



# SPINNER || FIBER OPTIC ROTARY JOINTS



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SPINNER is one of the leading manufacturers for high performance rotary joints worldwide. In particular fiber optic rotary joints require a high quality optical and mechanical fabrication environment. This qualifies SPINNER as integral supplier for fiber optic rotary joints. We provide the precision mechanics and all the optical parts from a single source.

Beyond this, SPINNER can offer combinations of fiber optic rotary joints together with RF rotary joints, non-contacting power transmission modules, slip rings, media joints or non-contacting data transmission.



## BENEFITS OF FIBER OPTIC CONNECTION

### Digital data transmission:

- up to 40 Gbit/s per channel
- Wavelength Division Multiplexing (WDM) allows transmission of multiple data channels over one fiber optic link
- high-grade configurability

### Analogue signal transmission:

- high sensitivity
- short-haul systems

### Fiber optic sensors:

- robust sensors in a widespread field of applications

### EMI free signal transmission

- optical fiber technology offers an excellent solution to overcome EMI problems

### Low weight components

- compared to conventional cabling by copper wires optical fibers reduce the system weight significantly

# FIBER OPTIC CORE FEATURES

## Optical performance parameter

- low insertion loss
- high return loss values
- low variation over rotation

## Optical parameter tracking over rotation

- narrow insertion loss band across all channels of a multichannel fiber optic rotary joint

## Fiber Type

- singlemode E9/125 µm
- multimode G50/125 µm (also G62.5/125 µm)
- specialized fibers possible e.g. for high temperature application or large core fibers

## Environmental conditions

- IP code protection for harsh environmental applications
- high temperature capability for implementation in RF systems
- hydrostatic pressure capability for deep-sea applications

| Connector type | Polish    | Single-mode | Multi-mode | Description                    |
|----------------|-----------|-------------|------------|--------------------------------|
| FC             | UPC       | x           |            |                                |
| FC / SC        | APC       | x           |            |                                |
| FC / SC        | PC        |             | x          | standard                       |
| LC             | UPC / APC | x           |            | standard                       |
| LC             | PC        |             | x          |                                |
| SMA            | PC        |             | x          |                                |
| E2000          | APC       | x           |            |                                |
| E2000          | PC        |             | x          |                                |
| MOLEX/LC       | UPC       | x           |            | IP67 protection class          |
| MOLEX/LC       | PC        |             | x          |                                |
| LuxCis         | APC / UPC | x           |            | rough environmental conditions |
| LuxCis         | PC        |             | x          |                                |
| Stratos S900   | N/A       | x           | x          |                                |

ALL FIBER OPTIC COMPONENTS MANUFACTURED IN CLEAN ROOM ENVIRONMENT ISO CLASS 7



## SINGLE CHANNEL FIBER OPTIC ROTARY JOINTS



The SPINNER single channel family covers a wide spectrum of rotary joint designs for various industrial and military applications.

**BN 549397** presents an extremely well performing fiber optic rotary joint with superior insertion loss values of  $\leq 1.0$  dB. The design allows flexible adjustments of connector type, fiber type and fiber length, based on customer requirements. The identical rotary joint housing type is applied in **BN 549397C0106** that is designed for extreme temperature applications from  $-55^{\circ}\text{C}$  ...  $+95^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

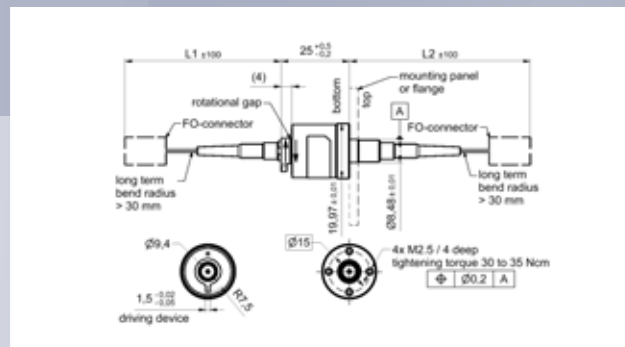
Beyond the standard fiber optic rotary joint pick-tail designs, we provide **BN 529013** with integrated F-SMA-f connectors for direct fiber connectivity.

