



Aptio - Product Overview

A complete UEFI solution ...
from concept to product

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What is Aptio?



- Aptio is AMI's EFI/UEFI product name
- Aptio is not just code ... it is a *solution*
 - Extensive source library
 - Integrates with open-source Intel EFI Development Kit (EDK)
 - Development & deployment tools
 - Support & training
 - Porting services
- A *clean* solution built on new standards
 - Not just UEFI stuck on top of legacy BIOS code

Aptio™

AMI Aptio - Brief History



- AMI first started working on EFI about eight years ago for the Intel Itanium (IA64)
- AMI has worked closely with Intel on the Framework, first full implementation for EFI, since it was introduced
- UEFI is the new industry group driving updated standards & specifications
 - AMI is a founder & member of the board of directors
- **Aptio 4.5 is AMI's latest version**
 - UEFI + Framework + AMI Experience
 - Reliability & Standards Compliance
 - Focus on the customer's firmware needs
 - Builds from experience with AMIBIOS8



AMI Aptio - Approach



- Aptio integrates UEFI & the Framework with AMI's experience in a complete product
 - Based on working experience & OEM feedback
 - Apply the "template-based porting" model from AMIBIOS8 to UEFI
 - One core for all x86/x64 market segments

AMI Aptio 4.0



- Take the best features from AMIBIOS8 ...
 - Development tools designed specifically for firmware
 - Visual eBIOS (VeB) and AMI Debug
 - Template-based porting
 - Large library of silicon support
 - Complete utility suite (flash & ROM maintenance)
 - Ability to support worldwide customers
- Combine our AMIBIOS8 experience with the standards-based approach of EFI & UEFI
- First demonstrated at WinHEC 2005
 - Used 100% non-Intel hardware to boot an EFI OS loader
 - Goal: Prove EFI & Framework standards can work for the entire PC industry

AMI Aptio 4.5 and beyond



- Combines Aptio 4.0 with Intel's open-source effort to expand EFI/UEFI adoption
- Compatible with EDK in Tianocore.org ("Foundation")
 - Compatibility with third party EFI drivers
 - The Framework EDK Foundation (PEI/DXE Core)
 - Support for EDK Library and Headers
 - Source compatible with The Framework Modules
- Compatible with modules developed for Aptio 4.0
- Source structure simplified
- Support for a wide range of silicon
 - Desktop, Server, Notebook & Embedded



Aptio Release 4.6

Available now

Aptio 4.6 Core Features



- **UEFI 2.0 compliance**
 - Native x64 build
- **UEFI x64 for Windows Server**
 - Windows Vista SP1 & the next edition of Microsoft Windows Server will include a x64 UEFI firmware loader
 - Requirements to be introduced at WinHEC 2007 (*"Hardware Support and Directions for Microsoft Windows Server"*)
- **Visual Studio 2005 Compiler Support**
 - Aptio will work with MS DDK or Visual Studio 2003/2005
 - Aptio is validated using MS DDK compiler (32-bit & 64-bit)
- **Hot Plug PCI, PCI-X & PCIe**
 - Requires OS & hardware support

Aptio 4.6 Drivers



- **Intel AMT 2.5**
 - Validated on Intel Santa Rosa CRB
- **Human Interface Infrastructure (HII) 0.92 Updates**
 - Configuration and translation info for display localization
- **Support UEFI PCI Option ROM**
 - Multi-Image PCI OpROM: Legacy, EBC, EFI IA32 & x64
 - Hardware verified at Dec. 2006 UEFI Plugfest
- **Graphics Output Protocol Support**
 - Windows Vista SP1 & Server support new UEFI Graphics Output Protocol to render glyphs for UNICODE displays
- **EFI Network Stack using legacy UNDI**

Aptio 4.6 New Features



- **SPI Flash Support**
 - Utilized on newer Intel chipsets
- **TPM 1.2 Support**
 - Based on Trusted Computing Group (TCG) specifications
- **MPS 1.4 (for legacy compatibility)**
- **ACPI Tables: SLP 2.0, SLIT & SRAT**
 - SLP 2.0 - System Locked Pre-installation for Microsoft Windows Vista OEM activation process
 - SLIT - System Locality Information Table (x64 NUMA)
 - SRAT - Static Resource Affinity Table (x64 NUMA)

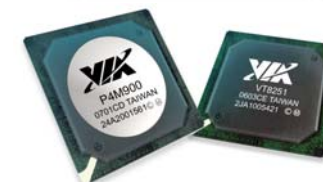
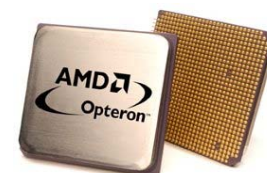
Aptio 4.6 Features: AMD



