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Support	Version
Initial macOS Support	OS X 10.6.3, Snow Leopard
Last Supported OS	macOS 10.13, High Sierra
Note	Most Clarksfield and Arrandale boards do not support UEFI

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.
- **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!

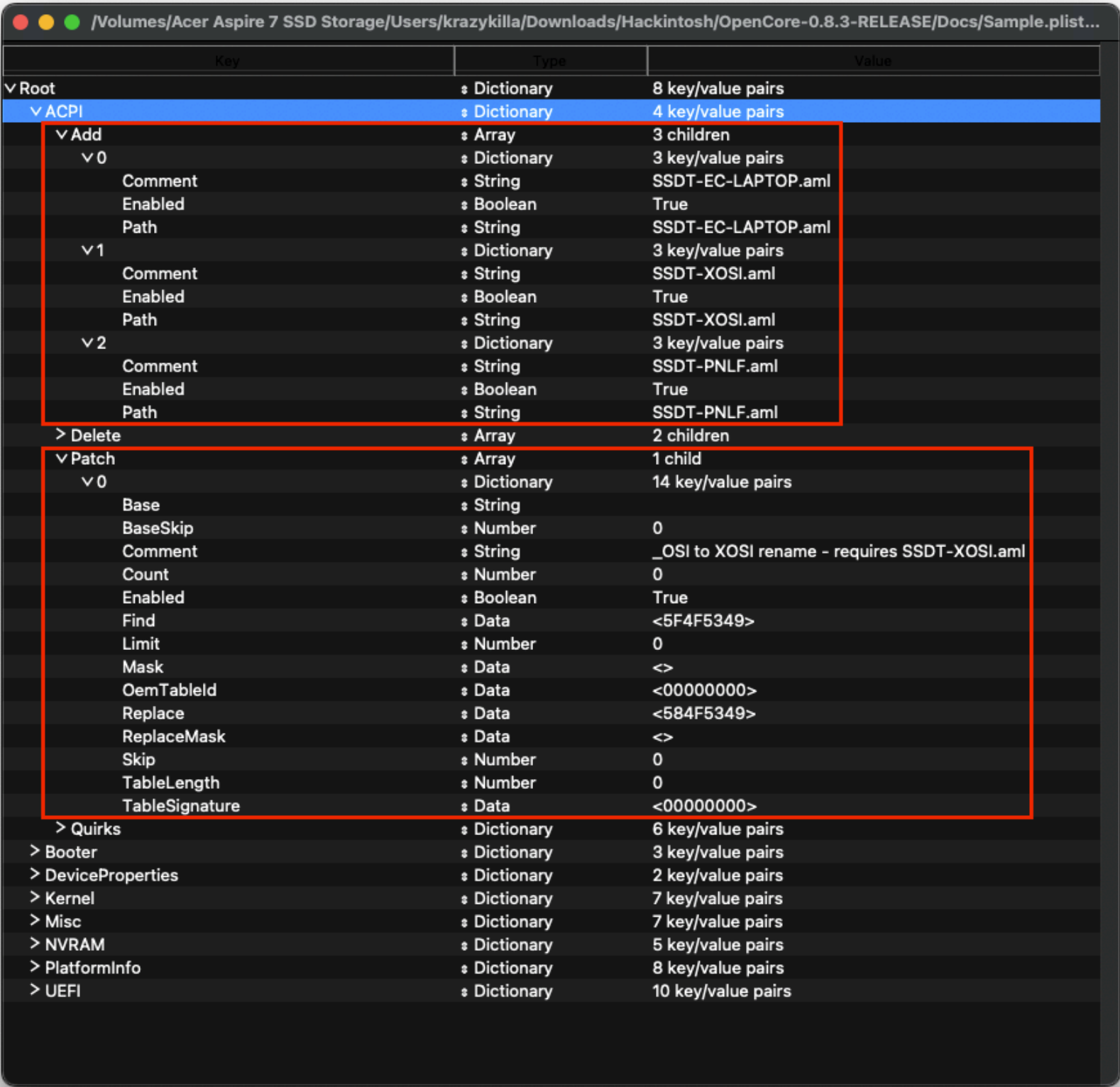
Now with all that, a quick reminder of the tools we need

