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# **Desktop Ivy Bridge**

Support	Version
Initial macOS Support	OS X 10.7, Lion
Last Supported OS	macOS 12 Monterey
Note 1	For Ventura information, see macOS 13 Ventura
Note 2	Ivy Bridge iGPUs are only supported up-to macOS 11

# **Starting Point**

So making a config.plist may seem hard, it's not. It just takes some time but this guide will tell you how to configure everything, you won't be left in the cold. This also means if you have issues, review your config settings to make sure they're correct. Main things to note with OpenCore:

• All properties must be defined, there are no default OpenCore will fall back on so do not delete sections unless told explicitly so. If the guide doesn't mention the option, leave it at default.

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- The Sample.plist cannot be used As-Is, you must configure it to your system
- DO NOT USE CONFIGURATORS, these rarely respect OpenCore's configuration and even some like Mackie's will add Clover properties and corrupt plists!

Now with all that, a quick reminder of the tools we need

- ProperTree ☐
  - Universal plist editor
- - For generating our SMBIOS data
- - See previous section on how to obtain: config.plist Setup

# WARNING

Read this guide more than once before setting up OpenCore and make sure you have it set up correctly. Do note that images will not always be the most up-to-date so please read the text below them, if nothing's mentioned then leave as default.

# **ACPI**

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Key	Туре		Value	
Root	Dictionary	8 key/value pairs		
Y ACPI		4 key/value pairs		≡
∨ Add		1 child		=
<b>∨</b> 0		3 key/value pairs		≡
Enabled	Boolean	True		≡
Comment		SSDT-PLUG.aml		≡
Path	String     String	SSDT-PLUG.aml		≡
∨ Delete		2 children		≡
~ O	Dictionary	6 key/value pairs		≡
All	Boolean	True		≡
Comment	String	Delete CpuPm		≡
Enabled		True	<-Ensure this is enabled	≡
OemTableId	≎ Data	<43707550 6D000000>		≡
TableLength	Number     ■	0		≡
TableSignature	≉ Data	<53534454>		≡
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All		True		≡
Comment	String	Delete Cpu0lst		≡
Enabled		True	<-Ensure this is enabled	≡
OemTableId	≉ Data	<43707530 49737400>		≡
TableLength		0		≡
TableSignature		<53534454>		≡
Patch	\$ Array	2 children		≡
∨ Quirks	Dictionary	5 key/value pairs		≡
FadtEnableReset		False		≡
NormalizeHeaders		False		≡
RebaseRegions		False		≡
ResetHwSig		False		≡
ResetLogoStatus	≉ Boolean	False		≡
Booter	Dictionary	2 key/value pairs		≡
DeviceProperties	Dictionary	2 key/value pairs		≡
Kernel	Dictionary	5 key/value pairs		≡
Misc	Dictionary	6 key/value pairs		≡
NVRAM	Dictionary	6 key/value pairs		≡
> PlatformInfo	Dictionary	6 key/value pairs		≡

## Add

## Info

This is where you'll add SSDTs for your system, these are very important to **booting macOS** and have many uses like **USB maps** , **disabling unsupported GPUs** and such. And with our system, **it's even required to boot**. Guide on making them found here: **Getting started with ACPI** 

For us we'll need a couple of SSDTs to bring back functionality that Clover provided:

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SSDT-PM♂	Needed for proper CPU power management, you will need to run Pike's ssdtPRGen.sh script to generate this file. This will be run in <b>post install</b> .
SSDT-EC ☑	Fixes the embedded controller, see Getting Started With ACPI Guide ☐ for more details.
SSDT-IMEI⊡	Needed to add a missing IMEI device on Ivy Bridge CPU with 6 series motherboards

Note that you **should not** add your generated DSDT.aml here, it is already in your firmware. So if present, remove the entry for it in your config.plist and under EFI/OC/ACPI.

