

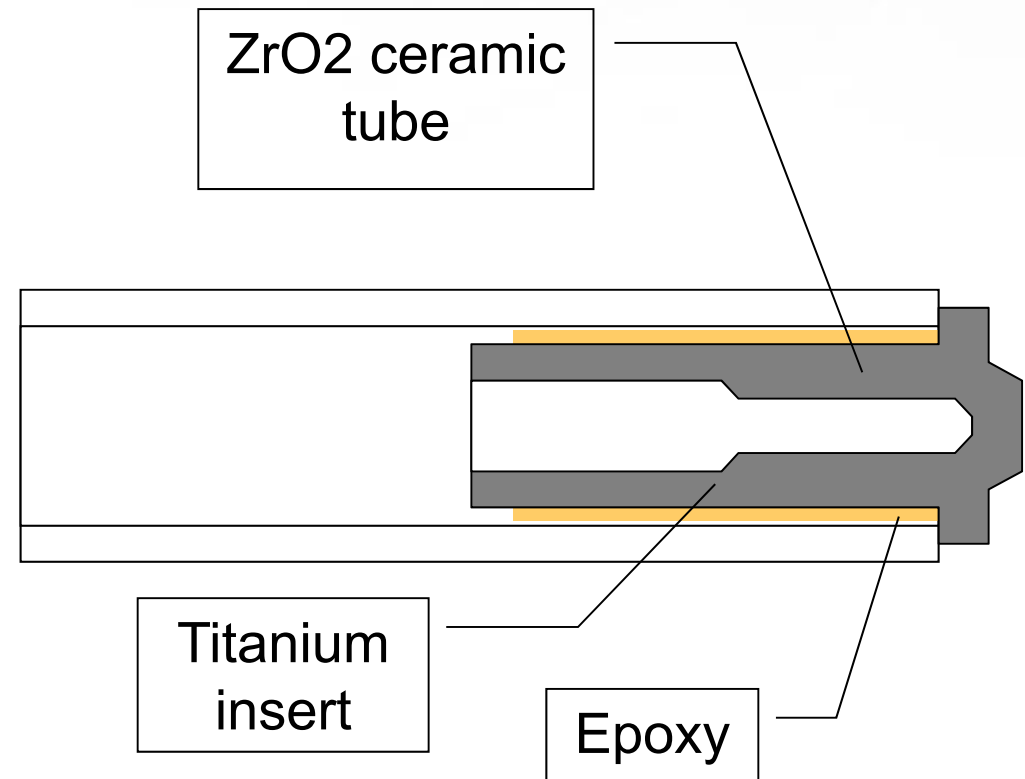
Multi-Fiber 2.5mm based ferrule

For Sensors, Medical, Space and Aeronautics custom applications



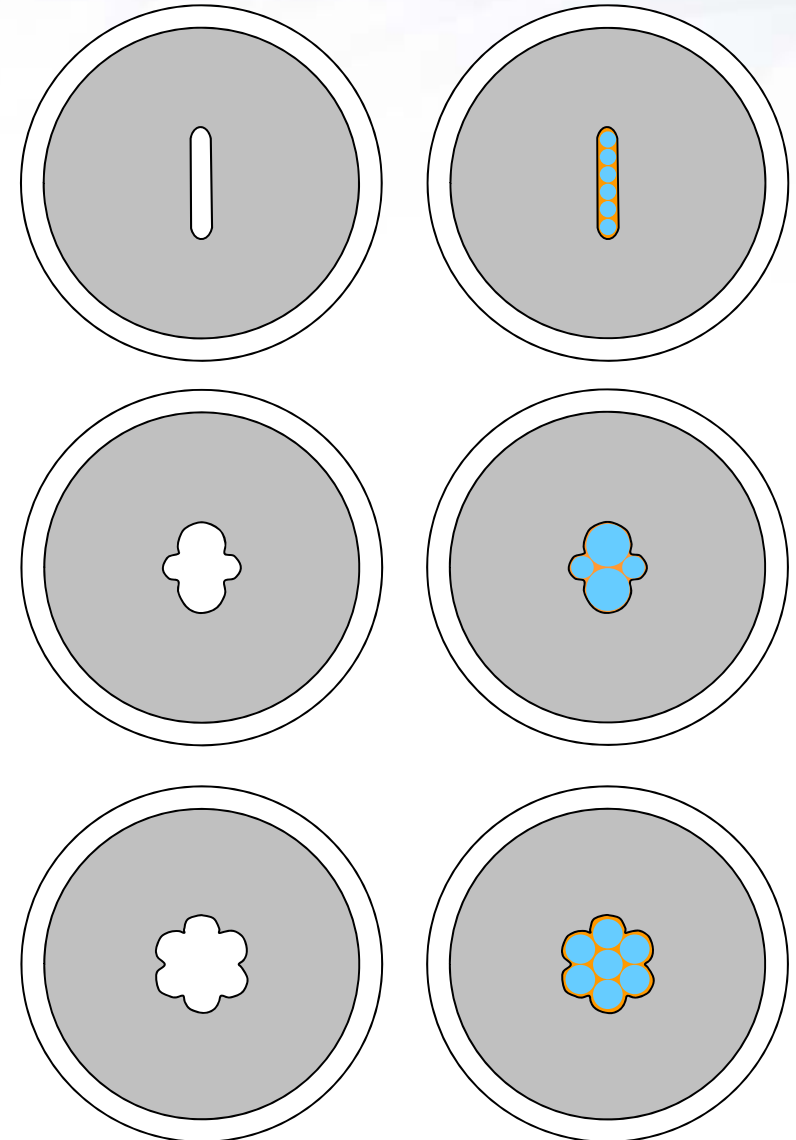
Ferrule base Technology

- Ceramic – Titanium insert ferrule
- Available on all standard connector
- Preferably used with simple DMI compact connector
- Requires orientation capability similar as PM connectors



Custom Ferrule hole drilling

- Ceramic-Titanium insert ferrule
- Metal monobloc ferrule upon request (stainless steel)
- Any shape size for 50 μ m to 600 μ m fiber available
- Shape form accuracy <3 μ m
- Shape form concentricity <5 μ m



