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#### INTRODUCTION

In the field of Speech and Hearing, there are training programs in several parts of the country and also at several levels. The major aim of training program is the development of 'Critical skills'. Such skills in the field of Speech and Hearing would include the knowledge of structure and functions of the organs of speech hearing, clinical procedures for testing, digits related to these etc.

There is an exceedingly large number of digits of interest in the various section and subsections of Audiology. It is difficult to know what each one of them signifies and it is also that many aspects may be related to one digit etc. It is therefore felt that a collection of such digits together with their description would prove useful. Such an attempt has been made in the following pages. Digits with different units like centimeters, milimeters, Hertz, c.c, etc. have been covered.

The main objective is to get collective information about different digits which serve as a guide to those appearing for interviews and conducting interviews.

The implications are:-

1. It is expected that this would be useful particularly to students who are new to the course and being exposed to digits, might find it difficult to appreciate their significance. The ready availability of the explanation for these digits will thus serve useful purpose for reference.

 The digits included here, are from subject areas, that individuals receiving training in the field of audiology, be familiar with.

3. The set of digits are designed to function as a selfstudy guide as well as a supplemental text for courses in Audiology and hearing sciences. It covers some aspects of the fundamentals of Audiology.

4. This can be considered as a reference for setting questions.

5. Even for those who are working in this field of audiology, and who are familiar with the technical jargon, this work might be of interest, to be used whenever required for reference.

An indepth study of the implication of the different digits is beyond the scope of this work. What has been attempted is to explain the significance of the digits.

# INSTRUCTIONS TO USE THE BOOK

In this book numbers have been arranged in an ascending order. In the initial part, decimels are included which is followed by numbers like 0, 1, 2, 3, etc.

In each number, for e.g., 2, there are different aspects in the same digit. So, here it is arranged as follows: embryology, anatomy, physiology, and testing. All the numbers have been arranged in this order.

Some digits have capital letters in the beginning of sentence and other have lower case letters. They have to be read in the following way:

- eg: 2 Stimuli are used in adaptation. They are:
  - Adapting stimulus and
  - Comparing stimulus
  - 4.c.c of air enclosed in the meatus and in the first recess of the auricle.

If the sentence begins with lower case letter, as given above, then number should also be read with the sentence. And in case, where the sentence begins with capital letter, then digit which is present in the beginning should be deleted, it is present in the sentence.

- Eg: 4th During the 4th week of fetal life, the pinna develops.
  - 4 minutes The adapting stimulus is presented continuously for 4 minutes in adapting ear after preadapted balances, in delayed loudness balance method of adaptation.

#### DIGITS OF AUDIOLOGISTS

# FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE STARTING TO READ.

- 0.00005mm<sup>2</sup> is the area of the synaptic cleft or synaptic gap (the space between 2 nerve cells)
- 0.0002dynes/cm<sup>2</sup> is the reference for common sound measurement.
- 0.0005µF is the internal capacitance of a sound cell crystal microphone. It ranges upto 0.015µF.
- $0.005389 \mbox{mm}^2$  is the maximum cross-sectional area of the organ of cortl.
- 0.03µF is the internal capacitance of a diaphragm actuated crystal microphone.
- 0.03mm is the diameter of the largest neurons in the acoustic nuclei.
- 0.08mm<sup>2</sup> is the area of helicotrema. It ranges upto 0.04mm<sup>2</sup>.
- 0.01mm is the thickness of the tympanic membrane.
- 0.1mm is the thickness of the basilar membrane at the apex.
- O.lmmsec Tone pips are produced by passing a O.lmsec tone, through 1/3rd octave filter.
- O.lmmsec Tone bursts are produced by passing O.lmsec tone, through the filters and its spectrum depends on the characteristic of the filters through which it passes.
- 0.2mm is the thickness of the skin near the tympanic membrane.

- 0.2msec If interaural latency difference is more than 0.2msecs in BSERA, then retrocochlear pathology can be suspected in the ear which shows increased 5th peak latency.
- 0.2sec If rest period between stimuli presentation is less than 0.2sec, then recovery is absent in adaptation.
- 0.2dB is the difference in optimal performance in monaural versus binaural listening, for intensity discrmination.
- 0.28.C.c- If static compliance is lower than 0.28 c.c in impedance audiometry, then it is abnormal, i.e., tympanic membrane is excessively stiff.
- $0.3 \text{cm}^2$  is the cross sectional area of the external auditory meatus. It ranges upto  $0.5 \text{cm}^2$ .
- 0.3µm is the width of the stereocilia on the outermost of the closely spaced multiple rows on each hair cell.
- 0.3 Generally an articulation index of less than 0.3 is taken to be unsatisfactory for good communication.
- 0.4mm- is the diameter of the cross-sectional membranous semi circular canals.
- 0.4 to 1.0cm<sup>3</sup> The volume of the cavity between the end of the earmold and the eardrum is in this range.
- 0.5 cm<sup>2</sup> is the area of the tympanic membrane. It ranges upto 0.9 cm<sup>2</sup>.
- $0.5 \text{cm}^3$  is the volume of ossicles. It ranges upto  $0.8 \text{cm}^3$ .

- 0.5mm is the thickness of the basilar membrane at the first turn.
- 0.5µm is the size of crystals of calcite present in statoconial membrane. It ranges upto 30µm.
- 0.5%- The total harmonic distortion of the sound source should not exceed 0.5%, when the system is being used for the measurement of harmonic distortion.
- 0.5dB The effect of ambient noise or stray electrical or magnetic field in the test result should not be greater than 0.5 dB in electroacoustic measurements.
- 0.5msecs The travelling wave takes about 0.5 msecs to travel from base to apex of the basilar membrane.
- 0.5msec is the absolute refractory period of neurons in the cochlea.
- 0.5msec is the relative refractory period of neurons in the cochlea. It ranges upto 20msecs.
- 0.5 to 0.7 Generally, an articulation index in the range of 0.5 to 0.7 is considered as satisfactory for good communication.
- 0.6cm<sup>3</sup> is the volume of the cavity between the end of the earmold and the eardrum, for the standard type of earmold.
- 0.6c.c.to 0.8 c.c. is the  $C_1$  volume in a child, in impedance audiometry

0.7cm - is the diameter of the earcanal.

0.7 - Generally, an articulation index greater than 0.7 is considered to be very good for good communication.

- 0.8cm is the volume of the cavity between the earmold tip and the eardrum, (with the eardrum closing one end) in series with an acoustic resistance of about 3500hms (Zwislocki, 1971).
- 0.10 dynes/sq cm is the sound pressure while whispering.
- 0.25inch separation should be there between the microphone and the receiver for better feedback in case of In-the-ear tranducers.
- 0.50cm<sup>3</sup> volume of the middle ear is occupied by the ossicles. It ranges upto 0.8cm . (Bekesy, 1960).
- 1.00 to 1.5c.c. is the  $C_1$  volume in an average adult with an intact eardrum, when measured by impedance audiometry.
- 1.08mm is the width of footplate of stapes. It ranges upto 1.66mm.
- 1.2c.c. is the size of the coupler used for testing prelingual children.
- 1.2mtrs According in the ISO recommendation for vehicle noise test, the microphone position should be at an height of 1.2mtrs. above the ground.

1.5cms - is the height of the middle ear cavity.

- 1.7dB poorer speech threshold is obtained with use of open earmolds compared to closed molds, in subjects with flat conductive loss.
- 1.7cms Wavelength of 20KHz is about 1.7cms.
- 2.5 cm  $^3$  is the volume of the concha.
- 2.5mgms is the mass of the stapes.
- 2.5mm is the length of footplate of the stapes. It ranges upto 3.36 mm.
- 2.5dB/sec is the attenuation rate for the signal in Bekesy audiometry.
- 2.5c.c. If static compliance exceeds 2.5c.c. in impedance audiometry, then it is abnormal i.e., tympanic membrane has excessive mobility.
- $2.65 \text{mm}^2$  is the area of footplate of the stapes. It ranges upto  $3.75 \text{mm}^2$  .
- 3.5mm is the length of the stapes from its head to its footplate.
- 3.8secs is the reverberation time of an echo chamber.
- 5.5dB difference in threshold is obtained by forehead and by mastoid placement of boneconduction vibrator at 4000Hz in normals.

- 6.4dB mean difference In thresholds for spondees between monaural direct and indirect listening conditions.
- 644dB is the effect of head shadow for speech thresholds (Tillman, Hasten and Homer, 1963).

6.5mm - is the diameter of the membranous semicircular canals.

- 7.5mm is the length of the malleus. It ranges upto Omm.
- 7.5mtrs According to the ISO recommendations for vehicle noise test, the microphone position should be 7.5mtrs from the vehicle path.
- 7.9sq.mm is the diameter of the tympanic membrane.
- 8.75cm is the radius of the spherical head for auditory localization measurement.
- 9.2dB is the difference between bone conduction thresholds obtained by forehead and mastoid placements in normals, at 1000Hz.
- 9.5dB is the difference between bone conduction thresholds obtained by forehead and mastoid placements in normals, at 2000Hz.
- 9.8dB ( 10dB) is the difference in threshold obtained, for the tones of 20msecs and 500msecs duration (zwislacki, 1960).
- 14.3dB is the difference between bone conduction thresholds obtained by horehead and mastoid placements in normals at 500Hz.

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- 14.6dB is the difference between bone conduction thresholds obtained by forehead and mastoid placements in normals, at 250Hz.
- 17.2mtrs wavelength of 20cycles is about 17.2mtrs.
- 31.52mm is the length of the tunnel of corti.
- $42.9 \text{mm}^2$  is the effective area of the tympanic membrane. It ranges upto  $55 \text{mm}^2$ .
- 98.1mm is the volume of the cochlea.
- 99.99% of energy is reflected back, when sound travels directly from air to fluid media.
- $3.6X10^{-5}$  cu.mm is the volume occupied by the largest neurons in the acoustic nuclei.
- $1.54 \times 10^5$  Q- is the impedance of water.
- 2/3rd The newborn auricle is 2/3rd of the adult sized auricle,
- 2/3rd of inner portion of external auditory meatus is formed by bone.

- 2/3rd area of the tympanic membrane is the effective area.
- 1/2 Anterior 1/2 of the middle ear develops from the 1st branchial arch.
- 1/2 Posterior 1/2 of the middle ear develops from the 2nd branchial arch.
- 2/3rd of lower portion of eustachian tube is formed by cartilage.
- 1/20sec The reflected sound must be 1/20 of a second or longer behind the original sound to be an echo.
- 1/1000sec is the refractory phase of the auditory fibre.
- 1/2sec is the duration of the tone, if presented manually in ABLB technique to each ear.
- 14:1 is the ratio between the effective area of the tympanic membrane and the stapes footplate.
- 17:1 is the ratio between the area of the tympanic membrane and stapes footplate.
- 1.3:1 is the effective ratio between the Malleolar arm and Incudal arm.
  - 2:1 or 1:2 is the frequency ratio corresponds to an octave interval. For example, 250Hz and 500Hz are one octave apart, while the difference between 250Hz and 1000Hz is two octaves.
- OdB hearing level represents a statistical average of threshold levels of normal ears.

