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1 Introduction

Congratulations on becoming the owner of the ASUS GigaX L3 managed switch! You may now manage your LAN (local area network) through a friendly and powerful user interface.

This user guide tells you how to set up the GigaX L3 managed switch, and how to customize its configuration to get the most out of this product.

1.1 L2/L3 managed features

- Twelve 10/100/1000BASE-T auto-sensing Gigabit Ethernet switching ports
- Two small form factor (SFP) Gigabit interface converter (GBIC) slots
- Automatic MDI/MDIX support for 10/100/1000BASE-T ports
- Compliant with 802.3z and 802.3ab specifications
- 802.1D transparent bridge/spanning tree protocol
- 16K MAC address cache with hardware-assisted aging
- 802.3x flow control
- 802.1Q-based tagged VLAN, up to 4094 VLANs
- 802.1p class of service, 8 queues per port
- IGMP snooping support
- 802.3ad link aggregation (trunking), up to 6 trunk groups
- Port Mirroring
- Access Control List
- RMON: support 4 groups (1, 2, 3, 9)
- SNMP v1, v2
- MIB-II
- Enterprise MIB for PSU, fan, and system temperature, voltage
- Telnet remote login
- FTP for firmware update and configuration backup
- Command Line Interpreter through console and telnet
- Web GUI
- LEDs for port link status
- LEDs system, redundant power supply (RPS), and fan status
- L3-Interface setup
- RIP configuration
- Static route management

1.2 Conventions used in this document

1.2.1 Notations

- Acronyms are defined the first time they appear in text and in the glossary.
- For brevity, the GigaX switch is referred to as “the switch.”
- The terms *LAN* and *network* are used interchangeably to refer to a group of Ethernet-connected computers at one site.
- The illustrations and web interface screens refer to both the GigaX 3112 and GigaX 3124 models, except otherwise indicated.

1.2.2 Typography

- *Italics* are used to present the parameters for the command line interpreter.
- **Boldface** type text is used for items you select from menus and drop-down lists, and text strings you type when prompted by the program.

1.2.3 Symbols

This document uses the following icons to call your attention to specific instructions or explanations.



Note: Provides clarification or additional information on the current topic.



Definition: Explains terms or acronyms that may be unfamiliar to many readers. These terms are also included in the Glossary.



WARNING: Provides messages of high importance, including messages relating to personal safety or system integrity.

2 Getting to know the GigaX

2.1 Package contents

The GigaX switch package comes with the following items:

- GigaX 3112 L3 managed switch
- AC Power cord
- Null modem cable for console interface (DB9)
- Rack installation kit (two brackets with six #6-32 screws)
- USB cable for console interface
- Installation CD-ROM
- Quick installation guide

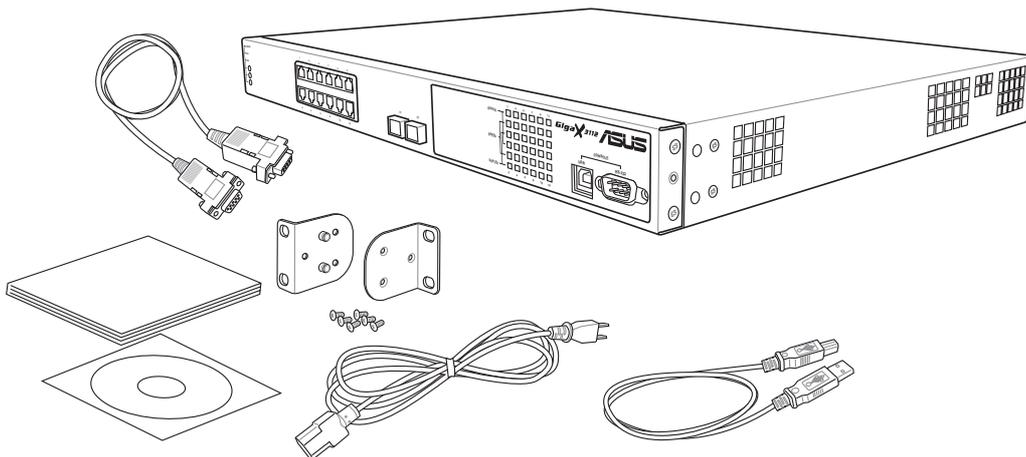


Figure 1. GigaX L3 managed switch package contents

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2.2 Front panel

The front panel includes LED indicators and system console. LED indicators show the system, RPS, fan, and port status.

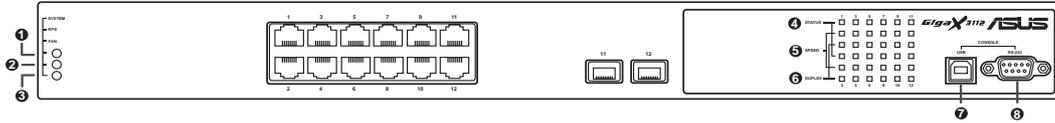


Figure 2. Front panel (GigaX 3112)

Table 1. Front panel labels and LEDs

No.	Label	Color	Status	Description
❶	SYSTEM	Green	On	Unit is powered on
			Flashing	Self-test, INIT, or downloading
		Amber	On	Abnormal temperature or voltage
			Off	No power
❷	RPS	Green	On	The PSU is working properly and the switch has a good redundant power supply
		Amber	On	The PSU is abnormal and the switch is powered by RPS
		Off	No power at all (system LED is also off), RPS does not work properly or not installed (system LED is on)	
❸	FAN	Green	On	Both fans are working properly
		Amber	On	Both or either one of the fans stopped
❹	10/100/1000 port status	Green	On	Link (RJ-45 or SFP) is present; port is enabled
			Flashing	Data is being transmitted/received
			Off	No Ethernet link
		Amber	On	Link is present, but port is disabled either manually or by spanning tree
			Flashing	Port is in one of the STP blocking, listening and learning state
❺	10/100/1000 port speed	Green	On	1000Mbps
		Amber	On	100Mbps
			Off	10Mbps
❻	Duplex status	Green	On	Full duplex
		Amber	On	Simplex
❼	Console USB			USB port for console management
❽	Console RS232			RS-232 serial port for console management

2.3 Rear panel

The switch rear panel contains the swappable fans and power connections.

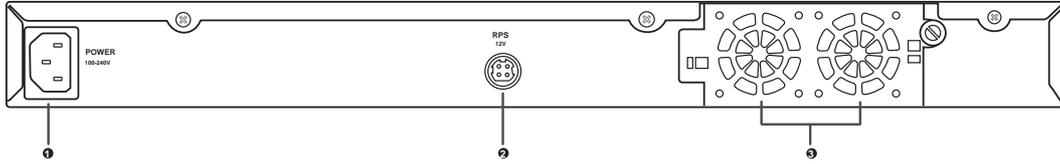


Figure 3. Rear panel

Table 2. Rear panel labels

No.	Label	Description
①	Power	Connects to the supplied power cord
②	RPS	Redundant Power Supply connector
③	FAN1 – FAN2	Replaceable system fans

2.4 Technical specifications

Table 3. Technical specifications

Physical Dimensions	43.5mm(H) X 444 mm(W) X 322mm(D)		
Power	Input	Consumption	
	100-240V AC/2.5A 50-60Hz	< 65 watts	
Redundant Power Supply (RPS)	Input	Output	
	100-240V AC/1.8A 50-60Hz	12V DC/12.5A	
Environmental Ranges		Operating:	Storage:
	Temperature	0 to 50C (32 to 122F)	-40 to 70C (-40 to 158F)
	Humidity	15 to 90%	0 to 95%
Replaceable Fans	Altitude	up to 10,000 ft (3,000m)	40,000 ft (12,000m)
	Dimensions	Voltage and Current	Speed:
	40 x 40 x 20 mm	12VDC, 0.13A	8200RPM

3 Quick start guide

This section provides the basic instructions to set up the GigaX environment. Refer also to the GigaX Series Installation Guide.

Part 1 shows you how to install the GigaX on a flat surface or on a rack.

Part 2 provides instructions to set up the hardware.

Part 3 shows you how to configure basic settings on the GigaX.

Obtain the following information from your network administrator before proceeding:

IP address for the switch

Default gateway for the network

Network mask for this network

3.1 Part 1 — Installing the hardware

3.1.1 Installing the switch on a flat surface

The switch should be installed on a level surface that can support the weight of the switches and their accessories. Attach four rubber pads on the marked location on the bottom of the switch.

3.1.2 Mounting the switch on a rack

1. Attach brackets to each side of the switch and make the posts insert to the switch.
2. Insert and tighten two screws to securely attach the bracket to the rack on each side.

3.2 Part 2 — Setting up the switch

Connect the device to the power outlet, and your computer or network. See Figure 4.

3.2.1 Connect the console port

For console management, use an RS-232 (DB9) or a USB cable to connect the switch. If you want to use WEB interface, connect your PC to the switch using the Ethernet cable.

3.2.2 Connect to the computers or a LAN

You can use Ethernet cable to connect computers directly to the switch ports. You can also connect hubs/switches to the switch ports by Ethernet cables. You can use either the crossover or straight-through Ethernet cable to connect computers, hubs, or switches.

Use a twisted-pair Category 5 Ethernet cable to connect the 1000BASE-T port. Otherwise, the link speed can not reach 1Gbps.

3.2.3 Attach the RPS module

Connect your RPS module to the RPS jack and make sure the other end of the RPS is connected to the power cord. Connect to the power cord to a grounded power outlet.

3.2.4 Attach the power cord

1. Connect the AC power cord to the POWER receptacle on the back of the switch and plug the other end of the power cord into a wall outlet or a power strip.
2. Check the front LED indicators with the description in Table 4. If the LEDs light up as described, the switch hardware is working properly.

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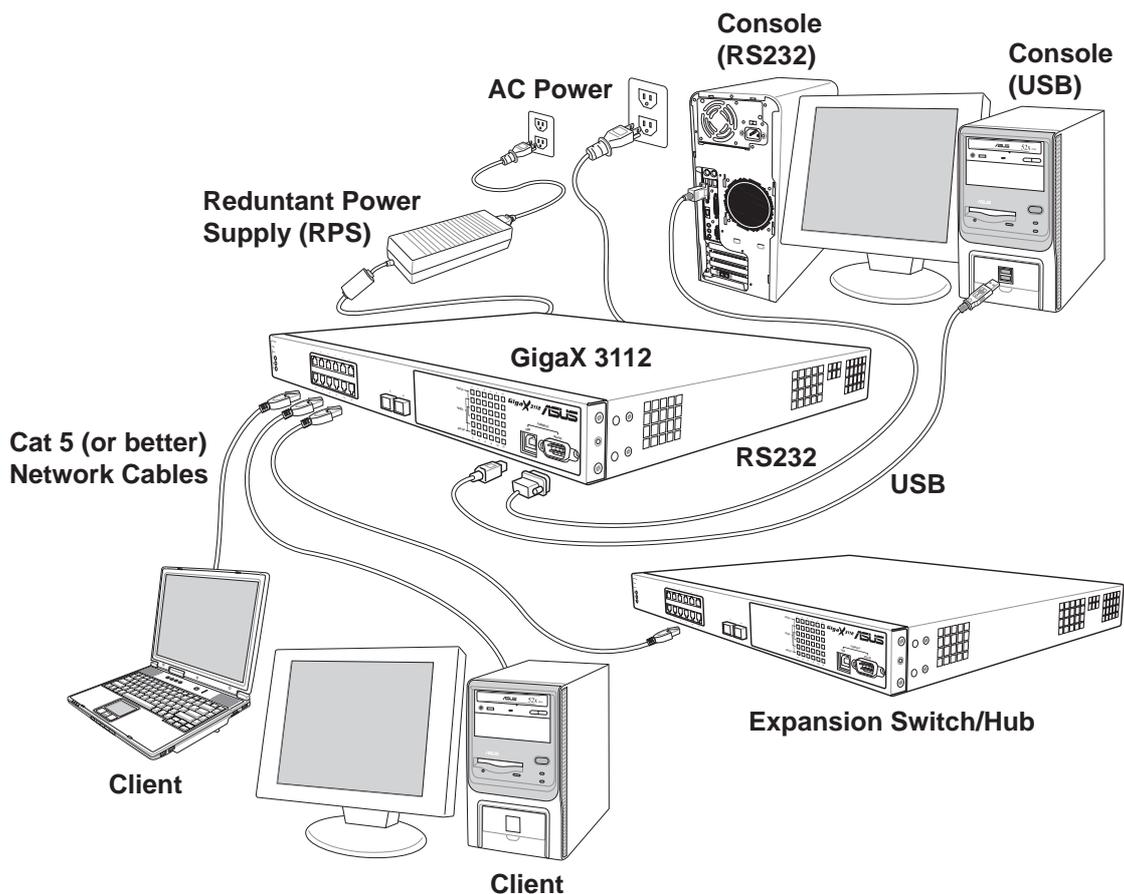


Figure 4. Overview of hardware connections

Table 4. LED Indicators

No.	LED	Description
1	System	Solid green indicates that the device is turned on. If this light is off, check if the power adapter if attached to the switch and plugged into a power source.
2	Switch ports [1] to [12] (3112) [1] to [24] (3124)	Solid green indicates that the device can communicate with the LAN, or flashing when the device is sending or receiving data from your LAN computer.
3	RPS	Solid green indicates that the device has successfully installed an RPS module.
4	Fan	Solid green indicates that all fans work properly

3.3 Part 3 — Basic switch setting for management

After completing the hardware connections, configure the basic settings for your switch. You can manage the switch using the following methods:

- Web interface: the switch has a set of pages to allow to you manage it using Java[®]-enabled IE5.0 or higher version.
- Command Line Interface: use console port to manage the switch.

3.3.1 Setting up through the console port

1. Use the supplied crossover RS-232 cable to connect to the console port on the front of the switch. This port is a male DB-9 connector, implemented as a data terminal equipment (DTE) connection. Tighten the retaining screws on the cable to secure it on the connector. Connect the other end of the cable to a PC running terminal emulation software. e.g Hyper Terminal.
2. Use the supplied USB cable to connect to a PC. You have to install the USB driver from the switch CD-ROM before the USB can work properly. The USB drivers will simulate an additional COM port under Windows ME/2K/XP OS.
3. Make sure the settings of your terminal emulation software as follows:
 - a) Choose the appropriate serial port number
 - b) Set the data baud rate to 9600
 - c) Set the data format to no parity, 8 data bits and 1 stop bit
 - d) No flow control
 - e) Set VT100 for emulation mode
4. After setting up the terminal, you can see the prompt “(ASUS)%” on the terminal.
5. Type “login” to access the command line interface. The default user name is “admin”. Skip the password by pressing <Enter>.

You can change the password at any time through CLI (see section 5.3.1). To protect your switch from unauthorized access, you must change the default password as soon as possible.

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6. Follow these steps to assign an IP address to the switch:
 - a) Type “net interface ip sw0 <your ip address> <your network mask>”. For example, if your switch IP is 192.168.10.1 and the network mask is 255.255.255.0. Then you should type “net interface ip sw0 192.168.10.1 255.255.255.0”.
 - b) If the switch has to be managed across networks, then a default gateway or a static route entry is required. Type:

```
net route static add 0.0.0.0 <your network gateway IP> 0.0.0.0 1
```

as your default route entry, as shown in Figure 5.

```
(Asus)% login
user name: admin
password: ****
user 'admin' logged in
(Asus)% net interface ip sw0 192.168.10.1 255.255.255.0
IP address set successfully
(Asus)% net route static add 0.0.0.0 192.168.10.254 0.0.0.0 1
Route added successfully
Specific route is added successfully
(Asus)% _
```

Figure 5. Login and IP setup screen

3.3.2 Setting up through the web interface

To successfully connect your PC to the switch, your PC must have a valid IP in your network. Contact your network administrator to obtain a valid IP for the switch. If you wish to change the default IP address of the switch, follow section 3.3.1 to change the IP address. Since the switch does not support DHCP client function, a valid static IP for the switch is necessary to use the Web interface.

7. It is not necessary to login to the Web interface the first time you use it because the default configuration for Web access authentication is disabled. To secure the system configuration, enable the authentication function in the “**Administration**” page under the “**System**” category.
8. From any PC connected to the network that the switch can access, open your Web browser (Internet Explorer), and type **http://192.168.1.1** in the address/location box, and press <Enter>. This is the factory default IP address of the switch. A login screen appears, as shown in Figure 6.



Figure 6. Login screen

Enter your user name and password, and then click [OK] to enter the Configuration Manager. Use the following defaults the first time you log into this interface:

Default User Name: Admin

Default Password: (no password)

You can change the password at any time (see section 5.3.1 System commands).

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9. To setup a new IP address, click “**IP Interface**”, select **SW0**. Fill in the IP address, network mask and default gateway, then click.**[OK]**
10. If your new address is different from the default, the browser can not update the switch status window or retrieve any page. This is normal. You have to retype the new IP address in the address/location box, and press **<Enter>**. The WEB link returns.
11. To enable authentication for Web access, click “**Administration**” on the menu list, then select “**Enabled**” to start the protection.
A login window appears immediately after you click **[OK]**.

