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ABSTRACT

This final year project is aim to provide a monitoring system platform for an electric vehicle. This electric vehicle monitoring system will monitor the electric motor temperature, power condition of electric motor, battery status, communicate and interface with the electric motor's electronic control unit (ECU), and some other subsystem on the electric vehicle for example radiator and cooling fan. An interactive and informative display shows the condition of the entire electric vehicle. The user will be alert by the display and audio speaker but during critical condition the monitoring system will override. The monitoring system will make appropriate decision to prevent any further damage to the vehicle and it is concern about the safety of the passenger. This monitoring system for electric vehicle is built up by multiple subsystem. Each subsystem has the initiative to do data acquisition from the sensor and send to the central processing unit. These kind of system design has the ability to minimize sensing delay, easy troubleshoot as well as improve system stability. The development of this electric vehicle system monitoring is focus on implementation of an embedded based operating system Windows 10 IoT Core Operating System, that running on Raspberry Pi 2 single-board computer (SBC). This electrical vehicle system monitoring has a simple graphic user interface design and a touch display which provide an interactive platform with the user. Meanwhile, an audio speaker will be alert the user when the monitoring system is detected any critical situation from any subsystem on the electric vehicle.

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LIST OF SYMBOLS / ABBREVIATIONS

ACK	Acknowledge
ADC	Analogue to Digital
API	Application Program Interface
ARM	Advance RISC Machine
AUX	Auxiliary
BJT	Bipolar Junction Transistor
CAN	Controller Area Network
CPU	Central Processing Unit
CRC	Cycle Redundancy Check
CS	Chip Select
CSI	Camera Serial Interface
CTS	Coolant Temperature Sensor
ECU	Electronic Control Unit
EV	Electric Vehicle
GPU	Graphic Processing Unit
GUI	Graphic User Interface
GB	Gigabytes
GM	General Motor
GND	Ground
GPIO	General Purpose Input and Output
HDMI	High-Definition Multimedia Interface
HTFS	Hall Effect Current Transducer
I/O	Input Output
I2C	Inter-Integrated Circuit
IC	Integrated Circuit
IoT	Internet of Things
IVCS	In-Vehicle Computer System

JTAG	Joint Test Action Group
Kbps	Kilo Bits per Second
LED	Light-Emitting Diode
Mbps	Mega Bits per Second
MISO	Master In Slave Out
MOSFET	Metal-Oxide-Semiconductor Field-effect transistor
MOSI	Master Out Slave Input
MSDN	Microsoft Developer Network
OEM	Original Equipment Manufacturer
OS	Operating System
PCI	Peripheral Component Interconnect
RAM	Random Access Memory
RMS	Root Mean Square
RPM	Revolution per Minute
RTC	Real-time Clock
RTR	Request Transmission Request
Rx	Receive
SATA	Serial AT Attachment
SBC	Single-Board Computer
SCK	Serial Clock Line
SCL	Serial Clock Line
SDA	Serial Data Line
SPI	Serial Peripheral Interface
SS	Slave Select
Tx	Transmit
UART	Universal Asynchronous Serial Receiver and Transmitter
USB	Universal Serial Bus
USD	US Dollar
UTAR	Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman
UWP	Universal Windows Platform
XAML	Extensible Application Markup Language

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

A system monitoring for an electric vehicle or conventional combustion engine vehicle is a must for nowadays. Vehicle of today compared to the past century is different. For the past century vehicle is mostly mechanical part built and today's vehicle involved of many electronics sensors and electronic controller. Introducing of these electronics part to a conventional vehicle make it become more efficient, better fuel consumption and higher safety regulation. Electronics component is found all over vehicle and most of them are working independently. There is need of monitoring system to centralize the information. Driver not just about responsible on driving but also must well understand what their vehicle condition is. Electric Vehicle (EV) is a trending for our next generation transportation. Electric Vehicle involved many electronics component such as electric motor, electric motor controller, battery, charger, regenerative braking system, current sensor, battery temperature sensor and etc. These electronics parts is not found on conventional vehicle. A monitoring system is needs to ensure the electric vehicle run smoothly and effectively. (Wojdyla, 2012)

Conventional vehicle's driver display panel only show little information for example, engine problem, high water temperature and etc. A good system monitoring for an electric vehicle is able to alert driver what is the specific problem and suggest on necessary action. These can prevent unscheduled breakdown or any accident due to vehicle problem itself.

In year 2011, Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman started an Electric Vehicle conversion project. A vehicle originally has an internal combustion engine and then replaced by an electric motor. However, there is absent of monitoring system on the electric vehicle. A monitoring system will be designed and built for this electric vehicle project.

1.2 Aims and Objectives

- Study on vehicle monitoring system available on market
- Identify suitable operating system platform
- Identify suitable single-board computer
- Determine the possible information need to be monitor
- Design and built a real time monitoring system platform which able to alert user when error is found

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 Current Available System

Each car manufacturer offer difference In-Vehicle Computer System or In-Vehicle Infotainment System for their vehicle and it is customized to suit their own design language. Generally, the features provide are multimedia, voice command, navigation, remote access to the vehicle, driver assists, vehicle driving mode, and etc. For example, BMW's iDrive/ConnectedDrive, Mercedes-Benz's Mbraze2 and Audi's Audi MMI/Audi Connect are some of the system available on market but they are installed on their own product only.

Basically, all the system mention above are custom made and they never share the platform each other. The system is highly custom made due to security issue. Users are not allow to access the internal system and it is accessible by the car manufacturer only. Again, these practice created another problem for the driver. Whenever there is any false indicator appear on dashboard, the owner can only send back to the original vehicle manufacture for diagnostic (Kiley, 2015).

2.2 Operating System

From the past century, automotive industrial is all about fastest acceleration, horsepower output and now become fuel economy, multimedia, both active and

passive safety feature and more. But these 21st century needs feature could not operate without an Operating System (OS). Operating System is like our human brain. They will decide which program code or task running before another 1. Most of the time program code is interlinking where they are sharing same recourses or access the same data. A smart Operating System must be introduce when deal with complex system in a vehicle.

The next Operating System competition war is in your dashboard. Although there are a lot of difference In-Vehicle Computer System offered by difference manufacture but operating system that run the computer system are basically 2 types: Microsoft and Linux. (Newcomb, 2012)

2.2.1 Microsoft

Windows Embedded Automotive 7 is an operating system design for automotive industrial. It is an embedded system platform for car manufacturer design In-Vehicle Computer System which allow drivers communicate with the vehicle and understand what the status of their vehicle is. The well famous successful in-vehicle computer system Sync by Ford is using Windows Embedded platform. Some other car manufacturers adopt this platform are Fiat, Nissan, Kia and etc. (Tannert, 2013)

Tier-1 car manufacturer tend to look for highest security, reliable and stable system. Microsoft is the company that come out with mature solution to fit those car manufacturer. Windows Embedded is able to fulfil the requirement of real-time processing. There are hundreds of sub-computer system found in a vehicle and running million lines of programing code every minute and second. A powerful real time operating system must be capable to handle these tasks. (Newcomb, 2012)

Internet of Things IoT, has been very popular lately. Basically, it means that connect up the sensors surround us to cloud and enable internet access for all machine. These will enables new business opportunities, change people lifestyle and things far away always stay connected. (Burrus, 2014)

Windows 10 IoT Core is the answer to the Internet of Things by Microsoft. Windows 10 IoT Core Operating System is designed for embedded design development. It is optimized for Single-Board Computers such as Raspberry Pi 2 and 3 and etc. which utilizes the extensible Universal Windows Platform (UWP) API that capable to develop infinite solution. Most importantly, it provides good platform to build small footprint and high effectively low cost for an industrial ready product meanwhile capable of enterprise grade security. Although Windows 10 IoT Core is new but they have big enough support by the community such as Stack Overflow, MSDN Forums, Raspberry Pi Forums, and GitHub. Every platform need a developing tools so called Integrated Development Environment IDE such as Visual Studio. Visual Studio is a powerful and complete development tool that create and design solution for application that run on Windows. Windows 10 IoT Core is also support for graphic user interface GUI by Extensible Application Markup Language, XAML. Variety of programming language is also support such as C++, C#, JavaScript and Python. (Microsoft, 2016)

2.2.2 Linux

BlackBerry subsidiary QNX is another software that allows to running on various platform such as ARM and x86. It is an infotainment platform support integrated third-party application, Mobile connectivity, voice recognition, HMI and frameworks, Navigation and software update. QNX support QT and HTML5 to create extensive graphic user interface for difference application. It is found in Audi, BMW, Ford, GM, Honda, Mercedes-Benz and Maserati. QNX is closely collaborate with Maserati in 2015. They integrate all of their technology concept based on Maserati Quattroporte GTS. (QNX, 2015) For example, sensors, camera, navigation, cloud-based services and etc.

GENIVI is an open-source in-vehicle infotainment software. They are non-profit organization which welcome all parties and car manufacturer to work on In-Vehicle Infotainment Software. They will define and allow flexible definition of In-Vehicle Infotainment System as consumer needs, partner and support across the

supply chain, built up the architectures and provide standard, and the most important is allows to reuse of the framework or system to achieve a true open source ecosystem environment. Currently car manufacturer under this collaboration includes BMW, GM, Honda, Hyundai and Nissan. (Newcomb, 2012)

Android Auto is the latest In-Vehicle Infotainment System by Google. It is about how a driver can be safely communicate with the car as well as connected to the world. When the driver is on the road that's doesn't mean they are disconnected to the world because there is a lot information coming in like traffic info, audio music, social media notification, navigation and even a phone call. So, the platform will integrated ours smartphone into the car dashboard and allow the driver handle everything on the steering wheel. (Carter, 2016) Figure 2.1 is the interface of Android Auto.

