

BACnet: Cyclic Reading of a Property

Hardware

- [Raspberry Pi](#) as a BACnet server (provides data points)
- [CODESYS Control Win V3](#) as a BACnet client (cyclic reading of the data points)

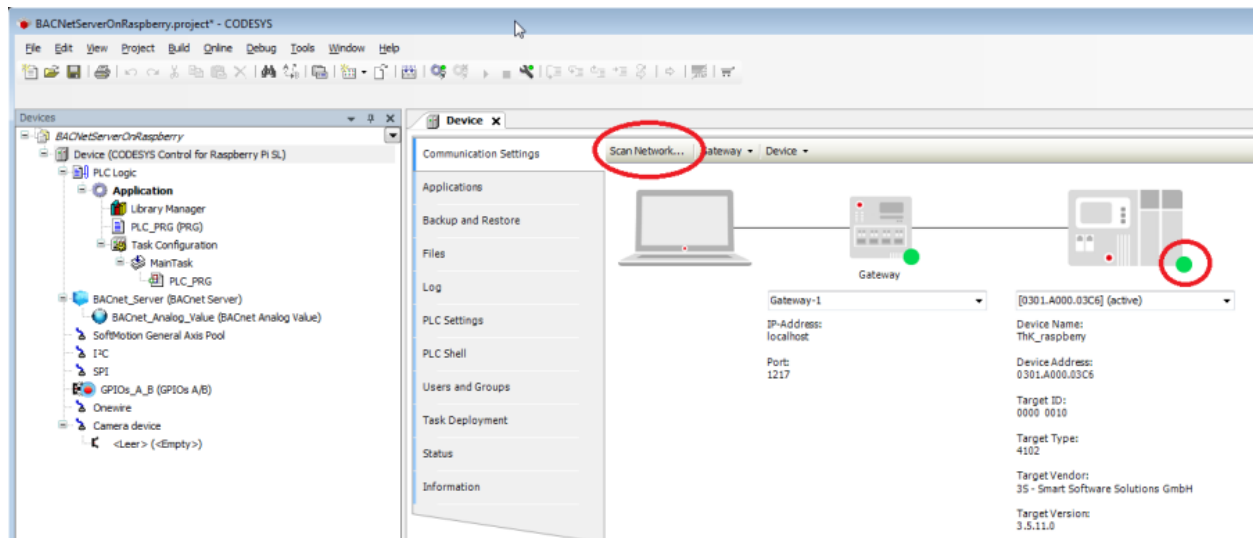
Requirements for the server and client

Check that the following entries are present in the file [CODESYSControl.cfg](#).

- Including the BACnet component:
[ComponentManager]
Component.[n+1]=CmpBACnet
- Including the INI file of the BACnet stack (pay attention to the syntax):
[CmpBACnet]
IniFile=bacstacd.ini

Requirements for the BACnet server

- Create a "Standard project" and select "CODESYS Control Raspberry Pi SL" as the device.
- Define the target system by means of the [Network scan](#).



- Insert a "BACnet Server" and a "BACnet Analog Value" object in the device tree:

Within a device, every instance of a BACnet object type (BACnet Analog Value, BACnet Binary Value, etc.) receives a unique ID. This remains unchanged here as the value "1".

Parameter	Type	Value	Default Value	Unit	Description
AckedTransitions	STRING	'000'	'000'		AckedTransitions
NotificationClass	UDINT	0	0		NotificationClass
COVIncrement	LREAL	0.0	0.0		COVIncrement
Deadband	LREAL	0.0	0.0		Deadband
Description	WSTRING(255)	'Description'	'Description'		Description
EventEnable	STRING	'111'	'111'		EventEnable
EventState	Enumeration of DINT	STATE_NORMAL	STATE_NORMAL		EventState
HighLimit	LREAL	1.0	1.0		HighLimit
LimitEnable	STRING	'11'	'11'		LimitEnable
LowLimit	LREAL	-1.0	-1.0		LowLimit
NotifyType	Enumeration of DINT	NOTIFY_TYPE_ALARM	NOTIFY_TYPE_ALARM		NotifyType
InstanceNumber	DWORD	1	1		InstanceNumber
InstanceName	WSTRING(255)	'AnalogValue'	'AnalogValue'		InstanceName
OutOfService	BOOL	FALSE	FALSE		OutOfService
PresentValue	LREAL	0.0	0.0		PresentValue
Reliability	Enumeration of DINT	RELIABILITY_NO_FAULT_DETECTED	RELIABILITY_NO_FAULT_DE...		Reliability
RelinquishDefault	LREAL	0.0	0.0		RelinquishDefault
StatusFlags	STRING	'0000'	'0000'		StatusFlags
TimeDelay	UDINT	0	0		TimeDelay
Units	Enumeration of DINT	UNIT_MILLIVOLTS	UNIT_MILLIVOLTS		Units
ProfileName	WSTRING(255)	'ProfileName'	'ProfileName'		ProfileName

