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Line Cards
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- *NT8D02 Digital Line Card description* (553-3001-162)

- *NT8D09 Analog Message Waiting Line Card description* (553-3001-163)

- *500/2500 line cards description and operation* (553-2201-183)

- *QPC578 Integrated Services Digital Line Card description* (553-2201-193)

This document also contains information on the new NT1R20 Off-premise Station Analog Line Card.

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About this document

This document is a global document. Contact your system supplier or your Nortel Networks representative to verify that the hardware and software described is supported in your area.

This document outlines the functions, specifications, applications, and operation of the various Meridian 1 line cards. This information is intended to be used as a guide when connecting the line cards to customer-provided station equipment.

References

See the Meridian 1 System planning and engineering guide for

- *System Engineering* (553-3001-151)

- *Spares Planning* (553-3001-153)

- *Equipment Identification* (553-3001-154)

- *Summary of Transmission Parameters* (553-2201-182)

See the Meridian 1 System installation and maintenance guide for

- *System Installation Procedures* (553-3001-210)

- *Circuit Card: Installation and Testing* (553-3001-211)

- *General Maintenance Information* (553-3001-500)

- *Fault Clearing* (553-3001-510)

- *Hardware Replacement* (553-3001-520)

See the X11 software guide for an overview of software architecture, procedures for software installation and management, and a detailed description of all X11 features and services. This information is contained in two documents:

- *X11 System Management* (553-3001-300)

- *X11 Features and Services* (553-3001-306)

See the *X11 Administration* (553-3001-311) for a description of all administration and maintenance programs, and *X11 System Messages Guide* (553-3001-411) for information about system messages.

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- *System Installation Procedures* (553-3001-210)

- *Circuit Card: Installation and Testing* (553-3001-211)

- *X11 Administration* (553-3001-311)

Overview

This document describes the various line cards that are used with the Meridian 1 switch. It shows how the line cards fit into the Meridian 1 architecture, how they are used at the customer site, and how they are installed and programmed. It then provides detailed technical specifications on each of the cards.

This document describes six line cards:

- NT1R20 Off-Premise Station Analog Line Card

- NT5D11 Line-side T1 Interface Card

- NT5D33 and 34 Line-Side E1 Interface Card

- NT8D02 Digital Line Card

- NT8D09 Analog Message Waiting Line Card

- NTRD24 24-port Digital Line Card

Select a line card

Each of the line cards was designed to fit a specific system need. Table 1 will help you select the line card that will best meet your needs.

Table 1
Line card characteristics

Part Number	Description	Lines	Line Type	Message Waiting	Super-vised Analog Lines	Archi-tecture
NT1R20	Off-Premise Station Analog Line Card	8	Analog	Interrupted dial tone	Yes	IPE
NT5D11	Line-side T1 Interface Card	24	T1	None	Yes	IPE
NT5D33 /34	Line-side E1 Interface Card	30	E1	None	Yes	IPE
NT8D02	Digital Line Card (16 voice/16 data)	16	Digital	Message waiting signal forwarded to digital phone for display	No	IPE
NT8D09	Analog Message Waiting Line Card	16	Analog	Lamp	No	IPE
NTRD24	24-port Digital Line Card (24 voice/8 data)	24	Digital	Message waiting signal forwarded to digital phone for display	No	IPE

Intelligent peripheral equipment line cards

The following line cards are designed using the Intelligent Peripheral Equipment (IPE) architecture and are recommended for use in all new system designs.

NT1R20 Off-Premise Station Analog Line Card

The NT1R20 Off-Premise Station (OPS) Analog Line Card is an intelligent eight-channel analog line card designed to be used with 2-wire analog terminal equipment such as analog (500/2500) telephones and analog modems. Each line has integral hazardous and surge voltage protection to protect the Meridian 1 system from damage due to lightning strikes and accidental power line connections. This card is normally used whenever the phone lines have to leave the building in which the Meridian 1 switch is installed. The OPS line card supports message waiting notification by interrupting the dial tone when the receiver is first picked up. It also provides battery reversal answer and disconnect analog line supervision and hook flash disconnect analog line supervision features.

NT5D11 Line-side T1 Interface Card

The NT5D11 Line-side T1 Interface Card is an intelligent 24-channel digital line card that is used to connect the Meridian 1 switch to T1 compatible terminal equipment on the line-side. T1 compatible terminal equipment includes voice mail systems, channel banks containing FXS cards, and key systems such as the Nortel Networks Norstar. The line-side T1 card differs from trunk T1 cards in that it supports terminal equipment features such as hook-flash, transfer, hold, and conference. It emulates an analog line card to the Meridian 1 software.

NT5D33 and 34 Line-side E1 Interface Card

The NT5D33/34 Line-side E1 Interface Card is an intelligent 30-channel digital line card that is used to connect the Meridian 1 switch to E1 compatible terminal equipment on the line-side. E1 compatible terminal equipment includes voice mail systems. The line-side E1 card emulates an analog line card to the Meridian 1 software.

NT8D02 Digital Line Card

The NT8D02 Digital Line Card is an intelligent 16-channel digital line card that provides voice and data communication links between a Meridian 1 switch and modular digital telephones. Each of the 16 channels support voice-only or simultaneous voice and data service over a single twisted pair of standard telephone wire.

NT8D09 Analog Message Waiting Line Card

The NT8D09 Analog Message Waiting Line Card is an intelligent 16-channel analog line card designed to be used with 2-wire terminal equipment such as analog (500/2500) telephones, modems, and key systems. This card can also provide a high-voltage, low-current signal on the Tip and Ring pair of each line to light the message waiting lamp on phones equipped with that feature.

NTRD24 Analog Message Waiting Line Card

The NTRD24 24-Port Digital Line Card (EDLC) provides an alternative configuration to the existing NT8D02 16-Port Digital Line Card (XDLC). The EDLC provides 24 voice units and 8 data units.

Installation

This section provides a high-level description of how to install and test line cards. For specific installation instructions, see *Circuit Card: Installation and Testing* (553-3001-211).

Intelligent peripheral equipment (IPE) line cards can be installed in any slot of the NT8D37 Intelligent Peripheral Equipment (IPE) Module. Figure 1 shows where an IPE line card can be installed in an NT8D37 IPE Module.

Figure 1
IPE line cards shown installed in an NT8D37 IPE Module
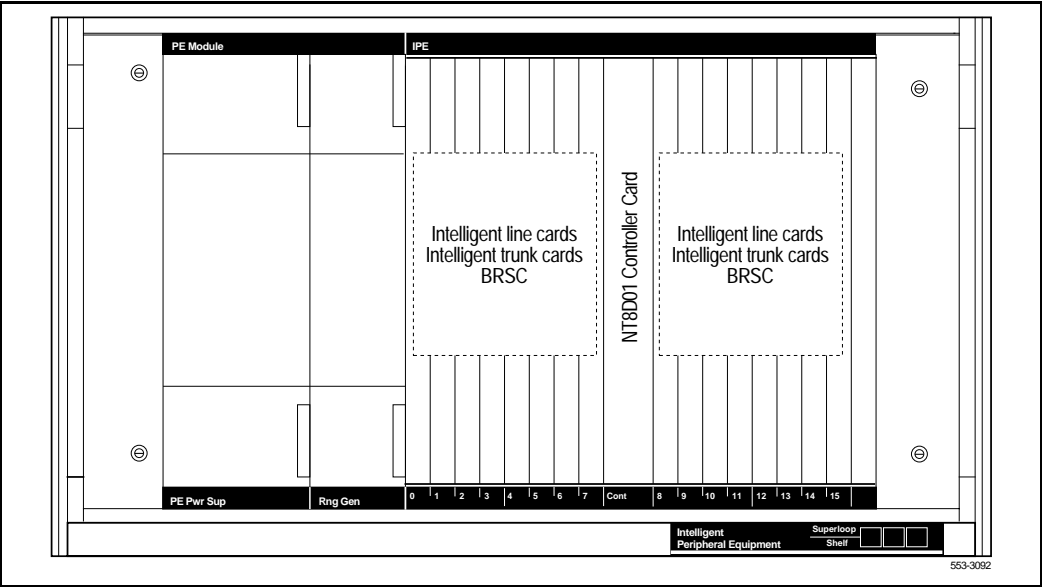
When installing line cards, these general procedures should be used:

- Configure the jumpers and switches on the line card (if any) to meet your system needs.

- Install the line card into the slot you have selected.

- Install the cable that connects the backplane connector on the IPE module to the module I/O panel.

- Connect a 25-pair cable from the module I/O panel connector to the main distribution frame (MDF).

- Connect the line card output to the selected terminal equipment at the MDF.

- Configure the individual line interface unit using the Single-line Telephone Administration program (LD 10) for analog line interface units and Multi-line Telephone Administration program (LD 11) for digital line interface units.

Once these steps have been completed, the terminal equipment is ready for use.

Operation

This section describes how line cards fit into the Meridian 1 architecture, the busses that carry signals to and from the line cards, and how they connect to terminal equipment. These differences are summarized in Table 2.

Host interface bus

Cards based on the IPE bus have a built-in microcontroller. The IPE microcontroller is used to perform local diagnostics (self-test), configure the card according to instructions issued by the Meridian 1 system processor, and report back to the Meridian 1 system processor information such as card identification (type, vintage, and serial number), firmware version, and programmed configuration status.

Table 2
IPE module architecture

Parameter	Intelligent Peripheral Equipment
Card Dimensions	31.75 x 25.4 x 2.2 cm. (12.5 x10.0 x 0.875 in.)
Network Interface	DS-30X Loops
Communications Interface	card LAN Link
Microcontroller	8031 / 8051 Family
Peripheral Interface Card	NT8D01 Controller Card
Network Interface Card	NT8D04 Superloop Network Card
Modules	NT8D37 IPE Module

Intelligent peripheral equipment

Intelligent peripheral equipment (IPE) line cards all have a similar architecture. Figure 2 shows a typical IPE line card architecture. The various line cards differ only in the number and types of line interface units.

Figure 2
Typical IPE analog line card architecture
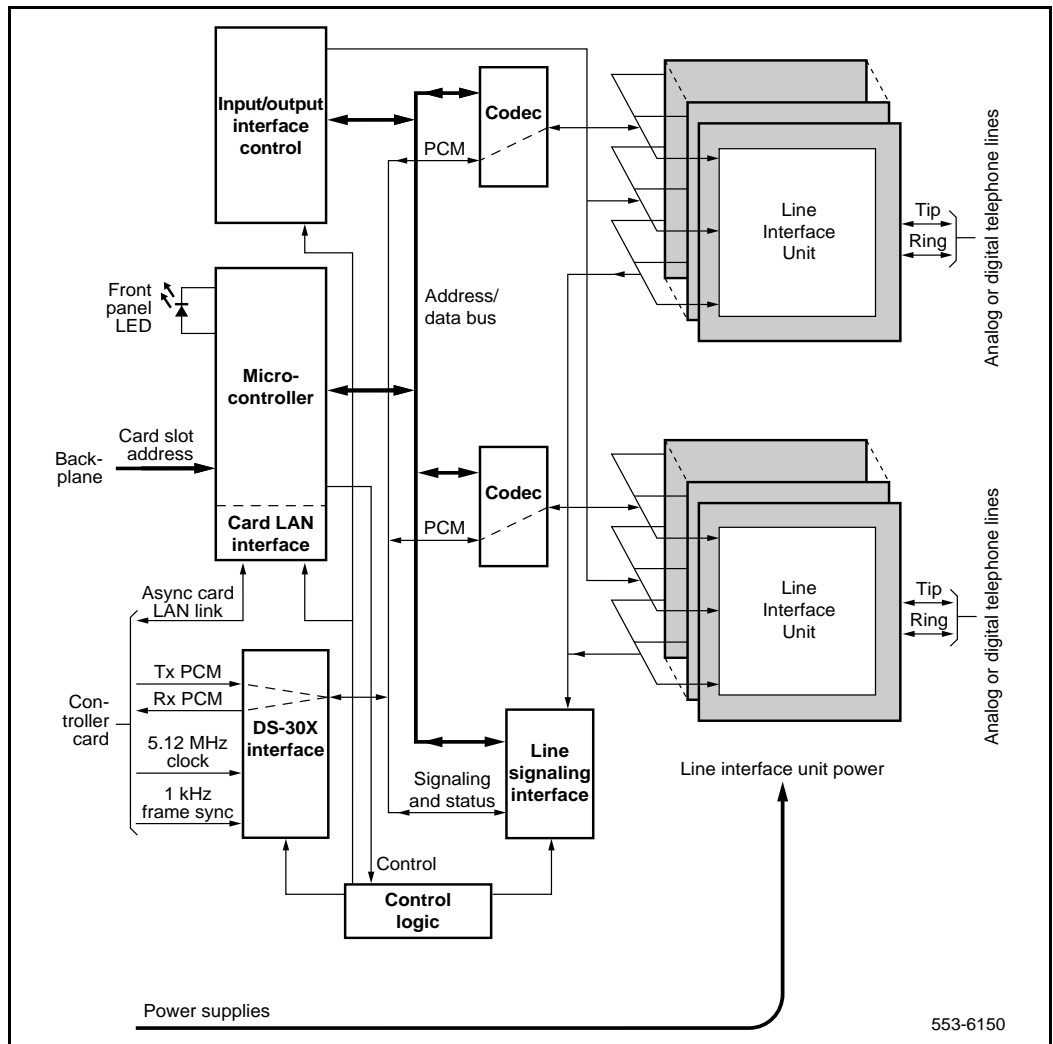
The Meridian 1 switch communicates with IPE modules over two separate interfaces. Voice and signaling data are sent and received over DS-30X loops, and maintenance data is sent over a separate asynchronous communications link called the card LAN link.

Signaling data is information directly related to the operation of the telephone line. Signaling commands include, but are not limited to the following:

- off-hook/on-hook

- ringing signal on/off

- message waiting lamp on/off

Maintenance data is data relating to the setup and operation of the IPE card, and is carried on the card LAN link. Maintenance data includes, but is not limited to the following:

- polling

- reporting of self-test status

- CP initiated card reset

- reporting of card ID (card type and hardware vintage)

- reporting of firmware version

- downloading line interface unit parameters

- reporting of line interface unit configuration

- enabling/disabling of the DS-30X network loop bus

- reporting of card status or T1 link status

DS-30X loops

The line interfaces provided by the line cards connect to conventional 2-wire (tip and ring) line facilities. IPE analog line cards convert the incoming analog voice and signaling information to digital form and route it to the Meridian 1 common equipment CP over DS-30X network loops. Conversely, digital voice and signaling information from the CP is sent over DS-30X network loops to the analog line cards where it is converted to analog form and applied to the line facility.

IPE digital line cards receive the data from the digital phone terminal as 512 kHz time compressed multiplexed (TCM) data. The digital line card converts that data to a format compatible with the DS-30X loop and transmits it in the next available timeslot. When a word is received from the DS-30X loop, the digital line card converts it to the TCM format and transmits it to the digital phone terminal over the digital line facility.

A separate dedicated DS-30X network loop is extended between each IPE line/trunk card and the controller cards within an IPE module. A DS-30X network loop is composed of two synchronous serial data buses. One bus transports in the transmit (Tx) direction towards the line facility and the other in the receive (Rx) direction towards the Meridian 1 common equipment.

Each bus has 32 channels for pulse code modulated (PCM) voice data. Each channel consists of a 10-bit word (see Figure 3). Eight of the 10 bits are for PCM data, one bit is the call signaling bit, and the last bit is a data valid bit. The eight-bit PCM portion of a channel is called a *timeslot.* The DS-30X loop is clocked at 2.56 Mbps (one-half the 5.12 MHz clock frequency supplied by the controller card). Thus, the timeslot repetition rate for a single channel is 8 kHz. The controller card also supplies a locally generated 1 kHz frame sync signal for channel synchronization.

Figure 3
DS-30X loop data format
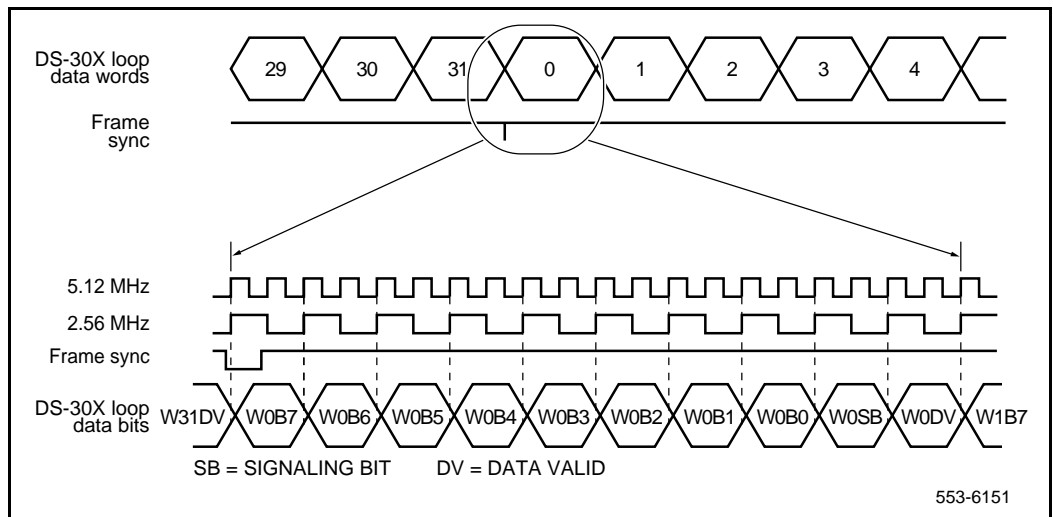
Signaling data is transmitted to and from the line cards using the call signaling bit within the 10-bit channel. When the line card detects a condition that the Meridian 1 switch needs to know about, it creates a 24-bit signaling word. This word is shifted out on the signaling bit for the associated channel one bit at a time during 24 successive DS-30X frames. Conversely, when the Meridian 1 switch sends signaling data to the line card, it is sent as a 24-bit word divided among 24 successive DS-30X frames.

DS-30Y network loops extend between controller cards and superloop network cards in the common equipment and function in a manner similar to DS-30X loops (see Figure 5). Essentially, a DS-30Y loop carries the PCM timeslot traffic of a DS-30X loop. Four DS-30Y network loops form a superloop with a capacity of 128 channels (120 usable timeslots). See *System Engineering* (553-3001-151) for more information on superloops.

Card LAN link

Maintenance communications is the exchange of control and status data between IPE line or trunk cards and the CE CP by way of the NT8D01 Controller Card. Maintenance data is transported via the *card LAN* link. This link is composed of two asynchronous serial buses (called the Async card LAN link in Figure 2). The output bus is used by the Meridian 1 controller for output of control data to the line card. The input bus is used by the Meridian 1 controller for input of line card status data.

A card LAN link bus is common to all of the line/trunk card slots within an IPE module. This bus is arranged in a master/slave configuration where the controller card is the master and all other cards are slaves. The module backplane provides each line/trunk card slot with a unique hardwired slot address. This slot address enables a slave card to respond when addressed by the controller card. The controller card communicates with only one slave at a time.

In normal operation, the controller card continually scans (polls) all of the slave cards connected to the card LAN to monitor their presence and operational status. The slave card sends replies to the controller on the input bus along with its card slot address for identification. In this reply, the slave informs the controller if any change in card status has taken place. The controller can then prompt the slave for specific information. Slaves only respond when prompted by the controller; they do not initiate exchange of control or status data on their own.

When an IPE line card is first plugged into the backplane, it runs a self-test. When the self-test is completed, a properly functioning card responds to the next controller card poll with the self-test status. The controller then queries for card identification and other status information. The controller then downloads all applicable configuration data to the line card, initializes it, and puts it into an operational mode.

Analog line interface units

Once the 8-bit digital voice signal has been received by the analog line card, it must be converted back into an analog signal, filtered, converted from a 4-wire transmission path to a 2-wire transmission path, and driven onto the analog telephone line. Figure 4 shows a typical example of the logic that performs these functions. Each part of the analog line interface unit is discussed in the following section.

Figure 4
Typical analog line interface unit block diagram
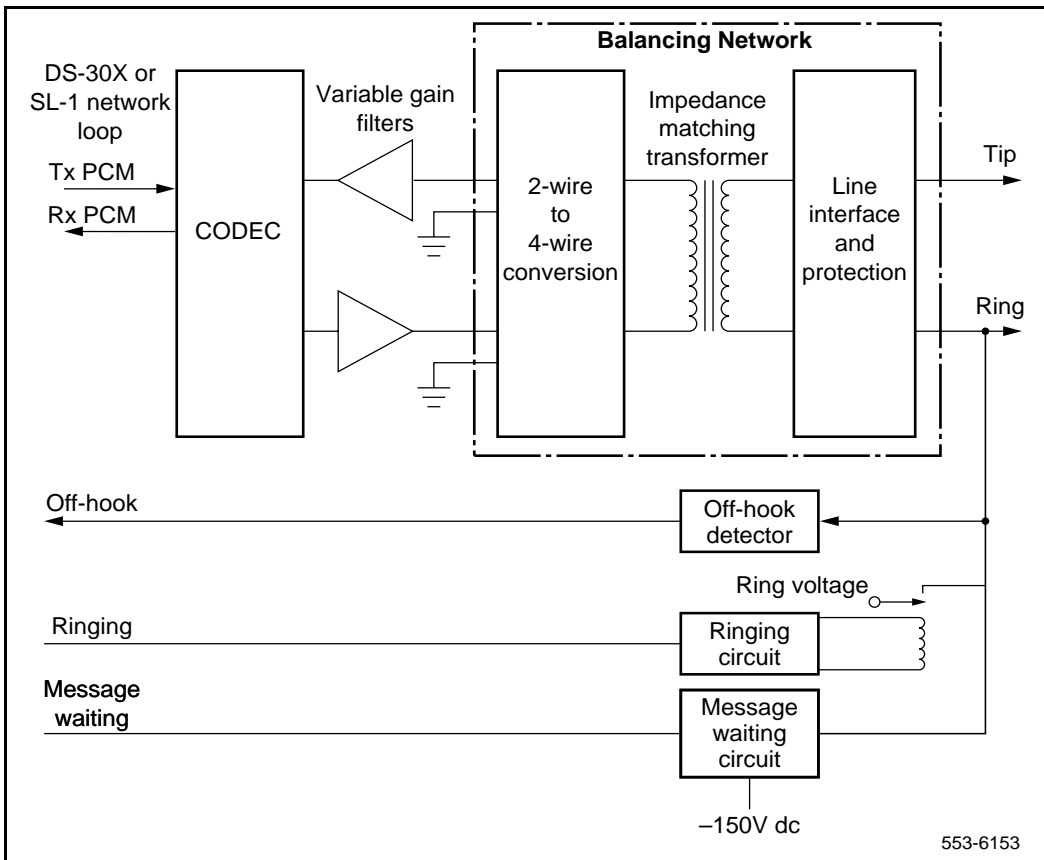
Coder/Decoder circuit

The Coder/Decoder (codec) performs analog to digital (A/D) and digital to analog (D/A) conversion of the line analog voiceband signal to and from a digital PCM signal. This signal can be coded and decoded using either the A-Law or the μ-Law companding algorithm. On some analog line cards the decoding algorithm depends of the type of codec installed when the board is built. On others, it is an option selected using a software overlay.

Variable gain filters

Audio signals received from the analog phone line are passed through a low-pass Analog to Digital (A/D) monolithic filter that limits the frequency spread of the input signal to a nominal 200 to 3400 Hz bandwidth. The audio signal is then applied to the input of the codec. Audio signals coming from the codec are passed through a low-pass A/D monolithic filter that integrates the amplitude modulated pulses coming from the codec, and then filters and amplifies the result. On some of the line cards, the gain of these filters can be programmed by the system controller. This allows the system to make up for line losses according to the loss plan.

Balancing network

Depending on the card type, the balancing network provides a 600 ¾, 900 ¾, 3COM or 3CM2 impedance matching network.
It also converts the 2-wire transmission path (tip and ring) to a 4-wire transmission path (Rx/ground and Tx/ground). The balancing network is usually a transformer/analog (hybrid) circuit combination, but can also be a monolithic subscriber line interface circuit (SLIC) on the newer line cards.

Line interface and foreign voltage protection

The line interface unit connects the balancing network to the telephone tip and ring pairs. The off-premise line card (NT1R20) has circuitry that protects the line card from foreign voltage surges caused by inadvertent power line connections and lightning surges. This protection is necessary whenever the telephone line leaves the building where the switch is installed.

The line interface unit (Figure 4) has a relay that applies the ringing voltage onto the phone line. The RSYNC signal from the 20 Hz (nominal) ringing voltage power supply is used to prevent switching of the relay during the current peak. This eliminates switching glitches and extends the life of the switching relay.

The off-hook detection circuit monitors the current draw on the phone line. When the current draw exceeds a preset value, the circuit generates an off-hook signal that is transmitted back to the system controller.

The message waiting circuit on message waiting line cards monitors the status of the message waiting signal and applies –150 V dc power to the tip lead when activated. This voltage is used to light the message waiting lamps on phones that are equipped with that feature. The high voltage supply is automatically disconnected when the phone goes off-hook. Later line cards are able to sense when the message waiting lamp is not working and can then report that information back to the system controller.

Digital line interface units

The NT8D02 digital line card provides voice and data communication links between a Meridian 1 switch and modular digital telephones. These lines carry multiplexed PCM voice, data and signaling information as time compression multiplexed (TCM) loops. Each TCM loop can be connected to a Nortel Networks "Meridian Modular Digital" telephone set.

The digital line interface card contains one or more digital line interface units (Figure 5). Each digital line interface unit contains a digital line interface circuit (DLIC). The purpose of each digital line interface circuit is to demultiplex data from the DS-30X Tx channel into integrated voice and data bitstreams and transmit those bitstreams as Bi-Polar Return to Zero, Alternate Mark Inversion (BPRZ-AMI) data to the TCM loop. It also does the opposite: receives BPRZ-AMI bitstreams from the TCM loop and multiplexes the integrated voice and data bitstream onto the DS-30X Rx channel.

Figure 5
Digital line interface unit block diagram
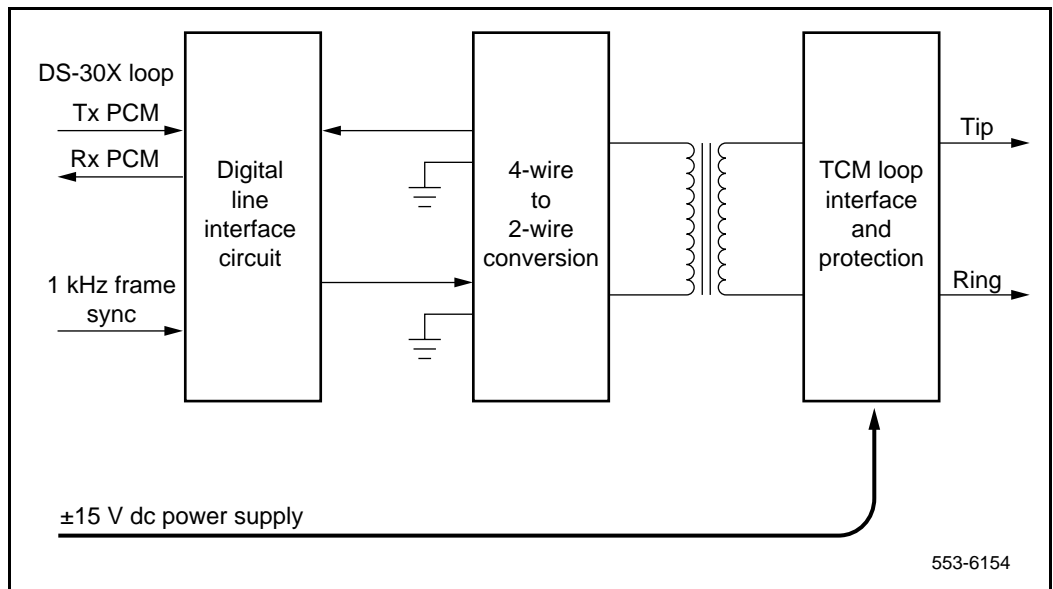
The 4-wire to 2-wire conversion circuit converts the 2-wire tip and ring leads into a 4-wire (Tx and ground and RX and ground) signal that is compatible with the digital line interface circuit.

TCM loop interfaces

Each digital phone line terminates on the digital line card at a TCM loop interface circuit. The circuit provides transformer coupling and foreign voltage protection between the TCM loop and the digital line interface circuit. It also provides power for the digital telephone set.

To prevent undesirable side effects from occurring when the TCM loop interface cannot provide the proper signals on the digital phone line, the system controller can remove the ± 15 V dc power supply from the TCM loop interface. This happens when either the card gets a command from the NT8D01 Controller Card to shut down the channel or the digital line card detects a loss of the 1 KHz frame synchronization signal.

Each TCM loop interface circuit can service loops up to 3500 ft. in length when using 24 gauge wire. The circuit allows for a maximum AC signal loss of 15.5 dB at 256 KHz and a maximum DC loop resistance of 210 ohms.

Signaling

The digital line interface units also contain signaling and control circuits that establish, monitor, and take down call connections. These circuits work with the system controller to operate the digital line interface circuits during calls. The circuits receive outgoing call signaling messages from the controller and return incoming call status information to the controller over the DS-30X network loop.

Analog line call operation

The applications, features, and signalling arrangements for each line interface unit are configured in software and implemented on the card through software download messages. When an analog line interface unit is idle, it provides a voltage near ground on the tip lead and a voltage near –48 V dc on the ring lead to the near-end station. (The near-end station is the telephone or device that is connected to the analog line card by the tip and ring leads.) An on-hook telephone presents a high impedance toward the line interface unit on the card.

Incoming calls

Incoming calls to a telephone that is connected to an analog line card can originate either from stations that are local (served by the Meridian 1 PBX), or remote (served through the public switched telephone network). The alerting signal to a telephone is 20 Hz (nominal) ringing. When an incoming call is answered by the near-end station going off-hook, a low-resistance DC loop is placed across the tip and ring leads (towards the analog line card) and ringing is tripped (see Figure 6).

Outgoing calls

For outgoing calls from the near-end station, a line interface unit is seized when the station goes off-hook, placing a low-resistance loop across the tip and ring leads towards the analog line card (see Figure 7). When the card detects the low-resistance loop, it prepares to receive digits. When the Meridian 1 is ready to receive digits, it returns dial tone. Outward address signaling is then applied from the near-end station in the form of loop (interrupting) dial pulses or DTMF tones.

Message waiting

Line cards that are equipped with the message waiting feature receive notification that a message is waiting across the Card LAN link (IPE cards). On cards that drive a message waiting light, the light is turned on by connecting the ring side of the telephone line to the –150 V dc power supply. When the line card senses that the telephone has gone off-hook, it removes the –150 V dc voltage until the telephone goes back on-hook. Line cards that use an interrupted dial tone to indicate message waiting do nothing until the receiver is picked up. The line card then interrupts the dial tone at a regular interval to indicate that a message is waiting.

Figure 6
Call connection sequence—near-end station receiving call

State	Signal/direction	Remarks
Line card unit idle	Ground on tip/ battery on ring — High-resistance loop	No battery current drawn.
		Far-end station goes off hook and addresses (dials up) near-end station. The Meridian 1 receives the incoming call on a trunk and determines that the call is for a specific unit terminal number (TN) and assigns message timeslots.
Alert	Ringing	Meridian 1 applies 20 Hz ringing to ring lead.
Near-end station off hook	Low-resistance loop	Near-end station goes off hook.
(2-way voice connection)		Meridian 1 detects increase in loop current, trips ringing, and cuts call through to near-end station.
Near-end station on hook	High-resistance loop	If near-end station hangs up first, the following occurs: Line card detects drop in loop current. CPU removes timeslot assignments.
Line card unit idle	Ground on tip/ battery on ring — High-resistance loop	Line card unit is ready for the next call.
Far-end station on hook	High-resistance loop	If far-end station hangs up first, the following occurs: Meridian 1 detects disconnect signaling from trunk. CPU removes timeslot assignments. Person at near-end station recognizes end of call and hangs up.
Line card unit idle	Ground on tip/ battery on ring — High-resistance loop	Line card unit is ready for the next call.

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Figure 7
Call connection sequence—near-end originating call

State	Signal/direction	Remarks
	Far-end station through PSTN — Meridian 1 — Near-end station	
Line card unit idle	Ground on tip/ battery on ring — High-resistance loop	No battery current drawn.
Call request	Low-resistance loop ←	Near-end station goes off hook. Battery current is drawn causing detection of off-hook state. CPU determines unit terminal number (TN) and assigns message timeslots.
	Dial tone →	Dial tone is applied to the near-end station from the Meridian 1.
Outpulsing	Addressing signals ←	Near-end station dials number (loop pulsing or DTMF tones).
	Dial tone →	Meridian 1 detects start of dialing and removes dial tone.
	Ringback (or busy) →	Meridian 1 decodes addressing, routes call, and supplies ringback tone to near-end station if far-end station is on hook. (Busy tone supplied if far-end station is busy.)
(2-way voice connection)	← →	When call is answered, ringback tone is removed , and call is cut through to far-end station.
Near-end station on hook	High-resistance loop ←	If near-end station hangs up first, the following occurs: Line card detects drop in loop current. CPU removes timeslot assignments.
Line card unit idle	Ground on tip/ battery on ring — High-resistance loop	Line card unit is ready for the next call.
Far-end station on hook	High-resistance loop ←	If far-end station hangs up first, the following occurs: Meridian 1 detects disconnect signaling from trunk. CPU removes timeslot assignments. Person at near-end station recognizes end of call and hangs up.
Line card unit idle	Ground on tip/ battery on ring — High-resistance loop	Line card unit is ready for the next call.

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In both cases, the message waiting indication will continue until the user checks his or her messages. At that time, the Meridian 1 system will cancel the message waiting indication by sending another message across the Card LAN link or Meridian 1 network loop.

Analog line supervision

Analog line supervision features are used to extend the answer supervision and disconnect supervision signals when the line card is connected to an intelligent terminal device (Key system or intelligent pay phone). Two types of analog line supervision are provided, *battery reversal answer and disconnect supervision*, and *hook flash disconnect supervision*.

Battery reversal answer and disconnect supervision

Battery reversal answer and disconnect supervision is only used for calls that originate from the terminal device. It provides both far-end answer supervision and far-end disconnect supervision signals to the terminal device. In an intelligent pay phone application, these signals provide the information necessary to accurately compute toll charges.

In the idle state, and during dialing and ringing at the far end, the line card provides a ground signal on the tip lead and battery on the ring lead (see Figure 8). When the far-end answers, these polarities are reversed. The reversed battery connection is maintained as long as the call is established. When the far-end disconnects, the Meridian 1 system sends a message that causes the line card to revert the battery and ground signals to the normal state to signal that the call is complete.
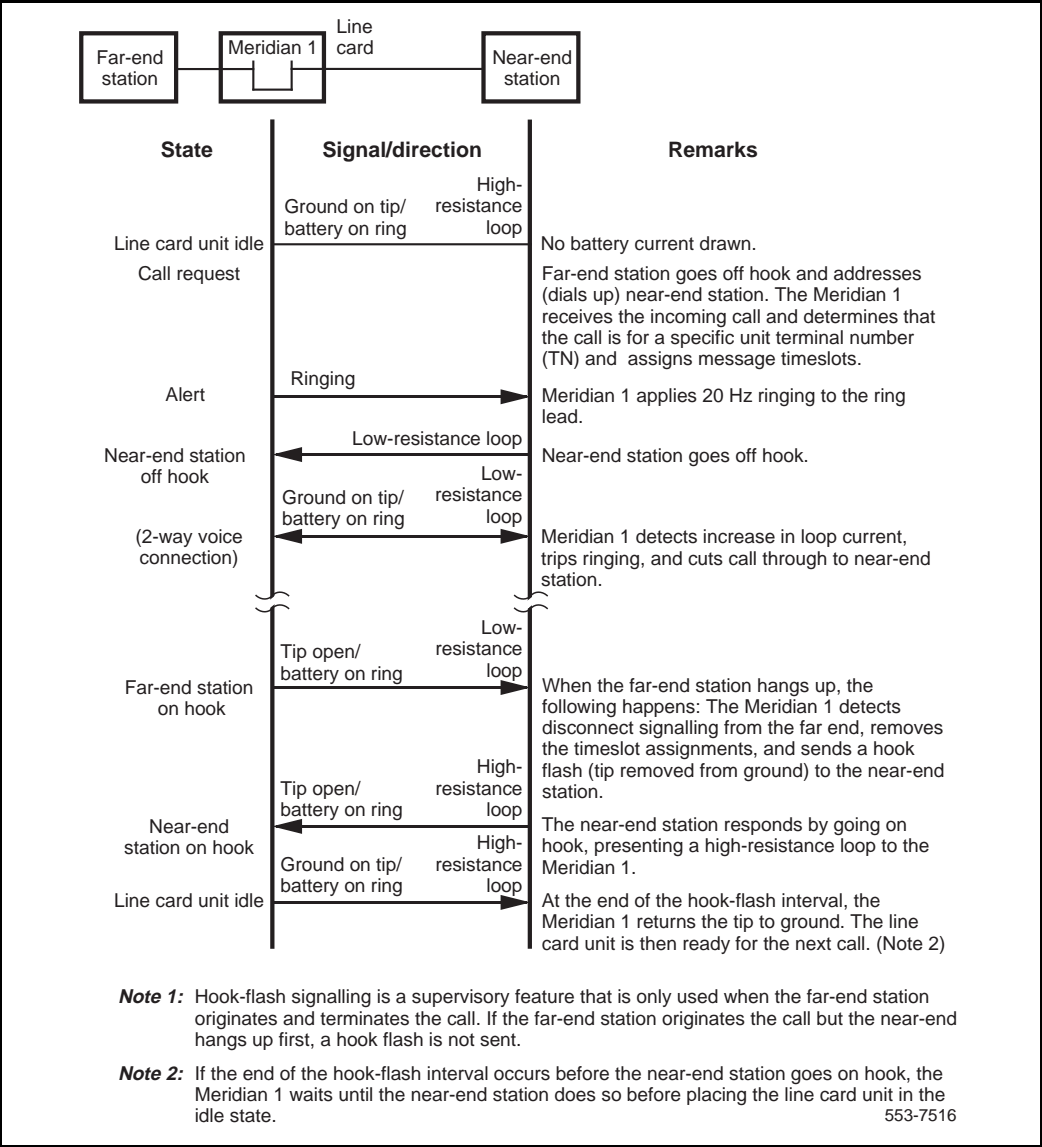
Hook Flash disconnect supervision

Hook flash disconnect supervision is only used for incoming calls that terminate at the terminal device (typically a Key system), see Figure 9. The disconnect signal is indicated by the removal of the ground connection to the tip lead for a specific period of time. The period of time is programmable using LD10, and ranges from a minimum of 10 milliseconds to a maximum of 2.55 seconds. See the *X11 Administration* (553-3001-311) for more information.

Figure 8
Battery reversal answer and disconnect supervision sequence

State	Signal/direction	Remarks
	Far-end station — Meridian 1 / Line card — Near-end station	
Line card unit idle	Ground on tip/ battery on ring — High-resistance loop	No battery current drawn.
Call request	Low-resistance loop ←	Near-end station goes off hook. Battery current is drawn causing detection of off-hook state. Meridian 1 determines unit terminal number (TN) and assigns message timeslots.
	Dial tone →	Dial tone is applied to the near-end station from the Meridian 1.
Outpulsing	Addressing signals ←	Near-end station dials number (loop pulsing or DTMF tones).
	Dial tone removed →	Meridian 1 detects start of dialing and removes dial tone.
	Ringback (or busy) →	Meridian 1 decodes addressing, routes call, and supplies ringback tone to near-end station if far-end station is on hook. (Busy tone supplied if far-end station is busy.)
	Battery on tip/ ground on ring — Low-resistance loop ←→	
(2-way voice connection)		When call is answered (either absolute or assumed answer, as programmed), ringback tone is removed, call is cut through to far-end station, and battery is reversed to near-end station for duration of call.
Near-end station on hook	Battery on tip/ ground on ring — High-resistance loop	If near-end station hangs up first, a high-resistance loop is presented to the Meridian 1.
Line card unit idle	Ground on tip/ battery on ring — High-resistance loop	Meridian 1 detects drop in loop current, removes timeslot assignments, sends disconnect signal to far-end station, and restores normal ground/battery polarity to the near-end station. Line card unit is then ready for the next call.
Far-end station on hook	Ground on tip/ battery on ring — Low-resistance loop	If far-end station hangs up first, the Meridian 1 detects disconnect signalling from the far end, removes timeslot assignments, and restores normal ground/battery polarity to the near-end station.
Line card unit idle	Ground on tip/ battery on ring — High-resistance loop ←	Near-end station detects battery reversal and goes on hook. Line card unit is then ready for the next call.

Note 1: Battery reversal signalling is a supervisory feature that is only used when the near-end station originates the call.

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Figure 9
Hook flash disconnect supervision sequence

State	Signal/direction	Remarks
	High-resistance loop / Ground on tip/ battery on ring	
Line card unit idle		No battery current drawn.
Call request		Far-end station goes off hook and addresses (dials up) near-end station. The Meridian 1 receives the incoming call and determines that the call is for a specific unit terminal number (TN) and assigns message timeslots.
Alert	Ringing →	Meridian 1 applies 20 Hz ringing to the ring lead.
Near-end station off hook	← Low-resistance loop	Near-end station goes off hook.
(2-way voice connection)	Ground on tip/ battery on ring — Low-resistance loop ↔	Meridian 1 detects increase in loop current, trips ringing, and cuts call through to near-end station.
Far-end station on hook	Tip open/ battery on ring — Low-resistance loop →	When the far-end station hangs up, the following happens: The Meridian 1 detects disconnect signalling from the far end, removes the timeslot assignments, and sends a hook flash (tip removed from ground) to the near-end station.
Near-end station on hook	← Tip open/ battery on ring High-resistance loop	The near-end station responds by going on hook, presenting a high-resistance loop to the Meridian 1.
Line card unit idle	Ground on tip/ battery on ring — High-resistance loop →	At the end of the hook-flash interval, the Meridian 1 returns the tip to ground. The line card unit is then ready for the next call. (Note 2)

Note 1: Hook-flash signalling is a supervisory feature that is only used when the far-end station originates and terminates the call. If the far-end station originates the call but the near-end hangs up first, a hook flash is not sent.

Note 2: If the end of the hook-flash interval occurs before the near-end station goes on hook, the Meridian 1 waits until the near-end station does so before placing the line card unit in the idle state.

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Digital line call operation

Digital line call operation is controlled entirely by use of messages between the digital telephone set and the Meridian 1 system. These messages are carried across the TCM loop interface. There is no call connection sequence similar to the one used for analog telephone line operation.

Line-side T1 call operation

The line-side T1 card's call operation is performed differently depending on whether the T1 link is configured to process calls in *loop start* mode or *ground start* mode. Configuration is performed through dip switch settings on the line-side T1 card.

The line-side T1 card performs calls processing separately on each of its 24 channels. Signaling is performed using the "A/B robbed bit" signaling standard for T1 communication. A/B robbed bit signaling simulates standard analog signaling by sending a meaningful combination of ones and zeros across the line that correlates to the electrical impulses that standard analog signaling sends. For example, to represent that an analog line interface unit is idle, the analog line card provides a ground on the tip lead and -48Vdc on the ring lead. The line-side T1 card accomplishes the same result by sending its A bit as 0 (translated as ground on the tip lead) and its B bit as 1 (translated as -48Vdc on the ring lead). However, measuring the voltage of the ring lead on the T1 line would not return -48Vdc, since actual electrical impulses are not being sent.

