



UEFI & EDK II Training

How to Write a UEFI Application

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LESSON OBJECTIVE

- ★ UEFI Application with PCDs
- ★ Simple UEFI Application
- ★ Add functionality to UEFI Application
- ★ Using EADK with UEFI Application

UEFI APPLICATION W/ PCDS

Review

EDK II PCD's Purpose and Goals



Documentation : [MdeModulePkg/Universal/PCD/Dxe/Pcd.inf](#)

Purpose

- Establishes platform common definitions
- Build-time/Run-time aspects
- Binary Editing Capabilities

Goals

- Simplify porting
- Easy to associate with a module or platform

PCD SYNTAX

Review

PCDs can be located anywhere within the Workspace even though a different package will use those PCDs for a given project

.DEC

Define
PCD

Package

.INF

Reference
PCD

Module

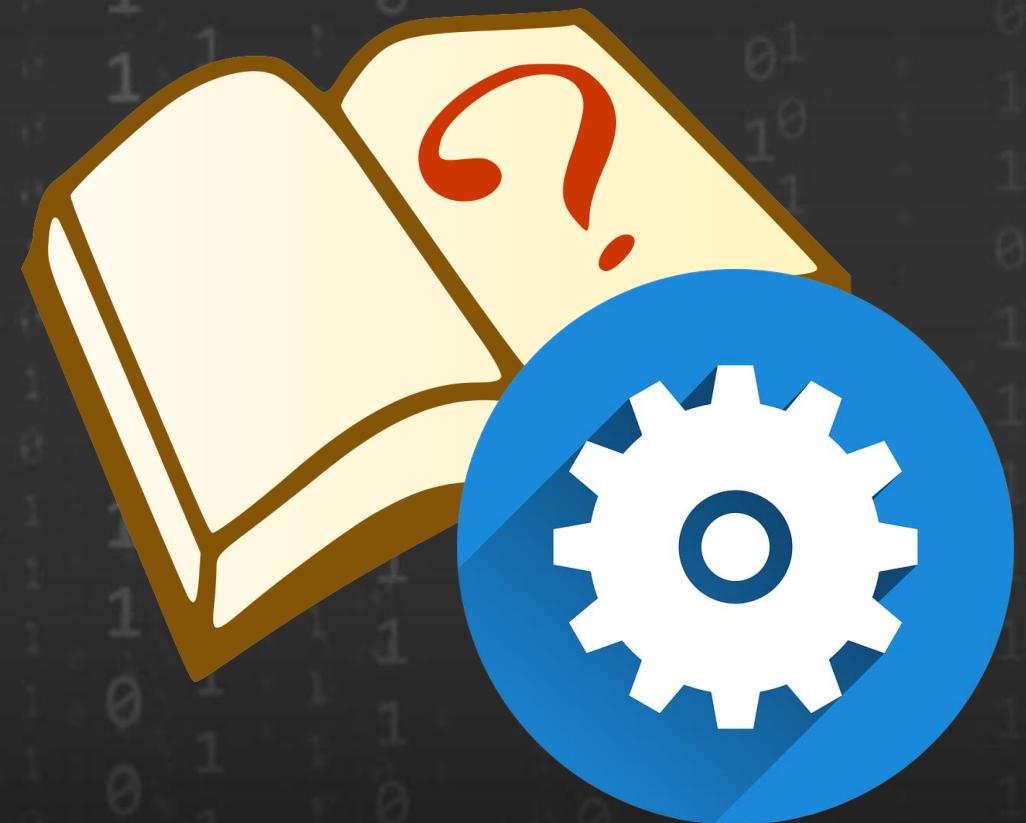
.DSC

Modify
PCD

Platform

Lab 1: Writing UEFI Applications with PCDs

In this lab, you'll learn how to write UEFI applications with PCDs.

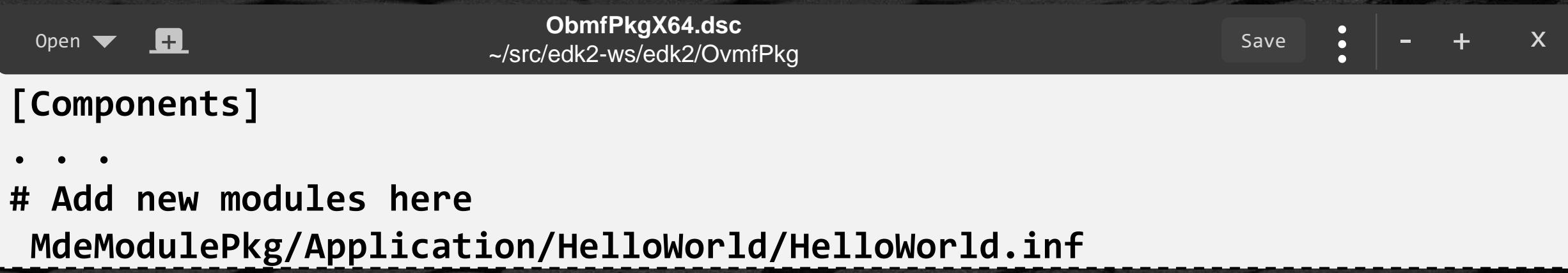


EDK II HelloWorld App Lab

First Setup for Building EDK II for OVMF, See [Lab Setup](#)

Edit and add the following line (at the end of the file)

Edit OvmfPkg/OvmfPkgX64.dsc add HelloWorld.inf - Save



```
ObmfPkgX64.dsc
~/src/edk2-ws/edk2/OvmfPkg
Save : - + X

[Components]
...
# Add new modules here
MdeModulePkg/Application/HelloWorld>HelloWorld.inf
```

Build the OvmfPkgX64 from Terminal Prompt (Cnt-Alt-T)

```
bash$ cd ~/src/edk2-ws/edk2
bash$ build -D ADD_SHELL_STRING
```

EDK II HelloWorld App Lab

1. Copy the HelloWorld.efi to the ~run-ovmf/hda-contents directory

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf/hda-contents  
bash$ cp ~/src/edk2-ws/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64>HelloWorld.efi
```

2. CD to the run-ovmf directory and run Qemu with the RunQemu.sh shell

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf  
bash$ . RunQemu.sh
```

3. At the UEFI Shell prompt

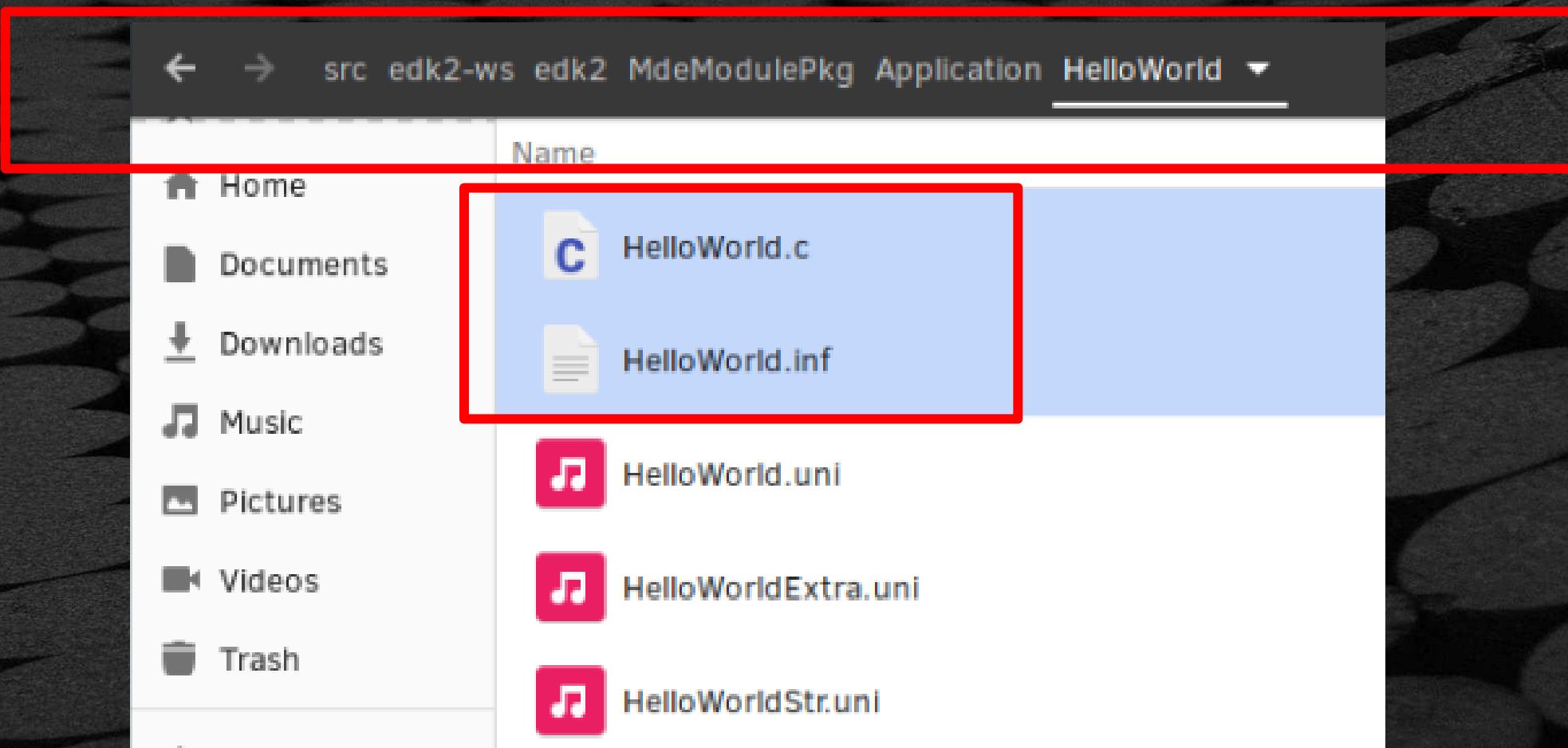
```
Shell> Helloworld  
UEFI Hello World!  
Shell>
```

How can we force the HelloWorld application to print out 3 times ?

