Arch 464 ECS Midterm I Spring 2008

30 Multiple Choice Questions

- 1. Effective use of daylighting in buildings can be linked to
 - A. sustainability
 - B. improved occupant productivity
 - C. reduced energy use
 - D. all of the above

2. The building with the least likelihood of being effectively daylighted was built

- A. before incandescent lamps were invented
- B. before use of air-conditioning became widespread
- C. between 1965 and 1972
- D. to LEED platinum standards

3. A daylighted building that was actually designed for evolution, flexibility, and adaptability is

- A. Gehry's Walt Disney Concert Hall in LA
- B. Gare d'Orsay in Paris
- C. Aalto's Riola Church in Italy
- D. none of the above

4. An example of a specularly reflective architectural surface is

- A. the titanium panels of Gehry's Stata Center at MIT
- B. the polished black marble wall of Lin's Viet Nam War Memorial
- C. an ordinary reflective glass office tower
- D. all of the above

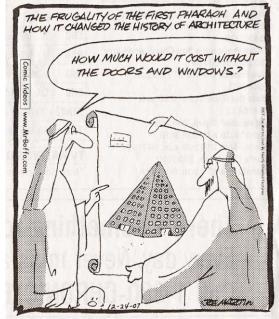
5. Why is Weber's Law pertinent to lighting design?

- A. It supports the case for objective measurement of light levels.
- B. It helps in calculating illumination levels on the work plane.
- C. It supports the case for perception-based assessment of lighting.
- D. none of the above

6. Assuming equal surface luminance, we would be most visually sensitive to a

- A. red fire truck
- B. blue police car
- C. a yellow house
- D. a deep purple sky

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7. How far from a 1257 lumen source in a darkened room must you be to measure 6.25 footcandles of direct illumination?

- A. 4 feet
- B. 2 feet
- C. 1 foot
- D. none of the above

8. The best tool for measuring surface brightness is

- A. a light meter
- B. an illuminance meter
- C. a luminance meter
- D. a luminous flux detector
- 9. A daylighting designer should take into account
 - A. light distribution of a perfectly cloudy sky
 - B. reflected light from external objects
 - C. surface treatment of walls and ceilings
 - D. all of the above

10. Mira Vista and Del Mar schools (circa ~1955) in California are beautifully daylighted because

A. all windows face due south

B. all windows use translucent glazing

- C. all clerestory windows are effectively shaded
- D. all of the above
- 11. You can experience the cool nature of daylight by observing
 - A. simultaneously light from a north-facing and a south-facing skylight at noon on a sunny day
 - B. the seasonal difference between summer light and winter light in a sidelighted building
 - C. cloudy sky daylight versus incandescent or warm white fluorescent light in a space
 - D. all of the above

12. In a space with a single skylight, following the 25% rule-of-thumb would result in the most even daylight in a large room

- A. with a sloped ceiling
- B. with a very high aperture in a hipped roof with a cathedral ceiling

C. with a low ceiling

D. with ventilation at the skylight



13. Using a lightshelf that extends outside of a south-facing window

A. reduces the amount of light in the interior space

B. results in more even distribution of light in the interior space

- C. can act as an effective shading device
- D. all of the above

14. The hand calculation method that results in the most satisfactorily and easily obtained visualization of light distribution in an architectural space is

A. the LOF lumen method

B. the BRS protractor method

C. the Graphic Daylight Design Method

D. none of the above, a computer program is required

15. If you wanted to do quick modeling of different options for daylighting and its thermal consequences in a rectilinear space that has apertures in only one surface , you could use

A. ArchiPhysics Daylight program

B. Daylight 1-2-3

C. Skycalc

D. all of the above

16. Computer-based daylight prediction program that is the least restricted by room geometry is

A. Lumen-Micro

B. 3-D Studio Max with radiosity applied

C. SPOT

D. none of the above are restricted by geometry

17. In order to use a physical daylighting model effectively, you must

A. test it under partly cloudy skies

B. photograph your model

C. assure that all construction joints are light tight

D. all of the above

18. The artificial sky that can predict both daylight distribution from a cloudy sky and sunlight penetration for all times of year is

A. IDL Boise's mirror box sky

B. Cardiff University's hemispherical sky

C. University of Michigan's hemispherical sky

D. all of the above

19. A 100-watt lamp's efficacy is an indication of

A. how many lumens it will produce

B. how many hours it will last

C. what its color temperature will be

D. all of the above

20. The best color rendering comes from lamps whose spectral distribution of light is

- A. most saturated at wave lengths of pleasing colors
- B. evenly distributed at all wave lengths with some color spikes
- C. smoothly distributed across all wavelengths
- D. all of the above
- 21. Daily exposure to full-spectrum lighting can result in
 - A. melatonin suppression
 - B. avoidance of SAD
 - C. effective treatment of Alzheimer's disease
 - D. all of the above
- 22. The most energy-efficient lamps that you can buy today are
 - A. incandescent
 - B. compact fluorescent
 - C. high pressure sodium
 - D. light-emitting diodes

23. What is a reasonable argument against replacing an incandescent lamp with a CFL?

- A. poor color rendering
- B. excessive first cost
- C. flickering ballasts
- D. none of the above

24. Color rendering for HID lamps can be improved by

- A. using only metal halide lamps
- B. applying phosphors to the inner surface of the bulb
- C. using them only in high-bay applications
- D. none of the above

25. A lamp's photometric curve is important because

- A. it is necessary in all hand methods for calculating illumination levels in a space
- B. it helps a designer visualize light distribution from the fixture
- C. it gives the luminance of the lamp at different angles
- D. all of the above
- 26. Fixtures for fluorescent tubes can be used to create
 - A. direct illumination
 - B. direct/indirect illumination
 - C. indirect illumination
 - D. all of the above



27. A direct/indirect fixture has the advantage over a ceiling-mounted direct fixture with parabolic louvers in that it

A. can be controlled by a photocell sensitive to daylight levels

- B. avoids most gloom problems
- C. provides better task light
- D. all of the above

28. The 1936 edition of MEEB gave reasonable footcandle recommendations for office lighting. Soon after World War II, American recommendations became excessive because

- A. energy was thought to be inexpensive and infinitely available
- B. air-conditioning and fluorescent lighting allowed large office floor plates
- C. those who manufactured lighting equipment, sold power, and designed lighting were responsible for making the recommendations
- D. all of the above
- 29. You can increase the actual life of your fluorescent lamps by
 - A. using a control scheme that turns them off when daylight is adequate
 - B. never turning them off
 - C. never turning them off and using a air-handling troffer
 - D. none of the above

30. You've used the line source method to predict the illumination delivered to your exam paper in TLC 044. You'd be surprised if

- A. less light arrived
- B. the prediction was right on
- C. significantly more light arrived
- D. either A or B above occurred