How do I maximize uptime using power data from the equipment cabinet?

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Learn how the PRO2[™] Switched POPS[®] series PDU with PIPS[®] provides the ultimate in monitoring for the data center equipment cabinet.

Typical Application

As the designer of a large critical-operations data center, I am responsible for providing solutions for maximum uptime and efficiency. I believe that measurement and alerting at all levels of the power chain, especially during fault conditions, is critical to meeting this goal.

For complete efficiency analysis and PUE calculation, I am looking for a cabinet PDU that provides accurate measurements for power of each device in the cabinet. Additionally, I need alerts for high current conditions at the input, which equates to the upstream breaker, and at the internal branch breaker to ensure uptime.

I like the idea of reducing IP addresses by linking a pair of PDUs from redundant power feeds, but I don't want to lose measurements or alerts when the main unit loses power during a fault or maintenance condition.

Our Solution

The Server Technology PRO2 Switched POPS PDU provides amperage measurements at the input, branch, and outlet levels to alert of impending overload through SNMP traps and/or email. PIPS (Per Inlet Power Sensing) and POPS (Per Outlet Power Sensing) technology adds high-accuracy billing-grade measurements of voltage, power, power factor, and energy to be proactive on your power supply management. With multi-level alerting of the various data points, you will remain aware of critical issues in the data center.

Branch Current Thresholds				
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AA1 AA:Branch_1	0.9 A	1.5 A	15.5 A	16.0
A2 AA:Branch_2	0.9 A	1.5 A	15.5 A	16.0
A3 AA:Branch_3	0.9 A	1.5 A	15.5 A	16.0
CA1 CA:Branch_1	0.9 A	1.5 A	15.5 A	16.0
CA2 CA:Branch_2	0.9 A	1.5 A	15.5 A	16.0
DA1 DA:Branch_1	0.9 A	1.5 A	15.5 A	16.0
DA2 DA:Branch_2	0.9 A	1.5 A	15.5 A	16.0
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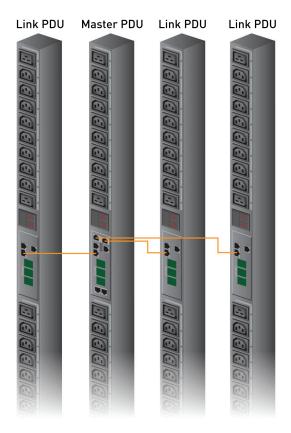
The PRO2 series hot-swappable network card is designed to provide measurement and alert data from the Master PDU and up to three Link PDUs even if power to the master fails. Additionally, as seen in the image below, the link units are wired in a star formation so that failure of any link does not aect communication to the others.

Key PR02 Benefits

- Hot-swappable, redundantly-powered network card (from link PDU)
- Star architecture multi-linking compared to competition's daisy chain design with single point of failure
- Branch current measurements and multi-level alerts
- Shallower enclosure compared to previous generation PDU
- More alarms and conguration options compared to previous generation PDU

Key Intelligent PDU Benefits

- PIPS® and/or POPS® high-accuracy measurements of current, voltage, power, and other key power metrics
- Environmental measurements through plug-and-play probes (including link PDUs)
- SNMP traps and email alerts
- Use PowerIQ by Sunbird for data center monitoring



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