

TOPST VCP FreeRTOS SDK Getting Started

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1 Introduction

This document provides guidelines for setting up a software development environment for the TOPST VCP-G board on a Linux system. It outlines the required tools, configurations, and toolchain.

2 SETTING HOST ENVIRONMENT

2.1 Ubuntu Installation

It is recommended to set up your development environment on Ubuntu 22.04. This Ubuntu version offers a stable platform with wide community support, ensuring compatibility and ease of use with the TOPST VCP-G board and associated toolchain.

Linux distribution version:

■ Ubuntu 22.04 (LTS)

2.2 Install WSL2 Ubuntu (Windows Environment Only)

Note: If you are using Ubuntu host, you can skip installing WSL2.

- 1. Set Windows Features by clicking Control Panel → Programs → Windows Features On/Off → Enable Virtual Machine Platform & Hyper-V
- 2. Execute Windows Powershell with "Run with administrator privileges".
- 3. Enable WSL.

dism.exe /online /enable-feature /featurename:Microsoft-Windows-Subsystem-Linux /all /norestart

4. Enable the Virtual Machine feature.

dism.exe /online /enable-feature /featurename:VirtualMachinePlatform /all /norestart

5. Set WSL to the default version of 2 (WSL2).

wsl --set-default-version 2

- 6. Search for Ubuntu 22.04 LTS in Microsoft Store and download it.
- 7. Check Ubuntu 22.04 in the WSL list.

wsl --list -online

8. Install Ubuntu 22.04

wsl --install Ubuntu-22.04

9. Search for WSL2 in the Windows search box and execute it.

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2.3 Setting Linux Environment

To set up a Linux environment on your host PC, follow these steps:

Execute WSL2 (Windows Environment Only)
 If you are using Windows, start WSL2 by executing one of the following commands in Windows PowerShell.

wsl

ubuntu

2. Update Package List
Before installing any new software, update the list of available packages to ensure you get the latest versions and dependencies. The following command fetches the latest list of available packages from the repositories.

sudo apt update && /
sudo apt upgrade

Install Common Development Tools
 Install common development tools by entering the following command:

sudo apt install build-essential git

Note: This command installs both the build-essential package and git.

3 TOOLCHAIN

The TOPST VCP-G board uses the gcc-linaro-7.2.1-2017.11-x86_64_arm-eabi toolchain.

This toolchain is optimized for the ARM architecture and ensures compatibility with the TCT7045 chip on the TOPST VCP-G board.

3.1 Install and Set Up Toolchain

Follow the steps below to download, extract, and set up the toolchain:

1. **Download the Toolchain**: Enter wget command to download the toolchain from the Linaro website:

wget https://releases.linaro.org/components/toolchain/binaries/7.2-2017.11/arm-eabi/gcc-linaro-7.2.1-2017.11-x86_64_arm-eabi.tar.xz

```
pst@topst-vcp:~$ wget https://releases.linaro.org/components/toolchain/binaries/7.2-2017.11/arm-eabi/gcc-linaro-7.2.1-2017
  x86_64_arm-eabi.tar.xz
 -2024-04-25 15:42:23-- https://releases.linaro.org/components/toolchain/binaries/7.2-2017.11/arm-eabi/gcc-linaro-7.2.1-2017
 esolving releases.linaro.org (releases.linaro.org)... 52.215.200.125
connecting to releases.linaro.org (releases.linaro.org)|52.215.200.125|:443... connected.
 TTP request sent, awaiting response... 302 Found
coation: https://publishing-ie-linaro-org.s3.amazonaws.com/releases/components/toolchain/binaries/7.2-2017.11/arm-eabi/gcc-li
aro-7.2.1-2017.11-x86_64_arm-eabi.tar.xz?Signature=I2XKV7PRnqp3X07GFdHGqTAU8UY%3D&Expires=1714027435&AWSAccessKeyId=AKIAIELX
2RYNAHFUP7A [following]
 -2024-04-25 15:42:25--
                             https://publishing-ie-linaro-org.s3.amazonaws.com/releases/components/toolchain/binaries/7.2-2017.11
 rm-eabi/gcc-linaro-7.2.1-2017.11-x86_64_arm-eabi.tar.xz?Signature=I2XKV7PRnqp3X07GFdHGqTAU8UY$3D&Expires=1714027435&AWSAcces
 eyId=AKIAIELXV2RYNAHFUP7A
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solving publishing-ie-linaro-org.s3.amazonaws.com (publishing-ie-linaro-org.s3.amazonaws.com)... 52.218.44.161, 52.92.32.89
 52.92.0.201, ...
Connecting to publishing-ie-linaro-org.s3.amazonaws.com (publishing-ie-linaro-org.s3.amazonaws.com)|52.218.44.161|:443... con
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
ength: 274983024 (262M) [application/octet-stream]
 aving to: 'gcc-linaro-7.2.1-2017.11-x86_64_arm-eabi.tar.xz'
 cc-linaro-7.2.1-2017.11-x86_64 100%[====
 024-04-25 15:43:19 (4.93 MB/s) - `gcc-linaro-7.2.1-2017.11-x86_64_arm-eabi.tar.xz' saved [274983024/274983024]
```

