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# 1 Overview

This document guides users on how to quickly use RKNN-Toolkit2 and RKNPU2 tools on the EVB board of the ROCKCHIP chip to convert the yolov5s.onnx model to the yolov5s.rknn model and perform edge inference.

Supported platforms: RK3566, RK3568, RK3588, RK3588S, RK3562. In order to simplify the description, the follow-up instructions use RK3566\_RK3568 to represent the RK3566 or RK3568 platform.

RKNPU2 project download address: https://github.com/rockchip-linux/rknpu2

RKNN-Toolkit2 project download address: https://github.com/rockchip-linux/rknn-toolkit2

# 2 Prepare Tools

- 1. A computer with operating system Ubuntu18.04 / Ubuntu20.04 / Ubuntu22.04.
- 2. An EVB board (RK3566, RK3568, RK3588, RK3588S, RK3562).



RK3566



## RK3562



3. A data cable connecting the board to the computer.

RK3566\_RK3568:USB-A---Micro USB



RK3588/RK3562:USB-A-USB-C



4. A power adapter.

# RK3562/RK3566\_RK3568:output 12V-2A



RK3588:output 12V-3A



# 3 Quick Start Using RKNN-Toolkit2 and RKNPU2

#### 3.1 Install RKNN-Toolkit2

This chapter introduces two methods of installing and using RKNN-Toolkit2, 'installation via pip install' and 'installation via Docker image'. Users can choose the installation method themselves. If the system is not Ubuntu18.04/Ubuntu20.04/Ubuntu22.04 system, it is recommended to use the 'installation via Docker image' method, which has integrated all the required installation package dependencies.

The following operations use Ubuntu18.04 and Python3.6 as an example.

#### 3.1.1 Install and go through Docker images

- If the computer does not have the Docker tool installed, please follow this installation tutorial to install the Docker tool before proceeding to the next step (<u>https://mirrors.tuna.tsinghua.edu.cn/help/docker-ce/</u>).
- Open a terminal command line window, cd into the docker folder of the RKNN-Toolkit2 project, and modify the path in the cd command according to the save path of the project.
   cd <Enter the path of the docker folder in the RKNN-Toolkit2 project>

Command:

cd ~/Projects/rknn-toolkit2-1.x.x/docker/docker\_full ls

Check that there is a docker image file rknn-toolkit2-1.x.x-cp36-docker.tar.gz in the current directory.

3. Load the docker image.

docker load --input rknn-toolkit2-1.x.x-cp36-docker.tar.gz

4. View all current docker images.

Command:

docker images

It can be found that the REPOSITORY is rknn-toolkit2, and the TAG is 1.x.x-cp36, which means the loading is successful.

5. Run docker container.

Command:

docker run -t -i --privileged -v /dev/bus/usb:/dev/bus/usb \ -v ~/Projects/rknn-toolkit2-1.x.x/examples/onnx/yolov5 :/rknn\_yolov5\_demo \ rknn-toolkit2:1.x.x-cp36 /bin/bash

Mapping a directory into a Docker environment can be done by appending '-v <host src folder>:<image dst folder>'.

The green part is the examples/onnx/yolov5 local folder path in the RKNN-Toolkit2 project (modified according to the local path) mapped to the /rknn\_yolov5\_demo folder in the docker container.

After successfully entering the docker container, the command 'ls' can view the folder rknn\_yolov5\_demo, indicating that the mapping is successful.

6. Enter the rknn\_yolov5\_demo directory in the docker container.

Commadn:

cd rknn\_yolov5\_demo

7. Convert yolov5s\_relu.onnx to rknn model parallel inference image.

python3 ./test.py

	I rknn building
	I rknn buiding done.
	done
	> Export rknn model
	done
	> Init runtime environment
	W init_runtime: Target is None, use simulator!
	done
	> Running model
	W inference: The 'data_format' has not been set and defaults is nhwc!
	Analysing : 100% [
	Preparing : 100%
	W get_input_img: The dims of input(ndarray) shape (640, 640, 3) is wrong, expect dims is 4! Try expand dims to (1, 640, 640, 3)!
	done
	class: person, score: 0.884139358997345
	box coordinate left,top,right,down: [208.8534364104271, 244.4304337501526, 286.3236876130104, 506.7466902732849]
	class: person, score: 0.8676778078079224
	box coordinate left,top,right,down: [478.82631254196167, 236.96079683303833, 559.7779355049133, 528.6053652763367]
	class: person, score: 0.8246847987174988
	box coordinate left,top,right,down: [110.32201385498047, 238.8315395116806, 230.29569244384766, 534.2514072656631]
	class: person, score: 0.3394228219985962
	box coordinate left,top,right,down: [79.96397459506989, 353.70939338207245, 122.13020265102386, 516.948687672615]
ſ	class: bus , score: 0.7050552368164062
ſ	box coordinate left,top,right,down: [92.08940839767456, 128.53247582912445, 554.9980549812317, 467.08300268650055]

