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The Tunable Lasers and Applications Conference was held in Loen, Norway, on June 6-11, 1976. This conference dealt with the technology of tunable lasers from the vacuum ultraviolet to the far infrared and their application in the areas of photochemistry, chemical kinetics, isotope separation, atmospheric photochemistry and environmental studies, photobiology, and spectroscopy. The need for such a conference grew out of the rapidly

expanding use of tunable lasers in a broad range of disciplines. The conference was attended by 130 scientists representing Japan, Italy, West Germany, Canada, Israel, France, England, Norway, Sweden, Brazil, Denmark, Finland, the Netherlands, the Soviet Union, and the United States. The location of the conference in Loen, Nordfjord, was chosen because of the magnificent beauty of its aqua-blue fjords surrounded by glacier-capped mountains and lush green hillsides. The Alexandra Hotel was a perfect host for such a conference with first class services, superb smorgasbord, and excellent audio-visual facilities. The atmosphere was free of distractions and provided for a relaxed interchange of ideas. An afternoon hike was arranged to the Briksdal glacier while the highlight of the outdoor activities was a bus-

ship excursion to the magestically splendid Geiranger fjord. A sumptuous banquet was followed by an interesting and entertaining illustrated talk on high-speed and underwater photography by Professor Harold Edgerton from MIT. Financial support from our sponsors is gratefully acknowledged in helping to make this conference a complete success.

Tunable External Cavity Diode Lasers  
CRC Press

The Workshop on Tunable Solid State Lasers for Remote Sensing was held at Stanford University in October 1984 to assess the state of the art in tunable solid state lasers for remote sensing from satellite platforms. The value of conducting global remote sensing measurements of atmospheric chemistry, climate, and weather in the 1990s is now established. What is not yet defined, however, is the status of the developing

tunable laser technology that must meet both the scientific requirements and the space platform constraints. This workshop was convened by the Office of Aeronautics and Space Technology (OAST) of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) to assess the status and progress in tunable solid state laser sources for remote sensing. The workshop was organized to facilitate information exchange across a number of technologies from remote sensing requirements to crystal growth of the materials important for the development of the tunable laser sources. The emphasis was on the recent developments in tunable solid state laser sources necessary to meet the future transmitter requirements for global remote sensing. A goal of the workshop was to form recommendations to NASA on the current and future prospects for solid state laser technology that will allow remote sensing measurements from air, shuttle, and free-flying satellite platforms. The emphasis was on solid state laser sources because they offer the best potential for meeting the demanding requirements of compact size, good efficiency, and long operational lifetimes required for future space station and free-flying platform operation.

Proceedings of the OSA Topical

Meeting, Rippling River Resort, Zigzag, Oregon, June 4-6, 1986  
Information Gatekeepers Inc  
A survey of monolithic tunable semiconductor lasers, including applications in optical communication systems. The text discusses the underlying physics, operational principles and performance and applications of tunable laser diodes, covering tuning mechanisms, properties and laser structures.

Tunable Lasers for Waste Management Photochemistry Applications Springer Science & Business Media

In June 1984 a conference on visible and IR tunable solid-state lasers was held in La Jolla, California. The proceedings were published as the first volume of this series, *Tunable Solid State Lasers* \*. The emphasis of this meeting focused on discerning unified themes in the generic areas of: - Laser host/dopant identification and growth procedures, - Theoretical analysis to elucidate fundamental tunable laser principles, - Experimental investigations on laser spectroscopy to which theoretical analyses and models

can be anchored, and - Auxiliary technology developments in efficient laser pumping sources (diodes, flashlamps). Subsequent to the La Jolla conference, two topical meetings were held, co-sponsored by the Lasers and Electro-Optics Society of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, and the Optical Society of America (OSA). The contents of *Tunable Solid-State Lasers II* comprise the proceedings of the second of these two, held at Rippling River Resort, Zigzag, Oregon, June 4-6, 1986. In addition to the four areas of attention in the La Jolla meeting, papers on color-center and new rare-earth lasers, and on nonlinear frequency shifting were also given. In a fashion similar to the previous meetings, the informal atmosphere of the conference and meeting site was conducive to constructive interaction among the attendees. A total of 54 papers were scheduled for presentation, 20 of which were invited and 34 contributed.

**Tunable Laser Light Source** Springer

This book attempts to survey the entire field of tunable lasers in a single volume, for the first time ; however, dye lasers are omitted, as are tunable lead salt diode lasers.

