## LevelOne

# 8 port Fast Ethernet Switch with Two Gigabit port

User's Guide

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## About This Guide

This user's guide tells you how to install your LevelOne GSW-2010T Switch , how to connect it to your network

#### Overview of this User's Guide

- *Introduction*. Describes the Switch and its features.
- *Unpacking and Setup*. Helps you get started with the basic installation of the Switch.
- ◆ *Identifying External Components*. Describes the front panel, rear panel, and LED indicators of the Switch.
- *Connecting the Switch.* Tells how you can connect the Switch to your Ethernet network.
- *Technical Specifications*. Lists the technical specifications of the 8 port Fast Ethernet Switch with Two Gigabit port.

## INTRODUCTION

This section describes the features of the LevelOne GSW-2010T Switch, as well as giving some background information about Gigabit Ethernet, Fast Ethernet and Switching technology.

## **Gigabit Ethernet Technology**

Gigabit Ethernet is an extension of IEEE 802.3 Ethernet utilizing the same packet structure, format, and support for CSMA/CD protocol, full duplex, flow control, and management objects, but with a tenfold increase in theoretical throughput over 100-Mbps Fast Ethernet and a hundredfold increase over 10-Mbps Ethernet. Since it is compatible with all 10-Mbps and 100-Mbps Ethernet environments, Gigabit Ethernet provides a straightforward upgrade without wasting a company's existing investment in hardware, software, and trained personnel.

The increased speed and extra bandwidth offered by Gigabit Ethernet is essential to coping with the network bottlenecks that frequently develop as computers and their busses get faster and more users use applications that generate more traffic. Upgrading key components, such as your backbone and servers to Gigabit Ethernet can greatly improve network response times as well as significantly speed up the traffic between your subnets.

Gigabit Ethernet enables fast optical fiber connections to support video conferencing, complex imaging, and similar data-intensive applications. Likewise, since data transfers occur 10 times faster than Fast Ethernet, servers outfitted with Gigabit Ethernet NIC's are able to perform 10 times the number of operations in the same amount of time. In addition, the phenomenal bandwidth delivered by Gigabit Ethernet is the most cost-effective method to take advantage of today and tomorrow's rapidly improving switching and routing internetworking technologies. And with expected advances in the coming years in silicon technology and digital signal processing that will enable Gigabit Ethernet to eventually operate over unshielded twisted-pair (UTP) cabling, outfitting your network with a powerful 1000-Mbpscapable backbone/server connection creates a flexible foundation for the next generation of network technology products.

## **Fast Ethernet Technology**

The growing importance of LANs and the increasing complexity of desktop computing applications are fueling the need for high performance networks. A number of high-speed LAN technologies have been proposed to provide greater bandwidth and improve client/server response times. Among them, 100BASE-T (Fast Ethernet) provides a non-disruptive, smooth evolution from the current 10BASE-T technology. The non-disruptive and smooth evolution nature, and the dominating potential market base, virtually guarantee cost effective and high performance Fast Ethernet solutions in the years to come.

100Mbps Fast Ethernet is a new standard specified by the IEEE 802.3 LAN committee. It is an extension of the 10Mbps Ethernet standard with the ability to transmit and receive data at 100Mbps, while maintaining the CSMA/CD Ethernet protocol. Since the 100Mbps Fast Ethernet is compatible with all other 10Mbps Ethernet environments, it provides a straightforward upgrade and takes advantage of the existing investment in hardware, software, and personnel training.

## Switching Technology

Another key development pushing the limits of Ethernet technology is in the field of switching technology. A switch bridges Ethernet packets at the MAC address level of the Ethernet protocol transmitting among connected Ethernet or fast Ethernet LAN segments.

Switching is a cost-effective way of increasing the total network capacity available to users on a local area network. A switch increases capacity and decreases network loading by making it possible for a local area network to be divided into different *segments* which don't compete with each other for network transmission capacity, giving a decreased load on each.