- OdB SPL is the average threshold of the human ear = 0.0002  $dynes/cm^2 = 0.0002mlcrobar = 10^{-16} watt/cm^2$ (freefleld in air) =  $10^{-13}watts/ft^2$ .
- OdB HTL refers to the threshold of a person at a particular frequency.
- OdB At 1000Hz and 2000Hz interaural attenuation in boneconduction varies from 0 to 15dB.
- OdB is the magnitude of interaural attenuation for boneconduction at 250 Hz and 500Hz.
- OdB The SPL of OdB SRT varies according to the
  - specific test materials employed, and
  - the methodology used.
- 0 to 100 dB According to American National Standard, the speech audiometers should cover, a range of least from 0 to 100dB, in steps of 2.5dB or less.
- Osec is the reverberation time of an anechoic chamber.
- 0 to 20% scores are observed at 250Hz and 500Hz with cochlear disorders, which is low in SISI test (Jerger, 1975).
- 0 to 70% scores are -ve, indicating normal hearing or a cochlear lesion, in original SISI test. (Jerger and Peterson, 1959).
- $0^*$  According to Green's modified TCP, the hand should be kept at  $0^\circ$  i.e., to the rest position, if the sound becomes completely inaudible.
- 0 to 5 dB tone decay indicate normal (Rosenberg, 1958).
- 0 to 4msecs is the latency of the very early response, which is observed in electrocochleography.

- 1 pair of branchial arches are responsible for the development of external auditory meatus.
- 1st Tympanic cavity and eustachian (auditory) tube develops from 1st pharyngeal pouch.
- 1st Malleus, Incus and Tensor tympanic muscle develops from 1st branchial arch.
- lcm is the diameter of the concha. It ranges upto 2 cms.

lmm - is the thickness of the skin near the concha.

 $lcm^{3}-is$  the volume of the ear canal.

1 - annular ligament is attached to the stapes.

lmm - is the diameter of bony canal of the semi circular canal. lcm - is the width of the cochlea.

- 1 row of inner hair cells is present in the organ of corti.
- 1 kiniocilium is present in each sensory cell in the vestibular receptor organ.

1msec - is the functional refractory period of nerve fibres,

dyne/sq cm - is the sound pressure of a normal voice.

- ldB increments can be detected by normal hearing subjects at higher frequencies in SISI test.
- 1dB increments at sound levels (75 dB HTL) with low scores suggest a retrocochlear lesion in SISI test.
- ldB increments at 20 dBSL with high scores suggests a cochlear lesion in SISI test.
- ldB Tracking width for the 500msec tones used in Brief tone audiometry is ldB greater than the width obtained for the 200msec tones used in Bekesy audiometry.

- lsec If the rest period between successive stimulus presentation is less than lsec, but more than 0.2sec, then recovery is not complete in adaptation.
- lsec If rest period between successive stimulus presentation exceeds lsec,then recovery is complete in adaptation. (Mathews, 1931).
- lsec is the duration of comparative stimulus in delayed balance method of adaptation.
- lsec is the duration of comparative stimulus in single simutaneous dichotic loudness balance method or modified SDLB. (studebaker and Stockinger)
- $1^{\circ}$  is the minimum audible angle for low and high frequencies for auditory localization and for frequencies between 1500 and 2000Hz, it is large.

(Minimum audible angle - The smallest change in azimuth from which the listener could identify the direction of change correctly on 75% of the trials is called minimum audible angle).

- 1NOY is noisiness experienced when a 40dBSPL narrow band noise centering at 1KHz is presented.
- 2nd Ossification of the bony part of external auditory meatus is completed by 2nd year of life.
- 2nd branchial arch is responsible for the development of the handle of malleus, lenticular process of the incus and stapes and also stapedius muscle.

- 2 Normal human beings have 2 ears.
- 2 Portions of the tympanic membrane are:-
  - Upper smaller portion (Pars flaccida) and Lower larger portion (Pars tensa).
- 2 layers are present in Pars flaccida. They are:
  - Skinny (Epithelial) layer, and
  - Mucous layer.
- 2 types of fibers in the medial (fibrous) layer of tympanic membrane are:- Radial fibres and Circular fibres.

2mm - is the length of the middle ear cavity. It ranges upto 7 or 8 2cm - is the volume of the middle ear cavity.

- 2 muscles in the middle ear are:
  - Tensor tympani, and
  - Stapedius.
- 2 ligaments are attached to the Incus. They are:-
  - Anterior ligament and
  - Posterior ligament.

2mm - is the diameter of the eustachian tube.

2 - windows which are present in the medial wall of the middle ear are:

- Round window and
- Oval window.
- $2mm^2$  is the area of the round window.
- 2 labyrinths in inner ear are:-
  - Bony labyrinth and
  - Membranous labyrinth.

2cm - is the length of the bony labyrinth.

- 2 opening of lateral semicircular canal are present in the lateral wall of the utricle.
- 2 portions of the basilar membrane are:
  - Zona arcuata and
  - Zona pectinata.
- 2 layers of cells are present in the Reissner's membrane.
- 2 types of hair cells in the organ of corti are:
  - Outer hair cells and
  - Inner hair cells.

2 - types of fibres of hair cells are:

- Type 1 or afferent fibres and
- Type 2 or efferent fibres.
- 2 maculae of each ear are capable of detecting accelerating forces in all planes of space.
- 2nd shortest nerve among cranial nerves is the Auditory nerve while the 1st shortest nerve is the Olfactory nerve.
- 2 divisions of the Auditory nerve are:
  - Vestibular division and
  - Cochlear division.
- 2 branches of all central cochlear fibres are:
  - Anterior branch and
  - Posterior branch.
- 2 For physiological purposes, the ear is divided into 2 parts. They are:
  - Conducting apparatus and
  - Perceiving apparatus.
- 2 functions of inner ear are:
  - Hearing and
  - Balance.

- 2 Advantages of having 2 ears are:
  - Ease in listening,
  - Directional hearing is enhanced,
  - Selective listening (or Cocktail party effect)
  - Better detection of speech,
  - Localization,
  - Greater power for auditory discrimination.
- 2 Information about the frequency of a sound may be signalled by auditory receptors in 2 ways. They are:
  - Place principle, and
  - Telephonic principle.
- 2 to 3dB is contributed by torso for localization of sounds.
- 2 Octaves is the range of voice in males while singing.
- 2% is the incidence of hearing loss in Waardenberg's syndrome.
- 2 types of refractory period are:
  - Absolute refractory period, and
  - Relative refractory period.
- 2 types of earphones are:
  - External earphone, and
  - Insert type.
- 2 couplers which approximate more closely to the human ear are:
  - IEC coupler, and
  - Zwislocki coupler.
- 2 types of recordings in psychogalvanic skin response are:
  - Exogenic, and
  - Endogenic.
- 2 synonyms for difference limen are:
  - Differential threshold, and
  - Just noticeable difference.
- 2 Important cues for sound localization are:
  - Intensity difference, and
  - Phase difference of the signals arriving at the 2 ear

- 2 factors which determine loudness are:
  - Number of activated neural units, and
  - Rate of firing of neurons.
- 2 types of hearing aids based on the mode of sound conduction are:
  - Air conduction hearing aid, and
  - Bone conduction hearing aid.
- 2 dimensions on the audiogram are:
  - Frequency along the abscissa, and
  - Intensity along the ordinate.
- 2 symbols are used to plot the air conduction threshold points. They are:
  - '0' for right ear, and
  - 'X' for left ear.
- 2 In speech audiometry, speech testing materials may be introduced in 2 ways, either through -
  - microphone (referred to as monitored live-voice testing), or
  - disc or tape recording.
- 2 In speech audiometry, 2 ways of recording spondee words are: - W-l, (consists of lists of 36 spondaic words recorded at a conversation level).
  - W-2, (Spondaic word lists with attenuation at an average of ldB per word).
- 2KHz to 50megahertz is the frequency range of sound through water.
- 2 An octave is the interval between 2 sounds having a basic ratio of 2.
- 2cm<sup>3</sup> is the volume of the cavity between the end of the earmold and the eardrum and the equivalent volume of the eardrum compliance.

- 2 to 3inches separation should be there between 2 microphones, especially for children recommended to use binaural amplification, while the ears are separated by 7 or 8 inches.
- 2 types of amplifier circuits are used in hearing aids. They are:
  - Class A or Single ended amplifier, and
  - Class B or Pushpull amplifier.
- 2% The total harmonic distortion of the sound source should not exceed 2%, when the system is being used for general hearing aid response measurements.
- 2dB drop will result at low frequencies and at high frequencies, when the volume of the cavity between the end of the earmold and the eardrum is increased by shortening the earmold tip, with other factors remaining constant.
- 2 types of compression amplifiers used in hearing aids are:- Limiter (compression limiting) and
  - Compressors..
- 2 types of output limiting used in hearing aids are:
  - Peak clipping, and
  - Compression amplification.
- 2 types of hearing aids are:
  - Individual hearing aid, and
  - Group hearing aid.
- 2 There are 2 tests to determine binaural candidacy. They are:
  - Determine monaural most comfortable levels,
  - Obtain binaural balance.

(Mercola and Mercola, 1985).

- 2 types of crystal microphones in general use are:
  - The direct actuated, and
  - The indirectly actuated.
- 2 There are 2 angles at the extreme ends of cords. They are:Adiflex (The cord emerges from the plug along the same plane as the contact pins)
  - Angleflex (The cord emerges at right angles to the contact pins).
- 2 The 2 instruments commonly used to measure cord conti
  - nuity are:
  - Cord and Battery tester, and
  - Multimeter.
- 2 Types of shell molds are:
  - Shell (with tube)
  - 1/2 shell (without tube)
- 2 types of canal molds are:
  - Canal (with tube)
  - Canal lock (without tube)
- 2dB better speech threshold is obtained with standard molds in subjects with gradually sloping sensorineural loss, (about 7dB per octave across the speech range)
- 2dB better speech threshold is obtained with the open mold, in subjects with sharply sloping sensorineural loss. (25 dB per octave across the speech range)
- 2 room set-up is necessary for speech audiometry, and is favourable for pure-tone audiometry.
- 2 psychophysical methods employed in puretone audiometry are:
   Method of limits, and
   Method of adjustments.

