INTRODUCTION---rtpDir/rtpDir_tm: A dstar-IRLP-Echolink-asterisk bridge application.

rtpDir/rtpDir tm bridge, is a VoIP software that can run on any station, repeater or link. It is mostly used for the Amateur radio service, but a user can also use it to create a private VoIP net. The current version 1.60 also runs as a BRIDGE conference server with a graphical interface(rtpDir) or without graphical interface(rtpDir tm). rtpDir works on Linux(no emulation) and Windows and has the same screen interface on both platforms. rtpDir_tm works on Linux systems that have no desktop(X11,KDE,GNOME) installed and it is useful for Linux users that do not need or want to install a GUI on top of their Linux box. This software is provided 'as-is', without any express or implied warranty. In no event will the authors be held liable for any damages arising from the use of this software. This software is provided as-is and the authors are not responsible for any anything.

Configuration choices

rtpDir (or rtpDir_tm) runs as:

--- dstar + Echolink + IRLP reflector + asterisk
Multiple connections are allowed.
No need to install any IRLP software.
No need to install any echolink software.
No need to install any dstar software,

except dextra client Install asterisk on your system(Linux only) or have a remote asterisk node connect to your station. --- dstar + Echolink + IRLP stnXXXX node + asterisk Do not allow more than one connection if an IRLP node is connected to your station. If you enable the IRLP part, you need the IRLP node software. No need to install any echolink software. No need to install any dstar software, except dextra client Install asterisk on your system(Linux only) or have a remote asterisk node connect to your station. In either of the above two configuration options, you can enable or disable a specific part(IRLP, dstar, echolink, asterisk) It supports all the IRLP codecs: ADPCM, u-Law, GSM. rtpDir or rtpDir tm as an IRLP expXXXX reflector: Send an e-mail to experimental@irlp.net and ask for an IRLP expXXXX number to be assigned to you. The IRLP network will assign expXXXX to your IRLP reflector. rtpDir_tm as an IRLP refXXXX reflector. These are the old IRLP refXXXX reflectors. These old IRLP refXXXX reflector numbers are not given out any more. If you were lucky and you already had a refXXXX number assigned to you, or you are already running an IRLP refXXXX, then rtpDir_tm can run that too. It supports all Echolink modes: repeater, link, PC user, conference. It supports IRLP links, repeaters. It supports asterisk connections thru the use of the

chan rtpdir.c channel driver.

It supports dstar connections thru the use of the dextra_client package.

For hams that use asterisk only, the asterisk channel driver chan_dstar.c for dstar connections is used.

Finally you may set up rtpDir(or rtpDir_tm) to bridge dstar, IRLP, Echolink, asterisk.

You may use rtpDir or rtpDir_tm or dstar_hot_point with dextra_client to connect to dstar/dextra_srv nodes or dstar XRF reflectors.

WARNING:Starting with release v1.21:

For an IRLP node running the old text mode $\ensuremath{\mathsf{EchoIRLP}}$ which is

IRLP + tbd + EchoIRLP scripts, you will

have to remove tbd.

The steps to do that,

in the Files section, in the file remove_tbd.txt

When you finish doing that, then follow the steps under the section

"Additional steps if you plan to run rtpDir/ rtpDir_tm in Echolink + IRLP mode",

listed below in this document.

The reason behind the discontinued support for tbd is

because our group has no control of the changes in that software and we can not guarantee any more

that it will work with future versions of the rtpDir bridge

as the design approach of rtpDir/rtpDir_tm is very different from tbd.

WARNING: Automatic/nightly updates with yum

strongly suggested

that you disable the automatic/nightly updates with yum or yum-updatesd or at any

time during the day. The reason is that the automatic software updates may render your Linux system unuseable or in the worst case scenario un-bootable.

So, disable all the automatic software updates that yum or yum-updatesd

is doing overnight by disabling the updates.

Note: You may have yum or yum-updatesd or both on a Linux system running in the background).

service yum stop chkconfig yum off

service yum-updatesd stop
chkconfig yum-updatesd off

Then only after you install your software like IRLP, rtpDir, ...

add the following line to /etc/yum.conf at the end of the file:

exclude=kernel*

This says, that just in case you are trying to download something manually

(or due to nightly updates because of yum or yumupdatesd running in the background)

you will not let that change your Linux kernel.

It is very important that you do that, especially if you intend to run

Asterisk or IRLP on that Linux box.

You can always install or update software on your Linux box by

executing the yum command manually like this:

yum install someNEWsoftwareHERE

CONFERENCE CALLSIGNS

_____ To request a new CONFERENCE callsign, example: *MYCONF*, enter your new CONFERENCE callsign, example *MYCONF* as the call in the 5198.conf configuration file or 5198 tm.conf The configuration file for rtpDir is 5198.conf, the configuration file for rtpDir tm is 5198 tm.conf Example: If you want to create a new CONFERENCE callsign, example: *MYCONF* set this: call=*MYCONF* Then start rtpDir(or rtpDir_tm) bridge. At this point, rtpDir/rtpDir tm bridge will go into a loop and you will have to verify/validate the new CONFERENCE callsign at http://www.echolink.org/ validation/ Check to see if a "firewall" issue is preventing the rtpDir/rtpDir tm bridge from contacting the Echolink servers. Also, be sure you are NOT using an EchoLink Proxy to connect; You cannot register a new callsign through a Proxy connection. After validation has been completed, stop and restart the rtpDir/rtpDir_tm bridge. You can not run both, rtpDir and rtpDir_tm unless you change ports in the config file, since rtpDir and rtpDir_tm do mostly the same thing

and open/bind the same ports.

Credits:

Thanks to VA3TO for supplying us with the specs to the

VA3TO link interface. It is the interface that we recommend, it has a DTMF decoder on-board, timeouts, access to COS and works in "ASCII" or "SOUND" mode, although other link interfaces will also work.

A few notes about IRLP crosslinking:

Starting with release v1.56, the configuration variable accessIRLP dictates

whether you are allowed to do crosslinking between IRLP nodes and non-IRLP nodes.

It also dictates wether you are running rtpDir in "IRLP stnXXXX node" or "IRLP reflector mode".

When accessIRLP=yes

Outbound calls to IRLP nodes are allowed. You are running in IRLP stnXXXX node mode. Crosslinking is NOT allowed between IRLP and non-IRLP nodes.(dstar, echolink, asterisk). If an IRLP node is connected to your station, do not allow other stations to come in. If there is no IRLP node connected to your station, then you are free to have multiple stations connected to your station. So, to bring in an IRLP node, disconnect all stations first, disable the non-IRLP part with the dtmfDisable command, enable the IRLP part with dtmfIRLPon and then connect to an IRLP node. The system will be busy and no Echolink, Asterisk, dstar node will come in except an IRLP node. To bring in Echolink, Asterisk, dstar nodes,

disconnect all stations first, enable the non-IRLP part with dtmfEnable command, then disable the IRLP part with dtmfIRLPoff command and then connect to non-IRLP nodes.

When accessIRLP=no

Outbound calls to IRLP nodes are NOT allowed. You are running in IRLP reflector mode. Crosslinking is allowed between all VoIP networks. (IRLP, dstar, echolink, asterisk). Any type of station can connect.

Commands to help with crosslinking

dtmfEnable enables the non-IRLP part of rtpDir. dtmfDisable disables the non-IRLP part. dtmfIRLPon enables the IRLP part of rtpDir. dtmfIRLPoff disables the IRLP part.

The commands dtmfDisable,dtmfEnable, dtmfIRLPoff,dtmfIRLPon are sent from your Echolink radio/HT interface. Similar dtmf commands exist for a user using the Asterisk radio/HT interface. For enabling/disabling IRLP from the Asterisk radio/HT: ast dtmf cmd=.irlpon 19 ast dtmf cmd=.irlpoff 20 For enabling/disabling non-IRLP nodes from the Asterisk radio/HT: ast dtmf cmd=.enable 22 ast dtmf cmd=.disable 21 .irlpon, irlpoff, .enable, .disable are also remote text commands that can be used by an administrator to enable/disable IRLP and the non-IRLP part of rtpDir. For the IRLP owner that uses the IRLP board to control rtpDir there are also commands in /home/irlp/custom/

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custom_decode
to enable/disable the non-IRLP part of rtpDir
For example:
   The IRLP dtmf B0 will disable the non-IRLP part of
rtpDir.
    if [ "$1" = "B0" ] ; then rtpDir_EL_disable ; exit
1 ; fi
   The IRLP dtmf B1 will enable the non-IRLP part of
rtpDir.
    if [ "$1" = "B1" ] ; then rtpDir_EL_enable ; exit
1 ; fi
   And of course the IRLP owner using the IRLP board
has special
   IRLP commands to enable/disable the IRLP part of
rtpDir.
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CHANGES

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Changes in the current release(v1.60)
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Added in 5198.conf, Echolink dtmf options:
    dtmfDeafDstar=32
    dtmfUndeafDstar=33
    to "DEAF" and "UNDEAF" the dstar connection using
Echolink dtmf tones,
Added in 5198.conf asterisk dtmf options:
    ast_dtmf_cmd=.dstarDeaf 21
    ast_dtmf_cmd=.dstarUndeaf 22
    to "DEAF" and "UNDEAF" the dstar connection using
asterisk dtmf tones.
Added IRLP scripts:
    rtpDir_Dstar_deaf
    dtmf in Detage addeef
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rtpDir_Dstar_undeaf
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to "DEAF" and "UNDEAF" the dstar connection using IRLP dtmf tones.
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Added remote text commands: .dstarDeaf .dstarUndeaf to "DEAF" and "UNDEAF" the dstar connection using remote text commands. Added in 5198.conf, option dstarIsDeaf to mark the dstar connection as "DEAF" whenever the dstar node connects or re-connects to rtpDir. NOTF: When a node is marked as "DEAF", noone can transmit to that node, which means we can only receive from that node but we can not talk to that node. This is different from the MUTE option, which means that we can transmit to that node but we can not receive from it. Changes in previous releases Removed the option remDstar from the config file 5198.conf and placed dstar nodes in the file dstar5198.txt You can add as many dstar nodes as you like in the file dstar5198.txt Added a sample file dstar5198.txt Added config option dstarFile=... in 5198.conf Use the highest quality audio codec between Asterisk and non-Asterisk(IRLP, Echolink, dstar) nodes. You must download the latest chan rtpdir.c Asterisk channel driver from the yahoo group, copy it into the Asterisk channels sub-directory and re-build Asterisk so that Asterisk will use the latest chan rtpdir.c driver.

When running it as an IRLP reflector, the codec that the

IRLP connecting station uses can get lost if there is a temporary

loss in connectivity due to ISP problems.

In these cases, GSM will be assumed as a codec for that station that

timed out until the station transmits again and the codec becomes known

to the reflector.

The same situation will occur if you bring down the reflector

while IRLP nodes are connected to it. GSM codec will be assumed,

because as an IRLP reflector we can not determine the codec

of the connecting station by examining the contents of the

/home/irlp/local/codec because that file will not
exist,

and of course there is no such directory on Windows platforms

or Linux platforms that have no IRLP node installations.

It is known when IRLP stations connect to an IRLP reflector,

they transmit a couple of bursts to the reflector and that is

how the codec is determined, but during timeouts the IRLP

connecting station is not transmitting any bursts, so when

it re-connects to the reflector on the control port, GSM codec will be assumed, until the IRLP station

starts

transmitting its first burst.

Speak-Freely clients(sfmike) or clients that use imike

will have their IP address shown, because Speak-

Freely(sfmike) and imike can fake their callsign/name, so to avoid duplicates the IP address of the connecting station that uses IRLP or Speak-Freely protocol will be shown. This is used only when rtpDir runs as an IRLP reflector/conference. Added config option fileplay_delay measured in ms. This is used when playing announcemenst from files, sending welcome audio to users, announcing callsigns,... Full dtmf control over the dstar node, Full dtmf control over the Asterisk node. Add invertCD, invertCTS and invertDSR options required for the Echolink radio/radio interfaces that expect one the CD, CTS, DSR serial port pins ot be inverted. Codec conversions are automatic. txDelay config variable is now measured in MILLISECONDS to reduce hang-up time. Port <---> channel switching for IRLP reflectors. HARDWARE REOUIREMENTS _____ rtpDir can run on all Linux machines and all Windows PC's. How fast it runs, depends on your machine and your ISP.

WARNING

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We have not tested the software

on a machine other than x86 arch(little endian/ Linux or Windows).

All Linux flavors supported and all Windows boxes. We have received reports that it runs on Vista with no problems.

We received reports

that it runs on 64-bit platforms with no problems.

OTHER SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS

For Windows, download the pre-built Windows

Qt-4.x.zip runtime package

from the yahoo group.

For Windows, rtpDir needs Qt 4.3.0 release or above to run correctly.

Qt for Windows is a Trolltech product.

For Linux, download the pre-built Linux Qt-4.x.tar.gz runtime package

from the yahoo group.

For Linux, rtpDir needs Qt 4.3.1 or above to run correctly.

Qt for Unix/Linux is a Trolltech product.

INSTALLATION

WINDOWS:

Create a new and empty directory C:\rtpDir Extract the files out of the Qt-4.x.zip runtime package into the directory C:\rtpDir Extract the files out of rtpDir-1.60-exe.zip into the same directory C:\rtpDir

At this point, all files from both packages are in the directory C:\rtpDir If you will be making connections to dstar/dextra_srv nodes or dstar XRF reflectors,

download and configure the dextra_client package
for Windows.

You are done with the Windows installation. Proceed with the CONFIGURATION.

LINUX

You can install any Linux distro, but if you want to run rtpDir which needs a GUI then you better make sure your Linux distro includes a GUI, unless you dont care about it and want to run Linux in text mode. For Linux running in text mode, then install rtpDir_tm which runs in text mode only and does not need a Linux GUI desktop.

Again, you can install a Linux distro without having a

GUI. In that case you will be using rtpDir_tm and not rtpDir.

If you will be making connections to dstar/dextra_srv nodes or dstar XRF reflectors,

download and configure the dextra_client package for Linux.

For connecting to asterisk nodes, download chan_rtpdir.c and build it into the asterisk server.

If you decide to install IRLP,

make sure that you install IRLP under /home/irlp
directory.

If you install a KDE or GNOME desktop or just the Xorg

server software, or you already have a graphical desktop on your Linux box and you get the error

"AUDIO DEVICES NOT SET CORRECT"

whenever you try to start IRLP or whenever you try to connect

to another IRLP node, put the following command in the /home/irlp/custom/rc.irlp file just after the #!/bin/bash line:

chmod o+rw /dev/audio /dev/mixer /dev/dsp

The above command will set the audio devices for use with

IRLP user repeater which the IRLP software uses to make calls

and accept calls.

However, if you still do not want to run rtpDir

in a graphical environment, then use the text mode version,

rtpDir_tm. That package does not require a Linux GUI
installation.

