

Installation and configuration reminder for my x230Tablet laptop

## Overview

I "enhanced" my Lenovo x230 Laptop with a Crucial M4 256 GB Harddrive in mSata format and 16GB

RAM in case 😊.

I intend to use this SSD as main OS partitions (C:\ / ), the original 500GB HD will be for swap/var/home partitions (see underneath).

Here's the output of lspci

```
00:00.0 Host bridge: Intel Corporation 3rd Gen Core processor DRAM Controller (rev 09)
00:02.0 VGA compatible controller: Intel Corporation 3rd Gen Core processor Graphics Controller (rev 09)
00:14.0 USB controller: Intel Corporation 7 Series/C210 Series Chipset Family USB xHCI Host Controller (rev 04)
00:16.0 Communication controller: Intel Corporation 7 Series/C210 Series Chipset Family MEI Controller #1 (rev 04)
00:16.3 Serial controller: Intel Corporation 7 Series/C210 Series Chipset Family KT Controller (rev 04)
00:19.0 Ethernet controller: Intel Corporation 82579LM Gigabit Network Connection (rev 04)
00:1a.0 USB controller: Intel Corporation 7 Series/C210 Series Chipset Family USB Enhanced Host Controller #2 (rev 04)
00:1b.0 Audio device: Intel Corporation 7 Series/C210 Series Chipset Family High Definition Audio Controller (rev 04)
00:1c.0 PCI bridge: Intel Corporation 7 Series/C210 Series Chipset Family PCI Express Root Port 1 (rev c4)
00:1c.1 PCI bridge: Intel Corporation 7 Series/C210 Series Chipset Family PCI Express Root Port 2 (rev c4)
00:1c.2 PCI bridge: Intel Corporation 7 Series/C210 Series Chipset Family PCI Express Root Port 3 (rev c4)
00:1d.0 USB controller: Intel Corporation 7 Series/C210 Series Chipset Family USB Enhanced Host Controller #1 (rev 04)
00:1f.0 ISA bridge: Intel Corporation QM77 Express Chipset LPC Controller (rev 04)
00:1f.2 SATA controller: Intel Corporation 7 Series Chipset Family 6-port SATA Controller [AHCI mode] (rev 04)
00:1f.3 SMBus: Intel Corporation 7 Series/C210 Series Chipset Family SMBus Controller (rev 04)
02:00.0 System peripheral: Ricoh Co Ltd MMC/SD Host Controller (rev 07)
03:00.0 Network controller: Intel Corporation Centrino Ultimate-N 6300 (rev 3e)
```

Here's the output of lsusb

```
Bus 003 Device 002: ID 8087:0024 Intel Corp. Integrated Rate Matching Hub
```

```
Bus 004 Device 002: ID 8087:0024 Intel Corp. Integrated Rate Matching Hub
Bus 001 Device 001: ID 1d6b:0002 Linux Foundation 2.0 root hub
Bus 002 Device 001: ID 1d6b:0003 Linux Foundation 3.0 root hub
Bus 003 Device 001: ID 1d6b:0002 Linux Foundation 2.0 root hub
Bus 004 Device 001: ID 1d6b:0002 Linux Foundation 2.0 root hub
Bus 003 Device 003: ID 147e:2020 Upek TouchChip Fingerprint Coprocessor (WBF
advanced mode)
Bus 003 Device 004: ID 0a5c:21e6 Broadcom Corp. BCM20702 Bluetooth 4.0
[ThinkPad]
Bus 004 Device 003: ID 056a:00e6 Wacom Co., Ltd
```

