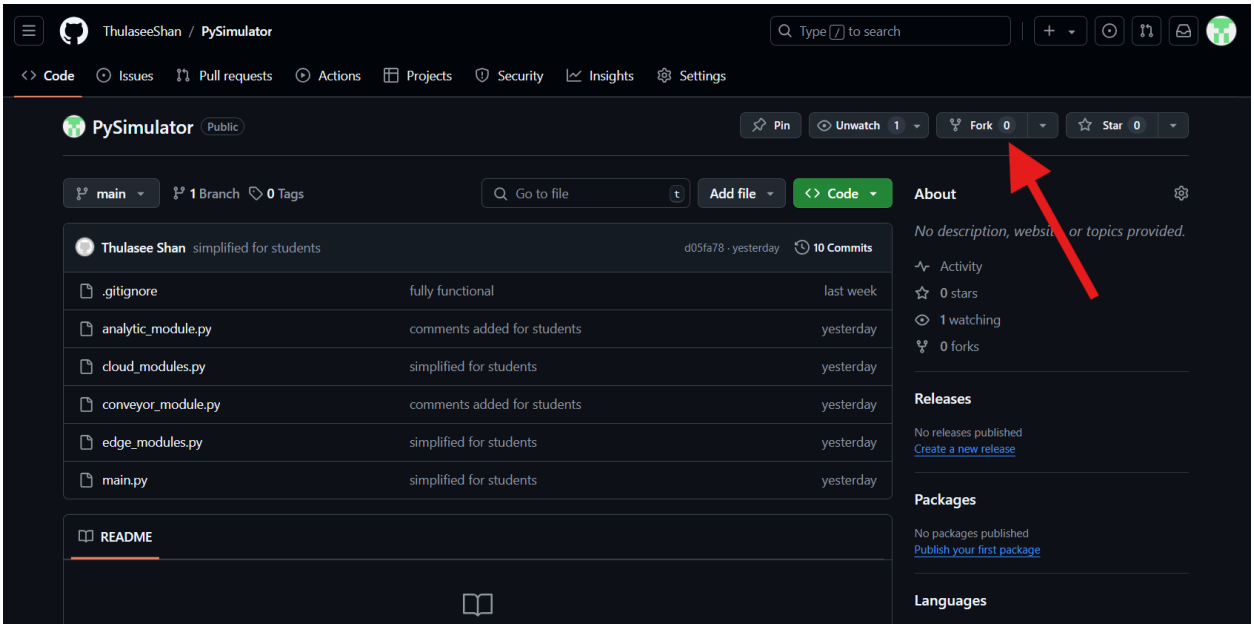
Edge Computing Hands-On Lab

Using the pre-built solution for cookie defect identification

Step 1: (Optional) Install Python and the Development tools

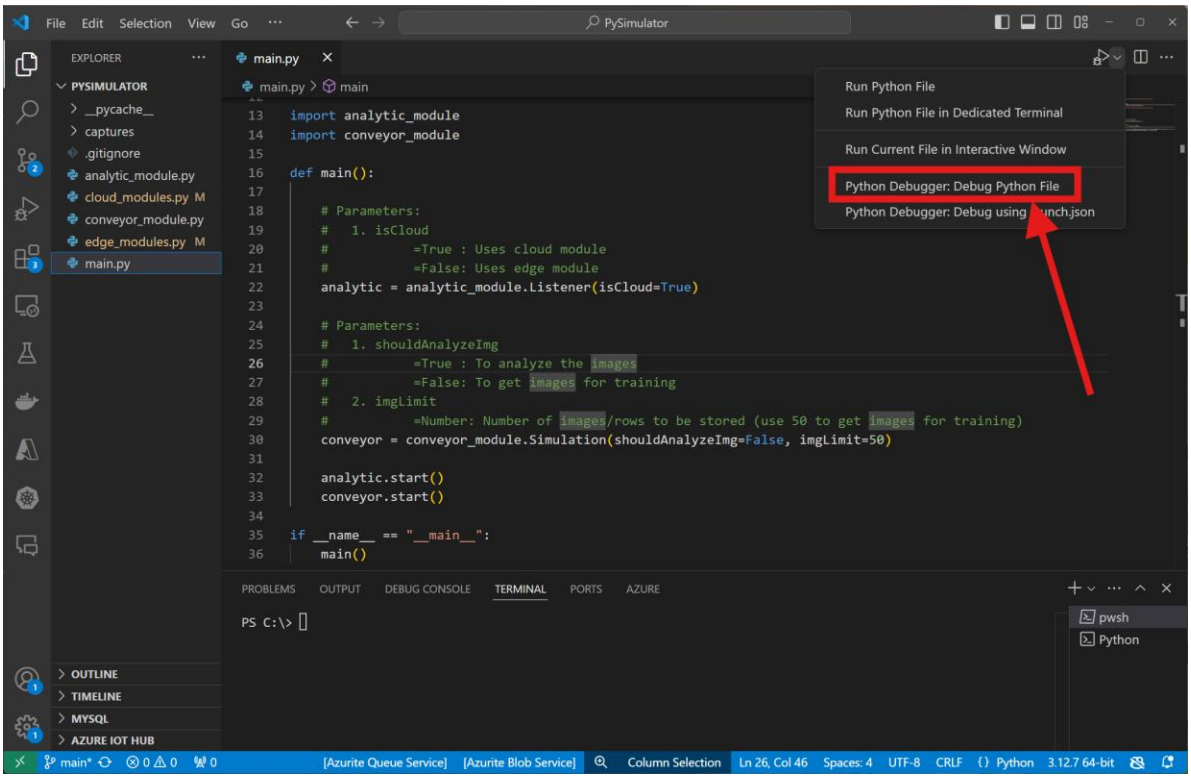
1. Install Python, VS Code and tools.
   Follow this tutorial: [Install and configure Visual Studio Code for Python development - Training | Microsoft Learn]
2. Ensure the following modules are installed.
   a. requests
      `pip install requests`
   b. pygame
      `pip install pygame`
3. Fork from this Git repository: https://github.com/ThulaseeShan/PySimulator to your own GitHub repository



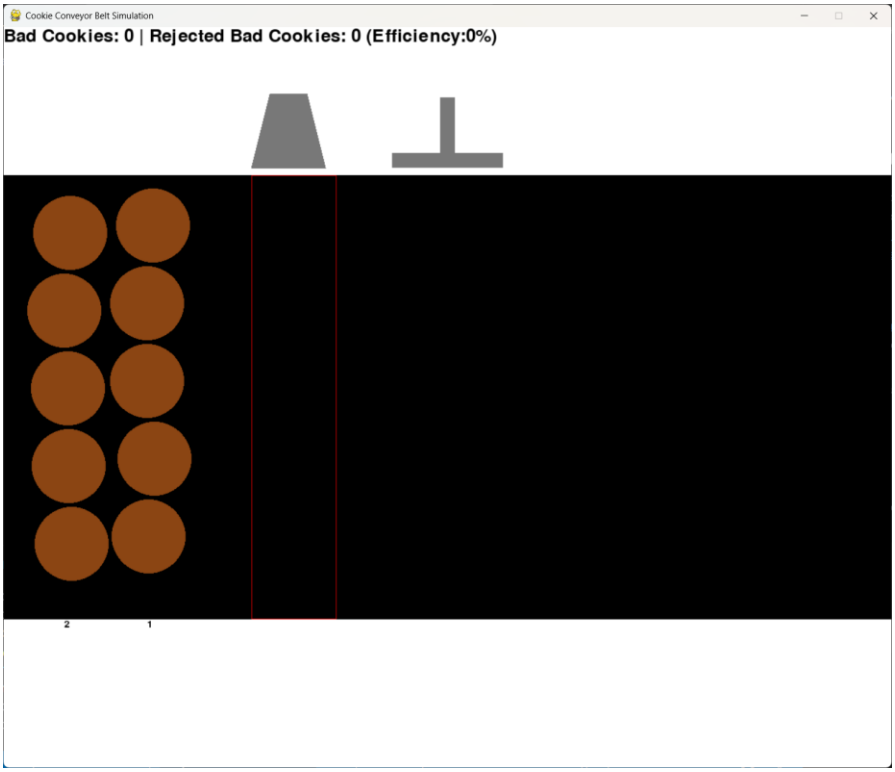
4. Connect VS Code to your GitHub repository (we created this during the first lab session)
5. Sync up the code to your laptop / machine
   If you don't know how to work with Git repository using VS Code, refer this: Collaborate on GitHub (visualstudio.com)

Step 2: Run the Simulator for the first time.

