

Configuration of Dual Optical Ports on a 10 Gigabit Switch



AI Overview

Two optical ports on a 10 Gigabit switch provide high-speed fiber uplinks, typically using X2, SFP+, or SFP28 modules, enabling 10GbE connectivity for long-distance or high-bandwidth network links.

Overview of 10GbE Optical Ports

A 10 Gigabit switch with two optical ports usually dedicates these ports for uplink or high-speed interconnects. These ports can use different pluggable transceiver standards:

- X2 modules:** Common in older 10GbE switches like the Cisco Catalyst 4948, providing 10GbE fiber connectivity with wire-speed throughput.
- SFP+ modules:** Smaller, lower-power transceivers widely used in modern 10GbE switches, supporting both short-range (SR) and long-range (LR) fiber connections.
- SFP28 modules:** Found in dual-port PCIe cards or high-performance switches, supporting 10GbE or 25GbE connections depending on the module.

These optical ports allow the switch to connect to other switches, servers, or storage devices over fiber, providing high bandwidth and low latency for data-intensive applications.

Functionality and Usage

- Uplink Connectivity:** Optical ports are often used as uplinks to core switches or aggregation layers, ensuring high-speed backbone connections.
- Redundancy and Load Balancing:** Dual optical ports can be configured for link aggregation, combining bandwidth or providing failover in case one link fails.
- Distance Flexibility:** Fiber modules allow connections ranging from a few meters (multi-mode) to several kilometers (single-mode), depending on the transceiver type.

Combo Ports vs Dedicated Optical Ports

Some switches feature combo ports, which combine an RJ45 copper port and an SFP optical port on the same interface. Only one can be active at a time, providing flexibility during network upgrades from copper to fiber. Dedicated optical ports, like the two 10GbE ports on the Cisco Catalyst 4948, are always available for fiber conn...

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These profiles let you group and set ports, split high-speed physical ports into multiple lower-speed logical ports, and find out which types of equipment and cabling you can use for each

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To use the normal UDLD mode, you must configure one of the ports for normal mode and configure the other port for the normal or aggressive mode. To use the aggressive UDLD mode,

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How to enable the 10-Gigabit Ethernet and Gigabit Ethernet SFP ports

Note: On a Catalyst 4510R Series Switch, if you enable both the 10-Gigabit Ethernet and Gigabit Ethernet SFP uplink ports, you must re-boot the switch. On the Catalyst 4503, 4506, and

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Features and Benefits The following table lists the different pluggable optic modules and supported platforms, along with the technical specifications for each.

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The fixed QSFP ports are named Fo 0/48, Fo 0/52, Fo 0/56 and Fo 0/60 in 40-gigabit mode and respectively, Te 0/48-51, Te 0/52-55, Te 0/56-59 and Te 0/60-63 in 10-gigabit mode.

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Connecting transceivers to fixed-configuration devices

If the switch either fails to show a link between an installed transceiver and another device or demonstrates errors or other unexpected behavior on the link, check the port configuration on both

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These 10/100/1000 Mbps ports can be configured for speed and duplex negotiation similar to 10/100 Mbps ports Cisco IOS Software-based switches. Therefore, the configurations described in

2X10GL (2-Port 10GE Optical Ports Interface Card)

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How to Connect 10G SFP+ Ports on a Switch: Setup, Configurations

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D-Link 10-Port Gigabit Smart Managed PoE+ Switch (DGS-1210-10P),

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