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How to Use Time Series Studio to Deploy Anomaly Detection Model based on MCXA156

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Abstract	This application note illustrates the process of using eIQ Time Series Studio to train and deploy an anomaly detection model based on the FRDM-MCXA156.



1 Introduction

This document illustrates the process of using eIQ Time Series Studio to train and deploy an anomaly detection model based on the FRDM-MCXA156. eIQ Time Series Studio is an end-to-end Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) development tool that reduces the complexity and development time of time series-based AI models. Moreover, there is a demonstration titled “TSS Powered on-device learning Fan Anomaly based on MCXA156” available in the application code hub. This demonstration example senses the operating status of the fan through the acceleration sensor mounted on the fan. To determine any abnormal operating status of the fan, the demonstration example uses the model trained by Time Series Studio (TSS). Also, the example supports the data capture function, which can provide training data for the TSS tool.

2 Time Series Studio

Time Series Studio IDE provides an end-to-end solution enabling engineers to develop time series-based machine learning solutions from initial evaluation to final production.

The IDE offers:

- time series data logging
- data visualization
- data smart analysis
- automatic machine learning optimization
- model emulation
- library generation for the deployment

The following diagram illustrates the complete workflow.

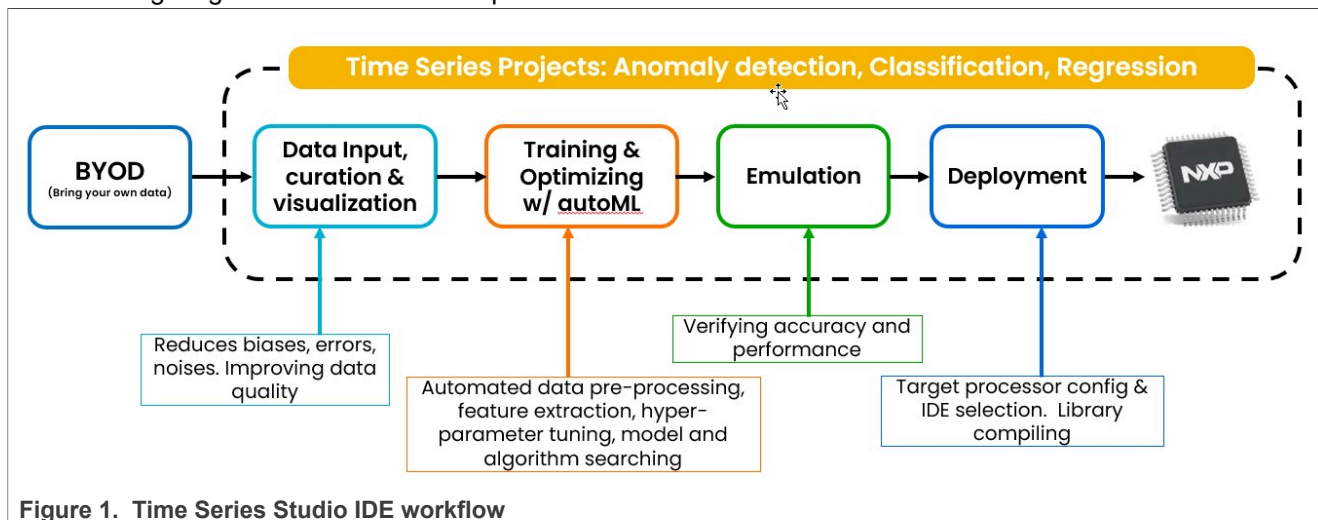


Figure 1. Time Series Studio IDE workflow

- It supports time series dataset input, which the customer completely owns.
- From the dataset input, it automatically trains out the best model list.
- Generate the algorithm header file and runtime library by selected CPU core.

3 Prepare the hardware

The following are the hardware requirements:

- Main board: [FRDM-MCXA156](#)
- LCD panel: [PAR-LCD-S035](#)

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- Accelerator sensor: [ACCEL-4-Click](#)
- Type-C USB cable
- USB fan

