Migrating to Phoebus

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Motivation



Great at the time:

- Build Setup
- Module System
- Preferences
- Extensibility
- Graphics... but there are now (better) alternatives

But...

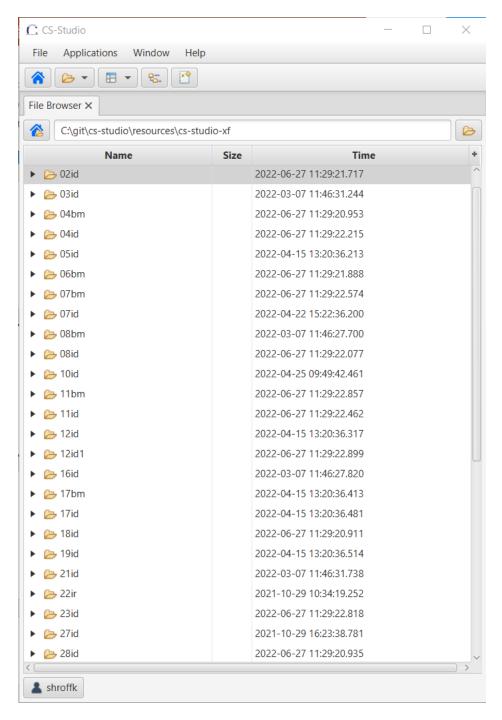
- Awkward layout constraints for control system user interface
- "Workspace" that's different from the file system
- Odd menu entries that we don't need
- Performance and Reliability Issues

Phoebus

- Better look and feel
- Better performance
- Lesser code
- JavaFX greatly facilitates the MVC design pattern

CS-Studio & Phoebus at NSLS2

- Different products packaged for different use cases
 CS-Studio (for accl) → phoebus-accl
 CS-Studio (for beamlines) → phoebus-beamlines
- Both CS-Studio and Phoebus are installed on all workstations
 - >> run-css
 >> run-phoebus
- OPI screens are organized into 2 repo cs-studio-accl (~10k.opi & .plt)
 cs-studio-xf (~20k.opi & .plt)



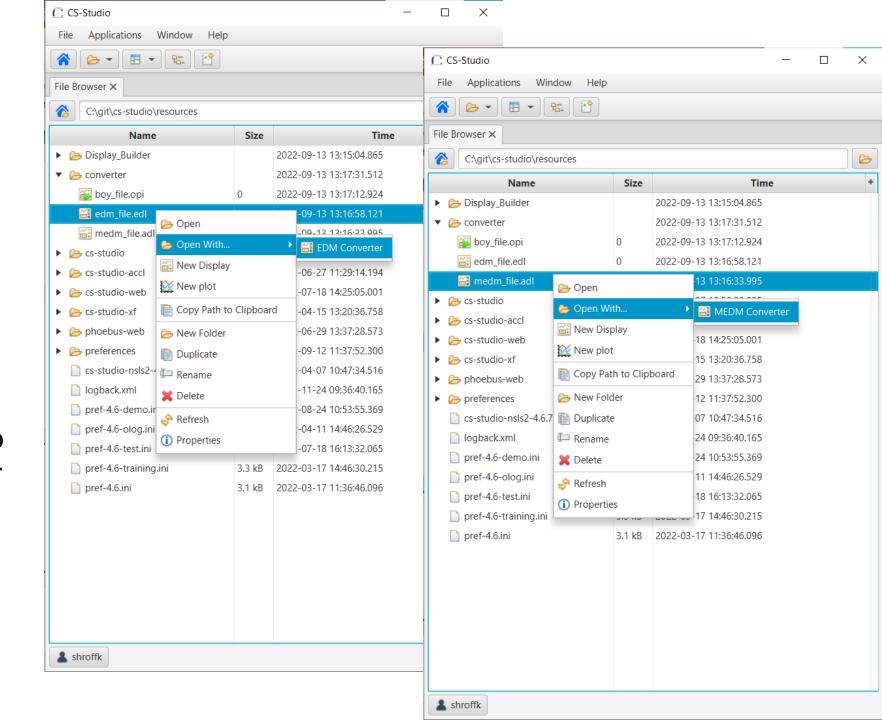
Auto converters

The display builder can read existing BOY .opi displays

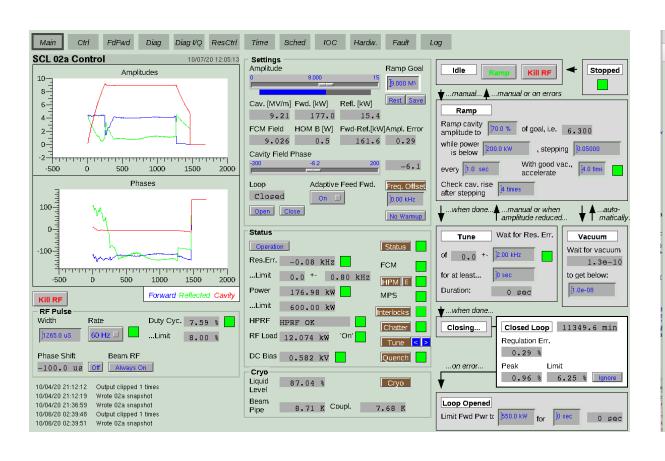
The display builder also supports converters for

