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on a Website in 90 Minutes Using
Adobe Launch

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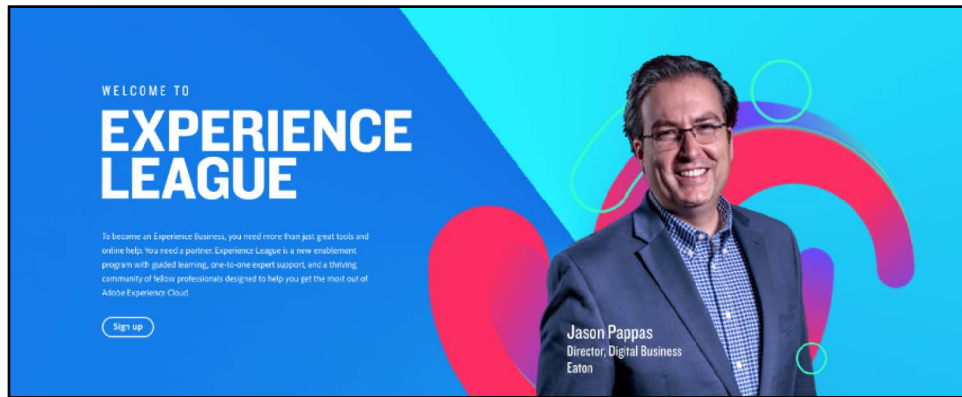
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Overview

Implementing the Experience Cloud in Websites with Launch is the perfect starting point for front-end developers or technical marketers who want to learn how to implement the Adobe Experience Cloud solutions on their website.

Each lesson contains how-to exercises and foundational information to help you implement the Experience Cloud and understand its value. Callouts are provided to highlight information which might be useful to customers migrating from our older tag manager - Dynamic Tag Management. Demo sites are provided for you to complete the tutorial, so you can learn the underlying techniques in a safe environment. After completing this tutorial, you should be ready to start implementing all of your marketing solutions through Launch on your own website.

Key Takeaways

1. Create a Launch Property
2. Install a Launch Property on a website
3. Add the following Adobe Experience Cloud solutions:
 - [Experience Cloud ID Service](#)
 - [Adobe Target](#)
 - [Adobe Analytics](#)
 - [Adobe Audience Manager](#)
4. Create rules and data elements to send data to the Adobe solutions
5. Validate the implementation using the Adobe Experience Cloud Debugger
6. Publish changes in Launch through development, staging, and production environments

Prerequisites

In these lessons, it is assumed that you have an Adobe Id and the required permissions to complete the exercises. If not, you may need to reach out to your Experience Cloud Administrator to request access.

- For Launch, you must have permission to Develop, Approve, Publish, Manage Extensions, and Manage Environments. For more information on Launch permissions, see [the documentation](#).
- For Adobe Analytics, you must know your tracking server and which report suites you will use to complete this tutorial
- For Audience Manager, you must know your Audience Manager Subdomain (also known as the "Partner Name" "Partner ID," or "Partner Subdomain")

Lesson 1 - Create a Launch Property

Learning Objectives


In this lesson, you will create your first Launch property.

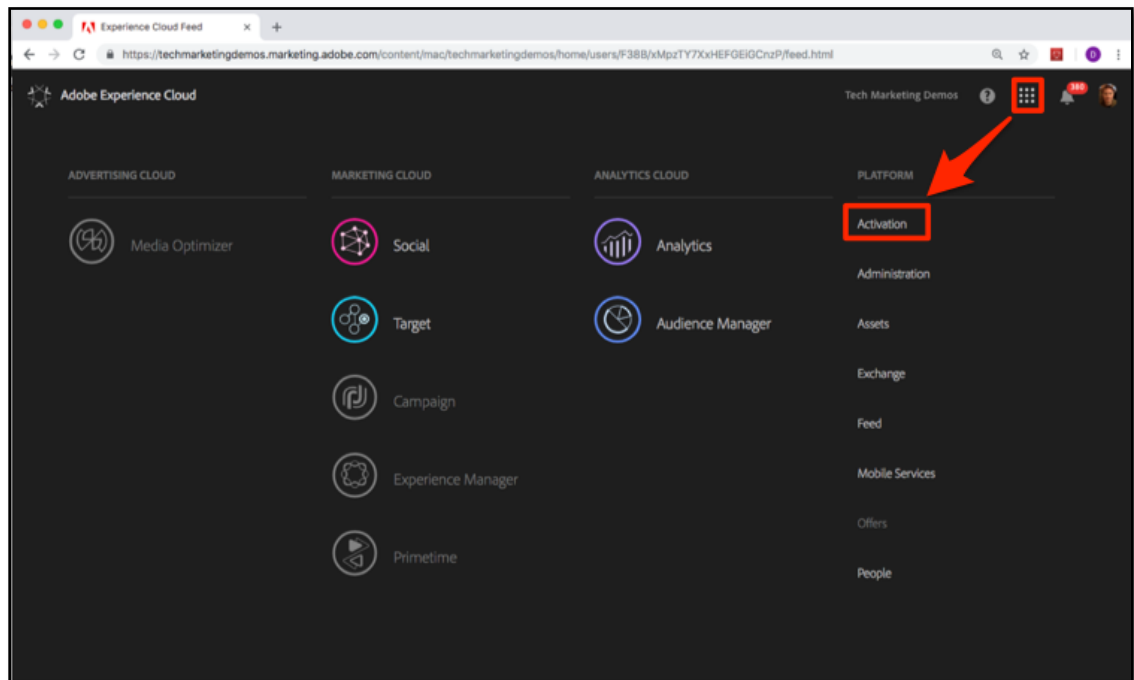
A property is basically a container that you fill with extensions, rules, data elements, and libraries as you deploy tags to your site.

At the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

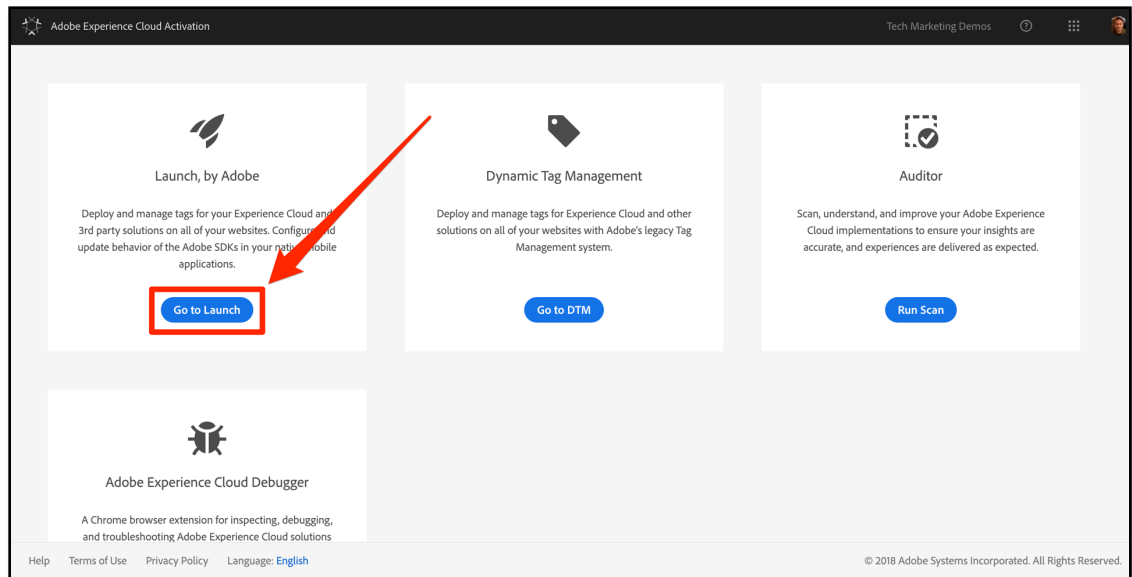
- Log into the Launch user interface
- Create a new Launch property
- Configure a Launch property

Exercise 1.1: Go to Launch

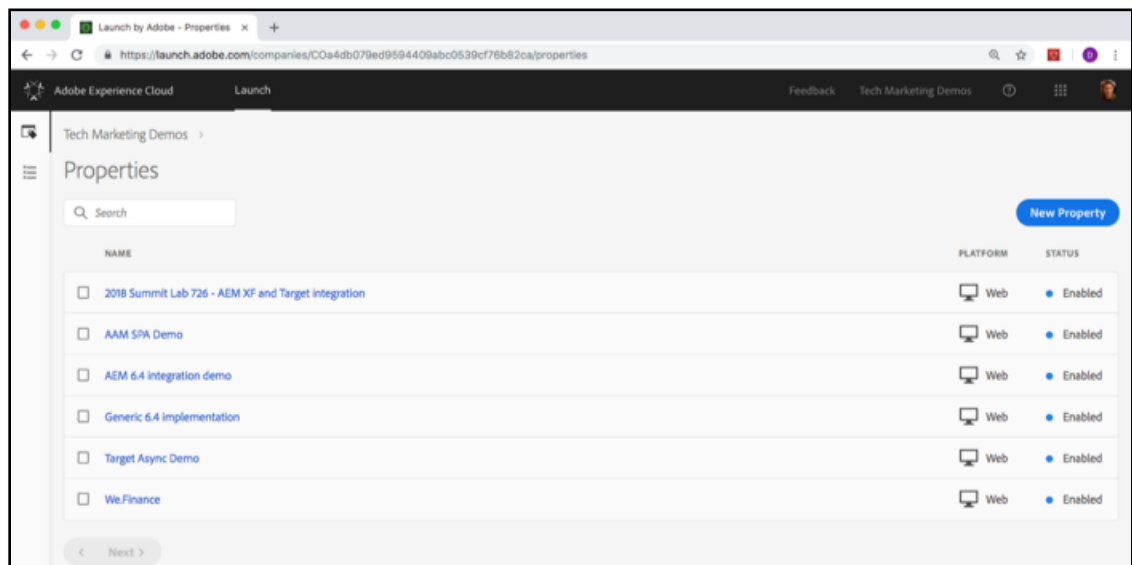
1. Log into the [Adobe Experience Cloud](https://experiencecloud.adobe.com) at <https://experiencecloud.adobe.com>
2. Click the  icon to open the solution switcher
3. Select **[Activation]** from the menu



4. Under [Launch, by Adobe], click the [Go to Launch] button



5. You should now see the *Properties* screen (if no properties have ever been created in the account, this screen might be empty):

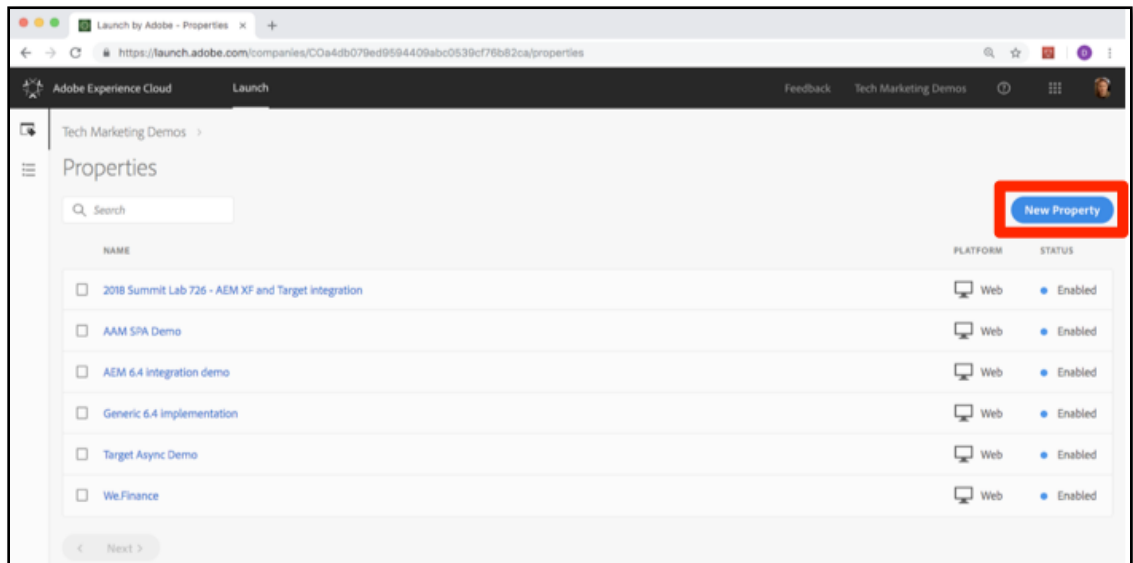


6. If you use Launch frequently, you can also bookmark the following URL and log in directly <https://launch.adobe.com>

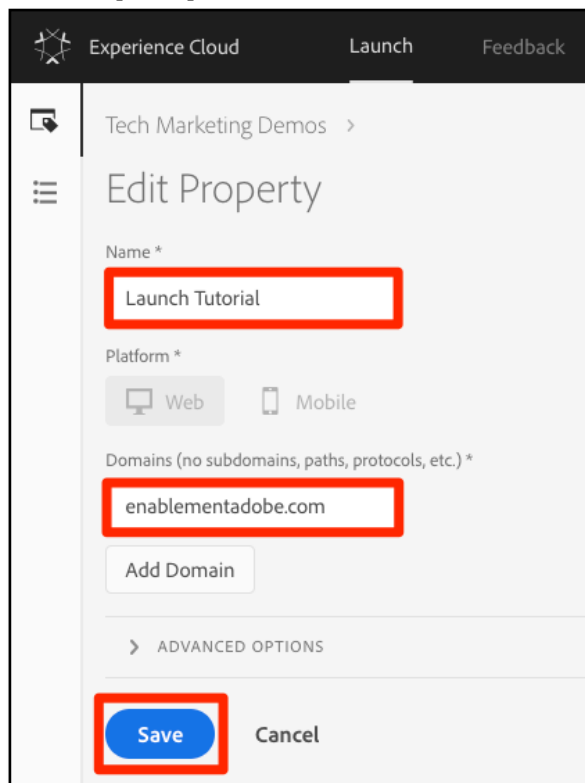
Exercise 1.2: Create a Property

A property is basically a container that you fill with extensions, rules, data elements, and libraries as you deploy tags to your site. A property can be any grouping of one or more domains and subdomains. You can manage and track these assets similarly. For example, suppose that you have multiple websites based on one template, and you want to track the same assets on all of them. You can apply one property to multiple domains. For more information on creating properties, see "[Create a Property](#)" in the product documentation.

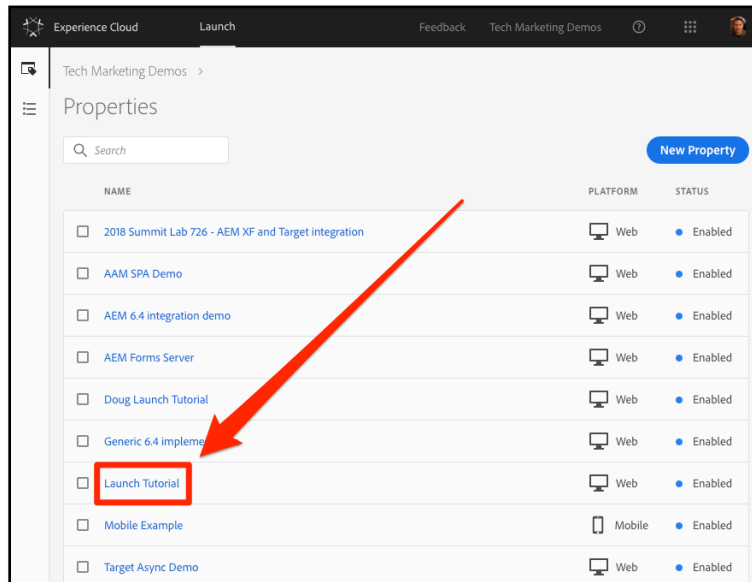
1. Click the **[New Property]** button:



2. Name your property (type: *Launch Tutorial*)
3. As the domain, enter ***enablementadobe.com*** since you will be using this property in conjunction with the We.Retail demo site which is hosted on this domain
4. Leave the selected platform as *Web* for this tutorial
5. Click the **[Save]** button



6. Your new property should display on the Properties page. Note that if you check the box next to the property name, options to **[Configure]** or **[Delete]** the property appear above the property list. Click on the name of your property (e.g. *Launch Tutorial*) to open the *Overview* screen.



Lesson 2 - Add the Launch Embed Code

In this lesson, you will implement the asynchronous embed code of your Launch property's Development environment. Along the way, you will learn about two main concepts of Launch - Environments and Embed Codes.

Learning Objectives

At the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

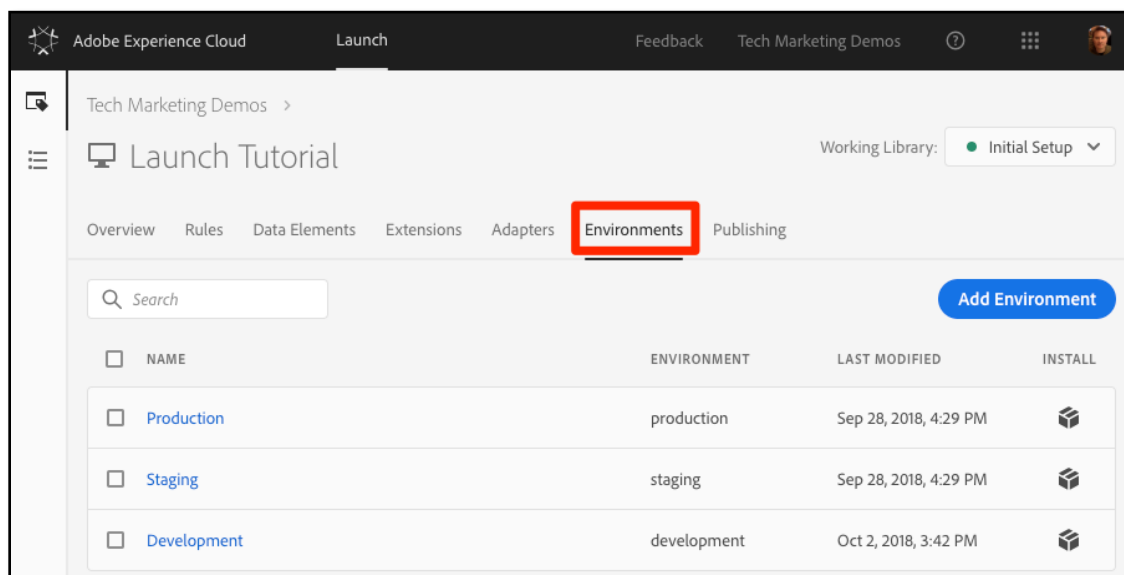
- Obtain the embed code for your Launch property
- Understand the difference between a Development, Staging, and Production environment
- Add a Launch embed code to an html document
- Explain the optimal location of the Launch embed code in relation to other code in the `<head>` of an html document

Exercise 2.1: Copy the Embed Code

The embed code is a `<script>` tag that you put on your webpages to load and execute the logic you build in Launch. If you load the library asynchronously, the browser continues to load the page, retrieves the Launch library, and executes it in parallel. In this case, there is only one embed code, which you put in the `<head>`. (When Launch is deployed synchronously, there are two embed codes, one which you put in the `<head>` and another which you put before the `</body>`).

From the property Overview screen, click on the *Environments* tab to go to the environments page.

Note that Development, Staging, and Production environments have been pre-created for you.





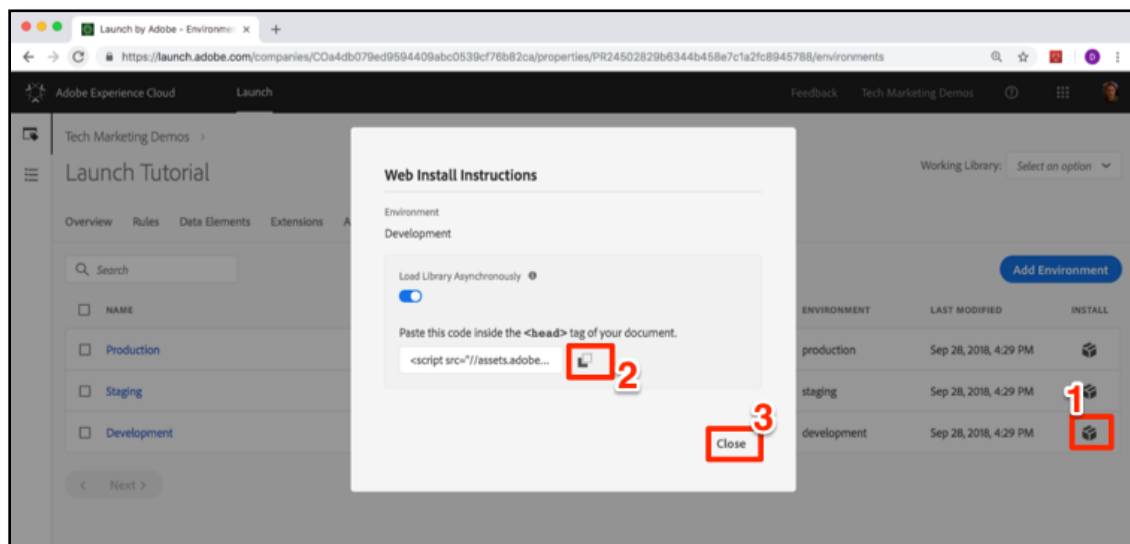
Development, Staging, and Production environments correspond to the typical environments in the code development and release process. Code is first written by a developer in a Development environment. When they have completed their work, they send it to a Staging environment for QA and other teams to review. Once the QA and other teams are satisfied, the code is then published to the Production environment, which is the public-facing environment which your visitors experience when they come to your website.

Launch permits additional Development environments, which is useful in large organizations in which multiple developers are working on different projects at the same time.

These are the only environments we need to complete the tutorial. Environments allow you to have different working versions of your Launch libraries hosted at different URLs, so you can safely add new features and make them available to the right users (e.g. developers, QA engineers, the public, etc.) at the right time.

Now let's copy the embed code:

1. In the **[Development]** row, click the Install icon  to open the modal.
2. Note that Launch will default to the asynchronous embed codes
3. Click the Copy icon  to copy the embed code to your clipboard.
4. Click **[Close]** to close the modal.



Exercise 2.2: Implement the Embed Code in the `<head>` element

The embed code should be implemented in the `<head>` element of all HTML pages that will share the property. You might have one or several template files which control the `<head>` globally across the site, making it a straightforward process to add Launch.

Lesson 3 - Switch Launch Environments with the Experience Cloud Debugger

In this lesson you will use the [Adobe Experience Cloud Debugger extension](#) to replace the Launch property hardcoded on the [We.Retail demo site](http://bit.ly/WeRetail) (<http://bit.ly/WeRetail>) with your own property. This technique is called environment switching and will be helpful later, when you work with Launch on your own website. You will be able to load your production website in your browser, but with your *development* Launch environment. This enables you to confidently make and validate Launch changes independently from your regular code releases. After all, this separation of marketing tag releases from your regular code releases is one of the main reasons customers use Launch in the first place!

Learning Objectives

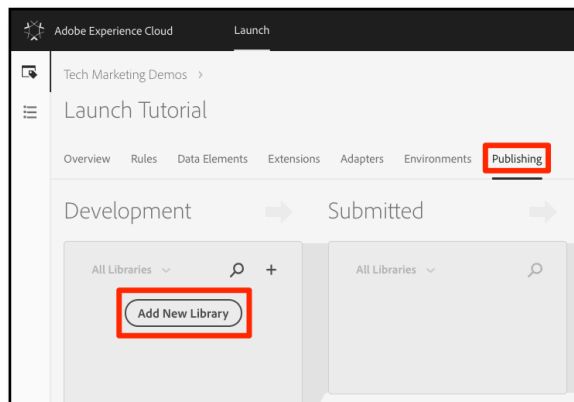
At the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

- Use the Debugger to load an alternate Launch environment
- Use the Debugger to validate that you have loaded an alternate Launch environment

Exercise 3.1: Create a Library

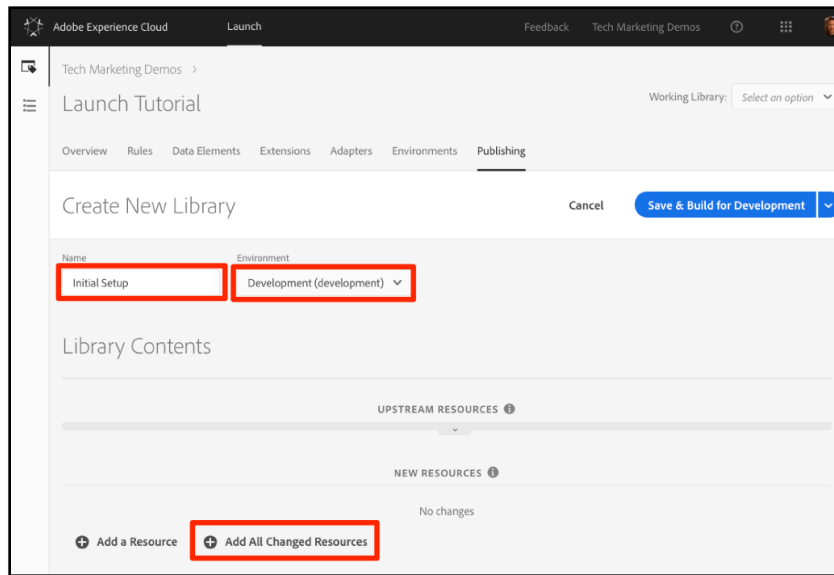
Even though Launch has created you an Embed Code for each Library, we have not yet PUBLISHED anything to that location.

1. Go to the [Publishing] tab
2. Click **[Add New Library]**



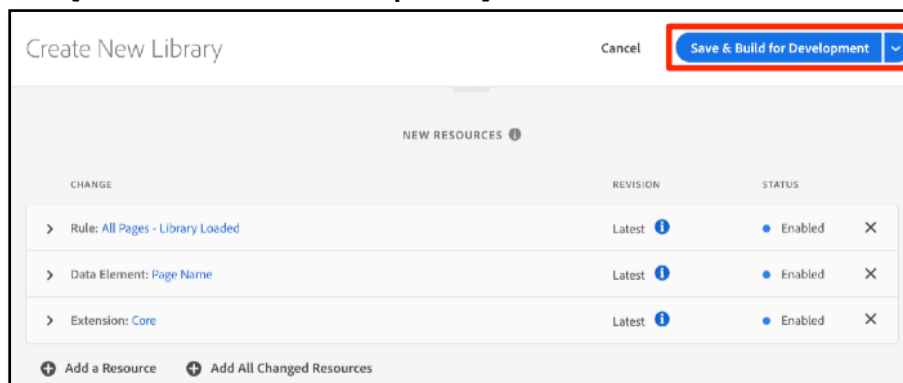
3. Name the Library "Initial Setup"
4. Select **[Environment > Development]**

5. Click **[Add All Changed Resources]**

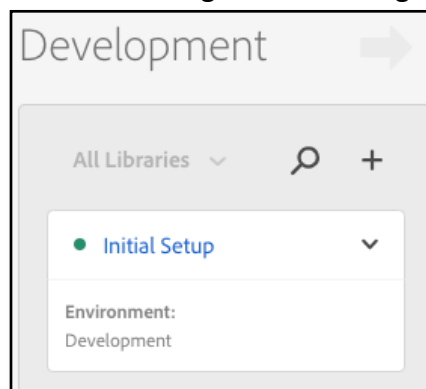


6. Note that after clicking **[Add All Changed Resources]** Launch summarizes the changes you just made.



7. Click **[Save & Build for Development]**

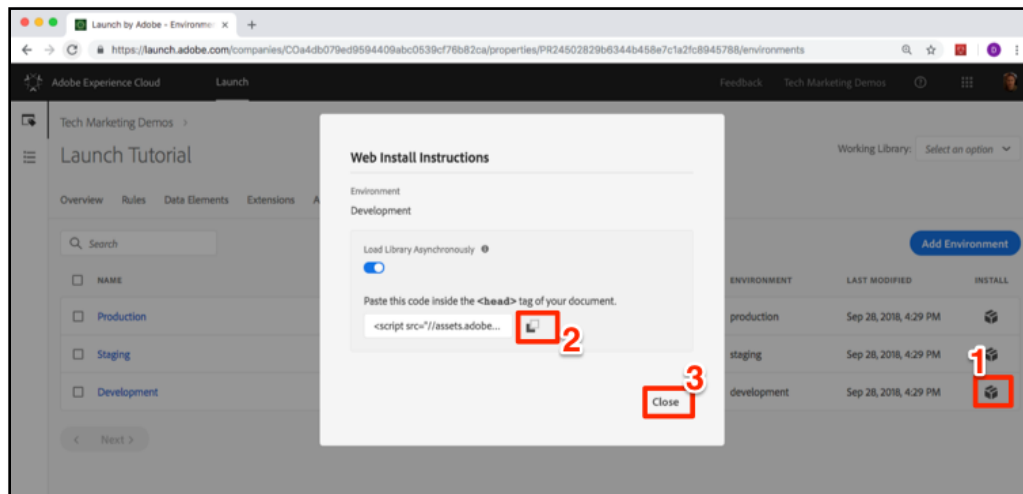


After a few moments, the status dot will turn green indicating the library successfully built.




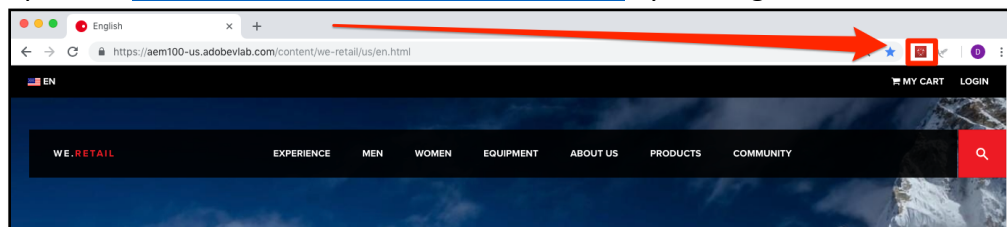
Exercise 3.2: Get the URL of your Development Environment

1. In your Launch property, open the *Environments* page
2. In the **[Development]** row, click the Install icon  to open the modal
3. Click the Copy icon  to copy the embed code to your clipboard
4. Click **[Close]** to close the modal

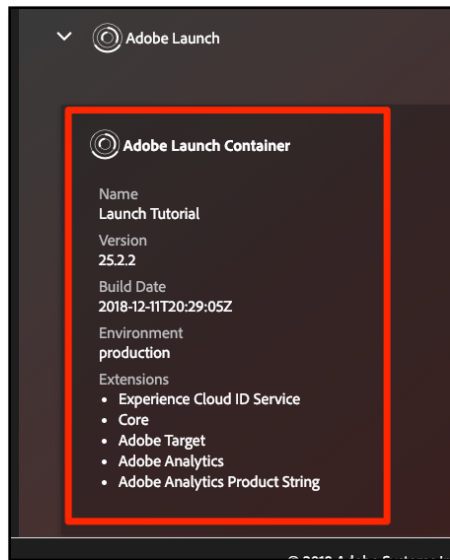


Exercise 3.3: Replace the Launch URL on the We.Retail Demo Site

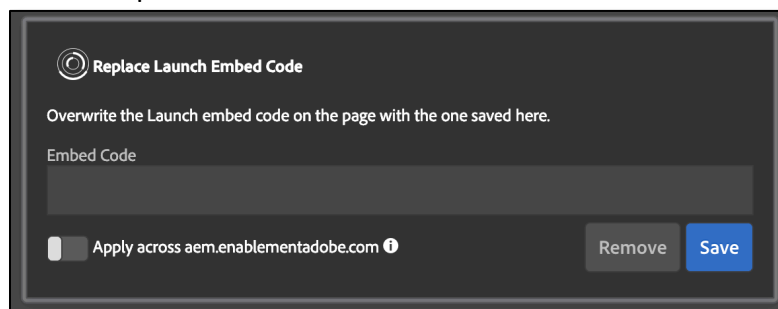
1. Open the [We.Retail](http://bit.ly/WeRetail) demo site in your Chrome browser: <http://bit.ly/WeRetail>
2. Open the [Experience Cloud Debugger extension](#) by clicking the  icon



3. Note that the currently implemented Launch property is shown on the Summary tab

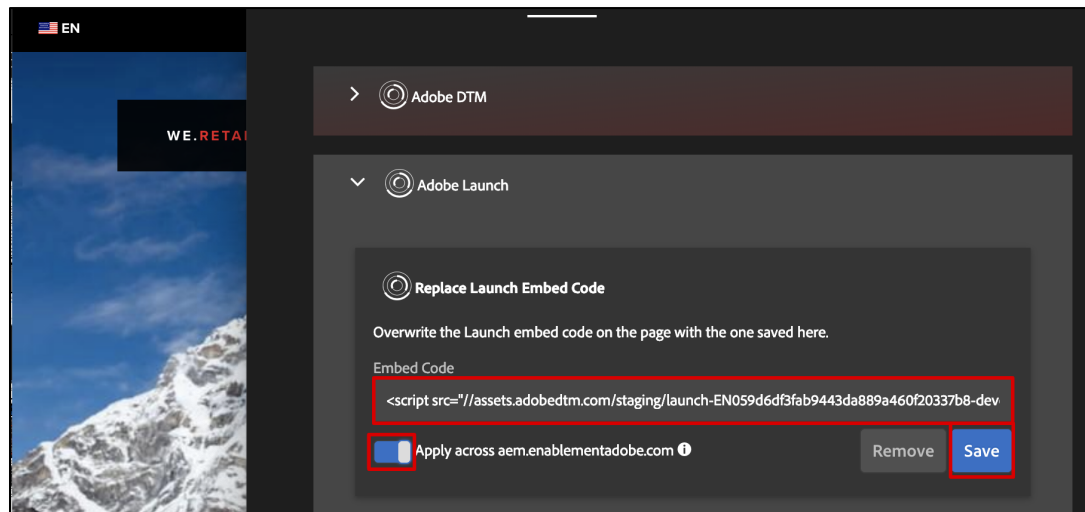


4. Go to the Tools tab
5. Click [**Adobe Launch > Replace Launch Embed Code > Embed Code**] button to open the text input field:

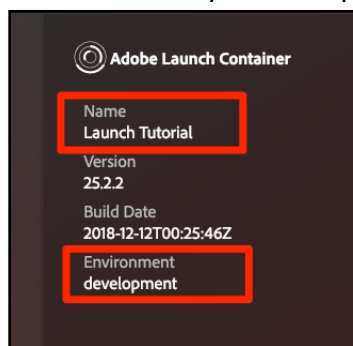


6. Before you paste your embed code, make sure the Chrome tab with the We.Retail site the one in focus behind the Debugger (not the tab with this tutorial or the tab with the Launch interface)
7. Paste the embed code that is in your clipboard into the input field

8. Click the disk icon to save



9. Reload the We.Retail site and check the Summary tab of the Debugger. Under the Launch section, you should now see your Development Property is being used. Confirm that both the Name of the property matches yours and that the Environment says "development."



The Debugger will save this configuration and replace the Launch embed codes whenever you come back to the We.Retail site. It will not impact other sites you visit in other open tabs. To stop the Debugger from replacing the embed code, click the "X" next to the embed code in the Tools tab of the Debugger.

As you continue the tutorial, you will use this technique of mapping the We.Retail site to your own Launch property to validate your Launch implementation. When you start using Launch on your production website, you can use this same technique to validate changes you make to your Development and Staging Environments before you publish them to Production.

Lesson 4 - Add a Data Element, a Rule, and a Library

In this lesson, you will create your first Data Element, Rule, and Library.

Data Elements and Rules are the basic building blocks of Launch. Data Elements store the attributes you want to send to your marketing and advertising solutions, while Rules fire the requests to those solutions under the right conditions. Libraries are the JavaScript files that load on the page to do all of the work. In this lesson, you will use all three to make our sample page do something.

Learning Objectives

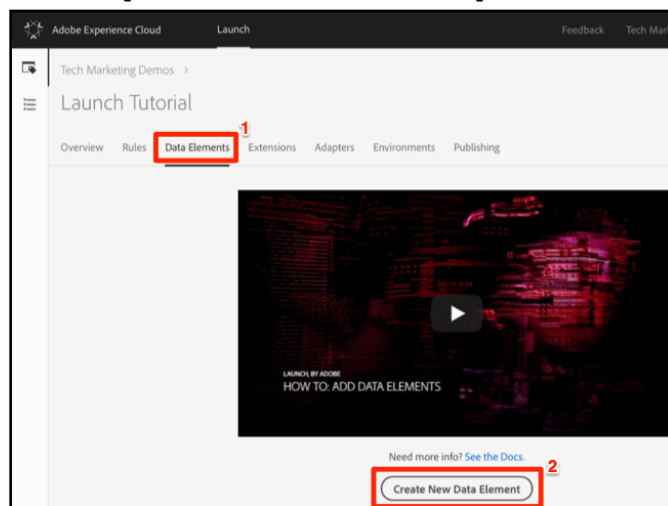
At the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

- Create a data element
- Create a rule
- Create a library
- Add changes to a library
- Validate that your library is loading in your web browser
- Use the "Working Library" feature to work more efficiently

Exercise 4.1: Create a data element

Data elements are Launch's version of a data layer. They can store values from your own data layer object, cookies, local storage objects, query string parameters, page elements, meta tags, etc. In this exercise, you will create a data element for Page Name, which you will use later in your Target and Analytics implementations.

1. In the top navigation, click **[Data Elements]**
2. Since you haven't created any data elements yet in this property, a brief video appears with additional information on this topic. Watch this video, if you like.
3. Click the **[Create New Data Element]** button:

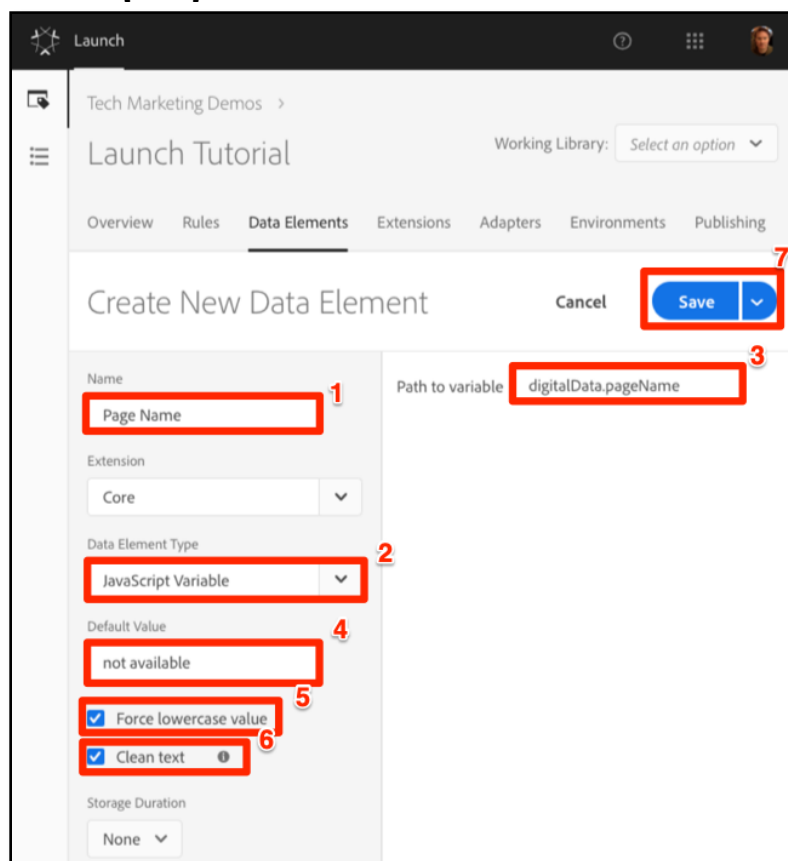


4. Name the data element, e.g. *Page Name*

5. Use the **[JavaScript Variable]** Data Element type to point to a value in your sample page's data layer:

```
digitalData.page.pageInfo.pageName
```

6. Use *"not available"* as the [Default Value]. The [Default Value] tells Launch what value to use for the data element if your JavaScript Variable specified above is not found.
7. Check the boxes for [Force lowercase value] and [Clean text] to standardize the case and remove extraneous spaces
8. Leave [None] as the [Storage Duration] setting since this value will typically be different on every page
9. Click the [Save] button to save the data element



DTM Migrators: New data element types have been added to Launch, which did not exist in DTM. Some of the new data element types include Local Storage, Session Storage, Page Info, and Random Number.

