

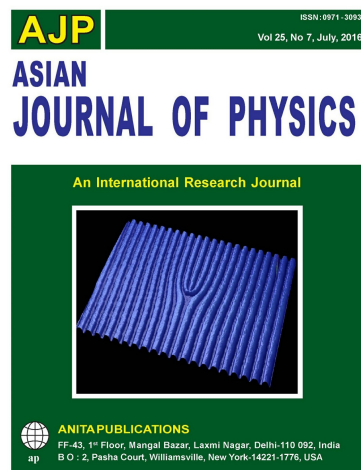


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# Short Note on the SERB school on Optical Metrology conducted in Tezpur By Dr. Shanti Bhattacharya, Department of Electrical Engineering With inputs from Prof (Dr.) Rajpal S. Sirohi, Tezpur University

A SERB school on Optical Metrology was recently conducted by the Department of Physics, Tezpur University. The organizers were Dr. Rajpal S. Sirohi, BRLGB Chair professor, Tezpur University and Dr. Gazi A. Ahmed, Hony Joint Director, SERB. The process for conduct of the school started in 2014 and the first meeting of the Planning Committee for the school, the speakers and other relevant points were decided in that meeting. Approval for the school was given on 1<sup>st</sup> to June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

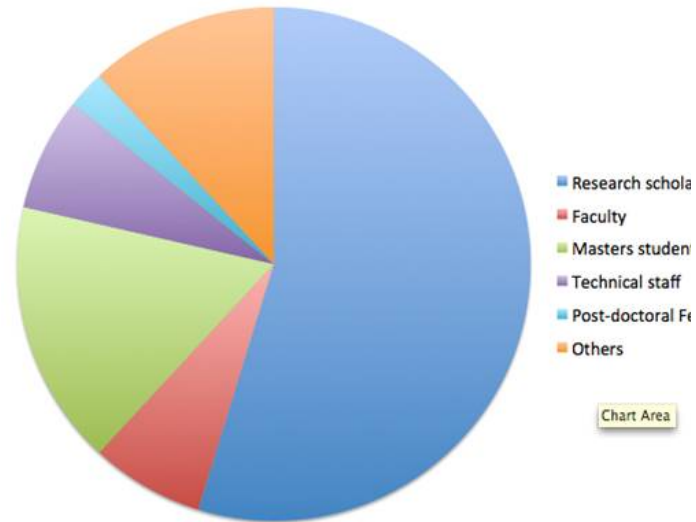


Fig 1. Background of participants

From the applications, a committee shortlisted 50 candidates for the school, which finally had 30 participants as shown in fig.1, most participants were research scholars. Also, although the majority was from Assam, participants came from various states across the country, as seen in the bar chart of fig 2.

