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Features

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

Applications

- Optical blocking
- Configurable operation
- Instrumentation

The NS Series dual-stage 1x1 solid-state fiber optic switch connects optical channels by redirecting an incoming optical signal into a selected output optical fiber. This is achieved using patent-pending non-mechanical configurations with solid-state all-crystal designs, eliminating the need for mechanical movement and organic materials. The dual-stage series of NS fiber-optic switches is designed to meet the demand of high cross-talk in addition to ultra-high reliability, fast response time, and continuous switching operation. The switch is intrinsically bidirectional and selectable for polarization-independent or polarization-maintain by the fiber type.

Agiltron's PCB driver listed on the web is recommended to operate this device, featuring high efficiency and low cost with 12V DC power and TTL control signal.

The rise/fall time is intrinsically related to the crystal properties, and the repetition rate is associated with the driver. There are poor frequency response sections due to the device resonances. The NS devices are shipped mounted on a tuned driver.

The NS series switches respond to a control signal with any arbitrary timing with frequency from DC up to MHz. The switch is usually mounted on a tuned driver before shipping. The electrical power consumption is related to the repetition rate at which the switch is operated.

The dual-stage configuration increases the extinction ratio or cross-talk value.

Specifications

Parameter		Min	Typical	Max	Unit
Central Wavelength [1]		960		1650	nm
Insertion Loss [2]	1260~1650nm		1.0	1.4	dB
	960~1100nm		1.2	1.6	dB
On-Off Ratio [3]		30	35	45	dB
Durability		10 ¹⁴			cycles
PDL (SMF Switch only)			0.2	0.35	dB
PMD (SMF Switch only)			0.1	0.3	ps
ER (PMF Switch only)		18	25		dB
IL Temperature Dependency			0.25	0.5	dB
Return Loss		45	50	60	dB
Response Time (Rise, Fall)		50		300	ns
Fiber Type		SMF-28, Panda PM, or equivalent			
Driver Repeat Rate	60kHz driver	DC	60		kHz
	300kHz driver	DC	300		kHz
Optical Power Handling ^[4]	Normal power switches		0.3	0.5	W
	High power switches		2	20	W
Operating Temperature		-5		70	°C
Storage Temperature		-40		85	°C

Notes

- [1] Operation bandwidth is ±25nm approximately at 1550nm. The wavelength shorter than 960nm can be implemented in the special version, please check our premium (NP) or Ultra-fast (NF) series.
- [2] Measured without connectors. Wavelength with red color can be implemented in the special version.
- [3] ±25nm, Measured at 10kHz repeat rate. For the higher repeat rate, the on-off ratio may be degraded.
- [4] Defined at 1310nm/1550nm. For the shorter wavelength, the handling power may be reduced, please contact us for more information.

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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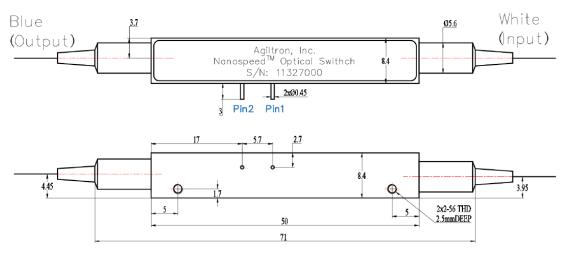


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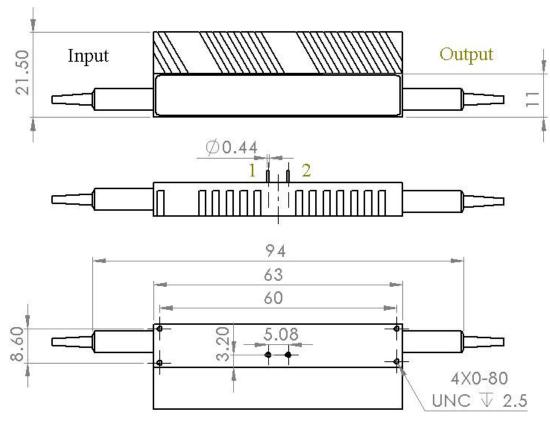


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Mechanical Dimensions (mm)



Regular power <= 0.5W



High power (1W ~2W) package

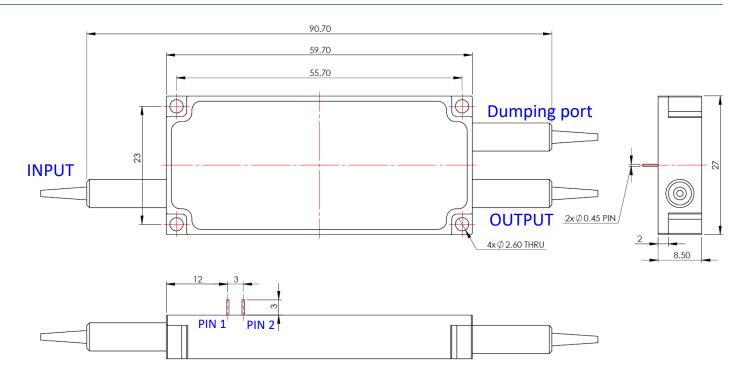
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Mechanical Dimensions (mm)