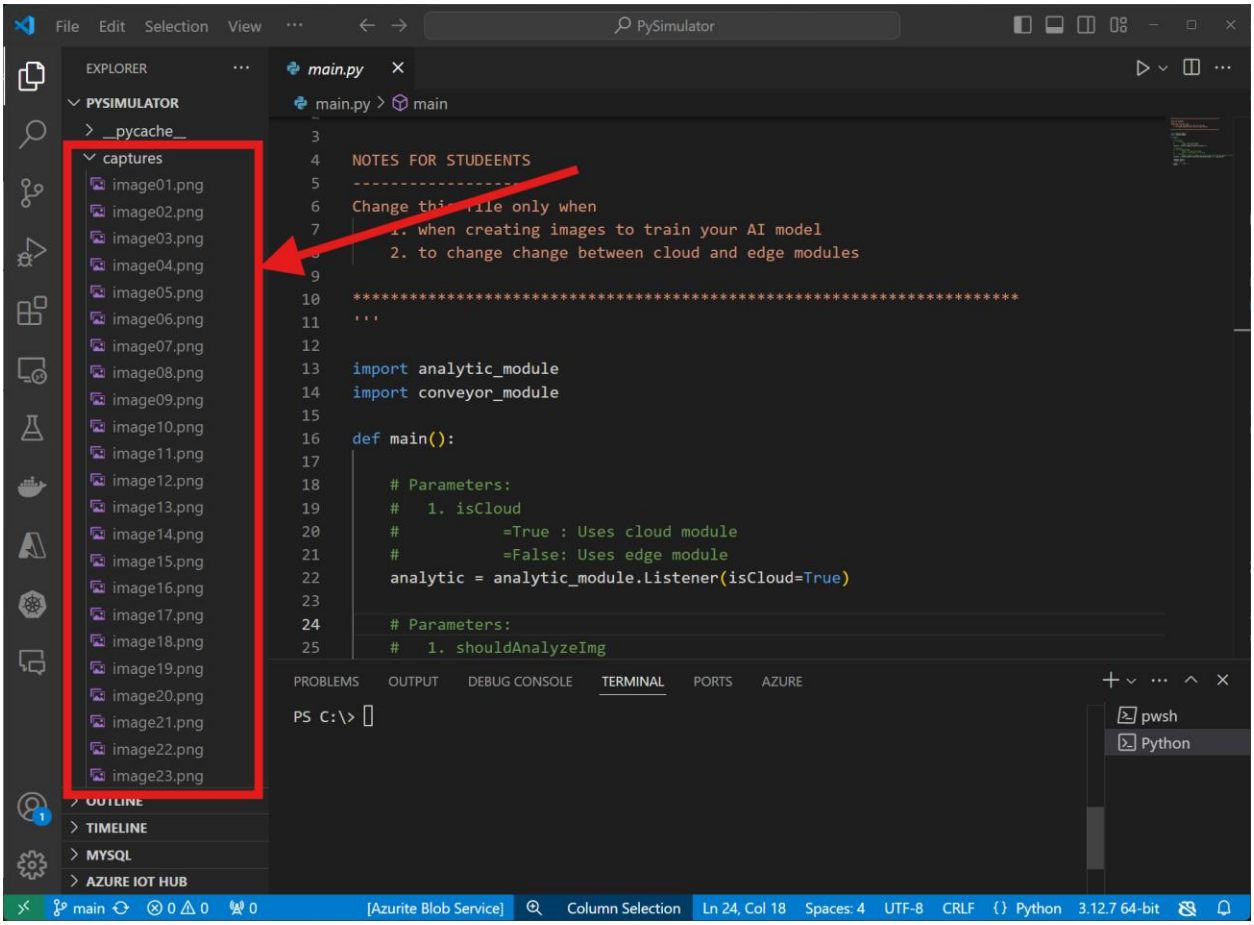
1. Once the code is synced select the main.py and click run in Python Debugger (otherwise you might see some error messages). No code changes would be required for the 1st run.



2. If everything is set up correctly, you should see the simulator running as follows

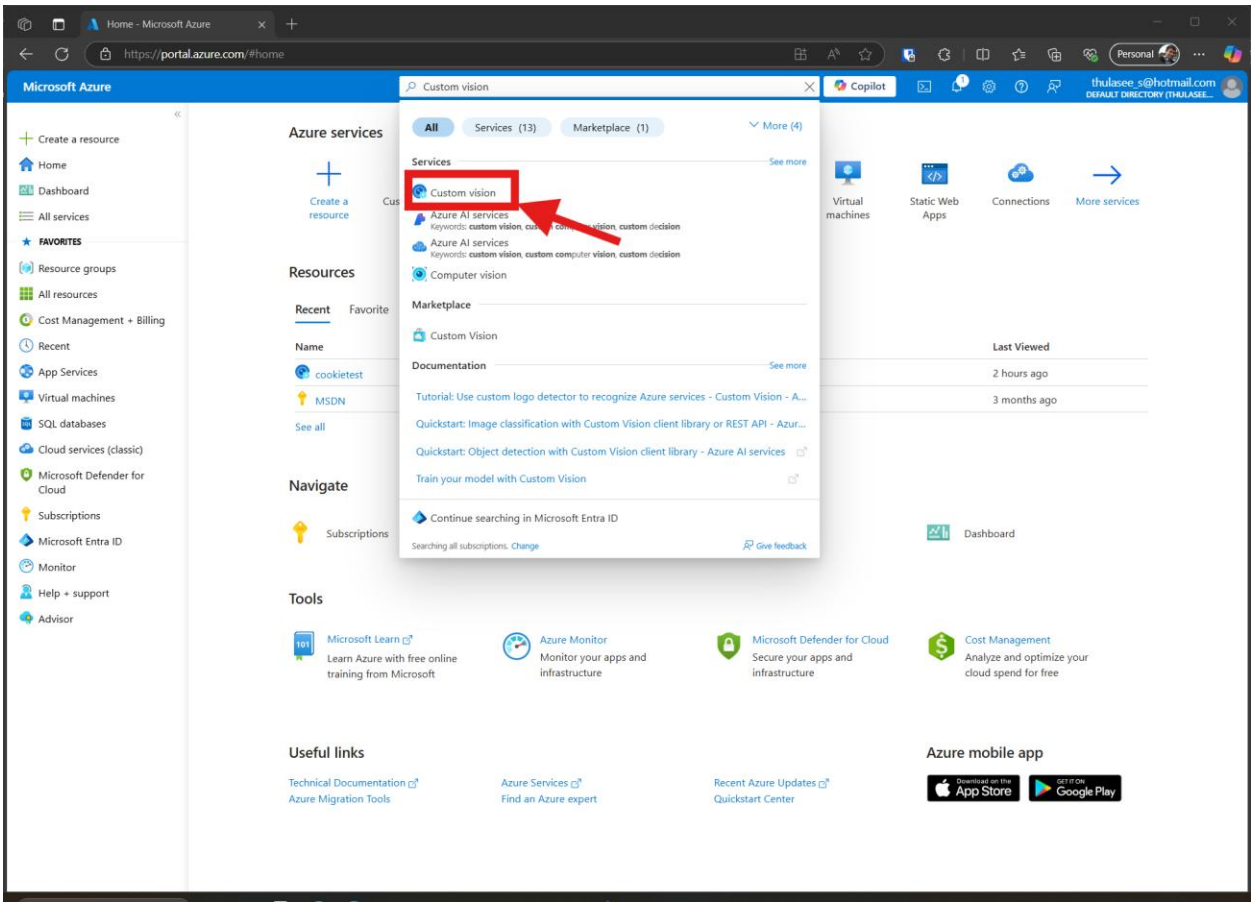


3. Wait until you see 50 captured files created in the “captures” folder and then close the simulator. You may also watch the row numbers (on the bottom of the simulator screen) until they reach 55 - 60.

