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Atmosphere Control of a House

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Abstract

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Students in their daily lives at home realized that there were situations of energy consumption and control that could be minimized and automated using sensors and actuators. This promotes energy savings and greater user comfort. Some of the students did internships in organizations where they could see the importance of home automation in today's society.





The students created the structure of a house, where:

- the light in the room only turns on if there is not enough natural light;
- there is a cooling system that is activated when the temperature is higher than the set;
- air temperature and humidity values are read in real time;
- it is possible to know if someone is in a certain area of the house:
- the entrance door opens under certain conditions;
- it is possible to record the information of the various events whenever a sensor detects the desired one.



The students belonged to the professional Mechatronics technician course and had access to knowledge and resources that allowed them to create a model of a house to try different solutions. The students detected several problems / solutions and, according to their proposals, were divided into thematic groups. They had to analyze several sensors and actuators to see which ones were most suitable





The project was presented at the school in workshops and in robotics contests.

The project is properly documented in a strategy level, and allows to reproduce the various sections, improve and bring ideas to other similar projects.





