

Pi Toolbox - Cosworth Electronics

Start-up Manual

This document intends to provide the basics of Pi Toolbox and is aimed at new users.



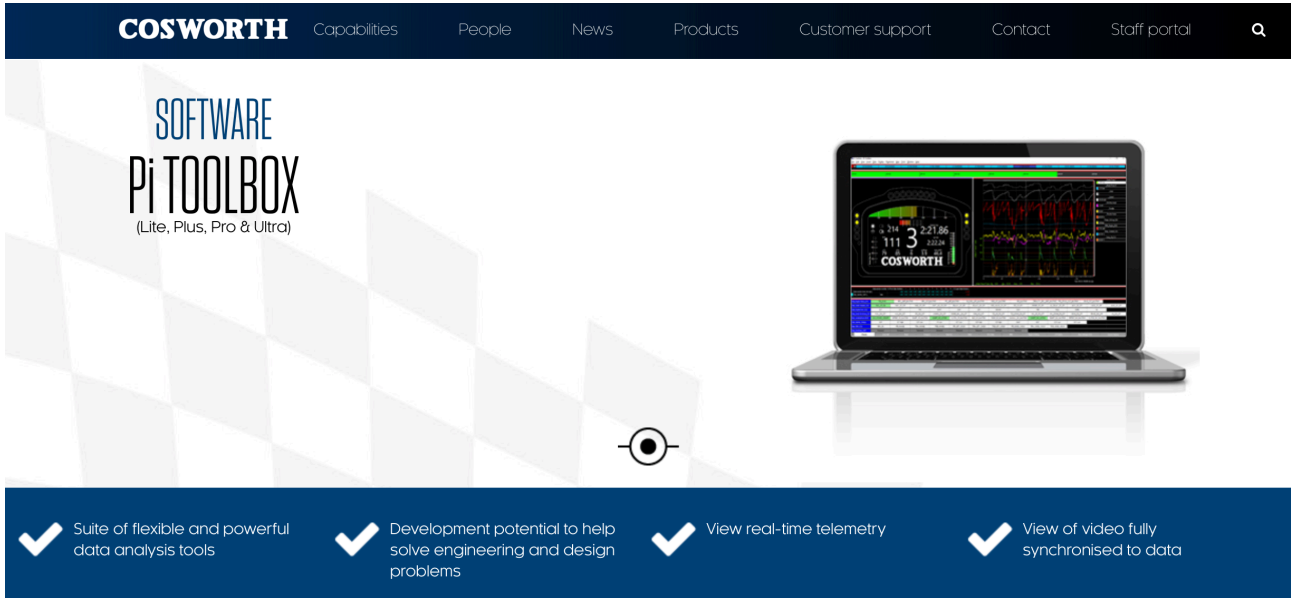
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1. Installation

The latest version of Pi Toolbox can be downloaded from the Cosworth website along with other Motorsport software. <https://www.cosworth.com/products/toolbox/?cat=software>



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SOFTWARE
Pi TOOLBOX
(Lite, Plus, Pro & Ultra)

View real-time telemetry

- ✓ Suite of flexible and powerful data analysis tools
- ✓ Development potential to help solve engineering and design problems
- ✓ View real-time telemetry
- ✓ View of video fully synchronised to data

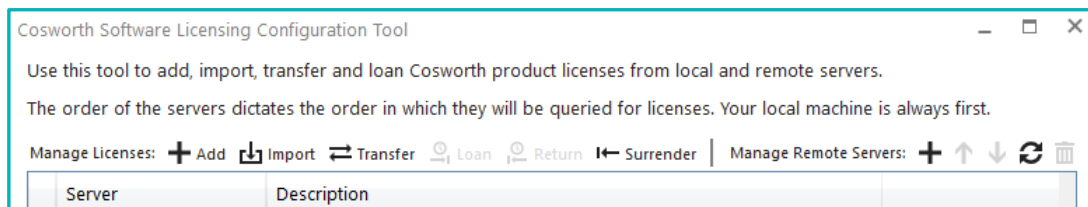
Supported Operating Systems

Microsoft Windows 10 (32 or 64-bit)

2. Licensing

2.1 Configuring a Pi Toolbox License

Licensing for Pi Toolbox is configured from the Cosworth Software Licensing Configuration Tool. This is accessed from Pi Toolbox: **Help > Configure Licensing**.



If you have purchased a Plus, Pro or Ultra License you will have been sent a Product Key by Cosworth, which can be added to Pi Toolbox by clicking the **+ Add** button in the Cosworth Software License Configuration Tool. This is also true for the Lite version, please see below.

Paste the Product Key into the box and click 'Add' and your license will be activated to use in Pi Toolbox.

Alternatively, if you have not purchased a Pi Toolbox license, a free 'Lite' license can be requested from the Cosworth website, and added to Toolbox using the same steps as above.

To request a Lite license, follow this link and enter your details in the box shown below:


<https://www.cosworth.com/products/toolbox/?cat=software>

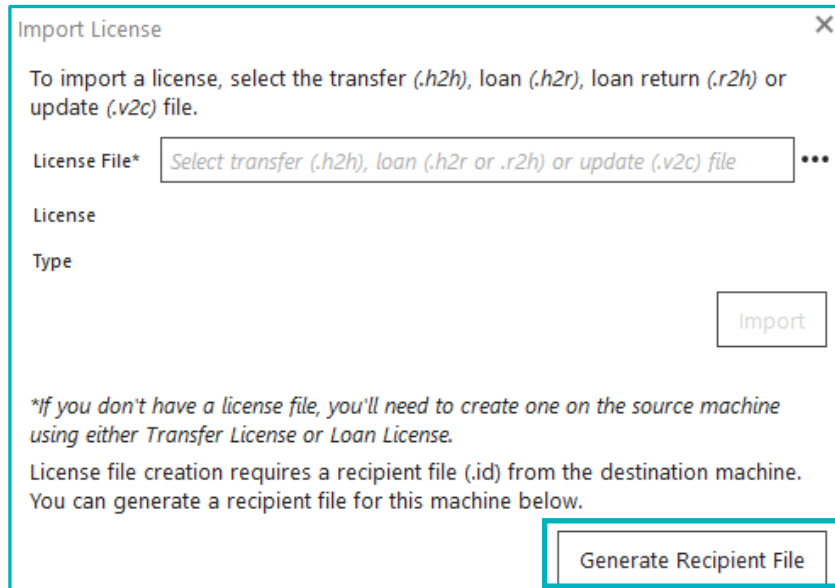
If you would like to purchase a Plus, Pro or Ultra License, or would like more information about the licenses available, please contact sales@cosworth.com

2.2 Transferring a Pi Toolbox License between computers


It is possible to transfer Licenses between different computers. The license can only be used on one computer at a time.

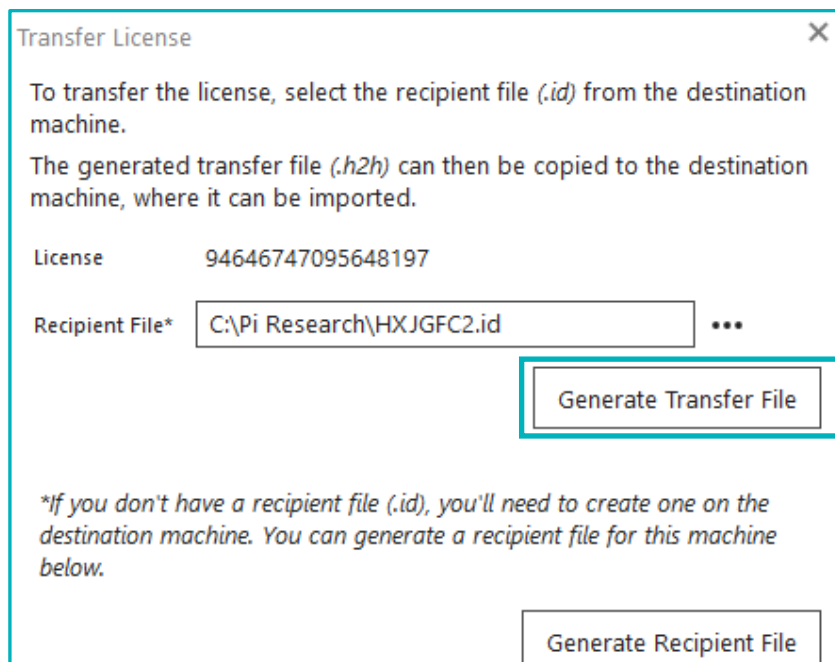
The first step is to generate a recipient file on the PC the license is being transferred to:

- Click on the Import button  **Import** in the Cosworth Software Licensing Configuration Tool.
- Click 'Generate Recipient File' to create a .id file.
- Save this on to a USB stick and move this over to the PC which has the license on it.




Next transfer the license to the recipient file that was generated:

- Click the Transfer  **Transfer** button in the Cosworth Software Licensing Configuration Tool on the computer which has the license on and pick the Recipient File .id on the USB Stick.
- Click the 'Generate Transfer File' button and save this .h2h file on to the USB stick.



Import the license on the PC the license is being transferred to:

- On the PC the license is being transferred to, click the Import  Import button in Cosworth Software Licensing Configuration Tool.
- Find the .h2h file on the USB stick and click import.

Import License

To import a license, select the transfer (.h2h), loan (.h2r), loan return (.r2h) or update (.v2c) file.

License File*

License

Type


**If you don't have a license file, you'll need to create one on the source machine using either Transfer License or Loan License.*

License file creation requires a recipient file (.id) from the destination machine. You can generate a recipient file for this machine below.




3. Getting Started

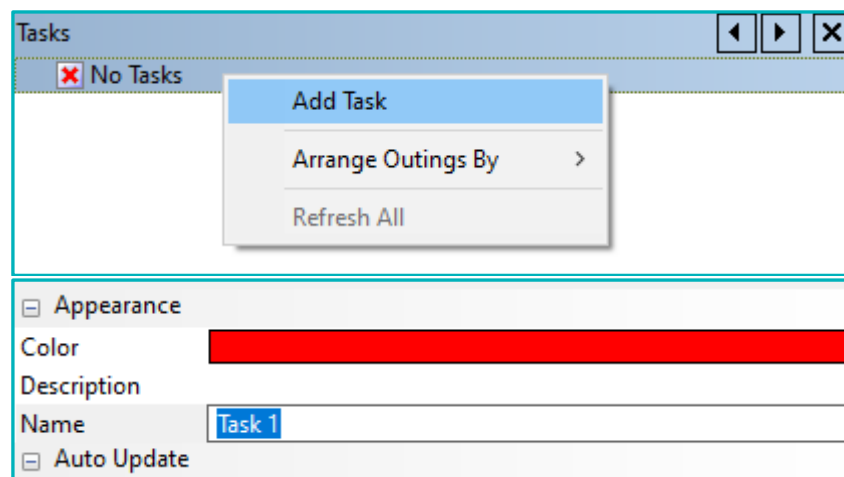
3.1 Quick Start Guide

The Quick Start Guide is to help new users quickly create displays and plot data.

When Pi Toolbox is first opened, a default Worksheet is provided with a single Task included. However, the following steps assume that you are starting with an empty Worksheet. To open an empty worksheet, click the new button () on the toolbar.

