



# NetLinx Module Interface Specification

for a

## JVC

# SR-MD55U DVD/VCR COMBO

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## Overview

The AMX module communicates to the JVC SR-MV55U at 9600, O, 8, 1; without hardware handshaking. The communication cable is a db-9 female with the following connections:

JVC	NetLinx
2 Rx	2 Rx
3 Tx	3 Tx
5 Gnd	5 Gnd (or 1 on NXI Phoenix)

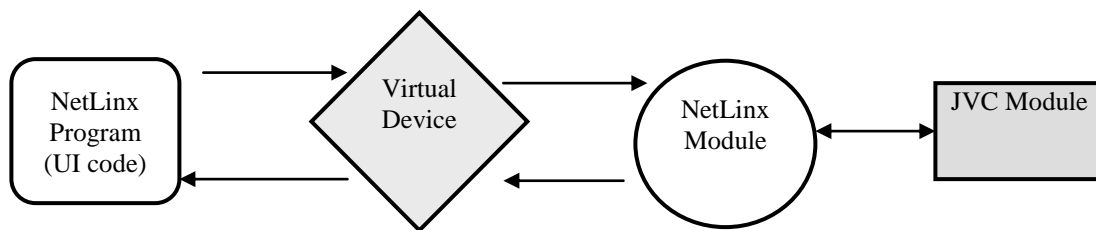
The communication module is called by adding the following line of code:

```
DEFINE_MODULE 'JVC_SRMV55U_Comm' JVC_code(virtual_name, real_name)
```

This document will define the common NetLinx module interface for a JVC SR-MV55Uplayer. Obviously there will always be features one system supports that another does not (or cannot). The model is not designed to be static. It is designed to be ever-growing while always supporting backwards compatibility. It is up to the programmer of each module to adhere to the model and to find the best way to fit the protocol of a piece of equipment to the model.

For features that are not part of the model the programmer may support additional commands that extend beyond the model to support those features. This is desirable because manufacturers want to expose the features of their system that make them unique and differentiate them from their competitors. Exposing control for those features should be done even if they are not part of the model. In this module, the 'PASSTHRU=' command provides this functionality.

The following diagram gives a graphical view of the interface between the interface code and the NetLinx module.



## Channels

The UI module controls the disc device via channel events (NetLinx commands *pulse*, *on*, and *off*) sent to the COMM module. The channels supported by the COMM module are listed below. These channels are associated with the virtual device(s) and are independent of the channels associated with the touch panel device.

Note: An ‘\*’ indicates an extension to the standard API.

Channel	Description
1	PULSE: Play
2	PULSE: Stop
3	PULSE: Pause
4	PULSE: Next
5	PULSE: Previous
6	PULSE: Scan Forward
7	PULSE: Scan Reverse
8	PULSE: RECORD
20	PULSE: Exit/Cancel
21	PULSE: Enter/Select Button
22	PULSE: Open/Close/Eject
23	ON: Select VHS
25	ON: Select DVD
27	ON: Set Power On
28	ON: Set Power Off
29	PULSE: OK
43	PULSE: Disc Menu
45	PULSE: Move Menu Cursor Up
46	PULSE: Move Menu Cursor Down
47	PULSE: Move Menu Cursor Left
48	PULSE: Move Menu Cursor Right
55	PULSE: Finalize
60	PULSE: Get DVD Chapter
61	PULSE: Get DVD Title/Track
62	PULSE: Get Selected Device Elapsed Time
63	PULSE: Get transport status (for use when polling is off)
70	ON: Polling is on OFF: Polling is off
240	ON: Record is active - provides feedback only
241	ON: Play is active - provides feedback only
242	ON: Stop is active - provides feedback only
243	ON: Pause is active - provides feedback only
246	ON: Forward is active - provides feedback only
247	ON: Reverse is active - provides feedback only
251	ON: Device is Online - used for feedback only OFF: Device is not Online
252	ON: Data is Initialized - use for feedback only OFF: Data is not Initialized
255	ON: Power on - used for feedback only OFF: Power off

**Table 1 - Virtual Device Channel Events**

## **Command Interface**

The interface code will control the JVC SR-MV55Uplayer via command events (NetLinx command *send\_command*). These commands will be sent to the module to affect control. Below are the commands supported.

