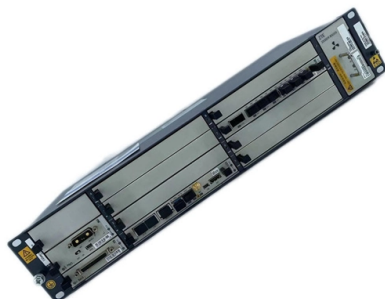


Switch optical interface indicator light



Overview

Understanding the LEDs These port LEDs, as a group or individually, display information about the switch and about the individual ports. The port mode dete.

Key Takeaways

The optical interface LED indicates link status, activity, and signal quality for fiber ports, with green or blinking green showing normal operation and amber or off indicating potential issues. Understanding Optical Port LEDs Optical interface LEDs on switches, such as SFP or SFP+ ports, provide visual feedback about the link status and data activity: Off: No link detected or the port is administratively shut down. Check the fiber connection and SFP module.

Green (solid): Link is established, but no data is currently being transmitted. The port is online and ready. Blinking Green: Normal data activity is occurring, including minimal control traffic.

This indicates the port is actively transmitting and receiving frames. Amber or Blinking Amber: The port may be blocked by Spanning Tree Protocol (STP), experiencing a link fault, or receiving control frames. This can indicate collisions, CRC errors, or other connectivity issues.

Alternating Green-

Amber: A link fault is detected, such as excessive errors or misalignment.



TX and RX Optical Power Indicators

For fiber connections, the optical signal strength is critical: TX Power (Transmit): The amount of light leaving the SFP module.

Low T

X power may indicate a failing laser or dirty connector.

R

X Power (Receive): The amount of light received from the remote end. This is the most critical metric; low RX power can cause link instability or errors. Thresholds: Switches often have alarm and warning thresholds.

If TX or R

X power crosses these limits, the switch may log a syslog message or disable the port.

Troubleshooting Tips

Check the SFP module: Ensure it is compatible with the switch and properly seated. Inspect fiber cables: Clean connectors and verify correct type (single-mode vs. multi-mode). Verify link partner: Ensure the remote device is powered on and configured correctly.

Monitor LE

D behavior: Use the LED patterns to identify whether the port is online, active, or experiencing errors. Check optical power: If supported, use Digital Optical Monitoring (DOM) to read TX/RX levels and compare against recommended ranges.

Summary

The optical interface LED is a quick diagnostic tool for network engineers. Green or blinking green indicates normal operation, while amber, off, or alternating colors signals potential issues with the fiber link, SFP module, or connected device. Monitoring both LED status and optical power ensures reliable fiber connectivity and helps identify problems before they impact network performance.

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The switch consists of multiple LEDs to monitor switch activity and performance. You can also monitor the status of the fan tray assembly and the power supplies.

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