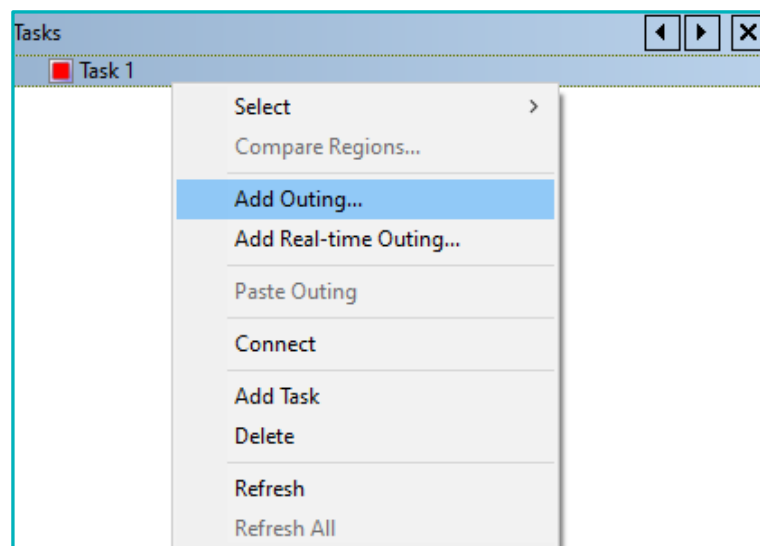
3.1.1 Create a Task

Go to the task window of the Explorer ( + ) and select:  > **Add Task**. Name the task by double-clicking 'Name' in the Details pane and overtyping the default name. Press Enter or click away from the edit box to accept the name.



3.1.2 Load an Outing


Highlight the task and select:  > **Add Outing**. Browse for a PDS (Pi Dataset) in the Load outing dialog.

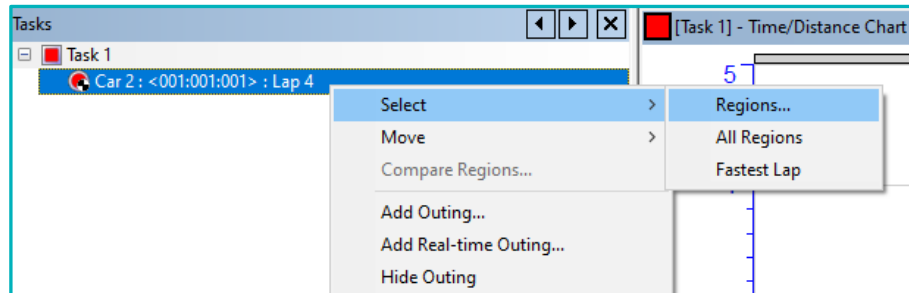


3.1.3 Select Laps

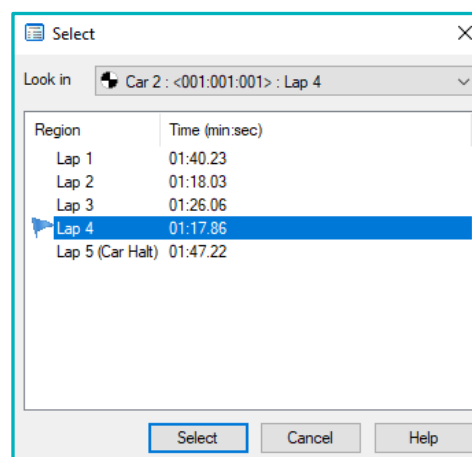
When an outing is initially connected to a task, the data from the fastest lap of the outing is loaded.

Highlight the outing whose laps are selected.





Select:  > **Select** and choose **Regions** to open the Select dialog (Alternatively double-click the outing or press Enter).




The Select dialog lists all the laps contained in the outing. Select the required lap or laps.



To highlight a group of laps: Click the first in the group, then Shift + click the last. Click Select.


Alternatively, you can choose to select all laps with the **All Regions** ( + ) option or the fastest lap with the **Fastest Lap** ( + ) option.

3.1.4 Add a display to a worksheet

Click the Insert Display button () on the toolbar and select a display type from the list. Note that this button remembers the last display type added and shows the appropriate icon.

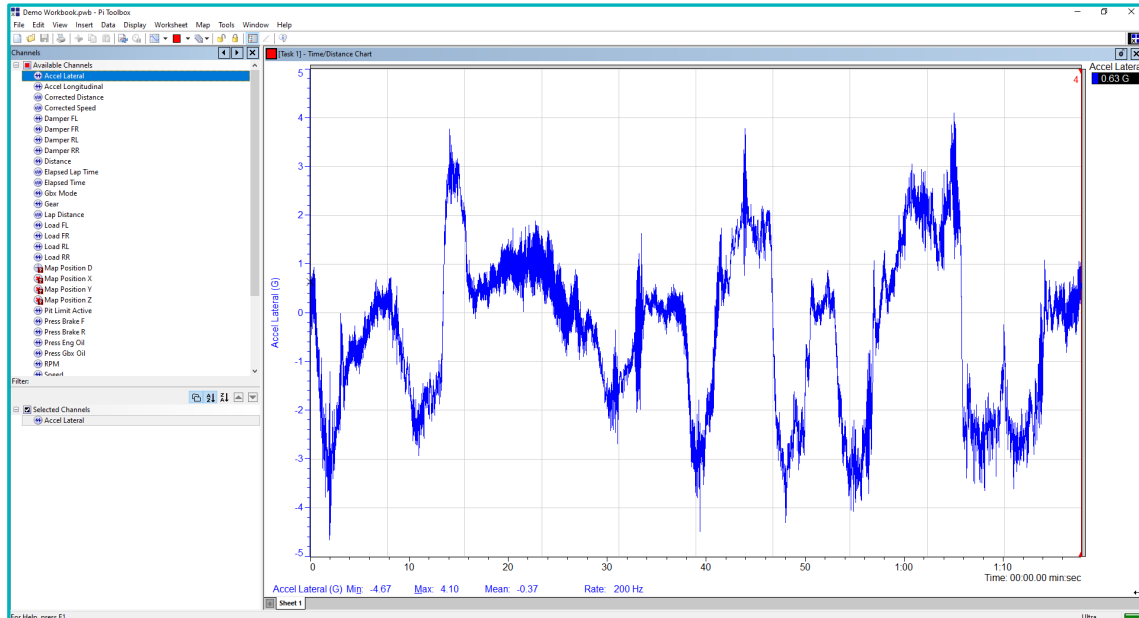
3.1.5 Connect the display to a task

In order for the display to plot data, it must be connected (or associated) to a task.

To do this click the 'No Task' icon () in the top left of the display title bar and from the dropdown list of available tasks, choose the task you have created.

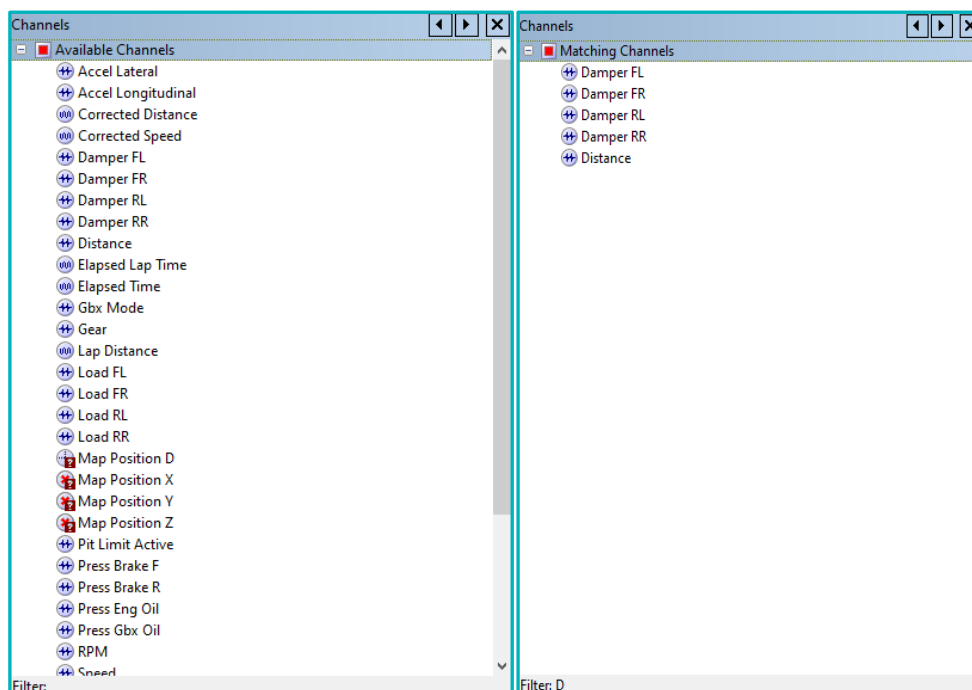
3.1.6 Select channels to display

Go to the Channels Explorer - press **Alt** + **2** - to see the channels in the outing. With your display in focus, double-click the channels that you want to appear. The channels selected will appear in the lower pane of the Explorer and the data will appear on the display.



In the Channels Explorer, all channels associated with the outing dataset loaded, are listed in the Available Channels list.

To apply a filter to the list of Channels, with the Explorer in focus, type in the first letter of the channels you are interested in. Typing more characters filters the list more.



To remove a filter character press 'Backspace'. To remove the filter press 'Esc'. More advanced filters can be applied by using a mix of normal and wildcard characters.

Wildcard characters:

* Any character or group of characters ? Single character ?? Two characters etc.

