



Features

- Solid-State
- High speed
- Ultra-high reliability
- Low insertion loss
- Compact

Applications

- Optical blocking
- Configurable operation
- Instrumentation



The NSSB Series high-speed fiber optic switch features ultra-fast switching, exceptionally low optical loss, and high optical power handling in a turnkey rack-mount package with high-speed TTL SMA control inputs. Switching is achieved through a patented electro-optical configuration that delivers clean, ripple-free transitions, ensuring continuous operation for over 25 years with non-mechanical, ultra-high reliability. A non-blocking configuration is constructed using multiple NS 1×2 switches, all managed via five TTL pins for rapid routing among all possible light paths. The NS Series is intrinsically bidirectional and available in either polarization-independent or polarization-maintaining versions. Switching speed is defined by the crystal's rise/fall time, while the repetition rate depends on the tuned driver, with resonances limiting frequency response in certain bands. Each unit ships pre-mounted on a matched driver optimized for the intended operating range. Electrical power consumption varies with switching frequency.

Each switch driver includes a GUI for programming and a command set (API) so customers can develop their own control software. Python and LabVIEW interface libraries; integration support is available for a fee.

Specifications

Parameter	Min	Typical	Max	Unit
Central Wavelength	780		2000	nm
Insertion Loss ^[1]	1700~2300nm	0.8	1.8	dB
	1260~1650nm	9	10	dB
	960~1260nm	13	15	dB
	760~960nm	20	24	dB
Cross Talk On/Off Ratio ^[2]	20	25		dB
Durability	10 ¹⁴			cycles
Polarization Dependent Loss		0.20	0.35	dB
IL Temperature Dependency		0.25	0.5	dB
Polarization Mode Dispersion		0.1	0.3	ps
Return Loss	45	50		dB
Response Time (Rise, Fall)	30		300	ns
Repetition Rate ^[3]	DC	100		kHz
Optical Power Handling ^{[4], [5]}		0.3	20	W
Operating Temperature ^[6]	-5		45	°C
Storage Temperature	-40		85	°C

Notes:

[1]. Excluding connectors.

[2]. ±25nm.

[3]. Standard driver. High repetition rate (up to 300 kHz) is available with special circuit, please call us.

[4]. Defined at 1550nm. For the shorter wavelength, the handling power may be reduced. High power version (up to 5W) for 1310nm/1550nm is available; please call us for more information.

[5]. The maximum rating applies to the 1×N configuration. For N×1 applications, the maximum input power is the sum of the power from all input ports. The specified maximum value is valid for wavelengths above 1310 nm; at shorter wavelengths, the optical power handling is reduced due to the smaller mode field diameter.

[6]. The switches can be operated in a wider temperature range from as -10 to 70°C, but some performances such as on/off ratio will be degraded.

Note: The specifications provided are for general applications with a cost-effective approach. If you need to narrow or expand the tolerance, coverage, limit, or qualifications, please [click this link](#):

Warning: This is an OEM module designed for system integration. Do not touch the PCB by hand. The electrical static can kill the chips even without a power plug-in. Unpleasant electrical shock may also be felt. For laboratory use, please buy a Turnkey system.