Data element capabilities can be extended with Extensions. For example, the ContextHub extension allows you to add data elements using features of the extension.

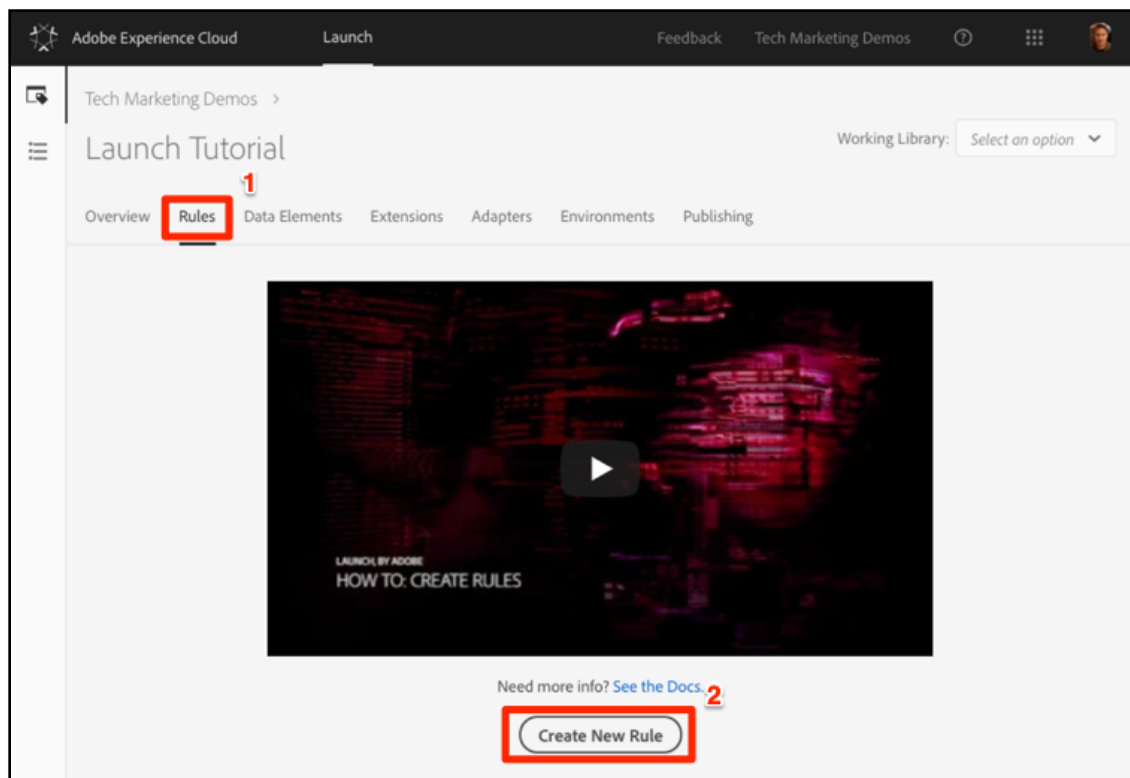
Exercise 4.2: Create a Rule

Next you will use this data element in a simple rule. Rules are one of the most powerful features in Launch and allow you to specify what should happen as the visitor interacts with your website. When the criteria outlined in your rules are met, the rule triggers the action you have specified.

You are going to create a rule that outputs the Page Name data element value to the browser console.

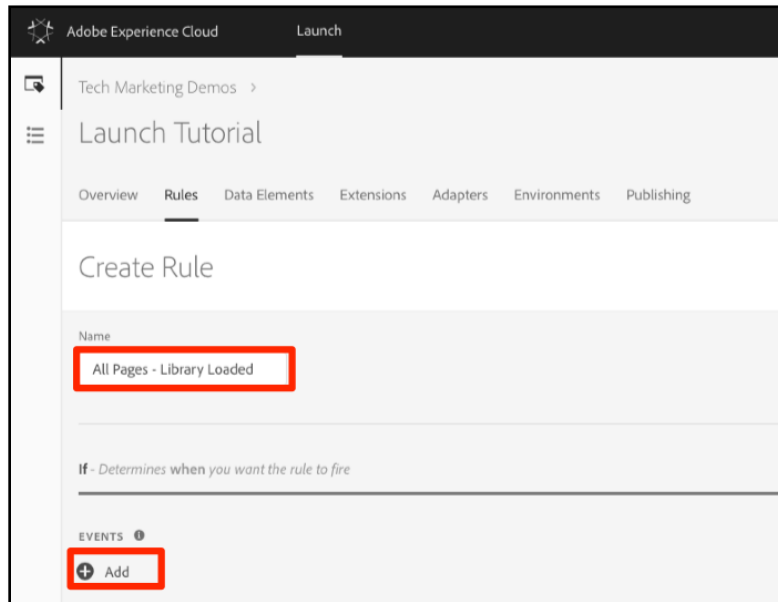
To create a rule

1. In the top navigation, click **[Rules]**
2. Since you haven't created any rules yet in this property, a brief video appears with additional information on the topic. Watch this video, if you like.
3. Click the **[Create New Rule]** button:

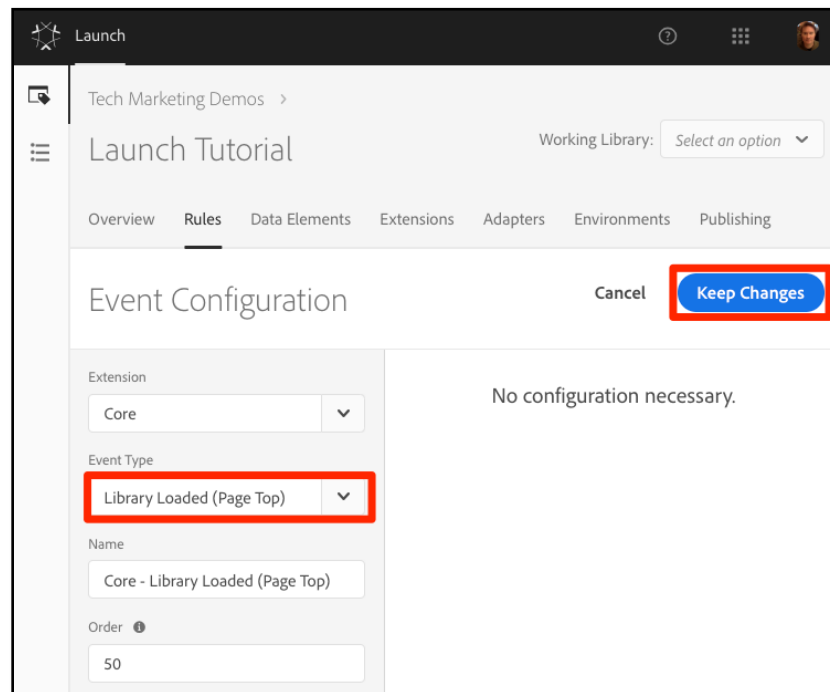


4. Name the Rule: *"ALL Pages - Library Loaded"* This naming convention indicates where and when the rule will fire, making it easier to identify and re-use as your Launch property matures.

5. Under Events, click **[Add]**. The Event tells Launch when the rule should fire and can be many things, including a page load, a click, a custom JavaScript event, etc.



- i. As the Event Type, select **[Library Loaded (Page Top)]**. Note that when you select the Event Type, Launch pre-populates a name for the event using your selection. Also note that the default order for the event is 50. Ordering is a powerful feature in Launch which gives you precise control over the sequence of actions when you have multiple rules that are triggered by the same event. You will use this feature later in the tutorial.
- ii. Click the **[Keep Changes]** button

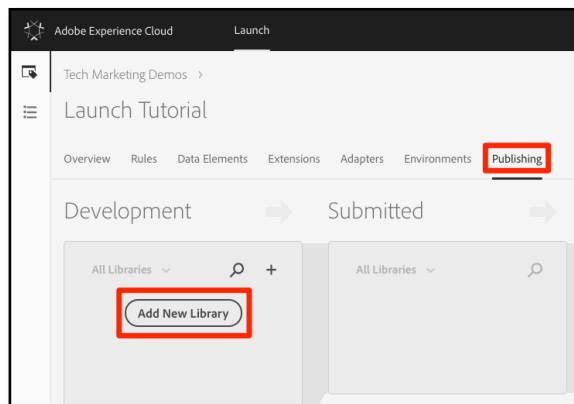


6. Since this rule should fire on all pages, leave **[Conditions]** blank. If you open the Conditions modal, you will see that conditions can add both restrictions and exclusions based on a large variety of options, including URLs, data element values, date ranges, and more.
7. Click **[Save]** to save the rule

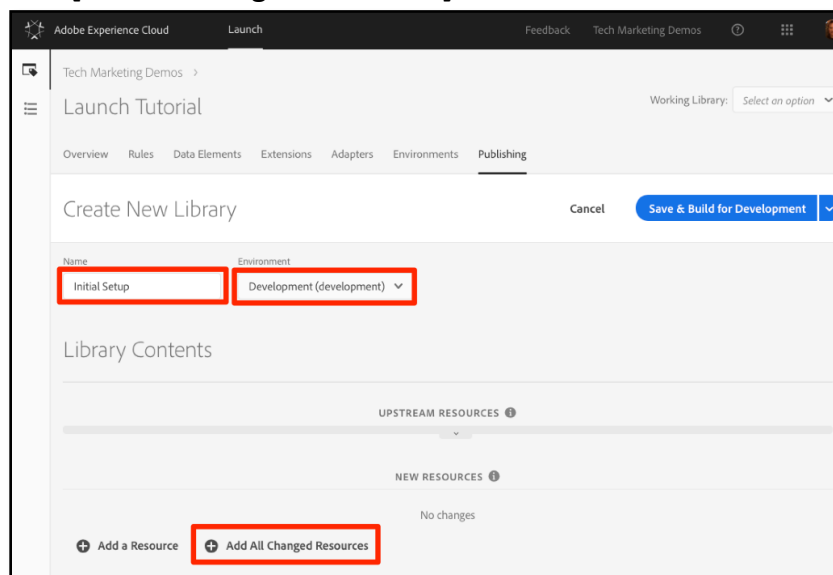
Exercise 4.3: Save Your Changes to a Library

After configuring a collection of extensions, data elements, and rules in the Launch interface, you need to package these capabilities and logic into a set of JavaScript code that you can deploy on your website so that marketing tags will fire when visitors come to the site. A library is the set of JavaScript code that will do this.

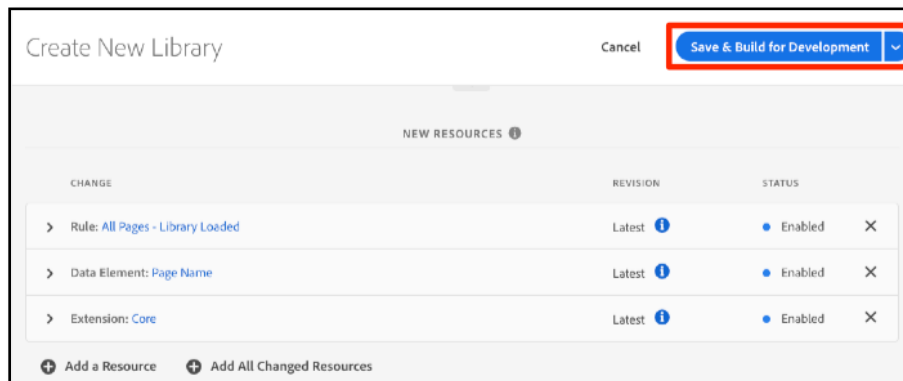
1. Go to the **[Publishing]** tab
2. Click **[Add New Library]**



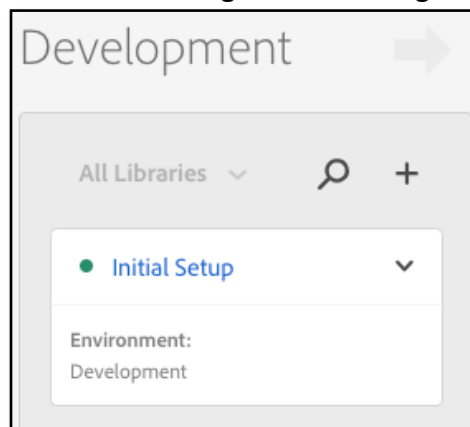
3. Name the Library "Initial Setup"
4. Select **[Environment > Development]**
5. Click **[Add All Changed Resources]**



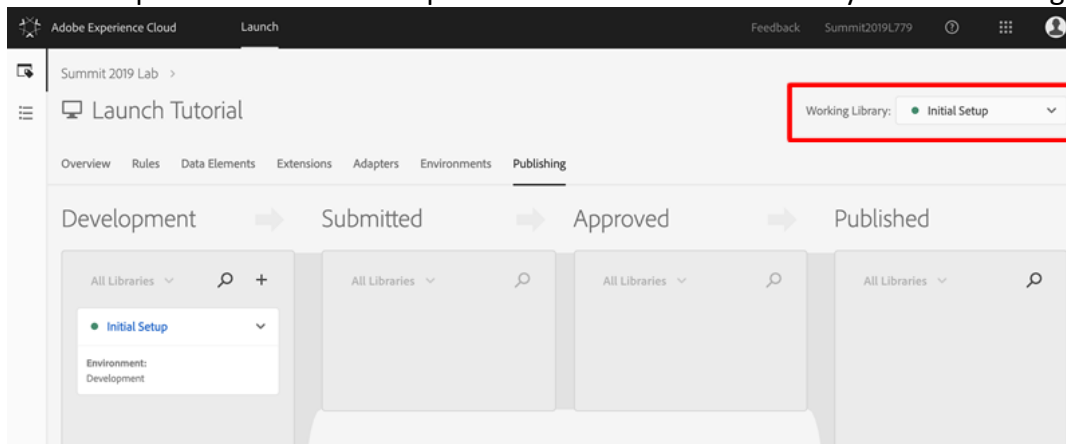
- Note that after clicking **[Add All Changed Resources]** Launch summarizes the changes you just made.
- Click **[Save & Build for Development]**



After a few moments, the status dot will turn green indicating the library successfully built.



- Now Select this new Library as your “Working Library” Doing this will automatically build and publish to the “Development” environment each time you save a change.



Lesson 5 - Add the Experience Cloud ID Service

This lesson will guide you through the steps required to implement the [Experience Cloud ID Service extension](#) and send customer ids.

The [Experience Cloud ID Service](#) sets a common visitor id across all Adobe solutions in order to power Experience Cloud capabilities such as audience-sharing between solutions. You can also send your own customer ids to the Service to enable cross-device targeting and integrations with your Customer Relationship Management (CRM) system.

Learning Objectives

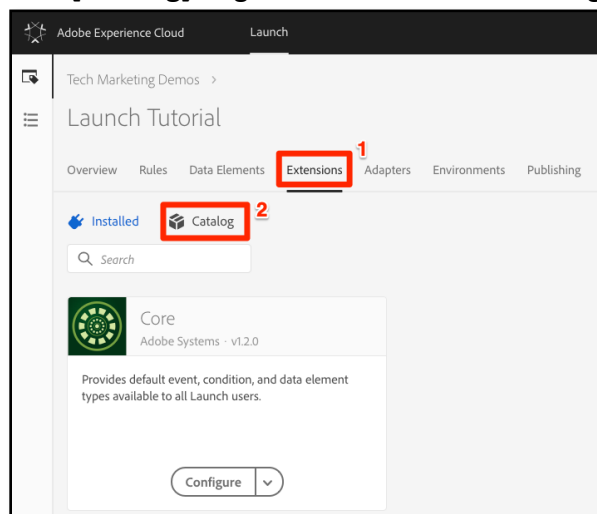
At the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

- Add the ID Service extension
- Create a data element to collect your customer ids
- Create a rule that uses the "Set Customer IDs" action to send the customer ids to Adobe
- Use the rule ordering feature to sequence rules that fire on the same event

Exercise 5.1: Add the ID Service Extension

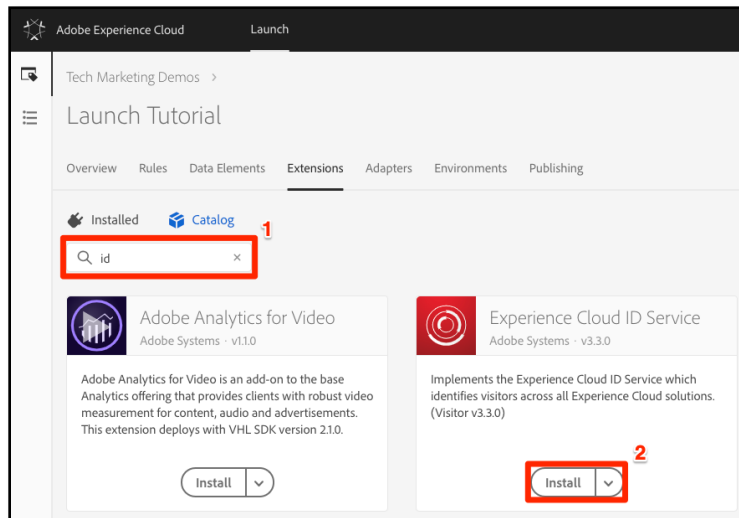
Since this is the first extension you are adding, here is a quick overview of extensions. Extensions are one of the core features of Launch. An extension is an integration built by Adobe, an Adobe partner, or any Adobe customer that adds new and endless options for the tags that you can deploy to your website. If you think of Launch as an operating system, extensions are the apps that you install so Launch can do the things you need it to do.

1. In the top navigation, click **[Extensions]**
2. Click **[Catalog]** to go to the Extensions Catalog page

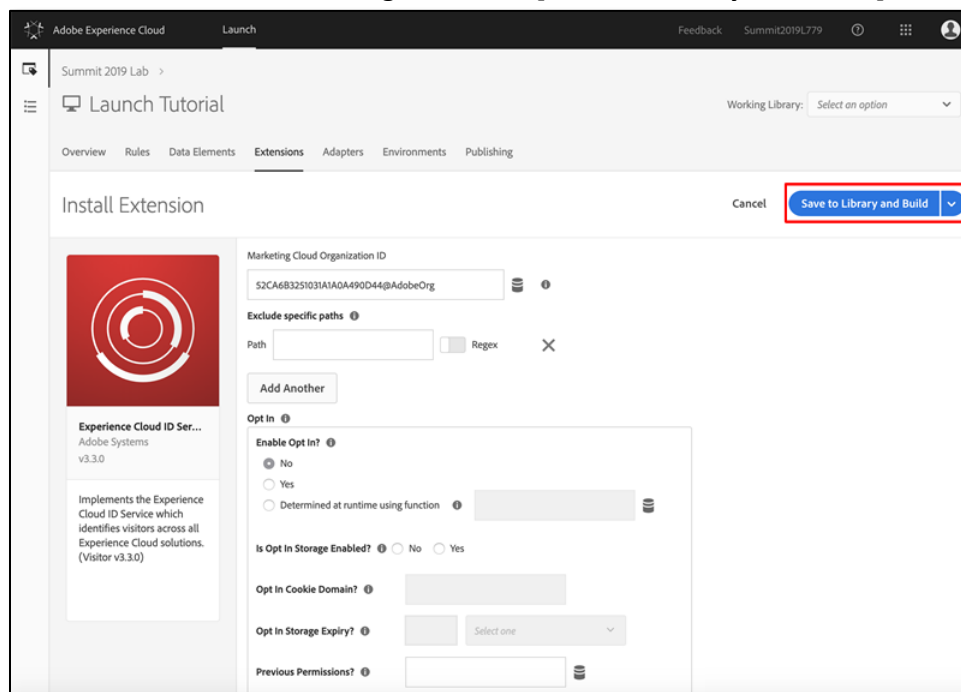


3. Note the variety of extensions that are available in the Catalog
4. In the filter at the top, type "id" to filter the Catalog

5. On the card for the Experience Cloud ID Service, click **[Install]**



6. Note that your Experience Cloud Organization ID has been auto-detected for you.
7. Leave all of the default settings and click **[Save to Library and Build]**



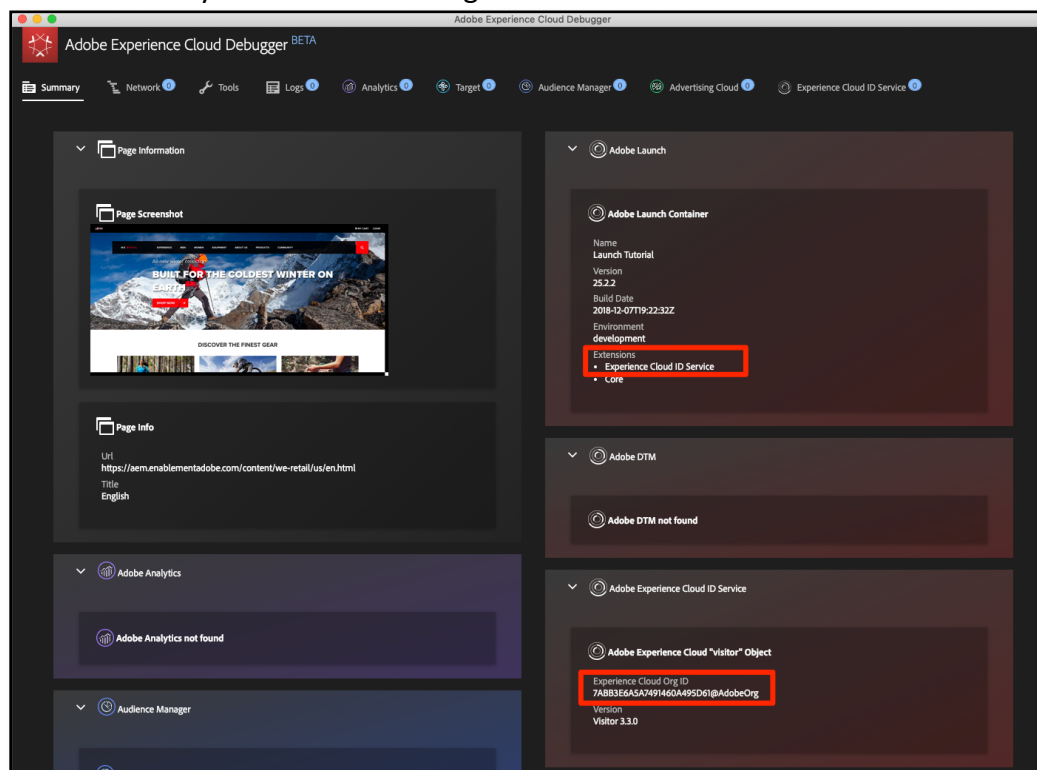
Each version of the ID Service extension comes with a specific version of VisitorAPI.js which is noted in the extension description. You update the VisitorAPI.js version by updating the ID Service extension.

This tutorial will not cover Adobe's Opt-In Configurations but be aware this is where you can suppress Adobe Beacons and Cookies until Consent is collected.

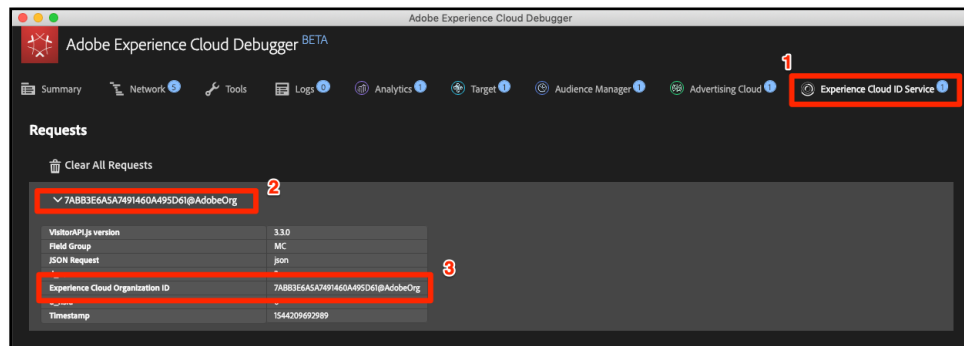
Exercise 5.1.1: Validate the Extension

The ID Service extension is one of the few Launch extensions that makes a request without having to use a rule action. The extension will automatically make a request to the ID Service on the first page load of the first visit to a website. Once the ID has been requested, it will be stored in a first party cookie beginning with "AMCV_".

1. Open the [We.Retail site](#)
2. Make sure the Debugger is mapping the Launch property to *your* Development environment, as described in the [earlier lesson](#).
3. On the Summary tab of the Debugger, the Launch section should indicate that the Experience Cloud ID Service extension is implemented.
4. Also, on the Summary tab, the ID Service section should populate with the same Org ID that was on your extension configuration screen in the Launch interface:



- The initial request to retrieve the Visitor ID might appear in the ID Service tab of the Debugger. It might have already been requested, though, so don't worry if you don't see it:



Exercise 5.2: Send Customer IDs

Next, you will send a [Customer ID](#) to the ID Service. This will allow you to [integrate your CRM](#) with the Experience Cloud as well as track visitors across devices.

In the earlier lesson, [Add Data Elements, Rules, and Libraries](#) you created a data element and used it in a rule. Now, you will use those same techniques to send a Customer ID when the visitor is authenticated.

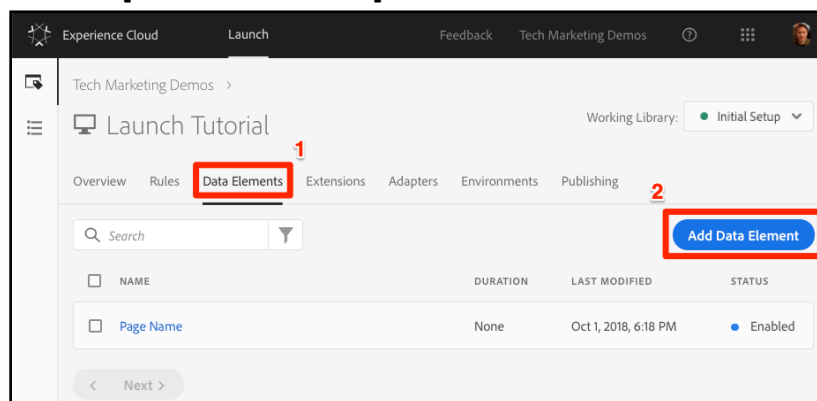
Exercise 5.2.1: Create Data Elements for Customer IDs

Start by creating two data elements:

- Authentication State*—to capture whether or not the visitor is logged in
- Email (Hashed)*—to capture the hashed version of the email address (used as the customer ID) from the data layer

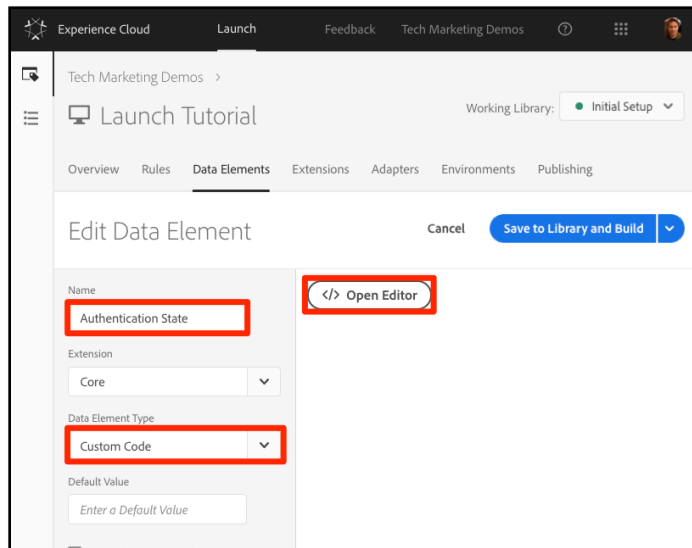
To create the data element for Authentication State

- Click **[Data Elements]** in the top navigation
- Click the **[Add Data Element]** button



- Name the data element *Authentication State*
- For the **[Data Element Type]**, select **[Custom Code]**

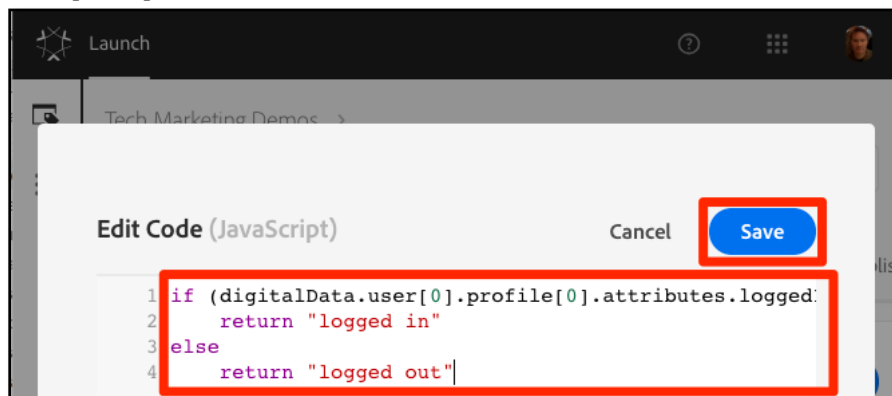
5. Click the **[Open Editor]** button



6. In the **[Edit Code]** window, use the following code to return values of "logged in" or "logged out" based on an attribute in the We.Retail site's data layer:

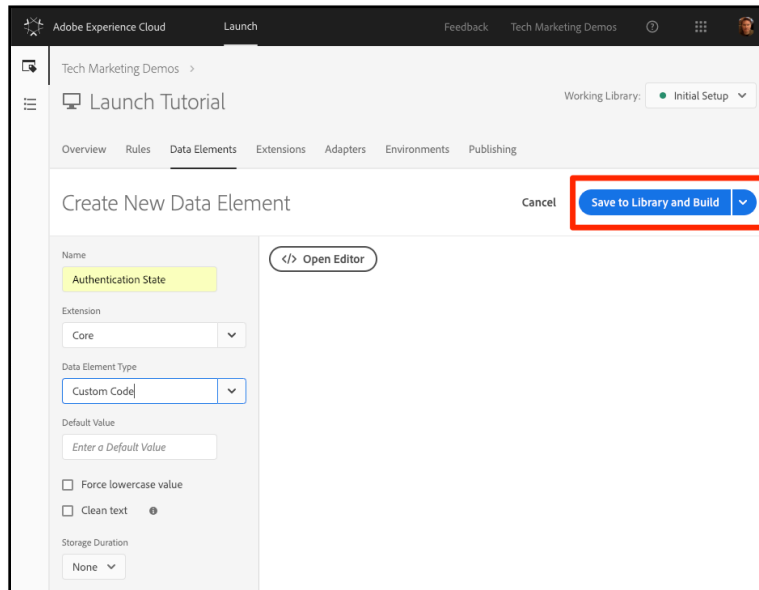
```
if (digitalData.user[0].profile[0].attributes.loggedIn)
    return "logged in"
else
    return "logged out"
```

7. Click **[Save]** to save the custom code



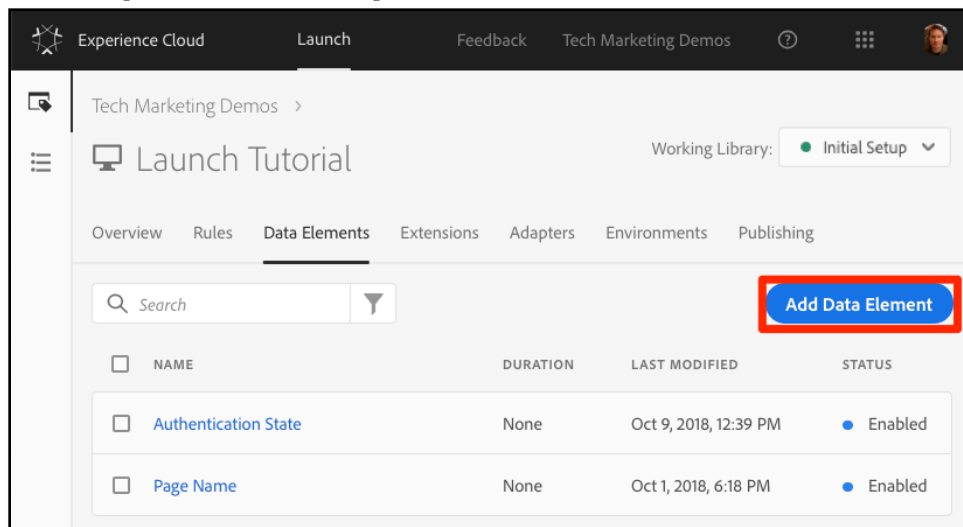
8. Leave all of the other settings on their default values

- Click **[Save to Library and Build]** to save the data element and return to the data elements page



By knowing the authentication state of the user, you know when a customer id should exist on the page to send to the ID Service. The next step is to create a data element for the customer id itself. On the We.Retail demo site, you will use the hashed version of the visitor's email address.

- Click the **[Add Data Element]** button

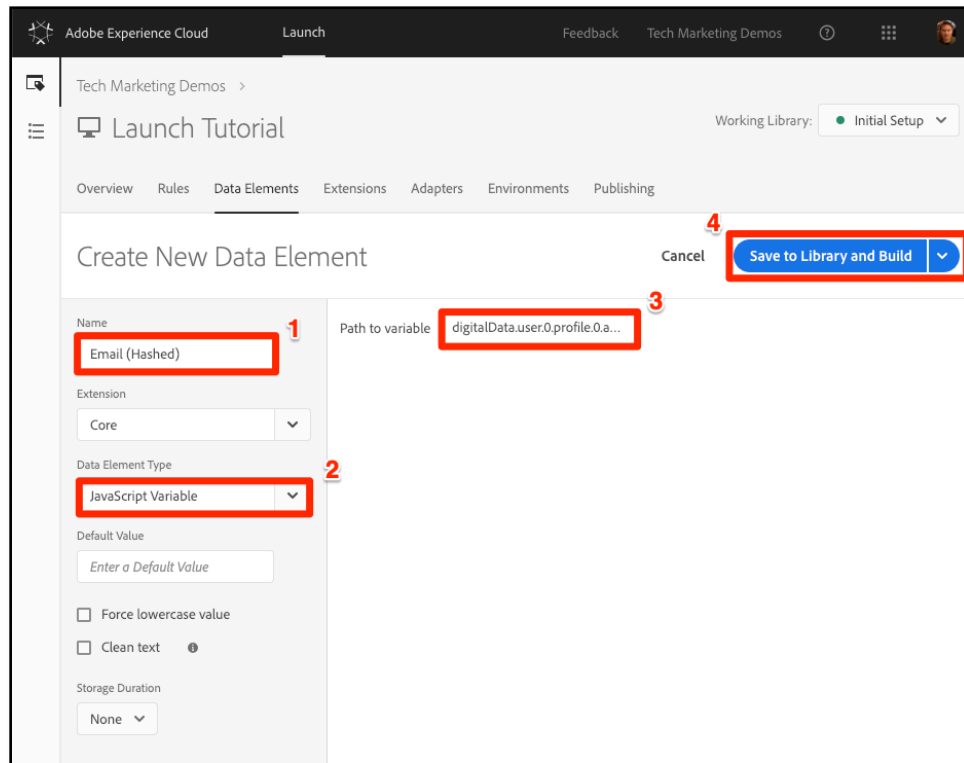


- Name the data element *Email (Hashed)*
- For the **[Data Element Type]**, select **[JavaScript Variable]**
- As the **[Path to variable]**, use the following pointer to a variable in the We.Retail site's data layer:

digitalData.user.0.profile.0.attributes.username

- Leave all of the other settings on their default values

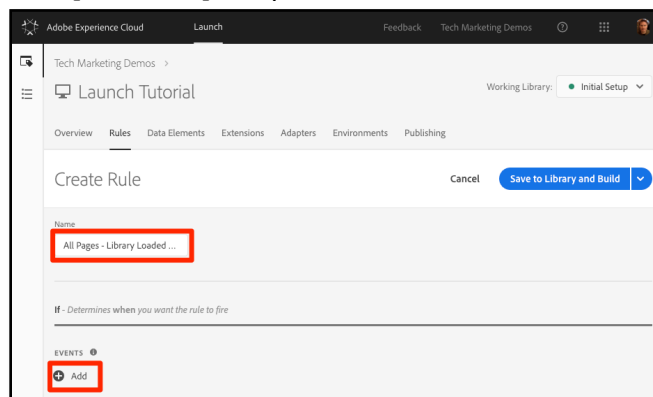
15. Click **[Save to Library and Build]** to save the data element



Exercise 5.2.2: Add a Rule to Send the Customer IDs - (EXTRA CREDIT)

The Experience Cloud ID Service passes the Customer IDs in rules using an action called “Set Customer IDs.” You will now create a rule to trigger this action when the visitor is authenticated.

1. In the top navigation, click **[Rules]**
2. Click **[Add Rule]** to open the Rule Builder

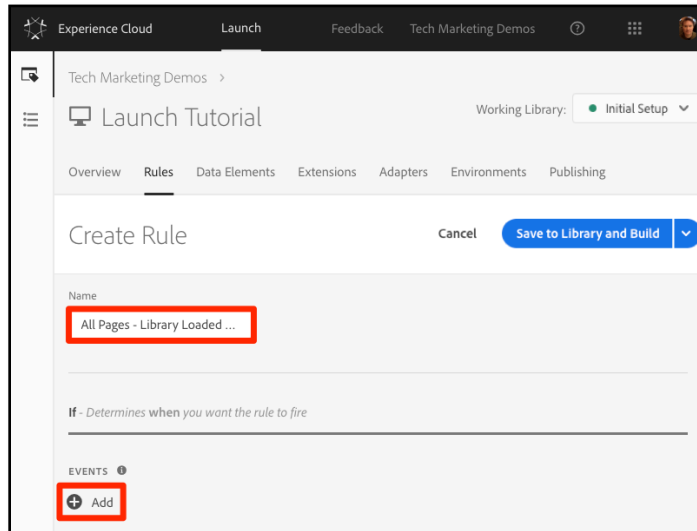


3. Name the rule *All Pages - Library Loaded - Authenticated - 10*

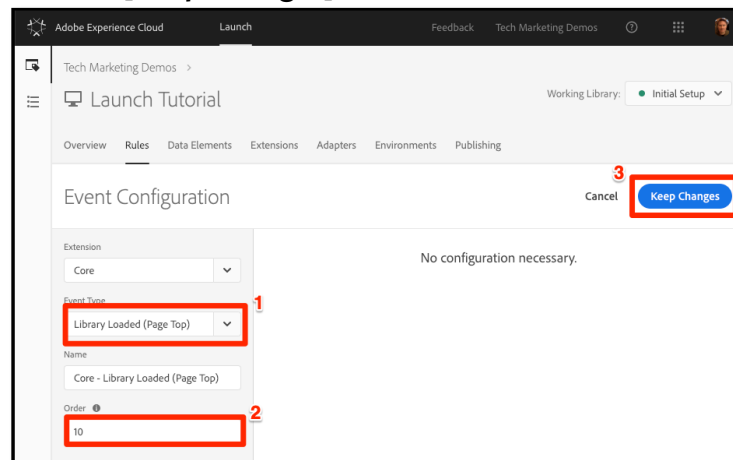
This naming convention indicates you are firing this rule at the top of all pages when the user is authenticated and it will have an order of “10”. Using a

naming convention like this - instead of naming it for the solutions triggered in the actions - will allow you to minimize the overall number of rules needed by your implementation.

