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## 50 MCQS: IMAGE ARTIFACTS IN RADIOGRAPHY

1. Which artifact results from patient motion during exposure?

A. Grid cutoff

B. Ghosting

C. Blurring

D. Aliasing

Correct answer: C. Blurring



2. A repeating black line in a DR image is

most likely caused by:

A. Exposure fluctuation

B. Dead pixel rows

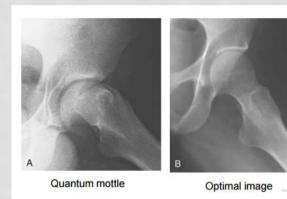
C. Tube arcing

D. Patient movement

Correct answer: : B. Dead pixel rows



- 3. Quantum mottle is best described as:
- A. High contrast shadow
- B. Low exposure noise
- C. Motion blur
- D. Processing error



Correct answer: B. Low exposure noise



- 4. An artifact from a bucky grid misalignment appears as:
- A. Moiré pattern
- B. Ring artifact
- C. Blooming
- D. Fog



Moiré effect

Correct answer: A. Moiré pattern



- 5. Which artifact occurs due to improper erasure of CR plates?
- A. Banding
- B. Ghost image
- C. Moiré pattern
- D. Blooming

Correct answer: B. Ghost image



6. Static marks on film-screen images are caused by:

A. Moisture

B. Dust in cassette

C. Static electricity discharge

D. Fogging



Correct answer: C. Static electricity discharge



- 7. In digital systems, "banding" is associated with:
- A. Aliasing
- B. Calibration error
- C. Grid lines
- D. System delay

Correct answer: B. Calibration error



- 8. Which of the following will most likely cause a double exposure artifact in film-screen radiography?
- A. Grid misalignment
- B. Motion during exposure
- C. Plate not erased
- D. Reusing cassette without reloading

Correct answer: D. Reusing cassette without reloading



- 9. Light leak artifact in CR is due to:
- A. Laser misalignment
- B. Overexposure
- C. Damaged cassette
- D. Improper erasure

Correct answer: C. Damaged cassette



10. Which artifact may mimic pathology on

chest radiographs?

A. Motion blur

B. Improper SID

C. Jewelry artifact

D. Saturation



Correct answer: C. Jewelry artifact



- 11. What causes ghosting in CR systems?
- A. Bucky failure
- B. Incomplete erasure of imaging plate
- C. High-frequency grid
- D. Excessive dose

Correct answer: B. Incomplete erasure of imaging plate

- 12. A white line artifact in CR is most likely caused by:
- A. Laser malfunction
- B. Dirt on light guide
- C. Improper patient positioning
- D. Scatter radiation

Correct answer: B. Dirt on light guide



- 13. Flat panel detector drop-out appears as:
- A. Bright band
- B. Black smudge
- C. Dead pixel region
- D. Ghost image

Correct answer: C. Dead pixel region



- 14. The effect of "aliasing" in DR images is caused by:
- A. Low-resolution detectors
- B. High spatial frequency sampling
- C. Incomplete calibration
- D. Mismatch of grid and scan lines



Correct answer: D. Mismatch of grid and scan lines



- 15. Which artifact is unique to DR systems and not seen in CR?
- A. Ghosting
- B. Dead pixels
- C. Moiré pattern
- D. Grid cutoff

Correct answer: B. Dead pixels



- 16. CR cassette exposure to room light can result in:
- A. Ghost image
- B. Image fading
- C. Light leak artifact
- D. Dark band artifact

Correct answer: C. Light leak artifact



- 17. The artifact known as "blooming" in DR is due to:
- A. Overexposure
- B. Detector saturation
- C. Dead pixels
- D. Scatter radiation

Correct answer: B. Detector saturation



18. A CR cassette showing previous patient

image suggests:

A. Delayed readout

B. Improper cassette loading

C. Ghosting

D. Motion blur

Correct answer: C. Ghosting





- 19. Vertical lines on CR images usually suggest:
- A. Scanner malfunction
- B. Digital aliasing
- C. Motion
- D. Exposure error



