

3874

MODEM



## Product Description

The IBM 3874 is a serial synchronous modem operating at 4 800 bits per second (BPS) on customer or PTT supplied communication facilities (World Trade normal quality line).

This modem is available in point to point, multipoint control and multipoint tributary configurations. The ability to work on switched network lines is also provided for CANADA.

An automatic equalizer ensures optimum operation on switched or non-switched lines.

Half speed back up at 2 400 BPS is possible to permit operation on temporarily degraded lines.

## Technology

Technology for the 3874 ist SLT/SLD/VTL IBM FET and discrete components. The modulation technique used to generate the line signal is eight phase coherent phase shift keying, using digital echo modulation.

### **Optional Features**

- Point to point
   This feature is required on each modem used in a point to point configuration.
- Multipoint tributary
  This feature is identical to the point to point
  feature but has been separately identified for
  ease of configurating TP systems. It is required
  on each modem connected to a tributary station
  of a multipoint network (up to six).
- Multipoint control This feature is required for the control modem of a multipoint network. It includes necessary circuitry to store the line equalization parameters of each tributary link. Indication of proper network equalization is displayed on the operator panel.
- Alternate voice This feature permits the operator to talk over the same non-switched lines that are used for data transmission, when data is not being transmitted. (A customer provided handset is required).
- Fan out
  This feature permits sharing of on modem by up
  to three business machines on a non-simultaneous
  basis.

# Additional optional features (Canada only)

- Switched network prime
- Switched network back up
- Automatic answering
- Automatic calling
   The automatic equalization also applies to switched network.

#### Problem Determination Features

The 3874 is provided with several tests for use by the customer for problem determination and by the CE for problem isolation.

A built-in pattern generator can be used to simulate a Data Terminal Equipment transmission.

- Local self test
  - The internally generated pattern feeds the modem transmitter. The modulated data is then wrapped back to the receiver through a line loss simulator, demodulated, and checked for errors.
- Over the line test
  - a) The internally generated test pattern is transmitted over the line facility to the receiver in the remote modern where it is checked for errors.
    - b) The internally generated test pattern is transmitted over the line facility, received and checked for errors by the remote modem. The data received by the remote modem is then re-transmitted to the local modem and again checked for errors.
- Data Terminal Equipment/Modem test
   Under attached business machine control, the
   data sent to the modem is wrapped back to the
   DTE through modem circuitry.

### Serviceablity Features

In addition to the test capabilities, a modem maintenance documentation is provided. Trouble shooting flow charts and pictorial wave forms for all significant test points are included for ease of problem isolation. The maintenance philosophy is based on card swapping.

### Career Path

The 3874 will normally be serviced by the customer engineer responsible for the attached IBM equipment (i.e. terminal / control unit, etc...). The Data Recording CE will be able to service this modem.

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