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# KNX DALI Gateways – Practical knowledge about DALI – Part 2

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### Why going in more Details with DALI?

- DALI as a worldwide standard with a huge number of existing installations and even more light circuits has proven its value in commercial projects, a real success story together with KNX
- In most of the cases DALI installation and commissioning with ABB i-bus® KNX DALI Gateways works well thanks to long term experiences, standardization and also adaptations in the last years
- At the beginning only DALI-1 standard was existing, causing in some cases challenges to deliver a proper solution
- DALI-2 with a test procedure for the products helps in this regard
- With ABB i-bus® KNX Gateways, the powerful ETS application and support with ABB i-bus® Tool a smooth implementation is feasible
- Nevertheless there are still some challenges in projects, caused by demanding installations or DALI-1 devices
- With these learning sessions we want to provide additional content, partly more complex than normal, but very helpful if required
- Few customers need this support, ABB can deliver in such a case

The image displays four screenshots from the ETS (Energy Management System) software, illustrating DALI gateway configuration and monitoring.

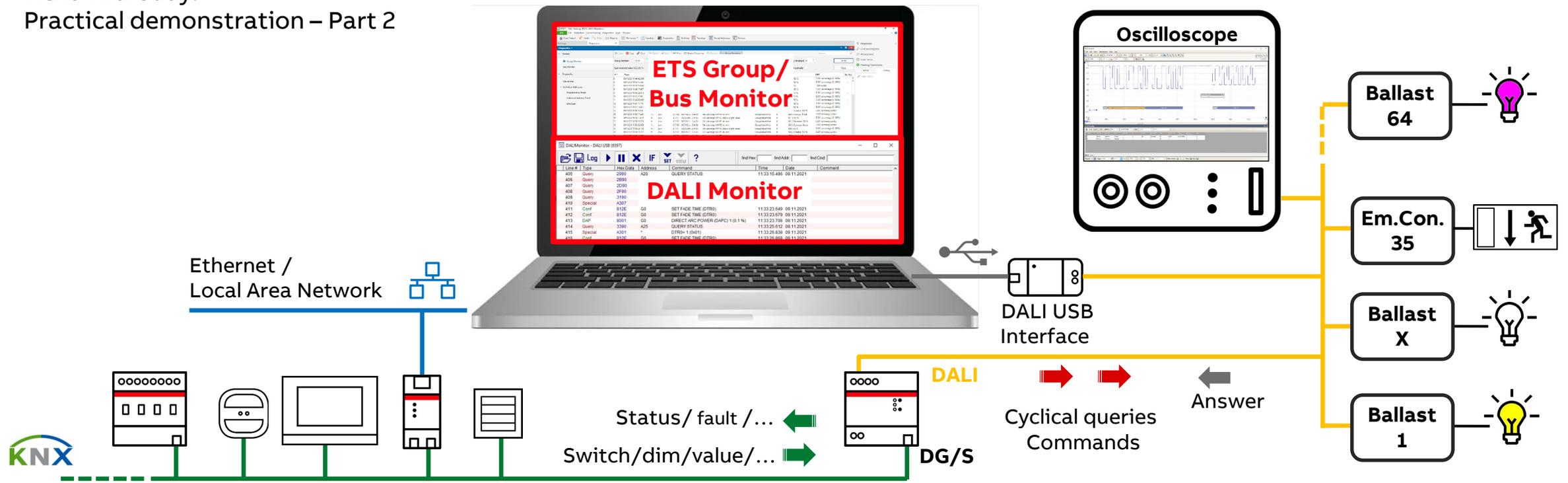
- Top Left:** Configuration window for a DALI gateway. The 'Functions' tab is active, showing various parameters like 'Factor in function Burn-in', 'Factor in function partial failure', and 'Enable function "Partial failure" on page Output functions'. A red arrow points to the 'Factor in function Burn-in' parameter.
- Top Right:** A graphical representation of DALI status or power consumption. A red box highlights a specific data point on the graph, with a red arrow pointing to it.
- Bottom Left:** A log window showing DALI communication. A red arrow points to a 'Command' entry (Line 107) and another red arrow points to a '2 sec.' duration for an answer (Line 114).
- Bottom Right:** A packet capture analysis window showing a DALI packet. A red box highlights the packet details, including 'Start Time: 198.6 ms', 'End Time: 200.6 ms', 'Frame: Forward', 'Start Bit: 1', 'Address: 00', 'Selector Bit: 00', 'Data: Command', 'Address Type: Short', and 'Control Command: QUERY STATUS'.

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## Diagnostic with “DALI Monitor“ and DALI USB Interface

- Next Thursday:  
Practical demonstration – Part 2



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## Part 2: Today (Online Learning Session)

DALI diagnostic with

Software “DALI Monitor” and DALI USB interface

ETS Group Monitor

Oscilloscope

... and with live demonstration on Thursday (Practical Learning Session)

# KNX DALI Gateways – Practical knowledge about DALI – Part 2

Overview of all ABB i-bus® KNX DALI Gateways and DALI Light Controller



	Gateway DG/S 1.64.1.1 Basic	Gateway DG/S 2.64.1.1 Basic	Gateway DG/S 1.64.5.1 Premium	Gateway DG/S 2.64.5.1 Premium	Gateway DG/S 8.1	Light Controller DLR/S 8.16.1M	Light Controller DLR/A 4.8.1.1
<b>Controlled</b>	Single/Group control	Single/Group control	Single/Group control	Single/Group control	Broadcast	Group control	Group control
<b>DALI outputs</b>	1	2	1	2	8 (A...H)	1	1
<b>DALI devices</b>	64 (ballasts and Em.Conv.)	2 x 64 (ballasts and Em.Conv.)	64 (ballasts and Em.Conv.)	2 x 64 (ballasts and Em.Conv.)	128 (max. 16 per output)	64	64
<b>DALI addressing</b>	64 individual	A: 64 individual B: 64 individual	64 individual	A: 64 individual B: 64 individual	not necessary	64 individual	64 individual
<b>Lighting groups</b>	16 DALI	2 x 16 DALI	16 DALI	2 x 16 DALI	cable installation	16 DALI	8 DALI
<b>Emerg. Light. con.</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	-	-
<b>DT8 Color temp. Tunable White T<sub>C</sub></b>	-	-	Yes	Yes	-	-	-
<b>Application V2.0, e.g. DT8 RGB(W), HSV(W), load shedding, sequencer, ...</b>	-	-	Yes	Yes	-	-	-

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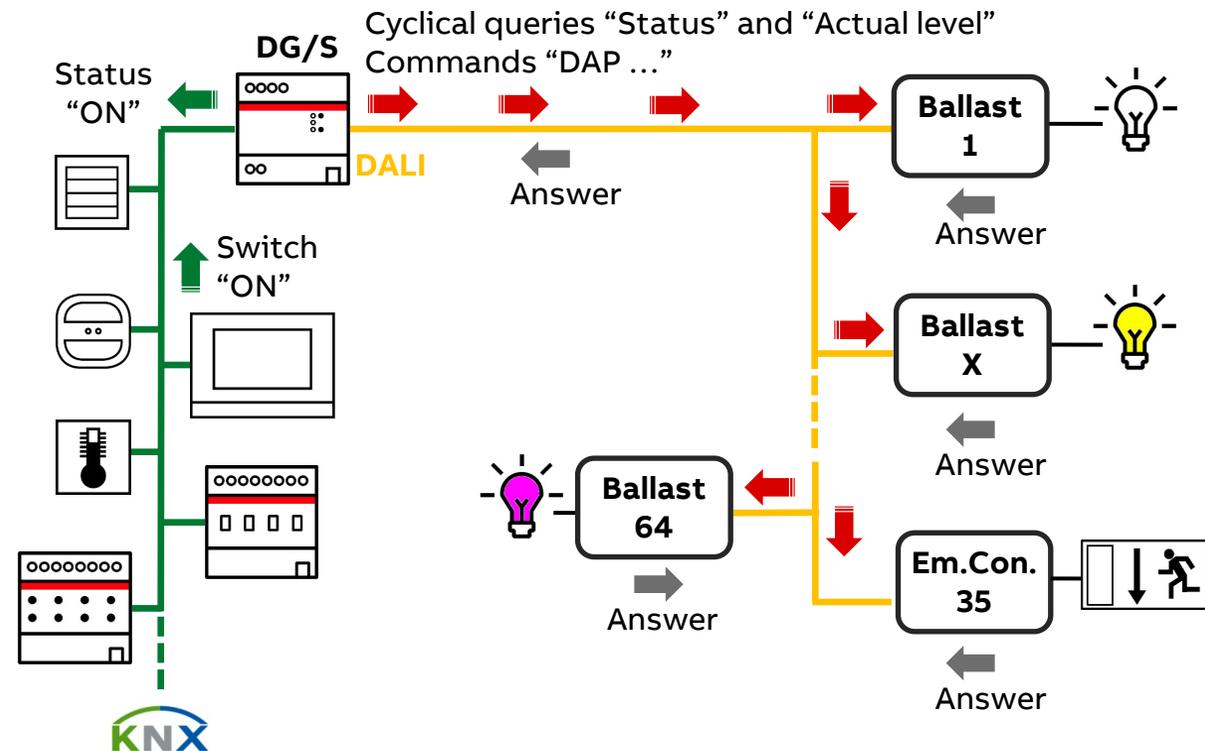
### DALI technology and KNX DALI Gateways

#### The DALI Gateway as the Master

- Transfers commands from KNX to DALI and sent back status messages to KNX
- Sends cyclical queries to all DALI devices (slaves)
  - Status
  - Actual level
  - Only the addressed device replies with information
  - This is a continuous process (24/7)
  - The time between each query can be set in the ETS parameters (default 2 sec.)

#### DALI device:

Ballast (DT0, DT6, DT8,...) or emergency lighting converter (DT1)

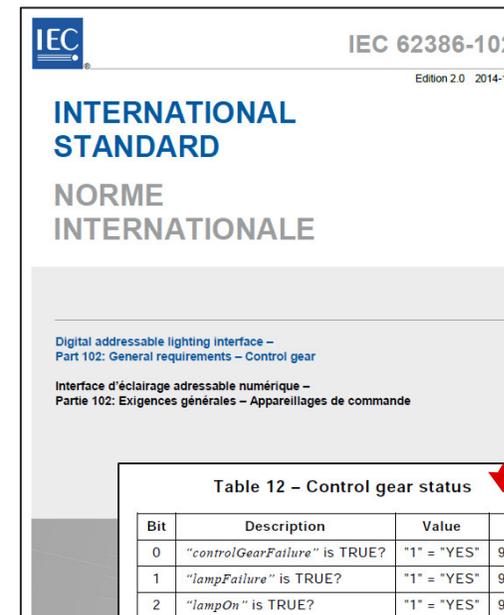


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### DALI commands and cyclical queries

- The DALI commands are specified in the International Standard IEC 62386 Part 102 “General requirements – Control gear”
- The DALI Gateway as the Master sends commands
  - Level instructions (direct arc power, go to scene, ...)
  - Special commands (program short address, write memory location, initialize, ping, ...)
  - Configuration instructions (set min/max level, set fade time, store actual level, add to group, ...)
- and cyclical queries to all DALI devices (slaves)
  - Status
  - Actual level



IEC 62386-102  
Edition 2.0 2014-11

**INTERNATIONAL STANDARD**

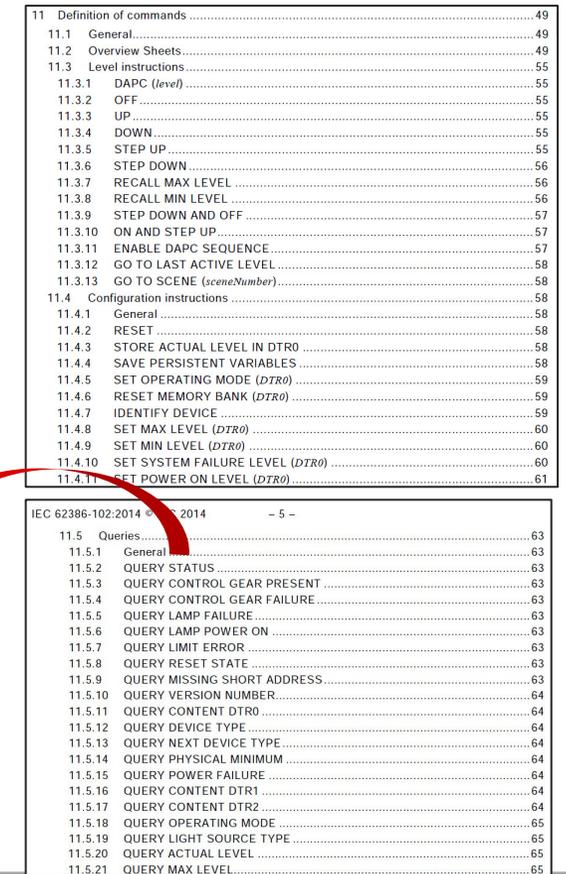
**NORME INTERNATIONALE**

Digital addressable lighting interface –  
Part 102: General requirements – Control gear

Interface d'éclairage adressable numérique –  
Partie 102: Exigences générales – Appareillages de commande

**Table 12 – Control gear status**

Bit	Description	Value	See
0	"controlGearFailure" is TRUE?	"1" = "YES"	9.16.2
1	"lampFailure" is TRUE?	"1" = "YES"	9.16.3
2	"lampOn" is TRUE?	"1" = "YES"	9.16.4
3	"limitError" is TRUE?	"1" = "YES"	9.16.5
4	"fadeRunning" is TRUE?	"1" = "YES"	9.16.6
5	"resetState" is TRUE?	"1" = "YES"	9.16.7
6	"shortAddress" is MASK?	"1" = "YES"	9.16.8
7	"powerCycleSeen" is TRUE?	"1" = "YES"	9.16.9