Correct answer: A. Scanner malfunction



- 20. What is the corrective action for ghosting in CR systems?
- A. Clean light guide
- B. Increase kVp
- C. Proper plate erasure
- D. Change SID

Correct answer: C. Proper plate erasure



- 21. Which artifact in DR systems resembles grid lines even when no grid is used?
- A. Moiré pattern
- B. Drop-out artifact
- C. Dead rows
- D. Electronic noise

Correct answer: A. Moiré pattern



- 22. What results in fog artifact in CR?
- A. Underexposure
- B. Low kVp
- C. Ambient light leakage
- D. Grid misalignment

Correct answer: C. Ambient light leakage



- 23. The term "drop-out" in DR refers to:
- A. Exposure failure
- B. Detector failure
- C. Backscatter
- D. Collimator error

Correct answer: B. Detector failure



- 24. A banding artifact in DR fluoroscopy is related to:
- A. Tube failure
- B. Image lag
- C. Pulsed fluoro mode
- D. Frame drop

Correct answer: C. Pulsed fluoro mode



- 25. Line pair resolution testing helps detect:
- A. Dead pixels
- B. Moiré
- C. Spatial distortion
- D. Artifact severity

Correct answer: D. Artifact severity



26. Which artifact in CT appears as a streak

between dense structures?

A. Ring artifact

B. Beam hardening

C. Windmill artifact

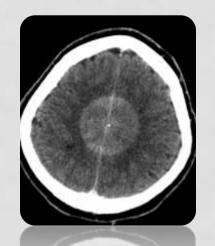
D. Partial volume



Correct answer: B. Beam hardening



- 27. Ring artifacts in CT are typically due to:
- A. Calibration error
- B. Detector malfunction
- C. Patient motion
- D. Incomplete reconstruction



Correct answer: B. Detector malfunction



- 28. Streak artifacts from metal implants in CT are reduced by:
- A. Decreasing mAs
- B. Using bone algorithm
- C. Metal artifact reduction algorithm
- D. Using low pitch

Correct answer: C. Metal artifact reduction algorithm



- 29. What CT artifact results from partial scanning of structures with high contrast edges?
- A. Cupping
- B. Windmill
- C. Partial volume
- D. Beam hardening

Correct answer: C. Partial volume



30. CT artifact resembling concentric rings is due to:

A. Scatter

B. Detector offset

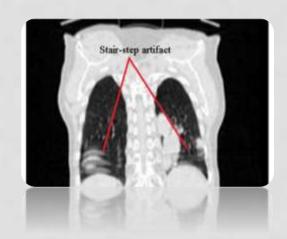
C. Collimation error

D. Gantry instability

Correct answer: B. Detector offset



- 31. Stair-step artifacts in CT appear due to:
- A. Wide collimation
- B. Table increment error
- C. Motion
- D. High kVp



Correct answer: A. Wide collimation



32. Zipper artifact in MRI has equivalent cause

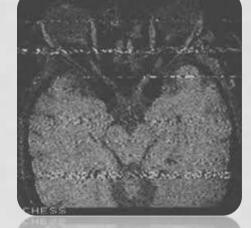
in CT as:

A. Motion

B. Metal presence

C. RF interference

D. Partial scan



Correct answer: B. Metal presence



33. In CT, cupping artifacts occur due to:

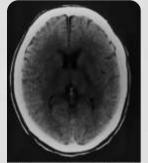
A. Tube rotation lag

B. Beam hardening

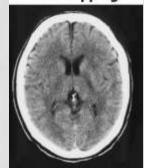
C. Slow pitch

D. Contrast media

Correct answer: B. Beam hardening



Beam hardening with cupping



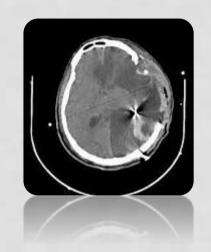
Normal CT scan





## 34. Windmill artifact in helical CT is caused by:

- A. High pitch
- B. Slow rotation
- C. Filter miscalibration
- D. Dense tissue



Correct answer: A. High pitch



35. What is used to reduce beam hardening

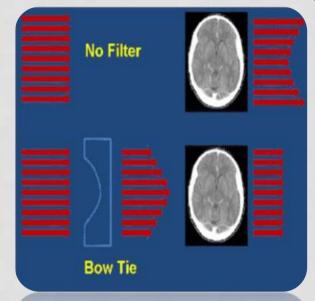
artifacts in CT?

