Arch 464 ECS Final Exam Spring 2008

40 Multiple Choice Questions—Select the best answer for each one.

New Questions

- 1. On most sites in the Pacific Northwest 100% of a building's energy can be provided every day on-site by,
 - A. a roof-top photovoltaic array
 - B. residential scale wind turbines
 - C. a micro-hydro generator
 - D. none of the above
- 2. A project that was planned to fully exploit on-site energy sources to achieve energy independence is
 - A. Bill Dunster's BedZED
 - B. Mike Reynolds' earthships
 - C. Ul's McCall Field Campus Carbon-Neutral Design/Build project
 - D. all of the above
- 3. In the last 40 years the First Law efficiency of the US economy as a whole has been about
 - A. 90%
 - B. 55%
 - C. 45%
 - D. 25%
- 4. The fossil fuel that has the most potential for accelerating contribution to greenhouse gas buildup causing global climate change is
 - A. coal
 - B. natural gas
 - C. gasoline
 - D. all of the above
- 5. Currently, the most cost-effective means of providing non-carbon emitting energy generation is
 - A. wind power
 - B. photovoltaics
 - C. hydro-electric power
 - D. conservation



- 6. Birds are most likely to be killed by
 - A. horizontal axis commercial-scale wind turbines
 - B. vertical axis residential-scale wind turbines
 - C. reflective glass high-rise buildings
 - D. all of the above
- 7. A mid-tone sound's wave length is dependent on
 - A. its distance from the source
 - B. its frequency
 - C. the reflective/absorptive qualities of the room in which it's generated
 - D. all of the above
- 8. A CMU wall will best block an offending sound source if it is placed
 - A. close to the offending sound
 - B. midway between the offending sound and the receiver
 - C. close to the receiver
 - D. either A or C above
- 9. Sound privacy for a small space in a larger room can be achieved by
 - A. increasing the room's reverberation time
 - B. placing a reflective concave dome over the small space
 - C. decreasing the room's reverberation time
 - D. none of the above
- 10. The room that is most likely to have three acoustic fields is
 - A. a large dead room
 - B. a medium-sized neutral room
 - C. a small live room
 - D. none of the above
- 11. The acoustic goal of a library reading room is
 - A. quiet
 - B. silence
 - C. reverberation
 - D. decibel control
- 12. The dBA scale is
 - A. weighted towards human perception of sound
 - B. the primary raw measure of sound intensity
 - C. used to measure musical performance
 - D. accurate for only one octave



A. zero Sabins B. 45 Sabins C. 300 Sabins D. 450 Sabins
14. The behavior of sound in a simple classroom can be modeled with A. a hand-rendered ray diagram B. a physical model C. a computer model D. all of the above
15. If you use a sound source that employes frequencies five times those of speech, you should make your physical acoustic model of a lecture hall A. at full scale B. at 2:1 C. at 5:1 D. at 10:1
 16. The concert hall configuration most likely to require electronic acoustic enhancement is A. the shoebox B. a wide hall C. a surround hall D. none of the above
17. The acoustics of an auditorium can be adjusted to accommodate multiple purposes by A. mechanical devices that adjust its volume B. mechanical devices that change surface acoustic reflectivity C. electronic devices that adjust reverberation time D. all of the above

18. A classic band shell like the one used by Boston Pops assures all audience members

19. An impulse response diagram of a space which has a flutter echo shows

B. pairs of reflected sounds evenly spaced over time

A. receive equal sound intensity B. receive early reflected sound

A. an even degradation of sound over time

C. have good sight lines D. all of the above

C. a distinct acoustic event

D. none of the above

13. The total absorption of the open 30' by 15' back wall of the hall at Tanglewood is

- 20. The composer who designed the hall for performance of his works was
 - A. Handel
 - B. Verdi
 - C. Wagner
 - D. Varèse