High power (5W ~10W) package

Optical Path Driving Table

Optical Path	TTL with Driver	Direct Driving				
ON for normal-open or OFF for normal-dark	L (< 0.8V)	0V on PIN 1	OV on DIN 2			
OFF for normal-open or ON for normal-dark	H (> 3.5V)	HV on PIN 1	OV on PIN 2			
HV: 360 ~420V						

Driving Board Selection

Maximum Repetition Rate	Part Number (P/N)		
60 kHz	NSSW100ns100kHzD		
300 kHz	NSSW100ns300kHzD		

^{*} Note: For customers that prefer to design their own driving circuit, they are responsible for the optical performance. For more technical information, please contact us.



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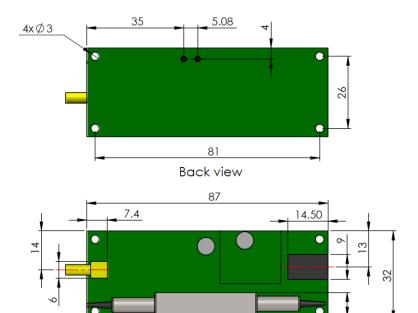
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Mechanical Dimensions (mm)

TBD

High power (>10W) package

Mechanical Dimensions, mounting on 100kHz driver (mm)



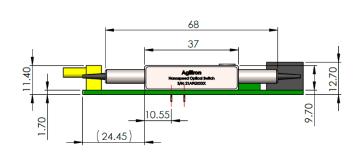


Illustration only for regular power

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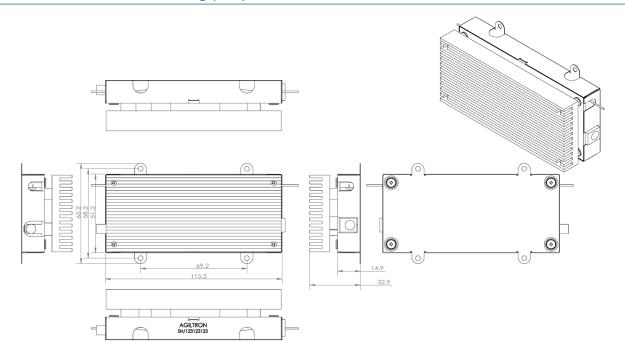


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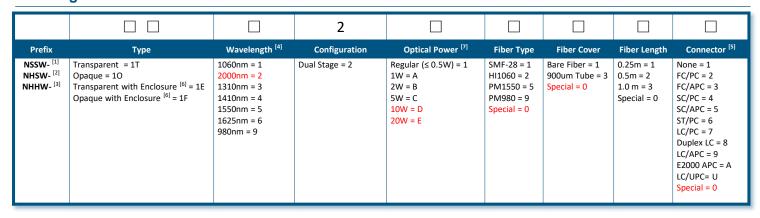


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300kHz Driver Mechanical Drawing (mm)



Ordering Information



- [1]. NSSW Normal power (≤0.5W) version
- [2]. NHSW 2W version
- [3]. NHHW ≥5W version
- [4]. The version with red color can be implemented in the special version, may take a long lead-time.
- [5]. Please contact for high power connectors.
- [6]. The Metal Enclosure protects the device against PCB damage and fiber breakage making it an instrument grade.
- [7]. High power ≥10W of 1x1 switch will be customized in the special package, please contact us.

NOTE:

- PM1550 fiber works well for 1310nm
- ☐ Opaque light is blocked without applying a voltage
- ☐ Transparent light goes through without applying a voltage



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Q&A (Conti)

Q: How does the device work?

A: NS devices are not based on Mach-Zander Interference, rather birefringence crystal's nature beam displacement, in which the crystal creates two different paths for beams with different polarization orientations.

Q: What is the limitation for faster operation?

A: NS devices have been tested to have an optical response of about 300 ps. However, practical implementation limits the response speeds. It is possible to achieve a much faster response when operated at partial extinction value. We also offer resonance devices over 20MHz with low electrical power consumption.

Operation Manual

- 1. Connect a control signal to the SMA connector on the PCB.
- 2. Attach the accompanied power supply (typically a wall-pluggable unit).
- 3. The device should then function properly.

Note: Do not alter device factory settings.

