

Spirit^{IT} Flow-X

Liquid USC application

Liquid_USC v5.2.0 (January 2024)

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The application is compatible with Flow-Xpress versions 3.2.6 and higher and runs on version 2 hardware only.

Three separate application files

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- **Liquid_USC Master 5.2.0.fxm**
Application for single run flow computers and X/P2, X/P3, X/P4 flow computers running one run per module.
- **Liquid_USC Master 5.2.0 2runs.fxm**
Application for flow computers with 2 runs running in a single module.
- **Liquid_USC Master 5.2.0 4runs.fxm**
Application for flow computers with up to 4 runs running in a single module. This application contains all functionality except loading, driver database and customer data.

New Features/Changes

This release contains around 100 changes (new features, improvements and bug-fixes). The main modifications are described below.

For a complete list of changes please contact ABB.

New calculations

The following calculations have been added:

- NIST Liquid Carbon Dioxide density calculation
- API 5.6 Annex D Coriolis meter mass flow pressure effect compensation factor (MBF) calculation

Performance improvements

Several enhancements have been implemented to improve calculation performance, leading to a decrease in cpu load of up to 20%. As a result, responsiveness of the flow computer has been considerably improved, especially when using large, multi-stream applications and / or extensive communication.

Configurable analog output units

Formerly, analog output configuration was only possible using native application units (e.g. °F for temperature, g/cc for density, bbl/hr for volume flow rate). Now analog outputs can also be configured using non-standard units (similar to the configuration of analog inputs). As the flow computer does the unit conversion, it's not needed anymore to manually convert the zero and full scale factors.

Analog outputs	
Analog output 1 type	4-20 mA
Analog output 1 unit type	Density
Analog output 1 zero scale	0.0000
Analog output 1 dampening factor	0
Analog output 1 tag	AOUT-123
Analog output 1 density unit	kg/m3
Analog output 1 full scale	kg/m3
	g/cc
	lb/ft3

Meter / transmitter tags shown on all operator displays

Meter tags / transmitter tags have been added to all applicable operator displays for easier interpretation:

Flow meter	
Meter tag	FM-035
Pulse input	
Pulse frequency	998.00 Hz
Pulse input flow rate	3592.80 unit/hr
Meter units	m3
Nominal K-factor	
Run	
Meter temperature tag	TT-202
Meter temperature	25.8470 °C
Meter temperature	Forced input
Meter temperature override	Disabled
Meter temperature override	34.200000762939 °C

Wider definition of 'technician' security level

The security level 'technician' has been extended so the following tasks can be fully accomplished by a technician:

- I/O configuration, calibration and testing
- Configuration of loading and batching
- Configuration of valve control, flow / pressure control, prove control and sampler control

Enhanced support of flow / pressure control valves

Flow / pressure control functionality has been extended with support of the following inputs from the control valve:

- Local / remote control digital input
- Valve fault digital input
- Valve position feedback analog input

Easily configurable data packets and historical data archives in Modbus lists v20 and v21

Modbus lists v20 and v21 have been provided with configuration tables for easy configuration of custom data packets and historical data archives. Previously it was quite a laborious task to configure these, as for every data point a separate row had to be added to the items table. From this version on, configuration only requires filling in a table.

Archives

Archive	701		702	
	mod1_Batch		<enter archive name>	
Packet	Point No.	Point count	Point No.	Point count
1	4111	4	0	0
2	4131	8	0	0
3	5150	4	0	0
4	5178	4	0	0
5	5186	5	0	0
6	8501	12	0	0
7	8519	1	0	0
8	0	0	0	0

Custom data packets

Packet	001		201	
	Point No.	Point count	Point No.	Point count
1	4111	4	0	0
2	4131	8	0	0
3	5150	4	0	0
4	5178	4	0	0
5	5186	5	0	0
6	8501	12	0	0
7	8519	1	0	0
8	0	0	0	0

Liquid_USC v5.1.0 (February 2023)

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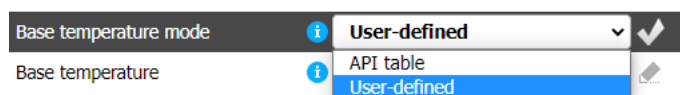
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New density conversion method: 'None (density ratio)'

With this option it is possible to calculate the CTPL for products for which no conversion standard is available, using the quotient of measured density and a fixed (configurable) standard density.

