

## Features

- Connects to automation systems, OEM machines, and other equipment
- Ready-made gadgets let you create a browser-based operator interface in minutes
- Scalable operator interface runs on any device with a modern web browser—regardless of manufacturer, operating system, or screen size
- No programming required
- Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) encryption protects data
- No tag limits and no client licenses required

## Description

*groov* is Opto 22's web-based operator interface system that is *simple, mobile, and connects easily* to almost everything.

**Simple:** *groov* requires only a web browser to build and view interfaces. Because it puts ready-made gadgets at your fingertips and requires zero programming, it's simple to build, deploy, and view effective and 100% scalable operator interfaces.

**Mobile:** *groov* can be viewed on almost any mobile device or computer regardless of its manufacturer, operating system, or screen size, including smartphones, tablets, PCs, and even smart high-definition televisions. *groov* can augment existing human-machine interfaces (HMIs) and SCADA systems by



*groov* operator interfaces work on smartphones, tablets, and other mobile devices.



making important information available at any time and in any location.

**Connects easily:** You can connect *groov* to Opto 22 controllers directly, or you can connect to devices from other manufacturers through a tag server that supports OPC UA (Unified Architecture). When connected to a tag server you can monitor and control PLCs and PACs such as Allen-Bradley ControlLogix and CompactLogix, Siemens SIMATIC S7, Schneider Electric Modicon, GE PACSystems, and many more.

In addition you can use *groov* with databases, SNMP devices, weather stations, OPC-DA servers, or any device or system supported by your tag server. *groov* gets important data from process control, OEM machines, and manufacturing systems into operators' hands. (For more information about OPC UA, go to [opcfoundation.org/UA](http://opcfoundation.org/UA).)

## Choose Your groov

*groov* is available as either the standalone *groov* Box hardware appliance or the PC-based *groov* Server for Windows software. Also available at reduced cost are versions of *groov* Box and *groov* Server that connect only to Opto 22 SNAP PAC systems.

**groov** Box (p/n GROOV-AR1) is an industrially hardened appliance that comes preloaded with *groov* software, including *groov* Build for building operator interfaces, *groov* View for using the interfaces you've built, and *groov* Admin for

## Part Numbers

Part	Description
GROOV-AR1	<i>groov</i> Box
GROOV-SVR-WIN	<i>groov</i> Server for Windows
<b>To connect to SNAP PAC only:</b>	
GROOV-AR1-SNAP	<i>groov</i> Box – SNAP PAC only
GROOV-SVR-WIN-SNAP	<i>groov</i> Server – SNAP PAC only
<b>To upgrade a groov system from SNAP PAC only:</b>	
GROOV-SNAP-UPG	Upgrades SNAP PAC-only systems

administering the Box itself. The *groov* Box communicates over a standard Ethernet network or wireless LAN (local area network), or both. For more information about the *groov* Box, see form 2104, the *groov* Box User's Guide for GROOV-AR1.



**groov Server for Windows** (p/n GROOV-SVR-WIN) includes *groov* software (*groov* Build for building operator interfaces and *groov* View for using them) and is ready for installation on a Microsoft® Windows® PC. Once installed, *groov* Server runs as a service on your computer. For more information on *groov* Server, see form 2078, the *groov* Server for Windows User's Guide.