The switch acts as a high-speed selective bridge between the individual segments. Traffic that needs to go from one segment to another is automatically forwarded by the switch, without interfering with any other segments. This allows the total network capacity to be multiplied, while still maintaining the same network cabling and adapter cards.

Switching LAN technology is a marked improvement over the previous generation of network bridges, which were characterized by higher latencies. Routers have also been used to segment local area networks, but the cost of a router and the setup and maintenance required make routers relatively impractical. Today's switches are an ideal solution to most kinds of local area network congestion problems.

### Features

The LevelOne GSW-2010T Switch was designed for easy installation and high performance in an environment where traffic on the network and the number of users increase continuously.

Switch features include:

### **Ports**

- ◆ Two 10/100/1000Mbps Gigabit Ethernet port (port 9 ~ 10).
- ◆ Eight 10/100Mbps Fast Ethernet ports (port 1 ~ 8).

## Performance features

- Store and forward switching scheme capability to support rate adaptation and protocol conversion.
- Full duplex to allow two communicating stations to transmit and receive at the same time.
- Wire-speed data forwarding rate for each port.
- Wire-speed data filtering rate for each port.
- 6K active MAC address entry table per device with automatic learning and aging.
- 256K bits packet buffer per device.
- Supports broadcast storm rate filtering.

## UNPACKING AND SETUP

This chapter provides unpacking and setup information for the Switch.

### Unpacking

Open the shipping carton of the Switch and carefully unpack its contents. The carton should contain the following items:

- One 8 port Fast Ethernet Switch with Two Gigabit port
- Four rubber feet with adhesive backing
- One AC power cord
- This User's Guide

If any item is found missing or damaged, please contact your local reseller for replacement.

### Setup

The setup of the Switch can be performed using the following steps:

- The surface must support at least 5 kg.
- The power outlet should be within 1.82 meters (6 feet) of the device.

- Visually inspect the power cord and see that it is secured fully to the AC power connector.
- Make sure that there is proper heat dissipation from and adequate ventilation around the Switch. Do not place heavy objects on the Switch.

## **Desktop or Shelf Installation**

When installing the Switch on a desktop or shelf, the rubber feet included with the device must be first attached. Attach these cushioning feet on the bottom at each corner of the device. Allow enough ventilation space between the device and the objects around it.

### **Connecting Network Cable**

The Gigabit Ethernet Switch supports two 10/100/1000Mbps Gigabit Ethernet ports and eight 10/100Mbps Fast Ethernet ports. Port 1 to port 8 supports 10Mbps Ethernet or 100Mbps Fast Ethernet. Port 9 to port 10 are Gigabit Ethernet port, it supports 10Mbps, 100Mbps and 1000Mbps. And these ports runs both half duplex and full duplex while it's running in 10Mbps, 100Mbps or 1000Mbps.

These ports are Auto-MDI type port, these ports can auto transform to MDI-II or MDI-X type, so you can just make an easy connection that without worrying if you are using a standard or crossover cable.

### Power on

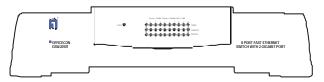
The LevelOne GSW-2010T Switch can be used with AC power sources 100 - 240 VAC, 50 - 60 Hz. The Switch's power supply will adjust to the local power source automatically and may be turned on without having any or all LAN segment cables connected.

## **IDENTIFYING EXTERNAL COMPONENTS**

This chapter describes the front panel, rear panel and LED indicators of the Switch

## Front Panel

The front panel of the Switch consists of Eight 10/100Mbps Ethernet ports, Two 10/100/1000Mbps Gigabit Ethernet port, and LED indicators.



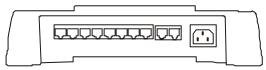
#### Figure 3-1. Front panel view of the 8 port Fast Ethernet Switch with Two Gigabit port

- ◆ Two 10/100/1000Mbps Gigabit Ethernet ports (port 9 ~10).
- ◆ Eight 10/100Mbps Fast Ethernet ports (port 1 ~ 8).