Alternative base temperature

In previous versions, the base temperature was fixed for the selected density conversion method / API table. Now there's an option to use a user defined base temperature independent of the selected density conversion method.



LNG (Klosek-McKinley)

From now on, the Flow-X supports LNG (Liquified Natural Gas) metering. To this end the liquid application has been extended with:

- A composition input for reading the composition from a gas chromatograph
- LNG density calculation according to Klosek-McKinley
- A heating value input, including heating value calculation according to ISO-6976 or GPA-2172
- Energy totalizers

Composition		Product name	Liquified Natural Gas
R1 In-use composition	Gas chromatograph A	Density/gravity conversion table	Klosek-McKinley LNG
R1 Last analysis time	02/15/23 10:27		
R1 Methane in-use	79.5489 %mole	Heating value / Enthalpy	
R1 Nitrogen in-use	0.1007 %mole	R1 Heating val/enthalpy input type	Calculated
R1 Carbon Dioxide in-use	0.2014 %mole	R1 Heating value calc. method	ISO6976 2016
R1 Ethane in-use	10.0695 %mole	R1 ISO6976-95/16 molar mass	From atomic masses
R1 Propane in-use	4.5313 %mole	R1 ISO6976-16 ref. conditions	15 / 15 °C

Enthalpy calculation for steam / water according to IAPWS-IF97

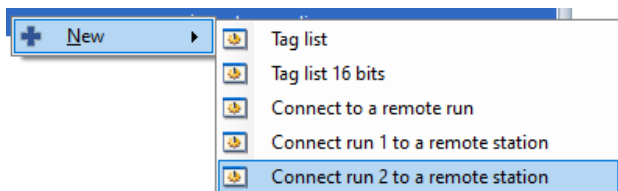
If IAPWS-IF97 is selected as density conversion method for steam or water, the flow computer can be configured to calculate the enthalpy, which is used to maintain energy totalizers.

Auto prove

Logic has been added for automatically starting a prove based on the configured 'prove required flags'. This way, the flow computer can automatically start a prove at a change of flow rate, density, temperature, etc, after a certain time has passed since the last prove, or after the meter has been idle for a certain time. Optionally, this auto prove logic can work together with a PLC that controls the valve lineup.

Use second run of remote flow computer as remote run

In previous versions, a remote run could only be the first (or only) run of a remote flow computer. From this version, it's also possible to connect to the second run.



Prover configuration only needs to be configured on remote prover IO server FC

On flow computers that make use of a remote prover IO server flow computer, the prover configuration only has to be configured on the remote prover IO flow computer. All individual flow computers copy the configuration from the prover IO server flow computer.

All reports enabled by default

It's not needed anymore to enable applicable reports in Flow-Xpress. Instead all reports are enabled by default and the flow computer decides which reports are to be generated based on the actual configuration.

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Both variations include all functionality (including optional loading functionality). No cut-down version without loading functionality has been released.

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Synchronization between Liquid_USC and Liquid_Metric applications

Starting from this version 5.0.0, the Liquid_Metric and Liquid_USC applications are released together and, except for the different native units, share the same functionality.

Implementation of API 12.2:2021 rounding rules

In addition to the existing API 12.2:2002/2003 rounding rules for meter tickets and prove reports, the new 2021 standard has been implemented, so now there are 3 options:

- Unrounded
- Rounded in compliance with API 12.2.2:2003 (meter tickets) and API 12.2.3:2002 (prove reports)
- Rounded in compliance with API 12.2:2021 (meter tickets and prove reports)

Option to show / hide process alarm limits on operator displays

The process alarm limits are hidden from the (detailed) operator displays if the Process alarm limit display level is configured higher than the Detailed data display level. In that case, the process alarm limits can only be set from the configuration displays. If the Process alarm limit display level is configured lower than or equal to the Detailed data display level, process alarm limits can be set both from the operator displays and configuration displays.