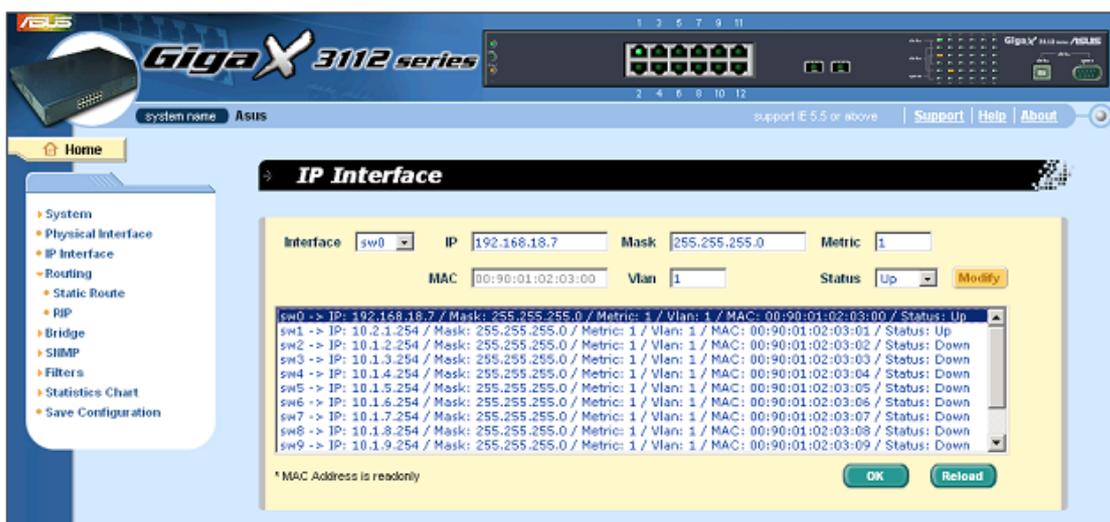


Figure 7. IP setup

4 Management with the web interface

The switch provides Web pages that allow switch management through the Internet. The program is designed to work best with Microsoft Internet Explorer® 5.5, or later versions. **NOTE:** Netscape is not supported.

4.1 Log into web user interface

1. From a PC, open your web browser, type **http://192.168.1.1** in the web address (or location) box, and press **<Enter>**. This is the factory default IP address for the switch. A login screen displays, as shown in Figure 8.



Figure 8. Configuration manager login screen

2. Enter your user name and password, then click **[OK]**.
Use the following defaults the first time you log into the program. You can change the password at any time through CLI interface (see section 5.3.1).
Default User Name: admin
Default Password: <no password>

The home page appears each time you log into the program. See Figure 9).

Log in is not required if you do not enable web access authentication.

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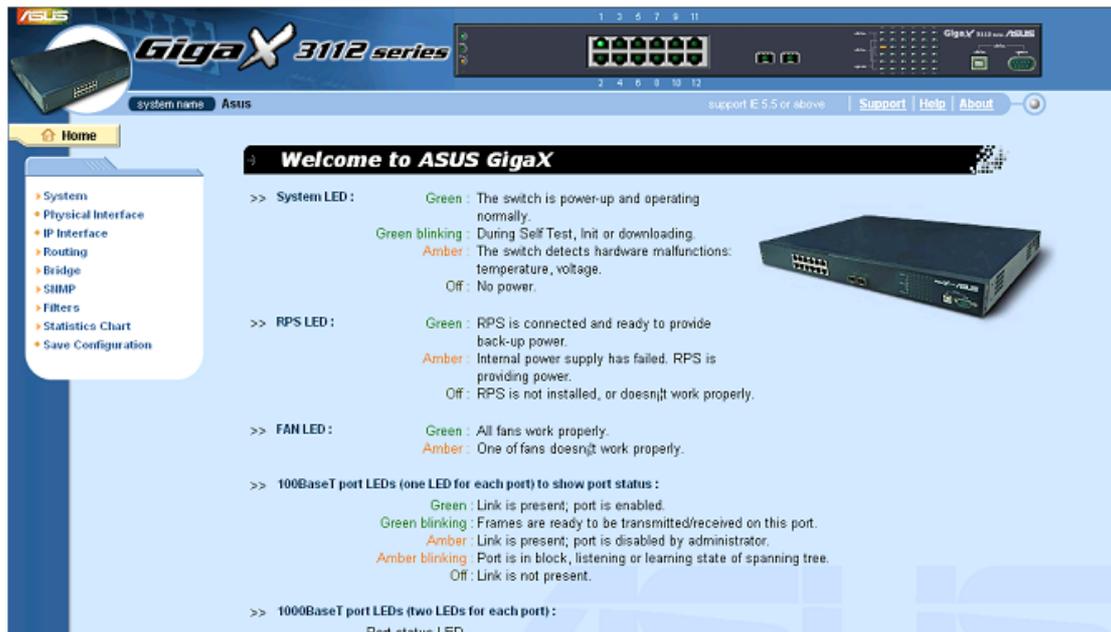


Figure 9. Home page (GigaX 3112)

4.2 Functional layout

Typical web page consists of three separate frames. The top frame has a switch logo and front panel as shown in Figures 10. This frame remains on the top of the browser window all the times and updates the LED status periodically. See Table 4 for the LED definitions. See Table 5 for the color status description.

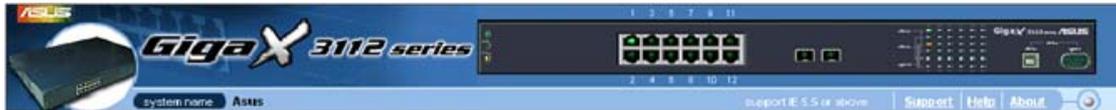


Figure 10. Top frame (GigaX 3112)

Table 5. Port color description

Port Color	Description
Green port	Ethernet link is established
Black	No Ethernet link
Amber port	Link is present but port is disabled manually or by spanning tree

Clicking on the port icon of the switch displays the port configuration in the lower right frame.

The left frame, a menu frame as shown in Figure 11, contains all the features available for switch configuration. These features are grouped into categories, e.g. System, Bridge, etc. You can click on any of these to display a specific configuration page.



Figure 11. Expanded menu list

The right frame displays configuration pages or graphics for the statistics. See section 4.3 for details.

4.2.1 Menu navigation tips

- To expand a group of related menus, click on the corresponding group name. The sign [>] will change to [v] after expansion.
- To contract a group of related menus: click on the corresponding group name. The sign [>] will appear next to the group name.
- To open a specific configuration page, click on the desired menu item.

4.2.2 Commonly used buttons and icons

The following table describes the function for each button and icon used in the application.

Table 6. Commonly used buttons and icons

Button/icon	Function
[OK]	Stores any changes you have made on the current page.
[Add]	Adds the existing configuration to the system, e.g. a static MAC address or a firewall ACL rule and etc.
[Modify]	Modifies an existing entry
[Edit]	Modifies the existing configuration in the system, e.g. a static route or a filter ACL rule and etc.
[Remove]	Deletes the selected item, e.g. a static route or a filter ACL rule and etc.
[Reload]	Re-displays the current page with updated statistics or settings.

4.3 System pages

System pages include management, administration, reboot, and firmware update function.

4.3.1 Management

The **Management** page contains the following information:

Model Name:	product name
MAC Address:	switch MAC address
System Name:	user assigned name to identify the system (editable)
System Contact	(editable)
System Location	(editable)

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To save any changes and make it effective immediately, click [OK]. Use [Reload] to refresh the setting, as shown in Figure 12.

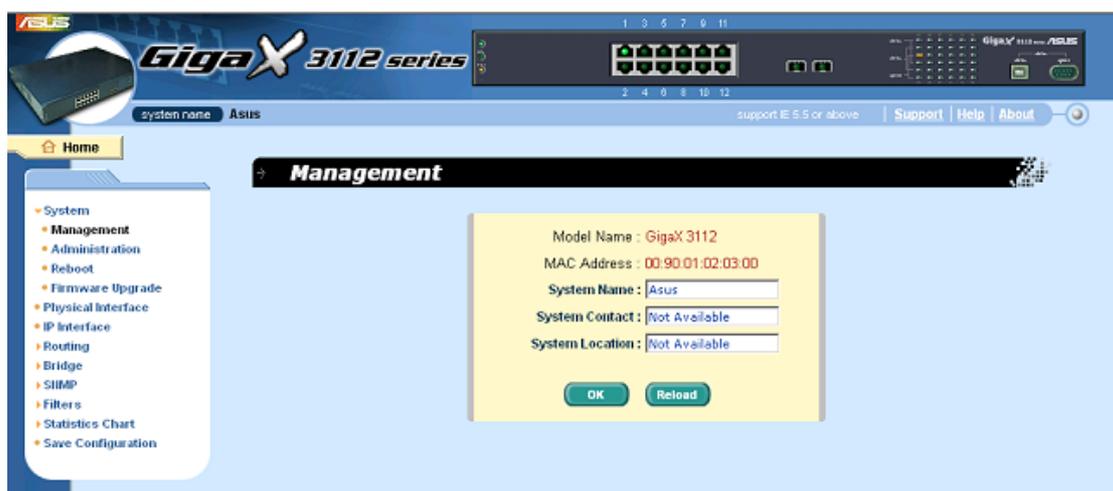


Figure 12. Management page

4.3.2 Administration

The **Administration** page allows you enable or disable the authentication for web user by *password protection*. The default setting for web access does not require any authentication.

To save any changes and make it effective immediately, click [OK].. Use [Reload] to refresh the setting, as shown in Figure 13. When you enable the password protection, you have to login again immediately.

Note: You can change the password at any time through the CLI interface.

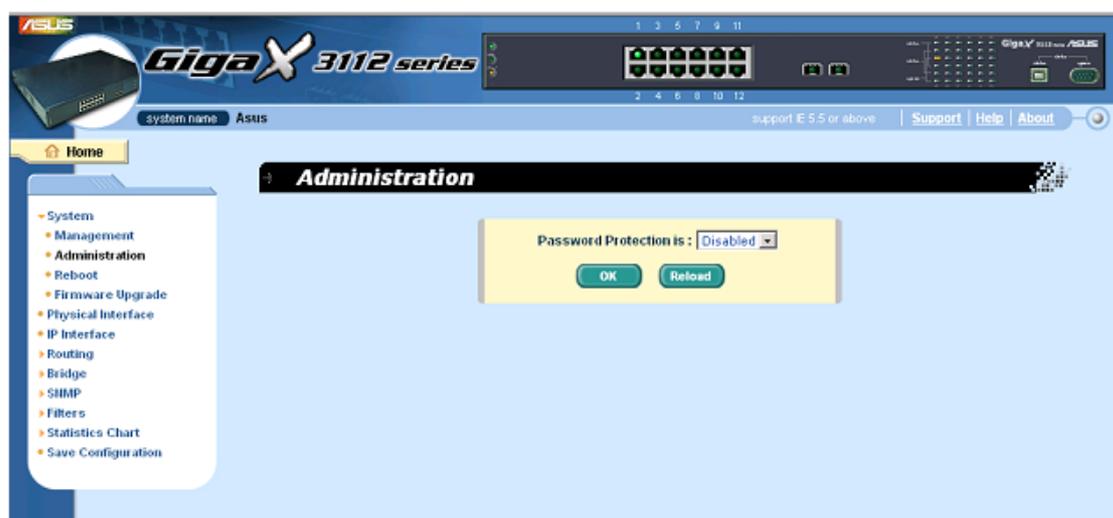


Figure 13. Administration page

4.3.3 Reboot

The **Reboot** page contains a [**Reboot**] button. Clicking the button reboots the system.



Rebooting the system stops the network traffic and terminates the Web interface connection.

4.3.4 Firmware upgrade

The **Firmware** page contains the following information:

- Hardware Version: shows the hardware revision number.
- Boot ROM Version: shows the version of the boot code
- Firmware Version: shows the current running firmware version. This number will be updated after the firmware update.

Enter the firmware location into the firmware space directly, or click [**Browse**] to choose the file name of the firmware from prompt window. Click [**Upload**] to update the switch firmware. See Figure 14 for reference.



Clicking the upload button loads the assigned firmware to the switch, then reboot system after a successful firmware update. You have to re-login to web interface again

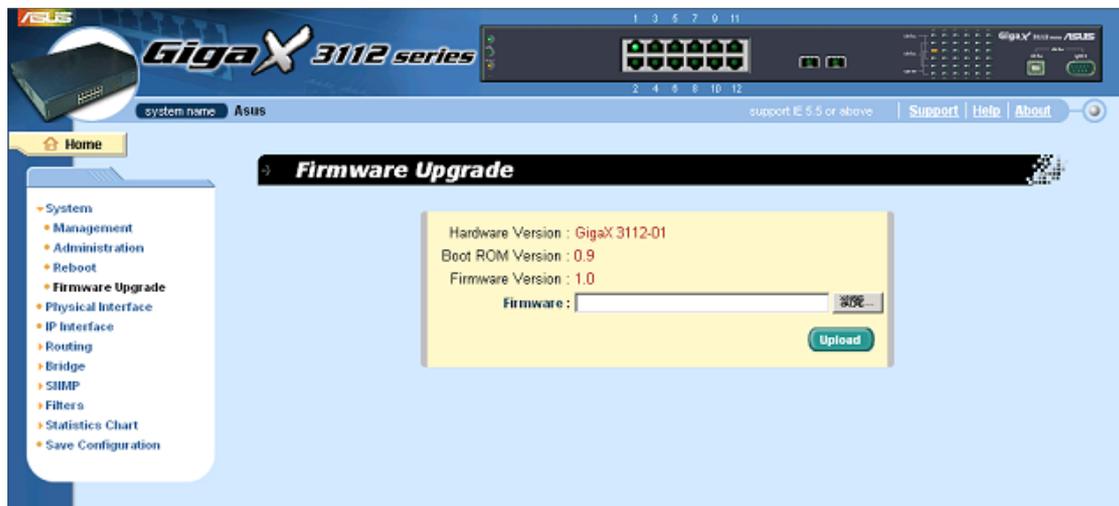


Figure 14. Firmware upgrade page

4.4 Physical interface

The Physical Interface displays the Ethernet port status in real time. You can configure the port in following fields:

Port: select the port to configure

Admin: disable/enable the port

Mode: set the speed and duplex mode

Flow Control: enable/disable 802.3x flow control mechanism

Port Status Window: displays the following information for each port

a) Link status: the link speed and duplex for an existing link, otherwise link is down

b) State: the STP state

c) Admin: the setting value to disable or enable the port

d) Mode: the setting value for link speed and duplex mode

e) Flow Control: the setting value to enable or disable 802.3x flow control mechanism

Select the corresponding port number and configure the port setting, then click on the **[Modify]** button. The field you change will update the content of the display window. However, the new settings do not take effect until the "Save Configuration" is executed.

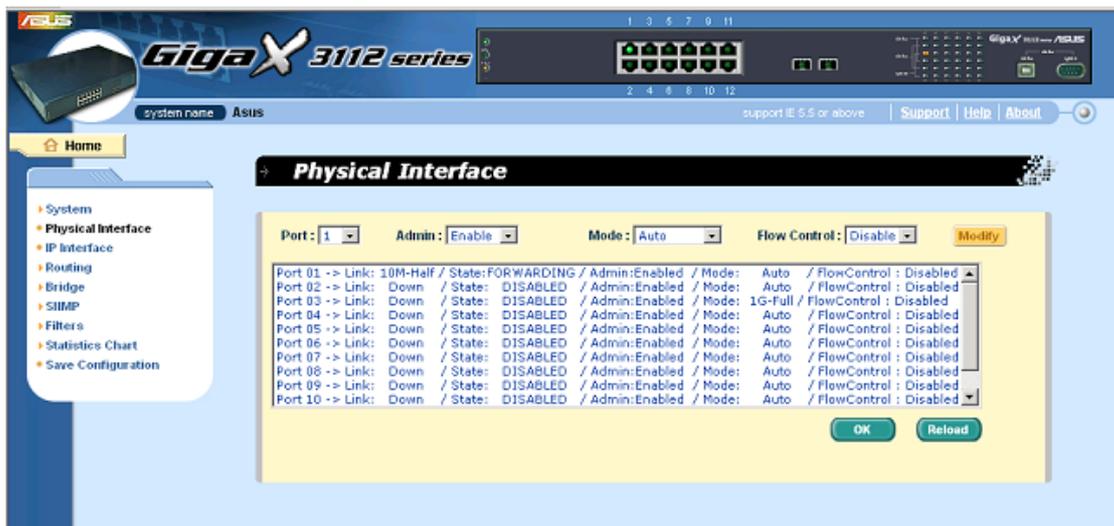


Figure 15. Physical interface

4.5 Bridge

The **Bridge** page group contains most layer 2 configurations, like link aggregation, STP, etc.

4.5.1 Spanning tree

The configuration page for Spanning Tree Protocol can disable and enable the feature in runtime. This page consists of three parts.

The first part shows the root information. It tells user the STP setting about the root switch.

The second part is the STP setting. The following options are available:

Disable/Enable: Turn the STP off/on. When you turn the STP on, STP will use the following settings if the switch is the root switch.

Hello Time: the interval between the generation of configuration BPDU

Max Age: a timeout value to be used by all Bridges in the LAN

Forward Delay: a timeout value to be used by all bridges in the LAN

Bridge Priority: the switch priority in the LAN

The third part is the port setting. It contains a display window to show the current configuration for each port. You click **[Modify]** to change the port setting for STP. The following fields are available:

Port: selects the corresponding port to configure

Priority: sets the port priority in the switch. Low numeric value indicates a high priority. The port with lower priority is more likely to be blocked by STP if a network loop is detected. The valid value is from 0 to 255.

