

CL37\_Q1. Why a two level system is not suitable to produce laser action at thermal equilibrium?

CL37\_Q2. Bring out the difference between three level and four level lasers.

CL37\_Q3. Draw the energy level diagram and explain how 4-level laser systems work.

CL37\_Q4. A system comprises of three energy levels  $E_1$ ,  $E_2$  ( $>E_1$ ) and  $E_3$  ( $>E_2$ ). An electron in the state  $E_3$  is capable of undergoing spontaneous transition to the levels  $E_1$  or  $E_2$ . The lifetime of electron in state  $E_3$  is  $2.5\mu\text{s}$ . If only transition from  $E_3$  or  $E_2$  was permitted then the lifetime of this electron would have been  $3.3\mu\text{s}$ . What would have been the lifetime of this electron if the only transition permitted was from  $E_3$  to  $E_1$ ?