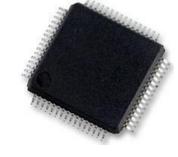


VPX IPM Controller Data Sheet

Key features

- > Compliant to IPMI 2.0
- > Compliant to VITA46.11-2022
- > SOSA Aligned
- > HPM.1 firmware upgrade
- > Easy to integrate
- > Evaluation Board Available
- > Reference Designs Provided
- > GUI software for configuration
- > Cost Effective:
- No upfront costs for standard version
- > No royalties
- Analog inputs for voltage, current or temperature measurements
- External I2C for temperature measurements and communication with payload
- LEDs and payload power control outputs
- Runs on top of FreeRTOS operating system
- Various hardware platforms available ranging from a 64pins TQFP ARM Cortex M33 LPC55S28 microcontroller to a MPFS250T-FCVG484EES PolarFire SOC FPGA



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1 Description

The Intelligent Protocol Management Controller (IPMC) Software allows quick development of boards without prior IPMI knowledge. It provides all the mandatory IPMI functionality required by VITA46.11 specification and supports also optional features like Firewall and NVM Write protection Commands.

There are two purchase options for IPMC software: software delivered on preprogrammed microcontrollers or IPMC software source code license. Both are accompanied by reference schematics and a complete set of GUI compilers for the SDR and FRU files.

The IPMC Software is written in "C" and runs on top of FreeRTOS operating system. It is compliant to VITA46.11-2022, IPMI 2.0, PICMG HPM.1 and is aligned to SOSA specification.

The IPMC Software supports a predefined set of sensors: temperature, voltage, current, fan, GPIO or OEM sensors. This are selected and configured through a standard IPMI SDRs (Sensor Data Record) file. Beside required IPMB-0 interface (two IPMI busses A and B), the IPMC supports also an I2C SSIF interface, a serial IPMI interface which supports Basic Mode IPMI communication and one serial CLI debug interface.

The software could be easily upgraded in the field, through the Chassis Manager, using HPM.1 protocol.

The IPMC Software is a cost-effective solution that enables very fast development of VPX boards. There are no royalties. The standard version of the IPMC Software can be customized to fulfill any requirements.

For each supported hardware platform there are evaluation boards available.

Evaluation board for PolarFire SOC Implementation: Icicle Kit

Evaluation board for LPC55S28 Implementation: Oder code P16089-A Evaluation board for Kinetis K22 Implementation: Oder code P16071-C



Illustration 1: IPMC Evaluation Board



2 Supported IPMI Commands

The VPX IPMC was developed based on the IPMI v2.0 and ANSI/VITA 46.11 specification and is aligned to SOSA specification.

IPM Device "Global" Commands	NetFn	CMD	
Get Device ID	Арр	01h	
Cold Reset	Арр	02h	
Get Self Test Results	Арр	04h	
Master Write Read	Арр	52h	
Firewall	NetFn	CMD	
Get NetFn Support	Арр	09h	
Get Command Support	Арр	0Ah	
Get Command Sub-function Support	Арр	0Bh	
Get Configurable Commands	Арр	0Ch	
Get Configurable Command Sub-Functions	Арр	0Dh	
Set Command Enables	Арр	60h	
Get Command Enables	Арр	61h	
Set Configurable Command Sub-function Enables	Арр	62h	
Get Configurable Command Sub-function Enables	Арр	63h	
Get OEM NetFn IANA Support	Арр	64h	
Event Commands	NetFn	CMD	
Set Event Receiver	S/E	00h	
Get Event Receiver	S/E	01h	
Platform Event	S/E	02h	
Sensor Device Commands	NetFn	CMD	
Get Device SDR Info	S/E	20h	
Get Device SDR	S/E	21h	
Reserve Device SDR Repository	S/E	22h	
Set Sensor Hysteresis	S/E	24h	
Get Sensor Hysteresis	S/E	25h	
Set Sensor Threshold	S/E	26h	
Get Sensor Threshold	S/E	27h	
Set Sensor Event Enable	S/E	28h	
Get Sensor Event Enable	S/E	29h	
Get Sensor Reading	S/E	2Dh	
FRU Device Commands	NetFn	CMD	
Get FRU Inventory Area Info	Storage	10h	
Read FRU Data	Storage	11h	



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Table 1: List of Supported Commands



3 Board Configuration

The VPX test card configuration is comprised by two files: FRU information and Sensor information (SDR repository).