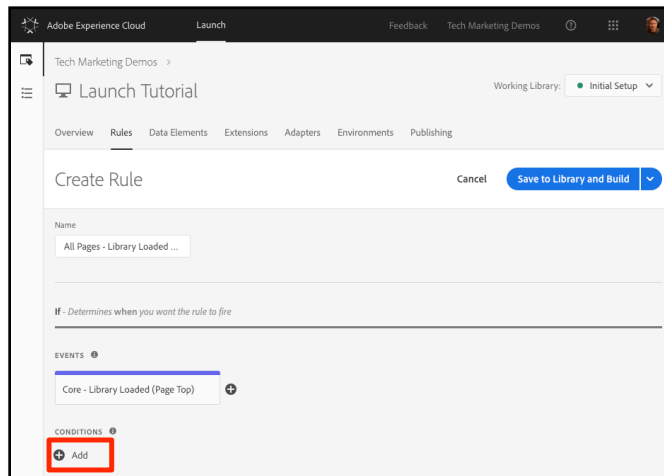
4. Under [Events] click [Add]




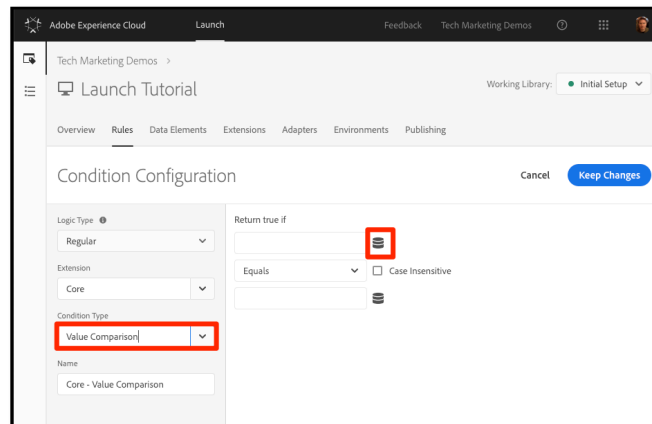
- i. For the [Event Type] select [Library Loaded (Page Top)]
- ii. For the [Order] enter 10. The Order controls the sequence of rules that are triggered by the same event. Rules with a lower order will fire before rules with a higher order. In this case, you want to set the customer ID before you fire the Target request, which you will do in the next lesson with a rule with an order of 50.
- iii. Click the [Keep Changes] button to return to the Rule Builder



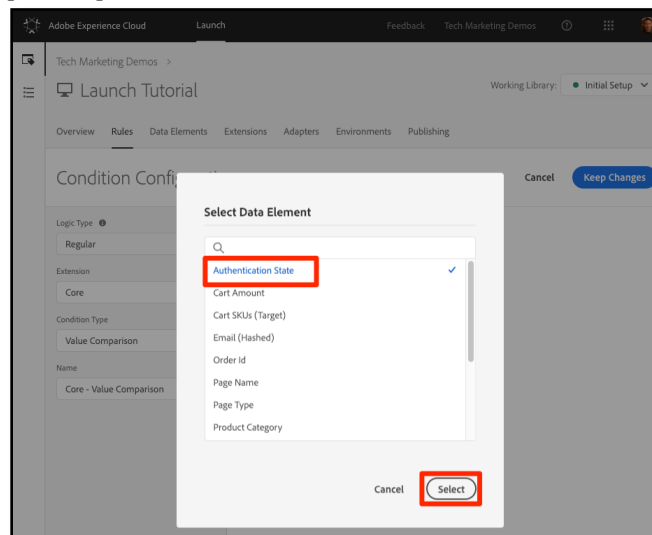
5. Under **[Conditions]** click **[Add]**



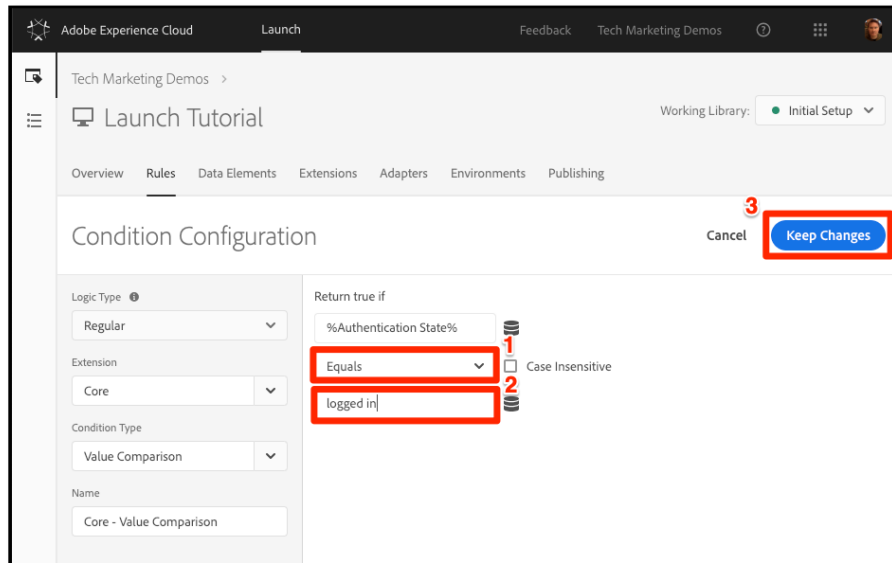
- i. For the **[Condition Type]** select **[Value Comparison]**
- ii. Click the  icon to open the Data Element modal



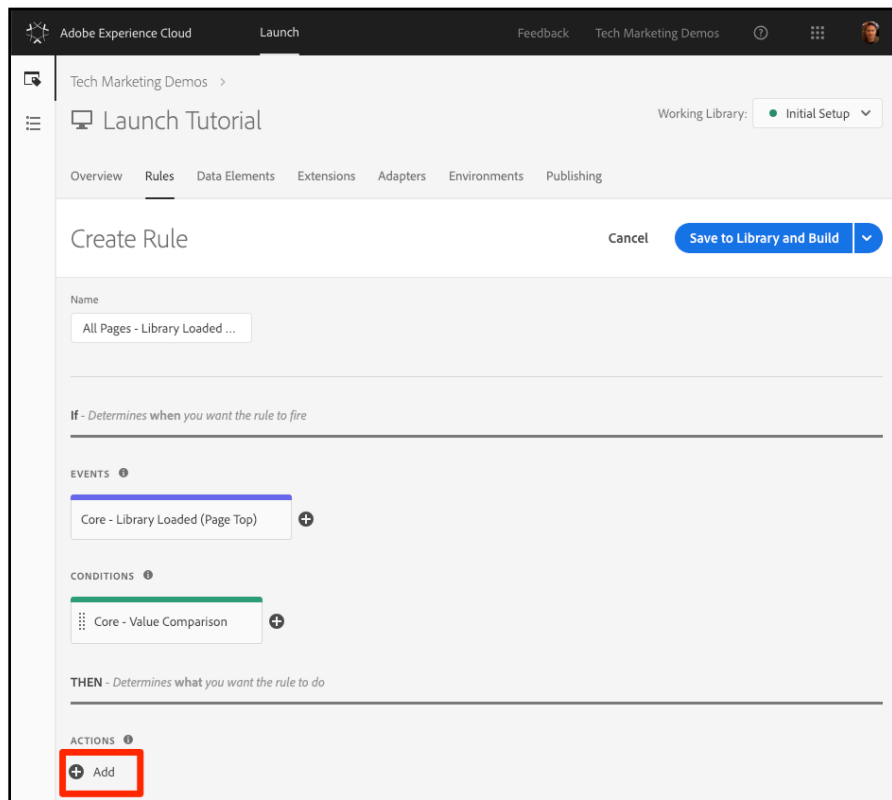
- iii. In the Data Element Modal, click on **[Authentication State]** and then click **[Select]**



6. Make sure *Equal*s is the operator
7. Type "logged in" in the text field, causing the rule to fire whenever the Data Element "Authentication State" has a value of "logged in"
8. Click **[Keep Changes]**

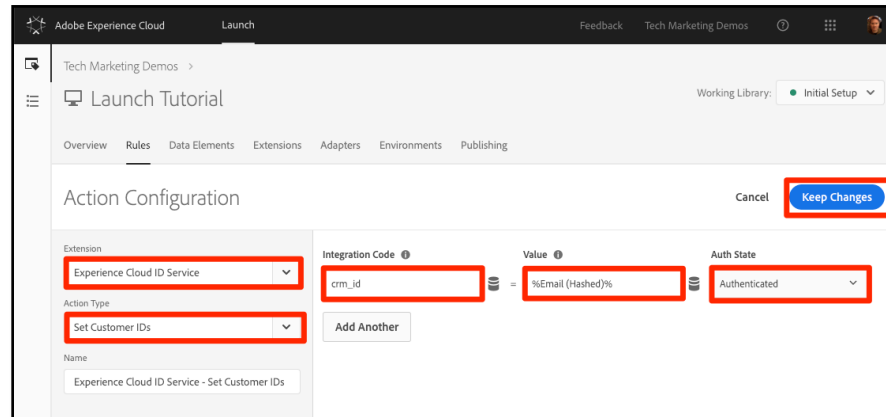


9. Under **[Actions]** click **[Add]**

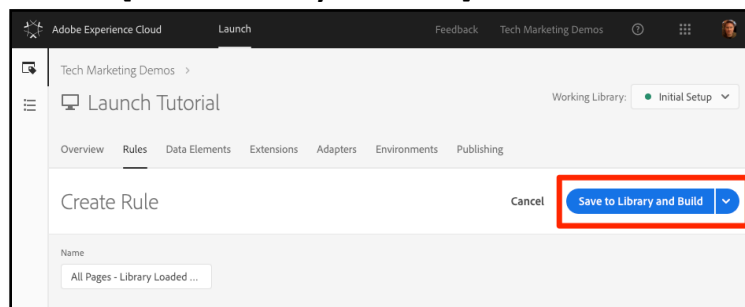


- i. For the **[Extension]** select **[Experience Cloud ID Service]**
- ii. For the **[Action Type]** select **[Set Customer IDs]**
- iii. For the **[Integration Code]** enter *crm_id*

- iv. For the **[Value]** enter open the Data Element selector modal and select the *Email (Hashed)*
- v. For the **[Auth State]** select **[Authenticated]**
- vi. Click the **[Keep Changes]** button to save the action and return to the Rule Builder



10. Click the **[Save to Library and Build]** button to save the rule



You've now created a rule that will send the Customer ID as a variable *crm_id* when the visitor is Authenticated. Since you specified the Order as **10** this rule will fire before your *ALL Pages - Library Loaded* rule created in the [Add Data Elements, Rules and Libraries](#) lesson which uses the default Order value of **50**.

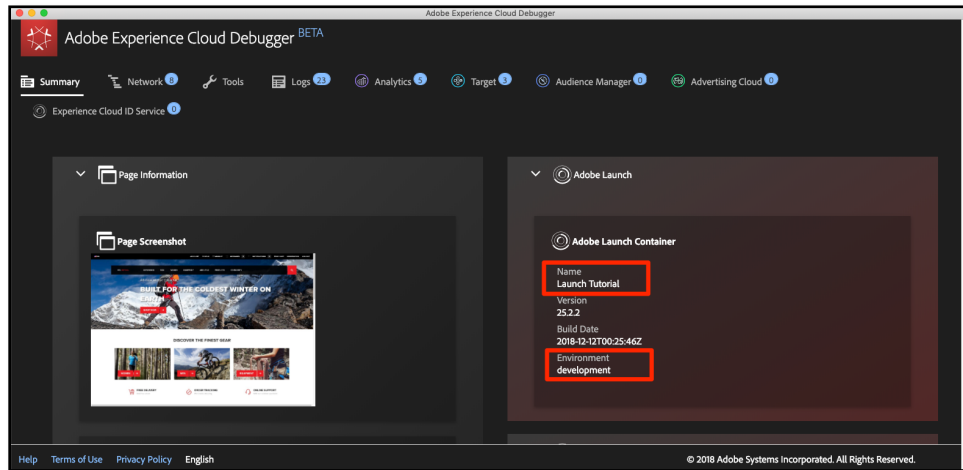
Exercise 5.2.3: Validate the Customer IDs

To validate your work, you will log into the We.Retail site to confirm the behavior of the new rule.

To log into the We.Retail site

1. Open the [We.Retail site](#)

2. Make sure the Debugger is mapping the Launch property to *your* Development environment, as described in the [earlier lesson](#)



3. Click the **[LOGIN]** link in the top right corner of the We.Retail site

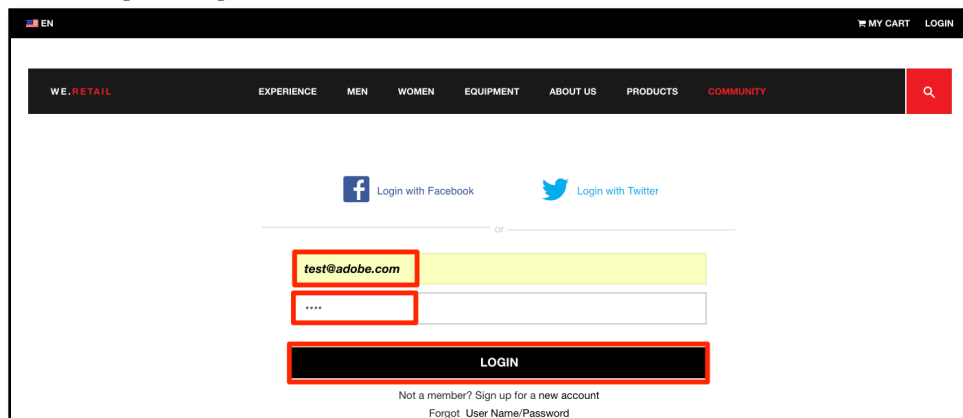


4. Login using the info below:

Username: test@adobe.com

Password: test

5. Click the **[LOGIN]** button



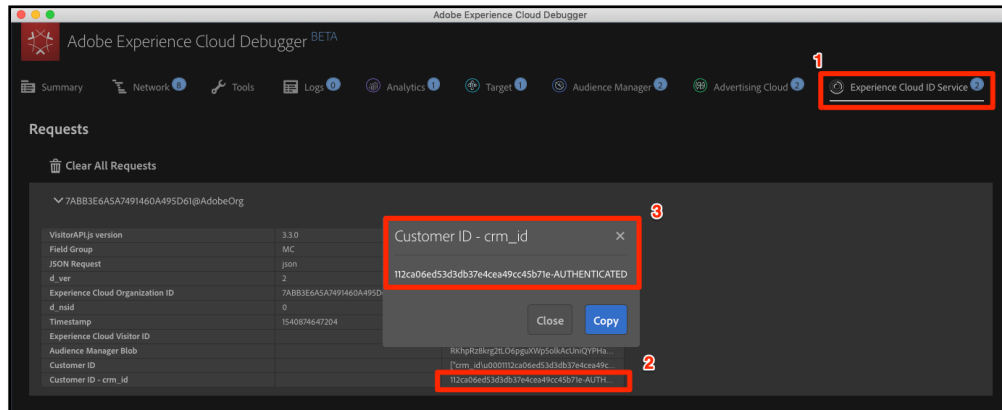
6. Return to the Homepage!

Exercise 5.2.3.1: Confirm the Customer IDs

Now, confirm the customer id is sent to the Service using the Debugger extension.

1. Make sure the tab with the We.Retail site is in focus
2. In the Debugger, go to the Experience Cloud ID Service tab
3. Expand your Org ID
4. Click on the cell with the *Customer ID* - *crm_id* value

- In the modal, note the customer id value and that the *AUTHENTICATED* state is reflected:



- Note that you can confirm the hashed email value by viewing the source code of the We.Retail page and looking at the username property. It should match the value you see in the Debugger:

```

87   "user": [
88     {
89       "profile": {
90         {
91           "profileInfo": {},
92           "attributes": {
93             "loggedIn": true,
94             "username": "112ca06ed53d3db37e4cea49cc45b71e"
95           }
96         }
97       }
98     }
99   ],

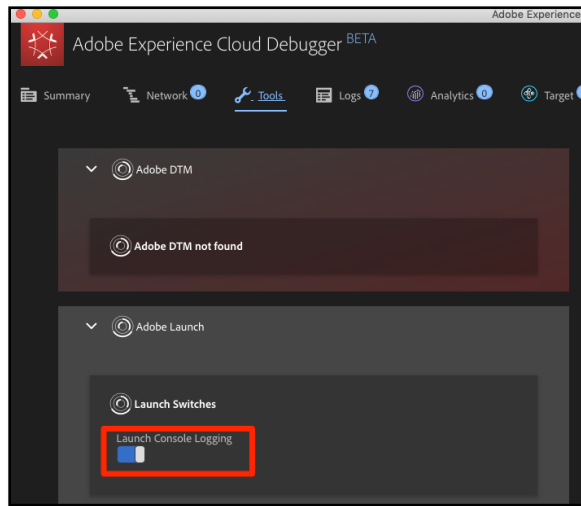
```

Exercise 5.2.4: Additional Validation Tips

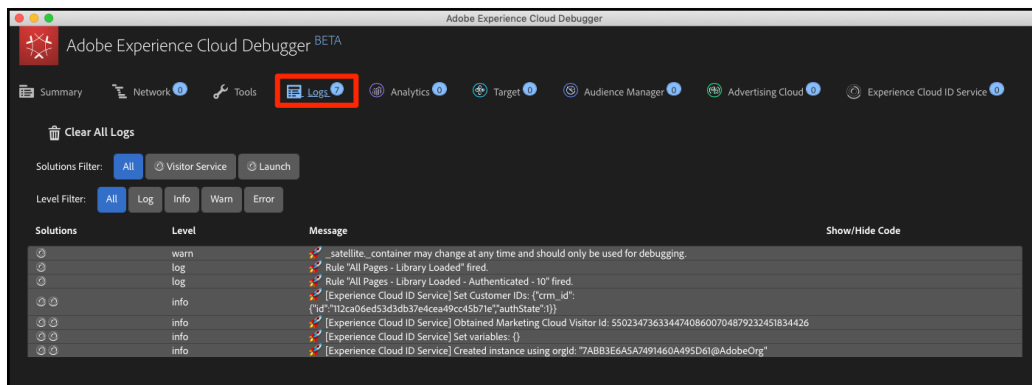
Launch also has rich console logging features. To turn them on:

- Go to the **[Tools]** tab in the Debugger

2. Turn on the [Launch Console Logging] toggle



This will turn on console logging both in your browser console and in the Logs tab of the Debugger. You should see the logging of all of the rules you have created so far! Note that new log entries are added to the top of the list, so your rule "All Pages - Library Loaded - Authenticated - 10" should fire before the "All Pages - Library Loaded" rule and appear below it in the Debugger's Console Logging:



Tip: All new log entries are added to the top of the list when using the Adobe Experience Cloud Debugger

Lesson 6 - Add Adobe Target

In this lesson, we will implement the [Adobe Target extension](#) with a global request and custom parameters.

[Adobe Target](#) is the Adobe Marketing Cloud solution that provides everything you need to tailor and personalize your customers' experience, so you can maximize revenue on your web and mobile sites, apps, social media, and other digital channels.

Learning Objectives

At the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

1. Add the pre-hiding snippet used to manage flicker when using Target with asynchronous Launch embed codes
2. Add the Target extension
3. Fire the global mbox
4. Add parameters to the global mbox
5. Explain how profile and entity parameters can be added to the global mbox
6. Fire the order confirmation mbox with required parameters
7. Explain how to add advanced configurations such as Library Header and Library Footer code
8. Validate a Target implementation

Exercise 6.1: Add the Target Pre-Hiding Snippet

Before we get started, we need to make a slight update to the Launch embed codes. When the Launch embed codes are loaded asynchronously, the page may finish rendering before the Target library is fully loaded and has performed its content swap. This can lead to what is known as "flicker" where default content briefly displays before being replaced by the personalized content specified by Target. If you want to avoid this flicker, we strongly recommend hardcoding a special pre-hiding snippet immediately before Launch's asynchronous embed codes.

This has already been done on the We.Retail site for you, but this the code you would put right above the embed code:

```
<script>
  //prehiding snippet for Adobe Target with asynchronous Launch deployment
  (function (g, b, d, f) { (function (a, c, d) { if (a) { var
e=b.createElement("style");e.id=c;e.innerHTML=d;a.appendChild(e) }) (b.getElementsByTagName
("head") [0], "at-body-style", d); setTimeout (function () { var
a=b.getElementsByTagName ("head") [0]; if (a) { var c=b.getElementById ("at-body-
style"); c&&a.removeChild(c) }, f) }) (window, document, "body {opacity: 0
!important}", 3E3);
</script>
```

You can view the source of We.Retail if you want to see where it is in the example around line 115.

This pre-hiding behavior is controlled by two configurations at the very end of the snippet, which can be customized but are usually best left on the default settings:

- `body {opacity: 0 !important}` specifies the CSS definition to use for the pre-hiding until Target loads. By default, the entire body will be hidden. If you have a consistent DOM structure with an easily identifiable container element wrapping all of the content below your navigation, for example, and you never wanted to test or personalize your navigation, you could use this setting to limit the pre-hiding to that container element.
- `3E3` which specifies the timeout setting for the pre-hiding. By default, if Target hasn't loaded in three seconds the page will be shown. This should be extremely rare.

For more details and to obtain the un-minified pre-hiding snippet, please see [the Adobe Target extension with an asynchronous deployment](#)

Exercise 6.2: Add the Target Extension

The Adobe Target extension supports client-side implementations using Target's JavaScript SDK for the modern web, `at.js`. Customers still using Target's older library, `mbox.js`, [should upgrade to `at.js`](#) in order to use Launch.

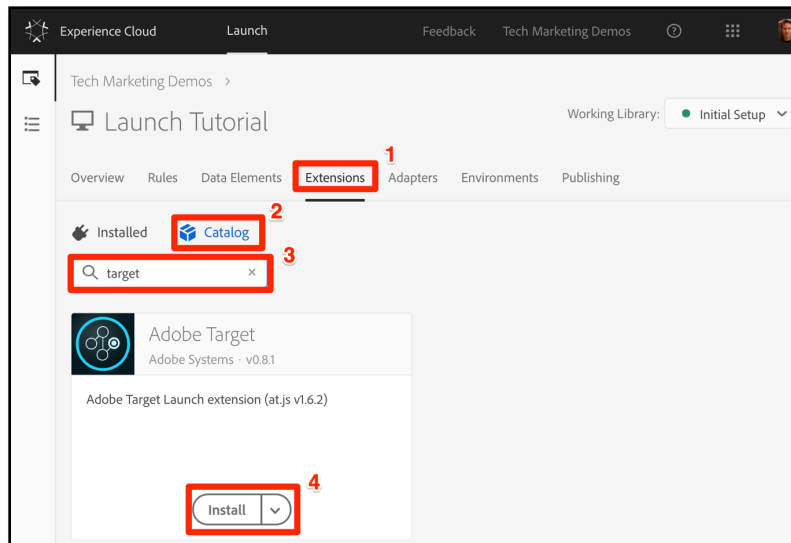
The Target extension consists of two main parts:

1. The extension configuration, which manages the core library settings
2. Rule actions to do the following:
 - i. Load Target (`at.js`)
 - ii. Add Params to All Mboxes
 - iii. Add Params to Global Mbox
 - iv. Fire Global Mbox

In this first exercise we will add the extension and look at the configurations. In later exercises we will use the actions.

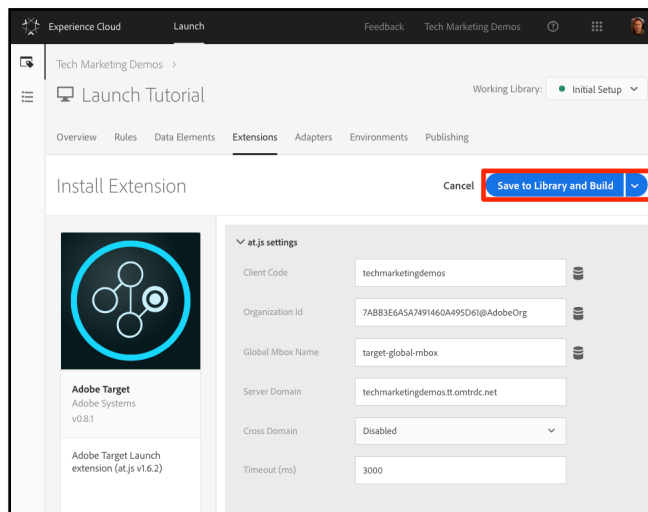
1. Go to **[Extensions > Catalog]**
2. Type `target` in the filter to quickly locate the Adobe Target extension

3. Click [Install]



4. When you add the extension, it will import many, but not all of your at.js settings from the Target interface, as pictured below. One setting that will not be imported is the Timeout, which will always be 3000ms after adding the extension. For the tutorial, leave the default settings. Note, that on the left-hand side it will show the at.js version that ships with the current version of the extension.

5. Click [Save to Library and Build]



At this point, Target isn't really doing anything, so there is nothing to validate.

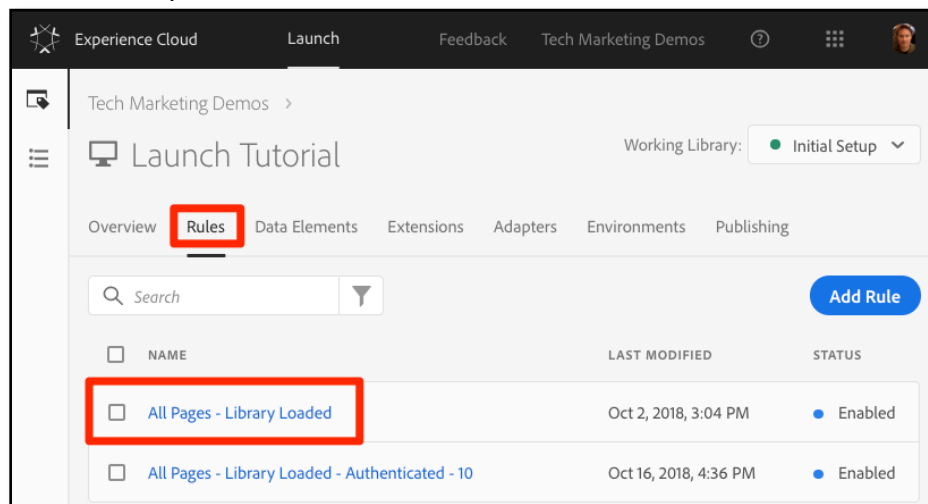
Each version of the Target extension comes with a specific version of at.js, which is listed in the extension description. You update the at.js version by updating the Target extension.

Exercise 6.3: Load Target and Fire the Global Mbox

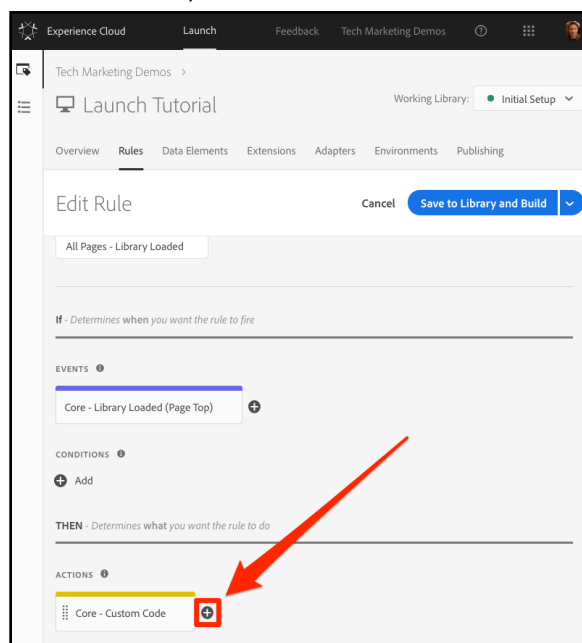
Marketers use Target to control the visitor experience on the page when testing and targeting content. Because of this important role in the display of the page, you should load Target as early as possible to minimize the impact on page visibility. In this section, we will load the Target JavaScript library - `at.js` - as well as fire the global mbox.

You can use the *ALL Pages - Library Loaded* rule you created in the lesson "[Add Data Elements, Rules and Libraries](#)" to implement Target because it is already triggered on the first event that will fire on a page load - the Library Loaded event.

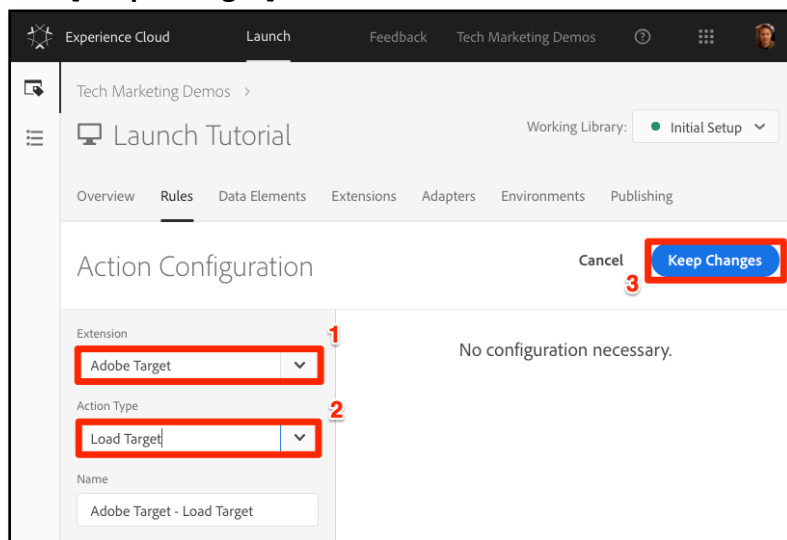
1. Go to the **[Rules]** in the top navigation and then click on *ALL Pages - Library Loaded* to open the rule editor



2. Under Actions, click the  to add a new action



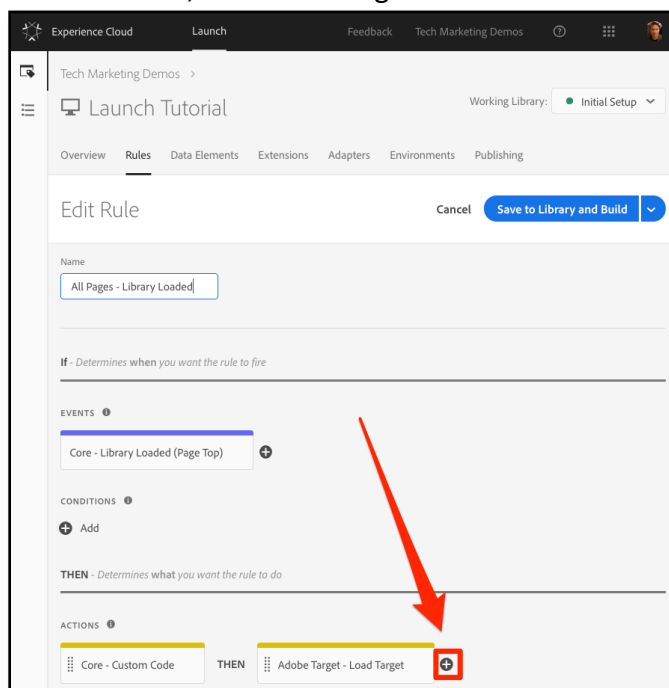
3. Select **[Extension > Adobe Target]**
4. Select **[Action Type > Load Target]**
5. Click **[Keep Changes]**



With the *Load Target* action added, at.js will load on the page. However, no Target requests will fire until we add the *Fire Global Mbox* action.

To add the *Fire Global Mbox* action

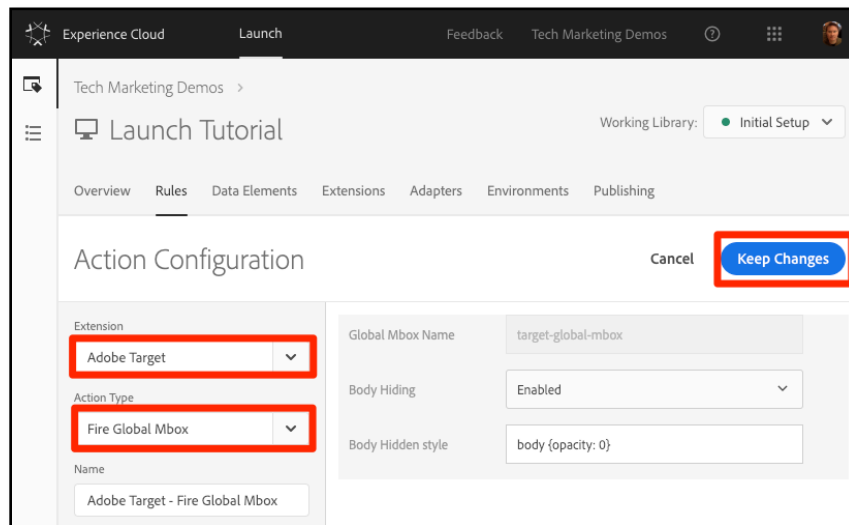
1. Under Actions, click the **+** again to add another action



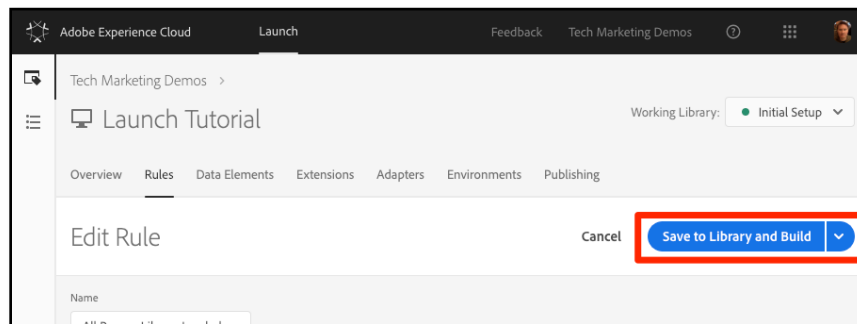
2. Select **[Extension > Adobe Target]**
3. Select **[Action Type > Fire Global Mbox]**
4. There are some configurations available for the global mbox related to whether or not to hide the page and CSS selector to use for pre-hiding. These settings work in

conjunction with the pre-hiding snippet hardcoded on the page. Leave the default settings.

5. Click **[Keep Changes]**



6. The new action is added in sequence after the *Load Target* action and the actions will execute in this order. You can drag-and-drop the actions to rearrange the order, but in this scenario, *Load Target* needs fire before the *Fire Global Mbox*.
7. Click **[Save to Library and Build]**

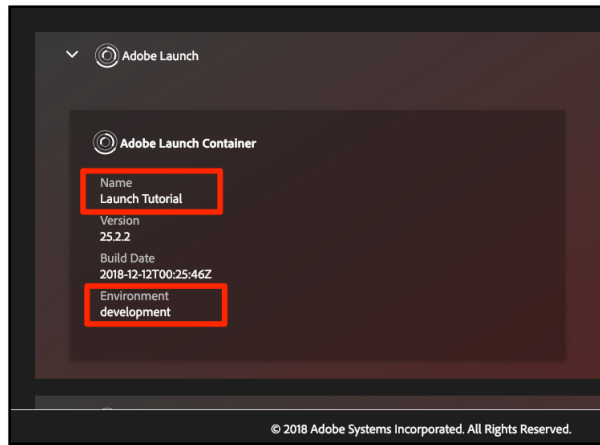


Exercise 6.3.1: Validate the Global Mbox

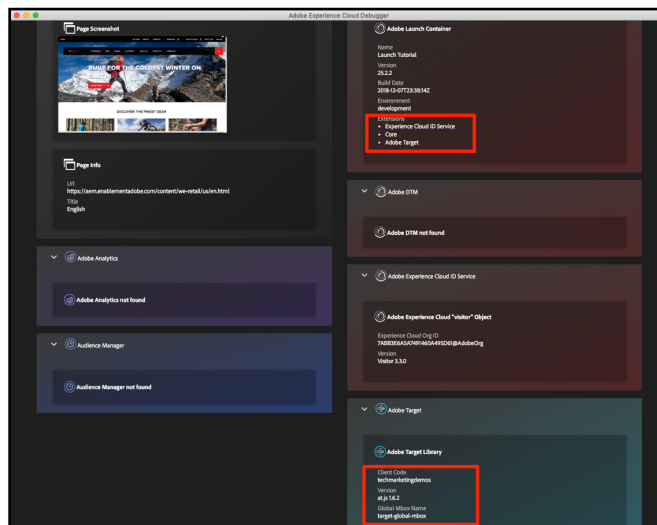
Now that you have added the Target extension and fired the *Load Target* and *Fire Global Mbox* actions, there should be a global mbox request made on all pages where your Launch property is used.

1. Open the [We.Retail site](#)

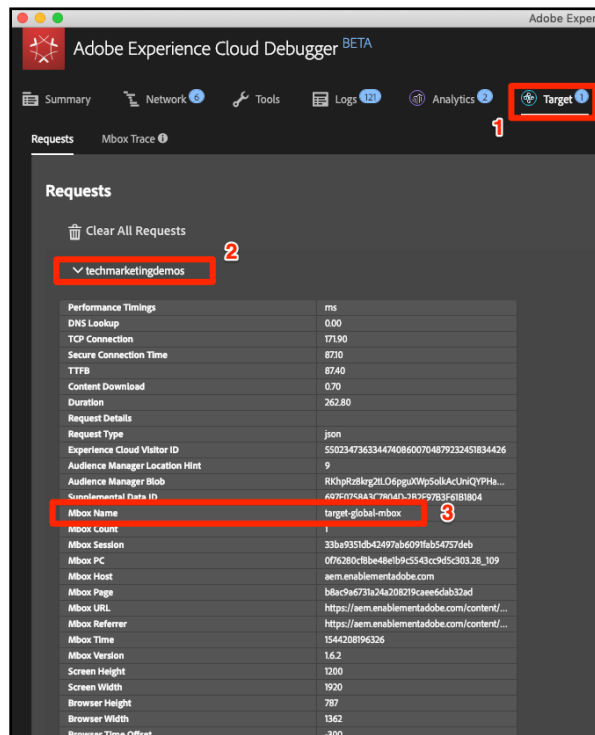
2. Make sure the Debugger is mapping the Launch property to *your* Development environment, as described in the [earlier lesson](#)



3. Go to the Summary Tab of the Debugger
4. In the *Launch* section, confirm that *Target* appears under the *Extensions* heading
5. In the *Target* section, confirm that your client code, at.js library version, and your global mbox name appear



- Finally, go to the *Target* tab, expand your client code, and confirm that the request for your global mbox appears:



Congratulations! You've implemented the global mbox!

Exercise 6.4: Add Parameters

Passing parameters in the Target request adds powerful capabilities to your targeting, testing, and personalization activities. The Launch extension provides two actions to pass parameters:

- Add Params to Global Mbox*, which adds parameters to global mbox requests (equivalent to the [targetPageParams\(\)](#) method)
- Add Params to ALL Mboxes*, which adds parameters in all mbox requests, e.g. the global mbox **plus** additional mbox requests made from Custom Code actions or hardcoded on your site (equivalent to the [targetPageParamsAll\(\)](#) method)

These actions can be used *before* the *Load Target* action and can set different parameters on different pages based on your rule configurations. Use the rule ordering feature you used when setting Customer IDs with the ID Service to set additional parameters on the *Library Loaded* event before the rule firing the global mbox.

