

**B.Tech. – VIEP – ELECTRONICS AND
COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING
(BTECVI)**

Term-End Examination

00634 June, 2017

BIEL-017 : OPTICAL FIBER COMMUNICATION

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Note : *Attempt any **seven** questions. All questions carry equal marks. Assume missing data, if any. Use of scientific calculator is permitted.*

1. (a) With the help of a neat diagram, explain the block diagram of an optical fiber communication system. 5
- (b) Draw the electromagnetic spectrum and show the region in the spectrum used for an optical fiber communication system. 5

2. (a) Define the relative refractive index difference for an optical fiber and show how it may be related to the numerical aperture. 5
- (b) A step index fiber with a large core diameter compared with the wavelength of the transmitted light has an acceptance angle in air of 22° and relative index difference of 3%. Estimate the numerical aperture and the critical angle at the core cladding interface. 5
3. Define normalized frequency for an optical fiber and explain its use in determination of the number of guided modes propagating within a step index fiber. 10
4. Compare stimulated Brillouin and stimulated Raman scattering in optical fiber and indicate the way in which they can be avoided in optical fiber communication. 10
5. Describe the mechanism of intermodal dispersion in a multimode step index fiber. Show that total broadening of a light pulse δT_s due to intermodal dispersion in a multimode step index fiber is given by

$$\delta T_s \cong \frac{L (NA)^2}{2n_1 C}. \quad 10$$

6. (a) Discuss the mechanism of optical feedback to provide oscillation and hence amplification within the laser. Indicate how this provides a distinctive spectral output from device. 6
- (b) The longitudinal modes of a GaAs injection laser emitting at a wavelength of $0.87 \mu\text{m}$ are separated in frequency by 278 GHz. Determine the length of optical cavity. The refractive index of GaAs = 3.6. 4
7. (a) Comment on the differences in the performance characteristics between the conventional LEDs used for optical communication and superluminescent LEDs. 5
- (b) Outline the common LED for optical communication and compare Edge emitter and Surface emitter LEDs. 5
8. Define the Noise Equivalent Power (NEP) for a photodetector. Obtain an expression for the NEP of a photodiode in which the dark current dominates. 10

9. An APD has a quantum efficiency of 45% at 0.85 μm . When illuminated with radiation of this wavelength it produces an output photocurrent of 10 μA after avalanche gain with a multiplication factor of 250. Calculate the received optical power to the device. 10

10. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : 2 \times 5=10

- (a) Regenerative Repeater
 - (b) Mie Scattering Loss
 - (c) PIN Photodiode
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