

# Redundancy Best Practices

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# ControlLogix Redundancy Recommended Topologies & Guidelines

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# Overview

- The purpose of the following slides is to help provide guidance to users that are designing high availability Ethernet networks that include 5560 / 5570 / 5580 ControlLogix redundancy.<sup>1</sup>
- The recommended high availability topologies provided in this document are either single-fault tolerant (e.g. DLR) or multiple-fault tolerant<sup>2</sup> (e.g. PRP) and have been tested in a lab environment.
- While other topologies and configurations may work, not following the guidance provided in this document will increase risk.
- Please refer to the notes section of each of the slides for additional notes, detailed guidance, and for sources and references.



# Links – Literature Library

**New!**

[High Availability Systems Reference Manual](#), publication HIGHAV-RM002

**New!**

[ControlLogix 5580 Redundancy Controller User Manual](#), publication 1756-UM015 ([focused on 5580](#))

- [ControlLogix Redundancy User Manual](#), publication 1756-UM535 ([focused on 5560/5570](#))
- [Logix 5000 Controllers Design Considerations Reference Manual](#), publication 1756-RM094
- [PlantPax Selection Guide](#), publication PROCES-SG001
- [EtherNet/IP Device Level Ring Application Technique](#), publication ENET-AT007
- [Deploying Parallel Redundancy Protocol within a Converged Plantwide Ethernet Architecture](#), publication ENET-TD021
- [FactoryTalk Linx Getting Results Guide](#), publication LNXENT-GR001
- [Converged Plantwide Ethernet \(CPwE\) Design and Implementation Guide](#), publication ENET-TD001
- [Deploying Device Level Ring within a Converged Plantwide Ethernet Architecture](#), publication ENET-TD015
- [Deploying the Resilient Ethernet Protocol \(REP\) in a Converged Plantwide Ethernet System \(CPwE\) Design Guide](#), publication ENET-TD005

## Links - Knowledgebase

- [ControlLogix Redundancy Recommended Network Topologies](#)
- [ControlLogix Redundancy High Availability Ethernet System Testing](#)
- [ControlLogix Redundancy: Possible Cause of Switchover](#)
- [ControlLogix Redundancy System: the secondary chassis remains disqualified](#)
- [Optimizing a ControlLogix Redundancy System, Programming Guidelines and Case Study](#)

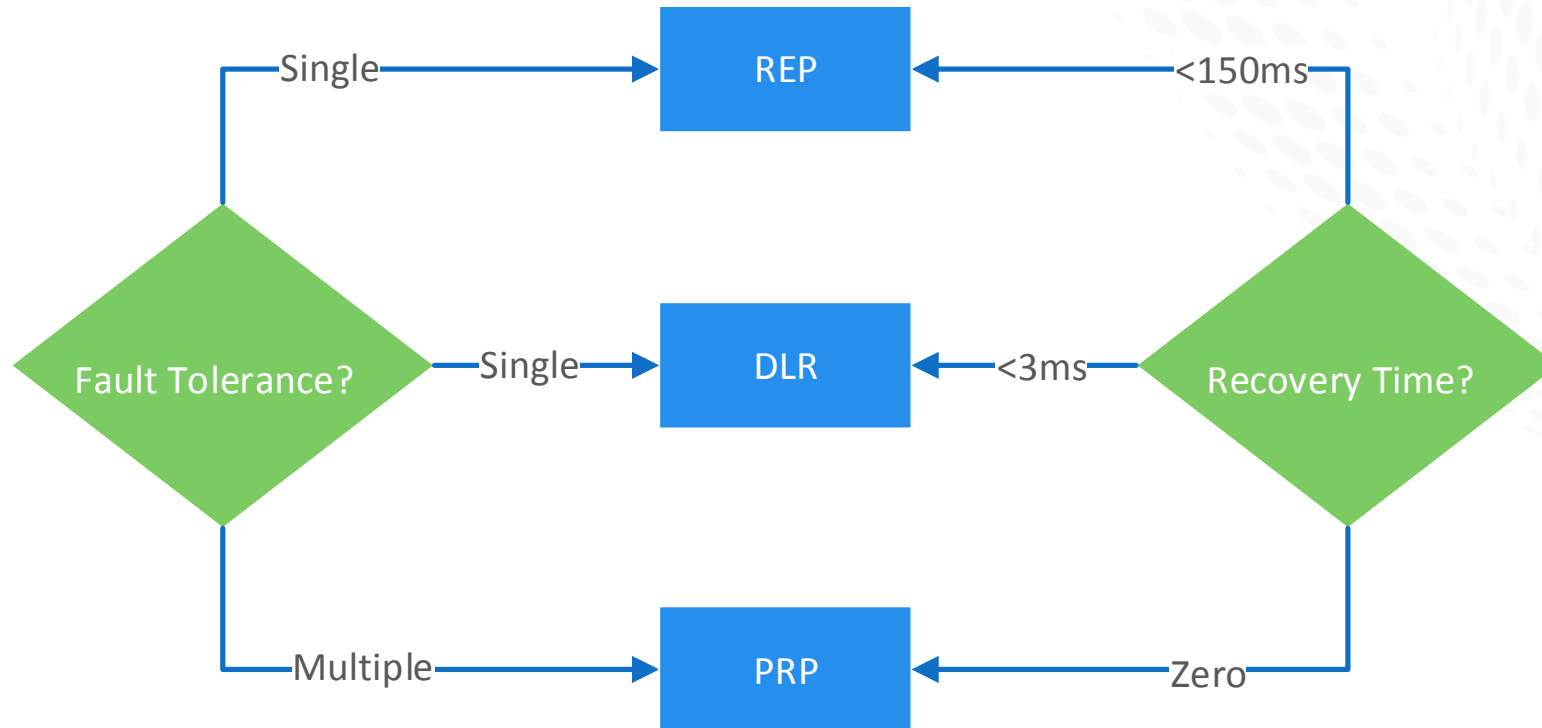


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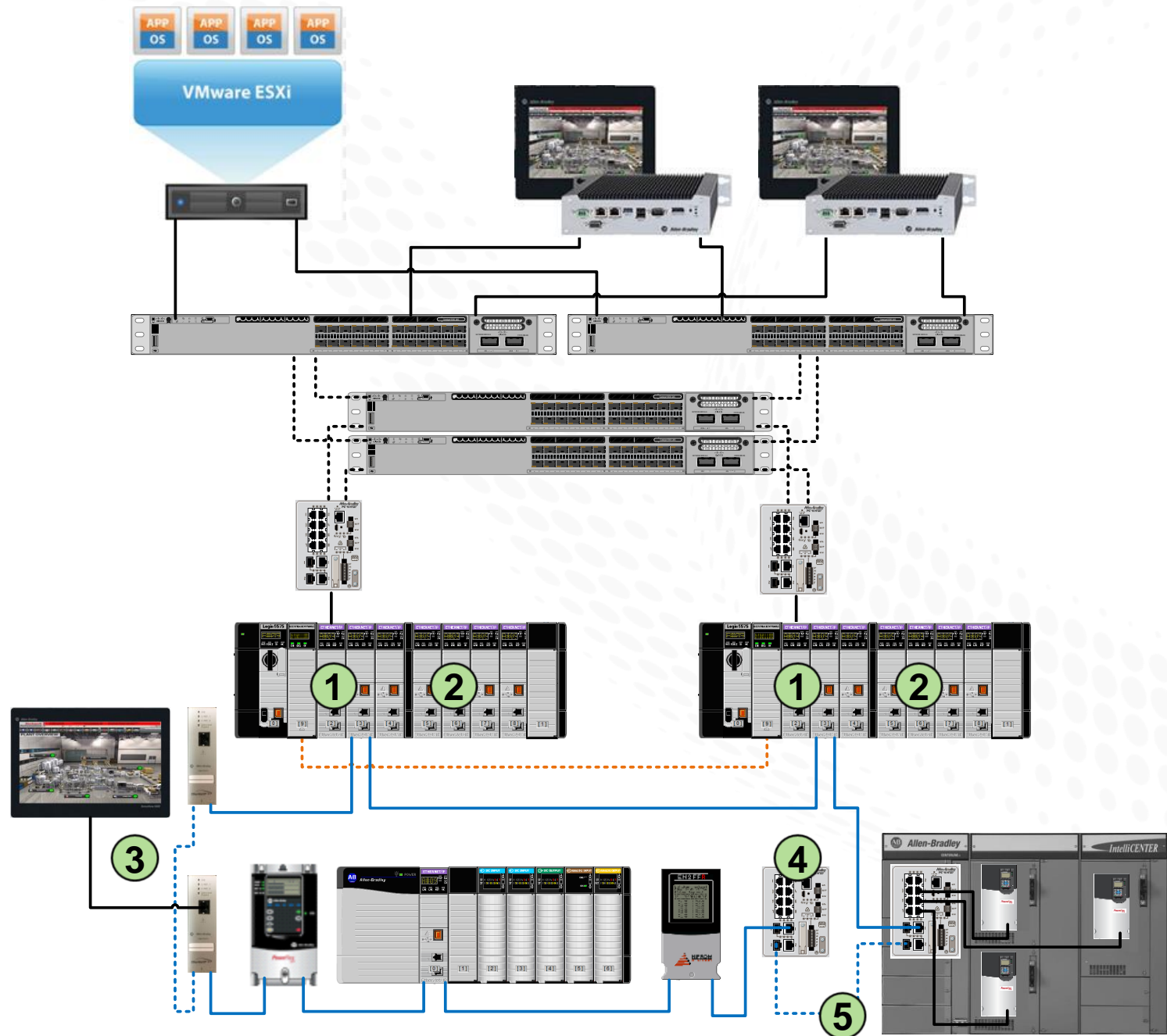
Before designing a network that includes ControlLogix redundancy, you should always start with a set of documented requirements.

- Application requirements such as availability & performance drive the choice of resiliency technology and topologies<sup>1</sup>.



## Direct DLR Non-converged

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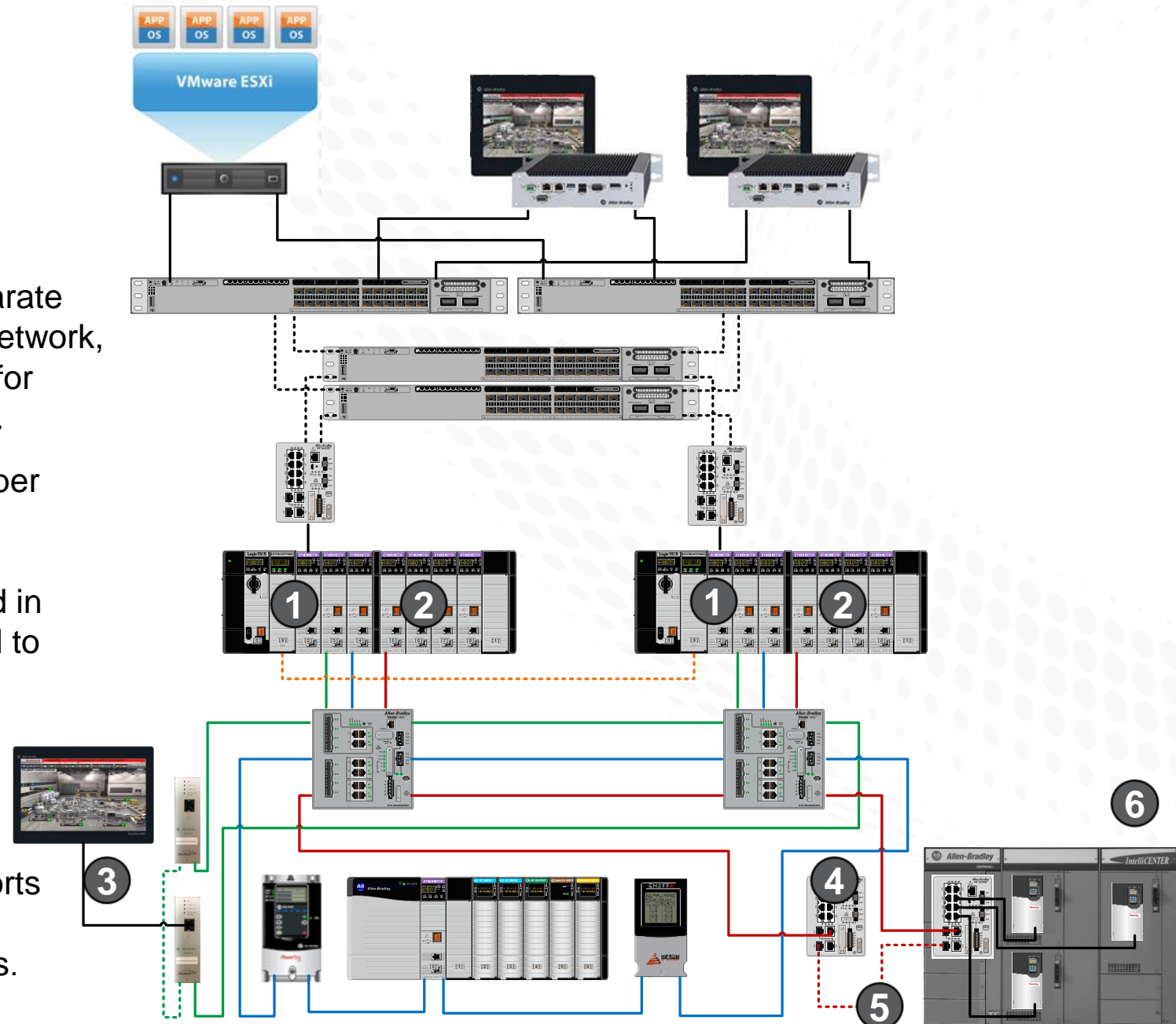


