



EIGEN INGENUITY



Product Information Sheet

Data Transformation Engine

(Virtual/Synthetic Timeseries and The Calculation Historian)

What is the Data Transformation Engine

The Data Transformation Engine applies “in-line” transforms to any timeseries data source connected to Ingenuity. Anything from simple mathematical operators such as Add, Subtract, Multiply and Divide, through more complex Totalisers and statistical functions like Average and Standard Deviation, logical If. Then functions and complex transforms such as Timeshifting.

Transforms can be nested, and multiple transforms can be applied sequentially.

The output of a transform is a Virtual or Synthetic timeseries that can be used in the Ingenuity in exactly the same way other Timeseries sources.

What are Virtual Timeseries?

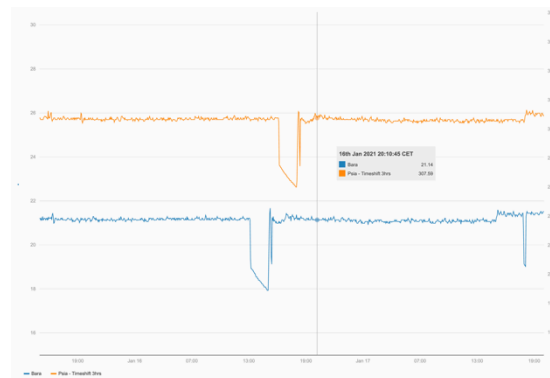
Virtual timeseries behave exactly like ‘normal’ (i.e. real or raw) signals stored as tags in process data historians but they are evaluated only when they are called. They can be used in exactly the same way as normal tags in Ingenuity.

For example, you can set limits & alerts or use as the basis for another virtual timeseries, but they are evaluated at runtime and do not need the values to be written back to a database.

The advantage of this is that they can be immediately plotted for any time period for which the source data exists, but they do not fill up storage space.

Example – unit conversion

If we are measuring a pressure in ‘bara’ but want to plot it in ‘psia’ then it must be transformed by multiplying it by 14.5. This lets us experiment and create quick calculations for analysis without worrying about filling up memory or waiting until historical values are recalculated.



The orange series is a virtual timeseries created by multiplying the original tag (blue) in ‘Bara’ by 14.5 to get ‘Psia’ and then timeshifting the results by 3 hours forwards.

Virtual timeseries can be nested and multiple different functions combined in a single timeseries to produce complex calculations.

Editing the Data Transformation Equations

Ingenuity 7’s virtual calculation graphical editor is an easy-to-use drag-and-drop user interface in which any Ingenuity user can quickly configure complex calculations while minimizing human error.

Transform function blocks are dragged and dropped into a canvas, after which inputs and outputs can be connected to compose any complex transformation.

Transform Functions

Choose from the following 36 transform functions to create simple or complex calculations and synthetic timeseries.

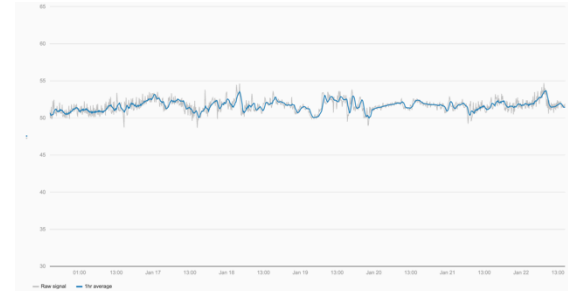
Basic Maths	Add
	Subtract
	Multiply
	Divide
	Percent Deviation
Totalisers	Totalise
	Totalise Raw
Function	Exponential
	Natural Log
	Log
	Square Root

	Power
Sliding Aggregates (normal and raw)	Average
	Count
	Number of Bad Points
	Number of Good Points
	Standard Deviation
	Variance
	Minimum
	Maximum
	Sum
Statistics	Maximum
	Minimum
	Mean
	Median
	Standard Deviation
	Variance
Logical	If Tag Exists
	If Equals
Series Conditioning	Threshold
	Stepped
	Stepped Raw
	No BAD
	Timeshift
Other	Timeshift Dynamic
	Point in Time

Example use cases

Smoothing noisy signals

Averages can be applied to smooth out noisy signals



By applying an averaging function with a 1-hour window the underlying trends in the data can be seen more easily.

