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### 1. Experimental Prerequisites

This tutorial uses the PICO2 development board, and the corresponding routine path is [14.export\PICO-K230\07\_pico\_k230\_eye\_gaze.py].

K230 needs to run the [14.export\CanmvIDE-K230\07.eye\_gaze.py] program to start the experiment. It is recommended to download it as an offline program.

Things you need:

Windows computer

PICO2 development board

microUSB cable

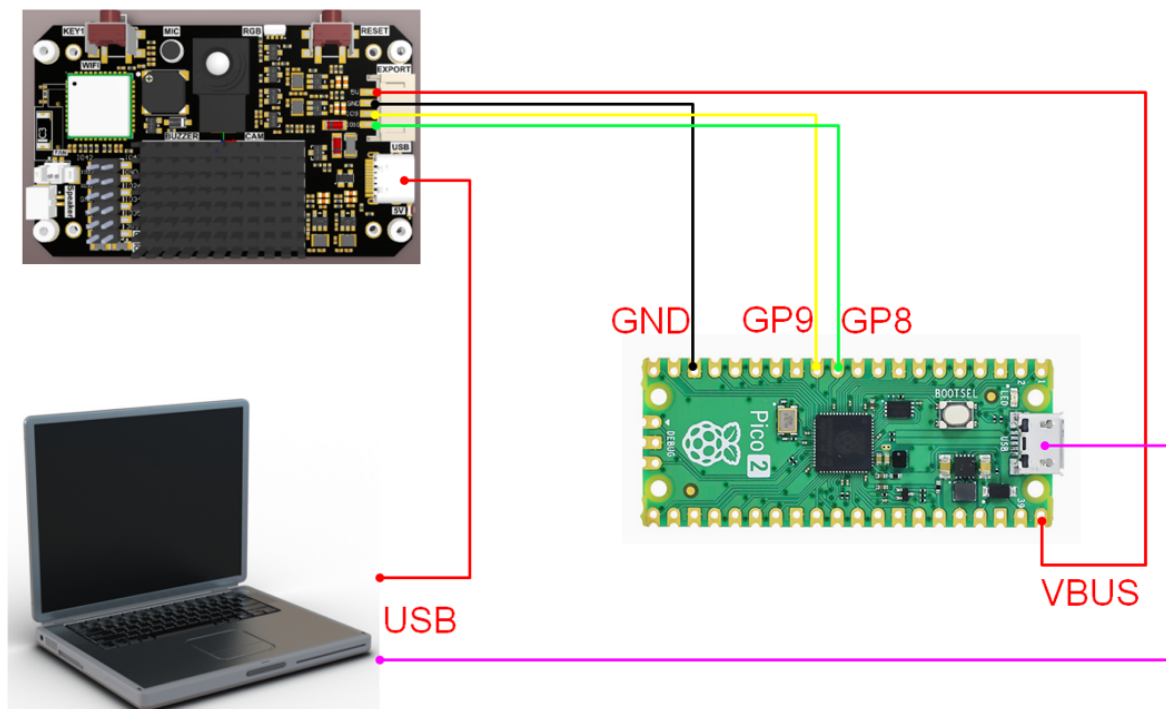
K230 visual module (including TF card with image burned in)

type-C cable

connection cable

### 2. Experimental wiring

k230 vision module	PICO2 Development Board
5V	VCC
GND	GND
TXD(IO9)	RXD(GP9)
RXD(IO10)	TXD(GP8)