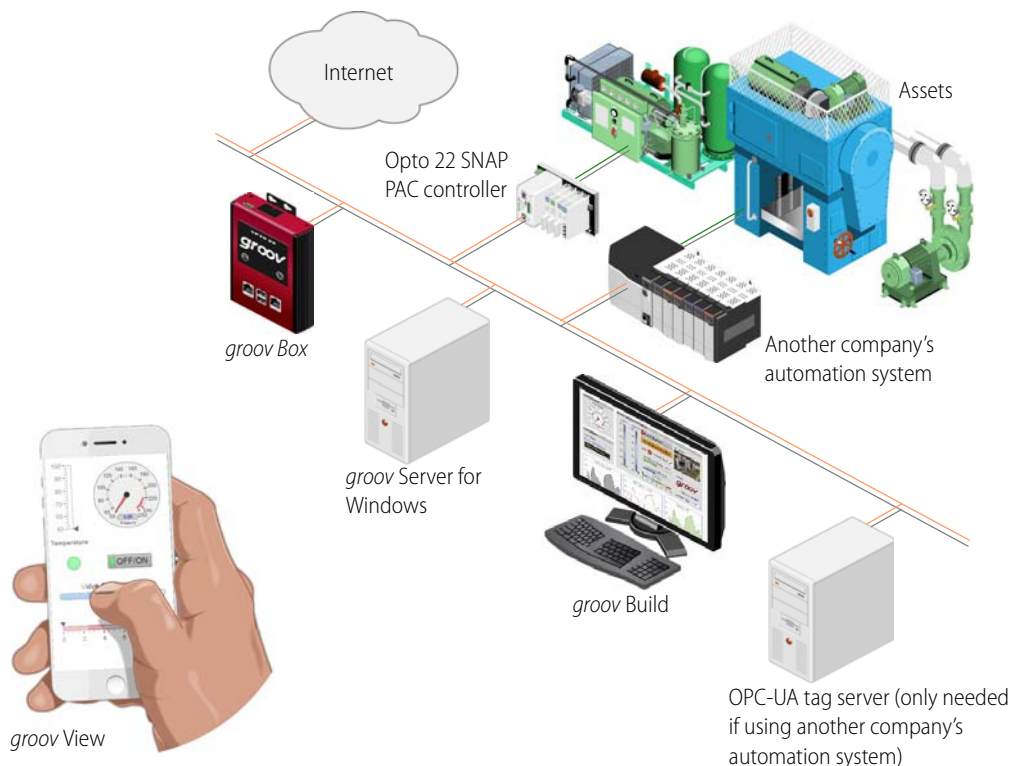
Whether you store and serve *groov* software on a *groov* Box or on a computer using *groov* Server for Windows, an operator interface you develop with *groov* can be viewed on almost any mobile device or computer.

## Build and View Your Interface

**groov Build** provides a collection of gadgets for developing a graphical, on-screen operator interface. It comes with the built-in ability to import tags from a variety of systems and equipment, including SNAP PAC controllers, OptoEMU energy monitoring units, and other companies' systems, devices, and databases. *groov* Build also allows you to manage user accounts and to import tags from multiple devices to use in the operator interface.



**groov View** runs a *groov* operator interface that resides on a *groov* Box or *groov* Server and can be accessed using View on a computer, smartphone, tablet, or other device with a web browser and a network connection to *groov*.





View on a tablet and a smartphone

**groov Admin** is included with a *groov* Box and provides the tools to back up and restore your project, update software and firmware, set up wired and wireless networking, and more. *groov* Admin is not needed for *groov* Server for Windows because those functions are provided by the Windows PC.

### Optional Mobile Device Apps

**groov View for iOS** and **groov View for Android** are optional native apps for your tablet or smartphone. You can just use your browser to run *groov*, but unlike a browser these apps display View in full-screen mode without the address bar, toolbars, and so on. Also, you can configure the app with your username and password in order to skip the login screen.



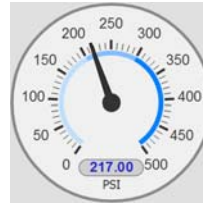
View in browser

View app

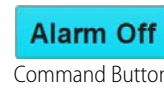
The iOS and Android apps are ideal for OEMs and machine builders who want to use a tablet in kiosk mode as an operator interface to a machine. Kiosk mode locks the device to only run *groov*.

### Using Gadgets

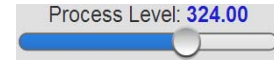
To build your project, you use *groov*'s ready-made gadgets such as the Round Gauge for monitoring data, the Command Button to send a command, and the Horizontal Slider to adjust a variable. Many other gadgets are included.



