



CS++ - Libraries extending the NI Actor Framework

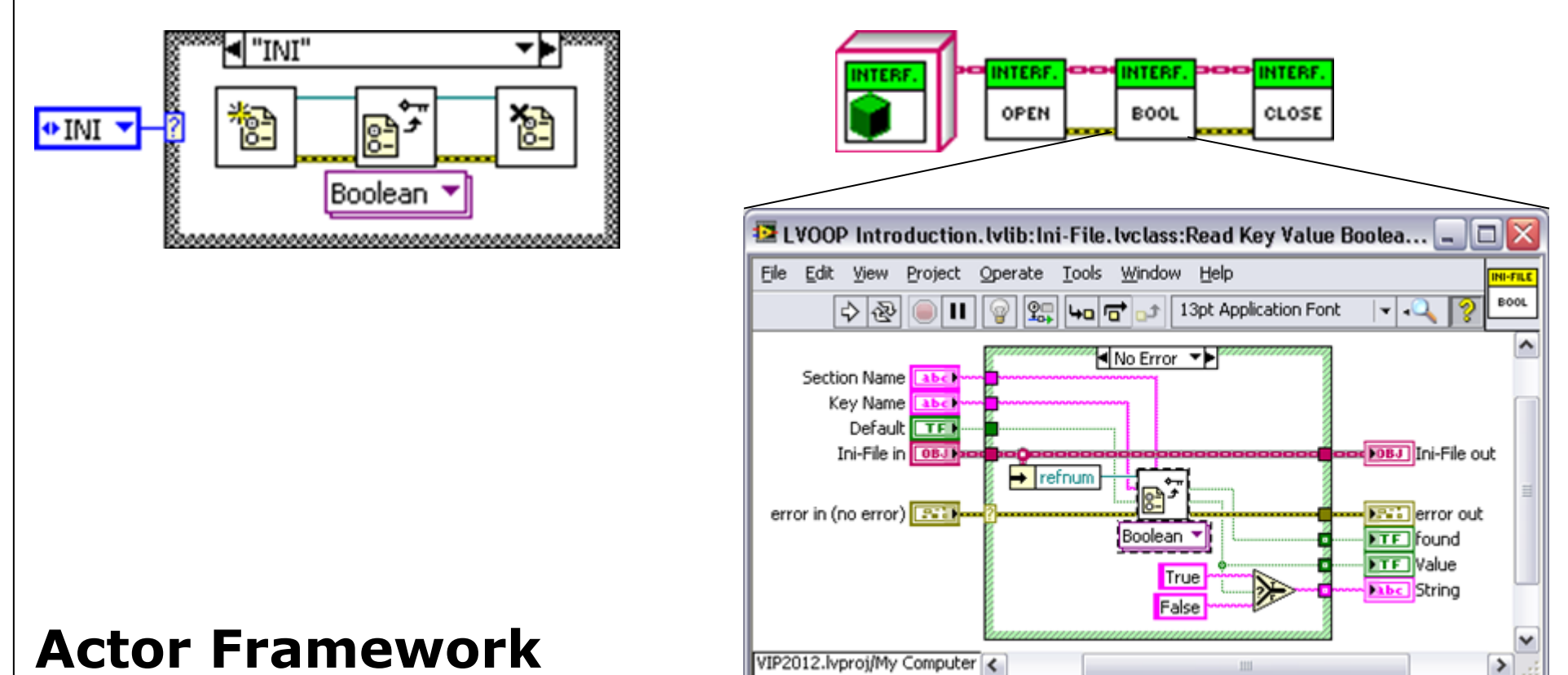
The native LVOOP based successor of the CS Framework

