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# Design and Experiment for Dual-Mass MEMS Gyroscope Sensing Closed-Loop System

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**ABSTRACT** A closed-loop controlling system for Micro Electro Mechanical System (MEMS) gyroscope sense mode is investigated in this paper, and the controller is designed to achieve low error, wide bandwidth and low noise capability. The gyroscope monitoring system includes four independent closed-loop, and is simulated by Simulink soft to prove the speedability and stability of the sensing closed-loop. The gyroscope monitoring system is realized through 3 analog circuit boards, and is tested through temperature controlled turntable. The bias stability, angular random walking value and bias temperature coefficients improved from 2.168 °/h, 0.155°/√h and 10.59 °/h/°C to 0.415 °/h, 0.0414°/√h and 3.59°/h/°C. And the bandwidth value is improved from 13Hz to 104Hz. Meanwhile, scale factor nonlinearity, asymmetry, repeatability and temperature coefficient parameters are enhanced from 660 ppm, 430ppm, 403ppm and 180 ppm/°C to 59.3ppm, 62.4ppm, 50.4ppm and 28.7 ppm/°C respectively.

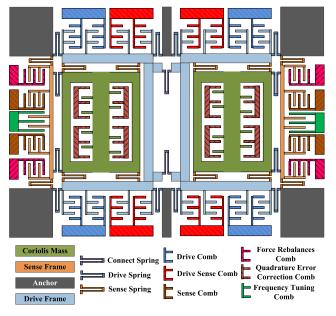
**INDEX TERMS** Micro Electro Mechanical System (MEMS) gyroscope, sensing closed-loop, experiment, quadrature error, step response.

#### I. INTRODUCTION

With the development of MEMS relative technology, new technology and devices are applied in civil and military fields, such as including micro robot, energy harvesting, automotive safety, aircraft and vehicle control, attitude determination, industrial controlling, inertial navigation, micro signal detection, equipment fault diagnosis and consumer electronics [1]–[11]. And MEMS gyroscope is one of the most important representative of MEMS device that require multi discipline and technology, including structure optimization [12], weak signal detection [13], [14], output signal drift analysis [15], structure mechanical model analysis [16]–[18], output data temperature compensation [19]–[21], quadrature error compensation [22], and so

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on. Sensing closed-loop can improve the characteristic of gyroscope. In work [23]–[27], traditional PI controller was employed in gyroscope sensing closed-loop, and outstanding results were achieved: the gyroscope bias stability is better than 0.1°/h [23] and 3°/h [24], and the controllers were reported to have excellent temperature subject range  $(-25^{\circ}C)$ to 70°C in [23] and  $-40^{\circ}$ C to 125°C in [24]). Furthermore, the sensing closed loop improves the scale factor [25], bandwidth [16], [17], [27] and anti vibration [26] performance of gyroscope. Genetic algorithm was employed in reference [28] and [29] to form the sensing closed-loop, and with the help of sigma-delta modulator, the system achieves better performance than sensing open loop. Work [30] proposed a novel decentralized sense mode closed-loop, and MEMS gyroscope bias stability characteristic enhanced a lot. And, in work [31] and [32], sigma-delta modulator in sensing closed-loop improves the noise characteristic of the gyroscope. Paper



**FIGURE 1.** The structure diagram of dual-mass MEMS gyroscope investigated in this paper.

[33] utilized automatic gain controlling (AGC) method to control the sensing mode of a single mass gyroscope. Work [34] investigated the notch filter technology in sense mode close-loop, and the scale factor characteristic and bandwidth were better than sensing open-loop. A narrow-band controller was utilized in sense mode feedback loop in reference [35], and improves some dynamic parameters of gyroscope. Work [36] reported a sensing closed-loop controlling method by employing fuzzy reliability and Taguchi design technology, which enhanced the temperature performance of the gyroscope.

The aim of this paper is to investigate the MEMS gyroscope sensing closed-loop, and also, the controller is supposed to simple, and have better temperature adaption. With the sensing closed-loop, the gyroscope performance will be improved obviously. The rest of the paper is organized as: Section II introduces the MEMS gyroscope structure including mode analysis and equation of motion. In Section III, sensing closed-loop is designed based on Sensing closed-loop Controller (SCLC), and the system is analyzed and simulated. Then, in Section IV, the gyroscope sensing open-loop together with the closed-loop systems are tested and the SCLC system results are shown. Finally, in Section V, the test results are discussed and the conclusion is remarked.

#### **II. MEMS GYROSCOPE SENSITIVITY STRUCTURE**

The MEMS gyroscope structure diagram investigated in this paper is shown in Figure. 1 [7], [8].

From Fig.1 it can be seen that the structure is symmetrical and is divided into left and right part. And two connect springs link the left and part together. For left or right part, the structure can be divided as one "U" shaped drive frame, one sense frame, six drive springs, six sense springs, one Coriolis mass

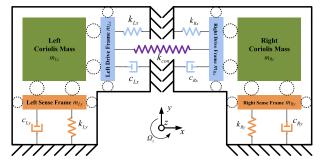


FIGURE 2. The mechanical diagram of dual-mass MEMS gyroscope structure.

and one group of drive comb, drive sense comb, sense comb, force rebalances comb, quadrature error correction comb and frequency tuning comb. The whole structure has six anchor, which was bonded to glass basement, and the springs, frames and Coriolis mass are impending and supported by anchors. The "U" shaped springs can release the thermal stress during the bonding process.

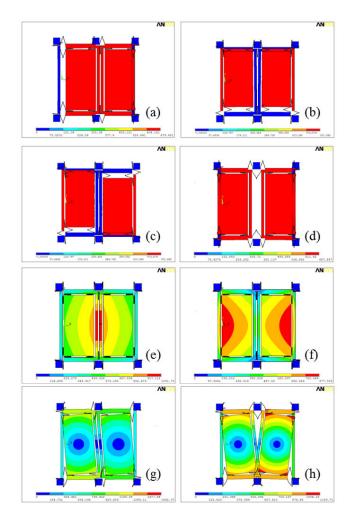
The structure equivalent mechanical model is shown in Fig. 2, the left and right mechanical system is connected by connect spring (with the stiffness coefficient as  $k_{con}$ ). And it is obviously that the structure is typical decoupled one, which is better for signal detection and coupled error suppression.

