

Earth leakage circuit breaker with
automatic
reclosing and measurement system
RECmax-CVM and LoRaWAN
RAK 7431 to LoRaWAN converter





We start reading some energy values

Voltage

Table 22: Modbus memory map (Table 1)

| Parameter | Symbol | Instantaneous | Maximum | Minimum | Units |
|------------------|--------|---------------|---------|---------|--------|
| Phase voltage L1 | V1 | 00-01 | 106-107 | 164-165 | V x 10 |
| Current L1 | A1 | 02-03 | 108-109 | 166-167 | mA |
| Active power L1 | kW 1 | 04-05 | 10A-10B | 168-169 | W |

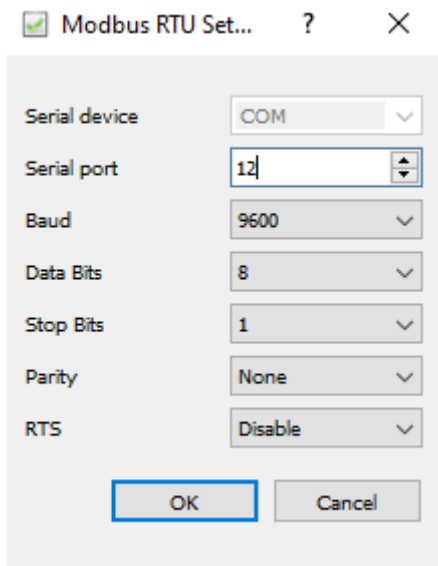
These are the default comm's parametres

Table 43:Modbus memory map: Communications

| Communications | | | |
|------------------------|---------|---|---------------|
| Configuration variable | Address | Valid data margin | Default value |
| Protocol | 2742 | 0 : Modbus | 0 |
| Peripheral number | 2743 | 0 - 255 | 1 |
| Transmission speed | 2744 | 0: 9600 - 1:19200 | 0 |
| Parity | 2745 | 0: No parity 1: Odd parity 2: Even parity | 0 |
| Data bits | 2746 | 0 : 8-bit 1: 7 bits | 0 |
| Stop bits | 2747 | 0 : 1 stop bit 1: 2 stop bits | 0 |

So let's start with software qModMaster

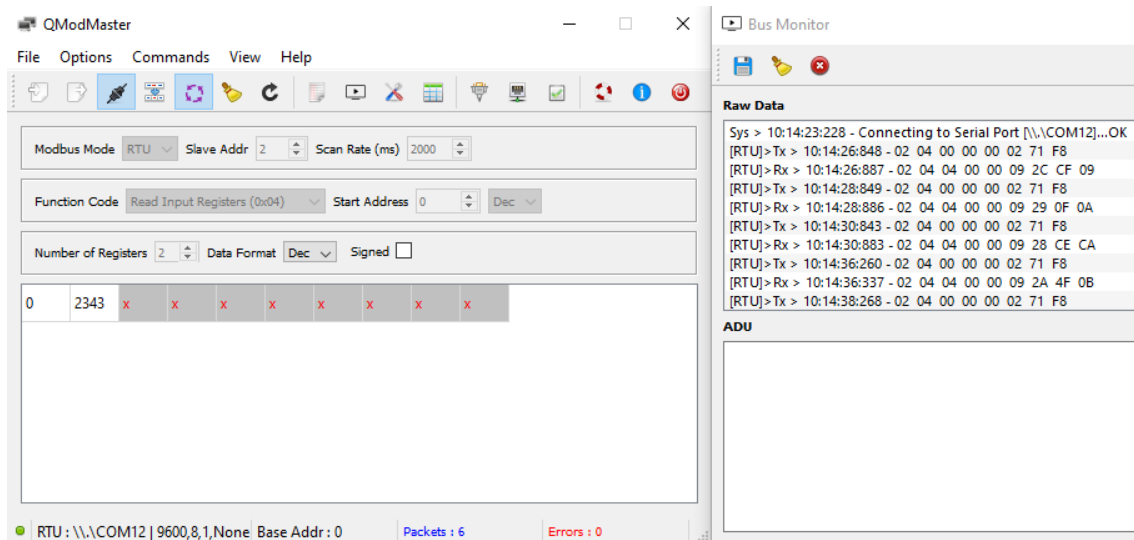
Use this configuration



Let's read the voltage Phase 1



Peripheral slave was 2 on the Device after looking at the front LCD



So the voltatge is 234,3 Volts (We have to divide the data by 10)

