Configuring ISL Trunking Between Catalyst 5000/6000 Switches Running CatOS

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Introduction

This document provides sample configurations on Inter–Switch Link (ISL) between a Catalyst 5500 and a Catalyst 5000 switch, both running Catalyst OS (CatOS). Any Catalyst 5000 or 6000 family member running CatOS could be used in this scenario to obtain the same results.

Briefly, trunking is a way to carry traffic from several VLANs over a point—to—point link between the two devices. There are two ways in which Ethernet trunking can be implemented:

- ISL (Cisco proprietary Inter–Switch Link protocol)
- 802.1Q (IEEE standard)

This document will only show the configuration files from the switches and the output from the related sample **show** commands. For details on how to configure an ISL trunk between the Catalyst switches, refer to Configuring ISL Trunking on Catalyst 5500/5000 and 6500/6000 Family Switches.

Prerequisites

Requirements

There are no specific requirements for this document.

Components Used

The information in this document is based on these software and hardware versions:

- Catalyst 5500 switch running Catalyst OS 6.1(1) software
- Catalyst 5000 switch running Catalyst OS 6.1(1) software

The information in this document was created from the devices in a specific lab environment. If your network is live, make sure that you understand the potential impact of any command. The configurations on all devices were cleared with the **clear config all** and **write erase** commands to ensure that they had a default configuration.

Conventions

For more information on document conventions, refer to the Cisco Technical Tips Conventions.

Important Notes

The Catalyst 4000 family (including Catalyst 2948G and Catalyst 2980G) running CatOS only supports 802.1Q trunking, not ISL trunking.

Any Ethernet port on a Catalyst 6000 family member supports 802.1Q and ISL encapsulation.

Depending on the module, Catalyst 5000 trunk—capable ports may support only ISL encapsulation or both ISL and 802.1Q. The best way to verify this is to issue the **show port capabilities** command. The trunking capacity is explicitly stated. For example:

cat5000> show port capabilities 3

Model WS-X5225R Port 3/1 10/100BaseTX Type auto,10,100 Speed half,full Duplex Trunk encap type

Trunk mode

Channel

802.1Q,ISL

on,off,desirable,auto,nonegotiate

3/1-2,3/1-4 Broadcast suppression percentage(0-100) Flow control receive-(off,on),send-(off,on) Security ves Membership static, dynamic Fast start yes QOS scheduling
CoS rewrite rx-(none),tx-(none) yes ToS rewrite IP-Precedence Rewrite UDLD AuxiliaryVlan 1..1000,1025..4094,untagged,dot1p,none SPAN source, destination

Ensure that the trunking modes match across the trunk link. If one side of the link is configured as an ISL trunk, the other side of the link should also be configured as ISL; similarly, if one side of the link is configured as 802.1Q, the other side of the link should also be configured as 802.1Q.

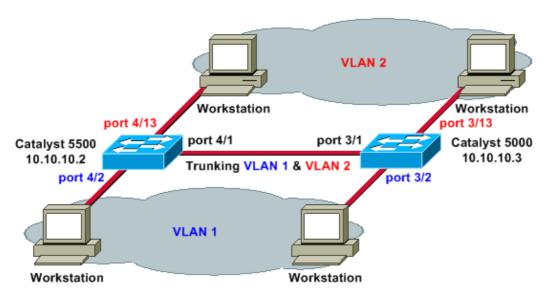
Configure

In this section, you are presented with the information to configure the features described in this document.

Note: To find additional information on the commands used in this document, use the Command Lookup Tool (registered customers only) .