This script is run on the PC emulator, if you need to debug with the board, please refer to Chapter

#### <u>3.2</u>.

The conversion model and inference script test.py run successfully. The converted model is saved in the default path of examples/onnx/yolov5/yolov5s\_relu.rknn, and the inference image result is saved in examples/onnx/yolov5/result.jpg.



#### 3.1.2 Install and reason through pip install

1. Open a terminal command line window, install Python3.6 and pip3.

Command:

sudo apt-get install python3 python3-dev python3-pip

2. Install required dependent packages.

Command:

sudo apt-get install libxslt1-dev zlib1g-dev libglib2.0 libsm6 \ libgl1-mesa-glx libprotobuf-dev gcc

3. Enter the Toolkit2 project folder, and modify the path in the cd command according to the project

save path.

cd <Enter the path of the Toolkit2 project>

Command:

cd ~/rknn-toolkit2-1.x.x

4. Install the necessary corresponding versions of the dependent packages.

Command:

pip3 install -r doc/requirements\_cp36-1.x.x.txt

PS:

1) If the error 'XX version cannot be matched' occurs during the installation process, it may be caused by the pip version being too low. You can execute the following upgrade pip version command first, upgrade pip to version 21.3.1, and then execute the above installation command again.

python3 -m pip install --upgrade pip

5. Install RKNN-Toolkit2 (Python3.6 for x86\_64).

Command:

```
pip3 install \
package/rknn_toolkit2-1.x.x+xxxxxx-cp36-cp36m-linux_x86_64.whl
```

6. Check whether RKNN-Toolkit2 is installed successfully.

Command:

python3 from rknn.api import RKNN

```
Python 3.6.9 (default, Dec 8 2021, 21:08:43)
[GCC 8.4.0] on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> from rknn.api import RKNN
>>>
```

If there are no errors, the installation is successful. Press and hold Ctrl+D to exit Python3.

7. cd into rknn-toolkit2-1.x.x/examples/onnx/yolov5 contents.

cd examples/onnx/yolov5

8. Convert yolov5s relu.onnx to rknn model and run model inference picture.

Command:

python3 test.py



This script is run on the PC emulator, if you need to debug with the board, please refer to Chapter

<u>3.2</u>.

The conversion model and inference script test.py run successfully. The converted model is saved in the default path of examples/onnx/yolov5/yolov5s\_relu.rknn, and the inference image result is saved in examples/onnx/yolov5/result.jpg.



## 3.2 RKNN-Toolkit2 Continuous Debugging

Both the conversion and inference models through 3.1.1 and 3.1.2 are run in the simulator environment on the PC side, and the target and device\_id in the script can be set for continuous debugging. This chapter takes RK3566 as an example to illustrate.

#### 3.2.1 Connect the board to the computer

1. Connect the power supply of the RK3566 EVB board according to the interface in the figure,

connect the data cable to the computer, and turn on the power switch.



2. View board equipment.

Command:



```
root@9e5c8ee3530b:/# adb devices
List of devices attached
* daemon not running; starting now at tcp:5037
* daemon started successfully
DKUZ8B0PAB device
```

Check that the ID of the RK3566 device is DKUZ8B0PAB, and the connection is successful. If

no device is displayed, please refer to <u>Appendix 5.2</u>.

#### 3.2.2 Update the rknn\_server and librknnrt.so of the board

librknnrt.so: is a board-side runtime library.

rknn\_server: It is a background proxy service running on the board, which is used to receive the protocol transmitted by the PC through USB, then execute the interface corresponding to the board runtime, and return the result to the PC.

For details, please refer to the detailed description of rknpu2/rknn\_server\_proxy.md.

The following is an example of RK3566\_RK3568 Android 64-bit platform.

