1.) Find device designation of eMMC Module and unmount

lsblk device sdX should match the size of your eMMC Module

sudo umount /dev/sdX1 unmount the eMMC Module

2.) Zero the beginning of the SD card

sudo dd if=/dev/zero of=/dev/sdX bs=1M count=32

3.) Start fdisk to partition the SD card

sudo fdisk /dev/sdX type o this will clear out any partitions on the drive

type **p** to list partitions, there should be no partitions left type **n**, then **p** for primary, **1** for the first partition on the drive, **32768** for the first sector, and then press ENTER to accept the default last sector, then write the partition table and exit by typing **w**

4.) Create the ext4 filesystem

sudo mkfs.ext4 /dev/sdX1

5.) Mount the filesystem

mkdir root this is in your home directory! → /home/youruser/root sudo mount /dev/sdX1 /home/youruser/root

6.) Download and extract the root filesystem (as root, not via sudo)

wget http://os.archlinuxarm.org/os/ArchLinuxARM-aarch64-latest.tar.gz sudo bsdtar -xpf ArchLinuxARM-aarch64-latest.tar.gz -C /home/youruser/root

7.) Download the boot.scr script for U-Boot and place it in the /boot directory

sudo wget http://os.archlinuxarm.org/os/rockchip/boot/rock64/boot.scr -O /home/youruser/root/boot/boot.scr

8.) Unmount the partition

sudo umount /home/youruser/root

9.) Download and install the U-Boot bootloader

wget http://os.archlinuxarm.org/os/rockchip/boot/rock64/rksd_loader.img wget http://os.archlinuxarm.org/os/rockchip/boot/rock64/u-boot.itb sudo dd if=rksd_loader.img of=/dev/sdX seek=64 conv=notrunc sudo dd if=u-boot.itb of=/dev/sdX seek=16384 conv=notrunc

10.) Install eMMC Module onto Rock64 Board, connect HDMI, ethernet, USB Keyboard and power up System is setup with 2 users "alarm" and "root", log-in details as below:

user: alarm password: alarm root

Change generic root password to your own version (log-in as root).

passwd

11.) Check the MAC address, may need spoofing if address is da:19:c8:7a:6d:f4 or a2:ce:c4:4a:ae:e4

ifconfig ip link show eth0

to check for device name

replace eth0 with your device name given by step above

If you MAC address is da:19:c8:7a:6d:f4 or a2:ce:c4:4a:ae:e4 then do steps below, or network won't work!

nano /etc/systemd/network/00-default.link

[Match]

MACAddress=da:19:c8:7a:6d:f4

[Link]

MACAddress=da:19:c8:7a:6d:f5

NamePolicy=kernel database onboard slot path

change the last 3 bits to your liking,

DO NOT change the first 3 bits (reserved Manufacturer)

reboot

once board is up, check with ip link show eth0 for success

12.) Initialize the pacman keyring and populate the Arch Linux ARM package signing keys

pacman-key --init

pacman-key --populate archlinuxarm

13.) Install the U-Boot package

rm /boot/boot.scr pacman -Sy uboot-rock64

when prompted, press **y** and hit enter to write the latest bootloader to the eMMC Module

reboot

14.) Update the system

pacman -Syuu

reboot

15.) Set network to static IP address and change default hostname

nano /etc/hostname replace "alarm" with your version

nano /etc/systemd/network/eth.network check with ifconfig first for device name!

[Match]

Name=eth*

[Network] DHCP=no DNSSEC=no

Address=192.168.1.xxx/24

Gateway=192.168.1.xxx

DNS=192.168.1.xxx

replace xxx with your desired sub-address

nano /etc/resolv.conf should be nameserver 192.168.1.xxx

reboot once board is up, check with ifconfig for success

16.) Change user from "alarm" to your choice and enable 'sudo' comand (log-in as root).

id alarm
usermod -l youruser alarm
usermod -d /home/youruser -m youruser
groupmod -n youruser alarm
id youruser
ls -ld /home/ youruser

pacman -S sudo

nano /etc/sudoers

scroll down to User privilege specification copy root for your specific username and save

exit and log-in as youruser and change passwd from alarm to yours

17.) Generate an UK English locale file

locale -a

sudo nano /etc/locale.gen

locale-gen

check if any locale is installed

uncomment en_GB.UTF-8 UTF-8

to generate British English locale file

Done, enjoy your setup.

