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THE MICROCOMPUTOR MEASUREMENT AND CONTROL SYSTEM  
FOR PERFORMANCE TEST OF COMPRESSOR

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ABSTRACT

According ISO1217 standard and methods of performance test for general displacement air compressor of China, a microcomputer measurement and control system for performance test of compressor has been set up. All the test can be carried out without manual interference, it has been realized collecting and treating data automatically. Using some hardware and software steps, the accuracy and repetition of directly collected datum were keeping with the standard. The compressor discharge pressure was controlled by 6522 parallel input-and-output interface, step-by-step motor and governing valve. Because manual adjusting, artificial collecting and manual treating have been avoided, the system has saved manual work and time. The accuracy and reliability of the test got better.

NOMENCLATURE

$M_i$ : instantaneous change rate of mass flowing into the receiver  
 $M_o$ : instantaneous change rate of mass flowing out the receiver  
 $\frac{dM}{dt}$ : instantaneous change rate of mass in the receiver  
 $K_g$ : constant related with the work condition of the receiver  
 $K_p$ : constant related with the stable pressure  
 $K_f$ : constant related with the opening of the throttling valve  
 $\Delta F$ : variation quantity of the opening of the throttling valve  
 $\Delta U$ : control quantity of adjustment  
 $T_i$ : accumulative time  
 $T$ : sampling time of microcomputer  
 $T_{s1}, T_{d1}$ : suction and discharge temperature of primary stage  
 $T_{s2}, T_{d2}$ : suction and discharge temperature of secondary stage  
 $P_d$ : discharge pressure of primary stage  
 $P_{s1}, P_{d2}$ : suction and discharge pressure of secondary stage  
 $T_1$ : temperature before the flow measurement orifice plate  
 $H$ : pressure difference of the flow measurement orifice plate

## INTRODUCTION

according to ISO-1217 standard, the performance test of compressor would be carried out with conversion method, all the test result would be read and treat by manual. These would waste manual work and time, it is very difficult to measure the datum simultaneity and accurately. With improvement of measurement technology and using of computer, we have researched and produced a microcomputer measurement and control system for performance test of compressor. So the test can proceeded with automatically controlling of microcomputer without manual interference. When the test end, we can get the measurement result and all kind of tables that were demanded.

## CONSISTING OF THE SYSTEM

The system mainly consisted with four parts: Apple - 11(E) microcomputer, transduce - amplifier part, input-output channels and work condition control part. The transduces included semiconductor P-N model temperature transduces, silicon pressural-resistance pressductor, magnet-electrical rotating torque and speed transduce. The signal of temperature and pressure were amplified and conducted to A/D converter, the signal of torque and revolution were send out from the digital quantity output channel of PYIA rotating torque and speed meter, than they were conducted to microcomputer through Mn card. The control system was consisted by 6522 parallel input-output card, step-by-step motor and power of step-by-step motor, governing valve. The sketch of system shown in Fig 1.

## CONTROL OF DISCHARGE PRESSURE OF COMPRESSOR

In the standard, the compressor discharge pressure was controlled with the receiver pressure, the maximum relative deviation between measured pressure ratio and set pressure ratio must be less than 1.0%, the maximum allowable fluctuation from average must be less than 0.5%. In conventional test, we must adjust the fine adjustment valve of discharge system by manual to keep the measurement datum in accessible range. And now, we have researched and produced a government system to control the pressure, it can satisfy the demand of the standard.

1: Adjustment dynamic character of the receiver

In Fig 2, there is a receiver, the gas was discharged by compressor and send into the receiver, the receiver delivered the gas through the throttling valve. Since the pressure(P) of the receiver must be constant ,the pressure was adjustment quantity.

