# Actor Framework

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# Chapter 1. Project description

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# Chapter 2. Libraries

This section describes the libraries contained in the project.

# 2.1. Actor Framework.lvlib

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Table 1. Nested libraries

Name	Туре
Message.lvclass	LVClass
Stop Msg.lvclass	LVClass
Batch Msg.lvclass	LVClass
Reply Msg.lvclass	LVClass
Report Error Msg.lvclass	LVClass
Last Ack.lvclass	LVClass
Launch Nested Actor Msg.lvclass	LVClass
Actor.lvclass	LVClass
Message Priority Queue.lvclass	LVClass
Message Enqueuer.lvclass	LVClass
Message Dequeuer.lvclass	LVClass
Message Queue.lvclass	LVClass
Protected Actor Handle.lvclass	LVClass
Ping Msg.lvclass	LVClass
Register Actor Msg.lvclass	LVClass
AF Debug.lvlib	Library

### 2.1.1. Functions

*Table 2. Functions (non private scope only)* 

Name	Connector pane	Description	s.	R.	I.
Time-Delayed Send Message Core	How Many Copies (0 = infini  Message Enqueuer  Message  Delivery Notifier  Time To Wait  Message Priority (Normal)  Caller Info	This VI forms the core processing loop for the time-delayed messages. This VI may be called directly if the desired behavior is for the caller to wait until the messages have been sent before continuing, but the usual usage of this VI is to call <b>Time-Delayed</b> Send Message.vi which will launch an asynch clone of this VI so that the caller can proceed with other work instead of waiting for the time out.  See Context Help for <b>Time-Delayed Send</b> Message.vi for further details.			
Time-Delayed Send Message	# Copies (0 = infinite repeat)  Message Enqueuer  Message Message Message Message Milliseconds To Wait  error in (no error)  Message Priority (Normal)	Waits for the specified amount of time and then sends a message to an actor a specified number of times.		S	
Init Actor Queues FOR TESTING ONLY	Actor in Actor-To-Caller Enqueuer  Actor-To-Self Enqueuer  Actor-To-Self Dequeuer  Actor-To-Self Dequeuer  Actor-To-Self Dequeuer	Provides access the To-Self and To-Caller message queues for an actor without launching the actor. Use this VI to test how an actor handles messages. Do not use this VI in code that you deploy.			

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# 2.1.2. Library Constant VIs

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# 2.2. AF Debug.lvlib

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Table 3. Nested libraries

Name	Туре
Protected Actor Handle.lvclass	LVClass
Ping Msg.lvclass	LVClass

Name	Туре
Register Actor Msg.lvclass	LVClass

### 2.2.1. Functions

Table 4. Functions (non private scope only)

Name	Connector pane	Description	S.	R.	I.
Get Actor Handles	Actor Handles Handler	This VI returns an array of handles for currently running actors to use in a debugging tool. Actors are wrapped in handles to limit a debugger's ability to interfere with the operation of the actors and to protect the debugger from actors stopping unexpectedly.			
Get Registry Update Event	Registration Refnum	This VI returns an Event registration refnum for an Actor Framework debugger to use to hear about changes to the available debug information of actors. Every time this event fires, new information from the database is available for the debugger to harvest and display. The event itself does not carry any information to avoid duplicating information in the Event queue.			
Actor Registry	Actor Core Name  Action  Actor ID  Actor ID  Actor Actor ID  Actor Enqueuer  Details  Actor Alias out	No description found (add content in vi description)	O <sup>rt</sup>		
Get Clone Name	Clone Type Clone ID	No description found (add content in vi description)			
TDM Registry	Action Tom Tom Tom ID out Delivery Notifier Details Out Tom Tom ID out Delivery Notifier Details Out Tom ID	No description found (add content in vi description)	O <sup>rt</sup>		
Generate Custom Trace	Custom Action Curtam Trace	Generates a DETT (Desktop Execution Trace Toolkit) User Generated Trace. The trace includes the source actor's ID (or debug alias, if available) and a custom message you define.		₽	
Generate Trace for Dropped Message	Message Name Drapped Ptra	Generates a DETT User Generated Trace for a message object that was sent to an actor but never received because the actor stopped while the message was still in its queue.			

Name	Connector pane	Description	S.	R.	I.
Generate Trace for Message	Receiver Enqueuer Morrage Message Name	Generates a DETT User Generated Trace for a message object being sent.			
Generate Trace for New Actor	Actor Enqueuer  Class Name  Debug Alias	Generates a DETT User Generated Trace for an actor being newly launched.			
Generate Trace for New Time Delayed Message	Caller Details  Delivery Notifier  Message Name	Generates a DETT User Generated Trace for a time-delayed message being created.			
Generate Trace for Received Message	Message Name Actor	Generates a DETT User Generated Trace for a message object being received by an actor.			
Generate Trace for Skipped Time-Delayed Message	Delivery Notifier Skipped Time Delayed	Generates a DETT User Generated Trace for a repeated time-delayed message deliberately skipping one of its instances.			
Generate Trace for Stopped Actor	Actor Enqueuer Stapped Trace	Generates a DETT User Generated Trace for an actor stopping, whether in response to the Stop Msg or an error or its normal termination.			
Generate Trace for Stopped Time-Delayed Message	Delivery Notifier Stapped Time Delayed	Generates a DETT User Generated Trace for a time-delayed message transmitting its final iteration.			

