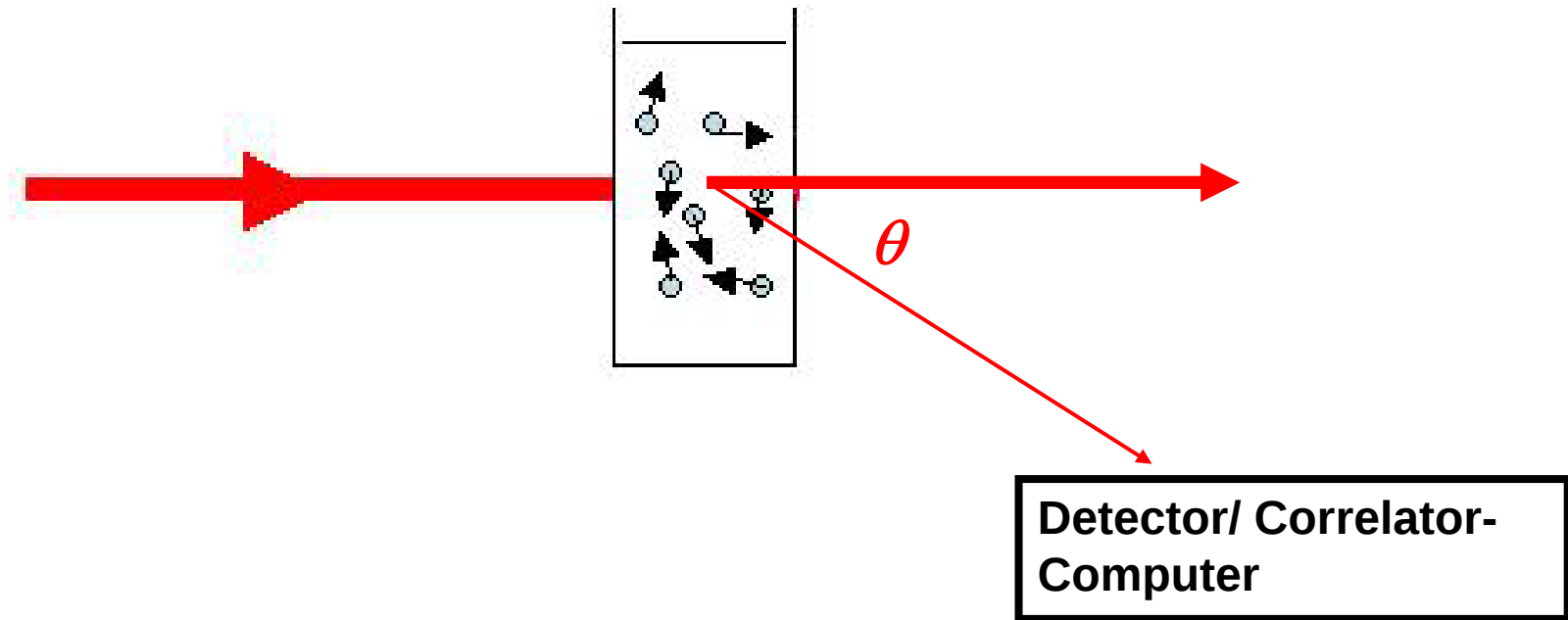


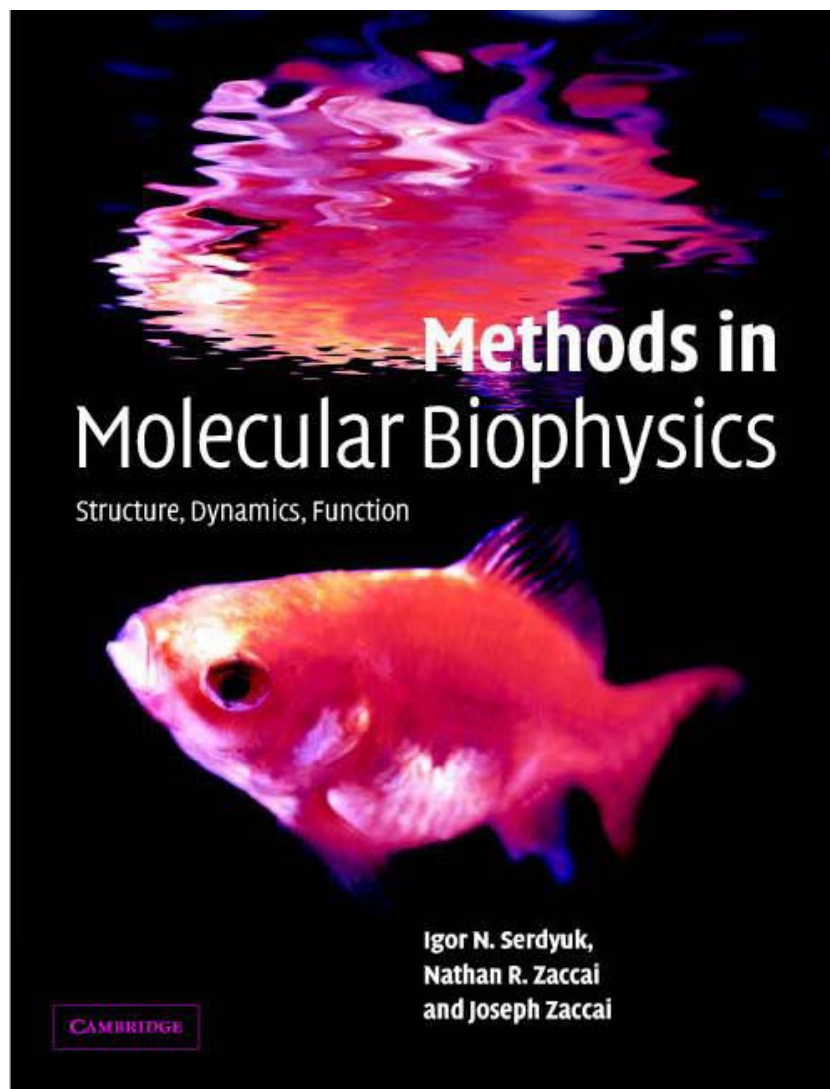
Diffusion: Dynamic Light Scattering

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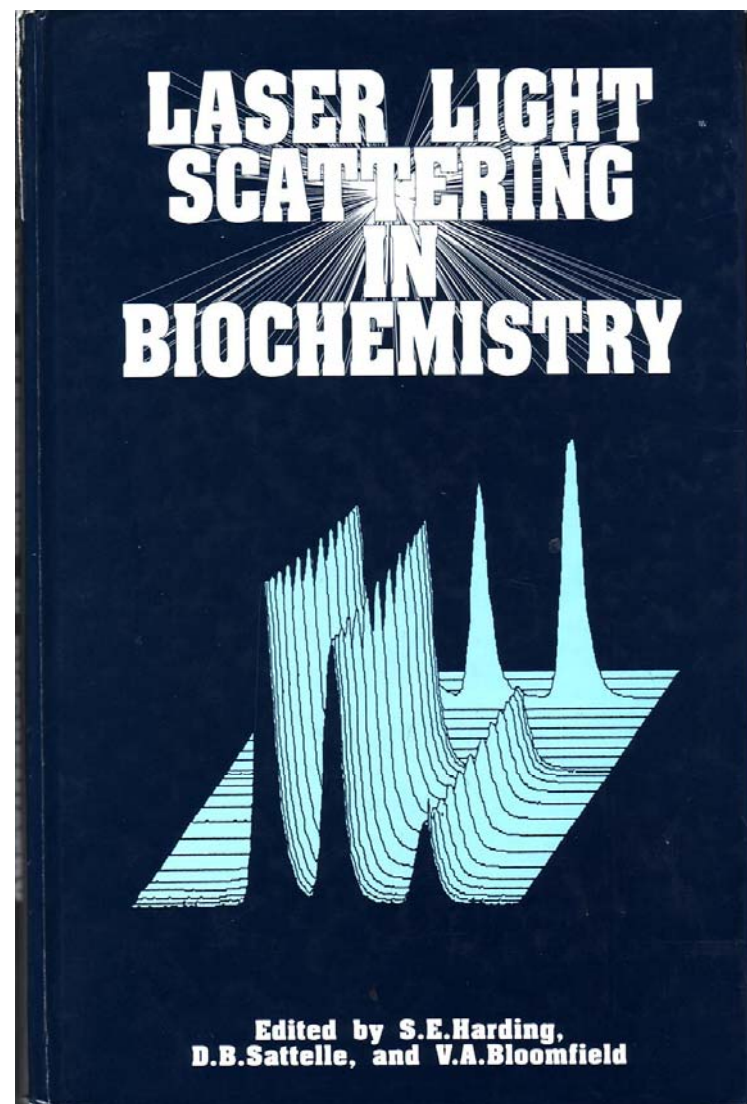


Part 1: DLS basic theory (overhead transparencies)

Part 2: Instrumentation – multi angle and fixed angle



Chapters D3 & D10



RSC Cambridge, 1992

Transport Probes :

DYNAMIC LIGHT SCATTERING

.... for measurement of diffusion coefficients

Why diffusion coefficients ?

① DIFFUSION COEFFICIENT → Structure & molecular weight of a biomolecule in solution

② POLYDISPERSITY / DISTRIBUTION OF DIFFUSION COEFFICIENTS → Size distribution (polysaccharides etc.)

③ CHANGES IN DIFFUSION COEFFICIENT → DYNAMICS of a process

Strategy

PART I :

1. WHAT IS A DIFFUSION COEFFICIENT?
2. TECHNIQUES FOR OBTAINING IT
3. TYPES OF LIGHT SCATTERING ANALYSIS
4. DYNAMIC LIGHT SCATTERING - extraction of diffusion coefficients
5. EXPERIMENTAL POINTS

PART II :

USE OF DIFFUSION COEFFICIENTS

PART I

I. DIFFUSION COEFFICIENTS

