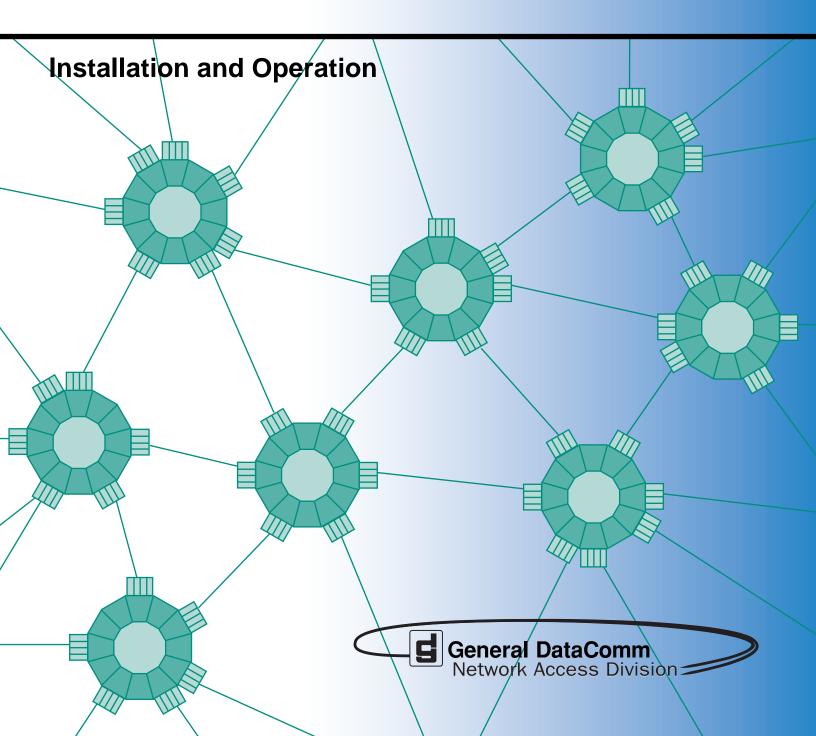
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- Never touch uninsulated telephone wires or terminals unless the telephone line is disconnected at the network interface.
- Never install telephone wiring during an electrical storm.

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Preface

Scope

This manual describes how to install and operate the V.34 DBU (Dial Backup Unit) card. The information contained in this manual has been carefully checked and is believed to be entirely reliable. However, as General DataComm improves the reliability, function, and design of their products, it is possible that information may not be current. Contact General DataComm if you require updated information for this or other General DataComm products.

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This bold font designates window names and menu selections.

Note Indicates a note. It is something you should be particularly aware of; something not readily apparent. A note is typically used as a suggestion.

Important Indicates an emphasized note. It is something you should be particularly aware of; something not readily apparent. Important is typically used to prevent equipment damage.

Safety Information

The CAUTION, WARNING, and DANGER statements that appear throughout this manual are intended to provide critical information for the safety of both the service engineer and operator. These statements also enhance equipment reliability.

The definitions and symbols for CAUTION, WARNING, and DANGER comply with ANSI Z535.2, American National Standard for Environmental and Facility Safety Signs, and ANSI Z535.4, Product Safety Signs and Labels, issued by the American National Standards Institute.

Preface

The following examples show the symbols and definitions of CAUTION, WARNING, and DANGER as they are used in this manual.



CAUTION Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor to moderate injury. It may also be used to alert against unsafe practices.



WARNING *indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.*



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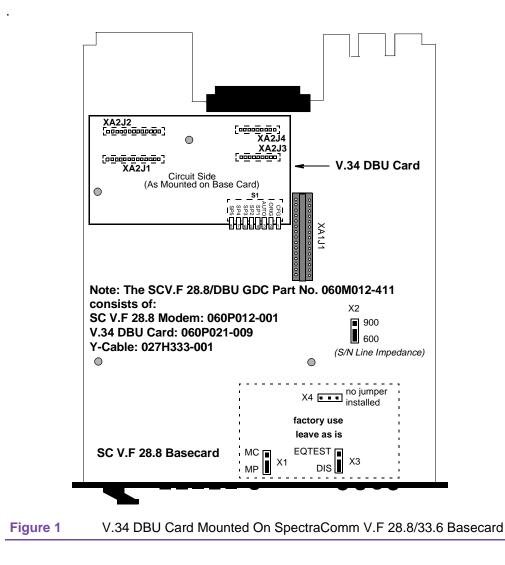
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Overview

The V.34 Dial Backup Unit (DBU) card is a plug-in piggyback card that is mounted on the basecard of the SpectraComm (SC) V.F 28.8/33.6 modem (see Figure 1). With it, you can use the V.F 28.8/33.6 modem to provide dial backup of the SpectraComm 521A or SpectraComm 500A DSU (Data Set Unit) or the SpectraComm 202 private line modem.

A special Y-cable connects the DTE to both the modem and to the DSU.



