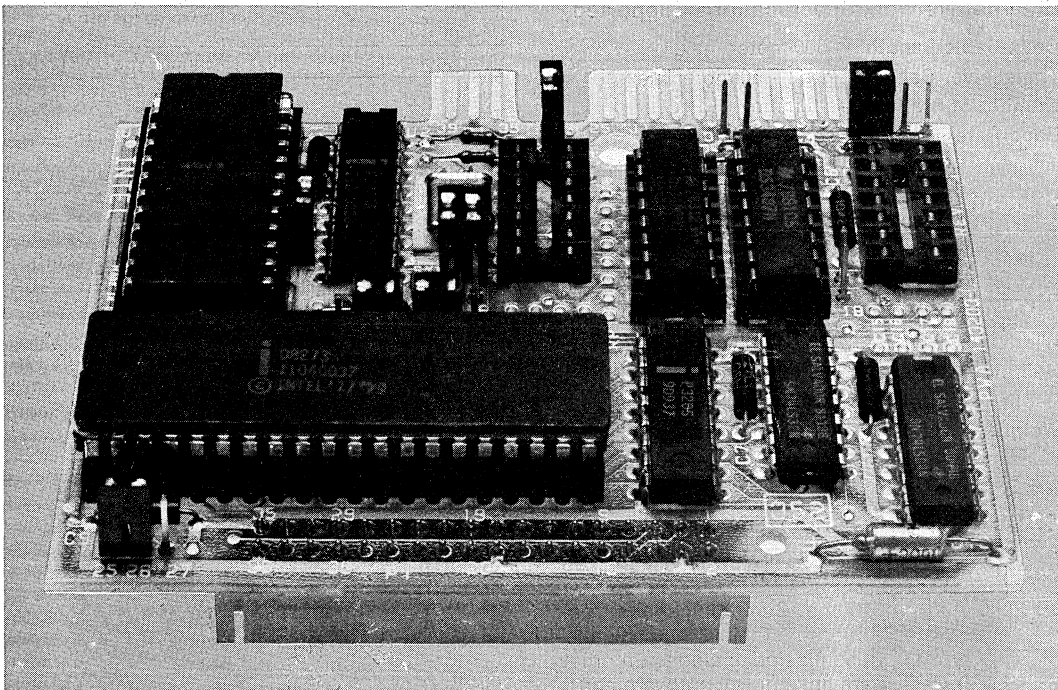




## iSBX™ 352 BIT SERIAL COMMUNICATIONS MULTIMODULE™ BOARD

- Provides an HDLC/SDLC half/full-duplex communications channel for iSBX™ bus compatible micro-computers
- Supports RS232C (including modem support) or RS449/422A interface
- Single +5V when configured for RS449/422A interface
- Software programmable baud rate generation up to 64K baud synchronous and 9.6K baud self-clocking
- Supports synchronous or self-clocking NRZI point-to-point, multidrop and self-clocking NRZI SDLC loop data link interfaces

The Intel iSBX 352 Bit Serial Communications MULTIMODULE board offers incremental on-board I/O expansion support for ISO/CCITT's HDLC or IBM's SDLC communication. Plugging directly into any iSBX bus compatible host board, the iSBX 352 module provides one RS232C or RS449/422A programmable bit serial communications channel with software selectable baud rates (up to 64K baud for half-duplex synchronous operations). Data link interfaces supported are: synchronous point-to-point, multidrop and SDLC loop. The phase lock loop feature provides NRZI self-clocking 9.6K baud operation.



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## FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

### Communications Interface

The iSBX 352 module uses the Intel 8273 Programmable HDLC/SDLC Protocol Controller. The iSBX 352 module provides one bit-serial communications channel for iSBX bus compatible host microcomputers. (See Figure 1.) An iSBC microcomputer or MULTIBUS-based application is easily connected to an HDLC/SDLC point-to-point, multidrop, or an SDLC loop configuration.

The High-Level Data Link Control (HDLC) is the International Standards Organization (ISO) standard discipline used to implement X.25 packet switching communications. The Synchronous Data Link Control (SDLC) is an IBM communication protocol used to implement the System Network Architecture (SNA). Both protocols, HDLC and SDLC, are bit oriented, code independent, and support full-duplex operations.

### Data Link Interface

The control lines, serial data lines and signal ground lines are brought out to the double edge connector of the iSBX 352 module and are configurable for RS232C or RS449/422A interface (see Figure 2).