For those wanting a deeper dive into dumping your DSDT, how to make these SSDTs, and compiling them, please see the **Getting started with ACPI** page. Compiled SSDTs have a .aml extension(Assembled) and will go into the EFI/0C/ACPI folder and must be specified in your config under ACPI -> Add as well.

#### **Delete**

#### Info

This blocks certain ACPI tables from loading, for us we really care about this. Main reason is that Apple's XCPM does not support IvyBridge all too well and can cause AppleIntelCPUPowerManagement panics on boot. To avoid this we make our own PM SSDT in Post-Install and drop the old tables (Note that this is only temporary until we've made our SSDT-PM, we'll re-enable these tables later):

#### Removing CpuPm:

Key	Туре	Value
All	Boolean	YES
Comment	String	Delete CpuPm
Enabled	Boolean	YES
OemTableId	Data	437075506d000000
TableLength	Number	0
TableSignature	Data	53534454

#### Removing Cpu0lst:

Key	Туре	Value
All	Boolean	YES
Comment	String	Delete Cpu0lst
Enabled	Boolean	YES
OemTableId	Data	4370753049737400
TableLength	Number	0
TableSignature	Data	53534454

## Patch

This section allows us to dynamically modify parts of the ACPI (DSDT, SSDT, etc.) via OpenCore. For us, our patches are handled by our SSDTs. This is a much cleaner solution as this will allow us to boot Windows and other OSes with OpenCore

#### Quirks

Settings relating to ACPI, leave everything here as default as we have no use for these quirks.

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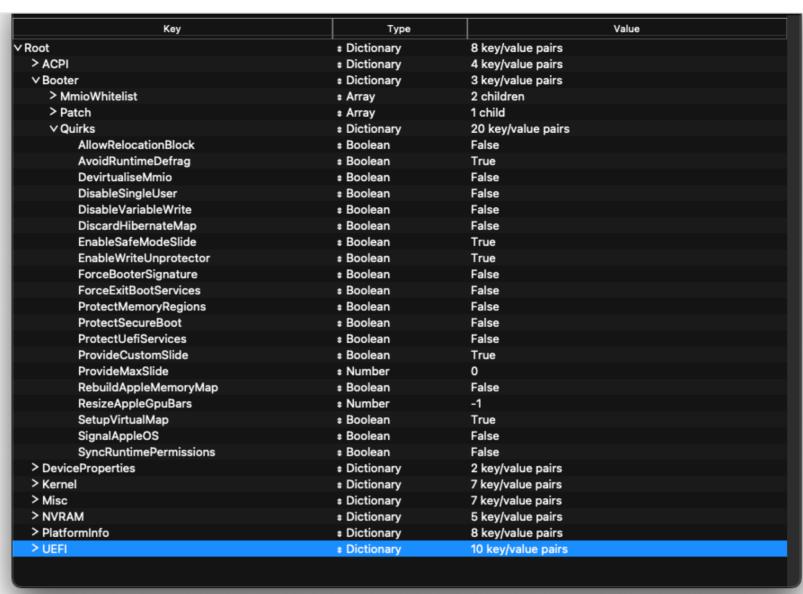
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This section is dedicated to quirks relating to boot.efi patching with OpenRuntime, the replacement for AptioMemoryFix.efi

#### **MmioWhitelist**

This section is allowing spaces to be passthrough to macOS that are generally ignored, useful when paired with DevirtualiseMmio

