

# Yocto Project and OpenEmbedded training

## 3-day session

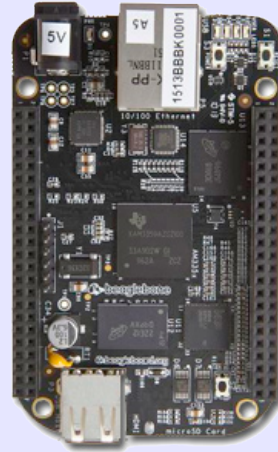
<b>Title</b>	<b>Yocto Project and OpenEmbedded development training</b>
<b>Overview</b>	<p>Understanding the Yocto Project</p> <p>Using it to build a root filesystem and run it on your target</p> <p>Writing and extending recipes</p> <p>Creating layers</p> <p>Integrating your board in a BSP</p> <p>Creating custom images</p> <p>Application development with the Yocto Project SDK</p>
<b>Duration</b>	<p><b>Three</b> days - 24 hours (8 hours per day).</p> <p>40% of lectures, 60% of practical labs.</p>
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<b>Language</b>	<p>Oral lectures: English.</p> <p>Materials: English.</p>
<b>Audience</b>	Companies and engineers interested in using the Yocto Project to build their embedded Linux system.
<b>Prerequisites</b>	<p><b>Knowledge of embedded Linux</b> as covered in the embedded Linux training (<a href="https://bootlin.com/training/embedded-linux/">https://bootlin.com/training/embedded-linux/</a>)</p> <p><b>Knowledge and practice of UNIX or GNU/Linux commands</b></p> <p>People lacking experience on this topic should get trained by themselves, for example with the freely available on-line slides: <a href="https://bootlin.com/blog/command-line/">https://bootlin.com/blog/command-line/</a></p>
<b>Required equipment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PC computers or VMs with at least 8 GB of RAM, a CPU at least equivalent to an Intel Core i5 and Ubuntu Linux installed in a <b>free partition of at least 50 GB</b>.</li> <li>• We need Ubuntu Desktop 16.04 (Xubuntu and other variants are fine) or Debian. We don't support other distributions, because we can't test all possible package versions.</li> <li>• <b>High Speed Connection to the Internet</b> (direct or through the company proxy).</li> <li>• <b>PC computers with valuable data must be backed up</b> before being used in our sessions. Some people have already made mistakes during our sessions and damaged work data.</li> </ul>
<b>Materials</b>	<p>Electronic copies of presentations and labs.</p> <p>Electronic copy of lab files.</p>



## Hardware

### 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.





## Day 1 - Morning

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### 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

- Organization of the project source tree
- Building a root filesystem image using the Yocto Project

### Lab - First Yocto Project build

- Downloading the Poky reference build system
- Building a system image

## Day 1 - Afternoon

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### Lecture - Using Yocto Project - basics

- Organization of the build output
- Flashing and installing the system image

### Lab - Flashing and booting

- Flashing and booting the image on the board

### Lecture - Using Yocto Project - advanced usage

- Configuring the build system
- Customizing the package selection

### Lab - Using NFS and configuring the build

- Configuring the board to boot over NFS
- Learn how to use the `PREFERRED_PROVIDER` mechanism



## Day 2 - Morning

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### 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

### 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

## Day 2 - Afternoon

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### Lecture - Writing recipes - advanced features

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

### Lab - Extending a recipe

- Applying patches to an existing recipe
- Using a custom configuration file for an existing recipe
- Extending a recipe to fit your needs



## Day 3 - Morning

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### 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 - Create a custom machine configuration

- Creating a custom machine configuration
- Understanding how the target architecture is dynamically chosen

## Day 3 - Afternoon

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### 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
- Choosing the exact packages for the board

### 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