Figure 3.1 Download Toolchain

2. **Extract the Toolchain**: After the download is complete, extract the contents of the ".tar.xz" file.

```
tar -xvf gcc-linaro-7.2.1-2017.11-x86_64_arm-eabi.tar.xz

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topst@topst-vcp:~$ tar -xvf gcc-linaro-7.2.1-2017.11-x86_64_arm-eabi.tar.xz
```

Figure 3.2 Extract Toolchain

3. **Move the Toolchain to /opt**: The /opt directory is a standard location for optional software on Linux. Move the extracted toolchain to this directory.

sudo mv gcc-linaro-7.2.1-2017.11-x86_64_arm-eabi /opt/

| topst@topst-vcp:-% sudo mv gcc-linaro-7.2.1-2017.11-x86_64_arm-eabi /opt/
| sudo | password for topst:
| topst@topst-vcp:-% |

Figure 3.3 Move Toolchain

3.2 Verify Toolchain

To ensure that the toolchainis installed correctly:

1. Navigate to the Toolchain Directory

```
cd /opt/gcc-linaro-7.2.1-2017.11-x86_64_arm-eabi

# topst@topst-vcp:/opt/gcc-linaro-7.2.1-2017.11-x86_64_arm-eabi

topst@topst-vcp:~$ cd /opt/gcc-linaro-7.2.1-2017.11-x86_64_arm-eabi

topst@topst-vcp:/opt/gcc-linaro-7.2.1-2017.11-x86_64_arm-eabi$
```

Figure 3.4 Navigate to Toolchain Directory

2. Check the Version of the Installed GCC Compiler

Figure 3.5 Check Version of Installed GCC Compiler

After the successful installation, verify theinstalled GCC compiler version to ensure it matches gcc-linaro-7.2.1-2017.11.

4 CLONE SOURCE CODE

This chapter describes how to clone the source code using Git.

5.1 Clone TOPST VCP-G Source Code

To obtain the source code for the TOPST VCP-G board, enter the **git clone** command. This command creates a copy of the remote repository on your local machine, allowing you to work with the code directly.

Follow these steps to clone the TOPST VCP-G source code:

- 1. **Open Terminal**: Launch the terminal application on your Ubuntu 22.04 system.
- 2. **Navigate to the desired directory:** Choose a suitable location to save the source code. For example, if you want to save the repository in the home directory, use the following command.



Figure 4.1 Navigate to Desired Directory

3. Clone the Repository: Use the following command to clone the TOPST VCP-G source code from the provided git address.

```
git clone git@gitlab.com:topst-private-release/vcp.git topst-vcp

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topst@topst-vcp:~$ git clone https://gitlab.com/topst.ai/topst-vcp.git
Cloning into 'topst-vcp'...
remote: Enumerating objects: 537, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (537/537), done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (329/329), done.
remote: Total 537 (delta 188), reused 537 (delta 188), pack-reused 0 (from 0)
Receiving objects: 100% (337/537), 1.58 MiB | 2.43 MiB/s, done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (188/188), done.
topst@topst-vcp:~$
```

Figure 4.2 Clone Repository

4. **Navigate to the Cloned Directory**: After the cloning process is complete, use the following command to navigate to the directory containing the source code.

