Injecting to InfluxDB directly from a Compactlogix PLC

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1. HTTP Library

You can see the final result on this video

https://youtu.be/UafslB52IMU

PLC has DHCP address 192.168.1.41 connected thru a patchcord to the router.

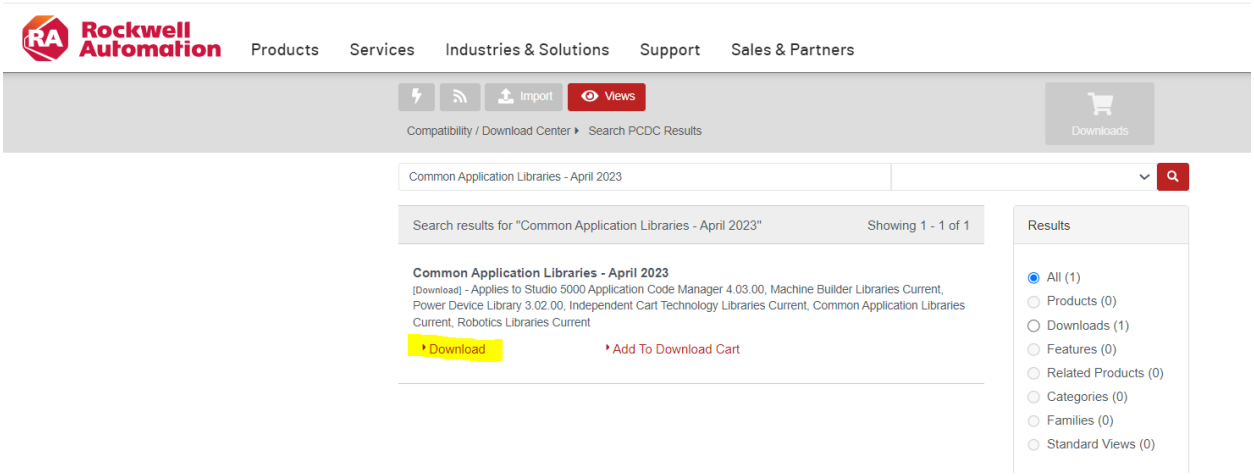
Computer is connected the router thru wifi.

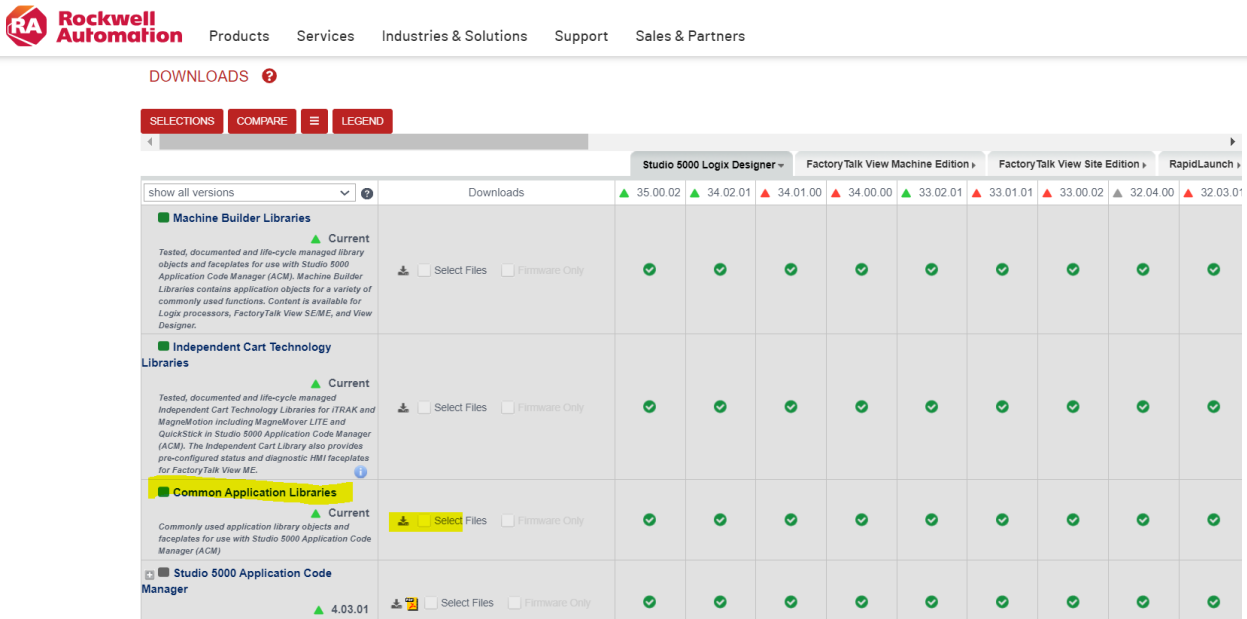
Computer has wifi DHCP address 192.168.1.163

You can find this AOI RM-raC_Opr_HTTP on this library “CommonApplicationLibraries_20230415”

This belongs to Common application library to be download from Rockwell download page.

https://compatibility.rockwellautomation.com/pages/search.aspx?crumb=117&q=Common%20Application%20Libraries%20-%20April%202023





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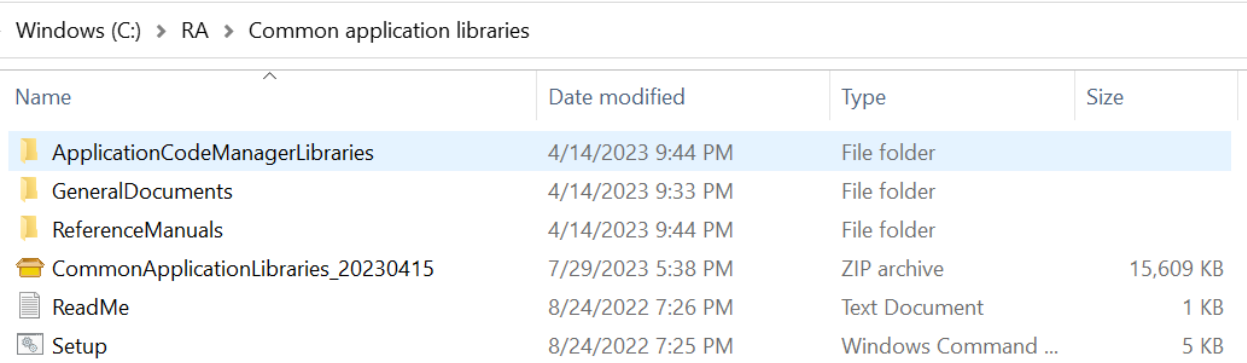

Run Setup in order to install the libraries on ACM

Open ACM

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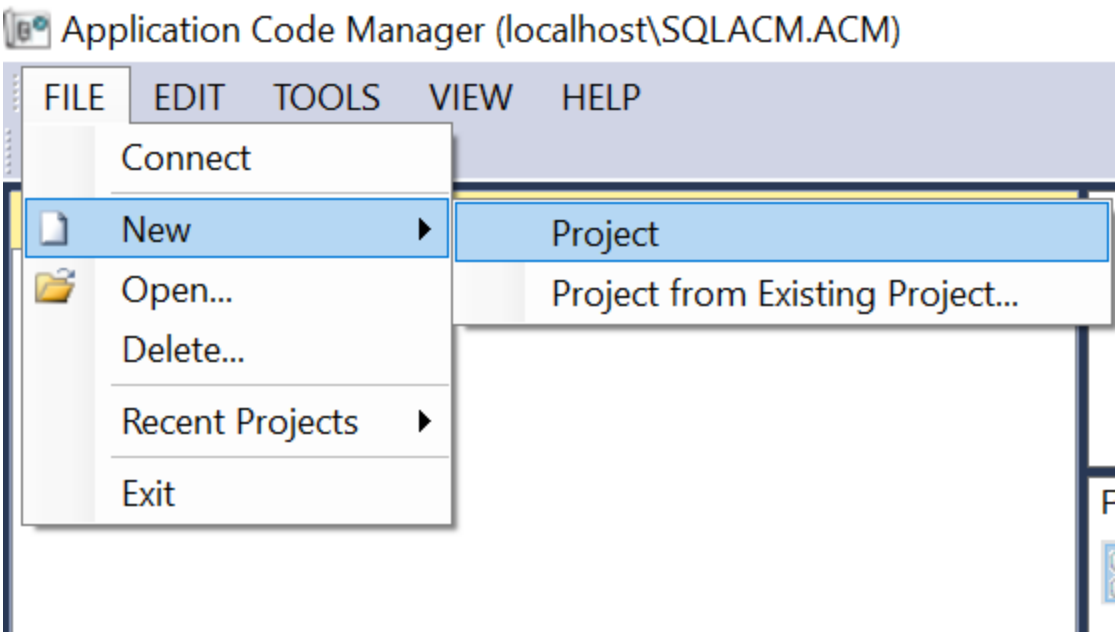

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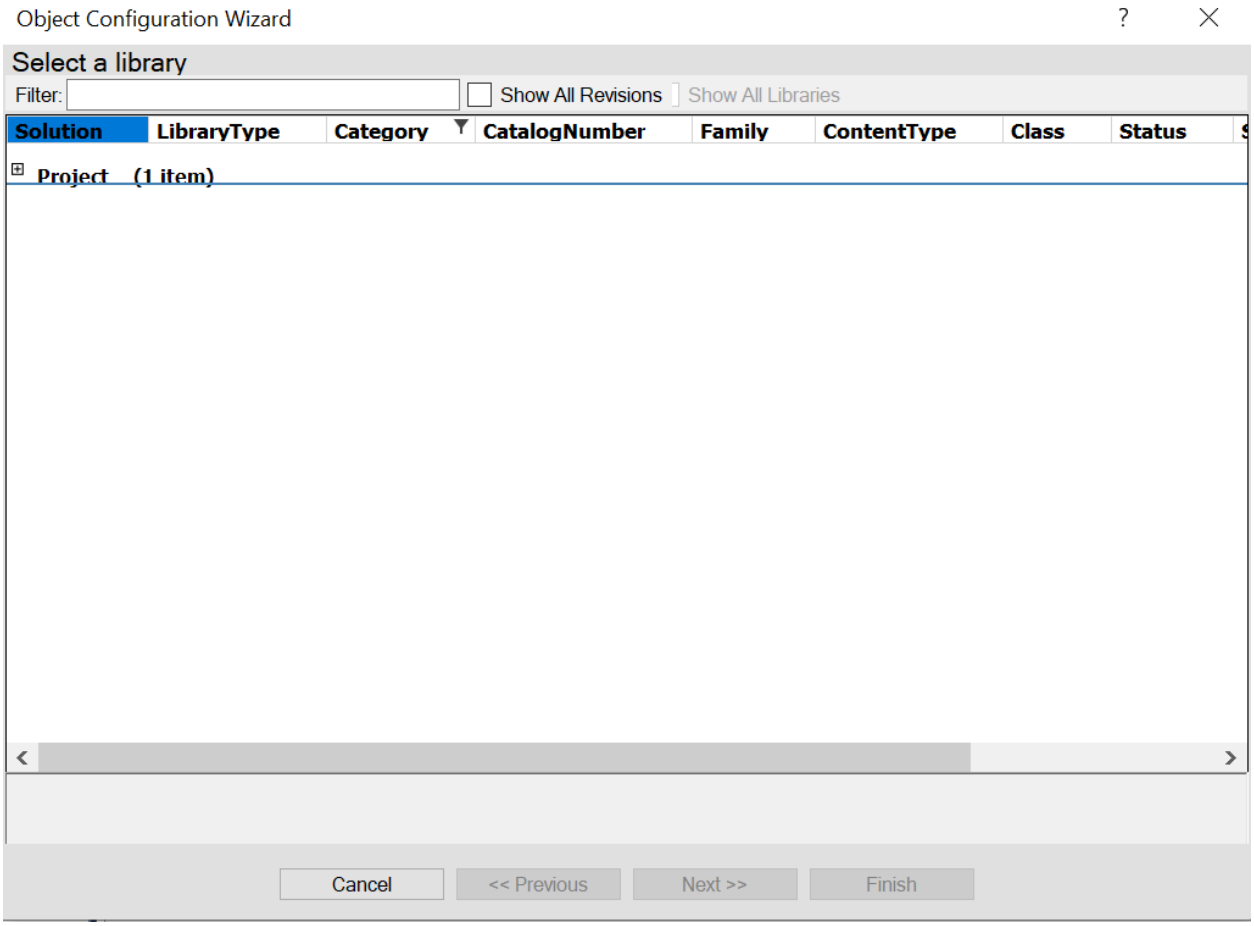

Unfold the Project

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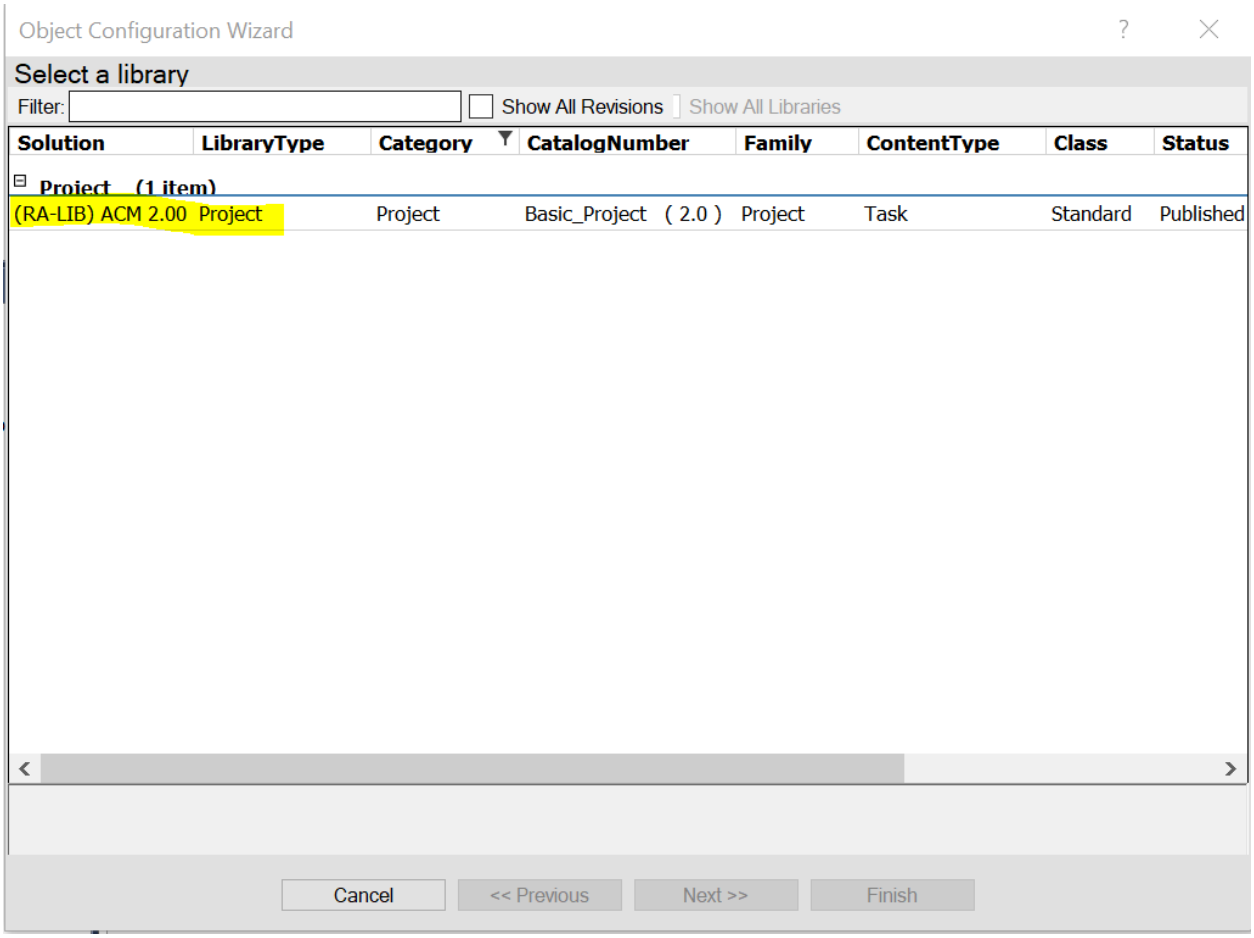

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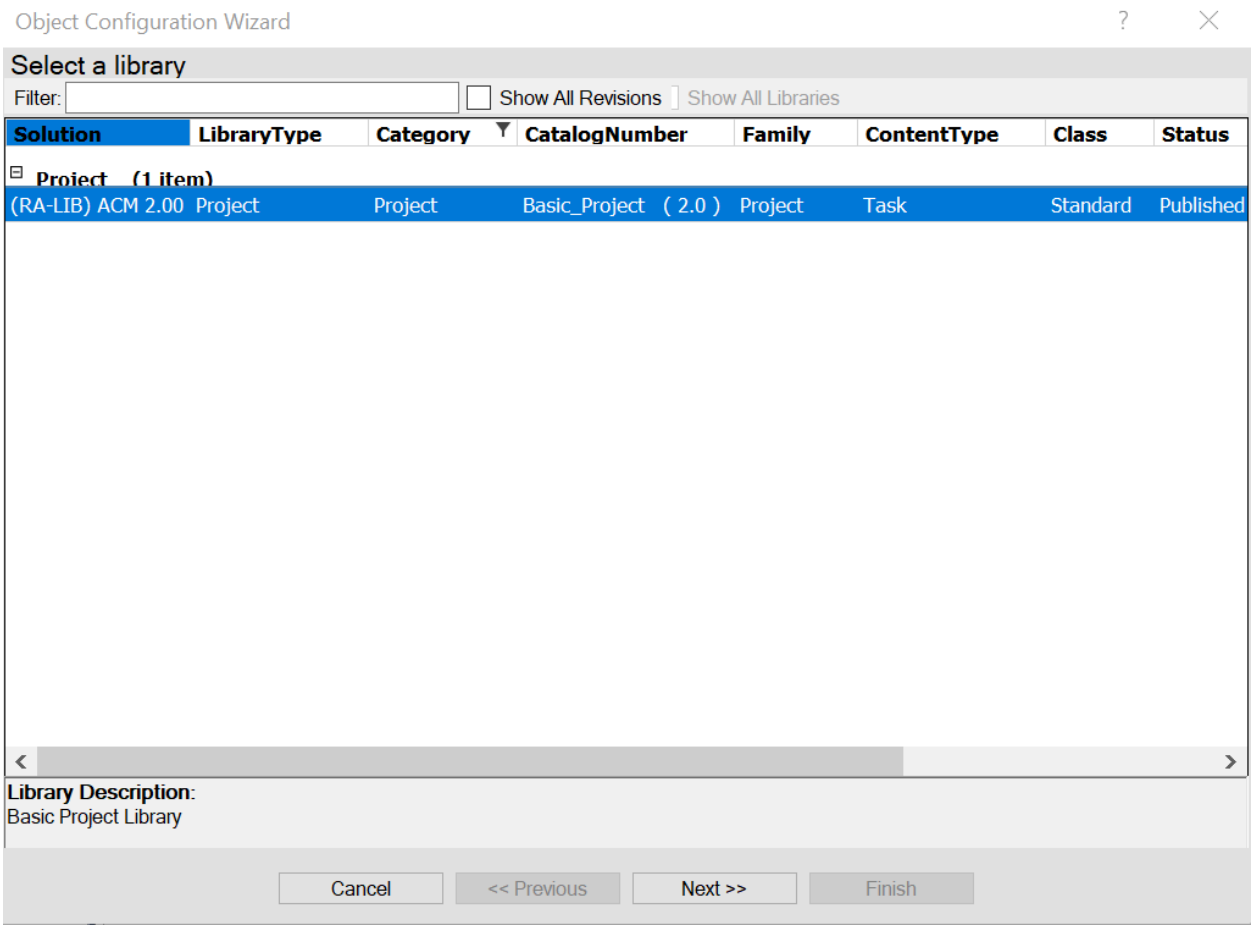
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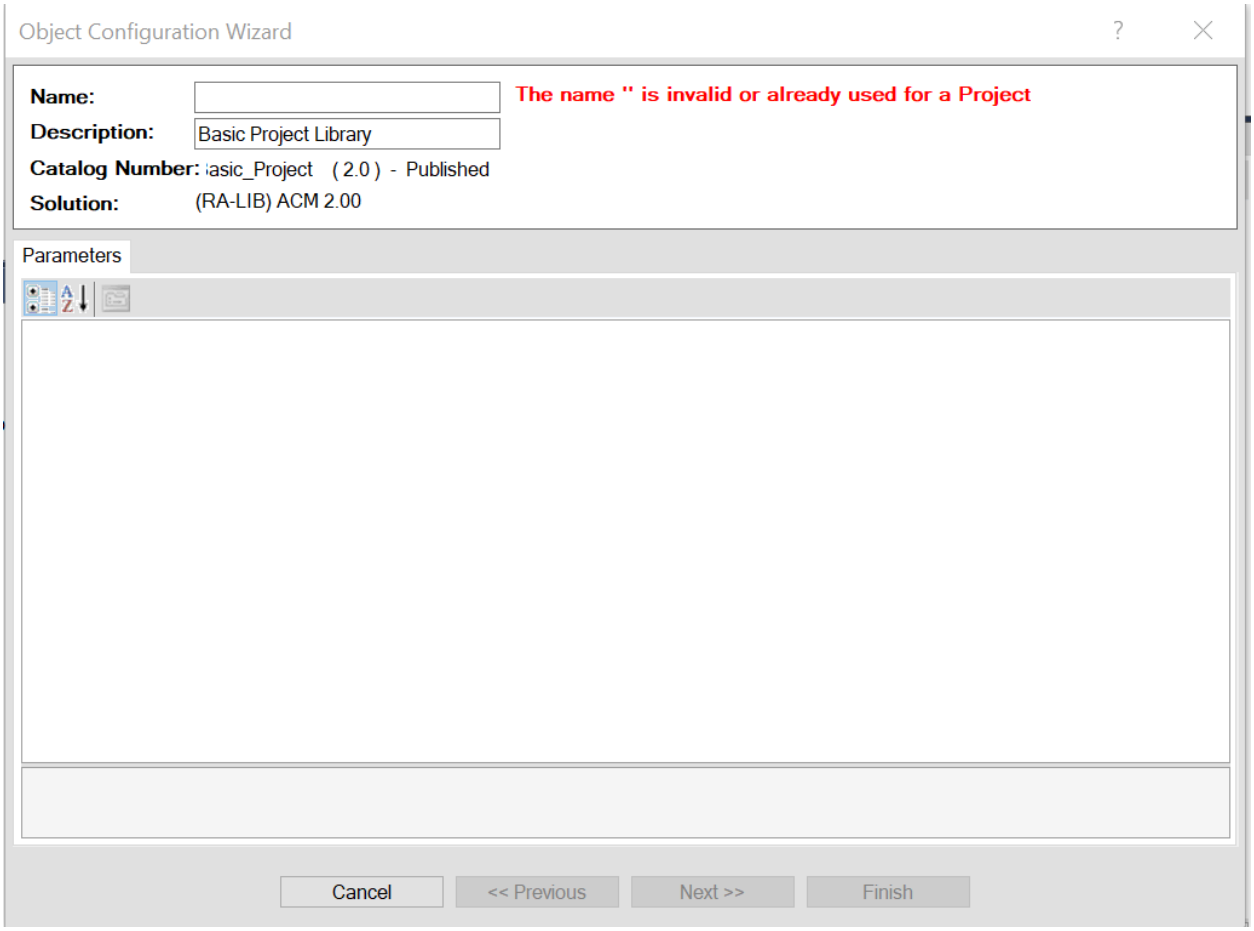

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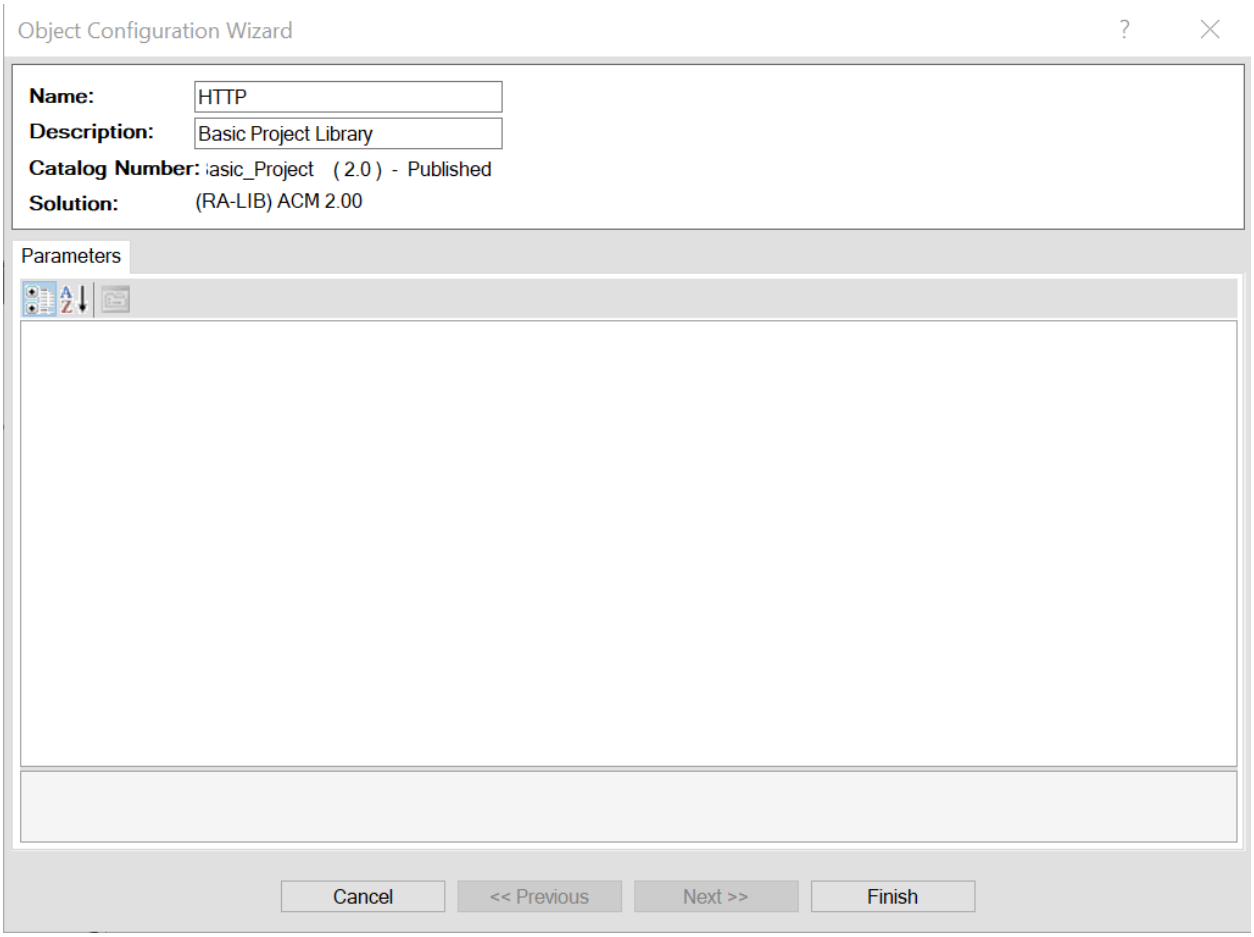

