

RL78/G23

Visualization of Sensor Information with Connecting Amazon Web Services in LTE Communication: RL78/G23-128p Fast Prototyping Board + FreeRTOS

Introduction

This document describes how to connect to Amazon Web Services (AWS) using a Renesas MCU board combined with a cellular IoT module. The device uploads the Sensor data to the IoT Core of AWS.

Related Documents

RL78/G23 User's Manual: Hardware (R01UH0896)

RL78/G22, RL78/G23, RL78/G24 Firmware Update Module (R01AN6374)

RL78/G23-128p Fast Prototyping Board User's Manual (R20UT4870)

Renesas Flash Driver RL78 Type 01 User's Manual (R20UT4830)

HS300x High-Performance Relative Humidity and Temperature Sensor (R36DS0010)

HS40xx High-Performance Relative Humidity and Temperature Sensor with Digital Output (R36DS0036)

RL78/G23 Getting Started Guide for Connecting Amazon Web Services in LTE Communication: RL78/G23-128p Fast Prototyping Board + FreeRTOS (R20AN0666)

Notification: End-Of-Life (EOL) process on RYZ024A Cellular module

Renesas announces to discontinue the existing Sequans-sourced LTE module known as the RYZ024A part number and will no longer be shipping this product.

If you have one in a current design or in production, the Sequans part number, GM02S is pin for pin, form fit and function exact drop-in replacement from the RYZ024A. Below Cellular driver of RX family works the below alternate product combination.

- RYZ024A Cellular module control module: Sequans GM02S is the compatible module.

Regarding EOL notice of the RYZ024A, see [the link](#) at [the product page](#).

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1. Overview

The sample program [iot-reference-rl78](#) provides the reference of IoT solution using RL78 family, AWS, and FreeRTOS. You can easily try to run AWS IoT demos while it works with our various other products.

1.1 Overview of Demo Projects

The sample program contains the following demo projects. These demo projects realize the operation for connecting to the AWS clouds using the RL78/G23-128p Fast Prototyping Board of the Renesas MCU board and cellular IoT module.

Table 1-1 List of demo projects

ItemName of Demo Project	Description
Demo project (PubSub)	Perform simple data upload via MQTT communication.
Demo project (OTA)	Perform firmware update via OTA.
Demo project (Sensor)	Perform combination with sensor data acquisition, MQTT communication, sensor data visualization, and OTA updates.

This application note describes about the demo project (sensor), which is hereinafter referred to as demo project. About other demo projects, refer to the [Getting Started Guide](#) (R20AN0666).

The initial firmware of demo project operates to upload temperature data obtained from the temperature/humidity sensor board (hereinafter referred to as sensor board) to the AWS cloud via MQTT communication. Uploaded sensor data can be visualized using the Amazon CloudWatch service (hereinafter referred to as CloudWatch) provided by AWS. Next, update the initial firmware to the updated firmware using OTA update, and start the updated firmware. The updated firmware is added the feature to obtain and upload humidity data in addition to temperature data.

For details about summary of demo projects, refer to the following chapters.

- 2 Description of Hardware
- 3 Description of Software

For details about how to run the demo projects, refer to the following chapters.

- 5 Setup to Demo Projects

1.2 Operation Confirmation Conditions

Demo project operations have been confirmed in the following conditions.

Table 1-2 Operation Confirmation Conditions (RL78/G23)

Item	Description
MCU used	RL78/G23 (R7F100GSN CF 768KB)
Board used	RL78/G23-128p Fast Prototyping Board (RTK7RLG230CSN000BJ)
Operating frequency	High-speed on-chip oscillator clock: 32 MHz
Operating voltage	3.3 V
IDE (Integrated Development Environment)	Renesas Electronics e ² studio 2024-04
C compiler	Renesas Electronics CC-RL V1.12.01
Firmware programming tool	Renesas Flash Programmer V3.14.00
Smart Configurator (SC)	Renesas Smart Configurator for RL78 24.4.0.v20240402-0340
Board support package (BSP)	v1.60 (r_bsp)
Flash library (RFD)	Renesas Flash Driver (RFD) RL78 Type01 for RL78/G2x V1.20 Note: Code Flash Libraries (Flash Self Programming Libraries) -> Renesas Flash Driver RL78 Type 01 Package V1.20 for RL78/G2x
Firmware update module (FWUP)	RL78/G22,RL78/G23,RL78/G24 Firmware Update Module v2.01 (Application note , sample code)
Utility tool to generate firmware images	Renesas Image Generator V3.03 Note: Included in the firmware update module (FWUP)
Python	Python 3.10.1
OpenSSL	OpenSSL 3.1.4

Table 1-3 Operation Confirmation Conditions (Sensor board)

Item	Description
Sensor board (HS3001)	US082-HS3001EVZ Board
Sensor board (HS4001)	QCIOT-HS4001POCZ

Table 1-4 Operation Confirmation Conditions (Others, such as OSS Library)

Item	Description
iot-reference-rl78	v202210.01-LTS-rl78-1.0.0 (Based FreeRTOS 202210.01-LTS) https://github.com/renesas/iot-reference-rl78/tree/v202210.01-LTS-rl78-1.0.0
FreeRTOS Cellular Interface	1.3.0 https://github.com/FreeRTOS/FreeRTOS-Cellular-Interface
FreeRTOS Kernel	10.5.1 https://github.com/FreeRTOS/FreeRTOS-Kernel
backoffAlgorithm	1.3.0 https://github.com/FreeRTOS/backoffAlgorithm
coreJSON	3.2.0 https://github.com/FreeRTOS/coreJSON
coreMQTT Client	2.1.1 https://github.com/FreeRTOS/coreMQTT
coreMQTT Agent	1.2.0 https://github.com/FreeRTOS/coreMQTT-Agent
AWS IoT Over-the-air Update	3.4.0 https://github.com/aws/ota-for-aws-iot-embedded-sdk
tinycbor	0.5.2 https://github.com/intel/tinycbor
FreeRTOS-Plus network_transport	No version https://www.freertos.org/network-interface.html
Logging Interface	1.1.3 https://github.com/aws/amazon-freertos/tree/main/libraries/logging
TinyCrypt Cryptographic Library	0.2.8 https://github.com/intel/tinycrypt

1.3 Equipment List

The following lists the equipment required for the demo projects.

Table 1-5 Equipment List

Item	Description
MCU board	RL78/G23-128p Fast Prototyping Board RTK7RLG230CSN000BJ - RL78/G23-128p Fast Prototyping Board
Cellular IoT module	PMOD Expansion Board for RYZ024A (referred to as RYZ024A hereafter) RTKYZ024A0B00000BE - PMOD Expansion Board for RYZ024A F/W ver: LR8.2
Sensor board	US082-HS3001EVZ Board (referred to as HS300x hereafter) or QCIOT-HS4001POCZ (referred to as HS400x hereafter)
SIM card	LTE communication must be possible. Example: SIM card by Truphone bundled with RTKYZ024A0B00000BE (Note) DHA-SIM-132 by Nippon SIM
USB-UART conversion board	Pmod USBUART https://reference.digilentinc.com/reference/pmod/pmodusbuart/start
Micro USB Type-B cable x 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Used to connect the USB-UART conversion board to the PC Used to connect the MCU board to the PC Used to supply power to RYZ024A
Jumper wire x 3	Used to connect the USB-UART conversion board to the MCU board
Jumper pin x 3	Pins J15, J16, and J19 are used to select the MCU board power supply.

Note:

When using a SIM card by Truphone bundled with PMOD Expansion Board for RYZ024A ([RTKYZ024A0B00000BE](#)), you must activate your SIM card by the following document: [RA6M5 Group RYZ024A PMOD LTE Connectivity with RA6M5 MCU Quick Start Guide](#) (R21QS0007).

Overall figure of equipment connections

- demo project: Figure 5-1 Overall Hardware Configuration of the Demo Project

Precaution about equipment for debugging

The demo projects use the COM port for debugging, but debugging with the emulator is also possible. When using the emulator, you need to mount the connector for connecting the emulator and change the circuit. For details, refer to section 7.2.1 Setting Jumper Pins, Mounting the Connector, and Cutting Patterns in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

Table 1-6 Debug Equipment

Item	Description
Emulator	E2 emulator Lite https://www.renesas.com/software-tool/e2-emulator-lite-rte0t0002lkce00000r

2. Description of Hardware

2.1 System Configuration

The following shows the system configuration of the demo project.

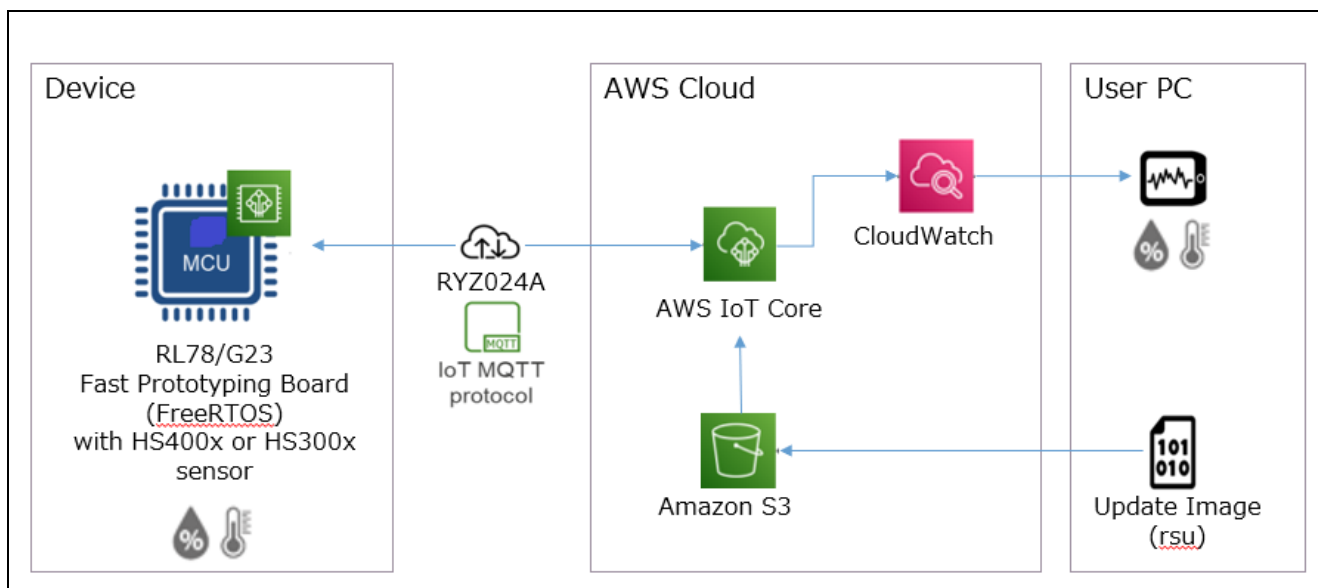


Figure 2-1 System Configuration of Demo Project

2.2 List of Pin Used

The following lists and describes the pins used with the demo project.

Table 2-1 Pins Used with Demo Project and Their Functions

Pin Name	I/O	Description
P143/RxD3	Input	UART communication (reception) with RYZ024A
P144/TxD3	Output	UART communication (transmission) with RYZ024A
P00	Output	Reset to RYZ024A
P142	Output	UART communication (RTS) with RYZ024A
P14/RxD2	Input	Terminal input
P13/TxD2	Output	Terminal output
P50	Output	LED1
P51	Output	LED2
P62/SCLA1	Input/Output	I2C communication (clock) with sensor board
P63/SDAA1	Input/Output	I2C communication (data) with sensor board

3. Description of Software

3.1 Demo Project

Refer to section 3.2.1 Demo Project Structure in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

3.2 List of Option Bytes Settings

The following shows the option bytes settings.

Table 3-1 Option Bytes Settings

Address	Settings	Description
000C0H/040C0H	11101111B	Stops the watchdog timer operation. (Stops counting after the release from the reset state.)
000C1H/040C1H	00111010B	LVD0 off (using an external reset input from the RESET pin)
000C2H/040C2H	11101000B	HS (high-speed main) mode and High-speed on-chip oscillator clock (fIH): 32 MHz
000C3H/040C3H	10000100B	Enables on-chip debugging.

3.3 Folder Structure

The following shows the folder structure of the sample program.

Table 3-2 Folder Structure of the Sample Program

Folder Name	Description
iot-reference-rl78	The sample program is described in this Getting Started Guide.
├─Common	
│ └─FreeRTOS_common	
│ └─ports	
│ └─ota_pal	
├─Configuration	
│ └─rl78g23-fpb	
│ └─sensor	Sensor demo configurations.
├─Demos	
│ └─common	
│ └─include	
│ └─mqtt_agent	
│ └─OtaOverMqtt	OTA demo source codes.
│ └─Sensor	Sensor demo source codes.
│ └─SimplePubSub	PubSub demo source codes.
├─IDT_config	
├─Middleware	
│ └─3rdparty	
│ └─Application-Protocols	
│ └─network_transport	
│ └─AWS	
│ └─ota-for-aws-iot-embedded-sdk	
│ └─FreeRTOS	FreeRTOS Kernel and libraries.
│ │ └─backoffAlgorithm	
│ │ └─coreJSON	
│ │ └─coreMQTT	
│ │ └─coreMQTT-Agent	
│ │ └─FreeRTOS-Cellular-Interface	
│ │ └─FreeRTOS-Kernel	
│ └─logging	
├─Projects	
│ └─rl78g23-fpb	
│ │ └─application_code	
│ │ └─flash_proj	
│ │ └─helper	
│ │ └─modules	
│ │ └─projects	Import below folders to IDE.
│ │ │ └─aws_ryz024a_rl78g23-fpb	PubSub demo and OTA demo. Select by Build Configurations.
│ │ │ └─aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb	Sensor demo (including OTA demo).
│ │ │ └─boot_loader	Boot loader for OTA demo.
│ │ │ └─test_aws_cellular_ryz024a	
│ └─rtos_skelton	
├─Test	
└─Tools	

3.4 Code Size

The following table shows the ROM and RAM size of demo projects confirmed in the following conditions.

- CC-RL
 - Compile options:
 - - Odefault: Optimization that is effective for both the object size and execution speed.
 - Link options:
 - - optimize=symbol_delete: Deleting variables or functions that have not been referenced even once.

Table 3-3 ROM and RAM Size of Demo Projects

Demo Project Name	ROM (byte)	RAM (byte)
aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb	233229	43204
boot_loader	22147	1348

4. Description of the Demo Project

The behavior of the demo project is shown below.

- (1) The initial firmware uploads temperature data and temperature warning (False if below 25 degrees, True if above 25 degrees) from the sensor board to the AWS cloud.
- (2) Download the update firmware via OTA update and update the firmware.
- (3) After a firmware update, in addition to temperature data and temperature warning, humidity data is also uploaded to the AWS cloud. You can check the uploaded temperature data, temperature warning, and humidity data in logs and CloudWatch.
- (4) Complete the upload to the AWS Cloud if any of the following conditions are true.
 - When the number of uploads reaches 2000
 - If sensor data acquisition fails

5. Setup to Demo Projects

The following describes the setup procedure applicable to demo project.

5.1 Hardware Setup

5.1.1 Overall Configuration

First, the following shows the overall configuration of hardware that makes up the demo project.

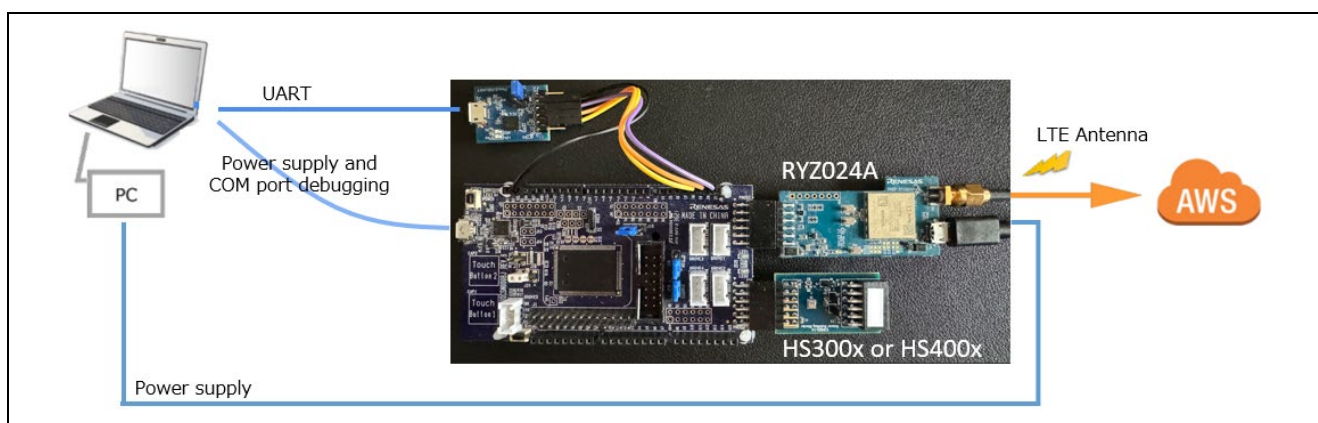


Figure 5-1 Overall Hardware Configuration of the Demo Project

5.1.2 Connecting Hardware

The following describes how to connect hardware.

- (1) Insert the activated SIM card into RYZ024A.