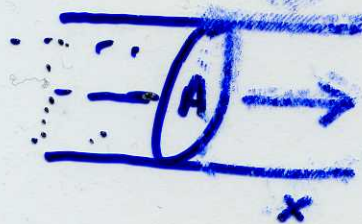
The diffusion coefficient, D is a manifestation of the ability of a particle to move under (i) the influence of a concentration gradient or (ii) under the influence of Brownian motion

(i) Concentration gradient

If J = mass of particles crossing 1 cm^2 cross section per sec.

$\frac{\partial c}{\partial x}$ = concentration gradient

then $J = -D \frac{\partial c}{\partial x}$ ("Fick's 1" law)



(ii) Brownian diffusion

$\overline{x^2}$ = average square displacement of a particle

$$\overline{x^2} = 2Dt$$



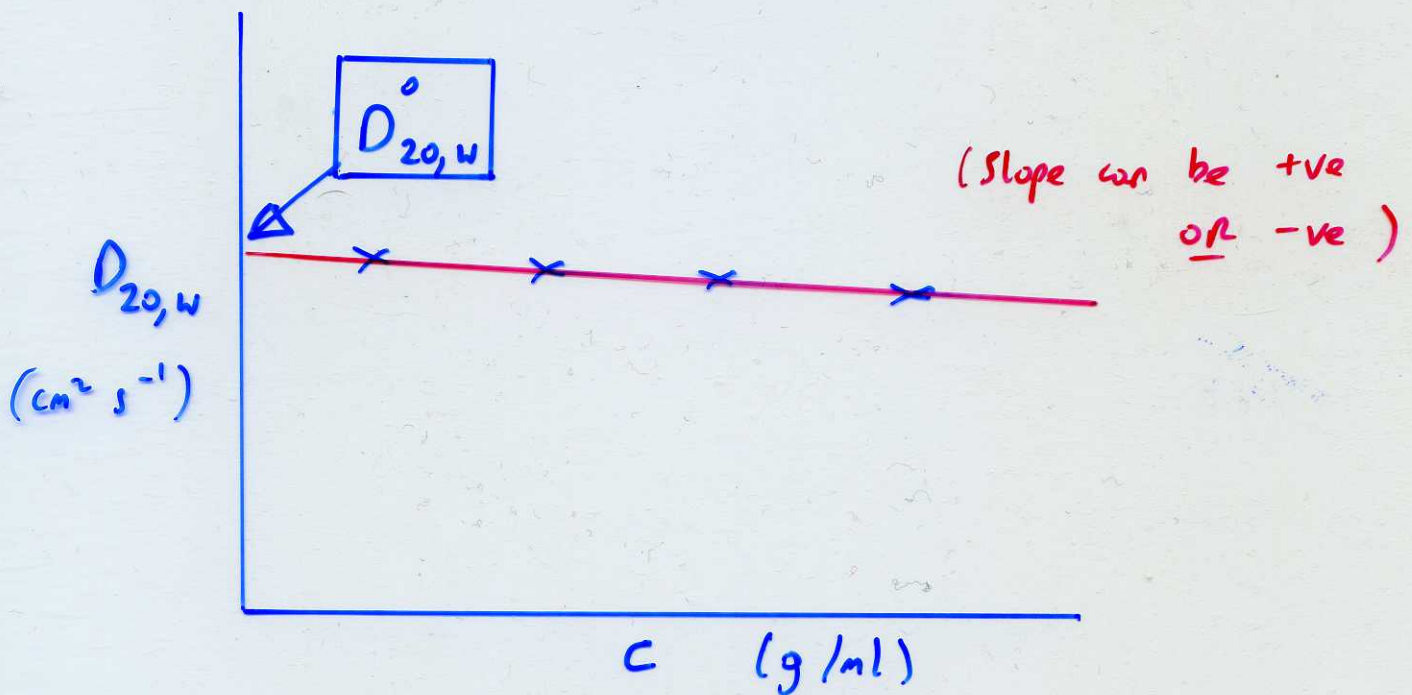
Units of D : $\text{cm}^2 \text{ sec}^{-1}$

(ii) More relevant to dynamic light scattering

In order to relate D to macromolecular properties we have to ① "standardize"/"normalize" to standard solvent conditions

$$D_{20,w} = \frac{293.1}{T} \frac{\eta_{T,b}}{\eta_{20,w}} \cdot D_{T,b}$$

② Extrapolate to zero concentration



$D_{20,w}^0$ so obtained can tell us many interesting things about biomolecules!