1. Connect the LCD panel to the FRDM board.

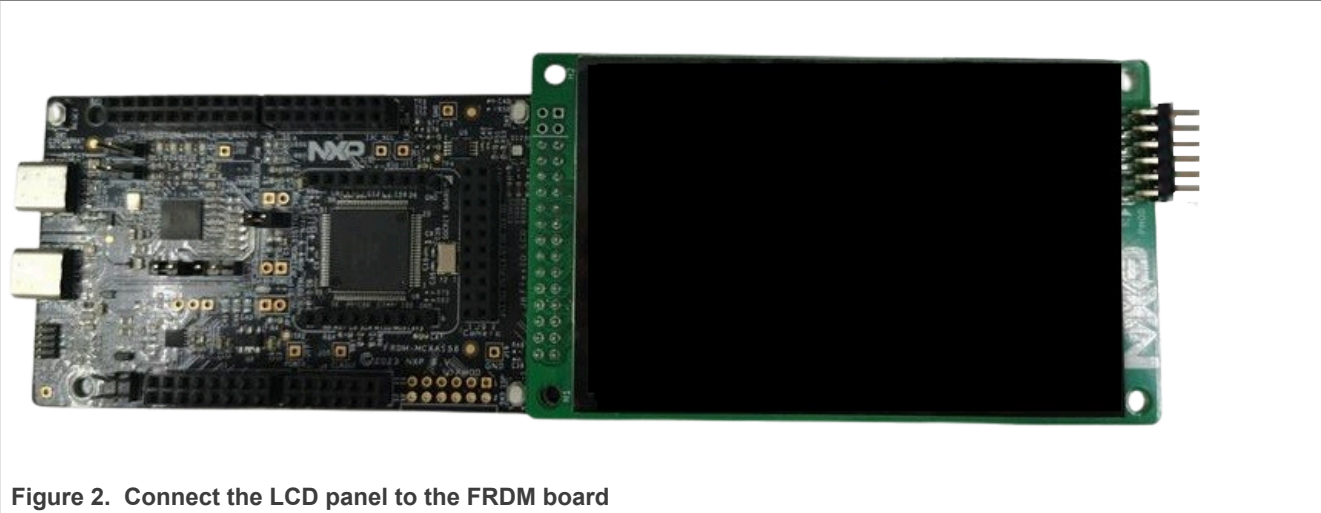


Figure 2. Connect the LCD panel to the FRDM board

2. Connect the Accelerator sensor with FRDM

Sensor connection

FRDM Mikro Bus	Accel 4 click
J6-7	3V3
J6-8	GND
J5-5	SCL
J5-6	SDA
J5-2	INT1

Figure 3. Connect the accelerator sensor with FRDM

3. Mount the accelerator sensor on the FAN.



Figure 4. Mount the accelerator sensor on the FAN

The complete hardware connection appears as in the following figure.



Figure 5. Complete hardware connection

4 Install the software

1. Download and install [eIQ ToolKit 1.13.1](#). After successful installation, the IDE appears as in the following figure.

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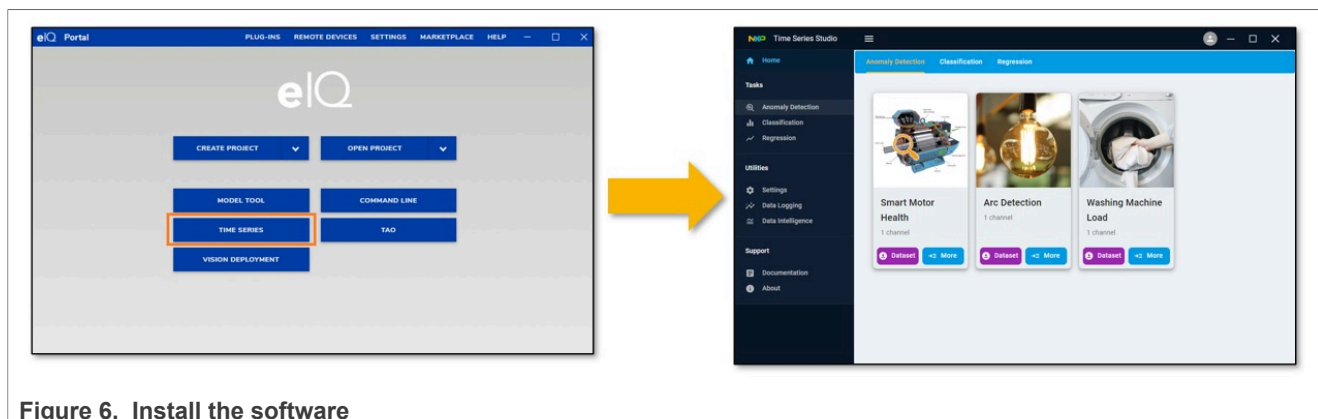