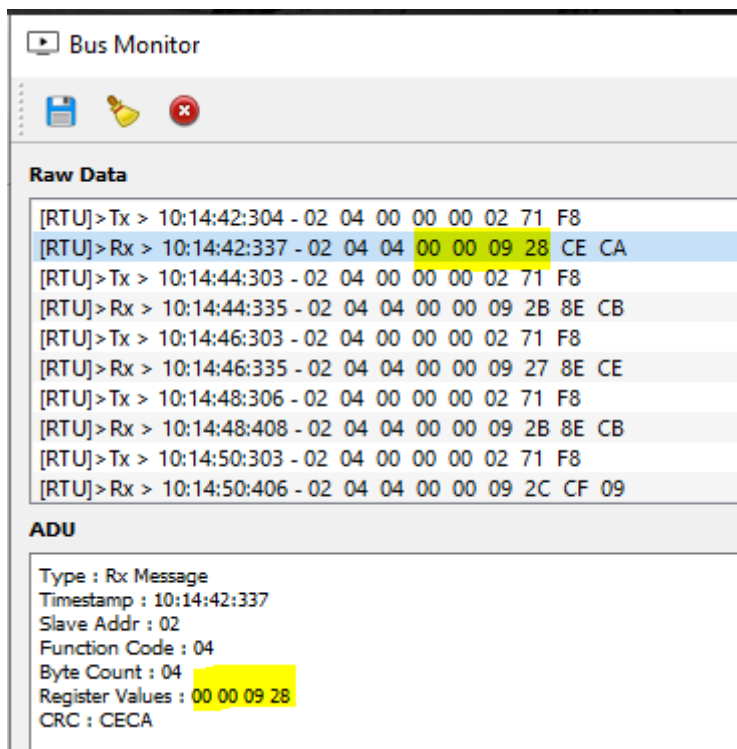
So the Modbus command is

02 04 00 00 00 02 71 F8

And this will be the right poll task

AT+ADDPOLL=1:02040000000271F8

And the answer is



02 04 04 00 00 09 28 CE CA

28Hex is 40 in decimal

Yes since $9 \times 256 + 40 = 2344$ Volts (The difference is due to precision on the readings)

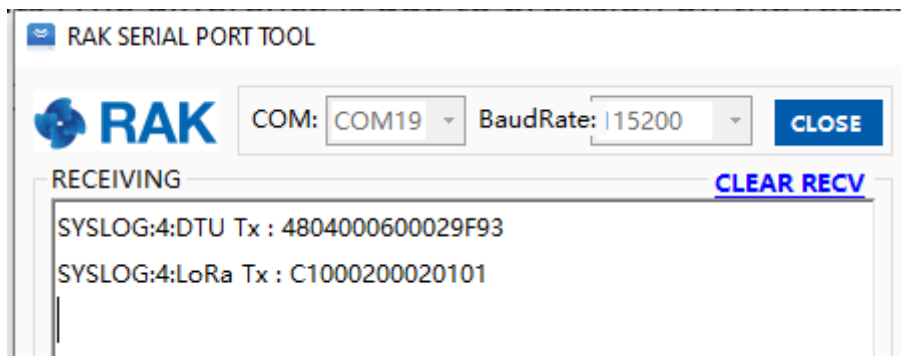
Now let's transmit these info thru LoRaWAN

Configuring RAK7431 to send the readings

Let's use the serial software tool and the USB connection

First we check for any configured POLL instruction

Since there is a Poll running

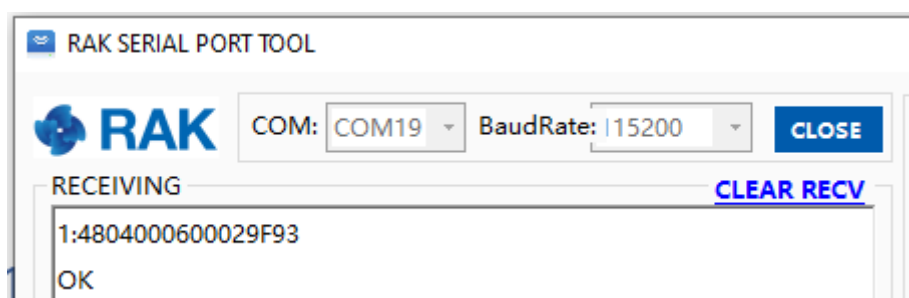


According to the AT commands manual

<https://docs.rakwireless.com/Product-Categories/WisNode/RAK7431/AT-Command-Manual/#data-interface-commands>

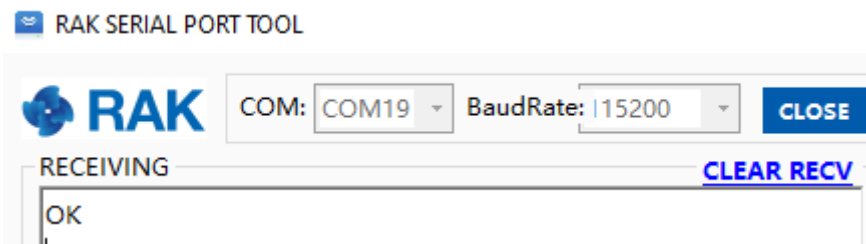
13. AT+POLLTASK

There was only one Poll task



Let's remove it

AT+RMPOLL=1



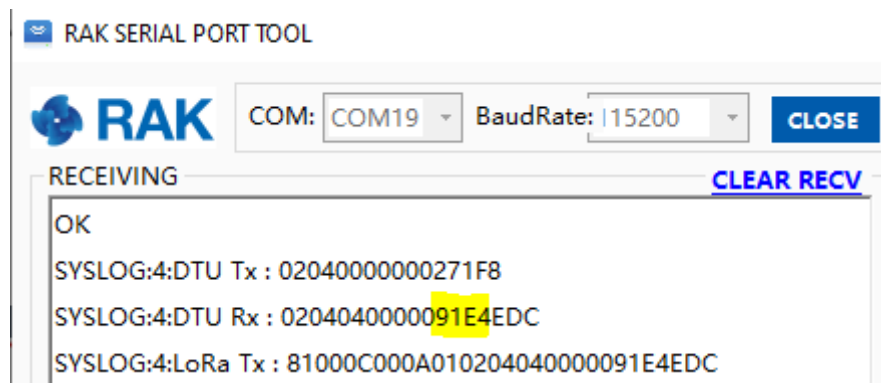
13. AT+POLLTASK

Now we add a new POLL task to measure Voltage

And this will be the right poll task according to the previous chapter

AT+ADDPOLL=1:02040000000271F8

We are not in transparent mode



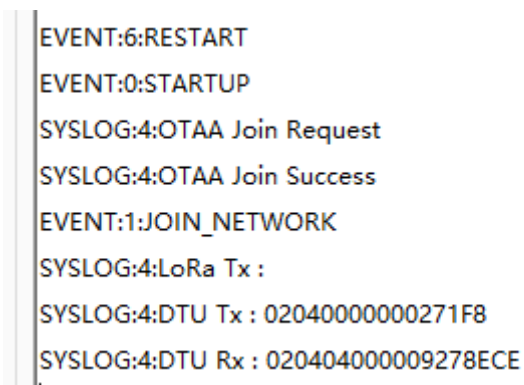
So we get the reading from Leakage Device, and this is 9 1E