Features

- Provides dial backup for the SC521A, SC500A DSUs or SC202 modem (referred to in this manual as a data set).
- Provides dial backup of circuits operating at the following data rates:
 - Asynchronous: 1.2, 1.8, 2.4, 4.8, 9.6, 19.2 kbps.
 - Synchronous: 2.4, 4.8, 9.6, 19.2, *56, and *64 kbps.

* V.35 to EIA232 converter required if DTE (Data Terminal Equipment) uses a V.35 interface

- Provides dial backup of both point-to-point or multipoint circuits.
- Supports polled and non-polled circuits.
- Supports both manual and automatic operation. Manual operation requires manual (or network managed) origination of a dial backup call. Automatic operation monitors DCD from the data set (DSU or SC202 modem) and originates the dial backup call automatically.
- Built-in microcontroller monitors Data Carrier Detect (DCD) from the data set and Data Set Ready (DSR) from the modem and switches the DTE signal to either the data set or the modem as required.

V.34 DBU Operational Considerations

To operate your V.34 DBU these guidelines must be followed:

- Use for TIA/EIA-232-F DTE interface only.
- The modem data rate depends on the modem connect speed. The line speed can be either 33.6, 31.2, 28.8, 26.4, 24, 21.6, 19.2, 16.8 14.4, 12, 9.6, 7.2, 4.8, 2.4, 1.2, kbps or 300 bps. During dial backup, the data rate to the DTE may be less than the DSU's data rate. The DTE must be able to accommodate this different rate.
- The modem can accept data from the DTE at a rate greater than the modem's line speed by either compressing the data, or using flow control to take data from the DTE in bursts, or by slowing down the clock to the DTE in synchronous transmission.
- When providing backup to an SC202 modem, the SC202 modem must be in 4-wire mode, and constant carrier. Also the SC202 modem fast-poll feature is not supported.

Security

Since the modems are connected to the switched network, security measures such as passwords, etc. should be considered. Passwords are explained in the associated modem manuals listed in the preface of this manual.

You can find helpful typical applications and the appropriate AT Commands for the V.F 28.8/33.6 modem in <u>Applications on page -10</u>.

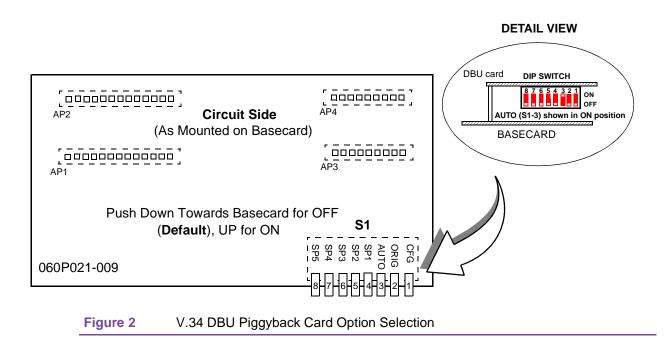
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Options

In addition to the options found on the V.34 DBU card, other field-selectable options on each product card adapt them to a variety of configurations. The following paragraphs describe the required option selections for the V.34 DBU card and modem/DSU cards used with this card. Check the factory default options, and alter if your application requires it. Detailed information of the modem and DSU product cards may be found in the manuals listed in the preface.

V.34 DBU Card Configuration

Before installing the V.F 28.8/33.6 modem, check the options on the V.34 DBU piggyback card via the configuration switch S1. See Figure 2, and refer to the following text. When mounted, the DBU card default options (**OFF**) are towards the basecard, and are in **BOLD** in the text that follows the illustration. Pushing each switch lever towards the DBU card selects (ON).



Switch S1 Description

S1-1 Configuration (CFG): Normal (OFF)/Configure (ON)

When set to configure, the DBU card will force the DTE to be connected to the modem, so that the modem can be configured from the DTE via the AT commands. Normal allows for normal dial backup operation.

S1-2 Origination (ORIG): Disable (OFF)/Enable (ON)

When set to enable, allows the DBU card to turn on DTR to the modem, to originate a dial backup call. The modem must be configured to originate a call upon seeing a transition on DTR. Origination applies only in Automatic mode, that is, both the ORIG switch and the AUTO switch must be ON to enable origination.

When set to disable, the DBU card will not turn on DTR to the modem. Instead the DBU card expects an incoming call. The modem must be configured to answer an incoming call.

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S1-3 Mode (AUTO): Manual (OFF)/Automatic (ON)

When set to Manual, the DBU card will not monitor the data set DCD control lead. Dial backup calls must be initiated from the network manager or from the modem front panel. When set to Automatic, the DBU card will monitor the data set DCD lead, and automatically initiate a call (if Origination is enabled) or force off RTS to the data set to trigger the far-end to originate, as required.

S1-5-8 SP1 through SP5 - Unused spares - Leave in factory default positions.

Note The modem cannot be configured to originate and answer at the same time. A second user profile may be saved in the originating modem and then selected in the event that it has to answer a call.