Features and Benefits

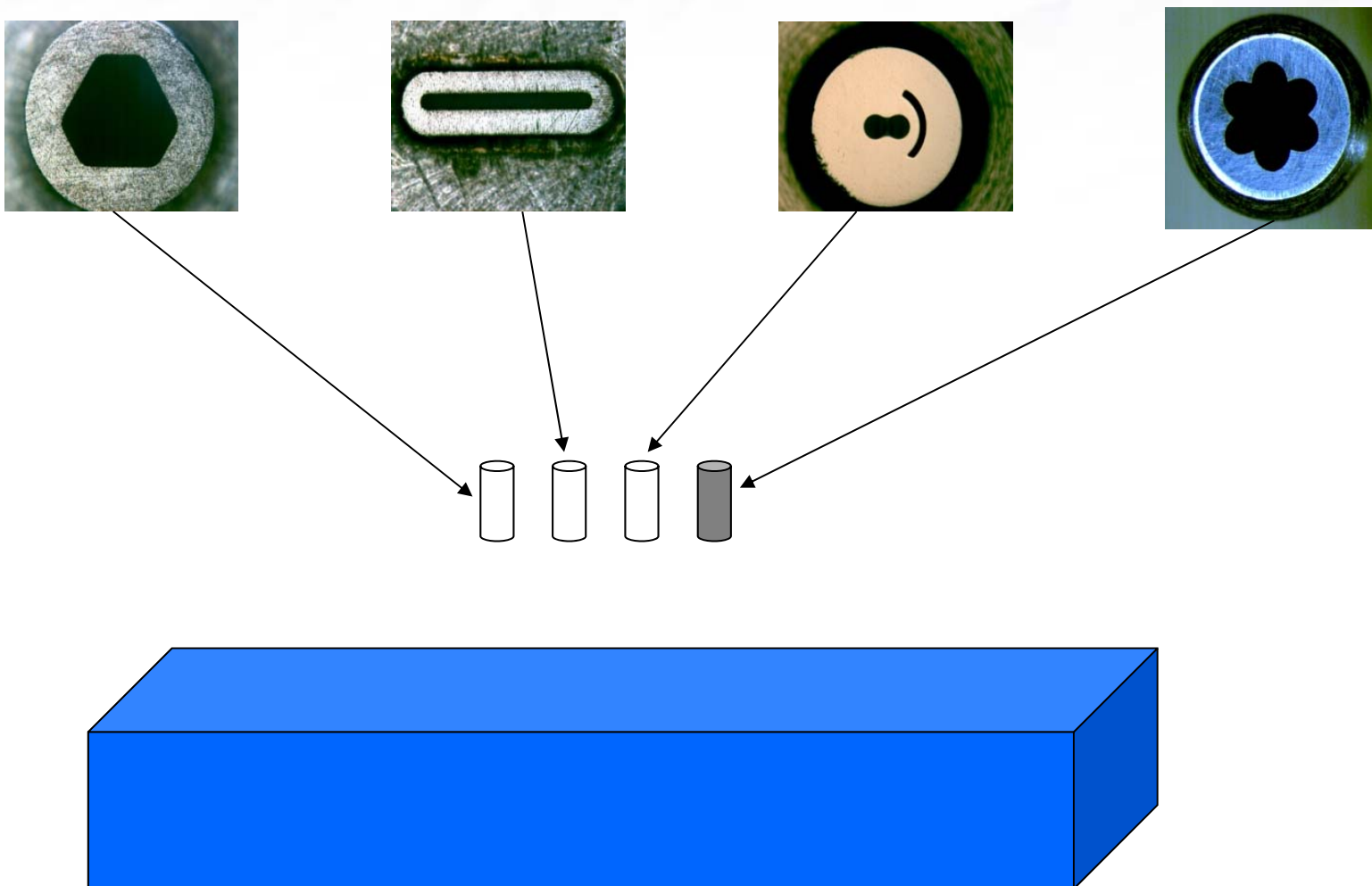
→ Features

- ▶ Accurate shapes
- ▶ Customizable shape for custom fibers
- ▶ Small CTE (7-10ppm/°C)