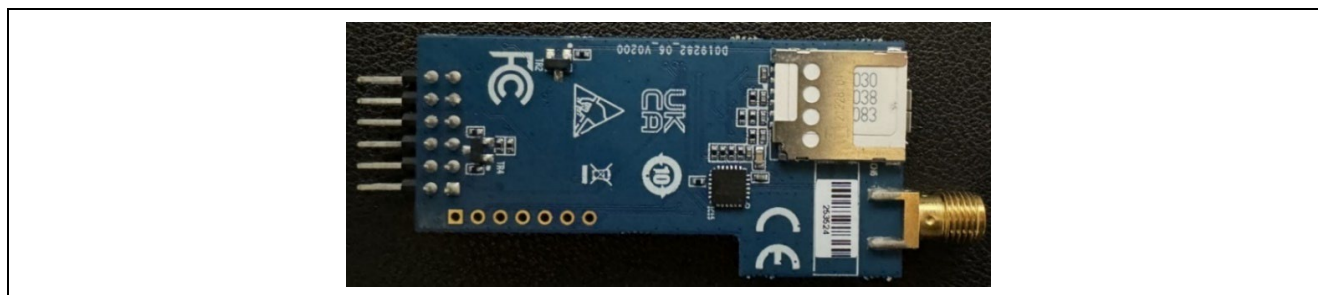


Figure 5-2 Inserting Activated SIM Card into RYZ024A

(2) Connect the antenna and power supply USB cable to RYZ024A.

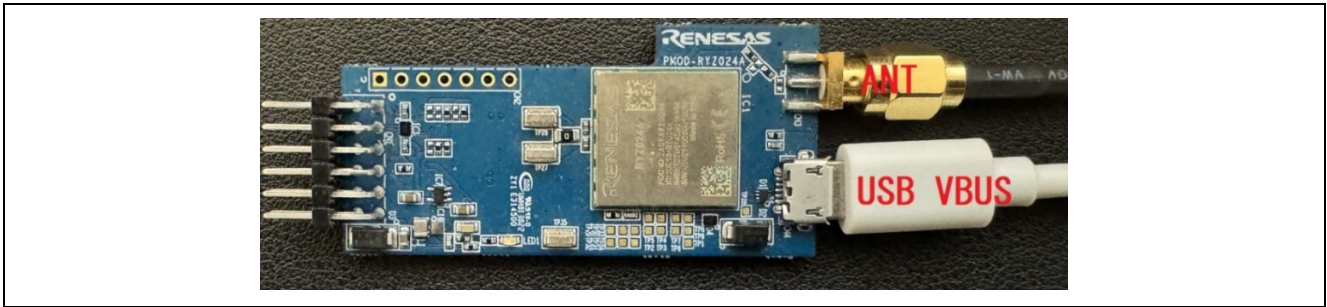


Figure 5-3 Connecting Antenna and Power Supply USB Cable to RYZ024A

(3) Connect RYZ024A to PMOD1 of the MCU board.

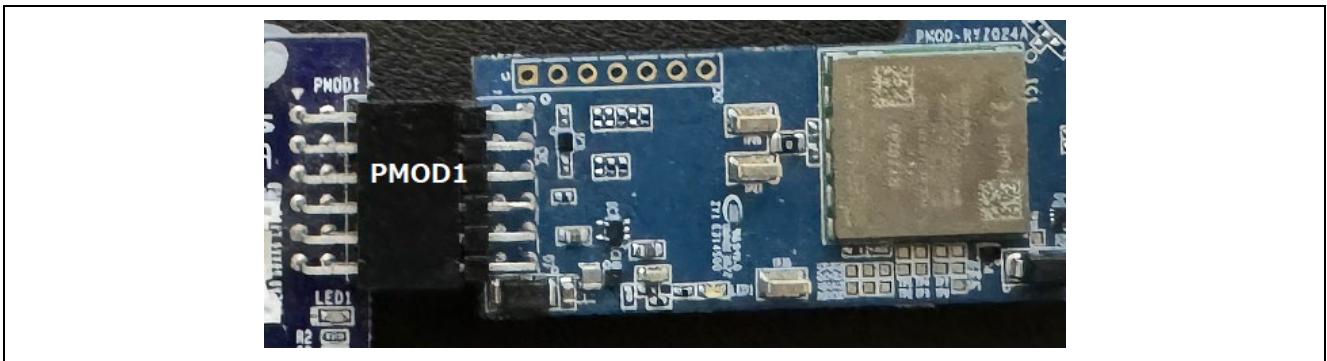


Figure 5-4 Connecting RYZ024A to PMOD1 of the MCU Board

(4) Connect Sensor Board to PMOD2 of the MCU board.

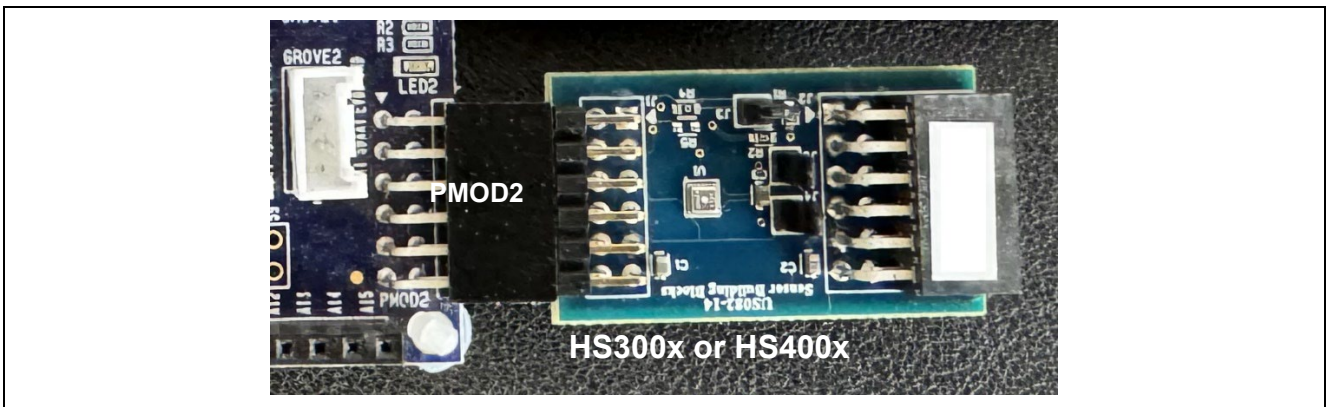


Figure 5-5 Connecting Sensor Board to PMOD2 of the MCU Board

- (5) Connect the USB-UART conversion board to the MCU board.

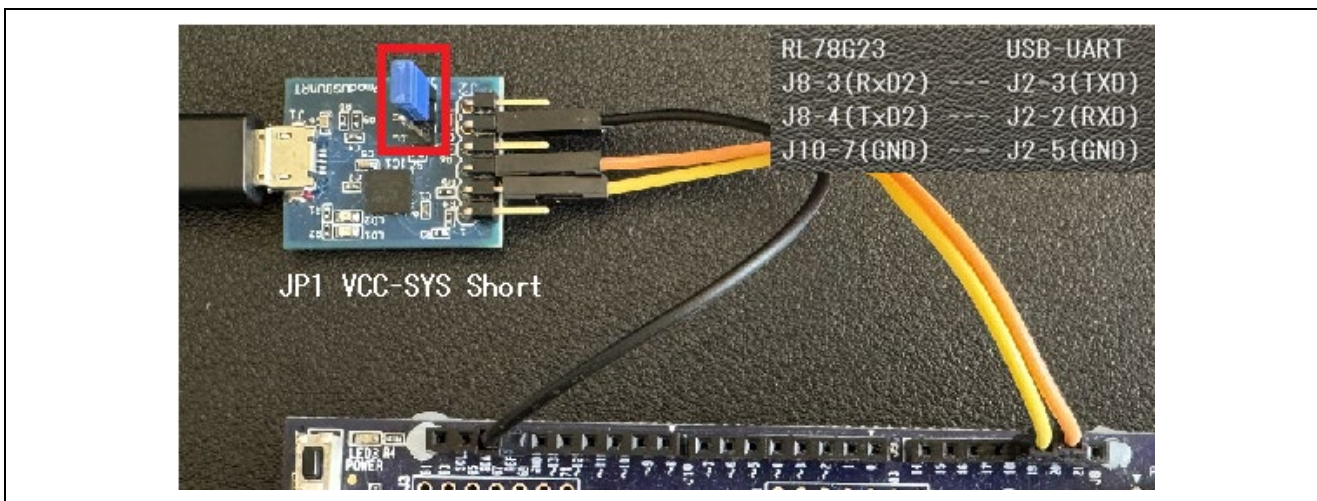


Figure 5-6 Connecting the USB-UART Conversion Board to the MCU Board

- (6) On the MCU board, set the power supply selection header to J20 2-3 Short to select 3.3 V power supply.

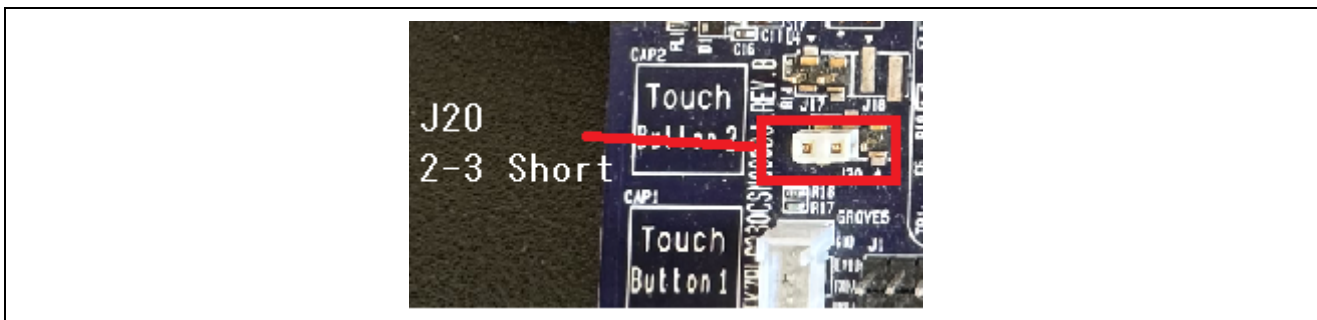


Figure 5-7 Setting MCU Board Power Supply to 3.3 V

- (7) If you changed circuit to mount emulator connector on the MCU board, configure the COM port debugging that uses a USB-to-serial converter.
 If you don't change circuit, you don't need this process.

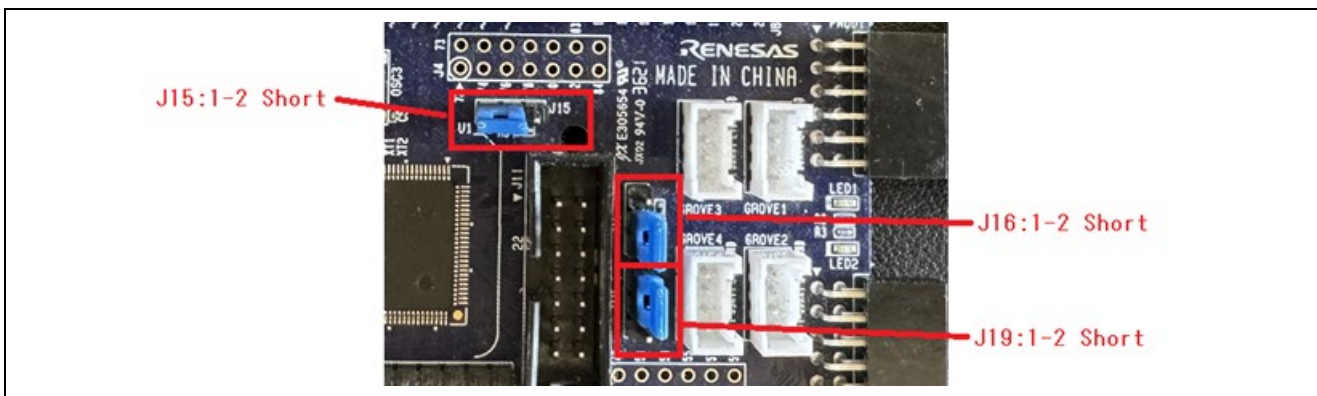


Figure 5-8 Settings for Using COM Port Debugging (Top Side)

- (8) Connect the USB cable to supply power to the MCU board.

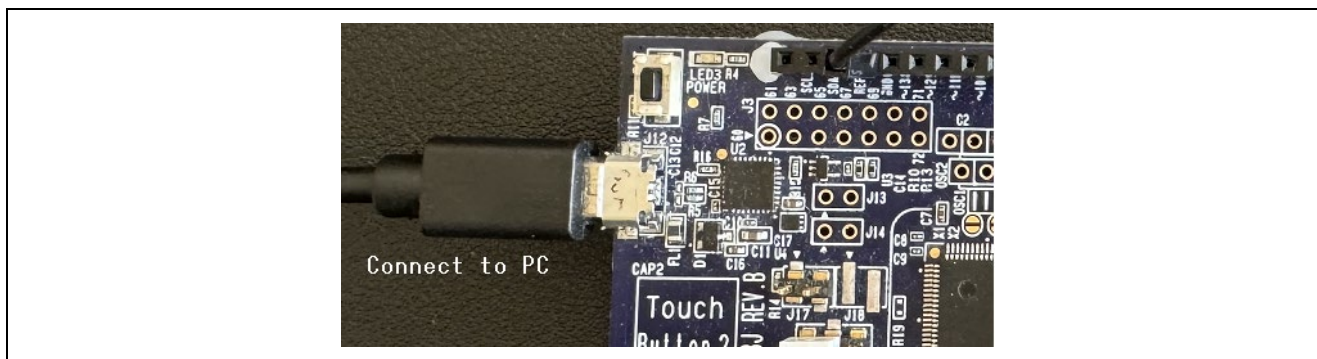


Figure 5-9 Supplying Power to the MCU Board

- (9) Confirm the COM port number by using such as the device manager on Windows PC.
The COM port number will be used for programming and debugging firmware.
- (10) Remove the USB cable to temporarily stop power supply to the MCU board.

5.2 Software Setup

5.2.1 Terminal Software Settings

Terminal software (example: Tera Term) is required to output demo project logs. The following shows the serial port settings.

Table 5-1 Serial Port Settings

Item	Description
Baud rate	115200 bps
Data	8 bits
Parity	None
Stop bit	1 bit
Flow control	None

5.2.2 Installing Flash Writer

A flash writer is used for programming initial images.

[Renesas Flash Programmer \(Programming GUI\)](#)

5.2.3 Adding SIM Card Information to the Demo Project

Add the SIM card information after importing the project.

Refer to section 4.2.3 Adding SIM Card Information to the Demo Project in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

5.2.4 Adding AWS IoT Connection Settings to the Demo Project

Add the AWS IoT connection settings after importing the project.

Refer to section 4.2.4 Adding AWS IoT Connection Settings to the Demo Project in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

5.2.5 Selecting the Sensor board to use

Change the definition of the "SENSOR_CFG_TYPE" macro according to the sensor board you are using.

```
iot-reference-rl78\Projects\rl78g23-fpb\projects\aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-  
fpb\src\application_code\sensor.h  
For HS400x  
#define SENSOR_CFG_TYPE (SENSOR_TYPE_HS400X)  
  
For HS300x  
#define SENSOR_CFG_TYPE (SENSOR_TYPE_HS300X)
```

5.3 Settings for OTA Update

5.3.1 Installing Tools

Refer to section 6.1.1 Installing Tools in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

5.3.2 Generating Keys for Signature Generation and Verification

Refer to section 6.1.2 Generating Keys for Signature Generation and Verification in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

5.4 Preparing the AWS Cloud

5.4.1 Settings for visualizing sensor data

To visualize the data received from the sensor board in graph format, follow these steps to configure Amazon CloudWatch and AWS IoT Core. First, log in to the AWS Management Console.

[AWS Management Console | AWS \(amazon.com\)](#)

Check the region displayed at the top right of the AWS Management Console screen and select the same region as the one you set when logging in.

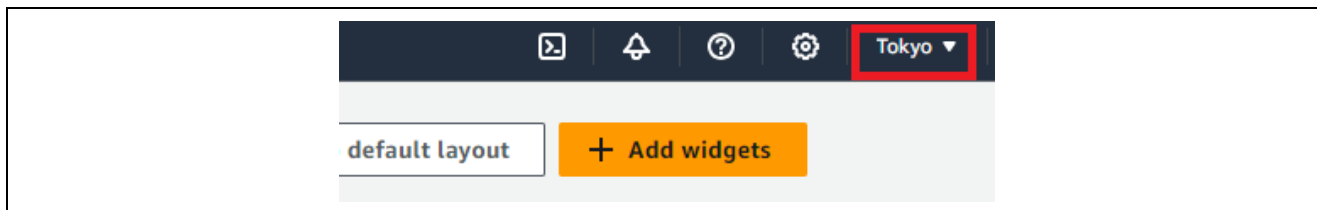


Figure 5-10 Check the region

5.4.1.1 Settings for Amazon CloudWatch

(1) Creating Rule on AWS IoT

- AWS IoT > Message routing > Rules > Click “Create rule”

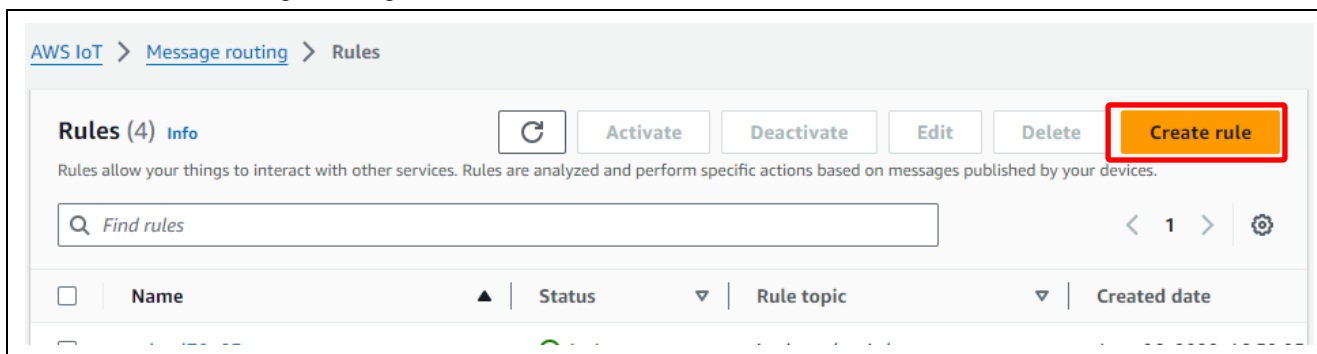


Figure 5-11 Creating Rule on AWS IoT

(2) Specify rule properties

- Enter the Rule name and click “Next”

AWS IoT > Message routing > Rules > Create rule

Step 1
Specify rule properties

Step 2
Configure SQL statement

Step 3
Attach rule actions

Step 4
Review and create

Specify rule properties [Info](#)

A rule resource contains a list of actions based on the MQTT topic stream.

