



# Faculty of Engineering

## End Semester Examination May 2025

### EC3CO21 Fiber Optic Communications

<b>Programme</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>B.Tech.</b>	<b>Branch/Specialisation</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>EC</b>
<b>Duration</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>3 hours</b>	<b>Maximum Marks</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>60</b>

**Note:** All questions are compulsory. Internal choices, if any, are indicated. Assume suitable data if necessary. Notations and symbols have their usual meaning.

#### Section 1 (Answer all question(s))

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**Q1.** What is the material used for the manufacture of fiber optic cables? 1    1    1

Rubric	Marks
Both (C) Plastic and (D) Glass are the answer.	1

- ☐ Wood  
☒ Plastic

☐ Steel  
☐ Glass

**Q2.** What is used in the optical fiber for the total internal reflections? 1    1    1

- ☐ Core  
☒ Both (A) and (B)

☐ Cladding  
☐ None of these

**Q3.** Different modes of light travel at slightly different speeds in a multimode fiber is known as- 1    2    2

- ☒ Intermodal dispersion  
☐ Implied dispersion

☐ Intramodal dispersion  
☐ None of these

**Q4.** Signal degradation in optical fibers primarily caused due to- 1    2    2

- ☒ Attenuation and dispersion  
☐ Can not say

☐ Banding losses  
☐ None of these

**Q5.** The devices which convert electrical signals into optical signals for transmission through optical fibers are called- 1    3    2

- ☐ Line diodes  
☐ PN diodes

☒ Laser diodes  
☐ None of these

**Q6.** The range of frequencies at which modulated light can be detected are called- 1    3    2

- ☐ Bandwidth  
☐ Modulation channel

☒ Optical modulation bandwidth  
☐ None of these

**Q7.** The device which enhances light without need of electrical signal is called- 1    3    1

- ☒ Optical amplifiers  
☐ Electrical amplifiers

☐ Semiconductor amplifiers  
☐ None of these

**Q8.** GaAs photodiodes have a long wavelength cutoff around wavelength of- 1    1    1

- ☐ 830 nm  
☐ 750 nm

☒ 870 nm  
☐ None of these

**Q9.** The operation of conventional optical isolators depends on- 1    3    1

- ☐ Lenz's law  
☒ Faraday effect

☐ Beers law  
☐ None of these

**Q10.** Self - Phase Modulation refers to an example of-

1 4 2

- ☐ Linear optical effect
 ☐ Rayleigh optical effect  
☒ Nonlinear optical effect
 ☐ None of these

**Section 2 (Answer all question(s))**

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**Q11.** Describe the key elements of optical fiber systems.

4 1 1

Rubric	Marks
Key elements name	1
key elements description specifically working or operation	3

**Q12. (a)** Define optical spectral bands. Describe the modes of step index fiber.

6 2 2

Rubric	Marks
Define optical spectral bands (with names and their frequency or wavelength)	2
Describe the modes of step index fiber.	4

(OR)

**(b)** Discuss various types of fiber fabrication in optical fiber.

Rubric	Marks
Types	1
Description of any two types with diagrams	5

**Section 3 (Answer all question(s))**

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**Q13.** Define:

4 2 2

- (i) Material dispersion  
 (ii) Waveguide dispersion

Rubric	Marks
Material dispersion (definition, fiber type, remedy) with formula	2
Waveguide dispersion (definition, fiber type, remedy) with formula	2

**Q14. (a)** What is the significance of fiber splicing? Describe the techniques of fiber splicing.

6 2 2

Rubric	Marks
Significance	2
Techniques	4

(OR)

**(b)** Discuss various phenomenon of signal degradation in optical fibers .

Rubric	Marks
Name of phenomenon (attenuation and dispersion)	1
Description of phenomenon (4.5), diagram of dispersion (0.5)	5

**Section 4 (Answer all question(s))**

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**Q15.** List types of optical sources. What is population inversion?

4 3 2

Rubric	Marks
Types of optical sources	2
Population inversion definition (1 mark), diagram (1 mark)	2

**Q16. (a)** Compare spontaneous emission, stimulated emission and lasing in optical systems

6 3 1

Rubric	Marks
Comparison points (any 4 key points)	6

(OR)

**(b)** Discuss various characteristics of LED. Also define optical output power.

Rubric	Marks
Characteristics of LED (any 4 key characteristics)	4
Definition of optical output power	2

### Section 5 (Answer all question(s))

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**Q17.** State the optical detection principle. What is photo transistor?

4 4 2

Rubric	Marks
Optical detection principle Definition - 1 mark and diagram - 1 mark	2
Photo transistor	2

**Q18. (a)** Compare semiconductor amplifiers and fiber amplifiers along with examples.

6 4 2

Rubric	Marks
Comparison points (any four key points)	6

(OR)

**(b)** Discuss semiconductor photodiode without internal gain and photodiodes with internal gain.

Rubric	Marks
semiconductor photodiode without internal gain (2 marks) with diagram (1 mark)	3
photodiodes with internal gain (2 marks) with diagram (1 mark)	3

### Section 6 (Answer all question(s))

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**Q19.** Define optical sensor and optical isolator.

4 3 1

Rubric	Marks
Optical sensor (definition, working principle with some types)	2
Optical isolator (definition, working principle with its types)	2

**Q20. (a)** Describe various nonlinear optical effects.

6 4 2

Rubric	Marks
Types of non linear effect (4 types which carries half mark each)	2
Description with proper definition ( 4 types- 1 mark each)	4

**(OR)**

**(b)** Describe wavelength division multiplexing with suitable diagram.

Rubric	Marks
Diagram of WDM	3
Description WDM ( types of WDM also)	3

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