→ Benefits

- ▶ Compactness
- ▶ Use of standard connectors and processes
- ▶ Cost effective

Example of realization



Hyper spectral imaging in Space

- Each pixel of an image are measured through a spectrometer

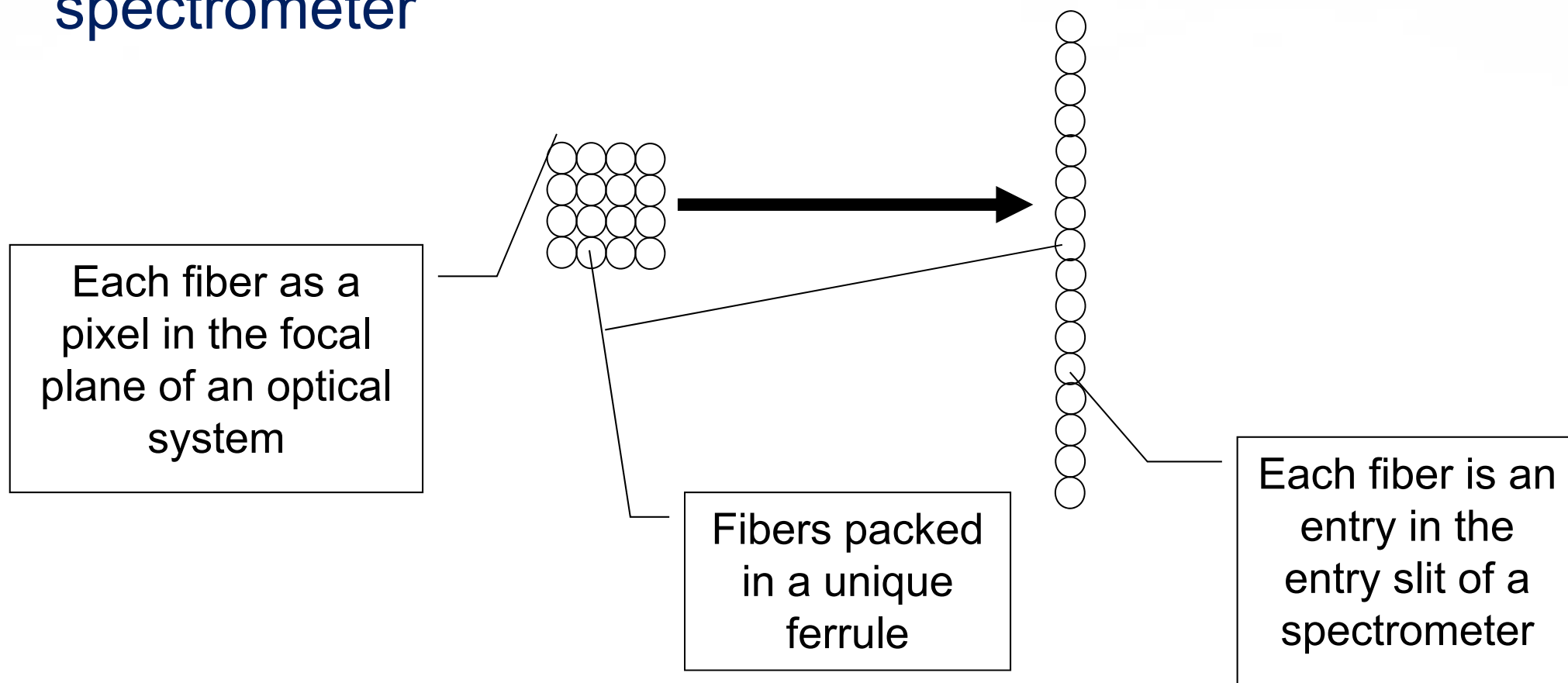
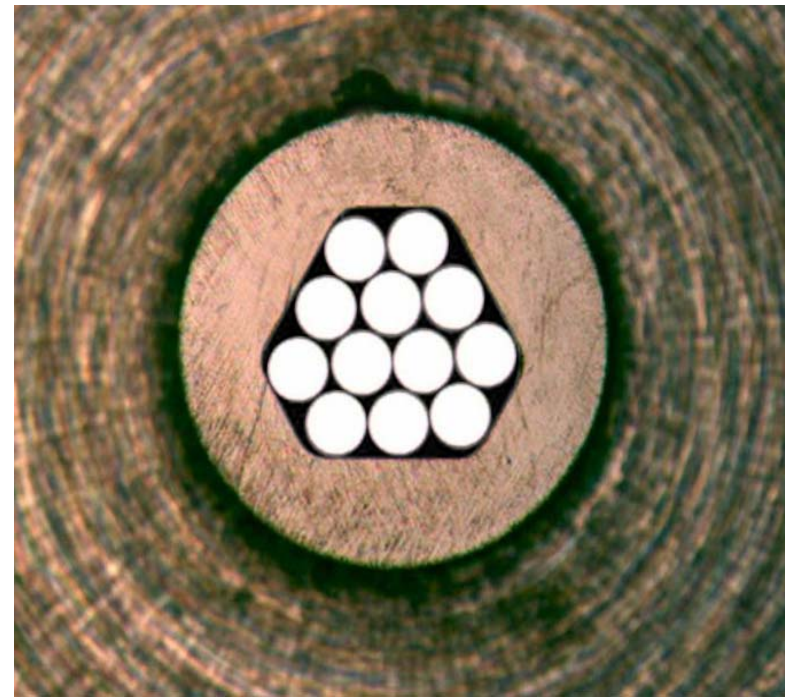


