

B.Tech III Year II Semester (R20) Regular Examinations August 2023

**OPTICAL COMMUNICATIONS**

(Electronics &amp; Communication Engineering)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 70

**PART – A**  
(Compulsory Question)

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- 1 Answer the following: (10 X 02 = 20 Marks)
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| (a) Give the advantages of optical fiber communications.  | 2M |
| (b) A typical relative refractive index difference for an optical fiber designed for long distance transmission is 1%. Estimate the Numerical Aperture for the fiber when the core index is 1.46. | 2M |
| (c) What are microscopic bends?   | 2M |
| (d) Name the two broad category of fiber connectors.  | 2M |
| (e) Differentiate Fiber splices and connectors.   | 2M |
| (f) Define internal quantum efficiency for LED.   | 2M |
| (g) Give any two requirements for optical detectors.  | 2M |
| (h) List the error sources in optical detection.  | 2M |
| (i) Name any two factors that need to be considered while designing an optical system.  | 2M |
| (j) List the types of WDM.  | 2M |

**PART – B**

(Answer all the questions: 05 X 10 = 50 Marks)

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| 2  | (a) A silica optical fiber with a core diameter large enough to be considered by ray theory analysis has a core refractive index of 1.50 and a cladding refractive index of 1.47. Determine: (i) the critical angle at the core-cladding interface; (ii) the NA for the fiber; (iii) the acceptance angle in air for the fiber.         | 6M  |
|    | (b) Explain Phase velocity and group velocity.  | 4M  |
|    | <b>OR</b>   |     |
| 3  | (a) Compare step index and graded index fibers.   | 5M  |
|    | (b) A graded index fiber has a core with a parabolic refractive index profile which has a diameter of 50 $\mu\text{m}$ . The fiber has a numerical aperture of 0.2. Estimate the total number of guided modes propagating in the fiber when it is operating at a wavelength of 1 $\mu\text{m}$ .  | 5M  |
| 4  | Explain Fiber bend losses in details.   | 10M |
|    | <b>OR</b>   |     |
| 5  | A multimode graded index fiber exhibits total pulse broadening of 0.1 $\mu\text{s}$ over a distance of 15 km. Estimate: (i) the maximum possible bandwidth on the link assuming no inter symbol interference; (ii) the pulse dispersion per unit length; (iii) the bandwidth-length product for the fiber.                              | 10M |
| 6  | Explain various splicing techniques in fibers in detail.  | 10M |
|    | <b>OR</b>   |     |
| 7  | Explicate the geometry of Edge emitter LED structures.  | 10M |
| 8  | Compare P-i-N and avalanche photodiodes.  | 10M |
|    | <b>OR</b>   |     |
| 9  | With a neat schematic explain the optical receiver configuration.   | 10M |
| 10 | A transmitter has an output power of 0.1 mW. It is used with a fiber having NA = 0.25, attenuation of 6 dB/km and length 0.5 km. The link contains two connectors of 2 dB average loss. The receiver has a minimum acceptable power (sensitivity) of – 35 dBm. The designer has allowed a 4 dB margin. Calculate the link power budget. | 10M |
|    | <b>OR</b>   |     |
| 11 | Explain the measurement of attenuation in fibers in detail.   | 10M |

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B.Tech III Year II Semester (R20) Supplementary Examinations January 2024

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**PART – A**

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- 1 Answer the following: (10 X 02 = 20 Marks)
- (a) Define Numerical Aperture. 2M
  - (b) An optical fiber in air has an NA of 0.4. Compute the acceptance angle in air for the fiber. 2M
  - (c) Compare Stimulated Brillouin scattering and Stimulated Raman scattering. 2M
  - (d) What is Intermodal dispersion? How this can be minimized? 2M
  - (e) Two single-mode fibers with mode-field diameters of 9.2  $\mu\text{m}$  and 8.4  $\mu\text{m}$  are to be connected together. Assuming no extrinsic losses, determine the loss at the connection due to the mode-field diameter mismatch. 2M
  - (f) Name any two LED structures. 2M
  - (g) Define Quantum efficiency. 2M
  - (h) List the disadvantages of APDs. 2M
  - (i) Name any two major considerations involved in the Optical System Design. 2M
  - (j) Give the need for Rise time budget. 2M

**PART – B**

(Answer all the questions: 05 X 10 = 50 Marks)

- 2 (a) Explain briefly about Skew rays. 5M
- (b) A graded index fiber with a parabolic refractive index profile core has a refractive index at the core axis of 1.5 and a relative index difference of 1%. Estimate the maximum possible core diameter which allows single-mode operation at a wavelength of 1.3  $\mu\text{m}$ . 5M
- OR**
- 3 (a) Explain the single mode fibers with a neat diagram. 6M
- (b) Determine the cutoff wavelength for a step index fiber to exhibit single-mode operation when the core refractive index and radius are 1.46 and 4.5  $\mu\text{m}$ , respectively, with the relative index difference being 0.25%. (Use  $V_c = 2.405$ ). 4M
- 4 Explain the types of Dispersion in optical fibers in detail. 10M
- OR**
- 5 Explain the intrinsic and extrinsic absorption loss mechanisms in Silica Glass Fibers. 10M
- 6 Brief about fiber misalignment in multimode optical fibers and the related losses in it. 10M
- OR**
- 7 Explain the structure of Surface emitter LED. 10M
- 8 (a) Explain the Optical Detection Principle. 4M
- (b) When  $3 \times 10^{11}$  photons each with a wavelength of 0.85  $\mu\text{m}$  are incident on a photodiode, on average  $1.2 \times 10^{11}$  electrons are collected at the terminals of the device. Determine the quantum efficiency and the responsivity of the photodiode at 0.85  $\mu\text{m}$ . 6M
- OR**
- 9 Explain the Fundamental Receiver Operation with its performance measures. 10M
- 10 Discuss about the Rise time budget and derive expression for system rise time. 10M
- OR**
- 11 Explain the operating principle of WDM networks and types of WDM. 10M

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