Cost: the valid value is from 1 to 65535. The higher cost is more likely to be blocked by STP if a network loop is detected.

FastLink: sets the port to forwarding state when a link comes up. The port then participates in STP resolutions.

Click **[OK]** to effect the settings. Click **[Reload]** to refresh the settings to current value.

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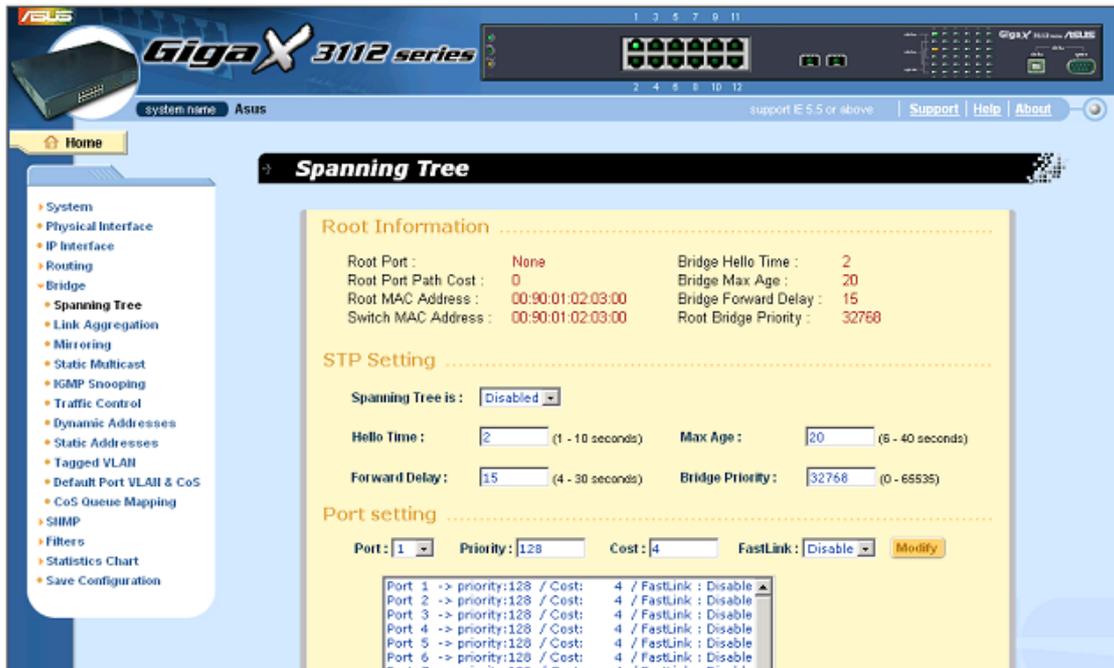


Figure 16. Spanning tree

4.5.2 Link aggregation

The page configures the link aggregation group (port trunking). The switch can have 6 link aggregation groups.

Show Trunk: Select “Add a new Trunk” for a new created group. Or select an existed group to display on the following fields and port icons.

Port Selection Criterion: the algorithm to distribute packets among the ports of the link aggregation group according to source MAC address, destination MAC address, source and destination MAC address, source IP address, destination IP address, or source and destination IP address.

Name: the group name

Trunk ID: a number to identify the trunk group besides the group name

Port Icons: these port icons are listed the same way as on the front panel. You have to click on the icon to select the group members. The port can be removed from the group by clicking the selected port again.

Click **[OK]** to make the setting send to the switch (HTTP server). Click **[Reload]** to refresh the settings to current value. To make the configuration effective, go to “*Save Configuration*” page, then click **[Save]**.

You have to check the runtime link speed and duplex mode to make sure the trunk is physically active. Go to *Physical Interface* and check the link mode in the runtime status window for the trunk ports. If all the trunk members are in the same speed and full duplex mode, then the trunk group is set up successfully. If one of the members is not in the same speed or full duplex mode, the trunk is not set correctly. Check the link partner and change the settings to have the same speed and full duplex mode for all the members of your trunk group.

-
- **All the ports in the link aggregation group MUST operate in full-duplex mode at the same speed.**
 - **All the ports in the link aggregation group MUST be configured in auto-negotiation mode or full duplex mode. This configuration will make the full duplex link possible. If you set the ports in full duplex force mode, then the link partner MUST have the same setting. Otherwise the link aggregation could operate abnormally.**
 - **All the ports in the link aggregation group MUST have the same VLAN setting.**
 - **All the ports in the link aggregation group are treated as a single logical link. That is, if any member changes an attribute, the others will change also. For example, a trunk group consists of port 1 and 2. If the VLAN of port 1 changes, the VLAN of port 2 also changes with port 1.**
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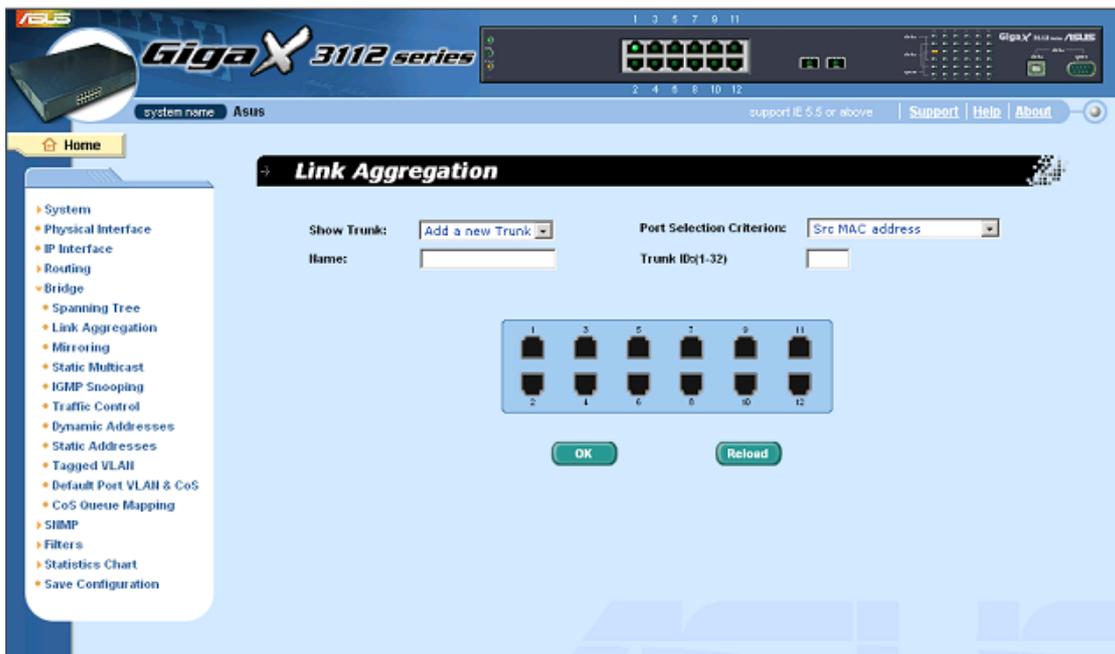


Figure 17. Link aggregation (GigaX 3112)

4.5.3 Mirroring

Mirroring, together with a network traffic analyzer, helps you monitor network traffics. You can monitor the selected ports for egress or ingress packets.

Mirror: Selects the mirror group. Each group consists of 12 Gigabit port. (GigaX 3112)

Mirror Mode: Enables or disables the mirror function for the selected group.

Monitor Port: Receives copies of all the traffics in the selected mirrored ports.

The monitor port can not belong to any link aggregation group. The monitor port can not operate as a normal switch port. It does not switch packets or do address learning.

Click [OK] to make the setting send to the switch (HTTP server). Click [Reload] to refresh the settings to current value.

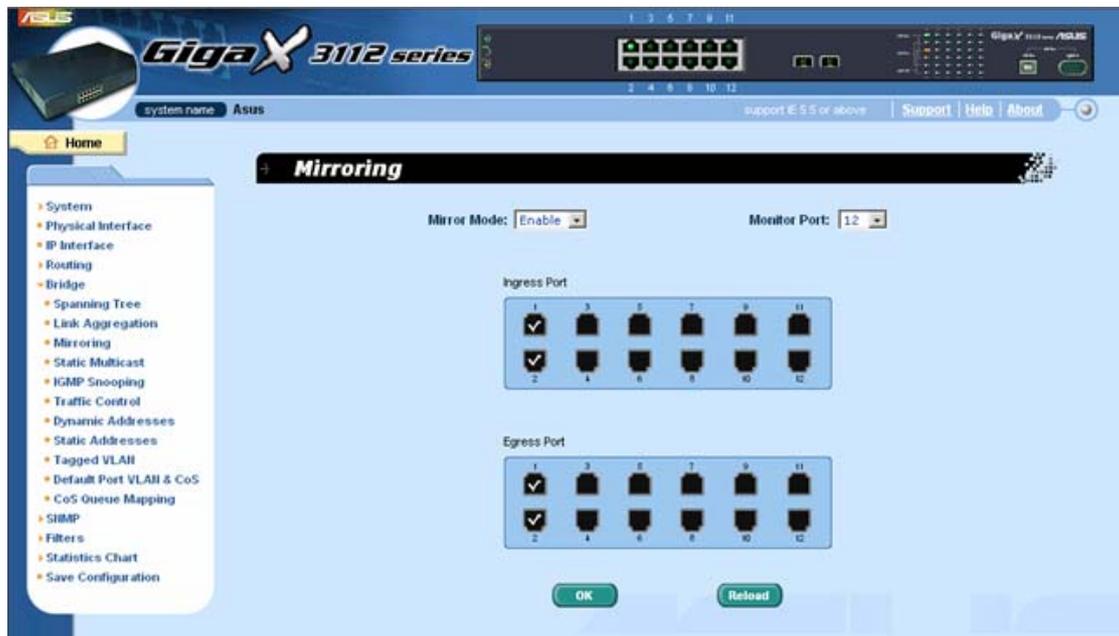


Figure 18. Mirroring page (GigaX 3112)

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4.5.4 Static multicast

This page can add multicast addresses into the multicast table. The switch can hold up to 256 multicast entries. All the ports in the group will forward the specified multicast packets to other ports in the group.

Show Group: selects “Add a new Group” to enter a new entry. Or select an existing group address to display

MAC Address: selects the multicast address

VLAN: selects the vlan group

CoS: assigns the priority for Class of Service

Click **[OK]** to make the setting effective. Click **[Reload]** to refresh the settings to current value.

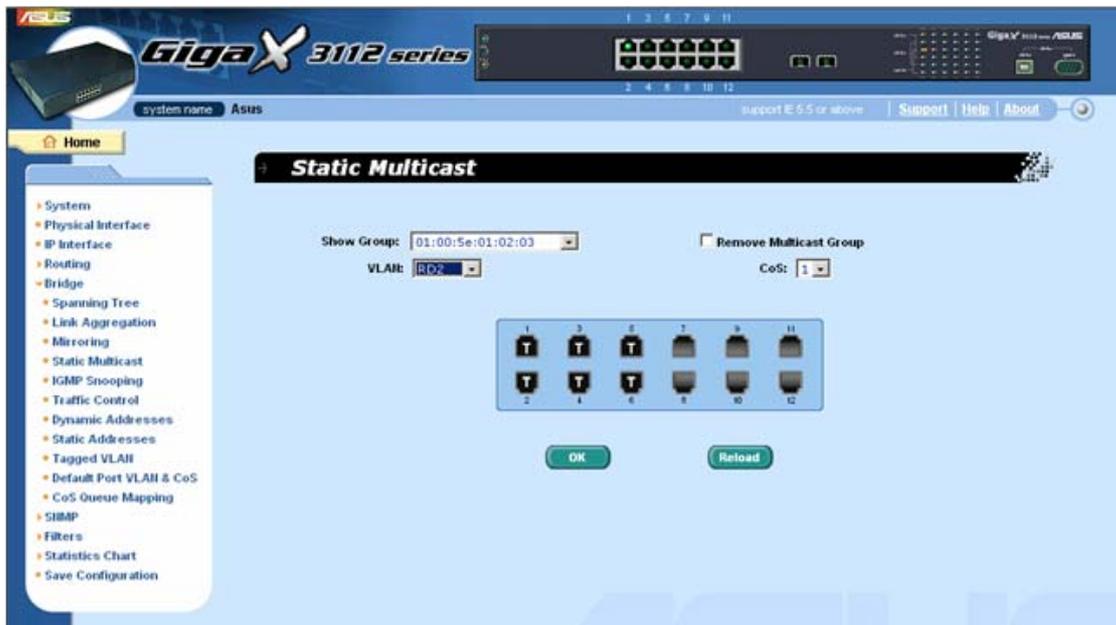


Figure 19. Static multicast (GigaX 3112)

4.5.5 IGMP snooping

IGMP snooping helps reduce the multicast traffics on the network by allowing the IGMP snooping function to be turned on or off. When turned on, the switch snoops the IGMP packets and puts the new group into the multicast table. However, if the static entries occupy all 256 spaces, the IGMP snoop does not work normally. The switch only allows 256-layer 2 multicast group.



Figure 20. IGMP snooping

4.5.6 Traffic control

Traffic control prevents the switch bandwidth from flooding packets including broadcast packets, multicast packets and the unicast packets because of destination address lookup failure. The limit number is a threshold to limit the total number of the checked type packets. For example, if broadcast and multicast are enabled, the total traffic amount for those two types will not exceed the limit value. Click **[OK]** to save the new configuration. To make the configuration effective, go to “*Save Configuration*” page, then click **[Save]**.

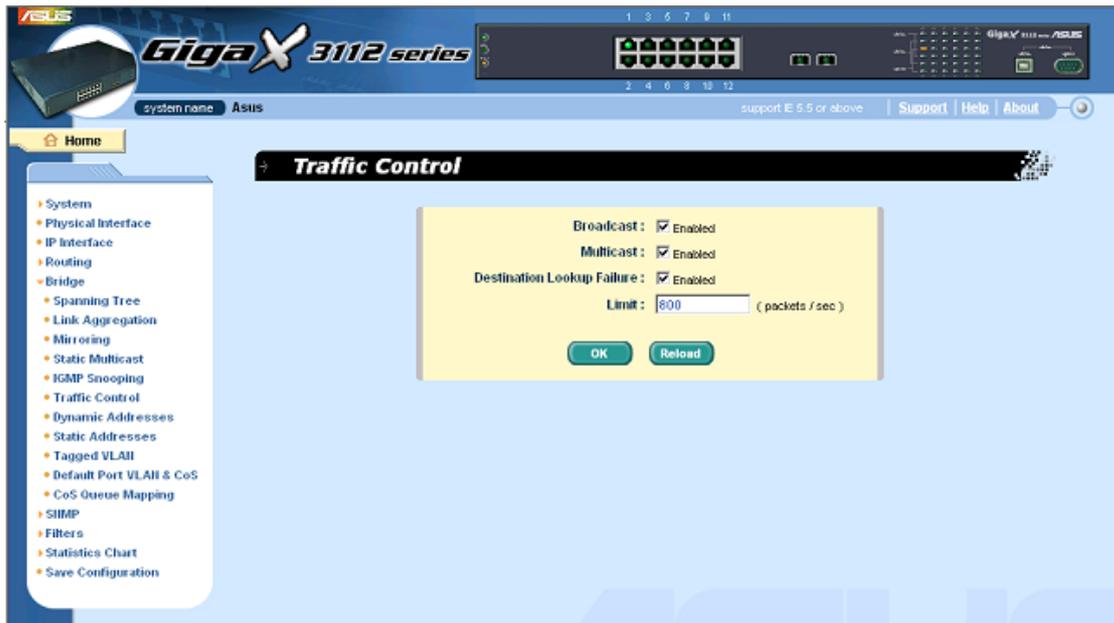


Figure 21. Traffic control

4.5.7 Dynamic addresses

This page displays the result of dynamic MAC address lookup by port, VLAN ID, or specified MAC address. The dynamic address is the MAC address learned by switch, it will age out from the address table if the address is not learned again during the age time. User can set the age time by entering a valid number from 10 to 1,000,000 in seconds. Then click on [OK] to save the new age value. To make the configuration effective, please go to “*Save Configuration*” page, then click on [Save].

You can look up MAC addresses by checking the port, VLAN ID, or/and MAC address, then click on the [Query]. The address window will display the result of the query.

