



DPDK-in-a-Box

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Agenda



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Who Am I

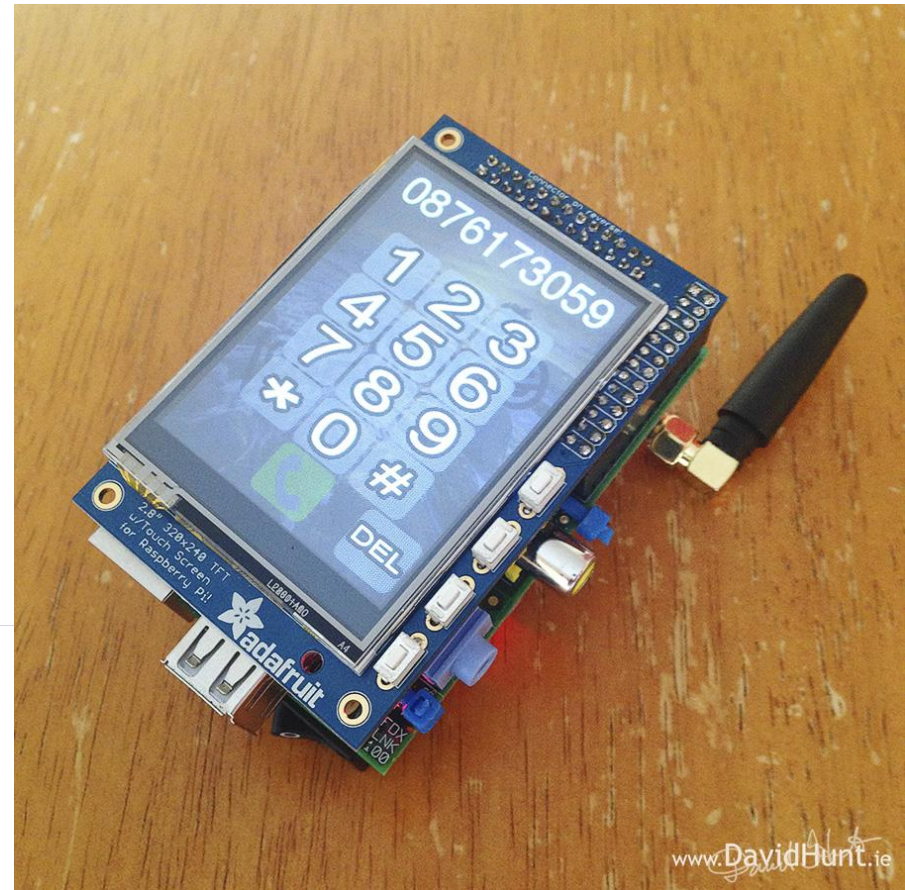


Member of the DPDK family...

Also a “Maker” ...

- ▶ PiPhone inventor – DIY cellphone
- ▶ Motorized Timelapse Rail System
- ▶ Still inventing...

Main hobby is embedded systems



What is "DPDK-in-a-Box"?



▶ Small form factor Linux Box

- ▶ Maker world intersecting with the DPDK world

▶ Components

- ▶ Single Board Computer (Minnowboard Turbot)
 - ▶ Intel® Atom™ Processor E3826 (1M Cache, 1.46 GHz)
- ▶ Silverjaw Lure Daughterboard
 - ▶ miniPCI slot
- ▶ Intel® Ethernet Controller I350 (Dual Gigabit)
 - ▶ Insert into miniPCI slot



What is “DPDK-in-a-Box” for?



▶ Training

- ▶ Offers realistic, hands-on experience
- ▶ Packets transfer between students

▶ Academic Research

- ▶ Lower cost solution for wider distribution
- ▶ Easier to research DPDK use cases

