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B.E./B.Tech. DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2020
Seventh Semester

Electronics and Communication Engineering
EC 6702 – OPTICAL COMMUNICATION AND NETWORKS
(Regulations 2013)

(Common to PTEC 6702 – Optical Communication and Networks for B.E.
(Part-Time) – Sixth Semester – Electronics and Communication Engineering)
(Regulations – 2014)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 100 Marks

Answer ALL questions

PART – A

(10×2=20 Marks)

1. List the advantages of optical fibers.
2. A certain single mode step-index fiber has a mode field diameter of $11.2 \mu\text{m}$ and $V = 2.25$. What is the core diameter of this fiber ?
3. Draw a graph on how the attenuation varies over wavelength for a standard single mode fiber.
4. A given step index fiber has a core refractive index of 1.480, a core radius equal to $4.5 \mu\text{m}$ and a core-cladding index difference of 0.25 percent. What is the cutoff wavelength ?
5. Depict the electron recombination and the associated photon emission for direct-bandgap and indirect-bandgap materials.
6. Define internal quantum efficiency and bulk recombination lifetime of LED.
7. What is cutback technique in attenuation measurements ?
8. Define Bit error rate. What is the typical error rates ranges between for optical fiber telecommunication systems ?
9. Write the expressions for blocking probability and achievable utilization for a given blocking probability in a network with wavelength conversion and without wavelength conversion.
10. Define Optical CDMA.

**PART – B****(5×13=65 Marks)**

11. a) i) Discuss about various key elements of optical fiber systems. **(5)**
ii) Explain in detail about total internal reflection, acceptance angle and numerical aperture with necessary diagrams and derivations. **(8)**
(OR)
- b) i) Write briefly with neat diagrams on linearly polarized modes in optical fiber. **(8)**
ii) Give a short notes on graded index fiber structure. **(5)**
12. a) Explain how the signal is distorted by microscopic variation in material density, macro bending and micro bending. **(13)**
(OR)
- b) Define dispersion in optical fibers and explain types of dispersion such as material dispersion, waveguide dispersion and polarization mode dispersion. **(13)**
13. a) Elaborate the working of Laser diodes along with laser modes and threshold conditions and external quantum efficiency. **(13)**
(OR)
- b) Elaborate the impact of mechanical misalignment, fiber-related losses and fiber end-face preparation in fiber-to-fiber joints of fiber optic system. **(13)**
14. a) Illustrate the fundamental optical receiver operation and its error sources. **(13)**
(OR)
- b) With necessary diagrams and equations write short notes on
i) Time-domain intermodal dispersion measurement. **(7)**
ii) Frequency domain international dispersion. **(6)**
15. a) Explain about SONET/SDH transmission formats and speed, SONET/SDH rings and SONET/SDH Networks. **(13)**
(OR)
- b) Discuss about a special kind of wave that can propagate undistorted over long distance and remain unaffected after collision with each other. **(13)**

PART – C**(1×15=15 Marks)**

16. a) Analyze the impact of a third nonlinearity four wave mixing in the signal propagating through the optical fiber. How the FWM can be mitigated? And also discuss about how four wave mixing can be used for wavelength conversion. **(15)**
(OR)



- b) i) Consider an EDFA being pumped at 980 nm with 30 mW pump power. If the gain at 1550 nm is 20 dB, what are the maximum input and output powers ? (6)
- ii) Draw absorption and gain spectra for erbium ions in silica fiber doped with Ge and Al. (3)
- iii) List 3 points that note from the curves given in the below figures a and b. (6)

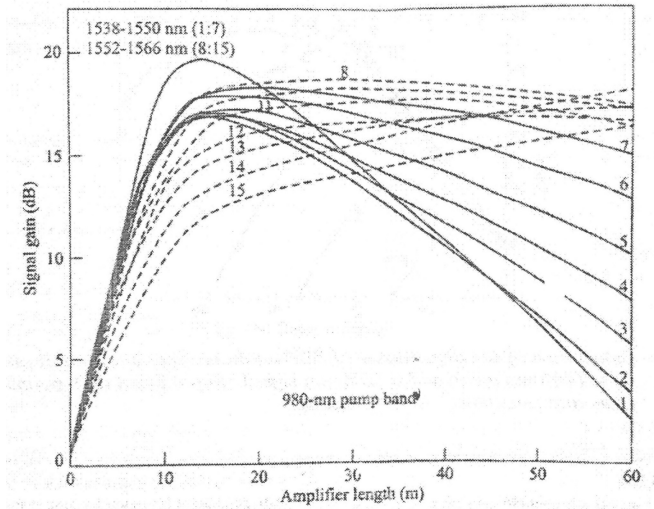


Figure a) : EDFA gain versus amplifier length for 15 WDM signals that are co-directionally pumped with 50 mW of 980 nm pump power.

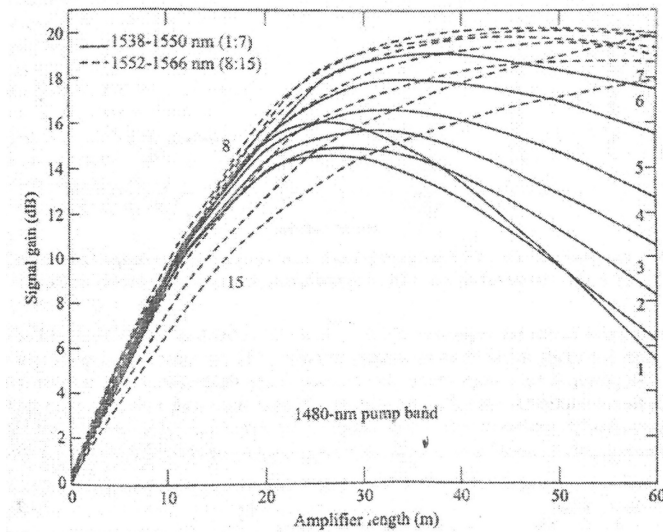


Figure b) : EDFA gain versus amplifier length for 15 WDM signals that are co-directionally pumped with 50 mW of 1480 nm pump power.