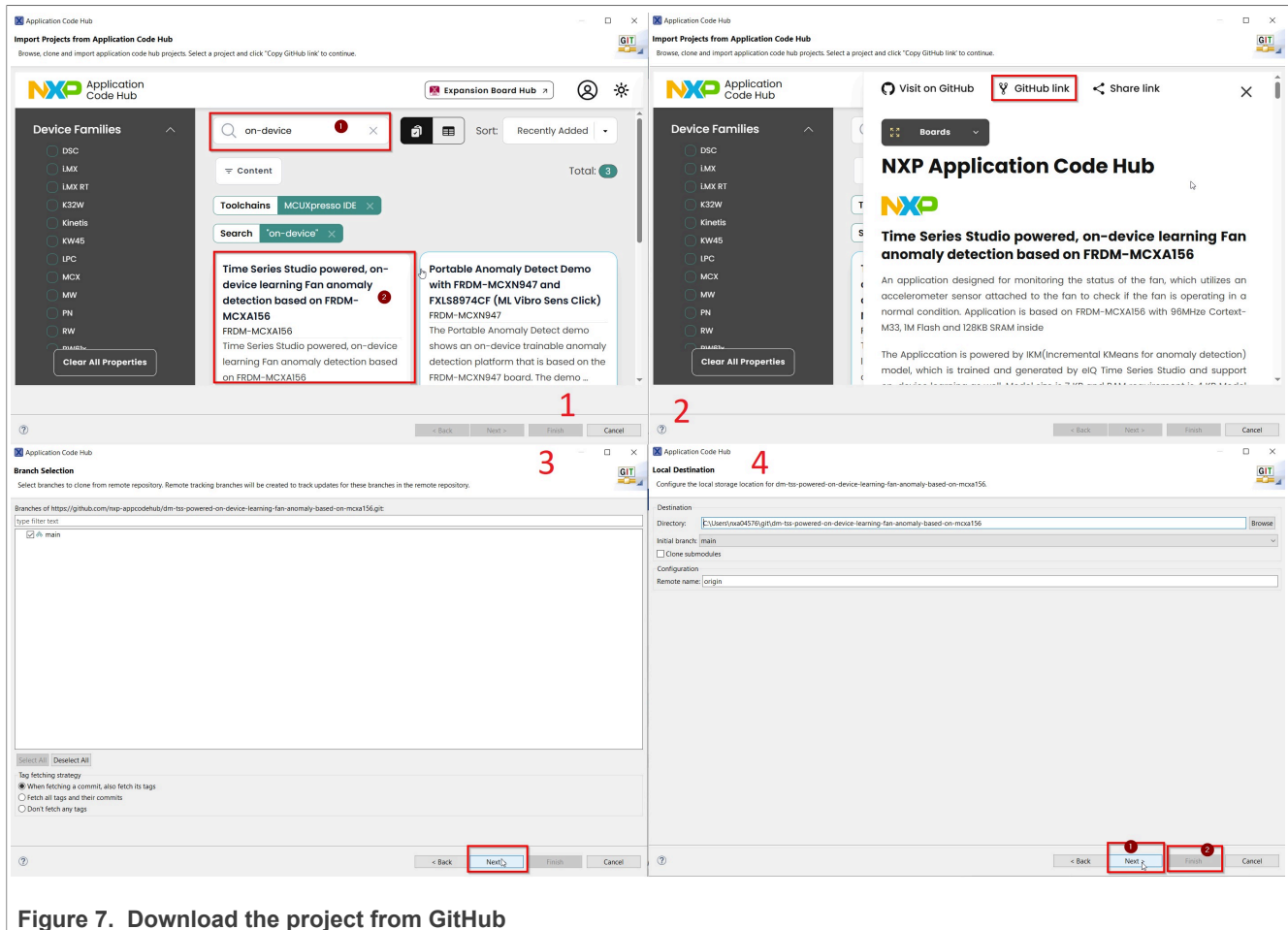
Figure 6. Install the software

2. Download and install [MCUXpresso V11.9.0](#) or later.
3. Download and install [SDK_2_16_0_FRDM-MCXA156](#) from the SDK builder.

5 Set up the demo

1. Open MCUXpresso from the Quickstart panel.
2. To import the mode project, click **Import from Application Code Hub**.
3. Type 'dm-tss-powered-on-device-learning-fan-anomaly-based-on-mcxa156' in the searching text box, the project appears in the list.
4. Click the project.
The project page appears in the window.
5. Click the **GitHub** link on the top of the window.
The repository of the project is stored
6. Click the **Next** button at the bottom and download the project from GitHub.

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7. Connect the debug port of the FRDM board with your laptop,
8. Compile the project and download to the board.
9. After the download, completely reset the board.

6 Create a dataset

To create a dataset:

1. Click the **Data Collect** button on the device.
2. Open the **Data Collector** window.
The UART generates the data of the accelerated sensor with the baud rate at 230400.
3. To open the data logger on your laptop, navigate to the folder `scripts` of the source code, execute the script `python make_live_ts_dataset.py` in the command line.
The **Dataset Maker** window appears as in the following figure.