Addressing an iSBX 352 board by using a port address, the program performs the 8-bit data transfer required, using buffered or non-buffered transmit/receive and abort sequences.

Serial data transfer control is provided by the 8273 controller of the iSBX 352 module which interfaces the parallel iSBX bus to the serial channel. During a transmit sequence, the iSBX 352 module accepts data and commands from the iSBX bus interface, translates and formats the data into HDLC/SDLC protocol formats, provides the proper RS232C or RS422A interface control signals, and passes data onto the serial channel. The receive operation is the inverse of the previous sequence.

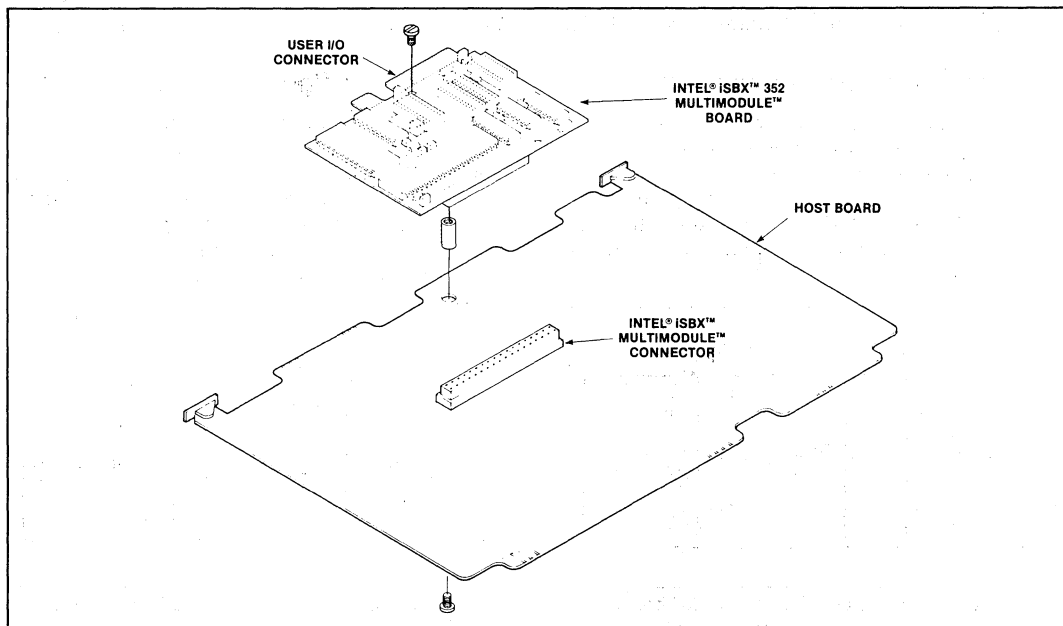
### Data Link Configurations

The supported data link configurations are shown in Table 1. The following example configurations provide an overview and a figure for five typical data link configurations:

**Table 1. iSBX™ 352 Supported Configurations**

Connection	Synchronous Modem		Asynchronous Modem*	
	Direct	Direct	Direct	Direct
point-to-point	X	X	X	X
multidrop	X	X	X	X
loop	NA	NA	X	X

\* Modem should not respond to a break.