Rule properties

Rule name

ro...e

Enter an alphanumeric string that can also contain underscore (`_`) characters, but no spaces.

Rule description - *optional*

Enter a description to provide additional details about the rule to others.

A description of your new rule

▼ Tags - *optional*

No tags associated with the resource.

Add new tag

You can add up to 50 tags.

Cancel **Next**

Figure 5-12 Enter the Rule name and click “Next”

(3) Configure SQL statement

- Enter the following in the SQL statement and click “Next”

```
SELECT *, timestamp() as timestamp FROM '[thing-name]_tempdata'  
(Need to start a new line)
```

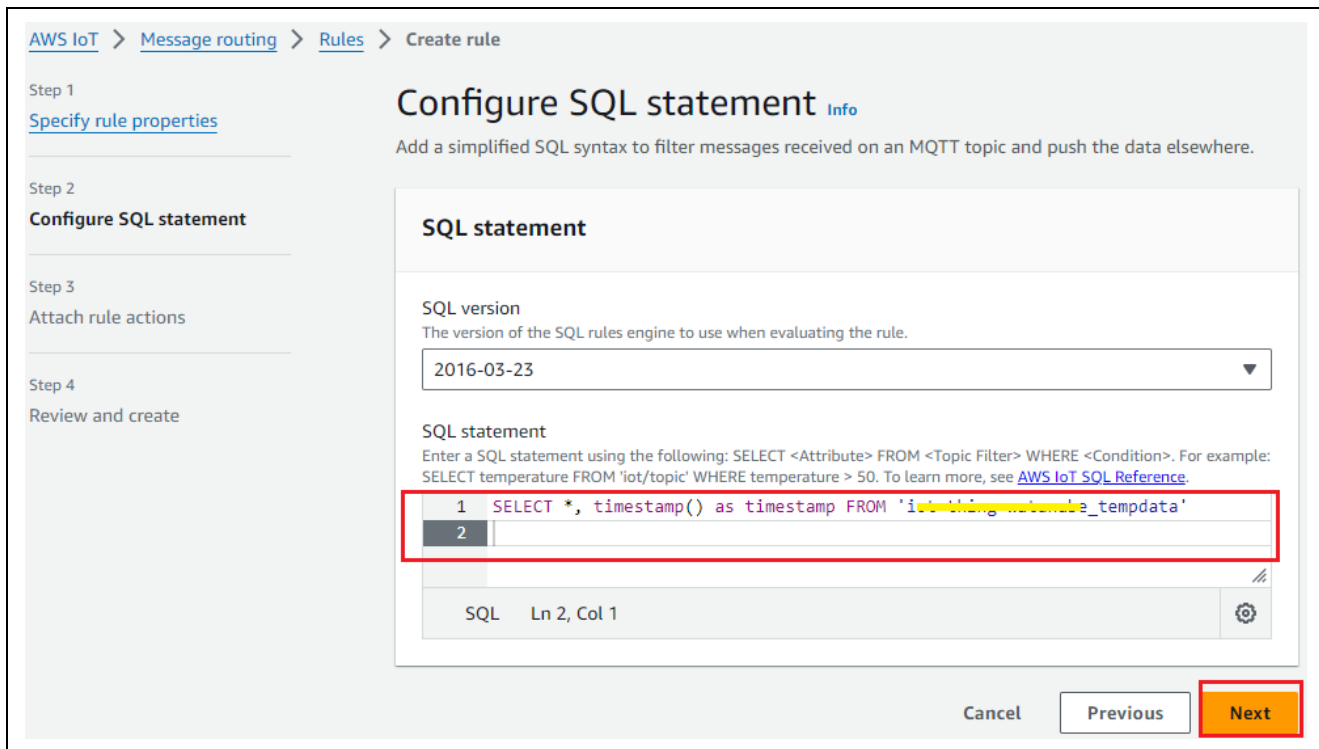


Figure 5-13 Enter the following in the SQL statement and click “Next”

(4) Attach rule actions

- Select “CloudWatch logs” for Action1 and click “Create CloudWatch Log group”

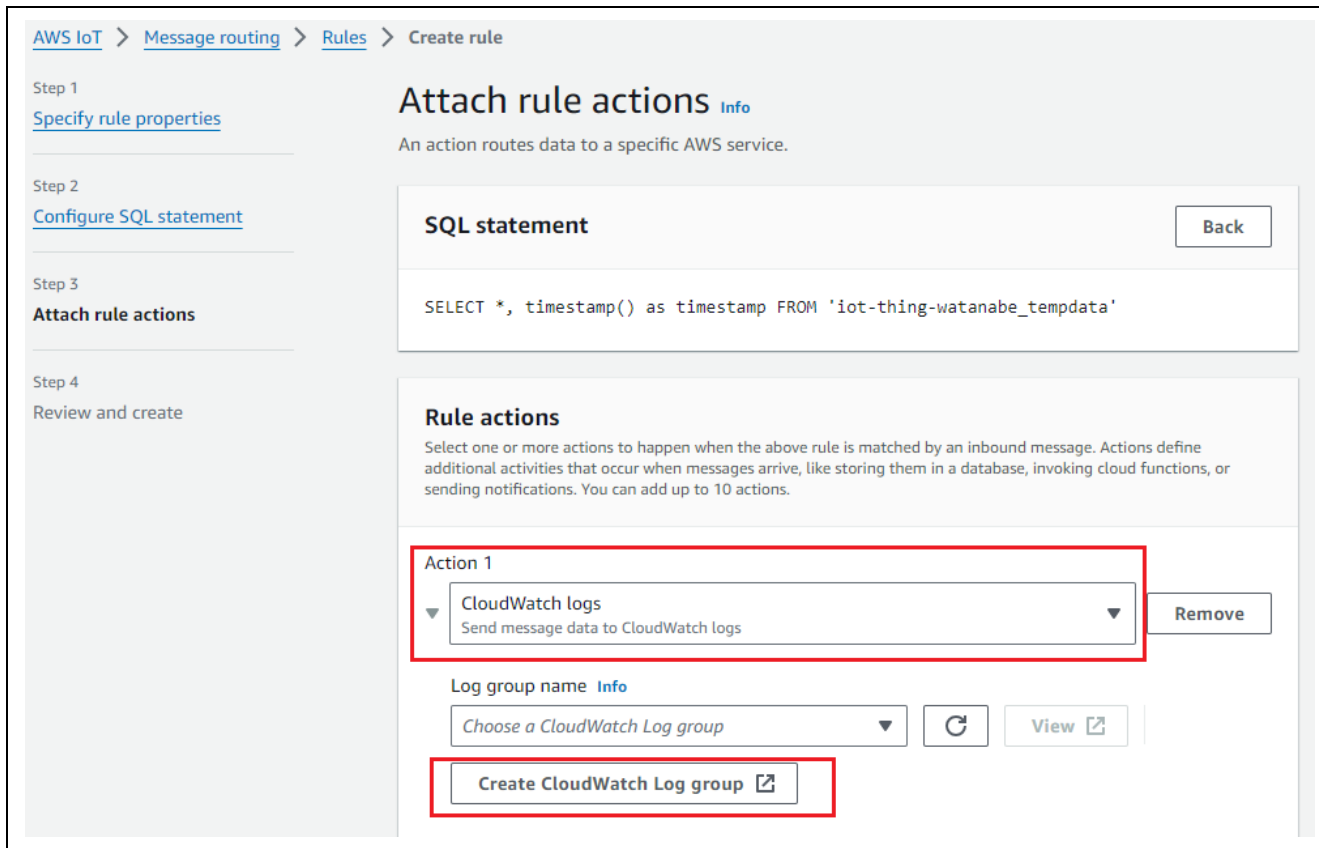


Figure 5-14 Select “CloudWatch logs” for Action1

- A new CloudWatch tab launches and confirms that it is the Create Log Group screen.

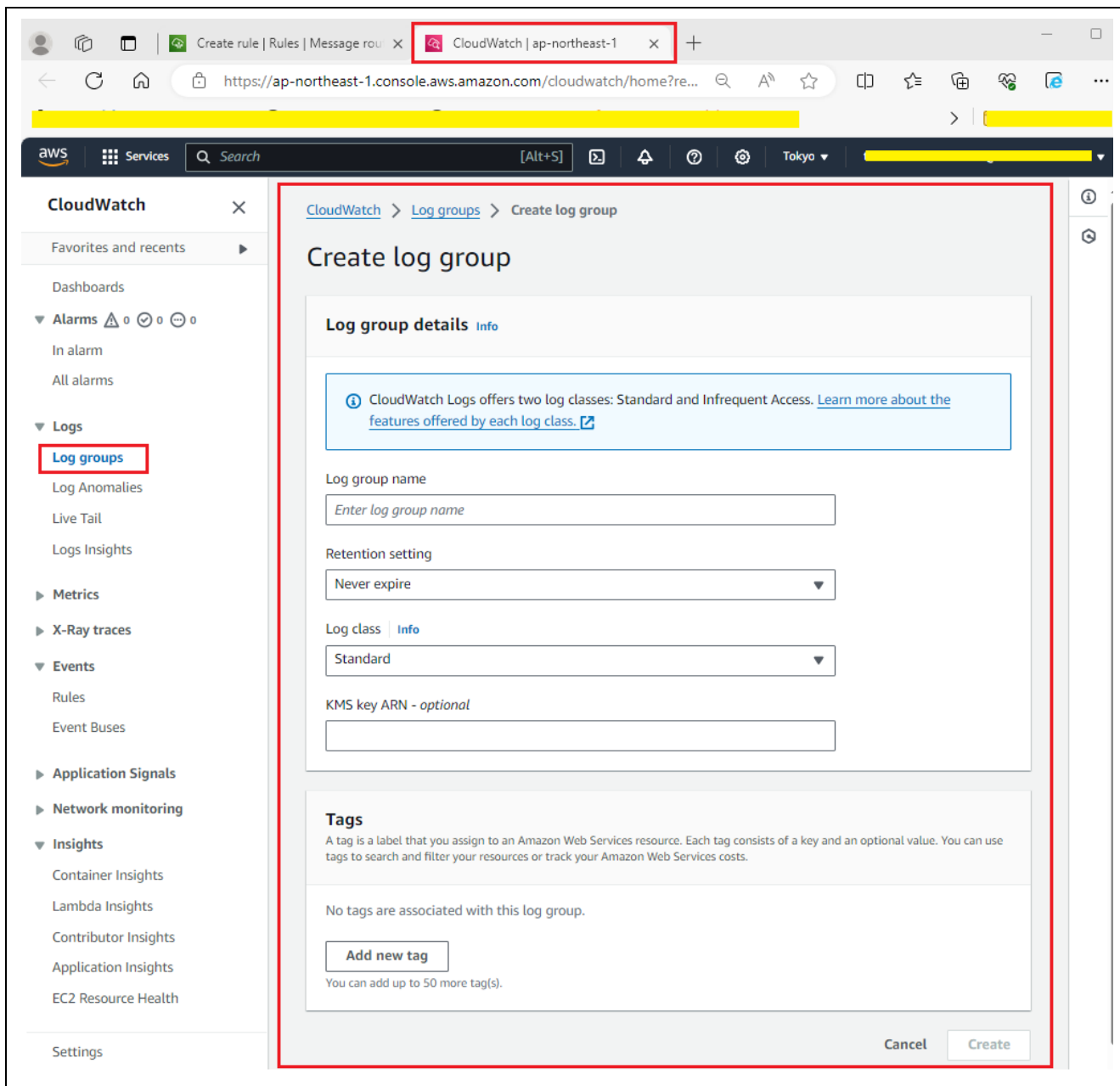


Figure 5-15 A new CloudWatch tab launches and confirms that it is the Create Log Group screen

(5) Create log group

- Enter the Log group name and click “Create” to confirm that the log group has been created.

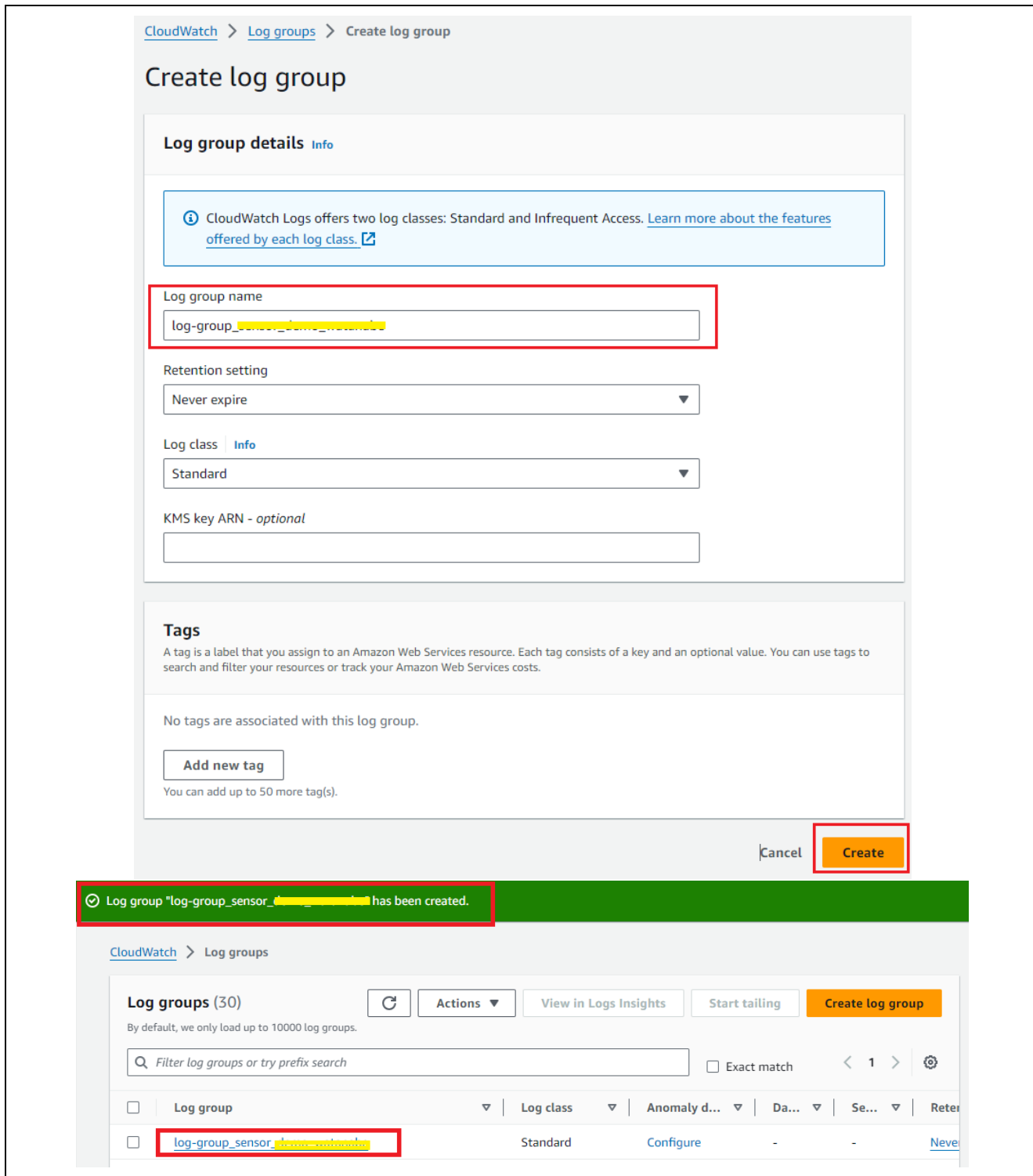


Figure 5-16 Confirm the log group is created correctly

(6) Select the log group you created

- Click on the Rules tab to activate.

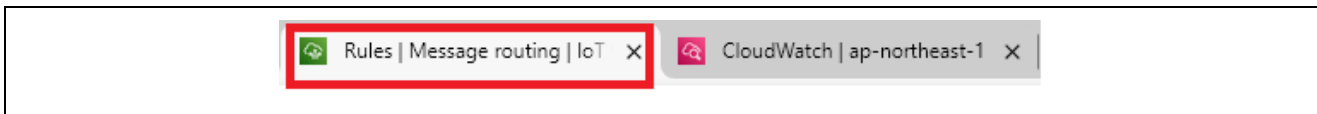


Figure 5-17 Click on the Rules tab to activate

- Select the log group created in (5) for the Log group name and click “Create new role”.

