

Connection cable between switch and fiber optic terminal



AI Overview

Fiber optic cables connect terminals to switches using specific connectors and modules, ensuring minimal signal loss and compatibility with network equipment.

Connector Types and Fiber Modes

Fiber optic cables use connectors to link terminals and switches. Common connector types include:

- SC (Subscriber Connector):** Square-shaped, push-pull design, widely used in FTTH and data centers, with SC/APC variants for low return loss applications.
- LC (Lucent Connector):** Smaller 1.25mm ferrule, ideal for high-density switch ports, uses a latch mechanism similar to RJ45.
- MT-RJ:** Compact duplex connector used for 100BASE-FX multimode fiber connections.
- ST (Straight Tip):** Bayonet-style connector, often used in legacy networks.

Cables are categorized as single-mode (SMF) for long-distance, high-bandwidth applications, or multimode (MMF) for shorter distances and lower-cost deployments.

Switch Connection Considerations

Network switches, such as the Cisco Catalyst 3750, support fiber connections via:

- SFP (Small Form-factor Pluggable) modules:** Hot-swappable modules for fiber or copper uplinks, compatible with SC or LC connectors.
- XENPAK modules:** Used for 10-Gigabit fiber connections, typically with SC connectors.
- 100BASE-FX ports:** Use MT-RJ connectors with 50/125 or 62.5/125-micron multimode fiber.

To connect a switch to a terminal or patch panel, you typically use pre-terminated fiber patch cables or custom assemblies with the appropriate connector type and fiber mode.

Cable Types and Deployment

Fiber optic cables for terminal-to-switch connections include:

- Patch cords:** Short, flexible cables for connecting switch ports to panels or terminals.
- Trunk cables:** Multi-fiber cables for backbone connections between switches and distribution panels.
- Breakout harnesses:** Multi-fiber cables split into individual connectors for high-density applications.

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Small Form-factor Pluggable

Small Form-factor Pluggable connected to a pair of fiber-optic cables Small Form-factor Pluggable (SFP) is a compact, hot-pluggable network interface module

Connector and Cable Specifications

The supplied RJ-45-to-DB-9 adapter cable is used to connect the console port of the switch to a console PC. You need to provide a RJ-45-to-DB-25 female DTE adapter if you want to connect the switch

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Internet access

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Most modern fiber-enabled network switches require an SFP transceiver module featuring a duplex (two strand) multimode OM3 or duplex single mode OS2 connection with LC connectors. Direct attach

Optical networks

An optical transport network is a high-speed communication system that sends light signals over fiber-optic cables to move large amounts of data across long distances.

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Lucent ConnectorsStandard ConnectorsSt ConnectorsFerrule CORE ConnectorsMulti-Position ConnectorsMT-RJ ConnectorsLucent Connectors, typically known as LC connectors, were developed by Lucent Technologies as a small form factor solution to fiber optic connections. They have some of the smallest ferrules at just 1.25mm thick, making them a small-form-factor fiber connector type. Their size, square shape, and duplex header design make them ideal for heavily pSee more on cablematters
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Choose an SFP module based on the fiber optic cabling that will be connected to the network switches. SFP transceiver modules almost always require two fiber optic

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