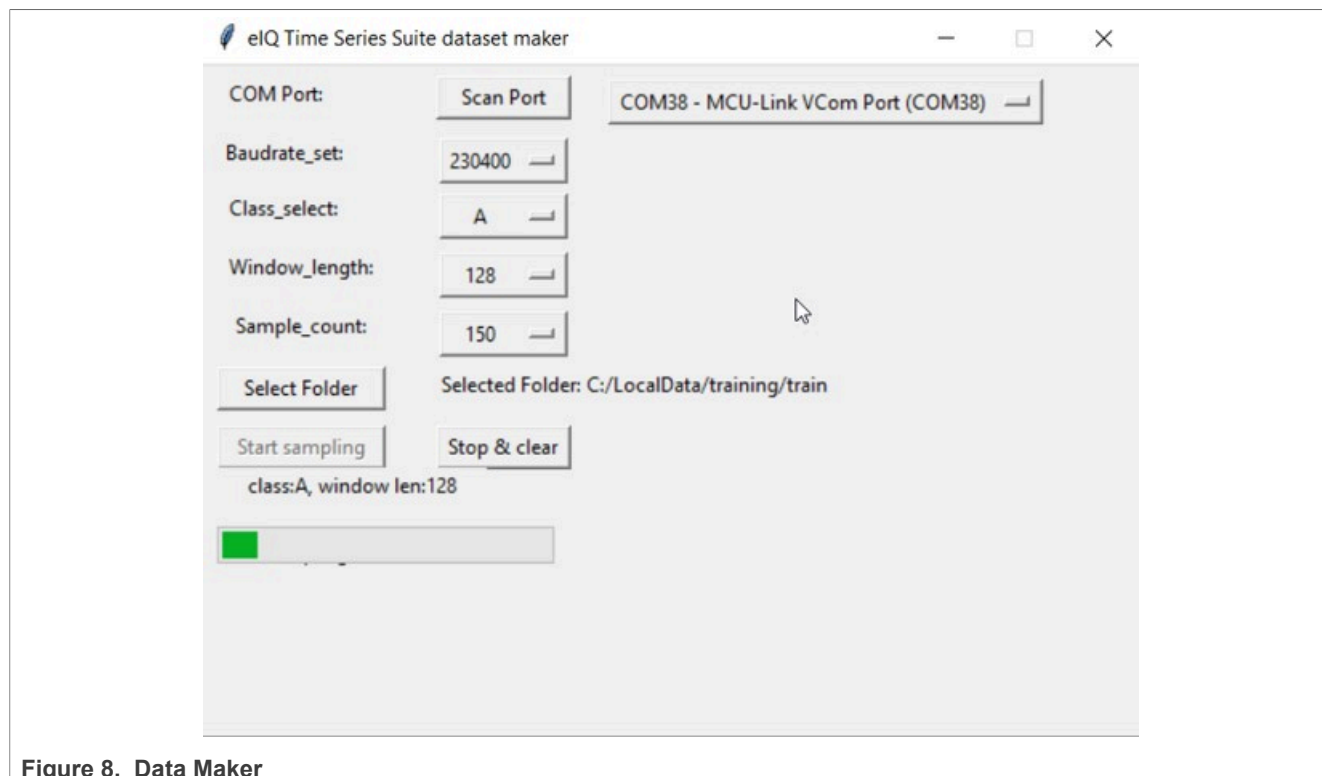


Figure 8. Data Maker

4. Connect the debug port of the FRDM board with the laptop.
5. Select the com port and set the baud rate to 230400.
6. Receiving and save the data files for train and validate data sets.
7. Create training sets.
Select the folder and store the train sets.
 - a. Turn on the fan.
 - b. Set class to A, window length to 128, and sample count to 150.
 - c. Click the **Start sampling** button.
 - d. Wait for the progress bar to stop at the end.
 - e. Click the **Stop & clear** button.
 - f. Switch the fan speed to mid.
 - g. Click the **Start sampling** button.
 - h. Wait for the progress bar stop at the end.
 - i. Click the **Stop & clear** button.
 - j. Switch the fan speed to fast.
 - k. Click the **Start sampling** button.
 - l. Wait for the progress bar stop at the end.
 - m. Click the **Stop & clear** button.
 - n. Turn off the fan.
 - o. Set class to B.
 - p. Click the **Start sampling** button.
 - q. Wait for the progress bar to stop at the end.
 - r. Click the **Stop & clear** button.
8. Create validation sets.
Select the folder and store the validated sets.
 - a. Turn on the fan.

- b. Set class to A, window length to 128, and sample count to 50.
- c. Click the **Start sampling** button.
- d. Wait for the progress bar to stop at the end.
- e. Click the **Stop & clear** button.
- f. Switch the fan speed to mid.
- g. Click the **Start sampling** button.
- h. Wait for the progress bar stop at the end.
- i. Click the **Stop & clear** button.
- j. Switch the fan speed to fast.
- k. Click the **Start sampling** button.
- l. Wait for the progress bar stop at the end.
- m. Click the **Stop & clear** button.
- n. Turn off the fan.
- o. Set class to B.
- p. Click the **Start sampling** button.
- q. Wait for the progress bar to stop at the end.
- r. Click the **Stop & clear** button.

7 Train the model

To train the model:

1. Open the eIQ Time Series Studio IDE.
2. Select **Anomaly Detection** under **Tasks**.
3. Create a project.
4. Select FRDM-MCXA153 in your target,
5. Set the **Number of channels** to 3, as in the following figure.