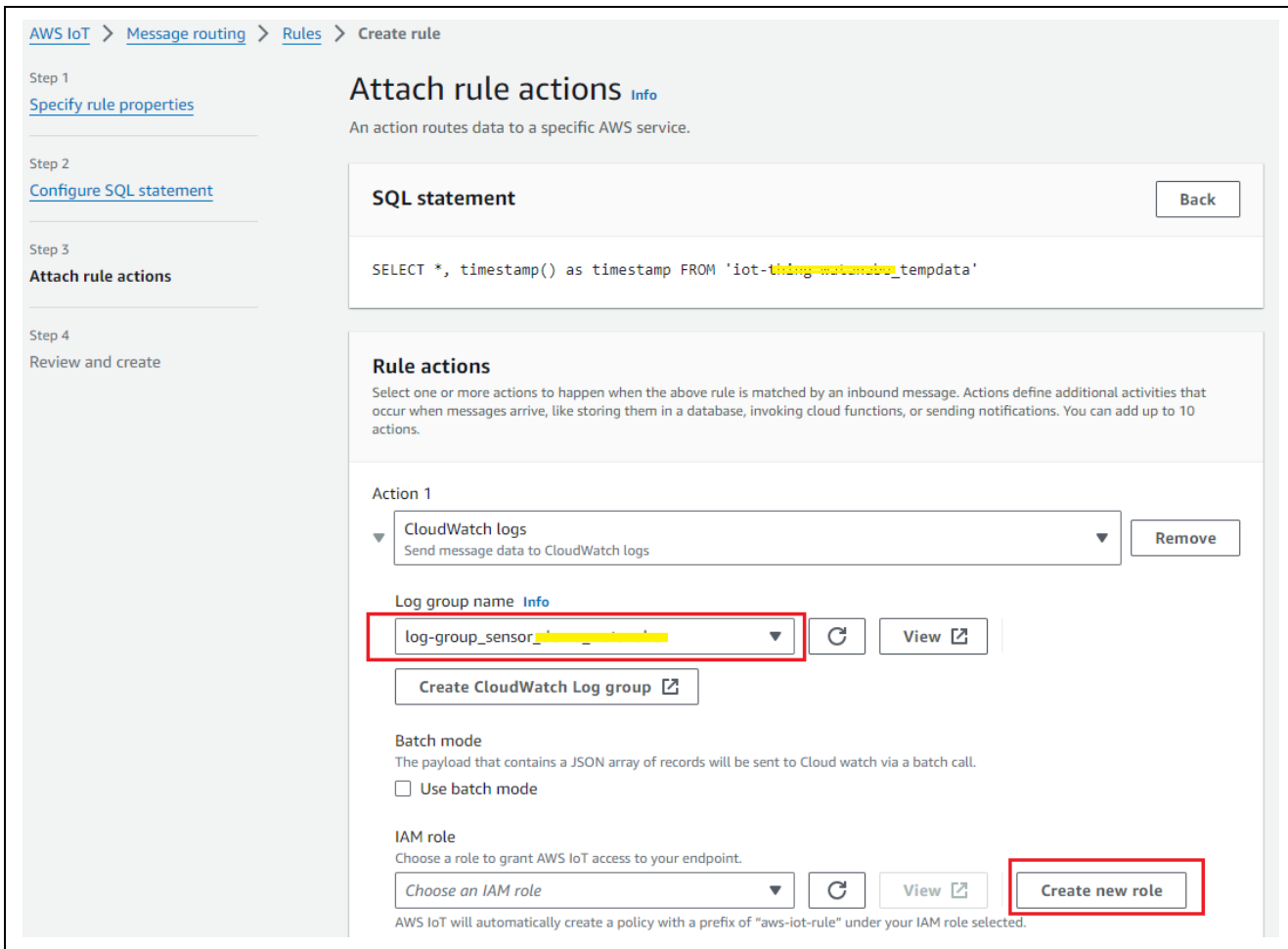
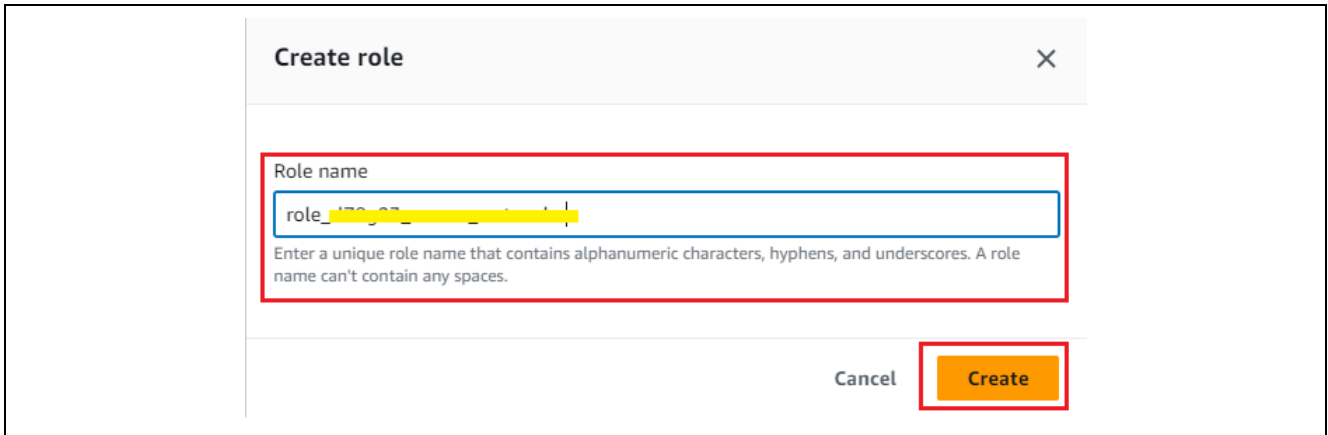


Figure 5-18 Select the created log group for the Log group name

(7) Create IAM role

- Enter the Role name and click “Create”



The image shows a screenshot of the AWS IAM 'Create role' dialog box. The dialog has a title bar that says 'Create role' with a close button (X) on the right. Below the title bar is a text input field labeled 'Role name'. The text 'role_1234567890' is entered in the field. Below the input field, there is a small text box that says: 'Enter a unique role name that contains alphanumeric characters, hyphens, and underscores. A role name can't contain any spaces.' At the bottom right of the dialog, there are two buttons: 'Cancel' and 'Create'. The 'Create' button is highlighted with a red border.

Figure 5-19 Enter the Role name and click “Create”

(8) Choose the IAM role

- Choose the IAM role created in (7) and click "Next".

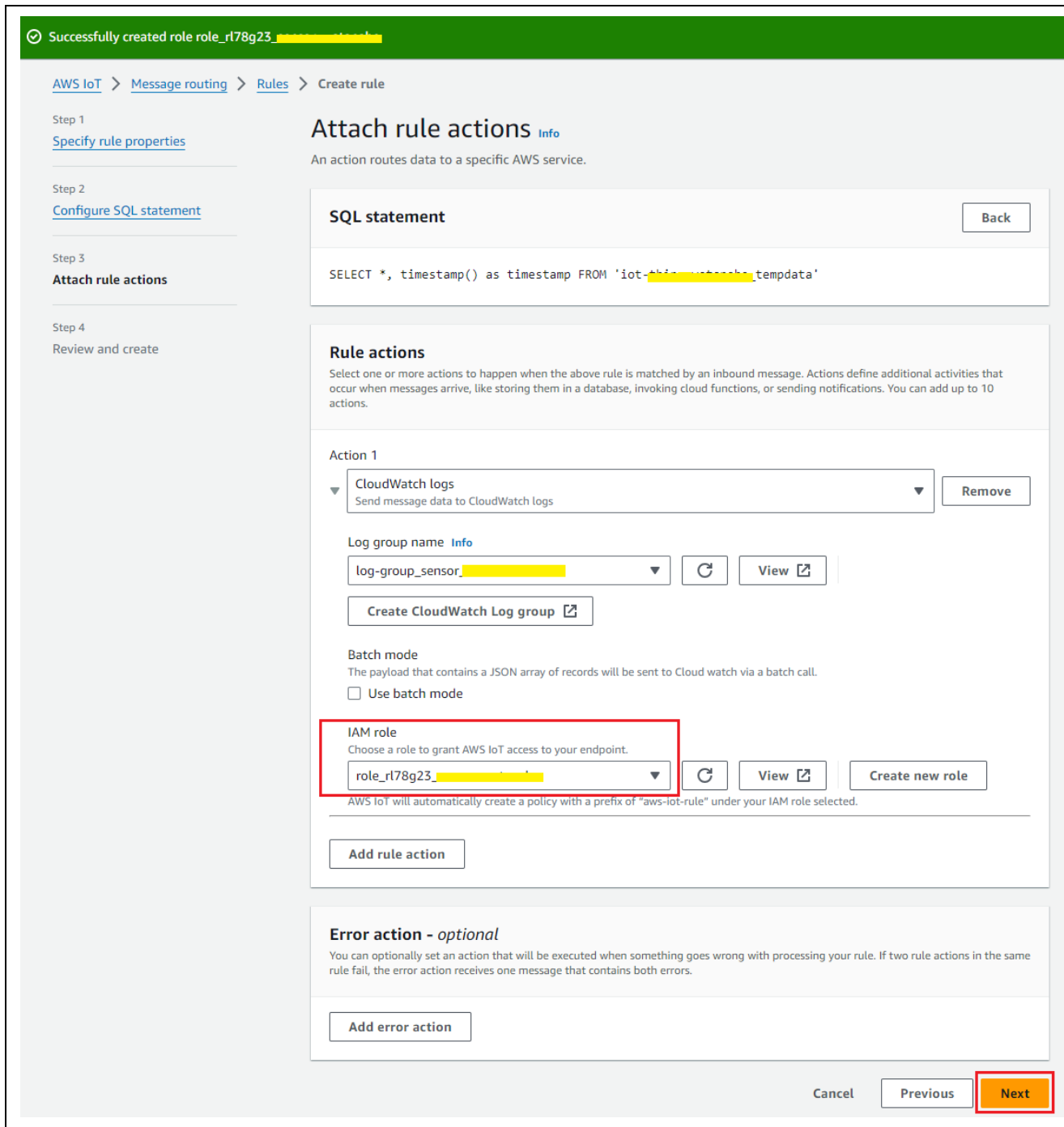


Figure 5-20 Choose the IAM role and click "Next"

(9) Check the contents and create the rules

- Check the contents of the rule and click “Create”

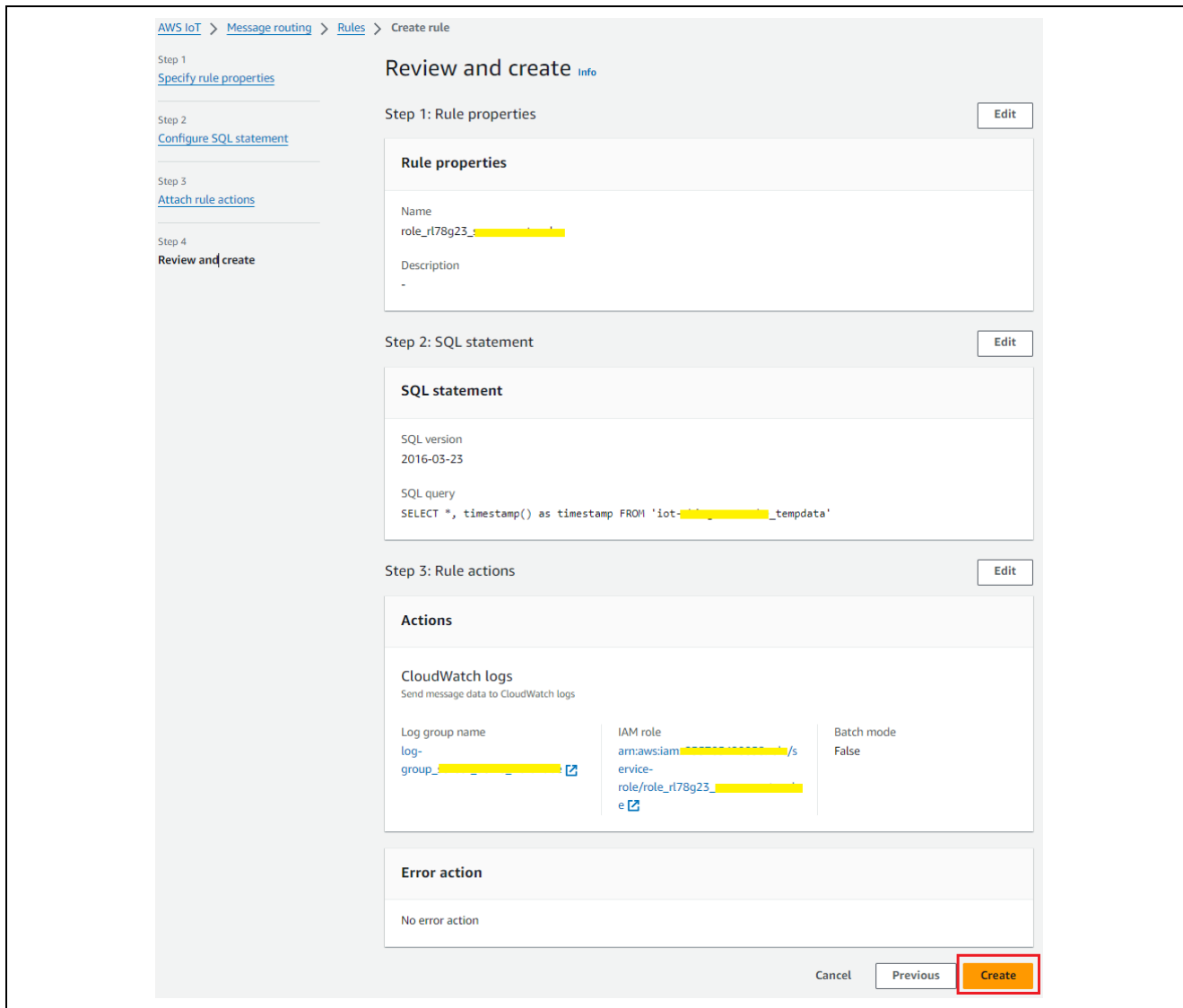


Figure 5-21 Check the contents of the rule and click “Create”

- Check the rule was created



Figure 5-22 Check the rule was created

(10) Display graphs using CloudWatch

- CloudWatch > Logs Insights
 - Log group: Select the log group created in 0
 - Query: Enter the query below

```
stats avg(humidity), avg(temperature), max(warning) by bin(10s)
```

- Visualization: Select "Visualization"

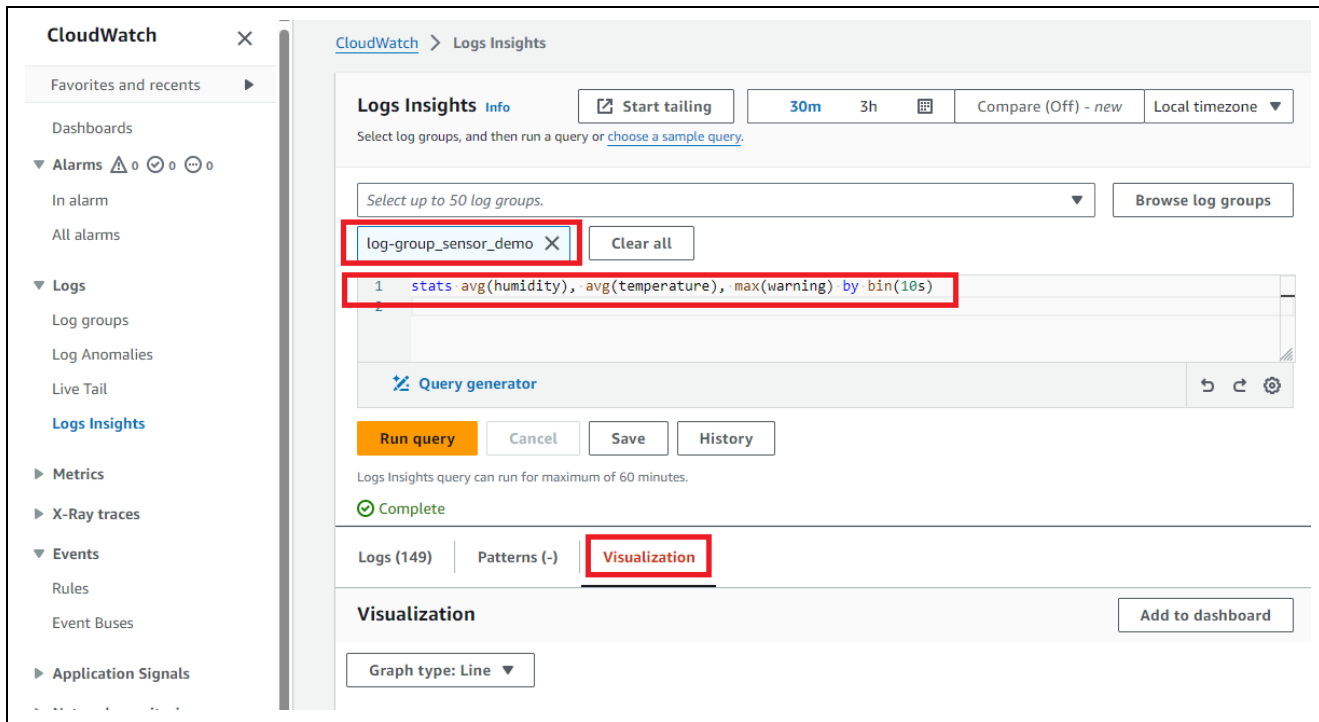


Figure 5-23 CloudWatch > Logs Insights

- After running the demo project, click [Run query] to display the graph

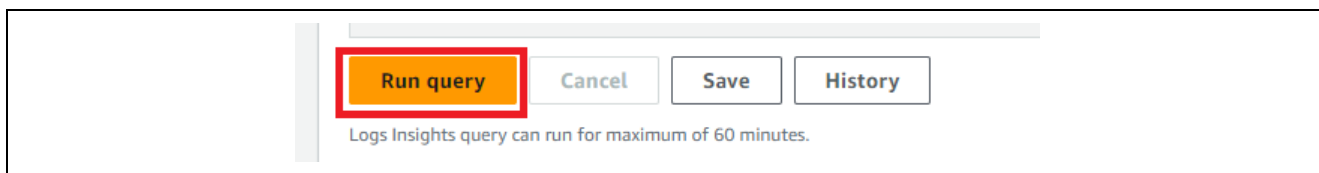


Figure 5-24 Click [Run query] to display the graph

5.4.2 Settings for OTA Update

5.4.2.1 Creating Amazon S3 Buckets

Refer to section 6.1.3.1 Creating Amazon S3 Buckets in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

5.4.2.2 Creating an OTA Update Service Role

Refer to section 6.1.3.2 Creating an OTA Update Service Role in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

5.4.2.3 Creating an OTA Update User Policy

Refer to section 6.1.3.3 Creating an OTA Update User Policy in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

5.4.2.4 Allocating an OTA Update Policy to IAM User

Refer to section 6.1.3.4 Allocating an OTA Update Policy to IAM User in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

5.4.2.5 Granting Access Permissions to AWS IoT Code Signature

Refer to section 6.1.3.5 Granting Access Permissions to AWS IoT Code Signature in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

5.5 Creating an Initial Image

An initial image is a MOT file generated by joining a bootloader's MOT file and an initial application's MOT file by using Renesas Image Generator.

