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## ABSTRACT

Auto retractable roof is a new accessory product that protect passenger or car user from the sunlight. Before beginning the design, the step of designing must be learning carefully. It is because there are a lot of steps to follow until the product can be produce. This is to give the comfortable to the consumer. To make this report and the prototype is successful, PDS and QFD concept are using. This concept is suitable for this project because this concept emphasize of the survey that performed bottom-up analysis from public requirement. This feedback gives all the data can make the design be more success and the design can be operate.

# ABSTRAK

"Auto retractable roof" ialah satu produk aksesori kenderaan yang terbaru yang mana fungsinya ialah melindungi pengguna kenderaan serta pemandu kenderaan dari terkena atau merasai kehangatan akibat pancaran cahaya matahari. Sebelum memulakan merekabentuk sesuatu, langkah mereka cipta mestlah difahami dengan jelas dan juga teratur. Ini adalah untuk memberi keselesaan kepaada pengguna . Untuk menghasilkan projek dan juga prototaip yang baik, konsep PDS dan juga QFD digunakan. Ini adalah kerana ia amat sesuai disamping mementingkan keputusan pengguna yang telah mengisi boring kaji selidik dan ia dipanggil sebagai maklum balas dari pengguna. Dari maklum balas ini, segala data akan dikumpulkan dan dianalisis untuk menghasilkan reka bentuk yang baik serta kejayaan keatas kerja yang dijalankan. Untuk projek saya ini, saya akan mengikut segala langkah kerja yang telah ditetapkan sehinggalah prototaip dapat dihasilkan dan mematuhi segala laporan yang telah ditetapkan..

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# LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS, SYMBOLS, SPECIALIZED NOMENCLATURE

DC	-	Direct current
PDS	÷	Product Design Specification
QFD	÷	Quality Functional Deployment
HOQ	4	House of Quality.
VOC	-	Voice of Customer

# CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Background

The purpose of this project is to develop and design the component of Auto Retractable Roof. Therefore, the approach of the design that features here could be use or implement for a car especially. Auto Retractable Roof is the alternative can be used to cover the car from the sunshine effect. This application can be used as a new alternative for car covers when we park our cars under sunshine. The retractable is used to save the body of the car from corrosion and at the same time save the passenger from the heat after park under sunshine with high temperature that is about **36.5°C**. Further, this product uses the motor to generate the roof before were engine car switch off. Then, the power is used to move the motor. Finally, the motor is used to generate the roof and the mirror.

Auto Retractable Roof is the new idea for the accessory of vehicle that combined from battery and the retractable sunshade to produce power. This is more suitable for a long period when park under the sunshine, which compare to other car cover in market nowadays. It also can be used for hanging around or fun purposes using the remained car cover at the roof. The standard cars cover categories:

Class A: Full- Fully covers a car.

Basically this product uses in the local market and also don't use the motor to generate the cover. This is the basic of the car cover, and use the High Performance fabric.

### 1.2 Objective

- i. Come out for new accessories of a car.
- ii. Design a new concept of auto retractable roof of vehicles.
- iii. Use design methodology
- iv. Doing QFD to get input from possible user and obtain the info about what they want so we can design and fabricate accordingly.

#### 1.3 Scope of the project

- i. Study the capabilities of the existing product,
- ii. Literature survey,
- iii. Proposed a futuristic or a new design of Auto Retractable Roof.

#### 1.4 Summary

From the introduction the conclusion are the Auto Retractable Roof is the news accessories for vehicle that can used by the car user to protect them from heat in the car while they park their car under the sunshine. For this project, it will be used the Product Design Specification (PDS) and Quality Functional Deployment (QFD) to get the design and the results. In this semester, the main of objective is to develop the product by used QFD which to refined the design while used the PDS. At the last, these projects try to achieve the objective for this semester.

# CHAPTER II LITERATURE REVIEW FOR AUTO RETRACTABLE ROOF.

This chapter includes all the information about the Auto Retractable Roof. Automobiles, like the earth's atmosphere, are subject to the so-called "greenhouse effect." When short-wave heat radiation from the sun travels through the glass windows and hits material inside the car, the interior heats up, and the heat is trapped inside.

Cars also get hot because the sun heats up the roof of the vehicle and the heat conducts inward. The thickness of the insulation in the roof and walls of most cars and trucks is a fraction of what is used in the attics of most buildings.

The results of these two effects are that the temperature of the interior of automobiles that parked in bright sun in hot climates can rise to more than  $\pm$  36.5°. After existing this condition for a while, not only the air in the car very hot, but all of the material in the interior of the car (dashboard, seats, arm rests, etc.) are as well - even to a depth of several inches are also heated. When a driver enters the car, it can takes 10-20 minutes for even the best automobile air conditioners to cools the space around the driver to a comfortable temperature. If there are several passengers and the air conditioner vents are directed at all of them, the cool-down time can take at 30-40 minutes.

Several devices have been developed to reduce the heat build-up in cars. Some of these are listed as follows:

- Tinted glass. This helps reduce the green house effect somewhat, but does nothing to reduce the inward conduction of heat from the roof.
- Windshield reflectors. These are positioned inside the windshield to reflect the short-wave heat radiation back out through the windshield. The sun

continues to enter through the other windows and, these reflectors do nothing to stop the heat conducting through the roof.

- Increased insulation. The auto retractable roof will protected car user from the heat and Ultra Violet.
- Traditional automobile covers. These are effective to the extent that they stop the short-wave heat radiation, but they are trouble to put on and take off a car and are rarely used.

