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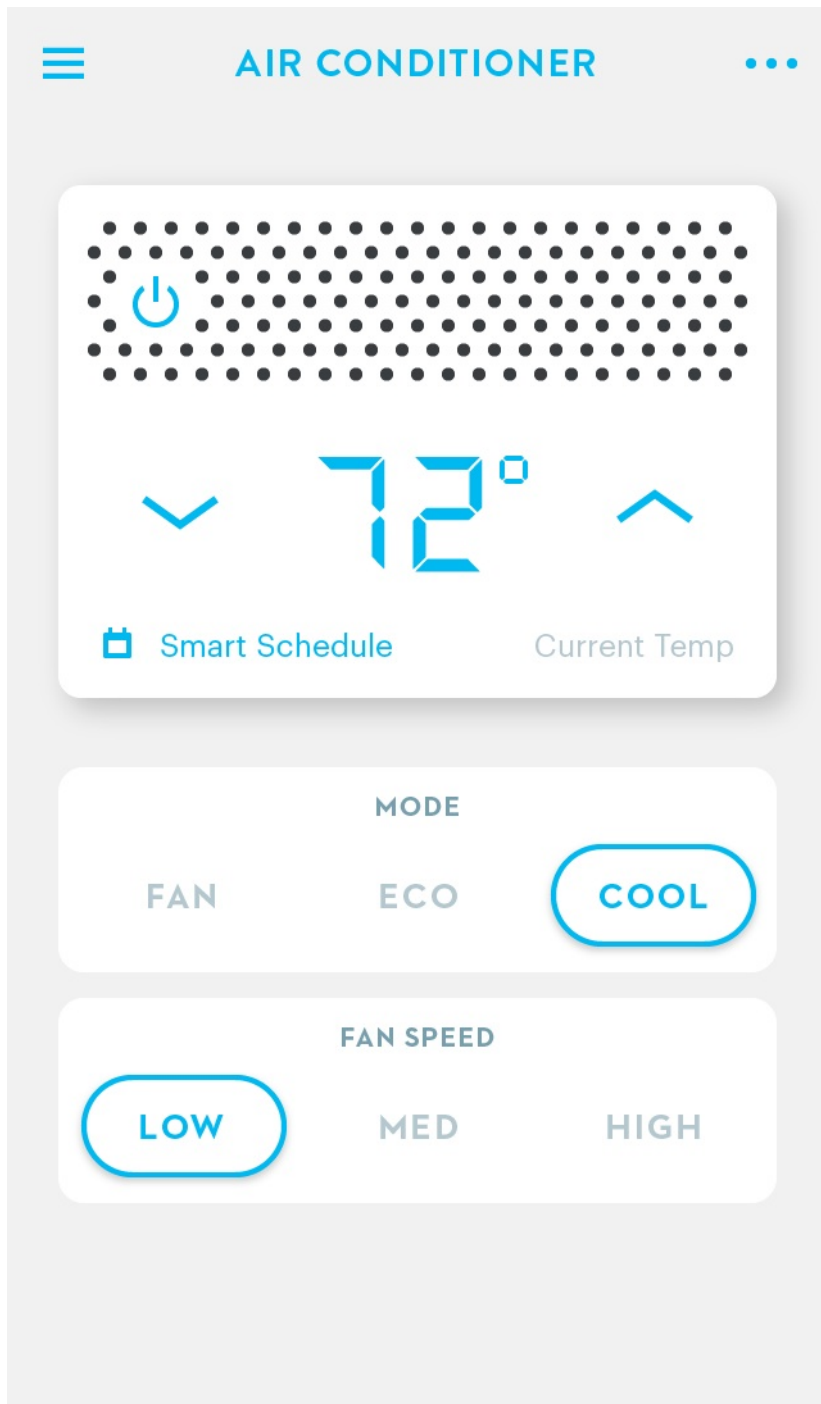
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The flood of Linux-based home automation hubs that has arrived over the last two years is now being joined by a wave of intermediary solutions that integrate multiple ecosystems. One of the most promising is Wink, a spinoff from crowd-investment firm Quirky. A week after announcing its Linux-based Wink home automation hub and mobile app, the well-heeled startup demonstrated the technology in a model smart home launch event in New York City, and announced 15 partners and 60 compatible devices.

Wink also released its Javascript-based API to developers interested in building Wink apps for the supported Android and iOS platforms. Last week, Wink announced it will also ship an Android Wear version that will run on Android Wear smartwatches like the LG G Watch and Samsung Gear Live. The Android Wear app will communicate with devices via the full Android smartphone app, rather than directly, and will offer more limited features.

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