▶ Exhibitions

- ▶ Self contained, portable system
- ▶ Independent of network infrastructure



Minnowboard Turbot based



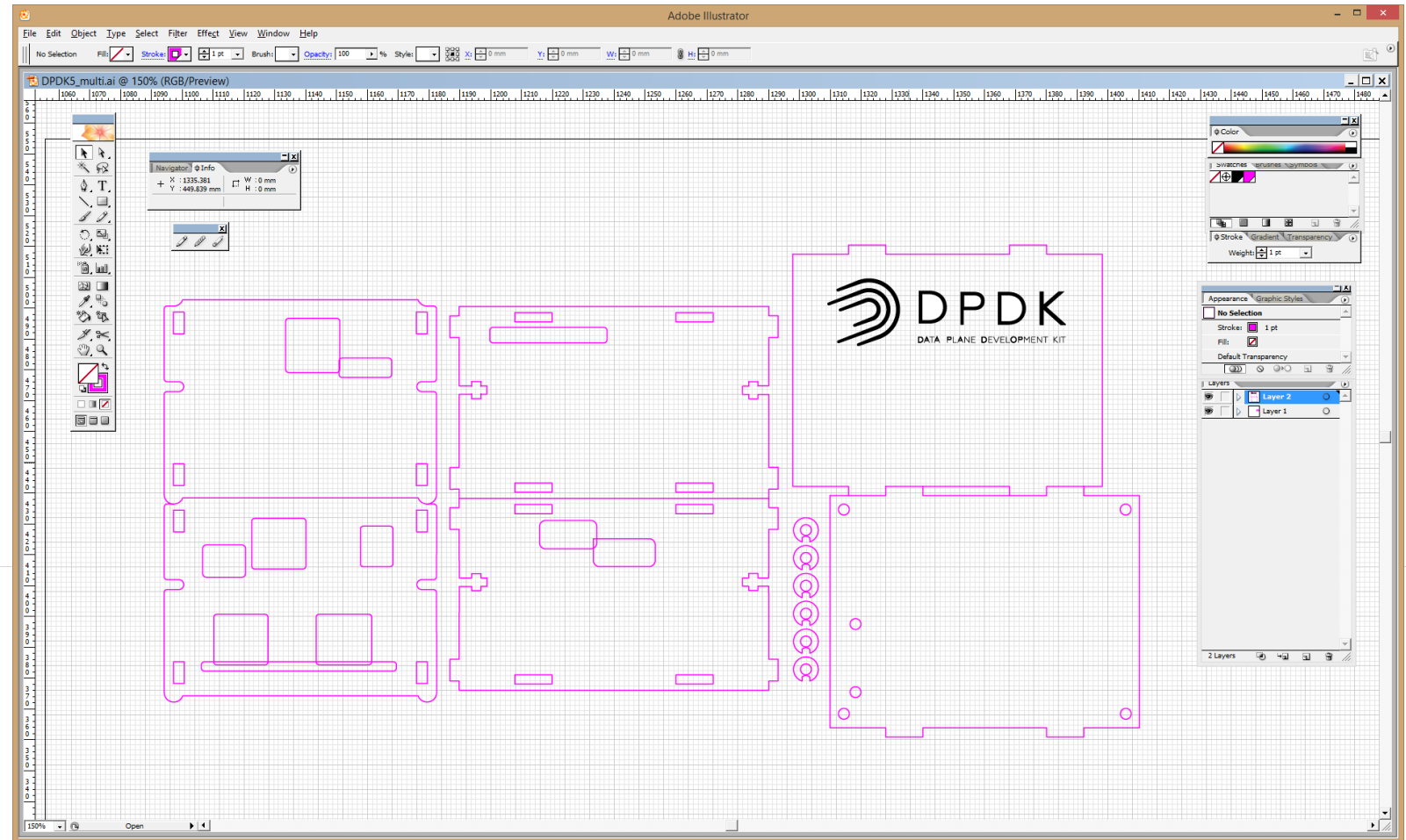
- ▶ Low-cost single board computer running Ubuntu Desktop
- ▶ Can be used standalone with monitor, keyboard & mouse



Laser-cut acrylic case



- ▶ Including etched DPDK logo
- ▶ Design with captive nuts & slots for easy assembly
- ▶ Open source design, users can download and cut themselves



