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XBMC Media Center with Jetway JNC98-525 and Atirc IR-receiver

I want to describe how I put together my home media PC. I will describe the software configuration in connection with the IR-receiver.

As software basis I've used XBMC. For remote control I've chosen the IR-recieve from atric. As hardware base I selected an board build by jetway (JNC98-525). It has HDMI and an NVIDIA ION2 Chipset.

Hardware and Software in detail

Hardware

Board

I bought this Board: NC98-510-LF

For the IR-Receiver we need a serial port on the board. This one has an serial port typ-9 (later this will be important).

CPU	Atom D525 1.80GHz	
RAM	2x DDR2 up to 4GB	
Video	NVIDIA ION2 GPU	
Video Ports HDMI, VGA, DVI		
Serial	1 * COM header internal	

IR-Receiver

The IR-receiver Rev. 5 by the german manufacturer Atric.

This IR-receiver is available for various types of serial ports. You have to know which type your is. You have to buy 10 1-pin cables (reason later described according to problems with the IR-receiver).

IR-Control

I bought One-All-URC-7960 here

Software

XBMC with minimal Ubuntu. Installed from live System on an CF-Card.

Download: here

Install standard Hardware and XBMC

This shouldn't be a problem

But some annotation:

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- My Monitor seems to hate mono mp3 so I convert these. Otherwise XBMC say that the audio device doesn't work.
 - Create ".asoundrc" in your home this should fix the problem if you had it.

.asoundrc

```
pcm.dmixer {
type dmix
   ipc_key 1024
   ipc_key_add_uid false
   ipc_perm 0660
   slave {
      pcm "hw:1,3"
      rate 48000
      channels 2
      period_time 0
      period size 1024
      buffer time 0
      buffer size 4096
pcm.!default {
   type plug
   slave.pcm "dmixer"
```

- The best to use HDMI audio output for me was to set:
 - Standard audio output to → standard
 - \circ Digital output for pass-through \rightarrow HDA NVidia hdmi

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• Now I doen't get sound via HDMI. One friend find the solution.

/etc/asound.conf

```
pcm.!default {
type hw
card 1
device 3
}
```

.asoundrc

```
pcm.!default {
     type plug
     slave {
        pcm "hw:1,3"
     }
}
```

• Sound Settings in xbmc seems to be irrelevant.

Installation of the IR-receiver

Atric provide a very comprehensive manual (German/English) This Informations should help to connect the IR-Receiver to your board.

I have hit a board which make trouble. Power for the IR-board and train the power-on-signal was no problem (described in the manual).

But after I installed the IR-Receiver as described the media PC wasn't able to boot. Both LEDs turned on but nothing happen. This only when serial connected.

After some testing an some help from a colleague who has more experience with serial ports as I have we find the problem. responsible for the trouble was the first pin. This pin (DCD) is responsible for (Data) Carrier Detect (Wikipedia) and normally not essential for serial communication.

You can use the one-pin-cables which you can bought at the website of the IR-receiver. So the DCD-pin can be disconnected.

The IR-receiver will use this pin for transport the IR-signal. You have to change this by put the jumper to DSR as transport pin (lirc can be configured to use DSR pin to receive IR-signal).

Pin assignment

- The Pin assignment can be found in the manual of the IR-receiver and you mainboard (here).
- In the manual of the IR-receiver on page 13 and 15 you can find the pin assignment of the serial connector.
- In the manual of my mainboard the pin assignment of the serial port is located on page 15.



Pleas be careful the order of counting the pins is different !!!! Wrong connected pins can be destructive !!!! I don't take responsibility if you damage



your Board! Please first read the manual's

I connect:

IR-Board	Mainboard (counting type of Jetway)
Pin 1	not connected
Pin 2	Pin 2
Pin 5	Pin 5
Pin 6	Pin 6
Pin 7	Pin 7
Pin 9	Pin 9





Configuration of the IR-receiver

Get signals (Xubuntu xbmc11):

Lirc is installed when you use the live installation of XBMC. Now I had to configure it but the kernel-module used by lirc expect the IR-signal on the DCD-pin which was disconnected. So I had to change this. After some reaearch I find a solution. Inside the c-code of the kernel-module there is the data-pin set to DSR when a special hardware model is selected. You can give the type to modprobe when you load the module.

Previously you have to free the serial port.

Now test:

/etc/init.d/lirc stop
modprobe -r lirc_mceusb
setserial /dev/ttyS0 uart none
modprobe -v lirc_serial type=1
mode2 -d /dev/lirc1

Signals of your IR-Control should be appear as codes.

