# Fiber Optic Switch Frequency Band Configuration Method



## Overview

Cisco Nexus 9000 Series NX-OS Interfaces 400G Digital Coherent Optics is configurable and allows configuration for the following parameters on the optics.

## Key Takeaways

The frequency band of a fiber optic switch is configured by setting the optical transceiver wavelength or channel, typically using tunable DWDM/CWDM optics and switch commands. Steps to Configure Frequency on a Fiber Optic Switch1. Verify Transceiver Compatibility Ensure the fiber optic module supports tunable wavelengths or the desired DWDM/CWDM channel.

Some modules, like Cisco 400G Digital Coherent Optics (DCO), allow frequency configuration via the zr-optics frequency command on Nexus switches. Using incompatible or third-party SFPs may cause link instability. 2.

### Access the Switch CL

I Connect to the switch using a terminal client (e.g., PuTTY) and log in with administrative credentials. Confirm the interface intended for fiber optics is enabled and supports the required speed and duplex settings. 3.

Configure the Optical Frequency For tunable DWDM transceivers: Identify the ITU channel or C-BAND frequency you want to use. On Cisco Nexus switches, use the command:interface zr-optics frequency This sets the transceiver to the desired frequency for DWDM operation. For other vendors, use the provided management software or app (e.g., FLEXOPTIX-App) to select the wavelength.

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4.

### Adjust Related Optical Parameters

Modulation: Choose QPSK, 8 QAM, or 16 QAM depending on link requirements.

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C Mode: Set cFEC or oFEC to control error correction. Tx Power: Ensure transmitted optical power is within the module's supported range. Chromatic Dispersion (CD): Configure CD min/max to optimize signal quality.

5. Save Configuration After setting the frequency and other parameters, save the configuration to the switch's startup configuration:copy running-config startup-config This ensures the settings persist after a reboot. 6.

Verify Configuration Use commands like show interface transceiver details to confirm the frequency, power levels, and firmware versions of the optical module. Test the link to ensure proper connectivity and performance.

### Additional Tips

Always follow vendor-specific guidelines for DWDM/CWDM channel spacing and power levels. Avoid visual exposure to fiber optic lasers; use proper safety precautions. If using breakout interfaces (e.g., 4x100G from a 400G transceiver), configure the breakout before setting the frequency.

By following these steps, you can configure the frequency band of a fiber optic switch to optimize performance and ensure compatibility with your optical network.

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