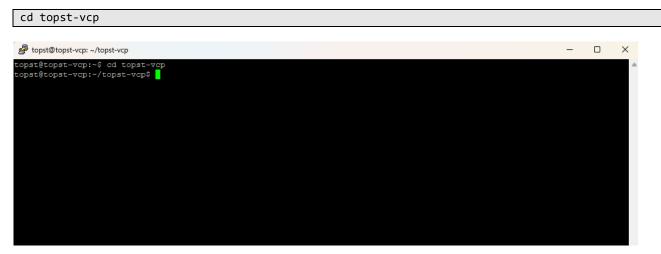


Figure 4.3 Navigate to Cloned Directory

The TOPST VCP-G source code is now available locally for building and development.

5.2 Source Code Structure

After cloning, enter the 1s command to list the directory contents and review key files to understand the source code structure.

Figure 4.4 Source Code Structure

5 BUILD GUIDE

5.1 Makefiles and Build Systems

A Makefile is a key component of many build systems. It contains rules and directives for the **make** utility to compile and link programs. By utilizing a Makefile, you can automate the build process, ensuring consistency and efficiency.

5.2 Initiate Build Process

To build the source code, follow these steps:

1. Navigate to the Build Directory:

```
cd build/tcc70xx/gcc/
```

2. Run the make command:

```
make
```

The make command reads the Makefile in the current directory and executes the build process.

```
topst@topst-vcp: ~/topst-vcp/build/tcc70xx/gcc
  ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/app.base/main.c
   ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/app.can.demo/can_demo.c
  ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/app.console/console.compile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/app.idle/idle.c
     mpile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/app.iperf/iperf_task_v3_0d.c
  ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/app.key/key_adc.c
ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/app.key/key_gpio.c
   ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/app.key/key.c
ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/app.spi.led/spi_led.c
     mpile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.cpu/cpu_test.c
  ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.dse/dse_test.c
ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.eflash/eflash_test.c
  ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.fmu/fmu_test.c
ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.gdma/gdma_test.c
     mpile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.gdma/gdma_ip_test.c
   ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.gic/gic_test.c
ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.gpio/gplo_test.c
  ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.gpsb/gpsb_test.c
ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.hsm/hsm_test.c
ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.i2c/i2c_test.c
  ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.ictc/ictc_test.c
ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.lin/lin_test.c
  ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.pdm/pdm_test.compile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.pmu/pmu_test.compile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.rtc/rtc_test.compile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.rtc/rtc_test.compile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.rtc/rtc_test.compile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.rtc/rtc_test.compile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.rtc/rtc_test.compile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.rtc/rtc_test.compile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.rtc/rtc_test.compile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.rtc/rtc_test.compile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.rtc/rtc_test.compile: /home/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.rtc/rtc_test.compile: /home/test.compile: /h
  ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.sfmc/sfmc_test.c
ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.socket/echo_test.c
     mpile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.timer/timer_test.c
  ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.uart/uart_test.c
ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.wdt/wdt_test.c
  ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.sample/test.app.writelock/writelock_test.compile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.drivers/hsm/tcc70xx/hsm_manager.c
    mpile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.drivers/lin/lin.c
  ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/app.drivers/swl/tcc70xx/swl.c
ompile: /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/dev.drivers/adc/tcc70xx/adc.c
       pile: /home/topst/topst-vop/sources/dev.drivers/can/can.c
upile: /home/topst/topst-vop/sources/dev.drivers/can/can_drv.c
                         /home/topst/topst-vcp/sources/dev.drivers/can/can msg
```