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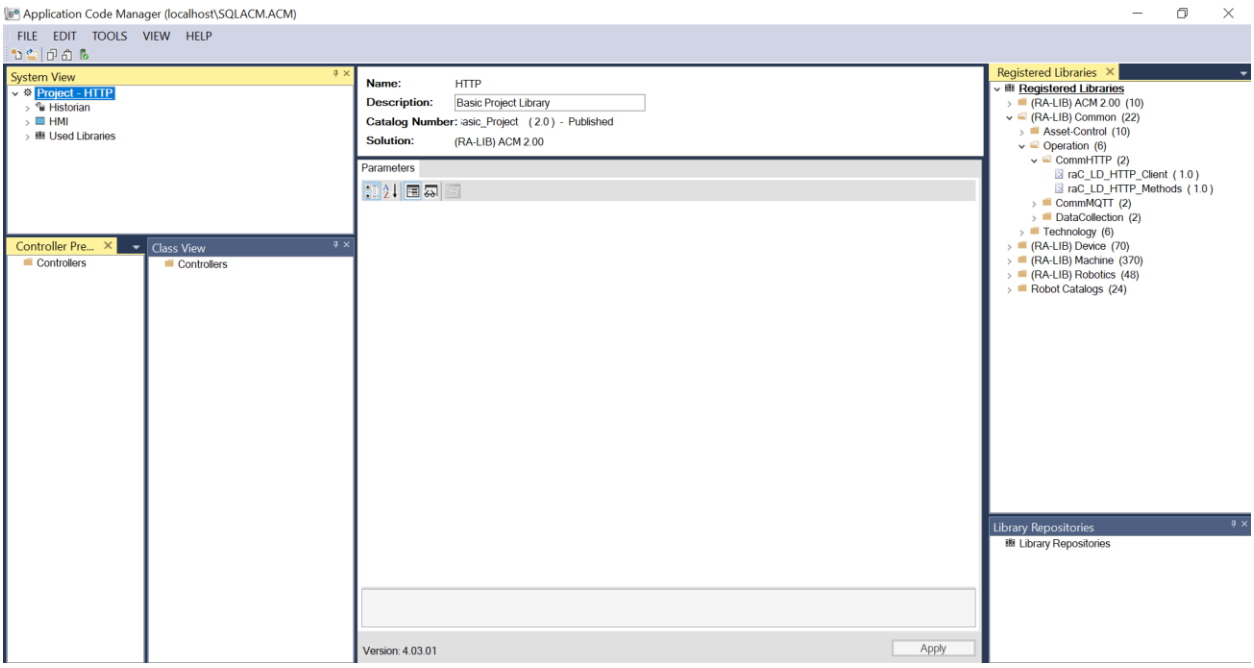

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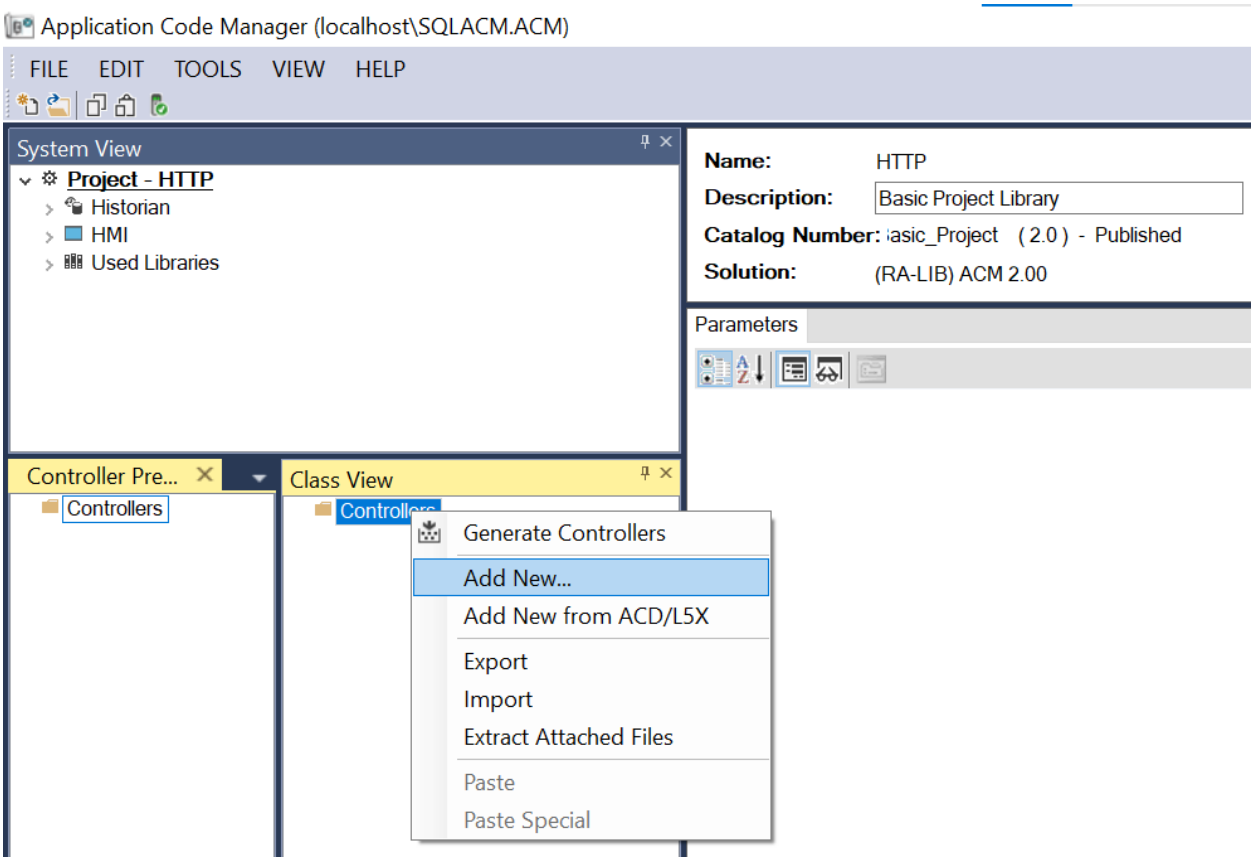
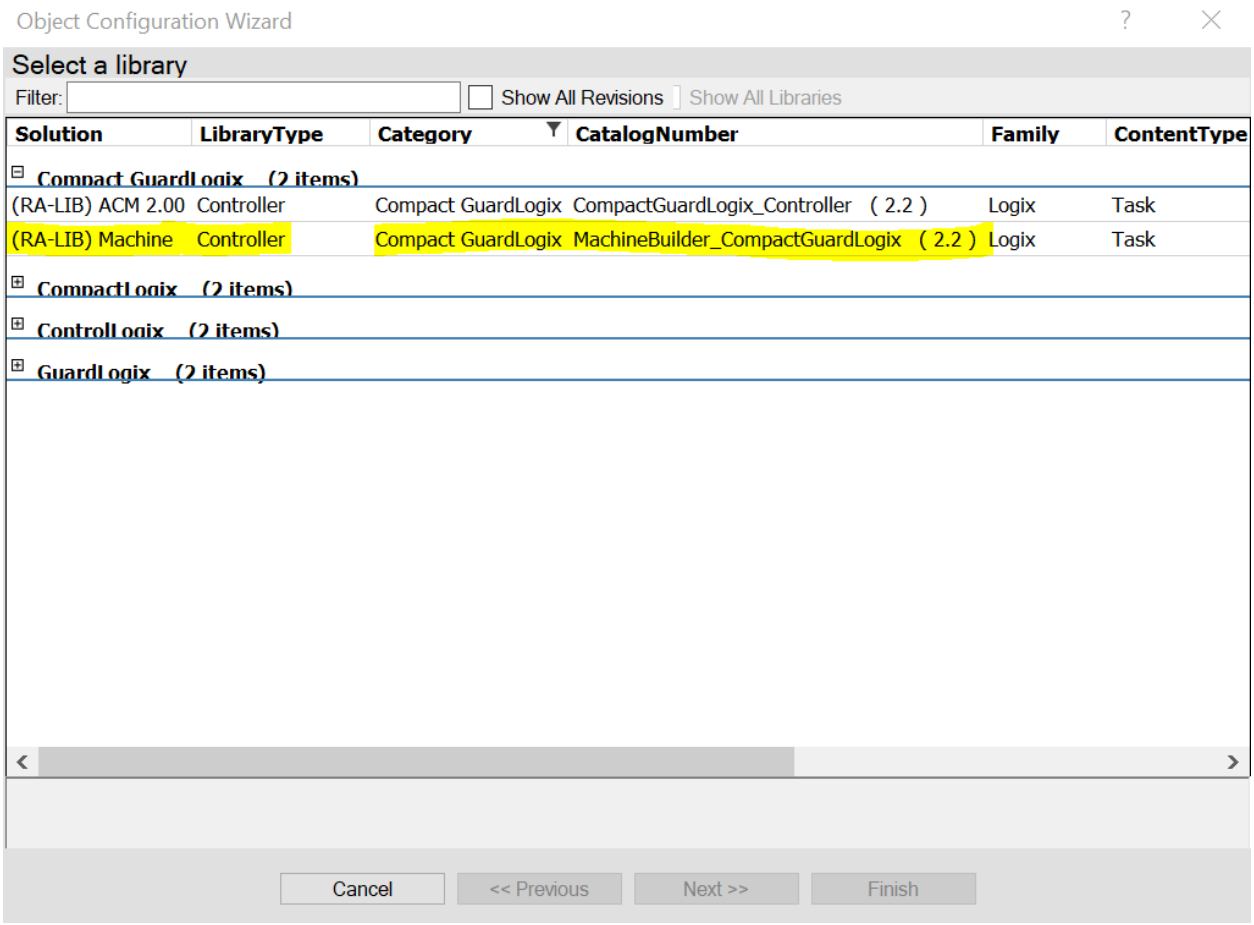
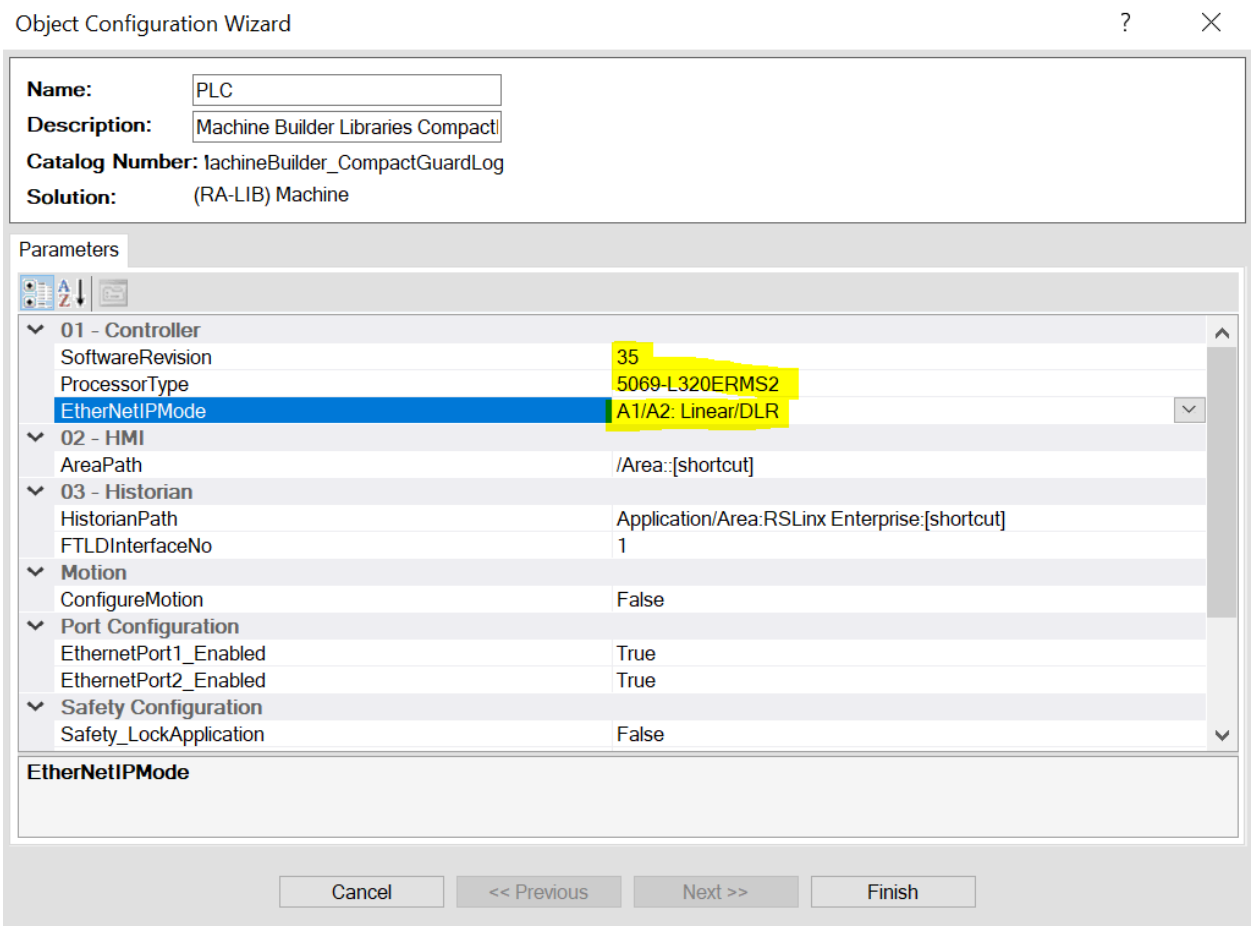


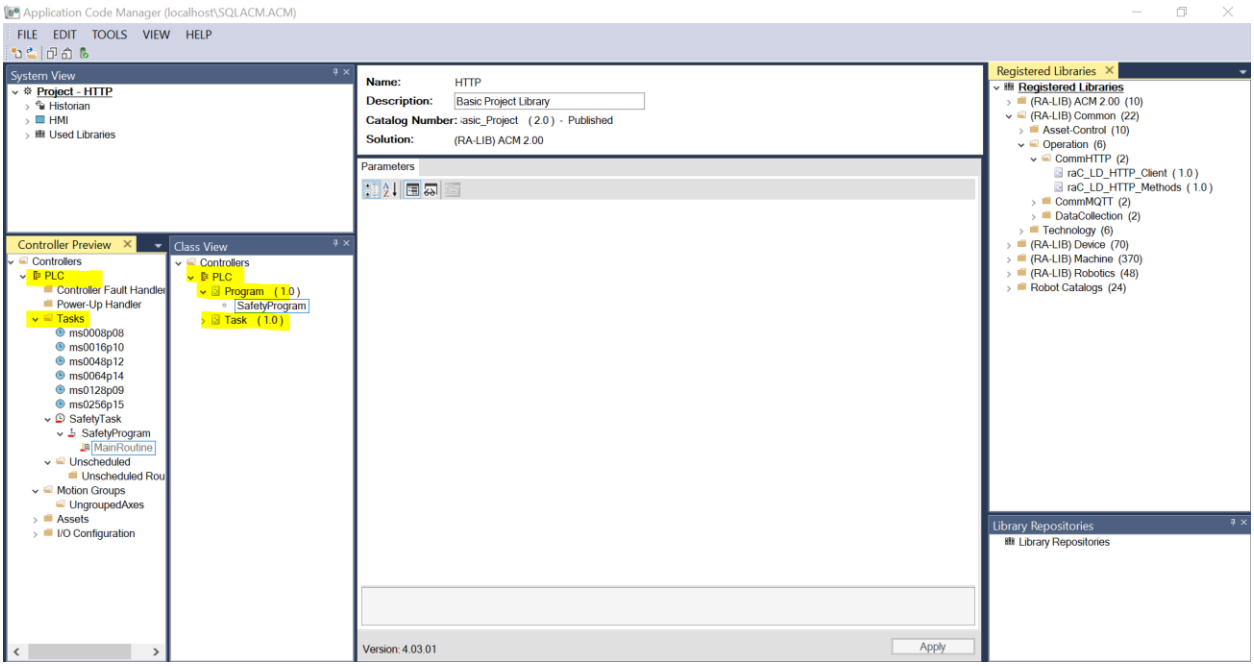
Choose your PLC with Machine option (this will create the tasks)



Give a name, software revision, controller type and Ethernet Port configuration. Click on finish

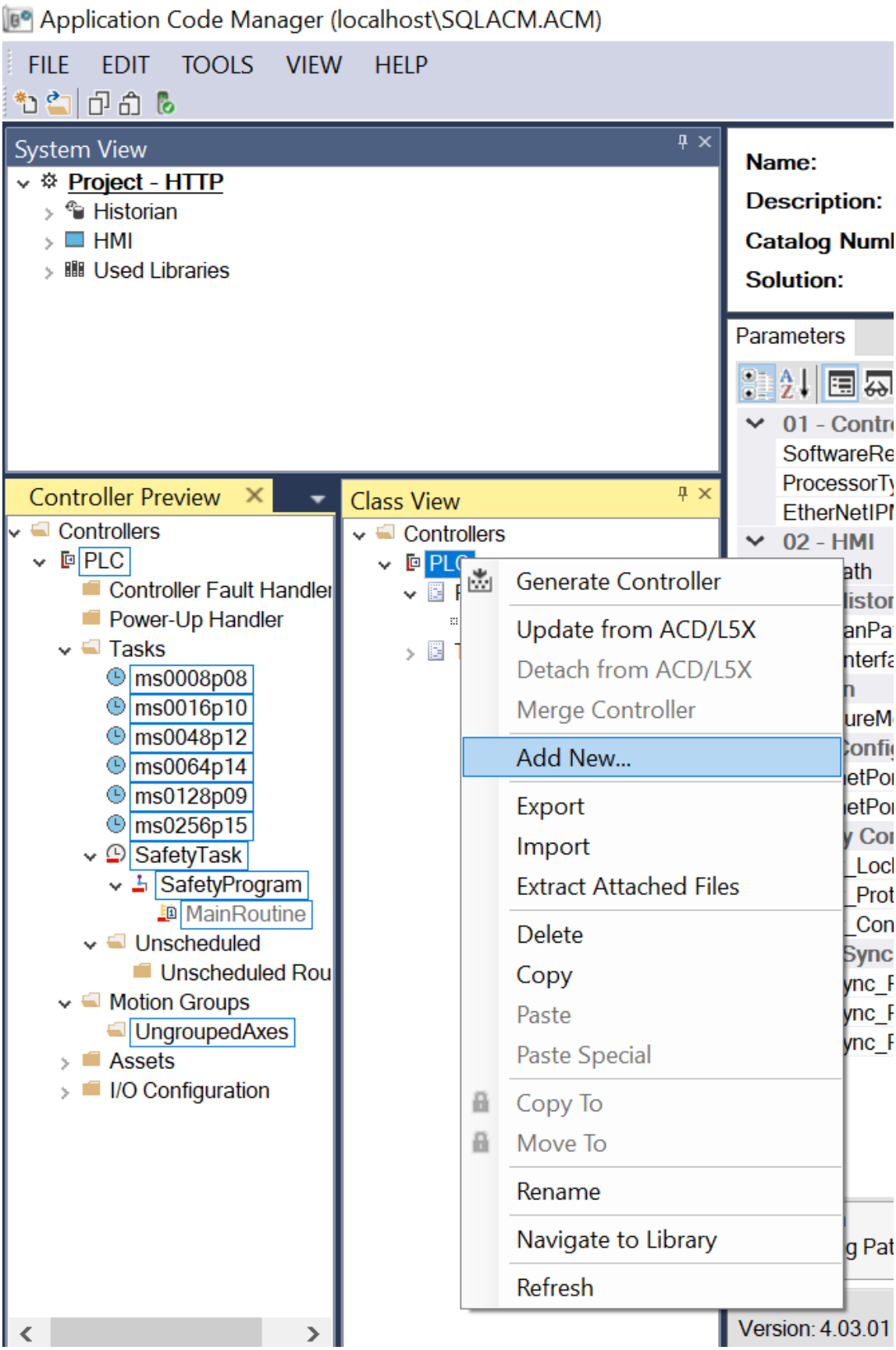


The new controller is created, with it's tasks



Now let’s add the library

Select the controller and right mouse click and select Add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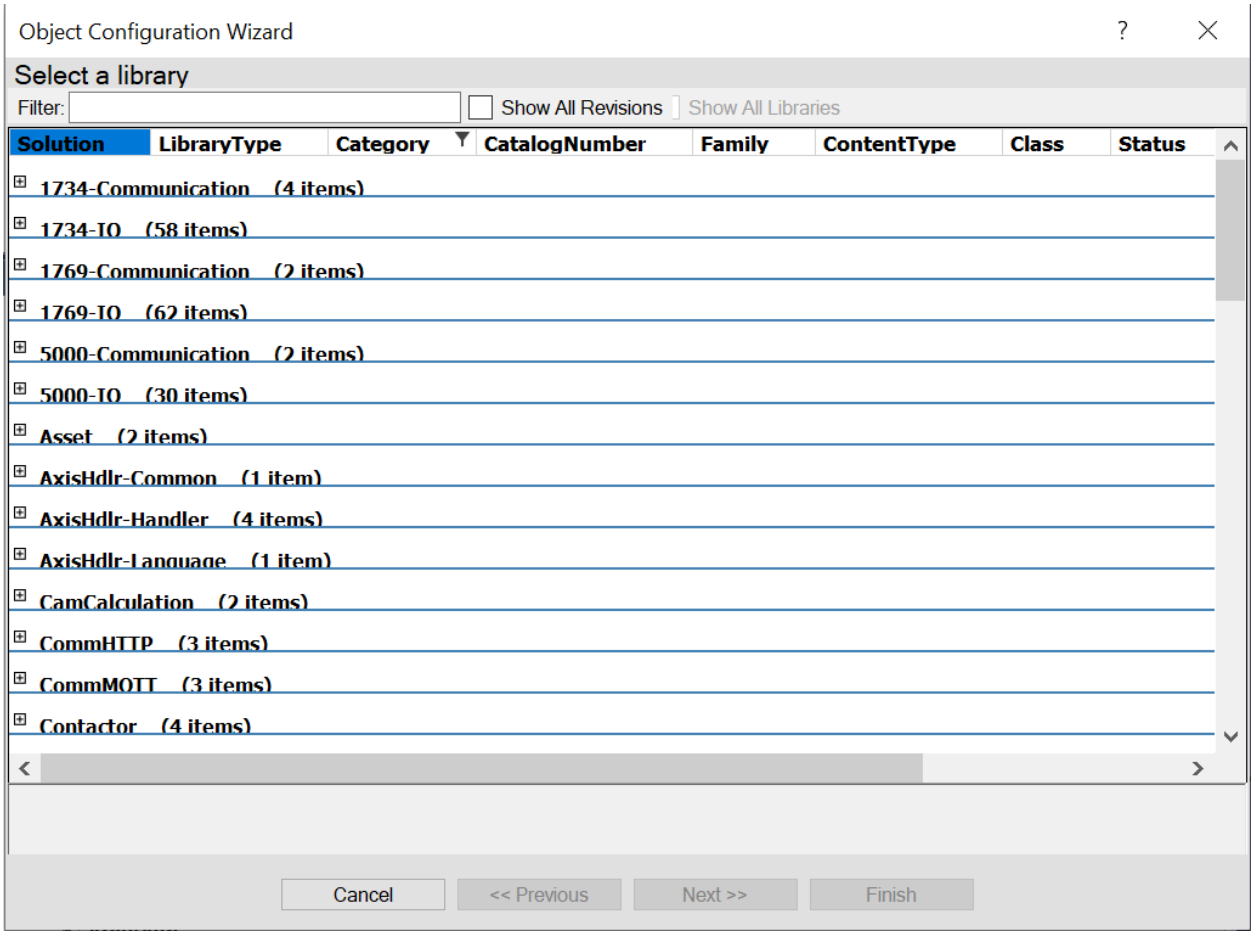
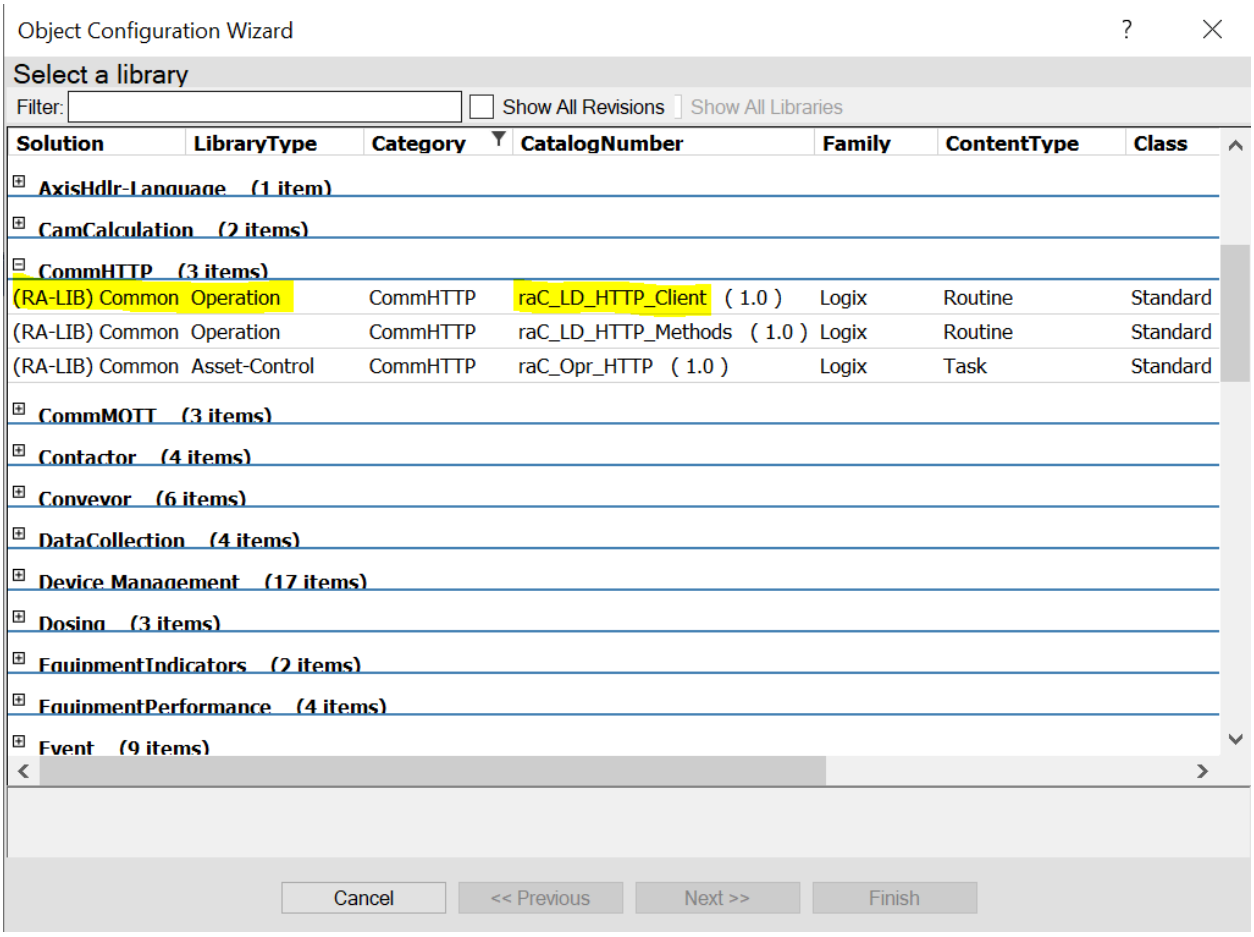
And select a library