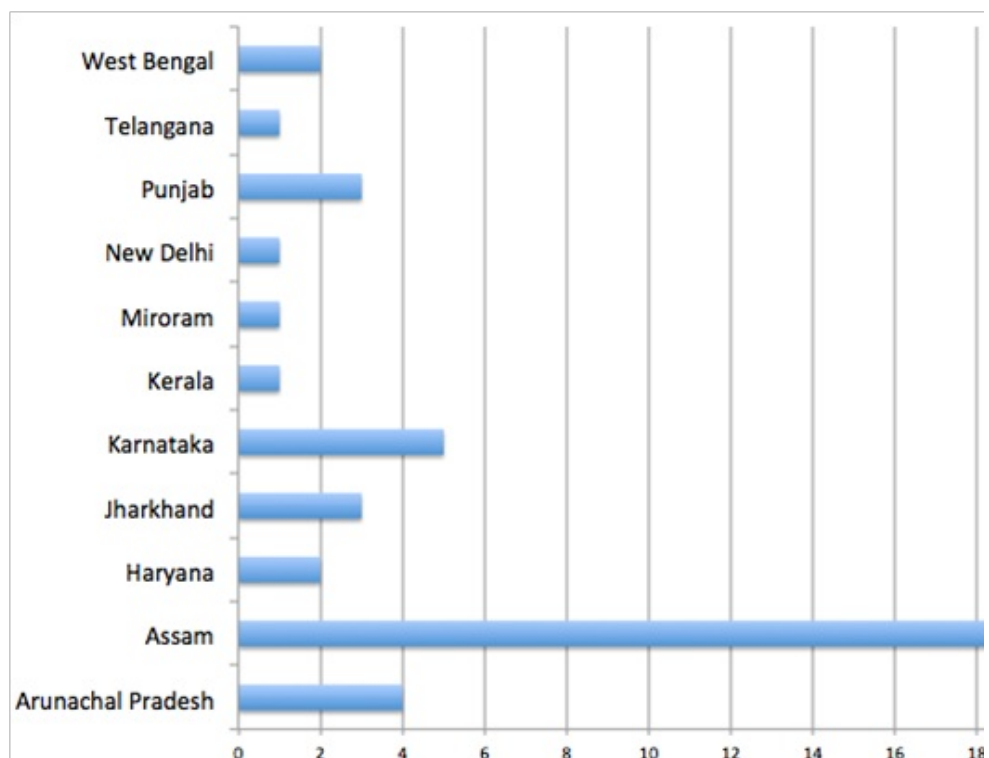


Fig 2. States from which participants attended

The school was conducted six days a week with lectures from 9 am till 4pm, after which there was a discussion. I had the privilege of teaching at this school on 18<sup>th</sup> June and was pleased to find the students' classes and lab sessions. This could be attributed to the high quality of teachers and topics covered, like IIT Delhi (Kehar Singh, Chandra Shakher, P. Senthilkumaran), IIT Guwahati (Bosanta Bandyopadhyay, Shanti Bhattacharya), Calcutta University (L. N. Hazra) and Tezpur University (R. S. Sirohi, Pabitra Kumar Swami) as well as from government research labs such as IRDE, Dehradun (A. K. Gupta and Amitava Ghosh).

The topics within the field of Optical Metrology were diverse and ranged from sources & detectors with fibre optics, MEMS, Vortex beams and metrology of biological systems, to mention just a few. One unique feature of this school was that students were given time to present their research to fellow attendees and the school's directors.

All in all, this was a well-organised and useful school that will benefit its participants in both the short and long term.

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## **Spatial light modulator based Fresnel incoherent correlation holography**

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The ever-going progress of spatial light modulators (SLMs) technology greatly contributes to the development of optical recorders. In this review paper, the role of these devices in Fresnel incoherent correlation holography (FINCH) in the last decade is described and discussed; emphasis is given to the SLM part in the system. © Anita Publications. All rights reserved.

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## **Graphene: A review of optical properties and photonic applications**

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This article gives a brief overview of the broad-range optical response of graphene and its scope. The optical response of single-layer graphene is unique, since it is governed entirely by a fundamental constant of nature, the fine structure constant. The frequency dependence or a dependence on any material properties are noteworthy characteristics of graphene. This is discussed with regard to its peculiar band structure and the massless relativistic nature of its charge carriers. The ability to modulate the optical absorption, since it modifies the position of the Fermi energy in graphene, is also discussed. The evaluation of the optical response of graphene using spectroscopic ellipsometry is discussed.

counterpart of graphene that can be solution-processed. Its optical properties can be varied by optical properties of defected graphene are discussed and the important contribution of confinement is also highlighted. Finally, interesting photonic applications in photodetectors, non-linear combination of unique electronic and optical properties of graphene and its derivatives are summarized.

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## **Focused ion beam milling for the fabrication of beam-shaping**

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Focused ion beam (FIB) milling is a versatile technique for direct fabrication of micro/nano o

substrates for a wide range of applications. The fabrication of fork-shaped gratings (FSGs) and s  
kV Ga<sup>+</sup> ion beam is presented. Scanning electron microscopy images demonstrate the realiz  
plate with good structural quality. The generation of donut beam could be demonstrated by opt  
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## **Integrated optical position sensor for MEM**

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We report on a position sensing system for quasistatic MEMS mirrors using a point source  
position signal is detected by a 4-quadrant-diode and can be used for digital closed-loop cc  
sampling frequency of 500 ksps. The whole detection system is miniaturized and integrated ir  
beam path as well as the amplifier circuit of the 4-quadrant-diode. © Anita Publications. All righ  
**Keywords:** MEMS, Scanning mirrors, Beam steering, closed loop control, 4-quadrant diode.

