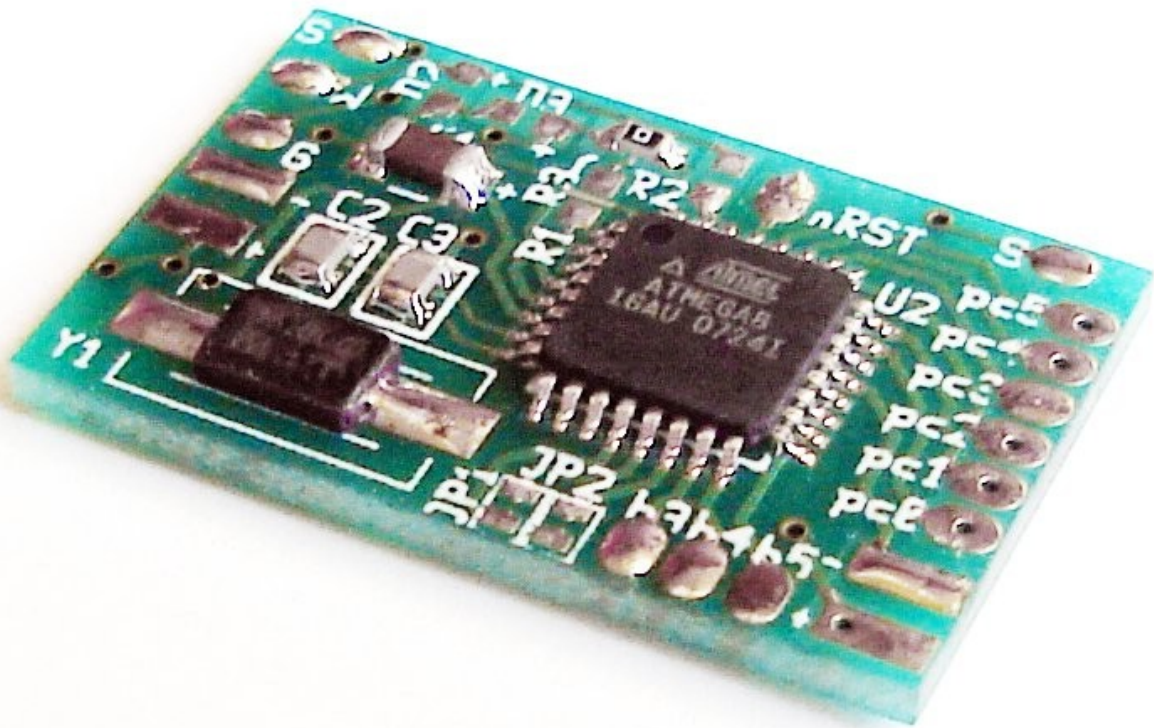


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Nes/Snes to GC/Wii

Pre-assembled PCB
(part no. #BRD-NSNES-GCWII)



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1) Introduction

1.1) Product summary

This small circuit's purpose is to convert either a NES or SNES compatible game controller to the Gamecube/Wii controller protocol. This circuit can be easily installed inside an original controller or can be used to build an adapter.

1.2) Button mapping

Gamecube	NES	Snes	SNES in NES mode
Start	Start	Start	Start
Z	Select	Select	Select
D-Pad	D-Pad	D-Pad	D-Pad
Y		Y	
X		X	
B	B	B	Y
A	A	A	B
C-Stick right	A+B+Select+left	L+R+Select+left	
L+R	A+B+Select+Up		

“SNES in NES mode” is useful for playing NES games with an SNES controller. This mode is enabled by holding start while connecting the adapter.

Mappings with a colored background are for special purposes such as opening emulator menus. When of these combinations is detected, the adapter sends the corresponding gamecube event and waits until all buttons are released before continuing to work normally.

1.3) Supported consoles

At the moment, the adapter is known to work on the following setups:

- Gamecube games on Gamecube
- Gamecube games on Wii
- Wii virtual console games
- raphnet.net N64/GC to USB adapter.

Note: Keep in mind that the NES/SNES controller d-pad is mapped to the Gamecube d-pad. The analog stick cannot be controller by NES/SNES controllers.

1.4) Supported controllers

- Original and third party NES controllers.
- Original and third party SNES controllers.

(Any peripheral acting as a normal controller is expected to work).