*New Tunable Lasers for Potential Use in*

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### *LIDAR Systems Tunable Lasers*

A practical book with a variety of uses, this book can help applications engineers spark problem-solving techniques through the use of lasers. *Industrial Application of Lasers, Second Edition* takes the reader through laser fundamentals, unusual properties of laser light, types of practical lasers available, and commonly used accessory equipment. The book also applies this information to existing and developing applications. Current uses of lasers, including laser welding and cutting, electronic fabrication techniques, lightwave communications, laser-based applications in alignment, surveying, and metrology are all covered as well as discussing the potential for future applications such as all-optical computers, remote environmental monitoring, and laser-assisted thermonuclear fusion. Explains basic laser fundamentals as well as emphasizing how lasers are used for real applications in industry Describes the importance of laser safety Discusses potentially important future applications such as remote environmental monitoring Includes rare expert lore and opinion

*Nano-electromechanical Optoelectronic Tunable Lasers* World Scientific

In recent years there has been renewed interest in the scientific and industrial communities in

tunable solid state vibronic lasers. Much of this has been spurred by the user desirous of obtaining compact primary laser sources (independent of nonlinear optical frequency shifts) throughout the visible and near infra-red spectral regions. To further motivate and stimulate research and development in this area, workshops sponsored by the Laser Division of the US Army Night Vision Electro-Optics Laboratory (NVEOL) at Fort Belvoir, Virginia were held during 1-3 April 1981 and 16-17 June 1983 at Keystone and NVEOL, respectively. The consensus of opinion of the participants at these workshops was that any successful program leading to the identification and development of vibronic tunable laser materials in the visible and IR must include coordinated activity between crystal growers, theoretical and experimental investigators into the fundamental processes of vibronic lasing, and laser device engineers. Continued interaction between government, industry, and academia was encouraged in order to establish a unified approach to these areas and, when necessary, redefine and redirect programmatic activity. The organization of this 1st Annual Conference on Tunable Solid State Lasers held at the La Jolla Institute 13-15 June 1984, was based around the latest results in tunable vibronic materials and laser development, but structured in a manner consistent with the recommendations of the NVEOL workshops.

### **Tunable Lasers** Springer

Broadly tunable lasers have had, and

continue to have, an enormous impact in many and diverse fields of science and technology. From a renaissance in spectroscopy to laser guide stars and laser cooling, the nexus is the tunable laser. *Tunable Laser Optics* offers a transparent and comprehensive treatment of the physics of tunable laser optics based on a detailed description of first principles. Authored by a leading expert in the field, the book covers the optics and optical principles needed to build lasers, the optics instrumentation necessary to characterize laser emission, and laser-based optical instrumentation, addressing key topics such as Dirac's notation, the interferometric equation, the uncertainty principle, pulse compression, and tunable narrow-linewidth lasers. This revised, expanded, and improved Second Edition: Contains new and additional material on tunable lasers and quantum optics Explains the first principles of tunable laser optics in a clear and concise manner Presents an explicit exposition of the relevant theory, without the use of shortcuts Employs numerous examples, case studies, and figures to illustrate important concepts Includes carefully designed

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**Lasers for Medical Applications** CRC Press  
Laser Diode Microsystems provides the reader with the basic knowledge and understanding required for using semiconductor laser diodes in optical microsystems and micro-optical electromechanic systems. This tutorial addresses the fundamentals of semiconductor laser operation and design, coupled with an overview of the types of laser diodes suitable for use in Microsystems, along with their distinguishing characteristics. Emphasis is placed on laser diode characterization and measurement as well as the assembly techniques and optical accessories required for incorporation of semiconductor lasers into complex microsystems. Equipped with typical results and calculation examples, this hand-on text helps readers to develop a feel for how to choose a

laser diode, characterize it and incorporate it into a microsystem.

**Distributed Feedback Laser Diodes and Optical Tunable Filters** Elsevier

*Tunable Lasers* Springer Science & Business Media

*Advances in Optical and Photonic Devices* Information Gatekeepers Inc

Ever since the invention of the laser itself, the spectroscopist has dreamed of lasers that could be tuned continuously over whatever set of resonances he wished to study. Two developments of the mid-1960s - the optical parametric oscillator and the dye laser - were the first to begin to fulfill that dream. The cw dye laser, with its ability to produce extremely narrow linewidths, was particularly successful and revitalized the study of atomic physics.

Other, complementary developments soon followed. These included the excimer, color center, and high pressure gas lasers, as well as Raman shifting and four wave mixing techniques for further extending the tuning ranges of such primary tunable laser sources. By the end of the 1970s, continuously or quasi-continuously tunable coherent sources were thus available for the

visible and the near infrared, and a good part of the ultraviolet and the far infrared.

Despite the existence of a number of excellent treatises on individual technologies, to the best of our knowledge, no one has yet attempted to survey the entire field of tunable lasers in a single volume. The purpose of this book is to fill that void. It is particularly aimed at those who are not necessarily laser experts, but who may wish to discover quickly and with a minimum of effort the best technology to satisfy a particular problem, and what the possibilities and limitations of that technology are.

**Tunable Laser Applications, Second Edition** Springer Science & Business Media

Broadly tunable lasers continue to have a tremendous impact in many and diverse fields of science and technology. From a renaissance in laser spectroscopy to Bose-Einstein condensation, the one nexus is the tunable laser. *Tunable Laser Applications* describes the physics and architectures of widely applied tunable laser sources. Fully updated and ex

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Edition provides valuable insight into the optics and the trade-offs involved in the design and construction of tunable lasers and optical devices. It makes an ideal textbook for advanced undergraduate-level and graduate-level optics courses for physics and engineering students, as well as a handy reference for researchers and experimentalists.