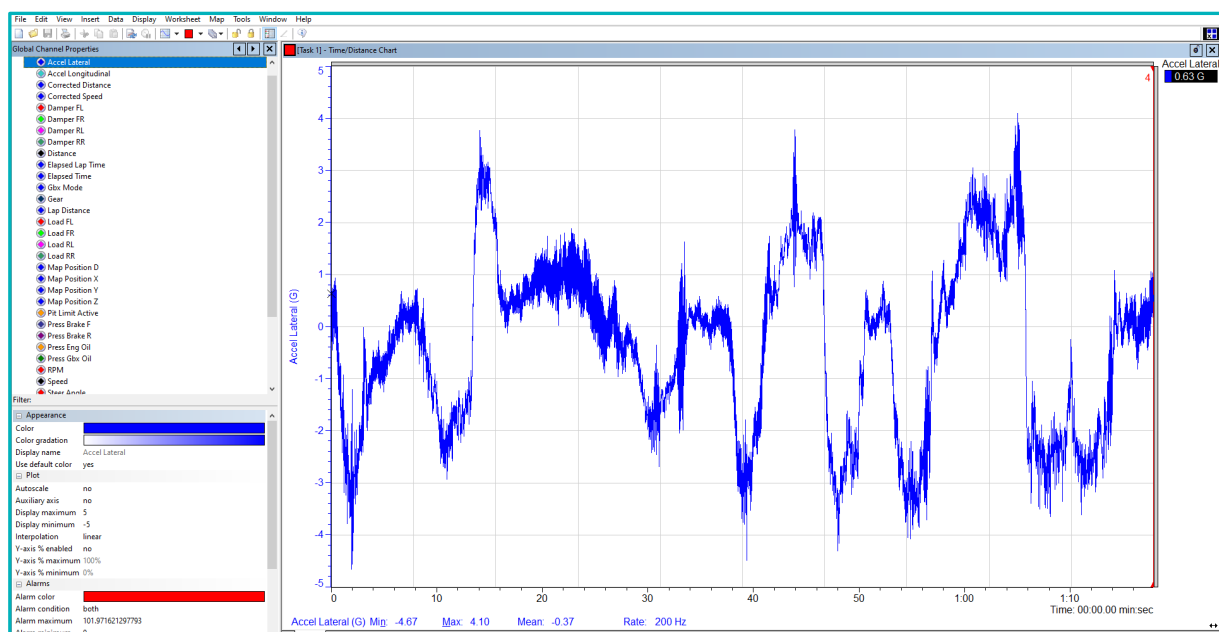
To enter a wildcard character press **Ctrl** + **↑** + ***** or **Ctrl** + **↑** + **?**

<p>Filter: TE</p> <p>Comments: Finds channels beginning 'TE' and channels with first word starting with 'T' and second word starting with 'E'. 'TEW' would find Temp Engine Water.</p> <p>Results: Temp Brake FL, Temp Brake FR, Temp Brake RL, Temp Brake RR, Temp Clutch, TH Error, Etc.</p>	<p>Filter: C*E</p> <p>Comments: Finds channels beginning with 'C' and ending with 'E'.</p> <p>Result: CF Status.CLF Mode, CL Last Event Code, CL Override, CL Press Line, Corrected Distance, CR Status.Cruise Etc.</p>	<p>Filter: *LAP*</p> <p>Comments: Finds channels with 'Lap' anywhere in the name.</p> <p>Result: Elapsed Lap Time, Elapsed Time, Lap Distance Etc.</p>	<p>Filter: ?????</p> <p>Comments: Finds channels of 5 characters long.</p> <p>Result: EN RPM, G Long, G Vert Etc.</p>	<p>Filter: Damper??</p> <p>Comments: Finds channels that start with the word Damper, and are followed by two characters.</p> <p>Result: Damper FL, Damper FM, Damper FR, Damper RL, Damper RM, Damper RR Etc.</p>
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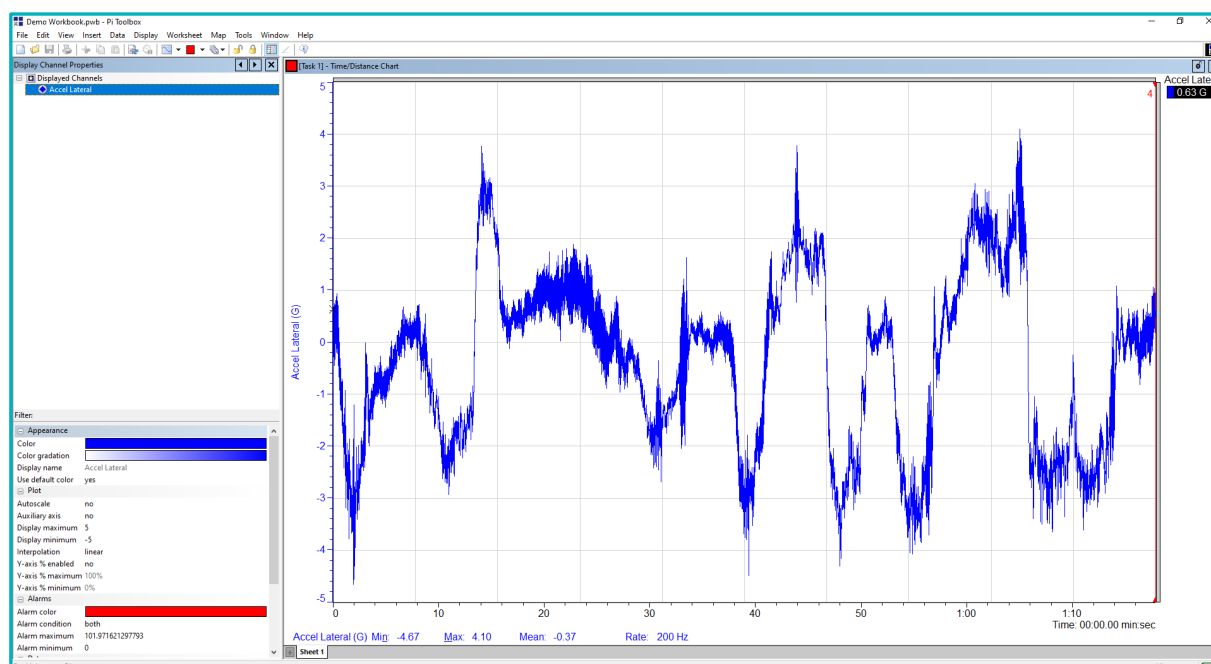
3.1.7 Changing Channel Properties

The Channel properties explorer - press **Alt** + **3** - is used to view and edit channel properties, which affect how a channel's data will be plotted on the display. As with the Channel Explorer, channel groups appear at the top of the pane.

In the Global Channel Properties explorer, all available channels and groups are in view. Properties edited here affect the whole Workbook, not just the display in focus.




In Display Channel Properties explorer, only those channels that are being displayed by the active display are in view. Properties edited here, will only affect the display in focus, overriding those set for the Workbook in the Global Channel Properties explorer.



3.1.8 Saving and opening a workbook

A Workbook layout can be saved using the  button or **File > Save / Save As**.

A saved Workbook can then be opened and used again when Toolbox is restarted. To open a saved Workbook, click the  button and browse to the location where the Workbook was saved.

3.2 The Explorer

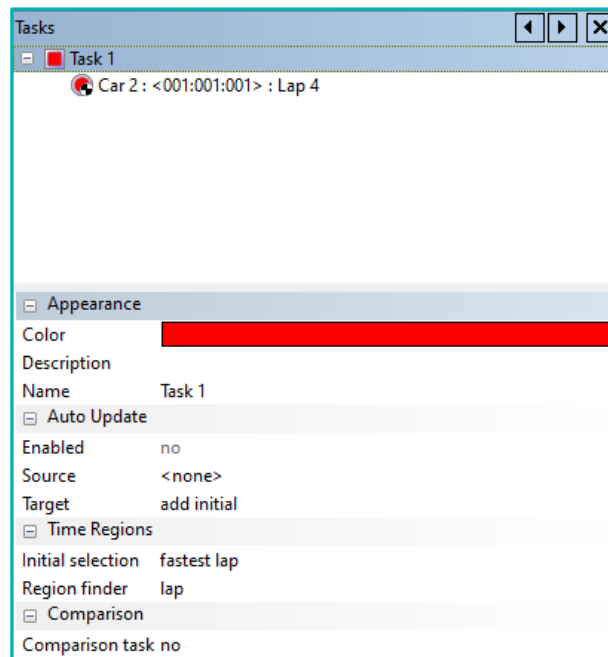
The Explorer is where you create tasks, load outing datasets, select channels from the outings to display and edit the channel properties. When you have finished work in the Explorer it can be quickly hidden to maximize the screen area for data analysis.

The Explorer can be navigated using the shortcuts in the table below.

← Explorer bar layout →							
Shortcut	Alt+1	Alt+2 (cyclic)		Alt+3 (cyclic)		Alt+4 (cyclic)	
Window	Task	Channels List	Events List	Global Channel Properties	Display Channel Properties	Global Event Properties	Display Event Properties

3.2.1 The Task Explorer

Pi Toolbox opens with the Task explorer in view. This is where tasks are created. Tasks are a convenient method of storing outing data. You create a task by right clicking in this pane and selecting the 'Add Task' option. When you highlight a task, its properties (Color Name and Description) are displayed underneath in the Details pane.



3.2.2 Task Properties

Task properties are displayed in the details pane when a task is highlighted or selected.

Appearance

Color: The identifying color of the task. Double-click the color panel to select another color from the color palette.

Description: Double-click to enter a short description of the task. Press **Enter** to close the dialog.

Name: Double-click and type a name for the task. Press **Enter** to close the dialog.

Auto Update

Using the Auto Update command, a task can be made to watch a directory for new outings. The task will automatically **Add** the outing or **Replace** the current outing, depending upon the parameters set. In this way displays can be updated with the latest data downloaded to a network server.

Enabled: Click **Enabled** and select **Yes** or **No** from the drop-down list to enable/disable Auto Update.

Source: Click **Source**, then click the browse button. Use the Browse for Folder dialog to locate the watched directory. You can type the path to a directory that does not currently exist in the text field below the explorer view.

Note: A dialog box will be displayed telling you that the path cannot be found. You must click **Yes** to enable the path.

Target - Use the Target property to determine how Auto Update responds to new outings. Click **Target** and select an option from the drop-down list.

Data selection caption: The outings added to the current task are listed here. When the selected outing is updated in the source directory, the task is updated.

Add Always: Any new outing added to the source directory will be added to the task.

Add Initial: This is the default option. The latest dataset added to the source directory will be added to the task. The target will then be set to that outing.

Time regions

Initial Selection: Use the selection property to specify what time region is to be displayed from a data selection added to a Task, or replacing an existing data selection in a task:

Fastest Lap: Displays the fastest lap from the outing.


All regions: Displays the complete outing.

Last Region: Display the lap leading up to the last lap marker.

Unchanged: As outings are updated or added, the current time region selected will not be changed.

Comparison: Designates the task as a Comparison task so multiple outings can be easily compared.

3.2.3 Outing Properties

Outing Properties are displayed in the lower Details pane when an outing is highlighted in the upper pane. Properties can be listed in categories, which you can expand or collapse, or listed alphabetically. To change modes select:  > **alphabetic/categorized**.

Appearance

Color: The default color of the outing. When two or more outings are contained in a task, all channel traces will take on the default color of the outing it is contained in. This does not affect the individual properties of channels.

Data Selection: Displays the outing caption and the data (Lap/s) selected for display. The outing caption can be configured in the Outings tab of the Options dialog. Select:

Tools > Options to open the dialog.

Details

There are several properties in the Details section that can be changed, such as Driver Name and Track Name. This information is included in display print-outs.

Comments

Short Comments / Long Comments: Double-click to enter a short and/or long comment.

Note: Long comments can be more than one line. You can also insert a carriage return by using Shift + Enter. The long comment will be displayed as a tooltip when there is insufficient space in the Task Explorer.

Lap Information

Lap Information is not editable.

Outing

Outing Information is not editable.

Data

Show Hidden Regions: Double-click and choose Yes or No to show/hide hidden regions e.g. Warm up and Cool Down laps.