Network Diagram

This document uses this network setup:



Configurations

This document uses these configurations:

- Catalyst 5500
- Catalyst 5000

```
Catalyst 5500
\#version 6.1(1)
set option fddi-user-pri enabled
set password $2$q.J7$05n.pwx7aEC6NHWJfXadx1
set enablepass $2$o.h/$bAxfjJ4XUA/RMUHqBr1YQ0
#errordetection
set errordetection portcounter enable
#system
set system name cat5500
#frame distribution method
set port channel all distribution mac both
#vtp
!--- In this example, the VLAN Trunking Protocol (VTP) mode is set to be transparent.
!--- Depending on your network, set the VTP mode accordingly.
set vtp mode transparent
!--- For details on VTP, refer to Configuring VTP.
set vlan 1 name default type ethernet mtu 1500 said 100001 state active
set vlan 1002 name fddi-default type fddi mtu 1500 said 101002 state active
set vlan 1004 name fddinet-default type fddinet mtu 1500 said 101004 state active stp ieee
set vlan 1005 name trnet-default type trbrf mtu 1500 said 101005 state active stp ibm
set vlan 2
set vlan 1003 name token-ring-default type trcrf mtu 1500 said 101003 state acti
```

```
ve mode srb aremaxhop 7 stemaxhop 7 backupcrf off
#ip
!--- IP address used for management.
set interface sc0 1 10.10.10.2/255.255.255.0 10.10.10.255
#set boot command
set boot config-register 0x2102
set boot system flash slot0:cat5000-sup3.6-1-1.bin
# default port status is enable
#module 1 empty
#module 2 : 2-port 1000BaseSX Supervisor
#module 3 empty
#module 4 : 24-port 10/100BaseTX Ethernet
!--- Ports 4/13-24 are assigned to VLAN 2.
set vlan 2 4/13-24
!--- The ISL trunking mode is set to on.
!--- Depending on your network and requirements, set the trunking mode accordingly.
set trunk 4/1 on isl 1-1005
!--- For details on different trunking modes, refer to
!--- Configuring VLAN Trunks on Fast Ethernet and Gigabit Ethernet Ports
!--- Portfast has been enabled on the ports connected to the workstations.
set spantree portfast 4/2-24 enable
!--- For details on why to enable portfast, refer to
!--- Using Portfast and Other Commands to Fix Workstation Startup Connectivity Delays
#module 5 empty
#module 6 empty
#module 7 empty
#module 8 empty
#module 9 empty
#module 10 empty
#module 11 empty
#module 12 empty
#module 13 empty
end
```

```
set option fddi-user-pri enabled
set password $2$J75L$Ug4163kfeHTDcLJZ/L9es1
set enablepass $2$h/BN$i3S54iNvIXknFelh6gOve0
#errordetection
set errordetection portcounter enable
#system
set system name cat5000
#frame distribution method
set port channel all distribution Mac both
#vtp
!--- In this example, the VTP mode is set to be transparent.
!--- Depending on your network and requirements, set the VTP mode accordingly.
set vtp mode transparent
!--- For details on VTP, refer to Configuring VTP.
set vlan 1 name default type ethernet mtu 1500 said 100001 state active
set vlan 1002 name fddi-default type fddi mtu 1500 said 101002 state active
set vlan 1004 name fddinet-default type fddinet mtu 1500 said 101004 state active stp IEEE
set vlan 1005 name trnet-default type trbrf mtu 1500 said 101005 state active stp IBM
set vlan 2
set vlan 1003 name token-ring-default type trcrf mtu 1500 said 101003 state acti
ve mode srb aremaxhop 7 stemaxhop 7 backupcrf off
#ip
!--- IP address used for management.
set interface sc0 1 10.10.10.3/255.255.255.0 10.10.10.255
#set boot command
set boot config-register 0x2102
set boot system flash slot0:cat5000-sup3.6-1-1.bin
# default port status is enable
#module 1 : 0-port Supervisor III
#module 2 : 12-port 10/100BaseTX Ethernet
#module 3 : 24-port 10/100BaseTX Ethernet
!--- Ports 3/13-24 have been assigned to VLAN 2.
set vlan 2 3/13-24
!--- The ISL trunking mode is set to on.
!--- Depending on your network and requirements, set the trunking mode accordingly.
set trunk 3/1 on isl 1-1005
!--- For details on different trunking modes, refer to
!--- Configuring VLAN Trunks on Fast Ethernet and Gigabit Ethernet Ports
!--- Portfast has been enabled on the ports connected to the workstations.
set spantree portfast 3/2-24 enable
!--- For details on why to enable portfast, refer to
```

```
!--- Using Portfast and Other Commands to Fix Workstation Startup Connectivity Delays

!
!
#module 4 : 24-port 10/100BaseTX Ethernet
!
#module 5 : 12-port 10BaseFL Ethernet
end
```

Verify

This section provides information you can use to confirm your configuration is working properly.