3.1 FRU Information

The VPX test card will be used in an IPMI environment. In order to interact to the other FRUs in the system, the board will have to host a FRU information file. This type of file contains important identification information for the board:

- Part Number
- ▲ Serial Number
- ▲ Revision
- Manufacturing data

All the required information can be saved in the FRU file format using the GUI FRU compiler.

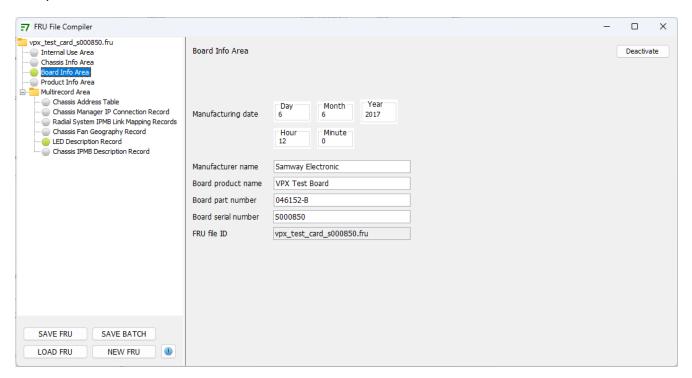


Illustration 4: GUI FRU Compiler Example



3.2 Sensor Information

By default, the VPX IPMI software supports a predefined set of sensors. Each supported sensor has a unique sensor number and, if implemented, it shall have a Sensor Data Record (SDR) definition. Using the set of SDRs the IPMI software knows what sensors are implemented on a card and knows how to monitor them.

All software releases regardless of the hardware platform used support the VITA 46.11 Mandatory sensors:

IPMI Sensor Number	Sensor Type
0	FRU State
1	System IPMB
2	FRU Health
3	FRU Voltage
4	FRU Temp
5	Payload Test Result
6	Payload Test Status
7	Payload Mode

Depending on the hardware platform each implementation can support additional sensors. The pre-programmed LPC55S28 microcontrollers support up to 5 analog sensors, which can be any type of sensor with an analog output, for example: voltage sensor (resistor divider or IC), temperature sensor (thermistor or IC), PHT sensor, light sensor etc; and 4 digital (I2C) temperature sensors equivalent with TMP100 (ex: TMPx75, LM75).

A list of all the available sensors for the LPC55S28 device and details regarding MCU ports and test card ports is available in the below table:

IPMI Sensor Number	Sensor Type	MCU Port	Test Card Port	Test Card Sensor Config
20	Analog input	PIO0_23	VITA46 [P0]/ -12V_AUX	Voltage
21	Analog input	PIO0_16	VITA46 [P0]/ VS1	Voltage
22	Analog input	PIO0_15	VITA46 [P0]/ +12V_AUX	Voltage
23	Analog input	PIO0_31	VITA46 [P0]/ VS2	Voltage
24	Analog input	PIO1_0	VITA46 [P0]/ VS3	Voltage
32	Digital [I2C] temperature Addr: 0x90h [8 bit]	PIO0_19 [SCL] PIO0_27 [SDA]	J2 [pin 1]/ PRIVATE_SCL J2 [pin 2]/ PRIVATE_SDA	TMP100NA U4



33	Digital [I2C] temperature Addr: 0x92h [8 bit]	PIO0_19 [SCL] PIO0_27 [SDA]	J2 [pin 1]/ PRIVATE_SCL J2 [pin 2]/ PRIVATE_SDA	-
34	Digital [I2C] temperature Addr: 0x94h [8 bit]	PIO0_19 [SCL] PIO0_27 [SDA]	J2 [pin 1]/ PRIVATE_SCL J2 [pin 2]/ PRIVATE_SDA	-
35	Digital [I2C] temperature Addr: 0x96h [8 bit]	PIO0_19 [SCL] PIO0_27 [SDA]	J2 [pin 1]/ PRIVATE_SCL J2 [pin 2]/ PRIVATE_SDA	-

Table 2: List of Supported Sensors

4 Configuring Sensors

The IPMC uses standard, IPMI compliant SDR records to monitor the board parameters.

The SDR repository of a board will be a software image of the hardware sensors. For each board there may be a different set-up as the requirements are different. So, in order to allow a quick and simple set-up, a GUI SDR compiler is provided.

