



# COMMUNICATION AND NETWORKS



TRANSMISSION MEDIA

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MEDIA IS A  
MEDIUM OF  
DATA  
TRANSFER  
OVER A  
NETWORK



GUIDED MEDIA

*WIRED  
CONNECTION*



UNGUIDED  
MEDIA

WIRELESS  
CONNECTION

# GUIDED MEDIA

- TWISTED PAIR CABLE

- 1.UNSHIELDED TWISTED PAIR(UTP)

- 2.SHIELDED TWISTED PAIR(STP)

- COAXIAL CABLE

- OPTICAL FIBERS

# Twisted pair cable

- *Most popular network cabling*
- *Basis for most internal office telephone wiring*
- *Consists of two identical wires twisted along each other*
- *Twisting of wires reduces network errors*
- *The no.of.pairs in the cable depends on the type*
- *There are two types of twisted pair cabling :*
  - 1.Unshielded twisted pair*
  - 2.Shielded twisted pair*

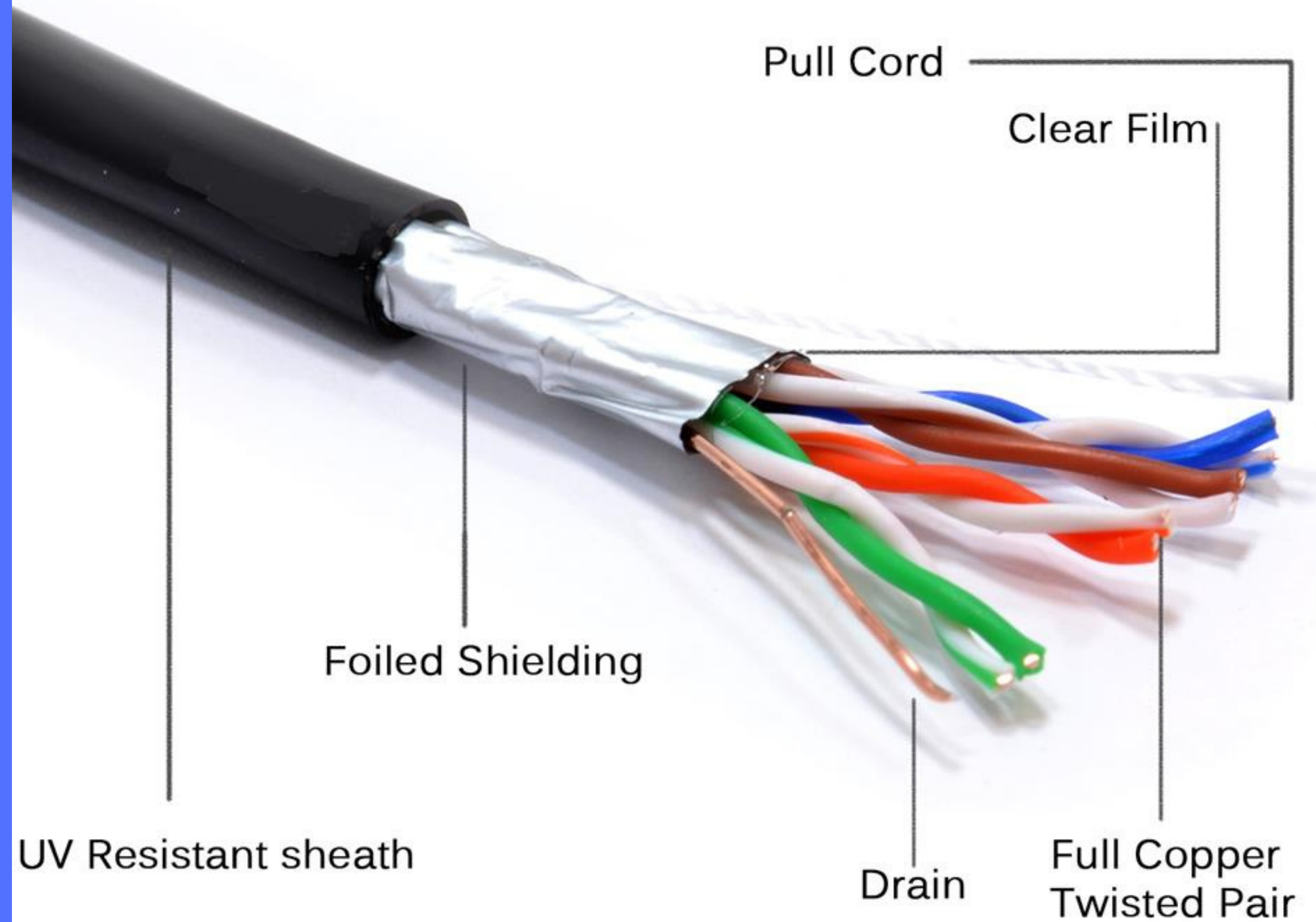
# 1.UNSHIELDED TWISTED PAIR

*USED FOR VARIETY OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS*

UTP Categories - Copper Cable				
UTP Category	Data Rate	Max. Length	Cable Type	Application
CAT1	Up to 1Mbps	-	Twisted Pair	Old Telephone Cable
CAT2	Up to 4Mbps	-	Twisted Pair	Token Ring Networks
CAT3	Up to 10Mbps	100m	Twisted Pair	Token Rink & 10BASE-T Ethernet
CAT4	Up to 16Mbps	100m	Twisted Pair	Token Ring Networks
CAT5	Up to 100Mbps	100m	Twisted Pair	Ethernet, FastEthernet, Token Ring
CAT5e	Up to 1 Gbps	100m	Twisted Pair	Ethernet, FastEthernet, Gigabit Ethernet
CAT6	Up to 10Gbps	100m	Twisted Pair	GigabitEthernet, 10G Ethernet (55 meters)
CAT6a	Up to 10Gbps	100m	Twisted Pair	GigabitEthernet, 10G Ethernet (55 meters)

# UTP

AS THE NAME WOULD IMPLY,  
THESE CABLES DO NOT HAVE  
INSULATION (SHIELDING)  
BETWEEN EACH OF THE PAIRED  
WIRES.

