VSCode + GNU Arm Toolchain and Build System User Guide

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Outline – 2

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  - NPU Project
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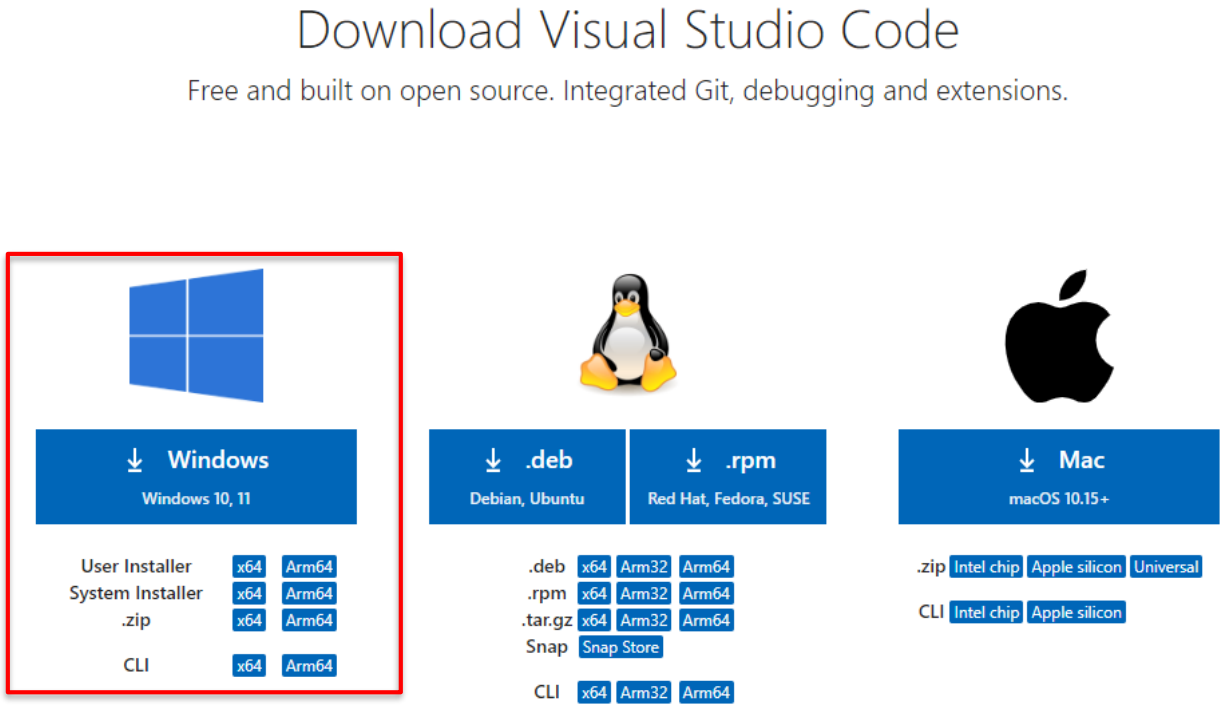
Prepare: Install Development Tool & Plug

1. Install Visual Studio Code(VSCode)
   - https://code.visualstudio.com/download
2. Install Embedded IDE(EIDE) plug in VSCode
   - https://marketplace.visualstudio.com/items?itemName=CL.eide
3. Install .NET6 X64 Runtime package
   - After install EIDE done, The plug-in will auto download and install eide-binaries and .NET6 X64 Runtime package
4. Install GNU Arm Embedded Toolchain in VSCode
5. Install OpenOCD Programmer in VSCode
6. Install Cortex-Debug plug in VSCode

Prepare work:
Install Development Tool & Plug

Install Visual Studio Code(VSCode)



Install Embedded IDE(EIDE) in VSCode

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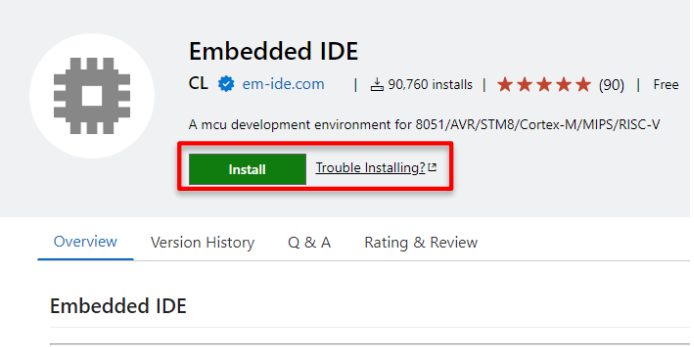

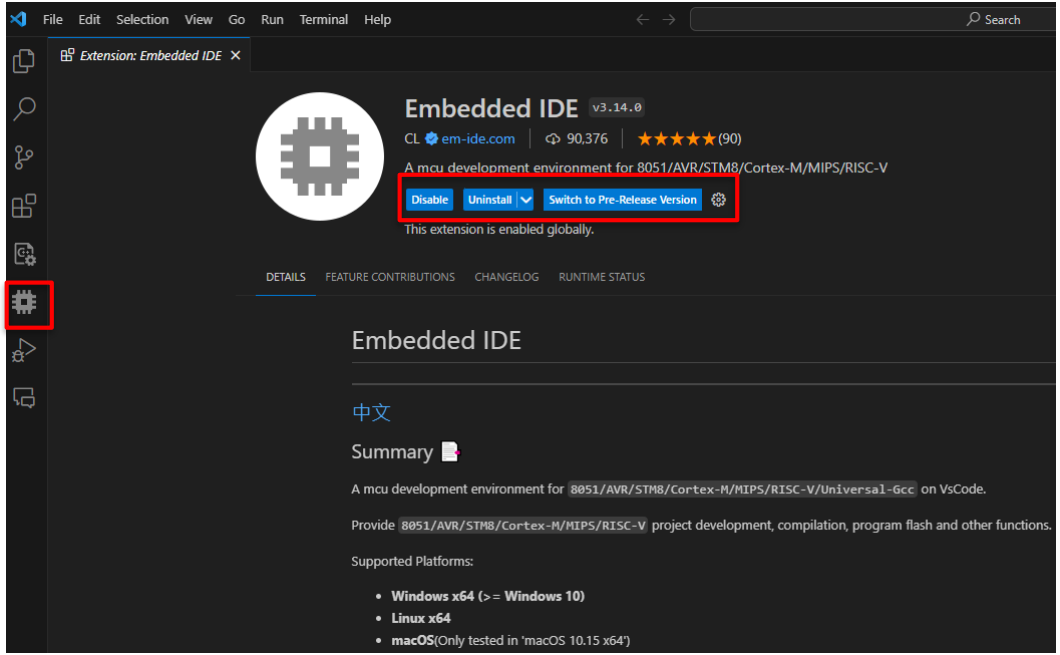

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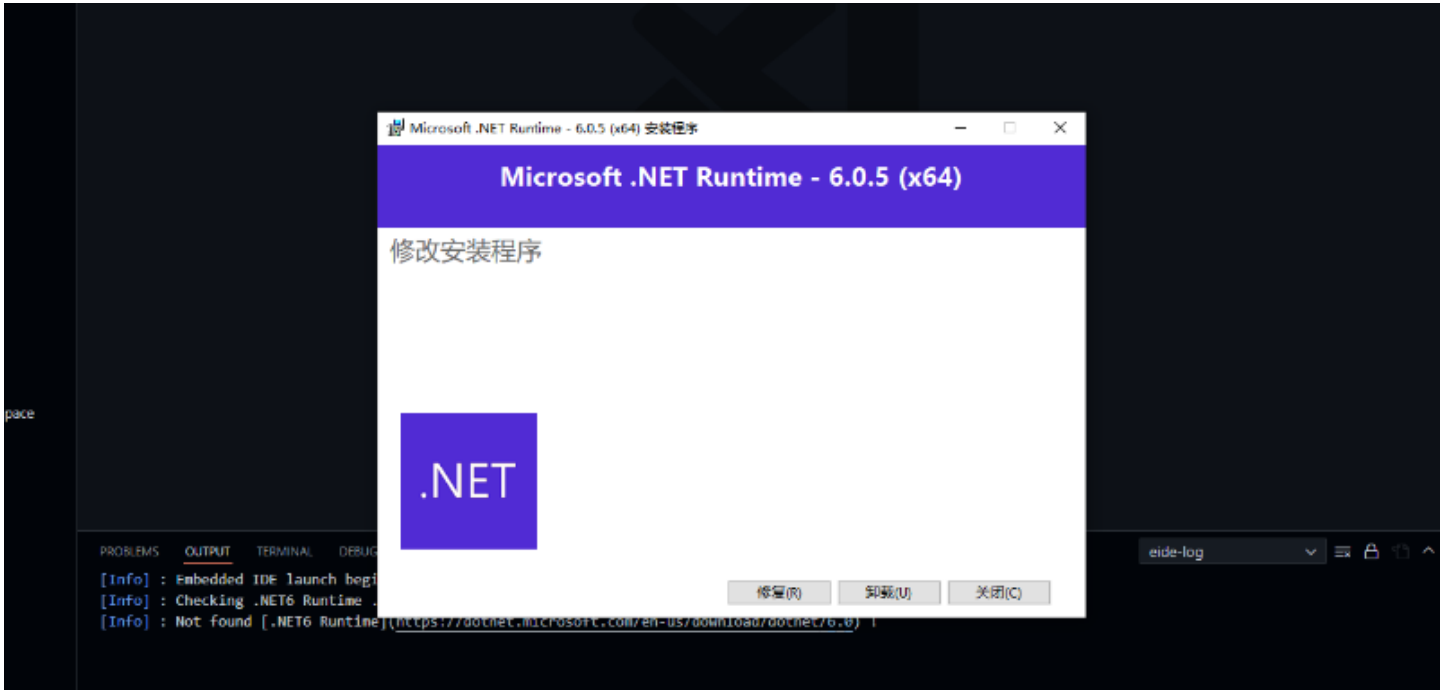