EDK II HelloWorld App Lab



MdeModulePkg/Application>HelloWorld



EDK II HelloWorld App

Source HelloWorld.c

```
EFI_STATUS  
EFIAPI  
UefiMain (  
    IN EFI_HANDLE          ImageHandle,  
    IN EFI_SYSTEM_TABLE    *SystemTable  
)  
{  
    UINT32 Index;  
    Index = 0;  
    // Three PCD type (FeatureFlag, UINT32  
    // and String) are used as the sample.  
    if (FeaturePcdGet (PcdHelloWorldPrintEnable)) {  
        for (Index = 0; Index < PcdGet32 (PcdHelloWorldPrintTimes); Index++) {  
  
            // Use UefiLib Print API to print  
            // string to UEFI console  
  
            Print ((CHAR16*)PcdGetPtr (PcdHelloWorldPrintString));  
        }  
    }  
  
    return EFI_SUCCESS;  
}
```

EDK II HelloWorld App Solution

1. Edit the file OvmfPkg/OvmfPkgX64.dsc

After the section **[PcdsFixedAtBuild]** (search for “**PcdsFixedAtBuild**” or “**Hello**”)



```
Open ▾ + ObmfPkgX64.dsc
~/src/edk2-ws/edk2//OvmfPkg Save : - + X
[PcdsFixedAtBuild]
gEfiMdeModulePkgTokenSpaceGuid.PcdHelloWorldPrintTimes | 3
```

2. Re-Build – Cd to ~/src/edk2 dir

```
bash$ build -D ADD_SHELL_STRING
```

3. Copy HelloWorld.efi

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf/hda-contents
bash$ cp ~/src/edk2/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/HelloWorld.efi .
```

EDK II HelloWorld App Solution

4. Run Qemu

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf  
bash$ . RunQemu.sh
```

5. At the Shell prompt

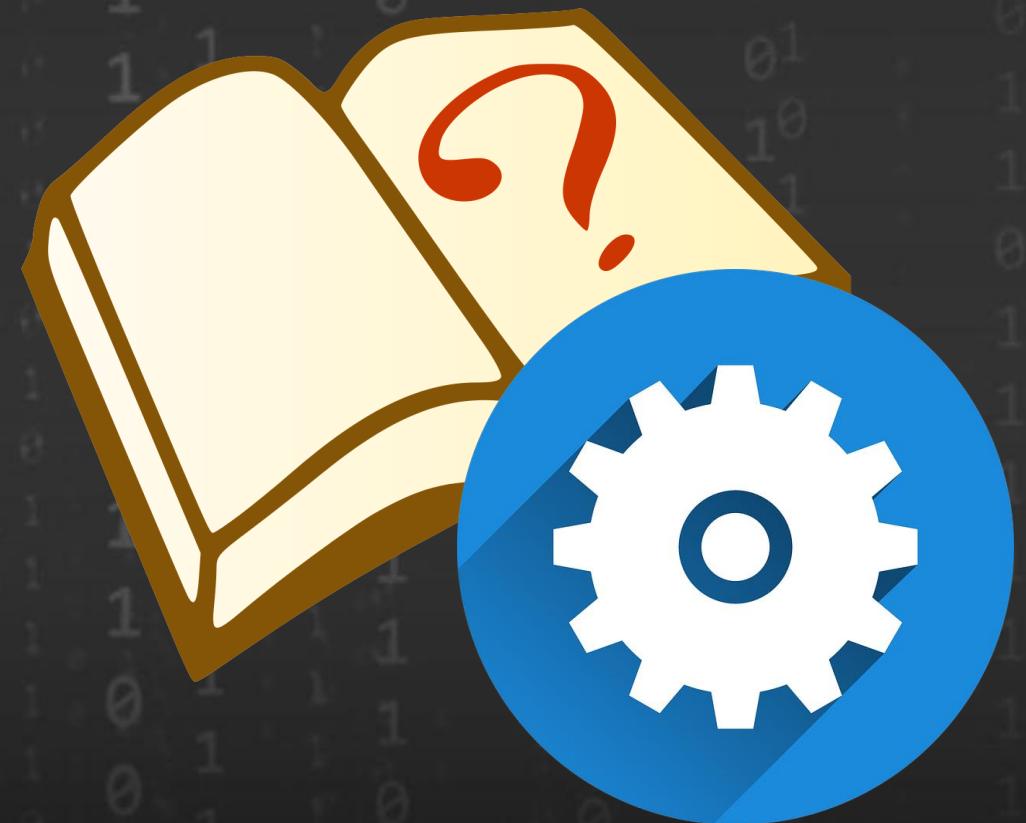
```
Shell> Helloworld  
UEFI Hello World!  
UEFI Hello World!  
UEFI Hello World!  
Shell>
```

How can we change the **string** of the HelloWorld application?

Also see ~src/edk2-ws/edk2/MdeModulePkg/MdeModulePkg.Dec

Lab 2: Write a Simple UEFI Applications

In this lab, you'll learn how to write simple UEFI applications.



LAB 2 - Writing a Simple UEFI Application

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“C” file

```
EFI_STATUS  
EFIAPI  
UefiMain (  
    IN EFI_HANDLE     ImageHandle,  
    IN EFI_SYSTEM_TABLE *SystemTable  
)  
{  
    return EFI_SUCCESS;  
}
```

.inf file

```
[Defines]  
INF_VERSION      =  
BASE_NAME        =  
FILE_GUID        =  
MODULE_TYPE      =  
VERSION_STRING   =  
ENTRY_POINT      =
```

[Sources]

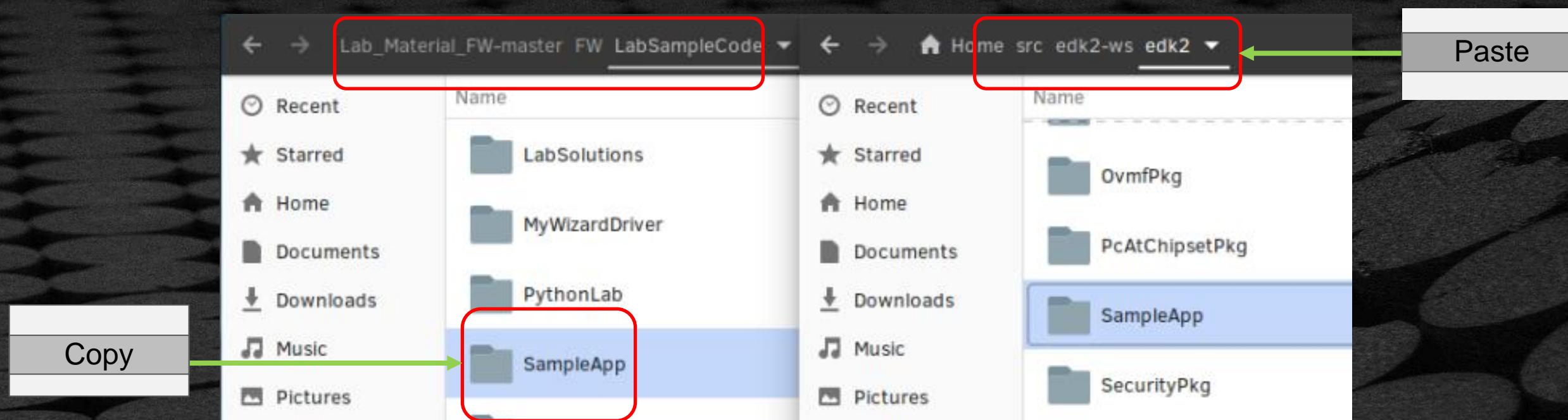
[Packages]

[LibraryClasses]

- What goes into the Simplest “C”
- Start with what should go into the Simplest .INF file

Application Lab – start with .c and .inf template

1. Copy the LabSampleCode/SampleApp directory to ~src/edk2-ws/edk2



2. Edit **SampleApp.inf**

- Look in the INF for “xxxxxxxxxxxx” sections that will need information
- Create Name & GUID, and then fill in the MODULE_TYPE

Lab 2: Sample Application INF file

```
SampleApp.inf
~/src/edk2-wsedk2/SampleApp
```

Save : - + X

[Defines]

INF_VERSION	= 0x00010005
BASE_NAME	= XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
FILE_GUID	= XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
MODULE_TYPE	= XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
VERSION_STRING	= 1.0
ENTRY_POINT	= UefiMain

[Sources]

XXXXXX

[Packages]

#XXXXXX

[LibraryClasses]

#XXXXXXXXXXXXXX

[Guids]

. . .

SampleApp

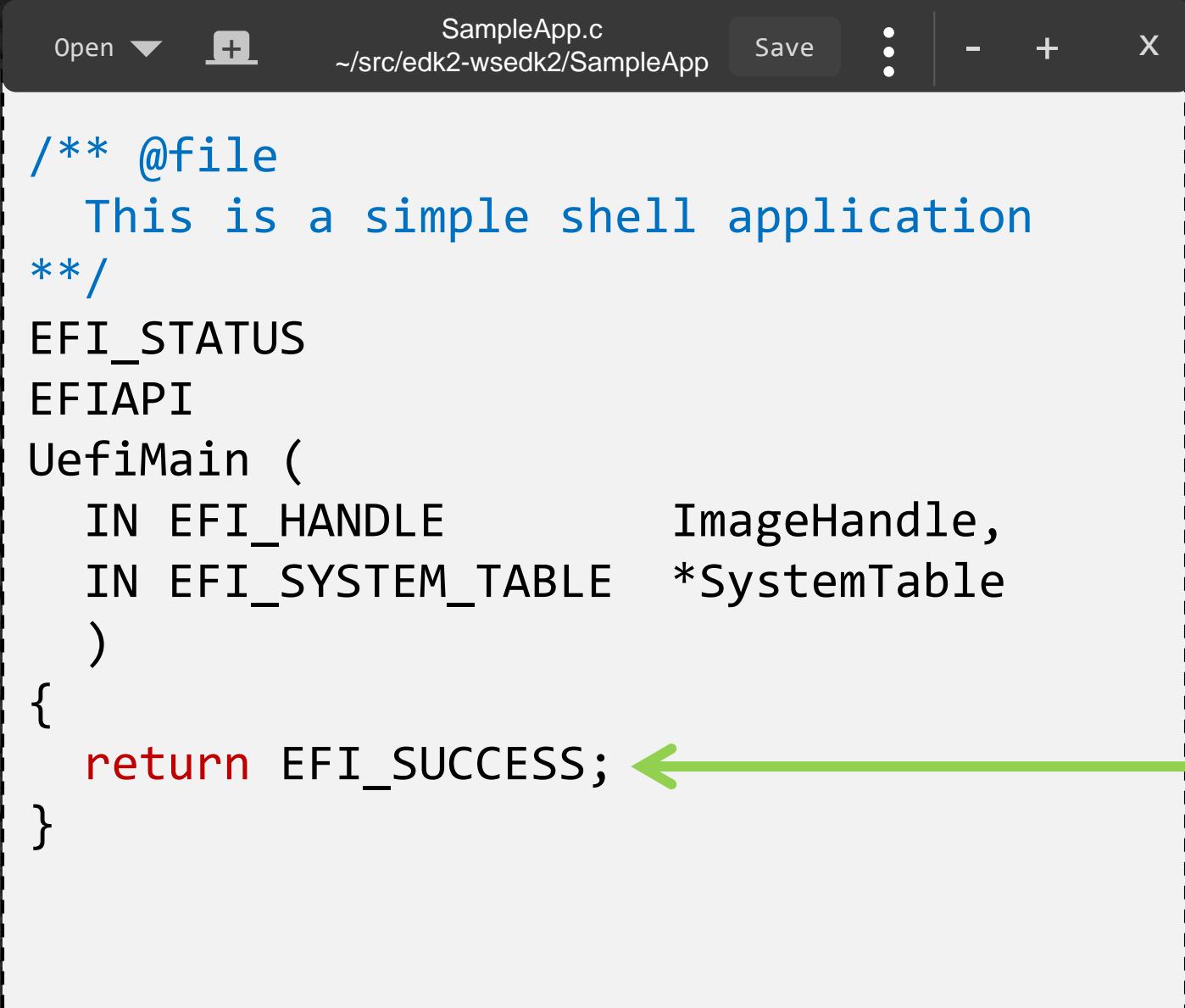
Get a GUID

UEFI_APPLICATION

SampleApp.c

Get a GUID guidgenerator.com/

Lab 2: Sample Application ‘C’ file



The screenshot shows a code editor window titled "SampleApp.c" with the path "~/src/edk2-wsedk2/SampleApp". The code is a simple EFI application:

```
/** @file
This is a simple shell application
*/
EFI_STATUS
EFIAPI
UefiMain (
    IN EFI_HANDLE           ImageHandle,
    IN EFI_SYSTEM_TABLE     *SystemTable
)
{
    return EFI_SUCCESS;
}
```

*Does not do anything
but return Success*

Lab 2: Will it compile now?

Not yet ...