If the receiver was in a equilibrium state, the gas fluid flowing into the receiver ( $M_i$ ) would be equal to the gas fluid flowing out the receiver ( $M_o$ ). In time T, the  $M_i$  suddenly increased a quantity  $\Delta M_i$ , the gas fluid flowing into the receiver would be more than the flowing out, the receiver pressure also increased. In the result of increasing of pressure, the fluid flowing through the valve  $M_o$  would increase, and the fluid  $M_i$  would decrease. Just shown in Fig 3. The pressure P increase, the difference between  $M_i$  and  $M_o$  would be less, the variation in speed of pressure (P) would become less. At end,  $M_i$  would be equal to  $M_o$ , and the pressure (P) would be stability. In this describe, the pressure (P) was adjustment quantity, the change of the pressure influence  $M_i$  and  $M_o$ , that is, both flowing into portion and flowing out portion, there are self-equilibrium.

we can also describe the receiver with mathematic method. The receiver volume is control volume, the mass conservation equation of a variable-mass system is:

$$M_i - M_o = \frac{dM}{dt} \quad (1)$$

the mass fluid  $M_o$  could be decribed with relation of a mesurement orifice plate.  $M_o$  related with the valid flowing area and the thermodynamic state of the receiver, it was non-linear relation between them. but in vicinity of stability pressure, we can express the non-linear relation with linear relation, and write into Taylor series expansion; the change rate of mass in the receiver was depended on the variation of the pressure (P), that can calculated from the state equation. So equation (1) could be:

$$\frac{k_g}{k_p} \cdot \frac{d(\Delta P)}{dt} + \Delta P = - \frac{\Delta M_i}{k_p} - \frac{k_f}{k_p} \quad (2)$$

The equation express; the variation of  $\Delta M_i$  and  $\Delta P$  would cause the change of the pressure, the relation both them is index number mode.

## 2: Action of regulator

The input signal of the regulator was the difference between adjustable quantity and the set pressure, the out-put signal of the regulator was remove of the regulator system (in that, it is throttling valve). these is a relationship between the output and input. The general relationship are double-bit-acting, proportion-acting, intergal-acting, differential-acting or multiplicity of them.

For the relation shown as equation 2, it would be a satisfied result using a proproation(P)-intergal(I) regulator.

PI regulator is a kind of linear regulator, the difference between the set quantity(S) and practical output quantity(Y) will be control quantity(E=S-Y). It will be realized PI regulating with linear composed of proportion and intergal relation. the control law of the regulator just like that;

$$\Delta U = K ( E + \frac{1}{T_i} \int_0^t E dt ) \quad (3)$$

computer control is a kind of sampling control, and the governing part is step-by-step motor, so the additional quantity of the regulator can be calculated like that;

$$\Delta U = U_i - U_{i-1} = K ( E_i - E_{i-1} + \frac{T}{T_i} E_i ) \quad (4)$$

To determand the control quantity  $U_i$ , we must decide the proportion facter sampling period time T and intergal time  $T_i$ . With many times field expermant, we can get the three parameter, the result of adjustmant would be satisfied.

### 3: Composition of control system

The sketch picture of receiver pressure control system shown in Fig 4. In the picture , the CPU of microcomputer take the role of digital regulator, the 6522 card is a programible interface and it worked in out-put state. With control of microcomputer, the out-put electrical level "1" or "0" were pluse signal that control rotation of the step-by-step motor.

The procedure of control was that; the pressdutor on the receiver measured the pressure  $P'$ , and conducted to the microcomputer through A/D converter, the microcomputer would compare the quantity  $P'$  with set pressure P, got the difference ( $E=P-P'$ ). If the difference was more than accessible, the digital regulator would calculated the signals of direction and amount of rotary motion steps. The signals and null shift signal would conducted to the step-by-step motor. When receiverd the signals, the motor would rotary and the throttling valve would be moved, the opening of the throttling valve varied. At end, the difference ( $E=P-P'$ ) would be less than the franchise. With circling, it would be realized control and adjustment of pressure. The sketch of program of discharge pressure control shown in Fig -5.