2. TECHNIQUES FOR OBTAINING $D_{20, W}^0$

DYNAMIC LIGHT SCATTERING

ANALYTICAL ULTRACENTRIFUGATION
("boundary spreading")

NUCLEAR MAGNETIC RESONANCE

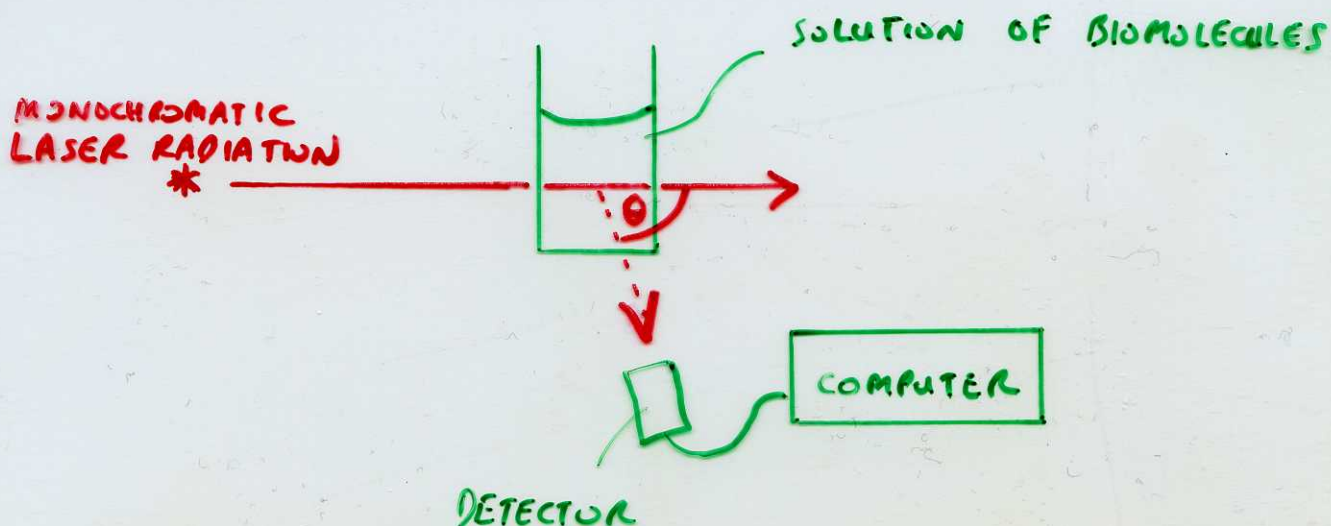
3. TYPES OF LIGHT SCATTERING

TURBIDITY (Use simple spectrophotometer)

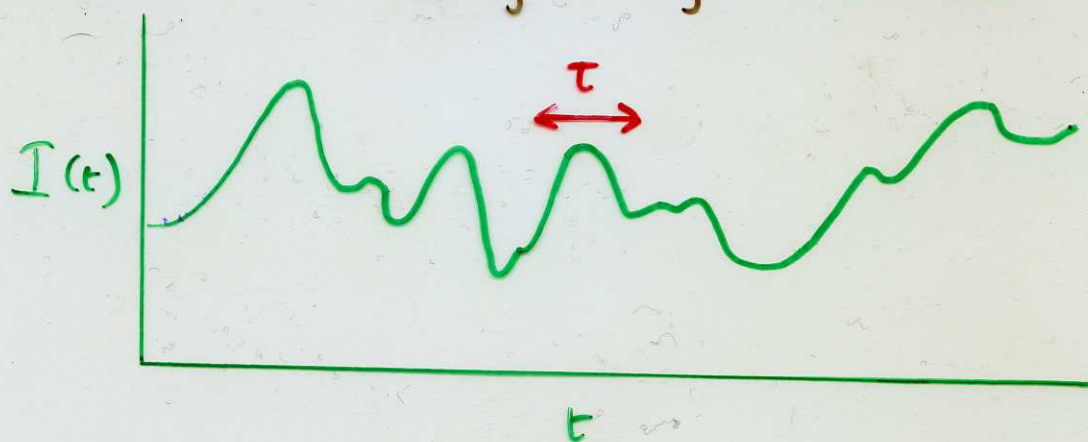
'CLASSICAL' LIGHT SCATTERING

DYNAMIC LIGHT SCATTERING.

4. DYNAMIC LIGHT SCATTERING



The moving macromolecules will "Doppler broaden" the otherwise monochromatic radiation. Intensity fluctuates because of different λ 's beating amongst themselves



For a given angle θ :

An 'Autocorrelator' correlates intensities $I(t)$ at time t with subsequent times $t + b\tau_s$ sample time

CHANNEL NUMBER
1-64
or 1-128
or 1-256

$b\tau_s$ is referred to collectively as the "DELAY TIME" (τ)

Small delay times - GOOD CORRELATION

Long " " - POOR " "

DEFINE a NORMALIZED CORRELATION FUNCTION

$$g^{(2)}(\tau) = \frac{\langle I(t) \cdot I(t+\tau) \rangle}{\langle I \rangle^2}$$

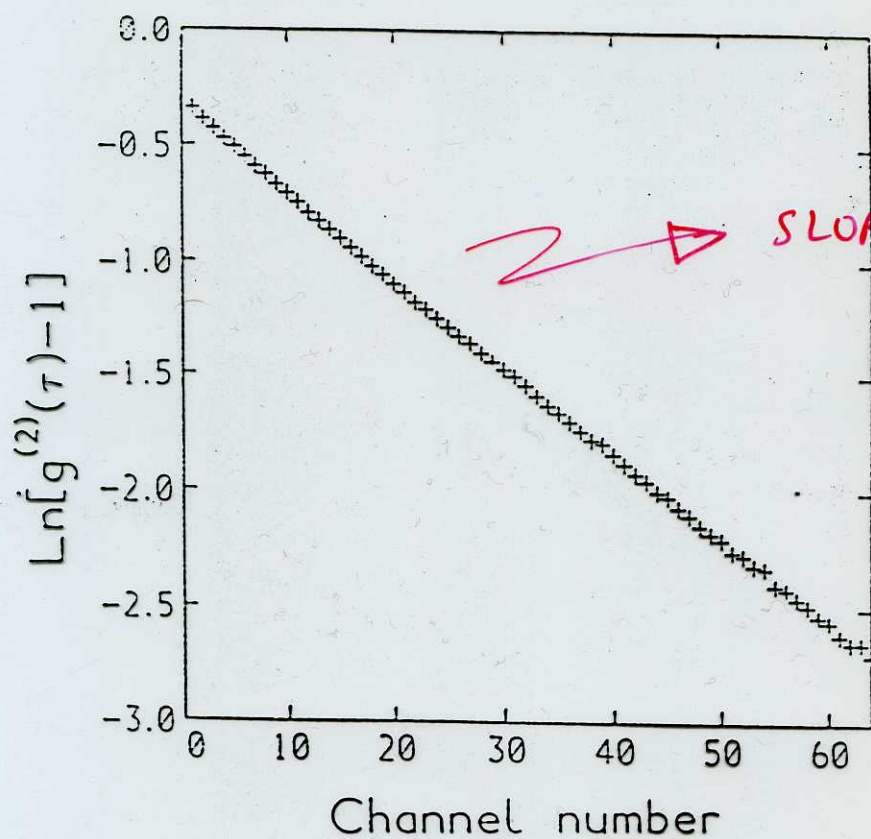
$\langle \rangle$ indicates product $I(t) \times I(t+\tau)$ averaged over long times compared with τ