- 2 to 5dB increments at 20 dBSL with low scores suggest a retrocochlear lesion in SISI test.
- 2 types of tests for loudness balance used clinically are:
   Alternate binaural loudness balance and
   Monaural loudness balance method.
- 2 tones are presented alternately to the 2 ears in ABLB test.
- 2 reference intensity levels (20 and 40 dBSL) in ABLB test with poorer ear as the reference ear, (Jerger) will result in faster and more accurate establishment of recruitment versus no recruitment.
- 2 types of test stimuli used in Bekesy audiometry are:
  - Continuous tone, and
  - Interrupted tone.
- 2 types of frequency tracings in Bekesy audiometry are:
  - Sweep frequency tracings and
  - Fixed frequency tracings.
- 2 types of very late responses in electroencephalic audiometry are:
  - Expectancy wave, and
  - Contingent negative variation.
- 2 tones are presented at 2 rates in Brainstem evoked response audiometry. They are:
  - 2K logon stimuli 5times/sec.
  - 2K logon stimuli 20times/sec.
- 2 to 3msecs is the rise decay time for tone pips.
- 2 approaches to tympanogram interpretation are:
  - Coding system (Jerger, 1970)
  - Descriptive analysis of tympanograms

(Feldman, 1975, 1976a)

- 2 types of acoustic reflex measurements are;
  - Ipsilateral reflex measurement, and
  - Contralateral reflex measurement.
- 2minutes 50% of recovery takes place within 2minutes after adaptation.
- 2 stimuli used in adaptation are:
  - Adapting stimulus, and
  - Comparing stimulus.
- 2 hypotheses to explain levelling of adaptation in Simultaneous dichotic loudness balance method are:
  - Jerger's hypothesis, and
  - Palva's hypothesis.
- 2 ways of varying the stimulus in simultaneous dichotic loudness balance method of adaptation are:
  - Fixed intensity steps, and
  - Tracking method.
- 2 Ears protecting devices can be classified into 2 types. They are:
  - Worn by the person (Earplug, Semi-inserts, earmuffs, and helmets)
  - Enclosures (Person being put in enclosure).
- 2 types of noise analyzers are:
  - Constant band width, and
  - Constant percentage narrow band (Jones, 1967).

3rd week - During the 3rd week of fetal life, auditory placode is formed.

3rd week - During the 3rd week of fetal life, tubotympanic recess is formed.

- 3 germinal layers are responsible for the development of inner ear. They are:
  - Ectoderm,
  - Mesoderm, and
  - Endoderm.
- 3 parts of ear are:
  - External ear,
  - Middle ear, and
  - Inner ear.
- 3 layers of Pars tensa in tympanic membrane are:
  - Epithelial layer,
  - Fibrous layer, and
  - Mucosal layer.
- 3 Tympanic cavity is divided into 3 portions. They are:
  - Epitympanum,
  - Mesotympanum, and
  - Hypotympanum.
- 3 ossicles which are present in the middle ear are:
  - Malleus,
  - Incus, and
  - Stapes.
- 3 ligaments are attached to the malleus. They are:
  - Anterior ligament,
  - Superior ligament, and
  - Lateral ligament.
- 3mm is the size of the stapes.

- 3 branches of middle meningeal artery, supplied to the superior region of the middle ear. They are:
  - The superficial petrosal,
  - Superior tympanic arteries, and
  - The ramus nutrica incudomallei.
- 3 types of mastoid are:
  - Pneumatic,
  - Sclerotic, and
  - Mixed.
- 3 parts in bony labyrinth are:
  - Vestibule,
  - Semicircular canals, and
  - Cochlea.

3mm - Oval window has a depth of 3mm.

- 3 semicircular canals are present in inner ear. They are:
  - Posterior,
  - Superior, and
  - Lateral.
- 3 cochlear partition are:
  - Scala vestibuli,
  - Scala media, and
  - Scala tympani.
- 3 types of fluids are found in the cochlea. They are:
  - Perilymph,

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- Endolymph, and
- Cortilymph.
- 3 rows of outer hair cells present in the organ of corti in the cochlea.
- 3 types of cells are present in stria vascularis. They are:
  - Marginal cells,
  - Intermediate cells, and
  - Basal cells.

- 3 cranial nerves concerned with hearing are:
  - 5th (Trigeminal),
  - 7th (Facial), and
  - 8th (Auditory)
- 3 branches of internal auditory artery are:
  - Vestibular,
  - Vestibulocochlear, and
  - Cochlear.
- 3 main primary cochlear nuclei are:
  - The ventral nucleus,
  - The posterior nucleus, and
  - The dorsal nucleus, (often called as tuberculum acusticum).
- 3 main in vestibular nuclei are:
  - Lateral (Deiter's)
  - Superior ^Bechterew's)
  - Medial (schwalbe's)
- 3 or 4 m is the diameter of smaller cell bodies which are present in acoustic nuclei.
- - The intermediate stria(of Held) } called asTrapezoidbody.Acoustic stria
- 3 inherent characteristics of Impedance interact in a complex manner to determine the mobility of a mechanical system. They are:
  - Mass,
  - Resistance, and
  - Stiffness.

- 3 general classifications of hearing losses are:
  - conductive,
  - sensorineural, and
  - Mixed.
- 3 factors important for localization are:
  - Azimuth, (0°, 90°, 180\*),
  - Distance,
  - Elevation\*
- 3 Sound can be transmitted to the inner ear in 3 ways. They are:
  - By way of the ossicular chain, across the middle ear from the vibrating tympanic membrane to the oval window.
  - Directly across the middle ear, when waves fall in the round window membrane. This may occur when there is a large perforation of the drumhead.
  - By bone conduction, sound energy is taken up and transmitted to the inner ear through the bones of the skull.
- 3 modes of vibration in bone conduction are:
  - Inertial,
  - Compression, and
  - Osseo tympanic.
- 3 modes of sound energy transformation in ear are:
  - Air conduction,
  - Bone conduction,
  - Tissue conducted.
- 3 There are 3 steps in hair cell transduction. They are:
  - Mechanical deflection of hairs,
  - Transmission at the synapse,
  - Setting up of discharge in the afferent nerve fibres.

- 3dB is contributed by pinna for localization of sounds.
- 3dB Audiometers should be in calibration within + 3dB from 125 to 4000Hz if it is new.
- 3% is the maximum permissible total harmonic distortion in B/c vibrator, (except at 250 Hz).
- +3% is the allowable tolerance for frequency from a fixed frequency pure tone audiometer.
- 3 requirements for measurement of hearing impairment for speech are:
  - Adequate test materials,
  - Suitable equipment and
  - A baseline of speech thresholds for a group of normal listeners.

(Hudgins et al., 1947).

3 - types of earcushions are:

- Supra aural,
- Circum aural, and
- Combination of above 2.
- 3 synonyms for frequency filtering are:
  - frequency selectivity,
  - frequency analysis, and
  - frequency resolution.
- 3 major tone decay types (Owens, 1964) are:
  - Type I
  - Type II
  - Type III
- 3 electrods used in electroencephalic response audiotnetry are:
  - Vertex electrode,
  - Reference electrode,
  - Ground electrode.

- 3 Electrodes and recording sites used in electrocochleography fall into 3 categories. They are:
  - Transtympanic membrane needle electrodes,
  - Intrameatal electrodes, and
  - Surface electrodes which are attached outside of the ear canal.
- 3 measures obtained in Impedance audiometry are:
  - Tympanogram,
  - Static compliance, and
  - Acoustic reflex.
- 3 features are described in descriptive analysis of tympanograms. They are:
  - Pressure,
  - Amplitude, and
  - Shape.
- 3 to 12dB lower sensation level is necessary to obtain ipsilateral reflex than contralateral reflex threshold. (Moller, 1962).
- 3 stages in adaptation measurement are:
  - Preadapted balances,
  - Adapted balances, and
  - Postadapted balances
- 3 models to explain masking level difference are:
  - O model (or Vector model) by Jeffress
  - Laterization model by Hafter
  - Equalization Cancellation model by Durlach (or Black - box model).
- 3 types of earplugs are:
  - Premolded,
  - Custom made, and
  - Formable.

- 3 types of skeleton molds are:
  - Full skeleton,
  - -1/2 skeleton, and
  - 3/4 skeleton.
- 3 essential controls and accessories in each hearing aid are:
  - Volume control,
  - Earmold, and
  - 'Tubing' in case of behind the ear hearing aids, or 'cord' - in case of body level hearing aids.
- 3 types of classification of cords on the basis of -
  - length-3ft, 2½ft, 2ft, 1½ft.
  - Configuration-V, Y, Single.
  - Plugs-angleflex I, angleflex II.
- 3 markings on tone control are:
  - H (High frequency emphasis)
  - N (Normal response)
  - L (Low frequency emphasis)
- 3 additional electronic circuits available on most body and many ear-level and eyeglass models are:
  - Tone control,
  - Telecoll, and
  - Output limiting control.
- 3 types of ear level hearing aids are:
  - All in the ear,
  - Behind the ear,
  - Eye glass.
- 3dB In subjects with high frequency loss (had an average slope of about 20 dB per octave across the speech range)
  3 dB better speech threshold is obtained with closed molds compared to open molds.

- 3% is the difference in optimal performance in monaural Versus binaural listening for frequency discrimination.
- 3dB improvement in threshold is obtained with binaural hearing aids than monaural hearing aids.
- 3 procedures are there for the selection of binaural aids. They are:
  - Based on discrimination tests,
  - Localization testing, and
  - Split-band technique.
- 3 interaural differences occur in binaural hearing. They are:
  - Time or phase differences,
  - Intensity differences, and
  - Spectral differences.
- 3 The electroacoustic characteristics of a hearing aid can be graphically represented through 3 curves. They are:
  - Gain Versus frequency curve,
  - SPL 90 Versus frequency curve, and
  - Intermodulation Versus frequency curve.
- 3 types of hearing aids on the basis of Gain according to
  - ISI are:
  - Strong gain,
  - Median gain, and
  - Low gain.
- 3 types of hearing aids on the basis of gain are:
  - Mild gain,
  - Moderate gain, and
  - Higher gain.

- 3 different methods of carrying out hearing aid trials are:
  - Prescriptive procedure,
  - Selective procedure, and
  - Combined.
- 3 types of microphones based on polarity are:
  - Unidirectional
  - Bidirectional, and
  - Omnidirectional.
- 3 types of microphones used in different modern hearing aids, either
  - Magnetic, or
  - Ceramic, or
  - Electret.
- 3 basic types of microphones used in noise measurements are:
  - Piezoelectric mic,
  - Dynamic mic, and
  - Condenser mic.
- 3 major types of microphone that are currently available are:
  - Pressure microphone,
  - Velocity or pressure gradient microphone, and
  - Microphones that are the combination of the above 2 classes.
- 3 methods used to measure speech intelligibility in the
  - presence of noise are:
  - Articulation index,
  - Speech interference level, and
  - Preferred speech interference level.
- 3 frequency weighting networks are present in general purpose sound level meters. They are:
  - A,
  - B, and
  - C.