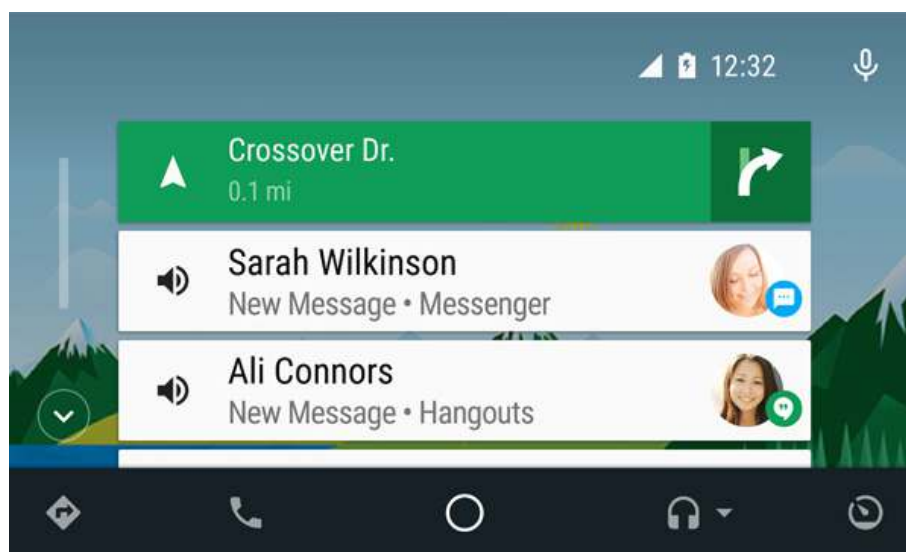


Figure 2.1: Google's Android Auto

2.3 Single-board Computers

Single-board Computer is a credit card size full function computer with support of various input device like USB, Ethernet, storage media, camera and output port like HDMI display, AUX audio. Processing power of single-board computer is very high,

up to 2 GHz, quad core processor and massive of Random Access Memory, RAM up to 4 GB. The power of single-board computer doesn't end there, some is even intergraded with graphic processing unit GPU. These allow render of high quality images when graphic user interface GUI is introduce in the application.

Most importantly is, a number of general purpose I/O port, GPIO is offered on the board which allows sensors, analogue to digital converter (ADC), bipolar junction transistor BJT, metal-oxide-semiconductor field-effect transistor MOSFET, LEDs and etc. Some communication protocol is also found on single-board computer for example, Inter-Integrated Circuit I2C, Serial Peripheral Interface bus SPI, RS-232, Controller Area Network CAN bus and etc.

Table 2.1 shows some comparison of single-board computer. Processing power of below single-board computer is more than enough to handle normal task but there is a highlight for HummingBoard's i.MX6 Cortex-A9 CPU which is automotive grade feature processor. All listed single-board computer support Linux and Android Operating System except Raspberry Pi 2, can support on Windows 10 IoT Core. On the costing point of view, Raspberry Pi 2 is the cheaper in development cost among other 3 computers. (Sims, 2015)

Table 2.1: Comparison of Single-board Computer

Device	ODROID C1	Raspberry Pi 2	HummingBoard i2eX	Creator CI20
CPU	1.5Ghz quad core ARM Cortex-A5 CPU from Amlogic	900MHz quad-core ARM Cortex-A7 CPU from Broadcom	1GHz i.MX6 dual-core Cortex-A9 CPU	1.2GHz dual-core Imagination MIPS32 CPU
GPU	Mali-450 MP2 GPU	Videocore IV	GC2000	PowerVR SGX540
Memory	1GB	1GB	1GB	1GB
Storage	SD card slot or eMMC module	SD card slot	SD card slot	8GB onboard flash, SD card slot
Connectivity	4 x USB, microHDMI, Gigabit Ethernet, infra red remote control receiver	4 x USB, HDMI, Ethernet, 3.5mm audio jack	2 x USB, HDMI, Ethernet, 3.5mm audio jack, infra red remote control receiver	Ethernet, 802.11 b/g/n Wi-Fi, Bluetooth 4.0, 2 x USB, HDMI, 3.5mm audio jack
OS	Android, Linux	Linux, Windows 10	Linux, Android	Linux, Android
Connectors	GPIO, SPI, I2C, RTC (Real Time Clock) backup battery connector	Camera interface (CSI), GPIO, SPI, I2C, JTAG	Camera interface (CSI-2), GPIO, UART, SPI, I2C, PCI-Express Gen 2, mSATA II, RTC with backup battery	Camera interface (ITU645 controller), 14-pin ETAG connector,
				2 x UART, GPIO, SPI, I2C, ADC
Price	RM 230	RM 160	RM 440	RM 300

2.4 Communication Protocol

Communication protocol allows different devices such as computer, microcontroller, modules and sensors communicate with each other for data exchange information. In a vehicle there is range from 60 up to hundreds of controller exchange information in between and the communication bus is transmitting billions of bits every minutes. Some commonly used communication protocol are: Controller Area Network CAN Bus, Inter-Integrated Circuit I²C, Serial Peripheral Interface SPI, Universal Asynchronous serial Receiver and Transmitter (UART), and 1-Wire bus. In order to work across multiple controller, sensors, and module on a vehicle, some basic overview of these communication protocol is a must. (Patrick, 2002)

2.4.1 CAN Bus

Controller Area Network, CAN bus is a controller's network bus standard with the characteristics of communicate between controllers and sensors without a host in the olds day. It is widely use on automotive industrial nowadays. The Electronic Controller Unit ECU in vehicle is using CAN bus as a standard communication protocol. CAN bus is a broadcast type of communication protocol which mean there is not relief on specific address in the transmission bits. All the devices or so call nodes on the same network are capable of both send and receive message. So, it is not designed for transmit a specific bit or bytes to a specific node on the network. But, it is a label for the content of the message named identifier. Each identifier is unique throughout the network so that the message can be recognized. An acceptance test will be performs on every receiving nodes to determine whether the message is matched and so all unintended messages will not be responds. The identifier is predefined and indicate the priority of the message. Higher priority message has lower identifier value. Means, if there are 2 message transmission at the same time the message has more '0' logic low bits will overwrite other message and only this message is received by all nodes.

When an electronic control unit was introduced, the fuel injection system of a combustion engine then become electronic fuel injection. In result in better fuel efficiency, controllable power output and controllable air pollution cause by vehicle exhausts. There are many other sensors in an engine such as air flow sensor, temperature sensors, piston position. All message is broadcast into CAN network and ECU get the information from the bus. A CAN message never send from a device directly to a specific device. It is always uses broadcast method. A CAN Controller read bits by bits from the bus up to predefined number of data block.

Basically there are 3 common practices happen on every node. Firstly, any undefined or failure happen the node is start to broadcast a message. Secondly, node broadcast message continuously, for example monitoring of air flow when the engine is running. Thirdly, a node is broadcast a message if and only if another node ask to do so. For example, ultrasonic sensor detected a potential of collision might be happen then broadcast a message on the CAN bus for brake assist ECU. Brake assist ECU received such message then broadcast another message asking Engine Control Unit to use engine braking and slow down the vehicle. It is commonly happen when one node broadcast a message and multiple of nodes accept the message because some information is required by multiple module or device.

CAN communication protocol is using 2 wire which are CAN High line and CAN Low line, half duplex system. The communication rate is up to 1 Mbps but only for a short distance like 12 Meter. Physically, CAN bus allows up to 110 nodes connect to a network. It is capable on self-diagnose and reparation of error data.

CAN message has 2 types of frame format for both receive and transmit, Standard CAN protocol and Extended CAN protocol. Standard CAN frame format consist of 7 parts. First part has 1 bit of Start of Frame (SOF). Second part has 12 bits, an arbitration field, which provide identifier (11 bits) and Remote Transmission Request (RTR) bit (1 bit). Third part has 6 bits, it is a Control Field with 2 reserved bits and 4 Data Length Code. Data Length Code is a message that tell number of bytes in the Data Field. Fourth part is Data Field which varies up to 8 Bytes. Fifth part is CRC field which has 15 bits redundancy check-code and a recessive delimiter bit. Sixth part has 2 bits which is Acknowledge field, the first bit is Slot bit and

second bit is delimiter bit. Lastly, the seventh part has 7 recessive bits which is end of Frame field. Then the Bus is free from busy status. Figure 2.2 shows how the entire set of CAN protocol message is.

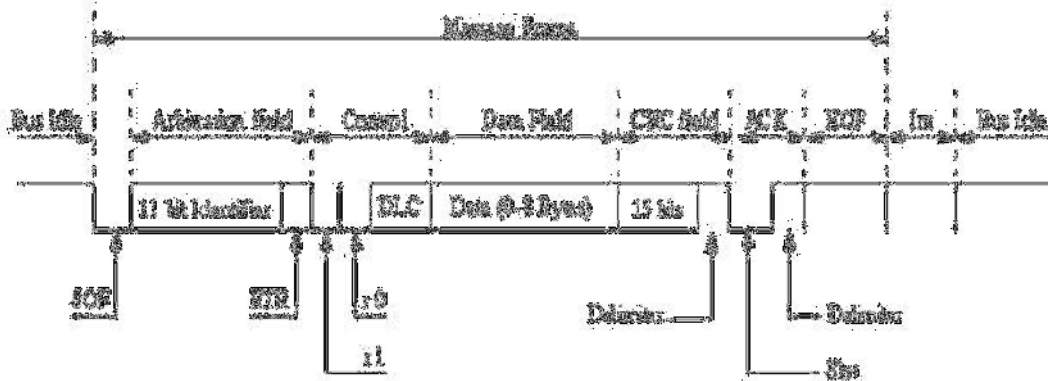


Figure 2.2: Standard CAN Protocol Frame Format

In contrast, the Extended Frame format has two identifier bit fields instead of 1 bits field on Arbitration which correspond of the second part out of the seven. The first field of identifier bit fields (11 bits) is same as Standard CAN protocol but second part is 18 bits long in result 29 bits in total compare with originally 11 bits. Other than that, a Substitute Remote Request bit has included in Arbitration Field. (Electronics Engineering Herald, 2006)

2.4.2 I²C

Inter-Integrated Circuit, I²C is a synchronous protocol that use only 2 wires, and it is known as 2 wire communication. It is uses only 2 wires, one is clock line SCL another is data line SDA connect from a Master (or host, such as microcontroller) device to multiple Slave device (e.g. sensors) without the needs of Chip Select line CS found on SPI communication. Figure 2.3 shows the overview of I²C connection.