1E Hex is 30

So $(9 \times 256 + 30) / 10 = 233,4$ Volts!


It is transmitting thru LoRa but there is no gateway available.

Let's connect gateway



Let's go to the ttn v3 console

<https://eu1.cloud.thethings.network/>

**87654321**
ID: 87654321

Last seen 5 seconds ago ↑ 4 ↓ 3

Created 4 days ago

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General information

End device ID: 87654321

Description: This end device has no description

Created at: Feb 13, 2021 19:46:13

Hardware

Brand: rakwireless

Model: rak7431

Hardware version: 1.0

Firmware version: 1.2.0

Live data See all activity →

11:00:45 Successfully scheduled data downlink for transmission on Gate

11:00:45 Schedule data downlink for transmission on Gateway Server Dev


11:00:44 Forward data message to Application Server DevAddr: 26 0B 37

11:00:44 Forward uplink data message DevAddr: 26 0B 37 44 Payload: {

11:00:44 Receive uplink data message DevAddr: 26 0B 37 44

11:00:44 Successfully processed data message DevAddr: 26 0B 37 44 FF

Location Change location settings →



↑ 11:07:04 87654321 Forward uplink data message DevAddr: 26 0B 37 44 Payload: { 81 00 12 00 0A 01 02 04 04 00 00 09 35 0E C6 FPort: 1 SNR: 3 Bandwidth: 125000

DevAddr: 26 0B 37 44 Payload: { } 81 00 14 00 0A 01 02 04 04 00 00 09 35 0E C3 FPort: 1

Let's take a look at the payload decoder

Uplink payload formatters

These payload formatters are executed on uplink messages from all end devices in this application. Note: end device level payload

Formatter type

☐ None ☒ Javascript ☐ GRPC service ☐ CayenneLPP ☐ Repository

Formatter parameter*

```
1 function Decoder(bytes, port) {
2   // Decode an uplink message from a buffer
3   // (array) of bytes to an object of fields.
4   var decoded = {};
5
6   decoded.voltage_phase1 = (bytes[11]*256+bytes[12])/10;
7   //if (port === 2) decoded.power_phase1_watts = bytes[5]*256+bytes[6];
8   //if (port === 2) decoded.current_phase1_Ampere = (bytes[7]*256+bytes[8])/1000;
9   //if (port === 2) decoded.energy_phase1_KWh = (bytes[10]*65535+bytes[11]*256+bytes[12])/1000;
10
11
12   return decoded;
13 }
```

Save changes

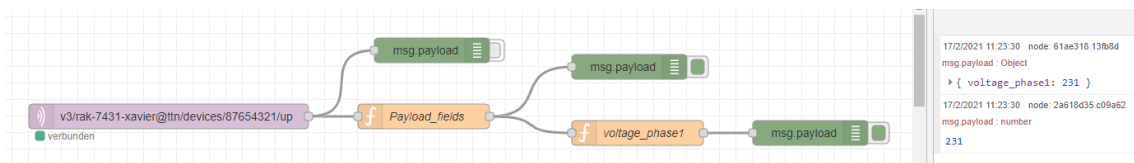
If we were on transparent mode, then we will have to choose another byte position on the payload decoder

DevAddr: 26 0B 37 44 Payload: { voltage_phase1: 231.2 } 81 00 2B 00 0A 01 02 04 04 00 00 09 08 CF 12 FPort: 1

So we are sending the voltage thru LoRa

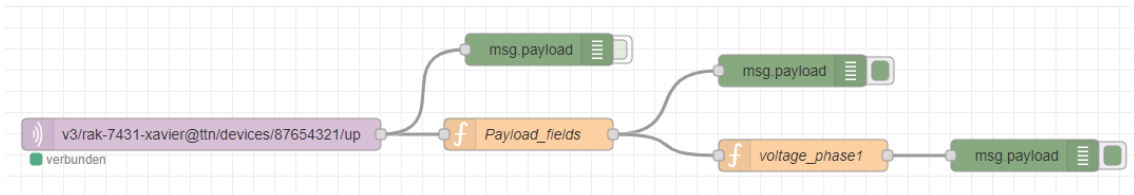
NODE-RED INTEGRATION

Now let's go to the Node-RED Integration



You can find the code here

<https://github.com/xavierflorensa/RAK-7431-CIRCUTOR-RECmaxCVM>



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⚙ Properties

⚙

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🌐 Server

eu1.cloud.thethings.network:1883

✎

📄 Topic

v3/rak-7431-xavier@ttn/devices/87654321/up

⚙ QoS

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➡ Output

auto-detect (string or buffer)

▼

🔖 Name

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Name

Verbindung

Sicherheit

Nachrichten

🌐 Server

eu1.cloud.thethings.network

Port

1883

☐ Sichere Verbindung (SSL/TLS) aktivieren

🔖 Client-ID

Leerer Wert für automatische Generierung

🕒 Keepalive-Zeit (en)