- **AMD PowerNOW! with Optimized Power Management (OPM) for notebook and server**
 - Provides enhanced power management capabilities
 - Less strain on data center cooling and power requirements
 - Provides performance-on-demand by dynamically adjusting performance based on CPU utilization
 - Optimizes Platform Power Consumption
 - Can reduce CPU power at Idle by 75%
- **AMD Cool'n'Quiet for Notebooks**
 - Lowers power consumption
 - Enables a quieter-running system while delivering performance-on-demand

AMI Aptio 4.x: Benefits

- One source base for all chipsets and CPUs
 - Working with *multiple* CPU & chipset vendors
- AMI responsible for code & quality control
- AMI creates & supports the product
- Well defined porting framework & code structure
 - Consistent file and module structure
 - Reduced number of source files & modules
 - Template-based porting
- Full suite of tools & deployment utilities
 - Development, production & end user tools
- An end-to-end solution for UEFI





Aptio 4.x: Standards Compliance

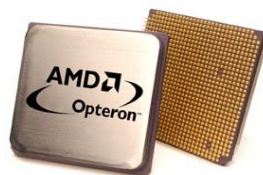
- **Compliant with EFI 1.10 & UEFI 2.0**
 - Developing for UEFI 2.1 and beyond
- **Compliant with Intel Framework specifications**
- **Source compatible with Intel modules**
 - Memory Reference Code
 - CPU & Chipset Initialization Modules
 - Leverages the open-source Intel EFI Development Kit (EDK)
 - No changes required to Aptio 4.5 Design
 - EDK2.0 can be added as an eModule
- **x64 UEFI Boot Loader support**
 - Developed in partnership with Microsoft
 - Introduced at UEFI Plugfest in 2006

Compatibility Support Module (CSM)



- The Compatibility Support Module (CSM) allows “legacy” operating systems to operate on Aptio
 - UEFI does not implement the software interfaces required by existing operating systems (INT XXh, BDA, EBDA, ...)
- AMI CSM is based on AMIBIOS8
 - Maximum compatibility with existing software
- Implemented as an eModule
 - Standalone CSM16 (16-bit binary) component
 - Module requires no porting
 - OEM binary can be included to implement unique features, such as INT 15h calls, without changing base CSM16 code
 - Enables legacy hardware in a UEFI environment
- CSM is the most tested component in the Aptio library
 - A key piece of our transition solution to UEFI

Aptio 4.x: Development Partners



- Working with major CPU & chipset vendors
 - Aptio is enabling silicon in *all* x86/x64 computing markets
- Available on Intel Customer Reference Boards (CRB)
 - Intel IPD (embedded) uses Aptio 4.5 to develop CRB firmware for new chipsets
 - Intel MPG (mobile) ships Santa Rosa Mobile CRB using firmware based on Aptio 4.5
 - Support for Intel MPG carries over into enabling future Intel IPD platforms, once chipsets move to the long-life roadmap

AMI Quality Assurance



- **Look at the product with multiple eyes**
 - AMI, silicon vendors, OEM/ODM partners
- **Full validation in AMI BIOS QA Labs**
 - USA, Taipei & India
- **Full validation in Intel MPG labs**
 - Meet the QA standards of MPG for their CRB
 - Supporting MPG in Hillsboro, Taipei & Bangalore
- **Validated by silicon partners and OEMs**
 - OEM & ODM beta partners
- **Validated on Embedded, Notebook, Desktop and Server platforms**



Migrating Customers From AMBIOS8 to Aptio

AMI solutions simplify the transition from
BIOS to UEFI

Aptio & UEFI Adoption



- **2007 is the year to consider adopting Aptio**
 - Aptio products are being shipped by Intel and a major embedded OEM
 - Major OEMs are evaluating Aptio
 - Microsoft will announce UEFI requirements for Microsoft Windows Server at WinHEC 2007
 - Contact AMI for training or porting services
- **Intel IPD will switch to UEFI in 2008**
 - Intel IPD will be porting Aptio to new CRB
 - AMIBIOS8 will be available as reference on some platforms during the transition

Our Commitment To AMIBIOS8



- **AMI understands each customer will set their own pace to switch to UEFI**
 - For the embedded market, an immediate switch may not make sense to some customers
 - Current customers need BIOS support for long-life products
- **AMIBIOS8 available for many years to come**
 - No "firm date" is set to stop supporting BIOS
 - AMI is porting new chipsets to both code bases
 - AMI engineers are cross-trained to support both Aptio & AMIBIOS8 customers
 - AMIBIOS8 will be phased out based on market demand
 - Customers choose when they want to switch to UEFI



