PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF SILK FIBER : 1.Normally, the dry silk fiber has a tenacity varying from 2.4 to 5.1 grams per denier.Luster The silk fiber's triangular cross-section gives it excellent light reflection.Shape and appearance Silk filaments are approximately 900 – 1700 meters long.The diameter of the silk filament is from 9 to 11 microns.Tenacity: Silk fiber is extremely strong.A filament of silk is .stronger than an equal diameter filament of steel.2.3.4