UNSHIELDED TWISTED PAIR

A. The twisted-pair network port on the Ethernet adapter board is a modular, RJ-45 eight-pin socket. Each end of the twisted-pair network interface cable (supplied with the adapter board) has a mating, RJ-45, eight-pin modular plug.

B. 10BaseT Twisted-Pair Interconnection The following items are required to interconnect the network computers to a 10BaseT twisted pair network.

- 1. A twisted-pair interface cable for each computer
- 2. A local concentrator for interconnecting computers or a wall jack wired for 10BaseT twisted-pair cable that leads to a concentrator in a wiring closet or other location
- 3. Insert the modular plug at one end of the interface cable into the RJ-45 twisted-pair wire network port at the back of the computer.
- 4. Attach the other end of the interface cable to an input port of a compatible concentrator (10BaseT) or wall jack.
- C. Link Status

When the computer has been connected to a concentrator port and both systems are powered on, verify the connection by observing the green link integrity LED indicator provided above the twisted-pair network port on the adapter board.

- 1. The LED is not visible after reassembling the computer.
- 2. When a valid connection exists, the LEDs at the adapter board and the concentrator are lit. The status LED can be checked at the concentrator end only.
- 3. If the LEDs are not lit and the computer and concentrator are powered on, check the modular plug connection at the adapter board and at the concentrator and all wiring.
- 4. The polarity status LED is "on" if the polarity of the twisted-pair receive wires is normal. It is "off" if the polarity is reversed. The adapter automatically corrects for reversed polarity.
- D. Using Existing Phone Cable

Telephone wiring can be used if it meets minimum standards and all wall jacks are wired correctly.

1. The following specs are requirements:

Unshielded, twisted-wire pairs (2 pairs) 22,24,26 guage Characteristic impedance of 85-110 Ohms at 10MHz Maximum attenuation of 11.5 dB/100 meters at 10MHz Maximum attenuation of 7.2 dB/100 meters at 5 MHz RJ-45 modular plugs: Molex 90075-0037, or equivalent Crimper tool: Molex 11-01-0026 or equivalent RJ-45 modular wall socket: Molex 95015-0003 or equiv.

2. Telephone-type cable, commonly known as "silver satin" is NOT ACCEPTABLE. Silver satin cable is flat and typically has a silver vinyl jacket. Use of silver satin can cause a false data collision on the network.

3. The arrangement of twisted-pairs at the wall jack in a typical telephone installation are usually not acceptable for network signal transmission. The two twisted-wire pairs required for network signals MUST be wired to the wall jack in the following arrangement:

Wire Pair	Color Code	Function	Modular Wall Pin #
1	orange/white band	network signals	2
1	white/orange band	network signals	1
2	green/white band	network signals	6
2	white/green band	network signals	3
3	blue/white band	telephone	4
	white/blue band	telephone	5
4	solid gray	telephone	8
	solid orange	telephone	7

- 4. Pair 1 attach to pins 1 & 2 Pair 2 attach to pins 3 & 4 The twisted-wire pairs for telephone signals (if used) are attached to the remaining pins.
- 5. Determine which conductors are twisted together, record the wire colors for each pair and note the pin to which each wire is attached.
- Network interconnections are usually in a wiring closet. You must be able to identify and separate the conductors carrying network signals from the conductors used for telephone operation.
- 7. The color code and wire-pair management will vary from one manufacturer to another.

E. Interface Cable Wiring

The twisted-pair interface cable provided has an 8-pin modular plug at each end that mates with the twisted-pair network port on the LAN adapter board and with an RJ-45 modular wall jack.

- F. Wiring Closet Termination
 - 1. If you are using existing wiring:
 - A. Concentrators are typically mounted inside the wiring closet, where the phone conductors are terminated at a wiring panel.
 - B. A segment of twisted-pair wire is attached to the conductors from each network computer at the terminator panel and plugged into a concentrator port.
 - 2. If you are installing a new network cable:
 - A. The wire pairs for each computer may be attached directly to an RJ-45 plug and connected to a concentrator port.
 - B. The wire pairs may also be terminated at a wiring panel (or other termination device) and then connected to a 10BaseT concentrator port through a twisted-pair wire

segment that has an RJ-45 plug at one end.

- G. Concentrators
 - 1. This adapter, when used with twisted-pair cable, MUST always connect to a concentrator.
 - A. This results in a star-wired network with the concentrator at the center of the star.
 - B. This adapter is compatible with the Ethernet 12-Port Twisted Pair Hub (260-5543).
 - 2. By changing a jumper on the adapter it is also compatible with the AT&T and HP "StarLAN 10" twisted-pair signaling method by using software setup.
- H. StarLAN 10 Concentrators
 - AT&T and HP StarLAN 10 compatible adapters operate over StarLAN-type wiring and use 10 Mbps Ethernet speeds and protocols.
 - A. Original StarLAN products do not provide the Link Integrity feature required by the 10BaseT standard.
 - B. This adapter can operate with existing StarLAN 10 products that do not have Link Integrity, providing the Link Integrity Test function on the adapter is disabled.
 - To disable the Link Integrity test function, run the software setup program and select StarLAN10 = yes.
 - When StarLAN10 mode is turned on, automatic selection between AUI and UTP is disabled and the adapter remains in UTP mode.

STANDARD (THICK) ETHERNET CABLE

- A. The AUI (Attachment Unit Interface) port is used to attach an Ethernet AUI drop-cable to the Ethernet adapter. The dropcable must also be attached to a trunk coaxial cable through a standard Ethernet transceiver.
- B. The AUI port connects to a media attachment unit (MAU). The MAU acts as the interface to an Ethernet network using thick cable or any Ethernet medium.
- C. The adapter's standard Ethernet port can also be used for operation with other types of cabling such as fiber-optic.
- D. Connecting to Other Ethernet Media
 - 1. Attach a drop-cable to the Ethernet adapter's AUI port on the first computer to be connected. A sliding latch is provided on the AUI port that locks the cable to the connector.
 - 2. Connect the other end of the AUI drop-cable to a transceiver for the media being used. Secure with the sliding latch.
 - Attach all the computers and segments to the main or "spine" Ethernet cable the same way.
 - 4. Use a signal repeater to attach each additional cable segment of "rib" (500 meters each, maximum).
 - 5. Attach a 50-Ohm cable terminator at each end of every cable segment.

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