

Small optical module switch



AI Overview

Small optical switches with integrated modules are available in compact MEMS-based designs, offering low insertion loss, high reliability, and multiple port configurations suitable for PCB integration and fiber-optic networks.

Overview Small optical switches combine a switching mechanism with an integrated optical module, allowing light signals to be routed between multiple fiber ports in a compact form factor. These switches are widely used in telecommunications, optical network testing, instrumentation, and OEM applications. MEMS (Micro-Electro-Mechanical Systems) technology is commonly employed to achieve miniaturization, low insertion loss, and long-term stability.

Key Features

- Port Configurations:** Available in 1xN, 2xN, and NxM configurations, supporting up to hundreds of optical ports in matrix or tree structures.
- Insertion Loss:** Typically ranges from 0.2 dB to 2.5 dB, depending on the switch type and wavelength.
- Switching Speed:** Response times vary from nanoseconds for high-speed MEMS switches to milliseconds for compact coaxial designs.
- Control Interfaces:** Options include UART, I2C/SMBus, parallel, Ethernet, TTL, USB, and RS232, enabling easy integration into automated systems.
- Reliability:** Hermetically sealed MEMS mirrors and laser-welded fiber collimators ensure long-term stability, low crosstalk, and broad temperature tolerance.
- Compact Form Factor:** Miniature packages (e.g., 7 x 40 mm driver boards) allow direct PCB mounting and integration into small optical systems.

Applications

- Telecom and Optical Networks:** Switching, reconfiguration, protection, and restoration of fiber-optic links.
- Test and Measurement:** High-precision routing of optical signals in laboratory or field instruments.
- OEM Integration:** Compact switches are suitable for medical devices, quantum computing, undersea cables, and aerospace applications.

Examples of Small Optical Switches

- Sercalo SC Series:** Coaxial MEMS switches with 1xN or 2xN ports, hermetically sealed, low insertion loss, and suitable for PCB mounting.
- Agiltron Miniature Switches:** Fast, small optical switches...

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Product PortfolioAMS Technologies carries a broad range of MEMS-based fiber optic switches in miniature, PCB-mountable, module, benchtop and rackmount

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Everything You Need to Know About Optical Modules

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Optical Switches, MEMS Optical Switches, Magneto

GLSUN designs and manufactures all types of mechanical optical switches, MEMS 1xN optical switches and magneto optical switches with low insertion loss, fast

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Quad Small Form-factor Pluggable Double Density (QSFP-DD) solution that fits into high-density switch and router client ports for optical interconnect links

Micro Optical Switch

MEISU mini optical switch is the upgraded version of the regular mechanical optical switch with even smaller package size (L)20× (W)10.5× (H)8.0mm. With only a

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Optical module

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