Smooth Transition for AMIBIOS8 Customers

- When customers move from BIOS to UEFI, AMI helps make the transition easier ...
- **Visual eBIOS (VeB):** Used by AMIBIOS8 and Aptio
 - No need to learn a new porting tool
- **Compatibility Support Module (CSM)**
 - Allows UEFI firmware to boot legacy OS
 - Based on AMIBIOS8 - maximum compatibility
 - Easily removed if not required
- **Engineering Support - Same Teams**
 - Transfer years of experience in BIOS porting to UEFI designs
- **Support for a wide variety of silicon**
- **Training is available now!**



Utilities for Aptio

From development to deployment



Utility Overview

- Aptio utilities cover every aspect of the platform ... from development to deployment

Utility	Chipset Porting	R & D	OEM	Factory	System Integrator	END User
VeB	X	X	X			
AMI Debug	X	X	X			
AMI Flash Update	X	X	X	X	X	X
DMIEdit			X	X	X	X
MMTool	X	X	X		X	
ChangeLogo			X		X	X
BCP			X		X	
AMIDdiag			X	X	X	X
Rescue				X	X	X
Custom Tools				X		

Utility Overview



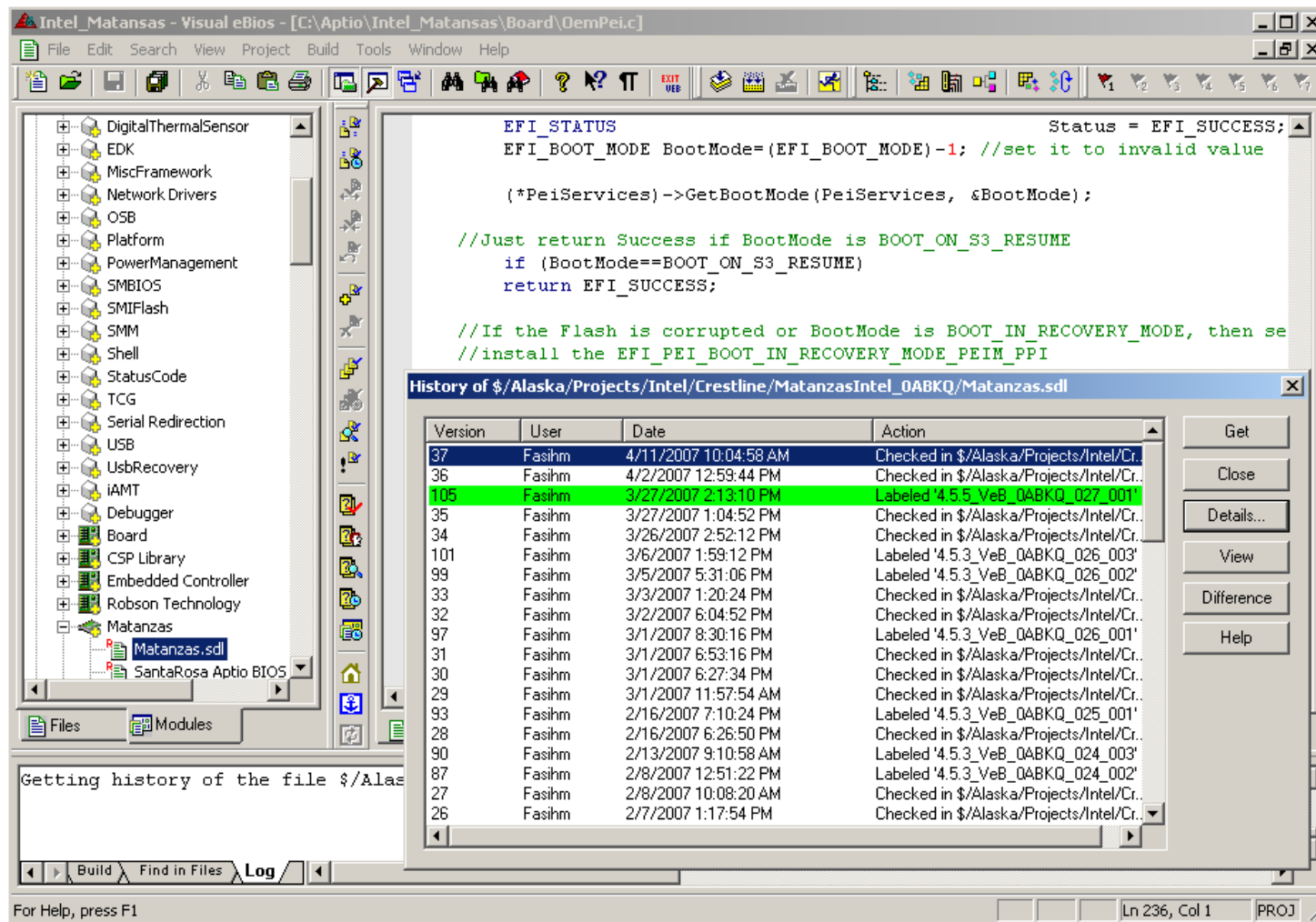
- **Visual eBIOS (VeB)**
 - Development environment for Microsoft Windows
 - Common environment between AMIBIOS8 & Aptio
 - Helps make a smooth transition from BIOS to UEFI
- **AMI Debugger**
 - Software Debugger - USB and Serial Port interfaces
- **AMI BIOS Configuration Program (AMIBCP)**
 - Customize without rebuilding the ROM image from source code
 - Setup option defaults, multi-language strings & static SMBIOS Data
- **AMIDIAG for EFI, DOS & Windows**
 - True hardware diagnostics
- **Pre-boot Applications**
 - AMI Rescue™ & AMI Rescue™ Plus
 - Launch OEM applications with AMI PBA launcher