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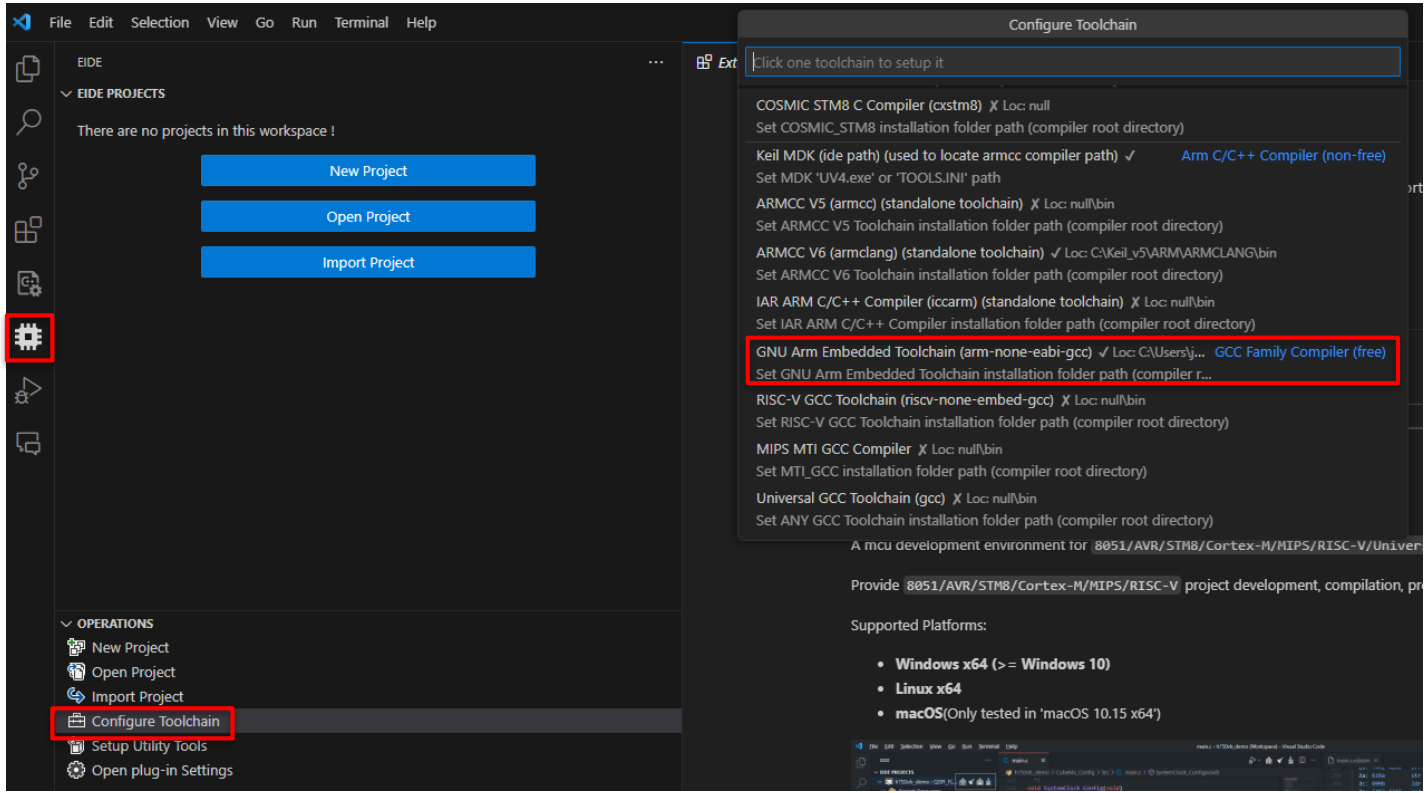

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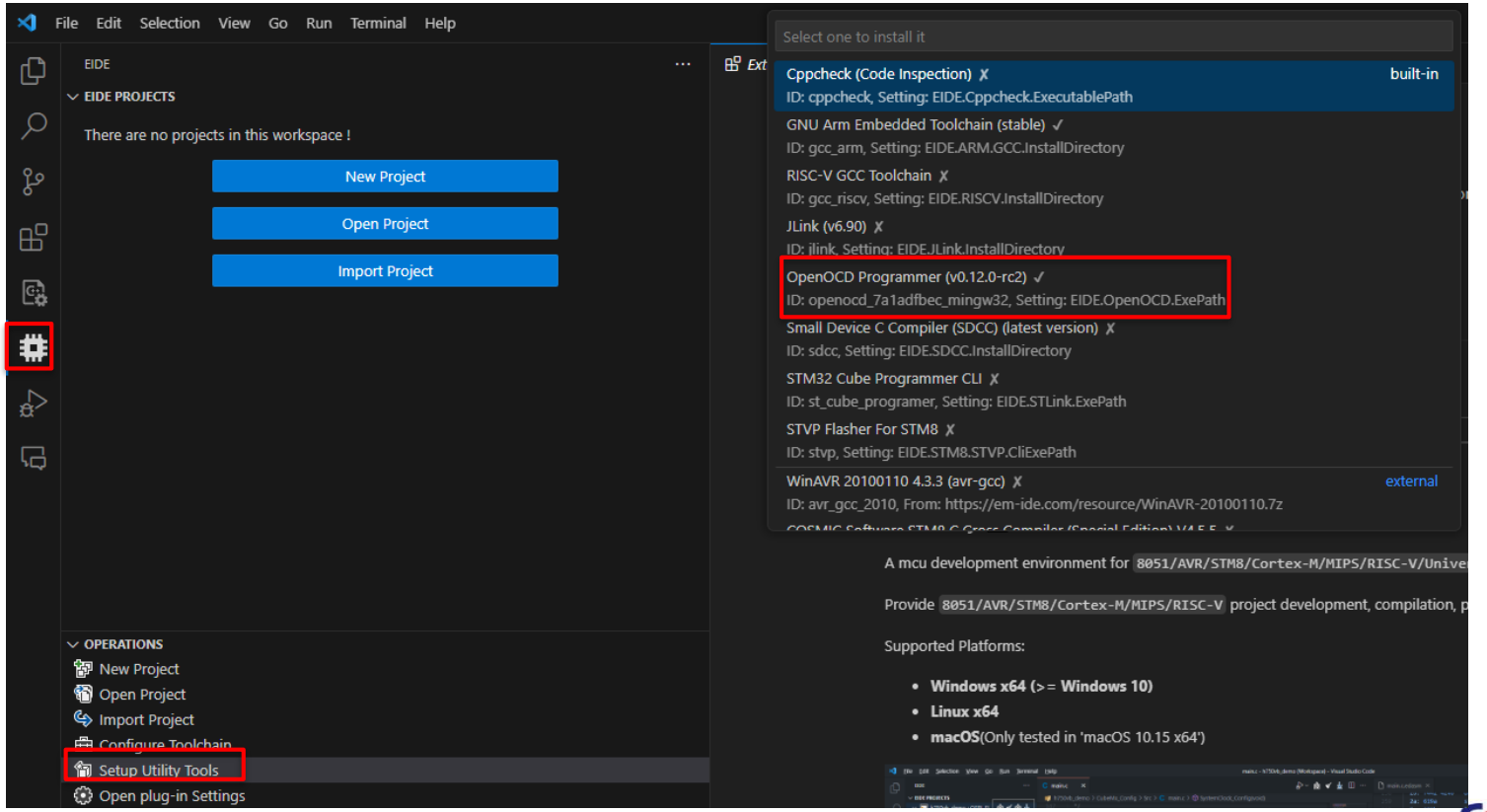