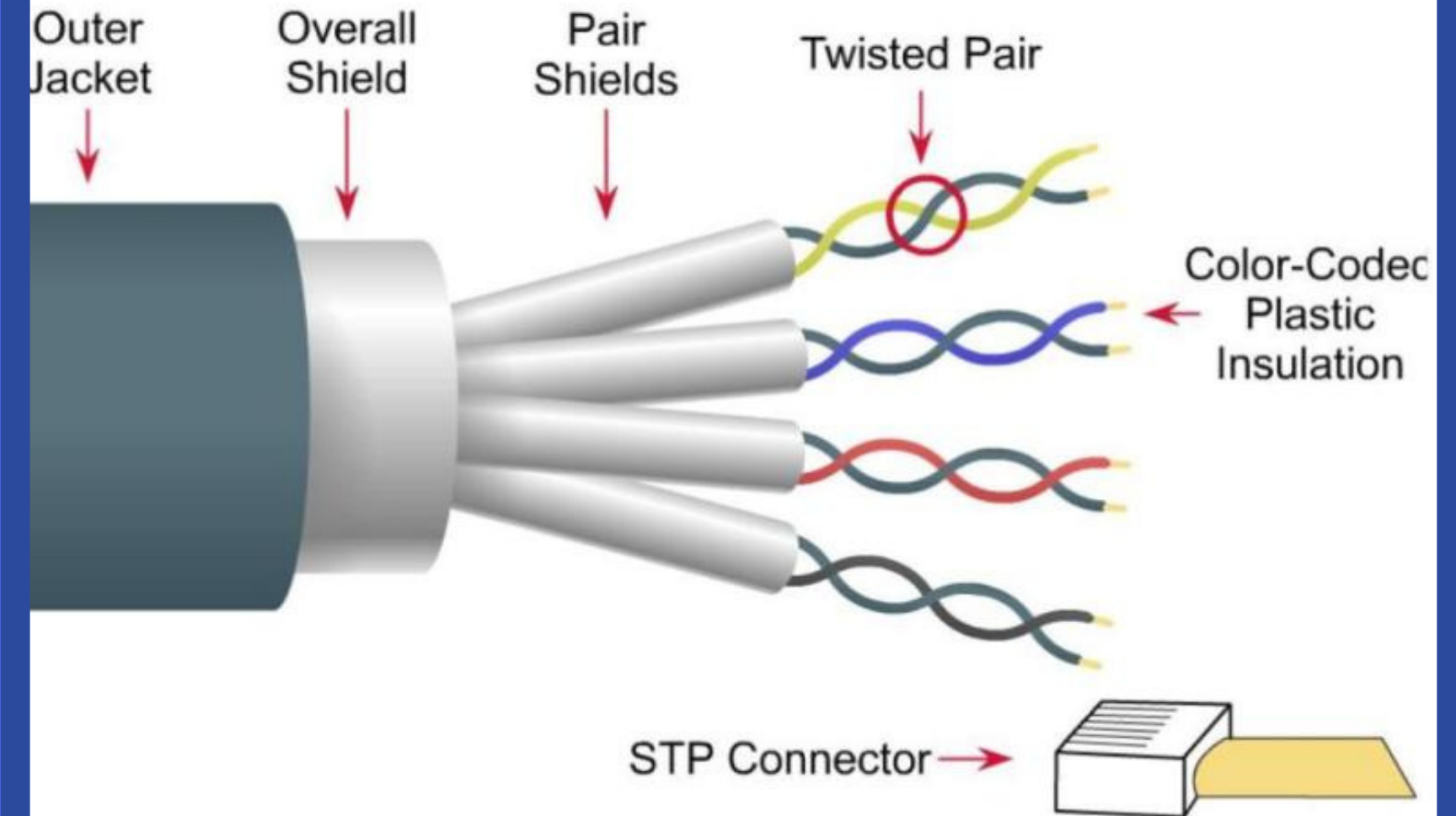




# STP

STP PAIR CABLE IS A PAIR OF WIRES WOUND AROUND EACH OTHER AND EACH PAIR IS PLACED INSIDE A PROTECTIVE FOIL WRAP TO PROTECT IT FROM CROSSTALK.

HEAVIER AND COSTLIER THAN UTP,REQUIRES PROPER GROUNDING AT BOTH ENDS



- Speed and throughput: 10-100 Mbps
- Cost per node: Moderately expensive
- Media and connector size: Medium to Large
- Maximum cable length: 100m (short)

**Shielded Twisted Pair Cable**

# ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES

## ADVANTAGES

- Simple*
- Flexible*
- Low weight*
- Inexpensive*
- Connected easily*
- Easy to install and maintain*

## DISADVANTAGES

- Incapable for long distance*
- Unsuitable for long distance*
- Supports maximum data rates  
1mbps without conditioning  
and 10mbps with conditioning*



# COAXIAL CABLE

Coaxial cable consist the following layers in its construction:

- 1.The copper conductor
- 2.Insulation layer of plastic foam
- 3.Shield of wire mesh tube or metallic foil
- 4.Outer shield of tough plastic