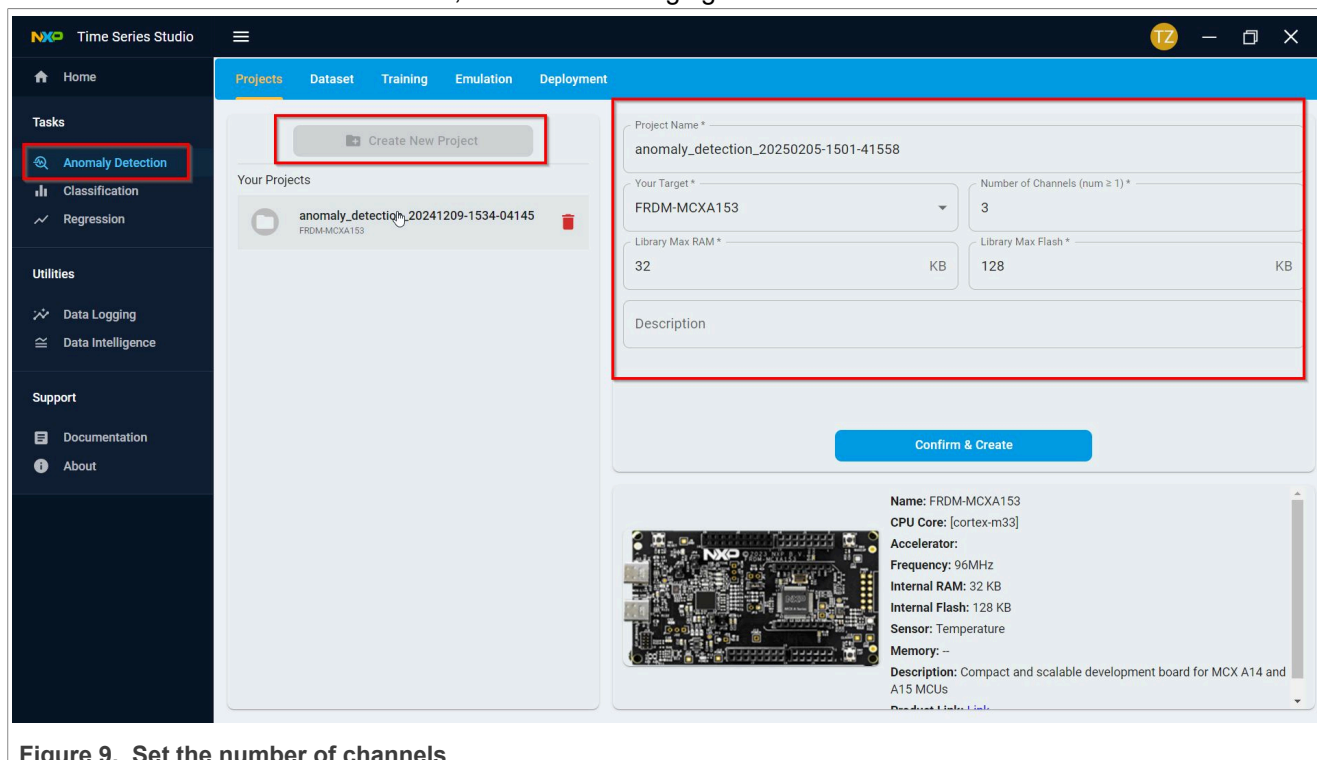


Figure 9. Set the number of channels

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6. Click **Save & Next** and open the **Dataset** window.
7. Click **Normal Data**.
8. Select all the A_*.csv files from the train folder.
9. Click **Load Anomaly Data**.
10. Select the B_*.csv file from the train folder, shown in the following figure.
In this window, you can see the visualization of the data and can view the data in different ways.

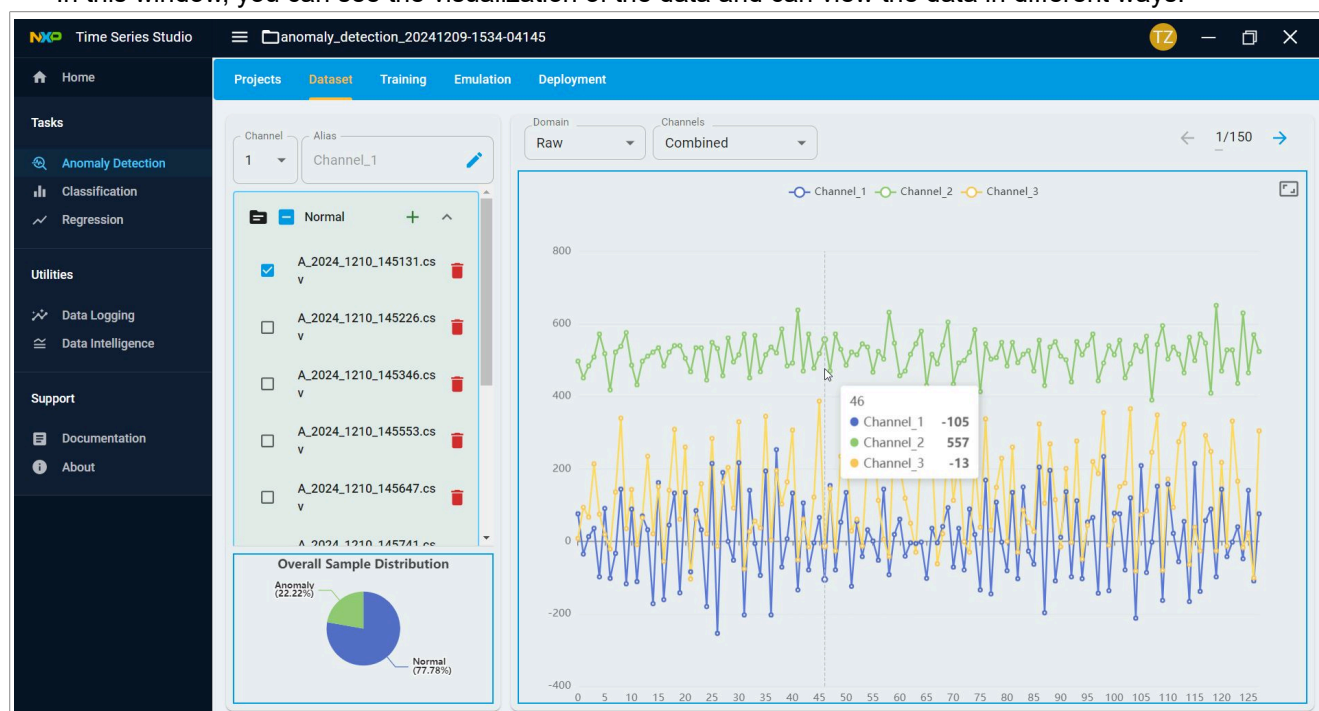


Figure 10. Create validation sets

11. Click the **Training** window.
12. Click the **Start New Training** button and start the model train.
13. If you want to enable the on-device learning feature, then turn on the switch of On-Device Learn. Supports quick search also.
14. After the training completes, accuracy, flash, RAM size, and confusion matrix appears for each model created. You can sort the models by accuracy, or by flash/RAM size.

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Figure 11. Training information

8 Emulate the model

To emulate the model:

1. Click into the **Emulation** window.
2. Select the models that you want to emulate.
3. Click the **New Emulation** button.
A pop-up window appears.
4. Select the **normal and anomaly data** from the **Validate** folder.
After emulation, the complete result appears in the report window as in the following figure.