Figure 5.1 Run make Command

- 3. Verify the Build Output: After the build process is complete, the following output files should be listed in the terminal.
 - output/tcc70xx_pflash_boot.rom
 - output/tcc70xx_pflash_boot_2M_ECC.rom
 - output/tcc70xx_pflash_boot_3M_ECC.rom
 - output/tcc70xx_pflash_boot_4M_ECC.rom

```
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    # topst@topst-vcp: ~/topst-vcp/build/tcc70xx/gcc

 Header Size: 4096 byte
(0) FAST READ CMD Set for Chipboot (SPI)
            Code:
Timing:
                                 0x000000E0
0x00040310
            Delay_s:
Dc_clk:
                                 0x00001515
            Run mode:
                                 0x00000001
                                0x840000EB 0x4A000001 0x86000000 0x46002000 0x2A000000 0x21299E27
            CMD CRC:
<SNOR_MAP: 0x00002000 ++0x00040000>
[Write HSM F/W Image ...]
 SNOR MAP: 0x00042000 ++0x00100000>
[Write Secure Micom FW Image ...]
MICOM ROM size: 0xccc00
align_size : 0x000000000, align_addr : 0x0010EC00
 SNOR_MAP: 0x0010EC00 ++0x00030000>
 [Write Micom Updater Image ...]
MICOM Sub f/w size : 0x1B880
 COUTPUT FILE: ../../gcc/output/tcc70xx_pflash_boot_1M_ECC.rom>
(Warning) Cannot make (1 MB) rom file because file size exceeded.

Total size: 1422120 byte

r5_fw size: 1305616 byte
               ECC size
 OUTPUT FILE LIST>
 ./../gcc/output/tcc70xx_pflash_boot.rom
./../gcc/output/tcc70xx_pflash_boot_2M_ECC.rom
./../gcc/output/tcc70xx_pflash_boot_3M_ECC.rom
./../gcc/output/tcc70xx_pflash_boot_4M_ECC.rom
 /topst-vcp/build/tcc70xx/qcc
 Finished ...
copst@topst-vcp:~/topst-vcp/build/tcc70xx/gcc$ [
```

Figure 5.2 Verify Build Output

To check the list of output files, use the following command:

Figure 5.3 Build Output File

6 FIRMWARE DOWNLOAD

This chapter describes how to download *FWDN* to the TOPST VCP-G board in a Linux-based development environment.

6.1 Prepare TOPST VCP-G

Before beginning the download process, ensure that the TOPST VCP-G board is in a stable position and free from any potential disturbances. Ensure that all switches and connectors are easily accessible and 3.3V power cable should be connect correctly.

6.2 Connect Hardware to Host PC

If you use Ubuntu host, proceed directly to step 3.

- Download usbipd-win: usbipd-win project is required to use USB in WSL2.
 Download usbipd-win from https://learn.microsoft.com/ko-kr/windows/wsl/connect-usb#attach-a-usb-device.
- Run PowerShell and attach the VCP-G (recognized as a COM port in Windows) to WSL2: Execute the following commands in Windows PowerShell (not Linux).

```
usbipd list
usbipd bind --busid 4-X
usbipd attach --wsl --busid <busid>
```

- 3. Connect USB Type-C Cable: Use a USB Type-C cable to connect the TOPST VCP-G board to the development host PC.
- 4. Verify USB Connection: In WSL2, execute the following commands.

```
sudo apt-get install usbutils && lsusb

sudo dmesg | grep tty

topst@topst-vcp:~

topst@topst-vcp:~$ sudo dmesg | grep tty
[sudo] password for topst:
[ 3.05c581] printk: console [tty0] enabled
[ 20.511889] usb 1-2: cp210x converter now attached to ttyUSB0

topst@topst-vcp:~$
```

Figure 6.1 Verify USB Connection

If the output displayed in Figure 6.1 appears, the connection is successfully established.

6.3 Download Software on TOPST VCP-G Board

1. **Set the Board to Download Mode:** Connect the power cable to the TOPST VCP-G board while pressing the FWDN switch.

