

# Can an optical port be used with an electrical port module



## Overview

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The answer is no. In fact, electrical port modules deliver performance comparable to that of optical port modules while boasting unique advantages. The following article will share with you the knowledge and difference between optical and electrical port module fast: □ What is an electrical. Most gigabit switches are equipped with both RJ45 electrical ports and SFP optical ports. Many users need to interconnect these two ports but do not know the correct method. Form Factor Standards: SFP, SFP+, QSFP. Optical port is the abbreviation of optical fiber interface. A key advantage of SFP+ Modules is that they are "hot-swappable", meaning they can be swapped out while the router is still powered on.



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Due to stability reason, it's better to use either all optical or all copper point-to-point links. Having an optical link on one side and a media converter on the other side "may" work but there are ...

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The SFP+ port needs to be used in conjunction with an SFP+ optical module or SFP+ electrical port module to establish a connection and data transmission between devices.

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Electrical port module is also known as optical to electrical port module, which is a module that supports hot-swappable, SFP package form, the connector type is RJ45, and the transmission ...

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## Knowledge Of Switch Optical Ports And Electrical Ports

An electrical port module has been integrated into the electrical port of the switch. There is no photoelectric conversion process, and the interface type is RJ45.

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## Differences Between Electrical Port Modules And Optical Port Modules

In fact, electrical port modules deliver performance comparable to that of optical port modules while boasting unique advantages. This article will share relevant knowledge and key differences between ...

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## How to interconnect the Gigabit RJ45 port with the SFP optical port ...

Insert the Gigabit electrical port module into the SFP optical port, and then connect the Category 6 network cable to the Gigabit RJ45 port. This method realizes SFP optical port to RJ45 ...

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## The difference between electrical interface module and optical module

Adaptive electrical port module is a gigabit optical module that can integrate 10/100/1000BASE three rates into CMOS chips, which can be used for high-speed Ethernet and gigabit Ethernet.

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