

KNX

BACnet

MQTT

Modbus

OPC (DA/UA)

SNMP

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DALI EnOcean M-Bus DMX

Proprietary solutions

All-in-one

Building management software for medium-sized and enterprise building automation projects



Digital Addressable Lighting Interface (DALI)



Application specific protocol for lighting systems

Advanced features for lighting control

- Tests of lamps and ballasts
- Special functionality for emergency lighting

Pure field level protocol

- Mostly used in combination with system standards like KNX
- No standardized IP interface



KNX is the most common way to integrate DALI

Some KNX/DALI gateways have multiple channels

Up to 64 DALI devices can be connected to 1 channel

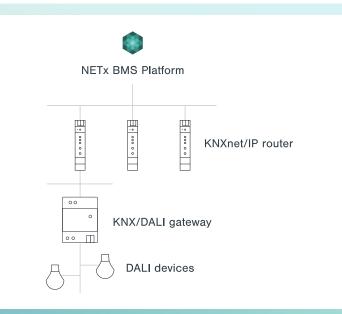
Using KNX, DALI can be connected to Building Management Systems (BMS)

Visualization, monitoring, maintenance of lighting control

KNX/DALI gateways are used to interconnect the DALI bus to KNX

DALI data and information are provided as KNX group objects

- Objects for lighting control (on/off, dimming, status, ...)
- Objects for maintenance (trigger tests, providing test results, ...)
- Objects for emergency lighting control (emergency status, emergency tests, ...)



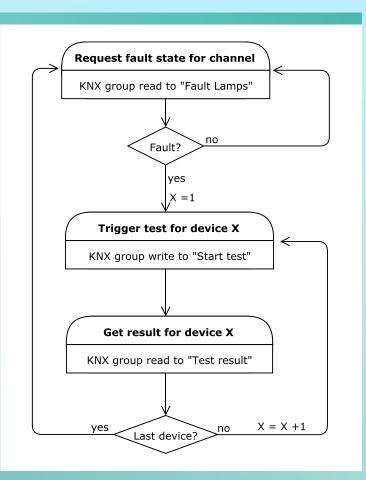
KNX/DALI gateways: challenges - KNX group object mapping for DALI



High number of functions and high number of devices per gateway would result in a high number of KNX group objects at the gateway To avoid this, only parts of the functionality are available for each DALI device

- Group objects per DALI device: on/off, dimming, status, ...
- Group object per channel: trigger function tests, test results, ...

Stateful communication is required to get all information per device, e.g. DALI tests



KNX/DALI gateways: challenges - KNX data point types (DPTs) for DALI



Standard functions are available as standard DPTs (e.g. dimming)

Many KNX/DALI gateways use even non standardized DPTs

For enhanced functions like testing, complex DPTs are used, e.g. DPT_DALI_Control_Gear_Diagnostics



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KNX/DALI gateways: challenges - manufacturer-specific implementation



There are many different manufactures for KNX/DALI gateways

Only standard functionality is common to all DALI gateways (on/off, dimming, ...)

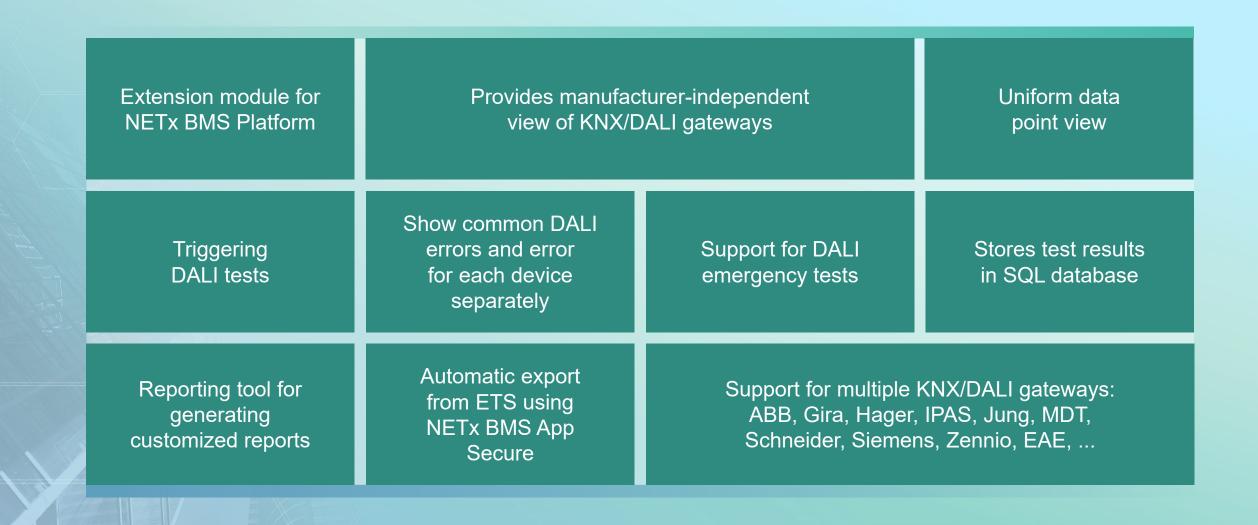
Advanced features like DALI testing are manufacturer-specific