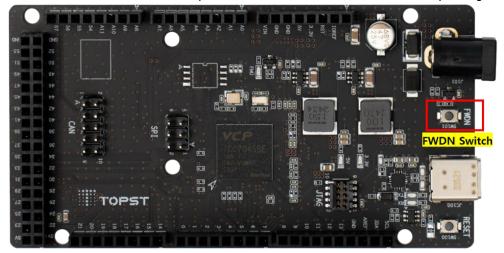


Figure 6.2 Set Board to Download Mode

2. Execute the Download Command: Use FWDN to download the built software to the 4 MB flash on the VCP-G board.

```
sudo ../../tools/fwdn_vcp/fwdn --fwdn ../../tools/fwdn_vcp/vcp_fwdn.rom -w
output/tcc70xx_pflash_boot_4M_ECC.rom
```

Figure 6.3 Execute Download Command

3. **Reset the Board:** After the download process is complete, disconnect and reconnect the power cable.

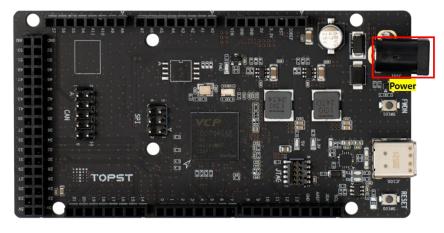


Figure 6.4 Reset the Board

6.4 Verify Software on Board

After downloading the software to the board, follow these steps to verify that it is operating correctly.

1. Install Minicom

```
sudo apt install minicom
topst@topst-vcp: ~/topst-vcp/build/tcc70xx/gcc
                                                                                                                                                                                                     cp/build/tcc70xx/gcc$ sudo apt install minicom
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
The following packages were automatically installed and are no longer required:
libwpe-1.0-1 libwpebackend-fdo-1.0-1
Jse 'sudo apt autoremove' to remove them.
The following additional packages will be installed:
he following NEW packages will be installed:
upgraded, 2 newly installed, 0 to remove and 3 not upgraded.
Seed to get 328 kB of archives.
Ifter this operation, 1,603 kB of additional disk space will be used.
Do you want to continue? [Y/n]
Get:1 http://kr.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy/universe amd64 1rzsz amd64 0.12.21-10 [74.8 kB]
Get:2 http://kr.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy/universe amd64 minicom amd64 2.8-2 [253 kB]
etched 328 kB in 5s (61.0 kB/s)
electing previously unselected package 1rzsz.
(Reading database ... 214456 files and directories currently installed.)
Preparing to unpack .../lrzsz_0.12.21-10_amd64.deb ...
Unpacking lrzsz (0.12.21-10) ...
Preparing to unpack .../minicom_2.8-2_amd64.deb ...
Unpacking minicom (2.8-2) ...
Setting up minicom (2.8-2) ...
Setting up 1rzsz (0.12.21-10) ...
Processing triggers for desktop-file-utils (0.26-lubuntu3) ...
Processing triggers for gnome-menus (3.36.0-lubuntu3) ...
 rocessing triggers for mailcap (3.70+nmulubuntul) ...
```

Figure 6.5 Install Minicom

2. **Open a Serial Connection**: Use the following command to initiate a serial connection.

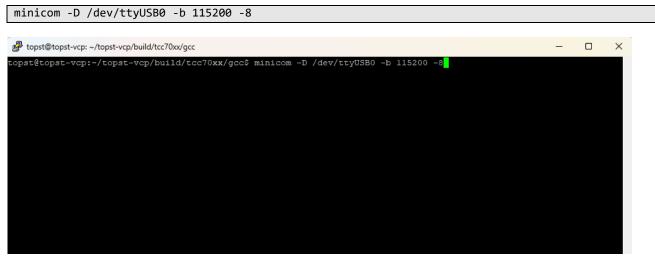


Figure 6.6 Open Serial Connection

After completing steps 1 and 2, the following output appears on the terminal. If the connection is successful, the board should respond to interactions, confirming that the software is downloaded and is operating correctly on the TOPST VCP-G board.

```
topst@topst-vcp: ~/topst-vcp/build/tcc70xx/gcc
                                                                        - 🗆 X
 |E|R=00011f00
 OV=56010000
 M=00000000
IR0=0000a042
MR1=00020018
IR2=00000000
ISM_V_OK
nitialize System done
Velcome to Telechips MCU BSP
   MCU BSP Version: V1.0.0
         NAME : 57045
          BANK
   DUAL
   EXPAND FLASH : 1
    REMAP MODE
           READY : 1
(D)[SAL ][FR_OSStart:532] ~ Done to initialize Free RT Operating System ~
              = How to use command ==
 [command_string] [argl] ... [argl0]

    display alive message : [alive] [on/off]

CTRL-A Z for help | 115200 8N1 | NOR | Minicom 2.8 | VT102 | Offline | ttyUSB0
```

Figure 6.7 Open Serial Connection

6.5 Troubleshooting Common Issues

This chapter provides solutions to common issues encountered while working with the TOPST VCP-G board.