Utility Overview



- **AFU (AMI Firmware Update)**
 - Supported in DOS, EFI, Windows, Linux and FreeBSD
 - Command line utility - x86 & x64
 - GUI available for Microsoft Windows
- **ChangeLogo**
 - OEM Logo Customization Utility
- **MMTool**
 - Manage drivers/modules contained in a firmware image
 - Add, delete, replace & extract components
 - PEIM, DXE drivers & legacy OpROM
 - Command line interface for manufacturing environments
- **DMIEDIT**
 - Modify static data associated with SMBIOS tables
 - Command line interface for manufacturing environments

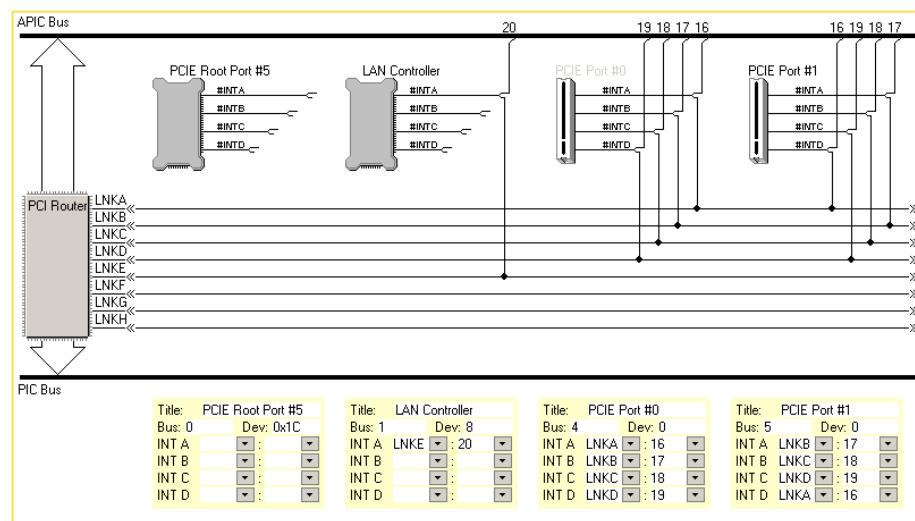
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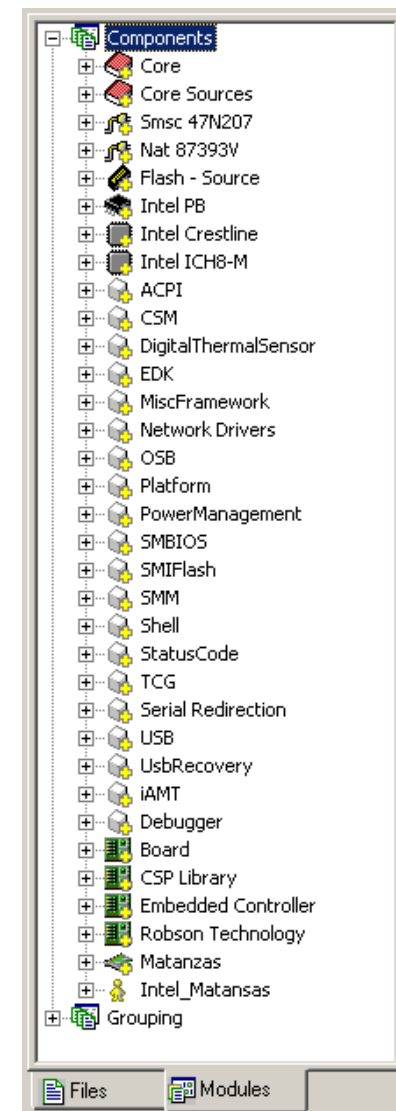
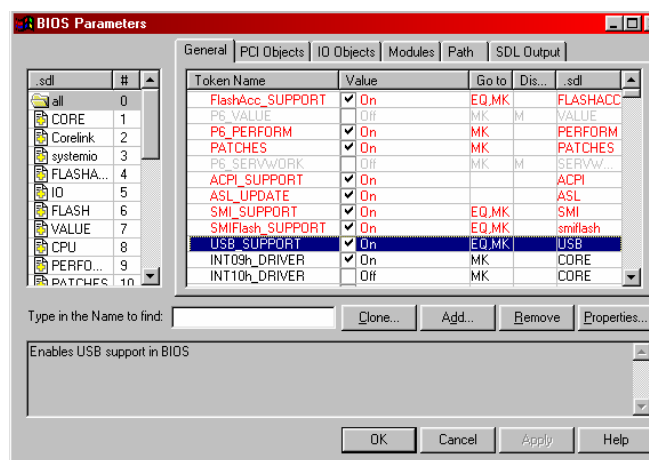
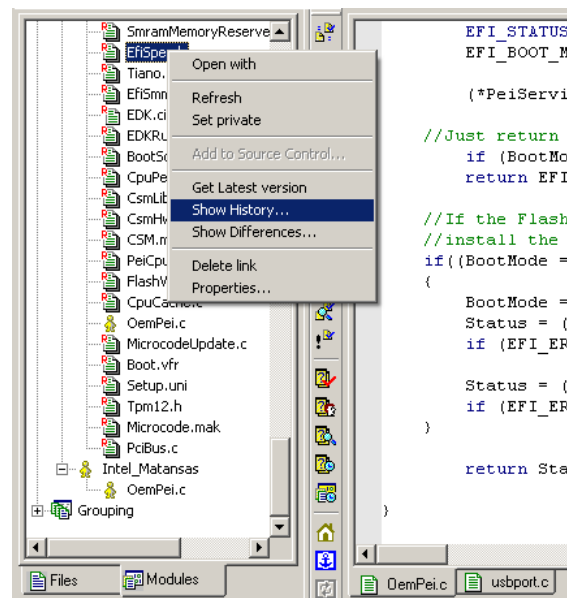
- Integrated help & documentation
- Simplified code & porting structure
- Simplifies the transition for engineers moving from an existing BIOS code structure to Aptio
- Project management & integration with multiple source control databases
 - Includes AMI RSC: 24/7 access to AMI source control databases
 - Get updates *on demand*
- PCI Wizard
 - Graphical IRQ routing tool



