

# PRP Protocol Application Scheme



Highly Reliable Data Transmission Solution  
Defining the New Standard for Power System Monitoring

# PRP Protocol: Principles & Power Monitoring Applications

High-Reliability Data Transmission · Zero-Switch Redundancy · Critical Infrastructure Protection



## 01. FUNDAMENTALS

- Definition & Core Standards
- Working Principle
- Networking Modes



## 02. CORE VALUES

- Zero Switching Time Redundancy
- High Availability Mechanism
- Critical Application Analysis



## 03. POWER MONITORING

- Challenges & Solutions
- PRP Architecture Design
- Core Benefit Summary

**Core Goal:** Establish a highly reliable power communication network with zero packet loss and zero downtime.



## PART 01

# Introduction to PRP Protocol Fundamentals

Parallel Redundancy Protocol (PRP) is a cutting-edge network protocol designed to achieve **zero-loss failover** and ultra-high availability at the Data Link Layer, ensuring uninterrupted communication for mission-critical systems.



### High Availability

Continuous Data Flow



### Zero-Loss Failover

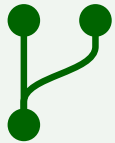
Seamless Switching



### Data Link Layer

OSI Layer 2 Tech

# PRP Protocol Definition and Core Standard



**Layer 2 Protocol**

## Parallel Redundancy Protocol (PRP)

A data link layer protocol achieving high availability by transmitting identical frames over two independent parallel networks (LAN A & B). If one path fails, the receiver switches seamlessly, realizing **"zero switching time"** and **"zero data loss"**.



**IEC Standard**

## Core Standard: IEC 62439-3

Specifically designed for industrial automation networks to ensure high availability. Widely applied in critical mission fields like power systems, rail transit, and industrial control.

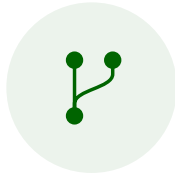
**Mission-Critical Network Availability: Zero Loss, Zero Delay**

# PRP Protocol: Industrial-Grade High Availability Redundancy Mechanism



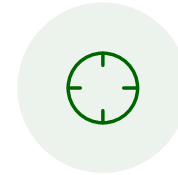
## 01 Frame Replication

The sending node duplicates the original data frame (C-Frame) into two identical frames, preparing for parallel transmission.



## 02 Parallel Transmission

The duplicated A/B frames are transmitted in parallel through two independent physical network ports to the LAN A and LAN B networks.



## 03 Reception & Discard

Identifies duplicates based on RCT trailer, processes the first-arrived valid frame, and automatically discards subsequent duplicates.