For $\approx$ spherical Brownian systems

$$\ln [g^{(2)}(\tau) - 1] = -2D(\underline{k})^2 \tau$$

Bragg vector
 $= \frac{4\pi n}{\lambda \sin(\theta/2)}$

①



(Dynein, $m \sim 2.5 \times 10^6$
 $D_{29,0} = 1.1 \times 10^{-7}$
 $\text{cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$)

N. B. For asymmetric scatterers eqn ① becomes more complicated. These complications can be avoided if D measured according to ① is extrapolated to zero angle

D values is obtained have to be

① corrected to $D_{20,w}$ values

② extrapolated to zero concentration to give

$$D'_{20,w}.$$

9: Hydrodynamic properties of proteins

(a)



PART II : USE OF DIFFUSION COEFFICIENTS

1. MOLECULAR WEIGHT (M)
2. SIZE (STOKES RADIUS r_H)
3. FRICTIONAL COEFFICIENT - CONFORMATION
4. POLYDISPERSITY (Distribution of molecular weights)
5. DYNAMICS of processes.

1. MOLECULAR WEIGHT

$$M = \frac{S_{20,w}^0}{D_{20,w}^0} \times \frac{RT}{(1 - \bar{v}\rho)}$$

1. MOLECULAR WEIGHT

$$M = \frac{s_{20,w}^0}{D_{20,w}^0} \times \frac{RT}{(1-\bar{v}\rho)}$$

Explanation :

$$D_{20,w}^0 = \frac{RT}{N_A f} \quad \text{frictional coefficient} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$s_{20,w}^0 = \frac{M(1-\bar{v}\rho)}{N_A f} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

(2) / (1) eliminates f .

2. SIZE

- in terms of the "STOKES RADIUS"

or radius of the equivalent sphere :

$$r_H = \frac{(k_B T)}{6 \pi \eta_{20, w} D_{20, w}^0}$$

Boltzmann constant

viscosity of water at 20°C.

E.g's:

$r_H \sim 1.5 \text{ nm}$	lysosyme
$\sim 3 \text{ nm}$	hemoglobin
30 nm	turnip yellow mosaic virus
$\sim 1000 \text{ nm}$	bacterial spore

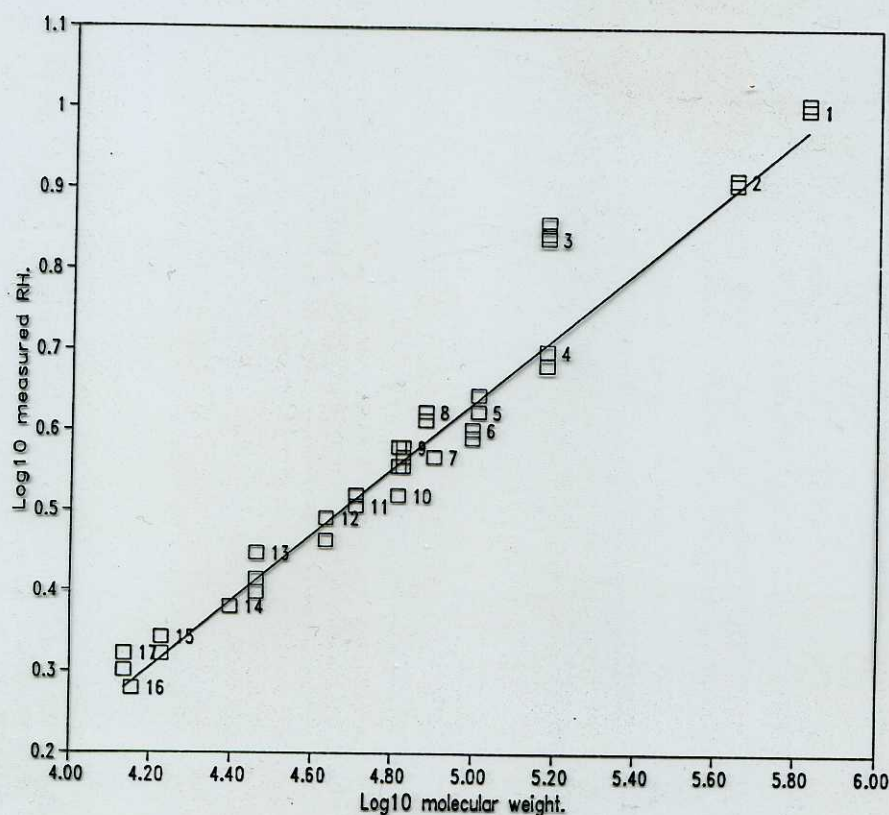
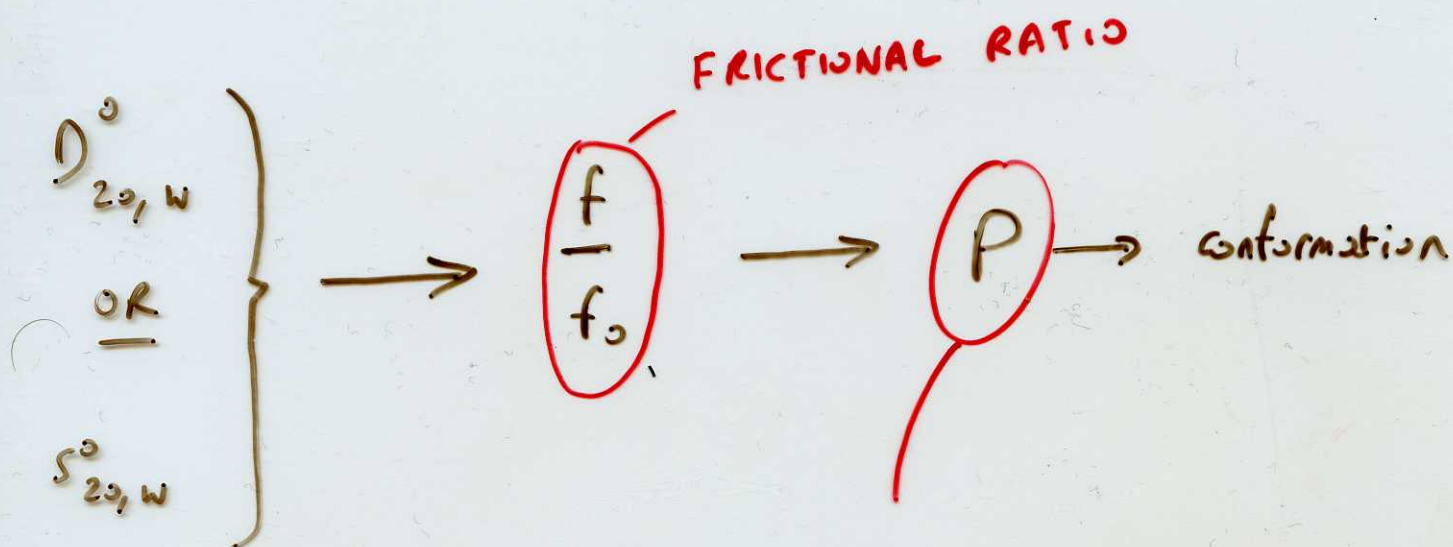