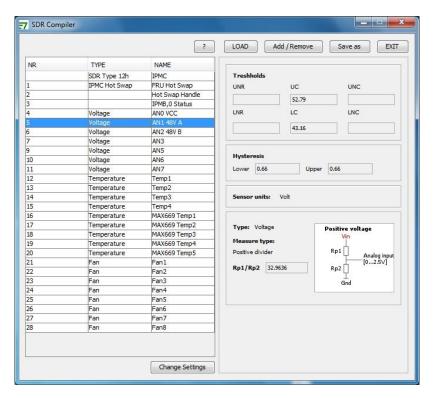


Illustration 7: SDR Compiler Main Interface

Using the GUI compiler, a subset of all supported sensors can be defined by a simple select operation.

After the SDR set has been defined, all the sensors can be customized:



threshold and hysteresis values can be changed for analog sensors.

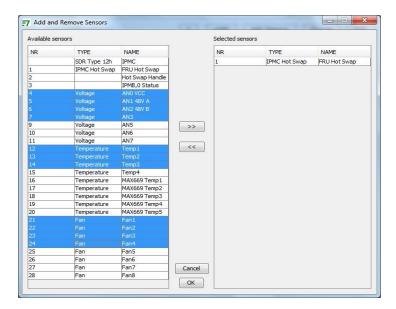


Illustration 10: Selecting a subset of sensors

names can be changed for all sensors.

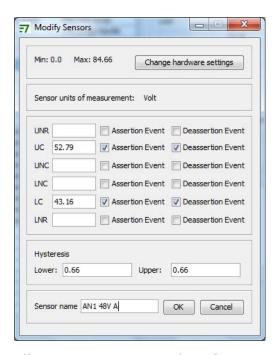


Illustration 13: Window for changing parameters for a analog sensor



for the analog inputs the raw SDR can be inputted manually.

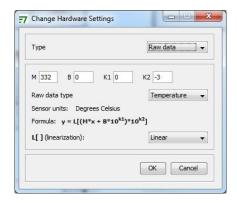


Illustration 16: Various Embedded Formula selection screens

5 Payload Signals

Signal Name	Туре	Active level	Description
PP_RST	Output	High	Payload reset signal
Private_SCL	In-Out		I2C serial clock
Private_SDA	In-Out		I2C serial data
SHDN_REQ#	Output	Low	When active, signals the payload that a shutdown has been requested
SHDN_RDY#	Input	Low	Asserted by payload when is ready to shut down. Pull signal down if not used
PP_OFF#	Output	Low	When asserted turns off payload power
PowerGood	Input	High	Asserted by payload when all voltages are good. Pull signal high if not used

Table 6: Payload available Signals

6 Payload shutdown protocol

The Payload Signals are used by the IPMC to communicate to the payload. As part of this communication, the IPMC implements a protocol for shutting down / powering on the payload when the IPMC is deactivated / activated.

At start-up the IPMC fist check the state of PP_OFF# signal. If it is low, pulled by pull-down resistor if PCA9536 is not configured, or signal is driven low by PCA9536, the IPMC asserts PP_RST signal. After this PP_OFF# signal is released and PowerGood is monitored after 10ms timeout. When PowerGood is sampled high, the PP_RST is deasserted.



The shutdown protocol uses 2 output signals (SHDN_REQ#, PP_OFF#) and 1 input (SHDN_RDY#) signal. These signals are implemented on an optional PCA9536 I/O expander. If the shutdown option is not needed, the I/O expander may not be placed into design.

If the payload shutdown I/O expander is implemented the shutdown function could be further disabled/enabled in software, using the *settings payload_sd en | di* command. (Changes done to the settings have to be saved to the non-volatile area using the *saveenv* command to become permanent). By default, the protocol is disabled.

When the IPMC is activated the PP_OFF# signal will be deaserted so the payload will start receiving power.

When the I/O expander is implemented, and shutdown protocol is disabled, the IPMC cannot be deactivated. Otherwise, before completing the deactivation, the IPMC will shut down the payload according to the diagram bellow:

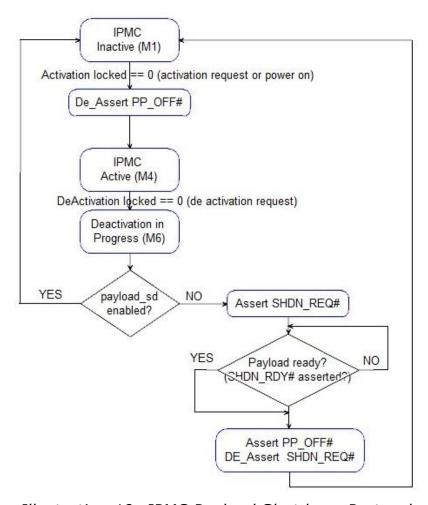


Illustration 19: IPMC Payload Shutdown Protocol

When a deactivation request is received, and the protocol is enabled the IPMC will move to M6 and signal to the payload that a shutdown has been requested: SHDN_REQ# will be asserted (the signal will become low). The IPMC will wait for the payload to finish the shutdown before advancing to the next state. When the payload has finished the shutdown, it will inform the IPMC by asserting the SHDN_RDY# signal. At this point the IPMC will assert the PP_OFF# signal to turn off the power to the payload and deassert the SHDN_REQ# signal as the



shutdown process has been finished. Next the IPMC will advance to M1 as the deactivation has been accomplished.

7 Command Line Interface (CLI)

The IPMC provides a RS232 serial interface through which the commands of the Command Line Interface (CLI) can be sent.

On Windows systems, we recommend the use of "Tera Term" or "Hyperterminal" as the terminal programs.

Terminal settings:

115200 bits per second

data bits: 8parity: nonestop bit: 1

For file transfer the CLI implements the <u>xmodem</u> protocol.

8 List of CLI commands

8.1 bit command

Syntax: bit

Function: Displays Power-On Built In Test (PBIT) or Continuous Built In Test (CBIT) results.

8.2 channel command

Syntax: channel

Function: Displays IPMC's supported communication channels and their interfaces

8.3 dir command

Syntax: dir [<drive>:]

Function: Displays a list of existing files on each drive.

Drive C is used for storing FRU information file, SDR file and xmodem updates for them %>dir



LocalSDR: the SDR file currently used

fru: the FRU information file currently used

fru#: update file for the FRU information file. Will be applied at the next power on

sdr. update file for the SDR. Will be applied at the next power on

Drive D is used for storing a firmware update image before applying it.

%>dir d:

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Drive D:\ 1048576 bytes: 16 blocks of 65536 bytes each 01.01.2012 07:12:31 210048 backupfirmware
```

Drive E is used for storing logging and misc data.

%>dir e:

8.4 drives command

Syntax: drives

Function: Displays a list of the existing drives.

%>drives

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Drive D:\ 1048576 bytes: 16 blocks of 65536 bytes each Drive C:\ 524288 bytes: 128 blocks of 4096 bytes each Drive E:\ 65536 bytes: 16 blocks of 4096 bytes each
```

8.5 firewall command

Syntax:

firewall bridged channel < channel_no> (policy | passtrhough) [< value>]

Function: Displays or sets firewall and bridged firewall configuration.

Firewall is used to enable or disable commands, or command sub-functions, to be executed by IPMC. The configuration is made for each channel and applies only to request messages received on that channel.



Bridged firewall applies to messages forwarded by IPMC from one channel to another, using Send Message command. The configuration is based on destination channel.

Command keywords:

Bridged – if bridged parameter is entered the command will get or change the bridged firewall configuration. If bridged parameter is missing, the command will get or set the firewall configuration.

channel – the message request source channel for firewall configuration or the message destination channel for bridged message

netfn – network function

lun – LUN number. If LUN parameter is not present it is assumed to be 0

command – command number

oemgroup – group number for netfn 0x2C or oem IANA private enterprise number for netfn 0x2E

enable - enables the specified command

disable - disables the specified command

subfn
 sitmask> - stets the sub-function mask bits. Parameter bitmask could be one or two 32 bits numbers, representing the sub-function mask.

Command options:

firewall [bridged] channel < channel_no>

This command returns all netfn supported on a given channel

firewall [bridged] channel < channel_no> netfn < netfn_no>

This format of firewall command returns all commands supported on a given channel – netfn combination and the current status: enabled or disabled. Some enabled commands are not configurable and cannot be disabled.

firewall [bridged] channel <channel_no> netfn <netfn_no> [lun <lun_no>] command <cmd no>

This syntax returns detailed information about a command: status, privilege level, command name and supported sub-functions details, if the command has sub-functions

firewall [bridged] channel <channel_no> netfn <netfn_no> [lun <lun_no>] command <cmd_no> enable

Enables the specified command is the command is supported and configurable

firewall [bridged] channel <channel_no> netfn <netfn_no> [lun <lun_no>] command <cmd_no> disable

