High-density cold aisle in franchised data centers

Overview

Hot aisle containment (HAC) isolates server exhaust; cold aisle containment (CAC) concentrates chilled supply air at server intakes. The right choice depends on rack density, existing infrastructure, and facility layout. In this guide, we'll break down how hot aisle and cold aisle configurations. le containment is a crucial strategy in data center management. It involves the use of physical barriers or enclosure at the end of server aisles to separate hot and cold airflows. As compute density rises, containment directly affects energy efficiency. The implementation of air containment systems in legacy data centers is far more than a mere aesthetic upgrade; it is a vital engineering instrument designed to optimize thermal efficiency and operational reliability on a global scale.

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