Both the instance ID of the device and the instance ID of the object type are reused in the source code of the BACnet client.

- Adapt the "PLC_PRG" as follows:

```

PROGRAM PLC_PRG
VAR
    xSwitch      : BOOL;
    lrValue      : LREAL := 0.23;
END_VAR

// Numeric simulation
IF xSwitch then
    lrValue := lrValue + 0.01;
    IF lrValue >= 5.0 THEN
        xSwitch := False;
    END_IF
ELSE
    lrValue := lrValue - 0.01;
    IF lrValue <= -5.0 THEN
        xSwitch := True;
    END_IF
END_IF

BACnet_Analog_Value PresentValue := lrValue;
  
```

must be identical

```

VAR
    xSwitch      :   BOOL;
    lrValue      :   LREAL := 0.23;
END_VAR

```

Implementation

```

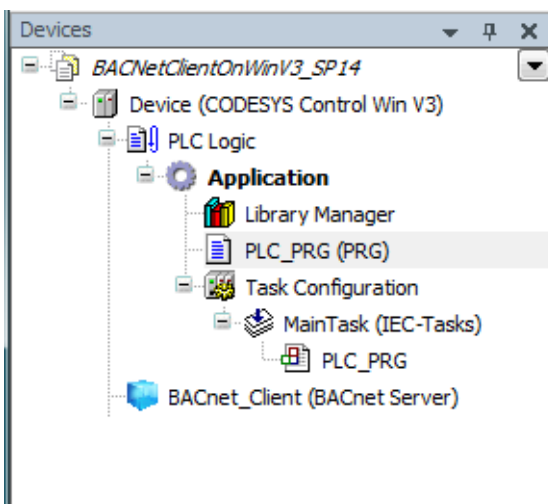
// Numeric simulation
IF xSwitch then
    lrValue := lrValue + 0.01;
    IF lrValue >= 5.0 THEN
        xSwitch := False;
    END_IF
ELSE
    lrValue := lrValue - 0.01;
    IF lrValue <= -5.0 THEN
        xSwitch := True;
    END_IF
END_IF

BACnet_Analog_Value.PresentValue := lrValue;

```

Requirements for the BACnet client (As of BACnet-Version 1.2.0.0)

- Create a "Standard project" and select "*CODESYS Control Win V3*" as the device.
- Define the target system by means of the network scan (see BACnet server).
- Insert a "BACnet Server" object and rename it to "BACnet_Client"



- Adapt the *PLC_PRG* POU as follows:

Declaration

```

VAR
    fbReadProperty      : BACnet.BACnetClientReadProperty;
    xReadExecute        : BOOL;
    lrReadValue          : LREAL;

    xInitDone           : BOOL := FALSE;
END_VAR