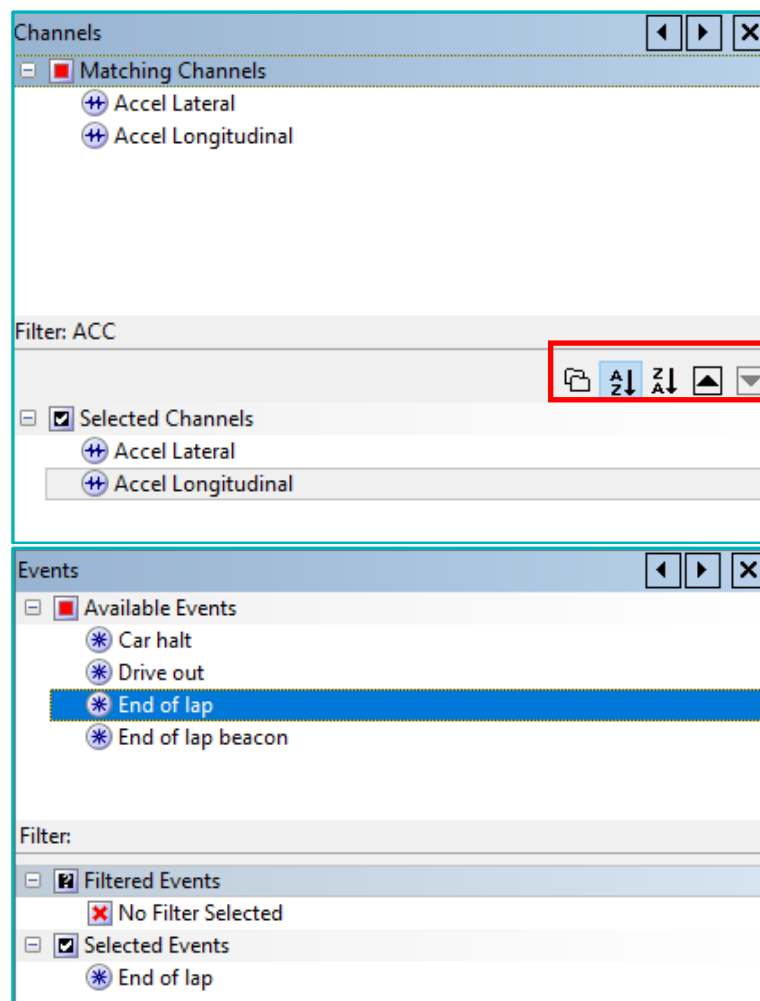
Time Offset: When the task contains more than one outing, a time offset can be added to change the position of one outing relative to another. Double-click, enter a time offset then press Return. Offset can be set manually in a Time/Distance Chart.

3.2.4 The Channels/Events Explorer

The available channels of data and events contained in the loaded outings are listed in the Channels and Events windows (press **Alt** + **2** to cycle between the channels and events windows) . These include channels and events from outings as well as math channels and soft events created in Pi Toolbox.

The Selection Explorer is used to select channels that are to be presented on displays in the Display Area. The filter can be used to narrow down the channels and can be used by typing when the selection explorer is in focus. The lower Details pane shows you which channels and events are selected for individual displays.

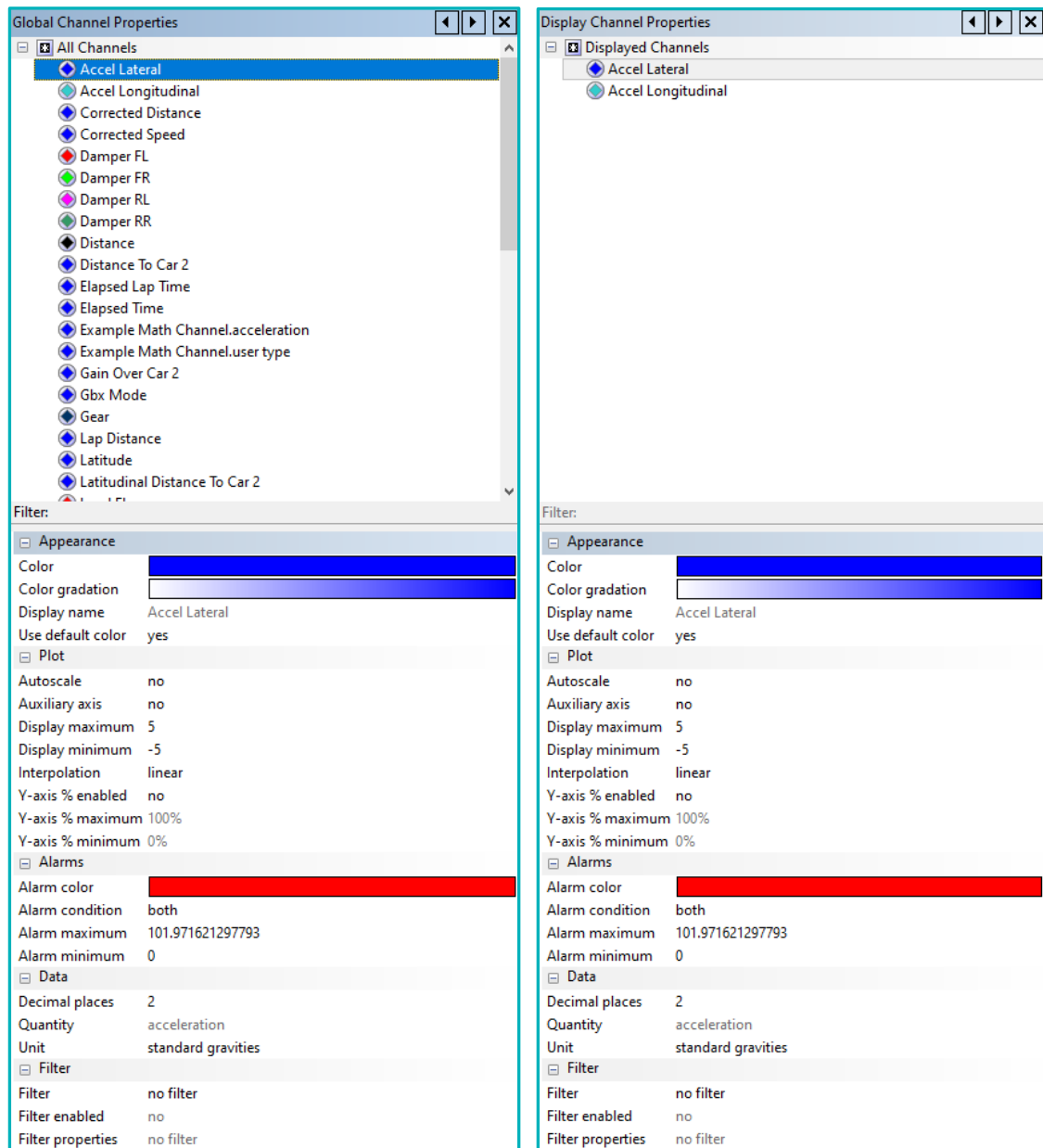
The Details pane also allows you to order the channels in the selected displays in ascending or descending alphabetical order or manually move these with the up and down arrows, highlighted in the red box below.



3.2.5 The Channel Properties Explorer

The Channel properties explorer is used to view and edit channel properties, which affect how a channel's data will be plotted on the display. As with the Selection Explorer, channel groups appear at the top of the pane.

There are two Channel Properties Explorer windows, Global and Display which can be cycled through with the **Alt** + **3** shortcut:



- In the Global Channel Properties window, all available channels and groups are in view. Properties edited here affect the whole Workbook, not just the display in focus.
- In Display Channel Properties tab, only those channels that are being displayed by the active display are in view. Properties edited here, will only affect the display in focus, overriding those set for the Workbook in the Global Channel Properties window.

The following properties can be changed for channels

- **Appearance**

Color: The channel's default (or base) color.

Color Gradation: Enables a channel's plotted color to be graded according to the channels value at that point.

Display name: The channel name.

- **Plot**

Autoscale: Enables/disables Autoscale. When Autoscale is on the trace expands to the full extent of the axis relating to the channel's data, to maximize the data in the plot area.

Auxiliary axis: Enables or disables multiple axes to be displayed on Time and Distance charts, Histograms, etc. A display will show a Y-axis for the active channel and a Y-axis for any channel it has selected having this property enabled.

Display maximum: The maximum extents of the axis relating to the channels data when plotted on a display. This parameter is disabled when Autoscale in on.

Display minimum: The minimum extents of the axis relating to the channels data when plotted on a display. This parameter is disabled when Autoscale in on.

Interpolation: Determines the interpolation technique applied between sample points. Select either Linear or Sample and hold.

Y-axis percent enabled: Enables or disables Y-axis percent of the channel. When enabled, the Y-axis percentage occupied by the channel and its vertical position on the scale can be changed.

Y-axis percent max/min: determines the maximum and minimum percentage of the Y-axis occupied by the channel. Use this to move a channel trace clear of other overlaid traces to aid visibility.

- **Alarm**

Alarm color: The alarm's color.

Alarm condition: Determines the threshold condition for which the alarm is triggered. The options are none, minimum, maximum and both. The alarm can be configured to trigger when the channel value drops below the minimum value, when the channel value rises above the maximum value or when both minimum and maximum alarm values are exceeded.

Alarm maximum: the threshold value that the channel value must exceed above for the alarm to be triggered.

Alarm minimum: The threshold value that the channel value must exceed below for the alarm to be triggered.

- **Data**

Decimal Places: The number of decimal places to which channel values are displayed.

Quantity: What the channel is measuring, for example pressure, velocity.

Units: °C, MPH, KPH, liters, mm, bar, volts.

- **Filter**

Filter: Select a filter type from the drop-down list. The default options are: No filter, bandpass filter, gating-function filter, and moving average filter. When a filter is selected the **Filter Enabled:** Indicator changes to **Yes**. Custom filters developed using the SDK will also appear in the drop-down list.

Filter enabled: Indicates filter on or off state.

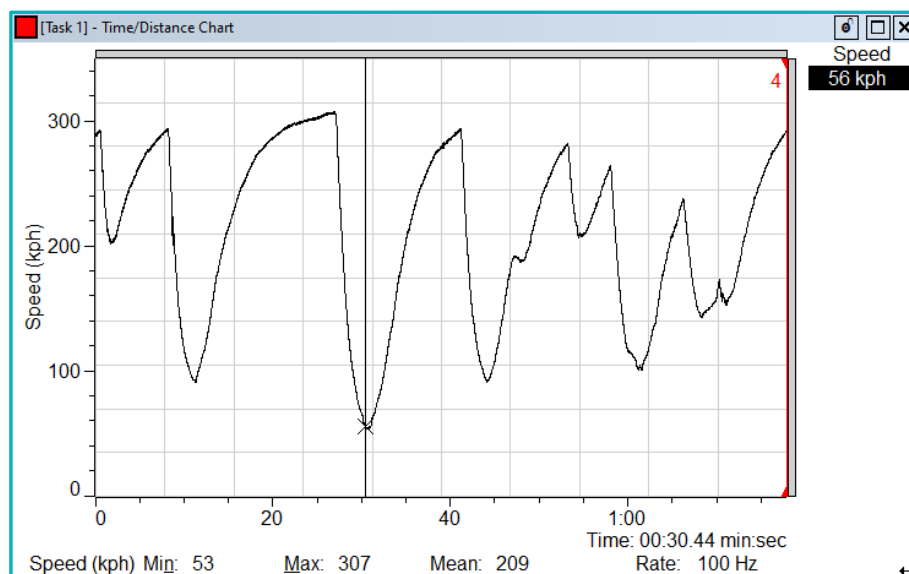
Filter Properties: Double-clicking this property opens the Property dialog for the filter type selected.

3.3 Display Types

The most commonly used display types are summarised below.

