

Connecting the optical module of the switch to the splitter



Article Overview

To connect a switch's optical module to a fiber optic splitter, use compatible SFP transceivers, ensure proper fiber type and polarity, and select the appropriate splitter type and split ratio for your network design.

Step 1: Choose the Correct Optical Module

Switches require SFP or SFP+ transceivers compatible with the splitter and fiber type. For example, in Cisco networks, CWDM or DWDM SFPs may be needed if using wavelength-specific splitters to create virtual fiber pairs. Ensure the switch firmware supports the chosen SFP module.

Step 2: Select the Appropriate Splitter

Optical splitters can be 1:N (e.g., 1:8, 1:16) and come in FBT (Fused Biconical Taper) or PLC (Planar Lightwave Circuit) types. PLC splitters are preferred for larger splits due to uniform power distribution. Decide on centralized or distributed splitting based on network layout: centralized splitters are in a central cabinet and allow jumper reconfiguration, while distributed splitters are closer to endpoints and typically fixed.

Step 3: Connect the Fiber

- Uplink Fiber: Connect the switch's TX port to the splitter's input port. Ensure the fiber type (single-mode or multi-mode) matches the SFP module specifications.
- Downlink Fibers: Connect the splitter's output ports to the edge switches or ONTs....

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