1) Open a terminal command window and enter the RKNPU2 project directory.

cd ~/Projects/rknpu2

xdc@xdc-HP-ProDesk-480-G7-PCI-Microtower-PC:~\$ cd ~/Projects/rknpu2 xdc@xdc-HP-ProDesk-480-G7-PCI-Microtower-PC:<mark>~/Projects/rknpu2</mark>\$ ls doc examples LICENSE README.md rknn\_server\_proxy.md runtime 2) Update the rknn server and librknnrt.so of the board.

Command:



adb shell su setenforce 0 pgrep rknn\_server

les/onnx/yol	Lov5\$ adb s	hell
rk3566_r:/ \$	\$ pgrep rkr	n_server
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If found that there was a rknn\_server process id, and the update is successful.

#### 3.2.3 Continuous Debugging

1) View device ID command adb devices.



It can be seen that the ID of the RK3566 device in this example is DKUZ8B0PAB. If no device is displayed, please refer to <u>Appendix 5.2</u>.

2) Modify script target and device\_id.

Modify the corresponding platform type value ('rk3566', 'rk3568', 'rk3588', 'rv1103', 'rv1106', 'rk3562') and device ID, save and then execute the script to generate a model suitable for the board and perform inference pictures. In this example, the rk3566 platform board is used for inference.

# Create RKNN object	
rknn = RKNN(verbose=True)	
rknn.config(mean_values=[[0, 0, 0]], std_values=[[255, 255, 255]],	target_platform='rk3566')
# Load model	
<pre>print('&gt; Loading model')</pre>	
ret = rknn.load_onnx(MODEL_PATH)	
# init runtime environment	
<pre>print('&gt; Init runtime_environment')</pre>	
<pre>ret = rknn.init_runtime(target='rk3566', device_id='DKUZ8B0PAB')</pre>	
if ret != 0:	
<pre>print('Init runtime environment failed')</pre>	
exit(ret)	
<pre>print('done')</pre>	

3) The 'test.py' script that performs the transformation and inference of the model:

python3 test.py

## 3.3 How to compile and use RKNPU2

This chapter utilize rknn\_yolov5\_demo running on RK3566 Android 64-bit platform as an example to introduce how to use RKNPU2.

#### 3.3.1 Download the tools required for compilation

After the download is complete, decompress without installation, and record the absolute path of

the folder.

1) If the board is an Android system, NDK is required, download link:

https://github.com/android/ndk/wiki/Unsupported-Downloads#ndk-17c-downloads

Scroll down to find the Android NDK r23 (recommended version) package for Linux 64-

bit (x86).

#### r23c

r23 Changelog

android {
 ndkVersion "23.2.8568313"
}

Platform	Package	Size (Bytes)	SHA1 Checksum
Windows	android-ndk-r23c-windows.zip	788336993	f2c5def76a9de371f27d028864fe301ab4fe0cf8
macOS	android-ndk-r23c-darwin.dmg	1542594243	da6f63d3eef041e1cceca449461c6d9148e879b7
Linux	android-ndk-r23c-linux.zip	724733960	e5053c126a47e84726d9f7173a04686a71f9a67a

2) If the board is a linux system, you need to download the gcc cross compiler. Recommended version gcc-9.3.0-x86\_64\_arrch64-linux-gnu, download address: <u>https://github.com/airockchip/gcc-buildroot-9.3.0-2020.03-x86\_64\_aarch64-rockchip-linux-gnu</u>

#### 3.3.2 Modify the compilation tool path of examples/rknn\_yolov5\_demo/build-XXX.sh



1) Android System

Modify the ANDROID\_NDK\_PATH in the build-android\_RK3566\_RK3568.sh script to

the save path of the local computer android-ndk-r17c and save it.



2) Linux System

Modify TOOL\_CHAIN to your own full path of the gcc-9.3.0-x86\_64\_arrch64-linux-gnu and save.



#### 3.3.3 Update RKNN Model

Copy the converted RK3566 platform model yolov5s-640-640.rknn in Chapter 3.2 to the rknpu2/examples/rknn\_yolov5\_demo/model/RK3566\_RK3568/ directory.

#### 3.3.4 Compile rknn\_yolov5\_demo

1) Enter the rknn yolov5 demo folder in the terminal command window.

