

How to Load the Newest Mirror Driver Step by Step by Bevtech Beta Rev 5 2005-12-15

This driver works on W2K, XP and Win2003.

This was taken from the online documentation

<http://doc.uvnc.net/driver.html>

UltraVNC Mirror Driver

How does it Work?

The Mirror Video Driver is a driver that UltraVNC (for instance) can use to be quickly and efficiently notified with screen changes. Using it on an UltraVNC server results in a excellent accuracy. The video driver also makes a direct link between the video driver frammebuffer memory and UltraWinVNC server. Using the framebuffer directly eliminates the use of the CPU for intensive screen blitting, resulting in a big speed boost and very low CPU load.

Installation

If you have a previous version installed, it is recommended to uninstall it first, by doing the following:

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setupdrv.exe uninstall
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Installation is done by `setupdrv.exe install`

The program `setupdrv.exe` is located in the folder you've chosen during the driver installation.

Manual Uninstall

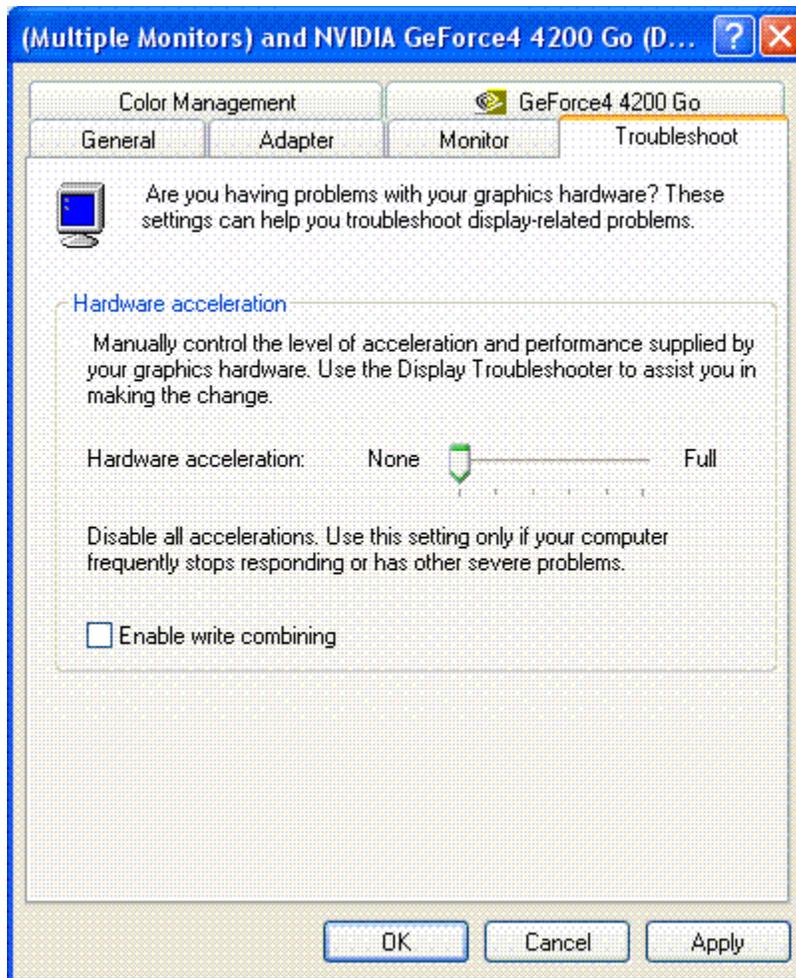
1. `net stop vnccom` (stop communication manager service)
2. Under XP: Control Panel ⇒ System ⇒ Hardware ⇒ Device Manager ⇒ Display Adapters ⇒ Uninstall mirror driver.
Under W2000: W2000 does not allow video drivers to be removed while running.
Trick: Remove `vncdrv.sys` (that is in `system32/drivers`), and reboot. You now can remove the driver the same way as with XP, via the device manager.

Upgrading issue

For each version the `vncdrv.sys` and `vnccom.sys` are a pair. `Vncdrv.sys` is a kernel driver, so can only be unloaded on reboot. After upgrading the driver, `vncdrv.sys` is still the old version, but `vnccom.sys` is already the new one. Switching of `vncdrv.sys` is done on reboot. Don't use the driver before you reboot.