Image side

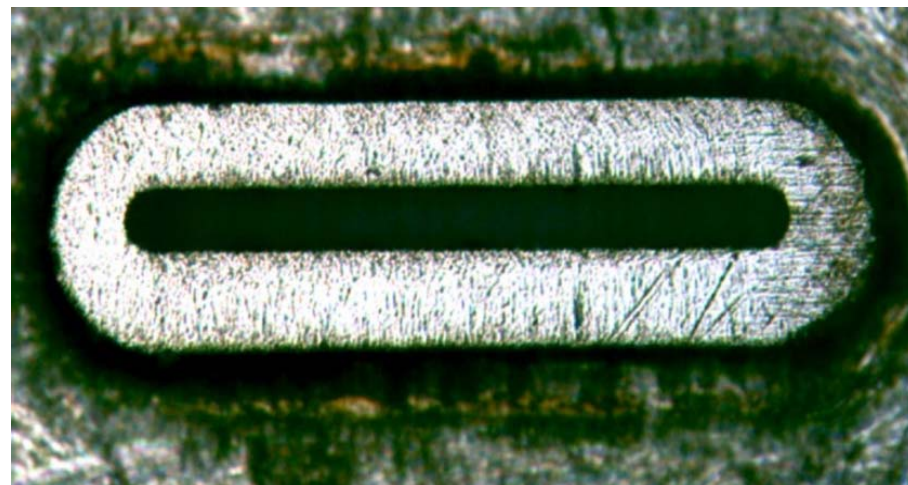
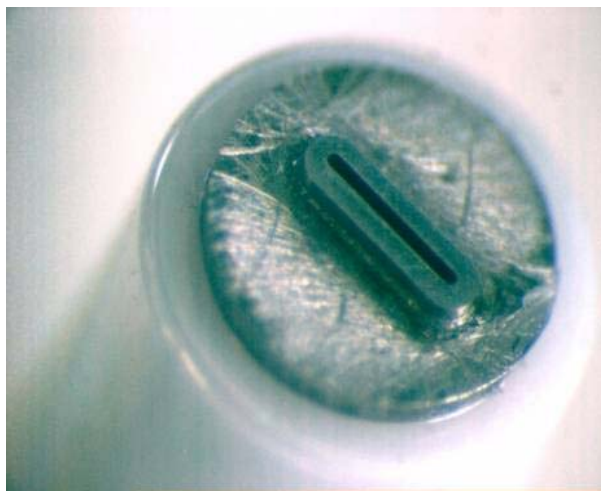
- Shape drilled to snugly fit 12 custom 70/77 fibers
- Shaped built to specification within microns of specs



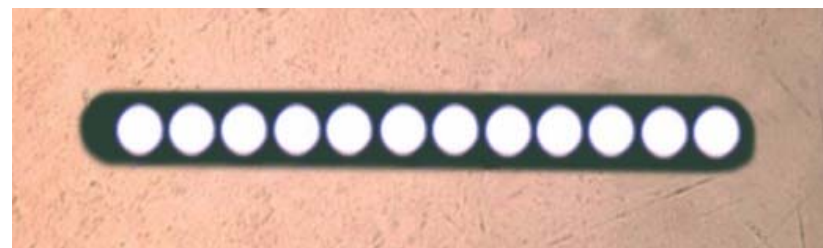
12x hex. fibers

Spectrum Analyzer side

- Shaped extremely difficult. Slit of $80\mu\text{m}$ width achieved with few microns accuracy
- Designed for 12 fibers $70/77\mu\text{m}$



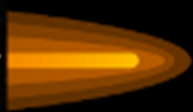
12x in-line fibers





Introduction

The Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter; The Laser Ranging Mission and the Lunar Orbiter Laser Altimeter



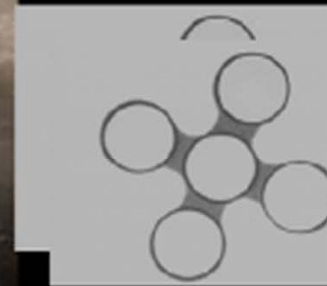
HGAS

Receiver Telescope mounted on antenna and a fiber array to route signal from HGAS to LOLA

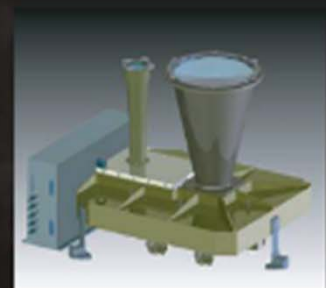
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LRO Fiber Optics LOLA Flight Assembly



Lunar Orbiter Laser Altimeter LOLA



<http://misspiggy.gsfc.nasa.gov/photonics> for more

Project: NASA LRO - LOLA

→ NASA Requirements

- ▶ Multi-fiber (used for redundancy)
- ▶ AVIM connector (long history in space)
- ▶ Seven large core fibers
- ▶ Orientation adjustable