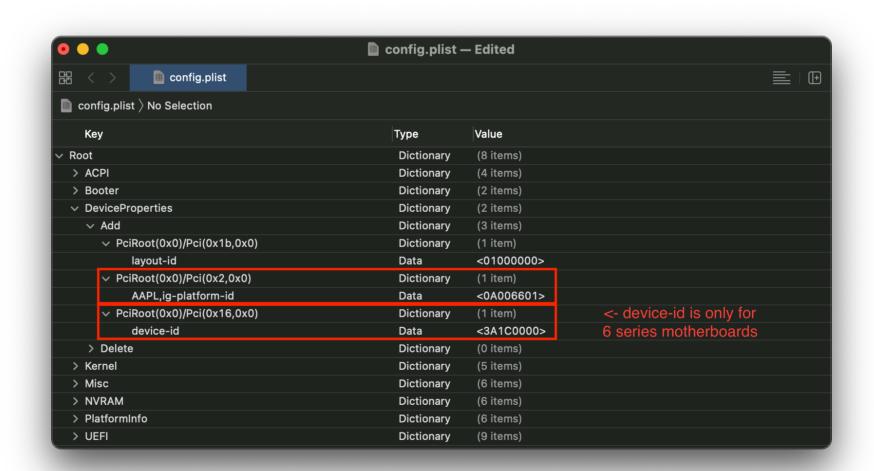
#### Quirks

#### Info

Settings relating to boot.efi patching and firmware fixes, for us, we leave it as default

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# **DeviceProperties**



### Add

Sets device properties from a map.

#### PciRoot(0x0)/Pci(0x2,0x0)

This section is set up via WhateverGreen's **Framebuffer Patching Guide** ☐ and is used for setting important iGPU properties.

The config.plist doesn't already have a section for this so you will have to create it manually.

The AAPL,ig-platform-id we use is as follows:

AAPL,ig-platform-id	Comment
0A006601	Used when the iGPU is used to drive a display

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Used when the iGPU is only used for computing tasks and doesn't drive a display

#### Example setup:

Key	Туре	Value
AAPL,ig-platform-id	Data	0A006601

(This is an example for a desktop HD 4000 without a dGPU)

#### PciRoot(0x0)/Pci(0x16,0x0)

This is needed if you're pairing an Ivy Bridge CPU with a 6 series motherboard (ie. H61, B65, Q65, P67, H67, Q67, Z68), specifically needed to spoof your IMEI device into being supported. Note this property is still required with or without SSDT-IMEI.

Key	Туре	Value
device-id	Data	3A1E0000

Note: This is not needed if you have a 7 series motherboard (ie. B75, Q75, Z75, H77, Q77, Z77)

#### PciRoot(0x0)/Pci(0x1b,0x0)

#### layout-id

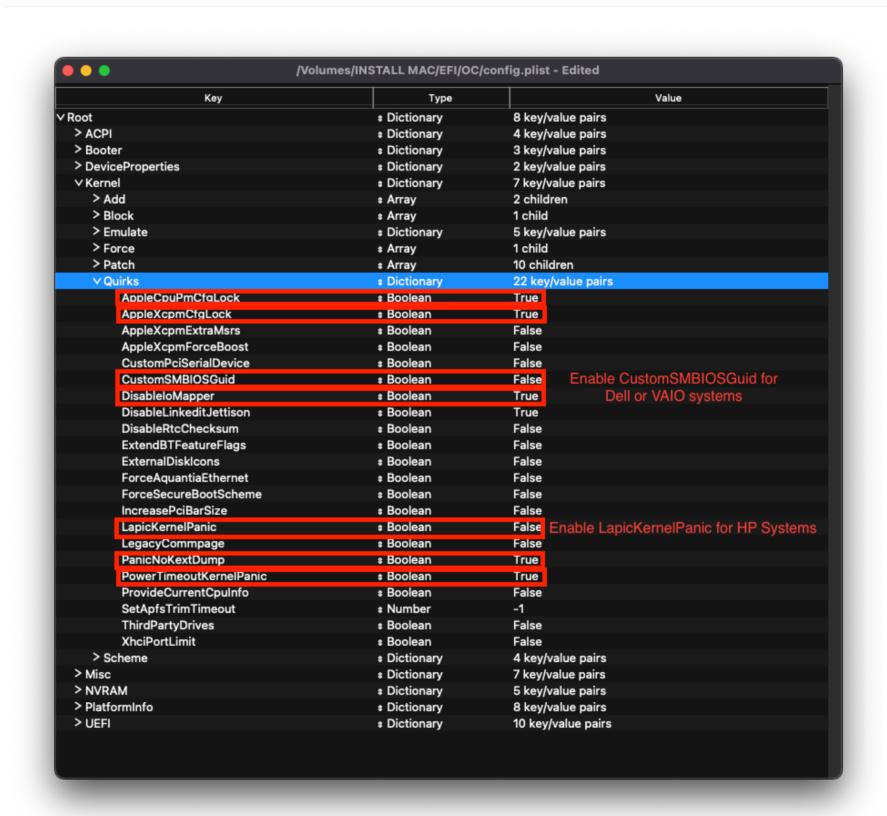
- Applies AppleALC audio injection, you'll need to do your own research on which codec your motherboard has and match it with AppleALC's layout. AppleALC Supported Codecs .
- You can delete this property outright as it's unused for us at this time