Select the client library



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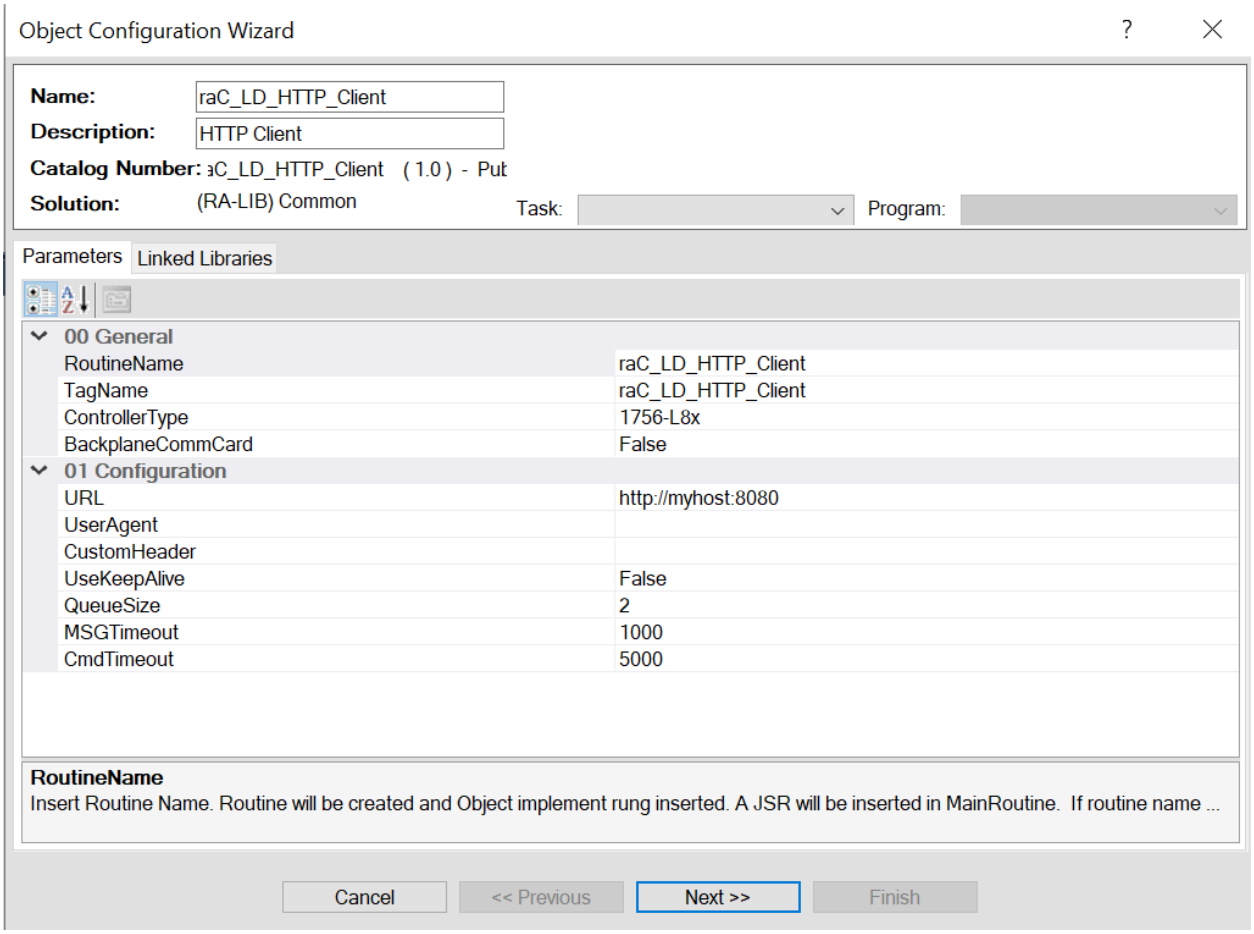
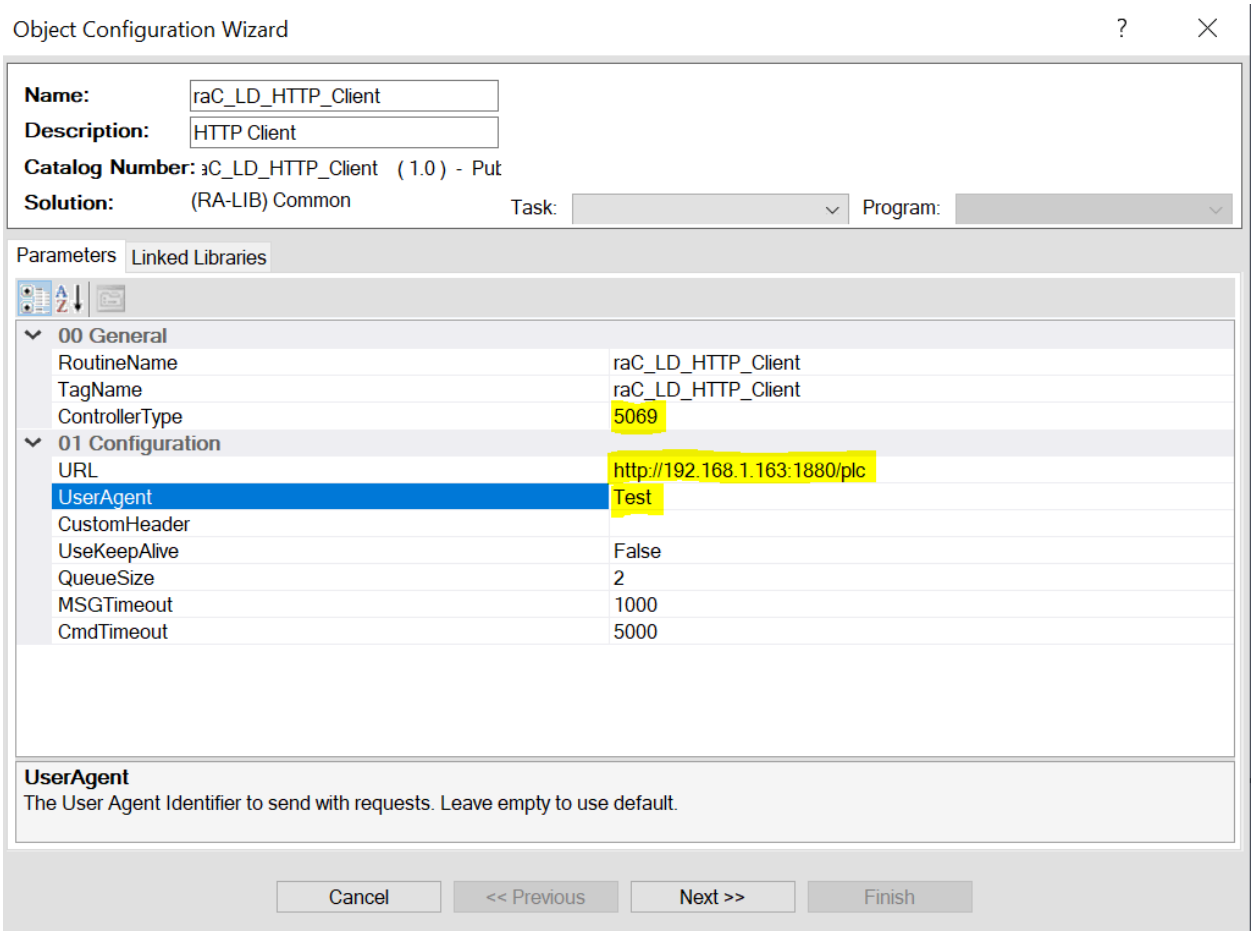
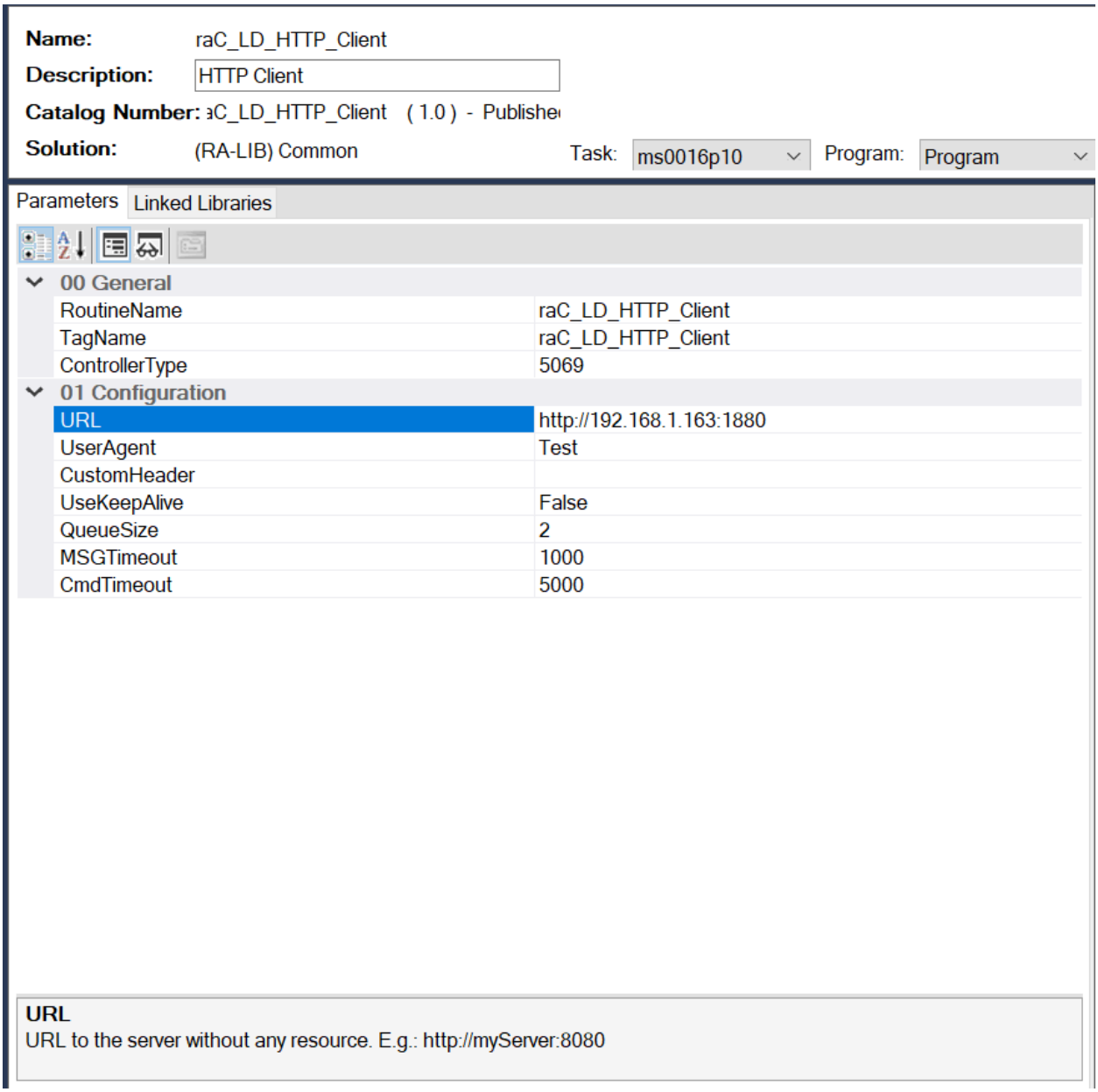


Enter the parameters like controller type, url (where the API Rest server lies, we will use node-red), etc



Attention, the URL is without any resource. Correct this



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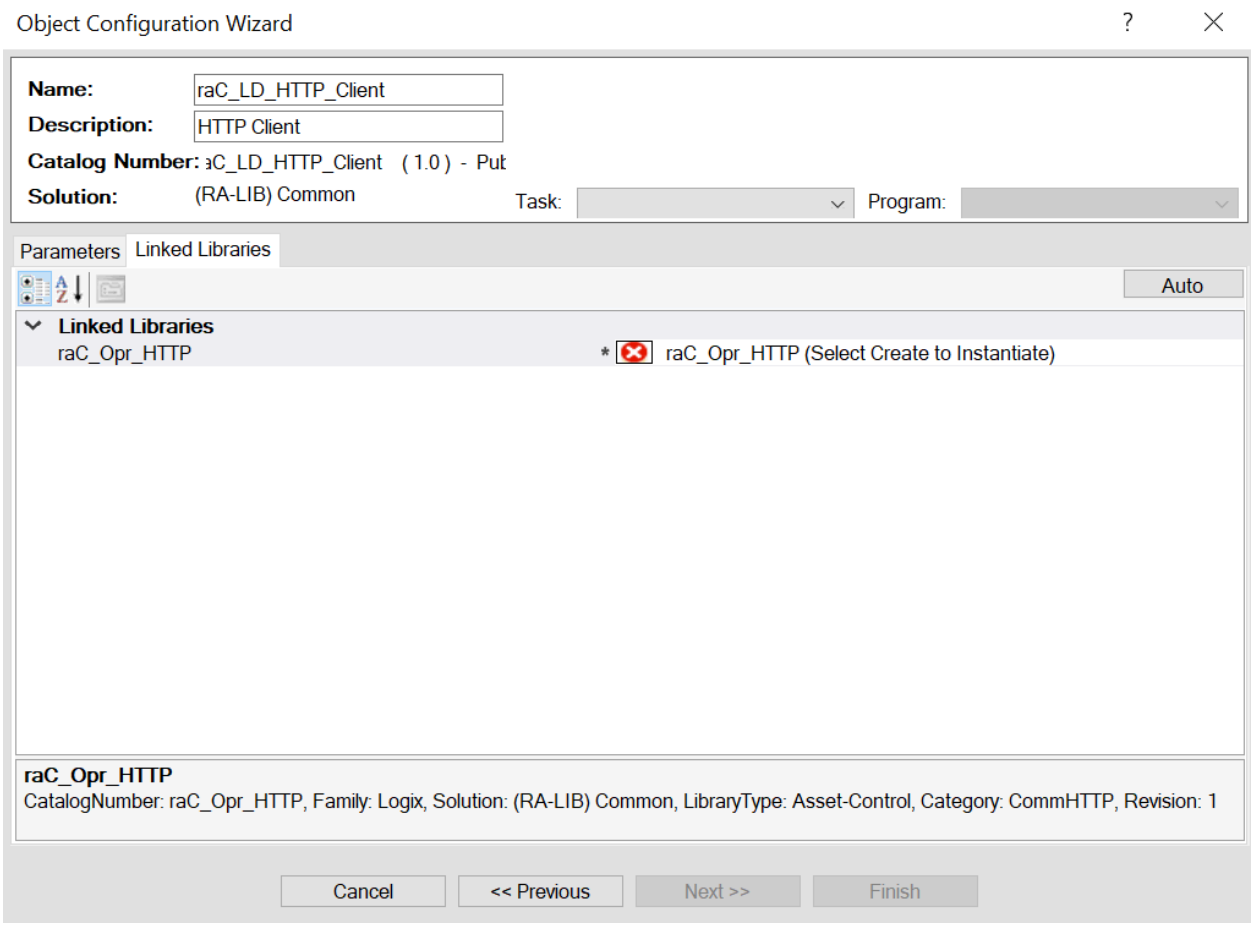

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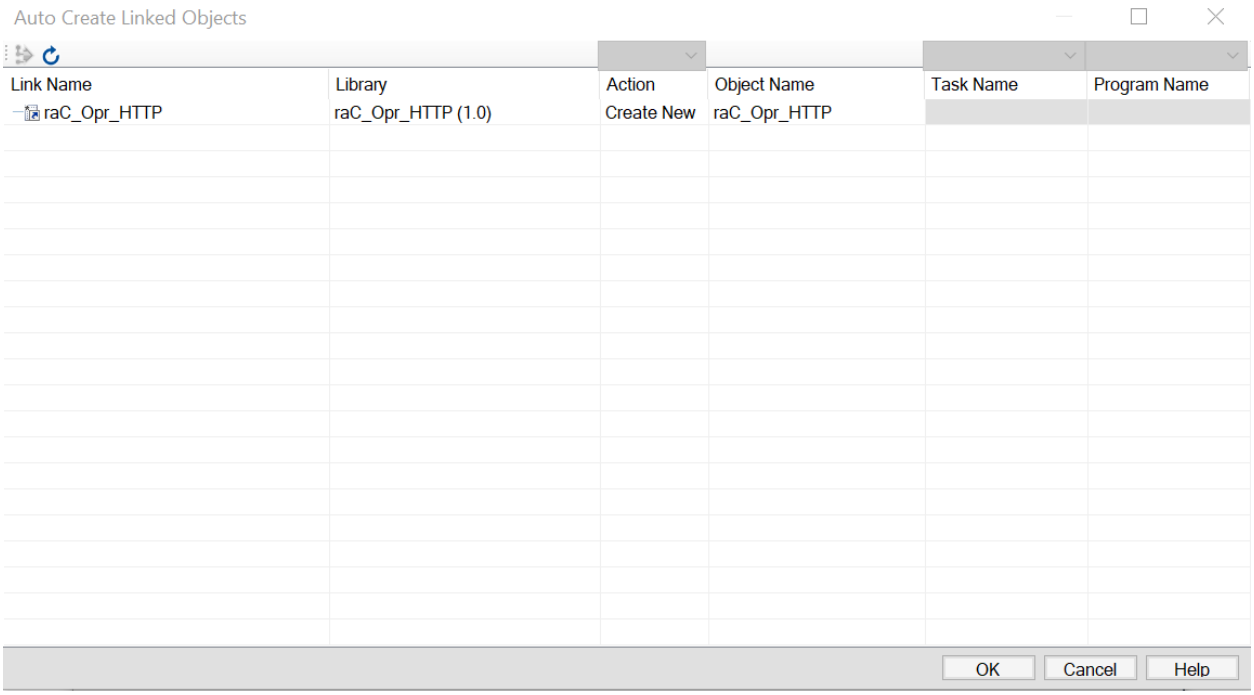
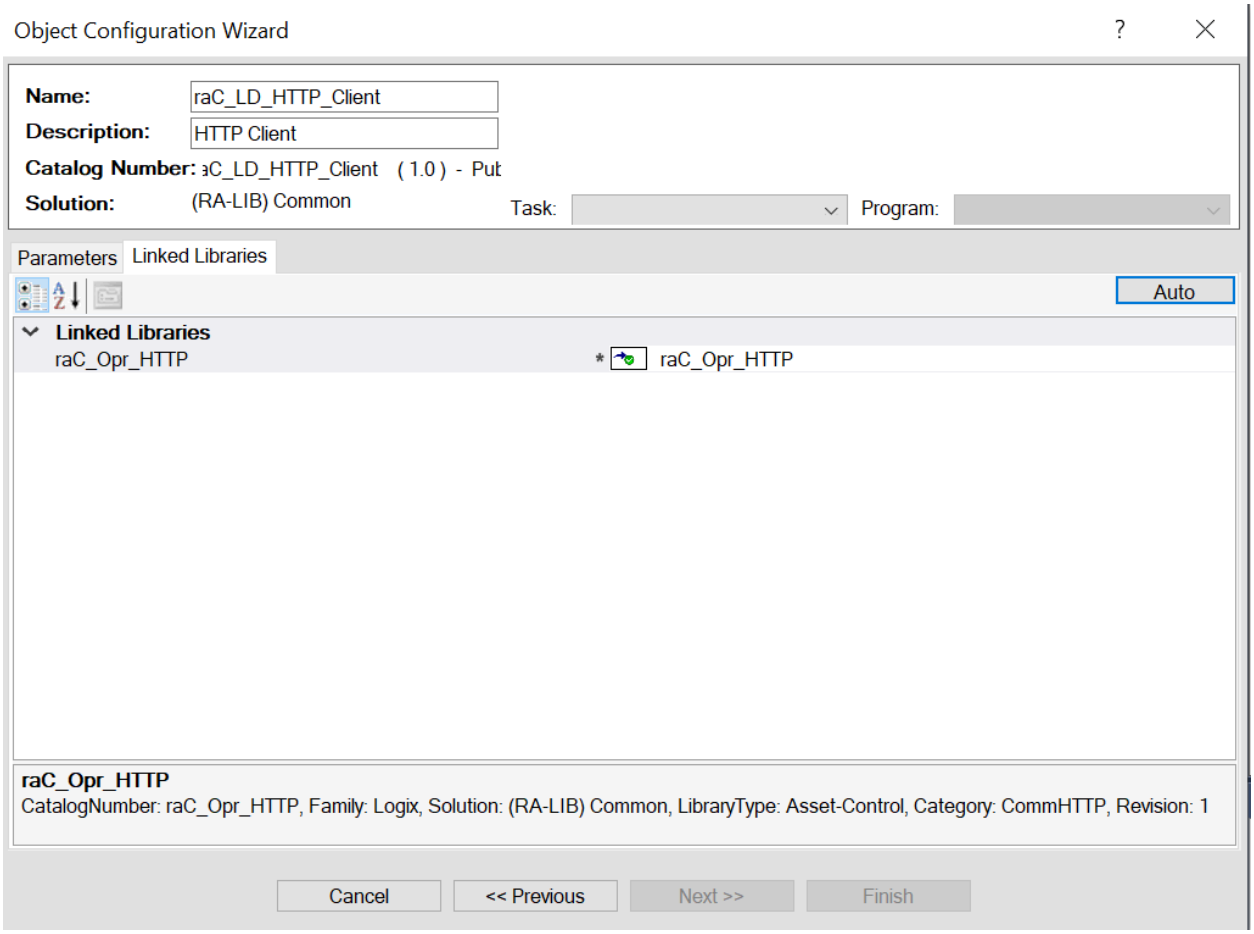


Click OK to create the instantiation



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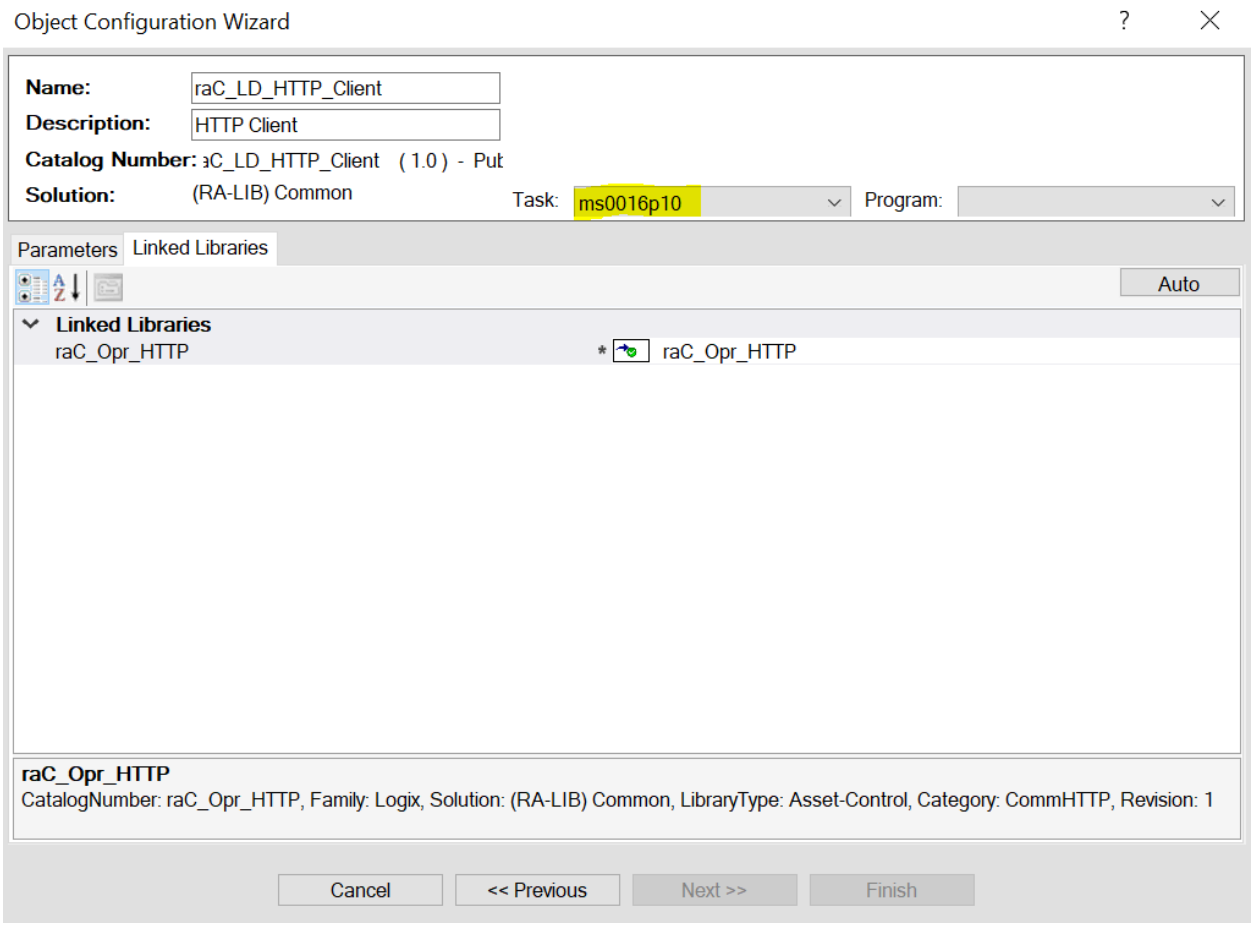

And create a program

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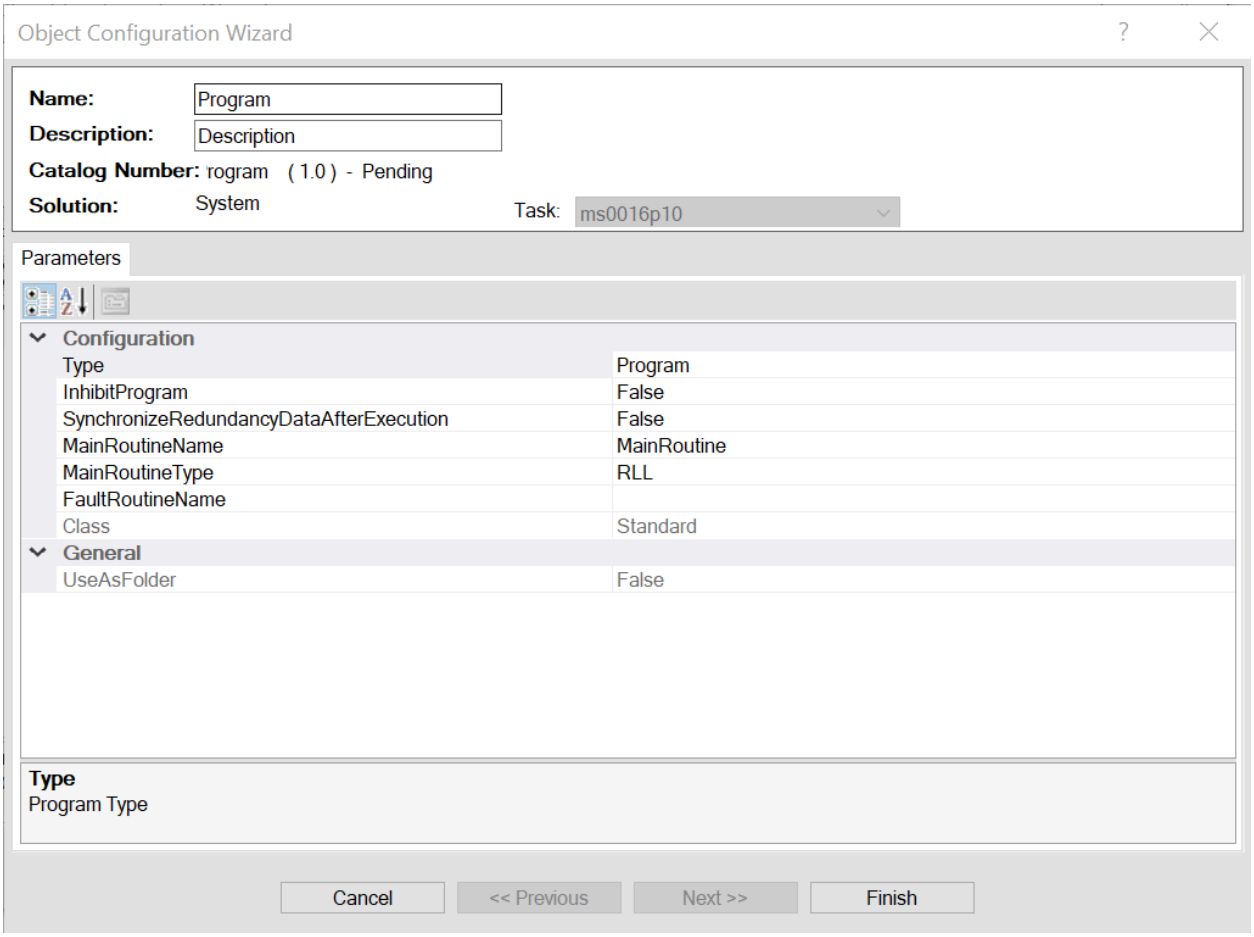

