

# RV1103/RV1106 RKNN SDK Quick Start

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## Preface

## Overview

This article describes the development of RV1103B/RV1103 series/RV1106 series RKNN SDK Quick Start.

## Intended Audience

This document (this guide) is mainly intended for:

Technical support engineers

Software development engineers

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# 1 Introduction

This document provides a detailed introduction for beginners on how to quickly use RKNN-Toolkit2 on a computer to perform model conversion and deploy it to a Rockchip development board using RKNPU2. The examples used in this document are integrated into the RKNN Model Zoo.

Supported platforms: RV1103B, RV1103 series, RV1106 series.

## 2 Prepare Development Board

This chapter will explain how to connect the development board to a computer, divided into two parts:

- Introduction to Development Board and Connection Tools
- Connect the Development Board to the Computer

### 2.1 Introduction to Development Board and Connection Tools

#### 1. Development board

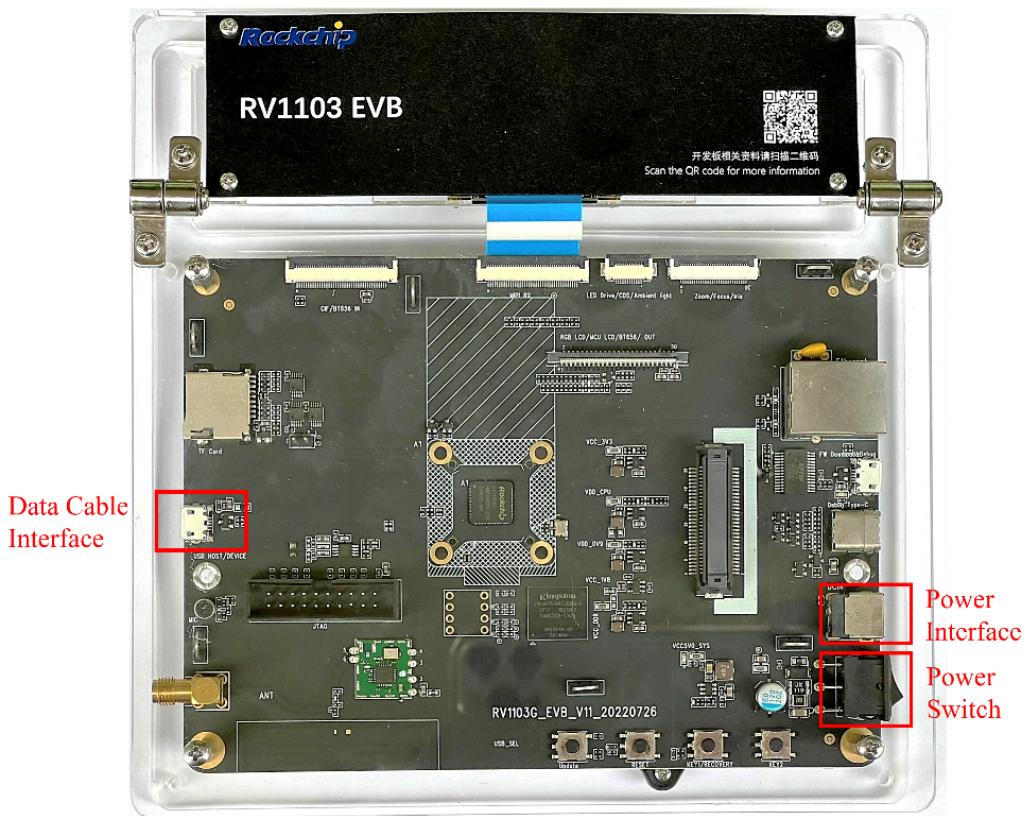


Figure 2-1 RV1103 development board

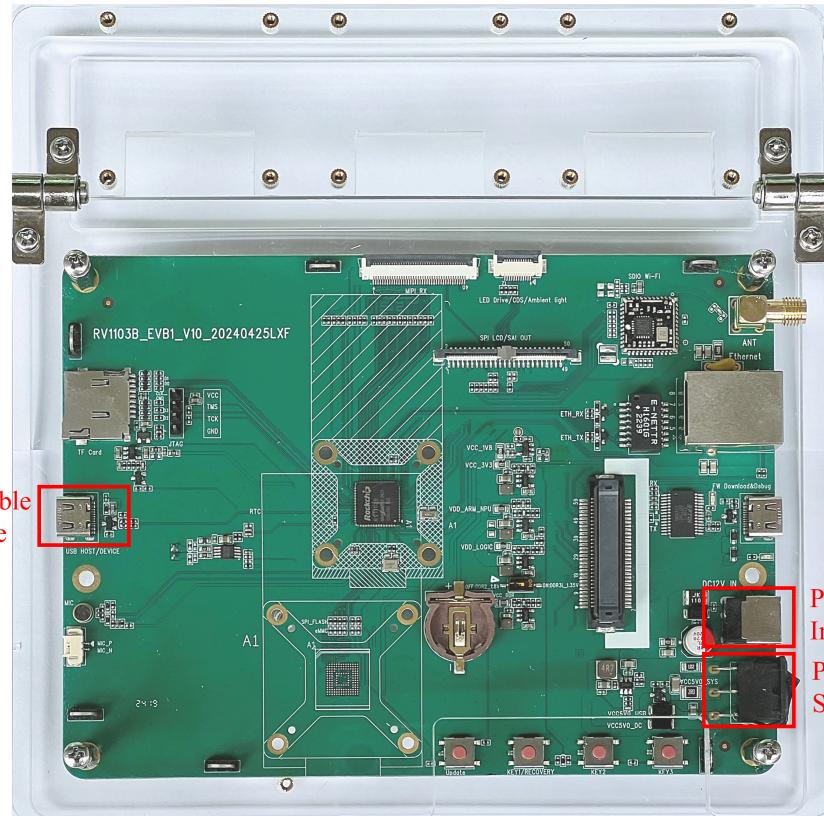


Figure 2-2 RV1103B development board

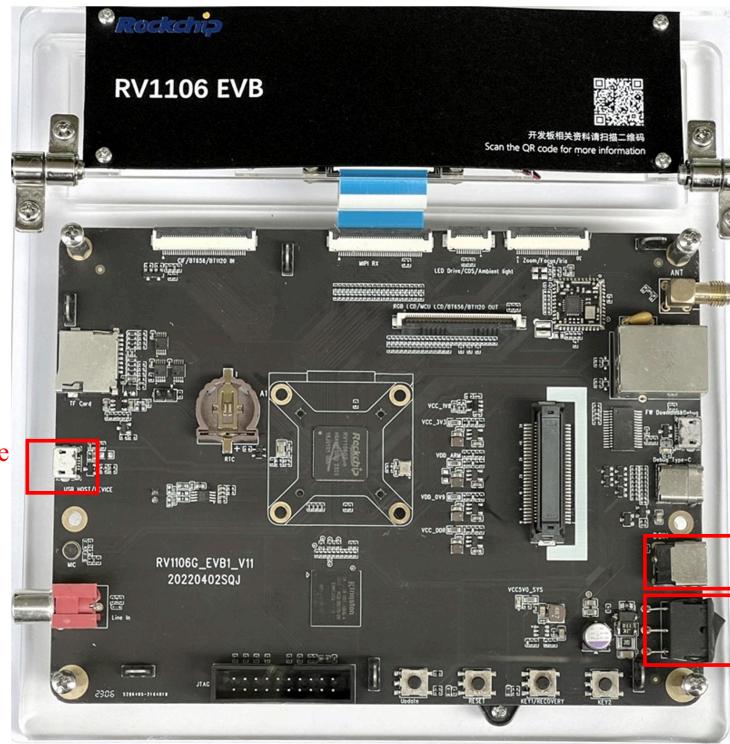


Figure 2-3 RV1106 development board

## 2. Data cable for connecting development board and computer



Figure 2-4 Micro USB data cable

3. Power adapter



Figure 2-5 Power adapter with 12V-2A output

## 2.2 Connect the Development Board to the Computer

Taking RV1106 as an example to illustrate how to connect the development board to the computer:

1. Prepare a computer with Ubuntu18.04 / Ubuntu20.04 / Ubuntu22.04 operating system.
2. Find the location of the power interface in the picture and connect the development board power adapter.
3. Use the data cable to connect the development board and computer. (Note that due to different production batches, the type and location of the data cable interface of the development board may change. Usually, the interface with the word OTG printed on it is the data cable interface.)

4. Turn on the power switch and wait for the development board system to start up.

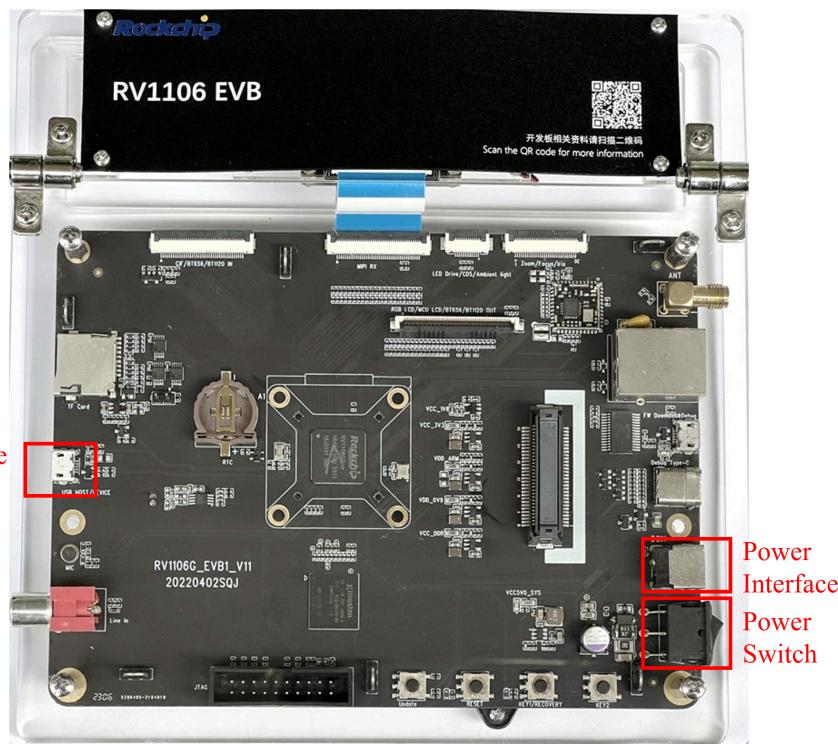


Figure 2-6 RV1106 development board

5. Check whether the development board is connected to the computer

In the terminal window (command line interface) of your computer, execute the following command:

```
# If adb has not been installed, please install it first using 'sudo apt install adb'  
adb devices
```

The output information of a successful connection is as follows, where 421ca310c9b9242b is the device ID of RV1106. If there is no device displayed, please refer to Chapter [6.1](#) for troubleshooting.

```
$ adb devices  
List of devices attached  
421ca310c9b9242b    device
```

## 3 Prepare Development Environment

This chapter introduces how to install the development environment directly on the computer. The subsequent sample program running process will also be explained using direct installation as an example. If you need to run the sample program in a Docker environment, you can refer to Chapter [5](#) to prepare the development environment.