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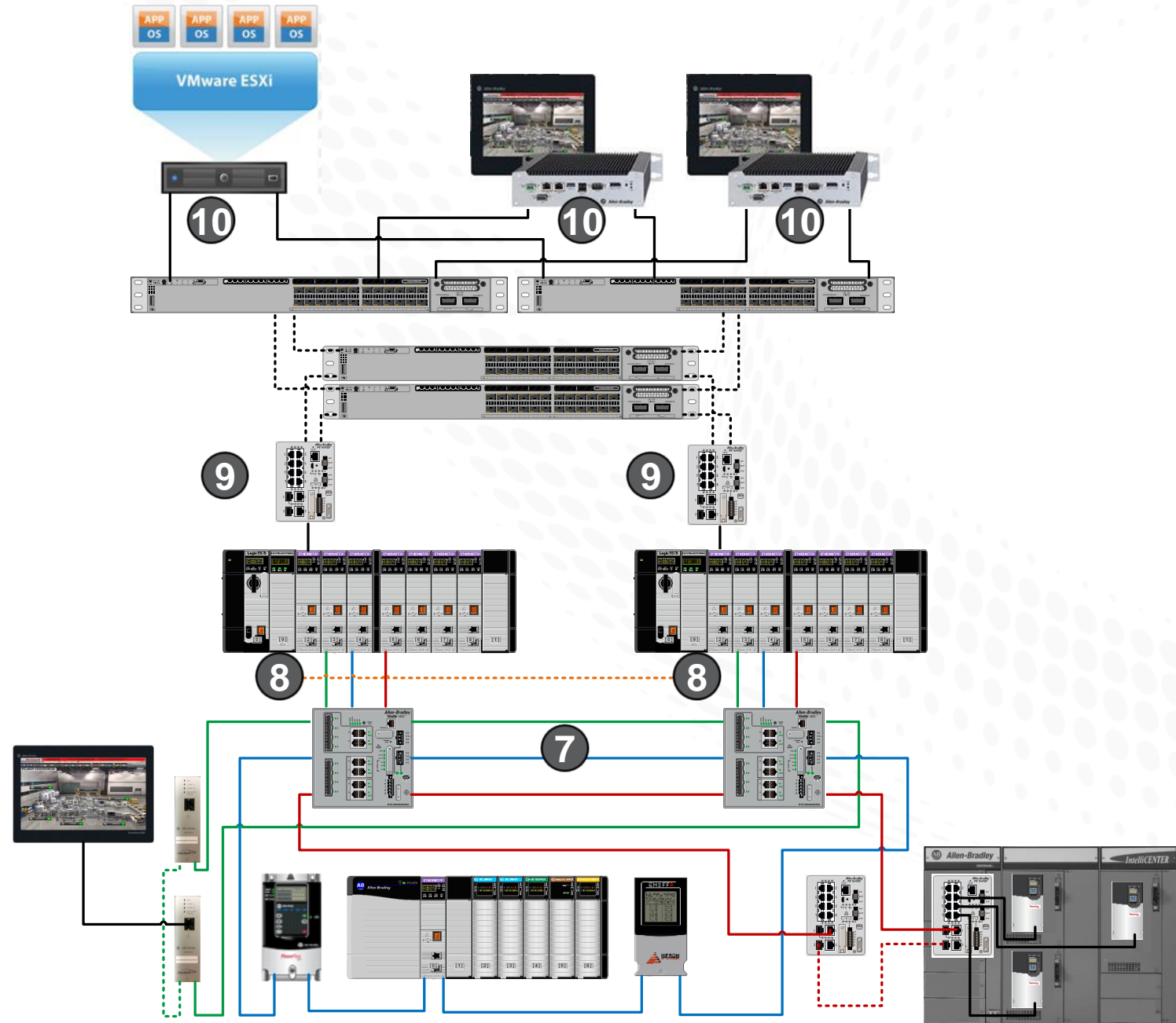
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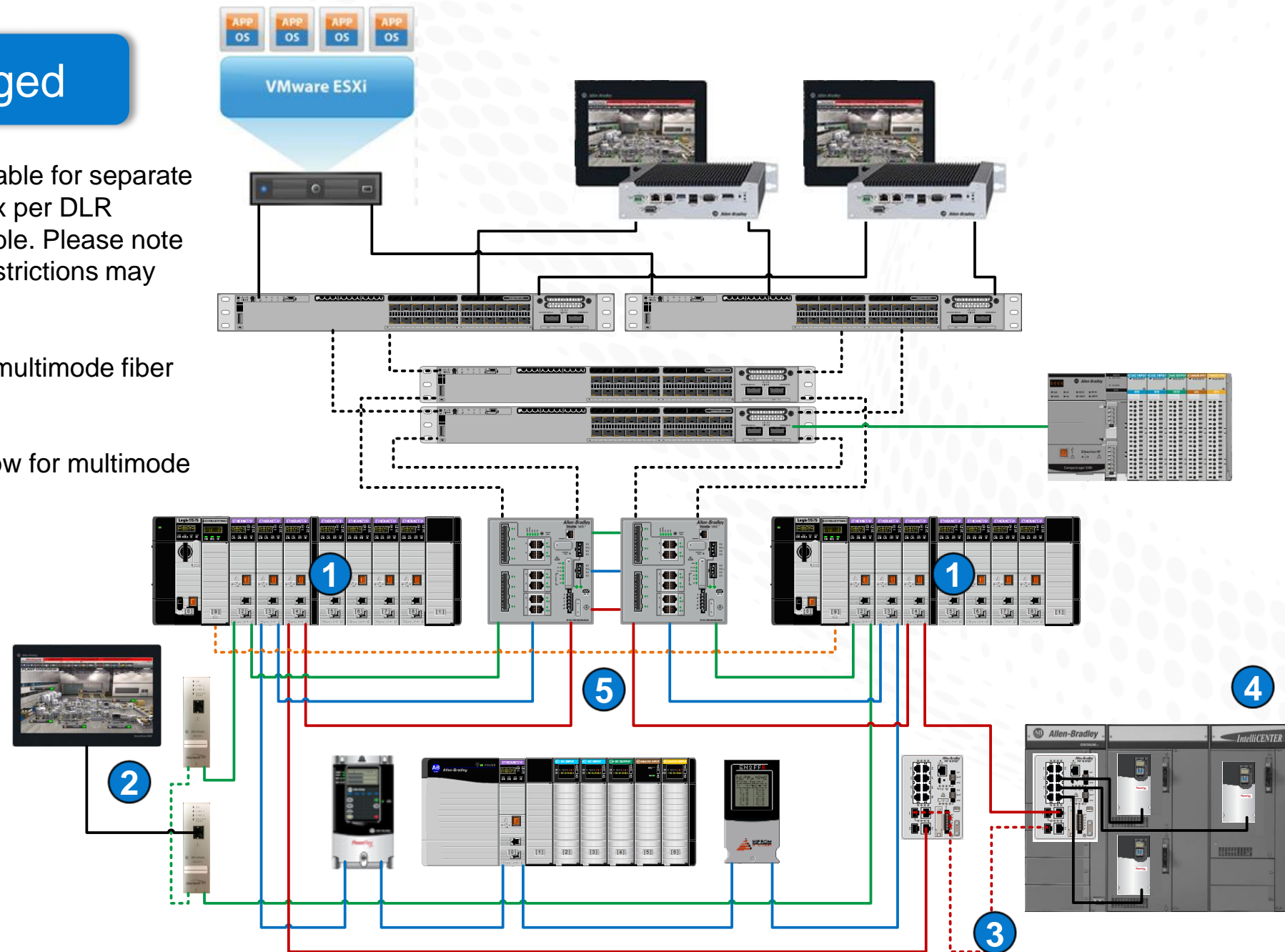
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9. It is recommended that the PRI and SEC redundant controller racks connect to separate upstream switches. If the upstream switches are in a REP ring, please refer to the notes section of this slide.
10. NIC teaming on servers and clients for additional resiliency.