Major Features of VeB



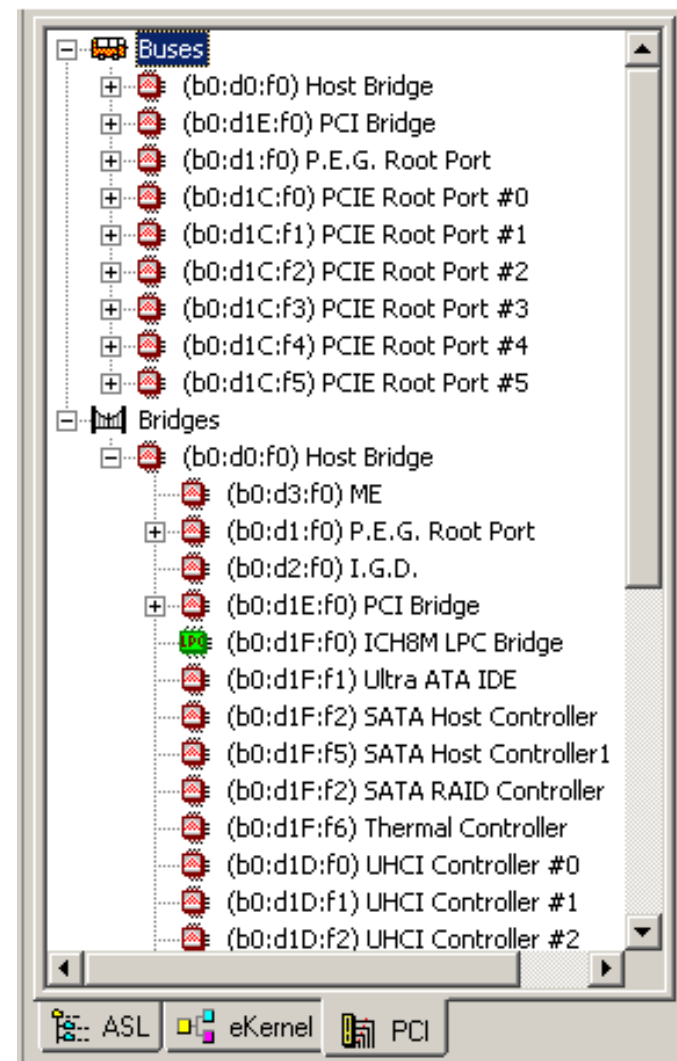
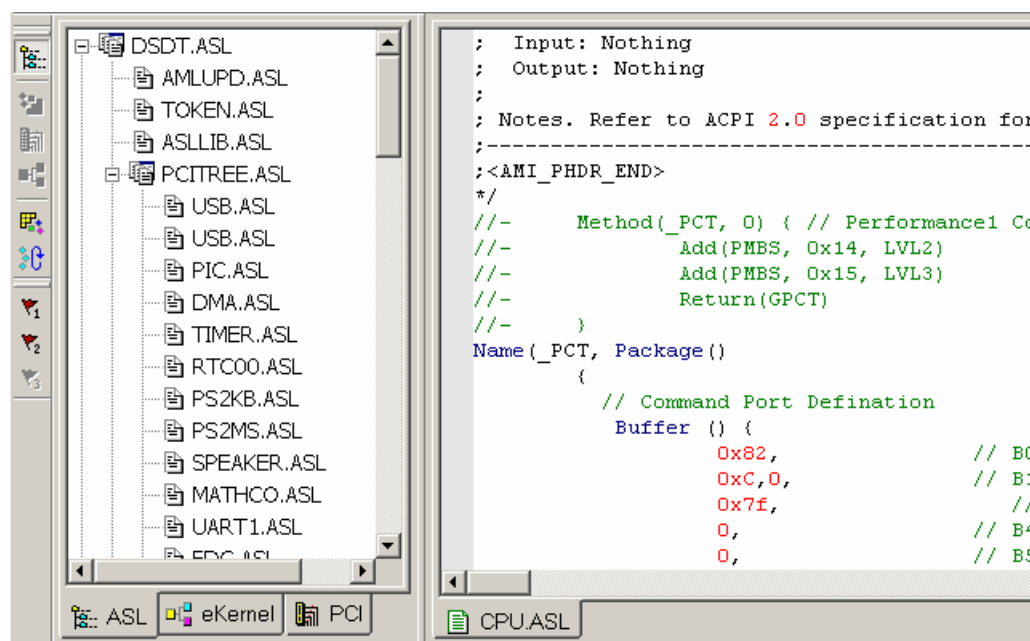
- Integrated text editor
- View project source as a collection of modules
 - Ties into VeB source control interface
- Modify project parameters using the SDL Wizard
 - All project parameters on one screen
 - View all parameters, or sort by eModule



Major Features of VeB



- VeB Tools Panel
 - ACPI Object Viewer
 - PCI Bus Hierarchy
 - Represents SDL IRQ routing data in another format



AMI Debug for EFI



- Connects debug target to host application in Microsoft Windows
 - Supports RS-232 & USB 2.0
 - Works in DXE, PEI & EFI Shell
 - Symbolic source-level debugging
 - View & edit memory/PCI/IO
 - Add breakpoints
 - Redirect console
 - Redirect debug messages
 - Remove when not required
- Does not rely on ICE/ITP or JTAG
 - Lower cost to deploy
 - Use with production hardware
- Use with any processor or chipset

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EFI Console - HyperTerminal
File Edit View Call Transfer Help

Loading: [Internal EFI Shell] ...

