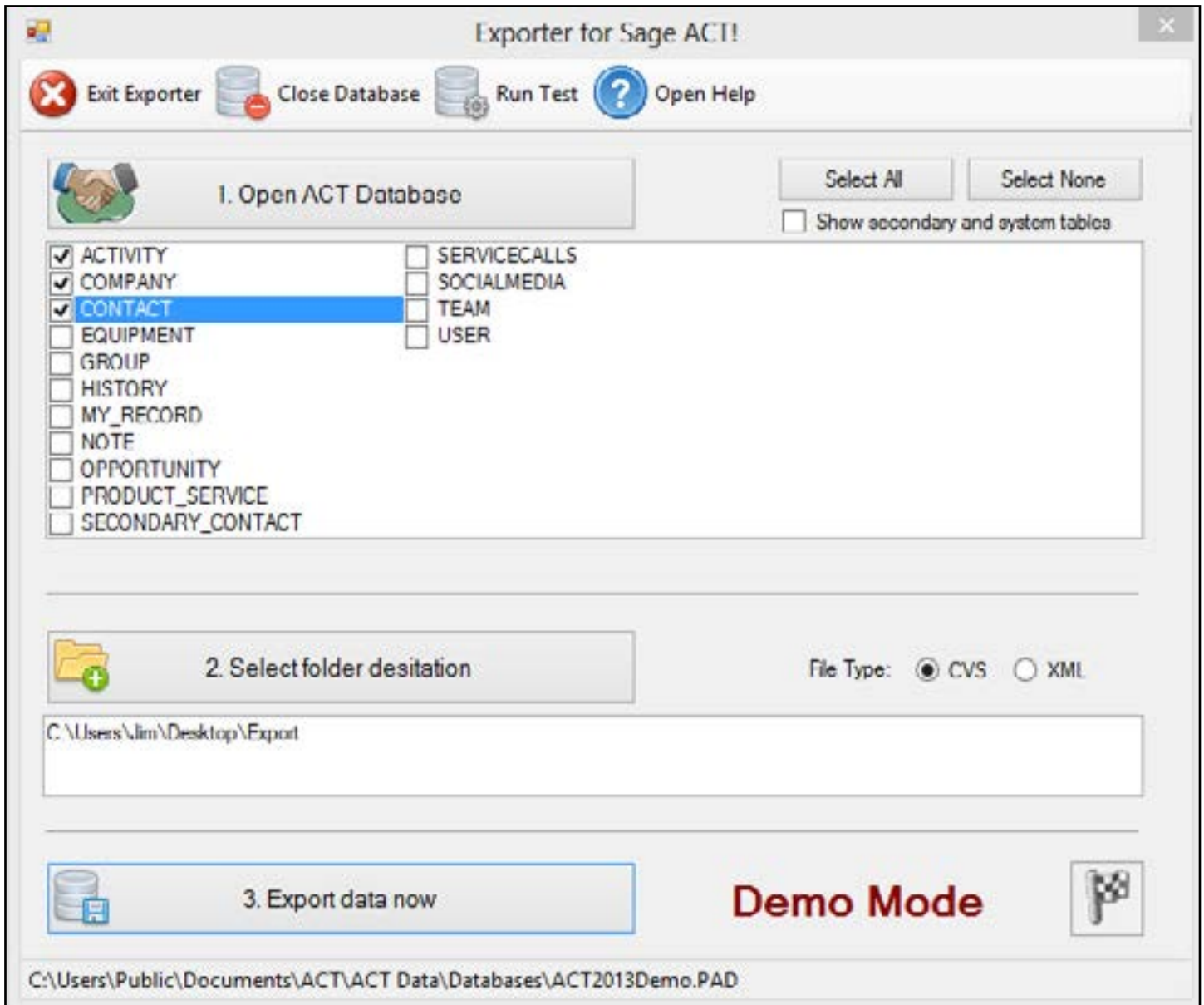# Data Exporter for Act!

The data export utility will export all data from a specific table or from ANY table in the Act! SQL database.

For Exporting instructions, click **Exporting Data** (next page)