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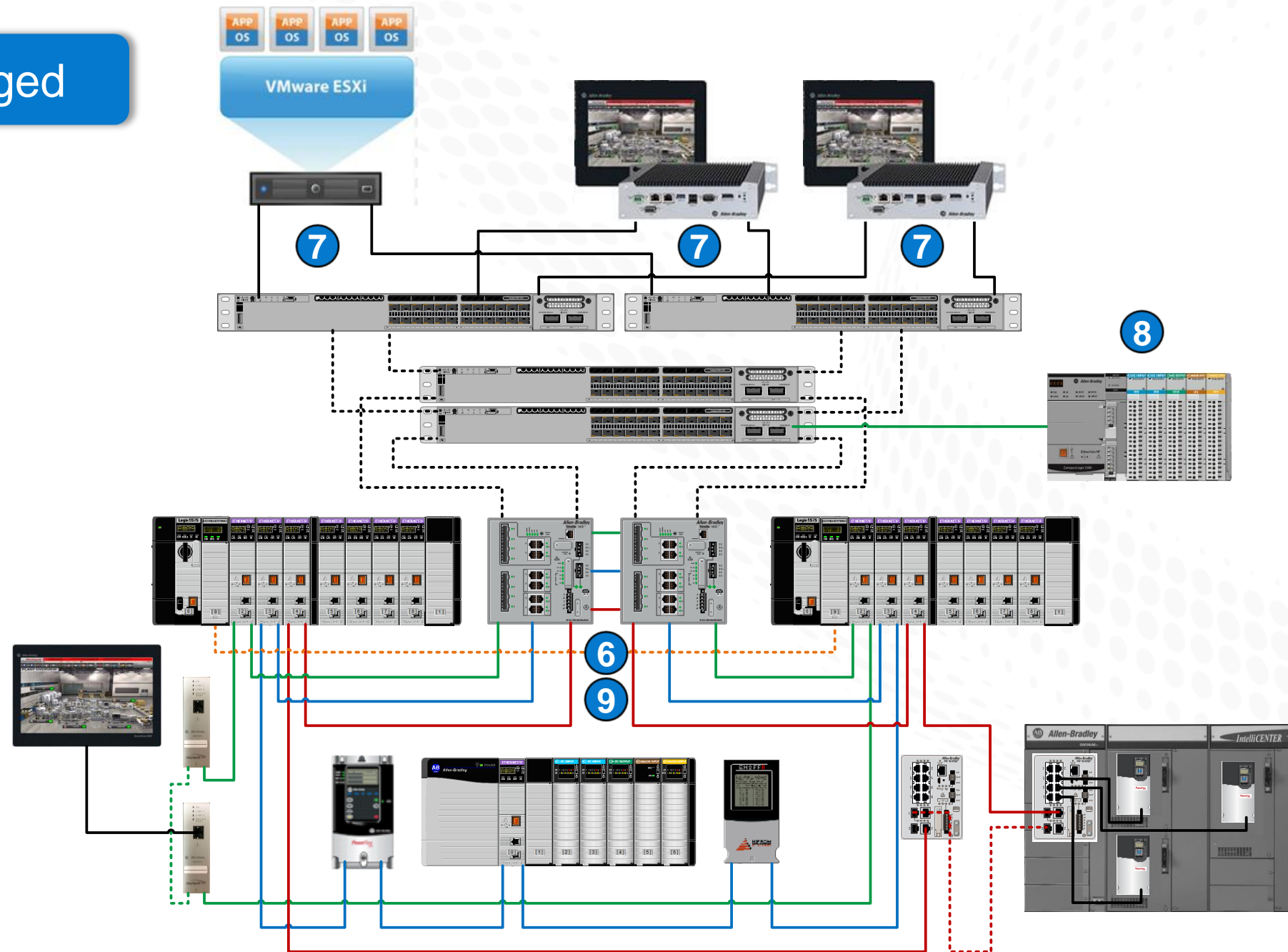
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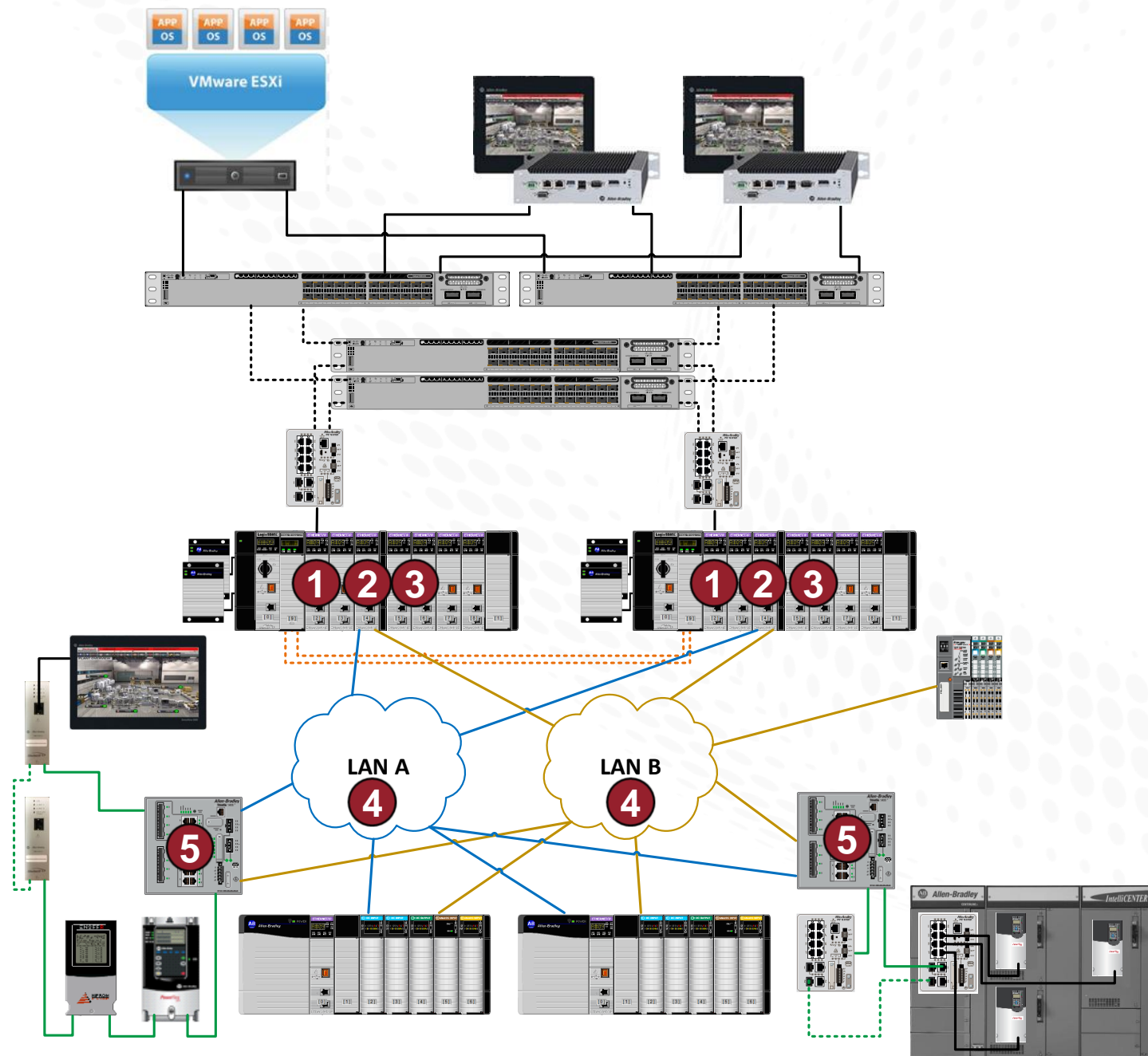
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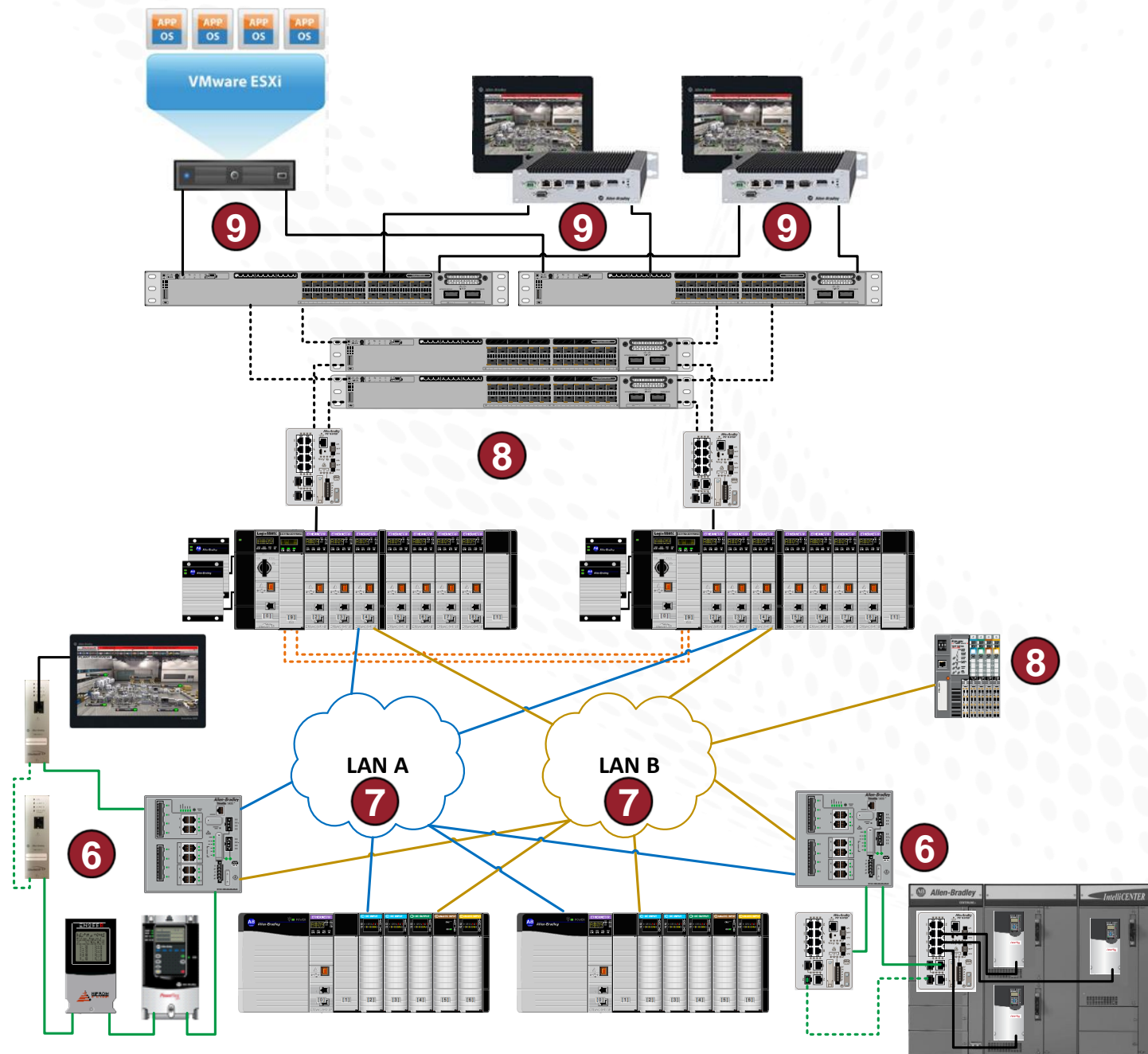
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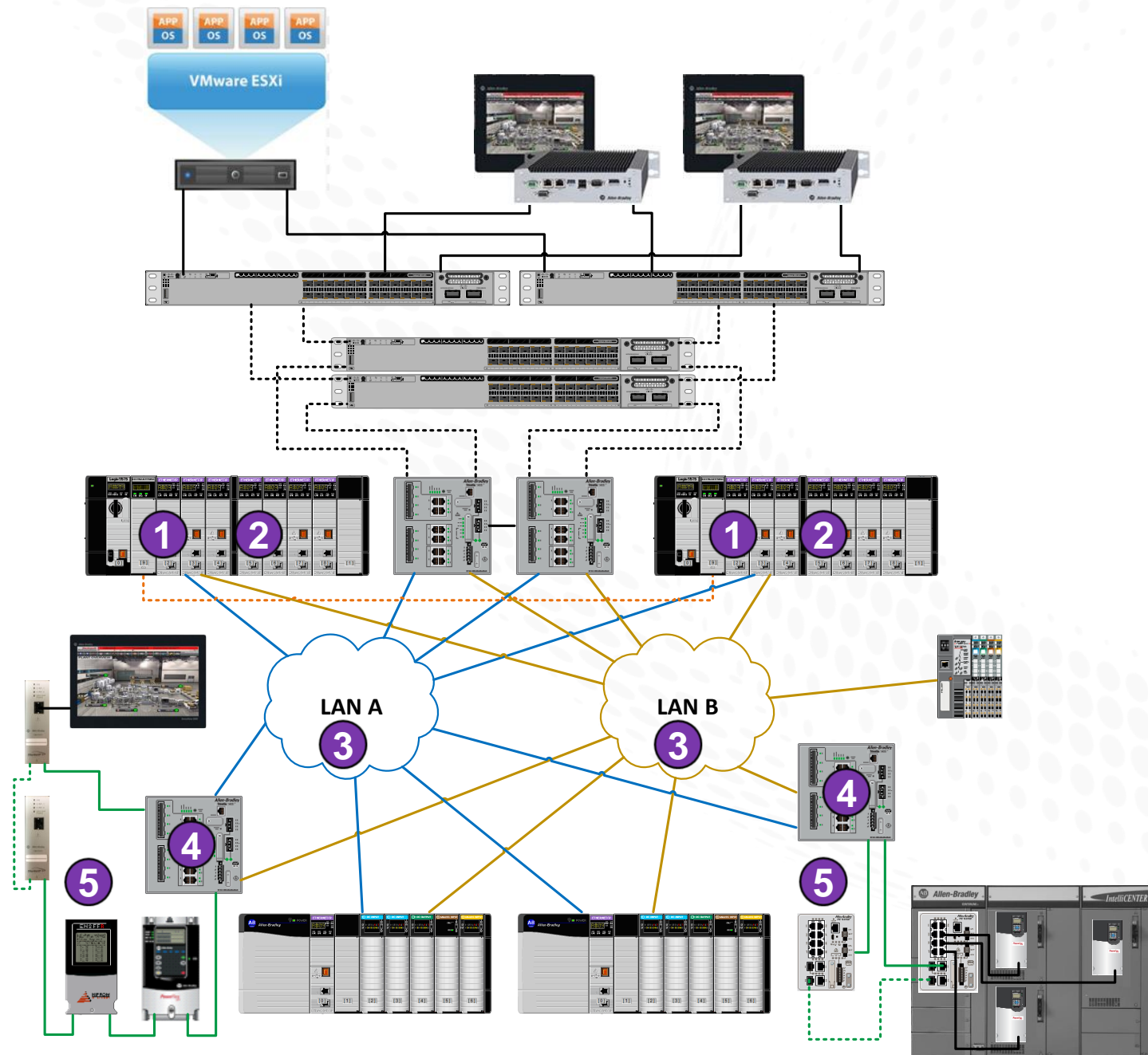
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8. Non-PRP devices can be added to either LAN A or LAN B, but not both. Only devices on that same LAN will be able to communicate with it.
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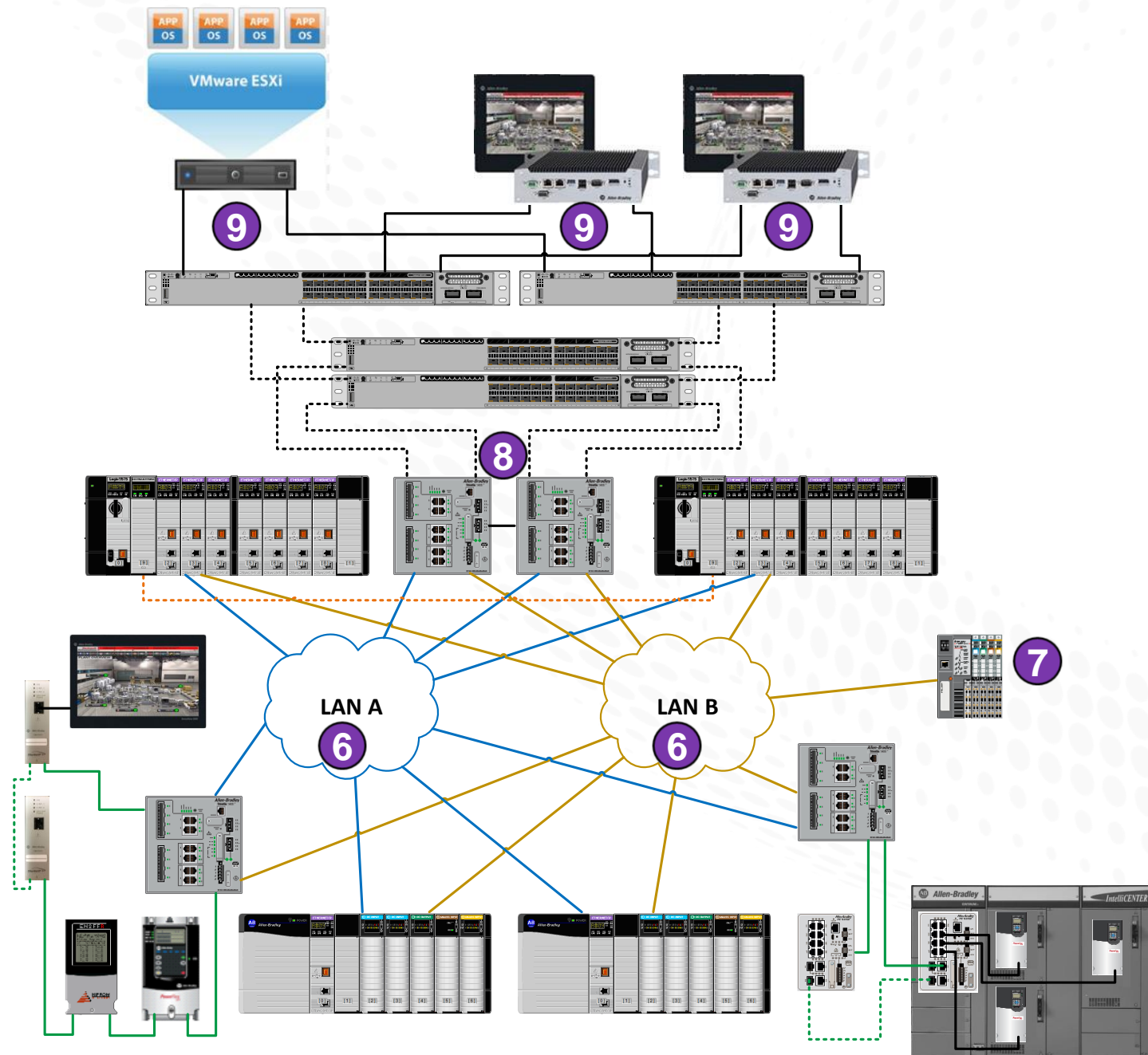
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# Other Notes & More Detailed Information

# Controller Guidance – 5560 / 5570 / 5580 Redundancy

## 5580 Redundancy

- Place no more than one ControlLogix 5580 controller in each redundant chassis.
- When redundancy is enabled, the embedded Ethernet port is disabled; you cannot use it.

