How to configure the optical module of the aggregation switch



Overview

Ubiquiti ECS-Aggregation Switch Unboxing Moduletek Laboratory has purchased a Ubiquiti ECS-Aggregation switch to test its compatibility with 10G/25G SFP28.

Key Takeaways

Optical modules on aggregation switches are configured based on interface type, bandwidth requirements, and compatibility with remote devices, often using interface splitting, link aggregation, and proper module selection.

Interface Types and Module Selection

Aggregation switches support various optical interfaces, such as 10GE, 40GE, and 100GE, which can be connected using QSFP+, SFP+, or other optical modules depending on the switch model and remote device compatibility. For example, a 40GE interface on a Huawei CX320 switch can be split into four 10GE interfaces using a 1-to-4 high-speed cable, active optical cable (AOC), or optical modules with matching wavelengths on the remote device.

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R 920 routers support SDH and SONET framing on optical modules, with encapsulation options like HDLC, PPP, and ATM AAL0/AAL5, which must be configured per interface module and port. Interface Splitting and Link AggregationHigh-bandwidth interfaces can be split into multiple lower-bandwidth interfaces to increase flexibility and reduce hardware costs. For instance, a 40GE interface can connect to four 10GE interfaces on a remote switch, either directly via optical modules or using a 1-to-4 AOC.

When using link aggregation, multiple optical interfaces can be combined to form a single logical link, improving redundancy, throughput, and load balancing.

VLA

Ns can be assigned to aggregated links to segment traffic efficiently, and spanning tree protocols can be used to prevent loops in redundant topologies.

Configuration Steps

Install the appropriate optical module on the aggregation switch and ensure the remote device has compatible modules with matching wavelengths. Connect the optical interfaces using fiber or AOC cables, considering interface splitting if required. Configure interface attributes, including speed, duplex, and framing mode (if applicable, e.g., SDH/SONET on Cisco devices),.

Set up VLANs and link aggregation groups to manage traffic and redundancy. Verify connectivity and performance using switch management tools or CLI commands, ensuring no frame loss or mismatched configurations.

Considerations for Data Center Deployments

In large-scale data centers, optical switching is increasingly used to overcome bandwidth limitations of electrical switches. Optical modules must be selected to support high-speed, low-latency connections, and the network topology should minimize contention and packet loss. Proper planning of optical module types, wavelengths, and interface splitting ensures scalable, high-performance aggregation layers capable of handling diverse traffic patterns.

Summary

Configuring optical modules on aggregation switches involves selecting compatible modules, configuring interface attributes, optionally splitting high-bandwidth interfaces, and aggregating links for redundancy and performance.

Attention to VLA

N assignment, framing modes, and data center traffic patterns ensures reliable and efficient network operation.

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