Figure 1. Plot of $\log_{10} R_H$ against $\log_{10}$ molecular weight. Proteins measured were: (1) thyroglobulin; (2) apoferritin; (3) IgG; (4) yeast alcohol dehydrogenase; (5) hexokinase; (6) amyloglucosidase; (7) horse alcohol dehydrogenase; (8) transferrin; (9) bovine serum albumin; (10) haemoglobin; (11) hexokinase sub-unit; (12) ovalbumin; (13) carbonic anhydrase; (14) chymotrypsinogen; (15) myoglobin; (16) lysozyme; (17) ribonuclease A. The relationship between $\log_{10} R_H$ and $\log_{10}$ molecular weight used in the estimation of molecular weight from measured R_H is also shown (—).

3. CONFORMATION



PERRIN FUNCTION
OR "FRICTIONAL RATIO
due to SHAPE"

f : frictional coefficient of macromolecule

f_0 : frictional coefficient of a sphere of the
same mass and same dry (anhydrous)
volume

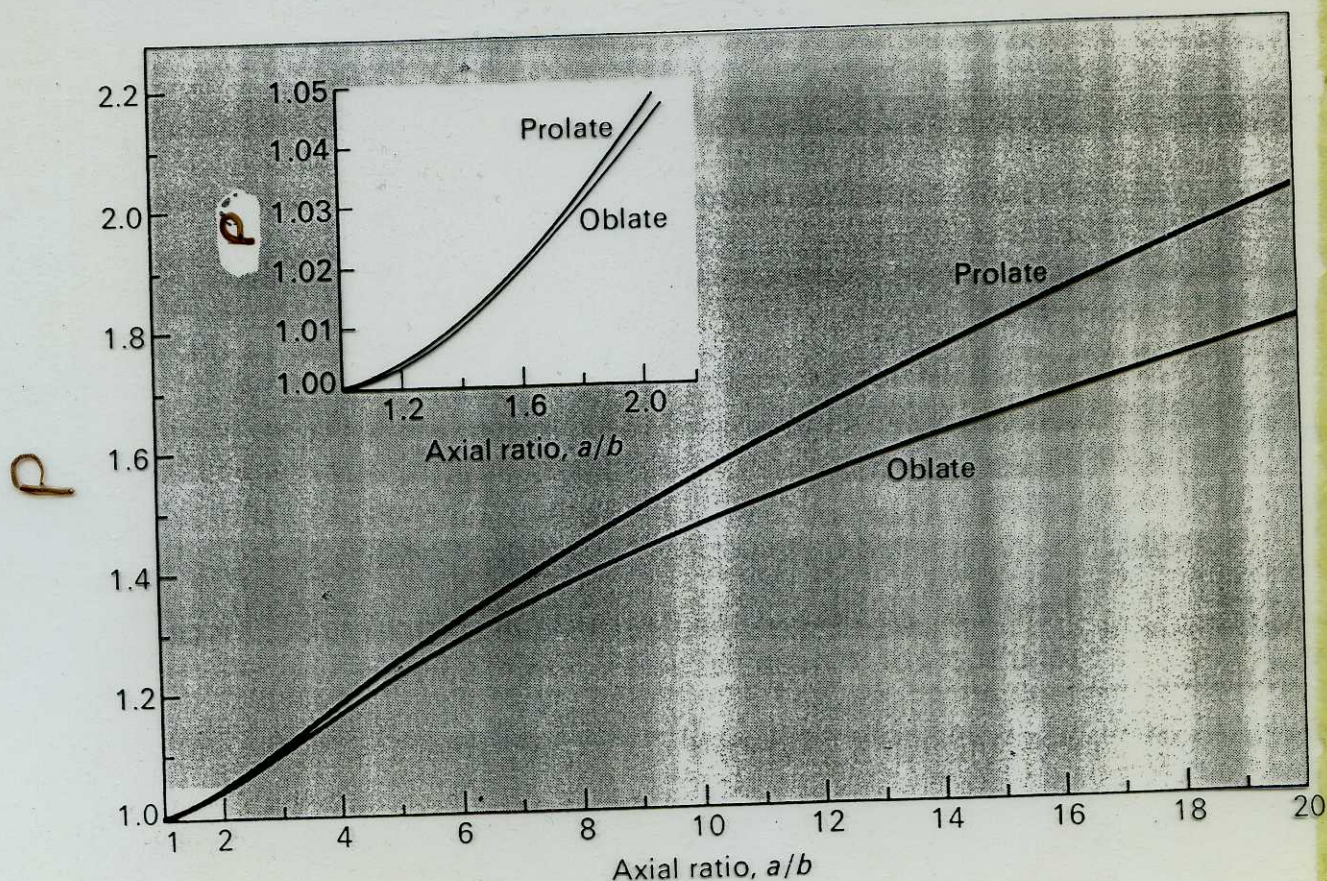
$$\frac{f}{f_0} = \frac{k_B T}{6\pi\eta_0} \left(\frac{4\pi N_A}{3\bar{v}M} \right)^{1/3} \cdot \frac{1}{\eta_{20,w}^0}$$

$$= \frac{M(1-\bar{v}\rho)}{N_A 6\pi\eta_0} \left(\frac{4\pi N_A}{3\bar{v}M} \right)^{1/3} \cdot \frac{1}{\eta_{20,w}^0}$$

$$\rho = \left(\frac{f}{f_0} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{\bar{v}}{v_s} \right)^{1/3}$$

$$v_s = \text{swollen specific volume (ml/g)} = \bar{v} + \frac{\delta}{\rho_0} \quad \text{hydration}$$

In terms of simple ellipsoids of revolution...