- 3 different types of Sound level dosimeters are:
  - Stationary noise dosimeter,
  - Earborne dosimeter, and
  - Pocket size personal noise dosimeter.
- 3 parameters measured in Graphic level recorder are:
  - Frequency Versus Intensity,
  - Intensity Versus Time,
  - Directional.
- 4th During the 4th week of fetal life, auditory vesicle is formed.
- 4th During the 4th week of fetal life, the pinna develops.
- 4th to 5th During 4th to 5th week of fetal life, primary tympanic membrane is present.
- 4th During the 4th week of fetal life, vestibulo cochlear division is formed.
- 4 quadrants of the tympanic membrane are:
  - Posterior superior,
  - Anterior superior,
  - Posterior inferior,
  - Anterior inferior.
- 4 sections of the auditory (eustachian) tube are:
  - The osseous
  - The cartilaginous,
  - The membranous portion, and
  - The isthmus.
- 4 main vestibular nuclei are:
  - The superior (also known as the angular or Bechterew) nucleus.
    - The lateral (Nucleus of Deiter),
  - The medial (Nucleus triangularis of schwalbe)
  - The descending (Spinal vestibular).

- 4 Only 4 parts of the ear are accessible to visual inspection. They are:
  - Auricle,
  - External auditory meatus,
  - Tympanic membrane, and
  - Eustachian tube.
- 4.5mm shift in the points of maximum stimulation is observed for a change of an octave (doubling) in the sound frequency in the human cochlea.
- 4 to 10 Hz Greater sensitivity to vibration occurs in this frequency range.
- 4 octaves is the range in female human voice while singing.
- 4c.c of air enclosed in the meatus and in the first recess of the auricle.
- 4 common tuning fork tests for the assessment of hearing acuity are:
  - Rinne test,
  - Weber test,
  - Bing test, and
  - Schwabach test.
- 4dB SL tone is presented in Denes and Naunton's ('50) DLI test.
- 4 categories in interpreting ABLB results are:
  - No recruitment,
  - Partial recruitment,
  - Complete recruitment, and
  - Decruitment (abnormally slow loudness growth).
- 4 distinct types of loudness growth in ABLB method are;
  - Asymptotic,
  - Straight line,
  - Delayed, and
  - Delayed asymptotic.

(Harris, Haines and Myers 1952).

- 3 5
- 4 type of classification system to indicate increasing amounts and rates of tone decay used by Morales, Garcia and Hood (1972)are
  - Type-I,
  - Type-II
  - Type-III,
  - Type-IV.
- 4 types of tracings based on the criterion of reduced tracking amplitude in Bekesy audiometry are:

- Type-Iseen in normal hearing and in middle ear lesions,
- Type-II seen in cochlear pathology,
- Type-III seen in retrocochlear pathology,
- Type-IV seen in retrocochlear pathology.
- 4 types of electroencephalic responses are:
  - Early response,
  - Middle response,
  - Late response,
  - Very late response.
- 4msecs is the latency of early response in electroencephalic response audiometry. It ranges upto 8msecs.
- - Response threshold,
  - Response wave form,
  - Rate of change of the response amplitude, and
  - Rate of change of the response latency.

<sup>(</sup>Lundborg, 1952).

- 4 An auditory evoked potential audiometer must accomplish four things. It must:
  - generate an acoustic stimulus,
  - amplify the very small electrical signal from the patient,
  - numerically process the signal from the patient to obtain the averaged waveform and
  - display and/or plot the averaged waveform.
- 4c.c. or 5.0c.c is the C<sub>1</sub> volume in an adult patient if the tympanic membrane is not intact (due to perforation or if the ventilating tube is not intact).
- 4minutes The adapting stimulus is presented continuously for 4 minutes in adapting ear after preadapted balances, in delayed loudness balance method.
- 4 minutes The tone is presented continuously for 4minutes to the adapting ear for adaptation only once in single SDLB. (Studebaker, and Stockinger)
- 4 There are 4 methods of adaptation depending upon the methodology used according to Ward. They are:
  - Monaural concomitant. Eg., TDT.
  - Monaural Residual, Eg., TTS study.
  - Binaural concomitant. Eg., SDLB.
  - Binaural Residual, Eg., ABLB.
- 4minutes is the maximum recovery time after adaptation of the ear. It ranges upto 5minutes.
- 4dB Masking level differences(MLD) for speech intelligibility thresholds is about 4dB for monosyllabic words. When both signal and noise are in phase at the 2 ears, MLD is greater. (Carhart et al., 1967).

4% - is the incidence of hearing loss in Von Recklinghausen's syndrome.

- 4 different types of custom molds are:
  - Regular molds,
  - Skeleton molds,
  - Shell molds,
  - Canal molds.
- 4 basic components in every hearing aids are:
  - Microphone,
  - Amplifier,
  - Receiver, and
  - Power supply (Battery)
- 4 types of classroom amplification systems are:
  - Hard wire system,
  - Induction loop system,
  - Frequency modulation system,
  - Modular and mobile group hearing aid system.
- 4 methods of hearing aid trial under selective procedure are:
  - Carhart's method,
  - Jerger and Haye's method,
  - Zerlin's paired comparison procedure, and
  - Jeffer's paired quality judgement.
- 4 basic considerations during the preselection of hearing aids in children include:
  - the type of instrument,
  - the frequency response,
  - the arrangement of wearable amplification, and
  - the maximum power output.
- 4inches is the optimal distance between the microphone and the teacher's lips to improve S/N ratio, in classroom auditory training system. It ranges upto Sinches.

- 4 factors are responsible for non candidates of binaural amplification. They are:
  - Asymmetrical losses,
  - Degradation effect (cochlear pathology),
  - Fusion problems (8th nerve pathology and central auditory disorders), and
  - Diplacusis.
- 4dB SPL (Sound pressure level) developed in a Zwislocki coupler is about 4dB higher than in 2c.c. coupler for frequencies upto 800Hz.
- 4 types of ear protecting devices based on the mode of wearing are:
  - Earplugs,
  - Semi inserts,
  - Ear muffs and
  - Helmets.
- 4 types of microphones belong to the pressure type are:
  - Carbon microphone,
  - Condenser microphone,
    - Dynamic microphone, and
    - Piezoelectric microphone.
- 4 types of microphones depending on their size (i.e., with respect to diameter) are:
  - 1 inch
  - ½ inch
  - ¼ inch
  - 1/8 inch.
- 4 types of SLMs according to IEC standard are:
  - 0
  - 1
  - 2
  - 2
  - 3

4 - Weighting networks in precision sound level meter are:

- A,
- В,
- C,
- D.
- 4 types of sound level meter according to ANSI 1971, are:
  - Precision SLM,
  - SLM with octave filter set,
  - SLM with its output terminals, and
  - Impulses precision SLM.

5months - At the end of 5 months of fetal life, inner ear reaches adult size.

- 5th month \*ghe inception of hearing starts at 5th fetal month.
- 5 Temporal bone is divided into 5 parts. They are:
  - Squamous portion,
  - Mastoid portion,
  - Petrous portion,
  - Tympanic portion, and
  - Styloid process
- 5 major parts in the middle ear are:
  - Cavity and mastoid air space,
  - Tympanic membrane,
  - Auditory ossicles,
  - Middle ear muscles, and
  - Eustachian tube.
- 5 major suspensory ligaments in the middle ear cavity hold the entire ossicular chair. They are:
  - Anterior malleolar ligament,
  - Posterior malleolar ligament,
  - Lateral malleolar ligament,
  - Anterior incudal ligament,
  - Posterior incuded ligament.

5mm - is the length of short process of the incus (Glattke, T.J) 5th - Stapedius muscle is innervated by the 5th cranial nerve. 5mm -is the axial height of the cochlea.

5mEq/litre - is the sodium concentration in the endolymph.

- 5dB At high frequency ranges, 5dB, improvement in localization is seen because of contribution of head.
- 5dB Hearing level dial graduated in 5dB steps in most of the audiometers.
- 5dB improvement in bone conduction threshold is seen when ear is occluded. It ranges upto 25 dB.
- 5dB Audiometers should be in calibration within 5dB at 6000Hz and 8000Hz, as long as audiometers are used.
- 5dB is the value for central masking at all frequencies in conventional audiometers. It ranges upto 10 dB.
- 5dB Threshold shift as a result of central masking does not exceed about 5dB (Zwislocki, 1953). Liden et al., 1959 say it as 15 dB.
- 5dB The carhart notch introduces an artifact of 5dB in Bone conduction threshold at 500Hz and 4000Hz.
- 5dB improvement in bone conduction threshold is observed in postoperative otosclerotic patients at 500Hz and 4000Hz.

5dB - increments are used first in SISI test, as practice events.

- 5secs is the interval between the successive increments in SISI test.
- 5dB increments are made in the level of the signal, without interrupting, until the subject responds continuously for 60 sec in Carhart's tone decay test.

- 5dB In Carhart's tone decay test, the test is administered 5dB below the established threshold.
- 5dB increments at successive levels the test should be repeated, until an intensity is reached which produces a sensation of tone "indefinitely" in Hood TDT.
- 5dB SL tone is presented in Schubert tone decay test, until the tone disappears.
- 5 dB SL tone is presented in Hood TDT, until the tone is inaudible.
- 5dB or less threshold difference between 500 and 20msecs tones is seen with cochlear involvement, either with or without a conductive component.
- 5 to 10 clicks or tone pips/sec is the rate of presentation of the acoustic signals used in electrocochleography.
- 5dB In delayed loudness balance method of adaptation, 5dB adaptation was observed when 50dB adapting stimulu was used (studebaker and Stockinged

5 - sound test given by Ling. 5 sounds are:

- /a/, - /i/, -/u/, - /s/, and -/ /. which is used in screening.

- 5 essential steps to consider when procuring a hearing aid fo a young child are:
  - Otologic management,
  - Audiologic evaluation,
  - Preselection of hearing aids to be used for the clinical evaluation,
  - Actual hearing aid selection, and
  - Hearing aid recheck.

- 5 methods of hearing aid trial under Prescriptive procedure are:
  - Mirroring the audiogram,
  - Equal loudness procedure,
  - Most comfortable level for speech,
  - Severe high frequency or skislope hearing loss,
  - Bisection of dynamic range.
- 5 microphone characteristics which are necessary for the

purpose of noise measurements are:

- Sensitivity,
- Variation of response with frequency and the ambient conditions,
- Directional properties,
- Nonlinear distortion, and
- Impedance.
- 5 instruments used for noise measurement and analysis are grouped under:
  - Transducer,
  - signal conditioner,
  - Data storage,
  - signal processor, and
  - Display.

