# Design of intelligent greenhouse automatic control system based on C language

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**Abstract:** The greenhouse can effectively improve the yield per unit area of land, out of season limits the growth of plants, based on this, puts forward a set of intelligent greenhouse automatic control system based on C language design, through the system can be realized in to carry on the accurate control of the greenhouse environment and effectively improve the degree of intelligent greenhouse environment control, increase production of greenhouse cultivation has very important significance.

## 1. Introduction

From the point of greenhouse technology development situation in China and abroad, greenhouse control technology development can be divided into three stages, 1<sup>st</sup> stage is manual control stage, use the traditional instrument and meter to monitor the environment, then manual adjust the relative equipment to control the environment<sup>[2-5]</sup>.

But see from the existing greenhouse automation control system design, most of the control system is designed in a centralized way<sup>[9]</sup>, the intelligent level is low, the greenhouse environmental parameters monitoring is not comprehensive. Considering this background, this thesis propose a design of intelligent greenhouse automatic control system based on C language.

## 2. Basic structure of intelligent greenhouse system

Greenhouse automatic control system is mainly to maintain the greenhouse environment balance, keep the environment within the setting target and the error of the allowed range<sup>[13]</sup>, please refer to illustrator 1, which show the normal design structure of automatic greenhouse, which normally includes heating equipment, carbon dioxide producing equipment, humidification equipment, ventilation control cabinets, lighting and temperature control cabinet and the central control cabinet etc.

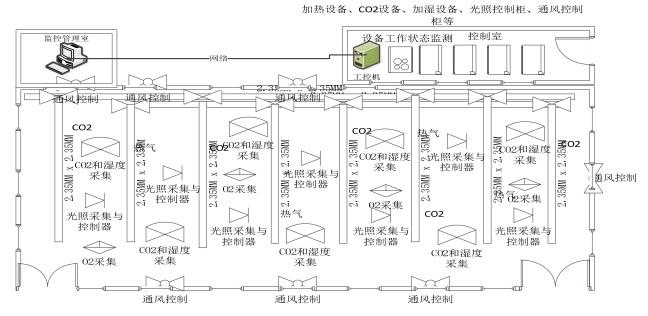


Illustration 1 Design structure of automatic greenhouse

加热设备	heating equipment, carbon dioxide producing equipment, and the central control cabinet etc.	
CO2 设备	carbon dioxide producing equipment	
加湿设备	humidification equipment	
光照控制柜	lighting and temperature control cabinet	
通风控制柜	ventilation control cabinets	
监控管理室	Monitoring and control room	
网络	Network	
工控机	Industrial personal computer	
设备工作状态监控	Equipment working condition monitoring	
控制室	Control room	
CO2 和湿度采集	CO2& humidity acquisition	
光照采集与控制器	Lighting acquisition	
通风控制	Ventilation control	

## 3. Intelligent greenhouse automatic control system hardware structure designs

Based on above analysis of greenhouse automation design structure, we can conclude that the greenhouse automatic control system structure as shown in illustrator 2,take industrial controller as the core, through the RS485 highway and greenhouse environment data acquisition sensors, control room equipment control network inside the greenhouse to acquire the environment parameter.

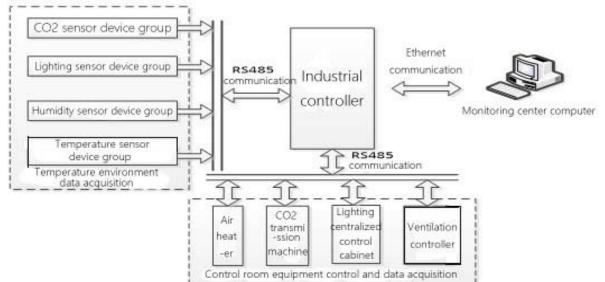


Illustration 2 Intelligent greenhouse automatic control system hardware structure design

CO2 传感器设备组	CO2 sensor device group	
光照传感器设备组	Lighting sensor device group	
湿度传感器设备组	Humidity sensor device group	
温度传感器设备组	Temperature sensor device group	
室温环境数据采集	Temperature environment data acquisition	
工业控制器	Industrial controller	
监控中心计算机	Monitoring center computer	
热风机	Air heater	
CO2 输送机	CO2 transmission machine	
灯光集中控制柜	Lighting centralized control cabinet	
通风控制器	Ventilation controller	
控制室设备控制与信息采集	Control room equipment control and data acquisition	

## 4. Intelligent greenhouse automatic control system software overall structure design

According to above analysis of intelligent greenhouse automatic control system hardware structure, we can have the conclusion of this thesis, the design of the intelligent greenhouse automatic control system based on C language software design mainly needs to implement seven modules as RS485 communication, control room equipment acquisition, control room equipment control, sensor information collection, intelligent control, PC based on TCP/IP communication interaction and configuration information processing. System builds on the Linux operating system and the C program language, the whole software system structure as shown in illustrator 3.