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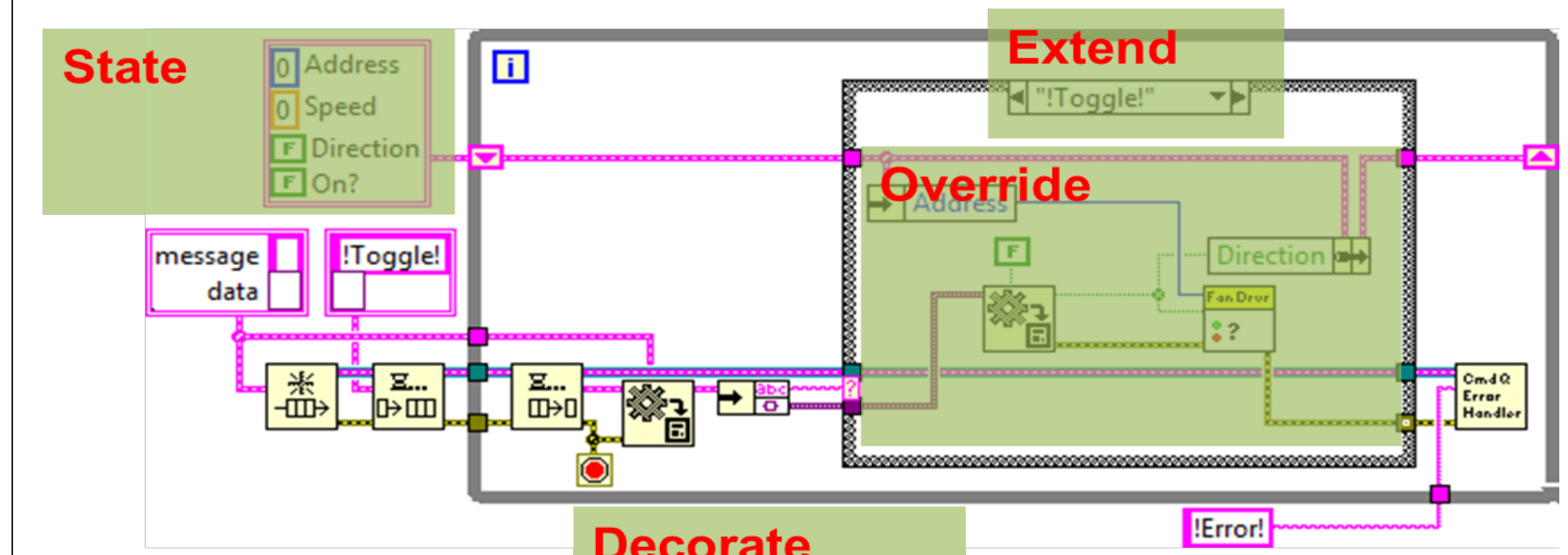
LVOOP: Possible cases for the application of classes

- Cluster or type definitions can be replaced with classes.
- Derives classes add attributes to the ancestor class.
- Replacement of data type dependent case-structures by dynamic dispatching.
- Dependent of the objects class the correct corresponding Override-VI is called.



Actor Framework

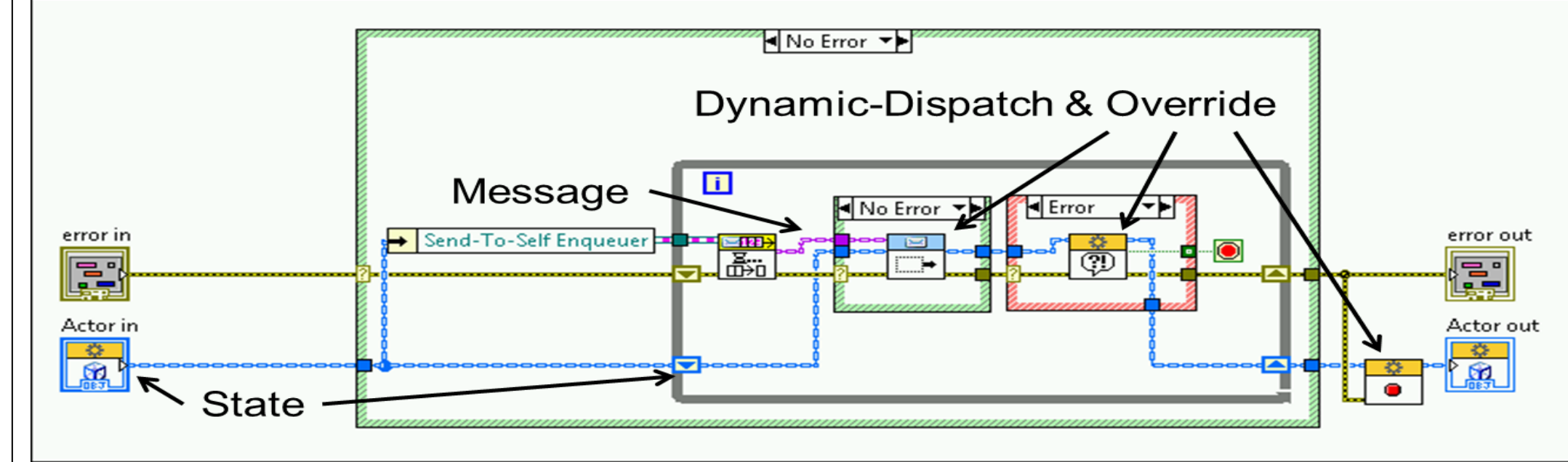
The application layer uses base classes only. Details are implemented in derived classes.