VNC users have come across the following that is worth mentioning.

The mirror driver currently does not support direct draw properly and if you experience problem.



Here is an example of turning it off.
Be sure to uncheck enable write combining.
It can be found under the display properties of your video card.

Removing the acceleration is only a suggestion to improve Ultra VNC viewer image quality but does have some negative effects.

From User Oliver:

“You should still note that turning off hardware acceleration will greatly degrade the performance of anything like software TV applications, software video players, software DVD players, games and so on.”

The problem here is, that you "force the pixels" to go a path to the screen which is highly ineffective compared to what you are used to. Older machines which just fulfill the requirements for a software DVD player will not be able to show anything else but a series of visibly separated frames in most cases."

I thank him for the information and dedication to the project.

Follow the above instructions if you need to uninstall an older version of the software.

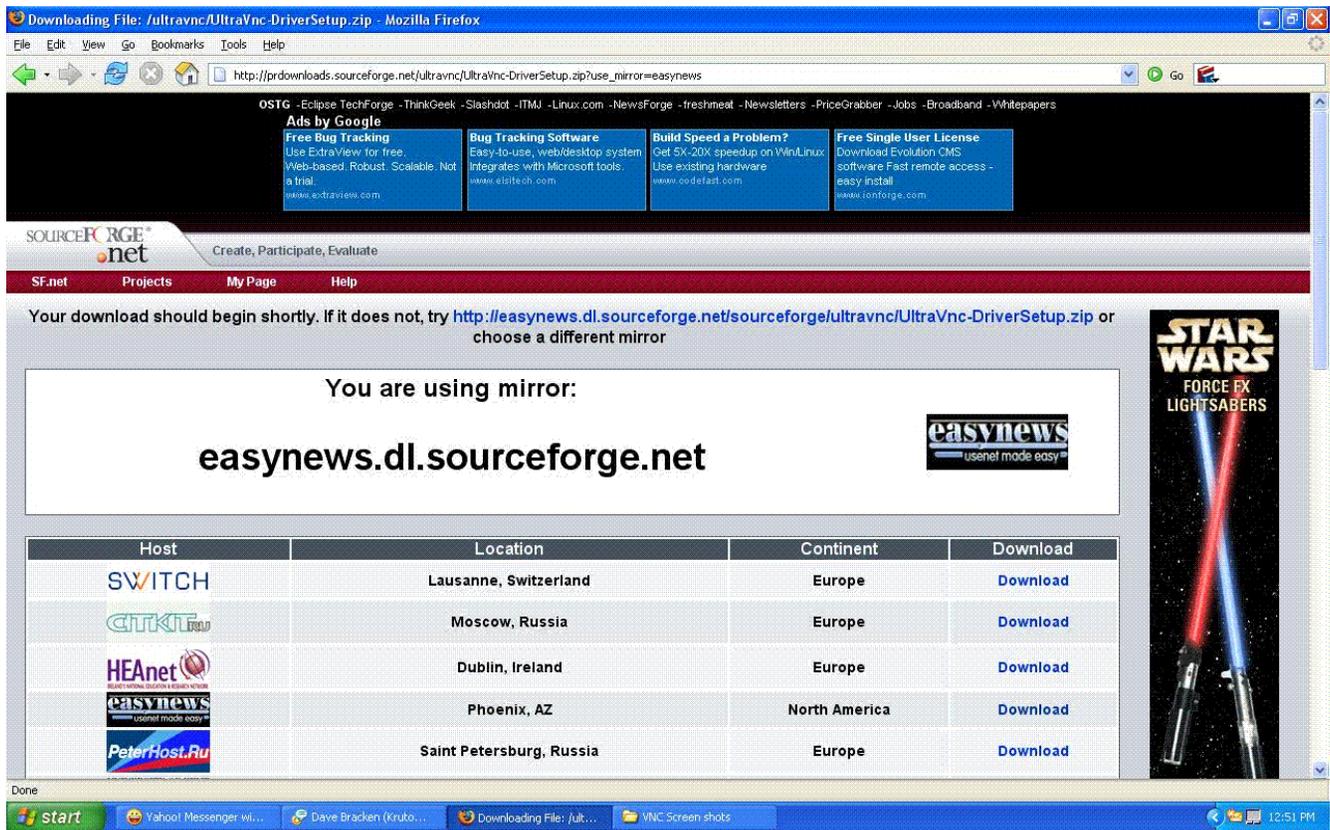
Downloading and Installation of The Mirror Driver