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☒ Bereinigte Sitzung verwenden

☐ Traditionelle MQTT 3.1-Unterstützung verwenden

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Name

VerbindungSicherheitNachrichten

👤

Benutzername

rak-7431-xavier

🔒

Kennwort

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function Node bearbeiten

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Payload_fields

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SetupFunktionClose

1

var msg1 = { payload: msg.payload.length };

2

msg1.payload = JSON.parse(msg.payload);

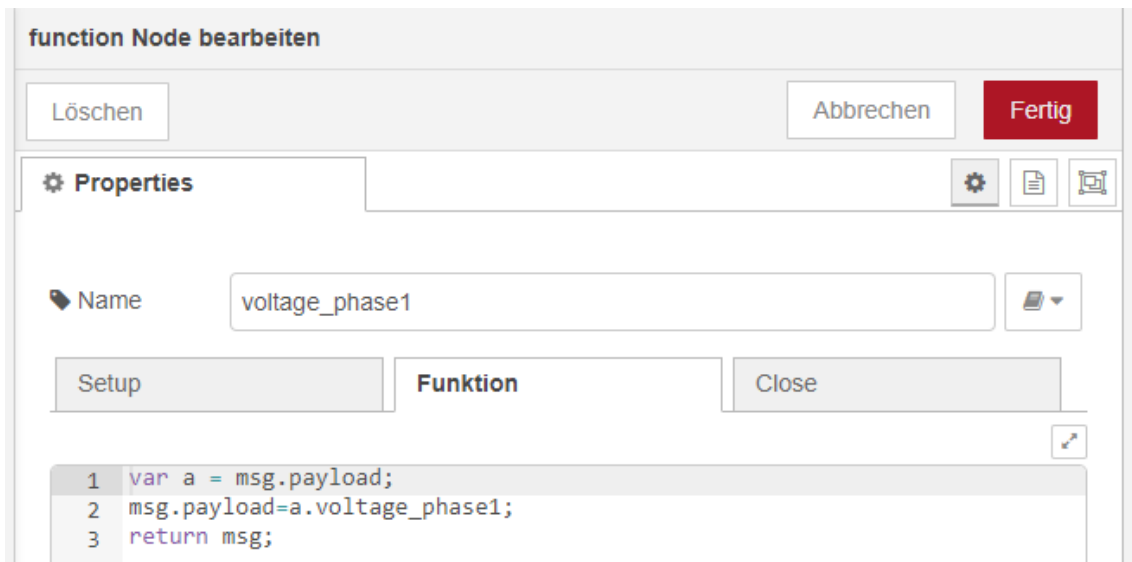
3

msg1.payload = msg1.payload.uplink_message.decoded_payload;

4

5

return msg1;



```
17/2/2021 11:23:30 node: 61ae318.13fb8d
msg.payload : Object
  ▶ { voltage_phase1: 231 }

17/2/2021 11:23:30 node: 2a618d35.c09a62
msg.payload : number
231

17/2/2021 11:23:56 node: 61ae318.13fb8d
msg.payload : Object
  ▶ { voltage_phase1: 231.3 }

17/2/2021 11:23:56 node: 2a618d35.c09a62
msg.payload : number
231.3

17/2/2021 11:24:21 node: 61ae318.13fb8d
msg.payload : Object
  ▶ { voltage_phase1: 230.7 }

17/2/2021 11:24:21 node: 2a618d35.c09a62
msg.payload : number
230.7
```

DOWNLINK TO REMOTELY OPEN CLOSE THE CIRCUIT BREAKER

Now let's try the downlink to open/close then circuit breaker remotely thru LoRaWAN

First of all, we go back to the PC-circuit breaker connection



Opening circuit breaker

7.3.11.13. Trip and reset of the device

The **Function 0x10** is implemented for this variable.
This variable allows you to read or force the working mode of the device.

Table 50:Modbus memory map: Trip and reset of the device

| Trip or reset of the device | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|---|---------------|
| Configuration variable | Address | Valid data margin | Default value |
| Trip or reset of the device | C3AC | 1: Trip 2: Reset 3: Reset of the device | 0 |

First of all, it is worth to know that RECMAX CVM is designed to give preference to protection first and on a second priority to Communications.

So if you want to get a reliable open/close control you have to first raise a flag before performing the open/close.

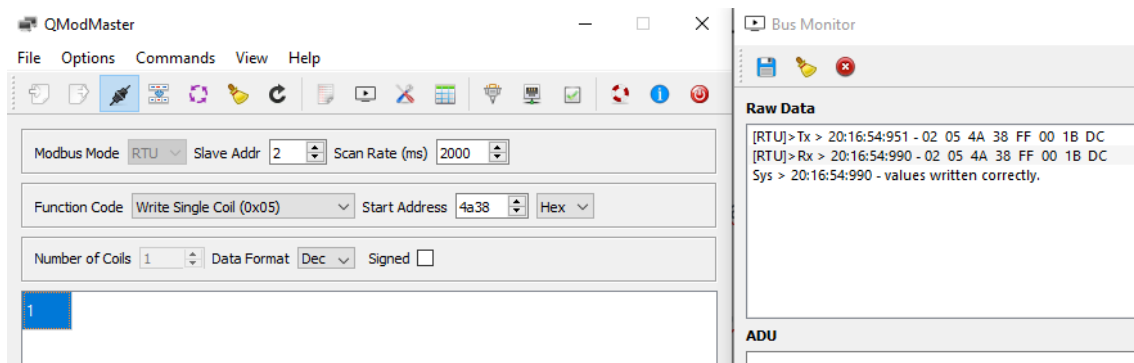
Then you can lower the flag after the open/close to give priority to protection.