If you want to use Asterisk with rtpDir/rtpDir_tm, we recommend the Asterisk ACID CD install or the Asterisk EVB CD install.

Both ACID or EVB CD's include CentOS 5.x linux plus the

Asterisk package. On top of that install the IRLP software from IRLP NET if you choose to have IRLP on your Linux distro.

Again, we must underline the fact that rtpDir(GUI) or rtpDir_tm(text mode) can run alone on a Linux platform

without Asterisk or IRLP.

But most people prefer to combine VoIP networks to form some kind of a cluster so to speak.

Sometimes a Linux CD may be missing the aumix and/or the ncftp utilities(ncftpget, ncftpput), so download them

from the "Files" section of of the the yahoo group. aumix and ncftpget, ncftpput are used by IRLP

and they are required to be in /usr/bin directory. Installation of the rtpDir/rtpDir tm software must be done with the user logged in as root. Now download the following required packages: Download Qt-4.x.tar.gz into the /root directory. Execute the following commands: gunzip Qt-4.x.tar.gz tar xvf Ot-4.x.tar (The above package is required for the rtpDir tm version of the bridge also) Download rtpDir-1.60.tar.gz into the /root directory. Execute the following commands: gunzip rtpDir-1.60.tar.gz tar xvf rtpDir-1.60.tar At this point all the files from both packages are in the directory /root/runtime. Rename the directory /root/runtime to /root/rtpDir Create a directory /root/rtpDir/so files/ Move the libraries libQtCore.so.4.3.1, libQtGui.so. 4.3.1 and libOtNetwork.so.4.3.1 from /root/rtpDir/ directory to /root/rtpDir/ so files/ directory Go to the /root/rtpDir/so files/ directory. Now you will create the the symbolink links to the Qt libraries that exist in the /root/rtpDir/so_files/ directory. Execute each of the following 9 LINK commands one at a time: (The Linux ln command will be used) ln -s libQtNetwork.so.4.3.1 libQtNetwork.so ln -s libOtNetwork.so.4.3.1 libOtNetwork.so.4

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ln -s libQtNetwork.so.4.3.1 libQtNetwork.so.4.3
 ln -s libQtGui.so.4.3.1 libQtGui.so
 ln -s lib0tGui.so.4.3.1 lib0tGui.so.4
 ln -s libQtGui.so.4.3.1 libQtGui.so.4.3
 ln -s libQtCore.so.4.3.1 libQtCore.so
 ln -s libQtCore.so.4.3.1 libQtCore.so.4
  ln -s lib0tCore.so.4.3.1 lib0tCore.so.4.3
 Now, verify that you actually created the links
correctly.
  Execute this command: ls -la
 You should see some output similar to the following:
     libQtNetwork.so -> libQtNetwork.so.4.3.1
     libQtNetwork.so.4 -> libQtNetwork.so.4.3.1
     libQtNetwork.so.4.3 -> libQtNetwork.so.4.3.1
     libOtNetwork.so.4.3.1
     libOtGui.so -> libOtGui.so.4.3.1
     libOtGui.so.4 -> libOtGui.so.4.3.1
     libQtGui.so.4.3 -> libQtGui.so.4.3.1
     libOtGui.so.4.3.1
     libQtCore.so -> libQtCore.so.4.3.1
     libOtCore.so.4 -> libOtCore.so.4.3.1
     libOtCore.so.4.3 -> libOtCore.so.4.3.1
     libOtCore.so.4.3.1
 CREATE the rtpDir software
 Go back to the /root/rtpDir directory.
 There is a script file "create2_rtpDir.sh"
    that you will execute to create the rtpDir(GUI)
software.
 To create rtpDir_tm(text mode only, no GUI stuff)
    use the create2 rtpDir tm
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More info about rtpDir_tm bridge can be found in the
rtpDir_tm.txt file
which is also posted in the "Files" section of the
yahoo group.
We've tested the script on CentOS, Fedora, Suse,
Red Hat, Debian, Ubuntu and other Linux systems.

The create2_rtpDir.sh can use either the g++ command or the gcc command. Some Linux systems are missing the g++ software. You can either download it or use gcc command. Open the script create2_rtpDir.sh and use either g++ or gcc

(Do the same with the create2_rtpDir_tm.sh script if you are trying

to build rtpDir_tm)

Execute the script create2_rtpDir.sh
 like this: ./create2_rtpDir.sh

or for Linux text mode with no desktop: ./create2_rtpDir_tm.sh

If you get any errors from the script, will probably be because other libs referenced by the script are missing the symbolic links in /usr/lib directory

and/or in the /usr/X11R6/lib(rtpDir GUI needs X11 libs) directory.

(rtpDir_tm bridge does not need X11 GUI libs).

rtpDir needs the following libs preinstalled: the math lib(-lm), (Expected to be in / usr/lib directory) the X11 libs(-lXext, -lX11), (Expected to be in / usr/X11R6/lib directory or /usr/lib) pthreads lib(-pthread), (Expected to be in / usr/lib directory)

the alsa sound lib(-lasound). (Expected to be in /
usr/lib directory)

rtpDir tm needs the same libraries except the X11 and alsa sound. If the required library is installed but not where create2 rtpDir.sh expects to find it, it is easy to create a symbolic link to it in /usr/lib (or /usr/X11R6/lib as the case maybe) For example, on some Linux systems the alsa sound library is installed in /lib and not /usr/lib where create2_rtpDir.sh expects it to be. In that case create a symbolic link as follows: Go to the /usr/lib directory and execute the command: ln -s /lib/theREAL alsa sound library libasound.so Of course, replace theREAL_alsa_sound_library with the correct alsa library filename on your system. And make sure theREAL alsa sound library is not a symbolic link but the the actual library itself. On other Linux systems, the required library is installed in the correct place, but its symbolic link is missing. So go to the directory where the library is installed and create the symbolic link with the "ln -s" command. as in: ln -s existing LIBRARY file NOT A LINK new_LINK_name.so Assuming the script finished without errors, verify with the command: ldd rtpDir

or ldd rtpDir_tm (if you are building rtpDir_tm)

Check the output to make sure that all runtime library dependencies

have been resolved.

The next step is to remove debugging info from the executable

to force the executable to have a smaller memory footprint.

Execute this: strip rtpDir

Additional steps if you plan to run rtpDir/rtpDir_tm with *Asterisk* enabled.

in /etc/asterisk/rpt.conf you must have under a
specific Asterisk node

the rxchannel config entry set to this:

rxchannel=rtpdir/127.0.0.1:4570:4670

where 4570 is the localASTport, and 4670 is the remoteASTport.

If you will be connecting to a remote rtpDir/ rtpDir_tm bridge,

then replace 127.0.0.1 with the remote IP address where rtpDir bridge is running.

The latest Asterisk module file chan_rtpdir.so must be placed under

the /usr/lib/asterisk/modules/ directory
You better download a copy of chan_rtpdir.c
from the yahoo group, in the "Files" section
because that is the correct one to use with rtpDir/
rtpDir_tm bridge.

It must also say this in the comment section:

Version 0.6-NO-SEQUENCE-NUMBERS Sun Sep 28

12:03:31 EDT 2008.

PUT BACK THE WAY IT WAS BEFORE, SEQUENCE NUMBERS NOT NEEDED.

TEXT HANDLING IS OUT. IRLP DOES NOT PROCESS TEXT. THIS DRIVER USES UNCOMPRESSED HIGH_QUALITY AUDIO.

Other copies of chan_rtdir.c driver may be version 0.6 or later but

will NOT work with rtpDir/rtpDir_tm bridge.

So, download chan_rtpdir.c and place it under the Asterisk channels

directory and then build the Asterisk server, no exceptions here.

The latest module file app_rpt.so must be placed under

the /usr/lib/asterisk/modules/ directory and it must be at least version version 0.121 The source file app_rpt.c is alreasy included with the ACID or EVB distributions of Asterisk.

To disable use of the sound card by Asterisk remove chan_oss.so and chan_alsa.so from /usr/lib/ asterisk/modules

directory or to force Asterisk to use a different sound card

change the values in /etc/asterisk/oss.conf and /etc/ asterisk/alsa.conf

or do not let asterisk load these by modifying /etc/ asterisk/modules.conf

and adding the noload command.

Example in /etc/asterisk/modules.conf file: noload=chan oss.so

noload=chan alsa.so

To disable use of the sound card by IRLP,

remove imike and ispeaker command lines from 5198.sh, 5198_tm.sh start-up scripts,

or force IRLP to use another sound card installed. For example, to let imike use the second sound card installed

on the Linux box: imike -Y/dev/dsp1(rest of parameters...) ispeaker can also be forced to use the second sound card installed: ispeaker -Y/dev/dsp1 ...(rest of parameters...). (You also have to change the IRLP script wavplay to to pass the correct sound device to the play command line). (Recommendations by Steve/N9YTY) To disable use of the sound card by rtpDir, set soundCard=no in the 5198.conf file for rtpDir bridge, or set soundCard=yes but force rtpDir to use another sound card by changing insci and outsci configuration parameters in the 5198.conf file. (rtpDir_tm does not use a sound card at all and it is a pure reflector.) Probably you have realized by now that IRLP,*Asterisk* and rtpDir will compete for the sound card if there is only one installed. You have to decide which type of node is really connected to a radio and enable the sound card device to be used by only that node. If your conference has reached its maximum number of connected stations and an *Asterisk* node tries to connect, the packets will be silently dropped. The same thing will happen if you set your conference station to "BUSY", or set your conference to "PRIVATE" and the incoming *Asterisk* node is not listed in the PRIVATE list. Some *Asterisk* settings are useful when linking *Asterisk* with rtpDir bridge conference. In rpt.conf configuration file:

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These following settings should be used for any link-
to-link interface in rpt.conf:
  duplex=0
  linktolink=yes
  hangtime=0
 duplex=0 disables all courtesy tones,
  but without linktolink=yes, you will only be
operating in half-duplex mode.
  hangtime=0 disables the squelch tail.
 A few more things to do:
  remove these files from the /usr/src/asterisk/
channels directory:
  chan echolink.c
  chan echolink.so
  chan_irlp.c
  chan irlp.so
  remove these files from the /usr/lib/asterisk/modules
  chan echolink.so
  chan_irlp.so
  remove these files from the /etc/asterisk directory
  echolink.conf
  irlp.conf
 Also, make sure you have these statements
  in /etc/asterisk/modules.conf
  under the [modules] section:
  noload=chan echolink.so
  noload=chan_irlp.so
  noload=chan oss.so
  noload=chan alsa.so
 The only files that are required are:
  /usr/src/asterisk/channels/chan rtpdir.c
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and make sure that in /etc/rpt.conf one of your nodes has this: rxchannel=rtpdir/0.0.0.0:4570:4670 because it will be chan rtpdir driver and rtpDir(or rtpDir tm) server that will provide access to IRLP, Echolink and dstar. The Asterisk CD ISO's, that most people install, expect that you have a modified USB sound fob (cost is \$5) or a URI board(cost is \$99) If one of these is not plugged in when you start Asterisk or when the system boots, then the Asterisk server crashes and it becomes a "ZOMBIE" process and Asterisk becomes unsuable. So, if you dont have one of these boards or one of them is not installed and plugged in, or you dont intend to TX/RX using one of these boards, but want to TX/RX using rtpDir bridge, remove /usr/lib/asterisk/modules/chan usbradio.so, remove /etc/asterisk/usbradio.conf and add the noload statement noload=chan usbradio.so to /etc/asterisk/modules.conf file Also remove rxchannel = Radio/usbfrom all nodes in /etc/asterisk/rpt.conf if you dont have a URI or a USB sound fob plugged in. After making the above changes to the Asterisk directories, go to the Asterisk directory: /usr/src/asterisk and execute these 2 commands to rebuild your Asterisk server: gmake gmake install

You must enable *Asterisk* connects to rtpDir bridge by setting correct values in the rtpDir bridge config file 5198.conf file or 5198_tm.conf file. See settings below.

Additional steps if you plan to run rtpDir/rtpDir_tm in Echolink + IRLP mode

_____ ______ NOTE: These steps are not required if you will be running rtpDir as an IRLP reflector(refXXXX or expXXXX). Also these steps are not required if you are installing rtpDir on Windows, because IRLP station node software can only run on Linux. So, on Windows, you can only run rtpDir as an IRLP reflector refXXXX or expXXXX by setting accessIRLP=no These steps are required only if you have installed an IRLP node stnXXXX and you intend to activate the IRLP station node at the same time rtpDir is running. rtpDir will run as an IRLP reflector refXXXX or expXXXX, if accessIRLP=no rtpDir will run as an IRLP station node stnXXXX if accessIRLP=yes and you are running rtpDir on Linux and have installed the IRLP station node software under /home/irlp directory. These steps must also be done while still logged on as user root.

SKIP THIS SECTION, IF YOU ARE USING WINDOWS OR IF YOU DONT HAVE AN IRLP NODE

Make sure that you've installed IRLP under /home/irlp directorv. Very first thing is to edit the /home/irlp/custom/ environment file and set the codec to ADPCM. We recommend that you back up the original IRLP files before you make the changes. The IRLP files that will have to be changed to convert your IRLP node to Echolink + IRLP are as follows: /home/irlp/scripts/on /home/irlp/scripts/on_to_remote /home/irlp/scripts/call /home/irlp/scripts/connect to reflector /home/irlp/scripts/experimental call /home/irlp/scripts/control /home/irlp/scripts/irlp reset /home/irlp/scripts/sfswrapper /home/irlp/scripts/dropcall /home/irlp/scripts/end /home/irlp/scripts/off /home/irlp/custom/custom decode /home/irlp/custom/update-file-list

So, backup the above IRLP files, before going on any further.

To be able to go back to a standalone IRLP without the Echolink part

then the above files must be re-installed with their original contents

before the following changes:

(Of course, another way is to disable the Echolink part completely

using one of the new dmtf/script commands listed below)

Now stop your IRLP node stnXXXX if it is already running

by executing the following commands:

killall mynetd killall dtmf

Make sure your /home/irlp/custom/environment file uses GSM codec or ADPCM.

(u-Law can also be used).

Also make sure that you have this set:

export NOUPDATE=YES

The above export statement inside the /home/irlp/ custom/environment file

will make sure that the IRLP does not overwrite the changes that you

are about to make to your IRLP node stnXXXX to make it work

in "IRLP + Echolink" mode.

