



WORKSHOP: OPC UA AUF BASIS VON PYTHON

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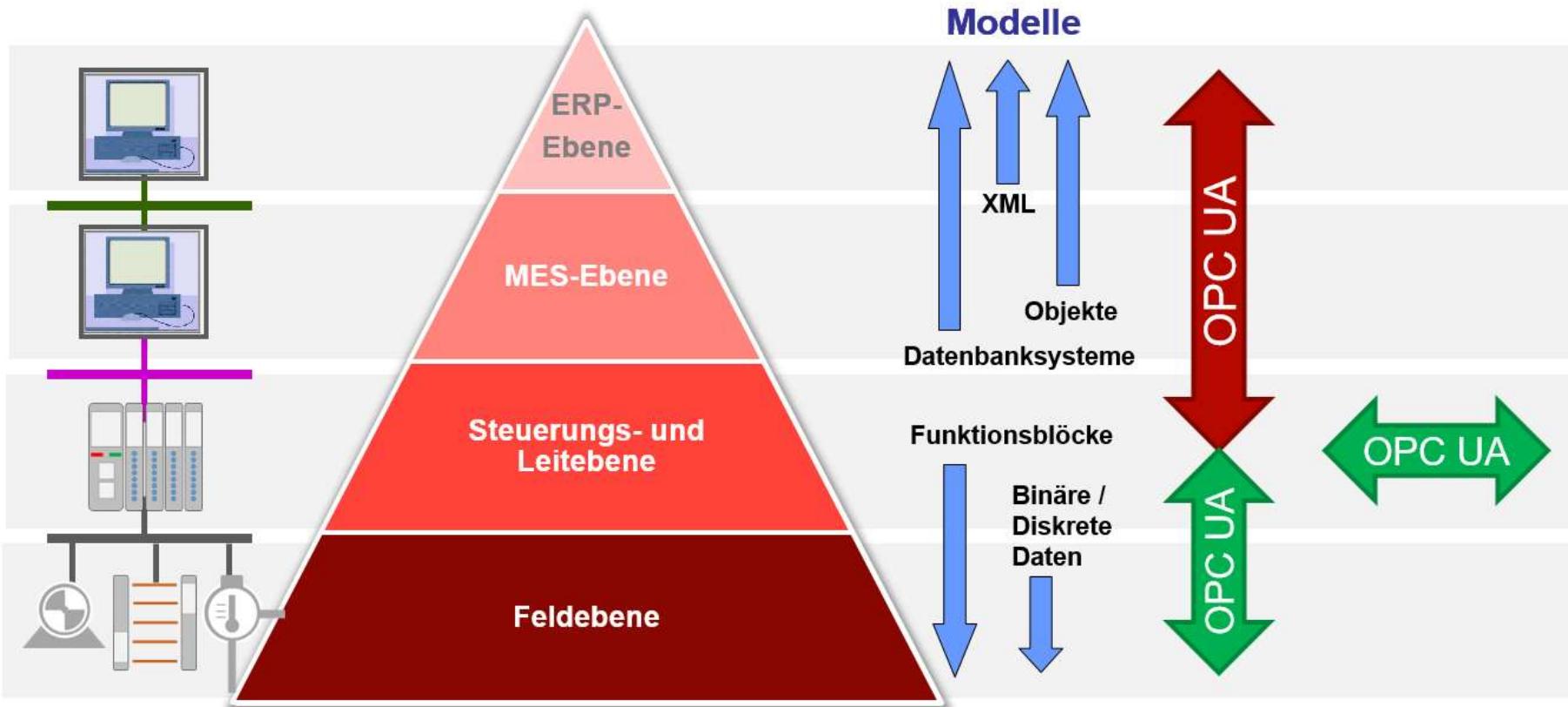
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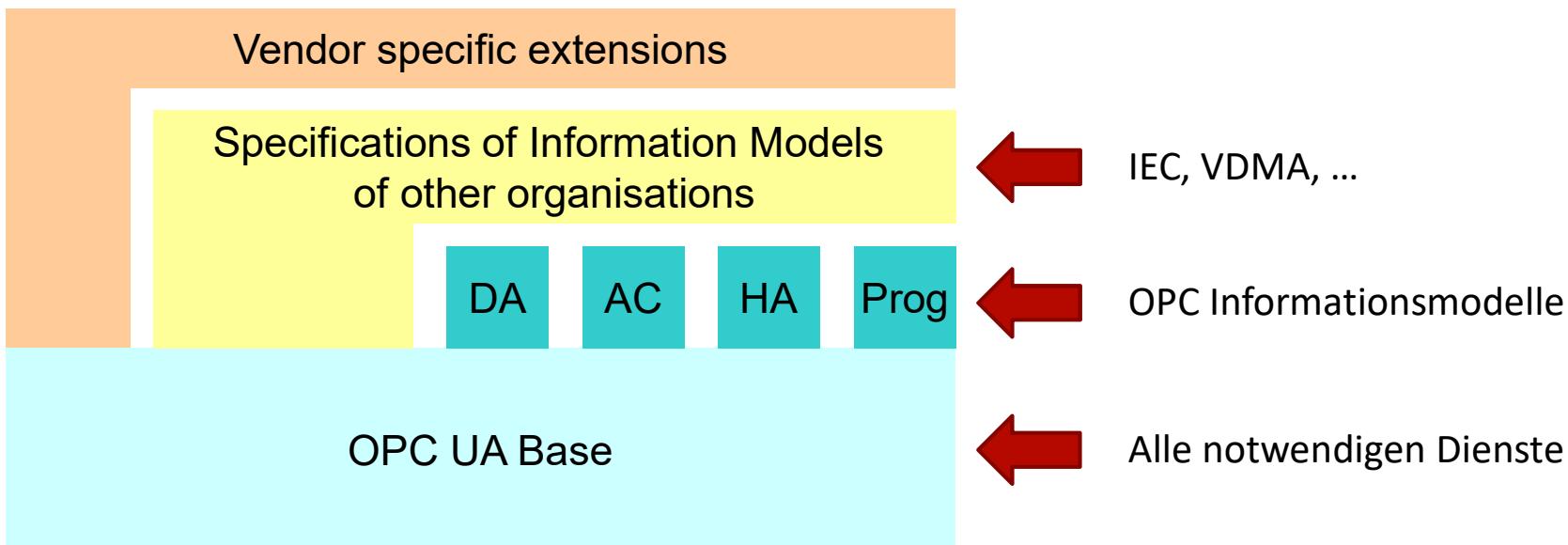
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Standardisierungsgremien und Industrieverbände erarbeiten gemeinsam mit den Herstellern und Anwendern von Kommunikationslösungen Spezifikationen zum Informationsaustausch auf Basis von OPC UA.