```

Implementation

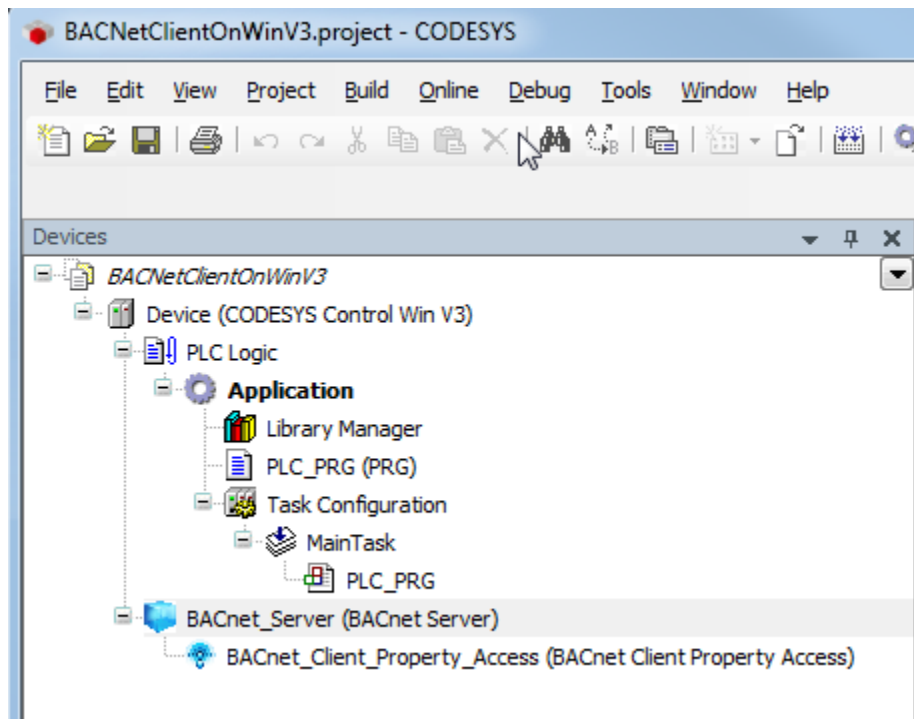
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IF NOT xInitDone THEN
    fbReadProperty.RegisterToServer(BACnet_Client);
    fbReadProperty(dwTargetDeviceNumber := 718,
                  objType := BACnet.CmpBACnet.IEC_BACNET_OBJECT_TYPE.
OBJ_ANALOG_VALUE, objInst := 1,
                  propID := BACnet.CmpBACnet.IEC_BACNET_PROPERTY_ID.
PROP_PRESENT_VALUE);
    xInitDone := TRUE;
ELSE
    fbReadProperty(xExecute := xReadExecute);
    IF fbReadProperty.xDone THEN
        xReadExecute := FALSE;
        lrReadValue := BACnet.GetRealFromContents(fbReadProperty.result);
    END_IF
END_IF

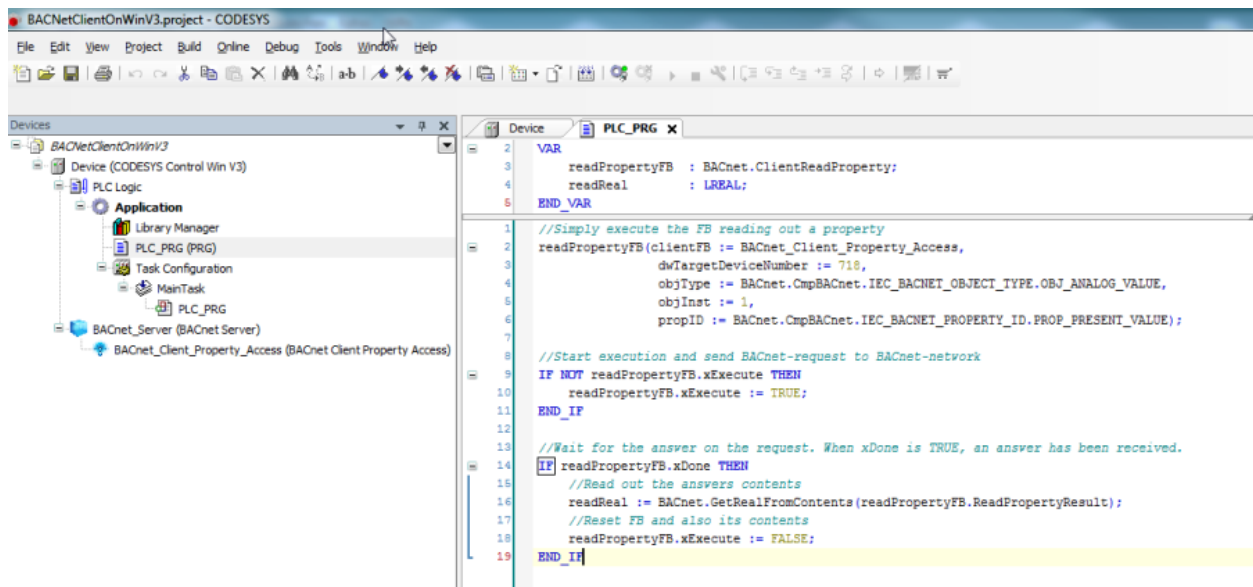
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Requirements for the BACnet client (Up to BACnet-Version 1.2.0.0)