- [ProperTree](#) 
 - Universal plist editor
- [GenSMBIOS](#) 
 - For generating our SMBIOS data
- [Sample/config.plist](#) 
 - 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



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](#) 

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Required SSDTs	Description
SSDT-EC	Fixes the embedded controller, see Getting Started With ACPI Guide for more details.
SSDT-XOSI	Makes all _OSI calls specific to Windows work for macOS (Darwin) Identifier. This may help enabling some features like XHCI and others.
SSDT-PNLF	Fixes brightness control, see Getting Started With ACPI Guide for more details. Note that Intel NUCs do not need this

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/OC/ACPI` folder and **must** be specified in your config under `ACPI` `→` `Add` as well.

Delete

This blocks certain ACPI tables from loading, for us we can ignore this.

Patch

Info

This section allows us to dynamically modify parts of the ACPI (DSDT, SSDT, etc.) via OpenCore. For us, we'll need the following:

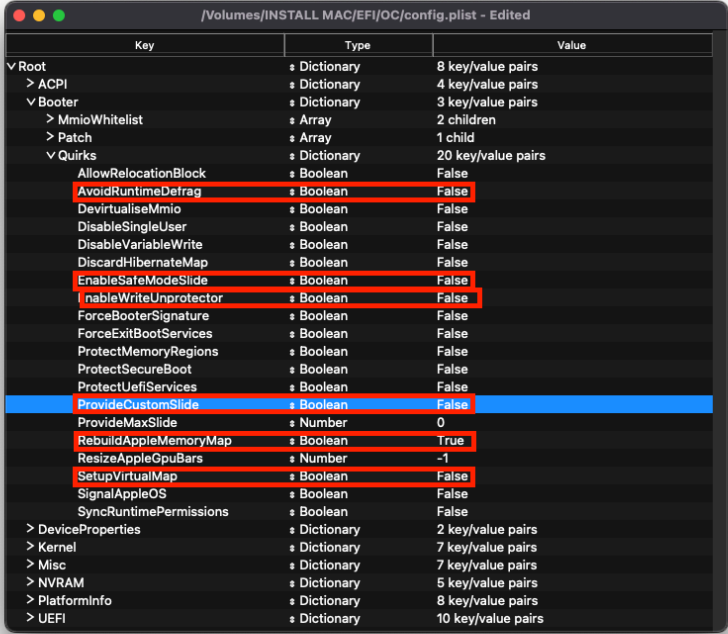
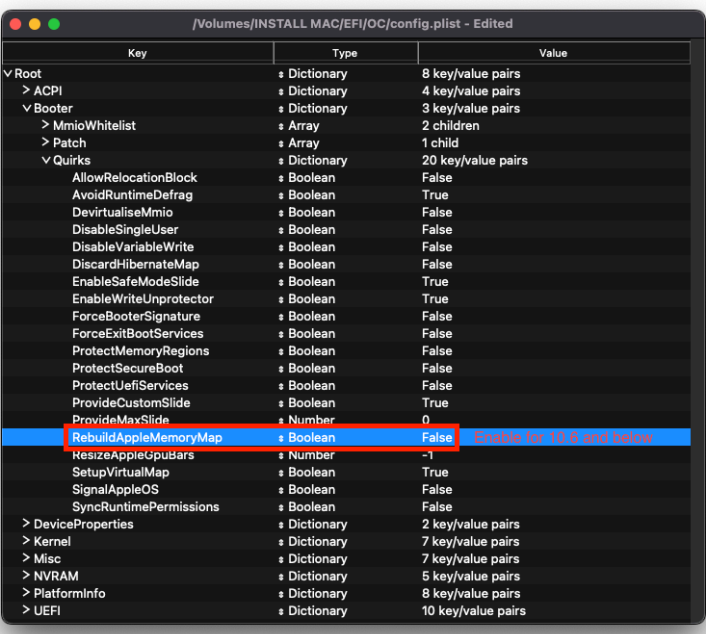
- OSI rename
 - This is required when using SSDT-XOSI as we redirect all OSI calls to this SSDT

Comment	String	Change _OSI to XOSI
Enabled	Boolean	YES
Count	Number	0
Limit	Number	0
Find	Data	5f4f5349
Replace	Data	584f5349

