# 802.1Q Trunking Between Catalyst Switches Running CatOS

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## Introduction

This document provides sample configurations on 802.1Q (dot1q) trunking between a Catalyst 5500 and 5000 switch, both running Catalyst OS (CatOS). Any Catalyst 4000, 5000, or 6000 family member running CatOS can be used in this scenario to obtain the same results.

Trunks carry the traffic of multiple VLANs over a single link, and allow you to extend VLANs across an entire network. Two ways in which Ethernet trunking can be implemented are:

- InterSwitch Link (ISL) protocol ISL is a Cisco–proprietary trunking encapsulation. For more information on ISL, refer to InterSwitch Link Frame Format.
- 802.1Q (IEEE standard) 802.1Q is an industry–standard trunking encapsulation. For more information on 802.1Q, refer to Trunking Between Catalyst 4000, 5000, and 6000 Family Switches Using 802.1Q Encapsulation.

# **Before You Begin**

### Conventions

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

# **Prerequisites**

This document shows the configuration files from the CatOS switches, and the output from the related sample **show** commands. For details on how to configure a 802.1Q trunk between the Catalyst switches, refer to the following document:

• Trunking Between Catalyst 4000, 5000, and 6000 Family Switches Using 802.1Q Encapsulation

## **Components Used**

To create the examples in this document, the following switches were used in a lab environment with cleared configurations:

- Catalyst 5500 switch running Catalyst OS 6.4(2) software
- Catalyst 6500 switch running Catalyst OS 6.4(2) software

The configurations on all devices were cleared with the **clear config all** command to ensure they had a default configuration.

The information presented in this document was created from devices in a specific lab environment. All of the devices used in this document started with a cleared (default) configuration. If you are working in a live network, ensure that you understand the potential impact of any command before using it.

## **Background Theory**

Note the following:

- The Catalyst 4000 family switches (including Catalyst 2948G and Catalyst 2980G) only supports 802.1Q trunking, not ISL trunking. For more information, refer to System Requirements to Implement Trunking.
- All Ethernet ports on the Catalyst 6000/6500 support 802.1Q and ISL encapsulation, with the exception of the 10-Gigabit Ethernet switching module, which does not support ISL.
- Depending on the module, Catalyst 5000 trunk capable ports 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:

```
cat5509> show port capabilities 2/1
Model
                       WS-X5550
Port
                       1000BaseSX
Type
Speed
                      1000
Duplex
                      full
Trunk encap type 802.1Q,ISL
!-- This particular port supports both 802.1Q and ISL.
```

```
Trunk mode
                        on, off, desirable, auto, nonegotiate
Channel
Broadcast suppression percentage(0-100)
Flow control
                        receive-(off,on,desired),send-(off,on,desired)
Security
Dot1x
                         yes
Membership
Fast start
QOS scheduling
                        static
                       yes
                       rx-(none),tx-(none)
CoS rewrite
                        no
ToS rewrite
                        no
Rewrite
                        no
UDLD
                        yes
AuxiliaryVlan
                        source, destination
SPAN
cat5509> (enable)
```

For more information on system requirements for trunking, refer to System Requirements to Implement

Trunking.

- Make sure 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.
- In 802.1Q trunking, all VLAN packets are tagged on the trunk link, except the native VLAN. The native VLAN packets are sent untagged on the trunk link. Therefore, the native VLAN should be same on both switches configured for trunking. This way, we can deduce to which VLAN a frame belongs when we receive a frame with no tag. By default, VLAN 1 is the native VLAN on all switches.
  - ◆ In CatOS, the native VLAN can be changed by issuing the **set vlan** *vlan-id mod/port* command, where *mod/port* is the trunk port.

For more information refer to Trunking Between Catalyst 4000, 5000, and 6000 Family Switches Using 802.1Q Encapsulation.