Disables the specified command is the command is supported and configurable

firewall [bridged] channel <channel_no> netfn <netfn_no> [lun <lun_no>] command <cmd_no> subfn <bitmask>



set a command sub-function mask according to bitmask value. The bitmask could one 32 bits number or two 32 bits numbers, in case the commands support extended sub-functions (up to 64 subfunctions)

firewall bridged channel < channel_no> policy [< value>]

This command returns or sets (if value provided) the policy bits for bridged messages. The policy value is a 3 bits mask, where:

bit 2 allows, if set, unknown requests (commands which are not "known" by bridged firewall) to be forwarded to selected channel

firewall bridged channel < channel_no> passtrhough [< value>]

This command returns or sets (if value provided) the passthrough value for bridged messages. The passthrough value is a bit mask, where each bit represents a channel.

In case a bit is set, the commands originating for that channel are forwarded to destination channel <channel_no> directly, without applying the bridged firewall rules.

8.6 fruinfo command

Syntax: fruinfo

Function: Displays the information stored in the on-board FRU Information file.

8.7 help command

Syntax: help

Function: Displays a list of the available commands.

8.8 info command

Syntax: info

Function: Displays IPMC's IPMB address and boot count

8.9 ipmb command

Syntax: ipmb

Function: Displays the state of the IPMB A and IPMB B buses and number of detected errors.

8.10 logout command

Syntax: logout

Function: logs out current user and starts the login procedure



8.11 nvm command

Syntax:

nvm [destination (embedded) [(protect|unprotect) identification |configuration | log)]] | [category (identification|configuration|log) [(protect|unprotect) (embedded)]]

Function: Get or set the local NVM write protect configuration which is used when NVMRO is not protecting the global memories.

The **nvm** command allows the memory to be protected based on destination: embedded, local, remote or by category: identification, configuration, log. The current IPMC implementation has only embedded memory, therefore only embedded keyword is shown.

Example:

%>nvm destination embedded Write protected categories: none

Write unprotected categories: identification, configuration, logs

%>nvm category configuration protect embedded

Done!

This command variant protects the configuration category located inside embedded memory.

8.12 payload_reset

Syntax: payload_reset [<timeout_tens_of_ms>]

Function: Asserts the payload reset signal, keeps it active for the time value entered as a parameter and then de-assert it.

8.13 privatei2c

Syntax: privatei2c [r read_len] hex_data

Function: Writes or reads data using I2C on the private bus.

For reading the syntax is: privatei2c r read_len hex_data

Ex1: reading 2 bytes of data after settings a 2 bytes register pointer to value 0x88AA for an I2C slave identified by a 8 bit address of 0xC0

privatei2c r 2 0xC0 0xAA 0x88

For writing the syntax is: privatei2c hex data

Ex1: writing 3 bytes of data 0x332211 to an I2C slave identified by a 8 bit address of 0xC0 privatei2c 0xC0 0x11 0x22 0x33

8.14 reboot command

Syntax: reboot

Function: Restarts the IPMC

Example: %>reboot

System will restart! Please wait...



8.15 saveeny command

Syntax: saveenv

Function: Saves configuration parameters in the non-volatile memory, if the memory is not

write-protected

8.16 sel command

Syntax: sel [(ageing en|di)] | [clr] | [print [startup | (<start_index> [<count>])]]
Function: Prints the local System Event Log (SEL), clears it or enable disable ageing

8.17 sensor command

Syntax: sensor [sensor_no set <sensor_value>]

Function: If used without any parameter the command displays information for the installed set of sensors.

Example:

* 6 Payld Tst Status Done* 7 Payload Mode P2

The command can also be used for updating the value of sensors that have been defines as settable in the SDR. The value inputed as parameter will be converted to raw using the SDR formula before being applied. The syntax for setting the sensor value is:

sensor <sensor_no> set <sensor_value> Ex1: setting value 55 to payload sensor 101 sensor 101 set 55

8.18 settings command

Syntax: settings [(act_locked | deact_ignored enable|disable)]

Function: displays or changes the current IPMC settings

act_locked: non-volatile value for the Default Activation Locked bit. If activation is locked, the board will stay in M1 (payload power OFF) until it is enabled by Chassis Manager.

deact_ignored: non-volatile value for the Deactivation Ignored bit. If this bit is set a deactivation command is ignored.



8.19 uptime command

Syntax: uptime

Function: Displays the amount of time which has passed since the IPMC became operational.