The frequency tuning comb is based on squeeze film type, which can provide electrostatic negative stiffness and change the sense mode resonant frequency to optimize the mechanical sensitivity and bandwidth. The quadrature error correction comb employed non equal distance squeeze film type, which can generate electrostatic negative stiffness to correct the quadrature coupling stiffness [22]. Other combs are slide film type, and the linearity is better and different combs have their own functions: Drive comb is used to stimulate the drive mode of the gyroscope; Drive sense comb is utilized to detect the amplitude of drive mode; Sense comb is employed to pick up the movement of sense mode; Force rebalances comb is used to generate the sense feedback force.

The first eight order modes of the structure are simulated and shown in Fig. 3, and the working modes should be emphasized. The sensing in-phase mode (Q value is  $Q_{y1}$ , and resonant frequency is  $\omega_{y1}$ ) is shown in Fig. 3 (b), and two Coriolis masses move along y axis in same direction. The 3<sup>rd</sup> mode is sensing anti-phase mode (which is shown in Fig. 3(c) with resonant frequency  $\omega_{y2}$  and Q value is  $Q_{y2}$ ), two Coriolis masses vibrate in inverse direction along y axis. The drive anti-phase mode is shown in Fig. 3 (d), with resonant frequency  $\omega_x$  and in this mode, two Coriolis masses move in inverse direction along x axis.

The left and right gyroscope mechanical systems are independent and their motion equation can be expressed as [7]:

$$m\ddot{D} + \omega m \frac{1}{Q}\dot{D} + m\omega^2 D = F$$
(1)



**FIGURE 3.** MEMS gyroscope structure lower eight vibration order: (a) Drive in-phase mode (16481rad/s); (b) Sensing in-phase mode(20998 rad/s); (c) Sensing anti-phase mode(21790 rad/s); (d) Drive anti phase mode(21891 rad/s); (e) Z axis out plane mode(25981 rad/s); (f) structure Z axis shape change mode (30316 rad/s); (g) Z axis in phase twist mode(39741 rad/s); (h) Z axis anti phase twist mode(41626 rad/s).

where,

$$\boldsymbol{m} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{Lx} + m_{Lc} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_{Ly} + m_{Lc} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_{Rx} + m_{Rc} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & m_{Ry} + m_{Rc} \end{bmatrix}, \\ \boldsymbol{D} = \begin{bmatrix} x_l \\ y_l \\ x_r \\ y_r \end{bmatrix}, \quad \boldsymbol{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} Q_{Lx} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & Q_{Ly} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Q_{Rx} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & Q_{Ry} \end{bmatrix}, \\ \boldsymbol{F} = \begin{bmatrix} F_{Ldrive} \\ -2m_{Lc}\Omega_{z}\dot{x}_{l} + F_{Lyfc} \\ F_{Rdrive} \\ -2m_{Rc}\Omega_{z}\dot{x}_{R} + F_{Ryfc} \end{bmatrix}, \\ \boldsymbol{\omega} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\omega}_{Lx} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \boldsymbol{\omega}_{Ly} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \boldsymbol{\omega}_{Rx} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \boldsymbol{\omega}_{Ry} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \operatorname{diag}\left[\sqrt{\frac{2k_{Lx} + k_{con}}{2(m_{Lx} + m_{Lc})}}, \sqrt{\frac{k_{Ly}}{m_{Ly} + m_{Lc}}}, \sqrt{\frac{2k_{Rx} + k_{con}}{2(m_{Rx} + m_{Rc})}}, \sqrt{\frac{k_{Ry}}{m_{Ry} + m_{Rc}}}\right]$$

are the mass, displacement, quality factor, external force and resonant frequency matrix respectively;  $m_{Lx} = m_{Rx}$ ,  $m_{Ly} = m_{Ry}$  and  $m_{Lc} = m_{Rc}$  are the equivalent mass of left drive frame, right drive frame, left sense frame, right sense frame, left Coriolis mass and right Coriolis mass;  $k_{Lx} = k_{Rx}$ ,  $k_{Ly} = k_{Ry}$  and  $k_{con}$  are the equivalent stiffness of left drive mode, right drive mode, left sense mode, right sense mode and connect spring;  $x_l$ ,  $x_r$  and  $Q_{Lx} = Q_{Rx}$  are left and right drive (anti-phase) mode displacement and quality factor;  $y_l$ ,  $y_r$  and  $Q_{Lv} = Q_{Rv}$  are left and right sense mode displacements and quality factors;  $\Omega_z$  is angular rate input; sense frame masses  $m_{Ly} = m_{Ry} \ll m_{Lc} = m_{Rc}$ ; drive mode electrostatic force  $F_{Ldrive} = F_{Rdrive} = F_d sin(\omega_d t)$ ,  $F_d$  and  $\omega_d$  are drive mode stimulating magnitude and frequency;  $F_{Lyfc} = F_{Ryfc}$ are left and right sense mode feedback forces. For an ideal structure (ignore the manufacture error), the left and right system should have the symmetrical moving characteristic, so we have  $x = x_l = -x_r$ ,  $Q_{Lx} = Q_{Rx} = Q_x$ ,  $Q_{Ly} = Q_{Ry} =$  $Q_y, \omega_{Lx} = \omega_{Rx} = \omega_x, \omega_{Ly} = \omega_{Ry} = \omega_y$ , and the sense mode movement is the superposition of 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> modes, then the displacement of drive and sense modes can be got from equation (1) as:

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \frac{F_d/m_x}{\sqrt{(\omega_x^2 - \omega_d^2)^2 + \omega_x^2 \omega_d^2/Q_x^2}} \sin(\omega_d t + \varphi_x) \\ &+ \frac{F_d \omega_x \omega_d / m_x Q_x}{(\omega_x^2 - \omega_d^2)^2 + \omega_x^2 \omega_d^2/Q_x^2} e^{-\frac{\omega_x}{2Q_x} t} \\ &\times \cos(\sqrt{1 - 1/4Q_x^2} \omega_x t) \\ &+ \frac{F_d \omega_d (\omega_x^2/Q_x^2 + \omega_d^2 - \omega_x^2) / m_x}{\omega_x \sqrt{1 - 1/4Q_x^2} \left[ (\omega_x^2 - \omega_d^2)^2 + \omega_x^2 \omega_d^2/Q_x^2 \right]} \\ &\times e^{-\frac{\omega_x}{2Q_x} t} \sin(\sqrt{1 - 1/4Q_x^2} \omega_x t) \end{aligned}$$
(2)  
$$y(t) &= \frac{\frac{-2\Omega_z \omega_d F_d}{m_x \sqrt{(\omega_x^2 - \omega_d^2)^2 + \omega_x^2 \omega_d^2/Q_x^2}}}{\sqrt{(\omega_y^2 - \omega_d^2)^2 + \omega_y^2 \omega_d^2/Q_y^2}} \sin(\omega_d t + \varphi_x + \frac{\pi}{2} + \varphi_y) \\ &+ \frac{\left[ \frac{2\Omega_z \omega_d F_d}{m_x \sqrt{(\omega_x^2 - \omega_d^2)^2 + \omega_x^2 \omega_d^2/Q_x^2}} \right]}{\left( \omega_y \omega_d \sin \varphi_x / Q_y + \left( \omega_y^2 - \omega_d^2 \right) \cos \varphi_x \right]} \\ &+ \frac{\left[ (\omega_y^2 - \omega_d^2)^2 + \omega_x^2 \omega_d^2/Q_x^2 \right]}{\left( (\omega_y^2 - \omega_d^2)^2 + \omega_x^2 \omega_d^2/Q_y^2} \end{aligned}$$

 $\times e^{-\frac{\omega_y}{2Q_y}t}\cos(\sqrt{1-1/4Q_y^2}\omega_y t) + \frac{-2\Omega_z\omega_d F_d}{m_x\sqrt{(\omega_x^2-\omega_d^2)^2+\omega_x^2\omega_d^2/Q_x^2}}$ 

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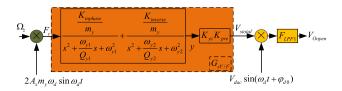


FIGURE 4. The dual-mass MEMS gyroscope sensing open-loop system schematic.

$$\times e^{-\frac{\omega_y}{2Q_y}t} \sin(\sqrt{1-1/4Q_y^2}\omega_y t)$$

$$\times \frac{\left[\omega_y \left(\omega_y^2 - 3\omega_d^2\right)\cos\varphi_x / (2Q_y) + \omega_d \left(\omega_y^2 / (2Q_y^2) + \omega_y^2 - \omega_d^2\right)\sin\varphi_x\right]}{\omega_y \sqrt{1-1/4Q_x^2} \left[\left(\omega_y^2 - \omega_d^2\right)^2 + \omega_y^2 \omega_d^2 / Q_y^2\right]}$$
(3)

where,  $\varphi_x = -tg^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega_x \omega_d}{Q_x(\omega_x^2 - \omega_d^2)}\right)$ ,  $\varphi_y = -tg^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega_y \omega_d}{Q_y(\omega_y^2 - \omega_d^2)}\right)$ and in the drive closed-loop, we have  $\omega_x = \omega_d$ , and we get:

$$\begin{cases} x(t) = \frac{F_d Q_x}{m_x \omega_d^2} \cos(\omega_d t) = A_x \cos(\omega_d t) \\ y(t) = \frac{-2\Omega_z F_d Q_x}{m_x \omega_d \sqrt{\left(\omega_y^2 - \omega_d^2\right)^2 + \omega_y^2 \omega_d^2 / Q_y^2}} \sin(\omega_d t) \quad (4) \\ = A_y \sin(\omega_d t). \end{cases}$$

#### III. SENSING CLOSED-LOOP DESIGN

#### A. SENSING OPEN-LOOP ANALYSYS

The dual-mass MEMS gyroscope sensing closed-loop is based on open-loop system, whose schematic is shown in Figure. 4.

In the above figure,  $K_{yc}$  and  $K_{pre}$  are displacement to capacitance transform function and pre-amplifier;  $K_{amp}$  is second differential amplifier;  $F_{LPF1}$  is second order low pass filter,  $F_{BTCPC}$  is the controller;  $K_{FBy}$  is voltage-force interface transform coefficient of force rebalances combs;  $K_{inphase}$  and  $K_{inverse}$  are displace-voltage transform parameters of sensing in-phase and anti-phase modes, and the equations can be got:

$$F_c(t) = 2\Omega_z(t) m_y A_x \omega_d \sin \omega_d t$$
(5)

$$V_{stotal}(s) = F_c(s) G_{sV/F}$$
(6)

$$V_{Oopen} = V_{dac} \sin(\omega_d t + \varphi_{d0}) V_s F_{LPF1}$$
(7)

$$G_{sV/F} = \left(\frac{K_{inphase}}{s^2 + \frac{\omega_{y1}}{Q_{y1}}s + \omega_{y1}^2} + \frac{K_{inverse}}{s^2 + \frac{\omega_{y2}}{Q_{y2}}s + \omega_{y2}^2}\right) K_{yc}K_{pre}$$
(8)

And it can be got after the Laplace transform:

$$V_{stotal}(s) = A_x \omega_d K_{yc} K_{pre} (\Omega_z(s - j\omega_d) + \Omega_z(s + j\omega_d))$$
$$\times \left( \frac{K_{inphase}}{s^2 + \frac{\omega_{y1}}{Q_{y1}}s + \omega_{y1}^2} + \frac{K_{inverse}}{s^2 + \frac{\omega_{y2}}{Q_{y2}}s + \omega_{y2}^2} \right) \quad (9)$$