For more information, see:

[ControlLogix 5580 Redundancy Controller User Manual](#),  
publication 1756-UM015

## 5560 / 5570 Redundancy

- Non-PlantPAX ControlLogix 5570 redundancy applications support as many as two controllers in each redundant chassis
- PlantPAX guidelines recommend only one controller per ControlLogix redundancy chassis

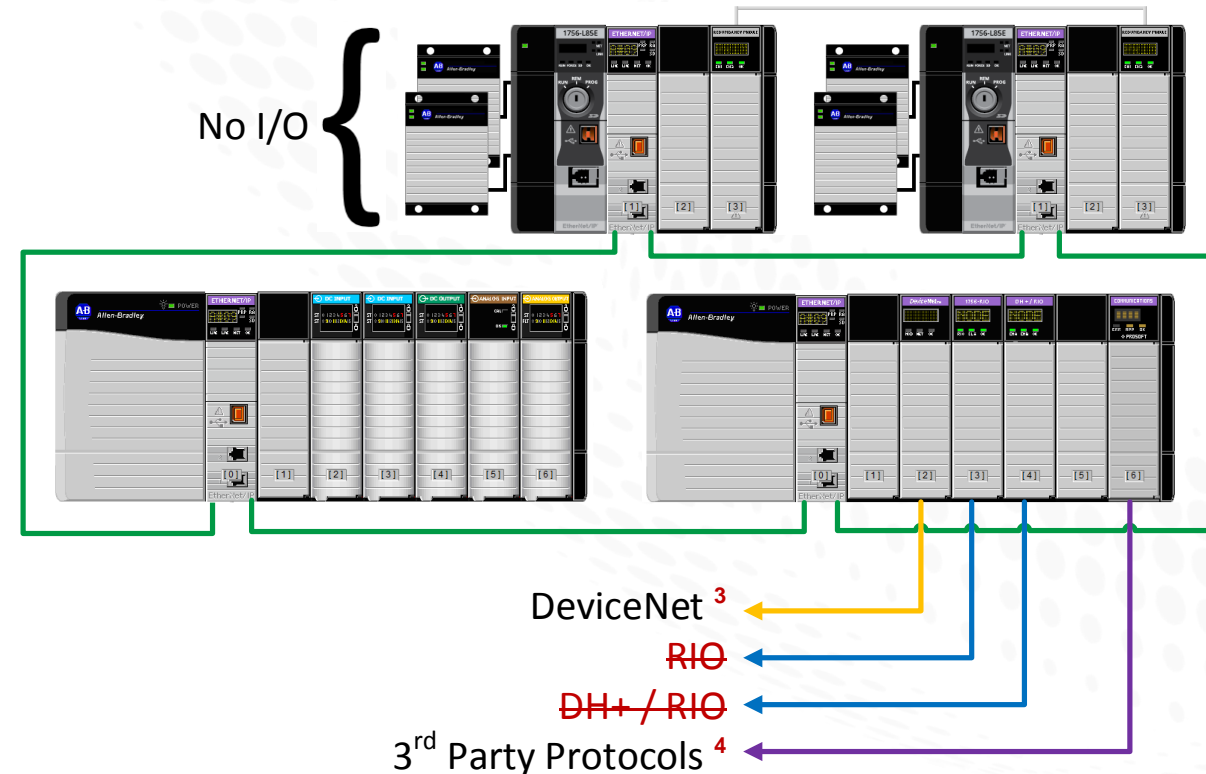
For more information, see:

[ControlLogix Redundancy User Manual](#),  
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**Important!** Review the Redundancy User Manuals for a complete list of differences.

# General Guidance – I/O & Legacy Networks for 5580 Redundancy

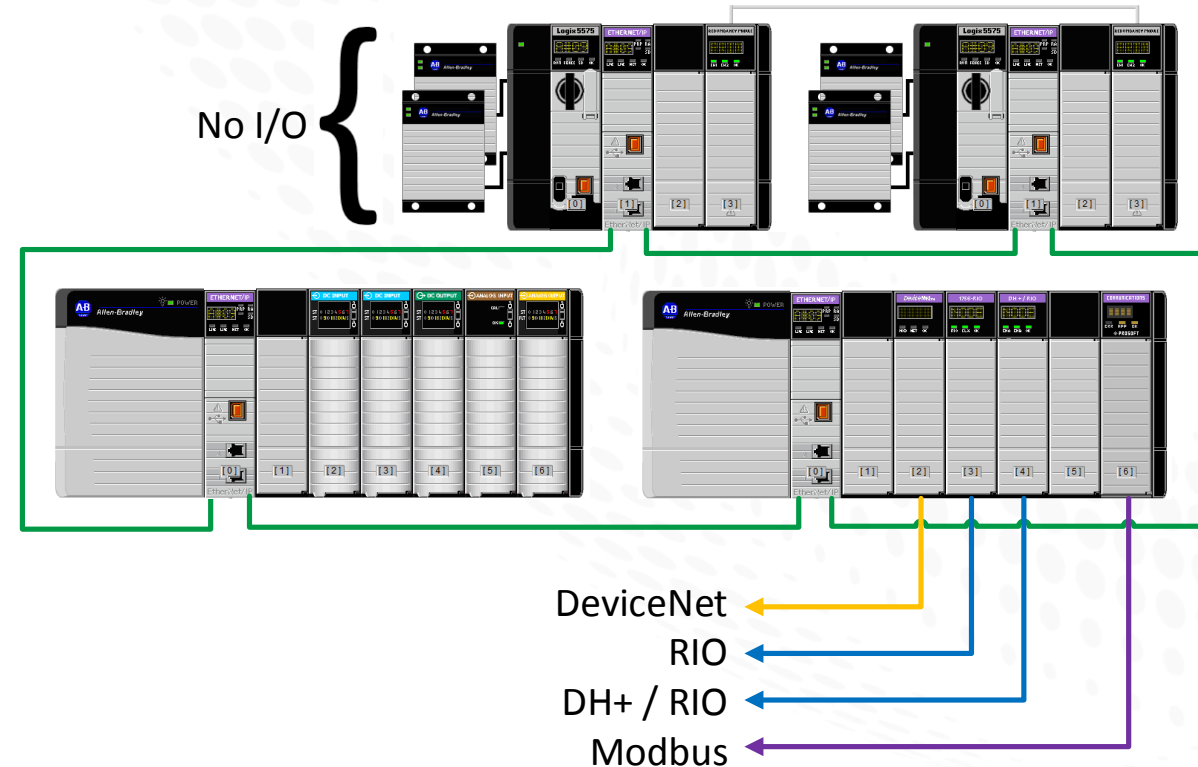
- Do not place I/O in a redundant chassis.
- I/O can be connected to the redundant chassis via EtherNet/IP, *without bridging*.<sup>1</sup>
- When implementing ControlLogix redundancy, all EtherNet/IP I/O and **consumed** tag connections must be multicast connections.
- ControlLogix 5580 redundancy does not support the following<sup>2</sup>:
  - ControlNet networks
  - Remote I/O (RIO) networks
  - DH+ networks
  - DeviceNet(1) network<sup>3</sup>
  - Explicit messaging to legacy PLC-2, PLC-5, or SLC controllers





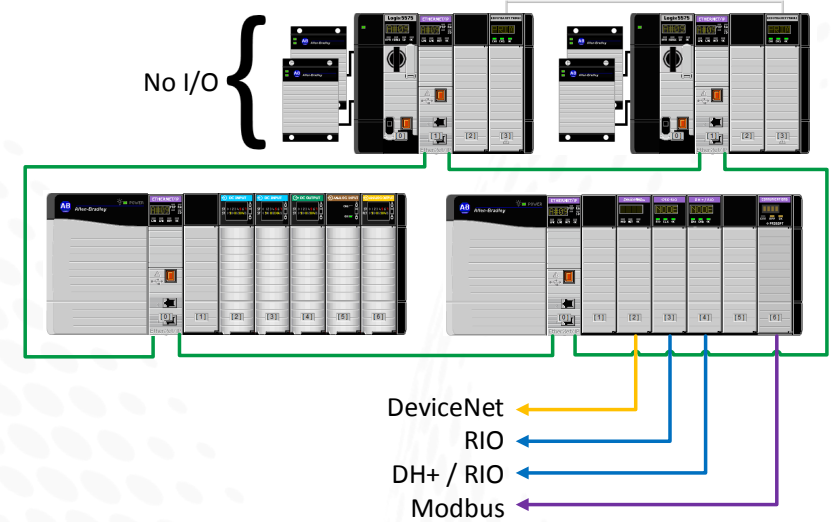
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- For 5560 / 5570 You can bridge to these I/O networks via a remote chassis:
  - DeviceNet
  - Universal remote I/O
  - Data Highway Plus
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Party



# General Guidance – I/O Networks

- As a best practice, adjust the data table size for each network adapter used to bridge to other networks.



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Vendor: Rockwell Automation/Allen-Bradley  
Name: DeviceNet  
Description:

Input Size: 124 (32-bit)  
Output Size: 123 (32-bit)  
Status Size: 32 (32-bit)

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Revision: 12 001 Electronic Keying: Compatible Keying

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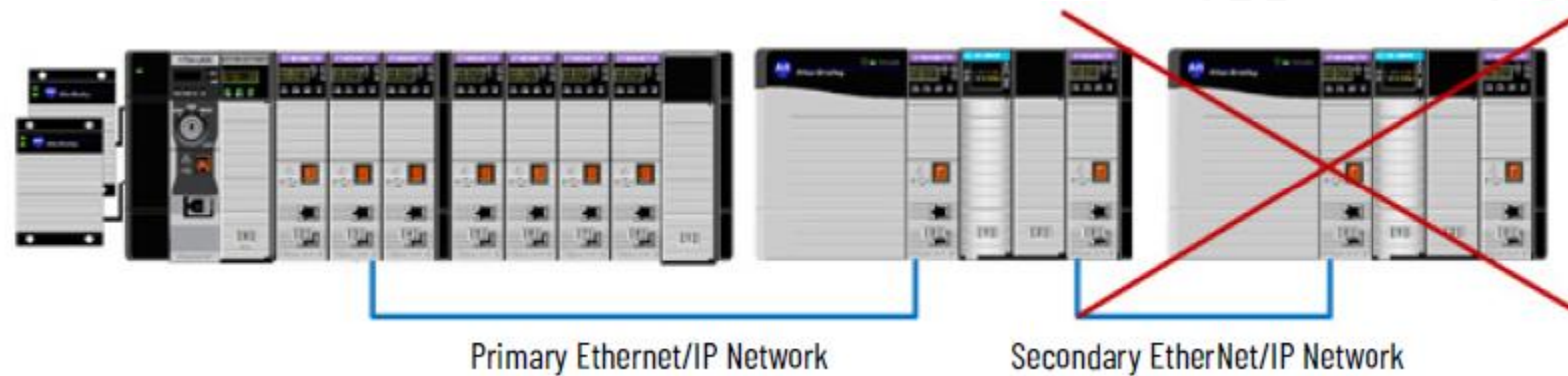
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# General Guidance – Unsupported Bridged I/O Configurations

- Do not use bridged Ethernet I/O racks.<sup>1</sup>
- See Knowledgebase article [Logix Platform: Unsupported Bridged I/O Configurations](#) for additional information.

