



UEFI/EDK2 for RDK on Hikey

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Agenda

- UEFI Bootloader For RDK
- Secure Boot Loader
- Development of RDK Boot Loader



UEFI Bootloader For RDK

- Standardization of the RDK set-top box firmware boot process
 - Increase industry awareness of UEFI/EDK2 solutions for set-top boot implementation
- Need secure boot with hardware root of trust with secure keys
- Implement RDK Bootloader and Disaster Recovery Image (DRI) requirements (use cases) using well defined standard.



UEFI/EDK2 Dev Environment

- QEMU

<https://wiki.linaro.org/LEG/UEFIforQEMU>

- HiKey

<https://github.com/96boards/documentation/wiki/HiKeyUEFI>



Secure Boot Loader

- Helps Prevents malicious code before OS Loads
- Validates UEFI applications (boot loaders and drivers) using AuthentiCode signatures embedded in these applications
- Trusted X.509 root certificates are stored in UEFI variables
- Enable / Disable Secure Boot

Secure Boot Keys:

- Platform Key (PK) - Trust relationship between platform owner & firmware
- Key Exchange Key (KEK) - Trust relationship between OS & firmware
- Signing database (DB) - whitelist authorised certificates



Secure Boot Loader

Basic steps for Implementing Secure Boot:

- Set platform key(PK) using `setVariable()` API
- Validated the System boot mode using Setup Mode
- Add KEK and DB Keys using `setVariable()` for validating Signed Images.



RDK Boot Loader

- Create new module (.inf) for RDK Boot Loader in EDK2 code
- Use EFI Runtime service Set/Get Variable() for setting/getting other Module EFI variable.

Secure Boot enable programmatically:

- Set `EFI_CUSTOM_MODE_NAME` to `CUSTOM_SECURE_BOOT_MODE`
- Use `EFI_SIMPLE_FILE_SYSTEM_PROTOCOL` for opening PK key and get File handle.
- Populate `EFI_SIGNATURE_LIST` data for PK key by reading File content



RDK Boot Loader

- Set PK_KEY with populated EFI_SIGNATURE_LIST data (PK cert).
- Attributes for setting Keys = EFI_VARIABLE_NON_VOLATILE |
EFI_VARIABLE_TIME_BASED_AUTHENTICATED_WRITE_ACCESS |
EFI_VARIABLE_BOOTSERVICE_ACCESS
- Same procedure for KEK and DB cert registration.



RDK Boot Loader

RDK kernel boot:

- Use "Loaded Image protocol" for loading kernel to physical memory
- Load options for kernel arguments
 - `char load[] = "initrd=/initramfs";`
 - `CHAR16 LoadOption[30];`
 - `UnicodeSPrintAsciiFormat(LoadOption, sizeof(LoadOption), load);`
 - `ImageInfo->LoadOptions = LoadOption;`
- Linux kernel (≥ 4.5) treated as UEFI Application and can be launched using Start Image.



Signing Images

create key pair

- `openssl req -new -x509 -newkey rsa:2048 -subj "/CN=my PK /" -keyout PK.key -out PK.crt -days 3650 -nodes -sha256`
- **`sbsign --key DB.key --cert DB.crt --output Image-Signed Image`**
- **`sbsign --key DB.key --cert DB.crt --output RDKImageLoader-signed.efi RDKImageLoader.efi`**



Work in progress

- Signing monolithic Image of Kernel and Rootfs and validating Through UEFI bootloader
- DRI (disaster recovery Image) implementation using UEFI.





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