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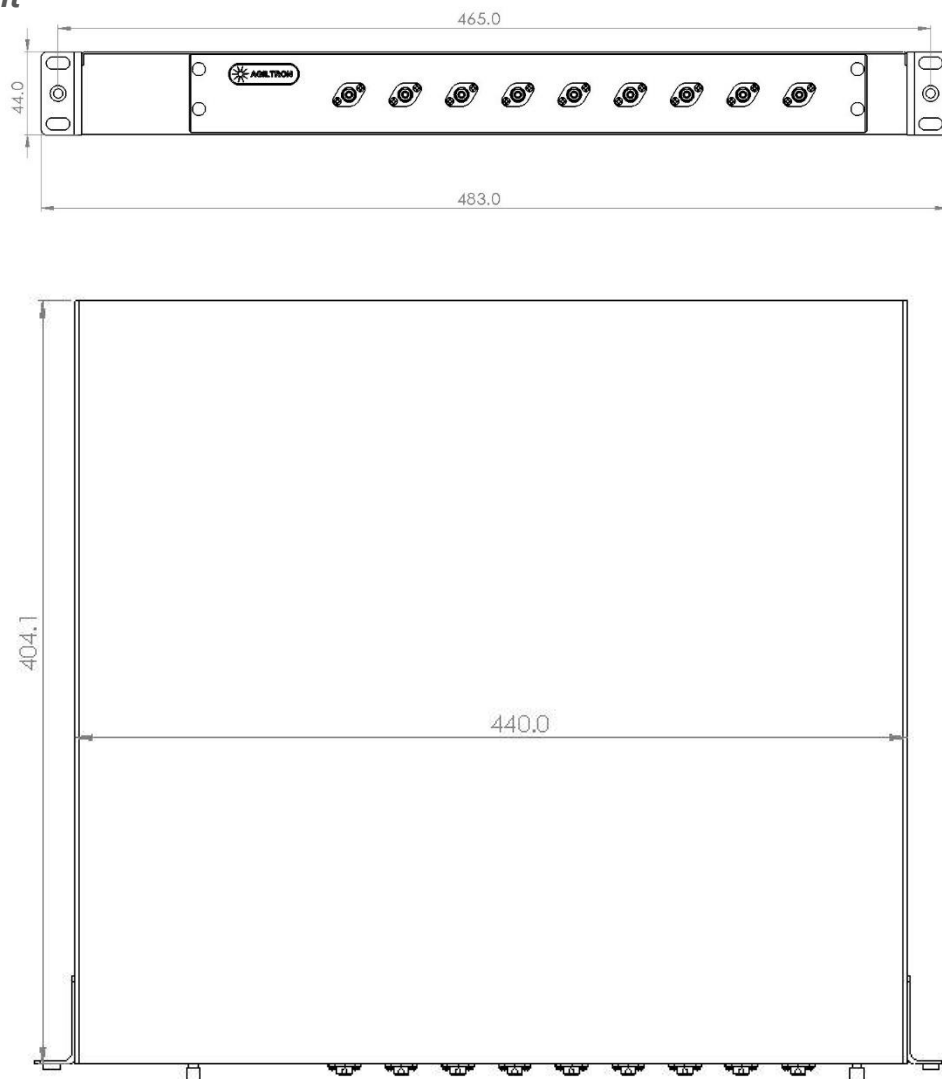
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Mechanical Dimensions (Unit: mm)

1U Rack Mount



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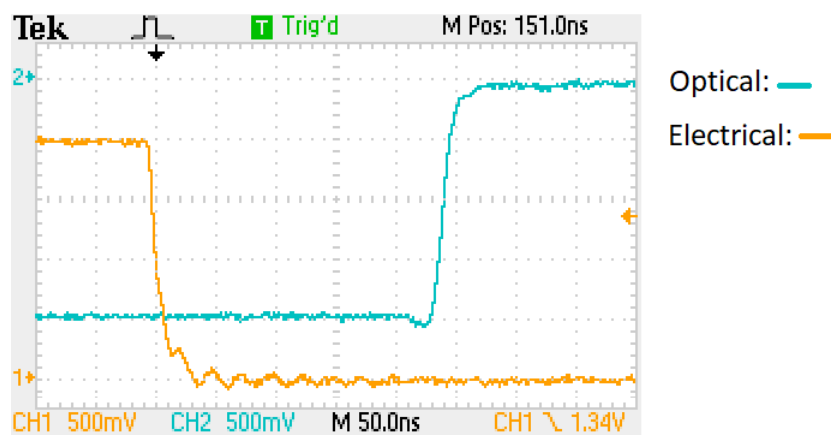
Optical Path

Driving Table:

Optical Path	SMA Connector Number				
	1	2	3	4	5
Input → Output 1					
Input → Output 2			+		
Input → Output 3		+			
Input → Output 4		+		+	
Input → Output 5	+				
Input → Output 6	+				+

Note: "+" 5 VDC

Typical Speed Response Measurement



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Ordering Information (Part Number)

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Prefix	Configuration	Wavelength	Repetition Rate	Fiber Type	Connector ^{[1][3]}	Optical Power	Interface Code ^[2]
NSSB-	1x8 = 108 1x16 = 116 1x32 = 132 Special = 0000	1060 = 1 2000 = 2 1310 = 3 1550 = 5 1625 = 6 1750 = A 780 = 7 850 = 8 650 = E Special = 0	100kHz = 1 200kHz = 2 300kHz = 3 500kHz = 5 1MHz = M	SMF-28 = 1 HI1060 = 2 HI780 = 7 PM1550 = 5 PM980 = 9 PM850 = 8 PM1310 = 3 MM50/125 ^[4] = M Special = 0	None = 1 FC/PC = 2 FC/APC = 3 SC/PC = 4 SC/APC = 5 ST/PC = 6 LC/PC = 7 LC/APC = 8 E2000 APC = 9 MPO = Y Special = 0	Regular = 1 1W = A 2W = B 5W = C 10W = D 20W = E	Non = N Python = P LabVIEW = L

