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## What is the difference between the first generation and second generation Smart 16 shelves?

**Q:** I have a Smart 16/16e shelf. How can I tell if it is a first or second generation unit?

## A:

The second generation shelf was designed to provide dual power inputs as an option for the user that required higher reliability upon a single point of failure.

- The shelf backplane was redesigned
- A new plastic backplane shield was keyed for dual power interface cards
- New rear power interface cards allow dual input functionality
- Silkscreen was added to identify power supply #1 and #2 on the front of the shelf