



## SIGNALS+SOFTWARE

# ETSI FR-GSM Speech Coder



### Processor

Texas Instruments TMS320C5000 DSP range.

### Background

The algorithm implemented is the ETSI Full-Rate (FR) GSM recommendation, digital mobile telephone system. The encoder compresses linear-PCM (Pulse Code Modulated), narrowband speech input data, at a sample rate of 8kHz, to 13 000 bps, and uses a Regular Pulse Excitation with Long-Term Prediction (RPE-LTP) algorithm. The software will include voice activity detection, error concealment, and discontinuous transmission facilities.

The FR-GSM algorithm implements silence compression techniques to reduce the transmitted bit rate during the silent intervals of speech. Systems allowing discontinuous transmission (DTX) are based on Voice Activity Detection (VAD) algorithms and Comfort Noise Generator (CNG) algorithms that allows the insertion of Silence Insertion Descriptor (SID) frames during the silence intervals. This also provides the additional advantage of using lower processing loads and DSP bandwidth resource during silence frames.

### Features and Performance

- TI eXpressDSP™ software is available
- 12 channels of FR-GSM on 40MHz device
- Less than 9Kbytes program memory required
- Passes all ETSI FR-GSM test vectors.

FR-GSM	Program Memory		Data Memory			Processing Load (MHz)
	Code (Kbytes)	Tables (Kbytes)	Tables (Kbytes)	Stack Memory (Kbytes)	Static Memory (Kbytes)	
Encoder	6.33	0.03	0.38	1.14	n *0.86	n * 2.34
Decoder	2.94	0.03	0.20	0.34	n *0.61	n * 0.80
Encoder + Decoder	8.75	0.05	0.44	1.14	n *1.46	n * 3.14

**Table 1 : DSP Requirements for FR-GSM**

**Note:** Processing loads quote worst-case scenarios with n representing the number of channels.  
Program memory table values are initialisation values. Kbytes equals 1024 bytes.

### Technical Notes

The following ETSI specifications will be implemented: 06.10 (speech transcoding), 06.11 (substitution and muting of lost frames), 06.12 (comfort noise), 06.31 (discontinuous transmission) and 06.32 (voice activity detection).

### Interface Details

The eXpressDSP™ FR-GSM software uses an interface defined by **SIGNALS+SOFTWARE** that is similar to the other vocoder interfaces specified by Texas Instruments in the eXpressDSP™ developer's kit.

The software is also available in a non-eXpressDSP version with a basic multi-channel interface. The DSP requirements for this version are similar to those given in Table 1.

### Availability

The code is available now, for a one-off payment and/or royalties depending on the commercial application.

Software for the TMS320C5000 is available for an extensive range of vocoders including G.711, G.723.1, G.728, G.729, G.729A, G.729B, G.729AB, and for other communication algorithms. FR-GSM is also available for the TMS320C6000.

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