EFI Shell version 1.10 [8192.11]
Device map
Shell>

EFI Debug Output - HyperTerminal
File Edit View Call Transfer Help

000
LdImage: C:\AWORK\DEMO2\temp\VgaClass.pdb(4686788)
Notice:C:\AWORK\DEMO2\temp\AcpiPlatform.efi(4686308)
466d000
LdImage: C:\AWORK\DEMO2\temp\AcpiPlatform.pdb(4686308)
Notice:C:\AWORK\DEMO2\temp\ConPlatform.efi(4666708)
656000
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Notice:c:\build\efi\bin\AMIGUI.efi(4659b88) code module
LdImage: c:\build\efi\bin\AMIGUI.pdb(4659b88) at 4659b88
Notice:C:\AWORK\DEMO2\temp\AmiHp.efi(4659588) code module
  
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WinDbg: x86_64 (AMD64)
File Edit View Debug Window Help

Command Window
c:\865latest20030904\core\dx\image\image.c

**
HandleDatabaseKey = CoreGetHandleDatabaseKey();
LastImage = mCurrentImage;
mCurrentImage = Image;
Image->Tpl = gEfiCurrentTpl;

// Set long jump for Exit() support
Image->JumpContext = CoreAllocateBootServicesPool (gEfiPeiTransferControl->JumpContext);
if (Image->JumpContext == NULL) {
    PERF_END (ImageHandle, START_IMAGE_TOK, NULL, 0);
    return EFI_OUT_OF_RESOURCES;
}

Status = gEfiPeiTransferControl->SetJump (gEfiPeiTransferControl, Image->JumpContext);
if (Status == EFI_SUCCESS) {

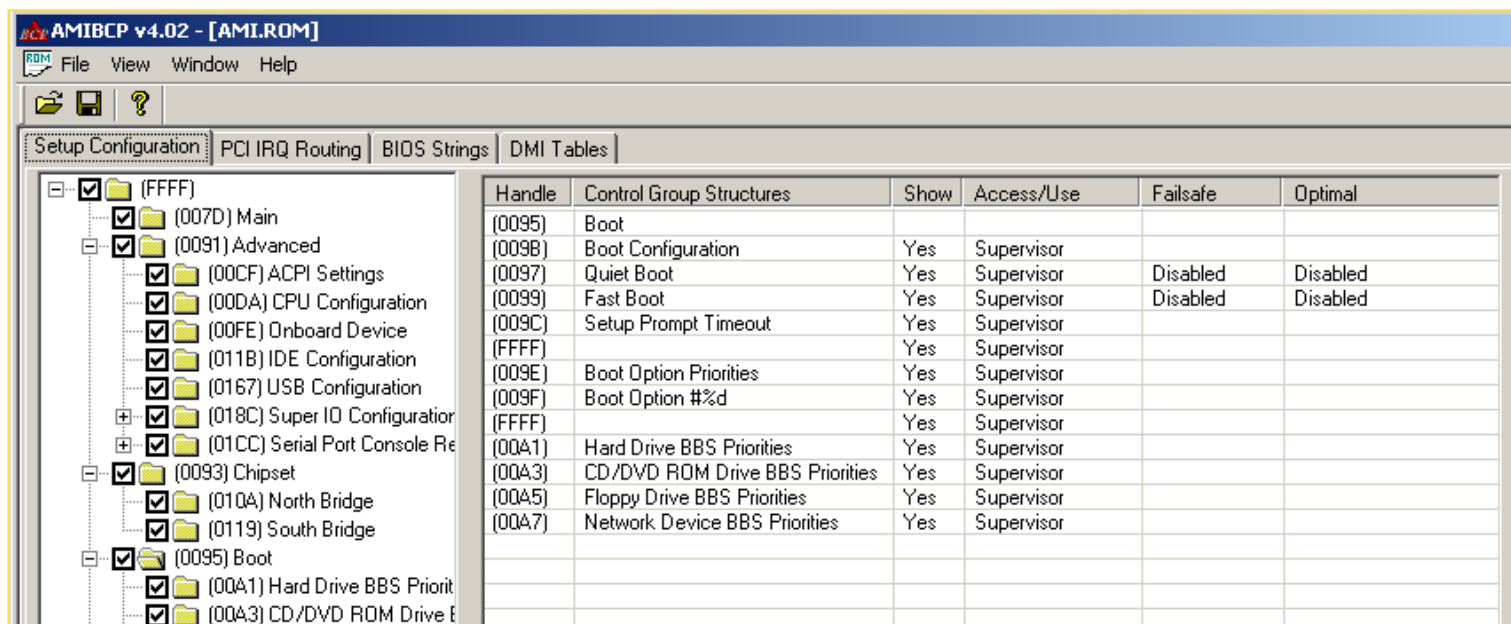
    // Call the image's entry point
    Image->Started = TRUE;
    Image->Status = Image->EntryPoint (ImageHandle, Image->Info.SystemTable);

    // If the image returns, exit it through Exit()
    CoreExit (ImageHandle, Image->Status, 0, NULL);
}
  
