

IE417 : Embedded AI

Lab - 2 YouTube Playback Control using
Gesture Code

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Introduction

Using an accelerometer on the Arduino Nano BLE 33 Sense, this project uses Edge Impulse for machine learning to control YouTube with gestures. Python and the PyAutoGUI module are used to simulate keyboard shortcuts so that gesture inputs can control YouTube.

Data Collection

Data was gathered using the onboard Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU) of the Arduino Nano BLE 33 Sense, which captures acceleration across three axes: X, Y, and Z. This acceleration data was sampled and subsequently processed using Edge Impulse for analysis.

Steps for Data Collection:

- **Sensor Data:** Acceleration measurements were obtained along three axes—**accX**, **accY**, and **accZ**.
- **Gestures Recorded:** Three distinct gestures were tracked: circular motion, vertical motion (up/down), and lateral motion (pan).
 - **Circle Gesture:** Represents the command to move to the next video.
 - **Up/Down Gesture:** Corresponds to the action of muting or unmuting.
 - **Pan Gesture:** Linked to the play/pause function for media control.

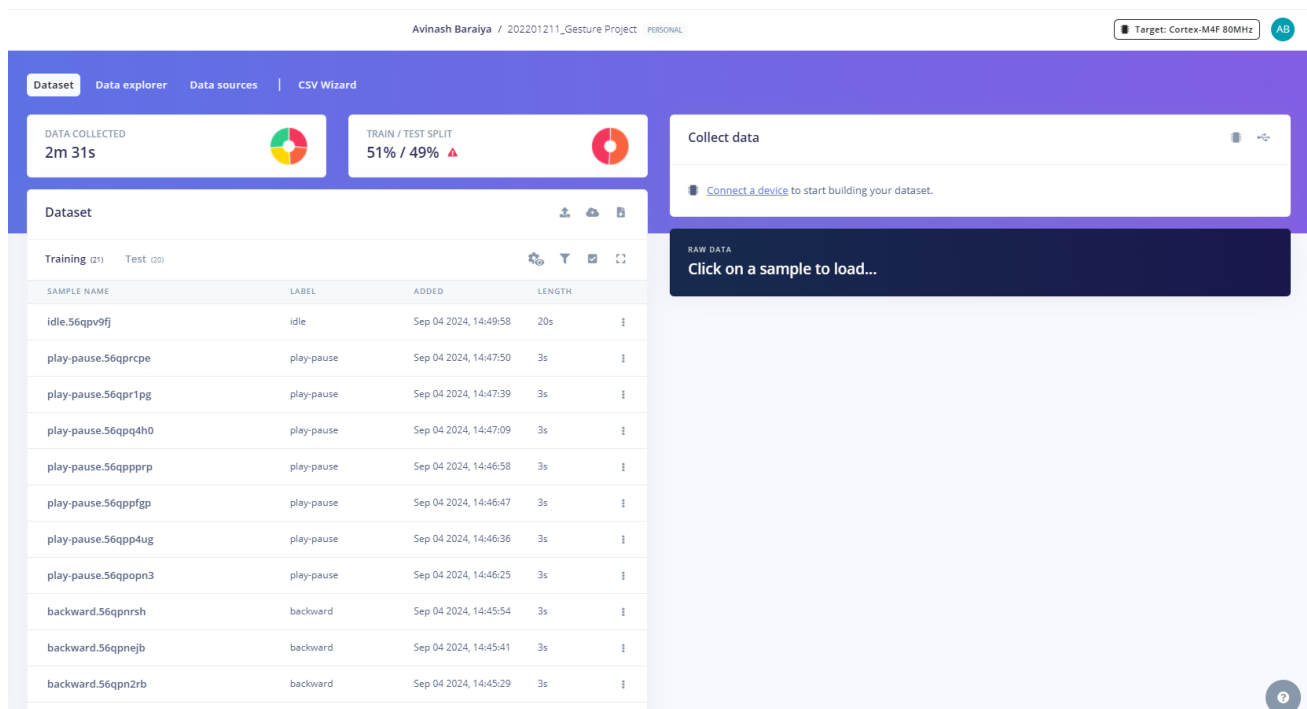


Figure 1 : Data Acquisition

Spectral Analysis

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Target: Cortex-M4F 80MHz AB

Impulse #1

An impulse takes raw data, uses signal processing to extract features, and then uses a learning block to classify new data.