Call operation will be described by categorizing the operation into the following main states:

- Idle (on-hook)
- Incoming calls
- Outgoing calls
- Calls disconnected by the Central Office (CO)
- Calls disconnected by the telephone

Loop Start Mode

In Loop Start mode , the A and B bits have the following meaning:

> Transmit from LTI:A bit = 0 (tip ground on)
> B bit = Ringing (0=on, 1=off)
>
> Receive to LTI: A bit = Loop (0=open, 1=closed)
> B bit = 1 (no ring ground)

When a T1 channel is idle, the line-side T1 card simulates a ground on the tip lead and -48Vdc on the ring lead to the terminal equipment by setting its transmit A bit to 0 and transmit B bit to 1. Accordingly, an on-hook channel on the terminal equipment simulates an open loop toward the line-side T1 card, causing the line-side T1 card's receive bits to be set to A = 0 and receive B = 1.

Incoming calls

Incoming calls to terminal equipment attached to the line-side T1 card can originate either from stations that are local (served by the Meridian 1 PBX), or remote (served through the public switched telephone network). To provide the ringing signal to a telephone the line-side T1 card simulates an additional 90V on the ring lead to the terminal equipment by alternating the transmit B bit between 0 and 1 (0 during ring on, 1 during ring off). When an incoming call is answered by the terminal equipment going off-hook, the terminal equipment simulates tripping the ringing and shutting off ringing, causing the line-side T1 card's receive A bit to be changed from 0 to 1.

Outgoing calls

During outgoing calls from the terminal equipment, a channel is seized when the station goes off-hook. This simulates a low-resistance loop across the tip and ring leads toward the line-side T1 card, causing the line-side T1's receive A bit to be changed from 0 to 1. This bit change prepares the line-side T1 to receive digits. Outward address signaling is then applied from the terminal equipment in the form of DTMF tones or loop (interrupting) dial pulses that are signaled by the receive A bit pulsing between 1 and 0.

Call disconnect from far end (PSTN, private network or local Station)

When a call is in process, the central office may disconnect the call from the Meridian 1. If the line-side T1 port has been configured with the supervised analog line (SAL) feature, the line-side T1 card will respond to the distant end disconnect message by momentarily changing its transmit A bit to 1 and then returning it to 0. The duration of time that the transmit A bit remains at 1 before returning to 0 depends upon the setting that was configured using the SAL. If the terminal equipment is capable of detecting distant end disconnect, it will respond by changing the line-side T1 card's receive A bit to 0 (open loop).The call is now terminated and the interface is in the idle (on-hook) state.

For the line-side T1 card to support distant end disconnect in loop start mode, the following configuration parameters must exist:

*   The Supervised Analog Line (SAL) feature must be configured for each line-side T1 port.

    Note: By default, the SAL feature opens the tip side for 750 m/s in loop start operation. This is configurable in 10 m/s increments.

*   For outgoing trunk calls, the trunk facility must provide far end disconnect supervision.

*   In order to detect distant end disconnect for calls originating on the line-side T1 card, the battery reversal feature within the SAL software must be enabled. Enabling the battery reversal feature will not provide battery reversal indication but will only provide a momentary interruption of the tip ground by asserting the A bit to 1 for the specified duration.

*   In order to detect distant end disconnect for calls terminating on the line-side T1 card, the hook flash feature within the SAL software must be enabled.

*   In order to detect distant end disconnect for calls originating and terminating on the line-side T1 card, both the battery reversal and hook flash features must be enabled within the SAL software.

Call disconnect from line-side T1 terminal equipment

Alternatively, while a call is in process, the terminal equipment may disconnect by going on-hook. The terminal equipment detects no loop current and sends signaling to the line-side T1card that causes its receive A bit to change from 1 to 0. The call is now released.

Table 3 outlines the line-side T1's A and B bit settings in each state of call processing.

Ground Start Mode

In ground start mode, the A and B bits have the following meaning:

Transmit from LTI:A bit = Tip ground (0=grounded, 1=not grounded)
    B bit = Ringing (0=on, 1=off)

Receive to LTI: A bit = Loop (0=open, 1=closed)
  B bit = Ring ground (0=grounded, 1=not grounded)

When a T1 channel is idle, the line-side T1 card simulates a ground on the tip lead and -48Vdc on the ring lead to the terminal equipment by setting the transmit A bit to 1 and transmit B bit to 1. Accordingly, an on-hook telephone simulates an open loop toward the line-side T1 card, causing the line-side T1 card's receive bits to be set to A = 0 and B = 1.

Incoming Calls

Incoming calls to terminal equipment that is connected to the line-side T1 card can originate either from stations that are local (served by the Meridian 1 PBX), or remote (served through the public switched telephone network). To provide the ringing signal to the terminal equipment the line-side T1 card simulates the 90V ring signal on the ring lead by alternating the transmit B bit between 0 and 1 (0 during ring on, 1 during ring off), and ground on the tip lead by setting the transmit A bit to 0. When an incoming call is answered (by the terminal equipment going off-hook), the terminal equipment simulates tripping the ringing and shutting off ringing by causing the line-side T1's receive A bit to change from 0 to 1. The line-side T1 card responds to this message by simulating loop closure by holding the transmit B bit constant at 1.

Table 3
Loop Start Call Processing A/B Bit Settings

State	Transmit		Receive	
	A	**B**	**A**	**B**
Idle	0	1	0	1
Incoming Calls:				
• Idle	0	1	0	1
• Ringing is applied from line-side T1 card	0	1/0	0	1
• Terminal equipment goes off-hook	0	1/0	1	1
• Line-side T1 card stops ringing	0	1	1	1
Outgoing Calls:				
• Idle	0	1	0	1
• Terminal equipment goes off-hook	0	1	1	1
Call Disconnect from far end:				
• Steady state (call in progress)	0	1	1	1
• Far end disconnects by dropping loop current and line-side T1 card changes Transmit A bit to 1 momentarily.	1	1	1	1
• Terminal equipment responds causing Receive A bit to change to 0.	1	1	0	1
• Line-side T1 responds by changing its Transmit A bit to 0. Call is terminated and set to idle state.	0	1	0	1
Call disconnect from terminal equipment:				
• Steady state (call in progress)	0	1	1	1
• Terminal equipment goes on-hook causing the Receive A bit to change to 0. Call is terminated and set to idle state.	0	1	0	1

Outgoing Calls

During outgoing calls from the terminal equipment, a channel is seized when the terminal equipment goes off-hook, simulating a ground to the ring lead toward the line-side T1 card by causing the line-side T1's receive B bit to change from 1 to 0. In turn, the line-side T1 card simulates grounding its tip lead by changing the transmit A bit to 0. The terminal equipment responds to this message by removing the ring ground (line-side T1's receive B bit is changed to 1) and simulating open loop at the terminal equipment (line-side T1's receive A bit is changed to 0).

Call disconnect from far end (PSTN, private network or local station

While a call is in process, the far end may disconnect the call. If the line-side T1 port has been configured with the supervised analog line (SAL) feature, the line-side T1 will respond to the distant end disconnect message by opening tip ground. This causes the line-side T1 card to change the transmit A bit to 1. When the terminal equipment sees the transmit A bit go to 1, it responds by simulating open loop causing the line-side T1's receive A bit to change to 0. The call is terminated and the interface is once again in the idle condition.

For the line-side T1 card to support distant end disconnect in ground start mode, the following configuration parameters must exist:

• The Supervised Analog Line (SAL) feature must be configured for each line-side T1 port.

  Note: By default, the SAL feature opens the tip side for 750 m/s in loop start operation. This is configurable in 10 m/s increments.

• In order to detect distant end disconnect for calls originating on the line-side T1 card, the "battery reversal" feature within the SAL software must be enabled. Enabling the "battery reversal" feature will not provide battery reversal indication when a call is answered; it will only provide battery reversal indication when a call is disconnected.

- In order to detect distant end disconnect for calls terminating on the line-side T1 card, the "hook flash" feature within the SAL software must be enabled.

- In order to detect distant end disconnect for calls originating and terminating on the line-side T1 card, both the "battery reversal" and "hook flash" features within the SAL software must be enabled.

Call disconnect from line-side T1 terminal equipment

Alternatively, while a call is in process, the terminal equipment may disconnect by going on-hook, causing the line-side T1's receive A bit to change to 0. The line-side T1 card responds to this message by simulating the removal of ground from the tip by changing its transmit A bit to 1. The call is now terminated and the interface is once again in the idle condition.

Table 4 outlines the line-side T1's A and B bit settings in each state of call processing.

Ground Start Restrictions

If you are using the line-side T1 card in ground start mode, certain restrictions should be considered. Because the Meridian 1 system treats the line-side T1 card as a standard loop start analog line card, the ground start operation of the line-side T1 card has operational limitations compared to typical ground start interface equipment relating to *start of dialing, distant end disconnect* and *glare potential*.

Distant end disconnect restrictions

If the supervised analog line (SAL) feature is not available in your Meridian 1 software, the line-side T1 card is not capable of indicating to the Customer Premise Equipment (CPE) when a call has been terminated by the distant end. In this case, the line-side T1 card will continue to provide a grounded tip indication (A=0) to the CPE until it detects an open loop indication (A=0) from the CPE, at which time it will provide an open tip indication (A=1). Therefore, without SAL software, the line-side T1 card is not capable of initiating the termination of a call to the CPE.

With the SAL software configured for each line-side T1 line, the line-side T1 card will provide an open tip indication to the CPE when it receives an indication of supervised analog line from the Meridian 1 system, thus providing normal ground start protocol call termination.

Table 4
Ground Start Call Processing A/B Bit Settings

State	Transmit		Receive	
	A	**B**	**A**	**B**
Idle	1	1	0	1
Incoming Calls (to terminal equipment):				
• Idle	1	1	0	1
• Ringing is applied from line-side T1 card by simulating ground on tip lead and ringing on ring lead.	0	0/1	0	1
• Terminal equipment goes off-hook by simulating ground on tip lead and ringing on ring lead.	0	0/1	1	1
Outgoing Calls (from terminal equipment):				
• Idle	1	1	0	1
• Terminal equipment goes off-hook.	1	1	0	0
• The line-side T1 simulates grounding its tip lead	0	1	0	0
• Terminal equipment opens ring ground and closes loop	0	1	1	1
Call Disconnect from far end:				
• Steady state (call in progress)	0	1	1	1
• The line-side T1 ungrounds tip	1	1	1	1
• Terminal equipment opens loop current	1	1	0	1
Call disconnect from terminal equipment:				
• Steady state (call in progress)	0	1	1	1
• Terminal equipment goes open loop current	0	1	0	1
• Line-side T1 card opens tip ground	1	1	0	1

Glare restrictions

In telephone lines or trunks, glare occurs when a call origination attempt results in the answering of a terminating call that is being presented by the far end simultaneously with the call origination attempt by the near end.

The line-side T1 detects presentation of a terminating call (outgoing to line-side T1 terminal equipment) by detecting ringing voltage. If application of the ringing voltage is delayed due to traffic volume and ringing generator capacity overload, the line-side T1 ground start operation cannot connect the tip side to ground to indicate the line has been seized by the Meridian 1.

In ground start mode, glare conditions need to be considered if both incoming and outgoing calls to the Customer Premise Equipment (CPE) are going to be encountered. In the event that both the Meridian 1 and the CPE simultaneously attempt to use a line-side T1 line, the Meridian 1 will complete the call termination rather than backing down and allowing the CPE to complete the call origination, as in normal ground start operation. If both incoming and outgoing calls are to be handled through the line-side T1 interface, separate channels should be configured in the Meridian 1 system and the CPE for each call direction, to eliminate the possibility of glare conditions on call origination.

Voice frequency audio level

The digital pad for line-side T1 card audio level is fixed for all types of call connection (0 dB insertion loss in both directions), and differs from the Meridian 1 analog line. Audio level adjustments, if required, must be made in the line-side T1 terminal equipment.

Off-premise line protection

Off-premise applications are installations where the telephone lines are extended outside the building where the PBX system is housed, but the lines are not connected to public access facilities. This application is commonly referred to as a "campus installation."

In off-premise applications, special protection devices and grounding are required to protect PBX and telephone components from any abnormal conditions that might occur. Abnormal conditions include, but are not limited to, lightning strikes and power line crosses.

The NT1R20 Off-Premise Station Line Card has built-in protection against lightning strikes and power line crosses. These should be the preferred cards for an off-premise application. Some of the other cards can be used when external line protectors are installed.

When using the line-side T1 card for an off-premise or network application, external line protectors must be installed. Install an isolated type channel service unit (CSU) as part of your terminal equipment to provide the necessary isolation and outside line protection. The CSU should be an FCC part 68 or CSA certified unit.

Line protectors

Line protectors are voltage-absorbing devices that are installed at the cross-connect terminals at both the main building and the remote building. The use of line protectors will ensure that system and telephone components are not damaged from accidental voltages that are within the limit of the capacity of the protection device. Absolute protection from lightning strikes and other stray voltages cannot be guaranteed, but proven cases have shown that the use of line protection devices significantly reduces the possibility of damage.

Nortel Networks has tested line protection devices from three manufacturers (see Table 5). Each manufacturer offers devices for protection of digital as well as analog telephone lines.

These devices are compatible with 66 type M1-50 split blocks or equivalent. Consult the device manufacturer if more specific compatibility information is required.

Line protection grounding

In conjunction with line protectors, proper system (PBX) grounding is essential to minimize equipment damage. Nortel Networks recommends that you follow the grounding connection requirements as described in *System Installation Procedures* (553-3001-210). This requirement includes connecting the ground for the protection devices to the approved building earth ground reference. Any variances to these grounding requirements could limit the functionality of the protection device.

Table 5
Line protection device ordering information

Device order code		Manufacturer
Analog Line	**Digital Line**	
UP2S-235	UP2S-75	ITW Linx Communications 201 Scott Street Elk Grove Village, IL 60007 (708) 952-8844 or (800) 336-5469
6AP	6DP	Oneac Corporation 27944 North Bradley Road Libertyville, IL 60048-9700 (800) 553-7166 or (800) 327-8801 x555
ESP-200	ESP-050	EDCO Inc. of Florida 1805 N.E. 19th Avenue P.O. Box 1778 Ocala, FL 34478 (904) 732-3029 or (800) 648-4076

Line and telephone components

Because testing of the line protectors was limited to the line cards and telephones shown below, only these components should be used for off-premise installations.

Telephones

- Meridian Modular Telephones (digital)

- Meridian Digital Telephones

- Standard analog (500/2500) telephones

Line Cards

- NT1R20 Off-Premise Station Line Card

- NT8D02 Digital Line Card

- NT8D03 Analog Line Card

- NT8D09 Analog Line Card with Message Waiting

- NTRD24 24-port Digital Line Card

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Content list

The following are the topics in this section:

Reference list

The following are the references in this section:

- *Summary of Transmission Parameters* (553-2201-182)

- *System Installation Procedures* (553-3001-210)

- *X11 Administration* (553-3001-311)

Introduction

The NT1R20 Off-Premise Station (OPS) Analog Line Card is an intelligent peripheral equipment (IPE) device that can be installed in either the NT8D37 IPE Module. The OPS analog line card interfaces eight analog telephone lines with hazardous and surge voltage protection to the Meridian 1 switch. Each line interface is independently configurable by software control in the Analog (500/2500) Telephone Administration program (LD 10).

Physical description

The OPS analog line card mounts in any IPE slot. The line interface and common multiplexing circuitry is mounted on a 31.75 cm by 25.40 cm (12.5 in. by 10 in.) printed circuit board.

The OPS analog line card connects to the IPE backplane through a 160-pin connector shroud. The backplane is cabled to the input/output (I/O) panel on the rear of the module, which is then connected to the main distribution frame (MDF) by 25-pair cables. Telephone lines from station equipment cross connect to the OPS analog line card at the MDF using a wiring plan similar to that used for trunk cards. See *System Installation Procedures* (553-3001-210) for termination and cross-connect information.

The faceplate of the card is equipped with a red light-emitting diode (LED) (see Figure 10). When an OPS analog line card is installed, the LED remains lit for two to five seconds while the self-test runs. If the self-test completes successfully, the LED flashes (off/on) three times and remains lit until the card is configured and enabled in software; then the LED goes out. If the LED does not follow this pattern or operates in any other manner, such as continually flashing or remaining weakly lit, the card should be replaced.

Figure 10
OPS analog line card—faceplate
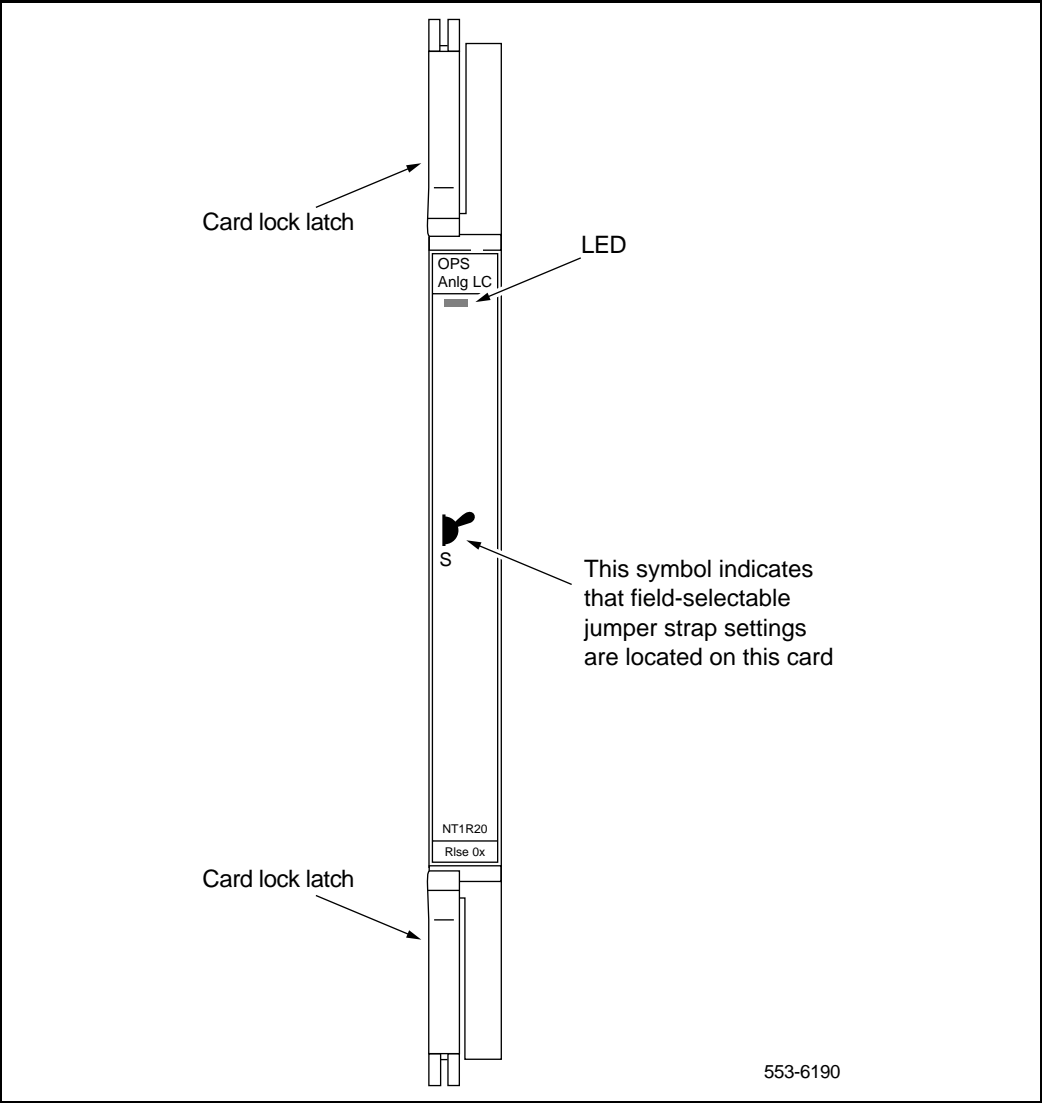
Functional description

Figure 11 shows a block diagram of the major functions contained on the off-premise station (OPS) analog line card. Each of these functions are described on the following pages.

Figure 11
OPS analog line card—block diagram
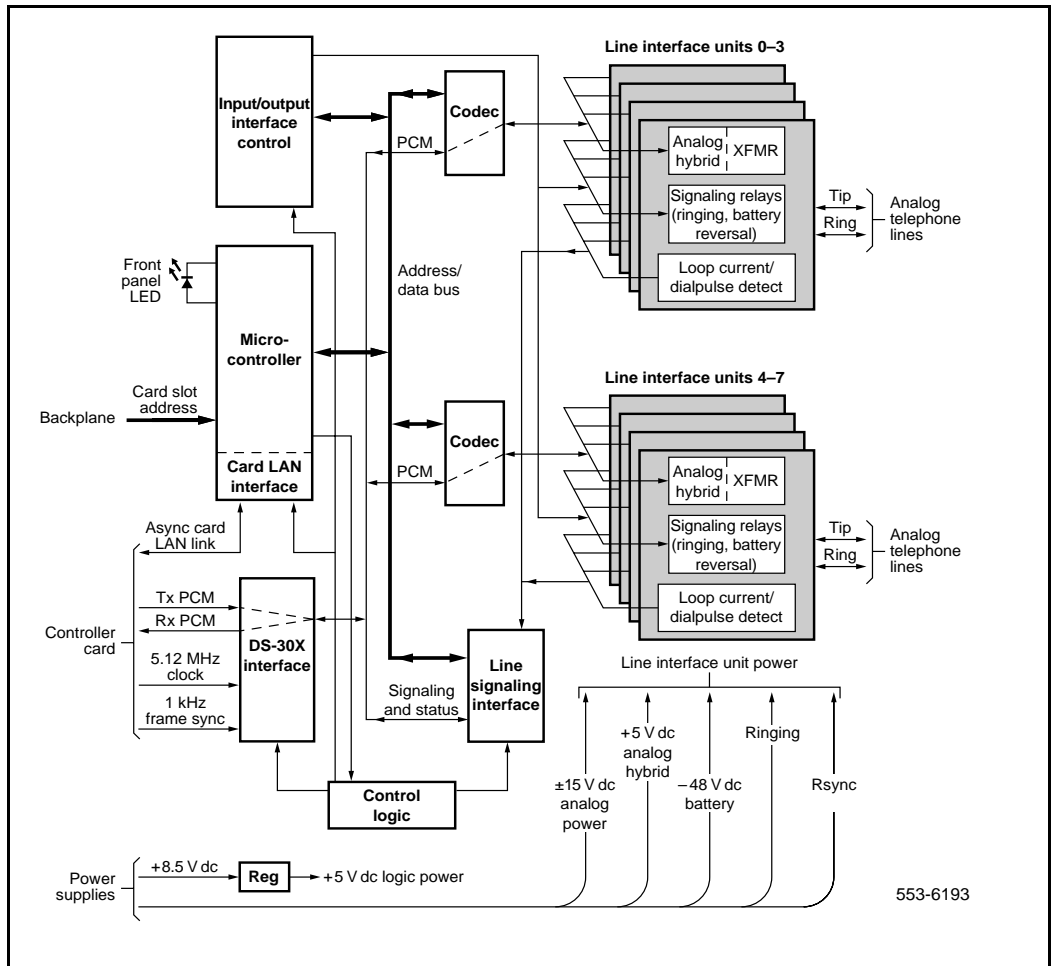
Card interfaces

The OPS analog line card passes voice and signaling data over DS-30X loops and maintenance data over the card LAN link. These interfaces are discussed in detail in "Intelligent peripheral equipment line cards" on page 12.

Line interface units

The OPS analog line card contains eight identical and independently configurable line interface units (also referred to as circuits). Each unit provides impedance matching and a balance network in a signal transformer/analog hybrid circuit. Relays are also provided in each unit to apply ringing onto the line. Signal detection circuits monitor on-hook/off-hook signaling. Two codecs are provided for performing A/D and D/A conversion of line analog voiceband signals to digital PCM signals. Each codec supports four line interface units and contains switchable pads for control of transmission loss on a per unit basis. The following features are common to all units on the card:

- OPS or ONS (on-premise station) service configurable on a per unit basis

- terminating impedance (600 or 900 ohm) selectable on a per unit basis

- standard or complex balance impedance (600 or 900 ohm or 3COM or 3CM2) selectable on a per unit basis

- loopback of PCM signals over DS-30X network loop for diagnostic purposes

Card control functions

Control functions are provided by a microcontroller, a Card LAN link, and signaling and control circuits on the OPS analog line card.

Microcontroller

The OPS analog line card contains a microcontroller that controls the internal operation of the card and the serial card LAN link to the controller card. The microcontroller controls the following:

- reporting to the CE CP via the card LAN link:
    - card identification (card type, vintage, and serial number)
    - firmware version
    - self-test status
    - programmed configuration status
- receipt and implementation of card configuration:
    - programming of the codecs
    - enabling/disabling of individual units or entire card
    - programming of input/output interface control circuits for administration of line interface unit operation
    - enabling/disabling of an interrupted dial tone to indicate call waiting
    - maintenance diagnostics
    - transmission loss levels

Card LAN interface

Maintenance data is exchanged with the Common Equipment CP over a dedicated asynchronous serial network called the Card LAN link. The Card LAN link is described in the section "Intelligent peripheral equipment" on page 17.

The OPS analog line card has the capability of providing an interrupted dial tone to indicate that a message is waiting or that call forwarding is enabled. The line card (optionally) receives messages stating that these conditions exist over the Card LAN Interface and interrupts the dial tone when either of these conditions are detected.

Signaling and control

The signaling and control portion of the card provides circuits that establish, supervise, and take down call connections. These circuits work with the system CP to operate the line interface circuits during calls. The circuits receive outgoing call signaling messages from the CP and return incoming call status information over the DS-30X network loop.

Circuit power

The +8.5 V dc input is regulated down to +5 V dc for use by the digital logic circuits. All other power to the card is used by the line interface circuits. The ±15.0 V dc inputs to the card are used to power the analog circuits. The +5 V dc from the module power supply is used for the analog hybrid. The –48.0 V dc input is for telephone set battery. Ringing power for telephone sets is 86 Vrms ac at 20 Hz on –48 V dc. The Rsync signal is used to switch the 20 Hz ringing on and off at the zero cross-over point to lengthen the life of the switching circuits.

Electrical specifications

This section lists the electrical characteristics of the OPS analog line card.

Analog line interface

Table 6 lists the electrical characteristics of OPS analog line card line interface units.

Table 6
OPS analog line card—electrical characteristics

Characteristic	Specification
Terminal impedance (TIMP)	600 or 900 ohms
Balance impedance (BIMP)	600 or 900 ohms, 3COM, or 3CM2
DC signaling loop length (max)	2300-ohm loop (including resistance of telephone set) with nominal battery of –48 V dc
Battery supply voltage	–42 to –52.5 V dc
Minimum detected loop current	16 mA
Ground potential difference	± 3 V
Line leakage	$\geq$ 30k ohms, tip-to-ring, tip-to-ground, ring-to-ground
AC induction rejection	10 V rms, tip-to-ring, tip-to-ground, ring-to-ground

Power requirements

Table 7 shows the maximum power consumed by the card from each system power supply.

Table 7
OPS analog line card—power requirements

Voltage	Tolerance	Current (max.)
±15.0 V dc	± 5%	150 mA
+8.5 V dc	± 2%	200 mA
+5.0 V dc	± 5%	100 mA
−48.0 V dc	± 5%	350 mA

Foreign and surge voltage protection

The OPS analog line card meets UL-1489 and CS03 over-voltage (power cross) specifications and FCC Part 68 requirements for hazardous and surge voltage limits.

Ringer limitations

The OPS line card supports up to three NE-C4A (3 REN) ringers on each line for either ONS or OPS applications. This is shown in Table 8.

Table 8
OPS analog line card—ringer limitations

ONS Loop Range	Maximum Number of Ringers (REN)
0–10 ohms	3
> 10–460 ohms	2

OPS Loop Range	Maximum Number of Ringers (REN)
0–10 ohms	3
> 10–900 ohms	2
> 900–2300 ohms	1

Environmental specifications

Table 9 shows the environmental specifications of the card.

Table 9
OPS analog line card—environmental specifications

Parameter	Specifications
Operating temperature	0° to +60° C (+32 to +140° F), ambient
Operating humidity	5 to 95% RH (non-condensing)
Storage temperature	−40° to +70° C (−40° to +158° F)

Connector pin assignments

The OPS analog line card brings the eight analog phone lines to the IPE backplane through a 160-pin connector shroud. The backplane is cabled to the input/output (I/O) panel on the rear of the module, which is then connected to the main distribution frame (MDF) by 25-pair cables.

Telephone lines from station equipment cross connect to the OPS analog line card at the MDF using a wiring plan similar to that used for trunk cards. A typical connection example is shown in Figure 12, and a list of the connections to the analog line card are shown in Table 10. See *System Installation Procedures* (553-3001-210) for complete I/O panel connector information and wire assignments for each tip/ring pair.

Table 10
OPS analog line card—backplane pinouts

Backplane Connector Pin	Signal	Backplane Connector Pin	Signal
12A	Unit 0, Ring	12B	Unit 0, Tip
13A	Unit 1, Ring	13B	Unit 1, Tip
14A	Unit 2, Ring	14B	Unit 2, Tip
15A	Unit 3, Ring	15B	Unit 3, Tip
16A	Unit 4, Ring	16B	Unit 4, Tip
17A	Unit 5, Ring	17B	Unit 5, Tip
18A	Unit 6, Ring	18B	Unit 6, Tip
19A	Unit 7, Ring	19B	Unit 7, Tip

Figure 12
OPS analog line card—typical cross connection example

Note: Actual pin numbers may vary depending on the vintage of the card cage and the slot where the card is installed.

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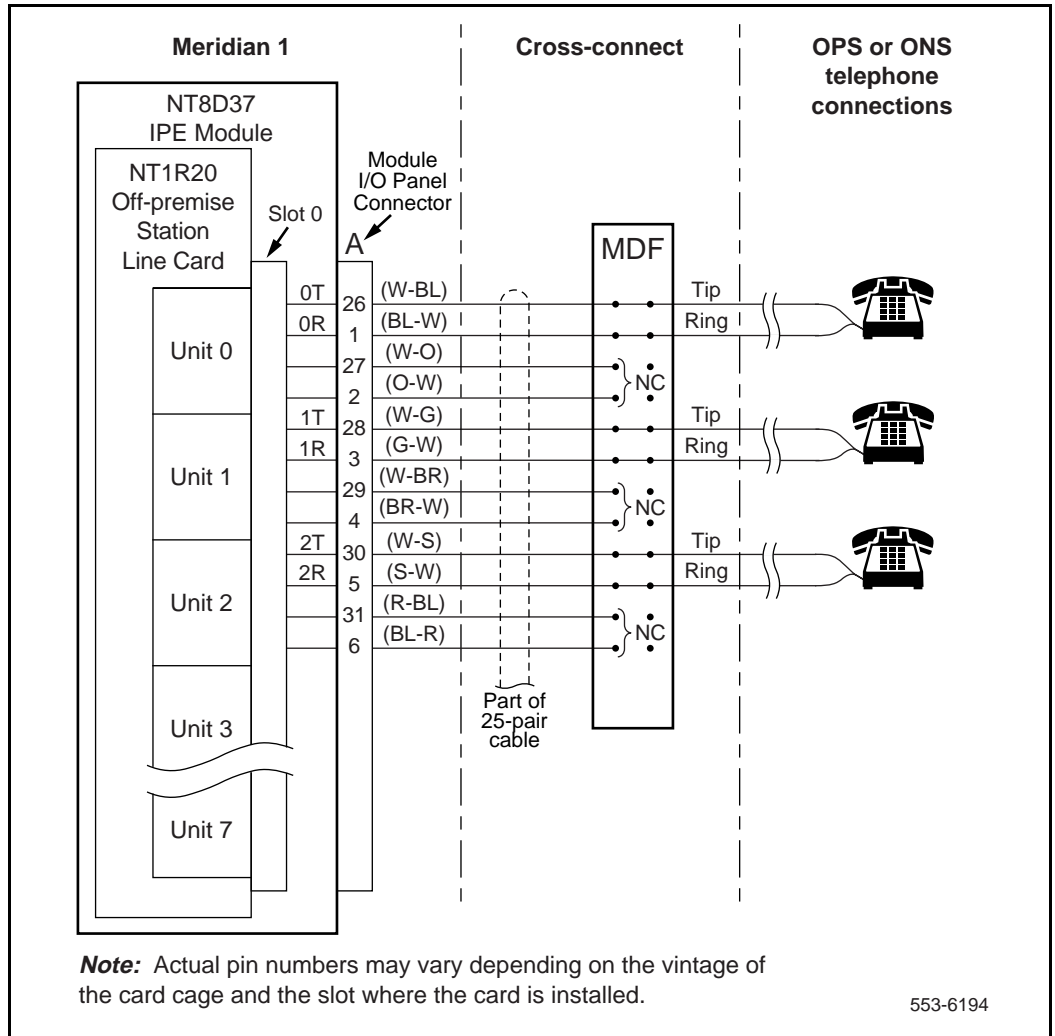
Configuring the OPS analog line card

The line type, terminating impedance, and balance network configuration for each unit on the card is selected by software service change entries at the system terminal and by jumper strap settings on the card.

Jumper strap settings

Each line interface unit on the card is equipped with two jumper blocks that are used to select the proper loop current depending upon loop length (see Table 11). For units connected to loops of 460 to 2300 ohms, both jumper blocks for that unit must have jumper blocks installed. For loops that are 460 ohms or less, jumper blocks are not installed. Figure 13 shows the location of the jumper blocks on the OPS analog line card.

Before the appropriate balance network can be selected, the loop length between the near-end (Meridian 1) and the far-end station must be known. To assist in determining loop length, Table 12 shows some typical resistance and loss values for the most common cable lengths for comparison with values obtained from actual measurements.

Software service changes

Individual line interface units on the OPS analog line card are configured to either OPX (for OPS application) or ONP (for ONS application) class-of-service (CLS) using the Analog (500/2500) Telephone Administration program (LD 10). (See Table 11.) LD 10 is also used to select unit terminating impedance and balance network impedance at the TIMP and BIMP prompts, respectively. The message waiting interrupted dial tone and call forward reminder tone features are enabled by entering data into the customer data block using LD 15. See the *X11 Administration* (553-3001-311) for LD 10 and LD 15 service change instructions.

Table 11
OPS analog line card—configuration

Application	On-premise station (ONS)			Off-premise station (OPS)			
Class of Service (CLS) (Note 1)	ONP			OPX			
Loop resistance (ohms)	0–460			0–2300 (Note 2)			
Jumper strap setting (Note 6)	Both JX.0 and JX.1 off			Both JX.0 and JX.1 off		Both JX.0 and JX.1 on	
Loop loss (dB) (Note 3)	0–1.5	>0–3.0	>2.5–3.0	0–1.5	>1.5–2.5	>2.5–4.5	>4.5–15
TIMP (Notes 1, 4)	600 ohms	600 ohms	600 ohms	600 ohms	600 ohms	600 ohms	600 ohms
BIMP (Notes 1, 4)	600 ohms	3COM	3CM2	600 ohms	3COM	3CM2	3CM2
Gain treatment (Note 5)	No						Yes

Note 1: Configured in the Analog (500/2500) Telephone Administration program (LD 10).

Note 2: The maximum signaling range supported by the OPS analog line card is 2300 ohms.

Note 3: Loss of untreated (no gain devices) metallic line facility. Upper loss limits correspond to loop resistance ranges for 26 AWG wire.

Note 4: The following are the default software impedance settings:

	ONP CLS	OPX CLS
Termination Impedance (TIMP):	600 ohms	600 ohms
Balanced Impedance (BIMP):	600 ohms	3CM2

Note 5: Gain treatment, such as a voice frequency repeater (VFR) is required to limit the actual OPS loop loss to 4.5 dB, maximum. VFR treatment of metallic loops having untreated loss greater than 15 dB (equivalent to a maximum signaling range of 2300 ohms on 26 AWG wire) is not recommended.

Note 6: Jumper strap settings JX.0 and JX.1 apply to all eight units; "X" indicates the unit number, 0–7. "Off" indicates that a jumper strap is not installed across both pins on a jumper block. Store unused straps on the OPS analog line card by installing them on a single jumper pin as shown below:

Figure 13
OPS analog line card—jumper block locations

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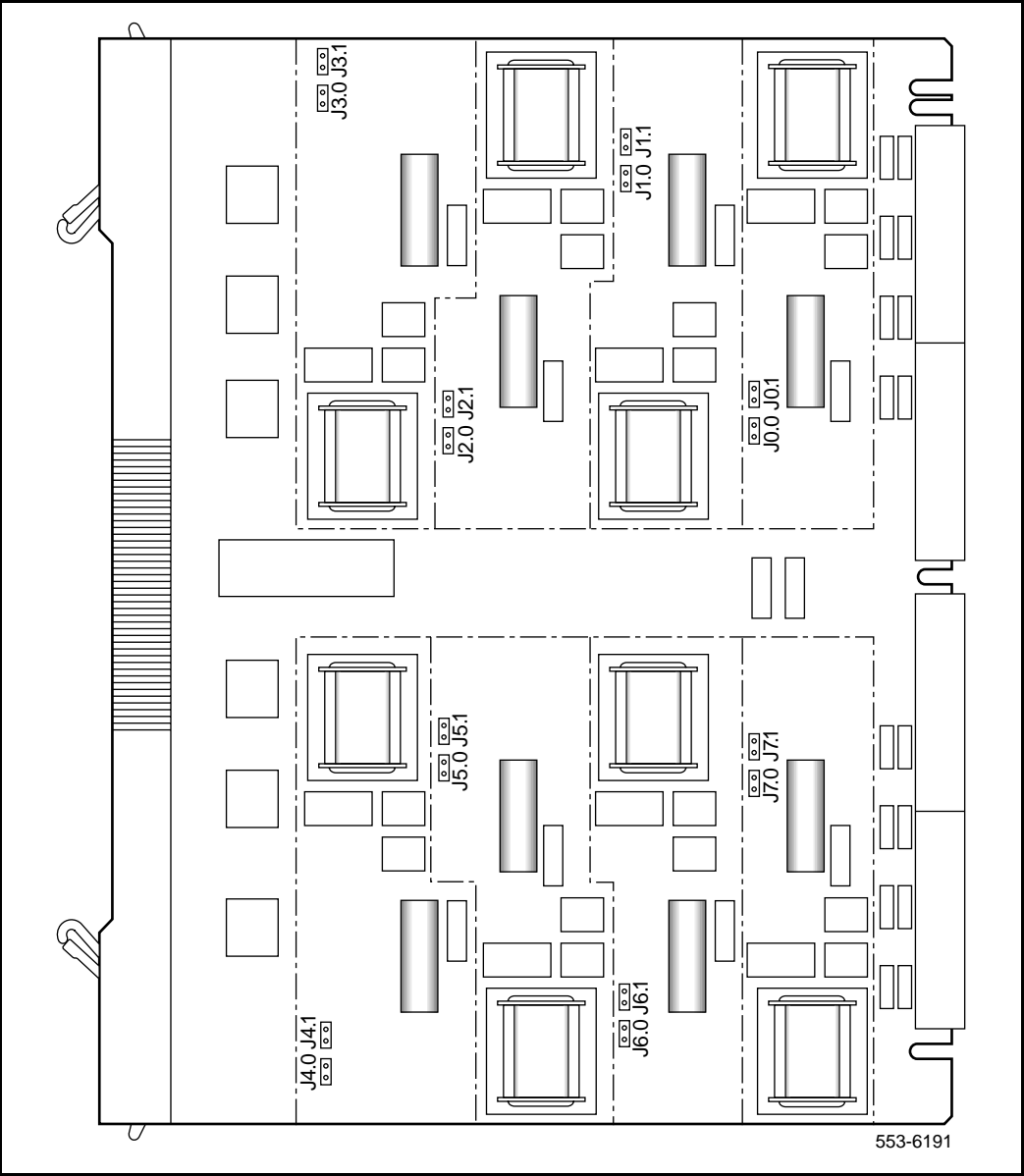
Port-to-port loss configuration

The OPS analog line card provides transmission loss switching for control of end-to-end connection loss. Control of loss is a major element in controlling transmission performance parameters such as received volume, echo, noise, and crosstalk. The loss plan for the OPS analog line card determines port-to-port loss for connections between an OPS analog line card unit (port) and other Meridian 1 IPE ports. LD 97 is used to configure the Meridian system for port-to-port loss. See the *X11 Administration* (553-3001-311) for LD 97 service change instructions.

The transmission properties of each line unit are characterized by the OPX or ONP class-of-service assigned in the Analog (500/2500) Telephone Administration program (LD 10). A complete loss plan is given in *Summary of Transmission Parameters* (553-2201-182) where the appropriate port-to-port electrical loss may be determined for connections between any two Meridian 1 ports (lines, analog trunks, or digital trunks).

Table 12
OPS analog line card—cable loop resistance and loss

Cable length	Cable loop loss (dB) (non-loaded at 1kHz)			Cable loop resistance (ohms)		
	26 AWG	**24 AWG**	**22 AWG**	**26 AWG**	**24 AWG**	**22 AWG**
847 m (2800 ft)	1.5	1.2	0.9	231.4	144.2	90
1411 m (4600 ft)	2.5	2	1.6	385.6	240.3	150
1694 m (5600 ft)	3	2.4	1.9	462.8	288.3	180
2541 m (8300 ft)	4.5	3.7	2.8	694.2	432.5	270
8469 m (27800 ft)	15	12.2	9.4	2313.9	1441.7	900

Applications

Off-premise station application

The NT1R20 Off-Premise Station (OPS) Analog Line Card is designed primarily to provide an interface for Meridian 1 off-premise station lines. An OPS line serves a terminal—typically, but not exclusively, a telephone set—remote from the PBX either within the same serving area as the local office or through a distant office. The line is not switched at these offices; however, depending on the facilities used, the local office serving the OPS station may provide line functions such as battery and ringing. Facilities are generally provided by the local exchange carrier (OPS pairs are usually in the same cable as the PBX-CO trunks). The traditional OPS scenario configuration is shown in Figure 14.

> *Note:* OPS service should not be confused with off-premise extension (OPX) service. OPX service is the provision of an extension to a main subscriber loop bridged onto the loop at the serving CO or PBX. Additionally, OPX as used to denote off-premise extension service should not be confused with the OPX class-of-service assigned in the Analog (500/2500) Telephone Administration program (LD 10).

Other applications

The operating range and built-in protection provisions of the OPS analog line card make it suitable for applications that are variants on the traditional configuration shown in Figure 14. The following are some examples of such applications:

- a PBX in a central building serving stations in other buildings in the vicinity, such as in an industrial park (often called a campus environment). Facilities may be provided by the local exchange carrier or may be privately owned. Protection may or may not be a requirement.

