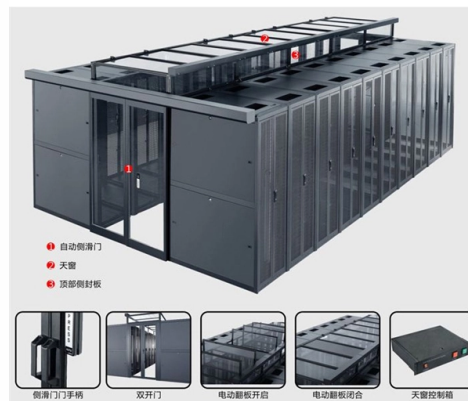


Where should the ST fiber optic patch cord be connected



Summary of Content

An ST fiber optic patch cord should be connected between compatible network devices, such as transceivers, switches, or optical distribution frames (ODFs), using ports designed for ST connectors.

Typical Connection Points

ST connectors (Straight Tip) are commonly used in legacy and industrial network installations. They feature a bayonet-style twist-and-lock mechanism and a 2.5 mm ferrule, which allows secure connections but is less common in modern high-density setups . You should connect an ST patch cord to:

- Optical Distribution Frames (ODFs): ST connectors are often used to link fibers from the ODF to network devices or patch panels .
- Network Devices: Older switches, routers, or transceivers that have ST-compatible ports can accept ST patch cords for device-to-device connectivity .
- Telecom or Data Center Equipment: In legacy or industrial environments, ST connectors may still be used to connect single-mode or multimode fibers over moderate distances .

Connection Guidelines

- Check Compatibility: Ensure both ends of the patch cord match the device ports (ST to ST or hybrid if needed).
- Align and Insert: Insert the ferrule into the ST port and twist the connector to lock it in place. Avoid excessive force to prevent damage.

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