(Crockshire, 1972)

5dB - rule is given by Occupational Safety and Health Act (i.e. if the intensity of noise is increased 5dB, then the permissible duration must be reduced by ½% )

6th - During the 6th week of fetal life, 6 hillocks are present which is responsible for the development of pinna. 6th - During the 6th week of fetal life, utricle and saccule are present, and the semicircular canals begin to develop.

6 - walls in the middle ear are:

- Lateral wall,
- Medial wall,
- Anterior wall,
- Posterior wall,
- Roof, and
- Floor.

6mm - is the length of the Incus.

6mm - is the length of the Stapedius muscle.

- 6 to 8 Near the base of the cochlea, each hair cell receives 6 to 8 terminals and hear the apex, rather fewer,
- 6iMn is the diameter of each outer hair cell at its base. Range upto 7tAm.
- 6c.c. of air is enclosed between earphone and the tympanic membrane.
- 6c.c. couplers are used in calibrating audiometer earphones.
- 6dB Minimum audible field (hearing in free field) is on average about 6dB more sensitive than minimum audible pressure (hearing under earphones).
- 6% is the maximum permissible total harmonic distortion, for bone conduction vibrator. Ranges upto 12% at 250Hz.
- 6% is the incidence of sex-linked hearing loss. Range upto 8%.

6months - The life of the hearing aid cord is about 6months when handled carefully.

- 6 subjective advantages of binaural hearing aids are:
  - superior to one aid,
  - easier to listen,
  - easier to use,
  - better spatial orientation,
  - better overall hearing, and
  - require less gain and volume setting.
- 6dB The difference in comfortable level between the ears, should be within 6dB for the client to be a candidate for binaural hearing aids.
- 6dB The difference in uncomfortable level of the 2 ears should be within 6dB+ If difference is greater than 6dB, signal is lateralized to the ear with the higher uncomfortable level, when the hearing aid selected with a higher SSPL has been fitted.
  - 6dB overall reduction in the intensity of speech is caused by the head-shadow.
- 6 parts of sound level meter are:
  - Microphone,
  - Input amplifier,
  - Weighting networks (A,B,C)
  - Output amplifier,
  - Indicating meter, and
  - Power supply.
- 7th During the 7th week of fetal life, one coil is present in the cochlea, utricle and aaccule get the otolith.

- 7th The ventilating function of the eustachian tube is better at 7th year.
- 7th The Stapedius muscle is innervated by 7th cranial nerve.
- 7mm is the length of the mastoid from side to side.
- 7 peaks are observed in early response or Brainstem response. They are:
  - 1st peak originates from Cochlear nerve,
  - 2nd peak originates from Cochlear nucleus,
  - 3rd peak originates from Superior olivary nucleus,
  - 4th peak originates from Lateral laminiscus.
  - 5th peak originates from Inferior colliculus,
  - 6th peak originates from Median geniculate body,
  - 7th peak originates from Auditory radiations.
- 7minutes In moving phantom method of adaptation (given by Wright?, adapting stimulus is presented to the adapting ear continuously for 7minutes.
- 7minutes In asymptotic localization (given by Wright), €he adapting ear is adapted for 7 minutes continuously
- 7dB is the Masking level difference for speech intelligibility thresholds (for spondees). When both signal and noise are in phase, it is greater, (Carhart et al. 1967).
- 7 most important points for high risk are:
  - Familial deafness,
  - Rubella during pregnancy,
  - Birth weight 1500gss or less,
  - Congenital malformations: external ear? cleft lip and/or palateymultiple anomalies.
  - Apnea and cyanosis (APGAR score 1 to 4)
  - Hyperbilirubinemia: 20mg/100ml and over,
  - Severe infections (neonatal).

- 8th During the 8th week of fetal life, primary meatus is formed; Incus and malleus are present in the form of cartilage, tower half of the tympanic cavity is also formed; Fluid in the vestibule and cochlea are connected by means of ductus reuniens.
- 8 different types of supporting cells in the organ of corti are:
  - Inner border cells,
  - Pillar cells, inner and outer (rods or corti),
  - Deiter cells,
  - Claudius cells,
  - Boettcher cells,
  - Inner phalyngeal cells,
  - Hensen cells, and
  - Sulcus cells.
- 8 notes of a musical scale is an octave.
- 8msecs is the latency of middle response in electroencephalic response audiometry. Ranges upto 50msecs.
- 8% speech discrimination between the two ears should not vary by more than 8%, for the client to be a candidate for binaural hearing aids.
- 8 factors with a possible effect on binaural hearing aid candi dacy are:
  - degree of hearing impairment,
  - patterns of hearing impairment,
  - minimum stimulation in terms of speech intensity required for an ear to contribute to binaural heating or speech,
  - cause of deafness,
  - previous experience with binaural hearing aids,
  - speech audiometry measurements,
  - diplacusis,
  - reverberation.

- 9th During the 9th week of fetal life, 3 tissue layers at the tympanic membrane are present (3 layers are epithelial, fibrous and mucosal layers).
- 9th During the 9th week of fetal life, tympanic ring is formed as a membranous bone.
- 9yrs External auditory meatus reaches adult size around 9yrs.
- 9mm is the length of mastoid from top to bottom.

9mm - is the base width of the cochlea.

9d3 - In delayed loudness balance method of adaptation, 9dB adaptation was observed when 80 dB adapting stimulus was used. (Studebaker and Stockinger)

10 mm - is the height of the tympanic membrane.

- 10mm is the diameter of the tympanic antrum.
- 10mEq/litre is the potassium concentration in the perilymph.
- 10% of the tectorial membrane contains gel like substance.
- $10\,\mu\text{m}$  is the diameter of each inner hair cell at the widest point. (Smith, 1968).
- 10 msecs is the latency of stapedius muscle in response to acoustic stimulus.
- 10 to 20/sec is the spontaneous discharge rate of sensory fibres of cristae or maculae in resting state.
- 10 to 40millionths of an inch is the average deflection of the human ear drum for sounds of different intensities.
- lOdynes/sq cm is the sound pressure for a shout (i.e. speaking shoutly).

100hms - is the impedance value for TDH-39 earphone.

- 10dB or more If the bone conduction vibrator is displaced away from the mastoid process, there will be changes in bone conduction threshold by 10dB or more (Bekesy, 1932).

10% - is the incidence of hearing Ices in metabolic abnormalities.

10dB - The carhart notch introduces an artifact of 10dB in B/C threshold at 1000Hz.

 $10^{-16}$  watts/sq cm - is the unit of acoustical intensity.

10dB SL - is used by Jerger (1953) in his DLI test.

10 to 15dB - is mild tone decay indicating cochlear pathology. (Rosenberg, 1969)

10msecs - is the rise decay time in brief toneaudiometry.

- 10dB threshold difference for the tones of duration 500 and 20msecs is seen with normal hearing, conductive hearing loss, or nerve VIII dysfunction.
- 10 to 20dB If the difference in reflex threshold for pure tones and broad band noise is 10 to 20 dB, then mild to moderate hearing loss can be suspected (SPAR test given by Jerger et al., 1974).

- 10dB If the difference in reflex threshold for puretones and broad band noise is less than 10dB, then severe sensorineural hearing loss can be suspected. (SPAR test given by Jerger et al., 1974).
- 10 equipment necessary for electroacoustic measurements of hearing.
  - Microphone,
  - Hearing aid,
  - Condenser microphone,
  - Hearing aid test box,
  - Loud speaker,
  - Measuring amplifier,
  - Beat frequency oscillator,
  - 2.C.C coupler,
  - Distortion factor meter, and
  - Graphic level recorder.
- 10secs The dosimeter accumulate a weighted sound energy over durations of 10secs.
- 11 During the 11th week of fetal life, 2½ coils of the cochlea is present and 8th nerve attaches to the cochlear duct.
- 11 increments are used in screening SISI test.
- 12th During the 12th week of fetal life, sensory cells of the cochlea are formed; ossification of the otic capsule takes place.

- 12mm is the length of the osseous portion of the eustachian tube. Ranges upto 14mm.
- 12mm is the length of the tensor tympani muscle during normal conditions.

14mgms - is the mass of the tympanic membrane.

- 14mm is the length of mastoid from front to back.
- 14msecs is the latency for contraction of muscle to sudden onset of a tone. Ranges upto 16msecs.
- 14% When poorer ear is taken as reference ear and the normal ear as variable ear (Jerger's criteria), 14% of neural lesions showed complete recruitment in ABLB technique.
- 14dB adaptation was observed when an adapting stimulus of 50dB was used in single SDLB method of adaptation (studebaker and Stockinger).
- 15th During the 15th week of fetal life, tympanic ring gets ossified.
- 15th to 16th During the 15th to 16th week of fetal life, malleus and incus begins to ossify.
- 15th -During the 15th week of fetal life, stapes is present in the form of cartilage.
- 15° Ls the angle at which pinna is attached to the side of the head.

15mm - is the height of the middle ear cavity.

- 15 to 16dB increase in sound pressure level at the drum membrane, due to resonance and head effects.
- 15dB sound pressure gain by the tympanic membrane is seen at 2.5KHz. Ranges upto 20dB. Because 2.5KHz is the resonance of the external auditory meatus near the tympanic membrane.

(Wiever and Ross, 1946).

- 15dB is the occlusion effect at 1000Hz.
- 15dB is the interaural attenuation in B/C at 2000Hz and  $$4000{\rm Hz}$$  .
- 15dB or more threshold variation is seen clinically as a result of poor earphone placement.
- 15dB improvement in bone conduction threshold at 2000Hz is observed, In postoperative otosclerotic patients.
- 15 to 30 dB Audiometric air boBme gaps from collapsed canals ranges from 15 to 30 dB for the speech frequencies (Ventry et al., 1961).
- 15feet is the interior width of an echo chamber.
- 15dB The carhart notch introduces an artifact of 15 dB in B/6 thresholds at 2KHz.
- 15dB or more is the threshold difference between 500 and 20msec tone durations, seen with temporal lobe dysfunction or pseudohypacusis.
- 15dB Threshold shift as a result of central masking is about 15dB. (Liden et al., 1959). Zwislocki, 1953 says it as 5dB.
- 15dB SL tone is used by Jerger, in modification of the Luscher-Zwislocki's DLI test.

15dB - If the tone decay is more than 15dB in Rosenberg's TDT, then complete TDT should be administered.