- Manufacturer-specific non standardized DPTs
- Manufacturer-specific, stateful communication logics are required

Time-consuming and complex task for integrators and electrical engineers

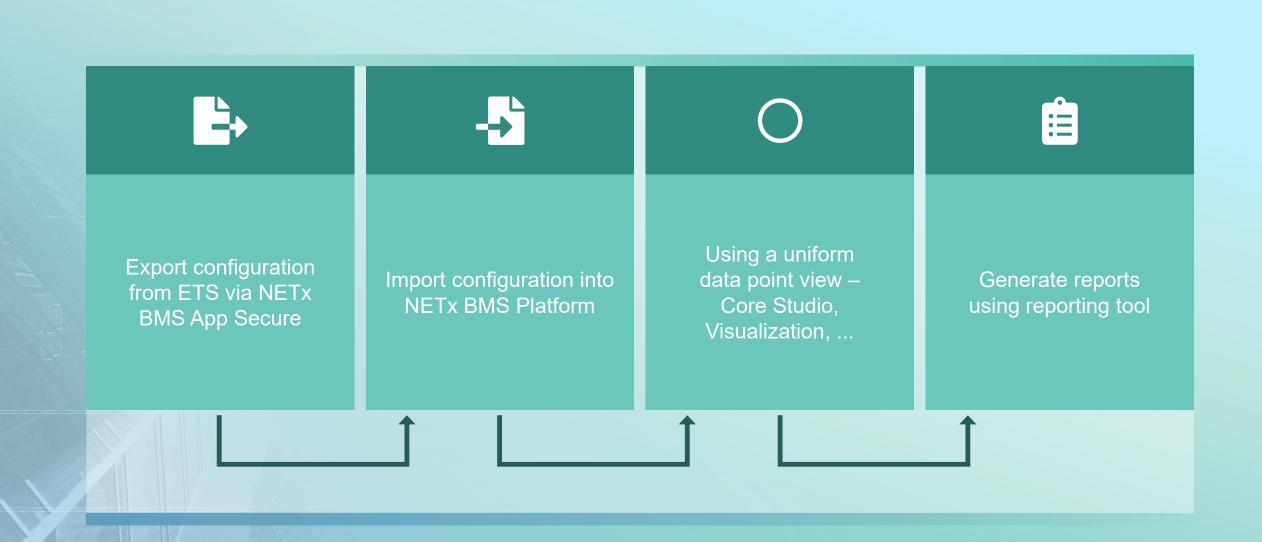
LaMPS Module for NETx BMS Platform





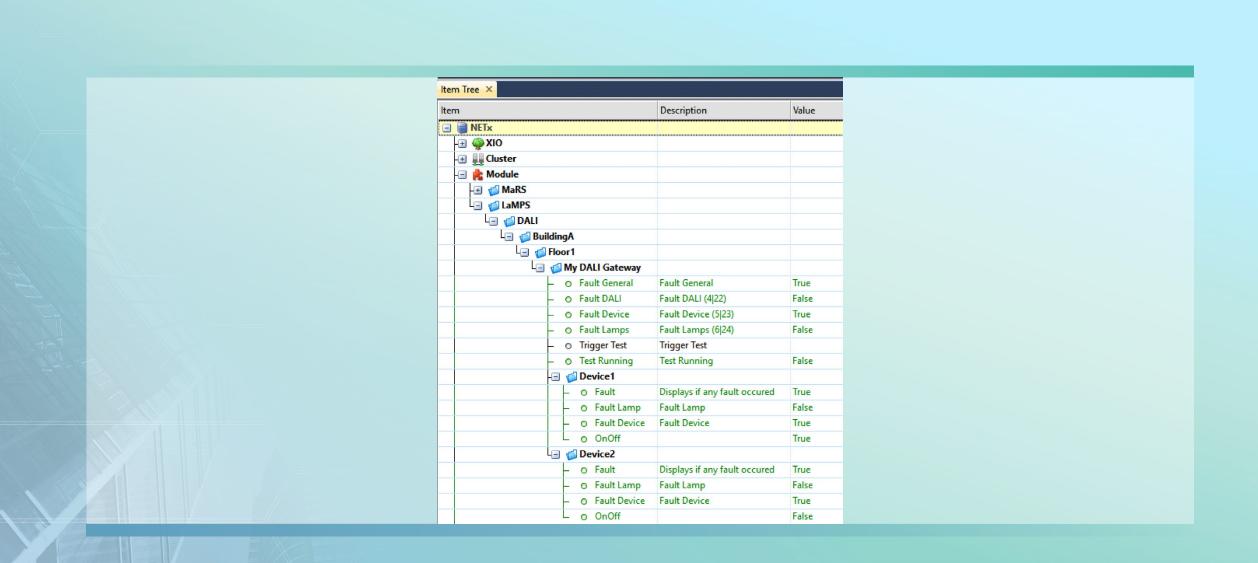
LaMPS Module: workflow





LaMPS Module: uniform data point view





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