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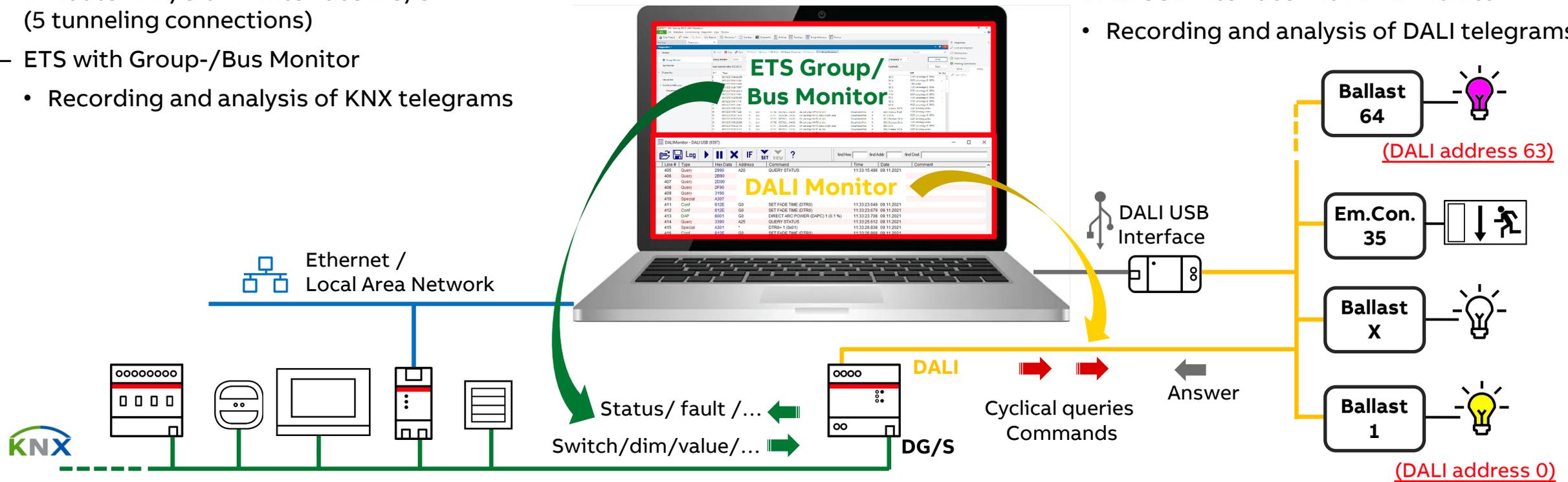
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### Diagnostic with “DALI Monitor“ and DALI USB Interface

- IP Router IPR/S or IP Interface IPS/S (5 tunneling connections)
- ETS with Group-/Bus Monitor
  - Recording and analysis of KNX telegrams

- DALI USB Interface with DALI Monitor
  - Recording and analysis of DALI telegrams



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### Diagnostic with “DALI Monitor“ and DALI USB Interface

- Manufacturers offer interfaces between USB and DALI, e.g. Tridonic, Lunatone
- Together with software, the telegrams can be recorded and analyzed on the DALI line
  - Commands and queries sent by the DALI Gateway
  - Answers from the devices
- It can also be used to address, program DALI devices and set parameters (e.g. Tridonic “masterCONFIGURATOR” software)  
→ With the KNX DALI Gateway DG/S, however, this is done via the i-bus® Tool and the ETS
- The DALI USB interface has no DALI address



DALIMonitor - DALI USB (6597)

Line #	Type	Hex Data	Address	Command	Time	Date	Comment
493	Query	7990	A60	QUERY STATUS	08:57:43.390	09.11.2021	
494	Query	7B90	A61	QUERY STATUS	08:57:45.412	09.11.2021	
495	Query	7D90	A62	QUERY STATUS	08:57:47.429	09.11.2021	
496	Query	7F90	A63	QUERY STATUS	08:57:49.454	09.11.2021	
497	Query	0190	A0	QUERY STATUS	08:57:53.479	09.11.2021	
498	Answer	00		= 0 (0x00)	08:57:53.492	09.11.2021	
499	Query	01A0	A0	QUERY ACTUAL LEVEL	08:57:55.483	09.11.2021	
500	Answer	00		= 0 (0x00)	08:57:55.497	09.11.2021	
501	Query	0390	A1	QUERY STATUS	08:57:57.504	09.11.2021	
502	Answer	04		= 4 (0x04)	08:57:57.542	09.11.2021	
503	Query	03A0	A1	QUERY ACTUAL LEVEL	08:57:59.509	09.11.2021	
504	Answer	B7		= 183 (0xB7)	08:57:59.521	09.11.2021	
505	Query	0590	A2	QUERY STATUS	08:58:01.536	09.11.2021	
506	Answer	04		= 4 (0x04)	08:58:01.546	09.11.2021	
507	Query	05A0	A2	QUERY ACTUAL LEVEL	08:58:03.539	09.11.2021	
508	Answer	FE		= 254 (0xFE)	08:58:03.552	09.11.2021	
509	Query	0790	A3	QUERY STATUS	08:58:05.561	09.11.2021	
510	Answer	04		= 4 (0x04)	08:58:05.574	09.11.2021	
511	Query	07A0	A3	QUERY ACTUAL LEVEL	08:58:07.567	09.11.2021	

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### Diagnostic with “DALI Monitor“ and DALI USB Interface

Google search results for "dali usb interface". The search bar contains "dali usb interface". Below the search bar, there are four product listings:

- Tridonic PC-Schnittstellenmodul DALI - USB: 178,00 €
- WATT24 DALI Programmierset (Kompletts...): 214,20 €
- Lunatone 24138923 DALI Interfaces und Tools: 209,88 €
- Lunatone Programmierschnitts DALI USB MINI: 240,14 €

~ 200 €

Tridonic product page for DALI USB interface. The page shows the product description, a data sheet, and ordering information.

**Product description**

- Interface module from USB to a DALI system
- For connecting Tridonic software tools
- Addressing, programming and parametrising DALI installations and Tridonic devices
- Power supply via DALI line and USB interface
- 5 years guarantee

**Ordering data**

Type	Article number	Packaging, carton	Weight per pc.
DALI USB	24138923	50 pc(s).	0.155 kg

www.tridonic.com

Tridonic product page for masterCONFIGURATOR V2.38 software. The page shows the software description, a download button, and a list of documents.

**Software**

masterCONFIGURATOR V2.38 Software

masterCONFIGURATOR is used to put DALI circuits into operation via a PC. This software enables device-specific values of DALI operating devices and control devices to be set via DALI.

The DALI USB interface (article number 24138923) must be used for the connection. DALI-SCI (article number 24033463) is not supported.

[Download the software](#)

Document	Size	Date
Release Notes masterCONFIGURATOR	244 KB	15/07/2021
Windows 7 compatibility with masterCONFIGURATOR	154 KB	26/06/2020
masterCONFIGURATOR manual	9.9 MB	25/11/2021 <b>new</b>
DALI - important facts at a glance	704 KB	26/06/2020

→ Download “masterCONFIGURATOR”  
(free of charge)  
The program “DALI Monitor” is also installed  
with the “masterCONFIGURATOR” software

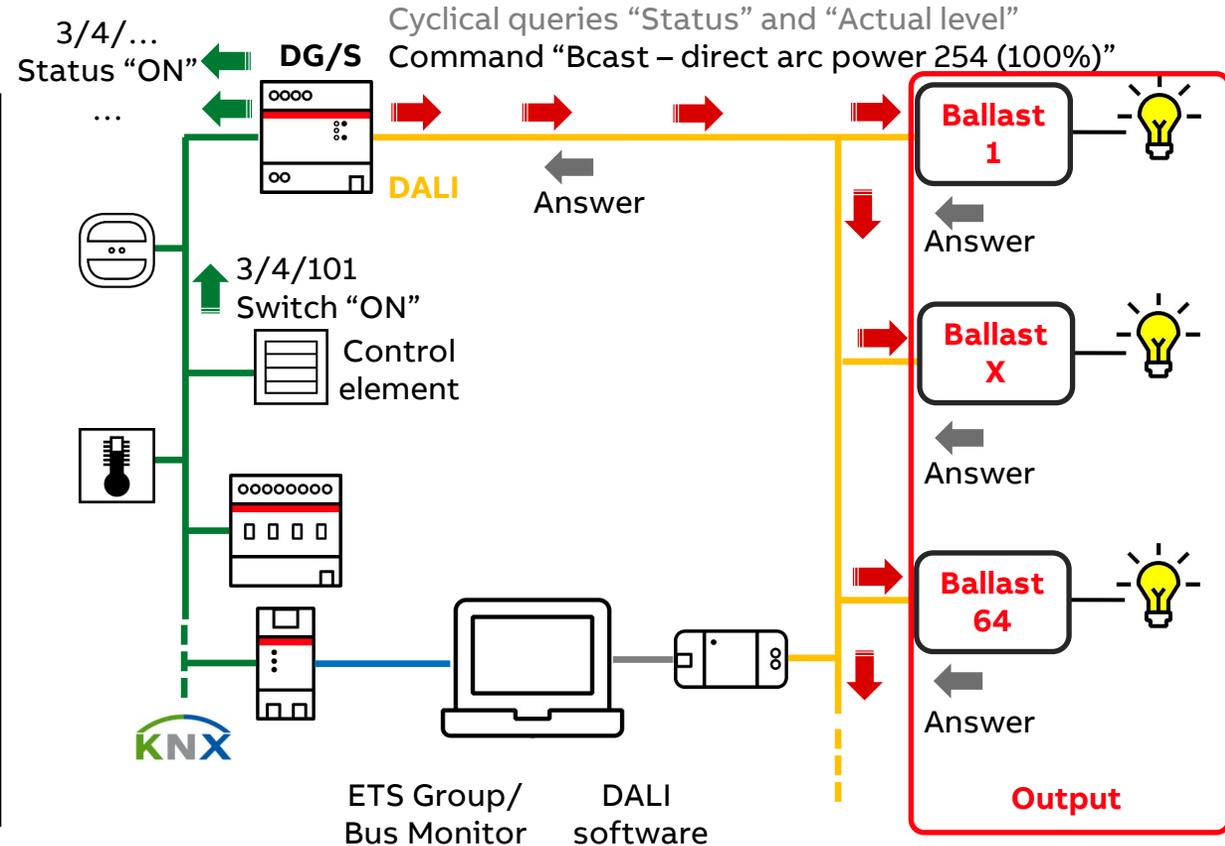
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### Diagnostic with “DALI Monitor“ and DALI USB Interface

Example: Switch ON output A

- Control element sends group address 3/4/101 with value “1”
- ETS group monitor records telegram with group address 3/4/101 with value “1”
- DALI Gateway converts KNX group address 3/4/101 with value “1” into DALI command “**Bcast – direct arc power level 254 (100% light output)**”
- All ballasts switch on
- DALI Gateway simulates the switch on behavior of all ballasts and sends KNX group addresses with corresponding values (depends on fade time and parameter “Behavior Switch On Value”)



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### Diagnostic with “DALI Monitor“ and DALI USB Interface – Example: Switch ON output

– Control element sends group address 3/4/101 with value “1”

Time	Source	Source Name	Destination	Destination Name	Info
09.11.2021 14:38:31,636	3.7.154	Control element	3/4/101	Output A: Switch	\$01   On

– DALI Gateway converts KNX group address 3/4/101 with value “1” into DALI command “Bcast – direct arc power 254 level (100% light output)”

Line #	Type	Hex Data	Address	Command
1	DAP	FEFE	Bcast	DIRECT ARC POWER (DAPC) 254 (100 %)

Time	Source	Source Name	Destination	Destination Name	Info
09.11.2021 14:38:31,794	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/42	Bal. 1: RGBW LED strip left Status Switch	\$01   On
09.11.2021 14:38:31,814	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/62	Bal. 2: White LED strip mid. Status Switch	\$01   On
09.11.2021 14:38:31,834	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/72	Bal. 3: Tc LED strip right Status Switch	\$01   On
09.11.2021 14:38:31,858	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/78	Bal. 3: Tc LED strip right Color temp. status	0D 20   3360 K
09.11.2021 14:38:31,968	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/2	G1: Led strips RED Status Switch	\$01   On
09.11.2021 14:38:31,988	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/12	G2: Led strips GREEN Status Switch	\$01   On
09.11.2021 14:38:32,008	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/22	G3: Led strips BLUE Status Switch	\$01   On
09.11.2021 14:38:32,040	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/32	G4: Led strips WHITE Status Switch	\$01   On
09.11.2021 14:38:33,748	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/47	Bal. 1: RGBW LED strip left Set value red/Stat.	\$59   35 %
09.11.2021 14:38:33,769	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/48	Bal. 1: RGBW LED strip left Set value green/Stat.	\$FF   100 %
09.11.2021 14:38:33,790	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/49	Bal. 1: RGBW LED strip left Set value blue/Status	\$00   0 %
09.11.2021 14:38:33,812	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/50	Bal. 1: RGBW LED strip left Set value white/Stat.	\$00   0 %
09.11.2021 14:38:33,834	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/65	Bal. 2: White LED strip mid. Status Bright. value	\$FF   100 %
09.11.2021 14:38:33,856	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/75	Bal. 3: Tc LED strip right Status Bright. value	\$FF   100 %
09.11.2021 14:38:33,901	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/5	G1: Led strips RED Status Bright. value	\$FF   100 %
09.11.2021 14:38:33,923	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/15	G2: Led strips GREEN Status Bright. value	\$FF   100 %
09.11.2021 14:38:33,945	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/25	G3: Led strips BLUE Status Bright. value	\$FF   100 %
09.11.2021 14:38:33,967	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/35	G4: Led strips WHITE Status Bright. value	\$FF   100 %

– All ballasts switch on

– DALI Gateway simulates the switch on behavior of all ballasts and sends KNX group addresses with corresponding values (depends on fade time and parameter “Behavior Switch On Value”)



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### Diagnostic with “DALI Monitor“ and DALI USB Interface – Example: Switch ON ballast 2

– Control element sends group address 3/4/61 with value “1”

Time	Source	Source Name	Destination	Destination Name	Info
09.11.2021 15:11:18,705	3.7.153	6127/02 contrl...	3/4/61	Bal. 2: White LED strip mid. Switch	\$01   On



– DALI Gateway converts KNX group address 3/4/61 with value “1” into DALI command “A1 – direct arc power 254 level (100% light output)”

Line #	Type	Hex Data	Address	Command
1	DAP	02FE	A1	DIRECT ARC POWER (DAPC) 254 (100 %)

- Ballast no. 2 (= DALI address 1) switches on
- DALI Gateway simulates the switch on behavior of ballast no. 2 and sends KNX group address 3/4/62 with value “ON” and 3/4/65 with value “100%” (depends on fade time and parameter “Behavior Switch On Value”)