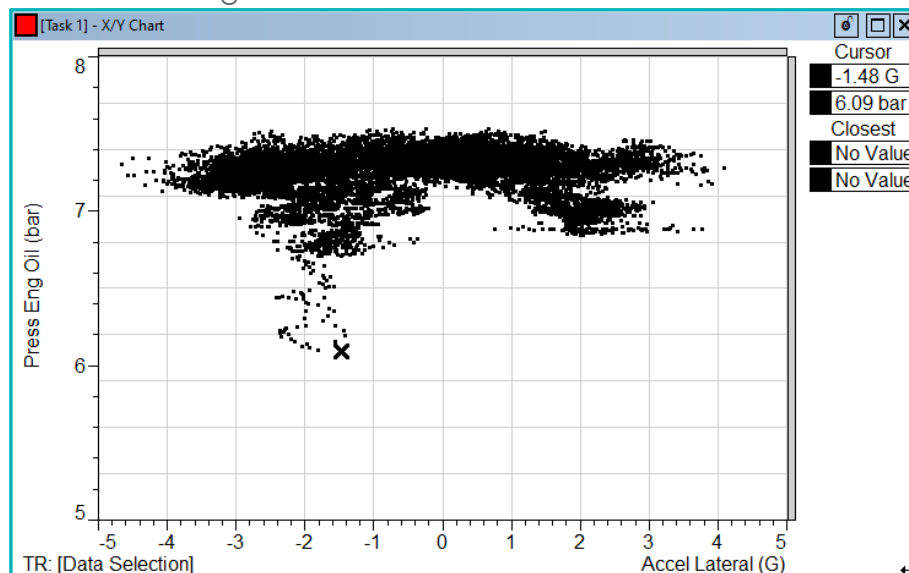
3.3.1 Time/Distance Displays

Lets you display data against time or distance.



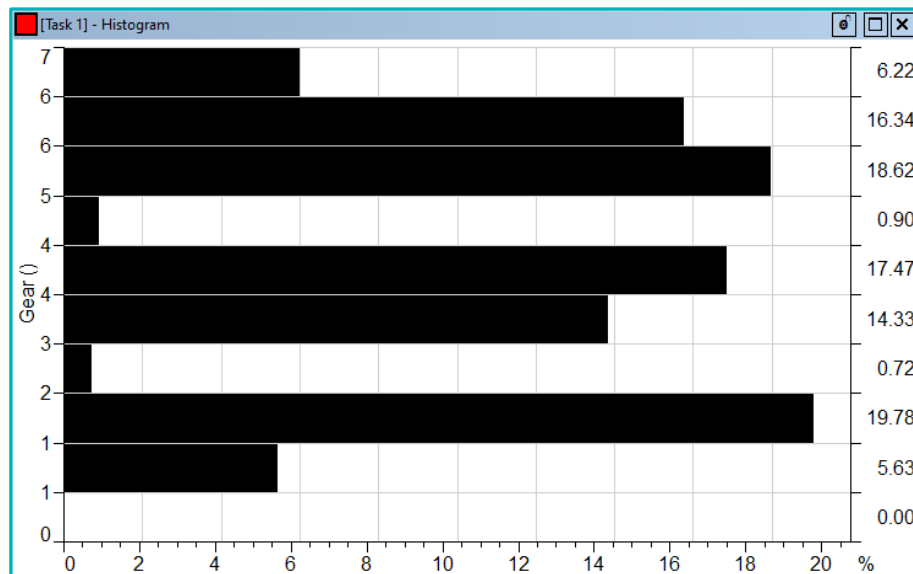
3.3.2 X-Y Displays

Lets you plot one channel against another



3.3.3 Histograms

Show data in percentage and time values between specified boundaries.



3.3.4 Reports

Used for analyzing trends during outings. They can be designed for specific analysis requirements; stored and re-run with any outing.

Excel Outing Report

Layout and printing is performed in Microsoft Excel. Excel allows easy manipulation of data, and the development of complex report integration using comprehensive mathematical and statistical functions.

Tabular Outing Report

The Tabular Outing report shows channel values lap-by-lap for the entire outing and is ideal if you want to analyze trends during an outing; for example, engine temperatures or pressures.

Lap number		1 (Out Lap)	2	3	4	5
Lap time (min:sec)		01:40.23	01:18.03	01:26.06	01:17.86	01:47.22
Temp Eng Oil (°C)	mean	114	103	102	102	109
Temp Eng Oil (°C)	max	134	108	107	108	137
Temp Eng Water (°C)	mean	121	113	112	113	114
Temp Eng Water (°C)	max	135	115	114	115	118
Temp Gbx Oil (°C)	mean	98	90	93	92	97
Temp Gbx Oil (°C)	max	115	98	104	99	108
Throttle (%)	mean	47	74	59	74	57
RPM (rpm)	max	19549	19643	19608	19619	19619

Split Report

The Split report is based on the track sections. Each track section is marked by a split beacon point. This can be a physical beacon or a beacon inserted using the software. By dividing the track into appropriate sections you can see how fast and consistent the driver is in each section of the track. By comparing laps you will notice how adjustments made to the setup affect performance.

Creating a Split report using elapsed time gives a very useful Split Time report. The Split Time report provides two unique performance indicators: the theoretical fastest lap and the fastest rolling lap.

The theoretical fastest lap gives the lap time that could be achieved if the best split section times from an outing were all in one single lap.

The fastest rolling lap is the fastest lap time using a start and end point, which may not be the end-of-lap beacon. Comparing achieved lap times to the theoretical fastest lap time shows driver consistency.

Event Report

Event reports show when an event occurred and any associated channel values.

3.3.5 Maps

Show a pictorial representation of the track, built from logged data.

3.3.6 Aerial Map Display

GPS tracked coordinates over a satellite image.



3.3.7 Video Displays

Enable MPEG files to be viewed in synch with Task Cursor time.

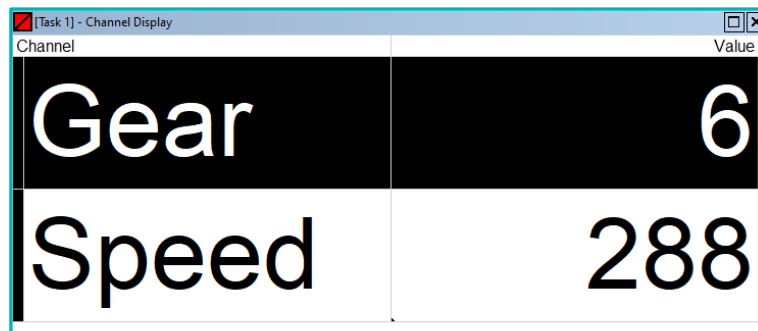
3.3.8 Bit Indicators

Examine system status channels looking for error conditions.

[Task 1] - Bit Indicator	
autoCalErr	NONE
autoCalErrSrc	NONE
fbwErrorCause	NOT_FAILED
fbwExitingStrategy	SRC_DRIVER

3.3.9 Channel Displays

Display the numeric values of the selected channels for real time (last point) or historic data.



3.3.10 Event Displays

Display events from both real-time and historic data, depending on the type of data stream it is associated with.

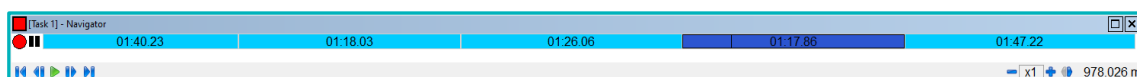
[Task 1] - Event Display				
Event	Time (min:sec)	Source	Category	Message
End of lap (1 Event)				
End of lap	01:17.859	DRV	Added	End of lap

3.3.11 Chart Recorders

Display real-time data from the car as it proceeds around the track. The chart constantly updates with the latest data, resulting in a scrolling behavior.

3.3.12 Navigators

Provides a quick and easy means of selecting time regions within outings, changing the range of data plotted by displays connected to the same task.



3.3.13 Dash Display

Allows Real-time and PDS file playback of Cosworth device displays.



4. Math Channels and Soft Events

4.1 Introduction to Math Channels and Soft Events

Pi Math allows users to perform complex data analysis. Generally a math channel takes one or more input channels and produces an output channel. Input channels can be real channels or other math channels.

The operators and functions that are available to math channels are also available to soft events. Soft Events are simply math channels with a Boolean value. For a given sample point, if the event occurs, it is On/True. If the event does not occur it is Off/False. For

Example: [Speed]>80.

4.1.1 What is a math channel?

A greater understanding of performance can be gained by combining 'real' channel data, mathematical equations and functions to create a Math channel. These can be thought of as user generated 'virtual' channels derived from the result of a mathematical operation. Math channels can be used in the same way as real channels. The results can be displayed in the Time and Distance displays, Histograms, Reports etc.

A Math channel is identified in the explorer like this:  **Math Channel Name.**

A simple math channel is in the form of:

Math Channel = f (Input1, Input2,)

Calculating the aerodynamic downforce that the car is subjected to is a typical math channel:

TotalAero = AeroF + AeroR

Where:

AeroF = FL Pushrod Load + FR Pushrod Load

AeroR = RL Pushrod Load + RR Pushrod Load

TotalAero is a math channel whose inputs, AeroF and AeroR are also math channels. These, however, are derived from the input data (real) channels: FL Pushrod Load, FR Pushrod Load, RL Pushrod Load and RR Pushrod Load.

4.1.2 What is a soft event?

Engineers need to create their own events based on set conditions within channel data, for this purpose soft events are provided. Unlike hard events, which are part of the outing data, soft events are always calculated at run time. For example, on a circuit test to investigate the efficiency of the gearbox oil pickup, when the car is accelerating, braking, stationary and not cornering conditions need to be excluded. Setting event parameters to exclude lateral acceleration data greater than 0.5g or less than -0.5g and the RPM data greater than 10,000rpm, would be carried out in the Soft Events Management dialog.

A soft event is identified in the explorer like this:  **Soft Event Name**

4.2 Creating and Editing Math Channels and Soft Events

Equation strings for math channels and soft events are created in the Equation field of the Management dialogs.

Select: **Tools > Pi Math > Edit** or **Tools > Soft Events > Edit**.

A new channel is created by pressing the  button.

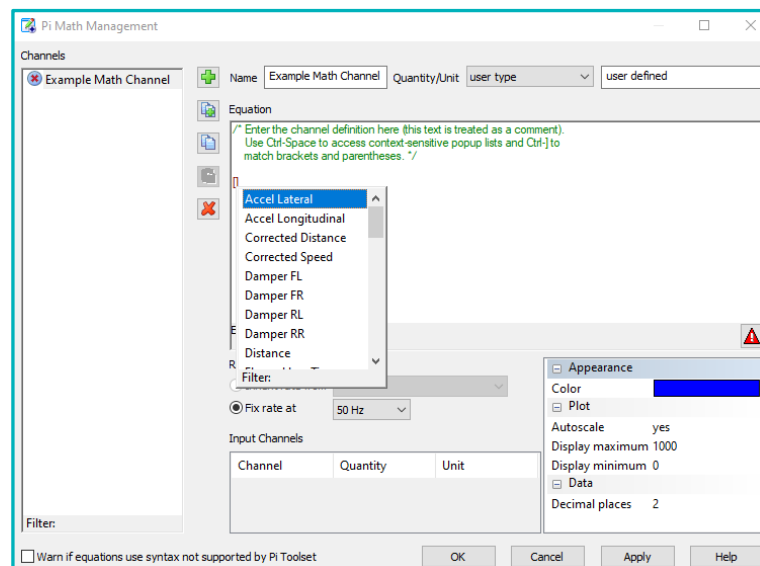
Building equations is facilitated by built-in mathematical functions and operators.