The screenshot shows a Mozilla Firefox browser window displaying the UltraVNC website. The browser's address bar shows the URL <http://www.uvnc.com/>. The website header includes the UltraVNC logo and the tagline "Remote Control for all". A prominent banner reads "Use any spare Laptop as an extra Display for your Primary PC!". Below the banner is a navigation menu with links for Home, General, Installation, Features, Add-ons, Download, and Donate. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column, titled "What is it?", describes UltraVNC as an easy-to-use, fast, and free software for remote control. The right column, titled "Latest News", lists recent updates, including "7 Aug 2005 Ultr@VNC 1.0.1 is out" and "24 Jun 2005 Ultr@VNC 1.0.0 is out". The browser's taskbar at the bottom shows several open applications, including Yahoo! Messenger, a file explorer, and the UltraVNC website.

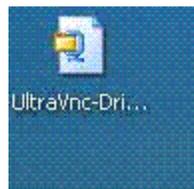
Click

[Ultr@VNC Video Driver Setup](#)

Then choose a mirror location nearest you



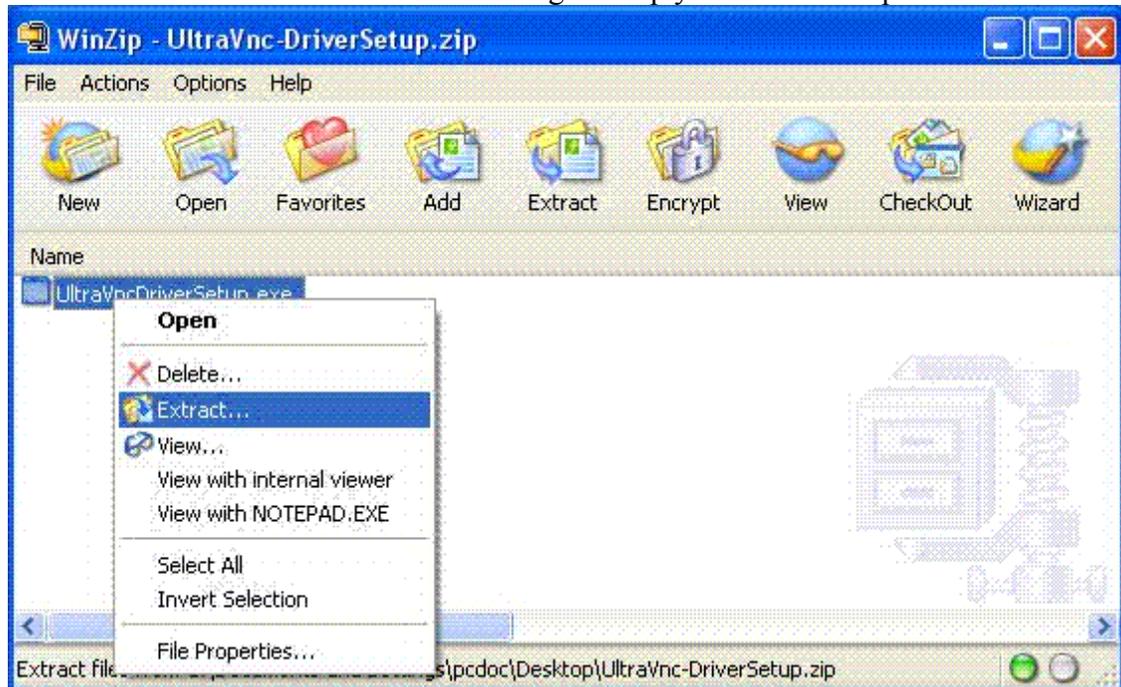
Be sure to download and save the UltraVnc-DriverSetup.zip file in a location you can find. For this step by step I choose the desktop.