SC V.F 28.8/33.6 Modem Configuration

The following describes the *minimum configuration* required for both modems, in order to work properly with the V.34 DBU card.

Note that since the modem must always answer incoming calls and switch over from the DSU immediately, some form of security is essential such as passwords, etc. They are explained in the associated modem's manual.

Configuration for Originating Modem

- reset to factory defaults &F
- program with the telephone number of the answering modem &Z
- configure to dial out on a DTR off-to-on transition %Z
- configure for DSR to follow carrier &S2
- configure to hang up upon loss of DTR &D2
- configure to disable character abort %K1
- *Optional* configure to use a Steadfast Security (See Password entry) %S1

Configuration for Non-Originating Modem

- reset to factory defaults &F
- configure to answer on the first incoming ring S0=1
- configure for DSR to follow carrier &S2
- configured to disable character abort %K1
- **Optional** configure to use a Steadfast Security %S1

DSU Configuration

When the DBU card is in manual mode, the DSU may be configured for controlled carrier or constant carrier. In constant carrier, dial restoral will be activated when the originate location looses carrier. Therefore, the preferred configuration for the DSU at the non-originating end is controlled carrier (RTS not forced on). This allows the DBU card at the non-originating end to force off DSU carrier to the originating end when the non-originating end detects loss of DSU carrier. This feature provides protection against a partial fault in the line (fault in the direction towards the non-originating end only). This operation is supported at speeds up to 56 kbps.

SC202 Modem Configuration

When the SC202 modem is optioned for controlled carrier, a 30-second anti-streaming timer is automatically enabled in the SC202 modem. If RTS from the DTE remains on for more than 30 seconds, the anti-streaming timer forces off CTS to the DTE and turns off modem carrier until RTS turns off. For this reason, the SC202 modem must be configured for constant carrier for automatic dial backup applications. A line fault that causes loss of carrier towards the non-originating end only will not automatically initiate a dial backup call and other means must be used to restore the circuit.

Multipoint Dial restoral for SC202 modems must be initiated at the host (manual or with the TDC-2)

Operation

You have to configure the modem with AT Commands. (Refer to <u>Typical AT command Set for V.F</u> <u>28.8 Modem/V.34 DBU on page -9</u>). The DBU card is configured via a hardware switch for either manual or automatic operation.

Manual Operation

The DBU card monitors the modem's DSR lead and switches the DTE from the data set to the modem whenever modem DSR turns on. It will not monitor the DCD lead from the data set. *Manual operation is preferred in a network-managed application*.

Automatic Operation

The DBU card monitors the data set DCD lead to determine if it should automatically initiate a dial backup call.

In automatic operation, the DBU card is also configured via a hardware switch to either enable or disable origination of a dial backup call. If the DBU card is at both ends of the circuit, only one card should be optioned to originate a call.

If origination is enabled, the DBU monitors DCD from the data set. If it turns off for more than 20 seconds, the DBU card will turn on DTR to the modem, causing it to dial a pre-stored number. When the modem connects, it will turn on its DSR control lead, which causes the DBU card to switch the DTE signals from the data set to the modem. If DCD from the data set turns back on for at least 20 seconds, the backup connection will be aborted and the DTE signals switched back to the data set.

If origination is disabled, and a loss of data set DCD occurs for more than 300 ms, the DBU card drops data set RTS and causes a loss of DCD on the far end originating data set if that has not already occurred. This causes the DBU on the modem at far end to originate a call after 20 seconds. If data set DCD turns back on for more than 300 ms, the DBU card turns on RTS to the data set to restore the far end data set's DCD which terminates the backup call after 20 seconds.

Note

1-A line fault that causes loss of carrier at the originating end will always result in initiation of a dial backup call. A line fault that causes loss of carrier at the non-originating end only requires that the non-originating data set be configured for switched carrier so that the DBU card can force off carrier to the originating end in order to initiate the dial backup call.

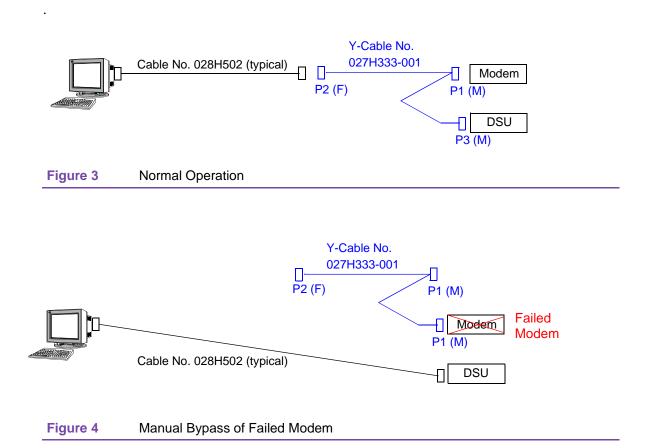
2-Any diagnostics you perform on the data set that causes DCD to turn off, such as a Local Loopback, will initiate a dial backup. Therefore, before performing these diagnostics, disable dial backup by first placing the modem in Local Loopback (LL) test.