Copy the following scripts into the /home/irlp/ scripts directory:

rtpDir ALL discon: Disconnects all stations. rtpDir_EL_discon : Disconnects Echolink stations only. rtpDir EL disconX: Disconnects one Echolink station only. rtpDir EL con: Connects to an Echolink node rtpDir EL disable: Disables the Echolink part rtpDir_EL_enable: Enables the Echolink part rtpDir_EL_reconnect: Reconnects to the last connected Echolink node. Added by NO3Y rtpDir IRLP discon: Disconnects the IRLP connection rtpDir_IRLP_failure: Notifies rtpDir of an IRLP call failure.(Never called by user)

rtpDir_IRLP_reconnect: Reconnects to the last connected IRLP node. rtpDir IRLPref con: Connects to an IRLP refXXXX. rtpDir_IRLPexp_con: Connects to an IRLP expXXXX. rtpDir_IRLPstn_con: Connects to an IRLP stnXXXX. rtpDir_IRLP_callref.sh Connects to an IRLP refXXXX(Called from GUI only) rtpDir_IRLP_callexp.sh Connects to an IRLP expXXXX(Called from GUI only) rtpDir_IRLP_callstn.sh Connects to an IRLP stnXXXX(Called from GUI only) rtpDir_IRLP_endcall.sh Disconnects the IRLP connection(Called from GUI only) rtpDir_AST_con Sends dtmf commands to the Asterisk node by using "rtp fun node ..." rtpDir_rec starts/stops recording audio packets from Asterisk, IRLP, Echolink nodes. rtpDir_play starts/stops playback to Asterisk, IRLP, Echolink nodes. rtpDir conx report any nodes connected to rtpDir/rtpDir_tm bridge. rtpDir Dstar cmd connects and disconnects from dstar nodes. rtpDir_Dstar_deaf marks as "DEAF" the dstar connection. rtpDir_Dstar_undeaf removes the "DEAF" mark from the dstar connection. Also copy these IRLP scripts from the rtpDir package into the /home/irlp/scripts directory: (You may be be asked if you want to overwrite the existing file, answer yes to each question). on

on_to_remote connect_to_reflector experimental_call

```
call
  control
  irlp_reset
  dropcall
  off
  end
  sfswrapper
 Go to /home/irlp/scripts directory and execute these
commands:
  chown repeater: repeater rtpDir *
  chmod +x rtpDir *
  chmod o-rx rtpDir *
 Add the following lines to /home/irlp/custom/
custom_decode file, just before the "exit 0" line
 which is at the end of the file.
 # The next lines to the end of the /home/irlp/custom/
custom decode file must be the last lines
 # just before the "exit 0" line.
 # Sets the non-IRLP part of rtpDir to busy.
 # First disconnect each station.
       then use this command to disable the non-IRLP
 #
part of rtpDir.
       Echolink stations will not make it thru
 #
      Asterisk stations will not make it thru
 #
 #
       dstar stations will not make it thru.
       IRLP station will make it thru if accessIRLP=yes
  #
 #
          otherwise IRLP stations will not make it
thru.
  #
       Remember that accessIRLP=yes then you are
running an IRLP node stnXXXX
 #
                     accessIRLP=no then you are running
an IRLP reflector refXXXX or expXXXX
  if [ "$1" = "B0" ] ; then rtpDir_EL_disable ; exit
1;fi
```

The opposite of the above. Enable the non-IRLP part
of rtpDir.

```
if [ "$1" = "B1" ] ; then rtpDir_EL_enable ; exit 1 ;
fi
  # disconnect all stations
  if [ "$1" = "B2" ]; then rtpDir ALL discon; exit
1 : fi
  # dtmf B3xyz connects to Echolink node xyz
  # Example: B39999 connects to Echolink node# 9999
which is *ECHOTEST*
  if [ ${1#B3} != $1 ]; then rtpDir_EL_con ${1#B3};
exit 1 ; fi
  # Reconnect last EchoLink node
  # Assuming the machine on which IRLP is running did
not reboot since the last
  # Echolink call was made.
  if [ "$1" = "B4" ] ; then rtpDir EL reconnect ; exit
1 : fi
  # Disconnect Echolink stations only
  if [ "$1" = "B5" ]; then rtpDir EL discon; exit 1;
fi
  # connect to an IRLP stnXXXX
  # example B63249 will connect to stn3249
  # always disconnect from IRLP first
  if [ ${1#B6} != $1 ]; then rtpDir IRLP discon;
rtpDir IRLPstn con ${1#B6}: exit 1 : fi
  # connect to an IRLP refXXXX
  # example B79990 will connect to ref9990
  # always disconnect from IRLP first
  if [ ${1#B7} != $1 ]; then rtpDir_IRLP_discon;
rtpDir IRLPref con ${1#B7}; exit 1 ; fi
  # disconnect IRLP connection ONLY
  if [ "$1" = "B8" ] ; then rtpDir_IRLP_discon ; exit
1 ; fi
  # Reconnect last IRLP node.
```

if ["\$1" = "B9"]; then rtpDir_IRLP_discon; rtpDir IRLP reconnect ; exit 1 ; fi # Sends a dtmf command to the local Asterisk server by using this: asterisk -rx "rpt fun astNode # command". # The astNode used is the one pointed to by the config variable astNode= # The Asterisk server must be running. # Example: IRLP user sends this dtmf: B12*32000 That will request a connect to Asterisk node # 2000, using your local astNode. # Example: IRLP user sends this dtmf: B12*12000 # That will request a disconnect from Asterisk node 2000, using your local astNode. # In /etc/asterisk/rpt.conf, the node astNode is the one running the rtpdir driver. # All Asterisk "rpt fun" dtmf commands are accessible this way. # Shortcuts can be added also. if [\${1#B12} != \$1]; then rtpDir AST con \${1#B12}; exit 1 ; fi # dtmf C1xyz disconnects from Echolink node xyz # Example: C19999 disconnects from Echolink node# 9999 which is *ECHOTEST* if [\${1#C1} != \$1]; then rtpDir EL disconX \${1#C1} ; exit 1 ; fi # Start/Stop recording from all connected nodes. # Example: C2 if ["\$1" = "C2"] ; then rtpDir_rec ; exit 1 ; fi # Start/Stop playback to all connected nodes. # Example: C3 if ["\$1" = "C3"] ; then rtpDir_play ; exit 1 ; fi # report connected nodes # Example: C4 if ["\$1" = "C4"] ; then rtpDir conx ; exit 1 ; fi

```
# dtmf C51 disconnects from any connected dstar node
and connects to the dstar node
       pointed to, by the 1st entry in the file
 #
dstar5198.txt
 # dtmf C52 disconnects from any connected dstar node
and connects to the dstar node
       pointed to, by the 2nd entry in the file
  #
dstar5198.txt
 #
 # dtmf C53 ....and so on
 #
 # Special Case: C50 just disconnects from the dstar
node.
  if [ ${1#C5} != $1 ]; then rtpDir_Dstar_cmd
${1#C5} ; exit 1 ; fi
 # connect to an IRLP expXXXX
 # example C60013 will connect to exp0013 IRLP
experimental reflector
 # always disconnect from IRLP first
  if [ ${1#C6} != $1 ]; then rtpDir IRLP discon;
rtpDir IRLPexp con ${1#C6}; exit 1 ; fi
 # mark the dstar connection as DEAF
  if [ "$1" = "C7" ] ; then rtpDir Dstar deaf ; exit
1 : fi
 # Un-Deaf the dstar connection
 if [ "$1" = "C8" ]; then rtpDir Dstar undeaf; exit
1 ; fi
 Make sure that B0 ... C8 dtmf prefix codes are not
currently being used in your
  /home/irlp/custom/custom decode file on another line.
 You can add more dtmfs that you can use on your IRLP
radio to control other parts
  of the rtpDir bridge. For every new dtmf that you
add, create a script file.
 You can even add dtmf shortcuts if you want.
```

Make sure the file /home/irlp/custom/update-file-list contains at least the following lines: (If the file /home/irlp/custom/update-file-list does not exist, create it and then add the following lines) --exclude on --exclude on to remote --exclude connect to reflector --exclude call --exclude custom decode --exclude sfswrapper --exclude control --exclude dropcall --exclude off --exclude end --exclude irlp_reset --exclude experimental_call It is very important that you put all the IRLP files names (on,...experimental call) into the file /home/irlp/custom/update-file-list, otherwise IRLP will overwrite these files and your "Echolink + IRLP" node will not work as it should. If the file /home/irlp/custom/update-file-list did not exist before and you just created it, Go to the /home/irlp/custom/ directory and execute this command: chown repeater:repeater update-file-list WARNING: With the above changes to IRLP files, you have changed your IRLP node from IRLP to "Echolink + IRLP". To run IRLP without rtpDir, remove the above changes to the IRLP files, and then you can run IRLP standalone with no Echolink capabilities.

or disable Echolink while still running rtpDir/rtpDir_tm in "Echolink + IRLP" Next step: Copy the software rtpDir_signal to /home/irlp/bin directory. Go to the /home/irlp/bin directory and execute the following commands: chown repeater:repeater rtpDir_signal chmod 750 rtpDir signal Last step: download the text file "connect and disconnect from reflectors.txt" from the same group and study it. It points out the fact that you must use certain IRLP dtmfs to connect to and disconnect from TRLP reflectors. You are done with the installation. Proceed with the CONFIGURATION. CONFIGURATION _____ rtpDir/rtpDir_tm is run with 2 parameters on the command line. The first parameter is the configuration file. The second parameter is a log file. The configuration file must exist and must have read access. The log file does not have to exist but the directory where the log file will be created must have write permissions. Both file names must be given on the command line. No defaults are implied. File names must include full path or no path at all. If no path is specified, then current directory will be used.

A sample configuration file 5198.conf for rtpDir(GUI) and 5198 tm.conf for rtpDir tm rtpDir(GUI is for Windows or Linux, rtpDir tm is for Linux text mode only). Most of the entries are already filled in but the following configuration variables have to be changed: Look in the sample file 5198.conf for rtpDir or 5198 tm.conf for rtpDir_tm. Remember rtpDir_tm runs on Linux only. rtpDir runs on both Linux and Windows. call password name ath e-mail # insci and outsci, dont need to be changed if soundCard=no or call is a *CONFERENCE* callsign # insci outsci # EL node is your Echolink node# # You can use any number here, it does not have # to be your Echolink node number. # This is used to detect collisions. # Even if you do not use your Echolink node number, the rtpDir bridge will still display your # correct Echolink node number when it starts. # EL node **# VERY IMPORTANT,** # irlpNode must have a correct value which is something like stnXXXX where XXXX is your 4-# digit IRLP node number # If you dont have an IRLP node, set it to stn0000 # Your IRLP node irlpNode

There are so many other configurations entries you can set to

control the operation of the rtpDir bridge.

We recommend that you go thru each one of them so that any problems

you may get while running the rtpDir bridge can be identified.

Configuration file format.

Lines starting with '#' are comments and not processed

by the built-in parser.

All must be supplied or else the program will not start.

If program fails to start, check the log file 5198.log

for errors.

Unless otherwise noted, entries refer to the Echolink network.

```
# CALLSIGN must be in UPPERCASE
call=YourCallSign
password=YourPassword
name=YourName
qth=YourLocation
email=YourEmail
```

You can use multiple servers for login/ downloads.

```
server=server1.echolink.org
server=server2.echolink.org
server=server3.echolink.org
```

```
# Is this an Echolink network? yes or no
    # If EL_login=yes, your node will be registered
with
    # the Echolink server(s) and you will then
have to set
```

the option loadStnFile to yes or no. # If loadStnFile=yes, a local file pointed to, # by the option stnFile will be used as a station list. # If loadStnFile=no, a station list will be # downloaded from the Echolink server(s). # # # If EL_login=no, your node will NOT be reaistered with the Echolink server(s) and the software will # force the option loadStnFile to yes so that a # local file pointed to, by the option stnFile will be # used as a station list. # EL login=yes # myIP is your Echolink IP address, leave it as 0.0.0.0 if you dont know it, # or use an IP address assigned # to you by the ISP if you're not using a # router/firewall. If you are behind a router/firewall, # use the private IP address assigned to you # by DHCP or the static private IP address # that you assigned to your machine. # DO NOT use the public IP address of # your network. If you get the error # "Could not start rtpDir,error=The 'bind' call # for the RTP socket failed" use either 0.0.0.0 or # the private IP address 192.168.x.x # In any case, we recommend using 0.0.0.0 in # case you get the above error in the log file. # This IP address can be different from # the myIRLP_IP address. # myIP=0.0.0.0 #
port is your Echolink tx/rx port. Although you specify 5198, # both 5198 and 5198 + 1 will be opened. # 5198(audio, text) and 5198 + 1=5199(control # messages) are both UDP ports and used for connections # to other stations. Another port is TCP port 5200 which is used # for downloads. but not listed anywhere in the config file. # If you choose any other port, it reverts back # to 5198. If EL_login=no, then you can choose any port # you like. See EL login, loadStnFile and stnFiles # option. port=5198 # Open the soundcard?(yes or no) # if soundcard=no, then sound card device is not opened. # # if soundcard=no then serial port is not opened. # # WARNING: # If you have installed and started IRLP, unless you have 2 sound cards, # you must set soundCard=no , otherwise the IRLP imike software will fail # to start when an IRLP connection is requested. # Setting soundCard=yes means that you intend to control your Echolink repeater or link and you have a compatible Echolink link # interface like VA3TO board or rigblaster or something similar. # # Setting soundCard=no means that you do not have a sound card and you intend to run rtpDir an an Echolink # conference or IRLP reflector/Echolink conference. It could also mean that you DO have a sound # card but you have installed IRLP and you intend to control your IRLP

repeater or link and you will be using your IRLP radio or HT to send dtmfs to # control rtpDir. soundCard=ves # Sound card device indexes, run showcard software for correct values. # These values will be explained later in this document. # For Linux, it is always 0 and 0 for the first sound card # or 1 and 1 for the second sound card or 2 and 2 for the third sound card ... # For Windows, it is 1 and 3 or 1 and 4 or 1 and 5 for the first sound card ... # ...but you may have a non-standard soundcard configuration, so still run showcard for correct values. # insci=0 outsci=0 # Is audio clipping off ? audioClipOff=yes # Is audio dithering off ? audioDitherOff=no # LatencyIN and LatencyOUT are sound card configuration parameters. # Run the program showcard for correct values for LatencyIN and LatencyOUT # These are usually fractional numbers LatencyIN=0.011610 LatencyOUT=0.011610 # Sample rate for the sound card. # It should be set to 8000, which means 8000 Hz(8 KHz) # The program showcard will probably report a default sample rate of other than 8000, but use 8000 since #

