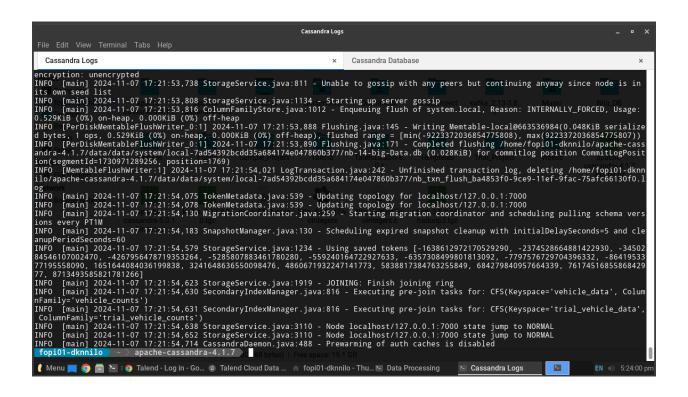
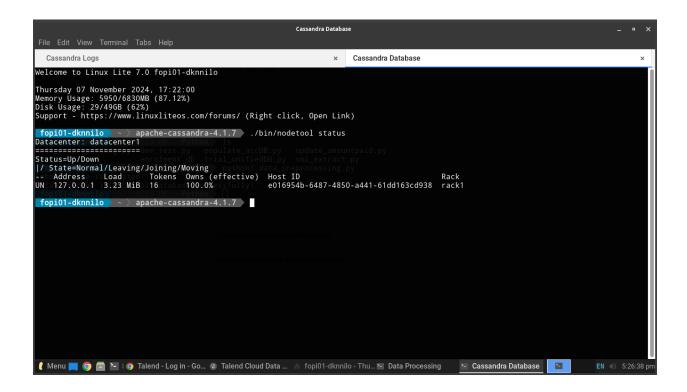
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CASSANDRA STATUS CHECK

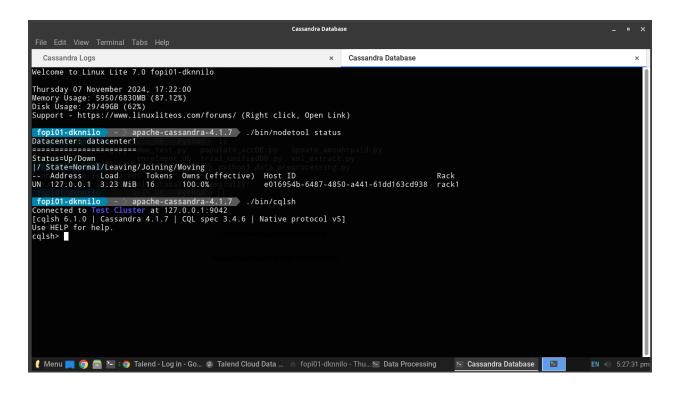
The first thing we did is to determine the status of Cassandra logs by navigating into the apache-cassandra-4.1.7 directory. Inside the directory, we typed the commands, tail -f logs/system.log and ./bin/nodetool status to check the connection availability. Doing this will determine whether the Cassandra is down, and if it is possible to read, write and update data inside the database.