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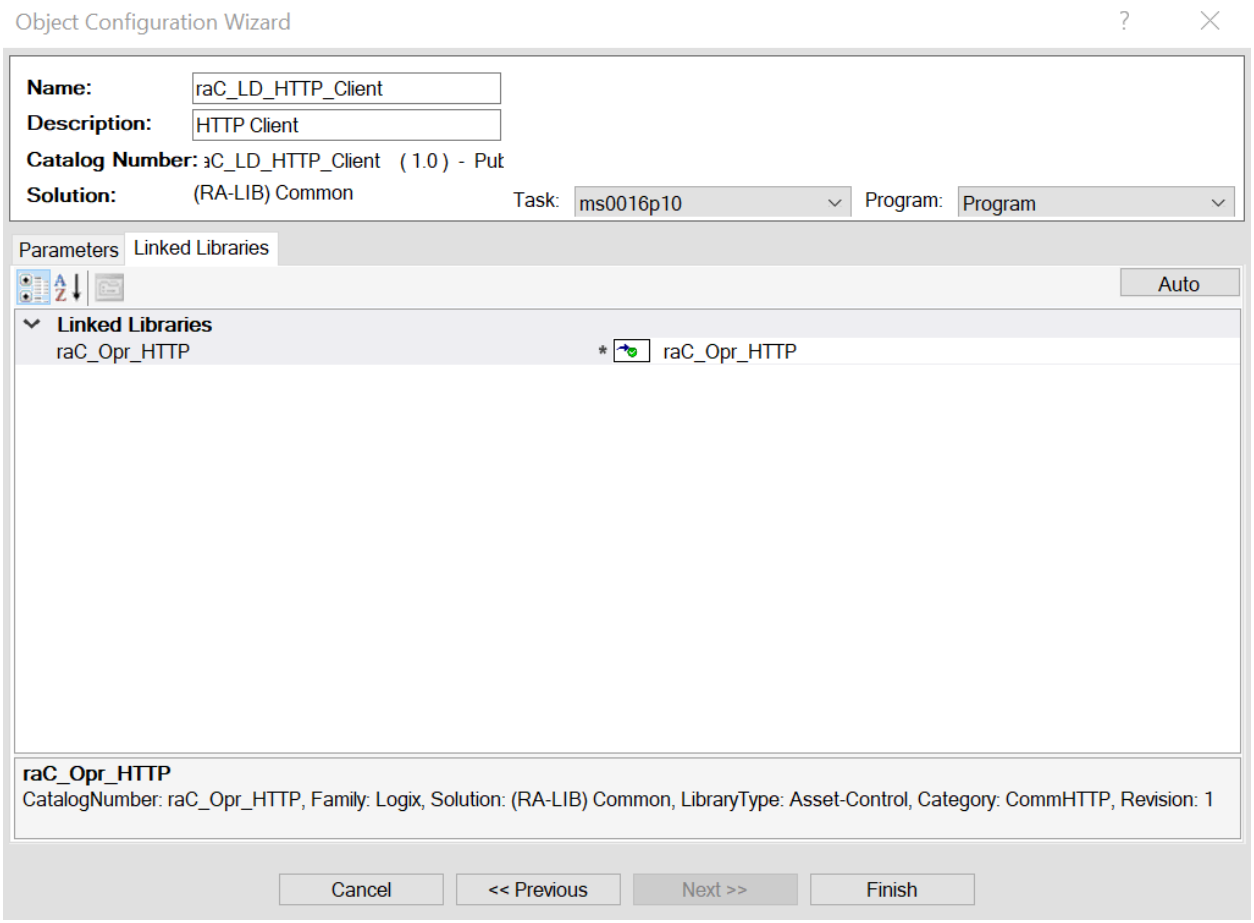
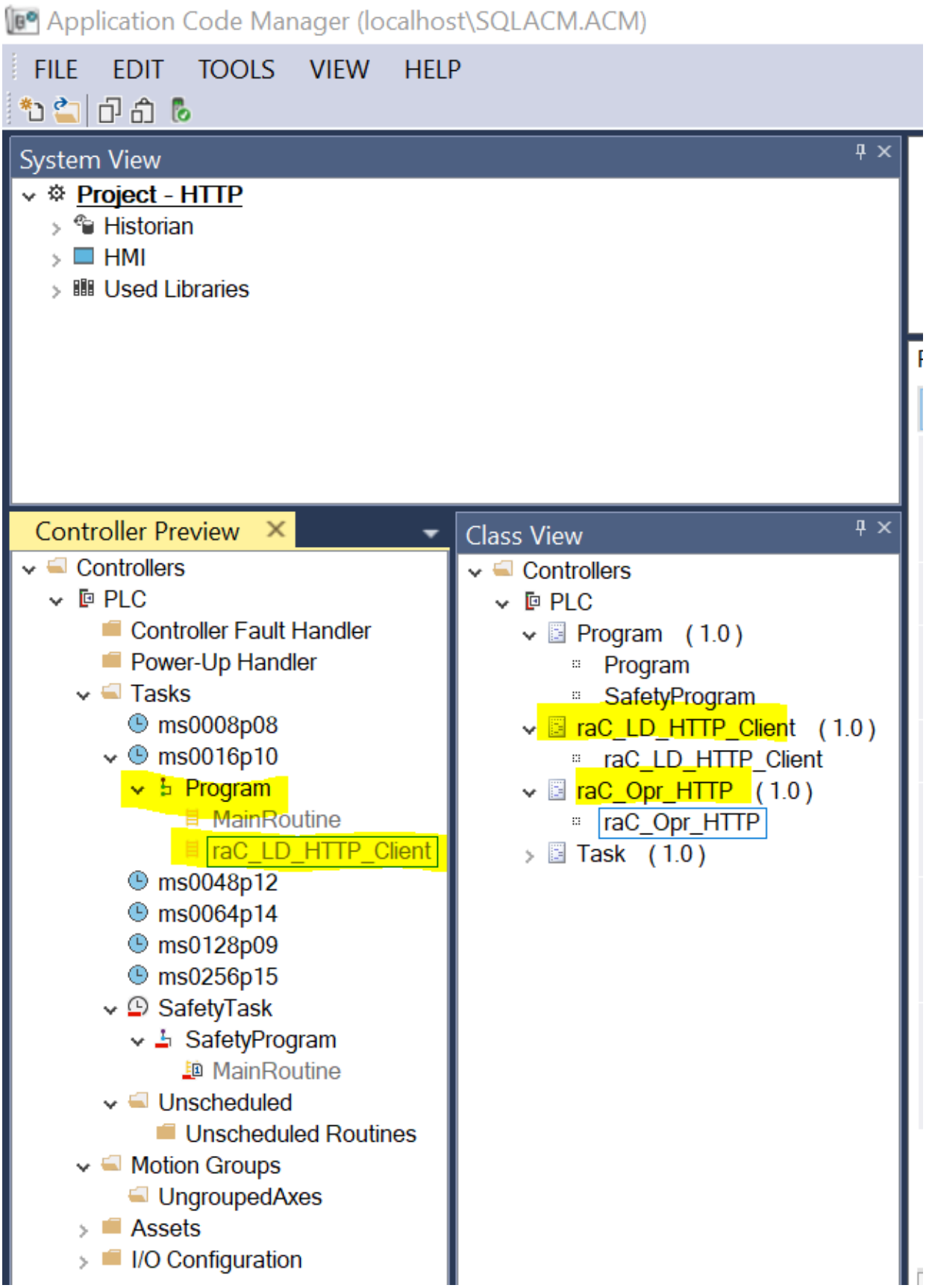


Look at the created program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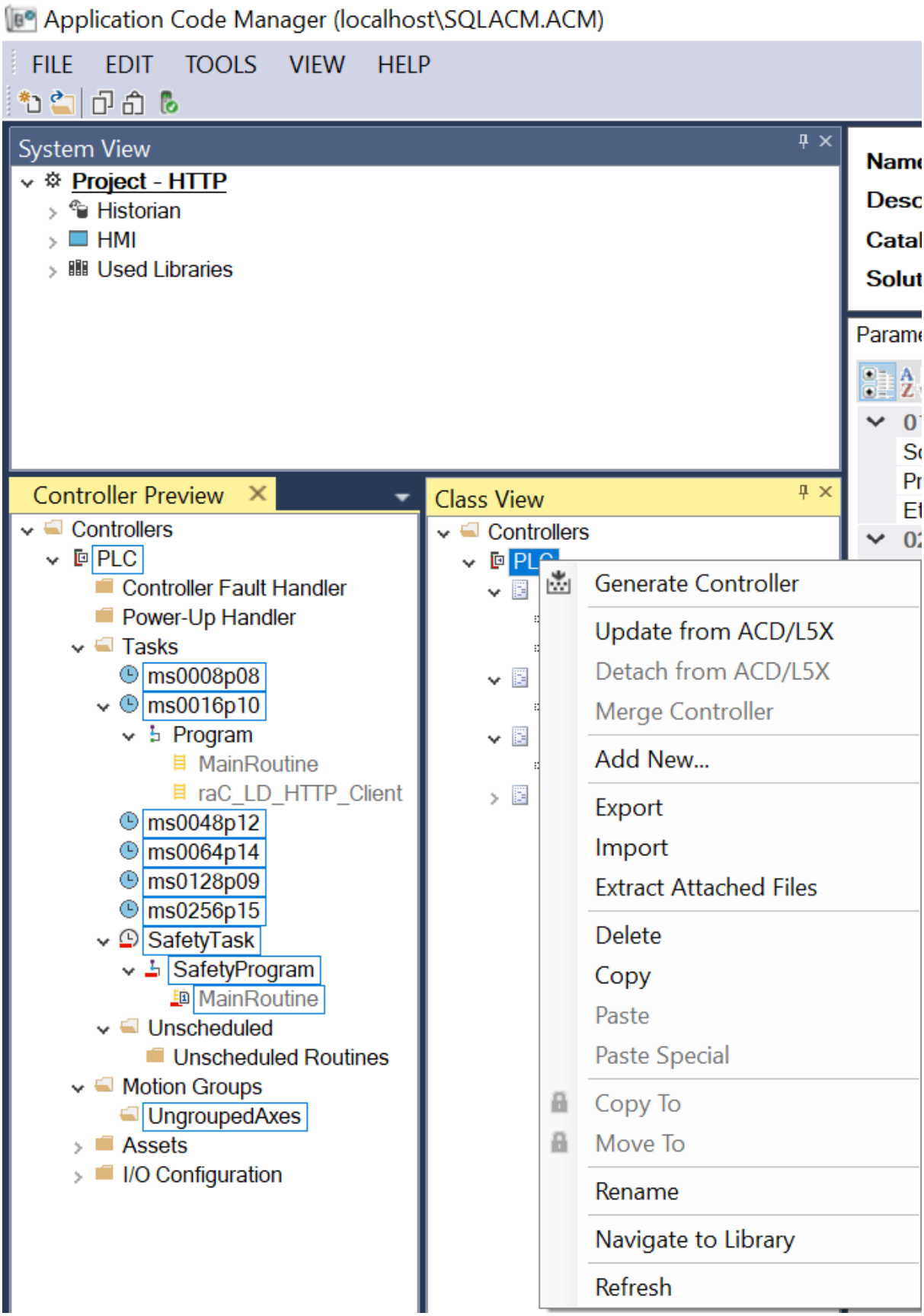
Now let’s add the Http Methods on same program

Add New …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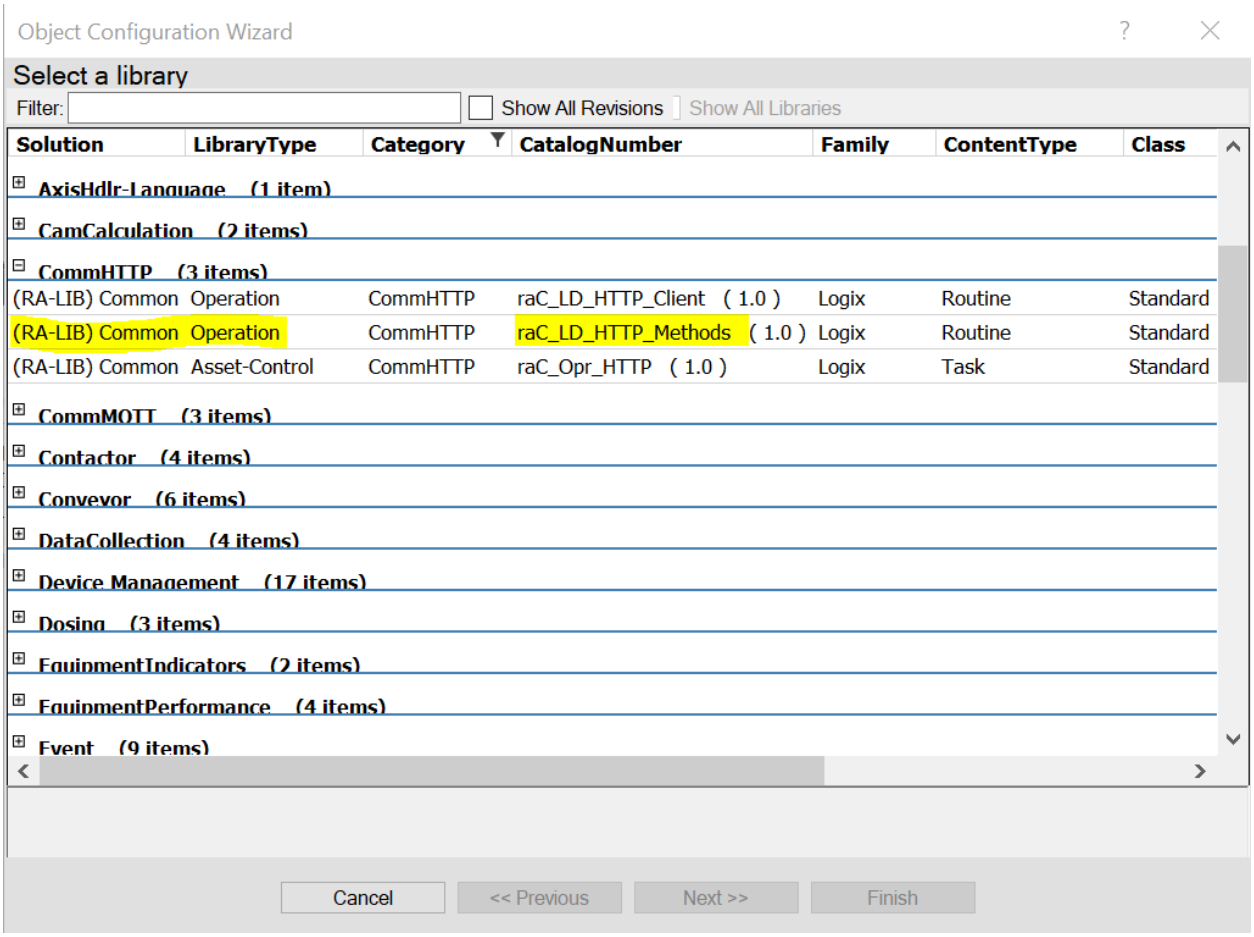
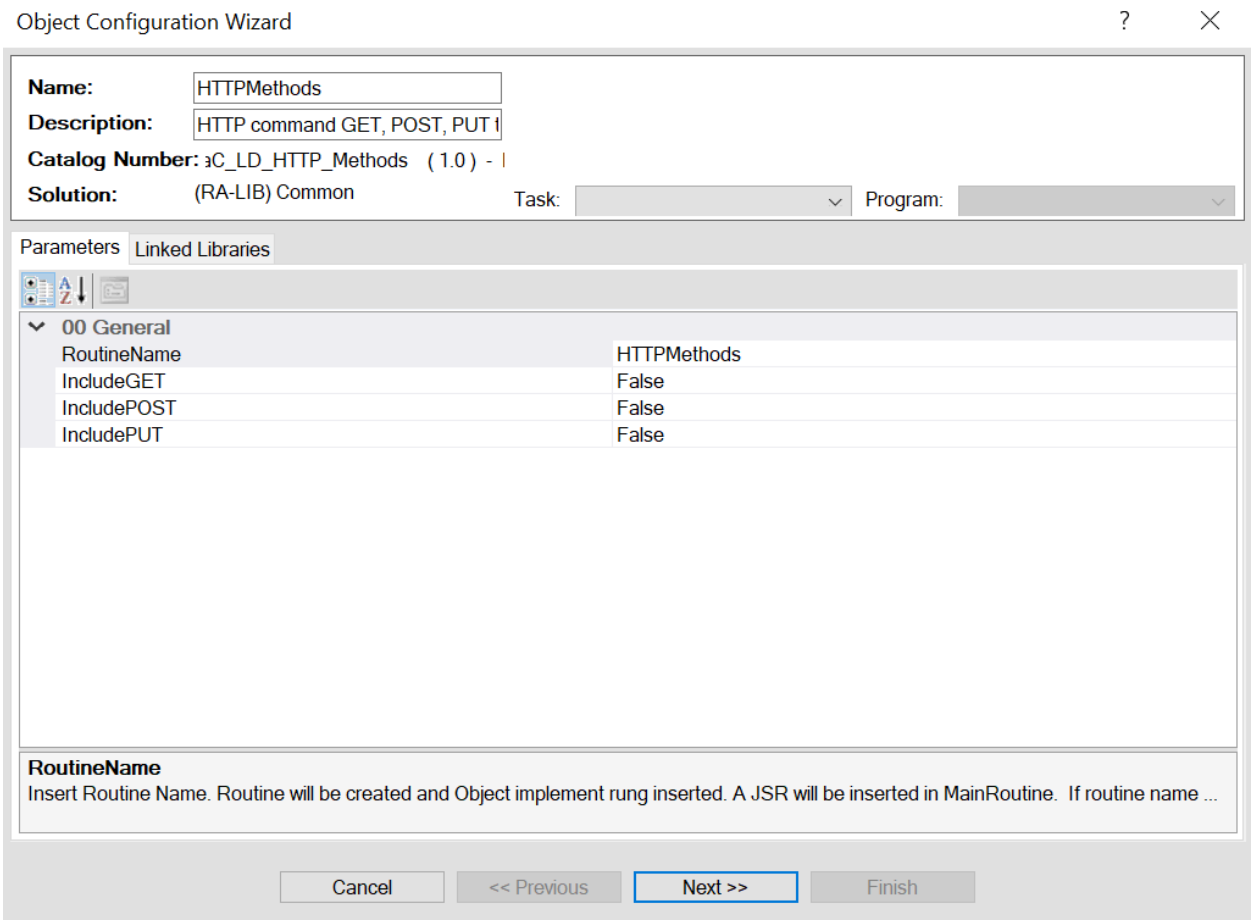
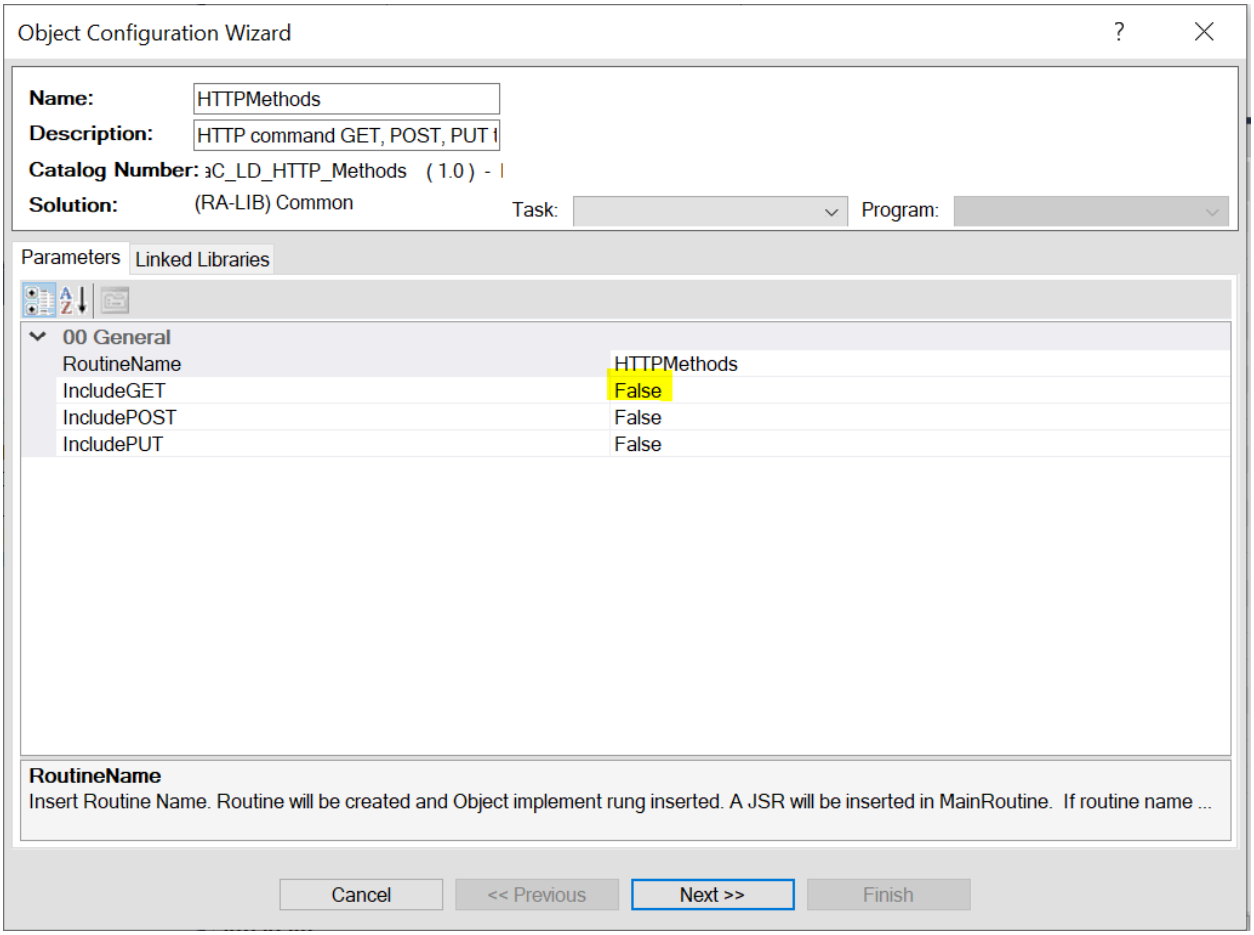


Select the same task and program



We will include the GET method

So select True



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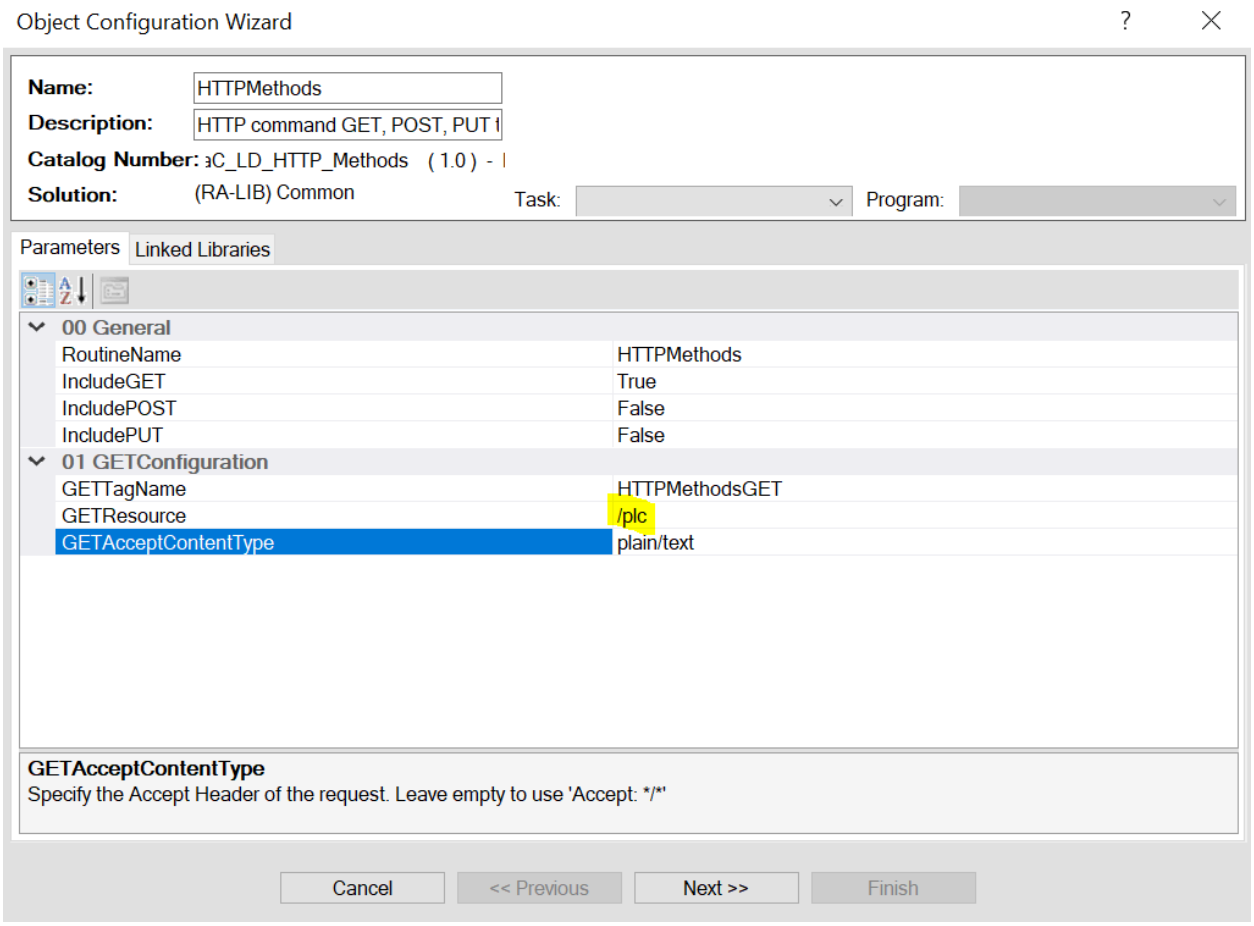