This chapter is divided into four parts:

- Download RKNN Related Repositories
- Install the RKNN-Toolkit2 Environment on the Computer
- Install Compilation Tools on the Computer
- Install RKNPU2 Environment on the Board

## 3.1 Download RKNN Related Repositories

It is recommended to create a new directory to store the RKNN repositories. For example, create a folder named "Projects" and place the RKNN-Toolkit2 and RKNN Model Zoo repositories in that directory. Refer to the following commands:

```
# Create the 'Projects' folder
mkdir Projects

# Switch to this directory
cd Projects

# Download the RKNN-Toolkit2 repository
git clone https://github.com/airockchip/rknn-toolkit2.git --depth 1
# Download the RKNN Model Zoo repository
git clone https://github.com/airockchip/rknn_model_zoo.git --depth 1

# Notice:
# 1. Parameter --depth 1 means to clone only the latest commit
# 2. If the 'git clone' command fails, you can also download the compressed file directly from GitHub and unzip it locally
# in this directory.
```

Overall directory structure:

```
Projects
├── rknn-toolkit2
│   ├── doc
│   ├── rknn-toolkit2
│   │   ├── packages
│   │   ├── docker
│   │   └── ...
│   ├── rknnpu2
│   │   ├── runtime
│   │   └── ...
│   └── ...
└── rknn_model_zoo
    ├── datasets
    ├── examples
    └── ...
```

## 3.2 Install the RKNN-Toolkit2 Environment on the Computer

### 3.2.1 Install Python

If the Python 3.8 environment is not installed on your system, or if there are multiple versions of Python installed, it is recommended to use Miniforge to create a new Python 3.8 environment.

#### 3.2.1.1 Install Miniforge

In the terminal window on the computer, execute the following command to check whether Miniforge is installed. If already installed, you can skip this step.

```
conda -V
# Reference output: conda 23.9.0, indicating that Miniforge Conda version is 23.9.0
# If it shows 'conda: command not found', it means Miniforge is not installed.
```

If Miniforge is not installed, you can download the Miniforge installer from the following link:

```
wget -c https://github.com/conda-forge/miniforge/releases/latest/download/Miniforge3-Linux-x86_64.sh
```

Then, install Miniforge using the following command:

```
chmod 777 Miniforge3-Linux-x86_64.sh
bash Miniforge3-Linux-x86_64.sh
```

### 3.2.1.2 Create Python Environment Using Miniforge

In the terminal window on the computer, execute the following command to switch to the Miniforge base environment:

```
source ~/miniforge3/bin/activate
# Upon successful activation, the command prompt will change to the following form:
# (base) xxx@xxx:~$
```

Create a Python 3.8 environment named 'toolkit2' using the following command:

```
conda create -n toolkit2 python=3.8
```

Activate the 'toolkit2' environment. Subsequently, RKNN-Toolkit2 will be installed in this environment.

```
conda activate toolkit2
# Upon successful activation, the command prompt will change to the following form:
# (toolkit2) xxx@xxx:~$
```

### 3.2.2 Install Dependencies and RKNN-Toolkit2

After activating the 'toolkit2' environment, switch to the rknn-toolkit2 directory, install the required libraries based on requirements\_cpxx.txt, and install RKNN-Toolkit2 using the wheel package. Refer to the following commands:

```
# Switch to the rknn-toolkit2 directory
cd Projects/rknn-toolkit2/rknn-toolkit2

# Choose the appropriate requirements file based on your Python version
# For example, for Python 3.8, use requirements_cp38.txt
pip install -r packages/requirements_cpxx.txt

# Install RKNN-Toolkit2
# Choose the appropriate wheel package based on your Python version and processor architecture:
# Where x.x.x is the version number of RKNN-Toolkit2, xxxxxxxx is the submission number, and cpxx is the python
# version number. Please replace with the actual values accordingly.
pip install packages/rknn_toolkit2-x.x.x+xxxxxxxxx-cpxx-cpxx-linux_x86_64.whl
```

### 3.2.3 Check if the RKNN-Toolkit2 Environment is Installed Successfully

Execute the following command. if no errors are reported, it indicates that the RKNN-Toolkit2 environment has been successfully installed.

```
# Switch to Python interactive mode
python
```

```
# Import the RKNN class
from rknn.api import RKNN
```

If the installation fails, please refer to Chapter 10.2 'RKNN-Toolkit2 Installation Issue' in the 'Rockchip\_RKNPU\_User\_Guide\_RKNN\_SDK\_EN.pdf' document. It provides detailed solutions for resolving RKNN-Toolkit2 environment installation failures.

## 3.3 Install Compilation Tools on the Computer

### 3.3.1 Install CMake

In the computer terminal, execute the following command:

```
# Update package list
sudo apt update
```

```
# Install cmake
sudo apt install cmake
```

### 3.3.2 Install Compiler

#### 3.3.2.1 Confirm the System Architecture of the Development Board

You can execute the following command on the computer to query the system architecture:

```
adb shell uname -a
```

The reference output information for this command is as follows, where "armv7l" indicates the ARMv7 architecture and belongs to armhf architecture (this architecture type will be used when compiling the RKNN C Demo)

```
$ adb shell uname -a
Linux Rockchip 5.10.160 #1 Tue Oct 24 18:52:11 CST 2023 armv7l GNU/Linux
```

#### 3.3.2.2 Install GCC Cross-Compiler

- GCC download link: <https://console.zbox.filez.com/l/H1fV9a> (Extraction code: rknn)
- Extract the software package

It is recommended to extract the GCC software package to the Projects folder. The storage location is as follows:

```

Projects
└── rknn-toolkit2
    ├── rknn_model_zoo
    └── arm-rockchip830-linux-uclibcgnueabihf # This path will be used when compiling the RKNN C Demo

```

At this point, the path to the GCC compiler is Projects/arm-rockchip830-linux-uclibcgnueabihf/bin/arm-rockchip830-linux-uclibcgnueabihf.

## 3.4 Install RKNPU2 Environment on the Board

For convenience, the remainder of this document uses "board" to refer to the development board.

