

Homemade Fiber Optic Sensor for Temperature Measurement



Article Overview

You can build a low-cost fiber optic temperature sensor using optical fibers, a temperature-sensitive material, and a simple optical detection system, suitable for DIY and educational projects.

Overview

Fiber optic temperature sensors measure temperature by detecting changes in light properties as it travels through the fiber. These sensors are immune to electromagnetic interference, can operate in high-temperature or hazardous environments, and allow the sensing point to be physically separated from the measurement electronics. For a homemade setup, the goal is to create a passive sensing system where the fiber itself or a small temperature-sensitive element modulates the light signal.

Types Suitable for DIY

- Non-interferometric sensors: Use a temperature-sensitive material (e.g., GaAs, CdTe, or Si) at the fiber tip. The material changes its optical properties (absorption or reflection) with temperature, which can be detected by a photodetector. This is simpler to implement at home.
- Fiber Bragg Grating (FBG) sensors: Involve inscribing a periodic pattern in the fiber core. Temperature changes shift the reflected wavelength, which can be measured with a simple spectrometer or photodiode setup.
- Interferometric sensors: Use Mach-Zehnder or Fabry-Pérot interferometers. These...

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