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Overview

Why should a power supply have a wide operating temperature range?

Depending on the application, a power supply with a wide operating temperature range may provide better reliability and a longer operating lifetime, prevent the need for a cooling fan or other special design consideration for thermal management, and reduce the overall cost of your system.

What is the operating temperature range for power supplies?

Typically, the operating temperature range for power supplies is between 0°C and 40°C, with some products able to reach standards of 0°C to 50°C. In other words, the temperature inside the equipment must be maintained within this range to ensure stable operation.

What is a wide temperature power supply?

Wide temperature power supplies usually operate within a range of -40 to -20°C up to 70–80°C, exceeding the range of conventional power supplies and meeting the needs of most applications. Although wide temperature power supplies utilize internal components with superior heat resistance, these materials still have thermal and efficiency limits.

Why is thermal design important in a power supply?

Proper thermal design of the power supply will mitigate this risk, and supplies with wider operating temperatures ranges are likely to exhibit less temperature rise, resulting in lower touch temperatures for a given ambient operating temperature.

Do power supplies need to be housed outside?

Power supplies need to be housed outdoors, where the extreme heat of the summer and the extreme cold of the winter will both be present. Power supplies heat themselves up at different rates and intensities, and

environmental influences will impact how quickly a power supply is exposed to high temperatures.

How does temperature affect power supplies?

The Effects of Temperature on Power Supplies Rising ambient temperatures can significantly impact the performance of power supplies, reducing the stability of internal electronic components, shortening their lifespan, and causing operational instability in the system.

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