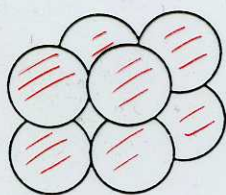


... or in terms of "BEAD MODELS"

- Strategy :
- ① From a given model calculate P (+ hence f/f_0 , $D_{20,w}^0$ + $S_{20,w}^0$)
 - ② Compare with experimental $D_{20,w}^0$, $S_{20,w}^0$
 - ③ Choose appropriate model or refine models until agreement is reached

e.g. α -lactoglobulin

^{octa}
{ ~~tetrameric~~ protein }



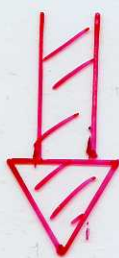
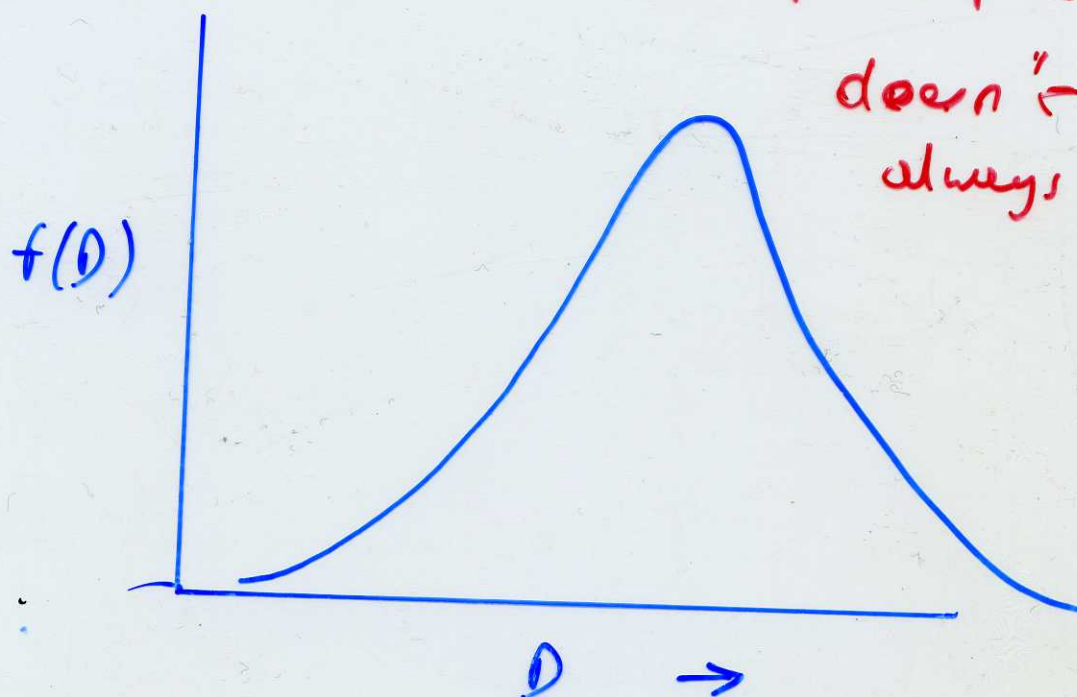
"Compact" form is the only form that agrees with the measured $S_{20,w}^0$ + $D_{20,w}^0$ data.

Another good example is the 11S says been globulin : also compact.

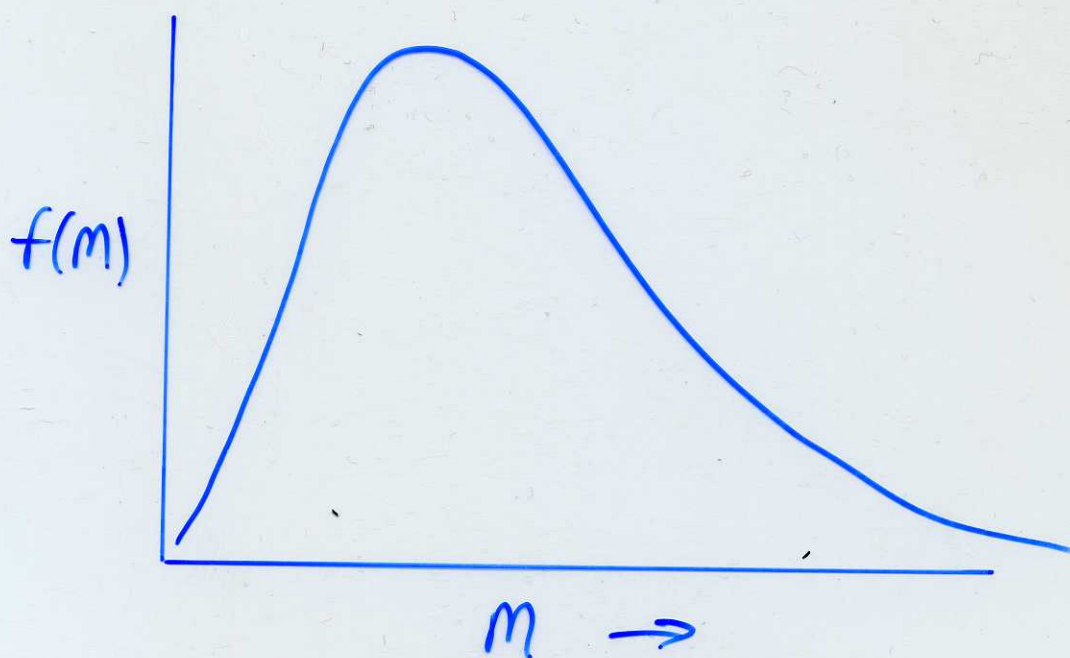
4. DISTRIBUTION OF SIZES

- in principle

doesn't
always work!



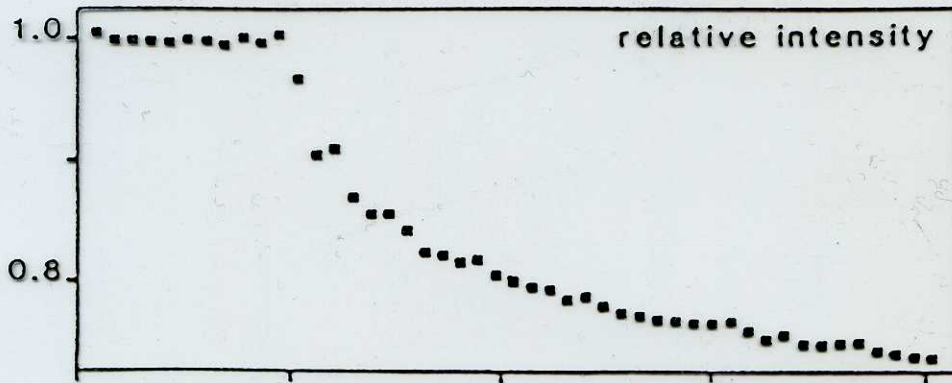
ASSUME A
CONFORMATION



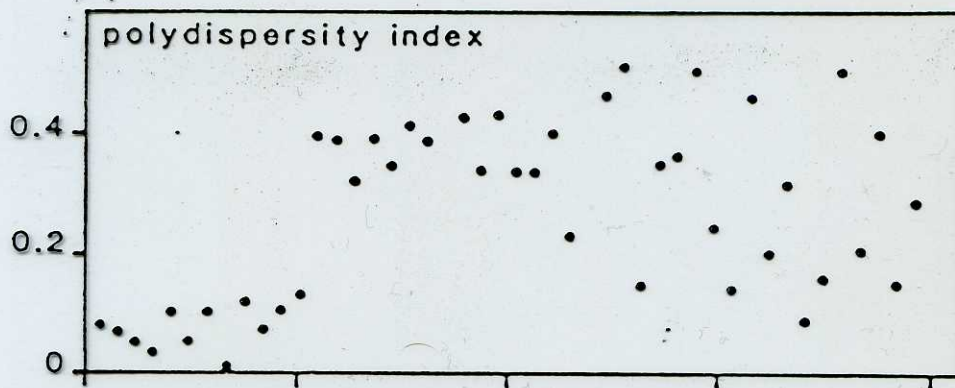
5. DYNAMIC LIGHT SCATTERING can be used
to follow dynamic processes:

e.g. swelling of virus particles

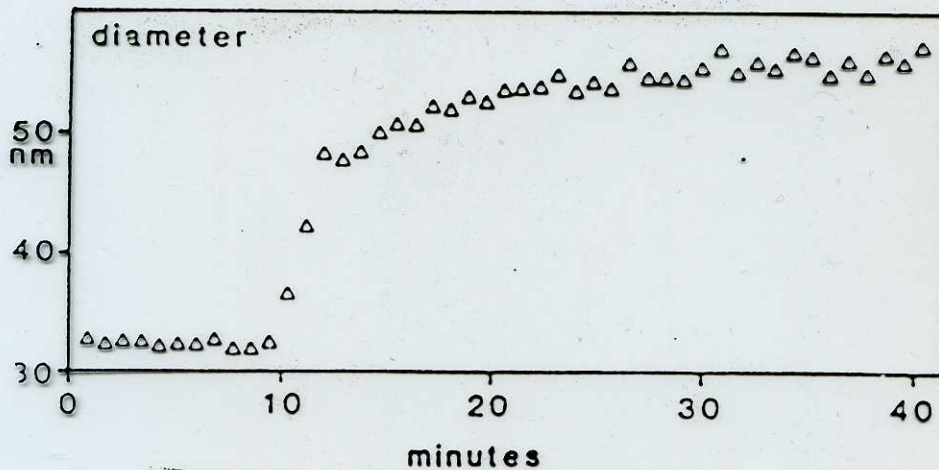
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spectrophotometer

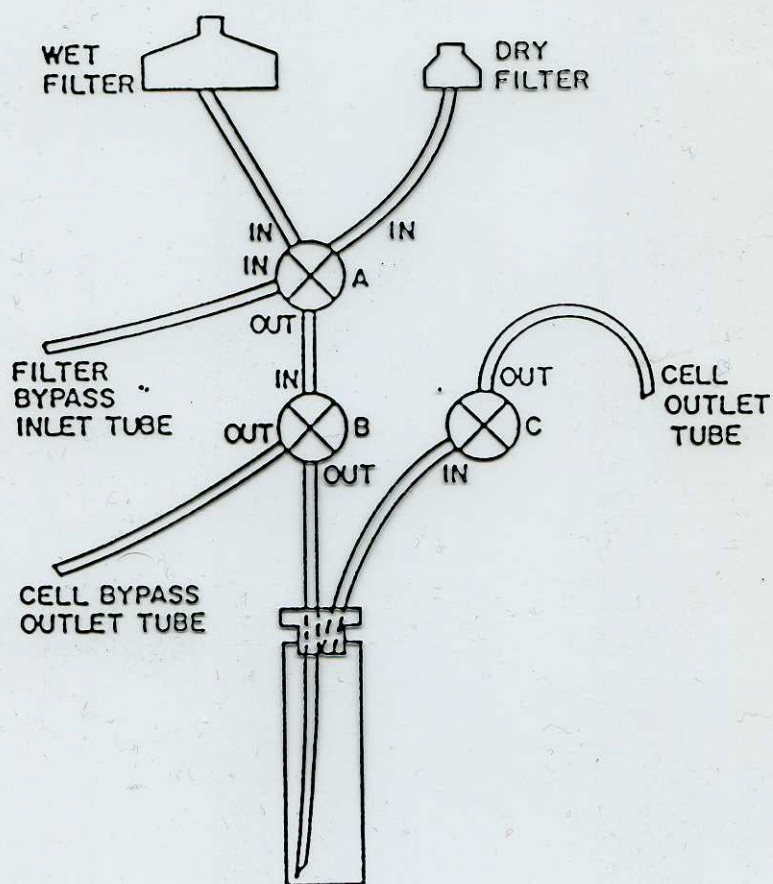


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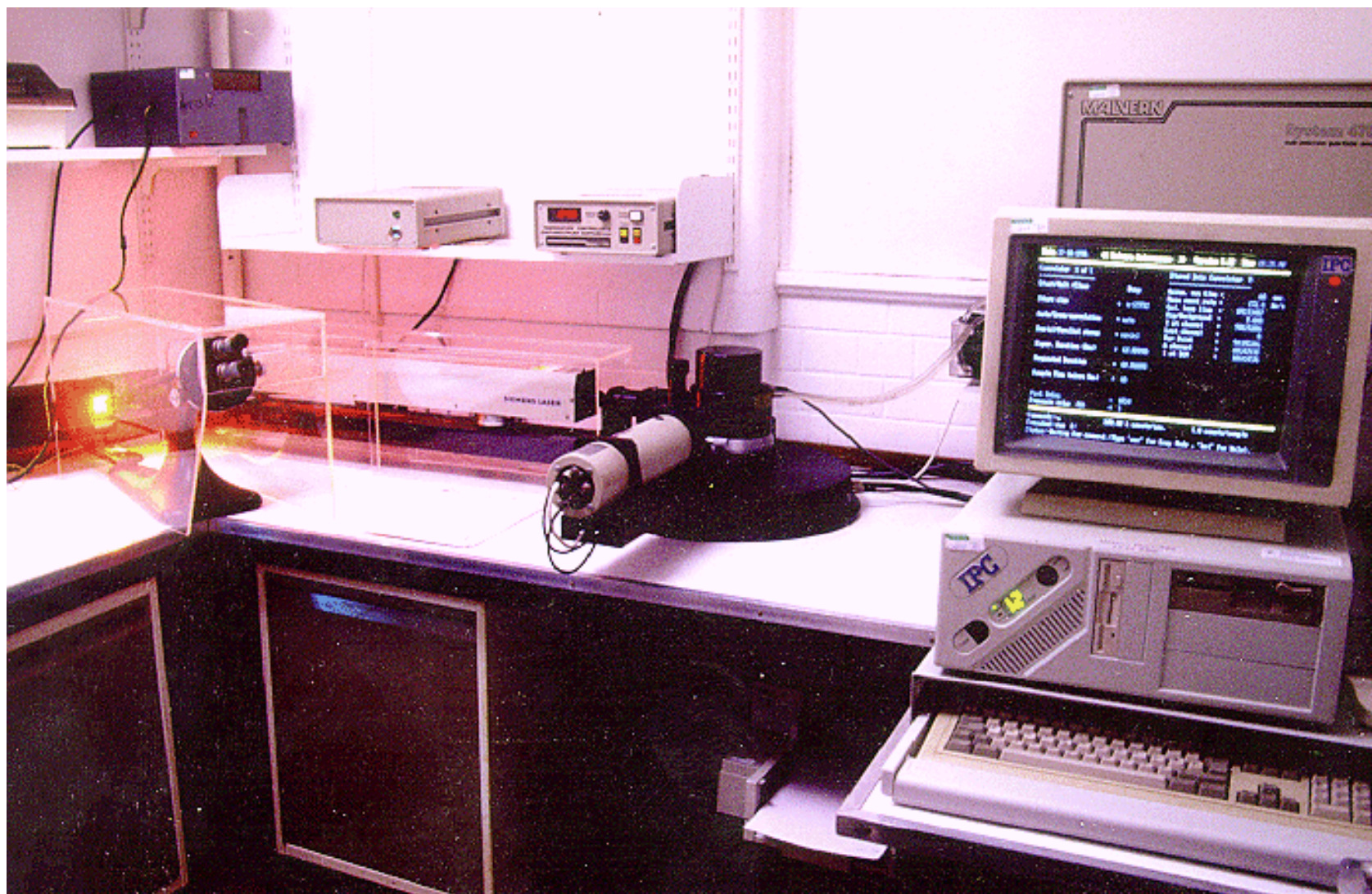


