

OPTICAL SWITCHING CONNECTORA B S T R A C T

Disclosed is an optical switching connector (21) including a ferrule plate (22), which  
fixes an end of an optical fiber (17) to a  
predetermined position, has pin grooves (26a,26b)  
formed in parallel at its both ends, and has at least  
one of its pin grooves formed to a width enabling  
horizontal movement of a reference pin (15), pin  
holding members (23a,23b) which position the reference  
pin in said pin grooves, and a frame body (24) which  
houses said ferrule plate and pin holding members. The  
optical switching connector is characterized in that  
the pin holding members are provided individually for  
each pin groove and provision is made at the both sides  
of the pin grooves of members (25a,25b) for pressing  
the pin holding members corresponding to the pin  
grooves where the reference pins can move horizontally  
to the ferrule plate.

**FIGURE 5**