Modular Intelligent Power Distribution for Data Centers



Overview

Partner with ABB to power your data center operations 24/7 with solutions that are space-saving, time-saving, energy-saving, cost-saving and infinitely scalable.

Key Takeaways

Modular intelligent power distribution combines prefabricated, scalable power modules with advanced monitoring and control systems to optimize reliability, efficiency, and scalability in modern data centers.

Overview

Modular intelligent power distribution systems are designed to provide flexible, scalable, and highly reliable power to data centers, particularly those supporting hyperscale, AI, and cloud workloads. These systems integrate medium-voltage (MV) and low-voltage (LV) distribution, UPS, and control systems into factory-tested, prefabricated modules, often referred to as power pods or E-Houses. This approach allows rapid deployment, repeatable design, and easier relocation or expansion across multiple sites (Siemens).

Key Components

Intelligent Power Distribution Units (iPDUs)Provide rack-level monitoring, control, and automation. Enable remote outlet management, energy analytics, and environmental integration. Support high-density AI and cloud workloads by preventing overloads and optimizing energy use (nVent, Blackridge Research).

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Modular Prefabricated Power ModulesFactory-assembled units integrating switchgear, transformers, and control systems. Designed for fast installation, pre-testing, and commissioning, reducing deployment timelines by up to two years. BIM-based digital twin integration allows real-time monitoring, troubleshooting, and lifecycle optimization (Siemens).

Energy Management and Monitoring Systems

Provide real-time transparency into power usage and load distribution. Enable predictive maintenance, efficiency improvements, and compliance with sustainability regulations. Support advanced use cases like waste heat recovery and grid-interactive operations (Siemens, ABB).

Benefits

Scalability and Flexibility: Modular design allows data centers to expand capacity quickly without major infrastructure changes. Operational Reliability: Redundant configurations and intelligent monitoring ensure 99. 99%+ uptime, reducing dependency on diesel generators (Siemens Energy).

Sustainability: Prefabricated steel modules reduce material consumption, support recyclability, and integrate low-carbon solutions like SF6-free switchgear and hydrogen-ready systems. Rapid Deployment: Factory-tested modules and concurrent construction of power and data center facilities accelerate time-to-market and revenue generation. Cost Efficiency: Standardized, repeatable designs reduce engineering, installation, and commissioning costs while enabling relocation or reuse of modules across sites.

Applications

Hyperscale and Cloud Data Centers: High-density, AI-driven workloads requiring reliable, scalable power. Edge and Modular Data Centers: Smaller, distributed facilities benefiting from plug-and-play power modules. Sustainable and Green Data Centers: Facilities aiming to reduce CO2 emissions and integrate renewable or low-carbon energy sources.

Conclusion

Modular intelligent power distribution represents a strategic approach to modern data center design, combining prefabricated, scalable hardware with advanced monitoring and control systems. By integrating MV/LV distribution, UPS, and intelligent PDUs, these solutions enhance reliability, operational efficiency, and sustainability, while enabling rapid deployment and future scalability for evolving digital workloads.

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The evolution of PDUs reflects broader Data Center trends: from low-density setups (0-4 kW per rack) to extreme high-density environments (16+ kW per rack), driven by technologies like blade servers and

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Modular power pods and skids for data centers

Prefabricated, self-contained, modular power pods and power skids provide scalable power distribution and support for critical workloads in any

Power distribution

Because of ABB''s extensive experience in the industrial sector, we have earned a reputation for extremely reliable, robust and environment-friendly power distribution systems for data centers.

Huawei AI Data Center Reference Design

This solution integrates power supply and distribution units, UPSs, lithium batteries, air conditioners, and fire extinguishing systems into a ultra-high protection 40-foot container.

Powering next-gen modular data centers

Eaton, a global leader in intelligent power management, delivers modular, scalable data center electrical systems, structural components, and engineering expertise - from the grid to the chip.

Modular Power Distribution Unit for Data Center

Discover cutting-edge solutions for data center power distribution at TIEON Energy. Improve data center efficiency and security with our innovative power modules.

Comparing Data Center Power Distribution Architectures

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This paper compares five power distribution approaches including panelboard distribution, field-wired PDU distribution, factory-configured PDU distribution, floor-mount modular power distribution, and

PDU Types in Data Centers: Basic, Metered, Switched & Intelligent

Explore different PDU types used in data centers, including basic, metered, monitored, switched, and intelligent PDUs. Learn features, benefits, and top suppliers.

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Toward Resilient, Intelligent Infrastructure As we approach 2026, the data centers that embrace these trends early will gain a meaningful competitive advantage. Resilient, modular power and cooling

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Reliable, efficient and sustainable data center solutions Legrand delivers highly customizable, modular infrastructure for power, cooling, containment, and data networks—engineered for performance,

10 Data Center Trends for AI Infrastructure 2026

What makes a data center “AI-ready” in 2026? An AI-ready data center supports 40kW-100kW rack densities through engineered power distribution, liquid or hybrid cooling systems, low-latency spine

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Schneider Electric, the leader in the digital transformation of energy management and automation, today announced new data center solutions specifically engineered to meet the intensive

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Modular Data Center Design for Rapid AI Deployment

Modular data centers require sophisticated power integration despite their plug-and-play marketing. Medium voltage (12-15kV) service connects to

Siemens and nVent Unveil Nvidia AI Data Centre Blueprint

Power availability, heat rejection and modular expansion are emerging as the dominant challenges for operators building AI-class compute

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