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**Fourth Semester M.Sc. Degree (Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)  
Examination, March 2016  
PHYSICS (2014 Admn.)  
PHY 4E06 : Optoelectronics**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 60

**SECTION – A**

Answer **both** questions (either a or b).

1. a) Discuss the depletion layer capacitance of a pn junction. Show that the indirect band gap semiconductor recombination life time is inversely proportional to the injected carrier concentration.

OR

- b) What is Q switching ? What are the conditions required for Q switching ? Explain the different methods for producing Q switching within a laser cavity.

2. a) Explain with necessary diagrams the principle and working of photodiode. Explain it with energy band diagrams and photo detection modes.

OR

- b) What is electro optic effect ? Explain with the aid of schematic diagram how this effect is used

a) for phase modulation

b) for amplitude modulation.

(2×12=24)

**SECTION – B**

Answer **any four**. 1 mark for part a, 3 marks for part b, 5 marks for part c.

3. a) What is meant by non degenerate semiconductor ?  
b) Explain hetrojunction LED with the help of energy band diagram.  
c) For a silicon sample at 300 K, the hole concentration is  $4 \times 10^{18} \text{ m}^{-3}$  and intrinsic carrier concentration is  $1.5 \times 10^{16} \text{ m}^{-3}$ . Determine the electron density.

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4. a) What is mode locking ?  
b) Explain any two techniques for producing mode locking.  
c) Compute the mode locked pulse width and the separation between pulses for a dye laser operating over its entire gain band width (570-640 nm) with the cavity mirrors separated by 2 m. The index of refraction is 1.4.
5. a) What is a pin photo diode ?  
b) Discuss the characteristics of a pin photo diode with its energy band diagram.  
c) When a radiation of power  $0.126 \mu\text{W}$  is incident on a pin photo diode, it generates a photo current of  $56.6 \text{ nA}$ . What is the responsivity and external quantum efficiency of the diode at  $700 \text{ nm}$ ?
6. a) What is a solar cell ?  
b) Draw the equivalent circuit of a solar cell and explain the effective resistance.  
c) A solar cell of area  $1 \text{ cm}^2$  is illuminated with light of intensity  $900 \text{ Wm}^{-2}$ . If the current is  $-31.5 \text{ mA}$  and voltage is  $0.505 \text{ V}$  in the photovoltaic circuit, what is the efficiency of the solar cell ?
7. a) What is Birefringence ?  
b) Explain the working of a half wave plate.  
c) Calculate the thickness of a half wave plate made of quartz and to be used with sodium light of wave length  $589.3 \text{ nm}$ . It is given that the principal refractive indices  $n_e$  and  $n_o$  for quartz are 1.553 and 1.544 respectively.
8. a) What is optical Kerr effect ?  
b) Obtain the condition for ideal phase matching.  
c) Explain the methods for achieving phase matching. (4×9=36)