

## Re: Headless machine?

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John wrote:

> *Hi Folks,*

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> *I have a machine set up on my home network running Mandrake 10.0. I have  
> been using this machine to download large music videos etc from the likes  
> of bittorrent. I used a KVM switch with the linux box and my main machine  
> in order to control the linux box but it was a v.cheap switch (£5.00 on  
> ebay) and hence the picture quality is extremely poor (plus it locks out  
> my keyboard and mouse intermittently).*

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> *I have removed the switch and now want to access the linux box from my  
> other PC. I can SSH in and start downloads etc but with the bittorrent  
> stuff I would like to see how much I have downloaded/uploaded to make sure  
> i dont become a file leach.*

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> *The problem i have is that when i switch the machine off that i ssh'ed in  
> from i then lose the screen that had all the details (i.e. if i ssh in  
> again i dont have the original screen up again). I have exceed but this  
> has the same problem – when you end a session you no longer have the same  
> screen up and hence the GUI for the bittorent client is gone. Does anyone  
> know of a solution to this problem or point me in the right direction as  
> to where i would find infomration about this?*

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> *Many Thanks,*

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> *John*

If you want X Windows, investigate installing a VNC server on the Linux box,  
and a VNC client on your other box. Or else, use the GNU Screen program.

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