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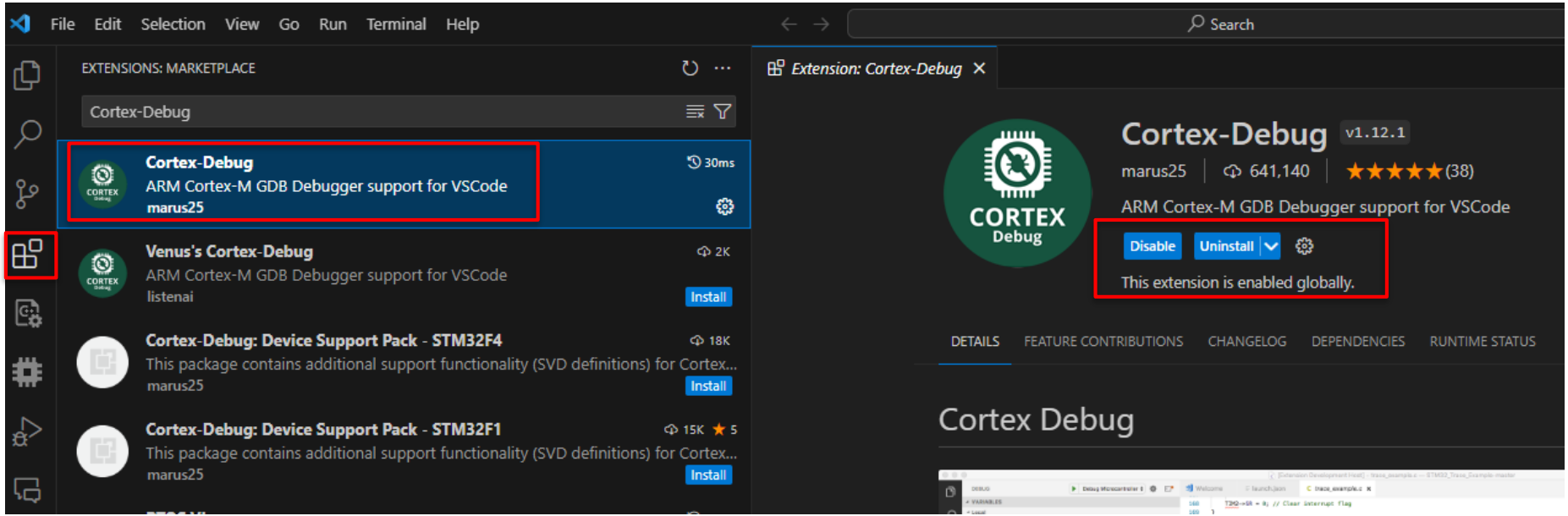
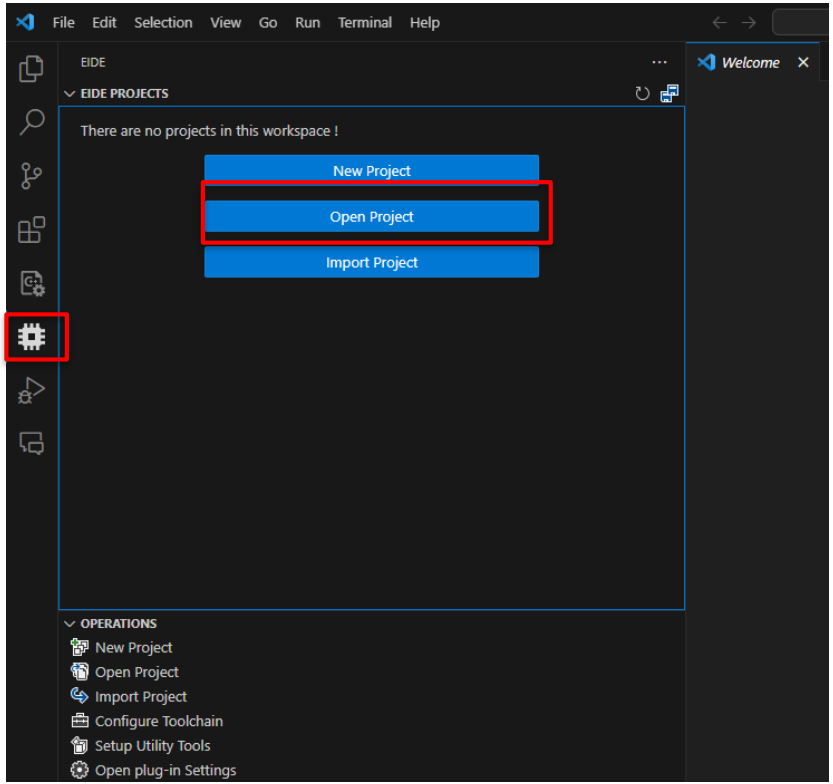
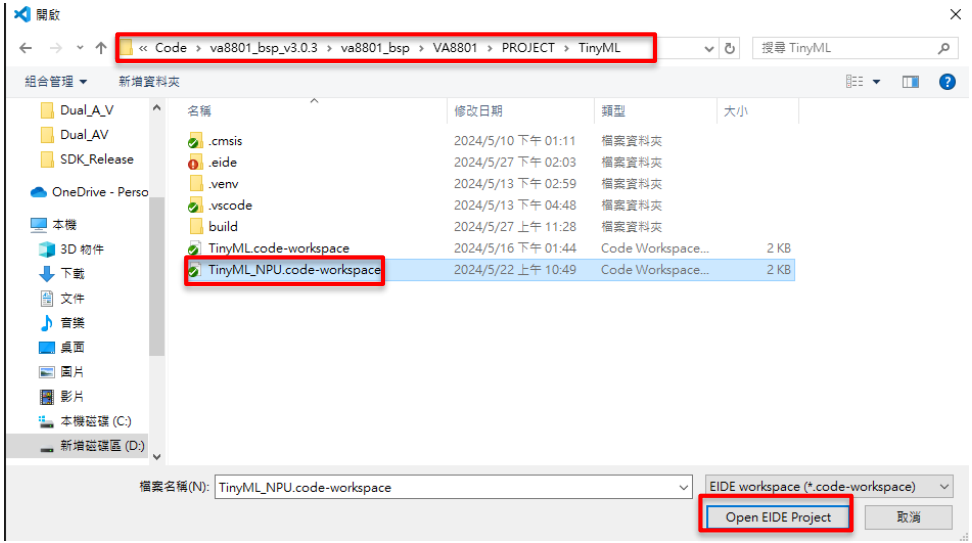
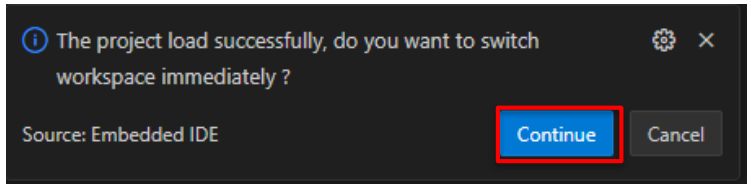


Open VSCode EIDE Project

Open Existing EIDE Project – 1







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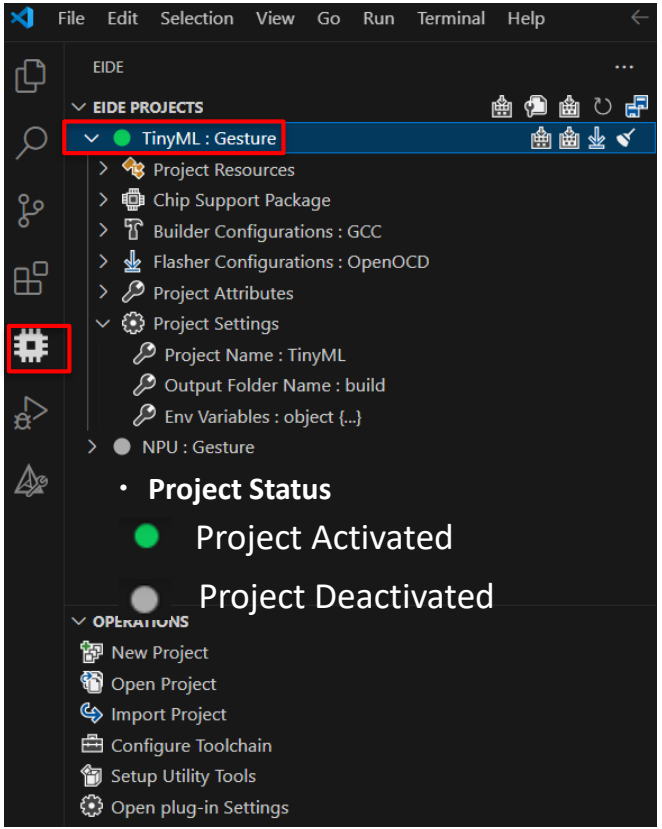

- **Project Resources**
  - Display project source code folder, builder output files
- **Chip Support Package**
  - Ignore
- **Builder Configuration**
  - Setting CPU Type, Linker Script(.ld), Complier/Linker configuration etc..
- **Flasher Configuration**
  - Setting Debug mode configuration
- **Project Attributes**
  - Setting Project Include header file paths, Preprocessor Defines, Library Search Directories etc..
- **Project Setting**
  - Setting Project Name, Output Folder Name, Environment Variables


EIDE Project


Build


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Program Flash


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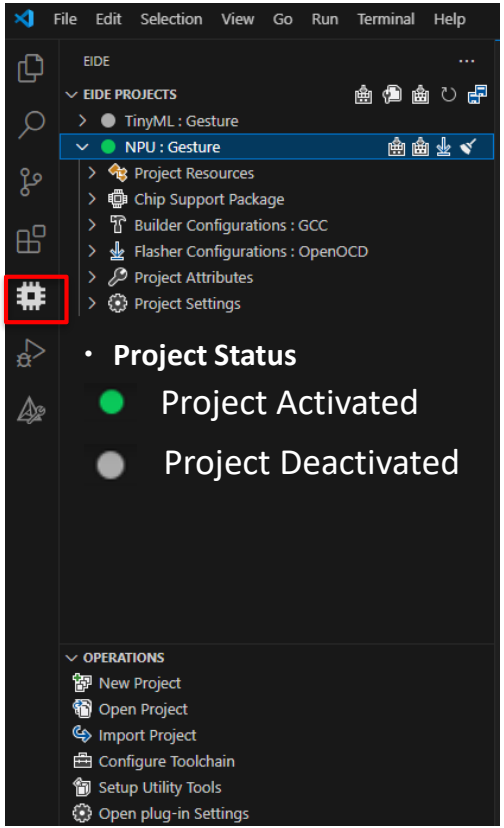
Open Existing EIDE Project (NPU) – 3



