Quest/Marlin How-to

Things you need

- 1. A MinnowMax development board and a 5V power supply
- 2. An FTDI serial cable
- 3. An SD card
- 4. A spare keyboard
- 5. A micro HDMI cable

UEFI Firmware

Before going further, you should make sure that the UEFI firmware on your Minnowboard is compatible with the grub bootloader and Quest OS. You will need to make sure you UEFI firmware is **32-bit**, rather than the default 64-bit. For details on how to check your Minnowboard firmware and reflash it if necessary, please see:

http://wiki.minnowboard.org/UEFI#Switching_from_64-bit_to_32-bit

BIOS Configuration

- 1. Connect a keyboard to your MinnowMax and connect your MinnowMax to a monitor using the micro HDMI interface beside the ethernet interface.
- 2. Power up your board and press DEL key to enter the BIOS.
- 3. Set Device Manager -> System Setup -> South Cluster Configuration -> LPSS & SCC Configuration -> LPSS & SCC Devices Mode to PCI Mode.
- 4. Press F10 to save and ESC to exit. Power down your board. Unplug the keyboard and the video cable as we don't need them any more.

Setup SD Card

Caution: You will lose all the existing data on your SD Card after this action.

- 1. Plug in your SD card and open a terminal
- 2. In your terminal, run command *dmesg* to find out the device number of your SD card. Make sure you get the device number right. Or it will destroy the data on your other devices.

- 3. In your terminal, run sudo fdisk /dev//your-sd-card-device-id]
- 4. You should see fdisk's prompt. Enter o to build a new DOS disk label. Then enter n to add a new partition. Then enter p to select primary partition type. Enter 1 when asked for partition number, 2048 for first section, +32M for partition size. Then enter a to toggle the boot flag on the newly created partition. Enter t to select partition format and to select FAT16, you should enter 6. Finally, the disk is set up and enter w to make the new partition into effect.
- Run command sudo mkfs.vfat -F 16 /dev/[your-sd-card-device-id]1 (notice the argument here is your partition id, which is the device id appended by 1) to format your new partition to FAT16 format.
- 6. Now, when you run command *sudo fdisk -l /dev/[your-sd-card-device-id]*, you should see the output similar to Figure 1:



Figure 1: fdisk output

Build Quest

1. Clone Quest git repo¹ and checkout to the Marlin branch:

\$git clone https://github.com/QuestOS/Marlin.git \$cd Marlin \$git checkout Marlin

2. Install the Git Large File Storage package from: https://git-lfs.github.com/
The given tutorial is actually more than you need. All you need is to download the install package and run the *install.sh* script:

```
$wget https:// ... /git-lfs-linux-amd64-x.y.z.tar.gz
$tar xvzf git-lfs-linux-amd64-x.y.z.tar.gz
$cd git-lfs-x.y.z
$sudo ./install.sh
```

¹https://github.com/QuestOS/Marlin.git

3. Clone the Quest/Support repo to get the docker image that contains the toolchain for building Quest:

\$git-lfs clone https://github.com/QuestOS/Support.git
\$cd Support

4. Load the docker image:

\$gunzip pre-built-toolchain.tar.gz
\$sudo service docker start
\$sudo docker load < ./pre-built-toolchain.tar</pre>

5. Run the docker image with Quest source code mounted into it. Do not include the backslashes in the command below, but make sure you specify the full path to the Marlin repo that you setup in Step 1, above:

```
sudo docker run --privileged=true \
    -v [/path/to/Marlin]:/quest_src \
    -i -t pre-built-toolchain /bin/bash
```

- You should be in a new shell as root, cd into /quest_src directory. Do make. Then do make ramdisk.img.
- 7. When everything is done, enter *exit* to exit from the docker container.
- 8. Now in your Marlin (Quest) source directory, you should be able to find *ramdisk.img*, *kernel/quest* and *sysprogs/shell*.

Install bootloader and Quest image

- 1. Now unplug your SD card and plug it in again. The partition should be automatically mounted. If not, please mount it manually.
- 2. To meet the required file hierarchy to boot, run command *mkdir -p* [path/to/your/mounted/dir]/EFI/BOOT
- 3. Copy grub.cfg and mygrub.efi² to [path/to/your/mounted/dir]/EFI/BOOT
- 4. Go to your Quest source code directory. Copy *ramdisk.img*, *kernel/quest*, *sysprogs/shell* to the root directory of your mounted SD card.
- 5. Umount your SD card.

²Both can be found in https://github.com/QuestOS/Support.git

Boot Quest on MinnowMax

- 1. Plug in your SD card to the SD card slot on your MinnowMax.
- 2. Follow the MinnowMax wiki³ to setup the serial and power the board up.
- 3. Wait a few seconds, in your terminal emulation program (e.g., minicom), you should see an EFI prompt.
- 4. Enter your SD card's mapping ID, e.g., *fs0:*. Then cd to *EFI/BOOT* directory and run *mygrub.efi*. As shown in Figure 2.



Figure 2: EFI Shell

- 5. Now you should see the GRUB menu, as shown in Figure 3.
- 6. Move the cursor to select quest.
- 7. Now you should see Quest boot and end up with an shell prompt, as shown in Figure 4.
- 8. Enter marlin in the shell and enjoy your Quest 3D printer control program!

 $^{^{3}} http://wiki.minnowboard.org/MinnowBoard_MAX$



Figure 3: GRUB Menu



Figure 4: Quest Shell