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Overview

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Key Takeaways

10 Gigabit switch aggregation combines multiple 10GbE ports into a single logical link to increase bandwidth and provide redundancy using standards like IEEE 802.3ad (LACP). Overview of Link Aggregation

Link Aggregation (LAG), also called PortChannel, Port Teaming, or EtherChannel, allows multiple physical 10GbE ports to act as a single logical interface. This provides:

- Increased bandwidth: Multiple links share traffic load.
- Redundancy: If one link fails, traffic continues on remaining links.
- Simplified management: One logical interface for configuration and monitoring. LAGs can be static (manual) or dynamic using LACP (802.3ad), which automatically negotiates aggregation between switches or between a switch and a server.

Key Configuration Steps

- Select Ports for Aggregation
- Choose multiple 10GbE ports on each switch.
- Ensure all ports are connected to the same device at the other end.

- Ports must be of the same speed and duplex settings .
- Configure LAG on the Switch
- Assign selected ports to a Link Aggregate Group (LAG).
- Enable 802.3ad (LACP) for dynamic aggregation or configure a static trunk for manual aggregation .
- Example for Juniper: use ether-options 802.3ad on each interface .
- Set Trunk Mode and VLANs
- Configure the LAG as a trunk port if multiple VLANs are required.
- Assign VLANs to the LAG interface rather than individual ports .
- Ensure VLAN consistency across both ends of the link.
- Server or NIC Teaming Configuration
- On servers, configure NIC teaming using vendor utilities (e.g., HP NCU, Intel PROSet).
- Ensure the teamed NICs match the switch LAG configuration.
- Avoid mixing incompatible teaming software on the same server .
- Verify and Test
- Check LAG status and member ports.
- Test failover by disconnecting one link to ensure traffic continues.
- Monitor bandwidth utilization to confirm load balancing.

Best Practices

- Use even numbers of ports for balanced load distribution.
- Run cables over separate physical paths to reduce risk of simultaneous failure .
- Match MTU and speed settings across all aggregated ports.
- Document LAG configuration for troubleshooting and future expansion.
- Limit LAG size according to switch capabilities (e.g., HP supports up to 8 ports per trunk group), .

Example Scenario

- Two 10GbE switches connected via a 2-port LAG:
- Ports 1/1 and 1/2 on Switch A → Ports 1/1 and 1/2 on Switch B.
- LAG configured with LACP, trunk mode enabled, VLANs 10 and 20 allowed.

- Server with dual 10GbE NICs configured in a team connected to the LAG. This setup provides 20Gbps aggregated bandwidth and redundancy if one link fails. By following these steps and best practices, you can effectively configure 10 Gigabit switch aggregation to enhance network performance, reliability, and manageability .

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