**Figure 1. Installation of iSBX™ 352 MULTIMODULE™ Board on a Host Board**

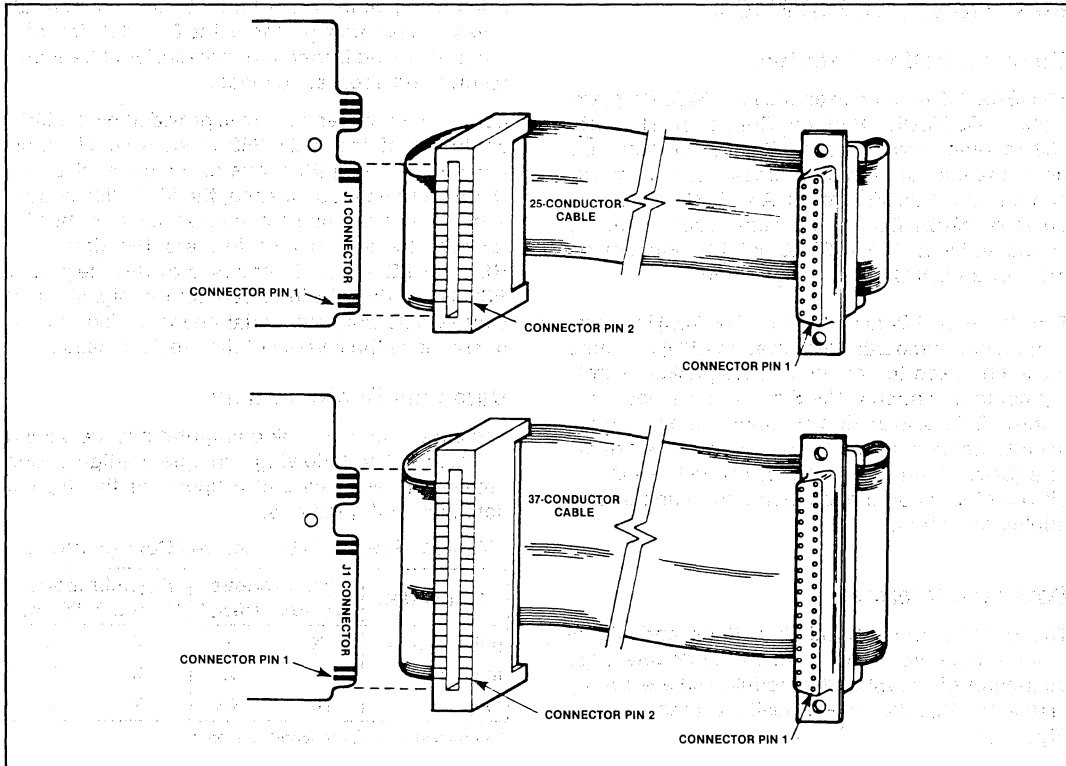


Figure 2. Cable Construction and Installation for RS232C and RS449/422A Interface

**SYNCHRONOUS POINT-TO-POINT INTERFACE**

Figure 3 shows a synchronous point-to-point mode of operation for the iSBX 352 module. This RS232C example uses a modem for generation of the receive clock for coordination of the data transfer. The iSBX 352 module generates the transmit synchronizing clock for synchronous transmission.

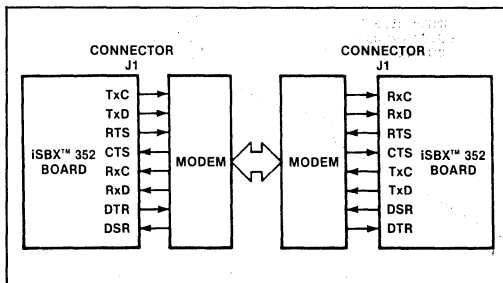


Figure 3. Synchronous Point-to-Point Modem Interface Configuration Example - RS232C

**SELF-CLOCKING POINT-TO-POINT INTERFACE**

The iSBX 352 module is used in an asynchronous mode interface when configured as shown in Figure 4. The point-to-point RS232C example uses the self-clocking mode interface for NRZI encoding/decoding of data. The digital phase lock loop allows operation of the interface in either half-duplex or full-duplex implementation with or without modems.

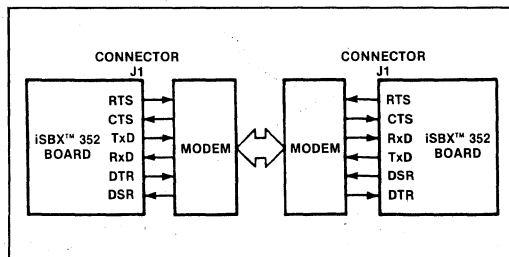


Figure 4. Self-Clocking Point-to-Point Modem Interface Configuration Example - RS232C

**SYNCHRONOUS MULTIDROP**

The iSBX 352 MULTIMODULE is used as both a master and a slave node in the RS449/422A example shown in Figure 5. This synchronous multidrop application is effective for high-speed data transfers between slave stations and a central master station.