Warum sollte man sich mit OPC UA beschäftigen?

- Informations-Modelle, von Industrie-Gruppen erarbeitet und spezifiziert
- Gleichartige Maschinen / Systeme (Typen) enthalten gleichartige Datenmodelle
- Beispiele:
 - Roboter
 - Krane
 - Spritzgussmaschinen
 - Steuerungen, generisch





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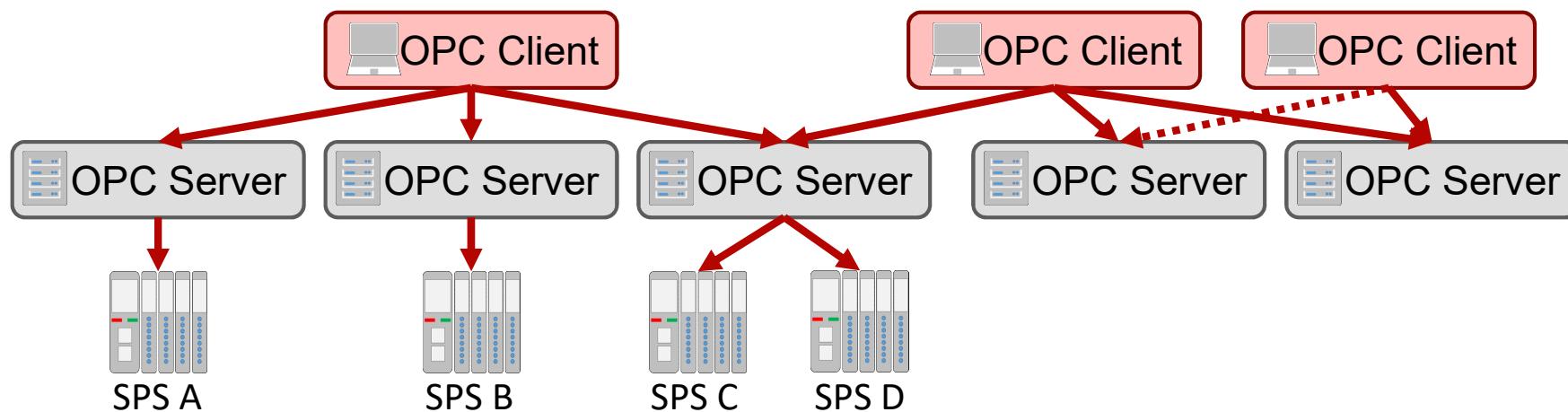
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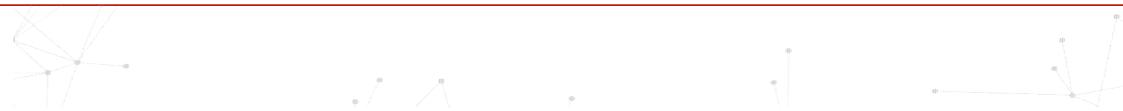
- OPC - Open Platform Communications
(vor 2011: OLE for Process Control, mit OLE - Object Linking and Embedding)
- UA - Unified Architecture - Plattformunabhängige Kommunikation
- Client – Server Architektur





Was ist eigentlich OPC UA

- OPC UA Spezifikationen
 - Part 1 – Concepts
 - Part 2 – Security Modell
 - Part 3 – Address Space Model
 - *Part 4 – Services*
 - Part 5 – Information Model
 - Part 6 – Service Mappings
 - Part 7 – Profiles
 - *Part 8 – Data Access*
 - Part 9 – Alarm and Conditions
 - Part 10 – Programs
 - Part 11 – Historical Access
 - Part 12 – Discovery
 - Part 13 – Aggregates
 - Part 14 – PubSub
 - Part 15 – Safety
- OPC Foundation: OPC UA Reference:
<https://reference.opcfoundation.org>
- Unified Automation, Viele Infos und C++ Stack:
<http://documentation.unified-automation.com/uasdkcpp/1.7.3/html/index.html>





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Wie programmiert man OPC UA Anwendungen?

- Notwendige Arbeitsschritte
 - Installation von Python
 - Entwicklungsumgebung (?)
 - Installation notwendiger Softwarebibliotheken
 - Installation eines generischen OPC UA Clients
 - 3 Beispiele: Programmierung mehrerer Server und Clients in Python





Installation von Python

- Warum?
 - Weite Verbreitung, Studenten haben oft Grundkenntnisse
 - Funktioniert auf Kleinstrechnern, Desktoprechnern, Cloud-Rechnern
 - Einfach zu nutzen (Interpreter)
- Was?
 - Python Foundation: <https://www.python.org/>
 - Download: <https://www.python.org/downloads/> (wir nutzen Version 3.10)
 - Dokumentation: <https://docs.python.org/3.10/>
- Wie?
 - Windows: Download und Ausführung der *Installationsdatei*
 - Linux (Ubuntu, Debian, Raspbian): *sudo apt install python3*





Entwicklungsumgebung (?)