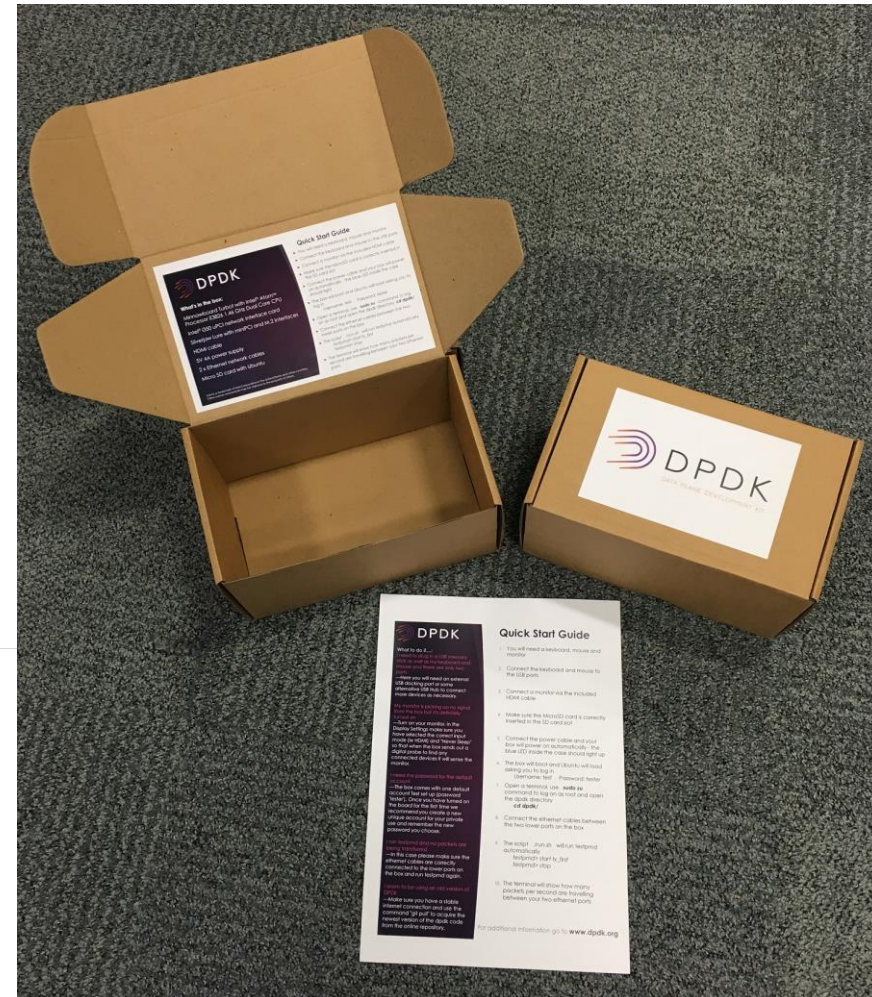
Quick-start Guides



▶ Getting Started

- ▶ Insert SD card
- ▶ Connect keyboard and mouse
- ▶ Power on
- ▶ Run your first DPDK program

(More information regarding DPDK on dpdk.org)



“Known” System for training



- ▶ Standard Operating System Installation
 - ▶ Predictable Network Interface Setup
 - ▶ Predictable resource availability
 - ▶ Scope of what can go wrong is limited
 - ▶ Apps run in standard way with known flags
- ▶ Student physically sets up system
 - ▶ More tactile experience