1. Need to add headers to the .C file
2. Need to add a reference to INF from the platform DSC
3. Need to add a few Package dependencies and libraries to the .INF

Application Lab – Update Files

1. .DSC (OvmfPkg/OvmfPkgX64.dsc)

[Components . . .]

Add INF to components section, before build options

Hint: add to the end of the file

SampleApp/SampleApp.inf

2. .INF File (SampleApp/SampleApp.inf)

Packages (all depend on MdePkg)

[Packages]

MdePkg/MdePkg.dec

[LibraryClasses]

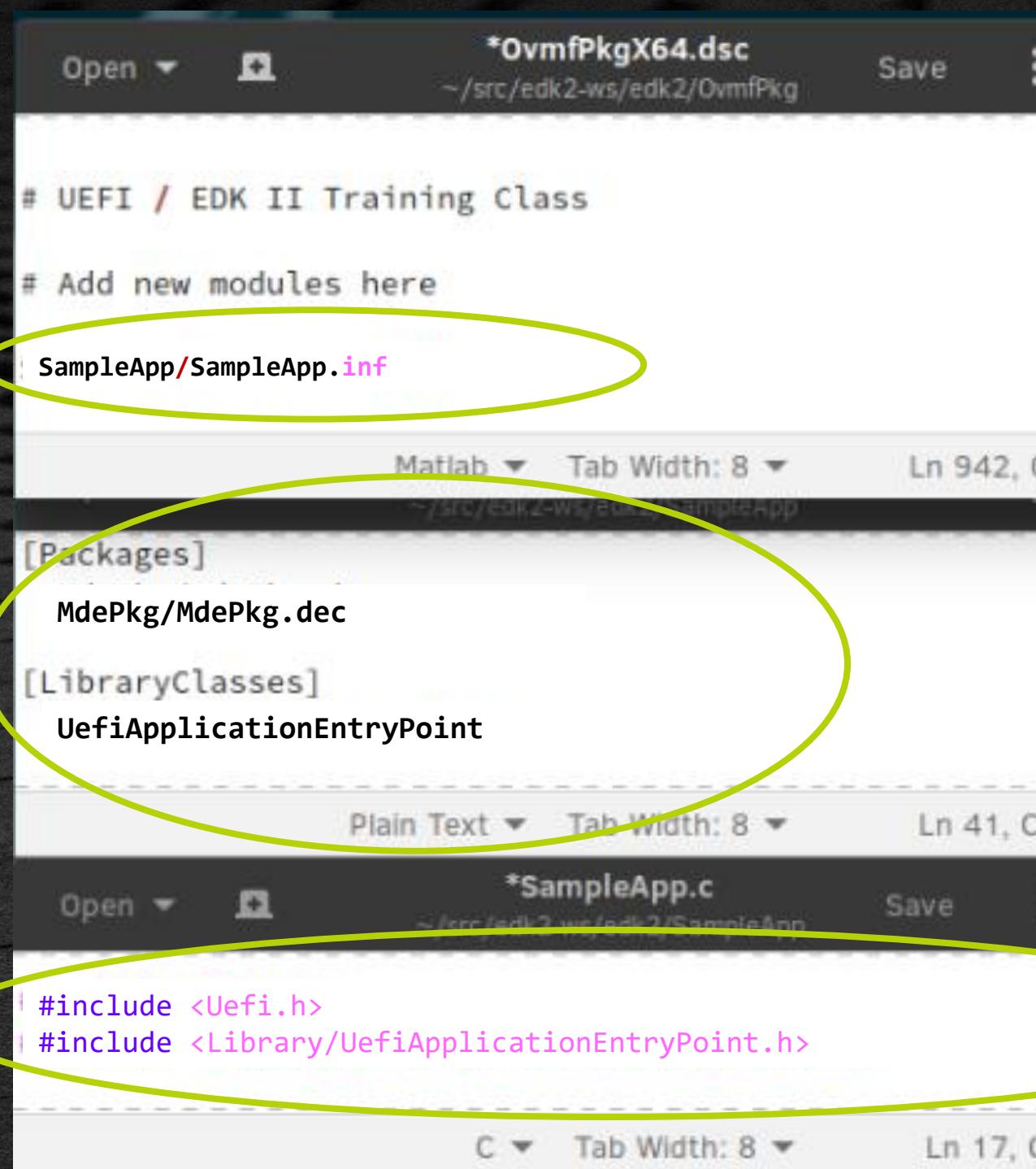
UefiApplicationEntryPoint

3. .C file - Header references File (SampleApp/SampleApp.c)

```
#include <Uefi.h>
```

```
#include <Library/UefiApplicationEntryPoint.h>
```

Lab 2: Lab cont. Solution



*OvmfPkgX64.dsc
~/src/edk2-ws/edk2/OvmfPkg

```
# UEFI / EDK II Training Class
# Add new modules here
SampleApp/SampleApp.inf
```

[Packages]
MdePkg/MdePkg.dec

[LibraryClasses]
UefiApplicationEntryPoint

*SampleApp.c
~/src/edk2-ws/edk2/SampleApp

```
#include <Uefi.h>
#include <Library/UefiApplicationEntryPoint.h>
```

OvmfPkg/OvmfPkgX64.dsc

SampleApp/SampleApp.inf

SampleApp/SampleApp.c

Lab 2 : Will it compile now?

Yes, Build SampleApp – Cd to ~/src/edk2 directory

```
bash$ build -D ADD_SHELL_STRING
```

Copy SampleApp.efi to hda-contents

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf/hda-contents  
bash$ cp ~/src/edk2-ws/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp.efi .
```

Test by Invoking Qemu

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf  
bash$ . RunQemu.sh
```

Run the application from the shell

```
Shell> SampleApp  
Shell>
```

Notice that the program will immediately unload because the main function is empty

Possible Build Errors

Error on SampleApp.inf

```
EFI_SOURCE      = /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/EdkCompatibilityPkg  
EDK_TOOLS_PATH = /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/BaseTools  
CONF_PATH       = /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Conf  
  
Architecture(s) = X64  
Build target    = DEBUG  
Toolchain        = GCC5  
  
Active Platform      = /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/OvmfPkg/OvmfPkgX64.dsc  
Flash Image Definition = /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/OvmfPkg/OvmfPkgX64.fdf  
  
Processing meta-data ..  
  
build.py...  
/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/SampleApp/SampleApp.inf(21): error 3000: No value specified  
    FILE_GUID          =  
  
- Failed -  
Build end time: 15:20:18, Jun.15 2017  
Build total time: 00:00:03  
  
u-uefi@uuefi-TPad:~/src/edk2$
```

```
Processing meta-data ..  
  
build.py...  
: error CODE: Unknown fatal error when processing [/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/SampleApp/SampleApp.inf]  
(Please send email to edk2-devel@lists.01.org for help, attaching following call stack trace!)  
  
(Python 2.7.12 on linux2) Traceback (most recent call last):  
  File "/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/BaseTools/BinWrappers/PosixLike/../../Source/Python/build/build.py", line  
  2493, in Main  
    MyBuild.Launch()  
  File "/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/BaseTools/BinWrappers/PosixLike/../../Source/Python/build/build.py", line  
  2226, in Launch  
    self._MultiThreadBuildPlatform()  
  File "/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/BaseTools/BinWrappers/PosixLike/../../Source/Python/build/build.py", line  
  2047, in _MultiThreadBuildPlatform  
    Ma.CreateCodeFile(True)  
  File "/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/BaseTools/Source/Python/AutoGen/AutoGen.py", line 4213, in CreateCodeFil  
e
```

The FILE_GUID was invalid or not updated from “XXX...” to a proper formatted GUID

Possible Build Errors

Error on SampleApp.inf

```
Building ... /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/ShellPkg/Application/Shell/Shell.inf [X64]
Building ... /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/MdeModulePkg/Application/HelloWorld/HelloWorld.inf [X64]
make: Nothing to be done for 'tbuild'.
Building ... /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/SampleApp/SampleApp.inf [X64]
make: Nothing to be done for 'tbuild'.
"gcc" -g -fshort-wchar -fno-builtin -fno-strict-aliasing -Wall -Wno-array-bounds -ffunction-sections -fdata-sections -include AutoGen.h -fno-common -DSTRING_ARRAY_NAME=SampleAppStrings -m64 -fno-stack-protector "-DEFIAPI=__attribute__((ms_abi))" -faccumulate-outgoing-args -fno-red-zone -Wno-address -mcmodel=small -fpie -fno-asynchronous-unwind-tables -Wno-address -fno-DUSING_LTO -Os -fno-mmx -fno-sse -D DISABLE_NEW_DEPRECATED_INTERFACES -c -o /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/Ovmfx64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/OUTPUT./SampleApp.obj -I/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/SampleApp -I/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/Ovmfx64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/DEBUG /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/SampleApp/SampleApp.c
make: Nothing to be done for 'tbuild'.
In file included from <command-line>:0:0:
/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/Ovmfx64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/DEBUG/AutoGen.h:16:18: fatal error: Base.h: No such file or directory
compilation terminated.
GNUmakefile:329: recipe for target '/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/Ovmfx64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/OUTPUT/SampleApp.obj' failed
make: *** [/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/Ovmfx64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/OUTPUT/SampleApp.obj] Error 1

build.py...
: error 7000: Failed to execute command
    make tbuild [/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/Ovmfx64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp]
```

The [Packages] was invalid or did not specify MdePkg/MdePkg.dec properly

Possible Build Errors

GCC compiler Error on SampleApp.c

```
make: Nothing to be done for 'tbuild'.
```

```
"gcc" -g -fshort-wchar -fno-builtin -fno-strict-aliasing -Wall -Wno-array-bounds -ffunction-sections -fdata-sections -include AutoGen.h -fno-common -DSTRING_ARRAY_NAME=SampleAppStrings -m64 -fno-stack-protector "-DEFIAPI=__attribute__((ms_abi))" -faccumulate-outgoing-args -fno-red-zone -Wno-address -mcmodel=small -fpie -fno-asynchronous-unwind-tables -Wno-address -flto -fusing_LTO -Os -fno-mmx -fno-sse -D DISABLE_NEW_DEPRECATED_INTERFACES -c -o /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/Ovmfx64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/OUTPUT/./SampleApp.obj -I/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/SampleApp -I/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/Ovmfx64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/DEBUG -I/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/MdePkg -I/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/MdePkg/Include -I/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/MdePkg/Include/X64 /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/SampleApp/SampleApp.c
```

```
/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/SampleApp/SampleApp.c:16:48: fatal error: Library/UefiApplicationsEntryPoint.h: No such file or directory
 #include <Library/UefiApplicationsEntryPoint.h>
                                         ^
compilation terminated.
GNUmakefile:357: recipe for target '/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/Ovmfx64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/OUTPUT/SampleApp.obj' failed
make: *** [/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/Ovmfx64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/OUTPUT/SampleApp.obj] Error 1
```



```
build.py...
: error 7000: Failed to execute command
    make tbuild [/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/Ovmfx64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp]
```



```
build.py...
: error F002: Failed to build module
    /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/SampleApp/SampleApp.inf [X64, GCC5, DEBUG]
```

The #include <Library/UefiApplicationEntryPoint.h> has a typo (“Application” not “Applications”)