A. Bowtie filter

B. Soft algorithm

C. Increased SID

D. Bone window



Correct answer: A. Bowtie filter



- 36. Streak artifact in CT between spine and pelvis is usually due to:
- A. Table motion
- B. Partial volume averaging
- C. Beam hardening
- D. Detector misalignment

Correct answer: C. Beam hardening



- 37. Which is not a typical MRI artifact but can affect CT images?
- A. Wrap-around
- B. Metal streak
- C. Ring artifact
- D. Star artifact

Correct answer: A. Wrap-around



- 38. What increases partial volume artifact?
- A. Thin slice thickness
- B. Wide detector
- C. High pitch
- D. Low kVp

Correct answer: B. Wide detector



## 39. Pixel blooming can occur in:

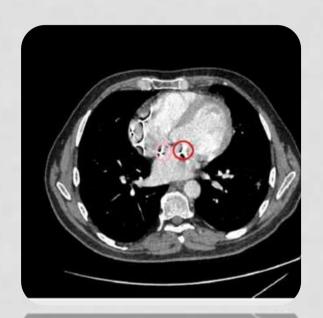
A. CR

B. DR

C. CT

D. MRI

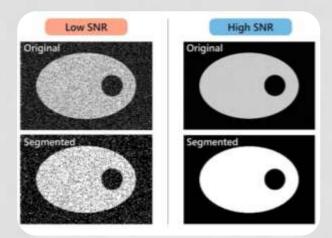
Correct answer: C. CT





## 40. CT noise artifacts resemble:

- A. Low contrast
- B. Granular texture
- C. Ghosting
- D. Halation



Correct answer: B. Granular texture



- 41. An artifact resembling a spine overlaying a lung in chest X-ray is likely due to:
- A. Improper centering
- B. Reversed cassette
- C. Double exposure
- D. Motion blur

Correct answer: C. Double exposure



- 42. Dark streaks on CR image edges could be due to:
- A. Backscatter
- B. Over-collimation
- C. Exposure creep
- D. Digital dropout

Correct answer: A. Backscatter



- 43. Which is **not** a cause of fogging in film-screen radiography?
- A. Light leak
- B. Chemical contamination
- C. Static discharge
- D. Overexposure

Correct answer: C. Static discharge



- 44. Artifact caused by pressure during handling of film:
- A. Pressure mark
- B. Crescent mark
- C. Roller mark
- D. Scratches

Correct answer: B. Crescent mark



- 45. Scratch marks on film are most likely due to:
- A. Dirty processor rollers
- B. Damaged intensifying screen
- C. Old developer
- D. Low humidity

Correct answer: A. Dirty processor rollers



- 46. The best method to minimize motion artifacts in radiography is:
- A. Low mAs
- B. Short exposure time
- C. Low kVp
- D. Use of filter

Correct answer: B. Short exposure time



- 47. The use of a moving grid helps prevent:
- A. Moiré artifact
- B. Motion artifact
- C. Exposure creep
- D. Ghosting

Correct answer: A. Moiré artifact



- 48. Which action reduces aliasing in digital systems?
- A. High-frequency grid
- B. Lower sampling rate
- C. Longer SID
- D. Less collimation

Correct answer: A. High-frequency grid



- 49. Artifact from off-center positioning in CR:
- A. Misregistration
- B. Image lag
- C. Asymmetric exposure
- D. Halo

Correct answer: C. Asymmetric exposure



50. Improper histogram analysis in CR can

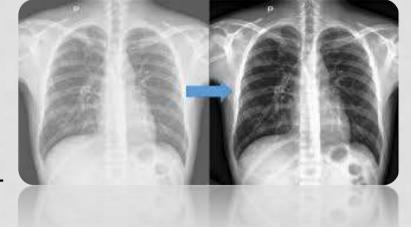
result in:

A. Exposure creep

B. Ghost image

C. Saturated pixels

D. Histogram error artifact



Correct answer: D. Histogram error artifact

