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In the field of Speech and Hearing, there are training programs in several different parts of the country and also at several different levels. The major aim of a training program is the development of 'critical skill'. Such skills in the field of speech and hearing would include the knowledge of structure and function of the organs of Speech Hearing, clinical procedures for testing, etc.

An important aspect of the training program is the selection of suitable samples for determining the level of competency reached. Level of competency differs with different levels of training. The compromises that can be made when trainees show unequal levels of competencies should be considered. Quantification of professional experience (like equating it to a per centage of marks) is helpful in evaluating the candidates.

In India, preparation of evaluation procedures acquires added significance because of students and
staff coming from multilingual background. Because of variation in the knowledge and usage of English, students might face difficulty in understanding and answering the questions.

Appraisal and evaluation of the effectiveness and on-going assessment of goals and objectives of training program is essential. Even with prescribed syllabus, training programs differ in terms of the emphasis placed on different areas. The questions included in this project is an attempt at attaining the necessary uniformity.

Another objective is to get collective information about different aspects so that this can serve as a guide to those appearing for interviews and conducting interviews.

Tests are designed to measure one's comprehension of the materials basic to the field. This can be considered as a reference for setting questions.

The given set of questions are designed to function as a self-study guide as well as a supplemental
text for courses in Audiology and Hearing Sciences. It covers some aspects of the fundamentals of Audiology. The questions include the subject areas that individuals should be familiar with training in Audiology. Its main purpose is to evaluate individual's background in the field of Audiology.

Other objectives include (1) framing questions of various types covering the selected aspects, and (2) reducing subjectivity and ambiguity.

It can be utilized in the following ways:
a) Can be used in short term and refresher courses.
b) Can be administered periodically to evaluate the students.
c) Can be used to evaluate trainees before and after the training program.
d) Can be used to monitor students' knowledge in understanding of subject.
e) Can be used to discriminate students' abilities in respective areas.
f) Answers to the given questions can be analysed using "item analysis". Hence can be arranged in gradation.

## Types of Questions:

Both qualitative and quantitative questions are included. Qualitative questions have descriptive responses; quantitative ones have simple calculations, selection among answers etc.

The different types included are:

1. Multiple choice.
2. Matching.
3. Fill in the blanks.
4. Single word answers.
5. Short-answers.
6. Problem solving.
7. Labelling the figures etc.

Topics covered: include 3 main parts. Part one has questions and answers about Anatomy and Physiology of
the ear.

Part two deals with Psychophysics of
Auditions.

Part three is about questions regarding Instrumentation, Calibration and Measurement aspects.

## ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY OF THE

AUDITORY SYSTEM

Ear down the years

What does the history of the ear tell?
Few important names and dates.

1. Bartolomews Eustachiens described the eustachian tube in $\qquad$
2. Transformer action of outer ear was first described by $\qquad$ in 1946.
3. Transformer action of middle ear was described by in 1851.
4. Transformer action of inner ear was described by Bekesy in $\qquad$ .

## Answers

1. 1563. 
1. Wiener and Ross.
2. Weber.
3. 1953. 
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Match Making Bureau
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This bureau consists of 2 sets of items. The task is to match the right ones. Many of the items consist of parts of the ear which indicate positions in their names.
I. 1. Lateral semicircular canal a. Anterior
2. Posterior semicircular canal b. Horizontal
3. Anterior vertical canal c. Posterior
II. a. Organ of Corti
i. Acoustic medullar center.
b. Cochlear nucleus
ii. Acoustic papilla. iii. Organ of spirale.
III. a.Medical
i. Malleolar ligament
b. Lateral ii. Ceniculate body
iii. Lemniscus
IV.
a. Superior

1. Colliculus
b. Inferior
2. Olivery complex.
3. Malleolar ligament.
V. 1. Horizontal a.division of facial nerve
4. Vertical
b. semicircular canal.
VI. 1. Superior wall i. Membranous wall2. Lateral wall ii. Labyrinthine wall
5. Medial wall iii. Carotid wall
6. Posterior wall iv. Tegmental wall
7. Anterior wall''' v. Mastoid wall
VII. 1. Outer spiral fibres i. Afferent fibres inner-vating inner Hair cells2. Inner radical fibres ii. Efferent fibres inner-vating inner hair cells
8. Tunnel or outer iii. Afferent fibres inner-radial fibres.vating outer hair cells
9. Inner spiral fibres iv. Efferent fibres innervating outer hair cells.
VIII. 1. Superior malleolar ligament.
i. Connects malleus withtympanic membrane.
10. Lateral malleolar ii. Anterior process to anteriorligment.wall of middle ear.
11. Ligament supporting' iii. From short process toincus.fossa incudis.
12. Annular ligamentiv. From oval footplateto Fenesta vestibuli.
13. Anterior malleolarv. Connects malleus'totegmen tympani.

## Answers

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    I. 1. - (b)
    2.- (c)
    3. - (a)
    II. a. - (ii) and (iii)
    b. -
        (i)
III. a. - (ii)
        b. - (i) and (iii)
IV. a. - (2) and (3)
    b. - (1)
V 1. - (a) and (b)
    2. - (a) and (b)
VI. 1 - iv)
    2 - i)
    3 - ii)
    4 - v)
    5 - iii)
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VII1.iii)
2. - i)
3. - iv)
4. - ii)
VIII. 1. - v)
2. - i)
3. - iii)
4. - iv)
5. - ii)

## Number Game

Many questions in this need filling in of appropriate numbers. Few require keeping the number constant and selecting the appropriate items. The section also includes measures like length, weight, time etc.

1. Name those which occur in pairs in the auditory system.
2. Name those which occur in 'threes'.
3. The $3+2$ combination in the middle ear is formed by
$\qquad$ and $\qquad$ -
4. The number of outer hair cells is $\qquad$ and number of inner hair cells is $\qquad$ .
5. The number of neurons originally is $\qquad$ -

By the time they reach the cortex they sum up to $\qquad$ .
6. Outer hair cell contains $\qquad$ hairs; inner hair cell contains $\qquad$ hairs.
7. Only $\qquad$ efferent fibres enter $\qquad$ cochlea.
8. $\qquad$ \% of efferent fibres originate from $\qquad$ superior olivery complex and form crossed olivocochlear bundle.
9. About $\qquad$ \% of afferent fibres connect with ' $\qquad$ while remaining innervate $\qquad$ -

Ratios

1. Efficiency of Bone conduction to air conduction is in the ratio of $\qquad$ .
2. Audible sound pressure range between threshold of hearing and feeling corresponds to a ratio of
3. The ratio of intensities which represent the extremes of intensity range is $\qquad$ .

Angles

1. The pinna is inclined to the head at an angle of $\qquad$ .
2. The angle of inclination of tympanicmembrane is $\qquad$ (with its upper wall).
3. The inclination of Eustachian tube at birth is $\qquad$ and in adult it is $\qquad$ .

