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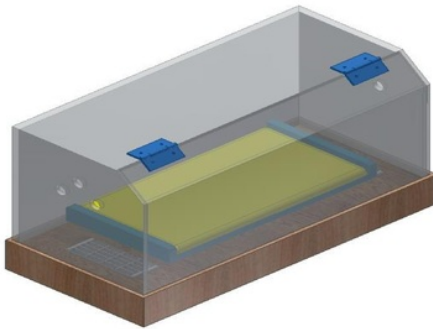


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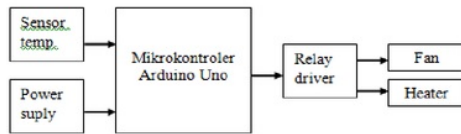


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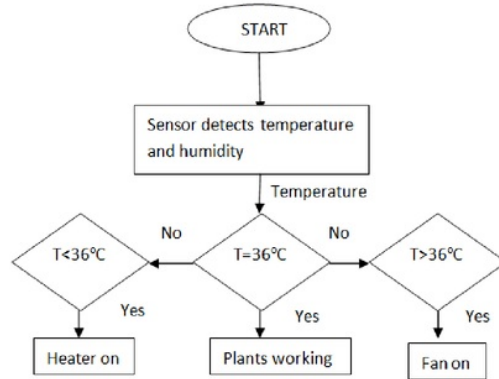


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300	32	34	35.4	34.3	34.2	35.8	34.9	34
400	32	35	36.1	35.4	35.8	36.5	36.0	34
500	32	35	36.3	35.6	36.4	36.3	36.2	35
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700	32	35	35.8	35.6	35.9	36.3	35.9	35
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900	32	35	35.9	35.6	36.3	35.8	36.1	35
1000	32	35	36.2	36.1	36.3	36.3	36.1	35
1100	32	35	36.3	36.3	36.4	36.3	36.3	35
1200	32	35	36.1	35.8	36.6	36.1	36.3	35
1300	32	35	36.3	36.3	36.2	36.4	36.3	35
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1500	32	35	36.3	36.3	36.4	36.3	36.2	35
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1700	32	35	36.4	35.7	36.3	36.4	36.2	35
1800	32	35	36.3	35.8	35.9	36.3	36.1	35
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TABLE II
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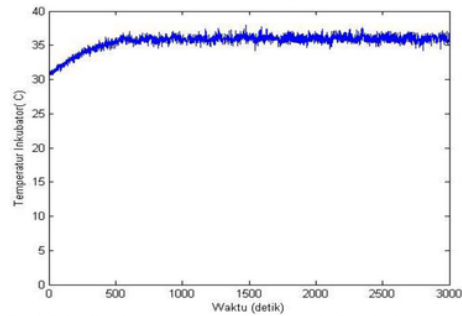


Fig.5 Distribution temperature without infant in incubator.

Figure 5. It appears that the incubator can reach the temperature of 36⁰C after 500 seconds. The heat continues to spread until the temperature's stability is maintained until testing it at 3000 sec. From the comparison of the graphic above, there is a connection of temperature stability at the required time which is influenced by the fluid flow velocity. The air flows down the top of the box and begins to increase the density due to the cooling of the upper wall. As a result of increasing density, the fluid flows downward faster, so that the temperature distribution in the incubator space is in accordance with the temperature required by the baby/infant.

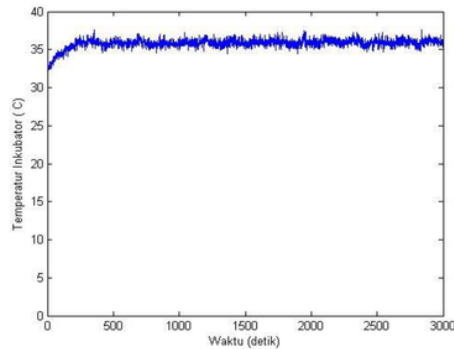


Fig.6 Temperature Distribution in incubators with 2 kg of weight

Figure 6. It can be seen that the temperature changes or oscillates continuously to achieve stability and starts to stabilize from 400 to 3000 seconds. Thus the system in general has produced a fairly good controlling action.

