

SCADA SYSTEMS

CONCEPT SCADA (Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition) is a software system used to monitor and control large-scale processes, such as power grids, oil and gas pipelines, and water treatment plants.

PLC (Programmable Logic Controller), on the other hand, is a type of hardware used to control individual machines or subsystems within a larger process. PLCs are programmable devices that can be configured to perform specific tasks, such as turning on a motor, opening a valve, or monitoring various sensors.

SCADA EXAMPLES

- 1. Industrial Production Lines
- 2. Overseeing Oil and Gas Pipeline Operations
- 3. Monitoring and Controlling of Power Plants
- 4. Managing Water Treatment Processes

PLC EXAMPLES

- 1. Traffic Lights
- 2. Automatic Car Washes
- 3. Elevators
- 4. Roller Coasters



BACKGROUND

The history of SCADA and PLC can be traced back to the mid-twentieth century. The earliest PLCs were developed in the 1960s as a replacement for hard-wired relay systems, allowing for greater flexibility and automation in industrial control systems. SCADA systems, on the other hand, emerged in the 1970s as a response to the need for centralized control and monitoring of large-scale processes, such as power grids and oil and gas pipelines. Over time, both SCADA and PLCs have evolved, with advances in computer technology enabling more powerful and sophisticated systems. Today, both technologies continue to play important roles in industrial automation!





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