Approximate Costs

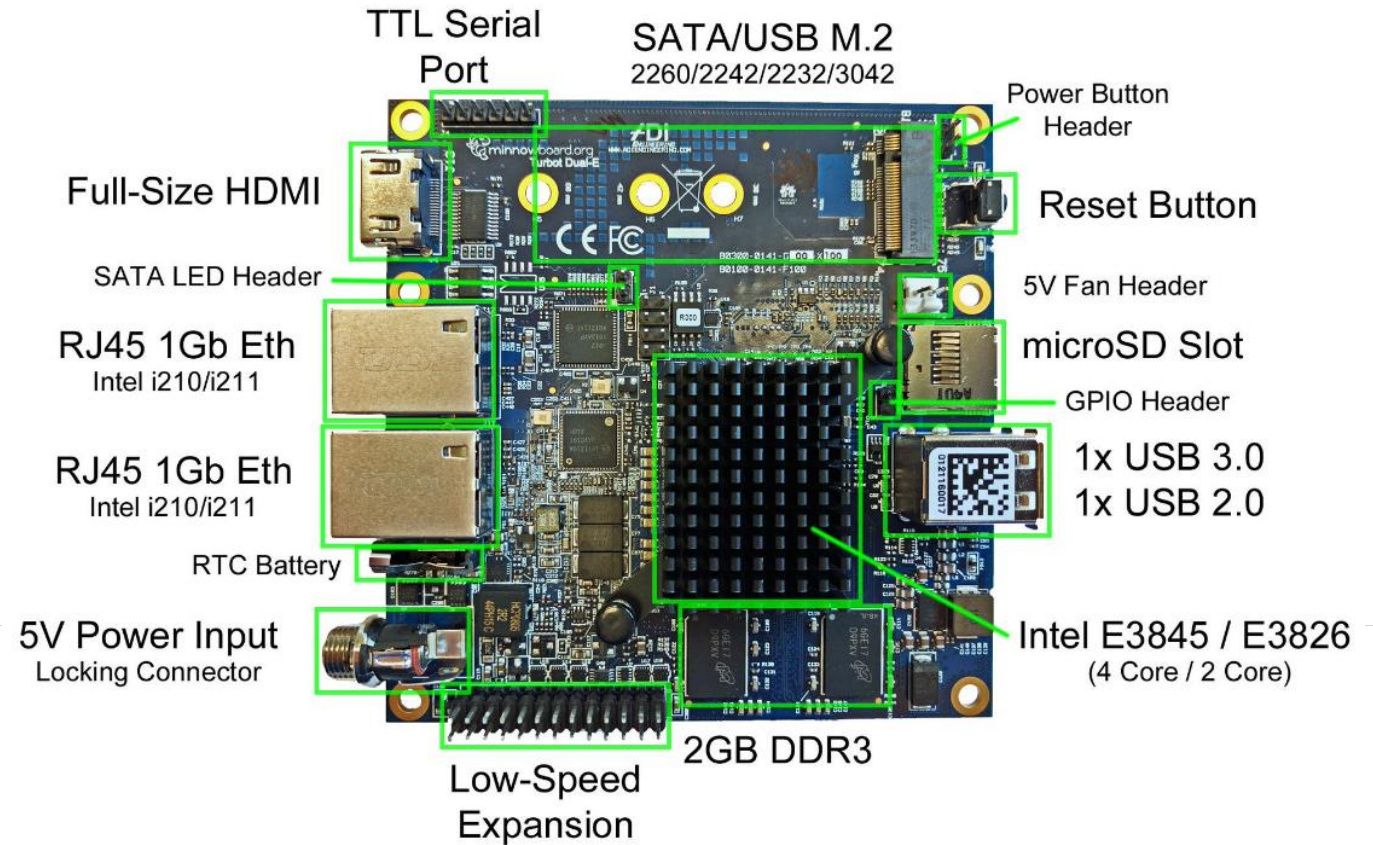


- ▶ Most parts are off the shelf, with some work needed on case
- ▶ Approximate costs:
 - ▶ \$130 - Minnowboard Turbot (ADI / Netgate)
 - ▶ \$50 – Silverjaw Lure with mini-PCI & M.2 slots (TinCanTools)
 - ▶ \$80 – i350 mini-PCI dual port NIC (Jetway).
 - ▶ \$30 Power Supply + case + SD Card (approx)
- ▶ Total: <\$300 per unit

Minnowboard Turbot Dual-E (coming Q3 2016)



- ▶ Includes 2 Gigabit ports on board
 - ▶ No need for Silverjaw Lure
 - ▶ No need for i350 miniPCI board
 - ▶ Reduced box size



Further DPDK Information



- ▶ **DPDK Website:** <http://dpdk.org/>
- ▶ **Documentation:** <http://dpdk.org/doc>
Includes Getting Started Guides, Release Notes, Programmer's Guide, NIC Guides, Sample App Guide, API Guide etc.
- ▶ **Mailing Lists:** <http://dpdk.org/ml>
The most commonly used are “dev” for development discussions and patches, and “users” for usage discussions.

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