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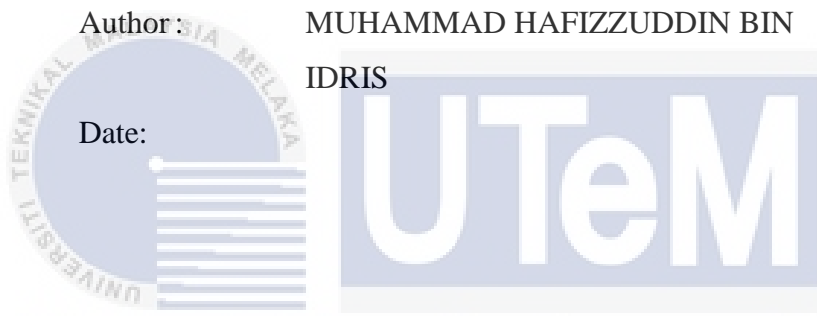
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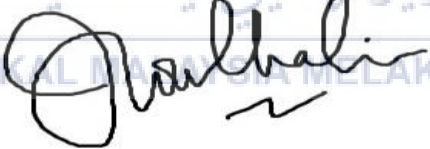
  
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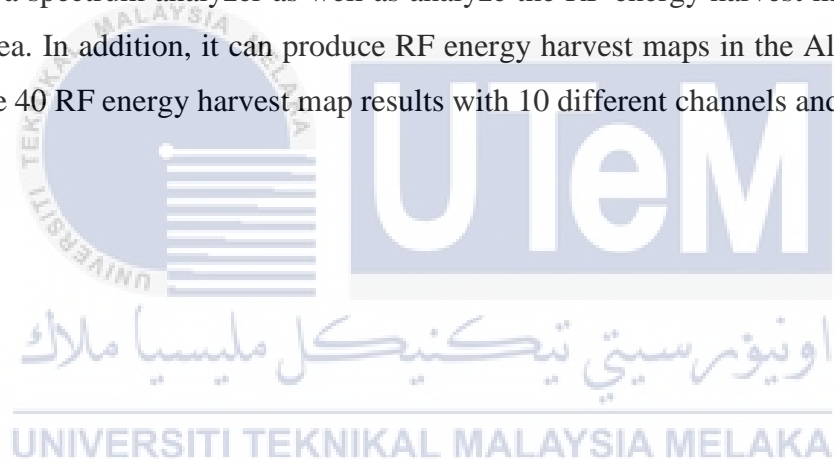
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## ABSTRAK

The effectiveness of the RF signal level received to produce RF energy: the case study of the Alor Elephant area is a research to show the availability during RF energy intake. The objective of this project is to show the availability during the RF energy intake and to produce a map of the RF energy harvest in the Alor Gajah area. (Dzulkifli, Kamarudin and Rahman, 2012) describe that the project lost a 24-hour spectrum view of the outdoor radio environment in Johor Bahru. It also receives data in the frequency band from 30 to 300 MHz. In addition, it is aware of how various services are used in the surrounding area and can identify groups who like to use low active or inactive rates. Ways to produce an RF energy harvest map is to identify the appropriate route to use and only use a spectrum analyzer as well as analyze the RF energy harvest map in the Alor Gajah area. In addition, it can produce RF energy harvest maps in the Alor Gajah area. There are 40 RF energy harvest map results with 10 different channels and 4 ranges.



## ABSTRACT

Keberkesanan tingkat tanda RF yang diterima untuk menghasilkan tenaga RF: kajian kes kawasan alor gajah adalah satu penyelidikan untuk menunjukkan ketersediaan semasa pengambilan tenaga RF. Objektif projek ini adalah menunjukkan ketersediaan semasa pengambilan tenaga RF dan menghasilkan peta penuaian tenaga RF yang ada di kawasan Alor Gajah. (Dzulkifli, Kamarudin dan Rahman, 2012) menggambarkan bahawa projek itu kehilangan tinjauan spektrum 24 jam terhadap persekitaran radio luar di Johor Bahru. Ia juga menerima data dalam frekuensi pita dari 30 hingga 300 MHz. Selain itu, ia menyedari bagaimana pelbagai perkhidmatan digunakan di kawasan sekitar dan dapat mengenal pasti kumpulan yang suka menggunakan kadar aktif atau tidak aktif yang rendah. Cara-cara untuk menghasilkan peta penuaian tenaga RF adalah mengenalpasti jalan yang sesuai untuk dilalui dan hanya menggunakan spectrum analyzer serta menganalisis peta penuaian tenaga RF di kawasan Alor Gajah. Selain itu, ia dapat menghasilkan peta penuaian tenaga RF di kawasan Alor Gajah area. Terdapat 40 keputusan peta penuaian tenaga RF yang mempunyai 10 saluran dan 4 julat yang berbeza.

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# CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

The overall chapter presenting the introduction of the feasibility study of RF received signal level for RF energy harvesting : a case study of Alor Gajah area project overview. The chapter included the background study of the project and the stated problem statement. The study will lead the objective research and study scope where the project will be mentioned from the beginning until the final outcome of the project.

### 1.1 Background

The purpose of this project is to research, survey and observe the RF received signal level for RF energy harvesting. Subsequently, this review can identify the appropriate location of the highway connecting a place to detect RF received signal level for RF energy harvesting. In addition, the device are used to detect RF received signal level and to store such data are Agilent Keysight spectrum analyzer. This device is useful as it can scan, measure and analyze RF received signal levels for every radio frequency provided by the Malaysian Communications Multimedia Commission (MCMC).