Quirks

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

Booter

Legacy	UEFI
	

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`

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Settings relating to boot.efi patching and firmware fixes, depending where your board has UEFI, you have 2 options depending what your motherboard supports:

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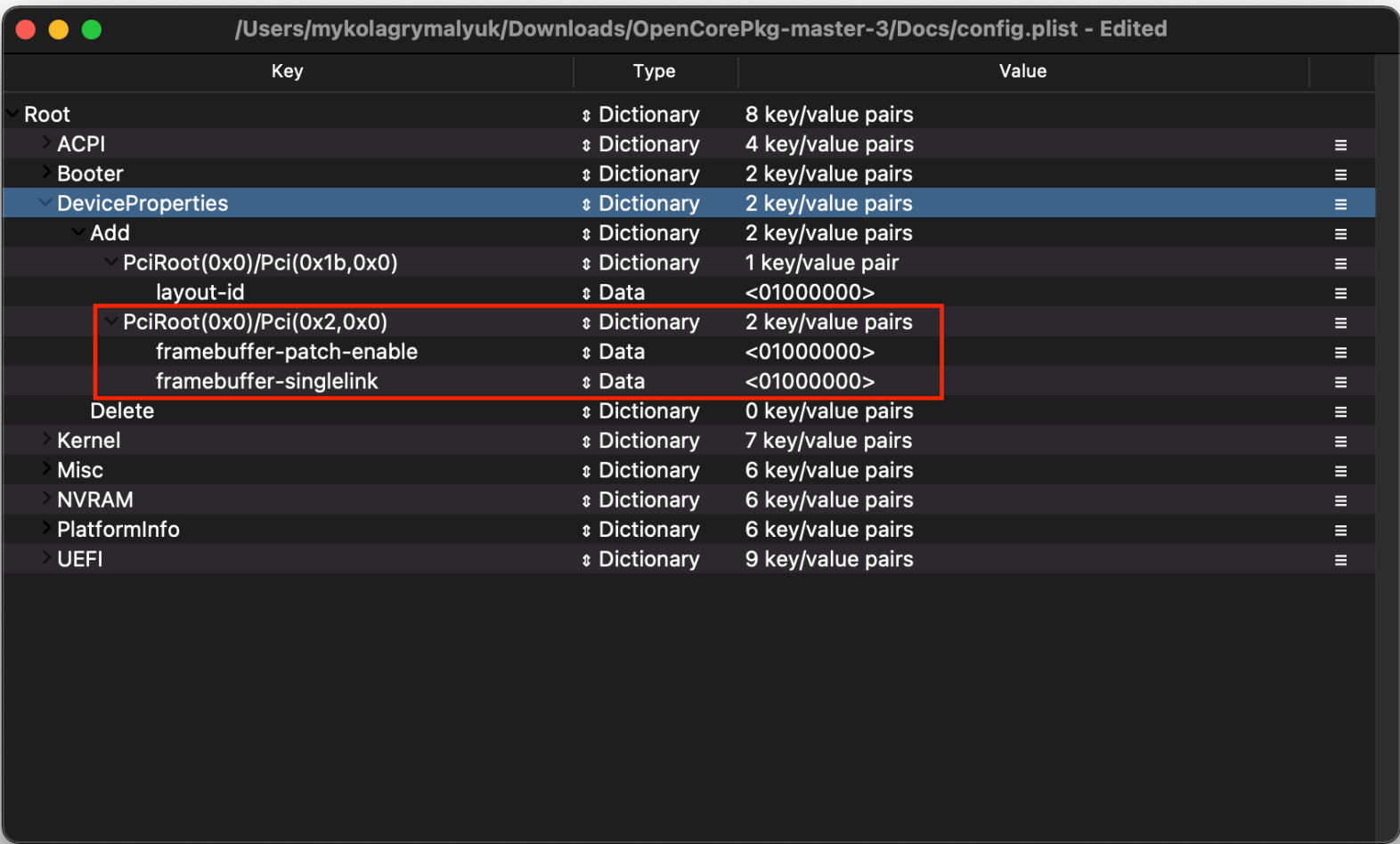
Quirk	Enabled	Comment
AvoidRuntimeDefrag	No	Big Sur may require this quirk enabled
EnableSafeModeSlide	No	
EnableWriteUnprotector	No	
ProvideCustomSlide	No	
RebuildAppleMemoryMap	Yes	This is required to boot OS X 10.4 through 10.6
SetupVirtualMap	No	

UEFI Settings

Quirk	Enabled	Comment
RebuildAppleMemoryMap	Yes	This is required to boot OS X 10.4 through 10.6

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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.