- termination to other than a telephone set, such as to a key telephone system

- individual circuits on the OPS analog line card may also be configured as ONS ports in LD 10:
    - to have ONS service with hazardous and surge voltage protection (not available on other Meridian 1 analog line cards)
    - to use otherwise idle OPS analog line card ports

Figure 14
Traditional OPS application configuration

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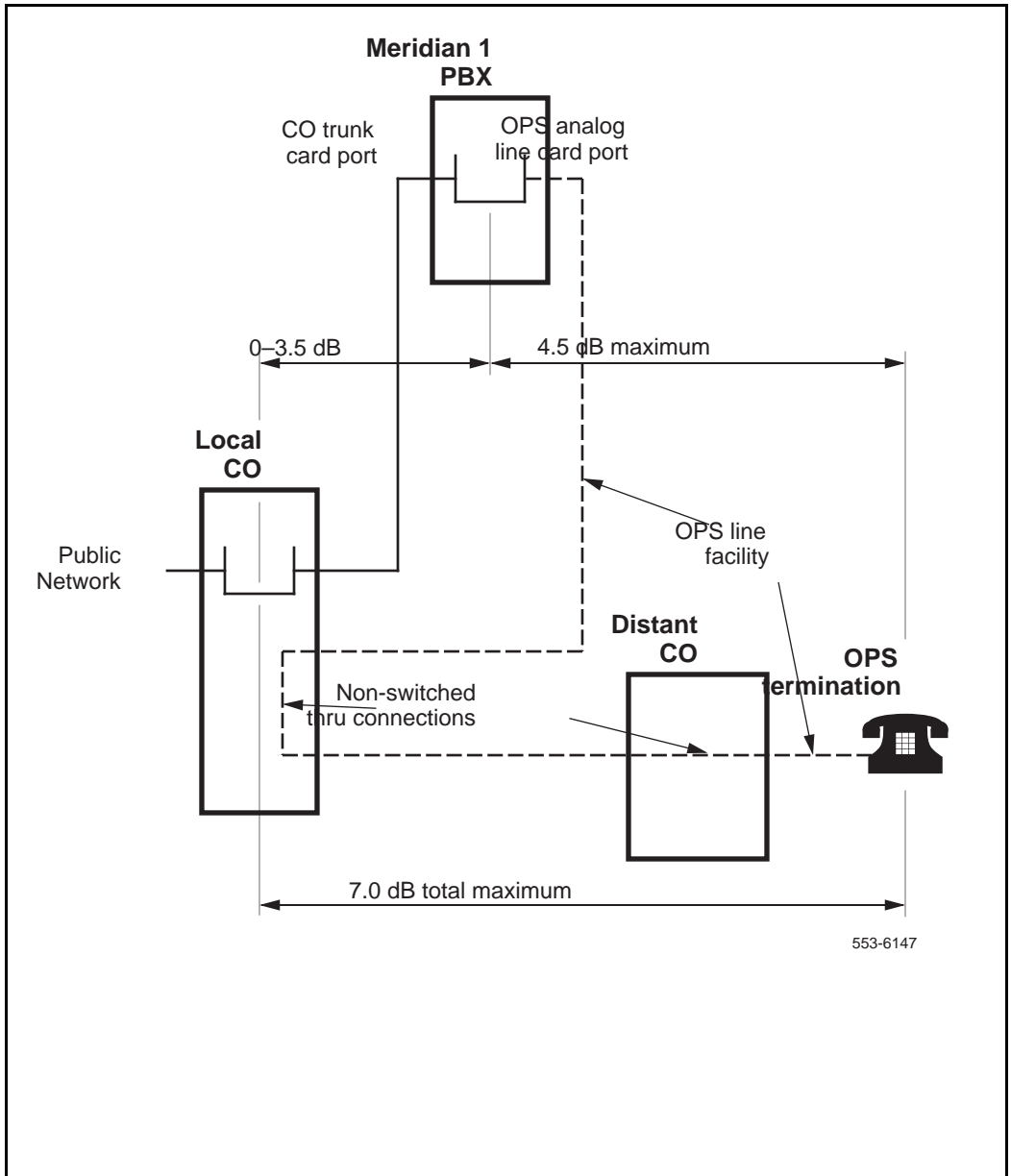
Transmission considerations

The transmission performance of OPS lines is dependent on the following factors:

- the Meridian 1 port-to-port loss for connections between OPS ports and other Meridian 1 ports

- the transmission parameters of the facilities between the Meridian 1 OPS port and the off-premise station or termination

- the electrical and acoustic transmission characteristics of the termination

These factors must be considered when planning applications using the OPS analog line card. They are of particular importance when considering configurations other than the traditional OPS application shown in Figure 14. The discussion which follows is intended to provide basic transmission planning guidelines for various OPS applications.

Port-to-port loss

Loss is inserted between OPS analog line card ports and other Meridian 1 ports in accordance with the Meridian 1 loss plan. This plan determines the port-to-port loss for each call. When a port is configured for OPX class-of-service, loss is programmed into the OPS analog line card on a call-by-call basis. When configured for ONP class-of-service, an OPS analog line card port is programmed to a value that is fixed for all calls. However, the loss in the other port involved in the call may vary on a call-by-call basis to achieve the total loss scheduled by the plan. *Summary of Transmission Parameters* (553-2201-182) shows the specific loss for each possible port-to-port combination.

For satisfactory transmission performance, particularly on connections between the public network and an OPS termination, it is recommended that facilities conform to the following:

- Total 1 kHz loss from the local serving CO to the OPS terminal should not exceed 7.0 dB. Of that total, the loss in the facility between the PBX and the terminal should not exceed 4.5 dB (see Figure 14).

  The following requirements are based on historic inserted connection loss (ICL) objectives:

- PBX–CO trunk: 5 dB with gain; 0–4.0 dB without gain

- OPS line: 4.0 dB with gain; 0–4.5 dB without gain

  In recent times economic and technological considerations have led to modifications of these historic objectives. However, the loss provisions in the PBX for OPS are constrained by regulatory requirements as well as industry standards; thus, they are not designed to compensate for modified ICL designs in the connecting facilities.

- The attenuation distortion (frequency response) of the OPS facility should be within ±3.0 dB over the frequency range from 300 to 3000 Hz. It is desirable that this bandwidth extend from 200 to 3200 Hz.

- The terminating impedance of the facility at the OPS port should approximate that of 600 ohm cable.

If the OPS line facility loss is greater than 4.5 dB but does not exceed 15 dB, line treatment using a switched-gain voice frequency repeater (VFR) will extend the voice range.

The overall range achievable on an OPS line facility is limited by the signaling range (2300 ohm loop including telephone set resistance). Signaling range is unaffected by gain treatment; thus, gain treatment can be used to extend the voice range to the limit of the signaling range. For example, on 26 AWG wire, the signaling range of 2300 ohms corresponds to an untreated metallic loop loss of 15 dB. Gain treatment (such as a VFR) with 10.5 dB of gain would maintain the OPS service loss objective of 4.5 dB while extending the voice range to the full limit of the signaling range:

	15.0 dB	(loss corresponding to the maximum signaling range)
–	4.5 dB	(OPS service loss objective)
=	10.5 dB	(required gain treatment)

The use of dial long line units to extend the signaling range of OPS analog line cards beyond 15 dB is not recommended.

Termination transmission characteristics

The loss plan for OPS connections is designed so that a connection with an OPS termination will provide satisfactory end-to-end listener volume when the OPS termination is a standard telephone set. The listener volume at the distant end depends on the OPS termination transmit loudness characteristics, and the volume at the OPS termination end depends on the OPS termination receive loudness characteristics. With standard telephone sets, these characteristics are such that satisfactory—if not optimum—performance is achievable within the above noted objectives for connecting facilities.

A feature of many (though not all) standard telephone sets is that the loudness increases with decreased current. Thus, as the line (Meridian 1 to OPS termination) facility gets longer and lossier, the increased loudness of the set somewhat compensates for the higher loss, assuming direct current feed from the PBX with constant voltage at the feeding bridge. However, this compensation is not available when the following occurs:

- the termination is a non-compensating telephone set

- the OPS port is served by a line card using a constant-current feeding bridge

- the OPS termination is to telephone sets behind a local switch providing local current feed, such as a key telephone system

OPS line terminations with loudness characteristics designed for other applications may also impact transmission performance. For example, wireless portables loudness characteristics are selected for connections to switching systems for wireless communication systems; if deployed in an OPS arrangement without due consideration for these characteristics, the result could be a significant deviation from optimum loudness performance.

NT5D11 Line-side T1 Interface Card

Content list

The following are the topics in this section:

Reference list

The following reference is found in this section:

- *System Installation Procedures* (553-3001-210)

Introduction

The NT5D11 Line-side T1 Interface Card is an intelligent peripheral equipment (IPE) line card that can be installed in either the NT8D37 IPE module (up to eight cards).

The line-side T1 card interfaces one T1 line, carrying 24 channels, to the Meridian 1 switch. This card occupies two card slots in the IPE shelf, utilizing 16 channels on slot 1 and 8 channels on slot 2. The line-side T1 card emulates an analog line card to the Meridian 1 system software; therefore, each channel is independently configurable by software control in the Analog (500/2500) Telephone Administration program (LD10). The line-side T1 card also comes equipped with a Man-Machine Interface (MMI) maintenance program that provides diagnostic information regarding the status of the T1 link.

Physical description

The line-side T1 card mounts into any two consecutive IPE slots. The card consists of a motherboard and a daughterboard. The motherboard circuitry is contained on a standard 31.75 by 25.40 cm. (12.5 by 10.0 in.) printed circuit board. The daughterboard is contained on a 5.08 by 15.24 cm (2.0 by 6.0 in) printed circuit board and mounts to the motherboard on six standoffs.

Card connections

The line-side T1 card uses the NT8D81AA Tip and Ring cable to connect from the IPE backplane to the 25-pair amphenol connector on the IPE I/O input/output (I/O) panel. The I/O panel connector then connects directly to a T1 line, external alarm and an MMI terminal or modem using the NT5D13AA Line-side T1 I/O cable available from Nortel Networks.

Faceplate

The faceplate of the card is twice as wide as the other standard analog and digital line cards, thereby occupying two card slots. It comes equipped with four LED indicators. See Figure 15.

The LEDs give status indications on the operations as described in Table 13.

Table 13
Line-side T1 card LED operation

LED	OPERATION
STATUS	Line card
RED ALARM	T1 near end
YELLOW ALARM	T1 far end
MAINT	Maintenance

The **STATUS** LED indicates that the line-side T1 card has successfully passed its self test, and therefore is functional. When the card is installed, this LED remains lit for two to five seconds as the self-test runs. If the self-test completes successfully, the LED flashes three times and remains lit until the card is configured and enabled in software, when the LED goes out. If the LED does not act as described or operates in any other manner (such as continually flashing or remaining weakly lit), the card should be replaced.

Figure 15
Line-side T1 card—faceplate

Card lock latch

LTI

Card status LED

S

This symbol indicates
that field-selectable
switch settings are
located on this card

Warning LEDs

YEL ALM
RED ALM
MAINT

NT5D11
Rlse 0x

Card lock latch

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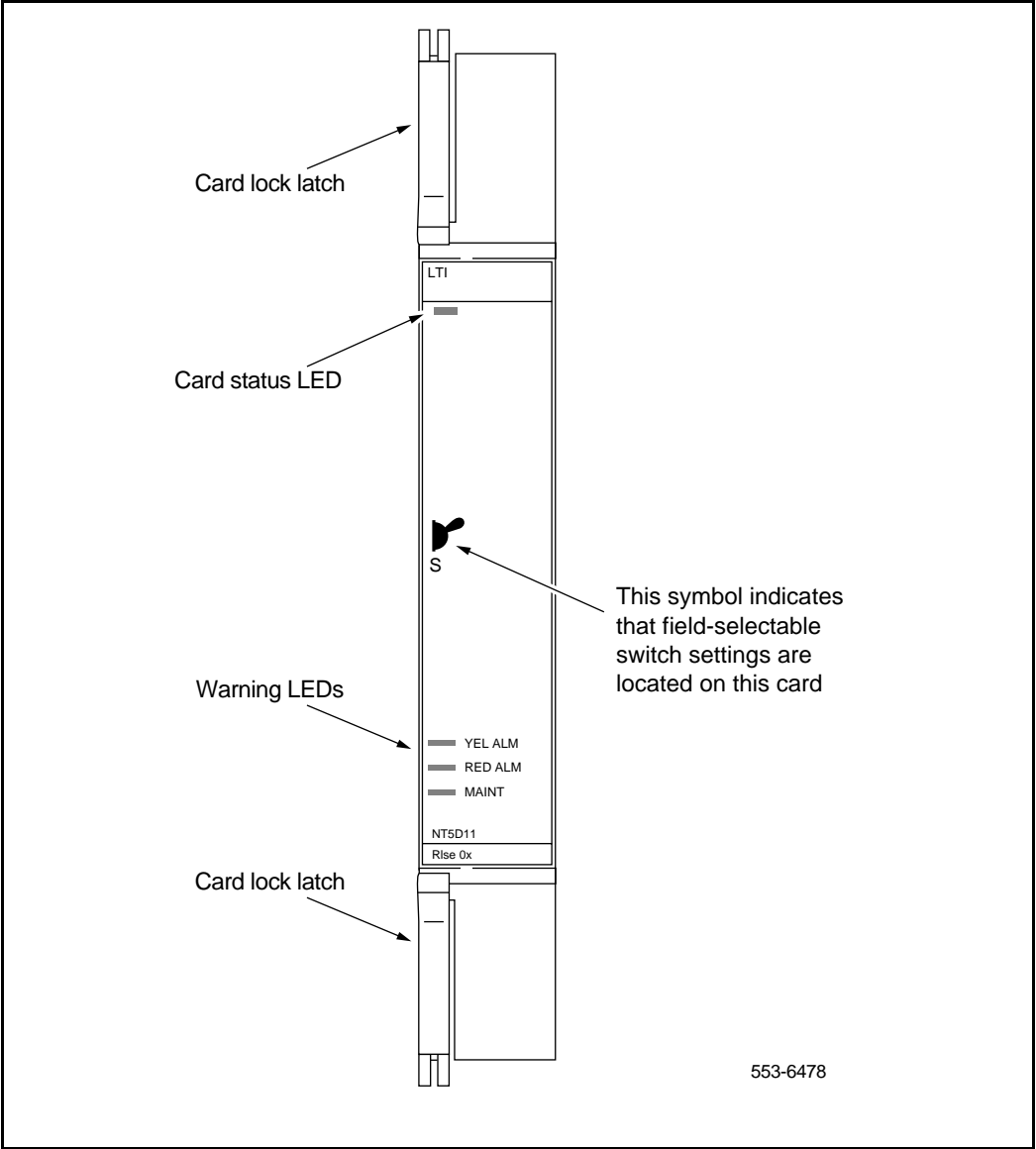
Note: Note: The STATUS LED indicates the enabled/disabled status of both card slots of the line-side T1 card simultaneously. To properly enable the card, both the motherboard and the daughterboard slots must be enabled. The STATUS LED will turn out as soon as either one of the line-side T1 card slots have been enabled. No LED operation will be observed when the second card slot is enabled. To properly disable the card, both card slots must be disabled. The LED will not turn on until both card slots have been disabled.

The **RED ALARM** LED indicates that the line-side T1 card has detected an alarm condition from the T1 link. Alarm conditions include, but are not limited to, such conditions as not receiving a signal or the signal has exceeded bit error thresholds or frame slip thresholds. (See "Man-Machine T1 maintenance interface software" on page 102 for information on T1 link maintenance.)

If one of these alarm conditions is detected, this LED will light. Yellow alarm indication is sent to the far end as long as the near end remains in a red alarm condition. Depending on how the Man-Machine Interface (MMI) is configured, this LED will remain lit until the following actions occur:

- If the "Self-Clearing" function has been enabled in the MMI, the LED will clear the alarm when the alarm condition is no longer detected (this is the factory default condition).

- If the "Self-Clearing" function has *not* been enabled or it has been subsequently disabled in the MMI, the LED will stay lit until the command "Clear Alarm" has been typed in the MMI, even though the carrier automatically returned to service when the alarm condition was no longer detected.

The **YELLOW ALARM** LED indicates that the line-side T1 card has detected a yellow alarm signal from the terminal equipment side of the T1 link. (See the "Man-Machine T1 maintenance interface software" on page 102 for information on T1 link maintenance.) If the terminal equipment detects a red alarm condition (including, but not limited to, such conditions as not receiving a signal or the signal has exceeded bit error thresholds or frame slip thresholds), it may send a yellow alarm signal to the line-side T1 card, depending on whether or not your terminal equipment supports this feature. If a yellow alarm signal is detected, this LED will light.

The **MAINT** LED indicates whether the line-side T1 card is fully operational because of certain maintenance commands being issued through the MMI. (See "Man-Machine T1 maintenance interface software" on page 102 for information on T1 link maintenance.) If the card detects that tests are being run or that alarms have been disabled through the MMI, this LED will light and will remain lit until these conditions are no longer detected, at which time it will turn off.

Functional description

Figure 16 shows a block diagram of the major functions contained on the line-side T1 card. Each of these functions is described on the following pages.

Figure 16
Line-side T1 card—block diagram
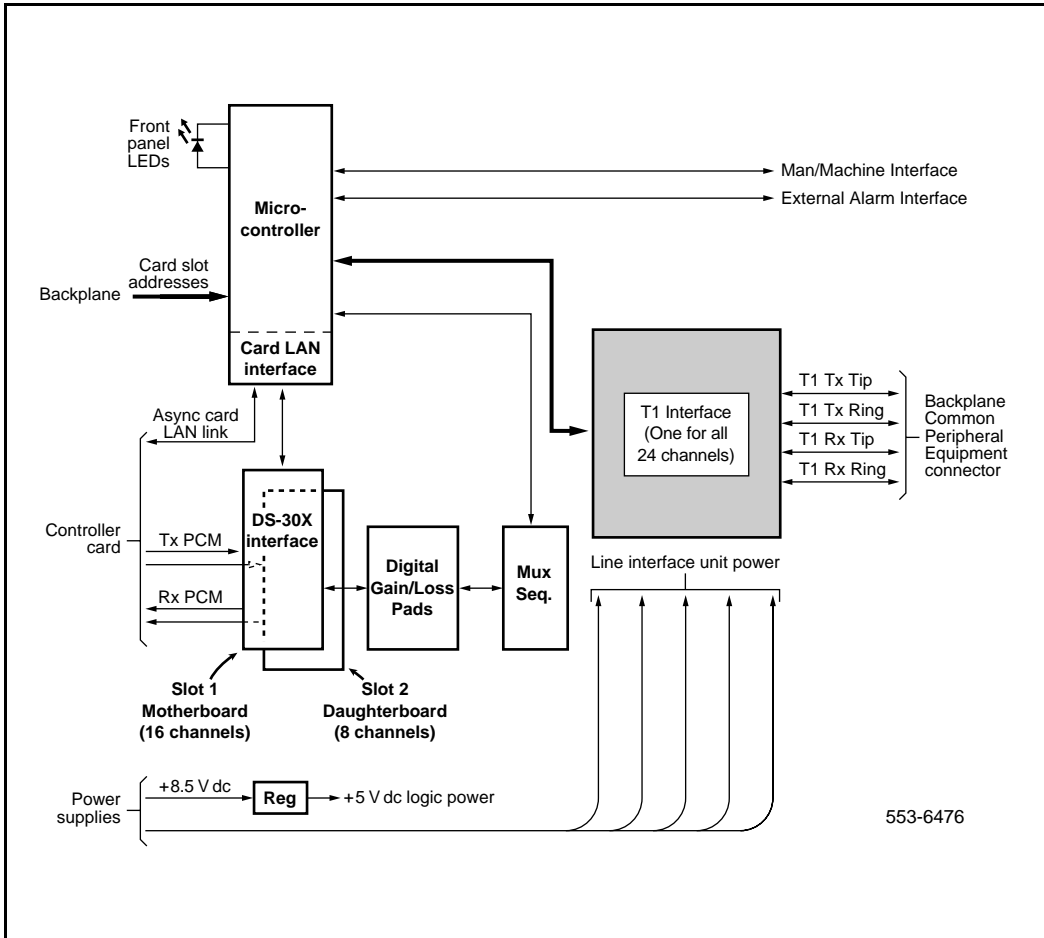
Overview

The line-side T1 card is an intelligent peripheral equipment (IPE) line card that provides a cost-effective all-digital connection between T1 compatible terminal equipment (such as voice mail systems, voice response units, trading turrets, etc.) and a Meridian 1 system. In this application the terminal equipment can be assured access to analog (500/2500) telephone type line functionality such as hook flash, spre codes and ringback tones generated from the Meridian 1. In most cases, the line-side T1 card will eliminate the need for channel bank type equipment normally placed between the Meridian 1 and the terminal equipment, providing a more robust and reliable end-to-end connection. The line-side T1 card supports line supervision features such as loop and ground start protocols. It may also be used in an off-premise arrangement whereby analog (500/2500) telephone type sets are extended over T1 with the use of channel bank equipment.

The line-side T1 interface offers significant improvement over the previous alternatives. For example, if a digital trunk connection were used, such as with the DTI/PRI interface card, line-side functionality would not be supported. Previously, the only way to achieve the line-side functionality was to use analog ports and channel bank equipment. With the line-side T1 interface, a direct connection is provided between the Meridian 1 and the peripheral equipment. No channel bank equipment is required, resulting in a more robust and reliable connection.

The line-side T1 interface offers a number of benefits when used to connect a Meridian 1 to third-party applications equipment. It is a more cost-effective alternative for connection because it eliminates the need for expensive channel bank equipment. In addition, the line-side T1 supports powerful T1 monitoring and diagnostic capability. Overall costs for customer applications may also be reduced because the T1-compatible peripheral equipment is often more attractively priced than the analog-port alternatives.

The line-side T1 card is compatible with all IPE based systems and standard public or private DSX-1 type carrier facilities. Using A/B robbed bit signaling, it supports D4 or ESF channel framing formats as well as AMI or B8ZS coding. Because it uses standard PCM in standard T1 timeslots, existing T1 test equipment remains compatible for diagnostic and fault isolation purposes.

Card interfaces

The line-side T1 card passes voice and signaling data over DS-30X loops through the DS-30X Interfaces circuits and maintenance data over the card LAN link. These interfaces are discussed in detail in "Intelligent peripheral equipment" on page 17.

T1 interface circuit

The line-side T1 card contains one T1 line interface circuit that provides 24 individually configurable voice interfaces to one T1 link in 24 different time slots. The circuit demultiplexes the 2.56 Mbps DS-30X Tx signaling bitstreams from the DS-30X network loop and converts it into 1.544 mHz T1 Tx signaling bitstreams onto the T1 link. It also does the opposite, receiving Rx signaling bitstreams from the T1 link and transmitting Rx signaling bitstreams onto the DS-30X network loop.

The line interface circuit performs the following:

- Provides an industry standard DSX-1 (0 to 655 feet) interface.

- Converts DS-30X signaling protocol into FXO A and B robbed bit signaling protocol.

- Provides switch-selectable transmission and reception of T1 signaling messages over a T1 link in either loop or ground start mode.

Signaling and control

The line-side T1 card also contains signaling and control circuits that establish, supervise, and take down call connections. These circuits work with the system controller to operate the T1 line interface circuit during calls. The circuits receive outgoing call signaling messages from the controller and return incoming call status information to the controller over the DS-30X network loop.

Card control functions

Control functions are provided by a microcontroller and a Card LAN link on the line-side T1 card. A sanity timer is provided to automatically reset the card if the microcontroller stops functioning for any reason.

Microcontrollers

The line-side T1 card contains two microcontrollers that control the internal operation of the card and the serial card LAN link to the controller card. The microcontrollers control the following:

- reporting to the CE CP via the card LAN link:

    — card identification (card type, vintage, serial number)

    — firmware version

    — self-test results

    — programmed unit parameter status

- receipt and implementation of card configuration:

    — control of the T1 line interfaces

    — enabling/disabling of individual units or entire card

    — programming of loop interface control circuits for administration of channel operation

    — maintenance diagnostics

- interface with the line card circuit:

    — converts on/off-hook, and ringer control messages from the DS-30X loop into A/B bit manipulations for each time slot in the T1 data stream, using robbed bit signaling.

- the front panel LED when the card is enabled or disabled by instructions from the NT8D01 controller card.

Card LAN interface

Maintenance data is exchanged with the Common Equipment CP over a dedicated asynchronous serial network called the Card LAN link. The Card LAN link is described in "Card LAN link" on page 20.

Sanity timer

The line-side T1 card also contains a sanity timer that resets the microcontroller in the event of a loss of program control. If the timer is not properly serviced by the microcontroller, it times out and causes the microcontroller to be hardware reset. If the microcontroller loses control and fails to service the sanity timer at least once per second, the sanity timer will automatically reset the microcontroller, restoring program control.

Man-Machine Interface (MMI)

The line-side T1 card provides an optional man-machine interface that is primarily used for T1 link performance monitoring and problem diagnosis. The MMI provides alarm notification, T1 link performance reporting and fault isolation testing. The interface is accessed through connections from the I/O panel to a terminal or modem. Multiple cards (up to 64) can be served through one MMI terminal or modem by cabling the cards together.

The MMI is an optional feature since all T1 configuration settings are performed through dip switch settings or preconfigured factory default settings. The man-machine interface is discussed fully in "Man-Machine T1 maintenance interface software" on page 102.

Electrical specifications

Table 14 provides a technical summary of the T1 line interfaces, and Table 15 lists the maximum power consumed by the card.

T1 channel specifications

Table 14 provides specifications for the 24 T1 channels. Each characteristic is set by dip switches. See "Installation and Configuration" on page 81 for the corresponding dip switch settings.

Table 14
Line-side T1 card—line interface unit electrical characteristics

Characteristics	Description
Framing	ESF or D4
Coding	AMI or B8ZS
Signaling	Loop or ground start A/B robbed-bit
Distance to Customer Premise Equipment (CPE) or Channel Service Unit	0-199.6 meters (0–655 feet)

Power requirements

The line-side T1 card requires +15 V, –15 V, and +5 V from the backplane. One NT8D06 Peripheral Equipment Power Supply AC or NT6D40 Peripheral Equipment Power Supply DC can supply power to a maximum of eight line-side T1 cards.

Table 15
Line-side T1 card—power required

Voltage	Current (max.)
+ 5.0 V dc	1.6 Amp
+15.0 V dc	150 mA.
−15.0 V dc	150 mA.

Foreign and surge voltage protections

In-circuit protection against power line crosses or lightning is not provided on the line-side T1 card. It does, however, have protection against accidental shorts to –52 V dc analog lines.

When the card is used to service off-premise terminal equipment through the public telephone network, install a Channel Service Unit (CSU) as part of your terminal equipment to provide external line protection.

Environmental specifications

Table 16 shows the environmental specifications of the line-side T1 card.

Table 16
Line-side T1 card—environmental specifications

Parameter	Specifications
Operating temperature-normal	15° to +30° C (+59° to 86°F), ambient
Operating temperature-short term	10° to +45° C (+50° to 113°F), ambient
Operating humidity-normal	20% to 55% RH (non-condensing)
Operating humidity-short term	20% to 80% RH (non-condensing)
Storage temperature	–50° to +70° C (–58° to 158°F), ambient
Storage humidity	5% to 95% RH (non-condensing)

Installation and Configuration

Installation and configuration of the line-side T1 card consists of six basic steps:

1 Configure the dip switches on the line-side T1 card for your environment.

2 Install the line-side T1 card into the selected card slots in the IPE shelf.

3 Cable from the I/O panel to the Customer Premise Equipment (CPE) or CSU, MMI terminal or modem (optional), external alarm (optional), and other line-side T1 cards for daisy chaining use of MMI terminal (optional).

4 Configure the MMI terminal.

5 Configure the line-side T1 card through the Meridian 1 software and verify self-test results.

6 Verify initial T1 operation and configure MMI (optional).

Steps 1-5 are explained in this section. Step 6 is covered in "Man-Machine T1 maintenance interface software" on page 102.

Dip switch settings

Begin your installation and configuration of the line-side T1 card by selecting the proper dip switch settings for your environment. The line-side T1 card contains two dip switches, each containing eight switch positions. They are located in the upper right corner of the motherboard circuit card as shown in Figure 17. The settings for these switches are shown in Tables 17 through 20.

When the line-side T1 card is oriented as shown in Figure 17, the dip switches are ON when they are up, and OFF when they are down. The dip switch settings configure your card for the following parameters:

MMI port speed selection

This dip switch setting selects the appropriate baud rate for the terminal or modem (if any) that is connected to your MMI.

Figure 17
Line-side T1 card—T1 protocol dip switch locations
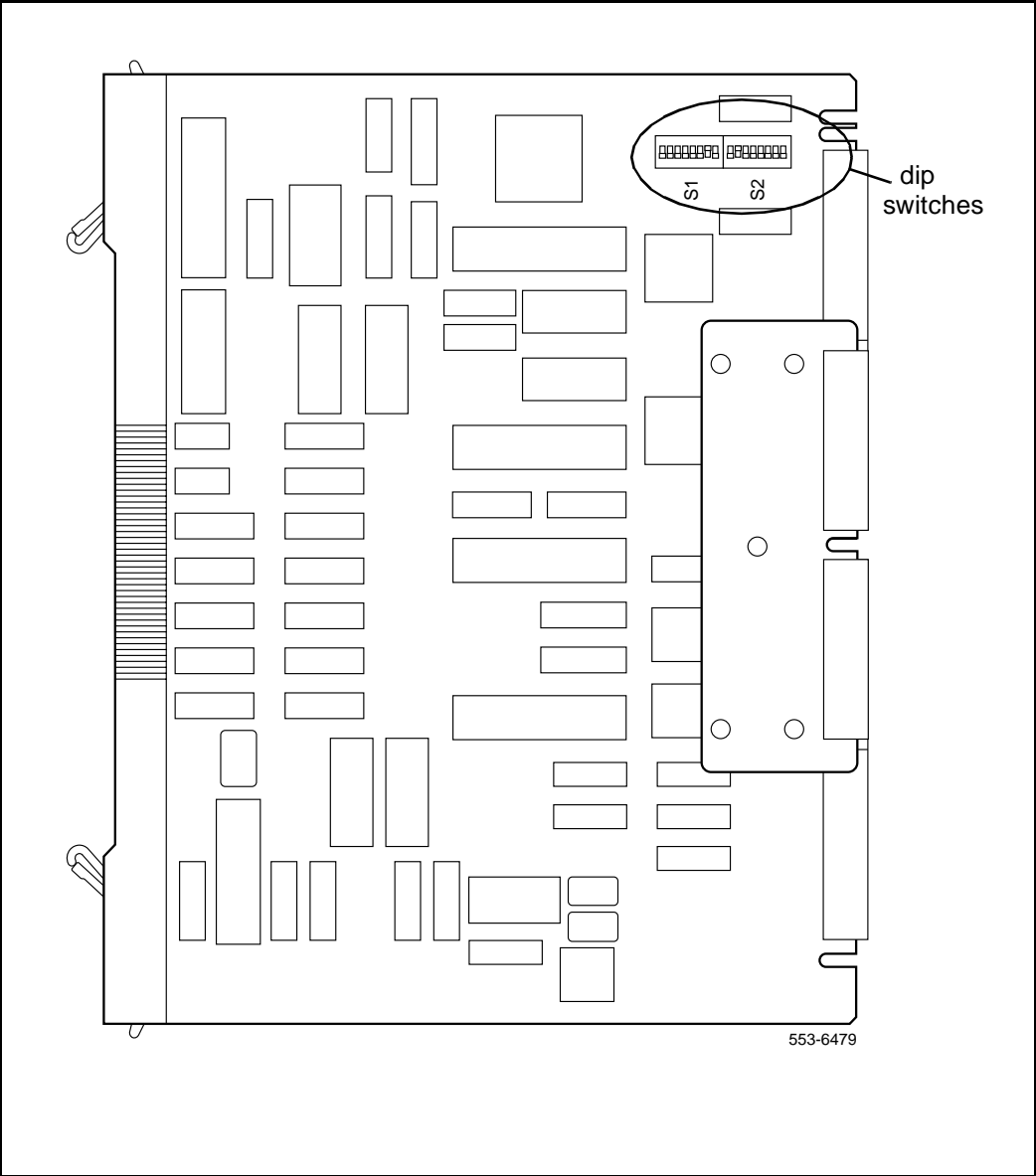
Line Supervisory Signaling protocol

As described in "Line-side T1 call operation" on page 33, the line-side T1 card is capable of supporting loop start or ground start call processing modes. Make your selection for this dip switch position based on what type of line signaling your CPE equipment supports.

Address of line-side T1 card to the MMI

The address of the line-side T1 card to the MMI is made up of two components:

- The address of the card within the shelf

- The address of the shelf in which the card resides

These two addresses are combined create a unique address for the card. The MMI reads the address of the card within the shelf from the card firmware; however the address of the shelf must be set by this dip switch.

The shelf address dip switch can be from 0-15, 16 being the maximum number of line-side T1 IPE shelves (a maximum of 64 line-side T1 cards) capable of daisy chaining to a single MMI terminal. For clarity and ease, it is recommended that this address be set the same as the address of the peripheral controller identifier in overlay 97 for type: XPE. However, this is not mandatory, and, since the dip switch is limited to 16, this will not always be possible.

T1 framing

The line-side T1 card is capable of interfacing with CPE or CSU equipment either in D4 or ESF framing mode. Make your selection for this dip switch position based on what type of framing your CPE or CSU equipment supports.

T1 Coding

The line-side T1 card is capable of interfacing with CPE or CSU equipment using either AMI or B8ZS coding. Make your selection for this dip switch position based on what type of coding your CPE or CSU equipment supports.

DSX-1 length

Estimate the distance between the line-side T1 card and the hardwired local CPE or the Telco demarc RJ48 for the carrier facility connecting the line-side T1 and the remote CPE. Make your selection for this dip switch position based on this distance.

Line supervision on T1 failure

This setting determines in what state all 24 ports of the line-side T1 card will appear to the Meridian 1 in case of T1 failure. Ports can appear to the Meridian 1 as either in the on-hook or off-hook states on T1 failure.

> *Note:* All idle line-side T1 lines will go off-hook and seize a Digitone Receiver when the off-hook line processing is invoked on T1 failure. This may prevent DID trunks from receiving incoming calls until the line-side T1 lines time-out and release the DTRs.

Daisy-Chaining to MMI

If you plan to install two or more line-side T1 cards and you plan to use the MMI, you will want to daisy-chain your cards together to use one MMI terminal or modem (see Figure 19 on page 98). Make your selection for this dip switch position based on how many line-side T1 cards you are installing.

MMI Master or Slave

This setting is used only if you are daisy-chaining your cards to the MMI terminal or modem. It determines whether this card is a master or a slave in your MMI daisy-chain. Select the master setting if this card is the card that is cabled directly into the MMI terminal or modem; select the slave setting if this card is cabled to another line-side T1 card in a daisy chain.

Tables 17 through 20 describe the proper dip switch settings for each type of T1 link. After the card has been installed, the MMI will display the DIP switch settings by using the command **Display Configuration**. See "Man-Machine T1 maintenance interface software" on page 102 for details on how to invoke this command.

Table 17
Line-side T1 card—T1 Switch 1 (S1) dip switch settings

Dip Switch Number	Characteristic	Selection
1	MMI port speed selection	On = 1200 baud Off = 2400 baud
2	T1 signaling	On = Ground start Off = Loop start
3–6	XPEC Address for the line-side T1 card	See Table 18
7	Not Used	Leave Off
8	Reserved for SL-100 use	Leave Off

Table 18
Line-side T1 card—XPEC address dip switch settings (Switch S1, positions 3–6)

XPEC Address	S1 Switch Position 3	S1 Switch Position 4	S1 Switch Position 5	S1 Switch Position 6
00	Off	Off	Off	Off
01	Off	Off	Off	On
02	Off	Off	On	Off
03	Off	Off	On	On
04	Off	On	Off	Off
05	Off	On	Off	On
06	Off	On	On	Off
07	Off	On	On	On
08	On	Off	Off	Off
09	On	Off	Off	On
10	On	Off	On	Off
11	On	Off	On	On
12	On	On	Off	Off
13	On	On	Off	On
14	On	On	On	Off
15	On	On	On	On

Table 19
Line-side T1 card—T1 Switch 2 (S2) dip switch settings

Dip Switch Number	Characteristic	Selection
1	T1 framing	On = D4 Off = ESF
2	T1 Coding	On = AMI Off = B8ZS
3–5	CPE or CSU distance	See Table 20
6	Line processing on T1 link failure	On = On-hook Off = Off-hook
7	Daisy-chaining to MMI	On = Yes Off = No
8	MMI Master or Slave	On = Master Off = Slave

Table 20
Line-side T1 card—CPE or CSU distance dip switch settings (Switch S2, positions 3–5)

Distance	S2 Switch Position 3	S2 Switch Position 4	S2 Switch Position 5
0–133	On	Off	Off
134–266	Off	On	On
267–399	Off	On	Off
400–533	Off	Off	On
534–655	Off	Off	Off

Installation

This section describes how to install and test the line-side T1 card. For more specific installation instructions for circuit cards in general, see *Circuit card installation and testing* (553-3001-211).

When installed, the line-side T1 card occupies two card slots. It can be installed into an NT8D37 Intelligent Peripheral Equipment (IPE) Module.

When you are installing the line-side T1 card into NT8D37 IPE module, you must determine which vintage level module you have. If the 25-pair I/O connectors are partially split between adjacent IPE card slots, the line-side T1 card works only in card slots where Unit 0 of the motherboard card slot appears on the first pair of the 25-pair I/O connector.

Certain vintage levels have dedicated 25-pair I/O connectors only for card slots 0, 4, 8, and 12. These vintage levels are cabled with only 16 pairs of wires from each card slot to the I/O panel. Some of the 25-pair I/O connectors are split between adjacent card slots. Other vintage levels cable each card slot to the I/O panel using a unique, 24-pair connector on the I/O panel. In these vintage levels, the line-side T1 card can be installed in any available pair of card slots. However, because of the lower number of wire pairs cabled to the I/O panel in the lower vintage level, only certain card slots are available to the line-side T1 card.

See Table 21 for the vintage level information for the NT8D37 IPE modules.

Table 21
Line-side T1 card—NT8D37 IPE Module vintage level port cabling

Vintage Level	Number of ports cabled to I/O panel
NT8D37AA	16 ports
NT8D37BA	24 ports
NT8D37DC	16 ports
NT8D37DE	16 ports
NT8D37EC	24 ports

Available and restricted card slots in the NT8D37 IPE Module

If you are installing the line-side T1 card into an NT8D37 IPE Module, the card slots available depend on what vintage level module you have.

Vintage levels cabling 24 ports

For modules with vintage levels that cabled 24 ports to the I/O panel, the line-side T1 card can be installed in any pair of card slots 015.

Vintage levels cabling 16 ports

For modules with vintage levels that cabled 16 ports to the I/O panel, you can install the line-side T1 card into the following card slot pairs:

Available: Motherboard/Daughterboard

0 and 1

1 and 2

4 and 5

7 and 8

8 and 9

9 and 10

12 and 13

13 and 14

You cannot install the line-side T1 card into the following card slot pairs:

Restricted: Motherboard/Daughterboard

2 and 3

3 and 4

6 and 7

10 and 11

11 and 12

14 and 15

If you must install the line-side T1 card into one of the restricted card slot pairs, you can rewire your IPE module card slot to the I/O panel by installing an additional NT8D81 cable from the line-side T1 card motherboard slot to the I/O panel, and re-arranging the three backplane connectors for the affected card slots. This will permit the connection of the NT5D13AA Line-side T1 card carrier and maintenance external I/O cable at the IPE module I/O panel connector for card slots that are otherwise restricted.

Alternatively, all line-side T1 card connections can be made at the main distribution frame instead of connecting the NT5D13 Line-side T1 card external I/O cable at the I/O panel. This eliminates these card slots restrictions.

Cabling the line-side T1 card

After you have set the dip switches and installed the line-side T1 card into the selected card slots, you are ready to cable the line-side T1 card to the CPE or CSU equipment. You can also make connections to the MMI terminal or modem (optional), an external alarm (optional), and other line-side T1 cards for daisy-chain use of the MMI terminal (optional).

The line-side T1 card is cabled from its backplane connector through connections from the motherboard circuit card only (no cable connections are made from the daughterboard circuit card) to the input/output (I/O) panel on the rear of the IPE module. The connections from the line-side T1 card to the I/O panel are made with the NT8D81AA Tip and Ring cables provided with the IPE module.

Cabling from the I/O panel with the NT5D13AA Line-side T1 I/O cable

Normally you will make the connection from the I/O panel to the T1 link and other external devices through the NT5D13AA Line-side T1 I/O cable (see Figure 18). This cable consists of a 25-pair amphenol connector (P1) on one end which plugs into the I/O panel. The other end has 4 connectors: a DB15 male connector (P2) which plugs into the T1 line, a DB9 male connector (P3) which plugs into an external alarm system, a second DB9 male connector (P5) which connects to an MMI terminal or modem, and a DB9 female connector (P4) that connects to the next line-side T1 card's P4 connector for MMI daisy chaining.

Figure 18
Line-side T1 card—connection using the NT5D13AA Line-side T1 Cable
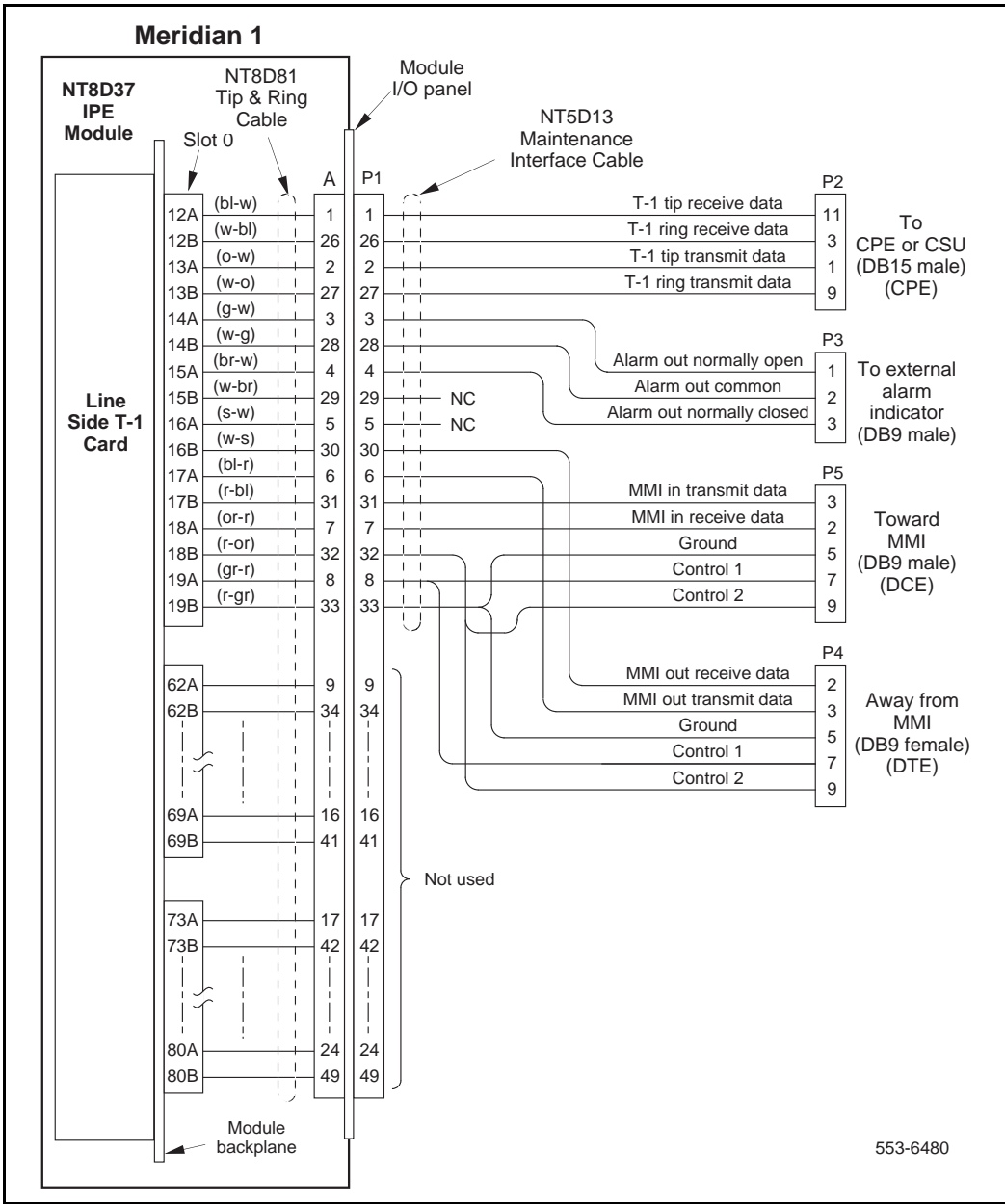
Cabling from the I/O panel at the Main Distribution Frame

You may also choose to make all line-side T1 connections at the main distribution frame (MDF) if you prefer not to use the NT5D13AA Line-side T1 I/O cable at the I/O panel. To make the connections at the MDF, follow this procedure:

1   Punch down the first eight pairs of a standard telco 25-pair female-connectorized cross-connect tail starting with the first tip and ring pair of the line-side T1 motherboard card slot on the cross-connect side of the MDF terminals.