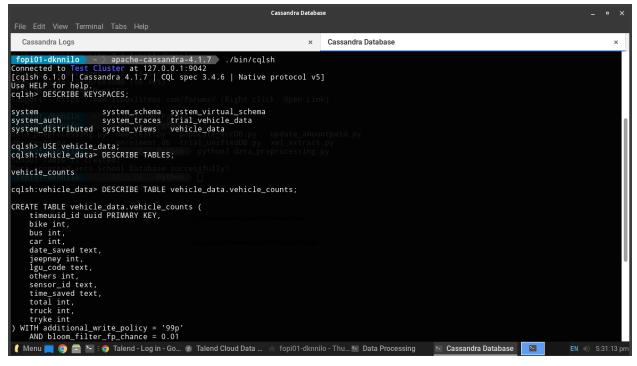


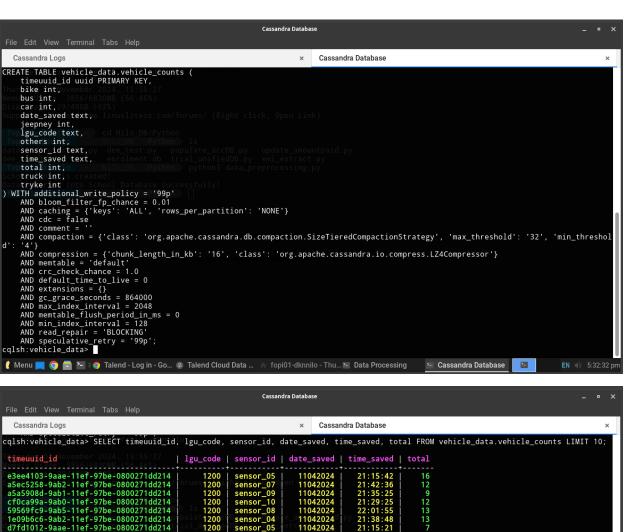


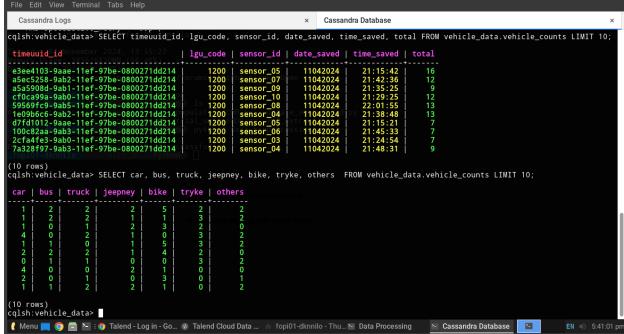
ACCESSING CASSANDRA DATABASE

After checking the connection, we access the Cassandra database by using the command ./bin/cqlsh. We checked the if the vehicle_data keyspace is present in the Cassandra database using the command DESCRIBE KEYSPACE. We also checked the information of the vehicle_counts table by using the command DESCRIBE TABLE vehicle_data.vehicle_counts. Then, we display the first 10 entries of the table using the commands SELECT timeuuid_id, lgu_code, sensor_id, date_saved, time_saved, FROM total vehicle_data.vehicle_counts LIMIT 10; to display the first 6 six columns of the table and **SELECT** jeepney, FROM bus, truck, bike, tryke, vehicle_data.vehicle_counts LIMIT 10; to display the specific counts of vehicles based on their categories.