most VoIP networks expect 8000 Hz # # You may try to use other values lower or higher than 8000 to experiment with. # # In some cases, rtpDir will fail to open the sound card with rate=8000 # In such cases, try rate=7999 or rate=8001 # Consult your soundcard's documentation for supported rates. # In some cases, the soundcard failed to open with rate=8000 but it opened with rate=8100 # # However using a rate value other that 8000 might not be ideal for VoIP networks that expect a rate of 8000 # Hz. # In previous versions of rtpDir, the rate value of 8000 was used to open the soundcard, but we found # out that some soundcards will not open with # rate=8000 but they will open with rate=8001 or higher # or rate=7999 or lower. But remember that the # further you # get from the value of 8000, the higher the probabilitv that your audio will not sound OK to the # other participants in the same VoIP network. So, even though # vou were successful opening the soundcard, test your audio before # you connect to another station. # # If your sound card does not support a sample rate of 8000, replace it with one that does. # rate=8000

```
# After initiating a connection to another node,
          how long before we give up, in seconds.
      #
      # Minimum is 40
      conxTimeout=40
     # After trying to login/register with the
servers,
     # how long before we assume
          that the server is not responding
      #
          and we must try another, in seconds.
      #
      # Minimum is 10
      loginTimeout=10
     # Download timeout in seconds.
     # How long to wait before
     # we assume that the download
     # will never finish and must try
      # again on another server.
      # Minimum is 60 seconds.
     # Give rtpDir ample time to download the list.
     # Even high speed Internet has hiccups
         from time to time.
      #
      dnlTimeout=65
     # How often to login in minutes.
     # Setting this to 0, disables
     # the login timer and eventually
     # you will disappear from the Echolink list.
     # Setting this to a number greater than 6
     # may also drop you from the list and it
     # will force a re-login later.
      # A good value is 6.
      loginInter=6
      # How often to download the list of stations,
      #
          in minutes.
      # Setting it to 0, disables downloads.
     # Higher than 5 may force a full compressed
     # download, instead of the
     # differential/compressed download which is
preferred.
```

```
refreshInter=5
# Initially login as busy(yes or no)
busy=no
# This option controls both Bridge audio and
# Bridge text.
# Is this a bridge/conference?(yes or no)
# Dont bother running it as a bridge
# using a dial-up modem
bridge=no
# Max connected stations
# Good number for DSL is 8
# Good number for dial-up modems is 1 or 2.
# Good number for cable modems is 50
maxStns=8
# Display current number of users(yes or no)
dispNumUsers=no
# Banner start
banStart=Welcome to rtpDir
# Banner end
# You can have multiple lines for this item.
banEnd=-----
# Is this a private conference(yes or no)
private=no
# Private File, must have read/write access.
# File must exist. Empty file is OK.
# Full pathname.
#prvFile=C:/rtpDir/prv5198.txt
prvFile=/root/rtpDir/prv5198.txt
# Bookmark file, must have read/write access.
# File must exist. Empty file is OK.
# Full Pathname.
#bookFile=C:/rtpDir/book5198.txt
bookFile=/root/rtpDir/book5198.txt
```

Banned users file, must have read/write access. # File must exist. Empty file is OK. # Full pathname. #banFile=C:/rtpDir/ban5198.txt banFile=/root/rtpDir/ban5198.txt # ADMIN callsigns file, must have read/write access. # File must exist. Empty file is OK. # Full pathname. admFile=/root/rtpDir/adm5198.txt #admFile=C:/rtpDir/adm5198.txt # The file pointed to, by the option dstarFile, # must have READ access. # Full pathname must be used dstarFile=/root/rtpDir/dstar5198.txt # dstarFile=C:/rtpDir/dstar5198.txt # load a station list from a local file, yes or no. # See also EL login and stnFile options. loadStnFile=no # Use this local file as a list of stations. # Full pathname and file must exist. # For the file format, look at the file stnFile.txt # Also see EL login and loadStnFile options. # stnFile=C:/rtpDir/stnFile.txt stnFile=/root/rtpDir/stnFile.txt # Directory for QSO recordings. # Also, all gsm filenames are relative # to this directory. # Directory must exist with read/write access. # For Linux, just an example: QSOdir=/root/rtpDir/ # For Windows, just an example: # QSOdir=C:/rtpDir/

the download and decompress program. # Full pathname must be given. # For Linux, just an example: fetchpgm=/root/rtpDir/getlist # For Windows, just an example: # fetchpgm=C:/rtpDir/getlist win # RTCP timeout. # Minimum value is 5. # 5 * 10 = 50 seconds # If after 50 seconds we dont # receive the RTCP "heartbeat" # from the remote station, that # station will be disconnected. # Why do we multiply the RTCPtimeout by 10? # Because heartbeat interval is up to 10. RTCPtimeout=5 # This helps with Country selection. # If you want only US callsigns to connect # to your node, then the value # should be *AKNW. # *ANKWDFGIJLMOPUVZ469 will allow # OSOs with civilized countries. # Consult your ARRL books for # specific Callsign prefix info. # Not really 100% Callsign prefix selection, # but it helps in blocking # large groups of callsigns by country. # An asterisk will allow Conferences. # This pertains to Echolink stations only. # Allow callsigns starting with allowPrefix=*ANKWDFGIJLM0PUVZ469 # Allow repeaters, yes or no allowRptrs=yes # Allow links, yes or no allowLinks=yes

What are the rules for allowing a connect request?

The following checks are done for both outbound Echolink or IRLP:

Connect requests to your local Echolink node
are not allowed.

Connect requests to your local IRLP node are
not allowed.

Connect requests to nodes already connected
are not allowed.

#

#

Connect requests while conxTimeout timer is
active are not allowed.

(Not checked if the IRLP connect is done
from the IRLP radio).

#

Additional checks for outbound Echolink
stations only:

Has capacity limit been reached?

Connect requests are not allowed if your station is set to Busy

Connect requests to banned stations are not
allowed

If prv checkbox is checked, then connect
requests to stations not

on Private list are not allowed.

Are repeaters allowed?

Are links allowed?

Is callsign prefix allowed?

#

The following checks are done for both inbound Echolink and IRLP:

For nodes already connected, IP address
change detection is done.

For nodes already connected, an SDES update
is done.

Additional checks for inbound Echolink stations
only:

Has capacity limit been reached?

Connect requests are not allowed if your

station is set to Busy.

Connect requests from banned stations are
not allowed

If prv checkbox is checked, then connect
requests from stations not

on Private list are not allowed.

Are repeaters allowed?

Are links allowed?

Is callsign prefix allowed?

Additional checks are done for Inbound IRLP connect requests only:

If rtpDir is running as a reflector and

capacity limit has been reached, connect request is rejected.

If rtpDir is running as a reflector and

node is banned(also called lockout-list), connect request is rejected.

If rtpDir is running as a reflector and

node is busy, connect request is
ed

rejected.

#

If rtpDir is running as a reflector and # prv checkbox is checked, then connect requests from stations not

on Private list are not allowed.

The following checks are done for inbound
Asterisk nodes:

Has capacity limit been reached?

Connect requests from banned stations are not allowed

Connect requests are not allowed if your station is set to Busy.

If prv checkbox is checked, then connect
requests from stations not

on Private list are not allowed.

Asterisk nodes do not accept requests from IRLP or Echolink nodes yet.

Your Echolink node

If you dont use your own node and

a collision is detected, your node

will be set to a random 32-bit value, which # does not matter at all. This number is used # to detect RTCP collisions, it is not really # your node#. We recommend using the Echolink node# which # is unique, so the software will not use a # random number for collision detection. # Even if you dont use your own Echolink node# # your Echolink node number assigned to you by Echolink # will still be displayed in the list. EL node=123456 # if linkMode=a (meaning ascii), then ascii commands are sent to the link # interface to control the radio. For this mode to work, the link interface # must support it. Check with VA3TO link interface, it is the # best interface there is. # This interface also has a DTMF decoder on # board and # supports COS and timeouts. # # If linkMode=s (meaning sound), then "sound card" mode will be used to control # the radio. That means RTS/DTR checking and unchecking # serial port pins. Most other interfaces are of this kind. # And most of them dont have a DTMF decoder on # board. The VA3TO interface supports both ascii and # sound modes. # # In either linkMode(a or s), if CTS or DSR or CD pin in the serial # port goes HIGH(ON), rtpDir will detect that and assume it is # a COS signal and will start reading audio from

the sound card. # Of course, if rtpDir VOX checkbox is checked, then rtpDir # will start reading audio from the sound card if # VOX level exceeds VOX threshold. # # If you do NOT have a radio link interface connected to the PC or # you do NOT have a radio connected or # you do NOT have a serial port, then use a dash, example linkMode=-# Only if you set linkMode to a or s, the serial port will be opened. # # If soundCard=no, serial port is not opened. linkMode=s # The serial port connected to a link interface # like VA3TO, Rigblaster, SignalLink,... # Whatever port you connect the interface to, # make sure the port is not locked by another program. # For Windows: TXcomport=com2 # For Linux: TXcomport=/dev/ttyS1 # Other values for Windows: com1, com3, com4,... # # Other values for Linux: /dev/ttyS0, /dev/ttyS2, /dev/ttyS3,... # TXcomport=/dev/ttyS1 # Some radio/radio interfaces expect one of the serial port pins to be inverted. # # If that is the case, set one of them to yes. invertCD=no invertCTS=no invertDSR=no # Use the Internal(I) DTMF decoder in rtpDir. # or the External(E) DTMF decoder on the radio link interface.

or None(N) # If you have a VA3TO or WB2REM or G3VFP or G4CDY radio # link interface which has a DTMF decoder on board, set dtmfConfig=E if you like. # # # dtmfConfia=I # dtmfConfia=N dtmfConfig=E # Do you want to be notified with voice response # over the local RF link? # The following voice responses are used: # "busy", "notbusy", "connected", "disconnected", # "not found", "enabled", "disabled", "connecting to". # "Conference", "repeater", "link", "already in conference", # "access denied", "time-out", "Error",... # These voice messages are in files with extension .gsm # You can test how it sounds, by playing back the # .gsm file with playgsm, if rtpDir is not running. # Example: ./playgsm notfound.gsm # Or you can play it back with Menu option Control/PlayBack. # If you want to record your own gsm file so that # your own voice is played back instead of the # electronic-computerized voice, then start rtpDir, # do not connect to any station, check REC checkbox, # check PTT checkbox and speak into the MIC. # When you are done, uncheck REC and PTT. # Look for a file rtpDir recorded.gsm # Use Menu option Control/PlayBack to play it back or # shutdown rtpDir and playback that file # with playgsm. If it sounds OK to you,

rename that file to match one of the # gsm files included in the package. # So, if you spoke the words "NOT FOUND" # into the MIC, rename that file to notfound.gsm # You can do that with all the voice gsm files. # yes or no # playMsg=yes # During playback, play for how long(in seconds) before a pause? # If playDuration is set to 0, then playback will NOT be interrupted. playDuration=120 # During playback, pause for how many seconds, before continuina? playPause=5 # announce connects/disconnects for Asterisk. # if set to no, rtpDir will NOT announce its own message when the Asterisk station connects directly # to rtpDir # but still the your Asterisk station will genereate its own # announcement. playMsgAST=no # announce connects/disconnects for IRLP # if set to no, rtpDir will not announce its own message when the IRLP station connects directly to # rtpDir but still your IRLP node station will # generate its own announcement. # playMsgIRLP=no # Announce the connected CALLSIGN over the local

RF link?

There are gsm files, A.gsm thru Z.gsm and # 0.gsm to 9.gsm to support the announcement of # CALLSIGNs over the local RF link. # If soundcard=no, the CALLSIGN is not announced. # However if soundCard=no because you are running rtpDir in "Echolink + IRLP" mode, and the IRLP user # on the IRLP radio requested to connect to an # Echolink node, then announcement of the # CALLSIGN # will be trasmitted into the local IRLP ISPEAKER # software so the IRLP user on the IRLP radio # will know who connected. # yes or no playCall=yes # ID your station over local RF link # every so often, in minutes. # If it is 0(zero), no station identification is done. # # You have 2 choices here: # Either use rtpDir and record your own gsm file # and rename it to id.gsm or # use cwgsm program to create a CW morse code file # and rename the resulting file from cwid.gsm # to id.asm # The station is identified # only when local RF link and rtpDir are guiet. # # The file id.gsm is played back. IDinter=0 # Delay in seconds before transmitting # the file welcome.txt to the connected station # See option sendWel # Dont set it near 0, connected stations # have a "feature" that clears the text # in the chat text window when a connection is

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made.
      # rtpDir will not clear any text in the chat text
window.
      # welcomeTxtDelay in seconds.
      # welcomeTxtDelay=13
      # Allow the welcome.txt file to be trasnmitted?
      # The file welcome.txt must exist
      # in the OSOdir
      # Keep the text inside the file welcome.txt
      # to less than 512 characters and all
      # of the text in one single line.
      # It will be sent in one burst.
      # Also see option welcomeTxtDelay
      # yes or no
      sendWel=yes
      # Similar to welcomeTxtDelay option
      # but refers to welcome audio.
      # See option playWel
      welcomeAudioDelay=13
      # Allow the welcome.gsm file to be transmitted?
      # yes or no
      playWel=yes
      # Important:
      # If you're running a BRIDGE, set the above
variables
      # to no: playWel, sendWel
      # and set IDinter=0
      # delay in playing announcements, callsigns, and
          welcome audio to users.
      #
      # Measured in milliseconds.
      # If it is set to 0, then no delay is applied.
      playfile delay=20
      # VERY IMPORTANT
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The above options: playMsg, playCall, IDinter, plavWel # use "BLOCKING" functions to play audio. # It has to be "BLOCKING" so that the entire message # gets played in its entirety with no break-ups in between. # DO NOT CREATE 100MB audio file to contain just the # voice response "CONNECTED". In other words, the audio file connected.gsm # should be small size and to the point. If it takes more than the # RTCPtimeout to finish playing the voice response "CONNECTED" # connected stations to your station may get disconnected. # Example: If your RTCPtimeout value is 5, so in this case # case the real timeout is 50 seconds (5 * 10), then # the audio message contained in the file connected.gsm # should take no more than 50 seconds to play out. # The menu option Control/Playback can play any size audio file # you want. There are no restrictions on Control/ PlayBack menu option. # Configurable DTMF commands. # These are dtmfs that can be sent from the Echolink radio only and only if soundCard=yes # # To send dtmfs from the IRLP radio, consult the file /home/irlp/custom/custom decode # # To send dtmfs from the Asterisk radio, look for teh variable ast dtmf cmd # All dtmf commands start with a 2-digit code. # DTMF commands are converted to uppercase

when rtpDir processes the configuration file, # so a1 is the same as A1 # Any commands that you dont want rtpDir # to process, replace with invalid dtmf # Example: dtmfShutdown=zz or dtmfShutdown=ZZ which means you will never be able to shut it down # # Use DISTINCT values for DTMF commands. # WARNING: Results are UNDEFINED if dtmf commands are NOT UNIOUE. # # If soundCard=no, rtpDir will not receive any Echolink dtmfs. # dtmfs from the IRLP radio are converted to text commands which are received by the rtpDir bridge. # # Enable and disable the Echolink part of the rtpDir bridge. dtmfEnable=01 dtmfDisable=02 # Disconnect the station that is on top. # The station that is on top is reported by dtmfWhoIsOnTop dtmfDisconLast=03 # Disconnect a station by Callsign. # Follow instructions for dtmfConCall dtmfDisconCall=04 # Disconnect all stations dtmfDisconAll=05 # Report who connected last or who is active in a **0S0** dtmfWhoIsOnTop=06 # Set station to Busy. dtmfBusy=07 # Shutdown rtpDir bridge

dtmfShutdown=08 # Report status. Connected, busy, not busy dtmfStatus=09 # Enable detection of simple conference loops. dtmfDetectLoops=10 # Any stations that connect are muted. dtmfNSM=11 # Any stations that connect are marked as DEAF. dtmfNSD=12 # dtmf command to set Bridge audio on/off dtmfBrv=13 # dtmf commands for random connects to conferences, # repeaters, links and PC users. dtmfRndConConf=14 dtmfRndConRptr=15 dtmfRndConLink=16 dtmfRndConPCusr=17 # dtmf command to abort a connection timer in progress. # Aborting the connection timer, allows you to make # another connection. # Same as Control/Abort Connect EL menu option # Connect requests to IRLP stations can not be aborted. dtmfConAbort=20 # start/stop recording dtmfRec=21# start/stop playback dtmfPlay=22