Round Gauge



Command Button

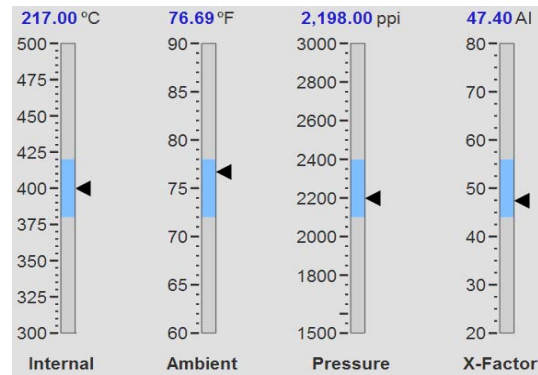


Process Level: 324.00

Horizontal Slider

To set up a gadget, you import tags from your system or device, select one of the imported tags from your tag database, and then associate it with a gadget available for that tag. Once you have set some gadget-specific properties and saved your project, a gadget is immediately ready to use in View.

By building good HMI design into your View project, the *groov* interface helps operators work more effectively. For example, multiple Range Indicator gadgets that clearly show the normal range tell an operator at a glance whether a system is running as it should. For more information on good HMI design, see [form 2061, Building an HMI that Works](#).



Range Indicators

## Try Before You Buy

A fully functional version of the software-based *groov* Server for Windows is available to download and try so you can see your own system's data on a smartphone, tablet, or other mobile device. If you need a tag server to connect to a third-party controller, Kepware Technologies' KEPServerEX 5 communication platform is also available for download and trial.

Just download and install *groov* Server for Windows ([groov.com](http://groov.com)), and KEPServerEX 5 ([www.kepware.com](http://www.kepware.com)). Simple instructions walk you through software setup, connecting to one or more systems, and building simple interfaces so you can quickly see realtime system data on a mobile device. Both software packages operate for two hours without a license key.

*NOTE: You must log on as an administrator to install groov Server for Windows.*

## System Requirements

### For *groov* Box and *groov* Server for Windows

To build operator interfaces with *groov* you'll need:

- Any computer with a modern web browser. This does not have to be a Windows PC.
- One or both of the following:
  - An Opto 22 SNAP PAC System (SNAP PAC S-series, R-series, or SoftPAC controller with firmware R9.2a or newer, running a PAC Control strategy).
  - Another manufacturer's automation system with tags accessible by your tag server. You'll need a tag server that supports OPC UA plus the appropriate drivers for your system installed on the server computer.

**groov and KEPServerEX:** If you don't already have a tag server installed that supports OPC UA, the KEPServerEX communication platform from Kepware Technologies is recommended by Opto 22 and tested to work with *groov*.

Kepware is a leader in OPC communications and has developed hundreds of device drivers to communicate with automation systems, industrial databases, and other software. For more information, go to [www.kepware.com/Products/products\\_OPCServers.asp](http://www.kepware.com/Products/products_OPCServers.asp). See also, [www.kepware.com/Support\\_Center/doc\\_auto\\_tag.asp](http://www.kepware.com/Support_Center/doc_auto_tag.asp)

### For *groov* Server for Windows

To install and run *groov* Server for Windows you'll need:

- A PC on the same network as your control device, with one of the following Microsoft operating systems. This can be the same computer where the tag server is installed, or a separate computer.
    - Windows® 7 Professional (32-bit or 64-bit)
    - Windows 8 Professional (32-bit or 64-bit)
    - Windows Server 2008 R2
    - Windows Server 2012
- NOTE: .NET Framework 3.5 or greater is required for all operating systems. Use the "Add roles and features" option for Windows Server 2012.*
- A minimum of 250 MB available disk space to install *groov* Server for Windows. Additional disk space is required to create projects. (Projects may be created on this PC or on another computer.)

