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Abstract—Breath pressure is a very common measurement parameter of health intelligent products. In this paper, piezoresistive bridge air pressure sensor is used as data acquisition component. Using precision instrument amplifier and adjusting circuit amplifier as signal processing unit, STM32f103c8t6 control system is data processing unit. Optimize the circuit design of instrument amplifier, Overcome the weak signal and the temperature drift error and nonlinear error, Complete the hardware system design of respiratory pressure detection, amplification, control and display system.

Keywords:Piezoresistive bridge; Sensor; Instrument amplifier; STM32

I. INTRODUCTION

With the progress of science and technology and the improvement of living standards, people pay more and more attention to health. Intelligent health electronic products are emerging. There is also an increasing number of analog signals for human health monitoring. These simulated signals include blood oxygen, blood pressure, breathing pressure, etc. All kinds of human health and exercise data are future health products testing objectives. Respiratory pressure as a very important and typical simulation monitoring volume is very important representative and universal. The accuracy of the breathing pressure measurement directly affects the subsequent control and judgment. At the same time, sensors are also evolving to intelligent, miniaturized, and various MEMS devices are developing rapidly. The piezoelectric effect transforms the pressure signal into an electrical signal. Pressure-resisting pressure sensors have many advantages in process manufacturing, cost, sensitivity and long-term stability. As a classic structure of pressure-resisting sensors, Wheatstone bridge has a common application scenario. In this paper, STM32F103C8T6 is selected as the control core of the data acquisition system, completes the processing, control and display of data, selects NXP's pressure sensor MPXC201DT1 to collect air pressure data, and AD623 instrumentation amplifier as differential amplifier. The key to the design of data acquisition system is to overcome the common mode error of weak signal, bias voltage, bias current and various noise in the operation and operation circuit.The optimal design and performance research of the air pressure detection circuit around the instrument amplifier is very necessary and is also the key to the whole data acquisition system.

II. HARDWARE SYSTEM DESIGN

A. Overall Structure of Hardware System

The STM32F103C8T6 is a 32-bit Microprocessor based on the ARM Cortex-M core STM32 series, with a program memory capacity of 64KB, a voltage of 2V-3.6V, and a operating temperature of -40C-85C. According to the system functional requirements, the function block diagram of the air pressure data acquisition system is shown in Figure 1:



Figure 1. System function block diagram

B. Air Pressure Sensor Data Acquisition System Design

Because the data collected by the sensor itself is in millivolt level, and the various sources of error from the outside world have a greater impact on the measurement results. Therefore, eliminating the error of current and the current noise of the amplifier itself is the key to the design of the data acquisition system.

The inside of the instrumentation amplifier itself is current-driven and rear-protected. The AD623 is a low-cost, high-precision instrumentation amplifier that requires only one external resistor to set the gain, with a gain range of 1 to 10000. The AD623 is available in an 8-pin SOIC and DIP package, smaller than discrete circuit designs and has lower power consumption (maximum operating current of only 1.3mA), making it ideal for battery-powered and portable applications. The AD623 is ideal for precision data acquisition systems such as scales and sensor interfaces with high accuracy (maximum non-linearity of 40ppm), low offset voltage and low offset drift. In addition, the AD623 has low noise, low input bias currents and low power consumption, making it ideal for medical applications such as ECG and non-invasive blood pressure monitors. In this paper, a single-supply-powered AD623 is selected as the *amplification unit of* system data acquisition. The overall design of the system is shown in Figure 2.



Figure 2. Overall system design

- In this data pressure data acquisition system, the pressure sensor uses NXP's pressure-resisting sensor MPX2300DT1. The sensor has a certain price advantage, it self-contained Wheatstone bridge and temperature compensation and calibration circuit, to complete the acquisition of weak air pressure signal.
- The design is optimized around the instrument amplifier AD623 to reduce the various noise and bias voltage currents of the circuit.

First, the common mode suppression ratio (CMRR) of the instrument amplifier itself alone is not sufficient to provide robust noise suppression in harsh industrial use environments, and to avoid the propagation of excess noise signals, it is essential to properly match and adjust the components in the instrument input low-pass filter. Ultimately, internal electromagnetic interference/radio frequency interference (EMI/RFI) filtering and CMRR work together to reduce other noise to achieve an acceptable signal-to-noise ratio (SNR). Amplification of pressure sensors or temperature sensor signals is a common application of instrumentation amplifiers. Due to the RF rectifier inside the instrument amplifier itself, there is a strong RF interference until the offset affecting the DC output voltage, and the most practical way to solve this type of problem is to use differential low pass filter as the RF attenuation filter at the front of the instrument amplifier. This circuit designs a balanced RC low-pass filter circuit at the front end of the AD623 to do attenuation.

Second, a simple RC low-pass anti-aliasing filter is usually used between the output of the instrumentation amplifier and the input of the ADC to reduce off-band noise. If the reference input pin of the instrumentation amplifier is connected directly to a simple divider, the symmetry of the subtractor circuit and the voltage divider ratio are changed. It also reduces the common mode suppression ratio of the instrumentation amplifier and its gain accuracy. This circuit provides a low-power op amp buffer OPA177 between the voltage divider and the instrumentation amplifier reference input. The op amp buffer acts as an active filter, which allows the use of capacitors with much smaller capacitances to decouple to the same large power supply. In addition, active filters can be used to increase the Q value to speed up the on-time, eliminate the problem of impedance matching and temperature coefficient matching, and make it easy to adjust the reference voltage. The single-supply op amp circuit requires a bias common mode input voltage amplitude to control the forward and negative swings of the AC signal. When the bias voltage is provided using the divider from the supply voltage, proper decoupling is required to ensure the performance of the PSR. C3, C4, C5 and other decoupling capacitors are designed in the circuit.

Finally, between the AD input pins of the AD623 and THE STM32F103, the Max274, creates a low-pass filter to further attenuate the high-frequency noise generated by the circuit. Using the REF3020 standard regulator chip to provide a stable 2.048V reference voltage, the voltage reference end Vref provided to SMT32F103, to provide reference voltage for AD conversion. At the same time, the reference voltage outputs the measured voltage of 3.006MV at full scale. If the voltage is 5V output at full-scale, the voltage is approximately 2.5MV. The AD623 has a magnification of 100 and a full-scale measurement of approximately 2.298V, based on a reference voltage of 2.048V, to meet the measurement requirements.

C. Power Supply Module Design

The entire system operates at 5V and 3.3V voltage conditions, the USB interface provides 5V power supply, the LM1117MP for steady voltage output of 3.3V voltage, providing the system put most of the 5V voltage and 3.3V supply voltage of 32-bit processor.



Figure 3. Power supply

D. Display Module Design

The display module is 0.96 inch OLED module , which is connected to the SMT32F103C8T6 via the I2C interface. The interface design of the display interface to the ARM processor is shown in Figure 4.



Figure 4. OLED display interface circuit

E. Bluetooth Module Design

Data acquisition terminal sized with a dedicated HC05 Bluetooth module to realize the data interaction with other terminals in local networking and mobile phone APP.



Figure 5. Bluetooth module

III. CONCLUSIONS

The system design is based on the Control Core of SMT32F103C8T6, uses the NXP pressure sensor MPX2300DT1 for data acquisition, optimizes the design around the single-supply instrument amendumeter amplifier AD623, and completes the design of the system hardware system. Measurement accuracy meets the technical requirements of general health equipment and consumes low power.

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