*Tunable External Cavity Diode Lasers* CRC Press  
A laser diode and a fiber Bragg grating can be used to construct a tunable laser light source. This new tunable laser has a central wavelength of 682.6 nm (red light) and a bandwidth less than one twentieth of one nanometer. It is tunable over a range greater than five nanometers. Tunable light sources have applications in fundamental research such as noise studies in optical amplifiers and high precision spectroscopy, as well as applications in optical engineering, including communications and LIDAR systems. Although tunable lasers exist for these purposes now, this new tunable laser has a unique construction. It contains a laser diode, which is a semiconductor pn junction diode that emits coherent light once a sufficient drive current is supplied, and an in-fiber Bragg grating that is used to modify the output of the laser diode. The grating provides additional feedback to the laser diode at the wavelength of the grating's Bragg condition. The combined system lasers at this wavelength. Tuning is accomplished by straining the grating within its fiber and thus changing the wavelength of its Bragg condition. This strain is

evolved by embedding the grating in a composite beam and deflecting the beam.

### Tunable Solid-State Lasers II Elsevier

Optical communications networks are becoming increasingly important as there is demand for high capacity links. Dense wavelength division multiplexing (DWDM) is widely deployed at the core networks to accommodate high capacity transport systems. Optical components such as optical amplifiers, tunable filters, transceivers, termination devices and add-drop multiplexers are becoming more reliable and affordable. Access and metropolitan area networks are increasingly built with optical technologies to overcome the electronic bottleneck at network edges. New components and subsystems for very high speed optical networks offer new design options. The proceedings of the First International Conference on Optical Communications and Networks present high quality recent research results in the areas of optical communications, network components, architectures, protocols, planning, design, management and operation.

**Tunable Lasers Handbook** CRC Press

Many laser applications depend on the ability of a particular laser to be frequency tunable. Among the many different types of frequency tunable lasers are: dye lasers, excimer lasers, and semiconductor lasers. This book gives active researchers and engineers the practical information they need to choose an appropriate tunable laser for their particular applications. Presents a unified and integrated perspective on tunable lasers Includes sources spanning the electromagnetic spectrum from the UV to the FIR Contains 182 figures and 68 tables Provides coverage of optical parametric oscillators and tunable gas, liquid, solid state, and semiconductor lasers

*Proceedings of the NASA Conference  
Stanford University, Stanford, USA,  
October 1–3, 1984* Information  
Gatekeepers Inc

This work details tunable laser applications of broad interest, historical significance and potential future value. Atomic and molecular spectroscopy, interferometry, lightening triggering, imaging, laser radar, lidar and gyroscopes are discussed. The work focuses on various sources of coherent radiation such as optical parametric oscillators, external cavity semiconductors lasers, and dye, gas, CO<sub>2</sub>, ultrashort-pulse and free-electron lasers.

*Laser Photochemistry, Tunable Lasers, and*

*Other Topics* Society of Photo Optical  
Advances in optical fibre based communications systems have played a crucial role in the development of the information highway. By offering a single mode oscillation and narrow spectral output, distributed feedback (DFB) semiconductor laser diodes offer excellent optical light sources as well as optical filters for fibre based communications and dense wavelength division multiplexing (DWDM) systems. This comprehensive text focuses on the basic working principles of DFB laser diodes and optical filters and details the development of a new technique for enhanced system performance.

Considers the optical waveguiding characteristics and properties of semiconductor materials and the physics of DFB semiconductor lasers. Presents a powerful modelling technique based on the transfer matrix method which can be used to improve the design of laser diodes, optical fibres and amplifiers. Examines the effect of the various corrugation shapes on the coupling coefficients and lasing characteristics of DFB laser diodes.

Technical advice to improve immunity

against the spatial hole burning effect.

Extensive referencing throughout and a comprehensive glossary of symbols and abbreviations. Suitable for both introductory and advanced levels This is an indispensable textbook for undergraduate and postgraduate students of electrical and electronic engineering and physics as it consolidates their knowledge in this rapidly growing field. As a technical guide for the structural design of DFB laser diodes and optical filters, the book will serve as an invaluable reference for researchers in optoelectronics, and semiconductor device physics.

*Fundamentals of Fiber Lasers and Fiber Amplifiers* Artech House on Demand

Tunability has added an important dimension to a variety of laser devices and led to new systems and applications. From laser spectroscopy to Bose-Einstein condensation, the one nexus is the tunable laser. Incorporating nine new chapters since the first edition, *Tunable Laser Applications*, Second Edition reflects the significant developments

*Diagnostics, Therapy and Surgery* Springer  
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state-of-the-art of tunable external cavity diode lasers Provides an up-to-date survey on physics, technology, and performance of widely applicable coherent radiation sources of tunable external cavity diode lasers May be used as a textbook for related undergraduate and graduate courses.