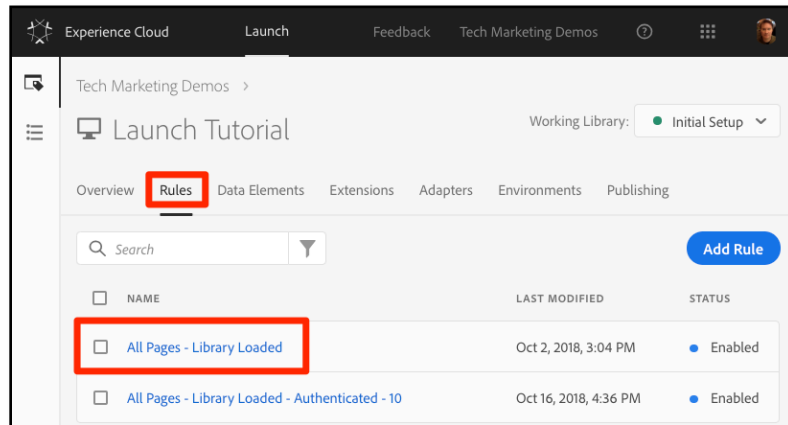
Tip: Since most implementations use the global mbox for activity delivery, it is usually sufficient to just use the Add Params to Global Mbox action.

Exercise 6.4.1: Add an Mbox Parameter

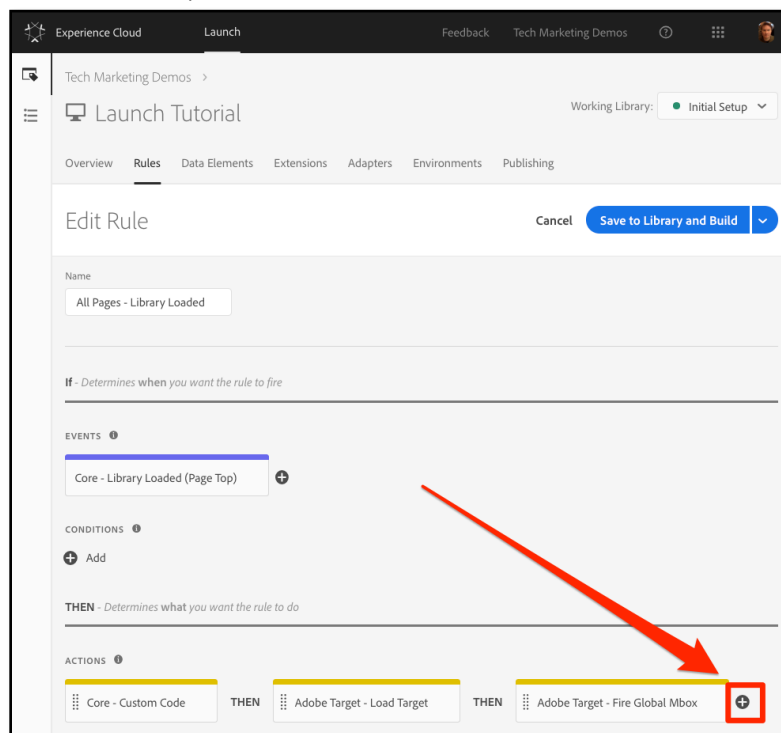
Mbox parameters are used to pass custom data to Target, enriching your personalization capabilities. They are ideal for attributes that change frequently during a browsing session such as the page name, template, etc. and do not persist.

Let's add the *Page Name* data element that we created earlier in the [Add Data Elements, Rules and Libraries](#) lesson as an mbox parameter.


1. Go to the **[Rules]** in the top navigation and then click on *ALL Pages - Library Loaded* to open the rule editor.

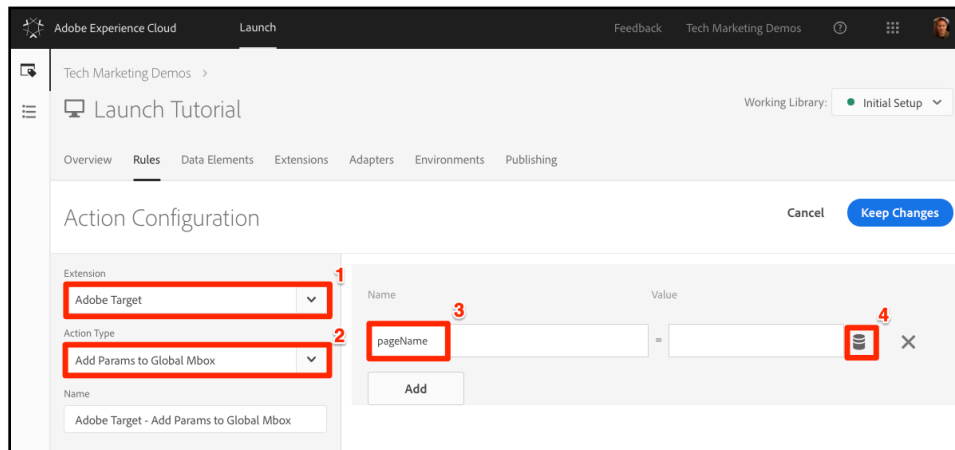


2. Under Actions, click the **+** to add a new action

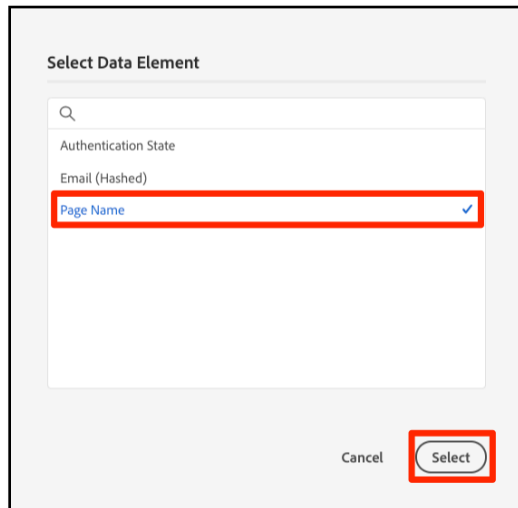


3. Select **[Extension > Adobe Target]**
4. Select **[Action Type > Add Params to Global Mbox]**
5. Enter *pageName* as the **[Name]**

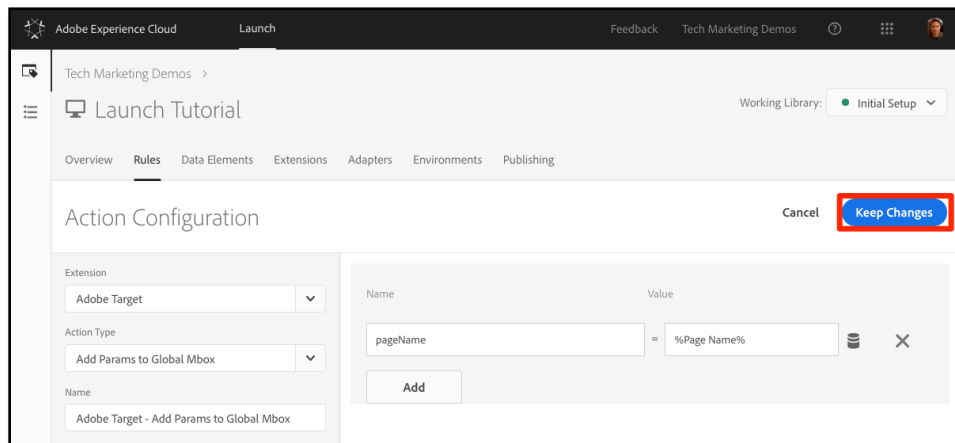
6. Click the  to open the data element modal



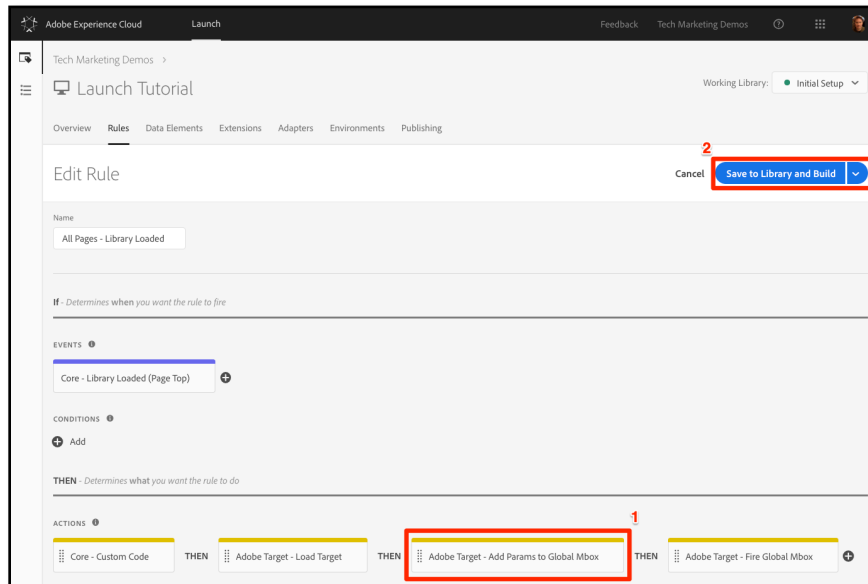
7. Click the *Page Name* data element
8. Click the **[Select]** button



9. Click **[Keep Changes]**



10. Click-and-drag on the left edge of the *Add Params to Global Mbox* action to rearrange the actions so that *Add Params to Global Mbox* is before the *Fire Global Mbox* action (it can be before or after *Load Target*)
11. Click **[Save to Library and Build]**



Exercise 6.4.1.1: Validate the Mbox Parameter

Reload the We.Retail site with it mapped to your property with Experience Cloud Debugger. Now go to the **[Target]** tab in the Debugger. Expand your client code and look at the requests. You should see the new *pageName* parameter passed in the request:

Browser Height	1032
Browser Width	1381
Browser Time Offset	-240
Color Depth	24
Param: mboxRid	3f58fdce1f443e5acb1dc20f0f06211
Param: devicePixelRatio	1
Param: screenOrientation	landscape
Param: webGLRenderer	Intel(R) Iris(TM) Graphics 550
Param: pageName	content:we-retail.us.en

Exercise 6.4.2: Profile Parameters

Similar to mbox parameters, profile parameters are also passed through the Target request. However, profile parameters get stored in Target's visitor profile database and will persist for the [duration of the visitor's profile](#). You can set them on one page of your site and use them in Target activities on another page. Here is an example from an automobile website. When a visitor goes to a vehicle page, you could pass a profile parameter "profile.lastViewed=sportscar" to record their interest in that particular vehicle. When the visitor browses to other, non-vehicle pages you can target content based on their last vehicle viewed. Profile parameters are ideal for attributes that rarely change or are only available on certain pages

You won't pass any profile parameters in this tutorial, but the workflow is almost identical to what you just did when passing the *pageName* mbox parameter. The one difference is you need to give profile parameter names a *profile.* prefix. This is what a profile parameter called "userType" would look like in the *Pass Parameters to Global Mbox* action:

Name	Value
profile.userType	= %User Type%

Exercise 6.4.3: Entity Parameters

Entity parameters are special parameters used in [Recommendations implementations](#) for three main reasons:

1. As a key to trigger product recommendations. For example, when using a recommendations algorithm like "People who viewed Product X, also viewed Y," "X" is the "key" of the recommendation. It is usually the product sku (*entity.id*) or category (*entity.categoryId*) that the visitor is currently viewing.
2. To collect visitor behavior to power recommendations algorithms, such as "Recently Viewed Products" or "Most Viewed Products"
3. To populate the Recommendations catalog. Recommendations contains a database of all of the products or articles on your website, so they can be served in the recommendation offer. For example, when recommending products, you typically want to display attributes like the product name (*entity.name*) and image (*entity.thumbnailUrl*). Some customers populate their catalog using backend feeds, but they can also be populated using entity parameters in Target requests.

You don't need to pass any profile parameters in this tutorial, but the workflow is identical to what you did earlier when passing the *pageName* mbox parameter - just give the parameter a name prefixed with "entity." and map it to the relevant data element. Note that some common entities have reserved names that must be used (e.g. *entity.id* for the product sku). This is what it would look like to set entity parameters in the *Pass Parameters to Global Mbox* action:

Name	Value
entity.id	= %Product SKU (Target)%
entity.name	= %Product Name%
entity.pageUrl	= %Product Path%
entity.categoryId	= %Product Category%
entity.thumbnailUrl	= %Product Thumbnail Path%

Exercise 6.4.4: Add Customer ID Parameters

The collection of customer ids with the Experience Cloud ID Service makes it easy to import CRM data into Target using the [Customer Attributes](#) feature of the Adobe Experience Cloud. It also enables [cross-device visitor stitching](#), allowing you to maintain a consistent user experience as your customers switch between say a laptop and their mobile device.

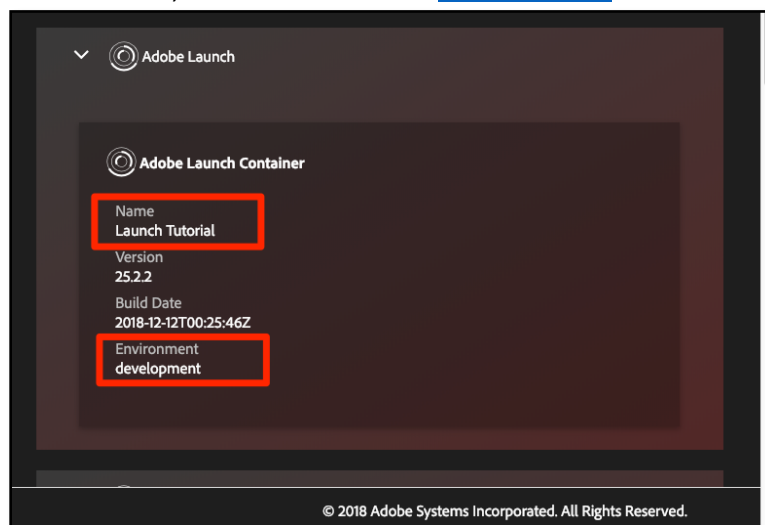
It is imperative that the Customer ID is set in the ID Service's *Set Customer IDs* action before firing the global mbox. To that end, make sure you have the following capabilities on your site:

- The customer ID must be available on the page before the Launch Embed Code
- The Experience Cloud ID Service extension must be installed
- You must use the "Set Customer IDs" action in a rule that fires at the "Library Loaded (Page Top)" event
- Use the "Fire global mbox" action in a rule that fires *after* the "Set Customer IDs" action

In the previous lesson, [Add the Experience Cloud ID Service](#), you created the *ALL Pages - Library Loaded - Authenticated - 10* rule to fire the "Set Customer ID" action. Because this rule has an *Order* setting of *10*, the customer ids are set before our our global mbox fires from the *ALL Pages - Library Loaded* rule with its *Order* setting of *50*. So, you have already implemented the collection of customer ids for Target!

Exercise 6.4.4.1: Validate the Customer ID

1. Open the [We.Retail site](#)
2. Make sure the Debugger is mapping the Launch property to *your* Development environment, as described in the [earlier lesson](#)



3. Log into the We.Retail site using the credentials *test@adobe.com/test*
4. Return to the [We.Retail homepage](#)
5. Open the Debugger
6. Go to the Target tab

7. Expand your client code
8. You should see parameters in the latest Target request for `vst.crm_id.id` and `vst.crm_id.authState`. `vst.crm_id.id` should have a value of the hashed email address and `vst.crm_id.authState` should have a value of `1` to represent *authenticated*. Note that `crm_id` is the *Integration Code* you specified in the ID Service configuration and must align with the key you use in your [Customer Attributes data file](#)

Param: mboxRid	125c7ff93c024e2db2785b4855833d5b
Param: devicePixelRatio	1
Param: screenOrientation	landscape
Param: webGLRenderer	Intel(R) Iris(TM) Graphics 550
Param: pageName	content:we-retail:us:en
Param: vst.crm_id.id	112ca06ed53d3db37e4cea49cc45b71e
Param: vst.crm_id.authState	1

Warning: The Experience Cloud ID Service will allow you to send multiple ids to the Service, however, only the first one will be sent to Target.

Exercise 6.4.5: Add the Property Token Parameter (optional)

This is an optional exercise for Target Premium customers.

The property token is a reserved parameter used with the Target Premium [Enterprise User Permissions](#) feature. It is used to define different digital properties so that different members of an Experience Cloud Organization can be assigned different permissions on each property. For example, you might want one group of users to be able to set up Target activities on your web site, but not in your mobile application.

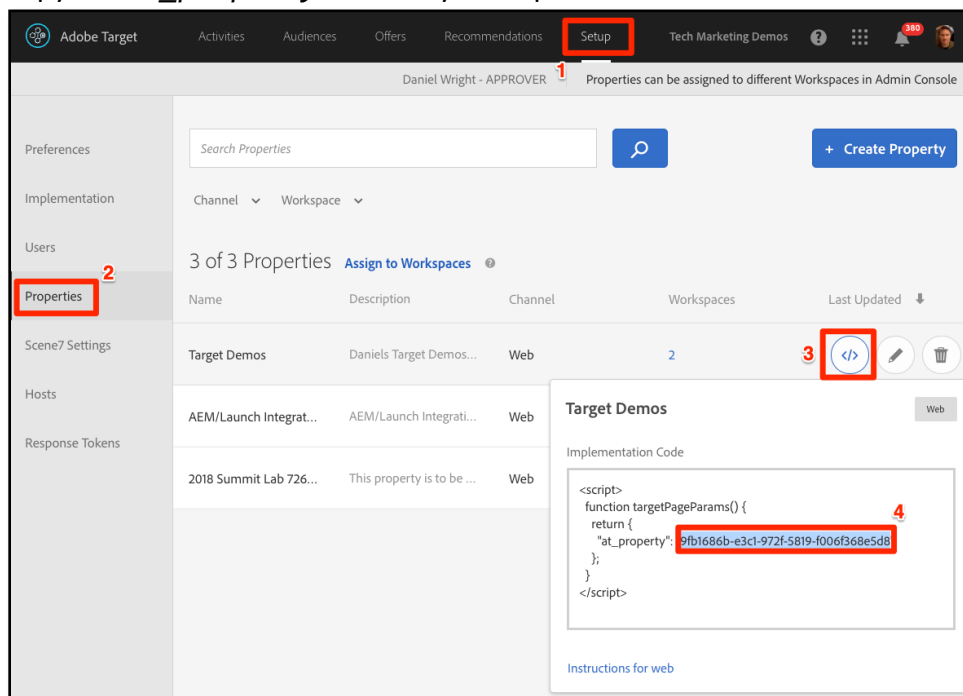
Target properties are analogous to Launch properties and Analytics report suites. An enterprise with multiple brands, websites, and marketing teams might use a different Target property, Launch property and Analytics report suite for each website or mobile app. Launch properties are differentiated by their embed codes, Analytics report suites are differentiated by their report suite id, and Target properties are differentiated by their property token parameter.

The property token is implemented just like an mbox parameter. Just name the parameter "at_property" and paste in the value provided in the Target interface. If you are implementing multiple sites with a single Launch property, you could manage the at_property value via a data element.

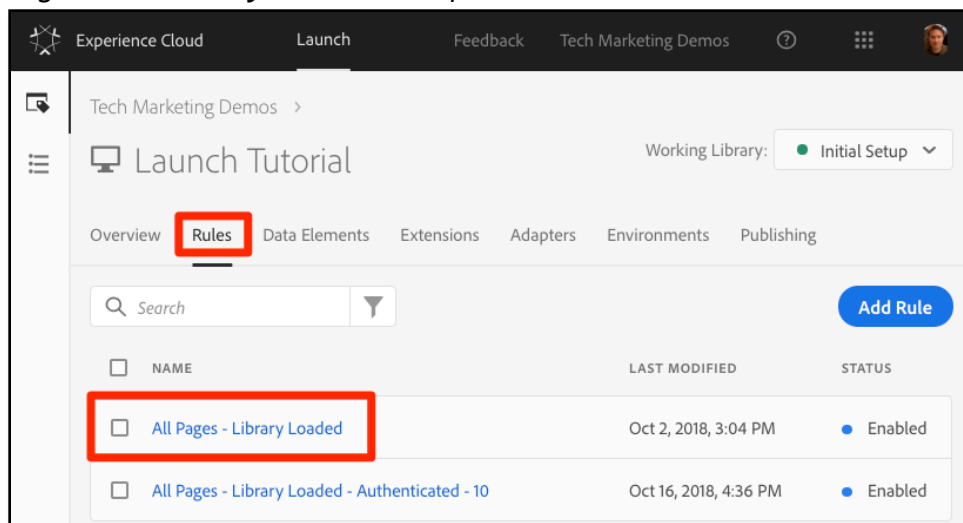
Here is an optional exercise, if you are a Target Premium customer and would like to implement a property token in your Tutorial property:

1. In a separate tab, open the Target user interface
2. Go to **[Setup > Properties]**

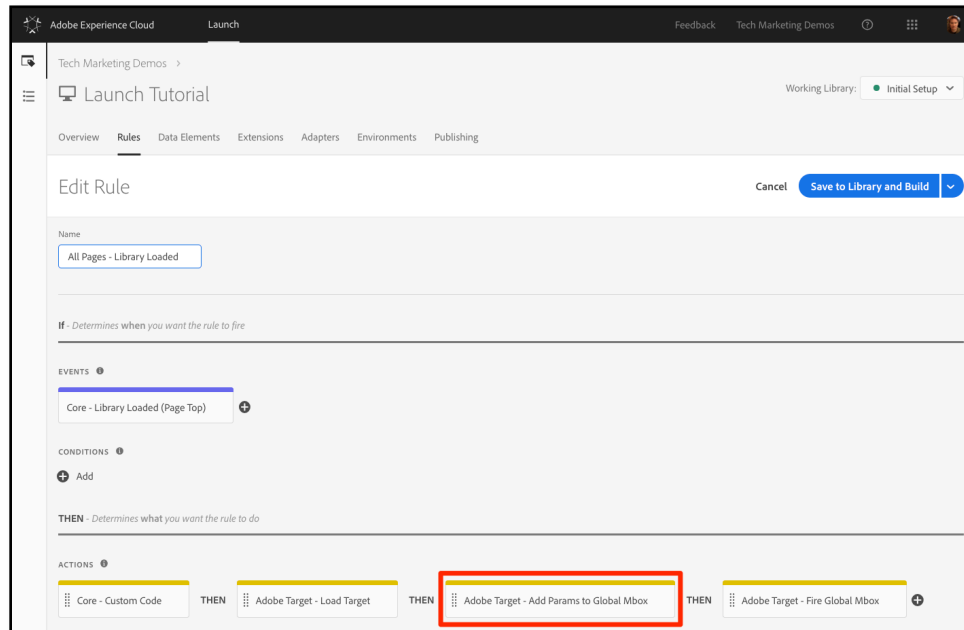
3. Identify the Property that you want to use and click the [</>] (or create a new property)
4. Copy the `at_property` value to your clipboard



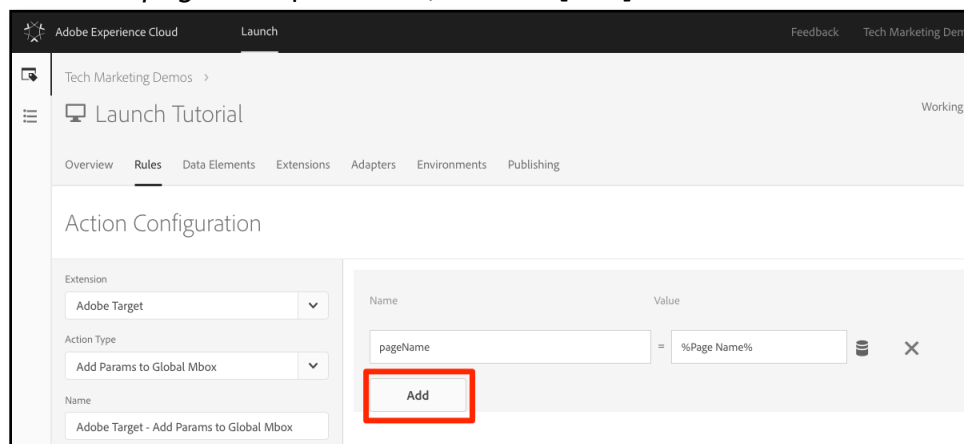
5. In your Launch tab, go to the [Rules] in the top navigation and then click on *ALL Pages - Library Loaded* to open the rule editor.



6. Under Actions, click the *Adobe Target - Add Params to Global Mbox* action to open the *Action Configuration*

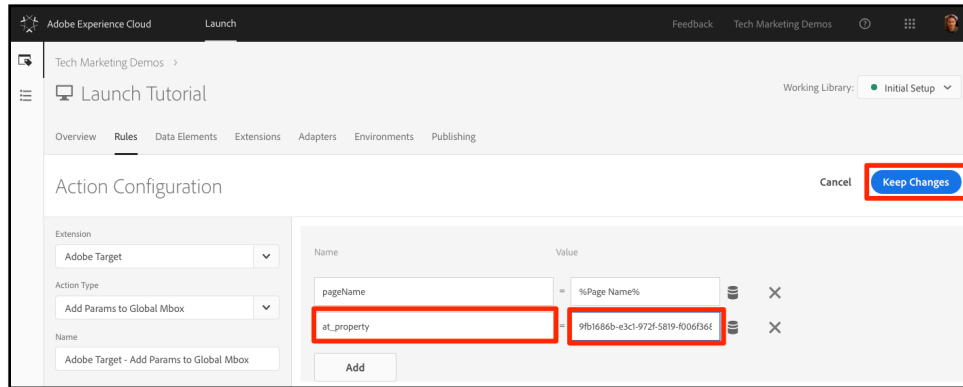


7. Under the *pageName* parameter, click the **[Add]** button

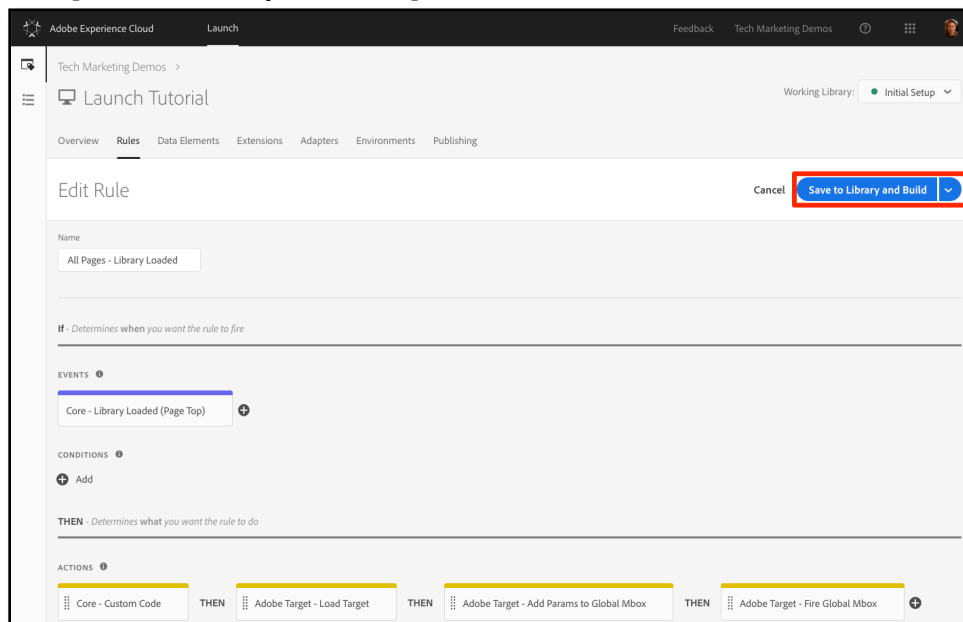


8. Name the parameter *at_property* and paste in the value you copied from the Target interface

9. Click [Keep Changes]

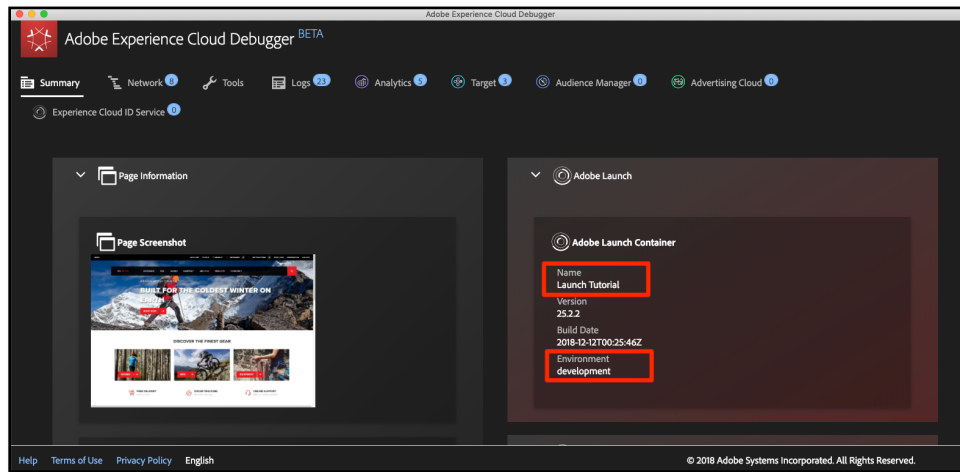


10. Click [Save to Library and Build]



Exercise 6.4.5.1: Validate the Property Token

1. Open the [We.Retail site](#)
2. Make sure the Debugger is mapping the Launch property to *your* Development environment, as described in the [earlier lesson](#)



3. Open the Debugger
4. Go to the *Target* tab
5. Expand your client code
6. You should see the parameter for "at_property" in every global mbox request as you browse the site:

Param: screenOrientation	landscape
Param: webGLRenderer	Intel(R) Iris(TM) Graphics 550
Param: pageName	content:we-retail:us:en
Param: at_property	9fb1686b-e3c1-972f-5819-f006f368e5d8
Param: vst.crm_id.id	112ca06ed53d3db37e4cea49cc45b71e
Param: vst.crm_id.authState	1

Exercise 6.4.6: Add an Order Confirmation mbox

The order confirmation mbox is a special type of mbox used to define order submissions in Target. The inclusion of three specific mbox parameters - `orderId`, `orderTotal`, and `productPurchasedId` - is what turns an mbox into an order mbox. In addition to reporting revenue, the order mbox also does the following:

1. De-duplicates accidental order resubmissions
2. Filters extreme orders (any order whose total was more than three standard deviations from the mean)
3. Uses a different algorithm behind the scenes to calculate statistical confidence
4. Creates a special, downloadable Audit report of individual order details

The best practice is to use and order confirmation mbox in all order funnels, even on non-retail sites. For example, lead generation sites usually have lead funnels with a unique "lead id" generated at the end. These sites should implement an order mbox, using a static value (e.g. "1") for the `orderTotal`.

Customers using the Analytics for Target (A4T) integration for most of their reporting should also implement the order mbox, since A4T is not yet compatible with activity types like Auto Allocate, Automated Personalization and Auto Target. Additionally, the order mbox is a critical element in Recommendations implementations, powering algorithms based on purchase behavior.

The order confirmation mbox should fire from a rule that is only triggered on your order confirmation page or event. Often, it can be combined with a rule setting the Adobe Analytics purchase event. It must be configured using the Custom Code action of the Core extension, using the appropriate data elements to set the `orderId`, `orderTotal`, and `productPurchasedId` parameters.

Let's add the data elements and rule we need to fire an order confirmation mbox on the We.Retail site. Since you have already created several data elements, these instructions will be abbreviated.

To create the data element for Order Id

1. Click **[Data Elements]** in the top navigation
2. Click **[Add Data Element]**
3. Name the data element *Order Id*
4. Select **[Data Element Type > JavaScript Variable]**
5. Use `digitalData.cart.orderId` as the *Path to Variable*
6. Check the *Clean text* option
7. Click **[Save to Library and Build]**

To create the data element for the Cart Amount

1. Click **[Add Data Element]**
2. Name the data element *Cart Amount*
3. Select **[Data Element Type > JavaScript Variable]**
4. Use `digitalData.cart.cartAmount` as the *Path to Variable*
5. Check the *Clean text* option
6. Click **[Save to Library and Build]**

To create the data element for Cart SKUs (Target)

1. Click **[Add Data Element]**
2. Name the data element *Cart SKUs (Target)*
3. Select **[Data Element Type > Custom Code]**
4. For Target, the skus must be a comma separated list. This custom code will reformat the data layer array into the proper format. In the custom code editor, paste the following:

```

var targetProdSkus="";
for (var i=0; i<digitalData.cart.cartEntries.length; i++) {
  if(i>0) {
    targetProdSkus = targetProdSkus + ",";
  }
  targetProdSkus = targetProdSkus + digitalData.cart.cartEntries[i].sku;
}
return targetProdSkus;

```

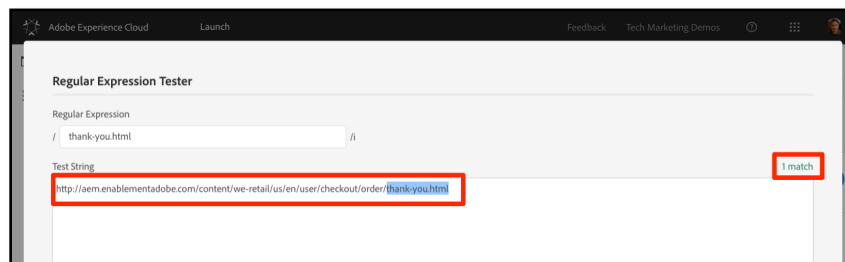
5. Check the *Force Lowercase value* option
6. Check the *Clean text* option
7. Click **[Save to Library and Build]**

Now we need to create a rule to fire the global mbox with the order parameters on the order confirmation page.

To create the rule for Order Confirmation page

1. Click **[Rules]** in the top navigation
2. Click **[Add Rule]**
3. Name the rule *Order Confirmation Page - Library Loaded - 60*
4. Click **[Events > Add]**
 - i. Select **[Event Type > Library Loaded (Page Top)]**
 - ii. Change the *Order* to *60* so that it will fire after the *Load Target* action (which is in our *ALL Pages - Library Loaded* rule where *Order* is set to *50*)
 - iii. Click **[Keep Changes]**
5. Click **[Conditions > Add]**
 - i. Select **[Condition Type > Path Without Query String]**
 - ii. For *Path equals* enter *thank-you.html*
 - iii. Toggle on the *Regex* option to change the logic from *equals* to *contains* (you can use the *Test* feature to confirm the test will pass with the URL

https://aem.enablementadobe.com/content/we-retail/us/en/user/checkout/order/thank-you.html



- iv. Click **[Keep Changes]**
6. Click **[Actions > Add]**
 - i. Select **[Action Type > Custom Code]**
 - ii. Click **[Open Editor]**

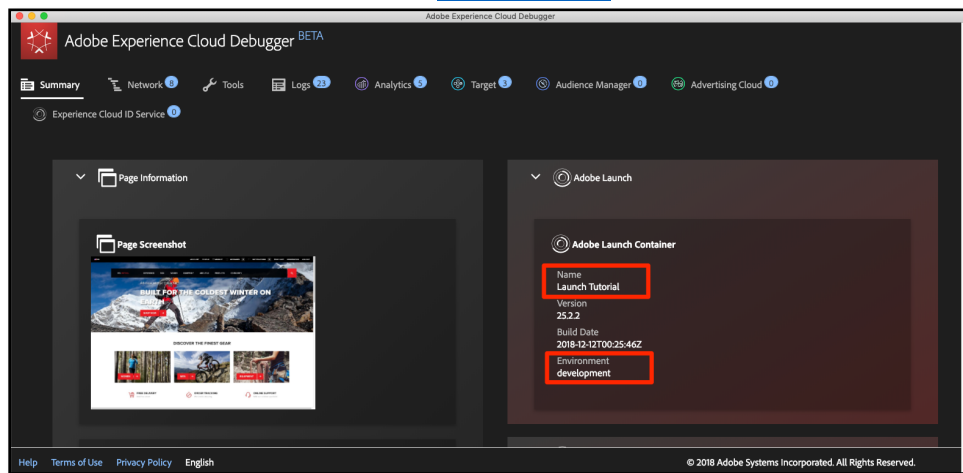
iii. Paste the following code into the *Edit Code* modal

```
adobe.target.getOffer({
  "mbox": "orderConfirmPage",
  "params": {
    "orderId": _satellite.getVar('Order Id'),
    "orderTotal": _satellite.getVar('Cart Amount'),
    "productPurchasedId": _satellite.getVar('Cart SKUs (Target)')
  },
  "success": function(offer) {
    adobe.target.applyOffer({
      "mbox": "orderConfirmPage",
      "offer": offer
    });
  },
  "error": function(status, error) {
    console.log('Error', status, error);
  }
});
```

- iv. Click **[Save]** to save the custom code
 - v. Click **[Keep Changes]** to keep the action
7. Click **[Save to Library and Build]**

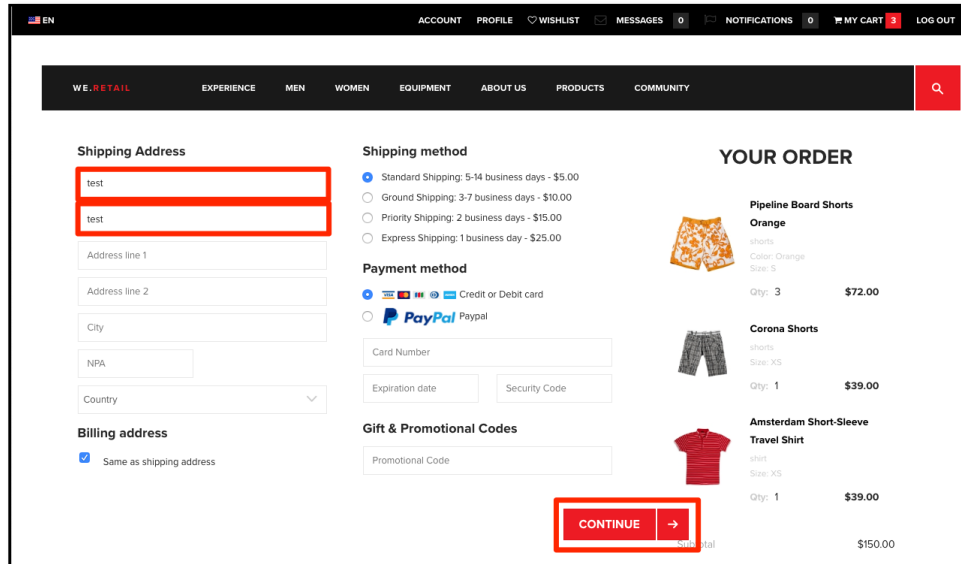
Exercise 6.4.6.1: Validate the Order Confirmation Mbox

1. Open the [We.Retail site](#)
2. Make sure the Debugger is mapping the Launch property to *your* Development environment, as described in the [earlier lesson](#)



3. Browse the site and add several products to your cart
4. Continue to checkout

- During the checkout process the only required fields are *First Name* and *Last Name*



- On the Review Order page, be sure to click the *Place Order* button
- Look in the Debugger
- Go to the Target tab
- Expand your client code
- You should see the *orderConfirmPage* request as the latest Target request with the *orderId*, *orderTotal*, and *productPurchasedId* parameters populated with the details of your order

request type	jsurl	jsurl
Experience Cloud Visitor ID	55023473633447408600704879232451834426	55023473633447408600704879232451834426
Audience Manager Location Hint	9	9
Audience Manager Blob	RkhpRz8krg2tLO6pguXWpSolkAcUniQYPHa...	RkhpRz8krg2tLO6pguXWpSolkAcUniQYPHa...
Supplemental Data ID	465E4436ECD37841-4E0A7423F914EFAC	465F4436FCD37841-4F0A7423F914EFAC
Mbox Name	target-global-mbox	orderConfirmPage
Mbox Count	1	2
Mbox Session	dc92196d84c942e282fd6dbe0db2607d	dc92196d84c942e282fd6dbe0db2607d
Mbox PC	0f6280cf8be48eb1b9c5543cc9d5c303.17_109	0f6280cf8be48eb1b9c5543cc9d5c303.17_109
Mbox Host	aem.enablementadobe.com	aem.enablementadobe.com
Mbox Page	819a8a65abcd4c8790d4ab20c897d2e1	819a8a65abcd4c8790d4ab20c897d2e1
Mbox URL	http://aem.enablementadobe.com/content/...	http://aem.enablementadobe.com/content/...
Mbox Referrer	http://aem.enablementadobe.com/content/...	http://aem.enablementadobe.com/content/...
Mbox Time	154123200508	1541232005086
Mbox Version	1.6.2	1.6.2
Screen Height	1200	1200
Screen Width	1920	1920
Browser Height	500	500
Browser Width	1294	1294
Browser Time Offset	-240	-240
Color Depth	24	24
Param: mboxRid	180a1b38ad8d426bbe51f9622b74e4ea	fb5ca7a1805e40148ae206d7aa290293
Param: devicePixelRatio	1	1
Param: screenOrientation	landscape	landscape
Param: webGLRenderer	Intel(R) Iris(TM) Graphics 550	Intel(R) Iris(TM) Graphics 550
Param: pageName	content-we-retail.us:en:user:checkout-order...	
Param: vst.crm_id.id	112ca06ed53d3db37e4cea49cc45b71e	112ca06ed53d3db37e4cea49cc45b71e
Param: vst.crm_id.authState	1	1
Param: orderId		987e4b55-a4c0-4c8a-a473-2935d3e93a11
Param: orderTotal		150
Param: productPurchasedId		mesusupis.1-s.mehisucos-xs.meotsuam-xs

Exercise 6.4.7: Custom mboxes

There are rare instances when you need to make Target requests other than the global and order confirmation mbox. For example, sometimes important data you would like to use for personalization is not defined on the page before the Launch embed codes - it might be hardcoded on the bottom of the page or get returned from an asynchronous API request. This data can still be sent to Target using an additional request, although it will not be optimal to use this request for content delivery since the page will already be visible. It can be used to enrich the visitor profile for later use (using profile parameters) or to populate the Recommendations catalog.