Display levels

Detailed data	Operator (500)
Batch stack	Operator (500)
Sampler control	Operator (500)
Valve control	Operator (500)
Product	Operator (500)
Alarm overview	Operator (500)
Process alarm limits	Engineer (1000)
Calibration	Always show Operator (500)
Metrological configuration	Technician (750) Engineer (1000) Administrator (2000)

Station recalculation

On systems that consists of a station with multiple runs, it's now possible to enable station recalculation, which allows for entering lab data (BS&W, standard density and/or viscosity) for all separate runs on one single display. Alternatively, if station BS&W, station density and/or station viscosity are enabled, generic lab data can be entered, which is then applied to all runs simultaneously. A click on the 'Print recalculated meter tickets' button generates a recalculated station report as well as recalculated meter tickets for the individual runs.

Print recalculated meter tickets **Print recalculated meter tickets**

Batch recalculation

Recalc std density input unit	Relative density [-]
Run 1 recalc standard density	0.789335
Run 2 recalc standard density	0.788947

Retroactively apply standard density and / or BS&W override values

By selecting these options, it is not needed anymore to wait until a batch has been closed and the meter ticket has been generated, before entering the standard density and / or BS&W value for recalculation. The entered values will directly be used on the meter ticket, so it's not needed to create an extra recalculated ticket.

Run1

R1 Standard density override	0.789123
R1 Recalc std density input unit	Relative density
R1 Batch end command	R1 Batch end command

Features inherited from Liquid_Metric

Because the Liquid_Metric and Liquid_USC applications are from now on derived from one and the same source, the Liquid_USC application has inherited a large number of features and improvements that were already available in Liquid_Metric.

These include a.o.:

- Data valid digital input
- Support for Faure Herman 8400 flow meter

- Support for dual transmitters for meter temperature and meter pressure
- Support for venturi nozzles, long radius nozzles and ISA1932 nozzles
- Support for dual densitometers on run and station
- Support for Anton Paar densitometers (time period, analog, Modbus and HART)
- Metric API tables 53/54 and 59/60 (A,B,D,E)
- OIML-R22 calculations for Ethanol / water mixtures
- Asphalt calculations ASTM D4311/4311M-09
- Product selection based on viscosity
- Density correction for Coriolis meters
- Prover FCV control

Liquid_USC v4.0.1 (June 2021)

Bugfix version, includes about 10 fixes, including:

- Compile errors when opening application in older versions of Excel
- Calibration values for differential pressure transmitters were not stored
- Spurious deviation alarms during calibration of differential pressure transmitters
- Sampler pulse output was not working correctly in some cases
- Sometimes, with repeatability limit mode 'Progressive (uncertainty limit)', prove runs that were just out of limits were accepted anyway
- Incorrect density read from Caldon 8-path ultrasonic meter
- Always use rounded Ctpl to calculate standard volume

Liquid_USC v4.0.0 (April 2021)

The Liquid_USC application version 4.0.0 has been released in April 2021.

This application requires Flow-Xpress 3.2.0 or later.

Besides the features and changes described below, this release also contains around 30 minor improvements and bug-fixes.

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Two separate application files

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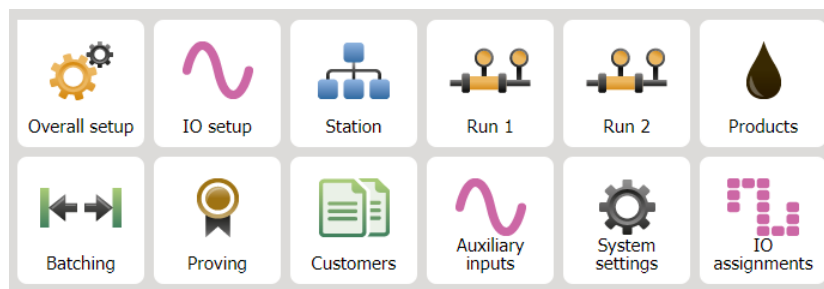
- **Liquid_USC Master 4.0.0.fxm**
Application for single run flow computers (X/C, X/M, X/P1) or multiple run flow computers (one run per module). Loading functionality is available and can be facultatively used.
- **Liquid_USC Master 4.0.0 v2 2runs.fxm**
Application for version 2 flow computers with 2 runs (X/C, X/M, X/P1). Loading functionality is available and can be facultatively used.