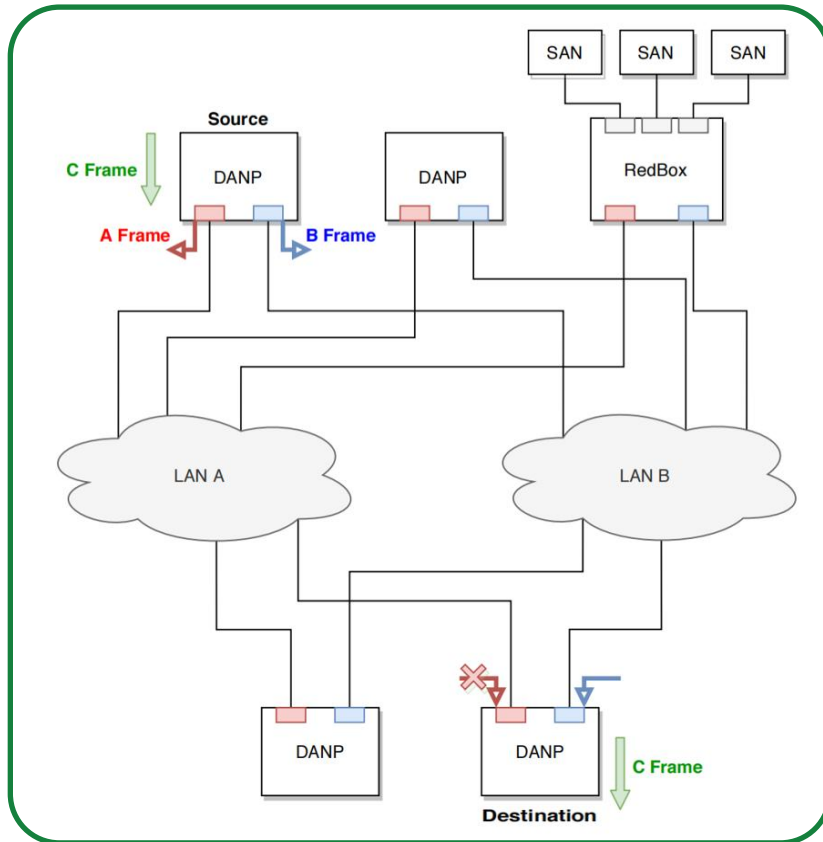


## 04 Fault Tolerance

If any network path fails, the receiving end can still receive data through the other normal link, achieving seamless communication redundancy.

**Seamless Communication & Zero Downtime Guarantee**

# PRP Protocol: Working Principle & Key Components



PRP Protocol Networking Topology



## Source DANP (Transmitter)

Duplicates data packets and sends them simultaneously to both networks.



## LAN A / LAN B (Dual Networks)

Two physically isolated network paths providing redundant transmission channels.



## Destination DANP (Receiver)

Receives dual streams, identifies and discards duplicate frames to ensure data integrity.



## RedBox (Gateway)

Bridges non-PRP devices (Single Attachment Nodes) into the redundant PRP network.



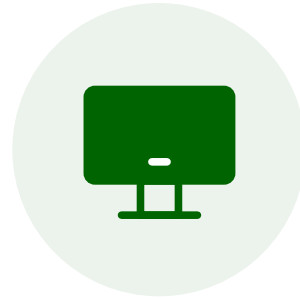
**Zero Interruption Fail Tolerance:** Uninterrupted data delivery even if one network path fails.

# PRP Networking Modes and Key Components



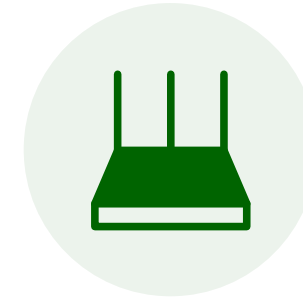
## DANP (Doubly Attached Node)

- Core PRP device with dual interfaces
- Connects to both LAN A & LAN B
- e.g., Power quality monitors



## SAN (Singly Attached Node)

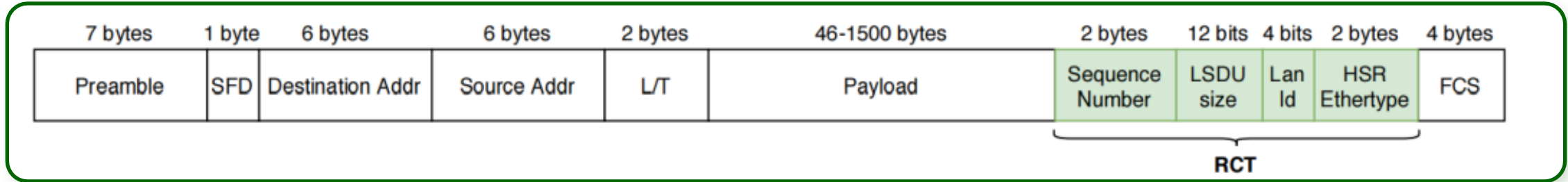
- Standard device (no PRP support)
- Connects to only one network
- Needs RedBox for redundancy



## RedBox (Redundancy Box)

- Bridges SAN devices to PRP network
- Handles packet replication/removal
- Provides redundancy translation

# PRP Frame Format: RCT Redundancy Control Trailer Analysis



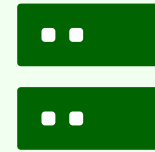
### LSDU Size (2B)

Indicates the original data length



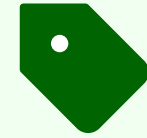
### Sequence Number (2B)

Critical for duplicate frame discard detection



### LAN Id (1B)

Identifies source network (LAN A or LAN B)



### HSR Ethertype (1B)

Fixed value identifier for frame type

**Core Mechanism:** The Sequence Number increments with each frame. Receivers discard duplicates by matching this number with the source address.

