FIBER OPTICAL SENSOR TECHNOLOGY

AT A GLANCE
- Fiber optical 3D shape sensors
- Fiber optical evaluation units
- Customized fiber Bragg gratings applying femtosecond laser technology

Features
- Small and light sensor system
- Immune against magnetic fields
- Integrable in existing systems
- Sensor constructed as disposal
- Applying new femtosecond laser production technique

Applications
- Medical Sector
  - heart catheters
  - medical endoscopes
  - colonoscopes
- Oil&Gas Industry
  - downhole monitoring
  - deepwater offshore field monitoring
- Maritime Sector
  - flexible cable monitoring
  - hydrophones
- Geological Sector
  - optical geophones
  - monitoring of landslides

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3D Shape Sensing Approach

Direct femtosecond laser based processing of Bragg gratings into the core and the cladding of an optical fiber makes it possible using just a single standard one core optical fiber for 3D shape monitoring with the advantage of no need for additional optics, the high mechanical flexibility of a single 125 or 80 μm fiber and the use of commercially available standard connectors and components that are well known from telecommunications.

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Demonstration: Precision Measurement

Reconstruction of the localization of a catheter tip – The mean absolute error is <1 mm.

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