Renesas Image Generator is a tool provided with the [RL78/G22, RL78/G23, RL78/G24 firmware update module](#). For details, refer to the application note in this link.

The file names related to an initial image are as follows in this document.

- Bootloader: boot_loader.mot
- Initial application: aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb.mot
- Initial image: initial_image.mot

5.5.1 Creating a Bootloader

The steps in this chapter are the same as the [Getting Started Guide](#).

5.5.1.1 Importing the Bootloader Project

Refer to section 6.2.1.1 Importing the Bootloader Project in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

5.5.1.2 Adding the Firmware Verification Key to the Bootloader Project

Refer to section 6.2.1.2 Adding the Firmware Verification Key to the Bootloader Project in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

5.5.1.3 Building the Bootloader Project

Refer to section 6.2.1.3 Building the Bootloader Project in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

5.5.2 Creating an Initial Application

The steps in this chapter are the same as those in the [Getting Started Guide](#). Replace the project name, command parameters, etc. with the contents of this application note.

5.5.2.1 Importing the Initial Application

Import the aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb project to e² studio. Open the Import wizard according to the following process.

File > Import... > Existing Projects into Workspace > Next

Next, select the aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb project. **Ensure that copy projects into the workspace is not selected.** Then click the Finish button.

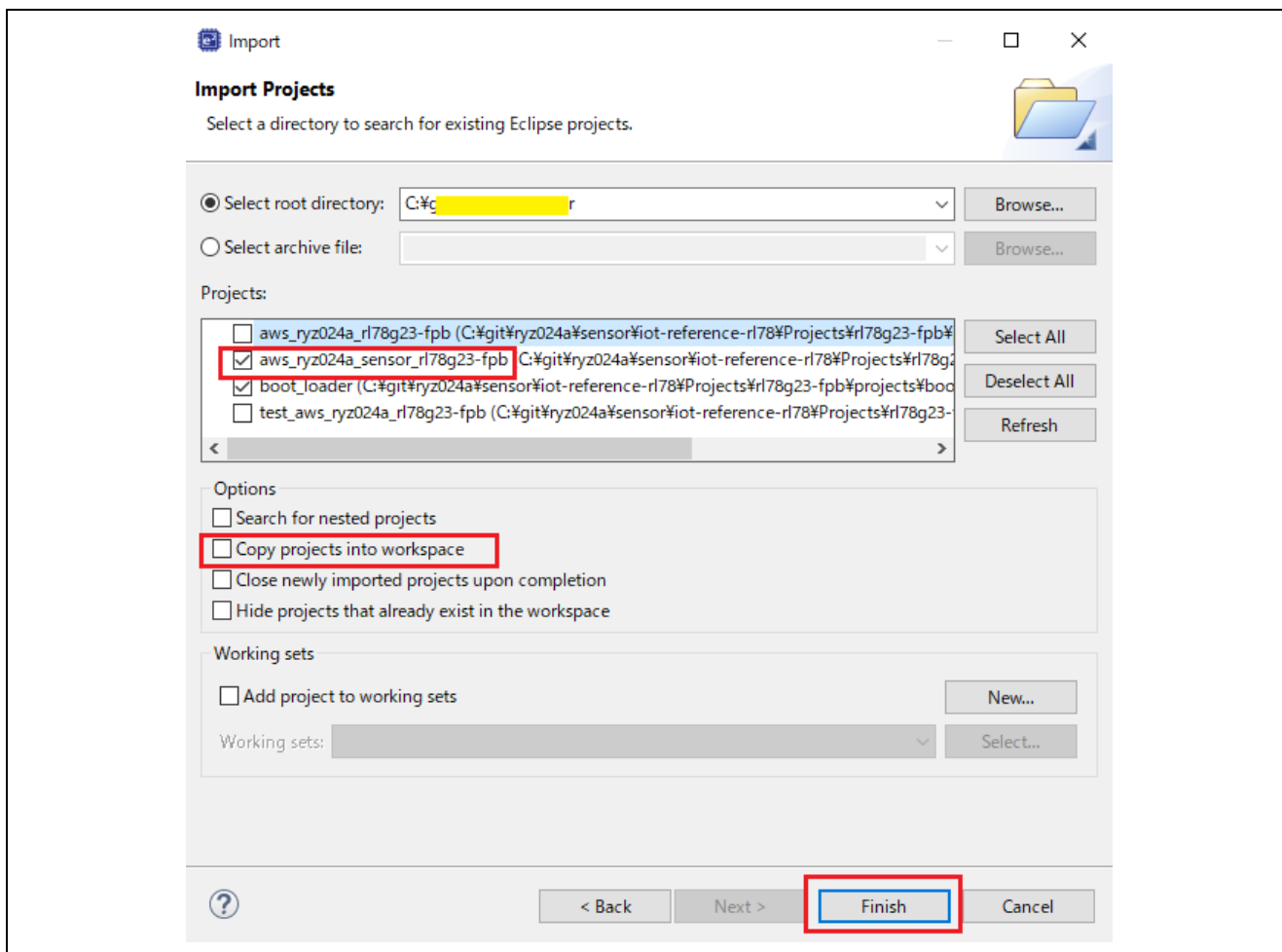


Figure 5-25 Selecting the aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb Project

The imported project is shown in the Project Explorer view.

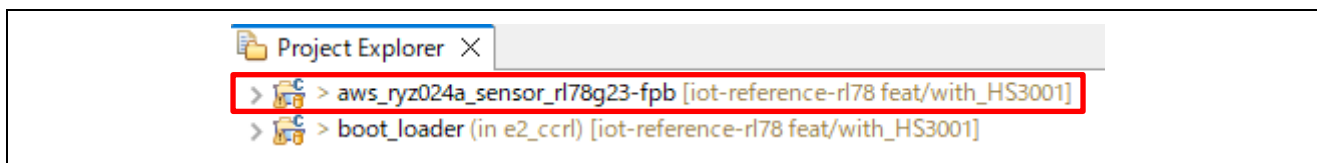


Figure 5-26 Completing to Import the aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb Project

5.5.2.2 Adding the Firmware Verification Key to the Initial Application

Add the firmware verification key (secp256r1.publickey) to code_signer_public_key.h in the aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb project.

Note: Add \ to the end of each line.

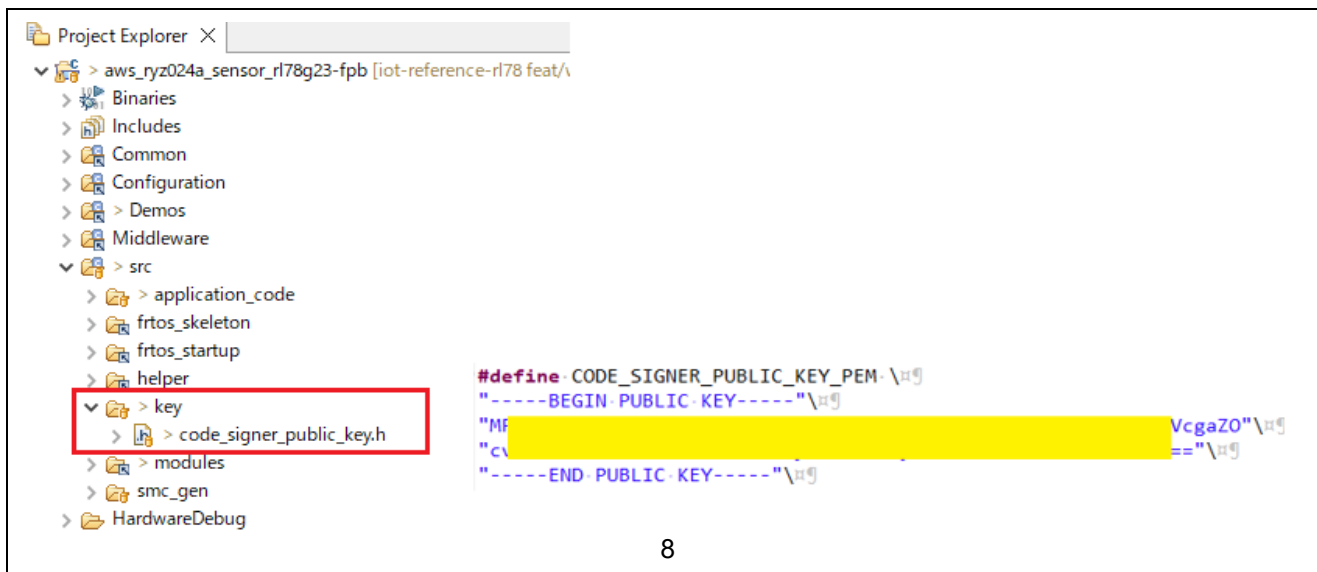


Figure 5-27 Adding the Firmware Verification Key to the Initial Application

5.5.2.3 Building the Initial Application

Build the aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb project to create a MOT file.

Then, make sure that aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb.mot has been created in the HardwareDebug folder directly under the project folder.

5.5.3 Creating an Initial Image by Using Renesas Image Generator

Join the bootloader and the initial application by using Renesas Image Generator to generate the initial image.

(1) Store the following files in the same folder as Renesas Image Generator.

- Bootloader: boot_loader.mot
- Initial application: aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb.mot
- Private key for initial application verification: secp256r1.privatekey

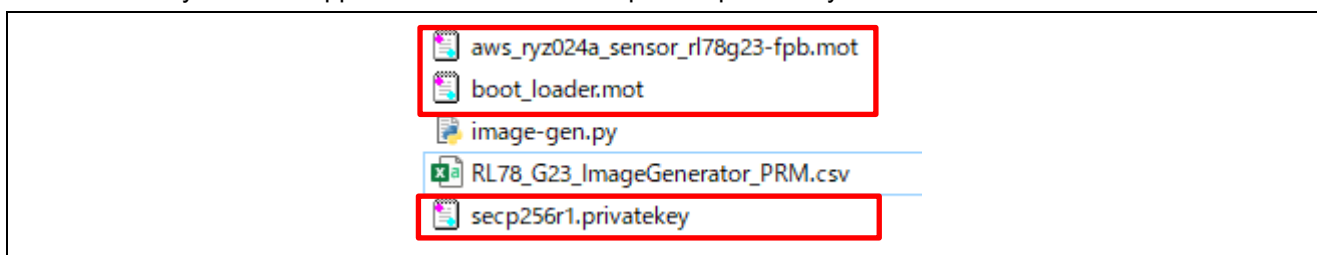


Figure 5-28 Storing Necessary Files in the Same Folder as Renesas Image Generator

(2) Run the following command to generate the initial image.

```
python image-gen.py -iup .\aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb.mot -ibp  
boot_loader.mot -o initial_image -ip .\RL78_G23_ImageGenerator_PRM.csv
```

(3) Make sure that the initial image (initial_image.mot) has been generated.

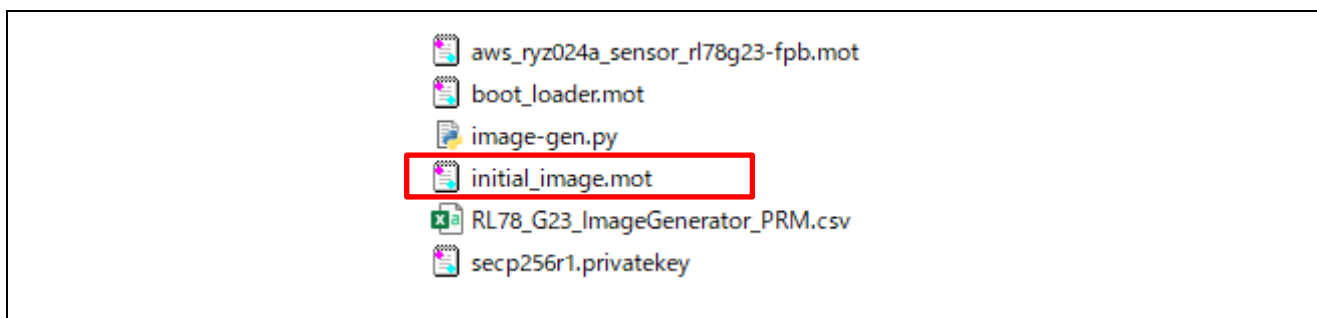


Figure 5-29 Initial Image Generated in the Same Folder as Renesas Image Generator

5.6 Creating an Update Image

An Update Image is a binary format (extension: rsu) firmware used for the update which are converted an update application's MOT file by using Renesas Image Generator. update images can be generated by Renesas Image Generator. For details about the Update Image format, refer to "[RL78/G22,RL78/G23,RL78/G24 Firmware Update Module](#)".

The file names related to an update image are as follows in this document.

- Update application: aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb_093.mot
- Update image: aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb_093.rsu

5.6.1 Creating an Update Application

The steps in this chapter are the same as those in the [Getting Started Guide](#). Replace the project name, command parameters, etc. with the contents of this application note.

5.6.1.1 Changing the Source Code of the Application

To create an update application,
in `iot-reference-rl78\Configuration\rl78g23-fpb\sensor\cellular\frtos_config\demo_config.h`, change the definition of the `APP_VERSION_BUILD` macro from 2 to 3.

```
iot-reference-rl78\Configuration\rl78g23-  
fpb\sensor\cellular\frtos_config\demo_config.h  
  
/**  
 * @brief Build version of the firmware.  
 *  
 * This is used in the OTA demo to set the appFirmwareVersion variable that  
is  
 * declared in the ota_appversion32.h file in the OTA library.  
 */  
#ifndef APP_VERSION_BUILD  
#define APP_VERSION_BUILD 3  
#endif
```

In `iot-reference-rl78\Demos\Sensor\SensorDemo.c`, change the definition of the `SENSOR_ENABLE_HUMIDITY` macro from 0 to 1.

```
iot-reference-rl78\Demos\Sensor\SensorDemo.c  
  
/* Sensor for HSxxxx series */  
#include "sensor.h"  
#define SENSOR_ENABLE_HUMIDITY ( 1 )
```

5.6.1.2 Building the Update Application

Build the `aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb` project to create a MOT file.

Then, make sure that `aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb.mot` has been overwritten and created in the `HardwareDebug` folder directly under the project folder.

5.6.1.3 Renaming the MOT File of the Update Application

Rename `aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb.mot` to `aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb_093.mot`.

5.6.2 Generating an Update Image by Using Renesas Image Generator

Convert the update application to an update image by using Renesas Image Generator.

(1) Store the following files in the same folder as Renesas Image Generator.