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Substitute Equation (9) into (7) and we have:

$$V_{Oopen}(s) = \frac{1}{2} A_x \omega_d V_{dac} K_{yc} K_{pre} F_{LPF1}(s) \\ \times \begin{cases} \left( \frac{[\Omega_z(s) + \Omega_z(s + 2j\omega_d)] e^{-j\varphi_{d0}} K_{inphase}}{(s + j\omega_d)^2 + \frac{\omega_{y1}}{Q_{y1}} (s + j\omega_d) + \omega_{y1}^2} \\ + \frac{[\Omega_z(s) + \Omega_z(s + 2j\omega_d)] e^{-j\varphi_{d0}} K_{inverse}}{(s + j\omega_d)^2 + \frac{\omega_{y2}}{Q_{y2}} (s + j\omega_d) + \omega_{y2}^2} \end{array} \right) \\ + \left( \frac{[\Omega_z(s - 2j\omega_d) + \Omega_z(s)] e^{j\varphi_{d0}} K_{inphase}}{(s - j\omega_d)^2 + \frac{\omega_{y1}}{Q_{y1}} (s - j\omega_d) + \omega_{y1}^2} \\ + \frac{[\Omega_z(s - 2j\omega_d) + \Omega_z(s)] e^{j\varphi_{d0}} K_{inverse}}{(s - j\omega_d)^2 + \frac{\omega_{y2}}{Q_{y2}} (s - j\omega_d) + \omega_{y2}^2} \end{array} \right) \end{cases}$$
(10)

The low pass filter  $F_{LPF1}$  cut off the high frequency signal and ignore the demodulator phase error (make  $\varphi_{d0} = 0$ ), and Equation (10) can be expressed as:

$$\left|\frac{V_{Oopen}(s)}{\Omega_{z}(s)}\right| = \left|\frac{1}{2}A_{x}\omega_{d}V_{dac}K_{yc}K_{pre}F_{LPF1}(s)G_{equal}(s)\right|$$
(11)  
where,

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$$= \left[ \frac{K_{inphase}(s^{2} + \frac{\omega_{y1}}{Q_{y1}}s + \omega_{y1}^{2} - \omega_{d}^{2})}{(s^{2} + \frac{\omega_{y1}}{Q_{y1}}s + \omega_{y1}^{2} - \omega_{d}^{2})^{2} + (2s\omega_{d} + \frac{\omega_{y1}}{Q_{y1}}\omega_{d})^{2}} + \frac{K_{inverse}(s^{2} + \frac{\omega_{y2}}{Q_{y2}}s + \omega_{y2}^{2} - \omega_{d}^{2})}{(s^{2} + \frac{\omega_{y2}}{Q_{y2}}s + \omega_{y2}^{2} - \omega_{d}^{2})^{2} + (2s\omega_{d} + \frac{\omega_{y2}}{Q_{y2}}\omega_{d})^{2}} \right]$$

In Equation (11), the transform function of the MEMS gyroscope sensing open-loop is shown, and its Bode Map is shown in Fig.5. And the static scale factor can be got when s=0 (12), as shown at the bottom of the next page.

Because,  $(\omega_{y1,2}^2 - \omega_d^2) \gg \frac{\omega_{y1,2}}{Q_{y1,2}} \omega_d$  and  $K_{inverse} \gg K_{inphase}$ , then, the gyroscope open-loop scale factor can be expressed as:

$$\frac{V_{Oopen}(s)}{\Omega_{z}(s)} \bigg| = \frac{A_{x}V_{dac}K_{yc}K_{pre}K_{inverse}F_{LPF1}(s)(s^{2} + \frac{\omega_{y2}}{Q_{y2}}s + \omega_{y2}^{2} - \omega_{d}^{2})}{(s^{2} + \frac{\omega_{y2}}{Q_{y2}}s + \omega_{y2}^{2} - \omega_{d}^{2})^{2} + (2s\omega_{d} + \frac{\omega_{y2}}{Q_{y2}}\omega_{d})^{2}}$$
(13)

#### B. SENSING CLOSED-LOOP DESIGN AND ANALYSYS

The MEMS gyroscope sensing closed-loop system is shown in Figure. 6. The system is based on sensing open-loop, and the following equations can be got from Fig. 6.

$$V_{s}(s) = K_{yc}K_{pre}K_{amp}\left(F_{c}(s) - F_{yfc}(s)\right) \\ \times \left(\frac{K_{inphase}}{s^{2} + \frac{\omega_{y1}}{Q_{y1}}s + \omega_{y1}^{2}} + \frac{K_{inverse}}{s^{2} + \frac{\omega_{y2}}{Q_{y2}}s + \omega_{y2}^{2}}\right)$$
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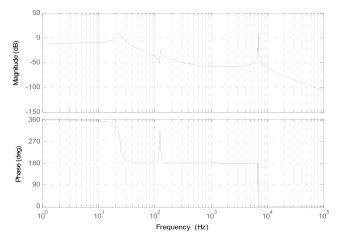


FIGURE 5. The MEMS gyroscope sensing open-loop system Bode Map.

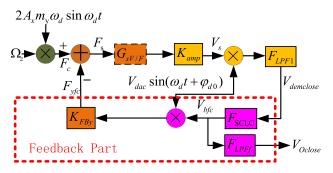


FIGURE 6. The schematic of MEMS gyroscope sensing closed-loop.

$$V_{bfc}(t) = V_{demclose}(t) F_{SCLC}$$
(15)

$$F_{yfc}(t) = K_{FBy} V_{bfc}(t) V_{dac} \sin(\omega_d t + \varphi_{d0})$$
(16)

$$V_{Oclose} = V_{bfc} F_{LPFf} \tag{17}$$

Also, employ the same method used in Equation (10) and (11), and we get:

$$V_{demclose}(s) = \frac{V_{dac}}{2} K_{yc} K_{pre} K_{amp} F_{LPF1}(s) \times \left(A_x \omega_d \Omega_z(s) - \frac{V_{dac} K_{FBy} V_{bfc}(s)}{2m_y}\right) G_{equal}(s)$$
(18)

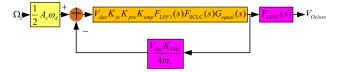


FIGURE 7. MEMS gyroscope sensing closed-loop system diagram.

The following equation can be got from Equation (18), (15), and (19), as shown at the bottom of this page.

