

Nova73 MKII

Technical Manual

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1. Introduction

Welcome to the Nova73 MKII Technical Manual.

About this Manual

This document describes the installation, configuration and maintenance of the Nova73 MKII. The specification is valid for mc² Version 5.14.0.x.

For more on operation, please see the "mxGUI for Nova73 Manual". All Lawo manuals are available from the **Download-Center** at www.lawo.com (after **Login**).

Look out for the following which indicate:

Notes - points of clarification.

Tips - useful tips and short cuts.

WARNINGS: Alert you when an action should always be observed.

Utility Software

A number of utility applications are packaged with the software release for your product. These include **AdminHD** which can be used to edit the system configuration and for remote diagnostics.

In addition, the **mxGUI** installer is free to download from the Lawo website (after **Login**). Once installed, you can launch the following applications:

- mxGUI for offline setup or remote operation.
- CFCard Creator to create backup CF Cards for the control system and, in a console, the bay server(s).
- mxUpdater to update the software of the mc²/Nova control system, or backup and restore user data.

mxGUI is described in the "mxGUI for Nova73 Manual".

AdminHD, mxUpdater and CF Cards are described later in this manual.

Lawo User Registration

For access to the **Download-Center** and to receive regular product updates, please register at:

www.lawo.com/user-registration.

Additional Information

The mc²/nova HTML documentation contains mechanical drawings, data sheets and further information on all system components. This resource is available from the **Download-Center** at www.lawo.com (after **Login**).

We also recommend that you carefully observe the release notes delivered with your system.



2. Important Safety Instructions

General Safety

Exposure to excessive sound pressure levels can lead to impaired hearing and cause damage to the ear.

Please read and observe ALL of the following notes:

- Check all of the hardware devices for transport damage.
- Any devices showing signs of mechanical damage or damage from the spillage of liquids MUST NOT be connected to the mains supply or disconnected from the mains immediately by pulling out the power lead.
- All devices MUST be grounded. Grounding connectors are provided on all devices. In addition, all low-voltage devices external to the system must also be grounded before operation.
- For Scandinavian countries, ALWAYS use a grounded mains connection, to prevent the device from being grounded through Ethernet or other signal connections.
- Do NOT use the system at extreme temperatures observe the temperature range and humidity specified in the installation instructions.
- Do NOT expose devices to liquids which may drip or splash.
- Do NOT place objects filled with liquids, such as vases, upon a device.
- Only service staff may replace batteries.
- CAUTION: Danger of explosion if battery is incorrectly replaced Replace only with the same or equivalent type.

Servicing of components inside a device MUST only be carried out by qualified service personnel according to the following guidelines:

- Before removing parts of the casing, shields, etc. the device MUST be switched off and disconnected from all mains.
- Before opening a device, the power supply capacitor MUST be discharged with a suitable resistor.
- Components that carry heavy electrical loads, such as power transistors and resistors, should NOT be touched until cool to avoid burns.

Servicing unprotected powered devices may only be carried out by qualified service personnel at their own risk. The following instructions MUST be observed:

- NEVER touch bare wires or circuitry.
- · Use insulated tools ONLY.
- DO NOT touch metal semi-conductor casings as they can bear high voltages.

Eye Safety

This equipment may use Class 1 Laser products which emit invisible laser radiation that may lead to eye injury.

- NEVER look directly into optical components or optical fibre cables.
- Fit protection caps to close any unused optical components.
- Connect all optical fibre cables BEFORE turning on the equipment.



Defective Parts/Modules

Nova73 MKII contains no user-serviceable parts. Therefore DO NOT open the devices other than to perform the procedures described in this manual.

In the event of a hardware defect, please send the system component to your local service representative together with a detailed description of the fault. We would like to remind you to please check carefully whether the failure is caused by erroneous configuration, operation or connection before sending parts for repair. Please contact our service department before sending parts for repair.

First Aid (in the case of electric shock)

DO NOT touch the person or his/her clothing before power is turned off, otherwise you risk sustaining an electric shock yourself.

Separate the person as quickly as possible from the electric power source as follows:

- · Switch off the equipment.
- Unplug or disconnect the mains cable.
- Move the person away from the power source by using dry insulating material (such as wood or plastic).

If the person is unconscious:

- Check their pulse and reanimate if their respiration is poor.
- Lay the body down and turn it to one side. Call for a doctor immediately.

Having sustained an electric shock, ALWAYS consult a doctor.



3. The Hardware

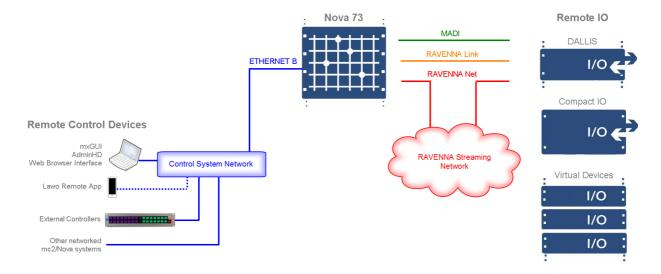
This chapter describes the hardware including all options and accessories.

Topics include:

- System Components
- Nova73
- Remote IO Devices
- DALLIS
- Compact IO
- Virtual Devices
- Remote Control Devices & Protocols
- Recording Com Kit



3.1 System Components



A complete system consists of the following hardware components:

- Nova73 (essential) fitted with plug-in Router, DSP and IO Modules.
- Remote IO (optional) providing further IO breakouts. Options include DALLIS, Compact IO and "Virtual Devices" such as Lawo's A line.

Each Remote IO device connects to the Nova73 via either **MADI** or **RAVENNA**. Note that not all devices support both connection types. These interconnects carry audio + control, thereby providing remote adjustment of IO parameters from the Nova73. To interface third-party IO devices, you can configure MADI, RAVENNA/AES67 or DANTE **Tie-Lines**. In this instance the connection to the Nova73 carries audio only.

The Nova73 Router Module includes two TCP/IP Ethernet ports which carry control system data:

- ETHERNET A is unused.
- ETHERNET B connects to the Control System Network.

By connecting devices to the Control System Network you can remotely operate, configure or maintain the system. Operational tools include mxGUI and the Lawo Remote App. System configuration is handled by AdminHD. Diagnostic tools include the Web Browser Interface. A range of **TCP/IP** protocols are also supported to provide further integration with other devices. Protocols include Lawo's Remote MNOPL, ROSS Audio Protocol, Ember+ and RTP MIDI.

This document describes the Nova73, DALLIS and Compact IO. It also covers AdminHD and the Web Browser Interface.

For information on mxGUI or the Lawo Remote App, please refer to your Operator's Manual.

For information on other options, such as Lawo's A_line, refer to the separate manuals for those products.



3.2 Nova73

The Nova73 forms the "heart" of the system and is fitted with plug-in Router, DSP and IO modules. It exists in its own right as a routing matrix, and can operate stand-alone or as part of a networked installation.

3.2.1 Frame Variants

The Nova73 is available in two frame sizes - Nova73 HD (10RU) and Nova73 Compact (7RU):

Nova73 HD (10RU)



Nova73 Compact (7RU)



Operationally, the two cores are identical, and share the same plug-in Router, DSP and IO modules.

To achieve its smaller footprint, the **Nova73 Compact** utilizes a different frame (980/06), which is fitted with different PSUs (980/27) and fan units (980/28). Due to the mounting of the PSUs, there are less slots available for DSP and IO modules. Thus, the maximum amount of DSP resource and routing matrix capacity are reduced.

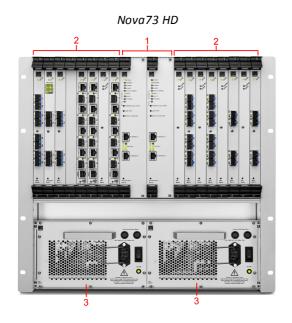
The table below summarizes the key features and differences.

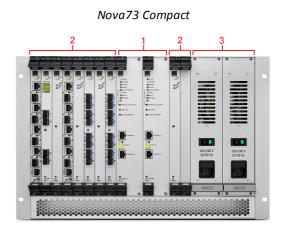
	Nova73 HD	Nova73 Compact
Width	19", 483mm (front plate), 440mm	(chassis)
Height	10RU	7RU
Weight	16.25 Kg (one PSU fitted)	14.5 Kg (two PSUs fitted)
Depth	510mm	489mm
Max. number of DSP + IO Modules	16	10
	(8k ² capacity router at 48kHz)	(5k ² capacity router at 48kHz)
Max. number of DSP Modules	8	5
Max. number of AES Modules	8	2 (fitted in slots 2 and 6)
Redundant Power Supplies	optional	standard
Redundant Router Module (980/33)	optional	optional
Configured using AdminHD	Yes	Yes



3.2.2 Controls, Connectors & Indicators

Front View





1 Router Module(s) MKII

Two central slots are reserved for the Router Module MKII (980/33). A single module *must* be installed and powered for the system to operate. A second module can be fitted for redundancy.

The active Router Module handles both the summing matrix AND the control system.

The summing matrix offers a 8k² capacity* router at 48kHz, or 4k² capacity* at 96kHz (***Nova73 HD**). The control system runs on an embedded Linux operating system, and stores both the application software and user data.

Connections to the control system are made via the two TCP/IP Ethernet ports:

- ETHERNET A is unused. (When the Nova73 forms part of an mc² system, it connects to the console control surface.)
- ETHERNET B connects to other devices for remote operation, configuration and networking.

2 DSP & IO Modules

16* slots are available for DSP and/or IO modules. (*The Nova73 Compact supports 10 slots).

The DSP modules define the amount of signal processing resource. Each module can be pre-configured for either mixing console channels or mxDSP resources (matrix DSP). DSP redundancy can then be defined by operator (via the **DSP Configuration** display).

The IO modules define the number and type of audio connections. Options include AES3, MADI, RAVENNA/AES67 and DANTE. Additional breakouts are realized by connecting partnering devices such as DALLIS, Compact IO or A_line.

The Router, DSP and IO modules include an **ACTIVE** LED. During normal operation, these should blink in time with each other (at 1Hz). This shows that the module is synchronous to the rest of the system.

3 PSU 1 & 2

Two slots are available for the power supplies. A single PSU is required for the system to operate. The second PSU provides redundancy. Note that on the **Nova73 HD**, the second PSU is optional, while the **Nova73 Compact** is *always* installed with two supplies.

To ensure the proper airflow, both PSU slots MUST be occupied when the Nova73 is operational:

• Nova73 HD: if only one PSU is installed, cover the empty slot with a blanking plate (980/21).



• Nova73 Compact: if a PSU is faulty, leave both units in the frame until a replacement can be fitted.

For redundancy, it is recommended to connect both PSUs, each to a separate phase of the AC mains circuit.

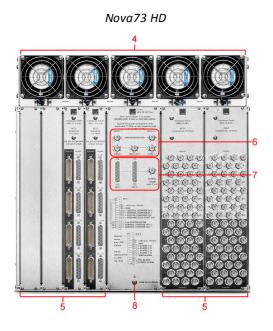
Each PSU can be switched on and off from the front panel, and includes a status LED. This should illuminate as soon as mains power is supplied.

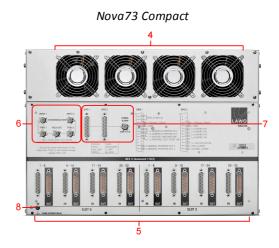
The mains connectors include a locking mechanism for security. Please unlock before removing a connector. Be sure to turn the mains power off *BEFORE* connecting or disconnecting a cable.

WARNING: The Nova73 frame *MUST* be connected to the mains using the IEC power cables supplied with the system. When running with two mains supplies, make sure that both circuits lie on the same ground potential. Otherwise, an internal bridge of two grounding wires can lead to a ground loop!

All Router, DSP, IO and PSU modules are hot-pluggable. This allows them to be be replaced without affecting other parts of the system.

Rear View





4 Fans

The frame is actively cooled by five* built-in fans. (* The **Nova73 Compact** is fitted with four cooling fans). The fans can be replaced during operation.

5 AES3 Connector Panels

If the front of the Nova73 is fitted with AES3 IO modules (of type 981/02 or 981/04), then the signals break out via rear-mounted connector panels.

On the **Nova73 HD**, a choice of breakout options are supported: D-type or BNC. Multiple connector panels can be fitted (up to 8 x D-type or 4 x BNC).

On the Nova73 Compact, 2 x D-type connector panels are fitted as standard.

Note that the position of the rear connector panels determines how the front-mounted AES3 IO modules must be fitted.



6 Sync IN & OUT

The INPUT 1 and INPUT 2 connectors can be used to connect an external sync reference. The inputs are auto-detecting and accept Wordclock, Video Black Burst (PAL or NTSC) or AES 3-id:

- When running the system referenced to Wordclock, the frequency of the sync source *MUST* match the operating sample rate of the system.
- The Nova73 supports only one video format at a time. Therefore, if both inputs are supplied with Video Black Burst, only signals of the same type can be used (either PAL or NTSC).

The **THRU 1** and **THRU 2** connectors provide an output of the sync signals connected to **INPUT 1** & **INPUT 2**. Note that these ports provide a "looped-through" signal, and do *NOT* follow the system clock selection.

The WCLK OUT connector provides an output of the current system clock (as defined using the Wordclock options in the System Settings display).

WARNING: If no further components are connected to the **THRU** ports, then it is essential to terminate each port using a 75 resistor. Terminating resistors, designed as BNC connectors are included in the delivery.

A star-like clock distribution, via a distribution amplifier, offers better signal quality and should be preferred to that of passive daisy chaining.

7 Alarm & Control Signals

The two 25-pin D-type connectors (GPI 1 & 2) carry various alarm and control signals. The BNC carries the global alarm (if the global alarm status monitoring is enabled).

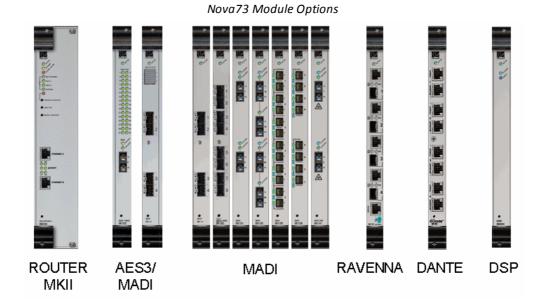
8 CASE

The CASE grounding screw (M4 x 8mm) should be used to ground the frame.



3.2.3 Nova73 Plug-in Modules

The tables below describe all the plug-in modules supported in this release of software. For more information, please refer to the module's data sheet available from the **Download-Center** at www.lawo.com (after **Login**).



Not every IO or DSP module can be used in every slot, so it is best to check if the configuration is supported by <u>AdminHD</u> before fitting the physical modules.

Central Router Modules					
980/33 ROUTER MKII Routing matrix (8k² at 48kHz, or 4k² at 96kHz) and integrated control system.					
IO Modules					
981/02 AES3 + MADI	32 inputs and 32 outputs AES/EBU (via D-type or BNC rear connector panel) 1 port MADI (optical, multi-mode fibre)				
981/04 AES3 + MADI	32 inputs and 32 outputs AES/EBU (via D-type or BNC rear connector panel) 4 ports MADI (via SFPs)				
981/14 MADI	4 ports MADI (via SFPs)				
981/18 MADI	8 ports MADI (via SFPs)				
981/31 MADI	2 ports MADI (optical, multi-mode fibre)				
981/38 MADI	8 ports MADI (optical, multi-mode fibre)				
981/32 MADI	2 double ports MADI, main + redundant (optical, multi-mode fibre)				
981/36 MADI	6 double ports MADI, main + redundant (optical, multi-mode fibre)				
981/41 MADI	2 ports MADI (optical, single-mode fibre)				
981/61 RAVENNA	4 ports RAVENNA (GB Ethernet Cat5/6/7 and SFP option for single or multi-mode optical fibre)				
981/65 DANTE	4 ports DANTE (GB Ethernet Cat5/6/7)				



DSP Modules				
	48/24 DSP channels for the mc ² series mixing consoles: 48 channels at 48kHz; 24 channels at 96kHz.			
	The 983/04 is a later revision of the 983/03 supporting identical features.			
983/06 DSP IOSONO	For project-specific applications.			

^{*} The **983/03** (or **04**) DSP module can be configured for different applications by changing the AdminHD configuration and updating the module's firmware:

- 983/03 DSP 48/24 DSP channels for the mc² series mixing consoles (defined by the **DSP Configurations** display).
- 983/03-077 mxDSP DSP paths for the routing matrix (defined by the **mxDSP** display).
- 983/03-060 DSP WFS (mix), 983/03-061 DSP WFS (filter) and 983/03-062 DSP spatial mixer for project-specific applications (must be factory-configured).

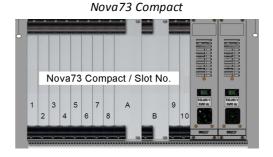


3.2.4 Nova73 Front Slot Allocations

Nova73 HD / Slot No.

Nova73 HD / Slot No.

1 3 5 7 A B 9 11 13 15 16



The diagrams above show the front module slots available within the Nova73:

- Slot A must be used for the main Router Module.
- Slot B is reserved for a redundant Router Module.
- Slots 1-16* available for DSP or IO modules. (*The Nova73 Compact supports 10 slots).

For details on all possible options, see Nova73 Plug-in Modules.

General Conditions

A single Router Module (980/33) *must* be fitted to slot A and powered for the system to operate. When fitting a redundant Router Module, it must be of the same type fitted to slot A.

To ensure efficient cooling, you should spread the modules evenly within the Nova73.

Not every IO or DSP module can be used in every slot, so it is best to check if the configuration is supported by AdminHD before fitting the physical modules.

Conditions for AES3 Modules

The position of the <u>rear connector panels</u> determines the slot numbers which *MUST* be used for front-mounted AES3 modules. Therefore, it is important to fit the rear panels *BEFORE* front-mounting the AES3 IO.

In the **Nova73 HD**, AES3 modules of type 981/02 or 981/04 should be mounted so that they are right-aligned to the rear connector panel (when viewed from the front of the frame). For example, if the first and second rear connector panels are D-type and the third is BNC (working from right to left), then the AES3 modules must be mounted in front slot 2 (D-type1), slot 4 (D-type2) and slot 8 (BNC).

In the **Nova73 Compact**, AES3 modules *MUST* be mounted in slots 2 and 6 so that they align to the corresponding rear connector panels.

If a module has been fitted incorrectly, then you will see its AES3 LOCK 1 LED blink.

Conditions for DSP Modules

DSP modules of type 983/03 or 983/04 should be front-mounted from right to left filling up the odd slots - 15, 13, 11, 9, 7, 5, 3, 1 in the **Nova73 HD** or 9, 7, 5, 3, 1 in the **Nova73 Compact**.

Note that the logical numbering of the DSP boards follows the mounting order described above:





3.2.5 Router Module MKII: LEDs & Switches

The front of the Router Module MKII (980/33) provides the following LEDs and switches:

ACTIVE LED

Illuminates in green (blinking) once the control system is booted and operating correctly.

STANDBY LED

Illuminates in yellow if the module is in standby (redundant). If there are two Router Modules fitted to the Nova73, then one module will be **ACTIVE** while the other is in **STANDBY**.

CHARGE LED

Illuminates when the <u>backup power</u> unit is charging. Off = the unit is fully charged.

ALARM LED

Illuminates in red if the global alarm is active.

SYNC LEDs

These four LEDs provide information about the sync source:

- Green, blinking = this input is the active sync source.
- Green, static = a valid sync signal is connected but the input is not active.
- Off = there is no valid sync signal connected.

PREPARE COLDSTART

Press this recessed button (the LED illuminates) to prepare a <u>cold start</u>. The cold start will occur following the next power cycle / reboot.

LAMP TEST

Press this recessed button to test all the LED lamps across all the Nova73 modules.

MODULE TAKEOVER

If you have main and redundant Router Modules fitted to the Nova73, then this button can be used to force a manual <u>takeover</u> to the redundant module.

ETHERNET A & ETHERNET B

These two TCP/IP Ethernet ports carry control system data:

- ETHERNET A always connects to the control surface (directly).
- ETHERNET B connects to the Control System Network.

The **100** and **1000** LEDs indicate the speed of the network connection. The **ACTIVITY** LEDs flash in green when data is being transferred.

POWER Button (above the Silk Screening)

Press this recessed button to power cycle the Router Module. The button should *only* be used as a last resort if all other <u>restart</u> methods fail to work.

Silk Screening

Here you will see the name and part number of the module.





3.2.6 Nova73 Accessories

Included

The following items are included with the Nova73. You will find them in the "Accessories" box:

- 2 x 2m IEC power cable (country-specific) to connect mains power to the frame.
- 2 x 75 terminating resistors (designed as BNC connectors) to terminate the Wordclock ports.
- 1 x network switch to connect the Lawo network.

Optional

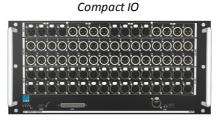
All other accessories, such as SFP modules for MADI and/or RAVENNA ports, must be ordered separately.

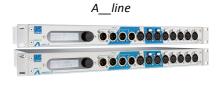


3.3 Remote IO Devices

The system supports three types of remote IO device which can connect to the Nova73: DALLIS, Compact IO and Virtual Devices. In each case, the Nova73 interconnect carries both audio and control, thereby providing remote adjustment of IO parameters.







DALLIS

A modular IO system that can be fitted with a choice of plug-in cards for flexible IO breakouts. DALLIS is available in two frame sizes: 3RU or 6RU.

Frame size	19" / 3RU or 6RU		
Connection to Nova73	RAVENNA Net, RAVENNA Link or MADI		
Redundant Power Supplies	Yes		
Flexible IO	Yes, via plug-in IO cards		
IO Card Options	Mic/Line, Line, AES3, SDI, GPIO, Serial, ADAT, Intercom, Headphones		

Compact IO

A self-contained stagebox that comes with a fixed complement of IO.

Frame size	19"/5RU		
Connection to Nova73	RAVENNA Net or RAVENNA Link		
Redundant Power Supplies	Yes		
Flexible IO	No, IO configuration is fixed		
IO Configuration	32 Mic/Line in, 32 Line out, 8 AES3 in, 8 AES3 out, 8 GPIO, 1 MADI		

Virtual Devices

A range of "virtual devices" that connect via RAVENNA Net. Options include the A_mic8, A_dig8, the Lawo Commentary Unit (LCU) and Neumann DMI-8.

Frame size	19"/1RU		
Connection to Nova73	RAVENNA Net		
Redundant Power Supplies	No		
Flexible IO	No, IO configuration is fixed		
IO Configuration: Amic8	8 Mic/Line in, 4 Line out, 8 GPIO		
IO Configuration: Adigital8	8 AES3 in, 4 AES3 out, 8 GPIO		



3.4 DALLIS

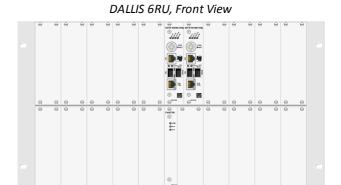
DALLIS is Lawo's modular IO system. It is designed for 19" rack-mounting and can be fitted with a choice of plugin IO cards. DALLIS can connect to the Nova73 using RAVENNA Net, RAVENNA Link or MADI.

3.4.1 Frame Variants

DALLIS is available in two frame sizes - 3RU or 6RU.

DALLIS 3RU, Perspective





Operationally, the two frames are identical, and share the same plug-in master boards and IO cards.

The 3RU frame is smaller and ideal for single-width IO cards (4HP), while the 6RU frame is larger and better equipped for double-width IO cards (8HP).

The table below summarizes the key features and differences.

	DALLIS 3RU Frame	DALLIS 6RU Frame	
Width	19", 483mm (front plate), 440mm (chassis)		
Height	3RU	6RU	
Weight	7.15 Kg (without cards)	11 Kg (without cards)	
Depth	510mm	510mm	
Number of IO Card Slots	18 x single-width (4HP) Double-width cards occupy two slots	18 x double-width (8HP) Double-width cards occupy one slot A slot can be fitted with one single- width card + blanking plate Slot19 is reserved for phantom power	
Redundant Master Board	optional	optional	
Redundant Power Supplies	fitted as standard	fitted as standard	
Configured using AdminHD	Yes	Yes	



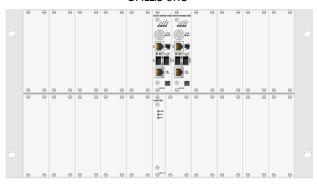
3.4.2 Controls, Connectors & Indicators

Front View

DALLIS 3RU



DALLIS 6RU



1 Master Board(s)

Two central slots are reserved for the DALLIS master board. A single master board *must* be installed and powered for the system to operate. A second can be fitted for redundancy.

The master board determines how the DALLIS connects to the Nova73, via either MADI or RAVENNA. Note that the dual format master board (947/22) supports both MADI and RAVENNA; in this instance, the AdminHD configuration determines which interface is in use.

The Nova73 interconnect determines how many mono audio channels are supported by the DALLIS: up to 60 (MADI) or 128 (RAVENNA).

The connections and status LEDs are described later.

2 IO Cards

18 slots are available for IO cards, and options include Mic/Line, Line, AES3, SDI, GPIO, Serial, ADAT, Intercom and Headphones.

Note that slot 19 on the 6RU frame is reserved for Phantom Power.

Every card includes an **ACTIVE** LED. During normal operation, these should blink in time with each other (at 1Hz). This shows that the card is synchronous to the rest of the system.

For details on other LEDs, connectors and switches, please refer to the card's data sheet.

The master boards and IO cards are hot-pluggable. This allows them to be be replaced without affecting other parts of the system.

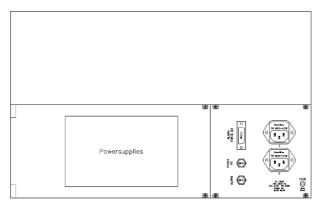


Rear View

DALLIS 3RU



DALLIS 6RU



3 PSU 1 & 2

Two internal slots are available for the power supplies. A single PSU is required for the system to operate. The second PSU provides redundancy. Depending on your system specification, either one or both supplies will be installed.

There is no on/off switch, and so the DALLIS will boot as soon as mains power is supplied.

For redundancy, it is recommended to connect both PSUs, each to a separate phase of the AC mains circuit.

The mains connectors include a locking mechanism for security. Please unlock before removing a connector. Be sure to turn the mains power off *BEFORE* connecting or disconnecting a cable.

WARNING: The DALLIS frame *MUST* be connected to the mains using the IEC power cables supplied with the system. When running with two mains supplies, make sure that both circuits lie on the same ground potential. Otherwise, an internal bridge of two grounding wires can lead to a ground loop!

4 Alarm & Control Signals

The 15-pin D-type connector (ALARM FORCE M2) and two BNCs (FORCE M2 & ALARM) carry the DALLIS local alarm and other control signals.

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5 CASE

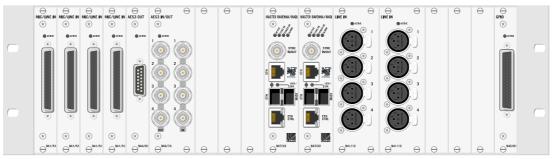
The CASE grounding screw (M4 x 8mm) should be used to ground the frame.



3.4.3 DALLIS Plug-in Interfaces

The tables below describe all the plug-in master boards and IO cards supported in this release of software. For more information, please refer to the individual <u>data sheets</u>.

3RU DALLIS (example configuration)



Not every IO card can be used in every slot, so it is best to check if the configuration is supported by AdminHD before fitting the physical cards.

The Nova73 interconnect determines how many mono audio channels are supported by the DALLIS: up to 60 (MADI) or 128 (RAVENNA).

The maximum analog level of the whole system is defined by the DALLIS card with the lowest GDA (General Device Address) - this is the card with the lowest address fitted to the DALLIS frame connected to the lowest port number of the first Nova73. (If a different fixed level analog card is fitted elsewhere within the system, then a warning appears in the log file; however, the card with the lowest GDA still wins.)

DALLIS Master Bo	DALLIS Master Boards				
947/05 MADI	1 port MADI (optical, multi-mode fibre)	981/02, 04, 14, 18, 31, 38			
947/07 MADI	2 double ports MADI, redundant fibre (optical, multi-mode fibre)	981/32, 36			
947/15 MADI	1 port MADI (optical, single-mode fibre)	981/41			
947/21 RAVENNA	1 port RAVENNA (GB Ethernet Cat5/6/7 and SFP option for single or multi-mode optical fibre).	981/61			
947/22 MADI/RAVENNA	1 port RAVENNA (GB Ethernet Cat5/6/7 and SFP option for single or multi-mode optical fibre) 1 port MADI (via SFP)	981/61 981/31, 32, 36, 38, 41			



DALLIS IO Cards	Part Number & Connector Type				
Analog	D-type	XLR	BNC	Inputs	Outputs
Mic/Line (trafo-balanced)	941/52	941/62	-	4 mono	-
Line in (trafo-balanced)	941/02, 04, 06	941/12, 14, 16	-	4 mono	-
Line out (trafo-balanced)	942/02, 04, 06	942/12, 14, 16	-	-	4 mono
Mic/Line (elect-balanced)	941/51, 53, 55	-	-	8 mono	-
Line in (elect-balanced)	941/84, 86	-	-	8 mono	-
Line in/out (elect-balanced)	941/83, 85	-	-	8 mono	8 mono
Line out (elect-balanced)	942/84, 86	-	-	-	8 mono

DALLIS IO Cards	Part Number & Connector Type				
AES3	D-type	XLR	BNC	Inputs	Outputs
AES3 in (SRC)	943/02, 03	943/12, 13	-	4 stereo	•
AES3 in (SRC) Hi-Z/Thru	943/01, 84, 85	-	-	4 stereo	4 thru
AES3 in/out (SRC in)	943/52, 53	-	943/72, 73	4 stereo	4 stereo
AES3 in/out (SRC in/out)	943/54, 55	-	943/74, 75	4 stereo	4 stereo
AES3 out	944/01, 02	944/11, 12	-	-	4 stereo

DALLIS IO Cards				
Special	Part Number	Description	Connector Type	
Headphones	942/61	4 stereo headphone outputs	1 x D-type	
Intercom (Riedel interface)	943/81, 82	4 AES3 in/out	4 x BNC (bi-directional)	
Optical Switch	945/61	Optical to BNC change-over switch for MADI.	2 x BNC: 1 in, 1 out 3 x MT-RJ	
ADAT in/out	946/31	8 channel ADAT interface	2 x ADAT: 1 in, 1 out	
RAVENNA (Audio over IP)	946/41	8 channel RAVENNA interface.	1 x RJ45 (Ethernet) 1 x SFP (optical fibre)	
RAVENNA (Audio over IP) & MADI	946/42	8 channel RAVENNA interface plus 64 channel MADI	1 x RJ45 (Ethernet) 1 x SFP (optical fibre)	
Phantom Power	947/10	48 V supply for transformer- balanced Mic/Line cards	n/a	

DALLIS IO Cards			
GPI	Part Number	Description	Connector Type
GPI/Opto Relays	945/01	8 opto-coupler in; 8 relay out	1 x D-type
GPI/Opto/VCA Relays		8 opto-coupler in; 8 relay out; 4 VCA in	1 x D-type



DALLIS IO Cards	Part Number		
SDI		Audio de-embedder / embedder	Connector Type
3G/HD/SD SDI	946/17	up to 8 AES3 in/out (stereo)	4 x BNC: in, thru, 2 out 2 x D-type: metadata
HD/SD SDI SD SDI	946/13 946/09	up to 4 AES3 in/out (stereo)	4 x BNC: in, thru, 2 out
HD/SD SDI SDI SDI	946/05 946/01	up to 4 AES3 in/out (stereo)	3 x BNC: in, thru, out

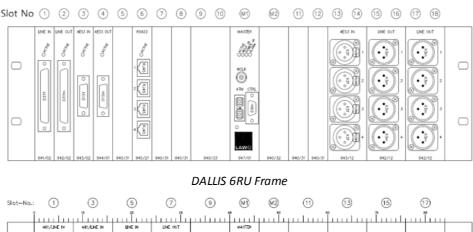
DALLIS IO Cards			
DSP	Part Number	Description	Connector Type
Summing matrix		8 in/out internal summing matrix with signal generator	n/a

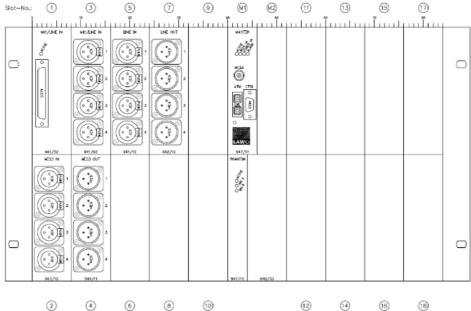
DALLIS IO Cards			
Data	Part Number	Description	Connector Type
RS422	945/21	4 bi-directional data ports for RS422	4 x RJ45
Serial Data	945/22	4 bi-directional data ports for RS232, RS422 or MIDI	4 x RJ45



3.4.4 DALLIS Front Slot Allocations







The dagrams above show the front slot positions available within each DALLIS frame.

Equipping the 3RU Frame

18 single width DALLIS IO card slots are supported. Double width IO cards (8HP) occupy two slots; single width IO cards (4HP) occupy one slot.

Equipping the 6RU Frame

18 double width DALLIS IO card slots are supported, plus a single width slot reserved for Phantom Power. Double width IO cards (8HP) occupy the whole slot. Single width IO cards (4HP) must be fitted on the left of the slot, with a blanking plate fitted to the right to close the gap.

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Slot Positions

- Slot M1 must be used for the main master board.
- Slot M2 is reserved for a redundant master board.
- Slots 1-18 are available for IO cards.
- Slot 19 (6RU frame only) is reserved for the 947/10 Phantom Power card (if required).

For details on all possible options, see **DALLIS Plug-in Interfaces**.



Conditions

A single master board *must* be fitted to slot M1 and powered for the system to operate. When fitting a redundant master board, it must be of the same type fitted to slot M1.

If are installing the optional <u>Fan Unit</u>, then note that cards 941/53, 945/61, 946/09, 946/13 and 946/17 produce the most heat and, thus, must not be installed next to each other.

Not every IO card can be used in every slot, so it is best to check if the configuration is supported by <u>AdminHD</u> before fitting the physical cards.

The Nova73 interconnect determines how many mono audio channels are supported by the DALLIS: up to 60 (MADI) or 128 (RAVENNA).



3.4.5 DALLIS Master Board: LEDs & Switches

The DALLIS master board (947/22) provides the following LEDs and switches:

ACTIVE LED

Lights in green (blinking) once the control system is booted and operating correctly.

SYNC OK LED

This LED provides information about the sync source:

- Green, static = the DALLIS is receiving a valid sync signal.
- Green, blinking = the DALLIS control system is locking.
- Off = there is no valid sync signal.

POWER OK LED

This LED provides information about the internal power supplies:

- **Green**, **static** = the DALLIS PSUs are operating normally.
- Green, blinking = the operating temperature of a PSU has been exceeded.
- Off = there is a PSU failure.

ALARM OK LED

Illuminates in red (static) if the DALLIS local alarm is active.

SYNC IN/OUT

This BNC port is usually left unconnected, as all external sync reference signals should be connected to the Nova73 (as described <u>later</u>).

It can be used to connect an external sync reference if the DALLIS is operating as a stand-alone device.

ETH x 2 (RAVENNA)

If using either RAVENNA Link or RAVENNA Net, these two ports should connect the DALLIS to the Nova73. The connection can be made via copper and/or optical fibre (via SFP). See <u>RAVENNA IO</u>. The **LOCK/ERR** LED indicates:

- Green, static = the link is active, and the signal and streaming are ok.
- **Red, static or blinking** = the link is active but has one of the following errors: streaming format error, streaming lock error or stream is asynchronous.
- Off = no signal.

MADI

If using MADI, this port should connect the DALLIS to the Nova73. The connection type is flexible depending on the SFP option. See MADI IO. The **LOCK/ERR** LED indicates:

- Green = a valid MADI signal is connected.
- Red = MADI link error.
- Off = no signal.

ETH CTRL

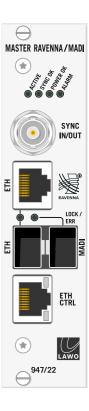
This TCP/IP Ethernet port can be used to connect a service computer for configuration and maintenance.

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Silk Screening

At the top and bottom of the interface, you will see the name and part number of the master board.

For information on other DALLIS master board types, please refer to the relevant data sheets.





3.4.6 DALLIS to Nova Interconnects

DALLIS can connect to the Nova73 using MADI, RAVENNA Link or RAVENNA Net. The connection type is determined firstly by the <u>type</u> of DALLIS master board, and secondly by the <u>AdminHD</u> configuration.

3.4.7 DALLIS Accessories

Included

The following items are included with each DALLIS. You will find them in the "Accessories" box:

- 2 x 2m IEC power cable (country-specific) to connect mains power to the frame.
- 1 x Cable Duct (940/21) to organize the cabling.

Optional

The following accessories must be ordered separately:

- Front Plates (940/31 or 940/32) to close any empty IO card slots.
- Recessed Frame Conversion Kits (940/28 or 940/29) to recess the DALLIS frame.
- DALLIS Fan Unit (940/20) to provide forced cooling for up to three 3RU DALLIS frames.

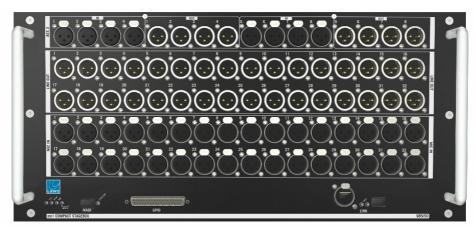


3.5 Compact IO

The Compact IO is a portable 5RU stagebox. It is delivered as self-contained unit with a fixed complement of IO. The Compact IO can connect to the Nova73 using either RAVENNA Net or RAVENNA Link.

3.5.1 Controls, Connectors & Indicators

The Compact IO comes in one frame size: 5RU:



1 IO Breakouts

Each unit provides:

- 32 x Mic/Line In wired to 32 x XLR (female)
- 32 x Line Out wired to 32 x XLR (male)
- 8 x AES3 In wired to 8 x XLR (female)
- 8 x AES3 Out wired to 8 x XLR (male)
- 8 x GPIO wired to 1 x 37-pin, D-type (female).
- 1 x 64-channel MADI available via SFP. To use this port, you must fit a Lawo-certified SFP module.

2 LINK Port (1 x RAVENNA Interface)

The RAVENNA interface connects the Compact IO to the Nova73. The connection is available on copper or optical fibre.

3 Power

The Compact IO is powered by dual-redundant power supplies which are mounted internally within the frame. A single PSU is required for the system to operate. The second PSU provides redundancy.

The mains connectors are located at the rear of the frame.

3.5.2 Compact IO to Nova73 Interconnects

The Compact IO can connect to the Nova73 using either RAVENNA Link or RAVENNA Net. The type of connection is defined by the <u>AdminHD</u> configuration.

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3.5.3 Compact IO Accessories

The following items are included with each Compact IO. You will find them in the "Accessories" box:

• 2 x 2m IEC power cable (country-specific) - to connect mains power to the frame.



3.6 Virtual Devices

This term refers to a special range of IO devices that connect to the Nova73 via RAVENNA Net. Note that a single RAVENNA Net port can support up to 16 devices.

3.6.1 Supported Products

In the current mc²/Nova release, the following products can be configured as Virtual Devices:

- Lawo A_mic8 a 19", 1RU unit with 8 Mic/Line in, 4 Line out and 8 GPIO.
- Lawo A_dig8 a 19", 1RU unit with 8 AES3 in, 4 AES3 out and 8 GPIO.
- Lawo Commentary Unit (LCU) a table-top commentary unit with 4 mono in and stereo PGM out.
- Neumann DMI-8 a 19", 1RU unit from Neumann with 8 Mic in.

Lawo A__mic8 & A__dig8



Lawo Commentary Unit (LCU)



For more details on the hardware, please refer to the individual product manuals.

For all devices, the streaming port connections carry audio + control. This allows you to remotely adjust parameters, such as mic input gain, from the mc²/Nova system. The available parameters and their method of control is explained in your mc²/Nova Operators Manual.

The streaming connections to and from A_line devices can be configured for redundancy using <u>SMPTE 2022-7</u> (SPS).

3.6.2 Conditions & Requirements

Each Virtual Device *must* connect to the Nova73 via RAVENNA Net.

All network components *must* comply with the RAVENNA data network requirements.

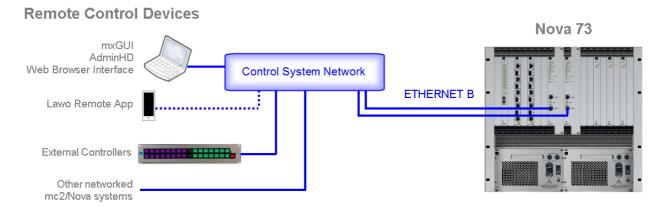
Each Virtual Device *must* operate at the same sample rate as the mc²/Nova system.

All RAVENNA streaming ports must use static IP addresses and be correctly configured.



3.7 Remote Control Devices & Protocols

In addition to the main system components, the Nova73 MKII supports a number of remote control options. All devices must connect to the Control System Network via ETHERNETB:



The options include a range of software-based tools from Lawo and, for integration with non-mc² or third-party devices, a number of control protocols.

Lawo Tools & Options

mxGUI - is a free-of-charge application which provides offline setup or remote operation of any mc²/Nova system.

Lawo Remote App - is a free-of-charge app providing remote control of parameters from an iOS device.

Remote Desktop - is a function programmed from the **Custom Functions** display which can switch any console TFT to a remote server. This allows you to view and control other applications from the mixing position - for example: KICK, the Waves plug-in server, an external DAW, etc.

KICK - is a chargeable option designed for automated "close-ball" mixing. The software uses data from an external graphics tracking system to follow the position of the ball and other points of interest. It then produces an automatic mix of the close-ball action by controlling the relevant audio channels within the console.

Waves SoundGrid Plug-in Server - is a chargeable option requiring additional hardware. It allows Waves plugins to be controlled directly from the Central GUI and reset by snapshots and productions.

For more information on mxGUI, the Lawo Remote App or Remote Desktop, please refer to your Operator's Manual. KICK and the Waves SoundGrid Plug-in Server are covered in their own dedicated manuals.

Control Protocols

Remote MNOPL - is Lawo's freely available TCP/IP control protocol. It provides access to virtually any system parameter. Typically, it can be used to control crosspoints within the mc²/Nova routing matrix from an external control system, such as VSM, Evertz, Quartz, BFE or Pharos. The configuration is handled by AdminHD, see Mapping tables.

ROSS Audio Protocol (RAP) - mc²/Nova systems offer native support for the ROSS Audio Protocol. Applications are similar to Remote MNOPL. RAP must be factory-configured.

Ember+ - is a non-proprietary TCP/IP control protocol, supported by a range of devices including Lawo's radio and production consoles. Ember+ allows devices to remotely control parameters within the Nova73 MKII, or the Nova73 MKII to control parameters within an external device. For example, to configure virtual control panels using VisTool MK2. For more information, visit https://github.com/Lawo/ember-plus/wiki.

RTP MIDI - mc²/Nova systems offer native support for RTP MIDI. Applications include using General Purpose Channels (GPCs) to control an external DAW or Camera Control Unit (CCU). Or, triggering MIDI event changes from a console command. The configuration is handled by .tcl files and the **Command Triggers** display.