Here's the output of `cpuinfo`

```
processor      : 0
vendor_id     : GenuineIntel
cpu family    : 6
model         : 58
model name    : Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-3320M CPU @ 2.60GHz
stepping      : 9
microcode     : 0x16
cpu MHz       : 1200.000
cache size   : 3072 KB
physical id   : 0
siblings      : 4
core id       : 0
cpu cores     : 2
apicid        : 0
initial apicid : 0
fpu           : yes
fpu_exception : yes
cpuid level   : 13
wp            : yes
flags         : fpu vme de pse tsc msr pae mce cx8 apic sep mtrr pge mca cmov
pat pse36 clflush dts acpi mmx fxsr sse sse2 ss ht tm pbe syscall nx rdtscp
lm constant_tsc arch_perfmon pebs bts rep_good nopl xtopology nonstop_tsc
aperfmpperf eagerfpu pni pclmulqdq dtes64 monitor ds_cpl vmx smx est tm2
ssse3 cx16 xtpr pdcm pcid sse4_1 sse4_2 x2apic popcnt tsc_deadline_timer aes
xsave avx f16c rdrand lahf_lm ida arat epb xsaveopt pln pts dtherm
tpr_shadow vnmi flexpriority ept vpid fsgsbase smep erms
bogomips     : 5189.89
clflush size  : 64
cache_alignment : 64
address sizes : 36 bits physical, 48 bits virtual
power management:

processor      : 1
vendor_id     : GenuineIntel
cpu family    : 6
model         : 58
model name    : Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-3320M CPU @ 2.60GHz
stepping      : 9
```

```
microcode : 0x16
cpu MHz : 1200.000
cache size : 3072 KB
physical id : 0
siblings : 4
core id : 0
cpu cores : 2
apicid : 1
initial apicid : 1
fpu : yes
fpu_exception : yes
cpuid level : 13
wp : yes
flags : fpu vme de pse tsc msr pae mce cx8 apic sep mtrr pge mca cmov
pat pse36 clflush dts acpi mmx fxsr sse sse2 ss ht tm pbe syscall nx rdtscp
lm constant_tsc arch_perfmon pebs bts rep_good nopl xtopology nonstop_tsc
aperfmpperf eagerfpu pni pclmulqdq dtes64 monitor ds_cpl vmx smx est tm2
ssse3 cx16 xtpr pdcm pcid sse4_1 sse4_2 x2apic popcnt tsc_deadline_timer aes
xsave avx f16c rdrand lahf_lm ida arat epb xsaveopt pln pts dtherm
tpr_shadow vnmi flexpriority ept vpid fsgsbase smep erms
bogomips : 5189.89
clflush size : 64
cache_alignment : 64
address sizes : 36 bits physical, 48 bits virtual
power management:

processor : 2
vendor_id : GenuineIntel
cpu family : 6
model : 58
model name : Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-3320M CPU @ 2.60GHz
stepping : 9
microcode : 0x16
cpu MHz : 1200.000
cache size : 3072 KB
physical id : 0
siblings : 4
core id : 1
cpu cores : 2
apicid : 2
initial apicid : 2
fpu : yes
fpu_exception : yes
cpuid level : 13
wp : yes
flags : fpu vme de pse tsc msr pae mce cx8 apic sep mtrr pge mca cmov
pat pse36 clflush dts acpi mmx fxsr sse sse2 ss ht tm pbe syscall nx rdtscp
lm constant_tsc arch_perfmon pebs bts rep_good nopl xtopology nonstop_tsc
aperfmpperf eagerfpu pni pclmulqdq dtes64 monitor ds_cpl vmx smx est tm2
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```

```

tpr_shadow vnmi flexpriority ept vpid fsgsbase smep erms
bogomips      : 5189.89
clflush size  : 64
cache_alignment : 64
address sizes  : 36 bits physical, 48 bits virtual
power management:

processor      : 3
vendor_id     : GenuineIntel
cpu family    : 6
model         : 58
model name    : Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-3320M CPU @ 2.60GHz
stepping      : 9
microcode     : 0x16
cpu MHz       : 1200.000
cache size    : 3072 KB
physical id   : 0
siblings      : 4
core id       : 1
cpu cores     : 2
apicid        : 3
initial apicid : 3
fpu           : yes
fpu_exception : yes
cpuid level   : 13
wp            : yes
flags         : fpu vme de pse tsc msr pae mce cx8 apic sep mtrr pge mca cmov
pat pse36 clflush dts acpi mmx fxsr sse sse2 ss ht tm pbe syscall nx rdtscp
lm constant_tsc arch_perfmon pebs bts rep_good nopl xtopology nonstop_tsc
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power management:

```

## Partition table

Disk	Partition	Name	Label	Size	Format	Comment
SSD	1	sdb1	SYSTEM_DRV	1.5GB	NTFS	Crap partition for Lenovo's tools ...
SSD	2	sdb2	WINDOWS7_OS	175GB	NTFS	C:\
SSD	3	sdb3	LINUX	62GB	ext4	/ for Linux
HD	1	sda1	SWAP	32GB	Linux Swap	swap for Linux
HD	2	sda2	VAR	20GB	ext4	/var for Linux
HD	3	sda3	HOME	40GB	ext4	/home for Linux

Disk	Partition	Name	Label	Size	Format	Comment
HD	4	sda4	DATA	375GB	NTFS	Data partition shared

# Base install

## References

- [Installation guide](#)
- [Thinkpad x230](#)

## USB boot

On Lenovo's BIOS you have to press [Enter] to boot from a different device.



If you do add a mSata and want to use it for OS(es), go to the BIOS to change boot order

## First install

Boot on the USB stick (I created mine using unetbootin ~ lazy :D - the isos are taken from here → <https://www.archlinux.org/download/> take the mirror closest to you and select the netinstall ISO)

## Basic

## Remote access

Let's launch the network + sshd so we can copy paste some nice commands right from an already installed machine

