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### **ABSTRACT**

A Wind Tunnel is a tool that is used to study the effects of air over any aerodynamic body and the quality of flow and its aerodynamic characteristics. Nowadays almost all the aerodynamic bodies are designed and then analyzed for preliminary results. These designs however need to be verified and tested in real time. Wind tunnels are used to study various flow parameters and response of any aerodynamic body under varying conditions and orientations. These tunnels are usually of open or closed types which can be used to conduct studies over flows past any aerodynamic body or structure. This work focuses on aerodynamics design of a Wind Tunnel to simulate and disseminate results of subsonic flows, measurement of lift coefficient (C<sub>L</sub>) and drag coefficients (C<sub>D</sub>) which can be used to determine performance of any aerodynamic body. The proposed tunnel was designed based on flow theories to obtain a preliminary design of subsonic tunnel. An open type wind tunnel is designed using Solid works tool which is further simulated using ANSYS Fluent. The model comprises of three parts namely contraction cone which is a convergent tract, test section and a diffuser commonly referred to as diverging tract. In order to find the performance of wind tunnel that will be virtually created, a testing of car body is carried out inside the test section of the tunnel and the results are examined to conclude that the lift and drag coefficients so obtained in the tunnel are accurate or not based on the theory of aerodynamics.

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