In these circumstances, use the Custom Code action in the Core extension to fire an mbox using the [getOffer\(\)/applyOffer\(\)](#) and [trackEvent\(\)](#) methods. This is very similar to what you just did in the [Order Confirmation mbox](#) exercise, but you will just use a different mbox name and will not use the special order parameters. Be sure to use the **[Load Target]** action before making mbox calls from custom code.

All links available at adobe.com/go/summit2019-1779

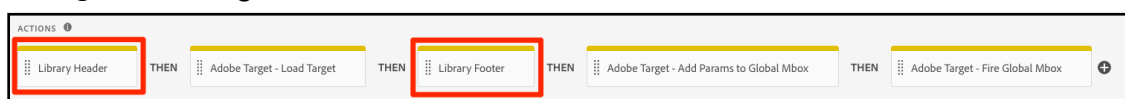
Exercise 6.5: Library Header and Library Footer

The Edit at.js screen in the Target user interface has locations in which you can paste custom JavaScript that will execute immediately before or after the at.js file.

The Library Header is sometimes used to override at.js settings via the [targetGlobalSettings\(\)](#) function or pass data from third parties using the [Data Providers](#) feature

The Library Footer is sometimes used to add [at.js library extensions](#) or [at.js custom event](#) listeners.

To replicate this capability in Launch, just use the Custom Code action in the Core extension and sequence the action before (Library Header) or after (Library Footer) the Load Target action. This can be done in the same rule as the *Load Target* action (as pictured below) or in separate rules with events or order settings that will reliably fire before or after the rule containing *Load Target*:



To learn more about use cases for custom headers and footers see the following resources:

- [Use dataProviders to integrate third-party data into Adobe Target](#)
- [Implement dataProviders to integrate third-party data into Adobe Target](#)
- [Use Response Tokens and at.js Custom Events with Adobe Target](#)

Lesson 7 - Add Adobe Analytics

In this lesson, you will implement the [Adobe Analytics extension](#) and create rules to send data to Adobe Analytics.

[Adobe Analytics](#) is an industry-leading solution that empowers you to understand your customers as people and steer your business with customer intelligence.

Learning Objectives

At the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

1. Add the Adobe Analytics extension
2. Set global variables using the extension
3. Add the page view beacon
4. Add additional variables using rules
5. Add click-tracking and other event-based beacons
6. Add Analytics plugins

There are many things that could be implemented for Analytics in Launch. This lesson is not exhaustive, but should give you a solid overview of the main techniques you will need for implementing in your own site.

Prerequisites

You should have already completed the lessons in [Configure Launch](#) and [Add the ID Service](#).

Additionally, you will need at least one report suite ID and your tracking server. If you don't have a test/dev report suite that you can use for this tutorial, please create one. If you are unsure how to do that, see [the documentation](#). You can retrieve your tracking server from your current implementation, Adobe Consultant or Customer Care representative.

Exercise 7.1: Add the Analytics Extension

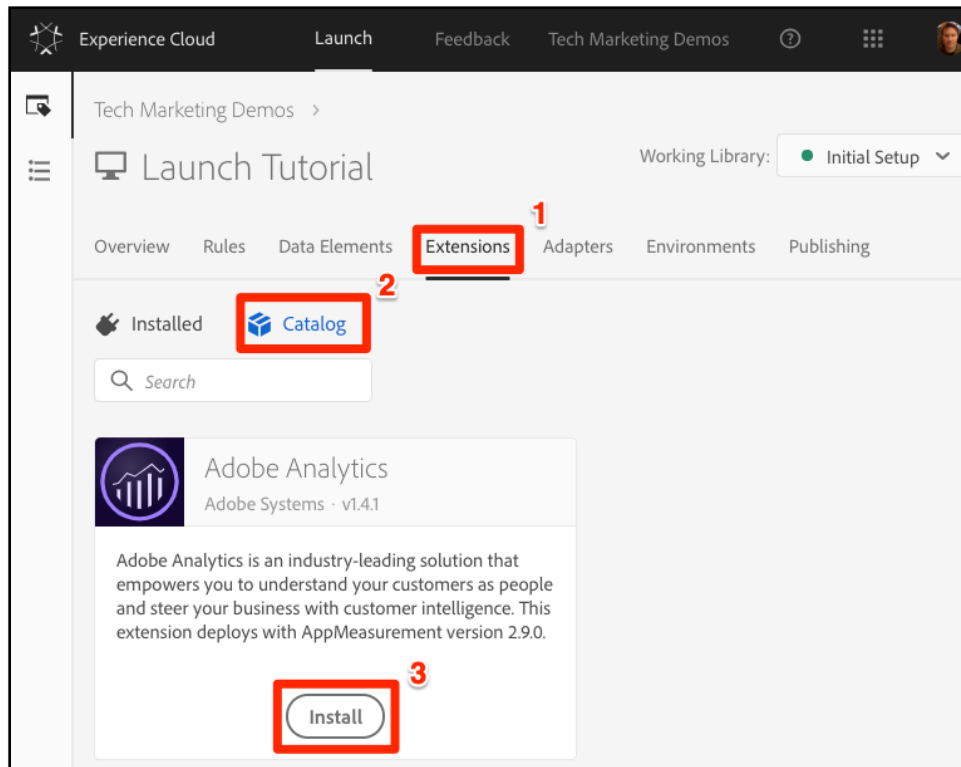
The Analytics extension consists of two main parts:

1. The extension configuration, which manages the core AppMeasurement.js library settings and can set global variables
2. Rule actions to do the following:
 - i. Set Variables
 - ii. Clear Variables
 - iii. Send the Analytics Beacon

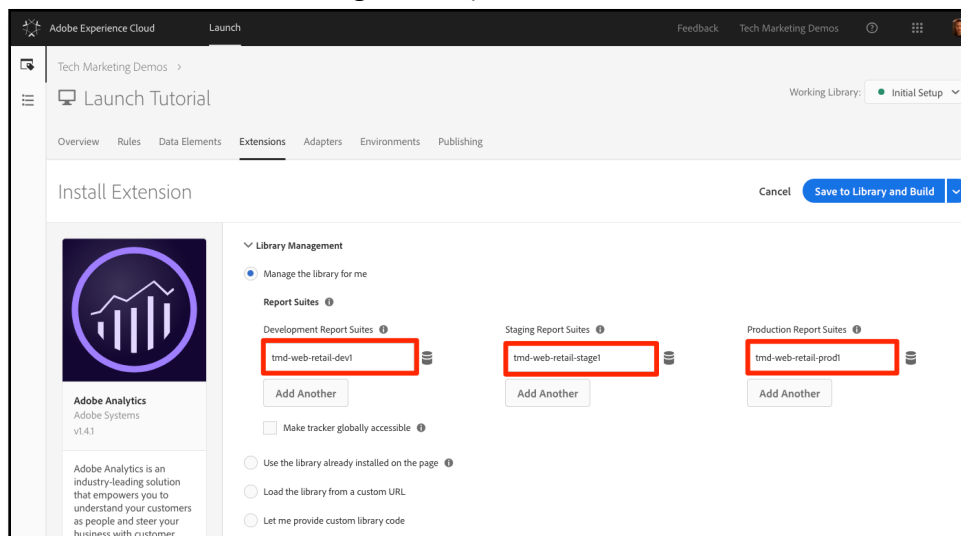
To add the Analytics extension

1. Go to **[Extensions > Catalog]**
2. Locate the Adobe Analytics extension

3. Click [Install]

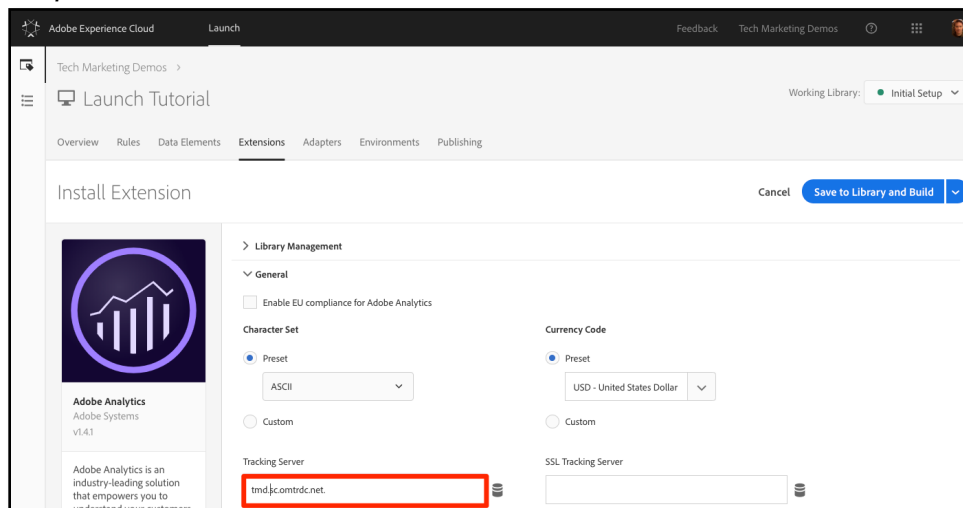



4. Under [Library Management > Report Suites], enter the report suite ids you would like to use with each Launch environment (It's okay to use one report suite for all environments in this tutorial, but in real life you would want to use separate report suites, as shown in the image below)

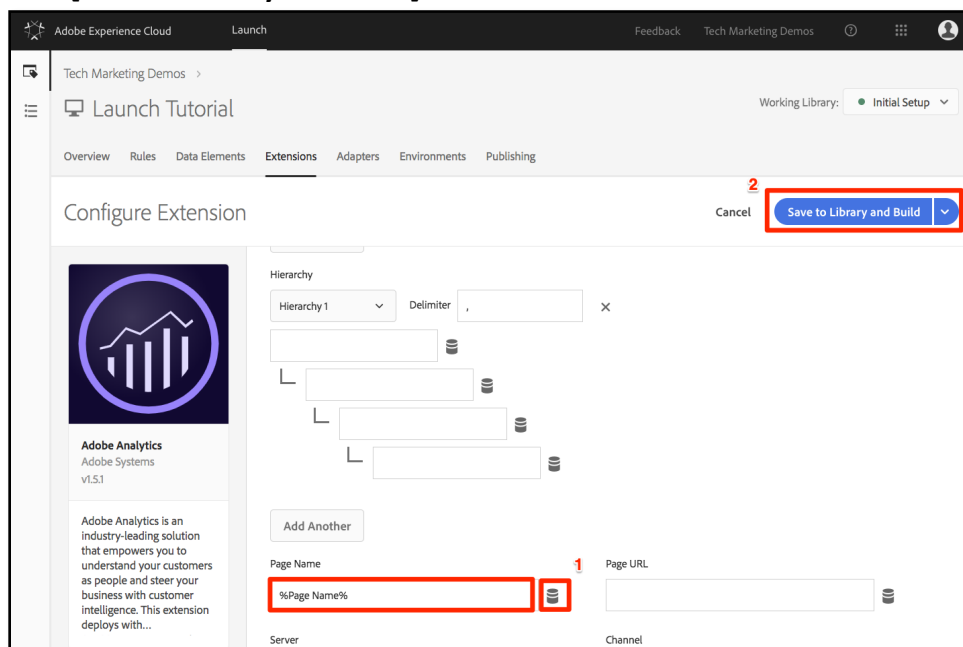


We recommend using the [Manage the library for me option] as the [Library Management] setting as it makes it much easier to keep the AppMeasurement . js library up-to-date.

- Under [General > Tracking Server], enter your tracking server, e.g. "*tmd.sc.omtrdc.net.*" Enter your SSL Tracking Server if your site supports *https://*



- In the [Global Variables section], set the [Page Name] variable using your *Page Name* data element. Click the  icon to open the modal and choose the page *Page Name* data element)
- Click [**Save to Library and Build**]



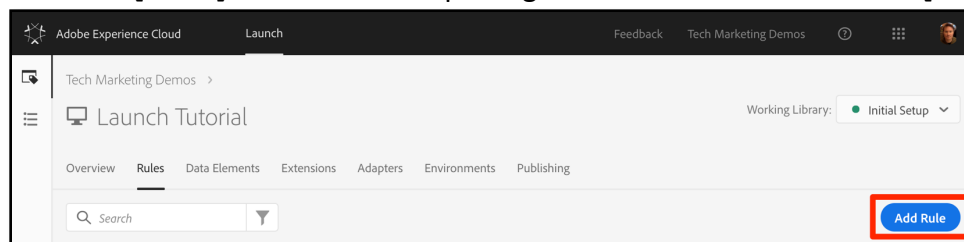
Global variables can be set in the extension configuration or in rule actions. Be aware that when setting variables in the extension configuration, the data layer must be defined before the Launch embed codes.

Exercise 7.2: Send the Page View Beacon

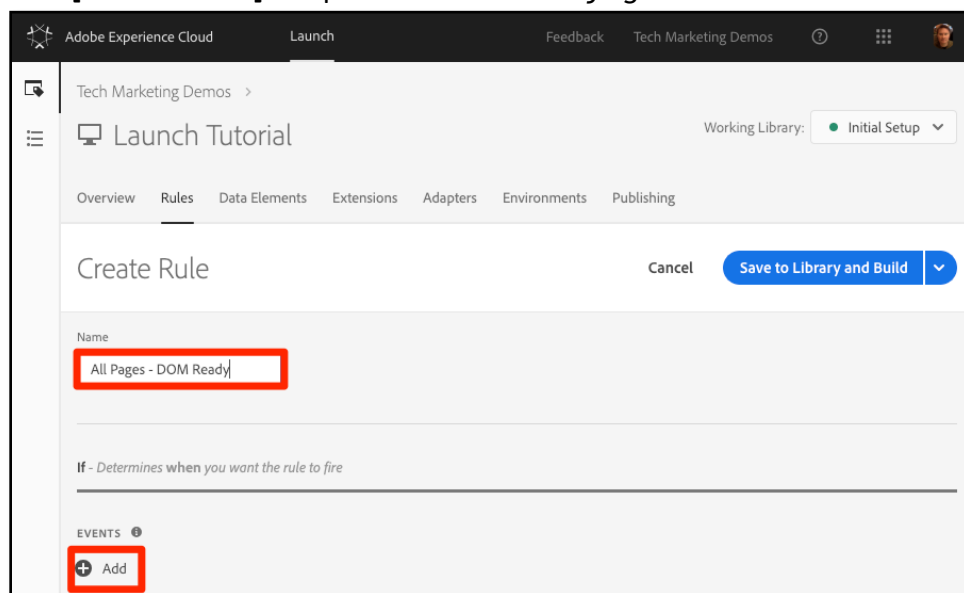
Now you will create a rule to fire the Analytics beacon, which will send the [Page Name] variable set in the extension configuration.

You have already created an "All Pages - Library Loaded" rule in the [Add a Data Element, a Rule and a Library](#) lesson of this tutorial, which is triggered on every page when the Launch library loads. You *could* use this rule for Analytics as well, however this setup requires all data layer attributes used in the Analytics beacon to be defined before the Launch embed codes. To allow more flexibility with the data collection, you will create a new "all pages" rule triggered on DOM Ready to fire the Analytics beacon.

1. Go to the **[Rules]** section in the top navigation and then click **[Add Rule]**

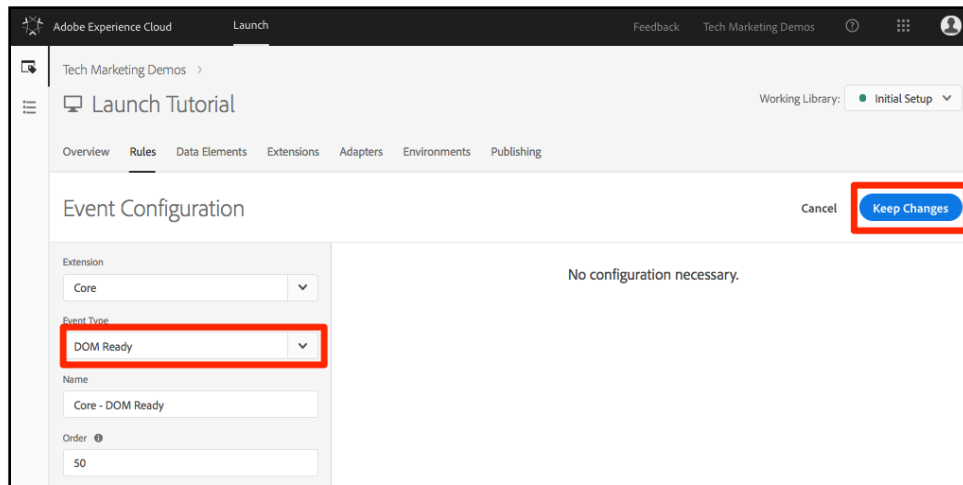


2. Name the rule *ALL Pages - DOM Ready*
3. Click **[Events > Add]** to open the *Event Configuration* screen

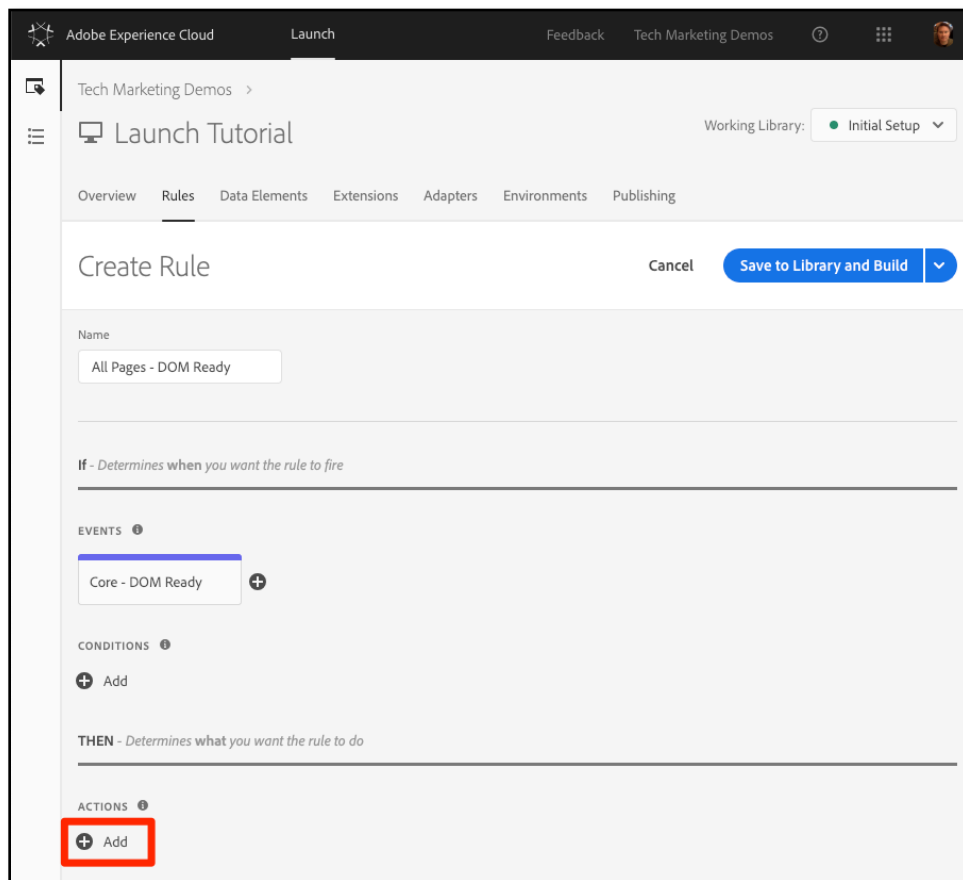


4. Select **[Event Type > DOM Ready]** (Note that the order of the rule is "50")

5. Click **[Keep Changes]**



6. Under Actions, click the  to add a new action

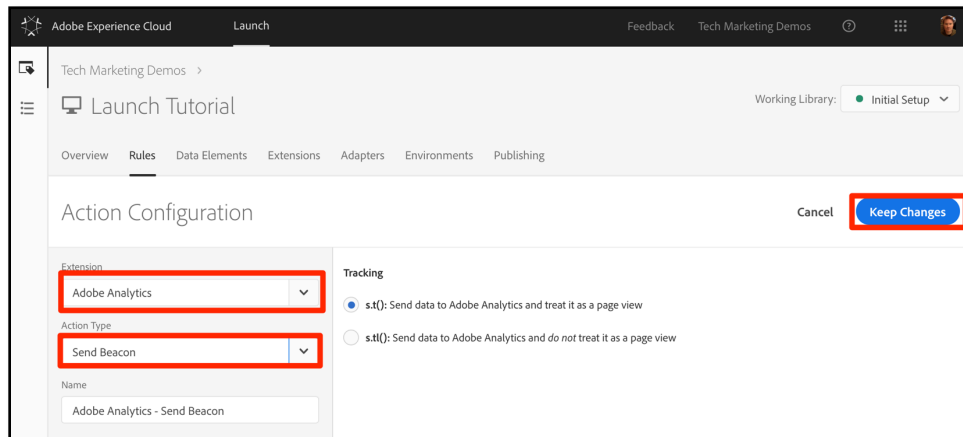


7. Select **[Extension > Adobe Analytics]**

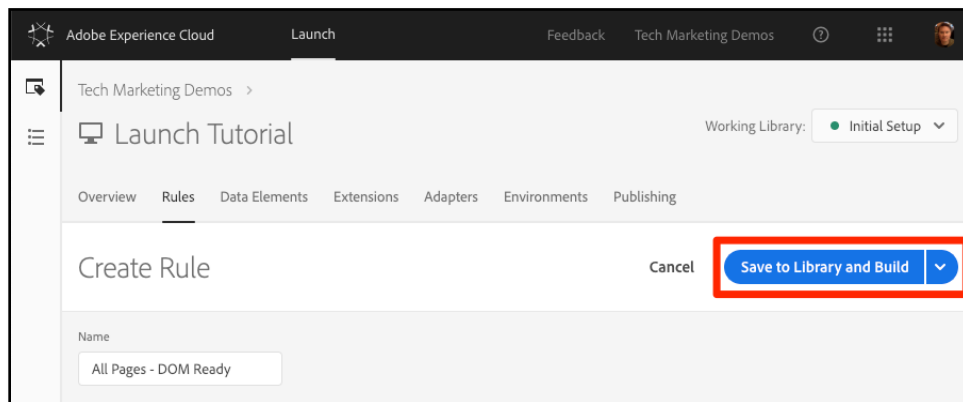
8. Select **[Action Type > Send Beacon]**

9. Leave Tracking set to `s.t()`. Note that if you wanted to make an `s.tl()` call in a click-event rule you could do that using the Send Beacon action, as well.

10. Click the **[Keep Changes]** button




11. Click **[Save to Library and Build]**

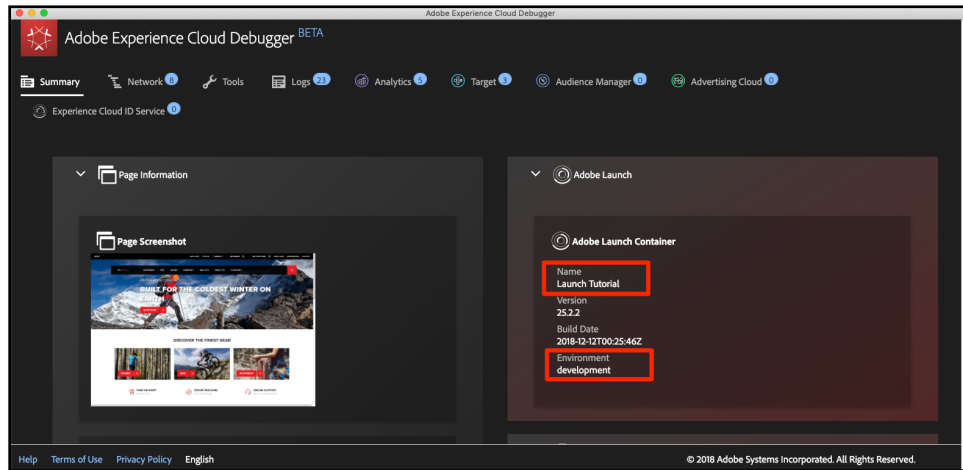


Exercise 7.2.1: Validate the Page View Beacon

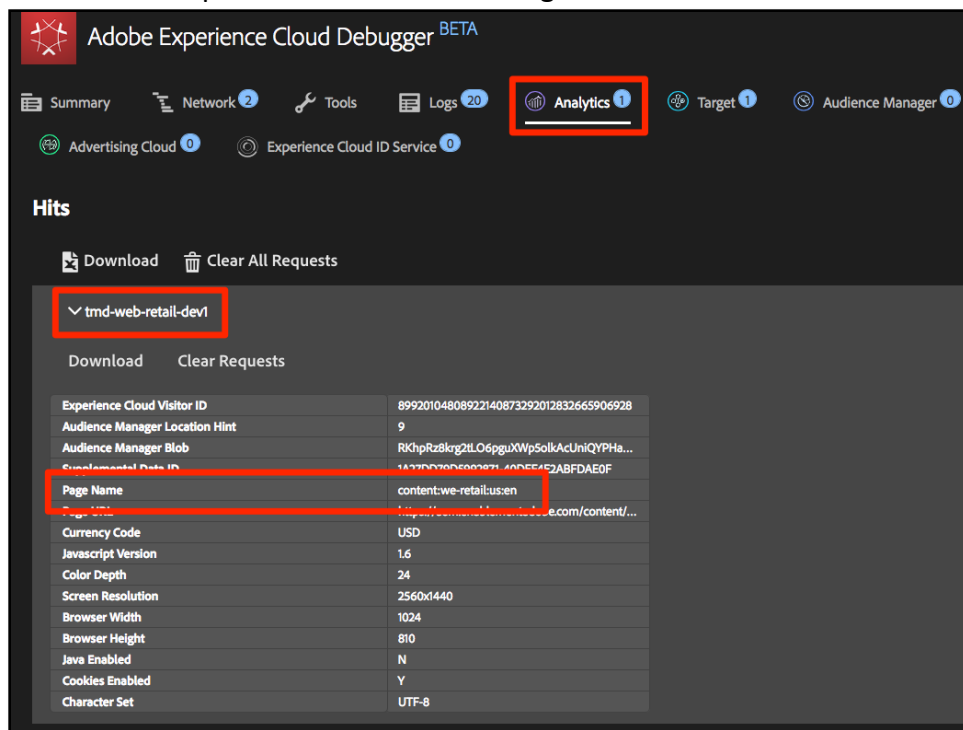
Now that you have created a rule to send an Analytics beacon, you should be able to see the request in the Experience Cloud Debugger.

1. Open the [We.Retail site](#) in your Chrome browser
2. Click the Debugger icon  to open the **[Adobe Experience Cloud Debugger]**

3. Make sure the Debugger is mapping the Launch property to *your* Development environment, as described in the [earlier lesson](#)



4. Click to open the Analytics tab
5. Expand your Report Suite name to show all of the requests made to it
6. Confirm the request has fired with the Page Name variable and value



If the Page Name is not showing up for you, go back through the steps in this page to make sure that you haven't missed anything.

Exercise 7.3: Add Variables with Rules

When you configured the Analytics Extension, you populated the *pageName* variable in the extension configuration. This is a fine location to populate other global variables such as eVars and props, provided the value is available on the page before the Launch embed code loads.

A more flexible location to set variables - as well as events - is in rules using the *Set Variables* action. Rules allow you to set different Analytics variables and events under different conditions. For example, you could set the *prodView* only on product detail pages and the *purchase* event only on order confirmation pages. This section will teach you how to set variables using rules.

Exercise 7.3.1: Use Case

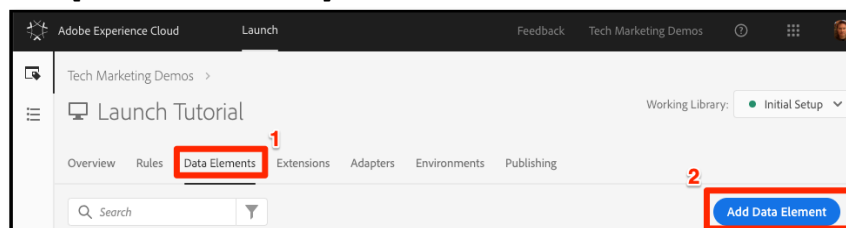
Product Detail Pages (PDP) are important points for data collection on retail sites. Typically, you want Analytics to register that a product view occurred and which product was viewed. This is helpful in understanding which products are popular with your customers. On a media site, article or video pages could use similar tracking techniques to the ones you will use in this section. When you load a Product Detail Page, you might want to put that value into a "Page Type" *eVar*, as well as set some events and the product id. This will allow us to see the following in our analysis:

1. How many times product detail pages are loaded
2. Which specific products are viewed and how many times
3. How other factors (campaigns, search, etc) affect how many PDP's people load

Exercise 7.3.2: Create Data Element for Page Type

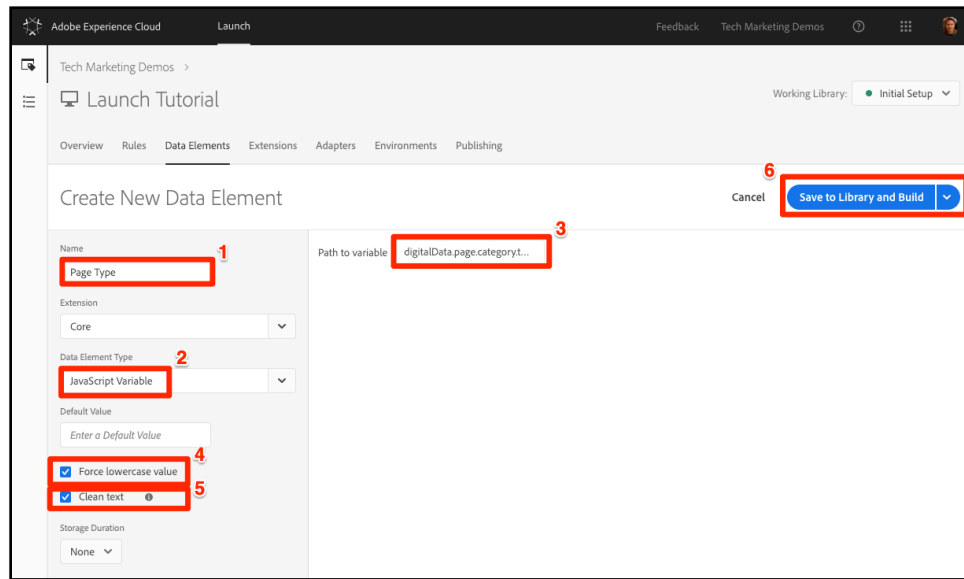
First you need to identify which pages are the Product Detail pages. You will do that with a Data Element.

1. Click **[Data Elements]** in the top navigation
2. Click **[Add Data Element]**



3. Name the data element *Page Type*
4. Select **[Data Element Type > JavaScript Variable]**
5. Use *digitalData.page.category.type* as the *Path to Variable*
6. Check the *Clean text* and *Force Lower Case* options

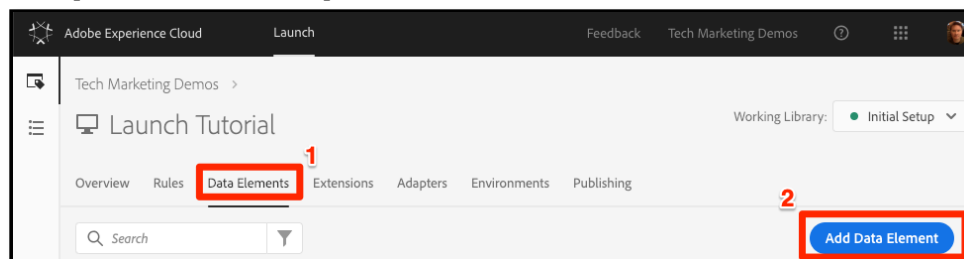
7. Click [Save to Library and Build]



Exercise 7.3.3: Create Data Element for Product Id

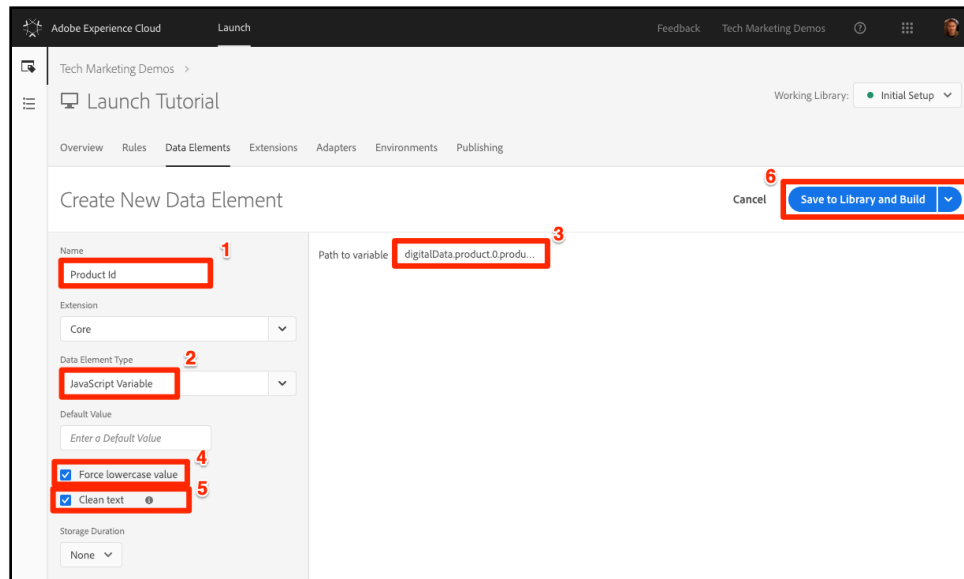
Next, you will collect the product id of the current Product Detail page with a Data Element

1. Click [Data Elements] in the top navigation
2. Click [Add Data Element]



3. Name the data element *Product Id*
4. Select [Data Element Type > JavaScript Variable]
5. Use *digitalData.product.0.productInfo.sku* as the *Path to Variable*
6. Check the *Force Lowercase value* option
7. Check the *Clean text* option

8. Click [Save to Library and Build]

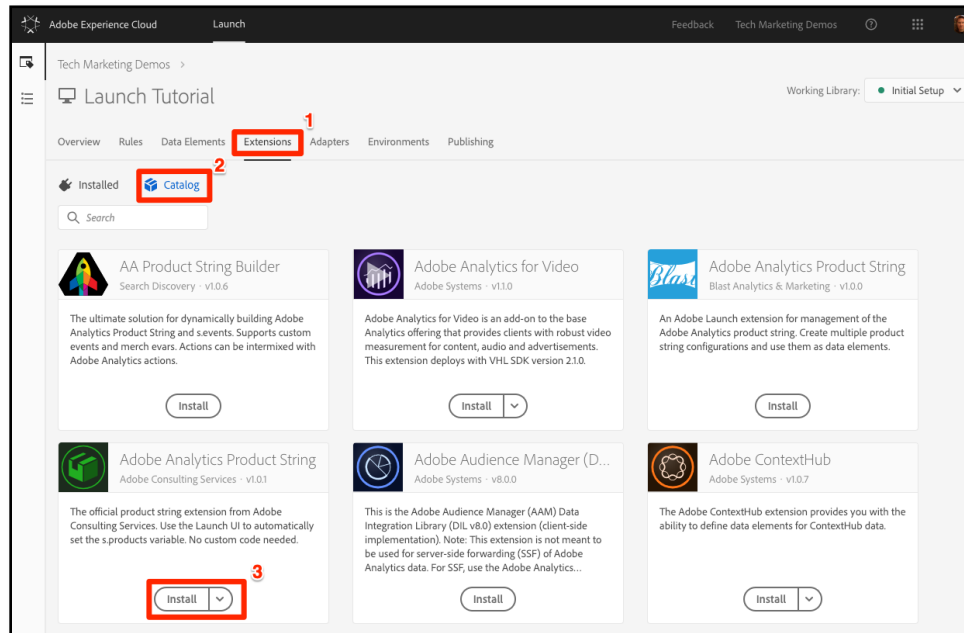


Exercise 7.3.4: Add the Adobe Analytics Product String Extension

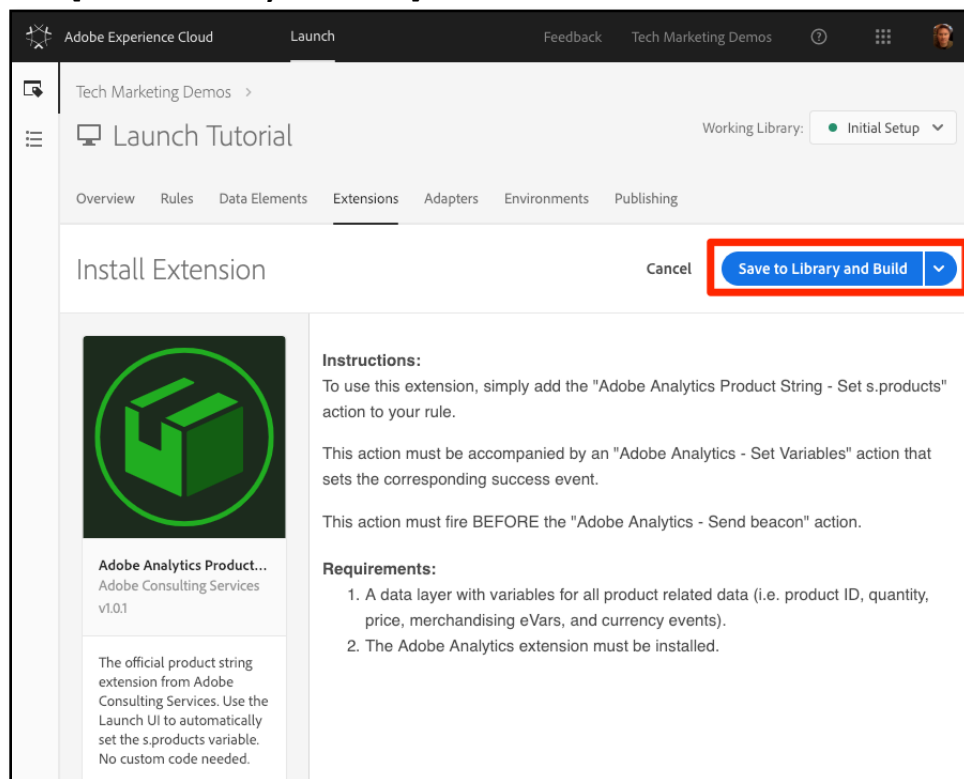
If you are already familiar with Adobe Analytics implementations, you are probably familiar with the [products variable](#). The products variable has a very specific syntax and gets used slightly different ways depending on the context. To help make the population of the products variable easier in Launch, three additional extensions have already been created in the Launch extension marketplace! In this section you will add an extension created by Adobe Consulting to use on the Product Detail page.