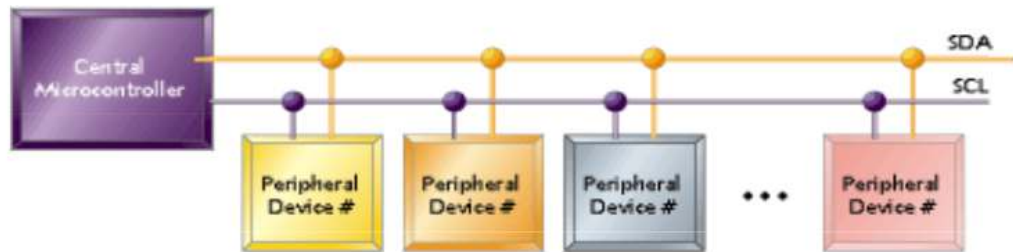


Figure 2.3: Overview of I²C Connection

Without the uses of Chip Select line CS, I²C is using addressing method to access different slave device. A pair of pull up resistors need to connect SDA and SCL line to V_{dd} as basic configuration meanwhile its resistor value is depending on communication speed. Basically there is 3 mode, slow (under 100Kbps), fast 400 Kbps) and high-speed (3.4 Mbps) and the bus length typically within 1 meter range. Figure 2.4 shows how I²C wire up 2 device and the setup of pull up resistor.

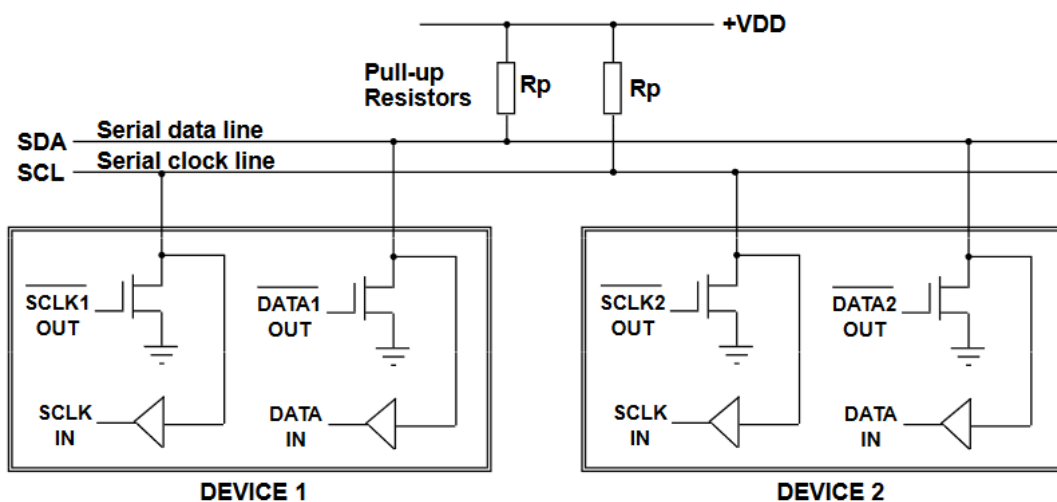


Figure 2.4: I²C Required Pull-up Resistor on SDA and SCL

For I²C Protocol, Master device will send a start condition bit on SDA and clock is generating on SCL then follow by slave address (7 bits), a read / write (R/W) bit and follow by a Acknowledge ACK bit. After mater completely sent 1 byte of data (8 bits) the coming up 8 bits is the Data need to be transmit or receive from the specific slave device that matched the slave address until there is a stop condition bit.

Start condition bit is SDA's falling edge when SCL is '1' logic HIGH, Stop condition bit is SDA's rising edge when SCL is '1' logic HIGH. For the Acknowledge ACK bit, when the receiver 'pull down' SDA to '0' logic LOW meanwhile the transmitter leave SDA '1' logic HIGH. Lastly, for a valid data transmission, SCL is always '1' logic HIGH. (Patrick, 2002) Figure 2.5 shows the entire I²C data transmission bits.

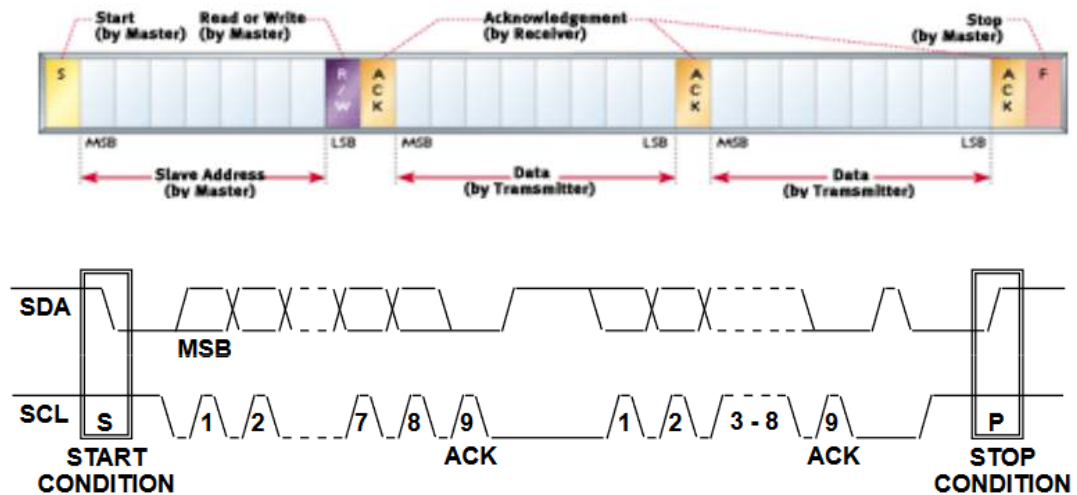


Figure 2.5: I²C Data Transmission Bits

2.4.3 SPI

Serial Peripheral Interface SPI is another serial communication protocol but have minimum of 3 wires and maximum of 4 wire configuration. There are clock line SCK, Master Out Slave In MOSI, Master In Slave Out MISO and Slave Select SS (or Chip Select CS). The uniqueness of this serial communication protocol is it has Slave Select line instead of using addressing method to communicate with specific slave device. Another things is the master device's output is connects to the slave device input and master device's input is connects to the slave device output, if there is multiple of slave device parallel connection is allow but not for slave select line. Each slave device need a dedicated slave select pin connected to master device's SS (or CS) pin or a normal general purpose input-output GPIO pin. In the event of

multiple slave device then same amount of extra GPIO pin is needed. Figure 2.6 shows how to wire up to multiple slave device from a master device.

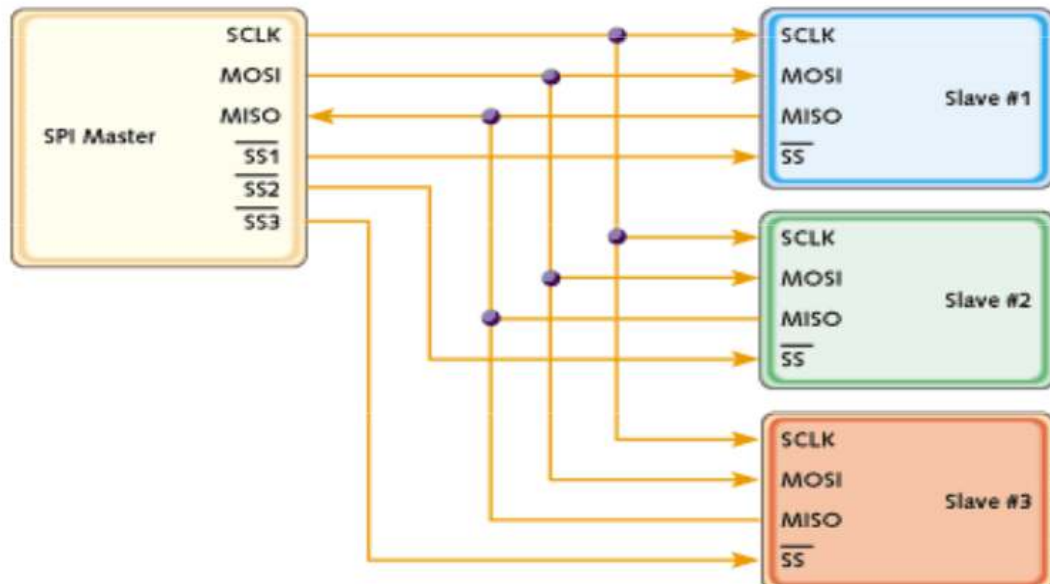


Figure 2.6: SPI – Master to Multiple Slave Device

The SPI communication protocol has 4 types of mode which is based on phase and polarity of the clock line SCK which need to first configure during the initialization of SPI protocol. A disadvantage of SPI for small footprint or low pin-count microcontroller might not enough for multiple slave SPI interface. (Patrick, 2002)

2.4.4 UART

Universal Asynchronous serial Receiver and Transmitter (UART) is the most simple serial communication protocol with 2 line, transmit and receive. It is very common in embedded world. Most of the microcontroller have UART or transmit receive pin. Transmit line is use for transmit data whereas receive line is use for receive data. Asynchronous mean, the interval between data strings can be undefined. Detection of start and end of data strings is determined by the receiver, receive. Figure 2.7 shows TX and RX communication wiring.

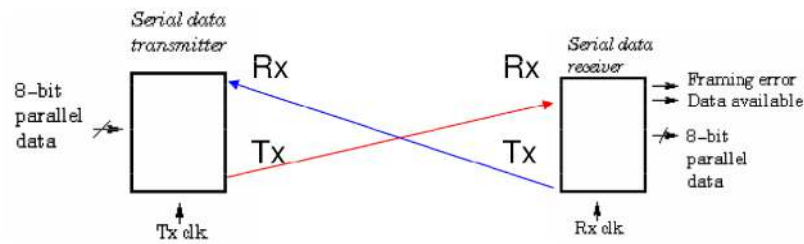
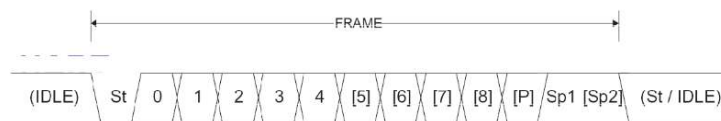


Figure 2.7: UART Data Transmission Connection

Before transmission start, configuration of frequency transmission bit knows as baud rate, need to be fixed. When baud rate mismatch, two devices are not able to talk at the same speed eventually all receiving data is messed up. There are other parameters need to be configure on data reception terminal such as number of bits or frame, number of stop bits, and parity. For a standard UART, it will transmit of 8 bits in total, 1 'start' bit, 5 'data' bit, 1 'parity' bit and lastly 1 'stop' bit to make a transmission complete or end. (Patrick, 2002) Figure 2.8 showing the UART data transmission bits frame.