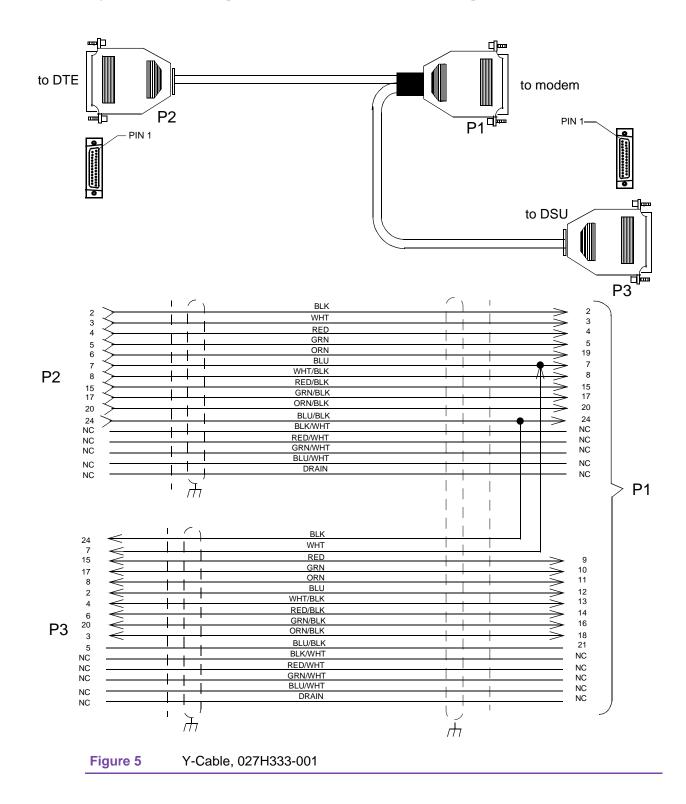
Bypassing a Failed Modem Manually

The V.34 DBU increases your availability of the circuit since a failure in either the DSU or in the DDS network can be bypassed by using the DBU to restore the connection. However, since the DTE data travels through the modem and the DBU card, a failure in the modem (e.g. power supply) or in the DBU card will cause your circuit to go down.

In the event of a modem failure or maintenance in order for you to quickly bypass the modem, disconnect the DTE straight-through cable (No. 027H333-001) from the Y-cable, and connect it directly to the DSU. See Figure 3 and Figure 4.

Note The DBU and the modem work together as a system. Unplugging the modem will interrupt the private line operation.





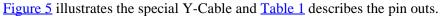


Table 1
 Y-Cable Connections

Signal	DTE DB25M	Modem DB25M	DSU DB25M	Comments	
TXD	2	2	-	DTE->Modem->DSU	
		12	2		
RTS	4	4	-	DTE->Modem->DSU	
	-	13	4		
EXT.	24	24	-	DTE->Modem->DSU	
TMG	-		24		
DTR	20	20	-	DTE->Modem->DSU	
		16	20		
RXD	-	18	3	DSU->Modem->DTE	
	3	3	-		
CTS	-	21	5	DSU->Modem->DTE	
	5	5	-		
DSR	-	14	6	DSU->Modem->DTE	
	6	19	-		
DCD	-	11	8	DSU->Modem->DTE	
	8	8	-		
TXC	-	9	15	DSU->Modem->DTE	
	15	15	-		
RXC	-	10	17	DSU->Modem->DTE	
	17	17	-		
GND	-	-	7		
	7	7	-		
Note: Pin numbers in bold are non-standard EIA uses for these pins.					

Typical AT command Set for V.F 28.8 Modem/V.34 DBU

Table 2 describes the AT commands used in conjunction with the V.34 DBU card for the applications found starting with Figure 6. Password security and other AT commands which are user specific are not included in these tables. Refer to V.F 28.8/33.6 Installation and Operation manuals listed in the Preface of this manual.

