

### **Designers Lighting Forum**

Well Hello, DALI!

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# Learning Objectives

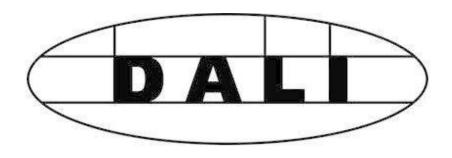
At the end of this course, participants will be able to:

- 1. Gain a strong knowledge of the core components in a successful DALI installation
- 2. Design and/or install a DALI lighting control system, understanding the requirements and constraints of the installation
- 3. Discuss programming requirements of a DALI system to make the system functional
- 4. Understand the current market research of available components used in DALI North American installations



### What is DALI?

- Digital Addressable Lighting Interface
- IEC 62386 Technical Standards
- Digital Illumination Interface Alliance (DiiA)
- Allows equipment from different manufactures to be connected together in a single control system







### Terms

- Bus
  - A pair of wires that carries digital control signals from input devices (such as sensors), to an application controller, or controller to power device (drivers)
- Subnet (Formerly Loop)
  - Controller
  - Parts



#### **IEC 62386 – Overseen by Digital Illumination Interface Alliance (DiiA)**

#### **101:** General Requirements – System Components

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102: General Requirements – Control Gear

**103: General Requirements – Control Devices** 

104: General Requirements – Wireless and alternative wired systems

105: General Requirements – Firmware Transfer

150: General Requirements – AUX Power Supply

#### 2xx: Particular requirements for control gear

#### 3xx: Particular requirements for control/input devices

#### **Published:**

201: Fluorescent lamps

202: Self-contained emergency lighting

203: Discharge lamps (excluding fluorescent

lamps)

204: Low voltage halogen lamps

205: Supply voltage controller for

incandescent lamps

206: Conversion to DC (0/1-10V)

207: LED Modules

208: Switching function

209: Colour control

#### **Published:**

216: Load referencing

217: Thermal gear protection

218: Dimming curve selection

220: Centrally-supplied emergency operation

221: Load Shedding

222: Thermal lamp protection

224: Integrated light source

250: Integrated Bus Power Supply

251: Luminaire Data (Memory Bank 1 Extension)

252: Energy Data

253: Diagnostics & Maintenance Data

#### **Published:**

301: Push buttons

302: Absolute input devices

303: Occupancy Sensors

304: Light sensors

305: Colour sensors

306: General-purpose sensors

332: Feedback

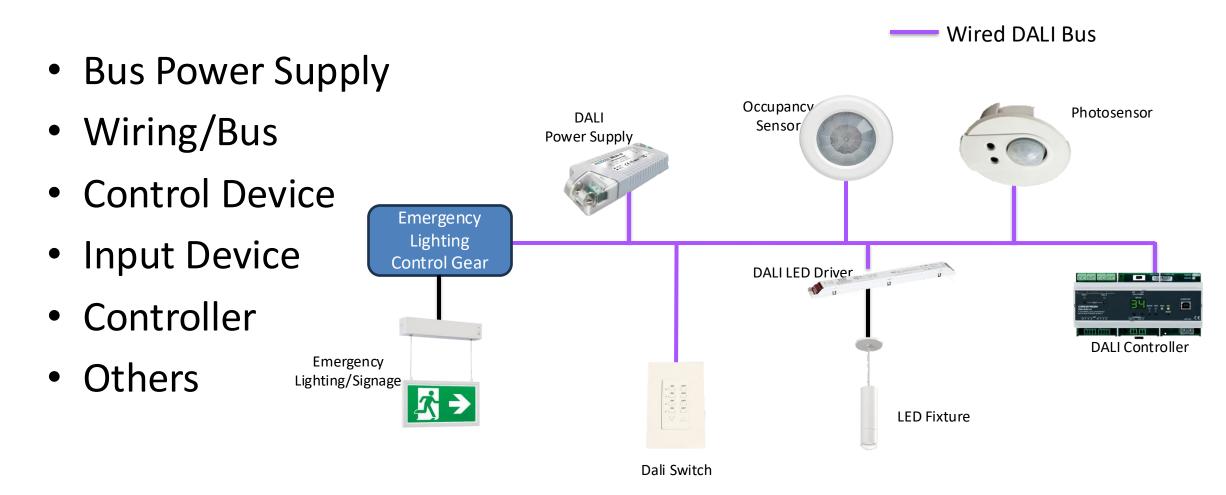
333: Manual Configuration

#### In Progress:

351: Luminaire-mounted Control Devices



# **DALI** Requirements





# **Bus Power Supply**

- Always required
- Maintains bus voltage
- 250mA
- 16VDC nominal
- Needed for each Subnet
  - Can't share



