

# Quimby

## A Bluetooth-USB HID Proxy

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# Problem

- I want to use a specific Bluetooth keyboard
- I *also* want to navigate my bootloader

# Solution: HID Proxy

Run the Bluetooth stack on a USB dongle.



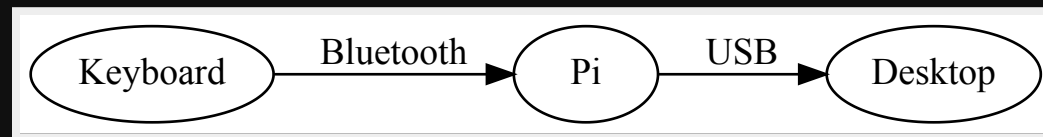
# Issues

- Expensive
- Often end-of-life
- Unsupported

# Solution: Linux

- The `Pi Zero W' has USB OTG.
- It can present as a device.
- Uses the kernel's `USB Gadget' interface.

# Plan



# Workthrough

1. Boot Pi
2. Setup  
Bluetooth
3. Setup USB OTG
4. Forward events
5. Load at boot

# Boot

/boot/config.txt

```
dtoverlay=dwc2
```

/etc/modules-load.d/quimby

```
dwc2  
libcomposite
```



# Bluetooth

```
CONTROLLER="00:11:22:33:44:55"
```

```
DEVICE="66:77:88:99:aa:bb"
```

```
bluetoothctl -- power on
```

```
bluetoothctl -- select ${CONTROLLER}
```

```
bluetoothctl -- pair ${DEVICE}
```

```
bluetoothctl -- connect ${DEVICE}
```

```
bluetoothctl -- trust ${DEVICE}
```

# USB

Use `ConfigFS` to define the USB parameters send to the host.

# ConfigFS

/sys/kernel/config/usb\_gadget/

```
`-- quimby
  |-- UDC
  |-- bDeviceClass
  |-- bDeviceProtocol
  |-- bDeviceSubClass
  |-- bMaxPacketSize0
  |-- bcdDevice
  |-- bcdUSB
  |-- configs
  |   |-- c.1
  |       |-- MaxPower
  |       |-- bmAttributes
  |       |-- hid.usb0 -> ../../../../../../usb_gadget/quimby/functio
  |       |-- hid.usb1 -> ../../../../../../usb_gadget/quimby/functio
  |       |-- strings
  |           |-- 0x0409
```

# Success!

journalctf -f

```
usb 1-5.1.2: USB disconnect, device number 9
xhci_hcd 0000:02:00.0: WARN Set TR Deq Ptr cmd failed due to inco
xhci_hcd 0000:02:00.0: WARN Set TR Deq Ptr cmd failed due to inco
usb 1-5.1.2: new high-speed USB device number 10 using xhci_hcd
usb 1-5.1.2: New USB device found, idVendor=1d6b, idProduct=0104,
usb 1-5.1.2: New USB device strings: Mfr=1, Product=2, SerialNumb
usb 1-5.1.2: Product: Virtual Keyboard
usb 1-5.1.2: Manufacturer: Quimby
usb 1-5.1.2: SerialNumber: fedcba9876543210
input: Quimby Virtual Keyboard as [...]
hid-generic 0003:1D6B:0104.000D: input,hidraw5: USB HID v1.01 Key
```

# Event Forwarding

Trivial Test: Print `e`

```
echo -ne "\0\0\x8\0\0\0\0\0" > /dev/hidg0
```

# Useful Event Forwarding

```
src = open ("/dev/input/event0")
dst = open ("/dev/hidg0")

while event in src:
    hid_code = translate (event.scancode)
    packet = build_packet (hid_code)
    send_packet(dst, packet)
```

# Bootup

- Bluetooth
- systemd
- udev

# Bluetooth

/etc/bluetooth/main.conf

```
AutoEnable=true
```



# systemd

/usr/lib/systemd/system/quimby.service

## [Unit]

```
Description=Quimby Input Forwarder  
Requires=bluetooth.service
```

## [Service]

```
Type=simple  
ExecStartPre=/usr/local/bin/quimby-setup quimby  
ExecStart=/usr/local/bin/quimby-relay /dev/input/event0 /dev/hidg  
ExecStop=/usr/local/bin/quimby-cleanup quimby
```

# udev

/etc/udev/rules.d/quimby.rules

```
ACTION=="add", \
SUBSYSTEM=="input", \
KERNEL=="event0", \
TAG+="systemd", \
ENV{SYSTEMD_WANTS}="quimby.service"
```

# TODO

- More reliable setup/teardown
- Hardcode fewer paths
- Support multiple devices

# Questions?

YMMV; <https://gitlab.com/dcro/quimby>