Our latest members in the single channel family are **BN 549392** and **BN 549382** for single- and multimode applications. With these designs SPINNER is addressing industrial applications, demanding high lifetime paired with excellent insertion loss performance.

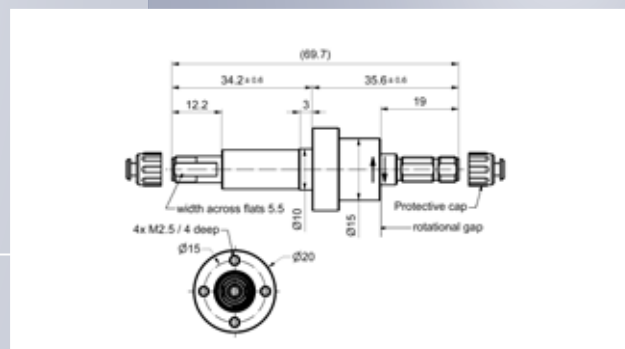
| Part number               | BN 549397         | BN 549397C0106    | BN 529013         | BN 549392         | BN 549382            |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Type                      | singlemode        | singlemode        | multimode         | singlemode        | multimode            |
| Connector type            | LC/APC            | LC/APC            | F-SMA-f           | LC/APC            | FC/PC                |
| Fiber type                | E9/125            | E9/125            | G50/125           | E9/125            | G50/125 or G62.5/125 |
| Wavelength [nm]           | 1310 / 1550       | 1310 / 1550       | 850 / 1550        | 1310 / 1550       | 850 / 1300           |
| Return loss, min.         | 55 dB             | 50 dB             | N/A               | 50 dB             | N/A                  |
| Insertion loss, max.      | 1.0 dB            | 3.0 dB            | 2.0 dB            | 1.5 dB            | 1.5 dB               |
| Insertion loss, WOW max.  | 0.5 dB            | 1.0 dB            | 1.0 dB            | 1.0 dB            | 0.5 dB               |
| IP protection level       | IP62              | IP62              | IP63              | IP54              | IP54                 |
| Ambient temperature range | -40 °C ... +85 °C | -55 °C ... +95 °C | -40 °C ... +85 °C | -40 °C ... +85 °C | -40 °C ... +85 °C    |
| Housing type              | 1                 | 1                 | 2                 | 3                 | 3                    |



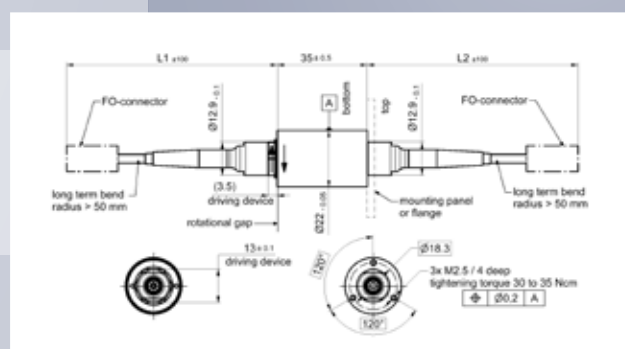
Housing type 1



Housing type 2



Housing type 3



## DUAL CHANNEL FIBER OPTIC ROTARY JOINTS

With the new dual channel fiber optic rotary joint **BN 549761** SPINNER meets the demand for a pure two channel single-mode rotary joint. The patented mechanics give a market leading compactness with a total length of just less than 90 mm and an outer diameter of only 28 mm with the resulting overall weight of less than 230 g. Moreover, we provide this rotary joint design as a multimode configuration **BN 549762**

The highly modular design approach allows customer specific flange modifications, connector types, fiber lengths and even the combined assembly of singlemode and multimode fibers. The dual channel fiber optic rotary joint has typically superior insertion loss values in the range of  $3 \text{ dB} \pm 0.75 \text{ dB}$  WOW and can be applied under rough temperature, vibration and shock conditions.