IV. CONCLUSION

By adjusting the incubator heating by using the MATLAB / Simulink program , the temperature in the baby's incubator can be stabilized at the normal temperature of . The stabilized temperature of 36 ⁰C inside the baby's incubator is very important because it maintains the baby's temperature within normal limits and keep the air humidity in accordance with the required value limit In the baby's incubator. The design of the on / off control system with the help of MATLAB/Simulink program is very accurate to compute the result as desired.

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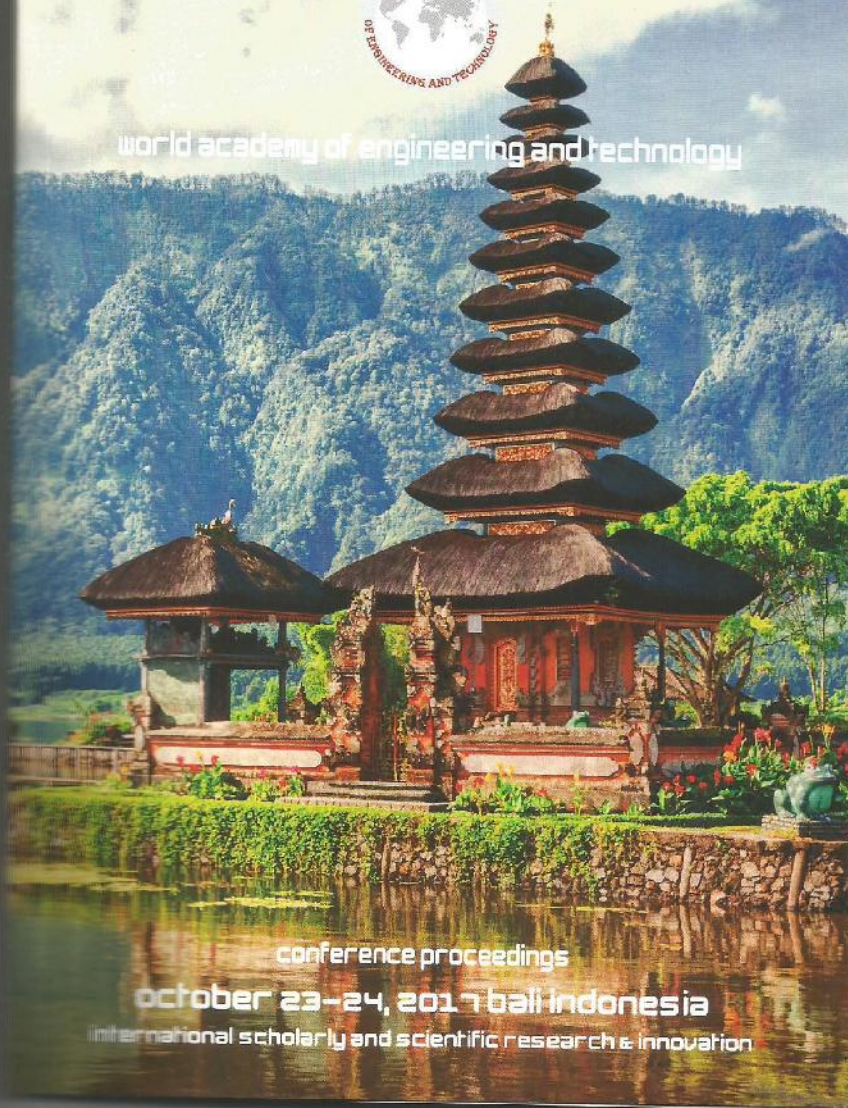
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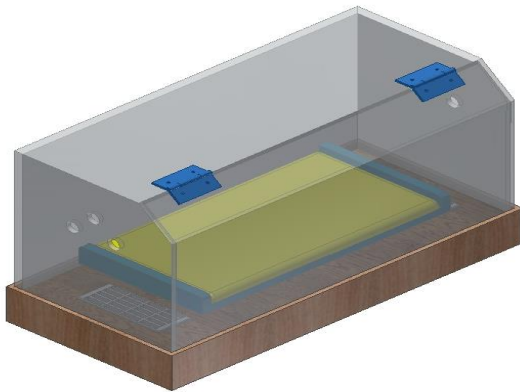


