

CDM-Qx Satellite Modem

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A new software release is now available for the CDM-Qx Multi-Channel Modem with DoubleTalk™ Carrier-in-Carrier™. Below is a summary of the new functionality offered in Version 1.2.1, which can be downloaded from our web site.

DoubleTalk Carrier-in-Carrier Licensing – 1:1 Redundancy

DoubleTalk Carrier-in-Carrier 1:1 redundant operation (within same chassis) requires two DoubleTalk Carrier-in-Carrier licenses.

At 2.5 Mbps or below, each modem in the redundant configuration requires a DoubleTalk Carrier-in-Carrier license from the same tier. This allows traffic to be automatically switched between the modems. If the licenses do not match, traffic will be limited to the lower of the two DoubleTalk Carrier-in-Carrier licenses

Above 2.5 Mbps, the backup modem does not require a license from the same tier. A 2.5 Mbps DoubleTalk Carrier-in-Carrier license can be paired with a 5, 10, or 20 Mbps DoubleTalk Carrier-in-Carrier license and still allow traffic to be switched at the higher tier's data rate.

The following table summarizes the minimum licensing requirements:

Maximum Data Rate	Online Modem License	Backup Modem License		
512 kbps	512 kbps	512 kbps		
	LS/CDMQX-11	LS/CDMQX-12		
1 Mbps	1 Mbps	1 Mbps		
	LS/CDMQX-12	LS/CDMQX-22		
2.5 Mbps	2.5 Mbps	2.5 Mbps		
	LS/CDMQX-13	LS/CDMQX-23		
5 Mbps	5 Mbps	2.5 Mbps		
	LS/CDMQX-14	LS/CDMQX-23		
10 Mbps	10 Mbps	2.5 Mbps		
-	LS/CDMQX-15	LS/CDMQX-23		
20 Mbps	20 Mbps	2.5 Mbps		
	LS/CDMQX-16	LS/CDMQX-23		

Note: The minimum symbol rate for DoubleTalk Carrier-in-Carrier operation is 128 ksps.

Conversely, the following table summarizes the <u>maximum</u> DoubleTalk Carrier-in-Carrier data rate if a chassis is set up for 1:1 operation:

License 1 ▶	512 kbps	1 Mbps	2.5 Mbps	5 Mbps	10 Mbps	20 Mbps
License 2 ▼						
None	-	ı	-	-	ı	-
512 kbps	512 kbps	512 kbps	512 kbps	512 kbps	512 kbps	512 kbps
1 Mbps	512 kbps	1 Mbps				
2.5 Mbps	512 kbps	1 Mbps	2.5 Mbps	5 Mbps	10 Mbps	20 Mbps
5 Mbps	512 kbps	1 Mbps	5 Mbps	5 Mbps	10 Mbps	20 Mbps
10 Mbps	512 kbps	1 Mbps	10 Mbps	10 Mbps	10 Mbps	20 Mbps
20 Mbps	512 kbps	1 Mbps	20 Mbps	20 Mbps	20 Mbps	20 Mbps

The shaded cells indicate the "preferred configuration" (lowest cost) from the customer's perspective.

Management Protocols

The CDM-Qx Multi-Channel Modem now supports IP-based management protocols, including:

- Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP)
- Web browser (http)
- Telnet

This provides added flexibility in managing the CDM-Qx in an IP-based management environment.

Spectrum Analyzer

The CDM-Qx offers a built-in Spectrum Analyzer. In order to utilize this useful tool, it was previously required that the DoubleTalk Carrier-in-Carrier license be purchased and enabled. The Spectrum Analyzer function is now available as a standard feature. It can be viewed using a stand-alone Windowsbased application or a web browser.

A demodulator in the CDM-Qx chassis can be used to view the spectrum or the constellation map. However, in this mode the demodulator is not available for user data.





Figure 1. Spectrum Display

Figure 2. Constellation Display

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