• Comprehensive LED indicators that display the conditions of the Switch and status of the network. A description of these LED indicators follows (see *LED Indicators*).

### **Rear Panel**

The rear panel of the Switch consists of an AC power connector. The following shows the rear panel of the Switch.



#### Figure 3-2. Rear panel view of the 8 port Fast Ethernet Switch with Two Gigabit port

AC Power Connector This is a three-pronged connector that supports the power cord. Plug in the female connector of the provided power cord into this connector, and the male into a power outlet. Supported input voltages range from 100 ~ 240 VAC at 50 ~ 60 Hz.

### **LED Indicators**

The LED indicators of the Switch include Power, SPEED, LINK/ACT and FDX/COL. The following shows the LED indicators for the Switch along with an explanation of each indicator.

Figure 3-3. The 8 port Fast Ethernet Switch with Two Gigabit port

#### LED indicators

- **POWER** After turning on the power, the Power indicator on the front panel should light to indicate the Switch is receiving power.
- **SPEED** The indicator lights amber when the port is connected to 1000Mbps Gigabit Ethernet station, and the indicator lights green when the port is connected to 100Mbps Fast Ethernet station. Otherwise, this indicator remains off when the port is connected to a 10Mbps Ethernet station.
- LINK/ACT This indicator light green when this port is connected to a station successful, if this indicator blinking green means this port will be transmitting or received data on the network.
- ◆ FDX/COL This LED indicator light green when a respective port is in full duplex (FDX) mode. Otherwise, it is blinking green when collisions are occurring on the respective port.

## **TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

General		
Standards:	IEEE 802.3 10BASE-T Ethernet	
	IEEE 802.3u 100BASE-TX Fast Ethernet	
	IEEE 802.3z 1000BASE-T Gigabit Ethernet	
	ANSI/IEEE 802.3 Auto-negotiation	
	IEEE 802.3x Full duplex Flow Control	
Protocol:	CSMA/CD	
Data Transfer Rate:	Ethernet: 10Mbps (half-duplex), 20Mbps (full-duplex)	
	Fast Ethernet: 100Mbps (half-duplex), 200Mbps (full-duplex)	
	Gigabit Ethernet: 1000 Mbps (half-duplex), 2000 Mbps (full-duplex)	
Topology	Star	
Network Cables:	Ethernet: 2-pair UTP Cat. 3/4/5, EIA/TIA- 568 STP	
	Fast Ethernet: 2-pair UTP Cat. 5, EIA/TIA-568 STP	
	Gigabit Ethernet: 4-pair UTP Cat. 5, EIA/TIA-568 STP	
Number of Ports:	2 x 10/100/1000Mbps Gigabit Ethernet Auto-MDI port	
	8 x 10/100Mbps Ethernet Auto-MDI port	

Physical and Environmental		
AC inputs:	100 – 240 VAC, 50/60 Hz	
Power Consumption:	30 watts maximum	

Physical and Environmental		
Operating Temperature:	0 ~ 50 degrees Celsius	
Storage Temperature:	-10 ~ 70 degree Celsius	
Humidity:	10% ~ 90% RH, non-condensing	
Dimensions:	280 mm x 180 mm x 44 mm	
EMI:	FCC Class A, CE Mark Class A, VCCI-A	
Safety:	UL (UL 1950), TUV/GS (EN60950)	
Performance		
Transmission Method:	Store-and-forward	
RAM Buffer:	256K bits per device	
Filtering Address Table:	6K MAC address per device	
Packet Filtering / Forwarding Rate:	Ethernet: 14880pps Fast Ethernet: 148800pps Gigabit Ethernet: 1488000pps	
MAC Address Learning:	Self-learning, Auto-aging	