[1]. Regular fiber connector has PER ~22dB. Connector with PER >27 dB is available using special process

[2]. GUI and a command set (API) are included. Python **\$560**. LabVIEW interface libraries **\$750**

[3]. The default connector configuration uses fiber with 0.9 mm buffer protection. The connector cannot be installed directly onto bare fiber because the bare fiber is prone to damage during shipping. However, the connector can be assembled on bare fiber if a 3 cm protective loose tube is added for reinforcement. The customer may remove this protective tube after testing. The optical power handling of a standard connector is less than 0.5 W for SMF-28 fiber and decreases further for smaller-core fibers.

[4]. For laser with mode fill ratio CPR <14

* Rack Mount Depth ~ 430mm.

Note:

☐ **PM1550** fiber works well for **1310nm**

Application Notes

Fiber Core Alignment

Note that the minimum attenuation for these devices depends on excellent core-to-core alignment when the connectors are mated. This is crucial for shorter wavelengths with smaller fiber core diameters that can increase the loss of many decibels above the specification if they are not perfectly aligned. Different vendors' connectors may not mate well with each other, especially for angled APC.

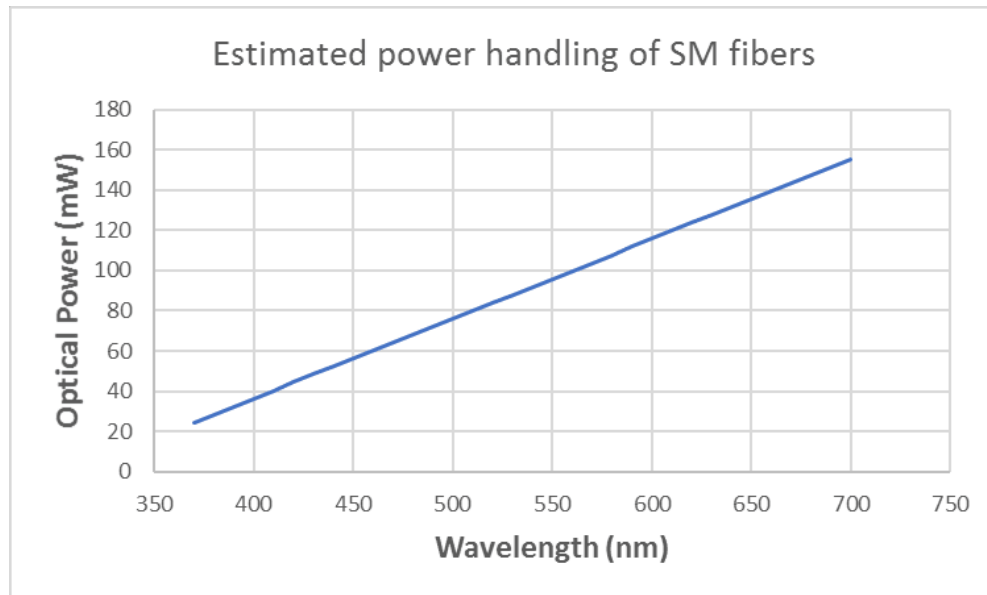
Fiber Cleanliness

Fibers with smaller core diameters (<5 µm) must be kept extremely clean, contamination at fiber-fiber interfaces, combined with the high optical power density, can lead to significant optical damage. This type of damage usually requires re-polishing or replacement of the connector.