15 - There are 15 factors which affect temporary threshold shift internally. They are:

- Interactive effects,
- Hearing level,
- Vibration,
- Residual effects,
- Vitamin A deficiency,
- Oxygen content,
- Drugs,
- Consciousness,
- Sex,
- Ear difference,
- Age,
- Central factors,
- Colour of eyes,
- Articulation, and
- Binaural Vs Monaural
- 15secs is the duration of comparative stimulus in original SDLB method of adaptation.(Hood; 1950).
- 15secs is the duration of adapting stimulus before preadaptation in original SDLB method of adaptation.(Hood,1950)
- 15dB is the diminished sensitivity during sustained threshold stimulation. (Hallpike et al., 1951).
- 15dB If the difference between 2 ears is less than 15dB for puretones in sensori neural hearing loss cases, then they are considered as candidates for binaura Hearing aids (i.e., symmetrical SN loss patients).
- 15dB If the difference between 2 ears is more than 15dB, then binaural amplification may adversely affect the functioning of the better ear.

- 16 to 32Hz Frequencies between this range are called the first octave.
- 16dB adaptation was observed, when an adapting stimulus of 80dB was used in single SDLB method of adapta-tion (studebaker and Stockinger).
- 17mm is the length of the eustachian tube at birth. Ranges upto 18mm.
- 17dB Sound pressure level developed in Zwislocki coupler is about 17dB higher than in a 2c.c. coupler at 8KHz.
- 18th During the 18th week of fetal life, stapes begins to ossify.
- 18mm is the length of the cartilaginous portion of the eustachian tube. Ranges upto 24 mm.
- 18feet is the interior length of an echo chamber.
- 18 incnes separation should be there between the receiver and the microphone, in case of a body level hearing aid for better feedback.
- 20th During the 20th week of fetal life, auricle acquires adult configuration, but continuous to grow until age 9.
- 20th During the 20th week of fetal life, maturation of inner ear takes place inner ear reaches adult size.
- 20 Each inner hair cell receives about 20 afferent fibres.

- -20 to -80mvolts The intracellular potentials within the cochlea are -20 to -80millivolts, with respect to the perilymph within the scala tympani.
  - 20 to 20,000Hz is the frequency range of human hearing.
- 20 to 20,000Hz Between this range, cochlea is sensitive to pressure variations.
- 20msecs Relative refractory period of neurons in the cochlea ranges from 0.5 to 20msecs.
- 20MPascals is the reference for common sound measurements\*
- 20dB According to ANSI, 1969, the sound pressure level for speech audiometric zero is 20dB.
- 20dB is the difference between bone conduction thresholds obtained by forehead and mastoid placements in normals, at 2000Hz.
- 20Hz Infra sound is arbitrarily defined as low frequency non audible sound and normally encompasses all frequencies below 20Hz.
- 20dB hearing is restored through fenestration operation. Ranges upto 30dB.
- 20 to 30dB improvement in hearing is seen by administration of thyroid medication, with hypothyroid patient at most of the frequencies, (presenting pure 'inner ear', mixed and otosclerotic hearing loss).
- 20 Totally 20, 1dB increments are used in original SISI test (Jerger, 1959).

20dB SL - tone is presented in original SISI test (Jerger, 1959). 20dB - successive intervals at which ABLB test is administered. 20dB SL - at which TDT (Olsen and Noffsinger, 1974) is administered

- 20secs is the rest period between stimulus presentations in TDT (Owen, 1964).
- 20 to 25dB is moderate tone decay indicating cochlear pathology (Rosenberg, 1969).
- 20msecs Greater intensity of tone is required to get threshold response for 20msecs duration 6f tone in Bekesy audiometer.
- 20dB reduction in sound transmission as a function of the acoustic reflex. It ranges upto 30dB at low frequencies.
- 20 to 30dB is the difference in reflex thresholds for puretones and broad band noise in normals (SPAR test given by Jerger at al., 1964).
- +20dB signal to noise ratio is required for hearing impaired listeners to reach maximum intelligibility in classroom auditory training system. It ranges upto + 30dB.
- 20dB is the threshold variation between insert receivers and earphones, (i.e.,20 dB gain will be observed using insert receivers than earphones).
- 21st During the 21st week of fetal life, 3 layers of tympanic membrane are exposed by disintegration of meatal plug.
- 22 is the area number of auditory reception in the brain, (according to Broadman)
- 22dB SPL Speech audiometric zero was established at 22dB SPL for 2 reasons:
  - the average of levels reported from laboratory studies of normal hearing subjects.

- the assumption was made that the threshold of intelligibility for spondee words should be about 6dB higher than the normal threshold hearing level for 1000Hz.
- 22dB adaptation was observed when an adapting stimulus of 50dB was used, in Repeated SDLB method of adaptation (Studebaker and stockinger).

23rd - During the 23rd day of fetal life, auditory pit is forma 23mgms - is the weight of the malleus. It ranges upto 27mgms.

25mm - is the length of the external auditory meatus in adults.

25mgms - is the weight of the Incus. It ranges upto 32mgms.

25mms - is the length of the tensor tympanic muscle.

- 25μ m is the length of each outer hair cell in the basal turn while 45μ m is the length of each outer hair Bell in the apical turn.
- 25msecs is the latency of the stapedial reflex "dead" time between the onset of stimulus and onset of muscle contraction. It ranges upto 160msecs.

25msecs - is the rise-decay time for tone bursts.

25msecs - is the optimal rise time in average evoked response audiometry. It ranges upto 30msecs.

+25mm  $H_{20}$  - is the normal pressure in the middle ear.

 $\pm 25$ mm H<sub>2</sub>O - is the maximum flow setting in normal ears, When measuring through manual tympanometry.

- $\pm 25$ mm H<sub>2</sub>o If the tympanogram peak deviates beyond this range, eustachian tube malfunction is indicated.
- 25dB If the hearing loss is within 25dB, then the person does not require hearing aid.
- 26dB The 'low fence' is an average hearing level through the speech frequencies. (AAOO method) 0 to 26dB is the normal hearing limits.
- 26% of sound intensity must be increased, in order for the ear to register a change in the loudness sensation produced.
- 26dB adaptation wets observed when an adapting stimulus of 80dB was used in Repeated SDLB method of adaptation (studebaker and Stockinger),
- 26 to 40dB If the hearing loss is between 26 to 40dB, the person can use the hearing aid whenever necessary.
- 28 increments are used in original SISI test (Jerger, 1959).
- 29  $\mu sec$  If a source of sound is to one side of the head, the sound reaches the farther ear about 29  $\mu sec$  later.
- 30th During the 30th week of fetal life, pneumatization of tympanum occurs.

30ms - is the length of the spiral cochlear tube.

- $30^{\circ}$  Lateral semicircular canal makes a  $30^{\circ}$  angle with the horizontal plane.
- 30dB loss in energy results, when sound travels from air to fluid media directly (i.e., from external to inner ear directly).
- 30 to 40dB loss results with the perforation of the drum along with interrupted ossicular chain.
- 30dB SL above which the test should be terminated in Carhart': TDT.
- 30dB or more is marked tone decay, indicating retrocochlear pathology. (Rosenberg, 1969).
- 30dB The difference between SPL of fundamental frequency and harmonics should be atleast 30dB.
- 30 to 50msecs is the duration of tone bursts.
- 30dB error in threshold results because of sidebands in Brief tone audiometry.
- 32nd During the 32nd week of fetal life, malleus and incus are completely developed.
- 32mm is the length of the basilar membrane.
- 32 to 512Hz Frequencies between this range are referred to as the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th octaves.
- 33 If social adequacy index is 33 or below, the patient is considered to have excessive difficulty in communication (conversation).

- 34th During the 34th week of fetal life, mastoid air cells develops.
- 34th to 35th During the 34th to 35th week of fetal life, epitympanum is pneumatized.
- 35° is the angle at which the eustachian tube is situated with respect to the horizontal plane.
- $35\mu$  m is the length of each inner hair cell.
- 35mm is the length of the cochlear channels.
- 35mg/100ml is the concentration of protein in cerebrospinal fluid.

37mm - is the length of the eustachian tube in adults.

- 40° is the angle at which the tympanic membrane is situated, with respect to the lower wall of the external auditory meatus.
- 40dB is the interaural attenuation for airconducted signal.
- 40dB Speech discrimination scores are got at a level of 40dB above the subject's speech reception threshold.
- 40dB HL For puretones, the bone conduction output calibration measurements are done at 40dBHL.
  - 40 or 50dB interaural attenuation is provided by the mass of the head for air conduction measurements, when earphones encased in supra-aural cusions are used.

40dB - In air conduction testing, the non-test-ear should be masked whenever the signal presented to the test ear exceeds bone conduction sensitivity in the non-test-ear by more than 40dB.

40dB - loss is resulted by retraction of the tympanic membrane.

40dB SL - tone is presented in Luscher and Zwislock's (1949) DLI test.

- 40dB SL tone is used by Jerger (1953) in DLI test, similar to Denes and Naunton's DLI test.
- 40 to 60% scores observed with cochlear disorders at 1000Hz, which is questionable in SISI test (Jerger, 1973).
- 40secs rest is given between presentations of adapting stimulus before adaptation, in SDLB method of adaptation.
- 40dB 'A' weighted network of SLM approximates the 30dB phon contour.
- 40 The loudness of a tone of 40dB at 1000Hz is said to be 40 phoney. lsone=40phon^&.
- 40PNdB=1 noy, PNdB and noys are noisiness measures.
- 40PNdB- is noisiness experienced, when a 40 dB SPL narrow band noise centering at 1KHz is presented. (40SNdB=1 noy)
- 41 is the number of primary auditory reception area in the brain (Broadmann's classification).
- 41 to 55dB If the hearing loss is between 41 to 55dB, the person has to use the hearing aid continuously, and may not benefit from hearing aid in noisy environment.

42ohms - is the impedance of air.

44dB SL - tone is presented in Denes and Naunton's (1950) DLI test.

- 45μm is the length of each outer hair cell in apical turn while the length of each outer hair cell in the basal turn is approximately 25μm.
- 45° is the angle at which the auditory (eustachian) tube is situated, with respect to the sagital plane.
- 45 line between ordinate (better ear tone) and abscissa (poorer ear tone) represents equal loudness growth for two normal ears.
- 45% of the genetic hearing loss is associated with renal disease in females.
- 45° According to Green's modified TDT, the hand should be kept at 45° to the arm rest, if the stimulus loses tonality but remains audible.
- $45^{\circ}$  In the evaluation of CROS type hearing aids, loudspeaker is located at an aximuth of  $45^{\circ}$  from midline of the subject's head.
- 45<sup>0</sup> For tones between 1500 and 2000Hz, the minimum audible angle is 45\* for auditory localization, (refer l°also).