### 1.2 Statement of the Purpose

The scope of this project is to search for available RF received signal level in Melaka especially Alor Gajah area. After that, the step is to drive test around Alor Gajah area , Melaka.

### 1.3 Problem Statement

The availability of very low power RF energy transmitted from telecommunication transmission towers made it difficult to harness energy for harvesting. Then, undetermined amount of RF received signal level in a semi rural area such as Alor Gajah area. Also, the absence of maps of RF received signal level in Malaysia especially Alor Gajah area. The solution is to produce the maps of RF received signal level in Alor Gajah area.

## 1.4 Objective

- To survey the location and determined the area of available concentrated RF power.
- To conducted drive test to determined the amount of RF received signal level in a semi rural area such as Alor Gajah area.
- To produce the maps of RF received signal level in Alor Gajah area.



## CHAPTER 2

### LITERATURE REVIEW

#### 2.1 INTRODUCTION

In this chapter, there are an overview regarding this topic where it's about the precious work and the literature study that were related on the project. This project was focusing on the RF energy and how it will transmit and received it. However, there will be an application that need to use to apply on this project. Then, on this chapter there will be an information and discussion about the application applied.

#### 2.2 FEASIBILITY STUDY OF RF RECEIVED SIGNAL LEVEL FOR RF ENERGY HARVESTING IN ALOR GAJAH AREA

Today, demand for wireless communications is growing as the competition grows. Antenna that collect RF power while rectifier can convert RF power to DC power. However, RF harvesting can cause problems with the system. One of the problems is the low power density produced by ambient RF energy. Therefore, the solution is to find the location and determine the area with available concentrated RF power. Alternatively, with the achievement of RF power consumption at one frequency, it can evaluate the harvest at different frequencies, thus maximizing the accumulated power and DC output.

(Abood et al., 2013) had mentioned the method to get the measurement of RF spectrum. The tools are used in this project such as an Ultra Wideband Discone antenna, a spectrum analyzer, lab review and matlab software. This measurements are performed at different locations in an urban area in Kuala Lumpur. The results based on UHF TV, GSM900 and GSM1800 frequency bands in an urban area in Kuala Lumpur.

(Bouchouicha et al., 2010) have presented a study of feasibility to ambient RF energy harvesting techniques. Unfortunately power is very low and needs to be distributed at very large bandwidths. This proves that the restored power is not sufficient to charge the device directly but can only be stored in super or micro-capacity batteries. There are recommended methods for optimizing the recoverable DC power.

(Dzulkifli, Kamarudin and Rahman, 2012) described that the project losing a 24-hour spectral survey of the outer radio environment in Johor Bahru. It also receives data in band frequency from 30 to 300 MHz. Additionally, it recognizes how various services

is used in the surrounding area and can identify bands that like the employment of low rates of active or inactive.

(Ho et al., 2017) mentioned the dual-band rectenna is formed from a dual-band antenna and a dual-band rectifier which operates at GSM bands like 900 MHz and 1800 MHz. It's been tested within the surrounding area and has shown that acne are able to do good odor similarly well as excellent frequency operation. It's possible to reap ambient electromagnetic energy to power low-power devices.

(Xu et al., 2017) presented the end-to-end through maximization problem for optimal time and power allocation. To unravel this non-convex problem, we first must to turn it into a convex optimization problem and propose a time-resolved optimum algorithm and optimal power allocation (JOTPA) that solves a series of possible problems until convergence. Extensive simulations evaluate the performance of the EH-CRN with JOTPA in three special use scenarios and ensure the prevalence of JOTPA by comparing it with two other resource allocation algorithms.

(Soyata, Copeland and Heinzelman, 2016) presented an outline of passive Radio Frequency (RF) energy reception and power harvesting circuits for isolated communications and computing systems lacking access to primary power sources. However, the wireless embedded systems field is characterized by diversity within the application requirements and a corresponding diversity in design philosophy. Radio frequency power harvesting refers to the harvesting of the energy in a very wireless signal through an antenna to power an embedded device.

## CHAPTER 3 METHODOLOGY

This chapter will be covered on the methods used in this project in terms of the procedure needed to get the RF received signal level for RF energy harvesting in Alor Gajah area by using a spectrum analyser, GPS (Global Positioning System) and Ultra Broadband Antenna OmniLOG 30800.

### 3.1 Project Work Plan

The possibility of implementing this project in the allotted time can be achieved with the required capacity has been precise and smooth planning. The total amount of time required to develop and complete this project is 2 semesters or 30 weeks. In addition, this aspect of the project is very detailed in terms of the success of the desired results for Bachelor Projects (PSM) 1 and 2 with the operational strength required to avoid possible errors.

Therefore, there is a need to create a Gantt chart used to organize the time required to develop the project. The Gantt Chart is the type of chart used to be summarized and updated on all the progress of project activities during PSM 1 and 2. The Gantt Chart of this project will be presented in tables 1.1 and 1.2.

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Module (Report Writing-1)								M							
Module (Report Writing-2)								E							
Progress of PSM 1 title and synopsis								S							
Online meeting and discussion with supervisor								T							
Progress of PSM 1 title and synopsis								E							
Draft final report to supervisor								R							
Final report to supervisor															
Final report to panel								B							
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Table 1.1

