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TOPIC -----

I'm trying to use HyperCard 2.x's dial command to operate my modem, as described in the manual. I'm using the command:

```
dial "2551212" with modem "ATSO=0DT"
```

My GeoPort modem picks up and starts to dial, but then hangs up after 3 numbers. What's happening?

DISCUSSION -----

Starting with HyperCard 2.1, a new global property named "dialingTime" controls the amount of time the serial port will be kept open after a dial command. By default, this is set to 3 seconds. You can increase the time, as shown in the following sample script:

```
on mouseUp
  set the dialingTime to 600 -- (600 ticks = 10 seconds)
  dial "2551212" with modem "ATSO=0DT"
end mouseUp
```

For more information about the AT modem commands which can be used with your modem, consult your modem documentation.

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