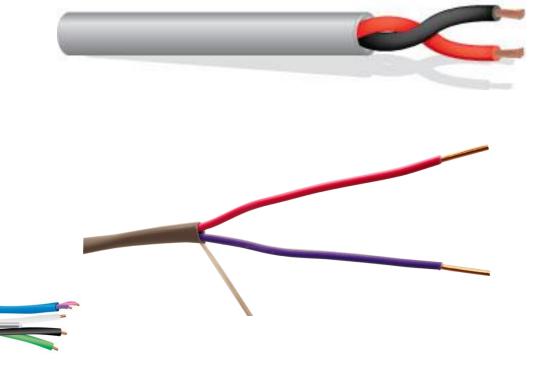






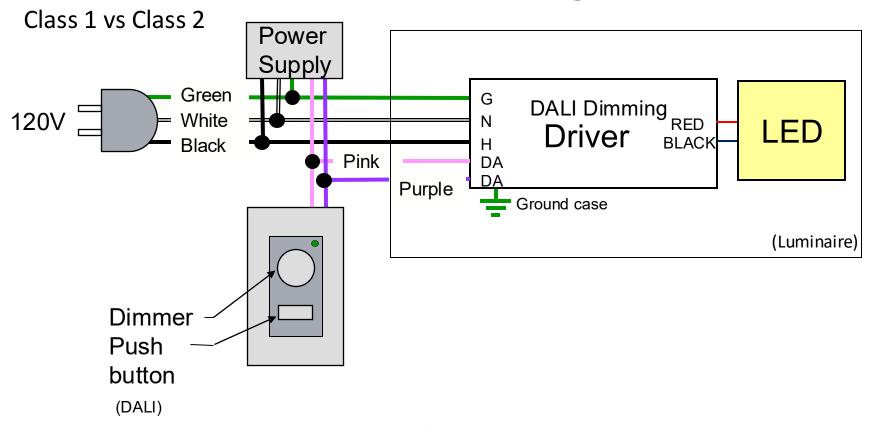
# Wiring/Bus

- 2 Conductors
  - 16ga Recommended
  - Twisted Pair Noise Reduction
- Distance limit 1,000'/300m
- Polarity
- Color Coding
  - NEC
  - NEMA





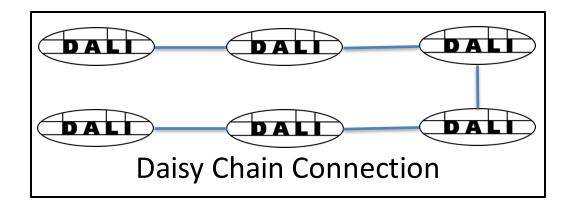
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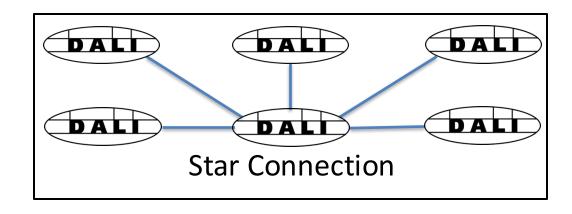


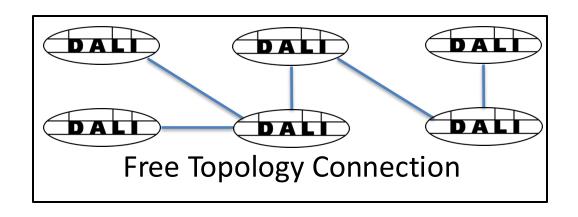
The DALI wiring may be Class 1 (in the conduit with the line-voltage conductors), or The DALI wiring may be Class 2 (NOT in the conduit with the line-voltage conductors).