### 3.4.1 Confirm the RKNPU2 Driver Version

You can execute the following command on the board to query the RKNPU2 driver version:

```
dmesg | grep -i rknnu
```

As shown in the following figure, the current RKNPU2 driver version is 0.8.5.

```
# dmesg | grep -i rknnu
[ 4.431371] RKNPU ff660000.npu: RKNPU: rknnu iommu device-tree entry not found!, using non-iommu mode
[ 4.432210] RKNPU ff660000.npu: RKNPU: Initialized RKNPU driver: v0.8.5 for 20230202
[ 4.432314] RKNPU ff660000.npu: dev_pm_opp_set_regulators: no regulator (rknnu) found: -19
```

Figure 3-1 RKNPU2 driver version information

The official firmware of Rockchip development boards all installs the RKNPU2 driver. If the above command cannot query the NPU driver version, you may be using third-party firmware, which may not have the NPU driver installed. If you have the firmware source code, you can change the value of the CONFIG\_ROCKCHIP\_RKNPU option in the kernel config to 'y' to integrate the NPU driver, then recompile the kernel driver and flash it. It is recommended that RKNPU2 driver version  $\geq 0.9.2$ .

### 3.4.2 Check if the RKNPU2 Environment is Installed

The on-board debugging feature of RKNN-Toolkit2 requires the installation of the RKNPU2 environment on the board and the initiation of the rknn\_server service. Here are two basic concepts in the RKNPU2 environment:

- RKNN Server: A background proxy service running on the development board. The main function of this service is to call the interface corresponding to the board Runtime to process the data transmitted by the computer through USB, and return the processing results to the computer.
- RKNPU2 Runtime library (librknnmr.so): The main responsibility is to load the RKNN model in the system and perform inference operations of the RKNN model by calling a dedicated neural processing unit (NPU).

If the board does not have RKNN Server and Runtime libraries installed, or if the versions of RKNN Server and Runtime libraries are not consistent, you need to reinstall the RKNPU2 environment. (Note: 1. If using RKNN models with dynamic input dimensions, it requires RKNN Server and Runtime library versions  $\geq 1.5.0$ . 2. Ensure that the versions of RKNN Server, Runtime libraries, and RKNN-Toolkit2 are consistent. It is recommended to install the latest versions.)

In most cases, the development board is already equipped with a consistent version of the RKNPU2 environment by default. You can confirm this with the following command. (If the RKNPU2 environment is not installed or the versions are inconsistent, please follow the steps in the next section to install/update the RKNPU2 environment):

## 1. Check if the RKNPU2 environment is installed

If you can start the rknn\_server service, it means that the RKNPU2 environment is already installed on the board.

```
# Switch to the board
adb shell

# Start rknn_server
restart_rknn.sh
```

If the following output is displayed, it means that the rknn\_server service has been successfully started, indicating that the RKNPU2 environment is installed:

```
start rknn server, version: x.x.x
```

## 2. Check if the versions are consistent

```
# Query rknn_server version
strings /oem/usr/bin/rknn_server | grep -i "rknn_server version"

# Query librknnmrt.so library version
strings /oem/usr/lib/librknnmrt.so | grep -i "librknnmrt version"
```

If the following output is displayed, it means that the rknn\_server version is x.x.x, and the version of librknnmrt.so is x.x.x.

```
rknn_server version: x.x.x
librknnmrt version: x.x.x
```

## 3.4.3 Install/Update the RKNPU2 Environment

Note: If you have already installed a version-consistent RKNPU2 environment, you can skip this section.

Switch to the rknpn2 directory, use the adb tool to push the corresponding rknn\_server and librknnmrt.so to the board, then start rknn\_server. Refer to the following commands:

```
# Switch to the rknpn2 directory
cd Projects/rknn-toolkit2/rknpn2

# Push rknn_server to the board
adb push runtime/Linux/rknn_server/armhf-uclibc/usr/bin/* /oem/usr/bin

# Push librknnmrt.so
adb push runtime/Linux/librknn_api/armhf-uclibc/librknnmrt.so /oem/usr/lib

# Switch to the board's shell
adb shell

# Grant executable permissions
chmod +x /oem/usr/bin/rknn_server
chmod +x /oem/usr/bin/start_rknn.sh
chmod +x /oem/usr/bin/restart_rknn.sh
```

```
# Restart the rknn_server service  
restart_rknn.sh
```

## 4 Run Example Programs

This chapter will introduce how to quickly run example programs on the development board. It is divided into three parts:

- Introduction to RKNN Model Zoo
- How to Run RKNN Python Demo
- How to Run RKNN C Demo

### 4.1 Introduction to RKNN Model Zoo

The RKNN Model Zoo provides example code designed to help users quickly run various common models on Rockchip's development board. The directory structure of the project is as follows:

```
rknn_model_zoo  
├── 3rdparty # Third-party libraries  
├── datasets # Datasets  
├── examples # Example code  
├── utils # Commonly used methods  
├── build-android.sh # Compilation script for Android system board  
├── build-linux.sh # Compilation script for Linux system board  
└── ...
```

In the examples directory, there are some common model examples, such as MobileNet and YOLO, etc. Each model example provides both Python and C/C++ versions of the sample code (for convenience, we'll refer to them as RKNN Python Demo and RKNN C Demo). Taking the YOLOv5 model as an example, its directory structure is as follows:

```
rknn_model_zoo  
├── examples  
│   └── yolov5  
│       ├── cpp # C/C++ version of the sample code  
│       ├── model # Models, test images, and other files  
│       ├── python # Python version of the sample code  
│       └── README.md  
└── ...
```

### 4.2 How to Run RKNN Python Demo

Here we take the RV1106 platform as an example to introduce how to use YOLOv5 RKNN Python Demo.

Note: Different RKNN Python Demos may have differences in usage. Please follow the steps in the README.md file in each respective directory.