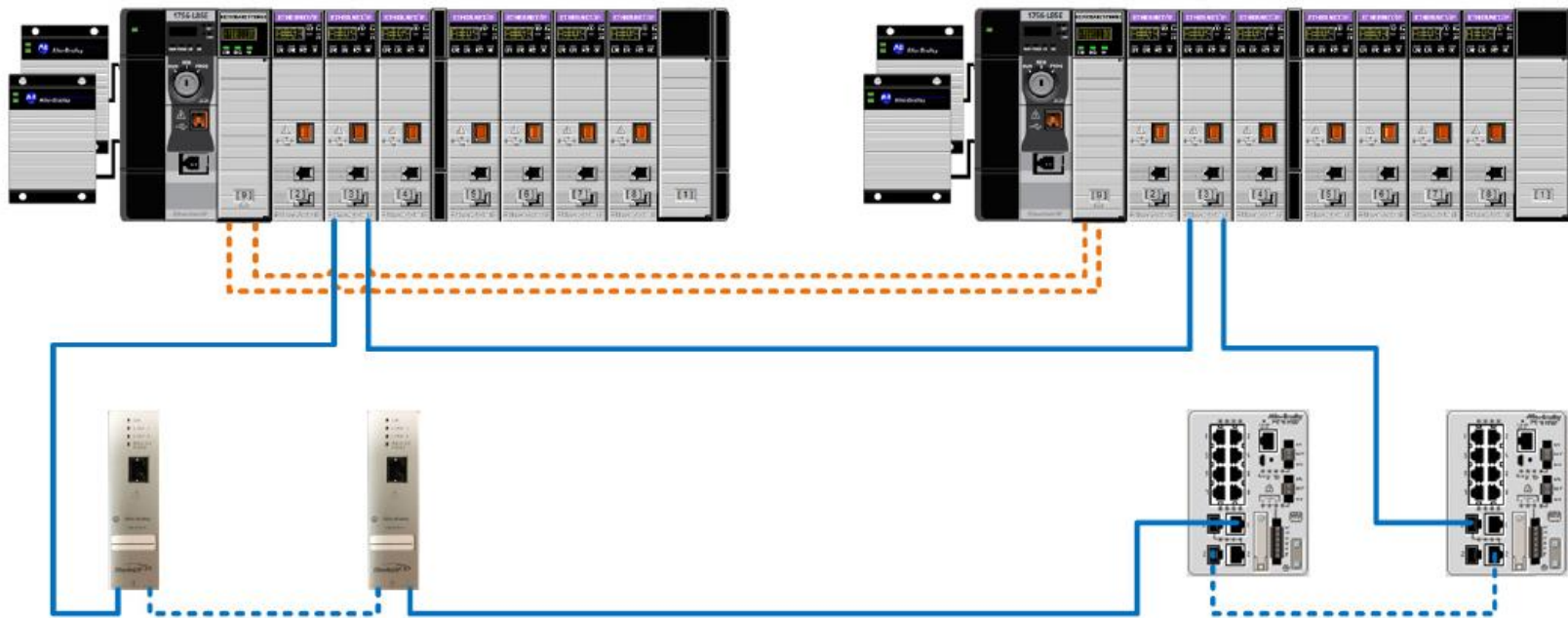


# Fiber Segments

- 1783-ETAP\*F modules allow for multimode fiber segments.



Note that each ETAP counts as a DLR node<sup>1</sup>

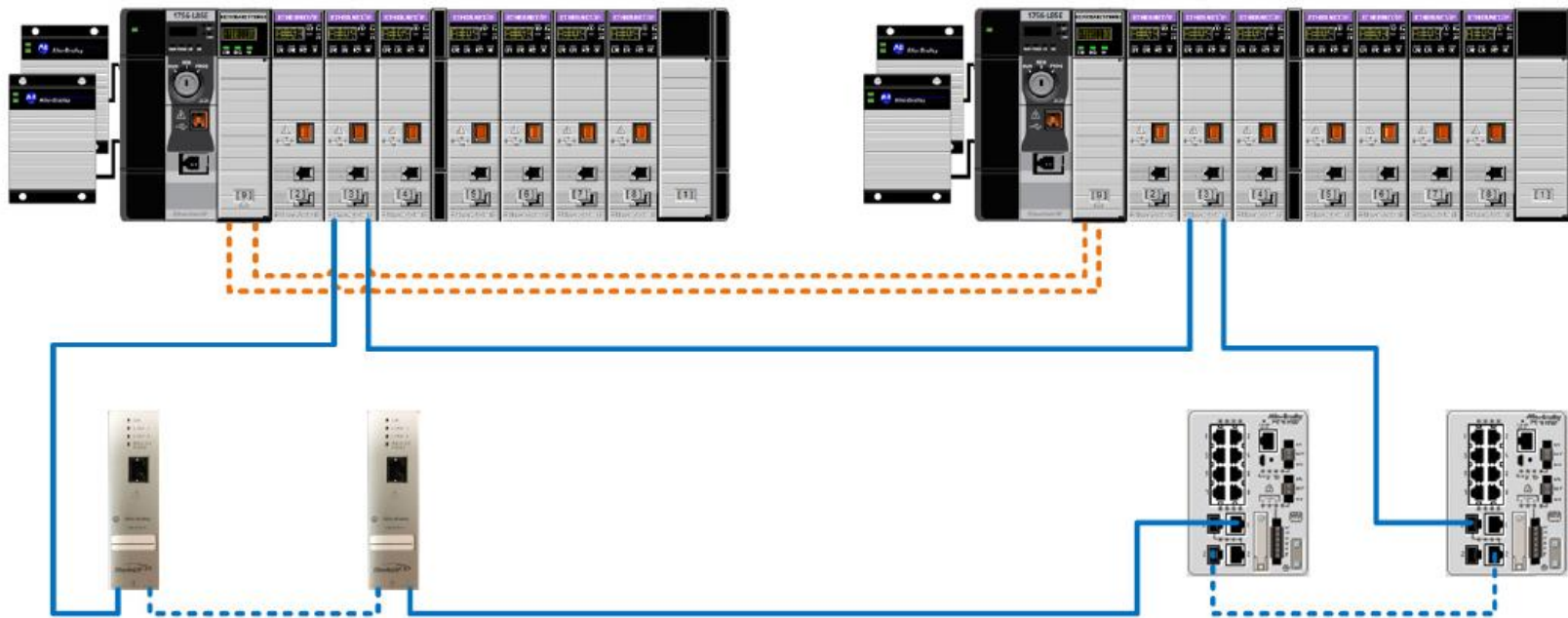


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- Do not mix 100 Mbps and 1 Gbps on the same DLR network. A DLR should use the same speed throughout.



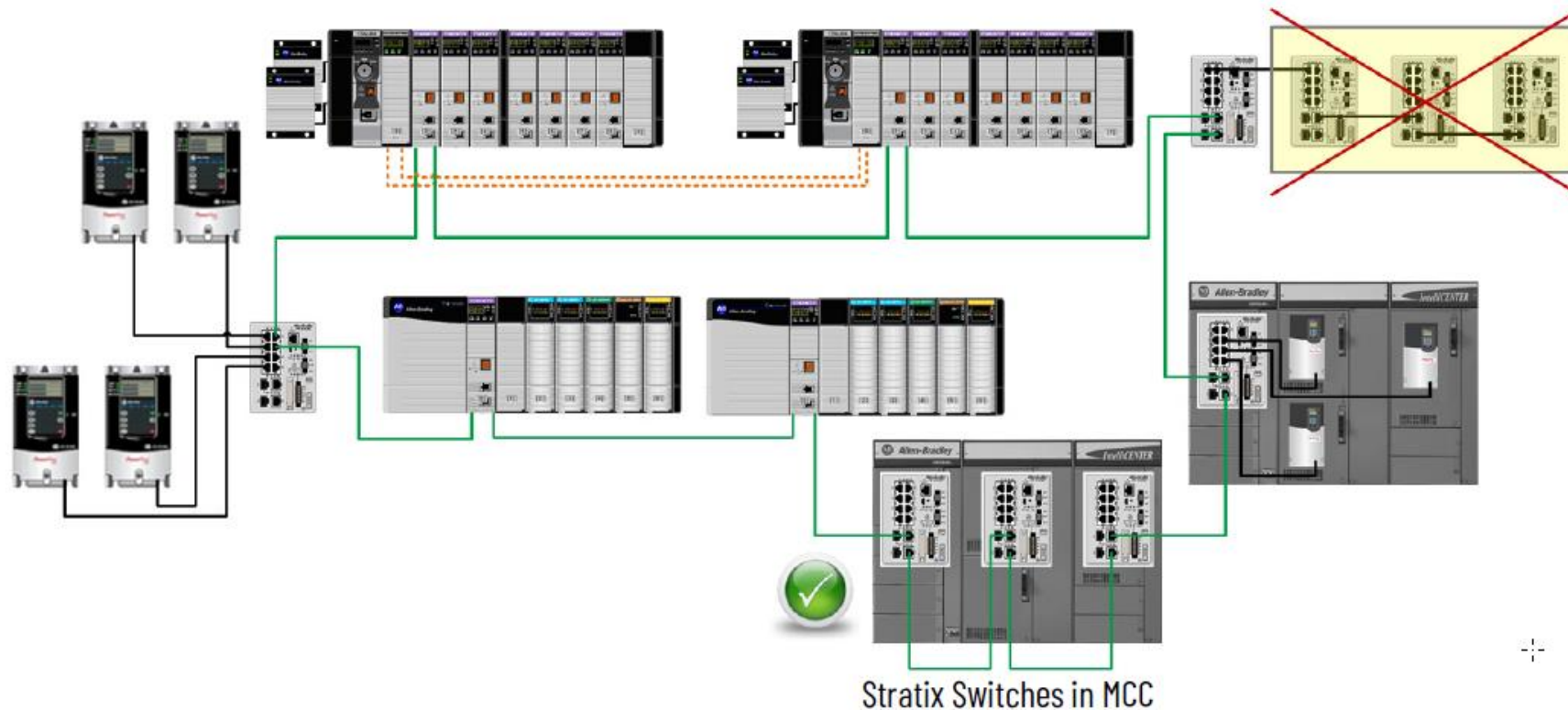
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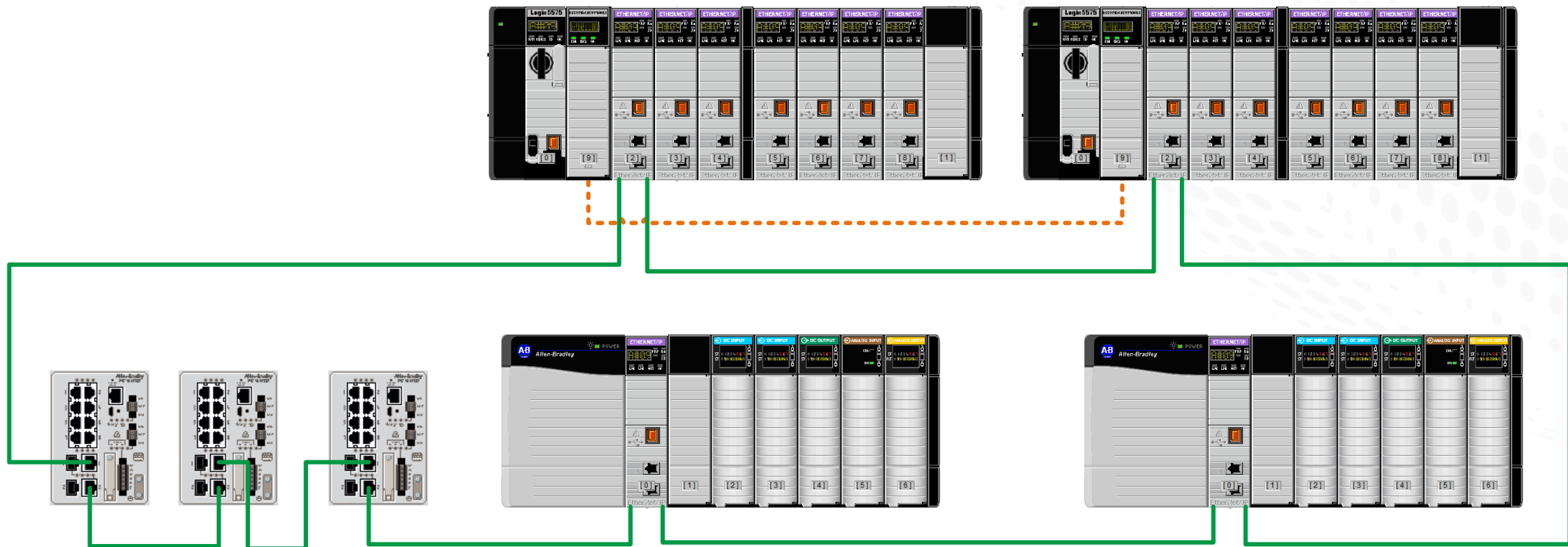
# Adding Indirect Nodes

- Devices connected to **non-DLR** configured ports of a Stratix will be in a star topology.
- Devices connected in this way have multiple single points of failure (e.g. switch, cable, single device port on the device itself)
- MCC lineups can be connected in this way.