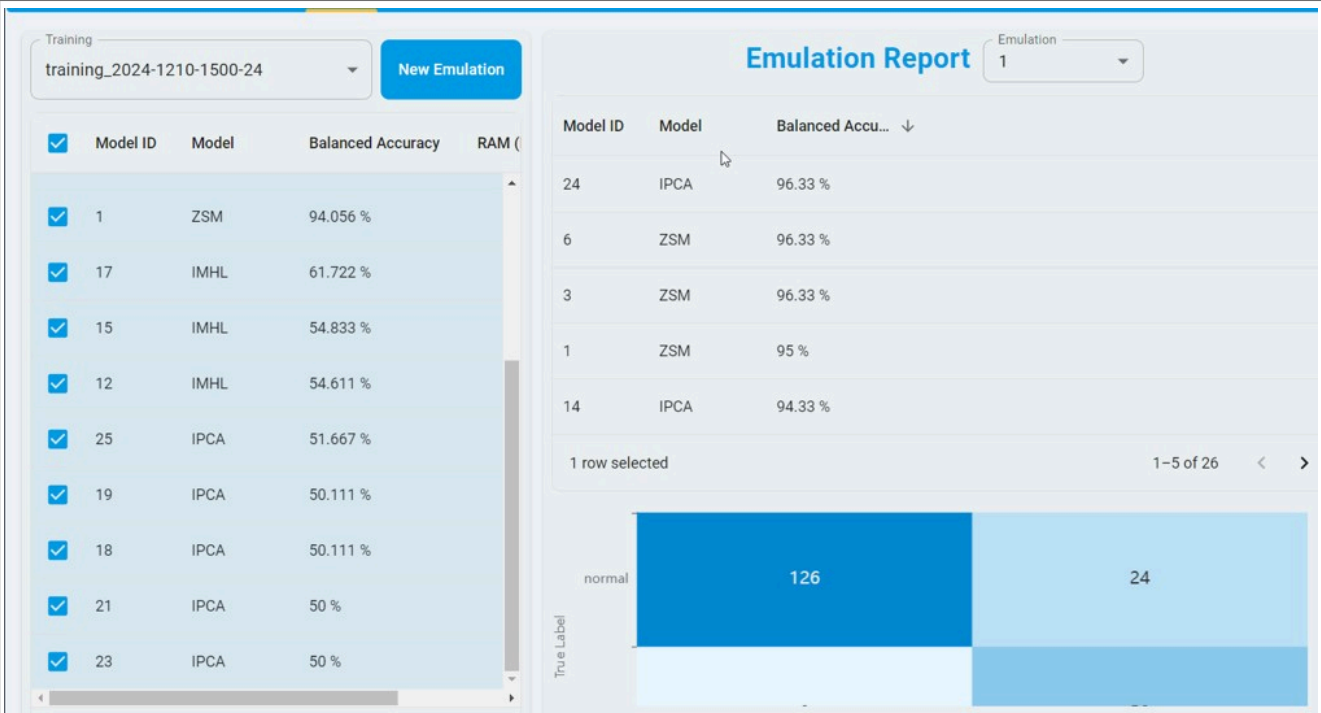


Figure 12. Emulation report

9 Deploy the model

To deploy the model:

1. Click in the **Deployment** window.
2. Select the best performance model.
The example code of the model library appears in the right side, as shown in the following figure.

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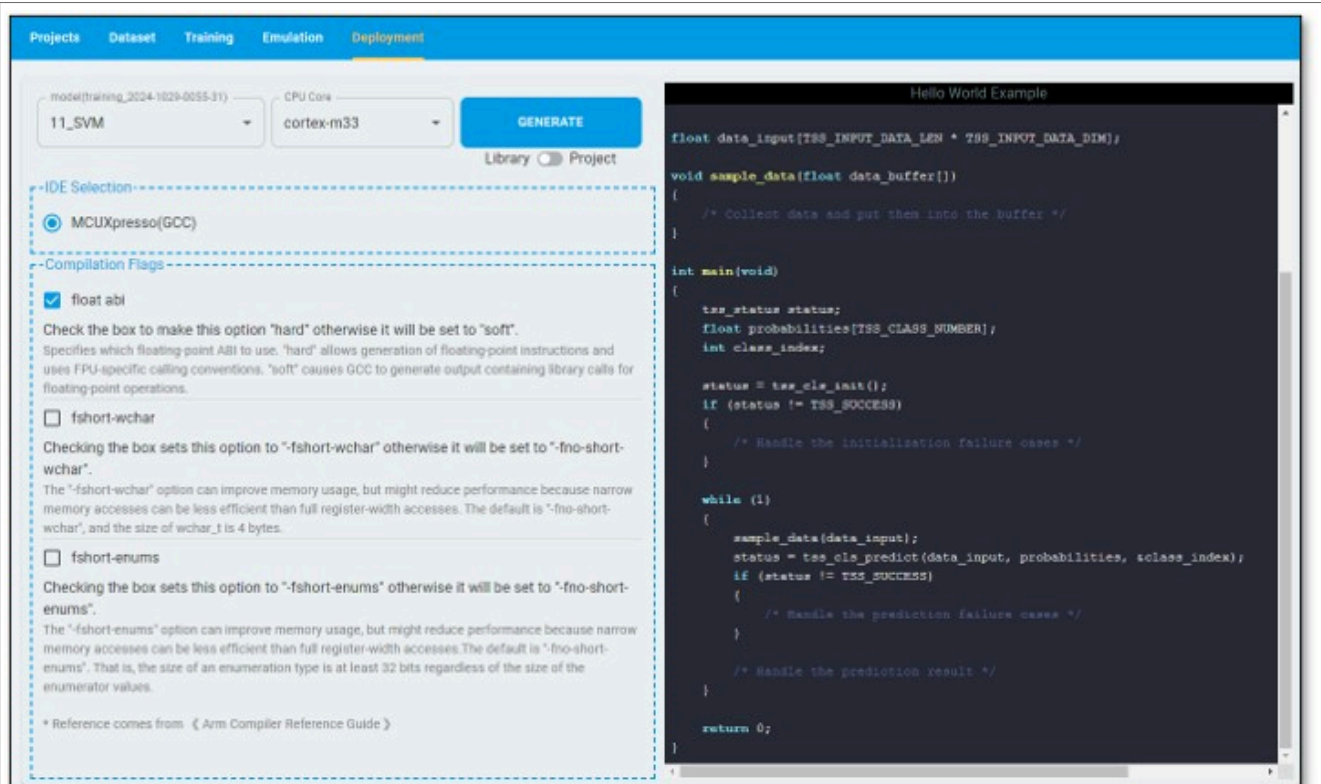