Identify your station as a CONFerence dtmfCnfo=23# Tutn off the CONF identfication dtmfCnff=24 # dtmf to connect to irlp # Example: 259990 will try to connect to IRLP node 9990 dtmfcirlp=25 # dtmf to disconnect from irlp dtmfdirlp=26 # Control your Asterisk nodes thru rtpDir Echolink dtmf tones. # There are at least 100 commands or so that can be sent to Asterisk. # Consult the Asterisk documentation. # Asterisk server must be running local to rtpDir. # dtmfAstCmd=27 and that means that anything else after 27 is passed to the Asterisk server for # processina. Enter dtmf 27 and follow it with the asterisk # dtmf tones # example: 27*7 will announce connected Asterisk nodes # example: 27*12000 will drop node 2000 # example: 27*32000 will connect to Asterisk node 2000 # Anything after 27 is passed directly to the Asterisk server. # rtpDir will only have one Asterisk connection on the screen. all other Asterisk connections are linked to # your asterisk rtpdir driver node. # # The config variable astKickall,(see below) is special

because it does not care if the Asterisk # server runs local to rtpDir or not. It will force rtpDir to stop interfacing # with asterisk. # Assuming that you have set astKickall=*95 in this file, read this example # example: 27*95 will kick out all asterisk nodes connected to your driver node only if you have enabled *95 in asterisk rpt.conf, and only if the asterisk server runs local to rtpDir, but even if you have not enabled *95 in Asterisk, and even if asterisk is # not local to rtpDir, rtpDir will stop interfacing with Asterisk. Any other command, will # cause rtpDir to start interfacing with asterisk again. # # # Anything after 27 is passed directly to the Asterisk server. # rtpDir will only have one Asterisk connection on the screen, all other Asterisk connections are linked to # your asterisk rtpdir driver node. # Your asterisk driver node is the asterisk # node listed in asterisk rpt.conf having rxchannel=rtpdir/0.0.0.0:4570:4670 # and also given by the configuration variable # astNode in this file. dtmfAstCmd=27 # Control your dstar node with Echolink dtmf tones. # dtmfDstarCmd=28 Enter first dtmf 28 and then an index number. #

The index number you enter points to the # an entry in the file dstar5198.txt # Each Dstar connect command disconnects first from the currently connected dstar node and re-connects to a new # one. # Only one D-star connection is allowed at a time. # Example: 281 will connect you to the 1st dstar node in the file dstar5198.txt # Example: 282 will connect you to the 2nd dstar node in the file dstar5198.txt # Example: special case: 280 will disconnect from the dstar node if a dstar node is connected to # your station. dtmfDstarCmd=28 # disconnect an Echolink node by its node numbe dtmfdnode=29 # Fnable TRLP dtmfIRLPon=30 # Disable IRLP dtmfIRLPoff=31 # Mark and unmark a station "DEAF". dtmfDeafDstar=32 dtmfUndeafDstar=33 # script command that makes a connect call to an IRLP node # This is used by the rtpDir bridge gui only. conIRLPnode=/home/irlp/scripts/ rtpDir IRLP callstn.sh # script command that makes a connect call to an IRLP reflector refXXXX

This is used by the rtpDir bridge gui only.

conIRLPref=/home/irlp/scripts/ rtpDir IRLP callref.sh

script command that makes a connect call to an IRLP reflector expXXXX

This is used by the rtpDir bridge gui only. conIRLPexp=/home/irlp/scripts/

rtpDir_IRLP_callexp.sh

script command that disconnects the IRLP connection.

This is used by the rtpDir bridge gui only. disconIRLP=/home/irlp/scripts/

rtpDir IRLP endcall.sh

dtmf connect requests to stations

using shortcuts. This is for Echolink only.

Multiple dtmfConShort commands are allowed,

but the prefix must be unique among them,

and the prefix must be unique between all

dtmf commands.

The syntax of this command is a 2-digit dtmf code(the prefix)

plus the node# to connect to.

If the received dtmf sequence matches one

of the prefixes, a connect request to

that node will be initiated.

Looking at the example below,

if the dtmf sequence 30 is received

the software will connect to nodeNumber 99999 # Just make sure that you're not using the codes # 30 or 40 or 50 in any other dtmf command. dtmfConShort=3099999 dtmfConShort=4099999 dtmfConShort=50327495

#

Command to connect by CALLSIGN, and follow it by DTMF digits that

represent CALLSIGN letters. #

For any digit use that digit plus a 0,

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# example:
           for 4, use 40
      #
           for 2, use 20,
      #
           and so on...
      #
     # For a letter use the numeric keypad plus
position of that letter
           under that key.
      #
      # example:
           for letter A, use 21,
      #
           for letter K, use 52,
      #
           for letter N, use 62,
      #
           for letter W, use 91 and so on...
      #
           for * use *
      #
           for - use #
      #
      #
      #dtmfConCall=##
      dtmfConCall=61
     # Connect by Node
      #dtmfConNode=**
      dtmfConNode=62
     # Transmit delay in MILLISECONDS
     # How long before rtpDir assumes that
     # you have stopped trasmitting to the remote
station,
     # or you have stopped entering a dtmf sequence.
     # If you see that your dtmfs are cut short,
increase it and re-try.
     # This is also VOX delay, hangup time.
      # 1000 milliseconds is one second.
      txDelay=1000
     # Receive delay in SECONDS.
     # How long before rtpDir assumes
     # that the remote station has stopped talking.
     # If value is not between 1 and 10, it will be
set to 1.
      rxDelay=1
     # Maximum transmit time for stations, in seconds.
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This is the OSO timeout. # This is to prevent stations from monopolizing the conference. # Set it to 0 to disable. # If not 0 and station transmission time exceeds this value, a text message will be sent to the station # and the station will be disconnected. # # This is for Echolink stations only. # IRLP stations have their own timeouts. maxTXtime=120 # Show connected station in QTH(yes,no) # If yes, the list shows who you're # connected to, otherwise # it only shows your QTH. # Makes no difference if running a conference. stnInOTH=no # connect to this station on start up # This is for Echolink stations only # Use a single dash - for no connections on start-up, # or use a CALLSIGN, example: onStartUp=*ECHOTEST* onStartUp=-# event notification # start-up, shutdown, connected and disconnected event # notification. # A simple script evt.sh for Linux and evt.bat for DOS # is included. You can transmit these events anywhere, # even update a web site. events=no #eventpgm=/root/rtpDir/evt.sh eventpgm=C:/rtpDir/evt.bat # Report connect and disconnect activity

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to other stations?
      #
      # yes or no
      reportAct=yes
     # Maximum duplicate message count.
     # If maxDups=0, then the duplicate detect logic
           is disabled.
      #
      # If maxDups is greater than zero and
      #
           the connected station passes duplicate
      #
           text messages that exceed this maximum, then
           the connected station will be disconnected.
      #
      #
           This is to prevent looping of text messages,
      #
           since the RTP protocol uses
      #
           a detection logic on UDP/audio messages
only,
      #
           but not on text messages which have no
sequence
           numbers.
      #
      # This is also true for administrators. Dont keep
           keep sending the same command over and over.
      #
      # If the remote text command exceeds this limit,
           even the administrator will be disconnected.
      #
           RTP/Sanity-Stats menu option will report
      #
duplicate counts.
      maxDups=125
     # Display station info for each
      #
          of the connected stations on screen.
      # This should be set to 0 when running as a
          Bridge conference.
      #
      # If not a Bridge conference,
      #
          try to keep this to a small number.
     # Example: keep station info in memory for
           the last 2 active stations.
      #
      maxNumSTnfo=2
     # responsiveness of the audio strength bar
indicator
      # Valid values are 0,1,2,3
     # a value of 3 is the least responsive
      barDelay=3
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detect simple conference loops detectConfLoops=yes # reply port for remote text commands for scripting. # This reply port MUST NOT be equal to port. # So if port was set to 5198, then txtCmdReplyPort # MUST NOT BE 5198 and MUST NOT BE 5199 # and MUST NOT BE port 5200. # and it MUST NOT BE ANY IRLP PORT(2074...2093,15425...15428) txtCmdReplyPort=6500 # Accept IRLP connections, yes or no irlpEnable=no # Your IRLP IP address # see also myIP for possible errors. myIRLP_IP=0.0.0.0 # IRLP connections on these ports. # Both irlpPort and (irlpPort + 1) will be opened for receiving. # irlpPort for audio and irlpPort + 1 for control. # irlpPort and (irlpPort + 1) is also used for transmitting. irlpPort=2074 # If you have not installed IRLP, set it to no. # If you are running rtpDir on Windows, set it to no. # If you're interested in running a # pure IRLP reflector, set it to no. # The only time you will set accessIRLP=yes is when # you have installed and running an IRLP node stnXXXX.

accessIRLP=no # Your IRLP node. # If you have installed IRLP and irlpEnable=yes # set irlpNode to your assigned IRLP node. # If you have not installed IRLP, # or irlpEnable=no , set it to stn0000 # If you are running rtpDir on Windows, set it to stn0000 # MUST BE in lowercase. #irlpNode=ref9990 irlpNode=stn0000 # This will be the UDP port for the local IRLP ispeaker binary. # Must be even number and different from irlpPort. # localISPEAKERport=2174 # Do you want to accept *Asterisk* node connects. yes or no # astEnable=ves # What is the Asterisk command that disconnects all # Asterisk nodes connected to your Asterisk node? # The default is *95 but you will have to enable that in the asterisk rtp.conf file # astKickall=*95 # asterisk binary # If you use Asterisk, you must start it in server mode. astBinCmd=/usr/sbin/asterisk # This is the Asterisk node in /etc/asterisk/ rpt.conf that runs the rtpdir channel driver in # Asterisk

must have this: rxchannel=rtpdir/ # 127.0.0.1:4570:4670 # It is related to allowAST variable, see below. astNode=2167 # Your IP address for accepting Asterisk messages myAST_IP=0.0.0.0 # rtpDir will accept Asterisk messages on this local port localASTport=4570 # The *Asterisk* node port on the remote machine or the local machine. # remoteASTport=4670 # The IP address of where the Asterisk server is running that also has the chan_rtpdir channel driver # active. allowAST=127.0.0.1 # Asterisk DTMF tone translation table # These lines map Asterisk dtmf tones to rtpDir commands that will be sent from the Asterisk radio/HT to rtpDir # for processing # to connect/disconnect Echolink, IRLP and dstar nodes. # Example: # The asterisk radio user on the radio/HT # punches this dtmf sequence: *4<driver node><rtpDir</pre> # command># where *4 forces the driver node to go # into command mode and the pound sign # at the end of the sequence completes the #

The rtpdir channel driver node in rpt.conf

#

sequence.

You will enter the above dtmf sequence from # the Asterisk radio node and direct it to the driver node rtpdir channel driver. # The radio node is identified by a node in # rtp.conf that has this: rxchannel=Radio/usb # # # The driver node is identified in rpt.conf by a node that has this: rxchannel=rtpdir/0.0.0.0:4570:4670 # # The <rtpDir command> is explained here: # # Example of an <rtpDir command> is 059990A This works as follows: # rtpDir will take 05 to be a command to # connect to an IRLP reflector, the IRLP reflector is 9990 and the last dtmf A # will be dropped because it flags the end of the dtmf sequence. # Each <rtpDir command> starts with a 2-digit # number given by ast_dtmf_cmd Multiple assignments are allowed for # ast dtmf cmd # # Make sure the 2-digit ast dtmf cmd is unique among all of them. You must have 2 Asterisk nodes for this to # work. One node will be the radio node and will have # rxchannel = Radio/usb# and the second node will be the rtpdir driver # node with rxchannel = rtpdir/ # 0.0.0.0:4570:4670 To send dtmf commands from your Asterisk radio # node to the driver node,

you will send this as a dtmf sequence: # *4<driver node><rtpDir command># where <rtpDir command> is something like # 059990A as explained above. You can do the same thing from the Asterisk # CLI command prompt. Lets say the Asterisk radio node is 2184 and # the driver node is 2167 The CLI command would be this: rpt fun 2184 # *42167<rtpDir command># Example: to connect to the Echolink node 9999: # rpt fun 2184 *42167019999A# # connect to an Echolink node # Example: 019999A will connect to *ECHOTEST* which is node 9999 ast_dtmf_cmd=.cnode 01 # disconnect from an Echolink node # Example: 029999A will disconnect Echolink node 9999 ast dtmf cmd=.dnode 02 # connect to an IRLP station(not for IRLP reflectors) # Example: 033249A will connect to irlp node 3249 ast dtmf cmd=.cstn 03 # disconnect from an IRLP station(not for IRLP reflectors) ast dtmf cmd=.dstn 04 # connect to an IRLP reflector # Example: 059990A that will connect to irlp reflector 9990 ast dtmf cmd=.cref 05 # disconnect from an IRLP reflector ast_dtmf_cmd=.dref 06 # shutdown rtpDir bridge

ast dtmf cmd=.shutdown 09 # disconnect all Echolink nodes ast dtmf cmd=.del 10 #disconnect all IRLP nodes ast dtmf cmd=.dirlp 11 # disconnect all nodes ast dtmf cmd=.dall 12 # start/stop recording # Record all audio packets from all sources(Asterisk,IRLP,Echolink) into rtpDir recorded.gsm # The recording command is somewhat dangerous. # Asterisk is not using a hardware-based DTMF decoder and it may miss a dtmf digit when you are trying to turn off recording. # # It is beter to have an external script that runs at certain times during the day and at a specific time, that script would # send the record command to rtpDir bridge to start/stop recording. # # So uncoment out this line only if you understand the implications of it. # Anyway, a message that the rtpDir bridge is recording will be sent the the radio user(both IRLP and the Asterisk # user) to notify when the the recording started and when it ended. # The audio message that rtpDir sends to the # radio user to tell them that recording mode is on/off is contained # in the files recon.gsm and recoff.gsm Asterisk will also transmit the "audio # command" message to the radio user, so make sure that recon.gsm and recoff.gsm # contain different audio mesages from the Asterisk audio messages. # #

recon.gsm or recoff.gsm will only be # transmitted to the local RF IRLP node and the asterisk node identified by the astNode configuration variable. (If other asterisk nodes are connected under that astNode then asterisk will send the message to those nodes also.) # # # ast dtmf cmd=.record 13 # start/stop playback # Playback the file rtpDir_recorded.gsm to all connected nodes(Asterisk, IRLP, Echolink). ast dtmf cmd=.play 14 # report nodes directly connected to rtpDir/ rtpDir tm. ast dtmf cmd=.conx 15 # Identify your station as a CONFerence ast dtmf cmd=.cnfo 16 # remove the CONFerence identification from your station ast dtmf cmd=.cnff 17 # connect/disconnect to a dstar node # 180 will disconnect # 181 will disconnect first and then connect to the first dstar node in the # file dstar5198.txt # 182 will disconnect first and then connect to the second dstar node in the # file dstar5198.txt # and so on 183 184 185 ... # # So lets say the second entry in the file dstar5198.txt is XRF010 xrf010.xreflector.net # # To connect to reflector XRF010, you would enter the following dtmf

sequence on the Asterisk radio HT and # assuming your driver node is 2167 *42167182A# # # Again, lets analyze it: # *4 to enter command mode, # 2167 is the asterisk chan rtpdir channel driver node 182A is a request to # connect to the second entry in the file dstar5198.txt The pound sign at the end # completes the sequence. # ast dtmf cmd=.dstar 18 # Enable IRLP ast dtmf cmd=.irlpon 19 # Disable IRLP ast_dtmf_cmd=.irlpoff 20 # Disable non-IRLP part of rtpDir ast dtmf cmd=.disable 21 # Enable non-IRLP part of rtpDiR ast dtmf cmd=.enable 22 # deaf the dstar connection ast dtmf cmd=.dstarDeaf 23 # un-deaf the dstar connection ast dtmf cmd=.dstarUndeaf 24 # This is a single DTMF and it means that when the user sends this dtmf tone, whatever dtmf tones # rtpDir has accumulated in its buffer will be processed # ast dtmf end=A # DSTAR insteface starts here #

