

Fiber Optic Sensor for Concrete Repair



AI Overview

Fiber optic sensors (FOS) are highly effective tools for monitoring concrete structures, detecting cracks, and supporting repair strategies through precise, real-time measurements. Overview of Fiber Optic Sensors in Concrete Fiber optic sensors are thin optical fibers capable of detecting strain, temperature, and other structural changes in concrete. They are particularly suitable for concrete repair and monitoring because they are immune to electromagnetic interference, chemically resistant, lightweight, and capable of distributed sensing over long distances. FOS can be embedded directly into fresh concrete or installed on existing structures to monitor cracks, deformations, and environmental effects.

Types of Fiber Optic Sensors

Fiber Bragg Grating (FBG) Sensors: These are the most commonly used FOS in civil engineering. They measure strain and temperature by detecting shifts in the reflected light wavelength caused by structural changes. FBG sensors are cost-effective, easy to install, and allow multiplexing multiple sensors along a single fiber.

Long-Period Fiber Grating (LPFG) Sensors: Sensitive to refractive index changes, LPFG sensors are used for monitoring chemical changes or corrosion in concrete.

Distributed Fiber Optic Sensors (DFOS): These sensors provide continuous monitoring along the entire length of the fiber, enabling detection of cracks or strain over large areas of concrete structures.

Fiber Optic Extensometers: Designed to monitor single or multiple cracks, these sensors can be embedded in new concrete or applied to existing structures, providing reliable in-situ measurements over spans of several meters.

Advantages for Concrete Repair

High Sensitivity and Accuracy: FOS can detect micro-strains and small deformations that conventional sensors may miss.

Durability in Harsh Environments: Resistant to humidity, temperature fluctuations, and chemical attacks, making them ideal for bridges, tunnels, and dams.

Real-Time Monitoring: Enables continuous assessment of structural health, allowing timely int...

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Therefore, reliable monitoring tools for crack detection, localisation, and width estimation are crucial for accurate structural assessment.

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Fibre Optic Sensors (FOS) enable continuous and accurate monitoring of various parameters of concrete structures. These sensors are capable of measuring deformation,

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This study helps to advance the application of the smart DFOS for structural health monitoring and maintenance of concrete infrastructures.

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