3.8 Recording Com Kit

The Recording Com Kit provides Sony 9pin (P2), LTC and MIDI ports to connect an external playback device.

Machine control functions can be mapped onto user buttons from the Central GUI's **Custom Functions** display, or handled from the optional machine control panel. For details on how to install the kit, please see the separate Technical Documentation "TD 958/80 Rec Com Kit", available from the **Download-Center** at www.lawo.com (after **Login**).

Note that, from Version 5.4, mc² systems support native RTP MIDI (MIDI over Ethernet). Thus, control of up to 32 channels (four conventional MIDI devices) can be achieved using an Ethernet connection to the Lawo network. RTP MIDI support is native within MAC computers and can be achieved on PCs using dedicated software tools. Note that the Recording Com Kit is still required for Sony 9pin and LTC connections.



4. Redundancy Features

This chapter describes the redundancy features of the system.

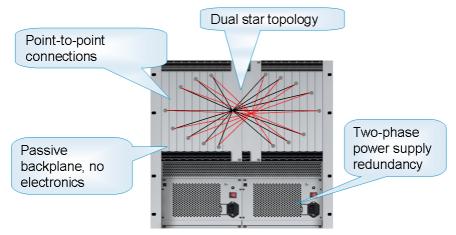
Topics include:

- Star2 Technology
- Link & Port Redundancy
- DSP Redundancy
- Redundant Power Supplies
- Redundant Router Module
- The Control System
- Updating a Redundant System
- SMPTE 2022-7 Seamless Protection Switching (SPS)



4.1 Star2 Technology

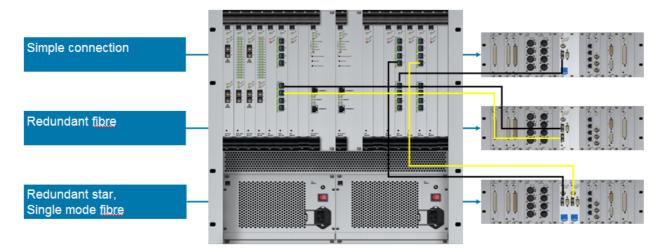
All components within the system utilise Lawo's Star² technology:



- **Point-to-point connections** internal point-to-point connections ensure that a fault only affects that part of the system, unlike a TDM bus architecture where a fault may disrupt everything connected to the bus.
- **Dual star topology** with redundant Router Modules fitted to the Nova73 and redundant Master Boards in every DALLIS, components can connect in a dual 'star' mode. This protects signal paths from any single point-of-failure. See <u>Link & Port Redundancy</u>.
- **Hot-swappable Modules/Cards** every plug-in module can be hot-swapped without affecting the rest of the system enabling online maintenance of the system.
- **Redundant Power Supply Units** dual redundant power supplies allow components to withstand a PSU or mains connection failure.
- Passive backplanes the frame backplanes are entirely passive. With no active components, this increases reliability.



4.2 Link & Port Redundancy



For crucial interconnections between the Nova73 and a DALLIS you can specify either link, or link and port, redundancy:

- Link Redundancy two physical connections (MADI or RAVENNA) are made from the DALLIS master board to the Nova73 IO module. If the active link fails, then the redundant link ensures an automatic recovery.
- Port Redundancy two master boards are fitted to each DALLIS, and connect to different Nova73 IO ports (preferably on a different module). Port redundancy provides automatic recovery from a:
 - o Failure of the active physical link (MADI or RAVENNA).
 - o Malfunction of the active DALLIS master board.
 - o Malfunction of the Nova73 IO module.

> To specify Link Redundancy:

MADI - order a double-port Nova73 module and DALLIS master board for each connection.

RAVENNA - install both the copper and fibre optic connections from the Nova73 IO module and DALLIS master board.

> To specify Port Redundancy:

MADI or RAVENNA - order two master boards per DALLIS plus enough single-port Nova73 IO modules to support the connections. You can decide which ports are used for the main and redundant connections using AdminHD.



4.3 DSP Redundancy

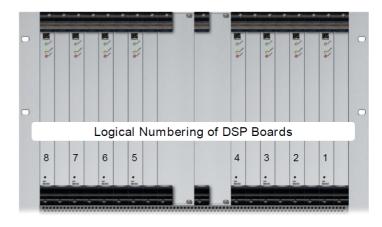
One or more DSP boards can be reserved to provide redundant processing in the event of a DSP board failure. The allocation occurs automatically depending on the active DSP configuration. For example, if the system is fitted with 4 DSP boards and the **Active** configuration uses only 2, then there will be 2 redundant DSP boards:

Configuration Presets Broadcast 24 2.2 (48) 490 2.3 (48) 491 24 18 0 16 16 2.4 (48) 492 2.5 (48) 493 32 18 16 2.8 (48) 496 2.9 (48) 497 2.10 (48) 498 32 2.11 (48) 499 2.12 (48) 500 2.13 (48) 501 48 32 8 16 8 2.14 (48) 502 40 34 2.15 (48) 503 24 2.17 (48) 505 Active - 2.12 (48) Recording 64/16 Inputs 16 Groups

DSP Configuration Display

On a Nova73, you can see this by looking at the front panel. The **STANDBY** LED lights (yellow) on all redundant DSP boards, while the **ACTIVE** LED lights (green, blinking) on all active DSP boards.





Note that in a Nova73, the DSP boards are utilized from right to left across the front of the unit. So if board 8 is redundant, it is the DSP board on the left of the core (when viewed from the front).

In the unlikely event of a DSP module failure, the system automatically switches all DSP resources and settings from the faulty board to the spare; the faulty board can then be removed and replaced.

Once the replacement is fitted, it will act as the spare board until either the system is restarted or a new DSP configuration is loaded. The boards are then reset to their default mode of operation - for example, slots 1 to 7 for main DSP resources and slot 8 in standby.



4.4 Redundant Power Supplies

Each of the following components can be fitted with dual-redundant power supplies:

- · Control surface frames
- Nova73 HD & Nova73 Compact
- DALLIS
- Compact IO

In all cases, only one PSU is required for operation; the second provides redundancy.

The status of all PSUs can be monitored from the Central GUI, via the status bar for the control surface frames, and via the <u>Signal Settings</u> display for all other components.



4.5 Redundant Router Module

By fitting two Router Modules (980/33) to the central slots of the Nova73, the system supports redundancy for both the routing matrix AND control system.

When the system first boots, the module on the left is active, while the module on the right is redundant. This is indicated by the **ACTIVE** and **STANDBY** LEDs.



LAMP TEST

 MODULE TAKEOVER

Main & Redundant Router Module LEDs

4.5.1 Automatic Takeover

If the active Router Module fails or there is a control system error, the system will automatically switch to the redundant Router Module. This ensures a seamless recovery without any interruption to operation.

Note that there will be a brief interruption to audio, of around 1 second, while routes are reconfigured.

■ MODULE TAKEOVER

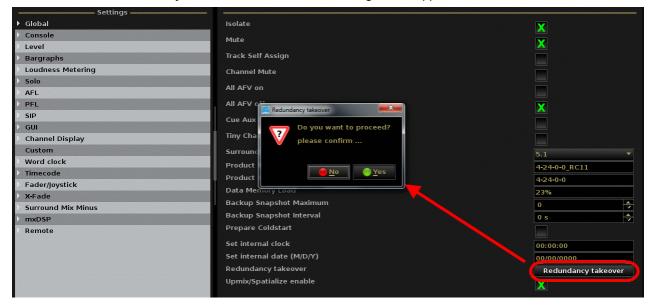


4.5.2 Manual Takeover

The system can be forced to switch to the redundant Router Module using any of the following methods: mxGUI, the MODULE TAKEOVER button or the ROUTER TAKEOVER contact closure.

Using mxGUI

- 1. Open the **System Settings** display and select the **Global** topic.
- 2. Click on **Redundancy takeover** a confirmation dialogue box appears:



Select Yes to confirm or No to cancel the operation.

If you select **Yes**, then the system will switch to the redundant Router Module; this will result in a brief interruption to audio (as for an automatic takeover).

Using the MODULE TAKEOVER Button

- 1. On the <u>front</u> of the Nova73, identify the redundant Router Module this is one with the **STANDBY** LED lit (yellow).
- 2. On this module, press the recessed **MODULE TAKEOVER** button.

The system will switch to the redundant Router Module; a brief interruption to audio will occur while routes are reconfigured (as above).

Once the takeover is complete, you will see the ACTIVE and STANDBY LEDs update accordingly.

Using the ROUTER TAKEOVER Contact Closure

A manual takeover can also be forced by triggering a positive edge at the **ROUTER TAKEOVER (IN)** input of the Nova73's GPI 1 connector.



4.6 The Control System

The control system resides on the Router Module MKII (980/33).

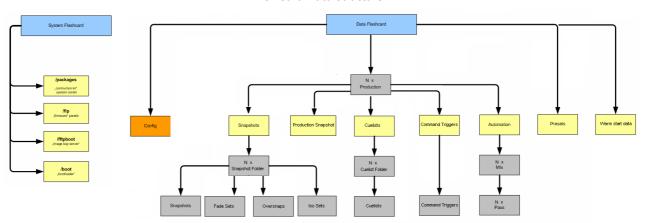
It runs on an embedded Linux operating system for increased speed and reliability.

Two Compact Flash (CF) cards are included to store the application software and user data separately. You can create a <u>backup copy</u> of the CF cards so that they can be replaced if necessary.

Note that the Router Module contains a backup power unit which provides up to 3 seconds of power (to deal with short interruptions to the AC supply).



CF Card Data Structure



During operation, any errors generated by the control system are stored in the **message** <u>logfile</u>. This can be copied to USB via the File display, or monitored remotely via the <u>Web Browser Interface</u>.



4.7 Updating a Redundant System

For redundancy to work, both main and redundant control systems must hold identical information and mirror each other.

User data (productions and warm start data) is mirrored at all times. However, the cold start configuration and system software are only synchronized when the control system boots up. This has implications if you wish to upload a new AdminHD configuration or update the system software.

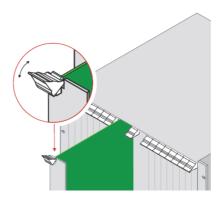
Let's take an example where the main control system is called A and the redundant control system is called B. If you upload a new configuration or software to control system A and then perform a <u>cold start</u>, the following will occur:

- The system responds to the cold start of the main control system (A) by automatically switching to the redundant control system (B).
- At the end of the cold start, data from the active control system (B) is copied back to the redundant control system (A). In other words, any new data will be overwritten!

To avoid this, and upload a new configuration or update software successfully:

Disable the redundant control system.

This can be achieved by releasing the locking catches, fitted to the top and bottom of the redundant Router Module (in **STANDBY**):



This unlocks the module from the Nova73 and automatically disables it; the module's LEDs should be off. Note that it is not necessary to pull out or remove the module completely.

- 2. Now upload your new AdminHD configuration, or new software version, and perform another cold start the system restarts using the new configuration files or software.
- 3. Once the control system is running (ACTIVE LED flashing), lock the redundant Router Module back into place to reactivate it the redundant Router Module boots up, and all data from the main control system is copied across.

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4. Cold start the system once more to confirm that step 3 was successful.



4.8 SMPTE 2022-7

SMPTE 2022-7 is a method of recovering lost data packets when streaming data over an IP network. The technology is also known as Seamless Protection Switching (SPS). Within a RAVENNA installation, it can be used to provide main and redundant paths for audio/video streams and PTP synchronization.

Compatible Devices

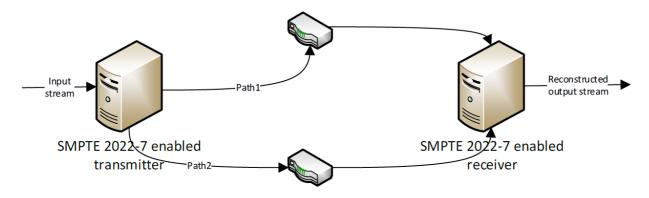
Lawo devices that support SMPTE 2022-7 (SPS) are:

- 981/61 RAVENNA IO module fitted to the Nova73, Nova37, mc²36 and mc² Micro Core.
- mc²96 Local IO.
- A__line devices: A__mic8, A__digital8, A__madi4.

SMPTE 2022-7 (SPS) is supported from mc²/Nova Version 5.14.0 and Image Version 10.0.0.x.

Concept

The diagram below illustrates the concept in a standard data network:



A SMPTE 2022-7-enabled transmitter duplicates the input stream and sends it via two different paths to the destination receiver. The receiver (also SMPTE 2022-7 enabled) combines the streams from both paths and reconstructs the original stream. If a packet was lost on path 1, the packet is taken from path 2. If path 1 is lost completely, then the entire stream is taken from path 2, and vice versa. The result is that the receiver can switch from one path to the other without impacting upon the stream content.

Configuration

To configure SMPTE 2022-7 (SPS), will need to create the two separate network paths for each data stream. This means doubling the network's infrastructure and then connecting each sending and receiving device to both paths. Within Lawo systems, the two paths are usually known as the red and blue networks.

For partnering connections between a 981/61 RAVENNA IO module and a remote IO device, the two streaming paths are created automatically according to the system configuration defined by AdminHD. See <u>Configuring SMPTE 2022-7 (SPS)</u>. Therefore, once the streaming ports are connected and the system configuration is uploaded, there is nothing further to do.

For RAVENNA Net Tie-lines, the AdminHD configuration defines 128 input and 128 output channels per port. These will appear in the **Signal List** display as mono sources and destinations providing you have <u>added</u> them to the Signal List (gui_config.tcl). In order to send and receive audio, you will need to set up the required TX and RX streams using the RAVENNA Web UI. Please refer to the separate "RAVENNA for mc²/Nova User Guide" for details.

In all cases, you *must* use an odd/even pair of ports to configure SPS. So, for example, on the 981/61 RAVENNA IO module, this can be ports 1+2 or 3+4, but not 2+3!

All ports must connect via the streaming network and conform to the qualifying data network requirements.



5. Installation

This chapter describes how to install a complete system.

Topics include:

- Installing the Nova73
- Installing a DALLIS
- Installing a Compact IO
- SFP Modules
- Synchronization
- Wiring
- Checking the System

Further Information

The mc²/nova HTML documentation contains mechanical drawings, data sheets and further information on all system components. This resource is available from the **Download-Center** at <u>www.lawo.com</u> (after **Login**).

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We also recommend that you carefully observe the release notes delivered with your system.



5.1 Installing the Nova73

5.1.1 Preparation

Unpacking

The Nova73 is delivered in its own box. All included <u>accessories</u> can be found in the "Accessories" box. Any optional components, such as spare IO modules, are delivered in their own packing box.

Please check the contents of the shipping boxes, and in the event of any transport damage, contact your local Lawo representative or email support@lawo.com.

Rack-Mounting

Both the **Nova73 HD** and **Nova73 Compact** are designed to be mounted in a 19" rack.

WARNING: Use the rack-rails supplied to mount the Nova73. The 19" frame *MUST NOT* carry the complete weight of the unit.

If you have plug-in modules or rear connector panels to install, then these should be fitted *BEFORE* installing the unit into the rack.

All plug-in connectors are located at the front or rear of the unit. Therefore, when using 19" racks with doors please leave enough room for the cables. Cables plugged into the front of the unit can be ducted backwards underneath the unit for distribution within the rack. You must make sure that there is sufficient airflow around the device for cooling.

Dimensions and Weight

	Nova73 HD	Nova73 Compact
Width	19", 483mm (front plate), 440mm (chassis)	
Height	10RU	7RU
Cable Duct	1RU below the frame is required for cable ducting and ventilation.	
Depth (including connectors and locking devices)	510mm	489mm
Weight	16.25 Kg (one PSU fitted) Each PSU weighs 4.25 Kg	14.5 Kg (two PSUs fitted) Each PSU weighs 2.86 Kg

Temperature and Cooling

Proper operation of the Nova73 can only be guaranteed at an ambient temperature between 10° C and 35° C and a relative humidity between 15% and 85% (not condensing). When the Nova73 is out of action, it can be stored at a temperature between 0° C and 40° C and a relative humidity between 10% and 85% (not condensing).

The frame is actively cooled by five* built-in fans. (*The **Nova73 Compact** has four fans). The life cycle of a fan is typically 70.000 operating hours at a maximum ambient temperature of 40° C. The fans can be replaced during operation.

The frame housing is perforated at the top and bottom to guide the air flow in and out of the unit. The air stream flows from bottom front to top rear. You must ensure that the air stream is guided to cool the unit efficiently. The air-flow rate depends on the mounted components. To calculate the air conditioning required, assume a maximal air-flow rate of approximately 200 m³/h.

WARNING: Take care that no devices or cables obstruct the flow of air and, thereby, hinder cooling.



Power Consumption & Electrical Voltage

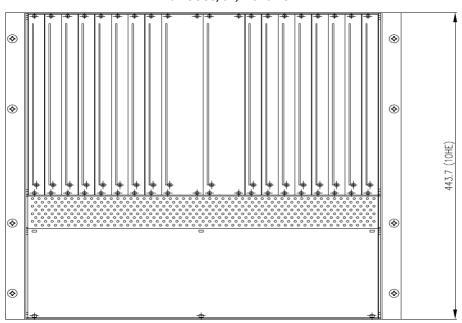
The power consumption of the Nova73 varies from a minimum of 60W to a maximum of 1000W, depending on the voltage and number of modules and PSUs fitted.

	Nova73 HD	Nova73 Compact
PSU Type	980/25 (1000W Power Supply)	980/27 (500W Power Supply)
Consideration	Input: 100-240 VAC (PFC)/ 47-63 Hz/ max. 13,5 A Output: 48 VDC / 23 A	Input: 100-240 VAC (PFC)/ 47–63 Hz/ max. 5,5 A Output: 48 VDC / 10,5 A

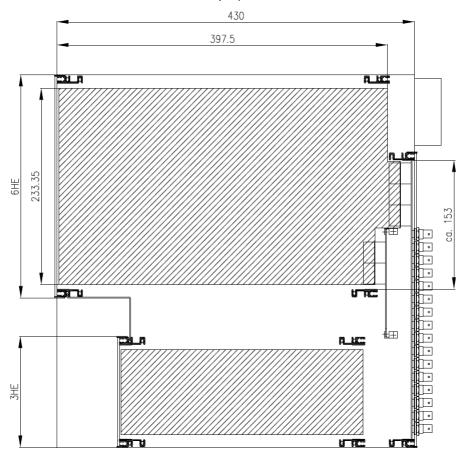


5.1.2 Mechanical Drawings: Nova73 HD

Frame 980/02, Front View



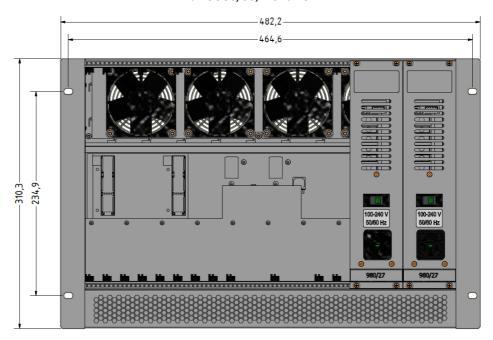
Frame 980/02, Side View



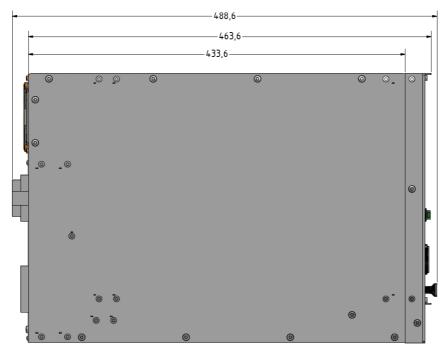


5.1.3 Mechanical Drawings: Nova73 Compact

Frame 980/06, Front View



Frame 980/06, Side View





5.1.4 Nova73 Power

The Nova73 is powered by dual-redundant power supplies which are fitted to the slots at the <u>front</u> of the frame. On the **Nova73 HD**, the second PSU is optional. The **Nova73 Compact** is *always* installed with two supplies.

A single PSU is required for the system to operate. The second PSU provides redundancy. When both supplies are operational, the load is shared.

To ensure the proper airflow, both PSU slots MUST be occupied when the Nova73 is operational:

- Nova73 HD: if only one PSU is installed, cover the empty slot with a blanking plate (980/21).
- Nova73 Compact: if a PSU is faulty, leave both units in the frame until a replacement can be fitted.

The status of the PSUs can be monitored from the Central GUI (via the Signal Settings display).

The PSUs are hot pluggable, see Replacing a Nova73 Power Supply.

MAINS Connections

The mains connectors are located on the **front** of the frame.

For redundancy, it is recommended to connect both PSUs, each to a separate phase of the AC mains circuit.

Each PSU can be switched on and off from the front panel, and includes a status LED. This should illuminate as soon as mains power is supplied.

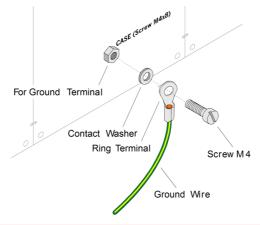
The mains connectors include a locking mechanism for security. Please unlock before removing a connector. Be sure to turn the mains power off *BEFORE* connecting or disconnecting a cable.

WARNING: The Nova73 frame *MUST* be connected to the mains using the IEC power cables supplied with the system. When running with two mains supplies, make sure that both circuits lie on the same ground potential. Otherwise, an internal bridge of two grounding wires can lead to a ground loop!

5.1.5 Nova73 Grounding

Although operator protection is guaranteed (the Nova73 is connected to the ground of the power supply system via the IEC power connectors) it is best to establish an additional ground for EMC reasons.

1. Fasten the grounding cable to the <u>rear</u> of the frame using the **CASE** screw (M4 x 8mm):



WARNING: The Nova73 must be on the same potential as all other system devices/modules. For Scandinavian countries, *ALWAYS* use a grounded mains connection, to prevent the device from being grounded through Ethernet or other signal connections.

Grounding of Audio Interfaces

For compliance with AES3, digital interfaces should be connected to a field ground.



5.1.6 AES3 Rear Connector Panels

Nova73 HD



Optionally, the **Nova73 HD** can be fitted with D-type and/or BNC AES3 rear connector panels. These provide connections for any front-mounted AES3 modules (of type 981/02 or 981/04). The two panel types can be mixed allowing up to 8 x D-type or 4 x BNC connector panels to be fitted:

- D-type, 8HP (980/14) AES3, balanced 110
- BNC, 16HP (980/15) AES3-id, unbalanced 75

The breakouts are on either 25-pin D-type or 75 BNC connectors. See <u>Connector Pin-Outs</u> for pinning information.

The position of the rear connector panels determines the slot numbers which *MUST* be used for front-mounted AES3 modules. Therefore, it is important to fit the rear panels *BEFORE* mounting the AES3 IO modules.

> To fit the rear panels:

- 1. Establish the first free slot (working from right to left) at the rear of the frame.
- 2. Remove the existing blanking plate if fitted.

Note that the blanking plates are 8HP wide. Therefore, if you are mounting a 16HP connector panel, you will need to remove two blanking plates.

- 3. Position the connector panel so that the inscription is legible!
- 4. Fasten the connector panel into place using its 4 screws.
- **5.** Repeat for every connector panel/blanking plate.

WARNING: Where no connector panel is required, please cover the frame with blanking plates (980/13).



Nova73 Compact



The **Nova73 Compact** comes with rear-mounted AES3 connectors as standard. These provide balanced 110 D-type connections for up to two front-mounted AES3 modules (of type 981/02 or 981/04). Note that the AES3 modules *MUST* be fitted to slots 2 and 6 at the front of the core.

The breakouts are on 25-pin D-type connectors. See **Connector Pin-Outs** for pinning information.



5.1.7 Fitting the Nova73 Plug-in Modules

Usually the Nova73 is delivered with all plug-in modules fitted to the frame. If you need to add a module or rearrange the layout, then please use the following instructions.

Not every IO or DSP module can be used in every slot, so it is best to check if the configuration is supported by <u>AdminHD</u> before fitting the physical modules.

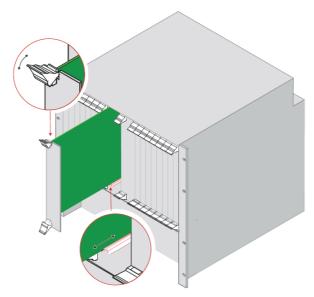
WARNING: The Nova73 plug-in modules carry highly sensitive electronic components, and therefore should only be handled by authorized personnel, and with the utmost care.

ALWAYS observe the following procedures:

- 1. Discharge yourself before touching a plug-in module.
- 2. Wear conductive safety-shoes and grounding wristbands to reduce the risk of electrostatic charging.
- 3. DO NOT bend the modules.
- 4. Make sure that all <u>rear connector panels</u> are mounted *before* inserting the respective plug-in module.
- **5.** To remove an existing module, unfasten the front panel screws, release the locking catches (as shown below) and pull out the module.

Some modules include DIP switches to set certain features. Therefore, check the DIP switch settings before inserting a replacement! For details please refer to the module's <u>data sheet</u>.

6. When fitting a module, make sure that it glides smoothly into the top and bottom guide-rails - when fitted correctly, it will lock into place.



7. ALWAYS fasten the front panel screws in order to fix the module in place.

This protects the operator from contact with live parts; protects the module from being pulled out unintentionally; and reduces the emission of electro-magnetic radiation.

Tighten the screws carefully to a maximum torque of 0.25 Nm; we recommend using a dynamo-metric screwdriver.

8. When you have fitted all the plug-in modules for your system, close any empty slots with blanking plates.



5.2 Installing a DALLIS

5.2.1 Preparation

Unpacking

Each DALLIS is delivered in its own box. All included <u>accessories</u> can be found in the "Accessories" box. Any optional components, such as the DALLIS Fan Unit, are delivered in their own packing box.

Please check the contents of the shipping boxes, and in the event of any transport damage, contact your local Lawo representative or email support@lawo.com.

Rack-Mounting

Both the 3RU and 6RU frames are designed to be mounted in a 19" rack. Recessed kits can be ordered to recess the frame by 75mm, see Rack-Mounting Options.

WARNING: Use the rack-rails supplied to mount the DALLIS. The 19" frame *MUST NOT* carry the complete weight of the unit.

All plug-in connectors are located at the front or rear of the unit. Therefore, when using 19" racks with doors please leave enough room for the cables.

All frames are supplied with a 1RU cable duct, either standard or recessed. This *must* be fitted below each DALLIS frame unless you are installing the optional DALLIS Fan Unit. The cable duct provides the 1RU gap beneath the frame required for ventilation. Cables plugged into the front of the unit should be ducted backwards underneath the unit for distribution. You must make sure that there is sufficient airflow around the device for cooling.

Optionally, a DALLIS Fan Unit can be installed to cool up to three 3RU DALLIS frames. In this instance, the frames *must* be placed directly on top of each other. See the <u>DALLIS Fan Unit</u>.

If you have plug-in cards to install, then these should be fitted BEFORE installing the unit into the rack.

Dimensions and Weight

	DALLIS 3RU Frame	DALLIS 6RU Frame
Width	19"	19"
	483mm (front plate)	483mm (front plate)
	440mm (body)	440mm (body)
Height	132.5mm	265mm
Cable Duct	1RU below the frame is required for cable ducting and ventilation (unless cooled by a DALLIS Fan Unit)	1RU below the frame is required for cable ducting and ventilation
Depth (of unit)	433mm	433mm
Weight (without cards)	7.15 Kg	11 Kg



Temperature and Cooling

DALLIS units require a constant air stream with a maximum exhaust air temperature of 32° C.

The housing of the frame is perforated at the top and bottom to guide the air flow in and out of the unit. The air stream flows from bottom front to top rear. You must ensure that the air stream is guided to cool the unit efficiently. The air-flow rate depends on the mounted components. To calculate the air conditioning required, assume a power consumption of 200 Watts.

If are installing 3RU DALLIS frames, then the optional DALLIS Fan Unit can be installed to providing forced air cooling. See the <u>DALLIS Fan Unit</u>.

WARNING: ALWAYS leave 1RU below the DALLIS frame (unless installing the DALLIS Fan Unit). ALWAYS observe the <u>minimum distances</u> at the front and rear of the unit. Take care that no devices or cables obstruct the flow of air and, thereby, hinder cooling.

Power Consumption

The power consumption of a DALLIS varies from a minimum of 70W to a maximum of 180W, depending on the number and type of IO cards fitted, and whether there are dual power supplies.

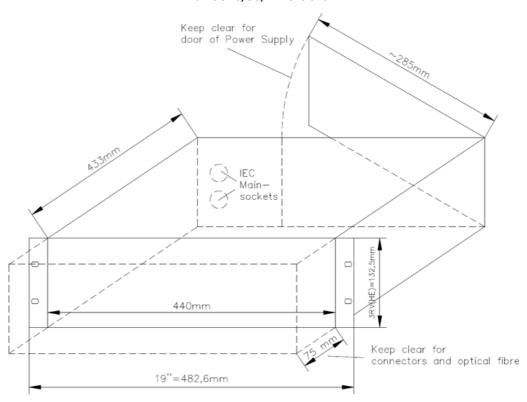
Electrical Voltage

	DALLIS 3RU Frame	DALLIS 6RU Frame
PSU Specification	Input: 100-240 VAC (PFC)/ 48-62 Hz/ 1.6-2 A	Input: 100-240 VAC (PFC)/ 48-62 Hz/ max. 2A
	Output: 12 VDC / 8.3-11 A	Output: 12 VDC / 11 A

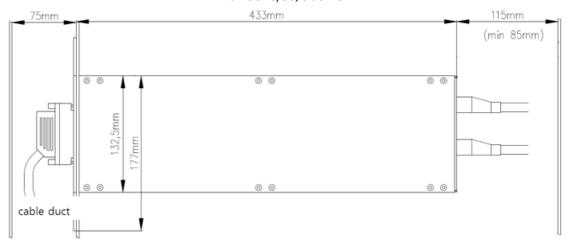


5.2.2 Mechanical Drawings: DALLIS 3RU Frame

Frame 940/30, Dimensions

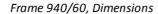


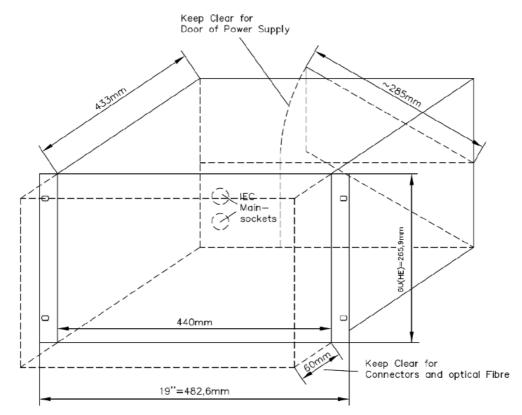
Frame 940/30, Side View



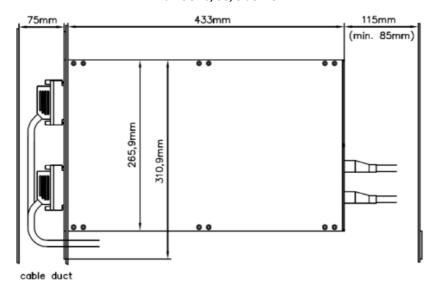


5.2.3 Mechanical Drawings: DALLIS 6RU Frame





Frame 940/60, Side View

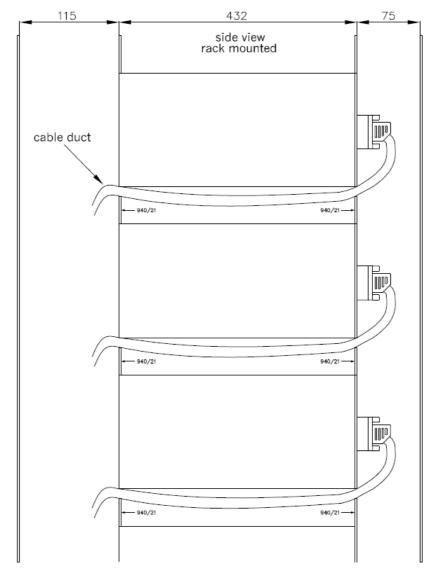




5.2.4 Minimum Distances for DALLIS Installation

You must leave 1RU beneath each DALLIS frame for ventilation and cable ducting, unless you are installing the optional DALLIS Fan Unit.

In all cases, you must observe the minimum distances at the front and rear of the frame.



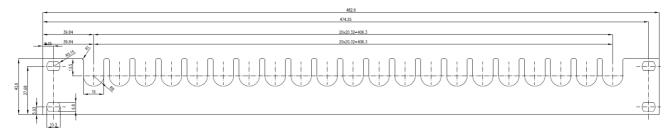


5.2.5 DALLIS Rack-Mounting Options

Cable Duct

The 940-21 Cable Duct is a 19" / 1RU blind panel, with cable grooves corresponding to the card slots in a DALLIS frame.

It should be fitted below each DALLIS frame, unless you are installing the optional DALLIS Fan Unit. Note that there is a recessed version (940-26) for recessed DALLIS frames (see below).



Dimensions & Weight	
Height	1RU, 43mm
Width	19", 483mm
Ducting holes	21 x 16mm

Recessed Frames

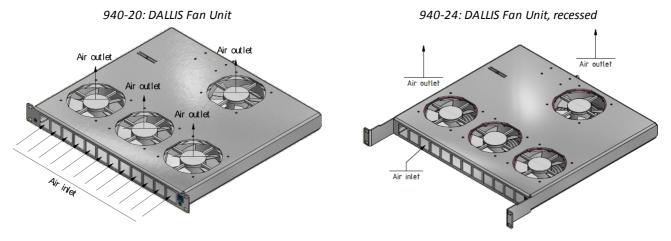
The following options allow a DALLIS frame to be recessed by 75mm.

- 940-28: DALLIS Recess Kit 3RU Frame. Conversion kit for recessed installation of 940-30.
- 940-29: DALLIS Recess Kit 6RU Frame. Conversion kit for recessed installation of 940-60.
- 940-25: DALLIS Recessed Blind Panel, Top. 19", 1RU blind panel to close the gap for non-recessed devices in the rack. To be fitted above the uppermost recessed DALLIS frame.
- 940-26: DALLIS Recessed Cable Duct, Middle. Like the 940-21. 19", 1RU blind panel with cable ducting holes to be fitted between two recessed DALLIS frames.
- 940-27: DALLIS Recessed Cable Duct, Bottom. Like the 940-21. 19", 1RU blind panel with cable ducting
 holes to close the gap for non-recessed devices in the rack. To be fitted below the lowest recessed
 DALLIS frame.



5.2.6 DALLIS Fan Unit

The DALLIS Fan Unit can be used to cool up to three 3RU DALLIS frames. The unit can be ordered in either standard or recessed versions:



Specification		
Height	1RU, 43mm	
Width	19", 483mm (front plate) / 448mm (chassis)	
Depth (without connector)	415mm (+ 76.5mm for recessing "ears")	
Weight (without cables)	3.4Kg	
Number of Fans	4	
Cooling Airflow	Forced, from front to top	
Power Consumption	6.5W	

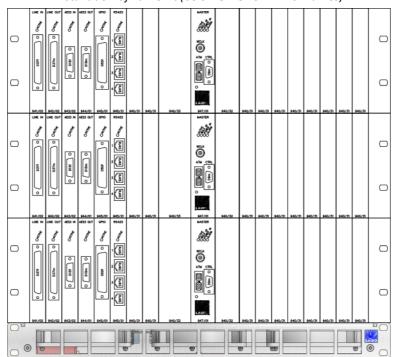


Installation

When installing DALLIS frames which are to be cooled by the DALLIS Fan Unit, the frames *must* be placed directly on top of each other, with the Fan Unit directly below the DALLIS you wish to cool (as shown in the picture below).

For correct airflow, all DALLIS slots must be closed either by a plug-in card or blanking panel. The space above the uppermost DALLIS frame must not be blocked by cables.

Note that the DALLIS cards 941/53, 945/61, 946/09, 946/13 and 946/17 produce the most heat and, thus, must not be installed next to each other.



Installation of Fan Unit (below 3 x 3RU DALLIS Frames)

Operating Modes

The Fan Unit can run in a choice of modes determined by the rotary switch positions and flip switch: "Silent" or "AUTO/MAX".

To run in manual mode, turn the rotary switch to position 0. Then set the flip switch to "AUTO/MAX". The fans will now run at their maximum speed which is fixed.

To run in auto mode, turn the rotary switch to position 1, 2 or 3 according to the number of stacked DALLIS frames. Then set the flip switch to "AUTO/MAX". The fan speed will now be adjusted automatically, according to the outside temperature and selected number of DALLIS frames. Note that the outside temperature should not exceed 40°C.

In either mode, you can force the unit to run silently by changing the flip switch to position "Silent". In this mode the fans operate at their minimal speed.

Rotary switch position	Flip switch position = "Silent"	Flip switch position = "AUTO/MAX"
0	Silent mode	Maximum speed (fixed)
1	Silent mode	Auto mode for 1 DALLIS frame
2	Silent mode	Auto mode for 2 DALLIS frames
3	Silent mode	Auto mode for 3 DALLIS frames



5.2.7 DALLIS Power

The DALLIS is powered by dual-redundant power supplies which are fitted to two internal slots (with service access via the rear door). A single PSU is required for the system to operate. The second PSU provides redundancy.

Depending on your system specification, either one or both supplies will be installed. When both supplies are operational, the load is shared.

The status of the PSUs can be monitored from the Central GUI (via the Signal Settings display).

The PSUs are hot pluggable. For details on how to change a PSU, see DALLIS PSU replacement.

MAINS Connections

The mains connectors are located on the <u>rear</u> of the frame.

There is no on/off switch, and so the DALLIS will boot as soon as mains power is supplied.

For redundancy, it is recommended to connect both PSUs, each to a separate phase of the AC mains circuit.

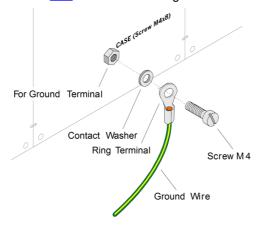
The mains connectors include a locking mechanism for security. Please unlock before removing a connector. Be sure to turn the mains power off *BEFORE* connecting or disconnecting a cable.

WARNING: The DALLIS frame *MUST* be connected to the mains using the IEC power cables supplied with the system. When running with two mains supplies, make sure that both circuits lie on the same ground potential. Otherwise, an internal bridge of two grounding wires can lead to a ground loop!

5.2.8 DALLIS Grounding

Although operator protection is guaranteed (the DALLIS is connected to the ground of the power supply system via the IEC power connectors) it is best to establish an additional ground for EMC reasons.

1. Fasten the grounding cable to the rear of the frame using the CASE screw (M4 x 8mm):



WARNING: The DALLIS must be on the same potential as all other system devices/modules. For Scandinavian countries, *ALWAYS* use a grounded mains connection, to prevent the device from being grounded through Ethernet or other signal connections.

Grounding of Audio Interfaces

For compliance with AES3, digital interfaces should be connected to a field ground.

When connecting microphones, the ground connection from the DALLIS should be guided directly to the microphone via the cable shielding, otherwise phantom power cannot be transferred. Take care that the shielding does not lie on the field ground (to prevent interference and loss of signal quality).



5.2.9 Fitting the DALLIS Plug-in Interfaces

Usually the DALLIS is delivered with all plug-in master boards and IO cards fitted to the frame. If you need to add a card or re-arrange the layout, then please use the following instructions.

Not every IO card can be used in every slot, so it is best to check if the configuration is supported by AdminHD before fitting the physical cards.

WARNING: The DALLIS plug-in cards carry highly sensitive electronic components, and therefore should only be handled by authorized personnel, and with the utmost care.

To avoid any unpleasant clicks or pops, the system resets when a Phantom Power card is replaced. Therefore, you should only replace a Phantom Power card if the system is off air!

ALWAYS observe the following procedures:

- 1. Discharge yourself before touching a plug-in card.
- 2. Wear conductive safety-shoes and grounding wristbands to reduce the risk of electrostatic charging.
- 3. DO NOT bend the cards.
- 4. To remove an existing card, unfasten the front panel screws and pull out the card.

Take note of any existing DIP switch settings; for details please consult the relevant data sheet.

- **5.** When fitting a new card, make sure that it glides smoothly into the top and bottom guide-rails when fitted correctly, it will lock into place.
- **6.** ALWAYS fasten the front panel screws in order to fix the card in place.

This protects the operator from contact with live parts; protects the card from being pulled out unintentionally; and reduces the emission of electro-magnetic radiation.

Tighten the screws carefully to a maximum torque of 0.25 Nm; we recommend using a dynamo-metric screwdriver.

7. When you have fitted all the plug-in cards for your system, close any empty slots with blanking plates.

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For single width slots use part number 940/31, and for double width slots use 940/33.

Use part number 940/32 to blank the second master board slot.



5.3 Installing a Compact IO

5.3.1 Preparation

Unpacking

Each Compact IO is delivered in its own box. All included accessories can be found in the "Accessories" box.

Please check the contents of the shipping boxes, and in the event of any transport damage, contact your local Lawo representative or email support@lawo.com.

Rack-Mounting

The Compact IO is designed to be portable, and can be lifted using the two handles mounted on the front of the chassis.

All breakout connectors are located on the front panel, with mains power connectors at the rear. When installing, please leave enough room for the cables.

Dimensions and Weight

Width	483mm / 19"
Height	5RU / 220mm / 8.7"
Weight	

Temperature and Cooling

The unit is convection cooled. It is ideal for installation within noise critical environments. Proper operation can only be guaranteed at an ambient temperature between 10°C and 35°C and a relative humidity between 15% and 85% (not condensing).

WARNING: Take care that no devices or cables obstruct the flow of air and, thereby, hinder cooling.

5.3.2 Compact IO Power

The Compact IO is powered by dual-redundant power supplies which are mounted internally within the frame. A single PSU is required for the system to operate. The second PSU provides redundancy.

When both supplies are operational, the load is shared.

The status of the PSUs can be monitored from the Central GUI (via the Signal Settings display).

MAINS Connections

The mains connectors are located on the rear of the frame.

For redundancy, it is recommended to connect both PSUs, each to a separate phase of the AC mains circuit.

There is no on/off switch, and so the Compact IO will boot as soon as mains power is supplied.

The mains connectors include a locking mechanism for security. Please unlock before removing a connector. Be sure to turn the mains power off *BEFORE* connecting or disconnecting a cable.

WARNING: The Compact IO *MUST* be connected to the mains using the IEC power cables supplied with the system. When running with two mains supplies, make sure that both circuits lie on the same ground potential. Otherwise, an internal bridge of two grounding wires can lead to a ground loop!



5.4 SFP Modules

The following SFP modules are available for the relevant MADI and RAVENNA ports. Note that all SFPs *must* be Lawo-certified (as listed below).

If fitting SFPs to both MADI and RAVENNA ports, take care not to mix up the module types!

MADI SFP Modules

Options include multi-mode and single-mode fibre, and standard coaxial cable. For more details, please refer to the SFP module's data sheet.

