OPTICAL FIBER CABLE

ABSTRACT

Optical fiber ribbons (3a), (3b), (3c), (3d), and (3e) each comprise a plurality of optical fiber strands (13) bonded in parallel. In the optical fiber ribbons (3a), (3b), (3c), (3d), and (3e), adjacent optical fiber strands (13) are bonded by bonding sections (15) that are intermittently bonded at prescribed intervals. The positions of the bonding section (15) for all optical fiber ribbons (3a), (3b), (3c), (3d), and (3e) are mutually offset in the longitudinal direction. In other words, the longitudinal-direction positions of the bonding section (15) for the optical fiber ribbons (3a), (3b), (3c), (3d), and (3e) never exactly match.

Figure 3