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## **Tunable optical submicron structures based c**

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Tunable, active, adaptive and variable optics has experienced a steep development during the  
the individual segments of, for example large mirror were actuated individually by mechanical  
optical elements. Soft matter brings along with it a wealth of effects that are new in the field c  
time an introductory tutorial and a short review, describes the current status in a sub-field of tu  
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## Percolation threshold gold films on columnar coatings: characterization and optical properties

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Percolation of gold films of ~ 15 nm thickness was controlled to achieve the largest openings nm-thick films of nanostructured porous and columnar SiO<sub>2</sub>, TiO<sub>2</sub> and MgF<sub>2</sub> which were deposited by sol-gel film formation and ambient pressure. The gold films were tested for SERS performance using a self-assembled monolayer on gold. The phase retardation of these SERS substrates was up to 180° and measured by Stokes polarimetry. The SERS intensity on gold percolation films can reach ~ 10<sup>3</sup> times side excitation through the substrate has shown the presence of an additional SERS enhancement mechanism. Publications. All rights reserved.

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## Variability of gratings manufactured by interferometry

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Diffraction gratings are utilized in many high-end optical systems, including high-resolution extreme ultraviolet lithography, and high-power ultrashort laser pulse shaping. The grating substrate geometry, grating profiles, diffraction efficiency, and scattered light level. In this versatile and well-adapted fabrication technology, even for today's most demanding specific geometry, exposure setup, exposure, development, etching, and scattering measurement are demonstrated by realizing spectroscopic gratings with reduced scattered light, a grazing-incidence efficiency of up to 32%, and highly dispersive pulse compression gratings reaching up to 96% efficiency.

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## Efficiency-achromatized reflective dispersion grating by a double-blazed structure: Theoretical conditions for optimal material selection

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Blazed gratings are key components both for imaging and for spectrally analyzing optical systems towards wavelength variations. Double-blazed gratings overcome this disadvantage but have complex geometries. Here we present a systematical theoretical analysis of the diffraction efficiency of double-blazed gratings to find appropriate conditions for a systematical material selection to achieve efficiency-achromatized dispersion parameters such as the Abbe's number and relative partial dispersion of the material as shallow as possible. Therefore, appropriate material combinations which are suitable for spectroscopy are presented. Publications. All rights reserved.

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### **Micro-Optics for Biomimetic Vision Systems**

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Mobile phone cameras are a flagship feature of a flagship device. Customers will always opt for the smallest camera possible. The scaling law of optics and the related space bandwidth product (SBP) describe the difficulties to further miniaturize camera size and thickness. The demand for higher and higher image quality of mobile phone camera sensor systems. When a vision system needs to be very small, very fast or has to operate with a very small depth of field, nature has struggled with the scaling law of optics since more than 500 million years. Nature has developed various strategies for miniaturization of mobile phone vision systems. © Anita Publications. All rights reserved.

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The integrated optoelectronics research group at IIT Madras has been active since 2007 with excellence for silicon photonics research. The core research theme involves novel designs, Characterization and subsequent experimental demonstrations leading towards cost-effective, energy-efficient devices for various applications. As of now, various prototype devices like power splitters, ITU channel filters, etc. have been demonstrated.



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Diffraction gratings are utilized in many high-end optical systems, including high-resolution extreme ultraviolet lithography, and high-power ultrashort laser pulse shaping. The grating substrate geometry, grating profiles, diffraction efficiency, and scattered light level. In this versatile and well-adapted fabrication technology, even for today's most demanding specific geometry, exposure setup, exposure, development, etching, and scattering measurement are demonstrated by realizing spectroscopic gratings with reduced scattered light, a grazing-incidence efficiency of up to 32%, and highly dispersive pulse compression gratings reaching up to 96% ef

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