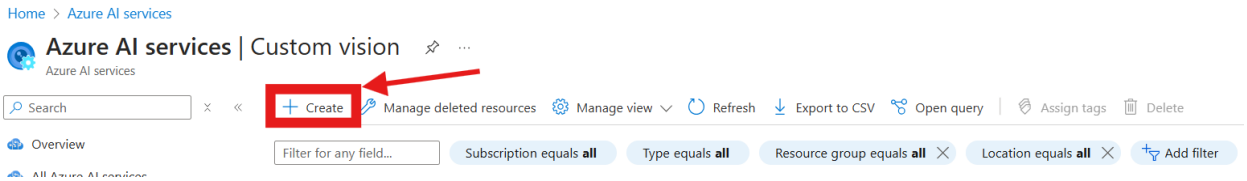


Step 3: Setting up a Custom Vision AI Project in Azure Portal

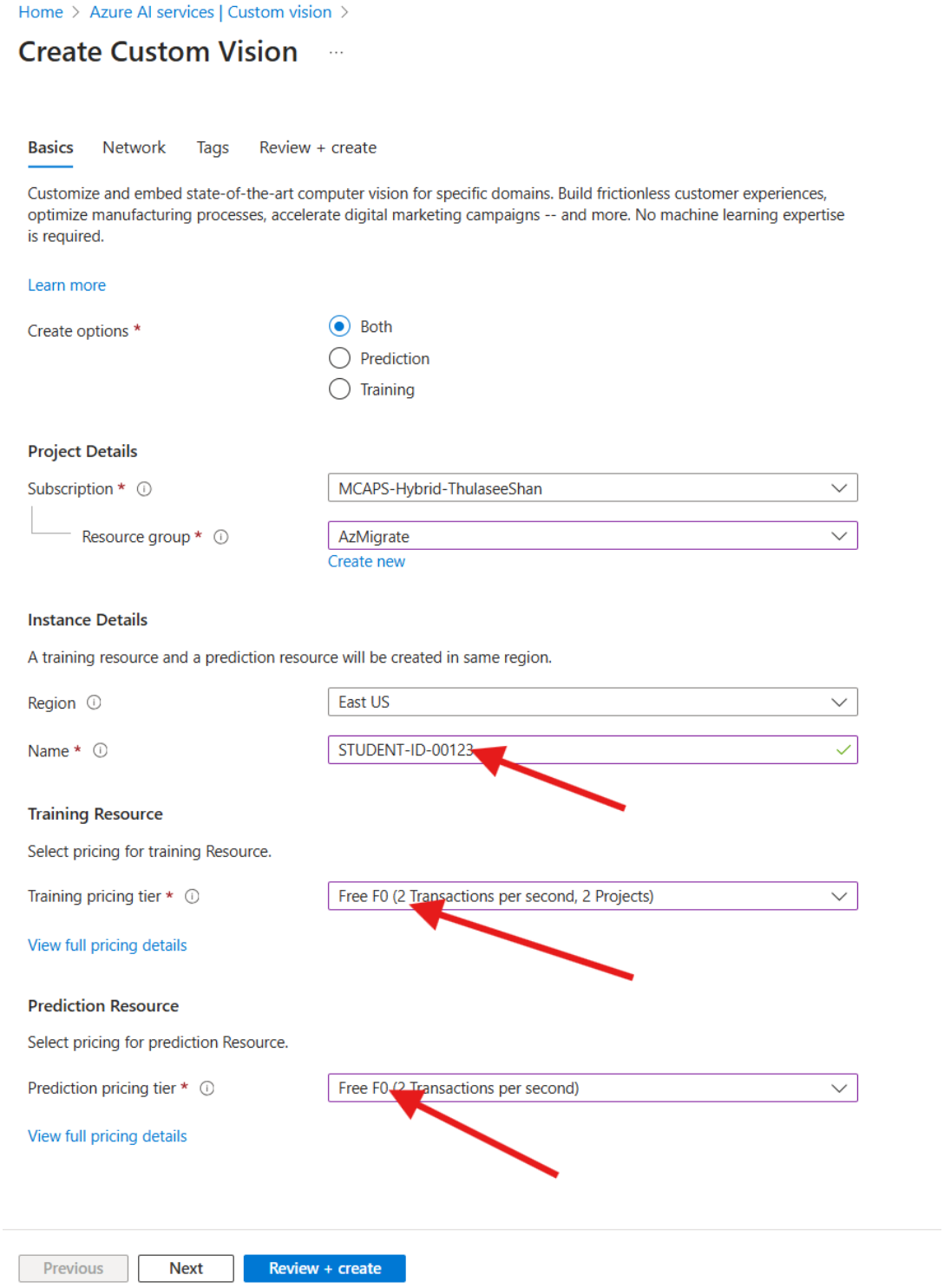
1. Login to the Azure portal in your browser and search for “custom vision” in the top search bar and select the option “Custom vision”



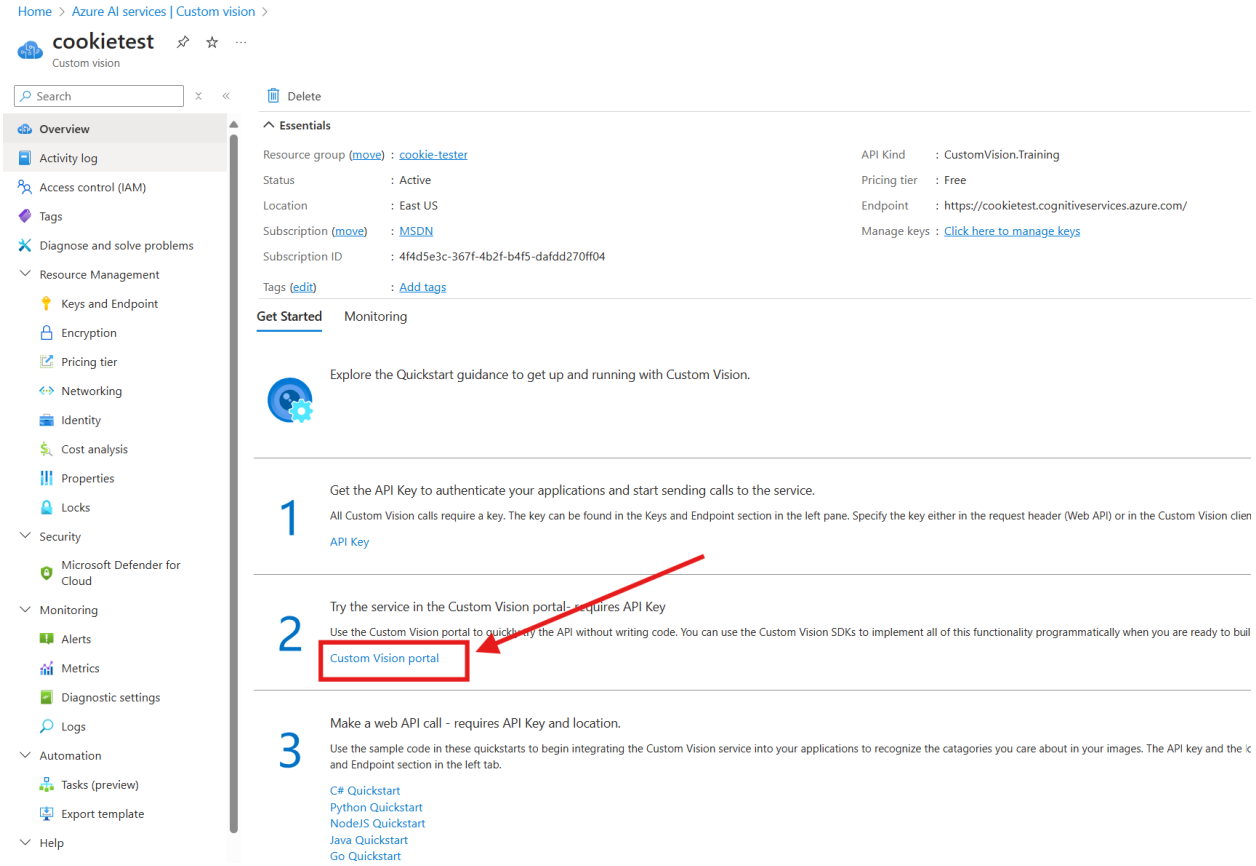
2. Click “Create” from the top tool bar



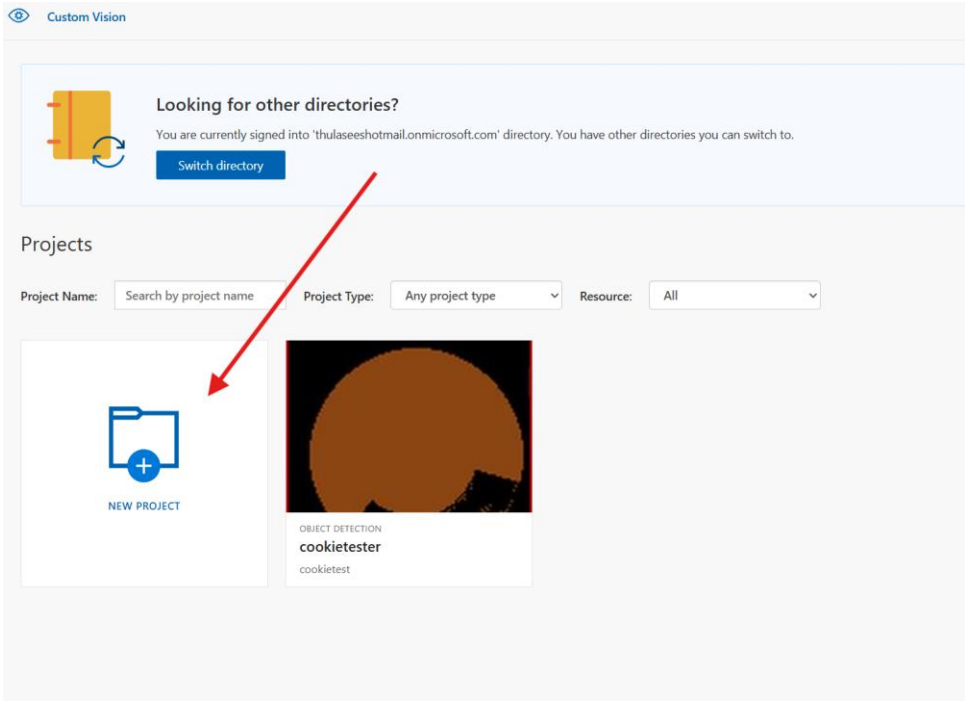
3. Fill out the information on the next screen. Ensure you have given your student id as the instance name and selected Free F0 as the pricing tier. You can have only 1 free resource. If you have already created it before, you will have to delete and recreate.



