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1. Experimental Prerequisites

This tutorial uses the ESP32S3 development board, and the corresponding routine path is [14.export\ESP32-K230\15_k230_nano_tracker].

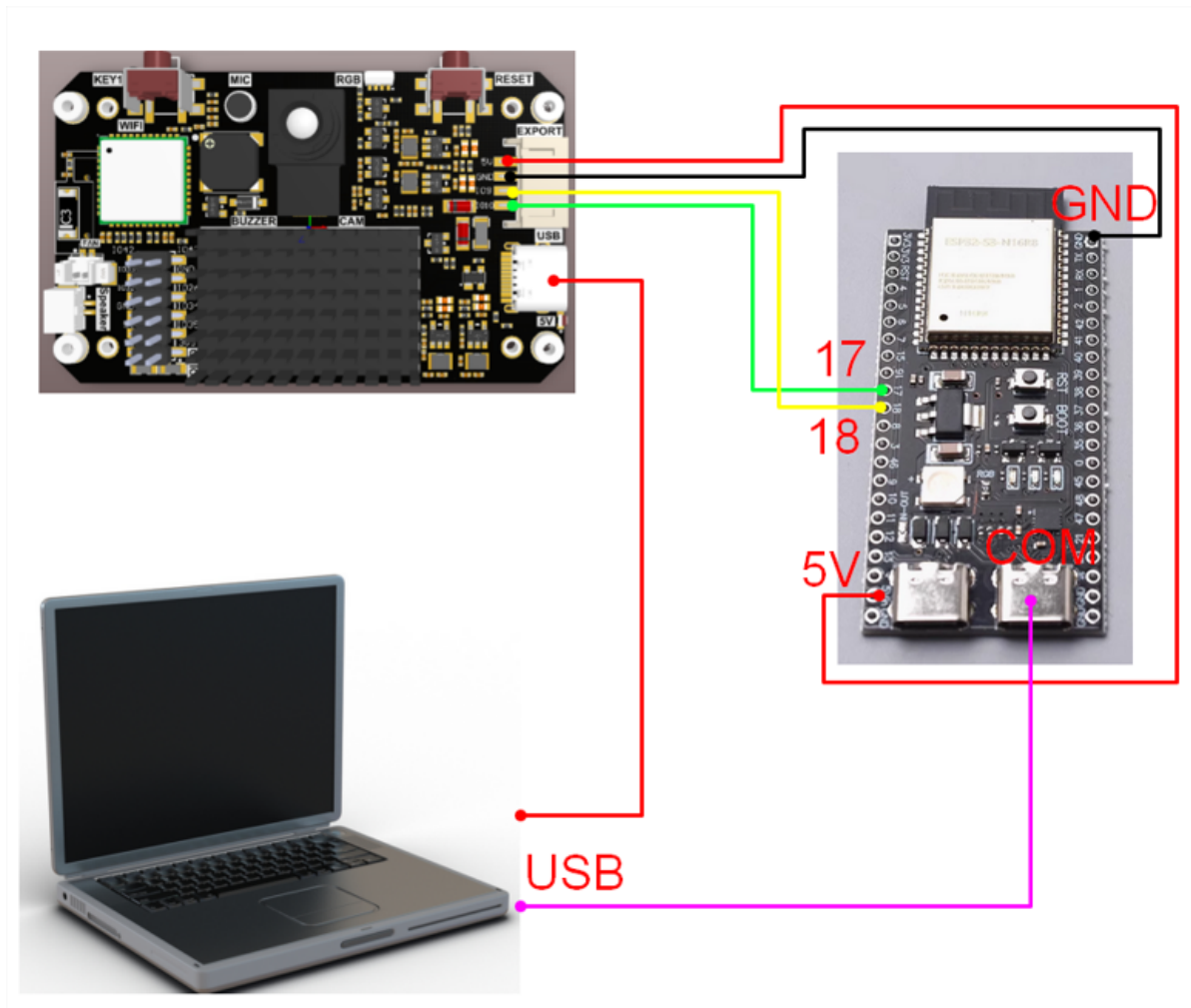
K230 needs to run the [14.export\CanmvIDE-K230\15.nano_tracker.py] program to start the experiment. It is recommended to download it as an offline program.