- Create a "Standard project" and select "*CODESYS Control Win V3*" as the device.
- Define the target system by means of the network scan (see BACnet server).
- Insert a "BACnet Server" object and a "BACnet Client Property Access" object in the device tree.



- Adapt the "PLC_PRG" POU as follows:



Declaration

```
VAR
    readPropertyFB      : BACnet.ClientReadProperty;
    readReal             : LREAL;
END_VAR
```

Implementation

```
//Simply execute the FB reading out a property
readPropertyFB(clientFB := BACnet_Client_Property_Access,
    dwTargetDeviceNumber := 718,
    objType := BACnet.CmpBACnet.IEC_BACNET_OBJECT_TYPE.OBJ_ANALOG_VALUE,
    objInst := 1,
    propID := BACnet.CmpBACnet.IEC_BACNET_PROPERTY_ID.PROP_PRESENT_VALUE);

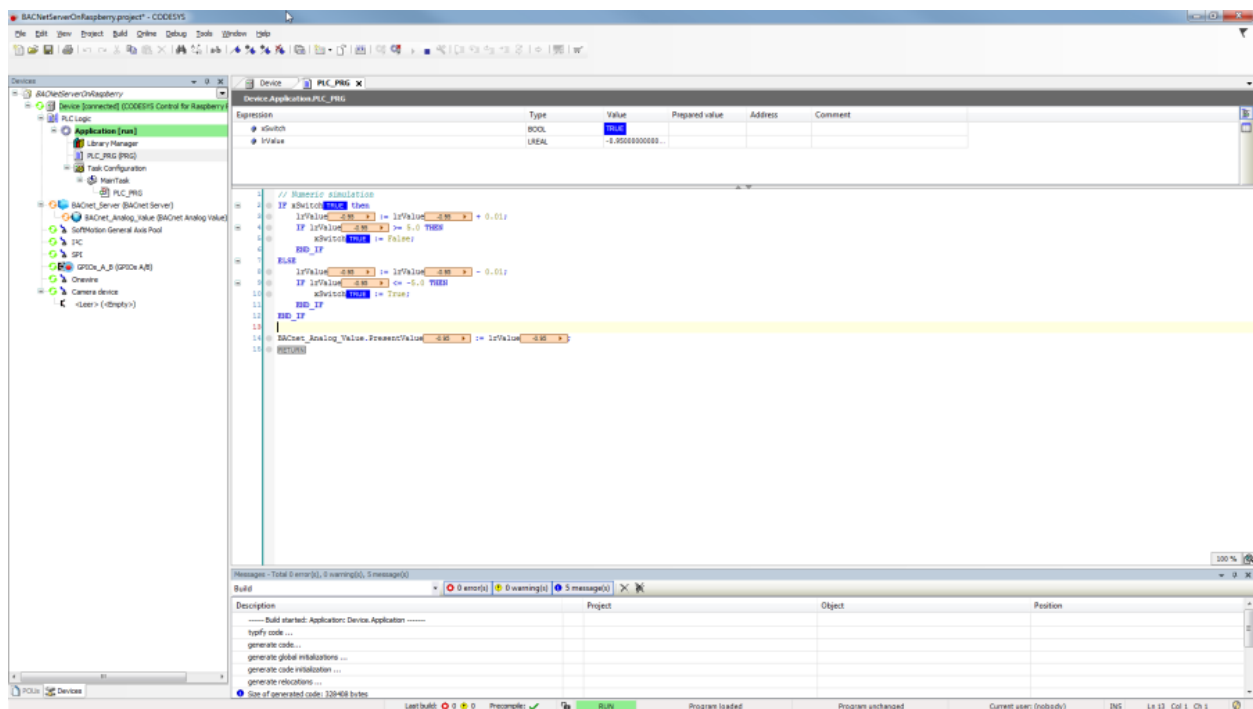
//Start execution and send BACnet-request to BACnet-network
IF NOT readPropertyFB.xExecute THEN
    readPropertyFB.xExecute := TRUE;
END_IF

//Wait for the answer on the request. When xDone is TRUE, an answer has been received.
IF readPropertyFB.xDone THEN
    //Read out the answers contents
    readReal := BACnet.GetRealFromContents(readPropertyFB.ReadPropertyResult);
    //Reset FB and also its contents
    readPropertyFB.xExecute := FALSE;
END_IF
```

