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*[Fizik Komunikasi Optik]*

Duration : 3 hours  
*[Masa : 3 jam]*

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Please check that this examination paper consists of **FIVE** pages of printed material before you begin the examination.

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**Instructions:** Answer all **FIVE** (5) questions. Students are allowed to answer all questions in Bahasa Malaysia or in English.

**Arahan:** Jawab kesemua **LIMA** (5) soalan. Pelajar dibenarkan menjawab semua soalan sama ada dalam Bahasa Malaysia atau Bahasa Inggeris.]

1. (a) Write down a complete expression for the  $x$ -polarized wave propagating  $\vec{k}$  along the  $z$  direction, the electric field is confined to  $x$ - $y$  plane.

[(a) Tuliskan ungkapan gelombang tertutup- $x$  yang merambat sepanjang  $z$ , medan elektrik terbatas pada satah  $x$ - $y$ .]

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- (b) A laser beam is almost perfectly parallel, it can be focused to a spot of radius of a few wavelengths. A beam of 1 mW at 0.633  $\mu\text{m}$  is focused by a lens to a spot of radius 6  $\mu\text{m}$ , then find the resultant intensity and corresponding electric field.

[(b) Alur laser yang hampir selari boleh difokuskan kepada titik berjejari beberapa panjang gelombang. Suatu alur 1 mW dengan panjang gelombang 0.633  $\mu\text{m}$  difokus oleh kanta ke suatu titik berjejari 6  $\mu\text{m}$ , tentu jumlah keamatan dan medan elektrik alur laser tersebut.]

$$\mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \text{ Hm}^{-1}$$

$$c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

$$n = 1 \text{ (air)}$$

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- (c) (i) Write Maxwell's equations for an isotropic, linear, nonconducting, and nonmagnetic medium.

[(c) (i) Tuliskan persamaan Maxwell untuk medium isotropik, linear, bukan pengkonduksi dan bukan magnet.]

- (ii) Explain Maxwell's contribution toward optical communication.

(ii) Terangkan sumbangan Maxwell terhadap komunikasi optik.]

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2. (a) A transverse plane electromagnetic wave propagating in vacuum. The electric field is given by  $\vec{E} = \vec{E}_0 \cos[\omega t - 3x + 4y]$ , where  $x$  and  $y$  are measured in meter and  $\omega$  in rad.sec $^{-1}$ , vector  $\vec{E}$  is assumed to lie in the  $x$ - $y$  plane.

[(a) Gelombang elektromagnet satah melintang merambat dalam vakum. Medan elektrik diberi oleh  $\vec{E} = \vec{E}_0 \cos[\omega t - 3x + 4y]$ , dengan  $x$  dan  $y$  diukur dalam meter dan  $\omega$  dalam rad.saat $^{-1}$ , vektor  $\vec{E}$  dianggap terletak dalam satah  $x$ - $y$ .]

Find the values of

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(i)  $\vec{k}$

(ii)  $\omega$

(iii)  $\vec{E}$  and [dan]

(iv)  $\lambda$

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- (b) Explain the loss mechanism in an optical fiber. (40/100)  
*[(b) Explain mekanisme kehilangan di dalam gentian optik.]*
- (c) Write down the expression for pulse dispersion in a square law medium, and show whether it is valid for parabolic index and step index optical fibers.  
*[(c) Tuliskan ungkapan untuk sebaran denyut di dalam medium hukum kuasadua, dan tunjukkan samada ia sah untuk gantian optik indek parabolik dan indek bertangga.]*
- (40/100)

3. (a) Explain the broadening of a Gaussian pulse.  
 A wave packet is given by

$$\Psi(z,t) = \int_{\Delta\omega} |A(\omega)| \exp[i\{\omega t - kz + \phi(\omega)\}] d\omega.$$

Show that the wave packet remain undistorted for  $z \ll Z_d$  where

$$Z_d = \frac{2}{\alpha(\Delta\omega)^2}, \text{ (assume } \phi(\omega) = O, \quad \alpha = \left. \frac{d^2 k}{d\omega^2} \right|_{\omega=\omega_0} \text{ ).}$$

- [(a) Terangkan pelebaran denyut Gaussian.  
 Paket gelombang diberi oleh*

$$\Psi(z,t) = \int_{\Delta\omega} |A(\omega)| \exp[i\{\omega t - kz + \phi(\omega)\}] d\omega.$$