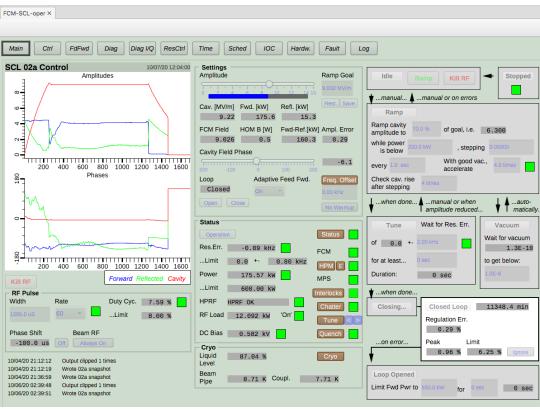
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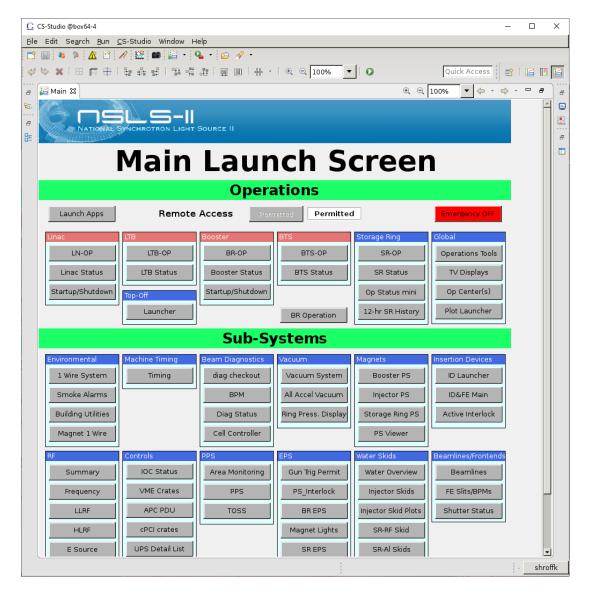