Figure 13. Example code of the model library

3. Click the **GENERATE** button.
4. Save the library zip file that contains the following four files.





 algorithm.dat	9/4/2024 8:25 AM	DAT	35 KB
 libtss.a	9/4/2024 8:25 AM	A File	10 KB
 metadata.json	9/4/2024 8:25 AM	JSON Source File	1 KB
 TimeSeries.h	9/4/2024 8:25 AM	H File	3 KB

Figure 14. Files in the library zip file

- **algorithm.dat**: This encrypted file contains the algorithm details. NXP cloud server can parse and generate the source code.
 - **TimeSeries.h**: This file is the API header for the `libtss.a`. The developer uses it for algorithm integration.
 - **libtss.a**: This file is the core algorithm library. The developer uses it for algorithm integration.
 - **metadata.json**: This file includes the meta description for the generated algorithm. It contains key information like compiler type, task type, input dataset and platform information, and also contains the minimum memory size as a reference.
5. Unzip the file and copy them into the `source\tss` of the project.
 6. Compile and download the file onto the board.

10 Result

After flashing the board, reset the board, and the result appears on the LCD screen. Turn on the fan a switch from low speed to fast speed, the status of the fan must be normal as shown in the following figure.

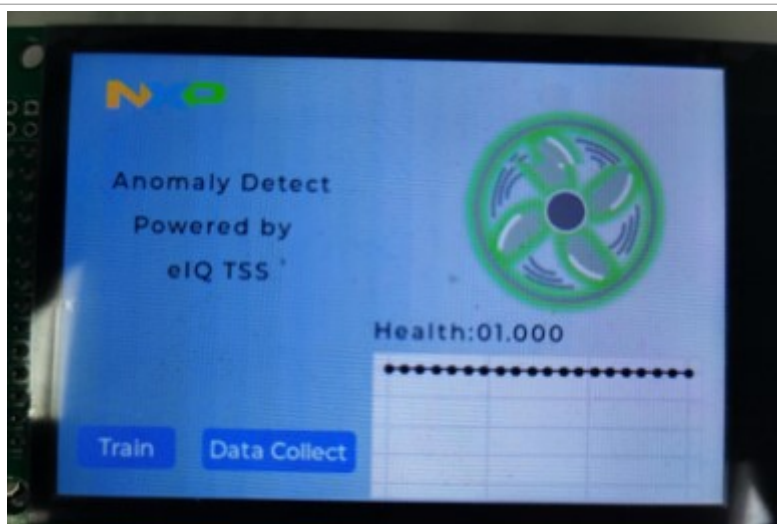


Figure 15. Status of the fan

10.1 Anomaly use case

- Knocking on the fan, detects an anomaly.
- Disrupting the operation of the fan blades, detects an anomaly.
- Turning off the Fan, detects an anomaly.

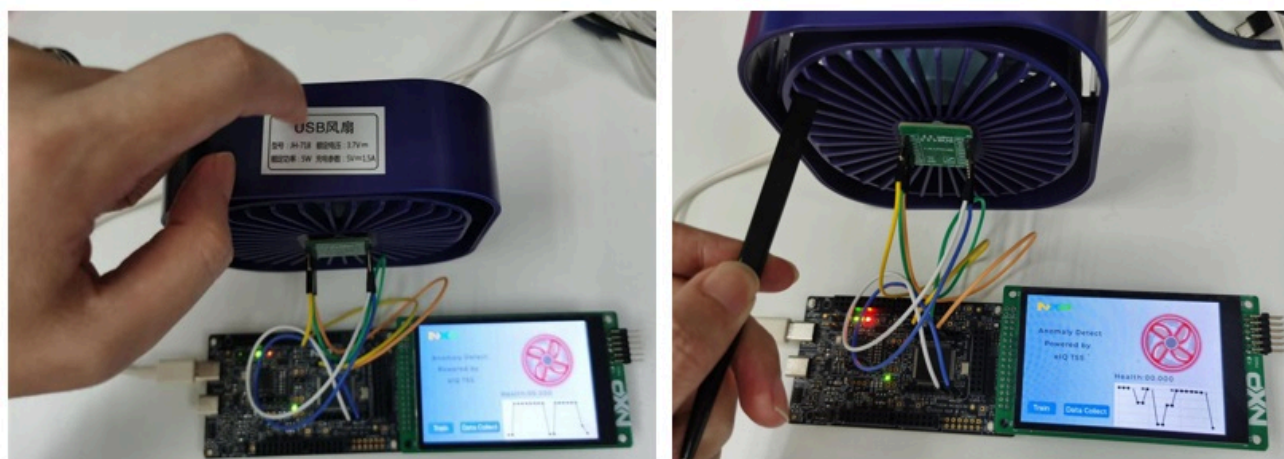


Figure 16. Figure 16

10.2 On-device learn

Adjust the mounting angle of the accelerator sensor. Notice that sometimes the sensor detects an anomaly.