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# 2.2.2. Library Constant VIs

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# Chapter 3. Classes

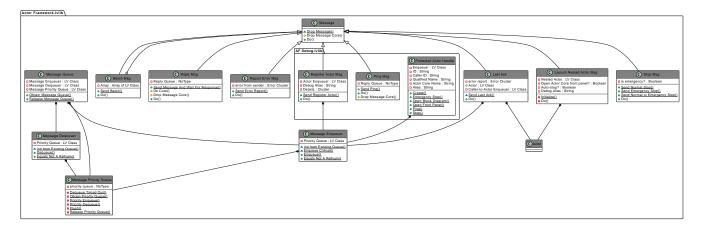
This section describes the classes contained in the project.

# 3.1. Classes overview

This project contains 14 classes and 0 interface.

Table 5. Classes list

Classes	Interfaces
Message.lvclass	
Stop Msg.lvclass	
Batch Msg.lvclass	
Reply Msg.lvclass	
Report Error Msg.lvclass	
Last Ack.lvclass	
Launch Nested Actor Msg.lvclass	
Message Priority Queue.lvclass	
Message Enqueuer.lvclass	
Message Dequeuer.lvclass	
Message Queue.lvclass	
Protected Actor Handle.lvclass	
Ping Msg.lvclass	
Register Actor Msg.lvclass	



# 3.2. Message.lvclass

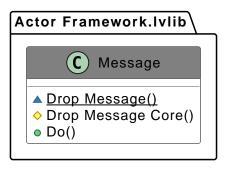
**Responsibility:** Message: <Any Actor> to <Any Actor>

This is the ancestor of all messages. Messages are sent via directed queue from the caller to the

actor or via a separate queue from the actor to the caller. In general, messages should be events along the lines of "you need to know this." They should not, generally, be synchronous requests for information of any kind. For further discussion of this, see comments on "Reply Message.lvclass".

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### **3.2.1. Diagram**



### **3.2.2. Methods**

*Table 6. Functions (non private scope only)* 

Name	Connector pane	Description	s.	R.	I.
Drop Message	Message in >→→→→  ±	(Filename: Actor Framework.lvlib:Message.lvclass:Drop Message.vi) Wrapper for Drop Message Core.vi	σŕ	₽	> □□
Drop Message Core	Message in →→→→→  ⊥	(Filename: Actor Framework.lvlib:Message.lvclass:Drop Message Core.vi)  Defines what a message does if it is in the message queue when the queue is released. At this point, the actor has shut down, so it will never process the message.  By default, this method does nothing. A child class may override it to define behavior. National Instruments provides the Reply Msg class to override this method. This class releases its internal queue, which causes any caller of the Send Message and Wait For Response method to stop waiting and return an error.	of.	S	

Name	Connector pane	Description	S.	R.	I.
Do	Message Actor out Actor in of error in (no error)	(Filename: Actor Framework.lvlib:Message.lvclass:Do.vi)  Defines what a message does when it is received by an actor. Generally, a message instructs an actor to invoke one of its methods. By default, this method does nothing. A child class must override it to define behavior.		N	

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#### 3.2.3. Class Constant VIs

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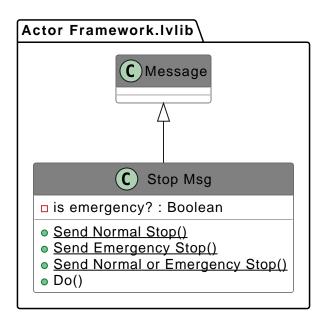
# 3.3. Stop Msg.lvclass

Responsibility: Message: Actor to Actor

When the Stop message is sent, it tells the actor to shutdown. The actor will stop handling further messages. The actor will send a Last Ack.lvclass message back on the queue to its caller. After sending the Stop message, the caller is free to exit and not wait for the Last Ack.

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### 3.3.1. Diagram



# **3.3.2. Methods**

*Table 7. Functions (non private scope only)* 

Name	Connector pane	Description	S.	R.	I.
Send Normal Stop	error in (no error) error out	( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl"&gt;Actor Framework.lvlib:Stop Msg.lvclass:Send Normal Stop.vi)</span 		P	>
		Sends a Stop message to an actor, triggering the actor to run its Stop Core method. This message has normal priority, meaning the actor will process this message after processing high- or normal- priority messages that are in the queue already.			
Send Emergency Stop	error in (no error) error out	( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl"&gt;Actor Framework.lvlib:Stop Msg.lvclass:Send Emergency Stop.vi)</span 		P	>
		Sends an Emergency Stop message to an actor, triggering the actor to shut down as quickly as possible. This message has critical priority, meaning it will be processed before all messages that are already in the queue.			
Send Normal or Emergency Stop	Message Enqueuer final error code rerror in (no error) error out	( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl"&gt;Actor Framework.lvlib:Stop Msg.lvclass:Send Normal or Emergency Stop.vi)</span 		P	>
		Sends a Stop message to an actor. The priority of this message is determined by the value of the <strong>final error code</strong> input. If this input is <span class="Monospace">0</span> , this VI sends the message with normal priority; otherwise, it sends the message with critical priority.			
Do	Stop Msg Actor out Actor in error out	No description found (add content in vi description)		S	

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#### 3.3.3. Class Constant VIs

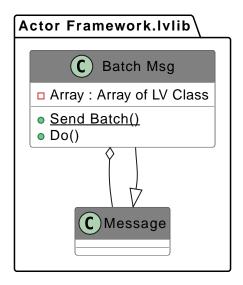
**NOTE** No Constant VIs Found

# 3.4. Batch Msg.lvclass

**Responsibility:** Use this class to aggregate many Messages together as a single Message so that they are all handled atomically, without other messages that may be enqueued from other sources getting interleaved.