## Resonating Hertz

1. Resonating frequency of Concha is $\qquad$ .
2. Resonating frequency of earcanal is $\qquad$ .
3. Earcanal-eardrum resonant frequency is $\qquad$ -.

## Millimeters and Centimeters

1. The length of pinna is $\qquad$ mms.
2. Length of the external auditory meatus is $\qquad$ cms.
3. Length of the eustachian tube is $\qquad$ mms.
4. Length of the tensor tympani is $\qquad$ mms.
5. Length of the Stapedius muscle is $\qquad$ mms.
6. Length of the Cochlear channels is $\qquad$ mm .
7. Length of the basilar membrane is $\qquad$ mm.
8. Thickness of the tympanic membrane is $\qquad$ mm.
9. Diameter of the concha is $\qquad$ cm.
10. Diameter of the earcanal is $\qquad$ cm.
11. Diameter of the tympanic membrane is $\qquad$ mm.

Milligrams and Grams

1. Weight of the tympanic membrane is $\qquad$ mg.
2. Weight of malleus is $\qquad$ mg.
3. Weight of incus is $\qquad$ mg.
4. Weight of Stapes is $\qquad$ mg.

## Squares and cubes

I.

1. Cross-sectional area of external auditory meatus
is $\qquad$ $\mathrm{Cm}^{2}$
2. Area of tympanic membrane is $\qquad$ $\mathrm{Cm}^{2}$
3. Effective area of tympanic membrane is $\qquad$ $\mathrm{mm}^{2}$
4. Area of the footplate is_ $\mathrm{mm}^{2}$
5. Area of the round window is $\qquad$ $\mathrm{mm}^{2}$
6. Area of helicotrema is_mm ${ }^{2}$
i. Volume of Concha is_Cm ${ }^{3}$
ii. Volume of ear canal is $\qquad$ $\mathrm{Cm}^{3}$
iii. Volume of middle ear cavity is_ $\mathrm{Cm}^{3}$
iv. Volume of ossicles is $\mathrm{Cm}^{3}$
v. Volume of cochlea is $\qquad$ $\mathrm{mm}^{3}$

## Milliseconds and Seconds

a. Latency of conttraction of muscles to sudden onset of a tone is $\qquad$ msec.
b. Maximal tension in muscles is attained in $\qquad$ msec.
c. Refractory phase of auditory fibre is $\qquad$ sec.
d. Maximum discharge rate of neurons is $\qquad$ times/sec.
e. Conduction velocity of neuron is $\qquad$ m/sec.
f. Absolute refractory period is equal to $\qquad$ msec.
g. Relative refractory period is equal to $\qquad$ msec.

## Answers

1. 2 meati, 2 muscles, 2 windows, 2 media (through which sound travels in the ear), 2 fluids in inner ear, 2 labyrinths, 2 sensory systems, 2 types of hair cells, 2 divisions of the auditory nerve, 2 types of innervation of hair cells, 2 refractory periods, 2 layers of cells in Reissner's membrane.
2. 3 layers in tympanic membrane, 3 semicircular, cochlear partition, ossicles, 3 cranial nerves (5th, 7th, 8th), rows of outer hair cells, 3 membranes in inner ear, 3 types of cells in Stria Vasculaiis, 3 modes of sound energy transformation in ear.
3. Ossicles, muscles.
4. 12000. 3500 .
1. 30000, 9,000,000.
2. 80-100, 50 .
. 7.500.-----
$8.75 \%$ contralateral.
3. 90-95\%, inner hair cells, outer hair cells.

Ratios

1. 1 : 100
2. $1: 100,0000$
3. 1 to $10^{14}$ or $10^{18}$

Angles
1.15
2. 140
3.0

Resonating Hertz

1. 4.5 or 5 KHz
2. 2.5 to 2.6 KHz
3. 2 KHz

Millimeters and Centimeters

1. $60-75$ (67) mms.
2. $2-3 \mathrm{cms}$.
3. $35-38 \mathrm{mms}$.
4. 25 mms .
5. 6 mms .
6. 35 mms .
7. 34 mms .
8. 0.1 mm .
9. $1-2 \mathrm{cms}$.
10. 0.7 cm .
11. 7.9 to 7.9 mm .

Milligrams and grams

1. 14 mg .
2. $23-27 \mathrm{mg}$.
3. 25-32 mg.
4. $2.05-4.34(2.86) \mathrm{mg}$.

Squares and Cubes
I. 1. 0.3 to $0.5 \mathrm{Cm}^{2}$
2. 0.5 to $0.9 \mathrm{Cm}^{2}$
3. 42.9 to $55 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$
4. $3.2 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$
5. $2 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$
6. 0.08 to $0.04 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$
II. i) $2.5 \mathrm{Cm}^{3}$
ii) $1.0 \mathrm{Cm}^{3}$
iii) $\quad 2.0 \mathrm{Cm}^{3}$
iv) 0.50 to $0.8 \mathrm{Cm}^{3}$
v) $98.1 \mathrm{~mm}^{3}$

Milliseconds and Seconds
a) 14 to 16 msec .
b) 100 to 150 msec .
C) $1 / 1000 \mathrm{sec}$.
d) 100 times/sec.
e) $120 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{sec}$.
f) 0.5 msec .
g) 0.5 to 20.0 msec .

## Increase / Decrease: More / Less

1. Frequency of tone increases: firing rate of auditory nerve fibre $\qquad$ .
2. As basilar membrane proceeds from base to apex, its width $\qquad$ .
3. When eardrum and middle ear are stiffened, there is a $\qquad$ amount of energy reflected off the eardrum.
4. In transformer action, the tympanic membrane and ossicles $\qquad$ the force, but $\qquad$ the amplitude of vibration.
5. Contraction of intra-aural muscles $\qquad$
transmission of lew tones, and slightly $\qquad$ for
certain tones in middle range.
6. The scala tympani cantains the round window at its end. (basal, apical).
7. Basilar membrane is stiffer at the $\qquad$ end of the cochlea (basal, apical).
8. Osseous spiral lamina is located on $\qquad$ of the spiral (inside, outside).
9. Transmission across a synapse occurs in direction.
10. Contraction of middle ear muscles is a action.

## Answers

1. increases.
2. increases.
3. greater.
4. increase, decrease.
5. reduce, increase.
6. basal.
7. basal.
8. inside.
9. single.
10. reflex.

Let us know how few letters stand for shapes of some parts of the ear. The section includes some common names associated with parts of the ear.

1. What do $\mathrm{U}, \mathrm{V}, \mathrm{W}$ and S stand for with reference to ear?
2. Name the parts of the ear associated with the following ones:

| i) Tube | iv) Hammer | vii) Anvil | x) Round |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| ii) Snail | v) Spindle viii) Triangle xi) Oval |  |  |
| iii) Funnel | vi) Stirrup | ix) Circle. |  |

## Alterations

You may have to cut, replace or expand the words to find out answers to these questions.