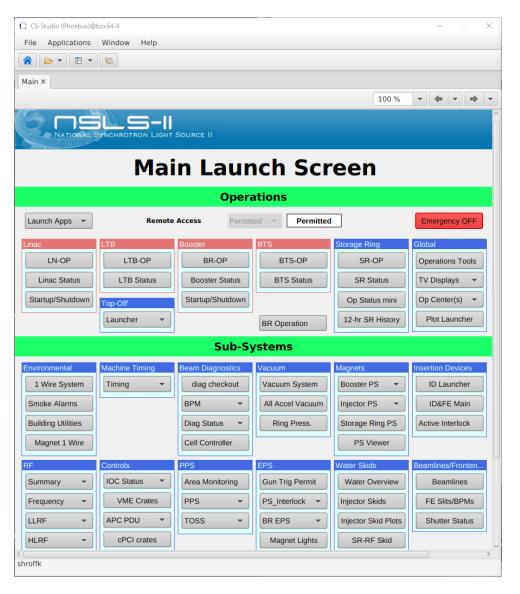
EDM screens converted on runtime

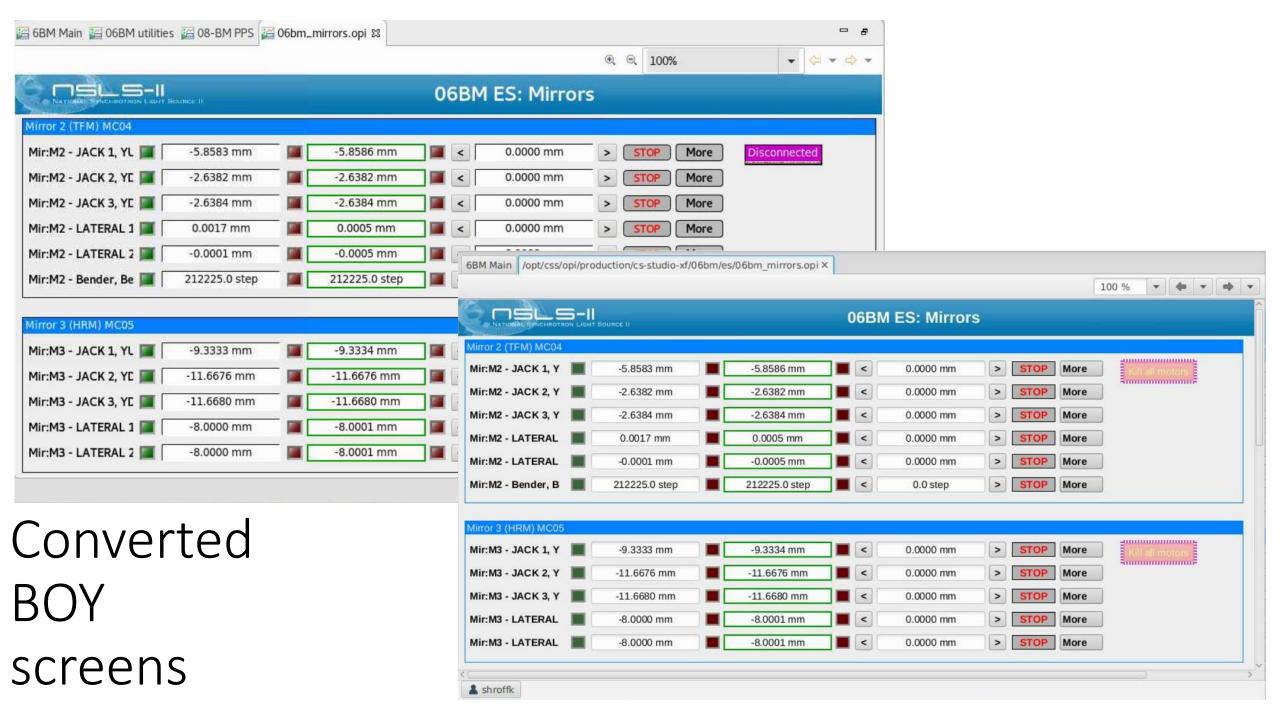


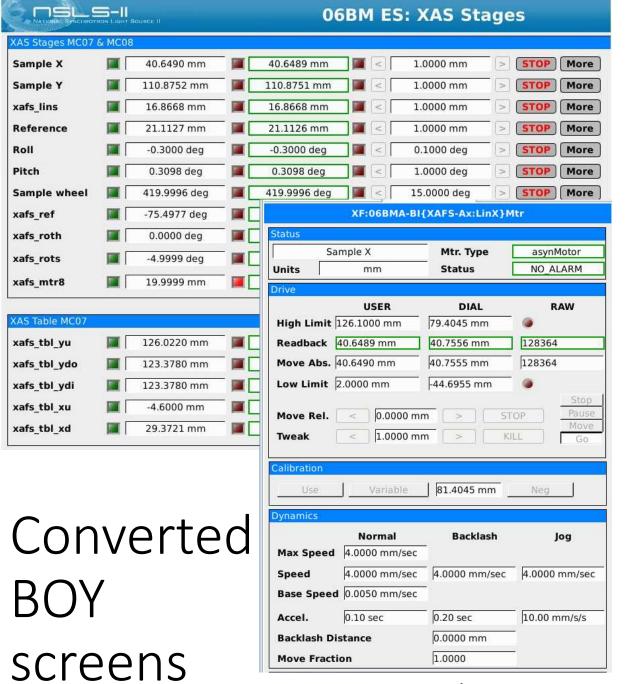


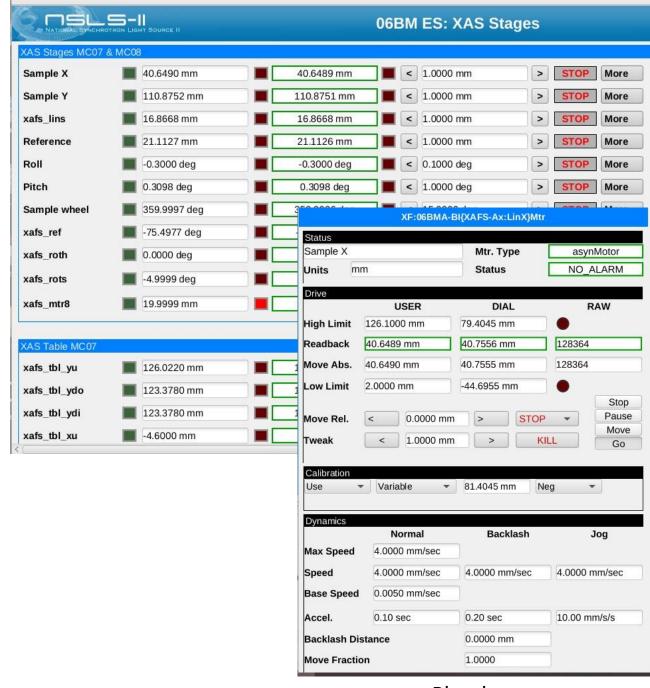
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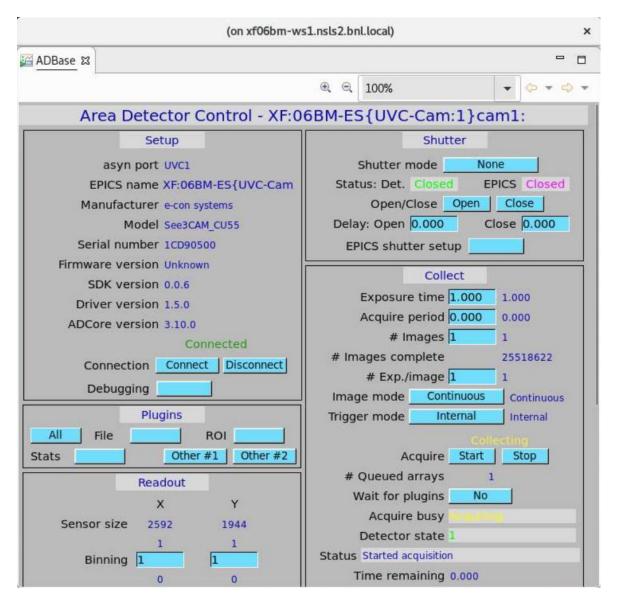