Possible Build Errors

GCC compiler Error on SampleApp.c

```
objcopy --add-gnu-debuglink=/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/DEB  
UG/SampleApp.debug /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/DEBUG/Sample  
App.dll  
objcopy: /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/DEBUG/stSSWk1b: debugl  
ink section already exists  
cp -f /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/DEBUG/SampleApp.debug /ho  
me/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp.debug  
"GenFw" -e UEFI_APPLICATION -o /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/  
DEBUG/SampleApp.efi /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/DEBUG/Sampl  
eApp.dll  
GenFw: Elf64Convert.c:440: ScanSections64: Assertion `FALSE' failed.  
GenFw: ERROR 3000: Invalid  
    Did not find any '.text' section.  
Aborted (core dumped)  
GNUmakefile:325: recipe for target '/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/Sampl  
eApp/DEBUG/SampleApp.efi' failed  
make: *** [/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/DEBUG/SampleApp.efi]  
Error 134  
  
build.py...  
: error 7000: Failed to execute command  
    make tbuild [/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp]  
  
build.py...  
: error F002: Failed to build module  
    /home/u-uefi/src/edk2/SampleApp/SampleApp.inf [X64, GCC5, DEBUG]
```

The SampleApp.inf section [LibraryClasses] did not reference UefiApplicationEntryPoint

Possible Build Errors

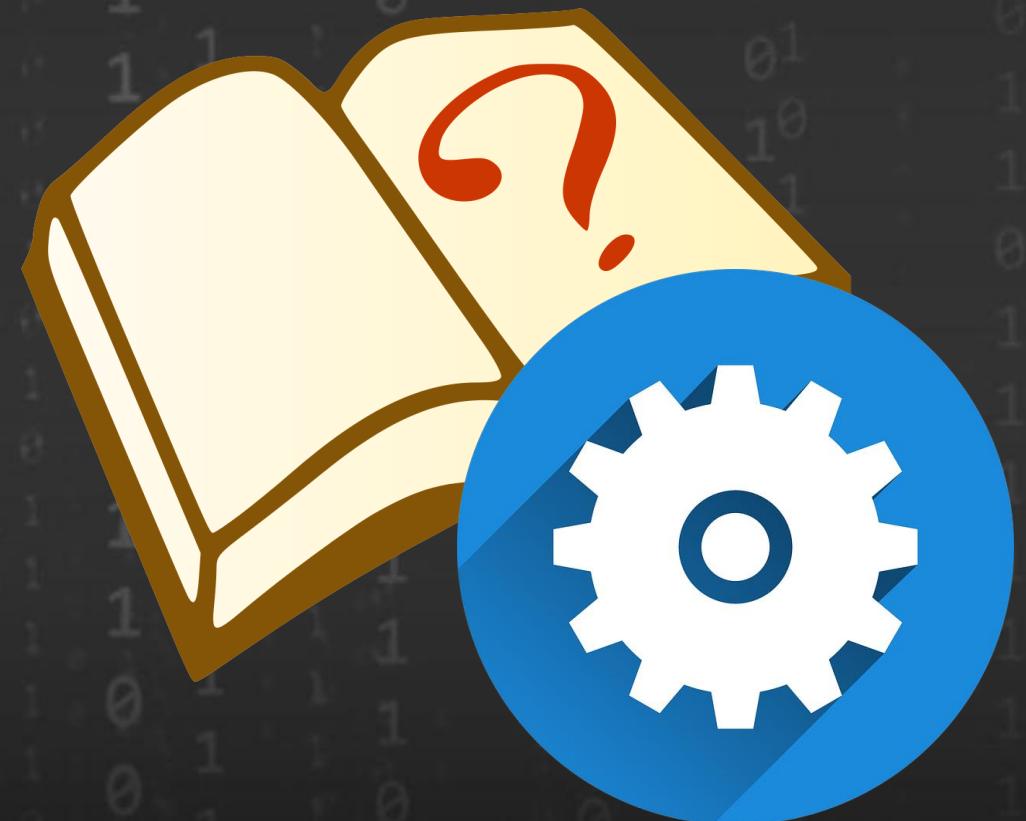
Error at the Shell prompt

```
Press ESC in 4 seconds to skip startup.nsh or any other key to continue.  
2.0 Shell> SampleApp  
'SampleApp' is not recognized as an internal or external command, operable progr  
am, or script file.  
2.0 Shell> FS0:  
2.0 FS0:\> LS SampleApp.efi  
Error. No matching files were found.  
2.0 FS0:\> _
```

Ensure the SampleApp.inf BaseName is SampleApp

Lab 2.1: Build Switches

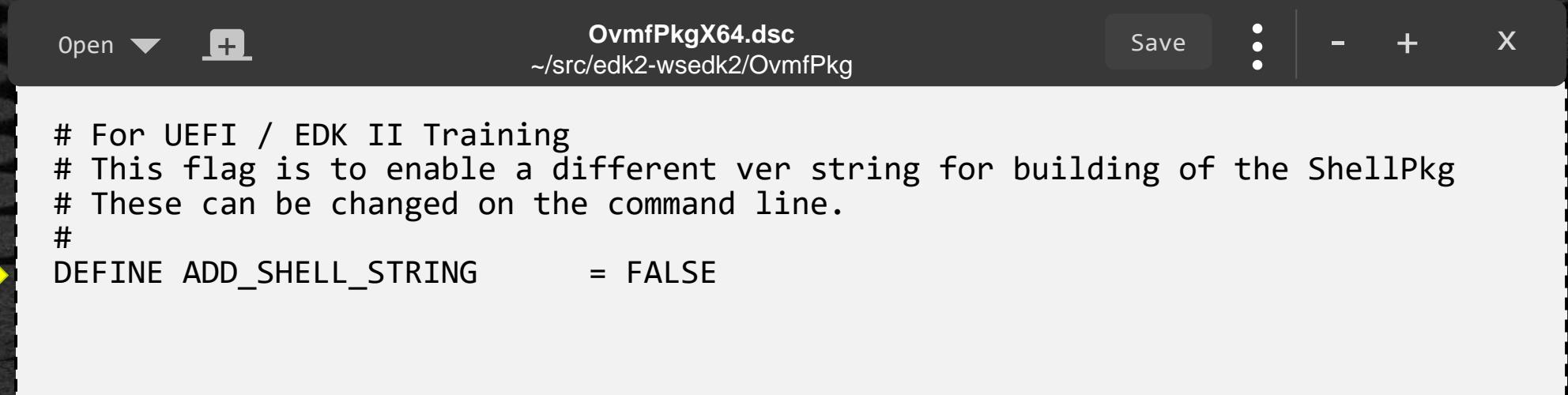
In this lab, you'll change the build switch `ADD_SHELL_STRING` to be always `TRUE`



Build MACRO Switches

The build for OvmfPkg is using build MACRO Switch:

-D ADD_SHELL_STRING – used to change a string in the UEFI Shell application, only used for EDK II Training (requires ShellPkg be re-built on a change of this switch)



```
OvmfPkgX64.dsc
~/src/edk2-wsedk2/OvmfPkg
Save : - + X

# For UEFI / EDK II Training
# This flag is to enable a different ver string for building of the ShellPkg
# These can be changed on the command line.
#
DEFINE ADD_SHELL_STRING      = FALSE
```

First delete directory Build/OvmfPkgX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/**ShellPkg**

Lab 2.1: Compiling w/out Build Switch

Build SampleApp without the –D Switch

```
bash$ build
```

Copy OVMF.fd to run-ovmf

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf/  
bash$ cp ~/src/edk2-ws/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/FV/OVMF.fd bios.bin
```

Test by Invoking Qemu

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf  
bash$ . RunQemu.sh
```

```
Shell> ver  
UEFI Interactive Shell v2.2  
EDK II  
UEFI v2.70 (EDK II, 0x00010000)  
Shell> -
```

Check the Shell Version with the “Ver” command

NOTE: First delete directory Build/OvmfPkgX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/ShellPkg

Lab 2.1: Compiling w/out Build Switch

Build SampleApp **with** the –D Switch

```
bash$ build -D ADD_SHELL_STRING
```

Copy OVMF.fd to run-ovmf

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf/  
bash$ cp ~/src/edk2-ws/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/FV/OVMF.fd bios.bin
```

Test by Invoking Qemu

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf  
bash$ . RunQemu.sh
```

```
Shell> ver  
UEFI Interactive Shell v2.2 -From ADD_SHELL_STRING Switch  
EDK II  
UEFI v2.70 (EDK II, 0x00010000)  
Shell> _
```

Check the Shell Version with the “Ver” command – see the differences

Lab 2.1: Compiling w/out Build Switch

Edit the file `~/src/edk2-ws/edk2/OvmfPkg/OvmfPkgX64.dsc`

Change the `DEFINE ADD_SHELL_STRING = FALSE` to “`TRUE`” (appx. Line 31)

Build again

```
bash$ build
```

Copy `OVMF.fd` to `run-ovmf`

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf/  
bash$ cp ~/src/edk2-ws/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/FV/OVMF.fd bios.bin
```

Test by Invoking Qemu

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf  
bash$ . RunQemu.sh
```

Check the Shell version with
“`Ver`” command

```
Shell> ver  
UEFI Interactive Shell v2.2 -From BUILD_NEW_SHELL Switch  
EDK II  
UEFI v2.70 (EDK II, 0x00010000)  
Shell> -
```

What we learned from LAB 2

1. How to write a simple native UEFI Application
2. Each module requires a .inf file with a unique GUID (use
<http://www.guidgenerator.com/>)
3. The module created will be the base name defined in the .inf file
4. The module's .inf file is required to be included in the platform .dsc file
5. The [Packages] section is required at minimum to include MdePkg/dePkg.dec
6. When using a Build Switch (-D) on the command line it overrides the value in the .DSC file
7. If it is a Library is getting updated, it is required to Build clean or delete the previous built module(s) including the library depending on what is getting re-built.

Lab 2: If there are build errors ...

See class files for the solution

- ...FW/LabSampleCode/LessonB.2
- Copy the .inf and .c files to ~src/edk2-ws/edk2/SampleApp
- Search sample DSC for reference to SampleApp.inf and add this line to your workspace DSC file
~src/edk2-ws/edk2/OvmfPkg/OvmfPkgX64.dsc

Invoke build again and check the solution

ADD FUNCTIONALITY

Add Functionality to the Simple UEFI Application :

Next 3 Labs

Lab 3: Print the UEFI System Table

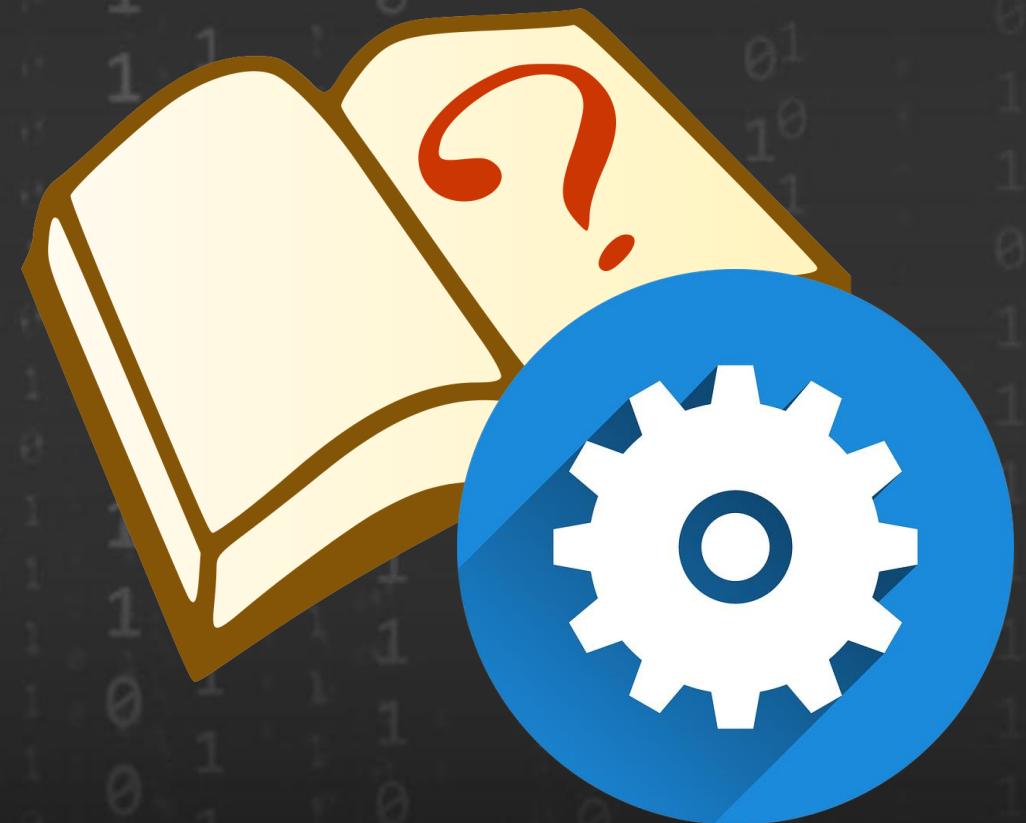
Lab 4: Wait for an Event

Lab 5: Create a Simple Typewriter function

Solutions in .../FW/LabSampleCode/LabSolutions/LessonB.n

Lab 3: Print the UEFI System Table

Add code to print the hex address of the EFI System Table pointer to the console.