Time series data

Input axes (9)
accX, accY, accZ, gyrX, gyrY, gyrZ, magX, magY, magZ

Window size
2,000 ms.

Window increase
200 ms.

Frequency (Hz)
100

Zero-pad data
☒

Spectral Analysis

Name
Spectral features

Input axes (3)
☒ accX
☒ accY
☒ accZ
☐ gyrX
☐ gyrY
☐ gyrZ
☐ magX
☐ magY
☐ magZ

Classification

Name
Classifier

Input features
☒ Spectral features

Output features
4 (backward, forward, idle, play-pause)

Add a learning block

Output features

4 (backward, forward, idle, play-pause)

Save Impulse

Figure 2 : Create Impulse

Classification

Model

Model version: ?

Quantized (int8)

Last training performance (validation set)

ACCURACY
88.4%

LOSS
0.28

Confusion matrix (validation set)

	BACKWARD	FORWARD	IDLE	PLAY-PAUSE
BACKWARD	100%	0%	0%	0%
FORWARD	71.4%	28.6%	0%	0%
IDLE	0%	0%	100%	0%
PLAY-PAUSE	0%	0%	0%	100%
F1 SCORE	0.76	0.44	1.00	1.00

Testing and Results

Once the model was trained, we tested its performance by feeding it new gesture data and verifying if it correctly classified the actions. The model's performance was satisfactory for all the gestures with minimal errors.



Test data					Model testing output				
Set the 'expected outcome' for each sample to the desired outcome to automatically score the impulse.					Model version: ? Unoptimized (float32) ▾				
SAMPLE NAME	EXPECTED OUTCOME	LENGTH	ACCURACY	RESULT	Results				
play-pause.56qq...	play-pause	3s	100%	6 play-pause	ACCURACY 68.97%				
play-pause.56qq...	play-pause	3s	100%	6 play-pause	Metrics for Classifier				
play-pause.56qq...	play-pause	3s	100%	6 play-pause	Area under ROC Curve ?				
play-pause.56qq...	play-pause	3s	100%	6 play-pause	Weighted average Precision ?				
play-pause.56qq...	play-pause	3s	100%	6 play-pause	Weighted average Recall ?				
play-pause.56qq...	play-pause	3s	100%	6 play-pause	Weighted average F1 score ?				
backward.56qq9...	backward	3s	67%	4 backward, 2 uncertain	Confusion matrix				
backward.56qq8...	backward	3s	100%	6 backward	BACKWARD				
backward.56qq8...	backward	3s	50%	3 backward, 3 uncertain	FORWARD				
backward.56qq8...	backward	3s	50%	3 backward, 3 uncertain	IDLE				
					PLAY-PAUSE				
					UNCERTAIN				
					F1 SCORE				

