OPC Logger 2.90

Datalogging Software

User's Manual

(Revision 2.10)

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<u>1. Overview</u>

OPC Logger (Lite Edition) is a free OPC client software to perform OPC tags data collection and save collected data into CSV file. The **Lite Edition** is designed for small or light user data collection application.

The OPC Logger (Lite Edition) has a complex data filtering to prevent the illegal and invalid OPC tags data to be processed and exported into CSV file accidentally.

Under Lite Edition license, OPC Logger can monitor 10 OPC tags and not support the multi-instance of OPC server datalogging.

For more information about OPC Logger (Lite Edition) software, refer to the references section in this user manual or visit our website: <u>http://flatwareshock.tripod.com</u>

2. System Requirements

The OPC Logger version 2.90 (Lite Edition) software will run on Windows XP or higher operating systems.

Minimum Hardware Requirements:

- > Intel Pentium-class processor; Pentium 3 or higher processor recommended.
- > 512 MB of RAM.
- > .NET Framework 3.5 or higher version to be installed at your computer.
- > 500MB of disk space or above.
- > VGA or higher resolution monitor. Super VGA recommended.

3. Getting Started

3.1 Installation

To install OPC Logger software, use Windows explorer to browser CD for "*OPCLoggerSetup.exe*" and click on it. The wizard wll then guide you through the installation.



3.2 Basic software operations

3.2.1 Open OPC Logger Project

OPC Logger project file is designed according to XML file format. So you can read or edit it by using word processing software.

To open the PLC Logger project, select **File > Load project file**.

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File	Edit	Action	About
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Select the OPC Logger project (*.xml). All OPC Logger project file is XML file extension.

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My Computer				
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After opening OPC Logger project file successfully, OPC Logger engine will prompt user whether to start OPC server datalogging.

PLC_Logger 🛛 🛛		
2	Start the OPC datalogging now ?	
	Yes No	

OPC Logger engine will show datalogging information message when all engine parameters and OPC tags to be monitored are valid and no errors.



Below is OPC Logger project example. It contains OPC server details, OPC group details and OPC tags to be monitored.



<u>3.2.2 OPC Logger Configuration</u>

OPC Logger engine must be configured before starting OPC tag data collection. Select **Edit > Configuration**.

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File	Edit Action About	
8	OPC Tag Browser	
1	 Configuration 	rOF/CDA.2
	Node:	
	- Group - Group	
	Update rate: 10 ms	
	Active: True	
<u> </u>	OPC tag	
	Numeric.Square	
Disk spa	ce: 122,951 MBytes.	Min. disk space required : 12,295 MBytes. 🛒

"File location" parameter is disk drive folder to keep the collected data files.

"**SQL location**" parameter is CSV file source path for Flatdata software integration.

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File Edit Action About	
	Configuration
Datalogging folder	
File location : C:\frenki\PLCLogger\PLC_L	.ogger\bin\Debug\CSVLog
SQL location : C:\frenki\PLCLogger\PLC_L	.ogger\bin\Debug\SQLLog
Option Min. disk space : 10 Mbytes. Enable minimun disk space warning Disk space available : 122,950 MBytes	
	Close
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The OPC Logger engine has an option to notify user whenever disk space is getting lower than the required disk space.

To use disk space monitoring option, you just check on **"Enable minimun disk space warning"**

Click on "Apply" button to activate the new OPC Logger configuration.

3.2.3 OPC Server Tag Browsing

The OPC Tag browser is used to view OPC tags that are being connected to OPC server and to set the OPC tags update rate, etc.

Select Edit > OPC Tag Browser.

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File Edit Action About	
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Disk space: 122,958 MBytes.	Min. disk space required : 12,296 MBytes.

Click on **Refresh** button to update the OPC servers that are being installed.

Once OPC Logger engine detects OPC servers, then OPC servers' name will be listed.

📕 OPC Tag Browser		
OPC Server	Add OPC Group	
ICONICS.SimulatorOPCDA.2	Group Name	Group1
	Update Rate (ms.)	10
	Deadband (%)	0
Node Name	Group Activ	/e
	Add Group	Remo

Select the OPC server in the list. Click on **Connect** button to establish OPC Logger engine and OPC server data connection.

Enter *OPC group name, update rate (ms)*, then click **"Add Group"** button to insert the OPC server group.

OPC Tag Browser	
OPC Server	Add OPC Group
ICONICS.SimulatorOPCDA.2	Group Name AC_room
	Update Rate (ms.) 10
	Deadband (%) 0
Node Name	Group Active
Connect	Add Group Remove Group
Logical Numeric Textual	_I4 _R4 _R8 Memory Ramp Random ReadCount Sine Square Step Trianglo
OPC Tag selected :	
	Remove
	Tag: 0
* <u>Apply</u>	Close

After inserting OPC server group, you can start to browse and insert the OPC tags into OPC Logger engine.