SciTE (einfacher Editor, Open Source)

<https://www.scintilla.org/SciTEDownload.html>

Programmstart: F5



```
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1 import time
2 from opcua import ua, Server
3
4 namespace = "http://www.ifak.eu/opcua/test-api"
5 server_url = "opc.tcp://localhost:4840/freopcua/server/"
6
7 server = Server()
8 server.set_endpoint(server_url)
9 idx = server.register_namespace(namespace)
10 objects = server.get_objects_node()
11
12 myobj = objects.add_object(idx, "MyObject")
13 myvar = myobj.add_variable(idx, "MyVariable", 4.2)
14 myvar.set_writable() # Set MyVariable to be writable by clients
15
16 server.start()
17
18 - try:
19 -     count = 0
20 -     while True:
21 -         time.sleep(1)
22 -         count += 0.1
23 -         print("Server sends MyObject/MyVariable = " + str(count))
24 -         myvar.set_value(count)
25 - finally:
26 -     server.stop()
27

i=1 c=1 I=1 S=1 L=1 F=1
```

Visual Studio Code (IDE, Microsoft, Open Source)

<https://vscode.com/> oder <https://code.visualstudio.com/>

Programmstart: F5

Microsoft's vscode source code is open source (MIT-licensed), but the product available for download (Visual Studio Code) is licensed under [this not-FLOSS license](#) and contains telemetry/tracking. According to [this comment](#) from a Visual Studio Code maintainer: ...

The VSCodium project exists so that you don't have to download+build from source. This project includes special build scripts that clone Microsoft's vscode repo, run the build commands, and upload the resulting binaries for you to [GitHub releases](#). **These binaries are licensed under the MIT license. Telemetry is disabled.**



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Entwicklungsumgebung (?)

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Programmstart: F5

PyCharm (alternative vollstndige IDE)

<https://www.jetbrains.com/de-de/pycharm/>

Programmstart: Shift-F10

The screenshot shows the PyCharm IDE interface with the following details:

- Title Bar:** MethodsServerSimple - client-example.py
- Menu Bar:** File Edit View Navigate Code Refactor Run Tools VCS Window Help
- Toolbar:** Includes icons for Run, Stop, Run Configuration, Run History, Run Configuration Manager, and others.
- Project Tool Window:** Shows the project structure with files: MethodsServerSimple, client-example.py, server-methods.py, and External Libraries.
- Code Editor:** Displays the content of client-example.py. The code uses the CORBA IDL compiler (cc) to generate proxy and stub code for a service named MyFunctions. It connects to a server, finds the service object, calls the multiply method, and prints the result.

```
try:
    # connect the proxy with the server
    proxy.connect()

    # find the functions object node
    idx = proxy.get_namespace_index(namespace)
    objects = proxy.get_objects_node()
    functions_object = objects.get_child(f'{idx}:MyFunctions')

    # call the multiply function on server side
    result = functions_object.call_method(f'{idx}:multiply', 7, 8)
    print(f"7 * 8 = {result}")

finally:
    # disconnect the proxy from the server
    proxy.disconnect()
```

- Structure View:** Shows the structure of the generated code, including namespaces, server URLs, and proxies.
- Favorites:** A sidebar for quick access to favorite files or projects.
- Bottom Navigation:** Includes tabs for TODO, Problems, Terminal, Python Packages, Python Console, and Event Log, along with a message about switching to Java runtimes.