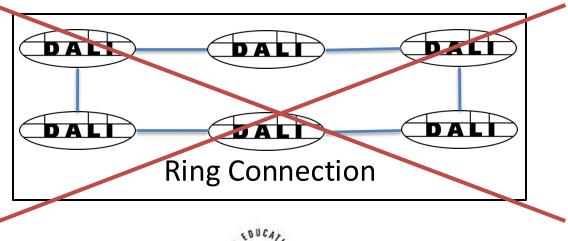


# **DALI Wiring Topology**











### Controller

- Receives 24-bit messages from control devices
  - Device on buss, or on manufacturer's control buss
- Sends 16-bit commands to control devices











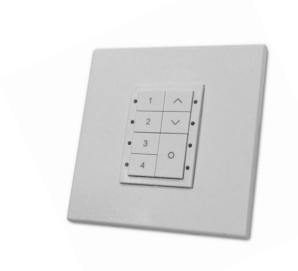














### Limitations

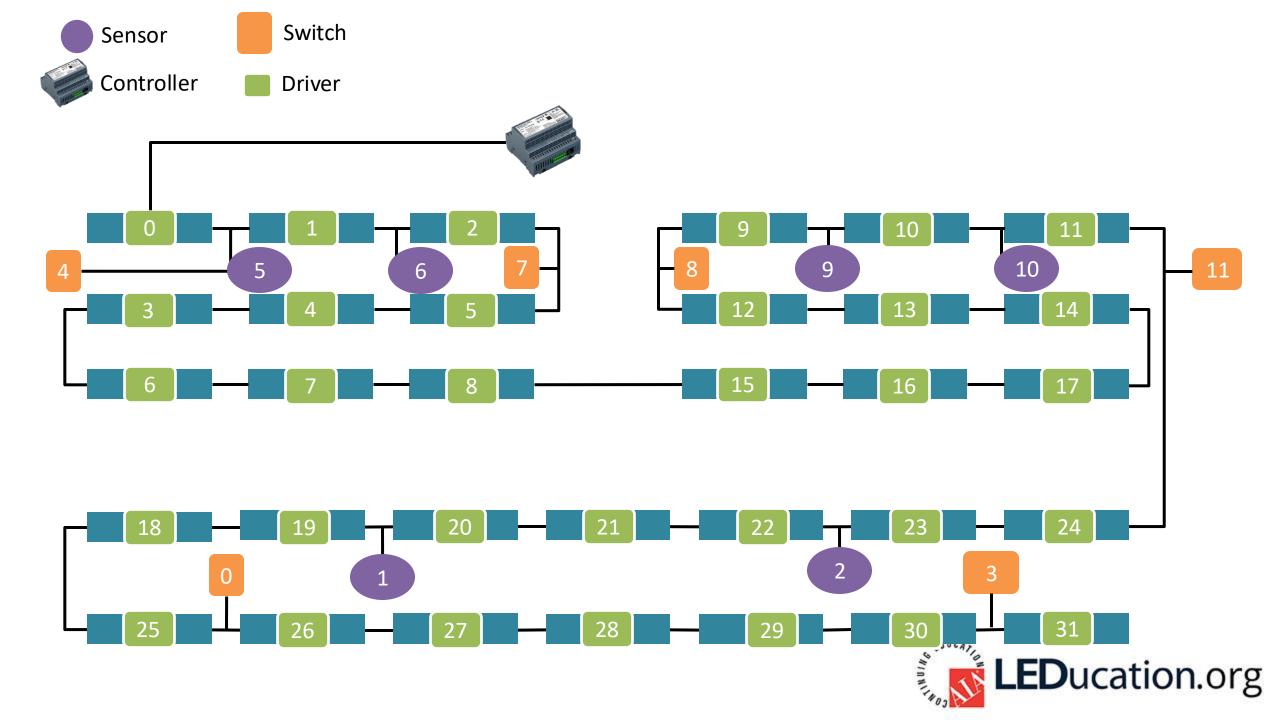
- Up to 64 control devices (ballasts/drivers) on a DALI subnet
- Up to 64 input devices (sensor/switch) on a DALI subnet (can be same subnet as above)
- Each control and each input device are addressed (0-63)
- Each control device may belong up to 16 Groups
- Each control device may have up to 16 Scenes
- There may be up to 254 commands
- Several subnets can be linked together via a DALI Gateway to create a DALI network of more than 64 control and/or input devices
- 300m Distance
- Unlimited Subnets



## **Zones and Groups**

- Groups allow multiple DALI Devices on the same line to be grouped together which allows the devices to perform an action together.
- Each DALI device can be assigned membership to a group or multiple groups.
- This grouping allows commands to be sent out in groups with all members of the group reacting to one individual group command.
- If a device is not part of the group it will ignore command.