For us, we'll be using the boot-arg alcid=xxx instead to accomplish this. alcid will override all other layout-IDs present. More info on this is covered in the Post-Install Page

## Delete

Removes device properties from the map, for us we can ignore this

# Kernel



#### Add

Here's where we specify which kexts to load, in what specific order to load, and what architectures each kext is meant for. By default we recommend leaving what ProperTree has done, however for 32-bit CPUs please see below:

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Cpuid1Data: Leave this blank

# Force

Used for loading kexts off system volume, only relevant for older operating systems where certain kexts are not present in the cache(ie. IONetworkingFamily in 10.6).

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For us, we can ignore.

#### **Block**

Blocks certain kexts from loading. Not relevant for us.

#### **Patch**

Patches both the kernel and kexts.

# Quirks

#### Info

Settings relating to the kernel, for us we'll be enabling the following:

Quirk	Enabled	Comment
AppleCpuPmCfgLock	YES	Not needed if CFG-Lock is disabled in the BIOS
DisableloMapper	YES	Not needed if VT-D is disabled in the BIOS
LapicKernelPanic	NO	HP Machines will require this quirk
PanicNoKextDump	YES	
PowerTimeoutKernelPanic	YES	
XhciPortLimit	YES	Disable if running macOS 11.3+

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# Scheme

Settings related to legacy booting(ie. 10.4-10.6), for majority you can skip however for those planning to boot legacy OSes you can see below:

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> Booter	Dictionary	3 key/value pairs
> DeviceProperties	Dictionary	2 key/value pairs
> Kernel	* Dictionary	7 key/value pairs
∨ Misc	Dictionary	7 key/value pairs
BlessOverride	Array	0 children
∨ Boot	Dictionary	13 key/value pairs
ConsoleAttributes	Number     ■	0
HibernateMode	String	None
HideAuxiliary		True
LauncherOption	s String	Disabled
LauncherPath	* String	Default
PickerAttributes	* Number	17
PickerAudioAssist		False
PickerMode	s String	Builtin
PickerVariant	String	Auto
PollAppleHotKeys		False
ShowPicker		True
TakeoffDelay	* Number	0
Timeout	* Number	5
∨ Debug	Dictionary	8 key/value pairs
AppleDebug	Boolean	True
ApplePanic	≉ Boolean	True
DisableWatchDog	Boolean	False
DisplayDelay	Number	0
DisplayLevel	Number	2147483650
LogModules	String	•
SvsReport		False
Target	Number	67
∨ Entries	<b>≉ Array</b>	1 child
∨0	Dictionary	8 key/value pairs
Arguments	* String	
Auxiliary		False
Comment	String	Not signed for security reasons
Enabled		False
Flavour	String	Auto
Name	String	CustomOS
Path	* String	PciRoot(0x0)/Pci(0x1,0x1)/Pci(0x0,0x0)/NVMe(0x1,11-22-
TextMode		False
∨ Security	Dictionary	13 key/value pairs
AllowSetDefault	Boolean	True
ApECID	* Number	0
AuthRestart	Boolean	False
BlacklistAppleUpdate		True
DmgLoading	String	Signed
EnablePassword	Boolean	False
ExposeSensitiveData	* Number	6
HaltLevel	* Number	2147483648
PasswordHash	≉ Data	<
PasswordSalt	Data      Data	<
ScanPolicy	* Number	Set SecureBootModel to Disabled if
SecureBootModel	String	Default
Vault	String	Optional you require NVIDIA's web Driver
> Serial	# Dictionary	2 key/value pairs