Now Double Left click on the compressed file to extract the file. If you dont have XP you may have to use a zip decompressing unity 7-zip <http://www.7-zip.org/>

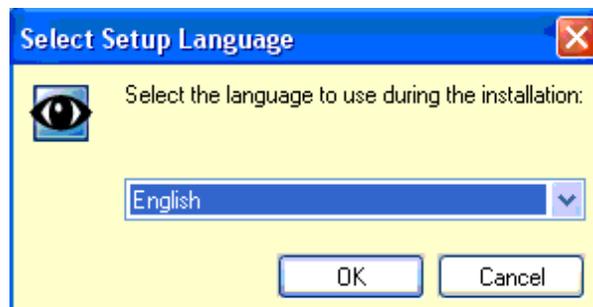
Then extract the file to the desktop or another location that you can find easily.

The screen shot below is of using Winzip you can use 7-zip instead.

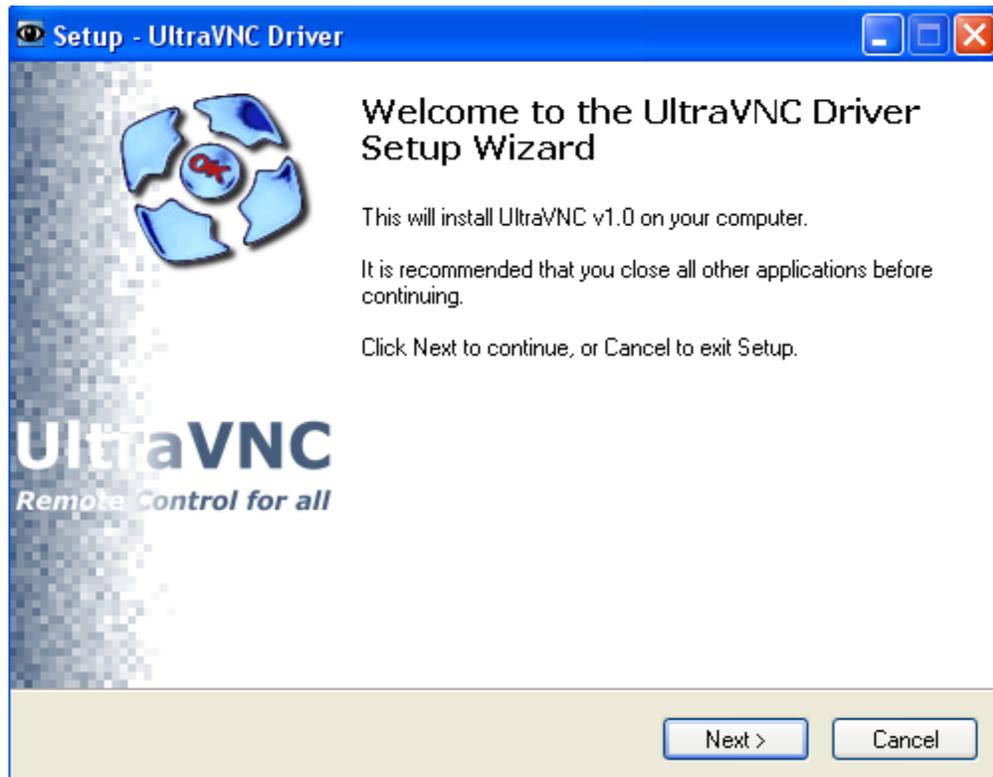


On the location of your choosing.
For this demenstration I chose to extract it on my desktop.