# Stratix in DLR

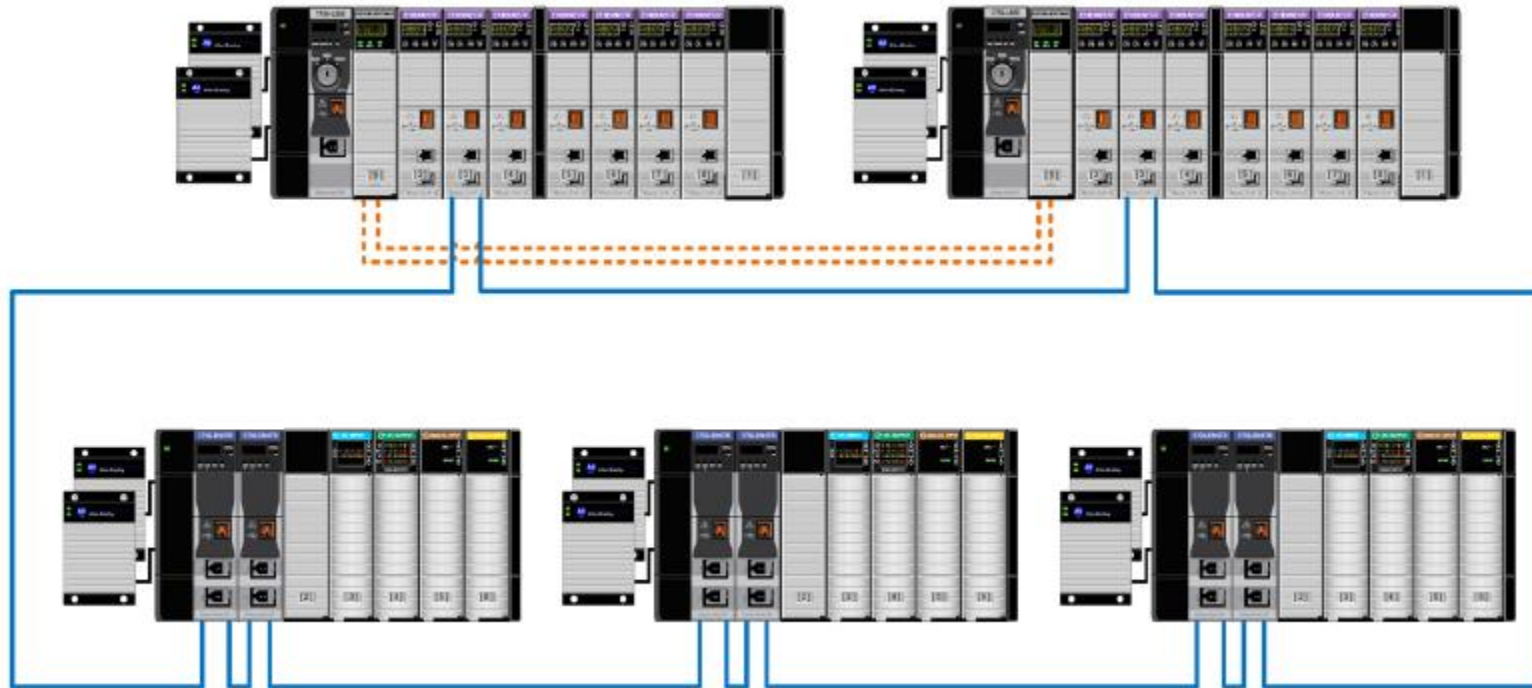
- DLR capable Stratix switches can be included in a DLR ring, but they should not be connected to the upstream network in non-converged topologies.<sup>1</sup>





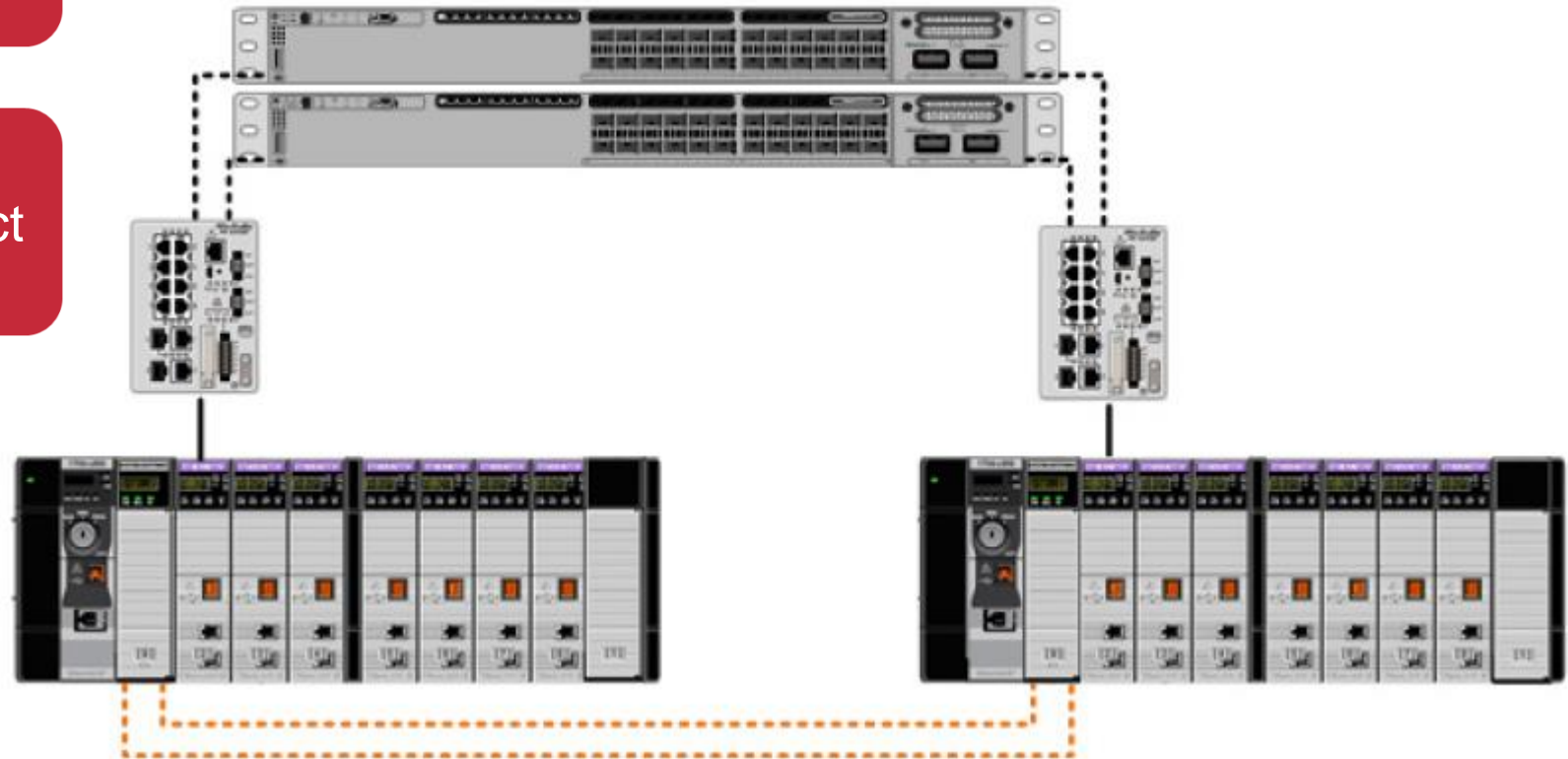
# Redundant 1756-EN4TR EtherNet/IP Adapters in an I/O Chassis

- Redundant 1756-EN4TR adapters can be used for added resiliency at the adapter level. i.e. in a ControlLogix I/O chassis.<sup>1,2</sup>
- Redundant adapter functionality is available starting in revision 3.001 firmware.
- Note that each ControlLogix I/O chassis utilizing redundant EtherNet/IP adapters as counts as two DLR nodes.



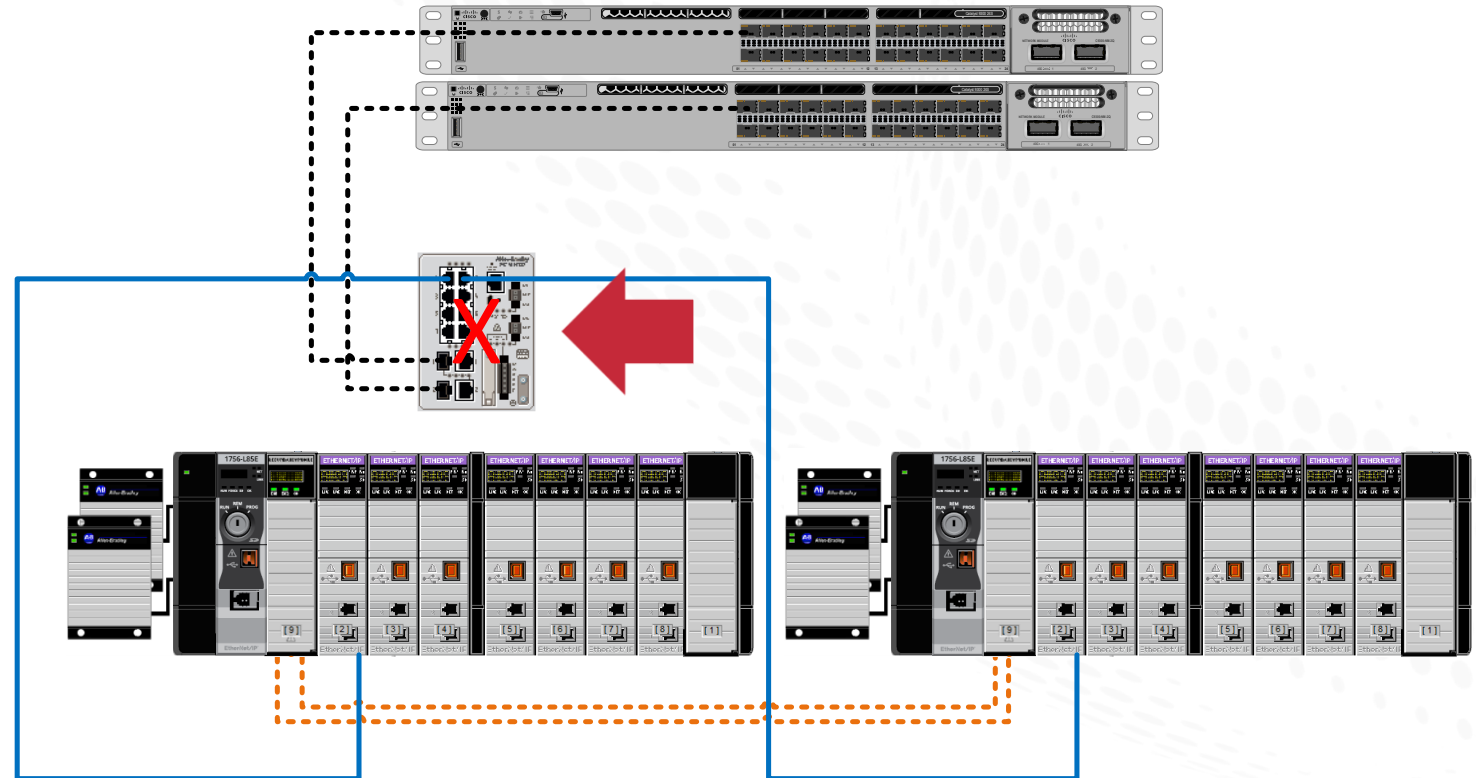
# Redundant Rack EtherNet/IP Modules

- One EtherNet/IP Module should be dedicated to upstream communications
- Up to six *other* EtherNet/IP modules can be used to connect to DLR or PRP networks.



# Use Separate Upstream Switches

- The redundant controller racks should be connected to **separate** upstream switches.<sup>1</sup>
- Eliminates a single point of failure
- Avoids the switchover “race condition” scenario where both primary and secondary racks have a communication module in the lonely state at the same time.



