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Seventh Semester B.Tech. Degree Examination, November 2013
(2008 Scheme)
08.735 : OPTOELECTRONIC DEVICES (TA)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 100



Answer **all** questions. **Each** question carries 4 marks.

1. Compute radiative recombination time (τ_r) in GaAs having $n_0 = 10^{14} \text{cm}^{-3}$ under high injection of 10^{18}cm^{-3} . Given that $B_r = 7 \times 10^{-10} \text{cm}^3/\text{s}$.
2. What do you understand by Stark Effect ?
3. Draw the noise equivalent circuit of a photodiode and name the components.
4. Explain 'Avalanche multiplication' and write an expression for Avalanche multiplication coefficient.
5. Explain energy band diagram of a Schottky barrier cell.
6. τ_r and τ_{nr} (Radiative and non radiative life times) of a LED are 60 ns and 100 ns respectively. Compute total recombination life time. Given that peak emission wavelength is $0.87 \mu\text{m}$ at a drive current of 40 mA.
7. Draw the structure of a planar LED.
8. Write down threshold condition for Laser Oscillation.
9. The total efficiency of an injection laser with a GaAs active region is 18%. Voltage applied to the device is 2.5 V and band gap energy is 1.43 eV. Calculate external power efficiency of the device.
10. Write notes on Rare-Earth Doped Lasers.



PART – II

Answer **any two** questions from **each** Module. **Each** question carries **10** marks.

Module – I

11. Explain different types of absorption of photons in semiconductors (with neat figures). 10
12. a) Derive the relation between quantum efficiency and responsivity of a photo diode. 5
- b) A photo diode has a quantum efficiency of 65% when photons of energy 1.5×10^{-19} J are incident on it.
- i) At what wavelength is the photo diode operating ?
- ii) Compute the incident optical power required to obtain a photo current of $2.5 \mu\text{A}$ at this wavelength. 5
13. Explain the structure of SAGM APD. How grading improves the performance ? 10

Module – II

14. a) Define injection efficiency and recombination efficiency of a light emitting diode with sufficient Mathematical support. 3
- b) Explain the structures of Heterojunction LED and surface emitting LED. 7
15. a) What is image force lowering effect in MSM photodiode ? Explain with sketches. 5
- b) What is the effect of bias on barrier heights in a triangular barrier diode ? 5
16. Describe the principle and operation of Electro-optic and acousto-optic modulators. 10



Module – III

17. a) Compare the ratio of threshold current densities at 20°C and 80°C for AlGaAs injection laser with $T_0 = 180$ K. 4
- b) Write notes on Axial and Transverse Laser Modes. 6
18. a) Derive an expression for gain in a two level lasing medium. 5
- b) Calculate the number of modes of an AlGaAs laser supported by the gain spectrum which has a bandwidth of 6nm. Cavity length of the laser is 200 μm and emission wavelength is 800 nm. 5
19. Write notes on :
- a) DFB lasers. 5
- b) Quantum well lasers. 5