Things you need:

Windows computer, ESP32S3 development board, K230 visual module (including TF card with burned image), two type-C data cables, Connection cable

2. Experimental wiring

k230 vision module	ESP32S3 Development Board
5V	5V
GND	GND
TXD(IO9)	18
RXD(IO10)	17



3. Main code explanation

```
void Pto_Data_Parse(uint8_t *data_buf, uint8_t num)
{
    uint8_t pto_head = data_buf[0];
    uint8_t pto_tail = data_buf[num-1];
    if (!(pto_head == PTO_HEAD && pto_tail == PTO_TAIL))
    {
        printf("pto error:pto_head=0x%02x , pto_tail=0x%02x\n", pto_head,
pto_tail);
        return;
    }
    uint8_t data_index = 1;
    uint8_t field_index[PTO_BUF_LEN_MAX] = {0};
    int i = 0;
    int values[PTO_BUF_LEN_MAX] = {0};
    for (i = 1; i < num-1; i++)
    {
        if (data_buf[i] == ',')
        {
            data_buf[i] = 0;
            field_index[data_index] = i;
            data_index++;
        }
    }

    for (i = 0; i < data_index; i++)
    {
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        values[i] = Pto_Char_To_Int((char*)data_buf+field_index[i]+1);
    }

    uint8_t pto_len = values[0];

    if (pto_len != num)
    {
        printf("pto_len error:%d , data_len:%d\n", pto_len, num);
        return;
    }
    uint8_t pto_id = values[1];
    if (pto_id != PTO_FUNC_ID)
    {
        printf("pto_id error:%d, func_id:%d\n", pto_id, PTO_FUNC_ID);
        return;
    }
    int x = values[2];
    int y = values[3];
    int w = values[4];
    int h = values[5];
    printf("tracker:x:%d, y:%d, w:%d, h:%d\n", x, y, w, h);
}

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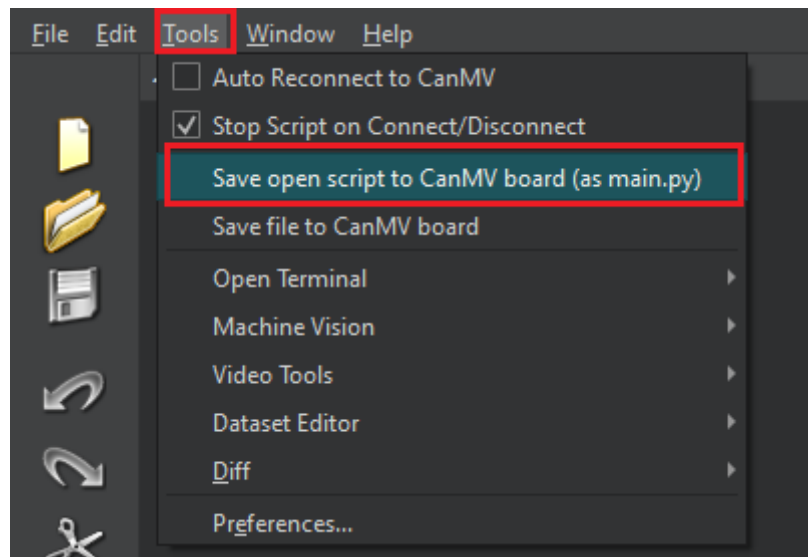
The above functions are for parsing K230 data. Only when they meet specific protocols can the corresponding data be parsed.

in

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- y: is the vertical coordinate of the upper left corner of the recognized box
- w: is the width of the recognized frame