1.5) Unsupported controllers

Since the following are not normal controllers they are not supported:

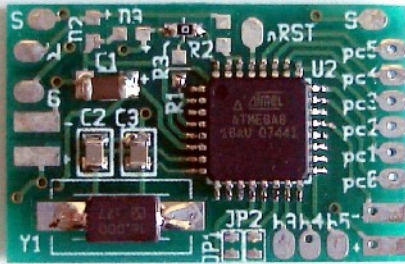
- NES Zapper
- SNES mouse
- SNES Super scope
- Multi-taps (NES or SNES)

(The list above is not meant to be complete. All peripherals not acting as normal controllers are not supported.)

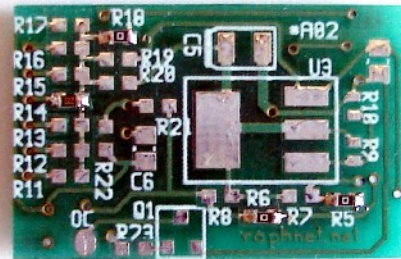
2) Getting started

2.1) What you should have received

1. One two-sided PCB. Note that the actual placement and quantity of components, as well as the PCB artwork itself are subject to changes.



Top layer



Bottom layer

2.2) Required material (not included)

1. Soldering equipment.
2. Basic electronic tools. (cutters, wire stripper, tweezers)
3. Multimeter for testing continuity.
4. Gamecube connector. eg: Controller cable or controller extension.
5. If you plan to build an adapter (instead installing the circuit inside a controller), you will need a connector that mates with your NES or SNES controller. This can come from an extension cord or a (broken) console.
6. If building an adapter, some kind of enclosure to protect the circuit is highly recommended. This is especially important to prevent the circuit from coming in contact with anything metallic such as a computer case. This could cause a short circuit which could likely cause damages to the circuit and/or your computer, depending on circumstances.

2.3) Recommended equipment

1. Desoldering braid (just in case)
2. Hot glue gun and Hot glue (to prevent the wires from eventually breaking at the point where they are soldered). Especially important if the wires may bend near their solder point.

2.4) Overview of installation

1. Start by carefully planning how you will install the circuit inside the controller (or your enclosure). Make sure you dont cut the wires too short and that the circuit will not be in the way when you put back the cover.
2. Select controller type (see section 3)
3. Solder the Gamecube wires (see section 4)
4. Solder the NES and SNES wires (see section 4)
5. Double check wiring and inspect for shorts. Double-checking with a multimeter is recommended if you have any doubts.
6. Test on a console.
7. Install hot glue over the solder points.
8. Insulate any metal part in the vicinity (e.g. Cable shields, unused wires, enclosure...) which could come in contact with the Circuit. Use electric tape or hot glue.
9. Finish the installation. (Close enclosure)
10. Play!

3) Controller type selection

The circuit supports 3 different modes (SNES, NES and DB9 mode). The mode is selected by connecting (or not connecting) parts of JP1 and JP2. JP1 and JP2 are checked by the firmware at power-up or reset.

3.1) Enabling SNES mode

Snes mode is enabled by not connecting anything.



3.2) Enabling NES mode

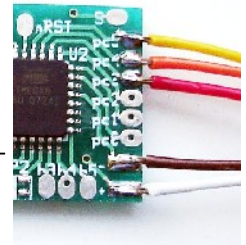
Nes mode is enabled by connecting JP1 pads together.



4) Assembly

4.1) Soldering SNES controller wires

As far as I am aware, Nintendo brand controllers all use the same color code. Many clones also use this convention too, but not all. If your controller uses the standard color code, you can follow the diagram on the right. *(Note that the SNES and NES color codes are different).*



If you're not sure about your controller, check it's pinout with a multimeter and use the table and picture below for wiring:

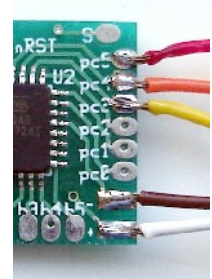
Pin	Function	Standard color	Connect to
1	5 volts	White	+
2	Clock	Yellow	PC5
3	Latch	Orange	PC4
4	Data	Red	PC3
7	Ground	Brown	-



Note: Pin numbers were arbitrarily assigned. They do not match any known standard or convention.