- **Project Resources**
  - Display project source code folder, builder output files
  - Tengen Compiler output file(AI Model C code)
- **Chip Support Package**
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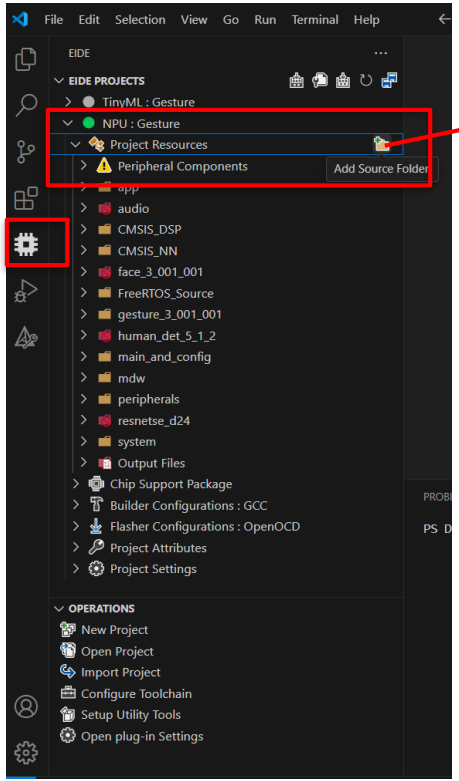
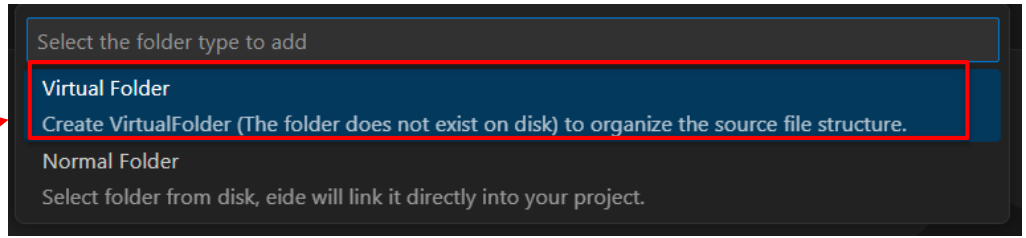
How to Add Tengen Compiler output C code(AI Model) in NPU Project

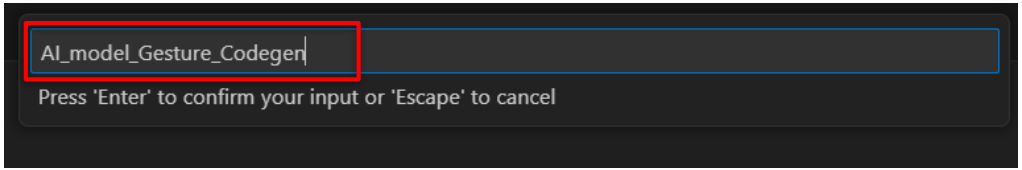
How to Add Tengen Compiler output C code(AI Model) in NPU Project – 1

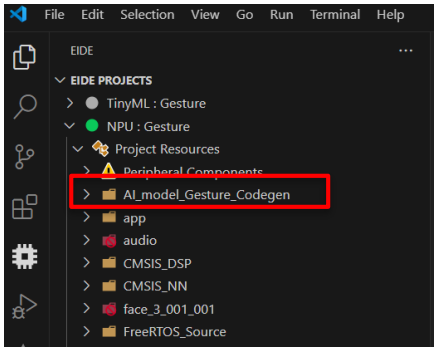
- Prepare the AI model (There are the following two options)
  1. Download from the VA8801 Model Zoo
     - https://github.com/FITI-HCITA/VA8801_Model_Zoo
  2. Self-develop AI model
- Use Tengen Compiler to convert the AI model into C code
  1. Detail reference: SDK root Path\VA8801_BSPSDK_V3.000.000_release\Tengen Compiler\Tengen Compiler User Guide v1.0.3.pdf
- Tengen Compiler output AI mode C code inc and src file put to VA8801_BSPSDK_V3.000.000 _release \ Code\va8801_bsp-v3.000.000.zip\va8801_bsp-v3.000.000\VA8801\NPU\Middleware\codegen
- How to add AI model C code inc and src in VSCode NPU Project
  - Reference next page

How to Add Tengen Compiler output C code(AI Model) in NPU Project – 2









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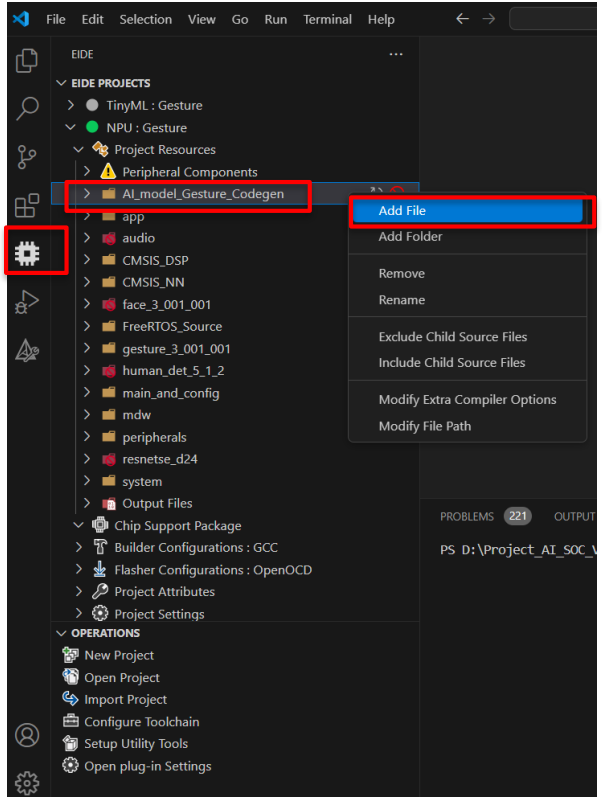

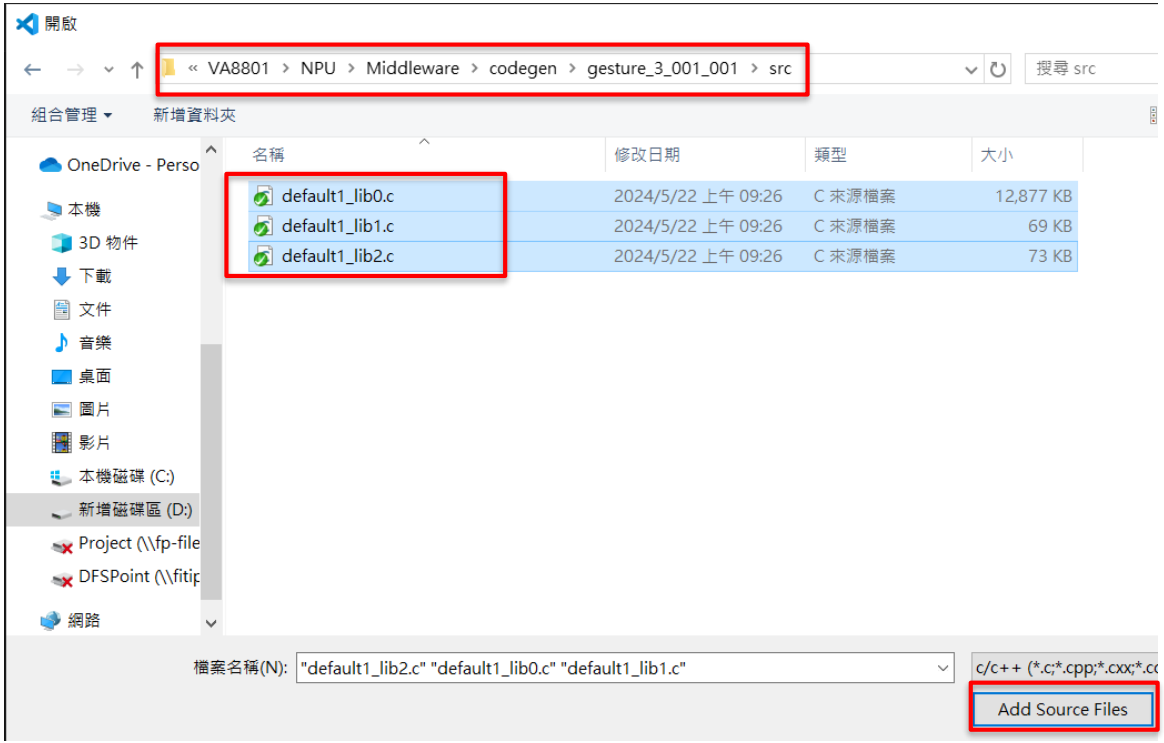

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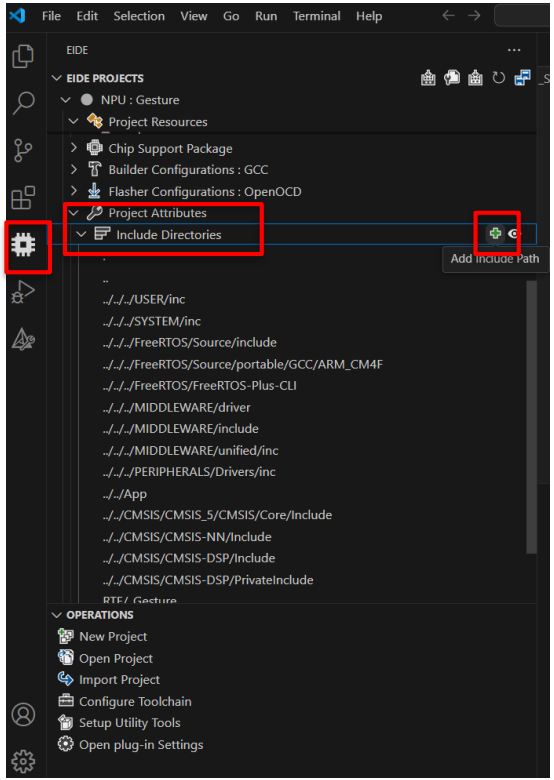

