

2023

OPTICAL COMMUNICATION AND NETWORKING

Full Marks: 100

Time: Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

Answer any five questions.

- Q1. a) What do you mean by Optical Fiber? 3
b) Explain the historical developments of the optical fiber communication. 7
c) Explain the fiber optic communication system in details by using its block diagram. 10
- Q2. a) Explain the main advantages and disadvantages of the optical fiber communication. 3
b) Explain the following terms: 3x5=15
Transverse waves, phase wave front, Polarization, snell's law, Refractive Index.
c) Figure out the values of refractive index of the following substances: 2
Glass and Air
- Q3. a) Explain the condition of Snell's Law by considering the refraction and reflection of a light ray at a material boundary. 7
b) At a glass-air interface explain when totally internally reflection occurs by considering the condition of critical angle, refracted ray and non-refracted ray. 7
c) A light ray travelling in air is incident on a smooth, flat slab of crown glass, which has a refractive index $n_2 = 1.52$. If the incoming ray makes an angle of $\phi_1 = 30.0^\circ$ with respect to the normal, what is the angle of refraction ϕ_2 in the glass? 6
- Q4. a) By considering Ray optics representation explain the skew ray and meridional ray optics propagation mechanism in an ideal step index optical waveguide. 10
b) Define Numerical aperture. Consider a multimode fiber that has a core refractive index of 1.480 and a core-cladding index difference 2.0 %. Find the (a) numerical aperture, (b) the acceptance angle and (c) the critical angle. 1+5=6

- c) What do you mean by Single mode step index fiber and Multimode graded index fiber. 4
- Q5. a) What are the basic requirements that must be satisfied in selecting fiber material? 3
- b) Explain the main two different types of fiber materials that are needed to manufacture the optical fiber cables by considering its various fiber compositions. 7
- c) Define signal attenuation of an optical fiber. Also find its attenuation coefficient by mentioning the optical power in the fiber. 1+4=5
- d) What are the three different mechanisms of absorption in an optical fiber? 5
- Q6. a) Explain the process of broadening and attenuation of two adjacent pulses when they travel along an optical fiber during signal dispersions. 6
- b) Differentiate between intermodal dispersion and intramodal dispersion. Also explain two different types of intramodal dispersion. 2+4=6
- c) Explain the two different LED structures by using proper schematic diagrams. 8
- Q7. a) Explain the three different key transition processes involved in laser action in details. 10
- b) Define population inversion and pumping techniques in the Laser diodes. 4
- c) Explain the reach through process of Avalanche photodiode by using its proper diagram. 6