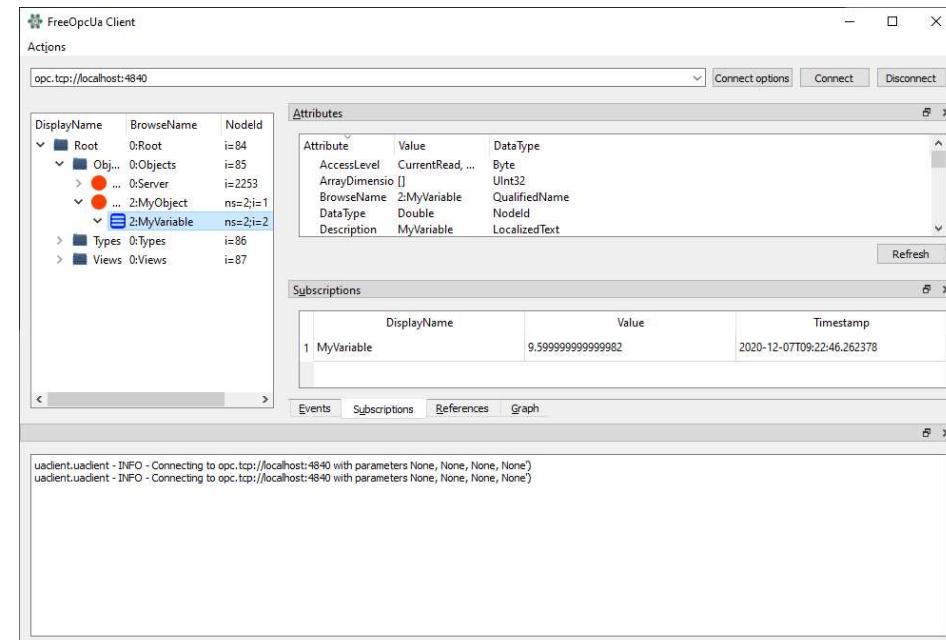
Installation notwendiger Softwarebibliotheken

- Paketverwaltungsprogramm: *pip* | *pip3* (kommt mit Python mit)
- Server von dem die Quellen kommen: <https://pypi.org/>
- Download der OPC UA Bibliothek
python -m pip install --user opcua
- Informationen über diese Bibliothek
 - Freier Quellcode: <https://github.com/FreeOpcUa>
 - Dokumentation: <https://python-opcua.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>
 - Beispiele: <https://github.com/FreeOpcUa/python-opcua/tree/master/examples>



Installation eines generischen OPC UA Clients

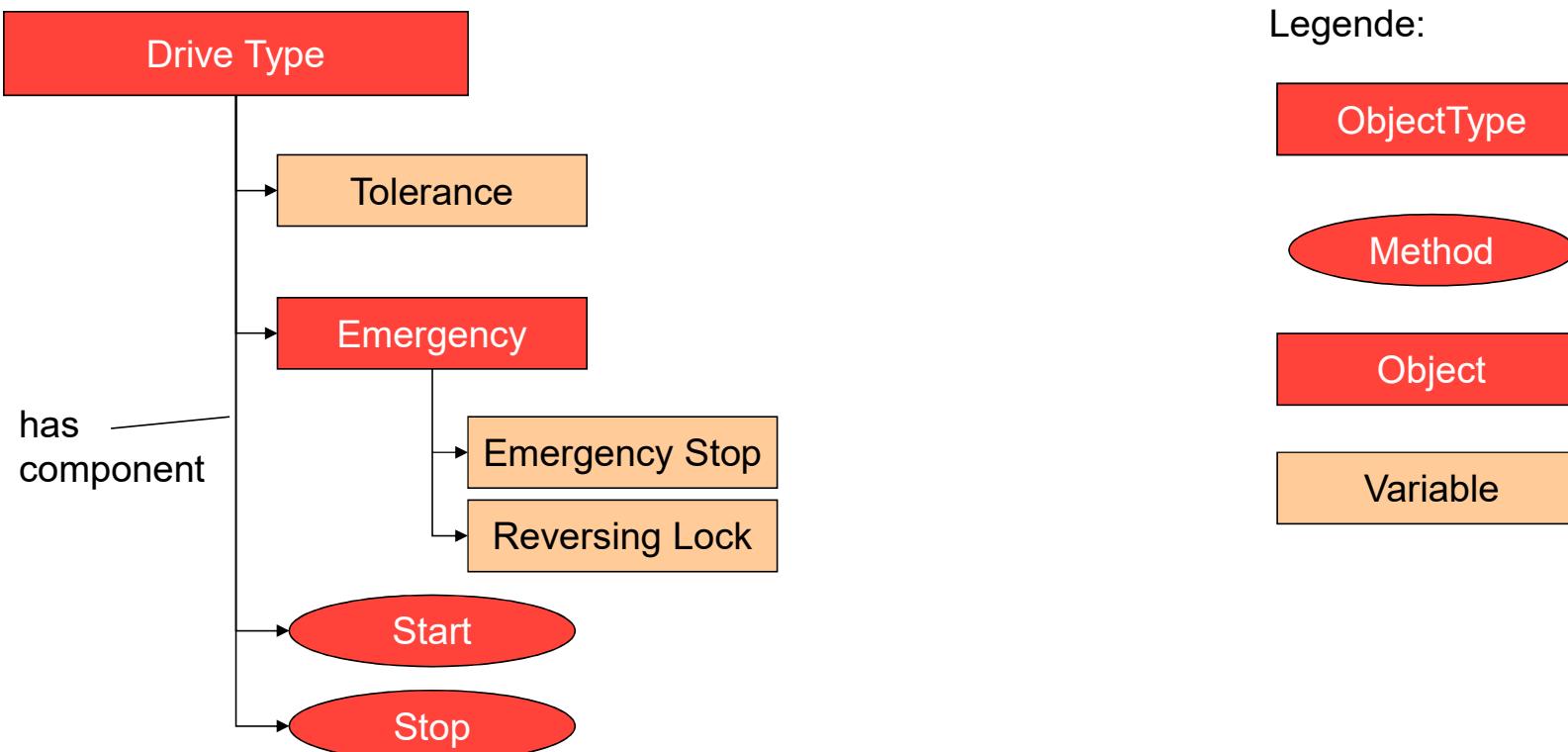
- Installation via pip:
`python -m pip install --user opcua-client`
- Starten des Clients
`opcua-client`
- Standard-Adresse
`opc.tcp://localhost:4840`