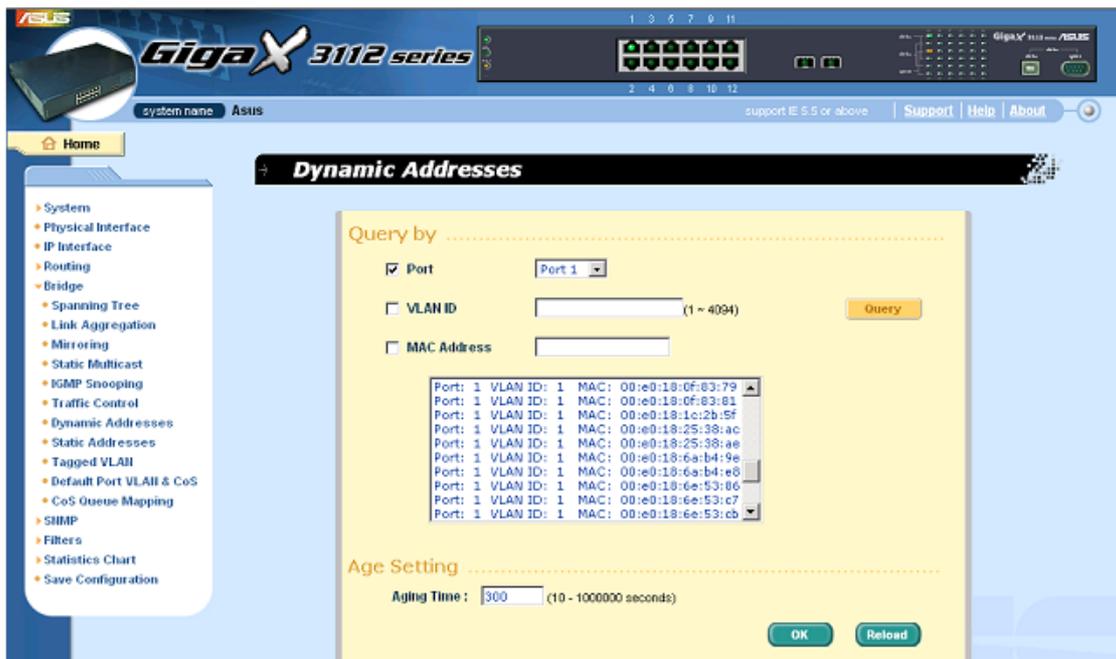


Figure 22. Dynamic address

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4.5.8 Static addresses

You can add a MAC address into the switch address table. The MAC address added by this way will not age out from the address table. We call it static address.

MAC Address: enter the MAC address

VLAN ID: enter the VLAN ID that the MAC belongs

Port Selection: select the port which the MAC belongs

Discard: you can do packet filtering when the MAC address appears in the packets as destination address, source address, or either of them.

Click on the **[Add]** when you create a new static MAC address by the above information. Then you will see the new added entry shows in the address window. You can remove the existed address by selecting the entry with the mouse, then clicking on **[Remove]**. The **[Modify]** button updates the existed MAC address entries. Click **[OK]** to save effective. Click **[Reload]** to refresh the settings to current value. To make the configuration effective, go to “save configuration” page, then click **[Save]**.



Figure 23. Static address

4.5.9 Tagged VLAN

You can set up to 4094 VLAN groups and show VLAN group in this page. There is a default VLAN created by the switch. It cannot be modify at all. This feature prevents the switch from malfunctions. You can remove any existed VLAN except the default VLAN.

You can assign the port to be a tagged port or an untagged port by toggling the port button. There are three types of button displays:

“U” type: untagged port that will remove VLAN tags from the transmitted packets.

“T” type: All packets transmitted from this port will be tagged.

“blank” type: This port is not a member of the VLAN group.

If one untagged port belongs to two or more VLAN groups at the same time, it will confuse the switch and cause flooding traffics. To prevent it, the switch only allows one untagged port belongs to one VLAN at the same time. That is, the untagged port belongs to the VLAN group which is called “PVID” and configured in the “Default Port VLAN & CoS” page. If you want to assign an untagged port from one VLAN to another, you have to remove it from the original VLAN, or change it to be tagged in the original VLAN first.

Show VLAN: select the existed VLAN to display or select “Add a new VLAN” to create a new VLAN group

Name: the VLAN name

VLAN ID: this field requires user to enter the VLAN ID when a new VLAN is created

Remove VLAN: Remove a existed VLAN. This field disappears in VLAN creation page.

Click [**OK**] to save the configuration. To make the configuration effective, go to the “*Save Configuration*” page, then click [**Save**].

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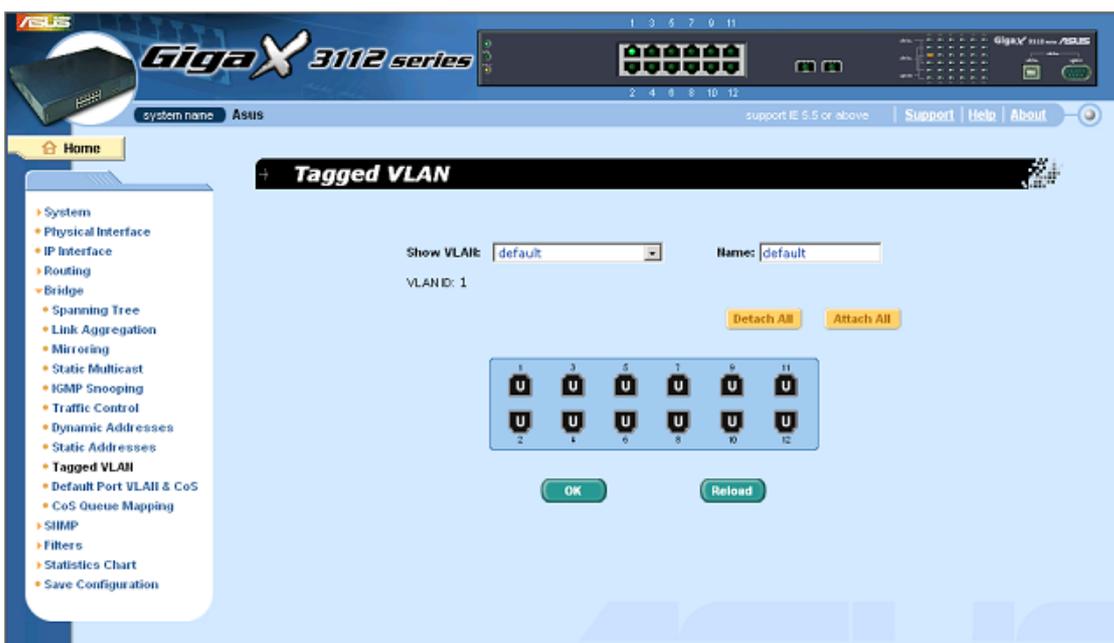


Figure 24. Tagged VLAN (GigaX 3112)

4.5.10 Default port VLAN and CoS

Some VLAN tag related field settings for each port are included in this page. It includes:

Port: select the port to configure

PVID: port-based VLAN ID. Every untagged packet received from this port will be tagged with this VLAN group ID

CoS (Class of Service) value: every untagged packet received from this port will be assigned to this CoS in the VLAN tagged

Click on [**Modify**] to change the content in the port list window. Click on [**OK**] to save the configuration. To make the configuration effective, go to “*Save Configuration*” page, then click [**Save**].

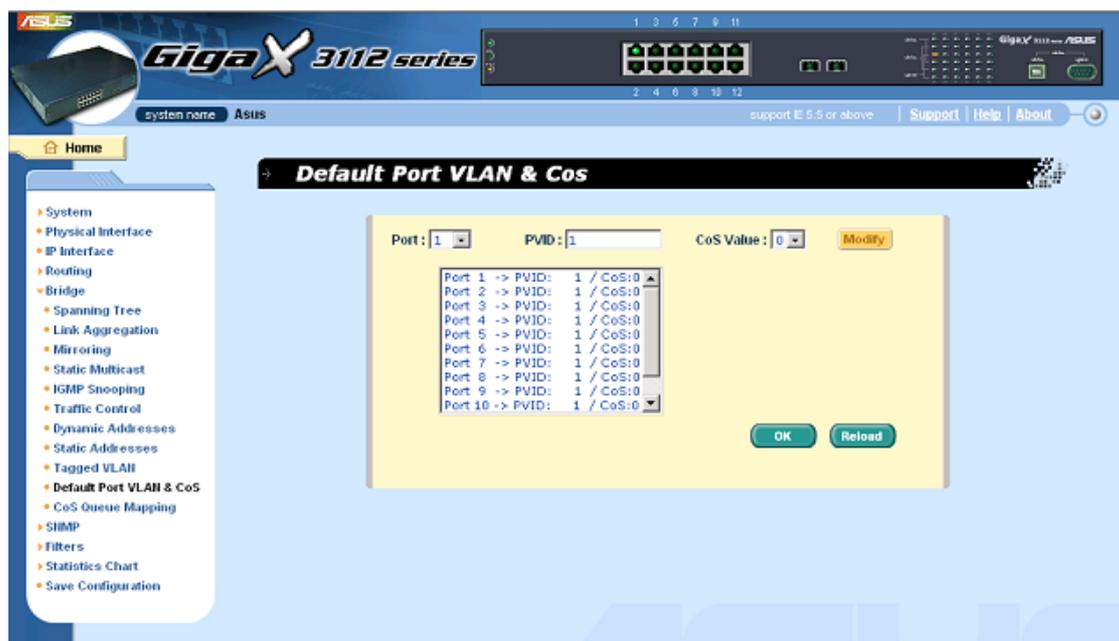


Figure 25. Default port VLAN and CoS

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4.5.11 CoS queue mapping

The switch supports 8 egress queues for each port with a strict priority scheduler. That is, each CoS value can map into one of the eight queues. The queue 8 has the highest priority to transmit the packets. Click **[OK]** to save the configuration. To make the configuration effective, go to “*Save Configuration*” page, then click **[Save]**.

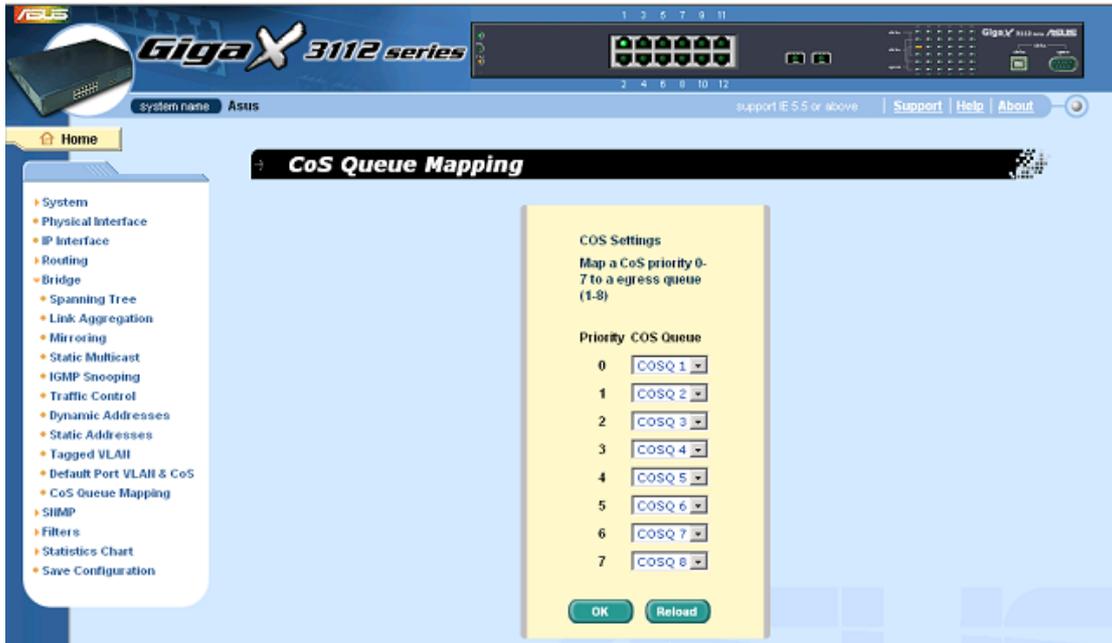


Figure 26. CoS queue mapping

4.6 L3 Switch

This command group offers L3 interface and route entry configuration.

4.6.1 Interface

This command allows users to know the L3 interface status in real time. On the other hand, users can configure the interface in following field:

Interface: Select the interface to be configured (sw0 is used by system).

IP: Interface IP address

Mask: Interface Subnet mask

Metric: Metric of this interface

MAC: Mac address of this interface

Vlan: Vlan id of this interface

Status: Up/down status of this interface

Select the corresponding interface and configure the interface parameters then click on the **[Modify]** button. The field you changed will update the content in the display window. To save any changes and make it effective immediately, click **[OK]**. Use **[Reload]** to refresh the setting.

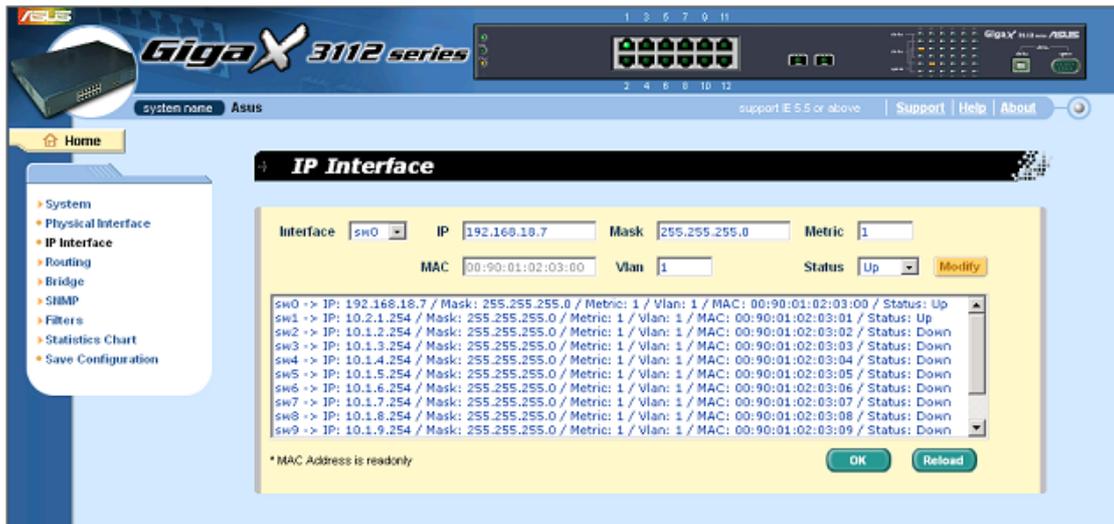


Figure 27. L3 Interface Configuration

Special Note: It is strongly recommended that each interface should have its own VLAN. That means one VLAN should not be assigned for two interfaces. Otherwise it will cause confusion while RIP is enabled. It is also recommended that only one physical port should be assigned to the VLAN used for the L3 interface. Assigning multiple ports to one L3 interface, the L3 traffic will always go through the port with the lowest ID. Traffic load sharing is not supported in this release.

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4.6.2 Static Route

This command is used to add a routing entry into the switch routing table. The routing entry added by this way will never be deleted by system . We call it static route. Following parameters must be input

Destination: Input destination ip address.

Netmask: Input subnet mask of the destination.

Gateway: Input gateway ip address.

metric: Input metric (1-15).

Click on **[Add]** when you add a new static route and you will see the new added entry shows in the list window. You can remove the existed route by clicking the button with the mouse, then clicking on **[Remove]**. The route added and removed will be stored in configuration file immediately.

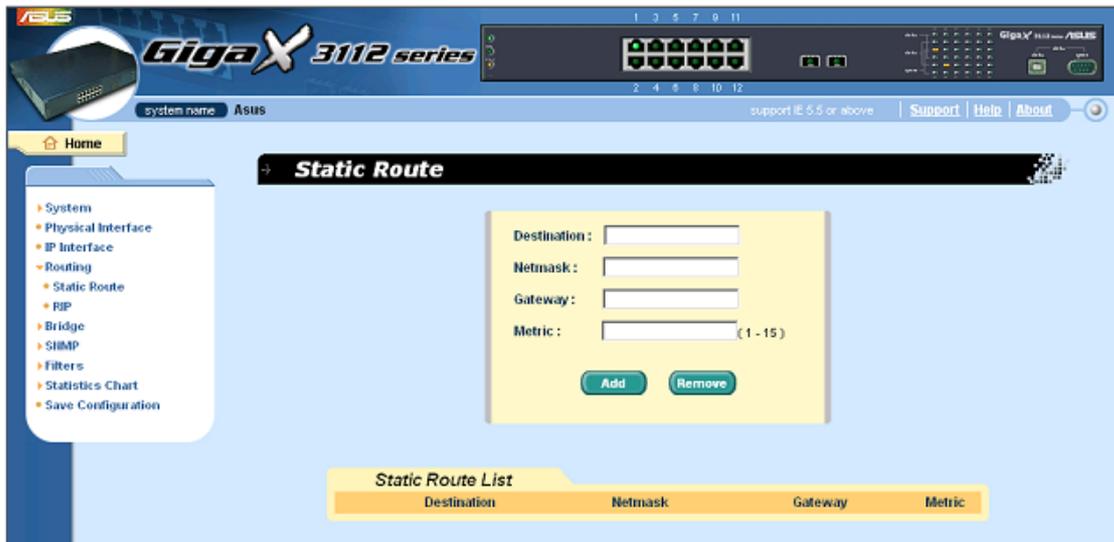


Figure 28. Configure Static Route

4.6.3 Rip

This command is used to switch on/off RIP function and select RIP version (1/2/both). When RIP is turned on, the switch will exchange routing information with neighbor switches which also running RIP.



Figure 29. RIP Configuration

4.7 SNMP

This group offers the SNMP configuration including **Community Table**, **Host Table**, and **Trap Setting**

4.7.1 Community table

You can type different community names and specify whether the community has the privilege to do set action (write access) by checking the box. Click [OK] to save the configuration permanently or [Reload] to refresh the page.



Figure 30. Community table

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4.7.2 Host table

This page links host IP address to the community name that is entered in **Community Table** page. Type an IP address and select the community name from the drop-down list. Click **[OK]** to save the configuration permanently or to **[Reload]** refresh the page.



Figure 31. Host table

4.7.3 Trap setting

By setting trap destination IP addresses and community names, you can enable SNMP trap function to send trap packets in different versions (v1 or v2c). Click **[OK]** to save the configuration permanently or **[Reload]** to refresh the page.