QDMH.vi → Actor Core.vi

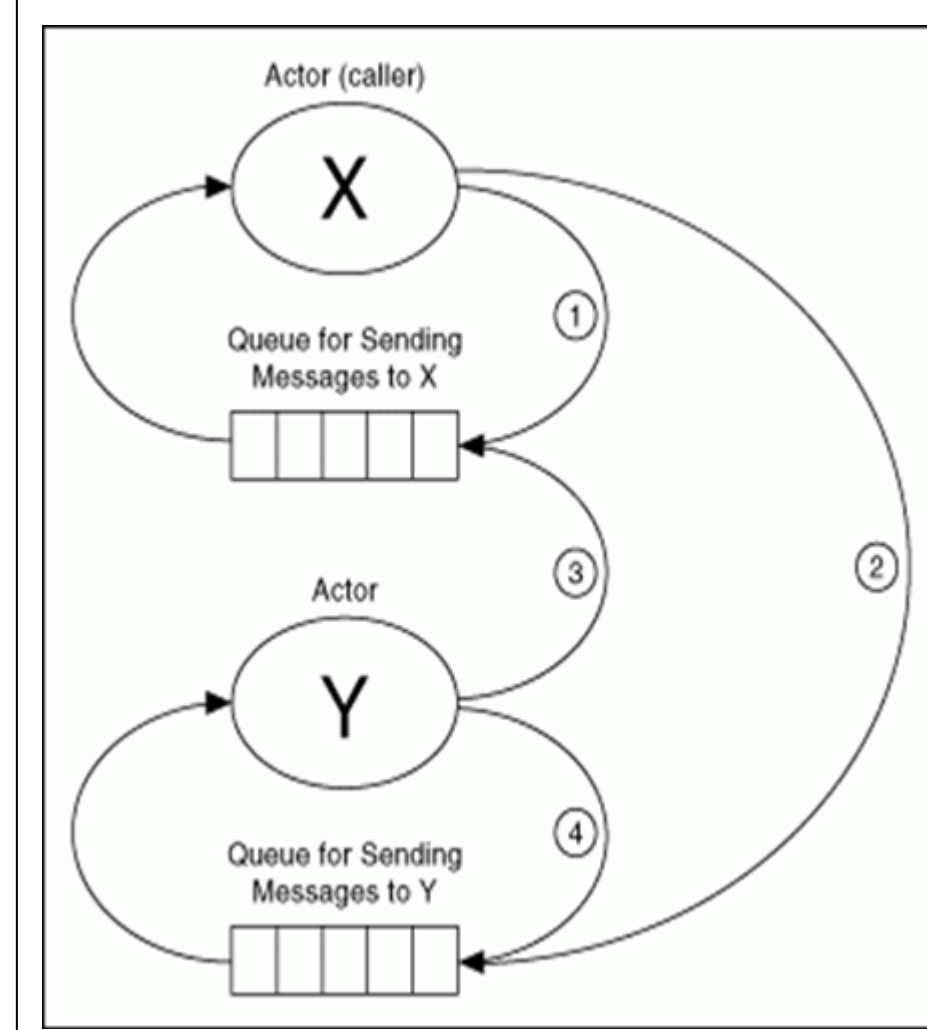
- State Cluster → Actor Class
- Command Cluster → Message Class
- Case Structure → Message:Do.vi
- Error-Handling → Handle Error.vi
- Stop → Stop Core.vi

Actor: Actor Core.vi



Local Actor Communication

- Each Actor has a Message-Queue.
- Message classes are the public interface.
- Communication paths:
 - Actor to Self (1,4)
 - Caller-Actor to Nested-Actor (2)
 - Nested-Actor to Caller (3)