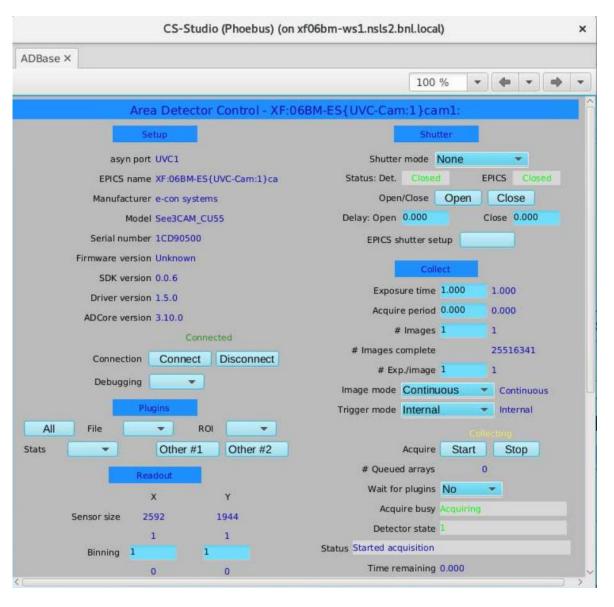




CS-Studio

Phoebus



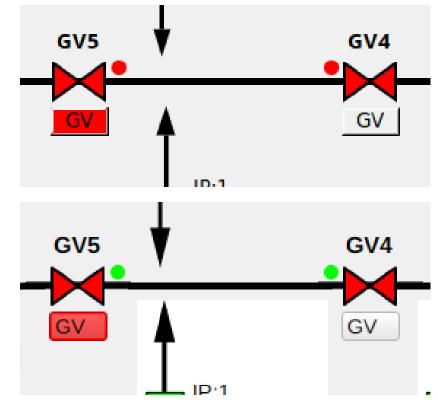


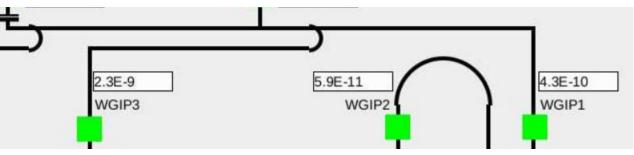
Case 1a:

The auto converted screens are completely functional but have aesthetic issues

 The most common of these has been alignment of widgets inside auto resized containers

 Changes are made to the original .opi file to avoid use of auto resize

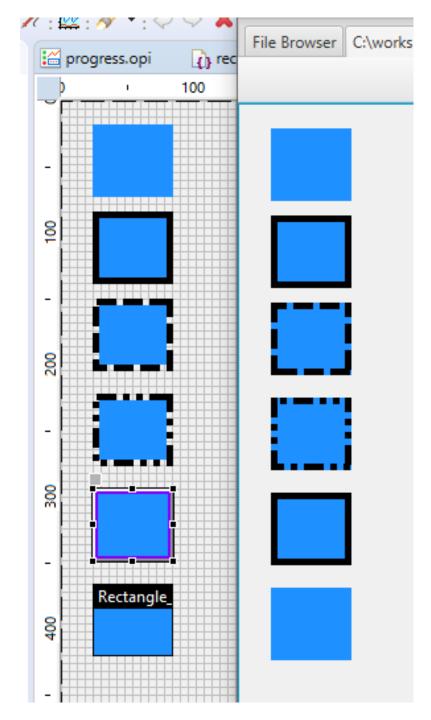




Case 1b:

The auto converter is not converting some widget properties correctly.