Code Implementation

- Reads the gesture commands from the Serial port.
- Uses the PyAutoGUI library to simulate YouTube keyboard controls:
 - "next" → right arrow key (next video)
 - "mute" → 'm' key (mute/unmute)
 - "play" → 'k' key (play/pause)

```
# if you don't have pyautogui & pyserial installed
# pip install pyserial pyautogui

# pyautogui is used for control of the mouse and keyboard, and other GUI automation
tasks
# pyserial is a python library used for working with serial ports
# time is used to create time related task in the program for delaying or early
activation of certain function

import serial
import time
import pyautogui

# Set thresholds for gesture detection or confidence threshold to make sure your
desired gesture is working
CIRCLE_THRESHOLD = 0.7
CROSS_THRESHOLD = 0.7
PAN_THRESHOLD = 0.7

def open_serial_connection():
    try:
        ser = serial.Serial('COM3', 115200) # change COM Port as per system is
        showing or open arduino IDE to check which COM Port is Used
        print("Connected to the serial port")
        time.sleep(2) # Wait for the serial connection to initialize
        return ser
    except serial.SerialException as e:
        print(f"Error connecting to serial port: {e}")
        return None

def classify_gesture(incoming):
    # Extracting gesture and confidence from the incoming data
    if 'circle' in incoming:
        confidence = float(incoming.split(':')[1].strip())
        if confidence > CIRCLE_THRESHOLD:
            print(f"Circle gesture detected with confidence {confidence}. Pressing
'm' key")
            pyautogui.press('m')
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elif 'cross' in incoming:
    confidence = float(incoming.split(':')[1].strip())
    if confidence > CROSS_THRESHOLD:
        print(f"Cross gesture detected with confidence {confidence}. Pressing
'k' key")
        pyautogui.press('k')
elif 'pan' in incoming:
    confidence = float(incoming.split(':')[1].strip())
    if confidence > PAN_THRESHOLD:
        print(f"Pan gesture detected with confidence {confidence}. Pressing
'Shift + n' key")
        pyautogui.hotkey('shift', 'n')

def main():
    ser = open_serial_connection()
    if ser is None:
        return # Exit if unable to connect

    try:
        while True:
            try:
                incoming = ser.readline().decode('utf-8').strip()
                print(f"Received: {incoming}")

                # Look for predictions in the incoming data
                if "Predictions" in incoming:
                    # Continue reading lines until we get the classification result
                    for _ in range(3):
                        incoming = ser.readline().decode('utf-8').strip()
                        classify_gesture(incoming)

            except serial.SerialException as e:
                print(f"Error reading from serial port: {e}")
                break
            except UnicodeDecodeError as e:
                print(f"Decoding error: {e}")
            except Exception as e:
                print(f"Unexpected error: {e}")

        finally:
            if ser is not None and ser.is_open:
                ser.close()
                print("Serial port closed.")

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()