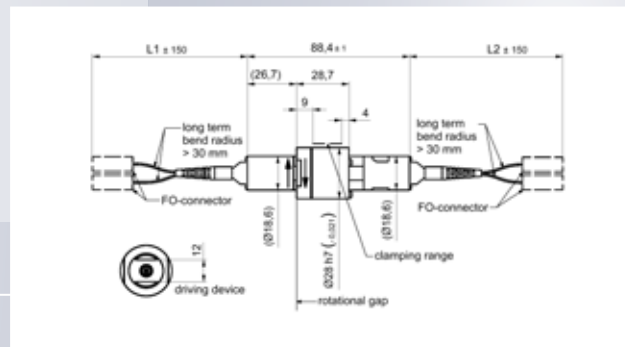
This optical rotary joint is the smallest available globally with two singlemode channels. With our patented design this proves that SPINNER is a world leader in innovative optical design.



|                           |                   |                      |
|---------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Part number               | BN 549761         | BN 549762            |
| Type                      | singlemode        | multimode            |
| Connector type            | LC/APC            | FC/PC                |
| Fiber type                | E9/125            | G50/125 or G62.5/125 |
| Wavelength [nm]           | 1310 / 1550       | 850 / 1300           |
| Return loss, min.         | 50 dB             | N/A                  |
| Insertion loss, max.      | 4.5 dB            | 4.5 dB               |
| Insertion loss, WOW max.  | 1.5 dB            | 1.5 dB               |
| IP protection level       | IP50              | IP50                 |
| Ambient temperature range | -40 °C ... +85 °C | -40 °C ... +85 °C    |
| Housing type              | 1                 | 1                    |



Housing type 1



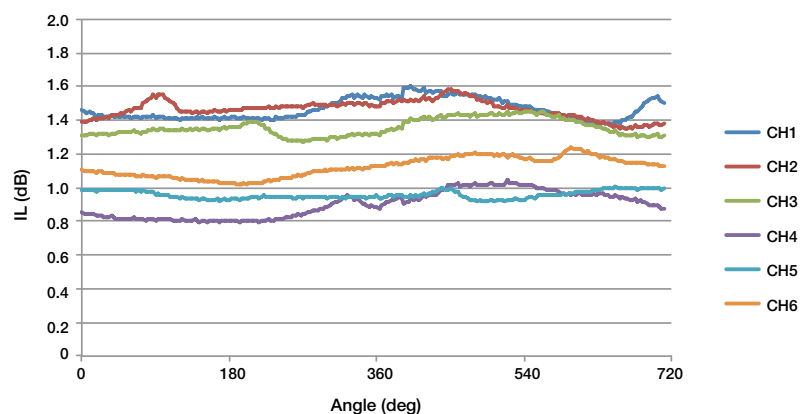
## MULTICHANNEL FIBER OPTIC ROTARY JOINTS



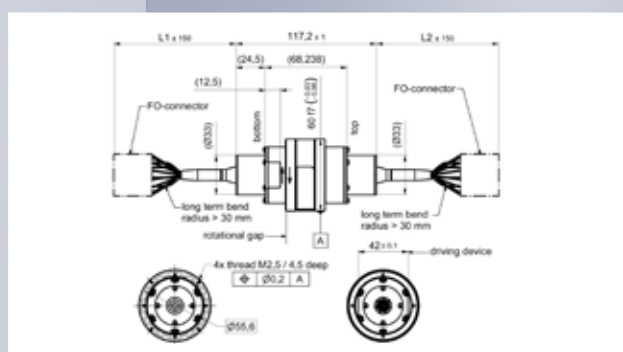
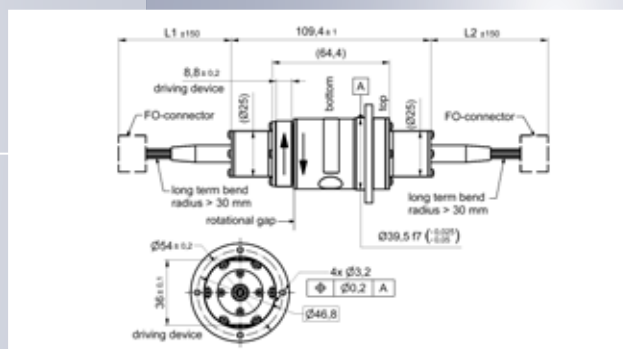
SPINNER's multichannel family is divided into two different housing types in order to provide the most compact solutions. The smallest solution can be flexibly assembled from 3 up to 6 fibers in singlemode **BN 549599**, multimode **BN 549760** or mixed fiber configuration. This is the most compact design available worldwide in its class – comes with an outer diameter of only 39.5 mm.