- 50mgms is the physical mass of the ossicles (when they are functioning in physical terms).
- 50 hairs are present on each inner hair cell.
- 50dB maximum hearing level in bone conduction is available, in moat of the pure tone audiometers.
- 50% of tone detection by the patient at particular intensity is the patient's threshold.
- 50 to 60dB HTL False air conduction thresholds at the 50 to 60 dB HTL can be obtained in a "dead" ear, when there is a conductive loss of equal severity in the better ear.
- 50% The threshold of intelligibility is the level (in dB) at which the listener is able to identify approximately 50% of spondaic words.

50msecs - is the on-off time of the signal in SISI test.

50% - At 50% duty cycle with a period of lsec, the tones alternate in ABLB technique. (Jerger,1962). <u>Duty cycle</u>: The duty cycle of a device which normally runs in an intermittent mode (alternately on and off) refers to the time the device is operative as compared to the idle time. Duty cycle is generally expressed as a percentage. For example, a 50% duty cycle refers to an equal proportion of on and off periods.

50msecs - is the rise and decay times in ABLB technique.

- 50msecs is the latency of late response in electroencephalic response audiometry. Ranges upto 300msecs.
- 50% of recovery takes place within 2minutes after adaptation.
- 50% Relatively little gain is available, once the volume control of an hearing aid is beyond 50% of its total range, with more distortion. (Hasten and Lotterman, 1969)

- 50% If there is abnormal decay of greater than 50% amplitude to lOdB reflex sensation level stimulus within lOsecs (for pure tones lOOOHz and below), then VIII nerve pathology can be suspected.
- 050feet is the maximum length of cable that may be used with a crystal microphone.
- 50dB is the threshold of octave masking in normals.
- 50dB If threshold of octave masking is less than 50dB, then the subject is susceptible to noise induced hearing loss.
- 50dB is the threshold of nonlinearity in aural harmonics testgiven by Lawrence and Blanchard.
- 50dB If threshold of nonlinearity in aural harmonics test is less than 50dB, then the subject is susceptible to noise Induced hearing loss.
- 55 to 85 sq.mm is the area of the tympanic membrane.
- 55° is the angle at which tympanic membrane is situated with the floor of the meatus.
- 55% of the genetic hearing loss is associated with renal disease in males.
- 55 to 80dB If the hearing loss is between 55 to 80dB, there is an extreme need for hearing aid and the person should wear the hearing aid all the time.
- 55dB SPL The 'A' weighting network in sound level meter approximates the ear's response characteristics for low level sound below about S5dB SPL.
- 55 to 85dB The 'B' weighting network in sound level meter approximates the ear's response for levels between 55 and 85 dB.

- 60dB loss results with Incus necrosis (with intact drum).
- 60dB loss results with ossicular chain discontinuity with intact tympanic membrane.
- 60dB is the level of conversational speech at lmeters from the source.
- 60 to 70dB above the threshold of hearing at a distance of 3feet is the intensity of normal conversation.
- 60dB HL For puretones, the air conduction output calibration measurements are done at 60dB HL dial setting.
- 60secs is the duration of Rosenberg's screening TDT.
- 60secs rest is given between stimulus presentations, in Hood technique of TDT.
- 60secs duration, continuous tone is given in Olsen and Noffsinger's TDT.
- 60 to 80dBA Noise levels must exceed 60 to 80dBA to produce temporary threshold shift, with other factors held constant.
- 60dB is the intensity level of adapting stimulus presented during adaptation.
- 60dB SPL at 1KHz is the adapting stimuli used by Hood in simultaneous dichotic loudness balance method of adaptation.
- 60 to 80dBA Noise levels must exceed 60 to 80dBA (60 to 80dB on the 'A' scale of a sound level meter) to produce temporary threshold shift.
- 60dB is the dynamic range of an high quality magnetic-tape recording system.

65dB HTL - is the median threshold value for the stapedial reflex to white noise.

67mms - is the length of the pinna. (Ranges from 60 to 75mms).

- 70 to 75dB loss results if entire cortex is removed.
- 70 to 75dB SPL is the levels required to awaken the babies. (Wedenberg, 1963).
- 70 to 100% SISI score are +ve indicating presence of cochlear lesion.
- 70 to 95dB SL is necessary to obtain contralateral acoustic reflex in normal ears. (Jepsen, 1951 et al).
- 70dB SPL is the level of presentation for discrimination testing of CROS hearing aids.
- 70dB The 'B' weighting network of sound level meter approximates the 70dB phon contour in the loudness contour curve.
- 73dB The US EPA concluded that hearing will not be impaired if the noise level does not exceed an  $\rm L_{eq}$  of 73dB (A) when averaged over 8hours.
- 75% of efferent fibres originate from contralateral superior olivary complex and from crossed olivocochlear bundle.

- 75 to 80dB If hearing loss exceeds 75 to 80dB across the speech frequencies, conventional ear level instruments may not provide optimal gain (or frequency response due to constant acoustic feedback related to a less than optimal earmold fit).
- 75msecs is the critical off time for cochlear pathology in Bekesy audiometry.

80 to 100 - hairs are present on each outer hair cell.

- +80mV The scala media, filled with endolymph maintained at +80mV (endocochlear potential) with respect to the plasma.
- +80mV endocochlear potential of the scala media, together with the -70 to -80mV intracellular membrane potential, results in a 150 to 160mV potential gradient across the mechanosensitive section of the membrane at the top of the sensory hair surface.
- 80dB If the hearing loss is above 80dB, there is only partial help from the hearing aid, but the person should use it continuously.
- 80 to 100% scores at 2000, 2000 and 4000Hz which is very high in SISI test, (Jerger, 1973) is observed when there is cochlear disorder.
- 80 to 6,500Hz is the frequency response of a crystal microphone for the diaphragm type.

- 85dB HTL is the median threshold value for the stapedial reflex to pure tone signals in normals.
- 85dB The 'C weighting network in sound level meter corresponds to the ear's response for levels above 85dB.

90% - of the tectorial membrane contains water.

- 90 to 95% of afferent fibres connect with inner hair cells, while remaining innervate outer hair cells.
- 90<sup>0</sup> The anterior cochlear branches cross through the entire ventral nucleus in more or less parallel bundles, which form nearly 90° angles with the cochlear root fibres.
- 90 to 100dB The normal ear should be able to tolerate sound stimulus at hearing levels of 90 to 100dB, without experiencing discomfort i.e., 122dB SPL.
- 90<sup>0</sup> According to Green's modified TDT, the band should be kept at 90° to the armrest, if he perceives the stimulus as tonal.
- 90secs duration of tone is used by Sorenson in tone decay test, as a variation of the Carhart procedure in which he used 60secs duration of tone.
- 90dB SPL wide band noise presented to non-test-ear in supra threshold adaptation test.
- -90dBm is the output level of a capacitor microphone head.
- 90dB(A) If the steady noise without meaning exceeds 90dB(A), then it affects the performance. (BroadBent, 1957).

- 90dBA is the permissible noise exposure for 8 hours according to Occupational Safety and Health Act (1971).
- 90dB Decrease in the quality of work output results, when the background noise exceeds 90dB.
- 92dBA is the permissible noise exposure for 6 hours, according to Occupational Safety and Health Act (1971).
- 93dB The 'high fence' or 100% hearing impairment is considered to be an average hearing level through the speech frequencies, in calculating disabilities (AAOO method).

95% - neurons innervate inner hair cells.

95dBA - is the permissible noise exposure for 4 hours, according to Occupational Safety and Health Act (1971).

97dBA - is the permissible noise exposure for 3 hours, according to the Occupational Safety and Health Act. (1971).

 $100^{\circ}$  - is the angle between the short leg and long leg of the Incus.

- 100cu.mm is the volume occupied by the primary nuclei of cochlea. It ranges upto 150cu.mm.
- 100 times is the maximum discharge of neurons in the cochlea per second.
- 100 to 150msecs maximum tension in muscles is attained.
- 100 to 8000Hz is the frequency range for TDH-39 earphone.
- 100% SISI scores can be obtained, when 60 dB energy reaches the cochlea.
- 100msecs is the rise and decay time of tone in ABLB test.
- 100dB 'C weighted network of sound level meter approximates a 100dB phon contour.
- 100dBA is the permissible noise exposure for 2 hours, according to Occupational Safety and Health Act (1971).
- 102dBA is the permissible noise exposure for 1½ hours, according to Occupational Safety and Health Act (1971).
- 105 to 115dB SPL is required to elicit auropalpebral reflex in infants, for tones of 500Hz, 1000Hz,2000Hz and 4000Hz (Wedenberg, 1963).
- 105 to 115dB If auropalpebral reflex is absent in this range, but is awakened by signal greater than 70 to 75dB SPL, then conductive or retrocochlear pathology can be suspected (Wedenberg,1972).
- 105 to 115dB SPL If auropalpebral reflex is present in this range, but requires greater than 75dB to be awakened then cochlear problem with recruitment may be suspected (Wedenberg, 1972).

- 105dBA is the permissible noise exposure for lhour, according to Occupational Safety and Health Act (1971).
- 110dB SPL The test tone is presented at 110dB SPL continuously in STAT at 500Hz.
- 110dBA is the permissible noise exposure for 30 minutes, according to Occupational Safety and Health Act (1971).
- 115dBA is the permissible noise exposure for ISminutes or less, according to Occupational Safety and Health Act (1971).
- 118dB is the threshold of discomfort in the frequency range of 200 to 10,000Hz.

120metres - is the conduction velocity of neuron per second.

120dB - is the dynamic range of human ear.

120dB SPL - On the average the uncomfortable level is 120 dB SPL.

120dB - is the highest intensity of the Bekesy audiometers.

125msecs - is the critical off time for retrocochlear pathology in Bekesy audiometry.

125Hz - Starting from 125Hz, pure tones ranges upto 8000Hz in most of the audiometers (1 in octave intervals).

127mg/100ml - is the concentration of protein in the endolymph.

- 130\* is the angle at which the handle of malleus forms with that of the head of the malleus.
- 132dB Infrasound builds up -ve middle ear pressure (fullness sensation in the ear) and this has been reported at levels of 132 dB and higher.
- 140\* is the angle at which tympanic membrane is situated with upper wall of the external auditory meatus.
- 140Eq/litre is the sodium concentration in the perilymph.
- 140dB is the threshold of pain in the frequency range of 200 to 10,000Hz.
- 140dB Maximum output of the hearing aid can be upto 140dB.
- 140dB Exposure to impulsive or impact noise should not exceed 140dB peak sound pressure level, according to Occupational Safety and Health Act (1971).

144mEq/litre - is the potassium concentration in the endolymph.