Then the sensing closed-loop system controlling diagram can be express in Fig.7:

From the Equation (19) and Fig. 7 it is obviously that the key point of the system is the controller  $F_{SCLC}$ , in this work, we employ a big value of  $F_{SCLC}$ , and make:

$$\frac{V_{dac}^2 K_{FBy}}{4m_v} K_{yc} K_{pre} K_{amp} F_{LPF1}(s) F_{SCLC}(s) G_{equal}(s) \gg 1$$

Then, Equation (19) can be simplified as:

$$\left|\frac{V_{Oclose}(s)}{\Omega_z(s)}\right| = \left|\frac{2m_y F_{LPFf}(s)A_x \omega_d}{K_{FBy} V_{dac}}\right|$$
(20)

From the Equation (20) it can be seen that the scale factor of sensing closed-loop does not have relationship with the sense mode resonant frequency. And different  $F_{SCLC}$  values are investigated to verify the stability of the system. The value of  $F_{SCLC}$  was choose as: 0.1, 1, 10, 50, 100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 1000, 2000, 5000, 10000, and the Pole-Zero Map was shown in Fig. 8. And when  $F_{SCLC} > 500$ , the poles appeared in positive half real axis, which makes the system unstable. So the  $F_{SCLC}$  should be designed carefully and should satisfy the following requirement [16]:

(1).  $F_{SCLC}$  should have large enough gain in low frequency part, which provides low controlling error and enhance the static capability of the gyroscope.

(2). In middle frequency stage  $F_{SCLC}$  should expand the bandwidth of the gyroscope, which improve the dynamic performance of the gyroscope.

(3). Outside the bandwidth frequency stage,  $F_{SCLC}$  should decrease the high frequency noise signal, and improve the signal-noise rate of the gyroscope.

$$\left|\frac{V_{Oopen}(0)}{\Omega_{z}(0)}\right| = \left| \times \left\{ \frac{\frac{1}{2}A_{x}\omega_{d}V_{dac}K_{yc}K_{pre}F_{LPF1}(0)}{(\omega_{y1}^{2} - \omega_{d}^{2})^{2} + (\frac{\omega_{y1}}{Q_{y1}}\omega_{d})^{2}} + \frac{K_{inverse}(\omega_{y2}^{2} - \omega_{d}^{2})}{(\omega_{y2}^{2} - \omega_{d}^{2})^{2} + (\frac{\omega_{y2}}{Q_{y2}}\omega_{d})^{2}} \right\} \right|$$
(12)

$$\frac{V_{Oclose}(s)}{\Omega_z(s)} = \frac{2V_{dac}K_{yc}K_{pre}K_{amp}F_{LPF1}(s)F_{SCLC}(s)F_{LPFf}(s)A_x\omega_d G_{equal}(s)}{4 + \frac{V_{dac}^2K_{FBy}}{m_y}K_{yc}K_{pre}K_{amp}F_{LPF1}(s)F_{SCLC}(s)G_{equal}(s)}$$
(19)

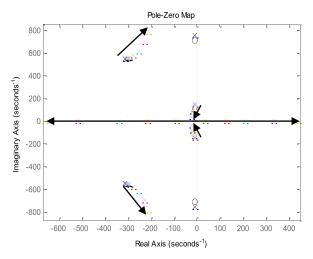


FIGURE 8. Pole-Zero Map of sensing closed-loop with different *F<sub>SCLC</sub>* values.

Then, the transfer function of  $F_{SCLC}$  can be expressed as:

$$F_{SCLC}(s) = \frac{K_{pi}s^2 + 2K_{pi}\omega_{pi1}s + K_{pi}\omega_{pi1}^2}{s^2 + \omega_{pi2}s}$$
(21)

## C. MEMS GYROSCOPE SENSING CLOSED-LOOP SYSTEM SIMULATION

In MATLAB Simulink environment, we build up the model of MEMS gyroscope sensing closed-loop, which is as shown in Fig. 9. Basically, four closed-loops are configured in the model: drive closed-loop, two quadrature error correction closed-loops for left and right mass structure [22] and sensing closed-loop. And based on this system, the schematic is shown in Fig.10 [8]:

In drive closed-loop, the signal is processed as following steps:

(1). Drive mode displacement signal conversion and amplification: the displacement x(t) of drive frame is detected by drive sense combs and processed by differential instrument amplifier in part (1).

(2). Stimulation signal alternating part modulation reference signal preparation: the differential module (2) generates a 90° phase difference to meet the phase condition of drive signal modulator reference  $V_{dac}Sin(\omega_d t)$ .

(3). Signal amplitude pick up, compare and controlling: the amplitude of  $V_{dac}Sin(\omega_d t)$  is detected and valued by full-wave rectifier in module (3) and a low pass filter in part (4). And, in module (5),  $V_{dac}$  is added with voltage  $V_{ref}$  (6), then, drive PI controller (7) generates the control signal based on the adding consequence.

(4). Stimulation signal form stage: the control signal is modulated by  $V_{dac}Sin(\omega_d t)$  in module (8) to generate the drive signal alternating part and after that, in part (10), the signal is added with direct current voltage  $V_{DC}$  in module (9) to generate electrostatic force to stimulate the drive mode.

The sensing closed-loop system is processed as following:

(1). Sense mode displacement signal conversion and amplification: the Coriolis masses' movement is picked up by sense frame, and are detected separately by same instrument differential interface as drive loop pre amplifiers (1). Then the signal is enlarged through second differential amplifier (1) and generate the sense frame (mode) movement total signal  $V_s$ .

(2). Sense mode displacement signal demodulation:  $V_s$  is demodulated by reference signal  $V_{dac}Sin(\omega_d t)$  (in module ③) and generates the demodulated signal  $V_{sdem}$ . Then, low pass filter  $F_{LPF1}$  in module ④ cut off the high frequency part of the signal  $V_{sdem}$ .

(3). Sensing closed-loop output: The output signal of  $F_{LPF1}$  is the controlling reference signal of  $F_{SCLC}$  in module (5), and  $F_{SCLC}$  generates the feedback signal, which forms the final closed-loop output signal  $V_{Oclose}$  after the low pass filter  $F_{LPFf}$  in part (6).