Lab 3 : Add System Table Code

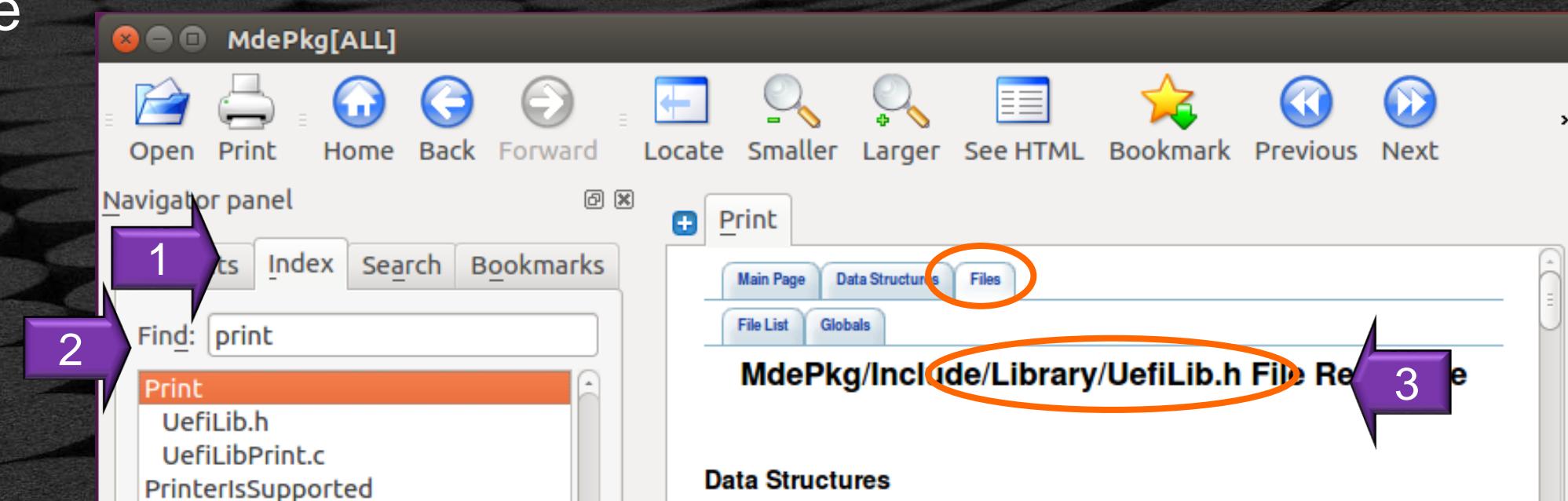
Add code to print to the console the hex address of the system table pointer

- Where is the “print” function?
- Where does the app get the pointer value?
(compared to `mem` command below)

```
Valid EFI Header at Address 0000000007E34018
-----
System: Table Structure size 00000078 revision 0002003C
ConIn (0000000007CB0550) ConOut (0000000006EEE820) StdErr (0000000007CB0310)
Runtime Services 0000000007E34B98
Boot Services 0000000007EC8480
SAL System Table 0000000000000000
ACPI Table 0000000007E40000
ACPI 2.0 Table 0000000007E40014
MPS Table 0000000000000000
SMBIOS Table 0000000007E12000
Shell> sampleapp
System Table: 0x07E34018
Shell> _
```

Lab 3 : Locating the Print() Function

1. Search the MdePkg.chm and find that the Print function by clicking on the “Index” tab
2. Type “Print” and double click
3. Scroll to the top in the right window to see that the print function is in the UefiLib.h file



* NOTE: Install a CHM Viewer for Ubuntu - Clear Linux* Project See [link](#) for .chm viewer
bash\$ sudo aptitude install kchmviewer

Lab 3 : Modifying .C & .INF Files

The image shows two code editors side-by-side. The left editor is titled "SampleApp.c" and has the file path "~/src/edk2-ws/edk2/SampleApp". It contains C code for an EFI application. The right editor is titled "SampleApp.inf" and has the file path "~/src/edk2-ws/edkw/SampleApp". It contains INF file entries for Library Classes and Application Entry Points.

```
SampleApp.c
~/src/edk2-ws/edk2/SampleApp
Save : - + X

SampleApp.c
#include <Uefi.h>
#include <Library/UefiApplicationEntryPoint.h>
#include <Library/UefiLib.h>

EFI_STATUS
EFIAPI
UefiMain (
    IN EFI_HANDLE      ImageHandle,
    IN EFI_SYSTEM_TABLE *SystemTable
)
{
    Print(L"System Table: 0x%p\n", SystemTable);
    return EFI_SUCCESS;
}

SampleApp.inf
~/src/edk2-ws/edkw/SampleApp
Save : - + X

SampleApp.inf
[LibraryClasses]
UefiApplicationEntryPoint
UefiLib
```

Note: Solution files are in the lab materials directory

Lab 3 : Build and Test SampleApp

Build SampleApp – Cd to ~/src/edk2-ws/edk2 directory

```
bash$ build
```

Copy SampleApp.efi to hda-contents

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf/hda-contents  
bash$ cp ~/src/edk2-ws/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp.efi .
```

Test by Invoking Qemu

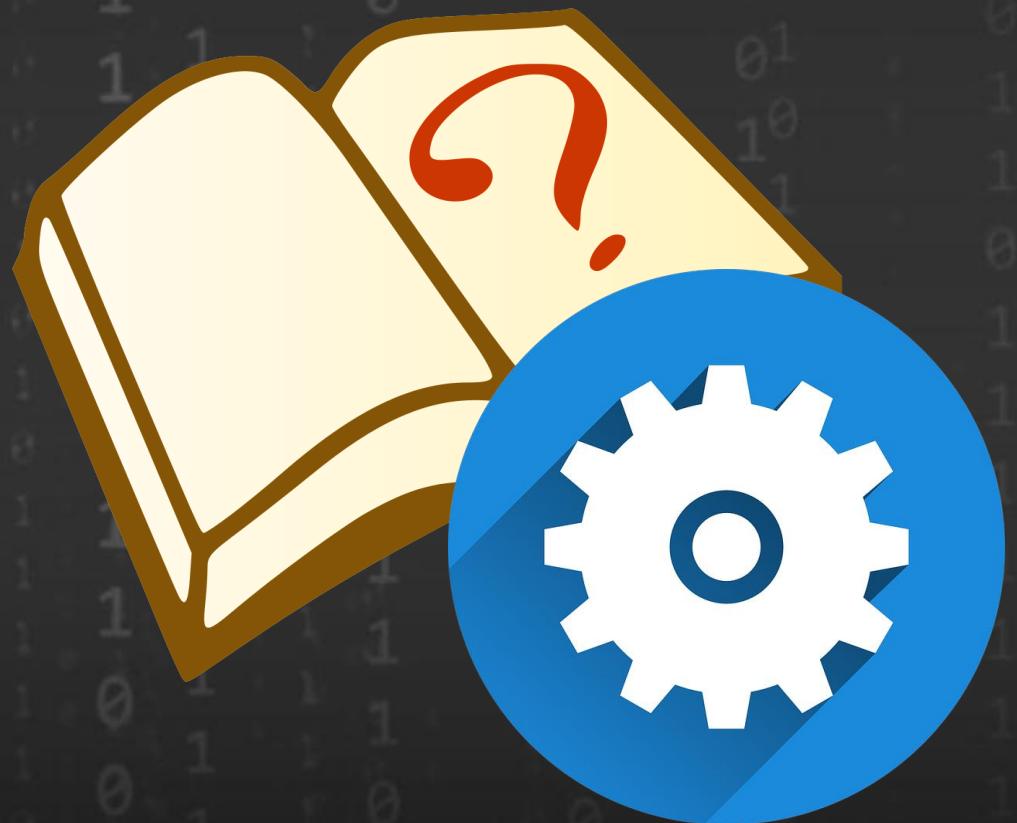
```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf  
bash$ . RunQemu.sh
```

Run the application from the shell

```
Shell> SampleApp  
System Table: 0x07E34018
```

Lab 4: Waiting for an Event

In this lab, you'll learn how to locate code and .chm files to help write EFI code for waiting for an event



Lab 4 : Add Wait for Event

Add code to make your application wait for a key press event
(WaitForEvent / WaitForKey)

```
Press ESC in 5 seconds to skip startup.nsh, any other key to continue.
```

```
Shell> SampleApp
```

```
System Table: 0x04C03F90
```

```
Press any Key to continue :
```

```
-
```

- Where are these functions located?
- What else can you do with the key press?

Lab 4: HOW?

Locate Functions: WaitForEvent / WaitForKey

- Search MdePkg.chm- "MdePkg Document With Libraries.chm" located in ...
Lab_Material_FW/FW/Documentation
 - Locate WaitForEvent in Boot Services
 - Locate WaitForKey and find (
EFI_SIMPLE_TEXT_INPUT_PROTOCOL will be part of ConIn)
- Check the UEFI Spec for parameters needed:
 - WaitForEvent is referenced via Boot Services pointer, which is referenced via
EFI System Table
 - WaitForKey can be referenced through the EFI System Table passed into the
application
- **OR** Search the working space for WaitForEvent for an example
- One can be found in MdePkg/Library/UefiLib/Console.c ~ Ln 569:

* NOTE: Install a CHM Viewer for Ubuntu
`bash$ sudo aptitude install kchmviewer`

Lab 4 : Update the C File for WaitForKey

Search the work space and find the following MdePkg/Library/UefiLib/Console.c ~ Ln 563:



```
Console.c(~/src/edk2-ws/edk2/MdePkg/Library/UefiLib)-gedit
Save

UINTN EventIndex;
• • •
// If we encounter error, continue to read another key in.
//
if (Status != EFI_NOT_READY) {
    continue
}
gBS->WaitForEvent (1, &gST->ConIn->WaitForKey, &EventIndex);
}
• • •
```

Line 410

Line 563

Add the following to SampleApp.c



```
SampleApp.c(~/src/edk2-ws/edk2/SampleApp)-gedit
Save

UINTN EventIndex;
Print(L"System Table: 0x%p\n", SystemTable);
Print(L"\nPress any Key to continue : \n");
gBS->WaitForEvent (1, &gST->ConIn->WaitForKey, &EventIndex);
```

Copy and Paste

Lab 4: Test Compile

However, this won't compile ... gBS and gST are not defined.