```
ip addr show
```

Start sshd

```
systemctl start sshd
```

I hate systemd right from this line ... !  
Set a root password

```
passwd
```

## Partitionning

Done with Clonezilla (again laziness 😊) - you can use cfdisk to do the job

## Formatting

Let's format all these partitions in ext4 format.

```
mkfs.ext4 -E discard -L LINUX /dev/sdb3
mkfs.ext4 -L VAR /dev/sda2
mkfs.ext4 -L HOME /dev/sda3
mkswap -L SWAP /dev/sda1
```

The option -E discard is because /dev/sdb is an SSD!

## Mount them

Mounting and creating mount points:

```
mount /dev/sdb3 /mnt
mkdir /mnt/{home,var}
mount /dev/sda2 /mnt/var
mount /dev/sda3 /mnt/home
swapon /dev/sda1
```

Check

```
mount
```

## Base system

I'll then install base packages plus base-level packages

```
pacstrap /mnt base base-devel
```

## Fstab

For SSD tweaks and to make it shine: [SSD](#)

- generate fstab

```
genfstab -L -p /mnt >> /mnt/etc/fstab
```

## Yes I use Labels, UUID sucks

- edit fstab

Before:

```
#
# /etc/fstab: static file system information
#
# <file system> <dir> <type> <options> <dump> <pass>
# /dev/sdb3 UUID=34cedc78-e156-4dbb-a428-4d594d6b34a8
LABEL=LINUX / ext4
rw,relatime,data=ordered 0 1

# /dev/sda2 UUID=f8a1e862-64b7-41d7-ac7d-4b75b346ceb5
LABEL=VAR /var ext4
rw,relatime,data=ordered 0 2

# /dev/sda3 UUID=57552366-9356-43bf-8bd2-bb0b25a1d318
LABEL=HOME /home ext4
rw,relatime,data=ordered 0 2

# /dev/sda1 UUID=dcba8ead-fb4b-4e06-a9e5-1a55f1c353e0
LABEL=SWAP none swap defaults 0 0
```

They love UUIDs ...

Anyway, let's modify the line of / on SSD

After:

```
#
# /etc/fstab: static file system information
#
# <file system> <dir> <type> <options> <dump> <pass>
# /dev/sdb3 UUID=34cedc78-e156-4dbb-a428-4d594d6b34a8
LABEL=LINUX / ext4
defaults,noatime,discard 0 1

# /dev/sda2 UUID=f8a1e862-64b7-41d7-ac7d-4b75b346ceb5
LABEL=VAR /var ext4
rw,relatime,data=ordered 0 2

# /dev/sda3 UUID=57552366-9356-43bf-8bd2-bb0b25a1d318
LABEL=HOME /home ext4
rw,relatime,data=ordered 0 2

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LABEL=SWAP none swap defaults 0 0
```

# Bootloader

I use Syslinux since it does its job well! [Syslinux](#)

```
pacstrap /mnt syslinux
```

# Configuration

## Environment

Let's go to our new system!

