

# Application of MIL-STD- 1553B bus in aviation communication

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**Abstract**—It is introduced the application of MIL-STD-1553B bus in a certain aviation communication through analyzing the main features of MIL-STD-1553B bus and main function of aviation communication in this paper. And there are discussed the realization method of MIL-STD-1553B bus based on Tornado in the avionics communication of night vision system. In the paper, there are designs the software of the avionics communication and realized the control functions of the avionics communication.

**Keywords**- MIL-STD-1553B bus; aviation communication; night vision system; Tornado; software

## I. INTRODUCTION

With the demand of integrated avionics system, the importance of aviation communication is continuously improved. Now MIL-STD-1553B bus has become the first choice of aviation bus, and becomes more and more important<sup>[1-3]</sup>.

The night vision system of airplane is used for weapon system and command control system, which can search and aim at the target in 24 hours. When the target is captured, the night vision system of airplane can carry on automatic tracking to the target, irradiate the target by the laser designator and attack to the target by leading the anti-tank guided missile of laser. The system is used for the airplane, it is photoelectric system of airplane and the main sensor of the nighttime navigate. The system can search the target through the red hot radiation at the night and provide the picture of the front district of airplane. The pilot can control and operate the night vision system of airplane through a helmet.

## II. THE MIL-STD-1553B BUS

The MIL-STD-1553B bus is usually composed of several embedded systems of bus, the bus of embedded systems is independent each other, the resources and functions of the embedded systems can be shared through network<sup>[4]</sup>.

The features of MIL-STD-1553B bus are as follows :

- 1) MIL-STD-1553B bus is a kind of computer network of broadcast bus.
- 2) MIL-STD-1553B bus has strong real-time.
- 3) The way of MIL-STD-1553B bus is asynchronous operation.

## III. THE AVIONICS SYSTEM

The communication of the night vision system of airplane is realized by MIL-STD-1553B bus.

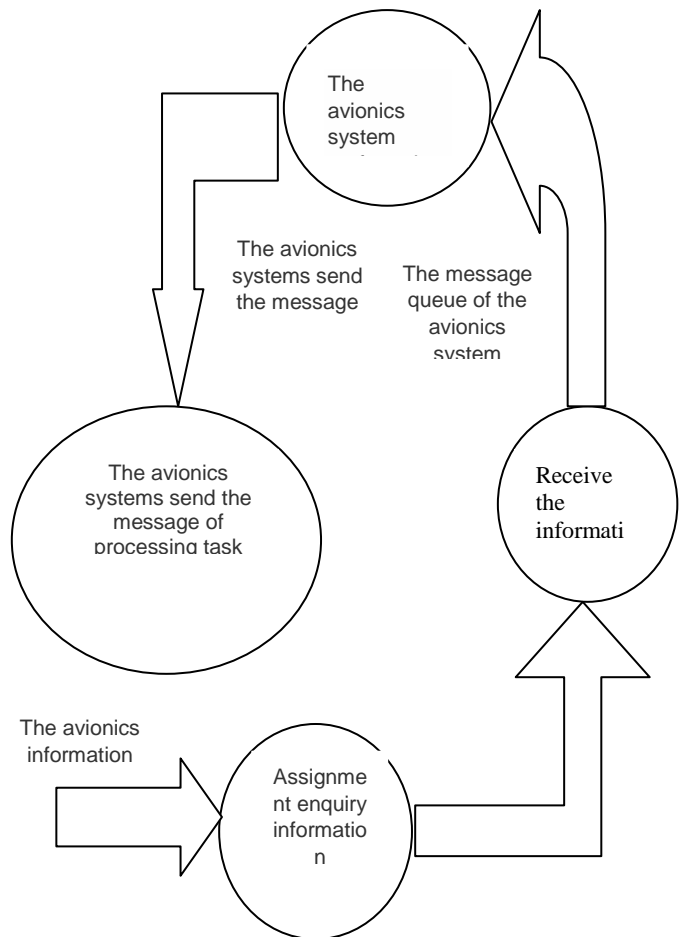


Figure 1. The principle diagram of the communication of the avionics system

The software of communication is reading operation instruction form aviation bus, analysis the content of

instruction, and sending the instruction to the night vision system of airplane. It is the purpose that realizing the tissue and decompose of communication between the the night vision system of airplane and the helmet. The principle diagram of the communication of the avionics system is as Fig .1.

There are three tasks of the communication of the avionics system.