```
/SampleApp.c
/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/SampleApp/SampleApp.c: In function 'UefiMain':
/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/SampleApp/SampleApp.c:42:3: error: 'gBS' undeclared (first
use in this function)
    gBS->WaitForEvent (1, &gST->ConIn->WaitForKey, &EventIndex);
    ^
/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/SampleApp/SampleApp.c:42:3: note: each undeclared identifier
is reported only once for each function it appears in
/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/SampleApp/SampleApp.c:42:26: error: 'gST' undeclared (first
use in this function)
    gBS->WaitForEvent (1, &gST->ConIn->WaitForKey, &EventIndex);
    ^
GNUmakefile:376: recipe for target '/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/OUTPUT/SampleApp.obj' failed
make: *** [/home/u-uefi/src/edk2/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp/SampleApp/OUTPUT/SampleApp.obj] Error 1
```

Search the MdePkg.chm for “gBS” and “gST” – they are located in UefiBootServicesTableLib.h

Add the boot services lib to SampleApp.c ...

```
#include <Library/UefiBootServicesTableLib.h>
```

(hint: **Lesson B.4** has the solution)

Lab 4: Update for gBS & gST



SampleApp.c
~/src/edk2-ws/edk2/SampleApp

```
#include <Uefi.h>
#include <Library/UefiApplicationEntryPoint.h>
#include <Library/UefiLib.h>
#include <Library/UefiBootServicesTableLib.h> ←
// . .
EFI_STATUS
EFIAPI
UefiMain (
    IN EFI_HANDLE          ImageHandle,
    IN EFI_SYSTEM_TABLE   *SystemTable
)
{
    UINTN                 EventIndex;
    Print(L"System Table: 0x%p\n", SystemTable);
    Print(L"\nPress any Key to continue :\n");
    gBS->WaitForEvent (1, &gST->ConIn->WaitForKey, &EventIndex);
    return EFI_SUCCESS;
}
```

Lab 4 : Build and Test SampleApp

Build SampleApp – Cd to ~/src/edk2-ws/edk2 directory

```
bash$ build
```

Copy SampleApp.efi to hda-contents

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf/hda-contents  
bash$ cp ~/src/edk2-ws/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp.efi .
```

Test by Invoking Qemu

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf  
bash$ . RunQemu.sh
```

Run the application from the shell

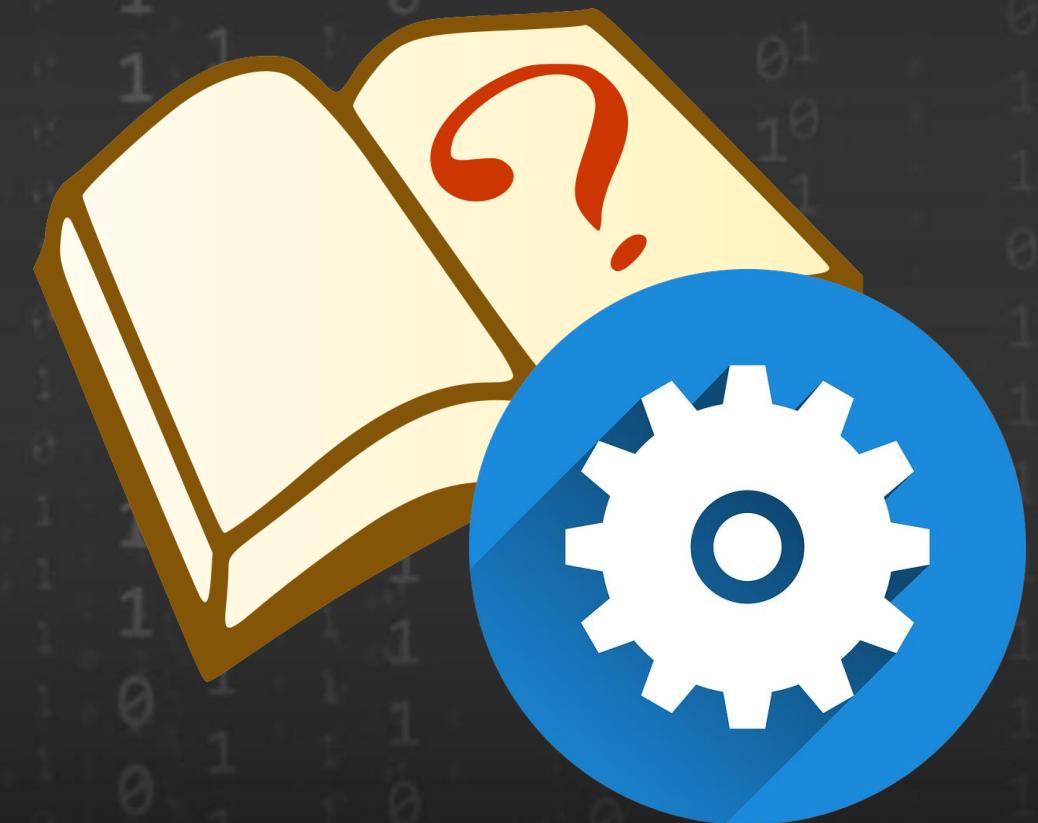
```
Shell> SampleApp  
System Table: 0x07E34018
```

Press any key to continue:

Notice that the SampleApp will wait until a key press to continue.

Lab 5: Creating a Simple Typewriter Function

In this lab, you'll learn how to create a simple typewriter function that retrieves the keys you type and subsequently prints each one back to the console

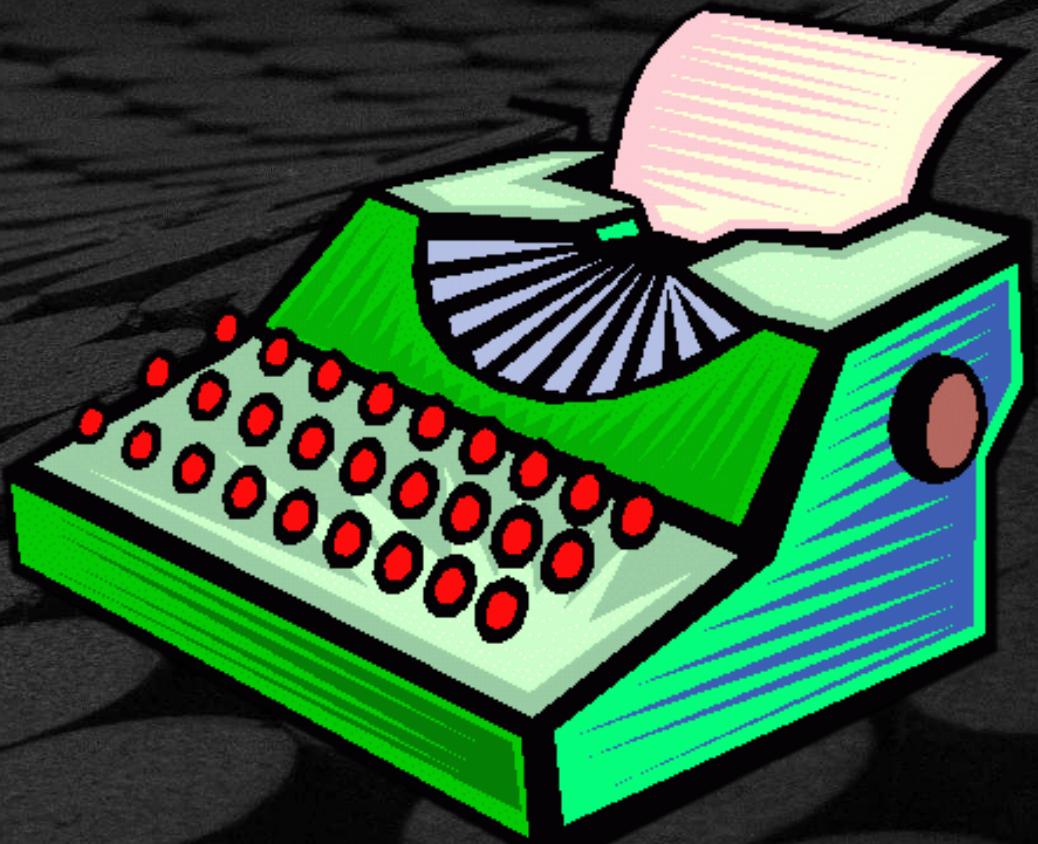


Lab 5 : Typewriter Function

Create a Simple Typewriter Function using the SampleApp from Lab 4

Requirements:

- Retrieve keys entered from keyboard (Like Lab 4)
- Print back each key entered to the console
- To exit, press “.” (DOT) and then <Enter>

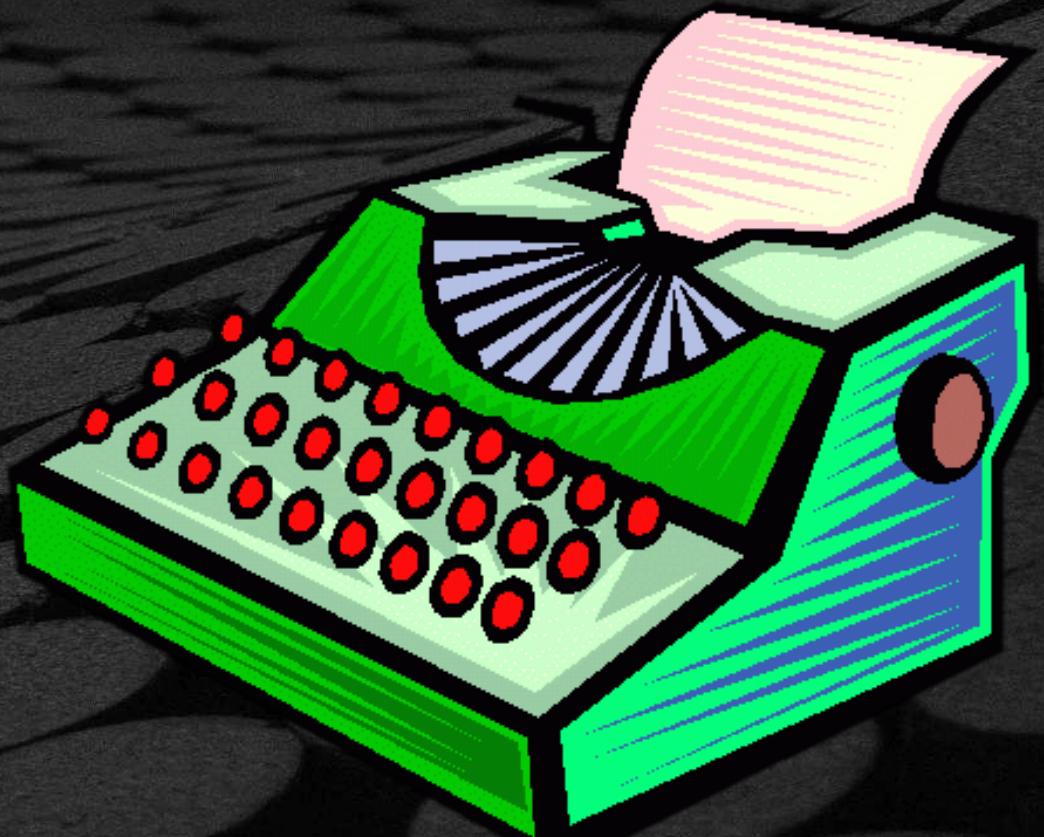


Lab 5 : Typewriter Function

Create a Simple Typewriter Function using the SampleApp from Lab 4

How:

1. Add a Loop using WaitForEvent with WaitForKey
2. Use the ReadKeyStroke function from ConIn
3. Print back each key to console
4. Exit when DOT “.” character is followed by an <Enter> key



Lab 5: How Process (Hints)

- Use the same procedure as with Lab 4 to find “ReadKeyStroke” in the work space: [MdePkg/Library/UefiLib/Console.c](#) ~ Ln 552