1. Remove one and find one new in a different location 'Hair cells'.
2. From the word 'Hear', remove one letter and you get
$\qquad$ . Now remove one more letter and expand the remaining. You will reach higher point in the auditory system.
3. In the word 'vestibuli', replace one letter and get the name of a division of the inner ear.

## Answers

## Shapes and Sizes

1. U - internal genu of facial nerve in the ear.

V - inverted $V$ stands for the tunnel of corti.
W - pattern of cilia of hair cells viewed from above in organ of corti.

S - shape of external ear canal.
2. i) auditory canal or auditory tube.
ii) Cochlea.
iii) pinna.
iv) malleus
v) tensor tympani
vi) stapes
vii) Incus
viii) Shape of Scala media
ix) Circular fibres in tympanic membrane.
x) Window.
xi) Window.

Alterations

1. Air cells.
2. Ear - AR - Auditory Radiations.
3. Vestibule.

## Questions with something in "common"

Here the game is to play with surnames of parts of the ear, expansions of initials and finding out the counter parts.

1. All of us have the same first name. Find out our surnames.
a) Pars
c) pars $\qquad$
b) Pars $\qquad$ d) Pars $\qquad$
e) Pars $\qquad$ f) Pars $\qquad$ g) Pars $\qquad$
2. All of us have the same surname. Find out our first name.
a) $\qquad$ tympani
d) $\qquad$ tympani
b) $\qquad$ tympani
e) $\qquad$ tympani
c) $\qquad$ tympani
3. We have same initials but if you expand them, you get different names.
i) T.M
v) A.R
ii) R.M.
vi) S.L
iii) S.V
vii) S.C
iv) S.G.
4. Find out the counterparts of the words given below.
a) Scala
b) Tympanic
c) Tegmen
d) Reticular
e) Sulcus.
5. My first name is 'Superior'. Tell my full name.
a) Superior $\qquad$ c) Superior $\qquad$
b) Superior $\qquad$ d) Superior $\qquad$
6. My first name is "Spiral". Find out the other half of my name.

7. a) 'Crus' is my first name; I am found in inner ear. b) 'Crus' is my middle name; I am found in outer ear.
c) 'Crus' is my last name; I am found in middle ear.

What are my names?
8. Find out the common associates of the following:
a) Corti
f) Crista ampularis
b) Duct
g) Macula
c) Window
h) Synaptic
d) Endolymphatic
i) ductus
e) Vestibular
j) Auditory
1.
a) flaccida
e) externa
b) recta
f) interna
c) tensa
g) media
d) pectinata
2. a) Tensor
b) Scala
C) Tegmen
d) Sinus
e) Chorda
3. i) Tympanic membrane

Tectorial membrane
ii) Reticular membrane

Reissner's membrane
iii) Scala vestibuli

Stria Vascularis
iv) Sebacious glands

Spiral ganglion
v) Acoustic reflex Auditory radiations

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vi) Spiral limbus
    Spiral ligament
    Spiral lamina
vii) Supporting cells
    Sensory cells
    Semicircular canal
    Sulcus cell
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4. a) Vestibuli and Tympani
b) autrum, membrane, aditus, cavity and sulcus.
c) Tympani and antrae
d) Lamina and membrane
e) Inner and outer
5. a) quardrant
b) olivary complex
c) semicircular canal
d) malleolar fold
6. i) limbus, ii) ganglion, iii) ligament
iv) lamina, v) fibres, vi) prominance.
7. a) Crus commune
b) Anterior crus of helix
c) Stapes crus
8. a) Pillars of corti. Organ of corti and Tunnel of corti.
b) Cochlear duct, Endolymphatic and Perilymphatic duct.
c) Oval and round window.
d) Duct and Sac.
e) Nerve, membrane, crust and apparatus.
f) of lateral, posterior and anterior semicircular canals.
g) of utricle and saccule
h) Cycle, cleft, bar and body
i) Reuniens, utriculosaccularis and endolymphaticus
j) pathway, canal, tube, placode, vesicle, ossicle and nerve.

## Alphabets of the Auditory System

Let us see how many things you can find out from these letters about the ear. Questions include finding the starters of words, missing middle and ending letters of words.

1. The following have their beginning and ending letters same. Fill in the "missing middle". The number of letters to fill in is given in brackets.
i) M $\qquad$ m (7) viii) S $\qquad$ s (13)
ii) T $\qquad$ t (3)
ix) B $\qquad$ b (2)
iii) s $\qquad$ s (4)
x) E $\qquad$ e (12)
iv) Si $\qquad$ s (7)
xi) J $\qquad$ i (4)
v) L $\qquad$ (9)
xii) S
$\qquad$ s (13)
vi) S $\qquad$ s xiii) S $\qquad$ s
$\qquad$ s (15)
2. The following 2 words end with 'se' and they are in connection with the nerve. What are they?
3. Complete these words whose starting letter is '0'.
4. Write the following words which have 'a' as their ending letter.
5. The following words end with '1'.
6. This set of words end with 's'.
7. Write the words rhyming with the following and ending with same letter.
a) Utricle
c) Ampulla
e) Helix
b) Auricle
d) Tragirs
f) Cochlea

Answers

1. i) Manubrium
ii) Tract
iii) Stapes
iv) stapedius
v) Lateral wall
vi) Sulcus Terminalis
vii) Sulcus Auricularis
viii) Stria vascularis
ix) Bulb
x) Eustachian tube
xi) Incudi
xii) Sebaceous glands
xiii) Sacculus enddymphaticus
2. Synapse and Impulse.
3. Ossicle, Olivery complex. Osseous lamina, Oval window, Otolyth, Organ of Corti, Outer hair cell.
4. Concha, Co-chlea, Cilia, Pinna, Ampulla, Cupula, Helicotrema, Lamina, Fenestra rotunda.
5. Wall, lateral, Spiral, Radial, Ventral, Tubal, Oval, Internal, Dorsal, Axial, Neural, Canal, Medial, Tectorial, External, Mechanical, electrical, acoustical, chemical, signal, stapedial, epithelial, temporal.
6. Tragus, Incus, Stapedius, Stapes, meatus, lemniscus, malleus, colliculus, sebacious, aditus, ceruminous, tractus, annulus, limbus, petrous, modiolus, canaliculus, anterior crus, fenestra ovalis, stria vascularis, superior crus, nervus intermedius, Incisura Terminalis, Ductus cochlearis, nervus stapedius, cochlearifermis, Fossa triangularis, ductus-endolymphaticus.
7. a) Saccule.
b) Lobule.
c) Cupula.
d) antitragus
e) Anthelix
f) Cilia.

True or False

1. Basal turn of the Cochlea corresponds to low frequency waves; Apical turn responds to high frequency waves.
2. Without elastic round window, liquid transmission won't occur.
3. With tympanic membrane perforation, protection to the round window is minimum.
4. The two middle ear muscles are antagonistic.
5. Bone conduction thresholds are completely valid measure of the function of cochlear reserve.
6. Endolymph has high protein content.
7. Perilymph has low sodium content.
8. Perilymph has high negative electric potential.
9. Endolymph has high potasium content.