Select OPC tag tree folder and double-click on OPC tag in the list. The OPC tag will be added into OPC Logger engine automatically.

OPC Tag Browser	X
OPC Server	Add OPC Group
ICONICS.SimulatorOPCDA.2 Refresh	Group Name AC_room
	Update Rate (ms.) 10
	Deadband (%)
Node Name	Group Active
Connect Disconnect	Add Group Remove Group
frenki	Colors
	Memory
	Months
Textual	Numerals
	Weekdays
V	Weekadys
OPC Tag selected :	
Numeric.Random	Remove
Numeric.ReadCount	
A extual Weekdays	
	Tag: 4
Anniu	Close
Арруу	

Click on **Apply** button to add the selected OPC tags and start the OPC tag datalogging.

PLC log	ger 🔀	
2	Do you want to start OPC datalogging now ?	Image: PLC Logger version 2.90 Image: PLC Logger version 2.90 Datalogging is running. Target OPC Server: ICONICS.SimulatorOPCDA.2
	Yes No	

Click on **Yes** button to continue the OPC tag datalogging.

IMPORTANT :

- 1. Please take note that OPC Logger (Lite Edition) can monitor up to 10 OPC tags only.
- 2. OPC Logger (Lite Edition) does not support multi-instance datalogging.
- 3. For more information about OPC Logger software, please visit Flatware Company's website: <u>www.flatwareshock.tripod.com</u>

3.2.4 Start OPC Logger

Select Action > Start to start OPC Logger engine to collect the OPC server tags.

💻 PLC Logger - ICONICS.SimulatorOPCDA.2
File Edit Action About
🖃 🗃 OPC S. 🕨 Start
Stop
Node:
🖞 Active: True
🖨 🔫 Group
🔤 Update rate: 20 ms
Description:
Active: True
Deadband: 0 %
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Numeric[2
Logical.Square
I extual Weekdays
I extual Colors
Disk space: 122,958 MBytes. Min. disk space required : 12,296 MBytes.

OPC Logger engine can be started via system icon tray.

Right-click on on OPC Logger icon in the system tray, then select "Action > Start"

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	Exit		
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3.2.5 Stop OPC Logger

Select "Action > Stop" to stop OPC Logger engine.



Click on Yes button to continue.





3.2.6 Upgrade OPC Logger to Professional Edition_

OPC Logger (Lite Edition) can be upgraded to **Professional Edition** which support multi-instance datalogging and total OPC tags can be added is up to 100 tags.

Select "About > Upgrade software"

💻 PLC Logger (Main)					
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				ioftware version icense agreement veveloper website iheck product updates imail technical support team Ipgrade software	
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In Upgrade window, there is a software ID of OPC Logger that is being installed at your computer system.

Please write down this software ID and email it to Flatware Company's technical support team.

Upon software verification process, Flatware Company will email you the **Upgrade Code** to upgrade your software.

💻 PLC Logger - Upgrade your software. 🛛 🛛 🔀						
Flatware Always so simple (Lite Edition)						
Software ID : 873648190_\$\$C084M3ZR Upgrade code :						
Upgrade <u>C</u> lose						
Note: Please email "Software ID" to Flatware Company to generate your upgrade code.						

IMPORTANT :

- 1. OPC Logger (Professional Edition) is not a freeware.
- 2. Please contact Flatware Company for more information.

4. Integrate with FlatData DB conversion

FlatData software is a database conversion tool. It will import CSV data into MS-Access database.

To integrate OPC Logger software with FlatData, we must configure :

4.1. **"SQL location"** in OPC Logger software. It is disk drive path to keep CSV files.

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File Edit Action About	
	Configuration
CDatalogging folder	
File location : C:\frenki\PLCLogger\PLC_Lo	ogger\bin\Debug\CSVLog
SQL location : C:\frenki\PLCLogger\PLC_Lo	ogger\bin\Debug\SQLLog
Option	
Min. disk space : 10 Mbytes.	
Enable minimun disk space warning	
Disk space available : 122,950 MBytes	
	Close
Disk space: 122,950 MBytes.	Min. disk space required : 12,295 MBytes. $_{\rm eff}$

4.2. "CSV file source path" in Flatdata software.

Flatdata engine will browse the CSV file in disk drive path (as configured in "CSV file path" field). When CSV files are arrived at disk drive path, then Flatdata engine will open CSV file, then retrieve & validate the CSV data before exporting into database.

🤨 Flatdata - Confi	iguration (
Database - Acce	ess CSV setting				
After exporting	CSV file to database :				
Move CSV file to backup folder.					
O Delete	e CSV file.				
CSV file path :	C:\csv				
Backup folder :	c:\bckCSV				
	<u>Apply</u> <u>C</u> ancel				

5. References

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