智能控制模块					
传感器信息采集	控制室设备控制 控制室设备信 息采集 基于TCI		专 <b>TCP/IP</b> 上位机		
RS485通信模块		配置信息处理		通信交互模块	
Linux C语言库 stdio.h/Stdiolib.h/math.h/ string.h/sys/socket.h sys/types.h/netinet/in.h/netdb.h/unistd.h TCP/IP协议					
Linux操作系统					

## Illustration 3 Control system software overall structure design

Intelligent control modules						
Sensor data collection	control room equipment control	control room equipment data acquisition	PC based on TCP/IP communication interaction modules			
RS485	Configuration information processing					
communication						
Linux C program language library			TCP/IP			
Linux Running system						

## 5. System core module design and implementation

According to above greenhouse automatic control system software overall architecture design we can concluded that the system should include RS485 communication, control room equipment

acquisition, control room equipment control, sensor information collection, intelligent control, the main function module of system implementation, this section will introduce these two big module design in details.

## 5.1 Intelligent control module design and implementation

Intelligent control module is the core module of the intelligent greenhouse automatic control system based on C language, it calls information acquisition, equipment control and PC based on TCP/IP communication interface module to coordinate the whole system to realize the greenhouse environment controlling, guarantee the greenhouse will run smoothly according to various preset environmental parameters, the entire module running processes show as illustrator 4.

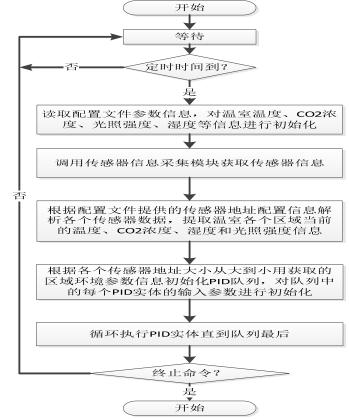


Illustration 4 Intelligent control module design and process

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ing configuration files parameter information, lize the room temperature, CO2 entration, lighting, humidity
the sensor information acquisition module for or information
ording to the configuration file for sensor ess configuration information for each sensor analysis, extract the greenhouse erature, CO2 concentration, humidity and information
nge Region parameter information from big to small size based on the address from each or to initialize the PID queue, initialize each neter of PID entity in the queue.
PID entity queue until the last one
inate the command
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5.2 PC based on TCP/IP communication interaction and control module design and implementation

The principal computer machine based on TCP/IP communication interaction and control module is the interaction control core of the system, and is also the basis for greenhouse system management, the module including two parts, the subordinate computer running on the IPC and the principal computer running on a monitor computer. The subordinate computer is responsible for the reception the control from the principal computer and feedback the whole greenhouse environmental information and equipment operation information to the principal computer. The illustrator 5 as below shows the subordinate computer work process.

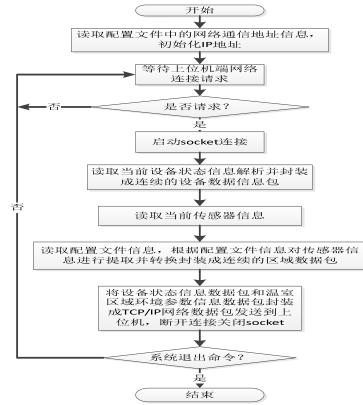


Illustration 5 Subordinate computer with PC based on TCP/IP communication interaction and control module design and implementation

开始	Start	
读取配置文件中的网络通信地址信息,初始	Read network address information in the	
化 IP 地址	configuration file , initialize the IP address	
	Waiting for principal computer network	
等待上位极端网络连接请求	connection requests	
是否请求	Request or not	
启动 SOCKET 连接	Start SOCKET connection	
	Read the current equipment state information analysis and encapsulated into the continuous	
设备数据信息包	data packets	
读取当前传感器信息	Read current sensor information	
读取配置文件信息, 根据配置文件信息对传 感器信息进行读取并转换封装成连续的区域 数据包	Reads the configuration file information, according to the configuration file to read and convert sensor information packets encapsulated into a continuous area data package	
将设备状态信息数据包和温室区域环境参数 信息数据包封装成TCP/IP网络数据包发送到 上位机, 断开连接关闭 SOCKET	The equipment state information packet and greenhouse environment parameter information encapsulated into a TCP/IP network packets sent to the PC, disconnect and close the SOCKET	
系统退出命令	Terminate the command	
结束	Finish	

There are two kinds of design for proposal computer program. 1<sup>st</sup> one is sending the updated data command to the subordinate computer regularly, request the subordinate computer to feedback the greenhouse environment parameter information and equipment running condition, realize the real-time monitoring. Another design is setting in the program, after setting, the program will

connected to the subordinate computer to call the initial function to initiate the user interface.

## 6. Conclusions

Greenhouse automatic and intelligent control will improve the greenhouse management efficiency, increase the productivity and also greatly increase the industrialization development of greenhouse cultivation. It is a trend for greenhouse technology development.in the future. So the proposal in this thesis is about design of intelligent greenhouse automatic control system based on C language. Regarding current intelligent greenhouse design, raise up the hardware and also software structure, explain the design and implementation process of some core module in detail, through testing implementation, proves the intelligent greenhouse automatic control system will realize the centralization management of the greenhouse and automatically control the equipment to maintain the greenhouse environment in a constant condition according to the pre-set parameter, which have very important significance to improve the greenhouse intelligent level and management efficiency.

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