Time	Source	Source Name	Destination	Destination Name	Info
09.11.2021 15:11:18,799	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/62	Bal. 2: White LED strip mid. Status Switch	\$01   On
09.11.2021 15:11:20,797	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/65	Bal. 2: White LED strip mid. Status Bright. value	\$FF   100 %

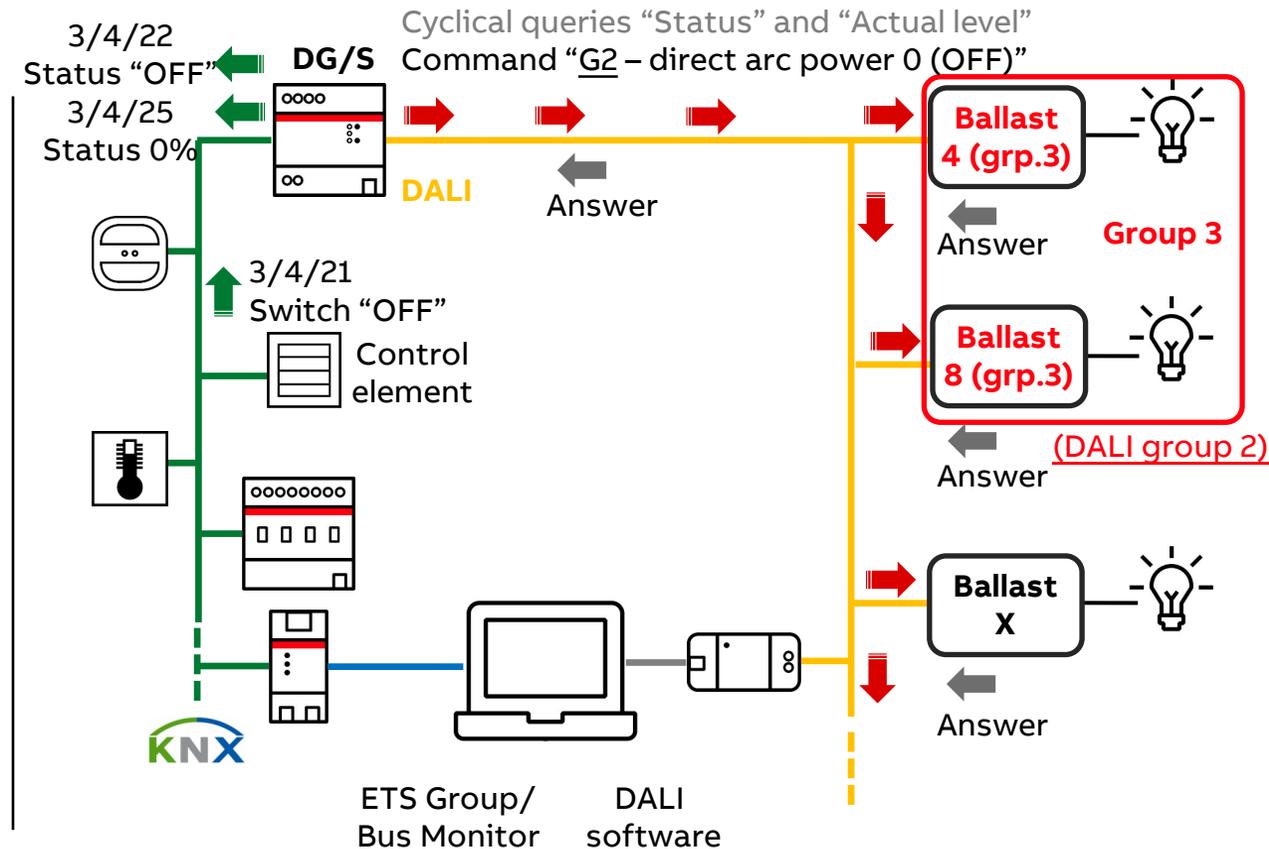
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### Diagnostic with “DALI Monitor“ and DALI USB Interface

Example: Switch OFF group 3

- The group membership is already saved in the ballasts
- Control element sends group address 3/4/21 with value “0”
- ETS group monitor records telegram with group address 3/4/21 with value “0”
- DALI Gateway converts KNX group address 3/4/21 with value “0” into DALI command “**G2 – direct arc power level 0 (OFF light output)**”
- Group no. 3 (= DALI group 2) switches off
- DALI Gateway simulates the switch off behavior of the group and sends KNX group address 3/4/22 with value “OFF” and 3/4/25 with value “0%” (both depends on fade time and parameter “Behavior Switch Off Value”)



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### Diagnostic with “DALI Monitor“ and DALI USB Interface – Example: Switch OFF group 3

– Control element sends group address 3/4/21 with value “0”

Time	Source	Source Name	Destination	Destination Name	Info
09.11.2021 15:19:52,333	3.7.152	6127/02 contrl...	3/4/21	G3: Led strips BLUE Switch	\$00   Off



– DALI Gateway converts KNX group address 3/4/21 with value “0” into DALI command “G2 – direct arc power 0 level (OFF light output)”

Line #	Type	Hex Data	Address	Command
1	DAP	8400	G2	DIRECT ARC POWER (DAPC) 0 (OFF)

- Group no. 3 (= DALI group 2) switches off
- The group membership is already saved in the ballasts
- DALI Gateway simulates the switch off behavior of the group and sends KNX group address 3/4/22 with value “0” and 3/4/25 with value “0%” (both depends on fade time and parameter “Behavior Switch Off Value”)



Time	Source	Source Name	Destination	Destination Name	Info
09.11.2021 15:19:54,631	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/22	G3: Led strips BLUE Status Switch	\$00   Off
09.11.2021 15:19:54,652	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/25	G3: Led strips BLUE Status Bright. value	\$00   0 %





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### Diagnostic with “DALI Monitor“ and DALI USB Interface – Example: Dim group 4 down

- Press rocker of control element  
→ Group address 3/4/33 with value “01” (start dim down) is sent

Time	Source	Source Name	Destinatio	Destination Name	Info
09.11.2021 15:56:34,172	3.7.152	6127/02 contrl...	3/4/33	G4: Led strips WHITE rel. dim.	\$01   Decrease, 100 %



- DALI Gateway converts KNX group address 3/4/33 with value “01” into DALI commands

- “DTR0=7” – send fade time (e.g. 7=5.7 sec)
- “G3 – set fade time” – store new fade time in all ballasts of the group
- “G3 – direct arc power level 1 (0.1% light output)” – group starts dim down to level “1”

Line #	Type	Hex Data	Address	Command
1	Special	A307	*	DTR0= 7 (0x07)
2	Conf	872E *	G3	SET FADE TIME (DTR0)
3	Conf	872E *	G3	SET FADE TIME (DTR0)
4	DAP	8601	G3	DIRECT ARC POWER (DAPC) 1 (0.1 %)

\* Values written into the memory are sent twice

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### Diagnostic with “DALI Monitor“ and DALI USB Interface – Example: Dim group 4 down

- Release rocker of control element  
→ Group address 3/4/33 with value “00” (stop dim down) is sent

Time	Source	Source Name	Destinatio	Destination Name	Info
09.11.2021 15:56:37,449	3.7.152	6127/02 contrl...	3/4/33	G4: Led strips WHITE rel. dim.	\$00   Decrease, Break



- DALI Gateway converts KNX group address 3/4/33 with value “00” into DALI commands
  - “DTR0=1” – send fade time (1=0.7 sec, fastest possible time)
  - “G3 – set fade time” – store new fade time in all ballasts of the group
  - “G3 – direct arc power level 106 (1.8% light output)” – group stops dim down, the DALI Gateway calculates the dim stop value and send this value “106” to synchronize all ballasts of the group to the value

Line #	Type	Hex Data	Address	Command
7	Special	A301	*	DTR0= 1 (0x01)
8	Conf	872E *	G3	SET FADE TIME (DTR0)
9	Conf	872E *	G3	SET FADE TIME (DTR0)
10	DAP	866A	G3	DIRECT ARC POWER (DAPC) 106 (1.8 %)

Time	Source	Source Name	Destinatio	Destination Name	Info
09.11.2021 15:51:12,674	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/35	G4: Led strips WHITE Status Bright. value	\$94   58 %



- DALI Gateway sends KNX group address 3/4/35 with value “58%” (106)

\* Values written into the memory are sent twice

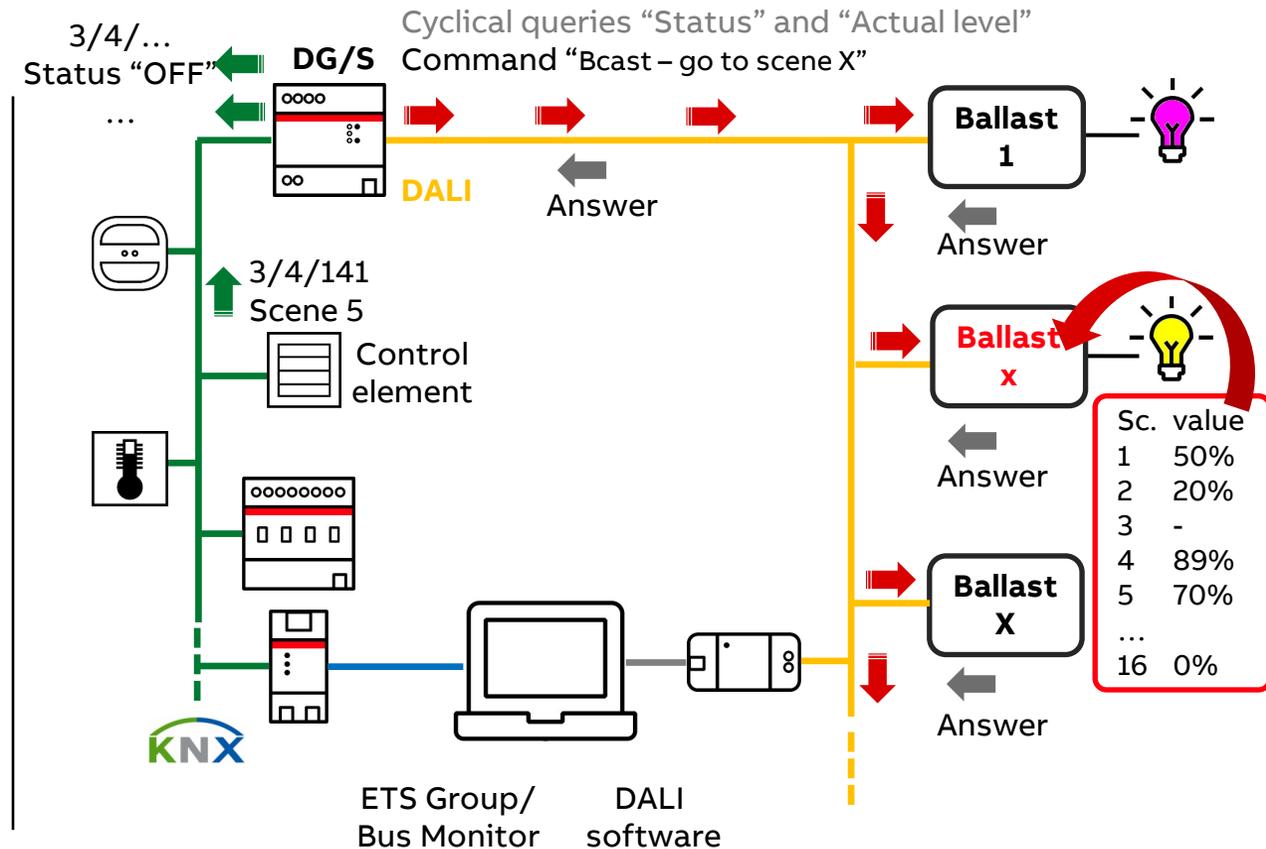
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### Diagnostic with “DALI Monitor“ and DALI USB Interface

Example: Call scene 5

- Control element sends group address 3/4/141 with value “4” (call scene 5)
- ETS group monitor records telegram with group address 3/4/141 with value “4” (activate scene 5)
- DALI Gateway converts KNX group address 3/4/141 with value “4” into DALI command “**Bcast – go to scene X**”  
Scene number depends on scene mapping (ETS parameter)
- The scene values and fade times are saved in the ballasts  
→ This values are called up for a scene
- The DALI Gateway simulates the behavior of all ballasts/groups which are members of the scene and sends KNX group addresses with corresponding values (depends on fade time)



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- Control element sends group address 3/4/141 with value “4” (call scene 5)

Time	Source	Source Name	Destination	Destination Name	Info
09.11.2021 15:33:08,836	3.7.154	Control element	3/4/141	Output A: KNX scene 1...64	\$04   Activate 5

Time	Source	Source Name	Destination	Destination Name	Info
09.11.2021 15:33:09,150	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/2	G1: Led strips RED Status Switch	\$01   On
09.11.2021 15:33:09,169	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/22	G3: Led strips BLUE Status Switch	\$01   On
09.11.2021 15:33:11,218	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/5	G1: Led strips RED Status Bright. value	\$FF   100 %
09.11.2021 15:33:11,238	3.7.151	DALI DG/S	3/4/25	G3: Led strips BLUE Status Bright. value	\$FF   100 %

– DALI output A

Use 1-bit objects for scene retrieval  No  Yes

– A Scenes

DALI scene 1: KNX scene number 5

Scene 1 DALI scene 2: KNX scene number 8

Scene 2

KNX scene 1...64 can be mapped to a DALI scene 1...16 (0...15), e.g. KNX scene 5 is mapped to DALI scene 1 (0)

- DALI Gateway converts KNX group address 3/4/141 with value “4” into DALI command “Bcast – go to scene 0”  
Scene number depends on scene mapping (ETS parameter)