Configure lirc to load the right module

In /etc/lirc/hardware.conf you can configure which modules should be loaded when lircd starts here my version

/etc/lirc/hardware.conf

```
# /etc/lirc/hardware.conf
#Chosen Remote Control
REMOTE="Atric rev.5 IR Receiver"
REMOTE MODULES="lirc serial"
REMOTE DRIVER=""
REMOTE DEVICE="/dev/lirc1"
REMOTE_LIRCD_CONF="urc/urc-7960.conf"
REMOTE LIRCD ARGS=""
Chosen IR Transmitter
TRANSMITTER="None"
TRANSMITTER MODULES=""
TRANSMITTER DRIVER=""
TRANSMITTER DEVICE=""
TRANSMITTER LIRCD CONF=""
TRANSMITTER LIRCD ARGS=""
#Enable lircd
START LIRCD="true"
#Don't start lircmd even if there seems to be a good config file
#START LIRCMD="false"
#Try to load appropriate kernel modules
LOAD MODULES="true"
# Default configuration files for your hardware if any
LIRCMD CONF=""
#Forcing noninteractive reconfiguration
#If lirc is to be reconfigured by an external application
#that doesn't have a debconf frontend available, the noninteractive
#frontend can be invoked and set to parse REMOTE and TRANSMITTER
#It will then populate all other variables without any user input
#If you would like to configure lirc via standard methods, be sure
#to leave this set to "false"
FORCE NONINTERACTIVE RECONFIGURATION="false"
START LIRCMD=""
REMOTE SOCKET=""
TRANSMITTER SOCKET=""
```

Create /etc/modprobe.d/lirc.conf with the following content

lirc.conf

```
install lirc_serial /bin/setserial /dev/ttyS0 uart none; /sbin/modprobe
--ignore-install lirc_serial type=1
```

Reboot, and if I doesn't forget to mention anything it should work and the right modules should be loaded. Repeat the test with "mode2".

Now lirc had to learn to interpret the signals of your ir-control The tool irrecord will help you. You only have to read and do what the program say. Or, if you had the same ir-control, you could use my config if you want.

```
/etc/init.d/lirc stop
irrecord --device=/dev/lirc0 urc-7960
```

After that you have a config file. Thats my (orginal by M. Hippert → used as template):

urc-7960.conf

```
# Please make this file available to others
# by sending it to <lirc@bartelmus.de>
# this config file was automatically generated
# using lirc-0.8.6(default) on Sun Feb 13 11:48:28 2011
# contributed by AN orginal by M. Hippert
http://forum.team-mediaportal.com/fernbedienung-tastatur-ir-465/configf
iles-fuer-girder-lirc-mit-oneforall-urc-7960-a-85801/
# Lirc Receiver: Atric
# model no. of remote control: ONE for ALL URC 7960 SmartControl
# devices being controlled by this remote: Code for stb: Technisat:
1195
# press and hold the magic-Key for 3 sec -> blue ring will light up 2x
# select "stb"
# enter code "1195" -> blue ring will light up 2x
# The keys PREVIEW, NEXT and "pop up X" failed
# The keys with same code
# Red & Rewind; Green & Stop; Yellow & Pause & Play; Blue & FastForward
& 16:9; -/-- & list; back & Key-between-ChannelUp-and-ChannelDown
# Chance Code this keys:
# * Press and hold the magic key for 3 sec. --> The Blue ring will
```

```
light up 2x
# * Press 9 9 4. --> The Blue ring will light up 2x
* * Press and release the magic key.
# * Enter the 5-digit magic-code
# * dann die zu lernende Taste drücken
 * Repeat all for the next key
#
#
#
  *** Magic-Code ***
  Die Tasten richtig fest druecken, ansonsten kann es vorkommen, dass
  nicht angelernt werden obwohl der blaue Ring als Quittung blinkt
#
#
  Next
              00240
# Preview
              00627
# pop up X 00723
# Rewind 00560
# Stop
            00243
# Pause 00720
# Play
              00339
# FastForward
                00563
# 16:9
              00274
# list
              00264
  back & Key-between-ChannelUp-and-ChannelDown -----> not changed
#
# brand:
                               urc-7960
# model no. of remote control:
# devices being controlled by this remote:
begin remote
  name
       MyRemote
  bits
                 13
  flags RC5 CONST_LENGTH
                 30
  eps
  aeps
                100
  one
                927
                      838
                927
  zero
                      838
  plead
                934
               113492
  gap
  toggle bit mask 0x800
      begin codes
          BTN BACK
                                   0x1232
          KEY_ST0P
                                   0x1236
          KEY NEXT
                                   0x122E
          KEY REWIND
                                   0x122C
          KEY PLAY
                                   0x1235
          KEY FASTFORWARD
                                   0x1234
```