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### 3.4.1. Diagram



#### **3.4.2. Methods**

Table 8. Functions (non private scope only)

Name	Connector pane	Description	S.	R.	I.
Do	Batch Message Actor out Actor in Actor in error out	No description found (add content in vi description)		S	

Name	Connector pane	Description	S.	R.	I.
Send Batch	Message Enqueuer  Messages Array  Message Priority (Normal)  error in (no error)	( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl">Actor Framework.lvlib:Batch Msg.lvclass:Send Batch.vi</span> ) Sends multiple messages in a batch to an actor. All messages in the batch are given the same priority. No additional messages of the same priority will be processed by the actor in between the messages in the batch. However, messages with a higher priority than the batch will be processed before the batch itself.			<u>···</u> →

Scope: 

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#### 3.4.3. Class Constant VIs

**NOTE** No Constant VIs Found

# 3.5. Reply Msg.lvclass

Responsibility: Message: <Any Actor> to ???

This is an abstract class. Children must override the Do.vi method.

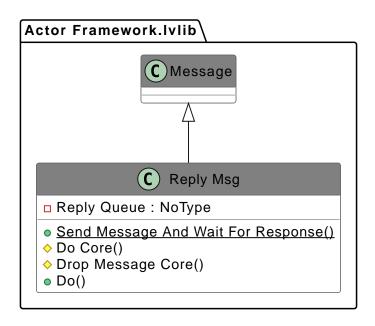
The Reply Message class is sent from caller to actor or from actor to caller. In either case, the sender of the message is going to wait for a synchronous reply from the recipient. The reply is sent using a private one-time-use queue.

Deadlock can occur if one party sends a message and starts waiting for a response and the other party at the same time sends a message and is waiting for a response. In general, avoid using this message class. You can generally redesign your application in one of two ways:

1) Instead of the first VI synchronously fetching data from the second VI, have the second VI send messages to the first VI any time the data in question gets updated. In that way, whenever the first VI needs to use a given value, it already has that value locally and does not need to synchronously fetch it. You may object that this means that there are two copies of the data in the system. This is true, but when you do the fetching of the data, you also create a duplicate. 2) Use a data value reference. This avoids the duplication of data but creates thread contention between the first and second VIs — one VIs execution can be hung waiting for the other VI to finish using the data value reference. Deadlock is also a risk with multiple data value references in the system.

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# 3.5.1. Diagram



### **3.5.2. Methods**

Table 9. Functions (non private scope only)

Name	Connector pane	Description	S.	R.	I.
Do Core	Reply Message Reply Actor in Reply Actor out	(Filename: Actor Framework.lvlib:Reply Msg.lvclass:Do Core.vi)	O <sup>rt</sup>	S	
		Defines what an actor does when it receives <b>Reply Message</b> . This method also defines the <b>Reply</b> that is returned to the actor that sent <b>Reply Message</b> .  By default, this method does nothing, and <b>Reply</b> is the ancestor Message class. A child class must override this method to define behavior and specify a child of the Message class to return in the <b>Reply</b> output.			
Drop Message Core	Reply Msg in →→→→  L	Children of Message should override this method if they have behavior when the Actor receiving this message stops running before the message gets handled.  Predominantly, this is overridden by Reply Message.lvclass in order to tell the waiting caller that there will never be a reply from the callee. This method probably does not need to be overridden by any other class.	O.	N	
Do	Reply Message	No description found (add content in vi description)		S	

Name	Connector pane	Description	S.	R.	I.
Send Message And Wait For Response	Message Enqueuer in Original Message Itimeout in ms (-1) error in (no error)  Message Enqueuer out Message Enqueuer out Tepl timed out? error out	( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl">Actor Framework.lvlib:Reply Msg.lvclass:Send Message And Wait For Response.vi</span> ) Sends a message to an actor and synchronously waits for a response from the actor.		₽	>

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#### 3.5.3. Class Constant VIs

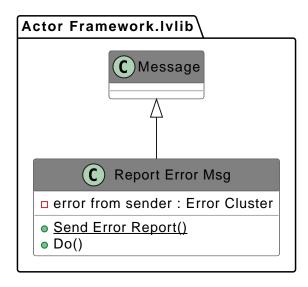
**NOTE** No Constant VIs Found

# 3.6. Report Error Msg.lvclass

**Responsibility:** Use this message class to send an error to an actor. The error will be handled by that actor in its **Handle Error Core.vi**. If the error is not handled there, it will cause the actor to stop running.

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#### 3.6.1. Diagram



#### **3.6.2. Methods**

*Table 10. Functions (non private scope only)* 

Name	Connector pane	Description	s.	R.	I.
Do	Report Error Msg Actor in error in (no error)  Actor in error in (no error)  Actor in error out	(Filename: Actor Framework.lvlib:Message.lvclass:Do.vi)  Defines what a message does when it is received by an actor. Generally, a message instructs an actor to invoke one of its methods.  By default, this method does nothing. A child class must override it to define behavior. Create a child class by using the Actor Framework Message Maker dialog		S	
Send Error Report	Message Enqueuer  Error From Sender  Message Priority (Normal)  error in (no error)	box.  <( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl">Actor Framework.lvlib:Report Error Msg.lvclass:Send Error Report.vi</span> ) <ul><li>Use this VI to send an error to an actor. The error will be handled by the Handle Error VI of the actor. If the error is not handled there, it will cause the actor to stop running.</li></ul>		P	>

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#### 3.6.3. Class Constant VIs

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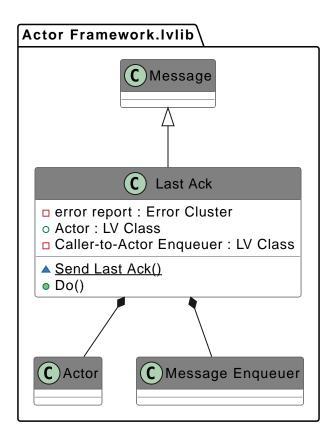
### 3.7. Last Ack.lvclass

**Responsibility:** Message: Actor to Actor

Last Ack stands for "Last Acknowledgement". It is a common term in network communication protocols signifying the very very last message when breaking a connection. In this case, a Last Ack message is sent from the actor to the caller whenever the actor shuts down. This shutdown may be because the actor has finished the work it was created to do, or because it generated an error, or because it received a Stop message. If it was because of an error, the error is recoreded in the Last Ack. The final state of the actor as it exited is also recorded in the Last Ack. The caller may legitimately already have quit when the Last Ack is sent, so any error generated while sending the Last Ack is ignored.

