

This sensor uses a resistance whose value varies with the temperature (thermistor) to determine the temperature of the sensor.



Install the Tinkerkit library on your computer, and the Tinkerkit shield on your Arduino board. Connect the sensor to the IO input of the shield. If you do not have a suitable cable, or no Tinkerkit shield, connect your sensor to the AO input of your Arduino board (see "Tinkerkit shield" sheet).



Once the Tinkerkit library is installed, open the sample program available from the File menu, Examples, Tinkerkit, Thermistor program.

<Tinkerkit.h>: this library defines the coding instructions necessary to communicate with the sensor.

TKThermistor therm(I0): creates a variable 'therm', of type TKThermistor (defined in the library Tinkekit), corresponding to a Tinkekit Thermometer connected to the input I0. The name of the variable can be changed, as can the input port.

therm.read(): this instruction retrieves the value of temperature measured by the sensor associated with the therm variable. It is an integer value between 0 and 1023.

therm.readCelsius(): this instruction gives the temperature in degrees Celsius.

therm.readFahrenheit(): this instruction gives the temperature in degrees Fahrenheit



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The following program will have the same behavior as the Tinkerkit library example:

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const float ADCres = 1023.0 ;
const int Beta = 3950 ;
const float Kelvin = 273.15 ;
                               // 0°C = 273.15 K
                               // 10 kOhm
const int Rb = 10000;
const float Ginf = 120.6685 ;
                              // Ginf = 1/Rinf
                               // Rinf = R0*e^(-Beta/T0) = 4700*e^(-3950/298.15)
void setup() {
 Serial.begin(9600) ; // the serial communication between board and computer is initialized
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void loop() {
 int MeasuredVoltage = analogRead(A0) ;
                                         // sensor should be connected to IO, or AO
 Serial.print("Value on the A0 port = ") ;
 Serial.println(MeasuredVoltage) ;
 float Rthermistor = Rb * (ADCres / Voltage - 1) ;
 float TemperatureC = Beta / (log( Rthermistor * Ginf )) - Kelvin ;
  Serial.print("Temperature in degree C = ") ;
 Serial.println(TemperatureC) ;
  float TemperatureF = (TemperatureC * 9.0) / 5.0 + 32.0;
 Serial.print("Temperature in degree F = ") ;
 Serial.println(TemperatureF) ;
 delay(1000) ;
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Open the serial monitor to observe the measurements made by the thermometer. Change the temperature by heating the sensor with your hands.



The calibration of the sensor is not certified: do not use it for critical applications (such as medical applications).

Warning: this sensor is not waterproof, do not use it to measure the temperature of liquid water.

Possible uses of the sensor:

- Tracking the temperature in a home-made weather station.