■ **Data transmission:** One packet (frame) is formed from:

- **St** – 1 Start bit of '0' logic
- **D** – Data bits (5...9, established by both transmission members)
- **P** - 1 Parity bit. Parity can be:
 - Absent: P bit no exist
 - Even parity $P_{even} = d_{n-1} \oplus \dots \oplus d_3 \oplus d_2 \oplus d_1 \oplus d_0 \oplus 0$
 - Odd parity $P_{odd} = d_{n-1} \oplus \dots \oplus d_3 \oplus d_2 \oplus d_1 \oplus d_0 \oplus 1$
- **Sp** – 1 or 2 Stop bits of '1' logic

Figure 2.8: UART Data Transmission Bits Frame

2.4.5 1-wire

Maxim-Dallas Semiconductor's 1-Wire communication protocol is an asynchronous system and it has no protocol for multi-master. Only 1 wire is needed (and a ground) for signalling and power, transmission rate is slow (< 1Kbps) but with advantages of long range (up to 500m), low cost and easy implementation. Typically, it is used to communicate with multiple devices such as multiple thermometers, sensors, and projects which require a lot of the same sensors. (Patrick, 2002) Figure 2.9 gives the overview of 1-wire application on multiple slave devices.

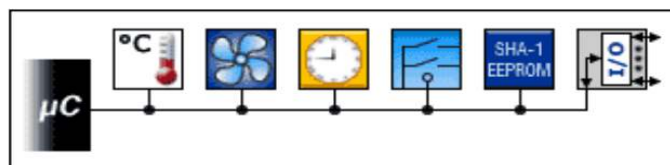


Figure 2.9: Overview of 1-wire Application

There is always one bus master per series connection. Many slave devices can share the same bus and each device has a unique 64-bit serial number. Figure 2.10 shows how 1-wire data transmission bits frame looks like.



Figure 2.10: 1-wire Data Transmission Bits Frame

There are broadcast commands and commands addressed to particular devices. Figure 2.11 gives the overall idea of how 1-wire transaction sequence

- ▶ **Step 1. Initialization**
 - reset pulse
- ▶ **Step 2. ROM Command (followed by any required data exchange)**
 - Search, Read, Match, Skip, Alarm, ...
- ▶ **Step 3. Function Command (followed by any required data exchange)**
 - Read, Write, ReadPowerSupply, ...

Figure 2.11: Steps of 1-wire Data transmission

2.5 Problem Statement

The Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman Electric Vehicle Conversion project currently has only separate module status display unit. Such as battery meter, voltage display, current display. The electric vehicle has no complete monitoring system as a platform allows driver to focus on 1 single display panel. It is important that driver need to focus on road situation rather than keep looking at several separated gauge and small segmental display.

From the perspective of driver, a platform that can centralize all the monitored information on and single display panel with real time update is needed. This is allows the driver can have direct information from the current status of the electric vehicle. Meanwhile, the real time monitoring system need to be smart enough to giving feedback, suggestion or alert to the driver when any of the monitor reading is out of predefined value. These can prevent any breakdown happen or further maintenance cost due to system failure.

Another suggestion is from the perspective of mechanics. A good monitoring platform should able to help on maintenance work by logging the monitored data and save for later analysis or tuning work. Monitor the health of component of the electric vehicle is very important which allow maintenance work to be done in schedules and further reduce the chance of unexpected breakdown happen.

CHAPTER 3

METHODOLOGY

3.1 Overview

This project is design and built a real time monitoring system platform for an electric vehicle. Some of the sensors and different type of electronic controller unit were done. Unfortunately, all the sub-system are independent. So, a platform need to gather up the signal and monitor together. Basically, the system will be able to real time monitoring the:

- Battery status include voltage, temperature and state of charged
- Temperature of the electric motor
- Temperature of Electronic Controller Unit
- Current measurement
- Cooling fan failure system
- Information provided by the Electronic Controller Unit via CAN protocol

This monitoring system is designed with the capability of alert user when predefined problem is found. The flow of implementation work as shown in Figure 3.1.

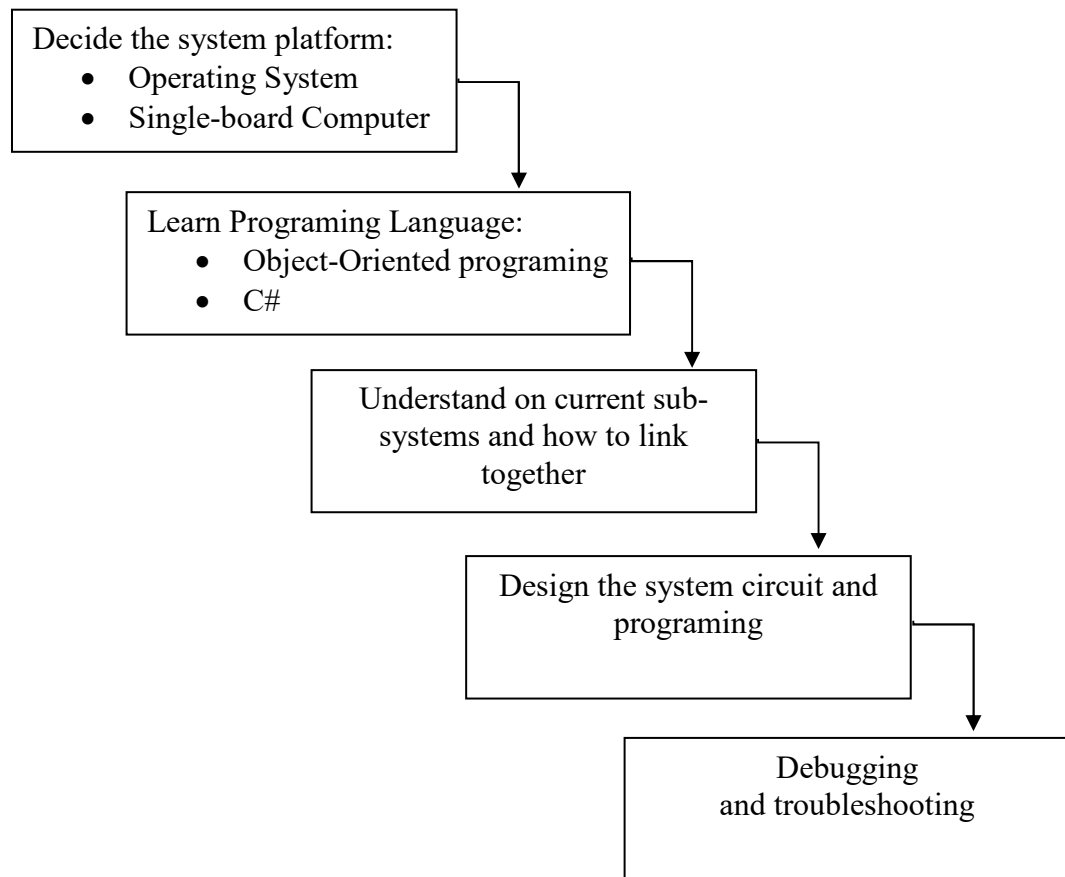


Figure 3.1: Work Flow Distribution Block Diagram

3.2 System Platform

In-Vehicle Monitoring System is all in-house custom built by car manufacturer due to different configuration of the vehicle. So, the author decided to create own platform that suit Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman's Electric Vehicle Conversion Project.

Microsoft Windows 10 IoT Core is the operating system of this monitoring system platform. It is designed for embedded design development and support of graphic user interface GUI. The programming language to write the application for this operating system has many option, such as C++, C#, JavaScript and Python. There are also a large community support such as GitHub and MSDN. This operating system is also internet of things IoT ready. The operating system is newly introduce

by Microsoft therefore it is expected some bug or lag of library support for some high level API (Application Program Interface). However, this is sustainable platform in near future and back support by Microsoft.

Raspberry Pi 2 is the single-board computer that run monitoring system. The price of Raspberry Pi 2 is most low cost compare to other single-board computer. For this development stage this is enough for the platform. Several communication protocol like, SPI Serial Peripheral Interface, I²C Inter-integrated Circuit and UART Universal Asynchronous Receive and Transmit. It has 17 GPIO General Purpose Input Output pin sufficient enough for this project application.

3.3 Current Sub-Systems

3.3.1 Battery Status

The existing sub-system is using DS2436 sensor with One-wire communication protocol with capability of measure voltage and temperature. There are 12 battery pack in this electric vehicle each and every battery pack was attached this sensor module. Figure 3.2 and figure 3.3 show DS2436 circuit with Optocoupler and actual prototype respectively.