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### **3.7.1. Diagram**



### **3.7.2. Methods**

*Table 11. Functions (non private scope only)* 

Name	Connector pane	Description	s.	R.	I.
Send Last Ack	Message Enqueuer Actor Caller-to-Actor Enqueuer Caller-to-Actor Enque	No description found (add content in vi description)	or.	P	>
Do	Actor in Actor out	No description found (add content in vi description)		S	
Read Actor	Last Ack >>>>>	( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl">Actor Framework.lvlib:Last Ack.lvclass:Read Actor.vi</span> ) Returns the state the actor was in when it shut down.		₽	>
Read Error Report	Last Ack Posses Programmer error report	( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl"&gt;Actor Framework.lvlib:Last Ack.lvclass:Read Error Report.vi) Returns the error, if any, that caused an actor to shut down.</span 		P	>

Name	Connector pane	Description	s.	R.	I.
Read Caller- To-Actor Enqueuer	Last Ack 今日 Caller-to-Actor Enqueuer	( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl"&gt;Actor Framework.lvlib:Last Ack.lvclass:Read Caller-To-Actor Enqueuer.vi) Returns the reference the caller used to</span 			
		send messages to the actor. Although the reference is invalid, you can use it to identify which actor shut down.			

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#### 3.7.3. Class Constant VIs

**NOTE** No Constant VIs Found

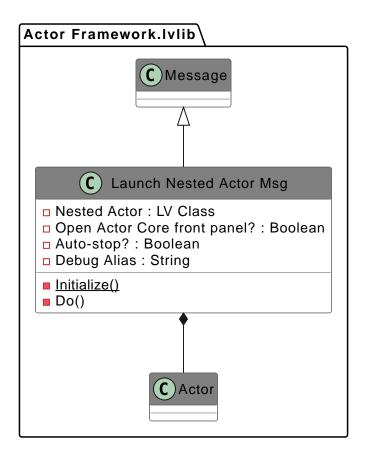
# 3.8. Launch Nested Actor Msg.lvclass

Responsibility: Message: Actor to Actor

Launch Nested Actor Msg is a private message of the Actor Framework. Unlike most message classes, it does not have a member VI for sending the message. The send for this message is instead a member of Actor.lvclass. For further information, please read the help for **Actor.lvclass:Send Launch Nested Actor Msg.vi**.

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#### **3.8.1. Diagram**



#### **3.8.2. Methods**

This library has no functions set to non private scope.

#### 3.8.3. Class Constant VIs

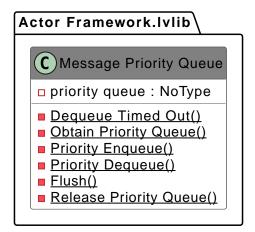
**NOTE** No Constant VIs Found

# 3.9. Message Priority Queue.lvclass

Responsibility: No description found (add content in lvclass description)

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### **3.9.1. Diagram**



#### **3.9.2. Methods**

This library has no functions set to non private scope.

#### 3.9.3. Class Constant VIs

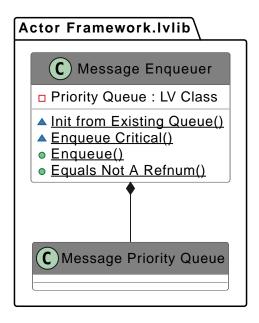
**NOTE** No Constant VIs Found

# 3.10. Message Enqueuer.lvclass

**Responsibility:** No description found (add content in lvclass description)

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#### **3.10.1. Diagram**



#### 3.10.2. Methods

*Table 12. Functions (non private scope only)* 

Name	Connector pane	Description	S.	R.	I.
Init from Existing Queue	Priority Queue     Deb   Message Enqueuer   Deb   Priority Queue   Priorit	No description found (add content in vi description)	o <sup>r</sup>	P	>
Enqueue Critical	Message Enqueuer in Message Enqueuer out  Message of Page error out  error in (no error)	No description found (add content in vi description)	ο^•	P	>
Enqueue	Message Enqueuer in ———————————————————————————————————	( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl"&gt;Actor Framework.lvlib:Message Enqueuer.lvclass:Enqueue.vi) Sends a message.</span 		P	<b>⇒</b>
Equals Not A Refnum	Message Enqueuer ··································	( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl">Actor Framework.lvlib:Message Enqueuer.lvclass:Equals Not A Refnum.vi</span> ) Checks whether a message enqueuer reference is equal to Not a Refnum. Unlike the <a href="nihelplauncher://docs/csh?context=l vcore_glang_not_a_number_path_refnum">Not a Number/Path/Refnum?</a> function, this function does not check whether a non-zero reference still is valid. Refer to the detailed help for more information.			