- HAS HIGH ELECTRONIC PROPERTIES

- SUITABLE FOR HIGH COMMUNICATION

- TRANSPORT MULTI-CHANNEL TELEVISION SIGNALS AROUND METROPOLIAN AREAS

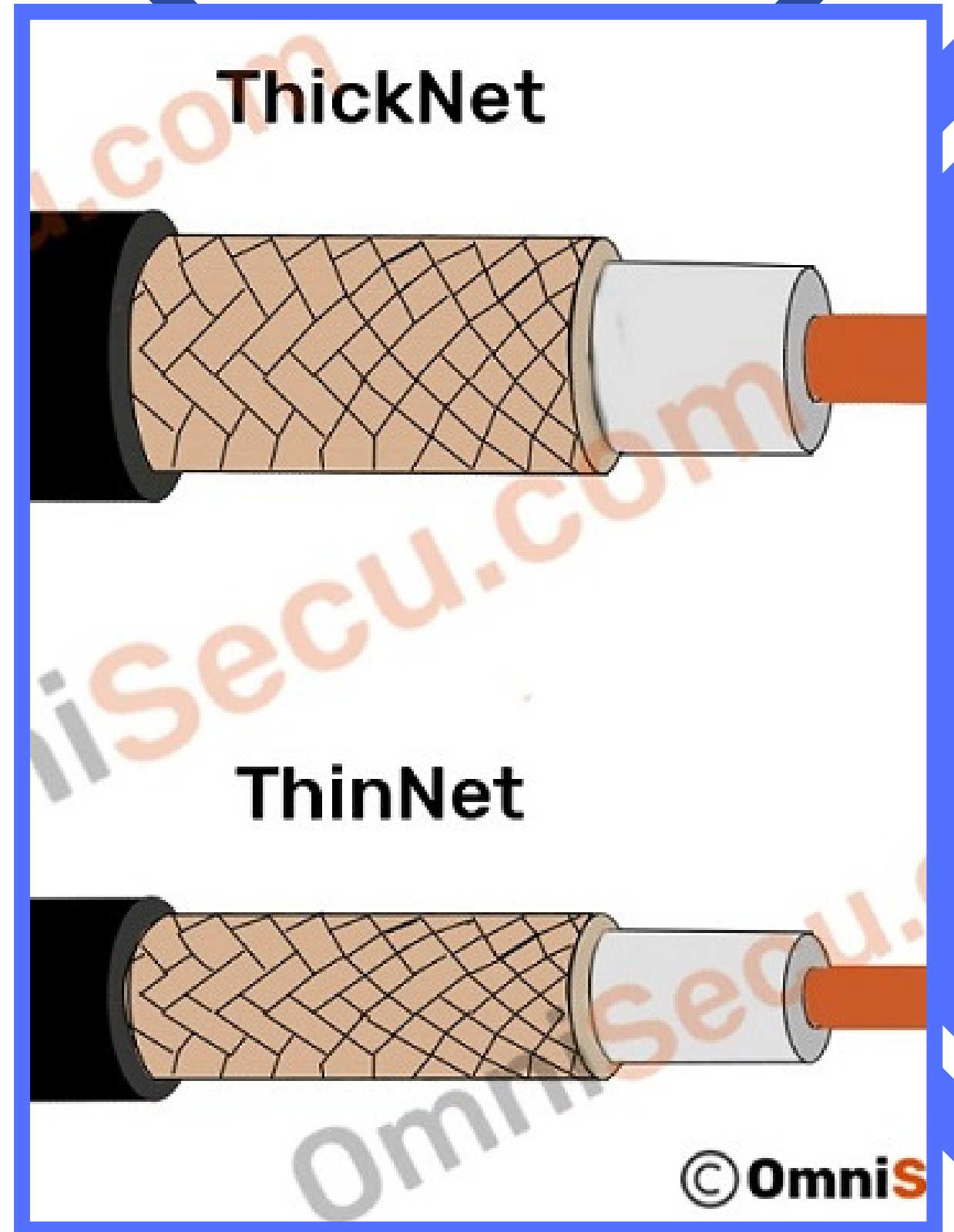
# TWO TYPES OF COAXIAL CABLE

## 1.THICKNET:

MAXIMUM SEGMENT LENGTH IS UP TO **500MTS** AND BANDWIDTH UP TO 10MBPS

## 2.THINNET:

MAXIMUM SEGMENT LENGTH IS UP TO **185MTS** AND BANDWIDTH UP TO 10MBPS





# ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES



## Advantages:

- BETTER DATA TRANSMISSION THAN TWISTED-PAIR CABLES
- USED AS SOURCE FOR SHARED CABLE NETWORK
- USED FOR BROADBAND TRANSMISSION
- HIGHER BANDWIDTH UP TO 400MBPS

