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PHYSICS

PHY 4E06 : Optoelectronics

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 60

SECTION – A

Answer both questions (either a or b).

1. a) Explain the direct and indirect band gap semiconductors with the help of E-k diagram. Discuss the conductivity of a forward biased pn junction.

OR

- b) Explain how mode locking is achieved. Deduce the expressions for the separation between pulses Δt_{sep} and pulse width Δt_p for a mode locked laser.

2. a) Deduce the expression for photo conductive gain of a photoconductor in terms of transit times. Explain the noises in pn, pin and avalanche photo diodes.

OR

- b) What is acousto-optic effect ? Explain the Raman-Nath and Bragg acousto-optic modulators.

(2x12=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 a double heterojunction LED ?
b) Show that the recombination life time is inversely proportional to the injected carrier concentration.
c) A semiconductor is known to have a band gap of 1.25 eV and intrinsic carrier concentration of $1.6 \times 10^{16} \text{ m}^{-3}$ at room temperature. If ratio of effective masses of electrons to holes is 4 ($m_e^* : m_p^* = 4 : 1$) and $kT = 0.025 \text{ eV}$, estimate effective density of state at conduction band edge N_c and at valence band edge N_v .

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4. a) What is meant by Q switching ?
b) Explain the different types of electro-optic shutters.
c) Calculate the Q switched maximum power output from a ruby laser operating at 694.3 nm if it is pumped to a factor of five times the threshold inversion density with the threshold population $M_t = 4.96 \times 10^{18}$ and decay time $t_c = 15.8$ ns.
5. a) What is a photo diode ?
b) What is quantum efficiency and responsivity of a photo diode ?
c) The responsivity of a photo diode at 940 nm is 0.56 AW^{-1} . Calculate the quantum efficiency.
6. a) What is avalanche photo diode ?
b) Explain impact ionization and avalanche multiplication factor.
c) A Si avalanche photo diode has a quantum efficiency of 70% at 830 nm in the absence of multiplication. The APD is biased to operate with a multiplication of 100. If the incident optical power is 10 nW, What is the multiplied photo current ?
7. a) What is Pockels effect ?
b) Explain the working of a quarter wave plate.
c) Calculate the thickness of a quarter wave plate made of calcite and to be used with sodium light of wave length 589.3 nm. It is given that the principal refractive indices n_o and n_e for calcite are 1.658 and 1.486 respectively.
8. a) What is meant by parametric oscillation ?
b) Explain the second harmonic generation.
c) Explain the sum and difference frequency generation. (4×9=36)