Setting up the communication priority Flag

You have to use function 5 to write a 1 on address [0x4A38](#)


If you want to reset the flag you have to repeat same operation: (use function 5 to write a 1 on address [0x4A38](#))

For instance:



If you want to do this with a downlink, just do it this way:

020001000802054A38FF001BDC

**87654321**
ID: 87654321

Last seen 11 seconds ago

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Overview

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Uplink

Downlink

Schedule downlink

Insert Mode

☐ Replace downlink queue

☒ Push to downlink queue (append)

FPort *

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Payload

02 00 01 00 08 02 05 4A 38 FF 00 1B DC

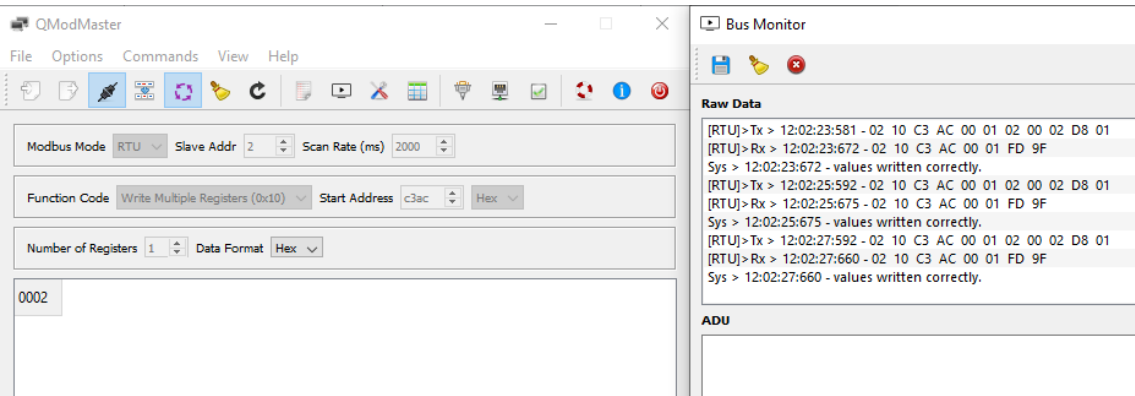
The desired payload bytes of the downlink message

☐ Confirmed downlink

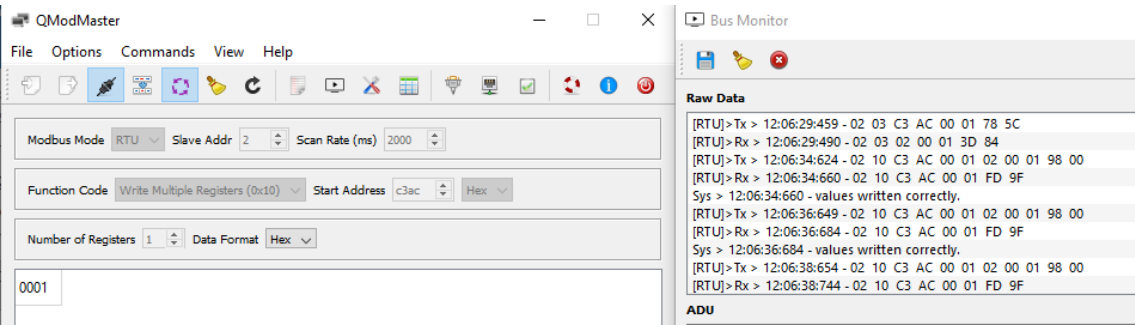
Schedule downlink

After powering REC MAX CVM off this flag is reset.

Closing circuit breaker



Opening circuit breaker



Let's try with a downlink

Opening circuit breaker

```
Type : Tx Message
Timestamp : 12:40:03:986
Slave Addr : 02
Function Code : 10
Starting Address : C3AC
Quantity of Registers : 0001
Byte Count : 02
Output Values : 00 01
CRC : 9800
```

0210C3AC00010200019800

The right downlink would be

and the number of bytes should be in Hex (11 bytes of Modbus message in Hex is 000B)

020001000B0210C3AC00010200019800

Success

```
SYSLOG:4:DTU Rx : 020404000008B50EF3
SYSLOG:4:LoRa Tx : 810052000A01020404000008B50EF3
SYSLOG:4:DTU Tx : 02040000000271F8
SYSLOG:4:DTU Rx : 020404000008B64EF2
SYSLOG:4:LoRa Tx : 810053000A01020404000008B64EF2
SYSLOG:4:LoRa Rx : 020001000B0210C3AC00010200019800
SYSLOG:4:DTU Tx : 0210C3AC00010200019800
SYSLOG:4:DTU Rx : 0210C3AC0001FD9F
SYSLOG:4:LoRa Tx : 82000100080210C3AC0001FD9F
SYSLOG:4:DTU Tx : 02040000000271F8
SYSLOG:4:DTU Rx : 020404000008B8CF36
SYSLOG:4:LoRa Tx : 810054000A01020404000008B8CF36
||
```



87654321

ID: 87654321

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- ☐ Replace downlink queue
- ☒ Push to downlink queue (append)

