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1 Introduction

1.1 Description

SIMOTION Trace Connector is a web-based application running on SIEMENS Industrial Edge V1.0. The SIMOTION Trace Connector can configure and execute tracejobs via the SIMOTION webserver interface and download the recorded traced data to the Edge device. Beside storing the recorded data in the database of the SIMOTION Trace Connector App, the recorded data is also published on the Edge Databus via MQTT.

1.2 Requirements

For the Version 1.2.0 of the application SIMOTION Trace Connector the following requirements are necessary:

- **"WebServer & OPC XML DA":**
The WebServer of the SIMOTION needs to be activated. This also enables automatically the used OPC XML DA protocol.
- **"Open ports":**
port 80 for Webserver and OPC XML DA
- **"SIMOTION Firmware Version"**
Firmware Version needs to be V4.4 or newer (only DXXX-2 series hardware are supported)
- **"Industrial Edge Device with 1.9.0-27 or higher"**
- **Supported Industrial Edge Devices**

Device	SIMATIC IPC127E	SIMATIC IPC227E	SIMATIC IPC427E	SIMATIC IPC847E
MLFB	6AG4021-0AD11-0CB0 6AG4021-0AD12-0CB0	6ES7647-8BD31-0CW1	6AG4141-5BC30-0FW8	6AG4114-3RR15-0WY0

NOTICE	The app is currently not tested on WinCC Comfort Panels with integrated Edge functionality
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1.3 Application structure

Home	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• "Home": Home tab gives an overview about recently recorded tracejobs and tracejob errors
SIMOTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• "SIMOTION": In the SIMOTION tab the connection of one or more SIMOTION controllers to the Trace Connector app can be setup by entering the IP address of the webserver
Variables	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• "Variables": Variables tab is used for preselection possible variables later used for trace configuration
Tracejobs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• "Tracejobs": Tracejobs tab is used to define tracejobs. When defining a tracejob several options are available to set up the tracejob configuration, e.g. trigger conditions, scheduling
Logbook	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• "Logbook": Logbook tab provides an overview over all recorded and saved tracejobs. Recorded traces can be visualized and downloaded to the PC in different formats
About	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• "About": About tab provides current application version and information about third-party software

2 User documentation

2.1 Create MQTT topic in IE Databus

The SIMOTION Trace Connector uses the MQTT protocol to communicate with the Edge Environment. The application publishes and subscribes to MQTT topics in the system application IE Databus.

To set-up the IE Databus application the user needs to configure a default user and password, which will be used for database connection and default MQTT topic under which trace data will be published. Default topic/user/password should be manually created at the beginning. For default configuration user needs to:

1. Open the IE Databus application and Launch the Configurator
2. Add an user in the “User View” by clicking on “Add User”
3. Enter the following information (**Error! Reference source not found.**)

Topic: SIMOTIONTraceConnector/#

Username: edge

Password: edge

Permission: Publish and Subscribe

4. Click on “OK”

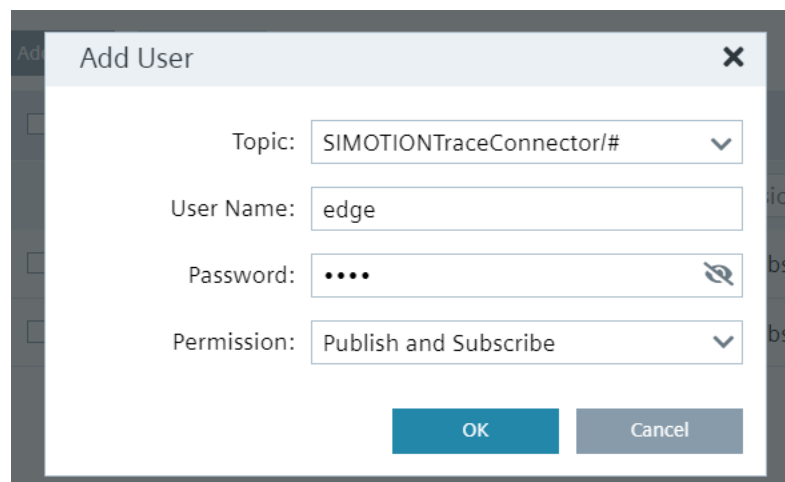


Figure 1 Default user and topic creation

The default topic will later be used for tracejob creation. If the user will not specify another MQTT topic all trace data will be published under the default “SIMOTIONTraceConnector/#”.

If the user wants to publish trace data under another MQTT topic, the user can create a new topic under the user “edge”. In example below a custom “fft” topic was created. (**Error! Reference source not found.**)

NOTICE

all topics should be created under “edge” user and “edge” password. These credentials are used for further Edge environment connection and cannot be changed

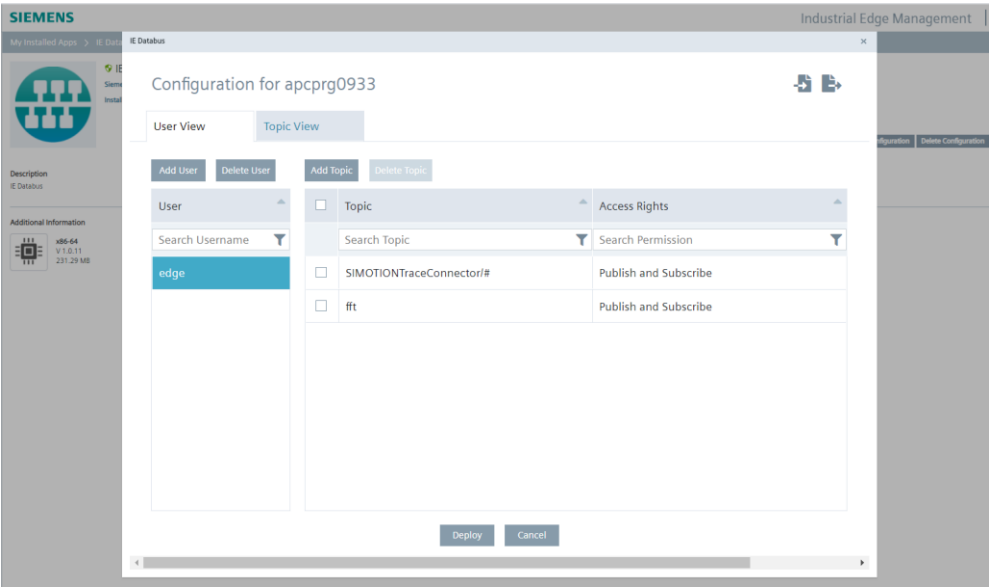


Figure 2 IE Databus custom topic

2.2 SIMOTION

The “SIMOTION” tab contains a table with detailed information about the connected SIMOTIONS and a button to connect new ones. The table includes SIMOTION type, serial number, firmware version, buffer size, cycle time, IP address and status. The entries in the table can be modified and deleted.

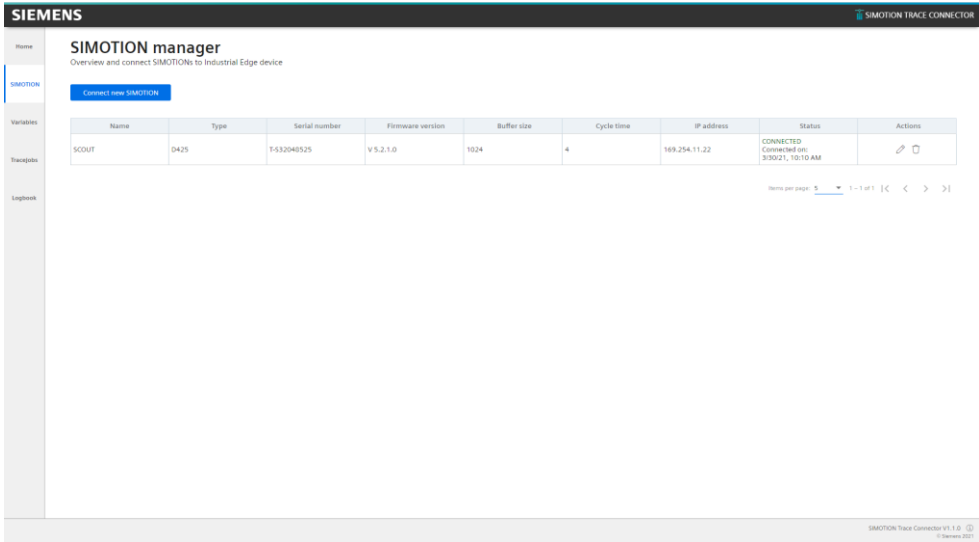


Figure 3 SIMOTION Manager

2.2.1 Connect new SIMOTION

The process of connection a new SIMOTION requires the correct IP address and a SIMOTION name. The given SIMOTION name represents the device only in the SIMOTION Trace Connector Application. The application uses the SIMOTION webserver and OPC XML DA protocol to test the connection.