Command:

PROBLEMS OUTPUT TERMINAL DEBUG CONSOLE xdc@xdc-HP-ProDesk-480-G7-PCI-Microtower-PC:~/Projects/rknpu2\$ cd examples/rknn\_yolov5\_demo/ xdc@xdc-HP-ProDesk-480-G7-PCI-Microtower-PC:~/Projects/rknpu2/examples/rknn\_yolov5\_demo\$ []

2) Run the build-android\_RK3566\_RK3568.sh script to compile the program.

Command:

./build-android\_RK3566\_RK3568.sh

cd examples/rknn yolov5 demo/

PROBLEMS OUTPUT TERMINAL DEBUG CONSOLE
xdc@xdc-HP-ProDesk-480-G7-PCI-Microtower-PC:~/Projects/rknpu2/examples/rknn yolov5 demo\$ ./build-android RK356X.sh
Configuring done
Generating done
Build files have been written to: /home/xdc/Projects/rknpu2/examples/rknn volov5 demo/build/build android v8a
[100%] Built target rknn volov5 demo
100% Built target rknn volov5 demo
Install the project
Install configuration: "Release"
Up-to-date: /home/xdc/Projects/rknpu2/examples/rknn yolov5 demo/install/rknn yolov5 demo Android/./rknn yolov5 demo
Up-to-date: /home/xdc/Projects/rknpu2/examples/rknn yolov5 demo/install/rknn yolov5 demo Android/lib/librknnrt.so
Up-to-date: /home/xdc/Projects/rknpu2/examples/rknn yolov5 demo/install/rknn yolov5 demo Android/.//model
Up-to-date: /home/xdc/Projects/rknpu2/examples/rknn yolov5 demo/install/rknn yolov5 demo Android/.//model/RK356X
Up-to-date: /home/xdc/Projects/rknpu2/examples/rknn_yolov5_demo/install/rknn_yolov5_demo_Android/.//model/RK356X/yolov5s-640-640.rknn
Up-to-date: /home/xdc/Projects/rknpu2/examples/rknn yolov5 demo/install/rknn yolov5 demo Android/.//model/coco 80 labels list.txt
Up-to-date: /home/xdc/Projects/rknpu2/examples/rknn_yolov5_demo/install/rknn_yolov5_demo_Android/.//model/bus.jpg
Up-to-date: /home/xdc/Projects/rknpu2/examples/rknn_yolov5_demo/install/rknn_yolov5_demo_Android/.//model/RK3588
Up-to-date: /home/xdc/Projects/rknpu2/examples/rknn_yolov5_demo/install/rknn_yolov5_demo_Android/.//model/RK3588/yolov5s-640-640.rknn

Note:

- This example compiles RK3566\_RK3568 for Android 64-bit platform. If you need to compile other platforms, please select the corresponding script. For details, please refer to /rknpu2/examples/rknn\_yolov5\_demo/README.md.
- 2) If a cmake error occurs during compilation, you can execute the following command to

install cmake and then run the compilation script.

sudo apt install cmake

#### 3.3.5 Run rknn\_yolov5\_demo on the board

1) Upload the compiled program and the required files install/rknn\_yolov5\_demo\_Android folder

to the /data/ folder of the board.

Command:

adb root adb push install/rknn\_yolov5\_demo\_Android /data/

ic@xdc-HP-ProDesk-480-67-PCI-Microtower-PC:~/Projects/rknpu2/examples/rknn\_yolov5\_demo\$ adb push install/rknn\_yolov5\_demo\_Android /data, stall/rknn yolov5\_demo\_Android/: 6 files pushed. 32.5 MB/s (30752067 bytes in 0.902s)

2) Enter the board system.

Command:

adb shell

xdc@xdc-HP-ProDesk-480-G7-PCI-Microtower-PC:~\$ adb shell rk3566\_r:/ #

3) cd enter the directory where the program is located.

#### Command:

cd /data/rknn\_yolov5\_demo\_Android/

rk3566\_r:/ # cd /data/rknn\_yolov5\_demo\_Android/ rk3566\_r:/data/rknn\_yolov5\_demo\_Android # ls lib model rknn\_yolov5\_demo

4) Set library file path.

Command:

export LD\_LIBRARY\_PATH=./lib

5) Run the program to identify the category of the object in the corresponding picture.

Usage: ./rknn yolov5 demo <rknn model> <jpg>

Command:

./rknn\_yolov5\_demo ./model/RK3566\_RK3568/yolov5s-640-640.rknn ./model/bus.jpg



 Open a new terminal window and download the result image out.jpg to your local computer for viewing.