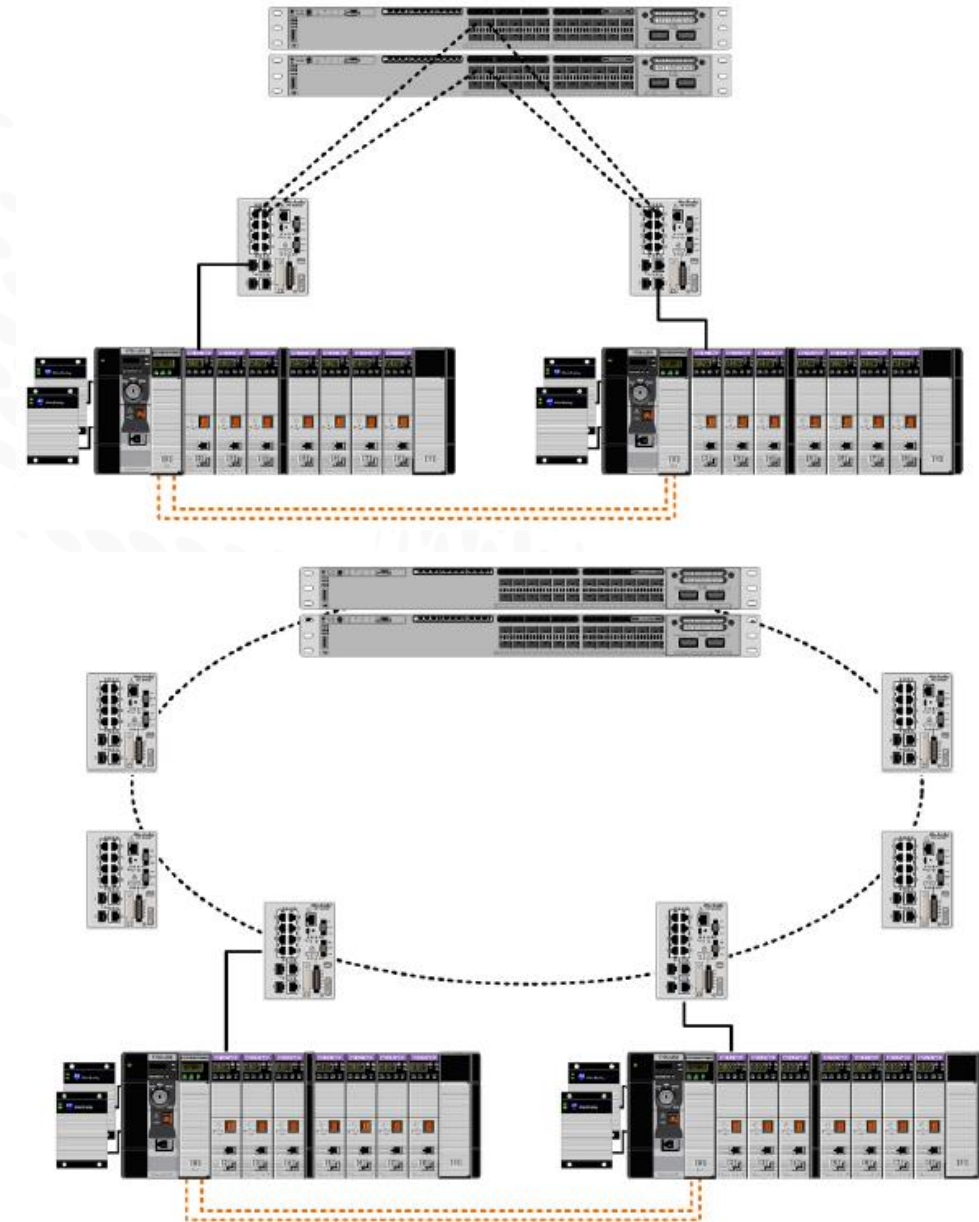
# Upstream Redundant Star vs. Ring

## Redundant Star

- Resiliency from **multiple** connection failures.
- Faster convergence to connection loss
- **Consistent number of hops** (typically two in a flat design) provides predictable and consistent performance and real-time characteristics
- Fewer bottlenecks in the design reduces chances of segment over-subscription

## Ring

- Resiliency from loss of **one** network connection
- When using REP, convergence times range from 50 ms – 150 ms<sup>1,2</sup>
- **Variable number of hops** makes designing predictable performance more complex
- Less cabling complexity in certain plant floor layouts
- Multiple paths reduces potential for oversubscription and bottlenecks



**Recommended Best Practice: redundant star**

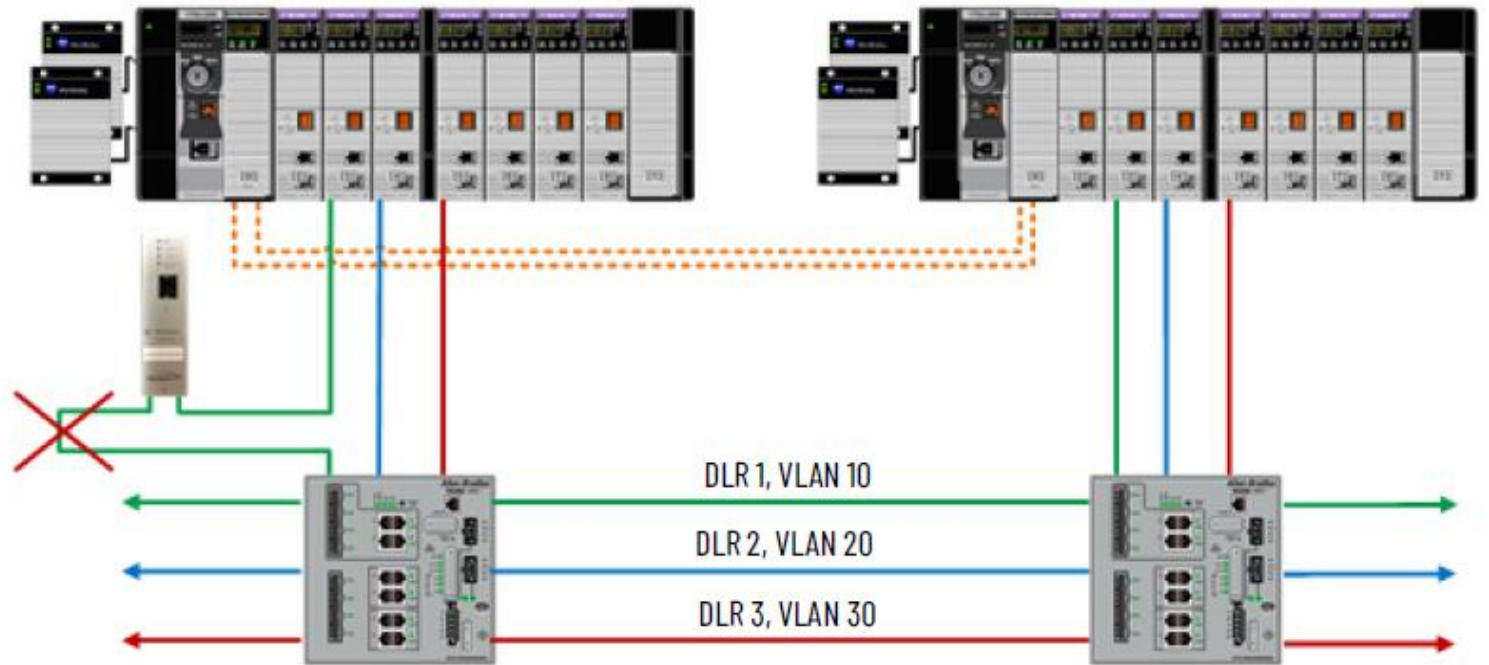






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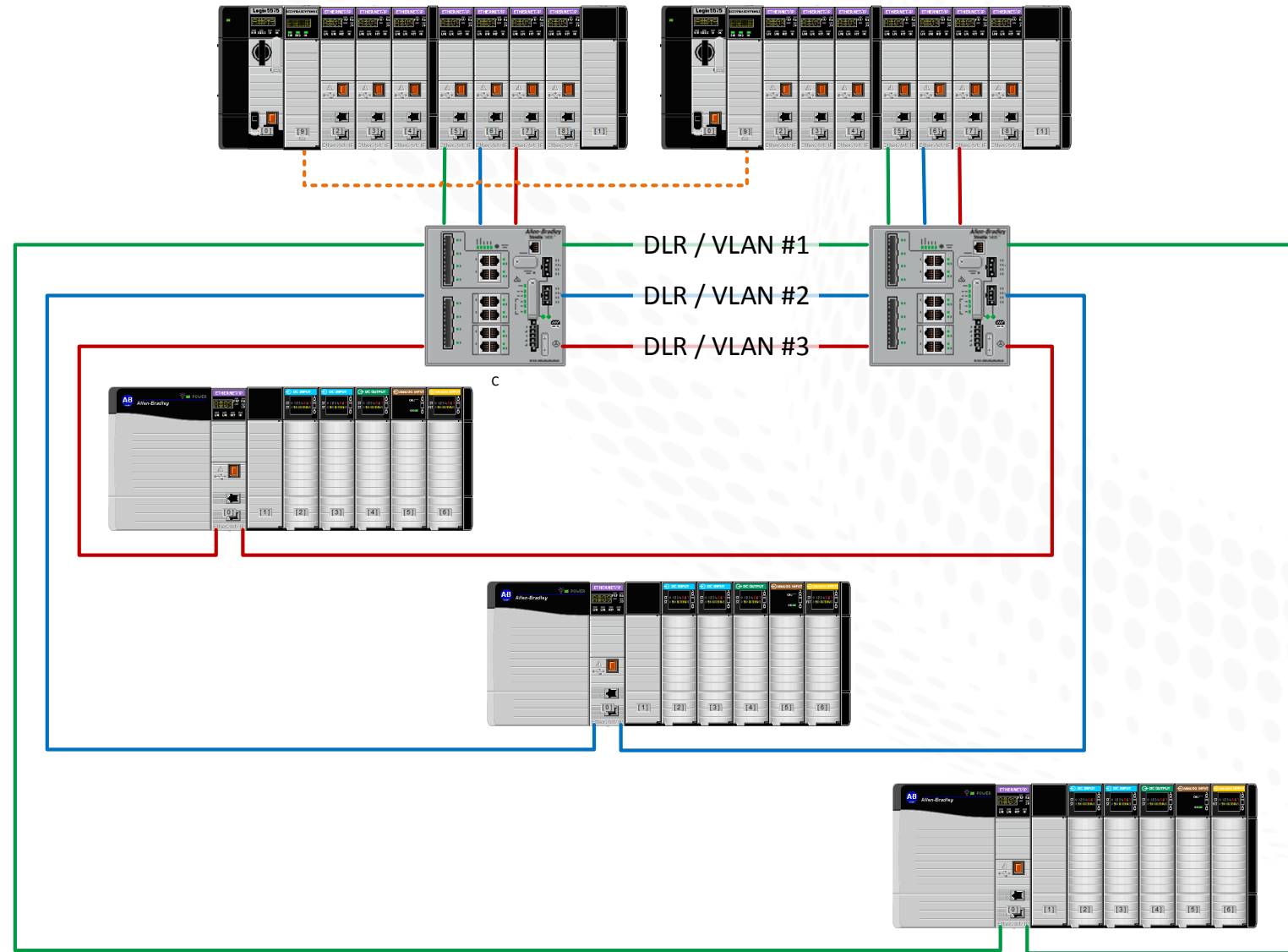
- When indirectly connecting the redundant racks to DLR networks, no media converters or switches are allowed between an EN2\* and DLR Switch. It must be a direct link.<sup>1</sup>
- By following the guidance above, you can **avoid** the scenario where:
  - The link between the media converter and DLR Stratix switch fails.
  - Since the EN2\* link is still up, the primary **will not** switch over, even though it can't "see" the DLR network and the secondary can.