#### **Boot**

### Info

Quirk	Enabled	Comment
HideAuxiliary	YES	Press space to show macOS recovery and other auxiliary entries

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# Debug

## Info

Helpful for debugging OpenCore boot issues(We'll be changing everything but DisplayDelay ):

Quirk	Enabled
AppleDebug	YES
ApplePanic	YES
DisableWatchDog	YES
Target	67

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# Security

## Info

Security is pretty self-explanatory,  $\mbox{do not skip}$ . We'll be changing the following:

Quirk	Enabled	Comment
AllowSetDefault	YES	
BlacklistAppleUpdate	YES	

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ScanPolicy	0	
SecureBootModel	Default	Leave this as Default for OpenCore to automatically set the correct value corresponding to your SMBIOS. The next page goes into more detail about this setting.
Vault	Optional	This is a word, it is not optional to omit this setting. You will regret it if you don't set it to Optional, note that it is case-sensitive

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#### Serial

Used for serial debugging (Leave everything as default).

#### **Tools**

Used for running OC debugging tools like the shell, ProperTree's snapshot function will add these for you.

#### **Entries**

Used for specifying irregular boot paths that can't be found naturally with OpenCore.

Won't be covered here, see 8.6 of Configuration.pdf ☐ for more info

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∨ Add	Dictionary	3 key/value pairs	
√4D1EDE05-38C7-4A6A-9CC6-4BC	CA8B38C' * Dictionary	1 key/value pair	
DefaultBackgroundColor	<b>Data</b>	<00000000>	
✓ 4D1FDA02-38C7-4A6A-9CC6-4BC	CA8B301( a Dictionary	1 key/value pair	
rtc-blacklist	Data	•	
√7C436110-AB2A-4BBB-A880-FE41	995C9F82 * Dictionary	7 key/value pairs	
#INFO (prev-lang:kbd)	String	en:252 (ABC), set 656e3a323532	
ForceDisplayRotationInEFI	* Number	0	
SvstemAudioVolume	<b>Data</b>	<46>	
boot-args	\$ String	-v keepsyms=1 debug=0x100 alcid=1	
csr-active-config	≉ Data	<00000000>	
prev-lang:kbd	≉ Data	<	
run-eti-updater	# String	NO	
∨ Delete	Dictionary	3 key/value pairs	
√4D1EDE05-38C7-4A6A-9CC6-4BC	CA8B38C' & Array	1 child	
0	\$ String	DefaultBackgroundColor	
✓ 4D1FDA02-38C7-4A6A-9CC6-4BC		1 child	
0	\$ String	rtc-blacklist	
∨7C436110-AB2A-4BBB-A880-FE41	995C9F82 * Array	2 children	
0	\$ String	boot-args	
1	String	ForceDisplayRotationInEFI	
LegacyOverwrite	Boolean	False	
> LegacySchema	Dictionary	2 key/value pairs	
WriteFlash	Boolean	True	
> Platforminfo > UEFI	<ul><li>Dictionary</li><li>Dictionary</li></ul>	8 key/value pairs 10 key/value pairs	

# Add

## 4D1EDE05-38C7-4A6A-9CC6-4BCCA8B38C14

Used for OpenCore's UI scaling, default will work for us. See in-depth section for more info

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#### 4D1FDA02-38C7-4A6A-9CC6-4BCCA8B30102

OpenCore's NVRAM GUID, mainly relevant for RTCMemoryFixup users

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#### 7C436110-AB2A-4BBB-A880-FE41995C9F82

System Integrity Protection bitmask

• General Purpose boot-args:

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-V	This enables verbose mode, which shows all the behind-the-scenes text that scrolls by as you're booting instead of the Apple logo and progress bar. It's invaluable to any Hackintosher, as it gives you an inside look at the boot process, and can help you identify issues, problem kexts, etc.
debug=0x100	This disables macOS's watchdog which helps prevents a reboot on a kernel panic. That way you can <i>hopefully</i> glean some useful info and follow the breadcrumbs to get past the issues.
keepsyms=1	This is a companion setting to debug=0x100 that tells the OS to also print the symbols on a kernel panic. That can give some more helpful insight as to what's causing the panic itself.
alcid=1	Used for setting layout-id for AppleALC, see supported codecs ☐ to figure out which layout to use for your specific system. More info on this is covered in the Post-Install Page ☐

#### • GPU-Specific boot-args:

boot-args	Description		
agdpmod=pikera	Used for disabling board ID checks on some Navi GPUs (RX 5000 & 6000 series), without this you'll get a black screen. <b>Don't use if you don't have Navi</b> (ie. Polaris and Vega cards shouldn't use this)		
-radcodec	Used for allowing officially unsupported AMD GPUs (spoofed) to use the Hardware Video Encoder		
radpg=15	Used for disabling some power-gating modes, helpful for properly initializing AMD Cape Verde based GPUs		
unfairgva=1	Used for fixing hardware DRM support on supported AMD GPUs		
nvda_drv_vrl=1	Used for enabling NVIDIA's Web Drivers on Maxwell and Pascal cards in macOS Sierra and High Sierra		
-wegnoegpu	Used for disabling all other GPUs than the integrated Intel iGPU, useful for those wanting to run newer versions of macOS where their dGPU isn't supported		

#### • csr-active-config: 00000000

- Settings for 'System Integrity Protection' (SIP). It is generally recommended to change this with csrutil via the recovery partition.
- csr-active-config by default is set to 00000000 which enables System Integrity Protection. You can choose a
  number of different values but overall we recommend keeping this enabled for best security practices. More
  info can be found in our troubleshooting page: Disabling SIP
- run-efi-updater: No
  - This is used to prevent Apple's firmware update packages from installing and breaking boot order; this is important as these firmware updates (meant for Macs) will not work.
- prev-lang:kbd: <>
  - Needed for non-latin keyboards in the format of lang-COUNTRY: keyboard, recommended to keep blank though you can specify it(**Default in Sample config is Russian**):
- American: en-US:0 ( 656e2d55533a30 in HEX)
- ∘ Full list can be found in AppleKeyboardLayouts.txt ☑
- Hint: prev-lang:kbd can be changed into a String so you can input en-US:0 directly instead of converting to HEX
- Hint 2: prev-lang:kbd can be set to a blank variable (eg. <> ) which will force the Language Picker to appear instead at first boot up.

Key	Туре	Value
prev-lang:kbd	String	en-US:0

## Delete

#### Info

Forcibly rewrites NVRAM variables, do note that Add will not overwrite values already present in NVRAM so values like boot-args should be left alone. For us, we'll be changing the following:

Quirk	Enabled
WriteFlash	YES

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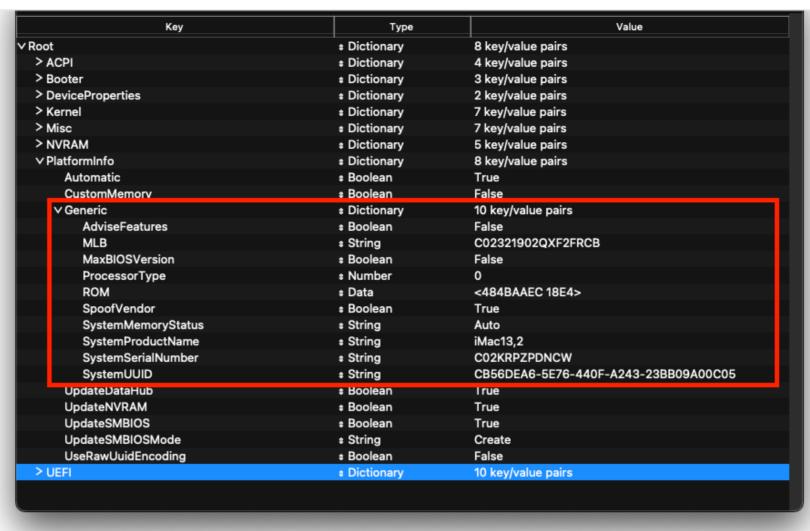
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For setting up the SMBIOS info, we'll use CorpNewt's GenSMBIOS ☐ application.

