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1.2 Requirements

This document assumes that you've already successfully installed your favourite Linux distribution, and that you have physically installed your ISA hardware modem (NOT a WinModem) correctly. It is also required that you know your way around with basic commands (tar, cp, mv, rm, etc.), and that you know how to use a text editor (we use pico). This guide is based off of the configuration of an x86-based architecture (386/486/586/686).

1.3 Synopsis

The first question out of almost every new Linux user is, "How do I connect to the Internet?" Manually configuring a PPP script can be a daunting task, and can be downright confusing to some people. With the aid of the program WvDial, we can get you connected to the Internet within a matter of minutes, and it is by far the easiest way I've found to get connected.

2.1 What is WvDial?

WvDial is an "Intelligent PPP Dialer" that runs dialup networking for Linux without the use of chat scripts. WvDial is a very powerful program, yet it remains simple and easy to configure. It will automatically detect your modem and is compliant with almost all ISPs .

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