## PART 02

# Role and Application Value of PRP Protocol

Core Driver & Value Empowerment of Dual-Net Parallel System



### High Reliability

Zero data loss, continuous transmission even in single network failure



### Real-time Sync

Dual network parallel operation ensures zero-delay data updating



### Data Integrity

Dual backup mechanism, 100% accurate data collection and storage

Core Value: Transition from millisecond outages to genuine seamless redundancy, guaranteeing continuous operation of critical services

# PRP Protocol: Zero-Time Seamless Redundancy

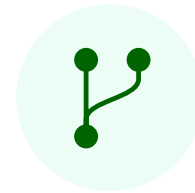


## Traditional Redundancy

(RSTP / MSTP)

- Mode: Active-Standby (One idle)
- Failover: Topology recalculation needed
- Recovery: 10ms ~ 1s+
- Risk: Data Loss / Interruption

 **High Risk of Interruption**



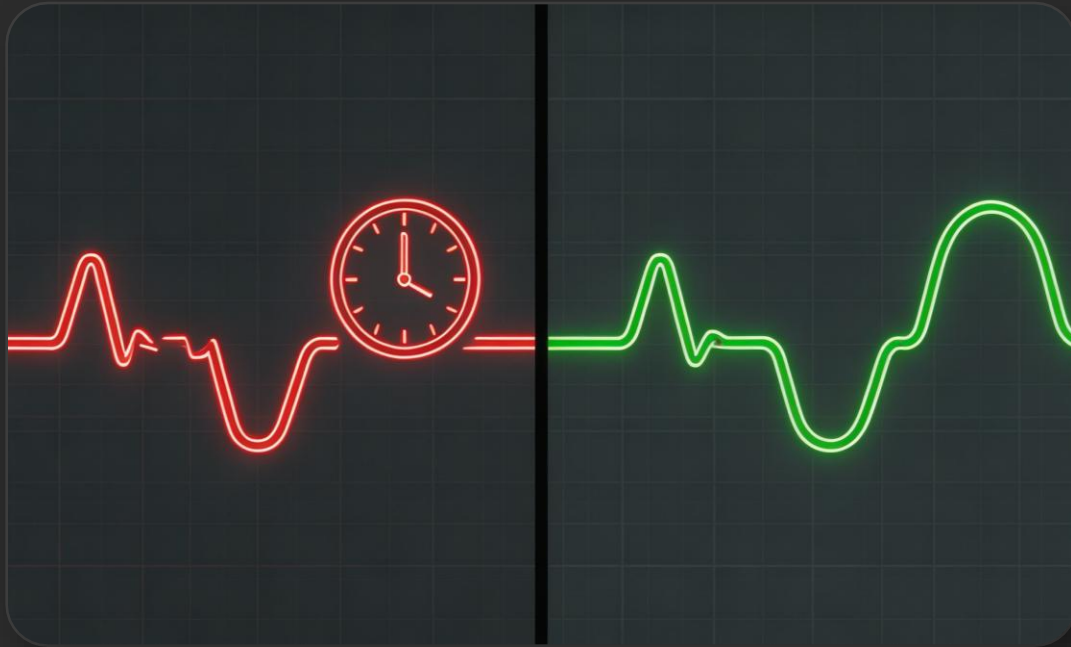
## PRP Parallel Protocol

(Seamless Redundancy)

- Mode: Dual-Active (Both transmit)
- Failover: Ignore faulty frames instantly
- **Recovery: 0 ms (Zero Switching Time)**
- Key Benefit: Zero Loss / No Interruption

 **Zero Loss · Zero Delay · Seamless**

# Network Switching: Interruption vs. Seamless



Visual Comparison: Red (Disruption) vs Green (Seamless)



## Traditional: Intermittent Loss

Inherent switching delays cause transient data loss, leading to analysis errors by missing critical moments.