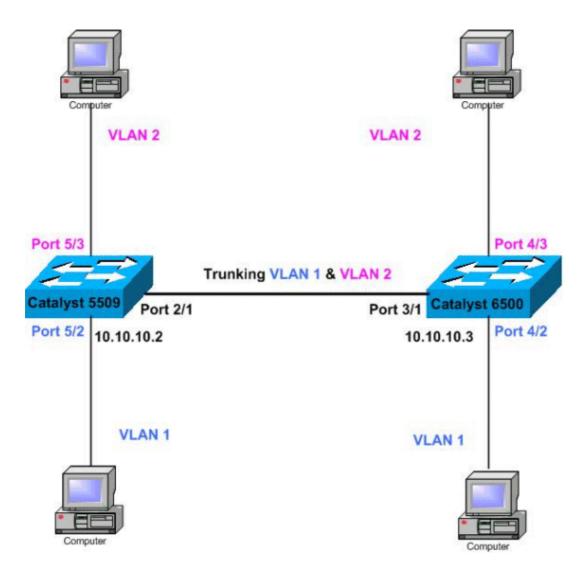
# Configure

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 the network setup shown in the diagram below.



# **Configurations**

This document uses the configurations shown below.

**Note:** Comments between the outputs are added in blue italics.

- Catalyst 5509
- Catalyst 6500

```
#version 6.4(2)

!
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 cat5509
!
#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, set the VLAN Trunking Protocol (VTP)
!--- mode accordingly.
set vtp mode transparent
!--- For details on VTP, refer to Configuring VTP on Catalyst Switches.
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-supg.6-4-2.bin
# default port status is enable
#module 1 empty
#module 2 : 2-port 1000BaseX Supervisor IIIG
!--- The dotlq trunking mode is set to on. Depending on your network
!--- and requirements, set the trunking mode accordingly.
set trunk 2/1 on dot1q 1-1005
!--- For details on different trunking modes, refer to
!--- Configuring VLAN Trunks on Fast Ethernet and Gigabit Ethernet Ports.
#module 3 empty
#module 4 empty
#module 5 : 24-port 10/100BaseTX Ethernet
!--- Ports 5/3-24 have been assigned to VLAN 2.
set vlan 2
              5/3-24
!--- Portfast has been enabled on the ports connected to the workstations.
set spantree portfast 5/2-24 enable
!--- For details on why to enable portfast, refer to
!--- Using PortFast and Other Commands to Fix Workstation Startup Connectivity Delays.
#module 6 empty
```

```
!--- Output suppressed.
```

#set boot command

set module name

set boot config-register 0x2102

# default port status is enable

#module 2 : 12-port 10/100BaseTX Ethernet

#module 3 : 8-port 1000BaseX Ethernet

3

set boot system flash slot0:cat6000-sup2.6-4-2.bin

#module 1 : 2-port 1000BaseX Supervisorset module name 1

end

# Catalyst 6500 #Version 6.4(2)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 cat6500 #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, set the VTP mode accordingly. set vtp mode transparent !--- For details on VTP, refer to !--- Configuring VTP on Catalyst Switches. 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 !--- The lines below are wrapped around for display reasons. 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 active 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

# Verify

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

Certain **show** commands are supported by the Output Interpreter tool (registered customers only), which allows you to view an analysis of **show** command output.

- show port capabilities module/port
- show port module/port
- show trunk
- show vtp domain

# **Sample show Command Output**

#### Catalyst 5509 Switch

The following are some of the commands used to verify the trunking configurations:

**show port capabilities** *module/port* – This command is used to verify if the port is capable of trunking.

```
cat5509> (enable) show port capabilities 2/1

Model WS-X5550

Port 2/1

Type 1000BaseSX

Speed 1000

Duplex full

Trunk encap type 802.1Q,ISL

!--- This particular port supports both 802.1Q and ISL
```