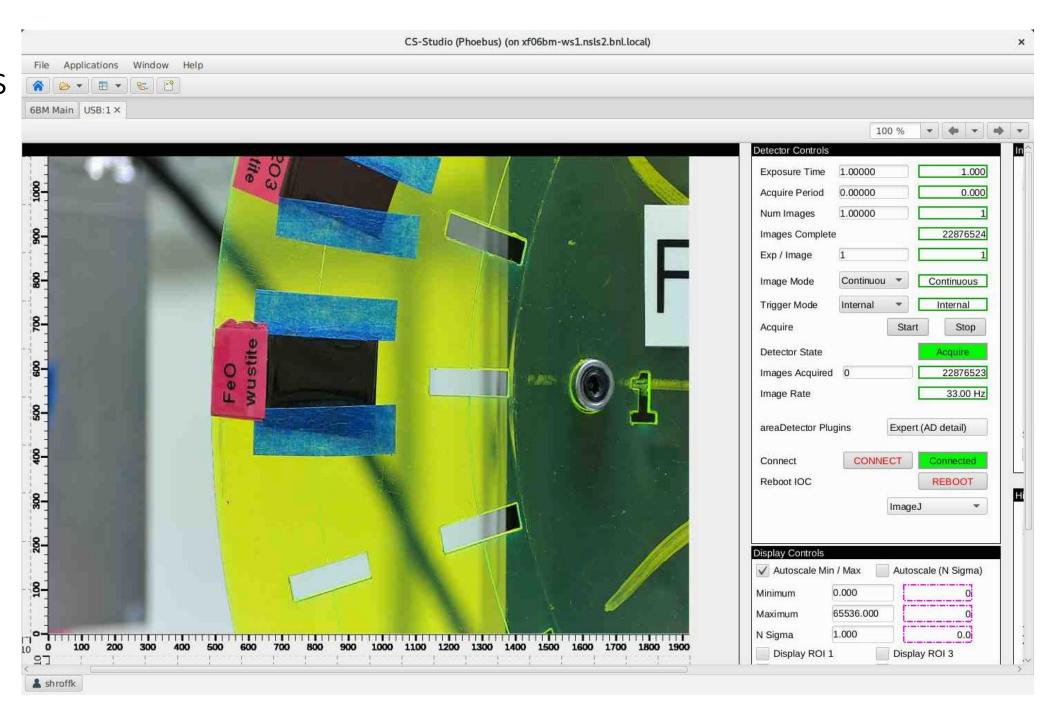
- The Phoebus auto converter is updated to handle the conversion issue
- e.g. <u>Issue #1564</u> & <u>Issue #1771</u>
 For certain shapes the "border" property from the .opi files was being ignored



BMM USB camera

PVA Images handled automatically

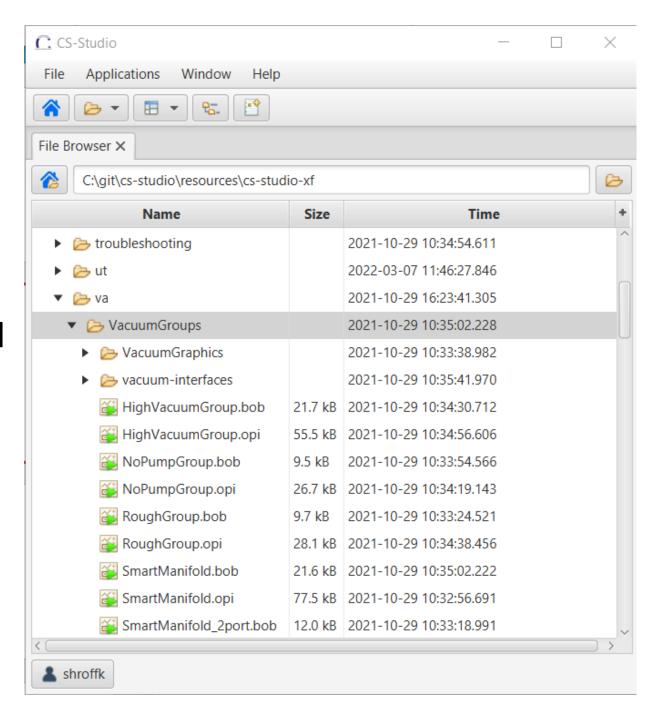
Dozens of rules needed to properly render the Image are no longer needed



Good Neighbours

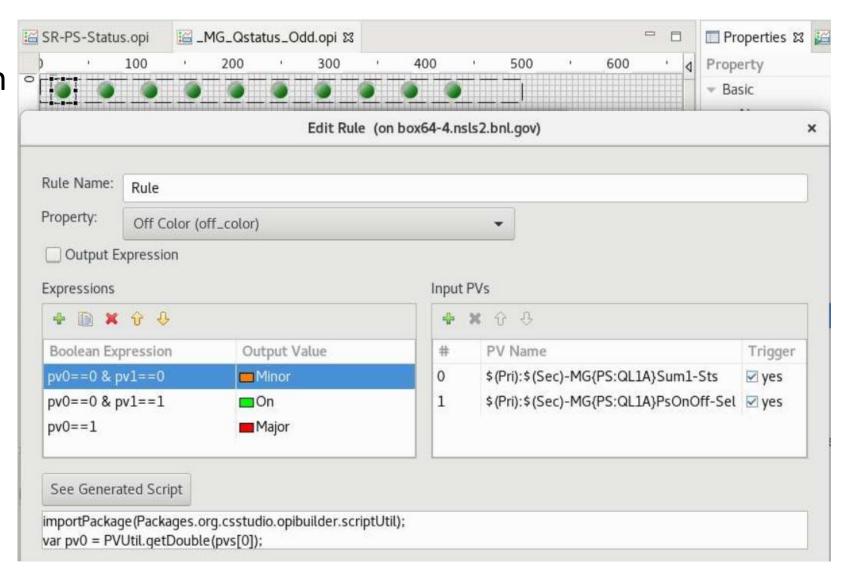
- Once a converted file is modified it is stored as a .bob file
- The Display Builder runtime will first check for a .bob file, if found it will open it otherwise fall back on the .opi file