Figure 32. Trap setting

4.8 Filter pages

The switch can filter certain traffic types according to packet header information from Layer 2 to Layer 4. Each filter set includes a couple of rules. You have to attach the filter set to certain ports to make the filter work.

4.8.1 Filter set

You can create a filter set by giving a name, ID and a mode of rules. The switch defines two modes of rules, one is MAC mode and the other is IP mode. Only the same mode of rules can bundle together to form a filter set. Each mode has different fields to configure. For example, you can use IP mode rule to filter FTP packets.

When you click on the **Set**, the Filter Set page appears (Figure 33). First, create a filter set by typing a name and ID, then clicking on **[Add]**. Second, click on the [] button to select the set you want to edit or remove. Third, click on **[Edit]** to enter the rule page as Figure 40, or click on **[Remove]** to remove the filter set. You have to follow the rules to make a valid filter set.

One set consists of a type of rules. The rules having the same fields to filter packets belong to one type. For example, two rules filter packets with two destination IP addresses, then they are the same type. But a rule filtering source IP address does not belong to the same type.

Four types of rules can apply to ports at the same time. If there are more than four types, the system automatically disables the rules.



Figure 33. Filter set

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The *Filter Rule* page provides options for rule modes, one is MAC rule (Figure 34) and the other is IP rule (Figure 35). If you did not enter the MAC address in the blank box, it means the rule don't care the MAC value. In IP rule setup, you can enter any of the 5 tuples, source IP, destination IP, protocol, source application port and destination application port. The **Action** field determines if the packet should be dropped or forwarding when it matches the rule. If a packet matches two rules with different action, the packet will follow the rule showed first in the rule list.

Src MAC	Dst MAC	Action
Any	Any	Permit

Figure 34. Filter rule in MAC mode

Src IP	Dst IP	SrcMask	DstMask	Src Port	Dst Port	Protocol	Action
Any	Any	Any	Any	Any	Any	ICMP	Permit

Figure 35. Filter rule in IP mode

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4.8.2 Filter attach

A filter set is idle if you did not attach it to any ingress or egress port. Use the Filter Attach page to attach a filter set to ingress and egress ports.

Click [OK] to save the configuration. To make the configuration effective, go to the “Save Configuration” page, then click [Save], or click on [Reload] to refresh the page.

To attach a filter set to ports:

- Attach to all ports: the filter set applies to all the ports of the system.
- Attach to certain ports: you can specify the ingress ports and egress port to be applied.
- Detach from all ports: remove all the filters from the attached ports.

You may not detach certain ports after issuing an “Attach All” command. If you wish to detach ports, use the “Detach All” command.

Once the filter set is attached to the ingress ports and egress ports, it will filter the packets according to the ingress port, egress port, and the packet fields in the rules. For example, a set with a single rule to filter out destination MAC address 00:10:20:30:40:50 is attached to ingress port 1 and egress port 2. A packet with destination MAC 00:10:20:30:40:50 from port 1 is not switched to port 2, but it is possible to go to other ports except port 2 in flooding situation.

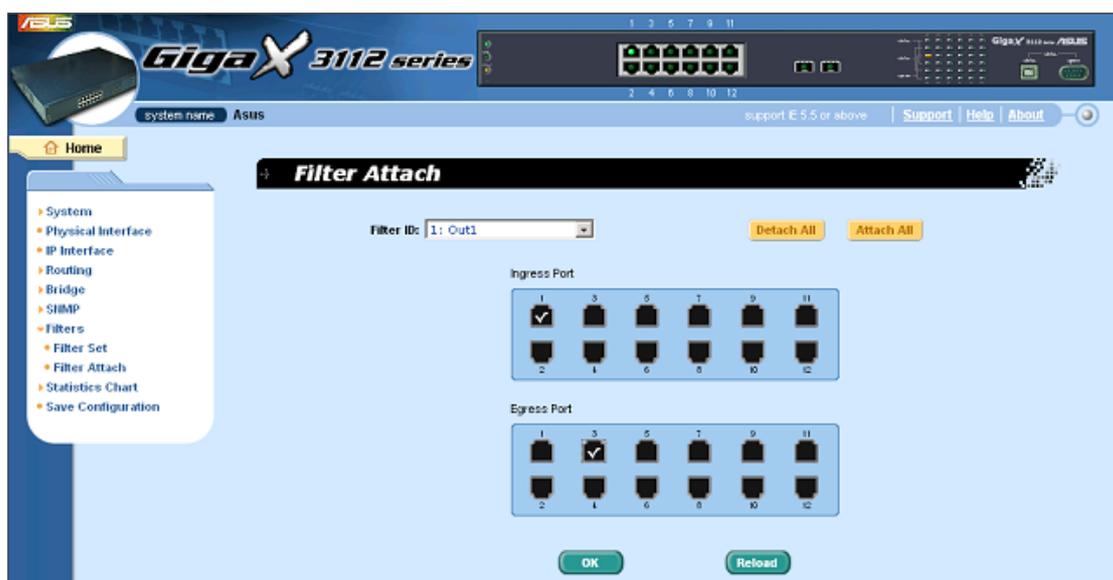


Figure 36. Filter attach (GigaX 3112)

4.9 Statistics chart

The **Statistics Chart** pages provide network flow in different charts. You can specify the period time to refresh the chart. You can monitor the network traffic amount in different graphic chart by these pages. Most MIB-II counters are displayed in these charts.

Click **Refresh Rate** to set the period for retrieving new data from the switch. You can differentiate the statistics or ports by selecting **Color**. Finally, click on **Draw** to let the browser to draw the graphic chart. Each new **Draw** will reset the statistics display.

4.9.1 Traffic comparison

This page shows the one statistics item for all the ports in one graphic chart. Specify the statistics item to display and click the **Draw**, the browser will show you the update data and refresh the graphic periodically.

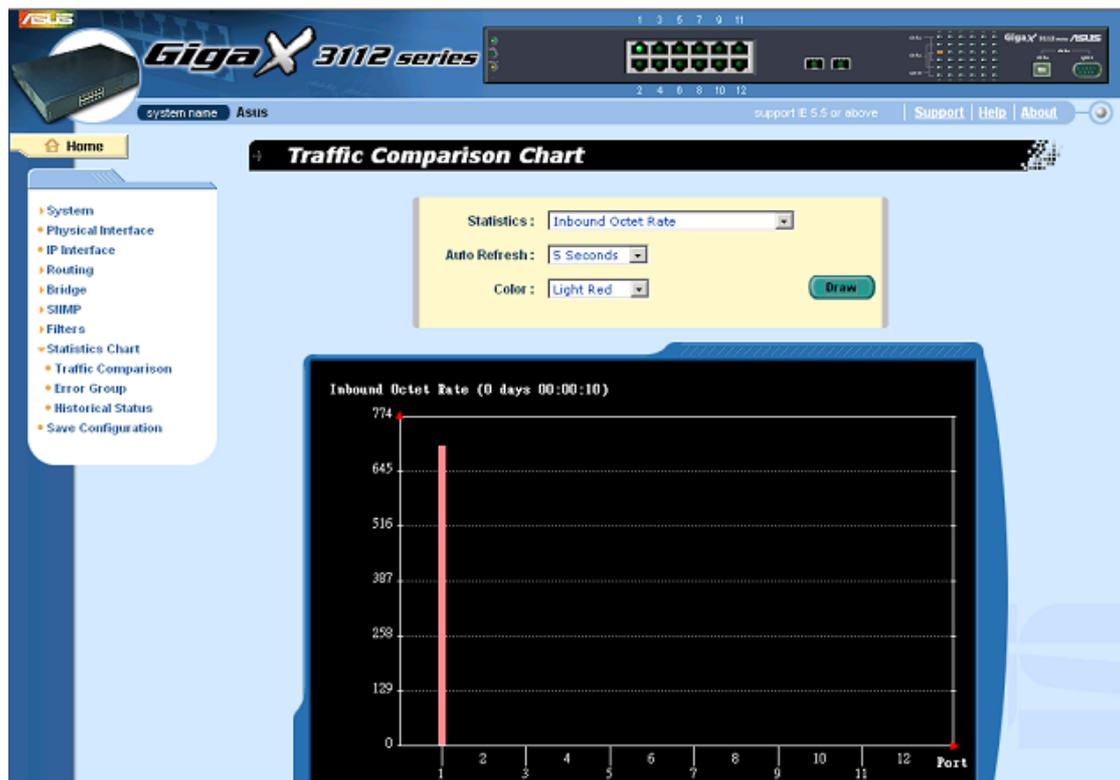


Figure 37. Traffic comparison (GigaX 3112)

4.9.3 Historical status

You can display information for different ports and statistics items in this chart. Since this shows the history of the statistics information, the line chart keeps the old data even it is refreshed.

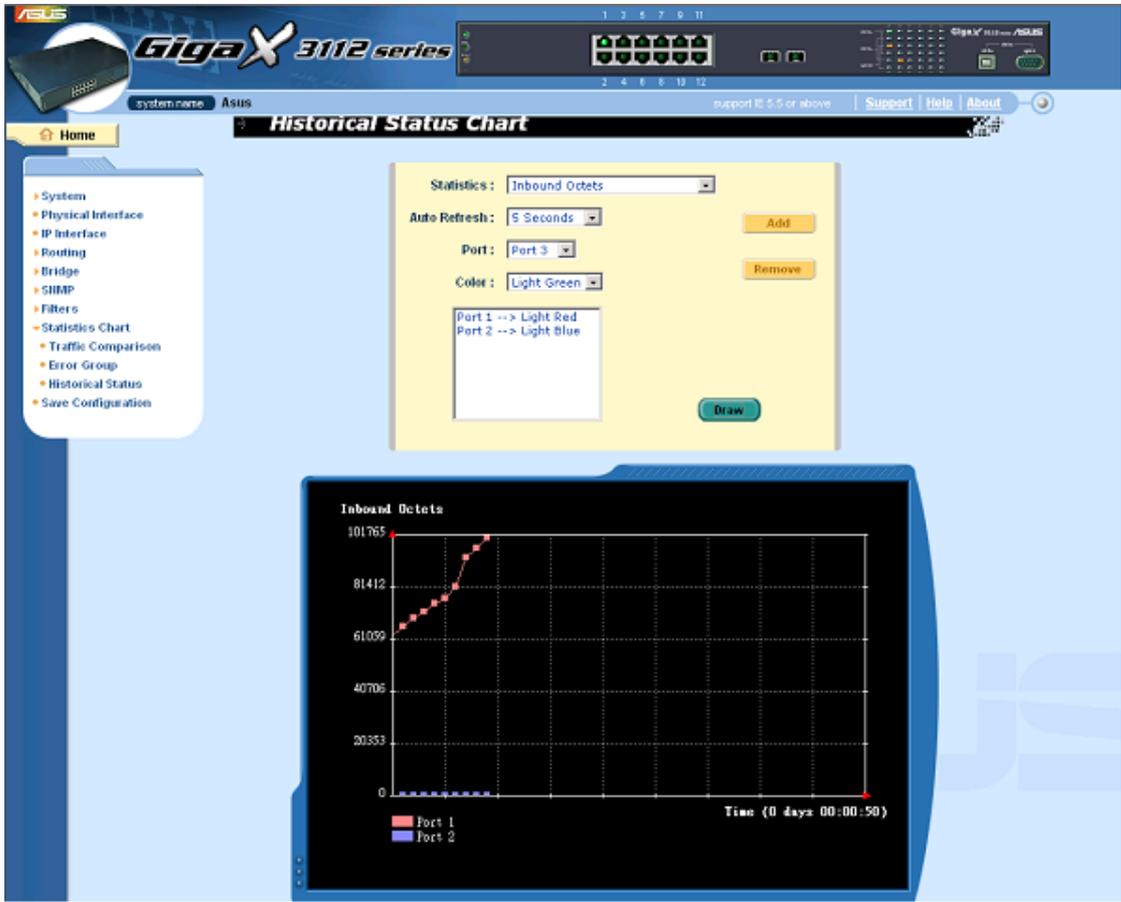


Figure 39. Historical status

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4.10 Save configuration

To save configuration permanently, you have to click **[Save]**. The setting also takes effective after a successful save.

Sometimes you may want to reset the switch configuration, you can click on **[Restore]** to reset the configuration file to factory default. Of course, a system reboot will follow this restoration process.

You will lose all the configurations when you choose to restore the factory default configurations.

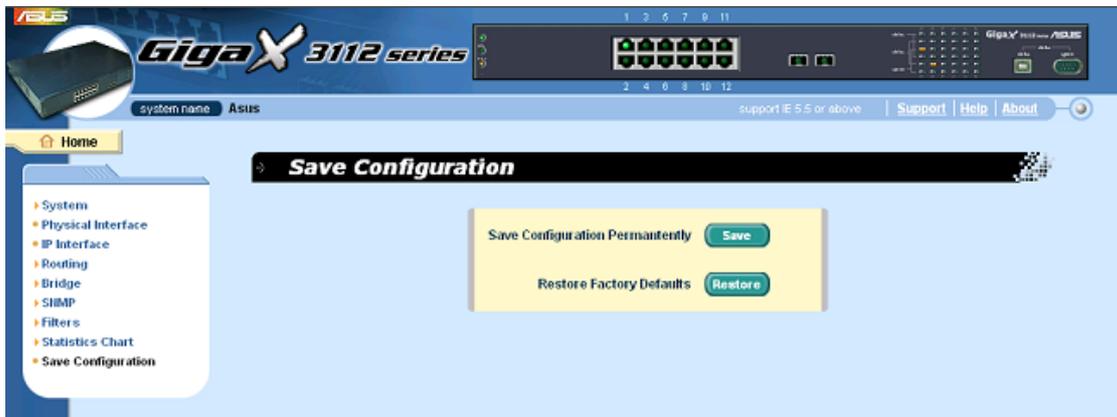


Figure 40. Save configuration

5. Console interface

This chapter describes how to use console interface to configure the switch. The switch provides RS232 and USB connectors to connect your PC. Use a terminal emulator on your PC such as HyperTerminal and command line interpreter to configure the switch. You have to set up the terminal emulator with baud rate 9600, 8 bit data, no parity, and 1 stop bit, and no flow control.

Once you enter CLI mode, type “?” will display all available command help messages. This is very useful when you are not familiar with the CLI commands. The CLI mode times out when idle for 10 minutes. You have to login again to enter CLI mode after the timeout.

All the CLI commands are case sensitive. In order to make them easier to use, you can enter into different category by typing the full command, then this category becomes your working category. Thereafter, you don't have to type “sys” before any sub-commands. For example, “sys” is a command category including a lot of sub-commands. You don't have to type “sys” for the sub-commands once you change your working category to “sys” by typing “sys”. The prompt will become “(system name)sys%” when your working category is “sys”.

5.1 Power On Self Test

POST is executing during the system booting time. It tests system memory, LED and hardware chips on the switchboard. It displays system information as the result of system test and initialization. You can ignore the information until the prompt, “(GigaX)%”, appears (see Figure 41).

```
#####
#                               SWITCHING FABRIC INITIALIZATIONS                               #
#####
PCI device BCM5691_A0 attached as unit 0.
bcm l2 table size=16383
BCM5691_A0/i2c0: mode=PIO speed=348Kbps slave_addr=0x44
BCM5691_A0/i2c0/831785R0: W83L785R Hardware Monitor Driver @0x5a
831785R0: system monitoring enabled.

#####
#                               ASUS OS INITIALIZATIONS(8 COMPONENTS)                               #
#####
CLI Command Tree Initialization ..... DONE
In-ROM File System Initialization ..... DONE
FTPD Initialization ..... DONE
Telnetd Initialization ..... DONE
HTTPd Initialization ..... DONE
System Network Initialization ..... DONE
System Parameters Reloading ..... DONE
SNMPd Initialization ..... DONE
Asus OS Initialization Success, Entering CCM(CLI Command Mode)
Login is required!
(Asus)% _
```

Figure 41. CLI interface

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5.1.1 Boot ROM command mode

During the POST process, you can enter a “**Boot ROM Command**” mode by pressing <ENTER> key as shown in Figure 50.

Figure 42 shows dual images in the switch. One firmware is in Slot 0 and the other firmware is in Slot 1. The later version will be selected to boot the system automatically.

Enter the “?” key to show the help messages for all available commands.



Although the commands are helpful in some situation, we STRONGLY suggest users not to use them if you don't know the command function.

```
Boot ROM Version ..... 0.9
Boot ROM Build Date ..... 04/09/2004 13:07:00
(S0)Firmware Address ..... 0x7c200000
(S0)Firmware Age ..... 0x58
(S0)Firmware Status ..... PASS
(S0)Firmware Version ..... 1.0
(S0)Firmware Creation Date ..... 4/30/2004 11:20:13
(S0)Firmware Size ..... 1665740 bytes
(S0)Firmware Checksum ..... 0x4b1b
(S0)Firmware Starting Address ..... 0x20038
(S0)Firmware Web Files Size ..... 228796 bytes
(S1)Firmware Address ..... 0x7c500000
(S1)Firmware Age ..... 0x57
(S1)Firmware Status ..... PASS
(S1)Firmware Version ..... 1.0
(S1)Firmware Creation Date ..... 4/30/2004 11:20:13
(S1)Firmware Size ..... 1665740 bytes
(S1)Firmware Checksum ..... 0x4b1b
(S1)Firmware Starting Address ..... 0x20038
(S1)Firmware Web Files Size ..... 228796 bytes

Hit Any Key to Enter Command Mode in 2 Second(s)

[Asus OS Boot]:
```

Figure 42. Boot ROM command mode

5.1.2 Boot ROM commands

Type “?” in the boot mode to display the valid commands list.