No 'abbreviated' version (for version 1 multiple run flow computers) has been released.

New Features/Changes

New menu structure for improved ease of configuration

Configuration has been made easier, using a more intuitive menu structure. All configuration parameters are now collected within one configuration menu which can be followed top down to configure the complete flow computer. **Furthermore**, configuration displays have been optimised, hiding all non-applicable settings and thus avoiding confusion as much as possible.



Improved 'IO assignment' display.

The 'IO assignment' display, which provides a complete overview of all assigned IO, now also shows configuration errors like 'incorrect input type', 'incorrect module', 'incorrect unit' etc.

Analog inputs	
R1 Meter temperature - Run	<input type="text" value="Ain 1 *UNITS*"/>
R1 Meter pressure - Run	<input type="text" value="Ain 2 *TYPE*"/>
Digital inputs	
R1 Meter pulse input A	<input type="text" value="Dig 1"/>
R2 Meter pulse input A	<input type="text" value="*MODULE*"/>
R1 Meter pulse input B	<input type="text" value="Dig 2"/>
Digital outputs	
R1 Pulse output 1 - Run	<input type="text" value="Dig 9"/>

Support of non-standard transmitter units

Now transmitters with non-standard units (like temperature transmitters in kPa, or temperature transmitters in °C) can be easily used, making use of the new capability to convert the input into the right units.

Analog inputs			
Analog input 1 type	<input type="text" value="4-20 mA"/>	Analog input 1 tag	<input type="text" value="PT-102"/>
Analog input 1 unit type	<input type="text" value="Pressure"/>	Analog input 1 pressure unit	<input type="text" value="kPa"/>
Analog input 1 averaging	<input type="text" value="Arithmetic mean"/>	Analog input 1 zero scale	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Analog input 1 full scale	<input type="text" value="5000"/>	Analog input 1 low fail limit	<input type="text" value="-2.5 %span"/>
Analog input 1 high fail limit	<input type="text" value="102.5 %span"/>		

New calibration / verification procedure

The application is provided with a new, extended procedure for calibration, verification and zeroing of process inputs, analog inputs, PT100 inputs, analog outputs and multivariable transmitters. Selection is by 'Meter run' (for process inputs) or by 'IO module' (for IO points). Inputs selected for calibration, verification or zero offset adjustment can be frozen before the calibration is started. Up to 5 calibration and up to 8 verification points are supported. Calibration results are stored at the end of the calibration sequence and a calibration / verification report is generated.

Input selection			
Selected run	<input type="text" value="1"/>		
Deselect	<input type="button" value="Deselect"/>		
Selected input			
Selected input	<input type="text" value="Meter pressure"/>	Frozen value	<input type="text" value="145.0377 psi"/>
Uncorrected value	<input type="text" value="145.0377 psi"/>	Corrected value	<input type="text" value="145.0377 psi"/>
Zero offset			
Zero offset	<input type="text" value="0.0000 psi"/>	Set zero offset value	<input type="text"/>
Set zero offset	<input type="button" value="Set zero offset"/>	Reset zero offset	<input type="button" value="Reset zero offset"/>
Clear calibration data			
Clear calibration data	<input type="button" value="Clear calibration data"/>		
Calibration / Verification			
Start calibration	<input type="button" value="Start calibration"/>	Start verification	<input type="button" value="Start verification"/>

Verification report for ABB Coriolismaster meter

The Flow-X closely works together with the ABB Coriolismaster Verimass technology to safeguard the meter’s health and accuracy. The Verimass functionality can be fully controlled from the flow computer display and the flow computer can create a meter verification report that contains detailed diagnostic data on the meter’s behaviour.

