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Optical transmission systems and networks are vital fundamentals of the worldwide communication infrastructure. The ongoing provision of new services and larger data volumes to satisfy the demands of business and research yield new challenges for optical network design. The exponential growth of data service has led researchers to explore a range of new optical fibers and related technologies to replace standard single-mode fibers of commercial fiber systems. Optical fibers, as an enabling technology for telecommunications, are proving to play a central role in a growing number of modern technologies, including applications in defense and security, sensing, automotive, and biomedicine. Therefore, this Special Issue is intended for the presentation of new ideas and experimental results in the field of fiber optic design and optical communication from design and theory to its practical use.

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