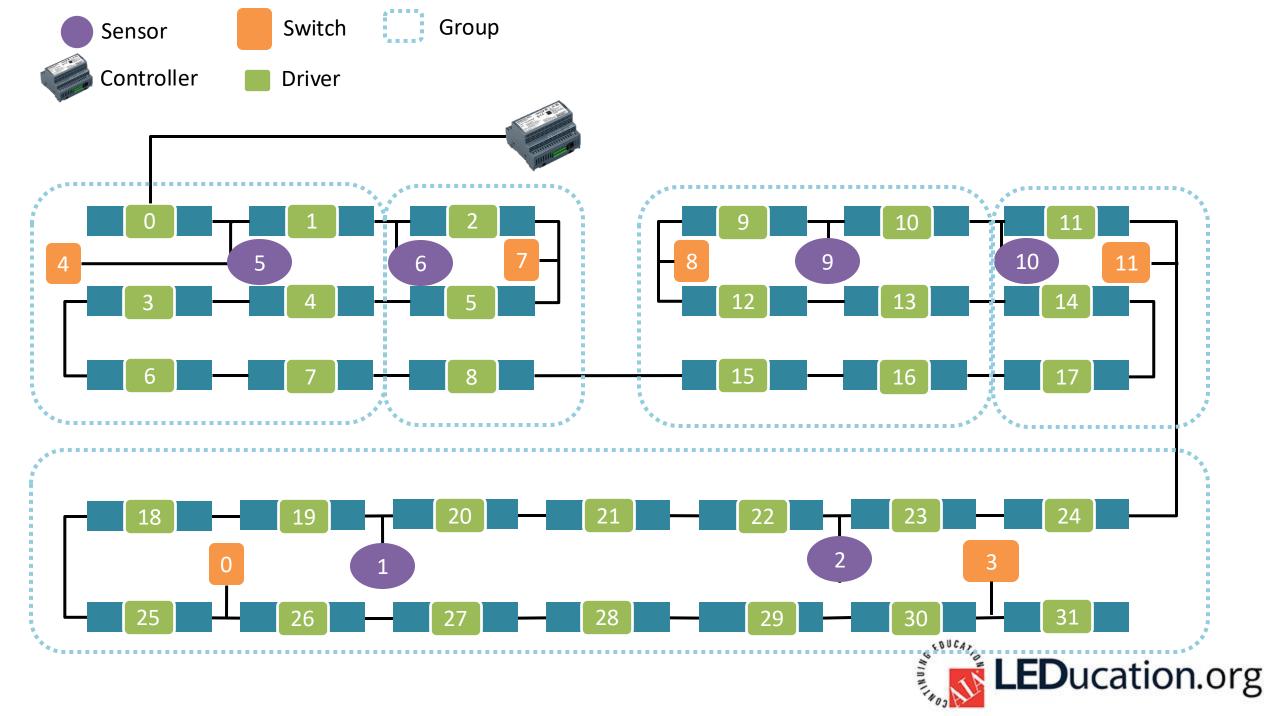


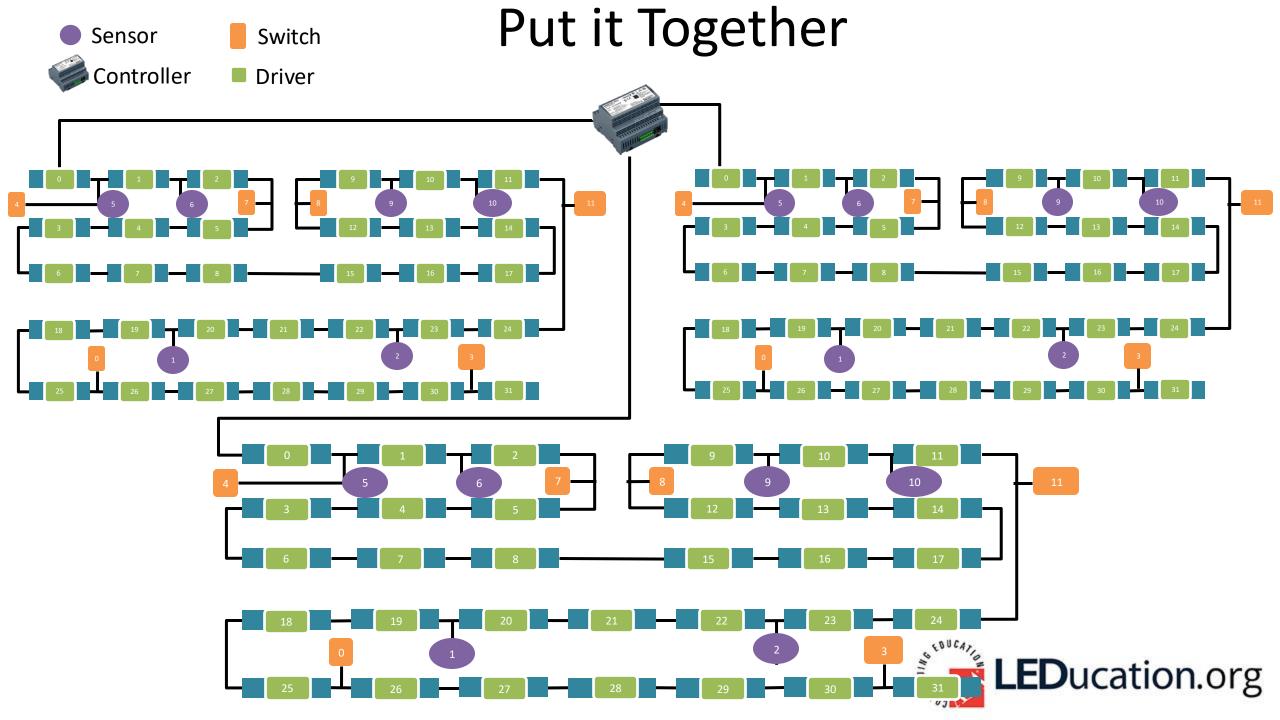


# Practical Design

- Begin with groups and scenes
- Proceed to your limits
- Add in subnets as you hit your limits
  - which means a bus power supply, wiring, etc.
  - Number of subnets by controllers vary, but you scale based on those specs

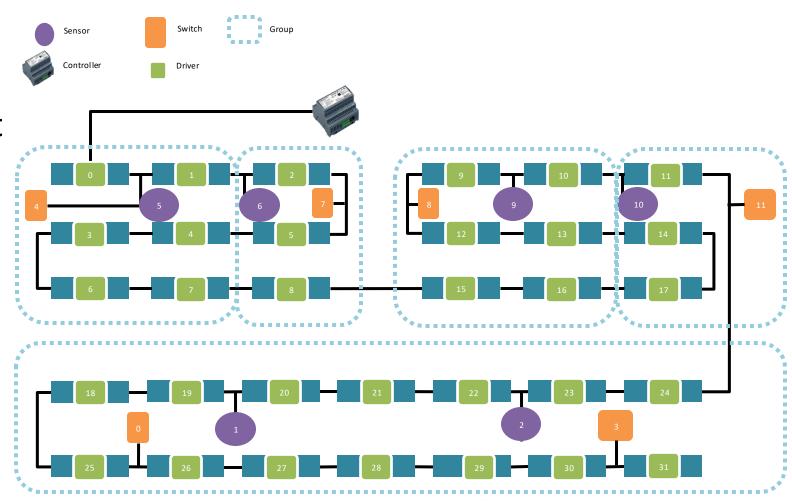






# Configure

- Essential Steps
  - Address Document
  - Groups
  - Presets





- Falls under Part 220: Centrally-supplied emergency operation
