

How to test the compatibility of optical modules



AI Overview

To test if an optical module is compatible, verify its electrical, optical, and firmware parameters, then perform practical tests on the target switch using DDM, loopback, and power measurements.

Key Steps to Verify Compatibility

- 1. Check Module Specifications** Ensure the module matches the wavelength, speed, and fiber type of the intended link. For example, a 1310 nm module will not interconnect with an 850 nm module, and full-duplex modules must pair with full-duplex counterparts. Confirm the module supports the same data rate as the switch port (e.g., 1 G SFP vs 10 G SFP+).
- 2. Inspect Firmware and EEPROM** Use switch CLI commands to read the module's vendor ID, part number, serial number, and firmware version. On Cisco, commands like `show interface transceiver details` can reveal this information; Juniper uses `show system firmware`. Verify that the switch recognizes the module and does not reject it due to firmware or vendor restrictions.
- 3. Perform Optical Power and Signal Tests** Measure transmit (Tx) and receive (Rx) power using an optical power meter to ensure the module operates within the switch's receiver sensitivity range. For high-speed modules (25 G+), use Bit Error Rate Testing (BERT) to detect transmission errors and verify signal quality. Eye diagram testing can be used for QSFP28 or PAM4 modules to check signal clarity and jitter.
- 4. Use Digital Diagnostic Monitoring (DDM/DOM)** Monitor real-time parameters such as temperature, voltage, and optical power. DDM provides insight into module health and can indicate potential compatibility issues.
- 5. Conduct Loopback Testing** Insert a loopback plug or connect the module to a second compatible module to verify full-duplex operation and confirm that DDM readings are accurate. Short patch cords can be used for preliminary testing without a full link.
- 6. Test on the Target Switch** Insert the module...

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