To connect a new SIMOTION:

1. Click “Connect new SIMOTION” button. “Connect new SIMOTION” popup will be shown
2. Enter the correct IP address and SIMOTION name
3. Click on “Test connection” button to verify the connection
4. Click on “Save” button

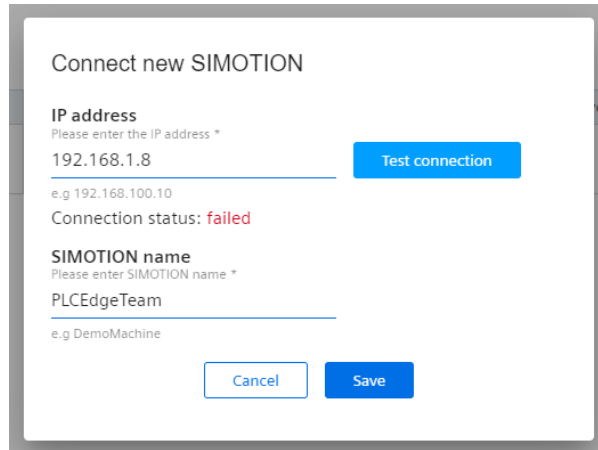


Figure 4 Connect new SIMOTION

NOTICE please note that IP address should be unique in this network

If the SIMOTION was accessible and connection status was “success” the new SIMOTION will be shown in a table with loaded information. If the connection status was “failed” the SIMOTION will be added to the table without additional information.

2.2.2 Edit SIMOTION

To edit SIMOTION information, click on the “Edit” icon. “Edit SIMOTION” popup window should be opened. IP address and SIMOTION name can be modified here. “Edit” functionality is similar to Connect new SIMOTION2.2.1

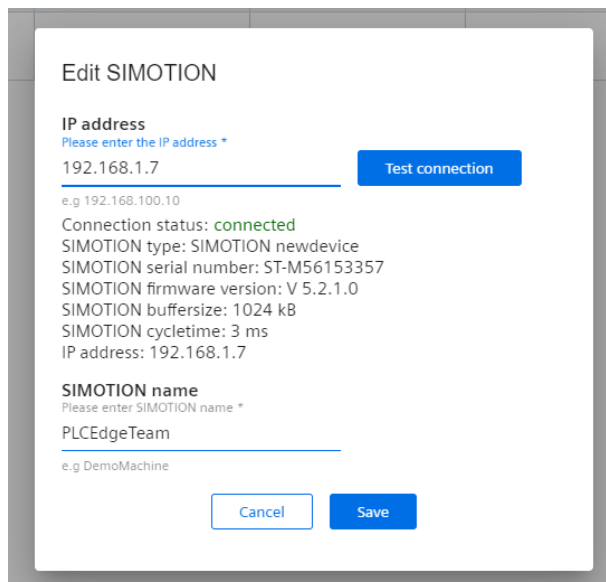


Figure 5 Edit SIMOTION

2.2.3 Delete SIMOTION

To delete selected SIMOTION:

1. Click on “Delete” icon in “Action” column of selected table row. “Delete confirmation” popup should be opened (**Error! Reference source not found.**)
2. Click “OK” button

After successful SIMOTION deletion information in the SIMOTION table will be updated automatically

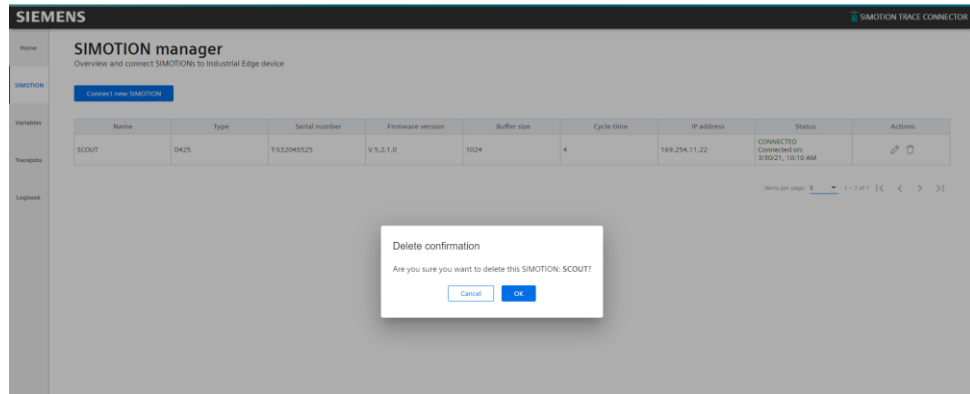


Figure 6 Delete SIMOTION

2.3 Variables

The “Variables” tab allows a user to preselect variables that will later be used to configure the tracejobs. The preselection must be done for each SIMOTION separately.

NOTICE

variable browsing function will only work with an activated WebServer on the SIMOTION controller. By default, the service is activated

After selecting a SIMOTION, the user can browse the variables loaded via OPCXML protocol and preselect them.

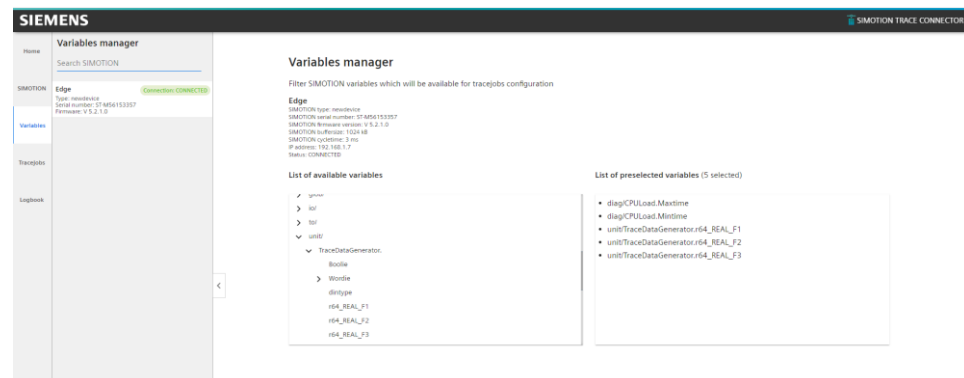


Figure 7 Variables manager

From the variables tree in the “List of available variables” the accessible variables can be freely selected. Click on them and they will automatically appear in “List of preselected variables” (**Error! Reference source not found.**). To remove variables from the “List of preselected variables” click on the variable name, and it will be automatically deleted if it is not used by trace.

The attempt to delete a variable which is currently selected in some tracejob results in a pop-up error message (**Error! Reference source not found.**).

NOTICE

variable that is set up in some trace cannot be deleted from “List of preselected variables”

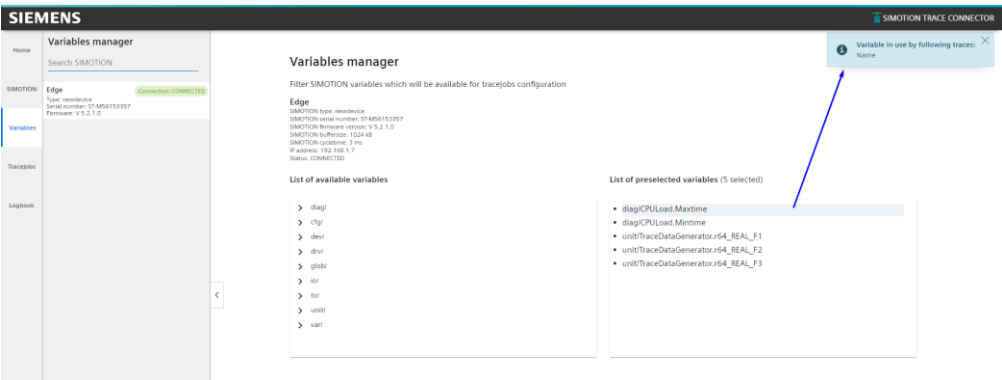


Figure 8 Variable deletion

2.4 Tracejobs

The “Tracejobs” tab allows user to configure and schedule traces for each setup SIMOTION controller. For the SIMOTION selected from the list, all defined tracejobs are listed in a table. Tracejobs table contains basic information about traces and it is possible to start, edit, duplicate and delete a tracejob configuration. The tracejobs are ordered according to their “date of change”, with the newest date on top of the list.