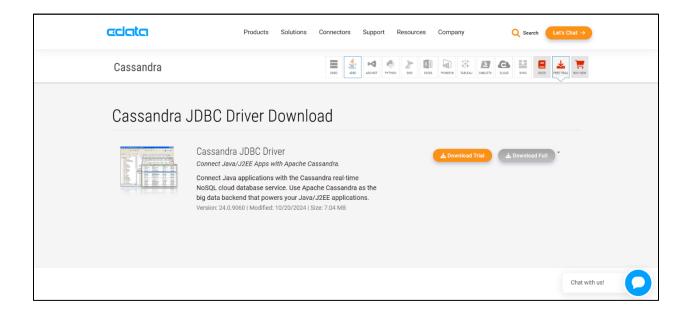


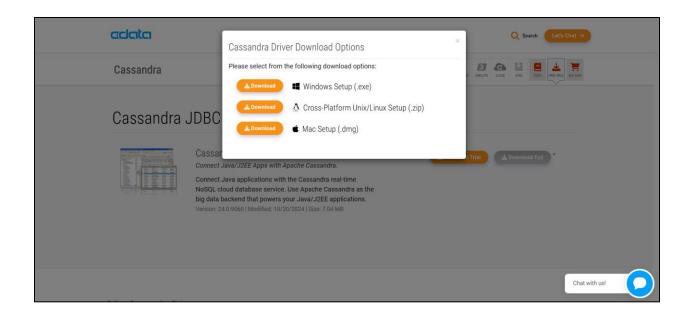




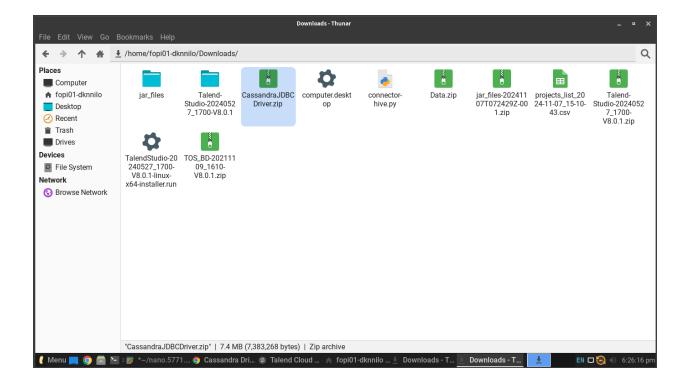
DOWNLOADING AND INSTALLING JDBC DRIVER

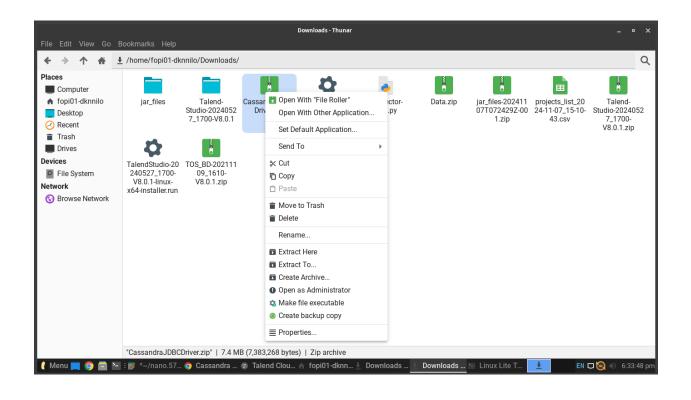
The next step after checking the cctv_counts table is downloading and installing the JDBC driver. Installing JDBC Driver is important as it enables users to connect with live Cassandra data from various applications that support JDBC connectivity, such as Talend. We installed the Cassandra JDBC Driver software using the link: https://www.cdata.com/drivers/cassandra/download/jdbc/. We clicked the Download Trial button and chose the Cross-Platform Unix/Linux Setup to download the software into our Linux Lite Virtual Machine.

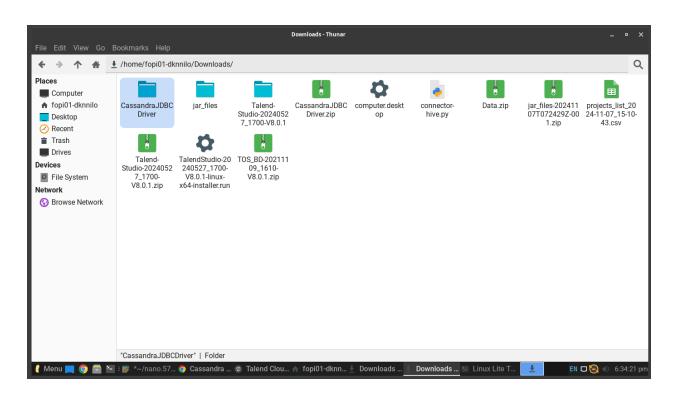


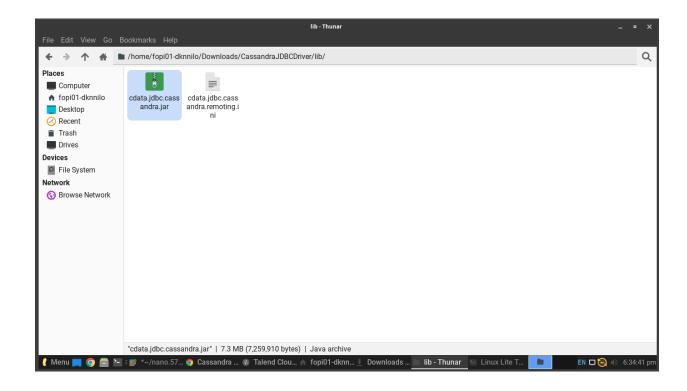


After the downloading process, we unzip the file to check its contents. The unzipped, folder contains the jar file for the JDBC and the configuration settings for the driver. In this activity, we will be using the jar file as shown in the later processes.



