Blood Flow Monitoring Through Human Brachial Artery With The Help Of Oscilloscope By Indirect Method

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ABSTRACTS: The pattern of blood flow and detection of the same with the help of oscilloscope by indirect method through human brachial artery is the separate approach for reducing time of the treatment in medical science. The Physicians used to measure the blood Pressure by using Pneumatic Cuff encircling the upper arm of the patient. An inflatable section of this Cuff is inflated by a small hand pump and the blood Pressure is released after measuring the exact pressure. The Cuff is inflated to a Pressure greater than blood Pressure in the large brachial artery and Cuts off blood flow through brachial artery of the arm. This squirting blood results a display by an oscilloscope. This flow of blood through brachial artery of the human body will be detected with help of Pressure Transducer (Piezoelectric Transducer) similar to the Transducers used for direct Pressure measuring device. Any physician can estimate the condition of the blood circulation through the heart of the patient as well as the blocked passage of the vein/artery connected to heart of the patient by using an oscilloscope as a display device or using Monitor. Physician can detect primarily the heart condition of the patient. This type of special equipment can be helpful to cope up with the modern treatment.

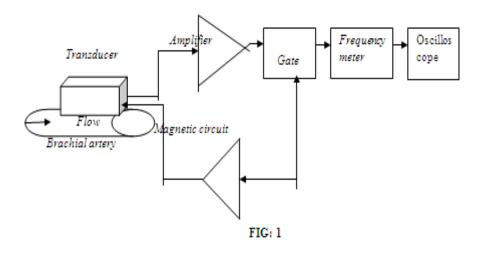
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I. INTRODUCTION

It is the indirect measurement of blood flow with the help of Transducer through the brachial artery /vessel/heart. The blood flow through the brachial artery will be detected by the magnetic flow meter and the flow will be displayed through the oscilloscope. The blood flow meter is based on the principle of magnetic induction method, when an electric conductor is moved through a magnetic field a voltage is induced in the conductor which is proportional to the velocity of its motion. The method is applied where the moving conductor is not a wire, but a conductive fluid which flows through the brachial artery located in the magnetic field. The vibration sensor used consists of semiconductor type strain gauges having a gauge factor of 162.

The strain gauges are differentially placed on the vibrating surface of the vibration sensor for measuring vibration of the brachial artery. The Pre-amplifier consists of 50 Hz notch filter connected in series with a band pass filter (200 Hz to 400 Hz). These circuits incorporate the operational amplifiers made of I.C. chips.

The output of the pre-amplifier is connected to buffer for connection to the audio amplifier, the output of which is subsequently connected to the respective output of the device such as speaker, C. R. O. and display device. The block diagram of a magnetic blood flow meter is shown in the Fig 1. A case study is considered involves 3 nos. of patients is given out of 30 at the end of he paper in tabular form. The direct and indirect both the method is applied to each of the patient with an objective to show the direct method can be easily replaced by indirect method with an added advantage of detection of blockage.



BLOCK DIAGRAM OF A MAGNETIC FLOW METER

II. METHODOLOGY

The Cuff is inflated by a pressure in the large brachial artery on the human arm. Pressure thus collapses the artery and cuts off blood flow through the arm. As the pressure in the Cuff is gradually released through a release valve operated by the hand pump, a point is reached where the Cuff pressure and the peak of Systolic arterial pressure are the same. At a pressure slightly below the level of peak arterial pressure when slightly exceeds the Cuff pressure and blood is squirt through the compressed segment of the brachial artery. The squirting blood results a turbulence within the artery creating sounds known "Korotkov" sound. These sounds are usually detected with a Stethoscope placed over the brachial artery on the arm. As the pressure is further decreased, Korotkov sounds continue until a point is reached where no further turbulence is produced. This point represents the Diastolic blood pressure. As it is some what difficult to detect the pressure where the Korotkov sounds begin and cease, this Sphygmomanometer technique can not be relied upon to produce an accuracy of much better than about 10 millimeters of mercury. The technique is inaccurate though it is simple to perform and very little discomfort is felt by the patients. This method can be replaced by using an oscilloscope, Digital display device and loud speaker to measure indirect blood pressure may be conveniently recorded, this system is shown in the Fig: 2. It is in addition of the previous the block diagram of Fig: 1.