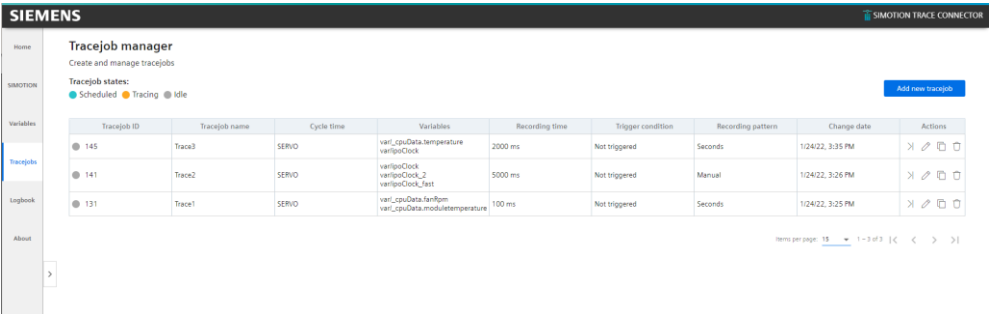


Figure 9 Tracejob Manager

2.4.1 Create new tracejob

To create a new tracejob click on the “Add New Tracejob” button. In the opened “Add New Tracejob” window it is possible to configure different options.

Add new tracejob

☒ Set tracejob active
☐ Disable storing of trace

Write a name and description * Trace name *

Trace description

Cyclotime

Select the cycle clock for the trace Servo cycle clock

Select the variables for the trace (max. 32) Select variables

Selected variables:

- ☐ unit/SawGenerator.y_saw1
- ☐ unit/SineGenerator.y_Multsin1
- ☐ unit/SineGenerator.y_sin1
- ☐ unit/SineGenerator.y_sin2
- ☐ unit/SineGenerator.y_sin3
- ☐ unit/SineGenerator.y_sin4
- ☐ unit/TriggerGenerator.y_trigger1
- ☐ unit/TriggerGenerator.y_trigger2

Cancel Save

Enter trace recording time (duration) * Max value for the current config 524287 ms

1 ms

Trigger condition

Cancel Save

Figure 10 Tracejob configuration window

The following options can be configured within the configuration window (Figure 9):

- "Set tracejob active" checkbox activates the configured tracejob when it saved. Enable the tracejob.
- "Disable storing of trace" checkbox enables or disables storing of trace data within SIMOTION Trace Connector application. If checkbox is marked, recorded traces will be forwarded via MQTT but not stored. In use cases of high frequent tracing, storing of traces might cause overload in IED storage space.
- "Name" is required non-unique field. This name will be associated with a tracejob for better identification
- "Description" allows to attach a description of the tracejob
- "Cycle time" allows to select according to which SIMOTION cycle time clock the samples are going to be recorded. Default cycle type option is Servo Cycle clock. Other options are:
 - Servo Cycle clock,
 - IPO Cycle clock
 - IPO 2 Cycle clock.
- "Variable selection" is required field which allows to select variables from preselected variables defined in the "Variable" tab 2.3. All selected variables will be traced. Maximum number of variables for one trace is 32.

- "Recording time" is a required field in milliseconds. It defines the length of the trace recording time. The maximum recording time is calculated based on previous inputs: cycle time and variable selection, and is displayed above the input field
- "Trigger information" Input for trigger information is required. It allows to configure the trigger event of the tracejob. The different options are:
 - Not triggered (default option). The tracejob can be triggered manually or scheduled. It will not be triggered automatically.
 - Trigger on variable - Positive Edge. Defined variable will trigger the tracejob when the value is positive cross the configured threshold. Default threshold value is 0.
 - Trigger on variable - Negative Edge. Defined variable will trigger the tracejob when the value is negative cross the configured threshold. Default value of the threshold is 0.
 - Trigger on variable – Within a tolerance band. Defined variable will trigger the tracejob when the value is between the 2 specified limits.
 - Trigger on variable – Outside a tolerance band. Defined variable will trigger the tracejob when the value is outside the range of 2 specified limits.
 - Trigger on variable – Bit Pattern. Defined variable will trigger the tracejob when it has the same bit pattern as the comparison pattern. The bit mask and bit pattern are required in this case
- "Recording pattern" allows to schedule the tracejob on regular basis. By default, the tracejob is triggered based on a manual trigger event. The scheduler offers the following recording patterns:
 - Manual
 - Once
 - Seconds
 - Minutes
 - Hours
 - Weeks
 - Months
 - Continuously

Further the start time and end time can be set by time or number of executions.

- "MQTT topic" allows the user to publish the recorded tracejob data on the internal SIMATIC IE Databus. By default if no MQTT topic is specified, the application will publish the recorded data as a json-file under, the default topic with following credentials:

User: edge

Password: edge

Topic: SIMOTIONTraceConnector/#

If the user wants to publish the trace data to another MQTT topic, he needs to specify it and input the topic name. The MQTT topic name needs to be created in the IE Databus application in advance with a default user: edge; password: edge.

For any MQTT topic the user will receive separate files for each variable and one file with all variables included. The Files will have a following path:

SIMOTIONTraceConnector/
name
SIMOTIONTraceConnector/ SIMOTION-name/tracejobID/fulltrace

NOTICE

it is not possible to schedule a tracejob if there is a time collision with an existing one

After the configuration of the tracejob the user needs to click on the “Save” button and the tracejob will be automatically added to the tracejobs table.

2.4.2 Tracejob status

The colored button in the front of each line indicate the status of the tracejob.

- **Aqua blue**: tracejob is scheduled and waiting for execution e.g. based on the scheduler
- **Orange**: tracejob is currently tracing
- **Gray**: tracejob is idle. Configured tracejob but not scheduled or running

A newly configured tracejob is automatically set as active by default. Because checkbox in the upper left corner “Set tracejob active” is checked. So, if user is not deselecting the checkbox manually and a recording pattern other than manual is selected then this new tracejob will show up in the list of tracejobs with a green circle in front of the tracejob ID.

NOTICE

multiple tracejobs can be “active” at the same time in the scheduler

Tracejob manager
Create and manage tracejobs

Tracejob states:
● Scheduled ● Tracing ● Idle

[Add new tracejob](#)

Tracejob ID	Tracejob name	Cycle time	Variables	Recording time	Trigger condition	Recording pattern	Change date	Actions
145	Trace3	SERVO	var1_cpuData.temperature var1poClock	2000 ms	Not triggered	Seconds	1/24/22, 3:35 PM	
141	Trace2	SERVO	var1poClock var1poClock_2 var1poClock_fast	5000 ms	Not triggered	Manual	1/24/22, 3:26 PM	
131	Trace1	SERVO	var1_cpuData.fanRpm var1_cpuData.moduletemperature	100 ms	Not triggered	Seconds	1/24/22, 3:25 PM	

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Figure 11 Tracejob list with active tracejobs

2.4.3 Scheduling order/ process flow

SIMOTION can execute only one tracejob at a time, tracejob collision is not possible. In the Trace Connector application several tracejob sequences can be configured and be active at the same time but can't be executed together. If the user tries to schedule a tracejob in a time slot that collide with an existing scheduled tracejob, the user will receive notification message with an error.