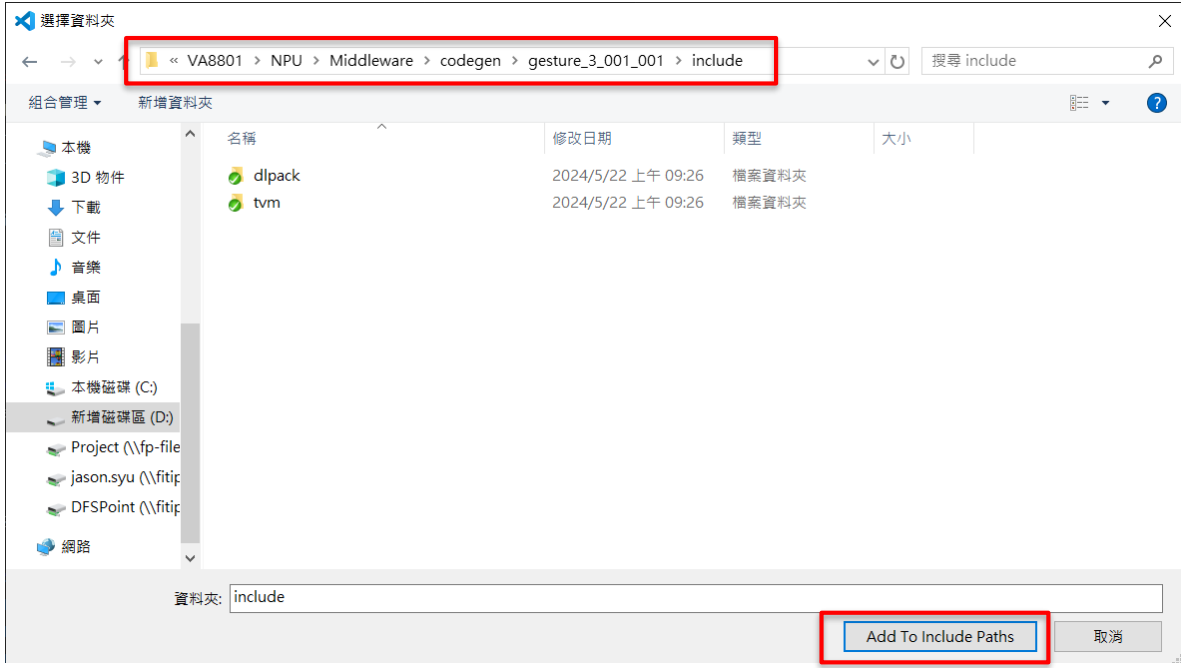

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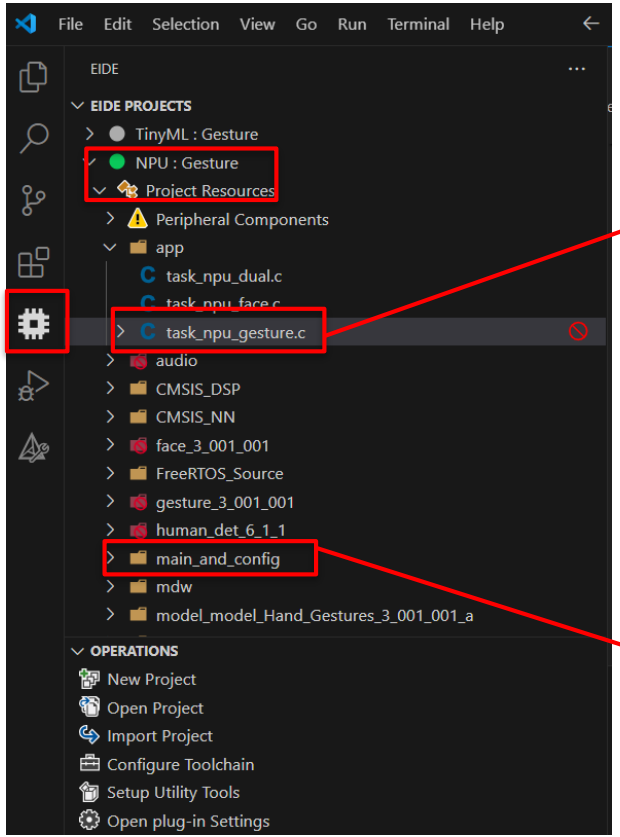


```
xT1 = xTaskGetTickCount();
pre_process(inputs.serving_default_input_1_0_int8);
xT2 = xTaskGetTickCount();
printf("[pre_process] - %d:ms\n\r", __func__, (int)(xT2-xT1));
```

```
xT1 = xTaskGetTickCount();
tvmgen_model_hand_gestures_3_001_001_dla1_run(&inputs, &outputs);
xT2 = xTaskGetTickCount();
printf("[tvmgen_model_hand_gestures_3_001_001_dla1_run] - %d:ms\n\r", __func__, (int)(xT2-xT1));
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xT1 = xTaskGetTickCount();
post_process(xIpc_Gesture_Hanle, res);
xT2 = xTaskGetTickCount();
printf("[post_process] - %d:ms\n\r", __func__, (int)(xT2-xT1));
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static void prvGestureTask( void *pvParameters )
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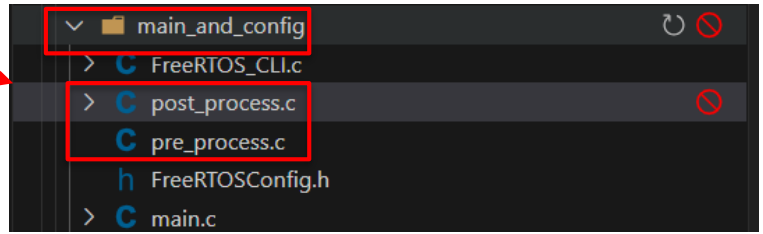

Here you can self-define pre/post process develop

TinyML Project Switch Target

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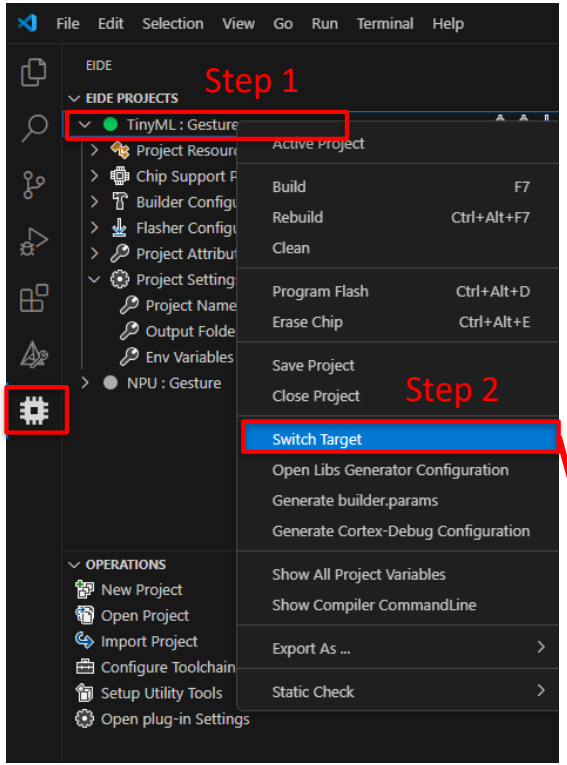
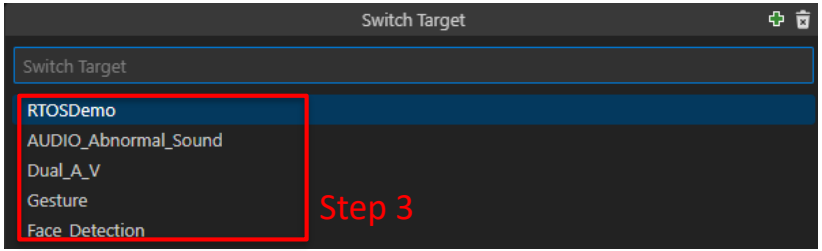
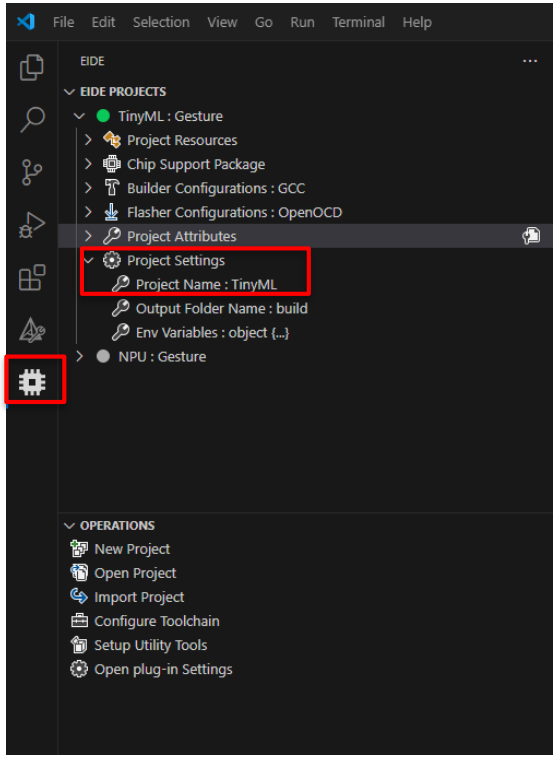


- **Target Description**
  - **Dual_A_V :** Abnormal sound + Human detection
  - **Gesture :** Gesture Detection
  - **Face_Detection:** face detection
- **Step 1**
  - Right click
- **Step 2**
  - Click Switch Target
- **Step3**
  - Choose Target (ex: choose Gesture)