Answers

1. False
2. True
3. True
4. True
5. False
6. False
7. False
8. False
9. True

Name the following

1. Tiny passage through which subtle physiological events (transmission and conversion of energy) take place in the inner ear.
2. A part of the auditory system is lost in ponds. Fish it out.
3. What holds the ossicular chain rigidly?
4. Which part of the ear is blamed for being prominent and serving little in hearing?
5. Footplate of stapes seals the 'threshold' to inner ear. What is this threshold?
6. There is an earplug in the prenatally developing auditory system. What is that?
7. Name the supporting cells of hair cells in the inner ear.
8. Which ossicles move as a unit?
9. What holds the tympanic membrane?
10. A pin is lost in the ear. Where should we look for if?
11. Name the nerves in the external ear.
12. Name the nerves in the middle ear.
13. Name the non-auditory structures in the middle ear.

## Answers

1. Scala media
2. Pons.
3. The 2 muscles.
4. Pinna.
5. Oval window
6. Meatal plug.
7. Inner border cells, inner phalangeal cells, inner and outer pillars, Hensen's cells, Claudius cells, inner sulcus cells, outer sulcus cells, Boetteher cells.
8. Malleus and incus
9. Handle of malleus
10. Pinna
11. Facial nervel (Temporal and posterior-auricular branches) and vagus nerve.
12. Facial nerve and trigeminal nerve.
13. Fallopian canal and chorda tympani.

## Cochlea to Cortex

1. The fibrous lattice work through which cilia of the hair cells protrude is called $\qquad$ .
2. The neural impulse consists of minute changes in $\qquad$
3. The region of functional contract between neural structures is called a $\qquad$ -
4. $\qquad$ is transmitted across the synapse.
5. First order neurous extend from the $\qquad$ to the $\qquad$ .
6. The structure in which ascending auditory neurous of auditory system have their first neuron to neuron synapee is the
7. Pathway by which neurous cross from one side to the other at the level of superior olivary complex is called
8. Pathway by which neurous go from the superior olivary complex to inferior colliculus is $\qquad$ .
9. Two subcortical neural centres providing the opportunity for visual and auditory information to be integrated are
$\qquad$ and $\qquad$ .
10. At what subcortical levels within the auditory system, do neural pathways cross the midline?
11. The last place before neurons reach the Cortex, at which they all synapse is $\qquad$ .
12. Cochlea receives an afferent supply, efferent supply and also $\qquad$ .
13. Tonotopic organization starts from $\qquad$ .
14. The cell bodies of neurons innervating cochlea make up $\qquad$ .
15. From the spiral ganglion the nerve fibre are myelinated and here the electrical activity is a typical $\qquad$
16. The fibres innervating outer hair cells in afferent system are $\qquad$ .
17. The fibres innervating inner hair cells in afferent pathway are known as $\qquad$ .
18. The afferent innervation to inner hair cells is
$\qquad$ ; while that to outer hair cells is $\qquad$ .
19. In efferent system, the fibres innervating outer hair cells form the $\qquad$ or $\qquad$ fibres.
20. In efferent connection, the fibres innervating the inner hair cells form $\qquad$ .
21. The efferent innervation to inner hair cells is
$\qquad$ and that of outer hair cells is $\qquad$ .
22. Fibres of eighth nerve exhibit $\qquad$ and refractory periods. They exhibit $\qquad$ response.
23. Inner hair cells are sensitive to $\qquad$ and help in $\qquad$ of frequency.
24. Outer hair cell system are important in $\qquad$ .
25. Outer hair cells are highly sensitive and determine the $\qquad$ ; The inner hair cells operate at levels.
26. Removal of entire cortex produces loss of $\qquad$ $d B$.
27. Destruction of one cochlea results in hearing loss of $\qquad$ $d B$.
28. Destruction of both cochlea results in $\qquad$ -
29. In an animal with one Cerebral hemisphere already removed. The destruction of one cochlea causes additional loss of $\qquad$ dB (whether the same side or other cochlea is removed doesn't matter).
30. Removal of Cerebral Cortex of a single hemisphere is followed by a small loss of acuity. It is $\qquad$ $d B$ at 1 KHz . (Loss is same whether right or left hemisphere is removed).

## Answers

1. reticular lamina
2. electrical voltage
3. synapse
4. Neural impulse
5. Cochlea, medulla
6. Cochlear nucleus.
7. Trapezoid body
8. lateral lemniscus
9. Cerebellum, Colliculus.
10. Medulla (Trapezoid body) and inferior colliculus.
11. Medial geniculate.
12. sympathetic innervation.
13. Basilar membrane.
14. Spiral ganglion.
15. neural spike.
16. Outer spiral fibres.
17. inner radial fibres
18. many to one, one to many
19. outer radial or tunnel radial fibres
20. inner spiral fibres
21. one to many, one to many.
22. absolute, relative
all or none
23. place of excitation, fine discrimination.
24. Spotial summation.
25. threshold; syprathreshold.
26. 70-75 dB.
27. 3 dB .
28. total deafness.
29. 10 dB .
30. 2-5 dB.
31. 'Pinna is missing'. Does it play a significant role in hearing or not?
32. What is threshold of hearing?
33. Hearing by bone conduction is distorted. Why?
34. What are 'Tonal lacunae' and 'Tonal islands'?
35. What are the 2 functions of tympano-ossicular system?
36. What helps to keep the tympanic membrane tight and flexible?
37. What is the region inside the spiral of co-chlea called?
38. Failure of the external auditory meatus to canalize might result in what?
39. What feature allows the easy spread of infection from one sensory system to other in the ear?
40. Basilar membrane holds the hair cells. What structures support this?
41. The ear canal contains fluid. Whether hearing is affected or not?
42. What does a spark do in the eardrum?
43. What happens if oval window is closed?
44. What happens if both windows are closed?
45. What is the consequence if both windows are free but attacked by vibrations identical in pressure and phase?
46. How does protective mechanism to inner ear function?
47. What causes nonlinearity in mechanical performance of auditory mechanism?
48. What is the peculiarity of Reissner's membrane?
49. What are neurotransmitters?

## Answers

1. It does not affect hearing.
2. It is the sound pressure on the tympanic membrane which makes the sound just audible.
3. The vibrations must be intense to set the bones of the skull into movement for hearing through bone conduction.
4. Tonal lacunae are isolated regions of frequencies to which the ear is not sensitive.
5. Tonal islands are the sensitive regions between tonal lacunae.
6. i) Transmission of vibrations. ii) Protection of round window.
7. Tensor tympani muscle.
8. Modiolus.
9. A significant conductive hearing loss.
10. The communication of fluids.
11. Spiral lamina and ligament.
12. Hearing is affected.
13. It hits, the drum with a devastating effect and usually the entire drum is destroyed.
14. The inner ear fluids will be wrongly mobilized.
15. Perception of sound doesn't take place.
16. There will be no movement of the labyrinthine fluids.
17. At high intensities, the mode of vibration of stapes alters, so that instead of pivoting at its posterior pole, it rocks about long axis of the foot plate. This reduces the resulting movement of fluid in inner ear and hence protects it.
18. (i) The loose coupling of malleoincudal joint.
(ii) various elastic structures like the tympanic membrane, ligaments of ossicles, basilar membrane etc.
19. In the trauma by noise induced hearing loss, this membrane has the capacity of self-repair.
20. Neurotransmitters are chemical substances which alter membrane permeability in a way that governs the transmission of impulses from one neuron to next.