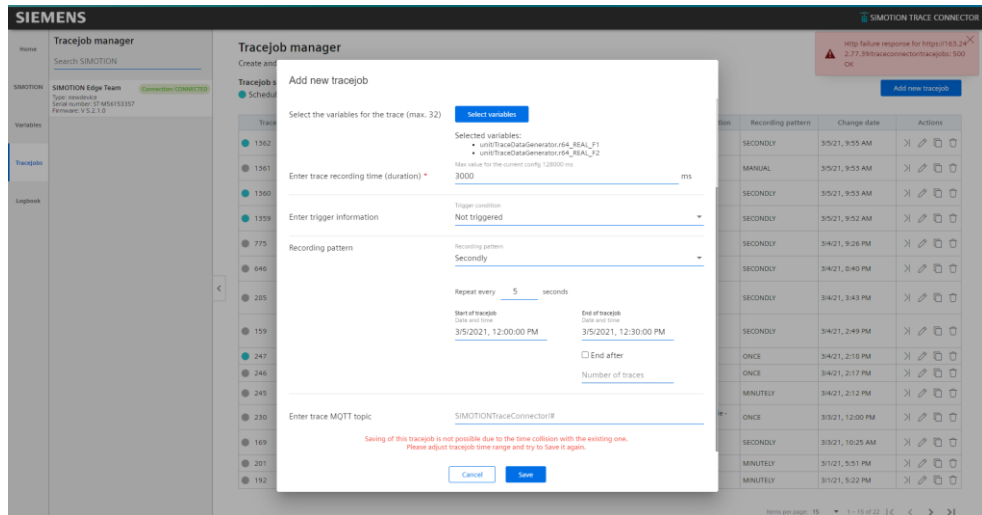


Figure 12 Tracejob collision error

It is possible to have multiple active tracejobs in a same time. For example, one tracejob sequence can be executed weekly and one daily if their end date has not come, both will be showed as active in the application.

In a case of Manual triggering Trace Connector put tracejobs in a queue and execute them one by one, not overwriting traces. Tracejobs are sent to SIMOTION based on FIFO (First In First Out) principle, so after one tracejob is finished, next one is taken. Manual tracejobs are put in a queue and executed when the next time slot is available.

Since multiple trace jobs can be active at the same time it is necessary to understand the sequence of operation of the tracejob scheduler. Following chart can help to understand this process:

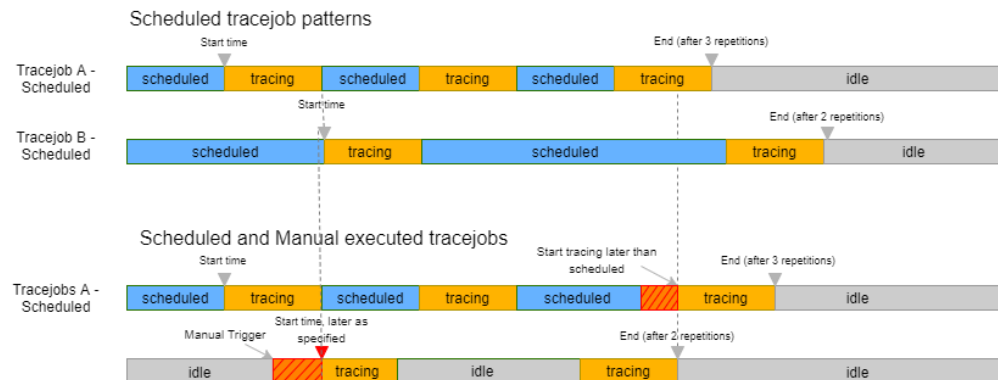


Figure 13 Difference between specified tracejob patterns and executed tracejob patterns

2.4.4 Edit tracejob

An already existing tracejob can be modified by clicking on the edit icon in the "Actions" column of the table. In opened "Edit tracejob" model user can modify needed fields and save them by clicking on a "Save" button. "Edit" functionality is similar to "Create new tracejob" functionality.

Edit tracejob

☐ Set tracejob active
☐ Disable storing of trace

Write a name and description *

Trace name *
TestTrigger

Trace description

Select the cycle clock for the trace

Cycletime
Servo cycle clock

Select the variables for the trace (max. 32)

Select variables

Selected variables:

- unit/SawGenerator.y_saw1
- unit/SineGenerator.y_Multsin1

Max value for the current config 262143 ms

Enter trace recording time (duration) *

5000 ms

Enter trigger information

Trigger condition
Not triggered

Recording pattern

Recording pattern
Once

Start of tracejob
Date and time
4/25/2023, 11:20:58 AM

Cancel Save

Figure 14 Edit tracejob

2.4.5 Delete tracejob

To delete a selected Tracejob:

1. Click on "Delete" icon in "Action" column of selected table row. "Delete confirmation" popup window should be opened (**Error! Reference source not found.**)
2. Click "OK" button

After successful tracejob deletion information in the tracejob table will be updated automatically.

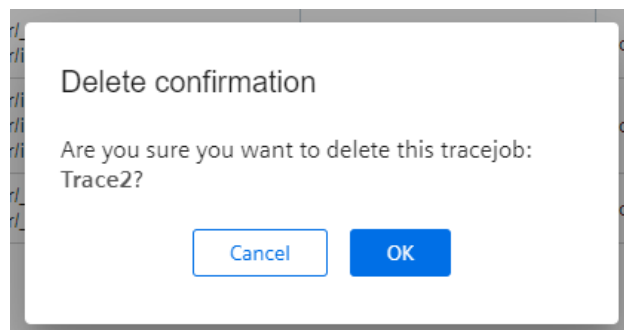


Figure 15 Tracejob delete confirmation

2.4.6 Tracejob scheduling and execution

The scheduling and automatic execution of a series of tracejobs is one of the main features of the SIMOTION Trace Connector. A built-in scheduler monitors the

configured recording patterns of all active trace jobs. Shortly before a tracejob needs to be executed it is sent to the SIMOTION controller for execution when there is currently no trace being run (see Figure 12)

There are several selection options for the recording pattern which can be clustered in 4 groups:

- **No recording pattern (default setting):**

Selector **“Manual”**:

No scheduling is applied to the tracejob.

Regardless whether the check box “set tracejob active” is ticked or not the tracejob will be listed in the tracejob list as idle. To execute this tracejob its run icon needs to be clicked.

- **One-time recording:**

Selector **“Once”**:

This leads to a single execution of the tracejob at the specified date and time.

After the first time configuration of this tracejob it will be set as active (default) and wait for the time trigger of its execution.

- **Repetitive recording:**

Selector **“secondly”, “minutely”, “hourly”, “daily”, “weekly”, “monthly”**:

The tracejob is executed between the set “start of tracejob” and “end of tracejob” date and time with the specified repetition cycle.

As an alternative to a specified end date of the recording pattern a number of repetition cycles can be chosen. To do so the user needs to select “End after” and input the number of cycles, instead of an end date. After the number of specified trace jobs was executed the scheduling will stop, and the tracejob will become idle.

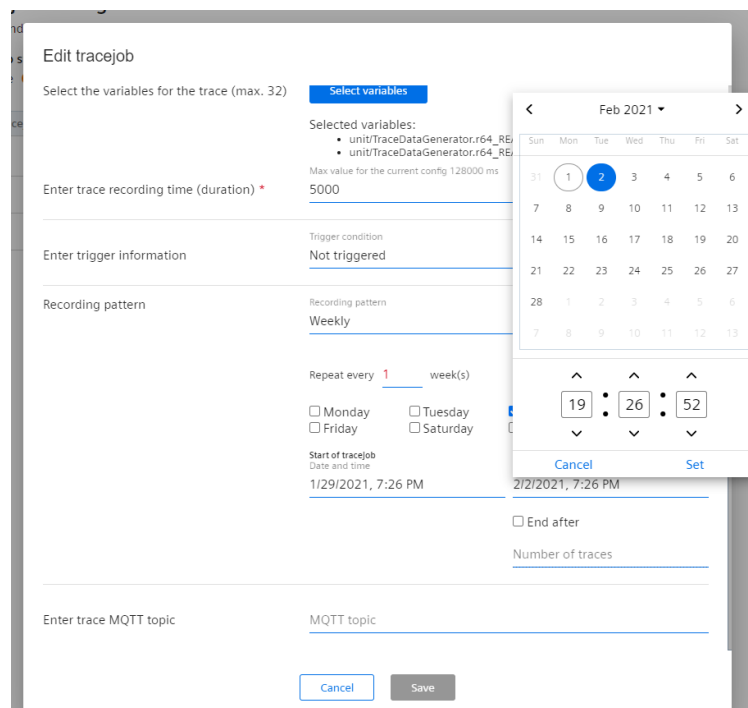


Figure 16 Tracejob configuration window with time picker for start / end date of a recording pattern

In **Error! Reference source not found.** a weekly repetitive recording pattern is selected. The selection of a start and end date of the tracejob defines the time range while the trace job is active. In the example above (**Error! Reference**

source not found.) the tracejob is active between December 1st at 2:00 p.m. and December 31st at 3:00 p.m.. However the tracejob will be only sent to the SIMOTION controller for execution on Wednesdays during the specified time range starting at 2:00 p.m.. This results in a recording pattern as shown in **Error! Reference source not found.**

The screenshot shows the SIMOTION Trace Connector interface for configuring a tracejob. At the top, there is a dropdown menu for the month (Dec 2020) and a right arrow. Below this is a calendar grid for December 2020. The start date (1st) is highlighted with a green box and labeled 'Start date'. The end date (31st) is also highlighted with a green box and labeled 'End date'. The execution dates (1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st) are marked with red circles and labeled 'Execution dates'. Below the calendar, there is a section for 'Execution time' with three input fields: '14', '00', and '00'. Each field has a dropdown arrow below it. At the bottom, there are 'Cancel' and 'Set' buttons.