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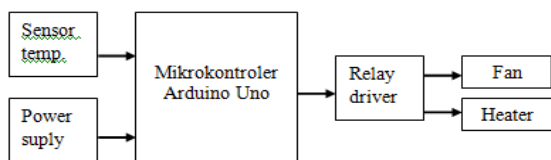


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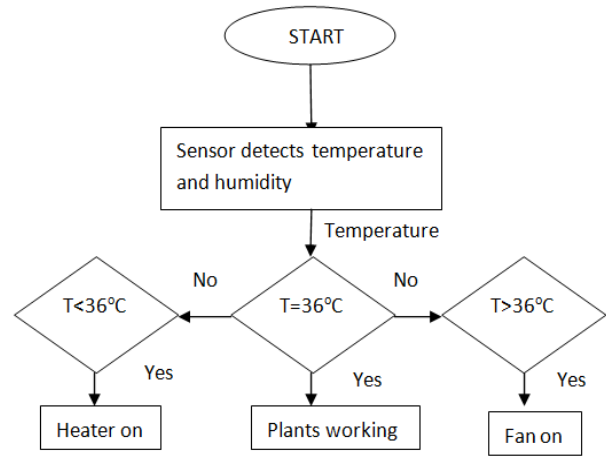


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0	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32
100	32	32	33.3	31.5	33.4	34.3	33.1	32
200	32	33	34.5	32.8	33.7	34.1	33.8	33
300	32	34	35.4	34.3	34.2	35.8	34.9	34
400	32	35	36.1	35.4	35.8	36.5	36.0	34
500	32	35	36.3	35.6	36.4	36.3	36.2	35
600	32	35	36.2	35.5	36.3	36.5	36.1	35
700	32	35	35.8	35.6	35.9	36.3	35.9	35
800	32	35	35.7	35.5	36.1	36.2	35.9	35
900	32	35	35.9	35.6	36.3	35.8	36.1	35
1000	32	35	36.2	36.1	36.3	36.3	36.1	35
1100	32	35	36.3	36.3	36.4	36.3	36.3	35
1200	32	35	36.1	35.8	36.6	36.1	36.3	35
1300	32	35	36.3	36.3	36.2	36.4	36.3	35
1400	32	35	36.1	36.2	36.5	36.2	36.3	35
1500	32	35	36.3	36.3	36.4	36.3	36.2	35
1600	32	35	36.5	36.4	36.2	36.2	36.3	35
1700	32	35	36.4	35.7	36.3	36.4	36.2	35
1800	32	35	36.3	35.8	35.9	36.3	36.1	35
1900	32	35	36.2	35.7	35.9	36.1	36.0	35
2000	32	35	36.5	35.4	35.9	36.2	36.0	35
2100	32	35	36.3	35.5	36.2	36.3	36.3	35
2200	32	35	36.4	35.4	35.9	36.4	36.3	35
2300	32	35	36.3	35.8	36.1	36.4	36.3	35
2400	32	35	36.3	35.7	36.2	36.3	36.2	35
2500	32	35	36.5	35.7	36.3	36.3	36.2	35
2600	32	35	36.5	35.8	36.2	36.3	36.2	35
2700	32	35	36.2	36.2	36.1	36.4	36.3	35
2800	32	35	36.3	36.3	36.4	36.2	36.4	35
2900	32	36	36.3	35.4	36.2	36.3	36.3	35.5
3000	32	36	36.4	35.6	36.3	36.4	36.3	35.5

