

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS

MAXIMUM MARK IS 90

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

Question One (14 marks)

- What is meant by the modal orthogonality property? (3 marks)
- Show that the guided TM modes propagating in a symmetric slab dielectric waveguide are orthogonal. (6 marks)
- Explain with the aid of diagrams, how a directional coupler-based polarization splitter operates. (5 marks)

Question Two (14 marks)

- What is meant by solitons in optical fibers? (4 marks)
- Explain briefly the mechanism of soliton formation in optical fibers (5 marks)
- Fundamental soliton propagation in optical fibers is described by the nonlinear Schrödinger equation (NLSE):

$$-j \frac{\partial E}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 E}{\partial t^2} + |E|^2 E - j \frac{\alpha}{2} E$$

where  $E(z,t)$  is the electric field amplitude,  $z$  is the propagation distance along the fiber and  $\alpha$  represents energy loss. Show that the following is a solution to the NLSE (taking  $\alpha = 0$ )

$$E(z,t) = \text{sech}(t) e^{jz/2} \quad (5 \text{ marks})$$

Question Three (14 marks)

- Draw a block diagram of a coherent photoreceiver. (3 marks)
  - Explain the advantages of coherent optical communications. (4 marks)
- An incoming signal to a heterodyne binary PSK receiver operating at 1550 nm and its shot-noise limit is -50 dBm. When the photodiode in the receiver has a responsivity of 0.3 A/W at this wavelength and the received SNR is 60 dB, determine the operating bandwidth of the receiver. Repeat your calculation for a homodyne binary PSK receiver. Comment on the results. (7 marks)

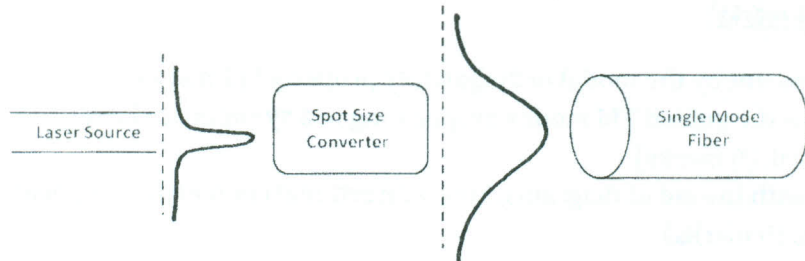
Question Four (14 marks)

- Explain briefly the fabrication techniques of buried channel waveguide stating their relative advantages and disadvantages. (6 marks)
- What is the main characterizing parameter of phase modulators? (2 marks)
  - How can this parameter be improved? (2 marks)
- Explain briefly two of the applications of optical phase modulators. (4 marks)

Question Five (14 marks)

- a) Prove that no mode conversion can occur in a symmetric tapered waveguide. (7 marks)
- b) Show, with aid of diagrams, how tapers can be used to design a spot size converters as shown in Fig.1. (7 marks)

Fig. 1



Question Six (20 marks)

- a) For the Y-junction shown in Fig. 2.a, and assuming single mode conditions, write down the electric field expression at  $z=L$ . (4 marks)
- b) Figure 2.b shows two similar Y-junctions connected to each other at  $z=L$ , however, with a small misalignment,  $\delta$ .
  - i. Derive an expression for the electric field expression at  $z=2L$ . (6 marks)
  - ii. Derive an expression for the input-output coupling efficiency in terms of the misalignment,  $\delta$ . (10 marks)

Fig. 2.a

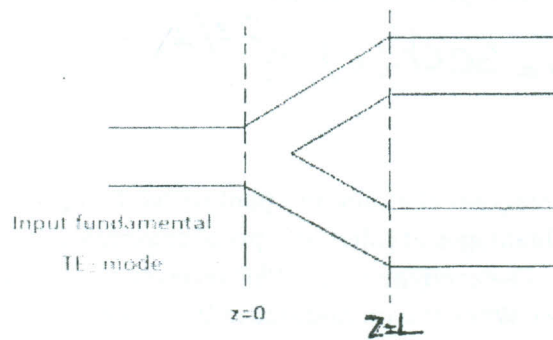
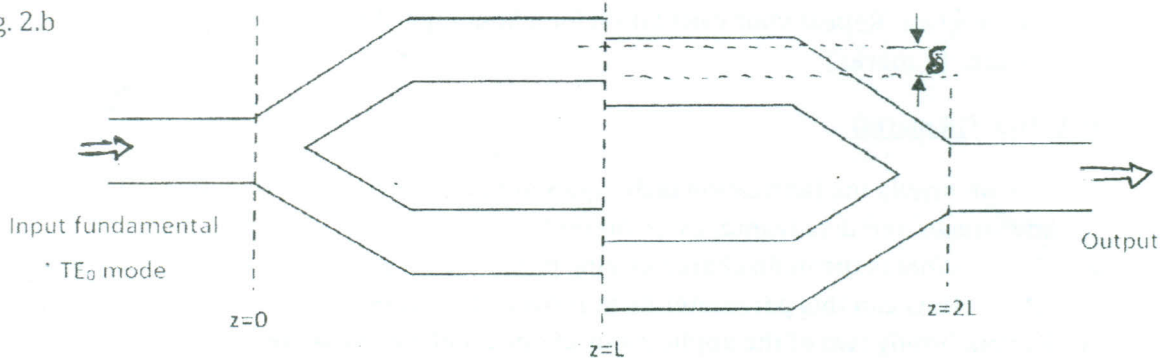


Fig. 2.b



Attempt All Questions

- 1-a) Explain neural networks (NNs) are a form of multiprocessor computer system. Why use NNs? and what are used for? How are chosen the activation functions?
- b) Derive expressions for sigmoid and tanh used as activation functions.
- c) Define : - Neural Computing and Firing Rule - PCA.  
 - Artificial neural network properties.

- 2-a) Describe that feedforward TANs can be implemented for pattern recognition. Compare this model with the perceptron proposed by Rosenblatt.
- b) A single neuron net using the perceptron rule has been trained using  $c = 1$  and  $x_i$  and  $d_i$  are :

$$x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, d_1 = -1, \quad x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, d_2 = 1, \quad x_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, d_3 = -1$$

The final weights obtained are  $W^4 = [3 \ 2 \ 6 \ 1]^T$

Determine the following weights:  $w^3, w^2, w^1$  by back-tracking the training.

- 3-a) Design nets of MCP neurons that implement logical NOT, AND, and OR. Draw each net and write its equations. Prove that XOR is so difficult.
- b) Perform training steps using delta learning rule with the initial weight  $w^1 = [1 \ -1 \ 0]^T$ ,  $c = 0.25$ ,  $\lambda = 1$  and its inputs are

$$x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, d_1 = -1, \quad x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, d_2 = 1, \quad x_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, d_3 = -1$$

- 4-a) Describe multilayer perceptron (MLP), and explain why it is related to gradient descent. How setup MLP?
- b) Discuss the structure of Hopfield net, its operation and its applications?
- c) Explain the radial basis function (RBF), main features and two serious problems. Can the XOR implement linearly separable form using RBF?
- 5-a) Describe Backpropagation (BP), and how such algorithm is to be better and how it is able to speed up learning
- b) Draw and describe the structure of ALVINN.
- c) Explain structure diagram for neuron and activation function implementation using FPGA technology. Which multiplier accumulator (MAC) is better?