## Outer Ear



You can go in vertical, horizontal,
upward, downward, forward and backward and diagonal directions. Try and find out 9 names belonging to outer ear.

## Answers

| Pinna | Helix |
| :--- | :--- |
| Tragus | Isthmus |
| Meatus | Scapha |
| Concha | Ear |

Lobe

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Middle ear

| B | F | A | C | I | A | L | N | E | R | V | E. |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| S | O | W | T | Y | M | P | A | N | U | M. | B |
| U | M | O | S | U | E | L | I | A | M. | S | U |
| I | A | D | E | E | A | R | D | R | U | M | T |
| D | N | N | I | L | R | A | C | C | B | P | Y |
| I | V | I | W | A | L | L | N | O | L | I | R |
| P | B | W | O | D | N | I | W | L | A | V | O. |
| A | R | D | I | P | V | T | S | E | M | I | T |
| T | I | N | S | E | P | A | T | S. | O | W | I |
| S | U | V | M | B | M | A | S | T | O | I | D. |
| U | M | O | B | S | E | L | C | S | U | M | U |
| P | A | R | S | F | L | A | C | C | I | D | A. |

Same directions. But you need to get 16 parts, in connection with middle ear.

| Facial Nerve | Incus |
| :--- | :--- |
| Malleus | Stapedius |
| Eardrum | Round window |
| Stapes | Umbo |
| Oval window | Pars flaccida |
| Auditory tube | Mastoid |
| Manumbrium | Ossicles |
| Tympapnum |  |
| Muscles |  |

Inner Ear

| P | S | I | R | A | L | $v$ | c | s | A | v | A | I | R | T | S |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I | N | N | E | R | E | A | R | D | A | S | I | F | H | N | A |
| T | H | T | N | I | R | Y | B | A | L | T | $\bigcirc$ | L | E | I | C |
| S | U | L | 0 | I | D | 0 | M | L | E | $\bigcirc$ | L | I | N | A | C |
| A | C | 0 | U | S | T | P | E | E | L | I | N | G | S | H | U |
| R | P | A | P | I | U | c | (M) | A | C | U | L | A) | E | P | L |
| E | S | I | T | L | R | 0 | S | T | E | K | E | E | N | M |  |
| E | H | E | L | I | C | 0 | T | R | E | M | A | N | S | Y | E |
| N | 0 | A | A | L | R | E | S | T | L | L | A | T |  |  | R |
| D | E | H | A | T | A | U | T | R | I | C | L | E |  | 0 | I |
| 0 | A | I | H | I | T | R | T | A | 0 | T | E |  | T | D | L |
| R | T | T | S | L | E | E | S | C | H | C | c | K | T | N | Y |
| G | 5 | H | U | S | U | D | H | A | M | A | N | I | A | E | M |
| A | I | D | E | M | A | L | A | C | $\mathrm{S}$ | T | N | T | J | T | P |
| N | R | A | $Q$ | U | E | D | U | C | T | K | A | S | T | A | H |
| I | C | S | S | A | N | I | M | A | L | L | A | R | I | P | S |

Inner ear sounds more complicated. 22 parts belonging to it have to be found out in this puzzle.

## Answer:

| Co-chlea | Stria vascularis |
| :--- | :--- |
| Helicotrema | Endorgan |
| Modiolus | Philymph |
| Utricle | Endoly mph |
| Maculae | Cristae |
| Labyrinth | Ampulla |
| Aqueduet | Ductus reunieng |
| Hair cell | Spiral lamina |
| Vestibule | Hensen |
| Scala media | Inner ear |
| Sauccle |  |

Problems

1. Express power law in terms of a formula.
2. Formula for power level is

PWL=
3. There is an amplifier. Find the $d B$ gain of it, if output is 50 volts and input is 2 volts.
4. There are 2 generators in a room. Each generates 80 dB IL. If the two are simultaneously on, what will be the overall intensity level in room?
5. Area of tympanic membrane is $55 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$. Area of footplate is $3.2 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$. What is the ratio of pressure increase from tympanic membrane to footplate?
6. Given: the lever action ratio as $1.31: 1$ and Areal ratio $=14: 1$. Calculate the increase in $d B$ at the footplate.
77. The length of external auditory meatus is 3 cm . What is the consequence if it were more longer?
8. Impedance formula is

$$
F=M a+K x+R v
$$

i) Here mass is contributed by $\qquad$ .
ii) Stiffness is contributed by $\qquad$ .
iii) Resistance is that of $\qquad$ .

## Answers

1. N in sones $=2 \mathrm{~L}-40$

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Where $\mathrm{L}=$ loudness level in phone.
2. $\mathrm{PNL}=10 \log \mathrm{WI}$

Wo $=10^{-12}$ waits
3. $\mathrm{dB} \cdot \mathrm{gain=20}. \mathrm{\log 10} \mathrm{\frac{50}{2}} \mathrm{(Volts)} \mathrm{(Volts)}$
$=20 \log _{10} 25=28 \mathrm{~dB}$.
4. $\mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{dB}}=10 \log _{10} \underline{\mathrm{PI}}$

Po
$80=10 \log _{10} \mathrm{PI}$
$10^{-16}$
$10^{8}=\frac{\mathrm{PI}}{10^{-16}} \therefore \mathrm{PI}=10^{-16} \times 10^{8}=10^{-8} \mathrm{walts} / \mathrm{cm}^{2}$

There are 2 generators:
Therefore, overall intensity $(\mathrm{P}-)=2 \times 10^{-8}$
dB IL $=\log _{10} \frac{2 \times 10^{-8}}{10^{-16}} \log _{10} 2 \times 10^{8}$
$=83 \mathrm{~dB}$ IL.
5.

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{\text { Area of Footplate }}{\text { Area of tympanic membrane }} & \begin{array}{r}
3.2 \mathrm{~mm} 2 \\
55 \mathrm{~mm} 2
\end{array} \\
& =17.1
\end{aligned}
$$

The ratio of pressure increase from tympanic membrane to footplate $=17: 1$
6. Lever action ratio is $1.31: 1$

Areal ratio is 14:1

Increase in dB is given by considering the 2 ratios together and calculating the $d B$ value.

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2 ratios but together = 1.31 x 14 = 18.3
dB = 20 log
    =25 dB.
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7. The resonant frequency of the external auditory meatus, reduces.
8. i) Ossicular chain.
ii) Stapes footplate
iii) Air in middle ear.