VeriMass On/Off

On

Print verification report

Print verification report

OPERATION SETTINGS

Control Type

Manual

Driver Current Max

5.200 mA

Driver Current Time

10.00 s

EROSION MONITOR

Driver Current

4.837 mA

Meter erosion - Actual Value

3.360 mA

ABB Coriolismaster Verification Report			
Verification VeriMass: Erosion monitor			
VeriMass group	OK		
Erosion monitor	On		
Baseline fingerprint	5.200	mA	
Tolerance level	4.235	mA	
Baseline last period	3.360	mA	
Meter specific information		User settings	
Transmitter tag	FM-258	Qm max	5.12 g/s

Liquid_USC v3.0.0 (November 2019)

The Liquid_USC application version 3.0.0 has been released in November 2019.

This application requires Flow-Xpress 3.0.0 or later.

Besides the features and changes described below, this release also contains around 150 minor improvements and bug-fixes.

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- **Liquid_USC Master 3.0.0 loading.fxm**
Full application for single and multiple run flow computers (one run per module) with added loading functionality
- **Liquid_USC Master 3.0.0 v2 2runs.fxm**
Application for version 2 flow computers with 2 runs running in one module (X/M or X/C).

Multistream application for version 2 hardware

With the release of version 2 hardware (X/M and X/C), which has much more memory available, it has become possible to control more than one run from one Flow-X module. The new Liquid_USC v2 2runs application supports up to 2 runs on a single X/M or X/C flow computer.

SNTP Time Synchronization

From this application version, the Flow-X supports time synchronization with one or more NTP time servers. Both servers on local networks and on the Internet are supported. It's possible to configure communication with up to four separate NTP servers.

PERIOD DEFINITION	
SNTP period duration (days)	<input type="text" value="1"/>
SNTP time of day (hh:mm)	<input type="text" value="01:33"/>
NTP SERVER 1	
NTP server 1 - hostname / IP-address	<input type="text" value="0.nl.pool.ntp.org"/>
NTP server 1 - port number	<input type="text" value="123"/>
NTP SERVER 2	
NTP server 2 - hostname / IP-address	<input type="text" value="1.nl.pool.ntp.org"/>
NTP server 2 - port number	<input type="text" value="123"/>

Automatic HART slave ID lookup

With this new feature, finding the configured slave ID of a connected HART transmitter is made very simple. Just tell the flow computer to search for a transmitter, upon which flow computer starts a search on the HART loop and reports back any transmitter it has found.

SELECTED HART INPUT	
HART device	<input type="text" value="No device"/>
SCAN HART ID	
HART slave ID	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Communication status	<input type="text" value="OK"/>
Scan from slave ID 0	<input type="button" value="Scan from slave ID 0"/>
Abort scan	<input type="button" value="Abort scan"/>
Continue scan	<input type="button" value="Continue scan"/>
Max scan time	<input type="text" value="15 s"/>
Scanning wait time	<input type="text" value="0 s"/>
Scanning active	<input type="text" value="No"/>
HART TRANSMITTER INFO	
Manufacturer	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Device ID	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Variable 1 units	<input type="text" value="0"/>

Prove result test based on API 13.2 Control Chart

For this test the flow computer maintains an API 13.2 control chart with the last 10 proved meter factors. Before accepting a new meter factor, it is added to the chart and a check is done against the selected probability range.

CONTROL CHART MF TEST	
Control chart MF test	<input type="button" value="Enabled"/>
Control chart MF test limits	<input type="text" value="Warning (90%)"/>

Input frozen alarms for all process inputs

The application now features 'input frozen' alarms for all live process inputs like meter temperature, meter pressure, density, differential pressure etc.

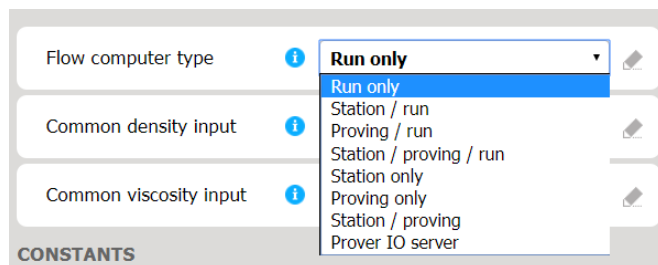
If enabled, the logic checks whether the inputs are varying within a configurable time span. If an input value hasn't changed during this time span, the flow computer creates an 'input frozen' alarm.



