Arch 463 ECS Fall 2004

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FINAL

#### 40 Multiple Choice Questions



## Part 1—Review Questions on material covered in Midterms I & II

1. The standard comfort zone on the bioclimatic or psychrometric chart represents conditions in which

- A. 100% of the people are comfortable
- B. about 80% of the people are comfortable
- C. half of the people are comfortable
- D. about 20% of the people are comfortable

2. Adaptive comfort theory professes that during the summer in a naturally ventilated building

- A. occupants will be comfortable at higher temperatures than in winter
- B. only occupants from hot climates will be comfortable
- C. the standard comfort zone must be adjusted for clo levels
- D. none of the above
- 3. The main reason for Seattle's mild climate is
  - A. its latitude
  - B. its proximity to water
  - C. its proximity to the mountains
  - D. its prevailing winds

- 4. Which microclimatic effect is most influenced by night sky radiation
  - A. the valley effect
  - B. the water body effect
  - C. the city effect
  - D. none of the above
- 5. The data loggers and handheld instruments used for site analysis at Virgil Phillips Park
  - A. helped gain an absolute understanding of site conditions
  - B. helped identify prevailing wind directions
  - C. helped understand trends and differences on the site
  - D. all of the above
- 6. The sun angle calculator is a good tool for
  - A. designing shading devices for all orientations
  - B. designing shading devices for south-facing windows
  - C. determining solar access on a site
  - D. describing your building's solar envelope
- 7. Computer-based solar analysis tools like the Solar Tool are attractive because
  - A. they deal with complex geometry easily
  - B. they are more accurate than any other method
  - C. a range of "what if" scenarios can be examined easily
  - D. all of the above
- 8. A balance point temperature lower than the outdoor temperature indicates
  - A. the building requires heating
  - B. the building requires cooling
  - C. the building requires economizer cooling
  - D. it's an internal load dominated building

9. The reason that a weather-stripped single-pane window seems to cause cold drafts on a cold day is

A. cold air leaks through the glass

- B. conductive heat loss causes it to have a low surface temperature
- C. radiant losses to the night sky are severe
- D. all of the above
- 10. On the summer solstice at latitudes above the Arctic Circle, the sun rises
  - A. due east
  - B. north of due east
  - C. south of due east
  - D. not at all—it neither rises nor sets

11. Passive strategies that can help reduce the cooling load of a mid-rise office building in a temperate climate include

- A. external shading
- B. daylighting
- C. night-flush ventilation
- D. all of the above

12. When designing a building for stack ventilation, you might consider using

- A. stair towers
- B. an atrium
- C. heat recovery ventilation towers
- D. all of the above



"I cut the wood, the kids helped carry it in, but Howard ends up enjoying it the most."

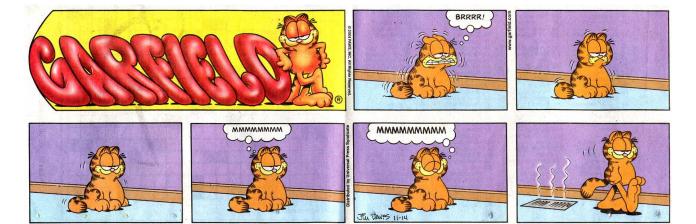
- 13. Thermal mass is effective in controlling temperatures in a building because
  - A. it releases cool air during the day
  - B. it releases warm air at night
  - C. both of the above
  - D. it absorbs radiation from warmer objects and radiates to cooler objects
- 14. The best window configuration for a west-facing wall of an office building is
  - A. a commercial low-e curtain wall
  - B. a horizontal band of clerestory windows with an external horizontal shading device
  - C. a series of 3.5' x 3.5' punched windows with external horizontal and vertical shading
  - D. several narrow vertical windows with reflective bronze glazing
- 15. You'd expect a new passive solar house in Moscow to
  - A. be well insulated
  - B. include plenty of thermal mass
  - C. use more total energy than a built to code house
  - D. all of the above
- 16. Indirect passive solar heating is most effective for large office buildings because
  - A. it can offer means to control timing of solar gain
  - B. it can provide heating during the evenings
  - C. these buildings do not require very much heating
  - D. all of the above
- 17. Superinsulated walls are superior to code-insulated walls because
  - A. their surface temperature is usually closer to room temperature
  - B. vapor barriers can be installed deep enough into the wall to retain integrity
  - C. they lose less heat in winter and gain less in summer
  - D. all of the above