## 4.2.1 Prepare Model

Switch to the rknn\_model\_zoo/examples/yolov5/model directory, and execute the download\_model.sh script. This script will download an available YOLOv5 ONNX model and store it in the current model directory. Refer to the following commands:

```
# Switch to the rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/model directory
cd Projects/rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/model

# Run the download_model.sh script to download the yolov5 ONNX model
# For example, the downloaded ONNX model is stored at model/yolov5s_relu.onnx
./download_model.sh
```

## 4.2.2 Model Conversion

Switch to the rknn\_model\_zoo/examples/yolov5/python directory and run the convert.py script. This script converts the original ONNX model to the RKNN model. Refer to the following commands:

```
# Switch to the rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/python directory
cd Projects/rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/python

# Run the convert.py script to convert the original ONNX model to RKNN model
# Usage: python convert.py model_path [rv1103|rv1103b|rv1106] [i8/fp] [output_path]
python convert.py ./model/yolov5s_relu.onnx rv1106 i8 ./model/yolov5s_relu.rknn
# Note: Models generated by rv1103 and rv1103b cannot be shared
```

## 4.2.3 Run RKNN Python Demo

Switch to the rknn\_model\_zoo/examples/yolov5/python directory, execute the yolov5.py script, and you can run the YOLOv5 model on the development board using on-board debugging. Refer to the following command:

```
# Switch to the rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/python directory
cd Projects/rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/python

# Run the yolov5.py script to run the yolov5 model on the board
# Usage: python yolov5.py --model_path {rknn_model} --target {target_platform} --img_show
# If you include the --img_show parameter, it will display the result image
# Note: Here, we use RV1106 as an example platform. If using a different board, modify the platform type in the
# command accordingly.
python yolov5.py --model_path ./model/yolov5s_relu.rknn --target rv1106 --img_show

# If you want to run the original onnx model on the computer first, you can refer to the following command
# Usage: python yolov5.py --model_path {onnx_model} --img_show
python yolov5.py --model_path ./model/yolov5s_relu.onnx --img_show
```

The default input image is 'model/bus.jpg' and the output image is as shown below:

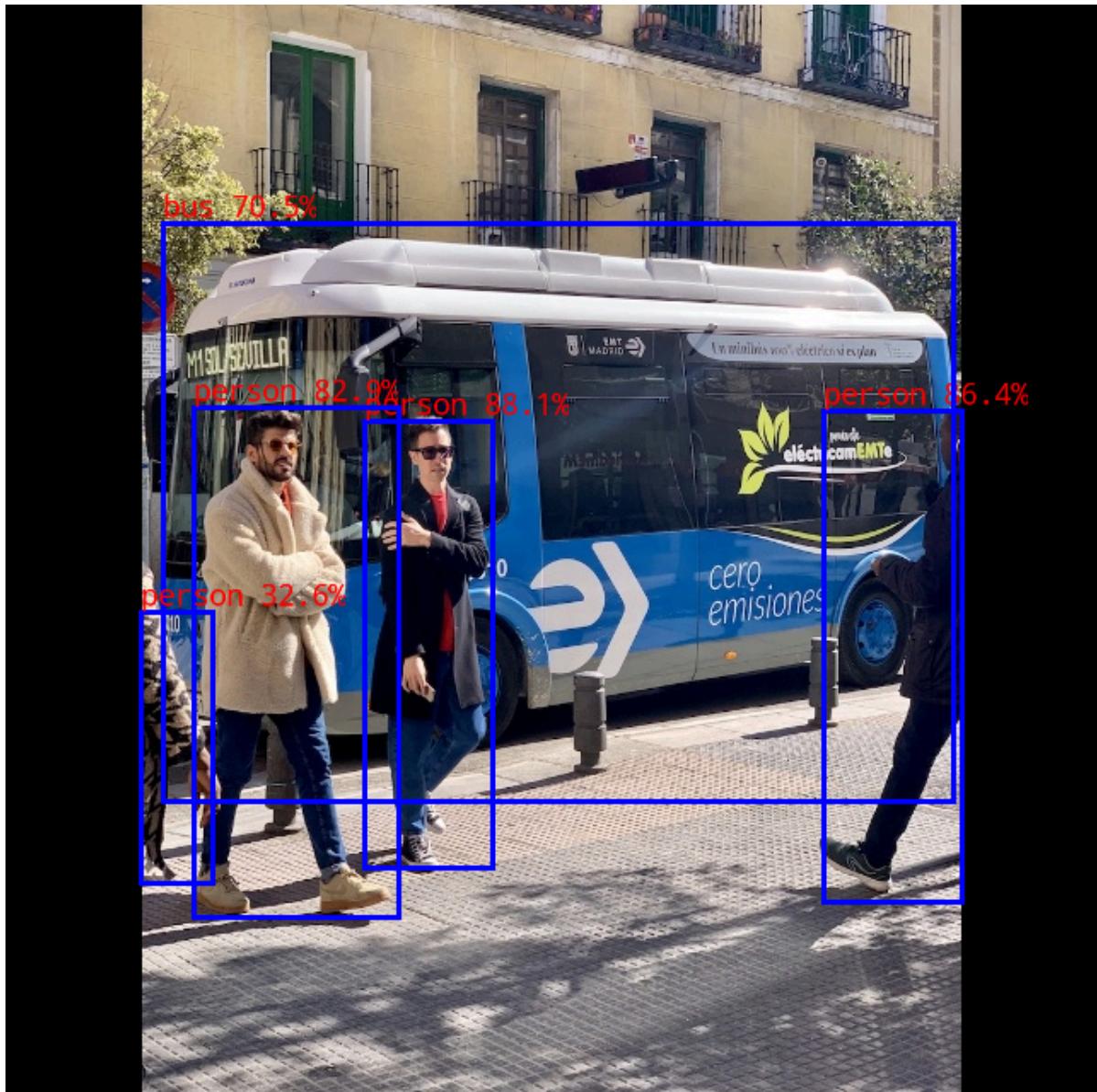


Figure 4-1 Output image of RKNN Python demo

#### 4.2.4 Accuracy Evaluation (Optional)

The rknn\_model\_zoo/datasets directory stores data sets for accuracy evaluation. You need to download the evaluation data set first and save it to this directory. For example, for the YOLOv5 model, the COCO data set needs to be downloaded. Enter the rknn\_model\_zoo/datasets/COCO directory and run the download\_eval\_dataset.py script. This script will download the val2017 data set and store it in the current COCO directory. The reference command is as follows:

```
# Switch to the rknn_model_zoo/datasets/COCO directory
cd Projects/rknn_model_zoo/datasets/COCO

# Run the download_eval_dataset.py script to download the COCO dataset
python download_eval_dataset.py
```

When performing accuracy evaluation, you need to specify the --coco\_map\_test parameter and the data set path --img\_folder. The reference command is as follows:

```

# Please install pycocotools first
pip install pycocotools

# Switch to the rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/python directory
cd Projects/rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/python

# Run the yolov5.py script
python yolov5.py \
    --model_path ./model/yolov5s_relu.rknn \
    --target rv1106 \
    --img_folder ../../datasets/COCO/val2017 \
    --coco_map_test

```

## 4.3 How to Run RKNN C Demo

Here we take the RV1106 platform as an example to introduce how to use YOLOv5 RKNN C Demo.