Every time you export data a Log File is created. For more information, click **Log File (**page 3)
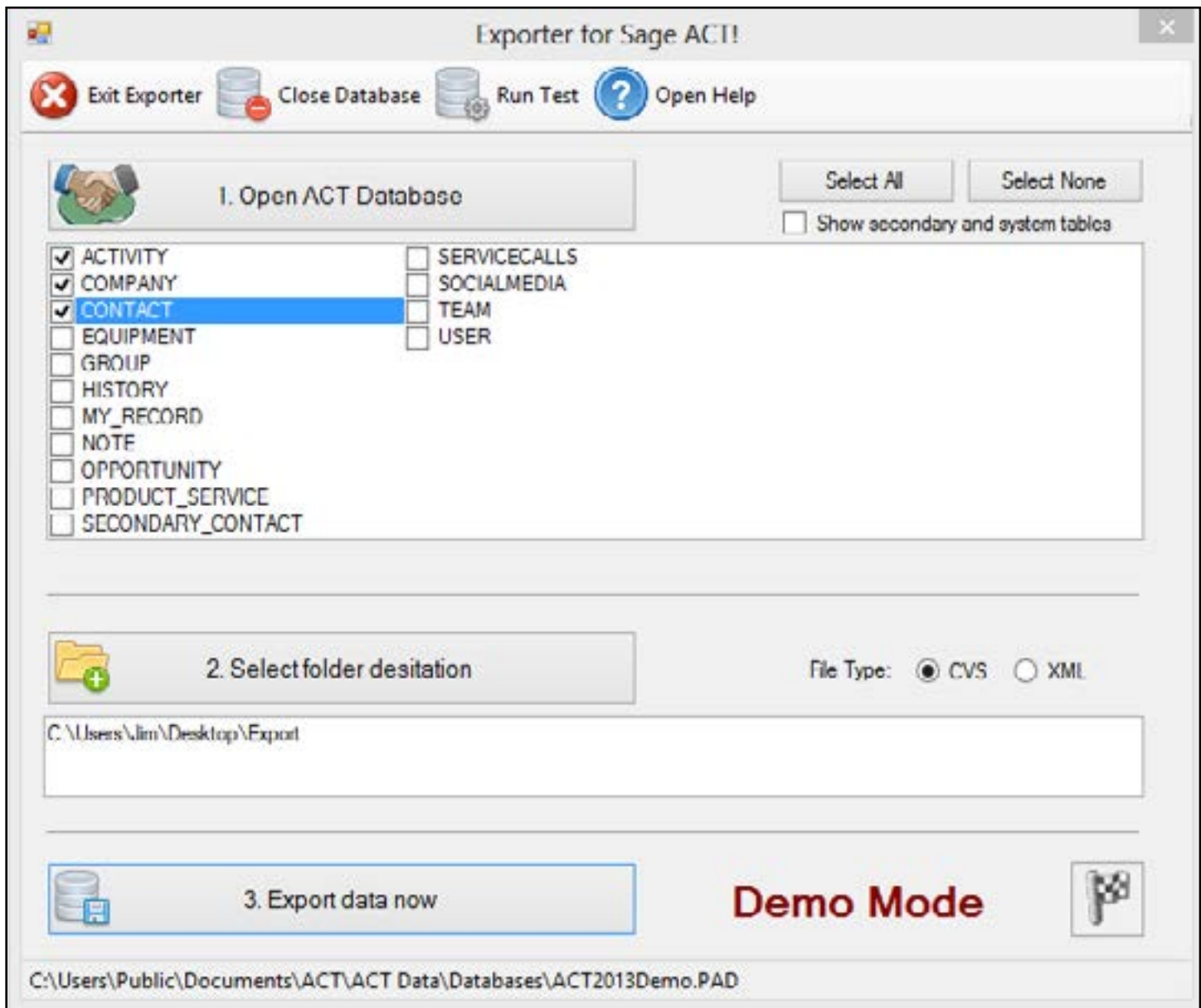

The Exporter supports two different file format; CSV or XML.

Comma-Separated Values (CSV) file format is a very simple data file format that is supported by almost all spreadsheet software such as Excel

Extensible Markup Language (XML) is a markup language that defines a set of rules for encoding documents in a format that is both human-readable and machine-readable. It is defined in the XML 1.0 Specification produced by the W3C, and several other related specifications, all gratis open standards.

Exporting Data

Exporting data is as simple as 1-2-3. Please follow these instructions to complete an export.

1. Click Open ACT Database

Using this button please locate your ACT database file (*.pad) Once selected you will be prompted to enter your user name and password.

Opening the database will present you with a list of tables available to export. By default only the primary tables are displayed. If you need to export data from secondary table please click on the "Show secondary and system tables" option.

Please a check mark in your desired tables to export.

2. Click Select folder destination

Using this button please to select the folder destination where the export will place the CVS or XML files. All export files will be named the same as the table name. You may also change the file type from CVS to XML.

3. Click Export Data Now. A progress bar will notify you when the export is completed.

Log File

Inside your destination folder will be all a list of selected tables in the CVS or XML format.

There is also a _Log.text file. Your log file will look like this:

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Export started at 5/21/2013 4:09:57 PM

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Table count = 3

Output format = CSV

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50 ACTIVITY records.

        saved to 'C:\Users\Jim\Desktop\Export\ACTIVITY.csv'

 33 COMPANY records.

        saved to 'C:\Users\Jim\Desktop\Export\COMPANY.csv'

 50 CONTACT records.

        saved to 'C:\Users\Jim\Desktop\Export\CONTACT.csv'

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Export completed 5/21/2013 4:09:59 PM

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