For this Ivy Bridge example, we'll chose the iMac13,2 SMBIOS - this is done intentionally for compatibility's sake. There are 3 main SMBIOS used for Ivy Bridge:

SMBIOS	Hardware
iMac13,1	Used for computers utilizing the iGPU for displaying
iMac13,2	Used for computers using a dGPU for displaying, and an iGPU for computing tasks only

**Note**: The following SMBIOS are only supported up-to and including macOS 10.15, Catalina. For cases where you must boot Big Sur or Monterey, see below:

▶ Big Sur/Monterey SMBIOS table

Run GenSMBIOS, pick option 1 for downloading MacSerial and Option 3 for selecting out SMBIOS. This will give us an output similar to the following:

#### 

Type: iMac13,2
Serial: C02KCYZLDNCW
Board Serial: C023093010XF2FRJC

SmUUID: A154B586-874B-4E57-A1FF-9D6E503E4580

The Type part gets copied to Generic -> SystemProductName.

The Serial part gets copied to Generic -> SystemSerialNumber.

The Board Serial part gets copied to Generic -> MLB.

The  $\mbox{\tt SmUUID}$  part gets copied to Generic -> SystemUUID.

We set Generic -> ROM to either an Apple ROM (dumped from a real Mac), your NIC MAC address, or any random MAC address (could be just 6 random bytes, for this guide we'll use 11223300 0000. After install follow the Fixing iServices page on how to find your real MAC Address)

Reminder that you need an invalid serial! When inputting your serial number in Apple's Check Coverage Page ?, you should get a message such as "Unable to check coverage for this serial number."

Automatic: YES

Generates PlatformInfo based on Generic section instead of DataHub, NVRAM, and SMBIOS sections

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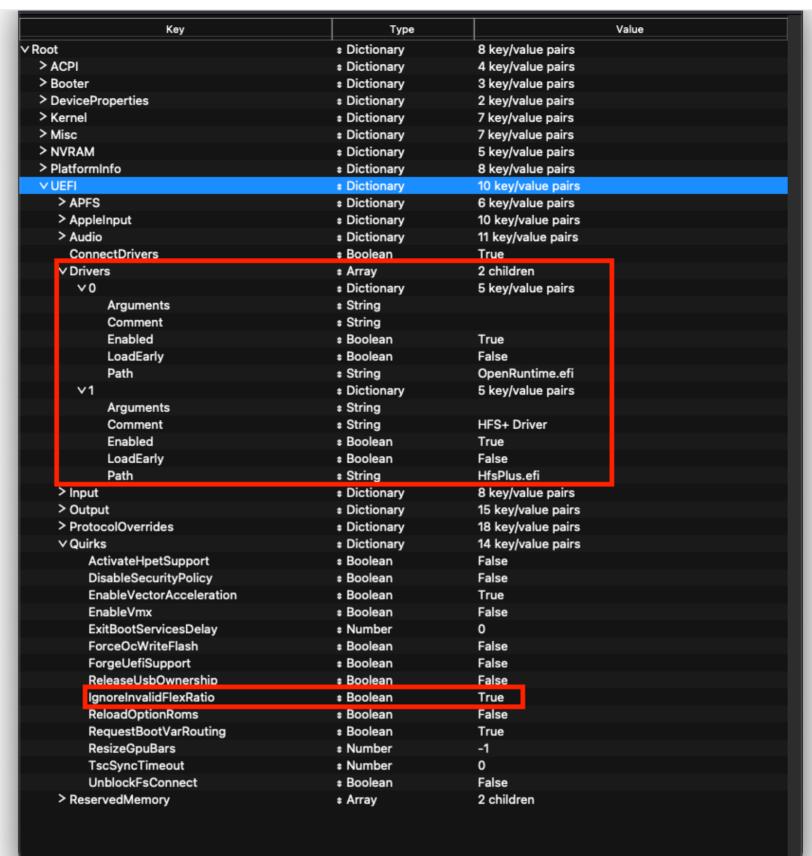
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#### ConnectDrivers: YES