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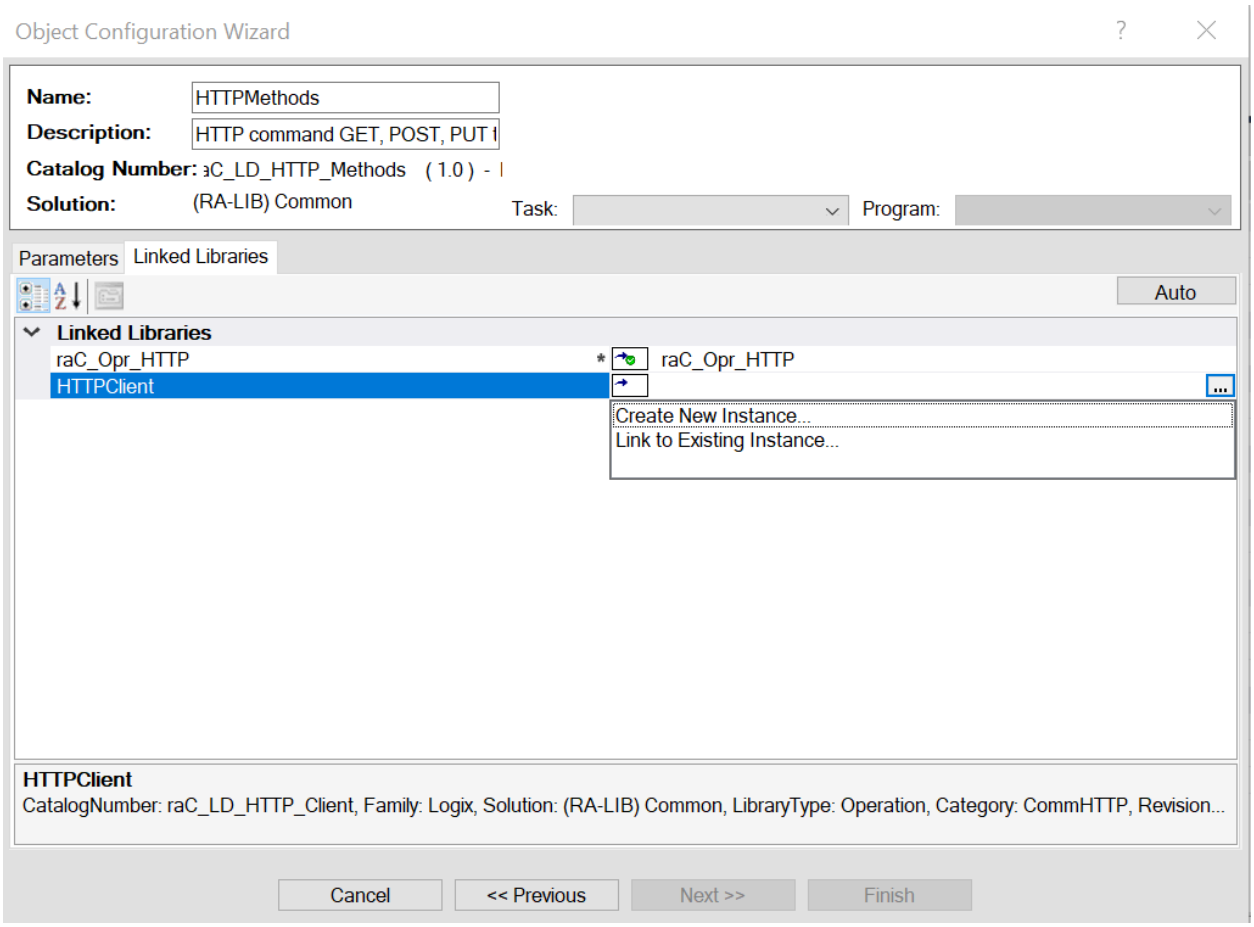
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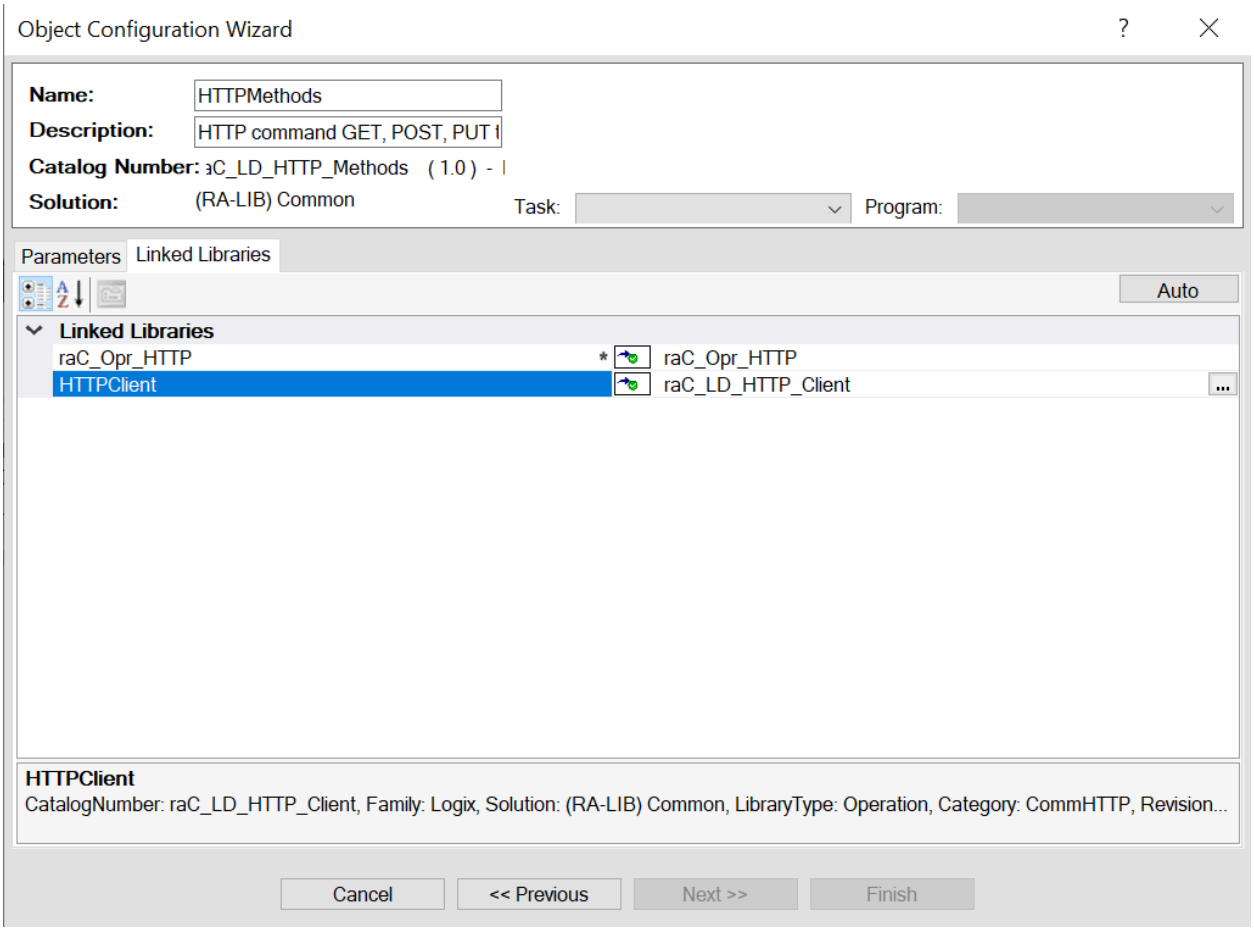
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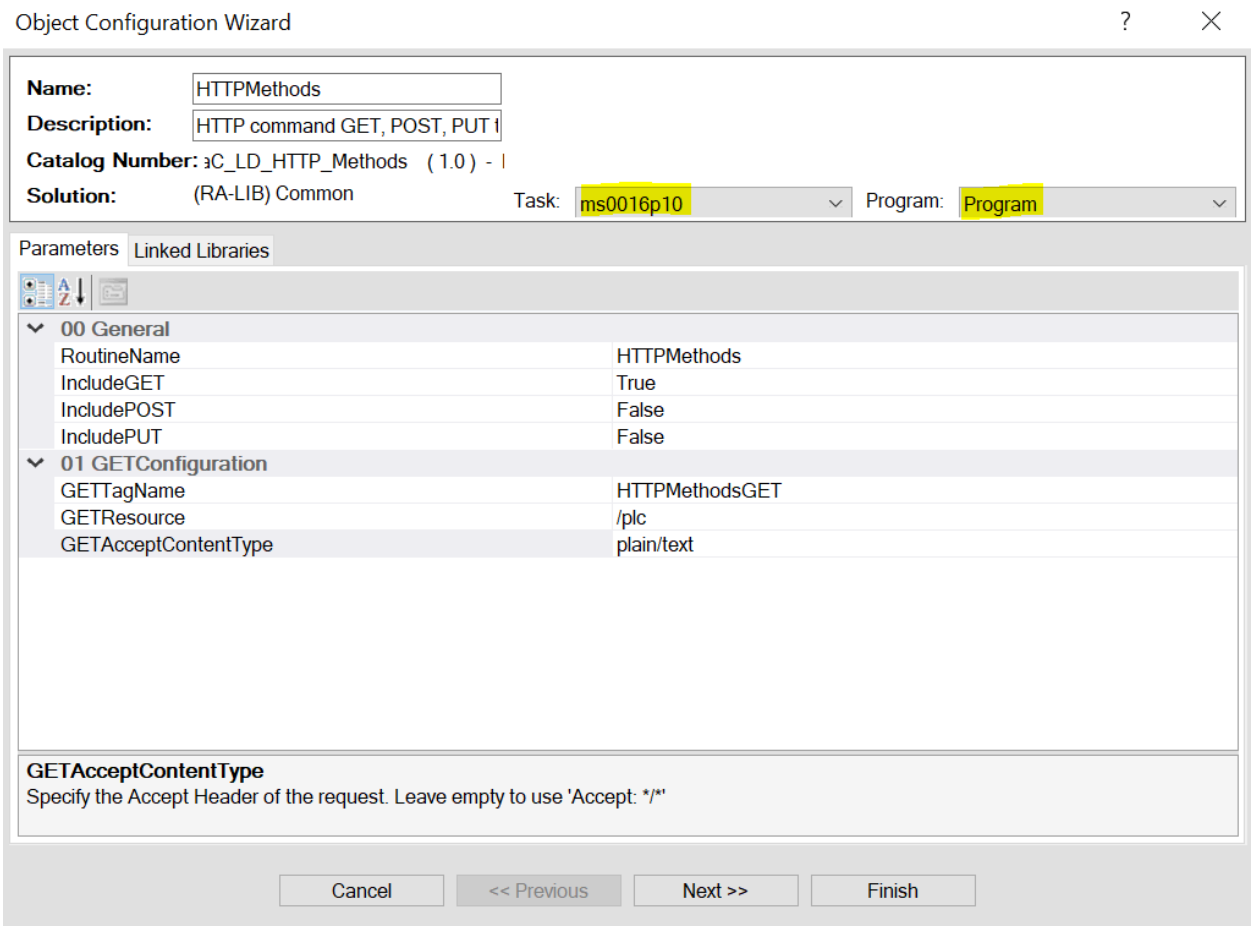

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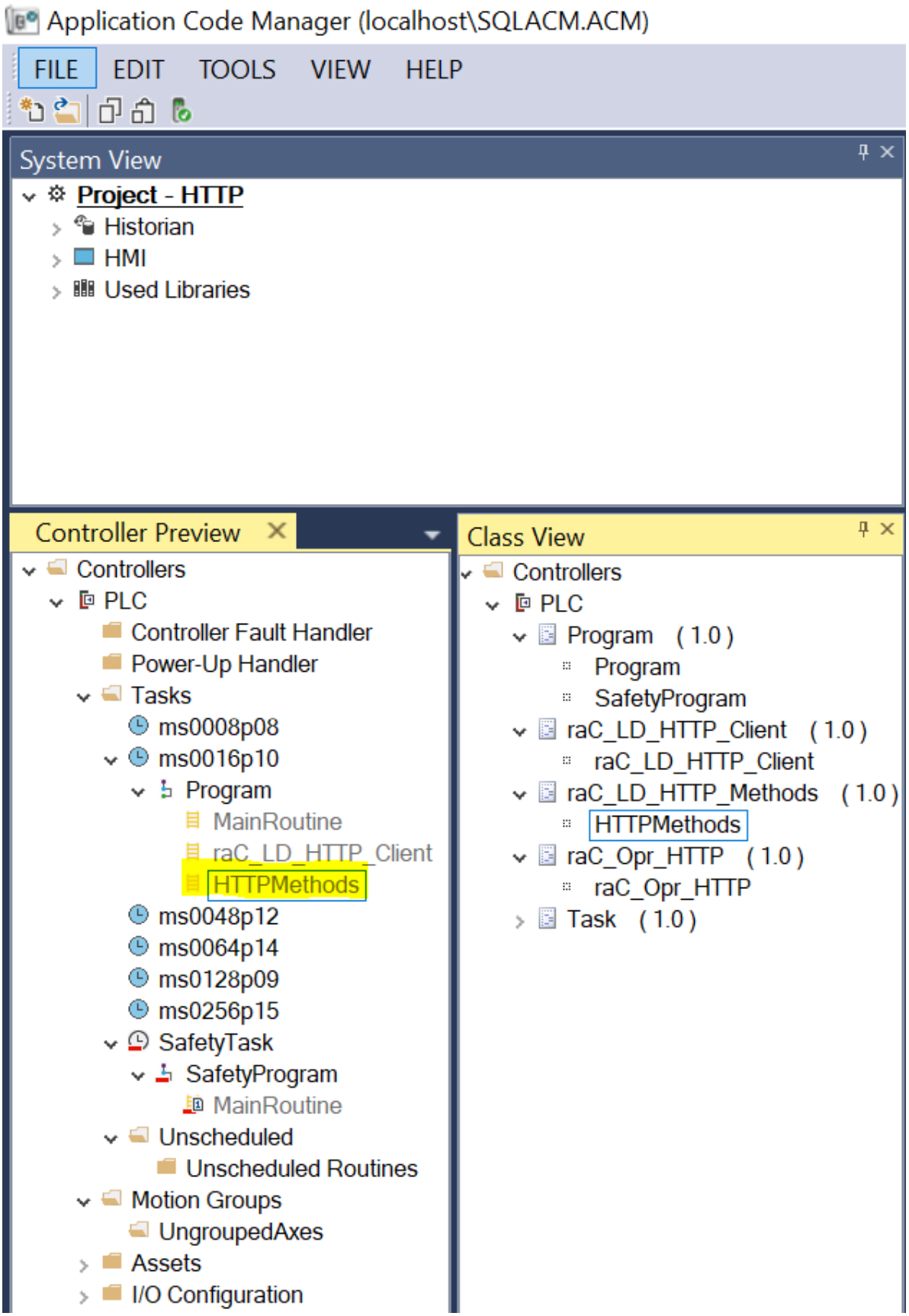
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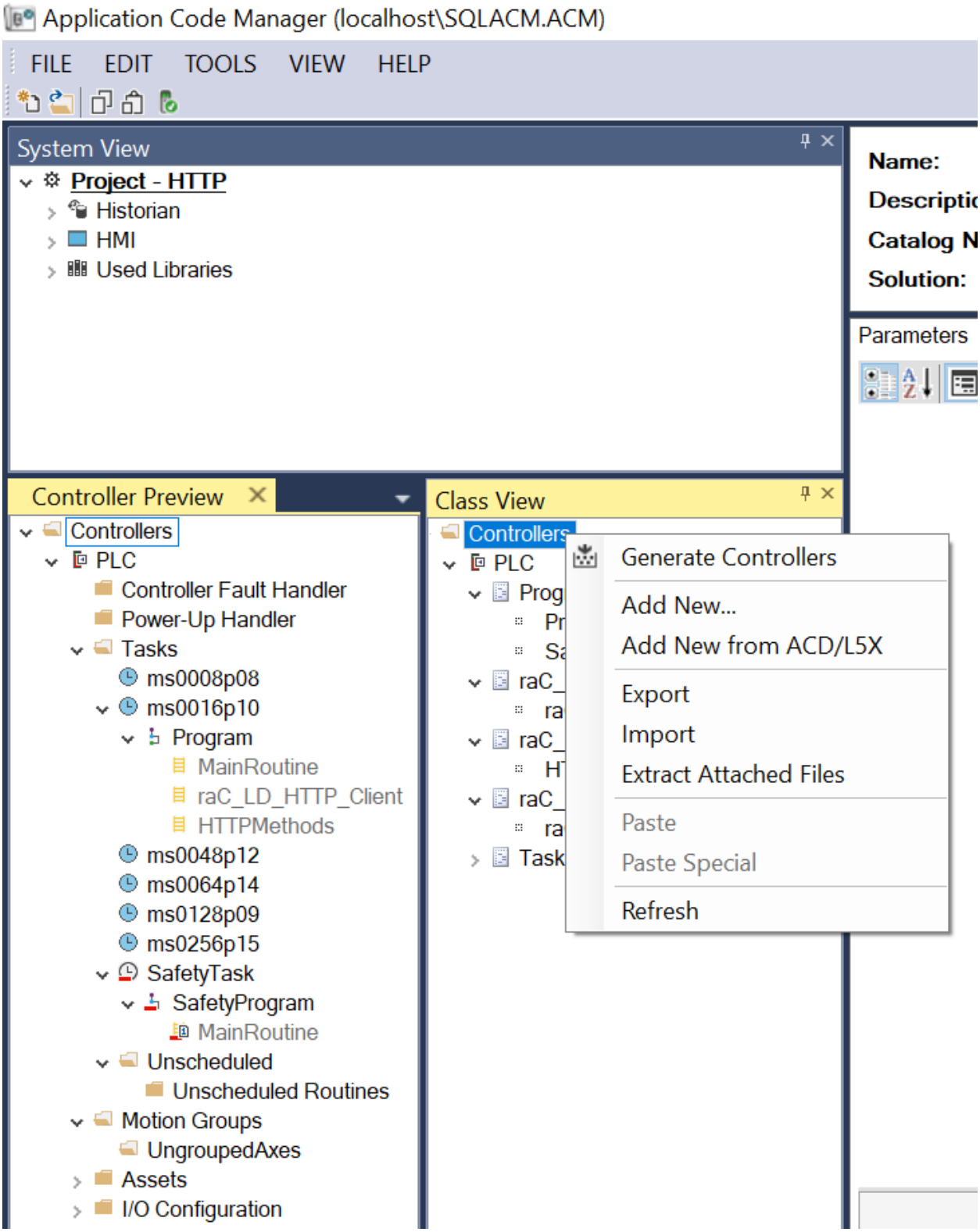
Generate the ACD file

With Generate controllers



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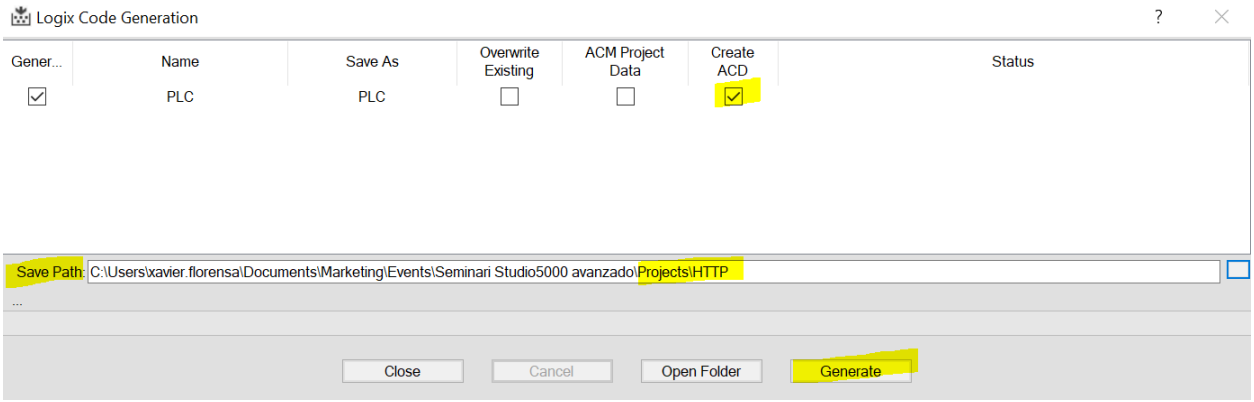
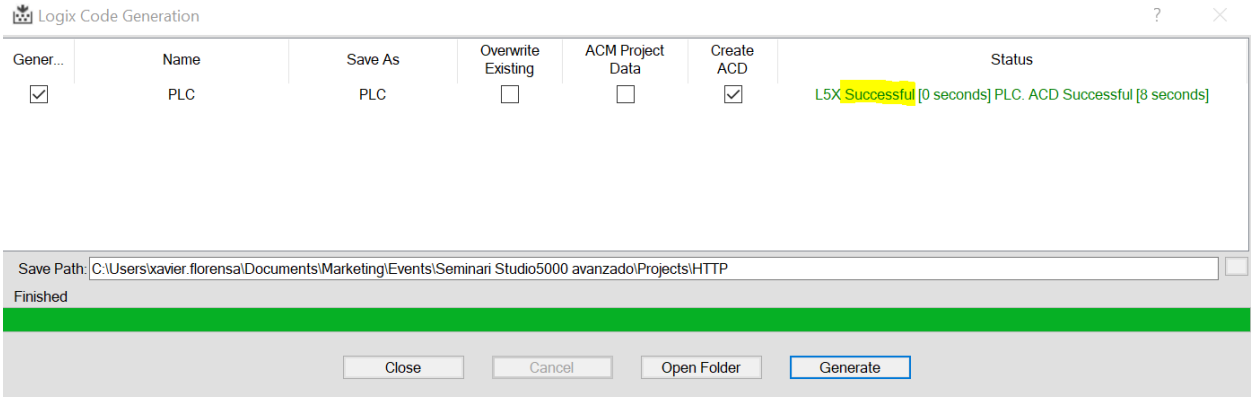
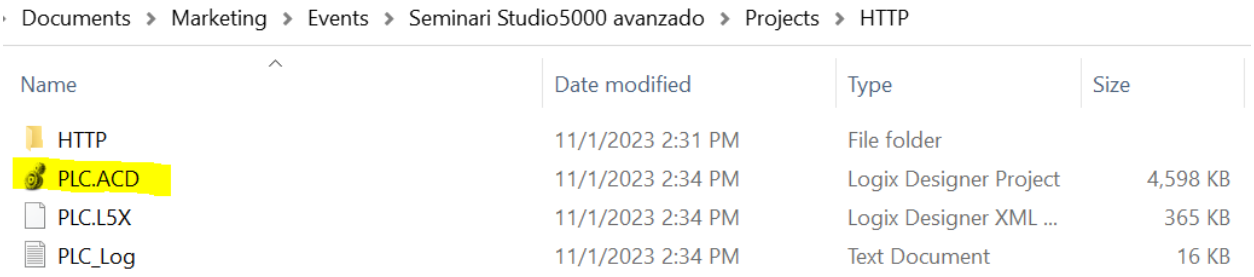


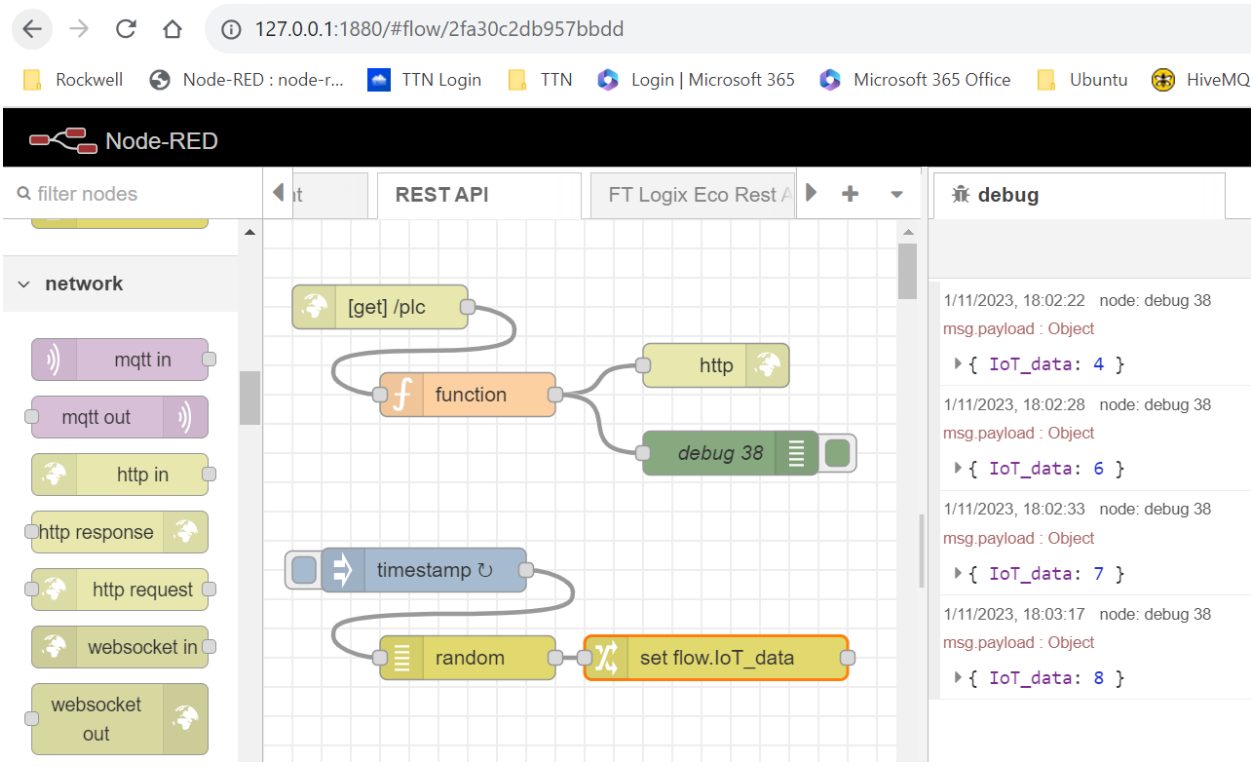




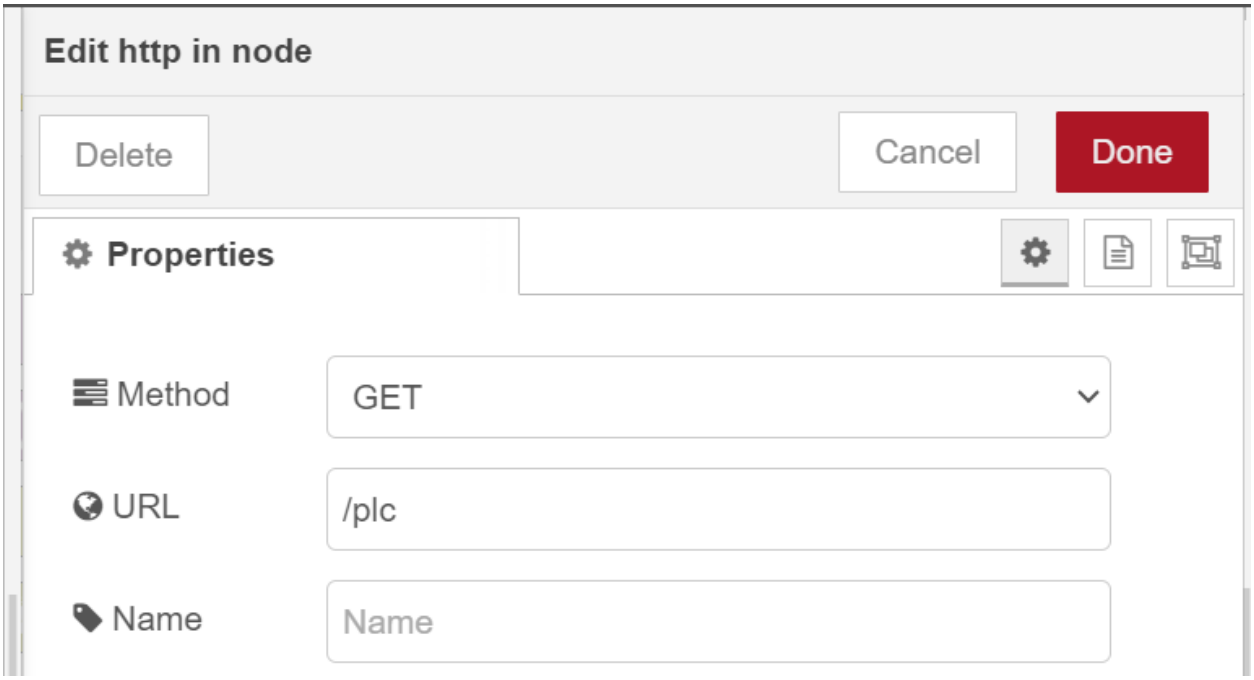
and open it on Studio5000.