*Tunjukkan paket gelombang tersebut tidak herot untuk  $z \ll Z_d$  apabila*

$$Z_d = \frac{2}{\alpha(\Delta\omega)^2}, \text{ (andaikan } \phi(\omega) = O, \quad \alpha = \left. \frac{d^2 k}{d\omega^2} \right|_{\omega=\omega_0} \text{ ).}$$

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- (b) In an optical pulse propagation through a fiber by a Gaussian temporal distribution, if there exist 1ns pulse at  $\lambda_o \approx 0.834 \mu m$  find the

- [(b) Di dalam perambatan denyut optik melalui gentian taburan ruang Gaussian, jika wujud denyut 1ns pada  $\lambda_o \approx 0.834 \mu m$  tentukan]*

- (i) spectral width and

*[(i) lebar spektrum]*

- (ii) calculate spectral purity of the pulse for  $\omega_0 \approx 2.4 \times 10^{15} s^{-1}$ .

*[(ii) kirakan ketulenan spektrum denyut dengan  $\omega_0 \approx 2.4 \times 10^{15} s^{-1}$ .]*

(25/100)

- (c) (i) Explain Transverse Electric (TE) modes and transverse magnetic (TM) modes in a planar wave guide.  
*[(i) Terangkan mod elektrik melintang (TE) dan mod magnet melintang di dalam pandu gelombang satah.]*
- (ii) What are symmetric and antisymmetric modes?  
*[(ii) Apakah simetri dan antisimetri?]*
- (25/100)
4. (a) (i) Explain the principle of optical detections system.  
*[(i) Terangkan prinsip sistem pengesan optik.]*
- (ii) A photomultiplier is used to detect light from a HeNe laser. Assume the converting efficiency  $\eta$  is 10% and the band width  $\Delta\nu$  is 1 kHz. Calculate the minimum detectable power, if the wavelength of HeNe laser light is 633 nm. ( $h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34}$  Js)  
*[(ii) Suatu fotomultiplier digunakan untuk mengesan cahaya daripada laser HeNe. Anggap kecekapan penukaran  $\eta$  adalah 10% dan lebar jalur  $\Delta\nu$  ialah 1 kHz. Kirakan kuasa terkesan minimum jika panjang gelombang cahaya laser HeNe ialah 633 nm. ( $h = 6.626 \times 10^{-34}$  Js.)*
- (iii) An argon laser beam ( $\lambda = 514.5$  nm) passing through the aperture window of a photo-multiplier is 1W. How many photons will hit the cathode of the photomultiplier in every second?  
*[(iii) Alur laser argon ( $\lambda = 514.5$  nm) 1W melintasi bukaan tetingkap fotomultiplier, berapa banyaknya foton yang akan mengenai katod fotomultiplier setiap saat?]*
- (50/100)
- (b) (i) Write types of optical fiber and draw a schematic diagram of optical fibers.  
*[(i) Tuliskan jenis gentian optik dan lakarkan gambarajah skematik gentian optik tersebut.]*
- (ii) The ratio of the cladding and core refractive indices of a 2 km long fiber is 0.98. Calculate the dispersion of the fiber.  
*[(ii) Nisbah indek biasan pelapisan dan teras gentian optik sepanjang 2 km ialah 0.98. Kirakan sebaran gentian tersebut.]*
- (50/100)
5. (a) Explain the principle of optical amplification. Can an optical amplifier become a source of radiation?  
*[(a) Terangkan prinsip penguat optik. Bolehkah amplifier optik menjadi sumber sinaran?]*
- (25/100)

- (b) (i) Using WDM schemes, can a huge band width be exploited?  
[(i) *Bolehkah lebar jalur yang besar diterokai melalui skema WDM?*]  
(ii) Calculate the gain band width in frequency domain corresponding to a gain band width of 30 nm in wavelength domain centered around 1550 nm.  
[(ii) *Kirakan lebar jalur gandaan domain frekuensi pada lebar jalur gandaan domain panjang gelombang 30 nm berpusat di 1550 nm.*] (25/100)
- (c) (i) What is free electron laser (FEL) and the difference between conventional laser and FEL?  
[(i) *Apakah laser elektron bebas (FEL) dan apakah perbezaannya dengan laser biasa?*]  
(ii) Explain phase Coherence and Bunching mechanism for FEL.  
[(ii) *Terangkan koheren fasa dan mekanisme gugusan dalam FEL.*] (50/100)

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