2   Plug the NT5D13AA Line-side T1 I/O cable into this 25-pair cross-connect tail at the MDF, regardless of the card slot restrictions that exist from the vintage level of IPE or CE/PE module you have. You can also make this connection at the MDF without using the NT5D13 Line-side T1 I/O cable, by cross-connecting according to the pinouts in Table 22.

3   Turn over the T1 transmit and receive pairs, where required for hardwiring the line-side T1 card to local CPE T1 terminal equipment.

The backplane connector is arranged as an 80-row by 2-column array of pins. Table 22 shows the I/O pin designations for the backplane connector and the 25-pair Amphenol connector from the I/O panel. Although the connections from the I/O panel only use 14 of the available 50 pins, the remaining pins are reserved and cannot be used for other signaling transmissions.

The information in Table 22 is provided as a reference and diagnostic aid at the backplane, since the cabling arrangement may vary at the I/O panel. See *System Installation Procedures* (553-3001-210) for cable pinout information for the I/O panel.

Table 23 shows the pin assignments when using the NT5D13AA Line-side T1 I/O cable.

Table 22
Line-side T1 card—backplane pinouts

Backplane Connector Pin	I/O Panel Connector Pin	Signal
12A	1	T1 Tip, Receive Data
12B	26	T1 Ring, Receive Data
13A	2	T1 Tip, Transmit Data
13B	27	T1 Ring, Transmit Data
14A	3	Alarm out, Normally open
14B	28	Alarm out, Common
15A	4	Alarm out, Normally closed
15B	29	No Connection
16A	5	No Connection
16B	30	Away from MMI terminal, Receive Data
17A	6	Away from MMI terminal, Transmit Data
17B	31	Towards MMI terminal, Transmit Data
18A	7	Towards MMI terminal, Receive Data
18B	32	Daisy-chain Control 2
19A	8	Daisy-chain Control 1
19B	33	Ground

Table 23
Line-side T1 card—NT5D13AA Connector pinouts

I/O Panel Connector Pin	Lead Designations	NT5D13AA Line-side T1 I/O Connector Pin	Line-side T1 cable connector to external equipment
1	T1 Tip Receive Data	11	DB15 male to T1 (P2) Line-side T1 card is CPE transmit to network and receive from network
26	T1 Ring Receive Data	3	
2	T1 Tip Transmit Data	1	
27	T1 Ring Transmit Data	9	
3	Alarm out common	1	DB9 male to external alarm (P3)
28	Alarm out (normally open)	2	
4	Alarm out (normally closed)	3	
7	Towards MMI terminal Receive Data	2	DB9 male towards MMI (P5) Wired as DCE Data is transmitted on pin 2 (RXD) and received on pin 3 (TXD)
31	Towards MMI terminal Transmit Data	3	
33	Ground	5	
8	Control 1	7	
32	Control 2	9	
33	Ground	5	DB9 female away from MMI (P4) Wired as DTE Data is transmitted on pin 2 (TXD) and received on pin 3 (RXD)
8	Control 1	7	
32	Control 2	9	
30	Away from MMI terminal Transmit Data	3	
6	Away from MMI terminal Receive Data	2	

T1 connections

T1 signaling for all 24 channels is transmitted over P2 connector pins 1, 3, 9, and 11 as shown in Table 23.   Plug the DB15 male connector labeled "P2" into the T1 link. T1 transmit and receive pairs must be turned over between the line-side T1 card and CPE equipment that is hardwired without carrier facilities. If the line-side T1 card is connected via T1 carrier facilities, the transmit and receive pairs must be wired straight through to the RJ48 at the Telco demarc, the CSU, or other T1 carrier equipment. The T1 CPE equipment at the far end will likewise have transmit and receive wired straight from the RJ48 demarc at the far end of the carrier facility.

External alarm connections

P3 connector pins 3, 4, and 28 can be plugged into any external alarm hardware. Plug the male DB9 connector labeled "P3" into the external alarm. These connections are optional, and the functionality of the line-side T1 card is not affected if they are not made.

The MMI (described in detail in "Man-Machine T1 maintenance interface software" on page 102) monitors the T1 link for specified performance criteria and reports on problems detected. One of the ways it can report information is through this external alarm connection. If connected, the line-side T1 card's microprocessor activates the external alarm hardware if it detects certain T1 link problems that it has classified as alarm levels 1 or 2. (See "Man-Machine T1 maintenance interface software" on page 102 for a detailed description of alarm levels and configuration.) If an alarm level 1 or 2 is detected by MMI, the line-side T1 card will close the contact that is normally open, and will open the contact that is normally closed. The MMI command **Clear Alarm** will return the alarm contacts to their normal state.

MMI connections

P5 connector pins 2, 3, 5, 7 and 9 are used to connect the line-side T1 card to the MMI terminal and daisy chain line-side T1 cards together for access to a shared MMI terminal. When you log into a line-side T1 card, "control 2" is asserted by that card, which informs all of the other cards not to talk on the bus, but rather to pass the data straight through. The pins labeled "control 1" are reserved for future use. As with the external alarm connections, MMI connections are optional. You can link up to 128 line-side T1 cards, located in up to 16 separate IPE shelves, to one MMI terminal using the daisy chaining approach.

If you are installing only *one* line-side T1 card, cable from the DB9 female connector labeled "P5" (towards MMI terminal) to one of the COM ports on the back of any TTY, a PC running a terminal emulation program, or a modem. For installations of only one card, no connection is made to the DB9 male connector labeled "P4" (away from MMI terminal).

If you are installing *two or more* line-side T1 cards into your Meridian 1 system, you can daisy-chain the MMI port connections together so that only one MMI terminal is required for up to 128 line-side T1 cards (as shown in Figure 19). Cards can be located in up to 16 separate IPE shelves. You can start with any card slot in your IPE shelf and connect to any other card slot; the card slots connected together do not need to be consecutive. Follow this procedure for connecting two or more line-side T1 cards to the MMI terminal:

1   Cable the DB9 male connector labeled "P5" (towards MMI terminal) to one of the COM ports on the back of any TTY, a PC running a terminal emulation program, or a modem.

2   Make the connection from the first card to the second card by plugging the DB9 female connector labeled "P4" (away from MMI terminal) from the *first* card into the DB9 male connector of the second card labeled "P5" (towards MMI terminal).

3   Repeat Step 2 for the remaining cards.

4   When you get to the last card in your daisy chain, make no connection to the DB9 male connector labeled "P4" (away from MMI terminal).

5   If two line-side T1 cards are located too far apart to connect the "P4" and "P5" connectors together, connect them together with an off-the-shelf DB-9 female to DB-9 male straight through extension cable, available at any PC supply store.

Figure 19
Line-side T1 card—connecting two or more cards to the MMI
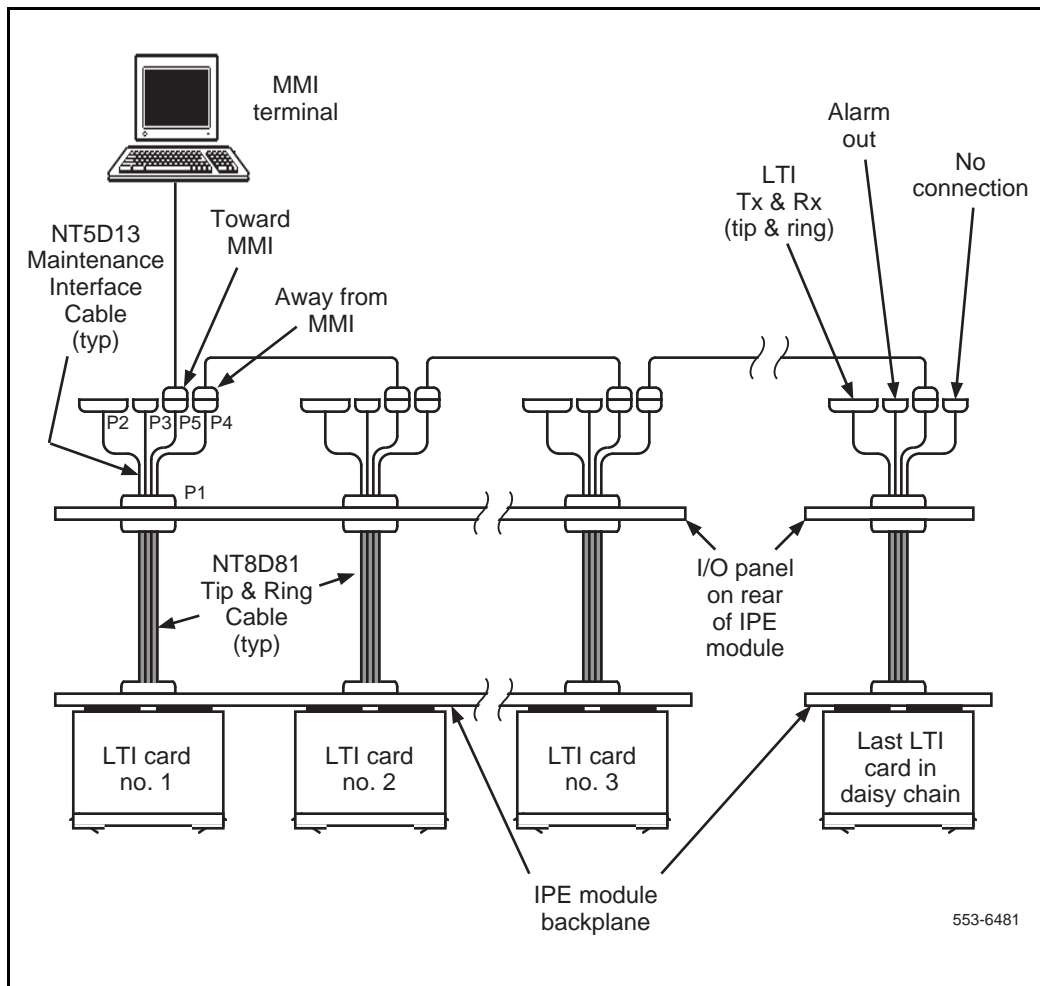
Terminal configuration

For the MMI terminal to be able to communicate to the line-side T1 card, the interface characteristics must be set to:

- Speed - 1200 or 2400 bps, depending on the setting of switch position 1 of Switch 1

- Character width - 8 bits

- Parity bit - none

- Stop bits - one

- Software handshake (XON/XOFF) - off

Software configuration

Although much of the architecture and many of the features of the line-side T1 card are different from the analog line card, the line-side T1 card has been designed to emulate an analog line card to the Meridian 1 software. Because of this, the line-side T1 card software configuration is performed the same as an two adjacent analog line cards.

All 24 T1 channels carried by the line-side T1 card are individually configured using the Analog (500/2500) Telephone Administration program (LD 10). Use Table 24 to determine the correct unit number and the *X11 input/output guide* (553-3001-400) for LD 10 service change instructions.

The line-side T1 card circuitry routes 16 units (0-15) on the motherboard and eight (0-7) units on the daughterboard to 24 T1 channels. The motherboard circuit card is located in the left card slot, and the daughterboard circuit card is located in right card slot. For example, if you were to install the line-side T1 card into card slots 0 and 1, the motherboard would reside in card slot 0 and the daughterboard would reside in card slot 1. In order to configure the terminal equipment through the switch software, you will need to be able to cross-reference the T1 channel number to the corresponding card unit number. This mapping is shown in Table 24.

Table 24
DX-30 to T1 time slot mapping

TN		T1 Channel Number
Motherboard	0	1
Motherboard	1	2
Motherboard	2	3
Motherboard	3	4
Motherboard	4	5
Motherboard	5	6
Motherboard	6	7
Motherboard	7	8
Motherboard	8	9
Motherboard	9	10
Motherboard	10	11
Motherboard	11	12
Motherboard	12	13
Motherboard	13	14
Motherboard	14	15
Motherboard	15	16
Daughterboard	0	17
Daughterboard	1	18
Daughterboard	2	19
Daughterboard	3	20
Daughterboard	4	21
Daughterboard	5	22
Daughterboard	6	23
Daughterboard	7	24

Disconnect supervision

The line-side T1 card supports far end disconnect supervision by opening the tip side toward the terminal equipment upon the Meridian 1 system's detecting a disconnect signal from the far end on an established call. The Supervised Analog Line Feature (SAL) must be configured in overlay 10 for each line-side T1 port. At the prompt FTR respond **OSP <CR>**, and against FTR respond **ISP <CR>**. The line-side T1 card treats OSP and ISP for both originating and terminating calls as hook flash disconnect supervision, also known as cut-off disconnect. Originating calls are outgoing from the terminal equipment. Terminating calls are incoming to the terminal equipment. The line-side T1 card does not support battery reversal answer and disconnect supervision on originating calls.

After you have configured the software, you are ready to power up the card and verify the self test results. The **STATUS** LED on the faceplate indicates whether or not the line-side T1 card has successfully passed its self test, and therefore is functional. When the card is installed, this LED remains lit for two to five seconds as the self-test runs. If the self-test completes successfully, the LED flashes three times and remains lit until the card is configured and enabled in software, when the LED goes out. The LED will go out if either the motherboard or daughterboard is enabled by the software. If the LED does not follow the pattern described or operates in any other manner (such as continually flashing or remaining weakly lit), the card should be replaced.

Man-Machine T1 maintenance interface software

Description

The Man-Machine Interface (MMI) supplies a maintenance interface to a terminal providing T1 link diagnostics and historical information. See the "Installation and Configuration" on page 81 for instructions on how to install the cabling and configure the terminal for the MMI. This section describes the features of MMI and explains how to set-up, configure and use the MMI firmware.

The MMI provides the following maintenance features:

- Comes equipped with default and reconfigurable alarm parameters

- Notification of T1 link problems by activating alarms

- Reports on current and historical T1 link performance

- T1 tests for T1 verification and fault isolation to line-side T1 card, T1 link, or CPE equipment

Alarms

MMI activates alarms for the following T1 link conditions: excessive bit error rate, frame slip errors, out of frame condition, loss of signal condition, and blue alarm condition. The alarms are activated in response to pre-set thresholds and error durations. Descriptions of each of these T1 link alarm conditions, instructions on how to set alarm parameters and access alarm reporting can be found in "Alarm operation and reporting" on page 112.

Two levels of alarm severity exist for bit errors and frame slip errors. For these conditions, two different threshold and duration settings are established. When the first level of severity is reached (alarm level 1), the MMI will cause the external alarm hardware to activate, light the appropriate LED on the faceplate (either RED ALARM or YELLOW ALARM), display an alarm message on the MMI terminal and an create entry in the alarm log. When the second level of severity is reached (alarm level 2), the MMI will perform all of the same functions as alarm level 1 performed, and in addition, force the line-side T1 card to enter trunk processing mode. In this mode, the terminal equipment will be sent either "on-hook" or "off-hook" signals for all 24 ports to the Meridian 1, depending on how the dip switch for trunk processing was set (dip switch #2, position #6).

If the MMI detects T1 link failures for any of the remainder of the conditions monitored (out of frame condition, loss of signal condition, and blue alarm condition), the line-side T1 card automatically performs all alarm level 2 functions. The MMI also sends a yellow alarm to the distant end CPE or CSU.

Alarms can be set up to either self-clear or not self-clear when the alarm condition is no longer detected. All alarms activated produce a record in an alarm log. The alarm log maintains records for the most recent 100 alarms and can be displayed, printed and cleared. The alarm log displays or prints the alarms listing the most recent first in descending chronological order. The alarms are stamped with the date and time they occurred.

T1 Performance Counters and Reports

The MMI maintains performance error counters for the following T1 conditions: errored seconds, bursty seconds, unavailable seconds, framer slip seconds, and loss of frame seconds. It retains the T1 performance statistics for the current hour, and for each hour for the previous 24 hours. Descriptions of each of these performance error counters, and instructions on how to report on them and clear them can be found in "Performance counters and reporting" on page 115.

T1 Verification and Fault Isolation Testing

The MMI allows you to perform various tests to verify that the T1 is working adequately, or will help you to isolate a problem to either the line-side T1 card, the T1 link, or the CPE equipment. Descriptions of all of these tests and instructions on how to run them can be found in "Testing" on page 117.

Login and Password

The MMI can be accessed through any TTY, a PC running a terminal emulation program, or a modem. After installing the MMI terminal and card cables, you are ready to access the MMI firmware. For single card installations, it is accessed by entering **L<CR>** to login. For multiple card installations connected in a daisy-chain, it is accessed by entering **L <address>,** where the four-digit address is the two-digit address of the IPE shelf as set by dip switch positions (dip switch #1, positions 3-6) on the card (as opposed to the address set in the Meridian 1 software), plus the two-digit address of the card slot that the motherboard occupies. For example, to login to a card located in shelf 13, card slot 4, you would type **L 13 4 <CR>**. A space is inserted between the login command (L), the shelf address, and the card slot address

The MMI will now prompt you for a password. The password is "**LTILINK**", and it must be typed in all capital letters.

After you have logged in, the prompt will then look like this:

- **LTI:::>** for single-card installations

- **LTI:ss cc>** for multi-card installations, where ss represents the two-digit address, and cc represents the two-digit card slot address

Basic commands

You can now execute MMI commands. There are seven basic commands that can be combined together to form a total of 19 command sets. The seven basic commands are:

- Alarm

- Clear

- Display

- Set

- Test

- Help

- Quit

If you type **?<CR>**, the MMI will list these commands along with an explanation of their usage A screen similar to the following will appear (the help screen will also appear by typing **H<CR>**, or **HELP<CR>**):

ALARM   USAGE: Alarm [Enable | Disable]

CLEAR   USAGE: Clear [Alarm] | [Error counter] [Log]

DISPLAY   USAGE: Display [Alarm | Status | Perform | History] [Pause]

HELP   USAGE: Help | ?

SET   USAGE: Set [Time | Date | Alarm | Clearing | Name | Memory]

TEST   USAGE: Test [Carrier All]

QUIT   USAGE: Quit

Notation Used:

CAPS - Required Letters   [ ] - Optional | - Either/Or

Each of these commands can be executed by entering the first letter of the command or by entering the entire command. Command sets are entered by entering the first letter of the first command, a space, and the first letter of the second command or by entering the entire commands. Table 25 shows all the possible command sets, listed in alphabetical order. These commands are also described by subject later in this section.

Table 25
MMI commands and command sets

Command	Description
A D	**Alarm Disable.** Disables all alarms.
A E	**Alarm Enable.** Enables all alarms.
C A	**Clear Alarm.** Clears all alarms, terminates line processing, and resets the T1 bit error rate and frame slip counters.
C A L	**Clear Alarm Log.** Clears the alarm log.
C E	**Clear Error.** Clears the error counter for the T1.
D A [P]	**Display Alarms [Pause].** Displays the alarm log (a list of the most recent 100 alarms along with time and date stamps).
D C	**Display Configuration.** Displays the configuration settings for the cards including the serial number of the card, MMI firmware version, date and time, alarm enable/disable setting, self-clearing enable/disable setting, settings entered in Set Configuration, and dip switch settings.
D H [P]	**Display History [Pause].** Displays performance counters for the past 24 hours.
D P	**Display Performance.** Displays performance counters for the current hour.
D S [P]	**Display Status [Pause].** Displays carrier status, including whether the card is in the alarm state, and what alarm level is currently active.
H or ?	**Help.** Displays the help screen.
L	**Login.** Logs into the MMI terminal when the system has one line-side T1 card.
Q	**Quit.** Logs the terminal user out. If multiple line-side T1 cards share a single terminal, you should logout after using the MMI. Because of the shared daisy-chained link, if a line-side T1 card is logged in, it occupies the bus and no other line-side T1 cards are able to notify the MMI of alarms.
S A	**Set Alarm parameters.** Alarm parameters include the allowable bit errors per second threshold and alarm duration.
S C	**Set Clearing.** Sets the alarm self-clearing function to either *enable* or *disable*.
S D	**Set Date.** Sets date or verifies current date.
S T	**Set time.** Sets time or verifies current time.
T x	**Test.** Initiates the T1 carrier test function. To terminate a test in process, enter the STOP TEST (S) command at any time.

Configuring parameters

The MMI has been designed with default settings so that no configuration is necessary. However, you may want to reconfigure it based on your own environment.

Set Time

Before you begin to configure your MMI, login to the system and enter the current time. Do this by typing in the Set Time (S T) command set. The MMI will then display the time it has registered. You can enter a new time or just hit "Enter" to leave it unchanged. The time is entered in the "hh:mm:ss" military time format.

Set Date

You also need to set the current date. Do this by typing in the Set Date (S D) command set. MMI will then display the date it has registered. You can enter a new date or just hit "Enter" to leave it unchanged. The date is entered in the "mm/dd/yy" format.

Alarm parameters

The Set Alarm (S A) command set establishes the parameters by which an alarm is activated, and its duration. There are three alarm activation levels as described below:

- **Alarm Level 0 (AL0)** consists of activity with an error threshold below the AL1 setting. This is deemed to be a satisfactory condition and therefore no alarm will be activated.

- **Alarm Level 1 (AL1)** consists of activity with an error threshold above the AL1 setting but below AL2 setting. This is deemed to be a minor unsatisfactory condition. In this situation, the external alarm hardware will be activated by closing the normally open contact, the RED ALARM LED on the faceplate will light, and an alarm message will be created in the alarm log and the MMI terminal.

- **Alarm Level 2 (AL2)** consists of activity with an error threshold above the AL2 setting. This is deemed to be an unsatisfactory condition. In this situation, the external alarm hardware will be activated by closing the normally open contact, the RED ALARM LED on the faceplate will light, an alarm message will be created in the alarm log and the MMI terminal, the line-side T1 card will enter line processing mode, and a yellow alarm message will be sent to the CPE/CSU. Line processing will send the Meridian 1 either all "on-hook" or all "off-hook" signals, depending on the dip switch setting of the card.

When you use the Set Alarm command, you will be prompted to set the threshold level and duration period for alarm levels 1 and 2.

The threshold value indicates the number of bit errors detected per second that is necessary to activate the alarm. The T1 link processes at a rate of approximately 1.5 mb/s. The threshold value can be set between 3 and 9 and can be different for each alarm level. Any other value entered will cause the software to display a "Parameter Invalid" message. The threshold number that you enter represents the respective power of 10 as shown in Table 26.

Note: The error rate threshold for a level 2 alarm must be greater (a smaller power of 10) than for a level 1 alarm.

The duration value is set in seconds and can be set from 1 to 3,600 seconds (1 hour). This duration value indicates how long the alarm will last. Low bit error rates (10^{-7} through 10^{-9}) are restricted to longer durations since it takes more than one second to detect an alarm condition above 10^{-6}. Higher bit error rates are restricted to shorter durations because the MMI error counter fills at 65,000 errors.

Table 26
T1 bit error rate threshold settings

Alarm Threshold bit errors per second in Power of 10	Threshold to set alarm	Allowable Duration Periods
10^{-3}	1,500/second	1–21 seconds
10^{-4}	150/second	1–218 seconds
10^{-5}	15/second	1–2148 seconds
10^{-6}	1.5/second	1–3600 seconds
10^{-7}	1.5/10 seconds	10–3600 seconds
10^{-8}	1.5/100 seconds	100–3600 seconds
10^{-9}	1.5/1000 seconds	1000–3600 seconds

The alarm indications (LEDs and external alarm contacts) will clear automatically after the duration period has expired if the Set Clearing (S C) "Enable Self Clearing" option has been set. Otherwise, the alarm will continue until the command set Clear Alarm (C A) has been entered. When an alarm is cleared, all activity caused by the alarm will be cleared: the external alarm hardware will be deactivated (the contact normally open will be reopened), the LED light will go out, an entry will be made in the alarm log of the date and time the alarm was cleared, and carrier fail line supervision will cease (for alarm level 2 only). If self-clearing alarm indications have been disabled, carrier fail line supervision will terminate when the alarm condition has ceased, but the alarm contact and faceplate LED will remain active until the alarm is cleared.

Note: A heavy bit error rate can cause 150 bit errors to occur in less than 100 seconds. This will cause the alarm to be declared sooner.

An alarm will not be automatically cleared until the system no longer detects the respective bit error threshold during the corresponding duration period.

For example, if an AL1 threshold of 6 (representing 10^{-6}) and a duration period of 100 seconds is specified, an alarm will be activated if more than 150 bit errors occur in any 100 second period (1.5 seconds X 100 seconds = 150/100 seconds). As soon as the alarm is activated, the bit counter is reset to 0. If the next 100 seconds pass, and less than 150 bit errors are detected, then the alarm will clear after the duration period. However, if more than 150 bit errors are detected in the next 100 seconds, the alarm continues for the designated duration period. The alarm will finally clear when the alarm condition is no longer detected for the designated duration period either by self-clearing (if this function is enabled), or when the Clear Alarm (C A) command set is entered.

In addition to bit errors, the Set Alarm function sets parameters for detecting frame slip errors by establishing a threshold necessary to activate an alarm. If the threshold value is exceeded, a level 2 alarm will be activated. The frame slip threshold can be specified from 1 to 255 frame slips per time period. The duration time period can be specified from 1 to 24 hours.

When entering the Set Alarm command set, the MMI will scroll through the previously described series of alarm options. These options are displayed along with their current value, and you can either enter a new value or hit enter to retain the current value. Table 27 outlines the options available in the Set Alarm function.

> *Note:* If the duration period is set too long, the line-side T1 card will be slow to return to service automatically even when the carrier is no longer experiencing any errors. The Clear Alarm command will have to be entered manually to restore service promptly. To avoid this, the duration period should normally be set to 10 seconds.

Table 27
Set alarm options

Option	Description
AL1 Threshold	Sets the allowable bit errors per second (from 3 to 9) before alarm level 1 is activated. Factory default is 10^{-6}.
AL1 Duration	Sets the duration in seconds (from 1 to 3,600 seconds) that alarm level 1 is activated. Factory default is 10 seconds.
AL2 Threshold	Sets the allowable bit errors per second (from 3 to 9) before alarm level 2 is activated. Factory default is 10^{-5}.
AL2 Duration	Sets the duration in seconds (from 1 to 3,600 seconds) that alarm level 2 is activated. Factory default is 10 seconds
Frame Slip Threshold	Sets the allowable frame slips per time period (from 1 to 255) before alarm level 2 is activated. Factory default is 5.
Frame Slip Duration	Sets the duration in hours (from 1 to 24) that the frame slips are counted. After this time period, the counter is reset to 0. Factory default is 2 hours.

Set Clearing

The Set Clearing (S C) command set allows you to enable or disable self-clearing of alarms by answering **Y** or **N** to the question: "Enable Self Clearing? (YES or NO)". If "Enable Self-Clearing" is chosen (the factory default condition), the system will automatically clear alarms after the alarm condition is no longer detected for the corresponding duration period. The "Disable Self-Clearing" option causes the system to continue the alarm condition until the Clear Alarm (C A) command set is entered. Line processing and the yellow alarm indication to the CPE is terminated as soon as the alarm condition clears, even if "Disable Self-Clearing" is set.

Display Configuration

The Display Configuration (D C) command set displays the various configuration settings established for the line-side T1 card. Entering the Display Configuration (D C) command set will cause a screen similar to the following to appear:

LTI S/N 1103 Software Version 1.01   3/03/95 1:50
Alarms Enabled: YES   Self Clearing Enabled: YES

Alarm Level 1 threshold value: E-7   Threshold duration (in seconds): 10
Alarm Level 2 threshold value: E-5   Threshold duration (in seconds): 1
Frame slips alarm level threshold: 5   Threshold duration (in hours): 2
Current dip switch S1 settings (S1..S8) On Off Off On Off Off Off On
Current dip switch S2 settings (S1..S8) On Off On Off Off Off On Off

Alarm operation and reporting

The MMI monitors the T1 link according to the parameters established through the Set Alarm command set for the following conditions:

- Excessive bit error rate

- Frame slip errors

- Out of frame condition

- Loss of signal condition

- Blue alarm (AIS) condition

Descriptions of the excessive bit error rate and frame slip errors conditions can be found in "Configuring parameters" on page 107. Bit errors may activate either a level 1 or level 2 alarm. The remaining conditions, when detected, will always cause the system to activate a level 2 alarm.

An out of frame condition will be declared if two out of four frame bits are in error. If this condition occurs, the hardware will immediately attempt to reframe. During the reframe time, the T1 link will be declared out of frame, and silence will be sent on all receive timeslots.

A loss of signal condition is declared if a full frame (192 bits) of consecutive zeros has been detected at the receive inputs. If this condition occurs, the T1 link will automatically attempt to resynchronize with the distant end. If this condition occurs for more than two seconds, a level 2 alarm will be declared, and silence will be sent on all receive timeslots. The alarm will be cleared if, after two seconds, neither a loss of signal, out of frame condition, nor blue alarm condition occurs.

If a repeating device loses signal, it will immediately begin sending an unframed all ones signal to the distant end to indicate an alarm condition. This condition is called a blue alarm, or an alarm indication signal (AIS). If an AIS is detected for more than two seconds, a level 2 alarm will be declared, and silence will be sent on all receive timeslots. The alarm will be cleared if, after two seconds, neither a loss of signal, out of frame condition, nor blue alarm condition occurs.

Alarm Disable

The Alarm Disable (A D) command disables the external alarm contacts. When this command is typed in the MMI will display the message "Alarms Disabled" and the MAINT LED will light. In this mode, no yellow alarms are sent and the line-side T1 card will not enter line processing mode. Alarm messages will still be to be sent on the MMI terminal and the LED light will still continue to indicate alarm conditions.

Alarm Enable

The Alarm Enable (A E) command set does the reverse of the Alarm Disable command set. It enables the external alarm contacts. When this command set is typed in, the MMI will display the message "Alarms Enabled." In this mode, yellow alarms can be sent and the line-side T1 card can enter line processing mode.

Clear Alarm

The Clear Alarm (C A) command set will clear all activity initiated by an alarm: the external alarm hardware will be deactivated (the contact normally open will be reopened), the LED light will go out, an entry will be made in the alarm log of the date and time the alarm was cleared, and line processing will cease (for alarm level 2 only). When this command set is typed in, the MMI will display the message "Alarm acknowledged." If the alarm condition still exists, the alarm will be declared again.

Display Alarms

A detailed report of the most recent 100 alarms with time and date stamps can be displayed by entering the Display Alarms (D A) command set into the MMI. Entering the Display Alarms (D A) command set will cause a screen similar to the following to appear:

Alarm Log

3/03/95 1:48 Yellow alarm on T1 carrier

3/03/95 1:50 Initialized Memory

3/03/95 2:33 T1 carrier level 1 alarm

3/03/95 3:47 T1 carrier level 2 alarm

3/03/95 4:43 T1 carrier performance within thresholds

3/03/95 15:01 Log Cleared

The Pause command can be used to display a full screen at a time by entering D A P.

Clear Alarm Log

You can clear all entries in the alarm log by typing in the Clear Alarm Log (C A L) command set.

Display Status

The Display Status (D S) command set displays the current alarm condition of the T1 link as well as the on-hook or off-hook status of each of the 24 ports of the line-side T1 card. Entering the Display Status (D S) command set will cause a screen similar to the following to appear:

LTI S/N   Software Version 1.01   3/03/95 1:50

In alarm state: NO

T1 link at alarm level 0

Port 0 off hook, Port 1 on hook, Port 2 on hook, Port 3 on hook,

Port 4 on hook, Port 5 on hook, Port 6 off hook, Port 7 off hook,

Port 8 off hook, Port 9 on hook, Port 10 on hook, Port 11 on hook,

Port 12 off hook, Port 13 on hook, Port 14 on hook, Port 15 on hook,

Port 16 on hook, Port 17 on hook, Port 18 off hook, Port 19 off hook,

Port 20 off hook, Port 21 on hook, Port 22 on hook, Port 23 on hook

Performance counters and reporting

The MMI monitors the performance of the T1 link according to several performance criteria including errored, bursty, unavailable, loss of frame and frame slip seconds. It registers the performance of these criteria by reading their status every second and counting their results. These counts are accumulated for an hour, at which time they are reset to 0. Previous hour count results are maintained for each hours for the previous 24 hours.

The performance criteria for which these counts are maintained are as follows:

• Errored seconds—one or more CRC-6 errors, or one or more out of frame errors in a second

• Bursty seconds—more than one and less than 320 CRC-6 errors in a second

• Unavailable seconds—unavailable state starts with 10 consecutive severely errored seconds and ends with 10 consecutive severely errored seconds (excluding the final 10 non-severely errored seconds). Severely errored seconds are defined as more than 320 CRC-6 errors, or one or more out of frames in a second

- Loss of frame seconds—loss of frame or loss of signal for three consecutive seconds

- Framer slip seconds—one ore more frame slips in a second

The MMI also maintains an overall error counter that is just a sum of all the errors counted for the five performance criteria listed above. The error counter can only be cleared by entering the "Clear Error" command. It will stop counting at 65,000. The error counter provides an easy method to determine if an alarm condition has been corrected. Simply clear the error counter, wait a few minutes, and display performance to see if any errors have occurred since the counter was cleared.

Reports on these performance counters can be displayed by entering the Display Performance (D P) or the Display History (D H) command sets into the MMI.

Display Performance

Entering the Display Performance (D P) command set will display performance counters for the past hour. A screen similar to the following will appear:

<div align="center">

LTI T1 Interface Performance Log

3/03/95 1:37

</div>

Data for the past 37 Minutes

Errored Seconds	Bursty Seconds	Unavailable Seconds	Loss Frame Seconds	Frame Slip Seconds	Error Counter
2263	0	2263	2263	352	321

Each column, except the error counter, indicates the number of errors in the current hour and is reset to zero every hour on the hour. When these counters are reset to zero, the performance counter values are put into the history log. The error counter indicates the number of errors since the error counter was cleared.

Display History

Entering the Display History (D H) command set will display performance counters for each hour for the past 24 hours. A screen similar to the following will appear:

LTI T1 Interface History Performance Log

3/03/95 1:35

Hour Ending	Errored Seconds	Bursty Seconds	Unavailable Seconds	Loss Frame Seconds	Frame Slip Seconds	Error Counter
20:00	139	0	129	139	23	162
19:00	0	0	0	0	0	0
18:00	0	0	0	0	0	0
17:00	0	0	0	0	0	0
16:00	0	0	0	0	0	0

The pause command can be used to display a full screen at a time by entering D H P.

Clear Error

You can reset the error counter to zero by entering the Clear Error (C E) command set. The error counter provides a convenient way to determine if the T1 link is performing without errors since it can be cleared and examined at any time.

Testing

The Test Carrier (T C) command set allows you to run tests on the line-side T1 card, the T1 link, or the CPE device. The three tests give you the capability to isolate faulty conditions to any one of these three sources.   See Table 28 for additional information on these three test types. After entering the T C command set, you will be prompted to enter which of the three tests you wish to initiate. The prompt will appear similar to the following:

Test 1: Local Loopback Test
Test 2: External Loopback Test
Test 3: Network Loopback Test
(1,2,3 or S to cancel):

Tests can be performed once (for 1 through 98 minutes), or continuously (selected by entering 99 minutes) until a "Stop Test" command is entered. Tests continue for the duration specified even if a failure occurs, and terminate at the end of the time period or when a "Stop Test" command is issued. Only a "Stop Test" command will stop a test with a duration selection of 99. After entering the test number selection, a prompt similar to the following will appear:

> Enter Duration of Test (1-98 Mins, 0 = Once, 99 = Forever)
> Verify DS-30A Links are disabled. Hit Q to quit or any Key to Continue

Before a test is run, be sure to verify that DS-30A links are disabled since the tests will interfere with calls currently in process.

During a test, if an invalid word is received, a failure peg counter is incremented. The peg counter saturates at 65,000 counts. At the end of the test, the Test Results message will indicate how many failures, if any, occurred during the test.

Table 28 shows which test to run for the associated equipment.

Table 28
MMI Tests

Test Number	Equipment Tested	Test Description
1	line-side T1 card	Local loopback
2	T1 link, line-side T1 card and T1 network	External loopback
3	CPE device and T1 network	Network loopback

Test 1, local loopback, loops the T1 link signaling toward itself at the backplane connector, and test data is generated and received on all timeslots. If this test fails, it indicates that the line-side T1 card is defective. Figure 20 demonstrates how the signaling is looped back toward itself.

Figure 20
MMI Local loopback test

Figure 21
MMI External loopback test
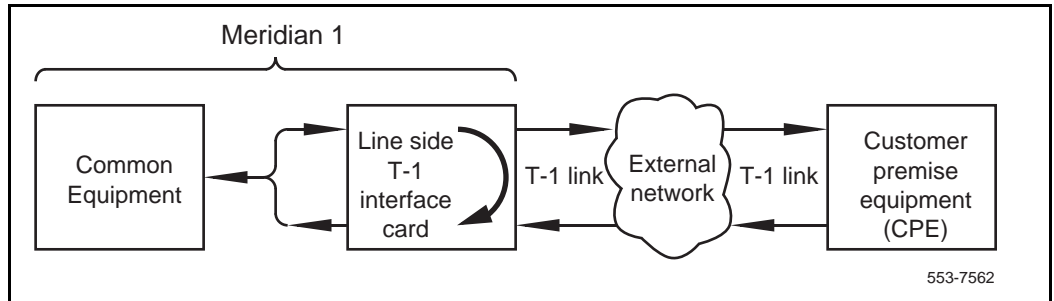
Test 2, external loopback, assumes an external loopback is applied to the T1 link. Test data is generated and received by the line-side T1 card on all timeslots. If test 1 passes but test 2 fails, it indicates that the T1 link is defective between the line-side T1 card and the external loopback location. If test 1 was not run and test 2 fails, the T1 link or the line-side T1 card could be defective. To isolate the failure to the T1 link, tests 1 and 2 must be run in tandem. Figure 21 demonstrates how an external loopback is applied to the T1 link.

Figure 21
MMI External loopback test
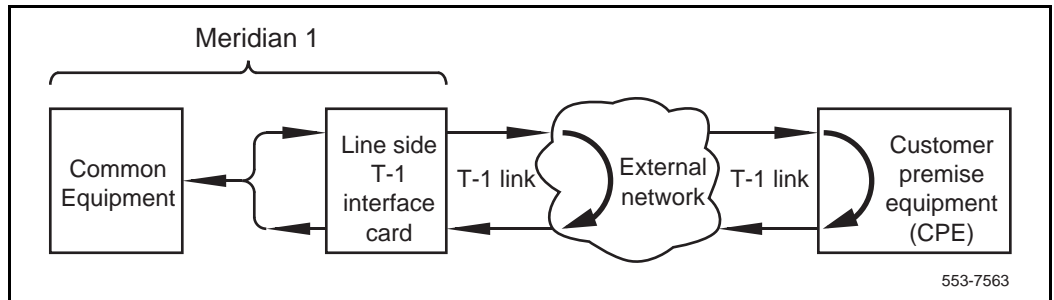
Test 3, network loopback, loops the received T1 data back toward the CPE equipment. No test data is generated or received by the line-side T1 card. If test 2 passes but test 3 fails, it indicates that the CPE device is defective. If test 2 was not run and test 3 fails, the T1 link or the CPE device could be defective. To isolate the failure to the CPE device, tests 2 and 3 must be run in tandem. Figure 22 demonstrates how the signaling is looped back toward the CPE equipment.

Figure 22
MMI Network loopback test

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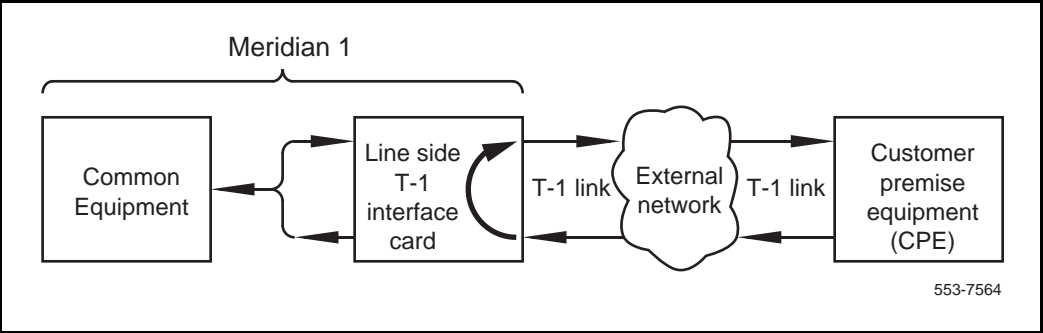
Applications

The line-side T1 interface is an Intelligent Peripheral Equipment (IPE) line card that provides cost-effective connection between T1-compatible peripheral equipment and a Meridian 1 system or off-premise extensions over long distances.

Some examples of applications where a line-side T1 card can be interfaced to a T1 link are:

- T1 compatible voice response unit (VRU) equipment

- T1 compatible turret systems

- T1 compatible wireless systems

- Remote analog (500/2500) telephone sets through T1 to a channel bank

- Remote Norstar sites behind Meridian 1 over T1

The line-side T1 card is appropriate for any application where both T1 connectivity and "line-side" functionality is required. This includes connections to T1-compatible voice response units, voice messaging and trading turret (used in stock market applications) systems (see Figure 23).