### 3. Main code explanation

```
from machine import UART, Pin

FUNC_ID = 7

uart1 = UART(1, baudrate=115200, tx=Pin(8), rx=Pin(9), bits=8, parity=None,
stop=0)

print("hello yahboom")

def parse_data(data):
    if data[0] == ord('$') and data[len(data)-1] == ord('#'):
        data_list = data[1:len(data)-1].decode('utf-8').split(',')
        data_len = int(data_list[0])
        data_id = int(data_list[1])
        if data_len == len(data) and data_id == FUNC_ID:
            # print(data_list)
            x0 = int(data_list[2])
            y0 = int(data_list[3])
            x1 = int(data_list[4])
            y1 = int(data_list[5])
            return x0, y0, x1, y1
        elif (data_len != len(data)):
            print("data len error:", data_len, len(data))
        elif (data_id != FUNC_ID):
            print("func id error:", data_id, FUNC_ID)
    return -1, -1, -1, -1

last_data = bytearray()
while True:
    if uart1.any() > 0:
        cur_data = uart1.readline()
        # print("rx:", cur_data)
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if ord('\n') in cur_data:
    # data = bytearray(last_data + cur_data.decode('utf-8'), 'utf-8')
    data = last_data + cur_data
    last_data = bytearray()
    x0, y0, x1, y1 = parse_data(data.rstrip(b'\n'))
    print("eye:x0:%d, y0:%d, x1:%d, y1:%d" % (x0, y0, x1, y1))
else:
    last_data = last_data + cur_data

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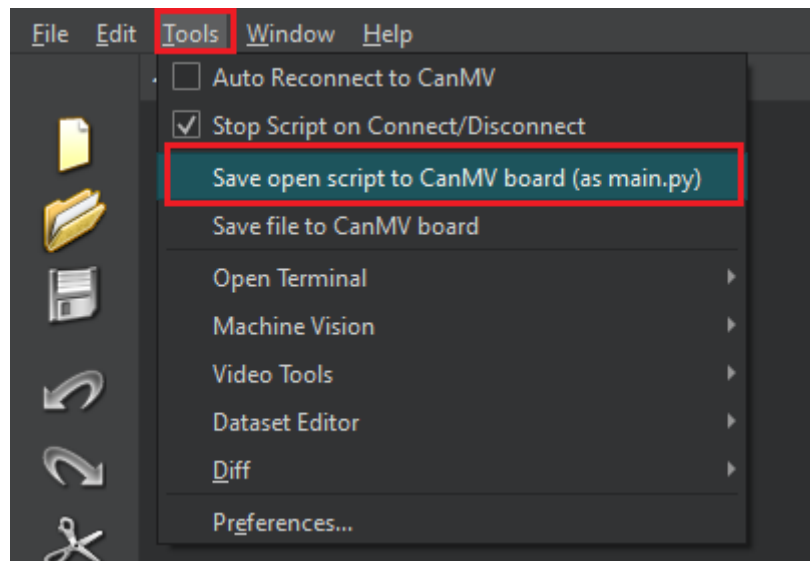
The above program is for parsing K230 data. Only when it complies with specific protocols can the corresponding data be parsed.

in

- x0: is the horizontal coordinate of the eye starting point
- y0: is the vertical coordinate of the eye starting point
- x1: is the horizontal coordinate of the gaze direction
- y1: is the vertical coordinate of the gaze direction

## 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.



2. Open the Thonny editor, connect the PICO2 mainboard, open the program file and run it.  
Note: The PICO2 mainboard needs to have the microPython firmware downloaded in advance.
3. When the K230 camera image recognizes a face, the terminal will parse and print out the information transmitted by the K230.

in

- x0: is the horizontal coordinate of the eye starting point
- y0: is the vertical coordinate of the eye starting point
- x1: is the horizontal coordinate of the gaze direction
- y1: is the vertical coordinate of the gaze direction

As shown in the figure below

```
eye:x0:297, y0:212, x1:465, y1:197

[2025-04-30 11:46:34.549]# RECV ASCII>
eye:x0:302, y0:213, x1:475, y1:228

[2025-04-30 11:46:34.914]# RECV ASCII>
eye:x0:307, y0:211, x1:454, y1:209

[2025-04-30 11:46:35.260]# RECV ASCII>
eye:x0:314, y0:211, x1:483, y1:199

[2025-04-30 11:46:35.610]# RECV ASCII>
eye:x0:323, y0:198, x1:466, y1:189

[2025-04-30 11:46:35.991]# RECV ASCII>
eye:x0:336, y0:280, x1:466, y1:266

[2025-04-30 11:46:36.358]# RECV ASCII>
eye:x0:316, y0:235, x1:493, y1:248
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