SFP Module Description	Part Number
MADI, multi-mode fibre	981/60-80
MADI, single-mode fibre	981/60-81
MADI, coaxial/electrical	981/60-82

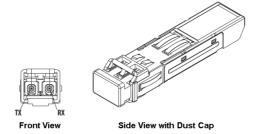
RAVENNA SFP Modules

Options include multi-mode and single-mode fibre. For more details, please refer to the SFP module's data sheet.

SFP Module Description	Part Number
1000 BASE SX: 850nm, -7dBm, multi-mode fibre, 550m	981/60-10
1000 BASE LX: 1310nm, -3dBm, single-mode fibre, 10km	981/60-20
1000 BASE ZX: 1550nm, 0dBm, single-mode fibre, 80km	981/60-30

Installing the SFPs

The SFP modules are hot-pluggable. To install, remove the dust caps from both the port and SFP module. Then, push the module into the rectangular slot. Press gently and firmly until the module locks into position.



CAUTION: Please unlock the SFP module before removing to avoid mechanical damage to the slot. If a module is removed, please refit the port's dust cap to protect the internal components.

Make sure you use the correct fibre type for your device. Using the wrong fibre type or exceeding the maximum optical input power can result in malfunction of, or damage to, the optical device.



5.5 Synchronization

The system offers a fully redundant clock source structure and, when connected to a RAVENNA streaming network, can transmit or receive PTP.

5.5.1 Sync Reference Options

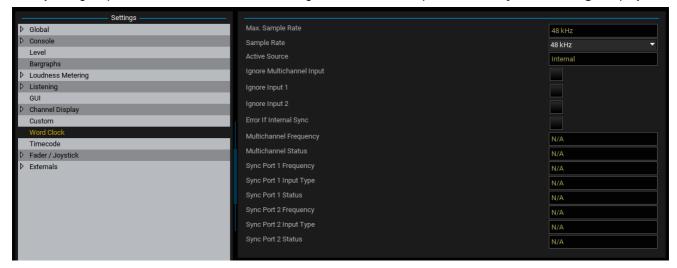
For a Nova73, the sync reference options are:

- **Multichannel** either PTP to/from the RAVENNA streaming network, or incoming sync from a MADI or RAVENNA Link Port.
- Input 1 sync connected to INPUT 1 on the Nova73 rear panel. This can be Wordclock, Video Black Burst or AES3-id.
- Input 2 sync connected to INPUT 2 on the Nova73 rear panel. This can be Wordclock, Video Black Burst or AES3-id.
- Internal the Nova73's own internal sync generator.

Note that the Mutichannel sync source (either PTP or Port) must be pre-defined using AdminHD.

5.5.2 Sync Signal Priorities

The sync signal priorities are set from mxGUI, using the Word Clock options in the System Settings display.



The **Active Source** field is for display purposes only, and shows the active synchronization source: **Multichannel**, **Input 1**, **Input 2** or **Internal**.

Information about the **Frequency**, **Input Type** and **Status** of each external sync source is shown in the lower part of the display; if a signal is not present or invalid, then you will see **N/A**.

The active sync source is selected automatically as follows: **Multichannel - Input 1 - Input 2 - Internal**. In each case, the status of the sync source and the **Ignore** ... check boxes are taken into account.

For example, with a valid sync signal connected to all inputs and no **Ignore** ... check boxes selected, the system will lock to the **Multichannel** sync source (pre-defined by AdminHD). If multichannel sync is lost or the signal is invalid, then the system automatically switches to **Input 1**. Similarly, if sync is lost on this port, then the system switches to **Input 2**. Finally, if sync is lost on all external ports, then the system switches to **Internal**. An automatic return mode means that the system will switch back to **Input 2**, **1** or **Multichannel** once a valid signal is detected.

To ignore an external sync source, enable its **Ignore** ... check box. For example, to skip the multichannel sync source in the sequence, enable the **Ignore Multichannel Input** check box.

If the **Error if Internal Sync** check box is enabled, then the <u>global alarm</u> will be triggered when the system switches to internal sync. Note that this option can also be configured using AdminHD (under <u>Core -> Data</u>).



The **Word Clock** options are stored in productions. Therefore, if you have changed the sync priorities, you will need to check and update any user productions.

The examples which follow describe some common requirements.

Sync to an incoming signal

To sync to external Wordclock connected to Input 1, enable the **Ignore Multichannel Input** check box. **Input 1** should now become the **Active Source**.

To sync to a MADI or RAVENNA Link signal, first check that the correct port is specified in <u>AdminHD</u>, and then make sure that the **Ignore Multichannel Input** check box is off. **Multichannel** sync should now become the **Active Source**.

To sync to PTP from a RAVENNA streaming network, first check that the correct RAVENNA IO module is specified in AdminHD, and then make sure that the Ignore Multichannel Input check box is off. Multichannel sync should now become the Active Source. Note that all of the configured RAVENNA Net ports on the selected module will "listen" for PTP. This means that you should have the correct synchronization as long as one port remains connected to the network.

> Sync to internal

To sync to the system's internal sync generator, turn on all of the **Ignore** ... check boxes to ignore all external sync sources. **Internal** should now become the **Active Source**.

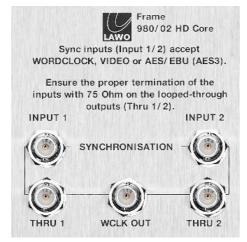
If the **Error if Internal Sync** check box is enabled, then the <u>global alarm</u> will be triggered when the system switches to internal sync. Note that this option can also be configured using AdminHD (under <u>Core -> Data</u>).

> Transmitting PTP to a RAVENNA Streaming Network

This mode requires some deeper knowledge, as the network's PTP master is dependent on the PTP priorities set within the device itself and all other streaming nodes. For details, please refer to the separate "RAVENNA for mc²/Nova User Guide".

5.5.3 External Sync Connections

The following external sync connections appear on the Nova73 rear connector panel:



The INPUT 1 and INPUT 2 connectors can be used to connect an external sync reference. The inputs are auto-detecting and accept Wordclock, Video Black Burst (PAL or NTSC) or AES 3-id:

- When running the system referenced to Wordclock, the frequency of the sync source *MUST* match the operating sample rate of the system.
- The Nova73 supports only one video format at a time. Therefore, if both inputs are supplied with Video Black Burst, only signals of the same type can be used (either PAL or NTSC).

The **THRU 1** and **THRU 2** connectors provide an output of the sync signals connected to **INPUT 1** & **INPUT 2**. Note that these ports provide a "looped-through" signal, and do *NOT* follow the system clock selection.



The WCLK OUT connector provides an output of the current system clock (as defined using the Wordclock options in the System Settings display).

WARNING: If no further components are connected to the **THRU** ports, then it is essential to terminate each port using a 75 resistor. Terminating resistors, designed as BNC connectors are included in the delivery.

A star-like clock distribution, via a distribution amplifier, offers better signal quality and should be preferred to that of passive daisy chaining.

5.5.4 Checking the Sync Status

The active sync source can be checked from mxGUI: open the **System Settings** display, select the **Wordclock** options and check the **Active Source** field.

Alternatively, look at the four **SYNC** LEDs on the front of the Nova73 Router Module:

- Green, blinking = this input is the active sync source.
- Green, steady state = a valid sync signal is connected but the input is not active.
- Off = there is no valid sync signal connected.

The sync status can also be interrogated using the Web Browser Interface.

If the sync source is Multi-channel = PTP, then its status and priority settings can be interrogated using the RAVENNA Web UI. For details, please refer to the separate "RAVENNA for mc²/Nova User Guide".





5.6 Wiring

This section describes all possible connections.

Note that to boot the system the following connections are essential:

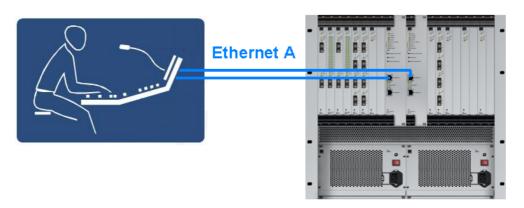
• Nova73 Power - mains connections to the Nova73 frame.

Other connections can be made as they are required.



5.6.1 ETHERNET A

"Internal" Network Connection



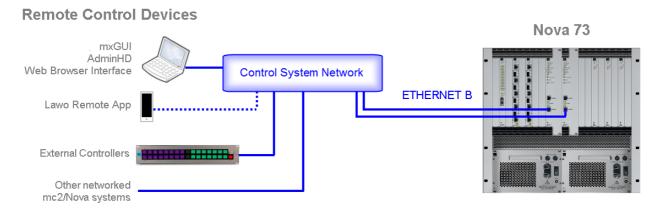
On a stand-alone Nova73, the **ETHERNET A** port is unused.

When the Nova73 forms part of an mc² system, it connects the control system to the console control surface.



5.6.2 ETHERNET B

"External" Network Connection



The **ETHERNET B** port on the Nova73 Router Module MKII (980/33) connects the control system to external devices for remote operation, configuration and system networking. Connections are made via TCP/IP Ethernet.

A single computer or device can connect directly. However, it is more common to install a network switch. Depending on the number of network connections, one mc²/Nova system can support up to 16 clients.

If a second Router Module is fitted, then a second connection to the switch should be made to support redundancy (as shown above).

WARNING: You must use a network switch and *NOT* a hub, and keep the Lawo network separate from other network traffic within the installation. The switch should support 1GB for best performance.

For more information on installing a suitable network switch, please contact your local Lawo representative or email support@lawo.com.

Cable Specifications

- CAT 5 or better (CAT 5e/6/7); straight (1:1) or crossed Ethernet cable.
- Connector Type: RJ45.
- 1000, 100 and 10 Base-TX LAN speeds are supported; **1000 Base-TX** (Gigabit Ethernet) is recommended.
- Cable Length: up to 100m.

Connecting via a Network Switch (recommended)

- 1. Connect your computer/device to the network switch.
- 2. If not already installed, connect the **ETHERNET B** port from the first Router Module (980/33) to the network switch.

If a redundant Router Module is installed, run a second **ETHERNET B** connection as shown above. This will ensure continued access to the control system should a <u>takeover</u> occur.

Direct Connection

1. Connect your computer/device directly to the ETHERNET B port on the active Router Module (980/33).

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If the system switches to the alternate Router Module, then will need to re-connect your device manually.



TCP/IP Configuration

To establish communication, you will need to configure the TCP/IP settings of the computer's Network Interface Card.

IP Address

The IP address must be unique, and lie within the same IP address range as that of the mc²/Nova control system (i.e. the first three fields must match).

For example, if the Lawo control system's IP address = **192.168.102.1**, then set your computer's IP address to **192.168.102.101**.

You can check the Lawo system IP address from mxGUI: open the **System Settings** display and select **Global** - the **IP Address Primary** = the main control system IP address.

For a list of the default IP addresses for all products, see Default TCP/IP Settings.

Subnet Mask

The Subnet Mask must match that of the $mc^2/Nova$ control system. In all Lawo systems, the default Subnet Mask = 255.255.255.0.

Default Gateway

A Default Gateway setting is required if data packets are to be redirected. For example, if you are connecting via a network switch with Layer 3 routing capability. If redirection is not required, then the Default Gateway can be left blank.

If you are connecting via a wider network, please ask your network administrator for further assistance.



Check the IP settings carefully. If there is an IP conflict, then the network will not operate correctly.

Testing the Connection

The simplest way to check the connection is to open the <u>Web Browser Interface</u> as follows: open your browser software and enter the IP address of the Lawo system into the URL field - the **System Overview** page should appear. If not, try the <u>trouble-shooting</u> tips.



5.6.3 MADI IO

The MADI IO ports can connect the Nova73 to a partnering device or third-party device via MADI Tie-lines. In each case, the functionality is determined by the AdminHD configuration when you <u>define</u> the IO port. The following functionality is supported:

- DALLIS can connect via MADI.
- Port redundancy can be configured for a DALLIS with two MADI master boards.

MADI Specification

All MADI interfaces provide:

- AES10: Multi-channel Audio Digital Interface.
- Port port: up to 64 bi-directional channels at 48kHz, or 32-channels at 96kHz.

Cable Specifications

Connectors and cable types vary depending on the IO module/card.

If a port is available via SFP, then you must fit one of the Lawo-certified SFP Modules.

For details on non-SFP connectors and cables, please refer to the IO card's data sheet.

Wiring the Connections

MADI connections should be directly wired using point-to-point connections. The maximum connection length depends on the cable type.

When connecting to a DALLIS, a minimum of 4-channels are used to transport <u>DSP resources</u>. This leaves up to 60-channels at 48kHz, or 28-channels at 96kHz, for plug-in IO cards.

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Status LED

Each MADI interface provides a **LOCK / ERR** LED:

- Green = valid MADI signal detected.
- **Red** = MADI signal or link error.
- Off = no signal detected.





5.6.4 DANTE IO

The DANTE IO ports can connect the Nova73 to a third-party device via DANTE Tie-lines.

DANTE Specification

The 981/65 IO board provides:

- 4 x DANTE Brooklyn II modules with 4 main + 4 redundant ports.
- Per port: up to 64 bi-directional channels at 48kHz, or 32-channels at 96kHz.
- Sample Rate Converters (SRCs) configured per port by <u>AdminHD</u>.

The configuration of the DANTE Brooklyn II modules depends on their firmware version. Please refer to your Lawo software release notes for the latest information.

Cable Specifications

Choose an Ethernet cable that meets the following specification:

- CAT 5 or better (CAT 5e/6/7); straight (1:1) or crossed Ethernet cable.
- Connector Type: RJ45.
- 1000 or 100 Base-TX LAN; 1000 Base-TX (Gigabit Ethernet) is recommended.
- Cable Length: up to 100m.

Wiring the Connections

For further details on DANTE networking, please refer to https://www.audinate.com



5.6.5 RAVENNA IO

The RAVENNA IO ports can connect the Nova73 to a partnering device, or stream audio to and from the network via RAVENNA Net Tie-lines. In each case, the connection type (RAVENNA Link or RAVENNA Net) and function (remote IO device or tie-line) is determined by the AdminHD configuration when you define the IO port. The following functionality is supported:

- DALLIS and Compact IO can connect via RAVENNA Link or RAVENNA Net.
- Virtual Devices always connect via RAVENNA Net.
- Port redundancy can be configured for DALLIS frames with two RAVENNA master boards.
- SMPTE 2022-7 can be configured for compatible partnering devices and/or RAVENNA Net Tie-lines.

The connection type affects the physical wiring: RAVENNA Net devices *must* connect via the Streaming Network; RAVENNA Link devices *must* be directly wired (point-to-point).

For RAVENNA Net Tie-lines, once the AdminHD configuration is in place the TX and RX streams must be set up manually using the RAVENNA Web UI.

RAVENNA Link

All RAVENNA Link interfaces provide:

- RAVENNA Link 1.0: multi-channel digital audio-over-IP.
- Per port: up to 128 bi-directional channels at 48kHz AND 96kHz.

RAVENNA Link connections *must* be directly wired.

Providing the physical connections match the AdminHD configuration, the interface is self-configuring. Thus, once you have connected the ports, no further network configuration is necessary.

To guarantee low latency, reliability and easy setup, do *NOT* connect any other network equipment between RAVENNA Link connections.

RAVENNA Net

All RAVENNA Net interfaces provide:

- AES67/RAVENNA: multi-channel digital audio-over-IP.
- Per port: up to 128 bi-directional channels at 48kHz AND 96kHz.
- Per port: up to 128 TX and 128 RX streams.

RAVENNA Net connections *must* be made via the streaming network (i.e. to and from a RAVENNA-compatible network switch). This ensures that the network's PTP clock signal is available to all streaming ports.

RAVENNA streaming requires proper configuration and management of the data network. The network *must* use a suitable architecture; all components must support multicast (as opposed to unicast); a proper Quality of Service (QoS) must be configured; and so on.

Please *DO NOT* attempt to connect RAVENNA interfaces using an unqualifying IP network, as correct streaming operation cannot be guaranteed.



Cable Specifications

Each RAVENNA interface (Link or Net) can connect via copper and/or optical fibre, unless otherwise specified.

Copper

Choose an Ethernet cable that meets the following specification:

- CAT 5 or better (CAT 5e/6/7); straight (1:1) or crossed Ethernet cable.
- Connector Type: RJ45.
- 1000, 100 or 10 Base-TX LAN; 1000 Base-TX (Gigabit Ethernet) is recommended.
- Cable Length: up to 80m.

Optical Fibre (via SFP Modules)

To use the optical fibre ports, please fit one of the Lawo-certified <u>SFP Modules</u>. Note that the SFPs *must* be Lawo-certified. Options include mulit-mode and single-mode fibre, supporting a choice of maximum cable lengths.

If Both Copper and Fibre are Connected

If both copper and fibre are installed at start-up, fibre is the preferred medium. In either case, the second medium can be hot-plugged without disturbing the current operating connection. If a connection breaks, then the interface automatically switches to the second medium (if installed). Note that there will be an audible audio interruption until the automatic stream setup re-establishes the connection. Therefore, the second medium should not be used to provide redundancy.

Status LEDs

Each dual-media RAVENNA interface provides the following status LEDs:

LOCK / ERR

- Green, static = the link is active, and the signal and streaming are ok.
- **Red, static or blinking** = the link is active but has one of the following errors: streaming format error, streaming lock error or stream is asynchronous.
- Off = no signal.

STDBY

- Yellow = the port is configured as a <u>redundant</u> port and is in standby.
- Off = the port is active.

5.6.6 RAVENNA SERVICE Ports

Both the Nova73 981/61 RAVENNA IO module and DALLIS 947/21 & 22 Master Boards include a service port.

The Nova73 981/61 **SERVICE** ports *must* connect to the Router Module's **ETHERNET B** port via the Service Network. This connection is required to support the forwarding of control, configuration and software updates from the Router Module MKII to the 981/61 RAVENNA IO modules and their partnering devices: DALLIS, Local IO, Compact IO and A__line.

The DALLIS 947/21,22 **CTRL** ports can be left unconnected, as all control, configuration and software updates arrive, physically, via the streaming ports. (Note that the CTRL ports can still be addressed "virtually" by connecting to their IP address).

Both ports use a standard RJ45, CAT5 Ethernet connection. The cable length can be up to 100m.





5.6.7 MIC, LINE, AES3, SDI, GPIO, etc.

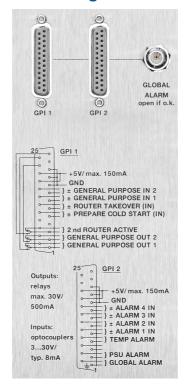
All other audio and GPIO devices can be wired to the:

- Nova73 see Nova73 Plug-in Modules.
- DALLIS see DALLIS Plug-in Interfaces.
- Compact IO see Compact IO.

5.6.8 SYNC IN & OUT

See Synchronization.

5.6.9 Nova73 Global Alarm & Control Signals



On the rear of the Nova73 are the following GPI and Global Alarm connectors:

- GPI 1 & 2 two 25-pin D-type connectors carrying various input and output signals.
- GLOBAL ALARM a BNC carrying the global alarm; closed = the global alarm is active.

The GPI inputs are opto-couplers; accept voltages of 3V..20V; draw a typical current of 8 mA; and are floating and galvanically isolated.

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The GPI outputs are relays; output a maximum of 30V / 500 mA; and are floating and galvanically isolated.

On both D-type connectors, you can pick up a short-circuit proof voltage feed (+5V, max 150mA).



GPI₁

> Inputs

- GENERAL PURPOSE IN 1 & 2 can be used for project-specific applications (factory-configured).
- **ROUTER TAKEOVER (IN)** will force a manual <u>takeover</u> to the redundant Router Module if one is fitted. The takeover is triggered by a positive edge at the input.
- PREPARE COLDSTART (IN) will force a <u>cold start</u> when the Nova73 powers on. The cold start is triggered if a voltage is supplied to the input.

> Outputs

- **2nd ROUTER ACTIVE** reports the status of the <u>redundant</u> Router Module. Contact closed = redundant Router Module is active.
- GENERAL PURPOSE OUT 1 & 2 can be for project-specific applications (factory-configured).

GPI₂

> Inputs

The ALARM 1 to 4 inputs can be used to monitor peripheral devices which are external to the main system. These inputs *MUST* be factory-configured.

Each alarm is triggered by an applied voltage. When the input is open or grounded, the alarm is canceled.

Within AdminHD, you can assign a text error message to each input, and define whether the input activates the global alarm. The default configuration is:

- ALARM 1 IN = failure of external clock supply (activates the global alarm).
- ALARM 2 IN = failure of external power supply (activates the global alarm).
- ALARM 3 IN = failure of external IO system (activates the global alarm).
- ALARM 4 IN = the external device is exceeding its operating temperature (activates the global alarm).

> Outputs

These outputs report the status of the mc²/Nova system components. Note that the TEMP and PSU ALARMS will also activate the global alarm.

- **TEMP ALARM** contact closed = a Nova73 Router Module is exceeding its operating temperature: > 45° C (activates the global alarm).
- **PSU ALARM** contact closed = a failure of either of the Nova73 PSUs (activates the global alarm).
- GLOBAL ALARM contact closed = the global alarm is active.



5.6.10 DALLIS Local Alarm & Force M2 Signals



On the rear of each DALLIS are the ALARM and FORCE M2 connectors.

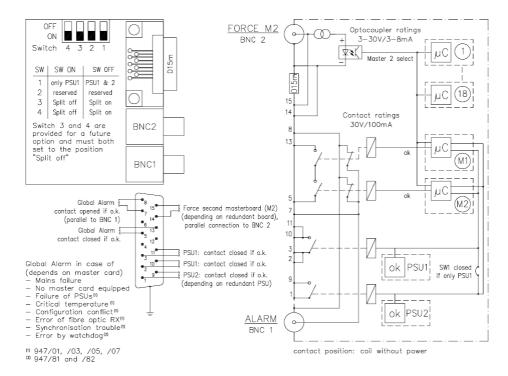
The following contacts are accessible via the ALARM FORCE M2 (15-pin D-type) connector:

- Force second masterboard M2 (Pins 14&15) use this input to force a redundant Master Board takeover (if two master boards are fitted to the DALLIS). The takeover is triggered by a positive edge at the input.
- Alarm (Pins 7&8) this contact signals that the DALLIS local alarm is active (closed status).
- Alarm Inverted (Pins 5&13) as above, but the status is inverted.
- PSU 1 (Pins 3&11; Pins 2&10) these contacts report the failure of PSU 1 (closed status).
- PSU 2 (Pins 1&9) this contact reports the failure of PSU 2, if fitted (closed status).

The two BNC connectors provide:

- FORCE M2 use this input to force a redundant Master Board takeover (as above).
- ALARM outputs the <u>DALLIS local alarm</u>.

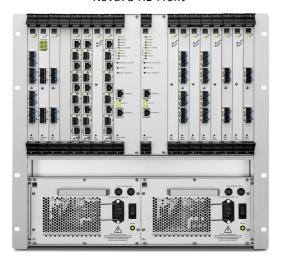
ALARM FORCE M2 D-type & Block Diagram





5.6.11 Wiring from the Nova73

Nova73 HD Front





Note that the wiring from the Nova73 Compact is identical to the Nova73 HD, other than there is no support for the BNC AES3 Rear Connector Panel.

Front Connections

- **PSU 1** & **2** see <u>Nova73 power</u>. Only one PSU is essential for operation; the second provides redundancy.
- Router Module(s) MKII:
 - o ETHERNET A is unused on the Nova73.
 - o <u>ETHERNET B</u> connects to the Lawo control system network.
- MADI, RAVENNA & DANTE connect to remote IO options such as DALLIS or Compact IO, or to external IO devices via tie-lines.

If two Router Modules are fitted, then run ETHERNET A and ETHERNET B connections from both the main and redundant Router Modules.

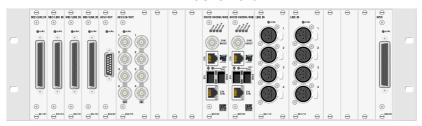
Rear Connections

- **synchronization Ports** see <u>Synchronization</u>. If a sync reference is not connected, or invalid, then the system switches automatically to internal sync.
- GPI 1 & 2, Global ALARM see Nova73 Alarm & Control Contacts.
- AES3 Breakout Connectors see Nova73 rear connector panels.



5.6.12 Wiring from a DALLIS

DALLIS 3RU Front



DALLIS 3RU Rear



Note that the wiring from a DALLIS 6RU is identical to the 3RU, other than the different IO card breakouts.

Front Connections

- DALLIS Master Board(s):
 - o MADI or RAVENNA connect to the Nova73, see DALLIS Interfaces.
 - o CTRL, WCLK, SYNC on some master boards, you will find additional connections for a control computer and local sync. Please refer to the master board's data sheet for details.
- DALLIS IO Cards connect to external IO devices. For breakout options, see DALLIS Interfaces.

Note that in mc^2 /Nova installations, external sync is usually connected to the Nova73 and not a DALLIS. See <u>Synchronization</u>.

If two DALLIS master boards are fitted, then you can configure Link & Port Redundancy.

Rear Connections

• **PSU 1** & **2** - see <u>DALLIS power</u>. Only one PSU is essential for operation; the second provides redundancy.

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• ALARM & FORCE M2 - see DALLIS Local Alarm & Force M2 Signals.



5.7 Checking the System

The system starts automatically when power is supplied to the Nova73.

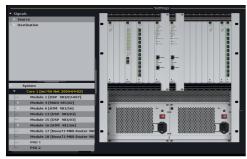
Once boot-up is complete, the **ACTIVE** LEDs on all plug-in modules should blink synchronously. The router is now ready for operation.

At the end of the boot sequence, the system loads its warm start data which includes the latest configuration data (as defined by AdminHD).

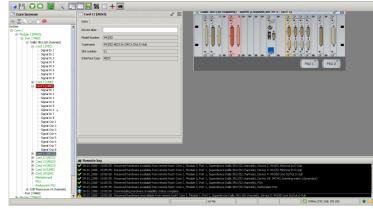
Checking the Components

You can monitor the real-time status of the system's hardware components by opening the **Signal Settings** display on mxGUI, or running AdminHD in online mode:

Signal Settings display



AdminHD (online)



If all components are operating correctly, then they appear in grey.

If a component is not installed or connected, then it is highlighted in red.

If a component is not yet configured, then you will need to use AdminHD to modify the Core configuration. AdminHD is described in the next chapter.

Checking the ACTIVE LEDs

The **ACTIVE** LEDs on all Nova73 modules and DALLIS cards should blink in time with each other at around 1Hz. This shows that the card is synchronous to the rest of the system. If an LED is out of sync, then check that the card is fitted correctly. If the symptom persists, replace the plug-in card.

Checking the Audio Paths

If everything is correctly configured, open the **Signal List** display on mxGUI to line-check each of your Sources and Destinations.

If the Signal List is not yet configured, then this can also be edited using AdminHD.

Useful Tools for Diagnostics

Please see <u>Software Tools & Diagnostics</u>.



6. Configuration (AdminHD)

This chapter covers **AdminHD**, Lawo's software tool for remote configuration of all mc²/Nova systems. Topics include:

- Introduction
- Prerequisites
- Installation
- Basic Operations
- Working with the Configuration Windows
- How to Modify the System Configuration
- Updating the Cold Start Configuration
- Saving the Configuration (as AdminHD Files)
- Editing the Core Configuration
- Editing the Signal List Configuration
- Online Operations
- Documenting the Configuration
- More About the Configuration Files
- Using AdminHD with mxGUI
- Core Configuration Parameters

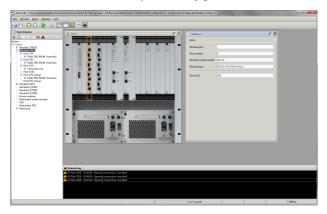


6.1 Introduction

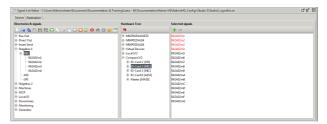
AdminHD is the Lawo software application used to configure all mc²/Nova systems. It can also be used as a diagnostics tool and to document the configuration.

The software is responsible for generating the Core configuration (**config.tcl**) and Signal List configuration (**gui_config.tcl**), which define the system components and organization of the **Signal List** display.

AdminHD: System Configuration



AdminHD: Signal List Editor



The .tcl files created by AdminHD are an essential part of the system. If a hardware component is not defined within these files, then it will not be visible to the user even if it is powered and connected. In other words, the configuration is always the 'master' of the system, regardless of what physical components are added or removed. This brings a number of advantages:

- The configuration is always controlled by AdminHD.
- You can configure components which may not be permanently connected, such as Stageboxes, so that routes can be made to/from these devices without relying on a physical hardware connection.
- You can easily check if a configuration change is supported. If a component or parameter is not available within the AdminHD software, then it is 'illegal'. This allows you to prepare configuration updates offline, and upload them to the system with confidence.
- AdminHD can connect to the control system of mxGUI. This allows you to open mxGUI using a preprepared configuration in order to create user settings ahead of an event.

Configuration Files & Editing

The **config.tcl** and **gui_config.tcl** files are stored on the mc²/Nova control system, and are read following a cold start. The configuration then forms part of the online data which is loaded following a warm start.

AdminHD cannot edit the .tcl files directly, but can download the online configuration from the mc²/Nova control system, and save it locally as a .csv and .slx. These file types can then be opened and edited by any AdminHD (running a compatible software release).

Once editing is complete, you can choose to update the online configuration, or export and upload new versions of the cold start **.tcl** files. For permanent changes to the configuration, you should *always* upload new versions of the cold start files, as this will ensure that any changes are not lost following a cold start.

The table below summarises the files read by the system and by AdminHD:

	Cold Start File (read by the system)	AdminHD File
Core configuration	config.tcl	config.csv
Signal List configuration	gui_config.tcl	signal_list.slx

Note that the **config.tcl** and **gui_config.tcl** *must* not be renamed (otherwise they will be ignored by the system). The AdminHD files can be given any name as long as they keep their **.csv** and **.slx** suffix.



6.2 Prerequisites

Compatibility

AdminHD can connect to any mc² or Nova system.

It is mandatory that the system software version matches that of AdminHD to ensure proper functionality.

All Lawo products use a consistent software release numbering system to indicate compatibility. In each case, the first three digits of the software versions *must* match. So, for example, to connect to and configure a system running **5.14.0.0**, you will need to run AdminHD **5.14.0.x**.

Note that configurations saved by an earlier version of AdminHD can be opened in a later release. However, configurations saved by a newer release are not backwards compatible.

You can check your system's software version from the "Global Options" in the **System Settings** display, and the AdminHD version from the **Info** main menu.

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Host Computer System Requirements

To install and run AdminHD, your computer MUST meet or exceed the following system requirements:

Windows PC:

• Hardware: 500MHz.

Operating System: Windows 7, 8, 8.1 or 10 (32-bit and 64-bit)

RAM: 2GB.

• Hard Disc: minimum 200 MB free space.

• Operation: Keyboard and mouse.

Interface: Ethernet 10/100Mbit.

MAC:

• Hardware: 500MHz.

• Operating System: MAC OS X 10.6 (Snow Leopard) or higher.

RAM: 2GB

• Hard Disc: minimum 200 MB free space.

Operation: Keyboard and mouse.

• Interface: Ethernet 10/100Mbit.



6.3 Installation

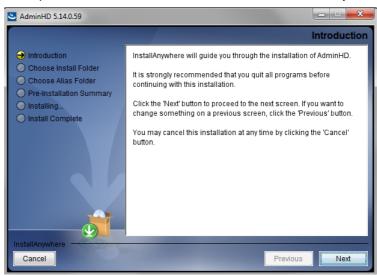
AdminHD is a free of charge application which does not require a software licence.

The AdminHD installer is packaged with the software release for your product which is available from the **Download-Center** at www.lawo.com (after **Login**). Take care to download the correct version - the first three digits of the release must match that of your mc²/Nova system.

You can install multiple versions of AdminHD on the same computer; there is no need to uninstall older versions. This is particularly useful if you need to connect to systems running different software versions.

- 1. Copy the AdminHD_Release_X-X-X-X.zip onto your computer and unpack the file.
- 2. Double-click on the relevant installer.

AdminHD is delivered in a compressed format, so it can take a few seconds before you see the 'Setup Wizard':



When running Windows 7, you may be prompted to allow changes to your User Account; select **Yes** to continue.

- 3. Follow the Wizard's instructions accepting the default options provided.
- 4. When you reach the 'Summary' window, check the options and click **Install**.

The software is installed onto your computer; this will take a few minutes. By default, files are installed in the location: 'C:\Program Files\Lawo/AdminHD X.XX'. where X.XX is the release version.

- 5. When the installation is complete, a confirmation window will appear.
- **6.** Click on **Finish** to exit the 'Setup Wizard'.

If you have any problems with the software installation, please contact your local Lawo representative or email support@lawo.com.



6.3.1 Additional Notes for MAC OS X Installation

If you are running **MAC OS X 10.8.x.x** (Mountain Lion), then you can see the following error message after double-clicking on the "install.exe" file:



This error can appear if your "Gatekeeper.app" does not allow installation from downloads which are not from the MAC App Store. To change this setting:

1. Select "System Preferences -> Security & Privacy" and set the "Allow applications downloaded from:" as follows:



2. Then retry opening the AdminHD "install.exe" file.

6.3.2 Uninstall & Update

Uninstalling AdminHD

On Windows 7, use the "Uninstall a program" option within the Control Panel to uninstall AdminHD. On MAC OS X, remove the program from your "Applications" folder.

Updating AdminHD

To update to a newer version of AdminHD, simply run the installer; there is no need to uninstall older versions.



6.3.3 Connecting Your Computer to the Lawo Control System

In order to transfer configuration data, or run AdminHD online, you will need a valid network connection between your computer and the $mc^2/Nova$ control system.

- 1. Connect your computer to the Lawo control system, either directly or via a network switch. See ETHERNETB.
- 2. Configure the <u>TCP/IP settings</u> of the computer's Network Interface Card.

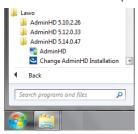
Note that it is possible to open and edit existing .csv and .slx files without a network connection to the system.



6.4 Basic Operations

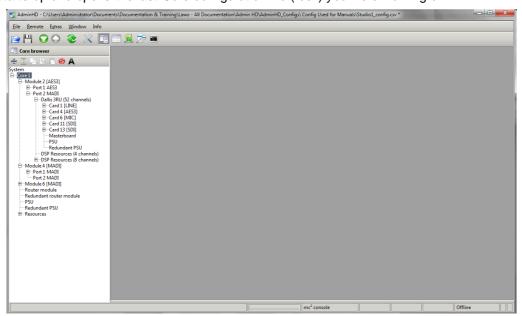
6.4.1 Starting the Application

Start the program by selecting AdminHD from the START menu (Windows) or Applications folder (MAC):

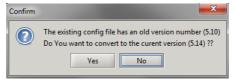


It is important to choose the correct version of AdminHD: the first three digits *must* match those of the system you wish to configure.

AdminHD starts up and opens the last Core configuration file (.csv) you were working on:



The following dialogue pop-up appears if there is a mismatch between the AdminHD software version and the configuration file you are trying to open:



Select **Yes** to convert the file to the newer AdminHD release. Or, select **No** to leave the file unchanged and open AdminHD without any configuration data.

If this is the first time you have started AdminHD, or a file could not be opened, then AdminHD opens with an empty operating window.

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To start working with the software, you can either start a new session, or open an existing .csv file.



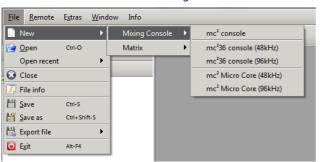
6.4.2 File -> New

This operation creates a new AdminHD session.

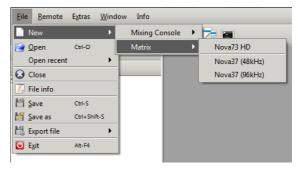
1. Select File -> New from the main menus, and choose the system you wish to configure.

There are two possible menu branches: **Mixing Console** or routing **Matrix**:

File -> New -> Mixing Console



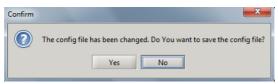
File -> New -> Matrix



To configure a mc²56, mc²66 or mc²96, select **mc² console**.

Otherwise, select the correct option for your product: mc^236 console, mc^2 Micro Core, Nova73 HD or Nova37. For the mc^236 , Micro Core and Nova37, take care to choose the correct maximum sampling rate (either 48kHz or 96kHz), as this cannot be changed later. Note that, for a mc^2 console or Nova73 HD, the maximum sampling rate is set later when you define the system Core.

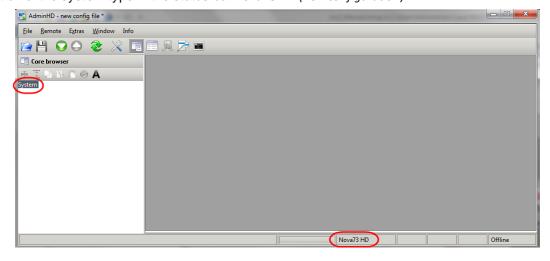
2. If changes have been made to the current AdminHD session, then you are asked if you wish to save before proceeding:



Select **Yes** to <u>save</u> the configuration (as a .csv file), or **No** to continue without saving. (Alternatively, click on the red/white cross to cancel the dialogue box and the operation.)

The new session opens.

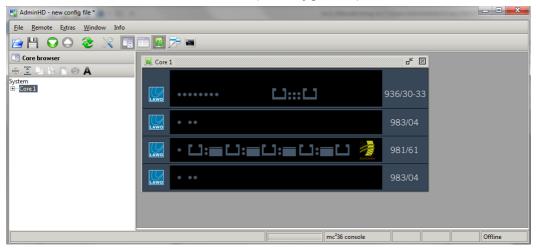
If you selected mc² console or Nova73 HD, then you will see the entry **System** in the 'Core Browser' and confirmation of the system type in the status bar: Nova73 HD (new configuration)





If you selected one of the mc^236 console, Nova37 or Micro Core options, then you will see the standard configuration for the selected system:

mc²36 Console (new configuration)



The **Preferences** -> **Startup** options can be used to automatically open the 'Core Browser' and/or 'Remote Log' whenever you create a new configuration.

Next Steps

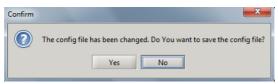
From here you can either download the existing configuration data from the remote system or build a new Core configuration.



6.4.3 File -> Open

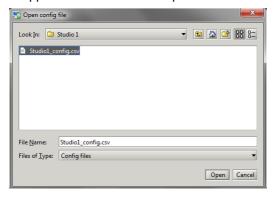
To open an existing Core configuration (.csv file) stored on your computer:

- 1. Select File -> Open from the main menus, or click on the Toolbar icon, or use the keyboard shortcut (CTRL + O).
- 2. If changes have been made to the current AdminHD session, then you are asked if you wish to save before proceeding:

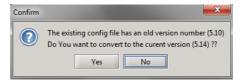


Select **Yes** to <u>save</u> the configuration (as a .csv file), or **No** to continue without saving. (Alternatively, click on the red/white cross to cancel the dialogue box and the operation.)

3. A file explorer window now appears - select a file to open and click on **Open**.

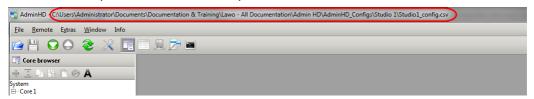


If the file was saved using an older version of AdminHD, then you will be asked if you wish to convert it:



Select **Yes** to convert the file to the newer AdminHD release. (Or, **No** to leave the file unchanged and open AdminHD without any data.)

The file opens, with the file path and name at the top of the window:



If there is a problem opening the file, then check the file type and the AdminHD version:

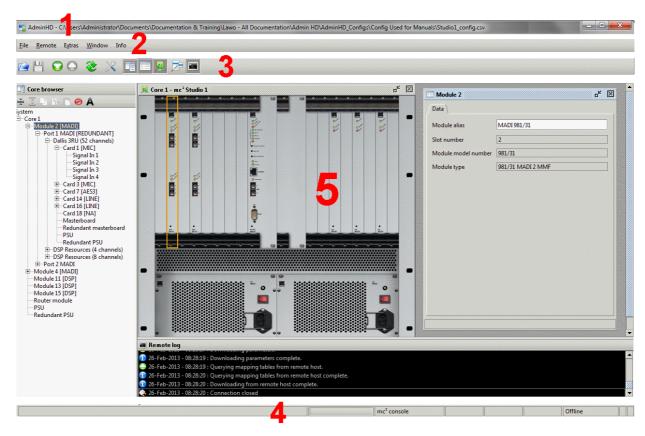
- AdminHD can only open .csv files (not .tcl).
- .csv files saved using a newer release of AdminHD are not backwards compatible.

The **Preferences** -> **Startup** options can be used to automatically open the 'Core Browser' and/or 'Remote Log' whenever you open a configuration.

You can use **File** -> **Open recent** to open a recent configuration.



6.4.4 The Main Operating Areas



There are five main operating areas:

1 Headline

Here you will see the file name and path of the Core configuration (.csv). If no path is present, then this is a <u>new</u> session. If the file name is followed by an asterisk (*), then changes have been made since the last <u>save</u>.

2 Main Menus

The five main menus are described later.

3 Toolbar

These buttons provide fast access to common functions. They are described <u>later</u>.

4 Status Bar

Here you will see information about AdminHD, such as the current configuration type (e.g. mc^2 console), and the online/offline status.

5 Configuration Windows

In the central working area you can open a mixture of configuration windows. In our example, the 'Core Browser', 'Hardware Panel', 'Parameter Box' and 'Remote Log' are all in view.

To show or hide a window, use its Toolbar icon, Window menu option or keyboard shortcut:



If an option is greyed out, then it is not currently available. For example, the 'Hardware Panel' can *only* be opened once a valid component is selected in the 'Core Browser'.



The main function of each configuration window is as follows:

Core Browser	Displays the Core configuration in a tree-like structure. From here you can navigate around the system, and add or remove components. When running online, components are color-coded to provide system diagnostics.	
Hardware Panel	Provides a graphical view of the selected component. From here you can also add or remove components, and check their real-time status (when running online).	
Parameter Box	Shows the parameters for the selected component. From here you can view and edit the parameters stored in the Core configuration. This includes system-wide parameters such as sync settings and signal parameters for each locard.	
Signal List Editor	Provides everything required to modify the Signal List configuration. From here you can download, edit, export and upload the cold start Signal List configuration file (gui_config.tcl). And, save a copy on your AdminHD computer (as a .slx file).	
Remote Log	Logs all the messages generated by AdminHD and, when running online, the connected control system. It is a good idea to open this window, especially when transferring data to or from a system.	

6.4.5 Arranging the Workspace

The configuration windows are rarely used in isolation. For example, to edit the Core configuration, you will need to open the 'Core Browser', 'Hardware Panel' and 'Parameter Box'.

Note that, when open, the 'Core Browser' always appears on the left and the 'Remote Log' at the bottom of the workspace. These windows cannot be minimized or repositioned.

The 'Hardware Panel', 'Parameter Box' and 'Signal List Editor' can be arranged as follows:

- 1. Click on let to close a window.
- 2. Click on to minimise a window.

Minimised windows are reduced to a button - click on the button to restore the window to its original size and position.

3. To change the size of a window, point to the relevant margin or corner, and drag left/right or up/down accordingly.

Note that the 'Hardware Panel' cannot be resized.

4. To move a window, place the mouse pointer over the title bar of the window. Then drag and drop the window to its new position.