Review Questions

- 21. A daylighted building that is a good example of evolution, flexibility, and adaptability is
 - A. Walt Disney Concert Hall in LA
 - B. Musée d'Orsay in Paris
 - C. Riola Church in Italy
 - D. all of the above
- 22. Given a 1257 lumen source in a darkened room, the luminous intensity measures 25 fc at
 - A. 1 foot away
 - B. 2 feet away
 - C. 4 feet away
 - D. 8 feet away
- 23. In a daylighted room the light reflected from an exterior shading device is considered
 - A. external reflected component
 - B. internal reflected component
 - C. sky component
 - D. none of the above
- 24. A daylighted space with a square floor plan illuminated by a single central skylight (10% of the floor area in glazing) would be most successful if it were
 - A. twice as tall as it is wide
 - B. as tall as it is wide
 - C. half as tall as it is wide
 - D. any of the above



- 25. A good program for modeling both illumination and thermal consequences of single wall window options for a rectilinear room is A. ArchiPhysics Daylight B. Daylight 1-2-3 C. Skycalc D. all of the above
- 26. In order to use a physical daylighting model effectively, you must
 - A. test it under partly cloudy skies
 - B. photograph the model
 - C. assure that all construction joints are light tight
 - D. all of the above
- 27. The mirror box artificial sky at the IDL in Boise is most effective at predicting
 - A. sun penetration
 - B. sunny day daylight factors
 - C. illumination on a cloudy day
 - D. all of the above
- 28. Your standard incandescent bedside lamp just burned out. Your valid excuse for not replacing it with an electronic ballast compact fluorescent lamp is
 - A. poor color rendering
 - B. excessive first cost
 - C. visible flicker
 - D. none of the above
- 29. A lamp's photometric curve is important because
 - A. it gives the illuminance of the lamp at different angles
 - B. it helps a designer visualize light distribution from the fixture
 - C. it's necessary in all hand methods for calculating illumination levels in a space
 - D. all of the above
- 30. The illumination level recommendations given by the IES that best align with office workers' actual needs were offered in
 - A. 1936
 - B. 1960
 - C. 2005
 - D. all of the above
- 31. Global warming will cause water supply
 - A. to become more plentiful
 - B. to become more problematic
 - C. to become less plentiful
 - D. to stay about the same

- 32. The fixture that eliminates black water is
 - A. a composting toilet
 - B. a waterless urinal
 - C. an ultra low-flush toilet
 - D. all of the above
- 33. When bioswales are used to capture and treat parking lot run-off, they
 - A. help purify water before it is returned to the aquifer
 - B. mitigate flooding
 - C. help purify water before it is sent to a nearby stream or river
 - D. all of the above
- 34. The major advantage of a living machine is that it
 - A. can treat water for re-use on site
 - B. is an inexpensive biological process
 - C. complements composting toilets
 - D. all of the above
- 35. Our local watercourse, Paradise Creek, is polluted by
 - A. farmland run-off
 - B. legal dumping at its headlands
 - C. Moscow Waste Water Treatment Plant effluent
 - D. all of the above
- 36. Dumpsters for buildings that have no recycling program in force typically have contents that are at least
 - A. 10% recyclable and compostable
 - B. 25% recyclable and compostable
 - C. 50% recyclable and compostable
 - D. 80% recyclable and compostable



- 37. Buildings that can mitigate global warming must be
 - A. able to greatly reduce carbon emissions
 - B. LEED certified
 - C. entirely self-sufficient
 - D. all of the above
- 38. The spagnetti charts of US energy use for the last four decades show
 - A. a sharp increase in first-law efficiency
 - B. fairly consistent first-law efficiency
 - C. a sharp decrease in first-law efficiency
 - D. none of the above
- 39. A LEED-experienced design team can easily deliver a LEED Gold building at
 - A. 20% above the cost of a code-compliant building
 - B. 10% above the cost of a code-compliant building
 - C. near the cost of a code-compliant building
 - D. 10% below the cost of a code-compliant building
- 40. New buildings in the UK tend to be greener than those in the US because
 - A. the country is a Kyoto Accord signee
 - B. EU building regulations are more stringent than those in the US
 - C. signature architects in the UK are committed to green architecture
 - D. all of the above

Catch some rays, catch some Zzzzzzzzzs!
Come back with new energy next fall!