• Forces .efi drivers, change to NO will automatically connect added UEFI drivers. This can make booting slightly faster, but not all drivers connect themselves. E.g. certain file system drivers may not load.

## **Drivers**

Add your .efi drivers here.

Only drivers present here should be:

- HfsPlus.efi
- OpenRuntime.efi
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## **APFS**

By default, OpenCore only loads APFS drivers from macOS Big Sur and newer. If you are booting macOS Catalina or earlier, you may need to set a new minimum version/date. Not setting this can result in OpenCore not finding your macOS partition!

macOS Sierra and earlier use HFS instead of APFS. You can skip this section if booting older versions of macOS.

#### APFS Versions

Both MinVersion and MinDate need to be set if changing the minimum version.

macOS Version	Min Version	Min Date
High Sierra ( 10.13.6 )	748077008000000	20180621
Mojave ( 10.14.6 )	945275007000000	20190820
Catalina ( 10.15.4 )	1412101001000000	20200306
No restriction	-1	-1

#### Audio

Related to AudioDxe settings, for us we'll be ignoring(leave as default). This is unrelated to audio support in macOS.

• For further use of AudioDxe and the Audio section, please see the Post Install page: Add GUI and Boot-chime

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#### Output

Relating to OpenCore's visual output, leave everything here as default as we have no use for these quirks.

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#### **ProtocolOverrides**

Mainly relevant for Virtual machines, legacy macs and FileVault users. See here for more details: Security and FileVault

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#### Quirks

#### Info

Relating to quirks with the UEFI environment, for us we'll be changing the following:

Quirk	Enabled	Comment
IgnoreInvalidFlexRatio	YES	
UnblockFsConnect	NO	Needed mainly by HP motherboards

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#### ReservedMemory

Used for exempting certain memory regions from OSes to use, mainly relevant for Sandy Bridge iGPUs or systems with faulty memory. Use of this quirk is not covered in this guide

# Cleaning up

And now you're ready to save and place it into your EFI under EFI/OC.

For those having booting issues, please make sure to read the **Troubleshooting section** first and if your questions are still unanswered we have plenty of resources at your disposal:

- r/Hackintosh Subreddit
- r/Hackintosh Discord ☐

## **Intel BIOS settings**

• Note: Most of these options may not be present in your firmware, we recommend matching up as closely as possible but don't be too concerned if many of these options are not available in your BIOS

## Disable

- Fast Boot
- Secure Boot
- Serial/COM Port
- Parallel Port
- VT-d (can be enabled if you set DisableIoMapper to YES)
- Compatibility Support Module (CSM) (Must be off in most cases, GPU errors/stalls like gIO are common when this option is enabled)
- Thunderbolt (For initial install, as Thunderbolt can cause issues if not setup correctly)
- Intel SGX
- Intel Platform Trust
- CFG Lock (MSR 0xE2 write protection)(This must be off, if you can't find the option then enable AppleCpuPmCfgLock under Kernel -> Quirks. Your hack will not boot with CFG-Lock enabled)

#### **Enable**

- VT-x
- Above 4G Decoding
- Hyper-Threading
- Execute Disable BitEHCI/XHCI Hand-off
- OS type: Windows 8.1/10 UEFI Mode (some motherboards may require "Other OS" instead)
- DVMT Pre-Allocated(iGPU Memory): 32MB or higher
- SATA Mode: AHCI

# Once done here, we need to edit a couple extra values. Head to the Apple Secure Boot Page

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