&C1	Selects DCD to be real		
&D0	Causes the modem to ignore Off transitions and forces internal DTR On		
&D2	Causes the modem to recognize Off transitions of DTR and respond by hanging up.		
E0	Disables echo.		
&En	Simulated controlled carrier - enable or disable.		
&E0	Enable in transmit and receive paths.		
&E1	Enable in transmit path only.		
&Fn	Loads the modem with factory defaults.		
&Hn	Switched network handshake mode.		
%K1	Character abort disabled.		
\Mn	Selects the synchronous protocols that are available to the modem.		
&Mn	Operating mode.		
&M0	Asynchronous data mode.		
&M1	Asynchronous command mode/synchronous data mode, with DTR-to-data delay (S- Register 25).		
\Nn	Asynchronous protocol.		
\N1	Direct ITU-T V.14 asynchronous mode.		
\N6	Simulated controlled carrier.		
AT%Pn=xxx	Passwords - The V.F 28.8 modem provides a variety of configurable password security arrangements. n is the password memory cell number and xxx is the password.		
Q1	Quiet mode.		
&S2	Selects DSR to follow carrier detect.		
\Tn	In conjunction with &Hn, controls DTE speed.		
&Wn	Directs the modem to write the current settings for user defined and storable options into memory. Up to four configurations profiles can be saved ($N = 0-3$). The originating and answering modem both can thus be optioned for the factory default by this command.		
&Xn	Transmit clock source.		
&Zn=nnn	Stores a phone number - This command stores a telephone number (nnn) in a memory cell (n). The equal sign can be followed by up to thirty-six characters, including any of the commands that can be used in a dial string. There are 10 cells (n = 0 to9) available in which to store telephone numbers.		
%Z1=n	Dial cell n on DTR Off-to-On transition		

Table 2 V E 28 8/33 6 Modem AT Commands Used With DBU

For Security Commands refer to Technical Reference Guide FastPro II Chapter 3 - Operation **Important** "Password Security" GDC Part No. 060R124-000-03.

Applications

Figure 6 through Figure 12 show typical V.34 DBU applications.

Multidrop - 521A Automatic Restoral - Figure 6 Calls can be originated automatically from the remote. Dial restoral will only be actuated when the originate location loses carrier.

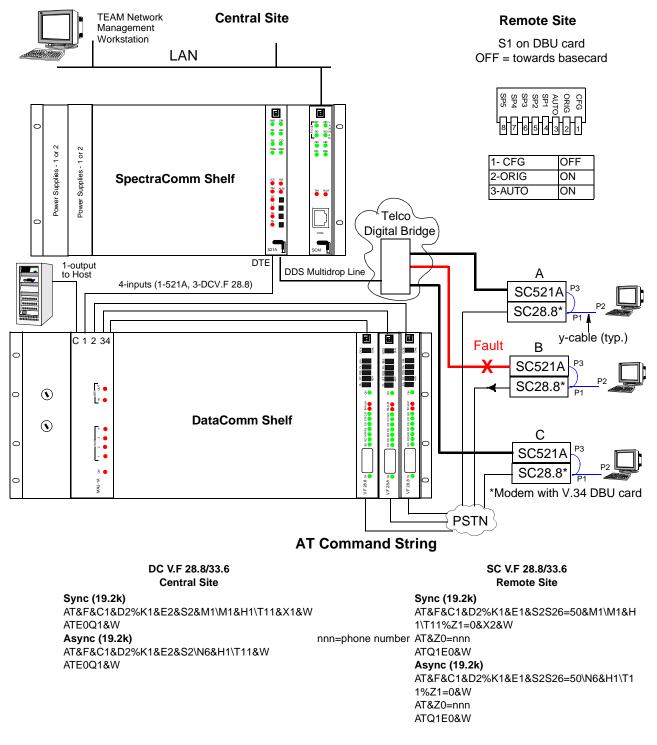


Figure 6

DBU Application - Multidrop - Automatic Restoral

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Multidrop - 521A Central Site Dials Out - <u>Figure 7</u> - The DBU card is optioned to for manual operation. Central site data set and modem are optioned for constant carrier. Remote data sets and modems are optioned for switched carrier.

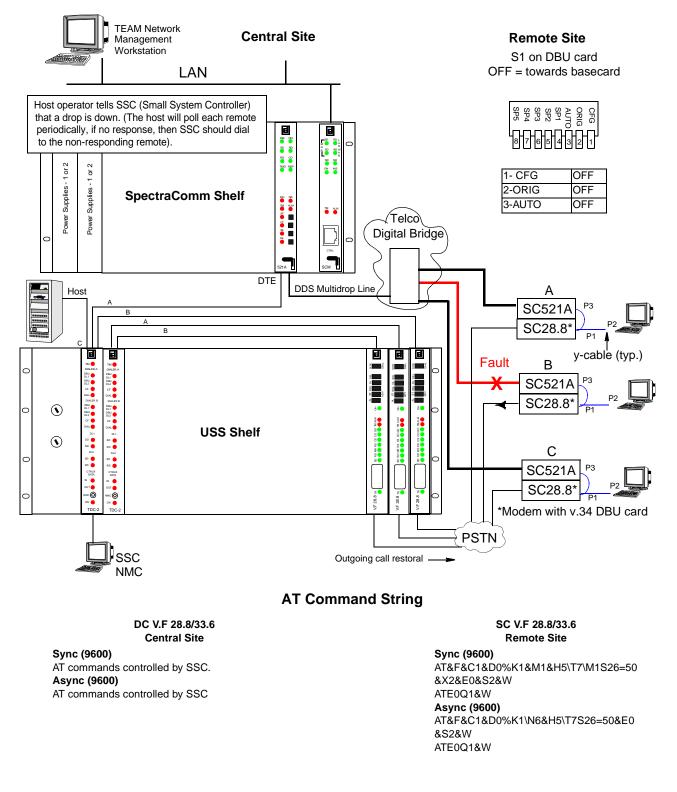


Figure 7

DBU Application - Multidrop - Central Site Dials Out

060R113-000 Issue 1 V.34 Dial Backup Unit Installation and Operation **Point-to-Point - Network Managed** - Figure 8 - This application is network managed, and so both DBU cards are optioned for manual operation. A line fault will generate an alarm and the network operator will initiate a dial backup call. Both central and remote site data set and modem may be optioned for either constant or switched carrier.

