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MacTerminal: Resets AppleLink Settings Under MultiFinder

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TOPIC -----

I'm running MacTerminal 2.2 and AppleLink 4.0 together (under MultiFinder). If I do offline tasks under MacTerminal, then try to go back and reconnect to AppleLink, I get a message that the modem is not responding.

DISCUSSION -----

When AppleLink is loaded, it sets up the modem port for its own use. This includes setting the baud rate and the number of stop bits, parity, and data bits.

When MacTerminal is loaded, it does the same thing, changing the settings that AppleLink made. When you quit MacTerminal and go back to AppleLink and try to connect, AppleLink reports an error, because it expects the modem port to be set up the way it left it. The only way around this is to quit and reload AppleLink.

MultiFinder is not able to prevent programs from communicating with the serial ports. This is not a design flaw; users must be aware that running two or more communications programs under MultiFinder will most likely cause a problem similar to this.

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