Table 1. Boot ROM commands

Command	Parameters	Usage	Notes
d	Address [,length]	Dump memory contents by giving address and length.	
p	NONE	Display current boot parameters	
g	NONE	Execute firmware, enter CLI mode	
b	0 or 1 or a	Dual image support. You can choose the firmware to execute by giving a slot ID, or use “a” for auto select. Auto-select will execute the most updated firmware. This is the default setting.	When you fail in firmware update, you can use this command to boot up the switch using the old firmware. Change it back to auto-select mode after successfully updating the firmware.
S	0, 1, 2, 3	Set the console baud rate. 0: 9600bps 1:38400bps 2:57600bps 3:115200bps	You have to set up the terminal emulator with the same baud rate to make the work
X	NONE	Upload firmware to the switch	It is slow to update firmware by the console port. If you lost network connection to switch, you can still update firmware in this way.
R	NONE	Toggle the safe mode	When a configuration file is corrupt or you forget your password, use safe mode to enter CLI mode. Your configuration file is lost in this mode. You need to restore your configuration, or re-configure the system

5.2 Login and logout

By typing “**login**” to enter the CLI mode, you have to give a valid user name and password. As the first time login, you can enter “**admin**” as the user name and bypass the password. For security reason, please change the user name and password after login. Once you forget the use name and password, you may contact ASUS support team or erase the whole configuration file in the **Boot ROM Command** mode. If you take the second choice, the whole system configuration is lost at the same time. That is, you have to configure the switch again.

You type “*logout*” to leave the CLI mode safely. This action allows you to secure the CLI mode. The next user has to do login again with authorized user name and password.

5.3 CLI commands

The switch provides CLI commands for all managed functions. The command uses are listed in the categories as the WEB management interface. This way, you can follow the instructions and set up the switch correctly as easily as using WEB interface to configure the switch.

-
- Always use “?” to get the available commands list and help.
 - Always use “..” to get back to the previous directory.
 - Always use “/” to get back to the root directory.
 - Type the command only to get help for the command
-

5.3.1 System commands

[System Name]

Displays the given name of the switch. This is an RFC-1213 defined MIB object in System Group, and provides administrative information on the managed node.

CLI command : sys name <*system name description*>

If you put a name in the name description field, the switch system name changes to the new one.

[System Contact]

Displays the detail information of contact about the switch. This is an RFC-1213 defined MIB object in System Group, and provides contact information on the managed node.

CLI command : sys contact <*system contact description*>

If you put the contact description in the contact description field, the switch contact will change to the new one.

[System Location]

Displays the physical location of the switch. This is an RFC-1213 defined MIB object in System Group, and provides the location information on the managed node.

CLI command : `sys location <system location description>`

Type in the location description in the location description field to change the location.

```
scanFlash: b07 used = 0 dirty = 0 bad = 0
scanFlash: b08 used = 0 dirty = 0 bad = 0
scanFlash: b09 used = 0 dirty = 0 bad = 0
scanFlash: b10 used = 0 dirty = 0 bad = 0
scanFlash: b11 used = 0 dirty = 0 bad = 0
scanFlash: b12 used = 0 dirty = 0 bad = 0
scanFlash: b13 used = 0 dirty = 0 bad = 0
scanFlash: b14 used = 0 dirty = 0 bad = 0
scanFlash: b15 used = 0 dirty = 0 bad = 0
scanFlash: b16 used = 0 dirty = 0 bad = 0
scanFlash: b17 used = 0 dirty = 0 bad = 0
scanFlash: b18 used = 0 dirty = 0 bad = 0
scanFlash: b19 used = 0 dirty = 0 bad = 0
scanFlash: b20 used = 0 dirty = 0 bad = 0
scanFlash: b21 used = 0 dirty = 0 bad = 0
scanFlash: b22 used = 0 dirty = 0 bad = 0
scanFlash: b23 used = 0 dirty = 0 bad = 0

#####
#          ASUS OS INITIALIZATIONS(4 COMPONENTS)
#####
System Log Restoring ..... DONE
Network Library Initialization ..... DONE
Thread System Initialization ..... DONE
CLI Initialization ..... DONE

#####
#          SWITCHING FABRIC INITIALIZATIONS
#####
PCI device BCM5691_A0 attached as unit 0.
bcm 12 table size=16383
BCM5691_A0/i2c0: mode=PIO speed=348Kbps slave_addr=0x44
BCM5691_A0/i2c0/831785R0: W83L785R Hardware Monitor Driver @0x5a
831785R0: system monitoring enabled.

#####
#          ASUS OS INITIALIZATIONS(8 COMPONENTS)
#####
CLI Command Tree Initialization ..... DONE
In-ROM File System Initialization ..... DONE
FTPD Initialization ..... DONE
Telnetd Initialization ..... DONE
HTTPd Initialization ..... DONE
System Network Initialization ..... DONE
System Parameters Reloading ..... DONE
SNMPd Initialization ..... DONE
Asus OS Initialization Success, Entering CCM(CLI Command Mode)
Login is required!
(Asus)% █
```

Figure 43. SYS commands

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[IP Address]

Displays the IP address for the switch. This IP address is used for manageable purpose, i.e.; network applications such as, http server, SNMP server, ftp server and telnet server of the switch are all using this IP address.

CLI command: net interface ip sw0 < IP address> <netmask>

[Network Mask]

Displays the subnet mask for the switch.

CLI command: net interface ip sw0 < IP address> <netmask>

[Default Gateway]

Displays the IP address of the default gateway. This field is necessary if the switch network contains one or more routers.

CLI command: net route static add <destination subnet/IP> <gateway>
<netmask> <metric>

[Password Protection is] [Enabled/Disabled]

When the password protection is enabled, the web interface will request a user name and password authentication when user accesses the switch through the browser.

CLI command : sys weblogin set <enable/disable>

[New Password]

[Verify Password]

The default user name is **admin**. By default, a password is not required. You may set a password by configuring these fields.

CLI command : sys users modify <user name, 'admin' by default>
user name (old user name, 'admin' by default): <new user name>
password (old password, 'asus' by default): <new password>

[Reboot]

User can reboot the switch by issuing the reboot command.

CLI command: sys reboot

[Upload]

No CLI command for this function. Refer to Boot ROM commands for this function.

5.3.2 Physical interface commands

[Admin] [Enable/Disable]

Displays the port admin status, allow user to turn the port on or off.

CLI command : l2 port admin *<port number>* *<enable/disable>*

[Mode] [Auto/10M-Half/10M-Full/100M-Half/100M-Full/1G-Full]

Displays the current speed and duplex mode of the port. The speed and duplex mode can be automatically detected when auto-negotiation is enabled on a port.

CLI command : l2 port autoneg *<port number>* *<enable/disable>*

CLI command : l2 port speed *<port number>* *<10/100/1000>*

CLI command : l2 port duplex *<port number>* *<full/half>*

[Flow Control] [Enable/Disable]

Displays the IEEE802.3x flow control setting of a port. Note that this flow control is operating only in full duplex mode.

CLI command : l2 port flow *<port number>* *<enable/disable>*

[Reload]

Restores the previously port settings from the configuration file.

CLI command : sys l2 port retrieve

5.3.3 IP Interface commands

[Device]

Show L2 information of all available interface

CLI command : net interface device

[Show]

Show L3 information of all available interface

CLI command : net interface show

Show L3 information of one specific L3 interface

CLI command : net interface show : *<device name>*

[IP]

Modify IP address of one specific L3 interface

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CLI command : net interface ip : *<device name> <IP address> <network mask>*

[VLAN]

Modify VLAN of one specific L3 interface

CLI command : net interface vlan : *<device name> <vlan ID>*

[Metric]

Modify metric of one specific L3 interface

CLI command : net interface metric : *<device name> <metric>*

[Start]

Activate one specific L3 interface

CLI command : net interface start : *<device name>*

[Stop]

Deactivate one specific L3 interface

CLI command : net interface stop : *<device name>*

5.3.4 RIP commands

[Switch]

Active/Deactive the function of RIP

CLI command : net rip sw : *<on/off>*

[Version]

Set up RIP version

CLI command : net rip version : *<1/2/both>*

5.3.5 Bridge commands

[Spanning Tree is] [*Enabled/Disabled*]

Allows user to specify whether the switch participates the Spanning Tree Protocol (STP).

CLI command : l2 stp *<start/stop>*

[Hello Time]

[Forward Delay]

[Max Age]

[Bridge Priority]

Displays the current STP bridge parameters setting.

CLI command : `l2 stp bridge set`

Hello Time (1..10 seconds):*[old Hello Time] <new Hello Time>*

Max Age (6..40 seconds):*[old Max Age] <new Max Age>*

Forward Delay (4..30 seconds):*[old Forward Delay] <new Forward Delay>*

Bridge Priority (0..65535):*[old Bridge Priority] <new Bridge Priority>*

[Priority]

[Cost]

[FastLink] [Enable/Disable]

Displays the current STP ports parameters setting.

CLI command : `l2 stp port set`

Port Settings (all,...):*[all] <select a port number, or just type 'all' to iteratively config>*

Port *<port number>* Priority (0..255):*[old port Priority] <new port Priority>*

Port *<port number>* Path Cost (1..65535):*[old port Path Cost] <new port Path Cost>*

Port *<port number>* FastLink (enable/disable):*[old port FastLink] <new port FastLink>*

[Reload]

Restores the previously saved settings from configuration file.

CLI command : `l2 stp retrieve`

CLI command : `l2 stp bridge retrieve`

CLI command : `l2 stp port retrieve`

[Show Trunk]

Displays a specific trunk group settings. User can create a new trunk group by

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specify a unique trunk ID, a trunk name description, the port selection criterion (rtag) and its trunk group member ports.

CLI command : l2 trunk show *<trunk id>*

[Create Trunk]

Creates a new trunk group by giving trunk ID, rtag, name and port numbers. The “rtag” is the packet distribution algorithm for the trunk group.

Rtag values and corresponding meanings:

1. select port by source MAC
2. select port by destination MAC
3. select port by source and destination MAC
4. select port by source IP
5. select port by destination IP
6. select port by source and destination IP

CLI command : l2 trunk create *<trunk id>* *<rtag (1-6)>* *<trunk name>*
<port list>

[Add/Remove Trunk]

Trunk group port members can be added to or removed from an existing trunk group.

CLI command : l2 trunk add *<trunk id>* *<port list>*

CLI command : l2 trunk remove *<trunk id>* *<port list>*

[Reload]

Restores the previously saved settings of trunking from configuration file.

CLI command : l2 trunk retrieve

[Mirror Mode] [*Enable/Disable*]

[Monitor Port] [*port number*]

Displays the mirroring settings of the switch.

CLI command : l2 mirror create *<monitor port no>* *<enable/disable>*

CLI command : l2 mirror ingress *<port list>*

CLI command : l2 mirror egress *<port list>*

CLI command : l2 mirror remove *<ingress/egress>* *<port list>*

[Reload]

Restores the previously saved settings from configuration file.

CLI command : l2 mirror retrieve

[Show Multicast Group]

Displays the static multicast groups that are presented in the multicast group table.

CLI command: l2 mcast show

[Set Multicast Group]

Allows user to add or modify a static multicast group by specifying the MAC address, VLAN ID, Class of Service, VLAN port members, and its untagged port members. Note that MAC address and VLAN ID combination is formed as a unique entry in multicast group table.

CLI command: l2 mcast set

mac address [format: xx:xx:xx:xx:xx:xx]: *<multicast mac address>*

vlan id [1 by default]: *<vlan id>*

cos [0-7, 0 by default]: *<Class of Service >*

port list [format: 1 2 3 4-50/* for all ports]: *<vlan port list>*

untagged port list [format: 1 2 3 4-50/* for all ports]: *<untagged port list>*

[Remove Multicast Group]

Allows user to delete a static multicast group entry from multicast group table by given a MAC address and VLAN ID.

CLI command : l2 mcast delete

mac address [format: xx:xx:xx:xx:xx:xx]: *<multicast mac address>*

vlan id: *<vlan id>*

[Reload]

Restores the previously saved settings from configuration file.

CLI command : l2 mcast retrieve

[IGMP] [Enabled/Disabled]

Layer 2 IGMP snooping can be started or terminated by user if necessary.

CLI command : l2 igmp *<start/stop>*

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[Reload]

Restores the previously saved settings from configuration file.

CLI command : `l2 igmp retrieve`

[Broadcast] [Enabled/Disabled]

[Multicast] [Enabled/Disabled]

[Destination Lookup Failure] [Enabled/Disabled]

User can limit the broadcast, multicast, and flooding (due to destination lookup failed) traffic rate by turning the traffic control on.

CLI command : `l2 rate set <1: bcast/2: mcast/3: dlf> <enable/disable>`

[Limit]

Displays the current rate limitation value of the switch. User can change this value by giving a new limit value. This value is applied to all of the traffic control mentioned above.

CLI command : `l2 rate limit <limit rate>`

[Reload]

Restores the previously saved settings from configuration file.

CLI command : `l2 rate retrieve`

[Aging Time]

User can set the ARL (Address Resolution Logic) entries aging time by setting the aging time value. The aging time command is valid for static and dynamic addresses.

CLI command : `l2 arl age [aging time value]`

[Query by Port]

ARL entries existed in ARL table can be queried according to port number.

CLI command : `l2 arl port <port number>`

[Query by VLAN ID]

ARL entries existed in ARL table can be queried according to VLAN ID.

CLI command : `l2 arl vlan <vlan id>`

[Query by MAC Address]

ARL entries existed in ARL table can be queried according to MAC address.

CLI command : `l2 arl mac <mac address>`

[MAC Address]

[VLAN ID]

[Port Selection]

[Discard] [none/source/destination/source & destination]

User can add or modify a static ARL entry by specifying a MAC address, VLAN ID, port number, trunk ID, and discard criteria.

CLI command : `l2 arl static <mac> <vlan id> <port no> <trunk id> <discard: 0-3>`

[Remove]

Static ARL entries can be deleted by indicating the MAC address and its VLAN ID. This two-field combination is formed as unique entry in ARL table.

CLI command : `l2 arl delete <mac address> <vlan id>`

[Reload]

Restores the previously saved settings from configuration file.

CLI command : `l2 arl retrieve`

[Show VLAN]

Displays the existing VLAN information of the switch.

CLI command : `l2 vlan show <vlan id>`

[Name]

[VLAN ID]

Allows user to configure the VLAN settings. User may create a new VLAN by giving a unique VLAN ID, a VLAN description name, and its port member list, note that the port member here is indicated as tagged port member. To specify a VLAN port member as untagged port, CLI command `utportadd` can achieve this purpose. User may use CLI command `add` or `remove` to further add some port members to a VLAN or exclude some existing port members from a VLAN.

CLI command : `l2 vlan create <vlan id> <vlan name> <port list>`

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CLI command : l2 vlan add <vlan id> <port list>

CLI command : l2 vlan remove <vlan id> <port list>

CLI command : l2 vlan utportadd <vlan id> <untagged port list>

[Remove VLAN]

Allows user to completely destroy an existing VLAN.

CLI command : l2 vlan delete <vlan id>

[Reload]

Restores the previously saved settings from configuration file.

CLI command : l2 vlan retrieve

[PVID]

Sets the default VLAN for a port by giving a VLAN ID and its associated port member list.

CLI command : l2 port vlan <vlan id, 4095 to disable the port-based vlan>
<port list>

[CoS Value]

Sets the Class of Service for a port by assigning it a priority (with range of 0-7) criteria value.

CLI command : l2 port priority <CoS> <port list>

[Reload]

Restores the previously saved settings from configuration file.

CLI command : l2 port retrieve

[Priority] [CoS Queue]

Allows user to map the CoS priority (with range of 0-7) for a buffer queue (total of 4, with queue ID of 1-4).

CLI command : l2 cos map <queue id (1-4)> <cos (0-7)>

[Reload]

Restores the previously saved settings from configuration file.

CLI command : l2 cos retrieve

5.3.6 SNMP commands

[Community Name] [Set]

A community entry contains a community description string and a set of privileges. Get privilege are turned on by default, and user can specify whether to give it the Set Privilege while create a new entry.

CLI command : snmp community add

New community string: <new community string>

Get privileges: [y, always turn on by default]

Set privileges? (y/n):[n] <set privilege, y for 'yes'; n for 'no'>

CLI command : snmp community set

User can modify a community entry in the table by reassigning its community string and privileges.

Community entry (table index): <entry id to config>

Community string (old community string): <new community string>

This action will modify all hosts with community string from 'old community' to 'new community'.

Are you sure? (y/n):[y] <y for 'yes'; n for 'no'>

Get privileges: [y, always turn on by default]

Set privileges? (y/n):[n] <set privilege, y for 'yes'; n for 'no'>

CLI command : snmp community delete

Allows user to delete a community entry from community table.

Community entry (table index): <entry id to delete>

This action will delete all hosts in community string with 'delete community'.

Are you sure? (y/n):[y] <y for 'yes'; n for 'no'>

[Reload]

Restores the previously saved settings from configuration file.

CLI command : snmp community retrieve

[Host IP Address] [Community]

A host entry contains a host IP address, network mask and its dedicated community string.