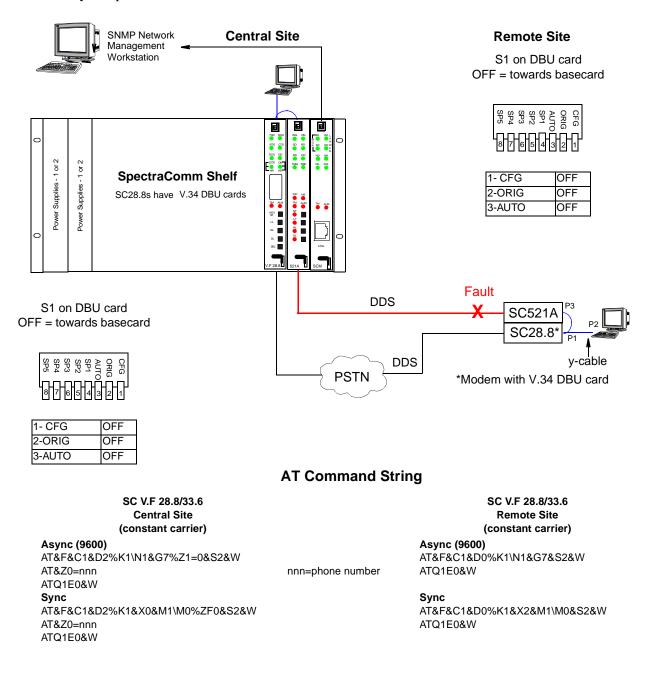


Figure 8 DBU Application - Point-to-Point - Network Managed

V.34 Dial Backup Unit Installation and Operation **Point-to-Point - 500A Non-Managed Auto Dial**- Figure 9 -This application is not network managed. The DSUs are non-managed SC500As. The central site DBU card is optioned for origination enabled. The remote DBU card is optioned for origination disabled. Central site data set and modem are optioned for constant carrier. Remote data sets and modems are optioned for constant carrier. Dial restoral will only be activated when the originate location loses carrier.

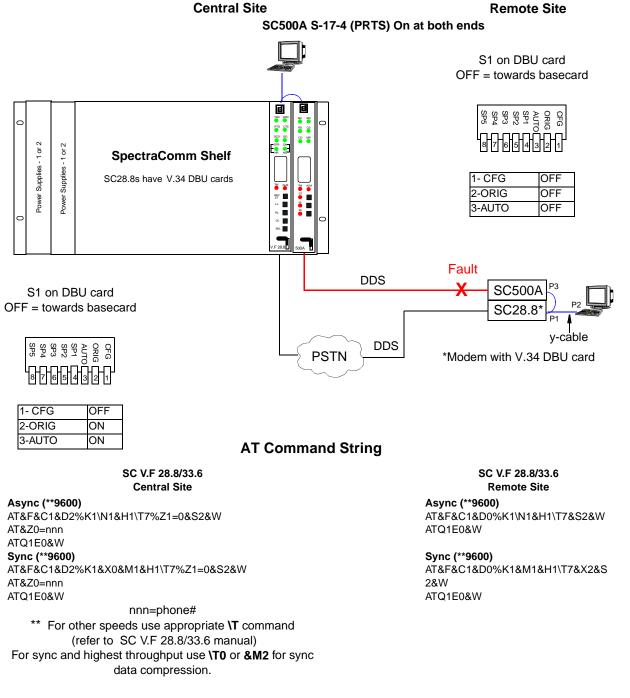


Figure 9 DBU Application - Point-to-Point - 500A Non- Managed Auto Dial

V.34 Dial Backup Unit Installation and Operation Point-to-Point - 521A Non-Managed Auto Dial Restoral - Figure 10 - This application is not initiated by the network manager. Remote DBU card is optioned for originate disabled, central site DBU cards are optioned for originate enabled. This configuration provides constant carrier to the customer equipment (DTE) at both ends of the circuit.