### ACCRCACY ANALYSIS OF DIRECTLY MEASUREMENT DATUM

We had taken practical test in 3W--0.75/14 air compressor to compary the result of the conventional test in the standard with the system measurement result. Before measurement, we had calibrated the pressdutor and temperature with piston piezometer and water constant temperature oven, the calibration was static. In practical test, the microcomputer system was calibrated

in field with the general standard meter to cancel the system deviation and zero shift of the transduce, then the compressor performance were measured automatically.

In table 1 shown the result and difference of the test in different test condition.

In table 1, except the discharge temperature of secondary stage exceed the franchise, other measurement datum were in the rang of accessible. The resean was the discharge tempreature of secondary stage over the range of water constant temperature oven and the datum were got with heterodyme method. when the tempreature over 100℃, we can calibrate the tranduces with oil constant temperature oven, the accuracy of the temperature would keep in the range. The signal of torque and revolution were transited to microcomputer in digital quantity, the accuracy only depend on the torque-speed meter.

## PROGRAM DESIGN OF MICROCOMPUTOR MEASUREMENT AND TREATING PROCESS

The program was designed in moduiar structure, the main-program call some sub-programs. The sub-program included; control program of work condition, collect and store datum program, manage and print program for initiative measured datum, treat program for test result, program for matrixing to standard work condition. program for print the tables of all test result. The process would carried out with controlling of computer, at end of the test, the tables or result which were demanded would be got.

## CONCLUSION

The microcomputor measurement and control system for performance of compress satisfiyed the standard ISO-1217 and GB3853-83, realized automatical measurement and work condition control. The system consistant was easy, the accuracy and reliability of result satisfied the requirement,so it is valuable to spread it.

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Tabel. 1 comparison of directly measurement results

discharge pressure of secondary stage MPa × 10	piezometer data	4.61	4.58	8.66	8.89	11.13	11.23
	computer collected data	4.58	4.57	8.65	8.88	11.15	11.20
	difference	-0.03	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	+0.02	-0.03
discharge pressure of primary stage MPa × 10	piezometer data	2.35	2.33	2.491	2.54	2.54	2.54
	computer collected data	2.38	2.33	2.48	2.55	2.54	2.55
	difference	+0.01	0.00	-0.01	+0.01	0.00	+0.01
differential pressure of orifice plate mmHg 0	manometer data	367.5	371.3	354.8	342.4	345.2	349.3
	computer collected data	366.0	370.0	353.5	341.0	345.0	348.0
	difference	-1.5	-1.3	-1.3	-1.4	-1.2	-1.3
temperature before orifice plate ℃	thermometer data	40.52	40.19	37.42	39.41	40.02	40.50
	computer collected data	40.55	40.30	37.60	39.45	40.00	40.75
	difference	+0.03	+0.11	+0.18	+0.04	-0.02	+0.15
suction gas temperature of primary stage ℃	thermometer data	31.47	31.39	31.50	31.24	31.33	31.90
	computer collected data	31.35	31.45	31.50	31.35	31.50	31.75
	difference	-0.12	+0.06	0.00	+0.11	+0.17	-0.15
discharge gas temperature of primary stage ℃	thermometer data	87.67	86.30	87.32	88.25	88.44	88.76
	computer collected data	87.60	86.30	87.40	88.35	88.49	88.90
	difference	-0.07	0.00	-0.08	-0.10	+0.05	+0.14
suction gas temperature of secondary stage ℃	thermometer data	57.00	56.28	56.70	56.83	57.32	57.84
	computer collected data	57.05	56.25	56.80	56.90	57.40	57.90
	difference	+0.05	-0.03	+0.10	+0.07	+0.08	+0.05
discharge gas temperature of secondary stage ℃	thermometer data	86.73	80.71	111.02	112.42	120.48	124.53
	computer collected data	86.50	80.90	110.40	111.70	122.10	125.25
	difference	+0.07	+0.19	+0.62	+0.72	+1.52	+1.52