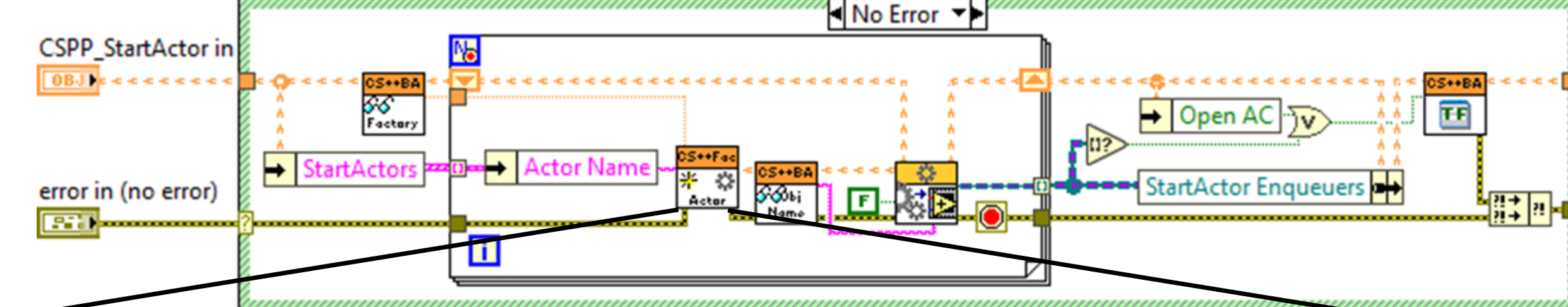


Purpose: CS++ libraries ease development and commissioning of heterogenous distributed experiment control systems.

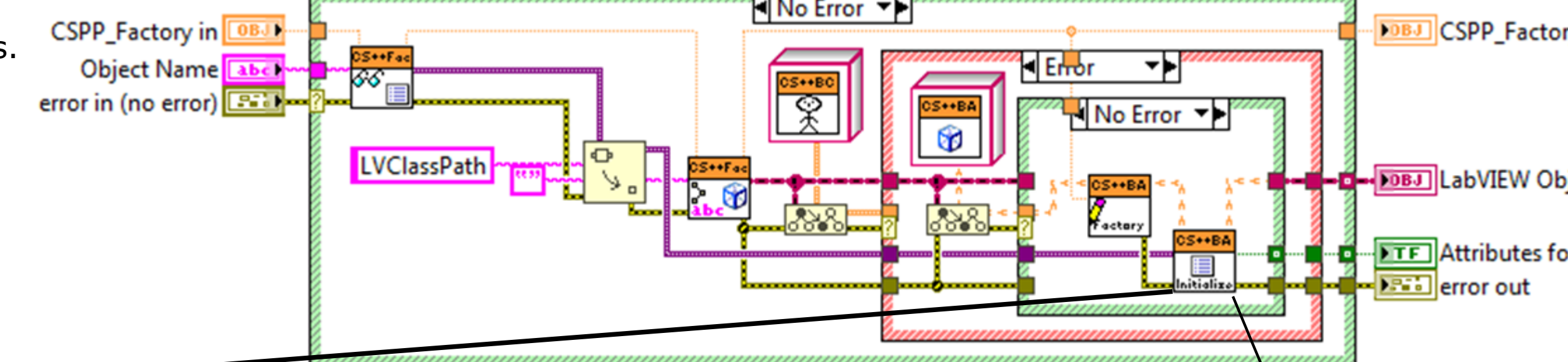
CS++ extends AF with missing functionalities which are need in the experimenta physics domain where experiments are dynamically developed, rearranged and extended on the fly. CS++ adds Factory with configuration database, Process Variables, After-Launch-Init, Pseudo-Periodic Polling, Settings, Asynchronous Callback Messages, Central Message Logging, Data Logging, Introspection, ObjectManager, StartActor, which can automatically (re-)lauch nested actors by configuration, and a custom CS++MessageMaker that supports the generation CS++ Messages using VI-Scripting.