- 150Hz to 5000Hz is the frequency coverage of hearing aid test box.
- 200 to 5000Hz Frequencies of human speech lie in the range of approximately 200 to 5000Hz.
- 200 to 3400Hz is the frequency range of a telephone system for the transmission of speech.
- 200msecs delay in delayed auditory feedback is enough to bring out effect in normals.
- 200msecs is the duration of pulse tones used in Bekesy audiometry.
- 200msecs Less intensity of tone is required to get threshold response in Bekesy audiometer for 200msecs tone, compared to 20msecs duration tone.
- 200msecs is the critical off time in the analysis of auditory disorders in Bekesy audiometry.
- +200mm H<sub>2</sub>o air pressure in the external ear canal, results in a poor compliance of the tympanic membrane (i.e., tympanic membrane becomes stiff).
- <u>+</u> 200mm H<sub>2</sub>o Variation in pressure between <u>+</u> 200mm H<sub>2</sub>o in made in external auditory meatus to check the compliance of the eardrum in tympanometry (Impedance audiometry).
- 220Hz probe tone, with this, the range of acoustic susceptance (or compliance) is completely different in normal ears, when compared to ears with healed perforation (Feldman, 1974).

- 230 to 360msecs is the latency of expectancy wave (very late response) in electroencephalic response audiometry.
- 250Hz Hearing aid type bone vibrators have harmonic distortion at 250Hz.
- 250 to 4000Hz As the frequency range used for sensorineural acuity level (SAL) test. (Jerger and Tillman).
- 250Hz SISI scores are low (0 to 20%) with cochlear disorders at 250Hz.
- 250Hz Poorer discrimination for the increments with contralateral masking in SISI test with normal hearing subjects, at 250Hz. (Bleguad and Terkilsen, 1967).
- 250maecs silent period, is sufficient for complete recovery from adaptation, in patients with extreme threshold adaptation (Tillman, 1966).
- 260m/sec is the transmission velocity of sound in bone. It ranges upto 570m/sec.
- 300mg/160ml is the concentration of protein in perilymph.
- 300Hz Below 300Hz, the skull vibrates as a whole unit for bone conducted signal.

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- 300msecs More than 300msecs, Is the latency of contingent negative variation (very late response) in electroencephalic response audiometry.
- 343meters/sec is the velocity of sound in air at any frequency,
- 400 to 3500Hz is generally considered as Middle frequency range.
- 500 efferent fibers are present in the cochlea.
- 500Hz stimulation causes fibres within the auditory nerve to discharge at the rate of 500 times/sec (Frequency theory).
- 500 to 6000HZ The greatest sensitivity of human ear lies in this frequency range.
- 500gms weight is placed on the top of the earphone in air conduction calibration.
- SOOHz Conventionally, SOOHz is considered as one of the speech frequency among 3 frequencies (500Hz, 1KHz and 2KHz).
- 500Hz SISI scores are low (0 to 20%) with cochlear disorders, at 500Hz.
- 500msecs is the duration of the tone to each ear in ABLE technique.
- SOOHz is one of the affected frequency for STAT to be administered, among 3 frequencies (500Hz, 1KHz, and 2KHz).

- 500Hz is one of the affected frequency for TDT to be admininistered, among 4 frequencies (500Hz, 1KHz, 2KHz, and 4KHz).
- 500Hz is the adapting stimulus used in monaural heterophonic method of adaptation (given by Weiler).

500msecs - is the longest tone duration in Brief tone audiometry.

500Hz to 1000Hz - Weighting function of dosimeter is essentially flat in this frequency range.

- 512 to 2048Hz Frequencies between this range are referred to as 6th and 7th octaves.
- 550gms force on the bone vibrator is necessary during bone conduction calibration.
- 600Hz Noise below 600Hz is not dangerous to the ear compared to noise above 600Hz.
- 600 to 1200Hz Noise containing concentrated energy within this octave band and higher is more dangerous to the ear.
- 660Hz probe tone is used in addition with 220Hz probe tone in Impedance audiometry. It is useful in detecting minoi abnormalities in tympanic membrane. Multiple peaks are obtained with 660Hz frequency probe tone.

1000Hz to 1500Hz - Human ear is more sensitive in this frequency range.

- 1000Hz Conventionally, 1000Hz is considered as one of the speech frequency, among 3 frequencies (500Hz, 1KHz and 2KHz).
- 1000Hz At 1000Hz, SISI scores are questionable (40 to 60%) with cochlear disorders.
- 1000Hz No effect of contralateral masking in SISI test with normal hearing subjects, at 1000Hz. (Blegvad and Terkilsen, 1967).
- 1000Hz is one of the affected frequency for suprathreshold adaptation test, among 3 frequencies (500Hz, 1000Hz and 2000Hz).
- 1000Hz is one of the affected frequency for TDT, among 4 frequencies, (500Hz, 1000Hz, 2000Hz and 4000Hz.
- 1000Hz Furrer used 1000Hz as fatiguing stimuli, in his experiment with temporary threshold shift.
- 1000Hz Time-intensity trading relationship is not possible above 1000Hz.
- 1000Hz A pure tone of 1000Hz can be masked by a sound which is in the range 900 to 1100Hz, but would not be masked by another sound whose frequency content is in the 1900 to 2100 Hz range.
- 1000Hz Maximum distortion is usually below 1000Hz, for body aids (Lotterman and Hasten, 1976).
- 1000Hz Maximum distortion is usually above 1000Hz for ear level hearing aid (Lotterman and Hasten, 1976).
- 1000Hz is the reference frequency in establishing equal loudness contour.
- 1000Hz Beyond 1000Hz, the weighting function of dosimeter rises at the rate of 3dB/octave. (until the upper cut off frequency is 1500Hz).

1200 to 1800Hz - is the resonant frequency of the middle ear.

evoked response.

- 1500 to 2000Hz is the resonant frequency of the ossicular chain in man, for vibratory stimulus.
- 1500Hz Above 1500Hz, the parts of the skull move in different direction, when a vibrator is brought in contact with the skull.
- 2000Hz to 4000Hz The stimuli reach the cochlea at full strength in this frequency range.
- 2000Hz Carhart's notch is seen at 2000Hz. ^/-
- 2000Hz Conventionally, 2000Hz is considered as one of the speech frequency, among 3 frequencies, (500Hz, 1KHz, and 2KHz).
- 2000Hz At 2000Hz, best (lowest) threshold will be get in chronic supparative otitis media patients.
- 2000Hz is one of the affected frequency, among 3 frequencies (500Hz, 1000Hz, and 2000Hz) for supra threshold adaptation test.
- 2000Hz is one of the affected frequency for TDT, among 4 frequencies (500Hz, 1000Hz, 2000Hz and 4000Hz).
- 2000Hz is the only frequency, at which TDT is administered by Sorenson (1962).

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- 2000Hz Attenuation of sound by reflex is limited upto 2000Hz. Above 2000Hz, there is no attenuation.
- 2000Hz Wilson used 2000Hz as fatiguing stimulus at 80dB HL, in his experiments oN temporary threshold shift.
- 2000Hz Stimuli above 2000Hz are most annoying to the human being.
- 2000Hz Pink noise provides a relatively broad spectrum, with equal energy per octave below 2000Hz.
- 2000Hz High frequency noise above 2000Hz appears more disrupting than low frequency noise below 2000Hz (Broadben and Harris, 1957).
- 2000Hz A broad spectrum noise with approximately equal energy per octave, below 2000Hz.
- 2000Hz to 6000Hz Noises with energy concentrated in this frequency range, produce more temporary threshold shif
- 2000Hz Very high SISI scores (80 to 100%) with cochlear disorders is observed at 2000Hz.
- 2048 to 8192Hz Frequencies between this range are referred to as the 8th and 9th octaves.
- 2500Hz is the resonance of the combination of the meatus and concha.

2900Hz - is the resonance of the ear canal.

- 4000 outer rods are present in tunnel of corti (inner ear) , and inner rods are about 5000.
- 4000HZ improved discrimination for the increments with contralateral masking in SISI test, with normal hearing subjects is observed at 4000Hz (Blegvad and Terkilsen, 1967).
- 4000Hz is one of the affected frequency for TDT, among 4 frequencies (500Hz, 1000Hz, 2000Hz and 4000Hz).
- 4000HZ, 6000HZ, and 8000HZ More temporary threshold shift is observed in right ear at 4000Hz, 6000Hz and 8000Hz (Weller).

4000Hz - dip indicates noise induced hearing loss.

- 4000Hz The growth of noise induced permanent threshold shift (NIPTS) at 4000Hz is most rapid during the first 10-15 yrs of exposure after which the loss seems to slow down to other frequencies.
- 4500 inner hair cells are present in the organ of corti and outer hair cells are about 12,500.

5500Hz - is the resonance of the concha

- 6000 inner rods are present in tunnel of corti (inner ear) and outer rods are about 4000.
- 6000Hz Beyond 6000Hz, the energy distribution of human speech is falling off quite rapidly.

- 6000Hz to 7000Hz The band width of white noise is limited to frequency range between 6000Hz to 7000Hz.
- 6000Hz The frequency response of TDH-39, and TDH-49 earphones is typically limited to about 6000Hz.
- 8192Hz to 16,000Hz The frequencies between 8192 to 16,000Hz range, are referred to as 10th octave.
- 10,000Hz In monaural heterophonic method of adaptation (by Weiler), the comparative stimulus used is 10,000Hz.
- 10,000Hz upto 10,000Hz, Random incidence corrector makes precise measurements on sounds having variable or random incidence.
- 12,5000 outer hair cells are present in the organ of corti and inner hair cells are about 4,500.
- 16,000Hz High quality crystal microphones will respond upto 16,000Hz.
- 17,000 hair cells are present in the organ of corti (4,500 inner hair cells and 12,500 outer hair cells).
  - 20,000 ganglion cells provide different types of nerve fibers, which differ in diameter sizes in organ of corti.

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- 20,000Hz Ultra sound is normally referred to as air borne acoustic energy, in the frequency region above 20,000Hz.
- 22,000 to 24,000 Basilar membrane contains 22,000 to 24,000 fibres.
  - 30,000 neurons, whose dendrites have a different course along the organ of corti.
- 60,000 to 1,00,000ohms is the output impedance of a crystal microphone.

## ABBREVATIONS USED IN THIS PROJECT

- ABLB Alternate binaural loudness balance.
- A/C Air conduction
- B/C Bone Conduction
- BSERA Brain Stem Evoked Response Audlometry
- $\ensuremath{\mathtt{C}}_1$  is the volume of the cavity between the probe tip and the ear drum.
- DAF- Delayed Auditory Feedback.
- DLI Difference limen for Intensity
- HL Hearing Level
- HTL Hearing Threshold Level
- MLD Masking Level Difference
- SAL Sensorineural Acuity Level Test.
- SL Sensation Level
- SISI Short Increment Sensitivity Index.
- SDLB Simultaneous dichotic loudness balance.
- SPL Sound Pressure Level
- SSPL Saturation Sound Pressure Level
- S/N Signal to Noise ratio.
- TDT Tone Decay Test.
- Yrs years.

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