# Agilent 8159xA/S <br> Modular Optical Switches <br> Technical Specifications 



Agilent's $8159 x \mathrm{x} / \mathrm{S}$ modular optical switches route light in single mode optical fibers from the input to several output ports. They are a family of plug-in modules for Agilent's Lightwave Solution Platform 8163A/B, 8164A/B, 8166A/B. Their high flexibility within this modular test platform makes them ideal as test and measurement equipment for signal routing in automated test environments. The available configurations are $1 \times 2,2 \times 2$ and $1 \times 4$.

## Modular Design for Solution Platform

Agilent's $8159 \times A$ modular optical switches are a family of plug-in modules for Agilent's Lightwave Solution Platform 8163A/B, $8164 \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{B}$ and $8166 \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{B}$. They enable manufacturers of optical and network components to automate their processes by routing optical signals when testing devices such as line cards, amplifiers, and active and passive components. Adding modular optical switches to this instrument platform allows flexible and cost effective all-in-one solutions to be developed for optical component test in automated test environments.

The $1 \times 2$ optical switch has two positions:


The dual $1 \times 2$ optical switch has two independent $1 \times 2$ switches in one module to reduces rack space and cost.

The $2 \times 2$ non-blocking (crossover) optical switch also has two positions:


The $1 \times 4$ optical switch has four positions:



## Key Features

- Wide wavelength range: $1270-1650 \mathrm{~nm}$
- Excellent repeatability: $+/-0.005 \mathrm{~dB}$
- Low insertion loss: 0.8 dB
- Modular design, which allows up to 34 switches ( $1 \times 2$ ) in one mainframe
- Switch positions that can be individually controlled on each module
- Connector types: FC/PC, FC/APC, SC/PC, SC/APC


## Applications

- Signal routing
- Bit Error Rate test
- Optical amplifier test and characterization
- Transmission system test
- DWDM components test

Agilent 8159xA/S optical switch modules are produced to the ISO 9001 international quality system standard, as part of Agilent's commitment to continually increasing customer satisfaction through improved quality control.

Modular Optical Switch Specifications

|  | 81591A | 81591S | 81592A | 81592S | 81594A | 81594S | 81595A | 81595S |
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| Switch type | 1x2 |  | 1x2 dual |  | 2x2 |  | 1x4 |  |
| Connectivity | angled | straight | angled | straight | angled | straight | angled | straight |
| Fiber type | 9/125 $\mu \mathrm{m}$ SMF28 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wavelength range | $1270 \cdot 1650 \mathrm{~nm}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Insertion loss ${ }^{1,2}$ | $\begin{gathered} \quad<0.8 \mathrm{~dB} \text { excluding connectors }{ }^{3} \\ <1.2 \mathrm{~dB}(\text { typ. } 0.8 \mathrm{~dB}) \text { including connectors }{ }^{4} \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \quad<1.0 \mathrm{~dB} \text { excluding connectors }{ }^{3} \\ <1.4 \mathrm{~dB}\left(\text { typ. } 1.0 \mathrm{~dB} \text { ) including connectors }{ }^{4}\right. \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |
| Polarization dependent loss ${ }^{1}$ | $<0.07 \mathrm{~dB}^{5}$ |  | $<0.07 \mathrm{~dB}^{5}$ |  | $<0.20 \mathrm{~dB}^{2}$ |  | $<0.14 \mathrm{~dB}^{5}$ |  |
| Return loss ${ }^{2}$ | typ. 60 dB | typ. 45 dB | typ. 60 dB | typ. 45 dB | typ. 60 dB | typ. 45 dB | typ. 60 dB | typ. 45 dB |
| Repeatability ${ }^{6}$ | $<+1.0 .005 \mathrm{~dB}$ |  | $<+1 \cdot 0.005 \mathrm{~dB}$ |  | $<+1.0 .005 \mathrm{~dB}$ |  | $<+\mid .0 .01 \mathrm{~dB}$ |  |
| Crosstalk ${ }^{2}$ | typ. -70 dB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Switching time ${ }^{1}$ | typ. 10 ms |  | typ. 10 ms |  | typ. 15 ms |  | typ. 15 ms |  |
| Lifetime | $>10$ Mio cycles |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Spectral flatness ${ }^{1,7}$ | typ. 0.10 dB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maximum input power | 300 mW |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dimensions (H x W x D) | $75 \mathrm{~mm} \times 32 \mathrm{~mm} \times 335 \mathrm{~mm}$ ( 2.8 " $\left.\times 1.3^{\prime \prime} \times 13.2^{\prime \prime}\right)$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Weight | 0.5 kg |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating temperature | $10^{\circ} \mathrm{C}-45{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Humidity | 95\%, non-condensing |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Warm-up time | 30 min . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

${ }^{1}$ At temperature $=23^{\circ} \mathrm{C}+1.3^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
${ }^{2}$ For $\lambda=1310 \mathrm{~nm}+\mid .15 \mathrm{~nm}$ and $1550 \mathrm{~nm}+\mid .15 \mathrm{~nm}$
${ }^{3}$ Not measured for connectorized versions
${ }^{4}$ Measured with reference connector
${ }^{5}$ For $\lambda=1550 \mathrm{~nm}+\mid .15 \mathrm{~nm}$, add 0.06 dB for $\lambda=1310 \mathrm{~nm}+/ .15 \mathrm{~nm}$
${ }^{6}$ Consecutive measurement
${ }^{7}$ For $1525 \mathrm{~nm}<\lambda<1575 \mathrm{~nm}$, over all channels
Ordering Information
Modules for angled contact connectors
81591A Optical switch, 1x2
81952A Optical switches, 2 independent, $1 \times 2$ in one module
81594A Optical switch, $2 \times 2$ non-blocking (crossover)
81595A Optical switch, $1 \times 4$
Option SCI: Optical switch comes with fixed SC/APC connector interfaces
Option FCI: $\quad$ Optical switch comes with fixed FC/APC connector interfaces for R key (narrow key width only)
Modules for straight contact connectors

| 81591S | Optical switch, $1 \times 2$ |
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| 81592S | Optical switches, 2 independent, $1 \times 2$ in one module |
| 81594S | Optical switch, $2 \times 2$ non-blocking (crossover) |
| 81595S | Optical switch, $1 \times 4$ |
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| Option SCI: | Optical switch comes with fixed SC/PC connector interfaces <br> Option FCI: |
| Optical switch comes with fixed FC/PC connector interfaces |  |