- Umfangreichere Alternativen:
 - <https://integrationobjects.com/sioth-opc/sioth-opc-unified-architecture/opc-ua-client/>
 - <https://www.unified-automation.com/products/development-tools/uaexpert.html>



OPC UA Knotentypen



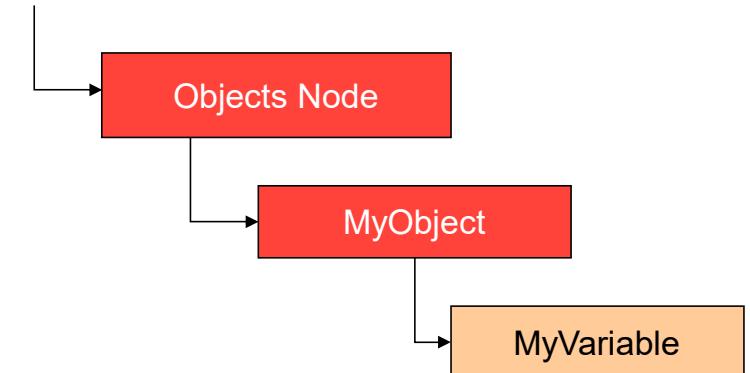
Data Access: Server

```

1 import time
2 from opcua import ua, Server
3
4 namespace = "http://www.ifak.eu/opcua/test-api"
5 server_url = "opc.tcp://localhost:4840/freeopcua/server/"
6
7 server = Server()
8 server.set_endpoint(server_url)
9 idx = server.register_namespace(namespace)
10 objects = server.get_objects_node()
11
12 myobj = objects.add_object(idx, "MyObject")
13 myvar = myobj.add_variable(idx, "MyVariable", 4.2)
14 myvar.set_writable()      # Set MyVariable to be writable by clients
15
16 server.start()
17
18 - try:
19     count = 0
20 -     while True:
21         time.sleep(1)
22         count += 0.1
23         print(f"Server updates MyObject/MyVariable = {str(count)}")
24         myvar.set_value(count)
25 - finally:
26     server.stop()