Line #	Type	Hex Data	Address	Command
1	IAP	FF10	Bcast	GO TO SCENE 0

- The scene values are stored in the ballasts  
→ The stored values are called up for a scene
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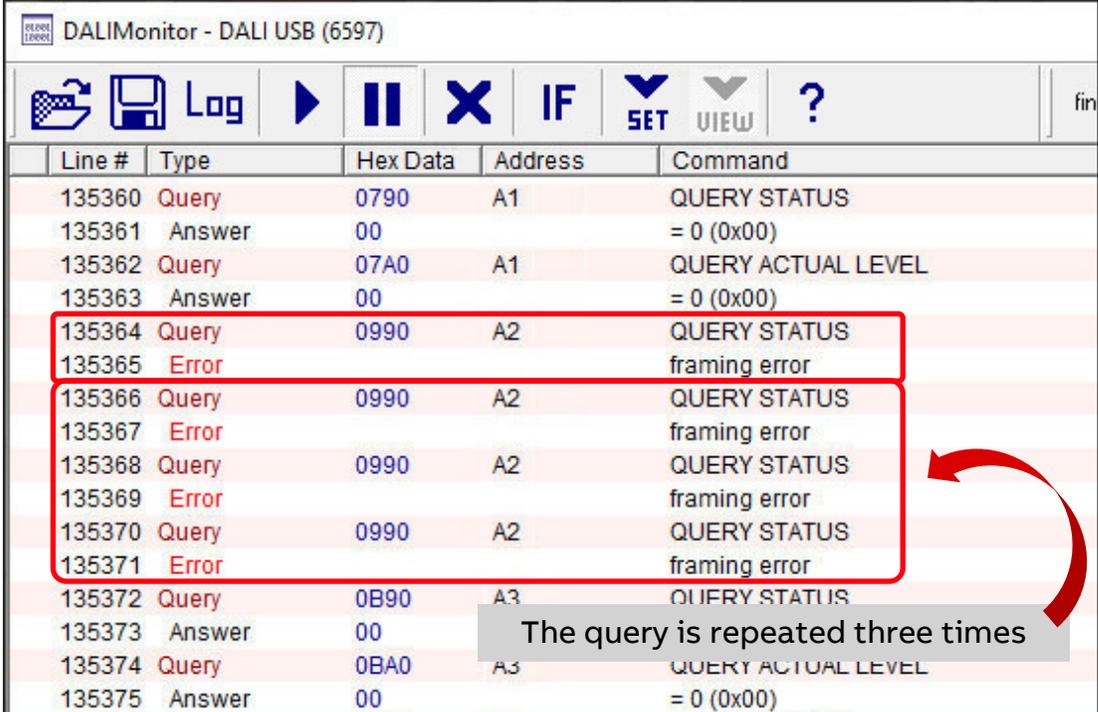
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### Diagnostic with “DALI Monitor“ and DALI USB Interface

Example: “FE” – Framing Error

- A framing error exists if no clear DALI telegram is received when the DALI device is polled
- This can occur if
  - The DALI device does not send a DALI compliant telegram
  - The DALI telegram was disrupted by external signal interference
  - Several DALI devices reply and their superimposed telegrams result in an unidentifiable DALI telegram being received (DALI double addresses)



Line #	Type	Hex Data	Address	Command
135360	Query	0790	A1	QUERY STATUS
135361	Answer	00		= 0 (0x00)
135362	Query	07A0	A1	QUERY ACTUAL LEVEL
135363	Answer	00		= 0 (0x00)
135364	Query	0990	A2	QUERY STATUS
135365	Error			framing error
135366	Query	0990	A2	QUERY STATUS
135367	Error			framing error
135368	Query	0990	A2	QUERY STATUS
135369	Error			framing error
135370	Query	0990	A2	QUERY STATUS
135371	Error			framing error
135372	Query	0B90	A3	QUERY STATUS
135373	Answer	00		
135374	Query	0BA0	A3	QUERY ACTUAL LEVEL
135375	Answer	00		= 0 (0x00)

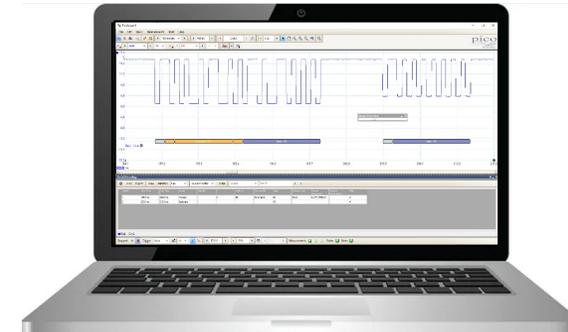
The query is repeated three times

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### Diagnostic with an Oscilloscope – Why?

- KNX and DALI are standardized worldwide
- The DALI Gateways DG/S are certified according to DALI-2
- DALI-2 certification brings a significantly improved interoperability
- Nevertheless, problems can occur
  - DALI Installation guidelines observed?  
The cabling and the installation of the DALI devices was not done by the KNX commissioning engineer  
→ Wiring error, more than 64 DALI devices per output, permissible cable length exceeded (longer telegram runtimes)
  - DALI-2 devices installed? DALI-1 devices have been installed which do not work in accordance with the DALI standard.  
DALI-1 is based on self-declaration  
→ the DALI device does not respond in the specified time

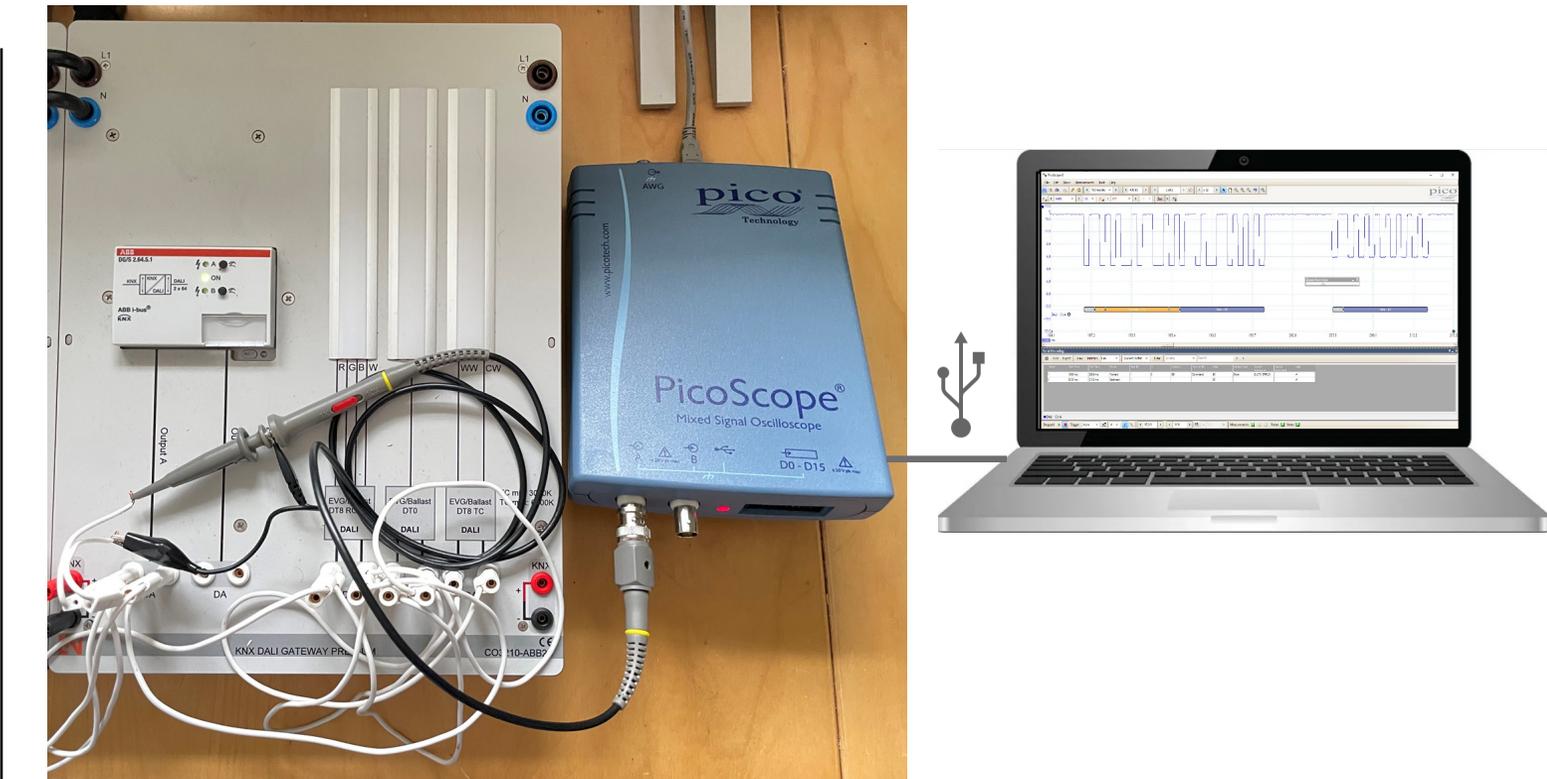


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### Diagnostic with an Oscilloscope

- PC oscilloscope with USB connection, e.g.
  - From the company "Pico Technology"
  - Software "PicoScope" can decode DALI waveforms (DALI protocol is available)
  - Further information:  
<https://www.picotech.com/library/oscilloscopes/dali-serial-protocol-decoding>
- DALI uses Manchester (biphase) encoding to send the start bit and the information bits
- The nominal data rate is 1,200 bit per second, so one bit time is  $833.33 \mu\text{s}$



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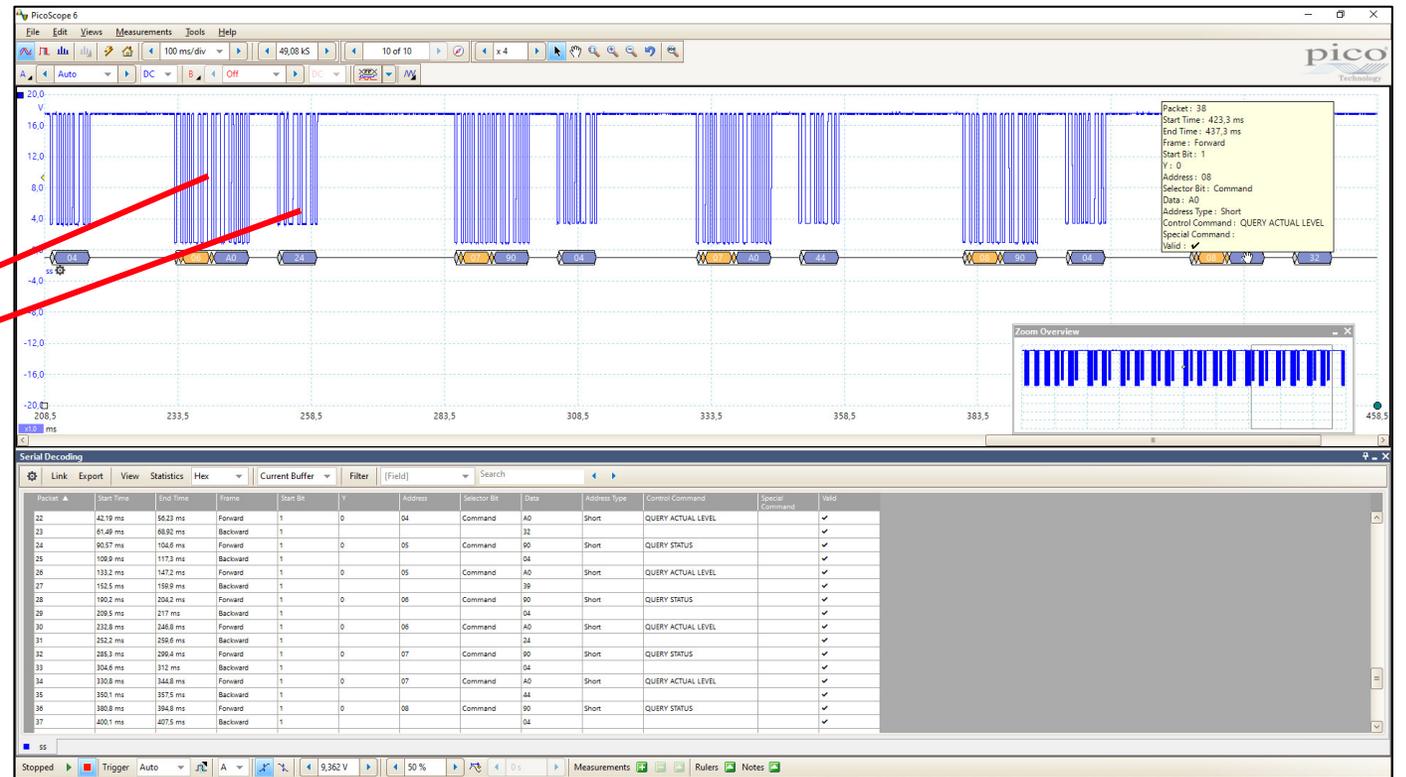
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### Diagnostic with an Oscilloscope

DALIMonitor - DALI USB (6597)

Log [Pause] [Stop] [IF] [SET] [VIEW] [?]