When setting up your iGPU, simply add the values below to the `PciRoot(0x0)/Pci(0x2,0x0)` entry:

Property	Type	Value
framebuffer-patch-enable	Data	01000000
framebuffer-singlelink	Data	01000000

- Note:** Apple's Iron Lake drivers only support LVDS displays and **not** eDP

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 argument `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

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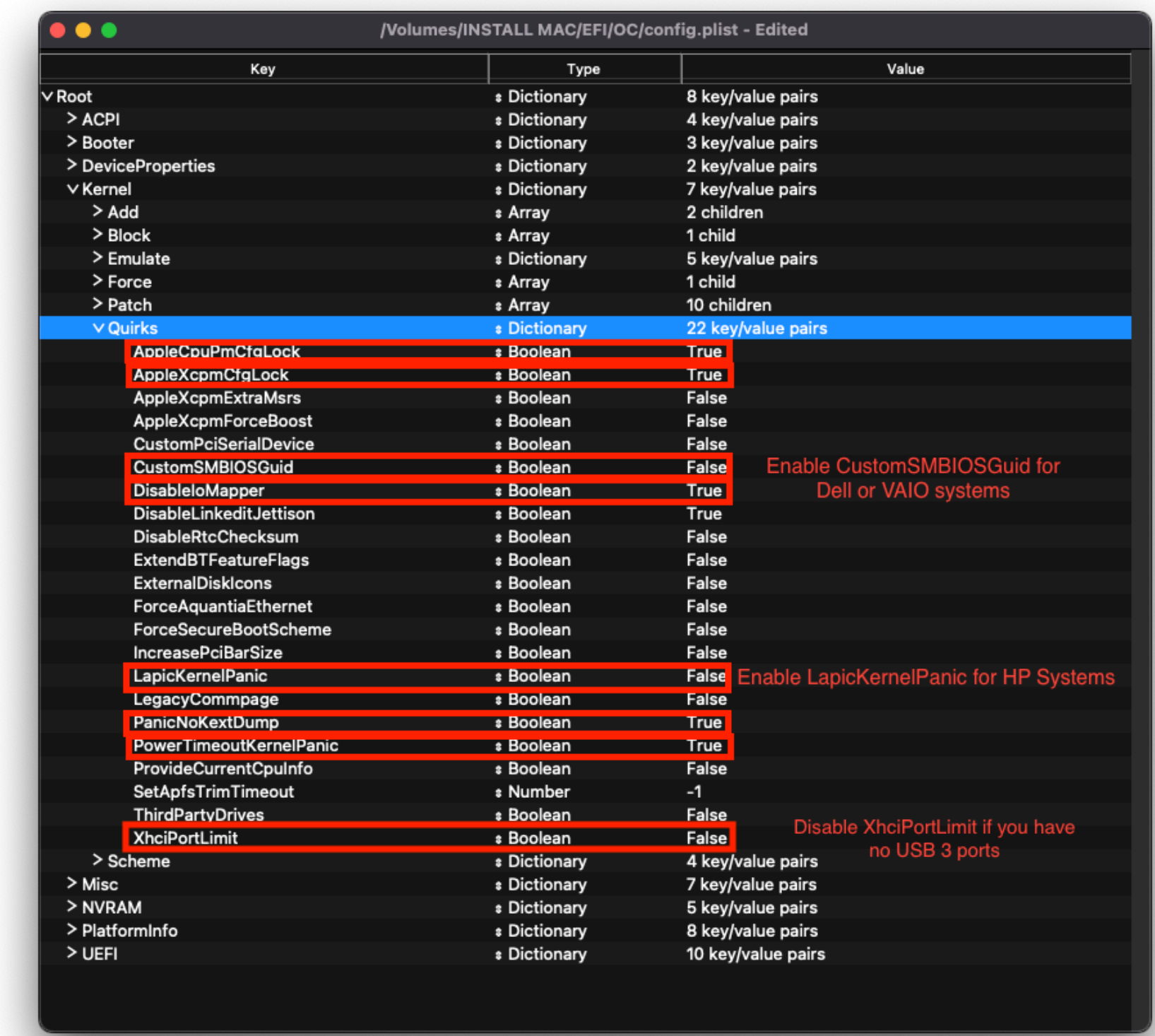
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Kernel



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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Emulate

Needed for spoofing unsupported CPUs like Pentiums and Celerons

- **Cpuid1Mask:** Leave this blank
- **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).