Command:

adb pull /data/rknn\_yolov5\_demo\_Android/out.jpg ./

xdc@xdc-HP-ProDesk-480-G7-PCI-Microtower-PC:~/Pictures\$ adb pull /data/rknn\_yolov5\_demo\_Android/out.jpg ./ /data/rknn\_yolov5\_demo\_Android/out.jpg: 1 file pulled. 25.2 MB/s (189698 bytes in 0.007s)



# **4** Reference Documents

For more detailed usage and description of RKNN-Toolkit2, please refer to 'Rockchip\_User\_Guide\_RKNN\_Toolkit2\_CN.pdf' manual.

For more detailed usage and description of RKNPU API, please refer to 'Rockchip\_RKNPU\_User\_Guide\_RKNN\_API\_CN.pdf' manual.

# 5 Appendix

# 5.1 View and set the CPU, DDR and NPU frequency of the development board

Usually, the frequency of each unit on the board is dynamically tuned. In this case, the performance of the tested model will fluctuate. In order to prevent inconsistent performance test results, it is recommended to fix the frequency of the relevant units on the board before testing during performance evaluation. The frequency viewing and setting commands of related units are as follows:

#### 5.1.1 CPU fix frequency command

1) View CPU frequency:

cat /sys/devices/system/cpu/cpufreq/scaling\_cur\_freq

2) Fixed CPU frequency:

# Check the CPU available frequency (the available frequency displayed by different platforms will be different)

cat /sys/devices/system/cpu/cpufreq/policy0/scaling\_available\_frequencies 408000 600000 816000 1008000 1200000 1416000 1608000 1704000 # Set the CPU frequency, for example, set 1.7GHz echo userspace > /sys/devices/system/cpu/cpufreq/policy0/scaling\_governor echo 1704000 > /sys/devices/system/cpu/cpufreq/policy0/scaling\_setspeed

#### 5.1.2 DDR fix frequency command

1) View DDR frequency (requires firmware support):

```
cat /sys/class/devfreq/dmc/cur_freq
or
cat /sys/kernel/debug/clk/clk_summary | grep ddr
```

2) Fixed DDR frequency (requires firmware support):

# View DDR available frequencies cat /sys/class/devfreq/dmc/available\_frequencies # Set the DDR frequency, for example, set 1560MHz echo userspace > /sys/class/devfreq/dmc/governor echo 1560000000 > /sys/class/devfreq/dmc/userspace/set\_freq

#### 5.1.3 NPU fix frequency command

1) View NPU frequency (requires firmware support):

For RK3566 RK3568:

cat /sys/kernel/debug/clk/clk\_summary | grep npu or cat /sys/class/devfreq/fde40000.npu/cur freq

For RK3588:

cat /sys/kernel/debug/clk/clk\_summary | grep clk\_npu\_dsu0

For RK3562:

cat /sys/class/devfreq/ff300000.npu/cur\_freq

2) Fixed NPU frequency (requires firmware support):

For RK3566 RK3568:

# View NPU available frequency cat /sys/class/devfreq/fde40000.npu/available\_frequencies # Set the NPU frequency, for example, set 1 GHz echo userspace > /sys/class/devfreq/fde40000.npu/governor echo 1000000000 > /sys/kernel/debug/clk/clk scmi npu/clk rate

For RK3588:

# Set the NPU frequency, for example, set 1GHz echo 1000000000 > /sys/kernel/debug/clk/clk\_npu\_dsu0/clk\_rate

#### For RK3562:

# View NPU available frequency cat /sys/class/devfreq/ff300000.npu/available\_frequencies # Set the NPU frequency, for example, set 600MHz echo userspace > /sys/class/devfreq/ff300000.npu/governor echo 600000000 > /sys/class/devfreq/ff300000.npu/userspace/set freq

### 5.2 The command adb devices cannot see the device

- 1. Check whether the connection is correct, re-plug or replace the USB port of the computer.
- 2. When using a USB-connected board in a local computer and a docker container, only one end can

use the adb server at a time. Therefore, if you cannot see the device when executing the command

(adb devices) at one end, you can execute the command at the other command end.

#### adb kill-server

Terminate the external adb service, and then return to the original command terminal window to

execute the command (adb devices) to view the device.

3. When the following error occurs, adb is not installed. You need to execute the installation command to install adb.



Command:

sudo apt install adb