Line #	Type	Hex Data	Address	Command
493	Query	7990	A60	QUERY STATUS
494	Query	7B90	A61	QUERY STATUS
495	Query	7D90	A62	QUERY STATUS
496	Query	7F90	A63	QUERY STATUS
497	Query	0190	A0	QUERY STATUS
498	Answer	00		= 0 (0x00)
499	Query	01A0	A0	QUERY ACTUAL LEVEL
500	Answer	00		= 0 (0x00)
501	Query	0390	A1	QUERY STATUS
502	Answer	04		= 4 (0x04)
503	Query	03A0	A1	QUERY ACTUAL LEVEL
504	Answer	B7		= 183 (0xB7)
505	Query	0590	A2	QUERY STATUS
506	Answer	04		= 4 (0x04)
507	Query	05A0	A2	QUERY ACTUAL LEVEL
508	Answer	FE		= 254 (0xFE)
509	Query	0790	A3	QUERY STATUS
510	Answer	04		= 4 (0x04)
511	Query	07A0	A3	QUERY ACTUAL LEVEL



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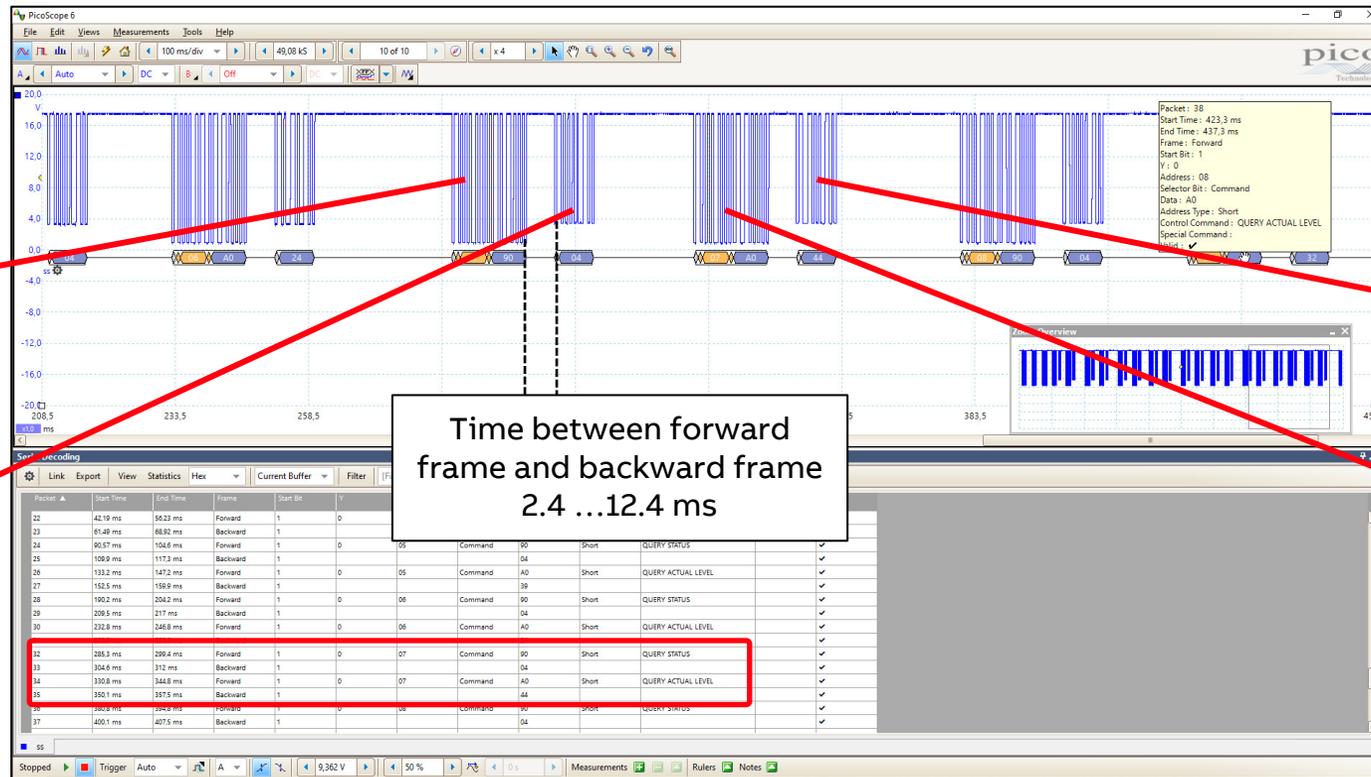
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1

Command to address 07 with data 90 → query status

2

Answer with data 04 → Bit 2 = "1": Lamp on



Time between forward frame and backward frame 2.4 ...12.4 ms

4

Answer with data 44

3

Command to address 07 with data A0 → query actual level

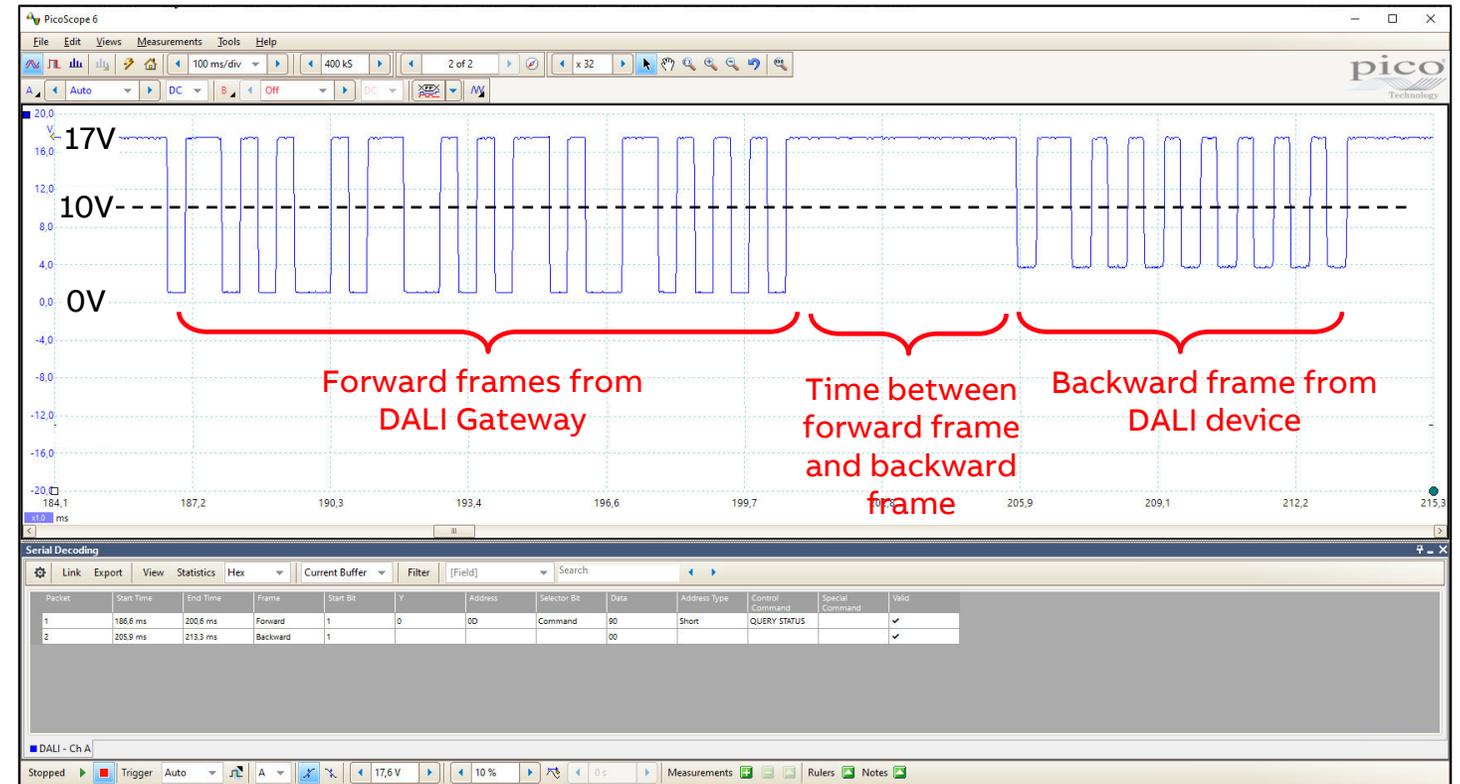
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### Diagnostic with an Oscilloscope

#### DALI telegram traffic

- Typical communication
  - Forward frames sent by the DALI Gateway to the DALI devices
  - Backward frames are sent back as a response from the DALI devices to the DALI Gateway
  - The voltage level is pulled below 10V
- In the event of communication problems, the following can be checked:
  - Are there overlaid backward frames?
  - Does the DALI device pull the voltage level below 10 volts in its response?
  - Does the DALI device send the response within the specified time?



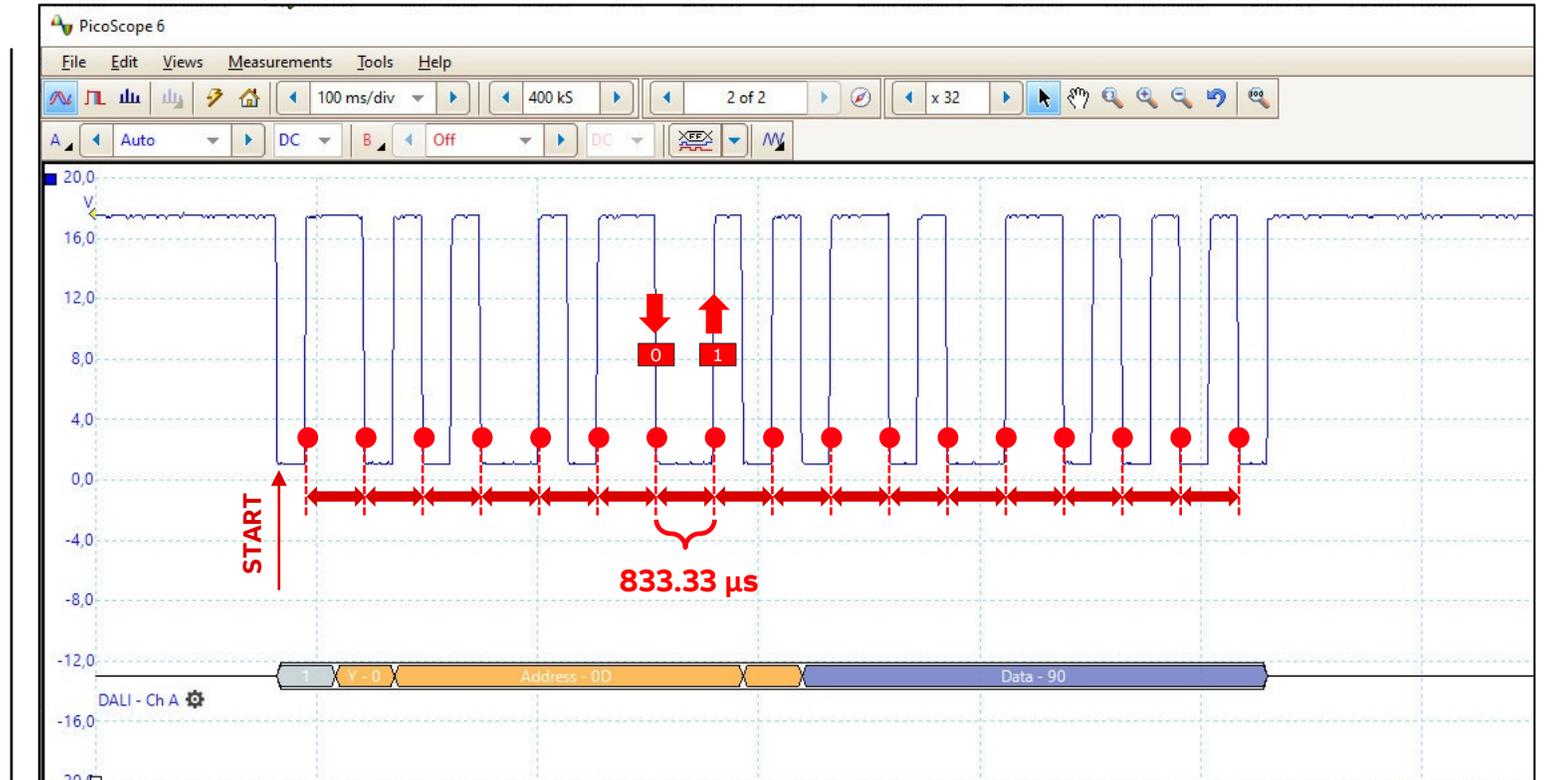
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### Diagnostic with an Oscilloscope

#### DALI telegram traffic

- The bits are bi-phased encoded:
  - Logical 1: Rising edge
  - Logical 0: Falling edge
- Nominal DALI data rate of 1,200 bit per second  
→ one bit time is 833.33  $\mu$ s



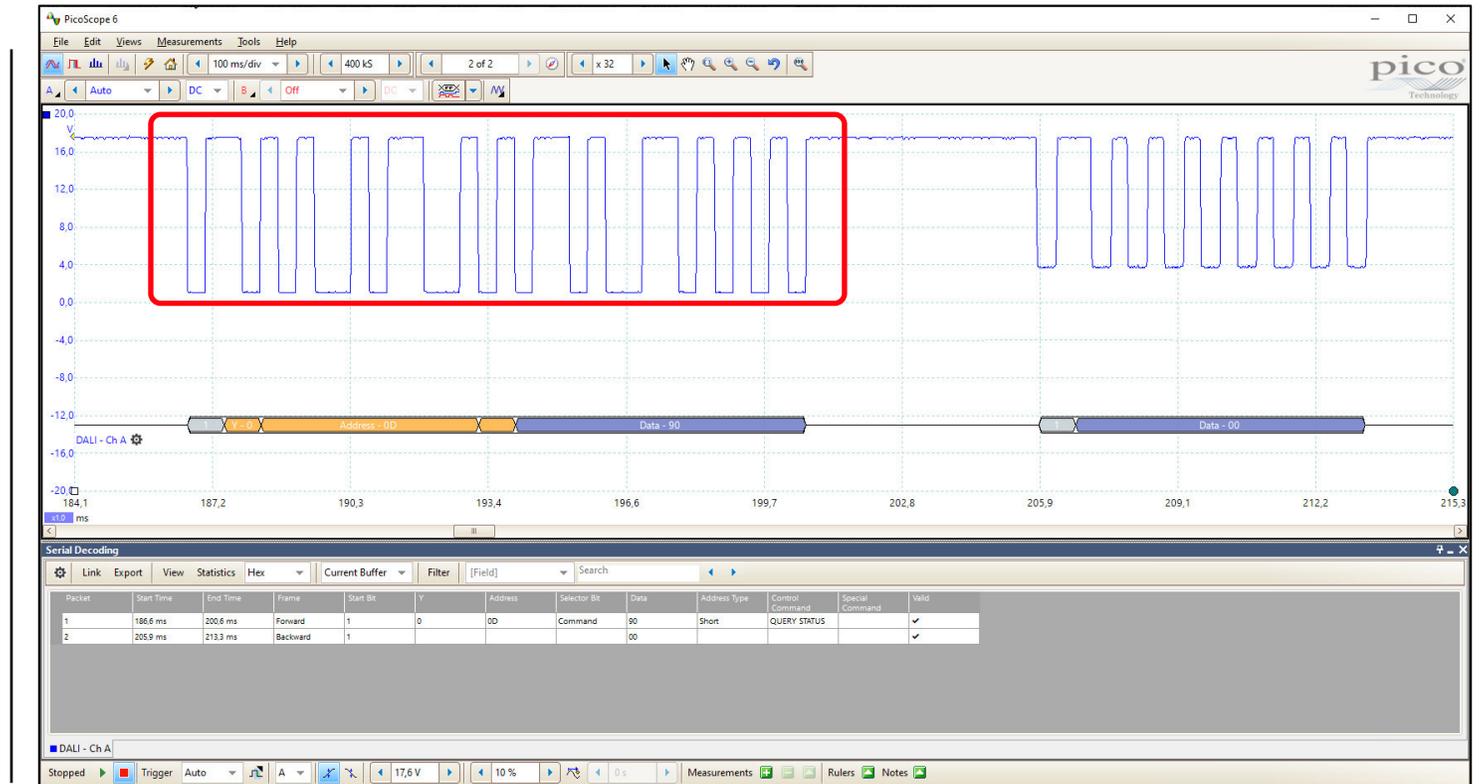
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#### Forward frames