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 <code>CFG-Lock</code> is disabled in the BIOS
DisableIoMapper	YES	Not needed if <code>VT-D</code> is disabled in the BIOS
LapicKernelPanic	NO	HP Machines will require this quirk
PanicNoKextDump	YES	
PowerTimeoutKernelPanic	YES	

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XhciPortLimit	YES	If your board does not have USB 3.0, you can disable Disable if running macOS 11.3+
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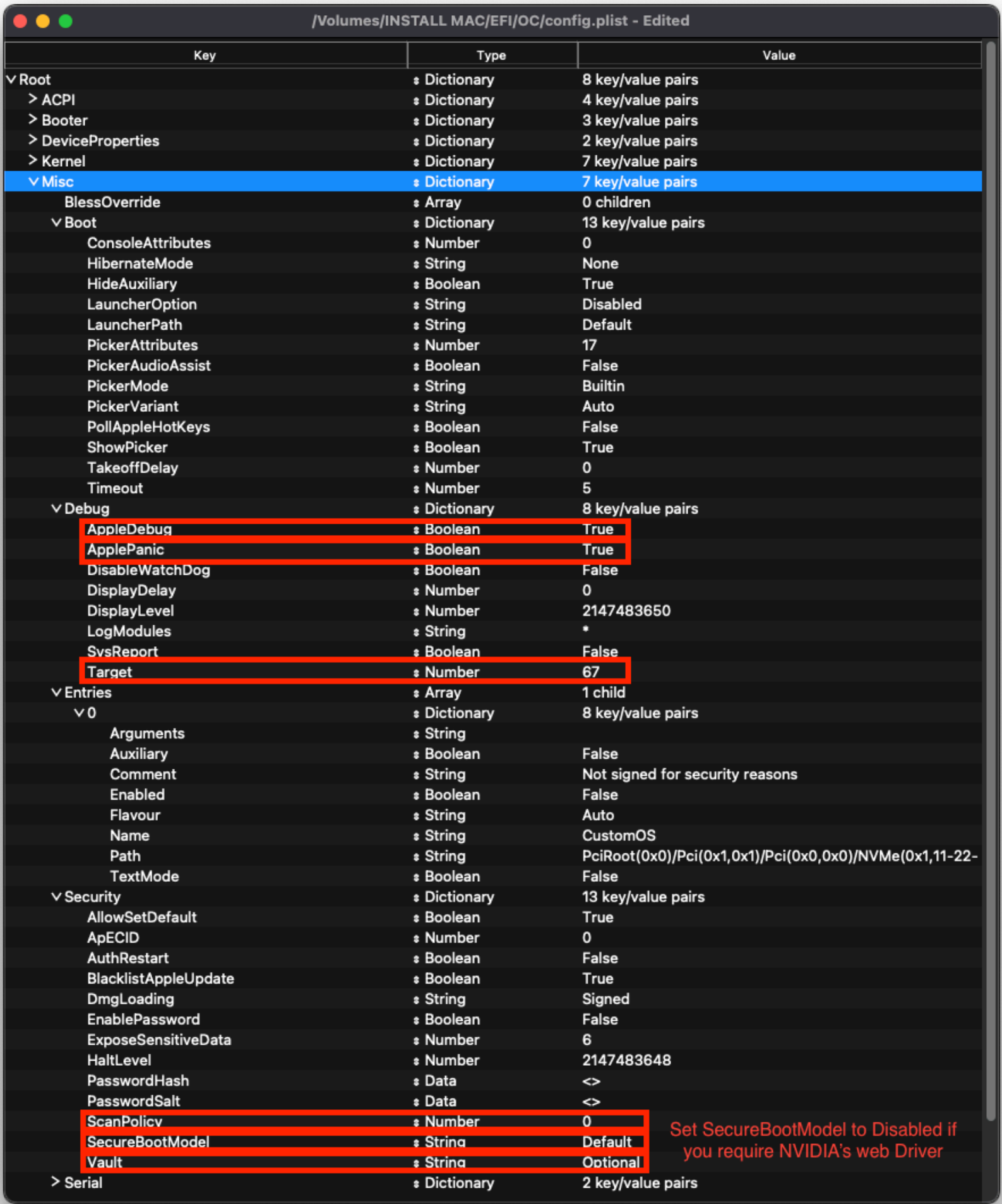
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Scheme