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### 3.10.3. Class Constant VIs

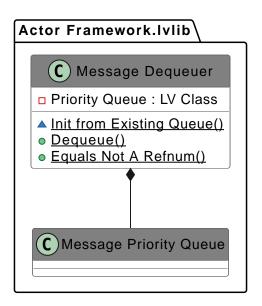
**NOTE** No Constant VIs Found

# 3.11. Message Dequeuer.lvclass

Responsibility: No description found (add content in lvclass description)

**Version:** 1.0.0.0

# **3.11.1. Diagram**



### **3.11.2. Methods**

Table 13. Functions (non private scope only)

Name	Connector pane	Description	S.	R.	I.
Init from Existing Queue	Priority Queue	No description found (add content in vi description)	o*	P	>
Dequeue	Message Dequeuer in timeout in ms (-1)	( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl">Actor Framework.lvlib:Message Dequeuer.lvclass:Dequeue.vi</span> ) Reads a message that a top-level actor sent to its caller. Use this VI to interact with non-actor code, not in a VI that belongs to an actor.		P	

Name	Connector pane	Description	s.	R.	I.
Equals Not A Refnum	Message Dequeuer William Not a refnum?	class="dnl">Actor		P	>
		Framework.lvlib:Message			
		Dequeuer.lvclass:Equals Not A Refnum.vi)			
		Checks whether a message dequeuer reference is equal to Not a Refnum. Unlike the <a< p=""></a<>			
		href="nihelplauncher://docs/csh?context=l vcore_glang_not_a_number_path_refnum" >Not a Number/Path/Refnum?			
		function, this function does not check whether a non-zero reference still is valid. Refer to the detailed help for more			
		information.			

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### 3.11.3. Class Constant VIs

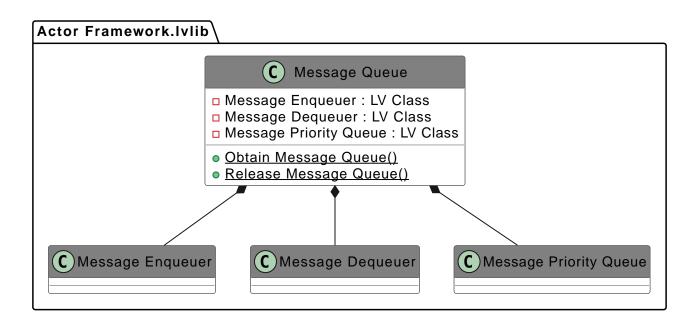
**NOTE** No Constant VIs Found

# 3.12. Message Queue.lvclass

Responsibility: No description found (add content in lvclass description)

**Version:** 1.0.0.2

### **3.12.1. Diagram**



#### 3.12.2. Methods

Table 14. Functions (non private scope only)

Name	Connector pane	Description	S.	R.	I.
Obtain Message Queue	error in (no error)  *  error out	( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl">Actor Framework.lvlib:Message Queue.lvclass:Obtain Message Queue.vi</span> ) Obtains the reference to the message queue that the caller uses to communicate with the top-level actor.			
Read Dequeuer	Message Queue Message Dequeuer	<pre>&lt;(<strong>Filename</strong>: <span class="dnl">Actor Framework.lvlib:Message Queue.lvclass:Read Dequeuer.vi</span>) Extracts the reference needed to read messages from the top-level actor. Use the <a href="nihelplauncher://docs/csh?context=l vcore_lvcomm_af_obtain_message_q">Obt ain Message Queue</a> method to obtain the <strong>Message Queue</strong> input.</pre>			

Connector pane	Description	s.	R.	I.
Message Queue Message Enqueuer	( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl">Actor Framework.lvlib:Message Queue.lvclass:Read Enqueuer.vi</span> ) Extracts the reference needed to send messages to the top-level actor. Use the <a href="nihelplauncher://docs/csh?context=l vcore_lvcomm_af_obtain_message_q">Obt ain Message Queue</a> method to obtain the <strong>Message Queue</strong>		P	
Message Queue XX OCCOO remaining elements error in (no error) X	<pre>input. (<strong>Filename</strong>: <span class="dnl">Actor Framework.lvlib:Message Queue.lvclass:Release Message Queue.vi</span>) Releases the reference to a message queue. Use the <a href="nihelplauncher://docs/csh?context=l">href="nihelplauncher://docs/csh?context=l</a></pre>			
	Message Queue Message Enqueuer	Message Queue   Message Enqueue   Class="dnl">Actor   Framework.lvlib:Message   Queue.lvclass:Read   Enqueuer.vi   Specific   Span>   Class="dnl">Actor   Framework.lvlib:Message   Queue.lvclass:Read   Enqueuer.vi   Specific   Span>   Span>   Class="dnl">Actor   Actor   Class="dnl">Actor   Actor   Class="dnl">Actor   Actor   Class="dnl">Actor   Actor   Actor   Class="dnl">Actor   Actor   Actor   Class="dnl">Actor   Actor   Actor	Message Queue   Message Enqueuer   Sp>( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl">Actor   Framework.lvlib:Message   Queue.lvclass:Read   Enqueuer.vi</span> )   Sp>Extracts the reference needed to send   messages to the top-level actor.   Sp>Use the <a href="nihelplauncher://docs/csh?context=1"  ="">href="nihelplauncher://docs/csh?context=1"&gt;href="nihelplaunch</a>	Sessage Queue   Sessage Enqueue   Sp>( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl">Actor Framework.lvlib:Message Queue.lvclass:Read Enqueuer.vi</span> )   Sp>Extracts the reference needed to send messages to the top-level actor.   Sp>Use the <a href="nihelplauncher://docs/csh?context=1">href="nihelplauncher://docs/csh?context=1"&gt;href="nihelplauncher://docs/c</a>

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#### 3.12.3. Class Constant VIs