Figure 17 Execution dates and time as a result of the recording pattern

- **Continuous recording:**

Selector “continuous”:

The tracejob is continuously sent from the scheduler to the SIMOTION controller between the specified start and end date and time or the start date and time and until the specified number of recordings is achieved.

NOTICE

selection of the continuous recording pattern will not result in an endless trace. Tracejobs have specified duration and are executed in a queue one after another. Tracejob duration is an exact time in milliseconds, it can't be endless

2.5 Logbook

The “Logbook” tab contains a table with logs of all executed tracejobs. The Table includes tracejob date and time, SIMOTION name, SIMOTION type, SIMOTION serial number, SIMOTION firmware version, SIMOTION recording time, SIMOTION cycle clock, tracejob name, tracejob id and tracejob status columns (**Error! Reference source not found.**)

	Date and time	SIMATIC name	SIMOTION type	SIMOTION serial number	SIMOTION firmware version	SIMOTION recording time	SIMOTION cycle clock	Tracejob name	Tracejob ID	Status	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jan 24, 2022, 3:41:00 PM	SIMATIC16	D435	ST-M66013252	V 5.3.1.2	2000 ms	SERVO	Trace3	145	SUCCESSFUL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jan 24, 2022, 3:40:30 PM	SIMATIC16	D435	ST-M66013252	V 5.3.1.2	2000 ms	SERVO	Trace3	145	SUCCESSFUL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jan 24, 2022, 3:40:00 PM	SIMATIC16	D435	ST-M66013252	V 5.3.1.2	2000 ms	SERVO	Trace3	145	SUCCESSFUL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jan 24, 2022, 3:39:30 PM	SIMATIC16	D435	ST-M66013252	V 5.3.1.2	2000 ms	SERVO	Trace3	145	SUCCESSFUL	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Jan 24, 2022, 3:38:30 PM	SIMATIC16	D435	ST-M66013252	V 5.3.1.2	2000 ms	SERVO	Trace3	145	SUCCESSFUL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jan 24, 2022, 3:38:00 PM	SIMATIC16	D435	ST-M66013252	V 5.3.1.2	2000 ms	SERVO	Trace3	145	SUCCESSFUL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jan 24, 2022, 3:37:30 PM	SIMATIC16	D435	ST-M66013252	V 5.3.1.2	2000 ms	SERVO	Trace3	145	SUCCESSFUL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jan 24, 2022, 3:37:00 PM	SIMATIC16	D435	ST-M66013252	V 5.3.1.2	2000 ms	SERVO	Trace3	145	SUCCESSFUL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jan 24, 2022, 3:36:30 PM	SIMATIC16	D435	ST-M66013252	V 5.3.1.2	2000 ms	SERVO	Trace3	145	SUCCESSFUL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jan 24, 2022, 3:36:00 PM	SIMATIC16	D435	ST-M66013252	V 5.3.1.2	2000 ms	SERVO	Trace3	145	SUCCESSFUL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jan 24, 2022, 3:26:46 PM	SIMATIC16	D435	ST-M66013252	V 5.3.1.2	5000 ms	SERVO	Trace2	141	SUCCESSFUL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jan 24, 2022, 3:26:40 PM	SIMATIC16	D435	ST-M66013252	V 5.3.1.2	100 ms	SERVO	Trace1	131	SUCCESSFUL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jan 24, 2022, 3:26:30 PM	SIMATIC16	D435	ST-M66013252	V 5.3.1.2	100 ms	SERVO	Trace1	131	SUCCESSFUL	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jan 24, 2022, 3:26:20 PM	SIMATIC16	D435	ST-M66013252	V 5.3.1.2	100 ms	SERVO	Trace1	131	SUCCESSFUL	

Figure 18 Logbook

2.5.1 Sort and filter tracejobs

Tracejobs table can be sorted and filtered by any column. For sorting one needs to click on the column header. An “Arrow” icon near the column name indicates the column which is currently the active sorting column. If the arrow icon faces upwards the column is sorted in ascending and if it faces downwards in descending order.

For filtering user needs to:

1. Click on ‘Filter tracejobs’ entry next to the funnel icon
2. Select column to filter
3. Input the correct value for filtering
4. Click on the “OK” button

After sorting and filtering the Logbook table will be updated automatically.

Date and time	SIMOTION serial number	SIMOTION firmw version
Jan 24, 2022, 3:41:00 PM	ST-M66013252	V 5.3.1.2
Jan 24, 2022, 3:40:30 PM	ST-M66013252	V 5.3.1.2
Jan 24, 2022, 3:40:00 PM	ST-M66013252	V 5.3.1.2

Figure 19 Logbook filtering and sorting

2.5.2 Delete tracejobs

Recorded tracejobs can be deleted from the database. To delete a tracejob the user needs:

1. Select tracejobs for multiple tracejob deletion
2. Click on “Delete selected tracejobs” or delete” icon in the action column of the selected tracejob row for single tracejob deletion. After “Delete confirmation” screen should be opened (**Error! Reference source not found.**)
3. Click “OK” button to confirm delete action

After deletion Logbook table will be automatically updated.

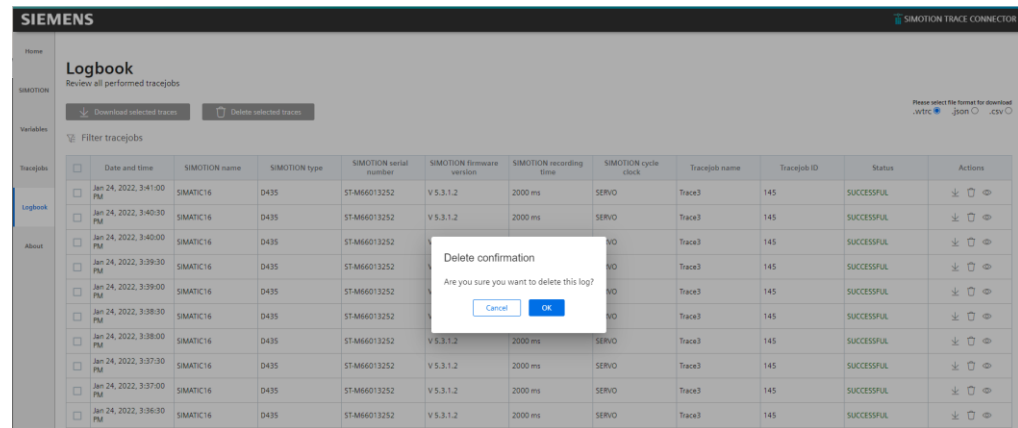


Figure 20 Logbook delete confirmation

2.5.3 Download tracejobs

Recorded tracejobs can also be downloaded to a local storage in the following file formats:

.wtrc, .json or .csv.. For downloading tracejobs the user needs to:

1. Select tracejobs
2. Chose file format: .wtrc, .json, .csv
3. Click “Download Selected Traces”

After successful download a “trace_data.zip” archive will be saved to a local folder.