- Interruption of data
  - Failure of Normal Power Supply, and establish Emergency Power Supply
  - Collapse the Bus Voltage





#### NFPA 70 National Electrical Code

#### Article 700.24 Directly Controlled Emergency Luminaires

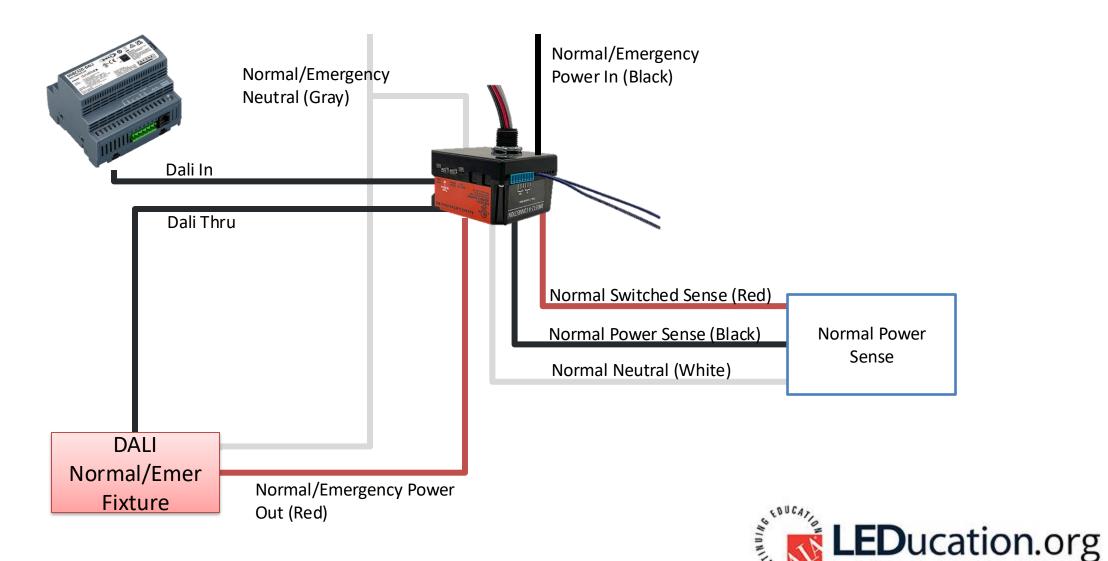
"Luminaires that are energized to the required emergency illumination level by disconnection of their control input by a listed emergency lighting control device shall not be required to be listed for use in emergency systems."











