Assembly Guide for BeagleBone, Zen and Ada Fruit Mounting Plate

Parts Needed

- BeagleBone Green (BBG) – (Top right)
- Zen cape – (Top left)
- Mounting plate (from Ada Fruid)
- 4x plastic stand-offs, 4x nuts, 4x bolts

Directions

1. Peel the thin plastic film off the back of the mounting plate (if any).

2. Layout BBG over mounting plate to identify desired orientation and correct mounting holes.
3. Insert bolt through BBG from top. Press your finger on the top of the bolt and slide the plastic standoff on bottom. Hold screw horizontally and then move plastic mounting plate into position over bolt and lightly tighten nut onto bolt. **Leave nut very loose so you have room to work with other three bolts!**

4. Repeat for remaining 3 bolts, then tighten lightly each.

5. Affix stick-on rubber feet in corners on bottom of the mounting plate.
6. Attache the Zen cape by carefully lining up the pins with the large P8 and P9 headers. Ensure all pins line up correctly. Then push down firmly on the Zen cape to have all the pins slide in.

7. Ensure the Zen cape is fully seated on the BBG.
8. If the Zen cape is not fully seated on the BBG, you may see some part of the pins in the P8 or P9 header, as shown on the right-hand side of the top image. Also look between the boards and ensure that the blue serial header on the Zen cape is connecting to the serial header from the BBG (bottom image).

9. If desired, stick on 1/2 size breadboard onto other half of mounting plate.

10. When transporting the board, or when storing the board, place the assembled system back into the anti-static bag to protect.

   You should not need to take the Zen cape off the BeagleBone. Doing so has a high risk of bending pins on the Zen cape.

   If you must remove the Zen, you’ll need to go around the boards slowly pulling them apart a little at a time, corner by corner, side by side. You’ll slowly work the boards more and more apart. Finally, the pins will come free of the sockets. Be very careful not to pull unevenly and torque the Zen as it comes off the BeagleBone because this will likely bend the pins on the Zen.