TABLE II
THE DATA OF INCUBATOR BABY WITH 2 kg of WEIGHT

Waktu (detik)	Thermometer luar (T _{at} (°C))	Sensor DHT11 (°C)	Sensor 0 LM35 (T ₀ (°C))	Sensor 1 LM35 (T ₁ (°C))	Sensor 2 LM35 (T ₂ (°C))	Sensor 3 LM35 (T ₃ (°C))	Rata-rata Suhu Ruangan (Tf)	Thermometer dal (°C)
0	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32
100	32	32	33.4	32.2	32.4	33.2	33.4	32
200	32	34	35.2	33.8	34.9	36.1	35	32.5
300	32	35	36.3	35.3	36.2	36.2	36.1	34
400	32	35	36.1	36.4	36.3	36.3	36.3	34
500	32	35	36.4	35.2	36.3	36.2	36.3	35
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1300	32	35	36.3	35.8	36.2	36.2	36.2	35
1400	32	35	36.4	36.1	36.2	36.3	36.3	35
1500	32	35	36.6	36.4	36.3	36.3	36.2	35
1600	32	35	36.5	36.4	36.3	35.9	36.3	35
1700	32	35	36.4	35.7	36.3	36.3	36.3	35
1800	32	35	35.8	35.8	36.4	36.3	36.1	35
1900	32	35	35.7	35.7	36.2	36.2	36.0	35
2000	32	36	36.5	35.5	35.8	36.2	36.0	35
2100	32	36	36.3	35.6	36.2	35.8	36.3	35
2200	32	36	36.4	35.4	35.9	36.4	36.3	35
2300	32	36	36.2	35.5	36.2	36.5	36.1	35
2400	32	36	36.3	35.7	36.3	36.1	36.2	35
2500	32	36	36.4	35.8	36.3	36.3	36.3	35
2600	32	36	36.5	35.7	36.2	36.4	36.2	35
2700	32	36	36.4	36.3	36.4	36.4	36.3	35
2800	32	36	36.3	36.3	36.2	36.2	36.3	35
2900	32	36	36.5	35.4	36.4	35.9	36.3	35.5
3000	32	36	36.3	35.5	36.3	35.9	36.3	35.5

3.2. Analysis of Temperature using MATLAB/Simulink

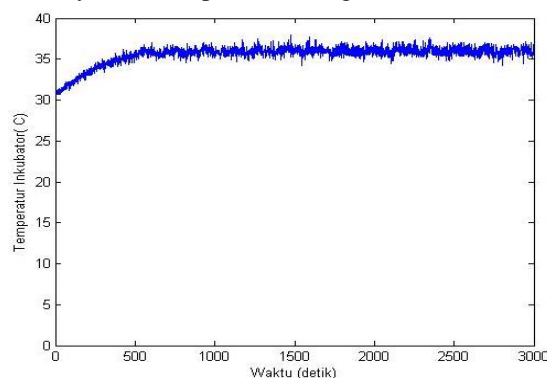


Fig.5 Distribution temperature without infant in incubator.

Figure 5. It appears that the incubator can reach the temperature of 36°C after 500 seconds. The heat continues to spread until the temperature's stability is maintained until testing it at 3000 sec. From the comparison of the graphic above, there is a connection of temperature stability at the required time which is influenced by the fluid flow velocity. The air flows down the top of the box and begins to increase the density due to the cooling of the upper wall. As a result of increasing density, the fluid flows downward faster, so that the temperature distribution in the incubator space is in accordance with the temperature required by the baby/infant.

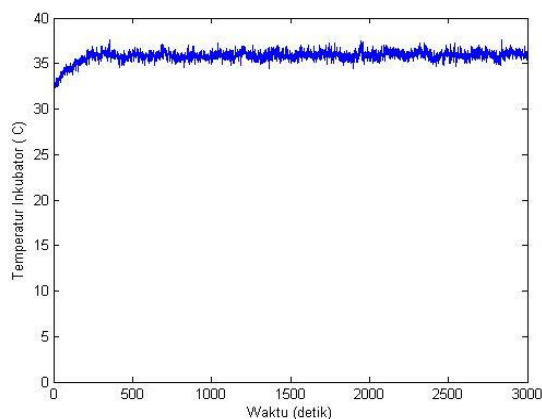


Fig.6 Temperature Distribution in incubators with 2 kg of weight

Figure 6. It can be seen that the temperature changes or oscillates continuously to achieve stability and starts to stabilize from 400 to 3000 seconds. Thus the system in general has produced a fairly good controlling action.