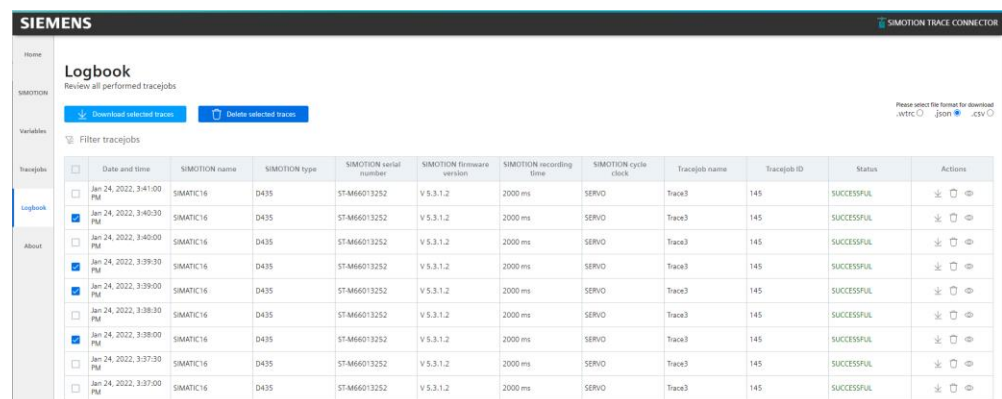


Figure 21 Logbook download tracejobs

2.5.4 Trace visualization

Trace data can be visualized in a simple viewer. To open the visualization screen the user needs to click on the “View” icon in the Action column of the selected trace. In the viewer variables can be shown or hidden by clicking on the variable name. The displayed chart can be saved as an image to local folder by clicking on the “Download” icon in the top right corner of the window. To close this visualization screen the user has to click on a blank space outside the popup.

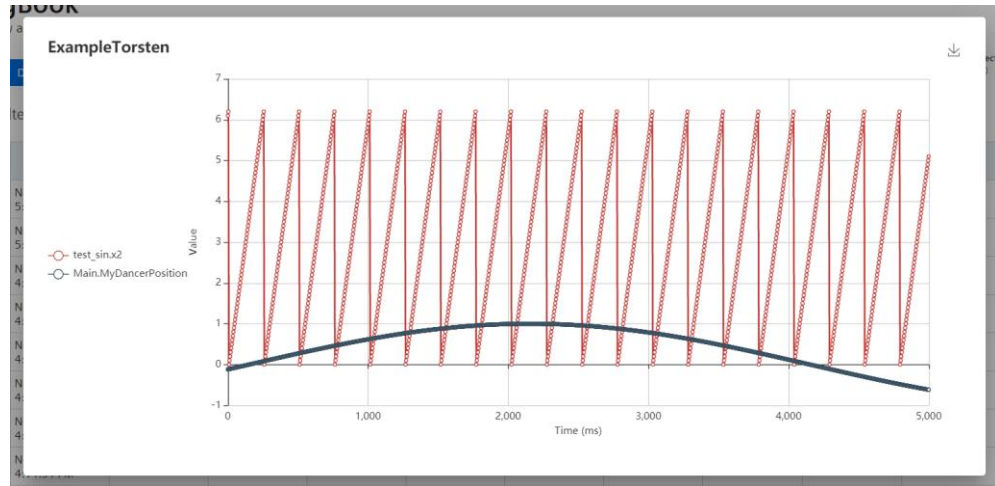


Figure 22 Logbook trace visualization

2.6 About

Current application version and license conditions for the third-party open source libraries used SIMOTION Trace Connector application can be found in About tab of the application.

It also has a link to full OSS readme file. This document is provided to customers to avoid copyright infringements.

SIEMENS		SIMOTION TRACE CONNECTOR			
Home	SIMOTION Trace connector				
SIMOTION	Version 1.1.1 © Siemens AG, 2021				
Variables	An app for the Siemens Industrial Edge which provides the possibility to record data from different data sources including buffers and to visualize them in charts.				
Tracejobs	<h2>Third-Party Software Information</h2> <p>This product, solution or service ("Product") contains third-party software components listed in this document. These components are Open Source Software licensed under a license approved by the Open Source Initiative (www.opensource.org) or similar licenses as determined by SIEMENS ("OSS") and/or commercial or freeware software components. With respect to the OSS components, the applicable OSS license conditions prevail over any other terms and conditions covering the Product. The OSS portions of this Product are provided royalty-free and can be used at no charge.</p> <p>If SIEMENS has combined or linked certain components of the Product with OSS components licensed under the GNU LGPL version 2 or later as per the definition of the applicable license, and if use of the corresponding object file is not unrestricted ("LGPL Licensed Module"), whereas the LGPL Licensed Module and the components that the LGPL Licensed Module is combined with or linked to is the "Combined Product", the following additional rights apply. If the relevant LGPL license criteria are met: (i) you are entitled to modify the Combined Product for your own use, including but not limited to the right to modify the Combined Product to re-link modified versions of the LGPL Licensed Module, and (ii) you may re-engineer the Combined Product, but only to debug your modifications. The modification right does not include the right to distribute such modifications and you shall maintain in confidence any information resulting from such reverse-engineering of a Combined Product.</p> <p>Certain OSS licenses require SIEMENS to make source code available, for example, the GNU General Public License, the GNU Lesser General Public License and the Mozilla Public License. If such licenses are applicable and this Product is not shipped with the required source code, a copy of this source code can be obtained by anyone in receipt of this information during the period required by the applicable OSS licenses by contacting the following address:</p> <p>Siemens AG LCT SE Werner-von-Siemens Str. 60 91052 Erlangen Germany</p> <p>Keyword: Open Source Request (please specify Product name and version, if applicable)</p> <p>SIEMENS may charge a handling fee of up to 5 EUR to fulfil the request.</p> <p>Warranty regarding further use of the Open Source Software:</p> <p>SIEMENS' warranty obligations are set forth in your agreement with SIEMENS. SIEMENS does not provide any warranty or technical support for this Product or any OSS components contained in it if they are modified or used in any manner not specified by SIEMENS. The license conditions listed below may contain disclaimers that apply between you and the respective licensor. For the avoidance of doubt, SIEMENS does not make any warranty commitment on behalf of or binding upon any third party licensor.</p> <p>Open Source Software and/or other third-party software contained in this Product can be found in the full README_OSS file.</p>				
Loginbook					
About					

Figure 23 About tab

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Figure 24 Third-party library licenses

To subscribe to the MQTT topic and see the traces in a FlowCreator application the user needs to create a MQTT node.

1. Select “mqtt in” node under “network” tab and drag it to flow creation working area
2. Open node properties and enter topic name (**Error! Reference source not found.**). Default one should be “SIMOTIONTraceConnector/#”, if user needs specific topic, he should input a custom name
3. Connect node to server by clicking on “Edit” icon (**Error! Reference source not found.**)



4. Input server name "ie_databus" with 1883 port in "Connection" tab
5. Input Username: edge and Password: edge in "Properties" tab
6. Click "Update", user will be automatically returned to node properties
7. Click "Done" button

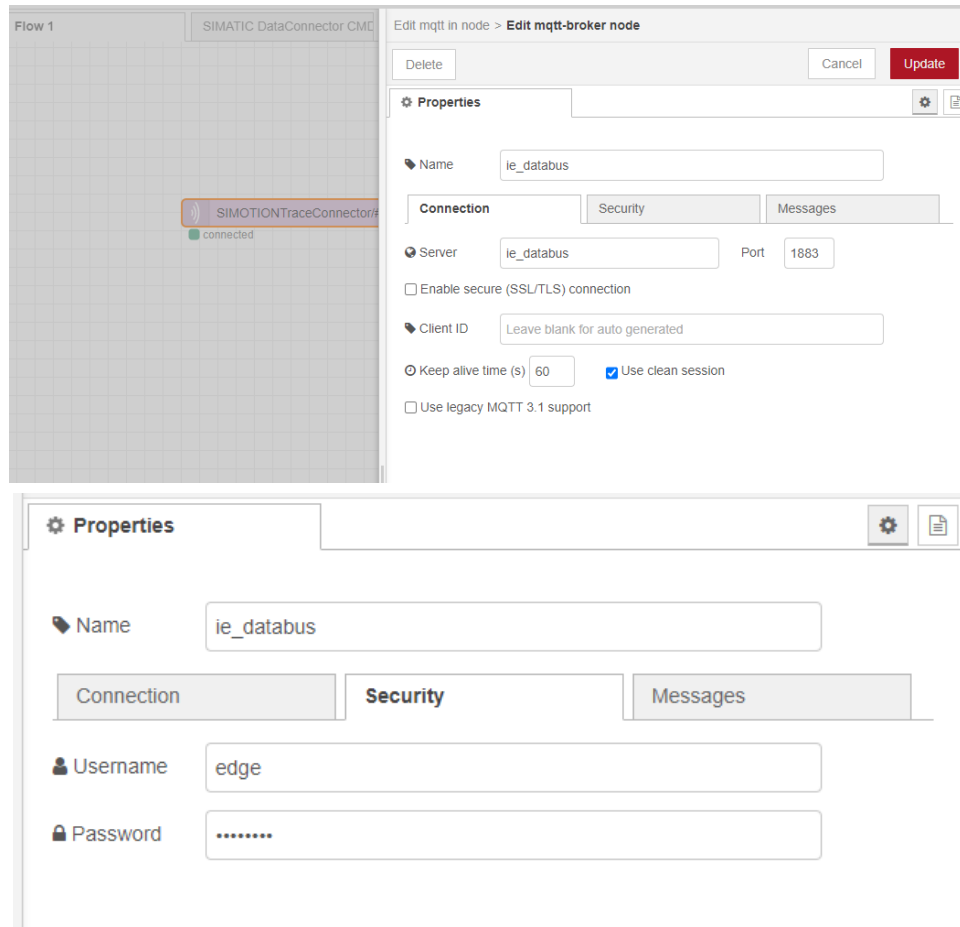


Figure 26 Server connection

8. Select “debug” node under “common” tab and drag it to flow creation working area
9. Connect “SIMOTIONTraceConnector/#” and debug nodes (**Error! Reference source not found.**)