## Figures of importance

I. External_Ear and Eustachian Tube

1. Label the following

2. Pick the odd one out
(a)
(b)
(c)

3. Locate the sebacious glands in the figure.

4. Label the bony and cartilagenous parts in the eustac\&ian tube

5. Find out which eustachian tube belongs to that of children and which belongs to adults.

II. Tympanic Membrane:
6. Label the quadrants of the tympanic membrane

7. Locate 'pars tensa' and 'parsfloccida' in this.

8. Which of the following belongs to right and which belongs to left ear?
a

b

III. Middle ear
9. What's wrong here?

## LEFT

RIGHT

2. What is absurd in the scapes?

3. What is represented in the following figure? Name the different divisions.

IV. Inner Ear

1. Which is the correct one?

2. Name the semicircular canals.

3. This incomplete face has something to do with the ear. Find it out.
$a$

4. Label the following:

V. Curves:
5. What observations you draw from this figure?

6. What information you get from the curve below?


I External ear \& eustachian tube:

1. a. Scaphoid fossa
b. Darwin's tubercle
c. Helix
d. Anthelix
e. Antitragus
2. MM.
3. (a).
4. (a) Bony
(b) Cartilagenous
5. (a) adults
(b) children
II. Tympanic Membrane
6. (a) Posterior superior
(b) Anterior superior
(c) Anterior inferior
(d) Posterior inferior
f. Lobule
g. Concha
h. Triangular fossa
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3．What does this curve represent？Explain．


35N0dรヨy ヨヘเคยาヨด
gp
intensity dynes $/ \mathrm{cm}^{2}$
2. (a) Pars flaccida
(b) Pars tensa
3. (a) right ear
(b) left ear
III. Middle ear

1. The labels right and left have been interchanged.
2. One Crus is longer.
3. (a) Outer ear representing acoustic filter.
(b) Middle ear representing mechanical transformer.
(c) Inner ear.
IV. Inner Ear
4. 

(a)
2. (a) Posterior vertical
(b) Lateral.
(c) Anterior vertical.
3. (a) auditory cortex
(b) Medial geniculate body
(c) Inferior colliculus
4.
(a) Limbus
(m) Cells of Claudius
(b) Spiral nerve fibres
(n) Cells of Hensen
(c) Border cells
(o) Outer tunnel
(d) Nerve fibres
(p) Reticular lamina
(e) Inner phalangeal cells
(q) Space of Nuel
(f) Basilar cells
(r) Tectorial membrane
(g) Blood vessel
(s) Inner hair cell
(h) Pillar of Corti
(t) Inner tunnel
(i) Cuter phalangeal cell
(j) Homogenous substance
(k) Transverse fibres Basilar membrane
(1) Connective fibres
V. Curves:

1. Traveling wave

An undulating wave is seen to travel from one end of the basilar membrane to the other. It's amplitude is varied continually and also its pattern from moment to moment.

As the wave proceeds, its amplitude rises steadily to a maximum and then rapidly falls towards zero. The upper wave represents the pressure caused in Cochlea by
by outward thrust of Stapes. The lower wave corresponding to inward thrust of Stapes.

Wave represented in this figure indicate maximum displacement near middle of basilar membrane. 2. Action potential curve:

Peak N, represents the actionpotential peak. CM indicates that the response is of Cochlear microphonics.

N , comes from the auditory nerve while CM is from the Cochlea.

Latency is the time gap between onset of stimulus and occurence of peak.

Amplitude is taken from the maximum peak level.
The curve gives information regarding the auditory nerve.
3. Cochlear microphonic input - output function is represented in tne figure. It is characterized by 3 regions.
i) The first region is a straight line and here the Co-chlear microphonic is directly proportional to the strength of the stimulating sound. The relationship between the 2 is linear.
ii) Second region extends between departure from linearity and maximum of function. It is characterized by increasing amount of distortion (nonlinearity).
iii) It is the microphonic function beyond maximum which decreases with further increase in intensity.

## PSYCHOPHYSICS

1. The term 'psychoacoustics' was coined by whom?
2. What is 'auditory sensation'?
3. What is the main assumption in MAF technique?
4. What is the assumption in MAP?
5. Why should the variations in results be accounted
for the method used?
6. 3 main factors influencing frequency discrimination
are $\qquad$ and $\qquad$ .
7. 2 conditions under which a normally effective auditory stimulus may fail to arouse a sensation include
i)
ii)
8. What is 'masking level difference'?
9. Fechner in 1860 .
10. it is the perception of any stimulus whose frequency, intensity conditions are such that it falls between the threshold of audibility and feeling.
11. The sound pressure as measured by the microphone is the same sound pressure that is effective in eliciting a threshold response.
12. It is assumed that the equivalent volume (ie. volume of coupler $=$ equivalent volume enclosed under the earphone being worn by the listener) is primary factor and others are relatively insignificant.
13. Because it is presumed that the sound pressure to elicit a threshold is constant.

6* frequency, intensity and duration.
7. i) When stimulus is accompanied by another sound which obliterates or masks it.
ii) When the stimulus is preceded by a sound which leaves the organism unresponsive or fatigued
8. It is the difference between the threshold obtained in monaural and biaaural masking situations.
I. Select an answer among the two correctly:

1. A stimulus can be detected provided it is presented
at $\qquad$ intense sound pressure.
(Highly, appropriately)
2. The sound pressure required to hear a tone depends upon the way in which the sound pressure is $\qquad$ .
(measured, perceived)
3. Frequency discrimination tends to $\qquad$ as sound pressure increases.

> (improve, worsen)
4. As one increases the frequency of the stimuli, the difference between the stimuli must become $\qquad$ in order for the listener to perceive the difference. (larger, smaller)
5. As duration is lengthened, the increment between 2 stimulus values must be made $\qquad$ in order for the listener to perceive the difference between the 2 stimuli.
6. Loudness is a $\qquad$ method of magnitude estimation.
(direction, indirect)
7. For short durations, loudness declines as duration is
(highly, less)
9. The upper limen is the average point at which the listener judges the variable to be the same as the standard on a $\qquad$ trial.
(ascending, descending)
10. Intensity differences are important in the localization of frequencies $\qquad$ 300 Hz .
(above, below)
11. Phase differences aid in localization of $\qquad$ frequencies.
(low, high)
12. The larger the difference between upper and lower limens the $\qquad$ the differential sensitivity.