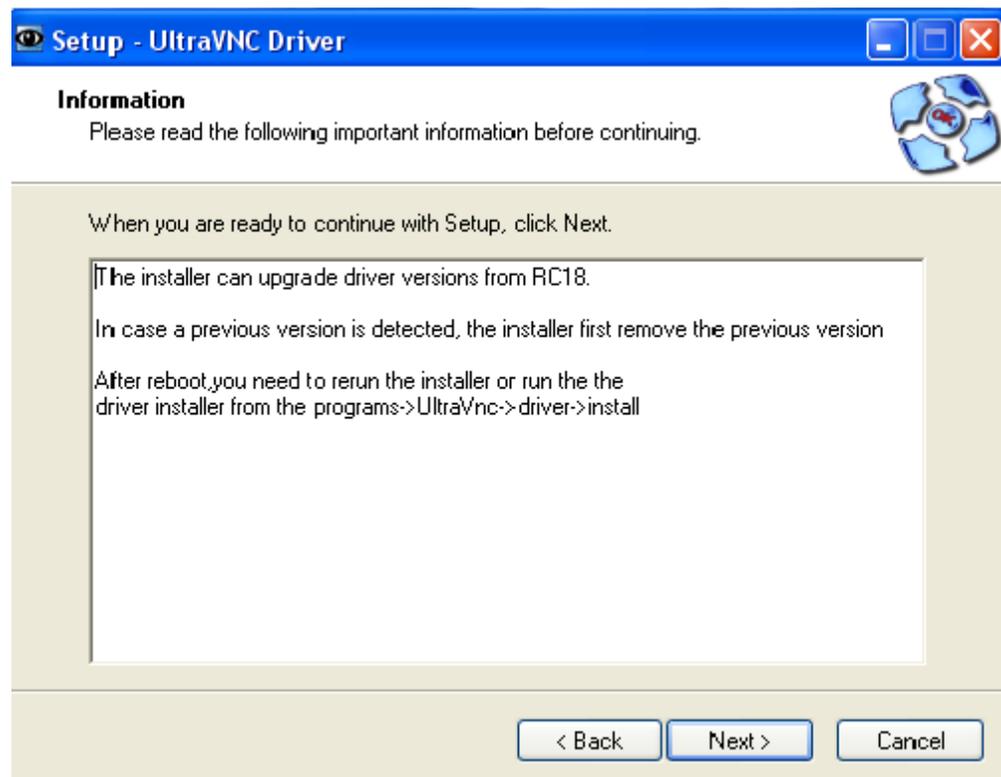
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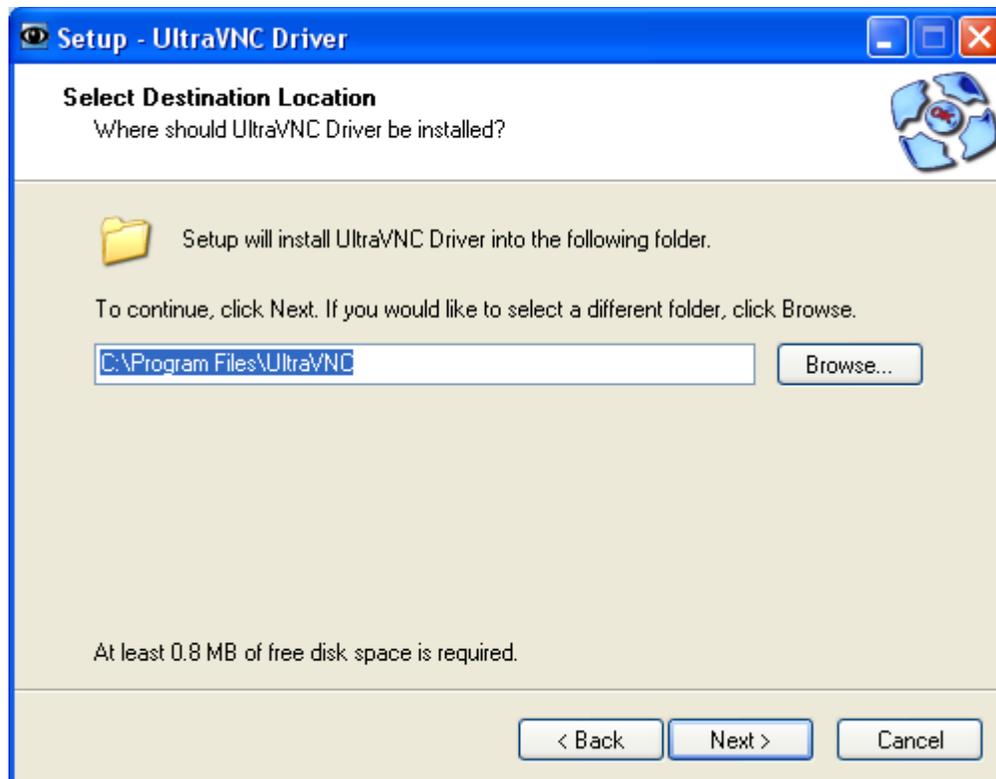
Choose your language then left click ok



