## FSM - Fiber Optical Switches customized solutions

- fast switching time
- low insertion loss
- high optical isolation
- no additional wavelength dependence
- customized switch design
- flexible switch control
- bulkhead connectors
- Applications:
- optical measurement systems
- spectroscopy


Fig.: customized fiber switch with 19 " industrial casing

Customized fiber-optic switches are an important part of the product range offered by piezosystem jena GmbH. Individually manufactured, the optical switches are designed and developed in close collaboration with the end user. The customer receives a custom tailored solution which guarantees the best results for each application.
Based on a modular system, components are selected in combinations for various special solutions. Housing, fiber type, connector configurations and control interfaces are all selectable from a wide range of possibilities to meet customer requirements. Typically fiberoptical switches are used for spectroscopy and chemical analytics applications.
Using fiber switches is an ideal method for combining different sensor points in just one spectrometer. As a result, the end-user derives a cost benefit by directly comparing different optical channels using a single spectrometer/detector system.

## List of customizable fiber-optical switches (selection)

## - Multimode fiber switch with 2 times FSM - 1by9 for $\mathbf{2 0 0 \mu m}$ core fiber

- Multimode fiber switch with 2 times FSM - 1 by6 for $600 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ core fiber
- Multimode fiber switch FSM - 1by11 for $600 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ core fiber
- Multimode fiber switch FSM - 1 by12 for $\mathbf{6 2 . 5 \mu m}$ core fiber
- Multimode fiber switch FSM - 1by16 for $200 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ core fiber
- Multimode fiber switch FSM - 4to5 for $\mathbf{1 0 0 \mu m}$ core fiber
piezosystem jena has expanded its line to a variety of fiber switches for different types of fibers, types of connectors, and numbers of channels. Switches with more than 80 output channels are easily achievable by cascading the switching modules. piezosystem jena specializes in fiber switch customization. The chart below shows customizable fiber switches.

| Multimode fiber switch 2times FSM 1x9 with $200 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ fiber |  |
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| insertion loss: 1.5 dB switching time: 2 ms fiber: 200/280 $\mu \mathrm{m}$ connector: E 2 108.6/K operating voltage: 100-240 VAC control signal: BCD code housing (l/w/h): $429 \times 320 \times 126 \mathrm{~mm}$ |  |
| Multimode fiber switch 2times FSM 1x6 for $600 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ fiber |  |
| insertion loss: 3.0 dB switching time: 7 ms fiber: 600/660 $\mu \mathrm{m}$ connector: SMA bulkhead operating voltage: 100-240 VAC control signal: BCD, RS232, USB control: synchronously housing ( $/ \mathrm{w} / \mathrm{h}$ ): $448 \times 375 \times 132 \mathrm{~mm}$ |  |
| Multimode fiber switch FSM 1x11 for $600 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ fiber |  |
| insertion loss: 3.0 dB switching time: 7 ms fiber: 600/720 $\mu \mathrm{m}$ connector: SMA bulkhead operating voltage: 100-240 VAC control signal: BCD, RS232, USB housing ( $/ 1 \mathrm{w} / \mathrm{h}$ ): $448 \times 375 \times 132 \mathrm{~mm}$ |  |
| Multimode fiber switch FSM 1x12 for $62.5 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ fiber |  |
| insertion loss: 2.5 dB switching time: 3 ms fiber: $62.5 / 125 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ connector: FC/PC bulkhead operating voltage: 7-12 VAC control signal: BCD code housing (l/w/h): $448 \times 375 \times 89 \mathrm{~mm}^{3}$ |  |
| Multimode fiber switch FSM 1x16 for $200 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ fiber |  |
| insertion loss: 2.5 dB switching time: 3 ms fiber: 200/220 $\mu \mathrm{m}$ connector: SMA bulkhead operating voltage: 5 V control signal: BCD code housing ( $/ \mathrm{w} / \mathrm{h}$ ): $429 \times 360 \times 126 \mathrm{~mm}$ |  |
| Multimode fiber switch FSM 4 by 5 with $100 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ fiber |  |
| insertion loss: 1.5 dB switching time: 3 ms fiber: 100/140 $\mu \mathrm{m}$ connector: ST fiber length: 1 m operating voltage: 100-240 VAC control signal: RS 232 housing (l/w/h): $448 \times 375 \times 89 \mathrm{~mm}^{3}$ |  |

## Control interfaces:

piezosystem jena offers different options for fiber switch control. They can be controlled easily via TTL signal (high and low) with BCD code. This is also the most practical solution for switches built into small size casing (FSM 1 by 2 or 1 by 3 up to 200 micron core size diameter). For the small casing, we offer a separate control box (part. no. Z-950-95) that houses the interface board. RS232 as well as USB interfaces are included in fiber switches built into industrial rack casing. A new feature for control is an Ethernet interface (part. no. Z-950-100) for all switches that are assembled into a standard 19"industrial rack. This gives customers the benefit of easy installation into existing network systems. Selecting the Ethernet interface is a substitute for the USB interface.