```
arch-chroot /mnt
```

- /etc/hostname

```
echo 30L3 > /etc/hostname
```

- /etc/locale.gen

I'll use en\_US.utf-8/iso8859 so uncomment:

```
en_US.UTF-8 UTF-8
en_US ISO-8859-1
```

The generate locales

```
locale-gen
```

- /etc/locale.conf [Locale](#)

```
LANG="en_US.UTF-8"
```

```
# Keep the default sort order (e.g. files starting with a '.'  
# should appear at the start of a directory listing.)
```

```
LC_COLLATE="C"
```

- /etc/vconsole.conf

Default keyboard in console (US variant international ... with a different mapping than on X11! Well done)

```
echo "KEYMAP=us-acentos" > /etc/vconsole.conf
```

- /etc/localtime

```
ln -s /usr/share/zoneinfo/Europe/Paris /etc/localtime
```



# Network

## Dhcpd for eth 0

Once you have back a proper name for you interfaces ...

```
systemctl enable dhcpd@eth0
```

And then it slows down your boot! Isn't that nice? Well coded.

Reference: [Network](#)

## Netctl for wifi

Reference: <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Netctl>

```
pacman -S netctl wpa_supplicant
```

```
cd /etc/netctl/examples/
```

Copy on of the example regarding the type of network you want to access:

```
cp wireless-wpa-configsection ../university
```

Edit the file with proper settings (SSID / user ... )

```
cd /etc/netctl  
vi university
```

I don't use auto-wifi service I start it when needed:

```
netctl start university
```

## SSHD

Access remotely:

```
pacman -Sy openssh
```

Enable it at boot

## User

```
useradd -g users -m -s /bin/bash warnaud
```

```
passwd warnaud
```

## Fix VI/VIM

```
# ls -altrh `which vi`  
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 2 Nov 16 18:34 /usr/bin/vi -> ex
```

Prefer vim?

```
pacman -S vim  
rm /usr/bin/vi && ln -s /usr/bin/vim /usr/bin/vi
```

## GPM

Since gpm is a dependency of vim let's use it!

```
systemctl enable gpm  
systemctl start gpm
```

## Xorg / XDM

### Xorg

Reference: [Xorg](#) & [Intel](#) Install all those packages ...

```
# pacman -S xorg-server xorg-apps xorg-fonts xorg-fonts-100dpi xorg-  
fonts-75dpi xorg-twm xorg-xclock xorg-xinit xorg-xdm xterm xf86-video-intel  
xorg-xmessage xorg-xcalc xorg-xfontsel xorg-utils
```

Reply to questions:

```
:: There are 37 members in group xorg-apps:  
:: Repository extra  
 1) xorg-bdftopcf  2) xorg-iceauth  3) xorg-luit  4) xorg-mkfontdir  5)  
xorg-mkfontscale  6) xorg-sessreg  7) xorg-setxkbmap  8) xorg-smproxy  
 9) xorg-x11perf 10) xorg-xauth  11) xorg-xbacklight 12) xorg-xcmsdb  
13) xorg-xcursorgen 14) xorg-xdpyinfo 15) xorg-xdriinfo 16) xorg-xev  
 17) xorg-xgamma 18) xorg-xhost 19) xorg-xinput 20) xorg-xkbcomp 21)  
xorg-xkbevd 22) xorg-xkbutils 23) xorg-xkill 24) xorg-xlsatoms  
 25) xorg-xlsclients 26) xorg-xmodmap 27) xorg-xpr 28) xorg-xprop 29)  
xorg-xrandr 30) xorg-xrdb 31) xorg-xrefresh 32) xorg-xset 33) xorg-  
xsetroot  
 34) xorg-xvinfo 35) xorg-xwd 36) xorg-xwininfo 37) xorg-xwud
```

```
Enter a selection (default=all):
:: There are 2 members in group xorg-fonts:
:: Repository extra
   1) xorg-font-util  2) xorg-fonts-encodings

Enter a selection (default=all): 1
resolving dependencies...
:: There are 4 providers available for libgl:
:: Repository extra
   1) mesa-libgl  2) nvidia-304xx-utils  3) nvidia-libgl
:: Repository community
   4) catalyst-utils

Enter a number (default=1): 1
```

Add some modules at boot for KMS

```
vi /etc/mkinitcpio.conf
```

```
...
MODULES="i915"
...
```

Acceleration method

```
vi /etc/X11/xorg.conf.d/20-intel.conf
```

```
Section "Device"
    Identifier "Intel Graphics"
    Driver     "intel"
    Option     "AccelMethod" "sna"
EndSection
```