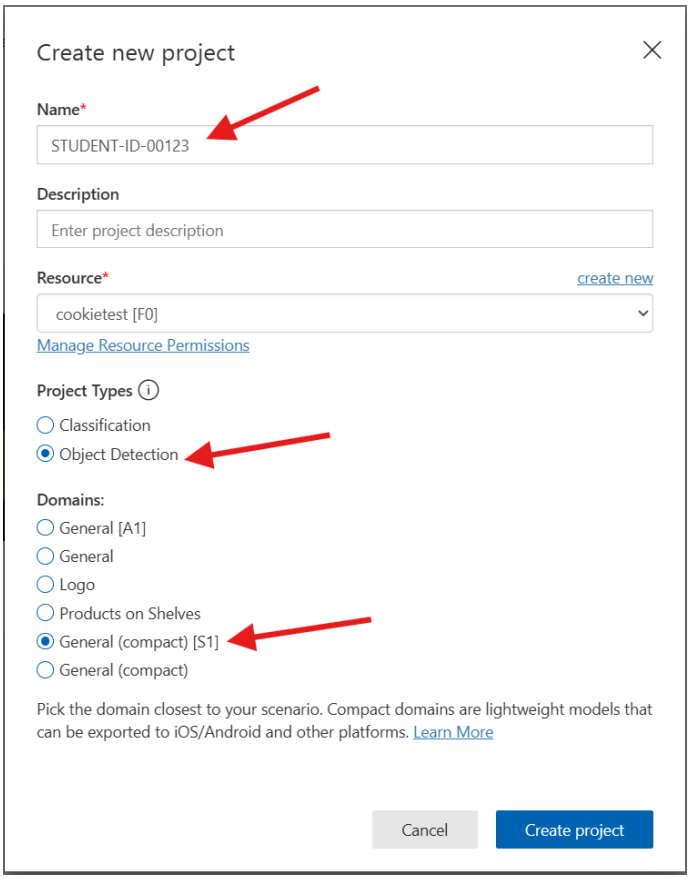
4. Once the instance is created click the 1st resource and then select “Custom Vision portal”. This will open in a new tab and then sign in to the portal (it should use the same login as Azure portal)



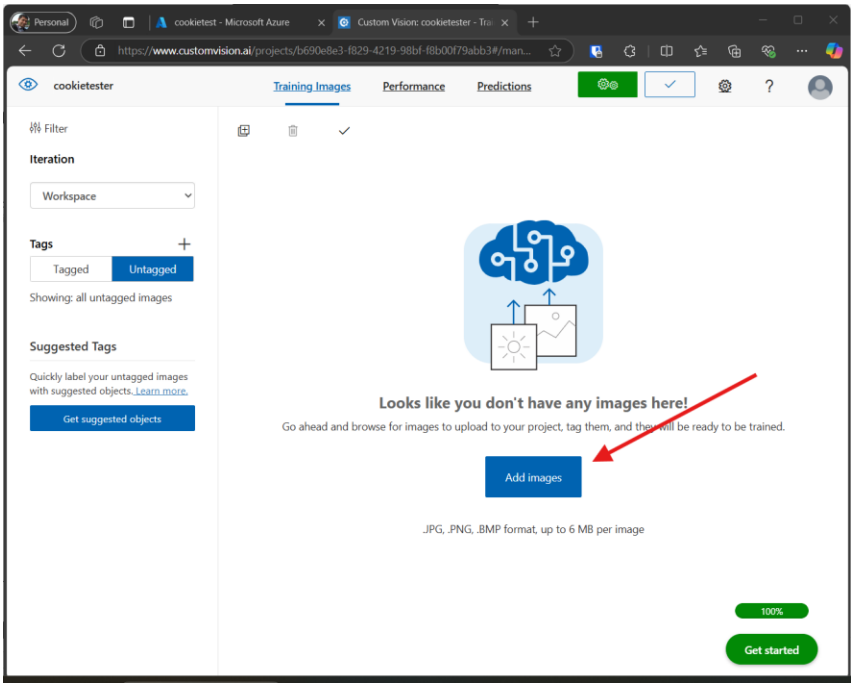
5. Once in the customvision.ai portal, click the new project link



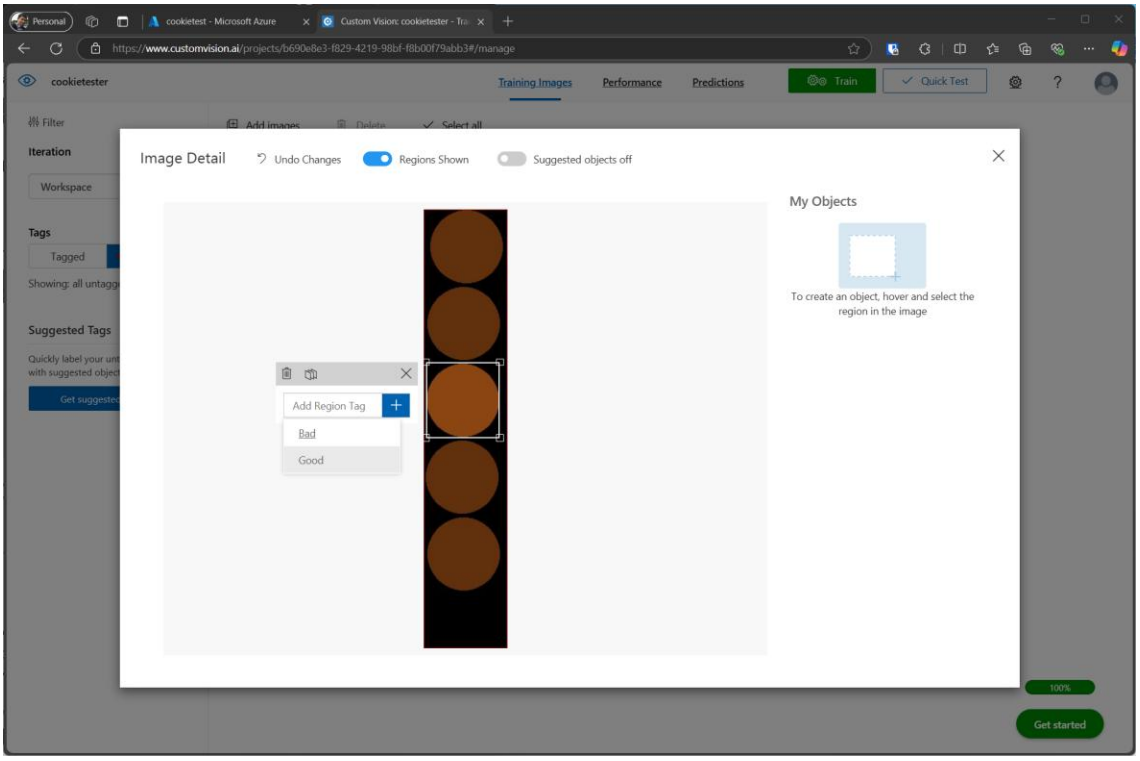
6. Provide your student id again as the name of the project and select “Object Detection” as the project type and “General (compact) [S1]” as the Domain. If this is not selected, you won’t be able to build the Docker Container.