Figure 23
Line-side T1 interface connection to peripheral equipment
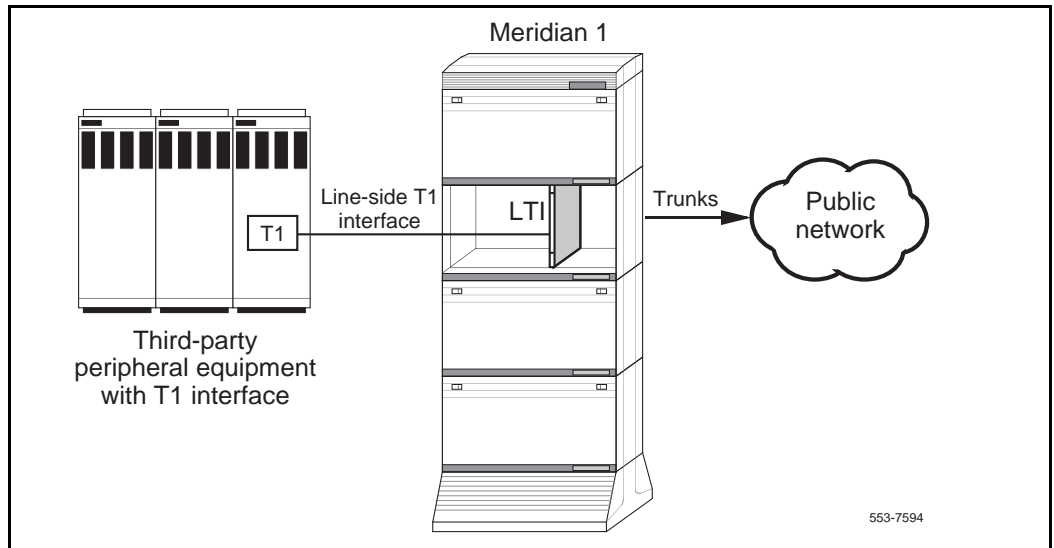
For example, the line-side T1 card can be used to connect the Meridian 1 to a T1-compatible voice response unit (VRU). An example of this type of equipment is Nortel Networks Open IVR system. In this way, the Meridian 1 can send a call to the VRU, and, because the line-side T1 card supports analog (500/2500) telephone type functionality, the VRU is able to send the call back to the Meridian 1 for further handling.

The line-side T1 card can also be used to provide off-premise extensions to remote locations (up to 500 miles from the Meridian 1 system). In this application, the analog telephone functionality is extended over T1 facilities, providing a telephone at a remote site with access to analog (500/2500) telephone type line functionality (Figure 24). An audible message waiting indicator can be provided as well.

Figure 24
Line-side T1 interface in off-premise application
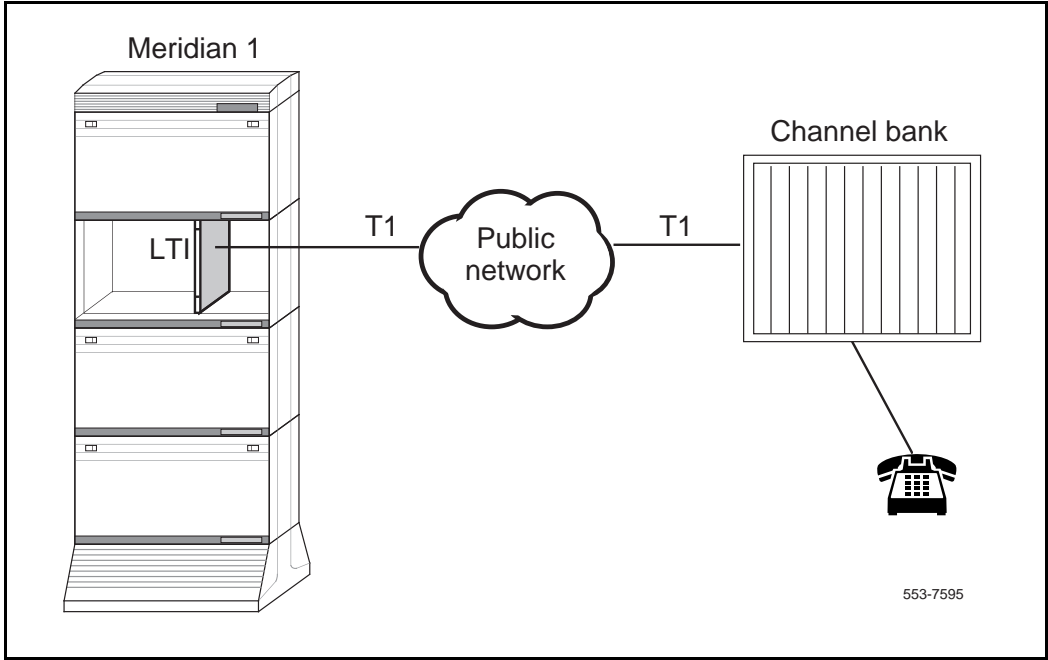
Similarly, the line-side T1 can be used to provide a connection between the Meridian 1 system and a remote Norstar system (Figure 24). In this case, channel banks would not be required provided that the Norstar system is equipped with a T1 interface.

Figure 25
Line-side T1 interface connection to Norstar system
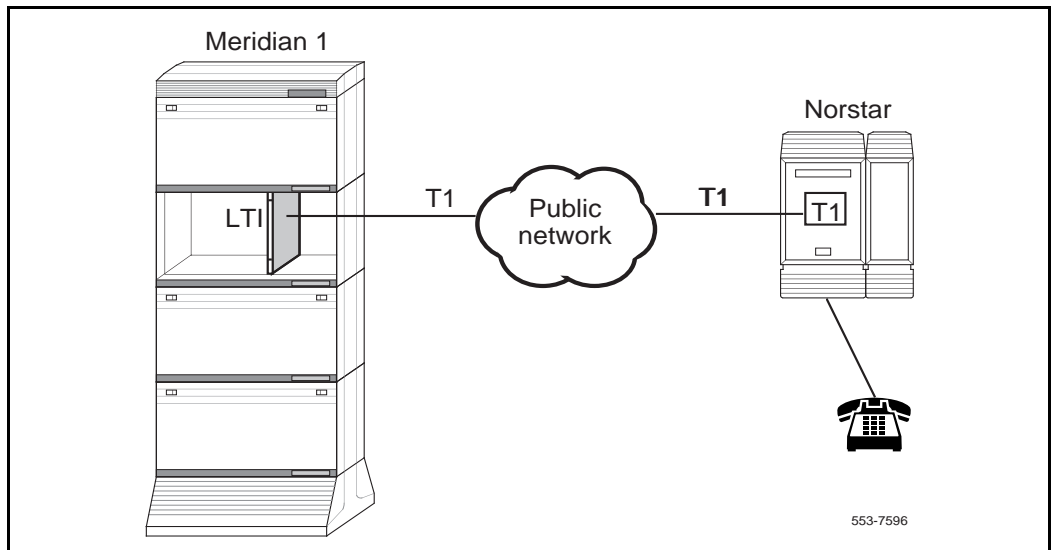
Note: The line-side T1 card audio levels must be considered when determining the appropriateness of an application.

NT5D33 and NTRB34 Line-side E1 Interface Cards

Content list

The following are the topics in this section:

Reference list

The following reference is in this section:

- *X11 Administration* (553-3001-311)

Introduction

The Line-side E1 Interface card (LEI) is an intelligent peripheral equipment (IPE) line card. The LEI provides an all-digital connection between E1-compatible terminal equipment, such as a voice mail system, and a Meridian 1.

The LEI interfaces one E1 line, carrying 30 channels, to the Meridian 1. The LEI emulates an analog line card to the Meridian 1 software. Each channel is independently configurable by software control in the Analog (500/2500) Telephone Administration program (LD10). The LEI also comes equipped with a Man-Machine Interface (MMI) maintenance program, which provides diagnostic information regarding the status of the E1 link.

Install the NT5D33 version of the LEI in the NT8D37 IPE module.

Install the NT5D34 version of the LEI in:

- the NTAK11 Option 11C Main Cabinet
- the Option 11C NTAK12 Expansion Cabinet
- the NT1P70 Small Remote IPE Main Cabinet
- the NTAK12 Small Remote IPE Expansion Cabinet

Physical description

The LEI mounts in two consecutive card slots in the IPE shelf and uses 16 channels on the first slot and 14 channels on the second. The LEI includes a motherboard (31.75 by 25.40 cm. (12.5 by 10 in.) and a daughterboard (5.08 by 15.24 cm. (2 by 6 in.)

Card connections

The LEI uses the NT8D81AA Tip and Ring cable to connect from the IPE backplane to the 25-pair Amphenol connector on the IPE input/output (I/O) panel. The I/O panel connector connects to a E1 line, external alarm and an MMI terminal or modem, using the NT5D35 or NT5D36 Line-side I/O cable available from Nortel Networks.

Faceplate

The LEI faceplate is twice as wide as the other standard analog and digital line cards, thereby occupying two card slots. The LE1 faceplate has four LEDs. See Figure 26 (IPE version), and Figure 27 (Option 11C and small remote cabinet version.)

The LEDs give status indications on the operations as described in Table 29:

Table 29
Line-side E1 card LED operation

LED	Operation
Status	Line card
Red alarm	E1 near end
Yellow alarm	E1 far end
Maint	Maintenance

Figure 26
NT5D33AB Line-side E1 card—faceplate
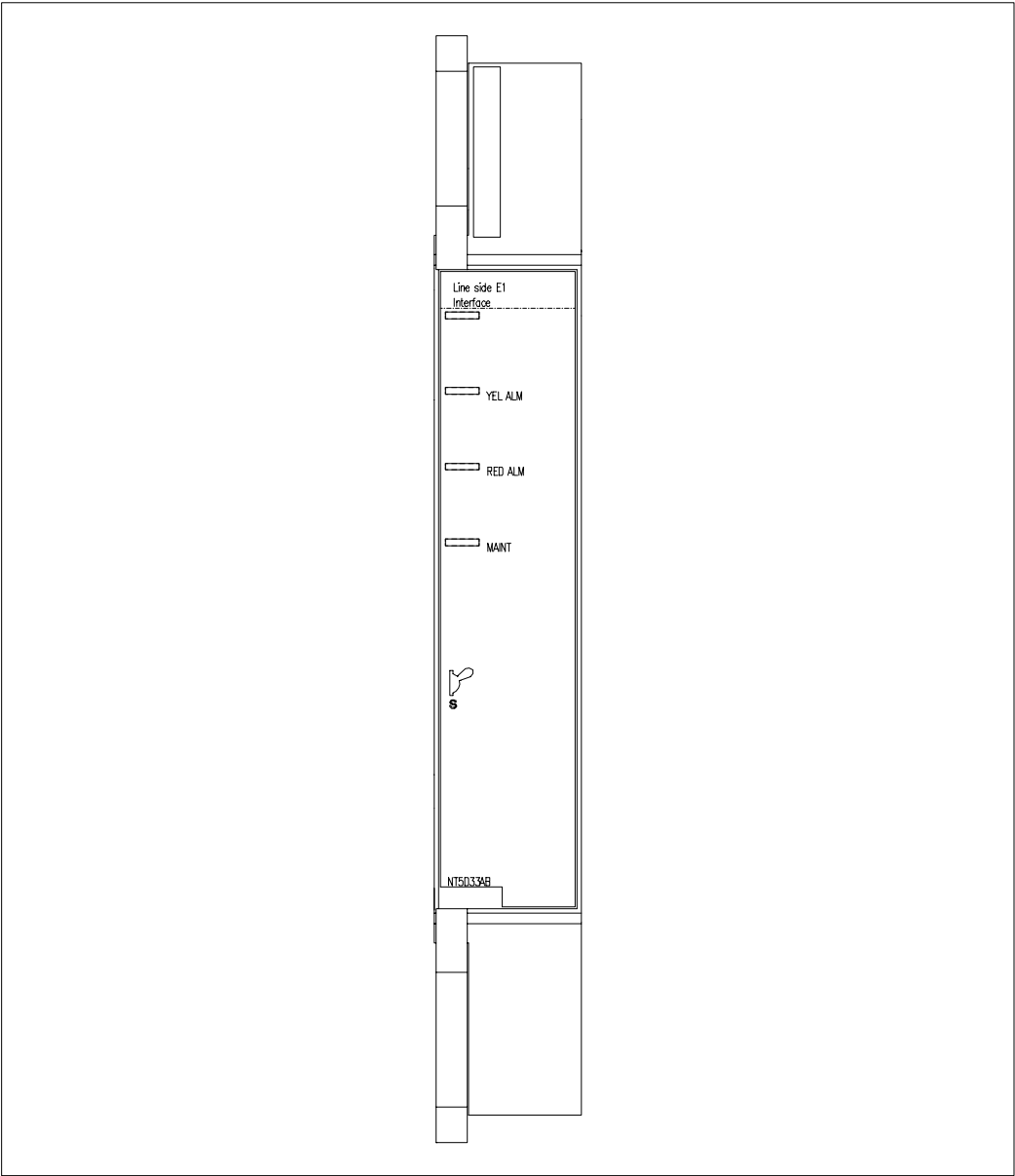
Figure 27
NT5D34AB Line-side E1 line card—faceplate

Line side E1
Interface

YEL ALM

RED ALM

MAINT

NT5D34AB
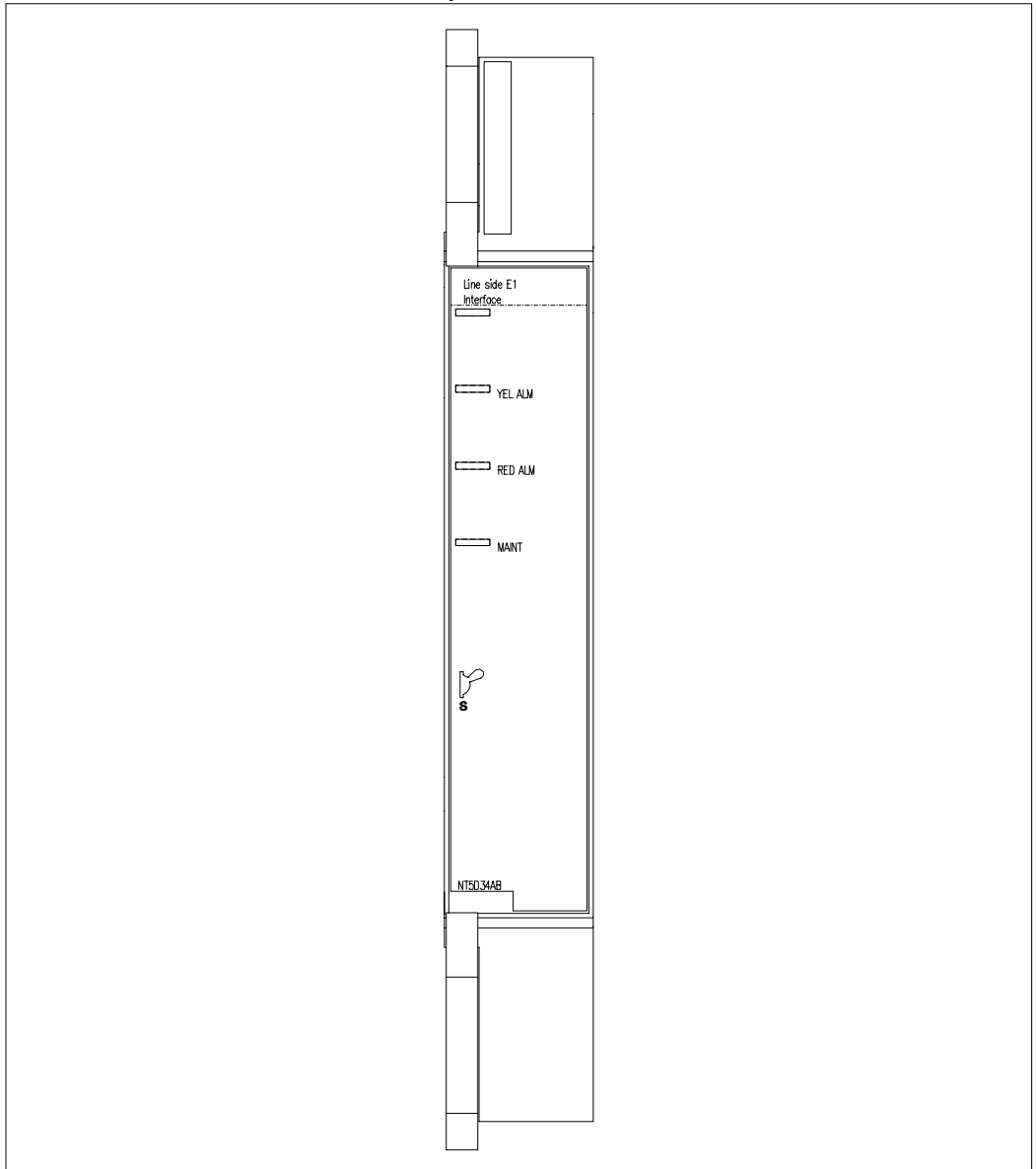
The **STATUS** LED indicates whether or not the LEI has successfully passed

its self test, and therefore, whether or not it is functional. When the card is installed, this LED remains lit for two to five seconds as the self-test runs. If the self-test completes successfully, the LED flashes three times and remains lit until the card is configured and enabled in software, at which time the LED goes out.   If the LED does not follow the pattern described or operates in any other manner (such as continually flashing or remaining weakly lit), the card should be replaced.

> *Note:* The STATUS LED indicates the enabled/disabled status of both card slots of the LEI simultaneously. To properly enable the card, both the motherboard and the daughterboard slots must be enabled. The STATUS LED will turn out as soon as either one of the LEI slots have been enabled.   No LED operation will be observed when the second card slot is enabled. To properly disable the card, both card slots must be disabled. The LED will not turn on until both card slots have been disabled.

The **RED ALARM LED** indicates whether or not the LEI has detected an alarm condition from the E1 link. Alarm conditions include, but are not limited to, such conditions as not receiving a signal, the signal has exceeded bit error thresholds or frame slip thresholds. See "Man-Machine E1 maintenance interface software" on page 156 for information on E1 link maintenance.

If one of these alarm conditions is detected, this LED will light. Yellow alarm indication is sent to the far end as long as the near end remains in a red alarm condition. Depending on how the Man Machine Interface (MMI) is configured, this LED will remain lit until one the following actions occur:

- If the "Self-Clearing" function is enabled in the MMI, the LED will clear the alarm when the alarm condition is no longer detected (this is the factory default configuration).

- If the "Self-Clearing" function has <u>not</u> been enabled or it has been subsequently disabled in the MMI, the LED alarm indication will stay lit until the command "Clear Alarm" has been typed in the MMI, even though the carrier automatically returned to service when the alarm condition was no longer detected.

The **YELLOW ALARM** LED indicates that the LEI has detected a yellow alarm signal from the terminal equipment side of the E1 link. See "Man-Machine E1 maintenance interface software" on page 156 for information on E1 link maintenance. If the terminal equipment detects a red alarm condition (including, but not limited to, such conditions as not receiving a signal, the signal exceeds bit-error thresholds or frame-slip thresholds), it may send a yellow alarm signal to the LEI, depending on whether or not your terminal equipment supports this feature. If a yellow alarm signal is detected, this LED will light.

The **MAINT** LED indicates whether or not the LEI is fully operational because of certain maintenance commands that are issued through the MMI. See "Man-Machine E1 maintenance interface software" on page 156 for information on E1 link maintenance. If the card detects that tests are being run or that alarms have been disabled through the MMI, this LED will light and will remain lit until these conditions are no longer detected, at which time it will turn off.

Functional description

Figure 28 shows a block diagram of the major functions contained on the line-side E1 card. Each of these functions is described on the following pages.

Overview

The Line-side E1 Interface card (LEI) is an intelligent peripheral equipment (IPE) line card that provides a cost-effective, all-digital connection between E1-compatible terminal equipment (such as voice mail systems, voice response units, trading turrets, etc.) and a Meridian 1 system. In this application, the terminal equipment can be assured access to analog (500/2500) telephone line functionality such as hook flash, SPRE codes and ringback tones generated from the Meridian 1. The LEI supports line supervision features such as loop and ground start protocols. It may also be used in an off-premise arrangement whereby analog (500/2500) telephones are extended over twisted pair or coaxial E1 with the use of channel bank equipment.

Figure 28
Line-side E1 card—block diagram
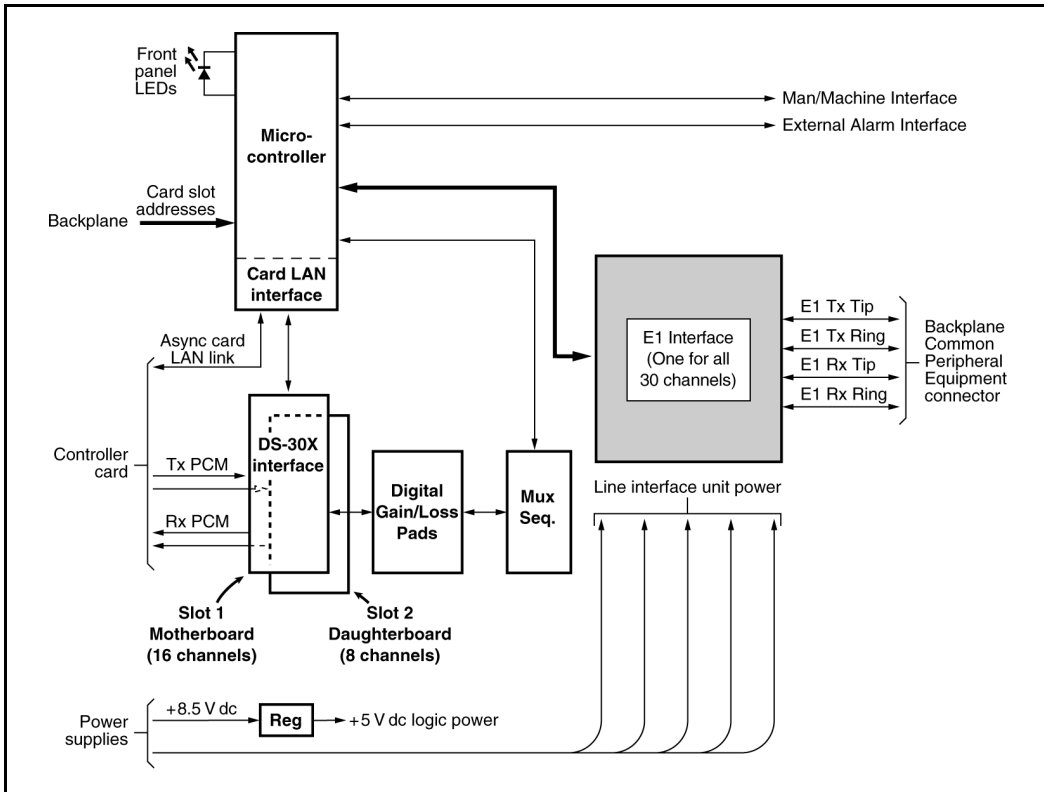
The LEI offers significant improvement over the previous alternatives. For example, if a digital "trunk-side" connection were used, such as with the DTI/PRI interface card, "line-side" functionality would not be supported. Previously, the only way to achieve the line-side functionality was to use analog ports and channel bank equipment. With the LEI, a direct connection is provided between the Meridian 1 and the peripheral equipment. No channel bank equipment is required, resulting in a more robust and reliable connection.

When used for connecting to third-party applications equipment, the LEI offers a number of benefits. It is a more cost-effective alternative for connection because it eliminates the need for expensive channel bank equipment. In addition, the Line-side E1 supports powerful E1 monitoring, and diagnostic capability. Overall costs for customer applications may also be reduced because the E1-compatible peripheral equipment is often more attractively priced than the analog-port alternatives.

The LEI is compatible with all IPE-based systems and with standard public or private CEPT-type carrier facilities. It supports CRC-4- or FAS-only framing formats as well as AMI or HDB3 coding. Because it uses standard PCM in standard E1 timeslots, existing E1 test equipment remains compatible for diagnostic and fault isolation purposes. A/B Bit signaling may be customized according to the user's system, including the Australian P2 signaling scheme.

Card interfaces

The LEI passes voice and signaling data over DS-30X loops through the DS-30X Interface circuits and maintenance data over the card LAN link.

E1 interface circuit

The LEI contains one E1 line-interface circuit which provides 30 individually configurable voice interfaces to one E1 link in 30 different time slots. The circuit demultiplexes the 2.56 Mbps DS-30X transmit signaling bitstreams from the DS-30X network loop and converts it into 2.048 mHz E1 transmit signaling bitstreams onto the E1 link. It also does the opposite, receiving receive signaling bitstreams from the E1 link and transmitting receive signaling bitstreams onto the DS-30X network loop.

The E1 interface circuit provides the following:

- An industry standard CEPT (0 to 655 feet) interface

- DS-30X signaling protocol into FXO A- and B-channel-associated signaling protocol

- Switch-selectable transmission and reception of E1 signaling messages over an E1 link in either loop or ground start mode

- Switch-selectable call processing between the Australian P2, North American Standard, or other user-configurable schemes

Signaling and control

The LEI also contains signaling and control circuits that establish, supervise, and take down call connections. These circuits work with the system controller to operate the E1 line interface circuit during calls. The circuits receive outgoing call signaling messages from the controller and return incoming call status information to the controller over the DS-30X network loop.

Card control functions

Control functions are provided by a microcontroller and a card LAN link on the LEI. A sanity timer is provided to automatically reset the card if the microcontroller stops functioning for any reason.

Microcontrollers

The LEI contains a microcontroller that controls the internal operation of the card and the serial card LAN link to the controller card. The microcontroller controls the following:

- reporting to the CE CP via the card LAN link

    — card identification (card type, vintage, serial number)

    — firmware version

    — self-test results

    — programmed unit parameter status

- receipt and implementation of card configuration

    — control of the E1 line interface

    — enabling/disabling of individual units or entire card

    — programming of loop interface control circuits for administration of channel operation

    — maintenance diagnostics

- interface with the line card circuit

    — converts on/off-hook, and ringer control messages from the DS-30X loop into A/B bit manipulations for each time slot in the E1 data stream, using channel associated signaling.

- the front panel LED when the card is enabled or disabled by instructions from the NT8D01 controller card.

Card LAN interface

Maintenance data is exchanged with the Common Equipment CP over a dedicated asynchronous serial network called the Card LAN link. The Card LAN link is described in "Card LAN link" on page 20.

Sanity Timer

The LEI also contains a sanity timer that resets the microcontroller in the event of a loss of program control. If the timer is not properly serviced by the microcontroller, it times out and causes the microcontroller to be hardware-reset. If the microcontroller loses control and fails to service the sanity timer at least once per second, the sanity timer will automatically reset the microcontroller, restoring program control.

Man-Machine Interface (MMI)

The LEI provides an optional Man-Machine Interface that is primarily used for E1 link performance monitoring and problem diagnosis. The MMI provides alarm notification, E1 link performance reporting, and fault isolation testing. The interface is accessed through connections from the I/O panel to a terminal or modem. Multiple cards (up to 64) can be served through one MMI terminal or modem by linking the LEIs via daisy chain.

The MMI is an optional feature, since all E1 configuration settings are performed through dip switch settings or preconfigured factory default settings. Available MMI commands, and their complete functionality, are discussed in-depth in "Man-Machine E1 maintenance interface software" on page 156.

Electrical specifications

Table 30 provides a technical summary of the E1 line interface. Table 31 lists the maximum power consumed by the card.

E1 channel specifications

Table 30 provides specifications for the 30 E1 channels. Each characteristic is set via dip switch. See "Installation and Configuration" on page 137. for a discussion of the corresponding dip switch settings.

Table 30
Line-side E1 card — line interface unit electrical characteristics

Characteristics	Description
Framing	CRC-4 or FAS, only
Coding	AMI or HDB3
Signaling	Loop or ground start A/B robbed-bit
Distance to LTU	0-199.6 meters (0-655 feet)

Power requirements

Table 31 shows the voltage and maximum current that the LEI requires from the backplane. One NT8D06 Peripheral Equipment Power Supply AC or NT6D40 Peripheral Equipment Power Supply DC can supply power to a maximum of eight LEIs.

Table 31
Line-side E1 card—power required

Voltage	Max. Current
5.0 V dc	1.6 Amp
+15.0 V dc	150 mA
-15.0 V dc	150 mA

Foreign and surge voltage protections

In-circuit protection against power line crosses or lightning strikes is not provided on the LEI. It does, however, have protection against accidental shorts to -52 V dc analog lines.

When the card is used to service off-premise terminal equipment through the public telephone network, install a Line Termination Unit (LTU) as part of your terminal equipment to provide external line protection.

Environmental specifications

Table 32 shows the environmental specifications of the LEI.

Table 32
Line-side E1 card—environmental specifications

Parameter	Specifications
Operating temperature - normal	15° to +30° C (+59° to 86° F), ambient
Operating temperature - short term	10° to +45° C (+50 to 113° F), ambient
Operating humidity - normal	20% to 55% RH (non-condensing)
Operating humidity - short term	20% to 80% RH (non condensing)
Storage temperature	-50° to + 70° C (-58° to 158° F), ambient
Storage humidity	5% to 95% RH (non-condensing)

Installation and Configuration

Installation and configuration of the LEI consists of six basic steps:

1 Set the dip switches on the LEI for your call environment.

2 Install the LEI into the selected card slots.

3 Cable from the I/O panel to the LTU, man-machine interface (MMI) terminal or modem (optional), external alarm (optional), and other LEIs for daisy chaining use of MMI terminal (optional).

4 Configure the MMI terminal.

5 Configure the LEI through the Meridian 1 software and verify self-test results.

6 Verify initial E1 operation and configure MMI (optional).

Steps 1-5 are explained in this section. Step 6 is covered in "Man-Machine E1 maintenance interface software" on page 156.

Dip switch settings

Begin your installation and configuration of the LEI by selecting the proper dip switch settings for your environment. The LEI contains two dip switches, each containing eight switch positions. They are located in the upper right corner of the motherboard circuit card as shown in Figure 29. The settings for these switches are shown in Tables 33 through 36.

When the line-side E1 card is oriented as shown in Figure 29, the dip switches are ON when they are up, and OFF when they are down. The dip switch settings configure your card for the following parameters:

MMI port speed selection

This dip switch setting selects the appropriate baud rate for the terminal or modem (if any) that is connected to your MMI.

Figure 29
Line-side E1 card—E1 protocol dip switch locations
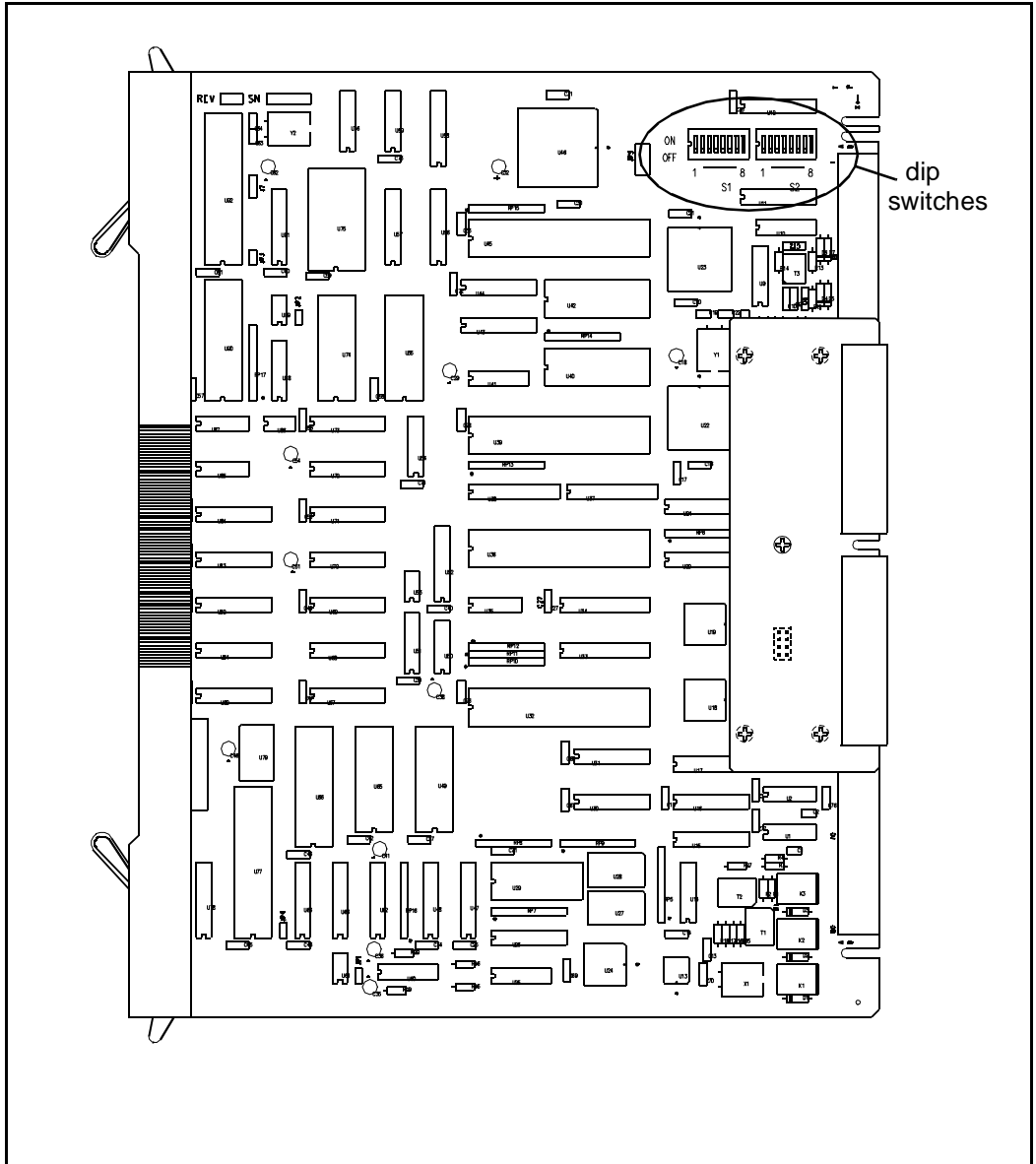
Line Supervisory Signaling protocol

The LEI is capable of supporting loop start or ground start call processing modes. Make your selection for this dip switch position based on what type of line signaling your Customer Premise Equipment (CPE) supports.

Address of LEI to the MMI

The address of the LEI to the MMI is made up of two components:

- the address of the card within the shelf

- the address of the shelf in which the card resides.

These two addresses are combined to create a unique address for the card. The MMI reads the address of the card within the shelf from the card firmware; the address of the shelf must be set by this dip switch.

The shelf address dip switch can be from 0-15, 16 being the maximum number of Line-side E1 IPE shelves (a maximum of 64 LEI cards) capable of daisy chaining to a single MMI terminal. For clarity and ease, it is recommended that this address be set the same as the address of the peripheral controller identifier in overlay 97 for type: XPE.   However, this is not mandatory, and, since the dip switch is limited to 16, this will not always be possible.

E1 framing

The LEI is capable of interfacing with LTU equipment either in CRC-4 or FAS only framing mode. Make your selection for this dip switch position based on what type of framing your LTU equipment supports.

E1 Coding

The LEI is capable of interfacing with LTU equipment using either AMI or HDB3 coding. Make your selection for this dip switch position based on the type of coding your LTU equipment supports.

Line supervision on E1 failure

This setting determines in what state all 30 LEI ports will appear to the Meridian 1 in case of E1 failure. Ports can appear to the Meridian 1 as either in the "on-hook" or "off-hook" states on E1 failure.

Note: All idle LEI lines will go off-hook and seize a Digitone Receiver when the off-hook line processing is invoked on E1 failure. This may prevent DID trunks from receiving incoming calls until the LEI lines time-out and release the DTRs.

Daisy-Chaining to MMI

If you plan to install two or more LEIs and to use the MMI, you will want to daisy-chain your cards together to use one MMI terminal or modem. Make your selection for this dip switch position based on how many LEIs you are installing.

MMI Master or Slave

This setting is used only if you are daisy-chaining your cards to the MMI terminal or modem. It determines whether this card is a master or a slave in the daisy chain. Select the master setting if there are no LEIs between this card and the MMI terminal or modem; select the slave setting if there are other cards in the daisy chain between this card and the MMI.

Tables 33 through 35 show the dip switch settings for Switch #1. Table 36 shows the dip switch settings for Switch #2.

Table 33
Line-side E1 card—Switch #1 dip switch settings

Characteristic	Selection	Switch Position	Switch Setting	Factory Default
MMI port speed selection	1200 baud 2400 baud	1 1	ON OFF	OFF
E1 signaling	Ground start Loop start	2 2	ON OFF	OFF
IPE Shelf address for LEI	See Table 35	3 4 5 6	See Table 35	OFF OFF OFF OFF
Card type for ringer allocation	XTI = 19 XMLC = 18	7 7	ON OFF	OFF
E1 signaling	See Table 34	8	OFF	OFF

When dip switch #1, positions 2 and 8 are set to "Table," AB Bits are configured by the user via the **SET MODE** MMI command (see "Set Mode" on page 167). Otherwise, the signaling scheme selected by dip switch 1, positions 2 and 8 will be used.

Table 34
Line-side E1 card—signaling-type dip switch settings

Switch #1			
Characteristic	**Selection**	**Position 2**	**Position 8**
Signaling Type	Loop start	OFF	OFF
	Ground start	ON	OFF
	Australian P2	OFF	ON
	Table	ON	ON

Table 35
Line-side E1 card—XPEC address dip switch settings (Switch S1, positions 3-6)

XPEC Address	S1 Switch Position 3	S1 Switch Position 4	S1 Switch Position 5	S1 Switch Position 6
00	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF
01	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF
02	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF
03	ON	ON	OFF	OFF
04	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF
05	ON	OFF	ON	OFF
06	OFF	ON	ON	OFF
07	ON	ON	ON	OFF
08	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
09	ON	OFF	OFF	ON
10	OFF	ON	OFF	ON
11	ON	ON	OFF	ON
12	OFF	OFF	ON	ON
13	ON	OFF	ON	ON
14	OFF	ON	ON	ON
15	ON	ON	ON	ON

Table 36
Line-side E1 card—E1 Switch 2 (S2) dip switch settings

Characteristic	Selection	Switch Position	Switch Setting	Factory Default
E1 framing	CRC-4 Disabled	1	ON	OFF
	CRC-4 Enabled	1	OFF	
E1 coding	AMI	2	ON	OFF
	HDB3	2	OFF	
NOT USED	leave ON	3	ON	ON
	leave OFF	4	OFF	OFF
	leave OFF	5	OFF	OFF
Line processing on E1 link failure	On-hook	6	ON	ON
	Off-hook	6	OFF	
Daisy-chaining to MMI	YES	7	ON	OFF
	NO	7	OFF	
MMI master or slave	Master	8	ON	ON
	Slave	8	OFF	

After the card has been installed, display the dip switch settings using the MMI command `Display Configuration (D C)`. See "Man-Machine E1 maintenance interface software" on page 156 for details on how to this and the rest of the available MMI commands.

Installation

Because of the wiring in some of the Meridian 1 modules and cabinets, the LEI will only work in certain card slot pairs. These restrictions depend on the type of module or cabinet you have. In all other modules or cabinets where the conditions listed below do not exist, the LEI will work in any two adjacent card slots.

- In the NTAK12 Small Remote IPE Expansion Cabinet only card slots 10-15 are available

- In the NT8D37 IPE Module, if the 25-pair I/O connectors are partially split between adjacent IPE card slots, the LEI works only in card slots where Unit 0 of the motherboard card slot appear on the first pair of the 25-pair I/O connector.

If you are installing the LEI into the NT8D37 IPE module, you must determine which vintage level module you have. Certain vintage levels have dedicated 25-pair I/O connectors only for card slots 0, 4, 8, and 12. These vintage levels are cabled with only 16 pairs of wires from each card slot to the I/O panel. Some of the 25-pair I/O connectors are split between adjacent card slots.

Other vintage levels cable each card slot to the I/O panel using a unique, 24-pair connector on the I/O panel. In these vintage levels, the LEI can be installed in any available pair of card slots. However, because of the lower number of wire pairs cabled to the I/O panel in the lower vintage level, only certain card slots are available to the LEI.

See Table 37 for the vintage level information for the NT8D37 IPE modules

Table 37
Line-side E1 card—NT8D37 IPE Module vintage level port cabling

Vintage Level	Number of ports cabled to I/O panel
NT8D37BA	30 ports
NT8D37DE	16 ports
NT8D37EC	30 ports

Available and restricted card slots in the NT8D37 IPE Module

If you are installing the LEI into an NT8D37 IPE Module, the card slots available depend on what vintage level module you have.

Vintage levels cabling 30 ports:

For modules with vintage levels that cabled 30 ports to the I/O panel, the LEI can be installed in any pair of card slots 0-15.

Vintage levels cabling 16 ports:

For modules with vintage levels that cabled 16 ports to the I/O panel, you can install the LEI into the card slot pairs shown in the following card slots:

Available: Motherboard/Daughterboard
              0 and 1
              1 and 2
              4 and 5
              5 and 6
              8 and 9
              9 and 10
              12 and 13
              13 and 14

LEIs must not be installed into the following card slot pairs:

Restricted: Motherboard/Daughterboard
              2 and 3
              3 and 4
              6 and 7
              10 and 11
              11 and 12
              14 and 15

If you must install the LEI into one of the restricted card slot pairs, you can rewire your IPE module card slot to the I/O panel by installing an additional NT8D81 cable from the LEI motherboard slot to the I/O panel, and re-arranging the three backplane connectors for the affected card slots. This will permit the connection of the NT5D35AA or NT5D36AA Line-side E1 card carrier and maintenance external I/O cable at the IPE and CE/PE module I/O panel connector for card slots that are otherwise restricted.

Alternatively, all LEI connections can be made at the main distribution frame instead of connecting the NT5D35AA or NT5D36AA Line-side E1 card external I/O cable at the I/O panel. This eliminates these card slot restrictions.

Cabling the line-side E1 card (LEI)

After you have set your dip switches and installed the LEI into the selected card slots, you are ready to cable from the LEI to the LTU equipment, the MMI terminal or modem (optional), an external alarm (optional), and other LEIs for daisy chaining use of the MMI terminal (optional).

The LEI is cabled from its backplane connector through connections from the motherboard circuit card only to the input/output (I/O) panel on the rear of the IPE module. No cable connections are made from the daughterboard circuit card. The connections from the LEI to the I/O panel are made with the NT8D81AA Tip and Ring cables provided with the IPE module.

Cabling from the I/O panel with the NT5D35AA or NT5D36AA Line-Side E1 I/O cable

In a twisted-pair E1 installation, you will make the connection from the I/O panel to the E1 link and other external devices with the NT5D35AA Line-side E1 I/O cable. This cable consists of a 25-pair amphenol connector (P1) on one end which plugs into the I/O panel. The other end has four connectors: a DB15 male connector (P2), which plugs into the E1 line; a DB9 male connector (P3), which plugs into an external alarm system; a second DB9 male connector (P5), which connects to an MMI terminal or modem; and a DB9 female connector (P4), which connects to the next LEI's P4 connector for MMI daisy chaining.

In a coaxial E1 installation, you will make the connection from the I/O panel to the E1 link and other external devices through the NT5D36AA Line-side E1 I/O cable. This cable consists of a 25-pair amphenol connector (P1) on one end which plugs into the I/O panel. The other end has 4 connectors: a DB15 female connector (P2) with an adapter that breaks out Tx (transmit) and Rx (receive) connectors, which that plug into the E1 line; a DB9 male connector (P3), which plugs into an external alarm system; a second DB9 male connector (P5), which connects to an MMI terminal or modem; and a DB9 female connector (P4), which connects to the next LEI's P4 connector for MMI daisy chaining. The Tx marking on the adapter at P2 is the LEI output. The E1 data stream coming from the network into the LEI connects at the Rx coaxial connector.

Table 38 shows the pin assignments of the LEI backplane and I/O Panel.