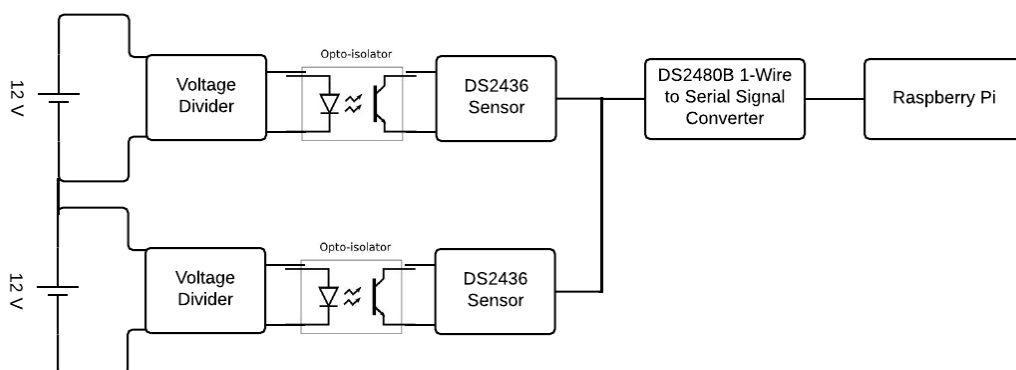


Figure 3.2: DS2436 Circuit with Optocoupler

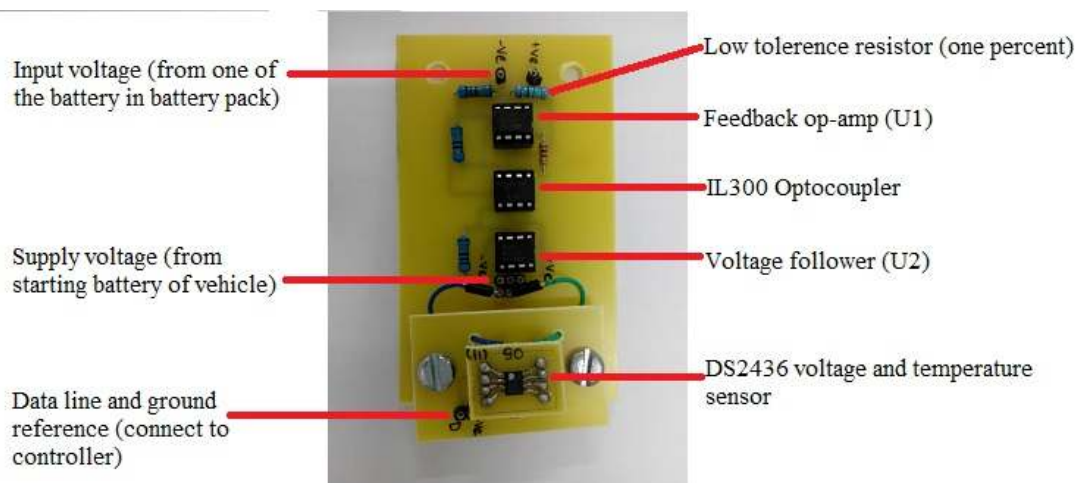


Figure 3.3: Circuit of DS2436 Sensor Module Built on PCB Board

3.3.2 Current Measurement

A Hall Effect current transducer by LEM, which can measured up to 600 ampere (LEM, 2015) is placed on the summing battery pack terminal to measure the total current flow. Figure 3.4 shows the circuit connection of HTFS current sensor.

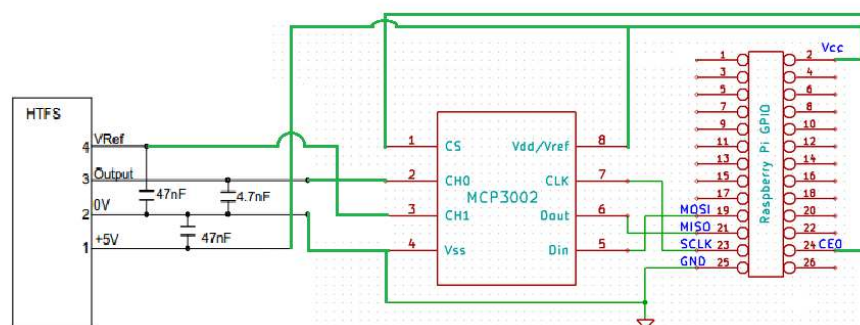


Figure 3.4: Circuit connection of HTFS current sensor

3.3.3 Cooling Fan Failure Detection System

The Cooling Fan Failure Detection System reports several information such as coolant temperature, cooling fan speed in rpm, fan failure, coolant temperature sensor CTS failure and relay failure. Currently the sub-system is controlled by Arduino. Figure 3.5 and Figure 3.6 shows the cooling fan failure detection system prototype.



Figure 3.5: Cooling Fan Failure Detection System



Figure 3.6: Cooling Fan Failure Detection System 2

3.4 Implementation of New Sub-Systems

3.4.1 Monitor Temperature of Electric Motor

Monitor the working temperature of electric motor can ensure it is operate at desire and health operation. An automotive grade temperature sensor MCP9700 by Microchip is selected for this application. MCP9700 is a Linear Active Thermistor Integrated Circuit (IC). It can measure from -40 degree Celsius up to 150 degree Celsius, the accuracy is up to +/- 1 degree Celsius and low power consumption. Signal-conditioning circuit is very important for normal resistive sensors but this temperature sensor is unrequired. There are only 3 pins, power supply at V_{dd} , ground connect at GND and V_{out} for analogue signal output.

Analogue signal is further feed into an ADC Analogue-to-Digital Converter. An ADC converter the author used is MCP3008 8 channel 10 bits resolution with SPI communication protocol. This ADC allows up to 8 input and, zero to 1023 step of conversion (2^{10}).

3.4.2 Monitor Temperature of ECU

Electronic Controller Unit, ECU is the brain of an electric vehicle that regulate and supply electricity to the electric motor. This is a very expensive controller which is cost USD 2700 dollar. Some protection job is needs to ensure it is operate in a good temperature condition. Basically, the sensors and ADC converters used are same with monitor of electric motor temperature, there are MCP9700 automotive grade linear active thermistor IC and connect to the same MCP3008 ADC chip. The MCP3008 ADC can be share together because it can input up to 8 channel of analogue signal. Figure 3.7 shows the actual product of Curtis electric motor ECU – 1239E.



Figure 3.7: Curtis Electric Motor ECU- 1239E

3.5 Real-Time Monitoring List

Table 3.2 is a list for real time monitoring components and action to be taken and table 3.3 is the signal source reference.

Table 3.2: Action List for Real Time Monitoring System

Monitor List		Action	Note
Battery	Current	1. Alert user with buzzer 2. Light up LED on circuit board 3. Alert user with Soft-LED on Real-Time display screen	L
Fan Cooling System	Relay failure		S-sys
	CTS failure		S-sys
	Fan failure		S-sys
Motor	Temperature		L
Controller	Temperature	L	

Table 3.3: Signal Source

Signal Source	
S-sys	Sub-system
L	Sensor

CHAPTER 4

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

4.1 Software Development

The core development of this project is about REAL-TIME monitoring system. This monitoring system has the capability of process sensor signal, process the data and display on a LCD display all in real-time manner. Real-time monitoring system is very important not just electric vehicle but for all automotive application.

For the software development C# programming language is used and develop using Microsoft Visual Studio 2015. Development of software consist of 2 parts which are application programming and user interface programming. Both can be done on a same software development application, Microsoft Visual Studio 2015.

4.1.1 Application Programming

For the application programming with related to hardware program there are several step must go through before the algorithm programming can be entered, which is initialization. After reviews of all kind of communication protocol this project will be mainly employ Serial Peripheral Interface, SPI.

First of all, global constant, global variable, and global function need to be start off.

The LED need to be initialize as low and assign the pin number for the LED.

```
private int LEDStatus = 0;           //initialize the LED value
private const int LED_PIN = 6;      //assigned the PIN 6 for output
private GpioPin pin;
```

For the SPI, we need to choose which SPI chip select line's pin to be use, and for this project line 0 is used.

```
/*RaspBerry Pi2 Parameters*/
private const string SPI_CONTROLLER_NAME = "SPI0"; /* For Raspberry
Pi 2, use SPI0 */
private const Int32 SPI_CHIP_SELECT_LINE = 0;      /* Line 0 maps to
physical pin number 24 on the Rpi2 */
```

For our MCP3008 IC the sending and receiving data bytes is in 3 bytes.

```
byte[] readBuffer = new byte[3]; /*this is defined to hold the output
data*/
byte[] writeBuffer = new byte[3] { 0x06, 0x00, 0x00 }; //00000110 00;
// It is SPI port serial input pin, and is used to load channel configuration
data into the device
```

This is to configure RED colour of soft-LED display on screen.

```
private SpiDevice SpiDisplay;
private SolidColorBrush redBrush = new
SolidColorBrush(Windows.UI.Colors.Red);
private SolidColorBrush grayBrush = new
SolidColorBrush(Windows.UI.Colors.LightGray);
```

Then, create a timer for the system and create variable with data type defined.

```
// create a timer
private DispatcherTimer timer;

int res0;
double res1;
int res2;
double res3;
int res4;
int res5;
int res6;
int res7;

string res5_;
string res6_;
string res7_;
```

Secondly, followed by initialization of system clock, SPI protocol and GPIO (General-purpose Input Output) port. For the system clock initialization, first need to define the timer interval.

```
public MainPage()
{
    this.InitializeComponent();
    timer = new DispatcherTimer();
    timer.Interval = TimeSpan.FromMilliseconds(500);
    timer.Tick += Timer_Tick;
    timer.Start();

    InitSPI();      //call function SPI initialize
    InitGpio();     //call function GPIO initialize
}
```

Then call function to initialize Serial Peripheral Interface communication protocol. For SPI communication clock frequency set to 0.5 Mbps, Mode 0, and point the chip select line. If fail to initialize then will tell the user on screen that there is some problem with SPI initialization.

```
private async void InitSPI()      //SPI initialization function
{
    try
    {
        var settings = new SpiConnectionSettings(SPI_CHIP_SELECT_LINE);
        settings.ClockFrequency = 500000;
        settings.Mode = SpiMode.Mode0;

        string spiAqs =
SpiDevice.GetDeviceSelector(SPI_CONTROLLER_NAME);
        var deviceInfo = await DeviceInformation.FindAllAsync(spiAqs);
        SpiDisplay = await SpiDevice.FromIdAsync(deviceInfo[0].Id,
settings);
    }

    /* If initialization fails, display the exception and stop running
*/
    catch (Exception ex)
    {
        throw new Exception("SPI Initialization Failed", ex);
    }
}
```

Function to initialize the General Purpose Input-Output port. Activate the GPIO pin and test the pin to high then low and again high. If fail to initialize then will tell the user on screen that there is some problem with GPIO initialization.

```
private void InitGpio()          //GPIO initialization function
{
    var gpio = GpioController.Default();

    // Show an error if there is no GPIO controller
}
```

```

        if (gpio == null)
        {
            pin = null;
            GpioStatus.Text = "There is no GPIO controller on this
device.";
            return;
        }

        pin = gpio.OpenPin(LED_PIN);

        // Show an error if the pin wasn't initialized properly
        if (pin == null)
        {
            GpioStatus.Text = "There were problems initializing the GPIO
pin.";
            return;
        }
        pin.SetDriveMode(GpioPinDriveMode.Output);
        pin.Write(GpioPinValue.High);
        pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
        pin.Write(GpioPinValue.High);

        GpioStatus.Text = "GPIO pin initialized correctly.";
    }