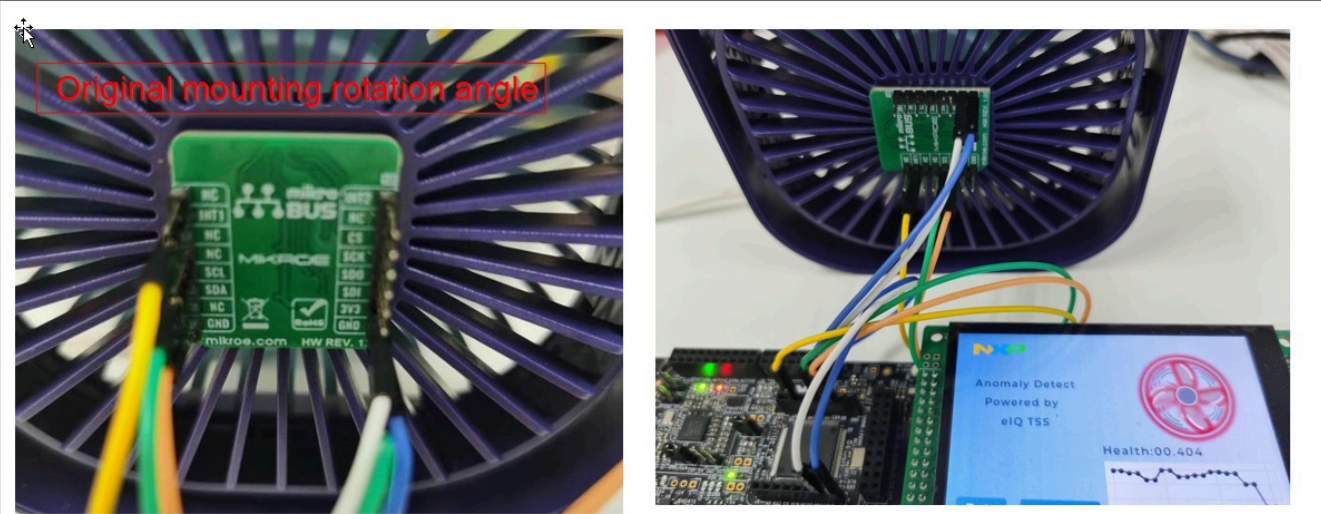


Figure 17. Figure 17

Click the Train button on the Screen, enter the trainer window, Click Start button to start the learning procedure. Return to the main window after the learning is complete. You can see the result on the screen.

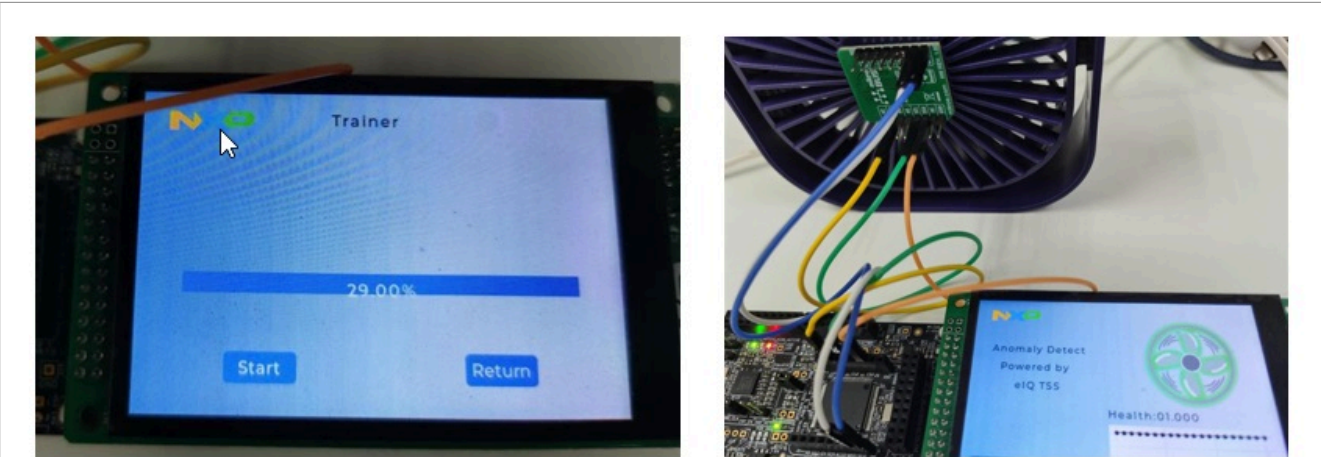


Figure 18. Figure 18

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For further information, refer to the eIQ Time Series Studio documentation.

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The following table summarizes the changes since the initial release.

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