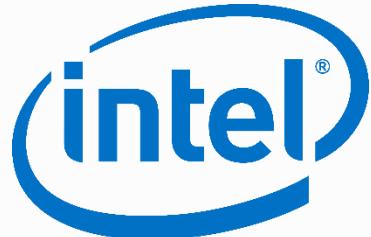


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# UEFI on Intel Open Hardware

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# Agenda



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- Gaps in UEFI Development
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# State of the Industry



- UEFI adoption is strong in traditional client & server markets
- High adoption rate for operating systems and independent hardware vendors
- However, we're not quite done yet ...

# Gaps in UEFI Development



UEFI Development Kits



Lower Cost Options



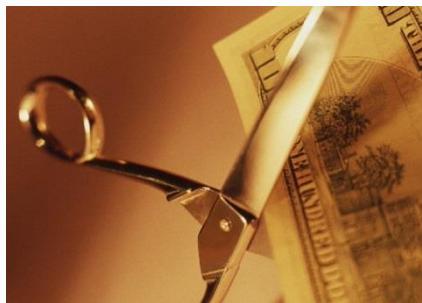
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# UEFI Development Kits



- ✓ Test on EDK II (UEFI 2.3.1+)
- ✓ Includes multiple firmware binaries (release & debug)
- ✗ Limited models
- ✗ Firmware is binary-only
- ✗ Hardware isn't “hackable”

# Lower Cost Options



- ☒ UEFI Development Kits aren't cheap and have limited form factors
  
- ☒ Hobbyist users need more control than the UEFI Development Kit offers

# Open Source



- ✓ UEFI Development Kit is based on EDK II (tianocore)
- ✗ Firmware project isn't available in open source
- ✗ Open source developers can't customize firmware (add/remove features)

# So where are gaps?



- Embedded
  - Small form factor
  - Industrial bus (CAN, I<sup>2</sup>C)
- Hobbyist
  - Lower cost x86
  - Open design (“hackable”)
- Works w/ Open Source
  - Firmware changes w/o NDA

# Open Hardware Options



- A number of “open hardware” platforms are already supported in tianocore.org
- However, UEFI isn’t the default firmware
- Intel is changing this with Minnow Board



# minnowboard.org



- Intel® Atom™ CPU
- Intel Architecture for the small and low cost embedded market
- Built for the developer and maker community
- Offers performance, flexibility and standards based interfaces





# Hardware Features



- Intel® Atom™ Processor E640 (1 GHz)
- 1 GB DDR2 RAM
- USB, PCIe, SATA & Gigabit Ethernet
- Expansion Bus: I<sup>2</sup>C, SPI, GPIO, SDIO, CAN
- Stackable & Expandable using “Lures”
  - Add-on boards for display, wireless & more
- \$199 & works “out of the box”
  - Includes power supply and OS on microSD card



# UEFI Features



- Default firmware (UEFI 2.3.1c binary)
  - Downloadable from [uefidk.com](http://uefidk.com)
  - Based on EDK II @ [tianocore.org](http://tianocore.org)
- Debugging Capabilities for Firmware
  - 4MB SPI Flash with DediProg SPI header
  - Debug output with USB-to-serial (mini USB)
  - Open hardware = open schematics



# Firmware Options



Available  
Now!



Coming  
Soon!



**Binary Images:**  
Multiple pre-built images with different payloads. Update via utility or SPI header.

**Source Code:**  
Build firmware using the Minnow Board open source project (UDK2010 or EDK II)

# Summary



- Minnow provides new options for UEFI developers
  - Embedded x86 platform
  - Low cost, easily hackable
  - Open source, open design
  - Customize UEFI firmware
  - Develop without an NDA

# Questions?



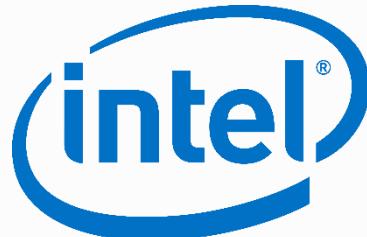
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