```

After the global parameter and initialization work has done then the program algorithm can only be continue. Send a start signal on SPI communication link, then send 0x80 to the slave device and immediately the SPI slave device (MCP3008) will return a bunch of bits. So, we need to call function `SpiDisplay.TransferFullDuplex()` to capture the signal. Later, the signal need to convert to integer and store to variable `res0`. These is repeating for another 7 times to get total of 8 data.

```

public void DisplayTextBoxContents()
{
    writeBuffer[0] = 0x01; // set to start
    writeBuffer[1] = 0x80; // set to channel 0
    SpiDisplay.TransferFullDuplex(writeBuffer, readBuffer);
    res0 = convertToInt(readBuffer);
}

```

But, each and every time repeating the data will be sending difference address so that difference channel of data will be received. For example, channel 1 address is 0x90, channel 2 address is 0xa0, channel 3 address is 0xb0, channel 4 address is 0xc0, channel 5 address is 0xd0, channel 6 address is 0xe0, and channel 7 address is 0xf0.

```

writeBuffer[1] = 0x90; // set to channel 1
SpiDisplay.TransferFullDuplex(writeBuffer, readBuffer);
res1 = convertToInt(readBuffer);
res1 = (((res1 / 1023) * 4.60) - 0.5) / 0.01;

writeBuffer[1] = 0xa0; // set to channel 2
SpiDisplay.TransferFullDuplex(writeBuffer, readBuffer);

```

```

res2 = convertToInt(readBuffer);

writeBuffer[1] = 0xb0; // set to channel 3
SpiDisplay.TransferFullDuplex(writeBuffer, readBuffer);
res3 = convertToInt(readBuffer);
res3 = (((res3 / 1023) * 4.60) - 0.5) / 0.01;

writeBuffer[1] = 0xc0; // set to channel 4
SpiDisplay.TransferFullDuplex(writeBuffer, readBuffer);
res4 = convertToInt(readBuffer);

writeBuffer[1] = 0xd0; // set to channel 5
SpiDisplay.TransferFullDuplex(writeBuffer, readBuffer);
res5 = convertToInt(readBuffer);

```

From here will straight decide what the data means for, if the data return is larger than integer value of 850 then another variable res5_ will be store string "FAIL", else res5_ will be store string "OK". This is repeated for channel 5, channel 6 and channel 7.

```

if (res5 > 850)
{
    res5_ = "FAIL";
} else
{
    res5_ = "OK";
}

writeBuffer[1] = 0xe0; // set to channel 6
SpiDisplay.TransferFullDuplex(writeBuffer, readBuffer);
res6 = convertToInt(readBuffer);

if (res6 > 850)
{
    res6_ = "FAIL";
} else
{
    res6_ = "OK";
}

writeBuffer[1] = 0xf0; // set to channel 7
SpiDisplay.TransferFullDuplex(writeBuffer, readBuffer);
res7 = convertToInt(readBuffer);

if (res7 > 850)
{
    res7_ = "FAIL";
} else
{
    res7_ = "OK";
}

```

Then, store all the data received earlier to text place holder for later display on screen. Once the data is store into text place holder it will immediately display and update on output display. This make the information deliver in real-time manner.

```

textPlaceholder0.Text = res0.ToString();
textPlaceholder1.Text = Math.Round(res1, 1).ToString();
textPlaceholder2.Text = res2.ToString();
textPlaceholder3.Text = Math.Round(res3, 1).ToString();
textPlaceholder4.Text = res4.ToString();

textPlaceholder5.Text = res5_;
textPlaceholder6.Text = res6_;
textPlaceholder7.Text = res7_;

}

```

Another function here is create a soft-LED to be display on screen to alert the user. The following coding will be define whether the receiving data channel is in wht condition. If the received data is more than a certain predefined value, then the soft-LED will be light up on-screen. Else will be dim the soft-LED. Meanwhile, the soft-LED on screen is linked with the hard wired LED and buzzer to alert the user. So, whenever the system found that any of the receiving data channel above predefined value, all 3 (soft LED, hard wired LED and buzzer) will be alert the user.

```

private void LightLED()
{
    if (res0 > 950)
    {
        pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
        LED.Fill = redBrush;
    }
    else if (res1 > 850)
    {
        pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
        LED.Fill = redBrush;
    }
    else if (res2 > 850)
    {
        pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
        LED.Fill = redBrush;
    }
    else if (res3 > 850)
    {
        pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
        LED.Fill = redBrush;
    }
    else if (res4 > 850)
    {
        pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
        LED.Fill = redBrush;
    }
    else if (res5 > 850)
    {
        pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
        LED.Fill = redBrush;
    }
    else if (res6 > 850)
    {
        pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
        LED.Fill = redBrush;
    }
}

```

```

    }
    else if (res7 > 850)
    {
        pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
        LED.Fill = redBrush;
    }
    else
    {
        pin.Write(GpioPinValue.High);
        LED.Fill = grayBrush;
    }
}

private void Timer_Tick(object sender, object e)
{
    DisplayTextBoxContents();
    LightLED();
}

```

This program is processing 8 data in real time. Beginning with the potentiometer for test about the real time or how the system response in real time is. Secondly, is monitor and display the temperature of Electronic Controller Unit ECU in degree Celsius. Thirdly, is monitor of entire electrical system current in Ampere. Fourth, is monitor and display the temperature of electric motor in degree Celsius. Fifth, is a predefined test for always stable state condition. Sixth, is monitor of the condition of the vehicle cooling fan system. Seventh, is monitor the health of coolant temperature sensor. And lastly, is monitor the fault of cooling fan relay.

4.1.2 User Interface Programming

This program must be able to tell the user what is the current condition of the vehicle he is driving and the information shown must be in real-time base and now come to user interface programming. The program is using Extensible Application Markup Language (.XAML) is a declarative XML-based language developed by Microsoft that is used for initializing structured values and objects. From the earlier part, already mention how the program pass the value to text place holder for later display on output screen. And the full program code is listed on Appendix B: XAML User Interface Program Code.

4.2 Hardware Development

The application program is specifically programmed for Raspberry Pi 2 running on Windows 10 IoT (Internet of Things) Operating System. Figure 4.1 is the circuit diagram for the hardware part.

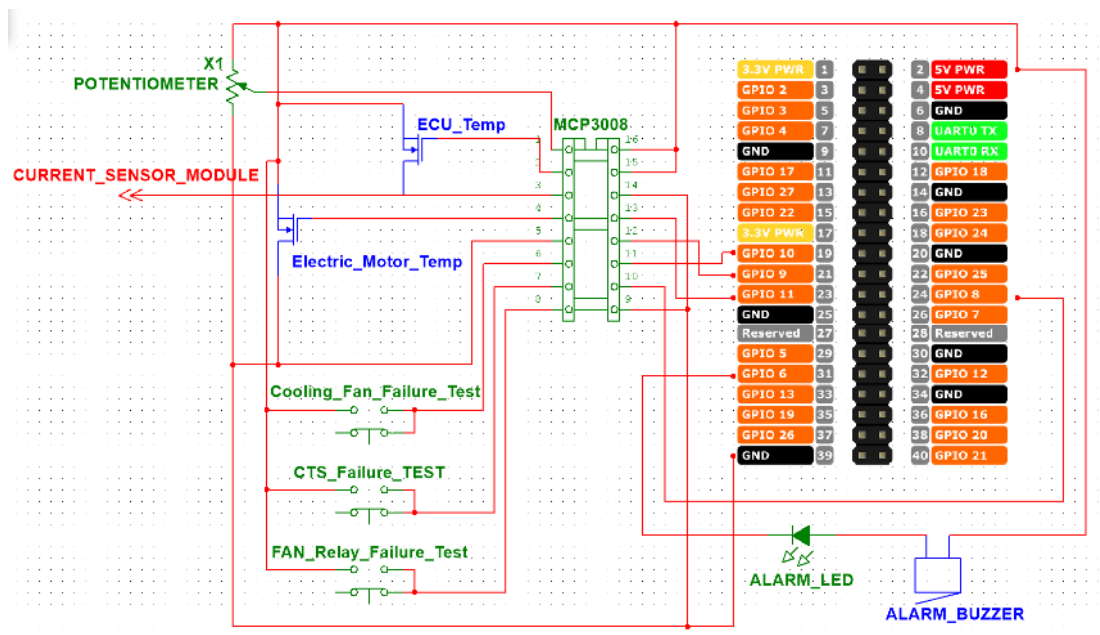


Figure 4.1: Complete Circuit Schematic Diagram

The entire circuit is constructed on printed circuit board (PCB). In this project, all electrical system is running on 5 V where supplied by the Raspberry Pi 2 and no other power supply is needed. This makes the electrical system clean and tidy. An analogue to digital convertor ADC, MCP3008 is 8 channel 10 bits ADC with SPI Communication Protocol IC integrated is the bridge communicate between sensor (or input data) and microcomputer (Raspberry Pi 2). Channel 0 is a potential meter for real-time varying the result, Channel 1 is ECU temperature, Channel 2 is current measure, Channel 3 is electric motor temperature, Channel 4 is purposely set to always reading low logic, Channel 5 is testing for fan failure, Channel 6 is testing for coolant temperature sensor failure, and Channel 7 is testing for fan relay failure. For any of the 8 channel had reached the fault value, the alarm and LED will be trigger to alert the user. However, there is a soft LED on real time display screen and user will notice when the buzzer is deactivated.

Figure 4.2, Figure 4.3, and Figure 4.4 are the photos of actual prototype.

