

LOSSLESS ELECTROCARDIOGRAM COMPRESSION TECHNIQUE AND GSM BASED TELE-CARDIOLOGY APPLICATION

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Abstract- Software based efficient lossless Electrocardiogram compression and transmission scheme is proposed here. The algorithm has been tested to various ECG data taken from PTB Diagnostic ECG Database. The compression scheme is such that it outputs only ASCII characters. These characters are transmitted using Global System for Mobile Communication based Short Message Service system and at the receiving end original ECG signal is brought back using the reverse logic of compression. It is observed that the proposed algorithm offers a moderate to high compression ratio (7.18) without any alteration of clinical information (PRD = 0.023%) with an excellent Quality Score (312.17).

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