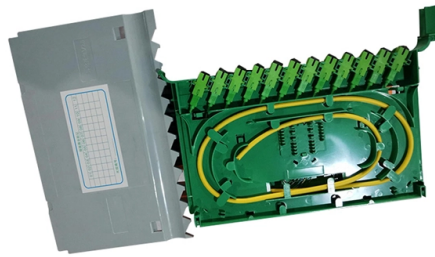


Energy-saving technology support for optical circulators



AI Overview

Energy-saving optical circulators achieve high efficiency through low insertion loss, high isolation, and advanced non-reciprocal designs, reducing power requirements in fiber-optic systems.

Overview of Optical Circulators

An optical circulator is a non-reciprocal device that routes light sequentially from one port to the next, typically in a three- or four-port configuration. For example, light entering port 1 exits port 2, while light reflected back from port 2 is directed to port 3 instead of returning to port 1. This property enables bidirectional transmission over a single fiber, reducing the need for additional fiber infrastructure and associated energy costs. Circulators are widely used in DWDM systems, fiber sensors, and optical add-drop multiplexers.

Energy-Efficiency Considerations

Energy-saving in optical circulators primarily comes from minimizing insertion loss and maximizing isolation:

- **Low Insertion Loss:** Modern circulators achieve insertion losses below 0.6 dB, meaning less optical power is lost during transmission, reducing the need for additional amplification and lowering overall system energy consumption.
- **High Isolation:** Isolation greater than 40 dB prevents back-reflected light from inte...

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