NAME
>   biosdecode – BIOS information decoder

SYNOPSIS
>   **biosdecode** [**OPTIONS**]

DESCRIPTION
>   **biosdecode** parses the BIOS memory and prints information about all structures (or entry points) it knows
>   of. Currently known entry point types are:

- SMBIOS (System Management BIOS)
  Use **dmidecode** for a more detailed output.

- DMI (Desktop Management Interface, a legacy version of SMBIOS)
  Use **dmidecode** for a more detailed output.

- SYSID

- PNP (Plug and Play)

- ACPI (Advanced Configuration and Power Interface)

- BIOS32 (BIOS32 Service Directory)

- PIR (PCI IRQ Routing)

- 32OS (BIOS32 Extension, Compaq-specific)
  See **ownership** for a Compaq ownership tag retrieval tool.

- SNY (Sony-specific, not decoded)

- VPD (Vital Product Data, IBM-specific)
  Use **vpddecode** for a more detailed output.

- FJKEYINF (Application Panel, Fujitsu-specific)

>   **biosdecode** started its life as a part of **dmidecode** but as more entry point types were added, if was moved
>   to a different program.

OPTIONS
>   **-d**, **--dev-mem FILE**
>>   Read memory from device **FILE** (default: **/dev/mem**)
>
>   **-h**, **--help**
>>   Display usage information and exit
>
>   **-V**, **--version**
>>   Display the version and exit

FILES
>   */dev/mem*

BUGS
>   Most of the time, **biosdecode** prints too much information (you don't really care about addresses) or not
>   enough (because it doesn't follow pointers and has no lookup tables).

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SEE ALSO
>   **dmidecode**(8), **mem**(4), **ownership**(8), **vpddecode**(8)