```
>Status = gST->ConIn->ReadKeyStroke (gST->ConIn, Key);
```
- ReadKeyStroke uses buffer called `EFI_INPUT_KEY` ~ Ln 393

```
OUT EFI_INPUT_KEY *Key,
```
- TIP: Good Idea to zero out a buffer in your function –
 - Use MdePkg.chm to find ZeroMem function
 - Use ZeroMem on your variable buffer “Key” of type `EFI_INPUT_KEY`
- Use Boolean flag “ExitLoop” to exit your loop once the user enters a DOT “.” character.

Lab 5: Solution

```
SampleApp.c
~/src/edk2-ws/edk2/SampleApp  Save  ⋮  -  +  X

#include <Uefi.h>
#include <Library/UefiApplicationEntryPoint.h>
#include <Library/UefiLib.h>
#include <Library/BaseMemoryLib.h>
#include <Library/UefiBootServicesTableLib.h>
#define CHAR_DOT 0x002E // '.' in Unicode

EFI_STATUS
EFIAPI
UefiMain (
    IN EFI_HANDLE ImageHandle,
    IN EFI_SYSTEM_TABLE *SystemTable
)
{
    UINTN EventIndex;
    BOOLEAN ExitLoop;
    EFI_INPUT_KEY Key;

// Lab 3
Print(L"System Table: 0x%p\n", SystemTable);

//Lab 4
Print( L"\nPress any Key to continue : \n\n");
gBS->WaitForEvent (1, &gST->ConIn->WaitForKey, EventIndex);
```

(hint: Lesson B.5 has the solution)

```
// Lab 5
Print(L"Enter text. Include a dot ('.') in a \
sentence then <Enter> to exit:\n\n");
ZeroMem (&Key, sizeof (EFI_INPUT_KEY));
gST->ConIn->ReadKeyStroke (gST->ConIn, &Key);
ExitLoop = FALSE;
do {
    gBS->WaitForEvent (1, &gST->ConIn->WaitForKey,
                        &EventIndex);
    gST->ConIn->ReadKeyStroke (gST->ConIn, &Key);
    Print(L"%c", Key.UnicodeChar);
    if (Key.UnicodeChar == CHAR_DOT){
        ExitLoop = TRUE
    }
} while (!(Key.UnicodeChar == CHAR_LINEFEED ||
           Key.UnicodeChar == CHAR_CARRIAGE_RETURN) ||
         !(ExitLoop) );

Print(L"\n");
return EFI_SUCCESS;
```

Lab 5: Solution

SampleApp.c Should have the following for Lab 5:

```
#include <Uefi.h>
#include <Library/UefiApplicationEntryPoint.h>
#include <Library/UefiLib.h>
#include <Library/UefiBootServicesTableLib.h>
#include <Library/BaseMemoryLib.h>
#define CHAR_DOT 0x002E // '.' in Unicode

EFI_STATUS
EFIAPI
UefiMain (
    IN EFI_HANDLE ImageHandle,
    IN EFI_SYSTEM_TABLE *SystemTable
)
{
    UINTN EventIndex;
    BOOLEAN ExitLoop;
    EFI_INPUT_KEY Key;

    // Lab 3
    Print(L"System Table: 0x%p\n", SystemTable);

    //Lab 4
    Print( L"\nPress any Key to continue : \n\n");
    gBS->WaitForEvent (1, &gST->ConIn->WaitForKey,
```

```
// Lab 5
Print(L"Enter text. Include a dot ('.') in a sentence then
<Enter> to exit:\n\n");
ZeroMem (&Key, sizeof (EFI_INPUT_KEY));
gST->ConIn->ReadKeyStroke (gST->ConIn, &Key);
ExitLoop = FALSE;
do {
    gBS->WaitForEvent (1, &gST->ConIn-
>WaitForKey,&EventIndex);
    gST->ConIn->ReadKeyStroke (gST->ConIn, &Key);
    Print(L"%c", Key.UnicodeChar);
    if (Key.UnicodeChar == CHAR_DOT){
        ExitLoop = TRUE;
    }
} while (!(Key.UnicodeChar == CHAR_LINEFEED ||
    Key.UnicodeChar == CHAR_CARRIAGE_RETURN) ||
    !(ExitLoop) );

Print(L"\n");
return EFI_SUCCESS;
}
```

Lab 5 :Build and Test SampleApp

Build SampleApp - Cd to ~/src/edk2-ws/edk2 dir

```
bash$ build
```

Copy SampleApp.efi to hda-contents

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf/hda-contents
```

```
bash$ cp ~/src/edk2-ws/Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp.efi .
```

Test by Invoking Qemu

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf
```

```
bash$ . RunQemu.sh
```

```
Shell> sampleapp  
System Table: 0x061CBF90
```

Run the application from the shell

```
Press any Key to continue :  
Enter text. Include a dot ('.') in a sentence then <Enter> to exit:
```

```
This is text from the type writer function.
```

```
Shell> _
```

Bonus Exercise: Open Protocol Example

Write an Application using `argv`, `argc` parameters

- Captures command line parameters using Open Protocol
- Need to open SHELL_INTERFACE_PROTOCOL
- Note: Requires ShellPkg

Build SampleApp – Cd to `~/src/edk2-ws/edk2`

Copy `SampleApp.efi` to `hda-contents`

Test by Invoking Qemu

Run the application from the shell

Shell> SampleApp test1 test2

bash\$ build

```
bash$ cp Build/OvmfX64/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleApp.efi \
~/run-ovmf/hda-contents
```

bash\$ cd ~/run-ovmf

```
bash$ . RunQemu.sh
```

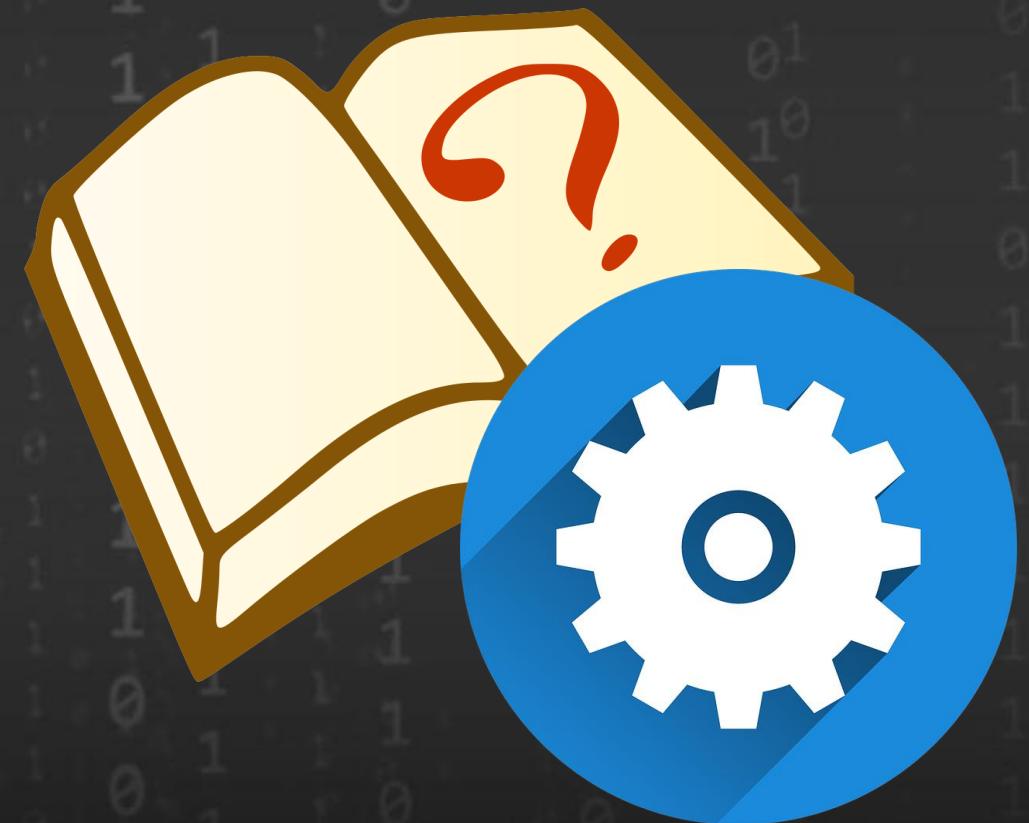
(hint: `~/FW/LabSampleCode/ShellAppSample` has the solution)

USING EADK

Using EADK with UEFI Application

Lab 6: Writing UEFI Applications with EADK

In this lab, you'll write an application with the same functionality as SampleApp.c using LibC from the EDK II Application Development Kit (EADK)



Lab 6: With EDK II EADK

Write the same application with the same functionality as SampleApp.c using the LibC from the EADK

```
Shell> fs0:  
FS0:\> SampleCApp  
System Table: 0x631bf90
```

Press any Key and then <Enter> to continue :

Enter text. Include a dot ('.') in a sentence then <Enter> to exit:

This is a sentence using my UEFI Application using the C library.

```
FS0:\> _
```

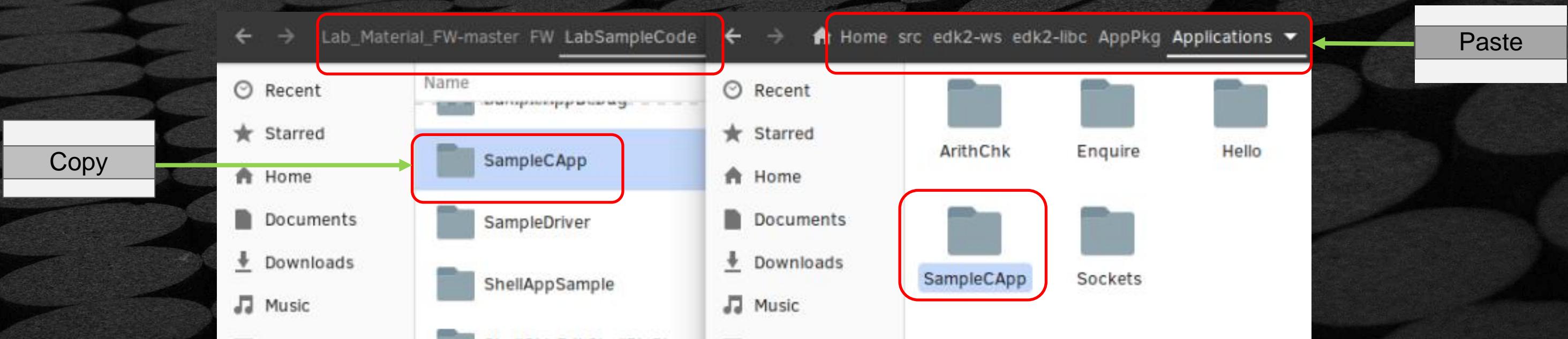
What libraries are needed

What differences are there using the LibC

Lab 6: EDK II using EADK

Start with the packages for EADK

- /edk2 - AppPkg - has directory Applications
- /edk2 - StdLib - contains the LibC libraries
- Copy and paste directory ~FW/LabSampleCode/SampleCApp to ~src/edk2/AppPkg/Applications/SampleCApp



Lab 6: EDK II using EADK

Check out AppPkg/Applications/SampleCApp

SampleCApp.c and

SampleCApp.inf

The image shows two code editors side-by-side. The left editor contains the C source code for SampleCApp.c, and the right editor contains the INF file for SampleCApp.inf.

SampleCApp.c:

```
#include <stdio.h>
// . .
int
main (
    IN int Argc,
    IN char **Argv
)
{
    return 0;
}
```

SampleCApp.inf:

```
[Defines]
INF_VERSION      = 1.25
BASE_NAME        = SampleCApp
FILE_GUID        = 4ea9...
MODULE_TYPE      = UEFI_APPLICATION
VERSION_STRING   = 0.1
ENTRY_POINT      = ShellCEntryLib

[Sources]
SampleCApp.c

[Packages]
StdLib/StdLib.dec
MdePkg/MdePkg.dec
ShellPkg/ShellPkg.dec

[LibraryClasses]
LibC
LibStdio
```

Lab 6 : Update AppPkg.dsc

Edit the AppPkg/AppPkg.dsc and add SampleCApp.inf at the end of the components section

- (hint: search for "#### Sample Applications")
- AppPkg/Applications/SampleCApp/SampleCApp.inf

```
[Components]
#### Sample Applications.
AppPkg/Applications/Hello/Hello.inf          # No LibC includes or functions.
AppPkg/Applications/Main/Main.inf             # Simple invocation. No other LibC function
AppPkg/Applications/Enquire/Enquire.inf       #
AppPkg/Applications/ArithChk/ArithChk.inf    #

AppPkg/Applications/SampleCApp/SampleCApp.inf # LAB 6
```

Lab 6 :Build and Test SampleCApp

Build the AppPkg

```
bash$ build -p AppPkg/AppPkg.dsc -m AppPkg/Applications/SampleCApp/SampleCApp.inf
```

Copy the built application to the run OVMF hda-contents directory

```
bash$ cp Build/AppPkg/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleCApp.efi ~/run-ovmf/hda-contents
```

Test by Invoking Qemu

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf  
bash$ . RunQemu.sh
```

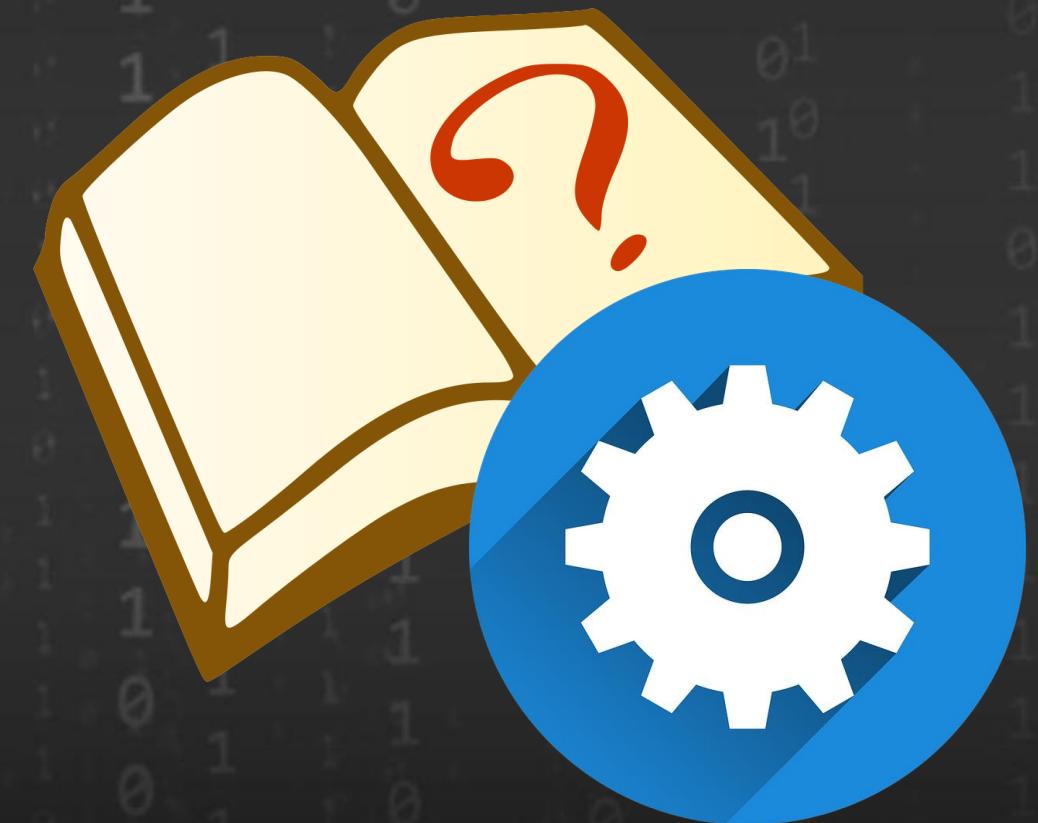
Run the application from the New Shell

```
Shell> SampleCApp  
Shell>
```

Notice that the program will immediately unload because the main function is empty

Lab 7: Adding Functionality to SampleCApp

In this lab, you'll add functionality to SampleCApp the same as in Lab 5. This lab will use EADK libraries so the coding style is similar to standard C.



Lab 7: Add the same functionally from Lab 5

SampleCApp.c and

SampleCApp.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <Library/UefiBootServicesTableLib.h>
// . .
char c;

printf("System Table: %p \n", gST) ;
puts("Press any Key and then <Enter>
      to continue : ");
c=(char)getchar();
puts ("Enter text. Include a dot ('.') in a
      sentence then <Enter> to exit:");
do {
    c=(char)getchar();
} while (c != '.');
puts ("\n");

return 0;
}
```

SampleCApp.inf

SampleCApp.inf

```
[Defines]
INF_VERSION      = 1.25
BASE_NAME        = SampleCApp
FILE_GUID        = 4ea9...
MODULE_TYPE      = UEFI_APPLICATION
VERSION_STRING   = 0.1
ENTRY_POINT      = ShellCEEntryLib

[Sources]
SampleCApp.c

[Packages]
StdLib/StdLib.dec
MdePkg/MdePkg.dec
ShellPkg/ShellPkg.dec

[LibraryClasses]
LibC
LibStdio
UefiBootServicesTableLib
```

Lab 7: Add the same functionally from Lab 5

SampleCApp.c and

SampleCApp.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <Library/UefiBootServicesTableLib.h>
// . .
char c;

printf("System Table: %p \n", gST) ;
puts("Press any Key and then <Enter>
      to continue : ");
c=(char)getchar();
puts ("Enter text. Include a dot ('.') in a
      sentence then <Enter> to exit:");
do {
    c=(char)getchar();
} while (c != '.');
puts ("\n");

return 0;
}
```

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SampleCApp.inf

SampleCApp.inf

[Defines]	
INF_VERSION	= 1.25
BASE_NAME	= SampleCApp
FILE_GUID	= 4ea9...
MODULE_TYPE	= UEFI_APPLICATION
VERSION_STRING	= 0.1
ENTRY_POINT	= ShellCEntryLib
[Sources]	
SampleCApp.c	
[Packages]	
StdLib/StdLib.dec	
MdePkg/MdePkg.dec	
ShellPkg/ShellPkg.dec	
[LibraryClasses]	
LibC	
LibStdio	
UefiBootServicesTableLib	

Lab 7: Add the same functionally from Lab 5

SampleCApp.c and

SampleCApp.inf

```

SampleCApp.c
Open ▾ + ~/src/edk2-ws/edk2-libc/AppPkg Save : - + X

#include <stdio.h>
#include <Library/UefiBootServicesTableLib.h>
// . .
char c;

printf("System Table: %p \n", gST) ;
puts("Press any Key and then <Enter>
      to continue : ");
c=(char)getchar();
puts ("Enter text. Include a dot ('.') in a
      sentence then <Enter> to exit:");
do {
    c=(char)getchar();
} while (c != '.');
puts ("\n");

return 0;
}

[3]

```

```

SampleCApp.inf
Open ▾ + ~/src/edk2-ws/edk2-libc/AppPkg Save : - + X

[Defines]
INF_VERSION      = 1.25
BASE_NAME        = SampleCApp
FILE_GUID        = 4ea9...
MODULE_TYPE      = UEFI_APPLICATION
VERSION_STRING   = 0.1
ENTRY_POINT      = ShellCEEntryLib

[Sources]
SampleCApp.c

[Packages]
StdLib/StdLib.dec
MdePkg/MdePkg.dec
ShellPkg/ShellPkg.dec

[LibraryClasses]
LibC
LibStdio
UefiBootServicesTableLib
[4]

```

Lab 7: Add the same functionally from Lab 5

SampleCApp.c and

SampleCApp.inf

```
SampleCApp.c
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <Library/UefiBootServicesTableLib.h>
// . .
char c;

printf("System Table: %p \n", gST) ;
puts("Press any Key and then <Enter>
     to continue : ");
c=(char)getchar();
puts ("Enter text. Include a dot ('.') in a
      sentence then <Enter> to exit:");
do {
    c=(char)getchar();
} while (c != '.');
puts ("\n");

return 0;
}
```

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```
SampleCApp.inf
```

```
[Defines]
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[Sources]
SampleCApp.c

[Packages]
StdLib/StdLib.dec
MdePkg/MdePkg.dec
ShellPkg/ShellPkg.dec

[LibraryClasses]
LibC
LibStdio
UefiBootServicesTableLib
```

SampleCApp.c and SampleCApp.inf

“C” file

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <Library/UefiBootServicesTable
// . . .
char c;

printf("System Table: %p \n", gST) ;
puts("Press any Key and then <Enter> to continue :");
c=(char)getchar();
puts ("Enter text. Include a dot ('.') in a
do {
    c=(char)getchar();
} while (c != '.');
puts ("\n");

return 0;
}
```

.inf file

[Defines]

```
INF_VERSION      = 1.25
BASE_NAME        = SampleCApp
FILE_GUID        = 4ea9...
MODULE_TYPE      = UEFI_APPLICATION
VERSION_STRING   = 0.1
ENTRY_POINT      = ShellCEEntryLib
```

[Sources]

```
SampleCApp.c
```

[Packages]

```
StdLib/StdLib.dec
MdePkg/MdePkg.dec
ShellPkg/ShellPkg.dec
```

[LibraryClasses]

```
LibC
LibStdio
UefiBootServicesTableLib
```

Lab 7 :Build and Test SampleCApp

Build the AppPkg

```
bash$ build -p AppPkg/AppPkg.dsc -m AppPkg/Applications/SampleCApp/SampleCApp.inf
```

Copy the built application to the run OVMF hda-contents directory

```
bash$ cp Build/AppPkg/DEBUG_GCC5/X64/SampleCApp.efi ~/run-ovmf/hda-contents
```

Test by Invoking Qemu

```
bash$ cd ~/run-ovmf  
bash$ . RunQemu.sh
```

Run the application from the New Shell

Shell> SampleCApp

Press any Key and then <Enter> to Continue :

Enter text. Include a dot ('.') in a sentence then <Enter> to exit:

This is sample text.

Shell>

SUMMARY

- ★ UEFI Application with PCDs
- ★ Simple UEFI Application
- ★ Add functionality to UEFI Application
- ★ Using EADK with UEFI Application

Questions?





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