

Can a 100Mbps port on a switch be connected to a 100Mbps optical module

Overview

Each module provides 100 Mbps or 1000 Mbps optical connections. The type of switch, router, or other component determines the compatible type of SFP module. Use only Extreme Networks-certified SFP, SFP+, and SFP28 modules in the SFP port on the hardware. A 100BASE FX SFP transceiver enables Fast Ethernet transmission over multimode fiber, typically operating at 1310nm and supporting distances up to 2km. Compared with copper-based 100BASE-TX connections, it offers stronger EMI immunity, longer reach, and improved reliability in electrically noisy. An SFP port is a physically small slot in a networking device that accepts an SFP module insert. You may connect different. I want to know if I can connect a server with a 100Mb fibre multimode interface to a 1000Mb SFP (GLC-SX-MMD) on a Cisco 3850 (WS-C3850-24S-E). Is any problem with the speed negotiation of each side?

I suppose on the switch side the interface is going to negotiate to 1000Mb only but I read that this. EX Series switches support a mix of speeds from 10 Mbps up to 100 Gbps depending on the model and port type, with many models supporting multi-gigabit speeds (2.5 Gbps, 5 Gbps) on copper ports and 10/25/40/100 Gbps on fiber or QSFP ports.



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To view the supported transceivers, optical interfaces, and DAC cables on EX4400 switches, see Hardware Compatibility Tool (HCT). A speed mismatch configuration, such as 100 Mbps on one end ...

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