```
vi /etc/X11/xorg.conf.d/10-evdev.conf
```

```
Section "InputClass"
    Identifier "evdev keyboard catchall"
    MatchIsKeyboard "on"
    MatchDevicePath "/dev/input/event*"
    Driver "evdev"
    Option "XkbLayout" "us"
    Option "XkbVariant" "intl"
EndSection
```

## XDM

Reference: <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/XDM>

```
pacman -S xorg-xdm
```

Enable systemd service

```
systemctl enable xdm.service
```

Optional, if you made a customize version

```
vi /usr/lib/systemd/system/xdm.service
```

```
[Unit]
Description=X-Window Display Manager
After=systemd-user-sessions.service

[Service]
ExecStart=/usr/bin/xdm -c /etc/X11/xdm/lcars-xdm/xdm-config -nodaemon
Type=notify
NotifyAccess=all

[Install]
Alias=display-manager.service
```

Copy the necessary files from /etc/skel

```
cp /etc/skel/.xsession ~/.
```

make sure its permission are 774

## Fvwm

```
pacman -S fvwm
```

Import my configuration:

```
mkdir ~/.fvwm && cd .fvwm && svn co
https://fvwm.svn.beanstalkapp.com/fvwm/trunk/bazooka .
```

## Alsa

Reference: <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Alsa>

```
pacman -S alsa-utils
```

Set volume levels:

```
alsamixer
```

Test:

```
speaker -test -c 2
```

## Laptop / powersaving (doesn't work ... )

Reference: <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Laptop>

### ACPID

To have access to buttons + power settings, first install acpi and acpid

```
pacman -S acpi acpid
```

Reference: <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Acpi> and <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Acpid> and [https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/ACPI\\_hotkeys](https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/ACPI_hotkeys) Start the daemon and enable it:

```
systemctl enable acpid
```

```
systemctl start acpid
```

### TPB

For other nice osd display install tpb :

```
yaourt -S tpb
```

Reference: [https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/ThinkPad\\_OSD](https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/ThinkPad_OSD) Configure it:

```
vi /etc/tpbrc
```

```
OSDCOLOR      Green
OSDVERTICAL   0
OSDHORIZONTAL  0
OSDPOS        MIDDLE
OSDALIGN      CENTER
```

### Udev

Create a special rule to suspend everything if battery is at 2%

```
vi /etc/udev/rules.d/lowbat.rules
```

```
## SLEEP IF BATTERY IS LOW
SUBSYSTEM=="power_supply", ATTR{status}=="Discharging", ATTR{capacity}=="2",
```

```
RUN+=" /usr/bin/systemctl suspend"
```

## i915

Power consumption for Intel Graphics:

```
vi /etc/modprobe.d/modprobe.conf
```

```
options i915 i915_enable_rc6=1 i915_enable_fbc=1 lvds_downclock=1
```

Rebuild the kernel:

```
mkinitcpio -p linux && mkinitcpio -p linux-ck
```

## TLP

Reference: <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/TLP> Install required packages:

```
yaourt -S tlp tp_smapi tp_smapi-ck dkms-acpi_call-git smartmontools
```



tp\_smapi doesn't seem to launch ... Enable the service:

```
systemctl enable tlp
```

## Sysctl

Reference: <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Sysctl>  add in /etc/sysctl.conf

```
vm.dirty_writeback_centisecs=1500  
vm.laptop_mode=5
```

## Syslinux

After those tweaks, here's Syslinux cfg file

```
DEFAULT arch-ck  
PROMPT 0          # Set to 1 if you always want to display the boot: prompt  
TIMEOUT 50  
  
UI vesamenu.c32  
  
MENU RESOLUTION 1366 768
```

## MENU CLEAR

MENU TITLE ~ 30L3 - Select OS ~

```
MENU COLOR border      30;44  #40ffffff #a0000000 std
MENU COLOR title       1;36;44 #9033ccff #a0000000 std
MENU COLOR sel         7;37;40 #e0ffffff #20ffffff all
MENU COLOR unsel      37;44  #50ffffff #a0000000 std
MENU COLOR help       37;40  #c0ffffff #a0000000 std
MENU COLOR timeout_msg 37;40  #80ffffff #00000000 std
MENU COLOR timeout    1;37;40 #c0ffffff #00000000 std
MENU COLOR msg07      37;40  #90ffffff #a0000000 std
MENU COLOR tabmsg     31;40  #30ffffff #00000000 std
```

## LABEL arch