**groov Box (GROOV-AR1) Specifications**

Ethernet Communication (wired)	Two independent 10/100/1000 Mbps RJ-45 connectors, each with a separate IP address (separate subnets)
Ethernet Comm (wireless)	802.11 b/g/n provided by a commercial USB WiFi adapter that has been tested and approved by Opto 22
Security (wireless)	WEP64 WEP128 WPA PSK (also known as WPA Personal) WPA2 PSK (also known as WPA2 Personal)
Backup battery	BR2032 button cell lithium battery with a nominal voltage of 2.8 volts. Lasts 8 years at 25 °C. This battery maintains the date and time.
Power Consumption	8-36 VDC, 24 VDC @ 500mA (Power supply included; input 100-240 VAC. Use international adapter if needed.)
Enclosure	Compact and sturdy metal. Fanless operation.
USB	USB 2.0 (three)
Indicators	Ethernet interfaces (2): Link/Activity and Speed System: SYS & PWR
Operating Temperature	0 to 70 °C (32 to 158° F)
Storage Temperature	-20 to +80 °C (-4 to 176° F)
Operating Humidity	10% to 90% relative humidity, non-condensing
Storage Humidity	5% to 95% relative humidity, non-condensing
Agency Approvals	CE, RoHS, DFARS
Warranty	30 months

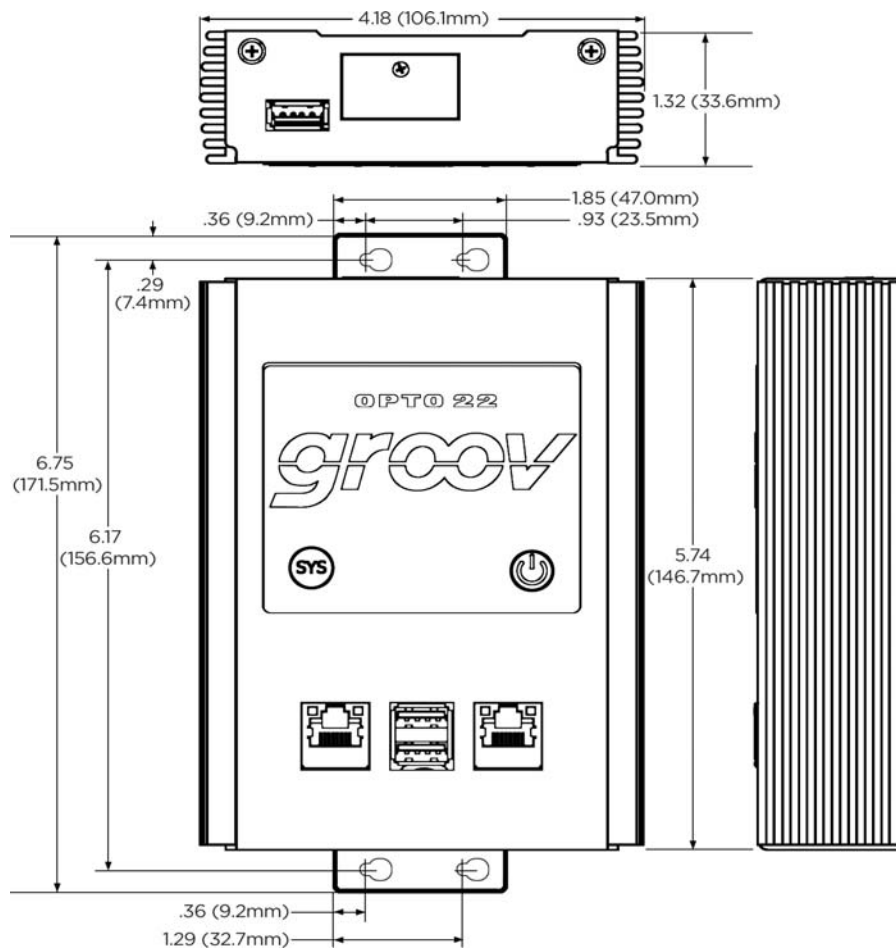


groov Box Connectors and Indicators



\* For a list of approved WiFi adapters, see form 2104, the groov Box User's Guide for GROOV-AR1.

groov Box Dimensions



## More About Opto 22

### Products

Opto 22 develops and manufactures reliable, flexible, easy-to-use hardware and software products for industrial automation, energy management, remote monitoring, and data acquisition applications.

#### groov

groov puts your system on your mobile device. With zero programming, you can build mobile operator interfaces to monitor and control systems from Allen-Bradley, Siemens, Schneider Electric, Modicon, and many more. Web-based groov puts mobile-ready gadgets at your fingertips. Tag them from your existing tag database, and they automatically scale for use on any device with a modern web browser. See [groov.com](http://groov.com) for more information and your free trial.