Enable the DSTAR interface dstarEnable=yes # When a dstar node is connected, should it be marked as "DEAF"? dstarIsDeaf=yes # Better leave this alone at 0.0.0.0 myDSTAR IP=0.0.0.0 # rtpDir will be receiving DSTAR messages on this local udp port # consult the dextra client package package for correct value. localDSTARport=7770 # rtpDir will be sending to DSTAR on this remote udp port # consult the dextra_client package for correct value. remoteDSTARport=9990 # Only one line for DSTAR # This is the IP address where the dextra client software software is running. allowDSTAR=127.0.0.1 # # DSTAR interface ends here **VERY IMPORTANT:** _____ Add all your Echolink callsigns in uppercase, and all your irlp nodes in lowercase and all your Asterisk nodes in lowercase to the rtpDir security file: adm5198.txt Note: prepend the letters ast in front of the asterisk node number. Note: prepend the letters stn in front of the IRLP node number.

For example: On our systems, the adm5198.txt file contains these 4 lines: KI4LKF-L KI4LKF-R *KI4LKF* ast2167 ast2184 stn4201 If you dont add your callsigns, then some of the features of rtpDir will not work correctly or you will not get correct connections or no connections at all or remote access will not work or the rtpDir admin functions will not work. If you will run rtpDir GUI on Linux systems, add the localshost display to the X authorization file. Most Linux Desktops run KDE or GNOME desktop and start the Xorg X11 server like this: /usr/bin/Xorg :0 -br -audit 0 -auth /var/gdm/:0.Xauth nolisten ... The file you need to check is /var/gdm/:0.Xauth Run this: xauth -f /var/gdm/:0.Xauth and when you get the xauth prompt, type "list" and press Enter. If you see only this: #ffff##:0 MIT-MAGIC-COOKIE-1 someBigNumberHere Then you need to add the localhost display also. So, type this and press Enter

add localhost:0 MIT-MAGIC-COOKIE-1 TheSameBigNumberHere

Note: TheSameBigNumberHere must be equal to someBigNumberHere

Now type exit and press Enter.

receive audio packets from rtpDir.

****** ****** SOME PORT RECOMMENDATIONS: As you can see, there are many ports that can lead to confusion. We recommend the following port settings: port = 5198 for Echolink or if not an Echolink network, choose an even number different from the rest of the ports below. irlpPort = 2074 for IRLP if you are running an IRLP node and not an IRLP reflector. or an even number between 2074 to 2092 if running an IRLP reflector. localISPEAKERport = 2174 and must be an even number. txtCmdReplyPort = any port as long as it is not equal to any of the ports above. We recommend 6500 localASTport=4570 which is close to *Asterisk* IAX2 default port of 4569 remoteASTport=4670 which is far enough from localASTport This port is created by rtpDir to receive audio packets from dextra client localDSTARport=7770 # This port is created by dextra_client software to
remoteDSTARport=9990

There are 4 configuration entries that have something to do with the sound card,

that require some explanation, insci, outsci, LatencyIN and LatencyOUT.

insci for INput Scound Card Index and outsci for OUTput Sound Card Index.

We have included a utility software in the package, called showcard that when you run it on a Linux machine, will output the following lines: Sample output from showcard on a Linux machine that has 2 sound cards installed. The first sound card has a name /dev/dsp and the second sound card has a name /dev/dsp1 The name is always at the end of each line.

INFO:Sound card devices not in use on this machine

SC Index 0: Rate=44100.000000, maxIn=16, maxOut=16, Low(in:0.011610,out:0.011610), High(in:0.046440,out: 0.046440) : /dev/dsp SC Index 1: Rate=44100.000000, maxIn=16, maxOut=16, Low(in:0.011610,out:0.011610), High(in:0.046440,out: 0.046440) : /dev/dsp1

. . .

... Other lines are ommited because we dont care about anything else that has a name that does NOT start with /dev/dsp

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Note: On Linux, showcard will only show the sound cards that are NOT in use.

On Windows, showcard.exe will show all the sound cards, even the ones that are in use.

We only need to look for lines that have a name like / dev/dsp for the first sound card installed, /dev/dsp1 for the second sound card installed and so on... Dont care about any other line. So, in linux we would set the following values in 5198.conf The line above says that "SC Index 0:" identifies the first sound card which has the name /dev/dsp, so use value 0 for insci and outsci. insci=0 outsci=0 If we wanted to use the second sound card, identified by "SC Index 1:" which has the name /dev/dsp1, we would set insci=1 outsci=1 Now for LatencyIN and LatencyOUT, there are a couple of numbers inside the parenthesis. For the sound card identified by /dev/dsp: The latency numbers are: Low(in:0.011610,out:0.011610) and High(in: 0.046440,out:0.046440) # use the Low values for latencyIN and LatencyOUT. LatencyIN=0.011610 LatencyOUT=0.011610 You may also use the High values for latencyIN and LatencyOUT. LatencyIN=0.046440 LatencyOUT=0.046440 On linux, the alsomixer software can be used to control the record and playback settings on the soundcard or use the aumix software. You may need to download the alsa-utils package.

For example: To configure the first sound card installed on Linux, we could use the program alsomixer like this: alsamixer -c 0 or alsamixer -c 1 Parameter 0 identifies /dev/dsp which is the first sound card and paramters 1 identifies /dev/dsp1 which is the second sound card The alsomixer program is included in the package alsoutils and it is a text-mode program. For GUI programs that run on the Desktop, you could use the program system-config-soundcard The program system-config-soundcard is included in the package system-config-soundcard Of course, there are other packages that you can use to configure the sound card on Linux. There is the program kmix which is one of the KDE desktop programs that can help you configure your sound card. kmix is included in the package kdemultimedia. For Windows, things are a little different because insci and outsci are never equal to each other. Here is sample output from program showcard.exe executed on a Windows machine. Run showcard.exe from a DOS terminal window, showcard.exe is not a GUI application, so its output scrolls off the screen very quickly if you try to execute it from the Desktop amd you will not be able to see its results.

INF0: The following sound cards are installed on this PC

SC 0: Rate=44100.000000, maxIn=2, maxOut=0, Low(in: 0.200000,out:0.200000), High(in:0.400000,out: 0.400000) :Microsoft Sound Mapper - Input SC 1: Rate=44100.000000,maxIn=2,maxOut=0, Low(in: 0.200000,out:0.200000), High(in:0.400000,out: 0.400000) :Creative Sound Blaster PCI SC 2: Rate=44100.000000,maxIn=2,maxOut=0, Low(in: 0.200000,out:0.200000), High(in:0.400000,out: 0.400000) :Xtreme Sound PCI Audio Device SC 3: Rate=44100.000000,maxIn=0,maxOut=2, Low(in: 0.200000,out:0.200000), High(in:0.400000,out: 0.400000) :Microsoft Sound Mapper - Output SC 4: Rate=44100.000000,maxIn=0,maxOut=2, Low(in: 0.200000,out:0.200000), High(in:0.400000,out: 0.400000) :Creative Sound Blaster PCI SC 5: Rate=44100.000000,maxIn=0,maxOut=2, Low(in: 0.200000,out:0.200000), High(in:0.400000,out: 0.400000) :Xtreme Sound PCI Audio Device To understand the above output, lets first forget the lines identified by "SC 0" and "SC 3". These are mappers. Mappers could also work. For example, looking at the above list, we could set insci=0 outsci=3 because "SC 0:" is the Input mapper and "SC 3:" is the output mapper. but sometimes mappers dont work or we get errors when using them. So, we could also use these values: insci=1 outsci=4

You will have to choose the insci and the outsci. On the above system we chose insci=1 and outsci=4. In other words, we chose "SB AudioPCI 64D Record" for insci and "SB AudioPCI 64D Playback" for outsci. On your system, it could be insci=1 and outsci=5, or insci=1 and outsci=3. In other words, the device name used for input and the device name used for output must be identical. You have to do the same analysis on your system. For Latency values, you would use these settings: LatencyIN=0.20 LatencyOUT=0.20 or you might use the high values LatencyIN=0.40 LatencyOUT=0.40 NOTE: If running the software with soundcard=no then insci and outsci numbers are not checked by the rtpDir software, and rtpDir will not try to open the sound card. Also, rtpDir will NOT open the sound card if the callsign that you are using to run rtpDir

STARTING rtpDir on Windows.

starts with *

This means you are running rtpDir as an Echolink link or repeater or as a PC user station or as an Echolink conference or as an IRLP reflector/Echolink conference. soundCard config option can be yes or no Open a DOS box. Change to the directory where rtpDir is installed. That directory is C:\rtpDir Execute the following (Type on the keyboard and press ENTER):

rtpDir.exe 5198.conf 5198.log rtpDir should initialize and appear on the screen within 5 seconds. If not, examine the contents of the file 5198.log using NOTEPAD fix the problem and re-try. If it appears, you can go ahead and create a batch file or a desktop icon or a shortcut. A simple Windows/Dos batch file 5198.bat is supplied. We recommend that you create a desktop icon on Windows that references the actual executable and pass it the required 2 parameters instead of creating a shortcut that refers to a batch file. A shortcut to a batch file on Windows will create that ugly looking DOS box, that sometimes it is difficult to get rid of. STARTING rtpDir on Linux, IRLP is NOT installed _____ This means you are running rtpDir as an Echolink link or repeater or as a PC user station or as an Echolink conference or as an IRLP reflector/Echolink conference. soundCard config option can be yes or no Make sure user id is root. Open a terminal window so you can type on the keyboard. Go to the directory where rtpDir is installed. That is /root/rtpDir Study the comments in the 5198.sh script and comment out the lines sleep, ispeaker and imike, then Type the following on the keyboard and press ENTER: ./5198.sh

rtpDir should initialize and appear on the screen within 5 seconds. If not, examine the contents of the file 5198.log using vi or emacs editor, fix the problem and re-try. For starting rtpDir tm on Linux, read the file rtpDir tm.txt posted on the yahoo group. STARTING rtpDir on Linux, IRLP is installed _____ NOTE: Some routers are configured to allow outbound connections only and block inbound connections. Make sure that your router allows inbound connects. otherwise IRLP may report that the connection has been established but the SDES request message will not arrive to your station and therefore you will have a "half-baked" connect which will not work in Echolink + IRLP mode. The same is true for Echolink connects also. This means you are running rtpDir in "Echolink + IRLP" mode. Make sure soundCard=no unless you have assigned one sound card(first/default sound card) for IRLP and another sound card for rtpDir. Make sure that you've installed IRLP under /home/irlp directory. We will assume that that you followed the steps in the section titled "Additional steps if you plan to run rtpDir in Echolink + IRLP mode". Make sure user id is root. Open a terminal window so you can type on the keyboard.

Start the IRLP node FIRST. Type the following from the keyboard and press ENTER: /home/irlp/custom/rc.irlp Start the rtpDir bridge LAST. Go to the directory where rtpDir is installed. That is /root/rtpDir Study the comments in the 5198.sh script and enable or disable the correct IRLP ports, then Type the following on the keyboard and press ENTER: ./5198.sh rtpDir should initialize and appear on the screen within 5 seconds. If not, examine the contents of the file 5198.log using vi or emacs editor, fix the problem and re-try. Also your local IRLP node will connect to the rtpDir bridge within a few seconds, usually after the initial Echolink list has been downloaded. Now a simple step to test "IRLP" node is required. Login in to your Linux box, open a terminal window and change to the directory /root/rtpDir where you have installed rtpDir bridge. Type the following at the keyboard and press ENTER ./gsmfile2ispeaker itisarptr.gsm 2174 The 2174 port is the same port as the rtpDir config variable localISPEAKERport is set to.(localISPEAKERport=2174) If you did not get any sound on the IRLP radio,

something is wrong with the setup. (You will not find gsmfile2ispeasker if you install rtpDir on Windows, since IRLP does not run on Windows.) The rtpDir config option playMsg must be yes(playMsg=yes) if you want to listen to "CONNECTED" and "DISCONNECTED" messages whenever a station(IRLP or Echolink) connects to your IRLP node. The rtpDir config option playCall must be ves(playCall=yes) if you want rtpDir to announce the callsign on your IRLP radio whenever a station(IRLP or Echolink) connects to your node. For starting rtpDir tm on Linux, read the file rtpDir tm.txt posted on the yahoo group. THINGS to NOTICE when running rtpDir/rtpDir bridge in "Echolink + IRLP" mode. ______ _____ --- You must first start the IRLP node before starting the rtpDir bridge. --- Your local IRLP node will remain connected to the rtpDir bridge. --- If you restart the IRLP node by executing the script /home/irlp/custom/rc.irlp while rtpDir bridge is running, restart the rtpDir bridge also. --- Operation of the rtpDir bridge has been tested only when user ID is root. We have not tested rtpDir bridge with a non-root user ID. DO NOT run rtpDir with the user ID of "repeater".