Trunk mode on, off, desirable, auto, nonegotiate Channel Broadcast suppression percentage(0-100) Flow control receive-(off,on,desired),send-(off,on,desired) Security no Dot1x yes Membership static Fast start yes QOS scheduling rx-(none), TX(1q4t)COs rewrite ToS rewrite no Rewrite no UDLD yes

AuxiliaryVlan SPAN source, destination

no

cat5509> (enable)

!--- Output suppressed.

cat5500> (enable) show trunk

**show port** *module/port* – This command tells the status of a particular port, and whether or not it is trunking.

	09> (enable) Name	_		Vla	an Le	vel Duplex	Speed	d Type
2/1		co	nnected	i trur	nk nor	mal full	1000	1000BaseSX
Port	Trap	IfIndex						
2/1	disabled	47						
Port	Broadcas	st-Limit E	Broadcas	st-Drop	Þ			
2/1		-		(	- )			
	Send FlowCo	er ad	lmin	oper		ause TxI	ause	Unsupported opcodes
	desired of					0		0
Port	Align-Err	FCS-Err	Xmit-	-Err	Rcv-Err	UnderSize		
2/1	0		0	0	2	0		
Port	Single-Col	Multi-Col	.l Late-	-Coll	Excess-Col	Carri-Sen	Runts	Giants
2/1	0		0	0	0	0		0 -

**show trunk** – This command is used to verify the trunking status and configuration.

* - indic	ates vtp doma	in mismatch					
Port	Mode	Encapsulation	Status	Native vlan			
4/1	on	dot1q	trunking	1			
Port	Vlans allowed on trunk						
4/1	1-1005						
Port	Vlans allowe	d and active in	management do	omain			
4/1	1-2						

Port	Vlans in spanning tree forwarding state and not pruned
4/1	1-2

**show vtp domain** – This command is used to check the VTP information.

If you have the output of a **show–tech support** command from your Cisco device, you can use Output Interpreter (registered customers only) to display potential issues and fixes.

#### Catalyst 6500 Switch

Following are some of the commands used to verify the trunking configurations:

**show port capabilities** *module/port* – This command is used to verify if the port is capable of trunking.

```
cat6500> (enable) show port capabilities 3/1
Model
                                 WS-X6408A-GBIC
                                 3/1
Port
                                1000BaseSX
Type
Speed
                                1000
Duplex full
Trunk encap type 802.1Q,ISL
Trunk mode on,off,desirable,auto,nonegotiate
Channel ves
                               yes
Broadcast suppression percentage(0-100)

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

Security yes

Dotlx yes

Membership static,dynamic

Fast start yes
QOS scheduling rx-(1p1q4t),tx-(1p2q2t)
CoS rewrite yes
ToS rewrite
                                 DSCP
                                yes
UDLD
                               no
Inline power
                              no
AuxiliaryVlan
                               source, destination
SPAN
COPS port group 3/1-4
Link debounce timer yes
```

**show port** *module/port* – This command tells the status of a particular port, and whether or not it is trunking.

cat6500> (enable) show port 3/1								
Port	Name	Status	Vlan	Duplex	Speed Type	9		
3/1		connected	trunk	full	1000 1000	)BaseSX		
Port	Security Violation	Shutdown-Time	e Age-Time	Max-Addr	Trap	IfIndex		
3/1	disabled shutdown	0	0	1	disabled	61		

**show trunk** – This command is used to verify the trunking status and configuration.

**show vtp domain** – This command is used to check the VTP information.

# **Troubleshoot**

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

## **Related Information**

- Trunking Between Catalyst 4000, 5000, and 6000 Family Switches Using 802.1q Encapsulation
- Configuring VLAN Trunks on Fast Ethernet and Gigabit Ethernet Ports
- Configuring VTP on Catalyst Switches
- Using PortFast and Other Commands to Fix Workstation Startup Connectivity Delays
- LAN Switching Technology Support
- Catalyst LAN and ATM Switches Product Support
- Technical Support Cisco Systems