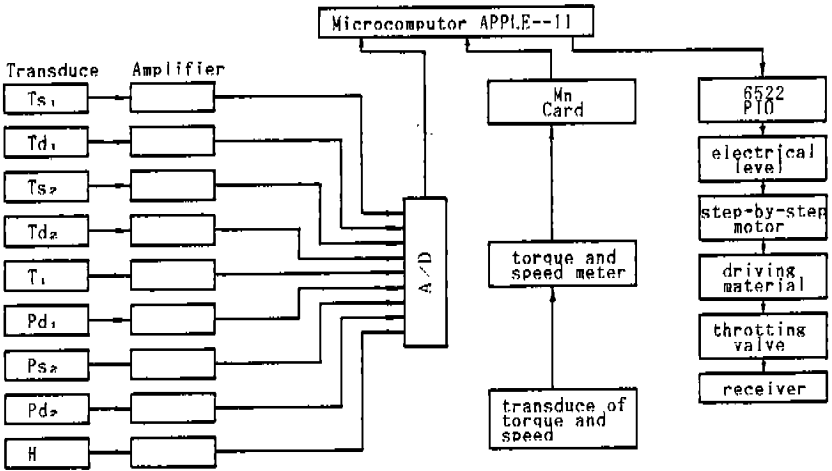


Fig. 1 Sketch of the measurement and control system

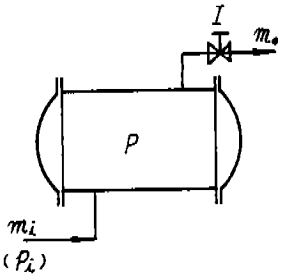


Fig.2 The fluid flowing into and out the receiver

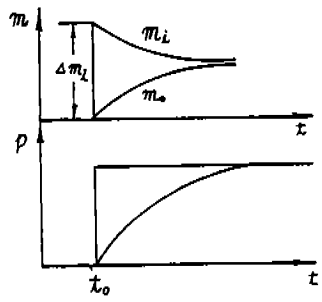


Fig.3 Process of pressure change in the receiver



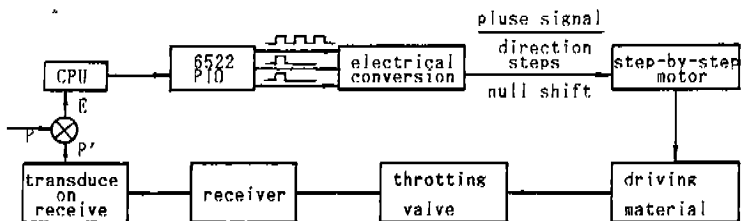


Fig.4 Sketch of pressure control process in the receiver

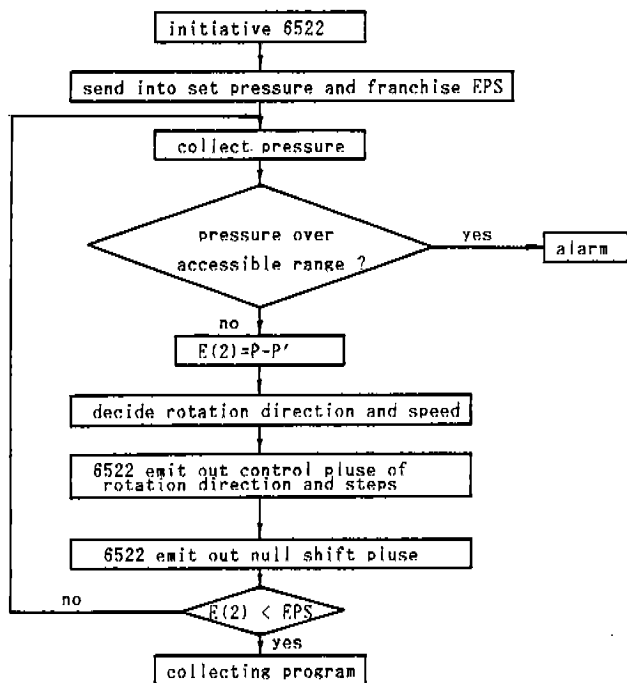


Fig.5 Sketch of pressure control program