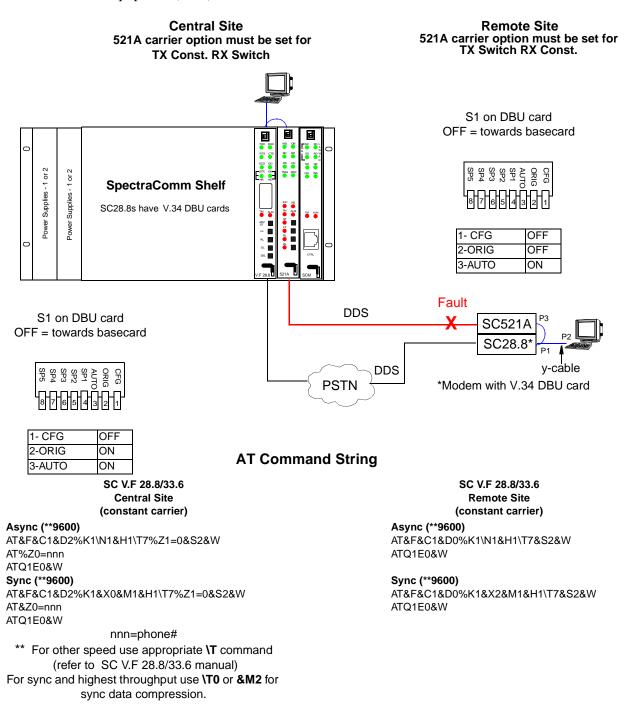


Figure 10 DBU Application - Point-to-Point - 521A Non-Managed Auto Dial Restoral

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Point-to-Point - Non-Managed with SC202 - Figure 11 - This application is not network managed. The data sets are non-managed SC202's. The central site DBU card is optioned for origination enabled. The remote DBU card is optioned for origination disabled. Dial restoral will only be activated when the originate location loses carrier.

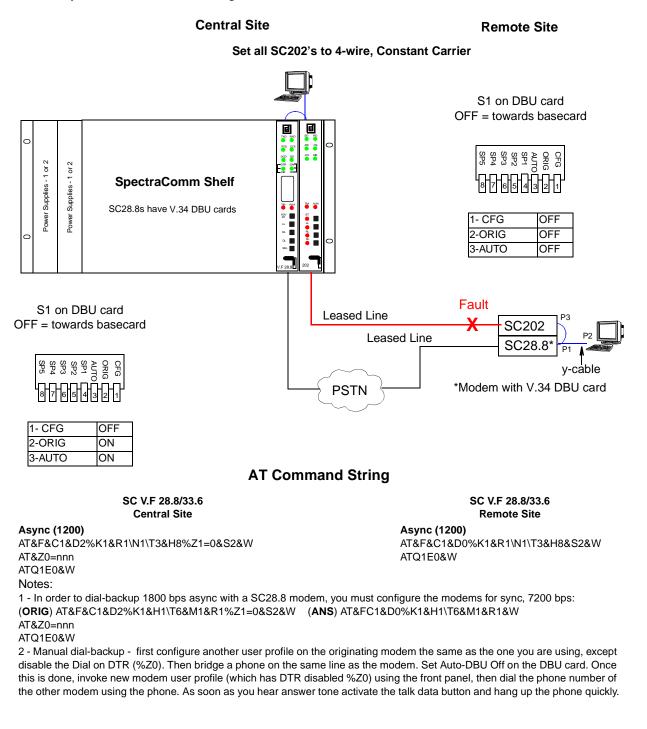


Figure 11 DBU Application - Point-to-Point - Non- Managed - SC 202 Modem

Point-to-Point - Network Managed with SC202 - <u>Figure 12</u> - This application is network managed, and so both DBU cards are optioned for manual operation. A line fault will generate an alarm and the network operator will initiate a dial backup call.

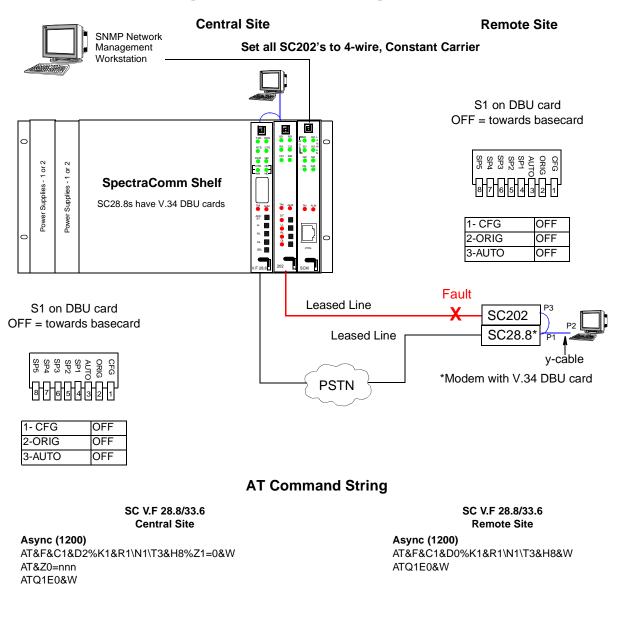


Figure 12 DBU Application - Point-to-Point - Network Managed - SC 202 Modem

Input/Output Signals

The V.34 DBU card sits between the DTE connector of the SpectraComm V.F 28.8/33.6 modem and the modem itself. It accepts signals from the DTE connector and routes them to either the modem or back out on the connector to the data set via the special Y-cable. <u>Table 3</u> describes the signals for the SpectraComm V.F 28.8/33.6, <u>Table 4</u> describes the pinouts of the SpectraComm 521A DSU, and <u>Table 5</u> describes signals for the SpectraComm 202 modem. (Only associated pins are described).