 No impact on existing use of CS-Studio



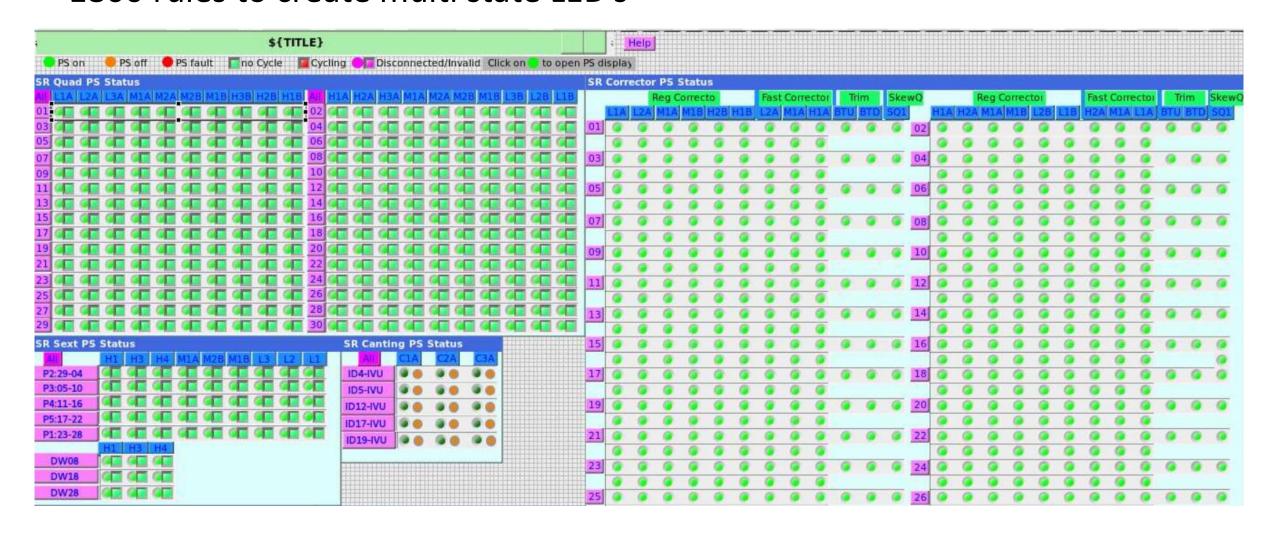
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 Some screens which are converted perfectly can still benefit from a redesign



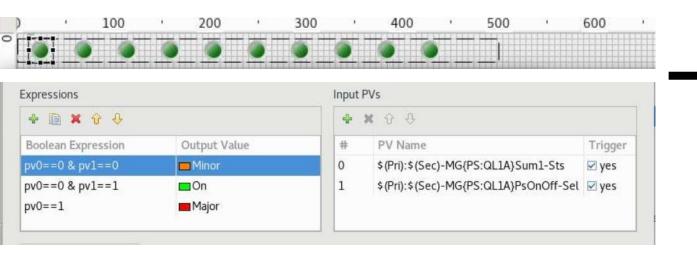
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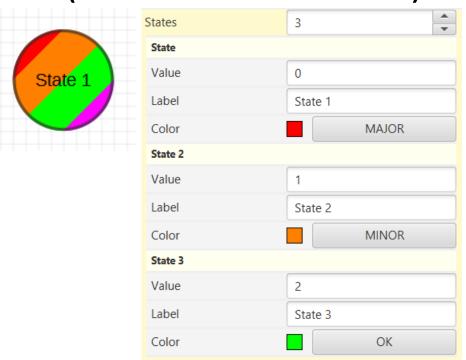
• 1800 rules to create multi state LED's



Redesign Screens in Phoebus (more efficient)

- The same functionality can be accomplished using multistate LEDs + Formula functions
- Faster loading of .bob files
- Less load on the UI thread since formulas are processed off the UI thread