Selection of the operators or channels is made from a drop-down list, accessed by pressing

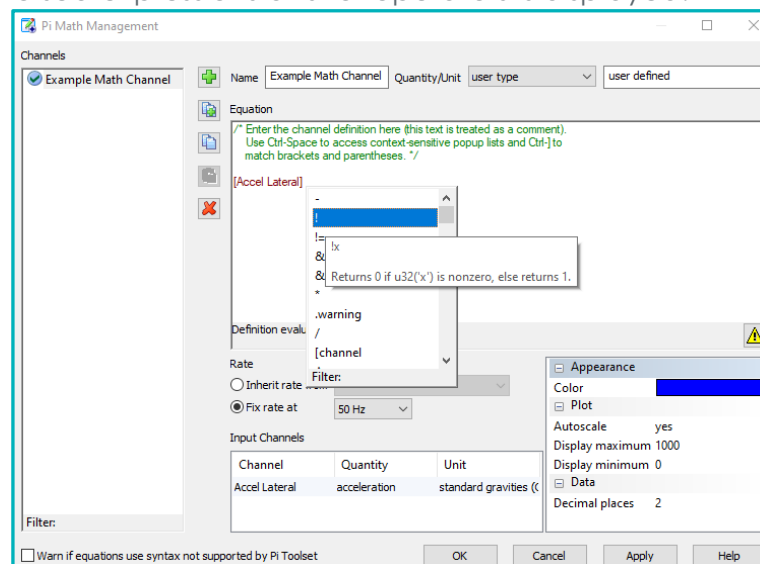
Ctrl + **Space** in the equation field.

To select, use the up/down arrow keys to highlight the required operator and press Enter. The Channel or Operator is inserted in the equations at the cursor location. The list can be filtered if required. The backspace key will delete filter characters. The content of the drop-down list depends upon the context of the equation when accessed:



- After '[' or between '[' and ']' a list of available channels is displayed.



- Between two sub-expressions a list of operators is displayed.



When highlighted, or with the cursor held over, a tool tip shows the syntax and description of the operator.

Note: Enter a space after the ']' character, before pressing  + , to access the list of operators.

Operands

The following objects may be used as operands in the equation:

- Channels
- Global math constants (name)
- Outing constants (name)



Constants

Constants are referenced using the following syntax:

- CONST (Constant name)
- GLOBALCONST (Constant name)
- OUTINGCONST (Constant name)

Error Checking

The Status bar beneath the equation field displays 'Definition evaluates successfully' or 'invalid Definition' as you build the equation, to indicate the accuracy of the equation syntax.

An invalid definition is also indicated by the math channel icon, which changes from  for a valid definition to  for an invalid definition.

Examples

Shown below is an example of a valid Pi Maths definition definition.

/ True if Down Paddle Pressed when a Downshift is not allowed
If entered as a maths channel the output of the channel will be 1 when the logic evaluates to True, if entered as a Soft-Event an Event will be created instead*/*

```
register @a0;  
register @a1;
```

```
@a0 = choose([ecu_B_paddn]>@a1 && [math_downshift_allowed]==2, 1, 0);  
@a1 = [ecu_B_paddn];
```

```
@a0
```


4.3 Pi Maths Operators and Functions

4.3.1 Operators

The following table defines the operators, which are supported in precedence order.

Operator	Usage	Description
Unary associate right to left		
-	-x	unary negation
!	!x	logical negation: if x is not zero result is zero, else 1
~	~x	bitwise not: inverts every bit in x cast as a 32 bit integer
Multiplicative associate left to right		
*	x*y	returns the product of x and y
/	x/y	returns the dividend of x and y. If y = 0, then returns zero.
Additive associate left to right		
+	x+y	calculates the sum of x and y
-	x-y	calculates the difference of x and y
Shift operators associate left to right		
<<	x << n	shifts x cast as a 32 bit integer left n bits
>>	x >> n	shifts x cast as a 32 bit signed integer right n bits, sign extending the result
Comparisons associate left to right		
>	x > y	returns 1 if x > y else 0
>=	x >= y	returns 1 if x >= y else 0
<=	x <= y	returns 1 if x <= y else 0
<	x < y	returns 1 if x < y else 0
Equality		
==	x == y	returns 1 if x equal y else 0
!=	x != y	returns 1 if x not equal y else 0
Bitwise associate left to right		
&	x & y	Casts x and y to a 32 bit integer, and then bitwise AND's the two results.
	x y	Casts x and y to a 32-bit integer, and then bitwise OR's the two values.
Logical associate left to right		
&&	x && y	returns 1 if both x and y are non zero else zero
^^	x ^^ y	returns 0 if x and y are both non zero or zero, else 1
	x y	returns 1 if either x or y are non zero else 0

4.3.1 Functions

The following table defines the functions, which are supported.

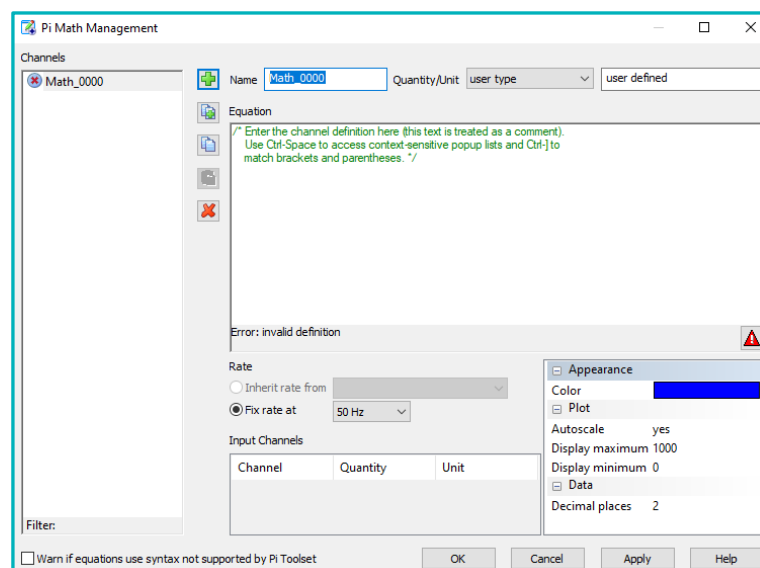
Function	Usage	Description
rand		Random value 0.. 1
Transcendental		
acos	acos(x)	The acos function returns the arccosine of x in the range 0 to p radians. If x is less than -1 or greater than 1, acos returns an indefinite (same as a quiet NaN).

asin	asin(x)	The asin function returns the arcsine of x in the range $-\pi/2$ to $\pi/2$ radians. If x is less than -1 or greater than 1 , asin returns an indefinite (same as a quiet NaN).
atan	atan(x)	atan returns the arctangent of x. If x is 0, atan returns 0. atan returns a value in the range $-\pi/2$ to $\pi/2$ radians.
atan2	atan2(x, y)	atan2 returns the arctangent of y/x. If both parameters of atan2 are 0, the function returns 0. atan2 returns a value in the range $-\pi$ to π radians, using the signs of both parameters to determine the quadrant of the return value.
sin	sin(x) x in radians	sin returns the sine of x. If x is greater than or equal to 263, or less than or equal to -263 , a loss of significance in the result occurs.
cos	cos(x) x in radians	as sine but calculates the cosine
tan	tan(x) x in radians	tan returns the tangent of x. If x is greater than or equal to 263, or less than or equal to -263 , a loss of significance in the result occurs, in which case the function generates a _TLOSS error and returns an indefinite (same as a quiet NaN).
sinh	sinh(x) x in radians	sinh returns the hyperbolic sine of x. If the result is too large, sinh returns $\pm\text{HUGE_VAL}$.
cosh	cosh(x) x in radians	as sinh
tanh	tanh(x) x in radians	tanh returns the hyperbolic tangent of x
exp	exp(x)	The exp function returns the exponential value of the floating-point parameter, x, if successful. On overflow, the function returns INF (infinite) and on underflow, exp returns 0.
hypot	hypot(x, y)	hypot returns the length of the hypotenuse of the triangle specified by x and y if successful or INF (infinity) on overflow.
log	log(x)	The log functions return the natural logarithm of x if successful. If $x \leq 0$, returns 0.
log10	log10(x)	The log functions return the logarithm base 10 of x if successful. If $x \leq 0$, returns 0.
pow	pow(x, y)	returns x to the power of y, except when: ($x=0$ and $y \leq 0$) or ($x \leq 0$ and y is not integral) in which case 0 is returned.
sqrt	sqrt(x)	The sqrt function returns the square-root of x. If x is negative, sqrt returns 0.
Conversions		
ceil	ceil(x)	The ceil function returns a double value representing the smallest integer that is greater than or equal to x.
floor	floor(x)	The floor function returns a double value representing the largest integer that is less than or equal to x.
fabs	fabs(x)	returns the absolute value of x.
fmod	fmod(x/y)	fmod returns the floating-point remainder of x / y. If the value of y is 0.0, fmod returns 0.
min	min(x, y)	returns the lesser of x and y
max	max(x, y)	returns the greater of x and y

shr	shr(x, n)	converts x to a 32 bit unsigned integer, and shifts the bits right n bits, shifting in zeroes in the high order bits
choose	choose(c, x, y)	if (c is 1) returns x otherwise returns y
s8	s8(x)	returns x casts to a signed byte
u8	u8(x)	returns x cast to an unsigned byte
s16	s16(x)	returns x cast to a signed word
u16	u16(x)	returns x cast to an unsigned word
s32	s32(x)	returns x cast to a signed dword
u32	u32(x)	returns x cast to an unsigned dword

4.4 Pi Math Channel Management

The Pi Math Management dialog allows the following properties to be edited for the Math Channel.



Channel List

This is a list of all existing math channels. When a math channel is highlighted in the list, its details are displayed in the panels on the right.



Inserts a default name for a new math channel in the math channel list.



Deletes the math channel currently highlighted in the math channel list.

Note: You can select single or multiple channels in this list using '**Shift + Click**' or '**Ctrl + Click**'.

Alternatively select all channels by pressing '**Ctrl + A**'. With multiple selections, filtering will deselect non-matching records, whilst the matching records remain selected.

CAUTION: A math channel may be a sub-expression of another math channel equation, i.e. the math channel is dependent on another. Deleting the first channel would cause the dependent channel to become globally non-valid.

Name

Displays the name of the math channel highlighted in the channel list. The name can be edited in this field.

CAUTION: Math channel names are case sensitive. Make sure that you do not create a math channel that has the same name as an existing one, but different capitalization.

Quantity/Unit

Math channel units default to user-defined units. These are entered directly in the Unit field of the Pi Math Management dialog.

A math channel's quantity can be changed to a pre-defined quantity in the extended section of the dialog. When the quantity is defined, the user can then define the unit.