That user ID belongs to IRLP. These GUI options apply to rtpDir(GUI) for both Linux and Windows. Options for rtpDir(GUI) can be controlled from 5198.conf or the GUI menus. rtpDir tm has no GUI and all its options are in 5198 tm.conf MENU OPTIONS ================ FILE: Shutdown the program. Shutdown: Dont stop the program with a system close command or kill command. System events are not caught. Shut it down with File/Shutdown menu option. File/Shutdown also saves callsigns into private, bookmark, banned and admin files. A File/Shutdown will also send the RTCP BYE message to all connected Echolink stations so they can do their own clean-up. It will also stop all active IRLP calls. However, there is a need sometimes to stop the program without using the File/Shutdown command. That is when you have stations connected and you want to make a change in the config file but without losing the connected stations. In that case, stop the program WITHOUT using the File/Shutdown menu option. Make the change in the config file and restart the software. The connected stations will automatically reconnect to your station. There is a time limit though.

You can not wait more that a certain amount of time and expect the stations to reconnect automatically. IRLP starions do not reconnect.

LoginRefresh: Login(if not logged in), and download station list. Usually the Login and Refresh timers do that for you, but just in case you want to do it yourself. Also you have to do it yourself if you disabled the timers. See next 2 options.

Refresh Timer: How often to download the station list.

0 disables timer.

Login Timer: How often to login. 0 disables the timer.

SEARCH:

Exact searches are performed, except with the option "Find Any(partial match)" which loops thru all matched entries.

RTP:

Status: Shows if RX/TX thread is active. Sanity-Stats: It displays a few checks in the log window and also displays the stats. Stats

are reset according to RFC 3550 and

3551.

Stats for IRLP nodes are not included. Packet loss figures are reported per station connected to your station if that station complies with the RTP protocol. Some stations dont comply and you will not get all the figures. Dont execute this option often

when you're receiving or transmitting. Output from stats is as follows, just an example of both IRLP and Echolink stations connected: 062708 at 22:55:22:===== START OF Sanity-Stats ====== 062708 at 22:55:22:[gui:->IP_address,stn3249,IRLP] 062708 at 22:55:22: [gui:IP address, *NO3YNET*, (Conference [6/8])] 062708 at 22:55:22: [gui:IP_address,ast2167,Asterisk 062708 at 22:55:22:-----062708 at 22:55:22:*N03YNET*(IP address),R=node1,L=node2,not muted,not deaf,GSM,E,0 062708 at 22:55:22:SR Packet count=190942 062708 at 22:55:22:SR Byte count=25204344 062708 at 22:55:22:RR Packets lost=0 062708 at 22:55:22:-----062708 at 22:55:22:stn3249(IP address), not muted, not deaf,ADPCM,I,0 062708 at 22:55:22:ast2167(IP address), not muted, not deaf,LINEAR,A,0 062708 at 22:55:22:==== END OF Sanity-Stats ====== Some notes on stats: There are two parts to it, the GUI section and the VoIP section. The GUI section Each entry under the GUI section has an IP address, callsign and station name.

If you see an arrow just before the IP address then that station is transmitting.

The VoIP section

The VoIP section contains a little more info on the connected nodes.

node1 is the Echolink node number for the remote(R)
station.

node2 is the Echolink node number for the local(L)
station.

For IRLP stations the node number is in the callsign. For Asterisk stations the node number is in the callsign.

It will show if station is muted or marked as deaf. GSM, ADPCM, LINEAR is the codec being used by that station.

The number at the end of each line is the duplicate text message count.

E is for an Echolink node, I is for an IRLP node, A is for an Asterisk node.

SR is the Sender's Report. (from RFC3550, for Echolink nodes only)

RR is the Receiver's report. (from RFC3550, for Echolink nodes only)

Same information is generated by the remote text command .stats

CONTROL:

Here you connect, disconnect stations mute, unmute, ban and mark stations as deaf. Muting a station drops the audio packets at the UDP/IP level. If Audio checkbox is not checked it will mute your sound card, but does not drop

incoming audio packets.

The Abort_Connect_EL option will abort a connection timer

in progress for Echolink stations only.

You can NOT abort connect requests made to IRLP stations.

There is always a chance and a very good one that the remote station will receive the connect request and may

connect to your station after you abort the connect timer.

In either case, you can initiate

connections to other stations without waiting for conxTimeout to expire. There is a side-effect to

aborting

a connection timer in progress. A connect request may arrive from that station later but it will not be known if your station initiated the connect request or not, so the welcome text message or welcome audio message may or may not be transmitted depending on your station initiating other connections since you aborted that first connection timer. Chat text from a muted station is not blocked. Chat text to a deaf station is not blocked. Marking a station as deaf, will disallow transmitting audio to that station. It is useful if you want to transmit to certain stations only. The PlayBack option will open up a pop-up window and allow you to select an audio(*.gsm) file to be selected for playback or testing. *Asterisk* gsm sound files can also be played. These are located in /var/lib/asterisk/ sounds and have a gsm extension. When you make your selection and click OK, the gsm audio file will immediately start playing to the sound card if no audio is being received from connected stations. Audio will also be transmitted to the local Echolink RF node and it will key up the Echolink radio. While the audio is being played to the sound card, it will also be transmitted to the connected stations including your local IRLP node, all IRLP connections and all Asterisk connections. If while you're playing back, audio is being received by a connected station, then playback will be suspended. It is a good idea to mute all conencted stations so that

the playback continues without interruption.

This is usually done when you are playing back ARRL news

or NASA news.

Connect_EL will connect to Echolink stations.

If accessIRLP=yes,

Connect_IRLPstn will connect to IRLP stnXXXX stations.

Connect_IRLPref will connect to IRLP refXXX reflectors.

If accessIRLP=no,

the Connect_IRLPstn and Connect_IRLPref menu options are disabled.

Make sure that /home/irlp/custom/environment file uses GSM, ADPCM or UNCOMP codec.

You can disconnect the Asterisk nodes directly connected to the asterisk driver node.

For this reason, the Control/AsteriskCmd menu option was added.

To connect/disconnect to/from D-star nodes, the menu option Control/DstarCmd was added.

BOOKMARKS, PRIVATE, BANNED:

Here you add stations to specific lists. A boomark callsign is displayed only when station is logged on. You should not add a bogus callsign. Banned/AllowCallsByPrefix will allow only callsigns having a specific "prefix". Use that for country selection.

Admin:

Add admin callsigns and save them. New Name and New QTH will allow a new name and/or a new QTH to be set while program is running. The New Name update is done

immediately but the New QTH update is done at the next login. HELP: Server msg is the last message received from the server when you did a full compressed download. Login msgs are messages generated while attempting to do Login and/or differential compressed downloads. CHECKBOXES(bottom of screen, on the left) _____ Audio: Check it to mute sound card, Uncheck it to unmute sound card LO: Listen Only. Marks your station as "Listen Only" on the connected station info list. How quickly you see [listen only] next to your callsign is up to the remote node. Usually when station Info/Conference info text is updated. bp: Sounds off the PC's speaker on rcvd text. It sounds weak on Windows. stamp: Adds timestamp to received text. Timestamp is blocked on outgoing messages. trc: Trace. Enables info/errors to be written into the log file. NSM: (N)ew (S)tations are (M)uted. Audio packets from muted stations are dropped. Useful while broadcasting ARRL news or ISS news.

TX/RX: tx/rx indicators.

-R: Allow repeater connects.

siRX: Station Info Receive.

Allow the connected station's info to be received.

Uncheck it when you run it as a CONFERENCE.

BA: Bridge Audio.

Enables the audio built-in bridge. If checked, any incoming audio from any station connected to you will be re-transmitted to all the other non-deaf stations connected to you. If not checked, incoming audio is not retransmitted to other stations. When you transmit, it does not matter if it is checked or not checked. Your audio will be transmitted to all non-deaf stations connected to you.

- BT: Bridge Text. Same as "BA" but it refers to text messages only.
- DL: It detects simple conference loops and it will mark the offending station(s) as deaf and mute.

NSD:

(N)ew (S)tations are marked as (D)eaf. Stations marked this way will not receive any audio.

- PTT: Check it once to TX, uncheck it to RX
- -L: Allow Link connects
- busy: Mark your station BUSY. Your station will be marked BUSY on

the next login.

siQTH: Display Station In QTH. If NOT checked, it keeps the node you are connected to, private. If checked, then your QTH is set to "In Conference ..." when you are connected to a node. It has no meaning when running in CONFERENCE mode. prv: Private. Only stations listed in Private list are allowed to connect to you. CNF: If checked, then your station is identified as a CONFerence to other stations. Some remote conferences will not allow you to connect to them if you are a conference yourself. In that case, uncheck CNF, wait 10 seconds and reconnect. If not checked, some Echolink stations replace the callsign of the original trasmitting station with the callsign of the connected station in the text chat box. In most cases, leave CNF unchecked. VOX: Operate the software using vox, instead of PTT. Also used to notify the software when audio arrived at the sound IN jack of the sound card. It works with the vox threshold. "Blue Bar": audio strength indicator. REC: Record OSO's The generated file contains compressed(GSM) audio data, and no GSM header.

The program "playgsm" can playback the file. "slider": Sets a threshold for vox.

The 4 Windows on the right of the screen:

Top left: Connected stations to your station

Top right: The remote station's Information for each connected station. IRLP or Asterisk nodes do not send any station information. rtpDir has no control over that and does not save this info to a file. You can copy/paste it if you like. Some stations transmit this info during a QSO or every so often. You can stop it from coming in by unchecking the siRX checkbox. The station info changes when new station info is received.

Middle: Screen log. If Trace is enabled, the screen log is saved to the log file.

Bottom: TX/RX received chat text. Just below that: user text for transmission.

REMOTE COMMANDS FOR ADMIN CALLSIGNS

To control the bridge remotely, certain text commands can be executed against the bridge. There are 2 ways to do this:

The easy way:

Add the admin callsign to rtpDir bridge using Admin/Add

menu option. Only the admin callsigns are allowed to execute remote text commands. Connect another rtpDir software or the the Echolink software to rtpDir bridge as an admin callsign. Now type a command in the text chat window. The command must be given in lowercase. If a command requires a callsign, enter the callsign in uppercase if it is an Echolink callsign, in lowercase if it is an IRLP node# or Asterisk node. The following commands are understood by the bridge: (Commands were changed to accomodate sysop control scripts). All commands return responses to the admin user. WARNING: There is one command that you should not use. That command is ".irlp failure". It is used by the rptDir_IRLP_failure script which is called by the following IRLP scripts: /home/irlp/scripts/call /home/irlp/scripts/connect to reflector /home/irlp/scripts/experimental call /home/irlp/scripts/on /home/irlp/scripts/on_to_remote /home/irlp/scripts/control It notifies the rtpDir bridge that the IRLP connect call has failed and that it should initiate clean-up without waiting for conxTimeout timer to expire. NOTE: The commands .cstn, .cref and .irlp_failure will not be processed by rtpDir bridge if accessIRLP=no Connect to an Echolink station by callsign

example: .connect *ECHOTEST*

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Connect to an Echolink station by node number
example: .cnode 9999
Connect to an IRLP node:
example: .cstn stnXXXX
example: .cref refXXXX
   where XXXX is the IRLP node#
WARNING: Disconnect from IRLP first before you execute
cstn or cref commands,
         otherwise IRLP gets confused.
Disconnect from a station
example: .disconnect *ECHOTEST*
         .kick *ECHOTEST*
         .dnode 9999
example: .disconnect stnXXXX
         .kick stnXXXX
         .dstn XXXX
example: .disconnect refXXXX
         .kick refXXXX
         .dref XXXX
   where XXXX is the IRLP node#
Disconnect all stations
.disconnect all
.kick all
.dall
Disconnect the IRLP node(s) only
.disconnect irlp
.kick irlp
.dirlp
Disconnect Echolink stations only
.disconnect el
.kick el
.del
Send a command to an Asterisk node
.cast *32000
.cast *12000
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.dstar number where number points to a D-star node inside the file dstar5198.txt The number starts with 1. Special case: If number is 0, rtpDir will disconnect from the dstar node. Administer the admin list .allow list .allow add *ECHOTEST* .allow delete *ECHOTEST* Show who is logged in as admin .admins Disable non-IRLP part of rtpDir An incoming IRLP station can still make it thru if accessIRLP=yes .disable Enable non-IRLP part of rtpDir .enable Enable IRLP part of rtpDir .irlpon Disable IRLP part of rtpDir .irlpoff Lookup a station example: .lookup *ECHOTEST* Ban stations .ban list .ban add *ECHOTEST* .ban delete *ECHOTEST* Mute stations: show who is muted: .mute

mute all stations: .mute -a mute a station: .mute ref9990 .mute *ECHOTEST* mute talker: .mute . Unmute stations unmute all stations: .unmute -a .unmute *ECHOTEST* .unmute ref9990 Mark stations as deaf: Show "deaf" stations: .deaf mark all stations deaf: .deaf -a mark one station deaf: .deaf *ECHOTEST* .deaf ref9990 mark talking station as deaf: .deaf . "Un-deaf" stations undeaf all stations: .undeaf -a .undeaf *ECHOTEST* .undeaf ref9990 Mark the dstar station DEAF .dstarDeaf Remove the "DEAF" mark from the dstar station .dstarUndeaf Send a text message to all connected stations: .message test123 .save It saves changes to the 4 files(Books, Private, Banned, admin) .cnfo It turns on CNF checkbox .cnff

It tunrs off CNF checkbox .busy on .busy off .version .refresh .uptime .stats Abort a connection timer in progress: .abort .users .shutdown set bridge audio on: .brvo set bridge audio off: .brvf set bridge text on: .brto set bridge text off: .brtf set NSM on: .nsmo set NSM off: .nsmf set NSD on: set NSD off: .nsdo .nsdf enable detection of conference loops: .dclo disable detection of conference loops: .dclf .record The record command is a toggle. It records into rtpDir_recorded.gsm from all connected nodes. (Asterisk, IRLP, Echolink). Use the command once to start recording, use it again to stop recording. If you forget to stop recording, you will run out of space.

.play The play command is a toggle. It plays back the file rtpDir_recorded.gsm to all connected nodes, Asterisk, IRLP, Echolink. You can execute again to stop playing or let it finish playing back the whole file/announcement. .conx The conx command report nodes connected. Note: Average size of a recorded QSO is 20 KB per 10 seconds. Name format of a QSO file: rtpDir recorded.gsm You may playback that file with playgsm. playgsm will use the default sound card to playback the file. The hard way(using netcat utility software) This method is used mostly for scripting to control the rtpDir bridge without being connected to it. It is also used by IRLP when a dtmf sequence is received from the IRLP radio. The netcat(nc) utility software is used in this case,

which it is mostly found on Linux/Unix systems, although there are versions of it for DOS/Windows. Also in this case, the rtpDir bridge will

accept the commands sent to it this way, only if the netcat utility software was started on the same machine that the rtpDir bridge is running on.