- MOT file of the update application: `aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb_093.mot`
- Private key for update application verification: `secp256r1.privatekey`

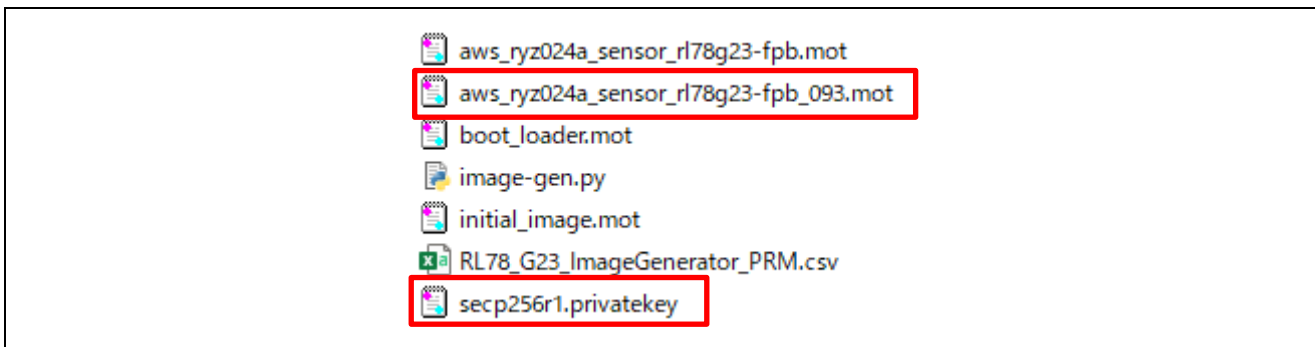


Figure 5-30 Storing Necessary Files in the Same Folder as Renesas Image Generator

(2) Run the following command to generate an update image (`aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb_ota_093.rsu`) in RSU format.

```
python image-gen.py -iup .\aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb_093.mot -o  
aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb_093 -ip .\RL78_G23_ImageGenerator_PRM.csv -vt  
ecdsa -ff RTOS
```

(3) Make sure that `aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb_ota_093.rsu` has been generated.

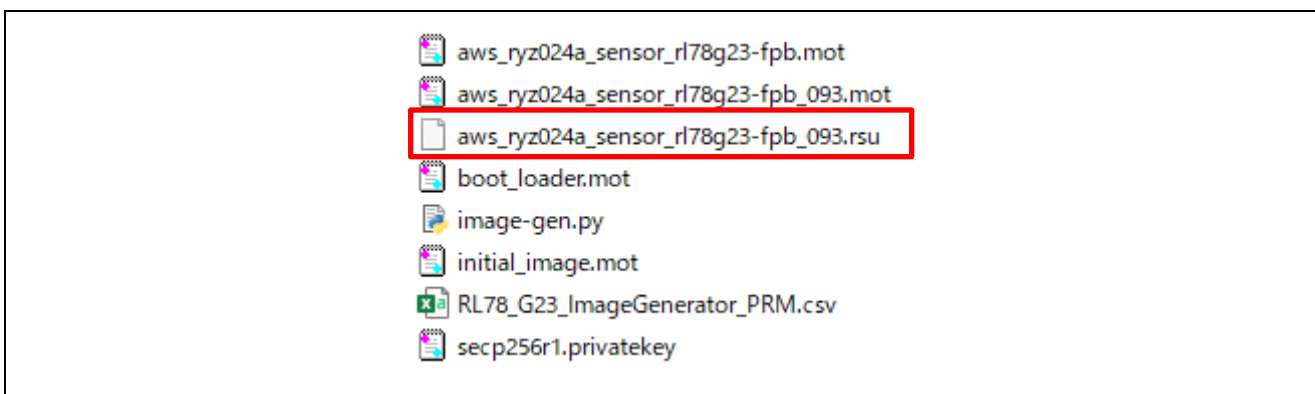


Figure 5-31 Update Image Generated in the Same Folder as Renesas Image Generator

5.7 Running the Demo Project

The following describes the running procedure for the demo project.

5.7.1 Programming the Initial image (initial_image.mot) to Board

- (1) Program the initial image (initial_image.mot).
For the programming method, refer to Chapter 6 Using Renesas Flash Programmer

- (2) Using Renesas Flash Programmer .
- (3) Remove the USB cable to temporarily stop the power supply to the MCU board.
- (4) Reconnect the USB cable to start power supply to the MCU board and start the project.
- (5) Check the terminal to make sure that the initial application (version 0.9.2) has started and sending temperature data obtained from the sensor board.

```
==== RL78G23 : BootLoader [with buffer] ====
verify install area main [sig-sha256-ecdsa]...OK
execute new image ...Hello World.
0 8927 [MAIN_TASK] [INFO] >>> Cellular SIM okay <<<
1 4228 [MAIN_TASK] [INFO] >>> Cellular_GetServiceStatus 0, PS registration status 0 <<<
2 5242 [MAIN_TASK] [INFO] >>> Cellular_GetServiceStatus 0, PS registration status 2 <<<
3 6257 [MAIN_TASK] [INFO] >>> Cellular_GetServiceStatus 0, PS registration status 2 <<<
4 7276 [MAIN_TASK] [INFO] >>> Cellular module registered <<<
-----STARTING DEMO-----
5 8423 [MQTT] [INFO] -----Start MQTT Agent Task-----
6 8424 [MQTT] [INFO] Creating a TLS connection to [redacted].ap-northeast-1.amazonaws.com:8883.
7 10893 [MQTT] [INFO] Creating an MQTT connection to the broker.
8 11987 [MQTT] [INFO] MQTT connection established with the broker.
9 11988 [MQTT] [INFO] Successfully connected to MQTT broker.
11 11985 [OTA Demo Ta] [INFO] -----Start OTA Task-----
12 12001 [OTA Demo Ta] [INFO] OTA over MQTT demo, Application version 0.9.2
13 11988 [MQTT] [INFO] Successfully connected to MQTT broker.
13 12015 [PUBSUB] [INFO] Sending subscribe request to agent for topic filter: iot-[redacted]_tempdata
14 12022 [OTA Demo Ta] [INFO] Received: 0 Queued: 0 Processed: 0 Dropped: 0
15 12030 [OTA Agent T] [INFO] Current State=[RequestingJob], Event=[Start], New state=[RequestingJob]
16 12870 [PUBSUB] [INFO] Successfully subscribed to topic: iot-[redacted]_tempdata
17 12974 [PUBSUB] [INFO] Sending publish request on topic "iot-[redacted]_tempdata"
18 13819 [OTA Agent T] [INFO] Subscribed to topic $aws/things/[redacted]_tempdata/jobs/notify-next.
19 13820 [OTA Agent T] [INFO] Subscribed to MQTT topic: $aws/things/[redacted]_tempdata/jobs/notify-next
20 13919 [MQTT] [INFO] Publishing message to iot-[redacted]_tempdata.
21 14030 [OTA Demo Ta] [INFO] Received: 0 Queued: 0 Processed: 0 Dropped: 0
22 14547 [PUBSUB] [INFO] Successfully sent QoS 0 publish to topic: iot-[redacted]_tempdata (PassCount:1, FailCount:0).
23 14573 [MQTT] [INFO] De-serialized incoming PUBLISH packet: DeserializerResult=MQTTSuccess.
24 14574 [MQTT] [INFO] State record updated. New state=MQTTPublishDone.
25 14583 [MQTT] [INFO] Received incoming publish message {"temperature": 22.09, "warning": 0, "things": "[redacted]"}
26 14690 [MQTT] [INFO] Publishing message to $aws/things/[redacted]_tempdata/jobs/$next/get.
```

Figure 5-32 Initial Application (Version 0.9.2) Started

(6) View the graph in CloudWatch.

- CloudWatch > Logs Insights > Click “Run query”
 - temperature: This is a temperature graph.
 - warning: This is a temperature warning. False if less than 25 degrees (value is 0). True if 25 degrees or higher (value is 50).

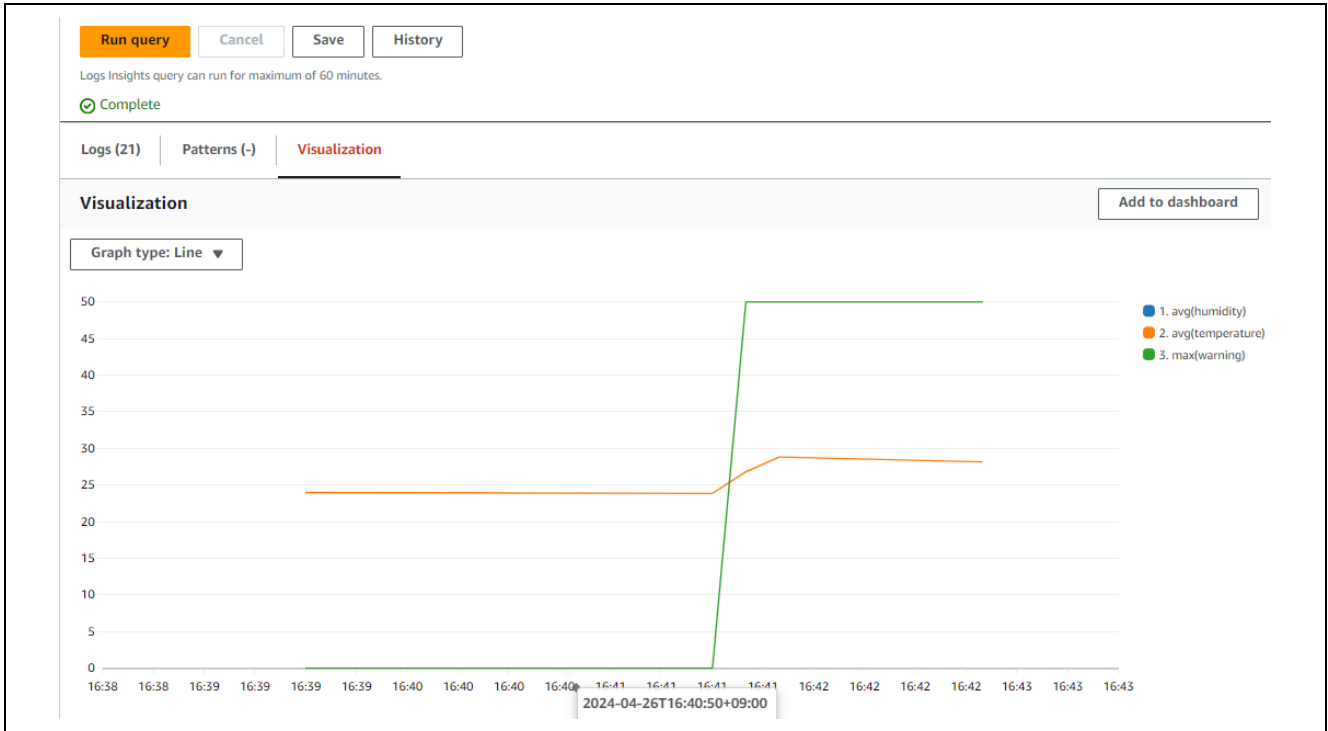


Figure 5-33 Displaying graphs in CloudWatch after launching the Initial Application (version 0.9.2)

5.7.2 Registering the Update Image (aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb_093.rsu) with OTA Jobs

(1) AWS IoT > Manage > Remote actions > Jobs > Click “Create job”

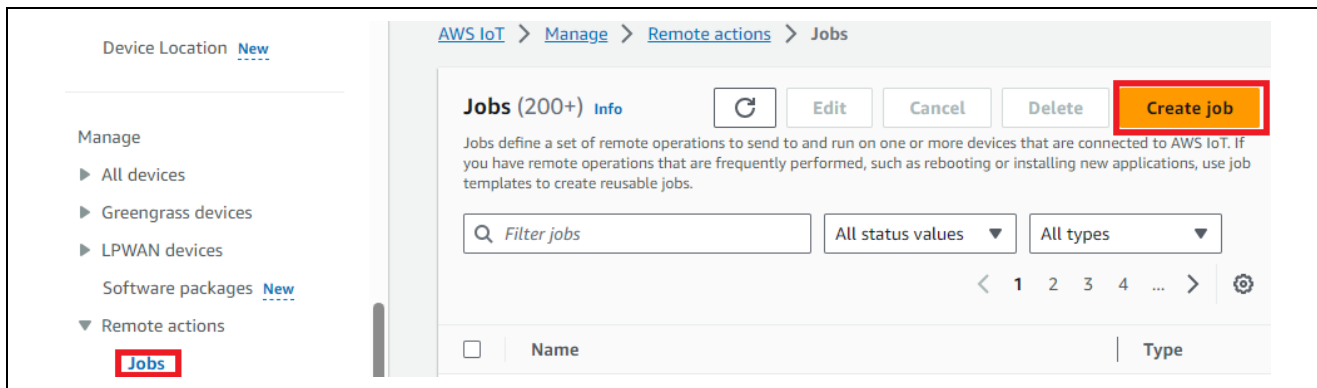


Figure 5-34 Jobs

(2) Check “Create FreeRTOS OTA update job” > Click “Next”

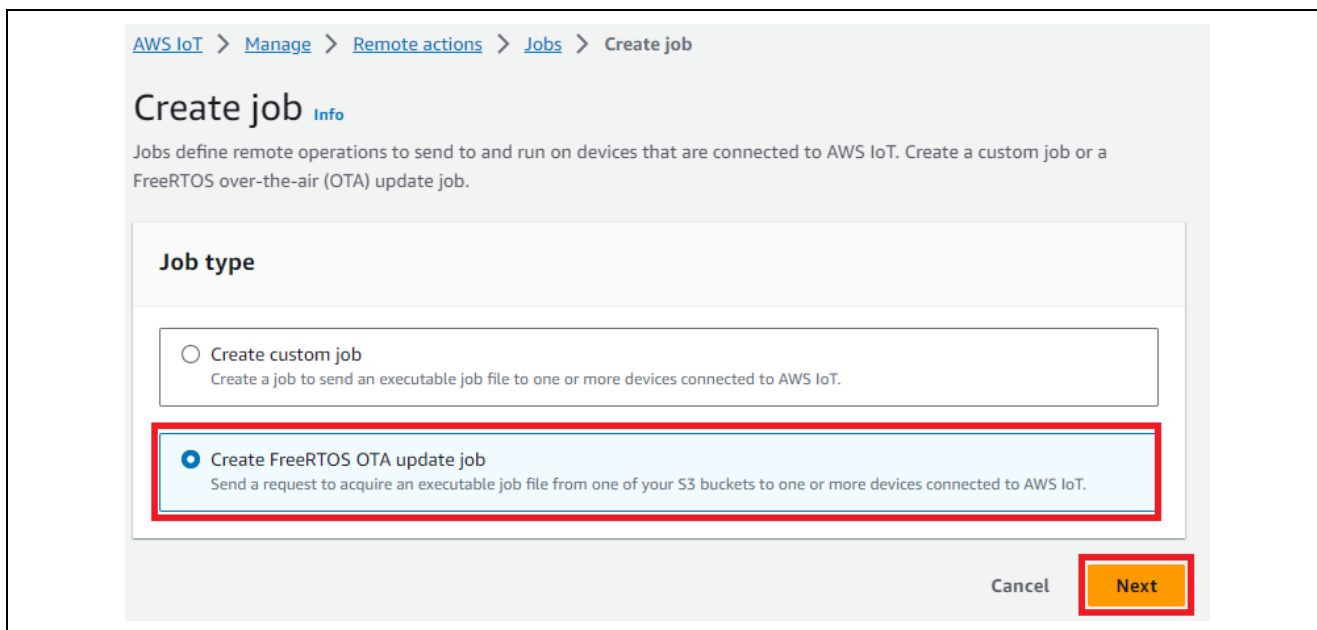
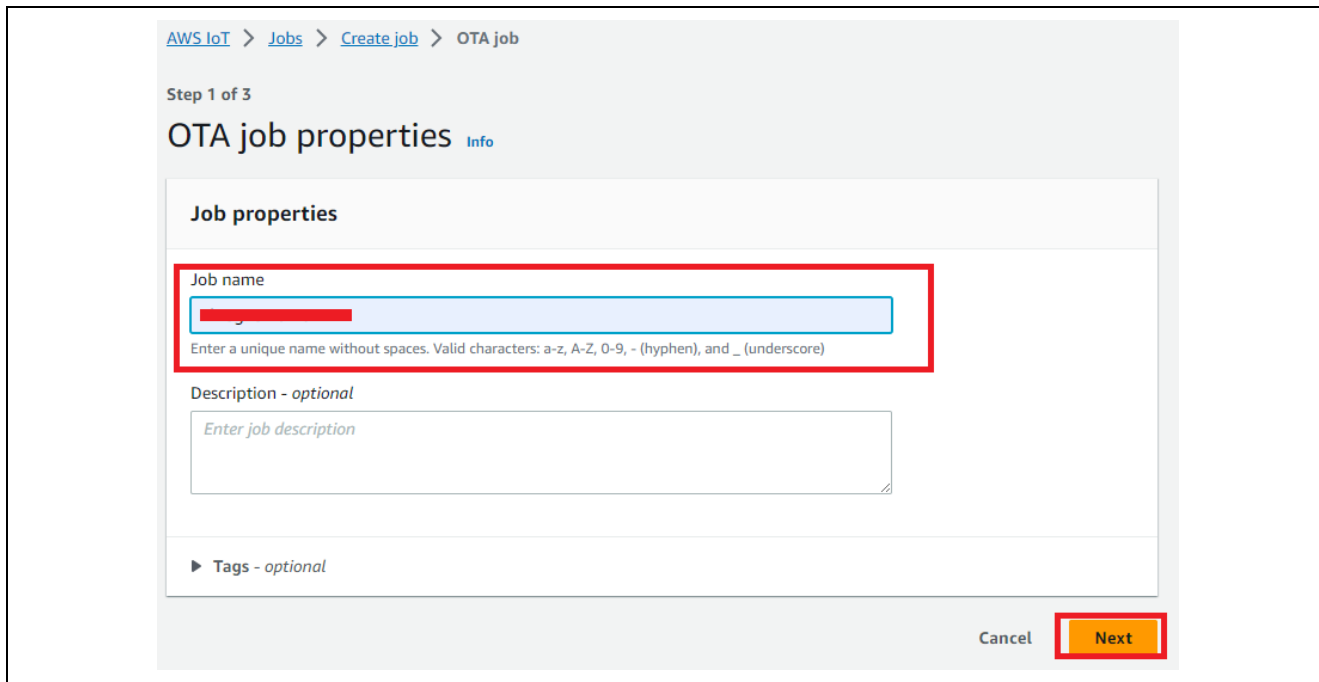


Figure 5-35 Create Job

(3) Step1: OTA job properties

- Job name: Any



The screenshot shows the 'OTA job properties' step in the AWS IoT console. The breadcrumb navigation is 'AWS IoT > Jobs > Create job > OTA job'. The page title is 'Step 1 of 3 OTA job properties'. The 'Job properties' section contains a 'Job name' text input field, which is highlighted with a red box. Below it is a 'Description - optional' text area. At the bottom right, there are 'Cancel' and 'Next' buttons, with 'Next' highlighted in orange.