Example: %>uptime

Uptime=0 days 03:05:12

8.20 user command

Syntax: user [<id> [(enable|disable) | (username < new_name>) | (password

<new_password>)]]

Function: Displays information about supported users, change usernames and passwords

8.21 version command

Syntax: version

Function: Displays various information about the IPMC: firmware version, Hardware Id, Tier

level

Example: %>version

IPMC VPX FW 2.3 V2

Hardware Id: 4

Tier 2

Hardware Address: 0x44 IPMB Address: 0x88

8.22 xmodem command

Syntax: xmodem fru [fru_no] | sdr

Function: Upload the FRU or SDR file to the IPMC using the xmodem protocol

Example:
%>xmodem fru
Please upload the file...

%>...Done!

9 Update Procedure

9.1 Updating the Firmware

The Firmware of the IPMC can be updated using the on-board bootloader.

For uploading a file the following steps are required:

- △ Connect to the CLI interface(**Terminal settings:** 115200 bits per second, data bits: 8, parity: none, stop bit: 1)
- Stop the bootloader by pressing 'x'



♣ Issue the xmodem firmware command

%> xmodem firmware

- △ Upload the *.firm file using the terminal program
- After the file transfer is completed the firmware will be updated.

For boards running bootloader versions older than **Rev 1.00 b 6** the *.firm file must be selected within 15 seconds from the moment xmodem firmware command is sent, otherwise the update process won't start. From Rev 1.00 b 6 and beyond the time was increased to 1 minute.

For boards that came preloaded with firmware, in order to access the bootloader, the following steps are required:

Login to gain access to all commands, by sending following commands:

%>logout

Input login credentials

Default credentials (case sensitive):

Login:admin

Password:ADMIN

- Send "reboot -b" command.
- When the board reboots stop the bootloader by pressing 'x' before countdown ends.

For boards that came preloaded with firmware **Rev 1.0 b 12** or newer the "**xmodem firmware**" command cand be issued from the firmware CLI (login required); there is no need to upload the new *.firm file via bootloader. After uploading image from main firmware, a reboot (send "**reboot**" command) is mandatory in order for the upgrade to complete.



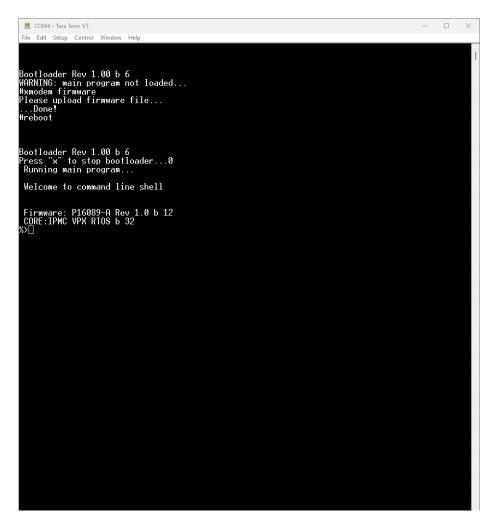


Figure 9: Firmware update example

9.2 Updating the FRU and SDR files

In order to configure the IPMC two files are required: the FRU and SDR file. Both can be easily created using the GUI software suites that accompany the IPMC: FRU File compiler and SDR File compiler.

Creating new files or modifying old ones is really straight forward due to the graphical interface. For more details on all the available options please refer to the respective software user manuals.

After the files are created they have to be uploaded using the CLI.

For uploading a file the following steps are required:

- 1. Connect to the CLI interface
- 2. Issue the **xmodem** command, using the correct parameter:

%> xmodem fru | sdr

3. Upload the file using the terminal program



4. After the file transfer is completed a confirmation message will be displayed. At this point the file has been saved and a reboot is required in order to activate the changes.

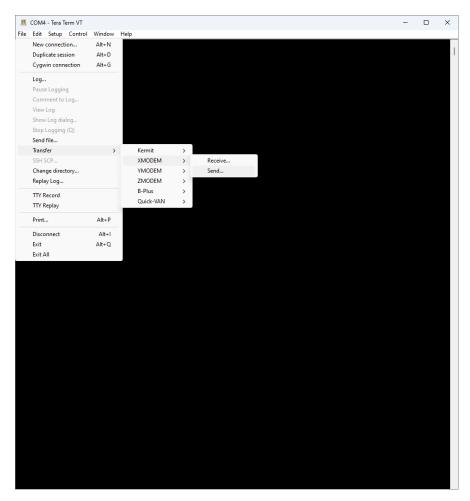


Figure 10: Tera Term Screen shot for sending a file using xmodem

10 Order code

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