

## Some Rules of Thumb\*

$M$  in Kg/mol,  $s$  in Svedbergs ( $10^{-13}$  sec),  $D$  in Ficks ( $10^{-7}$  cm<sup>2</sup> sec<sup>-1</sup>),  
 $R_s$  in Ångstroms,  $speed$  in rpm/1000,  $\rho=1.000$  g/cc,  $\bar{v}=0.725$  cc/g,  $T = 293^\circ$  K.

### Transport

$$M = 91 \frac{s}{D}$$

$$R_s = 215/D_{20,w}$$

$$s = 2.4M/R_s$$

$$f/f_o = 0.31M^{2/3}/s \quad (\delta_1 = 0.3)$$

$$D < 19.2/s^{0.5}$$

### For the equivalent sphere

$$\delta_1 = 0.0$$

$$R_o = \frac{20}{3} M^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$s_o = M^{\frac{2}{3}}/2.8$$

$$s_o = M^{\frac{2}{3}} \left[ \frac{(1-\bar{v}\rho)/\bar{v}^{\frac{1}{3}}}{0.8337} \right]$$

$$M = 4.7s_o^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$R_o = 7.35(M\bar{v})^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\delta_1 = 0.3$$

$$R_o = \frac{30}{4} M^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$s_o = M^{\frac{2}{3}}/3.2$$

$$M = 5.7s_o^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$R_o = 7.35\{M(\bar{v} + 0.3)\}^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

### For a prolate ellipsoid of revolution

where  $a/b > 5.0$ ,  $f/f_o = (a/b)^{\frac{2}{3}}/\ln(2a/b)$

### For DCDT analysis

$$\Delta t/t = \Delta \ln(\omega^2 t) < \frac{70}{(M^{0.5} speed)}$$

$D = (\sigma\omega^2 tr_{men})^2/2t$  (where  $\sigma =$  std dev of  $g(s^*)$  peak in svedbergs)

### Sedimentation Equilibrium

**For  $\sigma > 2.0$  cm<sup>-2</sup>**, where  $\sigma \equiv d(\ln c)/d(r^2/2) = M(1 - \bar{v}\rho)\omega^2/RT = \frac{\omega^2 s}{D}$

$$t_{eq,5^\circ} = 4.0 \times 10^4 / (s_{20,w} (speed)^2) \text{ hours } (\tau = 0.22) \text{ (column height=3mm)}$$

$$t_{eq,5^\circ} = 1.7 \times 10^4 R_s / (M (speed)^2) \text{ hours } (\tau = 0.22) \text{ (column height=3mm)}$$

$$t_{eq,5^\circ} = 3.66 \times 10^6 / (DM (speed)^2) \text{ hours } (\tau = 0.22) \text{ (column height=3mm)}$$

$$t_{os}/t_{eq} = 0.134(\sigma)0.58/((\omega_{os}/\omega_{eq})^2 - 0.5)$$

**For  $\sigma > 0$ :**

Compute time to equilibrium at any speed: [http://rasmb.org/AUCRL/time\\_to\\_equilibrium-form.html](http://rasmb.org/AUCRL/time_to_equilibrium-form.html)

$$speed_{eq} = 88[\sigma/M]^{0.5}; \quad M = 7777[\sigma/(speed_{eq})^2], \text{ and} \quad \sigma = M(speed_{eq})^2/7777$$

### For the random coil

$$\delta_1 = 0.0$$

$$R_s = 10.0M^{0.56}$$

$$s_{rc} = 0.24M^{0.44}$$

$$\delta_1 = 0.3$$

$$R_s = \frac{90}{8} M^{0.56}$$

$$s_{rc} = 0.21M^{0.44}$$

$$s_o/s_{rc} = 1.48M^{0.22}$$

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\*A “rule of thumb” is a useful principle having wide application but not intended to be strictly accurate or reliable in every situation. A general guideline, rather than a strict rule; an approximate measure or means of reckoning based on experience or common knowledge—an approximation, a guesstimation.