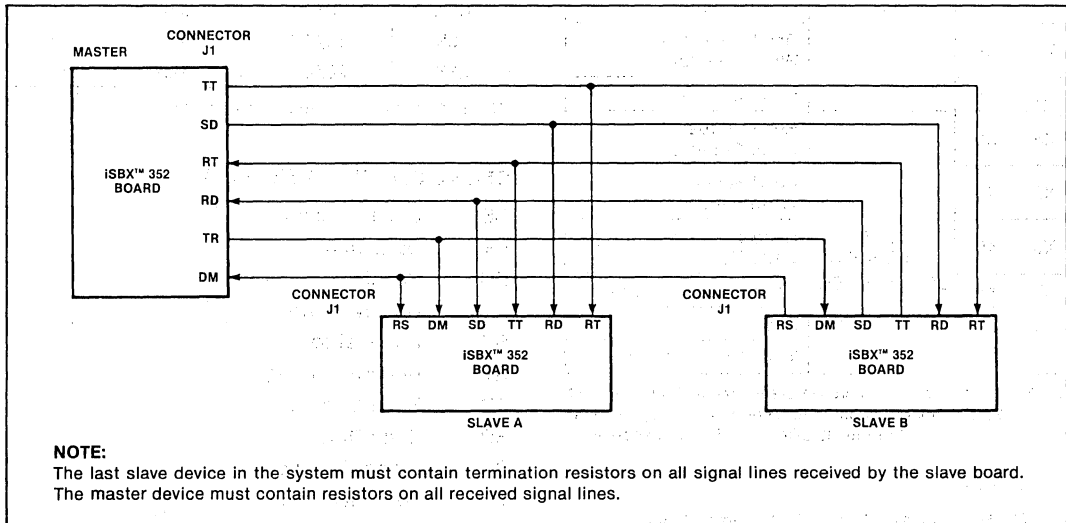
**ASYNCHRONOUS SELF-CLOCKING MULTIDROP**

The iSBX 352 MULTIMODULE example in Figure 6 shows a master and multiple slaves in a multidrop

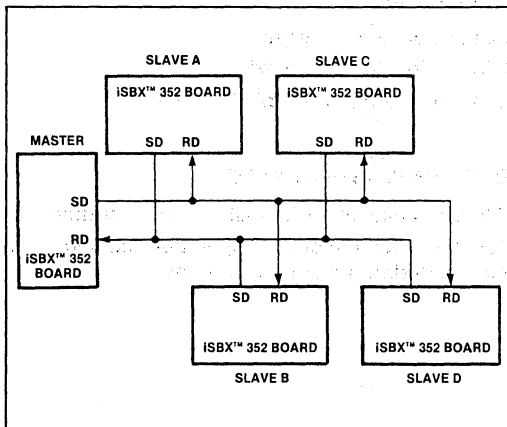
configuration. This self-clocking example uses the 8273 digital phase lock loop and NRZI data encoding.

**SDLC Loop**

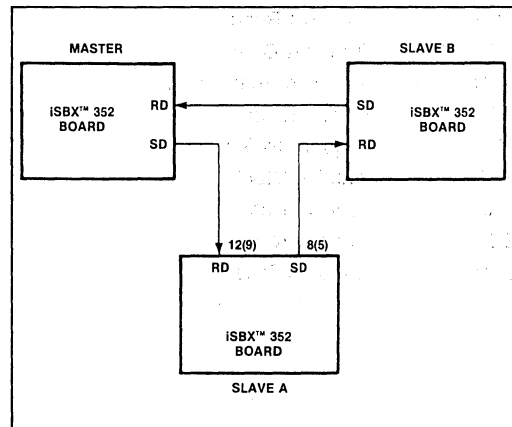
The SDLC self-clocking loop configuration shown in Figure 7 permits longer networks since each secondary slave station is a repeater set in one-bit-delay mode. The data sent out by the primary station (the loop controller) are relayed bit-for-bit through each secondary station and finally back to the master station.



**Figure 5. Synchronous Multidrop Network Configuration Example - RS422A**



**Figure 6. Self-Clocking Multidrop Configuration Example - RS422A**



**Figure 7. Self-Clocking SDLC Loop Network Configuration Example**

**SPECIFICATIONS**
**Data Size**

8 Bits

**I/O Port Addresses**

Port Address	Device Selected	Function Performed
<b>8-bit 16-bit</b>		
X0 X0	8254-2 PIT	Read Counter 0 Write Counter 0
X1 X2		Read Counter 1 Write Counter 1
X2 X4		Read Counter 2 Write Counter 2
X3 X6		Write Control
X4 X8	8273 HDLC/SDLC CONTROLLER	Read Status Write Command
X5 XA		Read Result Write Parameter
X6 XC		Read Transmit Interrupt Write Reset
X7 XE		Read Receive Interrupt
Y0 Y0		Read Receive Data
Y4 Y8		Write Transmit Data

**NOTE:** Refer to the Hardware Reference Manual for your host ISBCTM microcomputer to determine the upper digit (either X or Y) of the MULTIMODULETM port address.