Beyond this, **BN 549758** and **BN 549748** covers the full range of multichannel rotary joints from 7 up to 20 channels, again in singlemode and multimode fiber configuration.

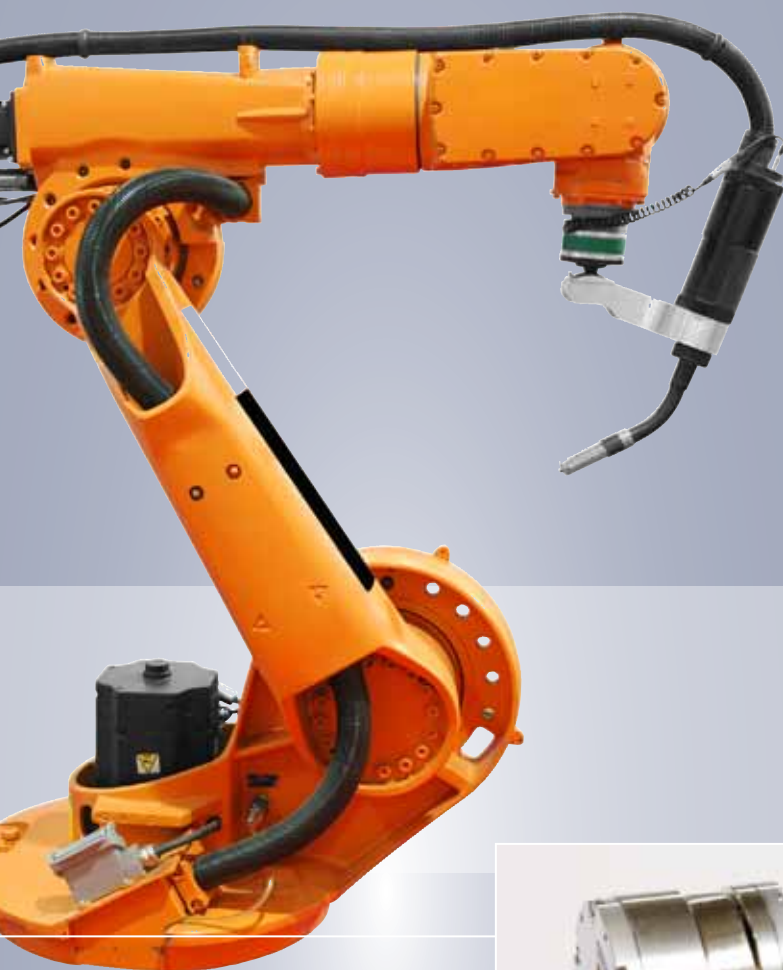
The multichannel rotary joints use a dove prism for de-rotating an image of the input fiber to allow coupling to the output fiber. On each single light propagation path SPINNER relies on discrete mounted collimators rather than applying an optical lense array. This technology allows individual adjustment and optimization of each optical fiber channel and results in superior optical parameter tracking performance amongst optical channels tailored as shown in the insertion loss tracking diagram below.



| Part number               | BN 549599         | BN 549760            | BN 549758         | BN 549748            |
|---------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Type                      | singlemode        | multimode            | singlemode        | multimode            |
| Channel count             | ≤ 6               | ≤ 6                  | ≤ 20              | ≤ 20                 |
| Connector type            | LC/APC            | FC/PC                | LC/APC            | FC/PC                |
| Fiber type                | E9/125            | G50/125 or G62.5/125 | E9/125            | G50/125 or G62.5/125 |
| Wavelength [nm]           | 1310/1550         | 850/1300             | 1310/1550         | 850/1300             |
| Return loss, min.         | 50 dB             | N/A                  | 50 dB             | N/A                  |
| Insertion loss, max.      | 3.5 dB            | 3.5 dB               | 3.5 dB            | 3.5 dB               |
| Insertion loss, WOW max.  | 1.5 dB            | 1.5 dB               | 1.5 dB            | 1.5 dB               |
| IP protection level       | IP50              | IP50                 | IP50              | IP50                 |
| Ambient temperature range | -40 °C ... +85 °C | -40 °C ... +85 °C    | -40 °C ... +85 °C | -40 °C ... +85 °C    |
| Housing type              | 1                 | 1                    | 2                 | 2                    |