CLI command : snmp host add

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Host IP/Subnet: <IP address>

Netmask: <netmask>

Community: <community string>

CLI command : snmp host set

User can modify a host entry in the table by reassigning its allowed IP address, network mask and community string.

Host table entry (table index): <entry id to config>

Host IP/Subnet (old IP address): <new IP address>

Netmask (old netmask): <new netmask>

Community (old community string): <new community string>

CLI command : snmp host delete

Allows user to delete a host entry from host table.

Entry id (table index): <entry id to delete>

[Reload]

Restores the previously saved settings from configuration file.

CLI command : snmp host retrieve

[Trap Version] [v1/v2c]

[Destination]

[Community for Trap]

A trap entry contains SNMP version (currently support version 1 and version 2c), a destination IP address and the remote community string.

CLI command : snmp trap add

SNMP version? (1/2c):[1, by default] <snmp version>

Destination IP: <IP address>

Community: <community string>

CLI command : snmp trap set

User can modify a trap entry in the table by reassigning its SNMP version, destination IP address and community string.

Trap table entry (table index): <entry id to config>

SNMP version? (1/2c):[old snmp version] <new snmp version>

Destination IP (old IP address): <new IP address>

Community (old community string): <new community string>

CLI command : snmp trap delete

Allows user to delete a trap entry from trap table.

Trap table entry (*table index*): *<entry id to delete>*

[Reload]

Restores the previously saved settings from configuration file.

CLI command : snmp trap retrieve

5.3.7 Filter commands

[New]

Creates a new filter set with specifying a unique ACL ID and its description name.

CLI command : filter set new *<acl id>* *<acl name>*

[Remove]

User can delete a filter set by indicating the ACL ID.

CLI command : filter set delete *<acl id>*

[Edit]

[Rule Mode] [MAC Rule]

[Action] [Permit/Deny]

[Source MAC]

[Destination MAC]

[Add]

User can add a new MAC address rule associated to a filter set. These filter rule works with ICMP, TCP or UDP protocols with action of permit or deny. User can also specify the MAC address (source or destination) of the filter rule by using CLI command dstmac and srcmac.

CLI command : filter rule new *<set id>* *<rule id>* *<protocol: ICMP/TCP/UDP/any>* *<action: permit/deny>*

CLI command : filter rule dstmac *<set id>* *<rule id>* *<type: (any/[mac address])>*

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CLI command : filter rule srcmac <set id> <rule id> <type: (any/[mac address])>

[Rule Mode] [IP Rule]

[Action] [Permit/Deny]

[Source IP] [Type/IP, Mask]

[Destination IP] [Type/IP, Mask]

[Source Port] [Type/Port]

[Destination Port] [Type/Port]

[Protocol] [ICMP/TCP/UDP/ANY]

[Add]

User can add a new IP rule associated to a filter set. These filter rule works with ICMP, TCP or UDP protocols with permit or deny options. User can also specify the IP address (source or destination) and port number of the filter rule using the CLI command dstip/srcip and dstport/srcport, respectively.

CLI command : filter rule new <set id> <rule id> <protocol: ICMP/TCP/UDP/any> <action: permit/deny>

CLI command : filter rule dstip <set id> <rule id> <type: (any/[ip] [subnet])>

CLI command : filter rule srcip <set id> <rule id> <type: (any/[ip] [subnet])>

CLI command : filter rule dstport <set id> <rule id> <type: (any/[port])>

CLI command : filter rule srcport <set id> <rule id> <type: (any/[port])>

[Rule Mode] [MAC Rule]

[Action] [Permit/Deny]

[Source MAC]

[Destination MAC]

[Modify]

Allows user to modify the MAC filter rule.

CLI command : filter rule modify <set id> <rule id> <protocol: ICMP/TCP/UDP/any> <action: permit/deny>

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CLI command : filter rule dstmac <set id> <rule id> <type: (any/[mac address])>

CLI command : filter rule srcmac <set id> <rule id> <type: (any/[mac address])>

[Rule Mode] [IP Rule]

[Action] [Permit/Deny]

[Source IP] [Type/IP, Mask]

[Destination IP] [Type/IP, Mask]

[Source Port] [Type/Port]

[Destination Port] [Type/Port]

[Protocol] [ICMP/TCP/UDP/ANY]

[Modify]

Allows user to modify the IP filter rule.

CLI command : filter rule modify <set id> <rule id> <protocol: ICMP/TCP/UDP/any> <action: permit/deny>

CLI command : filter rule dstip <set id> <rule id> <type: (any/[ip] [subnet])>

CLI command : filter rule srcip <set id> <rule id> <type: (any/[ip] [subnet])>

CLI command : filter rule dstport <set id> <rule id> <type: (any/[port])>

CLI command : filter rule srcport <set id> <rule id> <type: (any/[port])>

[Rule Mode] [MAC Rule]

[Action] [Permit/Deny]

[Source MAC]

[Destination MAC]

[Delete]

Allows user to delete the MAC filter rule.

CLI command : filter rule delete <set id> <rule id>

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[Rule Mode] [IP Rule]

[Action] [Permit/Deny]

[Source IP] [Type/IP, Mask]

[Destination IP] [Type/IP, Mask]

[Source Port] [Type/Port]

[Destination Port] [Type/Port]

[Protocol] [ICMP/TCP/UDP/ANY]

[Delete]

Allows user to delete the MAC filter rule.

CLI command : filter rule delete *<set id>* *<rule id>*

[Rule List]

Displays the filter set and filter rule configurations.

CLI command : filter rule show *<set id>* *<rule id>*

Attach

Attach a filter set to ingress/egress ports to enable the filter function.

[Filter ID]

Displays the filter configurations.

CLI command : filter show

[Ingress Port]

Applies a filter set to an ingress port.

CLI command : filter apply ingress *<filter set id>* *<any/none/[port number]>*

[Egress Port]

Applies a filter set to an egress port.

CLI command : filter apply egress *<filter set id>* *<any/none/[port number]>*

[Reload]

Restores the previously saved settings from configuration file.

CLI command : filter retrieve

5.4 Miscellaneous commands

sys uptime: show the time since the system boot up.

sys date: show the current date and time

sys settime: set the current time

net ping: ping remote host

net route show: display the entries in the routing table

6. IP addresses, network masks, & subnets

6.1 IP addresses

- **This section pertains only to IP addresses for IPv4 (version 4 of the Internet Protocol). IPv6 addresses are not covered.**
 - **This section assumes basic knowledge of binary numbers, bits, and bytes.**
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IP addresses, the Internet's version of telephone numbers, are used to identify individual nodes (computers or devices) on the Internet. Every IP address contains four numbers, each from 0 to 255 and separated by dots (periods), e.g. 20.56.0.211. These numbers are called, from left to right, field1, field2, field3, and field4.

This style of writing IP addresses as decimal numbers separated by dots is called *dotted decimal notation*. The IP address 20.56.0.211 is read "twenty dot fifty-six dot zero dot two-eleven."

6.1.1 Structure of an IP address

IP addresses have a hierarchical design similar to that of telephone numbers. For example, a 7-digit telephone number starts with a 3-digit prefix that identifies a group of thousands of telephone lines, and ends with four digits that identify one specific line in that group.

Similarly, IP addresses contain two kinds of information.

Network ID

Identifies a particular network within the Internet or Intranet

Host ID

Identifies a particular computer or device on the network

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The first part of every IP address contains the network ID, and the rest of the address contains the host ID. The length of the network ID depends on the network's *class* (see following section). Table 8 shows the structure of an IP address.

Table 8. IP address structure

	Field1	Field2	Field3	Field4
Class A	Network ID	Host ID		
Class B	Network ID		Host ID	
Class C	Network ID			Host ID

Following are examples of valid IP addresses:

Class A: 10.30.6.125 (network = 10, host = 30.6.125)

Class B: 129.88.16.49 (network = 129.88, host = 16.49)

Class C: 192.60.201.11 (network = 192.60.201, host = 11)

6.1.2 Network classes

The three commonly used network classes are A, B, and C. (There is also a class D but it has a special use beyond the scope of this discussion.) These classes have different uses and characteristics.

Class A networks are the Internet's largest networks, each with room for over 16 million hosts. Up to 126 of these huge networks can exist, for a total of over 2 billion hosts. Because of their huge size, these networks are used for WANs and by organizations at the infrastructure level of the Internet, e.g. your ISP.

Class B networks are smaller but still quite large, each being able to hold over 65,000 hosts. There can be up to 16,384 class B networks in existence. A class B network might be appropriate for a large organization such as a business or government agency.

Class C networks are the smallest, only able to hold 254 hosts at most, but the total possible number of class C networks exceeds 2 million (2,097,152 to be exact). LANs connected to the Internet are usually class C networks.

Some important notes regarding IP addresses:

The class can be determined easily from field1:

The class can be determined easily from field1:

field1 = 1-126: Class A

field1 = 128-191: Class B

field1 = 192-223: Class C

(field1 values not shown are reserved for special uses)

A host ID can have any value except all fields set to 0 or all fields set to 255, as those values are reserved for special uses.

6.2 Subnet masks

A *mask* looks like a regular IP address, but contains a pattern of bits that tells what parts of an IP address are the network ID and what parts are the host ID: bits set to 1 mean “this bit is part of the network ID” and bits set to 0 mean “this bit is part of the host ID.”

Subnet masks are used to define *subnets* (what you get after dividing a network into smaller pieces). A subnet’s network ID is created by “borrowing” one or more bits from the host ID portion of the address. The subnet mask identifies these host ID bits.

For example, consider a class C network 192.168.1. To split this into two subnets, you would use the subnet mask:

255.255.255.128

It’s easier to see what’s happening if we write this in binary:

11111111. 11111111. 11111111.10000000

As with any class C address, all of the bits in field1 through field 3 are part of the network ID, but note how the mask specifies that the first bit in field 4 is also included. Since this extra bit has only two values (0 and 1), this means there are two subnets. Each subnet uses the remaining 7 bits in field4 for its host IDs, which range from 0 to 127 (instead of the usual 0 to 255 for a class C address).

Similarly, to split a class C network into four subnets, the mask is:

255.255.255.192 or 11111111. 11111111. 11111111.11000000

The two extra bits in Field 4 can have four values (00, 01, 10, 11), so there are four subnets. Each subnet uses the remaining six bits in field4 for its host IDs, ranging from 0 to 63.

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- Sometimes a subnet mask does not specify any additional network ID bits, thus no subnets. Such a mask is called a *default subnet mask*. These masks are:
 - Class A: 255.0.0.0
 - Class B: 255.255.0.0
 - Class C: 255.255.255.0
 - These are called *default* because they are used when a network is initially configured, at which time it has no subnets.
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7 Troubleshooting

This section gives instructions for using several IP utilities to diagnose problems. A list of possible problems with suggestion actions is also provided.

All the known bugs are listed in the release note. Read the release note before you set up the switch. Contact Customer Support if these suggestions do not resolve the problem.

7.1 Diagnosing problems using IP utilities

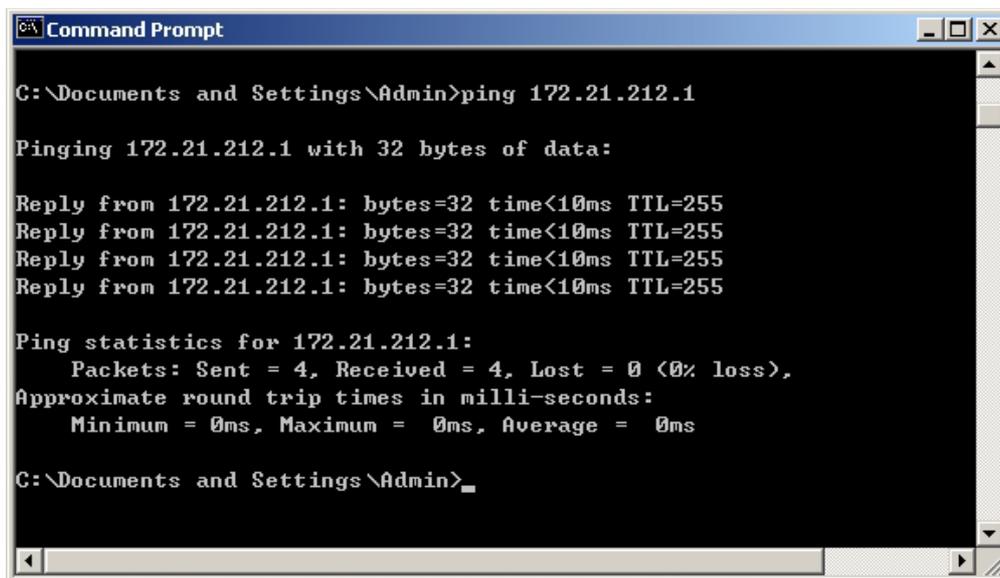
7.1.1 ping

Ping is a command you can use to check whether your PC can recognize other computers on your network and the Internet. A ping command sends a message to the computer that you specify. If the computer receives the message, it sends messages in reply. To use it, you must know the IP address of the computer with which you are trying to communicate.

On Windows-based computers, you can execute a ping command from the Start menu. Click the Start button, and then click Run. In the Open text box, type a statement such as the following: **ping 172.21.212.1**

Click. You can substitute any private IP address on your LAN or a public IP address for an Internet site, if known.

If the target computer receives the message, a Command Prompt window appears as shown in Figure 52.



```
CA Command Prompt
C:\Documents and Settings\Admin>ping 172.21.212.1

Pinging 172.21.212.1 with 32 bytes of data:

Reply from 172.21.212.1: bytes=32 time<10ms TTL=255

Ping statistics for 172.21.212.1:
    Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),
    Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
        Minimum = 0ms, Maximum = 0ms, Average = 0ms

C:\Documents and Settings\Admin>
```

Figure 44. Using the ping utility

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If the target computer cannot be located, you will receive the message “Request timed out.”

Using the ping command, you can test whether the path to the switch is working (using the pre-configured default LAN IP address 192.168.1.1) or another address you assigned.

You can also test whether access to the Internet is working by typing an external address, such as that for www.yahoo.com (216.115.108.243). If you do not know the IP address of a particular Internet location, you can use the nslookup command, as explained in the following section.

From most other IP-enabled operating systems, you can execute the same command at a command prompt or through a system administration utility.

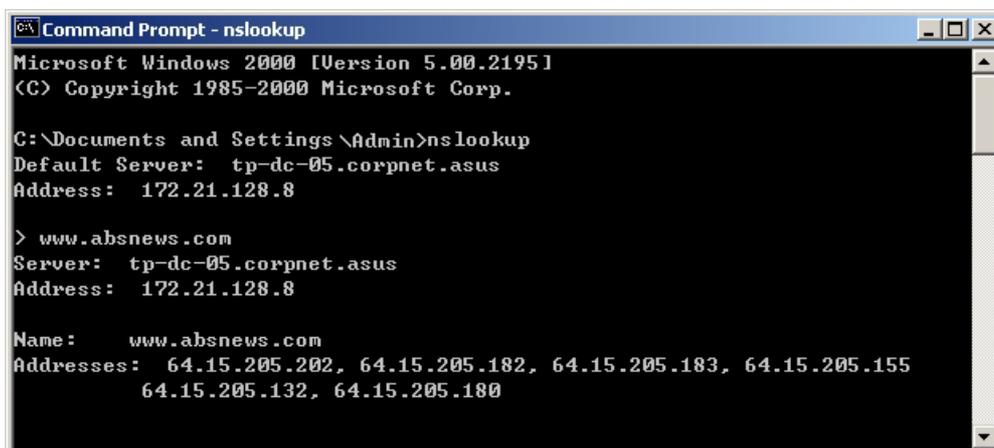
7.1.2 nslookup

You can use the nslookup command to determine the IP address associated with an Internet site name. You specify the common name, and the nslookup command looks up the name on your DNS server (usually located with your ISP). If that name is not an entry in your ISP’s DNS table, the request is then referred to another higher-level server, and so on, until the entry is found. The server then returns the associated IP address.

On Windows-based computers, you can execute the nslookup command from the Start menu. Click the Start button, then click Run. In the Open text box, type the following: **nslookup**

Click **[OK]**. A Command Prompt window displays with a bracket prompt (>). At the prompt, type the name of the Internet address you are interested in, such as www.absnews.com.