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(greater, lesser)
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13. The frequencies for which absolute threshold is are the same frequencies for which intensity discrimination is best.
(largest, smallest)
II. You need to select among 2 or 3 answers appropriately.
14. The intensity of a sound can be measured directly with instruments. If intensity of a sound is measured today and will be measured tomorrow, it will be
(different, seme, higher, lower)
15. In the method of constant stimuli, the stimuli are presented to the listener in a $\qquad$ order.
(random, serial)
16. $\qquad$ type of error can bias our results.
(variable, constant)
17. Variability of results under identical situations is called $\qquad$ error.
(variable, constant)
18. In the method of adjustment, point of subjective equality lies $\qquad$ between upper and lower limens.

$$
\text { (3/4 way, } 1 / 2 \text { way, } 1 / 4 \text { way ) }
$$

6. Constant error is a $\qquad$ tendency. (systematic, random)
7. Masking level difference is a measure of $\qquad$ or binaural release from masking.
(masking, unmasking)
8. The binaural advantage can only be realized if the stimuli are presented to 2 ears not at the same SPL but
at $\qquad$ .
(equal intensity level, equal loudness level)
9. To maintain equal loudness as one changes the frequency, it is necessary to change the $\qquad$
10. Minimum audible angle is $\qquad$
11. Our measures of intensity are only as precise and certain as our $\qquad$ .
12. Formula for Difference Limen with given upper limen and lower limen is $\qquad$ .

## Answers

I.

1. appropriately.
2. measured.
3. improve.
4. larger.
5. greater.
6. indirect.
7. shortened.
8. highly.
9. descending.
10. above.
11. low.
12. greater.
13. smallest.
II.
14. same
15. random
16. constant
17. variable
18. $1 / 2$ way
19. systematic
20. unmasking
21. equal loudness level
22. sound pressure
23. $1 / 3$ to $1 / 2^{\circ}$
24. instrument.
25. $\mathrm{DL}=\left(\mathrm{L}_{\mathrm{U}}-\mathrm{L}_{1}\right)$

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## True or False

1. Audiograms help in comparing degree of the problem with normals whereas SPL plotted against frequency does not.

True/False
2. We appreciate speech because of discriminability and otherwise not.

## True/False

3. The terms 'Temporal extent' and 'perceived duration' are equivalent.

True/False
4. The magnitude of variable error is predictable in any procedure.

True/False
5. An observer's ability to detect a difference between 2 physical stimuli is constant.

True/False
6. The terms 'adaptation' and 'fatigue' are not the same.

True/False
7. The binaural gain of 3 dB at threshold is a great advantage for normal hearing persons.

True/False

Answers

1. True.
2. True.
3. False.
4. False.
5. False.
6. True.
7. False.

This section deals with numbers and names.

1. Our ear is capable of discriminating changes as small as the following:
a) 1 or 2 parts in 10
d) in frequency
b) 1 or 2 parts in 1000
e) in intensity
c) 1 or 2 parts in 100
f) in duration.
2. i) Interaural difference in intensity is dB
ii) Interaural difference in time is $\qquad$ secs.
iii) Interaural difference for phase is $\qquad$ (at 100 Hz ).
3. Difference in optimal performance in moraurai Vs binaural listening for
i) intensity discrimination is $\qquad$
ii) frequency discrimination is $\qquad$
4. a) 2 other names for difference limen include $\qquad$ and $\qquad$ .
b) Physchological response to physical stimuli is called by the name $\qquad$ .
c) 3 other names for "frequency filtering" are $\qquad$ ,
$\qquad$ and $\qquad$ .

## Answers

1. a) - f)
b) - d)
c) - e)
2. i) 0.5 dB
ii) 0.000012 sec .
iii) 0.3
3. i) 0.2 dB .
ii) $3 \%$
4. a) Differential threshold. Just noticeable difference.
b) Sensation.
c) Frequency selectivity, Frequency analysis and Frequency resolution.

## INSTRUMENTS AND CALIBRATION

A. Noise measurement

1. Why noise measurement?
2. Which are the 2 most widely used criteria of noise exposure?
3. What is ONEL?
4. What are the 2 differences between ISO and OSHA?
5. The method of noise measurement depends on many factors. What are they?
6. How to measure
a) steady noise?
b) when noise level varies with time?
c) when noise varies unpredictably?
7. Which are the absolute methods of noise measurement?
8. Support instruments used with SLM include:
9. Noise measurement includes the following fields:
B. Sound and Instruments
10. What is sound?
11. What is audiometry?
12. What are the 2 important functions of an audiometer?
13. What are the advantages of a microprocessor?
14. Various parameters of audiometric calibration are
$\qquad$ and $\qquad$ .
15. Calibration types include $\qquad$ and $\qquad$
16. Subjective Calibration can be done in 3 ways. What are they?
17. Objective-biological calibration can be done using
$\qquad$ , $\qquad$ and.
18. Objective calibration includes $\qquad$ and $\qquad$ .
19. What is a microphone?
20. What is a earphone?
21. What is harmonic distortion in dBs?
22. Intensity calibration includes $\qquad$ and $\qquad$ .
23. Frequency calibration includes $\qquad$ , $\qquad$ , and $\qquad$ .
24. Time characteristics of a tone includes $\qquad$ and $\qquad$ .
25. $\qquad$ is used for measuring the sound level.
26. SLM can be calibrated using a $\qquad$ or
27. The first speech audiometer was used as a group screening instrument. 19. Audiometers used tor diagnostic puposes can be of $\qquad$ or $\qquad$ type.
28. For TDH- 39 earphone,
i) the frequency range is $\qquad$ .
ii) the impedance value is $\qquad$ .
29. Two advantages of circumanral phones over supraawsel are $\qquad$ and $\qquad$ .
30. $\qquad$ is the lab reference SLM. 23.

Integrating SLM measures $\qquad$ .

## C. Calibration

1. For puretones, the air conduction output calibration measurements are done at $\qquad$ dial setting, and for bone-conduction at $\qquad$ .
2. The attenuator should be linear with 0.3 of interval step (or 1.5 dB , whichever is smaller). This is according to $\qquad$ .
3. Harmonic distortion can be expressed as
or $\qquad$ .
4. While measuring puretone's distortion, the SLM scale selected is $\qquad$ .
5.For bone conduction, maximum permissible total harmonic distortion is $\qquad$ except at 250 Hz where it is allowable upto $\qquad$ -.
5. In the output SPL of noise signal calibration, attenuator dial is set at $\qquad$ _.
6. In speech and white noise calibration, the output level is measured with SLM in $\qquad$ setting.
7. Distortion should be measured at $\qquad$ and $\qquad$ harmonics.
8. Rise and decay times are controlled by $\qquad$ -
9. i) Period of the tone $=$ $\qquad$ $+$ $\qquad$ .
ii) A duty cycle = $\qquad$ .
10. In Vu meter calibration one checks
a)
b)
c)

