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Modular Cross-Connect System

Abstract:

The invention is a modular cross-connect system which has a connector
5 block having an array of connector jacks therein and which is mountable on a
panel. The block has pivot pins for pivotally mounting it in an aperture in the
panel, and the rear of the block has connectors thereon for connecting wires or
other signal carriers to the connector jacks. The block can be pivoted to give
access to the connectors from in front of the panel so that connections can be
10 made, after which the block can be pivoted back to its operative position and
latched in place. In a second embodiment of the invention, the block is supported
by retaining clips extending from the front of the panel so that it can be supported
in front of the panel during wiring after which it is inserted into an aperture in the
panel and pivotally supported therein, with means on the block for latching it in
15 place.