(4). Sense feedback channel: the output of  $F_{SCLC}$  is modulated by reference  $V_{dac}Sin(\omega_d t)$  and formed feedback alternating part. And the feedback direct current part is  $V_{FDC}$  in module 20 two parts are added in parts (18) and (19). Then, the sense loop feedback signal is finished and apply to the force rebalances combs.

The quadrature error correction closed-loop system employs left and right mass independent correction method and the correction technology is based on coupling stiffness correction method. So, it includes two same closed-loops and the signal is processed as following [22]:

(1). Quadrature error demodulation: the left and right mass sense frame displacement signals are picked up separately in module (1), and the output signals of module (1) are sent to demodulator (2) and demodulated by drive mode displacement in-phase signal from drive closed-loop.

(2). Quadrature error compensation: the demodulated signals are processed by low pass filters and are compared by reference signal VQREF (module 2) through parts 2.

(3). Quadrature error correction controlling signal: the results of compensation are sent to quadrature error controller in module (2), and generate two independent controlling signals to quadrature error correction combs to correct the quadrature error signal.

Four closed-loops are independent and aim different object signals.

The simulation results of the model in Fig. 9 is shown in Fig. 11, including sensing open-loop and closed-loop.

In Fig. 11, sensing open-loop output signal  $V_{Oopen}$  is steady after 1s when the system is "power on", and an angular rate with  $\Omega_z=100$  °/s is input when time is 3s, and at 3.5s the system back to steady state. During this stage, the peak value of sense mode displacement y is about 0.08um.

When the sense loop is closed, as shown in Fig. 11, the output signal  $V_{Oclose}$  is stable less than 0.5s after "power on", and also, input with  $\Omega_z=100$  °/s at 3s, the system returns to steady state at 3.3s, and the sense mode displacement is 0.1nm, which is far smaller (about 800 times) than the

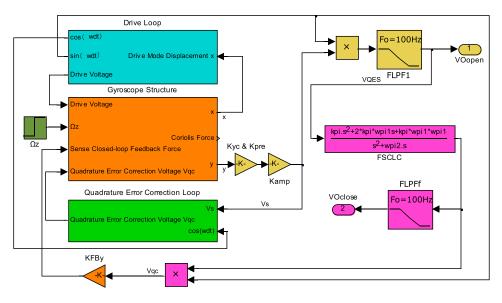
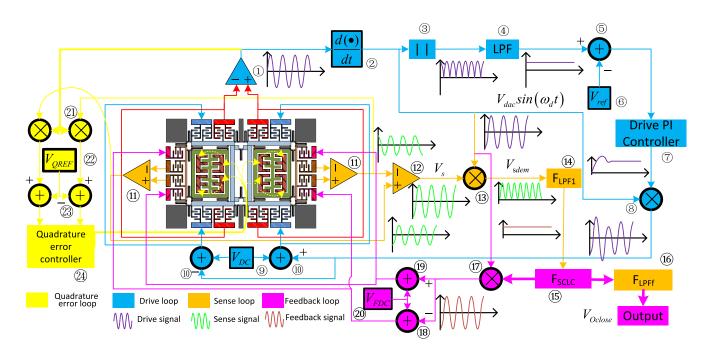


FIGURE 9. The Simulink modal of MEMS gyroscope sensing closed-loop.



#### FIGURE 10. Four closed-loop MEMS gyroscope monitoring system schematic.

open loop state. And the simulation proves the stability and speedability of the sensing closed-loop.

#### **IV. EXPERIMENT**

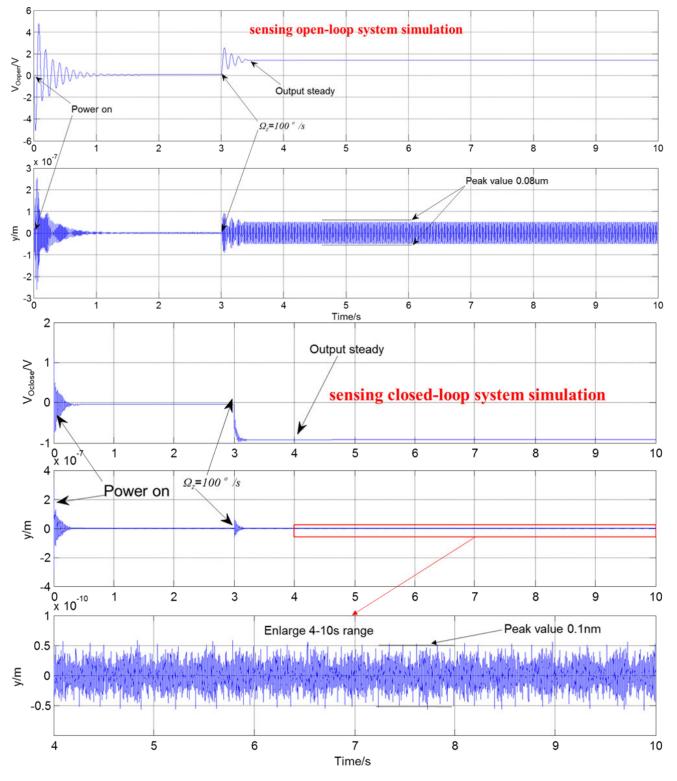
#### A. EXPERIMENT PLATFORM AND EQUIPMENT

The MEMS gyroscope prototype tested in this paper is developed by our team. The prototype includes the following part:

(1). The gyroscope structure: is processed by MEMS technology, Deep Reactive Ion Etching (DRIE) and

Silicon on Glass (SOG) processing methods are utilized.

- (2). The chip level package: vacuum ceramics shell is employed to provide the high Q value for the structure.
- (3). Analog circuits: 3 PCB boards are employed and:
  - PCB I: including drive closed-loop and pre-amplifiers of sense loop. And according with module ①-① in Fig.10.
  - PCB II: containing two independent quadrature error correction closed-loops for left and right





masses. And according with module (1)-(2) in Fig.10.