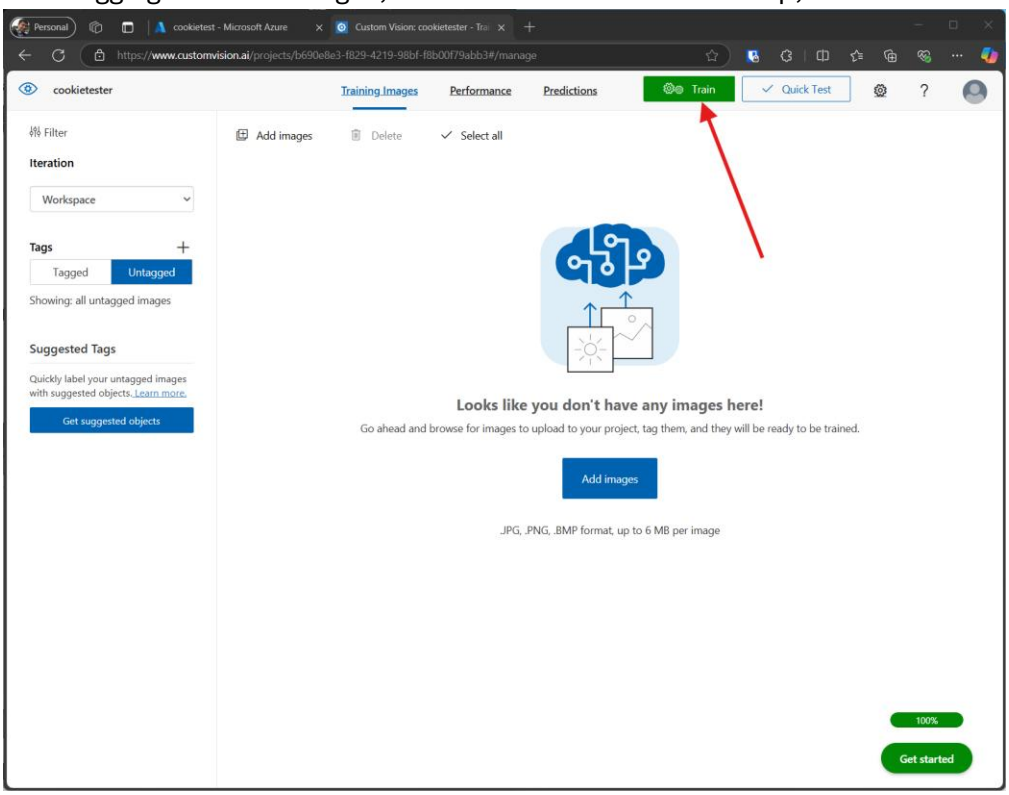
7. Once the project is created, select the “Add images” button and upload all the 50 images generated by the simulator.



8. When the uploading is completed, select the image and tag each cookie appropriately. Select the good cookies and tag them as “Good” while the defect cookies as “Bad”. Pay attention to the letter-case, as python code may not work if you misspell them or change the letter-case

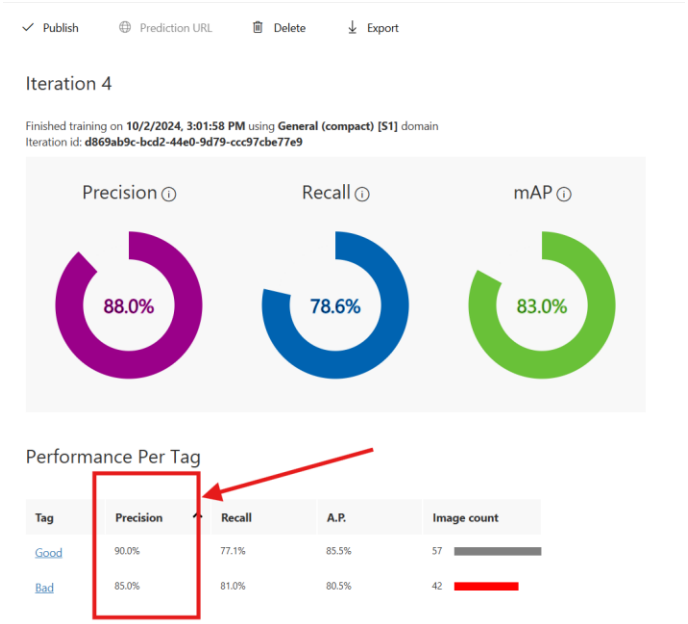


9. After tagging all the 50 images, click on the “Train” from the top, to train the AI model

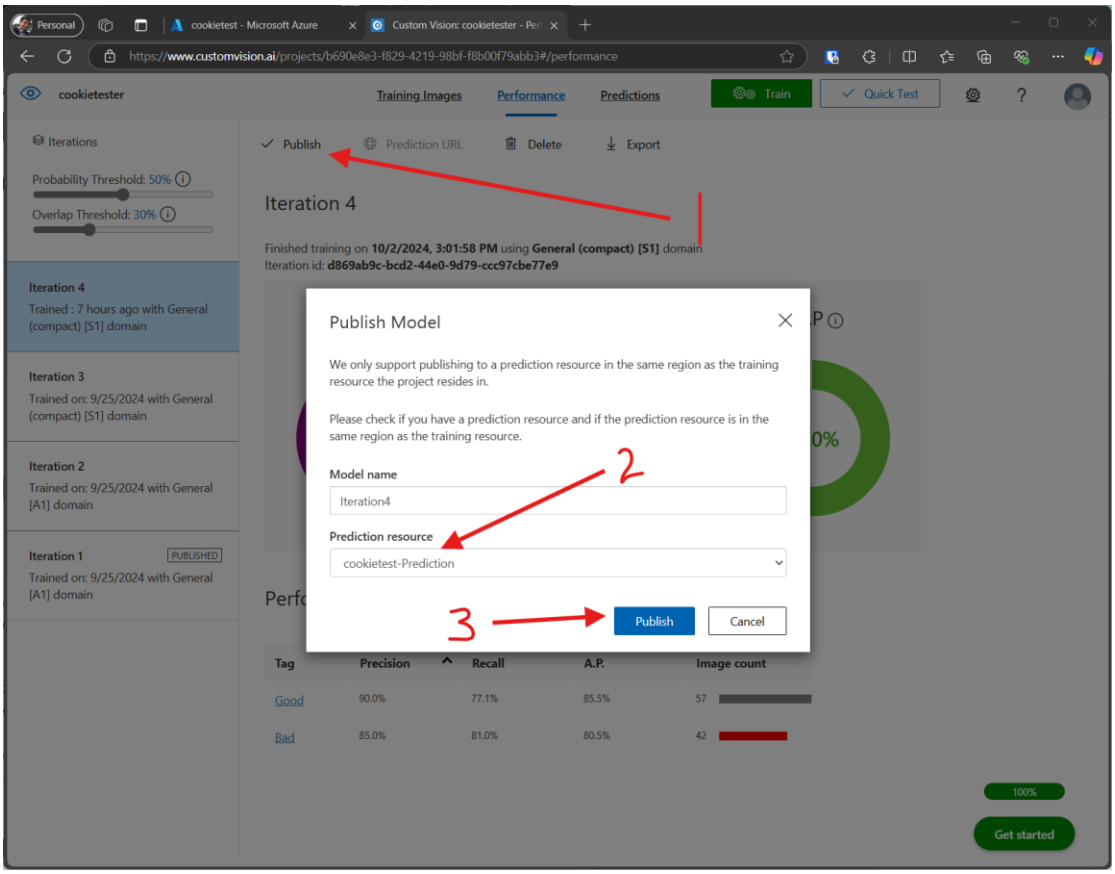


10. Then select the “Quick Training”, and then click “Train” button. This would take 30 to 60 minutes to complete.

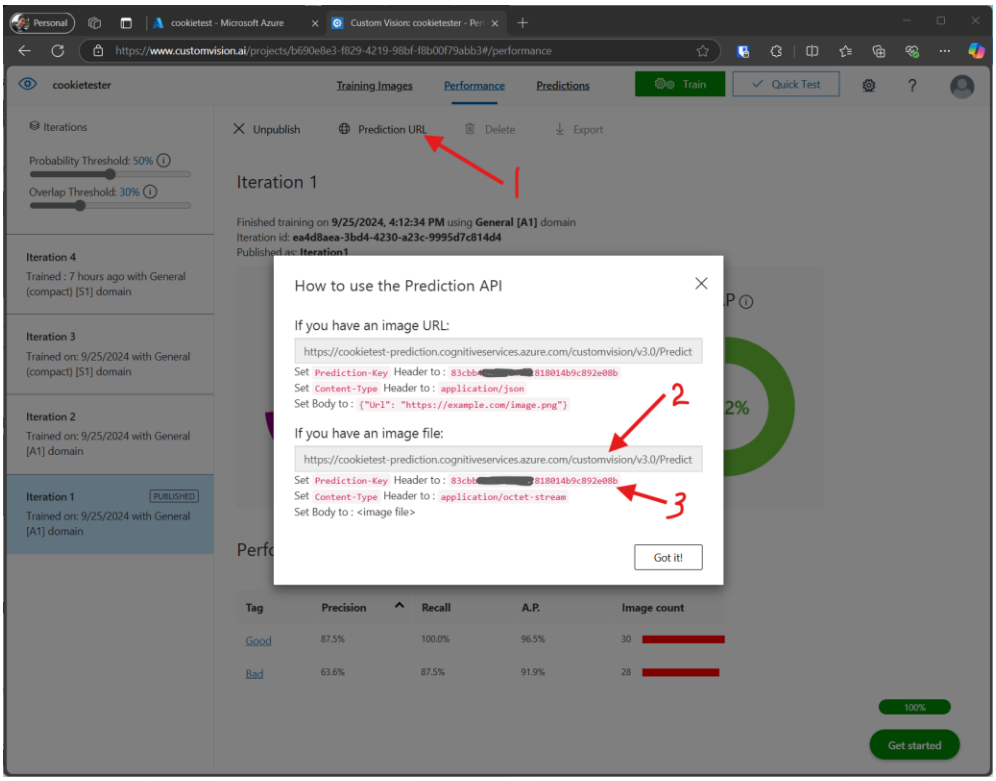
11. When the training is completed, you should see the precision above 85%. If not, the number of images you trained is not enough and you will have to bring more images and train the AI multiple times.