Pin	Direction	Signal	EIA	ITU-T	Description
1	-	Frame Ground	AA	-	No connection on the card
2	From DTE	TXD	BA	103	Transmit data from DTE
3	To DTE	RXD	BB	104	Receive data to DTE
4	From DTE	RTS	CA	105	Request to send
5	To DTE	CTS	СВ	106	Clear to send
6	To DTE	DSR	CC	107	Data set ready
7	-	Signal Ground	AB	102	-
8	To DTE	DCD	CF	109	Data carrier detect
15	To DTE	TC	DB	-	Transmitter clock
17	To DTE	RC	DD	-	Receiver clock
18	From DTE	LL	LL	141	Local loopback
20	From DTE	DTR	CD	-	Data terminal ready
21	From DTE	RL	RL	140	Remote loopback
22	To DTE	RI	CE	-	Ring indicator
23	To DTE	CI	CI	-	Data rate selector
24	From DTE	ETC	DA	-	External transmit clock
25	To DTE	ТМ	ТМ	-	Test mode

 Table 3
 SpectraComm V.F 28.8/33.6 DTE Connections

Pin	Direction	Signal	EIA	Description
1	-	Frame ground	AA	No connection on the card
2	From DTE	TXD	BA	Transmit data from DTE
3	To DTE	RXD	BB	Receive data to DTE
4	From DTE	RTS	CA	Request to send
5	To DTE	CTS	СВ	Clear to send
6	To DTE	DSR	CC	Data set ready
7	-	Signal ground	AB	Data carrier detect
8	To DTE	DCD	CF	Data carrier detect
9	-	-	-	+12V
10	-	-	-	-12V
15	To DTE	TC	DB	Transmitter clock
17	To DTE	RC	DD	Receiver clock
18	From DTE	LL	LL	Local loopback
20	From DTE	DTR	CD	Data terminal ready
21	From DTE	RL	RL	Remote loopback
22	To DTE	RI	CE	Ring indicator
23	To DTE	CI	CI	-
24	From DTE	EXT TMG	DA	External transmit clock
25	To DTE	ТМ	TM	Test mode

Table 4	SpectraComm 521A DTE Connections

Pin	Signal	EIA	ITU-T	Description
1	Frame ground	AA		No connection on the card
2	TXD	BA	103	Transmit data from DTE
3	RXD	BB	104	Receive data to DTE
4	RTS	CA	105	Request to send
5	CTS	СВ	106	Clear to send
6	DSR	CC	107	Data set ready
7	Signal ground	AB	102	Data carrier detect
8	DCD	CF	109	Data carrier detect
9	-	-		+12V
10	-	-		-12V
18	LL	LL	141	Local loopback
21	RL	RL	140	Remote loopback
25	CFRES	-	-	Carrier Detect reset signal from DTE (not part of EIA-232)

 Table 5
 SpectraComm 202 DTE Connections

Technical Characteristics

Table 6 describes the specifications of the V.34 Dial Backup card.

Table 6 Technical Characteristics

Item	Specifications	
Data sets supported: SC521A DSU, SC500A DSU,	SC202 modem	
Format	Serial synchronous and asynchronous binary data.	
Data Rates Supported	56, 64, 19.2, 9.6, 4.8, 2.4 kbps synchronous. 19.2, 9.6, 2.4, 1.2 kbps asynchronous.	
DTE Interface	EIA/TIA-232-F	
Timers:		
Automatic, Originati	on Enabled (S1-2,3 ON)	
Power up delay before data set DCD is monitored (500A and 521A Only)	40 seconds	
Loss of data set DCD to modem DTR On	20 seconds	
Recovery of data set DCD to modem DTR Off	20 seconds	
Redial Timer: After the modem DTR is On, if the modem DSR is not available within 75 seconds, the DBU will turn Off modem DTR, and turn it On again to make another call.	75 seconds	
Automatic, Originat	ion Disabled (S1-3 ON)	
Loss of data set DCD to data set RTS Off	300 ms	
Recovery of data set DCD to data set RTS On	300 ms	
Duration of data set RTS Off	30 seconds (DBU controls RTS signal to the data set)	
Duration of data set RTS On	30 seconds (DBU controls RTS signal to the data set)	
Physical		
Height	0.5 inches (13 mm)	
Width	3.625 inches (92 mm))	
Depth	2.10 inches (54 mm))	
Compliance (when installed on the SCV.F 28.8/33.	6 modem): Refer to modem manual	

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