```
MENU LABEL Arch Linux
LINUX ../vmlinuz-linux
APPEND root=/dev/sdb3 ro
INITRD ../initramfs-linux.img quiet vga=current ipv6.disable=1
pcie_aspm=force acpi_backlight=vendor
```

## LABEL archfallback

```
MENU LABEL Arch Linux Fallback
LINUX ../vmlinuz-linux
APPEND root=/dev/sdb3 ro
INITRD ../initramfs-linux-fallback.img
```

## LABEL arch-ck

```
MENU LABEL Arch Linux CK
LINUX ../vmlinuz-linux-ck
APPEND root=/dev/sdb3 ro
INITRD ../initramfs-linux-ck.img quiet vga=current ipv6.disable=1
elevator=bfq pcie_aspm=force acpi_backlight=vendor
```

## LABEL arch-ck-fallback

```
MENU LABEL Arch Linux CK Fallback
LINUX ../vmlinuz-linux-ck
APPEND root=/dev/sdb3 ro
INITRD ../initramfs-linux-ck-fallback.img
```

## LABEL windows

```
MENU LABEL Windows 7 Professional 64bits
COM32 chain.c32
APPEND hd0 1
```

## LABEL hdt

```
MENU LABEL HDT (Hardware Detection Tool)
COM32 hdt.c32
```

## LABEL reboot

```
MENU LABEL Reboot
```

```
COM32 reboot.c32
```

```
LABEL off
```

```
  MENU LABEL Power Off
```

```
COMBOOT poweroff.com
```

## Thinkpad

### Wacom

Reference: <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Wacom> Install the driver:

```
pacman -S xf86-input-wacom
```


 **Fix Me!** la suite ...

### Disable Touchpad

Deactivate the useless touchpad:

```
vi /etc/X11/xorg.conf.d/10-evdev.conf
```

```
Section "InputClass"  
  Identifier "evdev touchpad catchall"  
  MatchIsTouchpad "off"  
  MatchDevicePath "/dev/input/event*"  
  Driver "evdev"  
EndSection
```

 **Fix Me!** Check alternate  
solution: [https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Synaptics\\_Touchpad](https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Synaptics_Touchpad)

### TrackNav enhancement

This hack will enable scrolling using the middle button + the TrackPoint™ ® ©

```
vi /etc/X11/xorg.conf.d/20-thinkpad.conf
```

```
Section "InputClass"  
  Identifier "Trackpoint Wheel Emulation"  
  MatchProduct "TPPS/2 IBM TrackPoint|DualPoint Stick|Synaptics  
Inc. Composite TouchPad / TrackPoint|ThinkPad USB Keyboard with  
TrackPoint|USB Trackpoint pointing device"
```

```
MatchDevicePath    "/dev/input/event*"
Option             "EmulateWheel"      "true"
Option             "EmulateWheelButton" "2"
Option             "Emulate3Buttons"    "false"
Option             "XAxisMapping"      "6 7"
Option             "YAxisMapping"      "4 5"
EndSection
```

## Fingerprint reader

Reference: <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Fingerprint-gui> Unfortunately no free software for my fingerprint reader I have to use fingerprint-gui, anyhow it works!

```
yaourt -S fingerprint-gui
```

Sadly it depends on tons of crap like Qt ...  
Add you user(s) to the plugdev group


```
sudo gpasswd -a USERNAME plugdev
```

Configure applications to recognize fingerprints:

- sudo

```
vi /etc/pam.d/sudo
```

```
##%PAM-1.0
auth      sufficient      pam_fingerprint-gui.so
auth      required        pam_unix.so
auth      required        pam_nologin.so
```

- su (doesn't work for me ... )

```
vi /etc/pam.d/su
```

```
##%PAM-1.0
auth      sufficient      pam_rootok.so
auth      sufficient      pam_fingerprint-gui.so
# Uncomment the following line to implicitly trust users in the "wheel"
group.
#auth      sufficient      pam_wheel.so trust use_uid
# Uncomment the following line to require a user to be in the "wheel" group.
#auth      required        pam_wheel.so use_uid
auth      required        pam_unix.so
account   required        pam_unix.so
session   required        pam_unix.so
```

- xscreensaver