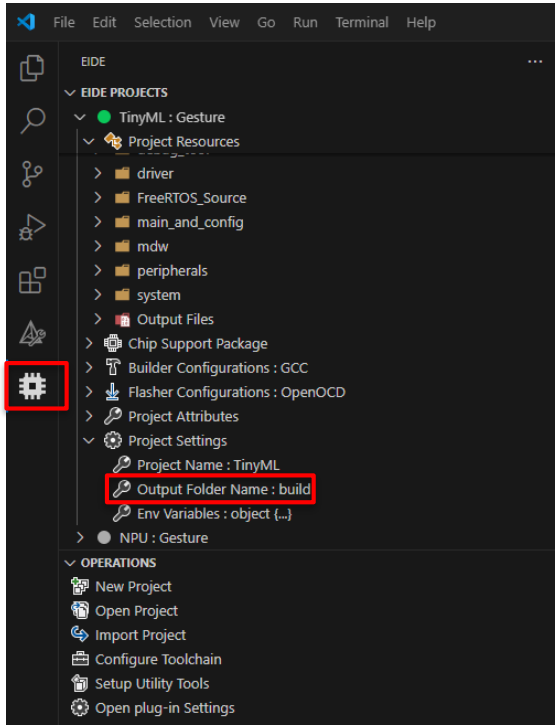


TinyML Project Switch Target – 2



- **Step4 – Project Settings**
  - Modify Project Name (as follow)
    - **Target Dual_A_V :** SYS_A_V
    - **Target Gesture:** SYS_Gesture
    - **Target Face detection:** SYS_Face_detection

TinyML Project – Output Binary path



- **Output binary path**
  - SDK root path\va8801_bsp\Fiti_M4F\PROJECT\TinyML\build
    - **Target Dual_A_V :** Dual_A_V\SYS_A_V.bin
    - **Target Gesture:** Gesture\SYS_Gesture.bin
    - **Target Face detection:** Face_Detection\SYS_Face_detection.bin

NPU Project Switch Target

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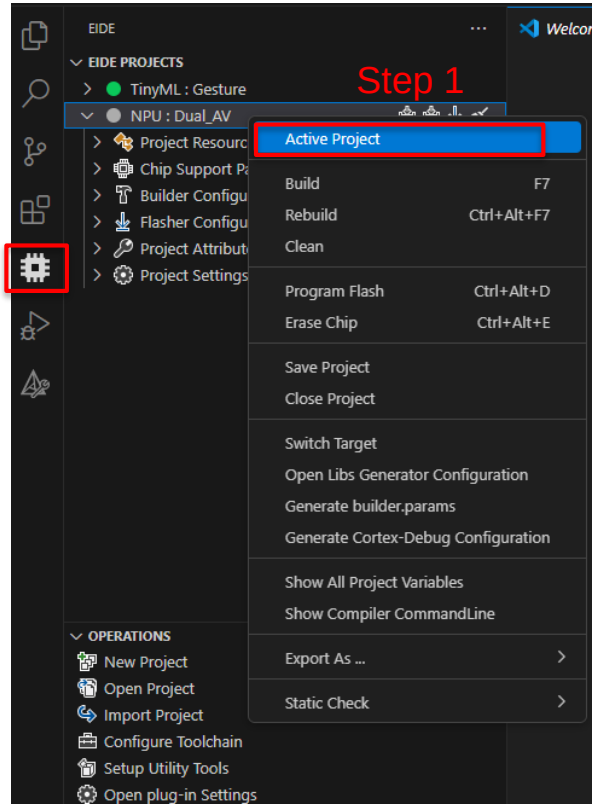
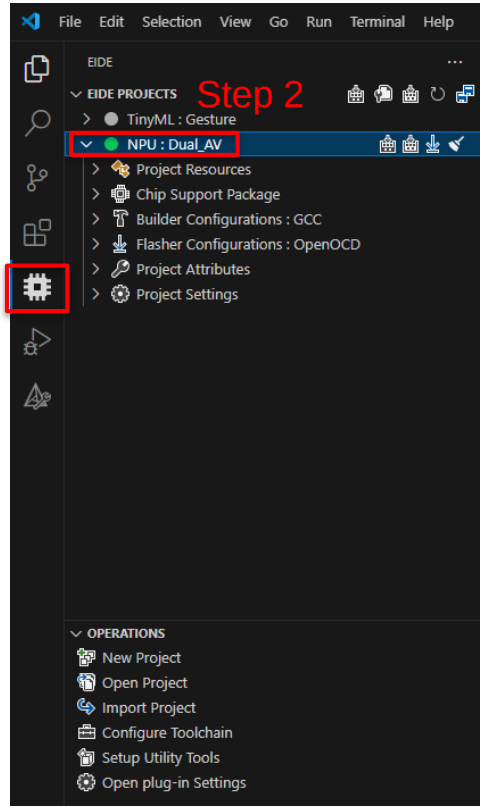
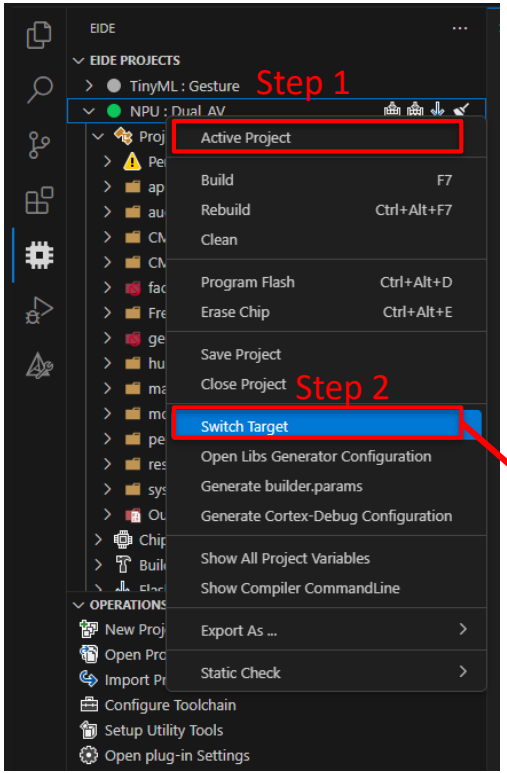




- **Step 1**
  - Right click, Choose Active Project
- **Step 2**
  - Check if the NPU project is active (indicated by a green light)

NPU Project Switch Target – 2



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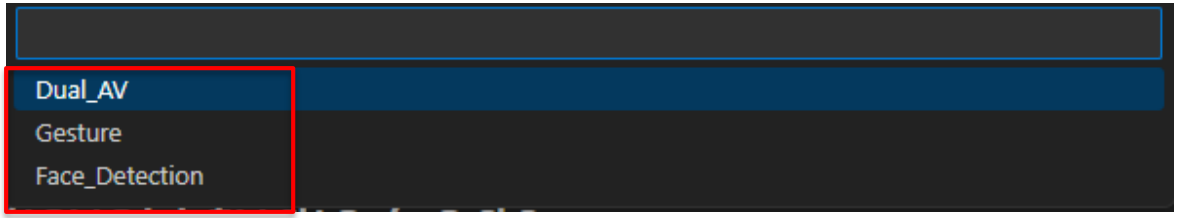

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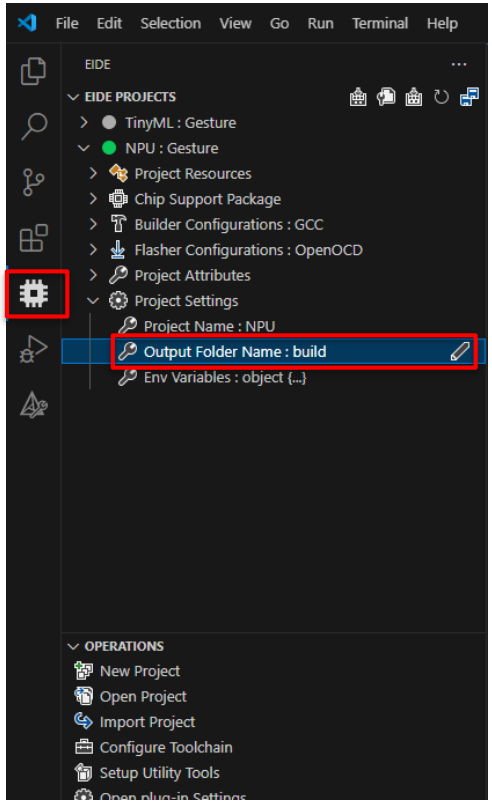


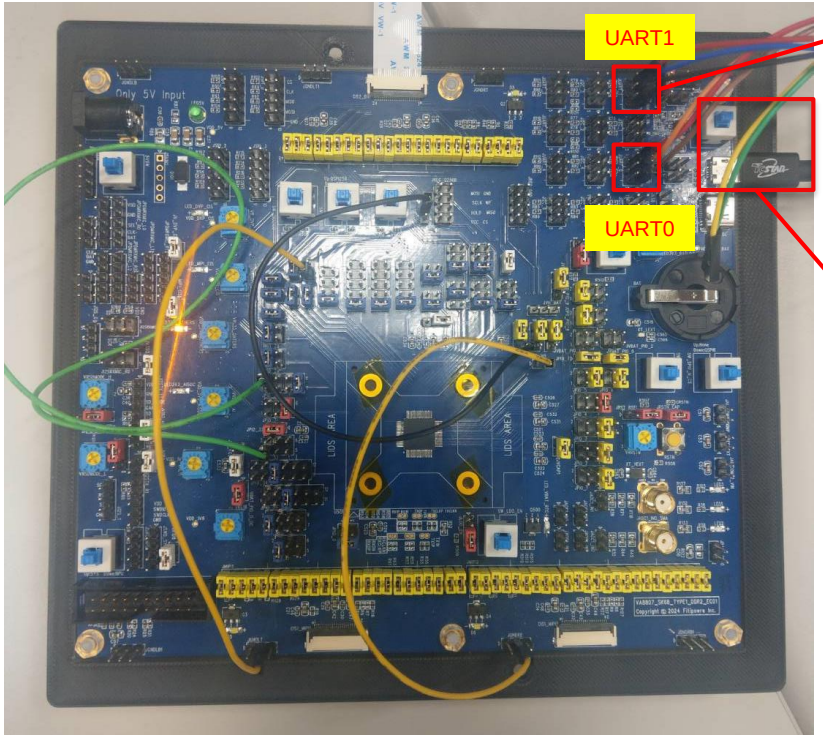
- **Output binary path**
  - SDK root path\va8801_bsp\VA8801\NPU\Project\NPU\build
    - **Target Dual_A_V :**
      - Dual_A_V\NPU_code.bin
      - Dual_A_V\NPU_data.bin
    - **Target Gesture**
      - Gesture\NPU_code.bin
      - Gesture\NPU_data.bin