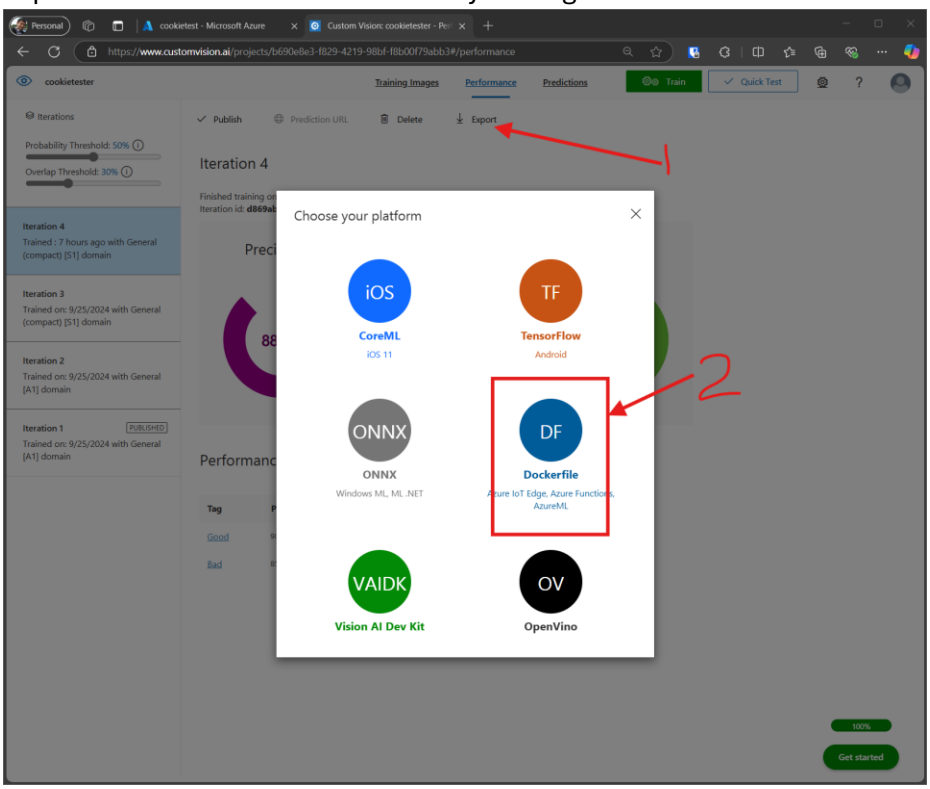
12. When you are satisfied with the results, click on “Publish” and select the Prediction resource you create earlier and publish



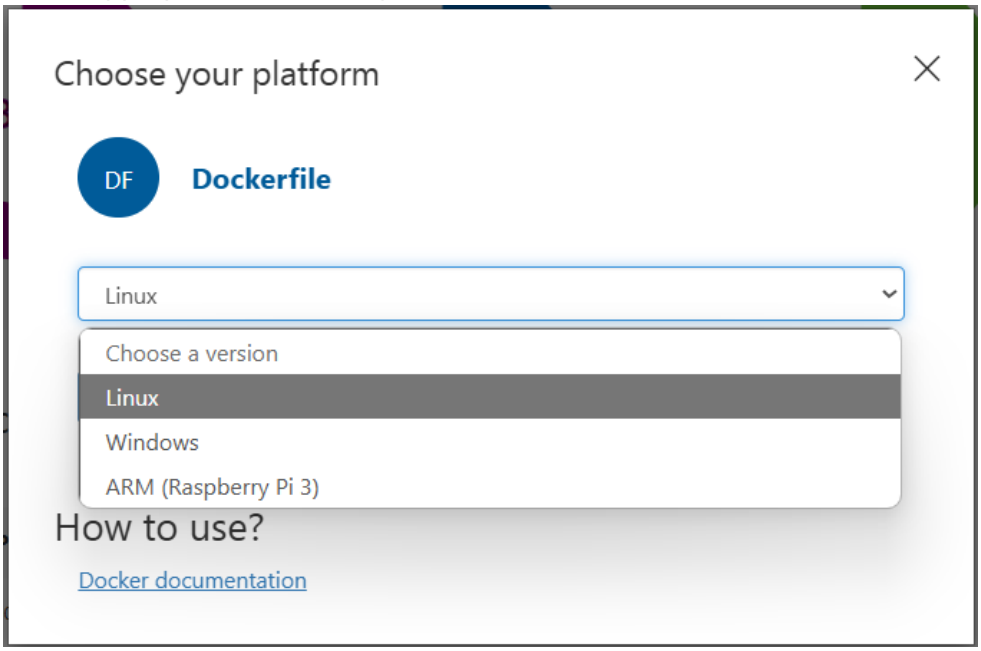
13. After publishing, you should be able to get the URL and Prediction-Key (aka API Key) from the Prediction URL option from the top menu.



14. Export the Docker Container to build your Edge node



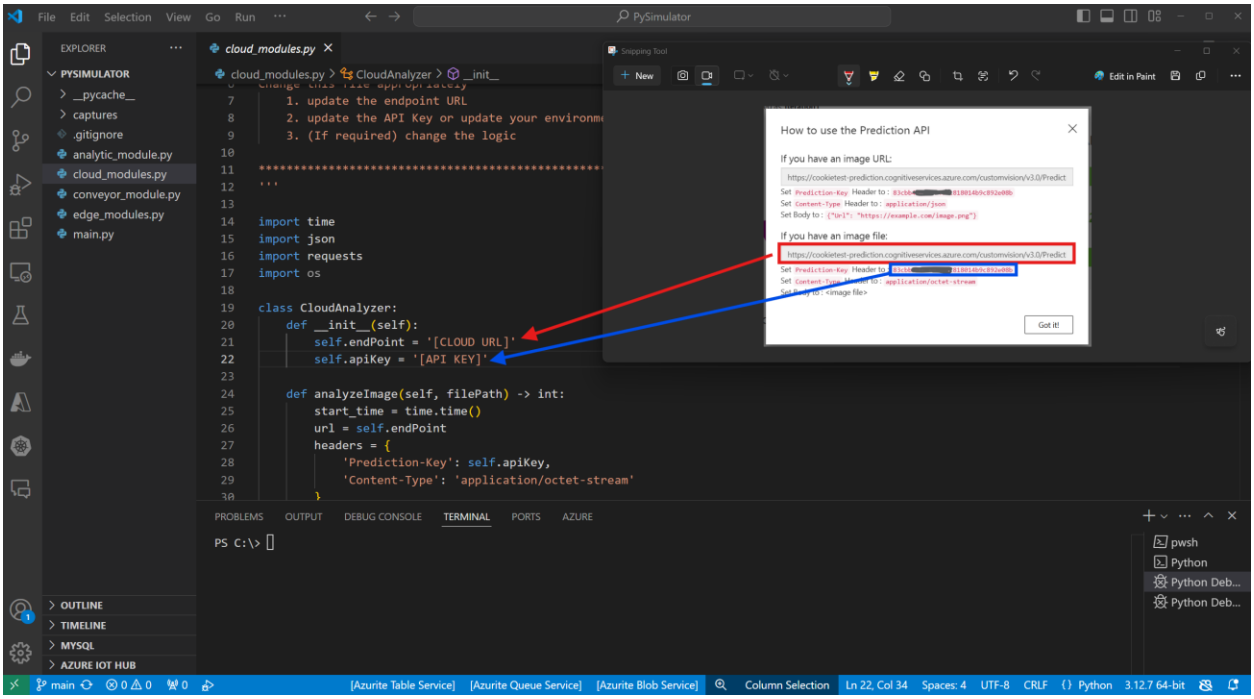
15. Select appropriate OS, where you intend to run the docker and download the zip file



