Relative Cost Analysis

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Investigation and Relative Cost Calculation & Comparison

Patch cord relative cost data were collected from the web.

All numbers were divided by this.

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### Fiber Termination Process Time Consideration

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Summary

- Connector is the dominant factor for both cords. Below 40m, relative cost of plastic fiber is lower.

- In the case of optical harness is prepared by Tier1 or Tier2, GI-POF’s shorter process time may have advantages in terms of fiber termination process.

As a result, expected relative cost of GI-POF is reasonably low.

This is only for reference information because connectors and jacket/buffer for automotive application will be different from the patch cord used for this comparison.