StartActor, Factory & Object Initialisation

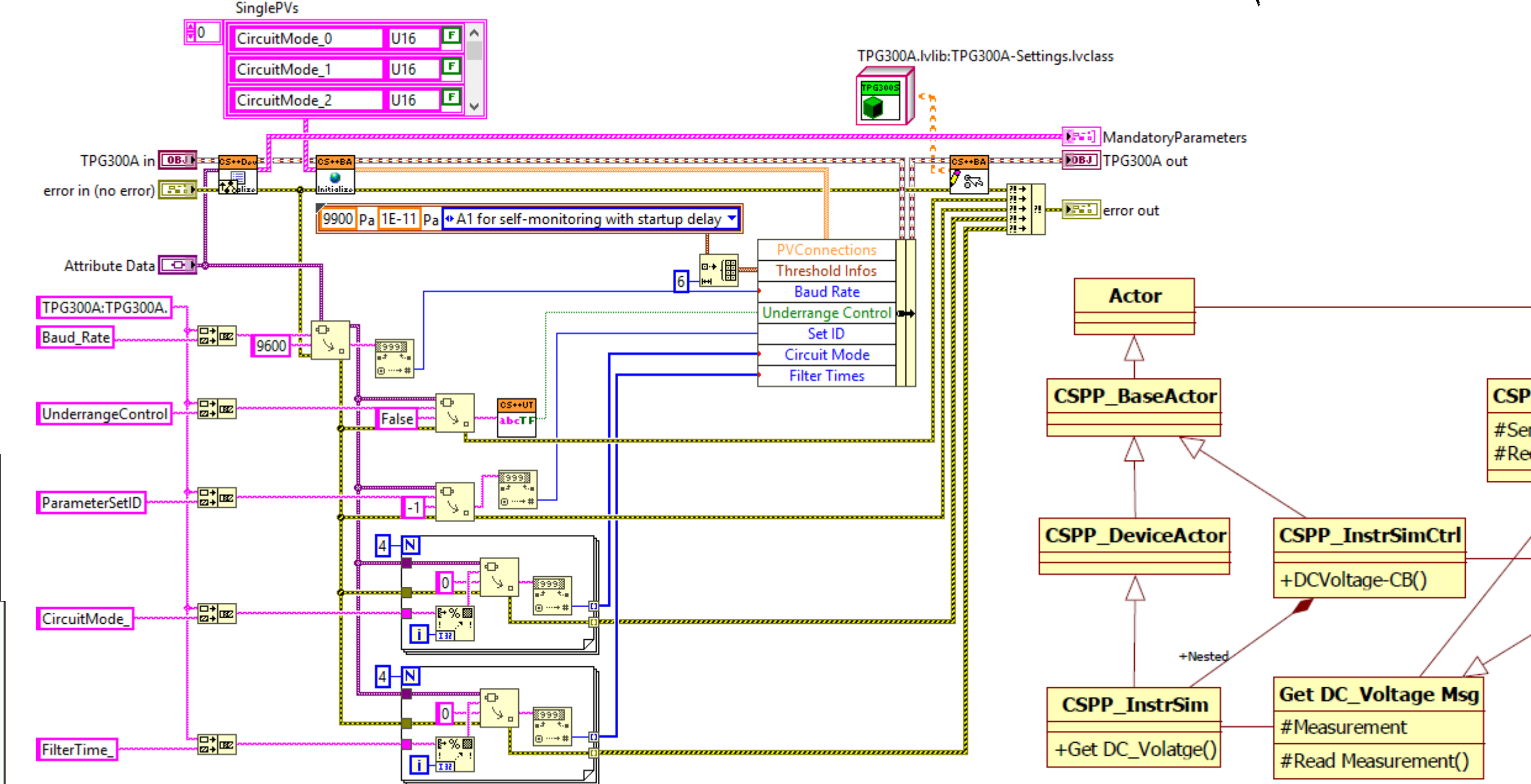
CSPP_StartActor.lvlib:CSPP_StartActor.lvclass:Launch Start Actors.vi



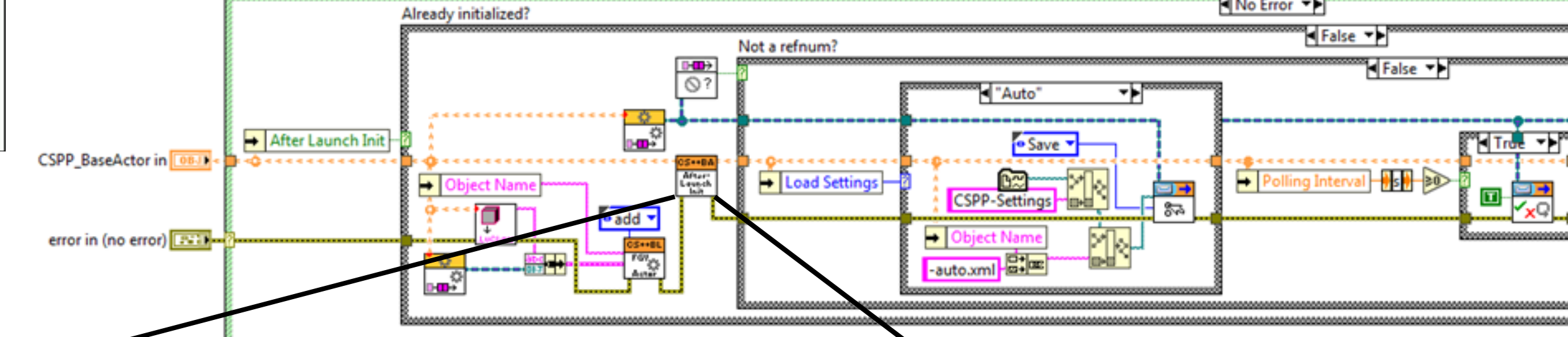
CSPP_BaseClasses.lvlib:CSPP_Factory.lvclass:CreateObject.vi



