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Ph.D., Opto-Electronic Devices Group, Eindhoven University of Technology, the Netherlands, 2008. *Thesis Topic*: Integrated Wavelength Division Multiplexing Receivers.

M.Sc., Electrical Eng. (telecommunication Eng.), Tarbiat Modarres University, Tehran, Iran, 1994. *Thesis Topic*: Propagation of the electromagnetic waves in the plasma media.

B.Sc., Electrical Eng. (Communication Eng.), Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran, 1990. *Project Topic*: Design of the E-H plane horn antenna.



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- 58. Master Thesis Titled "Propagation of Electromagnetic Waves in Plasma Media", Teheran, Iran, 1994.

Design, processing and characterization of photonic devices:

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- 2. Experience in the clean room environment for about 5 years based on InP technology: lithography, PECVD machine for the deposition of SiN, RIE machine, SEM machine, optimization of the processing, etc.
- 3. Experience with optical and microwave equipments: lightwave component analyzer, vector network analyzer, pulse response setup, BER and eye diagram setup, static and dynamic characterization of SOA, photodetector, AWG, laser, etc.

Academic Activities:

- 1. Researcher at Eindhoven University of Technology, Eindhoven, the Netherlands, Since 2000-2008.
- 2. Lecturer in department of Electronic Eng., Faculty of Electrical and Computer Eng., Kashan University, Kashan, Iran, 1995-2000 & 2008-now.
- 3. Vice director of Faculty of Eng., Kashan University, 1996-1997.
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Academic Honors and Awards:

- 1. Received the best article award in the first National Conference on Optic and Laser, Iran.
- 2. Received the best poster award in the 2nd National Conference on Optic and Laser, Iran.
- 3. Received the best researcher award at Kashan University, 2013.

Computer Software Skills:

Advanced Design Systems (ADS), COMSOL, OPTIWAVE, FIMMWAVE, LUMERICAL, MATLAB, FORTRAN, Pascal and general softwares.

Subjects Lectured:

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