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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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

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ApplePanic	YES
DisableWatchDog	YES
Target	67

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Security

Info

Security is pretty self-explanatory, **do not skip**. We'll be changing the following:

Quirk	Enabled	Comment
AllowSetDefault	YES	
BlacklistAppleUpdate	YES	
ScanPolicy	0	
SecureBootModel	Default	Leave this as <code>Default</code> 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

NVRAM

/Volumes/INSTALL MAC/EFI/OC/config.plist - Edited		
Key	Type	Value
√ Root	Dictionary	8 key/value pairs
> ACPI	Dictionary	4 key/value pairs
> Booter	Dictionary	3 key/value pairs
> DeviceProperties	Dictionary	2 key/value pairs
> Kernel	Dictionary	7 key/value pairs
> Misc	Dictionary	7 key/value pairs
√ NVRAM	Dictionary	5 key/value pairs
√ Add	Dictionary	3 key/value pairs
√ 4D1EDE05-38C7-4A6A-9CC6-4BCCA8B38C	Dictionary	1 key/value pair
DefaultBackgroundColor	Data	<00000000>
√ 4D1FDA02-38C7-4A6A-9CC6-4BCCA8B301C	Dictionary	1 key/value pair
rtc-blacklist	Data	<>
√ 7C436110-AB2A-4BBB-A880-FE41995C9F82	Dictionary	7 key/value pairs
#INFO (prev-lang:kbd)	String	en:252 (ABC), set 656e3a323532
ForceDisplayRotationInEFI	Number	0
SvstemAudioVolume	Data	<48>
boot-args	String	-v keepsyms=1 debug=0x100 alcid=1
csr-active-config	Data	<00000000>
prev-lang:kbd	Data	<>
run-efi-updater	String	No
√ Delete	Dictionary	3 key/value pairs
√ 4D1EDE05-38C7-4A6A-9CC6-4BCCA8B38C	Array	1 child
0	String	DefaultBackgroundColor
√ 4D1FDA02-38C7-4A6A-9CC6-4BCCA8B301C	Array	1 child
0	String	rtc-blacklist
√ 7C436110-AB2A-4BBB-A880-FE41995C9F82	Array	2 children
0	String	boot-args
1	String	ForceDisplayRotationInEFI
LegacyOverwrite	Boolean	False
> LegacySchema	Dictionary	2 key/value pairs
WriteFlash	Boolean	True
> PlatformInfo	Dictionary	8 key/value pairs
> UEFI	Dictionary	10 key/value pairs

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

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OpenCore's NVRAM GUID, mainly relevant for RTCMemoryFixup users

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System Integrity Protection bitmask

- **General Purpose boot-args:**

boot-args	Description
-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
-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	Type	Value
prev-lang:kbd	String	en-US:0

Delete

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.

- **LegacySchema**

- Used for assigning NVRAM variables, used with `OpenVariableRuntimeDxe.efi` . Only needed for systems without native NVRAM

- **WriteFlash:** YES

- Enables writing to flash memory for all added variables.