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- They have one start bit (A), eight address bits (address byte) and eight data bits (data byte)
- More details: IEC 62386 Part 102: “General requirements – Control gear”



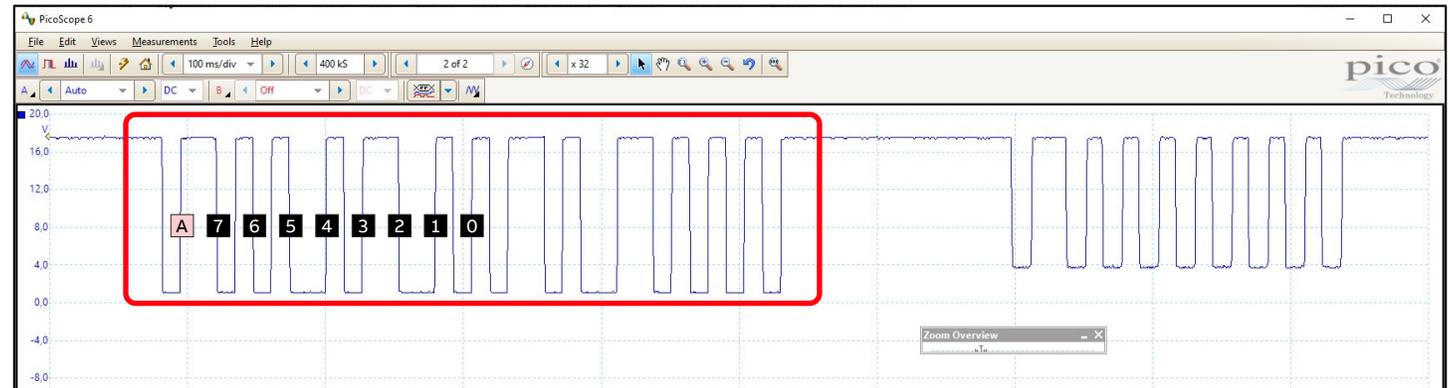
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Encoding of address byte

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	
0	64 short addresses						S	Short addressing
1	0	0	16 group addresses				S	Group addressing
1	1	1	1	1	1	0	S	Broadcast unaddressed
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	S	Broadcast addressed

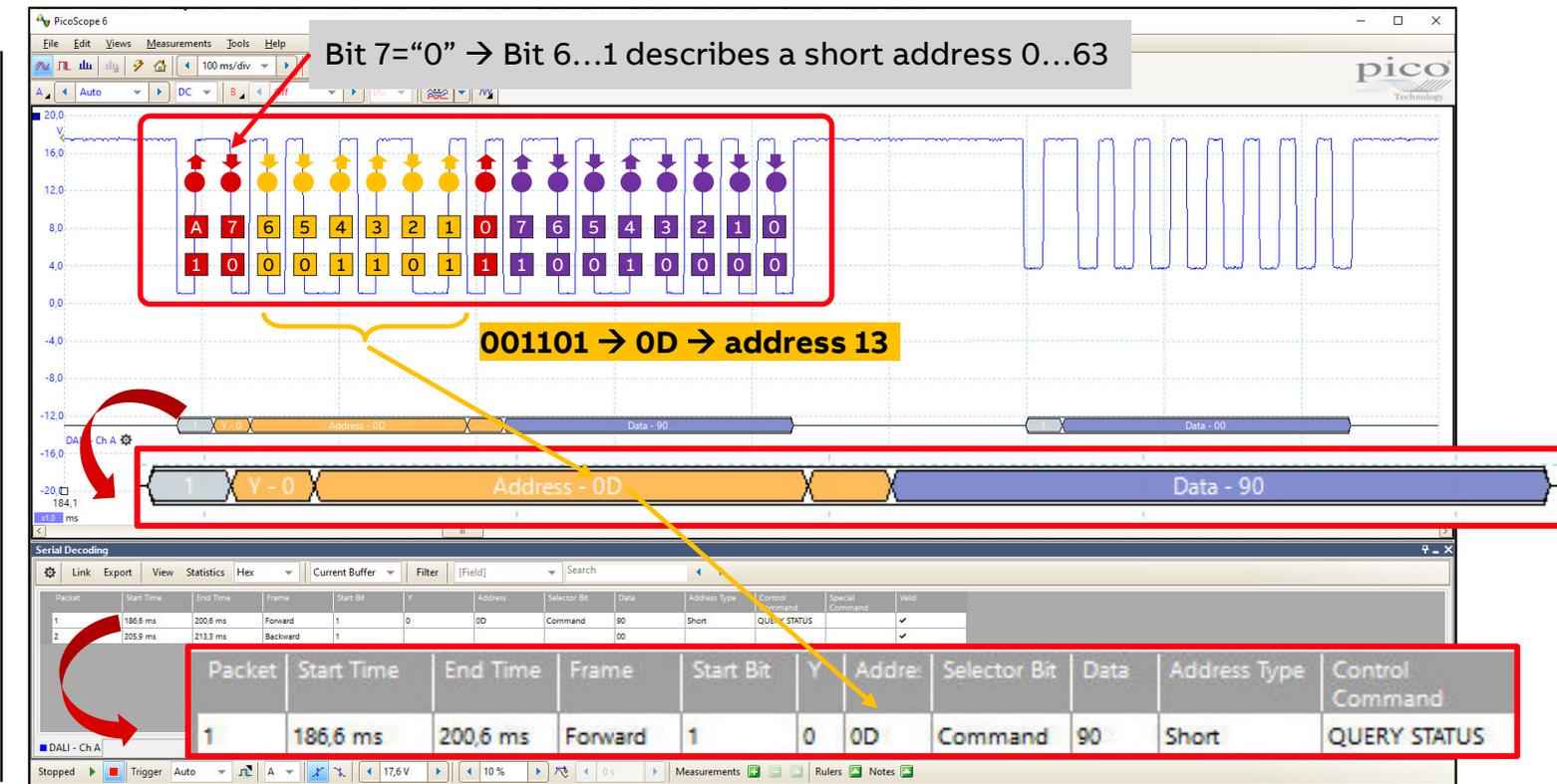
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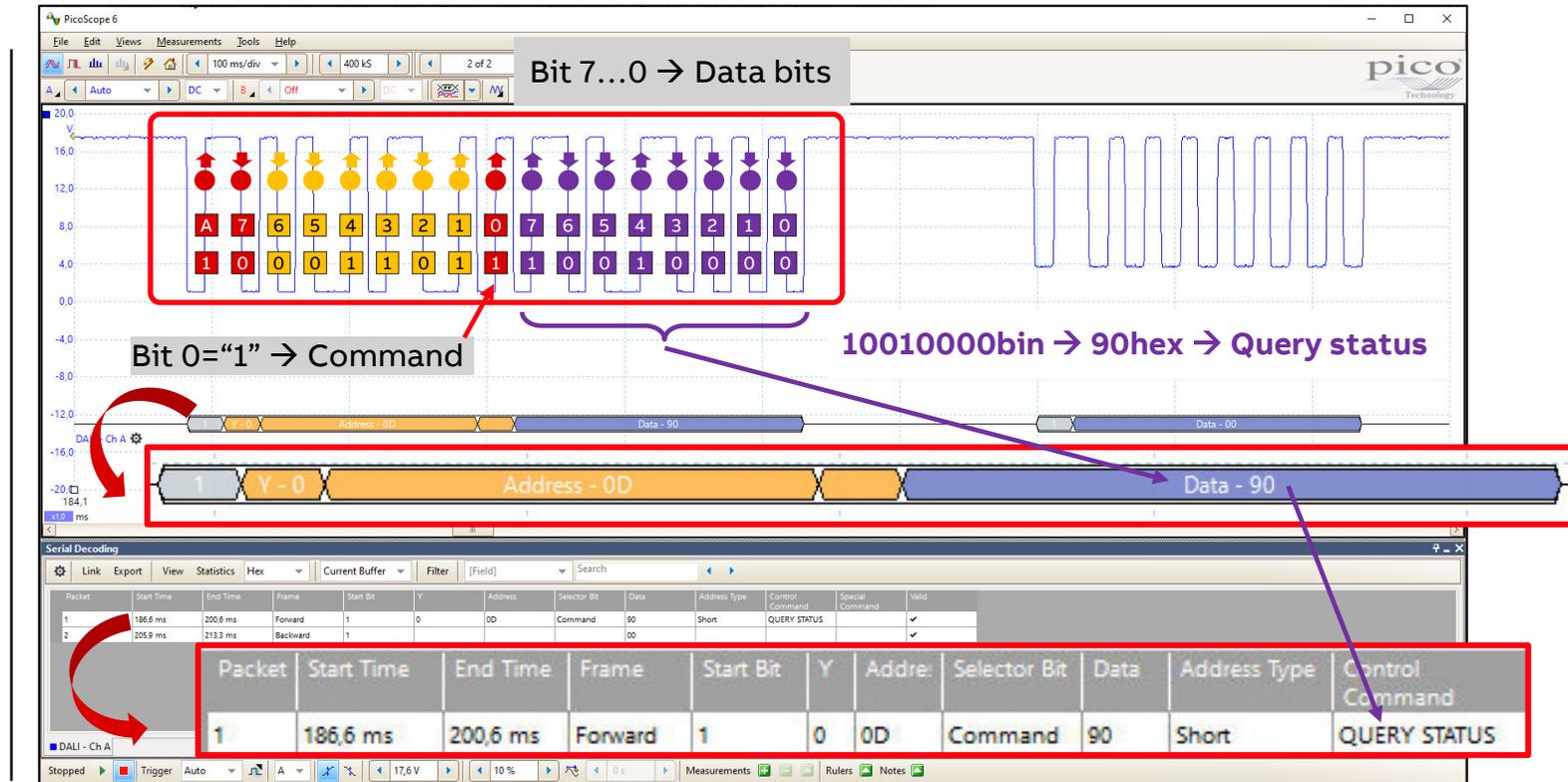
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  - Direct arc power command (DAPC), the requested light output (0...100%)
  - Standard commands, e.g. query lamp failure (92hex), query missing short address (96hex), query status (90hex), query device type (99hex), query max level (A1hex), ...