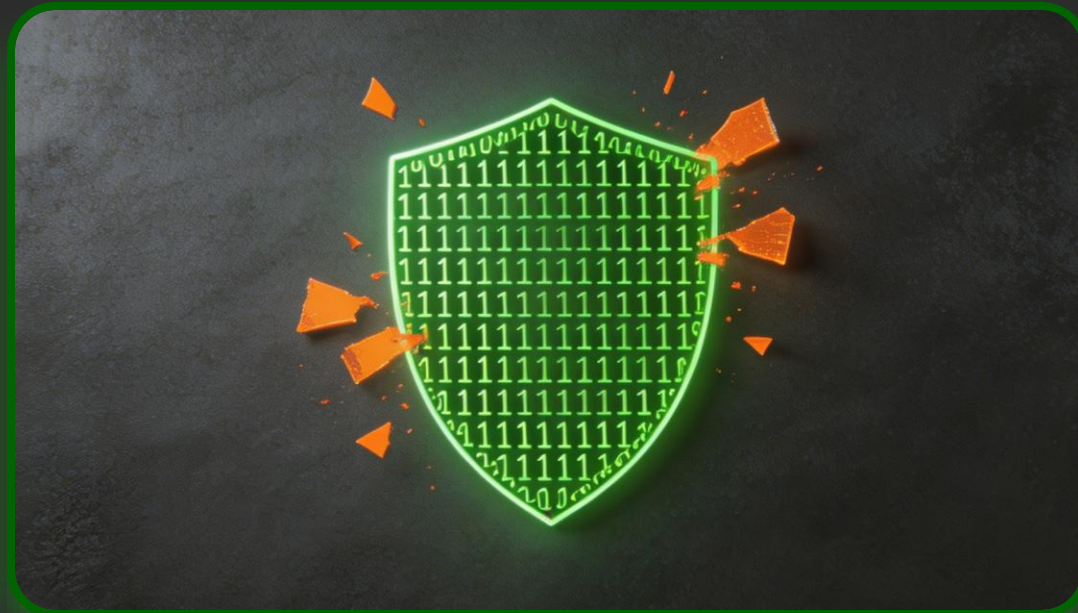


## PRP Network: Seamless

Dual-network parallel transmission ensures zero packet loss, providing maximum data integrity for monitoring.

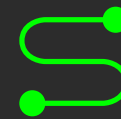
**Key Takeaway: PRP guarantees zero downtime for mission-critical monitoring systems.**

# Ensuring Data Integrity: PRP Technology Captures Critical



**Zero-Packet-Loss Shield**  
100% Data Capture, 0% Compromise

## PRP Zero-Packet-Loss Core Advantage



### Uninterrupted Transmission

Even during network faults, millisecond-level transient data is uploaded to the master station without loss.



### Reliable Governance Basis

Provides a 100% reliable foundation for fault analysis and power quality governance decisions.

**Core Achievement: A qualitative leap from "data loss" to "zero packet loss".**

# Application Value 2: Enhancing System Reliability and Continuity



## PRP Protocol: Dual-Network Parallel Operation

Like precision gears, ensuring stable data transmission

## PRP Core Guarantee Capability



### 7x24h Uninterrupted Operation

Fault switching is transparent to upper-layer applications, ensuring the monitoring system runs without any downtime.



### Ultimate Business Continuity

Greatly enhances system reliability, ensuring production safety and stable equipment operation even under network anomalies.