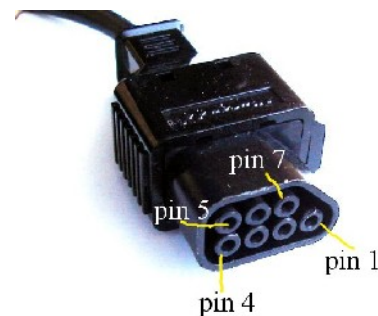
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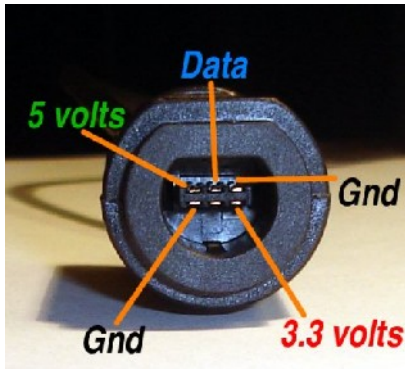


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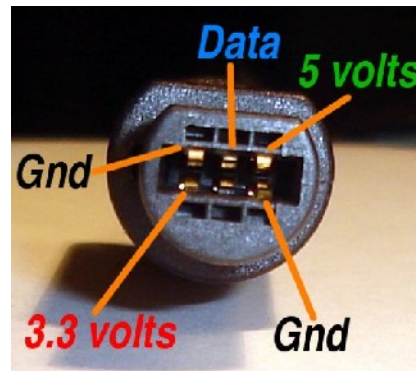
4.3) Gamecube controller pinout

Due to the high number of different controller and extension brands which use varying color schemes, I cannot provide an universal wiring diagram based on wire colors.

The safest way to find out how to wire your controller or adapter is to figure out the color code yourself with the help of a multimeter and the diagrams below:



Gamecube socket pinout (or looking into the console)

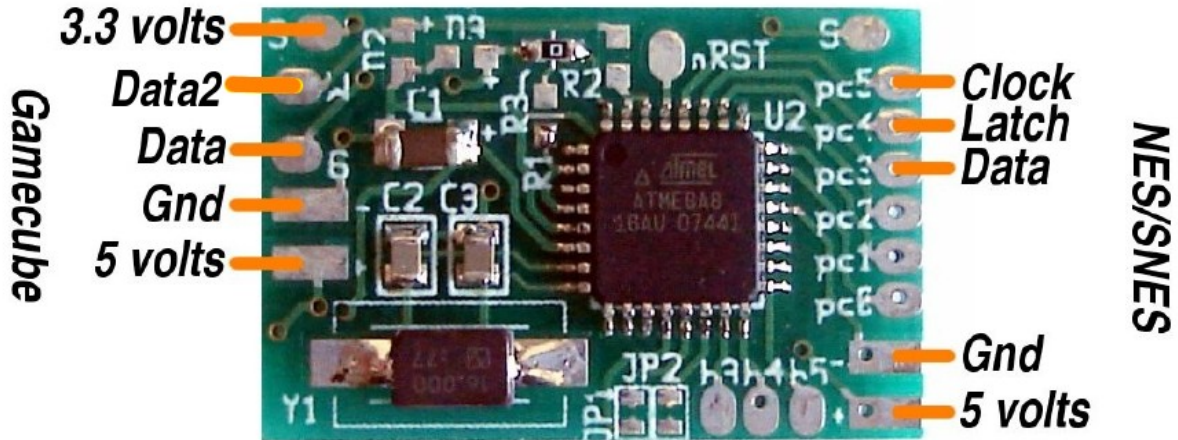


Gamecube plug pinout (or looking into controller cable)

IMPORTANT: Colors in the diagrams above are **NOT** representative of the wire colors in the cable. Do **NOT** follow this color code.

4.4) PCB wiring diagram

Once you know which wire does what in your cable, solder them to the appropriate locations on the PCB:



IMPORANT: If your PCB is identified by “#239004 r5” on the bottom side, you must wire the Gamecube data wire to the location with the 'Data2' label.

Hints:

- Pre-tinning solder points on the PCB and the wires greatly eases soldering.
- Twists the two Gamecube **Gnd** wires together and pre-tin them before soldering both of them on the PCB.

5) Copyright, Disclaimer and History

5.1) Copyright

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5.3) Firmware License and source code

The firmware source code is available under the terms of the GPL license and may be downloaded from:

- http://www.raphnet.net/electronique/x2wii/index_en.php

5.4) Revision history

February 17, 2008	First version of this manual.
January 18, 2012	Update for new GC data wiring