In other words, in order to use this method, you
will have to log into the system,
using the ssh tool which is a safe and secure way
to gain access to the system and then run
the netcat utility software.
There are ssh versions also for DOS/Windows.
One that comes to mind is PuTTY.

After you've logged into the machine using ssh or PuTTY, Start the netcat utility software like this: nc -u -p <txtCmdReplyPort> 127.0.0.1 <port> OR, if you do not want to get a response from rtpDir and only interested in sending commands to it then start it like this: nc -u 127.0.0.1 <port> where <txtCmdReplyPort> is the value of txtCmdReplyPort found inside the 5198.conf and <port> is the value of port found inside the 5198.conf file. Usually, you can execute the netcat utility software like this: (assuming you have not changed the default values inside 5198.conf) nc -u -p 6500 127.0.0.1 5198 OR, if not interested in rtpDir's responses to your commands: nc -u 127.0.0.1 5198 At this point the netcat software is waiting for commands. The remote text commands in this case have the following format: o.<command> where o is just the letter o, which means you're sending text to the bridge and not audio and <command> is one of the commands listed under the section "The easy way" NOTF:

For the power user:

Each command can be put into a script that can be called from /home/irlp/custom/custom decode file during IRLP operation while rtpDir is running in "Echolink + IRLP" mode and a dtmf is received from the IRLP radio. First, add a dtmf decode line to the file /home/irlp/ custom/custom decode. Here is a line in the file /home/irlp/custom/ custom decode that forces the execution of the script file rtpDir EL con whenever the IRLP radio user presses dtmf B3 plus some more dtmfs to connect to an Echolink node. # example B39999 will connect to Echolink node 9999, which is ***ECHOTEST*** if [\${1#B3} != \$1]; then rtpDir EL con \${1#B3}; exit 1 ; fi After you've added the above line to /home/irlp/custom/ custom decode file, create the script file rtpDir_EL_con and place it under the /home/irlp/scripts directory. The following are the contents of the script file rtpDir EL con ______ _____ #!/bin/bash rm -rf /tmp/rtpDir EL con.nc touch /tmp/rtpDir_EL_con.nc echo "o.cnode \$1" > /tmp/rtpDir_EL_con.nc

port 5198 is the Echolink port

nc -w 2 -u 127.0.0.1 5198 < /tmp/rtpDir_EL_con.nc</pre> # Last line must always be: exit 1, other wise IRLP may get "confused" exit 1 ______ _____ =================== and finally, set correct execute permissions for IRLP user repeater while still logged on as root, by executing the following commands, while you are in / home/irlp/scripts directory. chown repeater:repeater rtpDir_EL_con chmod +x rtpDir EL con chmod o-rx rtpDir EL con Examples: List the connected users: o.users Request a connection to an Echolink station by callsign: o.connect *ECHOTEST* Request a connection to an Echolink station by node number: o.cnode 9999 Request a connection to an IRLP station: o.cstn stnXXXX Request a connection to an IRLP reflector: o.cref refXXXX where XXXX is the IRLPnode# WARNING: Disconnect from IRLP first before you execute cstn or cref commands, otherwise IRLP gets confused. Disable Echolink: o.disable Enable Echolink: o.enable Shut rtpDir down: o.shutdown Start/stop recording: o.record (Records into rtpDir_recorded.gsm file

Use it once to start recording, use it again to stop recording. If you forget to stop recording, you will run out of disk space). Playback a file: o.play (plays back the file rpDir_recorded.gsm) Get the version: o.version Find out when bridge last started: o.uptime Get the statistics: o.stats Report connected nodes: o.conx Disconnect an Echolink station: o.disconnect *ECHOTEST* 0R o.kick *ECHOTEST* 0R o.dnode 9999 Disconnect the IRLP node: o.disconnect stnXXXX o_kick stnXXXX 0R o.dstn XXXX 0R Disconnect an IRLP reflector: o.disconnect ref9990 0R o.kick ref9990 0R o.dref 9990 Disconnect the IRLP node(s) only: o.disconnect irlp o.kick irlp 0R 0R o.dirlp Disconnect Echolink nodes only: o.disconnect el o.kick el 0R 0R o.del Disconnect all stations: o.kick all o.dall 0R Disconnect from the dstar node: o.dstar 0 Disconnect and connect to a new dstar node: o.dstar number

Enable/Disable IRLP: Send a text message to all connected stations: o.message test123 Of course, IRLP nodes will not receive anything. and so on... When you're done with sending commands to rtpDir, Hit Ctrl-C on your keyboard. (Control-C) OPERATION =======

(where smallest number is 1)

When the program is started successfully, you should see the status line(at the bottom of the screen) with: Logged in OK..., and soon after that it should say: Downloading station list....Download finished. Menu option "Help/Login msgs", will inform you if something went wrong. After 5 seconds or so(30 seconds for dial-up users), the list of stations will show under Conferences/Repeaters/Links/.... The initial download is a full compressed download, any download after that, is a differential compressed download, unless the server went down or you lost your connection. Operating as a PC STATION

Start the software. Let it download the list of stations. Set the 2 timers(Login and Refresh).

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Choose a tab: Confs, Rptrs, Links, Users, Books.
Double-click on a station.
Choose "Connect".
Wait till the station is connected
   or the connect timer expires.
   if not connected by then, you get a TIME-OUT message
   in the status line.
Other reasons you can't connect:
   remote station is Busy, ...
Set Busy(Check) if you dont
   want another user connecting to you
   while you are on a QSO.
Operating as a bridge/Conference
Start the software.
Let it download the list of stations.
Set the 2 timers(Login and Refresh).
Set BA ON and BT ON.
Set prv ON or OFF.
Set busy OFF.
Operating as a Link with DTMF commands
The following DTMFs can be sent from a mobile
radio station or HT with a DTMF keypad:
These are dtmfs coming from the Echolink radio.
For dtmfs coming from the IRLP radio,
inspect the file /home/irlp/custom/custom decode.
For Asterisk DTMF commands to rtpDir bridge,
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examine the file 5198.conf, they are configured using the configuration variable: ast_dtmf_cmd=

- status command. Voice response can be one of: "CONNECTED", "NOTBUSY"

disconnect command to disconnect last connected station.

Voice response is "DISCONNECTED", "NOTBUSY".

- report who is on top.
 That is usually the last connected station or the station active in a QSO.
 Voice response can be one of: "NOTBUSY" or the callsign will be announced.
- disconnect command to disconnect all stations
 Voice reponse is "DISCONNECTED".
- enable/disable NSM Voice response is "ENABLED" or "DISABLED"
- enable/disable NSD
 Voice response is "ENABLED" or "DISABLED"
- enable/disable detection of conference loops.
 Voice response is "ENABLED" or "DISABLED"
- enable Bridge Audio on/off
 Voice response is "ENABLED" or "DISABLED"
- busy command toggles busy on/off.
 Voice response is "BUSY" or "NOTBUSY".
- Abort a connection
 Voice response is "ENABLED" or
 "ERROR" if a connection timer is active on an IRLP station.
- disable command to disable the system.
 Stops login timer, stops refresh timer, sets Busy and disconnects users.
 Voice response is "DISABLED".
- enable command to enable the system. Restarts timers(login and refresh) and unchecks Busy. Voice response is "ENABLED".
- shutdown to shutdown the system.

The software is 100% event driven, so it is possible that the shutdown action may occur before it has the chance to send the voice response "SHUTDOWN". - connect by CALLSIGN or by node Voice response is one of: "NOT FOUND" if station not in the list "ERROR" if the station you're trying to connect to, did not pass the tests, explained below. "CONNECTING TO..." if a connect request was initiated. "TIMEOUT" if the connect request timed out. "BUSY" if remote station is busy "ACCESS DENIED" if remote station has disallowed access. "CONNECTED" if a connection is made. disconnect by callsign Voice response is one of: "NOT FOUND" or "DISCONNECTED" "NOT BUSY". - Any other DTMF string is invalid and you will get the "ERROR" voice response. The voice response "ERROR" requires some explanation. You will receive "ERROR" under these circumstances: - Trying to connect to your self. - Trying to connect to a node that is already connected to you. - Connection is already in progress. - You've reached capacity of your node. - You had previously set your station to Busy. - You are trying to connect to a banned station. - You have set your station as private and trying to connect to a node that is not listed in your private list.

- You are trying to connect to a node identified as -R or -L but
 R or -L connections are not allowed to your node.
- The node you are trying to connect to, is assigned to a CALLSIGN with a prefix that is not included in the prefix list. (Country code validation).
- You're trying to abort a connect request that was made to an IRLP station.
- The DTMF command you've sent is unknown.
- The DTMF command is too short.

NOTES

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--- Some of the functionality has been removed from
rtpDir bridge

when running it as an IRLP reflector.

For example, an IRLP reflector will not initiate connect requests

to IRLP nodes. An IRLP reflector can not really request that an

IRLP station disconnect permanently from the system, the best

it can do is, disconnect the IRLP station temporarily but within

7 seconds the remote IRLP station can re-connect unless it has

been banned from the reflector.

--- If a station requesting to connect, has an IP address that matches

one of the stations already connected, that new station will be

allowed to connect, but it will be marked as DEAF & MUTE.

This will be forced even if the new station's callsign or node#

does not match any of the connected stations.

--- When running rtpDir as Echolink + IRLP,

you will see your own IRLP node on the CONNECTED screen

along with the remote IRLP node.

--- Multi-conferencing is built-in and always enabled but check the meaning of the CNF checkbox on the screen. --- If at least one station is connected to your station, then your name will be set to "(<CALLSIGN>)" if one of the connected stations to your station is transmitting while you remain connected to a station or conference, where <CALLSIGN> is the station's callsign that is transmitting. This is so that other stations will know who is transmitting from your station and is also used for detecting conference loops. --- If you get a message "Could not start rtpDir,error ...", one or both 5198,5199 ports are locked or in use by another software. Run netstat on Unix to find out which software has locked that port. On DOS, seek the advice of an expert. Or it maybe that you are NOT using 0.0.0.0 for myIP address and the machine is behind a router/firewall. Or the getlist(getlist_win) program is running. Stop it. --- If you get the message "Failed to create IRLP data/ control socket" or "Failed to bind IRLP data/control socket", then some IRLP port(s) have been locked by another software. The IRLP ports that rtpDir will try to use are listed in the rtpDir configuration file as irlpPort. (irlpPort + 1) will also be used by rtpDir. Most probably you have not made the required changes as listed in this domument above under the section

"Additional steps if you plan to run rtpDir as Echolink + IRLP".

Or it maybe that you are NOT using 0.0.0.0 for myIRLP_IP address

and the machine is behind a router/firewall. --- If you get the message "Trying to open SoundCard device"

but not "SoundCard device opened OK" immediately
after it,

then the sound card device is not configured right and program may hang trying to open it.

On Linux, you must re-configure the sound card

using the ALSA utilities. That will certainly fix

the

problem.

On DOS, remove the sound card, look at it, put it back

and pray it will work next time.

--- If you get the message "socket still trying to connect...restarting"

or "connect failed,..." with codes like 10060,110(timeout),

10061,111(connection refused), then one of the servers in

the configuration file is busy with a lot of requests from other stations.

In this case, rtpDir will try the next server in the configuration file.

If you get the code 10035,11=try again/would block,

the station Info text was not sent and that is a temporary

condition, it will be re-sent immediately after that.

In general, we are not translating error codes to message text.

Depending on the Operating system/development tools that

you have installed, consult the file errno.h on Linux which points

to /usr/include/asm-generic/errno-base.h and
/usr/include/asm-generic/errno.h and
on Windows winerror.h or winbase.h or some other include file

that points to another file which translates codes to message text.

--- If you get the message "gsm_decode failed...", you
have

interference from another close-by device or the connection

is somehow bad or parts of the message got distorted during transfer.

You might still get good audio from the

remote station or not. Either way the error will go away

or try to re-connect.

--- If you get the message "Download is active...please
wait",

rtpDir is using the getlist program to

download the list of stations and another request to download became active.

Nothing to worry about, the download will

proceed normally or it will time out and the next server

will be used.

Download or Login requests will not be allowed to pile up.

--- Login/Download failures are always restarted on the next server

in the configuration file.

--- Connecting from a mobile or HT, please key up for 2-3 seconds.

before TXing.

--- No log file rollovers yet, disable the trc checkbox
if you

do not want the log file to get bigger, or not interested in

capturing daily activity of rtpDir bridge to a log file on disk.

The log file on disk is 5198.log

--- If a user is rude or not following part 97 rules, you have a choice of

banning(no connects are allowed) or muting(no audio

packets from that source).

--- If EL_login=no, this assumes that you want to run a
private

network, so no Echolink logins/downloads

are allowed and you will have to prepare the local file

stnFile.txt and distribute it to the users of the
private network.

In this case, you can choose any port value you like

in the configuration file.

--- If soundCard=no, then the serial port is not opened either,

so no radio control will be attempted.

--- If running rtpDir with a *CONFERENCE* callsign the sound card device will not be opened.

--- If the DNS nameservers point to invalid IP addresses,

program may hang when trying to do File/Shutdown or it may hang trying to access the Echolink

servers.

--- The software getlist_win or getlist for Linux systems downloads/decompresses the station list

after a successful login.

The temporary compressed file can be found in the QSOdir,

with file name rtpDir_stns_<port>.tmp

A zlib utility, zpipe, can be used to decompress the file.

Run zpipe like this:

zpipe rtpDir_stns_5198.tmp

zlib was developed by the authors of zlib software.

File/LoginTimer & File/RefreshTimer menu options

If you have not logged on, in the last 7-8 minutes, EchoLink will drop you off

the list and any downloads after that will fail. The download will fail and you will get the message: (along with bogus IPaddress of 127.0.0.1 and bogus Node numbers). ****** NOT LOGGED IN Because of a system problem, you are not currently logged in. Please wait several minutes for the server to reset. +++ ****** That is from our own observations. So use a LoginTimer of no more than 7-8 minutes, 6 is best, if you can. The Refresh Timer is optional, you can set it to 0 to disable any downloads in case you want to do the manual download using the menu option File/LoginRefresh. If you prefer to have automatic downloads, dont set it to a small number, set it to 5 so that the differential/compressed download would work the best. The differential/compressed download will only bring in new stations or stations that changed their location info or IP address since your previous download and any stations that logged off the system will be dropped off the list. It takes up to 5 seconds for full compressed download and up to 2-3 seconds for differential/compressed download. We were informed that Echolink will drop older methods of downloading and only the compressed methods of downloading will be valid in the future. Creating your own CW ID announcement _____ To create a gsm file that contains CW code run cwqsm like this: cwqsm -w 7 -f 200 -e < cwid.txt where cwid.txt is the English message text. cwgsm will create a file cwid.gsm You can play back the file with playgsm.

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