1. Go to the [Extensions > Catalog] page

2. Find the *Adobe Analytics Product String* extension by Adobe Consulting Services and click **[Install]**



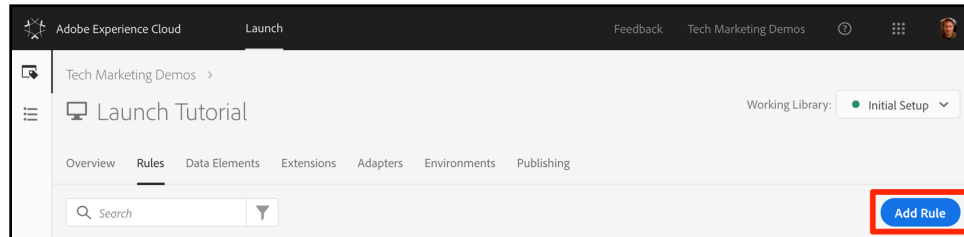
3. Take a moment to read the instructions
4. Click **[Save to Library and Build]**



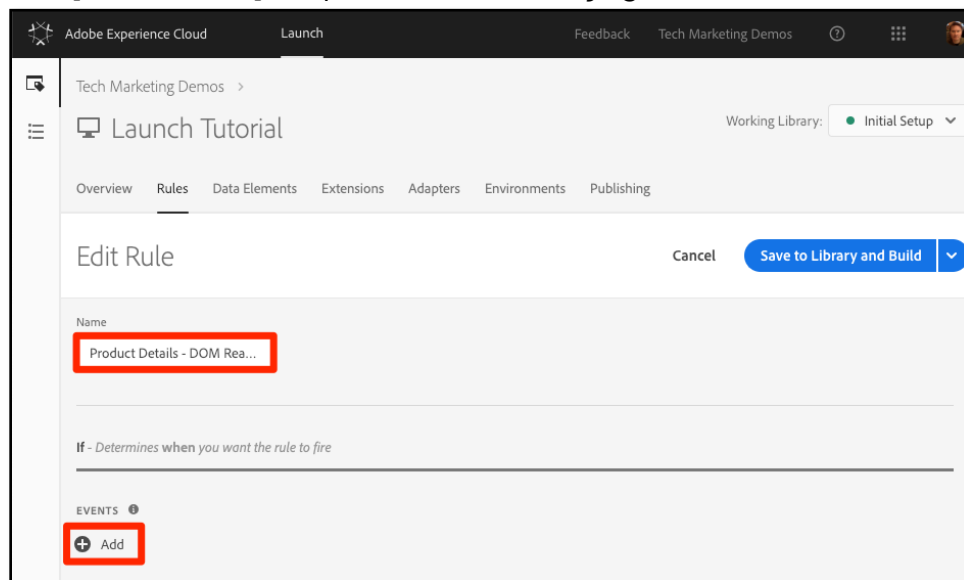
Exercise 7.3.5: Create the Rule for Product Detail Pages

Now, you will use your new data elements and extension to build your Product Detail page rule. For this functionality, you will create another page load rule, triggered by DOM Ready. However, you will use a condition so that it only fires on the Product Detail pages and the order setting so that it fires *before* the rule that sends the beacon.

1. Go to the **[Rules]** section in the top navigation and then and then click **[Add Rule]**

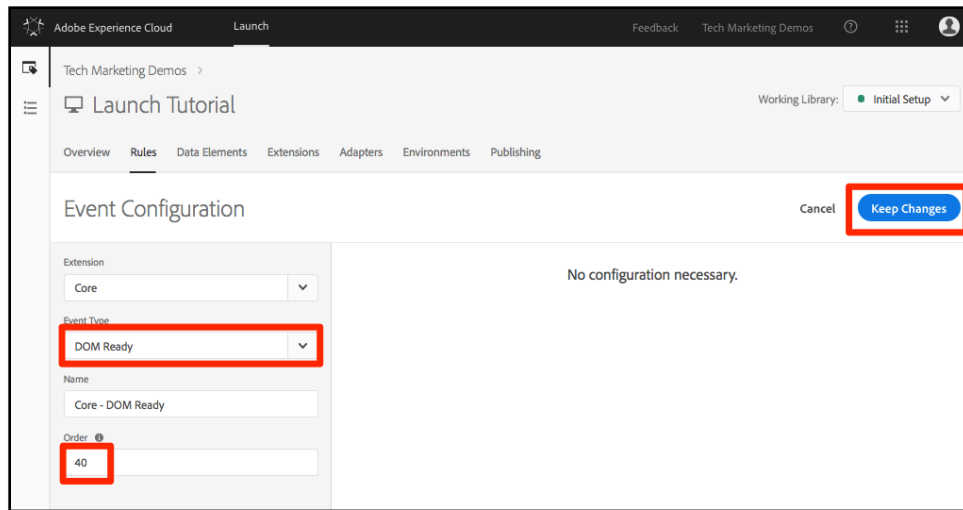


2. Name the rule *Product Details - DOM Ready*
3. Click **[Events > Add]** to open the *Event Configuration* screen

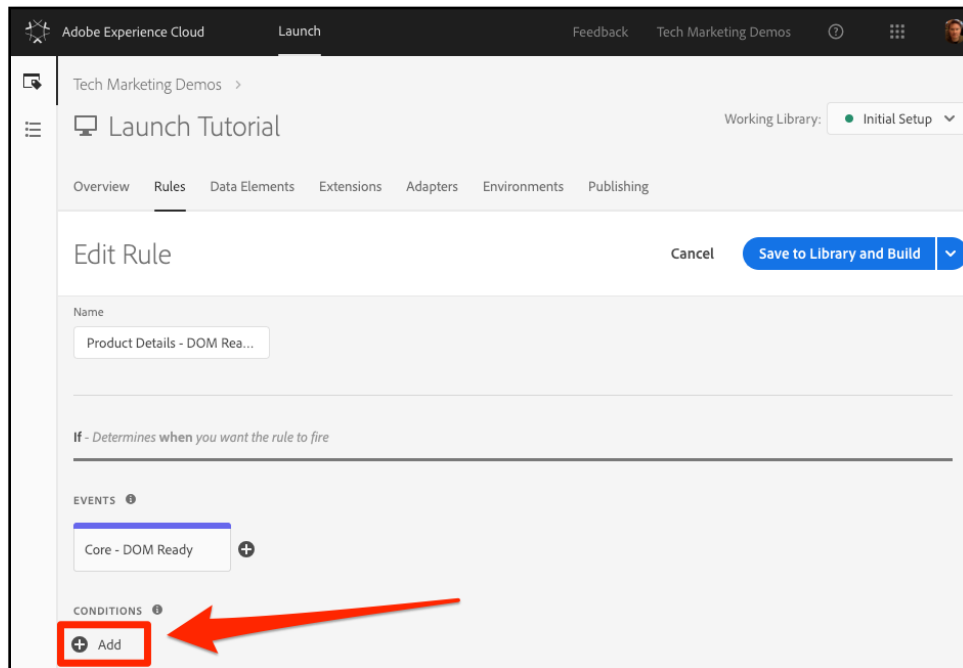


4. Select **[Event Type > DOM Ready]**
5. Set the **[Order]** to 40, so that the rule will run *before* the rule containing the Analytics > Send Beacon action

6. Click [Keep Changes]

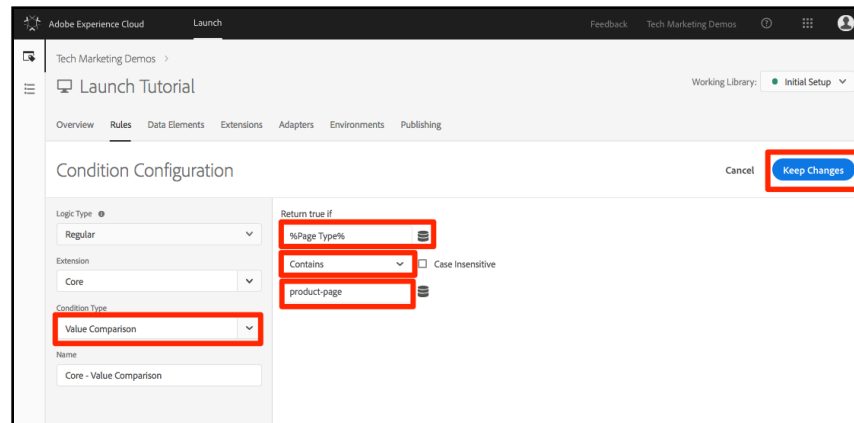



7. Under [Conditions], click the to open the *Condition Configuration* screen

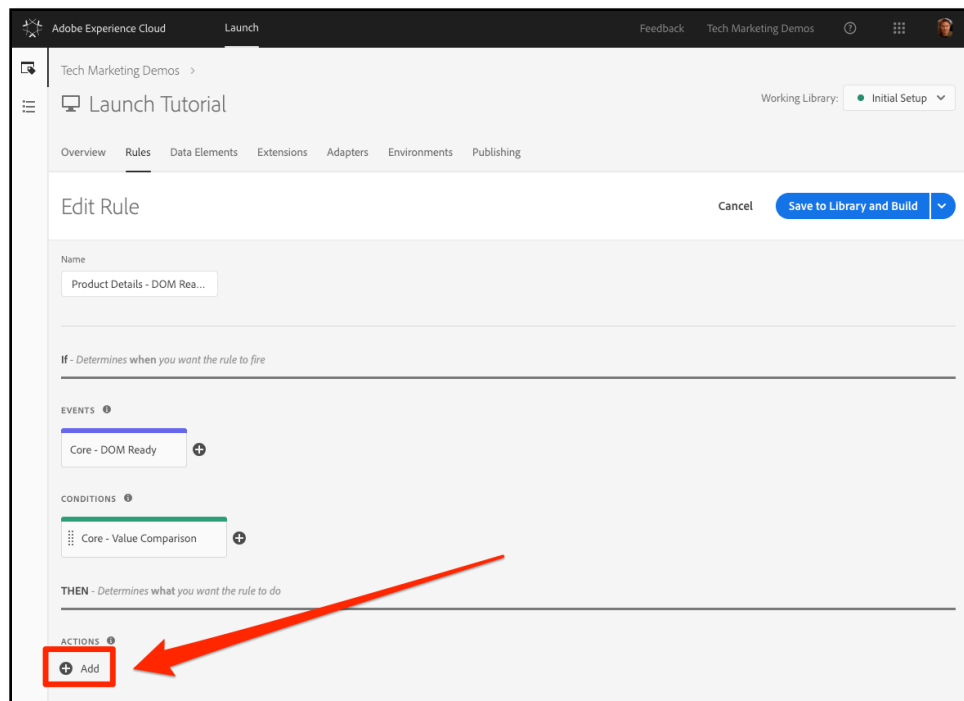


- i. Select [**Condition Type > Value Comparison**]
- ii. Use the data element picker, choose *Page Type* in the first field
- iii. Select [**Contains**] from the comparison operator dropdown
- iv. In the next field type *product-page* (this is the unique part of the page type value pulled from the data layer on PDP's)

v. Click **[Keep Changes]**

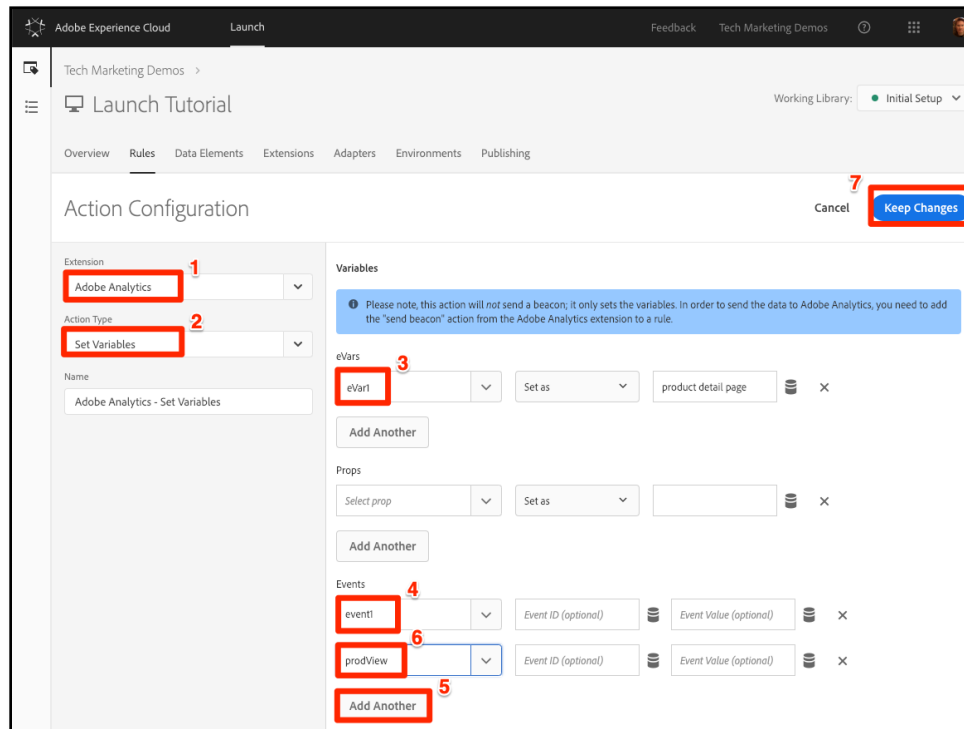


8. Under Actions, click the  to add a new action

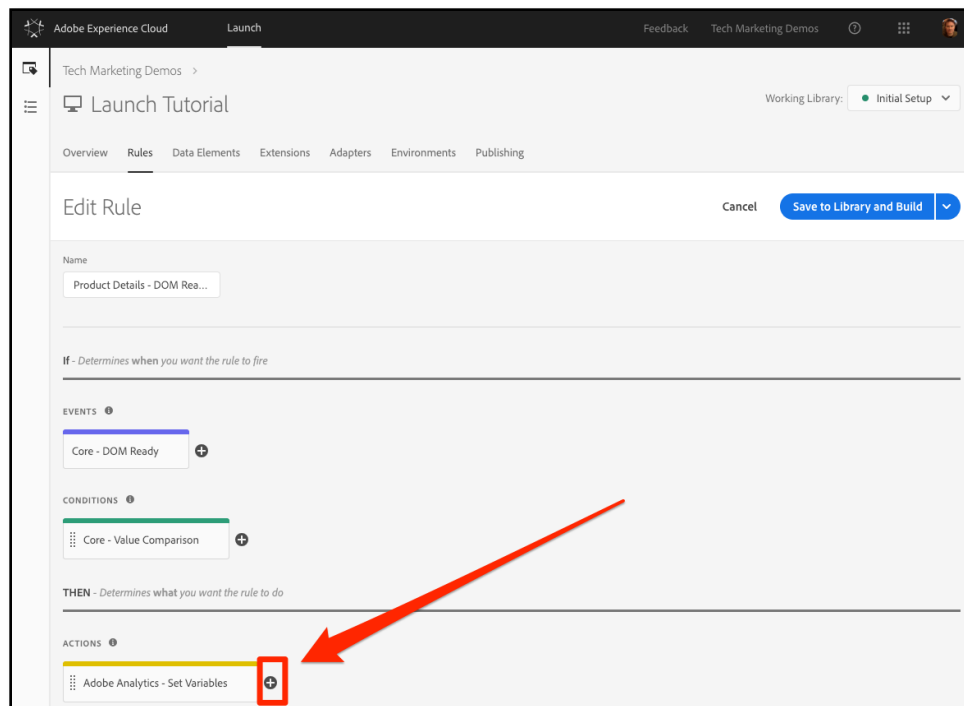


9. Select **[Extension > Adobe Analytics]**
10. Select **[Action Type > Set Variables]**
11. Select **[eVar1 > Set as]** and enter *product detail page*
12. Set **[event1]**, leaving the optional values blank
13. Under Events, click the **[Add Another]** button
14. Set the **[prodView]** event, leaving the optional values blank

15. Click [Keep Changes]



16. Under Actions, click the to add a new action

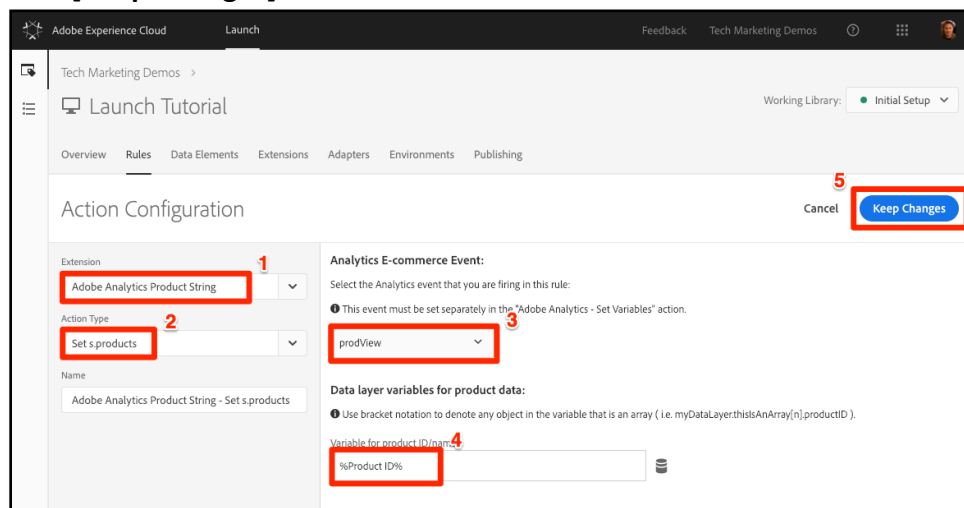


17. Select [Extension > Adobe Analytics Product String]

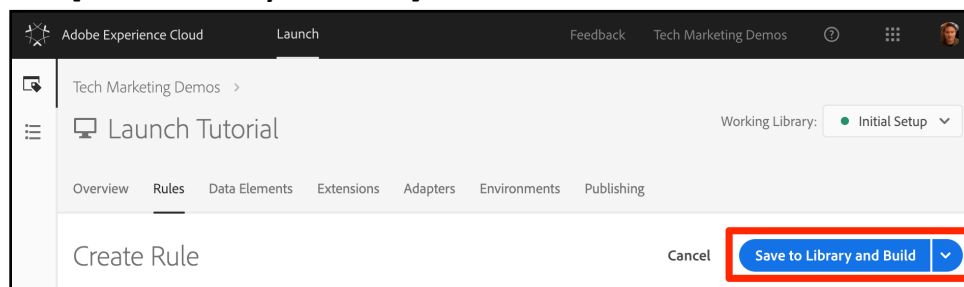
18. Select [Action Type > Set s.products]

19. In the [Analytics E-commerce Event] section, select [prodView]

20. In the **[Data layer variables for product data]** section, use the Data Element picker to choose the *Product Id* data element
21. Click **[Keep Changes]**




22. Click **[Save to Library and Build]**

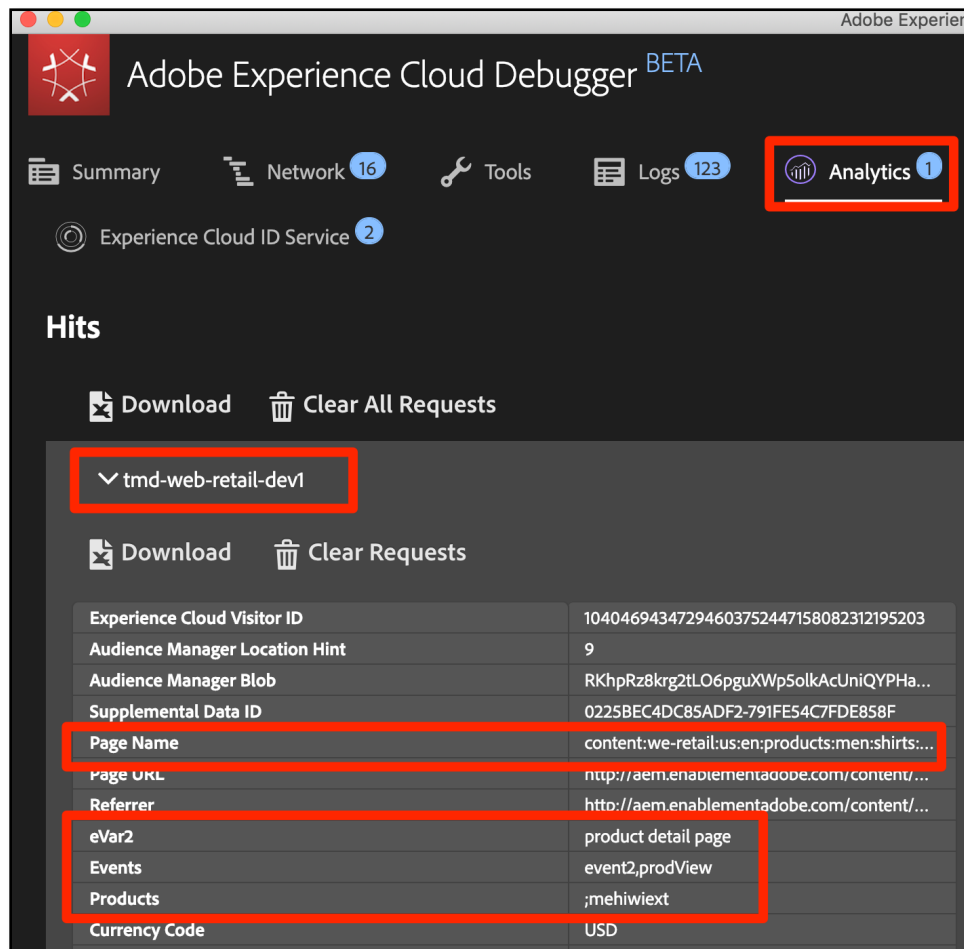


Exercise 7.3.6: Validate the Product Detail Page Data

You just created a rule that sets variables before the beacon is sent. You should now be able to see the new data going out in the hit in the Experience Cloud Debugger.

1. Open the [We.Retail site](#) in your Chrome browser
2. Navigate to any product detail page
3. Click the Debugger icon  to open your **[Adobe Experience Cloud Debugger]**
4. Click to the Analytics tab
5. Expand your Report Suite
6. Notice the Product Detail Variables that are now in the debugger, namely that *eVar1* has been set to "product detail page", that the *Events* variable has been set to "event1" and "prodView", that the products variable is set with the product id of the product you are viewing, and that your Page Name is still set by the Analytics

extension



Exercise 7.4: Send a Track Link Beacon

When a page loads, you typically fire a page load beacon triggered by the `s.t()` function. This automatically increments a *page view* metric for the page listed in the *pageName* variable.

However, sometimes you don't want to increment page views on your site, because the action that is taking place is "smaller" (or maybe just different) than a page view. In this case, you will use the `s.tl()` function, which is commonly referred to as a "track link" request. Even though it is referred to as a track link request, it doesn't have to be triggered on a link click. It can be triggered by *any* of the events that are available to you in the Launch rule builder, including your own custom JavaScript.

In this tutorial, you will trigger an `s.tl()` call using one of the coolest JavaScript events, an *Enters Viewport* event.

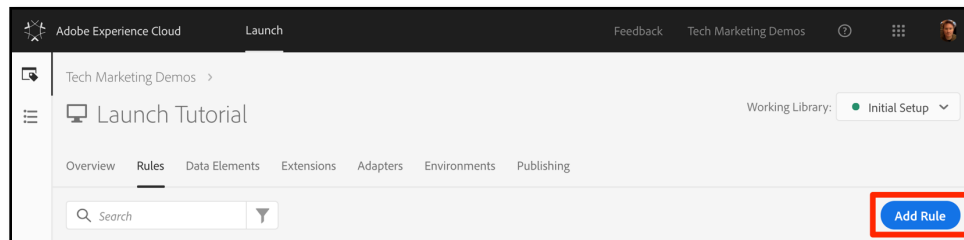
Exercise 7.4.1: Use Case

For this use case, you want to know if people are scrolling down on our We.Retail home page far enough to see the *New Arrivals* section of our page. There is some internal discord at our

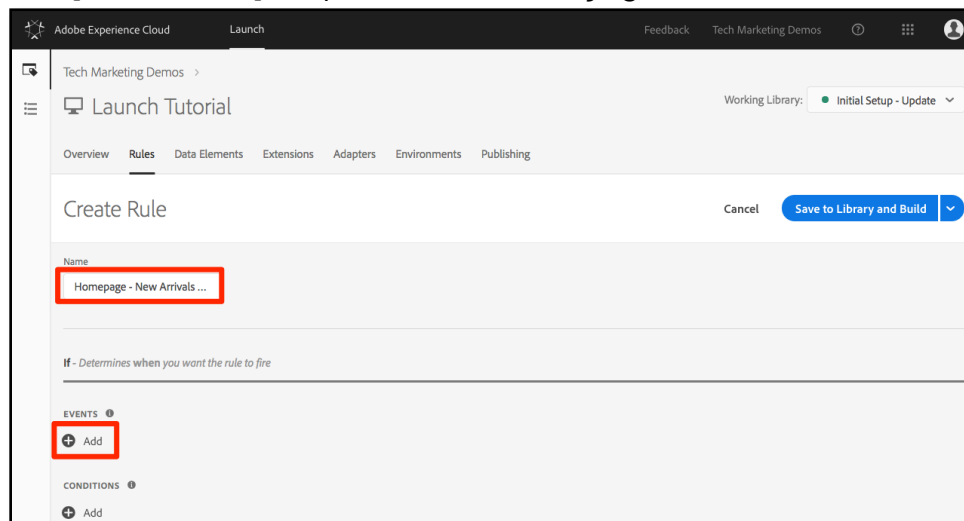
company about whether people are even seeing that section or not, so you want to use Analytics to determine the truth.

Exercise 7.4.2: Create the Rule in Launch

1. Go to the **[Rules]** section in the top navigation and then click **[Add Rule]**

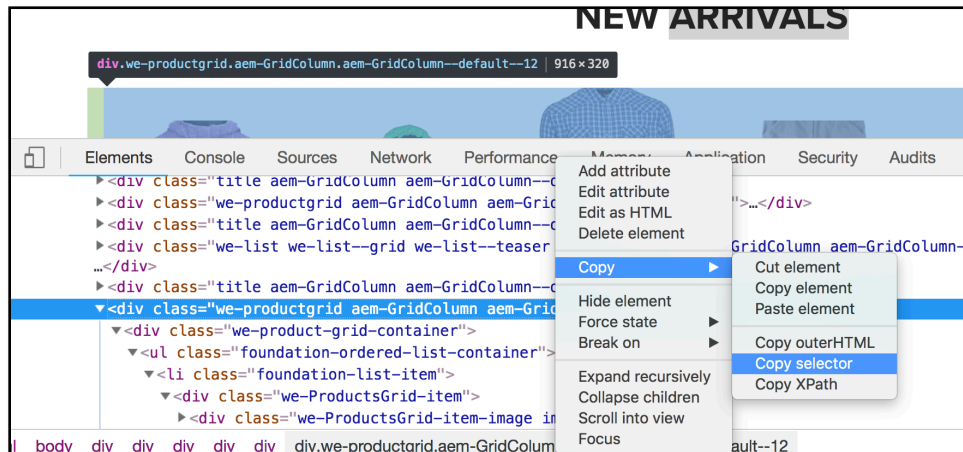


2. Name the rule *Homepage - New Arrivals enters Viewport*
3. Click **[Events > Add]** to open the *Event Configuration* screen

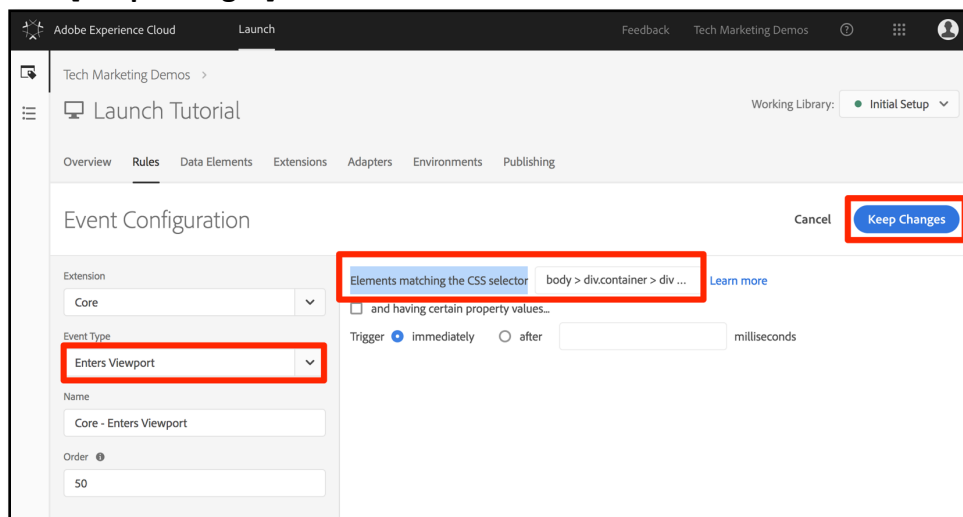


4. Select **[Event Type > Enters Viewport]**. This will bring up a field where you need to enter the CSS selector that will identify the item on your page that should trigger the rule when it enters view in the browser.
5. Go back to the home page of We.Retail and scroll down to the New Arrivals section.
6. Right-click on the space between the "NEW ARRIVALS" title and the items in this section, and select *Inspect* from the right-click menu. This will get you close to what you want.
7. Right around there, possibly right under the selected section, you are looking for a div with `class="we-productgrid aem-GridColumn aem-GridColumn--default--12"`. Locate this element.

- Right-click on this element and select **[Copy > Copy Selector]**

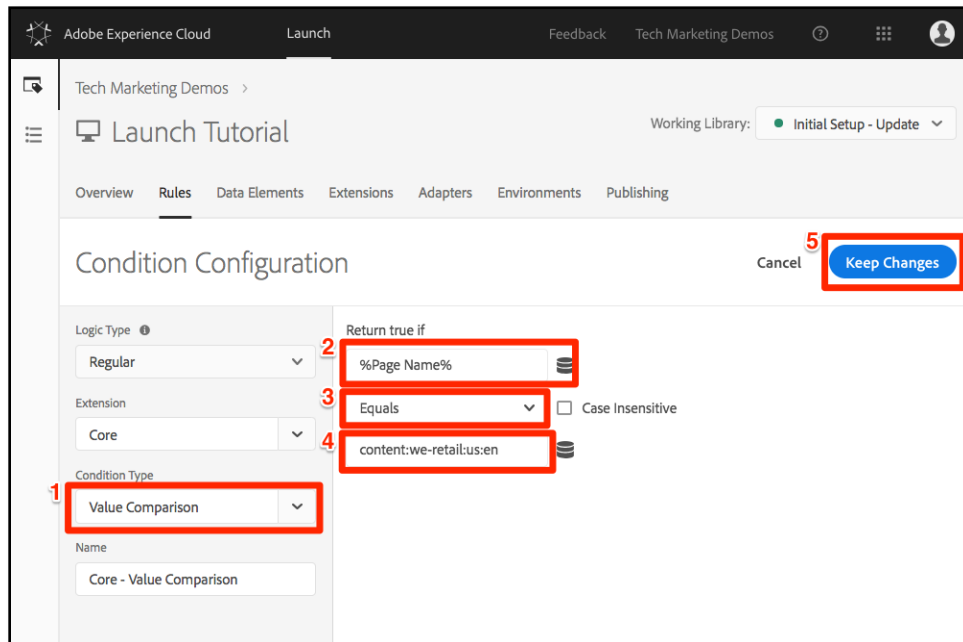


- Go back to Launch, and paste this value from the clipboard into the field labeled *Elements matching the CSS selector*.
 - On a side note, it is up to you to decide how to identify CSS selectors. This method is a bit fragile, as certain changes on the page may break this selector. Please consider this when using any CSS selectors in Launch.
- Click **[Keep Changes]**



- Under Conditions, click the **+** to add a new condition
- Select **[Condition Type > Value Comparison]**
- Use the data element picker, choose *Page Name* in the first field
- Select **[Equals]** from the comparison operator dropdown
- In the next field type *content:we-retail:usen* (this is the page name of the home page as pulled from the data layer - we only want this rule to run on the home page)

16. Click [Keep Changes]



17. Under Actions, click the **+** to add a new action

18. Select **[Extension > Adobe Analytics]**

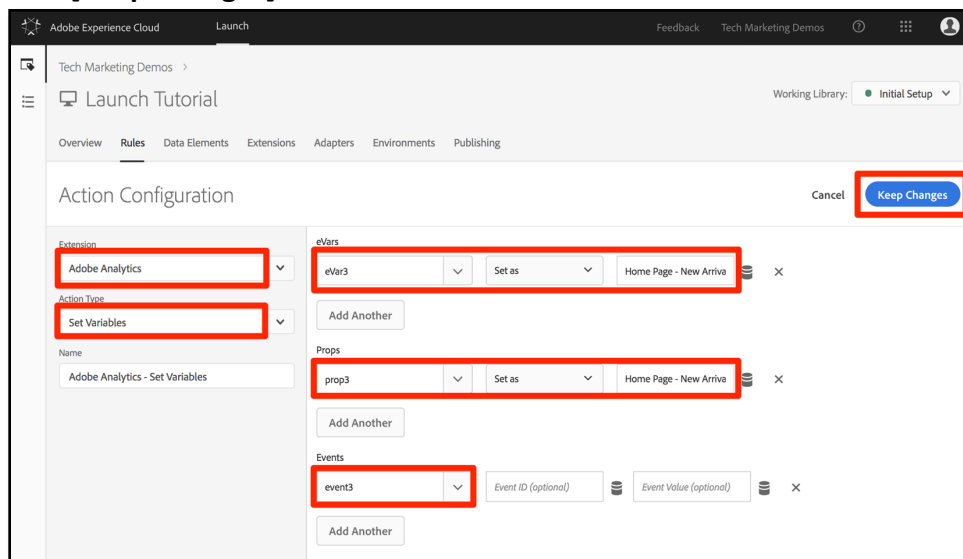
19. Select **[Action Type > Set Variables]**

20. Set *eVar3* to *Home Page - New Arrivals*

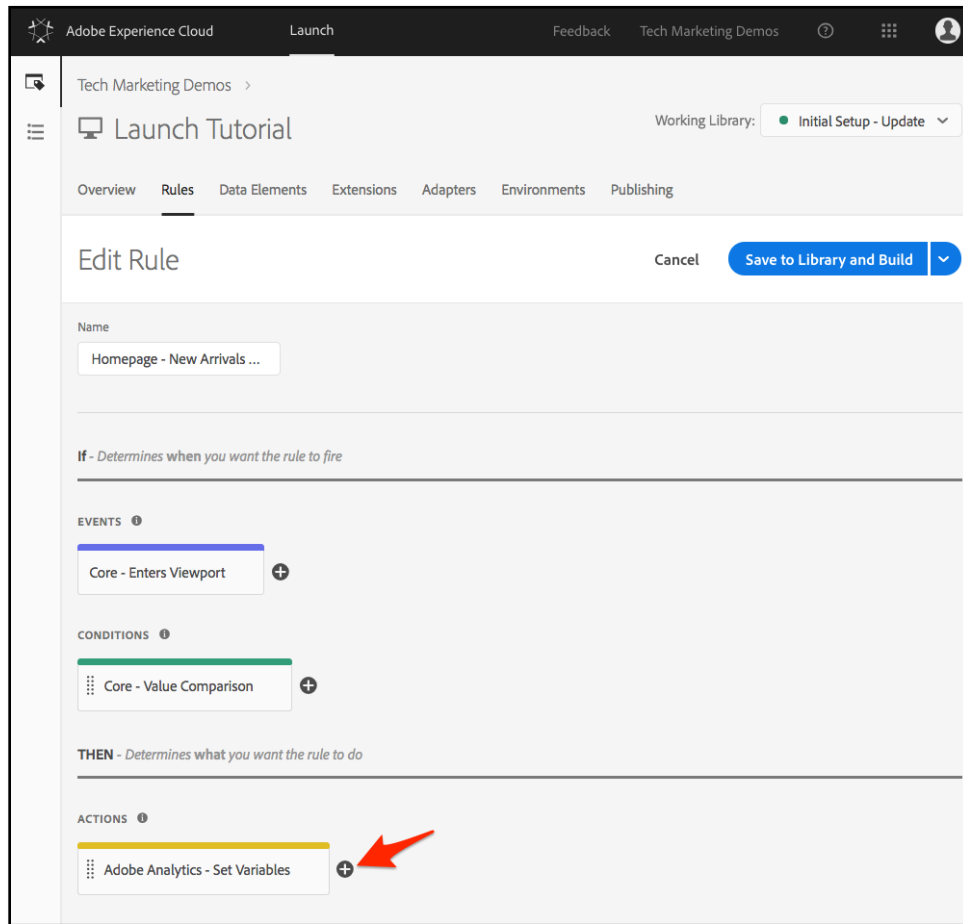
21. Set *prop3* to *Home Page - New Arrivals*

22. Set the *Events* variable to *event3*

23. Click **[Keep Changes]**



24. Under Actions, click the **+** to add another new action



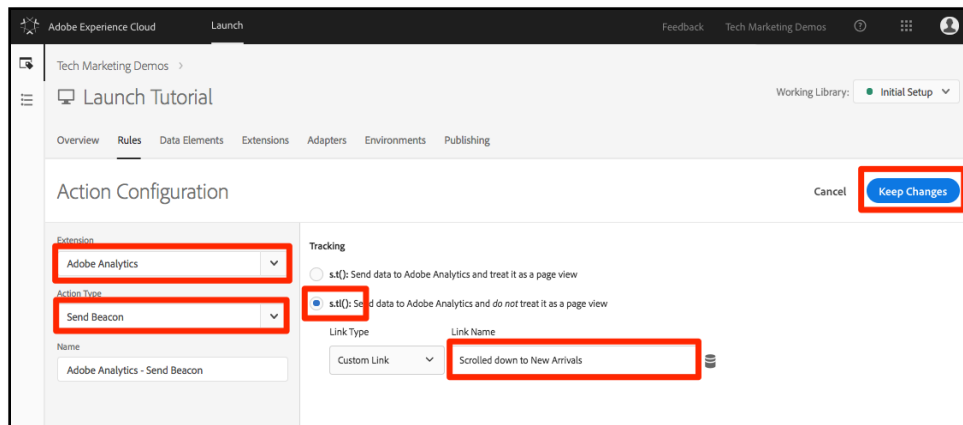
25. Select **[Extension > Adobe Analytics]**

26. Select **[Action Type > Send Beacon]**

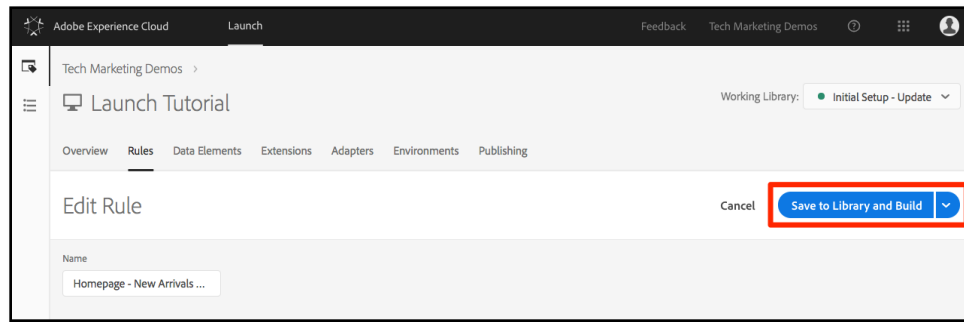
27. Choose the **[s.tl()]** tracking option

28. In the **[Link Name]** field, enter *Scrolled down to New Arrivals*. This value will be placed into the Custom Links report in Analytics.