Issue: The *FWDN* reports a lack of permission to access the ttyUSB0 device.

Solution: This issue occurs when your user account (\$USER) does not have the necessary permissions to access serial devices. To resolve this, add the user account to the dialout group.

1. **Modify User Group Permissions**: Execute the following command.

```
sudo usermod -aG dialout $USER
```

Log Out and Log Back In: Log out of the current session and log back in to apply the changes. After this, try accessing
the ttyUSB0 device again.

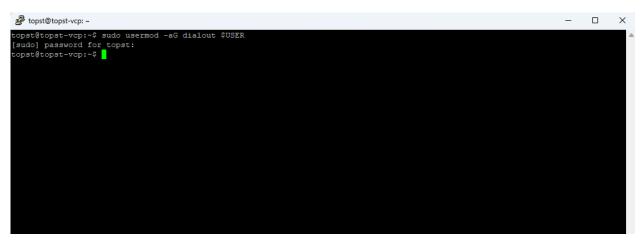


Figure 6.8 Modify User Group Permissions

Issue: When using minicom, there is no proper communication or irregular behavior with the TOPST VCP-G board. **Solution**: This issue may occur if minicom's default flow control setting is set to **hardware**. The hardware flow control must be set to **No** for proper operation

1. **Start Minicom:** Use the following command.

```
minicom -D /dev/ttyUSB0 -b 115200 -8
```

Figure 6.9 Launch Minicom

2. Access the Setup Screen: While in minicom, press Ctrl-A then press o to open the setup menu.

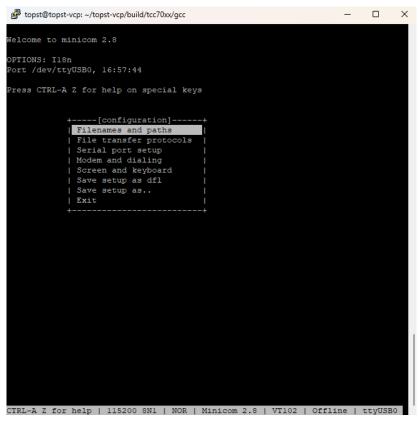


Figure 6.10 Access Set up Screen

- 3. Navigate to Serial Port Setup: Select Serial port setup from the options.
- 4. Modify Flow Control: Inside the serial port setup, press F to set the hardware flow control to No.

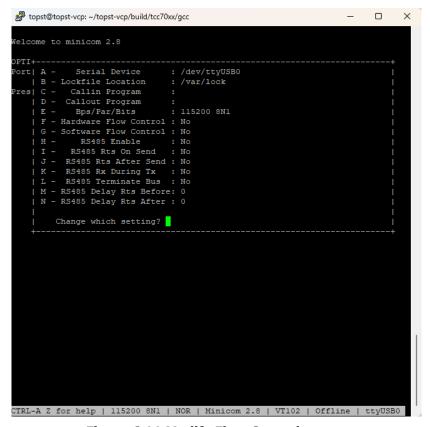


Figure 6.11 Modify Flow Control

5. **Exit and Save**: Exit the setup and save the configuration. Minicom should now communicate properly with the TOPST VCP-G board.

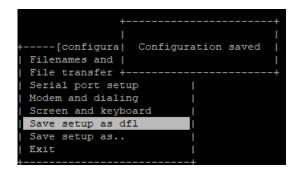


Figure 6.12 Save and Exit

Note: If you are using a different serial communication tool instead of minicom, ensure its flow control setting is also set to **no** for proper operation.

7 REFERENCES

[1] Contact TOPST for more details: topst@topst.ai

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