Data Storage Based Heart and Body Temperature Measurement Device

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Abstract— Body health is the most important thing for human life. The heart is one of the organs of the body that is very important for humans. The heart functions to regulate the circulation of oxygen-rich blood and to carry leftover food in the body. Heart rate illustrates how hard the heart works. The heart rate needs to be monitored to find out the patient's condition. BPM measurement and temperature is an activity of measuring heart rate and body temperature. The patient's body temperature affects the patient's rapid heart to pump blood throughout the body. The study aims to design a heart rate and body temperature measuring device using an infrared LED as a transmitter and a photodiode as a receiver, an LM35 as the temperature sensor, and an LCD to display the final output. This tool uses an ATMega8 microcontroller as the controlling system. The device was completed with data storage and temperature indicators. The result of the test on the device showed that the device performed very well in measuring the heart rate and body temperature of adult patients aged 20 until 40 years old.

Keywords— Heart rate, Body temperature, Finger sensor, LM35, Microcontroller, ATMega8, LCD

I. INTRODUCTION

An examination of vital signs is a fast and efficient way to monitor a patient's condition or identify problems and evaluate responses. The examination provides basic information that allows further actions. Four components of the main vital signs that must be monitored routinely are blood pressure, pulse rate, respiratory frequency, and body temperature. If a patient is suspected of suffering from a serious medical condition that can affect his life, the vital signs will be monitored repeatedly and evaluation will continue to be carried out to assess the progress until the value of normal vital signs is obtained.

BPM is the number of heartbeats in one minute. A normal pulse for healthy adults is between 60 and 100 BPM. Bradycardia occurs when the pulse rate is below 60 per minute, while tachycardia occurs when the heart rate is above 100 BPM. The working principle of this diagnostic tool is to count the number of heartbeats in units of minutes, from the results of the heart rate calculation can be determined the condition of the patient in normal or abnormal conditions will be displayed on the LCD screen.

Body temperature is the difference between the amount of heat produced by the body and the amount of heat loss. The LM35 sensor is placed in the armpit to measure the patient's body temperature. Monitoring and measuring body temperature is very important to know the condition of the patient. A healthy body is able to maintain body temperature constantly even in changing environmental conditions. Normal temperatures in adults range from 36.5°C - 37.5°C. If the body temperature is below 36°C, it indicates hypothermia, whereas if the body temperature is more than 37.5°C it indicates hyperthermia. Body temperature has a relationship with the number of heartbeats, a slight change in body temperature can have a large effect on the performance of the heart because of the higher the patient's temperature, the faster the heart pumping blood throughout the body.

Some researchers have conducted research on heart rate and body temperature. Mohammedsheet and Aziz designed and implemented a digital heart rate counter using an 8051 microcontroller [1]. The system consisted of a finger-tip infrared sensor, an AT89S51 microcontroller, and an LCD display. Trivedi and Cheeran studied heart rate monitoring of android-based health parameters [2]. The system was monitored by the Android heart rate and body temperature. However, it couldn’t save the data obtained. Valipour and Abbasi-Kesbi designed a heart and respiratory rate sensor based on phonocardiogram for health care applications [3]. The system used two sensors in the form of a mini wireless acoustic sensor to detect heart rate and respiratory sounds, using raspberries, and monitors.

Lichtman examined the smart electrocardiogram monitoring system on Android [4]. The system consisted of ECG sensors to determine heart rate, signal processor, and Android. The system monitored the patient's heart rate. Patil studied android applications for driver assistance and event alert systems using ultrasonic sensors and heart rate sensors [5]. The system consisted of ultrasonic sensors, heart rate sensors, raspberry pi, and android. It was used to determine the heart rate and condition of the driver. Al-Shaher and Al-Khafaji investigated e-health system for monitoring vital signs [6]. The system used blood pressure sensors, heart rate, and blood sugar, microcontroller and ZigBee. It was used to monitor the patient's vital signs.

Wasnik and Jeyakumar designed a monitoring device to measure the stress level parameters of computer users [7]. The system consisted of ultrasonic sensors, accelerometers, an Arduino microcontroller, and an Android. The system
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monitored stress levels by using a heart rate indicator. Aziz investigated smart real-time health monitoring and tracking systems using GSM/GPS technology [8]. The system consisted of a heart rate and body temperature sensor, an Arduino microcontroller and a GPS/GSM module. It monitored a person's health level and knows his position. Kuruppuachchi, Perera, and Meegama examined wireless sensor nodes for simultaneous monitoring of health parameters [9]. The system used temperature sensors, an Arduino, a Wi-Fi module, and a smartphone.

Kokalki studied smart health tapes using IoT [10]. The system consisted of a temperature sensor, a heart rate sensor, an Arduino Uno microcontroller, and an android. It monitored temperature and heart rate. Anand studied the performance improvement of a portable home E-health monitoring system [11]. The system consisted of temperature sensors, an ECG, an LPC-2148 microcontroller and an SMS module. It monitored the patient's heart rate, body temperature, and it detected brain tumor. Mahmood Developed wireless body area networks for long-distance patient health observation [12]. he system used ECG sensors to detect heart rate, and body temperature and accelerator sensors to detect when the patients fall. It monitored the patient's condition remotely using Wi-Fi and GSM.