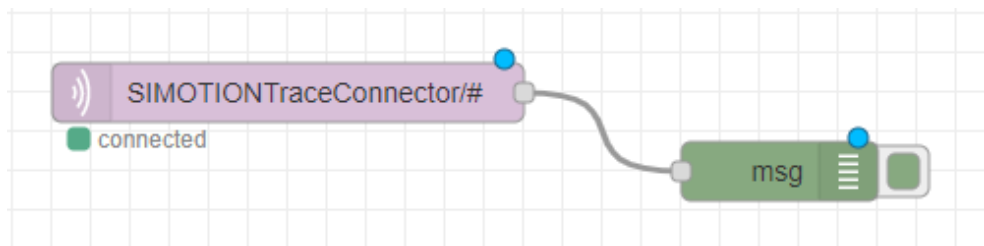


Figure 27 Nodes connection

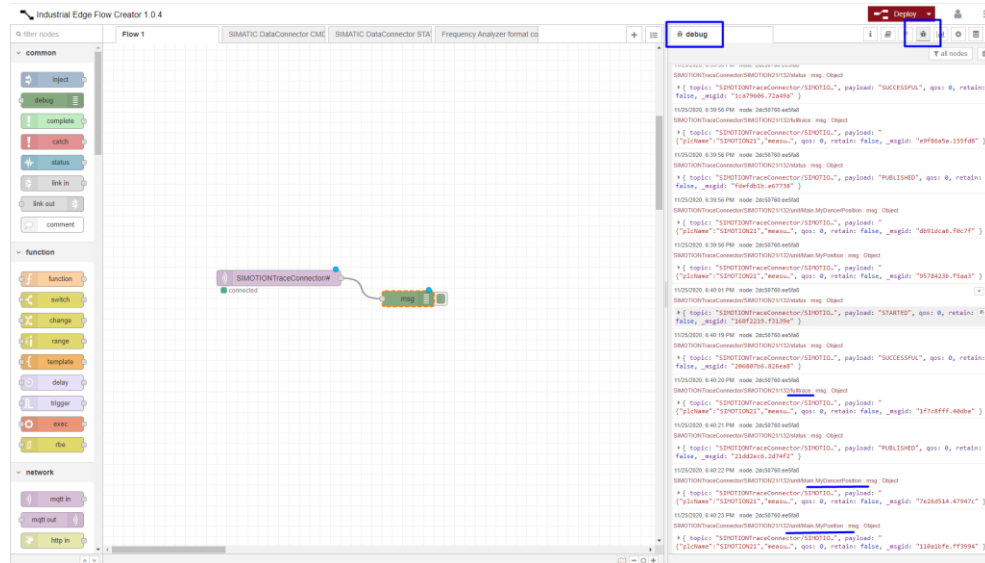


Figure 28 Trace view in FlowCreator application

After this process it would be possible to see traces in a debug tab of application. User will receive objects for each variable separately and also one for the full trace.

In Flow creator it is also possible to see the status of traces:

- Started
- Published
- Failed
- Error
- Successful

2.7.1 External triggering

SIMOTION Trace Connector allows to trigger a configured trace via MQTT by sending a JSON object to the topic SIMOTIONTraceConnector/trigger with the following input:

MQTT topic: SIMOTIONTraceConnector/trigger

JSON object :

```
{
  "id": TracejobID,
  "priorityLevel": PriorityLevel
}
```

User needs to add two nodes in FlowCreator, node types are: inject and mqtt_out. For mqtt_out node topic should be created in IE Databus application in advance. After it should be connected to server with default user and password in FlowCreator (**Error! Reference source not found.**).

User: edge

Password: edge

In inject node user needs to input JSON object (**Error! Reference source not found.**). Example:

```
msg.payload = {"id":146,"priorityLevel":2}
```

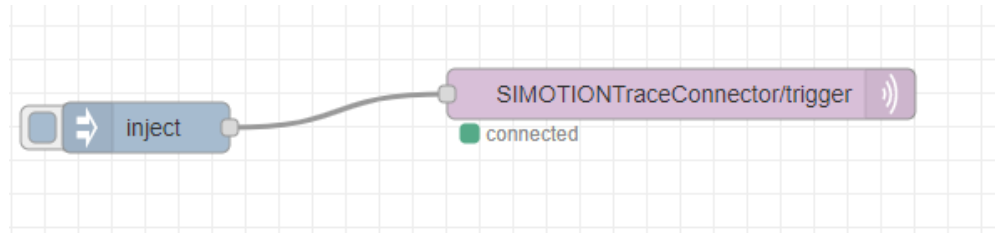


Figure 29 Server connection for trigger topic

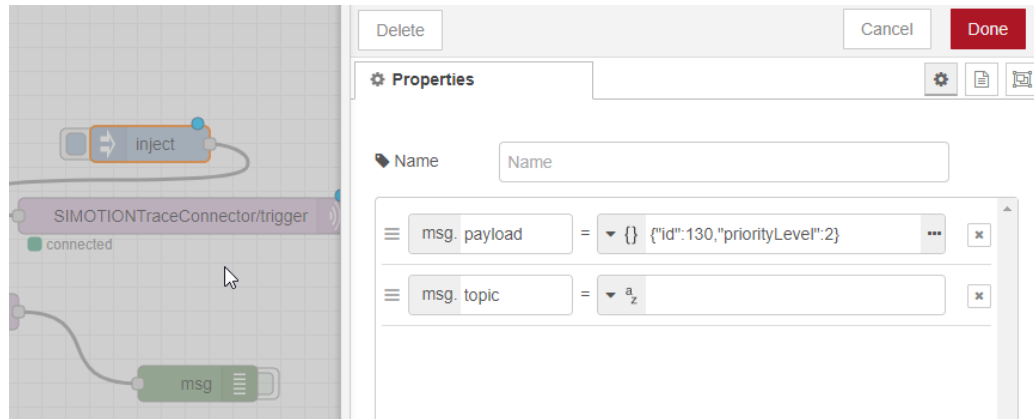


Figure 30 Inject node configuration

PriorityLevels are:

- 1 = stop other running tracejobs and execute tracejob immediately
- 2 (default) = execute when slot is free otherwise queue
- 3 = execute immediately when slot is free otherwise discard execution Recording pattern ONCE

After click “Deploy” button in a top right corner of the window. On successful injection status popup will be shown (**Error! Reference source not found.**). In a debug tab it is possible to see tracejob information:

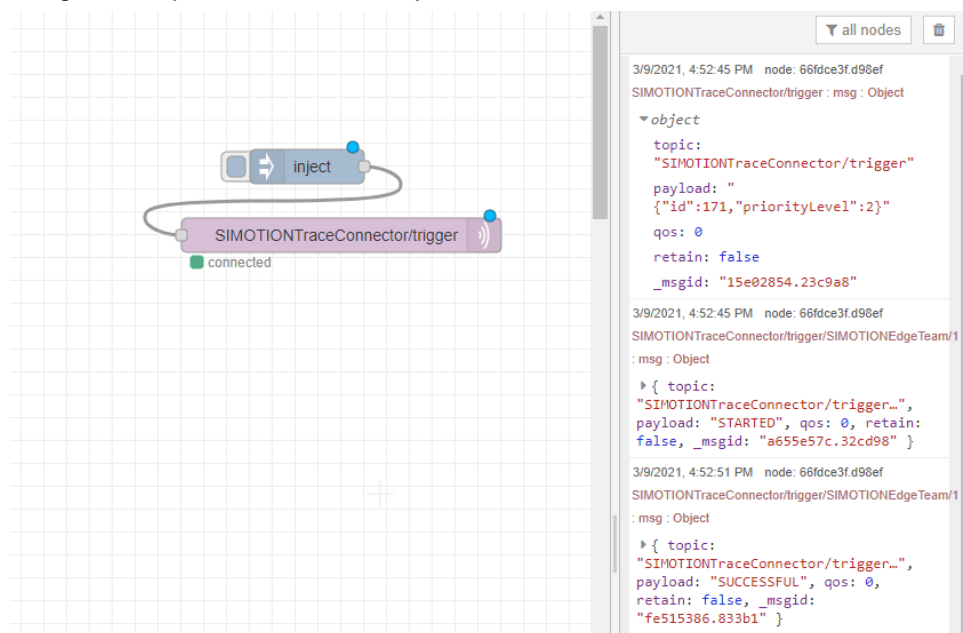


Figure 31 External trigger

SIMOTION Trace Connector supports the possibility to track the status of a configured tracejob under the following MQTT Topic path:

SIMOTIONTraceConnector/ SIMOTION-name/TracejobID/status

2.7.2 MQTT tracejob configuration

Using MQTT topic SIMOTIONTraceConnector/traceJobsConfig it is possible to receive tracejob object in a JSON format in a FlowCreator application.

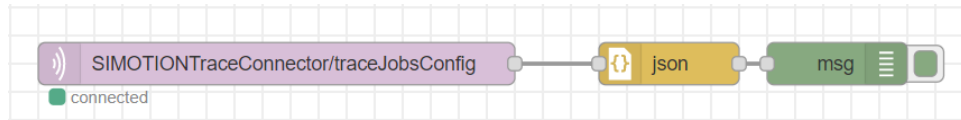


Figure 32 MQTT topic subscription

MQTT topic should be configured as an example below with:

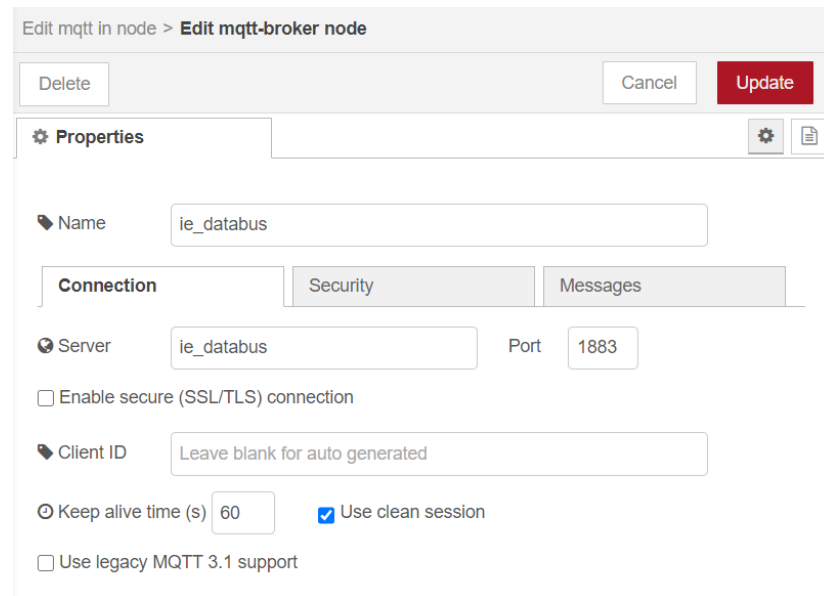
Username: edge

Password: edge

in Properties -> Security tab of the mqtt node.

The screenshot shows the 'Edit mqtt-broker node' configuration window. The 'Properties' tab is selected, and the 'Security' sub-tab is active. The configuration includes:

- Name:** ie_databus
- Connection:** ie_databus, Port: 1883
- ☐ Enable secure (SSL/TLS) connection
- Client ID:** Leave blank for auto generated
- ☒ Keep alive time (s) 60
- ☒ Use clean session
- ☐ Use legacy MQTT 3.1 support



Edit mqtt in node > Edit mqtt-broker node

Delete Cancel Update

⚙ Properties 📄

Name ie_databus

Connection Security Messages

🔌 Server ie_databus Port 1883

☐ Enable secure (SSL/TLS) connection

🔌 Client ID Leave blank for auto generated

⌚ Keep alive time (s) 60 ☒ Use clean session

☐ Use legacy MQTT 3.1 support

Figure 33 MQTT topic configuration

After topic configuration it is possible to receive information about tracejobs in json file format in a Debug tab. Received json example showed below:

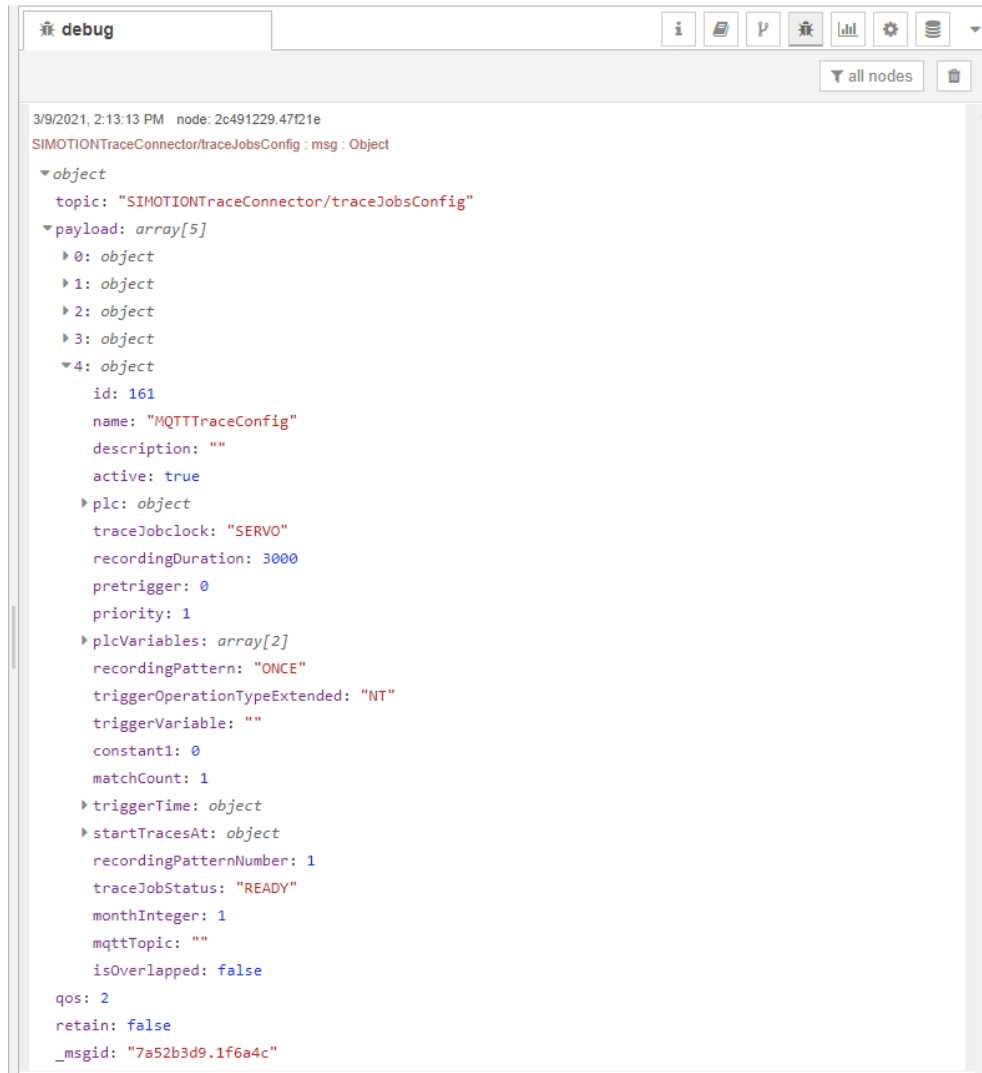


Figure 34 Tracejob JSON example

3 Appendix

3.1 Service and support

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3.3 Related literature

Table 3-1

	Topic
\1\	Siemens Industry Online Support https://support.industry.siemens.com
\2\	Download page of this entry https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109784249

3.4 Change documentation

Table 3-2

Version	Date	Modifications
V1.2.0	04/2020	New features added