29. Click **[Keep Changes]**




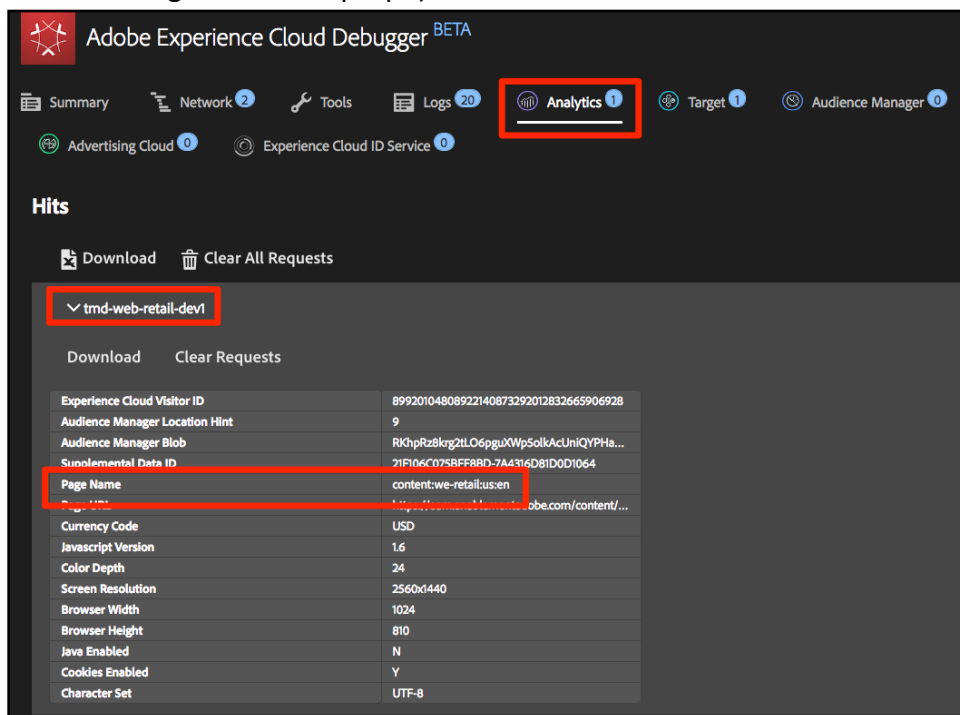
30. Click [Save to Library and Build]



Exercise 7.4.3: Validate the Track Link Beacon

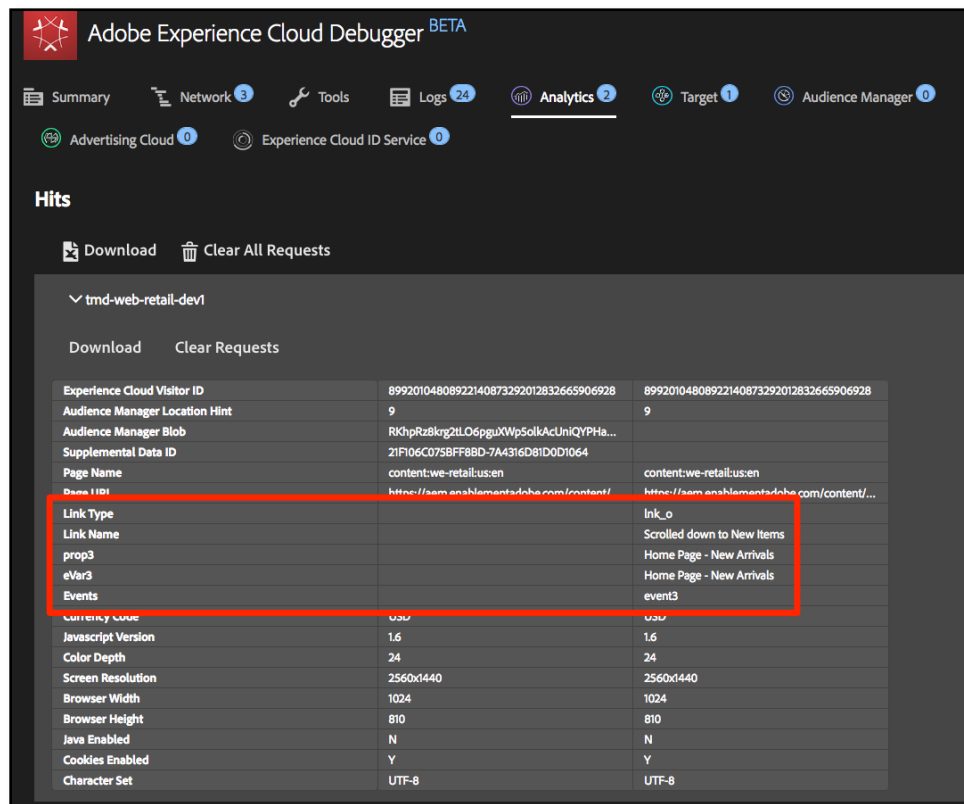
Now you will want to make sure that this hit goes in when you scroll down to the New Arrivals section of the Home Page of our site. When you first load the homepage, the request shouldn't be made, but as you scroll down and the section comes into view, the hit should fire with our new values.

1. Open the [We.Retail site](#) in your Chrome browser and make sure you are at the top of the home page.
2. Click the **[debugger icon]**  to open your [Adobe Experience Cloud Debugger]
3. Click to the Analytics tab
4. Expand your Report Suite's hit
5. Notice the normal page view hit for the home page with the page name, etc. (but nothing in eVar3 or prop3).



6. Leaving the Debugger open, scroll down on your site until you can see the New Arrivals section

7. View the Debugger again, and another Analytics hit should have appeared. This hit should have the params associated with the s.tl() hit that you set up, namely:
 - i. `LinkType = "Link_o"` (this means that the hit is a custom link hit, not a page view hit)
 - ii. `LinkName = "Scrolled down to New Arrivals"`
 - iii. `prop3 = "Home Page - New Arrivals"`
 - iv. `eVar3 = "Home Page - New Arrivals"`
 - v. `Events = "event3"`



Exercise 7.5: Add a Plug-in

A Plug-in is a piece of JavaScript code that you can add to your implementation to perform a specific function that is not built into the product. Plug-ins can be built by you, by other Adobe Customers/Partners, or by Adobe Consulting.

To implement plug-ins, there are basically three steps:

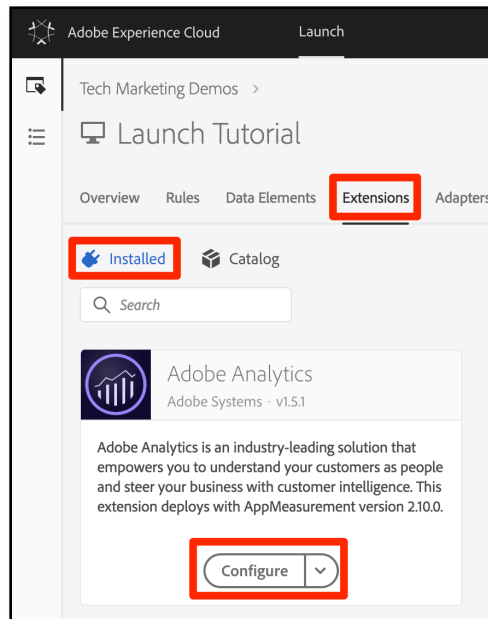
1. Include the `doPlugins` function, where the plug-in will be referenced
2. Add the main function code for the plug-in
3. Include the code that calls the function and sets variables, etc.

Exercise 7.5.1: Make the Analytics Object Globally Accessible

If you are going to add the `doPlugins` function (below) and use plug-ins, you need to check a box to make the Analytics "s" object available globally in the Analytics implementation.

1. Go to **[Extensions > Installed]**

2. In the Adobe Analytics extension, Click **[Configure]**



3. Under **[Library Management]**, select the box labeled *Make tracker globally accessible*. As you can see in the help bubble, this will make the tracker be scoped globally under window.s, which will be important as you refer to it in your customer JavaScript.

Exercise 7.5.2: Including the doPlugins Function

To add plug-ins, you need to add a function called doPlugins. This function is not added by default, but once added, is handled by the AppMeasurement library, and is called last when a hit is being sent into Adobe Analytics. Therefore, you can use this function to run some JavaScript to set variables that are easier set this way.

1. While still in the Analytics extension, scroll down and expand the section titled *Configure Tracker Using Custom Code*.
2. Click **[Open Editor]**
3. Paste the following code into the code editor:

```
/* Plugin Config */
S.usePlugins=true
S.doPlugins=function(s) {
  /* Add calls to plugins here */
}
```

4. Keep this window open for the next step

Exercise 7.5.3: Add Function Code for the Plug-in

You are actually going to call two plug-ins in this code, but one of them is built into the AppMeasurement library, so for that one you do not need to add the function to call. However, for the second one, you do need to add the function code as well. This function is called getValOnce().

Exercise 7.5.4: The `getValOnce()` Plug-in

The purpose of this plug-in is to keep values from getting falsely duplicated in the code when a visitor refreshes a page or uses the browser's back button to go back to a page where a value was set. In this lesson, you will use it to keep the `clickthrough` event from being duplicated.

The code for this plug-in is available in the [Analytics Documentation](#), but it is included here for your ease of copy/paste.

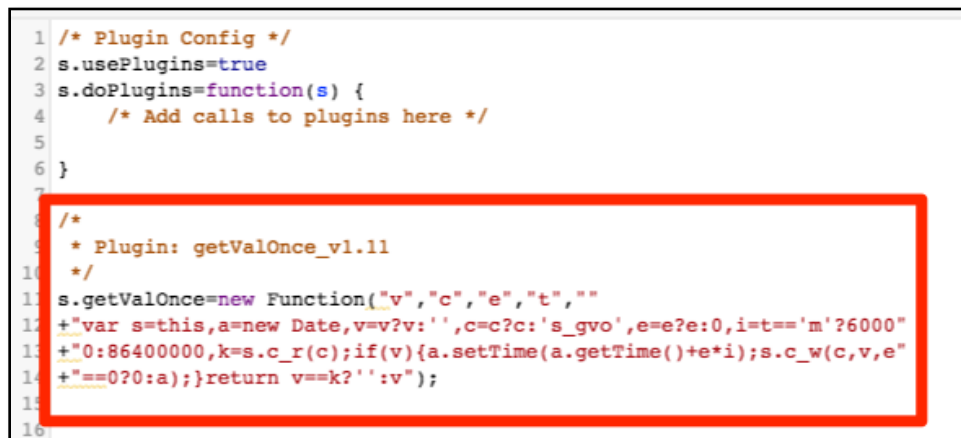
1. Copy the following code

```

/*
 * Plugin: getValOnce_v1.11
 */
s.getValOnce=new Function("v","c","e","t",""
+"var s=this,a=new Date,v=v?v:'' ,c=c?c:'s_gvo',e=e?e:0,i=t=='m'?6000"
+"0:86400000,k=s.c_r(c);if(v){a.setTime(a.getTime()+e*i);s.c_w(c,v,e"
+"==0?0:a);}return v==k?'':v");

```

2. Paste it into the code window in the Analytics extension (if you don't still have it open, re-open it as per the previous step), **completely below** the `doPlugins` function (not inside of it).



```

1  /* Plugin Config */
2  s.usePlugins=true
3  s.doPlugins=function(s) {
4      /* Add calls to plugins here */
5
6  }
7
8  /*
9   * Plugin: getValOnce_v1.11
10  */
11  s.getValOnce=new Function("v","c","e","t",""
12  +"var s=this,a=new Date,v=v?v:'' ,c=c?c:'s_gvo',e=e?e:0,i=t=='m'?6000"
13  +"0:86400000,k=s.c_r(c);if(v){a.setTime(a.getTime()+e*i);s.c_w(c,v,e"
14  +"==0?0:a);}return v==k?'':v");
15
16

```

You can now call this plug-in from within `doPlugins`.

Exercise 7.5.5: Calling Plug-ins from Within `doPlugins`

Now that the code is there and can be referenced, you can make the calls to plug-ins within the `doPlugins` function.

First you will call a plug-in which has been incorporated into the AppMeasurement library, and so is known as a "utility." It is referred to as `s.Util.getQueryParam`, because it is part of the `s` object, is a built-in utility, and will grab values (based on a parameter) from the query string in the URL.

1. Copy the following code:

```
s.campaign = s.Util.getQueryParam("cid");
```

2. Paste it into the doPlugins function. This will look for a parameter called `cid` in the current page URL and place it into the `s.campaign` variable.
3. Now call the `getValOnce` function by copying the following code and pasting it in right below the call to `getQueryParam`:

```
s.campaign=s.getValOnce(s.campaign,'s_cmp',30);
```

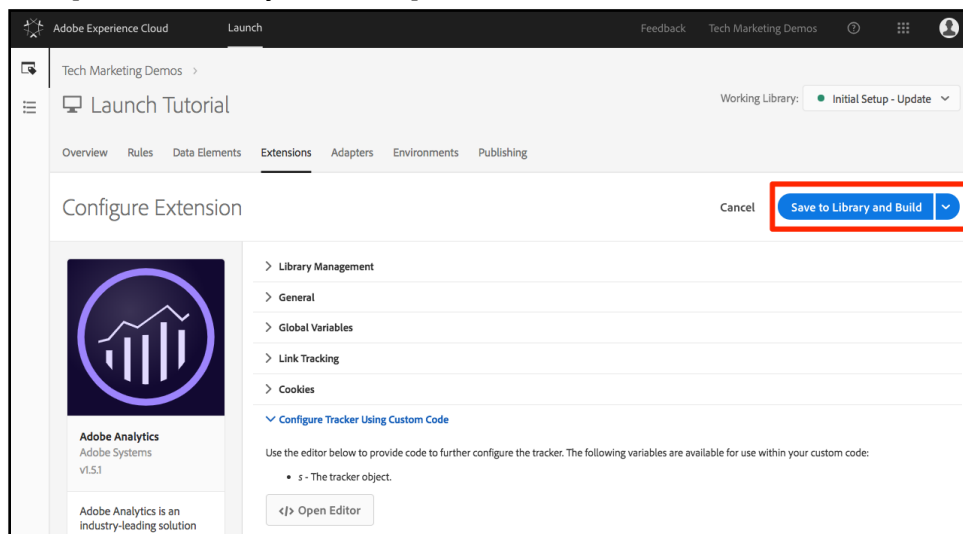
This code will make sure that the same value is not sent in more than once in a row for 30 days (see the documentation for ways to customize this code to your needs).

```

1  /* Plugin Config */
2  s.usePlugins=true
3  s.doPlugins=function(s) {
4      /* Add calls to plugins here */
5
6      s.campaign = s.Util.getQueryParam("cid");
7      s.campaign=s.getValOnce(s.campaign,'s_cmp',30);
8
9  }
10
11 /*
12  * Plugin: getValOnce_v1.11
13  */
14 s.getValOnce=new Function("v","c","e","t",""
15 + "var s=this,a=new Date,v=v?v:'' ,c=c?c:'s_gvo',e=e?e:0,i=t=='m'?6000"
16 + "0:86400000,k=s.c_r(c);if(v){a.setTime(a.getTime()+e*i);s.c_w(c,v,e"
17 + "==0?0:a);}return v=k?':v)";
18

```


4. Save the code window
5. Click **[Save to Library and Build]**

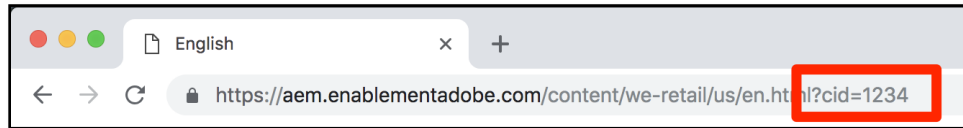


Exercise 7.5.6: Validate the Plug-ins

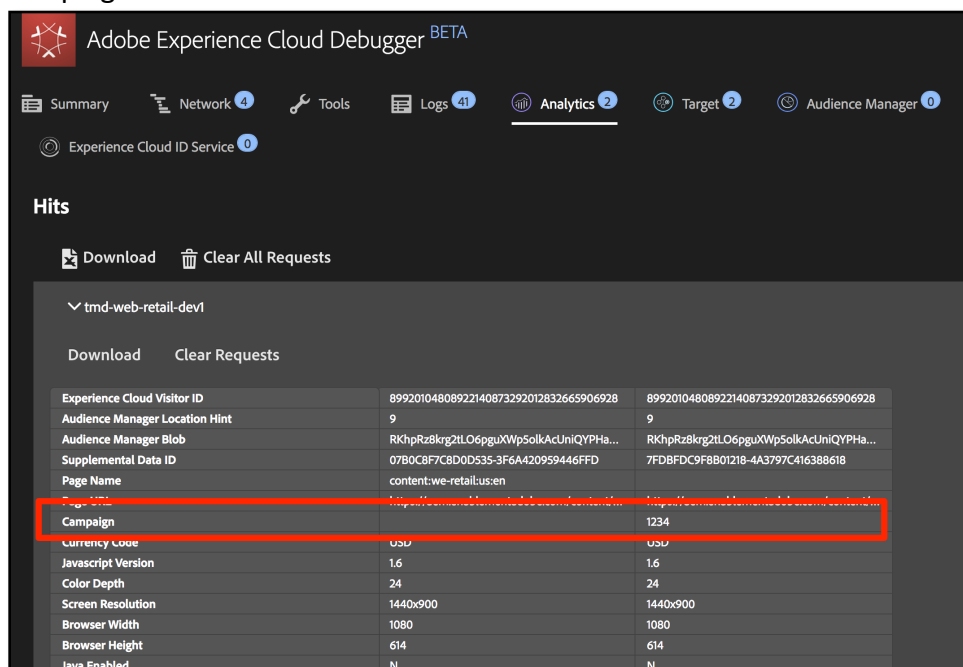
Now you can make sure that the plug-ins are working.

1. Open the [We.Retail site](#) in your Chrome browser

2. Click the Debugger icon  to open the [Adobe Experience Cloud Debugger]
3. Click to the Analytics tab
4. Expand your Report Suite
5. Notice the Analytics hit does not have a Campaign variable
6. Leaving the Debugger open, go back to the We.Retail site and add `?cid=1234` to the URL and hit Enter to refresh the page with that query string included



7. Check the Debugger and confirm that there is a second Analytics request with a Campaign variable set to 1234



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Summary Network 4 Tools Logs 41 Analytics 2 Target 2 Audience Manager 0

Experience Cloud ID Service 0

Hits

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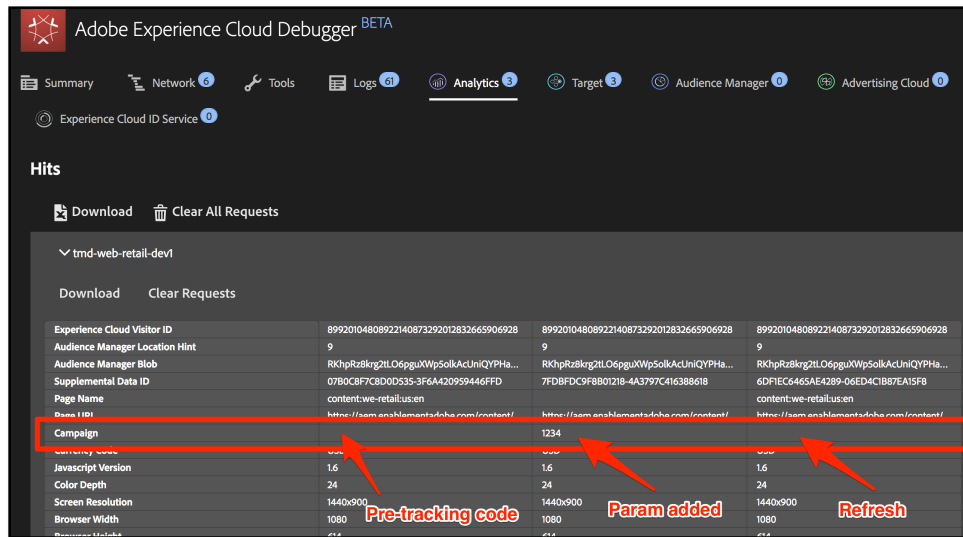
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Experience Cloud Visitor ID	89920104808922140873292012832665906928	89920104808922140873292012832665906928
Audience Manager Location Hint	9	9
Audience Manager Blob	RKhpRzBkrq2tLO6pguXWp5olkAcUniQYPHa...	RKhpRzBkrq2tLO6pguXWp5olkAcUniQYPHa...
Supplemental Data ID	07B0C8F7CBDD535-3F6A420959446FFD	7FDBFDC9F8B01218-4A3797C416388618
Page Name	content:we-retail:us:en	
Page URL	http://aem.enablementadobe.com/content/we-retail:us:en.html	http://aem.enablementadobe.com/content/we-retail:us:en.html
Campaign		1234
Currency Code	USD	USD
Javascript Version	1.6	1.6
Color Depth	24	24
Screen Resolution	1440x900	1440x900
Browser Width	1080	1080
Browser Height	614	614
Java Enabled	N	N

8. Go back and refresh the We.Retail page again, with the query string still in the URL
9. Check the next hit in the Debugger, and the Campaign variable should **not** be present, because the `getValOnce` plug-in has made sure that it doesn't get

duplicated and look like another person came in from the campaign tracking code.



- BONUS: You can test this over and over by changing the value of the `cid` parameter in the query string. The Campaign variable should only be there if it is the **first** time you run the page with the value. If you are not seeing the Campaign value in the debugger, simply change the value of the `cid` in the query string of the URL, hit enter, and you should see it again in the debugger.

There are actually a few different ways to grab a parameter out of the query string of the URL, including in the Analytics extension configuration. However, in these other non-plug-in options, they don't provide the ability to stop unnecessary duplication, as you have done here with the `getValOnce` plug-in. This is the author's favorite method, but you should determine which method works best for you and your needs.

Nice work! You have completed the Analytics section. Of course, there are many other things that you can do to enhance our Analytics implementation, but hopefully this has given you some of the core skills you will need to tackle the rest of your needs.

Lesson 8 - Add Adobe Audience Manager

This lesson will guide you through the steps to enable Adobe Audience Manager using Server-Side Forwarding.

[Adobe Audience Manager](#) (AAM) provides industry-leading services for online audience data management, giving digital advertisers and publishers the tools they need to control and leverage their data assets to help drive sales success.

Learning Objectives

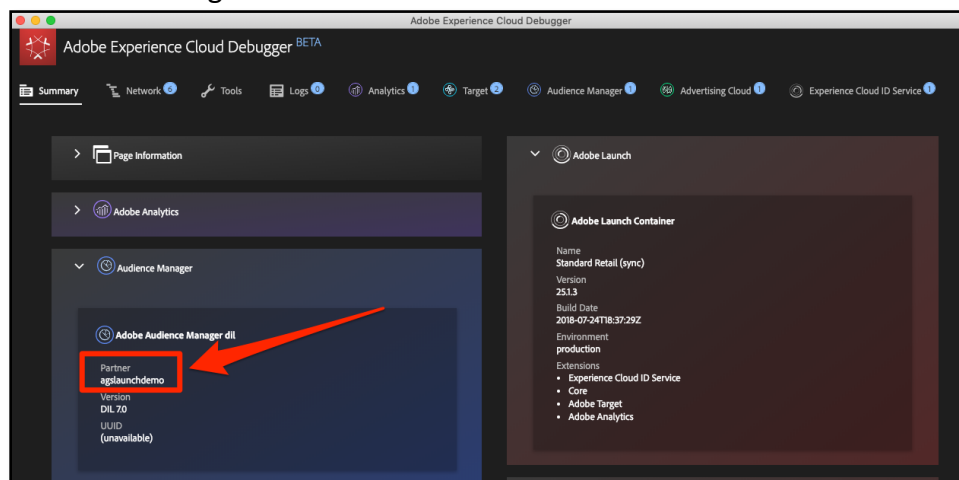
At the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

1. Describe the two main ways to implement Audience Manager in a website
2. Add Audience Manager using Server-Side Forwarding of the Analytics beacon
3. Validate the Audience Manager implementation

Prerequisites

In order to complete this lesson, you will need:

1. To have completed the lessons in [Configure Launch](#), [Add Adobe Analytics](#), and [Add the ID Service](#).
2. Admin access to Adobe Analytics so that you can enable Server-Side Forwarding for the report suite you are using for this tutorial. Alternatively, you can ask an existing admin at your organization to do this for you, following the instructions below.
3. Your “Audience Manager Subdomain” (also known as the “Partner Name” “Partner ID,” or “Partner Subdomain”). If you already have Audience Manager implemented on your actual website, the easiest way to obtain it is to go to your actual website and open the Debugger. The subdomain is available on the Summary tab, in the Audience Manager section:



If you don't already have Audience Manager implemented, please follow these instructions to [obtain your Audience Manager Subdomain](#).

Exercise 8.1: Implementation Options

There are two ways to implement Audience Manager in a website:

- **Server-Side Forwarding (SSF)** - for customers with Adobe Analytics, this is the easiest and recommended way to implement. Adobe Analytics forwards data to AAM on Adobe's backend, allowing for one less request on the page. This also enables key integration features and conforms with our best practices for Audience Manager code implementation and deployment.
- **Client-Side DIL** - This approach is for customers who do not have Adobe Analytics. DIL code (Data Integration Library Code, the AAM JavaScript configuration code) sends data directly from the web page into Audience Manager.

Since you have already deployed Adobe Analytics in this tutorial, you will deploy Audience Manager using Server-Side Forwarding. For a complete description and requirements list for Server-Side forwarding, please review the [documentation](#), so that you are familiar with how it works, what is required, and how to validate.

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Exercise 8.2: Enable Server-Side Forwarding

There are two main steps in doing a SSF implementation:

1. Turning on a "switch" in the Analytics Admin Console to forward data from Analytics to Audience Manager *per report suite*.
2. Putting the code in place, which is done via Launch. In order for this to work correctly, you will need to have the Experience Cloud ID Service extension installed, as well as the Analytics extension (You will actually *not* need the AAM extension, which is explained below).

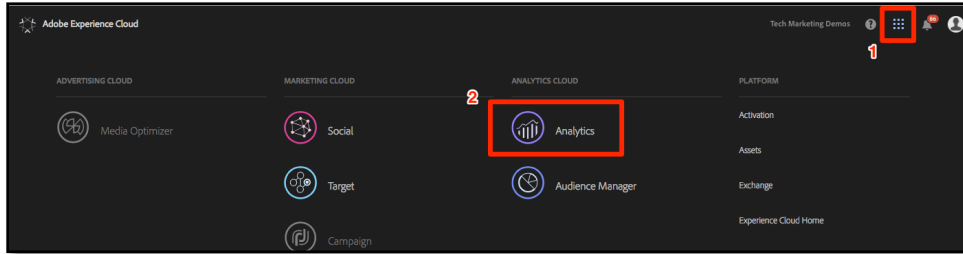
Exercise 8.2.1: Enable Server-Side Forwarding in the Analytics Admin Console

A configuration in the Adobe Analytics Admin Console is required to start forwarding data from Adobe Analytics to Adobe Audience Manager. Since it can take up to four hours to start forwarding the data, you should do this step first.

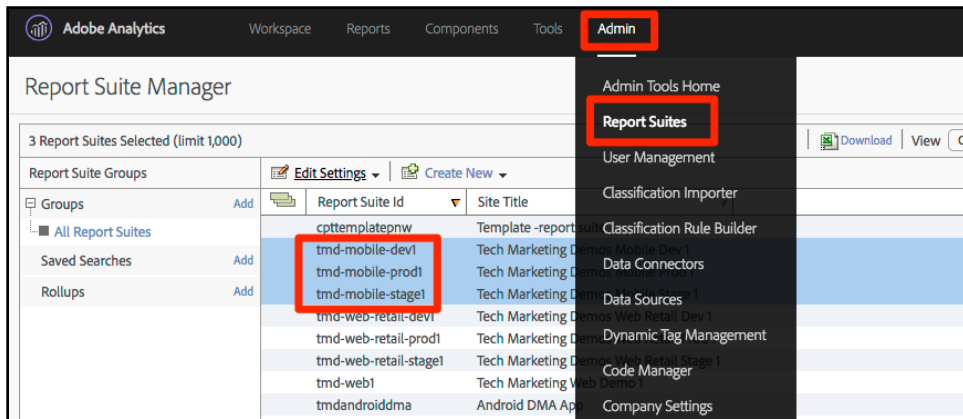
Exercise 8.2.1.1: To Enable SSF in the Analytics Admin Console

1. Log into Analytics via the Experience Cloud UI. If you don't have Admin access to Analytics, you will need to talk to your Experience Cloud or Analytics admin to assign

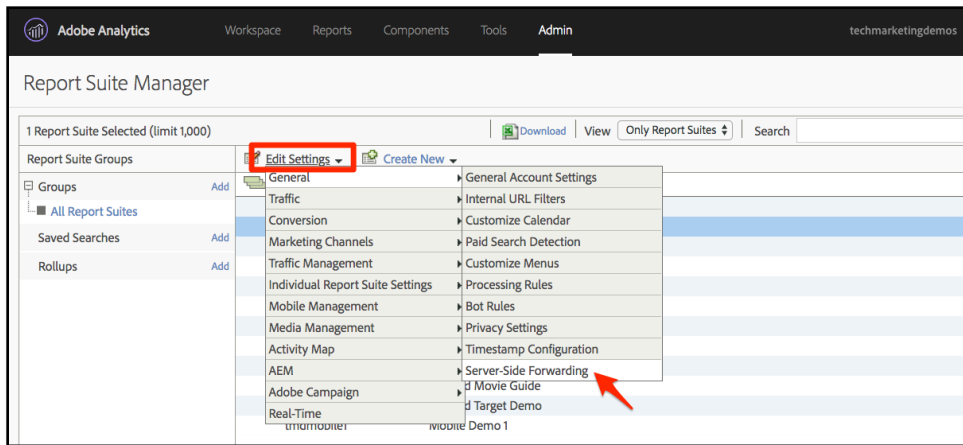
you access or complete these steps for you.



2. From the top navigation in Analytics, choose **[Admin > Report Suites]**, and from the list, select (multi-select) the report suite(s) that you want to forward to Audience Manager.



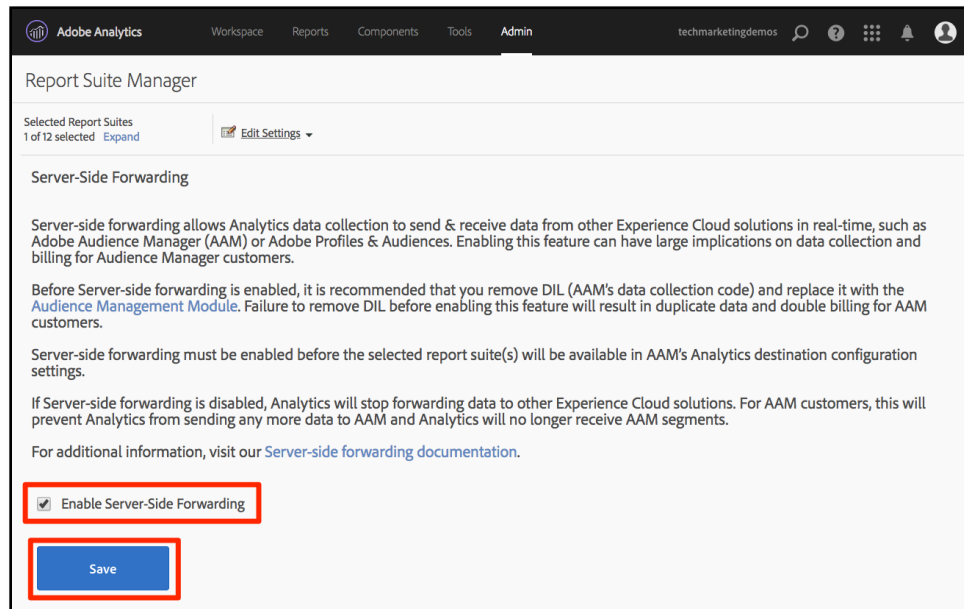
3. From the Report Suites screen and with the report suite(s) selected, choose **[Edit Settings > General > Server-Side Forwarding]**.



Warning: As stated above, you will need to have administrator privileges to see this menu item.

4. Once on the Server-Side Forwarding page, read the info and check the box to **[Enable Server-Side Forwarding]** for the report suite(s).

5. Click [Save]



Since SSF needs to be enabled per report suite, don't forget to repeat this step for your real report suites when you are deploying SSF on your actual site's report suite.

Also, if the SSF option is grayed out, you will need to "map the report suite(s) to your Experience Cloud Org in order to enable the option. This is explained in [the documentation](#).

Once this step has been completed, and if you have the Experience Cloud ID Service enabled, data will be forwarded from Analytics to AAM. However, to complete the process so that the response comes back correctly from AAM to the page (and also to Analytics via the Audience Analytics feature), you must complete the following step in Launch as well. Don't worry, it's super easy.

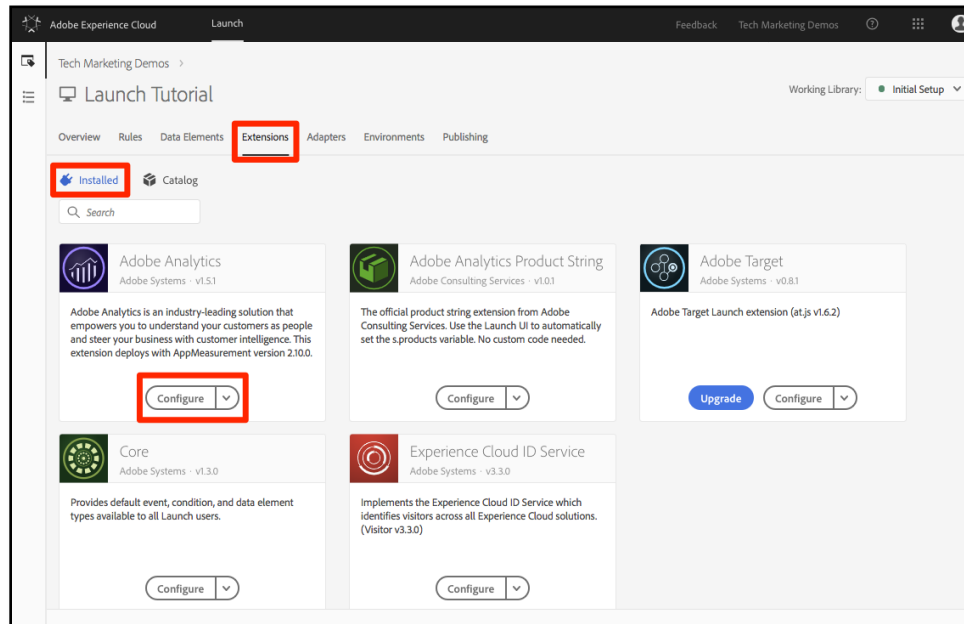
Exercise 8.2.2: Enable Server-Side Forwarding in Launch

This is the second of two steps for enabling SSF. You have already flipped the switch in the Analytics Admin Console, and now you just need to add the code, which Launch will do for you if you simply check the right box.

*NOTE: To implement Server-Side Forwarding of Analytics data into AAM, we will actually edit/configure the Analytics extension in Launch, **not** the AAM extension. The AAM extension is used exclusively for Client-Side DIL implementations, for those who do not have Adobe Analytics. So the following*

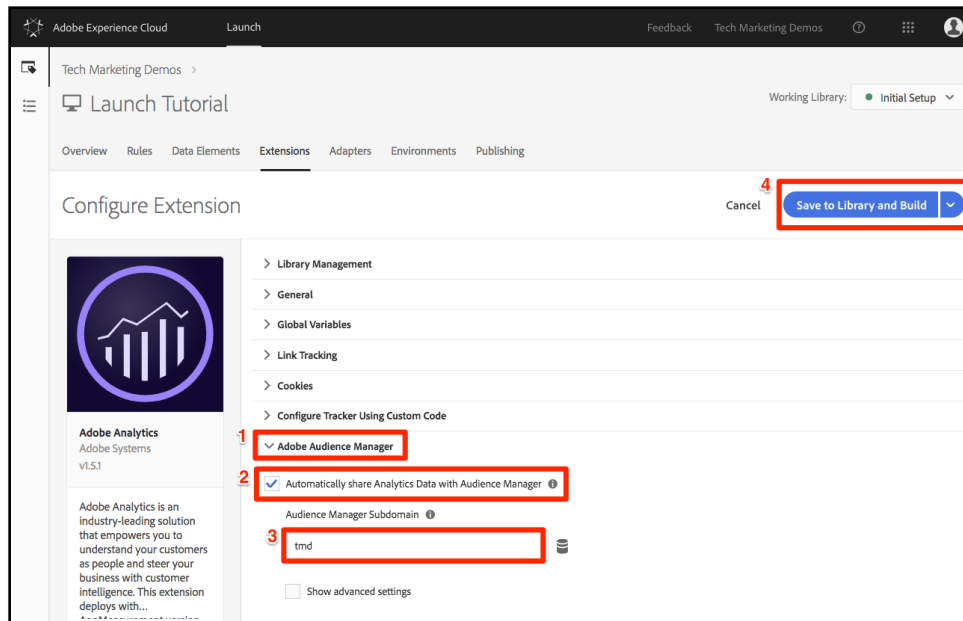
steps are correct when they send you into the Analytics extension to set this up.