Some research on the design of microcontroller-based heart rate measurement design has been previously carried out. The device worked using optical technology as a sensor to detect blood flow in the skin in the fingertip radial artery. Based on the research, new innovations, and equipment by adding a diagnosis of normal hyperthermia, hypothermia to temperature, normal bradycardia and tachycardia for BPM in adult patients and equipped with data storage is necessary.

II. METHOD

The method to design and make the device was divided into three stages namely hardware design, software design and testing for data retrieval. The description of the method shown in the block diagram in Figure 1.

![Block diagram of the heart rate measuring device](Fig. 1)

The current flows to supply the voltage needed by all the circuits through the step up. The LM35 sensor [13]–[17] is attached to the armpit of the patient and the finger sensor clamped the fingers for heart rate measurement as shown in Figure 2 [1], [18]. The LM35 sensor detects body temperature. Every change in body temperature will change the voltage. The LM35 sensor output enters the micro input, then processed in a microcontroller to calculate the patient's body temperature value. The Finger sensor [19]–[23] contains an infrared LED that lights up and illuminates the fingers and a photodiode that is sensitive to light intensity. This light intensity will then be received by the photodiode. Analog signals from the photodiode are processed in the comparator circuit. These analog data/signals are amplified by a non-inverting amplifier circuit. The analog data/signals produced will be compared with the comparator reference for further triggering the monostable input so that it can provide high or low logic to the micro input, then it will be processed in the microcontroller to calculate the patient's BPM value. The microcontroller will read how many triggers come in for 30 seconds. The data obtained for 30 seconds will be displayed on the LCD and make the BPM turn on the light indicator.

![Finger sensor](Fig. 2)

Based on the block diagram, a supporting software on the heart rate and body temperature measuring module is needed. Data storage using ATMEGA8 is required to operate it. The software used in the module work system is Code Vision AVR Software. Figure 3 shows the flow diagram of the system.

![Flowchart](Fig. 3)
the device will start to take data on respiratory rate and heart rate for 30 seconds. If the result of the heart rate < 60 bradycardia dialog will appear, 60-100 indicates normal, > 100 indicates tachycardia. Normal body temperature in adults ranges from 36.5°C - 37.5°C. The temperature < 36°C indicates hypothermia, and > 37.5 °C indicates hyperthermia. The main controller of this device is the minimum system shown in Figure 4.

![Fig. 4. Schematic minimum system circuit and LCD](image)

Figure 5 displays the signal conditioning circuit using LM324 IC with 4 op-amps. Out of the four op-amps only three are used.

![Fig. 5. Signal conditioning circuit](image)

A stable mono circuit functions as a trigger and generates output from a signal conditioning circuit as shown in Figure 6.

![Fig. 6. Monostable circuit](image)

After designing hardware and software, measurements are performed by comparing the average value of the division of the amount of data taken or measured by the number of data retrieval and the number of measurements.

### III. RESULT AND DISCUSSIONS

The performance of the proposed device in the measurement of BPM and body temperature is satisfactory. Figure 7 shows pulse oximeter and thermometer as the comparison device.

![Fig. 7. Pulse oximetry](image)

The test results carried out by calculating body temperature and heart rate to 20 people, with three different activities as it is presented in Table 1. The table shows that activity affects the number of heartbeats and body temperature.

| Name  | Condition | Average HHR | Average TTEMP |
|-------|-----------|-------------|---------------|
| Andi  | Relax     | 101         | 36.28         |
|       | Walk      | 106         | 35.18         |
|       | Exercises | 121         | 36.42         |
| Afif  | Relax     | 96          | 36.12         |
|       | Walk      | 110         | 36.22         |
|       | Exercises | 125         | 36.12         |
| Sultan| Relax     | 98.4        | 37.36         |
|       | Walk      | 102         | 37.58         |
|       | Exercises | 120         | 36.96         |

The measurements using the designed device and the pulse oximetry as the comparison device was carried out alternately in a short time lag but with the same body condition. The results showed that the smallest heart rate error was 0.17% when the measurements carried out after exercising with an average value of heart rate measurement of 120 BPM. The greatest heart rate error 1.01% was obtained at relax conditions with the average heart rate value of 80 BPM. The smallest error value in the body temperature measurement was 05%, while the biggest error was during a sports condition with error value of 0.98% with an average body temperature measurement of 36.96°C.

### IV. CONCLUSIONS

Using a photodiode sensor as the receiver and infrared LED as the transmitter for heart rate measurement is magnificent because the sensitivity of the sensor is very helpful when conducting tests and data collection. The device uses an LM35 sensor as a measurement of body temperature. The results of the measurement are displayed on the LCD. The error rate generated after measuring and calculating the lowest BPM that is 0.17% and the biggest BPM error is 1.01%. While the body temperature error at least 0.05% and the biggest body temperature error is 0.98%. Based on the results of measurements and testing the average heart rate error results were 0.46% and the average error temperature is
0.43%. The test results show that the device has performed well in measuring the heart rate and body temperature with acceptable errors.

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