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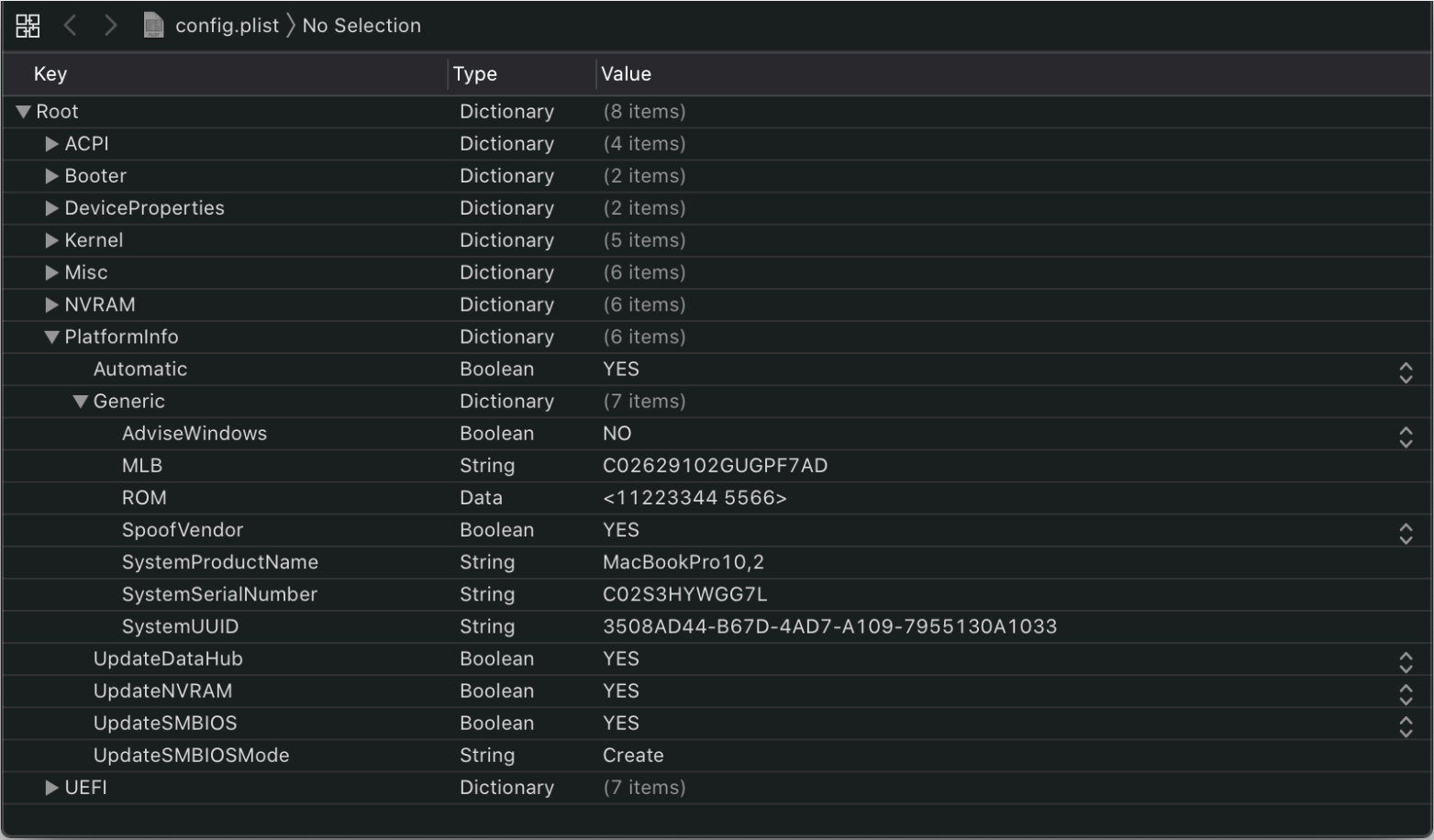
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For setting up the SMBIOS info, we'll use CorpNewt's [GenSMBIOS](#) application.

For this Arrandale example, we'll chose the MacBookPro6,1 SMBIOS - this is done intentionally for compatibility's sake. The typical breakdown is as follows:

SMBIOS	CPU Type	Display Size
MacBookPro6,1	Quad Core 45W(High End)	17"
MacBookPro6,2	Quad Core 45W(Low End)	15"

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:

```
#####
#               MacBookPro6,1  SMBIOS  Info               #
#####

Type:           MacBookPro6,1
Serial:          C02G3ZYFDC79
Board Serial:    C021291014NDCMVCB
SmUUID:          C8A54C45-8E99-440A-9A52-1B62A0074FA5
```