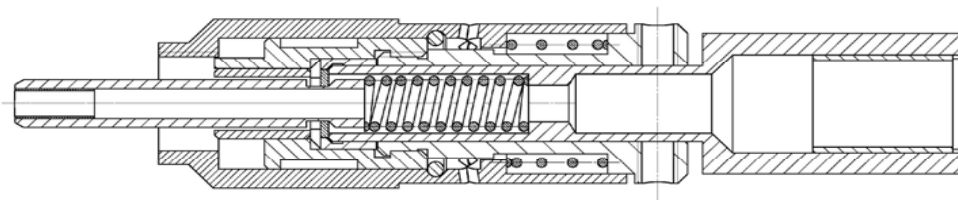
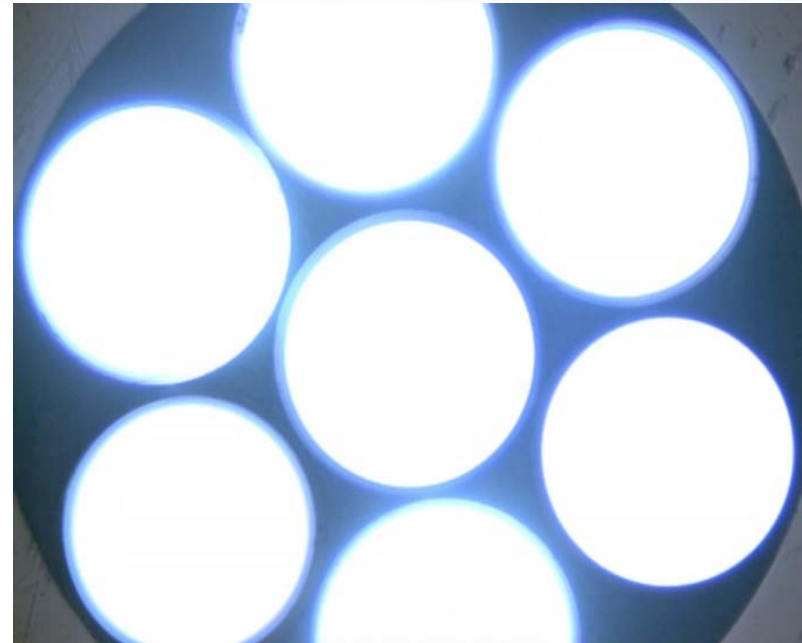
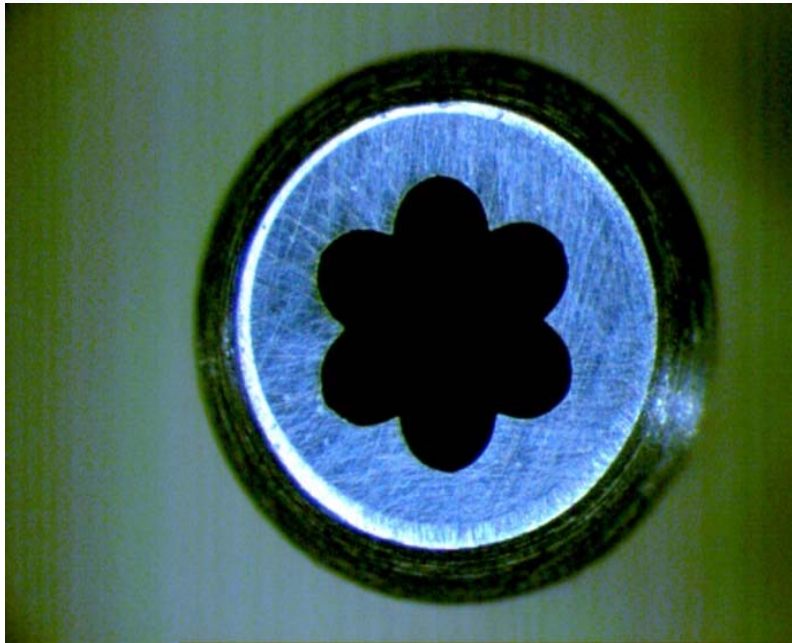
→ Diamond Solution

- ▶ AVIM PM in Stainless steel
- ▶ PM for rotational adjustments to orient the seven fibers with set screws
- ▶ Complete connector and custom ferrules built in several weeks
- ▶ Ferrule in low CTE Stainless steel



Developed for Melanie Ott, Photonics groups, NASA - Goddard SFC

Large core 7ch Low CTE steel ferrule



Custom AVIM for alignment capabilities

Duplex Ferrule

- Custom application
- Telecom FTTx application
- MM validated
- SM in progress

