# Multi-bandwidth convergence VLAN switch



## Overview

Recently, I built a multi-switch VLAN network in Cisco Packet Tracer, connecting different departments while ensuring seamless communication within VLANs.

## Key Takeaways

A multi-bandwidth convergence VLAN switch combines VLAN segmentation with multi-chassis link aggregation (MLAG) to provide high-bandwidth, redundant, and seamless inter-switch connectivity.

## Overview

A multi-bandwidth convergence VLAN switch is a network setup where multiple switches are interconnected to support VLANs across all switches while simultaneously aggregating multiple physical links into a single logical link for higher throughput and redundancy. This setup ensures that devices in the same VLAN can communicate seamlessly, even if they are connected to different switches, and that bandwidth is efficiently utilized across multiple links ( ). Key Components1.

## VLA

N Segmentation: VLANs divide a network into logical segments, improving security, reducing broadcast domains, and enhancing manageability. Each switch port is assigned to a VLAN, and trunk ports carry multiple VLANs between switches to maintain inter-VLAN communication ( ). 2.

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## Multi-

Chassis Link Aggregation (MLAG): MLAG allows two or more switches to appear as a single logical switch for link aggregation. Multiple physical links from a host or another switch can connect to different MLAG peer switches, forming a single logical link. This provides active-active traffic forwarding, higher bandwidth, and redundancy without creating Layer 2 loops ( ).

3. Link Aggregation Control Protocol (LACP): LACP manages the aggregated links, ensuring that traffic is balanced across all active links and automatically rerouted if a link fails.

## MLA

G combined with LACP allows dual-connected devices to utilize all available bandwidth efficiently ( ).

## Benefits

Increased Bandwidth: Aggregates multiple physical links into a single logical link, effectively multiplying available throughput ( ). Redundancy and High Availability: If one switch or link fails, traffic continues through the other active links without disruption ( ).

## Seamless VLA

N Communication: VLANs can span multiple switches, allowing devices in the same VLAN to communicate regardless of the physical switch they are connected to ( ). Efficient Layer 2 Topology: MLAG reduces the need for Spanning Tree Protocol to block links, allowing all paths to carry traffic and minimizing over-subscription ( ).

## Implementation Considerations

## Ensure MLA

G peer switches are identical and run compatible firmware to avoid configuration conflicts ( ). Configure trunk ports between switches to carry all VLANs.

## Assign VLA

Ns to access ports for end devices and configure MLAG links for aggregated uplinks. Use peer links and keepalive links between MLAG switches to synchronize MAC tables and detect failures ( ). By combining VLAN segmentation with MLAG, a multi-bandwidth convergence VLAN switch setup provides a scalable, high-performance, and resilient network suitable for data centers, enterprise networks, and environments requiring high availability and efficient bandwidth utilization.

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## Article Content

Understand the Multiple Spanning Tree Protocol (802.1s)

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RJS Network Cloud Academy: STP Variants & Advanced Operations

As networks evolved to support VLANs and higher bandwidth requirements, different STP variants emerged to address specific deployment needs. IEEE Standard STP Variants

EOS 4.36.1F

MLAG-configured ports provide Layer 2 multipathing, increased bandwidth, higher availability, and other improvements on traditional active-passive or Spanning Tree governed infrastructures.

Understanding Network Protocols: Spanning Tree Variants and

It allows multiple VLANs to be mapped to a reduced number of spanning-tree instances, reducing overhead and complexity. This is particularly advantageous in large, VLAN-intensive

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Transparent EVPN handoff to Layer 2 or Layer 3 to traditional underlay segmented networks Seamless multi-domain interworking at Border – IP, MPLS VPN, EoMPLS/VPLS, SD-WAN, etc. Extendable

Inter VLAN Routing by Layer 3 Switch

Bandwidth utilization: Inter-VLAN routing by Layer 3 switch can lead to increased bandwidth utilization, as all traffic between VLANs must pass through the Layer 3 switch, which can

Spanning Tree Protocol

However, in Ethernet switched environments where multiple VLANs exist, it is often desirable to create multiple spanning trees so that traffic on different VLANs uses different links.

Fundamental Concepts in TCP/IP Networking Virtual Local Area

The two most common types of circuit-switched WAN technologies are the public switched telephone network (PSTN) and the Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN).

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VLANs also use a 12-bit VLAN identifier to address Layer 2 segments, allowing for the addressing of up to a practical limit of ~4,000 VLANs. In modern data center network deployments, VLANs have

Deploying Device Level Ring within a Converged Plantwide Ethernet ...

DLR VLAN Trunking allows switches and star connected devices in multiple VLANs to communicate through a DLR network. Traffic that passes from one switch to the next can either remain on the

Routing Between VLANs Overview

VLANs address scalability, security, and network management. Routers in VLAN topologies provide broadcast filtering, security, address summarization, and

Routing Between VLANs & Layer 3 Switches

Learn what a Router Sub-interface and a L3 Switch is, as well as how to configure both of them on Cisco devices to enable Routing between VLANs.

Multiple Spanning Tree (MST)

Multiple Spanning Tree (MST) is a spanning tree variant that allows you to map multiple VLANs to a single STP instance. Classic STP, PVST+, and Rapid

Configure Inter VLAN Routing with Multiple Switches

The question comes up often when talking about inter vlan routing and how this is done with multiple switches in a production environment. Many examples only show inter vlan routing with

Configure and verify VLANs spanning multiple switches

If the switch is in VTP server or transparent mode (see the “Configuring VTP” section), you can configure VLANs in global and VLAN

Solved: Span VLANs across switches

VLANs are new to me so please forgive me - We have 5 Cisco sg500x switches. We need to create two vlans across some or all of the switches. I have been successful in creating vlan1 on

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After completing this chapter, you will be able to perform the following tasks: Configure a VLAN to improve network performance. Identify what role the switch plays in the creation of VLANs. Identify

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VLAN Load Balancing Between Trunks via STP Port Priority

This document provides the theory behind VLAN load balancing between trunks, and also provides configuration examples for switches running CatOS and Integrated IOS.

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