**Business Zero-Interruption | System High Availability |  
Risk-Compliant**

# PRP Application Value: Simplified Management & Standard Compliance

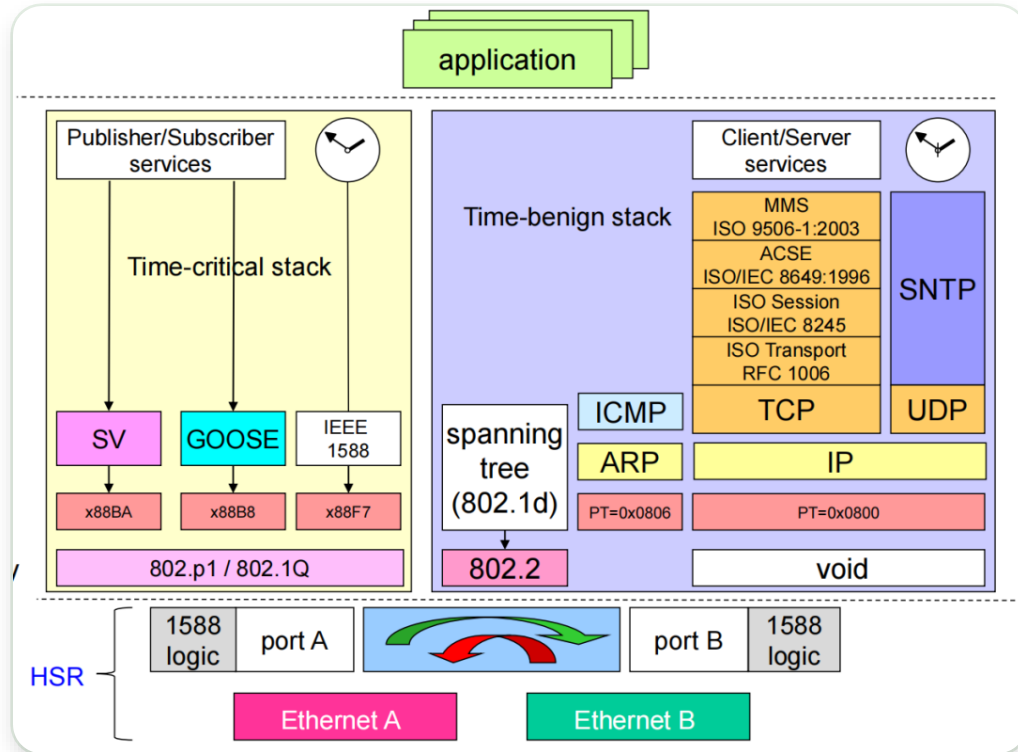


Diagram: IEC 61850 Protocol Stack & PRP Positioning



## Simplified Management

- Transparent fault switching (no complex config)
- Uses standard Ethernet, cutting O&M costs



## Industry Standard Ready

- Fully compatible with IEC 61850 process bus
- Aligns with mainstream industry trends

*Best Practice for Smart Grid Networks*

**Conclusion: PRP is the Best Practice for Smart Grid & Critical Infrastructure Networks**

## PART 03

# Application in Power Quality Monitoring Systems

Bridging theory and practice: Exploring PRP's role in grid stability, accuracy, and data integrity.



### System Challenges

Current limitations & pain points



### PRP Solution

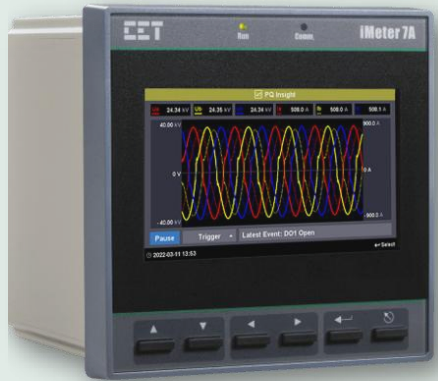
Full-link dual-network monitoring



### Core Benefits

Zero loss & ultra-high reliability

# Application Background: Challenges in Power Quality Monitoring



**iMeter 7A Power Quality Analyzer**



## Status & Challenges

Non-linear loads & distributed energy sources lead to increasingly complex power quality issues.



## Steady-state Monitoring

Focus on harmonics, three-phase imbalance, voltage/frequency deviation, etc.



## Transient Event Capture

Critical for detecting voltage sags, swells & short interruptions (extremely harmful to equipment).



## Core: Real-time & Integrity

Data loss may lead to missed judgment of critical events.

# PRP Solution: Building a Highly Reliable Monitoring Network

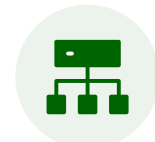


**High Availability Data Center Infrastructure**



## 01 Frontend Monitoring Layer

PRP-enabled DANP devices with dual ports connected to LAN A & B.



## 02 Network Transmission Layer

Dual-network parallel architecture (LAN A & B) for parallel transmission.