<b>Command</b>	<b>Description</b>
DEBUG=<state>	<p>Set the state of the debugging flag. Note: Setting debug to on will prevent the polling for current status. This will eliminate the feedback.</p> <p>&lt;state&gt;: 0 = off 1 = on</p> <p>'DEBUG=1'</p>
PASSTHRU=<string>	<p>Allows user the capability of sending commands directly to whatever unit is attached without processing by the NetLinx module. User must be aware of the protocol implemented by the unit to use this command. This gives the user access to features which may not be directly supported by the module. The communication does not add automatically any characters to the passthru string. For more detail please read the <a href="#">Adding Functions to Modules</a> section at the end of this document.</p> <p>&lt;string&gt; : string to send to unit</p> <p>PASSTHRU=THIS IS A COMMAND PASSTHRU=RESET</p>
VERSION?	<p>Query for the current version number of the NetLinx module.</p> <p>VERSION?</p>

**Table 2 – Send Command Definitions**

## **String Feedback**

The NetLinx module will provide feedback to the interface code for JVC SR-MV55Uplayer changes via string events. Below are the strings supported.

<b>String</b>	<b>Description</b>
CHAPTER=<value>	Returns the chapter number of the DVD. (RETURN FROM CHANNEL 60 PULSE)  CHAPTER=021
DEBUG=<state>	State of the debug flag. Non-solicited feedback.  <state>: 0 = off 1 = on  'DEBUG=1'
ERROR=<cmd>:<arg>	Error occurred. <cmd>: command that caused error <arg>: associated faulty argument to command (@#\$jvdf8*)  AUDIO: <arg> ANGLE: <arg> CURSOR: <arg> NUMPAD: <arg> SCAN: <arg> STEP: <arg> TRANSPORT: <arg> TRAY: <arg>  ERROR=TRAY:BOLOGNA
TIME=<value>	Returns the elapsed time for the selected device. (Return from Channel 61 Pulse)  TIME=01:20:33
TITLE=<value>	Returns the Title/Track from the DVD. (Return from channel 62 Pluse)  TTITLE=099
VERSION=<value>	Reports the current version number of the NetLinx module.  <value> : current version number in xx.yy format  VERSION=1.06

**Table 3 - String Feedback Definitions**

## **Programming Notes**

Channel 70 is used to turn polling on and off for the transport status. The default is for this polling to be Off. When On, the transport status is updated once every three seconds. The polling updates the values of channels 240-247. Otherwise, these channels are only updated to indicate that the corresponding transport command has been received and queued for execution.

## **Adding Functions to Modules**

### **Commands to the device**

This module supplies a mechanism to allow additional device features to be added to software using the module. This is the PASSTHRU command, which allows protocol strings to be passed through the module. The device-specific protocol must be known in order to use this feature.

As an example, suppose that a module for a projector has not implemented the 'white balance adjustment' feature. The command that the projector protocol requires is 03H, 10H, 05H, 14H, followed by a checksum. The documentation for the PASSTHRU command specifies that the module will automatically generate the checksum. In this case, the following string should be sent from the UI code to implement 'white balance adjustment'.

```
send_string vdvDevice, "PASSTHRU=',$03,$10,$05,$14"
```

The reason to use PASSTHRU instead of sending a protocol string directly to the device port is that the device may require command queuing, calculation of checksums, or other internal processing, which would not be done if the string was sent directly. Because of this, it is best to filter all communication TO the device through the module. (The module documentation will indicate any processing that will be automatically done to the PASSTHRU string like checksum calculation.)

### **Additional Feedback from the device**

The module documentation indicates what feedback is provided. If additional feedback is required, a CREATE\_BUFFER for the device must be implemented in the user code to process the strings from the device manually. Note that the module will still be processing the response strings independently and sending the interpreted feedback up to the user code.