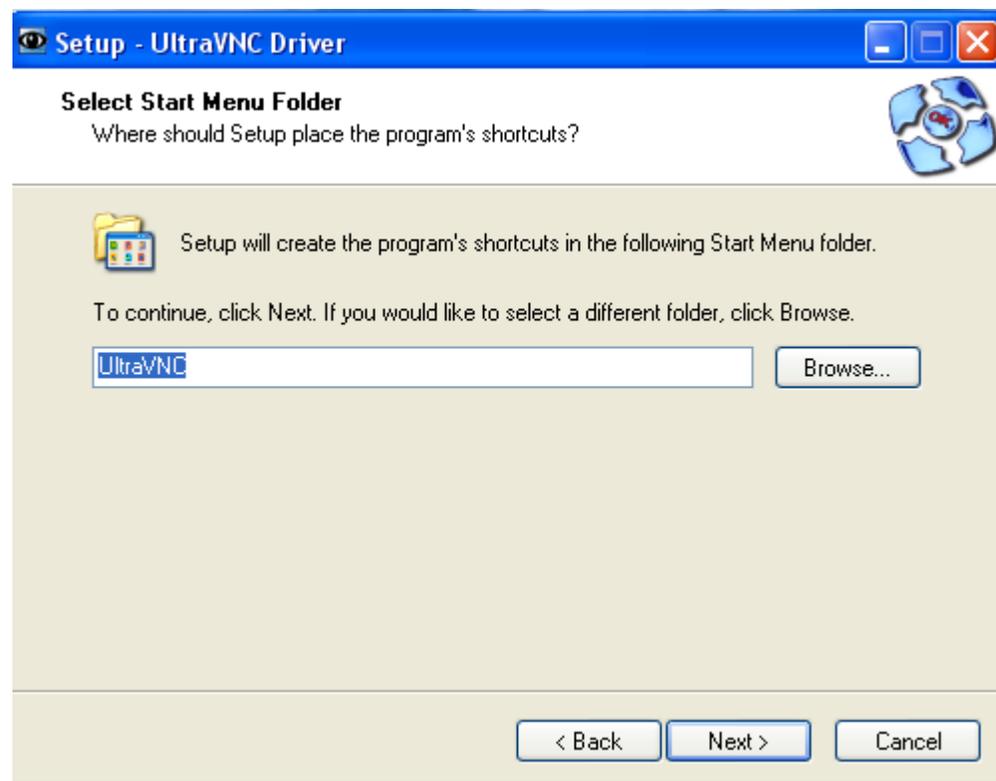
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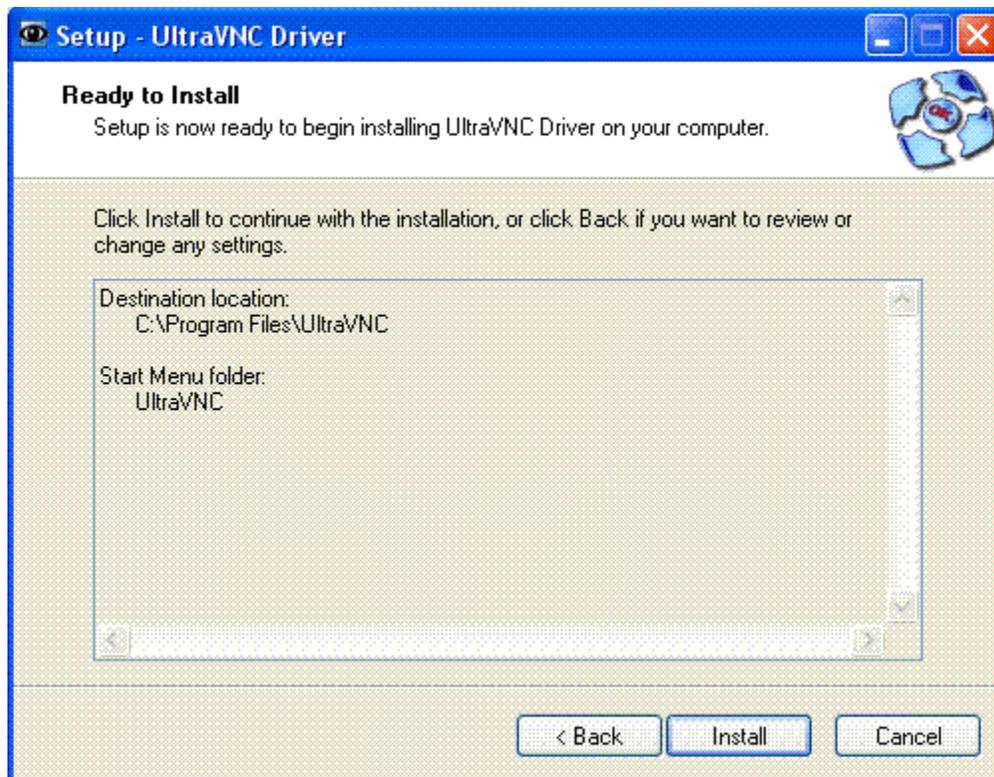
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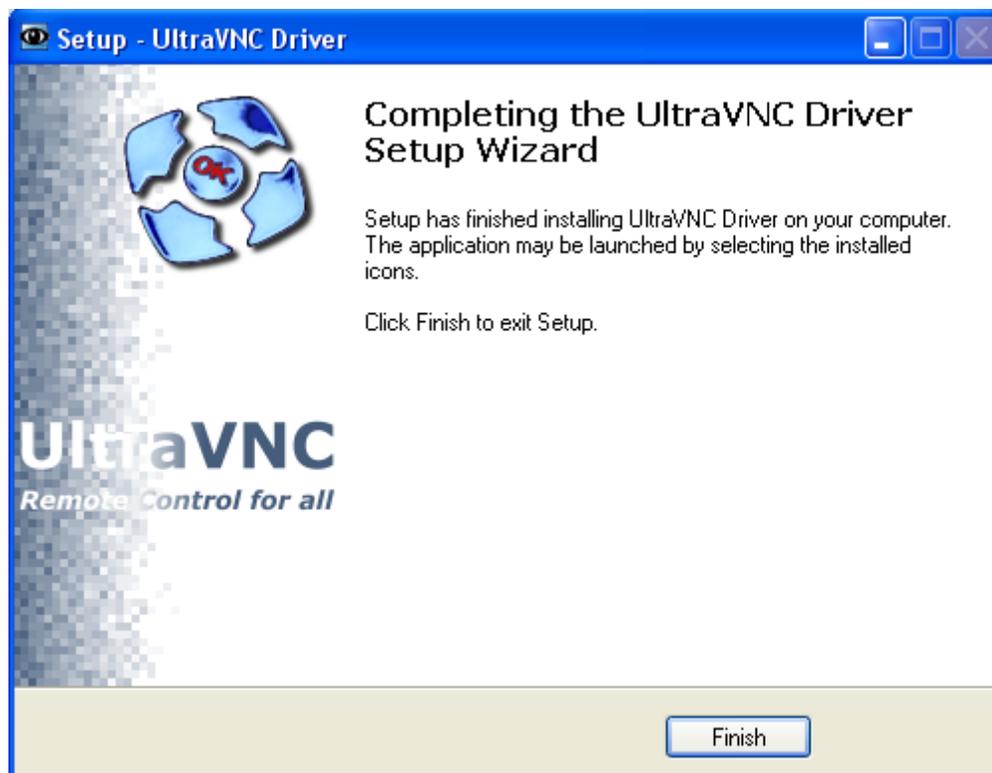
Choose your destination directory then left click Next>



Choose location then left click Next>



Check your options then left click Install



Click on finish then reboot...