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KEY_LIST	0×022F	
KEY_PAUSE	0x1229	
KEY_RECORD	0x1237	
KEY_V0LUMEUP	0x1210	
KEY_VOLUMEDOWN	0x1211	
KEY_MUTE	0x120D	
KEY_CHANNELUP	0x1220	
KEY_CHANNELDOWN	0x1221	
KEY_BACK	0x1222	
KEY_0K	0x0217	
BTN_RIGHT	0x0216	
KEY_UP	0×0210	
KEY_DOWN	0x0211	
BTN_LEFT	0x0215	
KEY_YELLOW	0x022D	
KEY_RED	0x022B	
KEY_GREEN	0x022C	
KEY_BLUE	0x022E	
KEY_INFO	0x020F	
KEY_MENU	0x0212	
KEY_TV2	0x122F	
BTN_1	0x1201	
BTN_2	0x1202	
BTN_3	0x1203	
BTN_4	0x1204	
BTN_5	0x1205	
BTN_6	0x1206	
BTN_7	0x1207	
BTN_8	0x1208	
BTN_9	0x1209	
BTN_0	0×1200	
end codes		
d remote		
	KEY_PAUSE KEY_RECORD KEY_VOLUMEUP KEY_VOLUMEDOWN KEY_MUTE KEY_CHANNELUP KEY_CHANNELDOWN KEY_BACK KEY_OK BTN_RIGHT KEY_UP KEY_DOWN BTN_LEFT KEY_YELLOW KEY_RED KEY_GREEN KEY_BLUE KEY_INFO KEY_MENU KEY_TV2 BTN_1 BTN_2 BTN_1 BTN_2 BTN_3 BTN_4 BTN_5 BTN_6 BTN_7 BTN_8 BTN_7 BTN_8 BTN_9 BTN_0 end codes	KEY_PAUSE 0x1229 KEY_RECORD 0x1237 KEY_VOLUMEUP 0x1210 KEY_VOLUMEDOWN 0x1211 KEY_MUTE 0x1220 KEY_CHANNELUP 0x1220 KEY_CHANNELDOWN 0x1221 KEY_BACK 0x1222 KEY_BACK 0x0217 BTN_RIGHT 0x0216 KEY_UP 0x0210 KEY_UP 0x0211 BTN_LEFT 0x0215 KEY_YELLOW 0x022D KEY_RED 0x022B KEY_GREEN 0x022C KEY_BLUE 0x022E KEY_INFO 0x020F KEY_MENU 0x0212 KEY_TV2 0x122F BTN_1 0x1201 BTN_2 0x1202 BTN_3 0x1203 BTN_4 0x1204 BTN_5 0x1205 BTN_6 0x1206 BTN_7 0x1207 BTN_8 0x1208 BTN_9 0x1209 BTN_0 0x1209 BTN_0 0x1200 end

After including this into the /etc/lirc/lircd.conf and starting lirc you sould see the translated commands with irw

/etc/lirc/lircd.conf

```
##urc-7960
include "/etc/lirc/urc-7960.conf"
```

```
/etc/init.d/lirc start
```

irw

Configuring XBMC

Create an "Lircmap.xml" in your xbmc-data home.

```
touch ~/.xbmc/userdata/Lircmap.xml
```

The Documentation can be found here. After reboot XBMC should use the new file.

Here is my:

Lircmap.xml

```
clircmap>
    <remote device="urc-7960">
        <start>KEY SCREEN</start>
        <skipminus>KEY BACK</skipminus>
        <stop>KEY STOP</stop>
        <skipplus>KEY NEXT</skipplus>
        <reverse>KEY REWIND</reverse>
        <play>KEY PLAY</play>
        <forward>KEY FASTFORWARD</forward>
        <start>KEY LIST</start>
        <pause>KEY_PAUSE
        <record>KEY RECORD</record>
        <volumeplus>KEY VOLUMEUP</volumeplus>
        <mute>KEY MUTE</mute>
        <volumeminus>KEY VOLUMEDOWN</volumeminus>
        <left>BTN LEFT</left>
        <right>BTN_RIGHT</right>
        <up>KEY UP</up>
        <down>KEY DOWN</down>
        <select>KEY OK</select>
        <pageplus>KEY_CHANNELUP</pageplus>
        <back>BTN BACK</back>
        <pageminus>KEY_CHANNELDOWN</pageminus>
        <red>KEY RED</red> <!-- HOME -->
        <myvideo>KEY GREEN</myvideo>
        <mymusic>KEY YELLOW</mymusic>
        <mypictures>KEY_BLUE</mypictures>
        <info>KEY INFO</info>
        <title>KEY MENU</title> <!-- CONTEX MENU -->
        <display>KEY TV2</display> <!-- FULL SCREEN -->
        <mytv>KEY MODE</mytv>
        <menu>KEY ESC</menu>
        <back>BTN BACK</back>
        <one>KEY 1</one>
        <two>KEY 2</two>
        <three>KEY3</three>
        <four>KEY 4</four>
        <five>KEY 5</five>
```

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```
<six>KEY_6</six>
<seven>KEY_7</seven>
<eight>KEY_8</eight>
<nine>KEY_9</nine>
<power>BTN_EXTRA</power>
<zero>KEY_0</zero>
</remote>
```

Perhaps you have to adapt the keymap for remote so that it fit to you wishes. The original is located in "/usr/share/xbmc/system/keymaps/". You can copy it to ~/.xbmc/userdata/keymaps/ and edit it.

Have fun with the new remote-control.

Links

- http://wiki.xbmc.org/index.php?title=Keymap.xml
- http://xbmc.org/
- http://www.atric.de/IR-Einschalter/inc/mainboard_db.php

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