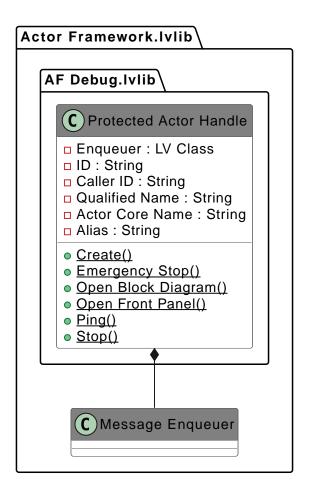
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# 3.13. Protected Actor Handle.lvclass

**Responsibility:** An object of this class wraps access to an actor in order to limit a debugger's ability to interfere with the operation of the actors and to protect the debugger from actors stopping

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### 3.13.1. Diagram



### 3.13.2. Methods

*Table 15. Functions (non private scope only)* 

Name	Connector pane	Description	s.	R.	I.
Create	This Actor *** ** error out	Given the information about an actor, provided by the debug layer of the Actor Framework, this VI creates an actor handle that an attached debugger can use for limited manipulation of the running actor.			
Emergency Stop	Protected Actor Handle in Second Actor Handle	Sends the Stop Msg to the actor with emergency priority.			
Open Block Diagram	Protected Actor Handle in School [Aster]  Spring Sp	Opens the block diagram of the running actor's Actor Core clone VI.			
Open Front Panel	Protected Actor Handle in School	Opens the front panel of the running actor's Actor Core clone VI.			

Name	Connector pane	Description	S.	R.	I.
Ping	Protected Actor Handle in timed out? timed out? timed time out in ms (5000) time out in ms (5000) time out in ms (5000) time out? timed out? delay in seconds error in (no error) actor quit before receiving	Sends the Ping Msg to the actor and waits for a reply to know how long the ping took to arrive. Use this VI in a debugger to test whether the actor is still alive.			
Read Details	Protected Actor Handle in School Faculty Actor Details	Reads identification information about the actor, useful for display in a debugger.		P	>
Stop	error in (no error) error out	Sends the Stop Msg to the actor with normal priority.			

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#### 3.13.3. Class Constant VIs

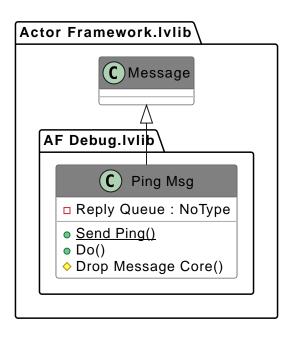
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# 3.14. Ping Msg.lvclass

**Responsibility:** This message can be sent to any actor. It is a synchronous message: the Send method will not return until the message is received by the actor. When the message is received, the time between send and receive is computed using the high-resolution timer.

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### **3.14.1. Diagram**



### **3.14.2. Methods**

*Table 16. Functions (non private scope only)* 

Name	Connector pane	Description	S.	R.	I.
Send Ping	Message Enqueuer out timed out? error in (no error)  Message Enqueuer out timed out? delay in seconds error out actor quit before receiving	This VI sends a synchronous message to any actor. This VI outputs the time delay between sending the message and the actor receiving the message (computed using the high-resolution timer). Delay will be zero if there is an error. Errors occur only if the actor has already quit before the ping is sent or if LabVIEW runs out of memory.		P	>
Do	Ping Msg Posson Actor out Actor in serior in (no error)	This VI delivers the Ping Msg to any actor. This VI does not invoke any methods on the actor. It simply returns to the sender the time delay (using the high-resolution timer) between the send and the receive of the message.	the time delay sage and the ge (computed timer). Delay will r. Errors occur dy quit before the runs out of  Msg to any actor. my methods on as to the sender high-resolution and the receive of  elevelass:Drop  loes if it is in the queue is a actor has shut cess the message.  Des nothing. A to define ments provides erride this es its internal caller of the Send	5	
Drop Message Core	Ping Msg in →→→→→  ±	(Filename: Actor Framework.lvlib:Message.lvclass:Drop Message Core.vi)  Defines what a message does if it is in the message queue when the queue is released. At this point, the actor has shut down, so it will never process the message.  By default, this method does nothing. A child class may override it to define behavior. National Instruments provides the Reply Msg class to override this method. This class releases its internal queue, which causes any caller of the Send Message and Wait For Response method to stop waiting and return an error.	or ·	S	

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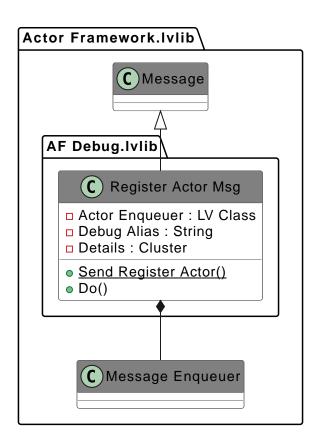
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# 3.15. Register Actor Msg.lvclass

**Responsibility:** This message is sent to an actor as it is launching, before Pre-Launch Init even has a chance to execute. It will cause the Actor Core to register its clone number with the debugging tools, which will allow the debugger to perform operations such as opening the actor's block diagram.

