



# TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF MOMBASA

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FACULTY OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS ENGINEERING

## UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR:

DIPLOMA IN TECHNOLOGY IN TELECOMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION ENGINEERING

ETI 2305: MICROWAVE DEVICES AND COMPONENTS.

## END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

**SERIES:** AUGUST, 2019

**TIME:** 2 HOURS

**DATE:** AUGUST, 2019

### Instructions to Candidates

You should have the following for this examination

-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID

This paper consists of FIVE questions. Attempt any THREE out of the FIVE questions.

**Do not write on the question paper.**

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### Question ONE

(a) With a aid of a well labeled diagram, describe the microwave systems. [5 marks]

(b) With a suitable diagram describe its mode of operation of a two-cavity klystron

(c) The parameters of a two-cavity amplifier klystron are as follows:

Beam voltage  $V_o=1200$  V

Beam current  $I_o= 28$  mA.

Frequency  $f= 8$  GHz

Gap spacing in either cavity  $d=1$ mm

Spacing between the two cavities  $L= 4$  cm

Effective shunt resistance :  $R_{sh}=40$  k $\Omega$  (excluding beam resistance).

- (i) Electron velocity just leaving the cathode
- (ii) Gap transit angle
- (iii) Beam coupling efficiency
- (iv) DC transit angle between cavities
- (v) Maximum input voltage
- (vi) Voltage gain
- (vii) Efficiency of the amplifier **[15 marks]**

### Question TWO

- (a) State at least THREE losses in micro-stripe lines. **[3 marks]**
- (b) A lossless parallel strip line has a conducting strip width  $w$ . The substrate dielectric separating the two conducting strips has a relative dielectric constant  $\epsilon_{rd}$  of 6 (beryllia or beryllium oxide BeO) and a thickness  $d$  of 4mm.

Calculate:

- (i) The required width  $w$  of the conducting strip in order to have a characteristic impedance of  $50\Omega$ .
- (ii) The strip line capacitance
- (iii) The strip line inductance
- (iv) The phase velocity of the wave in the parallel strip line. **[9 marks]**
- (c) (i) With the aid of a schematic diagram describe hybrid ring.
- (ii) State its application. **[8 marks]**

### Question THREE

- (a) (i) Describe maser
- (ii) Describe Ruby maser with the aid of energy band diagrams
- (iii) State its application **(12 marks)**
- (b) (i) Describe attenuation
- (ii) Describe how attenuation can be measured by the power ratio method
- (iii) State the limitation of this method. **(4 marks)**

- (c) Calculate the SWR of a transmission system operating at 5 GHz, when the distance between the twice minimum power points is 1.1mm on a slotted line whose velocity factor is unity. **[4 marks]**

#### Question FOUR

- (a) With the aid of a sketch describe principle of operation of a magnetron. **[7.5 marks]**

- (b) An X-band pulsed cylindrical magnetron has the following operating parameters:

Anode voltage  $V_0 = 26 \text{ kV}$ .  
Beam current  $I_0 = 27 \text{ A}$   
Magnetic flux density  $B_0 = 0.336 \text{ Wb/m}^2$   
Radius of cathode cylinder  $a = 5 \text{ cm}$   
Radius of vane edge to centre  $b = 10 \text{ cm}$

Compute:

- (i) The cyclotron angular frequency  
(ii) The cut-off voltage for a fixed  $B_0$   
(iii) The cut-off magnetic flux density for a fixed  $V_0$  **[6.5 marks]**

- (c) A certain transmission line has a characteristic impedance of  $75 + j0.01 \Omega$  and is terminated in a load impedance of  $70 + j50 \Omega$ . Calculate:

- (i) The reflection coefficient  
(ii) The transmission coefficient **[6 marks]**

#### Question FIVE

- (a) (i) Describe a varactor multiplier

- (ii) With the aid of I-V characteristics explain its principle of operation

**[8 marks]**

- (b) (i) Discuss the operation of ruby laser

- (i) State its application.

**[10 marks]**

- (c) State THREE major differences between TWT and klystron.

**[2 marks]**