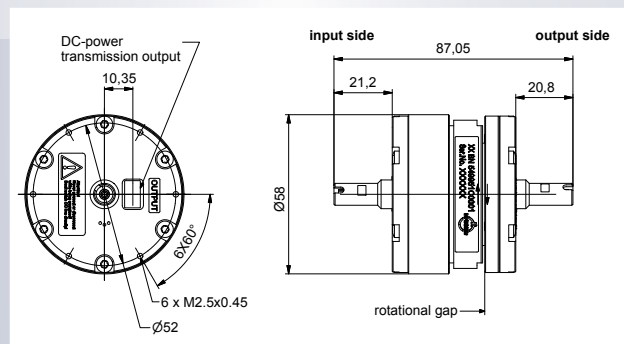
## APPLICATION | SINGLE CHANNEL FORJ + CONTACTLESS DC



For 24/7 long lifetime applications that require DC power and a high data throughput, SPINNER provides a fully non-contacting rotary joint system. With a compact form factor integrating the fibre optic channels into the DC Power module with rotation velocities up to 3000 rpms. This hybrid rotary joint is typically implemented into high end imaging systems and industrial machining applications.

The fibre optic transmission channel provide the highest flexibility with communications protocols and data channels enabled by wavelength division multiplexing (WDM) technologies. As an additional advantage of the new system, SPINNER has implemented FC/PC – adapters instead of flying cables. This allows ease of integration in rough environments without handling of sensitive optical fibers and possibility to choose connecting fiber types.

The nominal output voltage of this system is 24 V DC, however the applied technology allows flexible adoption to higher or lower voltage and current.



### Fiber optic channel characteristics

|                           |                                |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Interface type / material | FC/PC - adapter / copper alloy |
| Fiber type                | E9/125 singlemode              |
| Wavelength [nm]           | 1310 / 1550                    |
| Return loss, min. / typ.  | 30 dB / 37 dB                  |
| Insertion loss, max.      | 8 dB                           |
| Insertion loss, WOW max.  | 3 dB                           |
| Optical power, max.       | 200 mW / 23 dBm                |

### DC Power transmission channel characteristics

|                            |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Input voltage              | 21.6 to 27.6 V DC |
| Output voltage             | 24 V DC $\pm 3\%$ |
| Output current, continuous | 1.5 A             |



In the field of optogenetics, light is applied at different wavelengths to light-sensitive proteins in order to modify cell or tissue performance. With research conducted on freely moving mammals, the corresponding light output is applied in-situ via a glass fiber. To ensure that the freedom of movement is not limited, rotary joints are the optimum solution.

As an established supplier to the world of medical technology, for this application, SPINNER provides a robust, cost-effective and easy-to-use rotary joint with F-SMA or FC/PC connections for large core fibers with a core diameter starting from 200µm – **BN 549706**.

This rotary joint stands out due to its small operating torque and small insertion loss variation during rotation. Due to the design as a coupling joint a maximum configurability is possible, which means the user is themselves able to decide on which optical fiber type is used. The rapid changing of the fiber cable also enables the rapid changing of the test subject, as well as being able to continue to use the rotary joint with a different fiber standard at a later point in time.

|                                            |                                              |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <b>Part number</b>                         | <b>BN 549706</b>                             |
| <b>Interface type / material</b>           | F-SMA-f / cooper alloy                       |
| <b>Wavelength [nm]</b>                     | 400 - 2000 (depends on used fiber)           |
| <b>Insertion loss, max.</b>                | 2.0 dB (with 200 µm core fiber patch cables) |
| <b>Insertion loss, WOW max.</b>            | 0.5 dB (with 200 µm core fiber patch cables) |
| <b>Ambient temperature range operation</b> | -32 °C ... +71 °C                            |
| <b>Ambient temperature range storage</b>   | -40 °C ... +85 °C                            |

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