

# Yocto Project and OpenEmbedded training 3-day session

Title	Yocto Project and OpenEmbedded development training
Overview	Understanding the Yocto Project Using it to build a root filesystem and run it on your target Writing and extending recipes Creating layers Integrating your board in a BSP Creating custom images Application development with the Yocto Project SDK
Materials	Check that the course contents correspond to your needs: https://bootlin.com/doc/training/yocto.
Duration	<b>Three</b> days - 24 hours (8 hours per day). 40% of lectures, 60% of practical labs.
Trainer	One of the engineers listed on https://bootlin.com/training/trainers/
Language	Oral lectures: English, French.  Materials: English.
Audience	Companies and engineers interested in using the Yocto Project to build their embedded Linux system.
Prerequisites	<pre>Knowledge of embedded Linux as covered in our embedded Linux training (https://bootlin.com/training/embedded-linux/)  Knowledge and practice of UNIX or GNU/Linux commands People lacking experience on this topic should get trained by themselves, for example with our freely available on-line slides: https://bootlin.com/blog/command-line/</pre>



Required equipment	<ul> <li>For on-site sessions only.</li> <li>Everything is supplied by Bootlin in public sessions.</li> <li>Video projector</li> <li>PC computers with at least 8 GB of RAM, a CPU at least equivalent to an Intel Core i5 and Ubuntu Linux installed in a free partition of at least 40 GB. Using Linux in a virtual machine is not supported, because of issues connecting to real hardware.</li> <li>We need Ubuntu Desktop 16.04 (Xubuntu and other variants are fine). We don't support other distributions, because we can't test all possible package versions.</li> <li>High Speed Connection to the Internet (direct or through the company proxy).</li> <li>PC computers with valuable data must be backed up before being used in our sessions. Some people have already made mistakes during our sessions and damaged work data.</li> </ul>
Materials	Electronic copies of presentations and labs. Electronic copy of lab files.

#### Hardware, first option

#### BeagleBone Black board

- An ARM AM335x processor from Texas Instruments (Cortex-A8 based), 3D acceleration, etc.
- 512 MB of RAM
- 2 GB of on-board eMMC storage (4 GB in Rev C)
- USB host and device
- HDMI output
- 2 x 46 pins headers, to access UARTs, SPI buses, I2C buses and more.



#### Hardware, second option

STMicroelectronics STM32MP157A-DK1 Discovery board

- STM32MP157A (dual Cortex-A7) CPU from STMicroelectronics
- · USB powered
- 512 MB DDR3L RAM
- Gigabit Ethernet port
- 4 USB 2.0 host ports
- 1 USB-C OTG port
- 1 Micro SD slot
- · On-board ST-LINK/V2-1 debugger
- Arduino Uno v3-compatible headers
- Audio codec
- Misc: buttons, LEDs





## Day 1 - Morning

#### Lecture - Introduction to embedded Linux build systems

- Overview of an embedded Linux system architecture
- Methods to build a root filesystem image
- Usefulness of build systems

## Lecture - Overview of the Yocto Project and the Poky reference system

#### Lab - First Yocto Project build

- Organization of the project source tree
- Building a root filesystem image using the Yocto Project
- Downloading the Poky reference build system
- · Building a system image

## Day 1 - Afternoon

#### **Lecture - Using Yocto Project - basics**

#### Lab - Flashing and booting

- Organization of the build output
- Flashing and installing the system image
- Flashing and booting the image on the board

#### **Lecture - Using Yocto Project - advanced usage**

#### **Lab** - Using NFS and configuring the build

- Configuring the build system
- Customizing the package selection
- Configuring the board to boot over NFS
- Learn how to use the PREFERRED\_ PROVIDER mechanism



## Day 2 - Morning

#### **Lecture - Writing recipes - basics**

- Writing a minimal recipe
- Adding dependencies
- Development workflow with bitbake

#### Lab - Adding an application to the build

- Writing a recipe for nInvaders
- Adding *nInvaders* to the final image

#### **Lecture - Writing recipes - advanced features**

- Extending and overriding recipes
- Adding steps to the build process
- Learn about classes
- Analysis of examples
- Logging
- Debugging dependencies

## Day 2 - Afternoon

#### Lab - Learning how to configure packages

- Extending a recipe to add configuration files
- Using ROOTFS\_POSTPROCESS\_COMMAND to modify the final rootfs
- Studying package dependencies

#### **Lecture - Layers**

- What layers are
- Where to find layers
- · Creating a layer

#### Lab - Writing a layer

- Learn how to write a layer
- Add the layer to the build
- Move *nInvaders* to the new layer



## Day 3 - Morning

#### **Lecture - Writing a BSP**

- Extending an existing BSP
- Adding a new machine
- Bootloaders
- Linux and the linux-yocto recipe
- Adding a custom image type

#### **Lab** - Implementing the kernel changes

- Extend the kernel recipe to add the nunchuk
- Configure the kernel to compile the nunchuk driver
- Play nInvaders

## Day 3 - Afternoon

#### **Lecture - Creating a custom image**

- Writing an image recipe
- Adding users/groups
- Adding custom configuration
- Writing and using package groups recipes

#### Lab - Creating a custom image

- Writing a custom image recipe
- Adding *nInvaders* to the custom image

#### **Lecture - Creating and using an SDK**

- Understanding the purpose of an SDK for the application developer
- Building an SDK for the custom image

#### **Lab** - Experimenting with the SDK

- · Building an SDK
- Using the Yocto Project SDK