The window displays the associate IP address, if known. See Figure 54.



```
Command Prompt - nslookup
Microsoft Windows 2000 [Version 5.00.2195]
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C:\Documents and Settings\Admin>nslookup
Default Server:  tp-dc-05.corpnet.asus
Address:  172.21.128.8

> www.absnews.com
Server:  tp-dc-05.corpnet.asus
Address:  172.21.128.8

Name:    www.absnews.com
Addresses:  64.15.205.202, 64.15.205.182, 64.15.205.183, 64.15.205.155
           64.15.205.132, 64.15.205.180
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Figure 45. Using the nslookup utility

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There may be several addresses associated with an Internet name. This is common for web sites that receive heavy traffic; they use multiple, redundant servers to carry the same information.

To exit from the nslookup utility, type **exit** and press <**Enter**> at the command prompt.

7.2 Replacing defective fans

Turn off the power of the switch when you remove the fan module on the rear side of the switch.

When any one of the switch fans (located on the rear panel) becomes defective, you can easily replace it following these steps.

1. Unlock the fan module by loosening the thumbscrew that secures it to the rear panel.

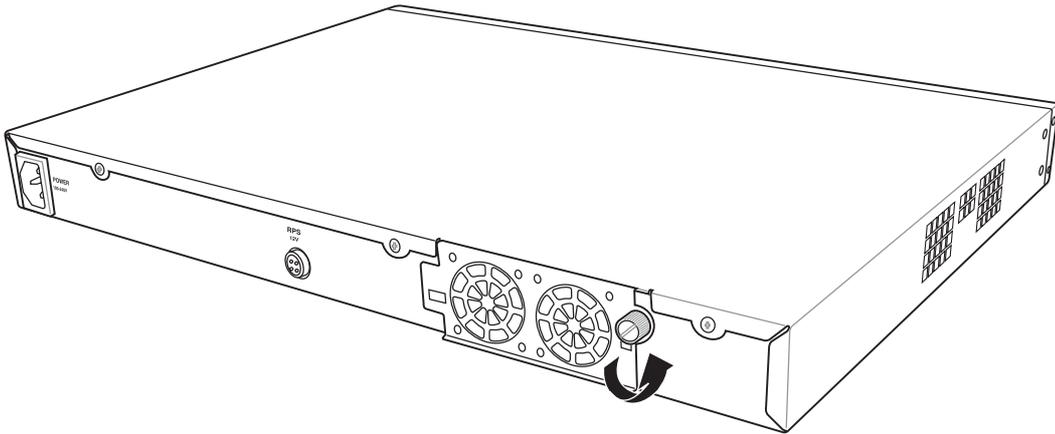


Figure 46. Loosening the thumbscrew

2. Carefully pull the module out as shown.

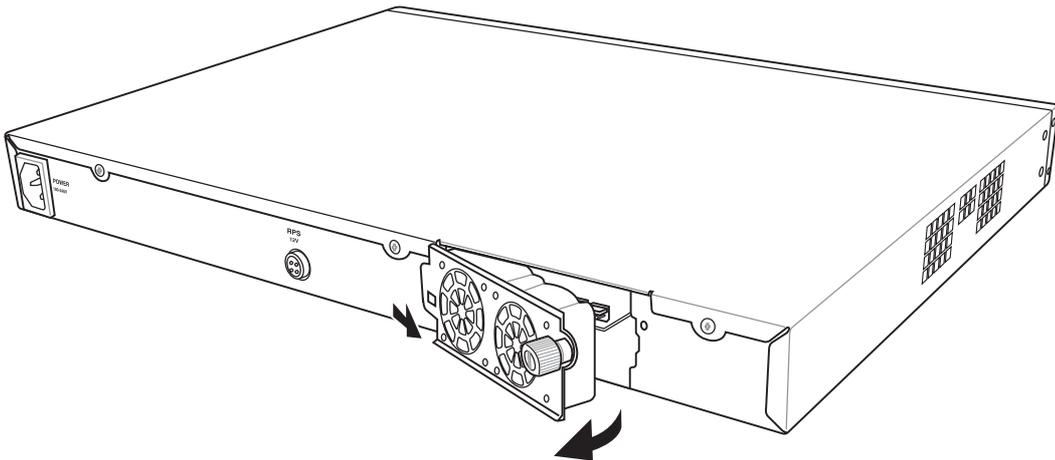


Figure 47. Removing the fan module

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3. Carefully pull the two power cables from the fan connectors.
4. Loosen the screws that secure the fan to the module. Remove the defective fan.

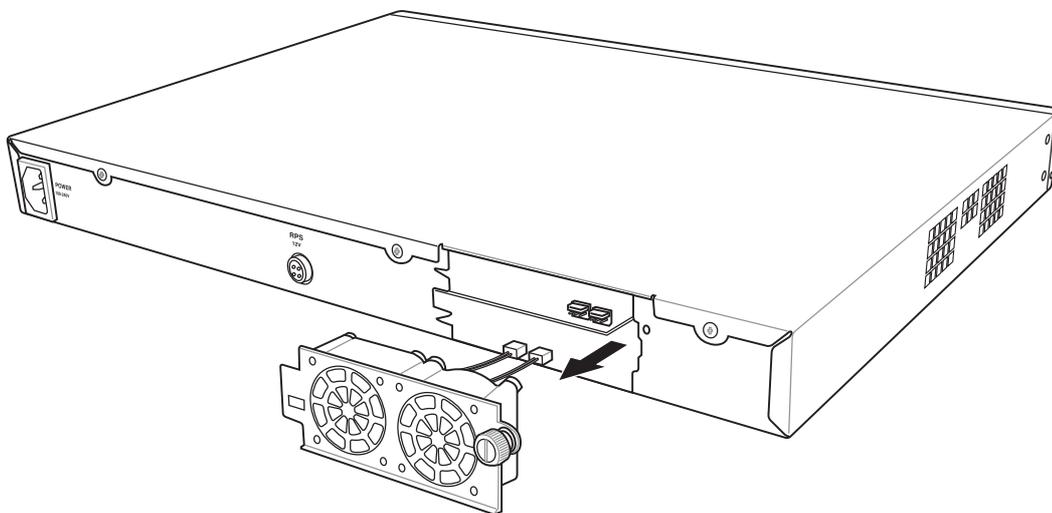


Figure 48. Detaching the fan from the module

5. Fasten the new fan with the screws that you removed earlier. Make sure that the fan cable is near the bottom of the module.

Follow the same steps to replace the other fan.

6. Connect the fan cables to the PCB. Make sure that the fan cables are connected to the correct fan connector. FAN 1 is on the left side when you are facing the rear panel.
7. Insert the fan module to the switch chassis until it fits in place. Make sure that the fan power cables are not caught between the fan module and chassis.
8. Secure the fan module to the chassis with the thumbscrew. Check around the fan module to make sure no cable is caught between the chassis and the fan module.

Fan specifications

Dimensions: 40 x 40 x 20 mm

Voltage and Current: 12VDC, 0.13A

Speed: 8200RPM

7.3 Simple fixes

The following table lists some common problems that you may encounter when installing or using the switch, and the suggested actions to solve the problems.

LEDs

SYSTEM LED does not light up after the switch is turned on.

Verify if the power cord is securely connected to the switch and a wall socket/power strip.

RPS LED does not light up after a redundant power supply is attached.

1. Verify if the RPS cable is securely connected to the RPS connector and a wall socket/power strip.
2. Make sure that the RPS meets with the standards provided in the RPS section.

FAN LED is amber blinking

Check the fans on the back of the switch. If any of the fans is defective, refer to section 7.2 to replace the fan.

Gigabit Ethernet Link LED does not illuminate after an Ethernet cable is attached.

1. Verify if the Ethernet cable is securely connected to your LAN switch/hub/PC and to the switch. Make sure the PC and/or hub/switch is turned on.
2. Verify if your cable is sufficient for your network requirements. A 1000 Mbps network (1000BaseTx) should use cables labeled Cat 5 or Cat 6. Lower “Cat(egory)” cables will result in slower speeds.

Network Access

PC cannot access another host in the same network

1. Check the Ethernet cabling is good and the LED is green.
2. If the port LED is amber, check if this port is disabled. You may experience a disconnected network in a short period (around 1 minute) if you just turned on the STP.

PCs cannot display web configuration pages.

1. The switch is powered up and the connecting port is enabled. The factory default IP for the switch is 192.168.1.1.
2. Verify your network setup in your PC for this information. If your PC does not have a valid route to access the switch, change the switch IP to an appropriate IP that your PC can access.
3. Ping “switch IP” from the PC, if it still fails, repeat step 2.
4. If ping is successful but the web configuration still fails, connecting PC through the console port by a RS232 or USB, check if any filter rule or static MAC address is set to block the WEB traffics.

Web Configuration Interface

You forgot/lost your WEB Configuration Interface user ID or password.

1. If you have not changed the password from the default, try using “admin” as the user ID and bypassing password.
2. Login to console mode through RS232 or USB, use “sys user show” to display the lost information.
3. Enter BootROM mode, use “w” to enable administrator password reset (user ID is reset too). Then, type “g” and press Enter to execute firmware. Note that the user ID and password is reset just once.

Some pages do not display completely

1. Verify that you are using Internet Explorer v5.5 or later. Netscape is not supported. Support for Javascript® must be enabled in your browser. Support for Java® may also be required.
2. Ping the switch IP address to see if the link is stable. If some ping packets fail, check your network setup to make sure a valid setting.

Changes to Configuration are not being retained.

Be sure to click on [**Save**] button in the **Save Configuration** page to save any changes.

Console Interface

Cannot show the texts on the terminal emulator.

1. The factory default baud rate is 9600, no flow control, 8 bit data, no parity check and stop bit is one.
2. Change your terminal emulator setup to this number. If you are using USB to connect the switch, install the USB driver first.
3. Check if the cable is good.

8 Glossary

10BASE-T	A designation for the type of wiring used by Ethernet networks with a data rate of 10 Mbps. Also known as Category 3 (CAT 3) wiring. See <i>also data rate, Ethernet</i> .
100BASE-T	A designation for the type of wiring used by Ethernet networks with a data rate of 100 Mbps. Also known as Category 5 (CAT 5) wiring. See <i>also data rate, Ethernet</i> .
1000BASE-T	A designation for the type of wiring used by Ethernet networks with a data rate of 1000 Mbps.
binary	The “base two” system of numbers, that uses only two digits, 0 and 1, to represent all numbers. In binary, the number 1 is written as 1, 2 as 10, 3 as 11, 4 as 100, etc. Although expressed as decimal numbers for convenience, IP addresses in actual use are binary numbers; e.g., the IP address 209.191.4.240 is 11010001.10111111.00000100.11110000 in binary. See <i>also bit, IP address, network mask</i> .
bit	Short for “binary digit,” a bit is a number that can have two values, 0 or 1. See <i>also binary</i> .
bps	bits per second
CoS	Class of Service. Defined in 802.1Q, the value range is from 0 to 7.
broadcast	To send data to all computers on a network.
download	To transfer data in the downstream direction, i.e., from the Internet to the user.
Ethernet	The most commonly installed computer network technology, usually using twisted pair wiring. Ethernet data rates are 10 Mbps and 100 Mbps. See <i>also 10BASE-T, 100BASE-T, twisted pair</i> .
filtering	To screen out selected types of data, based on filtering rules. Filtering can be applied in one direction (ingress or egress), or in both directions.
filtering rule	A rule that specifies what kinds of data the a routing device will accept and/or reject. Filtering rules are defined to operate on an interface (or multiple interfaces) and in a particular direction (upstream, downstream, or both).
FTP	File Transfer Protocol - A program used to transfer files between computers connected to the Internet. Common uses include uploading new or updated files to a web server, and downloading files from a web server.
host	A device (usually a computer) connected to a network.

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HTTP	Hyper-Text Transfer Protocol - HTTP is the main protocol used to transfer data from web sites so that it can be displayed by web browsers. <i>See also web browser, web site.</i>
ICMP	Internet Control Message Protocol - An Internet protocol used to report errors and other network-related information. The ping command makes use of ICMP.
IGMP	Internet Group Management Protocol - An Internet protocol that enables a computer to share information about its membership in multicast groups with adjacent routers. A multicast group of computers is one whose members have designated as interested in receiving specific content from the others. Multicasting to an IGMP group can be used to simultaneously update the address books of a group of mobile computer users or to send company newsletters to a distribution list.
IGMP Snooping	Snoop the IGMP packets on each port and associate the port with a layer 2 muticast group.
Internet	The global collection of interconnected networks used for both private and business communications.
intranet	A private, company-internal network that looks like part of the Internet (users access information using web browsers), but is accessible only by employees.
IP	<i>See TCP/IP.</i>
IP address	Internet Protocol address - The address of a host (computer) on the Internet, consisting of four numbers, each from 0 to 255, separated by periods, e.g., 209.191.4.240. An IP address consists of a <i>network ID</i> that identifies the particular network the host belongs to, and a <i>host ID</i> uniquely identifying the host itself on that network. A network mask is used to define the network ID and the host ID. Because IP addresses are difficult to remember, they usually have an associated domain name that can be specified instead. <i>See also domain name, network mask.</i>
ISP	Internet Service Provider - A company that provides Internet access to its customers, usually for a fee.
LAN	Local Area Network - A network limited to a small geographic area, such as a home, office, or small building.
LED	Light Emitting Diode - An electronic light-emitting device. The indicator lights on the front panel of the switch are LEDs.
MAC address	Media Access Control address - The permanent hardware address of a device, assigned by its manufacturer. MAC addresses are expressed as six pairs of characters.
mask	<i>See network mask.</i>

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Multicast	To send data to a group of network devices.
Mbps	Abbreviation for Megabits per second, or one million bits per second. Network data rates are often expressed in Mbps.
Monitor	Also called “ <i>Roving Analysis</i> ”, allow you to attach a network analyzer to one port and use it to monitor the traffics of other ports on the switch.
network	A group of computers that are connected together, allowing them to communicate with each other and share resources, such as software, files, etc. A network can be small, such as a <i>LAN</i> , or very large, such as the <i>Internet</i> .
network mask	A network mask is a sequence of bits applied to an IP address to select the network ID while ignoring the host ID. Bits set to 1 mean “select this bit” while bits set to 0 mean “ignore this bit.” For example, if the network mask 255.255.255.0 is applied to the IP address 100.10.50.1, the network ID is 100.10.50, and the host ID is 1. See also <i>binary, IP address, subnet, “IP Addresses Explained” section</i> .
NIC	Network Interface Card - An adapter card that plugs into your computer and provides the physical interface to your network cabling, which for Ethernet NICs is typically an RJ-45 connector. See <i>Ethernet, RJ-45</i> .
packet	Data transmitted on a network consists of units called packets. Each packet contains a payload (the data), plus overhead information such as where it came from (source address) and where it should go (destination address).
ping	Packet Internet (or Inter-Network) Groper - A program used to verify whether the host associated with an IP address is online. It can also be used to reveal the IP address for a given domain name.
port	A physical access point to a device such as a computer or router, through which data flows into and out of the device.
protocol	A set of rules governing the transmission of data. In order for a data transmission to work, both ends of the connection have to follow the rules of the protocol.
remote	In a physically separate location. For example, an employee away on travel who logs in to the company’s intranet is a remote user.
RJ-45	Registered Jack Standard-45 - The 8-pin plug used in transmitting data over phone lines. Ethernet cabling usually uses this type of connector.
RMON	Remote Monitoring - Extensions to SNMP, provide comprehensive network monitoring capabilities.

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routing	Forwarding data between your network and the Internet on the most efficient route, based on the data's destination IP address and current network conditions. A device that performs routing is called a router.
SNMP	Simple Network Management Protocol - The TCP/IP protocol used for network management.
STP	Spanning Tree Protocol - The bridge protocol to avoid packet looping in a complicate network.
subnet	A subnet is a portion of a network. The subnet is distinguished from the larger network by a <i>subnet mask</i> which selects some of the computers of the network and excludes all others. The subnet's computers remain physically connected to the rest of the parent network, but they are treated as though they were on a separate network. <i>See also network mask.</i>
subnet mask	A mask that defines a subnet. <i>See also network mask.</i>
TCP	<i>See TCP/IP.</i>
TCP/IP	Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol - The basic protocols used on the Internet. TCP is responsible for dividing data up into packets for delivery and reassembling them at the destination, while IP is responsible for delivering the packets from source to destination. When TCP and IP are bundled with higher-level applications such as HTTP, FTP, Telnet, etc., TCP/IP refers to this whole suite of protocols.
Telnet	An interactive, character-based program used to access a remote computer. While HTTP (the web protocol) and FTP only allow you to download files from a remote computer, Telnet allows you to log into and use a computer from a remote location.
TFTP	Trivial File Transfer Protocol - A protocol for file transfers, TFTP is easier to use than File Transfer Protocol (FTP) but not as capable or secure.
Trunk	Two or more ports are combined as one virtual port, also called as Link Aggregation.
TTL	Time To Live - A field in an IP packet that limits the life span of that packet. Originally meant as a time duration, the TTL is usually represented instead as a maximum hop count; each router that receives a packet decrements this field by one. When the TTL reaches zero, the packet is discarded.

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twisted pair	The ordinary copper telephone wiring long used by telephone companies. It contains one or more wire pairs twisted together to reduce inductance and noise. Each telephone line uses one pair. In homes, it is most often installed with two pairs. For Ethernet LANs, a higher grade called Category 3 (CAT 3) is used for 10BASE-T networks, and an even higher grade called Category 5 (CAT 5) is used for 100BASE-T networks. <i>See also 10BASE-T, 100BASE-T, Ethernet.</i>
upstream	The direction of data transmission from the user to the Internet.
VLAN	Virtual Local Area Network
WAN	Wide Area Network - Any network spread over a large geographical area, such as a country or continent. Usually, WAN refers to the Internet.
Web browser	A software program that uses Hyper-Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP) to download information from (and upload to) web sites, and displays the information, which may consist of text, graphic images, audio, or video, to the user. Web browsers use Hyper-Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP). Popular web browsers include Netscape Navigator and Microsoft Internet Explorer. <i>See also HTTP, web site, WWW.</i>
Web page	A web site file typically containing text, graphics and hyperlinks (cross-references) to the other pages on that web site, as well as to pages on other web sites. When a user accesses a web site, the first page that is displayed is called the <i>home page</i> . <i>See also hyperlink, web site.</i>
Web site	A computer on the Internet that distributes information to (and gets information from) remote users through web browsers. A web site typically consists of web pages that contain text, graphics, and hyperlinks. <i>See also hyperlink, web page.</i>
WWW	World Wide Web - Also called <i>(the) Web</i> . Collective term for all web sites anywhere in the world that can be accessed via the Internet