#### SNAP PAC System

Designed to simplify the typically complex process of selecting and applying an automation system, the SNAP PAC System consists of four integrated components:

- SNAP PAC controllers
- PAC Project™ Software Suite
- SNAP PAC brains
- SNAP I/O™

#### SNAP PAC Controllers

Programmable automation controllers (PACs) are multifunctional, modular controllers based on open standards.

Opto 22 has been manufacturing PACs for over two decades. The standalone SNAP PAC S-series, the rack-mounted SNAP PAC R-series, and the software-based SoftPAC™ all handle a wide range of digital, analog, and serial functions for data collection, remote monitoring, process control, and discrete and hybrid manufacturing.

SNAP PACs are based on open Ethernet and Internet Protocol (IP) standards, so you can build or extend a system easily, without the expense and limitations of proprietary networks and protocols. Wired+Wireless™ models are also available.

#### PAC Project Software Suite

Opto 22's PAC Project Software Suite provides full-featured, cost-effective control programming, HMI (human machine interface) development and runtime, OPC server, and database connectivity software for your SNAP PAC System.

Control programming includes both easy-to-learn flowcharts and optional scripting. Commands are in plain English; variables and I/O point names are fully descriptive.

PAC Project Basic offers control and HMI tools and is free for download on our website, [www.opto22.com](http://www.opto22.com). PAC Project

Professional, available for separate purchase, adds one SoftPAC, OptoOPCServer, OptoDataLink, options for controller redundancy or segmented networking, and support for legacy Opto 22 serial *mistic*™ I/O units.

#### SNAP PAC Brains

While SNAP PAC controllers provide central control and data distribution, SNAP PAC brains provide distributed intelligence for I/O processing and communications. Brains offer analog, digital, and serial functions, including thermocouple linearization; PID loop control; and optional high-speed digital counting (up to 20 kHz), quadrature counting, TPO, and pulse generation and measurement.

#### SNAP I/O

I/O provides the local connection to sensors and equipment. Opto 22 SNAP I/O offers 1 to 32 points of reliable I/O per module, depending on the type of module and your needs. Analog, digital, and serial modules are all mixed on the same mounting rack and controlled by the same processor (SNAP PAC brain or rack-mounted controller).

### Quality

Founded in 1974, Opto 22 has established a worldwide reputation for high-quality products. All are made in the U.S.A. at our manufacturing facility in Temecula, California. Because we test each product twice before it leaves our factory, rather than only testing a sample of each batch, we can guarantee most solid-state relays and optically isolated I/O modules for life.

### Free Product Support

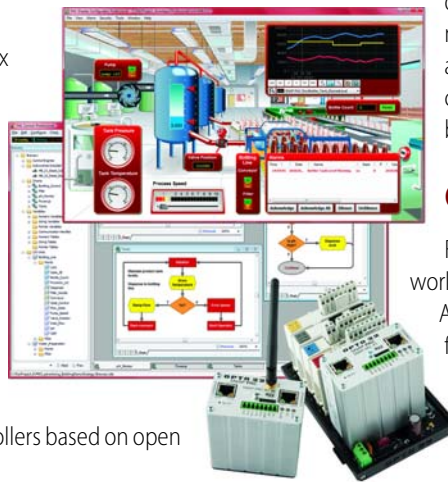
Opto 22's California-based Product Support Group offers free, comprehensive technical support for Opto 22 products. Our staff of support engineers represents decades of training and experience. Support is available in English and Spanish by phone or email, Monday–Friday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. PST.

Additional support is always available on our website: how-to videos, OptoKnowledgeBase, self-training guide, troubleshooting and user's guides, and OptoForums.

In addition, hands-on training is available for free at our Temecula, California headquarters, and you can [register online](#).

### Purchasing Opto 22 Products

Opto 22 products are sold directly and through a worldwide network of distributors, partners, and system integrators. For more information, contact Opto 22 headquarters at 800-321-6786 or 951-695-3000, or visit our website at [www.opto22.com](http://www.opto22.com).



[www.opto22.com](http://www.opto22.com)