**Interfaces**

**ISBX™ BUS** — All signals TTL compatible

**SERIAL RS232C SIGNALS**

CTS	Clear to Send
DSR	Data Set Ready
DTE TXC	Transmit Clock
DTR	Data Terminal Ready
FG	Frame Ground
RTS	Request to Send
RXC	Receive Clock
RXD	Receive Data
SG	Signal Ground
TXD	Transmit Data

**RATE GENERATOR FREQUENCIES**

Baud Rate bits/sec	8254-2 Divide Count		
	Synchronous	Self-Clocking	
64K	125	TX Clock	32X Clock
56K	143	—	—
48K	167	—	—
19.2K	417	—	—
9.6K	833	833	26
4.8K	1,667	1,667	52
2.4K	3,333	3,333	104
1.2K	6,667	6,667	208
0.6K	13,333	13,333	417
0.3K	26,667	26,667	833

**NOTE:** All numbers are in decimal notation.

**SERIAL RS449/422A SIGNALS**

CS	Clear to Send
DM	Data Mode
RC	Receive Common
RD	Receive Data
RS	Request to Send
RT	Receive Timing
SC	Send Common
SD	Send Data
SG	Signal Ground
TR	Terminal Ready
TT	Terminal Timing

**OPERATING SPEEDS**

- 24 MHz on-board crystal
- 8 MHz clocking of the 8254-2 PIT
- 4 MHz clocking of the 8273 Device

**DATA THROUGHPUT SPEED**

- 64K baud maximum for half-duplex operation
- 48K baud for full-duplex operation issuing commands during transmit operations

**SERIAL INTERFACE CONNECTORS**

Configuration	Mode <sup>2</sup>	MULTIMODULE™ Edge Connector	Cable	Connector
RS232C	DTE	26-pin <sup>5</sup> , 3M-3462-0001	3M <sup>3</sup> -3349/25	25-pin <sup>7</sup> , 3M-3482-1000
RS232C	DCE	26-pin <sup>5</sup> , 3M-3462-0001	3M <sup>3</sup> -3349/25	25-pin <sup>7</sup> , 3M-3483-1000
RS449	DTE	40-pin <sup>6</sup> , 3M-3464-0001	3M <sup>4</sup> -3349/37	37-pin <sup>1</sup> , 3M-3502-1000
RS449	DCE	40-pin <sup>6</sup> , 3M-3464-0001	3M <sup>4</sup> -3349/37	37-pin <sup>1</sup> , 3M-3503-1000

**NOTES:**

1. Cable housing 3M-3485-4000 may be used with the connector.
2. DTE – Data Terminal Equipment mode (male connector); DCE – Data Set Equipment mode (female connector).
3. Cable is tapered at one end to fit the 3M-3462 connector.
4. Cable is tapered to fit 3M-3464 connector.
5. Pin 26 of the edge connector is not connected to the flat cable.
6. Pins 38, 39, and 40 of the edge connector are not connected to the flat cable.
7. May be used with the cable housing 3M-3485-1000.

**Electrical Characteristics**
**DC POWER REQUIREMENTS**

Interface	Voltage	Current (max)	Total Power
RS 232C	+ 5 ± 0.25V	595 mA	3.8 watts
	- 12 ± 0.6V	30 mA	
	+ 12 ± 0.6V	30 mA	
RS 449/422A	+ 5 ± 0.25V	775 mA	4.1 watts

**Environmental Characteristics**

**Temperature** — 0 – 55 °C, free moving air across base board and MULTIMODULE board

**Humidity** — to 90%, without condensation

**Physical Characteristics**

**Width** — 7.27 cm (2.85 inches)

**Length** — 9.40 cm (3.70 inches)

**Height** — 1.40 cm (0.56 inches)

**Weight** — 72 gm (2.53 ounces)

**Reference Manual (Not Supplied)**

**143983** — iSBX 352 Bit Serial Communications MULTIMODULE Board Hardware Reference Manual.

Reference manuals may be ordered from any Intel sales representative, distributor office or from Intel Literature Department, 3065 Bowers Ave., Santa Clara, California 95051.

**ORDERING INFORMATION**

Part Number	Description
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