

Two fiber optic cables enter the switch



Article Overview

Yes, you can connect two fiber optic cables to a single switch, either for redundancy or link aggregation, provided the ports, modules, and fiber types are compatible.

Basic Setup

To connect two fiber optic cables to a single switch, you need to ensure the following:

- **SFP Modules:** Each fiber cable must terminate in a compatible SFP (Small Form-factor Pluggable) module installed in the switch port. For example, Cisco GLC-SX-MM modules are commonly used for multimode fiber connections .
- **Fiber Type:** Ensure both cables are either single-mode or multimode, matching the SFP module specifications .
- **Connectors:** LC-LC duplex connectors are standard for most switch-to-switch fiber connections .
- **Port Configuration:** The switch ports should be enabled and configured for the correct speed and duplex mode.

Use Cases

- **Redundancy:** Connecting two fibers to separate ports on the same switch can provide a backup path. If one link fails, the other maintains connectivity .
- **Link Aggregation (LACP):** Two fibers can be combined into a single logical link to increase bandwidth. This requires configuring EtherChannel or port-channel on the switch .

Practical Considerations...

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SFP transceiver modules almost always require two fiber optic cable strands. Always integrate duplex (two strand) fiber optic cabling

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Well, I have erased (write erase) the configuration of both switches, so they have the default cisco config. I have

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