Table 38
Line-side E1 card—LEI backplane and I/O panel pinouts

Backplane connector pin	I/O Panel connector pin	Signal
12A	1	E1 Tip, Receive data
12B	26	E1 Ring, Receive data
13A	2	E1 Tip, Transmit data
13B	27	E1 Ring, Transmit data
14A	3	Alarm out, normally open
14B	28	Alarm out, common
15A	4	Alarm out, normally closed
15B	29	No connection
16A	5	No connection
16B	30	Away from MMI terminal, receive data
17A	6	Away from MMI terminal, transmit data
17B	31	Toward MMI terminal, transmit data
18A	7	Toward MMI terminal, receive data
18B	32	Daisy chain control 2
19A	8	Daisy chain control 1
19B	33	Ground

Table 39 shows the pin assignments from the I/O panel relating to the pin assignments of the Line-Side E1 I/O cable.

Table 39
Line-side E1 card—Line-Side E1 I/O cable pinouts (Part 1 of 2)

I/O Panel Connector Pin	Lead Designations	LEI Connector Pin	LEI Cable Connector to External Equipment
1	E1 Tip Receive data	11	DB15 male to E1 (P2). LEI is CPE transmit and receive to network
26	E1 Ring Receive data	3	
2	E1 Tip Transmit data	1	
27	E1 Ring Transmit data	9	
3	Alarm out, common	1	
28	Alarm out (normally open)	2	DB9 male to external alarm (P3)
4	Alarm out (normally closed)	3	
7	Toward MMI terminal, receive data	2	
31	Toward MMI terminal, transmit data	3	DB9 male toward MMI (P5). Wired as DCE. Data is transmitted on pin 2 (RXD) and received on pin 3 (TXD)
33	Ground	5	
8	Control 1	7	
32	Control 2	9	

Table 39
Line-side E1 card—Line-Side E1 I/O cable pinouts (Part 2 of 2)

I/O Panel Connector Pin	Lead Designations	LEI Connector Pin	LEI Cable Connector to External Equipment
33	Ground	5	
8	Control 1	7	DB9 female away from MMI terminal (P4)
32	Control 2	9	
30	Away from MMI terminal, transmit data	3	
6	Away from MMI terminal, receive data	2	

E1 Connections

For twisted-pair installations, E1 signaling for all 30 channels is transmitted over P2 connector pins 1, 3, 9, and 11, as shown in Table 39 on page 149. Plug the DB 15 male connector labeled "P2" into the E1 link. E1 transmit and receive pairs must be turned over between the LEI and the CPE that is hardwired without carrier facilities. If the LEI is connected via E1 carrier facilities, the transmit and receive pairs must be wired straight through to the RJ48 at the Telco demarc, the LTU, or other E1 carrier equipment. The E1 CPE at the distant end will likewise have transmit and receive wired straight from the RJ48 demarc at the distant end of the carrier facility.

For 75 ohm coaxial installations, E1 signaling for all 30 channels is transmitted over P2 connector pins 1, 3, 9, and 11 though an adapter and out two coaxial connectors Tx (transmit) and Rx (receive). Tx is the LEI output, and Rx is the LEI input from the E1 stream. E1 transmit and receive pairs must be turned over between the LEI and the CPE that is hardwired without carrier facilities. If the LEI is connected via E1 carrier facilities, the transmit and receive pairs must be wired straight through to the RJ48 at the Telco demarc, the LTU, or other E1 carrier equipment. The E1 CPE at the far end will likewise have Tx and Rx wired straight from the RJ48 demarc at the far end of the carrier facility.

External Alarm Connections

P3 connector pins 1, 2 and 3 can be plugged into any external alarm-sensing hardware. Plug the DB9 male connector labeled "P3" into an external alarm. These connections are optional, and the functionality of the LEI is not affected if they are not made.

The MMI monitors the E1 link for specified performance criteria and reports on problems detected. One of the ways it can report information is through this external alarm connection. If connected, the LEI's microprocessor will activate the external alarm hardware if it detects certain E1 link problems it has classified as alarm levels 1 or 2. See "Man-Machine E1 maintenance interface software" on page 156, for a detailed description of alarm levels and configuration. If an alarm level 1 or 2 is detected by the MMI, the LEI will close the contact that is normally open, and will open the contact that is normally closed. The MMI command "Clear Alarm" will return the alarm contacts to their normal state.

MMI Connections

P5 connector pins 2, 3, 5, 7 and 9 are used to connect the LEI to the MMI terminal, connecting LEIs in a daisy chain for access to a shared MMI terminal. When you log into a LEI, "control 2" is asserted by that card, which informs all of the other cards not to talk on the bus, but rather to pass the data straight through. The pins labeled "control 1" are reserved for future use. As with the external alarm connections, MMI connections are optional. You can link up to 128 LEIs, located in up to 16 separate IPE shelves, to one MMI terminal using the daisy chain approach.

If you are installing only *one* LEI, cable from the DB9 male connector labeled "P5" (toward MMI terminal) to one of the COM ports on the back of any TTY, a PC running a terminal emulation program, or a modem. For installations of only one card, no connection is made to the DB9 female connector labeled "P4" (away from MMI terminal).

If you are installing *two or more* LEIs into your Meridian 1 system, you can daisy chain the MMI port connections together so that only one MMI terminal is required for up to 128 LEIs (as shown in Figure 30). Cards can be located in up to 15 separate IPE shelves. You can start with any card slot in your IPE shelf and connect to any other card slot; connected card slots do not need to be consecutive.

Follow this procedure for connecting two or more LEIs to the MMI terminal:

1   Cable the DB9 male connector labeled "P5" (toward MMI terminal) to one of the COM ports on the back of any TTY, a PC running a terminal emulation program, or a modem.

2   Make the connection from the first card to the second card by plugging the DB9 female connector labeled "P4" (away from MMI terminal) from the *first* card into the DB9 male connector of the second card labeled "P5" (toward MMI terminal).

3   Repeat step 2 for the remaining cards.

4   When you get to the last card in your daisy chain, make no connection from the DB9 female connector labeled "P4" (away from MMI terminal).

5   If two LEIs are too far apart to connect the "P4" and "P5" connectors connect them with an off-the-shelf DB9 female to DB9 male straight-through extension cable, available at any PC supply store.

Figure 30
Line-side E1 card—connecting two or more cards to the MMI
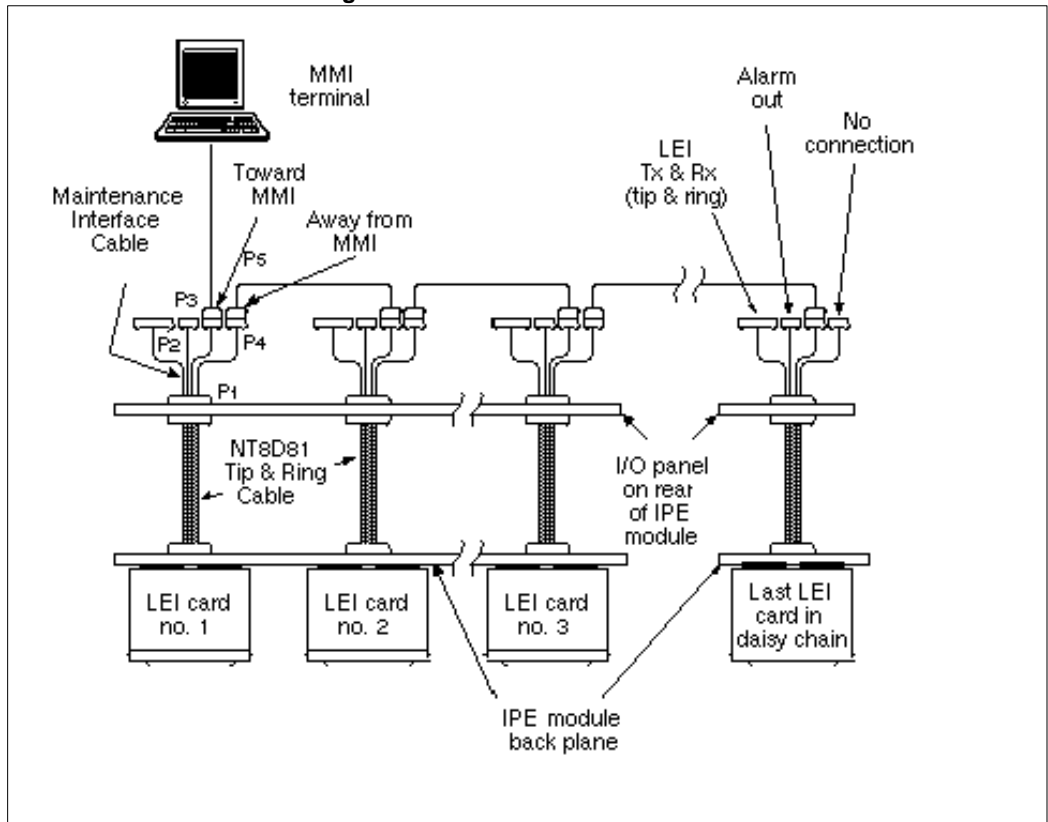
Terminal configuration

For the MMI terminal to be able to communicate to the LEI, the interface characteristics must be set to:

- speed - 1200 or 2400 bps

- character width - 7 bits

- parity bit - mark

- stop bits - one

- software handshake (XON/XOFF) off

Software Configuration

Although much of the architecture and many of the features of the Line-side E1 card (LEI) are different from the analog line card, the LEI has been designed to emulate an analog line card to the Meridian 1 software. Because of this, the LEI software configuration is performed the same as for two adjacent analog line cards.

All 30 E1 channels carried by the LEI are individually configured using the Analog (500/2500) Telephone Administration program (LD10). Use Table 39 on page 149 to determine the correct unit number and the *X11 Administration* (553-3001-311) for LD10 service-change instructions.

LEI circuitry routes 16 units (0-15) on the motherboard and 14 (0-13) units on the daughterboard to 30 E1 channels.   The motherboard circuit card is located in the left card slot, and the daughterboard circuit card is located in right card slot. For example, if you were installing the LEI into card slots 0 and 1, the motherboard would reside in card slot 0 and the daughterboard would reside in card slot 1. In order to configure the terminal equipment through the switch software, you will need to be able to cross-reference the E1 channel number to the corresponding card unit number. This mapping is shown in Table 40.

Table 40
Card unit number to E1 channel mapping (Part 1 of 2)

TN		E1 Channel Number
Motherboard	0	1
Motherboard	1	2
Motherboard	2	3
Motherboard	3	4
Motherboard	4	5
Motherboard	5	6
Motherboard	6	7
Motherboard	7	8
Motherboard	8	9

Table 40
Card unit number to E1 channel mapping (Part 2 of 2)

TN		E1 Channel Number
Motherboard	9	10
Motherboard	10	11
Motherboard	11	12
Motherboard	12	13
Motherboard	13	14
Motherboard	14	15
Motherboard	15	17
Daughterboard	0	18
Daughterboard	1	19
Daughterboard	2	20
Daughterboard	3	21
Daughterboard	4	22
Daughterboard	5	23
Daughterboard	6	24
Daughterboard	7	25
Daughterboard	8	26
Daughterboard	9	27
Daughterboard	10	28
Daughterboard	11	29
Daughterboard	12	30
Daughterboard	13	31

Disconnect supervision

The LEI supports distant-end disconnect supervision by opening the tip side toward the terminal equipment upon the Meridian 1 system's detecting a disconnect signal from the distant-end on an established call. The Supervised Analog Line feature (SAL) must be configured in overlay 10 for each LEI port. At the prompt FTR respond OSP <CR>, and against FTR respond ISP <CR>. The LEI treats OSP and ISP for both originating and terminating calls as hook flash disconnect supervision, also known as cut-off disconnect. Originating calls are outgoing from the terminal equipment. Terminating calls are incoming to the terminal equipment. The LEI does not support battery reversal answer and disconnect supervision on originating calls.

After you have configured the software, you are ready to power-up the card and verify the self-test results. The **STATUS** LED on the faceplate indicates whether or not the LEI has successfully passed its self test, and is, therefore, functional. When the card is installed, this LED remains lit for two to five seconds as the self-test runs. If the self-test completes successfully, the LED flashes three times and remains lit until the card is configured and enabled in software, then the LED goes out. The LED will go out if either the motherboard or daughterboard is enabled by the software. If the LED does not follow the pattern described or operates in any other manner (such as continually flashing or remaining weakly lit), the card should be replaced.

Man-Machine E1 maintenance interface software

Description

The Man-Machine Interface (MMI) provides E1-link diagnostics and historical information for the LEI system. See "Installation and Configuration" on page 137 for instructions on how to install the cabling and configure the terminal for the MMI. The following sections will describe the options available via the LEI's MMI terminal and will explain how to set-up, configure, and use the MMI.

The MMI provides the following maintenance features:

- configurable alarm parameters
- E1-link problem indicator
- current and historical E1-link performance reports

- E1 verification and fault isolation testing

- configuration of A\B bits (North American Standard, Australian P2, or customized settings are available)

Alarms

The MMI may be used to activate alarms for the following E1-link conditions: excessive bit-error rate, frame-slip errors, out-of-frame, loss-of-signal, and blue alarm. Pre-set thresholds and error durations trip LEI alarm notifications. For descriptions of each of these E1-link alarm conditions, see "Performance counters and reporting" on page 176. For instructions on how to set alarm parameters, see "Set Alarm" on page 162. For information on accessing alarm reporting, see "Display Alarms" on page 175, "Display Status" on page 175 and "Display Performance" on page 177.

Two levels of alarm severity exist for bit errors. Different threshold and duration settings must be established for each level. When the first level of severity is reached (alarm level 1), the MMI will cause the external alarm hardware to activate, the RED ALARM LED on the faceplate will be lit, an alarm message will be displayed on the MMI terminal, and an entry will be created in the alarm log and printed to the MMI port. When the second level of severity is reached (alarm level 2), the MMI will perform all functions performed at alarm level 1, and, in addition, the LEI will enter line-conditioning mode. In this mode, the LEI will send either "on-hook" or "off-hook" signals for all 30 ports to the Meridian 1, depending on how the dip switch for line processing is set (dip switch 2, position 6). See Table 36 on page 144.

If the MMI detects E1-link failures for any of the other conditions monitored (out-of-frame, excess frame slips, loss-of-signal, and blue alarm condition), the LEI automatically performs all alarm level 2 functions. The MMI also sends a yellow alarm to the distant end LTU. Alarms may be set to self-clear when the alarm condition is no longer detected. See "Set Clearing" on page 166.

All alarms activated produce a record in the alarm log. The alarm log maintains records for the most recent 100 alarms, and can be displayed, printed, and cleared. The alarm log displays or prints the alarms in descending chronological order, beginning with the most recent alarm. Notifications in the alarm log include the date and time of the alarm's occurrence.

E1 Performance Counters and Reports

The MMI maintains performance error counters for the following E1
conditions: errored seconds, bursty seconds, unavailable seconds, framer-slip
seconds, and loss-of-frame seconds. The MMI retains E1 performance
statistics for the current hour, and for each hour for the previous 24. For
descriptions of each of these performance error counters and instructions on
how to create a report of them and clear them, see "Performance counters and
reporting" on page 176.

E1 Verification and Fault Isolation Testing

The MMI allows you to perform various tests and will either verify that the
E1 is working adequately, or help you to isolate a problem to the LEI, the E1
link, or the CPE. For descriptions of all of these tests and instructions on how
to run them, see "Testing" on page 179.

Login and Password

The MMI can be accessed through any TTY, PC running a terminal emulation
program, or modem. After installing the MMI terminal and card cables, you
are ready to configure the MMI. For single-card installations, it is accessed
by entering **L<CR>** to login. For multiple-card installations connected in a
daisy chain, it is accessed by entering **L <address>,** where the four-digit
address is a combination of the two-digit address of the IPE shelf as set by dip
switch positions on the card Switch 1, positions 3-6, see Table 37, "Line-side
E1 card—NT8D37 IPE Module vintage level port cabling," on page 145, plus
the address of the card slot the motherboard occupies. For example, to login
to a card located in shelf 13, card slot 4, you would type **L 13 4 <CR>**. Spaces
are inserted between the login command (L), the shelf address, and the card
slot address.

The MMI will now prompt you for a password. The password is
"**LEILINK**," and it must be typed in all capital letters.

After you have logged in, the prompt will look like this:

LEI::> (for single-card installations)

LEI::ss cc> (for multi-card installations, where ss represents the shelf
address and cc represents the card slot address.)

Basic commands

You can now execute MMI commands. The seven basic commands are:

- Help

- Alarm

- Clear

- Display

- Set

- Test

- Quit

If you type **? <CR>,** the MMI will list these commands along with an explanation of their usage. A screen similar to Figure 31 will appear (the help screen will also appear by typing **H<CR>,** or **HELP<CR>**).

Figure 31
HELP (H, ?) screen

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ALARM   USAGE: Alarm [Enable | Disable]
CLEAR   USAGE: Clear [Alarm] | [Error counter] [Log]
DISPLAY USAGE: Display [Alarm | Status | Perform | History] [Pause]
HELP    USAGE: Help | ?
SET     USAGE: Set[Time | Date | Alarm | Clearing | Name Memory | Mode | Simple]
TEST    USAGE: Test [Carrier All]
QUIT    USAGE: Quit

Notation Used:
CAPS - Required Letters       [ ] - Optional | - Either/Or
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Each of these commands can be executed by entering the first letter of the command or by entering the entire command. Commands with more than one word are entered by entering the first letter of the first word, a space, and the first letter of the second word or by entering the entire command. Table 41 shows all possible MMI commands in alphabetical order. These commands are also described by subject later in this section.

Table 41
MMI commands and command sets (Part 1 of 2)

Command	Description
A D	**Alarm Disable.** Disables all alarms.
A E	**Alarm Enable**. Enables all alarms.
C A	**Clear Alarm.** Clears all alarms, terminates time processing, and resets the E1 bit error rate and frame slip counters.
C A L	**Clear Alarm Log**. Clears alarm log.
C E	**Clear Error**. Clears the E1 error counter.
D A(P)	**Display Alarms**. Displays the alarm log, which is a list of the 100 most recent alarms with time and date stamps. (Momentarily stop the scrolling display by typing P. Continue scrolling by typing any other key.)
D C(P)	**Display Configuration**. Displays the configuration settings for your LEI(s), single- or multiple-card system. Display includes each card's serial number, MMI firmware version, date and time, alarm diable/enable setting, self-clearing diable/enable setting, values entered through the Set Configuration command, and dip switch settings.(Momentarily stop the scrolling display by typing P. Continue scrolling by typing any other key.)
D H(P)	**Display History**. Displays performance counters for the past 24 hours. (Momentarily stop the scrolling display by typing P. Continue scrolling by typing any other key.)
D P	**Display Performance**. Displays performance counters for the current hour.
D S(P)	**Display Status**. Displays carrier status, including alarm state and, if active, alarm level. (Momentarily stop the scrolling display by typing P. Continue scrolling by typing any other key.)
H or ?	**Help**. Displays the Help screen.

Table 41
MMI commands and command sets (Part 2 of 2)

Command	Description
L	**Login**. Logs into the MMI terminal in a single-LEI system.
Lxx	**Login**. Logs into the MMI terminal in a daisy-chained system, where *xx* represents the address of the card you wish to configure.
Q	**Quit**. Logs out of the MMI terminal.
	Note: If yours is a daisy-chained system, be certain to log out when finished with configuration. In a daisy-chained system, only one card may occupy the bus at a given time and all other LEIs will be unable to notify the MMI of alarms until you have logged-out.
S A	**Set Alarm**. Sets alarm parameters, such as the allowable bit-errors per second, threshold, and alarm duration.
S C	**Set Clearing**. Sets the alarm self-clearing function, i.e. "enable" or "disable."
S D	**Set Date**. Sets the date or verifies the current date.
S M	**Set Mode**. Sets the A/B Bits mode.
S S	**Set Simple**. Sets whether or not the LEI waits for the terminal equipment to return an idle-state message before returning the channel to idle at call disconnect from the distant end.
S T	**Set Time**. Sets the time or verifies current time.
T	**Test**. Initiates the E1 carrier test function. To terminate a test in-process, enter the STOP TEST command at any time.

Configuring parameters

The MMI has been designed with default settings so that no configuration is necessary. However, you may want to reconfigure it based on your own call environment.

Set Time

Before you begin to configure your MMI, login to the system and verify the current time. Do this by entering the **Set Time (S T)** command. The MMI then displays the time it has registered. Enter a new time or hit **Enter** to leave it unchanged. The time is entered in the "hh:mm:ss," 24-hour, or military, format.

Set Date

Also, verify the current date. Do this by entering the **Set Date (S D)** command. The MMI then displays the date it has registered. Enter a new date or hit **Enter** to leave it unchanged. The date is entered in the "mm/dd/yy" format.

Set Alarm

The **Set Alarm (S A)** command establishes the parameters by which an alarm is activated and the duration of the alarm after it is activated. There are three alarm levels as described below:

- **Alarm Level 0 (AL0)** consists of activity with an error threshold below the AL1 setting, which is deemed to be a satisfactory condition and therefore no alarm will be activated.

- **Alarm Level 1 (AL1)** consists of activity with an error threshold above the AL1 setting but below the AL2 setting that is deemed to be of minor importance. In this situation, the external alarm hardware will be activated by closing the normally open contact, the RED ALARM LED on the faceplate will light, and an alarm message will be created in the alarm log and the MMI terminal.

- **Alarm Level 2 (AL2)** consists of activity with an error threshold above the AL2 setting which is deemed to be of major importance. In this situation, the external alarm hardware will be activated by closing the normally open contact, the RED ALARM LED on the faceplate will light, an alarm message will be created in the alarm log and the MMI terminal, the Line-side E1 card will enter line-conditioning mode, and a yellow alarm message will be sent to the CPE/LTU. Line processing will send the Meridian 1 either all "on-hook" or all "off-hook" signals, depending on the dip switch setting of the card. See Table 36, "Line-side E1 card—E1 Switch 2 (S2) dip switch settings," on page 144.

When you select the **Set Alarm** command, you will be prompted to set the threshold level and duration for alarm levels 1 and 2.

The E1 link processes at a rate of approximately 2.0 mb/s. The threshold value indicates the ratio of the total number of bits that must be detected as being in error per second before the LEI activates an alarm. It can be set between 3 and 9 and can be different for each alarm level. Any other value entered will cause the MMI to display a "Parameter Invalid" message. The digit entered as the threshold value is a number representing a negative power of 10 as shown in Table 42.

Note: The error-rate threshold for a level 2 alarm must be greater (a smaller power of 10) than for a level 1 alarm. Remember that the numbers being represented are negative numbers. Since 3 represents -3, and 4 represents -4, 4 represents a smaller number than 3 does.

Table 42
E1 bit error rate threshold settings

Alarm threshold bit errors per second in power of 10	Threshold to set alarm	Allowable Duration Periods
10^{-3}	2,000/ second	1-21 seconds
10^{-4}	200/second	1-218 seconds
10^{-5}	20/second	1-2148 seconds
10^{-6}	2.0/second	1-3600 seconds
10^{-7}	2.0/10 seconds	10-3600 seconds
10^{-8}	2.0/100 seconds	100-3600 seconds
10^{-9}	2.0/1000 seconds	1000-3600 seconds

The duration value is set in seconds and can be set from 1 to 3,600 seconds (1 hour). This duration value indicates how long the alarm condition must last before an alarm will be declared. Low bit-error rates (10^7 through 10^9) are restricted to longer durations since it takes more than one second to detect an alarm condition above 10^6. Higher bit-error rates are restricted to shorter durations because the MMI error counter fills at 65,000 errors.

The alarm indications (LEDs and external alarm contacts) will clear automatically after the specified period, or duration, has expired if the **Set Clearing (S C)** "Enable Self Clearing" option has been set. Otherwise, the alarm will continue until the command **Clear Alarm (C A)** has been entered. When an alarm is cleared, all activity caused by the alarm indications will be cleared: the external alarm hardware will be deactivated (the contact normally open will be reopened), the LED will go out, an entry will be made in the alarm log of the date and time the alarm was cleared, and carrier-fail line supervision will cease (for alarm level 2 only). If self-clearing alarm indications have been disabled, carrier-fail line supervision will terminate when the alarm condition has ceased, but the external alarm contact and faceplate LED will remain active until the alarm is cleared.

A heavy bit-error rate can cause 200 bit errors to occur much more quickly than100 seconds. This will cause the alarm to be declared sooner.

An alarm condition will not be automatically cleared until the system no longer detects the respective bit error threshold during the corresponding duration period. For example, if AL1 threshold of 6 (representing 10-6) is specified, and a duration period of 100 seconds is specified, an alarm will be activated if more than 200 bit errors occur in any 100 second period. As soon as the alarm is activated, the bit counter will be reset to 0. If the next 100 seconds pass, and less than 200 bit errors are detected, then the alarm will clear after the alarm's duration period. However, if more than 200 bit errors are detected in the next 100 seconds, the alarm condition will continue for the designated time period. The alarm will finally clear when the alarm condition is no longer detected for the designated period either by self-clearing (if this function is enabled), or when the Clear Alarm (C A) command is entered.

In addition to bit errors, the Set Alarm function sets parameters for detecting frame-slip errors by establishing a threshold necessary to activate an alarm. If the threshold value is exceeded, a level 2 alarm will be activated. The frame slip threshold can be specified from 1 to 255 frame slips per time period. The duration time period can be specified from 1 to 24 hours.

When entering the `Set Alarm (S A)` command, the MMI will scroll through the previously described series of alarm options. These options will be displayed along with their current value, at which point you can enter a new value or enter a **<CR>** to retain the current value. Table 43 outlines the options available in the `Set Alarm (S A)` function.

Table 43
Set alarm options

Option	Description
AL1 Threshold	Sets the allowable bit errors per second before alarm level 1 is activated. Factory default is 6.
AL1 Duration	Sets the duration in seconds (from 1 to 3,600 seconds) that alarm level 1 is activated. Factory default is 10 seconds.
AL2 Threshold	Sets the allowable bit errors per second (from 3 to 9) before alarm level 2 is activated. Factory default is 10^{-5}.
AL2 Duration	Sets the duration in seconds (from 1 to 3,600 seconds) that alarm level 2 is activated. Factory default is 10 seconds.
Frame Slip Threshold	Sets the allowable frame slips per time period (from 1 to 255) before alarm level 2 is activated. Factory default is 5.
Frame Slip Duration	Sets the duration in hours (from 1 to 24) that the frame slips are counted. After this time period, the counter is reset to 0. Factory default is 2 hours.

Note: If the duration period set is too long, the Line-side E1 card will be slow to return to service automatically even when the carrier is no longer experiencing errors. The **CLEAR ALARM (C A)** command will have to be entered manually to restore service promptly. To avoid this, an alarm's duration period should normally be set to 10 seconds.

Set Clearing

The **SET CLEARING (S C)** command allows you to enable or disable self-clearing of alarms by responding to the question: **Enable Self Clearing? (YES or NO)**. If **YES** is chosen (the factory default setting), the system will automatically clear (reset) alarms after the alarm condition is no longer detected. Choosing the **NO** option will cause the system to continue the alarm condition until the **Clear Alarm (C A)** command is entered. Line processing and yellow alarm indication to the CPE will terminate as soon as the alarm condition clears, even if self-clearing is disabled.

Set Simple

The **SET SIMPLE** command controls call tear-down signaling when the distant end disconnects from a call. Release 2 of the AB vintage introduces this feature.

When the distant end terminates a call, Release 1 of LEI's AB vintage sends a disconnect message to the terminal equipment and waits for the terminal equipment to go idle before going idle itself. A **NO** response (see Figure 32) to the **S S** command configures Release 2 (and above) boards to operate in this way.

Release 2 of AB vintage LEIs gives the administrator the option of using the signaling described above, or of configuring the LEI to take its channel idle immediately after sending the call-disconnect message. A **YES** response (see Figure 33) to the **S S** command, the default configuration for Release 2 (and above) boards, configures the LEI to operate in this way.

Figure 32
Set Simple (S S) no screen

```
LEI::>S S
Enable Simplified Call Tear Down? (YES or NO)N
Simplified Call Tear Down Disabled.
LEI::>
```

Figure 33
Set Simple (S S) yes screen

```
LEI::>S S
Enable Simplified Call Tear Down? (YES or NO)Y
Simplified Call Tear Down Enabled.
LEI::>
```

Set Mode

At the **SET MODE (S M)** command, the MMI will prompt the user with the current signaling mode, either Default (Australian P2) or Table (of bit values.) Entering a **<CR>** will accept the current value, (see Figure 34,) or the user can type in 1 to revert to the Default, or 2 to edit the table entries. If the user selects default, then the A/B Bit values will be reset to the Default values.

Figure 34
Set Mode (S M): <CR> screen

```
LEI:>S M
1) Default
2) Table
Hit <CR> to accept current value or type in a new one.
Current Mode : 1              New Mode :
Signaling Bits set to Default.

LEI:>
```

Responding to the MMI's **Set Mode** prompt with "1" will also result in the line, "**Signaling Bits set to Default,**" much as in Figure 34.

However, responding to this prompt with **2** selects "Table" and allows the user to set the A/B Bit Mode to whatever configuration the user chooses. If "Table" is selected, the individual table values will be prompted for, see Figures 35 and 36. After each value is displayed the user can enter **<CR>** to accept the current value, enter just the AB bits (which will be copied to the CD bits), enter a complete ABCD bit pattern, or, in the case of optional states, a 'N' or 'n' can be entered to indicate that the state is not needed. Note that in D4 Framing for E1, there are no CD bits so they will be ignored. The user will be prompted for ABCD bit values for the following states when the table mode is selected. Send and Receive refer to the LEI sending ABCD bits to the CPE (Customer Provided Equipment) or receiving ABCD bits from the CPE. Incoming and Outgoing refer to E1 digital link from the CPE point of view. Incoming is thus an external call arriving over the digital link and accepted by the CPE. Outgoing is a call originated by the CPE over the digital link. Configuring the A/B Bit Signaling table is illustrated in Figures 35 and 36.

Figure 35
Set Mode (S M): Table screen (Part One)

```
LEI:>S M
1) Default
2) Table
Hit <CR> to accept current value or type in a new one.
Current Mode : 1          New Mode : 2
Signaling Bits set to Table.

Incoming and outgoing calls are in reference to the CPE.
All ABCD bits are with respect to SENDing from LEI/M1 to CPE
or RECEIVing from CPE to LEI/M1.
Please enter new ABCD bits or hit <CR> to accept.  You may
enter 2 or 4 values.  If only 2 values are entered, the A and
B bits will be copied to the C and D bits.

IDLE SEND:  Current: 0000  New: 0101
IDLE SEND bits changed to: 0101

IDLE RECEIVE:  Current: 0101  New:
IDLE RECEIVE bits unchanged.

BLOCKING RECEIVE enabled? (Y/N): N
BLOCKING RECEIVE is disabled.

Incoming call RINGER-ON SEND:  Current: 0000  New:
Incoming call RINGER-ON SEND bits not changed.

Incoming call RINGER-OFF SEND:  Current: 0101  New: 0101
Incoming call RINGER-OFF SEND bits not changed.

Incoming call OFFHOOK RECEIVE:  Current: 1111  New: 11
Incoming call OFFHOOK RECEIVE bits not changed.

Incoming call CONNECTED SEND:  Current: 0101  New:
Incoming call CONNECTED SEND bits not changed.

Incoming call (Far End) DISCONNECT SEND:  Current: 1111  New:
Incoming call (Far End) DISCONNECT SEND bits not changed.

Incoming call (CPE) DISCONNECT RECEIVE:  Current: 0101  New:
Incoming call (CPE) DISCONNECT RECEIVE not changed.
```

Figure 36
Set Mode (S M): Table screen (Part Two)

```
Outgoing call SEIZE RECEIVE:  Current: 0001  New: 111
Error: Note enough values specified.  Enter either 2 or 4
values.
Outgoing call SEIZE RECEIVE:  Current: 0001  New: 11
Outgoing call SEIZE RECEIVE bits changed to: 1111

Outgoing call SEIZE ACK SEND enabled? (Y/N): N
Outgoing call SEIZE ACK SEND is disabled.

Outgoing call DIAL MAKE RECEIVE:  Current: 1111  New:
Outgoing call DIAL MAKE RECEIVE bits not changed.

Outgoing call DIAL BREAK RECEIVE:  Current: 1010  New:
Outgoing call DIAL BREAK RECEIVE bits not changed.

Outgoing call ANSWERED SEND:  Current: 0101  New:
Outgoing call ANSWERED SEND bits not changed.

Outgoing call (CPE) DISCONNECT RECEIVE:  Current: 0101  New:
Outgoing call (CPE) DISCONNECT RECEIVE bits not changed.

Outgoing call (Far End) DISCONNECT SEND:  Current: 1111  New:
Outgoing call (Far End) DISCONNECT SEND bits not changed.

Disconnect Time (0 to 4000 ms): 1000
Disconnect Time not changed.

Intercall Time (0 to 2000 ms): 800
Intercall Time not changed.

LEI:>
```

Idle SEND - This is the value that the LEI will send (acting as the CO or PSTN) when the circuit is in the idle state. This value is required.

Idle RECEIVE - This is the value that the LEI expects to see from the CPE when it is in the idle state. This value is required.

Blocking RECEIVE - This is the value that the LEI expects to see from the CPE when the customer equipment is in the blocking or fault state and is unable to accept new calls. This value can be set to N if this state is not needed. If this value is not set to N, then dip switch #2 position 6 will determine whether off-hook or on-hook is sent to the M1/SL100 when this state is entered. See Table 36 on page 144.

Incoming call Ringer ON SEND - This is the value that the LEI will send to indicate that a call is incoming to the CPE and that ringing voltage should be applied at the CPE. This value is required.

Incoming call Ringer OFF SEND - This is the value that the LEI will send to indicate that a call is incoming to the CPE and that the ring cycle is in the off portion of the cadence. This value is required.

Incoming call Offhook RECEIVE - This is the value that the LEI expects to see from the CPE when the customer equipment has gone to an off hook state which indicates that the incoming call has been answered. This value is required.

Incoming call CONNECTED SEND - This is the value that the LEI will send to the CPE to indicate that it has seen and recognized the off hook indication sent by the CPE. The call is considered fully connected at this point. This value is required.

Incoming call (Distant End) DISCONNECT SEND - This is the value that the LEI will send to indicate that the distant end has released the call This value is required.

Incoming call (CPE) DISCONNECT RECEIVE - This is the value that the LEI expects to see from the CPE when the customer equipment wishes to end the call. This value is required.

Outgoing call SEIZE RECEIVE - This is the value that the LEI will expect to see when the CPE goes to an off hook condition and wishes to initiate a call. This value is required.

Outgoing call SEIZE ACK SEND - This is the value that the LEI will send to indicate that the seized condition has been noted and the M-1 is ready for dial digits. This value can be set to N if it is not required such as in a loop start case.

Outgoing call DIAL MAKE RECEIVE - This is the value that the LEI expects to see from the CPE during the make part of the digit. This value is required.

Outgoing call DIAL BREAK RECEIVE - This is the value that the LEI expects to see from the CPE during the break part of the digit. This value is required.

Outgoing call ANSWERED SEND - This is the value that the LEI will send to indicate that the distant end has answered the call. This value is required.

Outgoing call (CPE) DISCONNECT RECEIVE - This is the value that the LEI expects to see from the CPE when the customer equipment wishes to end the call. This value is required.

Outgoing call (Distant End) DISCONNECT SEND - This is the value that the LEI will send to indicate that the distant end has released the call This value is required.

Disconnect Time - This is the number of milliseconds that the LEI will send the disconnect signal to the CPE before reverting to the idle state. If the CPE reverts to a connected state during this time, it will be ignored. This value is only used when disconnect supervision is available and is needed for the signaling type in use. It is used when the distant end initiates the disconnect. For loop start cases, this value is not used.

Intercall (release guard) Time - This is the number of milliseconds that the LEI will maintain the idle signal to the CPE before initiating a new call. The CPE should not initiate a new call during this time, if it does so, the off-hook indication will be ignored until the release guard time has expired. This value defaults to 0 which relies on the M-1 to observe the proper guard time. If a non-zero value is entered, off-hook from the CPE and Ringer-On commands from the M1/SL100 will be ignored until this timer has expired.

Display Configuration (D C)

The `Display Configuration (D C)` command displays the various configuration settings established for the LEI. Entering this command will cause a screen similar to Figure 37 to appear:

Figure 37
Display Configuration (D C) screen

```
LEI  S/N 1103  Software Version 1.01   3/03/95  1:50
Alarms Enabled:  YES    Self Clearing Enabled:  YES
Alarm Level 1 threshold value:  E-7     Threshold duration (in
seconds):  10
Alarm Level 2 threshold value:  E-5     Threshold duration (in
seconds):  1
Frame slips alarm level threshold:  5   Threshold duration (in hours)
2
Current dip switch S1 settings (S1..S8)  On Off Off On Off Off Off On
Current dip switch S2 settings (S1..S8)  On Off On Off Off Off On Off
```

Alarm operation and reporting

The MMI monitors the E1 link according to parameters established through the Set Alarm command for the following conditions:

- Excessive bit error rate

- Frame slip errors

- Out of frame condition

- Loss of signal condition

- Blue alarm (AIS) condition

Descriptions of the excessive bit error rate and frame slip errors conditions can be found in "Configuring parameters" on page 161. Bit errors may activate either a level 1 or level 2 alarm. The remaining conditions, when detected, will always cause the system to activate a level 2 alarm.

An out-of-frame condition will be declared if 3 consecutive frame bits are in error. If this condition occurs, the hardware will immediately attempt to reframe. During the reframe time, the E1 link will be declared out-of-frame, and silence will be sent on all receive timeslots.

A loss of signal condition is declared if a full frame (255 bits) of consecutive zeros have been detected at the receive inputs. If this condition occurs, the E1 link will automatically attempt to resynchronize with the distant end. If this condition occurs for more than two seconds, a level 2 alarm will be declared, and silence will be sent on all receive timeslots. The alarm will be cleared if, after two seconds, neither a loss of signal, out-of-frame condition, nor blue alarm condition occurs.

If a repeating device loses signal, it will immediately begin sending an unframed signal of all ones to the distant end to indicate an alarm condition. This condition is called a blue alarm, or an alarm indication signal (AIS). If an AIS is detected for more than two seconds, a level 2 alarm will be declared, and silence will be sent on all receive timeslots. The alarm will be cleared if, after two seconds, neither a loss of signal, out-of-frame condition, nor blue alarm condition occurs.

Alarm Disable

The **Alarm Disable (A D)** command disables the external alarm contacts. When this command is typed in, the MMI will display the message **Alarms Disabled** and the MAINT LED will light. In this mode, no yellow alarms are sent and the LEI will not enter line processing mode. Alarm messages will still be to be sent on the MMI terminal and the LED will continue to indicate alarm conditions.

Alarm Enable

The **Alarm Enable (A E)** command does the reverse of the **Alarm Disable (A D)** command. It enables the external alarm contacts. When this command is typed in, the MMI will display the message **Alarms Enabled**. In this mode, yellow alarms can be sent and the LEI can enter line processing mode.

Clear Alarm

The **Clear Alarm (C A)** command will clear all activity initiated by an alarm: the external alarm hardware will be deactivated (the contact normally open will be reopened), the LED will go out, an entry will be made in the alarm log of the date and time the alarm was cleared, and line processing will cease (for alarm level 2 only). When this command is typed in, MMI will display the message **Alarm acknowledged**. If the alarm condition still exists, an alarm will be declared again.

Display Alarms

A detailed report of the most recent 100 alarms with time and date stamps can be displayed by entering the **Display Alarms (D A)** command into the MMI, which will cause a screen similar to Figure 38 to appear.

Figure 38
Display Alarm (D A) screen

```
Alarm Log

 2/03/99  1:48  Yellow alarm on E1 carrier
 2/03/99  2:33  E1 carrier level 1 alarm
 2/03/99  3:47  E1 carrier level 2 alarm
 2/03/99  4:43  E1 carrier performance within thresholds
 2/03/99 15:01 Log Cleared
```

The Pause command can be used to display a full screen at a time, by entering D A P. If there is more than one screen in the log, the MMI will scroll the log until the screen is full and will stop. When you are ready to see the next screen, simply press any key. The display will show one more screen and stop, again. This will continue until the entire log has been displayed.

Clear Alarm Log

You can clear all entries in the alarm log by typing in the **Clear Alarm Log (C A L)** command.

Display Status

The **Display Status (D S)** command displays the current alarm condition of the E1 link as well as the on-hook or off-hook status of each of the 30 ports of the LEI. Entering this command will cause a screen similar to Figure 39 to appear.

The Pause command can be used to display a full screen at a time, by entering D S P. If there is more than one screen, the MMI will scroll until the screen is full and will stop. When you are ready to see the next screen, simply press any key. The display will show one more screen and stop, again. This will continue until the entire E1 link has been reported on.

Figure 39
Display Status (D S) screen

```
LEI  S/N   Software Version 1.01   3/03/95  1:50
In alarm state:  NO
E1 link at alarm level 0
Port 0 off hook, Port 1 on hook, Port 2 on hook, Port 3 on hook,
Port 4 on hook, Port 5 on hook, Port 6 off hook, Port 7 off hook,
Port 8 off hook, Port 9 on hook, Port 10 on hook, Port 11 on hook,
Port 12 off hook, Port 13 on hook, Port 14 on hook, Port 15 on hook,
Port 16 on hook, Port 17 on hook, Port 18 off hook, Port 19 off hook,
Port 20 off hook, Port 21 on hook, Port 22 on hook, Port 23 on hook
Port 21 off hook, Port 22 on hook, Port 23 on hook, Port 24 on hook,
Port 25 on hook, Port 26 on hook, Port 27 off hook, Port 28 off hook,
Port 29 off hook
```

Performance counters and reporting

The MMI monitors the performance of the E1 link according to several performance criteria including errored, bursty, unavailable, loss-of-frame and frame-slip seconds. It registers the performance of these criteria by reading their status every second and counting their results. These counts are accumulated for an hour, at which time they are reset to 0. Previous hour count results are maintained for each of the previous 24 hours.

The LEI counts CRC-4 errors when CRC-4 is enabled and Bipolar Violations (BPV) when CRC-4 is disabled. The performance criteria for which these counts are maintained as follows:

- Errored seconds are seconds in which one or more CRC-4 / BPV errors, or one or more out-of-frame errors in one second.

- Bursty seconds are seconds in which more than one and less than 320 CRC-4 / BPV errors in a second.

- Severely errored seconds are seconds in which more than 320 CRC-4 / BPV errors, or one or more out-of-frames in a second.

- Unavailable seconds are seconds in which unavailable state starts with 10 consecutive severely errored seconds and ends with 10 consecutive non-severely errored seconds (excluding the final 10 non-severely errored seconds).

- Loss-of-frame seconds are seconds in which loss-of-frame or loss-of-signal conditions have existed for three consecutive seconds.

- Frame slip seconds are seconds in which one or more frame slips occur.

The MMI also maintains an overall error counter which is the sum of all errors counted for the performance criteria listed above. The error counter can only be cleared by entering the **Clear Error (C E)** command. It will stop counting at 65,000. The error counter provides an easy method to determine if an alarm condition has been corrected. Simply clear the error counter, wait a few minutes, and display performance to see if any errors have occurred since the counter was cleared.

The MMI display reports on these performance counters through the **Display Performance (D P)** or the **Display History (D H)** commands.