## Disadvantages:

- SINGLE CABLE FAILURE CAN TAKE DOWN AN ENTIRE NETWORK
- EXPENSIVE
- NOT COMPATIBLE WITH TWISTED PAIR CABLES

# OPTICAL FIBERS

- USES ELECTRICAL SIGNALS TO TRANSMIT DATA
- IT USES LIGHT
- LIGHT ONLY MOVES IN ONE DIRECTION , FOR TWO WAY COMMUNICATION TO TAKE PLACE A SECOND CONNECTION MUST BE MADE BETWEEN THE TWO DEVICES

## Optical fiber

### core

- inner part where wave propagates

### cladding

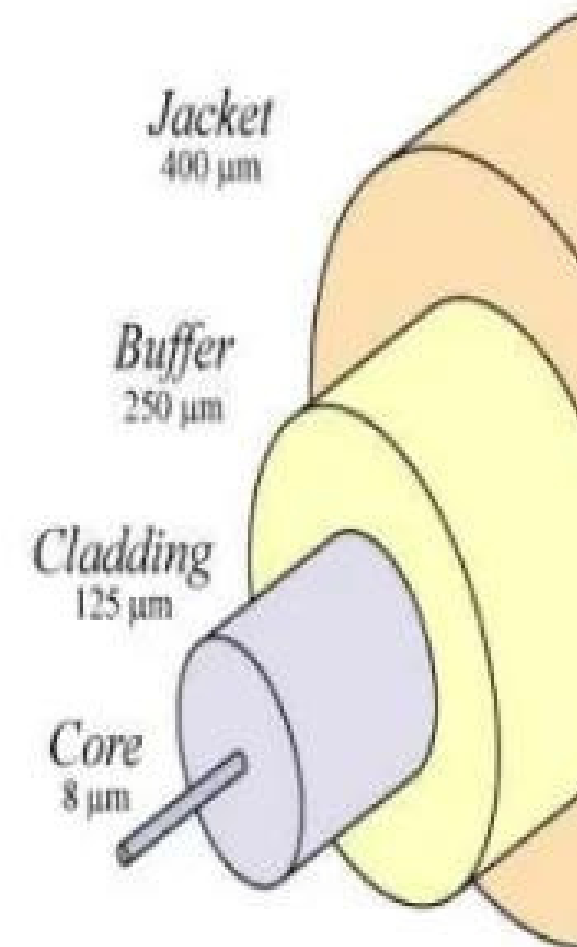
- outer part used to keep wave in core

### buffer

- protective coating

### jacket

- outer protective shield



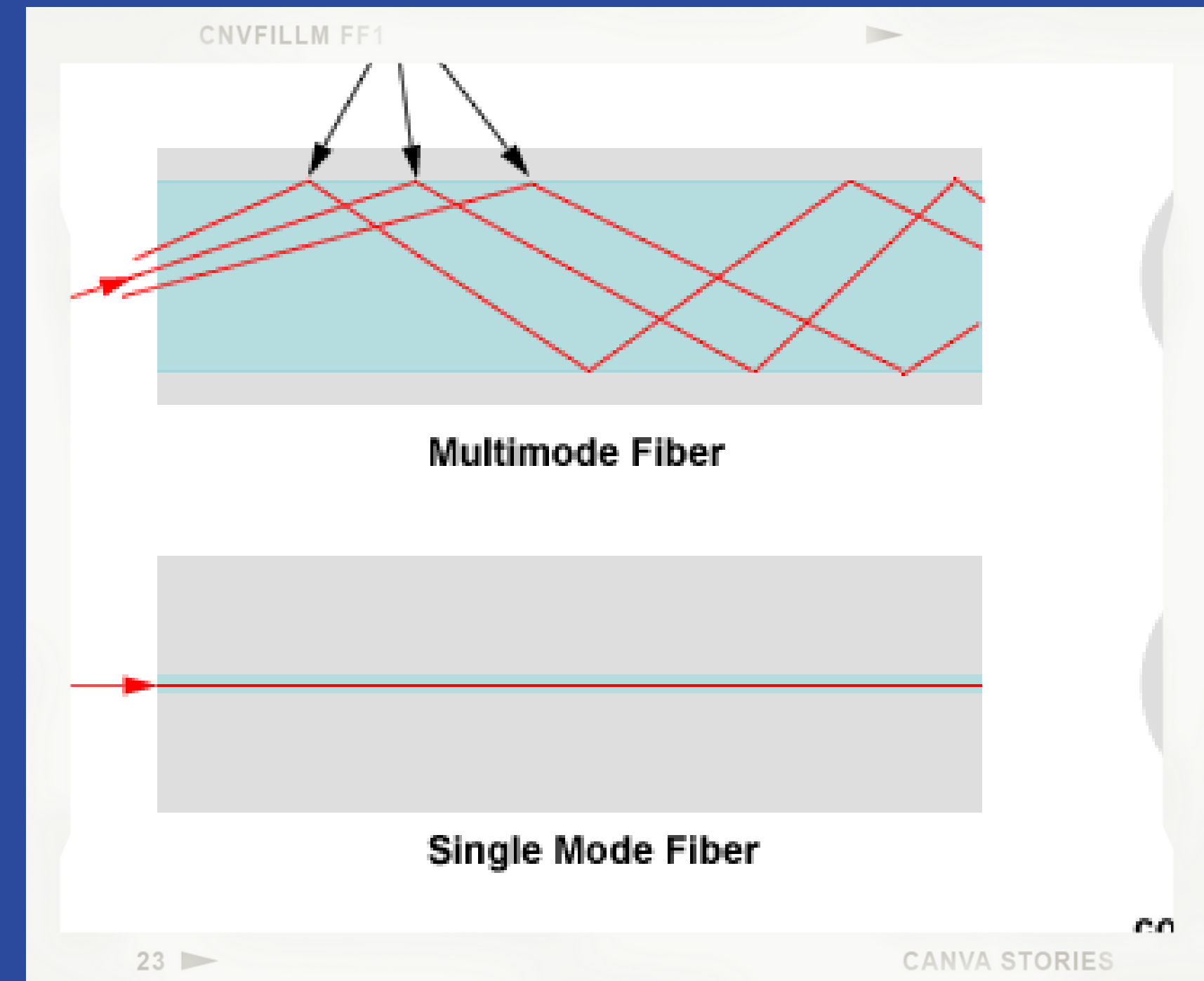
# TWO TYPES OF FIBER OPTIC CABLE

## 1. Single node

## 2. Multi-Node

MAXIMUM  
SEGMENT  
LENGTH UP TO  
100KMS AND  
BANDWIDTH UP  
TO 2GBPS

MAXIMUM  
SEGMENT LENGTH  
UP TO 2KMS AND  
BANDWIDTH UP  
TO 100MBPS



# Advantages:

- Secure transmission
- Low attenuation
- No EMI interference
- Very high transmission capacity
- Used for broadband transmission and possible to mix data transmission channels with channels for telescope,TV etc....

# Disadvantages:

- Expensive
- Hard to install
- Noise exception
- Connection loss
- Difficult to repair
- Difficult to connect to fibers