

EEE 333 - Optical Communication Devices

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# Optical Aperture MCQ Questions

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## MCQ Questions

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1. Q What is a beam aperture?

- (a) A device that controls the intensity of a light beam
- (b) Any opening in the source through which the beam radiation is emitted
- (c) The region where light waves interfere and create a diffraction pattern
- (d) A lens used to focus a light beam

1. A (b)

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2. Q What is beam diffraction?

- (a) The spreading out of a light beam as it travels through small apertures
- (b) The reflection of light waves off a surface
- (c) The bending of light waves as they pass through a medium with varying refractive index
- (d) The absorption of light by a material

2. A (a)

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3. Q According to Huygens' principle, how can diffraction be predicted?

- (a) By analyzing the interference pattern of diffracted light waves
- (b) By using lenses to focus the diffracted light
- (c) By replacing the wavefront with a series of equally spaced secondary point sources emitting in phase
- (d) By measuring the wavelength of the diffracted light

3. A (c)

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4. Q What happens to a beam of light when it is passed through an aperture?

- (a) It is absorbed by the aperture material
- (b) It is refracted and changes its direction
- (c) It is diffracted and diverges at an angle
- (d) It remains unchanged in direction and intensity

4. A (c)

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5. Q What is the beam diameter at a point in space?

- (a) The width  $u$  of the aperture through which the beam is passed
- (b) The diameter of the smallest circle that contains  $u\%$  the laser power
- (c) The distance  $u$  between the source of the beam and the point in space
- (d) The wavelength  $u$  of the light in the beam

5. A (b)

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6. Q What does the term  $d_{63}$  refer to in the context of a Gaussian beam?

- (a) The point where the irradiance increases to  $1/e$  of its central peak value
- (b) The point where the irradiance increases to  $1/\pi$  of its central peak value
- (c) The point where the irradiance falls to  $1/e$  of its central peak value
- (d) The point where the irradiance falls to  $1/\pi$  of its central peak value

6. A (c)

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**7. Q** What does the beam diameter define?

- (a) The intensity of the laser beam
- (b) The divergence angle of the beam
- (c) The wavelength of the laser beam
- (d) The distance between the source and the aperture

**7. A** (b)

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**8. Q** What happens to the divergence angle when a radiation beam is collimated (parallel)?

- (a) It remains constant regardless of beam diameter
- (b) It becomes infinite
- (c) It tends to zero and becomes very small
- (d) It becomes larger and more spread out

**8. A** (c)

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**9. Q** What is the formula to calculate divergence using beam diameter?

- (a)  $\theta = d_{63} - d'_{63}$
- (b)  $\theta = \frac{d_{63} + d'_{63}}{2}$
- (c)  $\theta = \frac{d_{63} - d'_{63}}{r}$
- (d)  $\theta = 2 \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{d_{63} - d'_{63}}{2r} \right)$

**9. A** (d)

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**10. Q** What is the purpose of attaching a lens to the front end of the receiver system?

- (a) To block unwanted light from entering the system
- (b) To decrease the size of the detector
- (c) To focus the received light onto the detector
- (d) To increase the noise of the detector

**10. A** (c)

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**11. Q** What type of material is typically used to make lenses?

- (a) Optically refractive reflective materials
- (b) Optically dim reflective materials
- (c) Optically absorbent reflective materials
- (d) Optically transparent refractive materials

**11. A** (d)

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**12. Q** What is the role of an aperture lens as an imaging optical element?

- (a) To block unwanted signals from reaching the detector
- (b) To focus the received light to a single point on the detector surface
- (c) To map signals arriving at different angles to separate locations on the detector
- (d) All of the above

**12. A** (c)

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**13. Q** What is the function of an aperture lens in the receiver system?

- (a) To act as a barrier against incoming light
- (b) To decrease the collecting area of the detector
- (c) To reduce the signal received by the detector
- (d) To enlarge the effective collecting area of the detector without the penalty of increasing the detector noise.

**13. A** (d)

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**14. Q** What is the function of the focal-plane detector?

- (a) To converge the light rays onto the focal plane
- (b) To focus the light rays onto the lens
- (c) To enlarge the diameter of the lens
- (d) To control the F-number of the lens

**14. A** (a)

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**15. Q** How are the focal length and the diameter of the lens related?

- (a) The efficiency of the lens in focusing light
- (b) The ratio of the focal length to the diameter of the lens
- (c) The amount of light reflected by the focal plane
- (d) The distance between the focal plane and the lens

**15. A** (b)

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**16. Q** The  $F$ -number  $F_{\#}$  can be described as .....

- (a)  $F_{\#} = \frac{f_l}{d_l}$
- (b)  $F_{\#} = \frac{d_l}{f_l}$
- (c)  $F_{\#} = f_l \times d_l$
- (d)  $F_{\#} = \frac{f_l + d_l}{2}$

**16. A** (a)

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**17. Q** What does the angle of view determine for a detector?

- (a) The field-of-view (FOV) of the detector
- (b) The intensity of the optical radiation
- (c) The direction of the optical radiation
- (d) The wavelength of the optical radiation

**17. A** (a)

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**18. Q** What is the significance of a smaller  $F$ -number lens in relation to the angle of view?

- (a) A smaller  $F$ -number lens leads to a larger angle of view
- (b) A smaller  $F$ -number lens leads to a smaller angle of view
- (c) The  $F$ -number of the lens does not affect the angle of view
- (d) The  $F$ -number of the lens determines the direction of the optical

**18. A** (a)

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**19. Q** What does the angle of view represent for a detector?

- Ⓐ The maximum distance at which the detector can detect optical radiation
- Ⓑ The equivalent  $F$ -number
- Ⓒ The range of wavelengths detected by the detector
- Ⓓ The angular range within which the detector responds to optical radiation

**19. A** (d)

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**20. Q** How is the angle of view determined?

- Ⓐ by the ratio of the diameter of the focal lens to the focal plane detector
- Ⓑ by the multiplication of the diameter of the focal plane detector and the focal lens
- Ⓒ by the summation of the diameter of the focal plane detector and the focal lens
- Ⓓ by the ratio of the diameter of the focal plane detector to the focal lens

**20. A** (d)

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**21. Q** Angle of View (Acceptance) is described by the .....

- Ⓐ receiver cone half-apex angle
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- Ⓒ diameter of the focal plane detector
- Ⓓ beam diameter

**21. A** (a)