1) *avonic\_polling\_msg*—The first task is assignment enquiry information. The night vision system of airplane search the communication by the MIL-STD-1553B bus. If there are new message, the night vision system of airplane read the message by the *BLOCK\_ID* and send the message to the data buffer. The code are as follows:

```

BEGIN
DOFOREVER
T=25ms; //The duty cycle is a 25 ms;
taskDelay(4);
if(ind==OK) // If the operation processing succeeded
{
If there have new message.
Call msg_Receive();
}
else
Call msg_Receive_failed().
END

```

2) *avonic\_rx\_msg*—The second task is receiving the information from the avionics system. The night vision system of airplane treat the message from the MIL-STD-1553B bus. The night vision system of airplane will send the new message to the MIL-STD-1553B bus after the message are decomposed by the file of ICD. The code are as follows:

```

BEGIN
DOFOREVER
Read_new(); //it is reading the message from the
avionics system.
Switch(msgBuf)
{
case 1 msgBuf==1 // When the news that receive is a
piece of 1
call treatment_message1 ();
break;
case 2 msgBuf==2 //When the news that receive is a
piece of 2
call treatment_message2 ();
break;
case 3 msgBuf==3 //When the news that receive is
a piece of 3
call treatment_message3 ();
break;

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case 4 msgBuf==4 //When the news that receive is
a piece of 4:00
call treatment_message4 ();
break;
}
END

```

3) *avonic\_tx\_msg*—The third task is that the avionics systems send the message of processing task. MIL-STD-1553B bus send the message of processing task to the system for treatment , which include that the message are orgnized by the data protocol of ICD . The code are as follows:

```

BEGIN
DOFOREVER
Read_message(); //it is reading the message from the
avionics system.
Send_message();
END

```

#### IV. THE SOFTWARE OF MIL-STD-1553B BUS BASED ON TORNADO

The software of MIL-STD-1553B bus is mainly receiving and analyzing the operating instruction from the night vision system of airplane, and exchange the information between the night vision system of airplane and the helmet<sup>[5-7]</sup>. The software based on tornado are as follows.

##### A. *The message processing module*

The message processing module is called by the software of the night vision system of airplane. The module make the data which should be send change of the message and preserve the message in the sending buffer. The principle diagram of the message processing module is as Fig .2<sup>[8]</sup>.

The code of message processing module is as follows:

```

1) Avonic_init_MIL-STD-1553B()-Initialization of
aviation communication board
BEGIN
DOFOREVER
There are definition of data structure of aviation system
and initialization of aviation communication board.
END
2) Avonic_init_scheduler()-Queues of receiving
message of aviation system
BEGIN
DOFOREVER
Q_avonic_rx_msg=msgQCreate(20,sizeof(unsigned
short),MSG_Q_FIFO); msg.msg_body=msgBuf;

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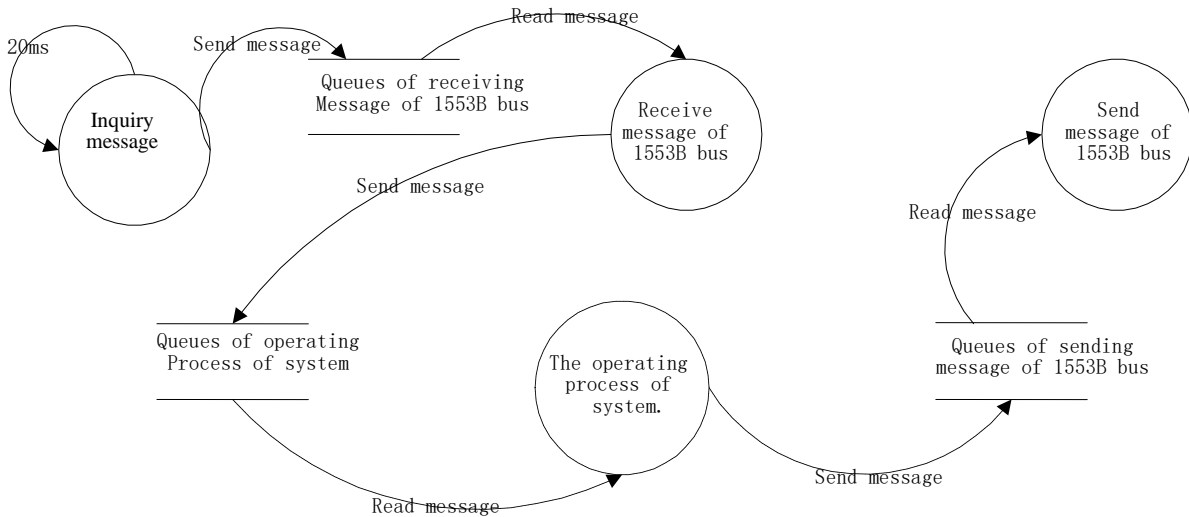


Figure 2. The principle diagram of the message processing module