6.4.6 The Main Menus File



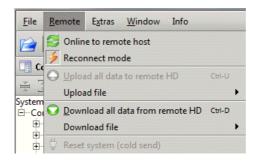
Use the File menu to:

- New create a new AdminHD session.
- Open open a Core configuration file (.csv).
- Open recent open a recent .csv file.
- Close close the current AdminHD session. You will be prompted to save before closing.
- File info open a dialogue box with information about the AdminHD file.
- Save and Save as save the Core configuration as a .csv file.
- Export file export the following file types:
 - o Core cold start config (config.tcl) the cold start Core configuration (for upload to the system).

- RAVENNA IP List (ravenna_ip_list.csv) a list of the Device IDs and IP settings for all RAVENNA nodes (for documentation purposes).
- o Component List a component parts list (for documentation purposes).
- o **BFE controller** a BFE controller file (for project-specific applications).
- o Remote log the contents of the 'Remote Log' (for diagnostic purposes).
- Exit close the AdminHD software. You will be prompted to save before exiting.



Remote



Use the **Remote** menu to:

- Online to remote system enable (or disable) the online connection to the remote control system.
- **Reconnect mode** when enabled, AdminHD attempts to automatically reconnect to the remote control system if network communication is interrupted.
- **Upload all data to remote HD** <u>update</u> the online Core configuration. This method should *only* be used for testing purposes or to make temporary changes to the configuration.
- **Upload file** <u>upload</u> the following cold start files *to* the remote system:
 - o Core cold start config (config.tcl) the Core configuration.
 - o **GUI cold start config (gui_config.tcl)** the Signal List configuration.
- Download all data from remote HD download the online Core configuration from the remote system.
- **Download file** <u>download</u> the following cold start files *from* the remote system:
 - o Core cold start config (config.tcl) the Core configuration.
 - o **GUI cold start config (gui_config.tcl)** the Signal List configuration.
 - System log messages the control system log file.
- Reset system (cold send) cold start the remote control system (available in online mode only).



Extras



• Lock config - when enabled, the configuration cannot be edited. You can use this option to prevent accidental changes while running AdminHD online (for system diagnostics).

Parameter Box

- Comfort text edit mode or Stereo text edit mode enable these options to use the naming short cuts in the Signal 'Parameter Box'.
- Replace all signal labels with default name use this option to replace all <u>Signal Label</u> fields with the defaults.
- o **Replace all default HLSD classes with new Nework index** use this option to reset the HLSD classes to the system <u>network index</u> (in a multi-system network).

For example, if the index = 2, then the resulting default HLSD classes (in/out) = B2R and B2S.

- Show mapping table opens an overview of the mapping tables 1 to 16.
- Check configuration checks the Core configuration for programming errors.
- Preferences opens the AdminHD Preferences window.

Window

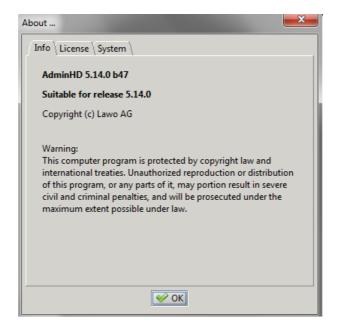


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Use these options to show or hide each of the configuration windows.



Info



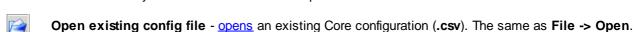
Select Info to check the version of the AdminHD software release.



6.4.7 The Main Toolbar



The main toolbar is always visible. The first six icons provide fast access to common functions:



- Save changed config file saves the current Core configuration (.csv). The same as File -> Save.
- **Download all data from remote HD** <u>downloads</u> the online Core configuration *from* the remote system. The same as **Remote -> Download all data from remote HD**.
- **Upload all data from remote HD** <u>updates</u> the online Core configuration. This option is available in online mode only, and is the same as **Remote -> Upload all data from remote HD**.
- Online to remote host enables (or disables) the online connection to the remote system. The same as Remote -> Online to remote system.
- Preferences opens the AdminHD Preferences window. The same as Extras -> Preferences.

The remaining icons show or hide each of the configuration windows:

- Core Browser displays the Core configuration in a tree-like structure.
- Parameter Box displays the parameter window for the selected component.
- Hardware Panel displays a graphical view of the selected component.
- Signal List Editor provides everything required to manage the Signal List configuration.
- Remote Log logs all status messages for AdminHD and, when online, the connected control system.

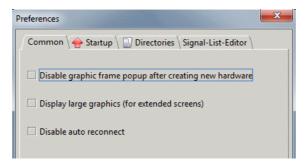


6.4.8 Preferences

- 1. Select Extras -> Preferences from the main menus, or click on the Toolbar icon, or press CTRL + P to open the 'Preferences' pop-up window.
- Use the tabs to select a page.
- 3. Select or unselect a preference.
- 4. Click **OK** to save your changes.
- 5. Restart AdminHD or re-open the relevant window for the changes to take affect.

Your preferences are stored in the setup files for the software. Therefore, they will remain as you last left them each time you start the program.

Preferences -> Common



- **Disable graphic frame pop-up after creating new hardware** tick this box if you wish to stop AdminHD automatically displaying the 'Hardware Panel' when new hardware is added to the configuration.
- **Display large graphics (for extended screens)** select this option if you are working with a larger screen (e.g. 21"). The graphics are doubled in size.
- **Disable auto reconnect** tick this box to prevent AdminHD automatically reconnecting to the <u>online</u> system if network communication is interrupted.

Preferences -> Startup

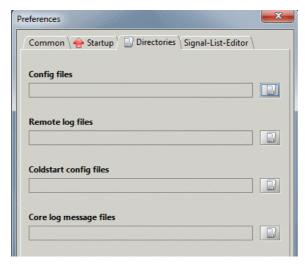


The start-up options apply when you open or create a new configuration.

- **Hide Core Browser** tick this box if you do *NOT* want the 'Core Browser' to appear automatically.
- Show remote log tick this box if you DO want the 'Remote log' to appear automatically.



Preferences -> Directories



From here, you can specify the default directory paths which will be used each time you save, open, export or download a file:

- 1. Click on the folder button next to the entry you want to specify e.g. beside **Config files**. A file dialogue box appears.
- 2. Select the folder where you usually want to save your files and click on **Open**. The file dialogue closes and the path is displayed in the **Preferences** field.

- 3. Repeat for all the AdminHD file types:
 - Config files AdminHD configuration files (config.csv).
 - Remote logfiles 'Remote log' text files.
 - Coldstart config files config.tcl and gui_config.tcl files.
 - Core log message files system log text files.



Preferences -> Signal List Editor



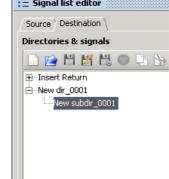
These preferences affect how the 'Signal List Editor' creates new signal lists.

The first two options affect mc² mixing systems only:

- Enable physical Inputs/Monitors in DSP profile tick this option to add the physical inputs of the mc² input and monitor channel DSP channel to the default directories of the **Destination** page.
- **Disable A/B of Inputs/Monitors in DSP profile** untick this option if you do *NOT* wish to add the mc² input and monitor channel DSP signals to the default directories of the **Destination** page.

Enable physical Inputs/Monitors in DSP profile (ticked)





Disable A/B of Inputs/Monitor in DSP profile (ticked)

The second two options affect all mc²/Nova systems:

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- Show foreign signals if already in matrix list affects networked systems. For further advice, please contact your local Lawo representative or email support@lawo.com.
- **Skip using device alias for directory auto creation** tick this option if you do *NOT* want to use the Super-device alias names when directories are automatically added to the signal list.



6.5 Working with the Configuration Windows

This section describes how to use each of the configuration windows.

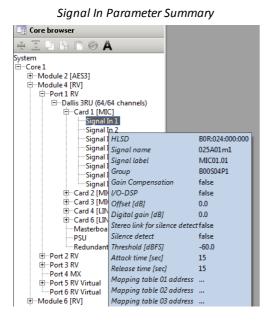
6.5.1 The 'Core Browser'

The 'Core Browser' displays the system's hardware components in a tree-like structure. From here you can navigate around the system, and add or remove components. When running online, it can also be used for system diagnostics.

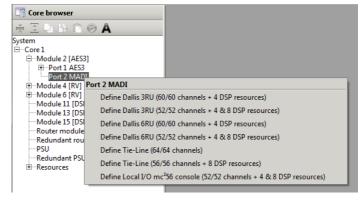
1. Select **Window** -> **Core Browser** from the main menus, or click on the Toolbar icon, or use the keyboard shortcut (**CTRL** + **SHIFT** + **B**) to show or hide the window.

The 'Core Browser' always appears on the left hand side of the central workspace.

- 2. Click on the + or signs to open or close a branch of the system tree. Or, use the arrow keys on your computer keyboard: Up/Down to navigate and Left/Right to open and close the selected branch.
- 3. Hover over an individual signal to display its parameters summary.
- 4. Right-click on a component to define its function or delete the resource.







The **System** tree is arranged as follows:

System	Each configuration consists of a single System containing all the hardware components for your installation.	
Core	Within the System , you define the Core .	
Modules	The Core is then populated with Modules . For example, MADI, RAVENNA, DSP, etc. Standard components, such as the Router module and PSUs are added automatically when you define the Core.	
Ports	Each Module can then be opened to view its IO Ports . In the case of a MADI or RAVENNA module, the ports can be defined for a number of options: for example, to connect to a DALLIS, Compact IO, etc.	
Cards	If a remote IO device is added, then it can be populated with Cards - for example, MIC, LINE, etc.	
Signals	At the lowest level of the system tree are the signals themselves - for example, Card 1 contains the mic/line input signals: Signal In 1, Signal In 2, etc.	



Core Browser Toolbar



At the top of the 'Core Browser' is a toolbar which contains the following functions:

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Collapse all sub nodes - collapses the selected branch.

Expand all sub nodes - expands the selected branch.

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Copy - copies the selected component (including all sub nodes).



Cut - cuts the selected component (including all sub nodes).



Paste - pastes the copied component (including its sub nodes) to the selected branch.



Delete - deletes the selected component.



Alias - displays the <u>device alias</u> names rather than the Lawo system names.

6.5.2 The 'Hardware Panel'

The 'Hardware Panel' provides a graphical view of the selected component, and can also be used to add or remove components. When running online, it can also be used for system diagnostics.

- 1. First select a hardware component in the in the 'Core Browser'.
- 2. Then select **Window** -> **Hardware Panel** from the main menus, or click on the Toolbar icon, or use the keyboard shortcut (**CTRL** + **SHIFT** + **F**) to show or hide the window.

The 'Hardware Panel' can be positioned anywhere within the central workspace as described earlier.

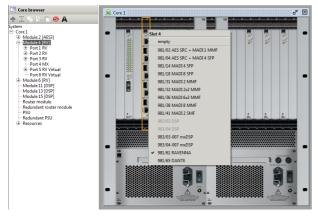
Note that 'Hardware Panel' cannot be opened if **System** is selected in the 'Core Browser', as there is no valid component to display!

3. Select a module in the 'Hardware Panel' and notice that the 'Core Browser' selection follows.

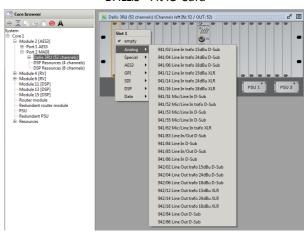
Similarly, select a different component in the 'Core Browser' and notice that the 'Hardware Panel' updates.

4. Right-click on a component to reveal its configuration options.

Nova73 - Fit IO Module



DALLIS - Fit IO Card





6.5.3 The 'Parameter Box'

The 'Parameter Box' is used to adjust settings for the selected component or signal. It works in conjunction with the 'Core Browser' and 'Hardware Panel' to define the Core configuration.

1. Open the 'Core Browser' and double-click on a component or signal - for example, Signal In 1.

Or, select the component or signal in the system tree, and then select **Window** -> **Parameter Box** from the main menus, click on the Toolbar icon, or use the keyboard shortcut (**CTRL** + **SHIFT** + **P**) to show or hide the window.

The 'Parameter Box' can be positioned anywhere within the central workspace as described earlier.

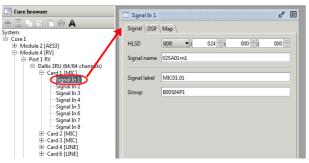
- 3. Select a different component or signal in the system tree and notice that the 'Parameter Box' updates.
- 4. Use the tabs in the window to page through the available options for example: **Signal**, **DSP** and **Map**.

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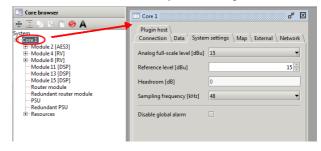
Note that:

- White parameter fields and drop-down menus can be edited.
- Grey parameter fields are usually for information purposes and cannot be modified.
- · Check boxes can selected or deselected.

DALLIS Mic In - Signal Parameters



Nova73 Core - System Settings





6.5.4 The 'Remote Log'

The 'Remote Log' lists all the messages generated by AdminHD (and by the mc²/Nova control system when running online). It is a good idea to open this window, especially when transferring data to or from a system.

1. Select **Window** -> **Remote Log** from the main menus, or click on the Toolbar icon, or use the keyboard shortcut (CTRL + SHIFT + L) to show or hide the window.

The 'Remote Log' always appears at the bottom of the central workspace.