IV. CONCLUSION

By adjusting the incubator heating by using the MATLAB / Simulink program , the temperature in the baby's incubator can be stabilized at the normal temperature of . The stabilized temperature of 36 °C inside the baby's incubator is very important because it maintains the baby's temperature within normal limits and keep the air humidity in accordance with the required value limit In the baby's incubator. The design of the on / off control system with the help of MATLAB/Simulink program is very accurate to compute the result as desired.

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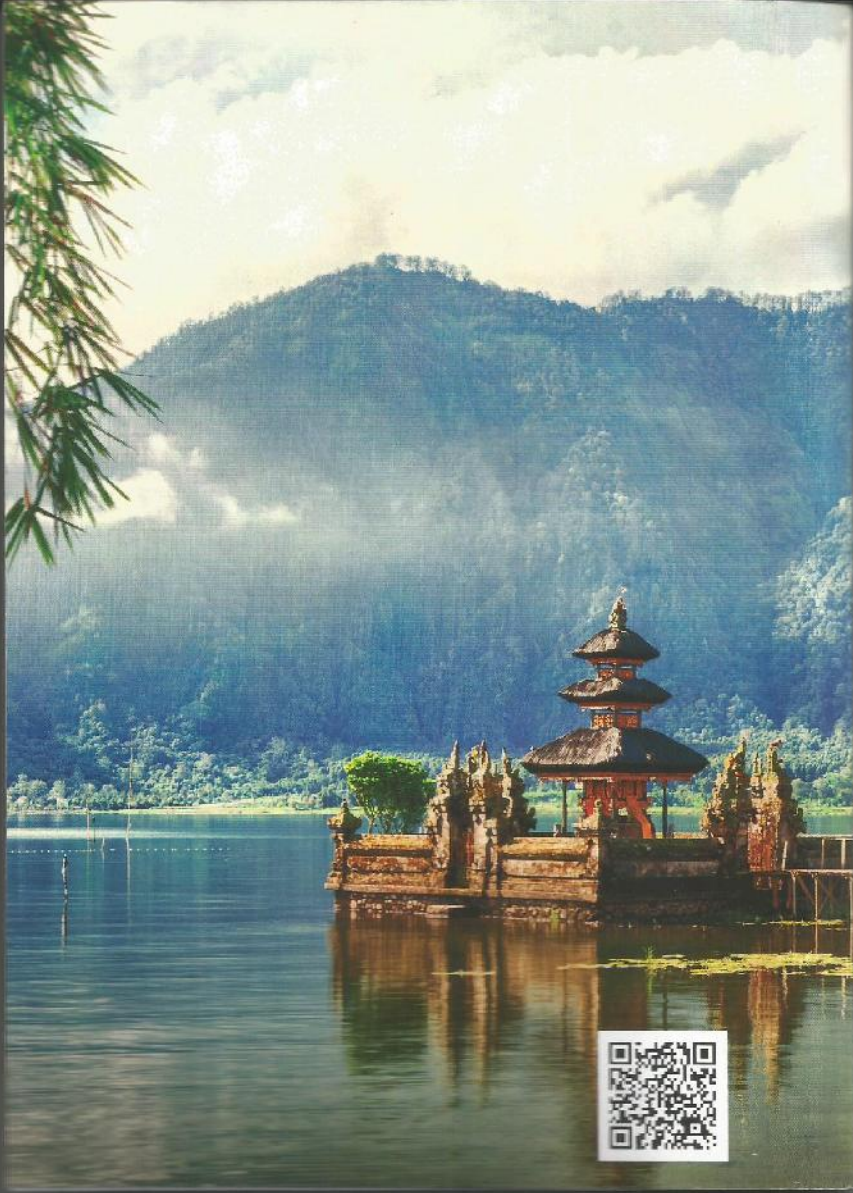
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