    - **Target Face detection:**
      - Face_Detection\NPU_code.bin
      - Face_Detection\NPU_data.bin

Flash Download procedure and System run

Flash Download procedure and system run – 1

- Flash Download procedure
  - Reference SDK root path\VA8801_BSPSDK_V3.000.000_release\DFU Tool\ FITI_VA8801_DFU_ToolKit_v1.0.0_20240522_1430.pdf
- System run scenarios include Dual_A_V, Face Detection, and Gesture
  - **Dual_A_V:** TinyML & NPU Project Target needs to choose Dual_A_V
  - **Face Detection :** TinyML & NPU Project Target needs to choose Face Detection
  - **Gesture :** TinyML & NPU Project Target needs to choose Gesture
- Demo tool execute file
  - Reference SDK root path\VA8801_BSPSDK_V3.000.000_release\Demo Tool
  - Demo tool operation reference page 30

Flash Download procedure and system run – VA8801 HW Settings



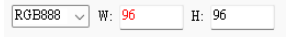
Pin from top to bottom:
UART_RX
UART_TX
UART_GND

FT232 connect to PC/NB
FT232_RX connect to UART_TX
FT232_TX connect to UART_RX
FT232_GND connect to UART_GND

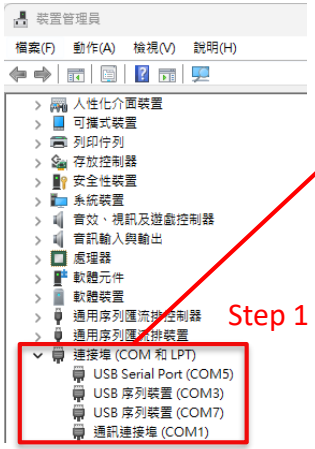
Micro USB connect to PC/NB
Push button to power on

Demo Tool Operation

- **Step1 – Tool connect to VA8801 via USB**
  - In device manager, find VA8801 USB COM port
  - Select baud rate 115200
  - Click connect
- **Step2 – Configure Tool options**
  - Tick User Def
    - Face Detection, Gesture - RGB888 W:320 H:320
    - A+V - Y8 W:96 H:96
    - Push enter after input W and H (red text will turn black)



