

Make and run UEFI applications on Ubuntu

Here you can setup and run first project named HelloWorld

Install Clion and enjoy autocomplete!

First of all install clion on ubuntu: To download CLion, visit the official website of JetBrains at <https://www.jetbrains.com> from your favorite web browser and go to Tools > CLion. Example downloaded file name is : CLion-2018.3.tar.gz, After downloading run :

```
$ sudo tar xzf CLion-2018.3.tar.gz -C /opt
    run clion by following command:
$ /opt/clion-2018.3/bin/clion.sh
```

After following all configurations explained in https://linuxhint.com/install_jetbrains_clion_ubuntu/ open the vUDK2018 directory as a project in clion. and it would automatically create CmakeList.txt. if not download it from : <https://github.com/Pouria-Empire/uefiCmake/blob/main/CMakeLists>, and paste it in vUDK2018 directory. Now you can use autocomplete and fast coding by Ctrl+space and etc.

Install dependencies

In this article we use Clion and EDK2

Install dependencies

Based on Last document you can respectively run following commands:

```
$ sudo apt-get update
$ sudo apt-get install build-essential
$ sudo apt-get install git -y
$ sudo apt-get install autopoint -y
$ sudo apt-get install uuid-dev -y
$ sudo apt-get install cmake -y
$ sudo apt-get install libfreetype6-dev -y
$ sudo apt-get install libfontconfig1-dev -y
$ sudo apt-get install xclip -y
$ sudo apt-get install unifont -y
$ sudo apt-get install autotools-dev -y
$ sudo apt-get install autoconf -y
$ sudo apt-get install automake -y
$ sudo apt-get install iasl -y
$ sudo apt-get install qemu-system -y
$ sudo apt-get install nasm -y
$ nasm --version
```

```

# NASM version 2.13.02
// By default 'nasm' version 2.13 will be installed in ubuntu 18.04 but
// we need 'nasm' version 2.15. So, we need to install 'nasm' version 2.15 manually
// [Ref] https://www.linuxfromscratch.org/blfs/view/cvs/general/nasm.html
$ wget https://www.nasm.us/pub/nasm/releasebuilds/2.15.05/nasm-2.15.05.tar.xz
$ tar -xf nasm-2.15.05.tar.xz --strip-components=1
$ ./configure --prefix=/usr && make
$ sudo make install
$ nasm --version
# NASM version 2.15.05 compiled on DATE

$ gcc --version
# gcc (Ubuntu 7.5.0-3ubuntu1~18.04) 7.5.0
// By default the GCC version is 7.5 in Ubuntu-18.04
$ sudo apt-get install g++-5 -y
$ sudo apt-get install gcc-5 -y
$ gcc --version
# gcc (Ubuntu 7.5.0-3ubuntu1~18.04) 7.5.0
// The gcc is still in version 7.5, so we need to change the default gcc
// [Ref] https://askubuntu.com/questions/26498/how-to-choose-the-default-gcc-and-g-
$ sudo update-alternatives --install /usr/bin/gcc gcc /usr/bin/gcc-5 10
$ sudo update-alternatives --install /usr/bin/gcc gcc /usr/bin/gcc-5 20
$ sudo update-alternatives --install /usr/bin/g++ g++ /usr/bin/g++-5 10
$ sudo update-alternatives --install /usr/bin/g++ g++ /usr/bin/g++-5 20
$ sudo update-alternatives --install /usr/bin/cc cc /usr/bin/gcc 30
$ sudo update-alternatives --set cc /usr/bin/gcc
$ sudo update-alternatives --install /usr/bin/c++ c++ /usr/bin/g++ 30
$ sudo update-alternatives --set c++ /usr/bin/g++
$ gcc --version
# gcc (Ubuntu 5.5.0-12ubuntu1) 5.5.0 20171010

$ sudo update-alternatives --install /usr/bin/python python /usr/bin/python3.6 10
$ python --version
# Python 3.6.9

```

Now Start Coding

Git clone

Just clone the EDK2 git by following command:

```

$ cd $HOME // Or any other directory you like to install EDK2
$ git clone https://github.com/tianocore/edk2.git vUDK2018
$ cd vUDK2018/
$ git submodule update --init
$ export EDK_TOOLS_PATH=$(pwd)/BaseTools

```

```

$ echo $EDK_TOOLS_PATH
# $HOME/vUDK2018/BaseTools
$ make -C BaseTools/
# -----
# Ran 301 tests in 0.756s
# OK
# make[1]: Leaving directory '/home/edk2/vUDK2018/BaseTools/Tests'
# make: Leaving directory '/home/edk2/vUDK2018/BaseTools'
$ . edksetup.sh

```

build OVMF

For X64 processor architecture, go to vUDK2018 root directory and go to Conf then edit **target.txt** as follows:

```

$ gedit Conf/target.txt
ACTIVE_PLATFORM      = OvmfPkg/OvmfPkgX64.dsc
TARGET               = DEBUG
TARGET_ARCH          = X64
TOOL_CHAIN_TAG       = GCC5

```

Once you have modified Conf/target.txt, you can run the build command.

```
$ build
```

If successful, you should now have a OVMF.Fd file under the Build sub-directory.