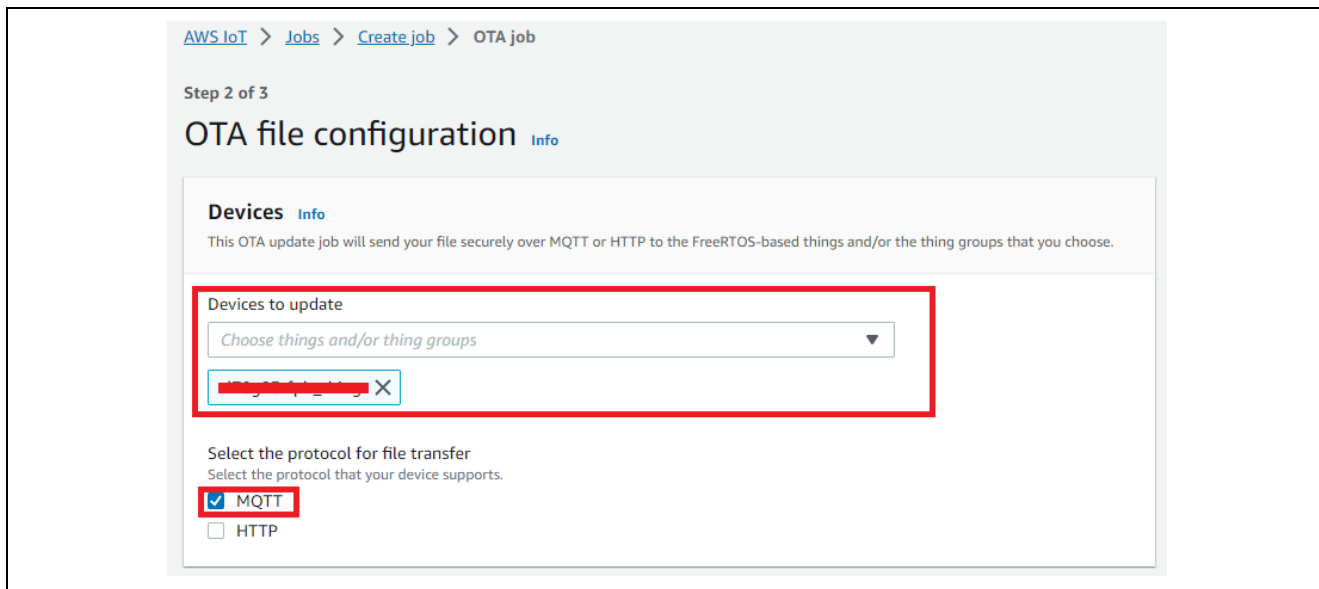
Figure 5-36 Step1: OTA job properties

(4) Step2: OTA file configuration > Devices

- Devices to update: "Name of the thing" in aws_clientcredential.h

```
#define clientcredentialIOT_THING_NAME "YOUR_THING_NAME"
```

- Select the protocol for file transfer: MQTT



The screenshot shows the 'OTA file configuration' step in the AWS IoT console. The breadcrumb navigation is 'AWS IoT > Jobs > Create job > OTA job'. The page title is 'Step 2 of 3 OTA file configuration'. The 'Devices' section contains a 'Devices to update' dropdown menu, which is highlighted with a red box. Below it, there is a section for 'Select the protocol for file transfer' with two radio buttons: 'MQTT' (checked) and 'HTTP'. The 'MQTT' radio button is also highlighted with a red box.

Figure 5-37 Step2: OTA file configuration > Devices

(5) Step2: OTA file configurations > File

- Sign and choose your file: Sign a new file for me.

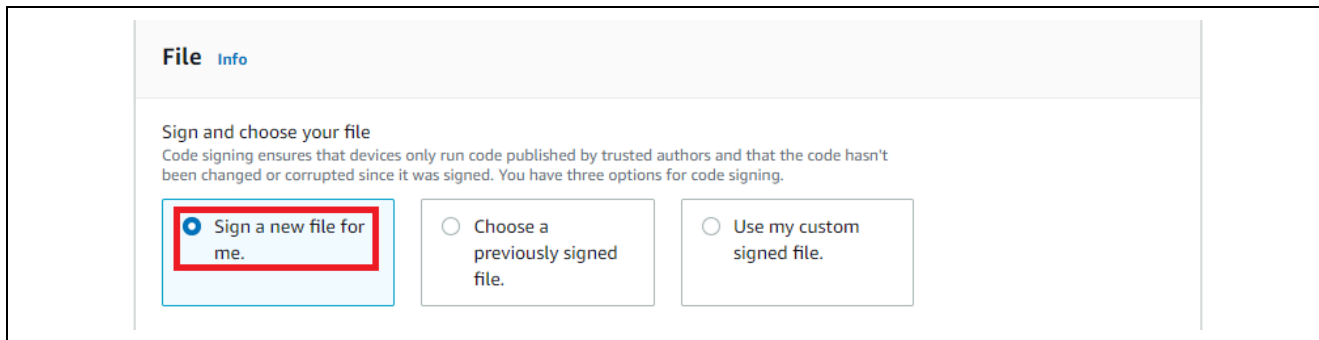


Figure 5-38 Step2: OTA file configurations > File (1)

- Code signing profile: Click “Create new profile”

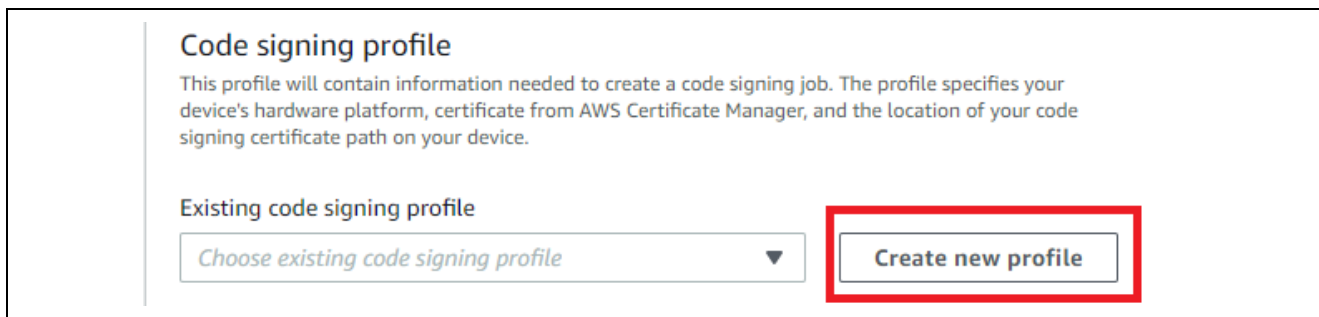


Figure 5-39 Step2: OTA file configurations > File (2)

- Create a code signing profile.
 - Profile name: Any (Example: rl78g23_fpb_ota_cert)
 - Device hardware platform: Windows Simulator
 - Code signing certificate: "Import new code signing certificate"
 - Certificate body: secp256r1.crt
 - Certificate private key: secp256r1.privatekey
 - Certificate chain - optional: ca.crt
 - Path name of code signing certificate on device: Any

Create a code signing profile [X]

Profile name
[rl78g23_fpb_ota_cert]
Enter a unique name without spaces. Valid characters: a-z, A-Z, 0-9, and _ (underscore)

Device hardware platform
Windows Simulator

Code signing certificate
AWS Certificate Manager (ACM) handles the complexity of creating, managing, or importing SSL/TLS certificates. You can use ACM to create an ACM Certificate or import a third-party certificate that you use for signing. You must have a certificate to sign code.

Import new code signing certificate Select an existing certificate

Certificates

Certificate body	secp256r1.crt 906 bytes Uploaded
Certificate private key	secp256r1.privatekey 232 bytes Uploaded
Certificate chain - optional	ca.crt 1030 bytes Uploaded

Import

Path name of code signing certificate on device
This is the name and location of the certificate that your FreeRTOS device firmware uses to perform OTA image signature verification.
[certificates/rl78g23_fpb_ota_cert]

Cancel **Create**

Figure 5-40 Create a code signing profile

- File > “Upload a new file.” > “Choose file” > aws_ryz024a_sensor_r178g23-fpb_093.rsu

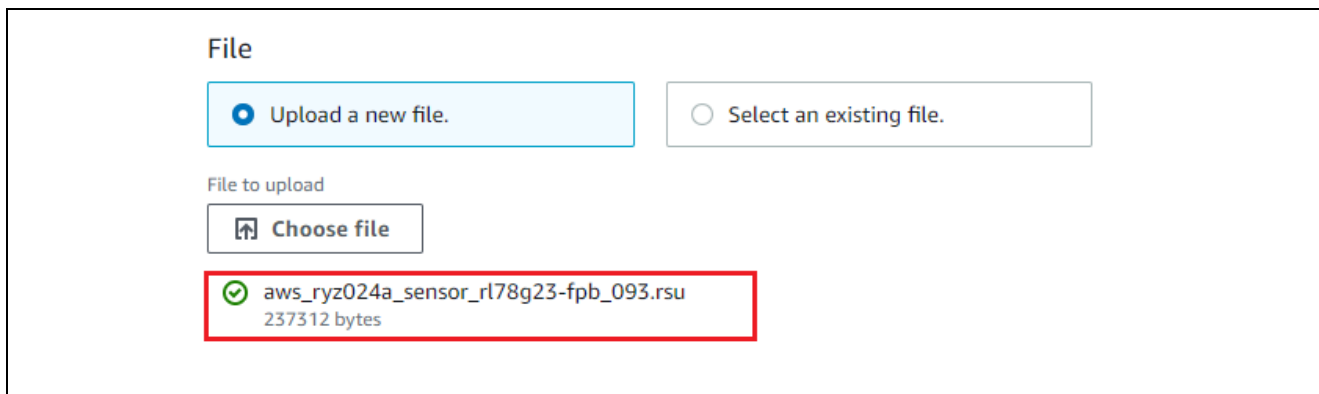


Figure 5-41 Upload a new file > aws_ryz024a_sensor_r178g23-fpb_093.rsu

- File upload location in S3: Specify the created bucket (Bucket name specified in 5.4.2.1 Creating Amazon S3 Buckets)
- Path name of file on the device: Any

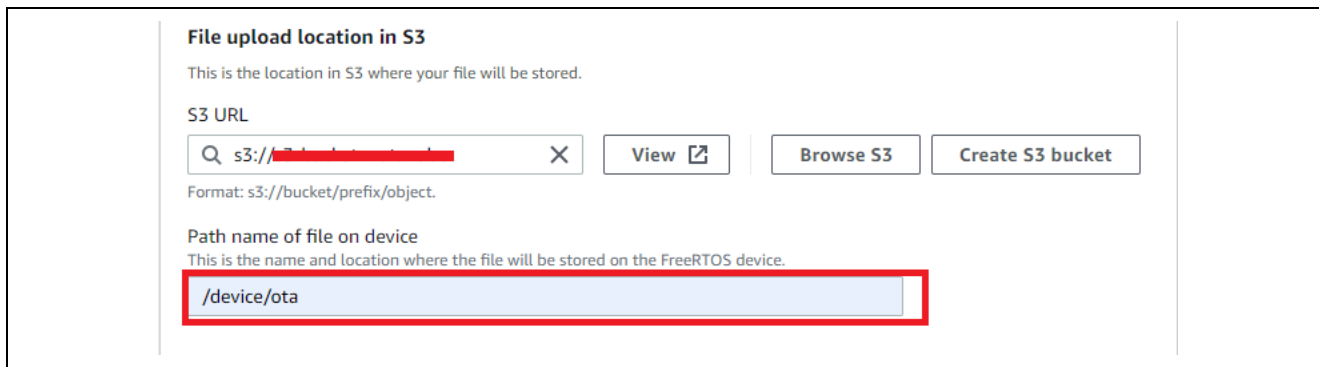


Figure 5-42 File upload location in S3

(6) Step2: OTA file configurations > IAM role

- Role: Specify the created role (Role name specified in 5.4.2.2 Creating an OTA Update Service Role)

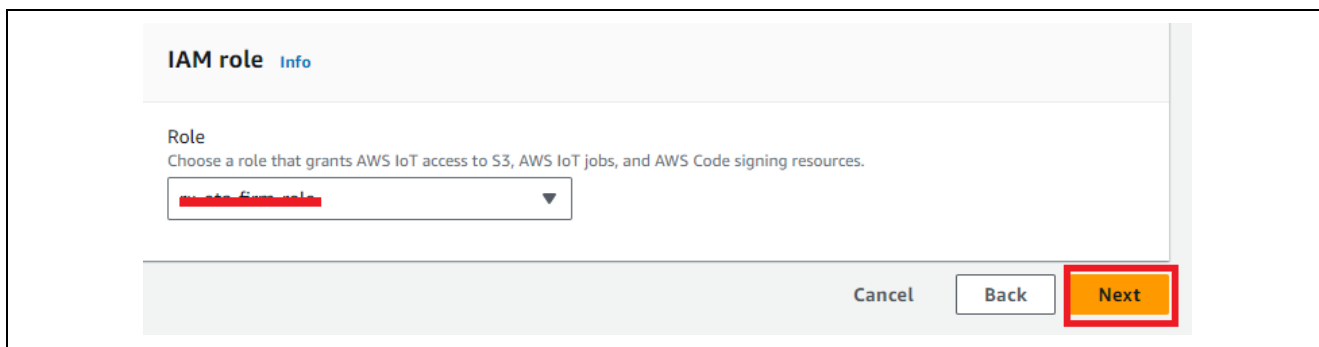


Figure 5-43 Step2: OTA file configurations > IAM role

(7) Step3: OTA job configuration

- Job run type: Your job will complete after deploying to the devices and groups that you chose (snapshot)

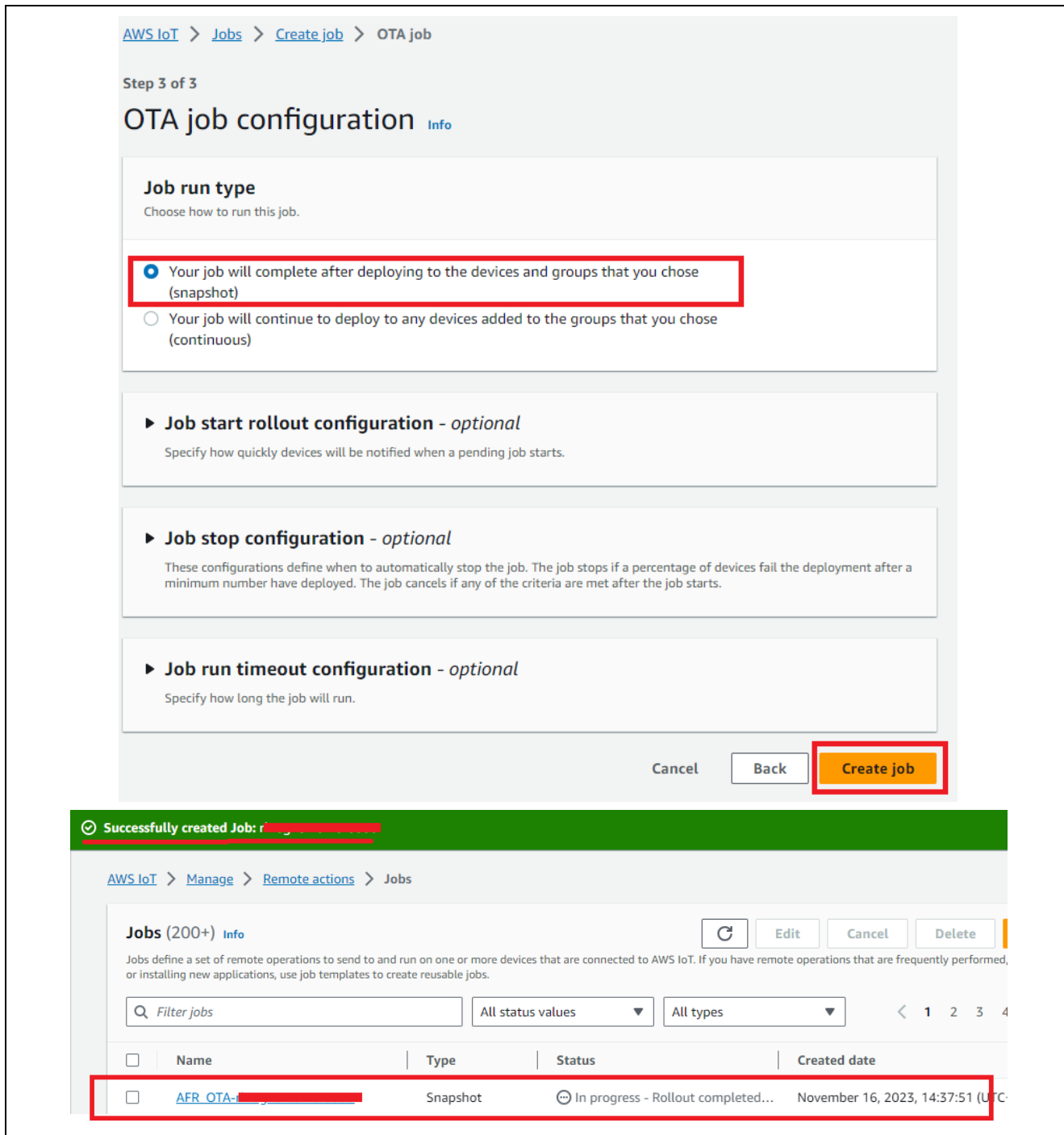


Figure 5-44 Step3: OTA job configuration

- (8) After a while (it may be about 10 minutes), the log of programming the update image to the MCU board is output to the terminal.

```
425 160746 [MQTT] [INFO] State record updated. New state=MQTTPublishDone.
426 160755 [MQTT] [INFO] Received data message callback, size 1048.

427 160785 [OTA Agent T] [INFO] Received valid file block: Block index=0, Size=0
428 160773 [OTA Agent T] W 0x59200, 256 ... OK

429 160782 [OTA Agent T] W 0x59300, 768 ... OK

430 160786 [OTA Agent T] [INFO] Number of blocks remaining: 231
431 161069 [MQTT] [INFO] De-serialized incoming PUBLISH packet: DeserializerResult=MQTTSuccess.
```