FPort*

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Payload

020001000B0210C3AC00010200019800

The desired payload bytes of the downlink message

- ☐ Confirmed downlink

Schedule downlink

Closing circuit breaker

```
Type : Tx Message
Timestamp : 12:48:51:502
Slave Addr : 02
Function Code : 10
Starting Address : C3AC
Quantity of Registers : 0001
Byte Count : 02
Output Values : 00 02
CRC : D801
```

Modbus

0210C3AC0001020002D801

The right downlink would be

020001000B0210C3AC0001020002D801

Success

SYSLOG:4:LoRa Tx : 81005B000A01020404000008BD0F35

SYSLOG:4:DTU Tx : 02040000000271F8

SYSLOG:4:DTU Rx : 020404000008BCCEF5

SYSLOG:4:LoRa Tx : 81005C000A01020404000008BCCEF5

SYSLOG:4:LoRa Rx : 020001000B0210C3AC0001020002D801

SYSLOG:4:DTU Tx : 0210C3AC0001020002D801

SYSLOG:4:DTU Rx : 0210C3AC0001FD9F

SYSLOG:4:LoRa Tx : 82000100080210C3AC0001FD9F

SYSLOG:4:DTU Tx : 02040000000271F8

SYSLOG:4:DTU Rx : 020404000008B8CF36



87654321

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Payload fc

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Schedule downlink

Insert Mode

- ☐ Replace downlink queue
- ☒ Push to downlink queue (append)

FPort ^{*}

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Payload

020001000B0210C3AC0001020002D801

The desired payload bytes of the downlink message

- ☐ Confirmed downlink

Schedule downlink

Downlink Message FPort Definition

| FPort | Message Type | Note |
|---------|--|----------|
| 1 ~ 128 | Reserved | not used |
| 129 | Non-transparent mode, remote instruction | |
| 130 | RS485/232 downlink data sent remotely in transparent transmission mode | |

We should receive a reponse message like

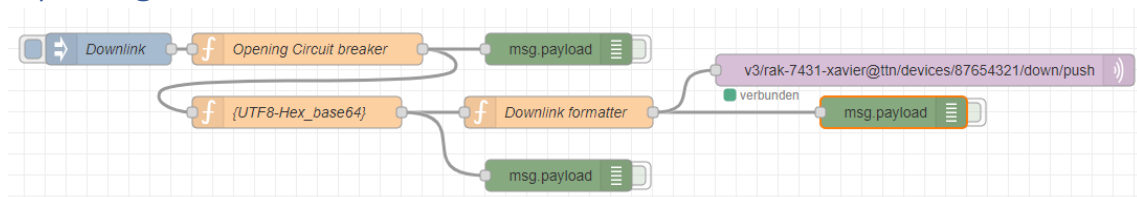
- Uplink data message format when execution successful:

| DTU_CMD | MSER | MDATA_LEN | MDATA |
|---------|-------|-----------|-------|
| 0x82 | 2Byte | 2Byte | DATA |
| | | | nByte |

Let's try with Node-RED

Downlink with Node-RED

Opening circuit breaker with Node-RED



SYSLOG:4:LoRa Rx : 020001000B0210C3AC00010200019800

SYSLOG:4:DTU Tx : 0210C3AC00010200019800

SYSLOG:4:DTU Rx : 0210C3AC0001FD9F

SYSLOG:4:LoRa Tx : 82000100080210C3AC0001FD9F

Success

function Node bearbeiten

Löschen

Properties

Name

Setup

Funktion

Close

```
1 var b = new Buffer(4);
2 b=[0x02,0x00,0x01,0x00,0x0B,0x02,0x10,0xC3,0xAC,0x00,0x01,0x02,0x00,0x01,0x98,0x00];
3 msg.payload = b;
4 return msg;
```

function Node bearbeiten

Löschen

Properties

Name

Setup

Funktion

```
1 var b = new Buffer(msg.payload);
2 msg.payload = b.toString('base64');
3 return msg;
```

function Node bearbeiten

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Name

Downlink formatter

Setup

Funktion

```
1 var payloadB64 =msg.payload;
2 msg.payload = {
3   "downlinks": [{
4     "f_port": 129,
5     "frm_payload": payloadB64,
6     "priority": "NORMAL"
7   }]
8 }
9 return msg;
```

mqtt out Node bearbeiten

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Properties

Server

eu1.cloud.thethings.network:1883

Topic

v3/rak-7431-xavier@ttn/devices/87654321/down/push

QoS

Retain

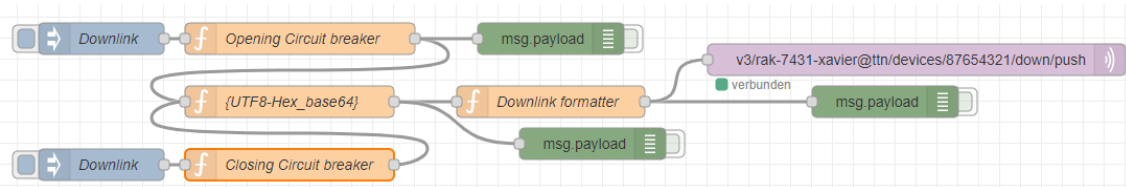
Name

Name

Downlink to close Circuit breaker with Node-RED

SYSLOG:4:LoRa Rx : 020001000B0210C3AC0001020002D801
SYSLOG:4:DTU Tx : 0210C3AC0001020002D801
SYSLOG:4:DTU Rx : 0210C3AC0001FD9F
SYSLOG:4:LoRa Tx : 82000100080210C3AC0001FD9F

