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Paper 2**EXAMINATION RUBRIC****FACULTY** ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY**DEPARTMENT** ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC**Common** **Not common**

COURSE/CLASS **Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Electronic Engineering****UNIT CODE** **EEE 2419****PAPER** **Microwave****SERIES** **May 2016****NO. OF STUDENTS** **INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES****Answer Question One (Compulsory) and any other Two Questions****Name of setter: Stephen Sande****Name of moderator: Prof. Heywood Ouma****Date submitted to examination centre** _____



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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR :

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ENGINEERING**

EEE 2419 MICROWAVE

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

SERIES: MAY 2016

TIME : 2 HOURS

DATE:

Instructions to Candidates

You should have the following for this examination:

- *Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID*

This paper consists of five questions;

Question ONE is compulsory. In addition attempt any other TWO questions

$$\epsilon_0 = \frac{1}{36\pi} \times 10^{-9} F/m; \mu_0 = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} H/m$$

Do not write on the question paper

Question ONE (Compulsory 30 marks)

(a) Explain why microwave frequencies are suitable for the following applications:

- (i) Wireless systems
 - (ii) Digital transmission systems
 - (iii) Radar Systems
 - (iv) Satellite and terrestrial communication links
 - (v) Heating
- (10 marks)

- (b) Consider an electromagnetic wave which is incident on a boundary. Derive expressions for:
- (i) reflection coefficient (ii) transmission coefficient (iii) time- averaging power flow for a dielectric boundary (9 marks)
- (d) (i) Describe using appropriate sketches the principle of operation of a reflex klystron amplifier.
- (ii) Distinguish between a reflex klystron and a travelling wave tube (TWT). (11 marks)

Question TWO

- (a) (i) State the Poynting theorem
- (ii) Explain the significance of the terms in a (i) using appropriate sketches. (7 marks)
- (b) Starting from the three dimensional Helmholtz equation, derive expressions for transverse and longitudinal fields for TE modes in a rectangular waveguide. (13 marks)

Question THREE

- (a) State the FOUR Maxwell's equations in point form and explain the significance of each in electromagnetic theory. (6 marks)
- (b) With the aid of suitable sketches explain the principle of operation of transferable electron device (GUNN diode) (5 marks)
- (b) Explain the main electrical features of the following microwave devices:
- (i) IMPATT diode (ii) TRAPATT diode (iii) BARITT diode (6 marks)
- (C) Highlight THREE classifications of magnetrons. (3 marks)

Question FOUR

- (a) (i) With the aid of a suitable diagram explain the Manley-Rowe equation explaining its significance in parametric amplification.
- (ii) Distinguish between an up-converter parametric amplifier and a negative resistance parametric amplifier in terms of their principle of operation. (13 marks)
- (b) (i) Explain if power measurement techniques used at dc or low frequencies can be applied to microwave frequencies. If not why.
- (ii) Describe using suitable measurement apparatus the procedure for measuring low microwave power levels. (7 marks)

Question FIVE

(a) With the aid of a schematic diagram describe the operation of four port microwave circulator. (6 marks)

(b) Describe two sources of losses in hollow rectangular waveguides (4 marks)

(c) An air-filled rectangular waveguide has cross-sectional dimensions:

$$a = 8cm \quad b = 4cm$$

(i) Find the cut-off frequency for the following modes, TE_{10} , TE_{20} , TE_{01} , TE_{02} , TE_{11} , TE_{12} , and TE_{21} modes.

(ii) Determine the dominant mode (iii) Determine the degenerate modes (10 marks)