Rate

Math channels consist of one or more input channels that are usually acquired at different frequencies.

The user determines the Calculation or Sampling Rate of a math channel, which can either be the same rate as one of the constituent channels, or user defined.

Inherit rate from: Allows you to select from a drop-down list, which contains the constituent channels of the equation. The calculation rate of the math channel will be the same as the data rate of the channel selected here.

Fixed: Allows you to define a data rate from a range of fixed frequencies from 1 to 1000 Hz. This option can be used when a math channel has no constituent real channels.

Equation

This field is for entering the math channel equation string.

The syntax is color highlighted as follows: Red = error, Green = comment, blue = keyword. If required, a description may be added to aid identification. Insert the description between the characters: /*Description Here*/, or after the characters: //Description Here

Note: The status bar beneath the equation field displays 'Definition evaluates successfully' or 'Invalid Definition' as you build the equation, to indicate the accuracy of the equation syntax.

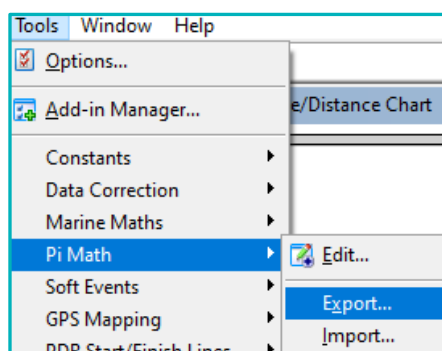
Input Channels

The input channels list is a list of all real channels referenced in the math channel equation. Here you can change the quantities and units of individual channels. Simply double-click a quantity or unit, and select from a drop-down a list of options appropriate to the channel.

Note: The Default Properties panel on the right of the Management Dialog is used to define math channel properties. The properties displayed are those of the channel selected in the Channel Name list. These properties appear in the Properties Explorer and determine the appearance of the math channel trace in displays.

4.5 Importing and Exporting Math Channels

Math channels can be imported to and exported from a Workbook from **Tools > Pi Math > Export/Import**



4.6 Lookup Tables

Lookup tables are contained in external excel files. Tables can be included in math channel and soft event equations by mapping to the external table with a definition string. There are two table types: 1 input parameter (1D) and two input parameters (2D). Data is linearly interpolated between values.

1D Lookup Table:

Spring Rate	
Suspension Travel (mm)	Rate (Kg/mm)
10	1.80
20	2.24
30	2.48
40	2.36
50	2.12

2D Lookup Table:

Efficiency					
	Front Ride Height (mm)				
Rear Ride Height (mm)	10	20	30	40	50
10	1.80	1.70	1.60	1.10	0.30
20	2.24	1.85	1.46	1.07	0.68
30	2.48	2.00	1.32	1.04	1.06
40	2.36	2.15	1.18	1.01	1.44
50	2.12	2.30	1.04	0.98	1.82

4.6.1 Lookup Table Syntax

Both 1D and 2D tables are defined in the math channel/soft event equation using the following syntax:

table #name = path\filename\sheet\!cellfrom:cellto;

Where:

Table: Keyword is used for defining lookup tables

Name: Is the lookup tables name. It must always start with a '#' symbol.

Path: Is the driver plus directory path of the Excel file. Relative network paths can also be used. See the examples below.

Sheet: Is the Excel sheet name.

Cellfrom: The lookup table's top/top left value cell.

Cellto: The lookup table's bottom/bottom left value cell.

Cellto and Cellfrom arguments can be specified using the Excel Cell syntax, e.g. cell A3

would be \$A\$3.

Efficiency					
Rear Ride Height	Front Ride Height (mm)				
	10	20	30	40	50
10	1.80	1.70	1.60	1.10	0.30
20	2.24	1.85	1.46	1.07	0.68
30	2.48	2.00	1.32	1.04	1.06
40	2.36	2.15	1.18	1.01	1.44
50	2.12	2.30	1.04	0.98	1.82

4.6.2 Lookup Table Usage

Lookup Tables can be used in channel/event definitions with the following syntax:

```
#name (exp[,mode])
#name (exp1, exp2[, mode])
```

Where:

Name: Is the name of the table.

Exp: Is the input argument used in 1D lookup tables

exp1 and **exp2** - are input arguments used in 2D lookup tables. exp1 specifies the IndexColumn and exp2 the IndexRow.

Mode: Is optional parameter. It specifies modes of interpolation/extrapolation. If not specified explicitly, the 'Snap' value will be assumed. It can have one of the following value.

Interpolation: Interpolation is performed

Extrapolation: Extrapolation is performed.

Both: Interpolation and extrapolation is performed.

Snap (default value): neither interpolation or extrapolation is performed - the nearest value is returned.

Hold: As Snap mode but will snap the value always to the previous one.

4.7 Registers

4.7.1 What is a register?

Registers are used for storing discrete variables (real numbers). The value of a register after the current sample is evaluated, is propagated as a value for the next sample evaluation. Registers are calculated for each sample of the math channel. Typical uses of registers are to:

- Simplify equations by providing means for defining local variables. For example:

$$\text{AveSpeedFront} = ([\text{SpeedFL}] + [\text{SpeedFR}]) / 2$$

$$\text{AveSpeedRear} = ([\text{SpeedRL}] + [\text{SpeedRR}]) / 2$$

$$(\text{AveSpeedFront} + \text{AveSpeedRear}) / 2$$

- Make recurrent definitions by persisting registers sample-by-sample. For example:

$$\text{Summ} = \text{Summ} + [\text{Speed}]$$

Will set Summ equal to the value of Summ in the previous sample plus the value of the Speed channel in the current sample.

4.7.2 Working with Registers

Declaration

Before a register can be used it must be declared, for example: register @R;

Register names are case sensitive and must start with the '@' character.

As part of the declaration the user can specify an initial value for the register:

Register @R=1;

When not specified, initial value defaults to zero.

Note: Register declarations must precede all other statements in an equation.

Initial Value

A register takes its initial value only for the first sample of the math channel (which is equivalent to initialization of static variables in C++).

Assignment

Once a register is declared, its values can be changed with an assignment operator:

<register> = <expression>;

For example: @R = @R + 1;

Registers in expressions

The value of registers can be used in any expression by simply specifying the register name:

Sin(@R);

@R3 = log (@R1+@R2);

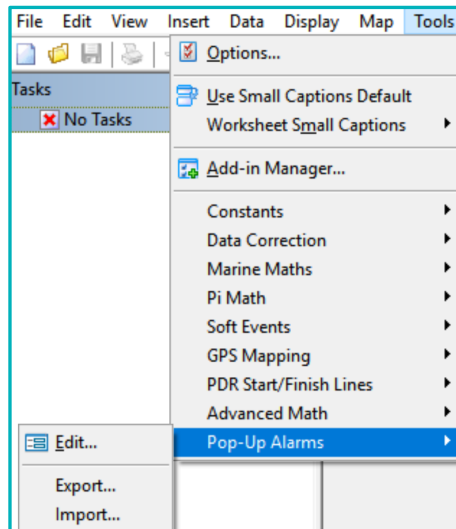
4.8 Pup-Up Alarms

4.8.1 What are Pup-Up Alarms

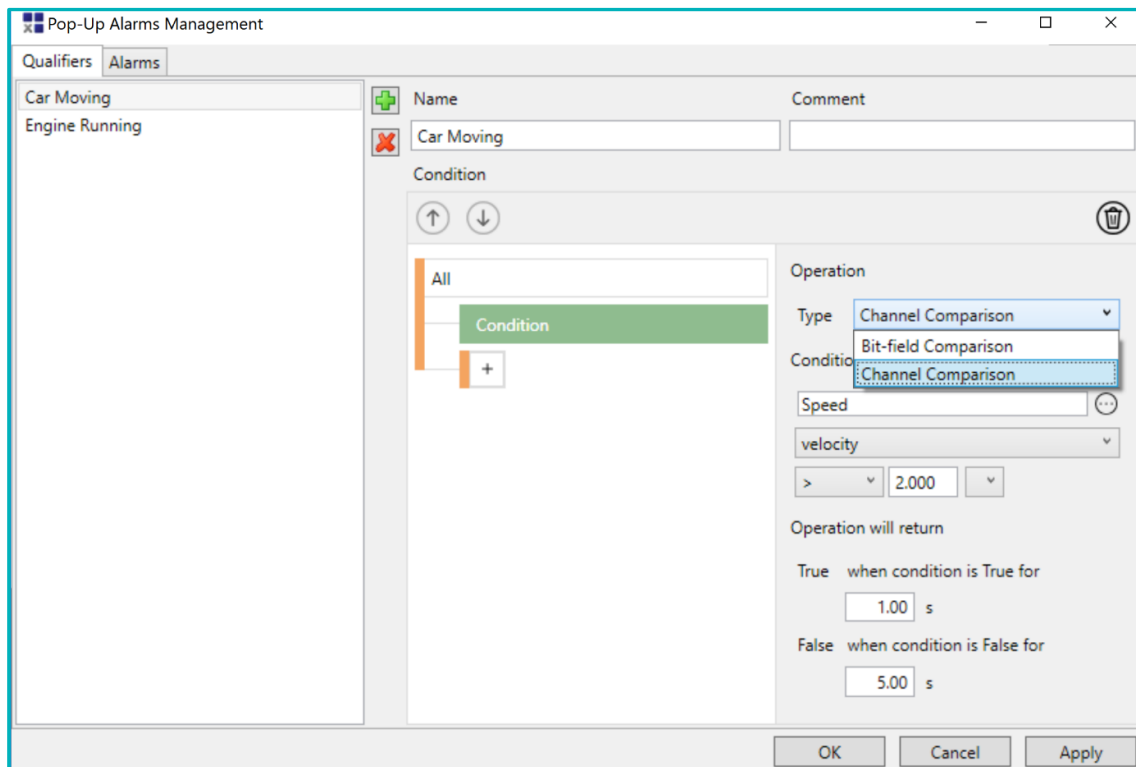
Pop-Up Alarms are visual indicators that certain channels have reached a defined value. When this happens a pop up window will appear that requires acknowledgement.