Removed FC type 'Remote run'

In the previous application version 2.2.0 a common configuration parameter 'FC type' has been introduced, which enables or disables the run, station and proving functionality of the flow computer. One of the options was 'remote run', which configured the flow computer as a 'remote run' to another flow computer that was serving as station or proving flow computer.

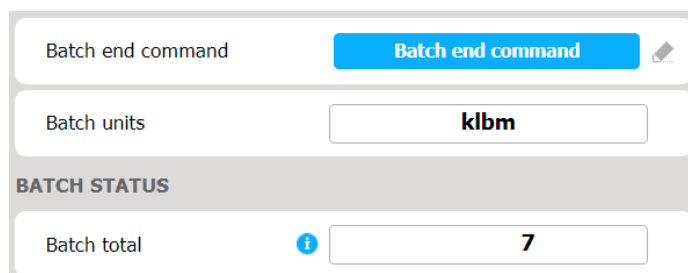
In the new application version 3.0.0 this functionality is still available, but the FC type 'remote run' has been removed from the selection list. Now it suffices to configure the remote run as 'Run only' (and configure the 'Connect to remote station' Modbus list). Please refer to the application manual for more information.



Mass based batching / loading

In previous versions of the application, batching was solely done on a volume basis. The batch size was entered as a volume, the batch progress was reported as a volume, the batch size reached alarm was based on volume and the optional auto batch end on batch size reached was acting on volume. Likewise, the optional loading logic was solely based on volume.

From version 3.0.0 it's possible to switch between volume based or mass based batching and loading.



Prove required flags / alarms

From version 3.0.0 it's possible to configure prove required flags that are raised if the actual flowrate, standard density, meter temperature or meter pressure deviates more than a configurable amount from the values at the last prove, or if a configurable maximum flow between proves has been exceeded. These flags can be read by an external system or used in custom logic to create an auto prove command. Alternatively, prove required alarms can be switched on to signal the operator that a prove is required.

DENSITY

Prove required flag on density change

Enabled

III

Density change threshold

10 kg/sm3

Density deviation period

5 min

Standard density change

6.4 kg/sm3

Prove required - std. density change

False

Flow computer configuration report

From version Liquid_USC v3.0.0 it is possible to generate a configuration report directly from the flow computer. This report contains an extensive overview of the flow computer's configuration settings.

COMMON SETTINGS	Display: Configuration, Overall setup, Common settings
Flow computer type	Standalone run
Station product / batching	Disabled
Station density	Disabled
Station BS&W	Disabled
Station viscosity	Disabled
Nr. of products	1
Volume rollover [m3]	1000000000
Mass rollover [tonne]	1000000000
Mass totals type	Mass in vacuum
Dis. totals on inactive	Yes
Flow 0 on inactive	No
Auto reset maint totals	No
Reverse totals	Disabled
Dis. alarms on inactive	Yes
Dis. alarms on maint	Yes
Deviation alm delay [s]	10
MID compliance	Disabled
Allow overrides	Yes
Date format	dd/mm/yy
Time set inhibit [s]	30
CALCULATION SETTINGS	Display: Configuration, Overall setup, Meter ticket
API 12.2.2 Meas tickets	Disabled
Implement MF retroact.	Disabled
API rounding	Disabled
Use last good corr factors	Yes
Calc. extrapolation	Yes
Calc. out of range alms	Enabled
Averaging method	Flow weighted on gross volume
Volume totals dec places	3
Mass totals dec places	3
CTL dec places	6
CPL dec places	6
CCF dec places	6
BATCH SETTINGS	Display: Configuration, Overall setup, Common settings
Allow batch end if inact.	Yes