Certain **show** commands in particular, **show tech–support** are supported by the Output Interpreter Tool (registered customers only), which allows you to view an analysis of **show** command output.

Catalyst 5500 Switch

show port capabilities module/port Issue this command to verify whether the port is capable of trunking.

```
cat5500> (enable) show port capabilities 4/1
                                   WS-X5234
Model
                                   4/1
Port
                                  10/100BaseTX
Type
                                   auto,10,100
Speed
                                 half,full
Duplex
Duplex half,full

Trunk encap type 802.1Q,ISL

Trunk mode on,off,desirable,auto,nonegotiate

Channel 4/1-2,4/1-4

Broadcast suppression percentage(0-100)

Flow control receive-(off,on),send-(off,on)

Security yes
Membership
                                static,dynamic
yes
Fast start
QOS scheduling rx-(none),TX(1q4t)
COs rewrite yes
ToS rewrite IP-Precedence
Rewrite
                                  no
UDLD
AuxiliaryVlan 1..1000,1025..4094,untagged,dot1p,none
                                  source, destination
```

cat5500> (enable) show port 4/1

show port *module/port* Issue this command to determine the status of a particular port and whether or not it is trunking.

show trunk Issue this command to verify the trunking status and configuration.

show vtp domain Issue this command to check the VTP information.

cat5500> (enable) show trunk

Catalyst 5000 Switch

show port capabilities *module/port* Issue this command to verify whether the port is capable of trunking.

```
cat5000> (enable) show port capabilities 3/1
Model
                       WS-X5225R
Port
                       3/1
                       10/100BaseTX
Type
                      auto,10,100
Speed
                      half,full
Duplex
Trunk encap type 802.1Q, ISL
Trunk mode on, off, desirable, auto, nonegotiate
                     3/1-2,3/1-4
Channel
Broadcast suppression percentage(0-100)
Flow control receive-(off,on),send-(off,on)
Security
                      yes
Membership
                      static,dynamic
Fast start
                      yes
QOS scheduling rx-(none),TX(none)
```

COs rewrite yes
ToS rewrite IP-Precedence
Rewrite no

UDLD yes

AuxiliaryVlan 1..1000,1025..4094,untagged,dot1p,none SPAN source,destination

source, destination

show port module/port Issue this command to determine the status of a particular port and whether or not it is trunking.

cat5000> (enable) show port 3/1

Port	Name	Status	Vlan	Leve	l Duplex	Speed	Туре
3/1		connected	trunk	norm	al a-full	a-100	10/100BaseTX
Port	rt AuxiliaryVlan AuxVlan-Status						
3/1	none	none					
Port	Security Viola	tion Shutdown-T	Time Age-	Time Max	-Addr Trap	p I	fIndex
3/1	disabled shut	down	0	0	1 disa	abled	57

!--- Output suppressed.

show trunk Issue this command to verify the trunking status and configuration.

cat5000> (enable) show trunk

* - indic	ates vtp doma	in mismatch						
Port	Mode	Encapsulation	Status	Native vlan				
3/1	on	isl	trunking	1				
Port	Vlans allowed on trunk							
3/1	1-1005							
Port	Vlans allowed and active in management domain							
3/1	1-2							
Port	Vlans in spanning tree forwarding state and not pruned							
3/1	1-2							

show vtp domain Issue this command to check the VTP information.

cat5000> (enable) show vtp domain

Domain Name Domain Index VTP Version Local Mode Password Transparent -Vlan-count Max-vlan-storage Config Revision Notifications 6 1023 0 disabled

Last Updater	V2 Mode	Pruning	PruneEligible on Vlans
10.10.10.3	disabled	disabled	2-1000

Troubleshoot

There is currently no specific troubleshooting information available for this configuration.

Related Information

- LAN Product Support Pages
- LAN Switching Support Page
- Technical Support & Documentation Cisco Systems

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