```

Arduino Code

```
/* Edge Impulse ingestion SDK
 * Copyright (c) 2022 EdgeImpulse Inc.
 *
 * Licensed under the Apache License, Version 2.0 (the "License");
 * you may not use this file except in compliance with the License.
 * You may obtain a copy of the License at
 * http://www.apache.org/licenses/LICENSE-2.0
 *
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 * distributed under the License is distributed on an "AS IS" BASIS,
 * WITHOUT WARRANTIES OR CONDITIONS OF ANY KIND, either express or implied.
 * See the License for the specific language governing permissions and
 * limitations under the License.
 */

/* Includes ----- */
#include <a202201211_Gesture_Project_inferencing.h>
#include <Arduino_LSM9DS1.h> //Click here to get the library:
https://www.arduino.cc/reference/en/libraries/arduino\_lsm9ds1/

/* Constant defines ----- */
#define CONVERT_G_TO_MS2    9.80665f
#define MAX_ACCEPTED_RANGE  2.0f           // starting 03/2022, models are generated
setting range to +-2, but this example use Arudino library which set range to +-4g.
If you are using an older model, ignore this value and use 4.0f instead

/*
 ** NOTE: If you run into TFLite arena allocation issue.
 **
 ** This may be due to may dynamic memory fragmentation.
 ** Try defining "-DEI_CLASSIFIER_ALLOCATION_STATIC" in boards.local.txt (create
 ** if it doesn't exist) and copy this file to
 ** <ARDUINO_CORE_INSTALL_PATH>/arduino/hardware/<mbed_core>/<core_version>/`.
 **
 ** See
 ** (https://support.arduino.cc/hc/en-us/articles/360012076960-Where-are-the-
installed-cores-located-)
 ** to find where Arduino installs cores on your machine.
 **
 ** If the problem persists then there's not enough memory for this model and
application.
 */

/* Private variables ----- */
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static bool debug_nn = false; // Set this to true to see e.g. features generated
from the raw signal

/**
 * @brief      Arduino setup function
 */
void setup()
{
    // put your setup code here, to run once:
    Serial.begin(115200);
    // comment out the below line to cancel the wait for USB connection (needed for
native USB)
    while (!Serial);
    Serial.println("Edge Impulse Inferencing Demo");

    if (!IMU.begin()) {
        ei_printf("Failed to initialize IMU!\r\n");
    }
    else {
        ei_printf("IMU initialized\r\n");
    }

    if (EI_CLASSIFIER_RAW_SAMPLES_PER_FRAME != 3) {
        ei_printf("ERR: EI_CLASSIFIER_RAW_SAMPLES_PER_FRAME should be equal to 3
(the 3 sensor axes)\n");
        return;
    }
}

/**
 * @brief      Return the sign of the number
 *
 * @param      number
 * @return     int 1 if positive (or 0) -1 if negative
 */
float ei_get_sign(float number) {
    return (number >= 0.0) ? 1.0 : -1.0;
}

/**
 * @brief      Get data and run inferencing
 *
 * @param[in]  debug  Get debug info if true
 */
void loop()
{
    ei_printf("\nStarting inferencing in 2 seconds...\n");

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delay(2000);

ei_printf("Sampling...\n");

// Allocate a buffer here for the values we'll read from the IMU
float buffer[EI_CLASSIFIER_DSP_INPUT_FRAME_SIZE] = { 0 };

for (size_t ix = 0; ix < EI_CLASSIFIER_DSP_INPUT_FRAME_SIZE; ix += 3) {
    // Determine the next tick (and then sleep later)
    uint64_t next_tick = micros() + (EI_CLASSIFIER_INTERVAL_MS * 1000);

    IMU.readAcceleration(buffer[ix], buffer[ix + 1], buffer[ix + 2]);

    for (int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
        if (fabs(buffer[ix + i]) > MAX_ACCEPTED_RANGE) {
            buffer[ix + i] = ei_get_sign(buffer[ix + i]) * MAX_ACCEPTED_RANGE;
        }
    }

    buffer[ix + 0] *= CONVERT_G_TO_MS2;
    buffer[ix + 1] *= CONVERT_G_TO_MS2;
    buffer[ix + 2] *= CONVERT_G_TO_MS2;

    delayMicroseconds(next_tick - micros());
}

// Turn the raw buffer in a signal which we can the classify
signal_t signal;
int err = numpy::signal_from_buffer(buffer, EI_CLASSIFIER_DSP_INPUT_FRAME_SIZE,
&signal);
if (err != 0) {
    ei_printf("Failed to create signal from buffer (%d)\n", err);
    return;
}

// Run the classifier
ei_impulse_result_t result = { 0 };

err = run_classifier(&signal, &result, debug_nn);
if (err != EI_IMPULSE_OK) {
    ei_printf("ERR: Failed to run classifier (%d)\n", err);
    return;
}

// print the predictions
ei_printf("Predictions ");
ei_printf("(DSP: %d ms., Classification: %d ms., Anomaly: %d ms.)",
    result.timing.dsp, result.timing.classification, result.timing.anomaly);

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    ei_printf(": \n");
    for (size_t ix = 0; ix < EI_CLASSIFIER_LABEL_COUNT; ix++) {
        ei_printf("    %s: %.5f\n", result.classification[ix].label,
result.classification[ix].value);
    }
    #if EI_CLASSIFIER_HAS_ANOMALY == 1
        ei_printf("    anomaly score: %.3f\n", result.anomaly);
    #endif
}

#if !defined(EI_CLASSIFIER_SENSOR) || EI_CLASSIFIER_SENSOR !=
EI_CLASSIFIER_SENSOR_ACCELEROMETER
#error "Invalid model for current sensor"
#endif
```

Practical Working Video Link

<https://youtu.be/ExCY1Zeibpg?si=sdKgYLFxkwahvY01>