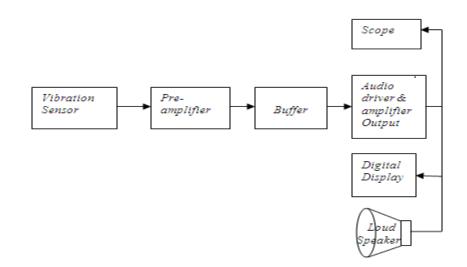


FIG: 2 SCHEMATIC REPRESENTATION OF THE CIRCUIT

The vertical channel of an oscilloscope displays the output in the form of a Korotkov sound, while the horizontal channel displays the output from a pressure transducer. A typical display produced by this system is also shown in the Fig - 3.The horizontal axis is calibrated by pressure; the points at which vertical information appears and disappears are the Systolic and Diastolic pressure respectively. The system having some what greater accuracy rather than the conventional measurement, as it replaced the human judgment by Korotkov

sound. In some cases the clear display has been obtained by rejecting the unwanted information from the microphone. The 150 Hz frequency is introduced to a high pass filter placed between the microphone and the oscilloscope vertical channel. The prime frequency contained the information appears having range of 200 Hz to 400 Hz.

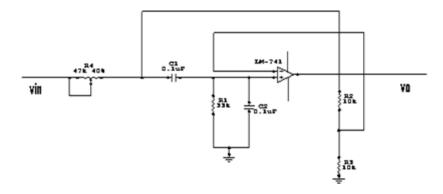




Fig: 3, show pre-amplifier circuit. The IC LM- 741 is used in the circuit. The function of the pre-amplifier circuit is to amplify the signal which is obtained from transducer and eliminates the noise at the same time. The signal obtained from this section is also given to the amplifier output stage through the volume control. In order to reduce the interference of the power line pick up a rejection filter at 50 cps is necessary for the ECG instrument. In the present work a rejection filter with twin – T network has been designed. This active filter

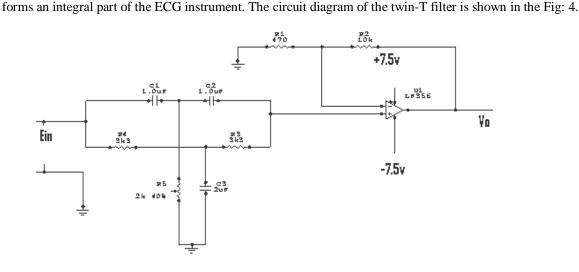


FIG: 4 THE CIRCUIT DIAGRAM OF THE TWIN-T FILTER

The transfer function of the twin -T network is given

 $\frac{E_0}{E_{in}} = \frac{1 + (RCS)^2}{(RCS)^2 + 2CS + 1}$ Where, R = Value of the resistance; C = Value of the Twin - T network capacitance; S = Jw; E₀ = Out put voltage of the Twin - T network; E_{in} = Input voltage of the Twin - T network. If the amplifier gain is K, then the output voltage E_0 of the active filter Will be $K[1 + (RCS)^2]$

 $E_0 = E_{in} \frac{R_{L^2} + 2CS + 1}{(RCS)^2 + 2CS + 1}$ Present design Values are K = 20, R = 3.3 Kilo – ohm, C = 1.0 micro- farad

III. CASE STUDY AND RESULTS

30 Nos. of male and female patients with their age group between 28 years to 46 years are examined. These patients were no hypertension, hypertension and diabetic. Only three results out of 30 Nos. of patients are furnished in the Table. All patients discontinued their medicine for 3- days before the study. They have no cardiovascular diseases and their clinical investigations were normal. The direct and indirect reading is compared to draw the final conclusion. While measuring the blood pressure the Cuff and Sensor are placed on the arm. The Sensor is fastened with the skin by adhesive plasters so that they can make a good contact with the skin without slipping over the skin surface. Finally the measurement is carried out by direct and indirect methods.

Name of the patient	Age	Direct Reading	Indirect Reading
T.K. Roy (Case-1)	28 years	B.P. 130/70	B.P. 135/70
G.B. Jana (Case-2)	45 years	B.P. 160/90	B.P. 168/88
A.Sengupta(Case-3)	46 years	B.P. 165/90	B.P. 168/68

IV. CONCLUSION

The conclusion can be made about the equipment is the detection and recording of Korotkov sound corresponding to Systolic and Diastolic blood pressure. Korotkov sound is not found in the conventional method for measuring the blood pressure with the help of Sphygmomanometer device. The added advantage of the device is that, it is capable to record the important aspects of Korotkov sound pattern corresponding to blood flow through human brachial artery by which Physician can easily investigate the actual causes of the disease. Time consuming manual measurement can be replaced by the device which will be beneficial for the Doctors to treat the patient faster.

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