1. Go to **[Extensions > Installed]** and click to configure the Analytics extension.



2. Expand the *Adobe Audience Manager* section
3. Check the box to **[Automatically share Analytics Data with Audience Manager]**. This will add the Audience Manager "Module" (code) to the Analytics *AppMeasurement.js* implementation.
4. Add your "Audience Manager Subdomain" (also known as the "Partner Name," "Partner ID," or "Partner Subdomain"). Follow these instructions to [obtain your Audience Manager Subdomain](#).

5. Click [Save to Library and Build]



Server-Side Forwarding code is now implemented!

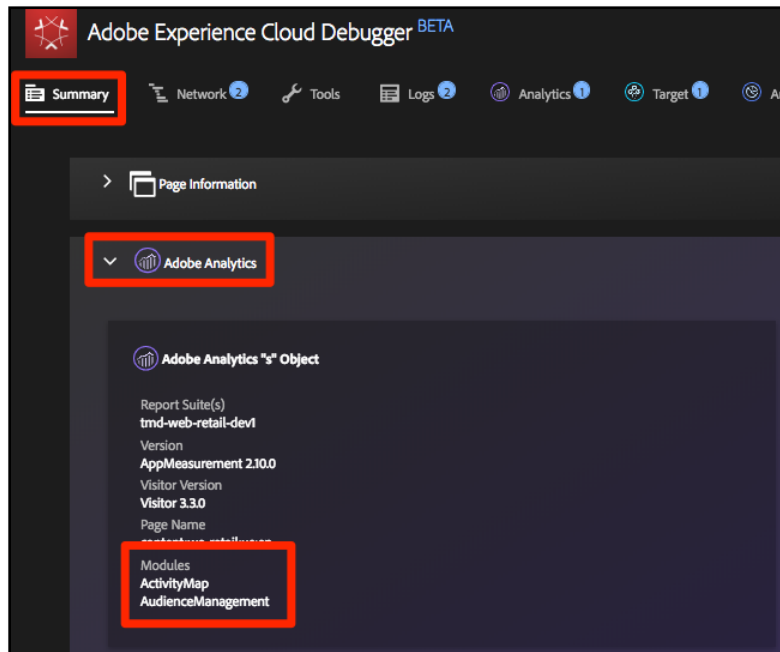
Exercise 8.2.3: Validate the Server-Side Forwarding

The main way to validate that the Server-Side Forwarding is up and running is by looking at the response to any of your Adobe Analytics hits. We'll get to that in a minute. In the mean time, let's check a couple of other things that can help us make sure that it is working the way we want it to.

The code that Adobe Launch installs to handle the forwarding, and especially the response from AAM to the page, is called the Audience Manager "Module." We can use the Experience Cloud Debugger to ensure that it has loaded.

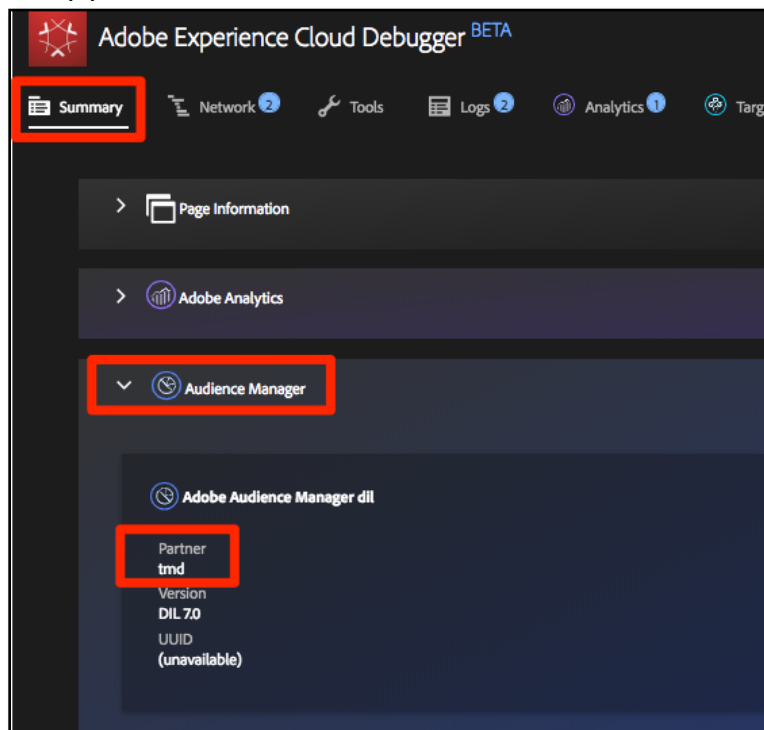
1. Open the We.Retail site
2. Click the debugger icon in your browser to open the Experience Cloud debugger
3. Staying on the Summary tab, scroll down to the Analytics section

4. Verify that **AudienceManagement** is listed under the Modules section



Next, we can also verify that the debugger is picking up the right "partner ID" (AKA Partner subdomain, etc.) from the code.

1. While still in the debugger, and still on the Summary tab, scroll down to the Audience Manager section
2. Verify your Partner ID/Subdomain under "Partner"



Warning: You may notice that the Audience Manager section of the debugger refers to "DIL", which is the "Data Integration Library," and typically refers to a client-side implementation, as opposed to the server-side approach that we have implemented here. The truth is that the AAM "Module" (used in this SSF approach) uses a lot of the same code as the client-side DIL library, and so this debugger is currently reporting it as such. If you have followed the steps in this tutorial, and the rest of the items in this validation section are correct, you may rest assured that server-side forwarding is working.

Lesson 9 - Experience Cloud Integrations

In this lesson, you will review the key integrations between the solutions you just implemented. The good news is that by completing the earlier lessons, you have already implemented the code-aspects of the integrations! You don't need to do any additional work in this lesson besides reading and validating.

Learning Objectives

At the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

1. Explain the basic use cases for Audience Sharing, Analytics for Target (A4T) and Customer Attributes integrations
2. Validate the basic client-side implementation aspects of these integrations

Prerequisites

You should complete all of the previous lessons in this tutorial before following the instructions in this lesson.

There are many user-permissions requirements, account configurations, and provisioning steps that are required to fully use these integrations and which are beyond the scope of this tutorial. If you are not already using these integrations in your current implementation of the Experience Cloud, you should consider the following:

- Review the full requirements of the [Core Services integrations](#)
- Review the full requirements of the [Analytics for Target integration](#)
- Have an Administrator of your Experience Cloud Organization [request provisioning of these integrations](#)

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Exercise 9.1: Audiences

[Audiences](#) is part of the People Core Service and allows you to share audiences between solutions. For example you can create an audience in Audience Manager and use it to deliver personalized content with Target.

The main requirements to implement A4T - which you have already done - are to:

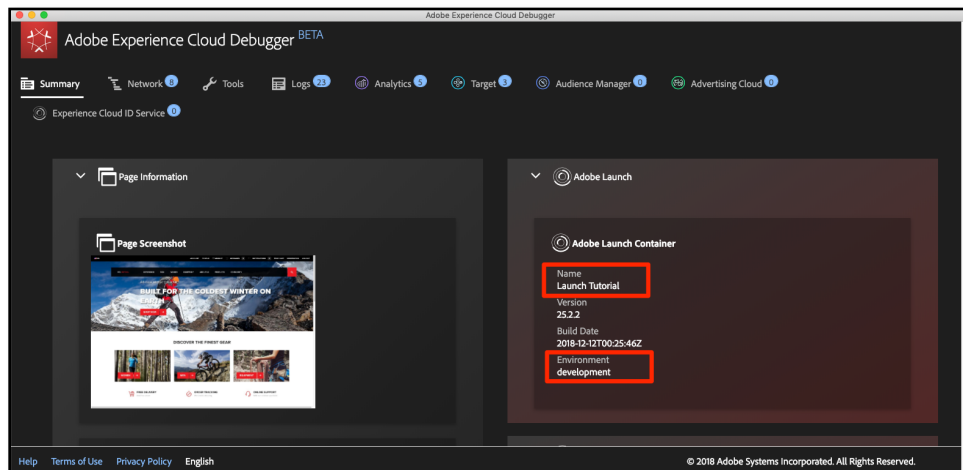
1. Implement the Experience Cloud Id Service
2. Implement Audience Manager
3. Implement other solutions which you would like to receive or create audiences, such as Target and Analytics

Exercise 9.1.1: Validate the Audiences integration

The best way to validate the Audiences integration is to actually build an audience, share it to another solution, and then fully use it in the other solution (e.g. confirm that a visitor who qualifies for an AAM segment can qualify for a Target activity targeted to that segment). However, this is beyond the scope of this tutorial.

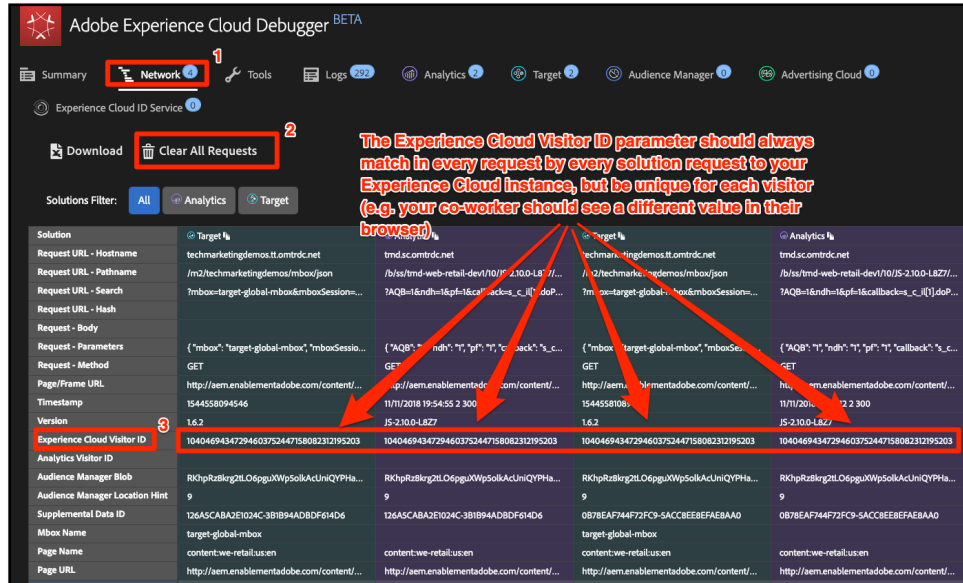
These validation steps will focus on the critical part visible in the client-side implementation--the Visitor ID.

1. Open the [We.Retail site](#)
2. Make sure the Debugger is mapping the Launch property to *your* Development environment, as described in the [earlier lesson](#)



3. Go to the Network tab of the Debugger
4. Click **[Clear All Requests]** just to clean things up
5. Reload the We.Retail page, making sure that you see both the Target and Analytics requests in the Debugger
6. Reload the We.Retail page again
7. You should now see four requests in the Network tab of the Debugger - two for Target and two for Analytics

- Look in the row labeled "Experience Cloud Visitor ID." The IDs in every request by every solution should always be the same.



- The IDs are unique per visitor, which you can confirm by asking a co-worker to repeat these steps.

Exercise 9.2: Analytics for Target (A4T)

The [Analytics for Target \(A4T\)](#) integration allows you to leverage your Analytics data as the source for reporting metrics in Target.

The main requirements to implement A4T - which you have already done - are to:

- Implement the Experience Cloud Id Service
- Fire the global mbox before the Analytics page view beacon

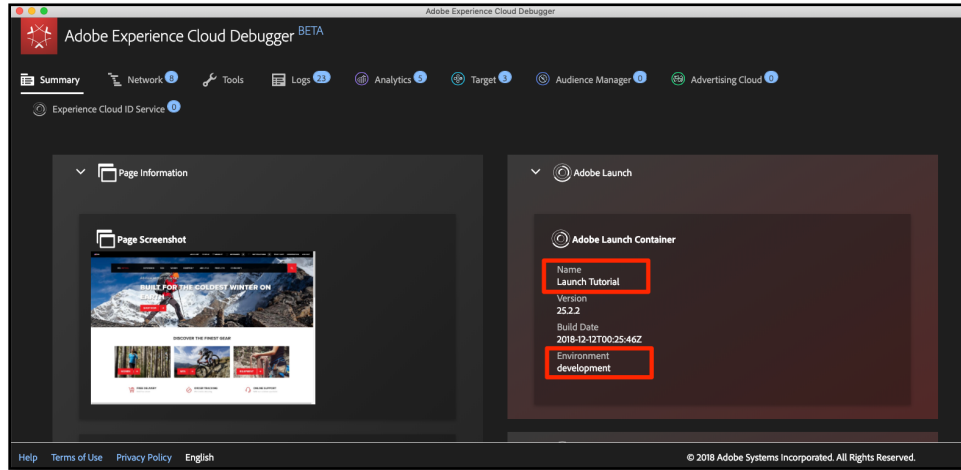
A4T works by stitching together a server-side request from Target to Analytics with the Analytics page view beacon, which we call "hit-stitching." Hit-stitching requires that the Target request which delivers the activity (or increments a Target-based goal metric) have a parameter which matches a parameter in the Analytics page view beacon. This parameter is called the supplemental data id (SDIDs).

Exercise 9.2.1: Validate the A4T Implementation

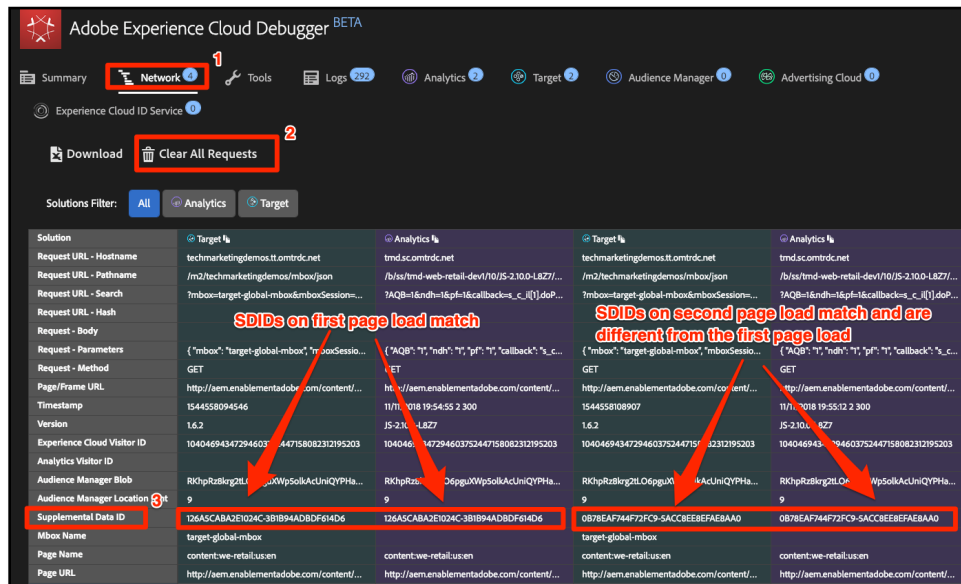
The best way to validate the A4T integration is to actually build a Target activity using A4T and validate the reporting data, however this is beyond the scope of this tutorial. This tutorial will show you how to confirm that the supplemental data ids match between the solution calls.

- Open the [We.Retail site](#)

2. Make sure the Debugger is mapping the Launch property to *your* Development environment, as described in the [earlier lesson](#)



3. Go to the Network tab of the Debugger
4. Click **[Clear All Requests]** just to clean things up
5. Reload the We.Retail page, making sure that you see both the Target and Analytics requests in the Debugger
6. Reload the We.Retail page again
7. You should now see four requests in the Network tab of the Debugger - two for Target and two for Analytics
8. Look in the row labeled "Supplemental Data ID." The IDs from the first page load should match between Target and Analytics. The IDs from the second page load should also match, but be different from the first page load.



If you make additional Target requests in the scope of a page load (not including single-page apps) that are part of A4T activities, it's good to give them unique names (not target-global-mbox) so that they will continue to have the same SDIDs of the initial Target and Analytics requests.

Exercise 9.3: Customer Attributes

[Customer Attributes](#) is a part of the People Core Service that allows you to upload data from your customer relationship management (CRM) database and leverage it in Adobe Analytics and Adobe Target.

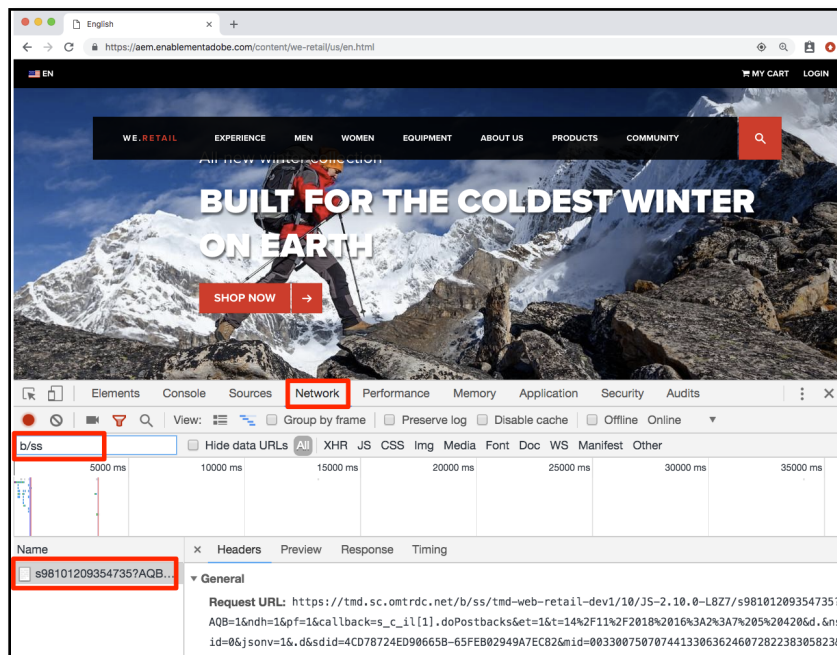
The main requirements to implement Customer Attributes - which you have already done - are to:

1. Implement the Experience Cloud Id Service
2. Set Customer Ids via the Id Service *before* Target and Analytics fire their requests (which you accomplished using the rule ordering feature in Launch)

Exercise 9.3.1: Validate the Customer Attributes Implementation

You have already validated that the Customer IDs are passed to both the ID Service and to Target in earlier lessons. You can also validate the Customer ID in the Analytics hit as well. At this time, the Customer ID is one of the few parameters that does not show up in the Experience Cloud Debugger, so you will use the browser's JavaScript Console to view it.

1. Open the We.Retail site
2. Open your browser's Developer Tools
3. Go to the Network tab
4. In the filter field, type *b/ss* which will limit what you see to the Adobe Analytics requests



5. Click the **[LOGIN]** link in the top right corner of the site



Username: *test@adobe.com*

Password: test

6. Click the **[LOGIN]** button

test@adobe.com

LOGIN

Not a member? Sign up for a new account
Forgot User Name/Password

7. It should return you to the Homepage, which will also trigger a beacon that you can see in the Developer Tools. If you are taken to the account info page, click on the WE.RETAIL logo to return to the homepage.
8. Click on the request and select the Headers tab
9. Scroll down until you see some nested parameters
 - i. cid - this is the standard delimiter for the Customer ID portion of the request
 - ii. crm_id - This is the custom integration code, which you specified in the ID Service lesson
 - iii. id - The Customer ID value coming from your *Email (Hashed)* data element
 - iv. as - The Authentication State, with "1" meaning logged in

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Headers

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crm_id:  
id: 112ca06ed53d3db37e4cea49cc45b71e  
as: 1  
.crm_id:  
.cid:  
d.:  
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```

Lesson 10 - Publish your Launch Property

Now that you have implemented some key solutions of the Adobe Experience Cloud in your Development environment, it's time to learn the publishing workflow.

Learning Objectives

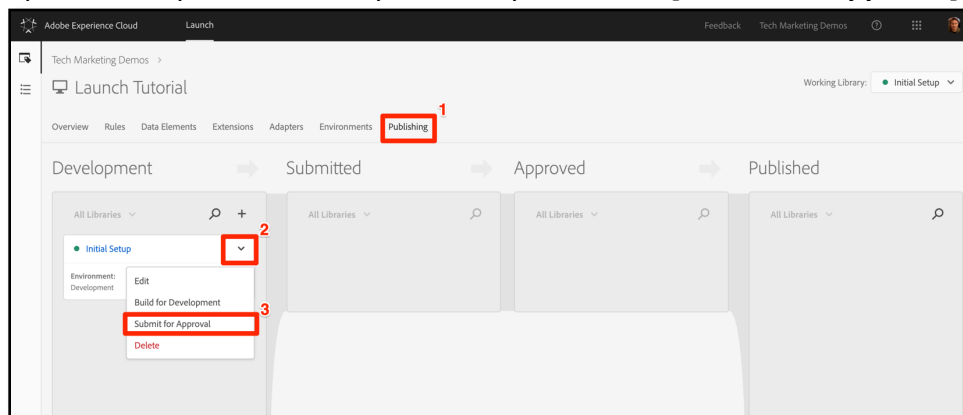
At the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

1. Publish a Development library to the Staging environment
2. Map a Staging library to your production website using the Debugger
3. Publish a Staging library to the Production environment

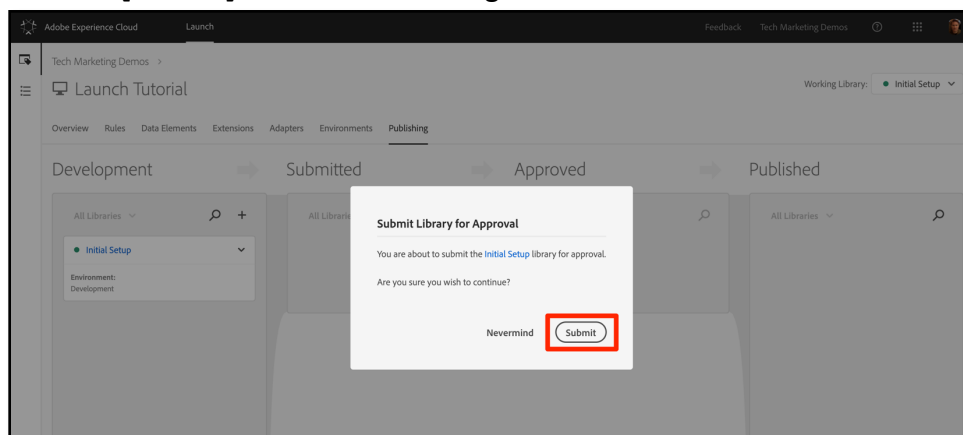
Exercise 10.1: Publish to Staging

Now that you have created and validated your library in the Development environment, it is time to publish it to Staging.

1. Go to the **[Publishing]** page
2. Open the dropdown next to your library and select **[Submit for Approval]**

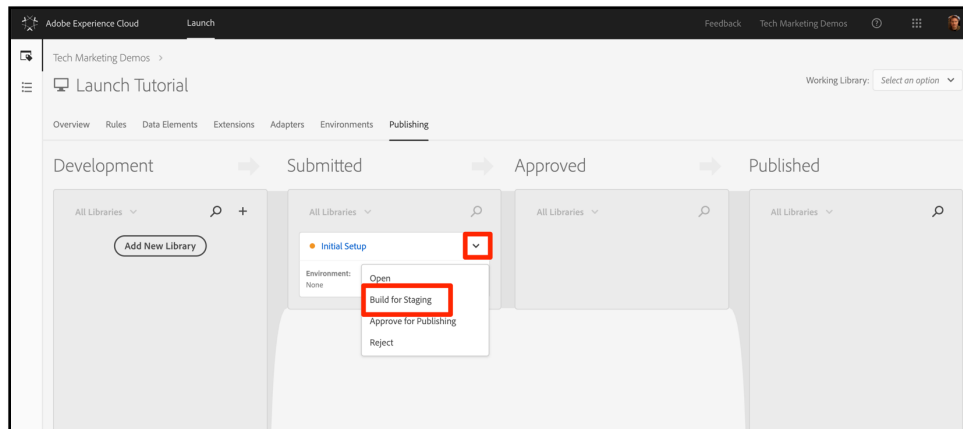


3. Click the **[Submit]** button in the dialog




4. Your library will now appear in the [Submitted] column in an unbuilt state:

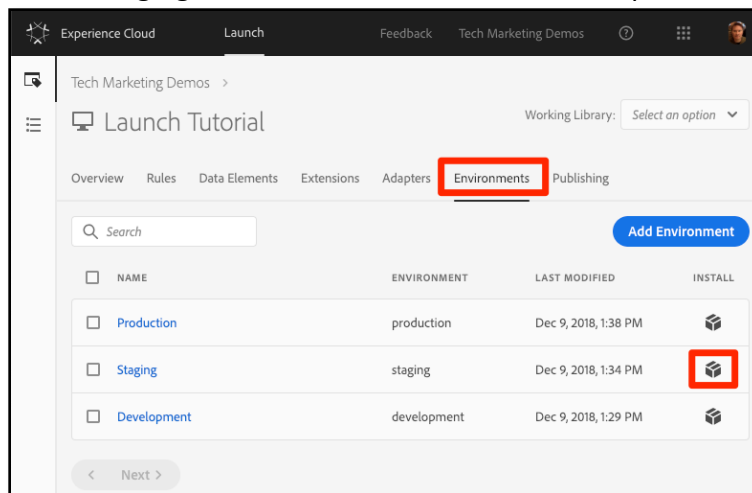
5. Open the dropdown and select **[Build for Staging]**




6. Once the green-dot icon appears, the library can be previewed in the Staging environment.

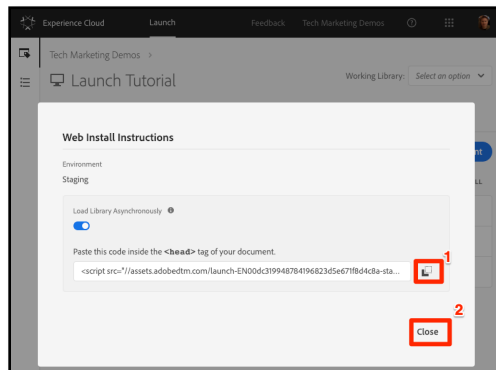
In a real-life scenario, the next step in the process would typically be to have your QA team validate the changes in the Staging library. They can do this using the Debugger.


1. In your Launch property, open the [Environments] page
2. In the [Staging] row, click the Install icon  to open the modal

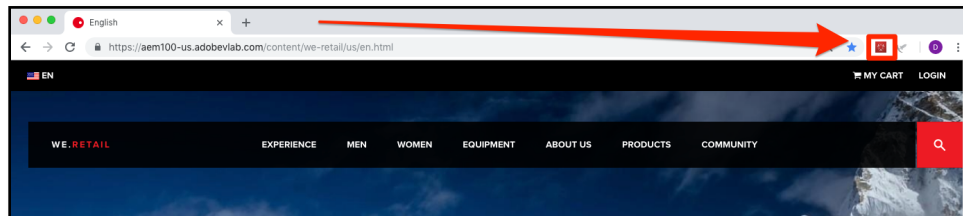


3. Click the Copy icon  to copy the embed code to your clipboard

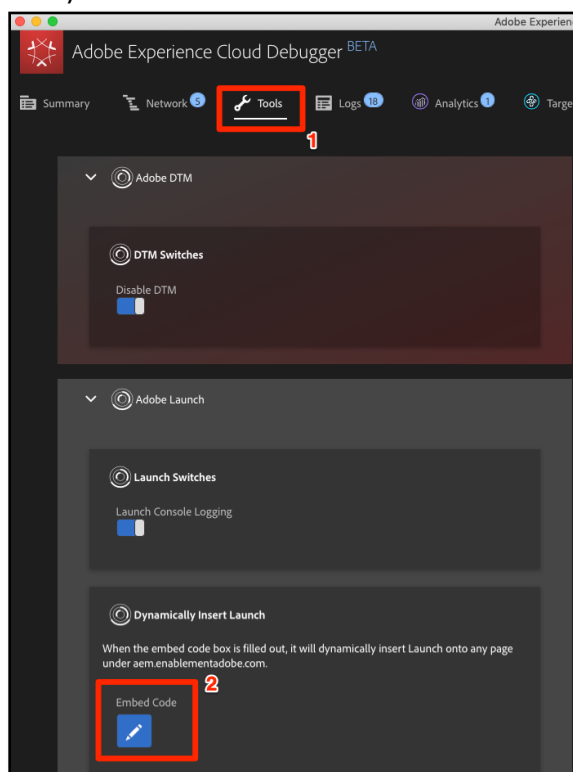
4. Click **[Close]** to close the modal



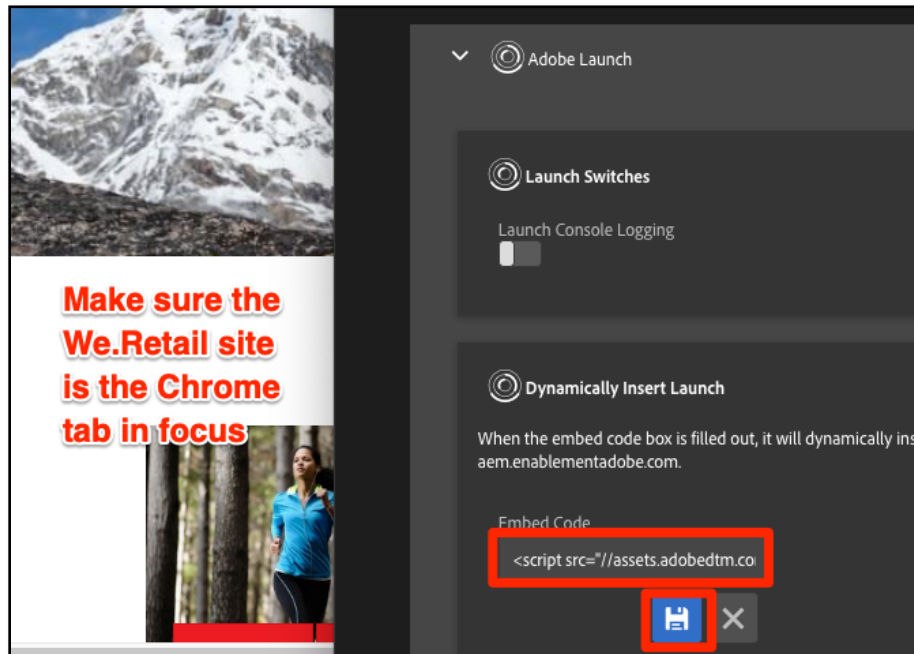
5. Open the [We.Retail demo site](#) in your Chrome browser
6. Open the [Experience Cloud Debugger extension](#) by clicking the  icon



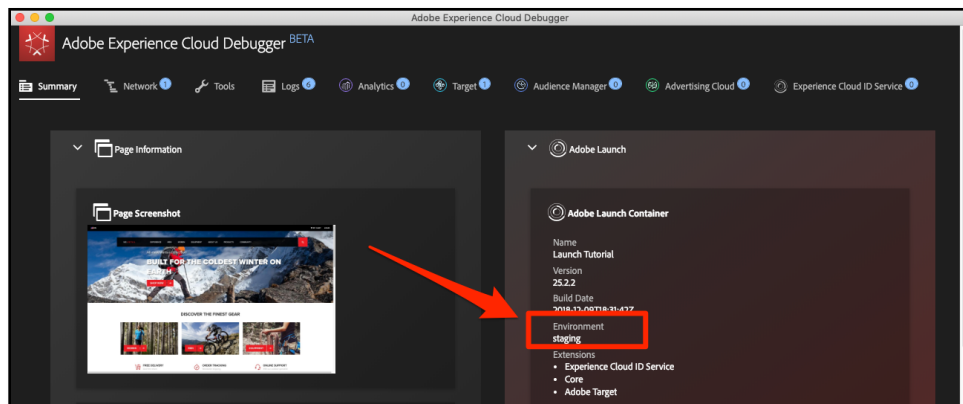
7. Go to the Tools Tab
8. Click **[Adobe Launch > Dynamically Insert Launch > Embed Code]** button to open the text input field (it might currently have the URL of your Development embed code):



9. Paste the Staging embed code that is in your clipboard
10. Click the disk icon to save



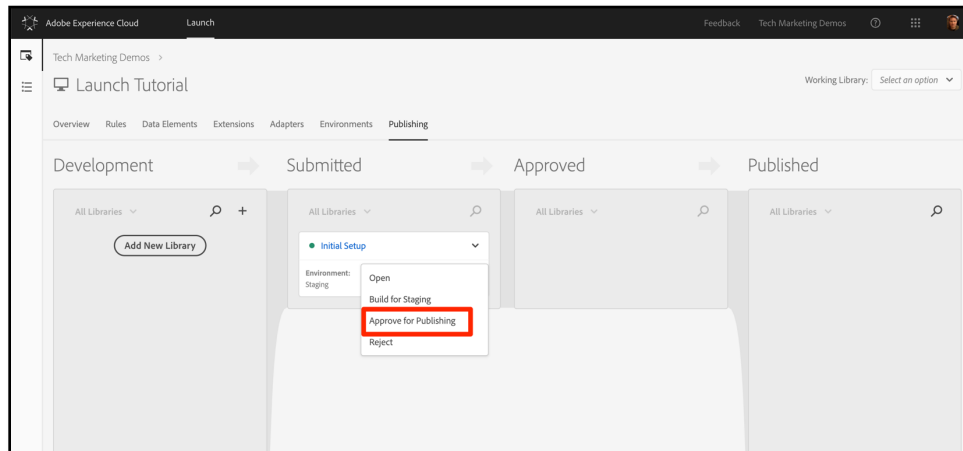
11. Reload and check the Summary tab of the Debugger. Under the Launch section, you should now see your Staging Property is implemented, showing your property name (I.e. "Launch Tutorial" or whatever you named your property)!



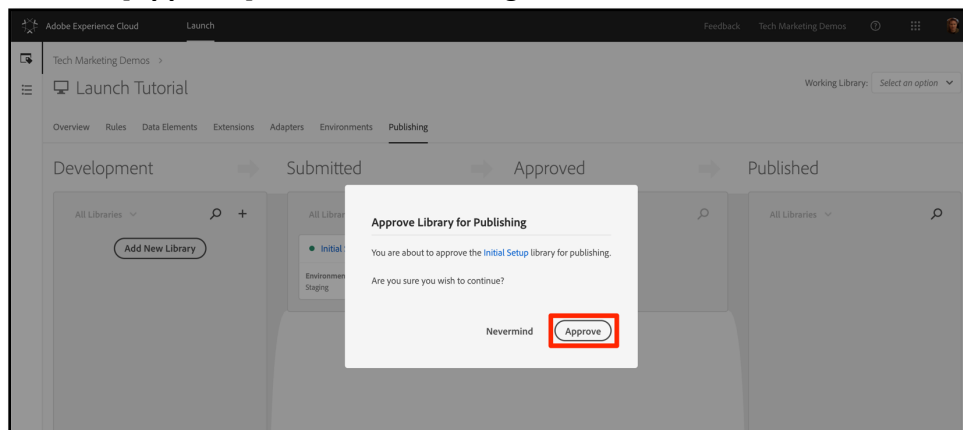
In real-life, once your QA team has signed off by reviewing the changes in the Staging environment it is time to publish to production.

Exercise 10.2: Publish to Production

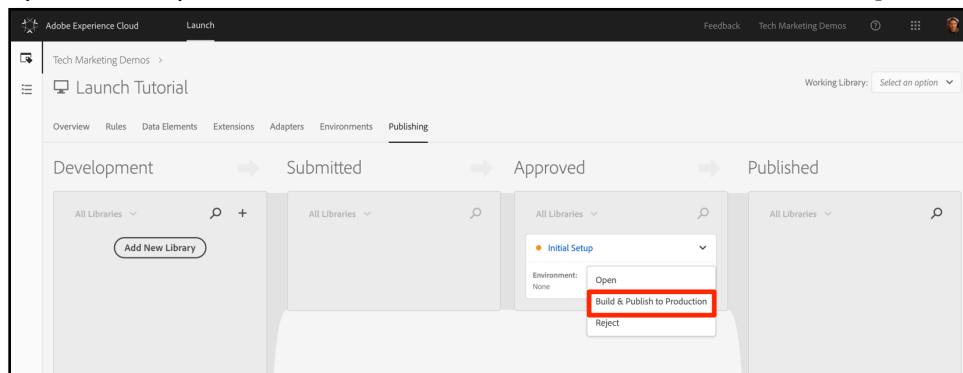
1. Go to the [Publishing] page
2. From the dropdown, click **[Approve for Publishing]**:



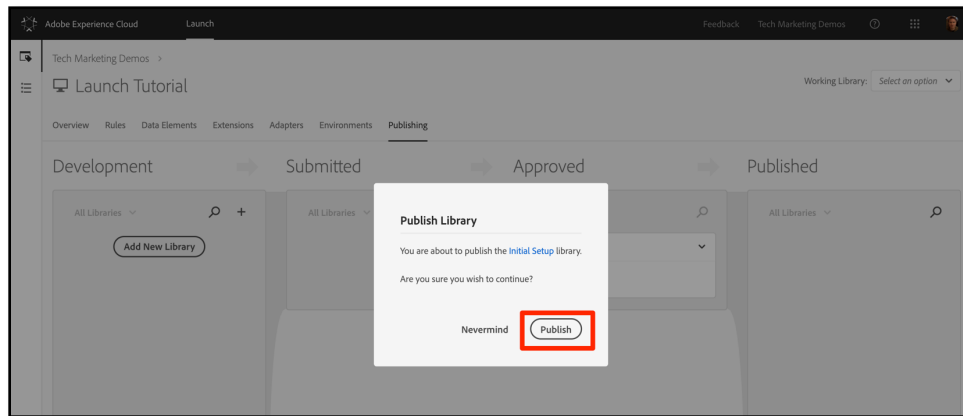
3. Click the **[Approve]** button in the dialog box:



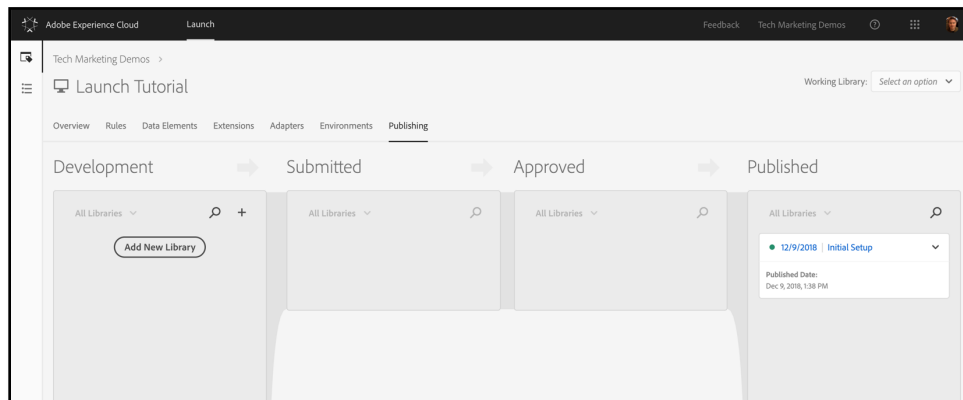
4. The library will now appear in the [Approved] column in the unbuilt state (yellow dot):
5. Open the dropdown and select ****[Build and Publish to Production]**:



6. Click the **[Publish]** in the dialog box:



7. The library will now appear in the **[Published]** column



That's it! You've completed the tutorial and published your first property in Launch!

Additional Resources

Additional resources can be found at adobe.com/go/summit2019-l779