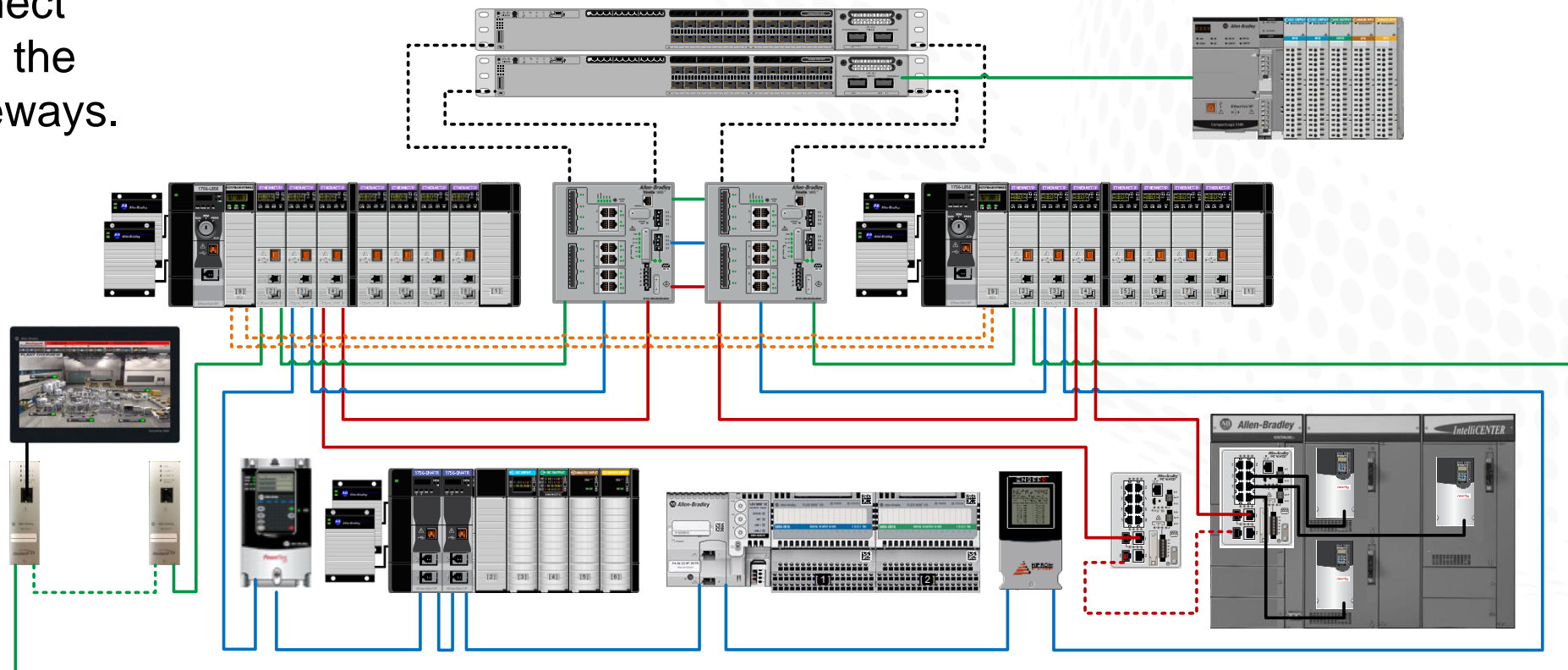
# VLAN Restrictions for Indirect DLR

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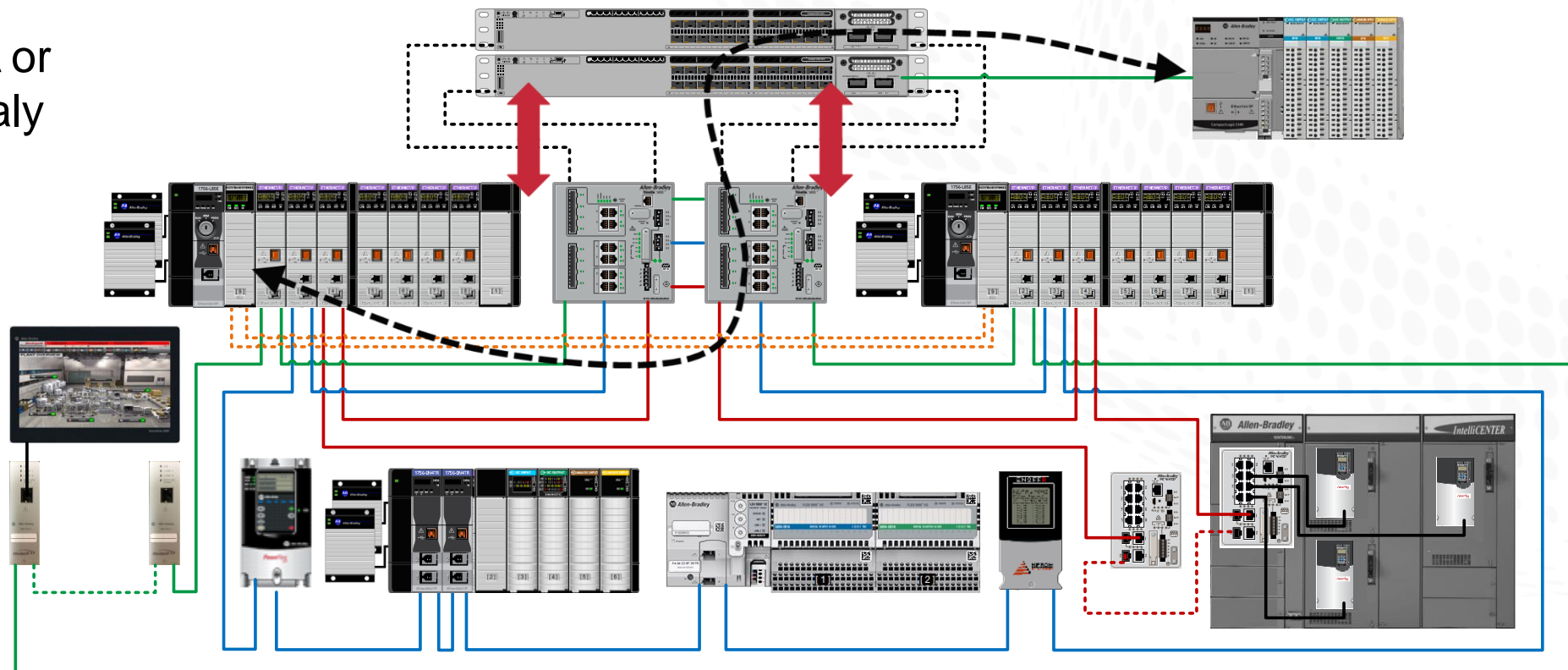
# Placement of DLR Redundant Gateways

- The two DLR redundant gateways should be located between the two redundant controller racks just like it is shown in the diagram<sup>1</sup>.
- You should not connect any other devices to the DLR redundant gateways.



# Traffic through DLR Redundant Gateways

- When a DLR redundant gateway switchover event occurs, there is chance that *traffic traversing the DLR gateways* will be interrupted during the gateway switchover and/or recovery phases.<sup>1</sup>
- Requires Stratix Firmware 15.2(7)EA or higher due to anomaly in earlier versions.<sup>2</sup>



# Where to find release notes- PCDC

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the Rockwell Automation website. The page title is "Product Versions". The URL is "compatibility.rockwellautomation.com/Pages/ProductReplacement.aspx?crumb=101#". The page features a navigation bar with links for Industries, Capabilities, Products, Support, Company, and Sales. Below the navigation bar, there is a section titled "VERSIONS" with a red "CHANGE PRODUCT" button and a "LEGEND" button. The main content area displays a table of product versions for the "1756-Lxx Enhanced Redundancy Bundle". The table has columns for Version, Downloads, and Information. The versions listed are: 33.051\_kit2, 33.051\_kit1, 32.051\_kit2, 32.051\_kit1, 31.052\_kit2, 31.052\_kit1, 30.051\_kit2, 30.051\_kit1, 24.053\_kit1, 24.052\_kit1, 20.058\_kit2, 20.058\_kit1, 20.057\_kit1, 20.056\_kit1, 20.055\_kit4, 20.055\_kit3, 20.055\_kit2, 20.055\_kit1, 20.054\_kit1, 19.053\_kit2, 19.053\_kit1, and 16.081\_kit1. Each version has a download icon and a checkmark icon. Below the table, there are sections for Features, Anomaly, Functional Changes, Requirements, and Application Notes. A footer note states: "A blank or empty cell indicates that there are no known issues or dependencies." The Rockwell Automation logo is visible in the bottom left corner of the page.

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# Release notes- PCDC

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Release Notes

ControlLogix Enhanced Redundancy System  
Version 31.052\_kit2 (released 10/2019)



Catalog Number 1756-Lxx Enhanced Redundancy Bundle

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Requirements

This release has the following requirements.

Digitally Signed Ethernet Module Firmware for Revision 31.052\_kit2

Catalog Numbers

- 1756-EN2T/C, 1756-EN2T/D, 1756-EN2TR/B, 1756-EN2TR/C, 1756- EN2TP/A, 1756-EN2F/B, 1756-EN2F/C

Digitally signed firmware provides more security over the unsigned firmware. This firmware is different based on the EtherNet/IP™ communication modules you use.

Cat. No.	Supported Firmware Revisions	Digitally Signed Firmware	Included with this Redundancy Bundle
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1756-EN2T/C or	5.008	No	Yes

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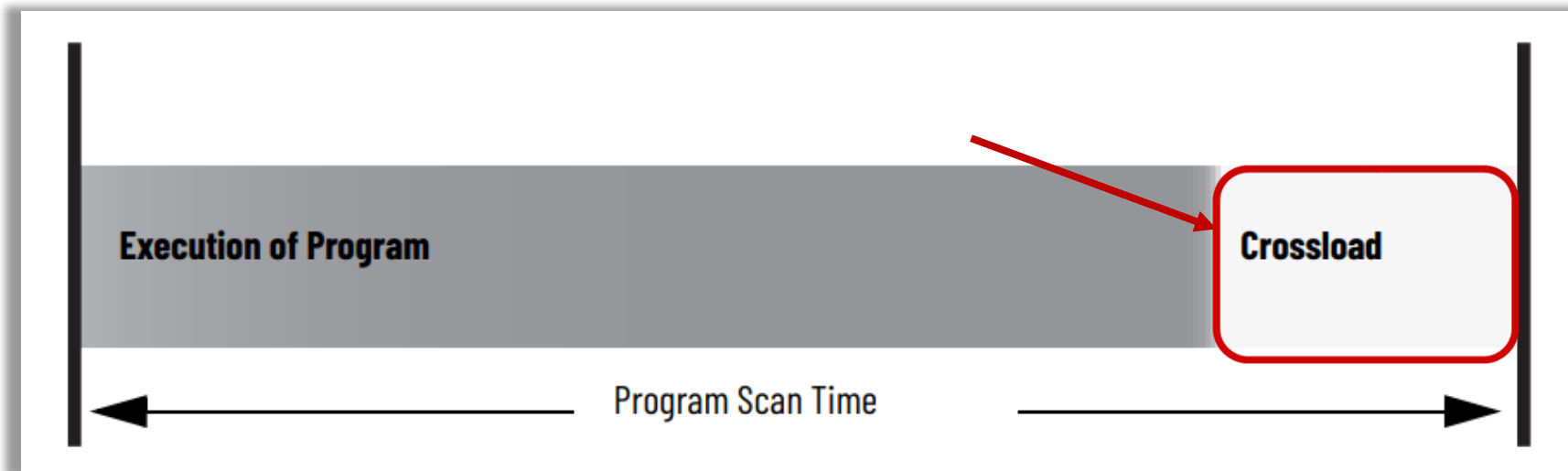


# ControlLogix 5580 Redundancy Programming Best Practices



# Simplex versus Redundancy Scan Time Performance

- **Question:** Why does the program scan time increase in a ControlLogix Redundancy System?
- **Answer:** Crossloading.
  - Crossloading is when a primary controller periodically pauses execution to synchronize data with the secondary controller.
  - Crossloading allows for bumpless transfer of outputs during a switchover event.
  - By **default**, crossloading occurs at the end of every program scan.



# ControlLogix Redundancy Programming Best Practices

See Chapter 6 of [ControlLogix 5580 Redundant Controller User Manual](#), publication 1756-UM015



## Chapter 6

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# Optimizing a ControlLogix 5580 Redundancy Application

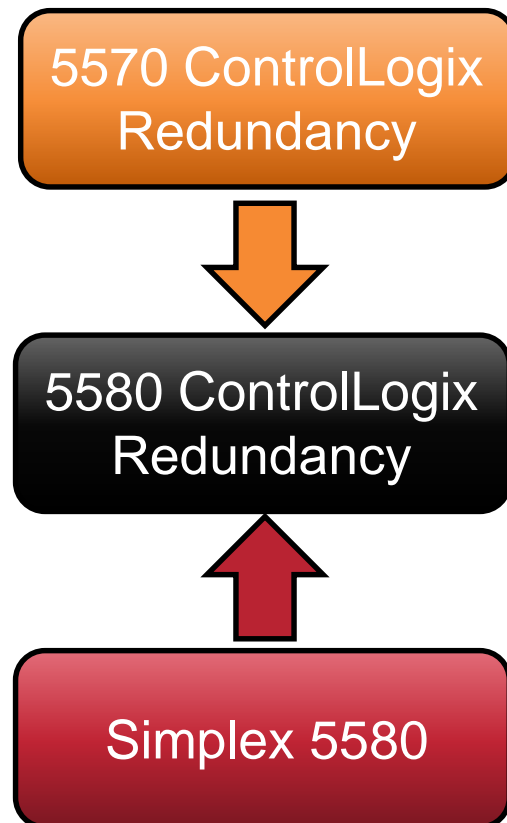
To optimize scan time performance in a ControlLogix Redundancy application:

- Utilize a Periodic Task over a Continuous Task.
- Minimize the number of programs.
- Optimize program execution.
- Consolidate code.
- Combine data into groups which are likely to change during the same program scan arrays or structures.
- Use arrays or structures instead of individual tags.
- Optimize the layout of User-defined Data Types (UDTs).
- Delete unused tags.



# 5580 ControlLogix Redundancy Migrations – Expected Performance

- **Question:** What performance difference can be expected when migrating to 5580 ControlLogix Redundancy?
- **Answer:** It depends. Achieved performance is very dependent on the implementation of the Programming Best Practices covered in Chapter 6 of the [ControlLogix 5580 Redundant Controller User Manual, pub. 1756-um015](#)



## 5570 Redundancy → 5580 Redundancy:

If programming best practices are followed, expect 1:1 performance.

## Simplex 5580 → 5580 Redundancy:

Harder to predict performance.

If best practices are NOT followed:

Expect substantially degraded performance



# 5570 → 5580 ControlLogix Redundancy Migrations

- The 5570 ControlLogix Redundancy crossload boundary is **256** bytes.

256	256	256	256	256
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- The 5580 ControlLogix Redundancy crossload boundary is **4096** bytes.

4096	4096	4096	4096	4096
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Literature Library

[Replacement Guidelines: Logix 5000 Controllers Reference Manual, publication 1756-rm100](#)

# 5570 → 5580 ControlLogix Redundancy Migrations

This table shows how much data is transferred from the primary controller to the secondary controller, assuming each tag is a DINT.

Scenario	ControlLogix 5570 transfer size range (bytes)	ControlLogix 5580 transfer size range (bytes)
Change 1 tag	256	4,096
Change 2 adjacent tags	256	4,096
Change 2 non-adjacent tags	256...512	4,096...8,192
Change 10 adjacent tags	256...512	4,096...8,192
Change 10 non-adjacent tags	256...2,560	4,096...40,960
Change 16 non-adjacent tags	256...4,096	4,096...65,536
Change 1000 tags	4,096...256,000	4,096...4,096,000

The amount of data crossloaded for 5580s can be up to **16x** greater than

5570s

**Best Practice:** To optimize performance, follow the Best Practices captured in Chapter 6 of the ControlLogix 5580 Redundant Controller User Manual, pub. 1756-um015.