

Router Bridging Fiber Optics



Article Overview

Bridging routers with fiber optics involves using an ONT in bridge mode and connecting routers via wired or wireless links to create a unified network.

Understanding the Fiber Connection

Fiber optic internet delivers data via light signals through glass or plastic fibers, offering high speeds, low latency, and high bandwidth . The Optical Network Terminal (ONT) or Optical Network Unit (ONU) converts these optical signals into electrical Ethernet signals that routers can process . For bridging purposes, the ONT is often set to bridge mode, disabling its routing functions and passing the internet connection directly to your primary router .

Bridging Two Routers

There are two main methods to bridge routers in a fiber setup:

1. Wired Bridging

- Connection: Use an Ethernet cable to connect a LAN port on the primary router to a LAN or WAN port on the secondary router .
- Configuration:
 - Set the secondary router to Access Point (AP) mode to avoid Double NAT issues.
 - Assign a static IP within the primary router's subnet to the secondary router.
- Advantages: Provides a stable, high-speed connection suitable for high-bandwidth applications and reduces latency compared to wireless bridging .

2. Wireless Bridging

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