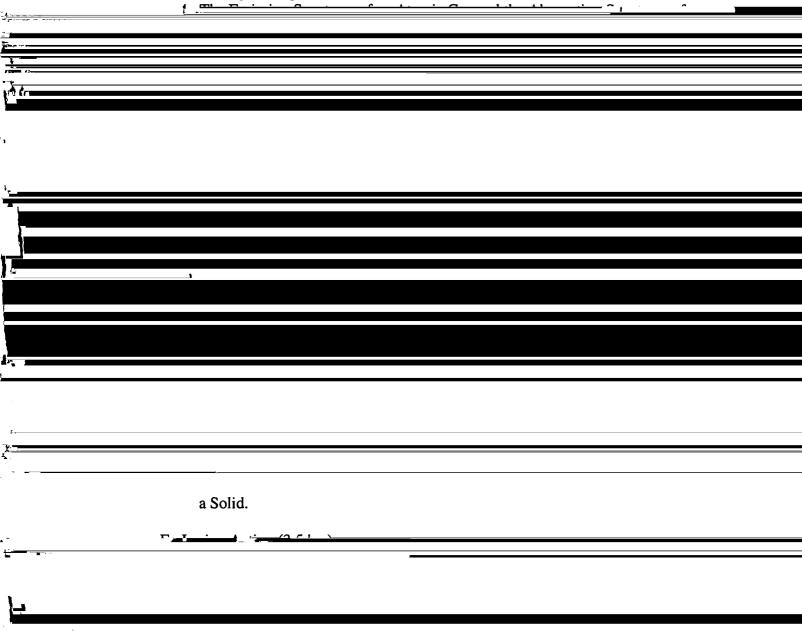


- B. Introduction to Laser Safety (2 hrs)
 - 1. Physiological Effects
 - 2. American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Standards.
- C. Optical Power Meter (2 hrs)
 - 1. Relationship Between the Power and the Irradiance of the Laser.
 - 2. Wavelength Calibration curves.
- D. Emission and Absorption of Light (3 hrs)
 - 1. Bohr Theory of the Atom
 - 2. Units of Energy: Wavenumber, Erg, Joule, Electron Volt, Reciprocal Centimeter
 - 3. Absorption, Spontaneous Emission, and Stimulated Emission of a Photon



1. Normal Population Distribution and Population Inversion.

- 1. Energy-Level Diagram of a HeNe Laser and the Energy-Transfer Processes in the Active Medium.
- 2. Suppression of Unwanted Laser Lines.
- 3 Gas Ratio and Pressure
- 4. Optimization of Tube Current.
- 5. Electrical Characteristics of Gas Discharges.
- 6. Feedback Mechanism and Output Coupler.

Testing (2 hrs)

III-B. Course Outline for Labs (14 labs, 3 hours per lab)

- A. Introduction (1 lab)
 - 1. Lab Safety
 - 2. Lab Practice
 - 3. Technical Writing
 - a. Notebooks
 - b. Lab Reports
 - 4. Rules and Regulations

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- E. Emission and Absorption of Light (1.5 labs)
 - 1. Using a spectroscope observe and measure the wavelengths of the emission spectra of Helium, Hydrogen, Neon, and Mercury.
 - 2. Using Bohr's Theory of the Atom Compare the Experimental and Theoretical Results for Hydrogen and Helium.
 - 3. Using an incandescent light bulb and a spectroscope measure the absorption spectrum of a Nd:YAG Laser Rod and a Nd:Glass rod.
- F. Measurement of Output Parameters of Pulsed Lasers (1 lab).
 - 1. Using a HeNe laser, a light chopper, a light detector, a power meter, and an oscilloscope make the following measurements:
 - a. The time between pulses.
 - b. The full width of the pulse at half maximum height.
 - c. The average power.
 - d. Change the pulse repetition rate and repeat the above measurements.
- G. Spatial Characteristics of Lasers (1.5 labs).
 - 1. Beam Diameter by Transmission Through an Aperture.
 - 2. Beam Diameter by Scanning Beam Profile
 - a. Scan the beam with a small-aperture, fiber-optic probe and plot the beam profile.
 - b. Find the beam diameter by measuring the distance between $1/e^2$ points on the graph.
- H. Laser Applications (3 labs)
 - 1. Reflective laser audio design maker
 - 2. Laser pulse viewer.
 - 3. Reflective-light wheel-alignment device.
 - 4. Reflective-light electroscope.
 - 5. Reflective-light galvanometer.
 - 6. Pulse width modulation
 - 7. Distance measurements.