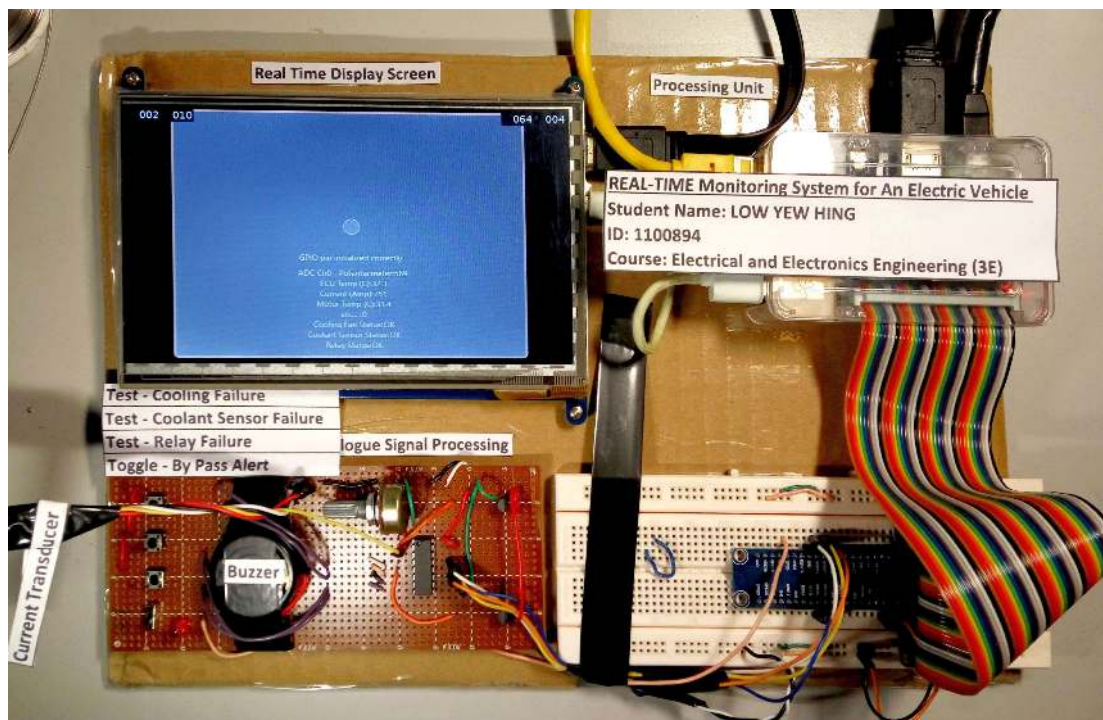


Figure 4.2: Full Setup of the Prototype 33

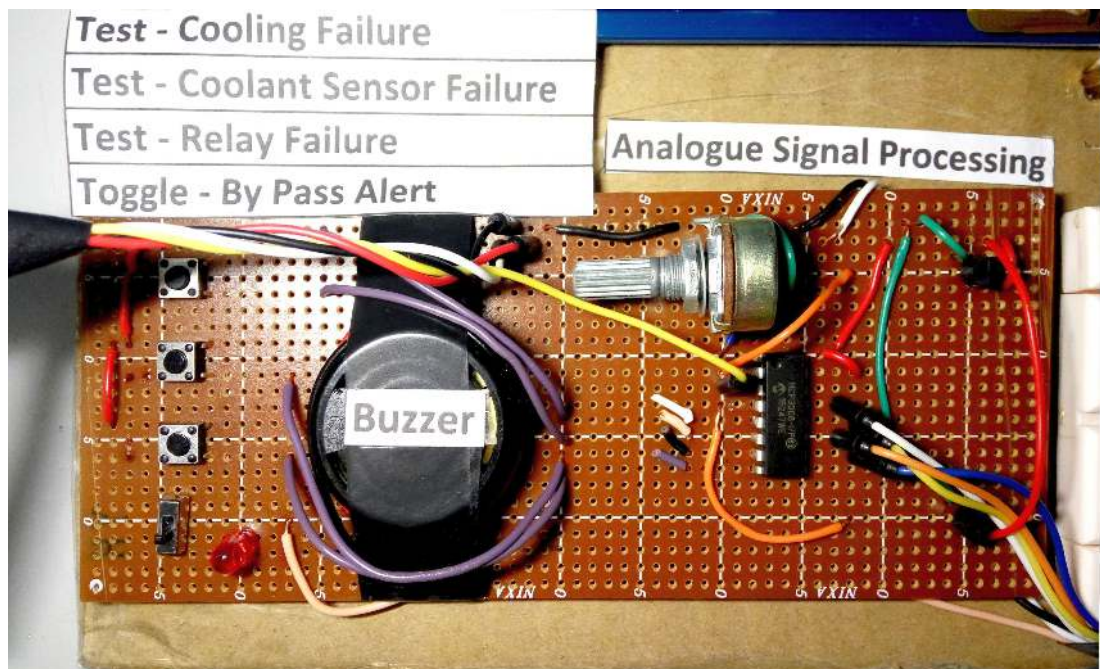


Figure 4.3: Actual Circuit Construction

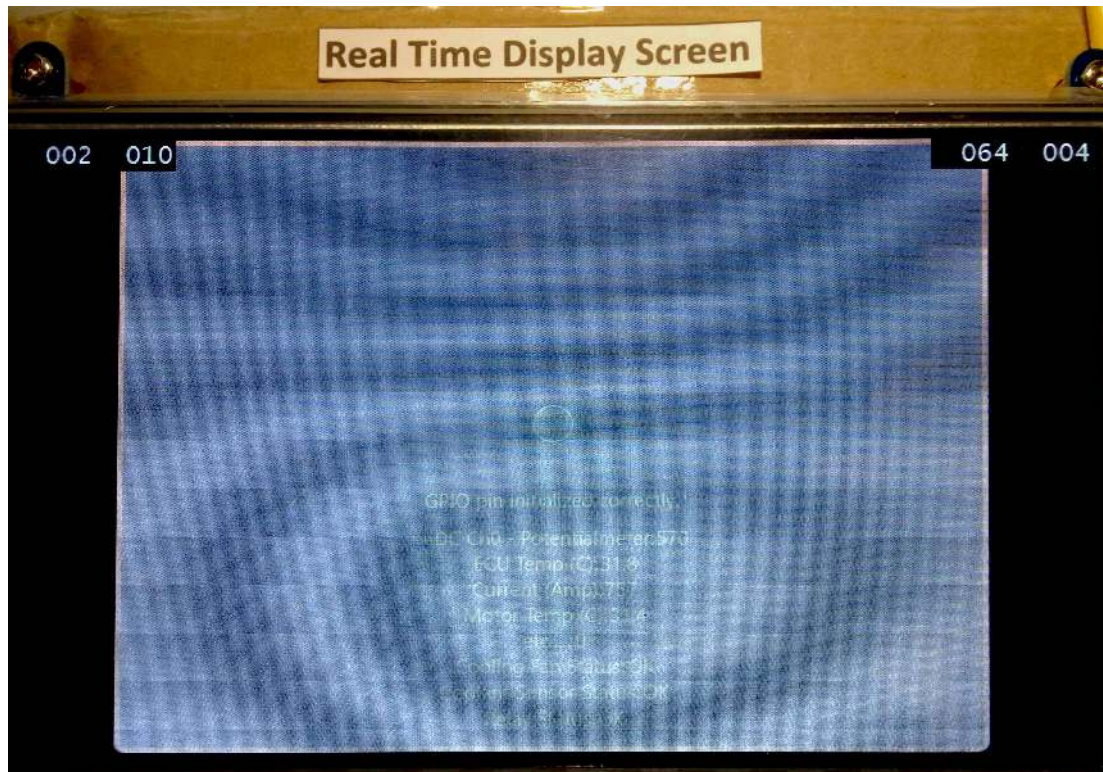


Figure 4.4: Real Time Display Screen 34

CHAPTER 5

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 Summary

The real-time monitoring system for electric vehicle is based on Windows 10 IoT (Internet of Things) Operating System and running on Raspberry Pi 2 single board computer. The monitoring system has the capability of capture data, process and output to display unit all in real-time based. This is huge improvement over the existing system because of real-time based data process and information display.

Although the current system can only display ECU temperature, electric motor temperature, battery current measure, analogue information reading, coolant temperature sensor fault detection, cooling fan fault detection, and fan relay fault detection but this project provided a very sustainable platform for future improve. The application is programmed using C# programming language based on objected-oriented programming language. So, the coding is well structure and organized. With the help of Microsoft Universal Application Platform, this application can be port into any Microsoft Windows devices in future eventually allows more developer to join this electric vehicle monitoring system project.

5.2 Conclusion

The monitoring system for an electric vehicle can perform both data process and information display in real-time based. User will be alerted by the hardware LED and buzzer alert when any fault is found on the electric vehicle. There is also soft-LED on LCD display to bring attention to the user when system fault is happens. The information shown on LCD display is in real time based so that user can perform maintenance work before any further damage on any part of the electric vehicle.

5.3 Future Improvement

The project is provide a platform that can perform real-time base data process and display. Based on this platform there are many possible on future improvement. This can be centralize all information into a single LCD display unit allows user access all the information.

5.3.1 Battery Voltage Monitoring

The existing monitoring system with battery voltage and battery temperature monitor but on this project they are absent. The development time needs to write a new Application Platform Interface (API) for One-Wire Communication Protocol is very time consuming. One-Wire Communication Protocol is a type of communication method which only need 1 data line to bridge up to 128 slave devices. With the adoption of this communication protocol, a number of 12 unit battery on the electric vehicle is very practical and simplified the sensor circuit.

5.3.2 Access Electronic Controller Unit Information via CAN Bus Protocol

Another huge improvement can be done is accessing Electronic Controller Unit information via CAN Bus protocols. The very advance ECU on electric vehicle is able to provide huge useful information such as, throttle percentage, battery status, electric motor load, electrical regenerative information, charging state of the battery, current flow into and out going the controller. These information includes into the monitoring system enable user to understand how the electric vehicle is performs.

5.3.3 Replace the Alarm System with Human Voice Command

Currently the alert is done using buzzer noise, soft-LED and illumination of LED light. This Windows 10 IoT Operating Platform can support audio clip playback where provide better user friendly command to the driver or specific information to the driver when fault is occurs. Eventually, provide more informative system to a general user without the need of maintenance engineer or mechanics.