Figure 5-45 Programming the Update Image to the MCU Board

- (9) After the writing is completed, confirm that the Update Image (version 0.9.3) starts and sends the temperature and humidity data obtained from the sensor board.

```
11 11943 [PUBSUB] [INFO] -----Start PubSub Demo Task 0-----
10 11942 [OTA Demo Ta] [INFO] -----Start OTA Task-----

12 11955 [OTA Demo Ta] [INFO] OTA over MQTT demo, Application version 0.9.3
13 11961 [PUBSUB] [INFO] sending subscribe request to agent for topic #1: iot-XXXXXXXXXX-be_tempdata
14 11971 [OTA Demo Ta] [INFO] Received: 0 Queued: 0 Processed: 0 Dropped: 0
15 11978 [OTA Agent T] [INFO] Current State=[RequestingJob], Event=[Start], New state=[RequestingJob]
16 12819 [PUBSUB] [INFO] Successfully subscribed to topic: iot-XXXXXXXXXX-be_tempdata
17 12934 [PUBSUB] [INFO] Sending publish request on topic "iot-XXXXXXXXXX-be_tempdata"
18 13767 [OTA Agent T] [INFO] Subscribed to topic $aws/things/iot-XXXXXXXXXX-be/jobs/notify-next.

19 13788 [OTA Agent T] [INFO] Subscribed to MQTT topic: $aws/things/iot-XXXXXXXXXX-be/jobs/notify-next
20 13867 [MQTT] [INFO] Publishing message to iot-XXXXXXXXXX-be_tempdata.

21 13978 [OTA Demo Ta] [INFO] Received: 0 Queued: 0 Processed: 0 Dropped: 0
22 14497 [PUBSUB] [INFO] Successfully sent QoS 0 publish to topic: iot-XXXXXXXXXX-be_tempdata (PassCount:1, FailCount:0).
23 14597 [MQTT] [INFO] Publishing message to $aws/things/iot-XXXXXXXXXX-be/jobs/$next/get.

24 15459 [MQTT] [INFO] De-serialized incoming PUBLISH packet: DeserializerResult=MQTTSuccess.
25 15469 [MQTT] [INFO] State record updated. New state=MQTTPublishDone.
26 15489 [MQTT] [INFO] Received incoming publish message {"temperature": 22.14,"humidity": 59.01,"warning": 0,"things": "iot-XXXXXXXXXX-be"}
27 15567 [MQTT] [INFO] Ack packet deserialized with result: mqttsuccess.
```

Figure 5-46 Update Image (Version 0.9.3) Started after Programming Terminates

(10) View the graph in CloudWatch.

- CloudWatch > Logs Insights > Click “Run query”
 - humidity: This is a humidity graph.
 - temperature: This is a temperature graph.
 - warning: This is a temperature warning. False if less than 25 degrees (value is 0). True if 25 degrees or higher (value is 50).

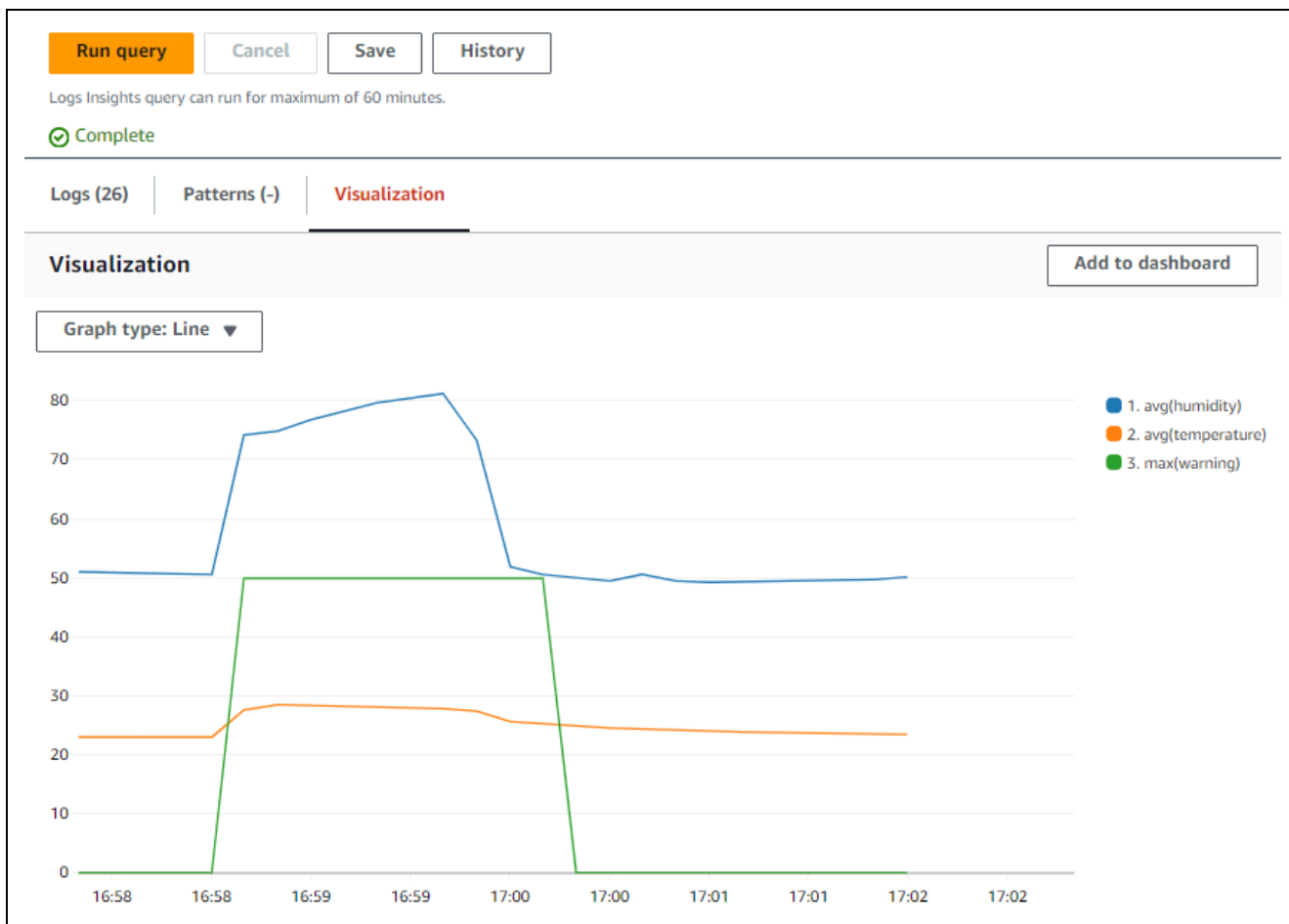


Figure 5-47 Displaying graphs in CloudWatch after launching the Update Image (version 0.9.3)

5.8 Debugging the Initial Application

The following describes the procedure for starting the initial application from e² studio and debugging it. Because the bootloader is not used in this procedure, downloaded update images cannot be started.

(1) Change the setting to not use the bootloader.

Change the “USE_BOOTLOADER_V2” macro of the aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb project to 0, and then click “Apply and Close”.

- Configuration: HardwareDebug
- Languages: GNU C
- USE_BOOTLOADER_V2: 0

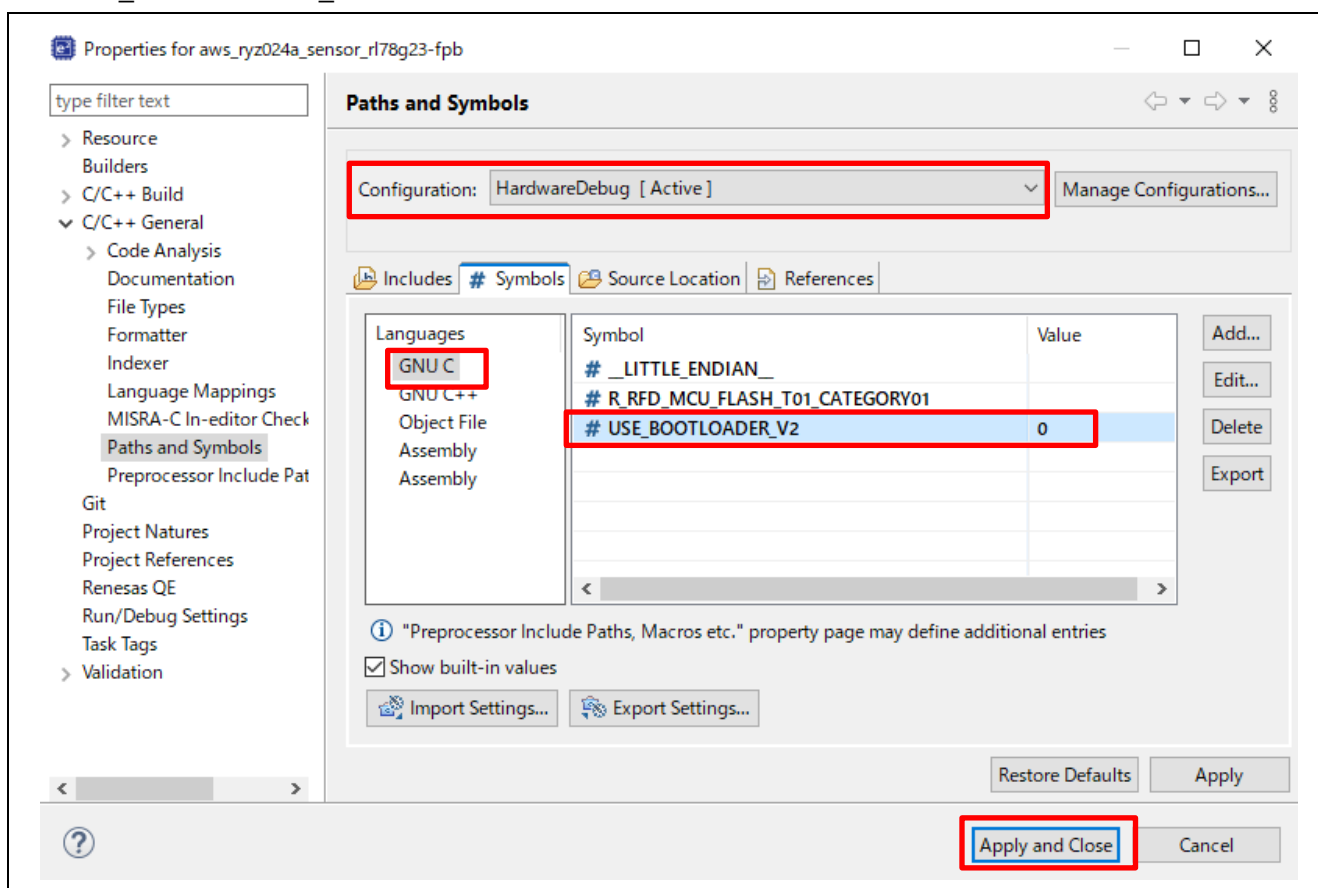


Figure 5-48 Setting the “USE_BOOTLOADER_V2” Macro to 0

(2) Build the aws_ryz024a_sensor_rl78g23-fpb project.

(3) Start debugging.

Refer to Chapter 7, Debug Procedure.

6. Using Renesas Flash Programmer

Refer to section 7. Using Renesas Flash Programmer in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

7. Debug Procedure

Refer to section 8. Debug Procedure in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

8. Appendix

8.1 Precautions on Porting Third-Party Libraries to RL78

Because RL78 is a 16-bit system, the following must be noted when applying a third-party library to RL78.

8.1.1 Width of int Is 16 Bits

Refer to section 9.1.1 Width of int Is 16 Bits in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

8.1.2 Size Limitation of Section

Refer to section 9.1.2 Size Limitation of Section in the [Getting Started Guide](#).

8.2 License Information for Open Source Software Used with Demo Projects

The demo projects of this product use the Open Source Software (OSS). The user must comply with the license terms stipulated by OSS. Check the license terms on the official website of the respective OSS. Table 1-4 Operation Confirmation Conditions (Others, such as OSS Library) shows the link of each OSS.

9. Websites and Supports

Sample programs in this Getting Started Guide: <https://github.com/renesas/iot-reference-rl78>

AWS forum: <http://forums.aws.amazon.com>

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General Precautions in the Handling of Microprocessing Unit and Microcontroller Unit Products

The following usage notes are applicable to all Microprocessing unit and Microcontroller unit products from Renesas. For detailed usage notes on the products covered by this document, refer to the relevant sections of the document as well as any technical updates that have been issued for the products.

1. Precaution against Electrostatic Discharge (ESD)

A strong electrical field, when exposed to a CMOS device, can cause destruction of the gate oxide and ultimately degrade the device operation. Steps must be taken to stop the generation of static electricity as much as possible, and quickly dissipate it when it occurs. Environmental control must be adequate. When it is dry, a humidifier should be used. This is recommended to avoid using insulators that can easily build up static electricity.

Semiconductor devices must be stored and transported in an anti-static container, static shielding bag or conductive material. All test and measurement tools including work benches and floors must be grounded. The operator must also be grounded using a wrist strap. Semiconductor devices must not be touched with bare hands. Similar precautions must be taken for printed circuit boards with mounted semiconductor devices.

2. Processing at power-on

The state of the product is undefined at the time when power is supplied. The states of internal circuits in the LSI are indeterminate and the states of register settings and pins are undefined at the time when power is supplied. In a finished product where the reset signal is applied to the external reset pin, the states of pins are not guaranteed from the time when power is supplied until the reset process is completed. In a similar way, the states of pins in a product that is reset by an on-chip power-on reset function are not guaranteed from the time when power is supplied until the power reaches the level at which resetting is specified.

3. Input of signal during power-off state

Do not input signals or an I/O pull-up power supply while the device is powered off. The current injection that results from input of such a signal or I/O pull-up power supply may cause malfunction and the abnormal current that passes in the device at this time may cause degradation of internal elements. Follow the guideline for input signal during power-off state as described in your product documentation.

4. Handling of unused pins

Handle unused pins in accordance with the directions given under handling of unused pins in the manual. The input pins of CMOS products are generally in the high-impedance state. In operation with an unused pin in the open-circuit state, extra electromagnetic noise is induced in the vicinity of the LSI, an associated shoot-through current flows internally, and malfunctions occur due to the false recognition of the pin state as an input signal become possible.

5. Clock signals

After applying a reset, only release the reset line after the operating clock signal becomes stable. When switching the clock signal during program execution, wait until the target clock signal is stabilized. When the clock signal is generated with an external resonator or from an external oscillator during a reset, ensure that the reset line is only released after full stabilization of the clock signal. Additionally, when switching to a clock signal produced with an external resonator or by an external oscillator while program execution is in progress, wait until the target clock signal is stable.

6. Voltage application waveform at input pin

Waveform distortion due to input noise or a reflected wave may cause malfunction. If the input of the CMOS device stays in the area between V_{IL} (Max.) and V_{IH} (Min.) due to noise, for example, the device may malfunction. Take care to prevent chattering noise from entering the device when the input level is fixed, and also in the transition period when the input level passes through the area between V_{IL} (Max.) and V_{IH} (Min.).

7. Prohibition of access to reserved addresses

Access to reserved addresses is prohibited. The reserved addresses are provided for possible future expansion of functions. Do not access these addresses as the correct operation of the LSI is not guaranteed.

8. Differences between products

Before changing from one product to another, for example to a product with a different part number, confirm that the change will not lead to problems. The characteristics of a microprocessing unit or microcontroller unit products in the same group but having a different part number might differ in terms of internal memory capacity, layout pattern, and other factors, which can affect the ranges of electrical characteristics, such as characteristic values, operating margins, immunity to noise, and amount of radiated noise. When changing to a product with a different part number, implement a system-evaluation test for the given product.

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