Display Performance

Entering the **Display Performance (D P)** command will display performance counters for the past hour. A screen similar to Figure 40 will appear:

Figure 40
Display Performance (D P) screen

```
                        LEI E1 Interface Performance Log
                                3/03/95  1:37 PM
          Data for the past 37 Minutes
          Errored     Bursty    Unavailable   Loss Frame   Frame Slip   Error
          Seconds     Seconds   Seconds       Seconds      Seconds      Counter
           2263          0        2263          2263          352         321
```

Each column, except the error counter, indicates the number of errors in the current hour and is reset to zero every hour on the hour. Just before the performance counters are reset to zero, the values are put into the history log.

The error counter indicates the number of errors since the error counter was cleared.

The Pause command can be used to display a full screen at a time, by entering D P P. If there is more than one screen to be displayed, the MMI will scroll the until the screen is full and will stop. When you are ready to see the next screen, simply press any key. The display will show one more screen and stop, again. This will continue until the entire display has been shown.

Display History

Entering the **Display History (D H)** command will display performance counters for each hour of the past 24 in reverse chronological order, beginning with the last full hour. A screen similar to Figure 41 will appear.

The Pause command works the same for Display History as it does for the other display commands. Simply enter **D H P** to see a report on the performance counters, one screen at a time.

Figure 41
Display History (D H) screen

LEI E1 Interface History Performance Log
1/03/99 8:37 PM

Hour Ending	Errored Seconds	Bursty Seconds	Unavailable Seconds	Loss Frame Seconds	Frame Slip Seconds	Error Count
20:00	139	0	129	139	23	162
19:00	0	0	0	0	0	0
18:00	0	0	0	0	0	0
17:00	0	0	0	0	0	0
16:00	0	0	0	0	0	0

As with all **Display** commands, the Pause command can be used to display a full screen of the history report at a time, by entering D H P.

Clear Error

You can reset the error counter to zero by entering the Clear Error (C E) command. The error counter provides a convenient way to determine if the E1 link is performing without errors since it can be cleared and examined at any time.

Testing

The **Test Carrier (T)** command allows you to run tests on the LEI, the E1 link, or the CPE device. The three tests are designed to provide you with the capability to isolate faulty conditions to any one of these three sources. See Table 44 on page 180 for additional information on these three test types. After entering the **T** command, you will be prompted to enter which of these three tests you wish to initiate. The prompt will appear similar to Figure 42:

Figure 42
Test Carrier (T) screen

```
Test 1:  Local Loopback Test
Test 2:  External Loopback Test
Test 3:  Network Loopback Test
(1,2,3 or S to cancel):
```

Tests can be performed once, for one through 98 minutes, or continuously (selected by entering 99 minutes) until a **Stop Test** command is entered. Tests will continue for the duration specified even if a failure occurs, and will terminate at the end of the time period or when a **Stop Test** command is issued. Only this command will stop a test with a duration selection of 99, however the **STOP** command can terminate a test set to any duration from one to 99. After entering the test number selection, a prompt similar to Figure 43 will appear:

Figure 43
Test parameters screen

```
Enter Duration of Test (1-98 Mins, 0 = Once, 99 = Forever)
Test will interfere with traffic.  Hit Q to quit or any Key to Continue
```

Before a test is run, be sure to verify that the card is disabled since the tests will interfere with calls currently in process.

During a test, if an invalid word is received, this is recorded via a failure peg counter. The peg counter has a limit of 65,000. At the end of the test, the Test Results message will indicate how many failures, if any, occurred during the test.

Table 44 shows which test to run for the associated equipment:

Table 44
MMI Tests

Test number	Equipment Tested	Test Description
1	LEI	Local loopback
2	E1 link, LEI, and E1 network	External loopback
3	CPE device and E1 network	Network loopback

Test 1, local loopback, loops the E1 link signaling toward itself at the backplane connector, and test data is generated and received on all timeslots. If this test fails, it indicates that the LEI is defective. Figure 44 illustrates how the signaling is looped back toward itself.

Figure 44
MMI Local loopback test
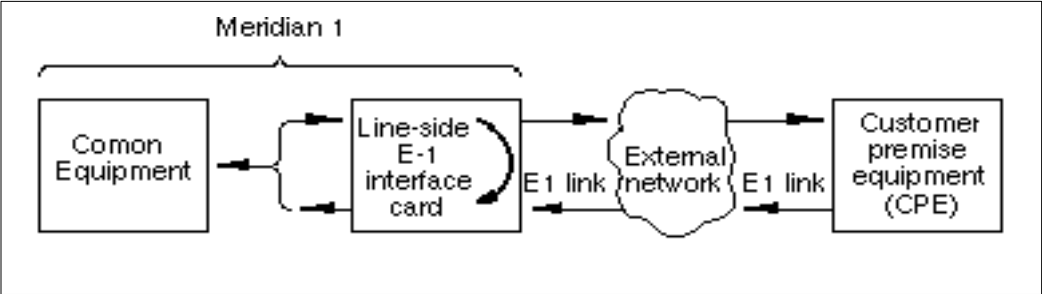
Test 2, external loopback, applies an external loopback to the E1 link. Test data is generated and received by the LEI on all timeslots. If test 1 passes but test 2 fails, it indicates that the E1 link is defective between the LEI and the external loopback location. If test 1 was not run and test 2 fails, the E1 link or the LEI could be defective. To isolate the failure to the E1 link, tests 1 and 2 must be run in tandem. Figure 45 demonstrates how an external loopback is applied to the E1 link.

Figure 45
MMI External loopback test
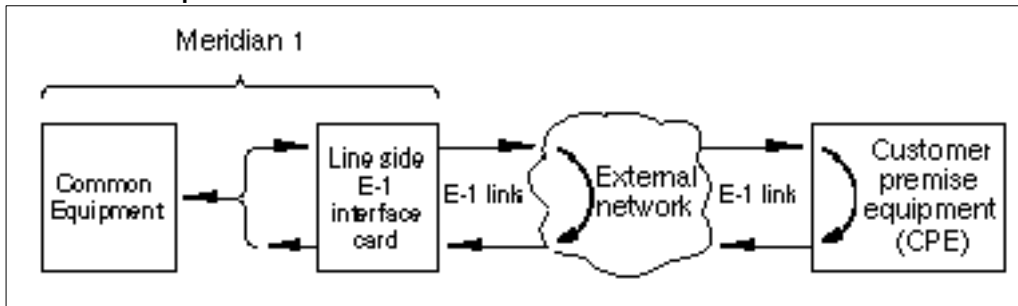
Test 3, network loopback, loops the LEI's received E1 data back toward the CPE. No test data is generated or received by the LEI. If test 2 passes but test 3 fails, it indicates that the CPE device is defective. If test 2 was not run and test 3 fails, the E1 link or the CPE device could be defective. To isolate the failure to the CPE device, tests 2 and 3 must be run in tandem. Figure 46 illustrates how the signaling is looped back toward the CPE.

Figure 46
MMI Network loopback test
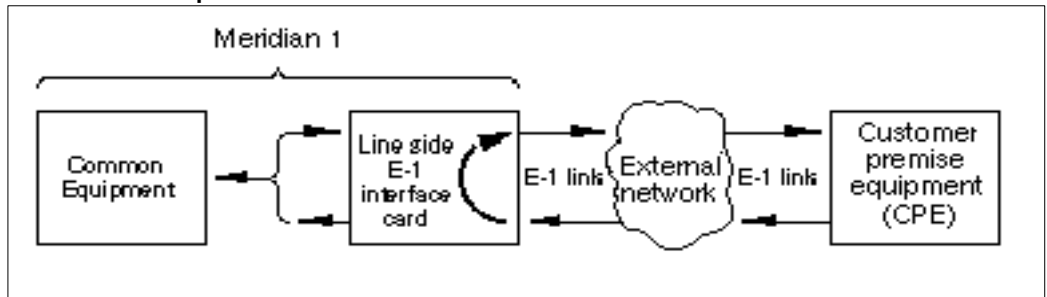
Applications

The LEI is an Intelligent Peripheral Equipment (IPE) line card that provides cost-effective connection between E1-compatible peripheral equipment and a Meridian 1 system or off-premise extensions over long distances.

Some examples of applications where an LEI can be interfaced to an E1 link are:

- E1-compatible VRU equipment

- E1-compatible turret systems

- E1-compatible wireless systems

- Remote analog (500/2500) telephones through E1 to channel bank

- Remote Norstar sites behind Meridian 1 over E1

The LEI is appropriate for any application where both E1 connectivity and "line-side" functionality are required. This includes connections to E1-compatible voice response units, voice messaging and trading turret (used in stock market applications) systems (see Figure 47).

Figure 47
LEI connection to peripheral equipment
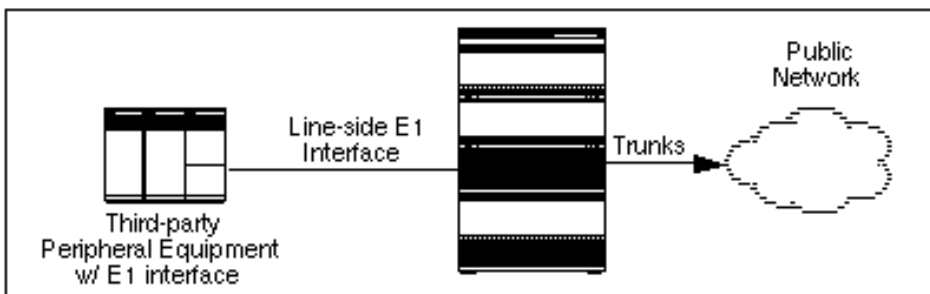
For example, the LEI can be used to connect the Meridian 1 to an E1-compatible voice response unit (VRU). An example of this type of equipment is Nortel Networks Open IVR system. In this way, the Meridian 1 can send a call to the VRU, and, because the LEI supports analog (500/2500) telephone functionality, the VRU is able to send the call back to the Meridian 1 for further handling.

The LEI can also be used to provide off-premise extensions to remote locations (up to 500 miles from the Meridian 1 system). In this application, analog telephone functionality is extended over E1 facilities, providing a telephone at a remote site with access to analog (500/2500) telephone type line functionality (see Figure 48). Audible message waiting indicator can be provided as well.

Figure 48
LEI in off-premise extension application
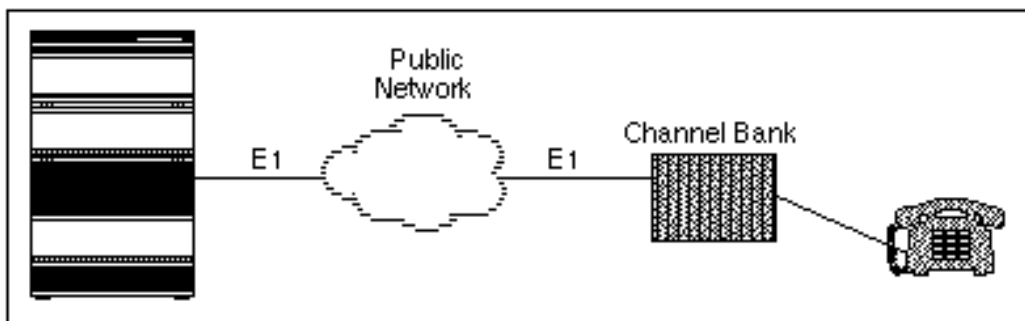
Similarly, use the LEI to provide a connection between the Meridian 1 and a remote Norstar system (see Figure 49). In this case, channel banks would not be required if the Norstar system is equipped with an E1 interface.

Note: Consider LEI audio levels when determining the appropriateness of an application.

Figure 49
LEI connection to Norstar system
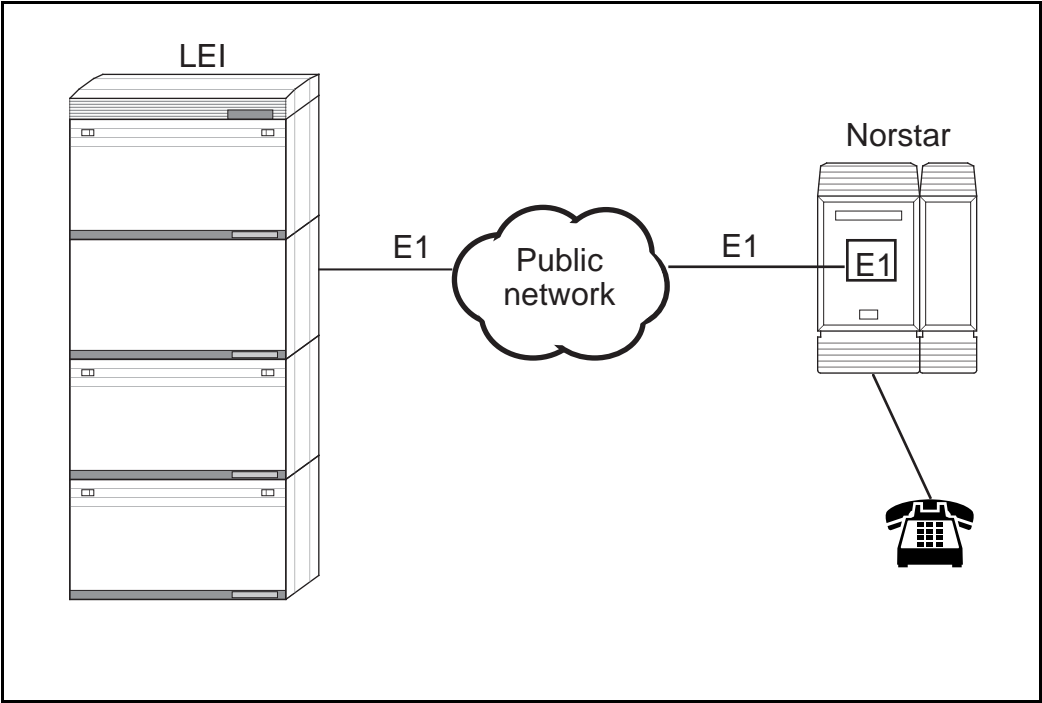
NT5D60AA CLASS Modem Card (XCMC)

Content list

The following are the topics in this section:

Reference list

The following are the references in this section:

- *X11 Features and Services* (553-3001-306)

- *X11 Administration* (553-3001-311)

Introduction

The NT5D60AA CLASS Modem card supports the Custom Local Area Signaling Services (CLASS) feature. The CLASS Modem card receives Calling Number and Calling Name Delivery (CND) data and time/date data from the system and transmits it to a line port, such as a port on an Analog Line card, which delivers the CND data to a CLASS telephone set when presenting the set with a new call.

For information about the CLASS: Calling Number and Name Delivery feature, please refer to the *X11 Features and Services* (553-3001-306). For administration and maintenance commands, see the *X11 Administration* (553-3001-311).

Physical description

CLASS Modem cards are housed in NT8D37 Intelligent Peripheral Equipment (IPE) Modules.

The CLASS modem card circuitry is mounted on a 31.75 cm by 25.40 cm (12.5 in. by 10 in.) double-sided printed circuit board. The card connects to the backplane through a 160-pin edge connector.

The faceplate of the CLASS modem card is equipped with a red light emitting diode (LED) that lights when the card is disabled. When the card is installed, the LED remains lit for two to five seconds as a self-test runs. If the self-test completes successfully, the LED flashes three times and remains lit until the card is configured and enabled in software, then the LED goes out. If the LED does not follow the pattern described or operates in any other manner (such as continually flashing or remaining weakly lit), the card should be replaced.

Functional description

The CLASS Modem card is designed to plug into any one of the peripheral card slots of the IPE module. The CLASS modem card supports up to 32 transmit-only modem resources, using a DS30X interface. Up to 255 modems may be configured per system.

The CND transmission process begins with the system software sending an initiating message to the CLASS Modem card indicating the length of the CND information and the type of the CND information flow to be transmitted. In response, the CLASS Modem card assigns a message buffer to capture the CND information from the system software.

System software then sends the CND information to the CLASS Modem card, one byte at a time, where it is stored in the message buffer. If the CLASS Modem card receives more bytes than were specified in the initiating message, then the additional bytes will be discarded and will not be included in the CND memory buffer.

Once all of the CND information has been stored in the memory buffer, the CLASS Modem card begins transmission when requested by the system software. Data is sent one ASCII character at a time. The CLASS Modem card inserts a start and stop bit to each ASCII character sent.

The transmission of the calling party name/number to the terminating set is accomplished via asynchronous FSK simplex-mode transmission at 1200 bits/second over a 2-wire loop, in accordance with the Bell 202 standard. The transmission is implemented by the appropriate PCM equivalent of 1200 or 2200 Hz.

Upon completion of transmitting the CND data, the CLASS Modem card sends a message to the system software to indicate successful transmission of the CND data.

Eight modems can be associated with each module. Table 45 shows time slot mapping for the CLASS modem card.

Table 45
Time slot mapping (Part 1 of 2)

XCMC mapping of TNs		Modem units on the CLASS Modem card
TNs	**DS30X timeslot**	
00	00	module 0, 00
01	01	01
02	02	02
03	03	03
04	04	04
05	05	05
06	06	06
07	07	07
08	08	module 1, 00
09	09	01
10	10	02
11	11	03
12	12	04
13	13	05
14	14	06
15	15	07
16	16	module 2, 00
17	17	01
18	18	02
19	19	03

Table 45
Time slot mapping (Part 2 of 2)

XCMC mapping of TNs		Modem units on the CLASS Modem card
TNs	**DS30X timeslot**	
20	20	04
21	21	05
22	22	06
23	23	07
24	24	module 3, 00
25	25	01
26	26	02
27	27	03
28	28	04
29	29	05
30	30	06
31	31	07

Electrical specifications

This section lists the electrical characteristic of the CLASS modem card.

Data transmission specifications

Table 46 provides specifications for the 32 transmit-only modem resources.

Table 46
CLASS modem card—data transmission electrical characteristics

Characteristics	Description
Units per card	32 transmit only modem resources
Transmission rate	1200 ± 12 baud

The CLASS modem card has no direct connection to the Public Network.

Power requirements

The CLASS modem card requires less than 1.0 Amps of +5V dc ± 1% supply supplied by the power converter in the IPE shelf.

Environmental specifications

Table 47 shows the environmental specifications of the card.

Table 47
CLASS modem card—environmental specifications

Parameter	Specifications
Operating temperature	0° C to +65° C (+32 ° F to +149 ° F)
Operating humidity	5 to 95% RH (non-condensing)
Storage temperature	-50° C to +70° C (-58 ° F to +158 ° F)

Configuration

The NT5D60AA CLASS Modem card has no user-configurable jumpers or switches. The card derives its address from its position in the backplane and reports that information back to the Meridian 1 CPU via the Cardlan interface.

Software service changes

On systems which are equipped with either CNUMB or CNAME packages (packages 332 and 333 respectively), up to 255 CLASS Modem (CMOD) units can be configured in LD 13, and analog (500/2500) telephones can be assigned as CLASS sets in LD 10 by assigning them CNUS, or CNUA and CNAA class of service. See the *X11 Administration* (553-3001-311) for LD 10 and
LD 13 service change instructions.

NT8D02 Digital Line Card

Content list

The following are the topics in this section:

Reference list

The following are the references in this section:

- *System Installation Procedures* (553-3001-210)

- *X11 Administration* (553-3001-311)

Introduction

The NT8D02 Digital Line Card is an intelligent peripheral equipment (IPE) device that can be installed in either the NT8D37 IPE Module. It provides 16 voice and 16 data communication links between a Meridian 1 switch and modular digital telephones.

The digital line card supports voice only or simultaneous voice and data service over a single twisted pair of standard telephone wiring. When a digital telephone is equipped with the data option, an asynchronous ASCII terminal or personal computer acting like an asynchronous ASCII terminal can be connected to the system through the digital telephone.

Physical description

Digital line cards are housed in NT8D37 Intelligent Peripheral Equipment (IPE) Modules (up to 16 cards).

The digital line card circuitry is mounted on a 31.75 cm by 25.40 cm (12.5 in. by 10 in.) double-sided printed circuit board. The card connects to the backplane through a 160-pin edge connector.

The faceplate of the digital line card (see Figure 50) is equipped with a red light emitting diode (LED) that lights when the card is disabled. When the card is installed, the LED remains lit for two to five seconds as a self-test runs. If the self-test completes successfully, the LED flashes three times and remains lit until the card is configured and enabled in software, then the LED goes out. If the LED does not follow the pattern described or operates in any other manner (such as continually flashing or remaining weakly lit), the card should be replaced.

Figure 50
Digital line card—faceplate

Card lock latch

LED

Dgtl
LC

NT8D02
Rlse 04

Card lock latch

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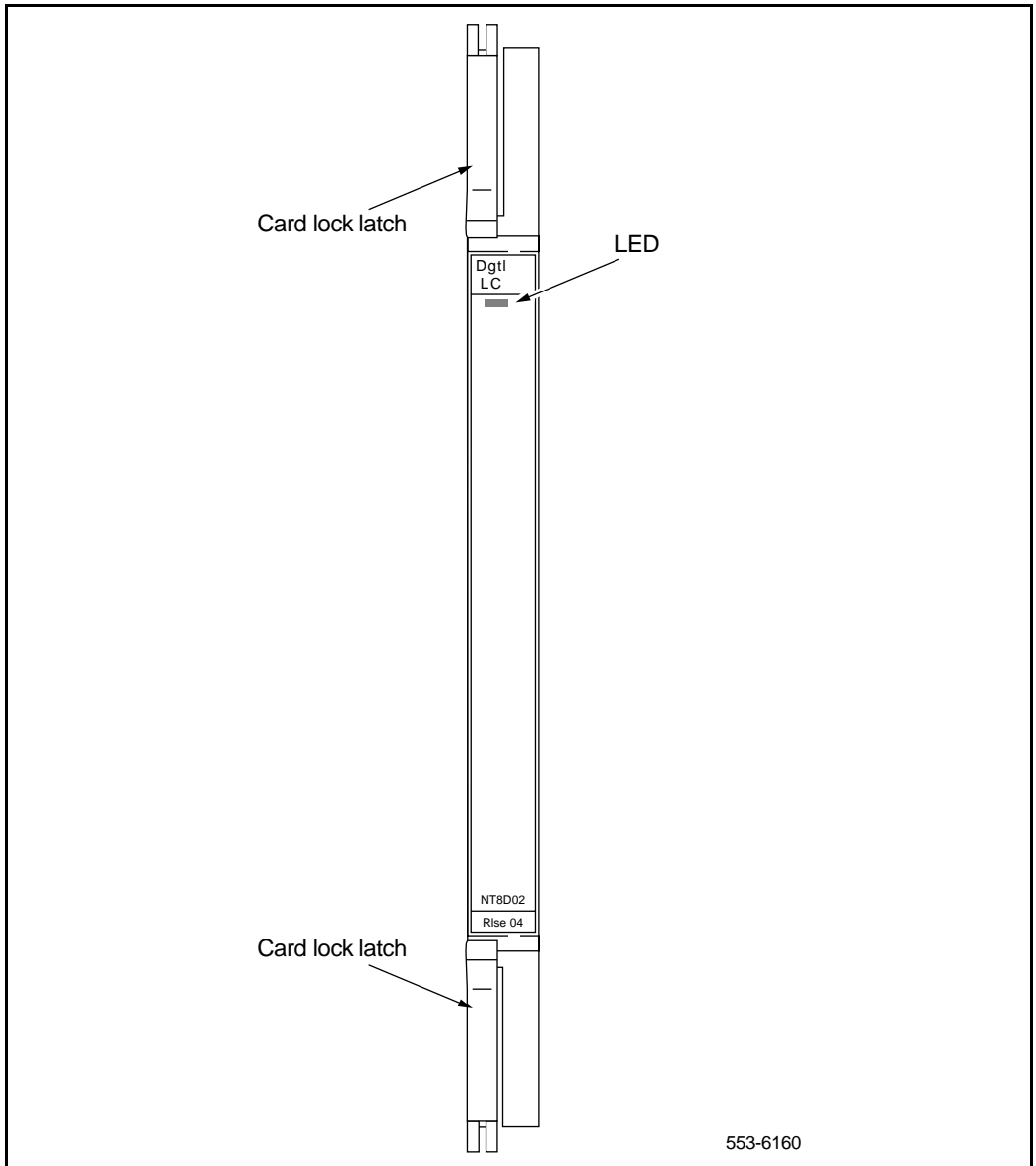
Functional description

The digital line card is equipped with 16 identical digital line interfaces. Each interface provides a multiplexed voice, data, and signaling path to and from a digital terminal (telephone) over a 2-wire full duplex 512 kHz time compression multiplexed (TCM) digital link. Each digital telephone and associated data terminal is assigned a separate terminal number (TN) in the system database, giving a total of 32 addressable units per card. The digital line card supports Nortel Networks' Meridian Digital Telephone.

Figure 51 shows a block diagram of the major functions contained on the digital line card. Each of these functions are described on the following pages.

Figure 51
Digital line card—block diagram

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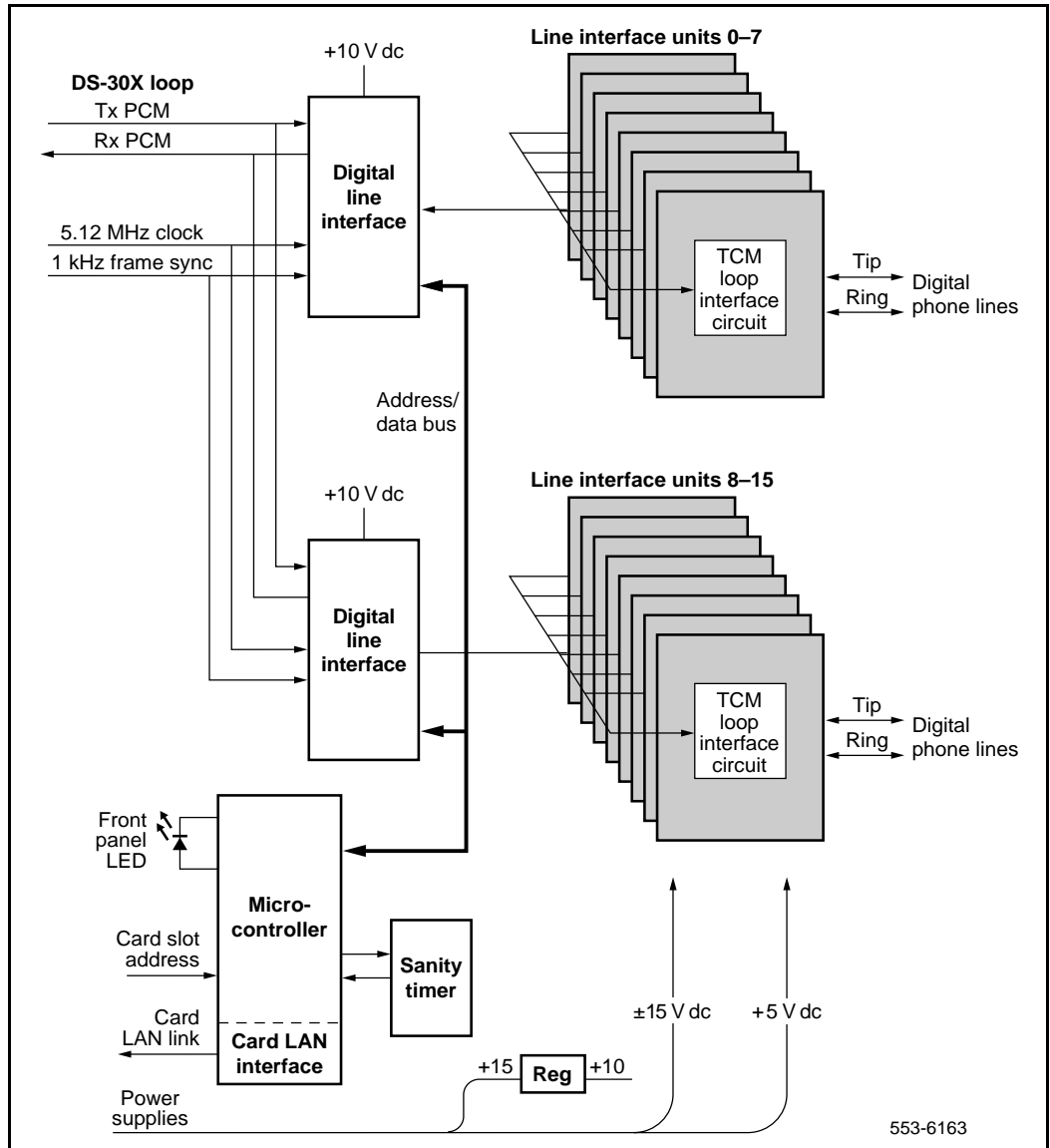
Card interfaces

The digital line card passes voice, data, and signaling over DS-30X loops and maintenance data over the card LAN link. These interfaces are discussed in detail in the section "Intelligent peripheral equipment" on page 17.

Digital line interfaces

The digital line interface contains two digital line interface circuits (DLIC). Each digital line interface circuit provides eight identical and individually configurable voice and data interfaces to eight digital telephone lines. These lines carry multiplexed PCM voice, data, and signaling information as time compression multiplexed (TCM) loops. Each TCM loop can be connected to a Nortel Networks M2xxx, M39xx, or Aries digital telephone set.

The purpose of each digital line interface circuit is to demultiplex data from the DS-30X Tx channel into eight integrated voice and data bitstreams and transmit those bitstreams as Bi-Polar Return to Zero, Alternate Mark Inversion (BPRZ-AMI) data to the eight TCM loops. They also do the opposite: receive eight BPRZ-AMI bitstreams from the TCM loops and multiplex them onto the DS-30X Rx channel. The two digital line interface circuits together perform the multiplexing and demultiplexing functions for the 16 digital telephone lines.

The digital line interface circuits also contain signaling and control circuits that establish, supervise, and take down call connections. These circuits work with the on-card microcontroller to operate the digital line interface circuits during calls. The circuits receive outgoing call signaling messages from the CP and return incoming call status information to the CP over the DS-30X network loop.

TCM loop interface circuit

Each digital phone line terminates on the digital line card at a TCM loop interface circuit. The circuit provides transformer coupling and foreign voltage protection between the TCM loop and the digital line interface circuit. It also provides battery voltage for the digital telephone set.

To prevent undesirable side effects from occurring when the TCM loop interface cannot provide the proper signals on the digital phone line, the card microcontroller can remove the ±15 V dc power supply from the TCM loop interfaces. This happens when either the microcontroller gets a command from the NT8D01 controller card to shut down the channel or the digital line card detects a loss of the 1 KHz frame synchronization signal. The ±15 V dc power supply signal is removed from all 16 TCM loop interface units at the same time.

Each TCM loop interface circuit can service loops up to 3500 ft. in length when using 24-gauge wire. They allow for a maximum AC signal loss of 15.5 dB at 256 KHz and a maximum DC loop resistance of 210 ohms.

Card control functions

Control functions are provided by a microcontroller and a Card LAN link on the digital line card. A sanity timer is provided to automatically reset the card if the microcontroller stops functioning for any reason.

Microcontroller

The digital line card contains a microcontroller that controls the internal operation of the card and the serial card LAN link to the controller card. The microcontroller controls the following:

— reporting to the CE CP via the card LAN link:

- card identification (card type, vintage, and serial number)

- firmware version

- self-test status

- programmed configuration status

— receipt and implementation of card configuration:

- programming of the digital line interfaces

- enabling/disabling of individual units or entire card

- programming of loop interface control circuits for administration of line interface unit operation

- maintenance diagnostics

The microcontroller also controls the front panel LED when the card is enabled or disabled by instructions from the NT8D01 controller card.

Card LAN interface

Maintenance data is exchanged with the common equipment CP over a dedicated asynchronous serial network called the Card LAN link. The Card LAN link is described in the section "Intelligent peripheral equipment" on page 17.

Sanity timer

The digital line card also contains a sanity timer that resets the microcontroller if program control is lost. The microcontroller must service the sanity timer every 1.2 seconds. If the timer is not properly serviced, it times out and causes the microcontroller to be hardware reset.

Circuit power

The +15 V dc input is regulated down to +10 V dc for use by the digital line interface circuits. The ±15.0 V dc inputs to the card are used to power the loop interface circuits.

Electrical specifications

This section lists the electrical characteristic of the digital line card.

Digital line interface specifications

Table 48 provides specifications for the 16 digital line interfaces, and Table 49 lists the maximum power consumed by the card.

Table 48
Digital line card—line interface unit electrical characteristics

Characteristics	Description
Units per card	16 voice, 16 data
Line rate	512 kbps ± 100 ppm
Impedance	100¾
Loop limits	0 to 1067 m (3500 ft.) with 24 AWG PVC cable (±15 V dc at 80 mA)
Maximum AC Signal loss	15.5 dB at 256 KHz
Maximum DC Loop resistance	210 ohms
Transmitter output voltage:	
— successive "1" bits	+1.5 ± 0.15 V and −1.5 ± 0.15 V
— "0" bits	0 ± 50 mV

Power requirements

The digital line card provides +15 V dc over each loop at a maximum current of 80 mA. It requires +15 V, -15 V, and +5 V from the backplane. One NT8D06 Peripheral Equipment Power Supply AC or NT6D40 Peripheral Equipment Power Supply DC can supply power to a maximum of 16 digital line cards.

Table 49
Digital line card—power required

Voltage	Current (max.)
±5.0 V dc	150 mA
+15.0 V dc	1.6 Amp
−15.0 V dc	1.3 Amp

Foreign and surge voltage protections

In-circuit protection against power line crosses or lightning is not provided on the digital line card. The digital line card does, however, have protection against accidental shorts to -52 V dc analog lines.

When the card is used to service off-premise telephones, primary and secondary main distribution frame (MDF) protection must be installed. Details on installing protection devices are given in "Off-premise line protection" on page 41. Off-premise telephones served by cable pairs routed through the central office, or crossing a public right-of-way, can be subject to a requirement for on-card protection, and MDF protectors may not be acceptable. Check local regulations before providing such service.

Environmental specifications

Table 50 shows the environmental specifications of the card.

Table 50
Digital line card—environmental specifications

Parameter	Specifications
Operating temperature	0° to +60° C (+32 to +140° F), ambient
Operating humidity	5 to 95% RH (non-condensing)
Storage temperature	−40° to +70° C (−40° to +158° F)

Connector pin assignments

Table 51 shows the I/O pin designations at the backplane connector, which is arranged as an 80-row by 2-column array of pins. Normally, these pin positions are cabled to 50-pin connectors at the I/O panel in the rear of each module for connection with 25-pair cables to the MDF.

The information in Table 51 is provided as a reference and diagnostic aid at the backplane, since the cabling arrangement may vary at the I/O panel. See *System Installation Procedures* (553-3001-210) for cable pinout information for the I/O panel. Figure 52 shows a typical cross connection example.

Figure 52
Digital line card—typical cross connection example

Note: Actual pin numbers may vary depending on the vintage of the card cage and the slot where the card is installed.

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Table 51
Digital line card—backplane pinouts

Backplane Pinout*	Lead Designations	Backplane Pinout*	Lead Designations
12A	Line 0, Ring	12B	Line 0, Tip
13A	Line 1, Ring	13B	Line 1, Tip
14A	Line 2, Ring	14B	Line 2, Tip
15A	Line 3, Ring	15B	Line 3, Tip
16A	Line 4, Ring	16B	Line 4, Tip
17A	Line 5, Ring	17B	Line 5, Tip
18A	Line 6, Ring	18B	Line 6, Tip
19A	Line 7, Ring	19B	Line 7, Tip
62A	Line 8, Ring	62B	Line 8, Tip
63A	Line 9, Ring	63B	Line 9, Tip
64A	Line 10, Ring	64B	Line 10, Tip
65A	Line 11, Ring	65B	Line 11, Tip
66A	Line 12, Ring	66B	Line 12, Tip
67A	Line 13, Ring	67B	Line 13, Tip
68A	Line 14, Ring	68B	Line 14, Tip
69A	Line 15, Ring	69B	Line 15, Tip

* These pinouts apply to both the NT8D37 and NT8D11 backplanes

Configuration

This section outlines the procedures for configuring the switches and jumpers on the NT8D02 Digital Line Card and configuring the system software to properly recognize the card. Figure 53 shows where the switches and jumper blocks are located on this board.

Jumper and switch settings

The NT8D02 Digital Line Card has no user-configurable jumpers or switches. The card derives its address from its position in the backplane and reports that information back to the Meridian 1 CP via the LAN Link interface.

Software service changes

Voice and data ports are configured using the Meridian Digital Telephone Administration program (LD 11). See the *X11 Administration* (553-3001-311) for LD 11 service change instructions.

Figure 53
Digital line card—jumper block and switch locations.

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NT8D09 Analog Message Waiting Line Card

Content list

The following are the topics in this section:

Reference list

The following are the references in this section:

- *System Installation Procedures* (553-3001-210)

- *X11 Administration* (553-3001-311)

Introduction

The NT8D09 Analog Message Waiting Line Card is an intelligent peripheral equipment (IPE) line card that can be installed in either the NT8D37 IPE module (up to 16 cards). The analog message waiting line card provides talk battery and signaling for up to 16 regular 2-wire common battery analog (500/2500) telephones and key telephone equipment. The card can also connect a high-voltage, low-current feed to each line to light the message waiting lamp on telephones equipped with the Message Waiting feature. This voltage is provided by the NT6D40 Peripheral Equipment Power Supply, DC.

Cards later than vintage NT8D09AK support µ-Law and A-Law companding, and provide a 2 dB transmission profile change. The transmission change improves performance on long lines, particularly for lines used outside of a single-building environment.

Note: If a modem is connected to a port on the message waiting line card, that port should not be defined in software (LD 10) as having message waiting capabilities. Otherwise, the modem will be damaged.

Physical description

The analog message waiting line card mounts in any IPE slot. The circuitry is mounted on a 31.75 cm. by 25.40 cm (12.5 in. by 10 in.) printed circuit board.

The analog message waiting line card connects to the backplane through a 160-pin edge connector. The backplane is cabled to the input/output (I/O) panel that then connects to the main distribution frame (MDF), also called a cross-connect terminal through 25-pair cables. Telephones connect to the card through the MDF. See *System Installation Procedures* (553-3001-210) for termination and cross-connect information.

The faceplate of the analog message waiting line card (see Figure 54) is equipped with a red light emitting diode (LED) that lights when the card is disabled. When the card is installed, the LED remains lit for two to five seconds as a self-test runs. If the self-test completes successfully, the LED flashes three times and remains lit until the card is configured and enabled in software; then the LED goes out. If the LED does not follow the pattern described or operates in any other manner (such as continually flashing or remaining weakly lit), the card should be replaced. Figure 54 shows an NT8D09 card faceplate.

Figure 54
Analog message waiting line card—faceplate

Card lock latch

LED

Anlg
M/WLC

NT8D09

Rlse 0x

Card lock latch

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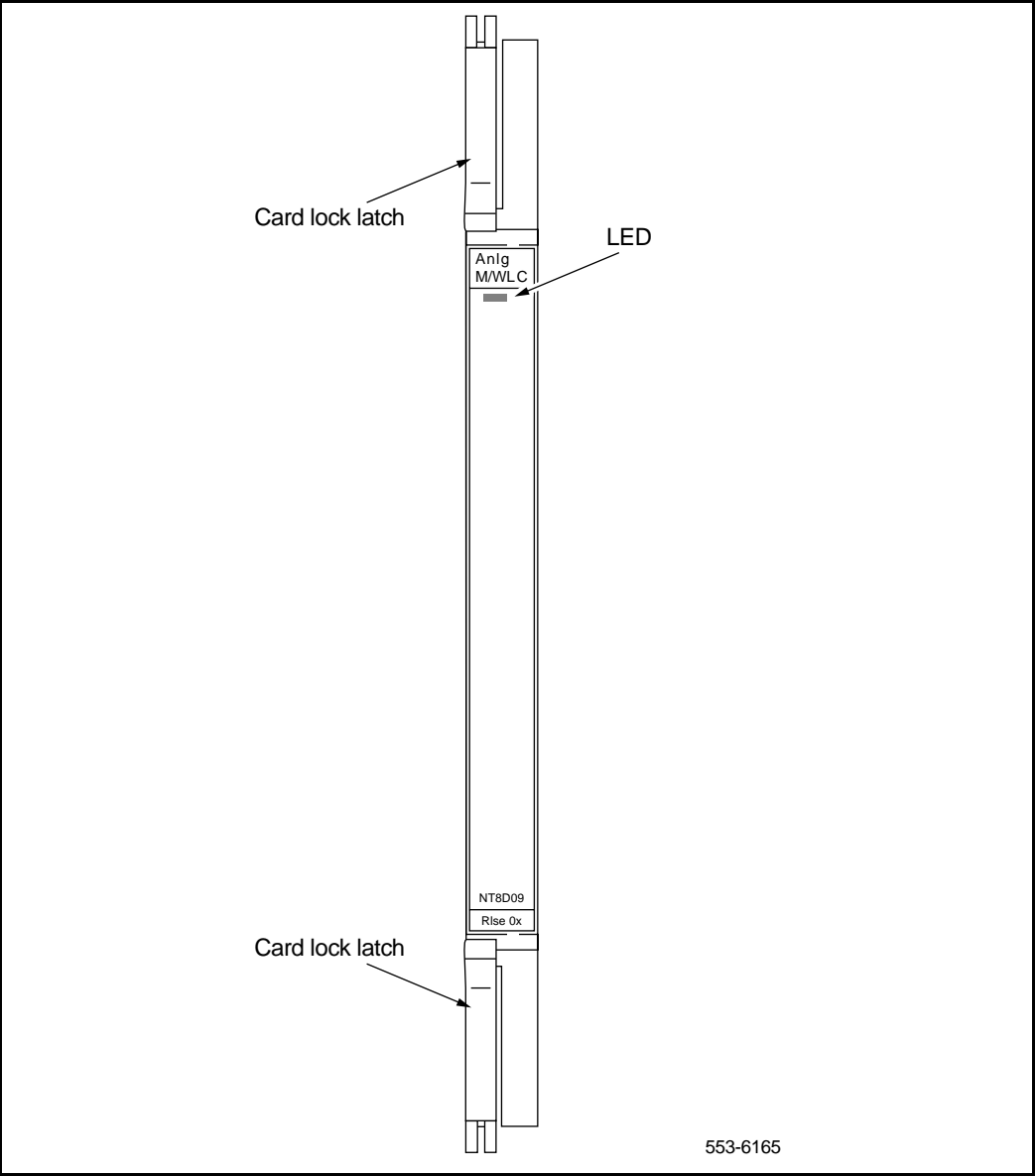
Functional description

Figure 55 shows a block diagram of the major functions contained on the analog message waiting line card. Each of these functions are described in the following sections.

Card interfaces

The analog message waiting line card passes voice and signaling data over DS-30X loops and maintenance data over the card LAN link. These interfaces are discussed in "Intelligent peripheral equipment" on page 17.

Line interface units

The analog message waiting line card contains 16 identical and independently configurable line interface units (also referred to as circuits). Each unit provides 600-ohm impedance matching and a balance network in a signal transformer/analog hybrid circuit. Circuits are also provided in each unit to apply the ringing voltage onto the line synchronized to the ringing current zero crossing. Signal detection circuits monitor on-hook/off-hook status and switchhook flash detection. Four codecs are provided to perform A/D and D/A conversion of line analog voiceband signals to digital PCM signals. Each codec supports four line interface units. The following features are common to all units on the card:

- transmission and reception of scan and signaling device (SSD) signaling messages over a DS30X signaling channel in A10 format

- loopback of SSD messages and pulse code modulation (PCM) signals for diagnostic purposes

- correct initialization of all features, as configured in software, at power-up

- direct reporting of digits dialed (500 telephones) by collecting dial pulses

- connection of –150 V dc at 1 Hz to activate message waiting lamps in two telephone sets in parallel. The two sets must be the same type or the neon series resistor in each set must be 54 K¾ or greater.