The log displays all errors and queries since AdminHD was started - for example:

```
Remote log

25 Feb-2018 - 14:59:09 : Downloading parameters complete.

25 Feb-2018 - 14:59:09 : Querying mapping tables from remote host.

25 Feb-2018 - 14:59:09 : Querying mapping tables from remote host complete.

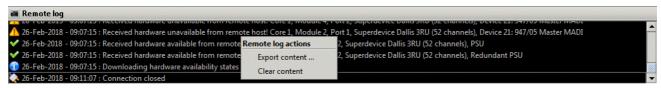
25 Feb-2018 - 14:59:09 : Downloading from remote host complete.
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Scroll up to view the log history.

The 'Remote Log' stores all messages while AdminHD is running. If you exit AdminHD and re-open it, then the previous log will be lost.

> To save the log contents:

1. Right-click anywhere within the window, and select **Export content.** (or select **File** -> **Export File** from the main menus and choose **Remote Log**):



A "File -> Save" dialogue box appears.

Select a folder, enter a file name and click on Save.

The log is stored as a plain text file and can be opened by any common text editor.

You can specify a default directory for your logfiles under the Extras -> Preferences -> Directories.

> To clear the log contents:

1. Right-click anywhere within the window, and select Clear content..

The existing contents of the 'Remote Log' are cleared.

6.5.5 The 'Signal List Editor'

See Signal List Configuration.



6.6 How to Modify the System Configuration

You will need to modify the system configuration if you install a new device or change the hardware in any way.

For the Core configuration, there are two possible methods: update the cold start configuration (**config.tcl**), or upload the current AdminHD session to the online system.

For the Signal List configuration, you must update the cold start configuration (**gui_config.tcl**), as an online update of the Signal List is not possible.

WARNING: Following a cold start the system will *always* reset to the settings stored in the **config.tcl** and **gui_config.tcl** files. So, for all permanent changes, you should *always* use the cold start update method.

Note that you only need to update the Signal List (gui_config.tcl) if you wish to add signals to, or rename Directories or Subdirectories in, mxGUl's Signal List display.

From Version 5.14.0 and Image Version 1.10, every RAVENNA node runs a small tool that connects to the Nova73 MKII control system to get all of the information required to setup their streaming. This means that there is no longer any need for the **ravenna_config.zip** file - everything is now included in the Core configuration (**config.tcl**).

Updating the Cold Start Configuration

To modify the cold start configuration, please complete each of the following steps:

- 1. <u>Install</u> the AdminHD software.
- 2. Connect the AdminHD computer to the Nova73 MKII control system.
- 3. Backup the existing cold start configuration files (config.tcl and gui_config.tcl) from the remote system.

This step will ensure that the original .tcl files can be re-instated if required.

- 4. Cold start the Nova73 MKII control system (to reset the system to its cold start configuration).
- 5. <u>Download</u> the online configuration from the remote system into a new AdminHD session.

In this step, it is the online configuration which is downloaded. Therefore, by cold starting the system first, you will ensure that the online configuration is identical to what is stored in the cold start files.

- 6. Edit the Core configuration (using the 'Core Browser', 'Hardware Panel' and 'Parameter Box').
- 7. Check the Core configuration for any programming errors.
- 8. Edit the Signal List configuration (using the 'Signal List Editor').
- 9. Export the Core and Signal List configuration cold start files (as a new config.tcl and gui_config.tcl).
- 10. <u>Upload</u> the .tcl files from your computer to the Nova73 MKII control system.
- 11. Cold start the Nova73 MKII control system and check the functionality.

Once you have tested the system, it is recommended to <u>save</u> the Core configuration as a **.csv** and the Signal List configuration as **.slx** file. This will allow you to easily maintain the files in the future.

Updating the Online Configuration (Core configuration only)

For temporary changes or testing purposes, you can update the online Core configuration (stored in the warm start data). This method does not require a cold start and, therefore, can be used for matrix installations where continuous operation is required. See <u>Updating the Online Configuration</u>.

Preparing a Configuration (in advance)

If you are unable to connect to the mc²/Nova control system, then another option is to open an existing .csv and/or .slx file. Take care that the .csv and .slx files are the latest versions for your system. If you are unsure, then it is best to download the existing configuration, as described above, or request the latest files!

Creating a New Configuration (from scratch)

If you have neither a network connection or an existing .csv file and/or .slx file, then you will need to create a new AdminHD session and build a configuration from scratch. Note that this method can be time consuming and is not recommended for minor changes to an existing configuration!



6.7 Updating the Cold Start Configuration

This section describes how to update the cold start configuration. We will assume that you have already <u>installed</u> AdminHD and <u>connected</u> the AdminHD computer to the mc²/Nova control system.

6.7.1 Backing up the Cold Start Files

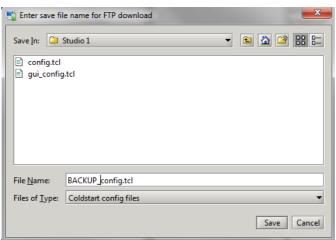
This step is optional but strongly recommended as it will allow you to reinstate the original .tcl files if necessary.

1. Select Remote -> Download file from the main menus, and choose Core cold start config (config.tcl):



2. You are asked to specify a folder location and name for the file.

In our example, we have chosen the folder for the studio, and have renamed the file as BACKUP_config.tcl.



3. Click on Save.

AdminHD downloads the **config.tcl** file from the remote system and saves it in the specified folder using the designated file name. Use the 'Remote Log' window to check the progress of the download.

4. Repeat steps 1 to 3, but this time choose **GUI cold start config (gui_config.tcl)** to make a backup copy of Signal List configuration cold start file.



6.7.2 Downloading the Online Configuration

This step downloads the online configuration data from the remote system. If you wish to work on the cold start configuration, then make sure that you <u>cold start</u> the system before executing the download.

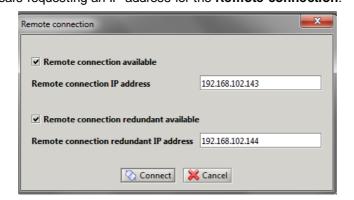
To download the Core configuration:

1. Select File -> New from the main menus to create a new AdminHD session.

Take care to select the correct product option and, if you are downloading data from a mc²36, Nova37 or Micro Core, choose the correct maximum sampling rate (either 48kHz or 96kHz).

2. Select **Remote** -> **Download all data from remote HD** from the main menus, or click on the **D** Toolbar icon, or use the keyboard shortcut (**CTRL** + **D**).





3. Enter the IP address of your control system.

You can check the Lawo system's IP address from mxGUI: open the **System Settings** display and select **Global** - the **IP Address Primary** = the IP address of the main control system.

If a single Router Module is fitted, then enter the main IP address only.

If main and <u>redundant</u> Router Modules are fitted, tick both boxes and enter both IPs; the **redundant IP address** is *always* 1 higher than that of the main control system.

You can connect AdminHD to mxGUI by entering mxGUI's virtual IP address (192.168.56.101).

4. Now click on Connect.

AdminHD downloads the online Core configuration data from the remote system. Use the 'Remote Log' to check the download progress.

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If you have the 'Core Browser' or 'Hardware Panel' open, then you should see their contents update.

If there is a problem with the download, then:

- Check the network connection and TCP/IP settings of your computer's network interface card.
- Check that AdminHD is compatible with the Nova73 MKII system.
- See the trouble-shooting tips.

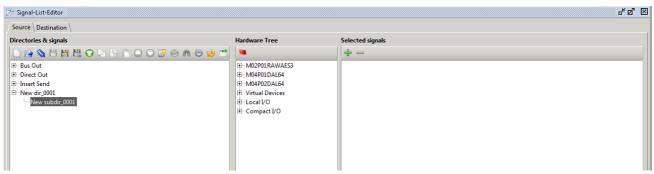


To download the Signal List configuration:

The Signal List data can be downloaded in a similar manner, but this time from the 'Signal List Editor':

1. Select **Window** -> **Signal List Editor** from the main menus, or click on the Toolbar icon, or use the keyboard shortcut (**CTRL** + **SHIFT** + **E**).

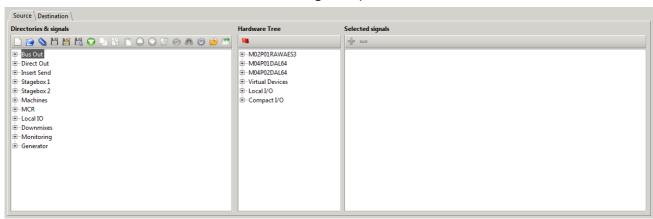
A new default list of **Directors & signals** appears:



2. Click on the Dutton, from the 'Signal List Editor' toolbar.

AdminHD downloads the online Signal List configuration data from the remote system. Use the <u>'Remote Log'</u> to check the download progress.

After a successful download, the list of Directors & signals updates:



3. Click on the minimise button (top right) to hide the 'Signal List Editor' for now.

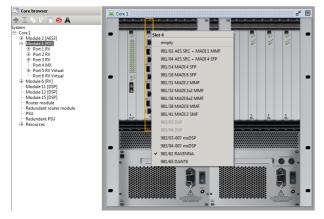
This window is described in more detail <u>later</u>.



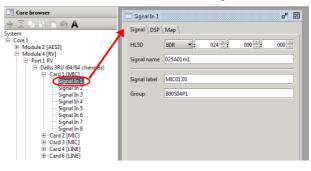
6.7.3 Editing the AdminHD Configuration

The Core configuration can be edited using the 'Core Browser', 'Hardware Panel' and 'Parameter Box' shown below. The steps are described in more detail <u>later</u>. Once editing is complete, you can choose to update the online configuration, or export and upload a new cold start **config.tcl** file (recommended).

'Core Browser' & 'Hardware Panel' - Fit IO Module

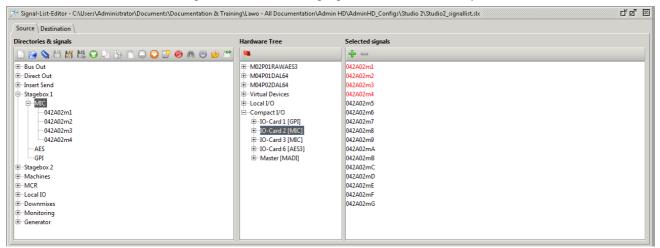


'Core Browser' & 'Parameter Box' - Edit Signal Parameters



The Signal List configuration can be edited using the 'Signal List Editor' shown below. The steps are described in more detail <u>later</u>. Once editing is complete, you must export and upload a new cold start file (**gui_config.tcl**), as an online update of the Signal List is not possible.

'Signal List Editor' - Adding Signals to a Source Directory

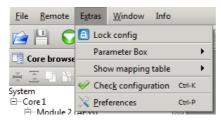




6.7.4 Checking the Core Configuration

This step is optional but recommended, as it will check the Core configuration for any programming errors.

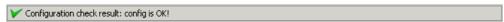
1. Select Extras -> Check Configuration from the main menus, or use the keyboard shortcut (CTRL + K).



AdminHD analyses the configuration to check for the following errors:

- Signal HLSD Conflicts if two signals have the same HLSD (Lawo system address).
- HLSD Syntax if there is an invalid HLSD in the configuration.
- Signal Name Conflicts if two signals have the same name.
- Mapping Table Address Conflicts if you have assigned the same mapping table address to different signals.

The result of the check is displayed within the status bar of the display:



If an error is reported, then try retracing your steps by opening an earlier <u>saved</u> version of the **config.csv**.



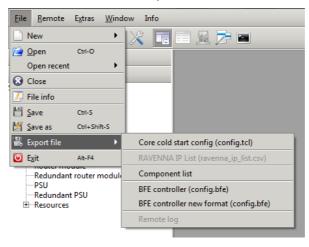
6.7.5 Exporting the Cold Start Files

This step exports the configuration data from AdminHD, and stores it in a format which can be read by the $mc^2/Nova$ control system.

You can specify a <u>default</u> directory for your cold start config files under **Extras** -> **Preferences** -> **Directories**.

To export the Core configuration (config.tcl):

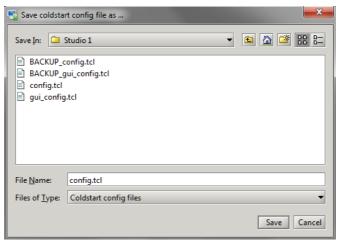
Select File -> Export file from the main menus, and choose Core cold start config (config.tcl):



2. You are asked to specify a folder location and name for the file.

Do NOT rename the file; it must be named config.tcl in order to be read by the mc²/Nova control system.

In our example, we have chosen the folder for the studio:



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3. Click on Save - the Core configuration is exported and saved locally on your computer.



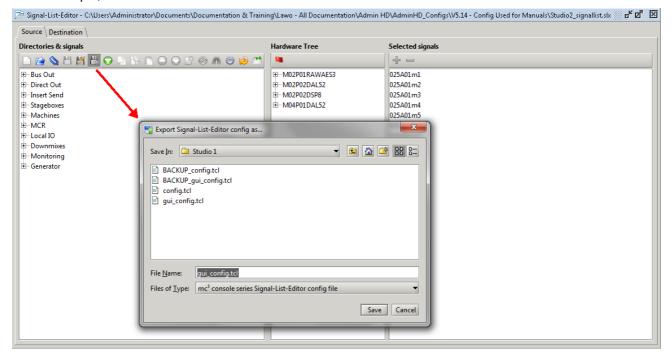
To export the Signal List configuration (gui_config.tcl):

The Signal List configuration can be exported in a similar manner, but this time from the 'Signal List Editor':

- 1. Click on the Button, from the 'Signal List Editor' toolbar.
- 2. You are asked to specify a folder location and name for the file.

Do NOT rename the file; it must be named $gui_config.tcl$ in order to be read by the $mc^2/Nova$ control system.

In our example, we have chosen the folder for the studio:



3. Click on Save - the Signal List configuration is exported and saved locally on your computer.



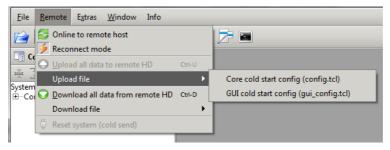
6.7.6 Uploading the Cold Start Files

Having <u>exported</u> the cold start files, you can now upload them from your computer to the mc²/Nova system.

Note that you can use this operation to upload any **config.tcl** or **gui_config.tcl** file. For example, a <u>backup</u> file, or a file prepared on another AdminHD computer.

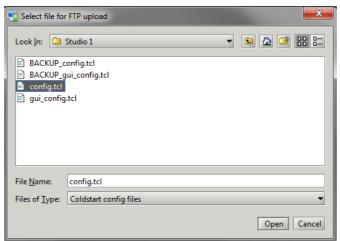
To perform a successful upload, you will need a valid network <u>connection</u> between your computer and the mc²/Nova control system. AdminHD can remain offline to perform the upload.

Select Remote -> Upload file from the main menus, and choose Core cold start config (config.tcl):

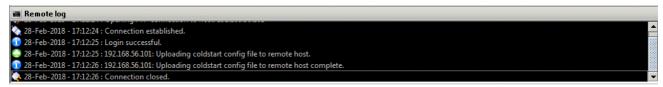


A window appears asking you to select a file to upload.

2. Take care to select the correct file name - the config.tcl:



3. Click on **Open** - the file is uploaded to the remote system. Use the <u>'Remote Log'</u> to check the upload progress:



If there is a problem with the upload, then:

- Check the network connection and TCP/IP settings of your computer's network interface card.
- Check that AdminHD is compatible with the Nova73 MKII system.
- See the <u>trouble-shooting</u> tips.
- 4. Repeat steps 1 to 3, but this time choose **GUI cold start config (gui_config.tcl)** followed by the **gui_config.tcl** file to upload a new Signal List.

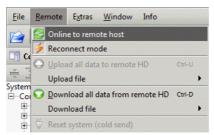


6.7.7 Testing the Functionality

You will now need to cold start the system to test the functionality.

If the mc²/Nova system is fitted with a redundant Router Module, then you must disable the redundant control system *BEFORE* cold starting. See <u>Updating a Redundant System</u>.

1. A cold start can be issued from AdminHD if you are running <u>online</u> - select **Remote** -> **Reset system** (cold send) from the main menus:



2. Once the system has booted, open mxGUl's **Signal Settings** display - all configured components should appear in the **System** tree.

If all components are powered and connected, then they will appear in grey.

If there is a problem, then you will see a red warning flag. See <u>Diagnosing System Errors</u>.

3. Open the **Signal List** display - any Signal List configuration changes should be reflected in the **Sources** and **Destinations** structure.

If you have added signals from a new hardware device, then test the device by connecting its signals.



6.8 Saving the Configuration (as AdminHD Files)

At regular intervals you should save the configuration, and also use "save as" to keep a copy at different revision stages. This will allow you to test the configuration and revert to an earlier version if necessary.

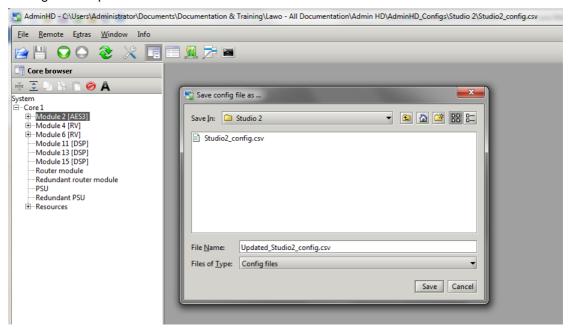
Note that you must do this separately for the Core and Signal List configurations if you are editing both aspects of the system.

Saving the Core Configuration

The Core configuration can be saved locally on your computer as a .csv file.

> File -> Save As

1. Select **File** -> **Save As** from the main menus, or use the keyboard shortcut (**CTRL** + **SHIFT** + **S**) - the "Save" dialogue box opens:



2. Choose a folder location and enter a suitable file name.

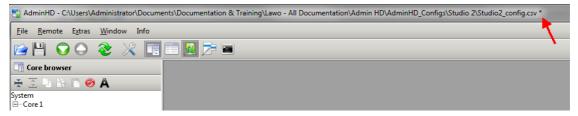
You can use any name as long as it keeps the **.csv** suffix, but it is a good idea to keep the word "config" in the name to distinguish it from other **.csv** files. See <u>AdminHD Files</u>.

3. Then click on **Save** to save the configuration.

> File -> Save

From here on you can use File -> Save to overwrite the .csv file (specified in AdminHD's headline).

Note that **File** -> **Save** can only be selected once there has been a change to the Core configuration (as indicated by the * at the end of the file path):



1. Select File -> Save from the main menus, or click on the Toolbar icon, or use the keyboard shortcut (CTRL + S).

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AdminHD saves the changes into the existing .csv file.

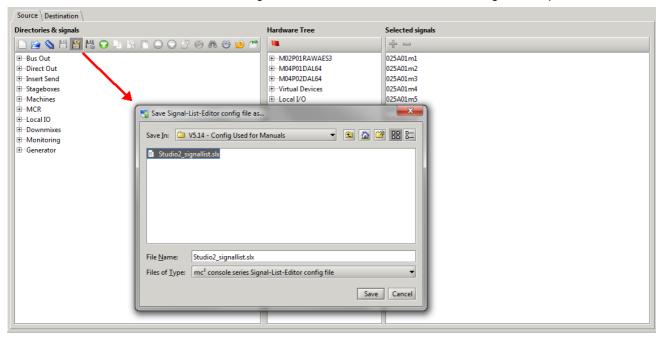


Saving the Signal List Configuration

The Signal List configuration can be saved locally on your computer as a .slx file. This is handled in a similar manner to the Core configuration but from the 'Signal List Editor'.

> File -> Save As

1. Click on the M button from the 'Signal List Editor' toolbar - the "Save" dialogue box opens:



2. Choose a folder location and enter a suitable file name.

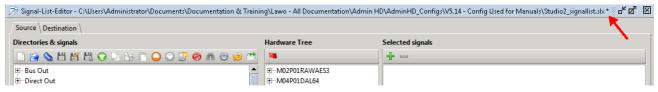
You can use any name as long as it keeps the .slx suffix, but it is a good idea to keep the words "signallist" in the name for easy identification. See $\underline{AdminHD\ Files}$.

3. Then click on **Save** to save the configuration.

> File -> Save

From here on you can use File -> Save to overwrite the .slx file (specified in the 'Signal List Editor' headline).

Note that **File** -> **Save** can only be selected once there has been a change to the Signal List (as indicated by the * at the end of the file path):



Click on the button from the 'Signal List Editor' toolbar.

AdminHD saves the changes into the existing .slx file.



6.9 Editing the Core Configuration

The Core configuration defines the system core hardware, IO ports and all parameters. This includes system-wide parameters such as sample rate, reference levels and sync; and individual parameters such as a signal's HLSD address, name, etc.

The Core configuration can be edited using the 'Core Browser', 'Hardware Panel' and 'Parameter Box' windows. All changes are made offline within the AdminHD session. Once editing is complete, you can choose to update the online configuration, or export and upload a new cold start **config.tcl** file (recommended).

Defining the System

If you wish to add a component, such as a new remote IO device or plug-in card, then use the following steps. Note that the same principles apply whether you are updating an existing configuration or building a new system from scratch. The system is hierarchical, and therefore components must be added in the following order:

- 1. Define the Core.
- 2. Fit modules to the Core.
- 3. Define the IO ports: for example, add a DALLIS, Compact IO, Virtual Devices or Tie-Lines.
- 4. Configure the connected device: for example, fit cards to a DALLIS.
- **5.** Define other options such as Link and Port redundancy, and DSP resources.

The steps are described in more detail over the next few pages. You should open the 'Core Browser' and 'Hardware Panel' to perform these tasks.

IMPORTANT: It is important that the configuration matches the physical installation. Otherwise components may not operate correctly. Therefore, it is useful to have the specification details (part numbers and options) to hand.

Editing Parameters

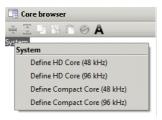
Once the hardware is defined, open the <u>'Core Browser'</u> and <u>'Parameter Box'</u> to check and edit the component's parameters. In this section, we describe some of the most common tasks, such as editing the signal names. For a description of all available parameters, please see <u>Core Configuration Parameters</u>.



6.9.1 Defining the Core

For pre-configured systems, the **Core** should already be defined. If you are building a new configuration from scratch, then the first step is to add the Core.

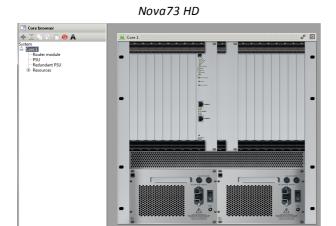
Right-click on System in the 'Core Browser':

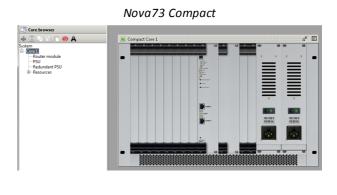


- 2. Select an option to define the type of Core:
 - HD Core (48kHz) adds a Nova73 HD operating at sampling rates up to 48kHz.
 - HD Core (96kHz) adds a Nova73 HD operating at sampling rates up to 96kHz.
 - Compact Core (48kHz) adds a Nova73 Compact operating at sampling rates up to 48kHz.
 - Compact Core (96kHz) adds a Nova73 Compact operating at sampling rates up to 96kHz.

Take care to choose the correct **maximum** sampling rate as this cannot be changed later. Note that at higher sample rates, the DSP resource and summing matrix capacity are halved. Therefore, you should only choose 96kHz if a higher sample rate is definitely required. Note that the operator can change the sample rate up to the maximum from the **System Settings** display: **Wordclock** -> **Sample Rate** option.

The selected **Core** is added to the **System** tree, along with its standard components: **Router module**, **PSU**, **Redundant PSU** and **Resources**.



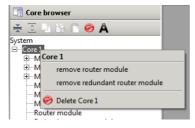


Deleting the Core

If you want to change the Core, then you will need to delete it and make a new selection.

Note that deleting the Core will remove it, and all of its sub components, from the configuration, and so should be used with caution.

1. Right-click on **Core 1** in the 'Core Browser' and select **Delete**:



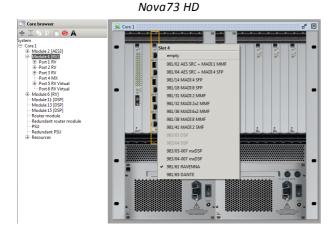
2. You are asked to confirm - select **Yes** to delete the Core, or **No** to cancel the operation.

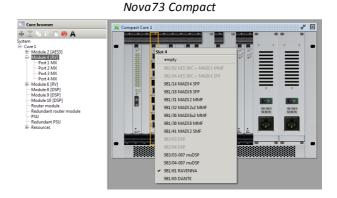


6.9.2 Fitting Modules to the Core

Next, add your IO and DSP modules to the Core as follows:

1. From the 'Hardware Panel', right-click on a module slot and select a drop-down option:





The available options depend on the selected slot position. If an option is not permitted, then it will be "greyed out".

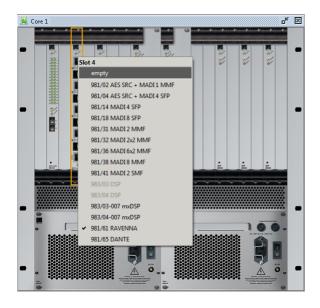
To fit channel DSP modules (983/03 or 04), you must work from right to left across the core as described <u>earlier</u>. For example, in a Nova73 HD, assign slot 15 first, then slot 13, slot 11, and so on.

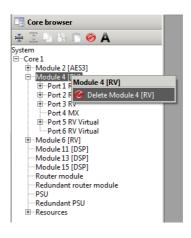
IMPORTANT: Take care to assign the modules to the slot positions so that they match the physical installation.

Once assigned, the modules appear in the 'Hardware Panel' and 'Core Browser'.

2. To remove a module right-click on the slot and select **Empty**. Or, go to the 'Core Browser', right-click on the Module and select **Delete**.

Note that this will delete the Module, and all of its sub components, and so should be used with caution.





3. You are asked to confirm - select **Yes** to delete the **Module**, or **No** to cancel the operation.

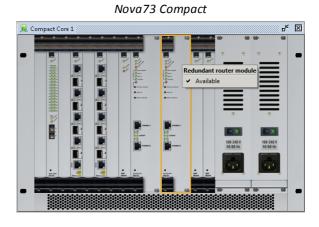


4. A <u>redundant</u> Router Module can be configured by right-clicking on the second Router Module slot in the Core - select **Available** to add the module, or deselect **Available** to remove it.

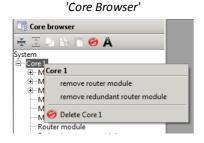
Core 1

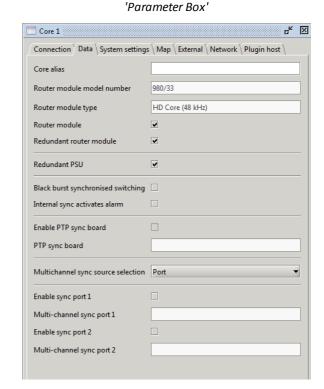
Redundant router module

Available



Alternatively, right-click on the **Core** in the 'Core Browser' and select either **add** or **remove redundant router module**. Or, open the 'Parameter Box' for the **Core** and edit the **Redundant router module** checkbox.





5. For the Nova73 HD, you can add or remove the redundant power supply in a similar manner - open the 'Hardware Panel' for the **Core** and right-click on the second PSU slot to access the **Available** option.

Note that the second power supply cannot be removed from a Nova73 Compact.

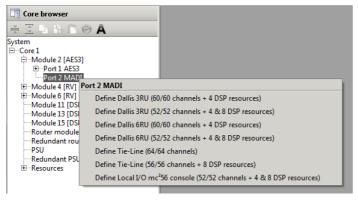


6.9.3 Defining the IO Ports

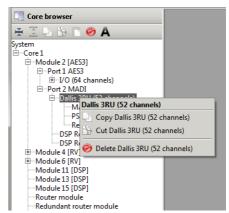
With the 'Core Browser', you can now open each IO module to view its individual ports.

In the case of an AES3 module, the port is predefined. In the case of a MADI, RAVENNA or DANTE module, the ports require further configuration:

'Core Browser' - Define IO Port



'Core Browser' - Delete Device



1. Right-click on the port in the 'Core Browser' and select an option.

The available options vary depending on the module type and software release.

If you want to change the function of a port, then you will need to delete the current assignment.

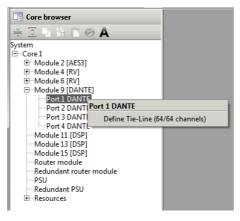
Right-click on the device (in our example, a DALLIS) and select **Delete**. Note that this will delete the current device, and all of its sub components, and so should be used with caution.

You are asked to confirm - select **Yes** to delete the device, or **No** to cancel the operation. You can now return to step 1 to make a new selection.



6.9.4 IO Port Options

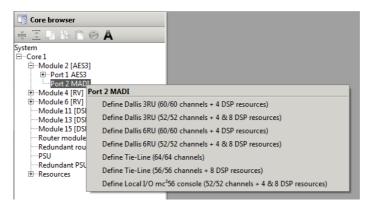
DANTE Ports



For DANTE ports there is only one option:

• Tie-Line - adds 64 tie-line channels for connecting to and from an external DANTE device.

MADI Ports



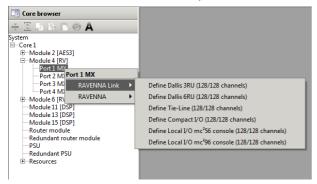
For MADI ports you can choose:

- **DALLIS** adds a DALLIS frame. You can choose **3RU** or **6RU**, and **60** or **52** bi-directional channels. Any spare link capacity is used for <u>DSP resources</u>.
- **Tie-Line** adds a number of bi-directional MADI tie-line channels. You can choose **64** channels only, or **56** channels + <u>DSP resources</u>.
- Local IO mc²56 adds a connection to the mc²56 Local IO frame + <u>DSP resources</u>.

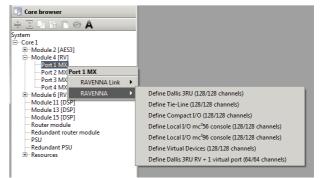


RAVENNA Ports

RAVENNA Link Port Options



RAVENNA Net Port Options



For RAVENNA ports, the options are divided into two menu branches which specify the type of connection: either **RAVENNA Link** or **RAVENNA** (Net), and then the port's function: **DALLIS**, **Tie-Line**, etc.

The options are similar to those available for a MADI port, with the following exceptions and additions:

- There are no <u>DSP resources</u> for RAVENNA IO ports.
- DALLIS and Tie-Line ports support 128 bi-directional channels (as opposed to 64).
- The Compact IO and Local IO mc²96 are supported.
- <u>Virtual Devices</u> and <u>Virtual DALLIS</u> ports are supported by RAVENNA Net.

The ports can be assigned individually to either a RAVENNA Link or RAVENNA Net device.

For RAVENNA Link, you can configure port redundancy (for a DALLIS with two master boards).

For RAVENNA Net, an odd/even pair of ports (1+2 or 3+4) can be configured for redundant streaming (via <u>SPS</u>) if the connecting device is SMPTE 2022-7 compatible.

In the 'Core Browser' an undefined RAVENNA port is indicated by the [MX] suffix ("mixed"). Once defined, the suffix updates to [RVL], [RV] or [SPS] to indicate the type of connection.

IMPORTANT: Take care to assign the ports so that they match the physical installation.

The table below summarizes the port options. Note that SPS can be configured for RAVENNA Net only.

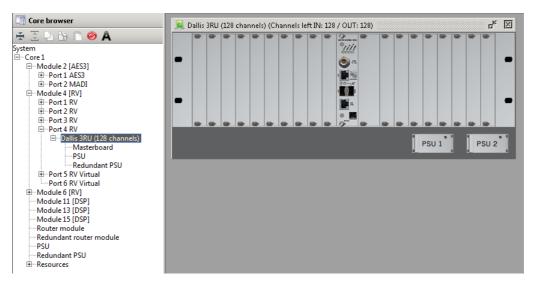
Port Option	Description	RVL	RV	SPS
DALLIS 3RU	3RU DALLIS frame with 128 bi-directional channels	✓	✓	×
DALLIS 6RU	6RU DALLIS frame with 128 bi-directional channels	✓	×	×
Tie-Line	128 bi-directional tie-line channels	✓	✓	✓
Compact IO	Compact IO stagebox	✓	✓	×
Local IO mc ² 56	Local IO frame for the mc ² 56 MKII console	✓	✓	×
Local IO mc ² 96	Local IO frame for the mc ² 96 console	✓	✓	✓
Virtual Devices	16 x 8-channel Virtual Device slots	×	✓	✓
Virtual DALLIS	3RU DALLIS frame with 64 bi-directional channels plus a "virtual" port for a second 64-channel DALLIS	×	✓	×

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In each case, the connection supports 128 bi-directional channels.

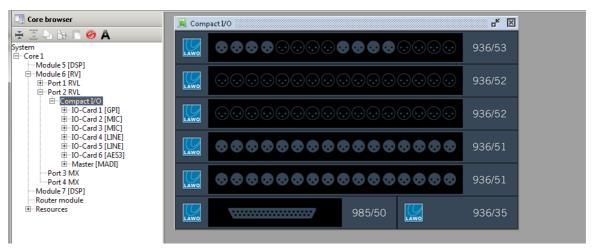


6.9.5 IO Port Definitions DALLIS



The **DALLIS** frame is added to the **System** tree along with its standard components. These include a single **Masterboard** (947/22). You should configure <u>port redundancy</u> if a second master board is installed. Then <u>populate</u> the DALLIS frame in the usual manner.

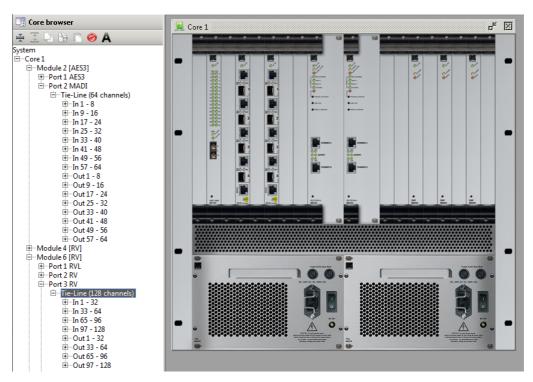
Local IO or Compact IO



The **Local IO** or **Compact IO** frame is added to the **System** tree along with its standard components. Note that, unlike a DALLIS, you cannot adjust the IO card allocations!



Tie-Line



The corresponding Tie-Line signals are added to the System tree and are now ready for use.

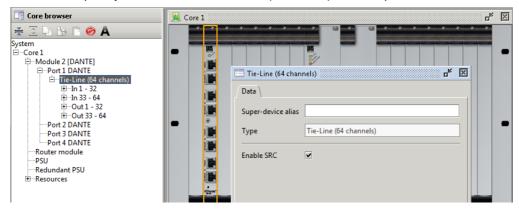
RAVENNA Link Tie-lines are often used as "Netlinks" to <u>share</u> IO resources with other mc²/Nova systems. This option requires some .tcl file configuration.

RAVENNA Net Tie-lines can be used to stream audio to/from a RAVENNA/AES67 network. Once the Core configuration has been uploaded to the system, open a RAVENNA Web UI connection to the 981/61 IO module to set up the TX and RX streams.

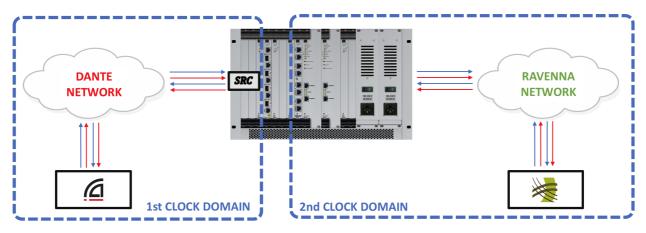


>> DANTE SRCs

For each DANTE Tie-line port, you can choose to enable (or disable) the Sample Rate Converters:



When enabled, you can run your DANTE studio network independently from the broadcast clock, or bridge between 96kHz DANTE and 48kHz RAVENNA networks (or vice versa):

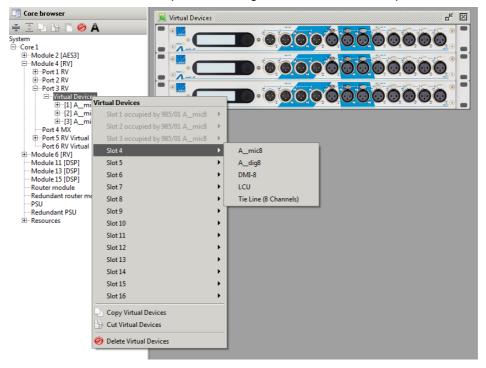




Virtual Devices (RV only)

Each Virtual Devices port can support up to 16 devices. To assign the devices:

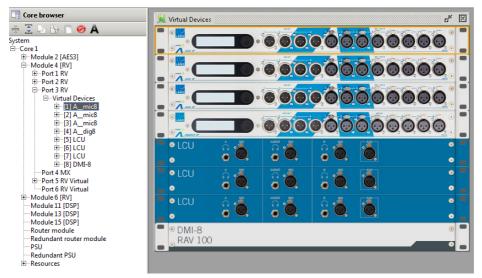
1. Right-click on the Virtual Devices port, and assign a device to each Slot position:



Note that you can assign virtual devices to the 16 slots in any order, as it is the **Device ID** and **Streaming unit IP** address which are important.

The first four options will specify a hardware device: **A_mic8**, **A_dig8**, **LCU** or **DMI-8**. Or, select **Tie Line** to prepare a set of 8 streaming channels. These can be used to stream audio only, without parameter control, to and from any RAVENNA-compatible node on the network.

In each case, the device or Tie-line is added to the 'Core Browser' and 'Hardware Panel':

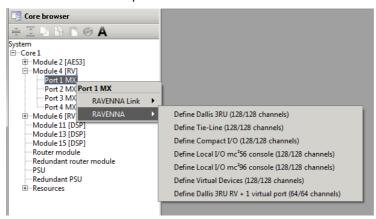




Virtual DALLIS (RV only)

This port option can be used to connect two 64-channel DALLIS frames via a single 981/61 RAVENNA Net interface.

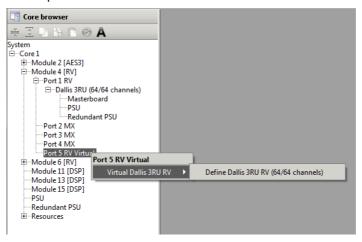
1. First, right-click on the RAVENNA IO port and select the **DALLIS 3RU RV + 1 x virtual port** option:



This adds the first 64-channel DALLIS frame plus a new virtual port (Port 5 RV Virtual).

Note that the term "virtual" is used to indicate that port 5 only exists virtually - i.e. there is no actual physical interface for port 5!

2. Right-click on the virtual port to add the second DALLIS frame:



You can now populate the frames in the usual manner.

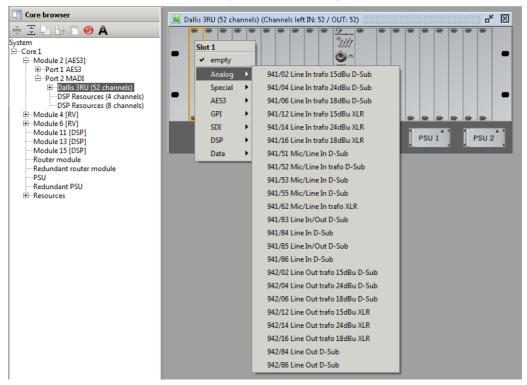


6.9.6 Fitting Cards to a DALLIS

Cards are fitted to a DALLIS in a similar manner to fitting modules to the Core:

1. Right-click on a card slot and select a drop-down option:

DALLIS (connected via MADI)



The available options depend on the DALLIS Masterboard, the selected slot and the capacity of the DALLIS. If a card is not supported, then it will be "greyed out" to prevent you configuring an illegal option.

Right-click on PSU 2 to add or remove a redundant power supply:



You can check how many audio channels are left by looking in the title bar of the DALLIS frame.

The DALLIS master board type cannot be altered, as this is determined when you define the Core's IO Port.

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IMPORTANT: Take care to assign the cards to the slot positions so that they match the physical installation.



6.9.7 Copy, Cut & Paste

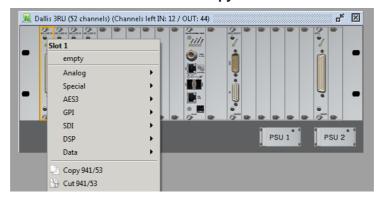
If you are fitting several components of the same type, then you can use copy and paste to speed up the configuration.

Note that all sub components and parameters are copied. Therefore, it is best to configure the device completely (including all parameters), before using copy, cut and paste.

Copy & Paste from the 'Hardware Panel'

The example below shows how to copy and paste a DALLIS MIC card, but the same principles can be applied to any configurable component.

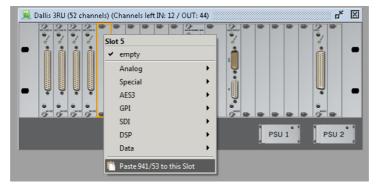
1. Right-click on the source DALLIS card and select Copy:



The card is copied to AdminHD's clipboard; the address is shown in the status bar at the bottom of the display:



2. Then right-click on the destination card slot and select Paste:



The card, and all of its parameters, are pasted into the destination slot.

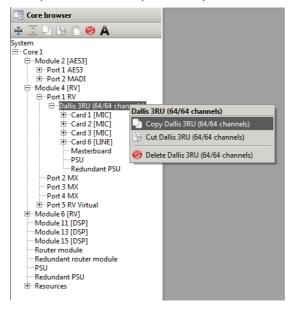
- **3.** Repeat step 2 to quickly assign the same card to a number of slots.
- 4. Select **Cut** (in step 1) to move a card to a different slot.

Note that **Paste** is only available if you select a valid destination. For example, if the DALLIS runs out of audio channels, then you will not be able to select **Paste**.

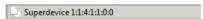


Copy & Paste from the 'Core Browser'

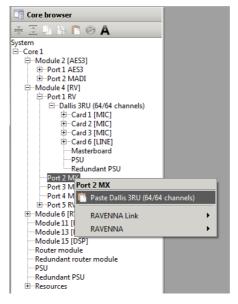
1. Right-click on the source component - for example, a complete DALLIS - and select Copy:



The device is copied to AdminHD's clipboard; the address is shown in the status bar at the bottom of the display:



2. Then right-click on the destination Port and select Paste:



The DALLIS, including all of its cards and parameters, are pasted into the configuration.

- 3. Repeat step 2 to paste the same DALLIS configuration to multiple ports.
- 4. Select **Cut** (in step 1) to move a DALLIS to a different port.

Note that **Paste** is only available if you select a valid destination. For example, you can only paste a RAVENNA DALLIS to another RAVENNA port.

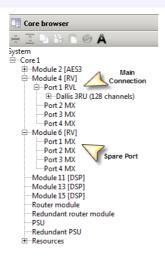


6.9.8 Port Redundancy

To configure port redundancy, two master boards must be fitted to each DALLIS. Each connects to a different Nova73 IO port, preferably on a different module.

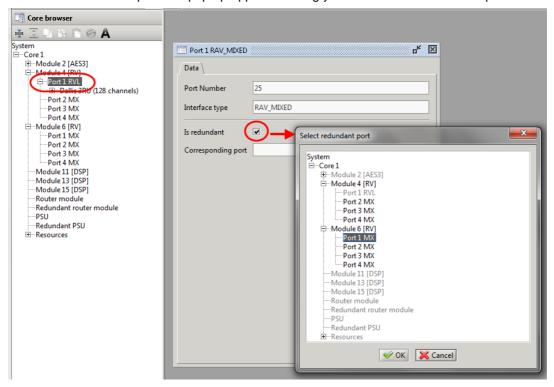
To support this feature, your system *must* be fitted with two master boards per DALLIS, plus enough spare IO ports in the Nova73 to support the connections.

This feature can be selected for devices connected via MADI, RAVENNA Link or RAVENNA Net.



To configure the redundant port:

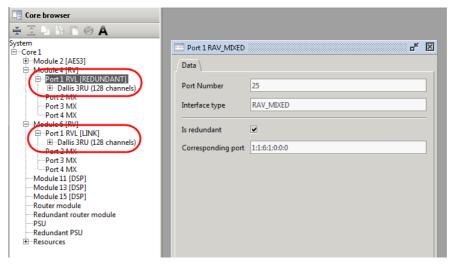
- 1. Select Module 4 Port 1 and double-click to open its 'Parameter Box'.
- 2. Tick the **Is redundant** option a pop-up appears asking you to select the redundant port:



3. Select a port – in our example, Module 6 Port 1 and click OK.



The ports are now linked as indicated in the 'Core Browser':



Note that the 'Parameter Box' for **Module 4 Port 1** shows the address of the linked port within the **Corresponding port** box. This is described as a system address:

4. If you now select the DALLIS and look at its 'Hardware Panel', you will see that a redundant master board has been fitted:



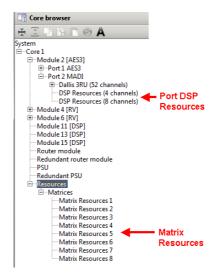
To remove port redundancy, either deselect the **Is redundant** option in the main port's 'Parameter Box'. Or, right-click on the redundant master board in the DALLIS 'Hardware Panel' and deselect **Available**.

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You will be asked to confirm if you wish delete the port redundancy, Yes or No.



6.9.9 DSP Resources



Matrix Resources

On every system fitted with the Router MKII module, you will find eight summing matrices (8x8) which appear in the System tree as **Resources** within the **Core**.

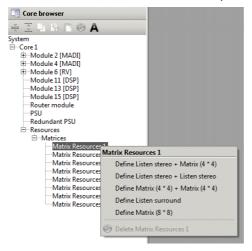
Port Resources

Additionally, for systems fitted with MADI ports, you may find some **DSP Resources** within the MADI **Port**. These appear if you define a MADI **Tie-line** or **DALLIS** which is 60-channels or less. The amount of resource is defined when you configure the MADI port - for example, defining a 52-channel DALLIS leaves 12 free channels to support one **4x4** plus one **8x8 DSP resource**.

Configuring the Resources

Both types of resource can be used for console monitoring, downmix matrices or other customer-specific summing functions.

1. Right-click on the **Resources** in the 'Core Browser' to define an option:



- Listen stereo or Listen surround creates a stereo or surround matrix suitable for console monitoring.
- Matrix (4 * 4) or Matrix (8 * 8) creates a generic summing matrix.

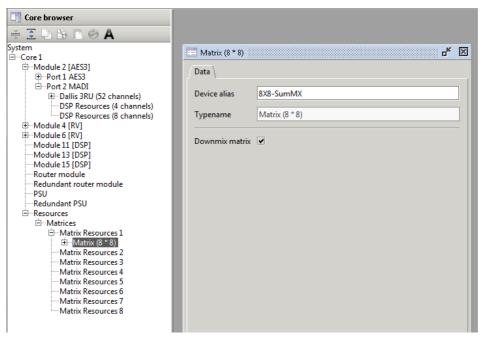
If you wish, you can name each matrix by giving it an alias name.



Configuring a Downmix Matrix

To configure a surround downmix matrix:

- 1. Assign the Matrix (8 * 8) option to one of your 8 x 8 resources (as described on the previous page).
- **2.** From the 'Core Browser', double-click on the matrix to open its 'Parameter Box', and tick the **Downmix matrix** option:



Once the configuration is uploaded to the system, you will be able to control the surround downmix from mxGUI's **Downmix** display.

To access the inputs and outputs of a matrix, the signals must be added to the Signal List configuration (gui_config.tcl) using the 'Signal List Editor'.



6.9.10 IP Settings & Device IDs (RAVENNA/AES67)

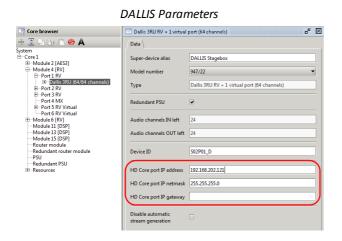
In a mc²/Nova RAVENNA installation, AdminHD should be used to define the IP settings and Device IDs for the 981/61 streaming ports and their partnering devices.

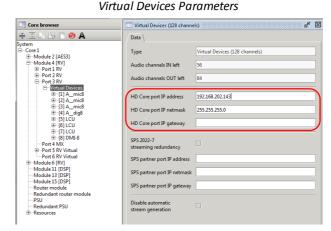
HD Core Port IP Settings

The 981/61 streaming ports are known as the **HD Core ports**. To define their IP settings:

1. From the 'Core Browser', double-click on the partnering device which will connect to the 981/61 streaming port - its 'Parameter Box' opens.

Note that for a Virtual Device, you will need to double-click on Virtual Devices rather than the device itself.





2. Edit the **HD Core port IP** fields - you must enter a unique IP address and suitable netmask and gateway.

To make it easy to identify the streaming ports within the <u>Web Browser Interface</u> and/or RAVENNA Web UI, it is a good idea to adopt an IP address numbering convention. For example:

- IP addresses ending in 121 to 124 = IO module slot 2, ports 1 to 4.
- IP addresses ending in 141 to 144 = IO module slot 4, ports 1 to 4, and so on.

IMPORTANT: The IP settings *must* match those stored locally on the device.

- 3. The SPS fields, if supported, are used to configure SMPTE 2022-7 compatible streaming.
- 4. The **Disable automatic stream generation** option will stop the system creating the automatically-configured streaming connections. In this instance you will need to configure the streams manually using the RAVENNA Web UI.

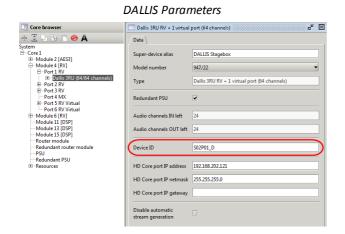


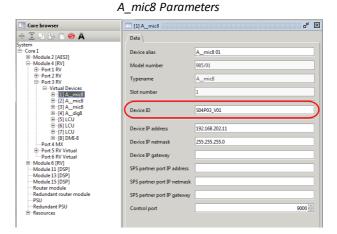
Device IDs for Partnering Devices

To define the Device ID for each partnering device:

1. From the 'Core Browser', double-click on the partnering device which will connect to the 981/61 streaming port - its 'Parameter Box' opens.

For a DALLIS, Local IO or Compact IO, this is the same 'Parameter Box' as used to define the **HD Core port** IP settings. For a Virtual Device, this is the device's 'Parameter Box' (e.g. **A mic8**).





The default **Device ID**s use a format that depends on where the device is connected. For example:

- **Device ID = S04P01_D** is a DALLIS connected to Module slot 4, Port 1.
- Device ID = S04P02 I is either a Compact IO or Local IO connected to Module slot 4, Port 2.
- Device ID = S04P03_V01 is a Virtual Device connected to Module slot 4, Port 3, Virtual Device Slot 1.
- 2. Edit the field to customize the **Device ID**.

Each Device ID must be unique. Short, descriptive names are recommended. Use only normal characters, numbers and "_" or "-" without spaces. Up to 31 characters are permitted.

For a Virtual DALLIS port, remember to enter a **Device ID** for both the first and second DALLIS frames. For a Virtual Devices port, remember to enter a **Device ID** for each of the assigned slot positions.

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IMPORTANT: The Device ID *must* match the value stored locally on the device.

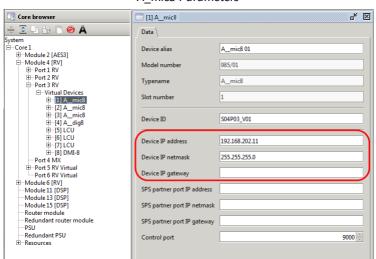


Device IP Settings

For all Virtual Devices, the control system must also know the IP settings of each individual device. Note that this step is not required for a DALLIS, Local IO or Compact IO, as the combination of the **HD Core port** IP settings and **Device ID** is enough.

You can view the settings from the front panel display on an A__line device, or via the "settings preconfig activate" script. To enter the settings into the AdminHD configuration:

1. From the 'Core Browser', double-click on the Virtual device (e.g. A_mic8) - its 'Parameter Box' opens.



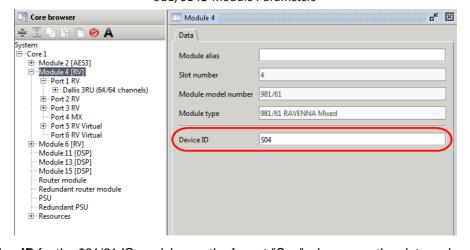
A mic8 Parameters

2. Edit the **Device IP** fields so that they match the IP address, netmask and gateway stored locally on the device.

Device IDs for 981/61 IO Modules

Each 981/61 IO module also has a Device ID which is displayed in the RAVENNA Web UI Home page, and so is useful for identication purposes. To define the Device ID for a 981/61 IO module:

1. From the 'Core Browser', double-click on the module - its 'Parameter Box' opens:



981/61 IO Module Parameters

The default Device ID for the 981/61 IO module use the format "Syy" where yy = the slot number.

2. Edit the field to customize the **Device ID**.

The Device ID must be unique. Short, descriptive names are recommended. Use only normal characters, numbers and "_" or "-" without spaces. Up to 31 characters are permitted.



6.9.11 Configuring SMPTE 2022-7 (SPS)

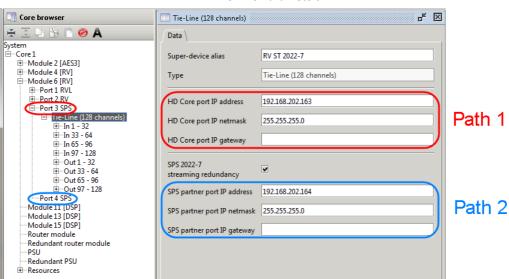
In a mc²/Nova RAVENNA installation, AdminHD can be used to configure SMPTE 2022-7 compatible streaming.

1. Add a SMPTE 2022-7 compatible device to the odd numbered port of the 981/61 IO module in the <u>usual</u> manner. Note that it is important to define the odd numbered port, as opposed to even, otherwise you will not see the SPS options.

In the current release, you this means either a **Tie-Line** or **Virtual Devices** port, and for **Virtual Devices**, assign either an **A_mic8** or **A_dig8**.

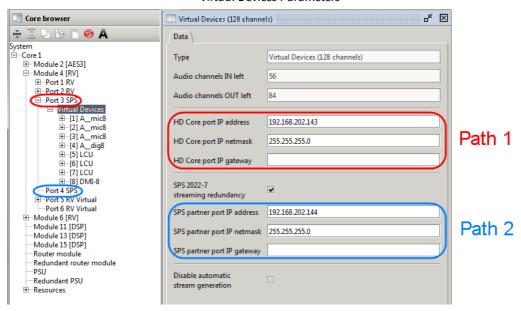
Note that you will only see the SPS options if you configure a SMPTE 2022-7 compatible device. For example, if you assign a DALLIS then the SPS fields are not supported.

- 2. Define the IP settings and Device IDs, as described earlier, to configure the first network path.
- 3. Then enable the **SPS 2022-7 streaming redundancy** checkbox you will see that the [RV] suffix in the 'Core Browser' updates to [SPS] for both the odd numbered port and its even numbered partner.
- 4. Now use the SPS partner port IP fields to define the IP settings for the second network path.



Tie-Line Parameters



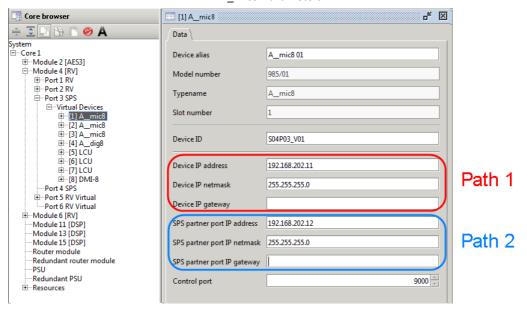




5. For any Virtual Devices, you must also enter the IP settings for the SPS partner port.

These should match the IP address, netmask and gateway stored locally on the device. For example:

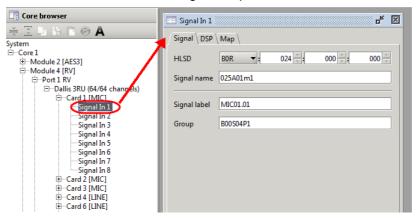
A_mic8 Parameters





6.9.12 Signal Parameters

1. From the 'Core Browser', double-click on a signal to open its 'Parameter Box', and select the Signal tab:



The fields include the **Signal name** and **Signal label**, which correspond to the **Name** and user **Label** which appear in mxGUl's **Signal List** display.

mc² Signal List display



The **Signal name** is stored *only* by the Core configuration, and cannot be edited by the user. It should be used to provide a "fixed" signal name relevant to the installation.

The **Signal label** is the label which the system resets to after a cold start. Users can change the labels later from the **Signal List** display.

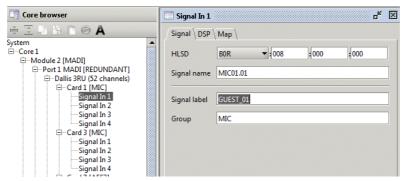
Both the Name and Label are limited to a maximum of 8 characters.

> To edit an individual Signal name:

- 1. Click in the **Signal name** field, and type in the new name you can enter up to 8 characters.
- 2. Press Enter to confirm.

> To copy and paste a Signal name:

Once you have selected the text in the **Signal name** field, use the PAGE UP or PAGE DOWN keys (on your computer keyboard) to navigate up or down the system tree while retaining the selected field:



Combine this with CTRL + C / CTRL + V, to copy and paste text between different entries in the list of signals. This short cut can be applied to any text field.



Editing a Range of Signal names

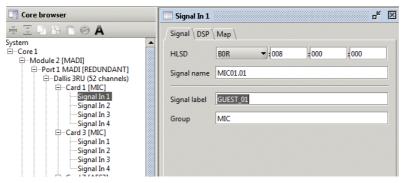
Select Extras -> Parameter Box from the main menus and enable either Comfort text edit mode or Stereo text edit mode:



Comfort text edit

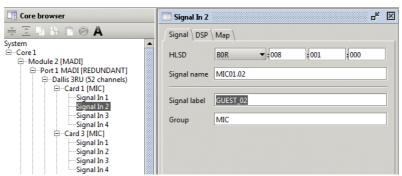
You can use this mode to quickly name a range of signals using a numerical suffix - e.g. MIC1, MIC2, MIC3, etc.

1. Name the first signal (e.g. **GUEST_01**) and leave your cursor in the field you wish to carry forward:



2. Now press CTRL + SHIFT + PAGE DOWN.

AdminHD steps down to the next signal in the system tree, and carries forward the text entry - if there is a number at the end of the name, then its value is incremented:



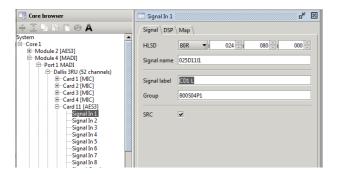
3. Continue pressing CTRL + SHIFT + PAGE DOWN to name all the signals in your range.

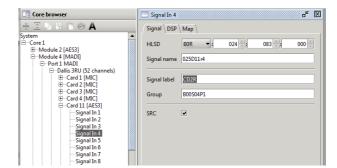


> Stereo text edit

This mode is very similar but is designed to quickly name a range of stereo signals - e.g. CD1L, CD1R, CD2L, CD2R, etc.

Repeat the steps above but add a L to end to the signal name you wish to carry forward. This time when you press **CTRL** + **SHIFT** + **PAGE DOWN**, AdminHD increments both the numerical value AND applies an R to the next signal name field. Continue pressing **CTRL** + **SHIFT** + **PAGE DOWN** to name all the signals in your stereo range:







6.9.13 Using Alias Names

For each component you can enter an alias name to help identify components in AdminHD. The names are used only within AdminHD, and are not transferred to the remote control system.

You can display the alias names in the 'Core Browser' by enabling the Alias button on the toolbar:

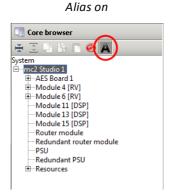
Alias off

Core browser

Core

Module 2 [AES3]
Module 4 [RV]
Module 6 [RV]
Module 13 [DSP]
Module 15 [DSP]
Router module
Redundant router module
PSU
Redundant PSU

Resources

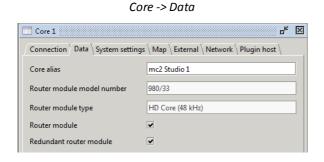


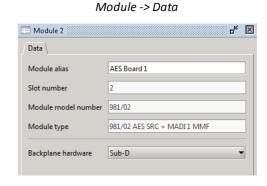
The alias names are also used by the 'Signal List Editor' (within the Hardware Tree).

> To enter an alias name:

- 1. From the 'Core Browser', double-click on the component to open its 'Parameter Box', and select the **Data** tab:
- 2. Enter a name into the alias field.

In our example, an alias has been entered for the Core and Module 2:





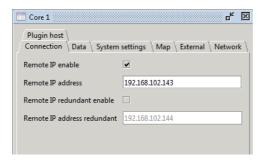
If the field is left empty, then a default system name is used to describe each component.



6.9.14 Editing the System IP Address

The **Core** -> **Connection** parameters can be used to set the TCP/IP address of the Nova73 MKII control system (i.e. the <u>ETHERNET B</u> IP address):

1. From the 'Core Browser', double-click on the Core to open its 'Parameter Box', and select the Connection tab:



- If a single Router Module is fitted to the Nova73, then enter the main Remote IP address only.
- 3. If main and <u>redundant</u> Router Modules are fitted, then also tick **Remote IP redundant enable**. This enables the redundant Router Module and automatically sets the **Remote IP address redundant** *always* 1 above the **Remote IP address**.

We recommend keeping the <u>default IP addresses</u>, where possible, as this will simplify remote maintenance. However, if your Nova73 MKII is part of a larger network, then it will need a unique IP address.

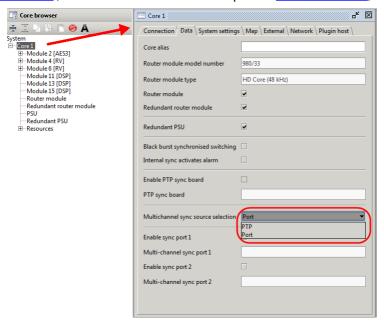
6.9.15 Defining the Multi-channel Sync Source

The **Multichannel Sync Source** options (under **Core** -> **Data**) set the multi-channel sync source. Two possible modes are available:

- PTP to transmit or receive PTP to or from a RAVENNA streaming network.
- Port to sync to incoming signal arriving on a MADI or RAVENNA Link port.

The options are mutually exclusive; it is not possible to use PTP and Port synchronization at the same time.

1. From the 'Core Browser', double-click on the Core to open its 'Parameter Box', and select the Data tab:



Use the Multichannel sync source selection menu to choose either PTP or Port.

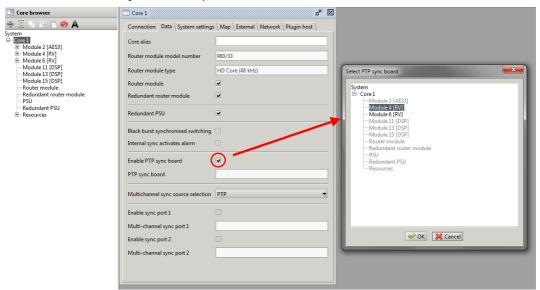
The selection "unlocks" the next steps.



Multichannel Sync = PTP

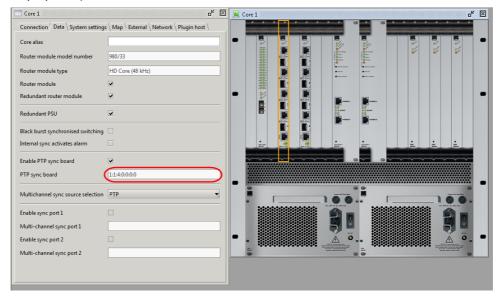
To configure the system for PTP synchronization:

- 1. Set the Multichannel sync source selection to PTP.
- 2. Tick the **Enable PTP sync board** option and choose a RAVENNA IO module:



Choose a module that will remain connected to the streaming network at all times.

2. Select **OK** to confirm - the system address of the selected module appears in the **PTP sync board** field (for information purposes):



Once the configuration is uploaded, use the <u>Word Clock</u> options in the **System Settings** display to make **Multichannel** sync active.

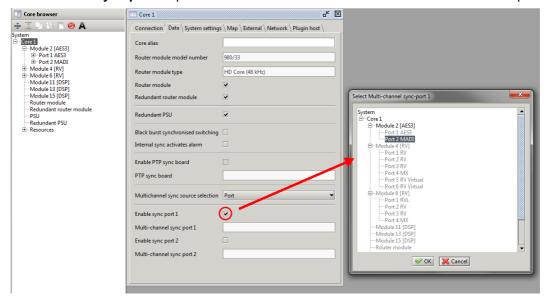
When operating as a PTP Master, the Core will transmit PTP *to* the network. When operating as a PTP Slave, the Core will receive PTP *from* the network. Note that PTP is transmitted or received on all of the selected module's RAVENNA Net ports.



Multichannel Sync = Port

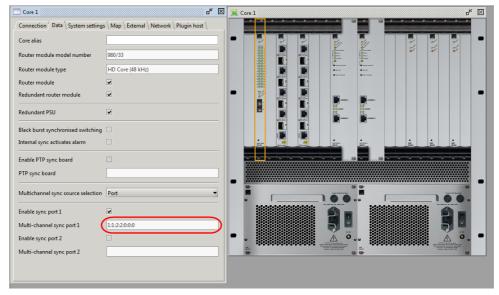
To configure the system for Port synchronization:

- Set the Multichannel sync source selection to Port.
- 2. Tick the **Enable sync port 1** option and choose either a MADI or RAVENNA Link Tie-line port:



Choose the port which will receive the synchronization signal. Note that you can select only a Tie-line port, and not one configured for a DALLIS, Compact IO, etc.

3. Select **OK** to confirm - the system address of the selected port appears in the **Multi-channel sync port** field (for information purposes):



4. Optionally, you can configure a backup sync port by repeating steps 1 and 2 but this time using the **Enable sync port 2** option.

Once the configuration is uploaded, use the <u>Word Clock</u> options in the **System Settings** display to make **Multichannel** sync active.

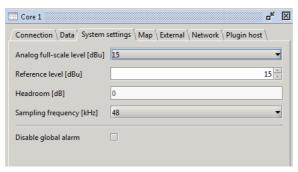
If signal arriving at sync port 1 is lost, then the system automatically switches to sync port 2 (if port 2 is configured). If signal arriving at both ports is lost, then the system switches to the next sync signal in the priority list (according to the **Wordclock** options in the **System Settings** display).



6.9.16 System Operating Levels & Sample Rate

The **Core** -> **System settings** parameters can be used to define the operating levels and internal sampling frequency which the system will reset to after a cold start.

1. From the 'Core Browser', double-click on the Core to open its 'Parameter Box', and select the System settings tab:



System Operating Levels

There are three level settings which interact to define the internal and analog-to-digital operating levels of the system:

• Maximum analog Level = Reference Level + Headroom

The system supports a maximum analog level = +24dB, and a minimum analog level = +12dBu.

WARNING: changing the **Reference Level** or **Headroom** will move the internal 0dB operating point for the system, and thereby change the behaviour of level-dependent settings such as dynamics processing and metering. Therefore, it is NOT advisable to alter these levels once dynamics processing has been set.

For systems fitted with fixed level analog IO cards:

- The **Headroom** and **Reference Level** cannot be altered independently. For example, with a +15dBu fixed analog IO card and +9dB **Headroom**, the **Reference Level** *must* be +6dBu.
- The maximum analog level of the whole system is defined by the DALLIS card with the lowest GDA (General Device Address) this is the card with the lowest address fitted to the DALLIS frame connected to the lowest port number of the first Nova73. (If a different fixed level analog card is fitted elsewhere within the system, then a warning appears in the log file; however, the card with the lowest GDA still wins.)

To set the levels:

- 1. Select the **Analog full-scale level** from the drop-down menu options.
- 2. Then set the **Reference level** by clicking on the up and down arrows the resultant **Headroom** is calculated automatically.

Note that users can change the levels later from mxGUI's System Settings display (via the Level options).

Internal Sampling Rate

1. Select the **Sampling frequency** from the drop-down menu.

The available options are determined by the maximum sample rate. This was defined earlier when you added the <u>Core</u> (or, for micro core systems, created a <u>New</u> configuration).

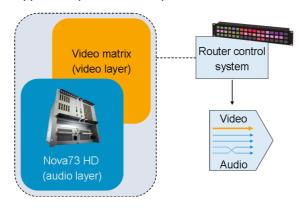
If your system includes Virtual Devices, such as Lawo's **A__line**, then the sample rate of these devices must be changed manually using the RAVENNA Web UI.



6.9.17 Mapping Tables

Lawo's **Remote MNOPL** protocol is a freely available Ethernet (TCP/IP) protocol providing control of virtually any system parameter from an external device.

A typical application is to provide third-party matrix control so that crosspoints within the **Nova73 MKII**'s routing matrix can be controlled by external control systems such as VSM, Evertz, Quartz, BFE, Pharos and others. (If your preferred supplier does not support the protocol, then please ask them to contact Lawo for further details):



Within your AdminHD configuration, each signal can be given a mapping address. Up to 16 different <u>mapping</u> <u>tables</u> can be defined so that different control systems can be supported simultaneously.

> To configure the mapping tables:

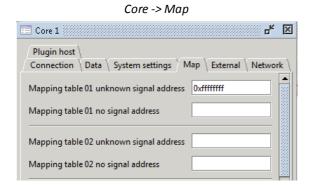
- 1. From the 'Core Browser', double-click on the Core to open its 'Parameter Box', and select the Map tab.
- 2. For your chosen mapping table (01 to 16), enter the signal addresses which will be submitted to the external control system:
 - unknown signal submitted when an undefined source is connected to a defined destination.
 - no signal address submitted when a signal is disconnected.

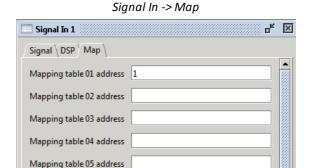
Please refer to your external control system's documentation for details on which addresses to enter. The example below shows the addresses for a Lawo radio on-air control system.

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- 3. Now select the first signal you wish to map to the controller, and select the **Map** tab.
- 4. For your chosen mapping table (01 to 16), assign the Mapping table address.

The format of the address will be specified by your external control system.



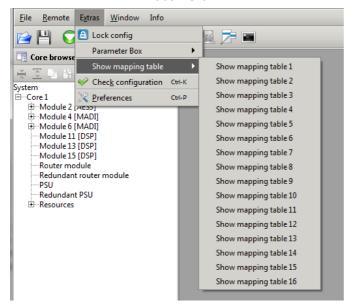


5. Repeat for all the signals you wish to control from your external device.

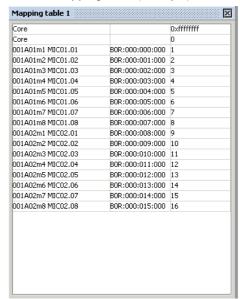


6. You can get an overview of the assignments by selecting Extras -> Show Mapping Table x from the main menus:





Mapping Table (example)





6.10 Editing the Signal List Configuration

The Signal List configuration defines the organization of mxGUI's Signal List display.

The Signal List configuration is edited using the 'Signal List Editor' window. All changes are made offline within the AdminHD session. Once editing is complete, you must export and upload a new cold start file (**gui_config.tcl**), as an online update of the Signal List is not possible. This means that to make changes to the Signal List configuration, the system requires a cold start.

Signal List Structure

The Signal List supports three levels: directories, subdirectories and signals.

The 'Signal List Editor' can add, remove and rename directories and subdirectories, and organise signals into subdirectories. You can add a signal to more than one subdirectory if you wish.

Note that there are some <u>default directories</u> which cannot be edited. And, it is not possible to edit signal names from the 'Signal List Editor' (as these are defined by the Core configuration as described <u>earlier</u>).



6.10.1 The 'Signal List Editor'

The 'Signal List Editor' provides everything required to modify the Signal List configuration. From here you can download, edit, export and upload the cold start Signal List configuration file (**gui_config.tcl**). Or, save a copy of the Signal List as an AdminHD file (**.slx**).

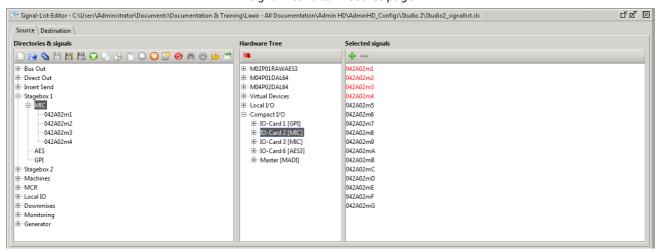
1. Select **Window** -> **Signal List** from the main menus, or click on the Toolbar icon, or use the keyboard shortcut (CTRL + SHIFT + S) to show or hide the window.

AdminHD analyses the current Core configuration and then opens the 'Signal List Editor'. The window can be positioned anywhere within the central workspace as described <u>earlier</u>.

The 'Signal List Editor' is divided into two pages: Source and Destination, each with three columns.

2. Click on the **Source** and **Destination** tabs to change between the two pages.

'Signal List Editor' - Source page