Note: There may be differences in the usage of different RKNN C Demos. Please follow the steps outlined in the README.md file in their respective directories for execution.

### 4.3.1 Prepare Model

Switch to the rknn\_model\_zoo/examples/yolov5/model directory, and execute the download\_model.sh script. This script will download an available YOLOv5 ONNX model and store it in the current model directory. Refer to the following commands:

```

# Switch to the rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/model directory
cd Projects/rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/model

# Run the download_model.sh script to download the yolov5 ONNX model
# For example, the downloaded ONNX model is stored at model/yolov5s_relu.onnx
./download_model.sh

```

### 4.3.2 Model Conversion

Switch to the rknn\_model\_zoo/examples/yolov5/python directory and run the convert.py script. This script converts the original ONNX model to the RKNN model. Refer to the following commands:

```

# Switch to the rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/python directory
cd Projects/rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/python

# Run the convert.py script to convert the original ONNX model to RKNN model
# Usage: python convert.py model_path [rv1103|rv1103b|rv1106] [i8/fp] [output_path]
python convert.py ./model/yolov5s_relu.onnx rv1106 i8 ./model/yolov5s_relu.rknn
# Note: Models generated by rv1103 and rv1103b cannot be shared

```

### 4.3.3 Run RKNN C Demo

To run a RKNN C Demo, you need to first compile the C/C++ source code into an executable file. After that, push the executable file, model files, input images, and other related files to the development board. Finally, execute the executable file on the development board.

#### 4.3.3.1 Compilation

Taking the RV1106 platform with Linux system (armhf architecture) as an example (Note: The RV1103/RV1103B platform is also a development board with a Linux system), you need to use the build-linux.sh script in the rknn\_model\_zoo directory for compilation. Before running the build-linux.sh script, you need to specify the path of the GCC compiler as the local GCC compiler path. Add the following commands to the build-linux.sh script:

```
# Add the following line to the beginning of the 'build-linux.sh' script
GCC_COMPILER=Projects/arm-rockchip830-linux-uclibcgnueabihf/bin/arm-rockchip830-linux-uclibcgnueabihf
```

Then, in the 'rknn\_model\_zoo' directory, execute the 'build-linux.sh' script, referring to the following command:

```
# Switch to the rknn_model_zoo directory
cd Projects/rknn_model_zoo

# Run the build-linux.sh script
# Usage: ./build-linux.sh -t <target> -a <arch> -d <build_demo_name> [-b <build_type>] [-m]
# -t : target (rv1103/rv1106) # Platform type, rv1103b and rv1103 can share other codes except models
# -a : arch (aarch64/armhf) # Board system architecture
# -d : demo name # Corresponding to the name of the subfolders under the examples directory, such as yolov5, MobileNet
# -b : build_type(Debug/Release)
# -m : enable address sanitizer, build_type needs to be set to Debug
./build-linux.sh -t rv1106 -a armhf -d yolov5
```

#### 4.3.3.2 Push Files to the Board

After compilation, an 'install' folder will be generated in the 'rknn\_model\_zoo' directory. It contains the compiled executable file and related files such as input images. The directory structure is as follows:

```
install
├── rv1106_linux_armhf # RV1106 platform
│   └── rknn_yolov5_demo
│       ├── lib # Dependency library
│       ├── model # Store models, test images and other files
│       └── rknn_yolov5_demo # Executable file
```

Execute the following commands to push the files to the board:

```
# Switch to the rknn_model_zoo directory
cd Projects/rknn_model_zoo

# Push the entire rknn_yolov5_demo folder to the board
# Note: The rknn_yolov5_demo folder contains an executable file with the same name, rknn_yolov5_demo
# Note: When using different models and platforms, it is recommended to find the corresponding path directly under the 'install' directory
adb push install/rv1106_linux_armhf/rknn_yolov5_demo /data/
```

#### 4.3.3.3 Run the Demo on Development Board

Execute the following command to run the executable file on the development board:

```
# Switch to the board
adb shell

# Switch to the rknn_yolov5_demo directory
cd /data/rknn_yolov5_demo

# Set the library dependency environment
export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=/data/rknn_yolov5_demo/lib

# Run the executable file
# Usage: ./rknn_yolov5_demo <model_path> <input_path>
./rknn_yolov5_demo model/yolov5s_relu.rknn model/bus.jpg
```

#### 4.3.3.4 View Results

By default, the output image is saved at the path rknn\_yolov5\_demo/out.png. You can use the adb tool to pull it from the board to the local machine. In the local computer terminal, execute the following command:

```
# Pull to the local current directory
adb pull /data/rknn_yolov5_demo/out.png .
```

The output image is as follows:

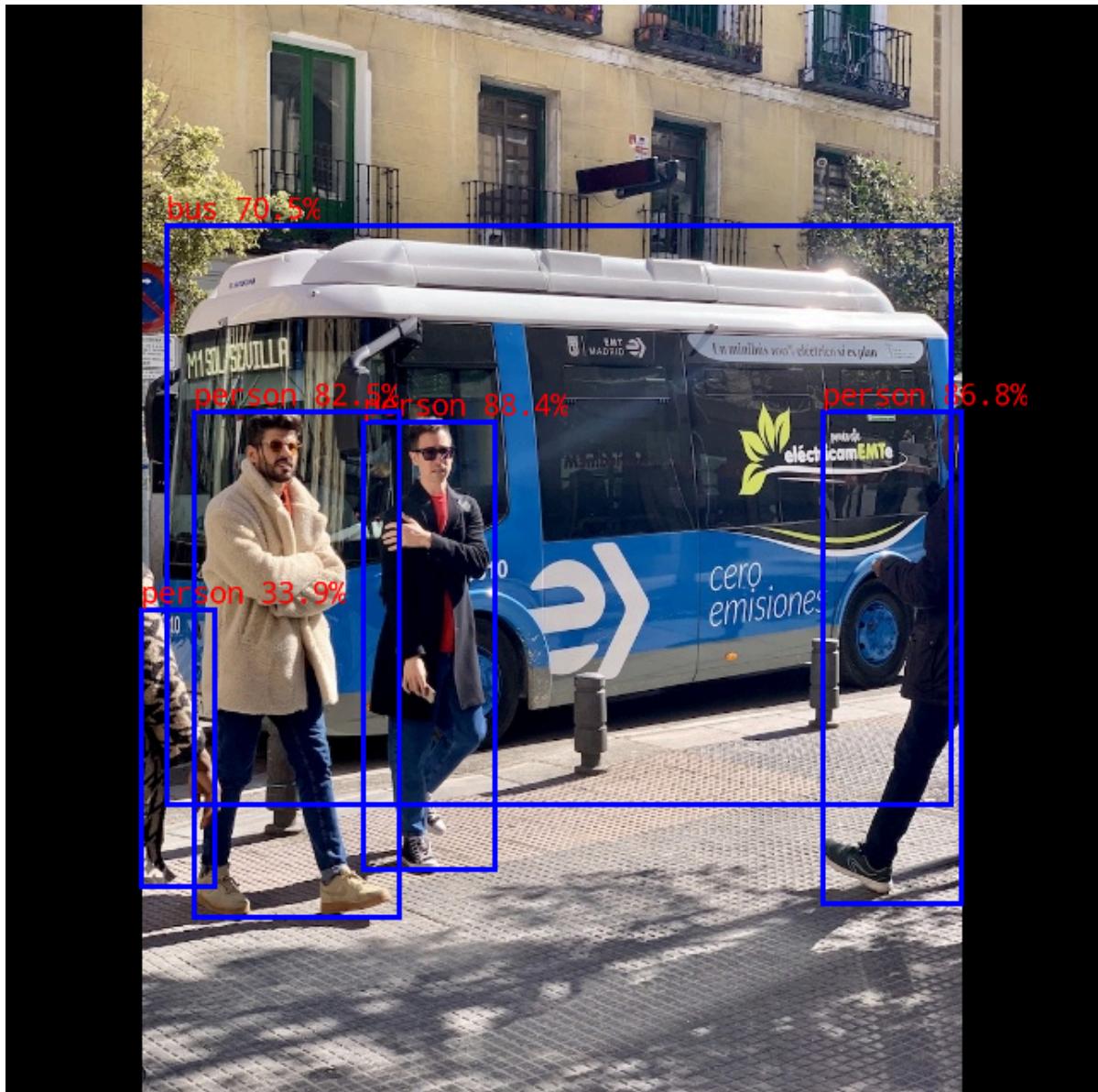


Figure 4-2 Output image of RKNN C demo

## 5 Run RKNN Python Demo in Docker (Optional)

If you need to run the RKNN Python Demo in a Docker environment, please refer to the content in this chapter to prepare the development environment.

Please note that here we provide a Docker image containing the RKNN-Toolkit2 environment, allowing users to directly run RKNN Python Demo without worrying about environment installation issues. However, this Docker image only includes a clean RKNN-Toolkit2 environment and is specifically designed for running RKNN Python Demo.

This chapter is divided into three parts:

- Install Docker
- Install the RKNN-Toolkit2 Environment in Docker
- How to Run RKNN Python Demo

## 5.1 Install Docker

If Docker is already installed, you can skip this step. If it is not installed, please follow the official documentation for installation.

Docker installation official documentation link: <https://docs.docker.com/install/linux/docker-ce/ubuntu/>

Note: It is necessary to add the user to the 'docker' group.

```
# Create the docker group
sudo groupadd docker
# Add the current user to the docker group
sudo usermod -aG docker $USER
# Update to activate the docker group
newgrp docker

# Verify that docker commands can be executed without sudo
docker run hello-world
```

The reference output for successful installation is as follows:

```
Unable to find image 'hello-world:latest' locally
latest: Pulling from library/hello-world
719385e32844: Pull complete
Digest: sha256:88ec0acaa3ec199d3b7eaf73588f4518c25f9d34f58ce9a0df68429c5af48e8d
Status: Downloaded newer image for hello-world:latest

Hello from Docker!
```

## 5.2 Install the RKNN-Toolkit2 Environment in Docker

### 5.2.1 Prepare the RKNN-Toolkit2 Image

This section introduces two methods for creating the RKNN-Toolkit2 image environment. You can choose either method.

#### 1. Create the RKNN Toolkit2 image using a Dockerfile

In the RKNN-Toolkit2 project, the 'docker/docker\_file' folder provides a Dockerfile for building the RKNN-Toolkit2 development environment. Users can create an image using the 'docker build' command, as shown below:

```
# Note: Replace 'xx' and 'x.x.x' with the actual version numbers
cd Projects/rknn-toolkit2/rknn-toolkit2/docker/docker_file/ubuntu_xx_xx_cpxx
docker build -f Dockerfile_ubuntu_xx_xx_for_cpxx -t rknn-toolkit2:x.x.x-cpxx .
```

#### 2. Create the RKNN Toolkit2 image by loading a pre-packaged Docker image file

Download the RKNN-Toolkit2 project files for the corresponding version from the following link. After extracting the files, the 'docker/docker\_image' folder provides a pre-packaged Docker image with all the development environments.