To test it let's prepare a simple RESTFul API server, for instance one who returns the random value between 1 and 10.

This way with node-RED



And this is how the nodes are configured




Edit function node
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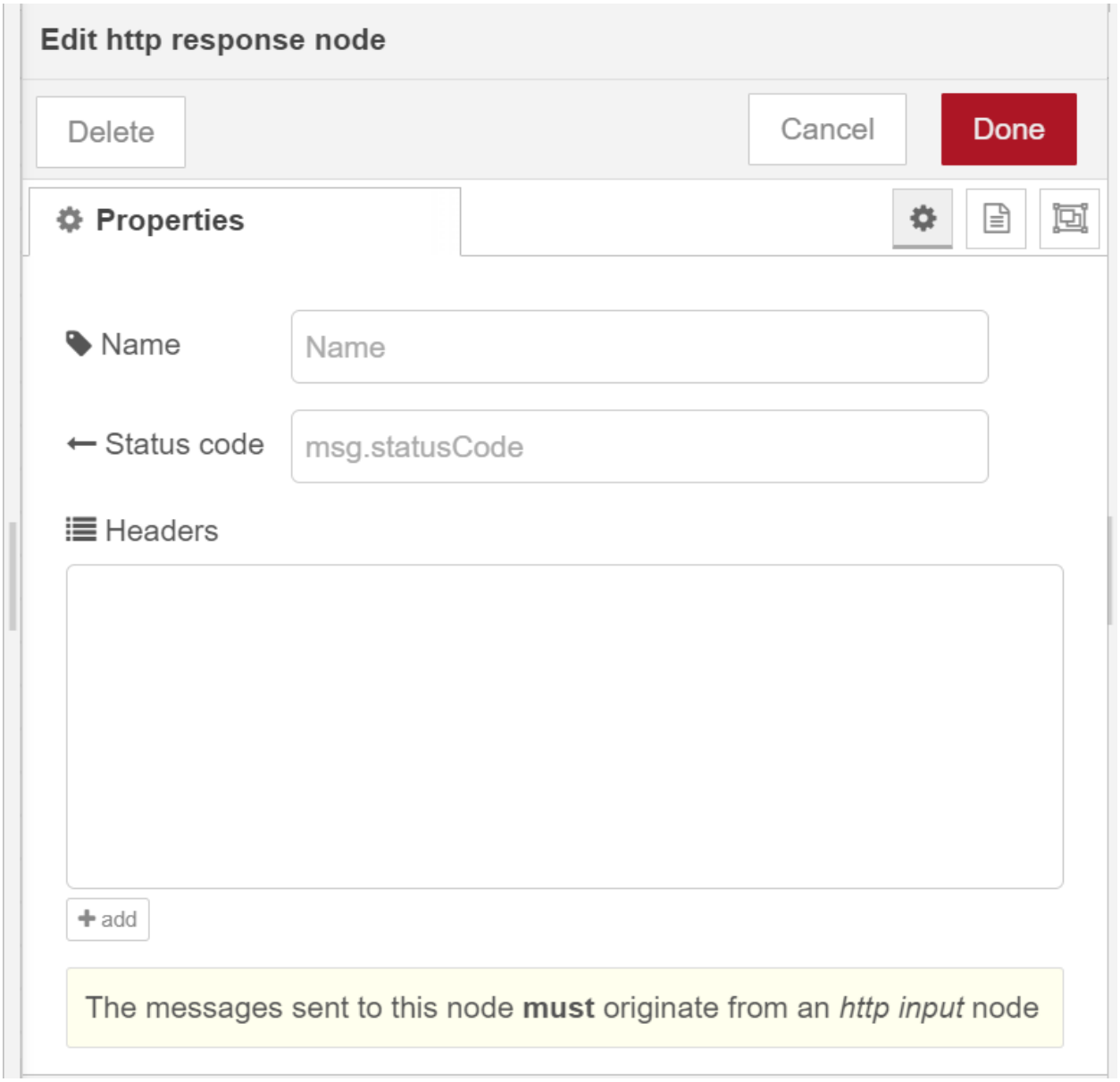
2 msg.payload={IoT_data:a};
3 return msg;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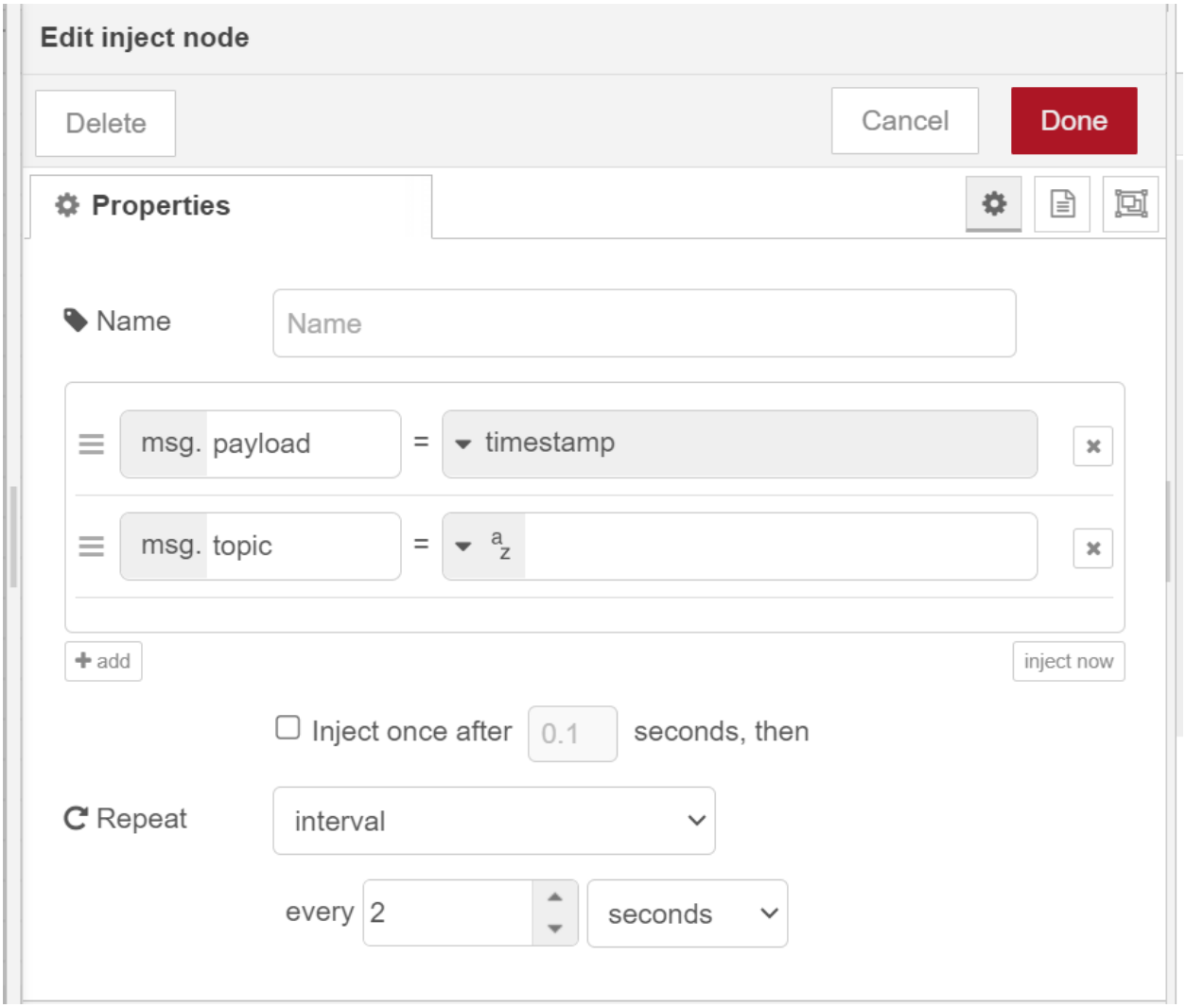
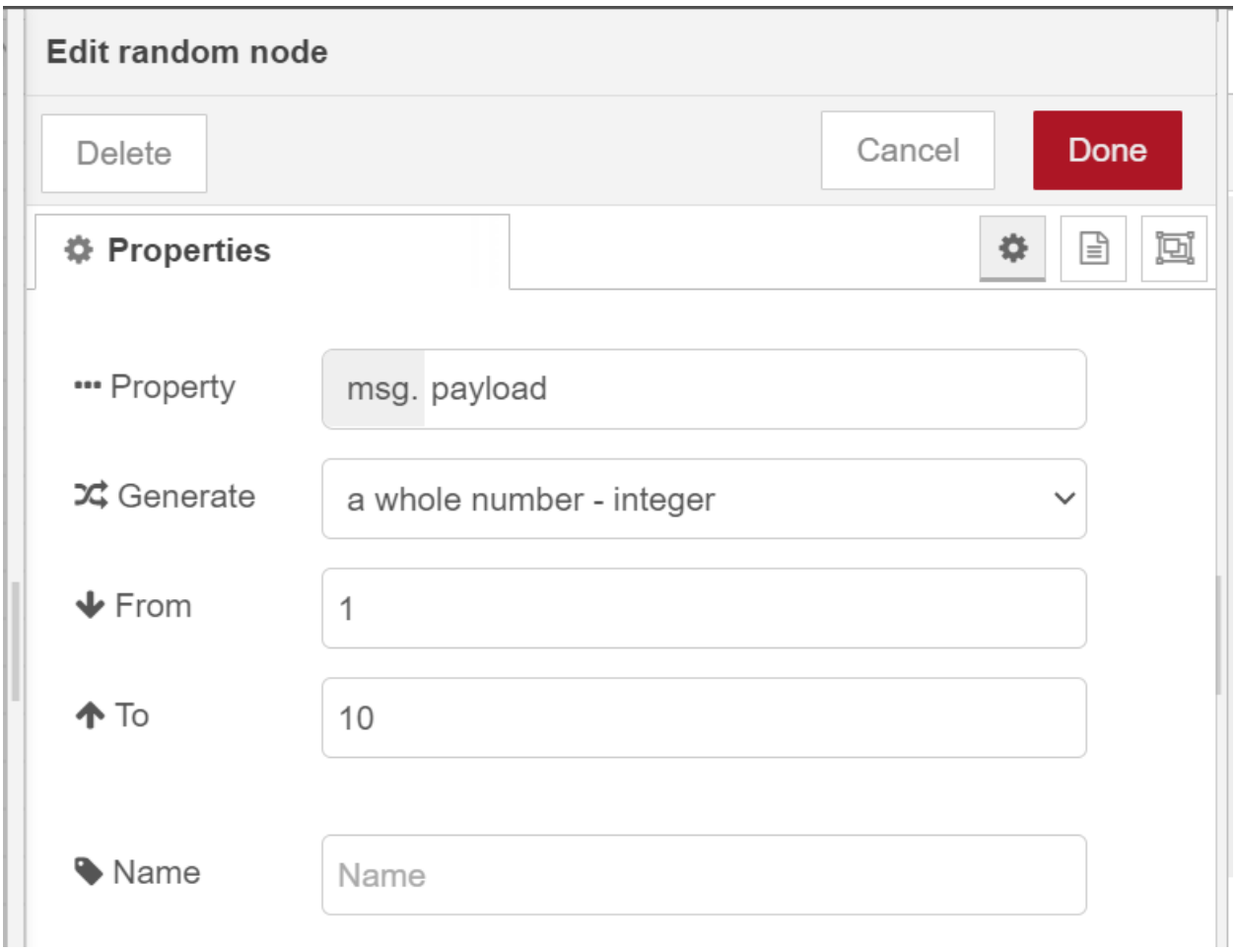
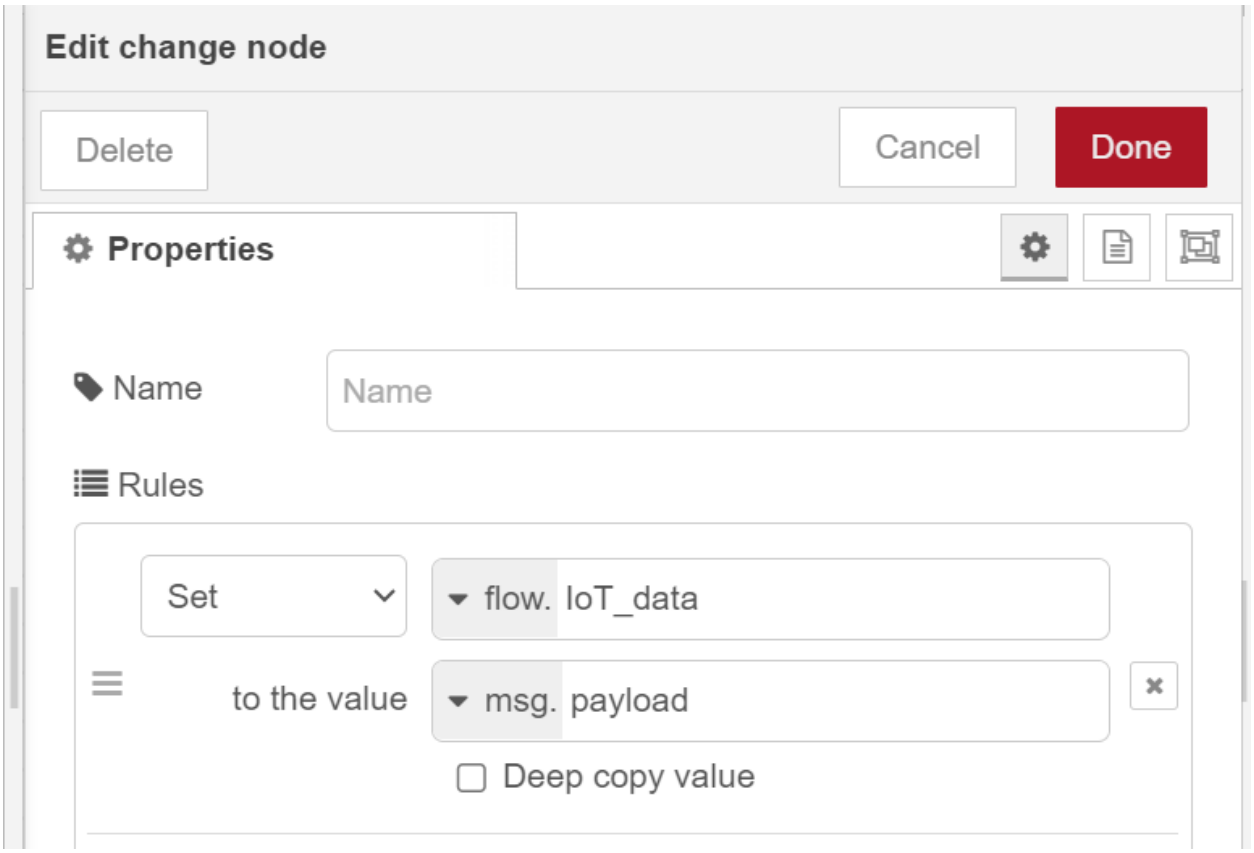
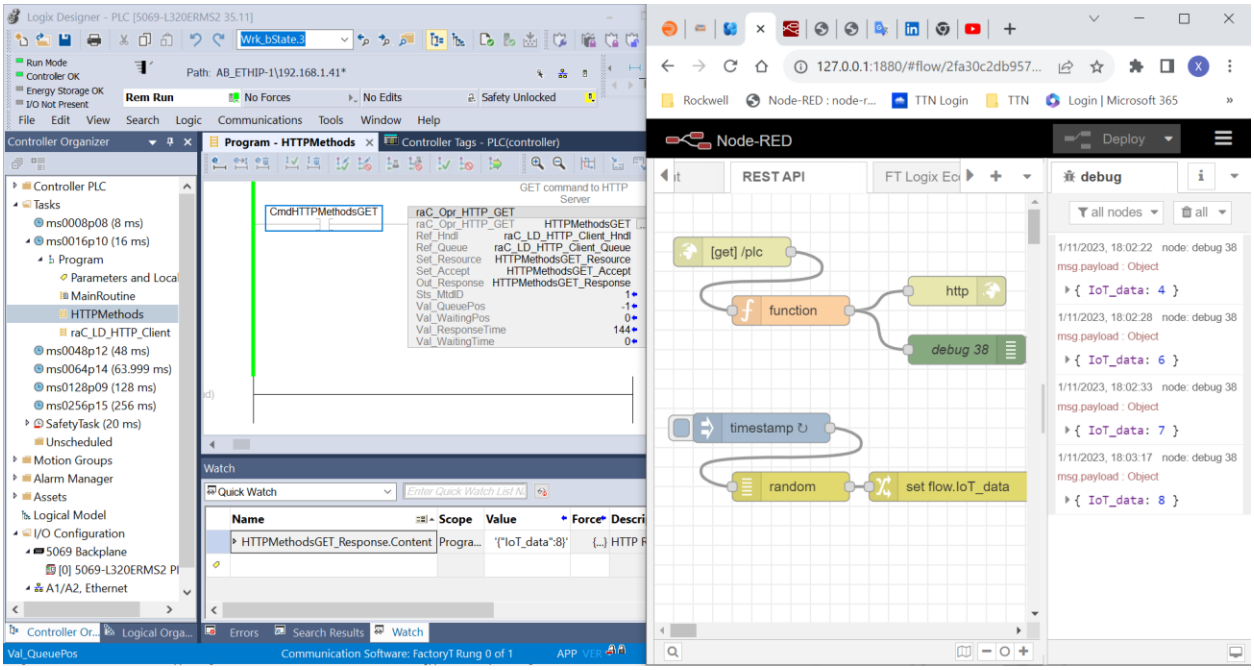
Name
Status code
msg.statusCode
Headers
add
The messages sent to this node must originate from an http input node


Edit inject node
Delete
Cancel
Done
Properties
Name
Name
msg. payload
=
timestamp
msg. topic
=
add
inject now
Inject once after
0.1
seconds, then
Repeat
interval
every
2
seconds


Edit random node
Delete
Cancel
Done
Properties
Property
msg. payload
Generate
a whole number - integer
From
1
To
10
Name
Name



Voilà



As you can see on this video

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next, we want to Inject on InfluxdB directly from PLC

1.1. Installing InfluxDB on windows

Using PowerShell in Administrator mode

Download with this command

```
wget https://dl.influxdata.com/influxdb/releases/influxdb2-2.7.3-windows.zip -UseBasicParsing -OutFile influxdb2-2.7.3-windows.zip

Expand-Archive .\influxdb2-2.7.3-windows.zip -DestinationPath 'C:\Program Files\InfluxData\influxdb\'
```

From this guide

https://portal.influxdata.com/downloads/

Start InfluxDB

In **Powershell**, navigate into `C:\Program Files\InfluxData\influxdb` and start InfluxDB by running the `influxd` daemon:

```
> cd -Path 'C:\Program Files\InfluxData\influxdb'
> ./influxd
```


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> cd -Path 'C:\Program Files\InfluxData\influxdb'
> ./influxd
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cd -Path 'C:\Program Files\InfluxData\influxdb'

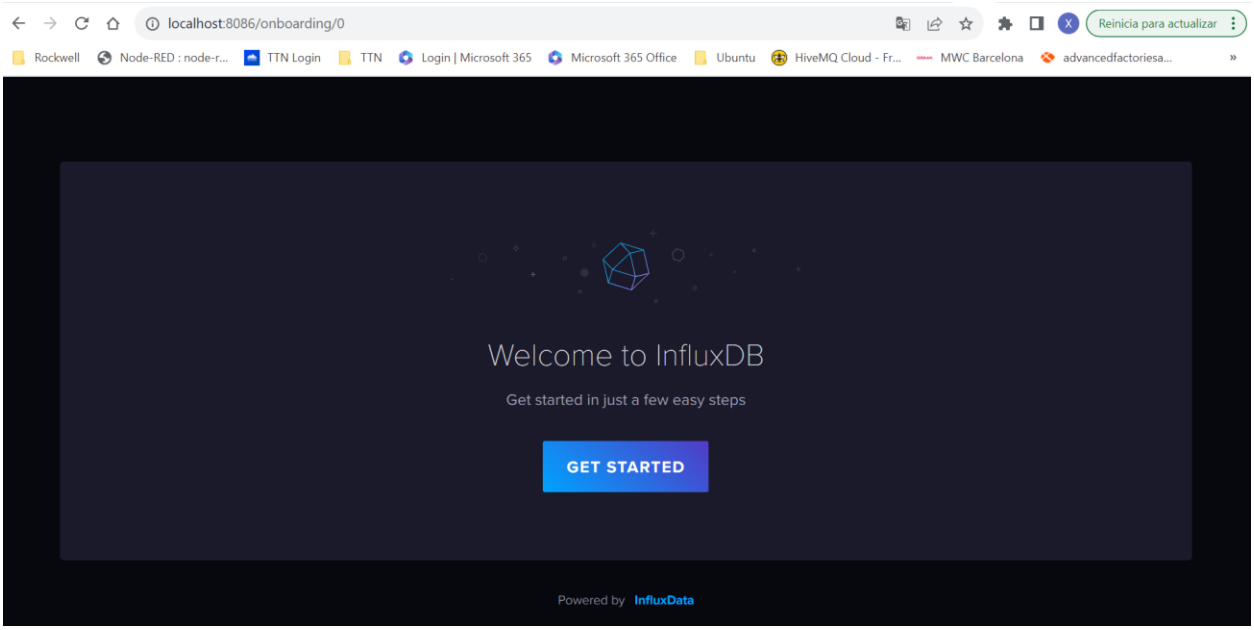
./influxd

Open an explorer with localhost and port 8086

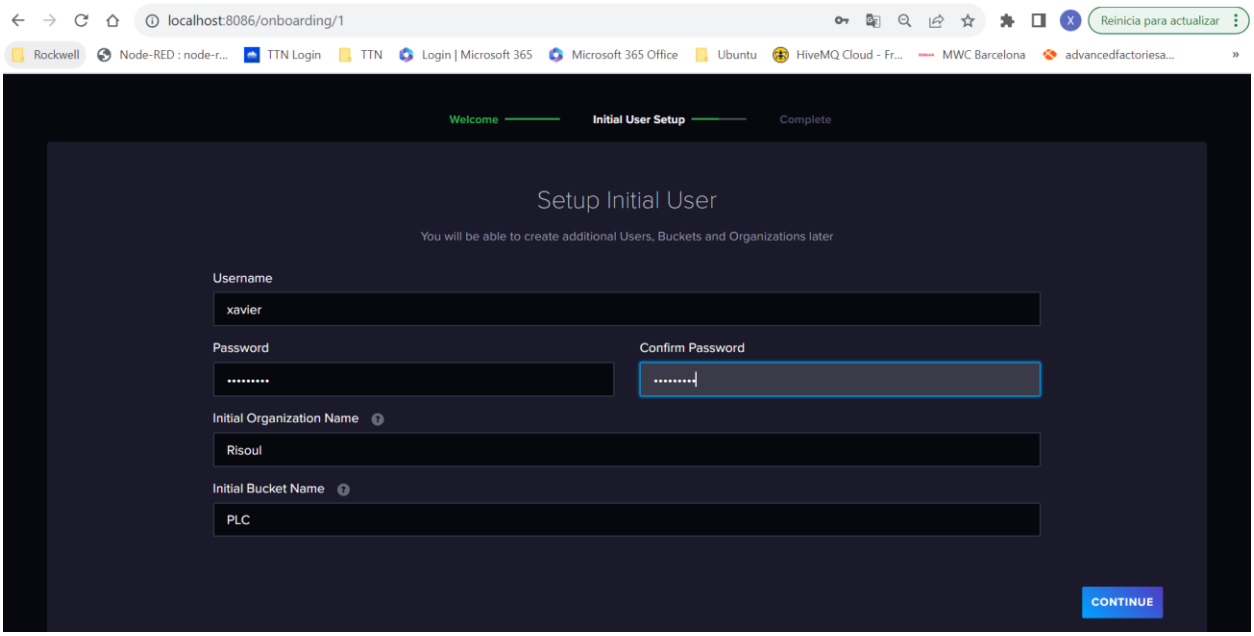
Username

xavier

Password



Start building your influxdb use cases



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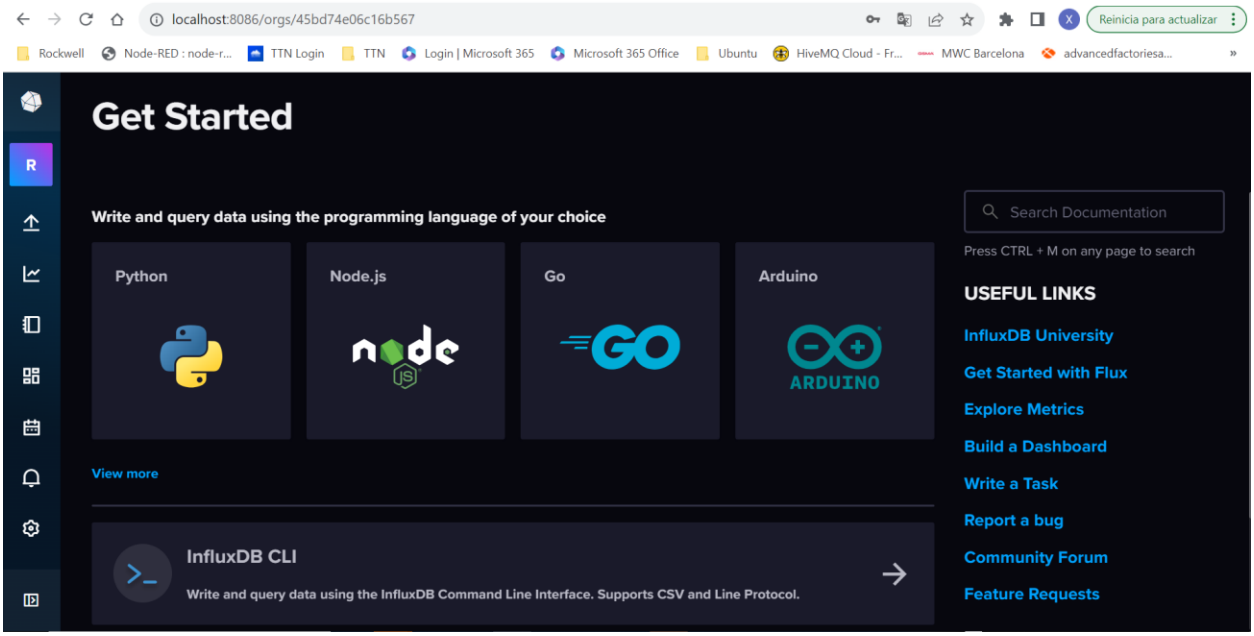
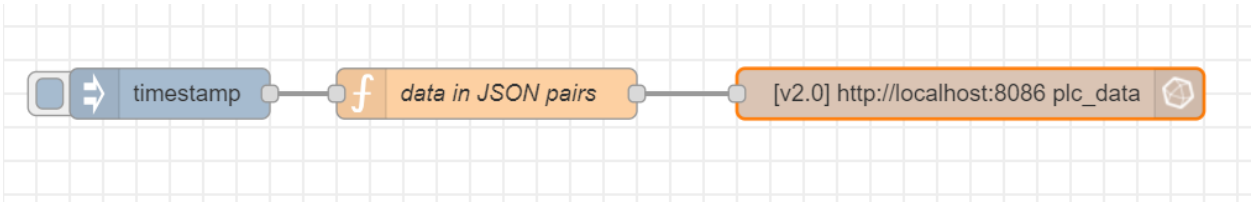
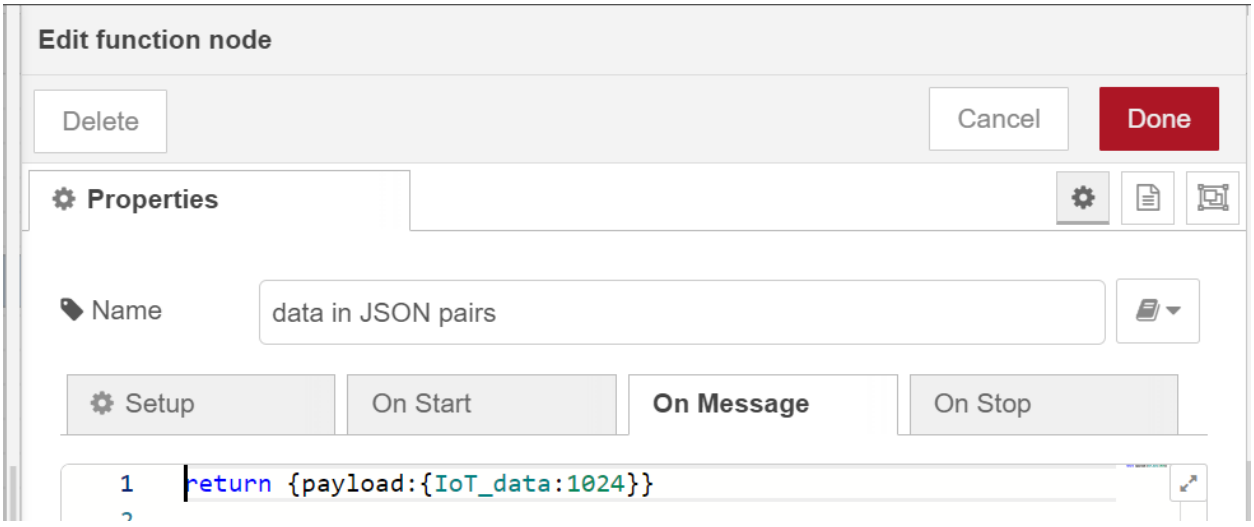
Select Quickstart