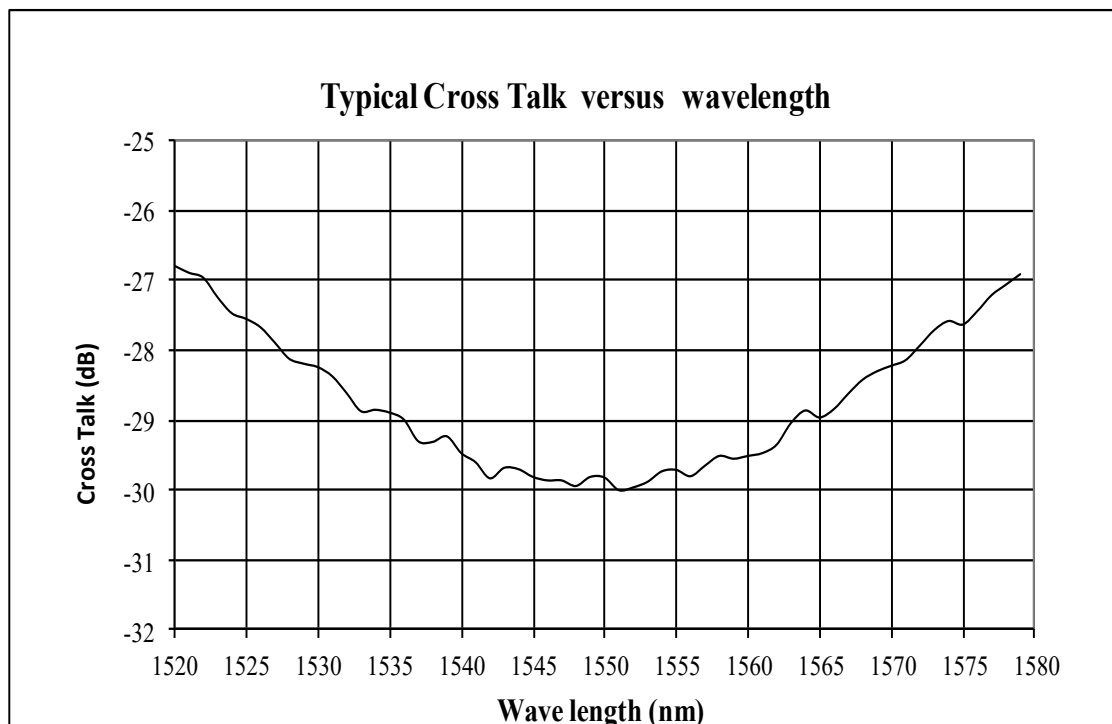
Maximum Optical Input Power

Due to their small fiber core diameters for short wavelength and high photon energies, the damage thresholds for device is substantially reduced than the common 1550nm fiber. To avoid damage to the exposed fiber end faces and internal components, the optical input power should never exceed 20 mW for wavelengths shorter 650nm. We produce a special version to increase the how handling by expanding the core side at the fiber ends.

Optical Power Handling vs Wavelength For Single-Mode Fibers



Typical Wavelength Dependence



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Ethernet Remote Control with Python

Several options: Telnet, HTTP/JSON API, or VISA Raw Socket mode (SCPI over TCP/IP)

```
#####
Telnet:

import telnetlib

HOST = "192.168.0.1"
PORT = 23

#####
username = "admin"
password="admin"
#####
tn=telnetlib.Telnet(HOST,PORT)

reply=tn.read_until(b"username:",timeout=10)
print(reply.decode("ascii"))#debug
tn.write(username.encode("ascii")+b"\r\n")

reply=tn.read_until(b"password:",timeout=10)
print(reply.decode("ascii"))#debug
tn.write(password.encode("ascii")+b"\r\n")

reply=tn.read_until(b"telnet>",timeout=10)
print(reply.decode("ascii"))#debug

tn.write(b"setswitch 31 32 0 0\r\n")
reply=tn.read_until(b"telnet>",timeout=10)
print(reply.decode("ascii"))#debug

tn.write(b"runswitch\r\n")
reply=tn.read_until(b"telnet>",timeout=10)
print(reply.decode("ascii"))#debug

tn.write(b"quit\r\n")

#####
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DATASHEET
Ethernet Remote Control with Python (ending)

Several options: Telnet, HTTP/JSON API, or VISA Raw Socket mode (SCPI over TCP/IP)

```
#####
API:
import requests

BASE_URL = "
TOKEN = "TOKEN"
def api_post(path, payload):
    r = requests.post(
        BASE_URL + path,
        json=payload,
        headers={"X-Auth-Token": TOKEN},
        timeout=3,
    )
    r.raise_for_status()
    return r.json()

def api_get(path):
    r = requests.get(
        BASE_URL + path,
        headers={"X-Auth-Token": TOKEN},
        timeout=3,
    )
    r.raise_for_status()
    return r.json()

# Set port 3
print(api_post("/api/set_permanent_port", {"port": 3}))
# Read status
print(api_get("/api/status"))

#####
pyVISA:
import pyvisa

HOST = "192.168.0.1"
TOKEN = "TOKEN"

rm = pyvisa.ResourceManager()

inst = rm.open_resource(f"TCPIP0::{HOST}::5025::SOCKET")
inst.read_termination = "\n"
inst.write_termination = "\n"
inst.timeout = 2000 # ms

print("IDN:", inst.query("*IDN?").strip())

# Set port
inst.write("SWITCH:PERMANENTPORT 3")
print("PORT?:", inst.query("SWITCH:PERMANENTPORT?").strip())

# Status
print("STATUS:", inst.query("SWITCH:STATUS?").strip())

#####
```