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 `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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Key	Type	Value
APFS	Dictionary	6 key/value pairs
EnableJumpstart	Boolean	True
GlobalConnect	Boolean	False
HideVerbose	Boolean	True
JumpstartHotPlug	Boolean	False
MinDate	Number	0
MinVersion	Number	0
AppleInput	Dictionary	10 key/value pairs
Audio	Dictionary	11 key/value pairs
ConnectDrivers	Boolean	True
Drivers	Array	3 children
0	Dictionary	5 key/value pairs
Arguments	String	
Comment	String	HFS+ Driver
Enabled	Boolean	True
LoadEarly	Boolean	False
Path	String	HfsPlus.efi
1	Dictionary	5 key/value pairs
Arguments	String	
Comment	String	
Enabled	Boolean	True
LoadEarly	Boolean	False
Path	String	OpenRuntime.efi
2	Dictionary	5 key/value pairs
Arguments	String	
Comment	String	
Enabled	Boolean	False
LoadEarly	Boolean	False
Path	String	OpenUsbKbDxe.efi
Input	Dictionary	8 key/value pairs
KeyFiltering	Boolean	False
KeyForgetThreshold	Number	5
KeySupport	Boolean	False
KeySupportMode	String	Auto
KeySwap	Boolean	False
PointerSupport	Boolean	False
PointerSupportMode	String	ASUS
TimerResolution	Number	50000
Output	Dictionary	15 key/value pairs
ClearScreenOnModeSwitch	Boolean	False
ConsoleMode	String	
DirectGopRendering	Boolean	False
ForceResolution	Boolean	False
GopPassThrough	String	Disabled
IgnoreTextInGraphics	Boolean	False
ProvideConsoleGop	Boolean	True
ReconnectGraphicsOnConnect	Boolean	False
ReconnectOnResChange	Boolean	False
ReplaceTabWithSpace	Boolean	False
Resolution	String	Max
SanitiseClearScreen	Boolean	False
TextRenderer	String	BuiltinGraphics
UIScale	Number	0
UgaPassThrough	Boolean	False
ProtocolOverrides	Dictionary	18 key/value pairs
Quirks	Dictionary	14 key/value pairs
ActivateHpetSupport	Boolean	False
DisableSecurityPolicy	Boolean	False
EnableVectorAcceleration	Boolean	True
EnableVmx	Boolean	False
ExitBootServicesDelay	Number	0
ForceOcWriteFlash	Boolean	False
ForgeUefiSupport	Boolean	False
IgnoreInvalidFlexRatio	Boolean	True
ReleaseUsbOwnership	Boolean	True
ReloadOptionRoms	Boolean	False
RequestBootVarRouting	Boolean	True
ResizeGpuBars	Number	-1
TscSyncTimeout	Number	0
UnblockFsConnect	Boolean	False

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:

- HfsPlusLegacy.efi
- OpenRuntime.efi
- OpenUsbKbDxe.efi(If your firmware does not support UEFI)

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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)	7480770080000000	20180621
Mojave (10.14.6)	9452750070000000	20190820
Catalina (10.15.4)	1412101001000000	20200306
No restriction	-1	-1

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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](#) 

Input


Info

Related to boot.efi keyboard passthrough used for FileVault and Hotkey support, leave everything here as default besides:

Quirk	Value	Comment
KeySupport	NO	Enable if your BIOS supports UEFI

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](#) 

Quirks

Info

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

Quirk	Enabled	Comment
IgnoreInvalidFlexRatio	YES	
ReleaseUsbOwnership	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](#) 

Config reminders

HP Users:

- Kernel -> Quirks -> LapicKernelPanic -> True
 - You will get a kernel panic on LAPIC otherwise
- UEFI -> Quirks -> UnblockFsConnect -> True

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

These are the main options to check for, if you can't find it or an equivalent for it, just skip it.

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- Compatibility Support Module (CSM) (**Must be off in most cases, GPU errors/stalls like `gI0` are common when this option is enabled**) (or Legacy Support, or Hybrid Boot)
- Thunderbolt (For initial install, as Thunderbolt can cause issues if not setup correctly, if available)
- 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 (Virtualization Support)
- Above 4G Decoding
- Hyper-Threading
- Execute Disable Bit
- EHCI/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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