- PCB III: arranged the sense open and closed-loop. And according with module (2)-(2) in Fig.10.
- (4). Overall: the prototype size is 46\*46\*36mm<sup>3</sup>, the power supply is ±8V DC voltage and GND, the power consumption is about 560mW, outside package is steel shell.

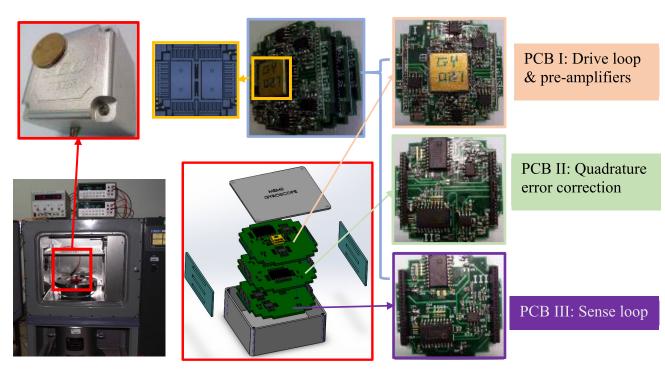


FIGURE 12. MEMS gyroscope prototype and test platform.

The test equipment including: oscilloscope (Agilent DSO7104B), multimeter (Agilent 34401A), digital power (Agilent E3631A), the signal generator (Agilent 33220A), temperature oven, and turntable. The prototype and equipment are shown in Fig. 12.

#### **B. STATIC TEST**

The static tests steps are:

(1). Preparation: stable the turntable, open the oven door and let the inside temperature of gyroscope equal to the environment temperature, and 1Hz sampling rate is set.

(2). Data collection: detect the sensing open-loop output signal  $V_{Oopen}$  for 4800 points, pick up sensing closed-loop output signal  $V_{Oclose}$  six groups and 4800 points each group. Power off at least 1 hour after each 4800 points to make sure the gyroscope is cool.

(3). Scale factor calculation: make  $\Omega_z = \pm 100^{\circ}$ /s, and read the gyroscope output to calculate the scale factor.

The static test curves of drive mode movement signal (selected up from module ①) and sense mode movement signals (picked up from module ②) under sensing open-loop and closed-loop conditions are captured by oscilloscope and shown in Fig. 13. It is obviously that in open loop, the phase of sense output signal is 90 degree difference with drive mode, and the amplitude is about 750mV (peak-peak value). And in closed-loop, the sense mode movement is only noise left, no frequency and phase characteristic can be observed, which verified the simulation results in Fig. 11.

The Allan derivation of the static tests are shown in Fig. 15, and the bias stability of sensing open-loop and sensing closed-loop five tests are 2.168 °/h and 0.445 °/h, 0.460 °/h, 0.321 °/h, 0.356 °/h, 0.441 °/h and 0.469 °/h respectively.

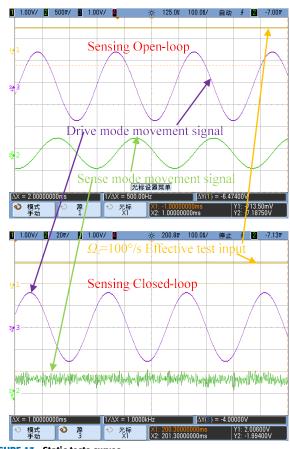


FIGURE 13. Static tests curves.

The angular random walking values of sensing open-loop and sensing closed-loop five tests are 0.155 °/ $\sqrt{h}$  and 0.0416 °/ $\sqrt{h}$ , 0.0415 °/ $\sqrt{h}$ , 0.0415 °/ $\sqrt{h}$ , 0.0413 °/ $\sqrt{h}$ ,

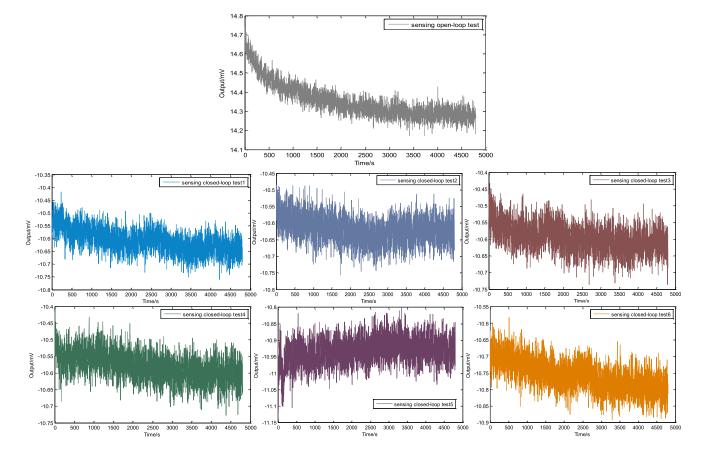
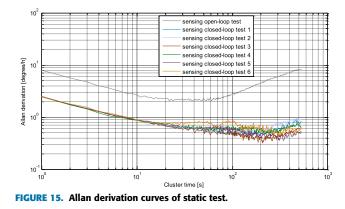


FIGURE 14. Static test output of the gyroscope.



 $0.0413 \circ/\sqrt{h}$  and  $0.0409 \circ/\sqrt{h}$  respectively. The results show that the bias stability and angular random walking parameters are improved obviously after the sensing closed-loop is employed.

#### C. DYNAMIC TEST

In order to test the dynamic characteristic of the sensing closed-loop system, the step response test is arranged. The process of the dynamic experiment is:

(1). Preparing stage: two channels of oscilloscope are connected to signal generator and sense mode movement *y*. And the trigger is set with signal generator and up edge is valid.

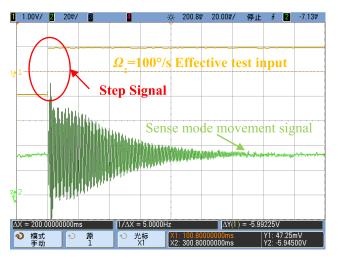


FIGURE 16. Sensing closed-loop response test.