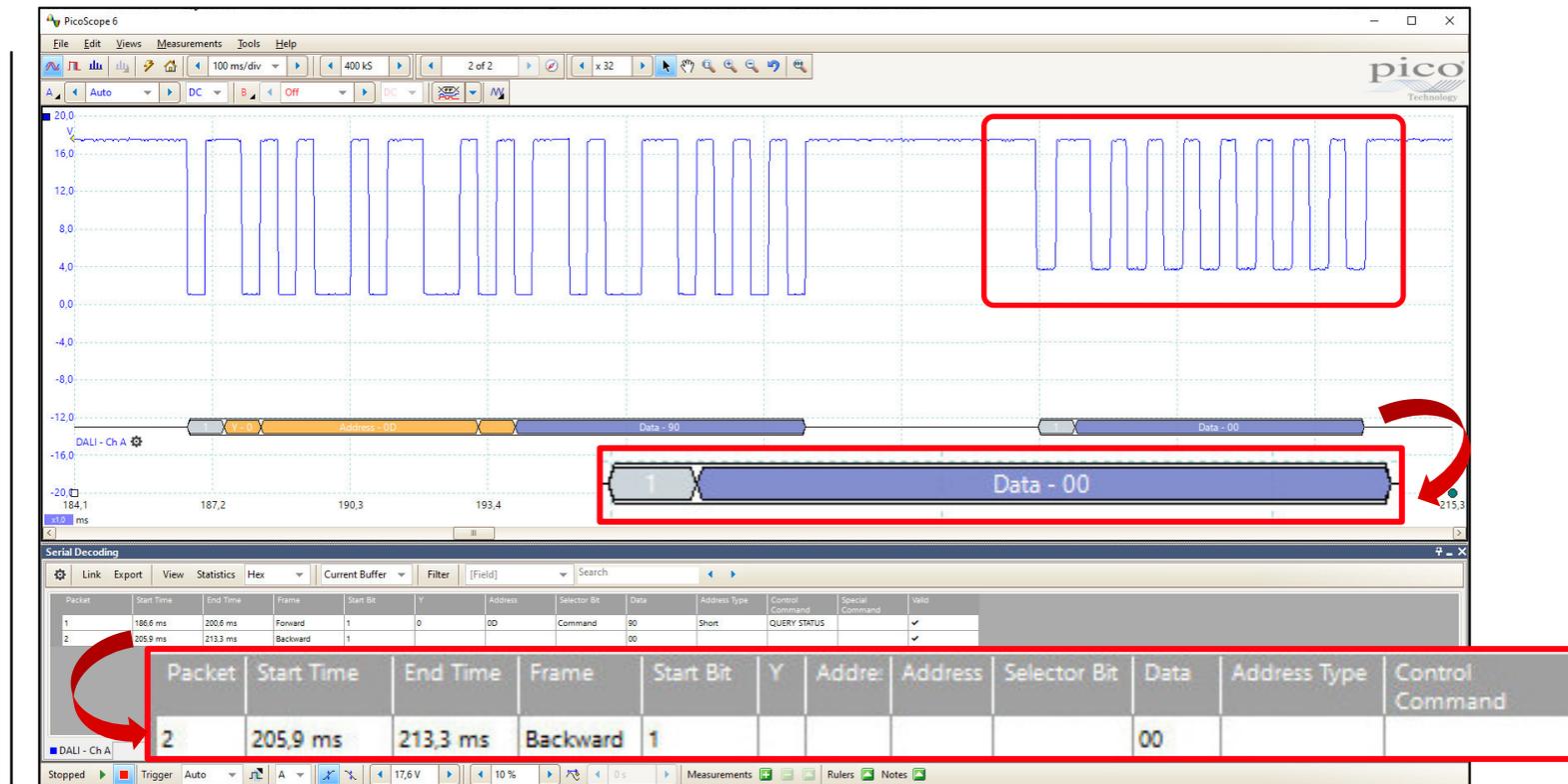
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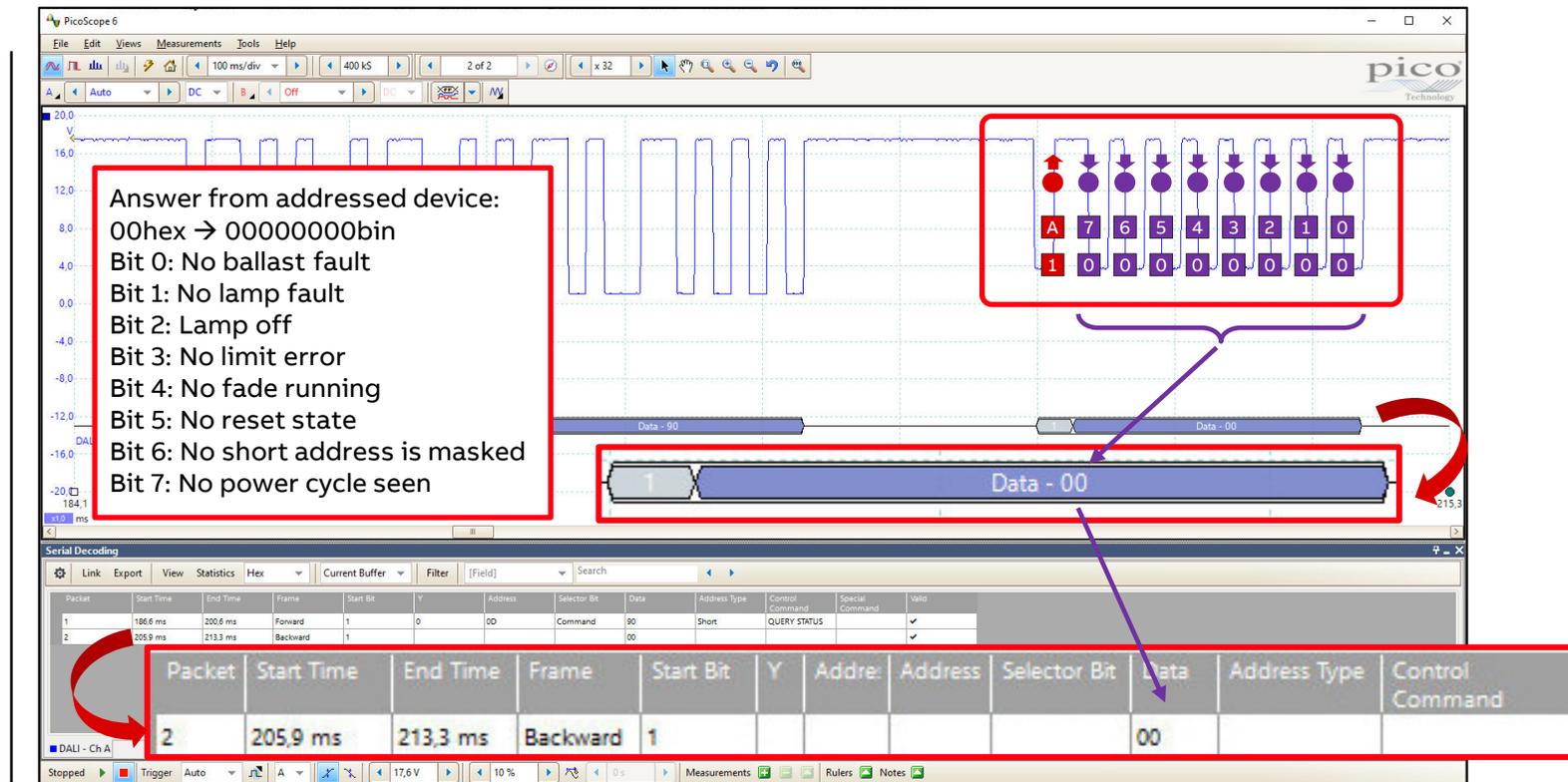
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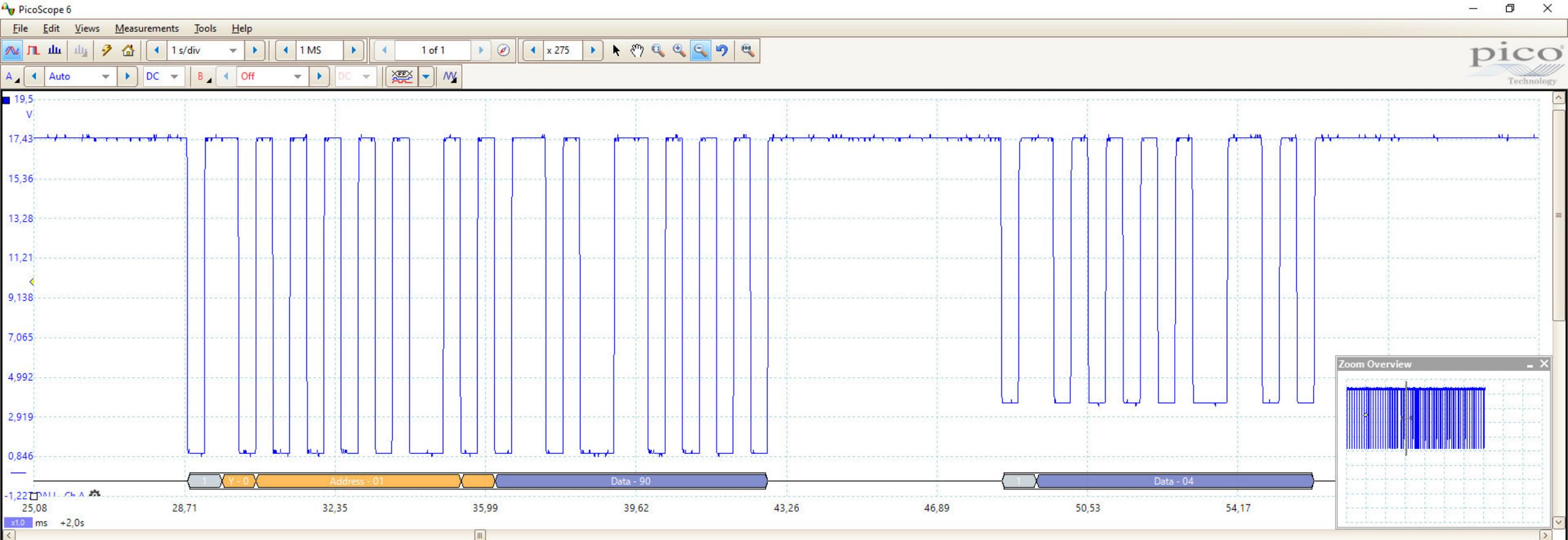
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- Example:  
The addressed DALI device “13” returns the queried property value (command “Query status 90hex”) in a backward frame with a status byte “00hex”





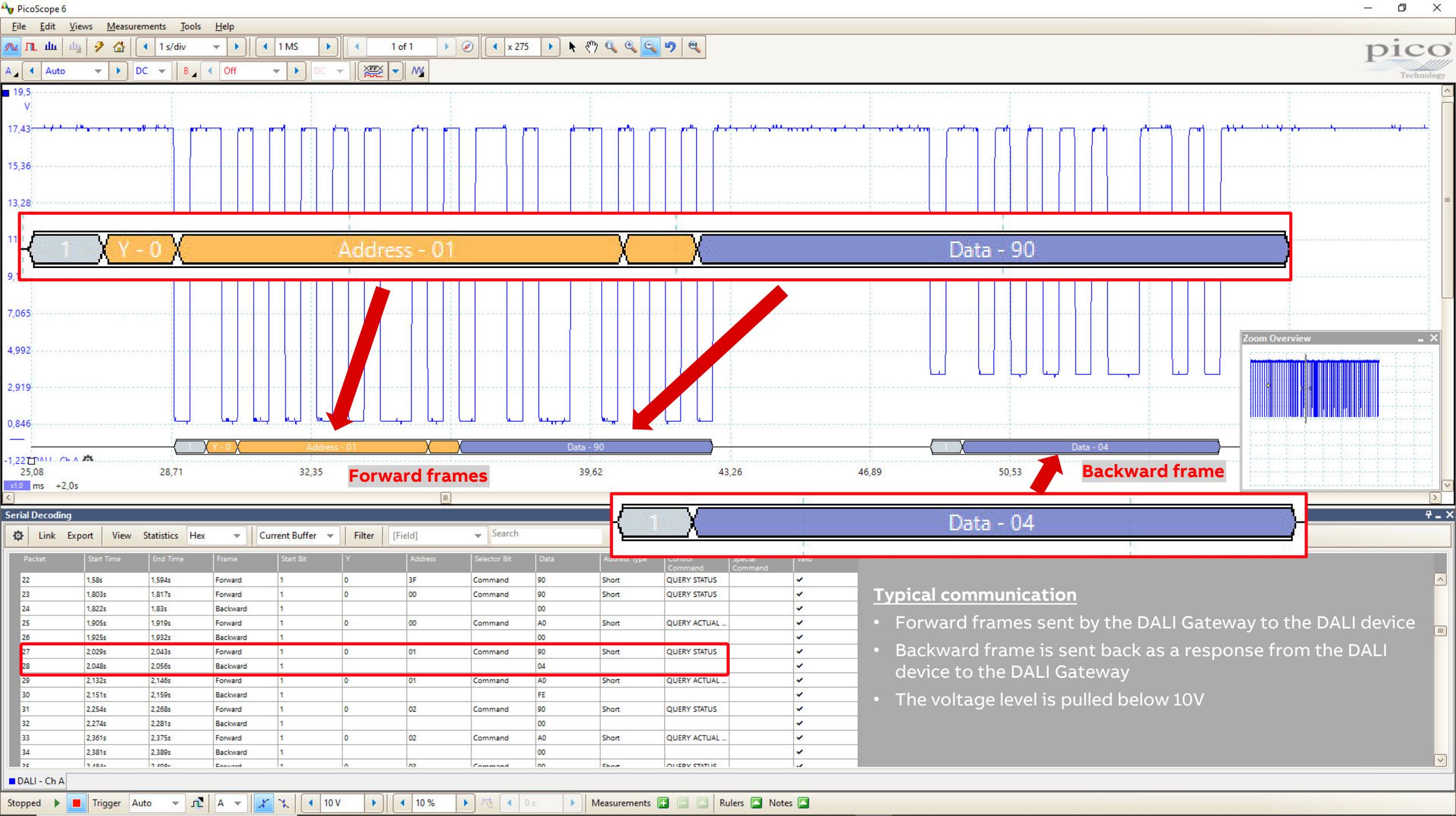
Serial Decoding

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Packet	Start Time	End Time	Frame	Start Bit	Y	Address	Selector Bit	Data	Address Type	Control Command	Special Command	Valid
22	1.58s	1.594s	Forward	1	0	3F	Command	90	Short	QUERY STATUS		✓
23	1.803s	1.817s	Forward	1	0	00	Command	90	Short	QUERY STATUS		✓
24	1.822s	1.83s	Backward	1				00				✓
25	1.905s	1.919s	Forward	1	0	00	Command	A0	Short	QUERY ACTUAL ...		✓
26	1.925s	1.932s	Backward	1				00				✓
27	2.029s	2.043s	Forward	1	0	01	Command	90	Short	QUERY STATUS		✓
28	2.048s	2.056s	Backward	1				04				✓
29	2.132s	2.146s	Forward	1	0	01	Command	A0	Short	QUERY ACTUAL ...		✓
30	2.151s	2.159s	Backward	1				FE				✓
31	2.254s	2.268s	Forward	1	0	02	Command	90	Short	QUERY STATUS		✓
32	2.274s	2.281s	Backward	1				00				✓
33	2.361s	2.375s	Forward	1	0	02	Command	A0	Short	QUERY ACTUAL ...		✓
34	2.381s	2.389s	Backward	1				00				✓
35	2.484s	2.492s	Forward	1	0	02	Command	90	Short	QUERY STATUS		✓