Logical expressions

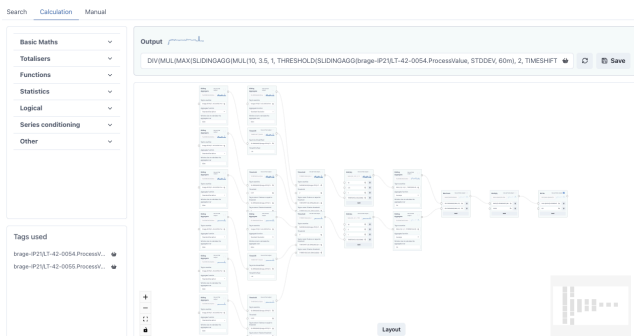
The green series in the trend below uses the Threshold function to create a virtual timeseries of the flow only when Pump B is running.



By using a Threshold function to only display the flowrate if the running signal is >0.5, a virtual timeseries is created that could drive a virtual flowmeter graphic.

Totaliser

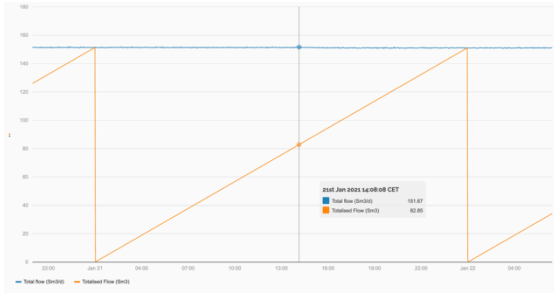
Using the Totaliser function allows a value to be totalised over any window from 1 minute to years.



Canvas of a complex chemical dosing transformation function.



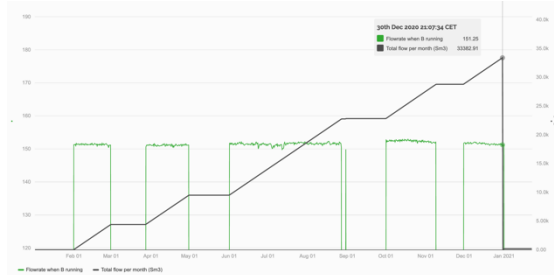
Detail of the complex transformation function shown above.



A flowrate in Sm³/d is totalised over 24hrs starting at midnight, giving the cumulative flow so far in any given day (orange line).

Combining two functions

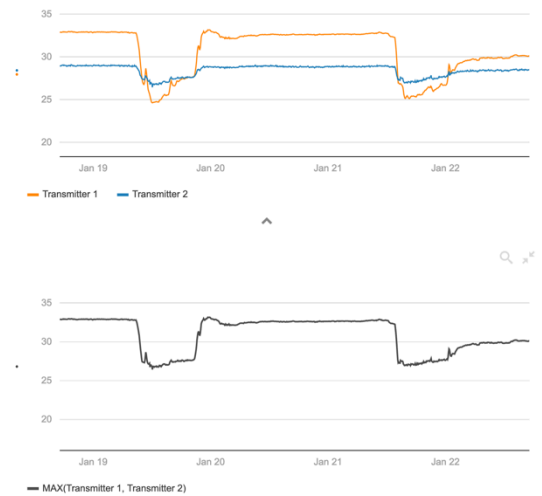
Combining a Totaliser function with a Threshold function we can combine the two examples above to see the total amount of fluid pumped by Pump B in a year.



The virtual timeseries of the flow through Pump B is totalised in a second virtual timeseries over a window of a year starting at midnight on the 1st January.

Taking the Maximum of several tags

The Max function lets users create a virtual timeseries that only shows the maximum value at any time from two or more tags.



The upper trend shows the readings from two different transmitters. Using the Max function, we are able to create a virtual timeseries (lower trend – black line) that always shows the maximum reading from either of these two transmitters.