Downloading and starting the projects

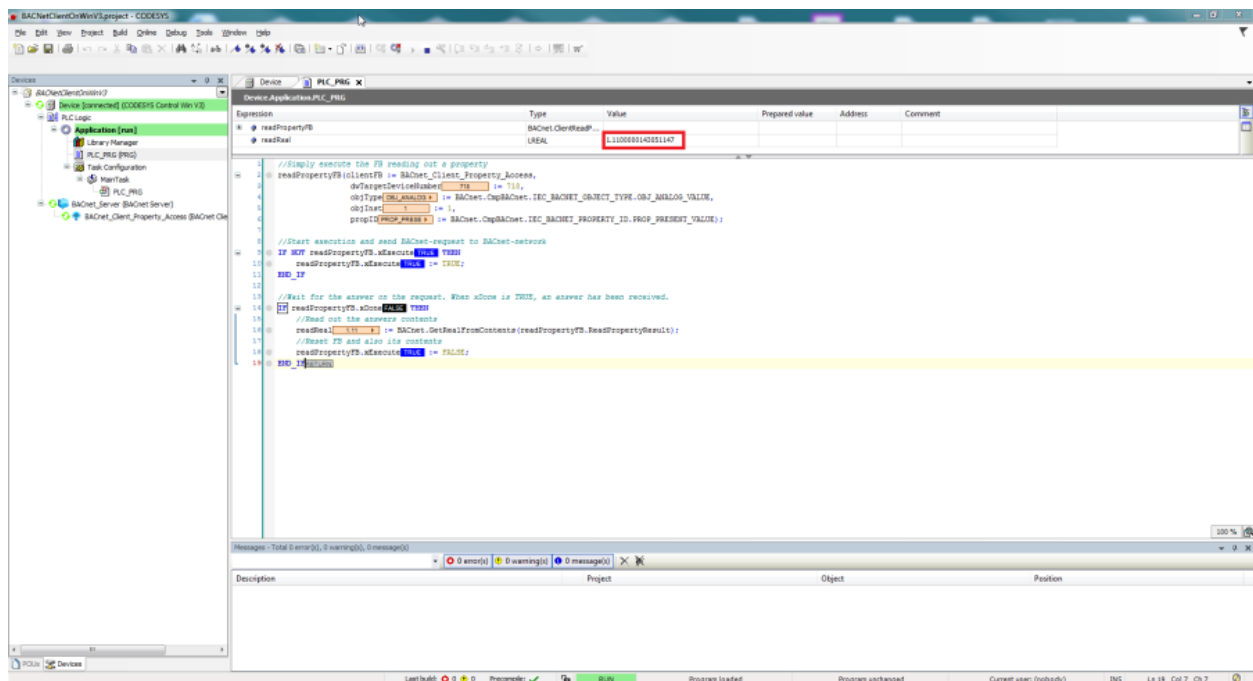
BACnet server

- Download the application to the PLC.



BACnet client

- Download the application to the PLC.



Reading a device property

If for example general properties of the device be read, then you have to pay attention that the ID of the device number agrees with the object instance. Example: Reading the revision number of the firmware:

Implement
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```
readPropertyFB(xExecute := xExecute,  
               clientFB := BACnet_Client_Property_Access,  
               dwTargetDeviceNumber := 718,  
               objType := BACnet.CmpBACnet.IEC_BACNET_OBJECT_TYPE.OBJ_DEVICE,  
               objInst := 718,  
               propID := BACnet.CmpBACnet.IEC_BACNET_PROPERTY_ID.PROP_FIRMWARE_REVISION);
```