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### 3.15.1. **Diagram**



#### **3.15.2. Methods**

*Table 17. Functions (non private scope only)* 

Name	Connector pane	Description	s.	R.	I.
Send Register Actor	Message Enqueuer out Debug Alias Details Details error in (no error)  Message Enqueuer out Respire Res	This VI sends the message to any actor to tell that actor to register its Actor Core clone name with the debugging tools.		P	·>
Do	Actor in degree error in (no error)	This VI delivers the Registration message to the actor. Unlike most messages, it does NOT invoke a method on the actor class.		S	

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# 3.15.3. Class Constant VIs

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# Chapter 4. Actors (AF)

This section describes AF framework usage in the project

### 4.1. Preamble

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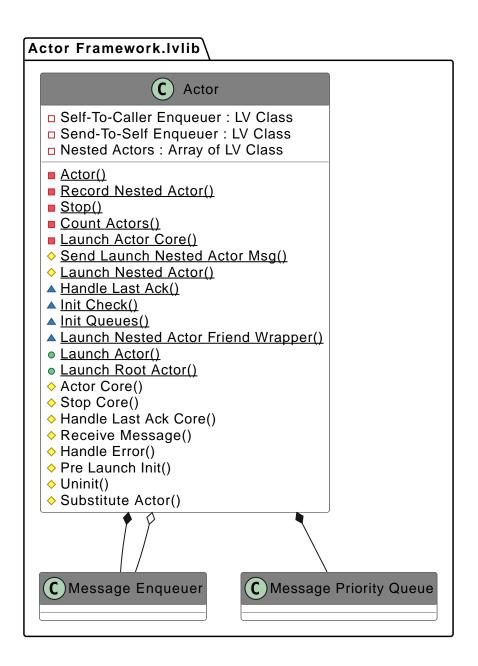
# 4.2. Actors overview

### 4.3. Actor.lvclass

**Responsibility:** This class serves as the base class for an independently running actor. The caller VI launches the actor using Launch Actor.vi and thereafter communicates with the actor using a pair of queues — one for messages to the actor, the other for messages from the actor. These messages are all derived from the Message.lvclass. Actor.lvclass provides mechanism for launching and establishing communications. In general, a programmer will create new classes that inherit from Actor.lvclass that are dedicated to specific purposes.

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### 4.3.1. Diagram



#### **4.3.2.** Methods

*Table 18. Functions (non private scope only)* 

Name	Connector pane	Description	s.	R.	I.
Actor Core	Actor in People & People Actor out error in error out	(Filename: Actor Framework.lvlib:Actor.lvclass:Actor Core.vi)  Receives messages to the actor, reacts to them, and initiates any error handling that may shut the actor down.  Descendant classes may override this VI to	or.	N	
		append parallel tasks for the actor to complete while it handles messages.  Overrides use the Call Parent Class Method node.			

Name	Connector pane	Description	s.	R.	I.
Stop Core    Actor in   Defines what Use the final determine what use the final determine what response to at this method to such as shutting actor initiated. Core method.    Handle Last Ack Core   Actor out to such as shutting actor initiated. Core method. The Last Ack Core.   Performed the Last Ack and an ested actor.		( <b>Filename</b> : Actor Framework.lvlib:Actor.lvclass:Stop Core.vi)	o <sup>r</sup>	S	
	Defines what the actor does before it stops. Use the <b>final error code</b> input to determine whether the actor shut down in response to an error.				
		By default, this method passes the Stop message along to all auto-stop nested actors. A descendant class may override this method to define additional behavior, such as shutting down any processes the actor initiated in its override of the Actor Core method.			
	Last Ack → ✓→	( <b>Filename</b> : Actor Framework.lvlib:Actor.lvclass:Handle Last Ack Core.vi)	O.	S	
		Defines how the caller actor responds to the Last Ack message from a nested actor. The Last Ack message is the final message a nested actor sends to its caller before it shuts down. The message contains information about the final state of the nested actor.			
	Use the final error code input to determine whether the actor shut down is response to an error.  By default, this method passes the Stop message along to all auto-stop nested actors. A descendant class may override this method to define additional behavior such as shutting down any processes the actor initiated in its override of the Actor Core method.  Core  Actor in the serior out this method to define additional behavior such as shutting down any processes the actor initiated in its override of the Actor Core method.  (Filename: Actor Framework.lvlib:Actor.lvclass:Handle Las Ack Core.vi)  Defines how the caller actor responds to the Last Ack message from a nested actor. The Last Ack message is the final message a nested actor sends to its caller before it shuts down. The message contains information about the final state of the nested actor.  By default, this method does nothing except return any error the nested actor sent. A descendant class may override thi method to define behavior.  Core removed. The last Ack Transpersion of the actor to send messages to itself. The possible Actor Pramework. The Pramework. The process of the actor to send messages to itself. The actor is send messag				
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		class="dnl">Actor Framework.lvlib:Actor.lvclass:Read Caller	ď	P	<del>&gt;</del>
		Returns the reference the actor needs to send messages to its caller.			

Name	Connector pane	Description	S.	R.	I.
Read Autostop Nested Actor Count	Actor in Seese Count	( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl"&gt;Actor Framework.lvlib:Actor.lvclass:Read Autostop Nested Actor Count.vi)</span 	ď		
		Returns the number of auto-stop nested actors that were launched by an actor but have not yet sent back their Last Ack messages. Use this VI to detect whether all nested actors have finished working.			
Receive Message	Message in Actor out Actor in error out priority	This VI should be overriden ONLY if you are creating a proxy actor for remote transmission. If you are, override this VI to transmit the received message to a new destination, maintaining the given priority.	o <sup>r</sup>	5	
Handle Error	Actor in Actor out  error in (no error)  error out  error out	(Filename: Actor Framework.lvlib:Actor.lvclass:Handle Error.vi)  Defines how the actor handles an error that occurred while processing a message. By default, this method does nothing except stop the actor.	or		
Pre Launch Init	Actor in >>>>>> Actor out ***********************************	(Filename: Actor Framework.lvlib:Actor.lvclass:Pre Launch Init.vi)  Defines behavior that occurs after the Launch Nested Actor method is invoked but before the actor's Actor Core method begins running.  By default, this method does nothing. A descendant class may override it to define behavior.	O.	<b>E</b>	