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- 3. Electro-Optics Catalogs: e.g., Newport, Melles Griot, and Edmond
- 4. Handouts

VI. Special resource requirements

None

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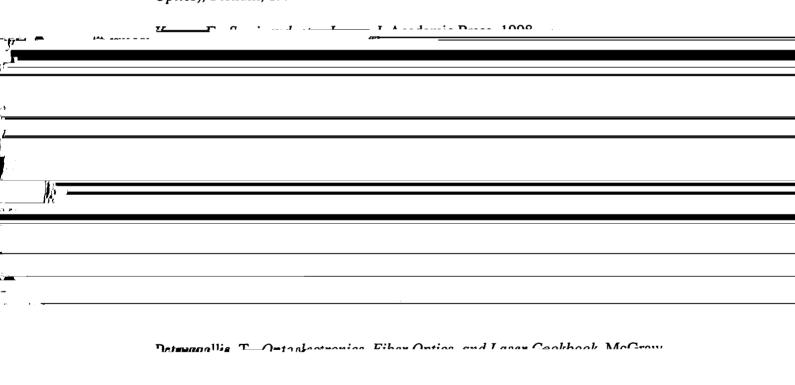
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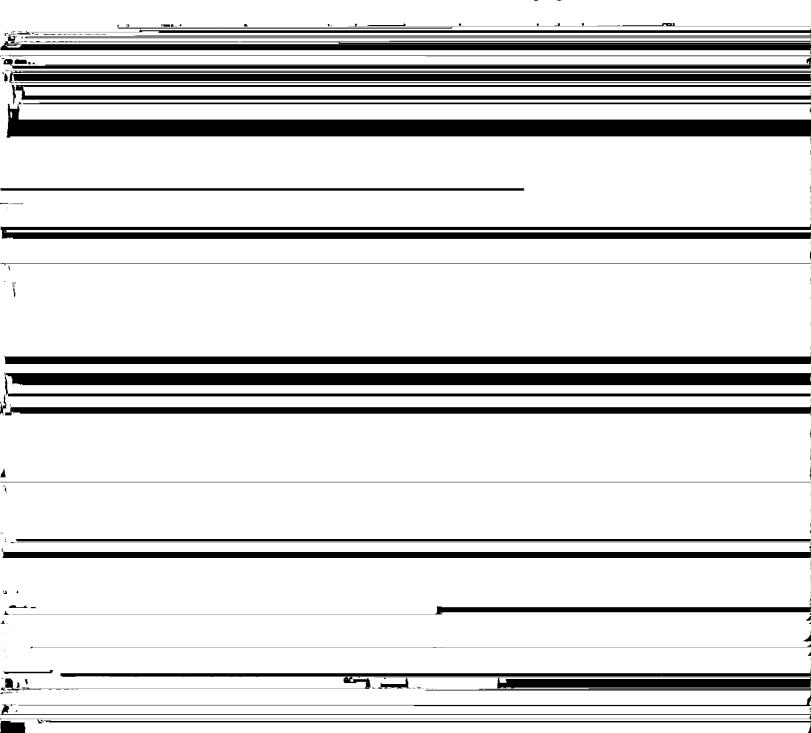
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Section A: Details of the Course

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