4.8.2 Configuration

Pop-up alarms configuration is accessed via the Tools menu (real-time license is required for this feature):

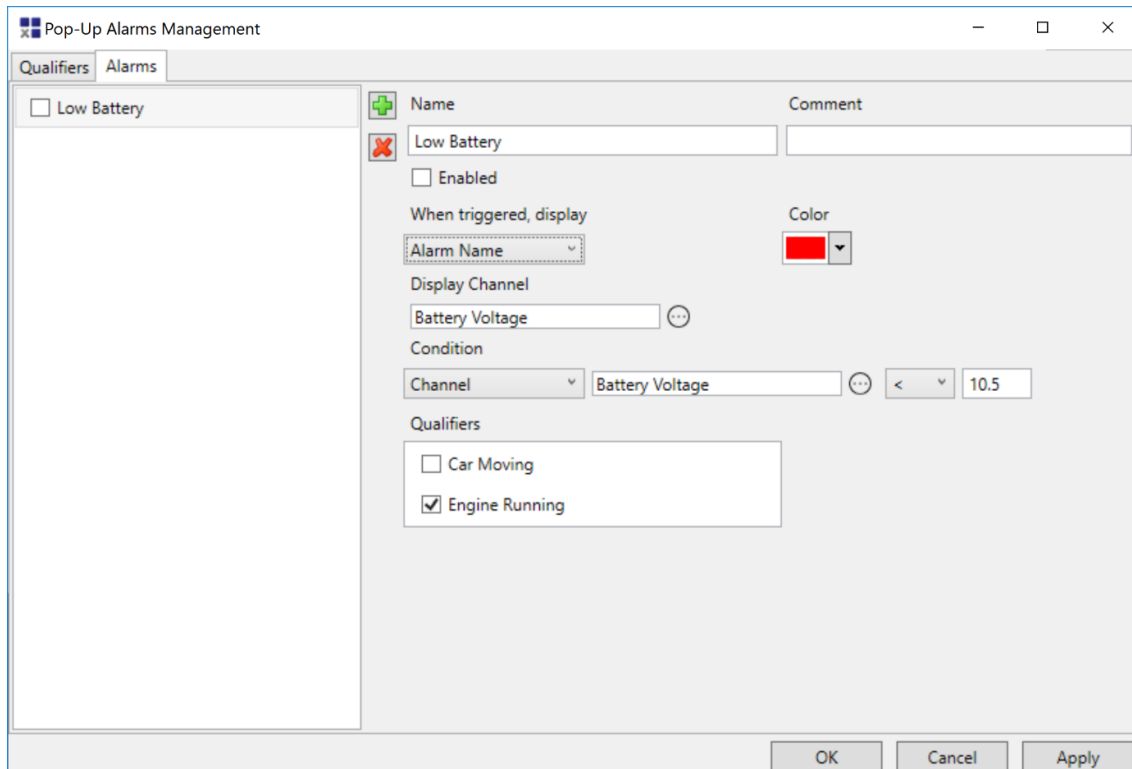


The configuration dialog contains two tabs, one for configuring global qualifiers, another for configuring the individual alarms. The qualifiers tab takes inspiration from Toolset's logic channels editor, here only supporting channel and bit-field comparisons are available.

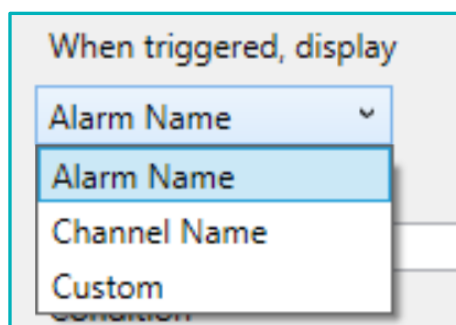


Individual alarms are configured using an editor inspired by Toolset's alarms editor. It's possible to select which of the global qualifiers should also be applied to each alarm, and to enable/disable the alarms.

For "Channel" conditions, the channel database alarm min/max values will be set as the default comparison value when selecting '<', '<=' or '>=', '>' comparisons.



It's possible to configure the headline message that gets displayed when the alarm triggers, with "Custom Text" allowing an arbitrary string to be entered



4.8.3 Triggered Alarms

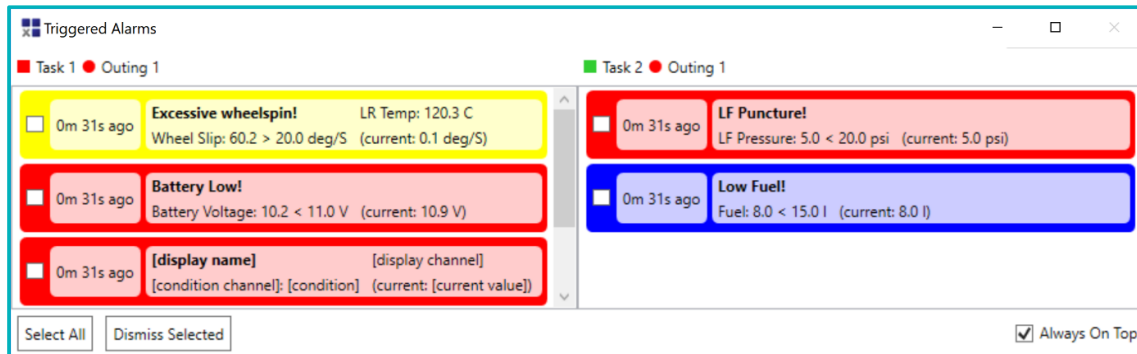
Triggered alarms are shown on a pop-up dialog and that has the following features:

- Can be configured to always be on top of other windows.

- Allows multi-selection of multiple triggered alarms by clicking the entries, or using the checkboxes, and then dismiss those selected alarms.

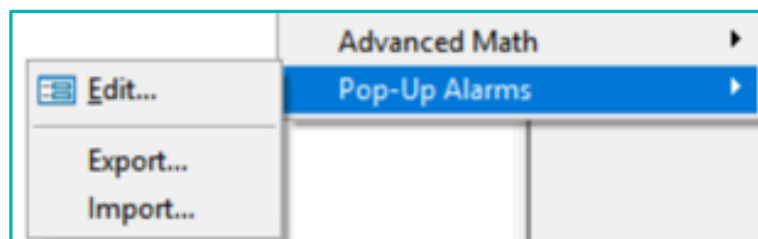
- It's not be possible to manually close the dialog, it will close automatically once all alarms are dismissed. The dialog will persist its position on closing, and restore to its previous position

when displayed. If the previous monitor becomes unavailable, it will revert to displaying on the monitor on which the main Pi Toolbox window is displayed.



4.8.4 Import/Export

It's possible to import and export pop-up alarm definitions via the Tools menu. These entries will bring up "standard" Toolbox import/export wizards.



4.9 Constants

4.9.1 What is a constant?

A constant is a named, time-invariant value that has a global or outing context.

Constants can be used in math channels; for example, if several math channels use a spring rate value, that value can be represented by a constant created in Pi Toolbox. If the spring rate needs to be changed, by changing the constant value to the new rate, all channels using the constant are recalculated using the new value.

4.9.2 Types of Constant

Global Constants

A global constant has scope across all datasets and is saved as part of a Workbook. They are available for all Math Channels. Constant values, for instance: tire diameter, which do not change from one outing to the next, are defined as Global Constants.

Outing Constants

An outing constant only has scope within an outing and is saved as part of a dataset. Constant values, for instance: track temperature, which can change from one outing to the next are defined as outing constants.

Simple constants and Excel constants

There are two constant variants:

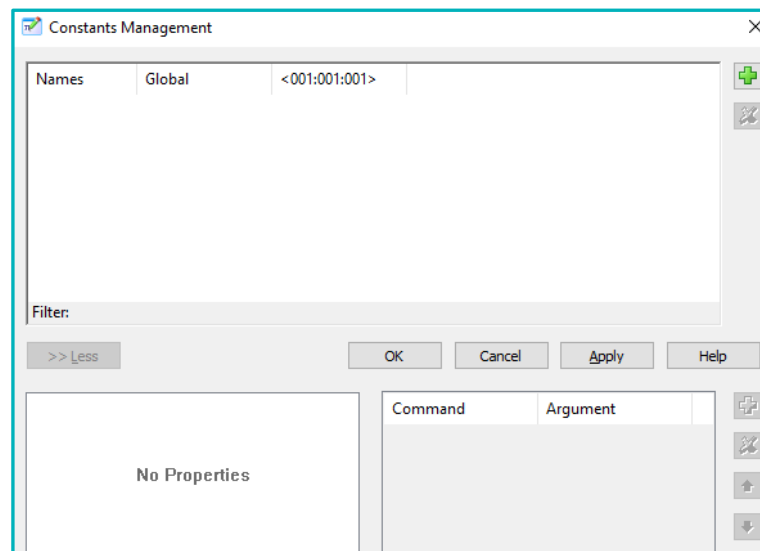
- **Simple Constant:** Which is defined as a numeric value

- **Excel Constant:** Which takes its value from an Excel cell. When math channels containing the constant are calculated, the value is taken from the spreadsheet cell, for example, a component value in the setup sheet. Certain actions can be executed in Excel before the cell value is retrieved, e.g. Execute a Macro.

4.9.3 Constants Management

Global constants and outing constants are defined in the Constants Editor. The scope of the constant depends upon where the value is entered in the Editor.

To open the dialog, select: **Tools > Constants > Edit**



Inserts a default name for a new constant in the constants list.



Deletes the constant currently highlighted in the constants list.

Names - The constants that exist for the current Workbook or for any of the outings contained in the Workbook are listed in the Name column. Change the name of a constant by double-clicking the default name and typing in a new name.

Global - A constant value entered here creates a Global constant. Enter a value by double-clicking in the Global field and typing.

Outing - The columns following the Global column represent the outings currently loaded in the Workbook. A constant value entered here creates an Outing constant. Values are entered by double-clicking in the Outing field and typing.

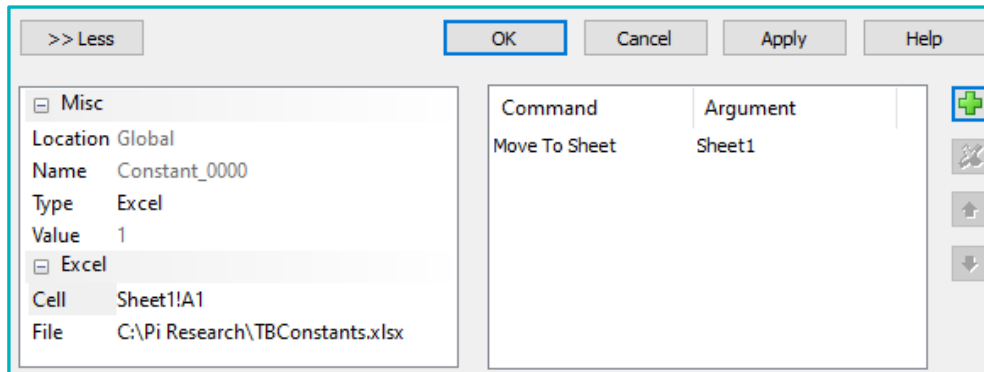
4.9.4 Excel Constants

The Constants Editor is extended when the 'More' button is pressed. These commands are used for creating Excel Constants.

The left window shows details of the constant currently highlighted in the main window of the dialog. To create an Excel Constant, select Excel in the Type field and enter the name of the Excel workbook to be used. Then enter the cell address of the cell holding the constant value, into the Cell field, using the standard Excel format.

Excel cell: Enter the location of the cell which holds the constant value, the location is in the form: Sheet name! A1 or A1, (column letter, row number).

Excel file: Opens a browse dialog to let you browse for the Excel File.



Command: The right hand window gives further command and argument options. Commands are activated each time Pi Toolbox attempts to acquire a value from a cell **before** the value is read. You can add as many commands as you wish and change their order using the up/down arrow buttons. To add a command, right-click in the Commands column and select from the available list.

Enter arguments by typing directly in the field.
The commands available are:

Move to Sheet: Activates an Excel Sheet (argument: sheet number)

Execute Macro: Executes an Excel Macro (argument: Excel Macro Name)

Set Cell Value: Sets a value in a cell in the active Excel Workbook (argument: A1=value).