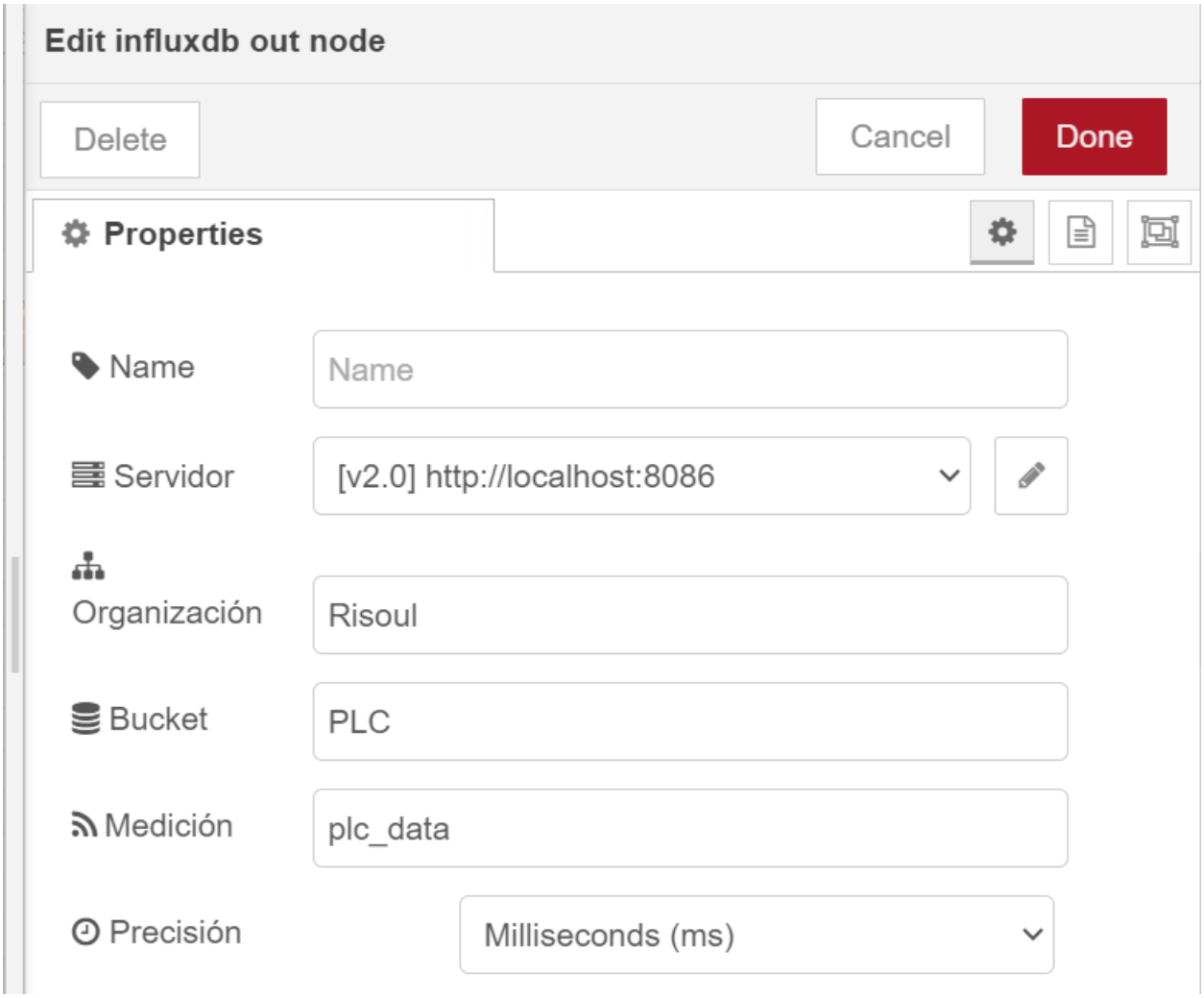


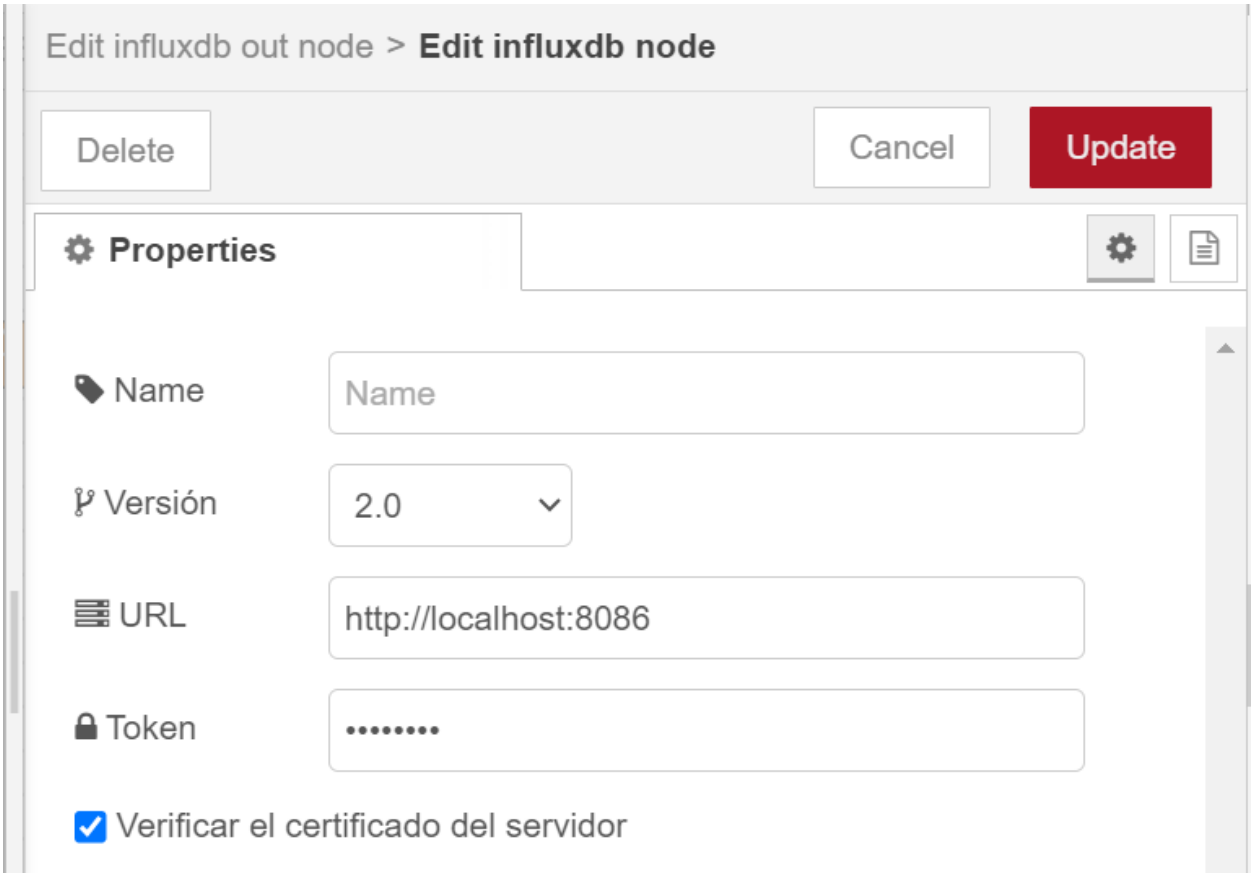
1.2. Inject your first data with node-red

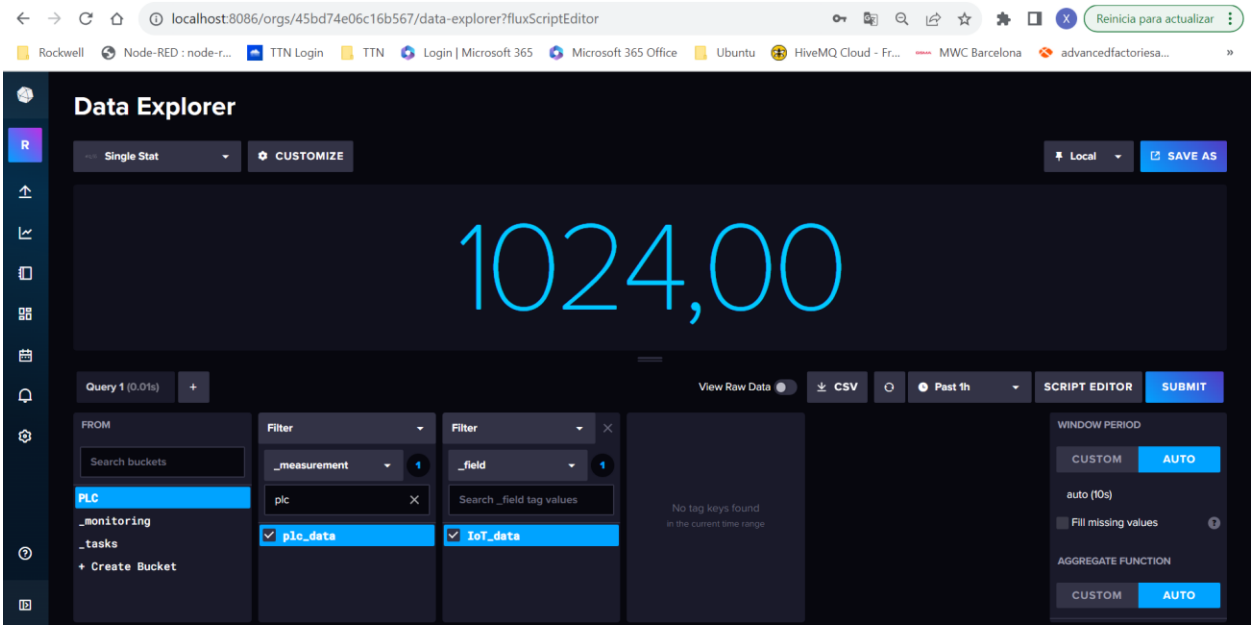




Let's try to inject to INfluxDB using an Http request

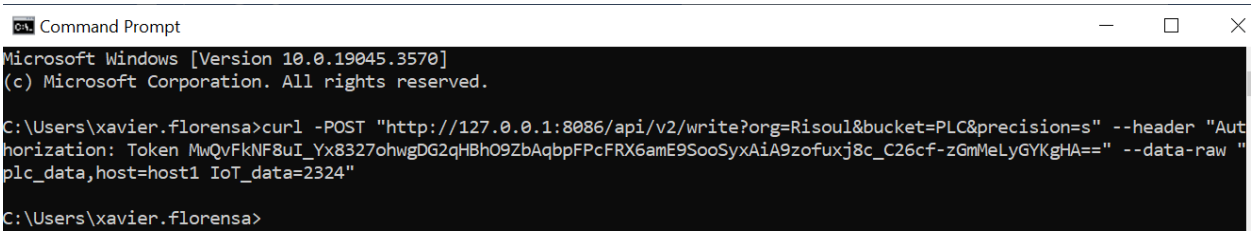

Edit influxdb out node
Delete
Cancel
Done
Properties
Name
Name
Servidor
[v2.0] http://localhost:8086
Organización
Risoul
Bucket
PLC
Medición
plc_data
Precisión
Milliseconds (ms)

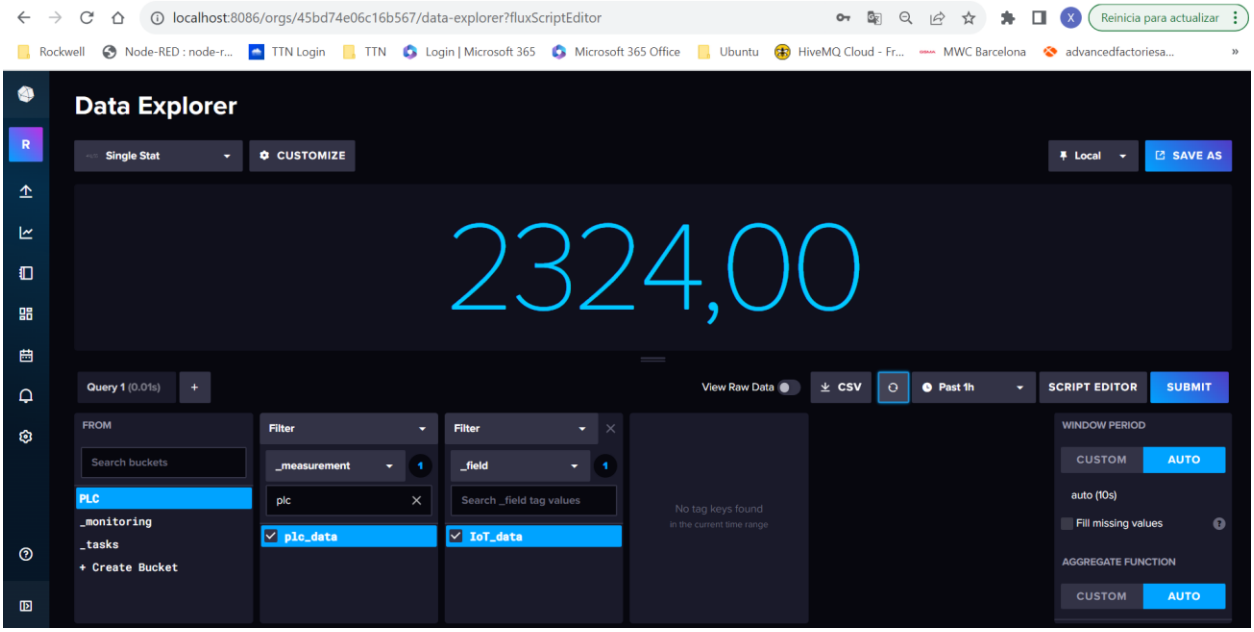




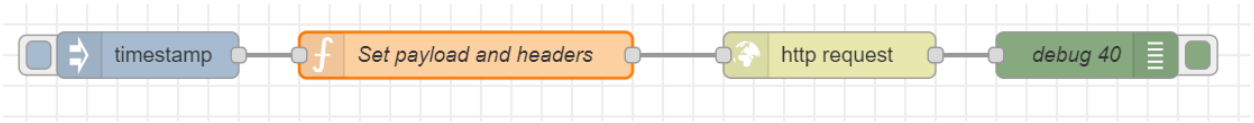
Now let’s try to build the http request ourselves

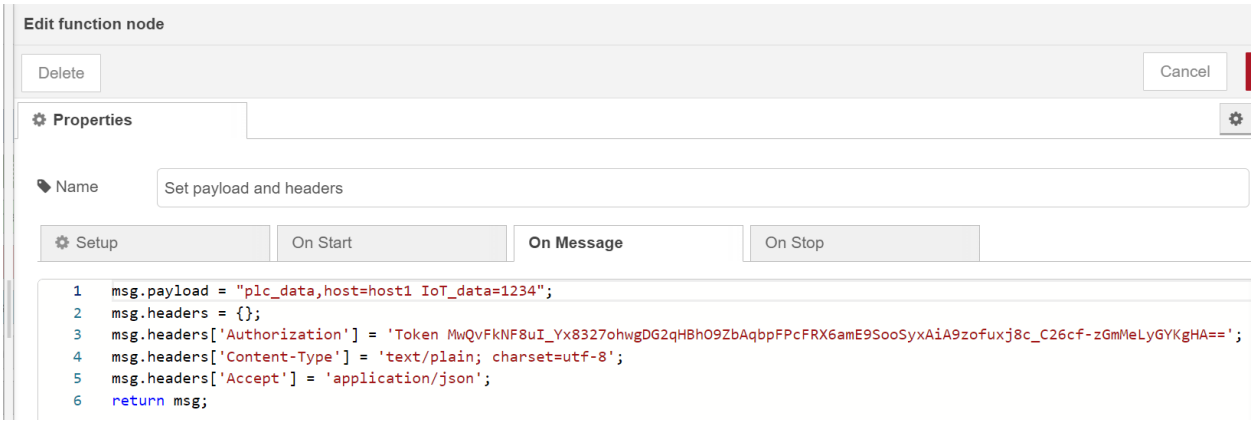
curl -POST "http://127.0.0.1:8086/api/v2/write?org=Risoul&bucket=PLC&precision=s" --header "Authorization: Token MwQvFkNF8uI_Yx8327ohwgDG2qHBhO9ZbAqbpFPcFRX6amE9SooSyxAiA9zofuxj8c_C26cf-zGmMeLyGYKgHA==" --data-raw "plc_data,host=host1 IoT_data=2324"



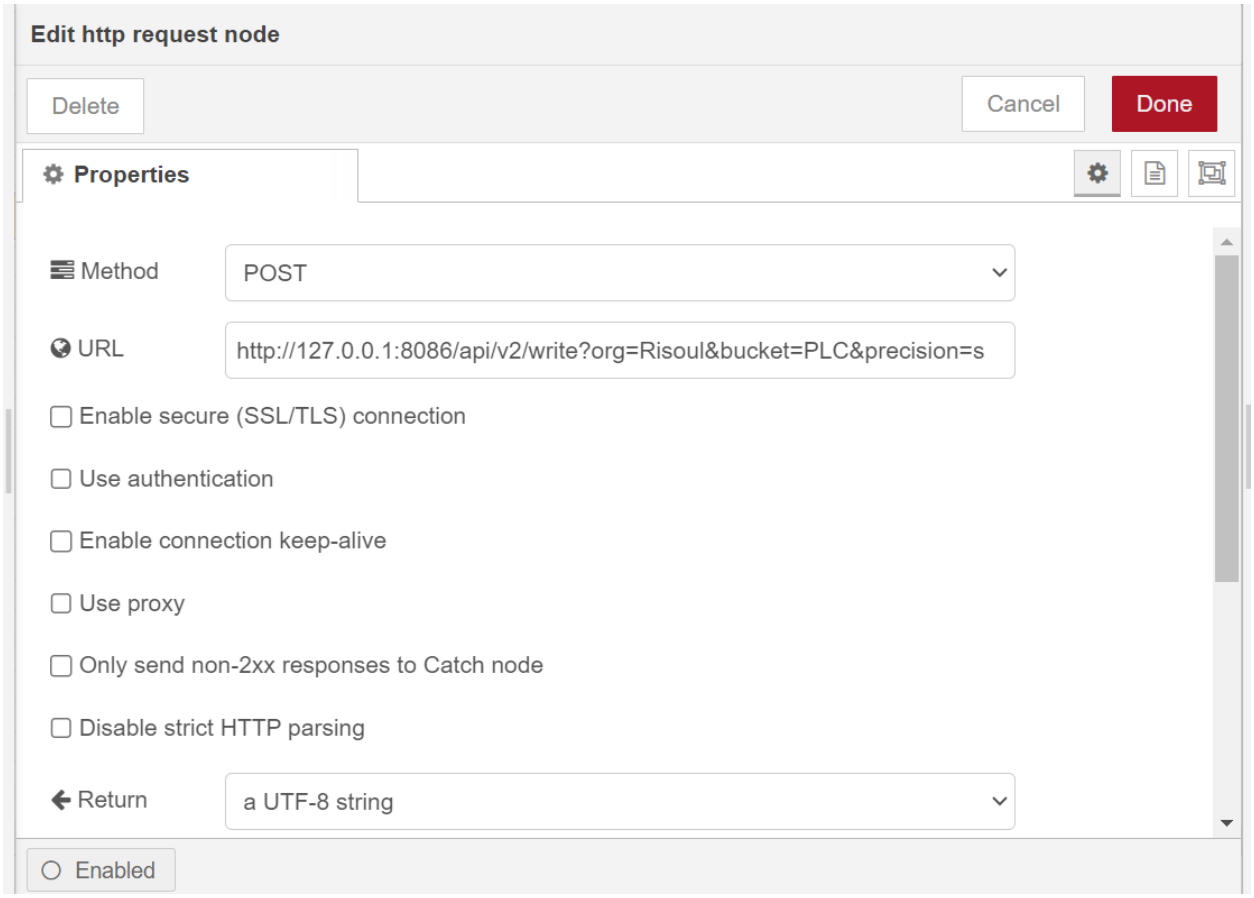


Let’s do this from Node-RED

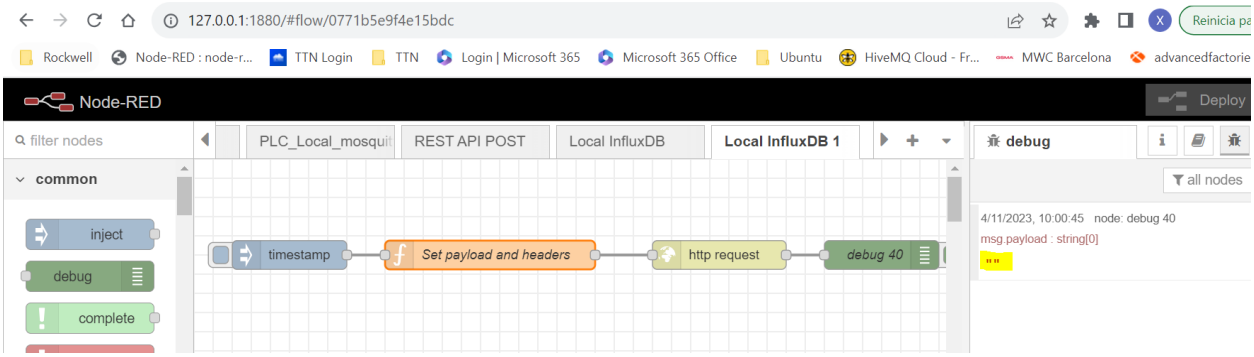


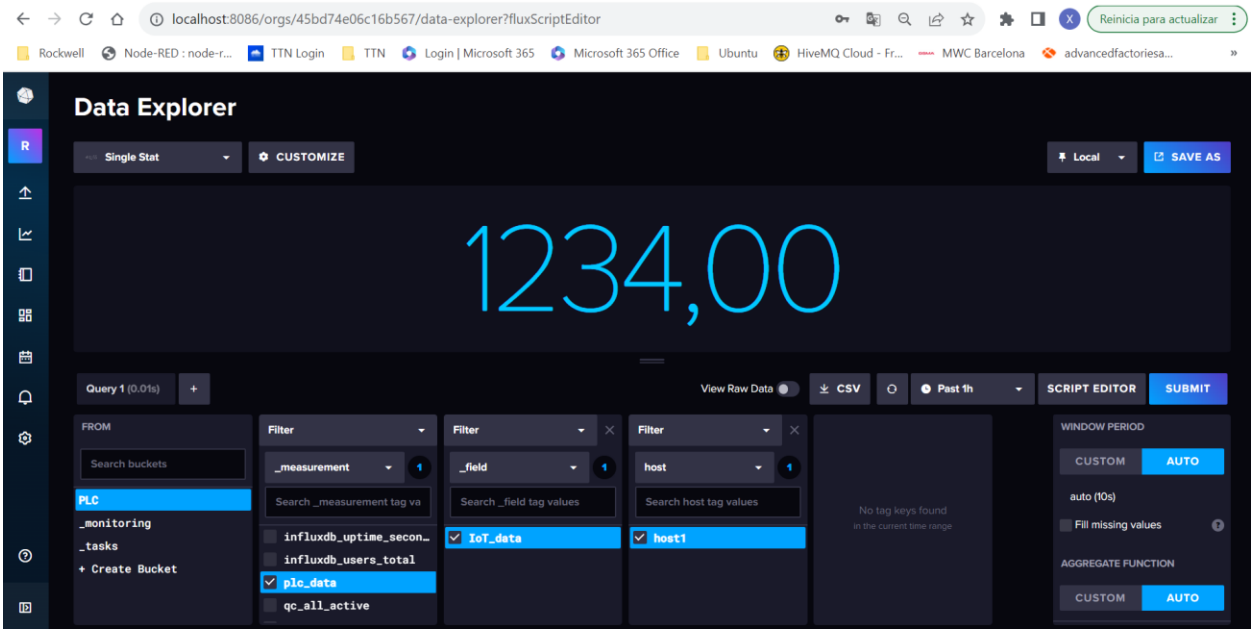



```
msg.payload = "plc_data,host=host1 IoT_data=1234";
msg.headers = {};
msg.headers['Authorization'] = 'Token
MwQvFkNF8uI_Yx8327ohwgDG2qHBhO9ZbAqbpFPcFRX6amE9SooSyxAiA9zofuxj8c_C26cf-
zGmMeLyGYKgHA==';
msg.headers['Content-Type'] = 'text/plain; charset=utf-8';
msg.headers['Accept'] = 'application/json';
return msg;
```