## Answers

A. Noise

1. 2) Because of adverse effects of noise.
2) In industrial set up (for compensation cases)
3) Noise control
4) For construction of audiometric rooms, and to check noise levels in them periodically.
5) In community; a noise source might create disturbances.
2. ISO's R 1999 and America's OSHA.
3. It is the occupational noise exposure limit, which is equal to 90 dB (A).
4. i) The way in which they express noise exposure.
ii) duration limits at noise levels other than 90 dB (A).
5. i) What the noise problem is?
ii) The ultimate use of data obtained for future references.
6. a) SLM can be used directly to evaluate noise dose.
b) Partial noise doses are computed and summed.
c) Noise dosemeters can be used.
7. Precision method, Engineering method and Survey method.
8. Tape recorder (for data recording) and Level recorder (for frequency spectrogram).
9. Free field measurements. Reverberant field or diffuse field method. Semireverberant field method. Anechoic hemispherical space. Anechoic full space. Sound pressure measurements in field conditions (field method).
B. Sound and Instruments
10. It is fast oscillatory movement of air which produces pressure variations detectable by ear.
11. It is the measurement of a person's hearing ability as compared to a refeference hearing level.
12. i) It produces a variable sound level at standardized frequencies in an earphone, and
ii) It records the minimum level that subject can hear and compares it to a reference threshold level for each frequency and for each ear.
13. i) Precise testing results
ii) Elimination of source of human variables in manual testing and self recording audiometry.
iii) It is advantageous especially in occupational hearing conservation.
14. intensity, frequency and time characteristics.
15. objective and biological.
16. (1) Biological method (using reference threshold levels of a person from a calibrated audiometer).
(2) Testing persons with normal hearing and finding out average threshold.
(3) Loudness balance technique - which needs matching output of a calibrated audiometer to the one to be calibrated.
17. impedance bridge, few subjects and audiometer to be calibrated.
18. Acoustic checks, and Laboratory Calibration.
19. It is a transducer which converts acoustical energy into electrical one.
20. It is a transducer that converts electrical energy into acoustical energy.
21. It is the $d B$ difference between the fundamental and its respective harmonics.
22. Output SPL and attenuation linearity.
23. Frequency analysis, frequency response, frequency bandwidth and harmonic distortion.
24. Temporal parameters (rise, decay times), and phase characteristics.
25. Sound level meter.
26. Pistonphone or acoustic calibrator.
27. Western Electric 4A.
28. Manual or automatic
29. i) 100 to 8000 Hz .
ii) 10 ohms.
30. greater attenuation of noise and constant threshold responses.
31. Type '0'.
32. steady level of time varying noise.
C. Calibration
33. 60 dB HL, $40<3 B \mathrm{HL}$.
34. ANSI, 1969.
35. decibels or percentage.
36. linear.
37. $3 \%, 6-12 \%$.
38. 80 dB HL .
39. linear.
40. second and third.
41. interruptor switch.
42. i) on-time + off-time
ii) $\frac{\text { on time }}{\text { period }} \mathbf{X} 100$
43. a) overshoot or under shoot.
b) response time of the needle, and
c) relative accuracy of Vu meter in dB scale.

True/False

1. TDH- 39 MX 41/AR earphone cannot be used to simulate a free field sound source.
2. Circumaural headset is calibrated as the standard, NBS- 9A coupler.
3. TDH- 39 MX 41/AR earphone is appropriate when constant eardrum sound pressure is desired.
4. One has to keep the intensity level constant while calibrating AC output level for all frequencies.
5. Distortion factor meter gives distortion in decibels.
6. Distortion should be measured at all harmonics.

Answers

1. True.
2. False.
3. True.
4. True.
5. False.
6. False.
A. Intensity Calibration
7. A.C output level calibration proceedure using frequency analyzer requires

Frequency analyzer (B \& K 2107)
Preamplifier (B \& K 2627)
Artificial ear (4152) and condenser microphone.

Connect these instruments.
2. Ac output level calibration using a SLm requires

Sound level meter (B \& K 2203 with
Octave filter set 1613)
Artificial ear (4152)
Condenser microphone (4144)
Label the above in the figure below

3. B.C output level calibration using frequency analyzer needs

4. $\qquad$ Calibration with sound level meter requires the following.

B. Frequency Calibration

1. Puretone frequency analysis can be done by using
$\qquad$ or $\qquad$ .
2. Frequency analysis can be done by $\qquad$ or measurement.
3. One usually employed for frequency analysis is
$\qquad$ measurement.
4. Acoustic measurement can be done using $\qquad$ methods.
5. Puretone frequency analysis employing frequency counter requires the following.

6. For finding out frequency characteristics of a noise signal equipment required include,

Artificial ear, condenser Microphone, Audiofrequency analyzer, level recorder, pre-amplifier connect them.

## C. Distortion Measurements

1, Distortion can be measured using $\qquad$ , $\qquad$ and $\qquad$ .
2. Set up for total harmonic distortion measurement is

3. Pure-tone total harmonic distortion measurement using sound level meter with octave filter set requires Artificial ear, condensory microphone, sound level meter and octave filter set. Make the necessary connections.
4. The difference between $S P L$ of the fundamental frequency and harmonics should be atleast $\qquad$ dB.
D. Speech-unit calibration

1. For speech, similar equipment and procedures (as for puretone calibration) are needed, but $\qquad$ is set
for $\qquad$ testing.
2. For speech output level calibration, the equipment required include Artificial ear, condensor microphone, sound level meter and $\qquad$ .
3. For Vu meter calibration one needs Audio-oscillator, Electronic Switch, Ac milli voltmeter and linear attenuator.

4. Sound field calibration of speech is done by procedure, which requires a
5. The setup for above is

E. Noise - intensity calibration
6. Same equipment and procedure as employed in puretone Ac output level calibration is required.

True/False
2. To avoid interference by ambient noise in these measurements, the output should be measured at a higher level. Hence the attenuator is set at $\qquad$ .
3. If output is measured through a insert receiver (using a $\qquad$ cc coupler), these outputs can't be compared directly to earphone measured (expected SPLs) using a $\qquad$ cc coupler. Why?
A. Intensity Calibration

2. Sim With Artificial filter - $\begin{gathered}\text { ear with } \\ \text { microphone }\end{gathered}-$ Audiometer
3. ? Artificial mastoid with bone vibrator.
4. B.C. output level.
B. Frequency calibration

1. Electronic counter or oscilloscope
2. acoustic or electrical
3. electrical
4. real-ear
5. Audiometer Counter.
6. 


C. Distortion Measurements

1. Frequency analyzer, Distortion factormeter and sound level meter.
2. ? - Sound level meter
3. 


4. 30 .
D. Speech Unit Calibration

1. audiometer, Speech.
2. Beat frequency oscillator (or a standard signal source).
3. Audio-oscillator -- Electronic_Audiometer

Voltmeter
4. Loudspeaker output level calibration, freefield calibration setup.
5. ? Subject's head position.
E. Noise - intensity calibration.

1. True.
2. 80 dB HL
3. 2 y 6

It is because thresholds are shows to vary as
much as 20 dB between insert receivers and earphones.

## EVALUATION SHEET

To the readers

1. Did you have difficulty in understanding the questions? if so,
a. Were the questions ambiguos?
b. Were the questions not very specific?
c. Were the questions irrelevant?
d. If none of the above, please specify the problem encountered along with the chapter, pase and questions.
2. Did you find this question bank useful? If so, mention for what purpose(s) it was useful, like for interview, examination, teaching etc.

Your suggestions for making this work more useful are welcome.


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