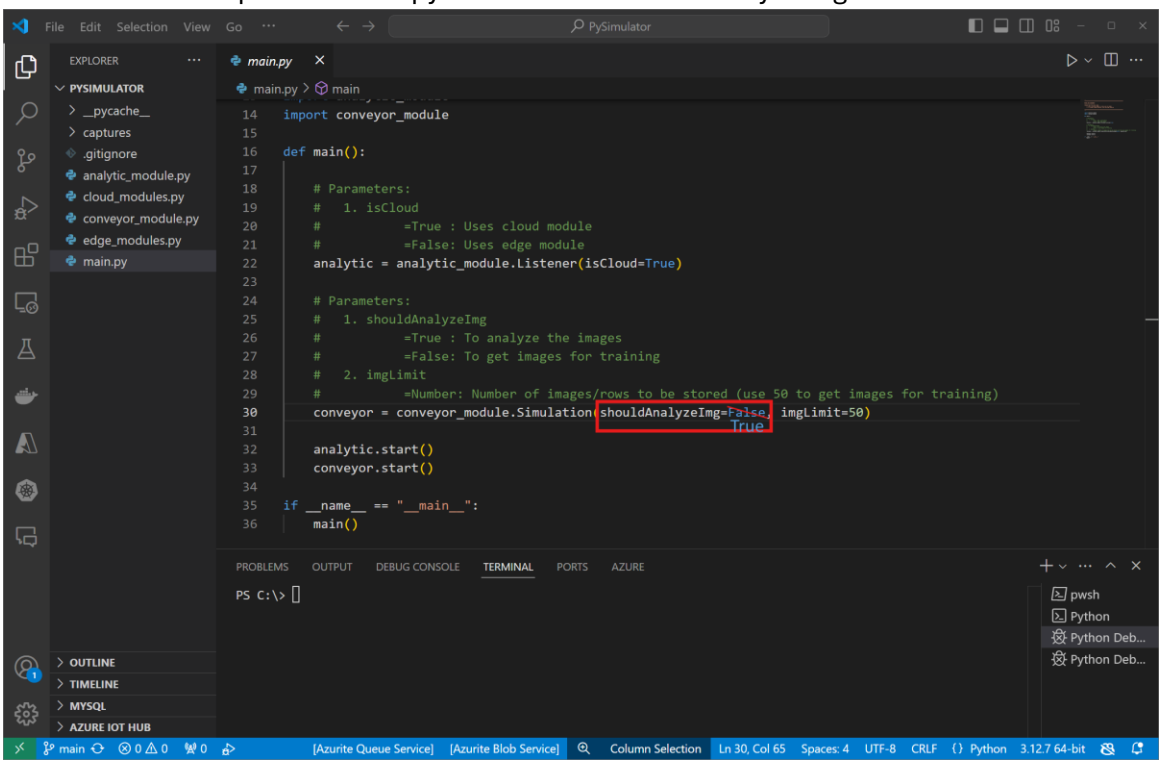
16. Unzip this to a folder and ensure you see the “Dockerfile” this the important file to build the docker container later.

Step 4: Testing the Cloud Analyzer with the Simulator

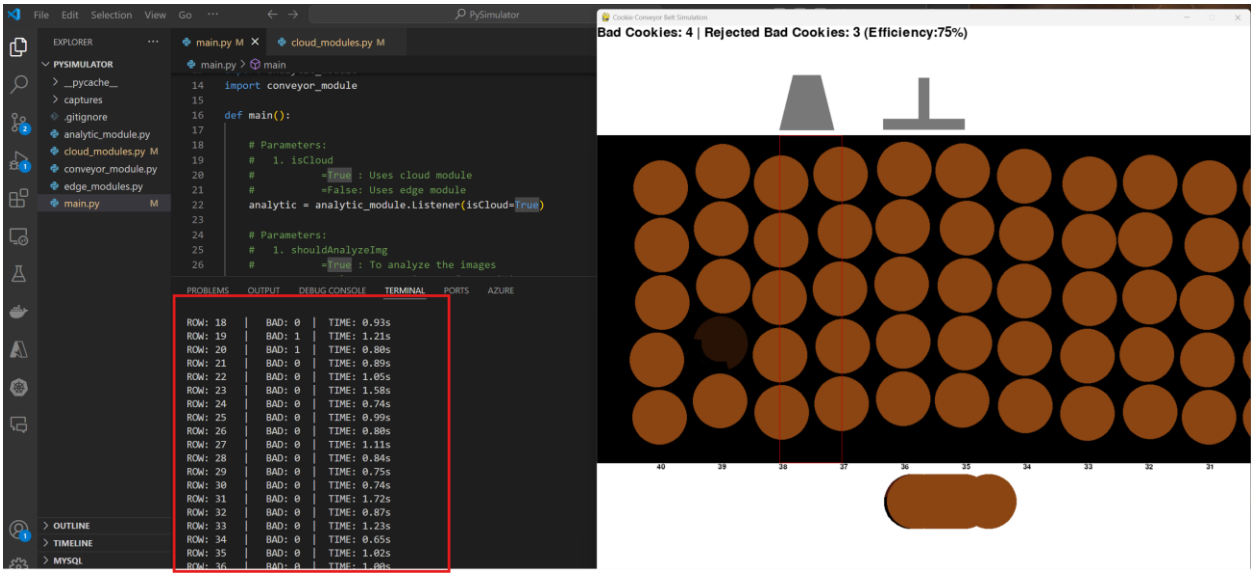
1. Go back to the python code and open the “cloud_module.py” file and replace the “[CLOUD URL]” and “[API KEY]” with the values from the publish settings



2. Save this file and open the main.py. Then set the shouldAnalyzeImg to True



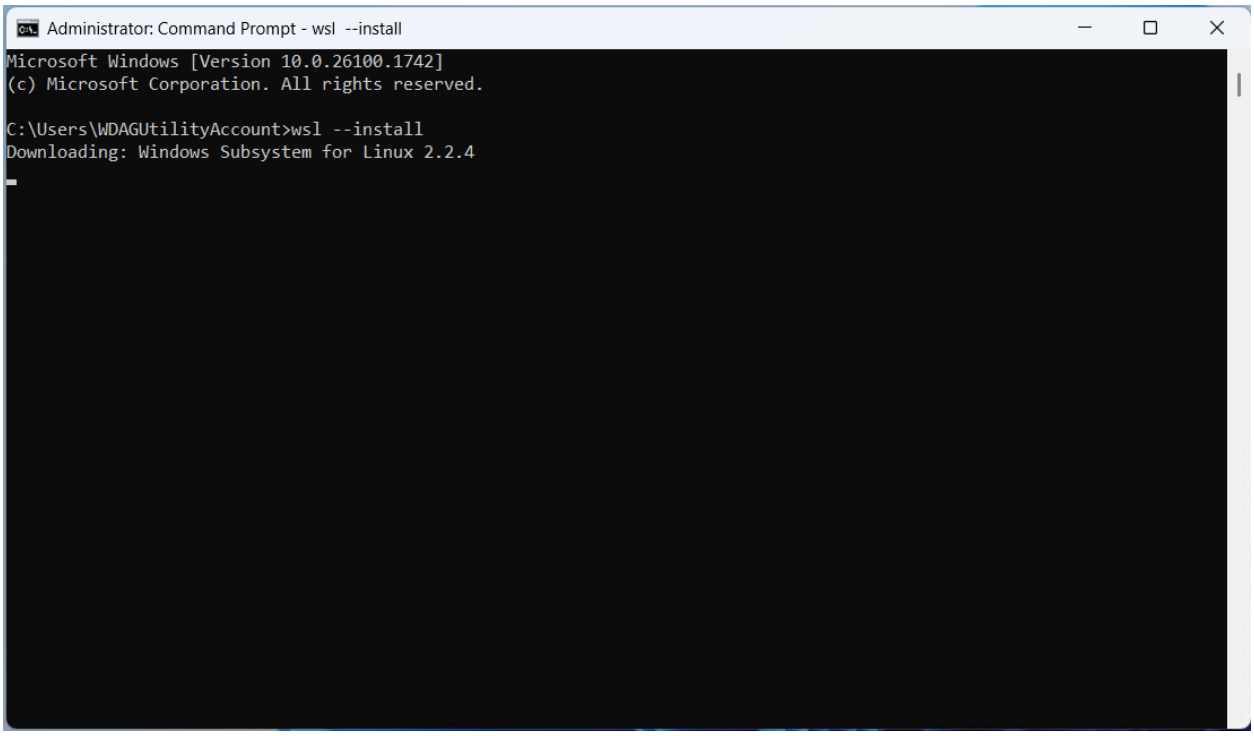
3. Run the application in debug mode (refer to the point Step-2.1 above). Observe the RTT (round trip time) to get the results from the cloud.



Step 5: (Optional) Setup Docker in Linux environment

Do this, only if you don't have Docker installed already.