```
vi /etc/pam.d/xscreensaver
```

auth	sufficient	pam_fingerprint-gui.so
auth	required	pam_unix_auth.so



Update, I have to use the following trick to make it works again:

```
export XAUTHORITY=~/.Xauthority
```

Add it in your ~/.bashrc and it should do the trick!

Reference: <http://home.ullrich-online.cc/fingerprint/Forum/topic.php?TopicId=53>

- xdm

```
vi /etc/pam.d/xdm
```

```

#%PAM-1.0
auth      sufficient      pam_fingerprint-gui.so
auth      required        pam_unix.so
auth      required        pam_nologin.so
auth      required        pam_env.so
account   required          pam_unix.so
password  required          pam_unix.so
session   required          pam_unix.so
session   required          pam_limits.so
session   required          pam_loginuid.so
-session  optional           pam_systemd.so

```

Register your fingerprints



In an X environment



Might need a reboot to load the appropriate modules ...



```
fingerprint-gui
```

The interface is pretty self explanatory. You have to select the device first then scan the fingers you want.

If in the drop down menu you have Unknown device, reboot (or find the nice corresponding module)

## Bluetooth

Reference: <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Bluetooth>

```
pacman -S bluez
```



Any of this required?

### Optional dependencies for bluez

```
gstreamer0.10-base: bluetooth GStreamer support
alsa-lib: Audio bluetooth devices support [installed]
dbus-python: to run bluez-simple-agent
pygobject: to run bluez-simple-agent
libusb-compat: USB adapters support
cups: CUPS backend
```

I kind of never use bluetooth so I start it when necessary

```
systemctl start bluetooth.service
```



.. have some fun with it

## Multimedia Keys

Mute/Volume up and Down are recognized by default in xev, so with xbindkeys let's map them

```
pacman -S xbindkeys
```

Create a file that contain the definition of the buttons + the action(s)

```
vi ~/.xbindkeysrc.scn
```

Here I'll map Mute / Volume up / Volume Down

```
(xbindkey '("XF86AudioMute") "amixer set Master toggle")
(xbindkey '("XF86AudioRaiseVolume") "amixer set Master 2dB+ unmute")
(xbindkey '("XF86AudioLowerVolume") "amixer set Master 2dB- unmute")
```

Last but not least, add

```
xbindkeys &
```

To your ~/.xinitrc or whatever file launched at login

## Systemd journal

It's always nice to see some logs even if they are in binary format .....

```
Hint: You are currently not seeing messages from other users and the system.
Users in the 'systemd-journal' group can see all messages. Pass -q to
turn off this notice.
```

Fix:

```
sudo gpasswd -a USERNAME systemd-journal
```

## Other software

### Archlinuxfr repository

```
vi /etc/pacman.conf
```

```
...  
[archlinuxfr]  
SigLevel = Never  
Server = http://repo.archlinux.fr/$arch
```

\o/ No signature

### Yaourt

Reference: <http://archlinux.fr/yaourt-en>

```
pacman -Sy yaourt
```

### Sudo

```
pacman -S sudo
```

```
visudo
```

```
...  
root ALL=(ALL) ALL  
someuser ALL=(ALL) ALL
```

Just add the 'someuser' line

### Compilation options



just for fun not really mandatory Reference: <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Makepkg.conf>

```
vi /etc/makepkg.conf
```

Modify CFLAGS/CXXFLAGS:

```
# -march=native also sets the correct -mtune=
```

```
CFLAGS="-march=native -O2 -pipe -fstack-protector --param=ssp-buffer-size=4  
-D_FORTIFY_SOURCE=2"  
CXXFLAGS="${CFLAGS}"
```

Modify MAKEFLAGS (4 = output of nproc)

```
MAKEFLAGS="-j4"
```

## Mandatory packages - for terminal users

List of software I use and abuse

```
yaourt -S screen bash-completion wavemon glances htop bmon irssi lftp rsync  
wget curl bc figlet toilet pmount dfc git rdesktop
```

I use yaourt since some of them are not in repositories and then built from aur

## Cups

Reference: <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Cups>

```
pacman -S libcups cups cups-filters ghostscript gsfonts
```

## CK Kernel

For more aggressive scheduling, you can use the ck patchset

References:

- <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Kernel26-ck>
- <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Repo-ck>



Super up-to-date



```
vi /etc/pacman.conf
```

Add at the end:

```
[repo-ck]  
SigLevel = PackageRequired  
Server = http://repo-ck.com/$arch
```

Add keys for signing shit ...

