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UIE603: Optical Fiber and Optoelectronics

Full Marks: 100

Time: Three hours

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

Answer any five questions.

1. a)
- i) What does index of refraction measure? 1
 - ii) On what factors, the NA of a fiber depends? 1
 - iii) List the characteristics and drawbacks of semiconductor lasers. 2
 - iv) Explain the difference between dispersion and bandwidth length product. 2
 - v) State the zero dispersion wavelength of optical fiber. 1
 - vi) Explain the three mechanisms that causes distortion in the signal sent along communication fiber. 3
- b) Fill in the blanks with the correct answer: 5
- i) The light sources used in fibre optics communication are _____
(LED's and Lasers/ Phototransistors/ Xenon lights/ Incandescent)
 - ii) _____ is the numerical aperture of the fiber if the angle of acceptance is 16 degree.
(0.50/ 0.36/ 0.20/ 0.27)
 - iii) The ratio of speed of light in air to the speed of light in another medium is called as _____
(Speed factor/ Dielectric constant/ Reflection index/ Refraction index)
 - iv) A graded-index fiber has a core with parabolic refractive index profile of diameter of $30\mu\text{m}$, $\text{NA}=0.2$, $\lambda=1\mu\text{m}$. The normalised frequency will be _____
(19.32/ 18.84/ 16.28/ 17.12)
 - v) _____ fiber is advantageous for lower bandwidth applications.
(Single mode/ Co-axial/ Multi mode/ Photonic crystal)

- c) State the advantages and disadvantages of Laser surgery. 5
2. a) Generalize the necessity of cladding for an optical fibre. 2
- b) Define the normalized frequency for an optical fiber and explain its use in the determination of the number of guided modes propagating within a step index fiber. 4
- c) Discuss absorption losses in optical fibers, comparing and contrasting the intrinsic and extrinsic absorption mechanisms. 6
- d) A fiber has 30 mW of light power injected into it. Of this 27.9 mW exits the opposite end of the fiber. This exiting light from the fiber fall upon a detector with a light sensitive area of 5 cm². Now determine the irradiance. 4
- e) Define the relative refractive index difference for an optical fiber and show how it may be related to the numerical aperture. 4
3. a) State the different advantages of optical fiber over the copper wire system in telecommunication application. 5
- b) Describe the distinctions that exist between transmission holograms and reflection holograms. 6
- c) What exactly are surface plasmons (SP)? Describe a typical Surface Plasmon Resonance (SPR) sensor arrangement using fiber optics. 7
- d) How is stimulated emission different from spontaneous emission? 2
4. a) Define the following parameters of a coupler: 4
- Tap loss
 - Throughput loss
 - Directionality
 - Excess loss.
- b) Compute the V-parameter and the no. of modes supported by a fiber having $n_1(\text{core}) = 1.50$ and $n_2(\text{cladding}) = 1.46$; core radius 35-micrometer and operating wavelength is 1550nm. 4
- c) Describe the types of detectors used in optical fiber communications and their working principles. 5
- d) Describe the operation of Fiber Bragg grating based sensors 7
5. a) Compare and contrast different types of fiber connectors and couplers. 6
- b) Describe the requirements that must be satisfied in order to use reagents in 5

reagent-mediated sensors.

- c) What is a Micro bend sensor? Discuss the principle of working of Micro bend sensor. 5
- d) Show with a neat diagram, how Laser can be used for measurement of distance 4
6. a) How a PIN detector differs from APD? Explain. 5
- b) Calculate the quantum efficiency of an APD that produces 10 electrons for every one incident photon. 3
- c) What are fibre optic extrinsic sensors? Explain the fibre optic technique of measurement of displacement and fluid level detection. 7
- d) How does Li-Fi work? Make a comparison with Wi-Fi. 5
7. Write short notes on **any four** of the following 5 x 4=20
- Mach-Zehnder interferometer (MZI)
 - Medical applications of lasers
 - Surface plasmon resonance-based sensors
 - LASER Doppler Velocimetry (LDV)
 - Laser for material processing

