

Temperature-Based Fan Speed Control System

A Temperature-Based Fan Speed Control System is an automated system designed to regulate the speed of a fan based on the surrounding ambient temperature. The system uses a temperature sensor to detect the temperature and a microcontroller to process this data and adjust the fan speed accordingly. The goal is to maintain a comfortable and safe temperature level, improve energy efficiency, and reduce unnecessary noise.

Main Components:

1. Temperature Sensor (e.g., LM35, DHT11, or DS18B20):

- Measures the ambient temperature.
- Sends an analog or digital signal to the microcontroller representing the temperature level.

2. Microcontroller (e.g., Arduino, PIC, or 8051):

- Reads temperature data from the sensor.
- Processes the data and generates a PWM (Pulse Width Modulation) signal to control the fan speed.
- The duty cycle of the PWM signal increases with temperature.

3. Fan (DC Fan or Motor):

- Connected to a transistor or motor driver circuit that responds to the PWM signal.
- Rotates at different speeds based on the PWM input, i.e., faster at higher temperatures and slower at lower temperatures.

4. Motor Driver/Transistor (e.g., MOSFET, TIP122):

- Acts as a switch to power the fan based on the PWM signal from the microcontroller.

5. Power Supply:

- Provides the necessary voltage to the system components.

Working Principle:

1. The temperature sensor constantly monitors the room/environment temperature.
2. The sensor sends temperature data to the microcontroller.
3. The microcontroller compares the temperature to predefined thresholds.
4. It then generates a PWM signal with a specific duty cycle:
 - Low temperature -> Low duty cycle -> Fan runs slowly or stops.
 - High temperature -> High duty cycle -> Fan runs faster.
5. The fan speed is thus directly proportional to the temperature.

Advantages:

- Energy Efficient: Fan only runs at high speed when necessary.
- Noise Reduction: Fan runs quieter at lower speeds.
- Automation: No need for manual adjustment.
- Protection: Helps prevent overheating of electronic components or spaces.

Applications:

- CPU and electronic device cooling
- Smart home temperature control
- Greenhouses and agricultural monitoring
- Industrial automation systems