Name	Connector pane	Description	S.	R.	I.
Uninit	Actor in seeses Actor out	This method is the inverse of the Pre	or.		
	ф×	Launch Init.vi. This method is called			
		unconditionally at the end of an actor's			
		lifetime, even if there was an error in Pre	or.		
		Launch Init.vi. Note that the self Enqueuer			
		for the actor is already invalid by the time			
		this VI executes: within this method, the			
		actor may send messages to its caller but			
		not to itself. This method executes before			
		Last Ack is sent.			
		This method neither receives nor produces			
		an error cluster. It is designed to provide			
		an unconditional release of acquired			
		resources. Any error raised during release			
		is considered to be irrelevant to the actor's			
		lifetime. If the actor truly needs to report			
	some error status, it may send a message t				
		caller or include information within itself			
		that callers can examine when handling			
		Last Ack.			

Name	Connector pane	Description	S.	R.	I.
Substitute Actor	Stitute  This method copies information from the Current Actor to the Substitute Actor, including the to-self and the to-caller queue references. The purpose of this function is to allow an actor to define a method that replaces itself with another actor, useful for implementing a State Pattern Actor. Child classes should override this method to copy any additional fields that they need from the current to the substitute.  This method may return error code 678010: Illegal substitution. Overrides of this method may choose to return this error if the new actor is not one that is an appropriate substitute for the current actor, for whatever standards of "appropriate" are chosen for the current actor. If returning an error, override VIs should return the unmodified Current Actor as Substitute Actor out.  Actor as Substitute Actor out.  Actor as Substitute Actor labeled Actor Framework.lvlib:Actor.lvclass:Send	O.	S		
		Current Actor to the Substitute Actor, including the to-self and the to-caller queue references. The purpose of this function is to allow an actor to define a method that replaces itself with another actor, useful for implementing a State Pattern Actor. Child classes should override this method to copy any additional fields that they need from the			
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Send Launch Nested Actor Msg	Self Enqueuer in Self Enqueuer out  Nested Actor error out  Auto-stop? (T)	class="dnl">Actor	or.		

Name	Connector pane	Description	s.	R.	I.
Launch Nested Actor	Caller Actor in Special Caller Actor out  Nested Actor Special Caller Actor out  English Special Caller Actor out  Nested Actor Special	( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl"&gt;Actor Framework.lvlib:Actor.lvclass:Launch Nested Actor.vi)</span 	o <sup>r</sup>		
		Launches an asynchronously running VI that performs tasks and handles messages for the <strong>Nested Actor</strong> . Use this VI to launch actors that are dependent on one or more calling actors. This VI returns a reference to the enqueuer that you can use to send messages to the newly launched actor.			
		This VI requires the <strong>Caller Actor in</strong> input to call the <strong>Nested Actor</strong> . This VI will return an error if the <strong>Caller Actor in</strong> has not already been launched itself. Use the <a href="nihelplauncher://docs/csh?context=l vcore_lvcomm_af_launch_root_actor">Lau nch Root Actor VI</a> for launching an actor without a caller.			
Handle Last Ack	Actor in Second Second Actor out Last Ackes Actor out error in (no error)	(Filename: Actor Framework.lvlib:Actor.lvclass:Handle Last Ack.vi)  This VI is a wrapper around Handle Last Ack Core.vi. This wrapper is invoked by the Do method of the Last Ack class.	or.	₽	
Init Check	Actor in Research Not initialized?	No description found (add content in vi description)	<b>ი</b> *	P	> >
Init Queues	Actor in Seese Actor out Self-ToSelf	No description found (add content in vi description)	<b>ი</b> *	P	>
Launch Nested Actor Friend Wrapper	Caller Actor in Second Caller Actor out Nested Actor	(Filename: Actor Framework.lvlib:Actor.lvclass:Launch Nested Actor Friend Wrapper.vi)  This VI is a community-scoped wrapper around Actor Framework.lvlib:Actor.lvclass:Launch Nested Actor.vi. It is a behind-the-scenes component of the Actor Framework.	O.	₽	<b>⇒</b>

Name	Connector pane	Description	s.	R.	I.
Launch Actor	Actor-to-Caller Enqueuer error in (no error)  Debug Alias  Actor-to-Caller Enqueuer error out  Debug Alias	LabVIEW no longer supports this VI. Use the Actor:Launch Root Actor VI or Actor:Launch Nested Actor VI instead. Launches a top-level VI that handles messages for an actor and starts this actor's tasks. This VI returns a reference to the queue you use to send messages to the actor.  This VI requires the Actor-to-Caller Enqueuer input, which is the reference that allows the launched actor to communicate with the caller. If you are launching the top-level actor, use the Read Enqueuer method to obtain this reference. If you are launching a nested actor, use the Read Self Enqueuer method instead.			
Launch Root Actor	Actor seems Actor's Enqueuer error in (no error)  Debug Alias	( <strong>Filename</strong> : <span class="dnl">Actor Framework.lvlib:Actor.lvclass:Launch Root Actor.vi</span> ) Launches an asynchronously running VI that performs tasks and handles messages for the <strong>Actor</strong> . This VI returns a reference to an enqueuer that you can use to send messages to the newly launched actor. The Launch Root Actor VI launches the <strong>Actor</strong> without a caller. Use this VI to launch the root actor of the actor tree. Use the <a href="nihelplauncher://docs/csh?context=1">href="nihelplauncher://docs/csh?context=1"&gt;href="nihelplauncher://docs/csh?conte</a>			

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