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Utilities for ROM

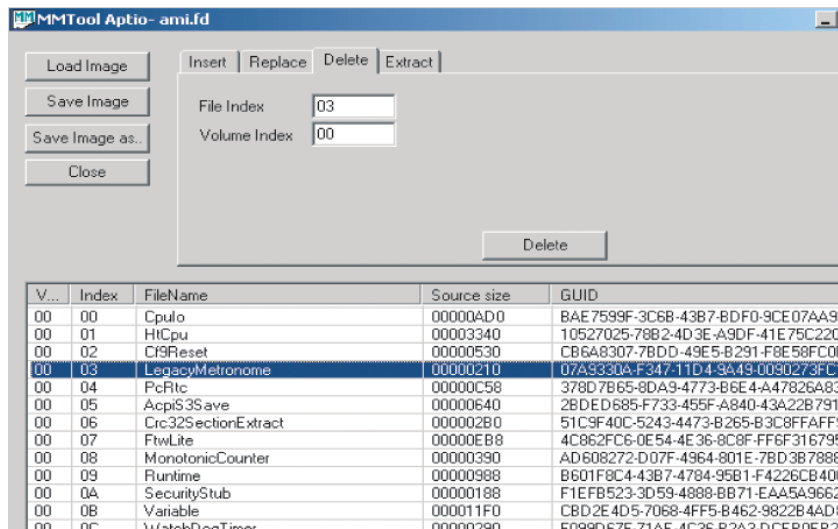
Modification: AMIBCP



- AMIBCP - Modify ROM files *without* source
 - Change setup option default values
 - Change Unicode strings in setup & sign-on messages
 - Edit static SMBIOS data



ROM Modification: MMTool & ChangeLogo

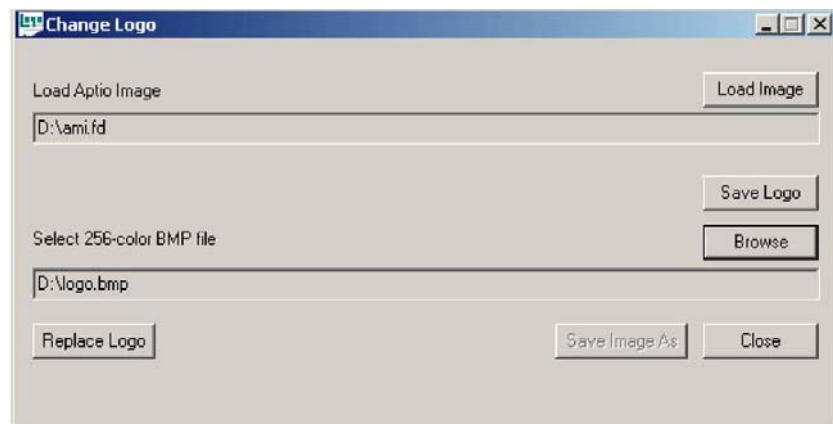


• MMTool

- Add/remove/replace DXE drivers and legacy OpROM
- Quickly upgrade components
- Use in GUI or command line mode

• ChangeLogo

- Change OEM "splash" logos without source code





Manufacturing Line: MMTool & DMIEdit

- **MMTool**
 - Run in command-line mode to add/remove/replace drivers & Option ROMs prior to flashing the ROM
- **DMIEdit**
 - Modify platform-specific SMBIOS data
 - UUID
 - Serial Numbers
 - Asset Tags
 - OEM Strings
 - Script-driven utility
 - Runs in DOS, Windows & EFI Shell



Pre-Boot Applications (PBA)

- Provides an environment for running applications in pre-boot
 - Complements AMI's firmware offering
 - Launch from ROM or hidden disk partition
- **Add value with AMI recovery tools**
 - AMI Rescue™ (Disk Image Recovery)
 - AMI Rescue™ Plus (File-based Recovery)
- **Integrate OEM or third-party apps**
 - Applications seamlessly integrate with the Pre-Boot Menu (PBM) Application

AMI Aptio in Review



- **AMI provides proven industry experience**
 - AMIBIOS experience dates back to 1985
 - AMI has worked with EFI prior to the first specification
 - Broad experience with many computer products
 - Founding member of UEFI, still on the board of directors
- **Ready to support UEFI today with AMI Aptio**
 - Reference partners with Intel MPG & IPD
 - Supported on Intel & non-Intel silicon
- **Superior customer support and support tools**
 - RSC database access for source customers
 - Direct engineer-to-engineer support
- **Flexible development and licensing options**