(2). Angular rate effective voltage: the force rebalancing combs stimulation method is employed [16], and the  $\Omega_z = 100^{\circ}$ /s effective angular rate is calculated as about 1V and the signal generator provide the voltage.

With the above two step, the dynamic test is done and the signal curves are shown in Fig. 16. The peak value of the sense mode movement is about 50mV and after about 120ms

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#### TABLE 1. Gyroscope scale factor experiment.

State	Test	Clockwise Scale Factor (mV/°/s)	Anticlockwise Scale Factor (mV/°/s)	Scale factor (mV/°/s)	Nonlinearity (ppm)	Asymmetry (ppm)	Repeatability (ppm)	
Sensing Open-loop	Test 1	-10.0234	-10.0268	-10.0260	511	398		
	Test 2	-10.0296	-10.0251	-10.0294	659	499	403	
	Test 3	-10.0339	-10.0034	-10.0206	811	392		
	Average	-	-	-10.0253	660	430		
Sensing Closed-loop	Test 1	9.29612	9.29674	9.29662	69.87	66.7		
	Test 2	9.29673	9.29745	9.29718	39.04	76.4	50.4	
	Test 3	9.29616	9.29657	9.29625	68.9	44.1	50.4	
	Average	-	-	9.29668	59.27	62.4		

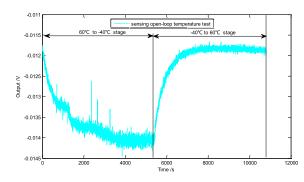


FIGURE 17. MEMS gyroscope sensing open-loop temperature test.

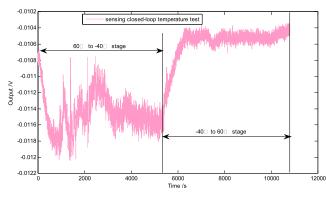


FIGURE 18. MEMS gyroscope sensing open-loop temperature test.

the sense mode returns to stable state (as same as before step signal input), which verify the speedability and stability.

#### D. TEMPERATURE TEST

The temperature range of the experiment is  $-40^{\circ}$  to  $60^{\circ}$ , sampling rate is 1Hz. The temperature is set up to  $60^{\circ}$ , and down to  $-40^{\circ}$ , stay one hour and up to  $60^{\circ}$ , and keep one hour. The full temperature range output signal of sensing open-loop and closed-loop are shown in Fig. 17 and Fig.18.

The max and min values of sensing open-loop and closed-loop are -11.3115 mV, -14.2607 mV, -10.4002 mV and -11.3272 mV, respectively.

Sensing open-loop and closed-loop bandwidth values are 13 and 104Hz, which were tested through turntable.

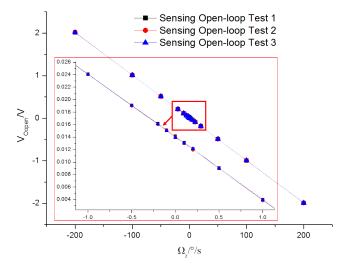


FIGURE 19. Sensing open-loop scale factor test.

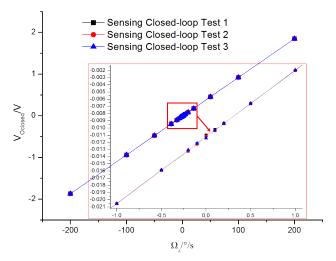


FIGURE 20. Sensing closed-loop scale factor test.

#### E. SCALE FACTOR TEST

The scale factor experiments are finished on the turntable, and three tests are arranged to verify the repeatability of scale factor. The open-loop and closed-loop scale factor tests results are shown in Fig.19 and Fig. 20. The MEMS gyroscope scale factor experiment results under room temperature

TABLE 2. Gyroscope scale factor temperature experiment.

State	Test	+1°/s (mV)	-1°/s (mV)	Scale factor (mV/°/s)	Scale factor Temperature coefficient (ppm/°C)
Sensing Open-loop	60℃ -40℃ 20℃	-22.018 -23.920 -	-1.6055 -4.1623	-10.2061 -9.87869 -10.0253	180
Sensing Closed- loop	60℃ -40℃ 20℃	-1.6302 -2.4397 -	-20.191 -20.980	9.28037 9.26999 9.29668	28.7

#### TABLE 3. Gyroscope test conclusion.

Parameter	Open-loop	Closed-loop
		0.445
		0.460
Bias stability	2.168	0.321
(°/h)	2.108	0.356
		0.441
		0.469
		0.0416
		0.0415
Angular random walk	0.155	0.0415
(°/√h)	0.155	0.0413
		0.0413
		0.0409
Bias temperature coefficient (°/h/℃)	10.59	3.59
Bandwidth (Hz)	13	104
Scale Factor (mV/°/s)	-10.0253	9.29668
Scale Factor Nonlinearity (ppm)	660	59.3
Scale Factor Asymmetry (ppm)	430	62.4
Scale Factor Repeatability (ppm)	403	50.4
Scale Factor Temperature Coefficient (ppm/°C)	180	28.7

are shown in Table 1, and the temperature experiment results are shown in Table 2.

#### **V. CONCLUSION AND DISCUSSION**

This paper proposed a sensing closed-loop controller system for dual-mass gyroscope, and the controller has advantage on low controlling error, bandwidth expanding and low noise. The sensing closed-loop circuit and system are designed and simulated, and the simulation results show that the sensing closed-loop system is speedability and stability, the sense mode movement is decreased by 800 times after the sensing closed-loop. The four closed-loops system is established on three PCBs by analog circuits, then the experiments results prove the sensing closed-loop advantage. The bias stability improved 80.9% and reached 0.415 °/h on six time average value. The angular random walking values enhanced 73.3% and the bias temperature coefficients improved 66.1%, the bandwidth value is improved from 13Hz to 104Hz. Meanwhile, scale factor nonlinearity, asymmetry, repeatability and temperature coefficient parameters are optimized by 91.0%, 85.5%, 87.5% and 84.1% respectively. The Coriolis force caused displacement of sense mode was rebalanced and decreased which improved the performance of the gyroscope. The results of the experiment prove the correctness of the design method proposed in this paper.

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