Success





Now, let's try to do this from our PLC

1.3. Injecting in InfluxDB directly from PLC

You can see the final result on this video

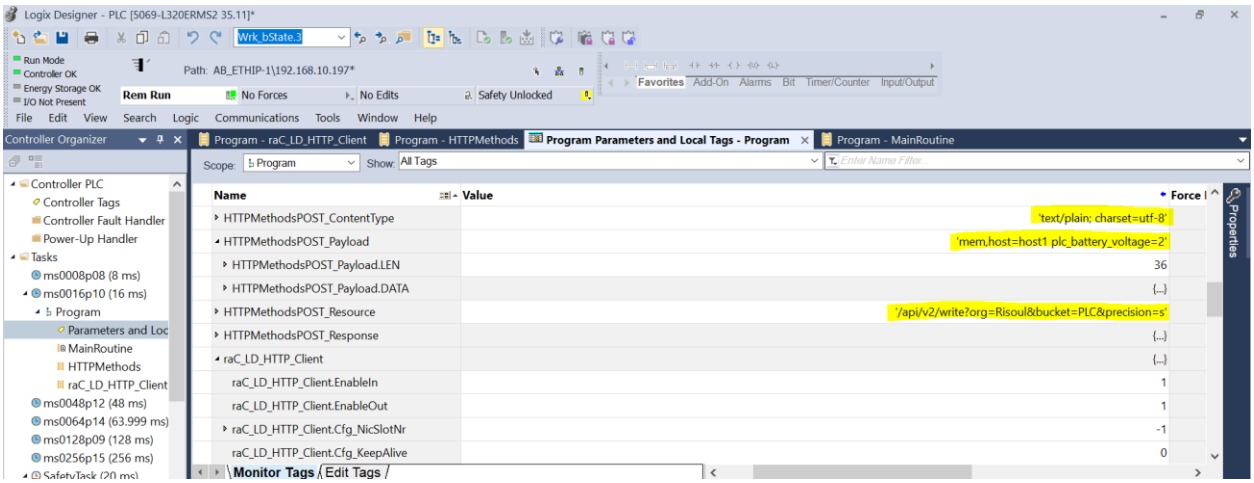
https://youtu.be/tDezJRUEjq4

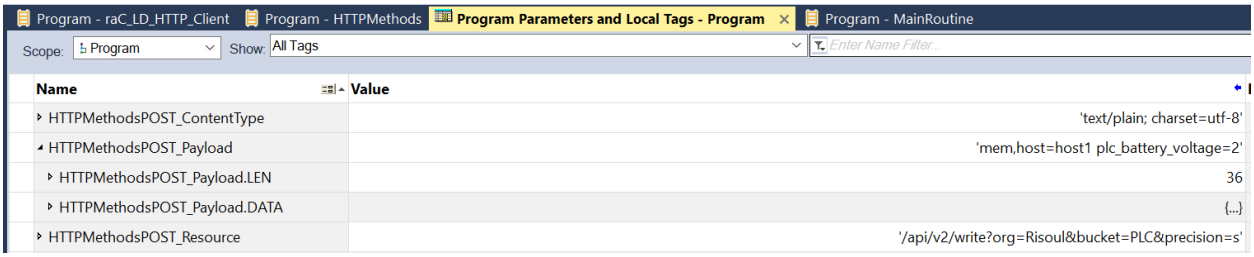
The test was done with a PLC in DHCP connected to a wireless router thru patchcord cable

PLC has this address: 192.168.10.197

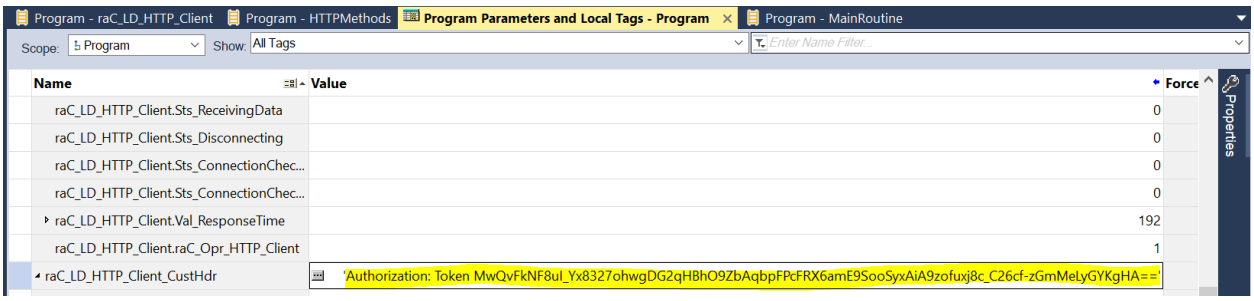
The computer has this Wi-fi address per DHCP: 192.168.10.105

Adjust these values on PLC

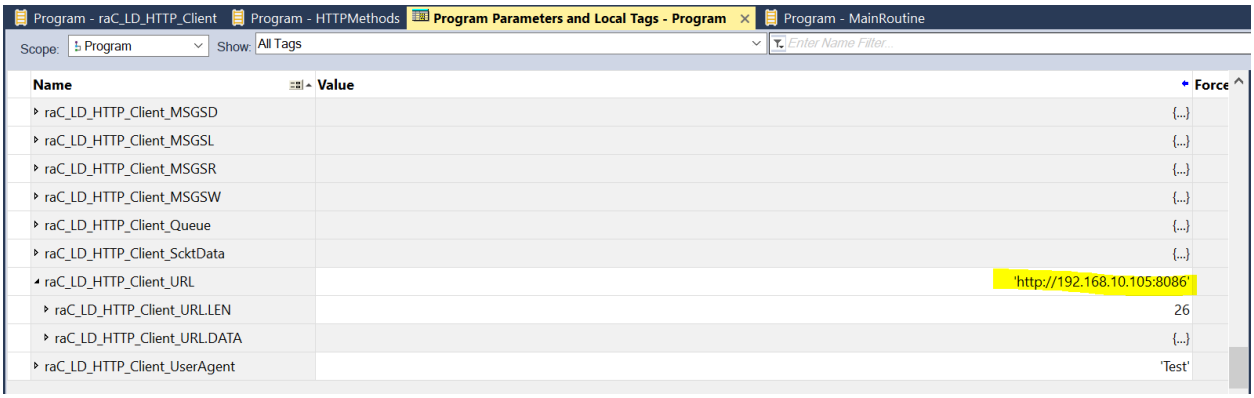




And the custom header



And the InfluxDB server IP



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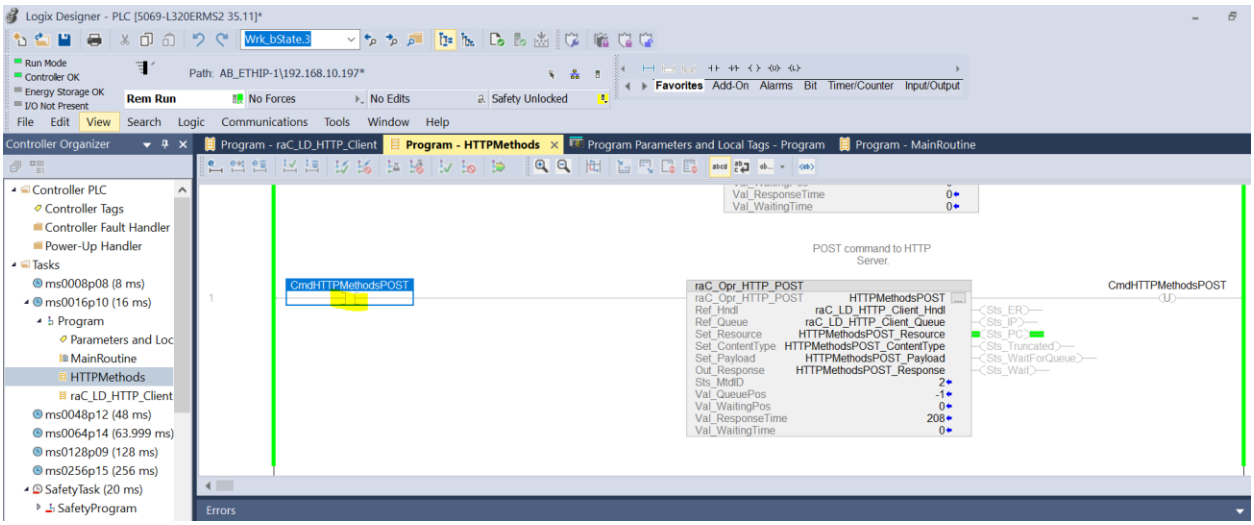
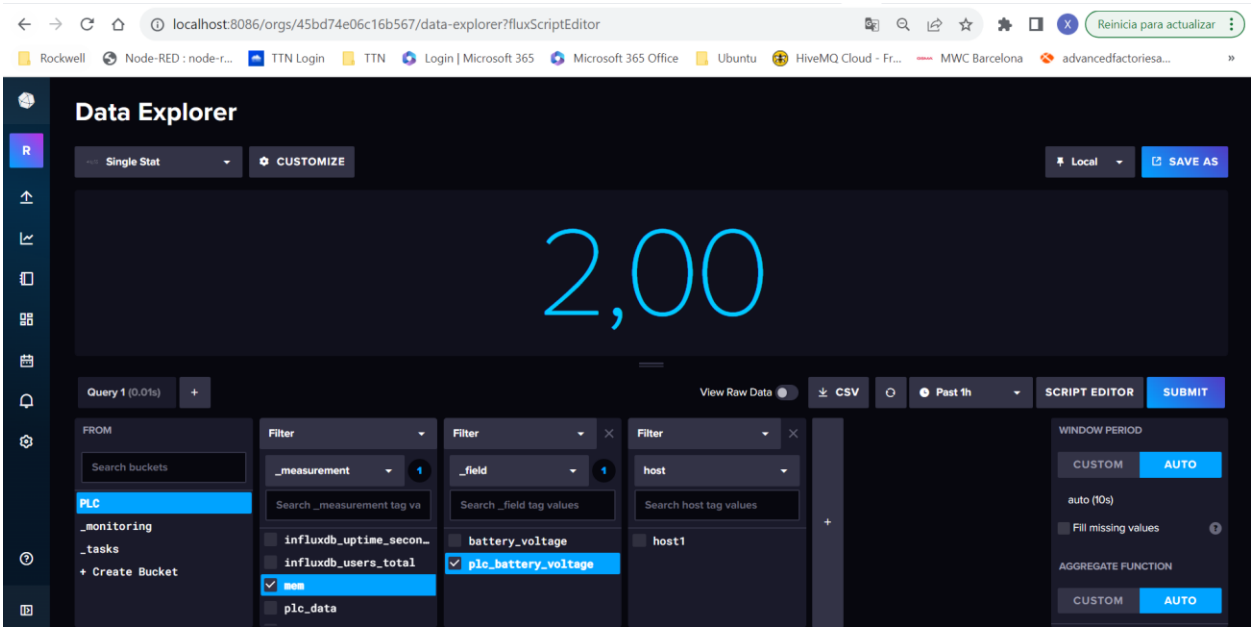
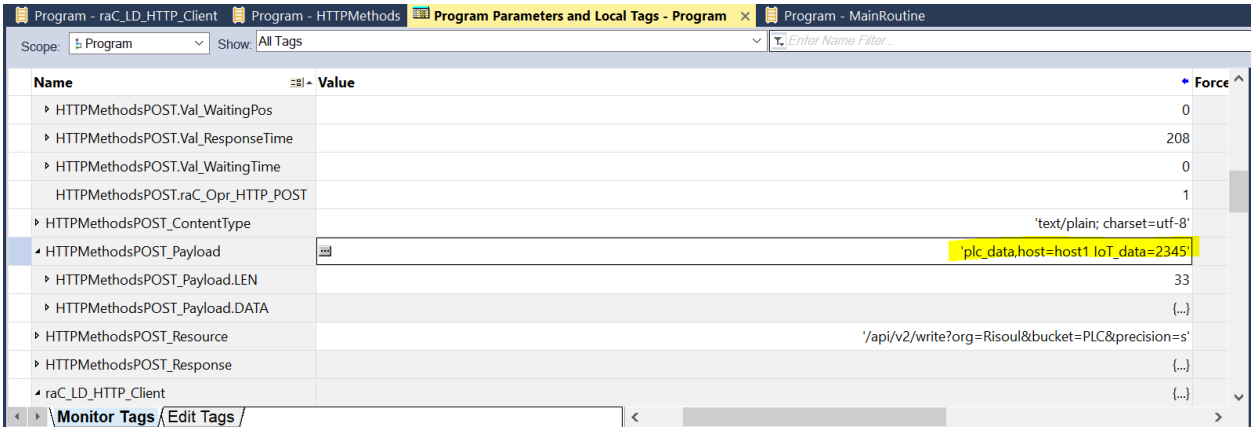


It works!!!!



Now let’s try with this value



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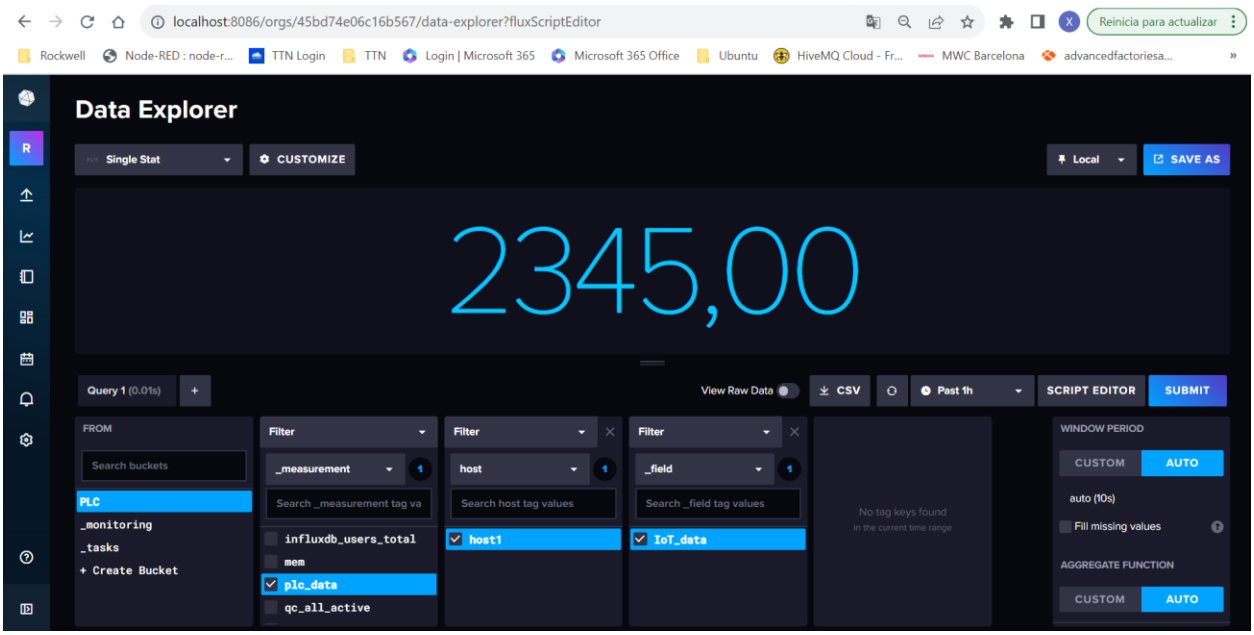
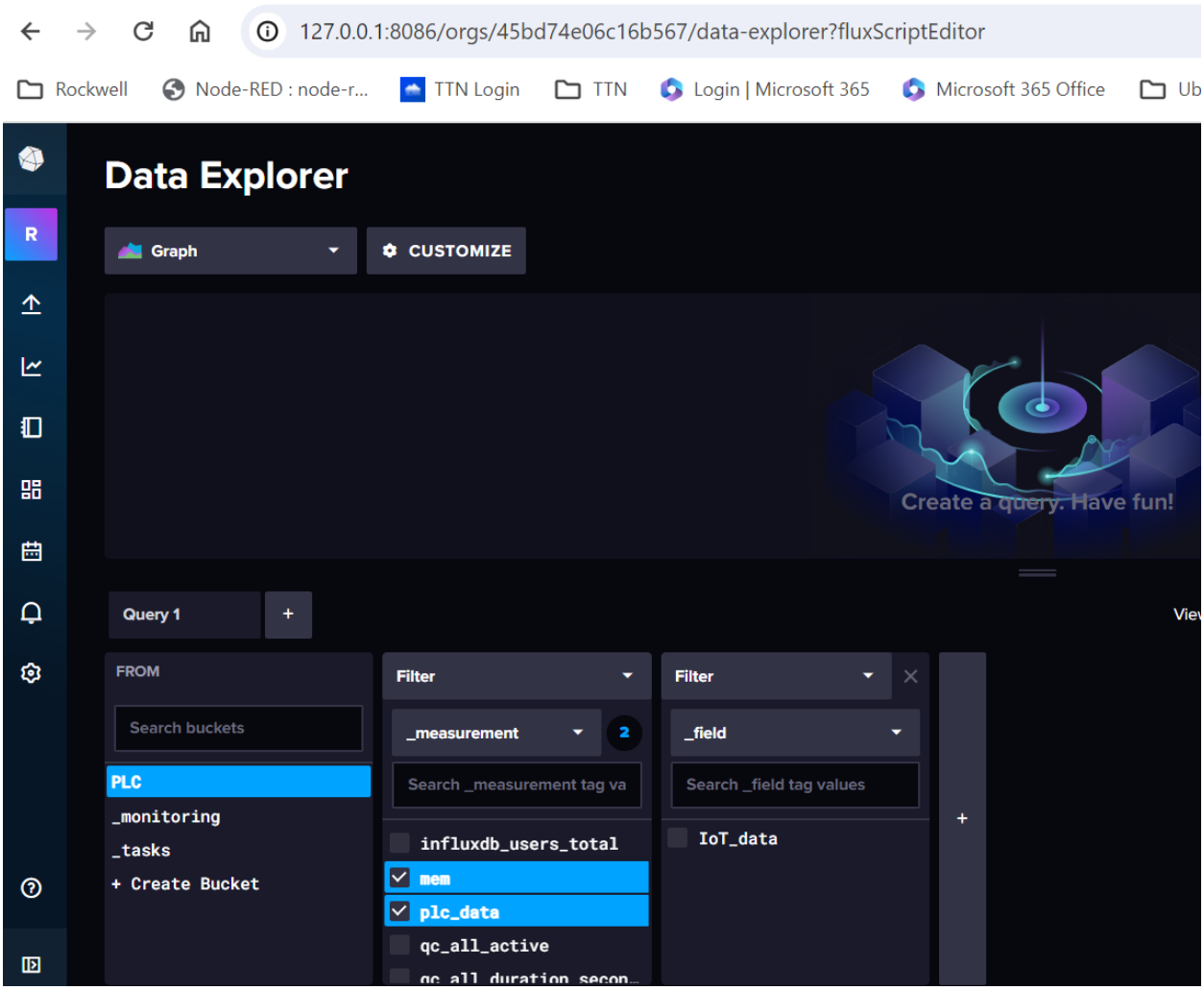
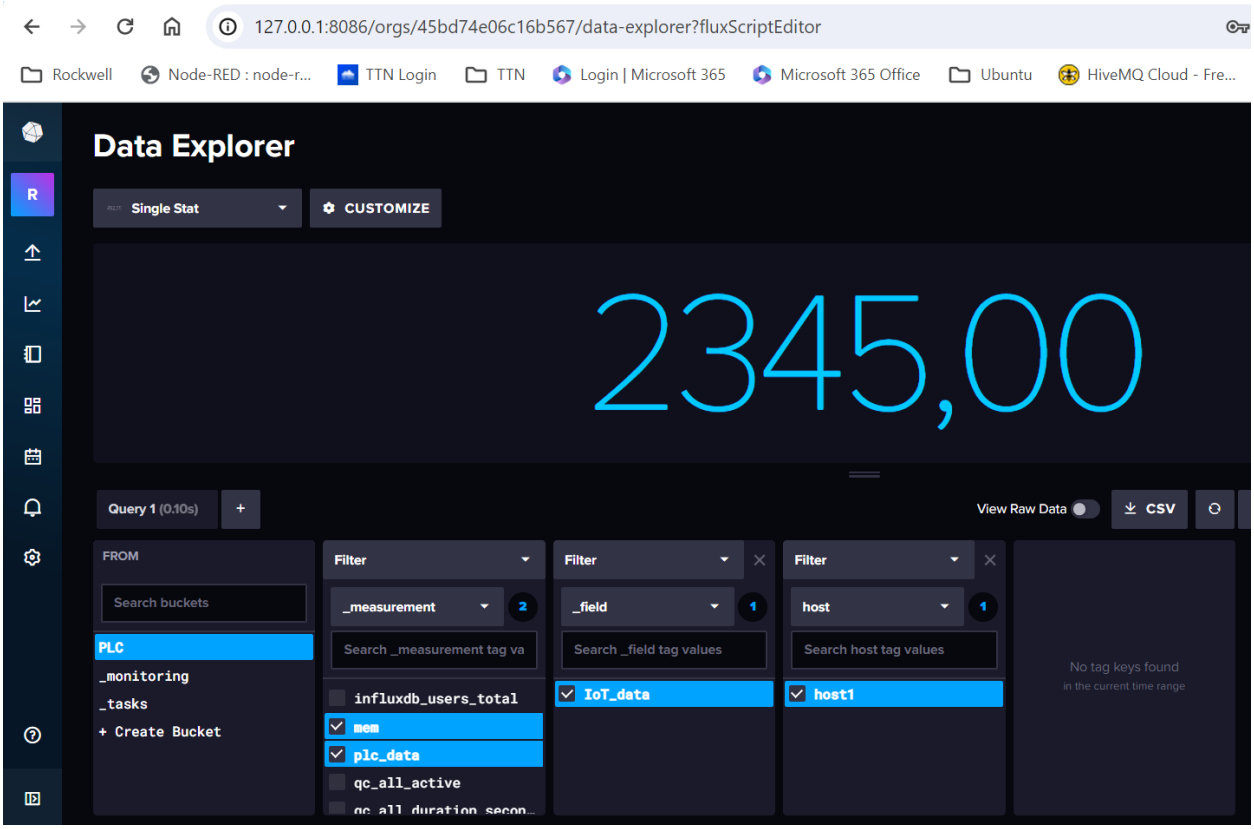
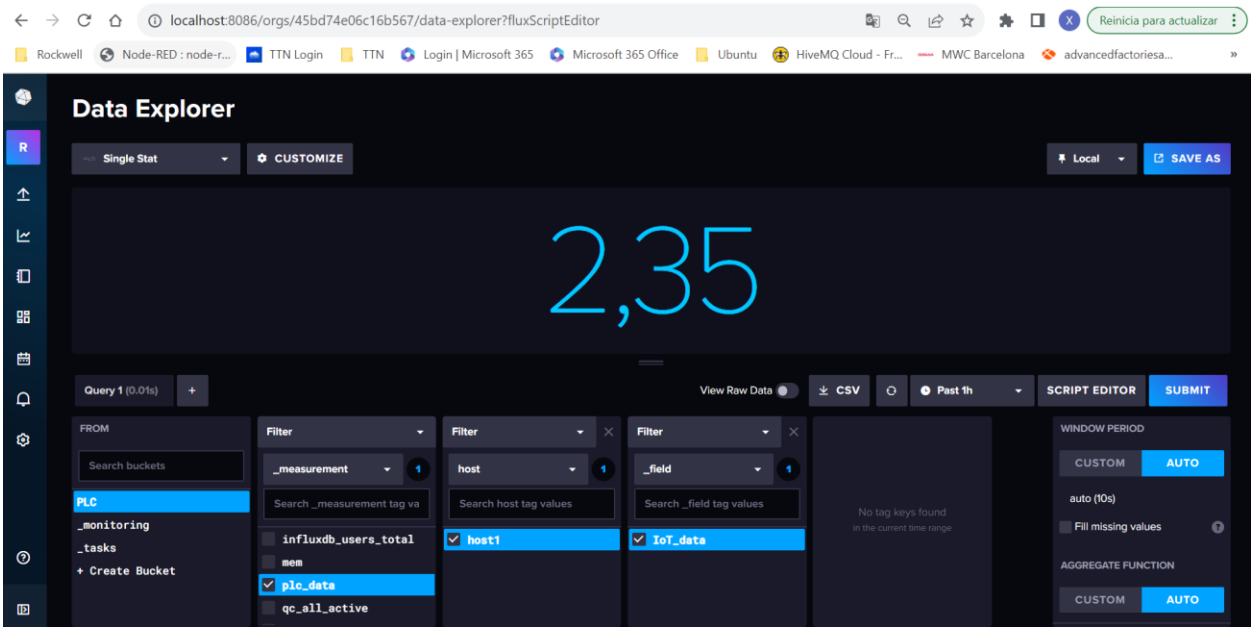


We can also try with this filtering

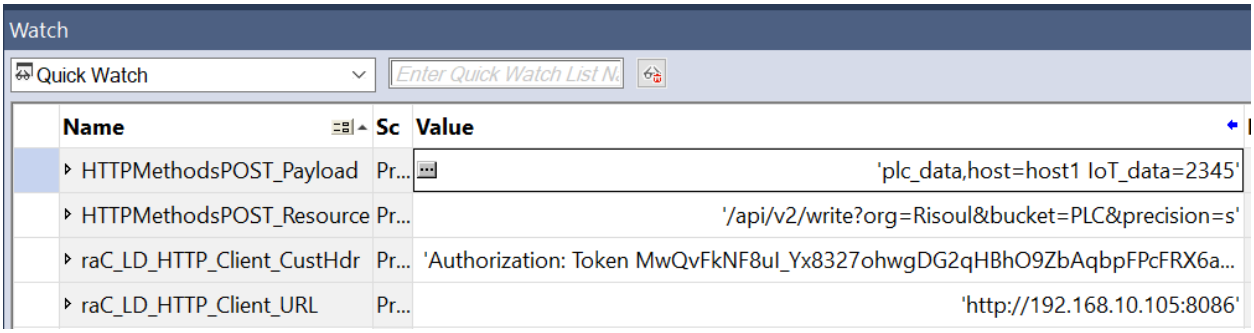

127.0.0.1:8086/orgs/45bd74e06c16b567/data-explorer?fluxScriptEditor
Rockwell
Node-RED : node-r...
TTN Login
TTN
Login | Microsoft 365
Microsoft 365 Office
Data Explorer
Graph
CUSTOMIZE
Create a query. Have fun!
Query 1
FROM
Search buckets
PLC
_monitoring
_tasks
+ Create Bucket
Filter
_measurement
2
Search _measurement tag va
influxdb_users_total
mem
plc_data
qc_all_active
Filter
_field
Search _field tag values
IoT_data



Be careful with the comma



So these are the configuration



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A cloud database cannot be used since This HTTP does not support secure https calls