```

OPC UA Server: *opc.tcp://localhost:4840/freeopcua/server/*





Data Access: Client

```
from opcua import Client

namespace = "http://www.ifak.eu/opcua/test-api"
server_url = "opc.tcp://localhost:4840/freeopcua/server/"
client = Client(server_url)

try:
    client.connect()
    idx = str(client.get_namespace_index(namespace))
    objects = client.get_objects_node()
    print("Client receives: " + str(objects.get_child([idx+":MyObject", idx+":MyVariable"]).get_value()))
finally:
    client.disconnect()
```





Methodenaufruf: Server

```

1  from opcua import ua, uamethod, Server
2  import time
3
4  # configuration parameters of the server
5  namespace = "http://www.ifak.eu/opcua/test-api"
6  server_url = "opc.tcp://localhost:4840/freeopcua/server/"  # open for everybody: "0.0.0.0:4840"
7
8  # here is the function, which we want to publish over OPC UA
9  @uamethod
10 -def multiply(parent, x, y):
11     print("multiply method call with parameters: ", x, y)
12     return x * y
13
14 # instantiation of the server and basic configuration
15 server = Server()
16 server.set_endpoint(server_url)
17 server.set_server_name("FreeOpcUa Method Server")
18 idx = server.register_namespace(namespace)
19
20 # get Objects node, this is where we should put our custom stuff
21 objects = server.get_objects_node()
22 my_functions = objects.add_object(idx, "MyFunctions")
23
24 # prepare in/out variables for multiply
25 x, x.Name, x.DataType = ua.Argument(), "x", ua.NodeId(ua.ObjectIds.Int64)
26 y, y.Name, y.DataType = ua.Argument(), "y", ua.NodeId(ua.ObjectIds.Int64)
27 result, result.Name, result.DataType = ua.Argument(), "Result", ua.NodeId(ua.ObjectIds.Int64)
28 my_functions.add_method(idx, "multiply", multiply, [x, y], [result])
29
30 -try:
31     # start the server
32     server.start()
33     print("Multiply OPC UA server started ...")
34
35     # here follows a trick in order to wait for keyboard interrupt CTRL-C
36     - while True:
37         time.sleep(3)
38
39 - finally:
40     # in all cases stop the server
41     server.stop()
42     print("Multiply OPC UA server stopped.")

```





Methodenaufruf: Client

```
1  from opcua import Client
2
3  # configuration parameters of the server
4  namespace = "http://www.ifak.eu/opcua/test-api"
5  server_url = "opc.tcp://localhost:4840/freeopcua/server/"
6
7  # instantiate the client
8  proxy = Client(server_url)
9
10 -try:
11     # connect the proxy with the server
12     proxy.connect()
13
14     # find the functions object node
15     idx = proxy.get_namespace_index(namespace)
16     objects = proxy.get_objects_node()
17     functions_object = objects.get_child(f"{idx}:MyFunctions")
18
19     # call the multiply function on server side
20     result = functions_object.call_method(f"{idx}:multiply", 7, 8)
21     print(f"7 * 8 = {result}")
22
23 -finally:
24     # disconnect the proxy from the server
25     proxy.disconnect()
```





Excel-Tabelle mit OPC UA Daten befüllen: Server

```

import random
import time
from opcua import ua, Server

# configuration parameters of the server
namespace = "http://www.ifax.eu/opcua/test-api"
server_url = "opc.tcp://localhost:4840/freeopcua/server/"

# instantiation of the server and basic configuration
server = Server()
server.set_endpoint(server_url)
idx = server.register_namespace(namespace)
objects = server.get_objects_node()

# define variables
myobj = objects.add_object(idx, "Machine")
up_time = myobj.add_variable(idx, "UpTime", 4.2)
up_time.set_writable()
product_counter = myobj.add_variable(idx, "ProductCounter", 4.2)
product_counter.set_writable()

# start the OPC UA server
server.start()

try:
    # initialize the process variables
    t_start = time.time()
    product_counter_value = 0

    # continuously update variables
    while True:
        # sleep one second ...
        time.sleep(1)

        # update the process variable values
        up_time_value = time.time() - t_start
        product_counter_value += 10 + random.randint(0, 3)

        # message on server side
        print(f"Process variables: up-time = {up_time_value:.2f} seconds, total produced products = {product_counter_value}")

        # update the values in the server address space
        up_time.set_value(up_time_value)
        product_counter.set_value(product_counter_value)

finally:
    # in any case: stop the server
    server.stop()