```
task_id=taskSpawn("avonic_rx_msg_handle",PRI_AVON
IC_RX_TASK,VX_FP_TASK,1024,(FUNCPTR)tSysAvo
nic_rx_msg_handle, 0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0);
END
```

3) avonic\_start\_1553bs()-Driving aviation communication board  
BEGIN  
DOFOREVER  
If the driving success,the software will establish the task of aviation communication.  
END

4) Tavonic\_polling\_new\_msg()-Query of new message of the aviation system  
BEGIN  
DOFOREVER  
If there are new message of the aviation system,the system will send the message to the data buffer.  
END

5) Pi\_avonic\_get\_new\_msg()- Read newmessage;  
BEGIN  
DOFOREVER  
switch(block\_id)  
{  
Case 0x01: // initialization of the aviation system  
for(i=0;i<msg\_len[msg\_ln];i++)  
msgBuf=0x0111;  
msg.msg\_body=msgBuf;  
status=msgQSend(Q\_avonic\_rx\_msg,&msg.msg\_str[0],siz  
eof(unsigned short), NO\_WAIT,MSG\_PRI\_NORMAL);  
break;  
case 0x02: // Normal mode of the aviation system  
for(i=0;i<msg\_len[msg\_ln];i++)  
msgBuf=0x0121;

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status=msgQSend(Q_avonic_rx_msg,&msg.msg_str[0],siz  

eof(unsigned short), NO_WAIT,MSG_PRI_NORMAL);  

break;  

case 0x03: //Self-checking mode of the aviation  

system  

for(i=0;i<msg_len[msg_ln];i++)  

msgBuf=0x0141;  

msg.msg_body=msgBuf;  

status=msgQSend(Q_avonic_rx_msg,&msg.msg_str[0],siz  

eof(unsigned short), NO_WAIT,MSG_PRI_NORMAL);  

break;  

case 0x04: //Read the new message of the helmet  

for(i=0;i<msg_len[msg_ln];i++)  

msgBuf=0x0151;  

msg.msg_body=msgBuf;  

status=msgQSend(Q_avonic_rx_msg,&msg.msg_str[0],siz  

eof(unsigned short), NO_WAIT,MSG_PRI_NORMAL);  

break;  

END
```

### B. Status monitoring module

Status monitoring module is called by the software of the night vision system of airplane. The main function of status monitoring module is detected the status of the night vision system of airplane<sup>[9,10]</sup>. The code of status monitoring module are as follows:

```
BEGIN  

DOFOREVER  

if(flir_comm_cmd_buf==status_msg)  

{  

return_status_msg=0x00;  

switch(status_msg)  

{  

case COMM_CMD_FLIR_RESET:  

old_flir_status=(COMM_DEFAULT_FLIR_MANNER);
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```

break;
case COMM_CMD_FLIR_GL_INC:
old_flir_status=(flir_comm_cmd_buf)&(GL_CONTRACT_ITEM_COMM_CMD);

old_flir_status=(old_flir_status)|(COMM_DEFAULT_GL_CONTRACT);
break;
case COMM_CMD_FLIR_GL_DEC:
old_flir_status=(flir_comm_cmd_buf)&(GL_CONTRACT_ITEM_COMM_CMD);

old_flir_status=(old_flir_status)|(COMM_DEFAULT_GL_CONTRACT);
break;
case COMM_CMD_FLIR_CONTRACT_INC:
old_flir_status=(flir_comm_cmd_buf)&(GL_CONTRACT_ITEM_COMM_CMD);

old_flir_status=(old_flir_status)|(COMM_DEFAULT_GL_CONTRACT);
break;
case COMM_CMD_FLIR_CONTRACT_DEC:
old_flir_status=(flir_comm_cmd_buf)&(GL_CONTRACT_ITEM_COMM_CMD);

old_flir_status=(old_flir_status)|(COMM_DEFAULT_GL_CONTRACT);
break;
case COMM_CMD_FLIR_UNAVERAGE:
old_flir_status=(flir_comm_cmd_buf)&(UNAVERAGE_ITEM_COMM_CMD);

old_flir_status=(old_flir_status)|(COMM_DEFAULT_UNAVERAGE);
break;
case COMM_CMD_FLIR_BIT:
old_flir_status=(flir_comm_cmd_buf)&(FLIR_EXEC_MANNER_ITEM_COMM_CMD);

old_flir_status=(old_flir_status)|COMM_CMD_FLIR_NORMAL;
break;
default:
old_flir_status=(flir_comm_cmd_buf)&(FLIR_EXEC_MANNER_ITEM_COMM_CMD);
break;
}
}
else
{
return_status_msg=0x01;

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}
return(return_status_msg);
}
END

```

## V. CONCLUSION

This paper designed the software of MIL-STD-1553B bus in the night vision system of airplane and described the task of the aviation communication. The aviation system is controlled by the MIL-STD-1553B bus, the software have been applied in some weapon system and have obtained better effect than before.

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