- h: is the length of the recognized frame

4. Experimental Phenomenon

1. After connecting the cables, the k230 visual module runs offline. After K230 is connected to Canmv IDE, open the corresponding program, click [Save open script to CanMV board (as main.py)] on the toolbar, and then restart K230.

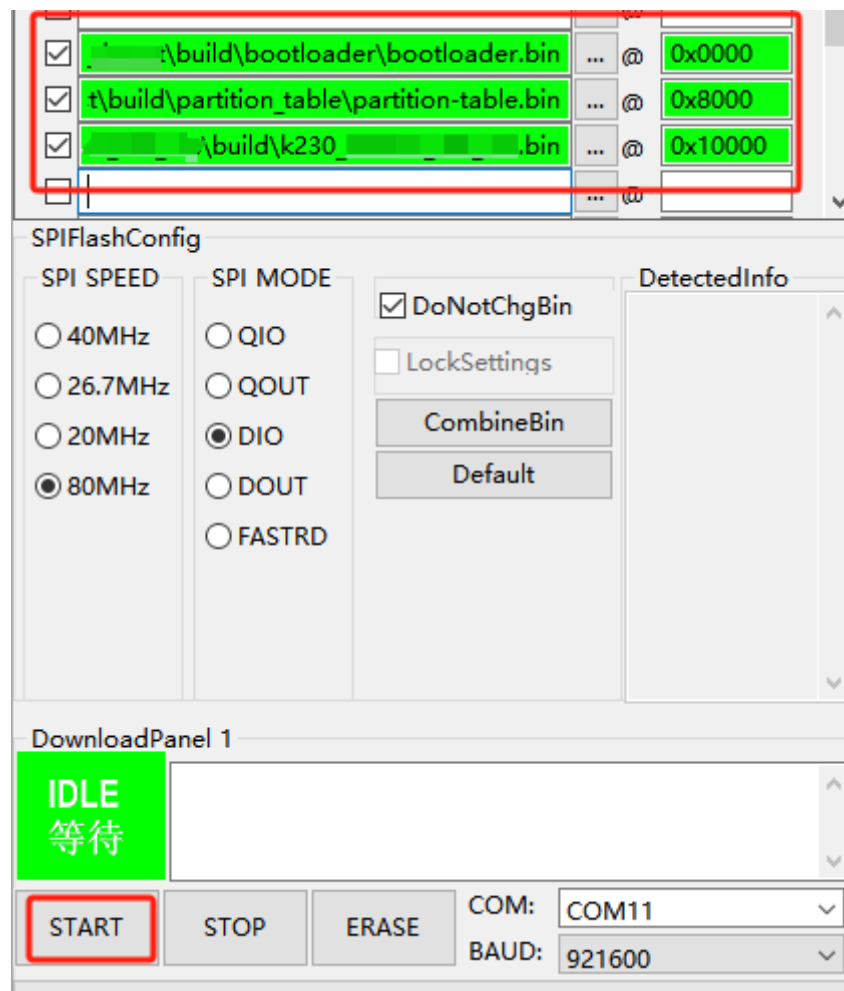


When K230 is turned on, a green box will appear on the screen. Please aim the green box at the target to be tracked (using ultrasound as an example here), wait for a few seconds, and when the green box turns red, it means the target has been detected. At this time, move the target object and you can see that the red box will move with it.

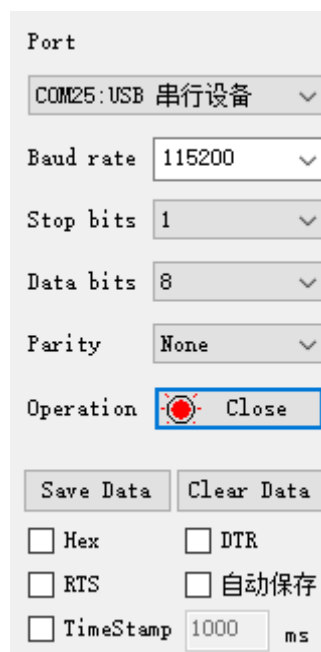


Note: Please do not move the object to be tracked quickly, otherwise it will not be tracked correctly.

2. The bin file generated by the ESP32S3 burning routine. Open the ESP32S3 burning tool, configure it according to the figure below, click the [START] button, and download the bin file to the ESP32S3 development board.



3. Set the serial port assistant to the interface shown in the figure and open the serial port of ESP32S3.



4. When the K230 camera recognizes the target object, the serial port assistant will print out the information transmitted from K230 to ESP32S3.

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As shown in the figure below

```
[2025-04-30 12:13:26.935]# RECV ASCII>  
tracker:x:231, y:161, w:34, h:81
```

```
[2025-04-30 12:13:26.983]# RECV ASCII>  
tracker:x:233, y:164, w:34, h:80
```

```
[2025-04-30 12:13:27.140]# RECV ASCII>  
tracker:x:234, y:168, w:34, h:80  
tracker:x:235, y:172, w:34, h:80  
tracker:x:237, y:174, w:34, h:80
```

```
[2025-04-30 12:13:27.299]# RECV ASCII>  
tracker:x:236, y:176, w:34, h:80  
tracker:x:236, y:179, w:34, h:80  
tracker:x:237, y:179, w:34, h:80
```

```
[2025-04-30 12:13:27.347]# RECV ASCII>  
tracker:x:239, y:180, w:34, h:78
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