Download link from the cloud drive: <https://console.zbox.filez.com/l/I00fc3> ( Extraction code: rknn)

Execute the following command to load the corresponding Python version of the image file.

```
# Note: Replace 'x.x.x' with the actual version number of RKNN-Toolkit2, and 'cpxx' with the Python version
docker load --input rknn-toolkit2-x.x.x-cpxx-docker.tar.gz
```

## 5.2.2 Query Image Information

After successfully creating or loading an image, you can view Docker image information using the following command:

```
docker images
```

The corresponding RKNN-Toolkit2 image information is displayed as follows.

REPOSITORY	TAG	IMAGE ID	CREATED	SIZE
rknn-toolkit2	x.x.x-cpxx	xxxxxxxxxxxx	1 hours ago	5.89GB

## 5.3 How to Run RKNN Python Demo

Note: Please ensure that the board has the RKNPU2 environment installed. If not, refer to the content in Chapter [3.4](#) for installation instructions.

- Map the files and run the container

Please refer to Chapter [3.1](#) for downloading the RKNN Model Zoo project locally. Then, map it into the container and run the container using the 'docker run' command. After running, it will switch to the container's bash environment. Refer to the following commands:

```
# Use the docker run command to create and run the RKNN Toolkit2 container
# Map local files into the container by attaching the -v <host src folder>:<image dst folder> parameter
docker run -t -i --privileged \
-v /dev/bus/usb:/dev/bus/usb \
-v /Projects/rknn_model_zoo:/rknn_model_zoo \
rknn-toolkit2:x.x.x-cpxx \
/bin/bash
```

- Prepare Model

Switch to the rknn\_model\_zoo/examples/yolov5/model directory, and execute the download\_model.sh script. This script will download an available YOLOv5 ONNX model and store it in the current model directory. Refer to the following commands:

```
# Switch to the rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/model directory
cd rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/model

# Run the download_model.sh script to download the yolov5 onnx model
# For example, the downloaded onnx model will be stored at model/yolov5s_relu.onnx
./download_model.sh
```

- Model Conversion

Switch to the rknn\_model\_zoo/examples/yolov5/python directory and run the convert.py script. This script converts the original ONNX model to the RKNN model. Refer to the following commands:

```
# Switch to the rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/python directory
cd Projects/rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/python

# Run the convert.py script to convert the original ONNX model to RKNN model
# Usage: python convert.py model_path [rv1103|rv1103b|rv1106] [i8/fp] [output_path]
python convert.py ./model/yolov5s_relu.onnx rv1106 i8 ./model/yolov5s_relu.rknn
# Note: Models generated by rv1103 and rv1103b cannot be shared
```

- Run RKNN Python Demo

Switch to the rknn\_model\_zoo/examples/yolov5/python directory, execute the yolov5.py script, and you can run the YOLOv5 model on the development board using on-board debugging. Refer to the following command:

```
# Switch to the Projects/rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/python directory
cd Projects/rknn_model_zoo/examples/yolov5/python

# Run the yolov5.py script to run the yolov5 model on the board
# Usage: python yolov5.py --model_path {rknn_model} --target {target_platform}
# Note: Here, we use RV1106 as an example platform. If using a different board, modify the platform type in the
# command accordingly.
python yolov5.py --model_path ./model/yolov5s_relu.rknn --target rv1106
```

After the successful execution of the script, the output information will be as follows. In this context, the "class" field represents the predicted category, "score" is the confidence score, "(xmin, ymin)" are the coordinates of the top-left corner of the detection box, and "(xmax, ymax)" are the coordinates of the bottom-right corner of the detection box.

```
# class @ (xmin, ymin, xmax, ymax) score
person @ (209 243 286 510) 0.880
person @ (479 238 560 527) 0.871
person @ (109 238 231 534) 0.840
bus @ (91 129 555 464) 0.692
person @ (79 353 121 517) 0.301
```

## 6 Frequently Asked Questions

### 6.1 Command 'adb devices' Does Not Show the Device

You can try the following methods to resolve this issue:

1. Check if the connection is correct, reconnect the data cable, try using a different USB port on the computer, or replace the data cable.
2. When using USB to connect the development board, please ensure that only one adb server service can be running on the local computer and the Docker container at the same time. For example, if you need to connect the development board in a Docker container, execute the command adb kill-server in the computer's terminal to terminate the adb server service on the local computer.
3. If you encounter the following error, it indicates that adb is not installed. You need to execute the installation command 'sudo apt install adb' to install adb.

```
command 'adb' not found, but can be installed with:
```

```
sudo apt install adb
```

## 6.2 Manually Start the rknn\_server Service

The functionality of on-board debugging in RKNN-Toolkit2 requires the board to have the RKNPU2 environment installed, and the rknn\_server service to be running. However, some development boards may not have the rknn\_server service started by default after power on or reboot. This can result in errors such as "E init\_runtime: The rknn\_server on the connected device is abnormal" when running RKNN Python Demo.

In such cases, you need to switch to the board and manually start the rknn\_server service. Please refer to section [3.4.2](#), "Check if the RKNPU2 environment is installed," for details on starting the rknn\_server service.

## 6.3 Insufficient Memory Causes Model Loading Failure

On RV1103/RV1103B/RV1106 development boards with limited memory, if the rkipc process is already running on the board, it can lead to model loading failure, and you may encounter the error message 'E init\_runtime: Exception: RKNN init failed. error code: RKNN\_ERR\_MODEL\_INVALID.' In this case, you need to switch to the board and manually terminate the rkipc process. Refer to the following commands:

```
# Switch to the board's shell
```

```
adb shell
```

```
# View the currently running processes and find the Process ID (PID) corresponding to the rkipc process
```

```
top
```

```
# Terminate the rkipc process
```

```
kill -9 PID
```

# 7 Reference Documentation

- For more detailed usage and interface instructions of RKNN-Toolkit2 and RKNPU2, please refer to the "Rockchip\_RKNPU\_User\_Guide\_RKNN\_SDK\_EN.pdf" manual.