

OCS Optical Switch Analysis



Overview

This guide explains what an optical circuit switch is, how 3D MEMS and cascaded matrix architectures differ, why hyperscalers and AI operators are deploying OCS at the heart of their fabrics, and how to evaluate the right OCS technology for your network. Optical Circuit Switching (OCS) has emerged as a critical technology for next-generation Artificial Intelligence (AI) and hyperscale data-center networks. Traditional Electrical Packet-Switch (EPS) fabrics increasingly struggle with congestion, power consumption, and scalability constraints as. Against this backdrop, OCS (Optical Direct Connect) has begun to attract attention as a switching technology based on direct optical connections. Since the report's last publication in January 2025, and the webinar Optical Circuit Switching for AI Scaling and Datacenter Automation in July 2025, the OCS forecast has been updated based on newer information. Circuit Design for Scalable and Fast Optical Circuit Switching By Erik Francis Anderson A dissertation submitted in partial satisfaction of the requirements for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Engineering - Electrical Engineering and Computer Science in the Graduate Division of the University. The optical circuit switch (OCS) is rapidly becoming the most important new building block in hyperscale and AI data center architecture. As GPU clusters scale to tens of thousands of accelerators and 800G/1. Unlike traditional electronic circuit-switched systems, OCS uses optical signals to establish direct communication paths between.

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This OCS is used to switch the light into any of 64 input ports of a fiber array unit (FAU). The FAU is responsible for shooting the light into the SiPh OCS, shown in yellow in Fig. 2.20.

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What is OCS (Optical Circuit Switching)?

Optical Circuit Switching (OCS) is a cutting-edge technology that optimizes optical networks by dynamically reconfiguring light paths. Learn about its working principles, core ...

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