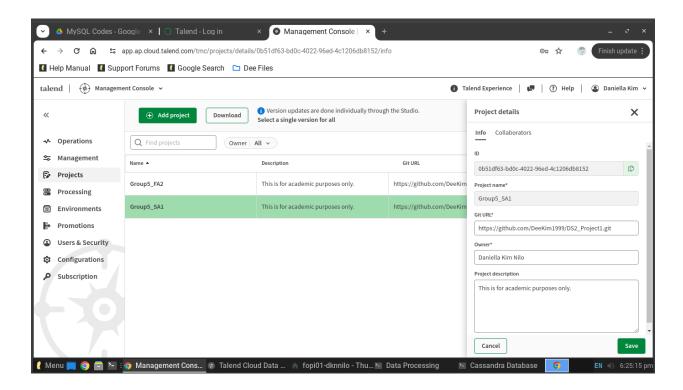






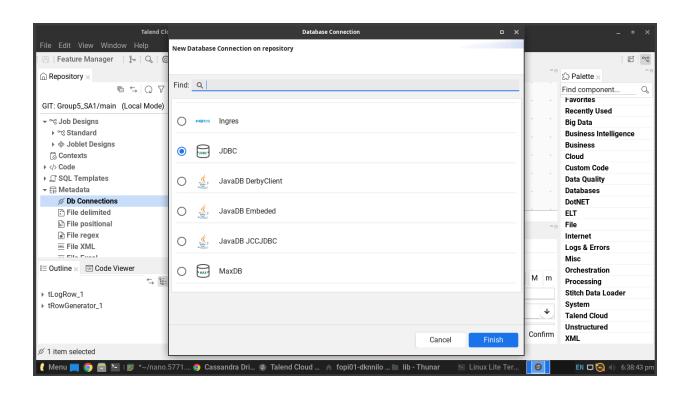
CREATING A NEW PROJECT

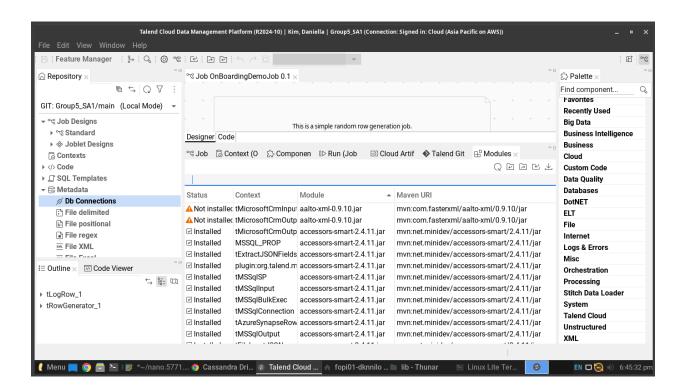
After ensuring the successful download of the JDBC Driver, we now moved on to creating a new Talend project. The project is saved in the Git URL and contains the following information as shown in the image.

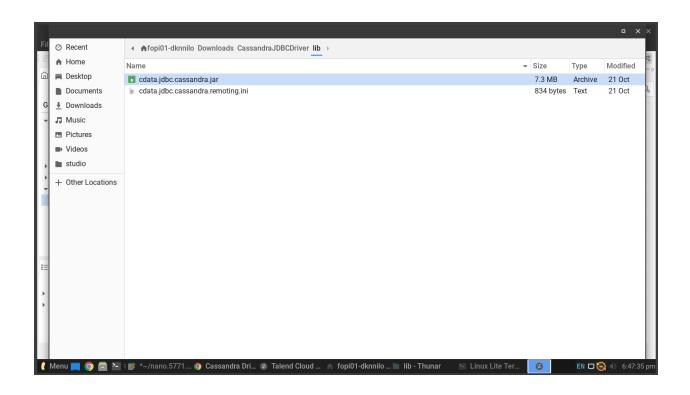


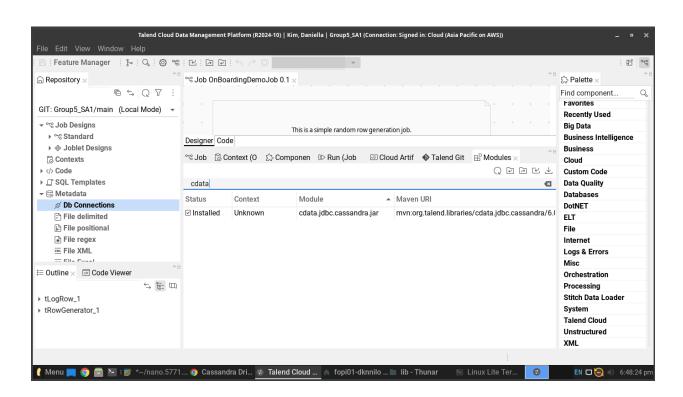
CREATING A CONNECTION

After successfully creating a project, our next step is to create a connection between Cassandra and Talend. The first thing we did was to choose the JDBC button as a database connection on the repository. Then on the Modules tab, we clicked the export external driver and loaded the JDBC Driver jar file we just downloaded. After loading the driver, we manually verified if it installed properly by typing cdata on the search bar.