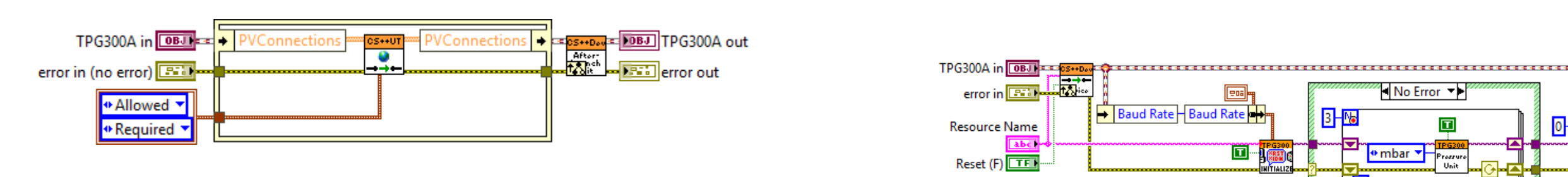
Override TPG300A.lvlib:TPG300A.lvclass:Initialize Attributes.vi



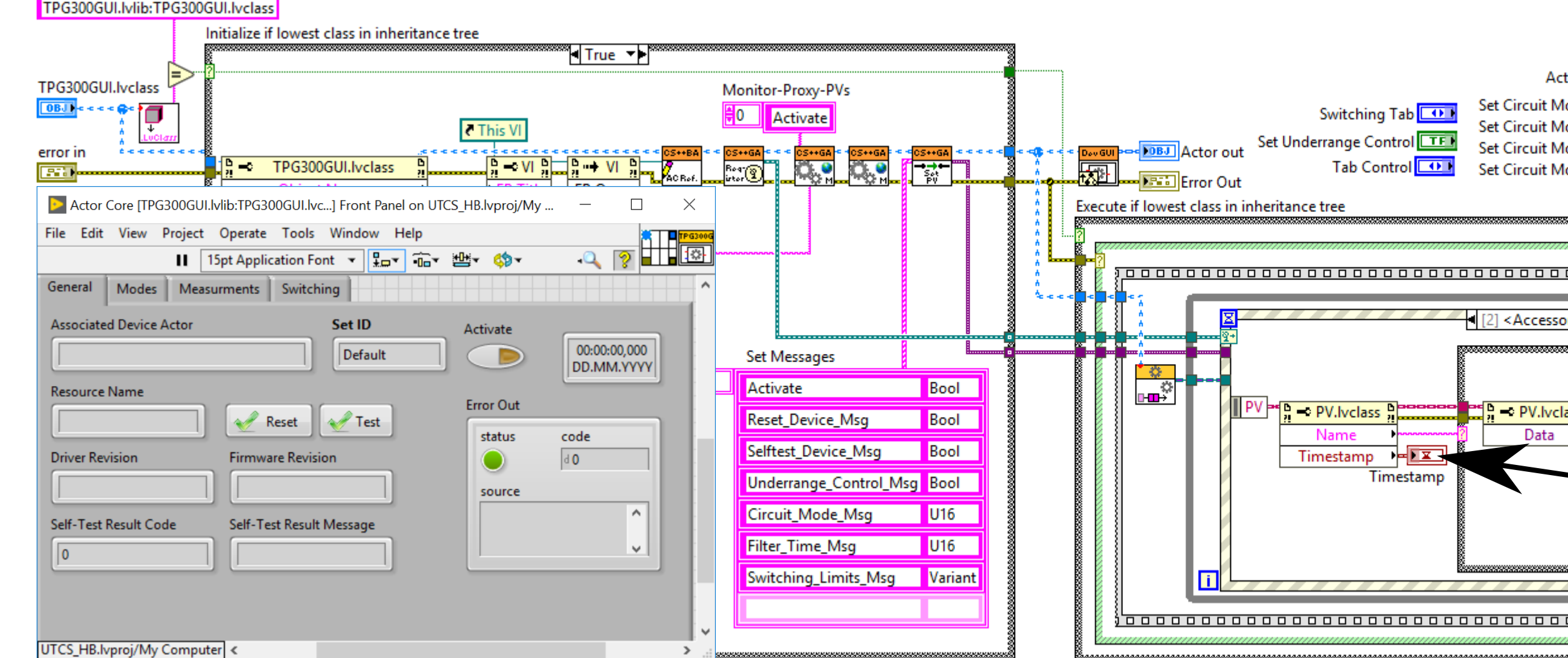
CSPP_BaseActor.lvlib:CSPP_BaseActor.lvclass:After Launch Init.vi