1. Install WSL and Ubuntu. This will install Windows Subsystem for Linux, which is easier to work on Linux without leaving Windows. Run the following command on your command window "wsl –install"



2. Install docker on Linux. Follow the instructions here: [How To Install and Use Docker on Ubuntu 20.04 | DigitalOcean]

Step 6: Running and Testing Edge Module with Simulator

1. Extract the zip file you downloaded and then navigate to the folder where you find the "Dockerfile" on Linux. Run the docker build command as follows

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thulasee@DESKTOP-[redacted]:/mnt/c/Users/[redacted]$ cd Downloads/cookie-docker/
thulasee@DESKTOP-[redacted]:/mnt/c/Users/[redacted]/Downloads/cookie-docker$ sudo docker build -t cookie-detect .
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2. Once the docker image is built, run the image using the following command

```
thulasee@DESKTOP-[redacted]:/mnt/c/Users/[redacted]/Downloads/cookie-docker$ sudo docker run -d -p 80:80 cookie-detect
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3. If it is running successfully, you should see a log code without any error messages.
4. Now get the IP address of your WSL / Linux

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thulasee@DESKTOP-[redacted]:/mnt/c/Users/[redacted]$ hostname -I
172.23.94.200 172.17.0.1
```
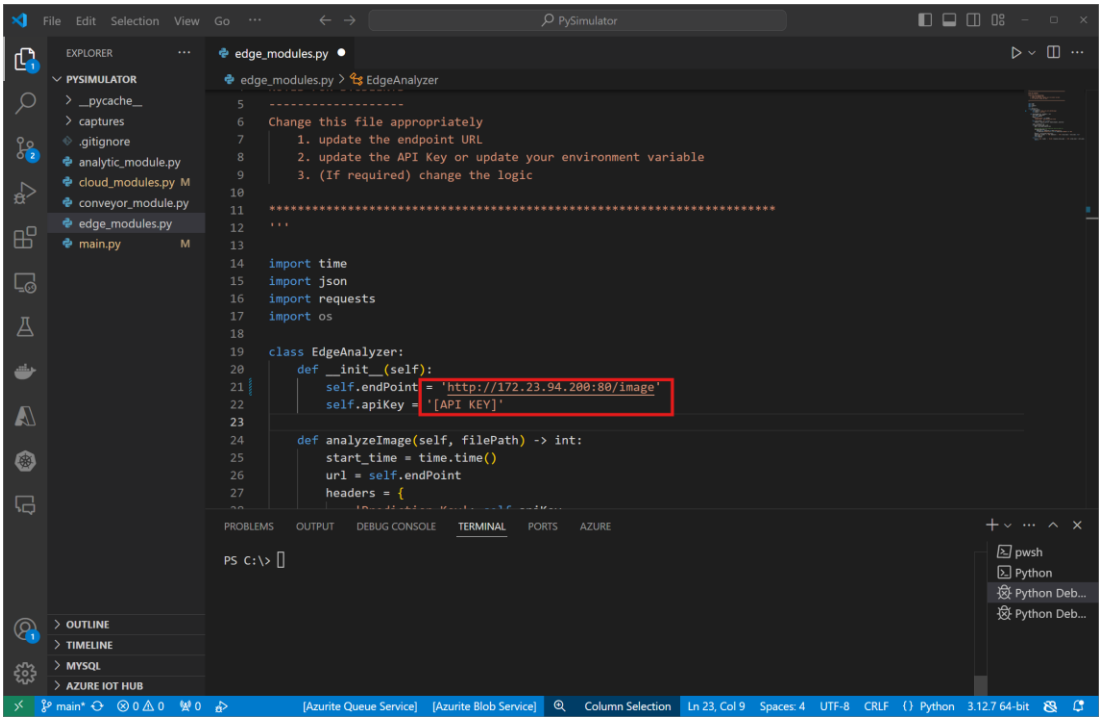
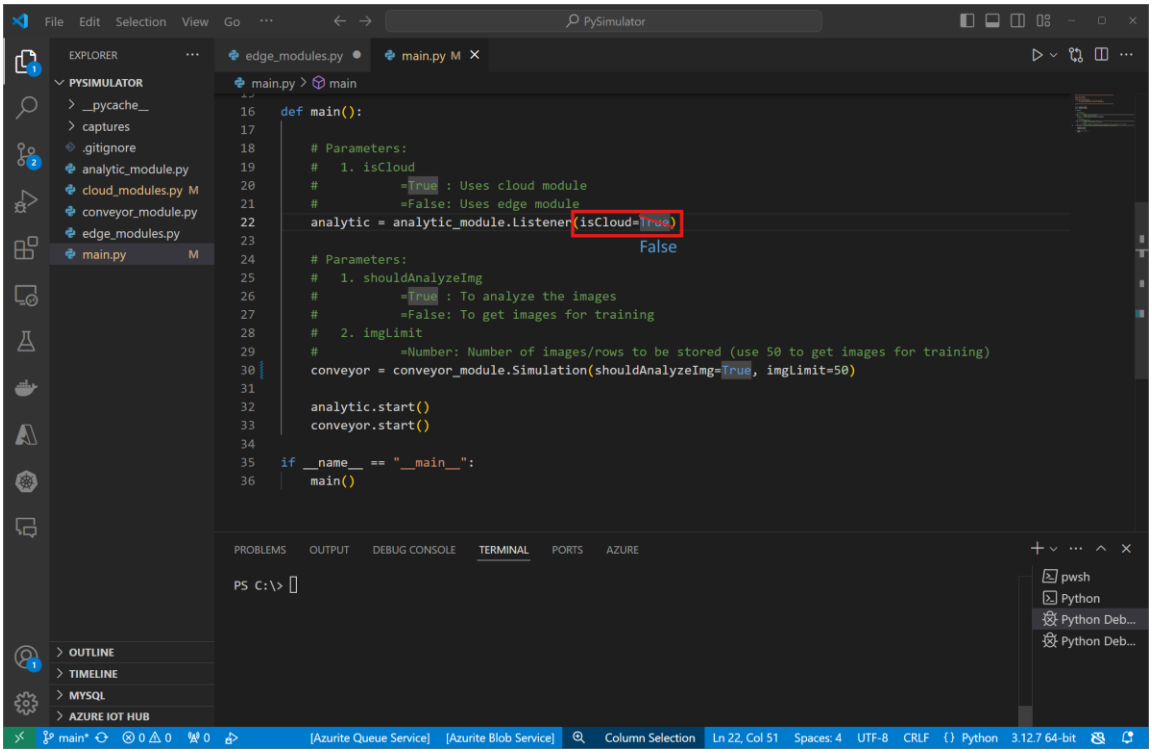

5. This is our edge IP address that we will be using with our Edge module

6. Go to the python code and open the “edge_module.py” and update “[EDGE URL]” with your IP address. E.g. if the IP address shows as 172.23.94.200, then the URL will be “http://172.23.94.200:80/image”. Update the same API key used in the cloud module above (Step-4.1)



7. Now set the isCLoud=True to False, in the “main.py” to run the edge module instead of the cloud module.



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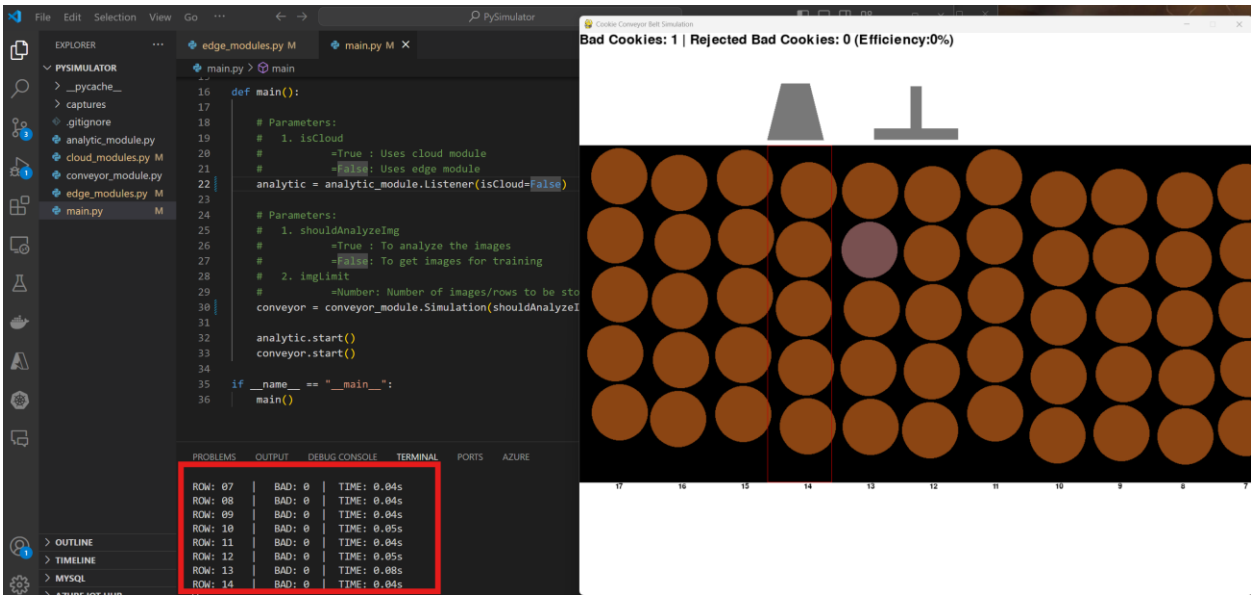

Step 7: Assignment

1. Create a PPT file in your OneDrive (like assignment 1) and capture the following 7 screen into 7 different slides and share it with me. The title slide should have your name and student Id. All the text should be clear. If you miss anything, you will get 0 marks.
    i. Customvision.ai portal screen showing the iterations and the precision
    ii. The tagged images screen in the customvision.ai portal
    iii. Output of the published prediction URL
    iv. Output of the docker container in running state
    v. cloud_module.py code update screen
    vi. edge_module.py code update screen
    vii. Screen shot of edge_module output in the terminal window along with the simulator running side-by-side