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## MODEL 1273 FSK KFYFR/DFMODULATOR



## **FEATURES**

May be used as a half or full duplex device, or an independent Keyer or Demodulator.

Highly stable and accurate tone keyer output.

Demodulator has active filter input for improved noise rejection.

Low power consumption.

## **GENERAL**

The Model 1273 provides a full or half duplex connection between a digital data device and a communications channel. The unit is intended primarily to interface a data terminal to an HF radio channel.

### APPLICATIONS

Outstanding performance is realized in the demodulator section, for signals derived from the HF radio band, due to independent detection of the mark and space tones. "AM" detection of this redundant data has been acknowledged, by both amateur and professional RTTY operators, to be superior to "FM" detection techniques. Wide dynamic range is obtained without the use of limiter circuits. This makes possible good reception of signals with low signal-to-noise ratios and offsets the normal deleterious effects of frequency selective fading which

## APPLICATIONS (CONT)

normally plagues HF radio reception. FEC has a long and highly successful history with design of equipment of this nature.

The tone keyer section has also been designed with the requirements of an HF radio circuit in mind. This section features excellent frequency stability and accuracy, spectral purity, and close output level control. All are highly desirable for TTY, FSK operation on HF paths.

The Model 1273 modem may be used in any situation where conversion of digital data to FSK signals and the inverse are required. This includes long distance hard wire circuits and storage or retrieval of audio data from magnetic tapes.

The equivalent of quad-diversity performance is realized by connecting two separate antenna/receiver/demodulator set-ups together. This is easily accomplished by connecting three wires from one Model 1273 to the other. No further equipment, such as a diversity combiner, is required.

## DESIGN

The Model 1273 uses all solid-state modular circuitry, packaged on plug-in printed circuit boards. Access to the plug-in modules is provided by an easily removable top cover. The unit is suitable for fixed or slidemounting in a standard 19" equipment rack.

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## **SPECIFICATIONS**

## ELECTRICAL

## TONE KEYER SECTION

KEYING RATE - Up to 1200 baud.

INPUT SIGNALS/CIRCUITS - Selectable for: Low level, MIL-STD-188C or EIA-STD-RS-232-C; High level, polar current loop of 20 ma at up to ±65 vdc or neutral 20/60 ma loop at up to 130 vdc.

OUTPUT CIRCUITS - Isolated and balanced, 600 ohms or 10K ohms, isolated and balanced.

OUTPUT SIGNALS - (Determined by plug-in crystals.) Audio tones between 400 and 3500 Hz and employing shifts of 60 to 2000 Hz. Output level is adjustable from -45 dbm to +4 dbm. Variations between carriers at 0 dbm output less than  $\pm$ .25 dbm. Frequency stability is better than  $\pm$ .5 Hz. Waveform is phase coherant within 1% and contains less than 2% total harmonic distortion.

## DEMODULATOR SECTION

KEYING RATE - Up to 1200 baud, but dependent upon tone frequencies and shift parameters.

INPUT CIRCUIT - Isolated and balanced, 600 ohms or 10K ohms, isolated and balanced.

INPUT SIGNALS - Audio tones between 400 and 3500 Hz at a nominal 0 dbm. The dynamic range is -50 dbm to +12 dbm. However signals above 0 dbm will be limited. Shifts of 170 Hz to 2000 Hz may be accommodated, but are dependent upon keying speeds. Also accepts ON/OFF keyed CW.

OUTPUT SIGNALS/CIRCUITS - Standard output signals which are compatable with EIA-STD-232-C or MIL-STD-188C. TTY current loop keyers are optional plug-in assemblies which may be used to key polar or neutral loops of up to 100 ma at 130 vdc. Low impedance diversity connections are also provided. Bandpass filter outputs are available at the rear panel to drive tuning aids and display devices.

#### PHYSICAL

DIMENSIONS - 19 inches wide (48.3 cm), 17 inches deep (43.2 cm), 1-3/4 inches high (4.4 cm).

MOUNTING - Mounts directly into a 19-inch rack or slide mounting.

FINISH - All front panel lettering is engraved and filled; paint is light gray semigloss, chassis is clear anodized aluminum.

WEIGHT - Approximately 7.5 pounds (3.4 kg).

SERVICING - By removal of top cover.

POWER REQUIREMENTS - 115/230 vac, 50-400 Hz at approximately 10 watts.

ENVIRONMENTAL - Operating temperature range 0° to 50° C; storage -40° to 80° C ambient. Relative humidity - 0 to 95% (non-condensing). Atmospheric pressure - sea-level to 15,000 feet (4.57 km).