

# What is a convergence switch



## Overview

When a switch boots it participates in the STP convergence process to determine which of its ports will root or designated ports, and which ports must block the flow of traffic. During the convergence process each switch port goes through four STP states, in the order presented in the. Most students are familiar with the basics of (classic) spanning tree: how a root bridge is elected, how the switches decide what interfaces become designated, non-designated, root ports, etc. Once the topology has converged, it doesn't stop. Also there are other changes like the addition of switch or failure of port of an existing switch. The switches elect a single switch as the root bridge. HTH It's essentially the process of a dynamic routing protocol noticing "oh no one. Some people state that convergence follows this schematics: Others state that each port cycles through 4 states (Blocking, Listening, Learning, Forwarding). For me, both "models".

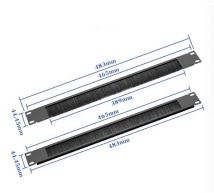
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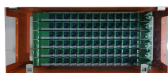
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Convergence is simply reacting to a change in a topology. When ospf routers first come up they are in a state of convergence, when that is done they will shift into a "stable" state.



Every time a switch receives a BPDU, it has to make decisions. When the topology remains the same then the switch will keep making the same decisions over and over again.



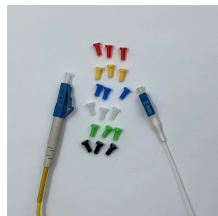
Converged Switch: Merges packet-switching technology with voice signaling and call-processing technology, with QoS, redundant power supply and security features built in to deliver ...



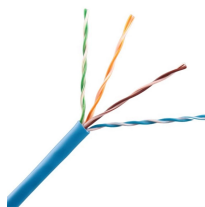
Each switch then recalculates the spanning tree and selects a new active path. Convergence in STP can take several seconds, during which time the network may experience packet loss or delay.



If you Google the phrase “Converged Network” you'll discover that it has many different meanings, but for our purposes here we'll discuss how network convergence has affected building ...



Once the Spanning Tree Topology (STP) is established, STP continues to work until some changes occurs. Manual changes that Network Engineer can apply are configuration of Bridge ID ...



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First of all, the answer doesn't explain the whole convergence process. Furthermore, I don't understand how a bridge decides that it is not connected to another bridge performing STP.



This question is based on readings from the Office CCNP Switch 642-813 Guide (Cisco Press). The book discusses the convergence process when a L2 switched network undergoes direct and indirect ...

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