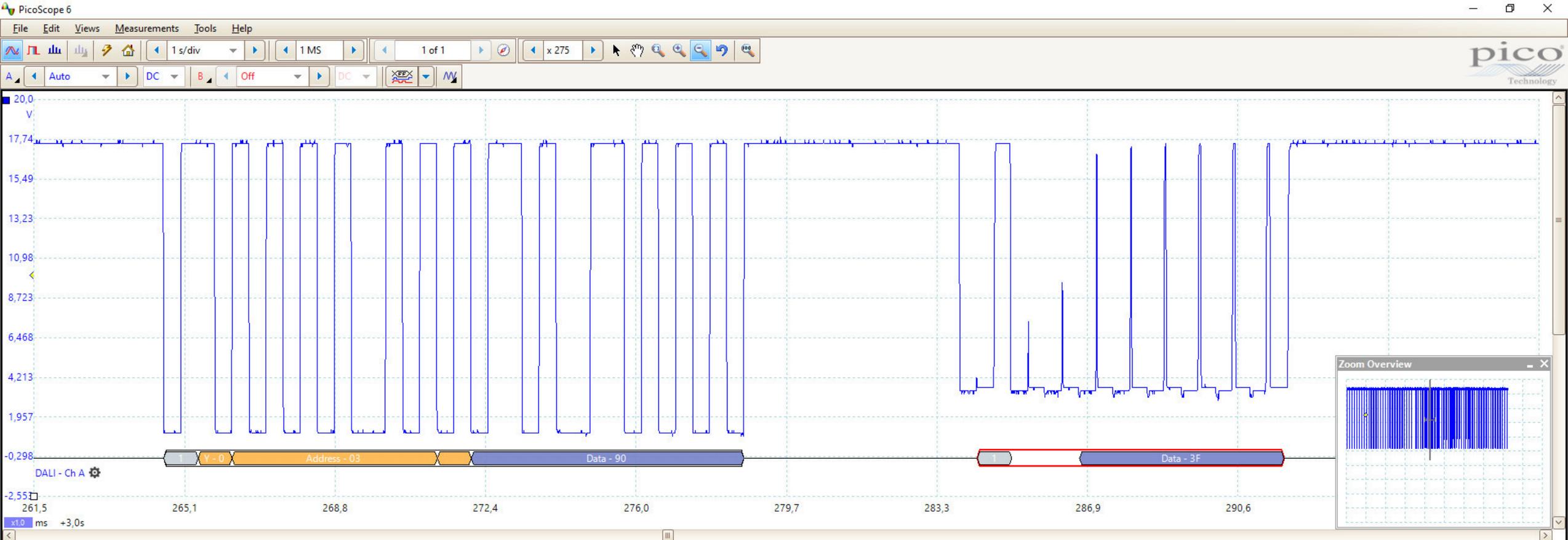
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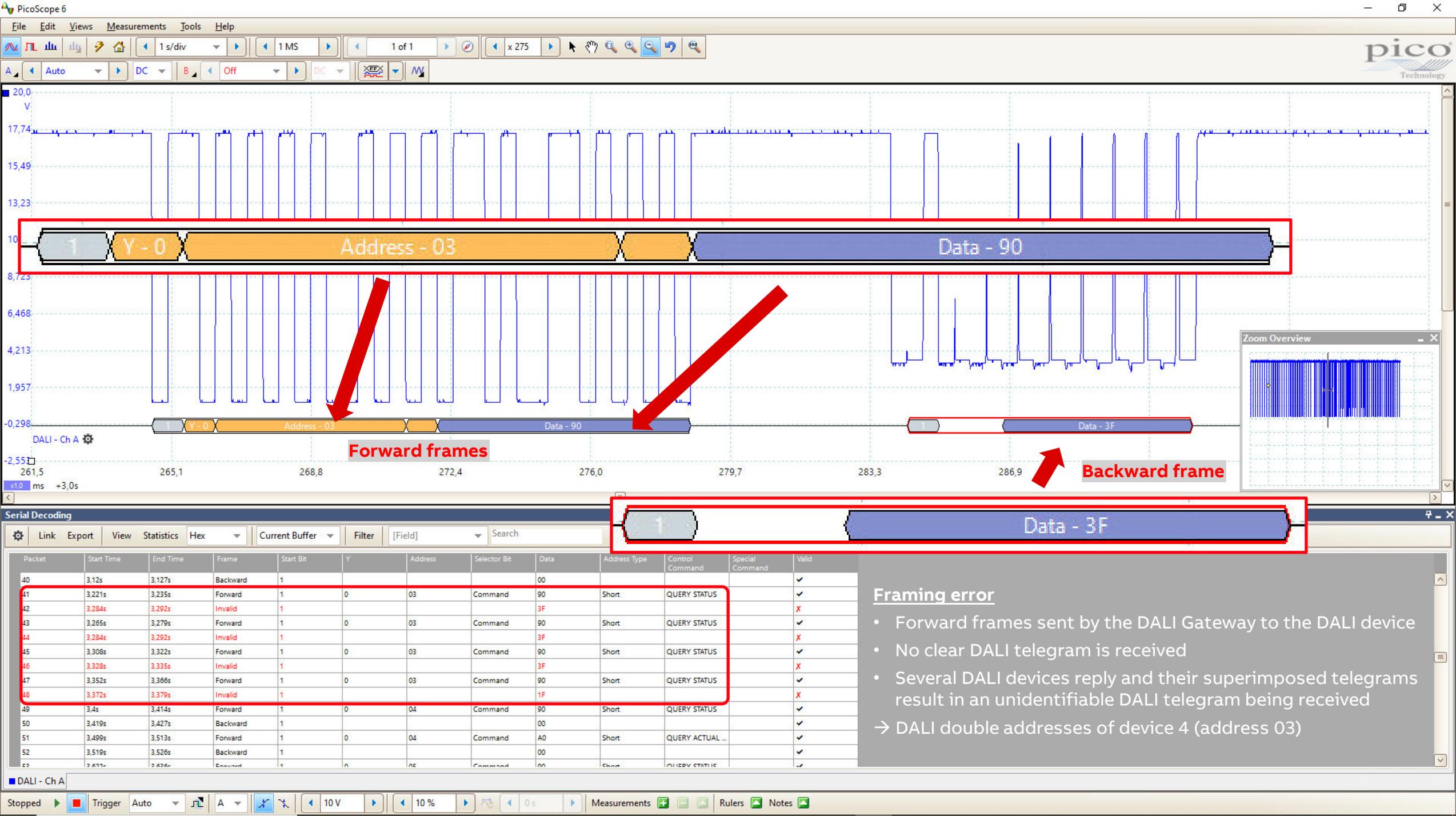
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### Training content

- This training mainly relates to the DALI basics and properties
- Extensive training content is available online for the DALI Gateway and ABB i-bus® Tool, e.g. emergency lighting, constant light control, human centric lighting, Dim2Warm, RGBW/HSVW, sequencer, load management, operating duration, standby switch-off, partial failure, ...
- Slides, tutorials and video recordings of webinars, online and practical learning sessions
  - [Training & Qualification Database](#)
  - YouTube, Channel “ABB Home and Building Automation”  
<https://www.youtube.com/user/ABBibusKNX>
- Function descriptions, application guides, video tutorials, step-by-step guides:
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### DALI Gateways Replacing a DALI Gateway

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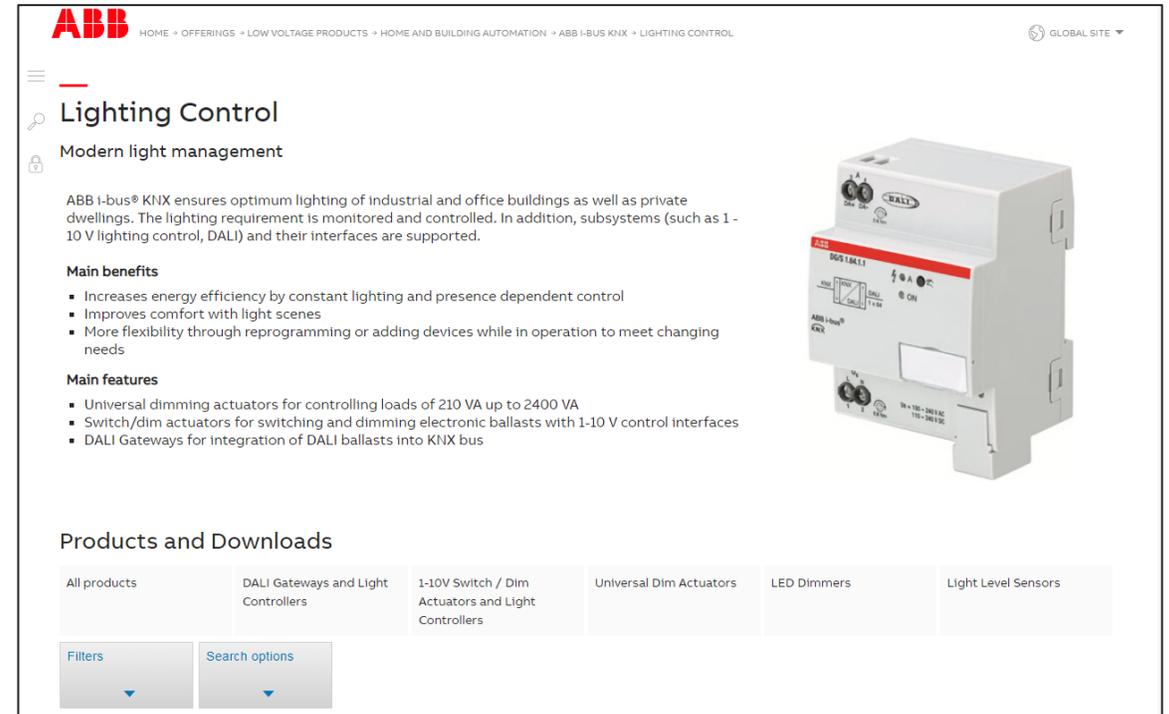
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ABB i-bus® KNX ensures optimum lighting of industrial and office buildings as well as private dwellings. The lighting requirement is monitored and controlled. In addition, subsystems (such as 1-10 V lighting control, DALI) and their interfaces are supported.

**Main benefits**

- Increases energy efficiency by constant lighting and presence dependent control
- Improves comfort with light scenes
- More flexibility through reprogramming or adding devices while in operation to meet changing needs

**Main features**

- Universal dimming actuators for controlling loads of 210 VA up to 2400 VA
- Switch/dim actuators for switching and dimming electronic ballasts with 1-10 V control interfaces
- DALI Gateways for integration of DALI ballasts into KNX bus

**Products and Downloads**

All products	DALI Gateways and Light Controllers	1-10V Switch / Dim Actuators and Light Controllers	Universal Dim Actuators	LED Dimmers	Light Level Sensors
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### Software Repository

- Excel list in German and English
- Link to general product information
- Search for a KNX product and the corresponding software (firmware, ETS application) will be displayed
- Current firmware of Welcome IP and free@home devices
- A direct download of this software is possible via a link
- Historical ETS applications can also be downloaded (database for ETS App “Reconstruction Tool”)

- [www.abb.com/KNX](http://www.abb.com/KNX)
  - Additional materials
  - Downloads for KNX
  - Software Repository



NEW!!!

The screenshot shows the ABB Software Repository website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the ABB logo and the path 'HOME -> OFFERINGS -> LOW VOLTAGE'. Below this is the 'Software Repository' heading. A search box is visible with the text 'Product Search' and a dropdown menu for 'Search Criterion' set to 'DG/SL1'. A red arrow points to the 'Search' button. Below the search box, there is a 'Find a product' section with a 'Search' button and a red arrow pointing to it. To the right, there are links for 'Complete ETS Databases', 'ABB ETS5 Application Database', and 'Busch-Jaeger ETS5 Application Database'. Below this is a 'General Product Information' table with columns for Product ID, Product Type, Product Name, Device Type, History, and Website. A red box highlights the first row of this table. Below the product information table are two tables: 'Current Software Versions' and 'Obsolete Software Versions', both with columns for Software, Version, Application Name, Release Date, and Download. A red arrow points from the search box area down to the 'Current Software Versions' table.

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ETS4 / ETS5	1.1c	Dim Slave Light Scenes Dynamic if/1.1c	01.01.2014	<a href="#">Link</a>
Firmware	1.3	Software Tool	29.06.2009	<a href="#">Link</a>
I-bus® Tool	1.9.45.0	ABB I-bus® Tool	01.06.2021	<a href="#">Link</a>

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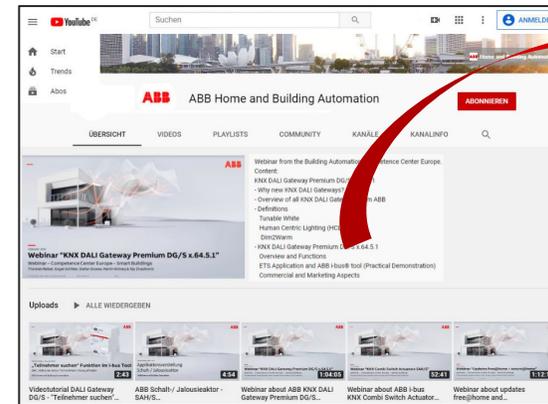
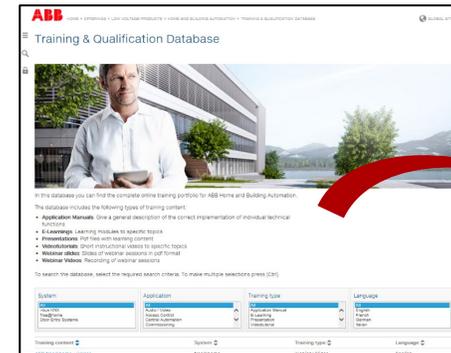
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  - [www.abb.com/knx](http://www.abb.com/knx) (→ Services & Tools → Training and Qualification → Training Database)

#### YouTube

- Channel “ABB Home and Building Automation”
  - <https://www.youtube.com/user/ABBibusKNX>



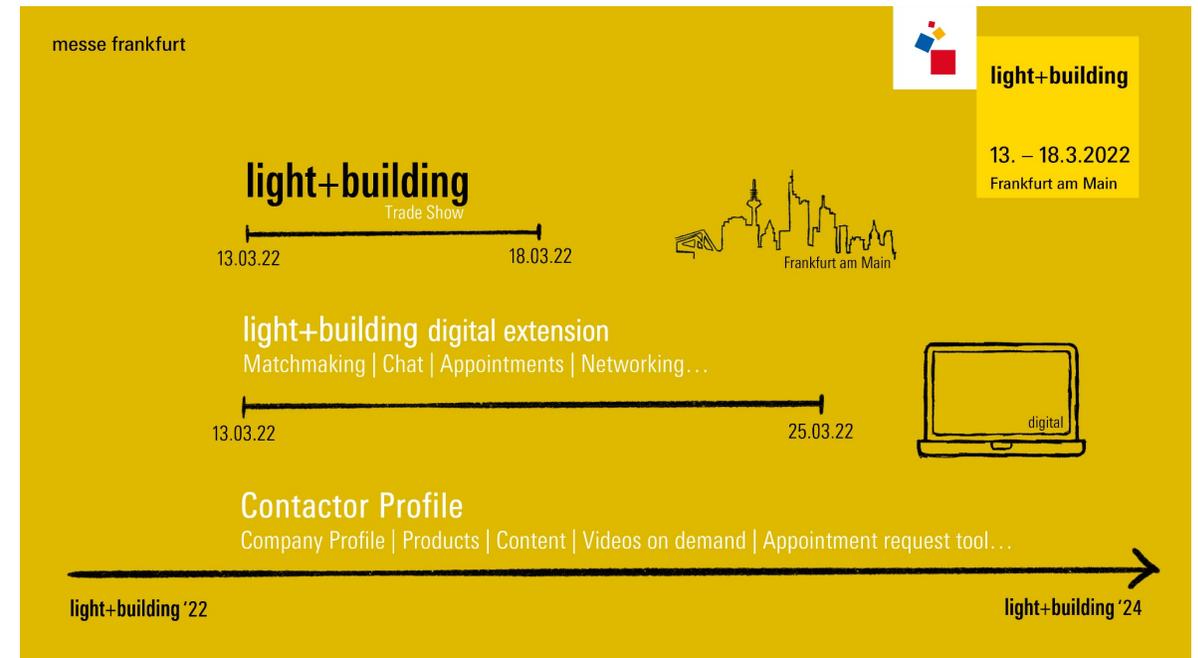
# KNX DALI Gateways – Practical knowledge about DALI – Part 2

## Online Learning Session

### Light + Building will take place in March 2022

#### Onsite + digital: here we go

- At Light+Building the industry presents every two years the latest products for the fields of lighting, electrical engineering and home and building automation
- Light+Building opens in Frankfurt from 13<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022
- The new Light+Building digital additions functions will also be available at the same time and beyond
- We plan our participation in general as a hybrid event, so that customers can join remotely
- You will find ABB and BUSCH-JAEGER booth in the NEW hall 12.0
- More information to come before the end of this year



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