Success



function Node bearbeiten

Löschen

Properties

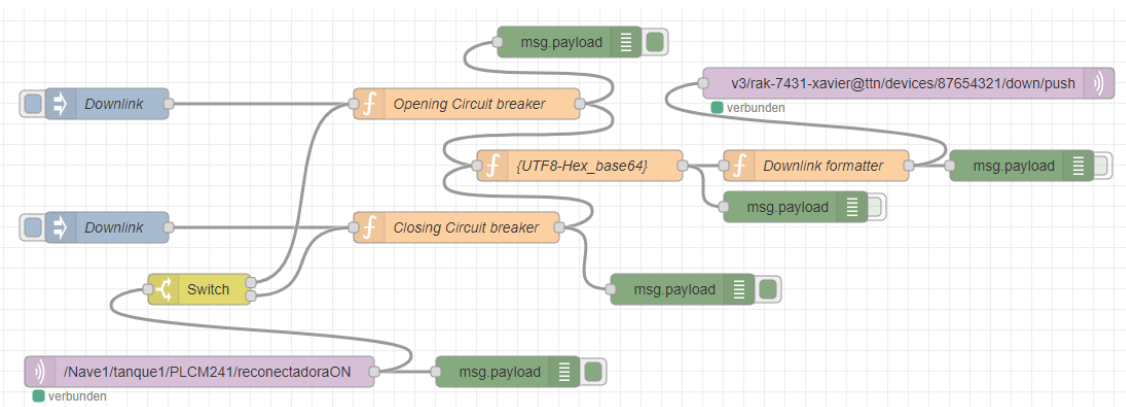
Name: Closing Circuit breaker

Setup Funktion Close

```
1 var b = new Buffer(4);
2 b=[0x02,0x00,0x01,0x00,0x0B,0x02,0x10,0xC3,0xAC,0x00,0x01,0x02,0x00,0x02,0xD8,0x01];
3 msg.payload = b;
4 return msg;
```

Now Let's use the Mobile phone to open and close te circuit

Opening and closing with MQTT Thru IoT OnOff



You can find the code here:

<https://github.com/xavierflorensa/RAK-7431-CIRCUTOR-RECmaxCVM/blob/main/node-red%20flow%20rak%207431%20RECMaxCVM%20ttn%20IoT%20ON%20OFF.txt>

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📶 Server 🔧

📄 Topic

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📡 Output ▼

🏷️ Name

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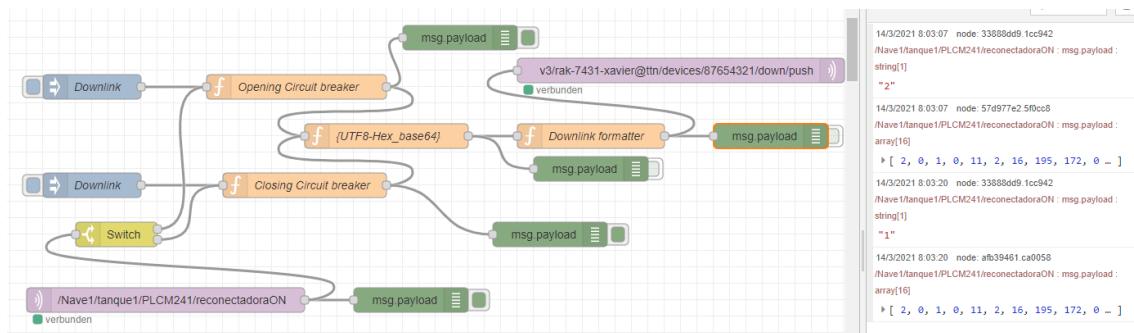
⋮ Eigenschaft

≡
==
▼
a_z

→ 1
✕

≡
==
▼
a_z

→ 2
✕



Debugging

Alle Nodes

14/3/2021 8:03:07 node: 33888dd9.1cc942

/Nave1/tanque1/PLCM241/reconectadoraON : msg.payload :
string[1]
"2"

14/3/2021 8:03:07 node: 57d977e2.5f0cc8

/Nave1/tanque1/PLCM241/reconectadoraON : msg.payload :
array[16]
▶ [2, 0, 1, 0, 11, 2, 16, 195, 172, 0 ...]