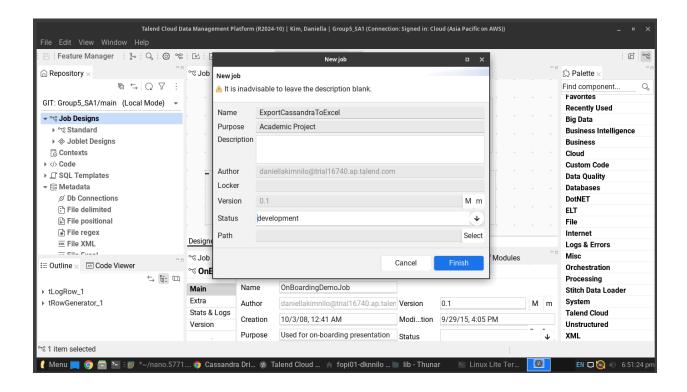


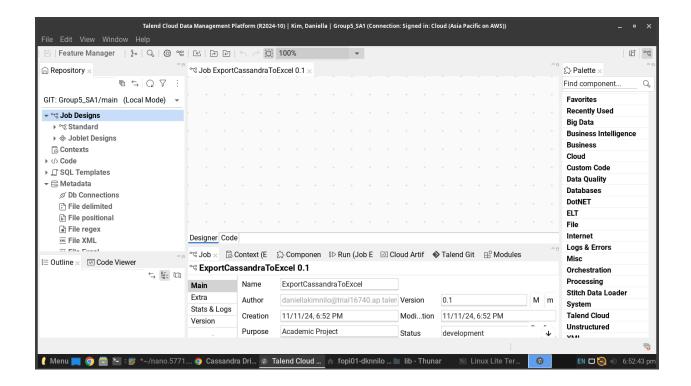




CREATE A NEW JOB FOR CASSANDRA TO EXCEL

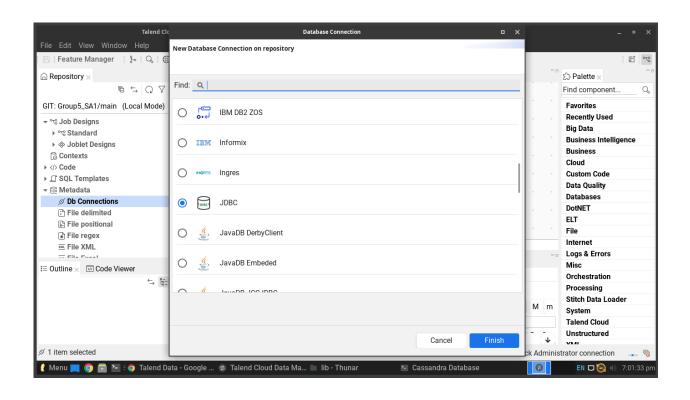
After creating a connection, we proceeded with creating a new job for exporting Cassandra data to Excel. In this step, we first click the new job button. We input the name of the project (ExportCassandraToExcel), its purpose (Academic Project), its status (development), and then clicked the Finish button. After clicking the button, we are re-directed into the workspace where the newly typed information is shown.