- 18. The glazing that is the most effective shading device is
  - A. silica aero-gel glass
  - B. blue-green glass
  - C. 80% fritted glass
  - D. bronze reflective glass
- 19. Double skin walls are effective because they
  - A. contain protected external shading devices
  - B. can be integrated into the natural ventilation scheme
  - C. provide thermal and acoustic buffers between inside and outside
  - D. all of the above
- 20. A building that is LEED certified
  - A. is more energy-efficient than a current code compliant building
  - B. is sustainable
  - C. is beautiful
  - D. all of the above

## Part 2—Questions on New Material

- 21. The best approach to designing intelligent buildings is
  - A. the American approach
  - B. the Japanese approach
  - C. the European approach
  - D. an appropriate combination of two or more approaches
- 22. Intelligent building is concerned with
  - A. technology that solves building management problems
  - B. occupant issues that include the thermal, acoustic, and visual environments
  - C. building massing and orientation in response to environmental forces
  - D. all of the above
- 23. A fireplace with a heatalator delivers heat to its room's occupants by
  - A. convection
  - B. radiation
  - C. both of the above
  - D. none of the above
- 24. Modern high-efficiency furnaces are most efficient when
  - A. combustion air is piped directly into the firebox
  - B. exhaust air is so cool a plastic flue can be used
  - C. both of the above
  - D. none of the above

- 25. Radiant floors
  - A. were used by the ancient Greeks and Koreans
  - B. can use either air or water as the heat delivery medium
  - C. can use solar energy to provide heating
  - D. all of the above
- 26. In order to minimize the size of the HVAC system, design the building to
  - A. have no more than 5 thermal zones
  - B. take advantage of daylight, natural ventilation, and solar heating
  - C. require the use of displacement ventilation
  - D. all of the above
- 27. A contemporary 4-story, mixed-use building on an infill lot in Minneapolis is a candidate for
  - A. a geo-exchange system
  - B. a direct expansion system
  - C. a multi-sense system
  - D. any of the above
- 28. The major advantage of a hybrid air/water dual duct high velocity system is
  - A. reduced noise
  - B. reduced duct size
  - C. the use of an energy wheel
  - D. all of the above
- 29. The best place for a cooling tower for an urban building is
  - A. on the roof top
  - B. in one of the mechanical floors
  - C. in a park or plaza close to the building
  - D. none of the above
- 30. For a twenty-story building, you should plan for
  - A. at least 4 mechanical floors
  - B. three mechanical floors
  - C. mechanical floors in the basement and at the roof top
  - D. individual mechanical units at each level



- 31. HVAC components can be integrated with a building's
  - A. stair towers
  - B. structural system
  - C. aesthetics
  - D. all of the above
- 32. A building that demonstrates a clear example of aesthetic HVAC ductwork integration is
  - A. Boston City Hall
  - B. Richards Labs at Penn
  - C. Kansai International Airport
  - D. The Pompidou Centre
- 33. If the wet bulb temperature equals the dry bulb temperature,
  - A. the relative humidity is 0%
  - B. the relative humidity is 100%
  - C. water will evaporate
  - D. none of the above
- 34. When plotting the heating of air on the psychrometric chart
  - A. the plotted line will eventually intersect the dew point
  - B. the relative humidity remains constant
  - C. the humidity ratio remains constant
  - D. the enthalpy remains constant
- 35. Mechanical cooling systems are designed to
  - A. remove sensible heat
  - B. remove latent heat
  - C. remove sensible and latent heat
  - D. change the enthalpy

36. An appropriate mechanical cooling system for a mid-sized commercial building using a VAV HVAC system in a humid temperate climate is

- A. absorption cooling
- B. compression cooling
- C. evaporative cooling
- D. either A or B above
- 37. Sick building syndrome can be caused by
  - A. leaky flat roofs
  - B. excessive humidity
  - C. off-gassing of toxic fumes
  - D. all of the above

- 38. Ventilation to reduce the chance of SBS occurring can be accomplished by
  - A. operable windows
  - B. whole building fans
  - C. heat recovery ventilators
  - D. all of the above
- 39. The type of elevator that requires a mechanical penthouse is
  - A. hydraulic
  - B. electric traction
  - C. platform
  - D. all of the above

#### 40. The elevator in Pei's pyramidal addition to the Louvre is

- A. hydraulic with a hidden tank room
- B. traction with hidden penthouse
- C. a new invention
- D. none of the above

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