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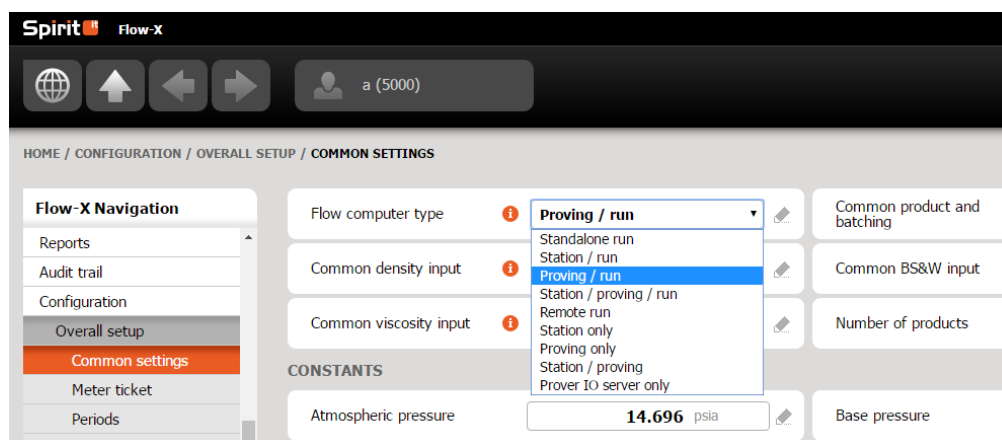
Full application for single run flow computers (X/S, X/P1, X/R1) with added loading functionality

- **Liquid_USC Master 2.2.0 abridged.fxm**

Abridged application for multiple run flow computers (X/P2, X/P3, XP4, X/R2, X/R3, X/R4). This application has the following restrictions: no reverse totals and averages, no hourly and period B totalizers and averages, no station sampler logic only, number of products limited to 8, no support of dP meters (orifice, venturi, etc.).

Parameter 'FC type' for easy configuration of run/station/proving combinations

In previous application versions enabling / disabling of the run, station and proving functionality was done by setting several parameters on a number of different displays. In this new version these parameters have been replaced by one global parameter 'FC type' on the common settings display. Based on this parameter the flow computer enables or disables the run, station and proving functionality and shows the appropriate display screens for configuration and operation. For more information please refer to the application manual.



When upgrading a flow computer from a previous application version to this new version, please remember to set this parameter accordingly.

Master meter proving in one module only (with limited functionality)

Formerly for master meter proving at least 2 modules were required: one for the meter under prove and one for the master meter. In this new application version it's also possible to do master meter proving using one single module, albeit with limited functionality:

- Only for master meters that give pulses
- Meter pulse input B is used for the master meter pulses, so only one pulse of the meter under prove can be used (no dual pulse)
- There's no master meter K-factor curve and only one master meter factor curve.
- No meter body correction or viscosity correction on the master meter.

When using separate modules for the master meter and the meter under prove, the master meter is treated as a full-blown meter without any restrictions.

Master meter proving in one module only is enabled by selecting master meter nr. '0'.

Spirit Flow-X

HOME / CONFIGURATION / PROVING / PROVER A / MASTER METER PROVING

Flow-X Navigation

- Configuration
- Overall setup
- Run 1
- Run 2
- Proving
- Proving setup
- Prover A
- Master meter proving**
- Operational
- Stability check
- Meter factor tests

Master meter proving type: Pulses

Master meter number: 0

PROVE SIZE

Master meter prove size type: Prove volume / mass

Time per prove run: 60 min

Volume / mass per prove run: 20

Meter units: bbl

Batch start command

In former application versions there was only a **Batch end command**. This command closed the active batch and immediately opened the next batch. Now there's an option to use separate Batch start and Batch end commands. When using this option the next batch is only opened when the Batch open command is activated. Any flow between the closing of the batch and the opening of the next batch is not counted in the batch totals.

BATCH COMMANDS

Batch start command **Batch start command**

Batch end command **Batch end command**

Implementation of API MPMS 12.2.2 / 12.2.3 rounding rules

This version includes a new option to apply the API MPMS 12.2.2 rounding rules for meter tickets and the API MPMS 12.2.3 rounding rules for prove reports. When this option is enabled the results of each calculation step are rounded to the number of digitals specified in the API standard, before they are used in the next calculation step.