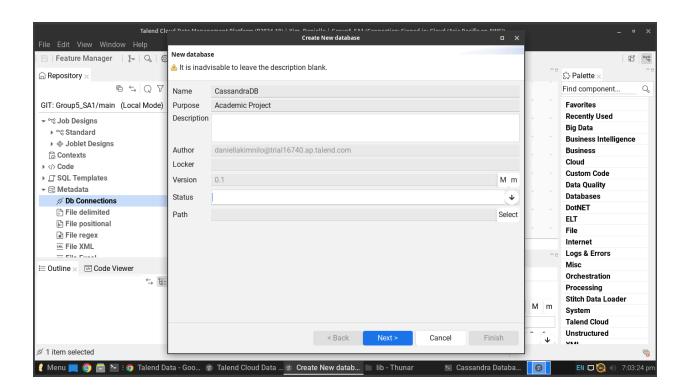


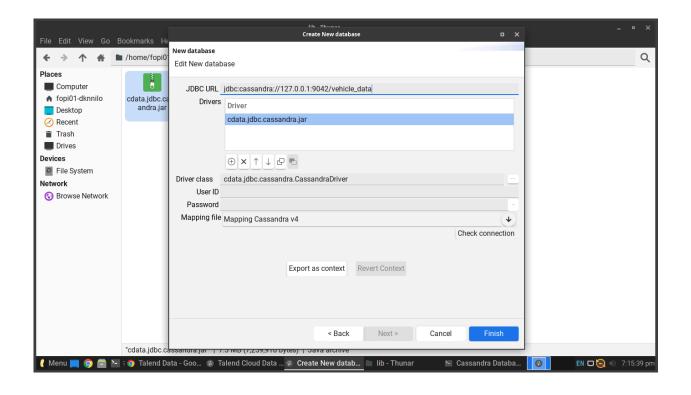


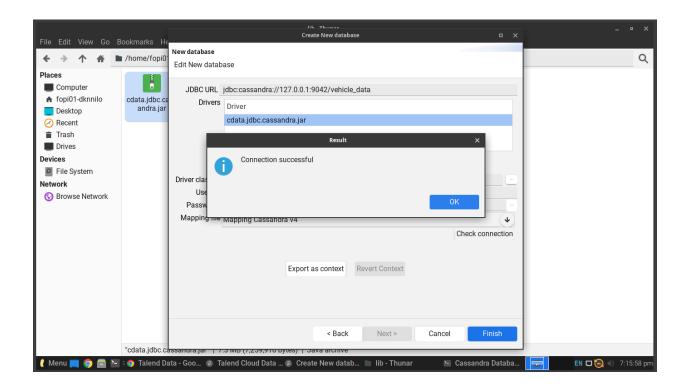
CREATING A JDBC DB CONNECTION

In creating this connection, we first clicked the JDBC button for the Database Connection window and entered Cassandra DB for name and Academic Project for Purpose in the Create New database window. We clicked the next button, and it redirected us to another page. On this page, we entered the JDBC URL (jdbc:cassandra://127.0.0.1:9042/vehicle_data) and clicked the cdata.jbdc.cassandra.jar for the driver. We clicked the finish button to end the process. Another prompt showed our connection process is successful.



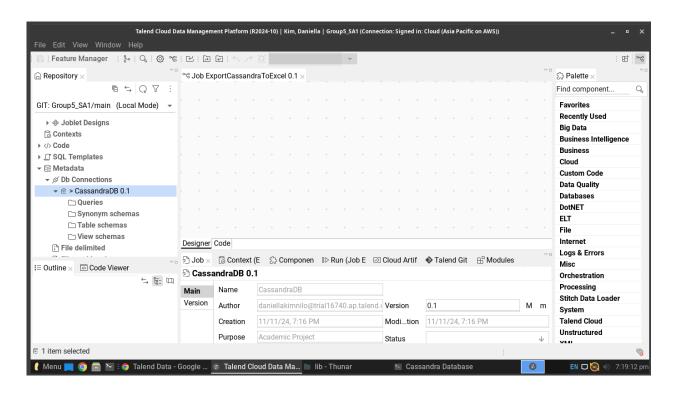


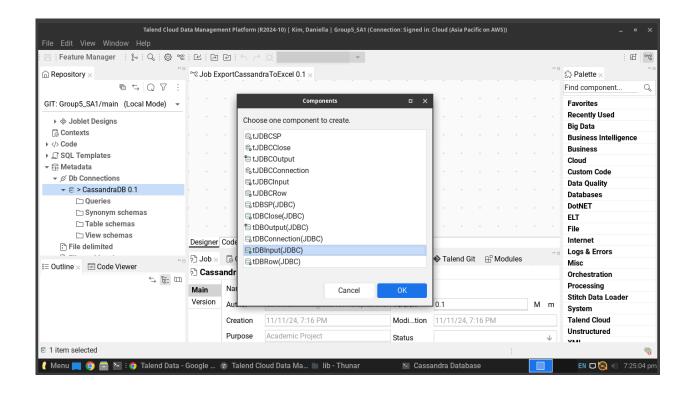




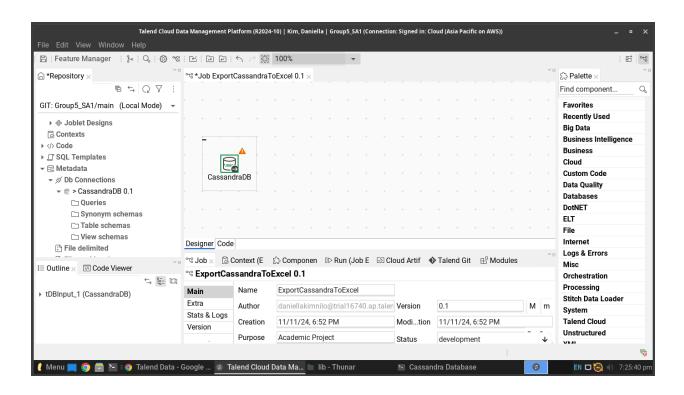
EXPORTING PROCESS

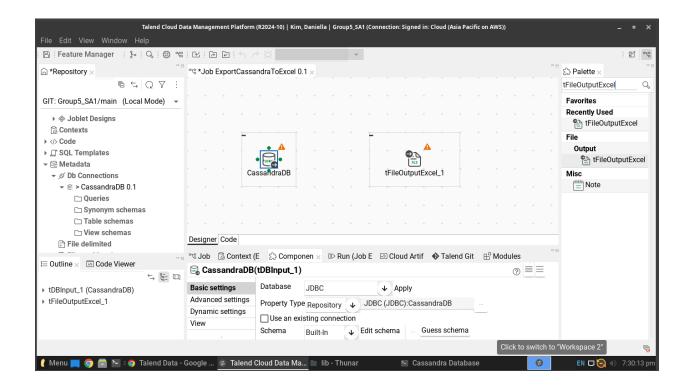
Clicking OK on the last prompt brought us back to the Job ExportCassandraToExcel 0.1 workspace. We dragged the CassandraDB 0.1from the left pane and chose tDBInput(JDBC) from the list of components. The tDBInput(JDBC) is chosen because this component is designed to read data from a database using a JDBC connection and then acts as an input component in the Talend job.



