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**B.E / B.TECH. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2023**  
 Seventh Semester  
**EC18702-OPTICAL COMMUNICATION AND NETWORKS**  
*(Electronics and Communication Engineering)*  
**(Regulation 2018)**

TIME: 3 HOURS

MAX. MARKS: 100

Course  
Outcomes

Statement

- CO 1** Evaluate the transmission characteristics and classify the structures of Optical fiber and types
- CO 2** Investigate the various signal degradation factors associated with optical fiber.
- CO 3** Evaluate the various optical sources and optical detectors and their use in the optical communication system
- CO 4** Examine the digital transmission and its associated parameters on system performance with the optical fiber measurements and various coupling techniques
- CO 5** Enrich their knowledge on design of optical fiber networks such as SONET/SDH and optical CDMA systems

**PART- A (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)**  
 (Answer all Questions)

		CO	RBT LEVEL
1.	State the necessity of cladding for an optical fiber.	1	3
2.	List down the importance of "Critical Angle" in optical fiber.	1	2
3.	The mean optical power launched into an 8 km length fiber is $120\mu\text{W}$ , the mean optical power at the fiber output is $3\mu\text{W}$ ? Determine the overall signal attenuation in dB/km.	2	3
4.	Furnish the concept of dispersion in optical fiber.	2	2
5.	Why silicon is not preferred to fabricate LED or LASER diode?	3	3
6.	Differentiate direct and indirect band gap materials.	3	3
7.	Categorize the types of preamplifiers.	4	2
8.	What do you mean by Responsivity?	4	2
9.	State the principle of WDM network.	5	2
10.	Distinguish SONET and SDH.	5	3

**PART- B (5 x 14 = 70 Marks)**

		Marks	CO	RBT LEVEL
11. (a)	Using the basic Maxwell's equations for a source-free condition, derive the mode equations for the cylindrical fiber.	(14)	1	3

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| (b)     | (i)  | Explain the elements of an optical fiber transmission link by drawing the relevant diagram that shows how each component functions.   | (8)  | 1 | 3 |
|         | (ii) | A step index fiber has 10 $\mu\text{m}$ radius. The refractive indexes of the core & cladding are 1.47 and 1.45 respectively. Determine its normalized frequency and hence number of modes that propagate in this fiber at 1350 nm? | (6)  | 1 | 3 |
| 12. (a) |      | Illustrate the material and waveguide dispersion mechanisms with necessary mathematical expressions.  | (14) | 2 | 4 |

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| (b)     |  | Explain the Pulse Broadening in Graded Index Fiber along with its effects on information carrying capacity of fiber using relevant expressions. | (14) | 2 | 4 |
| 13. (a) |  | Derive the expression for the quantum efficiency of a double hetero structure of LED.   | (14) | 3 | 4 |

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| (b)     | (i)  | With the relevant diagram, explain the surface emitting LED structure and emphasize its drawbacks when compared with edge emitters. | (8)  | 3 | 4 |
|         | (ii) | Analyze the concept of fiber splicing and provide an explanation of fusion splicing with neat diagram.                              | (6)  | 3 | 4 |
| 14. (a) |      | Construct the optical receiver operation and its performance with neat diagram.   | (14) | 4 | 3 |

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| (b)     |  | Discuss the Fiber Diameter and Refractive Index Profile measurements in detail.     | (14) | 4 | 3 |
| 15. (a) |  | Deduce the basic SONET frame structure and layering concept with relevant diagrams. | (14) | 5 | 3 |

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| (b) | (i)  | Discuss the salient feature of Solitons using appropriate diagrams.                 | (6) | 5 | 3 |
|     | (ii) | Illustrate the detailed notes on Ultra High Capacity Networks and its applications. | (8) | 5 | 3 |

**PART- C (1 x 10 = 10 Marks)**  
**(Q.No.16 is compulsory)**

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| 16.  | (10)  | 1  | 4            |
| Describe the ray theory transmission behind the optical fiber communication with a special mention about the reflection, refraction, total internal reflection, Snell's law, critical angle and phase-shift. |       |    |              |

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