

Interfaces on the fiber optic switch



Article Overview

Fiber optic switches typically use optical interfaces such as SC, LC, ST, and FC, often paired with modular transceivers like SFP or GBIC for connectivity.

Common Fiber Optic Interfaces

Fiber optic switches connect to networks through physical optical interfaces that allow light signals to pass efficiently. The most widely used interfaces include:

- SC (Subscriber Connector): Rectangular with a plug-in pin and latch, commonly used in industrial and gigabit switches for reliable high-speed transmission .
- LC (Lucent Connector): Compact, push-pull mechanism, ideal for high-density switch ports and SFP modules .
- ST (Straight Tip): Circular with a bayonet twist-lock, historically used in industrial networks but less common in modern high-speed switches .
- FC (Ferrule Connector): Metal sleeve with screw fastening, offering high stability and dust protection, often used in environments requiring robust connections .

Optical Modules

Fiber optic switches often use modular transceivers to interface with these connectors:

- SFP (Small Form-factor Pluggable): Compact, hot-swappable, supports Gigabit Ethernet, Fibre Channel, and SONET, commonly paired with LC connectors .
- GBIC (Gigabit Interface Converter): Larger than SFP, hot-swappable, typically pair...

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