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APPENDICES

APPENDIX A: Application Program Code

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.IO;
using System.Linq;
using System.Runtime.InteropServices.WindowsRuntime;
using Windows.Foundation;
using Windows.Foundation.Collections;
using Windows.UI.Xaml;
using Windows.UI.Xaml.Controls;
using Windows.UI.Xaml.Controls.Primitives;
using Windows.UI.Xaml.Data;
using Windows.UI.Xaml.Input;
using Windows.UI.Xaml.Media;
using Windows.UI.Xaml.Navigation;
using Windows.Devices.Gpio;
using Windows.Devices.Spi;
using Windows.Devices.Enumeration;

namespace PotentiometerSensor
{
    public sealed partial class MainPage : Page
    {
        public MainPage()
        {
            this.InitializeComponent();
            timer = new DispatcherTimer();
            timer.Interval = TimeSpan.FromMilliseconds(500);
            timer.Tick += Timer_Tick;
            timer.Start();

            InitSPI();           //call function SPI initialize
            InitGpio();         //call function GPIO initialize
        }

        private async void InitSPI()           //SPI initialization function
        {
            try
            {
                var settings = new SpiConnectionSettings(SPI_CHIP_SELECT_LINE);
                settings.ClockFrequency = 500000;
                settings.Mode = SpiMode.Mode0;
            }
        }
    }
}
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        string spiAqs =
SpiDevice.GetDeviceSelector(SPI_CONTROLLER_NAME);
        var deviceInfo = await DeviceInformation.FindAllAsync(spiAqs);
        SpiDisplay = await SpiDevice.FromIdAsync(deviceInfo[0].Id,
settings);
    }

    /* If initialization fails, display the exception and stop running
*/
    catch (Exception ex)
    {
        throw new Exception("SPI Initialization Failed", ex);
    }
}
private void InitGpio()           //GPIO initialization function
{
    var gpio = GpioController.Default();

    // Show an error if there is no GPIO controller
    if (gpio == null)
    {
        pin = null;
        GpioStatus.Text = "There is no GPIO controller on this
device.";
        return;
    }

    pin = gpio.OpenPin(LED_PIN);

    // Show an error if the pin wasn't initialized properly
    if (pin == null)
    {
        GpioStatus.Text = "There were problems initializing the GPIO
pin.";
        return;
    }
    pin.SetDriveMode(GpioPinDriveMode.Output);
    pin.Write(GpioPinValue.High);
    pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
    pin.Write(GpioPinValue.High);

    GpioStatus.Text = "GPIO pin initialized correctly.";
}

private void LightLED()
{
    if (res0 > 950)
    {
        pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
        LED.Fill = redBrush;
    }
    else if (res1 > 850)
    {
        pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
        LED.Fill = redBrush;
    }
    else if (res2 > 850)
    {
        pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
        LED.Fill = redBrush;
    }
}

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else if (res3 > 850)
{
    pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
    LED.Fill = redBrush;
}
else if (res4 > 850)
{
    pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
    LED.Fill = redBrush;
}
else if (res5 > 850)
{
    pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
    LED.Fill = redBrush;
}
else if (res6 > 850)
{
    pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
    LED.Fill = redBrush;
}
else if (res7 > 850)
{
    pin.Write(GpioPinValue.Low);
    LED.Fill = redBrush;
}
else
{
    pin.Write(GpioPinValue.High);
    LED.Fill = grayBrush;
}
}

private void Timer_Tick(object sender, object e)
{
    DisplayTextBoxContents();
    LightLED();
}

public void DisplayTextBoxContents()
{
    writeBuffer[0] = 0x01; // set to start
    writeBuffer[1] = 0x80; // set to channel 0
    SpiDisplay.TransferFullDuplex(writeBuffer, readBuffer);
    res0 = convertToInt(readBuffer);

    writeBuffer[1] = 0x90; // set to channel 1
    SpiDisplay.TransferFullDuplex(writeBuffer, readBuffer);
    res1 = convertToInt(readBuffer);
    res1 = (((res1 / 1023) * 4.60) - 0.5) / 0.01;

    writeBuffer[1] = 0xa0; // set to channel 2
    SpiDisplay.TransferFullDuplex(writeBuffer, readBuffer);
    res2 = convertToInt(readBuffer);

    writeBuffer[1] = 0xb0; // set to channel 3
    SpiDisplay.TransferFullDuplex(writeBuffer, readBuffer);
    res3 = convertToInt(readBuffer);
    res3 = (((res3 / 1023) * 4.60) - 0.5) / 0.01;

    writeBuffer[1] = 0xc0; // set to channel 4
    SpiDisplay.TransferFullDuplex(writeBuffer, readBuffer);
    res4 = convertToInt(readBuffer);
}

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writeBuffer[1] = 0xd0; // set to channel 5
SpiDisplay.TransferFullDuplex(writeBuffer, readBuffer);
res5 = convertToInt(readBuffer);

if (res5 > 850)
{
    res5_ = "FAIL";
} else
{
    res5_ = "OK";
}

writeBuffer[1] = 0xe0; // set to channel 6
SpiDisplay.TransferFullDuplex(writeBuffer, readBuffer);
res6 = convertToInt(readBuffer);

if (res6 > 850)
{
    res6_ = "FAIL";
} else
{
    res6_ = "OK";
}

writeBuffer[1] = 0xf0; // set to channel 7
SpiDisplay.TransferFullDuplex(writeBuffer, readBuffer);
res7 = convertToInt(readBuffer);

if (res7 > 850)
{
    res7_ = "FAIL";
} else
{
    res7_ = "OK";
}

textPlaceholder0.Text = res0.ToString();
textPlaceholder1.Text = Math.Round(res1, 1).ToString();
textPlaceholder2.Text = res2.ToString();
textPlaceholder3.Text = Math.Round(res3, 1).ToString();
textPlaceholder4.Text = res4.ToString();

textPlaceholder5.Text = res5_;
textPlaceholder6.Text = res6_;
textPlaceholder7.Text = res7_;

}
public int convertToInt(byte[] data)
{
    int result = data[1] & 0x0F;
    result <<= 8;
    result += data[2];
    return result;
}

private int LEDStatus = 0; //initialize the LED value
private const int LED_PIN = 6; //assigned the PIN 6 for output

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private GpioPin pin;

/*RaspBerry Pi2 Parameters*/
private const string SPI_CONTROLLER_NAME = "SPI0"; /* For RaspBerry
Pi 2, use SPI0 */
private const Int32 SPI_CHIP_SELECT_LINE = 0; /* Line 0 maps to
physical pin number 24 on the Rpi2 */

byte[] readBuffer = new byte[3]; /*this is defined to hold the output
data*/
byte[] writeBuffer = new byte[3] { 0x06, 0x00, 0x00 };//00000110 00;
// It is SPI port serial input pin, and is used to load channel configuration
data into the device

private SpiDevice SpiDisplay;
private SolidColorBrush redBrush = new
SolidColorBrush(Windows.UI.Colors.Red);
private SolidColorBrush grayBrush = new
SolidColorBrush(Windows.UI.Colors.LightGray);

// create a timer
private DispatcherTimer timer;

int res0;
double res1;
int res2;
double res3;
int res4;
int res5;
int res6;
int res7;

string res5_;
string res6_;
string res7_;
}
}

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APPENDIX B: XAML User Interface Program Code

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<Page
  x:Class="PotentiometerSensor.MainPage"
  xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml/presentation"
  xmlns:x="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
  xmlns:local="using:PotentiometerSensor"
  xmlns:d="http://schemas.microsoft.com/expression/blend/2008"
  xmlns:mc="http://schemas.openxmlformats.org/markup-compatibility/2006"
  mc:Ignorable="d"
  xmlns:igCA="http://infragistics.com/Chart"
>
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        HorizontalAlignment="Center">
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        Stretch="Uniform" />
        </StackPanel>
        <StackPanel Orientation="Horizontal" Grid.Row="1"
        HorizontalAlignment="Center">
          <Ellipse x:Name="LED" Fill="LightGray" Stroke="White"
        Width="30" Height="30" Margin="5"/>
        </StackPanel>
        <StackPanel Orientation="Horizontal" Grid.Row="2"
        HorizontalAlignment="Center">
          <TextBlock x:Name="GpioStatus" Text="Waiting for GPIO to
        be initialized" Margin="10,30,10,10" TextAlignment="Center" />
        </StackPanel>
        <StackPanel Orientation="Horizontal" Grid.Row="3"
        HorizontalAlignment="Center">
          <TextBlock Text=" ADC Ch0 - Potentialmeter: "
        TextAlignment="Left" />
          <TextBlock x:Name="textPlaceholder0" Text="Show Values 0
        Here" TextAlignment="Right" />
        </StackPanel>
      </Grid>
    </Border>
  </Grid>

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        <StackPanel Orientation="Horizontal" Grid.Row="4"
HorizontalAlignment="Center">
            <TextBlock Text=" ECU Temp (C): " TextAlignment="Left"
/>
            <TextBlock x:Name="textPlaceholder1" Text="Show Values 1
Here" TextAlignment="Right" />
        </StackPanel>
        <StackPanel Orientation="Horizontal" Grid.Row="5"
HorizontalAlignment="Center">
            <TextBlock Text=" Current (Amp): " TextAlignment="Left"
/>
            <TextBlock x:Name="textPlaceholder2" Text="Show Values 2
Here" TextAlignment="Right" />
        </StackPanel>
        <StackPanel Orientation="Horizontal" Grid.Row="6"
HorizontalAlignment="Center">
            <TextBlock Text=" Motor Temp (C): " TextAlignment="Left"
/>
            <TextBlock x:Name="textPlaceholder3" Text="Show Values 3
Here" TextAlignment="Right" />
        </StackPanel>
        <StackPanel Orientation="Horizontal" Grid.Row="7"
HorizontalAlignment="Center">
            <TextBlock Text=" etc... : " TextAlignment="Left" />
            <TextBlock x:Name="textPlaceholder4" Text="Show Values 4
Here" TextAlignment="Right" />
        </StackPanel>
        <StackPanel Orientation="Horizontal" Grid.Row="8"
HorizontalAlignment="Center">
            <TextBlock Text=" Cooling Fan Status: "
TextAlignment="Left" />
            <TextBlock x:Name="textPlaceholder5" Text="Show Values 5
Here" TextAlignment="Right" />
        </StackPanel>
        <StackPanel Orientation="Horizontal" Grid.Row="9"
HorizontalAlignment="Center">
            <TextBlock Text=" Coolant Sensor Status: "
TextAlignment="Left" />
            <TextBlock x:Name="textPlaceholder6" Text="Show Values 6
Here" TextAlignment="Right" />
        </StackPanel>
        <StackPanel Orientation="Horizontal" Grid.Row="10"
HorizontalAlignment="Center">
            <TextBlock Text=" Relay Status: " TextAlignment="Left"
/>
            <TextBlock x:Name="textPlaceholder7" Text="Show Values 7
Here" TextAlignment="Right" />
        </StackPanel>
    </Grid>
</Border>
</Grid>
</Page>

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