```
pacman-key -r 5EE46C4C  
pacman-key --lsign-key 5EE46C4C
```

Refresh pacman's database:

```
pacman -Sy
```

Install kernel-ck matching your architecture (see Repo-ck page for reference)

```
pacman -S linux-ck-ivybridge linux-ck-ivybridge-headers
```

Add a nice entry in syslinux

```
vi /boot/syslinux/syslinux.cfg
```

```
...
DEFAULT arch-ck
...
LABEL arch-ck
    MENU LABEL Arch Linux CK
    LINUX ../vmlinuz-linux-ck
    APPEND root=/dev/sdb3 ro
    INITRD ../initramfs-linux-ck.img quiet ipv6.disable=1 elevator=bfq

LABEL arch-ck-fallback
    MENU LABEL Arch Linux CK Fallback
    LINUX ../vmlinuz-linux-ck
    APPEND root=/dev/sdb3 ro
    INITRD ../initramfs-linux-ck-fallback.img
...
```

Bye bye IPv6 and change the schedule to Con Kolivas' bfq

## URxvt

```
pacman -S rxvt-unicode urxvt-perls
```

(Not yet implemented : )

```
URxvt.perl-ext-common:    default,clipboard,url-select,keyboard-select
URxvt.url-select.launcher: chromium
URxvt.url-select.underline: true
URxvt.keysym.M-u:        perl:url-select:select_next
URxvt.keysym.M-Escape:   perl:keyboard-select:activate
URxvt.keysym.M-s:        perl:keyboard-select:search
```

## X11 software

```
yaourt -S chromium hsetroot imagemagick vlc emelfm2 flashplugin xosd
```

For acrobat reader/skype, there's a need for the multilib repository ... well coded too!

```
vi /etc/pacman.conf
```

Uncomment:

```
[multilib]
Include = /etc/pacman.d/mirrorlist
```

Then:

```
yaourt -Sy acroread skype
```



tons of 32bits libraries ....



**Fix Me!**

acroread libre-office\* fonts skype...

## Final stuff

<https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Readahead>

## Ntfs share

Reference: <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Ntfs>

```
pacman -S ntfs-3g
```

```
vi /etc/fstab
```

```
#
# /etc/fstab: static file system information
#
# <file system> <dir> <type> <options> <dump> <pass>
# /dev/sdb3 UUID=34cedc78-e156-4dbb-a428-4d594d6b34a8
LABEL=LINUX / ext4
defaults,noatime,discard 0 1

# /dev/sda2 UUID=f8a1e862-64b7-41d7-ac7d-4b75b346ceb5
LABEL=VAR /var ext4
rw,relatime,data=ordered 0 2

# /dev/sda3 UUID=57552366-9356-43bf-8bd2-bb0b25a1d318
LABEL=HOME /home ext4
rw,relatime,data=ordered 0 2

# /dev/sda1 UUID=dcba8ead-fb4b-4e06-a9e5-1a55f1c353e0
LABEL=SWAP none swap defaults
0 0

# /dev/sda4 Windows
```

```
LABEL=DATA          /media/data      ntfs-3g
uid=warnaud,gid=users 0 0
```

## LibreOffice

Imagine Office in Java? There you go ...

Reference: <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/LibreOffice>

```
yaourt -S ttf-dejavu artwiz-fonts libreoffice libreoffice-en-US libreoffice-fr
```

Free to install ~70 pkgs \o/

## NTP

Reference: <https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/Ntp>

```
pacman -S ntp
```

```
vi /etc/ntp.conf
```

```
server 0.fr.pool.ntp.org iburst
server 1.fr.pool.ntp.org iburst
server 2.fr.pool.ntp.org iburst
server 3.fr.pool.ntp.org iburst
```

```
systemctl start ntpd
```

Well I don't enable it since ... I mostly have no connection at boot on a laptop



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