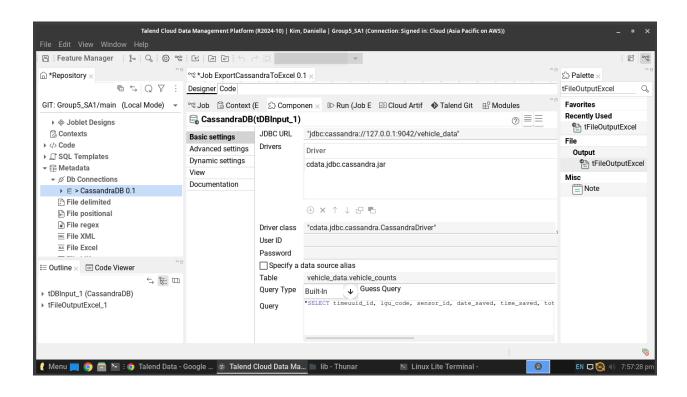


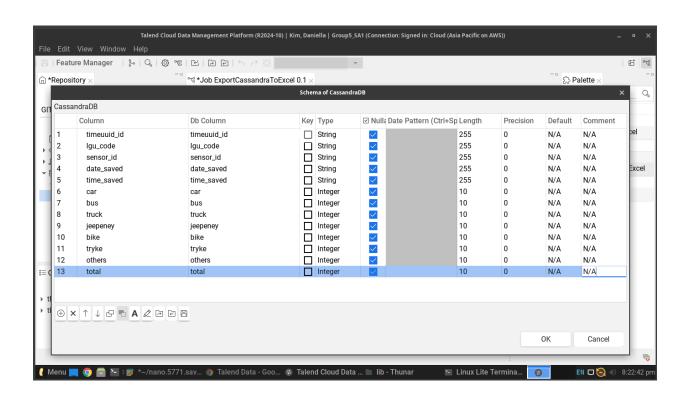
After clicking the OK button, the components tab closes, and the CassandraDB is imported into the workspace. From the left pallet, go to Outline and drag tFileOutputExcel. This component will write an Excel file with separated data values based on the data stored in the Cassandra schema.



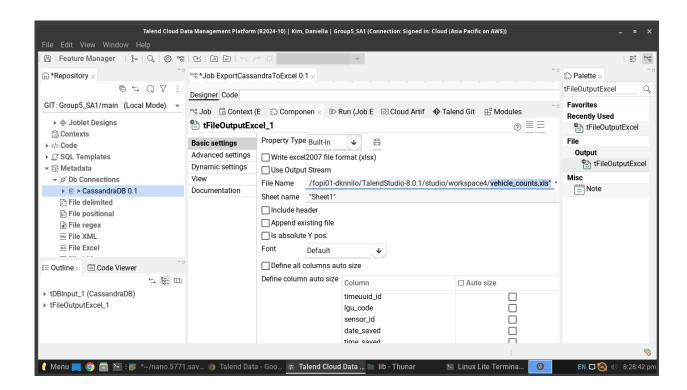


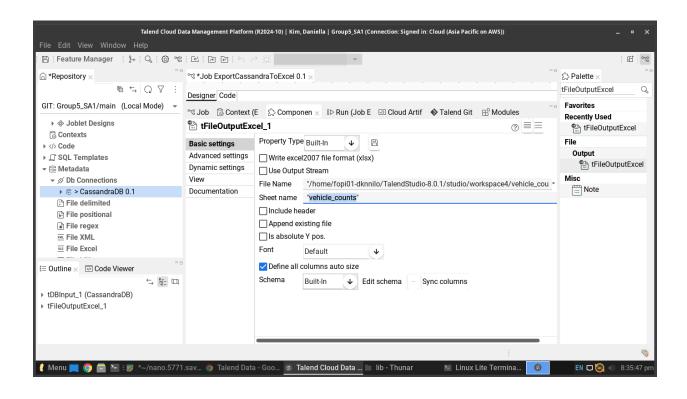
The next process is to configure the tDBInput_1(CassandraDB) by clicking it and adjusting the Designer windows upwards. In this window, write vehicle_counts in the Table textbox, and then type SELECT timeuuid_id, lgu_code, sensor_id, date_saved, time_saved, car, bus, truck, jeepney, bike, tryke, others, total FROM vehicle_data.vehicle_counts; on the Query textbox. Then, create a schema manually to arrange column names and click the OK button.

