

Connecting Industrial Switches



Summary of Content

Industrial switches can be interconnected using proper cabling, power setup, IP configuration, VLANs, and redundancy protocols to ensure a stable and efficient network.

Physical Installation

Mounting Options: Industrial switches can be mounted on DIN rails, racks, or walls depending on the environment and space availability. DIN-rail mounting is common in compact electrical cabinets, while rack-mounted switches are suitable for larger control rooms. Ensure adequate ventilation and access to power outlets when selecting the installation location. **Power Supply:** Connect each switch to a stable and reliable power source. For critical applications, consider dual power modules to provide redundancy and prevent network interruptions due to power failures.

Cabling and Connections

Copper Connections: Use industrial-grade Cat5e or Cat6 cables to connect switches to devices such as PLCs, sensors, controllers, and higher-level network devices like routers or firewalls. Follow the correct line sequence and color coding to avoid miswiring. **Fiber Connections:** For long-distance or high-bandwidth requirements, use fiber optic cables with appropriate connectors (SC, LC, ST) and jumpers. Fiber connections reduce interference and are ideal for harsh industrial environments. **Grounding:** Ensure proper grounding of switches to protect against electrical surges and electromagnetic interference, especially in outdoor or high-voltage areas.

Network Configuration

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