The three columns are used to configure the **Source** (or **Destination**) Signal List as follows:

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Directories & signals	This is the configured Signal List. Use the + or – signs to open or close a directory/subdirectory. Double-click on the name to edit the name of a directory/subdirectory. Right-click to create (or delete) a directory/subdirectory, change the order or add the Selected signals.
Hardware Tree	This column lists all the available signals defined by the current Core configuration. The list uses the <u>alias names</u> (if entered). Otherwise, default system names are used to describe each component. For example, MO4PO1DAL64 indicates:
	 MO4 = the Module slot position (e.g. Module 4). PO1 = the port on the Module (e.g. Port 1). DAL64 = the device on the port (e.g. a DALLIS with 64 audio channels). Use the + and - signs to open and close the branches of the Hardware Tree.
	If you add or remove a component in the Core configuration, then click on the button (in the Signal List Toolbar) to update the Hardware Tree .
	This column is used to prepare a list of signals which can then be added to a subdirectory in the Directories & signals list.
Selected signals	First, use the Hardware Tree to select the signals. You can click on an individual card or signal. Or use SHIFT + click to select a range of signals, or CTRL + click to select non-consecutive signals. Your selections are added to the Selected signals column. Note that signals in red have already been assigned to a subdirectory; those in black have not.
	Click on the 🖶 button to add the Selected signals to the current subdirectory.



6.10.2 The 'Signal List Editor' Toolbar

At the top of the 'Signal List Editor' is a toolbar which is always visible.



Note that if a button is "greyed out" then it is is not currently available - for example, you cannot **Add a new directory** until a valid position is selected in the **Directories & signals** list.

The first seven icons provide access to data-related functions:

Open config - opens an existing Signal List configuration (.slx).

Attach existing config -

Save config - saves the current Signal List configuration as a .slx file.

Save config as - saves the current Signal List configuration under a new file name/path.

Export to cold start config - exports the current Signal List configuration as a cold start **gui_config.tcl** file.

Download GUI signal list from control system - <u>downloads</u> the online Signal List configuration *from* the remote system.

The next seven icons provide editing functions for the **Directories & signals** column:

Copy node(s) - copies the selected signal or directory to the clipboard.

Cut node(s) - cuts the selected signal or directory (and copies it to the clipboard).

Paste node(s) - pastes the clipboard data to the selected directory.

Move node(s) up or down - moves the position of the selected signal or directory.

Add new directory / subdirectory - adds a new directory or subdirectory.

Delete - deletes the selected signal or directory.

The remaining icons are:

Locate signal - select a signal within the **Directories & signals** column, and then click this button to reveal its position within the **Hardware Tree**.

Generate automatic tree view - use this button to quickly generate a Signal List from your hardware components. It will automatically add the directories and signals from the **Hardware Tree** into the **Directories & signals** column. The structure uses the <u>alias names</u> (if entered). Otherwise, default system names are used to describe each component

Update hardware signal config - click on this button to update the **Hardware Tree** if changes have been made to the Core configuration. For example, if a you add or remove a hardware component.

Duplicate directory structure - click to copy the directory structure from the Directories & signals column from the Source to Destination page (or vice versa).



6.10.3 Signal List Configuration: First Steps

The available signals listed in the **Hardware Tree** are defined by the current Core configuration. Therefore, it is important to first <u>download</u> or <u>open</u> the correct Core configuration.

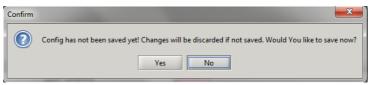
Then either <u>download</u> the existing Signal List from the remote system, or <u>open</u> a saved **.slx** file stored locally on your computer.

Alternatively, if you have neither a network connection or an existing **.slx** file, then you will need to create a <u>new</u> AdminHD session and build a Signal List from scratch.

6.10.4 Creating a New Signal List

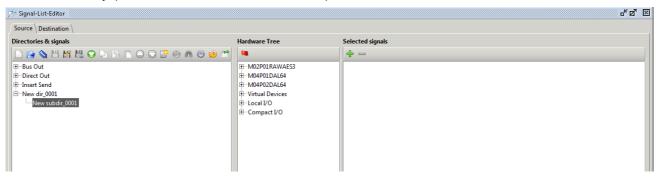
A new 'empty' Signal List is created each time you <u>open</u> the 'Signal List Editor'. However, if you wish to clear the existing data to start afresh, proceed as follows:

- 1. Click on the Dutton from the 'Signal List Editor' toolbar.
- 2. If changes have been made to the current Signal List, then you are asked if you wish to save before proceeding:



Select **Yes** to <u>save</u> the configuration (as a .slx file), or **No** to continue without saving. (Alternatively, click on the red/white cross to cancel the dialogue box and the operation.)

A new default list of **Directors & signals** appears. Note that this includes the system's <u>default directories</u> and an unnamed entry (**New_dir_001** and **New subdir_001**):

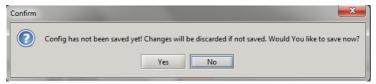




6.10.5 Opening a Saved Signal List

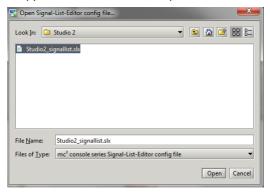
To open an existing Signal List configuration (.slx file) stored on your computer:

- Click on the button from the 'Signal List Editor' toolbar.
- 2. If changes have been made to the current Signal List, then you are asked if you wish to save before proceeding:

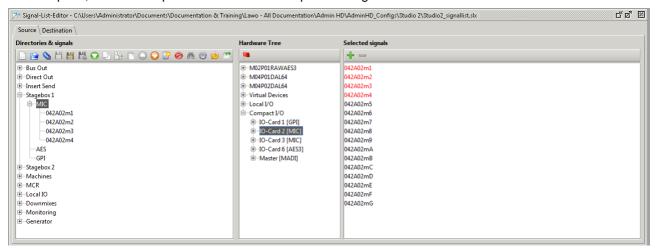


Select **Yes** to <u>save</u> the configuration (as a .slx file), or **No** to continue without saving. (Alternatively, click on the red/white cross to cancel the dialogue box and the operation.)

3. A file explorer window now appears - select a file to open and click on **Open**.



The file opens, with the file path and name at the top of the 'Signal List Editor' window:



If there is a problem opening the file, then check the file type and the AdminHD version:

- The 'Signal List Editor' can only open .slx files (not .tcl or .csv).
- .slx files saved using a newer release of AdminHD are not backwards compatible.

Also, does the file contain signals which are not supported by the current Core configuration? If so, then some parts of the Signal List will not load.



6.10.6 Defining the Directories & Subdirectories

When editing a Signal List, the first step is to define each directory and its subdirectories.

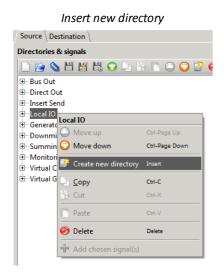
1. Select an entry in the **Directories & signals** column and then right-click and select **Create new** directory.

A new directory is added below your selection and given a default name.

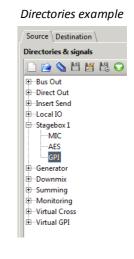
Double-click to edit the name - you can enter up to 16 characters.

It is best to keep names as short as possible for easy operation from mxGUI.

3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 to create and name each directory and all of its subdirectories.







- **4.** Right-click on a directory (or subdirectory) and select **Move up** or **Move down** to move the entry up or down the list.
- 5. Right-click on a directory (or subdirectory) and select **Delete** to remove the entry.

Note that you cannot delete, rename or move any of the default directories at the top of the list.

Remember that there are two pages for each side of the **Signal List** display, and so you will need to repeat the steps for each page: **Source** and **Destination**. Or, use the <u>Duplicate directory structure</u> toolbar function.

Default Directories

For the mc² mixing consoles, you will see some default **Source** and **Destination** directories which cannot be edited or deleted. These provide access to the console's channel DSP resources (**Input/Mon A+ B, Bus Out**, **Direct Out**, **Insert Send/Return**), and other options dependent on your Core configuration (**mxDSP Signals**):





You can select whether the Input/Mon A + B directory appears from the Extras -> Preferences -> Signal List Editor options.

You will only see the mxDSP Signals directory if an mxDSP module has been added to the Core configuration.



6.10.7 Adding & Removing Signals

Once a subdirectory has been defined, you are ready to add the signals:

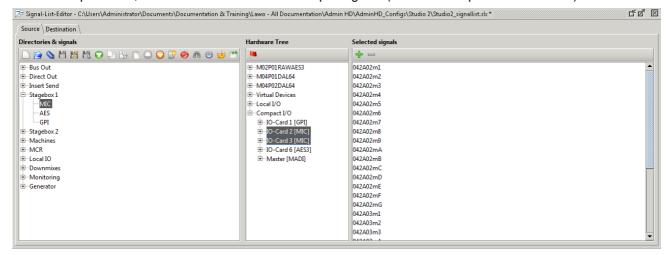
1. First, use the Hardware Tree to build up a list of signals in the Selected signals column.

Note that any entries in red have already been assigned somewhere in the Signal List; those in black have not.

- To select all the signals from a card, click on the card name.
- To select a consecutive range of signals, press and hold SHIFT and then select the first and last signal, or first and last card.
- To select non-consecutive signals, press and hold CTRL and then click on the signals or cards.

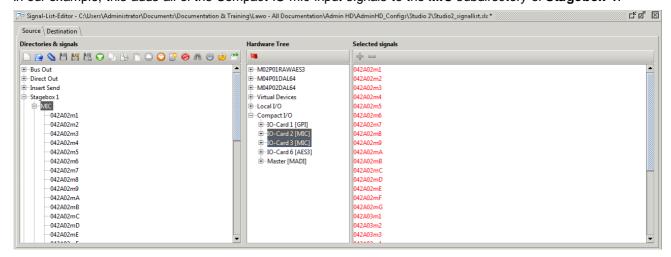
To remove a signal from the **Selected signals** list, select it and then click on the <u>selected</u> button.

In the example below, we have selected all the mic input signals (from the Compact IO MIC cards):



2. Then click on the button to add all of the **Selected signals** to the selected subdirectory.

In our example, this adds all of the Compact IO mic input signals to the **MIC** subdirectory of **Stagebox 1**:



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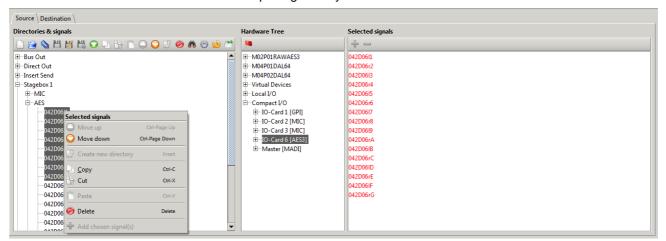
Take care when using the 🖶 button as it can be selected multiple times!

You can add a signal to more than one subdirectory if you wish.



3. If you make a mistake and need to remove a signal, then right-click on the signal (in the **Directories & signals** column) and select **Delete**.

You can use SHIFT or CTRL to select multiple signals if you wish:



- **4.** Right-click on a signal, or range of signals, and select **Move up** or **Move down** to move the entries up or down the list.
- 5. Repeat these steps to add all signals to all of your new subdirectories.

Remember that there are two pages for each side of the **Signal List** display, and so you will need to repeat the steps for each page: **Source** and **Destination**.

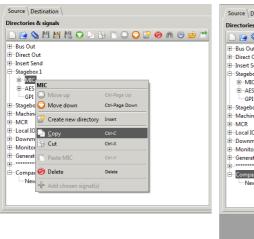
6.10.8 Copy, Cut and Paste

The Copy, Cut and Paste functions provide a quick way to copy and paste signals or directories.

In each case, right-click on an entry in the Directories & signals column and choose Copy, Cut or Paste.

In the example below, the MIC subdirectory has been copied from the directory Stagebox 1 to Compact IO lower down the list:

Right-click to **Copy** subdirectory



Right-click to **Paste**



Copy & Paste complete



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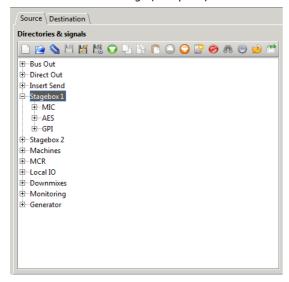
6.10.9 Duplicating the Directory Structure

This function copies the structure of your **Source** directories to the **Destination** page, or vice versa. It can be very useful if you wish to use similarly named directories and subdirectories in your **Source** and **Destination** lists.

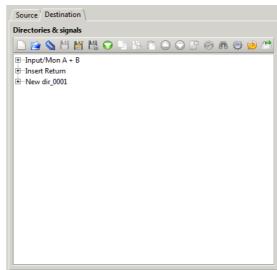
1. First, edit either your **Source** (or **Destination**) page.

In the example below, the **Source** page configuration is complete, while the **Destination** page remains incomplete.

Source Page (Complete)







2. Select the page you wish to copy from (e.g. **Source**), and click on the button from the 'Signal List Editor' toolbar.

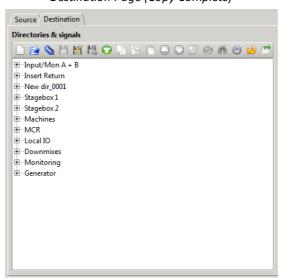
This copies the current page's directory structure to the alternate page.

Take care when using this button as it can be selected multiple times!

3. Now switch to the alternate page (e.g. **Destination**) to check the results.

The copied directories will be added after any existing directories - in our example, after the empty directory (New_dir_0001):

Destination Page (Copy Complete)





6.11 Online Operations

If you switch AdminHD to online mode, it can be used for system diagnostics or to update the online configuration.

6.11.1 Getting Online

Make sure that you have a valid network <u>connection</u> between your computer and the mc²/Nova control system, and then:

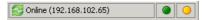
1. Select Remote -> Online/Offline to remote system from the main menus, or click on the toolbar icon.

AdminHD will connect to, and then synchronize with, the remote system.

If the connection is successful, then the 'Core Browser' and 'Hardware Panel' update to reflect the current hardware structure of the connected system.

If there is a mismatch between your AdminHD session and the configuration read from the connected system, then you will see a <u>summary</u> of the differences. To avoid this, go offline, download the existing Core configuration from the system (as described <u>earlier</u>), and then switch back to online mode.

You will see the IP address of the connected host in the AdminHD status bar (bottom right):



If the connection fails, then the 'Remote Log' reports that the connection has timed out. In this instance:

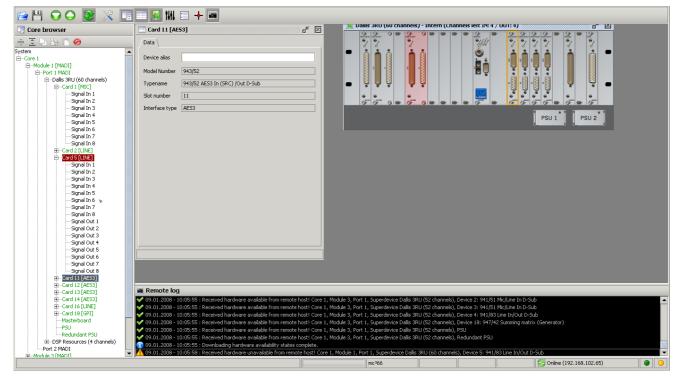
- Check the network connection and TCP/IP settings of your computer's network interface card.
- Check that AdminHD is compatible with the mc²/Nova system (the first three digits of the software versions must match.)
- See also the trouble-shooting tips to resolve the problem.
- 2. Select the same menu option or toolbar icon to switch offline.

Optionally, you can enable **Remote -> Reconnect mode** (from the main menus). When enabled, AdminHD attempts to automatically reconnect to the remote control system if network communication is interrupted.



6.11.2 System Diagnostics

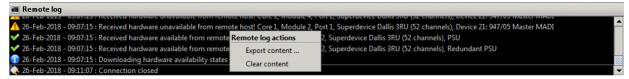
From an AdminHD computer running online, you can use the 'Core Browser' and 'Hardware Panel' to monitor the real-time status of all hardware components:



All components are monitored, including the status of the Core and any remote IO devices.

Components which are operating normally are colored green; faulty components are highlighted in red. In our example above, one of the DALLIS plug-in cards is missing or faulty.

In addition, the <u>'Remote Log'</u> records all messages generated by AdminHD and the online system. Right-click to export the contents of the 'Remote Log' as a plain text file:



This can be opened by any common text editor or emailed to Lawo support.

6.11.3 The Messages Log

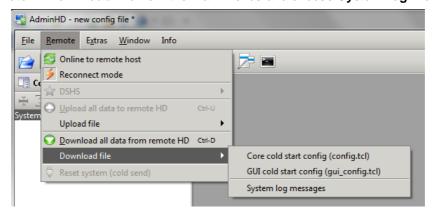
The **mesages** logfile is generated and stored by the control system during operation. It can be downloaded from remote system and saved on your computer using AdminHD.

Note that this is the one of the <u>system logfiles</u> which can also be copied to USB, from mxGUI, using the **File** display, or monitored using the <u>Web Browser Interface</u>.

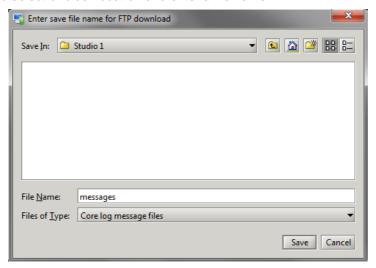


To download the logfile:

1. Select Remote -> Download file from the main menus and choose System log messages:



2. You are asked to select a folder location and enter a file name:



3. Click **Save** - AdminHD downloads the file.

The log is stored as a plain text file. It can be opened by any common text editor or emailed to Lawo support.



6.11.4 Updating the Online Configuration

For temporary changes to the configuration or testing purposes, you can update the online Core configuration.

This is the current configuration of the system which is stored in temporary memory and saved at shutdown (as part of the warm start data). This method does not require a cold start and, therefore, can be used for routing matrix installations where 24 hour continuous operation is required.

Note that only the Core configuration can be modified in this manner; you cannot update the Signal List.

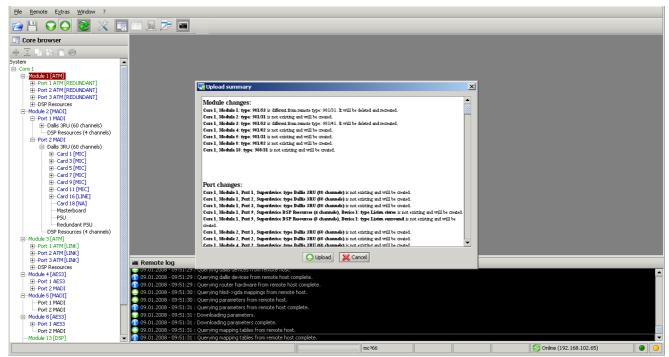
WARNING: Following a cold start the system will *always* reset to the settings stored in the **config.tcl** and **gui_config.tcl** files. So, for all permanent changes, you should *always* use the cold start update method.

> To upload your current AdminHD session to the remote system:

1. Enable online mode, by selecting **Remote** -> **Online/Offline to remote system** from the main menus, or clicking on the toolbar icon.

AdminHD will connect to, and then synchronize with, the remote system.

In this instance there will be some differences between your AdminHD session and the configuration read from the connected system - these are listed in the 'Upload summary':



Use the summary to review the changes BEFORE continuing with the upload.

2. Click on **Upload** to continue or **Cancel** to abort the operation.

The 'Remote Log' shows the progress of the data transfer. After a successful upload, the system updates immediately; there is no need to restart.



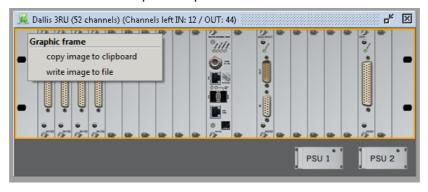
6.12 Documenting the Configuration

AdminHD provides two tools to help document the system once you have programmed your configuration: "copy image/write image to File" and "Export a Component List".

6.12.1 Copy Image / Write Image to File

You can save the graphical images used within AdminHD to help document your system - for example, to save the front panel configuration of your Nova73 and DALLIS.

- 1. Open the <u>'Hardware Panel'</u> and hover your mouse over the frame of the Core or DALLIS the frame is outlined in orange.
- 2. Right-click and select one of the drop-down options:

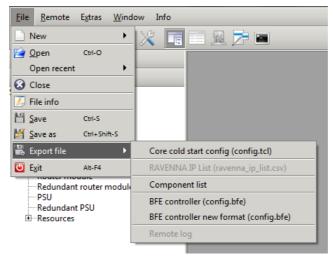


- copy image to clipboard saves the graphic to your computer's clipboard.
- write image to file saves to graphic as a .png image file. You are asked for a folder location and filename.

6.12.2 Export a Component List

You can export a component parts list as a .csv file. This can be opened in a 3rd party editor, such as MS Excel.

1. Select File -> Export file -> Component list from the main menus:



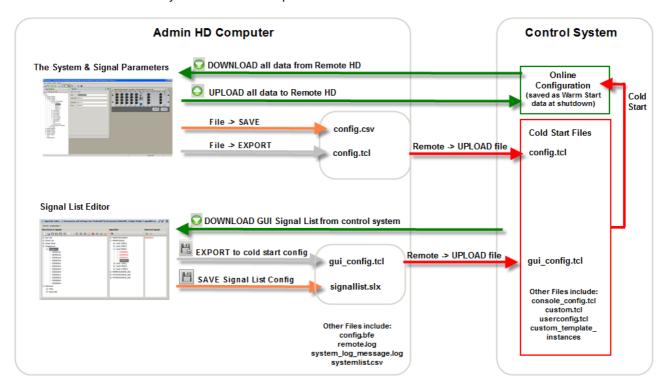
- 2. A File Explorer window appears select a folder location and enter a filename.
- 3. Click **Save** the component list is stored as a .csv file on your computer.

From Version 5.14, you can use the **Export file -> RAVENNA IP List** option to export a list of Device IDs and IP settings for all RAVENNA nodes. This option will by greyed out if no RAVENNA nodes have been configured.



6.13 More About the Configuration Files

The diagram below illustrates how configuration data is stored on the Nova73 MKII control system, and which files can be edited and saved on your AdminHD computer:



6.13.1 Cold Start Files (on the Control System)

The following files are stored on the mc²/Nova control system, and are read at boot-up following a cold start.

- **config.tcl** defines the Core configuration.
- gui_config.tcl defines the Signal List configuration.
- **custom.tcl** defines customer-specific functions.
- userconfig.tcl defines the user monitoring functions in the mc² console series.
- **Custom_template_instances** define the custom functions programmed from the **Custom Functions** display. Each function is stored as a separate .tcl file.

The table below shows which files can be edited by the customer and which must be factory-configured. Also, which transfer method can be used to make a backup copy of the file.

System Filename	User Configured	File Transfer Method	Appears in mxGUI as:
config.tcl	√ AdminHD	mxGUI, AdminHD, FTP	Core Configuration
gui_config.tcl	√ AdminHD	mxGUI, AdminHD, FTP	Signal List Configuration
custom.tcl	×	FTP	n/a
userconfig.tcl	×	FTP	n/a
Custom template instances (folder)	✓ Custom Functions display	mxGUI, FTP	Custom template instances (folder)

Factory-configured files such as the **custom.tcl** and **userconfig.tcl** must be edited by Lawo personnel. If you wish to modify these aspects of the system, please contact your local Lawo representative or email support@lawo.com.



6.13.2 AdminHD Files (on your computer)

The following files can be created by AdminHD and stored locally on your computer:

config.csv

This file is created when you <u>save</u> the Core configuration. This is a .csv file which can be opened by AdminHD or imported into a 3rd party editor such as MS Excel.

You can give this file any name as long as it keeps the **.csv** suffix. It is a good idea to keep "config" in the name to distinguish it from other .csv files.

signallist.slx

This file is created when you <u>save</u> the Signal List configuration from the 'Signal List Editor'. This is a .slx file which can only be opened by AdminHD.

You can give this file any name as long as it keeps the .slx suffix.

config.tcl and gui_config.tcl

These are the cold start configuration files <u>exported</u> from AdminHD. They are stored locally on your computer, in preparation for an upload to the system.

DO NOT rename these files, or edit them using an application other than AdminHD. Otherwise, they cannot be read by the control system! If you wish to keep copies of 'older' versions, store them in a sub folder or change the filename.

systemlist.csv

This file can be exported to produce a <u>parts list</u> for the hardware defined within your configuration. It is a .csv file which can be opened by a 3rd party editor, such as MS Excel, in order to print or view the data.

config.bfe

This file can be exported for use with a BFE controller system. For more details, please contact your local Lawo representative or email support@lawo.com.

remote.log

This file is created when you save the contents of the 'Remote Log' window as a text file.

system_log_message.log

This file can be downloaded from the mc²/Nova control system to assist with diagnostics.



6.14 Using AdminHD with mxGUI

mxGUI can run online to remotely control a real system. It emulates the GUI displays of the mc^2 consoles, providing control of virtually any user parameter. For more details on mxGUI, please refer to your Operators Manual.

Both programs can run offline on your computer. This allows you to prepare a complete system ahead of an event as follows:

- 1. Use **AdminHD** to define the Core configuration (config.tcl) and Signal List (gui_config.tcl) in the usual manner.
- 2. Upload the configuration files from **AdminHD** to the **mxGUI** local control system on your computer.

You can connect AdminHD to mxGUI by entering mxGUI's virtual IP address (192.168.56.101).

- 3. Use **mxGUI** to prepare and save user settings (by saving a production).
- **4.** Once connected to the final system, you can use **mxGUI** to transfer both the configuration and production(s) from your computer to the Lawo control system.



6.15 Core Configuration Parameters

This section describes all of the Core configuration parameters available in AdminHD. In each case, you should open the 'Parameter Box' window.

Component and signal parameters are covered according to their hierarchical order within the 'Core Browser' system tree. For more details on functionality, please consult the relevant <u>data sheets</u>.

6.15.1 System

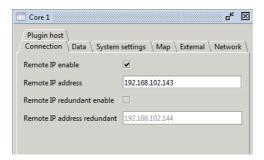


Usually all Lawo projects receive a project ID, made up of 6 integers. You can log your project ID here; you can be asked for it when servicing your product. The field can be left blank.

System alias

Enter an alias name for the System.

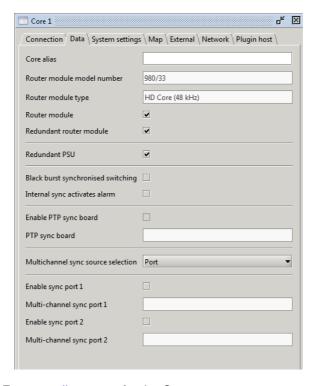
6.15.2 Core -> Connection



These parameters define the TCP/IP address of the Nova73 MKII control system. See <u>Editing the IP Address</u> for details.



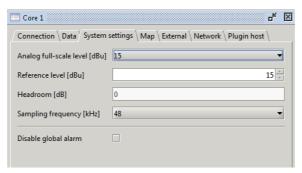
6.15.3 Core -> Data



Core alias	Enter an <u>alias name</u> for the Core .
Router module model number & type	These fields are for information purposes only and cannot be edited. They show the serial number and type of Router Module. The type of Router Module is defined when you add a Core to the System.
Router module	This box should <i>always</i> remain ticked, as every Core requires at least one Router Module.
Red. router module	Tick this box to add a redundant Router Module to the Nova73.
Redundant PSU	Tick this box to add a redundant PSU to the Nova73.
Black burst synchronized switching	Tick this box to make matrix cross point switching synchronous to an external Black Burst sync source.
Internal sync activates alarm	Tick this box to activate the Global Alarm if the system switches to internal sync.
Enable PTP sync board	Relevant IF Multichannel sync source selection = PTP (see below).
PTP sync board	This box displays the PTP sync board source as a system address (if Enable PTP sync board is active).
· ·	Use this menu to define the multi-channel sync source - either PTP or Port.
selection	If you select PTP , then tick the Enable PTP sync board option and choose a RAVENNA IO module from the pop-up window. All RAVENNA IO ports on the board will TX or RX PTP.
	If you select Port , then tick the Enable sync port 1 option and choose the IO port receiving the incoming sync signal - you can choose any MADI IO port. A main and backup sync port can be selected.
Enable sync port x	Relevant IF Multichannel sync source selection = Port (see above).
Multi-channel sync port x	This box displays the multi-channel sync port source as a system address (if Enable sync port is active).

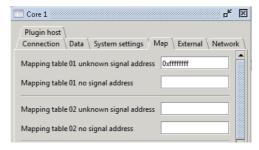


6.15.4 Core -> System Settings



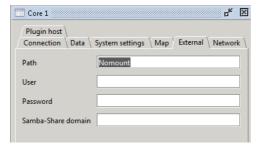
Analog full-scale level (dBU)	This option sets the analog level which corresponds to digital full scale level (0dBFS). You can select 12, 15, 18, 21 or 24 dBu.
Reference Level (dBU)	This field sets the internal reference level of the system. The maximum reference level is 24dBu.
Headroom (dB)	The resultant headroom is calculated from the first two options. See System Operating Levels for details.
Sampling Frequency	This parameter sets the internal sampling frequency which the system resets to after a cold start. See Internal Sampling Rate for details.
Disable Global Alarm	Tick this box is you wish to disable the Global Alarm.

6.15.5 Core -> Map



These parameters are used if you wish to control matrix crosspoints from an external device. See <u>Mapping</u> <u>Tables</u> for details.

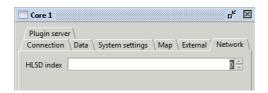
6.15.6 Core -> External



These parameters are used to connect an external file server to the system. Once configured, the server is available to users via mxGUl's File Import/Export page.



6.15.7 Core -> Network

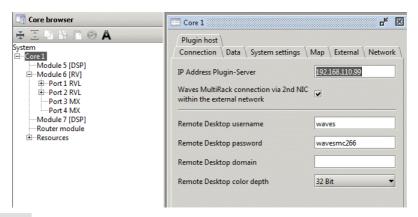


HLSD index

This parameter is used if your **Core** is part of a larger network, in order to keep all <u>HLSD addresses</u> unique.

Once you have set the network index, you can use the **Replace all default HLSD** classes with new **Nework index** option (in the Extras menu) to reset the HLSD classes. For example, if the index = 2, then the resulting default HLSD classes (in/out) = B2R and B2S.

6.15.8 Core -> Plugin Server



IP Address Plug-in Server

Enter the IP Address of the MultiRack host PC (if you have the optional Waves SoundGrid Plug-in Server).

Please see the "Waves Plug-in Server for mc² User Guide" for details on how to complete the other options.

Remote Desktop username, password and color depth

These parameters configure the Remote Desktop connection to the Plug-in Server

You should enter the username and password which matches the Windows user name and password entered on the PC host.

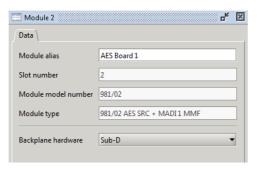
For a Waves SoundGrid system, a color depth of 24 Bit is recommended.



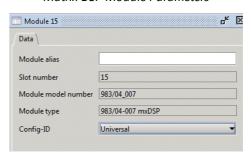
6.15.9 Modules

Parameters for a **Module** depend on the module type:

IO, & Channel DSP Module Parameters



Matrix DSP Module Parameters

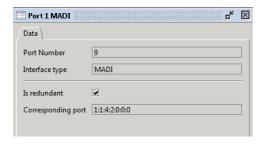


Module alias	Enter an alias name for the Module .
Slot number Module model number Module type	These fields are for information purposes only and cannot be edited. They show the Slot number used in the Core, and the serial number and <u>type</u> of module.
Config-ID	On the 983/03_007 mxDSP module, this parameter defines how the matrix DSP is configured. See mxDSP configuration for details.
Backplane Hardware	On the 981/02 and 981/04 AES3 modules, this parameter defines the <u>rear connector</u> <u>panel</u> (either D-type or BNC).

6.15.10 Ports

Parameters for a **Port** depend on the port type:

MADI & RAVENNA Port Parameters



AES Port Parameters



Port Number Interface type	These fields are for information purposes only and cannot be edited. They show the logical port number, which is dependent on the module's slot position in the Core, and the interface type (MADI, RAVENNA, etc.)
Is redundant	Tick this box to enable <u>port redundancy</u> . You will be prompted to select the redundant port.
Corresponding port	Shows the system address of the linked port, if Is redundant is enabled.



6.15.11 Super-Device

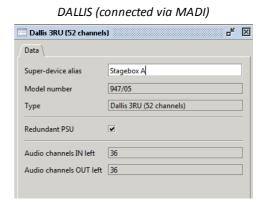
Super-Device is the generic term used to describe the IO port's <u>definition</u>: **DALLIS**, **Compact IO**, **Tie-Line**, etc. The parameters depend on the device type and its connection.

Tie-Line

Tie-Line (64 channels)

Data \
Super-device alias
Type

Tie-Line (64 channels)



Super-device alias

Model number & Type

These fields are for information purposes only and cannot be edited. They describe the serial number (of a DALLIS frame) and the type of Super-device.

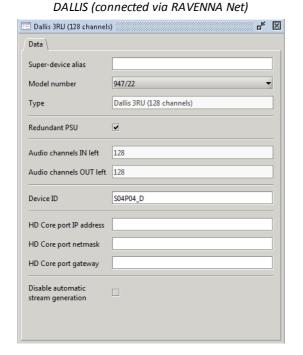
Redundant PSU

Tick this box to add a redundant PSU to the DALLIS frame.

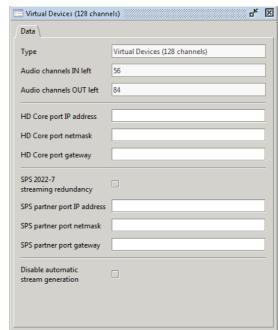
These two boxes cannot be edited and show the number of 'free' audio channels left in the DALLIS frame. These are channels which could be used by fitting additional plugin cards.)

If a device is connected via RAVENNA Net, then there are some additional parameters to configure the RAVENNA Device ID, IP settings and, if supported, SMPTE 2022-7 Seamless Protection Switching (SPS).

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Virtual Devices Port



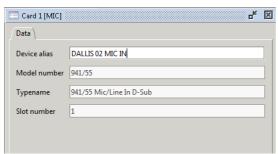
For more details, please see the separate "RAVENNA for mc²/Nova User Guide".



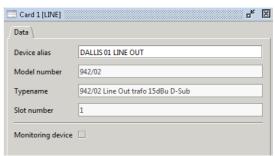
6.15.12 Cards

Parameters for the IO **Card**s depend on the card type. Below are two examples. For details on other parameters, please refer to the card's data sheet.

DALLIS Mic Card Parameters



DALLIS Line Card Parameters



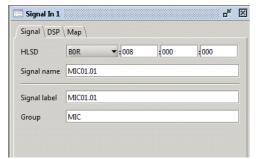
Device alias	Enter an alias name for the card.
Model number Typename Slot number	These fields are for information purposes only and cannot be edited. They show the serial number and type of card, the slot position within the DALLIS frame, and the interface type.
Monitoring device	For 942/02 and 942/12 cards only. Tick this box to release the card from the system <u>reference level</u> , if the card is to be used for monitoring.



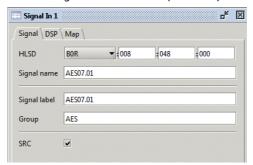
6.15.13 Signal In -> Signal

Signal In parameters depend on the type of signal (Mic, Line, AES, SDI, etc.). Below are two examples. For details on other parameters, please refer to the IO card's data sheet.

Mic Signal In Parameters



AES Signal In Parameters (with SRC)



HLSD	High Level Signal Definition - this is the Lawo system address for the signal. It <i>MUST</i> be unique, and normally you should not modify this address from its default setting.
Signal name	This is the system <u>name</u> of the signal. It can <i>only</i> be defined by AdminHD, and should be used to provide a "fixed" signal name relevant to the installation.
Signal label	This is the user <u>label</u> which the system resets to after a cold start. Users can change labels later, from mxGUl's Signal List display.
Group	This is the group name for the signal. It can be used when interfacing to an <u>external</u> <u>controller</u> . Please refer to your external system's documentation for details on how to implement the group name.
SRC	For AES cards with SRC only.
	Tick this box to enable the sample rate converter. Users can change this parameter later, from mxGUl's Signal Settings display.

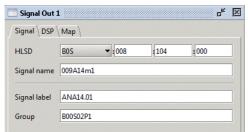
To make a digital path suitable for Dolby E operation, you should turn off the IO DSP for both the input and output, and disable any sample rate conversion.



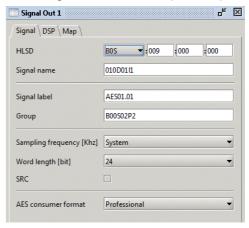
6.15.14 Signal Out -> Signal

Signal Out parameters depend on the type of signal (Line, AES, SDI, etc.). Below are two examples. For details on other parameters, please refer to the IO card's data sheet.

Line Signal Out Parameters



AES Signal Out Parameters (with SRC)



HLSD	See <u>Signal In: HLSD</u> .
Signal name	See <u>Signal In: Name</u> .
Signal label	See <u>Signal In: Label</u> .
Group	See Signal In: Group.
Sampling frequency	For AES cards with SRC only.
Word length	Sets the sample rate and word length for the output.
SRC	Note that the SRC field cannot be edited and shows the status of the sample rate converter. To disable the SRC, you <i>must</i> set the Sampling frequency to System and Word length to 24 -bit. For all other combinations, SRC is always enabled. Users can change these parameters later, from mxGUl's Signal Settings display.
AFS consumer format	For AES cards released after 2006.
ALO CONSUMO TOTAL	Sets the channel status of the AES output to either Consumer or Professional . Please refer to the AES3 standard definition for details.

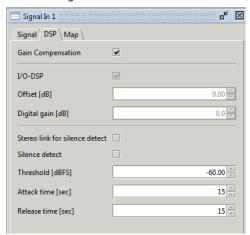
To make a digital path suitable for Dolby E operation, you should turn off the IO DSP for both the input and output, and disable any sample rate conversion.



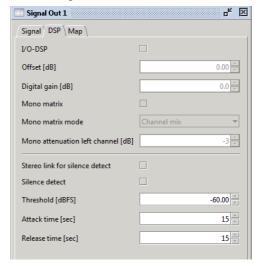
6.15.15 Signal In/Out -> DSP

The **DSP** tab adjusts parameters for the signal's IO DSP and Silence Detect alarms. Note that not all cards support these parameters.

Signal In DSP Parameters



Signal Out DSP Parameters



Signal In Parameters

Gain Compensation

Appears for inputs which support IP-SHARE. Tick the box to enable Gain Compensation.

Note that if Gain Compensation is enabled, then you cannot enable IO DSP (as it is

this which handles the gain compensation).

General Parameters

IO-DSP	Tick this box to enable the IO DSP . Once enabled, the following parameters become active:
Offset (dB) Digital gain (dB)	Enter an offset and/or digital gain value in dB. The resultant gain (Offset + Digital gain) is applied to the signal within the IO card, and therefore affects all destinations.
	The two separate parameters (Offset and Digital gain) allow you to apply a 'permanent' and a 'temporary' gain change. For example, to compensate for a low level line input, use the Offset parameter to apply a 'permanent' gain change. In addition, for today's production you can also need to compensate for a badly recorded signal; for this 'temporary' adjustment, use the Digital gain . At the end of the production, you can easily reset the Digital gain to 0 dB while keeping the Offset gain intact.

To make a digital path suitable for Dolby E operation, you should turn off the IO DSP for both the input and output, and disable any sample rate conversion.



Signal Out Parameters

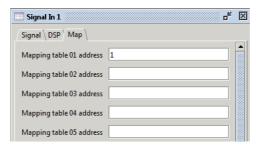
Mono matrix	Tick this box to enable the mono matrix settings and link the output signal to its odd/even partner.
	When the mono matrix is enabled, you can then adjust the following parameters:
Mono matrix mode	The mode can be set to:
	 Channel mix – sums the left and right inputs and routes the mono sum to both left and right outputs.
	Channel swap – routes the left input to the right output and vice versa.
	 Left to both – routes the left input to both outputs.
	 Right to both – routes the right input to both outputs.
Mono attenuation left channel (dB)	When working in Channel mix mode, you can set attenuation (e.g3dB) to compensate for the mono sum. This is applied to the left output signal.

Silence Detect Parameters

The Silence Detect parameters can be applied to trigger an alarm state if signals fall below a certain threshold level. The alarms can be output to an external control system, via Lawo's Remote MNOPL protocol, or monitoring using the Web Browser Interface.

Silence detect	Tick this box to enable the Silence Detect alarm for the signal.
Stereo link for Silence Detect	Tick this box to link the left and right sides of a stereo input or output for 'Silence Detection'. When linked, the alarm is only issued if both signals fall below the Threshold level.
	Only odd and even adjacent signals can be linked.
Threshold (dBFS)	Set the threshold below which the Silence Detect alarm will be triggered. The level can be adjusted in 0.25dB steps and is referenced to digital full scale level (dBFS).
Attack Time (sec)	This sets the length of time for which the signal must fall below the Threshold level before the Silence Detect alarm is activated. The time is set in steps of 1 second.
Release Time (sec)	This sets the length of time for which the signal must remain below the Threshold level before the Silence Detect alarm is cancelled. The time is set in steps of 1 second.

6.15.16 Signal In/Out -> Map



These parameters set the signal's address for each of the mapping tables 1 to 16. You should use these parameters to map a signal to an external controller, see <u>Mapping Tables</u>.



7. mxDSP Configuration

This chapter describes how to configure the 983/03-007 or 983/04-007 mxDSP modules.

Topics include:

- Introduction
- Editing the Core Configuration
- Editing the Signal List Configuration
- Updating the Module's Firmware

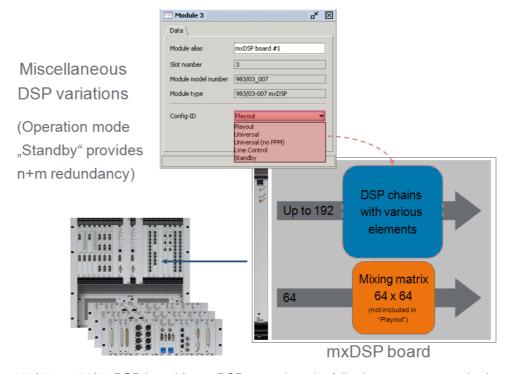


7.1 Introduction

An mxDSP module provides a pool of DSP resource which can be applied to signal paths within the routing matrix. For example, to apply fixed DSP settings to line arrays.

Physically, each mxDSP module is identical to a normal channel DSP board and occupies one slot within the Nova73. However, rather than DSP channels, which can be assigned to the console surface, the mxDSP provides DSP "chains" which can be viewed and controlled from the **mxDSP Settings** display.

Several configuration options are supported, providing up to 192 DSP chains plus a 64 x 64 mixing matrix per module. The DSP chains are configured from various elements including level, mute, delay, EQ, etc. The number of DSP chains, and their signal flow, is determined by the AdminHD configuration:



To configure a 983/03 or 983/04 DSP board for mxDSP operation, the following steps are required:

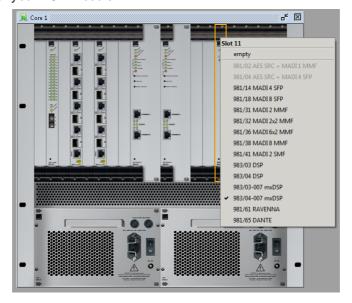
- 1. Edit the Core configuration using AdminHD.
- 2. Edit the Signal List configuration using AdminHD.
- 3. Upload new versions of the cold start configuration files in the <u>usual</u> manner.
- 4. Update the firmware on the mxDSP module.
- 5. Cold start the system and check the configuration by opening the mxGUl's mxDSP Settings and Signal List displays.

The rest of this chapter describes steps 1, 2 and 4 in more detail. For more information on operation, please refer to your Operator's Manual.

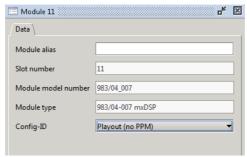


7.2 Editing the Core Configuration

1. Open the <u>'Hardware Panel'</u> for the Core, right-click on the DSP module's slot position and choose the correct **mxDSP** option for your DSP module:



2. Open the module's 'Parameters Box' and select an option from the Config-ID menu:



You can also enter a Module alias if you wish. The remaining parameter fields are for information purposes only.

7.2.1 Config-ID Options

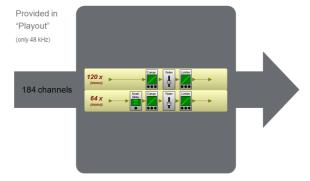
The **Config-ID** defines the signal flow of the DSP chains and whether the module supports the 64×64 mixing matrix.

> Standby

Select this option to run the mxDSP module in standby mode. Use this mode to configure a redundant mxDSP module.

Playout (no PPM)

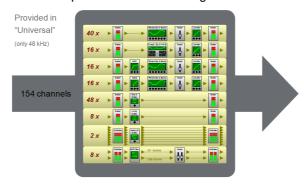
This option provides 184 channels of DSP only (no mixing matrix):





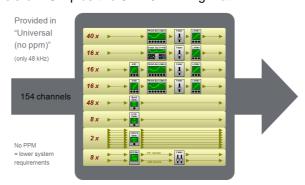
Universal

This option provides 154 channels of DSP plus the 64 x 64 mixing matrix:



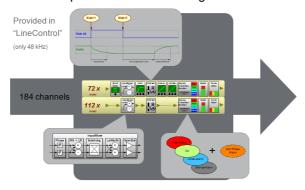
➤ Universal (no PPM)

This option provides 154 channels of DSP plus the 64 x 64 mixing matrix:



> Line Control

This option provides 184 channels of DSP plus the 64 x 64 mixing matrix:



➤ Line Control (no PPM)

This option provides 184 channels of DSP, as above, but with less system resources, similar to **Universal (no PPM)**.

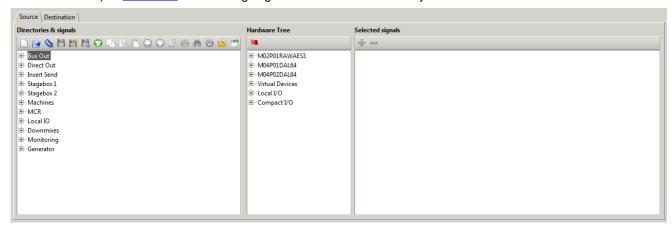


7.3 Editing the Signal List Configuration

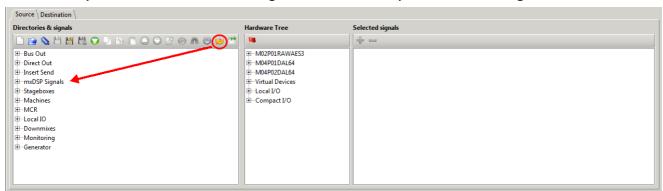
Having added a new mxDSP module, or changed its operating mode (via the **Config-ID**), it is necessary to update the Signal List configuration. Otherwise, the correct signals will not appear in mxGUl's **Signal List** display.

To update the Signal List:

1. Open the 'Signal List Editor' and, if you have not already done so, click on (from the 'Signal List Editor' toolbar) to download the existing Signal List from the remote system:



2. Then click on (from the 'Signal List Editor' toolbar) to add the mxDSP signals - the signals are automatically added to the **Directories & signals list** in a Directory named **mxDSP Signals**:

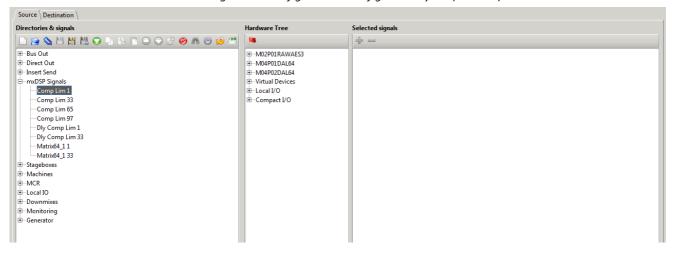


Note that, unlike external signals, the mxDSP Directory and Subdirectories cannot be renamed or repositioned, and will always appear below the other internal signals: **Bus Out**, **Direct Out** and **Insert Send**.



Open the **mxDSP Signals** branch to see the Subdirectory names - these correspond to the <u>Config ID</u> defined in the Core configuration.

mxDSP Signal List Configuration: Config ID = Playout (no PPM)





7.4 Updating the Module's Firmware

Before the mxDSP module will operate correctly, its software must be updated as follows. Make sure that you have uploaded the new cold start configuration files, as described <u>earlier</u>, before continuing as the firmware update relies on the correct Core configuration (in step 3).

- 1. Using a computer connected to the Lawo <u>system network</u>, open a <u>telnet session</u> to the mc²/Nova control system.
- 2. At the main control system prompt, type **mcxsh** and press Enter this opens the mcx shell program.
- 3. Then type the command mcx_software_auto_update and press Enter.

The software on each card is automatically updated according to the Core configuration:

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The mxDSP module is now ready for operation.



8. Software Tools & Diagnostics

This chapter describes the software tools available for diagnostics.

Topics include:

- Shutdown & Restart
- <u>Diagnosing System Errors</u>
- Other GUI Diagnostics
- AdminHD Diagnostics
- Web Browser Interface
- Global Alarm
- DALLIS Local Alarm
- System Logfiles
- Telnet Sessions
- File Transfer via FTP
- Running a PING test



8.1 Shutdown & Restart

Shutdown

The system should be shut down by powering off the Nova73 (via the mains connections at the front of the unit).

Following switch-off, power is provided to the control system for a further few seconds. During this time, all current settings are saved to flash memory; this is known as the warm start data. You will hear several tones signaling that the shut down has been successfully completed.

You can switch off the power to other components, such as remote IO devices, at any time.

Starting the System (Warm Start)

The system starts automatically when power is supplied to the Nova73.

The control system boots in a few seconds. By default, the warm start data is loaded at the end of boot-up. This means that the system comes back exactly as it was when you last shut down, ensuring fast recovery of all previous settings following a loss of power. Once boot-up is complete, the **ACTIVE** LEDs on all plug-in modules should blink synchronously. The router is now ready for operation.

The following settings are stored in the warm start data, and are recalled following a warm start:

- Core configuration settings changed by an online AdminHD computer.
- Matrix crosspoints and IO parameters (Mic preamp gain, SRC on/off, etc.)
- mxDSP configuration and parameters (if applicable).

Starting the System (Cold Start)

Alternatively, the system can be set to cold start, following the next reboot, by selecting the **Global** -> "Prepare Coldstart" option in the **System Settings** display. First, enable the option, and then restart the control system (e.g. power off and on).

A cold start boots without loading any warm start data. You should perform a cold start *only* if there is a problem with the warm start data, or if you wish to clear all warm start data from the system.

Following a cold start:

• All configuration files (defined by AdminHD) return to their cold start defaults (config.tcl, gui_config.tcl, etc.)

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- All matrix connections are cleared, unless protected by the factory-configuration.
- All IO parameters are set to factory default values.
- All mxDSP parameters are set to factory default values (if applicable).

The best way to reset the Nova73 for a new job or show is to load a production.



8.2 Diagnosing System Errors

In the event of a component failure, a hazard warning flag appears in the title bar of mxGUI. Hover over the warning triangle to view the last ten alarm messages. Messages in red indicate active alarms; messages in yellow are resolved.

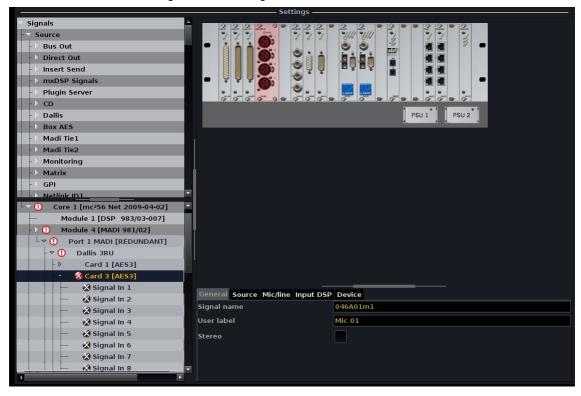


To interrogate further:

Open the Signal Settings display.

This display monitors all of the components defined in the AdminHD configuration. In the event of a problem, a red/white cross appears in the **System** tree.

- **2.** Follow the red warning flags and open each branch of the tree to find the problem in our example, a DALLIS card.
- 3. Open the DALLIS card further, and you will see grey/white crosses beside **Signal In 1**, **Signal In 2**, etc. These show that the AES signals are no longer available:



3. Check and replace the card if necessary.

Once all components are connected and working correctly, the red/white crosses disappear from the **System Settings** display and the hazard warning flag in the title bar is cleared.



8.3 Other GUI Diagnostics

Redundant Router Module Takeover

If a redundant Router Module is fitted to the Core, you can force a manual takeover to the redundant module (from the **System Settings** display or Nova73).

DSN Connection

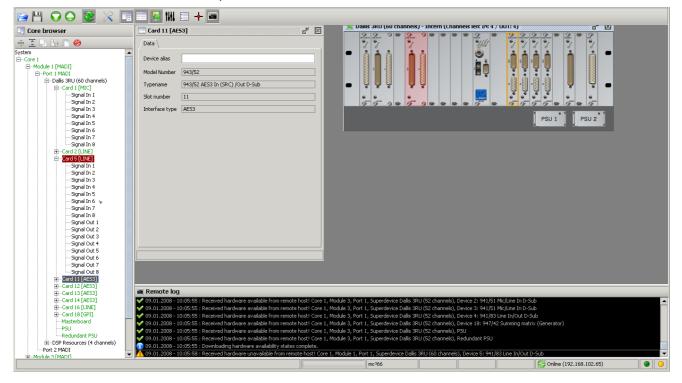
From Version 5.4 onwards, if your system is networked to other Lawo systems, then the following icon appears if the network connection fails:





8.4 AdminHD Diagnostics

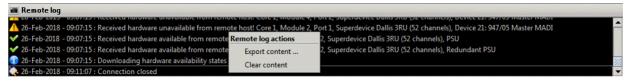
From an AdminHD computer running online, you can use the <u>'Core Browser'</u> and <u>'Hardware Panel'</u> to monitor the real-time status of all hardware components:



All components are monitored, including the status of the Core and any remote IO devices.

Components which are operating normally are colored green; faulty components are highlighted in red. In our example above, one of the DALLIS plug-in cards is missing or faulty.

In addition, the <u>'Remote Log'</u> records all messages generated by AdminHD and the online system. Right-click to export the contents of the 'Remote Log' as a plain text file:



This can be opened by any common text editor or emailed to Lawo support.



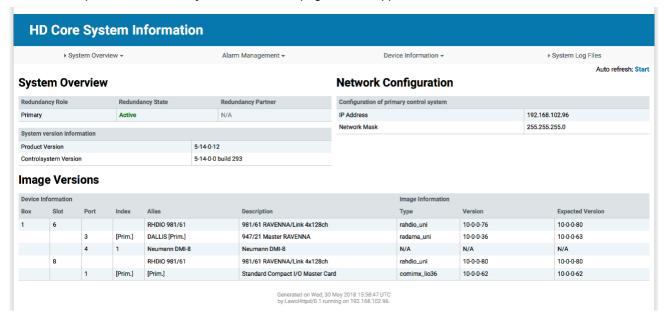
8.5 Web Browser Interface

The control system includes an integrated web server. This allows status information to be monitored from a remote computer, via any normal* web browser.

- * To ensure all graphics are correctly displayed, we recommend the following minimum browser requirements: Internet Explorer 10 or Edge 12; current Versions of Firefox, Safari or Chrome.
 - 1. Connect a service computer to the mc²/Nova control system via the <u>ETHERNET B</u> port and configure the <u>TCP/IP settings</u> of its network interface card.
 - 2. Open your browser software, and enter the IP address of the Lawo control system into the URL field.

You can check the Lawo system IP address from mxGUI: open the **System Settings** display and select **Global** - the **IP Address Primary** = the main control system IP address.

3. Then press Enter - the **System Overview** page should appear:



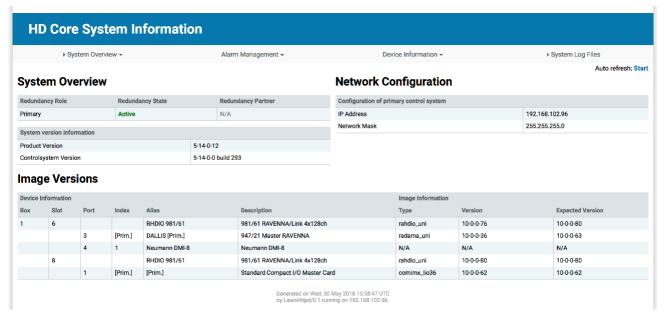
If the page does not open, then check your computer's network connection and TCP/IP settings, and the IP address entered in the URL field.

- To automatically refresh any page turn on the Auto Refresh option at the top right of the screen.
- 5. Use the menu bar at the top of the page to access the different pages.



8.5.1 System Overview

The main **System Overview** provides information on system software versions, **Network Configuration** (of the main and redundant Control Systems) and **Image Versions** for any connected <u>RAVENNA Link</u> ports:



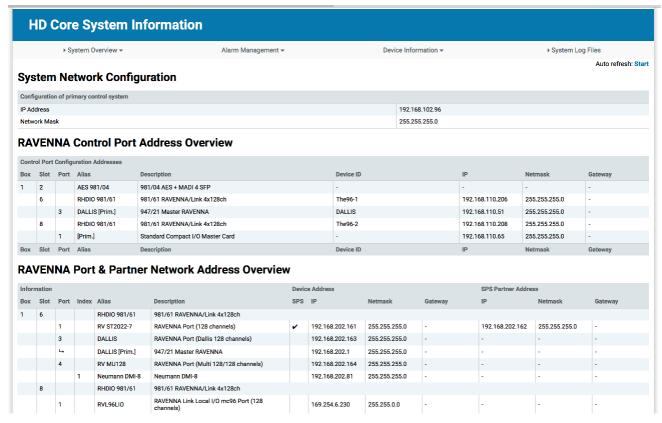
System Overview -> Netlink Usage

Select this page for information about the "netlink" connections in a DSN networked system.



System Overview -> Network Information

Select this page for more information about the connected **RAVENNA Net** ports:



The **RAVENNA Control Port Address Overview** lists all of the Device IDs and Service Network IP settings: i.e. for the 981/61 IO module **SERVICE** and DALLIS master board **CTRL** ports.

The RAVENNA Port & Partner Network Address Overview lists all of the Streaming Network IP settings as follows:

> DALLIS, Compact IO or Local IO

For a partnering connection to a DALLIS, Compact IO or Local IO, you will see a single line showing:

- **Device Address** = the IP settings of the 981/61 streaming port.
- Partner Address = the IP settings of the DALLIS, Compact IO or Local IO streaming port.

Virtual Devices

For a partnering connection to Virtual Devices, you will see a single line for the Virtual Devices port:

- **Device Address** = the IP settings of the 981/61 streaming port.
- Partner Address = the IP settings of the second 981/61 streaming port if SPS is enabled.

And then a line for each individual device:

- **Device Address** = the IP settings of the device's streaming port.
- Partner Address = the IP settings of the device's second streaming port if SPS is enabled.

> RAVENNA Net Tie-Lines

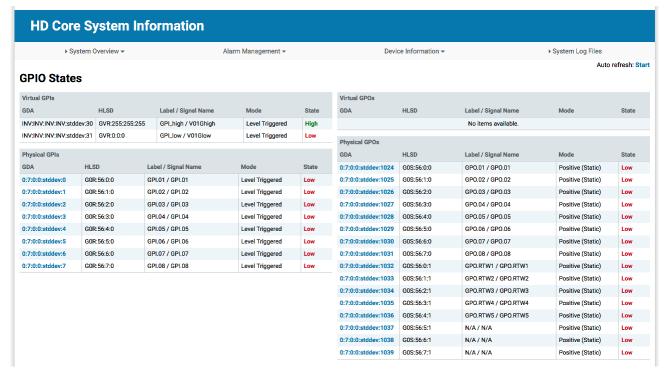
For a Tie-Line port, you will see a single line showing:

- **Device Address** = the IP settings of the 981/61 streaming port.
- Partner Address = the IP settings of the second 981/61 streaming port if SPS is enabled.



System Overview -> GPIO States

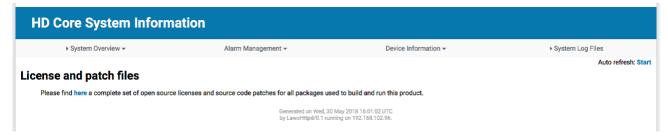
Select this page for an overview of the High/Low status of GPIOs:



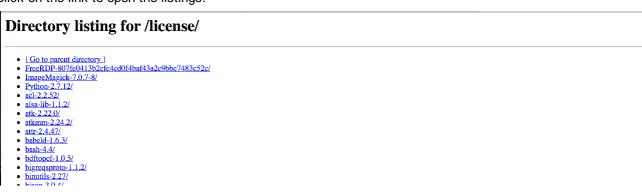


System Overview -> Legal

Select this page to view a list of all open source licenses and source code patch files used by this product.



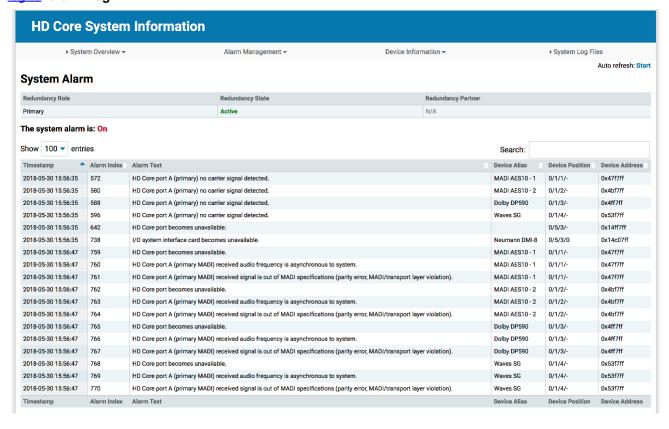
Click on the link to open the listings:



8.5.2 Alarm Management

Alarm Management -> System Alarm

This page lists the last 5000 errors which have triggered the <u>Global Alarm</u>. Every error has an explicit ID, description and time stamp for an easy overview of the alarm events. The errors are stored within the system <u>logfile</u>: alarm.log.



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Alarm Management -> Alarm Backlog

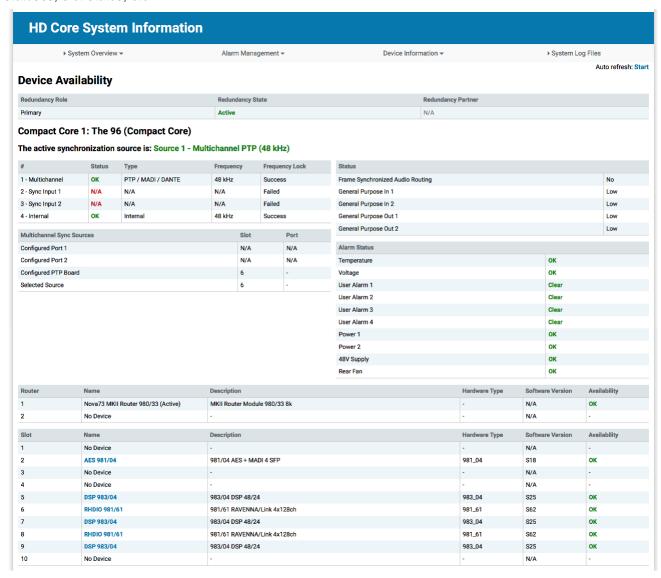
Select this page to view archived errors (the previous **alarm.log** file). These errors are stored within the system <u>logfile</u>: **alarm.log.old**.



8.5.3 Device Information

Device Information -> Device Availability

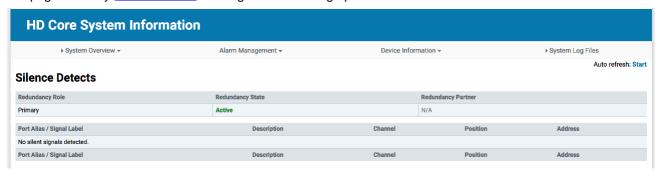
The **Device Availability** page provides information about system components - for example, the **Micro Core**, **HD Core** or **Compact Core**. Here you will find detailed information, including feedback on the sync source, alarm statuses, slot status, etc.





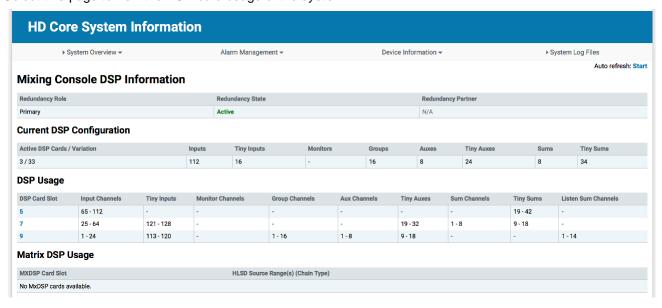
Device Information -> Silence Detects

This page lists any silence detect errors generated during operation:



Device Information -> DSP Usage

Select this page to view the DSP card usage of the system:





8.5.4 System Log Files

This page provides access to all <u>logfiles</u> stored on the control system, allowing you to view **system log files** (messages) or **alarm log** errors. Select an option to view the contents of the file.





8.6 Global Alarm

By default, the global alarm status monitoring is enabled. It can be disabled by the AdminHD configuration (under <u>Core -> System Settings</u>).

Conditions

The global alarm is triggered when any of the following conditions are satisfied.

Within the Nova73:

- Malfunction of a Router module.
- High temperature on a Router module triggered if the temperature exceeds 45° C.
- Voltage is too high or too low on a Router module.
- · Malfunction of an IO module.
- Malfunction of a PSU.
- · Malfunction of a fan.
- Active ALARM IN control input triggered from an external device wired to GPI 2.
- Active sync is internal triggered if the system switches to the internal sync reference. Note that this
 trigger must be enabled from mxGUI (using the Wordclock options in the System Settings display) or
 in AdminHD (under Core -> Data).

From an IO Port:

- IO port is not supplied with a valid signal.
- · Malfunction of a DALLIS master board.
- Malfunction of a DALLIS IO card.
- Malfunction of a DALLIS PSU.

Monitoring the Global Alarm Status

The global alarm triggers the <u>warning flag</u> in the title bar of mxGUI and illuminates the red **ALARM** LED on the <u>front</u> of the Nova73 Router Module.

It is also output by the **GLOBAL ALARM** BNC and **GPI 2** D-type connectors on the <u>rear</u> panel. In both cases, contact closed = the global alarm is active.

It can also be interrogated using the Web Browser Interface.

Historical global alarm errors are also stored on the control system in the alarm.log system logfile.



8.7 DALLIS Local Alarm

A local alarm for the DALLIS unit can be output by both the **ALARM** BNC and **ALARM FORCE M2** D-type connectors.

Note that some of the alarm conditions vary for DALLIS fitted with the RAVENNA master board (947/21); the conditions which vary are highlighted in the tables below.

Local Alarm Output States for DALLIS fitted with 947/03, 947/13, 947/05, 947/07 and 947/15

Condition	ALARM (BNC / D-type Pin 7&8)	ALARM Inverted (D-type Pin 5&13)
No power	closed	open
1 card in left slot, booting	closed	open
1 card in left slot, no error present	open	closed
1 card in left slot, error present	closed	open
2 cards, booting	closed	open
2 cards, left no error, right no error	open	closed
2 cards, left error, right no error	closed	open
2 cards, left no error, right error	closed	open
2 cards, left error, right error	closed	open

Local Alarm Output States for DALLIS fitted with 947/21

Condition	ALARM (BNC / D-type Pin 7&8)	ALARM Inverted (D-type Pin 5&13)
No power	closed	open
1 card in left slot, booting	closed	open
1 card in left slot, no error present	closed	open
1 card in left slot, error present	open	closed
2 cards, booting	closed	open
2 cards, left no error, right no error	closed	open
2 cards, left error, right no error	closed	open
2 cards, left no error, right error	closed	open
2 cards, left error, right error	open	closed



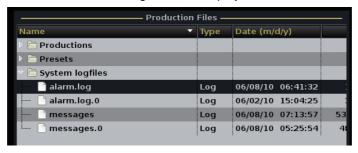
8.8 System Logfiles

During operation, the system generates and stores logfiles on the control system. This allows you to export the files to assist Lawo support with fault-finding.

There are four principle logfiles:

- alarm.log global alarm errors (the last 5000).
- alarm.log.old archived global alarm errors (the previous alarm.log file).
- messages messaging errors generated by the control system (the last 5000).
- messages.old archived messaging errors (the previous messages file).

Logfiles can be copied to USB, from mxGUI, using the File display:



Alternatively, you can monitor the contents of a log file, remotely from your computer, using the <u>Web Browser</u> <u>Interface</u>.

> Timestamping a logfile

Click on the LAWO logo, from mxGUI's title bar, to create a time stamp in the **messages** file. This marks the logfile at a moment in time, and can assist Lawo's service department when diagnosing system behaviour.

> Change of DSP Configuration

Whenever the DSP configuration changes (by loading a production, changing the DSP configuration or switching to a redundant DSP card), information about every DSP card is printed in the **alarm.log**. The information is formatted as follows:

```
New DSP card role for {HDCore 0, Slot 14}: active (role index 1)

New DSP card role for {HDCore 0, Slot 12}: active (role index 2)

New DSP card role for {HDCore 0, Slot 10}: active (role index 3)
```

> Reading a logfile

From V5.0 software onwards, each line within the **messages** file is formatted in three sections:

```
<Software Module> <Error Type> <Details>
```

The <Error Type> indicates the severity of the error as follows:

- **DEBUG** information for developers, not usually seen once a release is issued.
- INFO general information, not a real error.
- WARNING an error with low impact.
- ERROR an error with moderate impact.
- FATAL a serious error which could lead to system crashes.

By searching the **messages** file for the appropriate text - e.g. **FATAL** - you can quickly identify the relevant information.

Note that within a logfile, the module \underline{slots} within the Nova73 are counted from 0 updards. This means that physical slot 1 = slot 0 in the logfile.

Note that the logfiles count slots from 0 upwards (e.g. physical slot 1 = slot 0 in the logfile).



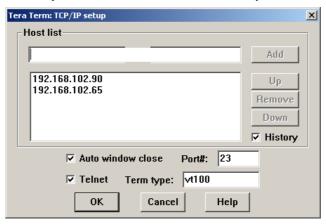
8.9 Telnet Sessions

Many parameters on the Nova73 MKII can be adjusted by opening a telnet session to the device's control system.

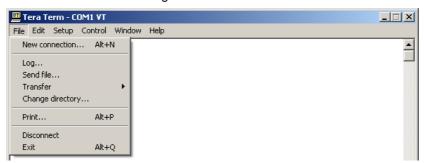
WARNING: Adjusting parameters via telnet will make low level changes to your system. Therefore, these procedures should *only* be performed by a fully trained member of staff.

To open a telnet session:

- 1. Install a telnet client on your computer. We recommend using **Tera Term Pro Web 3.1.3**, a free telnet client for Windows, which can be downloaded from www.ayera.com/teraterm/
- **2.** Connect your computer to the device, via either the <u>control system</u> network or service port (in the case of an individual component).
- 3. Configure the <u>TCP/IP settings</u> on your computer's network interface card.
- 4. Open the **Tera Term Pro** Telnet client.
- 5. Select TCP/IP from the Setup menu, and add the IP address of your control system to the host list:



6. Now open a new Telnet connection using **File -> New connection**:





7. Choose the TCP/IP Host address of your control system:

Default IP Address of mc²66 shown:



8. When prompted, enter the login name: root and the password: hong



The session opens, and you will see the command prompt for the control system:



9. Now follow the specific instructions for the task you wish to perform.

Some parameters are not saved on the main control system, and therefore you can need to <u>remotely login</u> to another part of the system.

You can reboot the control system from the telnet client by typing reboot and Enter.



8.9.1 Logging in to a Remote Control System

To remotely login to another control system (for example, the GUI_0 Bay Server):

1. At the main control system prompt, type **ipinfo** and press Enter - a list of all system IP addresses is displayed:

Telnet Session to mc256 shown:

For our example, the IP address we require is 192.168.105.100 (thaddeus_GUI_0).

- 2. Type **telnet xxx.xxx.xxx** (where **xx.** is the IP address of the remote control system) and press Enter.
- **3.** When prompted, enter the login name: **root** and the password: **hong** the session opens, and you will see the command prompt for the remote control system:

- **4.** Now follow the specific instructions for the task you wish to perform.
- 5. Once you have finished, return to the main control system by typing quit.



8.10 File Transfer via FTP

All files stored on the control system can be accessed by a suitable FTP client.

You will need this tool to transfer files, such as system software or factory configuration (.tcl) files, which are "hidden" from normal console GUI, mxGUI and AdminHD operation.

WARNING: File transfer via FTP will make low level changes to your system. Therefore, these procedures should *only* be performed by a fully trained member of staff.

To perform a file transfer:

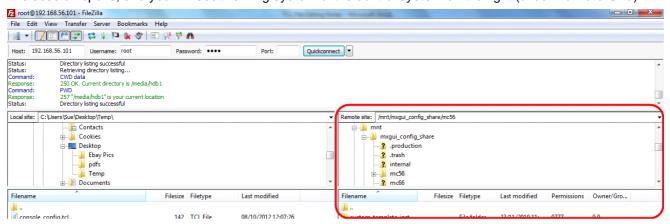
- 1. Install a suitable FTP client on your computer. We recommend using **Filezilla**, a free FTP client for all platforms, which can be downloaded from www.filezilla-project.org
- 2. Connect your computer to the <u>control system network</u> and configure the <u>TCP/IP settings</u> on your computer's network interface card.
- 3. Open the **Filezilla** FTP client, and enter the following information:
 - Host = the IP address of your control system
 - Username = root
 - Password = hong

Default IP address of mc²56 shown:



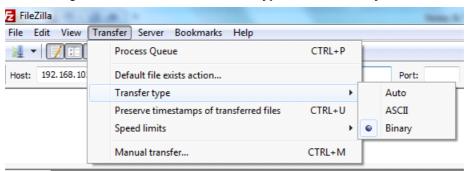
4. Click on Quickconnect to make the connection.

The session opens, and you will see the filing system of the control system on the right (under Remote Site):



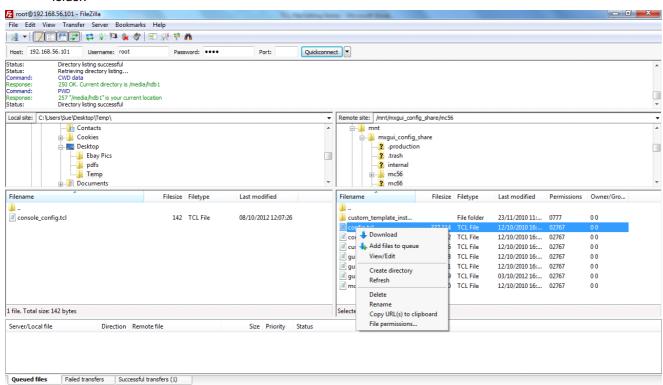


5. BEFORE transferring files, check that the Transfer Type is set to Binary:



WARNING: It is VERY important that file transfers use "Binary" mode, and not "ASCII".

- **6.** You can now transfer files from the control system (**Remote site**) to your computer (**Local site**), or vice versa:
 - Use the upper areas to navigate through the filing structure the contents of the selected folder are displayed beneath (under **Filename**).
 - Right-click on a filename and select Upload or Download the file is transferred to/from the selected folder.



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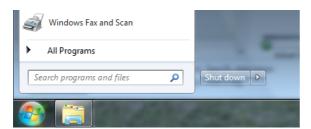
Further information on system files can be found in the relevant technical documentation.

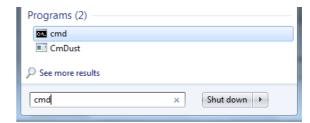


8.11 Running a PING test

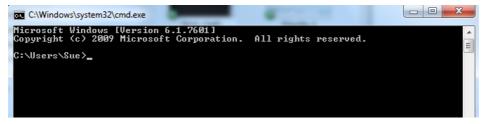
The PING command is a built-in Windows and Mac function, that allows you to test whether you have a valid network connection to and from any networked device.

- 1. Make sure that your computer is connected to the correct network port, and that you have configured the TCP/IP settings of your computer's network interface card.
- 2. On a Windows 7 PC, type **cmd** into the "Search programs and files" field under the **Start** menu and press Enter.





This opens the DOS command prompt window:



Alternatively, on a Mac, open the **Terminal** program (found in the **Applications -> Utilities** folder).

3. On both platforms, perform the ping test as follows:

Type **ping xxx.xxx.xx** (where **xx.** is the IP address of the device you are trying to connect to) and press Enter.

Your computer will now try to establish communication...



> Ping Test Fail

If the ping test fails, then the request will time out, and you will not receive any successful packets:

```
C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe __ \_ \times \ti
```

There is something wrong with your network configuration, so check the network connections, and TCP/IP settings again. Or contact your network administrator.

> Ping Test Success

If the ping test is successful, then the result will show that the Sent packets have been successfully Received:

```
Microsoft Windows XP [Uersion 5.1.2600]
(C) Copyright 1985-2001 Microsoft Corp.

C:\Documents and Settings\Sue McDonald\ping 192.168.2.1

Pinging 192.168.2.1 with 32 bytes of data:

Reply from 192.168.2.1: bytes=32 time=5ms TTL=255

Reply from 192.168.2.1: bytes=32 time=2ms TTL=255

Reply from 192.168.2.1: bytes=32 time=1ms TTL=255

Reply from 192.168.2.1: bytes=32 time=25ms TTL=255

Reply from 192.168.2.1: bytes=32 time=25ms TTL=255

Ping statistics for 192.168.2.1:

Packets: Sent = 4. Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss).

Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:

Minimum = 1ms, Maximum = 25ms, Average = 8ms

C:\Documents and Settings\Sue McDonald\_
```

This confirms that the network communication is working. If you still cannot connect, then something on your computer is blocking the network connection. Try disabling any firewall and/or antivirus software.



9. Service Procedures

This chapter includes service procedures for the hardware components:

- <u>Nova73</u>
- DALLIS



9.1 Nova73 Service Procedures

9.1.1 Replacing a Plug-in Module

All IO and DSP modules are individually hot-pluggable enabling modules to be replaced without affecting the rest of the system.

Router modules are also individually hot-pluggable. If main and redundant Router Modules are fitted, then you can replace the redundant module (in **STANDBY**) without affecting the operation of the system.

WARNING: If only one Router Module is fitted, then replacing the module will shut down the system!

See Fitting the Nova73 Plug-in Modules for instructions.

9.1.2 Replacing the System or User Data Flashcard

A backup image copy of the **System Flashcard** and/or **Data Flashcard** can be created and stored, so that it can be replaced if necessary.

From Version 5.8.2 software, the **CF Card Creator** utility can be used to create the image copies. This utility can be launched from **mxGUI** (as described in the "Nova73 MKII Operators Manual").

Once you have the new CF card, it can be replaced as follows.

You must power off the Nova73, thereby shutting down the system, in order to replace a CF card. If main and redundant Router Modules are fitted to the Nova73, then please see the <u>additional instructions</u> on updating data in a redundant system.

Both CF cards are located on the Router Module MKII (980/33) within the Nova73.

1. Power off the Nova73 (both PSUs if fitted) and <u>remove</u> the Router Module.

You will see the System and Data CF cards slotted into the Control System; each should be clearly labelled:



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- 2. Remove the appropriate card and slide in your replacement.
- **3.** Replace the Router Module and power on.

The control system boots and reads the new data.



9.1.3 **Replacing a Nova73 Power Supply**

Each of the PSUs are individually hot pluggable. To operate the Nova73, one PSU is sufficient. Therefore, when two supplies are fitted, you can replace a PSU without affecting the operation of the system.

WARNING: If only one PSU is operational, then powering off will shutdown the system! The replacement PSU must be of the same type; you cannot mix PSU types.

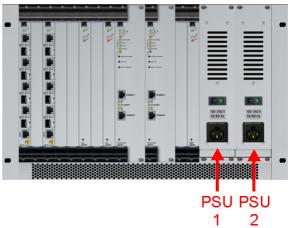
- 1. Switch off the PSU you wish to replace from the front of the frame.
- 2. Disconnect the mains from either the PSU 1 or PSU 2 IEC mains connector as appropriate.



PSU₁

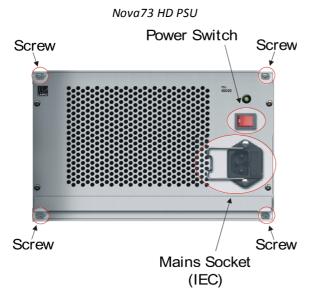
Nova73 HD Front View

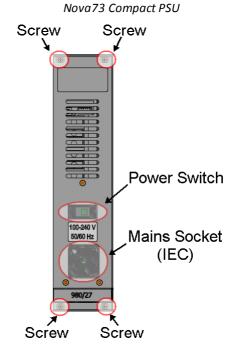
Nova73 Compact Front View



3. Unfasten the four screws and, using the handle provided, pull out the PSU:

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- 4. Before fitting the replacement PSU make sure that it is switched off.
- 5. Insert the new PSU and slide it into position until it locks into place.
- **6.** Secure the unit by fastening the four screws.
- 7. Re-apply the mains to the PSU IEC mains connector and switch on!

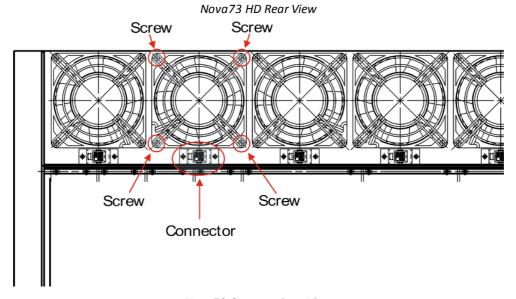
WARNING: To ensure the proper airflow, both PSU slots *MUST* be occupied when the Nova73 is operational:

- Nova73 HD: if only one PSU is installed, cover the empty slot with a blanking plate (980/21).
- Nova73 Compact: if a PSU is faulty, leave both units in the frame until a replacement can be fitted.

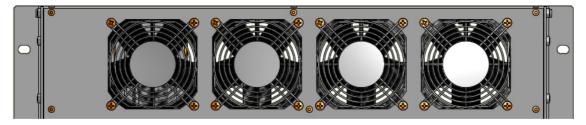


9.1.4 Replacing the Nova73 Fans

Each of the cooling fans can be replaced individually while the Nova73 is running:



Nova73 Compact Rear View



- 1. Unplug the 4-pin connector from the rear of the frame as shown above.
- 2. Loosen the screws and remove the fan from the frame.
- 3. Insert the replacement and fasten the screws to secure.
- **4.** Plug the 4-pin connector into the coupler of the frame.



9.2 DALLIS Service Procedures

9.2.1 Replacing a DALLIS Plug-in Card

With the exception of the Phantom Power card, all IO cards are individually hot-pluggable enabling cards to be replaced without affecting other aspects of the system.

Master boards are also individually hot-pluggable. If main and redundant master boards are fitted, then you can replace the redundant board without affecting the operation of the DALLIS.

WARNING: If only one master board is fitted, then its replacement will cause an interruption in audio from the DALLIS unit!

See Fitting the DALLIS Plug-in Interfaces for instructions.

9.2.2 Replacing the DALLIS Lithium Battery

The DALLIS master board is fitted with a lithium battery. This battery guarantees that user data remains saved when the system is powered off. As a precaution we recommend that the battery is replaced after about eight years of operation. Please send the master board to your local Lawo support representative to perform this procedure.

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Only Lawo support staff are permitted to replace batteries.



9.2.3 Replacing a DALLIS Power Supply

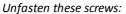
Each of the PSUs are individually hot pluggable.

To operate the DALLIS, one PSU is sufficient. Therefore, when two supplies are fitted, you can replace a PSU without affecting the operation.

WARNING: If only one PSU is fitted, then powering off will cause an interruption in audio from the DALLIS unit!

The replacement PSU must be of the same type; you cannot mix PSU types.

- 1. On the rear of the DALLIS frame, disconnect the mains from either the PSU 1 or PSU 2 IEC mains connector as appropriate.
- 2. Unfasten the two screws on the right hand side of the hinged PSU cage door (marked by the arrows below).
- 3. And pull the door open to access the PSU docking bays:





Pull door open to reveal PSUs:



4. Unfasten the metal catch which holds the PSUs in place by pushing on the catch as shown:



- 5. Remove the relevant power supply unit and replace with the spare.
- **6.** Fasten the catch back into place.
- 7. Replace the cage door and fasten the two screws.
- **8.** Re-apply the mains to the PSU IEC mains connector and switch on!



10. Updating System Software

This chapter describes how to update the system software.

Topics include:

- Software Versions
- Preparation
- Backup of User Data
- Updating the System
- Creating and Replacing CF Cards
- Using mxUpdater
- Updating Nova73 IO Cards
- <u>Updating DALLIS IO Cards</u>
- <u>Updating RAVENNA-based Nodes</u>
- Final Steps
- System Configuration Modifications



10.1 Software Versions

Compatibility

All Lawo products use a consistent software release numbering system to indicate compatibility. In each case, the first three digits of the software versions must match. This affects mxGUI and AdminHD, as well as other networked mc²/Nova systems.

Checking the Software Version

You can check the software version of your mc²/Nova system from the **System Settings** display: select Global -> System and look at the **Product Release Version** field.

Software Updates

The latest software for your product is available from the **Download-Center** at <u>www.lawo.com</u> (after **Login**). Information about the software release can be found in the "Release Notes Xxx" documentation.

From Version 5.8.2 onwards, the **mxUpdater** utility (included with mxGUI) should be used to update the system software. Note that the utility contains *only* the version which is concurrent with the mxGUI release. Therefore, it is only possible to update to this version. To update to a different release, or downgrade the system, you will need to use the "new CF cards" method.

Note that a software update affects only the System Flashcard, and will not alter any of your user data.

Once running Version 5.8 (or later), there can be a mismatch in your configuration if you install an earlier release than 5.8. Therefore, please contact the Lawo support department if you wish to downgrade your software version to a release < Version 5.8.

Changing Firmware Revisions

From Version 5.6, all Nova73 IO modules will automatically update to the required firmware (according to their AdminHD configuration) once they are plugged into the Nova73 frame. This makes it easier than ever to reconfigure a system, and prevents any mismatch between Control System and IO software revisions.



10.2 Preparation

Please read all the topics in this chapter starting from the beginning.

If Compact Flash cards need to be changed, please consider strict ESD protection procedures when touching the electronic components.

Any loudspeakers and headphones must be disconnected or turned off before starting the update procedure as noise or other distortion may occur.

Before updating any mxGUI applications, please refer to the mxGUI chapter of your Operators Manual.

There are some update procedures which are necessary for mc² systems only. These will be marked with the tag [mc² series only]. Please skip these instructions when updating a Nova system.

In some instances, there will be a choice of procedures depending on the current and intended versions. These are explained in each topic.

As a first step, we recommend backing up all user data (including configuration files, productions, snapshots etc.). This can be done using either **mxUpdater** (included with mxGUI) or from the **File** display (via mxGUI). The **mxUpdater** method is described <u>next</u>.

After the update, it is mandatory to power cycle all updated components. This means that components cannot be updated while on-air as there will be a noticeable disruption to audio.



10.3 Backup of User Data

Prerequisites

To create a backup of the system's user data, you will need:

- A PC or laptop running Windows or Mac OS.
- A network connection to the <u>Lawo system network</u> (Ethernet). Remember to set up an unused IP address when connecting the computer to the network.
- Lawo's mxGUI software. The latest mxGUI release can be downloaded from the Lawo website at www.lawo.com (after Login).

Backup using mxUpdater (included with mxGUI)

The **mxUpdater** utility can be used to backup and restore all user data on the data CF card. Note that you must have the mxGUI shared folders configured to use this method.

- Start mxGUI and at the launch window select mxUpdater. The program opens.
- Under "1 Select Remote System", enter the IP address of the primary control system and click on **Connect**. After a successful connection, you will see some information about the system.
- Under "2 Backup Data", select Backup. Enter a file name and then start the backup by clicking on Save.
- Once the backup is complete, you will see the line **DETAIL:** Backup operation done in the "Log" area.
 The backup file is stored on the mxgui computer in the mxgui_config_share -> mxupdater -> backup folder:

For more details, please see the mxUpdater topic in the mxGUI chapter of your Operators Manual.



10.4 System Update Methods

Prerequisites

To update the system, you will need:

- A PC or laptop running Windows or Mac OS.
- A network connection to the <u>Lawo control system</u> (Ethernet). Remember to set up an unused IP address when connecting the computer to the network.
- Lawo's mxGUI software. The latest mxGUI release can be downloaded from the Lawo website at www.lawo.com (after Login).
- **[optional]** if the current software version is earlier than 5.8.2, then you will need some additional items to create the CF cards (see below).

Note that the correct system software image files are included in the mxGUI bundle. Therefore, there is no need to separately download the system software.

Possible Methods

Depending on your current and intended software versions, you will need to use one of the following methods to update the system:

- mxUpdater (recommended) from Version 5.8.2 software onwards, the mxUpdater utility can be used to update the system from an mxGUI computer.
- **New CF Cards** (< V5.8.2) if the current version is earlier than 5.8.2, then you MUST update the system by creating new CF cards. Note that this is not necessary once your system is running V5.8.2 or later.

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Each method will now be described in more detail, in reverse order.



10.5 Creating and Replacing CF Cards

From Version 5.8.2, all Lawo mc^2 and Nova systems run a unified system image, and the system CF card specifies the type of system ($mc^256 / mc^266 / Nova73 / etc$). This means that a new system CF card must be created from scratch IF the current software version is prior to Version 5.8.2. If your system is already running Version 5.8.2 or later, then you can skip this section and use the mxUpdater method.

10.5.1 Prerequisites

To create a new CF card, you will need:

- · A USB CF card reader.
- New CF cards please use original Lawo CF cards only.
- A PC or laptop running Windows or Mac OS.
- A virtual machine host for mxGUI (i.e. Oracle VirtualBox).
- The mxGUI virtual appliance (OVA) from the Lawo software bundle.
- A tool to flash the software images to your CF cards. The open source tool ETCHER is recommended. It is available for Windows, Mac OS and Linux and can be downloaded from https://etcher.io/

10.5.2 Creating New CF Cards

The software upgrade bundle provides an OVA mxGUI image:

- Double click on the OVA file to import it into the VirtualBox environment.
- Connect the CF card reader to the computer.
- Insert the CF card to be created into the CF card reader. Please note that all data on the CF card will be lost when overwriting the card with the new content.
- · Install and boot the mxGUI image.
- Once booted, select Utility Programs and then CFCard Creator.
- The **CFCard Creator** will export the requested files into the shared folder "mxgui_config_share". So, use the menu options to perform the required transfer:





- When creating a system CF card, the appropriate system type has to be selected. Take care to select the correct system, as choosing the wrong type will lead to unexpected behaviour!
- When creating a data CF card, the system asks for the IP address configuration. Please enter the
 system's IP address, netmask and gateway (optional). Please note that a data CF card for a redundant
 audio router module starts with the same IP settings as the primary module. The necessary IP address
 offset (+1 for the right-hand module) will be applied automatically when the system boots.



10.5.3 Replacing the CF Cards

After creating the new CF cards, they must be inserted into the Router Modules as follows:

- Power down the Nova73 frame.
- Remove the Router Modules MKII and remove the CF cards to be replaced. See <u>Replacing a System or User Data Flashcard</u> for images.
- Insert the new cards. Please take care when inserting the cards to the corresponding card slots. They will only fit in one direction. Do not force them in, they should fit smoothly.
- When all cards are installed, the Router Modules MKII can be re-inserted into the Nova73 frame.
- [mc² series only] Power down the console control surface.
- Power up the Nova73 frame.
- [mc² series only] Power up the console control surface.
- The system will cold-start and load a default user configuration. The user data must be restored from the backup to establish normal system operation (see below).
- [mc² series only] [optional] The console control surface will check for new fader software at the end of the boot-up. If a change applies, then the software update starts automatically. During this procedure, the faders and joysticks will move to check the physical boundaries. Please do not obstruct the movement or touch the faders and joysticks during the calibration.
- Restore your user data by using mxUpdater. The procedure is similar to the backup described <u>earlier</u>, except for the direction of transfer.
- To read the new configuration (loaded from the user data restore), you must perform another cold start.
 Please use mxGUI to set the Prepare Coldstart option in the System Settings display. Or, use the
 Prepare Coldstart button on the front of the Router Module (MKII). Then switch the Nova73 frame off and
 on.
- As soon as the system has restarted and the configuration has been read correctly, please continue with the Nova73 IO card update.



10.6 mxUpdater

If the current software version is already Version 5.8.2 or later, then the system can be updated without replacing the CF cards.

mxUpdater (included with mxGUI)

From Version 5.8.2 software onwards, the **mxUpdater** utility can be used to update the system from an mxGUI computer.

Note that this utility contains only the software version which is concurrent with the mxGUI release. Therefore, it is only possible to update to this version. If you wish to update to a different version or downgrade the system, then you must use the online update method described below.

To perform the update:

- Install the "new" mxGUI version on your computer. (Note that the correct system software image files are included in the mxGUI bundle.)
- Start mxGUI and at the launch window select mxUpdater. The program opens.
- Under "1 Select Remote System", enter the IP address of the primary control system and click on **Connect**. After a successful connection, you will see some information about the system.
- Under "3 Update System", select **Update**. Confirm the update by clicking on **OK**. You will now see the progress of the upload, update and validation steps in the "Log" area. Once the update is complete, a system reboot is triggered.
- Note that the last few "Log" lines, including ERROR: Could not connect and ERROR: Update failed, remote aborted, are a result of the reboot. These lines are normal and can be ignored.
- After the reboot, the software update is complete.
- Continue on to the Nova73 IO card update.

For more details, please see the mxUpdater topic in the mxGUI chapter of your Operators Manual.



10.7 Updating Nova73 IO Cards

From Version 5.6.0 onwards, all Nova73 IO cards will update to the corresponding firmware versions automatically. Depending on the system configuration, this can take a while (10-15 minutes), and so now might be good time to have a coffee!

- During the update, the card LEDs will flash quickly. As soon as they return to their normal blink frequency, the update is finished.
- **[981/61 devices]** The automatic update does not apply to RAVENNA-aware IO cards installed before Version 5.4. See <u>Updating RAVENNA-based nodes</u>.

- Please wait for all Nova73 IO cards to blink synchronously (ACTIVE LED).
- Then continue on to the **DALLIS IO update**.



10.8 Updating DALLIS IO Cards

The method which can be used to update a DALLIS depends on its connection type:

RAVENNA DALLIS (Automatic Updates)

From Version 5.6.0.0 onwards, all RAVENNA Net and RAVENNA Link DALLIS will update to the corresponding firmware versions automatically.

In this instance, the system checks the installed and "new" firmware versions at start up. If there is a mismatch, then the update starts automatically. The DALLIS master card is updated first, followed by each IO card.

Note that the network connections must be made correctly for automatic updates to complete successfully. See <u>Automatic Update</u> for details.

MADI DALLIS (Auto Update Script)

For MADI DALLIS (including the 947/22 in MADI mode), then you will need to start the auto update using the following script:

- In the Nova73 frame, locate the active Router Module MKII (980/33) if two modules are fitted, then this is the one with the blinking "ACTIVE" LED; the passive module will have a blinking "STANDBY" LED.
- Open a telnet or ssh connection to the active Router Module's IP address, and login with the username = root and password = hong
- In the command line interface, enter mcxsh
- The command line prompt will change to mcxsh> as soon as the connection is established. Note that if
 you try to start the mcxsh application on a passive Router Module, then an error message will occur.
- Start a complete update of the DALLIS IO by entering the command mcx_dallis_software_autoupdate
- Depending on the system configuration, this can take a while, and so now is a good time for a second coffee!
- The display will show the progress of any updates and the results will be printed. At the end, you will see a summary "Automatic update(s) finished" and any errors which have occurred. Please check that there are 0 errors. If the system has detected any errors, then try starting the update again.
- After the updates are complete, power-cycle each DALLIS frame and make sure that all cards are blinking synchronously (ACTIVE LED).
- Verify the DALLIS card states using the console GUI's Signal Settings page, AdminHD or the Web Browser Interface.

Please note:

mcxsh is a command line application interface for the Lawo control system. Only a single instance of this interface connect to the system, so remember to close the interface with the exit command, or CTRL+C, after the update.

The "0" at the end of the command line is mandatory and will update all available DALLIS cards in the configuration starting from the root point. If you wish to narrow the device configuration scan, then addresses can be appended to the command using their 0-based slot/port numbers - for example:

- mcx_dallis_software_autoupdate 0 9 will scan all DALLIS ports connected to Nova73 IO Module slot 10.
- mcx_dallis_software_autoupdate 0 9 2 will scan the DALLIS connected to port 3 of Nova73 IO Module slot 10.

If your system uses both RAVENNA and MADI DALLIS, then wait for the automatic updates to the RAVENNA DALLIS to complete before starting the auto update script.



10.9 Updating RAVENNA-based Nodes

From Version 5.6.0 onwards, all RAVENNA DALLIS nodes can be configured either as RAVENNA Link or RAVENNA Net.

Note that a change of configuration from RAVENNA Link to RAVENNA Net will require the installation of additional hardware (e.g. PTP master clock, RAVENNA-compliant network switch, etc.) as well as a change in the network topology. This requires proper planning and on-site commissioning, and you should refer to the "RAVENNA for mc² User Guide" for more information.

The update method which can be used for RAVENNA-based nodes depends on the currently installed firmware version. The table below summarises the possibilities:

	Target Version and Component					
Original Version	5.10 Nova73 RAVENNA Link	5.10 DALLIS + Local IO (mc56) RAVENNA Link	5.10 Compact IO + Local IO (mc36)			
4.18 – 4.22	manual + barebox	manual + barebox	N/A			
4.24	manual + barebox	manual	N/A			
5.0	manual + barebox	manual	N/A			
5.2 (mc36)	automatic	manual	script based			
5.4	automatic	manual	script based			
5.6	automatic	automatic	automatic			
5.8	automatic	automatic	automatic			

- A_line and LCU RAVENNA nodes (supported from 5.8 onwards) will be updated automatically if their initial version is at least 7.0.0.x.
- **Neumann DMI-8** nodes cannot be updated automatically. The minimum required software version is 1-0-0-0 or later. This software is part of the LAWOs release bundle.

When updating a RAVENNA node to 7.0.0.x or later, any user configuration of PTP settings will be deleted due to a syntax change in the configuration file. Therefore, you will need to reinstate the appropriate settings manually via the RAVENNA Web GUI.

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The topics which follow describe each method.

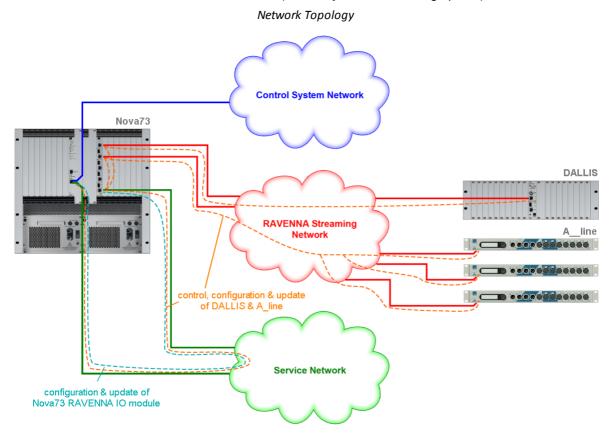


10.9.1 Automatic Update

An automatic update will be started on the startup of each node. In this instance, the system checks the installed and "new" firmware versions. If there is a mismatch, then the update starts automatically.

Please note, that an automatic update cannot be run in double frequency mode (i.e. 88.2 kHz or 96 kHz). If you use a double frequency setup, please switch to 44.1 kHz or 48 kHz temporarily to perform the updates.

The figure below shows the network topology required to support automatic updates and RAVENNA Net operation of the Nova73 IO Modules (shown by the dotted turquoise path). Note that this topology is also required to update any DALLIS or A_line RAVENNA nodes, as the network path from the Nova73 Router Module, which acts as an update server, is made via the individual IO Modules (shown by the dotted orange paths).



As you can see in the drawing, the blue and green clouds (Control System and Service Networks) run from the same Ethernet port of the Nova73 Router Module (ETHERNET B). This means that both networks must connect to the same Ethernet network switch in order to work properly.

In the current release, it is not possible to use separate VLANs for the respective networks.



10.9.2 Script-based Update

Updating the mc^236 Local IO or Compact IO devices can require a script-based approach which has to be used once – after the update to 5.6, all further updates will be automatic.

For the script-based update please follow the steps below:

- Open a telnet or ssh connection to the mc²36 control system IP address, and login with username = **root** and password = **hong**
- In the command line interface, enter updateImxlos LocalIO to update the internal Local IO device.
- If a Compact IO device is attached to one of the external RAVENNA ports, then use the following syntax:

- o updateImxlos CompactIO 6 1 if the Compact IO is attached to RAVENNA port 1
- o updateImxIos CompactIO 6 2 if the Compact IO is attached to RAVENNA port 2
- o updateImxIos CompactIO 6 3 if the Compact IO is attached to RAVENNA port 3



10.9.3 Manual Update

To perform a manual update, please follow the steps below:

- If the table points out that a manual update is needed, usually the network topology is not yet ready for automatic updates. If so, please update the components manually first, then change the topology to prepare for future automatic updates.
- RAVENNA-based nodes usually provide a control port which will be used for the software update of the RAVENNA subsystem. This control port might already be connected to a network switch in order to create a service port network. For future use, such a dedicated service port network is not necessary anymore as the service network will be routed automatically through the Nova73 IO cards. Anyway, it is still possible to use a dedicated service port network if it is connected to the Router card's second NIC as depicted in the Network Topology figure.
- The IP address of the control port is listed in the system's http service site http://<system IP address>/content/ networkinfo.shtml
- If the control port is accessible via a separate network, select an appropriate (unused) IP address for your PC's network interface, connect the PC to this network, open a telnet connection to the control port's IP address, login with username root and password hong
- If the control port is not accessible via network, the PC has to be connected directly to the control port.
- The software update image can be found in the directory /device_os on the system CF card of the Nova73 Router module. Currently the following variants are available

Card Variant	Update Path Subfolder
936/35 LocalIO	/device_os/936_35_Local_IO
947/21 RAVENNA Mastercard	/device_os/947_21_DALLIS_Mastercard
947/22 RAVENNA & MADI Mastercard	/device_os/947_22_DALLIS_Mastercard
981/61 RAVENNA	/device_os/981_61_Nova73_RAVENNA_IO_Card
985/50 CompactIO	/device_os/985_50_Compact_IO

- Please download the appropriate.tar.gz file for the RAVENNA node to be upgraded
- Please start your FTP client software and connect to the control port's IP address using username root and password hong
- Please upload the .tar.gz image file to the /data/update subfolder of the RAVENNA aware device.
- In the telnet command line interface, enter updateSystem
- If multiple software archives are found in /data/update, the system asks for a file to use. Please select the correct update file and follow the instructions on the screen.
- In the unlikely case of a currently installed software version that is too old to support upgrades with the provided images, the system will print an error message complaining about a missing ubifs image. Please contact the Lawo support department in this instance.
- The device will be updated and rebooted automatically.



10.10 Power Cycle All Updated Components

If you have not already done so, now is the time to power-cycle all updated components to make sure that the system works correctly after a power-cycle.

- Please load your favourite snapshot or production and check the audio functionality.
- Do a power-cycle and check the audio functionality again.
- Enjoy the new release!



10.11 System Configuration Modifications

10.11.1 File Structure Changes as of Release 5.4

Due to major changes in the system images to achieve unified system upgrades, some modifications of the file structure have been necessary. This also implies that former configurations have to be transferred in order to make them work again. The configuration files at the new locations will be created automatically (if not yet available) with default settings that are commented out and have to be adjusted appropriately.

NTP Configuration

The NTP server configuration in /data/config/ntp-config has been moved to /data/config/sysconfig/time-config. Additionally, a TIMEZONE parameter can be specified as of Release 5.4. If there is an NTP configuration for your system, please edit the server settings in the new location.

SNMP Configuration

The SNMP server configuration in /data/config/snmpd.conf has been moved to /data/config/sysconfig/snmpd.conf. Please transfer your settings to the new location.

Syslog Configuration

The configuration file for the syslog process in /data/config/logfile has been moved to /data/config/sysconfig/syslog. As of Release 5.4 it is possible to define a syslog server with the configuration option LOGSERVER_IP=<IP>.

pre_config.tcl, post_config.tcl

The post_config.tcl file will be created with default (commented out) contents if not already existing. All entries that were formerly specified in pre_config.tcl can now be moved to post_config.tcl. pre_config.tcl will be discontinued in future releases.

10.11.2 File Structure Changes as of Release 5.6

Service Network Configuration

The system's service network which defaults to 192.168.110.0/24 will be configured in /data/config/sysconfig/ip-address as of Release 5.6. If you open the ip-address file in a text editor, you will find a template for the service network configuration where the comment marker (#) has to be removed in order to enable the configuration. This is needed only if the default cannot be used for some reason (e.g. in DSN setups). The former configuration in post_config.tcl (if any) has to be removed and is not evaluated anymore.

10.11.3 File Structure Changes as of Release 5.10.2

DSP Presets

From Version 5.10.2, you *cannot* create sub folders for DSP presets. Therefore, if you have presets stored in a sub folder from an earlier version, you will need to export them to USB and import them back into a single level folder structure in the new release. This can be handled from the **File** display (on the console) or **File Transfer** display (on mxGUI).



11. Networking Multiple Systems

This chapter describes the options for networking more than one console or router.

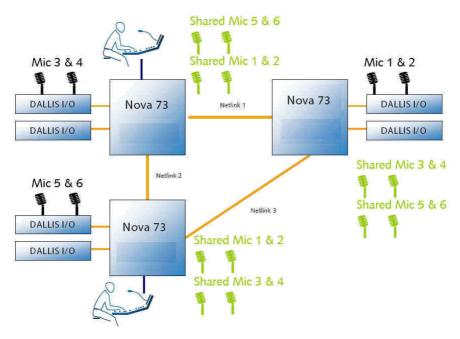
Topics include:

- Networking IO Resources
- IP-SHARE



11.1 Networking IO Resources

The Nova73 MKII is just one member of the mc²/Nova family of products which share the same hardware and software. Multiple systems can be networked to provide sharing of sources and destinations:



In the example above, mics are physically connected, via a DALLIS, to each system. Signals are transferred between systems via 'Netlinks', providing the ability to share any mic input.

Each 'Netlink' is an audio connection which can be MADI, RAVENNA, AES or analog audio, and signals are dynamically allocated as each operator makes routes from the **Signal List** display.

Any number of sources can be distributed depending on the physical limitations of your network. Please consult your system specification for details.

On any system within the network, you can view which sources are distributed from the **%** column on the **Signal List** display:

- Indicates that a source is connected locally to this console, and is 'Shared' (made available) to other consoles within the network.
- Imported indicates that a source is 'Imported'. In other words, it is not connected locally to this console.

All Lawo products use a consistent software release numbering system to indicate compatibility. In each case, the first three digits of the software versions *must* match.

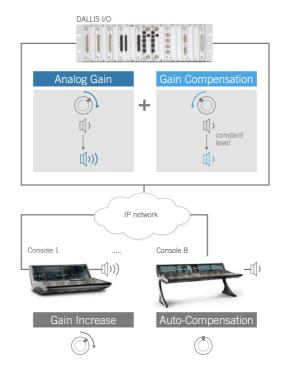
So, for example, a mc²66 console running version **5.10.0.2** can be networked to another mc²/Nova system running **5.10.0.x**. You can check the software version of your mc² system from the Global Options in the **System Settings** display.

Note that a warning icon will appear in the Status Bar if the networked connection fails.



11.2 IP-SHARE

From Version 5.10.0 onwards, all mc^2 systems support a feature known as IP-SHARETM. This can be configured within a RAVENNA (IP Layer 3) network and allows up to eight consoles to set an independent gain value for the same DALLIS mic/line input. The DALLIS Mastercard communicates with all networked consoles and the IP-SHARETM algorithm sets the optimum analog gain for all consoles. Furthermore, the algorithm ensures that the corresponding gain compensation is applied to the digital gain stages of all consoles, when the analog gain of the preamp is being adjusted:



IP-SHARE $^{\text{TM}}$ is only available for RAVENNA Net and for DALLIS fitted with 941/53 or 941/55 Mic/Line cards. (Other Mic/Line cards and IO systems do not support the feature.)

Up to eight consoles can have access to the same gain parameter (using their own "virtual" gain values).

Each console MUST use a separate RAVENNA Service IP Network range.

Only the "master" console can access the DALLIS outputs (and any inputs which are not shared).

When using RAVENNA port redundancy with a Gain Compensation DALLIS, there is no automatic redundancy takeover. Instead, you will need to switch to the redundant RAVENNA port "manually" (e.g via a Central User Button or external control system).

Gain compensation is enabled for qualifying inputs using AdminHD. Once gain compensation is enabled, the input cannot be switched from mic to line, and will operate permanently in mic mode.

Once configured, each console can request an input gain value. The DALLIS receives all the requested gains, selects the most suitable and adjusts the analog gain stage accordingly (usually to the smallest requested value). This is then compensated by the digital gain stage of the DALLIS (back to 0dB). Each console then adds its own gain, automatically, to return to the originally requested gain value. Note that this is handled by the IO DSP which means that IO DSP cannot be used for other applications when Gain Compensation is enabled.

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For more details on configuration, please see the "RAVENNA for mc²/Nova User Guide".



12. Trouble-shooting

This chapter includes a series of typical problems and tips to help you fault find the system.

Topics include:

- Boot-up Issues
- Network Communication Issues
- mxGUI Issues

For further assistance, please contact your local Lawo representative or email support@lawo.com.



12.1 Boot-up Issues

12.1.1 The system will not boot or does not boot correctly

- 1. Power off the Nova73 and wait for the system to shutdown.
- 2. Power on to try a warm start.
- 3. If this is unsuccessful perform a cold start.

If the system now boots correctly, then your warm start user data is corrupt. Check your production data by loading a production. If this is the cause of the problem, perform another <u>cold start</u> and try a different production. If there is a problem with all production data, then you may need to <u>replace</u> the User Data Flashcard.

4. If this is still unsuccessful, then you should try replacing the System Data Flashcard with a backup copy.

12.1.2 The system boots up but I have no audio

1. Check the <u>System Settings</u> display to see if there any reported errors.

If an IO module or remote IO device/card is shown in red, then there is a problem with the connection or the hardware.

2. Check the connections to the remote IO device/card.

Are the fibres reversed?

3. Check the indicators on the Nova73 and remote IO device/card.

The **ACTIVE** LEDs on all Nova73 modules and DALLIS cards should blink in time with each other at around 1Hz. This shows that the card is synchronous to the rest of the system. If an LED is out of sync, then check that the card is fitted correctly. If the symptom persists, replace the plug-in card.



12.2 Network Communication Issues

12.2.1 The network connection to the control system is not working

If you cannot establish network communication with the mc²/Nova control system:

- 1. Check the network $\frac{\text{connections}}{\text{connections}}$ from your device to the Lawo network, and from the Lawo network to the $\frac{\text{mc}^2}{\text{Nova}}$ system.
- 2. Check the TCP/IP settings on the connecting device's Network Interface Card.
- **3.** If applicable, check that the software you are running is <u>compatible</u> with the mc² system. When connecting from mxGUI or AdminHD, the first three digits of the software versions *must* match.
- 4. Try running a PING test:
 - If the ping test fails, then there is something wrong with your network configuration.
 - If the ping test is successful, then the network communication is working. If you still cannot connect to the mc²/Nova system, then something may be blocking the connection. Try disabling any firewall and/or antivirus software on the connecting device.



12.3 mxGUI Issues

12.3.1 mxGUI is not booting up

If, when you start mxGUI, you see only a black screen and not the trackball shown below, then you should check the BIOS setup of your PC.

- 1. Enter the BIOS system of your computer the exact method varies depending on the PC manufacturer, so please refer to your computer's manual for details.
- 2. Search for a checkbox called "VTX" or "Virtual Technology" on most computers, it can be found under security or something similar. This option MUST be enabled.
- 3. Then restart mxGUI, and you should see the blue trackball screen appear:





13. Appendices

This chapter includes further information which you may find useful.

Topics include:

- Part Numbers
- Control System Locations
- Default TCP/IP Settings
- GNU Public License
- DALLIS IO Card Compatibility
- Connector Pin-Outs



13.1 Part Numbers

System Component		Part Number		
Nova73	Nova73 HD Frame (10RU)	980/02		
	Nova73 HD PSUs (1000W, Blanking Plate)	980/25, 980/21		
	Nova73 HD AES3 Rear Connector Panels (D-type, BNC)	980/14, 980/15		
	Nova73 Compact Frame (7RU)	980/06		
	Nova73 Compact PSUs (500W)	980/27		
	for Router, DSP & IO modules, see Nova73 Plug-in Modules			
DALLIS IO	Frame 3RU	940/30		
	Frame 6RU	940/60		
	for master boards & IO cards, see DALLIS Interfaces			
Compact IO Stagebox	Compact IO 5RU (fully fitted)	985/50		

13.1.1 Data Sheets

Further technical information can be found in the product data sheets. The system <u>part numbers</u> will help you locate the data sheets for the main system components.

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All documentation is available from the **Download-Center** at <u>www.lawo.com</u> (after **Login**).



13.2 Control System Locations

The table below shows the location of the control system for different mc² and Nova products.

Note that the Router Module MKII (980/33) control system provides two network ports: **ETHERNET A** connects to the mc^2 control surface; **ETHERNET B** connects to the Lawo system network.

System	Router Module	Control System	Location	System Network Port
mc² 36	980/33	Intel	Control Surface	ETHERNET B
mc² 56 MKII	980/33	Intel	Nova73	ETHERNET B
mc² 66 MKII	980/33	Intel	Nova73	ETHERNET B
mc² 96	980/33	Intel	Nova73	ETHERNET B
Nova73 HD MKII	980/33	Intel	Nova73	ETHERNET B
Nova73 Compact MKII	980/33	Intel	Nova73 Compact	ETHERNET B
mc² Micro Core	980/33	Intel	Micro Core	ETHERNET B
Nova37	980/33	Intel	Nova37	ETHERNET B



13.3 Default TCP/IP Settings

Default IP Addresses

The default IP addresses, for different Lawo product control systems, are:

- $mc^236 = 192.168.102.36$
- $mc^256 = 192.168.102.56$
- $mc^266 = 192.168.102.65$
- $mc^296 = 192.168.102.96$
- Nova73 (HD & Compact) = 192.168.102.1
- mc² Micro Core = 192.168.102.136
- Nova37 = 192.168.102.137
- mxGUI (local control system) = 192.168.56.101

You can check the IP address of your control system from the **System Settings** display under **Global** -> **System** -> **IP Address Primary**.

Subnet Mask

For all products, the default Subnet Mask = 255.255.255.0

Other IP Addresses

The table below lists the other IP addresses used within a Nova73 MKII installation:

Device	Port	IP Address	Notes
Router Module 980/33 Slot A	ETHERNET A (internal network)	192.168.105.1	Fixed address.
Router Module 980/33 Slot A	ETHERNET B (external network)	192.168.102.xxx	Default address of the control system (as listed above).
Router Module 980/33 Slot B (optional)	ETHERNET A (internal network)	192.168.106.1	Fixed address.
Router Module 980/33 Slot B (optional)	ETHERNET B (external network)	192.168.102.xxx	This address is <i>always</i> one digit higher than that of the main control system.
Ethernet Switch (optional)	-	192.168.102.250	Default address.
ISDN Dialup Router (optional)	-	192.168.102.200	Default address.

We recommend keeping the default IP addresses, where possible, as this will simplify remote maintenance. The control system address (ETHERNET B) can be changed in a file called "ip-address" located on the data card (in the **/data/config** folder).



13.4 GNU Public License

The GPL source code contained in this product is available from the Lawo support department. If you would like a copy of the GPL source code in this product on a CD, please send €9,90 to Lawo for the cost of preparing and mailing the CD to you.

The Web Browser Interface can be used to view a list of all open source licenses and source code patch files used in this product.



13.5 DALLIS IO Card Compatibility

The following table shows which DALLIS IO Cards are supported by the 947/21 and 947/22 DALLIS master boards.

boards.					
Card Type	947/21 RA-Link	947/21 RAV-net	947/22 M A DI	947/22 RA-Link	947/22 RAV-net
DALLISSLOTTYPE_941_02 // Analog in 4 Mono traf.sym. SubD 15dBu->0dB FS	x	-	x	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_941_04 // Analog in 4 Mono traf.sym. SubD 24dBu->0dB FS	x	-	x	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_941_06 // Analog in 4 Mono traf.sym. SubD 18dBu->0dB FS	x	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_941_12 // Analog in 4 Mono traf.sym. XLR 15dBu->0dB FS	x	-	x	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_941_14 // Analog in 4 Mono traf.sym. XLR 24dBu->0dB FS	x	-	x	x	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_941_16 // Analog in 4 Mono traf.sym. XLR 18dBu->0dB FS	x	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_941_51 // MicLine in 8 Mono elec.sym. SubD 15dBu->0dB FS	x	x	х	х	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_941_52 // MicLine in 4 Mono traf.sym. SubD 15dBu->0dB FS	x	x	х	х	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_941_53 // MicLine in 8 Mono traf.sym. SubD variabel	x	x	x	х	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_941_55 // new 941_51 MicLine in 8 Mono elec.sym. SubD 15dBu->0dB FS	x	x	x	х	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_941_62 // MicLine in 4 Mono elec.sym. XLR 15dBu->0dB FS	x	x	x	х	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_941_83 // Analog in/out 2*8 Mono elec.sym. SubD variable	x	-	x	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_941_84 // Analog in/ 1*8 Mono elec.sym. SubD variable	x	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_941_85 // Analog in/out 2*8Mono elec.sym. SubD variable, Replacement for 941_83	x	х	х	х	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_941_86 // Analog in/ 1*8Mono elec.sym. SubD variable, Replacement for 941_84	x	х	х	х	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_942_02 // Analog out 4 Mono traf.sym. SubD 15dBu->0dB FS	х	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_942_04 // Analog out 4 Mono traf.sym. SubD 24dBu->0dB FS	х	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_942_06 // Analog out 4 Mono traf.sym. SubD 18dBu->0dB FS	х	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_942_12 // Analog out 4 Mono traf.sym. XLR 15dBu->0dB FS	х	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_942_14 // Analog out 4 Mono traf.sym. XLR 24dBu->0dB FS	х	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_942_16 // Analog out 4 Mono traf.sym. XLR 18dBu->0dB FS	х	-	х	х	-



Card Type	947/21	947/21	947/22	947/22	947/22
	RA-Link	RAV-net	MADI	RA-Link	RAV-net
DALLISSLOTTYPE_942_61 // Monitor out 4 Stereo asym. SubD HeadphoneAmp. integrated VCA	x	х	х	х	x
DALLISSLOTTYPE_942_61_Ext // Monitor out 4 Stereo asym.SubD HeadphoneAmp. w ith Extender	х	х	х	х	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_942_84 // Analog/out 1*8Mono elec.sym. SubD variable	х	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_942_86 // Analog/out 1*8Mono elec.sym. SubD variable, Replacement for 942_84	х	х	х	х	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_943_01 // AES in 4 Stereo in SRC SubD HighZ/Thru, Replacement for 943_84	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_943_02 // AES in 4 Stereo in SRC SubD	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_943_03 // AES in 4 Stereo in SRC SubD, Replacement for 943_02	х	х	х	x	х
DALLISSLOTTY PE_943_12 // AES in 4 Stereo in SRC XLR	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_943_13 // AES in 4 Stereo in SRC XLR, Replacement for 943_12	х	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_943_52 // AES in/out 4 Stereo only In SRC SubD	-	x	-	-	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_943_53 // AES in/out 4 Stereo only In SRC SubD, Replacement for 943_52	х	х	х	х	х
DALLISSLOTTY PE_943_54 // AES in/out 4 Stereo in/out SRC 44.1/48/96 kHz SubD	-	х	-	-	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_943_55 // AES in/out 4 Stereo in/out SRC SubD, Replacement for 943_54	х	х	х	х	х
DALLISSLOTTY PE_943_72 // AES in/out 4 Stereo in SRC BNC	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_943_73 // AES in/out 4 Stereo in SRC BNC, Replacement for 943_72	х	x	х	х	х
DALLISSLOTTY PE_943_74 // AES in/out 4 Stereo in/out SRC BNC	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_943_75 // AES in/out 4 Stereo in/out SRC BNC, Replacement for 943_74	х	х	х	x	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_943_81 // DALLIS_INTERCOM, no SRC	х	х	х	х	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_943_82 // DALLIS_INTERCOM, no SRC, Replacement for 943_81	х	х	х	х	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_943_84 // AES in 4 Stereo in SRC SubD HighZ/Thru	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_943_85 // AES in 4 Stereo in SRC SubD HighZ/Thru, Replacement for 943_84	х	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_944_01 // AES out 4 Stereo no SRC SubD	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_944_02 // AES out 4 Stereo no SRC SubD, Replacement for 944_01	х	х	х	х	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_944_11 // AES out 4 Stereo no SRC XLR	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTY PE_944_12 // AES out 4 Stereo no SRC XLR, Replacement for 944_11	х	-	х	х	-

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Card Type	947/21 RA-Link	947/21 RAV-net	947/22 MADI	947/22 RA-Link	947/22 RAV-net
DALLISSLOTTYPE_945_01 // GPIO InOptos OutRelais SubD	х	х	х	х	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_945_05 // GPIO InOptos OutOptos VCA SubD	х	х	х	х	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_945_05_Ext // GPIO InOptos OutOptos VCA SubD m w ith Extender	х	х	х	х	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_945_21 // Serial Routing 4*RS422 RJ45	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_945_22 // Serial Routing	х	х	х	х	х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_945_61 // Opto-Sw itch / BNC-Converter	Х	Х	X	Х	Х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_01 // SDI SD Embedder/De-Embedder 4 Stereo In 4 Stereo Out (non-existing, without Video Generator)	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_02 // SDI SD Embedder/De-Embedder 2 Stereo In 2 Stereo Out (non-existing, w ithout Video Generator)	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_03 // SDI SD Embedder/De-Embedder 4 Stereo In 0 Stereo Out (non-existing, without Video Generator)	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_04 // SDI SD Embedder/De-Embedder 0 Stereo In 4 Stereo Out (non-existing, w ithout Video Generator)	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_05 // SDI HD Embedder/De-Embedder 4 Stereo In 4 Stereo Out (without Video Generator)	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_06 // SDI HD Embedder/De-Embedder 2 Stereo In 2 Stereo Out (w ithout Video Generator)	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_07 // SDI HD Embedder/De-Embedder 4 Stereo In 0 Stereo Out (w ithout Video Generator)	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTY PE_946_08 // SDI HD Embedder/De-Embedder 0 Stereo In 4 Stereo Out (w ithout Video Generator)	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_09 // SDI SD Embedder/De-Embedder 4 Stereo In 4 Stereo Out (with Video Generator)	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTY PE_946_10 // SDI SD Embedder/De-Embedder 2 Stereo In 2 Stereo Out (with Video Generator)	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_11 // SDI SD Embedder/De-Embedder 4 Stereo In 0 Stereo Out (with Video Generator)	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTY PE_946_12 // SDI SD Embedder/De-Embedder 0 Stereo In 4 Stereo Out (with Video Generator)	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_13 // SDI HD Embedder/De-Embedder 4 Stereo In 4 Stereo Out (with Video Generator)	х	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_14 // SDI HD Embedder/De-Embedder 2 Stereo In 2 Stereo Out (with Video Generator)	х	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_15 // SDI HD Embedder/De-Embedder 4 Stereo In 0 Stereo Out (with Video Generator)	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_16 // SDI HD Embedder/De-Embedder 0 Stereo In 4 Stereo Out (with Video Generator)	х	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_17 // 946/17 3G SDI Inserter (16 channels)	х	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_18 // 946/17 3G SDI Inserter (8 channels)	x	-	x	х	-



Card Type	947/21 RA-Link	947/21 RAV-net	947/22 MADI	947/22 RA-Link	947/22 RAV-net
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_19 // 946/17 3G SDI De-Embedder (16 channels)	х	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTY PE_946_20 // 946/17 3G SDI De-Embedder (8 channels)	х	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTY PE_946_21 // 946/17 3G SDI Embedder (16 channels)	х	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_22 // 946/17 3G SDI Embedder (8 channels)	х	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_31_8_8 // ADAT De-/Encoder 8 in, 8 Out	х	-	x	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_31_4_4 // ADAT De-/Encoder 4 in, 4 Out	х	-	х	х	-
DALLISSLOTTYPE_946_41 // 946/41 Ravenna Evalboard (8 channels)	х	х	х	х	х
DALLISSLOTTY PE_946_42 // 946/42 Ravenna (64 channels)	х	х	х	х	х
DALLING OTTOTE OUT 40 // FL. / D.					
DALLISSLOTTYPE_947_10 // Phantom Pow er card	Х	X	X	Х	Х
DALLISSLOTTYPE_947_41 // SumMx fixed	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTY PE_947_42 // SumMx Matrix	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISSLOTTY PE_947_42G // Sum Matrix, 6 SumOutputs und 2 Generators	-	-	-	-	-
DALLISMASTERTYPE_947_05 // Mastercard MADI fibre	-	-		-	-
DALLISMASTERTYPE_947_07 // Mastercard MADI fibre + redundant fibre	-	-		-	-
DALLISMASTERTYPE_947_15 // Mastercard MADI SMF	-	-		-	-
DALLISMASTERTYPE_947_21 // Mastercard Ravenna	х	х		х	-
DALLISMASTERTYPE_947_22 // Mastercard MADI, based on 947_21	-	-		х	х
LOCALIOMASTERTY PE_958_68 // Mastercard RAVENNA (Identical to 947_21)	х	х	-	-	-
LOCALIOMASTERTY PE_958_67 MADI // Mastercard MADI fibre (Identical to 947_22)	-	-	х	-	-
LOCALIOMASTERTY PE_958_67 RA-Link // Mastercard MADI fibre (Identical to 947_22)	-	-	-	х	-
LOCALIOMASTERTY PE_958_67 RAV-net // Mastercard MADI fibre (Identical to 947_22)	-	-	-	-	х
LOCALIOSLOTTYPE_958_60 // Monitor out 4 Stereo asym. SubD HeadphoneAmp. integrated VCA (Identical to 941_85)	х	х	х	х	х





Card Type	947/21 RA-Link		947/22 MADI		947/22 RAV-net
LOCALIOSLOTTY PE_958_60B // Monitor out 4 Stereo asym. XLR HeadphoneAmp. integrated VCA (Identical to 941_85)	х	х	х	х	х
LOCALIOSLOTTY PE_958_61 // AES in/out 4 Stereo only InSRC 44.1/48/96 kHz SubD (Identical to 943_53)	х	x	х	x	х
LOCALIOSLOTTY PE_958_61B // AES in/out 4 Stereo only InSRC 44.1/48/96 kHz XLR (Identical to 943_53)	х	х	х	х	х
LOCALIOSLOTTY PE_958_62 // Monitor out 4 Stereo asym. SubD HeadphoneAmp. integrated VCA (Identical to 942_61)	х	х	х	х	х
LOCALIOSLOTTY PE_958_63 // GPIO InOptos OutRelais SubD (Identical to 945_01)	х	х	х	х	х



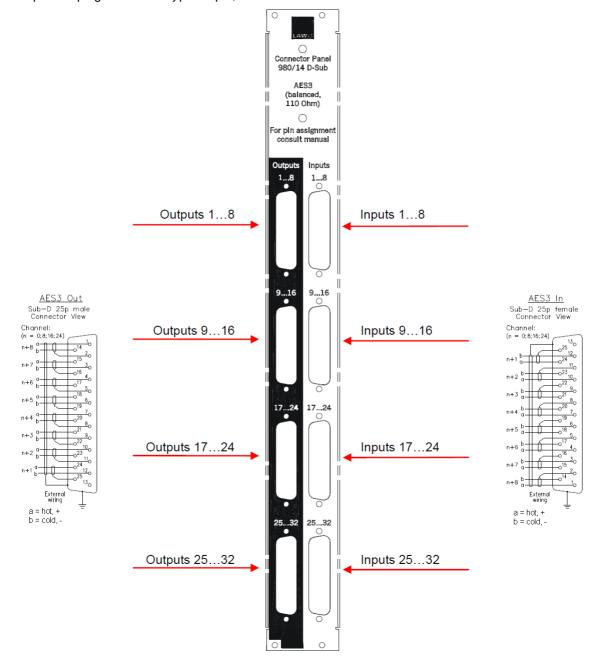
13.6 Connector Pin-Outs

13.6.1 Nova73 AES3 Rear Connector Panels

The **Nova73 HD** supports two types of AES3 rear connector panel: the 980/14 (D-type) and 980/15 (BNC). Pinouts for the **Nova73 Compact** AES3 rear connectors are identical to the 980/14.

980/14 Connector Panel D-type

- Outputs: 4 plugs D-type 25-pin, each with 8 balanced contacts 110
- Inputs: 4 plug sockets D-type 25-pin, each with 8 balanced contacts 110





980/15 Connector Panel BNC

- Outputs: 32 BNC connector, unbalanced contacts 75
- Inputs: 32 BNC connector, unbalanced contacts 75