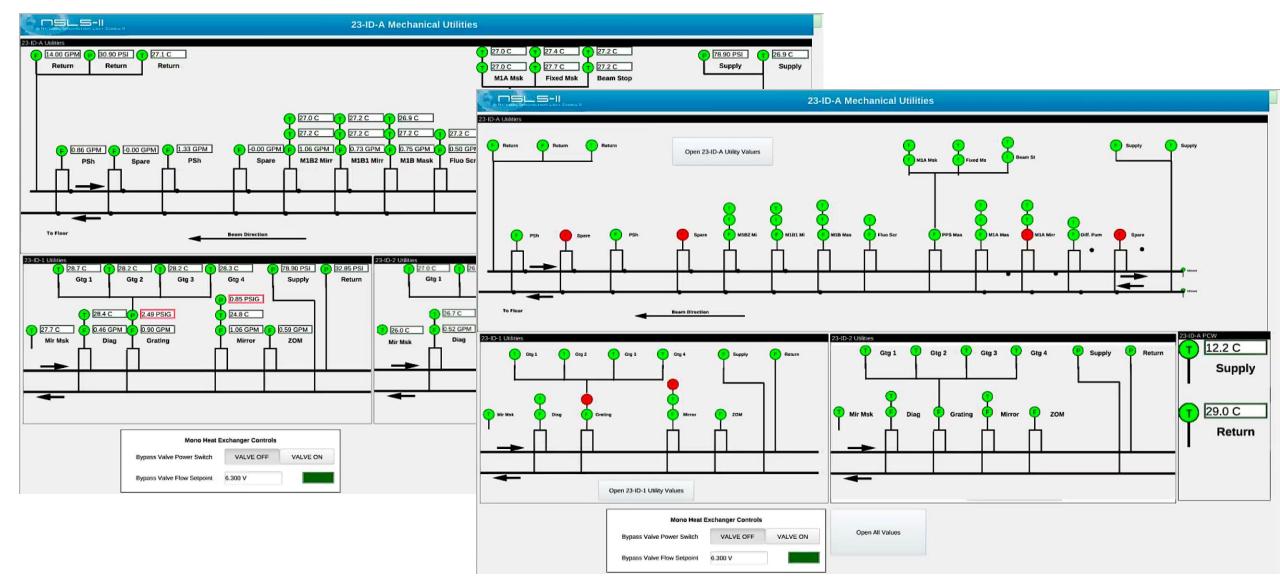




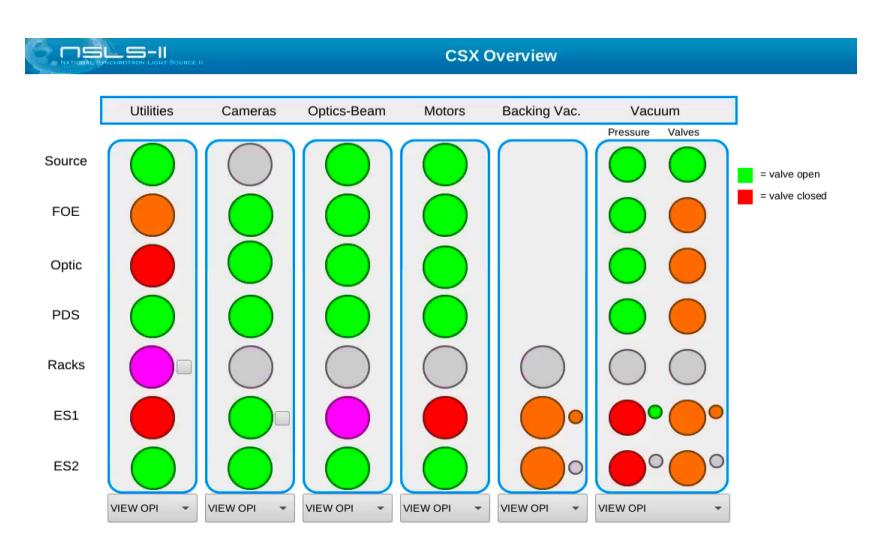
=(pv0==1? Major : pv1 ==0? Minor : OK)

(Major, Minor, OK are 3 states)

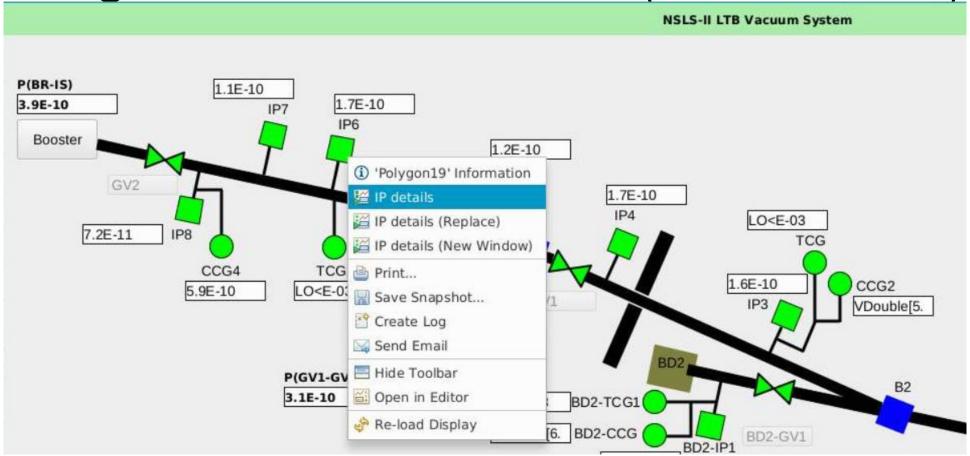
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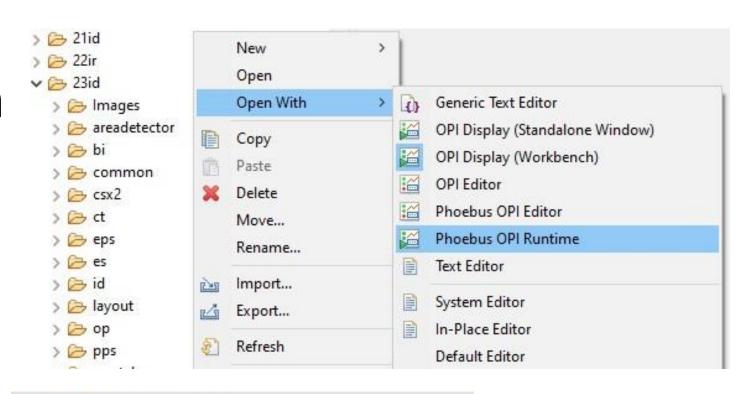