  - Tick RB ch
  - Tick +128
  - Tick AI info
    - Enable AI info (bounding box)
- **Step3 – Display inference result**
  - Click Write



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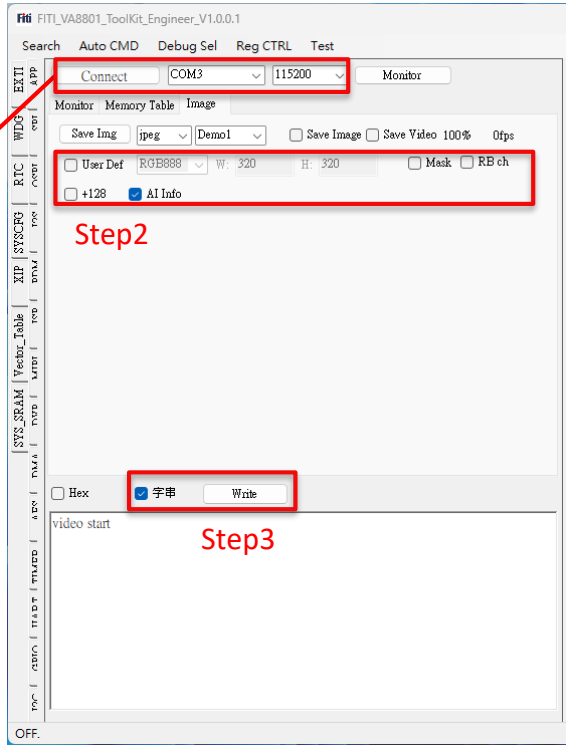
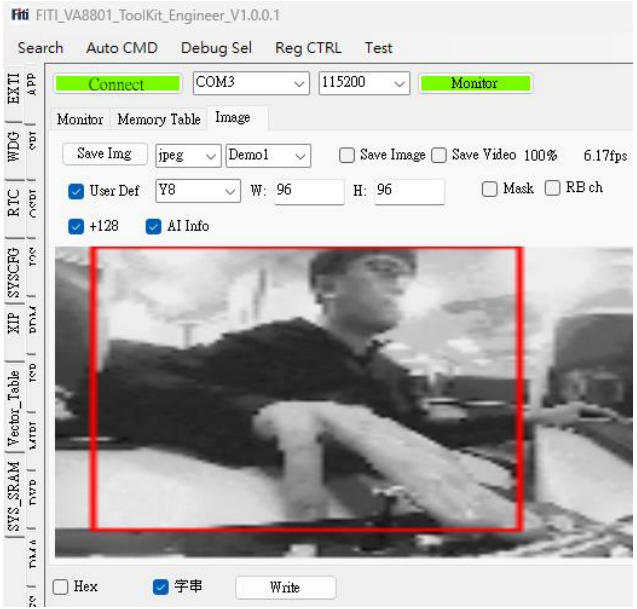


Flash Download procedure and system run – Scenario Dual_A_V



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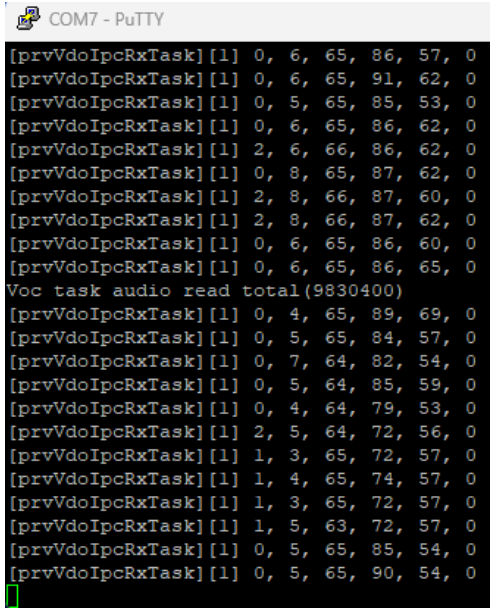
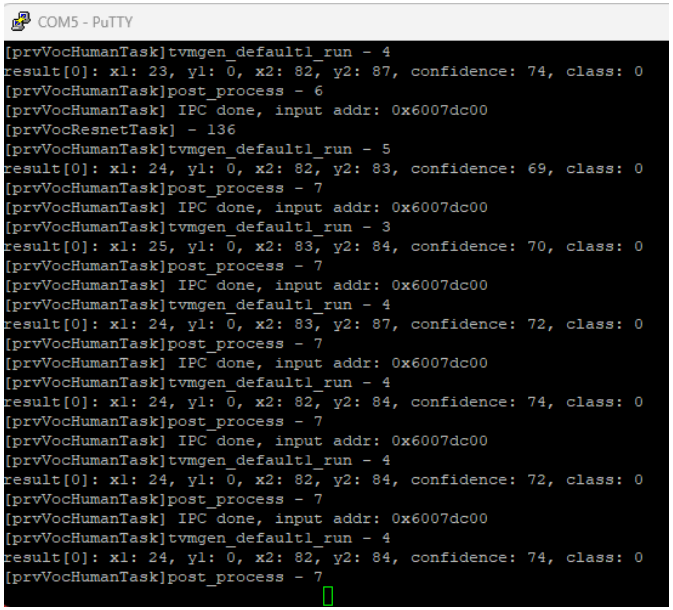
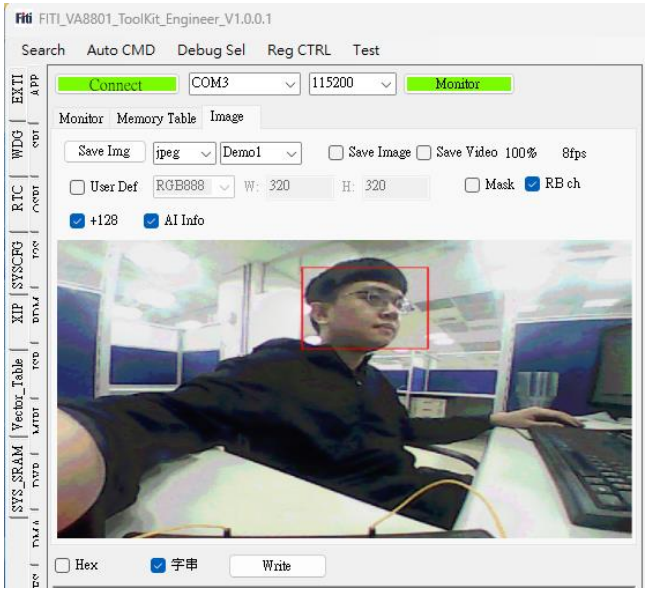


UART0 System log

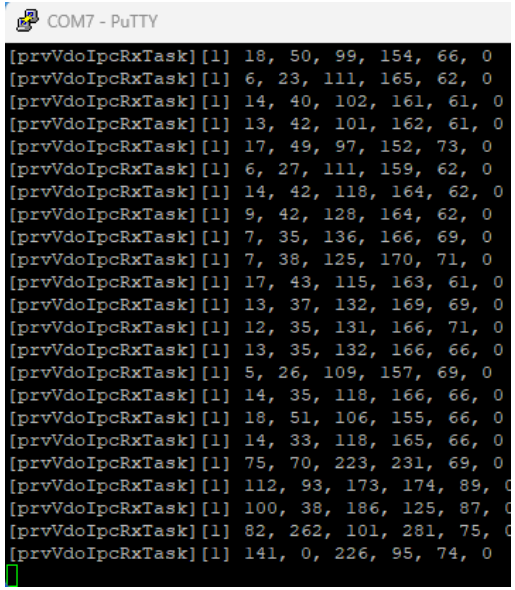


UART1 NPU log

Flash Download procedure and system run – Scenario Face Detection



Demo Tool – Face Detection



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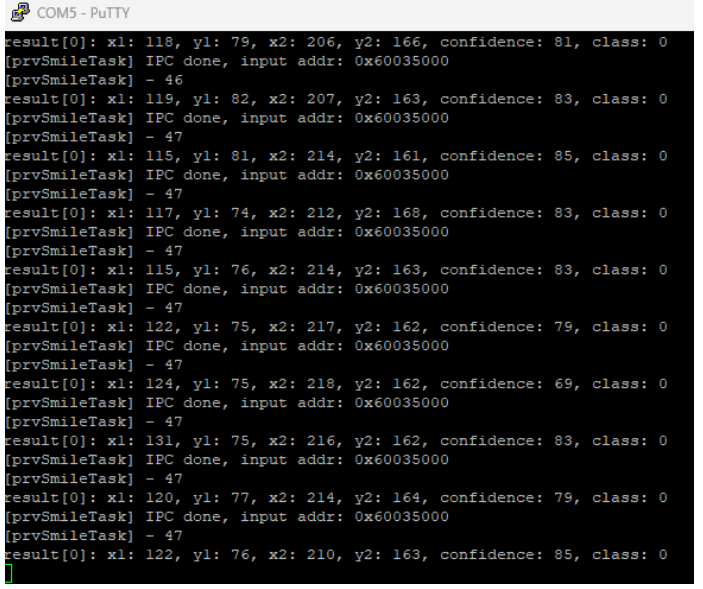

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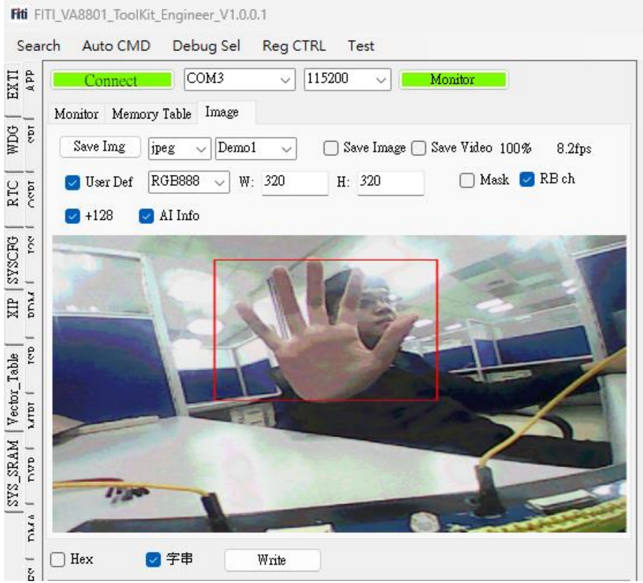
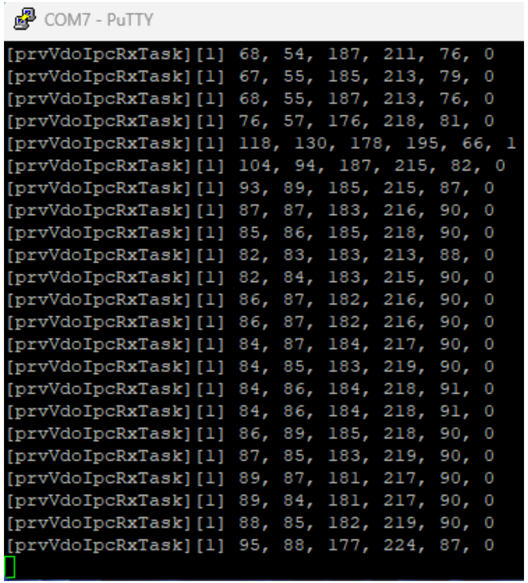
Flash Download procedure and system run – Scenario Gesture



Demo Tool – Gesture



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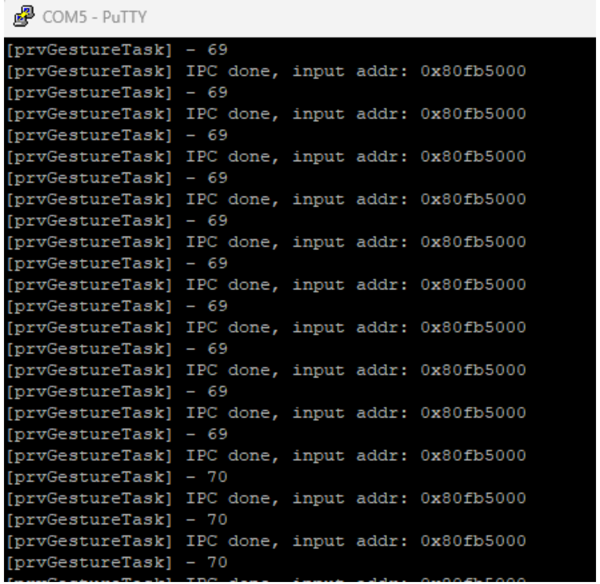

UART1 NPU log

REVISION HISTORY

Revision	Date	Author	Description
0.1	2024/02/26	Jason SYU	New issued
2.0	2024/05/24	Jason SYU	1. Add Build NPU Project guide 2. Add How to Obtain pre/post process and inference time in NPU Project 3. Add Flash Download procedure and system run

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