Write first code

In vUDK2018 directory of cloned repository make a new directory called *HelloWorldPkg*. This is the main package we will working on that. In that directory create a directory called *HelloWorld* and that is our main module. In that module write this first C code: **HelloWorld.c**

```

#include <Uefi.h>
#include <Library/UefiLib.h>

EFI_STATUS
EFIAPI
UefiMain (
    IN EFI_HANDLE      ImageHandle,
    IN EFI_SYSTEM_TABLE *SystemTable
)
{
    Print(L"Hello, world...?\n");

    return EFI_SUCCESS;
}

```

And make **HelloWorld.inf**

```
[Defines]
    INF_VERSION                = 0x00010005
    BASE_NAME                  = HelloWorld
    FILE_GUID                  = 869460ce-579c-4cb3-bbe4-613b576ebc22
    MODULE_TYPE                = UEFI_APPLICATION
    VERSION_STRING             = 1.0
    ENTRY_POINT                = UefiMain

[Sources]
    HelloWorld.c

[Packages]
    MdePkg/MdePkg.dec
#   MdeModulePkg/MdeModulePkg.dec

[LibraryClasses]
    UefiApplicationEntryPoint
    UefiLib
#   PcdLib
```

Now change directory to ../HelloWorldPkg. In this directory you need to place two files called respectively **HelloWorldPkg.dec** and **HelloWorldPkg.dsc**. Here is **HelloWorldPkg.dsc**

```
[Defines]
    PLATFORM_NAME              = HelloWorld
    PLATFORM_GUID              = f67df959-c108-4755-a6df-6204a4719d22
    PLATFORM_VERSION           = 0.1
    DSC_SPECIFICATION          = 0x00010005
    OUTPUT_DIRECTORY           = Build/HelloWorld
    SUPPORTED_ARCHITECTURES    = IA32|X64|ARM|AArch64|RISCV64
    BUILD_TARGETS              = DEBUG|RELEASE|NOOPT
    SKUID_IDENTIFIER           = DEFAULT

[LibraryClasses]
    BaseLib|MdePkg/Library/BaseLib/BaseLib.inf
    BaseMemoryLib|MdePkg/Library/BaseMemoryLib/BaseMemoryLib.inf
    DebugLib|MdePkg/Library/BaseDebugLibNull/BaseDebugLibNull.inf
    DebugPrintErrorLevelLib|MdePkg/Library/BaseDebugPrintErrorLevelLib/BaseDebugPrintErrorLevelLib.inf
    PcdLib|MdePkg/Library/BasePcdLibNull/BasePcdLibNull.inf
    PrintLib|MdePkg/Library/BasePrintLib/BasePrintLib.inf
    RegisterFilterLib|MdePkg/Library/RegisterFilterLibNull/RegisterFilterLibNull.inf
    UefiApplicationEntryPoint|MdePkg/Library/UefiApplicationEntryPoint/UefiApplicationEntryPoint.inf
    UefiBootServicesTableLib|MdePkg/Library/UefiBootServicesTableLib/UefiBootServicesTableLib.inf
```

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UefiLib|MdePkg/Library/UefiLib/UefiLib.inf
UefiRuntimeServicesTableLib|MdePkg/Library/UefiRuntimeServicesTableLib/UefiRuntimeServicesTableLib.inf
DevicePathLib|MdePkg/Library/UefiDevicePathLib/UefiDevicePathLib.inf

[LibraryClasses.common.UEFI_APPLICATION]
MemoryAllocationLib|MdePkg/Library/UefiMemoryAllocationLib/UefiMemoryAllocationLib.inf
DebugLib|MdePkg/Library/UefiDebugLibStdErr/UefiDebugLibStdErr.inf

[Components]
HelloWorldPkg/HelloWorld/HelloWorld.inf

```

And here is **HelloWorldPkg.dec**

```

[Defines]
DEC_SPECIFICATION          = 0x00010005
PACKAGE_NAME               = HelloWorldPkg
PACKAGE_GUID               = a1fc00e6-6e44-4d57-9f75-63048b2976c3
PACKAGE_VERSION            = 0.0.1

[Includes]
Include

```

Now just save them and create a directory called *Include*. Then go to vUDK2018 root directory and go to Conf then edit **target.txt** as follows:

```

$ gedit Conf/target.txt
ACTIVE_PLATFORM            = HelloWorldPkg/HelloWorldPkg.dsc
TARGET                     = RELEASE
TARGET_ARCH                = X64
TOOL_CHAIN_CONF            = Conf/tools_def.txt
TOOL_CHAIN_TAG             = GCC5

```

Now go back to vUDK2018. and create an executable file named **start.sh**

```

#!/bin/sh
mkdir -p /tmp/qemu-hda/EFI/BOOT/
ln -sf $(pwd)/Build/"$1"/RELEASE_GCC5/X64/"$1".efi /tmp/qemu-hda/EFI/BOOT/BOOTX64.EFI
exec qemu-system-x86_64 \
    -net none \
    -bios ./Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/FV/OVMF.fd \
    -drive file=fat:rw:/tmp/qemu-hda

```

Now run the following commands:

```

$ build

$ ./start.sh HelloWorld

```

As you can run the BOOTX64.efi in EFI shell by type FS0: and go EFI then BOOT then run BOOTX64.efi

Well done!