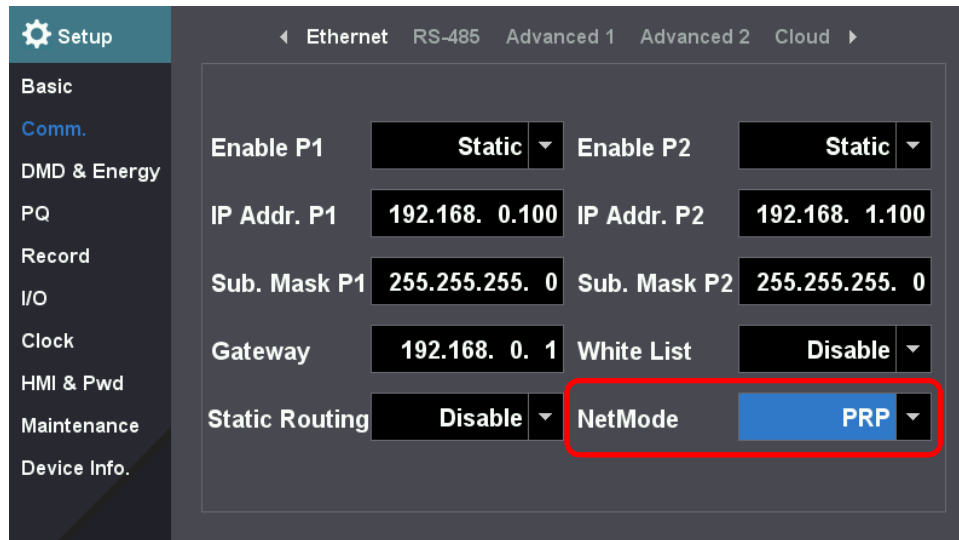


## 03 Master Station Layer

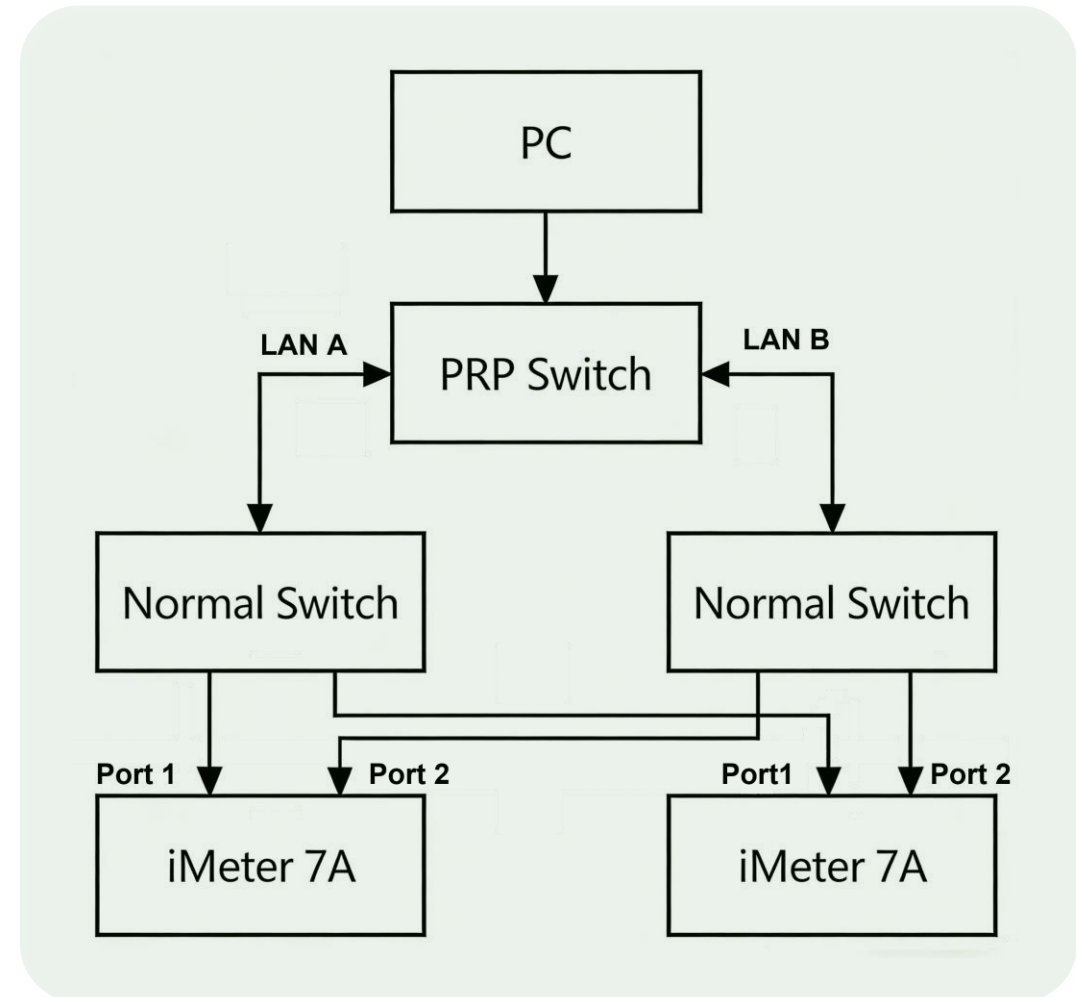
Dual-homed servers auto-discard duplicates to ensure data accuracy.

**End-to-End Redundancy & Zero Data Loss**

# iMeter 7A PRP Settings & Network Topology



Setup > Comm. > Ethernet > NetMode > PRP





# Thank You for Listening

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