

LRM Benefits Overview



New IEEE Optical Standard Enables Cost-Effective 10 Gigabit Ethernet Adoption

 Over 80% of the fiber deployed on the campus and in building backbones are multimode fiber (MMF)

> To cost effectively upgrade from 1 gigabit to 10 Gigabit Ethernet using the same cabling plant requires a new optical interface

 The new IEEE optical standard, IEEE 802.3aq, addresses this issue by:

Supporting distances of up to 220m on all grades of MMF

Lowering power, heat, and latency

Allowing customers to use their existing MMF fiber cabling

 Cisco is the first in the industry to offer a 10GBASE-LRM (Long Reach Multimode) optical interface for use in campus networks and in data centers with legacy MMF



Accelerating 10 Gigabit Ethernet Adoption in the Campus

- The Cisco X2 10 Gigabit Ethernet LRM Optical Module is fully compliant with IEEE 802.3aq
- Supported in the Cisco Catalyst[®] 6500 Series, Cisco Catalyst 4500 Series, and Cisco Catalyst 3750-E Series
- Completes the Cisco 10 Gigabit Ethernet portfolio for MMF
- Fraction of the cost of existing 10 Gigabit Ethernet optics
- Drives down the price per port for a 10 Gigabit Ethernet deployment



Cisco X2 10 Gigabit Ethernet LRM Module

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