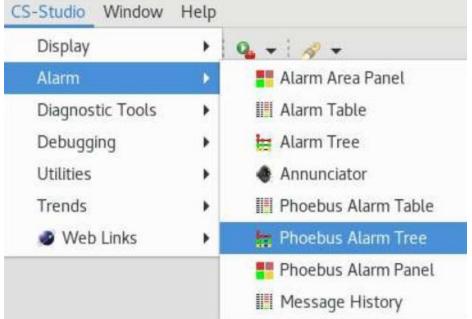
• Rethink the use of "on click actions"

Iterative migration

 Individual .opi files can be opened in the Phoebus editor or runtime

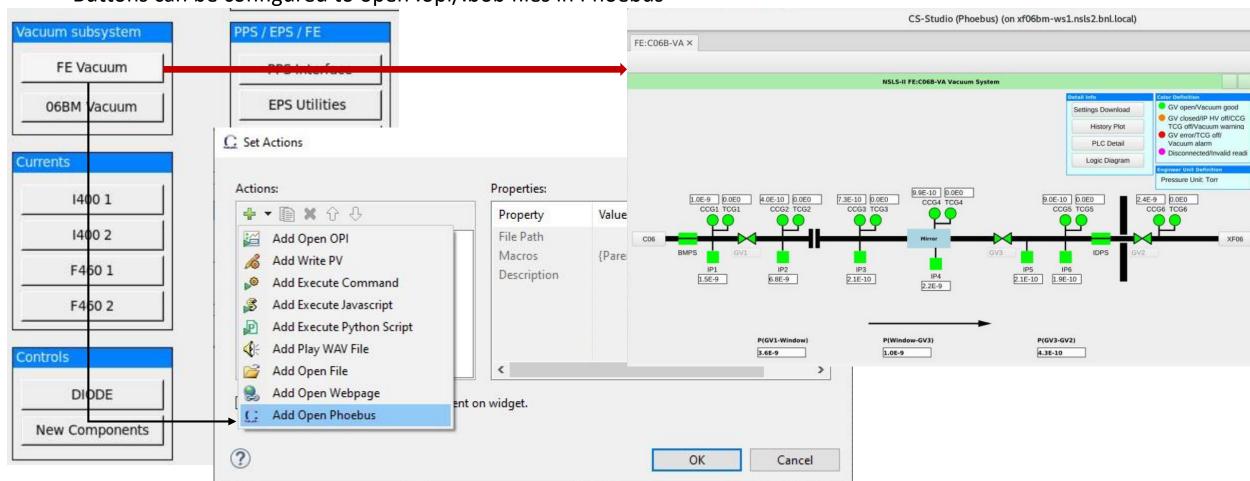
 Individual Phoebus apps can be launched





Integrating .bob files in existing .opi screen hierarchy

Action Buttons & Menu Buttons can be configured to open .opi/.bob files in Phoebus



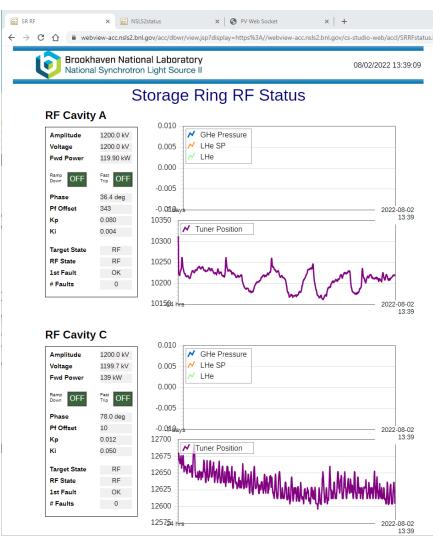
Phoebus on the web



ID & FrontEnd Status

Help support remote operations by bringing OPI screens to the web

.bob files converted to web runtime OPI's





Future plan

 2 beamlines have moved over completed to Phoebus and the new EPICS middle layer services and 4 more are in the process

 The accelerator is using Phoebus with the new alarm services and started testing some of the basic screens

 Training workshops on Phoebus to encourage conversion to be accompanied with adoption of new features and conventions

Useful links:

- https://controlsystemstudio.org/
- http://phoebus.org

- Fork us on github <u>https://github.com/ControlSystemStudio</u>
- Documentation and Help https://control-system-studio.readthedocs.io/en/latest/

Questions?