### Separation of Normal and Emergency

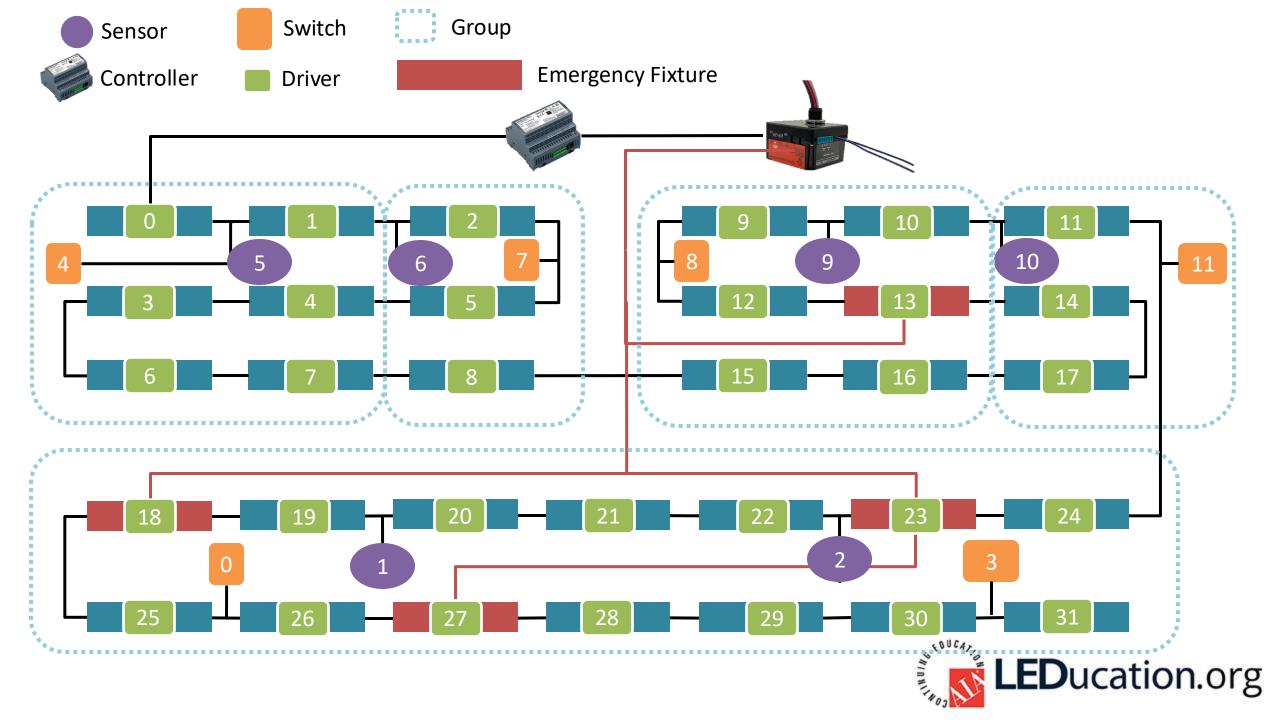
### Article 700.10 Wiring, Emergency System

"(B) Wiring from an emergency source or emergency source distribution overcurrent protection to emergency loads shall be kept entirely independent of all other wiring and equipment unless otherwise permitted in the following:"

# Article 700.11 Wiring, Class-2-Powered Emergency Lighting Systems

"(A) General. Line voltage supply wiring and installation of Class 2 emergency lighting control devices shall comply with 700.10"





# **Connecting Others**

- Control System
- Gateways



### Conclusion



- Follow the basic rules for success
- Highly scalable, easy to mix manufacturers, consistent results







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