- lamp status detection (will not detect a failure of either lamp when operating in parallel)

- disabling and enabling of selected units for maintenance

- 40 mA to sets with short circuit protection

Figure 55
Analog message waiting line card—block diagram

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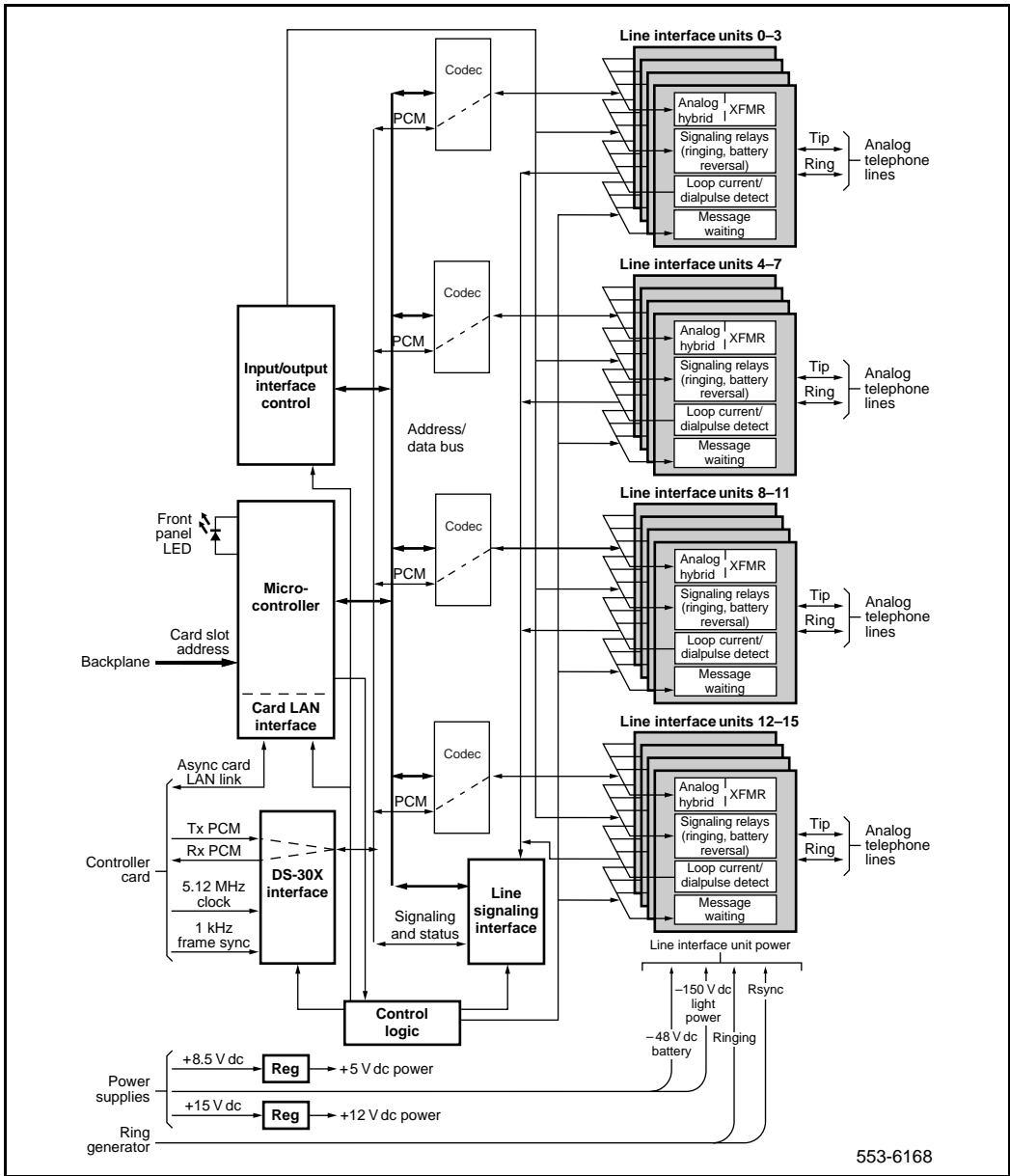
Card control functions

Control functions are provided by a microcontroller, a card LAN interface, and signaling and control circuits on the analog message waiting line card.

Microcontroller

The analog message waiting line card contains a microcontroller that controls the internal operation of the card and the serial card LAN link to the controller card. The microcontroller controls the following:

- reporting to the CE CP via the card LAN link:

    — card identification (card type, vintage, and serial number)

    — firmware version

    — self-test status

    — programmed configuration status

- receipt and implementation of card configuration:

    — programming of the codecs

    — enabling/disabling of individual units or entire card

    — programming of input/output interface control circuits for administration of line interface unit operation

    — enabling/disabling of an interrupted dial tone to indicate call waiting

    — maintenance diagnostics

    — transmission loss levels

Signaling and control

The signaling and control portion of the card provides circuits that establish, supervise, and take down call connections. These circuits work with the system CP to operate the line interface circuits during calls. The circuits receive outgoing call signaling messages from the CP and return incoming call status information over the DS-30X network loop.

Circuit power

The +8.5 V dc input is regulated down to +5 V dc for use by the digital logic circuits. All other power to the card is used by the line interface circuits. The +15.0 V dc input is regulated down to +12 V dc to power the analog circuits. The –48.0 V dc input is for telephone set battery.

Ringing power for telephone sets is 86 Vrms ac at 20 Hz on –48 V dc. The Rsync signal is used to switch 20 Hz ringing on and off at the zero current cross-over point to lengthen the life of the switching circuits.

Power for lighting the message waiting lights is provided by either the peripheral equipment power supply or the ringing generator. Logic on the message waiting line card interrupts the –150 V dc signal at 1 Hz intervals to provide a flashing message waiting light.

Electrical specifications

This section lists the electrical characteristics of the analog message waiting line card.

Analog line interface

The NT8D09 Analog Message Waiting Line Card meets the EIA/TA464 standard for ONS Type II line cards. Table 52 shows a summary of the analog line interface unit electrical characteristics.

Table 52
Analog message waiting line card—line interface unit electrical characteristics

Characteristics	Description
Impedance	600 ¾
Loop limit (excluding telephone)	1000 ¾ at nominal –48 V (excluding telephone)
Leakage resistance	30,000 ¾
Ring trip	During silent or ringing intervals
Ringing voltage	86 V ac
Signaling	Loop start
Supervision	Normal battery conditions are continuously applied (approximately –44.5 V on ring and –2.5 V on tip at nominal –48 V battery)
Power input from backplane	–48 (can be as low as –42 for DC-powered systems), +15, +8.5, –150 V and ringing voltage
Insertion loss	4 dB ±1 dB at 1020 Hz
	3.5 dB loss for analog to PCM
	0.5 dB loss for PCM to analog

Input impedance

The impedance at tip and ring is 600 ohms with a return loss of

- 20 dB for 200-500 Hz

- 26 dB for 500-3400 Hz

Frequency response

The loss values in Table 53 are measured relative to the loss at 1 kHz.

Table 53
Analog message waiting line card—frequency response

Frequency (Hz)	Minimum (dB)	Maximum (dB)
60	20.0	—
200	0.0	5.0
300	−0.5	1.0
3000	−0.5	1.0
3200	−0.5	1.5
3400	0.0	3.0

Message channel noise

The message channel noise C-weighted (dBmC) on 95 percent of the connections (line to line) with both ends terminated in 600 ohms does not exceed 20 dBmC.

Overload level

Signal levels exceeding +6.5 dBm applied to the tip and ring cause distortion in speech transmission.

Power requirements

Table 54 provides the power requirements for the analog message waiting line card.

Table 54
Analog message waiting line card—power requirements

Voltage (+/–)	Tolerance	Idle current	Active current	Maximum
+12.0 V dc	0.36 V dc	48 mA	0 mA	48 mA
+8.5 V dc	0.40 V dc	150 mA	8 mA	280 mA
–48.0 V dc	2.00 V dc	48 mA	40 mA*	688 mA
–48.0 V dc	5.00 V dc	0 mA	10 mA**	160 mA
86.0 V ac	5.00 V ac	0 mA	10 mA***	160 mA
–150.0 V dc	3.00 V dc	0 mA	2 mA	32 mA

*   Current required for each line off-hook

**   Each active ringing relay requires 10 mA of battery voltage

*** Reflects the current for ringing a single DN telephone. There may be as many as five ringers on each line.

Foreign and surge voltage protections

In-circuit protection against power line crosses or lightning is not provided on the analog message waiting line card. When the card is used to service off-premise telephones, primary and secondary MDF protection must be installed. Details on installing protection devices are given in "Off-premise line protection" on page 41. Off-premise telephones served by cable pairs routed through the central office, or crossing a public right-of-way, can be subject to a requirement for on-card protection, and MDF protectors may not be acceptable. Check local regulations before providing such service.

Environmental specifications

Table 55 lists the environmental specifications for the analog message waiting line card.

Table 55
Analog message waiting line card—environmental specifications

Parameter	Specifications
Operating temperature	0° to +60° C (+32 to +140° F), ambient
Operating humidity	5 to 95% RH (noncondensing)
Storage temperature	–40° to +70° C (–40° to +158° F)

Connector pin assignments

The analog message waiting line card brings the 16 phone lines to the IPE backplane through a 160-pin connector shroud. The backplane is cabled to the input/output (I/O) panel on the rear of the module, which is then connected to the main distribution frame (MDF) by 25-pair cables.

Telephone lines from station equipment cross connect to the analog message waiting line card at the MDF using a wiring plan similar to that used for trunk cards. A typical connection example is shown in Figure 56, and Table 56 shows the I/O pin designations at the backplane connector. This connector is arranged as an 80-row by 2-column array of pins. Normally, these pin positions are cabled to 50-pin connectors at the I/O panel in the rear of each module for connection with 25-pair cables to the cross-connect terminal.

The information in Table 56 is provided as a reference and diagnostic aid at the backplane, since the cabling arrangement may vary at the I/O panel. See *System Installation Procedures* (553-3001-210) for cable pinout information at the I/O panel.

Figure 56
Analog message waiting line card—typical cross connection example

Note: Actual pin numbers may vary depending on the vintage
of the card cage and the slot where the card is installed.

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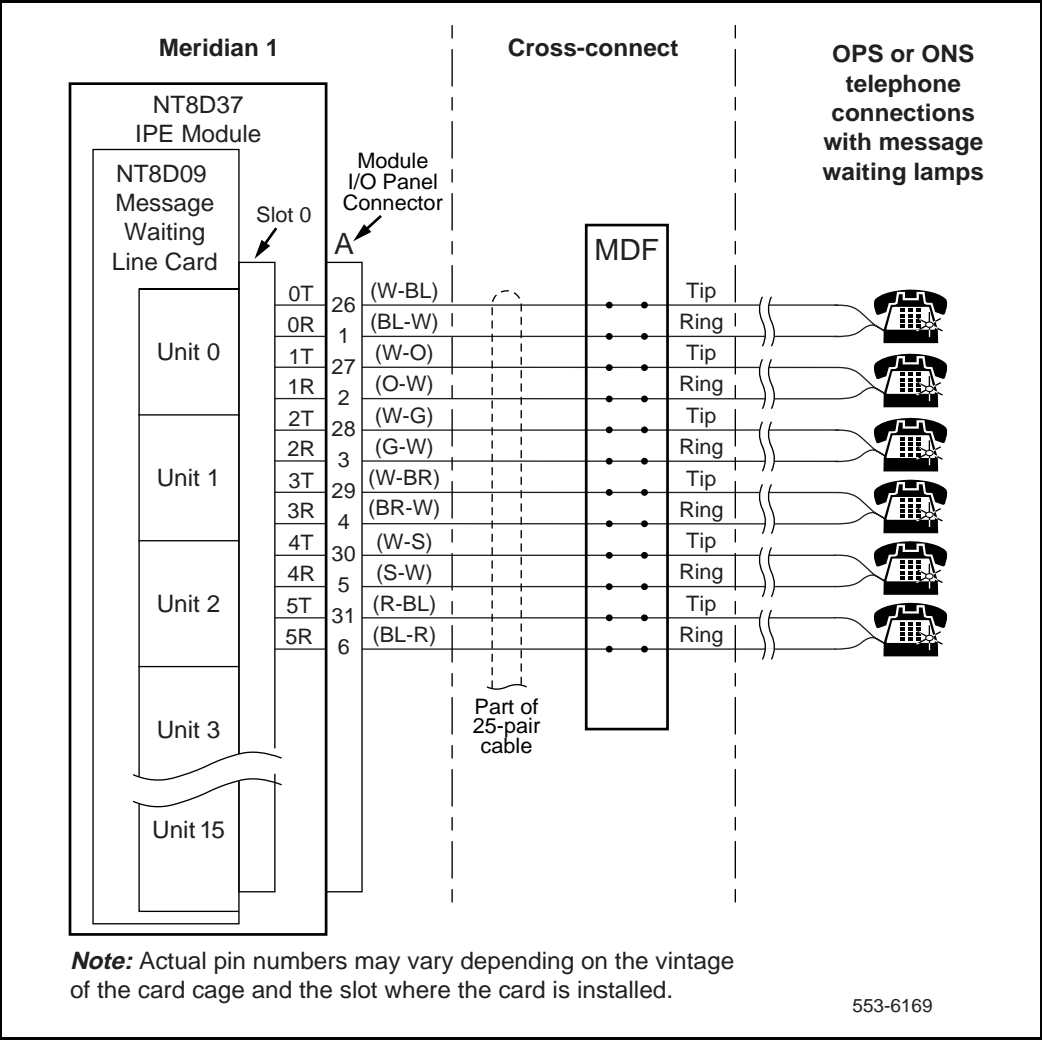
Table 56
Analog message waiting line card—backplane pinouts

Backplane pinout*	Lead designations	Backplane pinout*	Lead designations
12A	Line 0, Ring	12B	Line 0, Tip
13A	Line 1, Ring	13B	Line 1, Tip
14A	Line 2, Ring	14B	Line 2, Tip
15A	Line 3, Ring	15B	Line 3, Tip
16A	Line 4, Ring	16B	Line 4, Tip
17A	Line 5, Ring	17B	Line 5, Tip
18A	Line 6, Ring	18B	Line 6, Tip
19A	Line 7, Ring	18B	Line 7, Tip
62A	Line 8, Ring	62B	Line 8, Tip
63A	Line 9, Ring	63B	Line 9, Tip
64A	Line 10, Ring	64B	Line 10, Tip
65A	Line 11, Ring	65B	Line 11, Tip
66A	Line 12, Ring	66B	Line 12, Tip
67A	Line 13, Ring	67B	Line 13, Tip
68A	Line 14, Ring	68B	Line 14, Tip
69A	Line 15, Ring	69B	Line 15, Tip
* These pinouts apply to both NT8D37 and NT8D11 backplanes.			

Configuration

This section outlines the procedures for configuring the switches and jumpers on the NT8D09 Analog Message Waiting Line Card and configuring the system software to properly recognize the card. Figure 57 shows where the switches and jumper blocks are located on this board.

Jumper and switch settings

The NT8D09 Analog Message Waiting Line Card has no user-configurable jumpers or switches. The card derives its address from its position in the backplane and reports that information back to the Meridian 1 CP via the LAN Link interface.

Software service changes

Individual line interface units on the NT8D09 Analog Message Waiting Line Card are configured using the Analog (500/2500) Telephone Administration program (LD 10). The message waiting feature is enabled by entering data into the customer data block using LD 15. See the *X11 Administration* (553-3001-311) for LD 10 and LD 15 service change instructions.

Analog message waiting line cards with a vintage later than NT8D09AK provide a fixed +2 dB transmission profile change in the gain of the D/A convertor (Table 57). This transmission profile change is used for control of end-to-end connection loss. Control of such loss is a major element in controlling transmission parameters such as received volume, echo, noise, and crosstalk. The loss plan for the analog message waiting line card determines port-to-port loss between an analog line card unit (port) and other Meridian 1 IPE ports. LD 97 is used to configure the Meridian system for port-to-port loss. See the *X11 Administration* (553-3001-311) for LD 97 service change instructions.

Table 57
Transmission Profile Changes

Vintage	A/D convertor gain	D/A convertor gain
Previous to AK	−3.5 dB	−2.5 dB
AK and later	−3.5 dB	−0.5 dB

Figure 57
Analog message waiting line card—jumper block and switch locations

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NTRD24 24-Port Digital Line Card

Content list

The following are the topics in this section:

Reference list

The following reference is in this section:

- *System Installation Procedures* (553-3001-210)

Introduction

The NTRD24 24-Port Digital Line Card (EDLC) provides an alternative configuration to the existing NT8D02 16-Port Digital Line Card (XDLC). The EDLC provides 24 voice units and 8 data units. The following Meridian 1 systems support the 24-Port Digital Line Card:

- Option 51C

- Option 61C

- Option 81C

  Note: The NTRD24 24-Port Digital Line Card is not supported on the Option 11C or Option 11C Mini.

The card has 24 ports. Sixteen of the ports have one unit for voice. Eight of the ports have two units, one unit for voice and one unit for data. So each card has a total of 24 ports and 32 units. The port allocation is fixed. Ports 0 - 15 support voice, and ports 16 - 23 support both voice and data. Units 0 - 23 are configured as voice units, and units 24 - 31 are configured as data units.

Physical description

The 24-Port Digital Line card may be equipped in any housing enclosure capable of supporting Intelligent Peripheral Equipment (IPE).

The 24-Port Digital Line card circuitry is mounted on a 31.75 cm by 25.40 cm (12.5 in. by 10 in.) printed circuit board. The card connects to the backplane through a 160-pin edge connector.

The faceplate of the digital line card (see Figure 58) is equipped with a red, light emitting diode (LED) that lights when the card is disabled. When the card is installed, the LED remains lit for two to five seconds as a self-test runs.

Figure 58
24-Port Digital Line card—faceplate
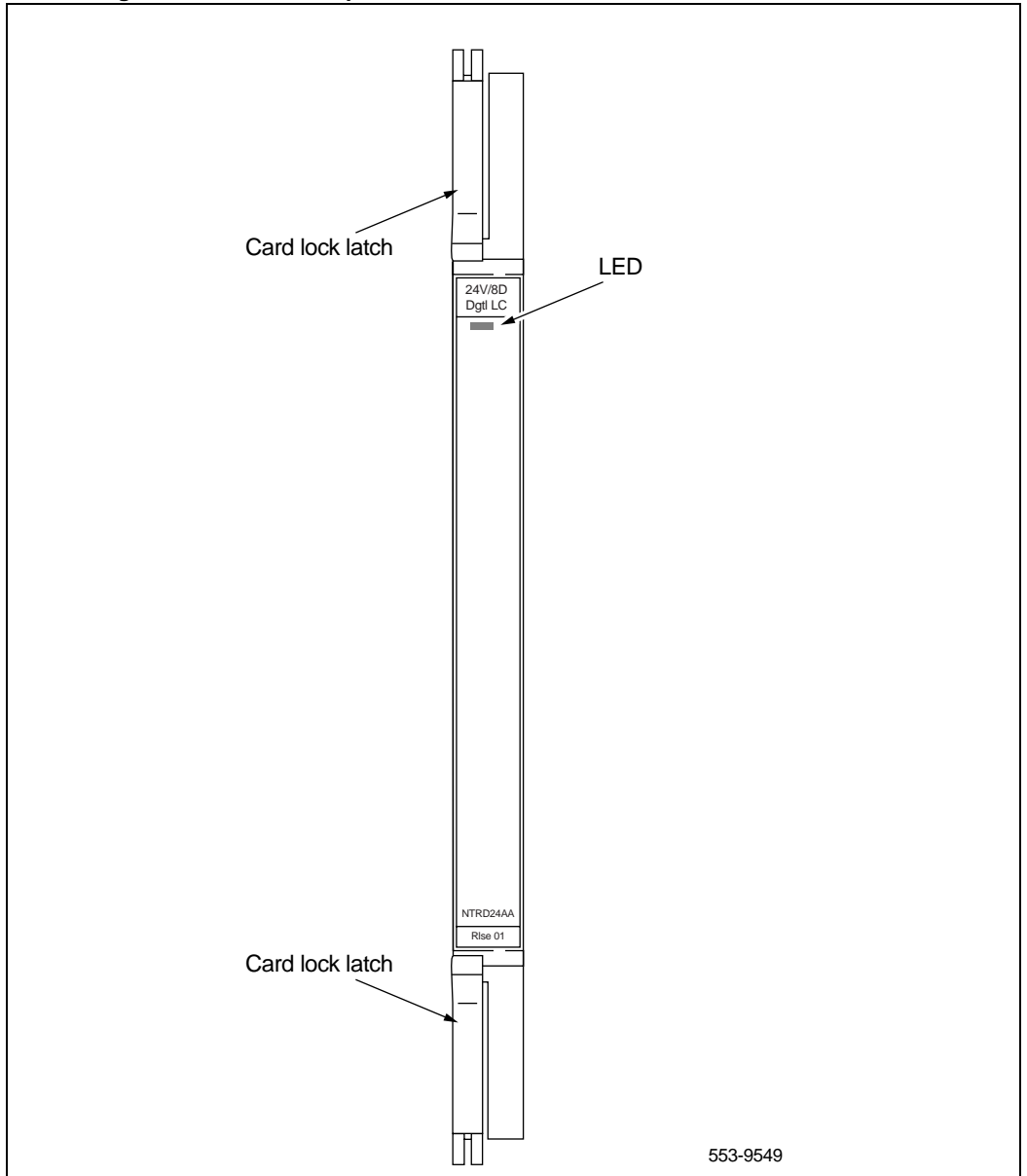
Card lock latch

LED

24V/8D
Dgtl LC

NTRD24AA

Rlse 01

Card lock latch

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If the self-test completes successfully, the LED flashes three times and remains lit until the card is configured and enabled in software, then the LED goes out. If the LED does not follow the pattern described or operates in any other manner (such as continually flashing or remaining weakly lit), the card should be replaced.

Engineering guidelines

NTRD24 cards can require more power than currently installed systems can provide. For example, the maximum rating of NT8D06 and NT6D40 power units in Meridian 1 IPE shelves will be reached before the full complement of available card slots is used. To ensure that each card has enough power, allocate cards in accordance with Table 58.

If a currently installed system has been upgraded, the existing peripheral power units in associated equipment modules were not upgraded, the NTRD24 card placement restrictions in Table 58 also apply.

Table 58
NTRD24 card allocation

Power Unit	Type	Application	Maximum EDLC provisioning
NT8D06	AC	51C, 61C, 81C	Contact your system supplier or your Nortel Networks representative to verify the number of 24-port DLCs and mix of line/trunk cards supported in your IPE module.
NT6D40	DC	51C, 61C, 81C	Contact your system supplier or your Nortel Networks representative to verify the number of 24-port DLCs and mix of line/trunk cards supported in your IPE module.

The type of IPE module used to house the cards may also affect card placement. For installed base upgrades, install NTRD24 cards in accordance with Table 59.

Table 59
NTRD24 IPE module provisioning

IPE Module	Power	Cabling	Maximum EDLC provisioning
NT8D37BA	AC	24 pair	See Note 1 for the number of 24-port DLCs located in any of slots 0-15.
NT8D37EC	DC	24 pair	See Note 1 for the number of 24-port DLCs located in any of slots 0-15.
NT8D37AA	AC	16/24 pair	See Note 1 for the number of 24-port DLCs located in slots 0, 4, 8, 12.
NT8D37DC	DC	16/24 pair	See Note 1 for the number of 24-port DLCs located in slots 0, 4, 8, 12.

Note 1: Contact your system supplier or your Nortel Networks representative to verify the number and slot location of 24-port DLCs with a mix of line/trunk cards supported in your IPE module.

Functional description

The 24-Port Digital Line card is equipped with 24 ports, each capable of connecting to any digital telephone selected from the Meridian 1 portfolio. Each port provides the capability to support a multiplexed voice, data, and signaling path to and from a digital telephone over a 2-wire full duplex 512 kHz time compression multiplexed (TCM) digital link. Each digital telephone is assigned a separate Terminal Number (TN) in the system database. Units 0-15 are always assigned a class-of-service of VCE for voice-only applications. Units 16-23 are also assigned a VCE class of service, but may be paired with Units 24-31, which are always allocated a data-only class of service of DTA.This arrangement provides a fixed configuration of 24 voice ports, 8 of which provide simultaneous voice and data capabilities.

Table 60 shows a block diagram of the major functions contained on the 24-Port Digital Line card. Each of these functions are described on the following pages.

Figure 59
24-Port Digital Line card—block diagram

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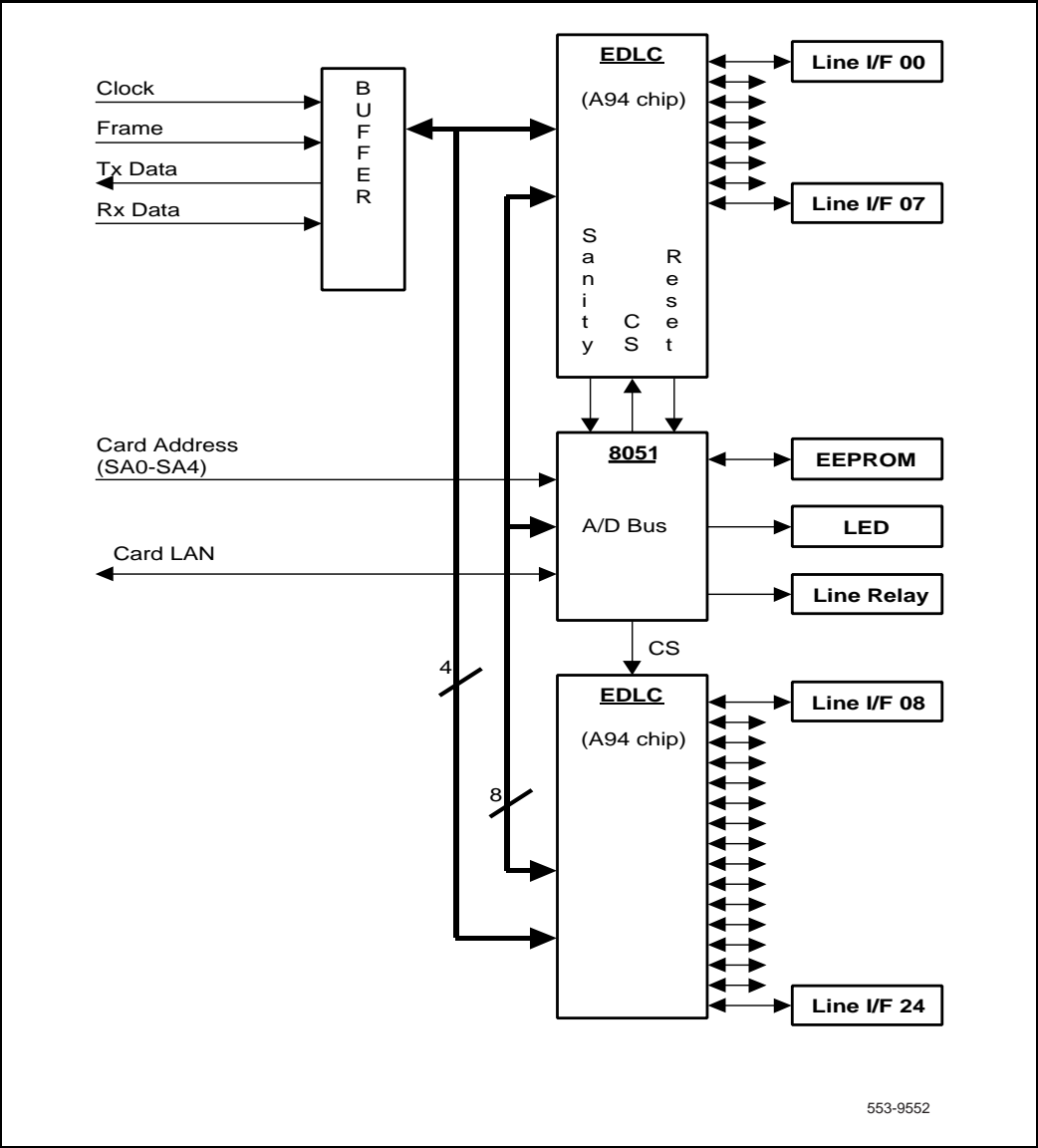
Card interfaces

The 24-Port Digital Line card passes voice, data, and signaling over DS-30X loops and maintenance data over the card LAN link.

Digital line interfaces

The 24 digital line interfaces and their corresponding ports on the NTRD24 are connected by two digital line interface circuits, located on the line card. The digital line interface circuit provides 16 time compression multiplex (TCM) loops for conversion into the DS-30X format. These loops carry multiplexed PCM voice, data, and signaling information as TCM links to the associated digital telephones.

The purpose of each digital line interface circuit is to demultiplex data from the DS-30X Tx channel into integrated voice and data bitstreams and transmit those bitstreams as Bi-Polar Return to Zero, Alternate Mark Inversion (BPRZ-AMI) data to the TCM loop. They also do the opposite: receive BPRZ-AMI bitstreams from the TCM loop and multiplex them onto the DS-30X Rx channel. The two digital line interface circuits together perform the multiplexing and demultiplexing functions for the 24 digital telephone lines.

The digital line interface circuits also contain signaling and control circuits that establish, supervise, and take down call connections. These circuits work with the on-card microcontroller to operate the digital line interface circuits during calls. The circuits receive outgoing call signaling messages from the CP and return incoming call status information to the CP over the DS-30X network loop.

As shown in Figure 3, the configuration of each digital line interface chip is such that one supports eight integrated voice/data ports plus eight voice only ports, and the other chip supports eight voice only ports. The result is a fixed configuration of sixteen voice only ports and eight integrated ports.

TCM loop interface circuit

Each digital phone line terminates on the 24-Port Digital Line card at a TCM loop interface circuit. The circuit provides transformer coupling and foreign voltage protection (up to 52 volts) between the TCM loop and the digital line interface circuit. It also provides battery voltage for the digital telephone set.

To prevent undesirable side effects from occurring when the TCM loop interface cannot provide the proper signals on the digital phone line, the card microcontroller can remove the ±15 V dc power supply from the TCM loop interfaces. This happens when either the microcontroller gets a command from the Controller card to shut down the channel or the 24-Port Digital Line card detects a loss of the 1 KHz frame synchronization signal. The ±15 V dc power supply signal is removed from all 24 TCM loop interface units at the same time.

Each TCM loop interface circuit can service loops up to 3500 ft. in length when using 24-gauge wire. They allow for a maximum AC signal loss of 15.5 dB at 256 KHz and a maximum DC loop resistance of 210 ohms.

Card control functions

Control functions are provided by a microcontroller and a card LAN link on the 24-Port Digital Line card. A sanity timer is provided to automatically reset the card if the microcontroller stops functioning for any reason.

Microcontroller

The 24-Port Digital Line card contains a microcontroller that manages the internal operation of the card and the serial card LAN link to the controller card. The microcontroller controls the following:

- reporting to the CE CP via the card LAN link:
    - line card status indication
    - card identification (card type, vintage, and serial number)
    - firmware version
    - self-test status
    - programmed configuration status

- receipt and implementation of card configuration:
    - programming of the digital line interfaces
    - enabling/disabling of individual units or entire card
    - programming of loop interface control circuits for administration of line interface unit operation
    - maintenance diagnostics

The microcontroller also controls the front panel LED when the card is enabled or disabled by instructions from the associated Controller card.

Card LAN interface

Maintenance data is exchanged with the common equipment CP over a dedicated asynchronous serial network called the card LAN link.

Sanity timer

The 24-Port Digital Line card also contains a sanity timer that resets the microcontroller if program control is lost. The microcontroller must service the sanity timer every 1.2 seconds. If the timer is not properly serviced, it times out and resets the microcontroller.

Circuit power

The ±15.0 V DC inputs to the card are used to power the loop interface circuits. The ±5.0 V DC inputs to the card are used to power the internal circuitry of the board.

Electrical specifications

This section lists the electrical characteristic of the 24-Port Digital Line card.

Digital line interface specifications

Table 60 provides specifications for the 24 digital line interfaces, and
Table 61 lists the maximum power consumed by the card.

Table 60
24-Port Digital Line card—line interface unit electrical characteristics

Characteristics	Description
Units per card	24 voice, 8 data
Line rate	512 kbps ± 100 kbps
Line impedance	100 ohms
Line length limits	0 to 1067 m (3500 ft.) with 24 AWG PVC cable (±15 V dc at 60 mA)
Maximum allowable signal path loss	15.5 dB at 256 KHz
Maximum allowable line resistance to DC	210 ohms
Transmitter output voltage:	
— successive "1" bits	+1.5 ± 0.15 V and −1.5 ± 0.15 V
— "0" bits	0 ± 50 mV

Power requirements

The 24-Port Digital Line card provides ±15 V DC over each loop at a maximum current of 60 mA. It requires +15 V, -15 V, and +5 V from the backplane.

Table 61
24-Port Digital Line card—power required

Voltage	Current (max.)
+5.0 V dc	220 mA
+15.0 V dc	1.44 Amp
−15.0 V dc	1.44 Amp

Foreign and surge voltage protections

In-circuit protection against power line crosses or lightning is not provided on the 24-Port Digital Line card. The 24-Port Digital Line card does, however, have protection against accidental shorts to -52 V DC analog lines.

When the card is used to service off-premise telephones, primary and secondary main distribution frame (MDF) protection must be installed. Off-premise telephones served by cable pairs routed through the central office, or crossing a public right-of-way, can be subject to a requirement for on-card protection, and MDF protectors may not be acceptable. Check local regulations before providing such service.

Environmental specifications

Table 62 shows the environmental specifications of the card.

Table 62
24-Port Digital Line card—environmental specifications

Parameter	Specifications
Operating temperature	0° to +45° C (+32 to +113° F), ambient
Operating humidity	5 to 90% RH (non-condensing)
Storage temperature	−40° to +70° C (−40° to +158° F)

Connector pin assignments

Table 63 shows the I/O pin designations at the backplane connector, which is arranged as an 80-row by 2-column array of pins. Normally, these pin positions are cabled to 50-pin connectors at the I/O panel in the rear of each module for connection with 25-pair cables to the MDF.

The information in Table 63 is provided as a reference and diagnostic aid at the backplane, since the cabling arrangement may vary at the I/O panel. See *System Installation Procedures* (553-3001-210) for cable pinout information for the I/O panel. Figure 60 shows a typical cross connection example.

Table 63
24-Port Digital Line card—backplane pinouts

Backplane Pinout*	Lead Designations	Backplane Pinout*	Lead Designations
12A	Line 0, Ring	12B	Line 0, Tip
13A	Line 1, Ring	13B	Line 1, Tip
14A	Line 2, Ring	14B	Line 2, Tip
15A	Line 3, Ring	15B	Line 3, Tip
16A	Line 4, Ring	16B	Line 4, Tip
17A	Line 5, Ring	17B	Line 5, Tip
18A	Line 6, Ring	18B	Line 6, Tip
19A	Line 7, Ring	19B	Line 7, Tip
62A	Line 8, Ring	62B	Line 8, Tip
63A	Line 9, Ring	63B	Line 9, Tip
64A	Line 10, Ring	64B	Line 10, Tip
65A	Line 11, Ring	65B	Line 11, Tip
66A	Line 12, Ring	66B	Line 12, Tip
67A	Line 13, Ring	67B	Line 13, Tip
*	These pinouts apply to the NT8D37 backplane		

Table 63
24-Port Digital Line card—backplane pinouts

Backplane Pinout*	Lead Designations	Backplane Pinout*	Lead Designations
68A	Line 14, Ring	68B	Line 14, Tip
69A	Line 15, Ring	69B	Line 15, Tip
72A	Line 16, Ring	72B	Line 16, Tip
73A	Line 17, Ring	73B	Line 17, Tip
74A	Line 18, Ring	74B	Line 18, Tip
75A	Line 19, Ring	75B	Line 19, Tip
76A	Line 20, Ring	76B	Line 20, Tip
77A	Line 21, Ring	77B	Line 21, Tip
78A	Line 22, Ring	78B	Line 22, Tip
79A	Line 23, Ring	79B	Line 23, Tip
*	These pinouts apply to the NT8D37 backplane		

Configuration

This section outlines the procedures for configuring the 24-Port Digital Line card and system software to properly recognize the card.

Backward Compatibility

The 24-Port Digital Line card is not fully backward compatible with the existing NT8D02 16-Port Digital Line Card. If the 24-Port Digital Line card replaces a NT8D02 16-Port Digital Line Card, units 0 - 15 are automatically converted. If the remaining units are configured as data units, they must be removed and then be re-configured in accordance with Table 7.

Jumper and switch settings

The 24-Port Digital Line card has no user-configurable jumpers or switches. The card derives its address from its position in the backplane and reports that information back to the Meridian 1 CP via the LAN Link interface.

Figure 60
24-Port Digital Line card—typical cross connection example
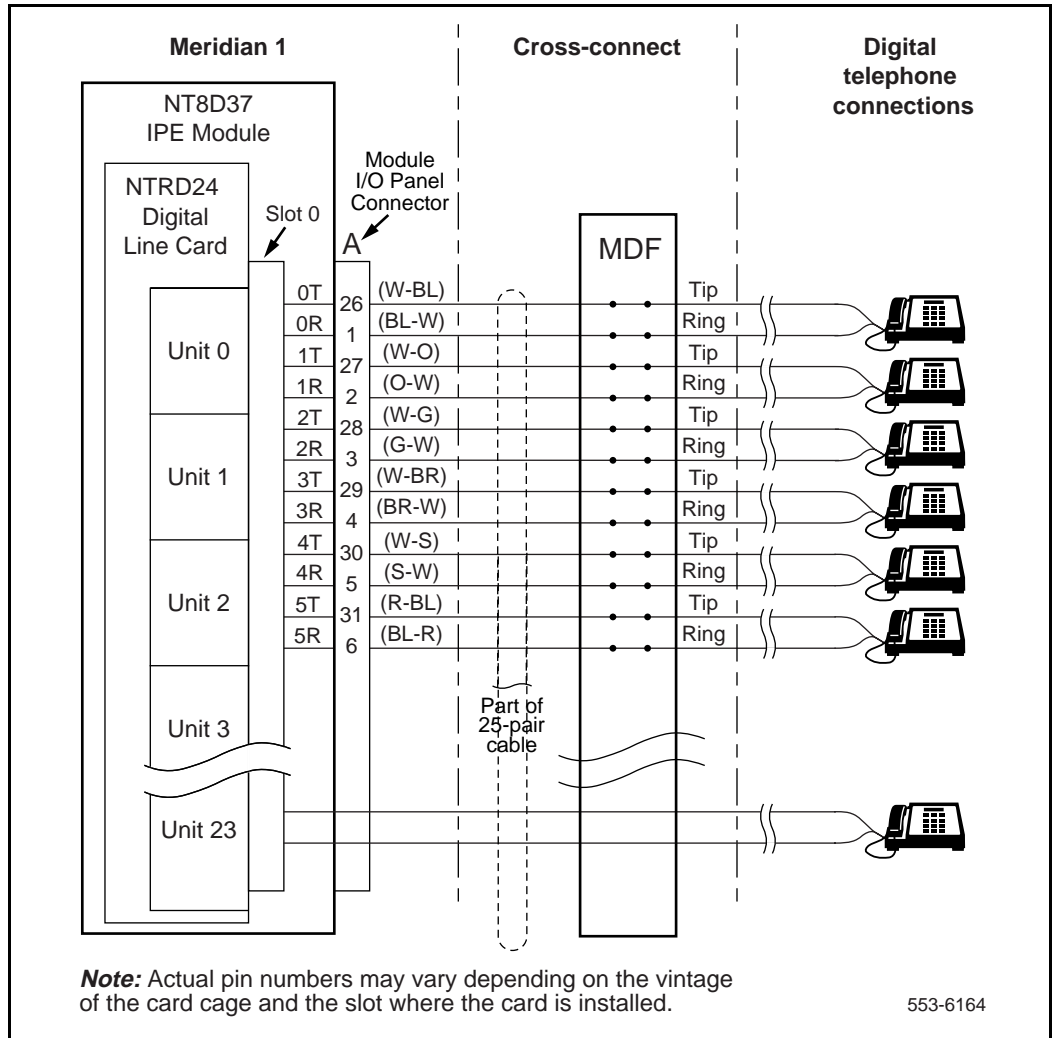
Meridian 1

NT8D37
IPE Module

NTRD24
Digital
Line Card

Slot 0

Module
I/O Panel
Connector

A

Unit 0

0T	26	(W-BL)
0R	1	(BL-W)
1T	27	(W-O)
1R	2	(O-W)
2T	28	(W-G)
2R	3	(G-W)
3T	29	(W-BR)
3R	4	(BR-W)
4T	30	(W-S)
4R	5	(S-W)
5T	31	(R-BL)
5R	6	(BL-R)

Unit 1

Unit 2

Unit 3

Unit 23

Cross-connect

Part of
25-pair
cable

MDF

**Digital
telephone
connections**

Tip
Ring
Tip
Ring
Tip
Ring
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Tip
Ring

Note: Actual pin numbers may vary depending on the vintage
of the card cage and the slot where the card is installed.

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Software service changes

Voice and data ports are configured using the Meridian Digital Telephone
Administration program (LD 11).

The 24-Port Digital Line card introduces a new prompt in Overlay 11. The CTYP prompt appears when configuring the first unit between 16 - 23 on a digital line card (24- or 16-port Digital Line card).   Units 0 - 15 are always allocated a class-of-service of VCE for voice only application. Units 16 - 23 are also assigned a VCE class-of-service, but may be paired with units 24 - 31, which are always allocated a data only class-of-service of DTA. To configure a voice or data TN, use the following table.

Table 64
Configuring a TN

Prompt	Response	Comment
REQ:	NEW	Request = NEW
TYPE:	a...a	Type of digital telephone
TN	l s c u	Terminal Number
CDEN	8D	Card Density (aa = SD, DD, 4D, or 8D)
DES	d...d	System Station Designator
CTYP	XDLC EDLC	Card type 16-port DLC Card type 24-port EDLC
CUST	0 -99	Customer number associated with this set
CLS	VCE/DTA	Voice Class of service (VCE for units 0 -23, DTA for units 24 - 31)

List of terms

BIMP

Balance Impedance

CCITT

International Telegraph and Telephone Consultive Committee

CID

Caller Identification

CLS

Class of service

CO

Central office

COS

Class of service

CP

Core processor

CPE

Customer Premise Equipment

CSU

Channel Service Unit

DTMF

Dual-tone multi-frequency

ICL

       Inserted connection loss

IPE

       Intelligent peripheral equipment

LAN

       Local area network

LED

       Light emitting diode

MDF

       Main Distribution Frame

MMI

       Man-Machine Interface

ONP

       On-premise class of service

ONS

       On-premises set (station)

OPS

       Off-premises set (station)

OPX

       Off-premise class of service

PBX

       Private branch exchange

PCM

       Pulse code modulation

PSTN

       Public Switched Telephone Network

PE

Peripheral equipment

PSN

Public switched network

PSTN

Public switched telephone network

REN

Ringer equivalence numbers

RH

Relative humidity

Rsync

Ring synchronization

TCN

Time compression multiplexed

TIMP

Termination impedance

TN

Terminal number

WATS

Wide-Area Transmission Service

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