#### 2.1 Temperature and Heat

An object temperature is a measurement that describes the level of motion and vibration in the atoms and molecules of which it is composed (that is, the internal energy of the atoms and molecules). The higher the temperature of the object, the more vigorously it atoms and molecules move around and bounce off each other and the more disorderly is their motion. This means that heat flowing into an object increases the internal energy and disorder in that object, while heat flowing out of it decreases its internal energy and disorder. For example, the water molecules in a snowflake are arranged in an orderly pattern. If you hold a snowflake in your hand, it will melt and become a drop of water. While it melts, the orderly pattern of the snowflake is changed into the more disorderly form of liquid water. In general, heat passes from one substance or object to another by:

#### i. Conduction

- Heat moves through material without any of the material moving.
- E.g., the tip of a metal pitchfork placed in a fire:
- Vibration of atoms is transmitted from the tip throughout the pitchfork, but none of the atoms move from the tip to other parts of the pitchfork.

#### ii. Convection

- Heated material moves and carries heat with it.
- E.g., heating water in a pot on a stove: hot liquid from the bottom of the pot rises up, while cold water sinks down to be heated.

#### iii. Radiation

- Heat is transmitted via electromagnetic radiation, either through a medium (such as air) or without need for material (e.g., through space).
- E.g., infrared rays, ultra violet.

### 2.2 Motor

There are four types of motor that always been used to move the roof, there are DC Brushless Motors, DC Brushed Motors, AC synchronous Motors, and AC Asynchronous Motors or AC Induction Motors.

#### 2.2.1 DC Brushless Motor

Dc Brushless Motor is the most popular among the other motor where it use a power or energy from *rare-earth permanent magnets* such as *samarium cobalt* or *neodymium-iron-boron*, which placed inside the rotor. The wire-circle in the stator is to produce torque to the motor. Then the power will rotate the motor. This motor is compact, non-heavy, and gives the high efficiency around 92% to 96%. Because of the wire-circle in the stator, the cooling process is more efficient and ratio power per weight is high. This type also has high peak torque value while the wire-circle can control the current without occur superheated. (Raman, S., 2000)

#### 2.2.2 DC Brushed Motors

This motor is also popular instead of *DC Brushless* type. The mechanism system of this motor is same to the DC Brushless motor except the wire-circle has been placed in the rotor and the magnet placed in the stator. The disadvantage of this motor is instead of non-compact, is heavy and produced low efficiency than *DC Brushless* motor. The efficiency is less than 90 %. This motor required high maintenance compared than *DC Brushless* type. But then, the cost of this motor is low. (Raman, S, .2000)

#### 2.2.3 AC Synchronous Motors

This motor is same with *DC Brushless* type. The magnet and the wire-circle are in the same location with *DC Brushless* motor. But, this motor needs a converter to change

direct current (DC) to (A.U). The motor has the same character to DC Brushless motor; it also compact, light and can produce high peak torque value. The efficiency of this motor is about 97%-98 % (Raman, S., 2000).

## 2.2.4 AC Induction Motors

Also known as *Squirrel cage* motor using simple rotor with iron core. The rotation (usually 3 phase) could produce electric current in the core and formed magnetic field inside the rotor. To increase the efficiency, the rotor has been divided into several segments. AC Induction motor is one of the simplest motor, low-priced, and also don't suitable for this prototype because a car use the DC motor.

#### 2.3 Selection for Motor.

In this project, I will choose the DC motor to generate my retractable roof. It is because this motor is connected to the battery from the car and there is in Direct Current. So, for this project, I will use this motor. DC Brushless motor is the most popular among the other motor where it use a power or energy from *rare-earth permanent magnets* such as *samarium cobalt* or *neodymium-iron-boron*, which placed inside the rotor. The wire-circle in the stator is to produce torque to the motor. Then the power will rotate the motor. This motor is compact, non-heavy, and gives the high efficiency around 92% to 96 %. Because of the wire-circle in the stator, the cooling process is more efficient and ratio power per weight is high. This type also has high peak torque value while the wire-circle can control the current without occur superheated. (Raman, S., 2000)

This motor are same use at the sunshade in the car (Proton Wira) and this motor are not to be heavy, light and the same time less use the cooling system after we implement this prototype. The characteristic for this motor:-

- i. 12Volt
- ii. 4Watt
- iii. Low torque
- iv. Cheap

#### 2.4. Choosing Material.

Auto retractable roof are design to make your save from the sunshine and to protect the paint of our car. Beside this, we can see many people just using the manual sunshade to put at the window. In case, the sunshine is designed to compliment at top of car.

### 2.4.1 Material 1.



Figure 2.1: The material analysis selection Multibond fabric

### **MULTIBOND:**

- 1. Multibond is a light-duty version most popular fabric Evolution (Technalon) to cover a car.
- It is similar in structure to Evolution, but is three layers of bonded polypropylene rather than four.
- 3. Deterioration from ultraviolet (UV) exposure.

#### Good:

- 1. It rolls up much more tightly than Evolution, although not as tightly as Ultralon.
- It's moderately water resistant and it is the least expensive of all the car cover fabrics.
- 3. Cheap.

### Bad:

1. It is difficult to handle in a breeze.

## 2.4.2 Material 2.

## **EVOLUTION IV (TECHNALON II)**



Figure 2.2: The material analysis selection (Technalon II Fabric)

Same material as Multibond which is a four-layer bonded polypropylene fabric

### Good:

- 1. Water-resistant.
- 2. Due to its thickness, it offers some resistance to parking lot dings.
- 3. Mid-priced
- 4. Evolution is available in three colors (tan, blue, and grey) in custom patterns.

#### Bad:

- 1. It folds up extremely large.
- 2. Compressibility is miserable with a new one for only the cost of shipping.

### 2.4.3 Material 3. NOAH:



Figure 2.3: The material analysis selection (Noah Fabric)

NOAH is the newest bonded polypropylene fabric.