API MPMS 12.2.2 requires the batch to be recalculated after closing, because the calculations are based on the average batch process values. Therefore, when 'API 12.2.2 Measurement Tickets' compliance is enabled, a batch recalculation is conducted by the flow computer and a **recalculated meter ticket** is printed (instead of the normal meter ticket).

Apply meter factor retroactively

A new option makes it possible to apply a meter factor retroactively. This means that the end-of-batch meter factor is retroactively applied to the whole batch. With this option it is possible to use the meter factor that is obtained from a prove during the execution of a batch to the whole batch, including the part before the prove was conducted.

As this option requires the batch to be recalculated after closing, the results will be printed on the **recalculated meter ticket**.

Average Meter Factor method for pipe and compact proving

API MPMS 12.2.3 allows for two different meter factor calculation methods:

- the **average data method** (calculating the proved meter factor from input data averaged over all prove runs)
- the **average meter factor method** (calculating the proved meter factor as the average of the individually calculated run meter factors)

Formerly for pipe and compact proving the Flow-X only was supporting the average data method. In this application version alternatively the average meter factor method can be selected.

Loading functionality

Liquid_USC Master 2.2.0 loading.fxm contains the following added loading functionality:

- Loading data entry
- Loading sequence with optional low flow start, high flow and optional low flow end stages.
- 4 loading commands (start loading, stop loading, finish loading, emergency shutdown) through user interface and / or digital inputs
- Ground connected permissive, 4 extra digital input permissives
- Data entry permissives, max. BS&W permissive, 3 custom permissives
- Flow control by means of flow control valve or two stage valve
- Control of inlet and outlet valves
- Pump control
- Booster pump control (analog or digital)
- Divert valve control

The screenshot displays the Spirit flow-X software interface. The top navigation bar includes the Spirit logo, 'flow-X', language (ENGLISH), status (UNLOCKED), and a timestamp (04/11/16 11:53:20). Below the navigation bar, there are icons for home, back, forward, and a user profile labeled 'autologin (10000)'. The main content area is divided into two sections: 'Flow-X Navigation' on the left and 'LOADING AMOUNT' on the right. The 'Flow-X Navigation' menu lists various options: Run, Run setup, Run control setup, Flow Meter, Flow rate, Temperature, Pressure, Density, BS&W, Viscosity, Batching, Loading, Loading setup, Operational (highlighted), Loading data entry, Loading permissives, Booster pump, and Product evaluation. The 'LOADING AMOUNT' section contains several input fields for configuring loading parameters. These include: Batch size (100 bbl), Low flow at start amount (0.5 bbl), Low flow at end amount (0.5 bbl), Early end amount (0.1 bbl), Low flow rate setpoint (10 bbl/hr), High flow rate setpoint (100 bbl/hr), Margin for low flow rate check (15 %), Margin for high flow rate check (15 %), Open valve delay time (5 s), Maximum allowable time to reach start low flow (20 s), Maximum allowable time to reach high flow (20 s), Maximum allowable time to stop the flow (20 s), Pump shutdown delay time (10 s), Restart loading timeout time (10 s), and Deadband time on meter inactive abort (10 s).

Remote station / remote run configuration

Several flow computers can be set up to operate in a remote station / remote run configuration. In this configuration one flow computer is set up as a remote station that is communicating to a number of (max. 8) remote run flow computers. Each flow computer is running a separate application. Inter-FC communication is done through Modbus TCP/IP. All station functionality is executed by the remote station flow computer, all run functionality is executed by the individual remote run flow computers.

Remote station functionality may include:

- Station totalizing based on the totalizer data from the individual remote runs
- Read data from station transmitters (density, BS&W and/or viscosity transmitters connected to the remote station flow computer) and send the process values to all remote run flow computers
- Prove a remote meter run, using a pipe, compact or small volume prover, and send the resulting meter factor to the remote run flow computer
- Prove a remote meter run against a local or remote master meter and send the resulting meter factor to the remote run flow computer
- Station batch control
- Station flow control
- Station sampler control

Dedicated **connect to remote run** and **connect to remote station** Modbus drivers are available to handle inter-FC communication.