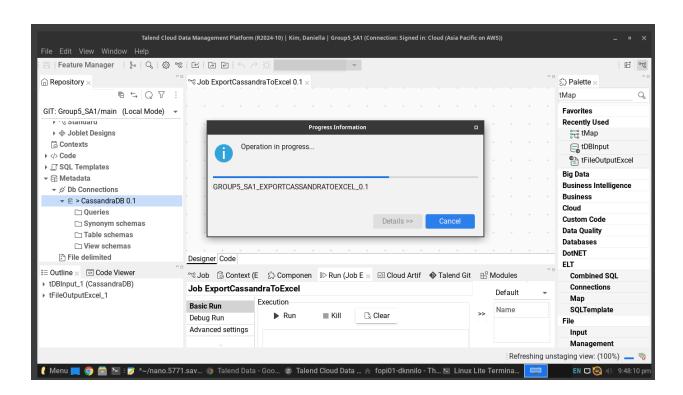




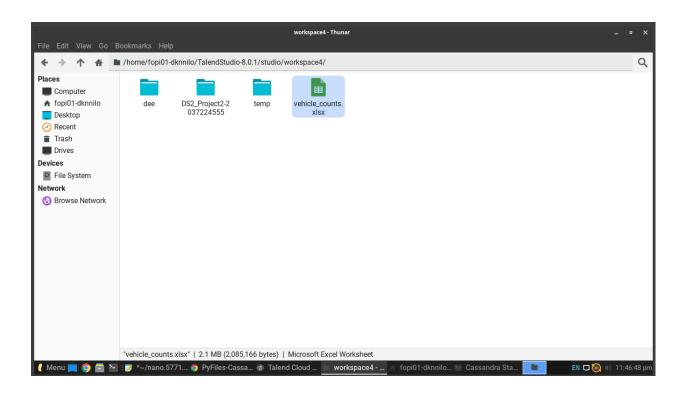
The next step is to connect the tDBInput_1(CassandraDB) to tFileOutputExcel by manually establishing a connection line between the two components. After establishing a connection, configure the tFileOutputExcel by clicking it and adjusting the Designer window. In the Components tab, go to the File Name text box and set the name of the file as /home/fopi01-dknnilo/TalendStudio-8.0|1/studio/workspace4/vehicle_counts.xls to convert the output to an Excel file. In the Sheet name textbox, remove Sheet1 and replace it with vehicle_counts. Run the job and verify the converted Excel file in the workspace.

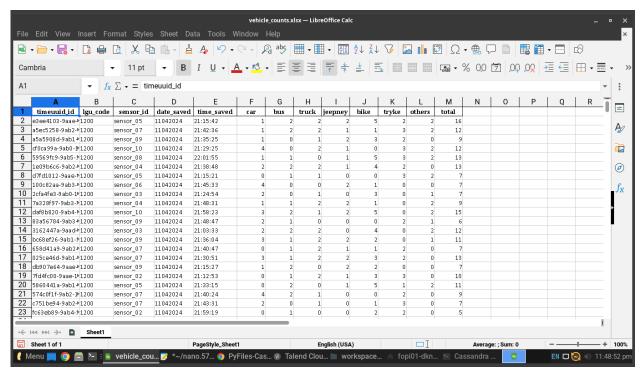


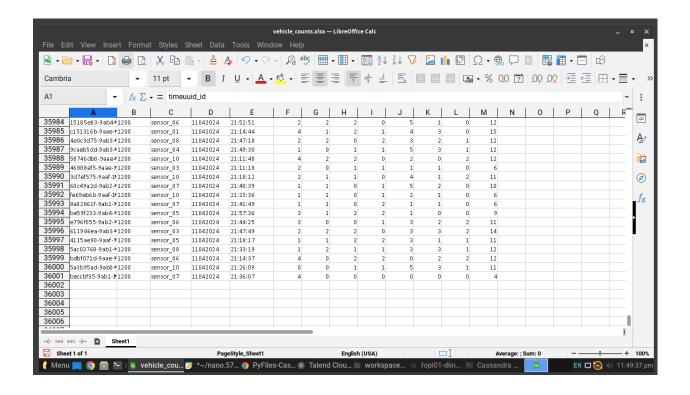




Go to the File Manager and verify if the exported .xls file is in the /home/fopi01-dknnilo/TalendStudio-8.0|1/studio/workspace4/ directory. Open the .xls file to view the export data. In this Excel file, the 36,000 entries from the 10 sensor_ids saved on Cassandra are shown.







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