TPG300A.lvlib:TPG300A.lvclass:After Launch Init Core.vi TPG300A.lvlib:TPG300A.lvclass:Initialize Device Core.vi



TPG300GUI.lvlib:TPG300.lvclass:Actor Core.vi

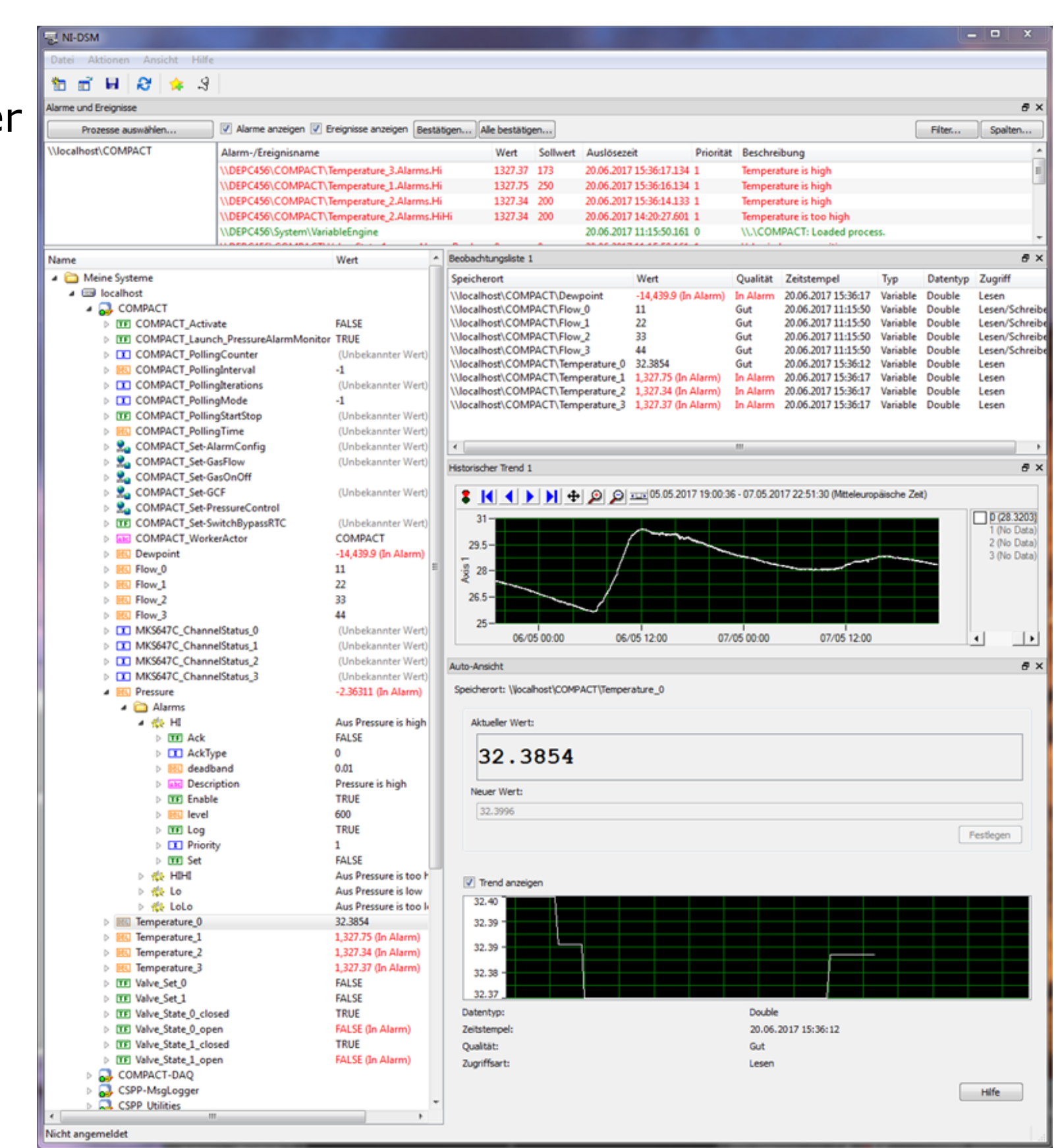


NI Tools

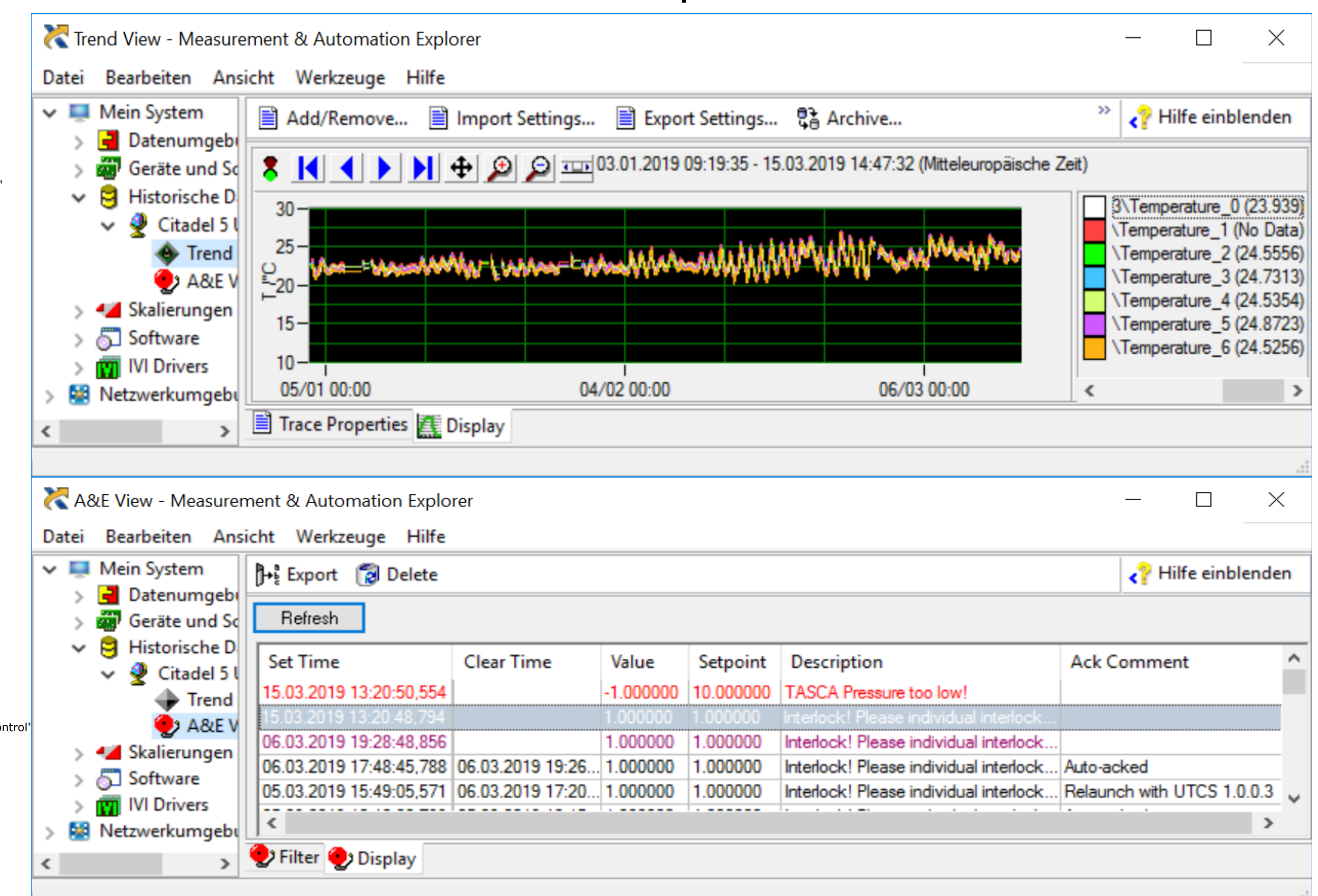
Distributed System Manager

Features:

- Alarm & Event Monitoring
- Distributed Process List
- Process
- Shared Variable List
- Selected SV List
- Historical Data Trending
- Online Monitor/Trending
- Processes, (Bound-)SV,
- Datalogging and Alarming
- can be configured from DSM.
- Workspace: load/save
- Sections can be un-/docked
- Very useful for adhoc monitoring and debugging without dedicated GUI.



Measurement & Automation Explorer



Coupling of Actor, Message and Process Variable

All CS++ actors publish their state to process variables, shared variables by default. Any other CS++ actor can launch a PVMonitor and register messages to be dispatched on value change or alarm/event. A GUI can monitor PVs for display, other actors may react to PV set-values. PVProxy is a class that allows to associate actor messages with PV-URLs by configuration. CS++MessageMaker decorates derived actor messages with PV parsing.

