

Introduction to Juniper Data Center Networking

COURSE OVERVIEW

This three-day introductory course covers Ethernet switching, VLANs, Layer 2 security features, routing policies, link aggregation, load balancing, filter-based forwarding (FBF), routing instances, OSPF, BGP, graceful restart, and Bidirectional Forwarding Detection (BFD). This course also addresses the Ethernet VPN–Virtual Extensible LAN (EVPN–VXLAN) architecture.

This course is based on the virtual EX network device running Junos OS 24.2R1.15.

COURSE LEVEL

[Introduction to Juniper Data Center Networking](#) is an introductory-level course.

AUDIENCE

This course benefits individuals responsible for configuring and managing network equipment in data centers.

PREREQUISITES

- Knowledge of basic TCP/IP networking.
- Understanding of basic layer 2 concepts.
- Moderate Junos CLI experience.
- Familiarity with data center technologies.
- Completion of the Introduction to the Junos Operating System course or equivalent Junos OS configuration experience.

RELATED CERTIFICATION

[JNCIA-DC](#)

RELATED JUNIPER PRODUCTS

QFX Series, EX Series

RECOMMENDED NEXT COURSE

[Data Center Automation using Juniper Astra \(APSTRA\)](#) , [Data Center Fabric with EVPN and VXLAN \(ADCX\)](#), or both

OBJECTIVES

- Identify and describe how to configure a typical data center layout, including spine-and-leaf placements.
- Describe an IP fabric architecture.
- Explain and configure basic Ethernet switching.
- Explain and configure virtual networks (VLANs).
- Describe Layer 2 security.
- Configure load balancing within Junos OS.
- Implement link aggregation.
- Describe and implement protocol-independent routing.
- Create routing instances with Junos OS.
- Implement FBF using Junos OS.
- Explain load balancing.
- Describe and configure OSPF.
- Describe and deploy BGP.
- Implement graceful restart and BFD using Junos OS.

COURSE CONTENTS

DAY 1

Module 1: Traditional Data Centers Versus Modern Data Centers

- Explain the traditional multilayer architecture
- Describe an IP fabric environment
- Explain routing in an IP fabric environment
- Discuss Juniper Apstra as a turnkey solution

Module 2: Ethernet Switching Overview

- Explain the basics of Ethernet switching
- Provide an overview of enterprise switching platforms

Module 3: Configuring Ethernet Switching

- Manage and interpret the Ethernet switching table

Module 4: Virtual Networks Overview

- Describe access port mode and trunk port mode
- Discuss alternate VLAN and data VLAN concepts
- Explain native VLAN routing operations

Module 5: Configuring Virtual Networks

- Configure and monitor VLANs
- Configure and monitor inter-VLAN routing

Lab 1: Configuring Ethernet Switching and VLANs

DAY 2

Module 6: High Availability

- Explain the purpose of high availability
- Identify link aggregation groups
- Review graceful Routing Engine switchover
- Explain nonstop active routing
- Review nonstop bridging
- Explain system-id and multihoming

Lab 2: Configuring High Availability and Link Aggregation

Module 7: Protocol-Independent Routing

- Describe and configure static routes
- Explain and configure aggregate routes
- Explain and configure generated routes

Module 8: Routing Instances

- Describe routing instances
- Configure and share routes between routing instances

Lab 3: Configuring Protocol-Independent Routing and Routing Instances

Module 9: Filter-Based Forwarding

- Explain the benefits of filter-based forwarding
- Configure and monitor filter-based forwarding

Course Outline

Module 10: Load Balancing

- Describe load-balancing concepts and operations
- Implement and monitor Layer 3 load balancing

Lab 4: Configuring Filter-Based Forwarding and Load Balancing

DAY 3

Module 11: Fundamentals of OSPF

- Provide an overview of OSPF
- Explain OSPF scalability
- Describe adjacency formation and designated router election
- Configure and monitor OSPF
- Perform OSPF troubleshooting

Lab 5: Configuring OSPF

Module 12: Fundamentals of BGP

- Describe the basics of BGP
- Explain BGP attributes
- Identify route distinguishers and route targets

Module 13: Deploying BGP

- Compare IBGP versus EBGP
- Configure and monitor BGP

Lab 6: Deploying BGP

Module 14: Graceful Restart and Bidirectional Forwarding Detection

- Configure graceful restart
- Configure BFD

Lab 7: Configuring Graceful Restart and BFD

SELF-STUDY MODULE

Module 15: Port Security

- Identify MAC limiting
- Review the basics of persistent MAC learning
- Review the operational parameters of storm control

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