```





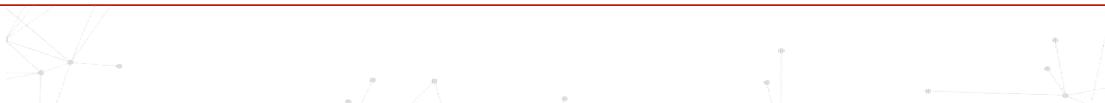
Excel-Tabelle mit OPC UA Daten befüllen: Client

```

1 import time
2 import win32com.client as win32
3 from opcua import Client
4 import os
5
6
7 # configuration parameters of the server
8 namespace = "http://www.ifak.eu/opcua/test-api"
9 server_url = "opc.tcp://localhost:4840/freeopcua/server/"
10
11 # init Excel and load a predefined table
12 excel_application = win32.Dispatch('Excel.Application')
13 filepath = os.path.join(os.getcwd(), 'ProcessMgmt.xlsx')
14 excel_file = excel_application.Workbooks.Open(filepath)
15 excel_sheet = excel_file.ActiveSheet
16 excel_application.Visible = True
17 row = 6 # start with data entries in row 6
18
19 # instantiate the client accessing the server
20 proxy = Client(server_url)
21 - try:
22     # connect to the server and create a reference to the objects node
23     proxy.connect()
24     idx = str(proxy.get_namespace_index(namespace))
25     objects = proxy.get_objects_node()
26
27     # continuously update some cells in Excel
28     - while True:
29         time.sleep(2) # every 2 seconds ...
30
31         # ... update the index in the Excel table
32         excel_sheet.Cells(row, 1).Value = row - 5
33
34         # ... update the uptime of the machine in the Excel table
35         up_time = str(objects.get_child([idx+":Machine", idx+":UpTime"]).get_value())
36         excel_sheet.Cells(row, 2).Value = up_time
37         excel_sheet.Cells(2, 4).Value = up_time
38
39         # ... update the number of produced products in the Excel table
40         product_count = str(objects.get_child([idx+":Machine", idx+":ProductCounter"]).get_value())
41         excel_sheet.Cells(row, 3).Value = product_count
42         excel_sheet.Cells(3, 4).Value = product_count
43
44         # for the next entry: update the row counter
45         row += 1
46
47 - finally:
48     # in any case disconnect from server and close Excel
49     proxy.disconnect()
50     excel_file.Close(False)
51     excel_application.Application.Quit()

```

→ *pip install --user pywin32*





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Ausblick

- Zugriff auf Siemens-Steuerungen (S7)

Ubuntu

If you are using Ubuntu you can use the Ubuntu packages from our [launchpad PPA](#). To install:

```
$ sudo add-apt-repository ppa:gijzelaar/snap7
$ sudo apt-get update
$ sudo apt-get install libsnap7-1 libsnap7-dev
```

- MODBUS TCP ...
- MQTT ...
- **Security: Nutzen Sie FreeOPCUA im Intranet oder verschlüsseln Sie die Verbindung!**
 - <https://github.com/FreeOpcUa/python-opcua/blob/master/examples/server-with-encryption.py>
 - <https://github.com/FreeOpcUa/python-opcua/blob/master/examples/client-with-encryption.py>





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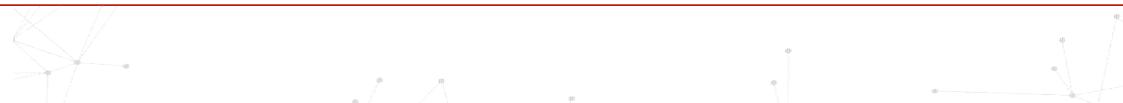


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