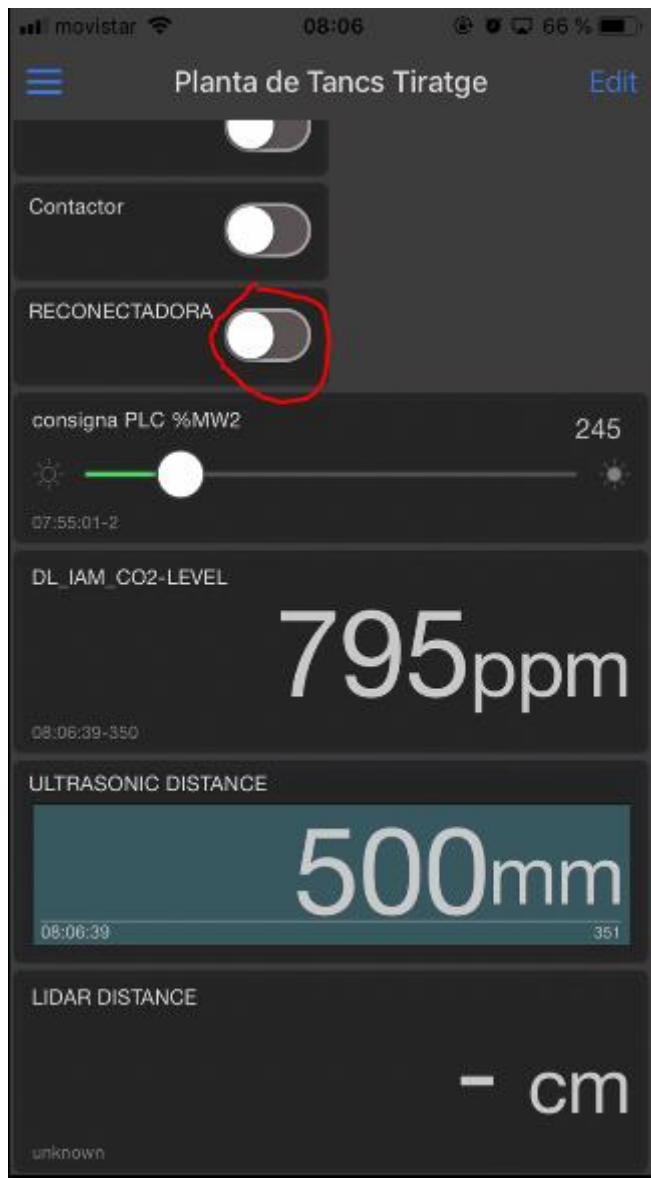
14/3/2021 8:03:20 node: 33888dd9.1cc942

/Nave1/tanque1/PLCM241/reconectadoraON : msg.payload :
string[1]
"1"

14/3/2021 8:03:20 node: afb39461.ca0058

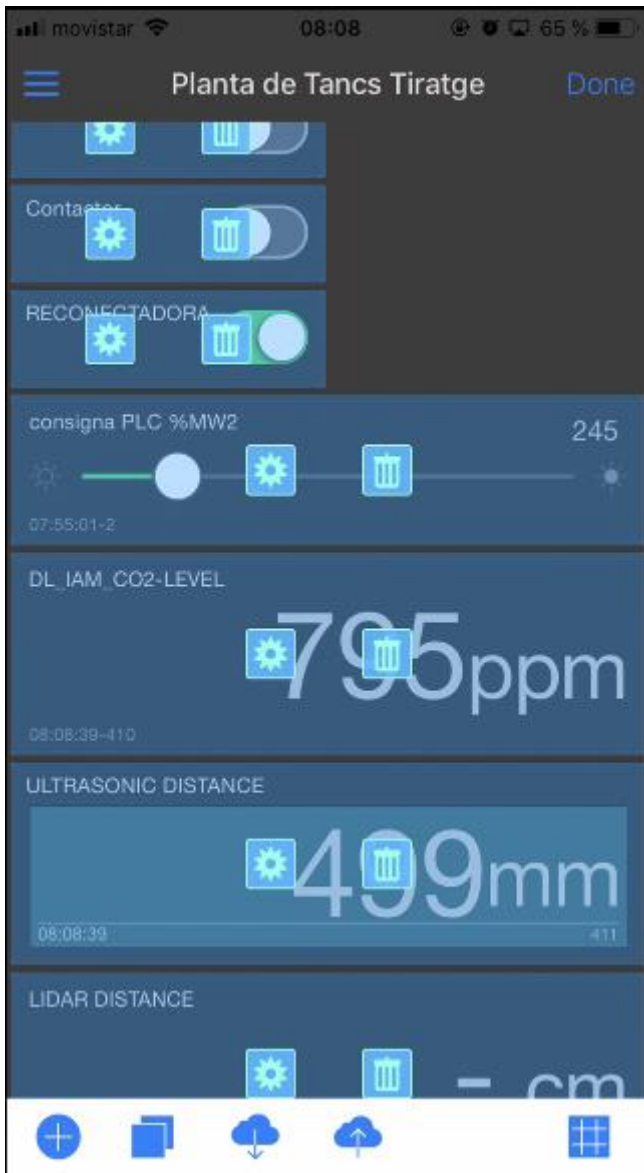
/Nave1/tanque1/PLCM241/reconectadoraON : msg.payload :
array[16]
▶ [2, 0, 1, 0, 11, 2, 16, 195, 172, 0 ...]

To open circuit breaker



To close circuit breaker





movistar

08:09

65 %

Back

Edit switch

Ready

Name

RECONECTADORA

MQTT

Subscribe

>

Publish

>

SUBSCRIBE VALUES

☒ True

1

☐ False

0

Compare will be done in uppercase.

PUBLISH VALUES

☒ True

2

☐ False

1

movistar


08:10

65 %

Back


Publish

Ready


 Allow publish

☒

If publish is allowed, the widget is able to change value, otherwise it behaves as read-only.

 Topic /Nave1/tanque1/PLCM241/reconectadora string


A topic string is a character string that identifies the topic of a publish message. It is a best practices to start a topic string with the device name (see use prefix device name). These characters (+, #, *, ?) only have special meaning when used by a subscription topic filter and are not allowed in a topic string.

 Prefix device name

☐


If prefix is used, the device name and a '/' are set in front of the topic.

ADVANCED

 Retained

☐

A retained message will inform the broker to store the latest message for a topic. If new clients are subscribing for that topic, they will receive this latest stored message immediately.

 QoS

At most once

AT MOST ONCE, the message is delivered at most once, or it is not delivered at all. It is sometimes called "fire and forget". If values are changing fast, this is the preferred QoS and has the lowest performance impact.

Subscribe: RECONECTADORA

/Nave1/tanque1/PLCM241/reconectadoraON

/ + # * ?

/Nave1/tanque1/PLCM241/reconectadoraON



As you can see on this video

[REC MAX CVM RAK 7431 to trip circuit breaker with TTN](#)