## Types of optical fibers:

Optical fibers are mainly classified with respect to the lateral dimensions of the light-guiding section, the fiber core. The core diameter together with the refractive index distribution of the core-cladding assembly determines the number of modes the fiber supports. The following figures and table give a rough overview on the various fiber types:

## graded-index fiber



| fiber diameter <br> $\boldsymbol{\mu m}$ | index-profile | wavelength <br> range <br> nm | spectrum | NA* | connector typ | part no.for fiber <br> (without optical <br> connector) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $50 / 125$ | graded-index | $850-1300$ | - | 0,20 | SMA, ST, FC/PC, <br> FC/APC, E2000 | C-319-** |
| $62.5 / 125$ | graded-index | $850-1300$ | - | 0,28 | SMA, ST, FC/PC, <br> FC/APC, E2000 | C-329-** |
| $100 / 140$ | graded-index | $850-1300$ | - | 0,29 | SMA, ST, FC/PC, <br> FC/APC | C-339-** |
| $100 / 110$ | step-index | $180-1100$ | UV, VIS | 0,22 | SMA, ST, FC/PC | C-230-** |
| $100 / 140$ | step-index | $600-2600$ | IR | 0,22 | SMA, ST, FC/PC, FC/APC | C-130-** |
| $105 / 125$ | step-index | $600-2600$ | IR | 0,22 | SMA, ST, FC/PC | C-120-** |
| $200 / 220$ | step-index | $180-1100$ | UV, VIS | 0,22 | SMA, ST, FC/PC | C-240-** |
| $200 / 220$ | step-index | $600-2600$ | IR | 0,22 | SMA, ST, FC/PC | C-140-** |
| $400 / 440$ | step-index | $180-1100$ | UV, VIS | 0,22 | SMA | C-260-** |
| $400 / 440$ | step-index | $600-2600$ | IR | 0,22 | SMA | C-160-** |
| $600 / 660$ | step-index | $180-1100$ | UV, VIS | 0,22 | SMA | C-280-** |
| $600 / 720$ | step-index | $600-2600$ | IR | 0,22 | SMA | C-185-** |

*NA - numerical aperture
${ }^{* *}$ when ordering please use the suffix: ST: -10; SMA: -20, FC/PC: -30, FC/APC: -50, E2000: -60
All fibers can be provided with an anti -reflection option; please request. The anti-reflection option is recommended for spectroscopy applications.

## FSM - optical fibers and connectors

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| $200 / 220$ | step-index | $600-2600$ | IR | 0,22 | SMA, ST, FC/PC | C-140-** |
| $400 / 440$ | step-index | $180-1100$ | UV, VIS | 0,22 |  | SMA |
| $400 / 440$ | step-index | $600-2600$ | IR | 0,22 |  | SMA |
| $600 / 660$ | step-index | $180-1100$ | UV, VIS | 0,22 | SMA | C-160-** |
| $600 / 720$ | step-index | $600-2600$ | IR | 0,22 | SMA | C-280-** |

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## Fiber optic connectors types

ST - The ST connector is high-precision, ceramic ferrule. The bayonet style keyed coupling mechanism featuring push and turn locking of the connector prevents overturning and damaging of the fiber end. The insertion loss of the ST connector is less than 0.3 dB .
Drilled-out, metallic ST connectors having insertion losses of $>1 \mathrm{~dB}$ are being used with large-core (> $140 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ ) fibers.
suffix for ordering: -10


FC/PC -This high-precision, ceramic ferrule conector is equipped with an anti-rotation key, reducing fiber endface damage and rotational aligment sensitivity of the fiber.The typical insertion loss of the FC connector is around 0.3 dB .
Drilled-out, metallic FC/PC connectors having insertion losses of $>1 \mathrm{~dB}$ are being used with large-core ( $>140 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ ) fibers.
suffix for ordering: -30


E2000 - This fiber optic connector features secure transmission of high bit-rate protocols, zirconia ceramic ferrule fully protected by spring loaded shutter and push-pull locking mechanism for easy installation.
suffix for ordering: -60

SMA - Due to its stainless steel structure and lowprecision, threaded fiber locking mechanism, this connector is used mainly in applications requiring the coupling of high-power laser beams into large-core, multimode fibers. The typical insertion loss of an SMA connector is greater than 1 dB . suffix for ordering: -20


FC/APC -The Angle FC (APC) polish, adds an 8 degree angle to the connector endface; equipped with an antirotation key and axially spring-loaded. The typical insertion loss is less than 0.2 dB .
suffix for ordering: -50

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industrial rack size casing. For the small casing size we offer a separate control box (part. no. Z-950-95) where the interface board is located.
An USB interface is also standard for the switches built into the $19^{\prime \prime}$ industrial rack. Now the line of switches is extended by the addition of an Ethernet interface (part. no. Z-$950-100$ ) for all switches that are assembled into a standard 19"industrial rack. The customers benefit
from the easy installation into existing network systems. Selection of Ethernet interface substitutes the USB interface. In general, for every interface type, the required software comes with the switch. A demo program for Lab-View ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ controlling of the switch is also supplied on a CDRom when the switch is supplied.