... solutions + scattering cells / cuvettes

have to be scrupulously clean



Multi-angle DLS – Malvern 4700 system



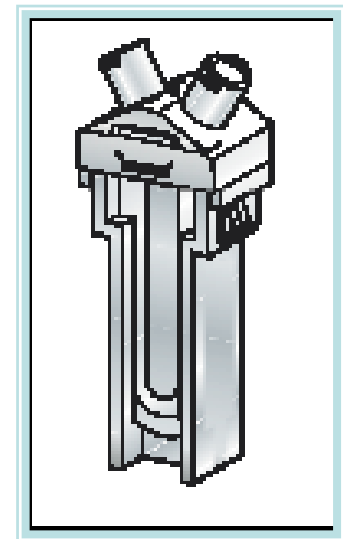
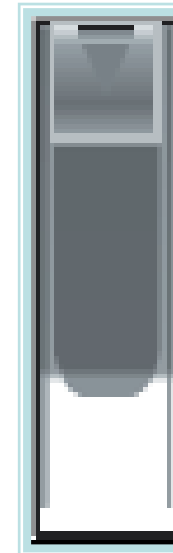
Fixed angle DLS – Protein Solutions System

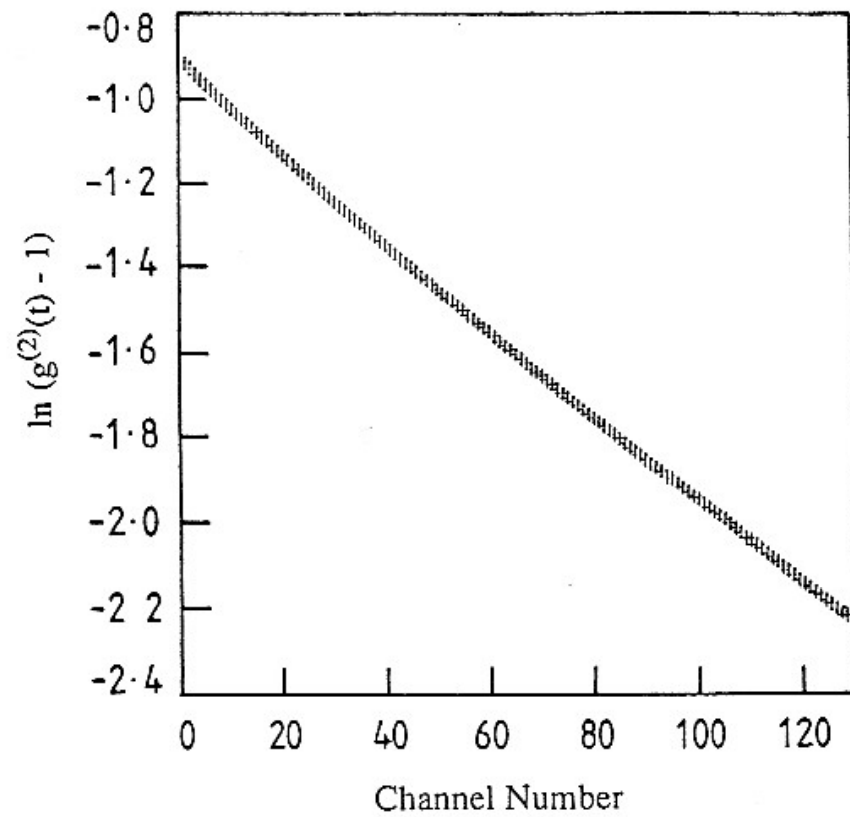
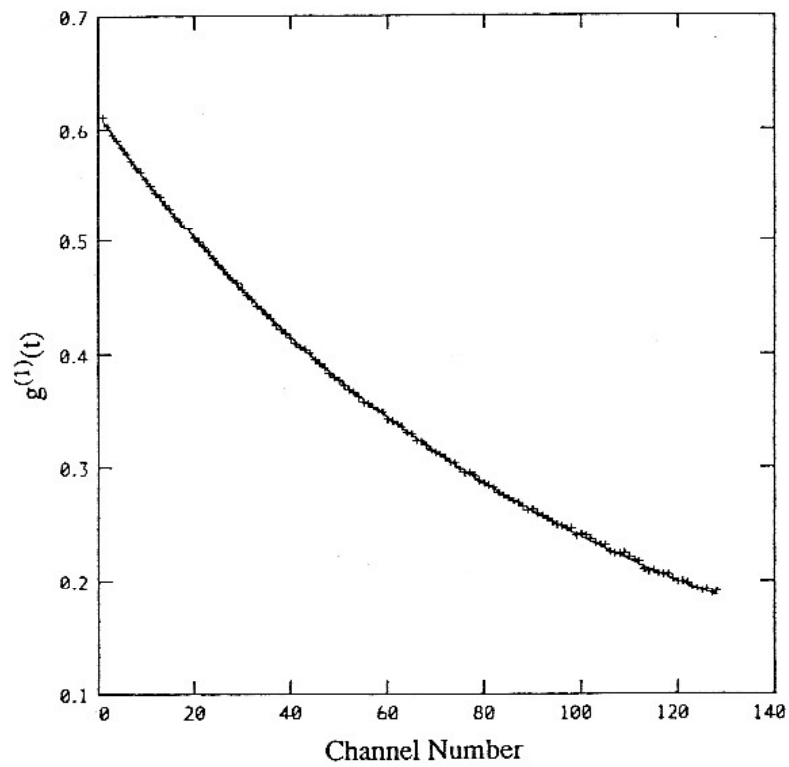


Fixed angle DLS – Malvern NanoS system



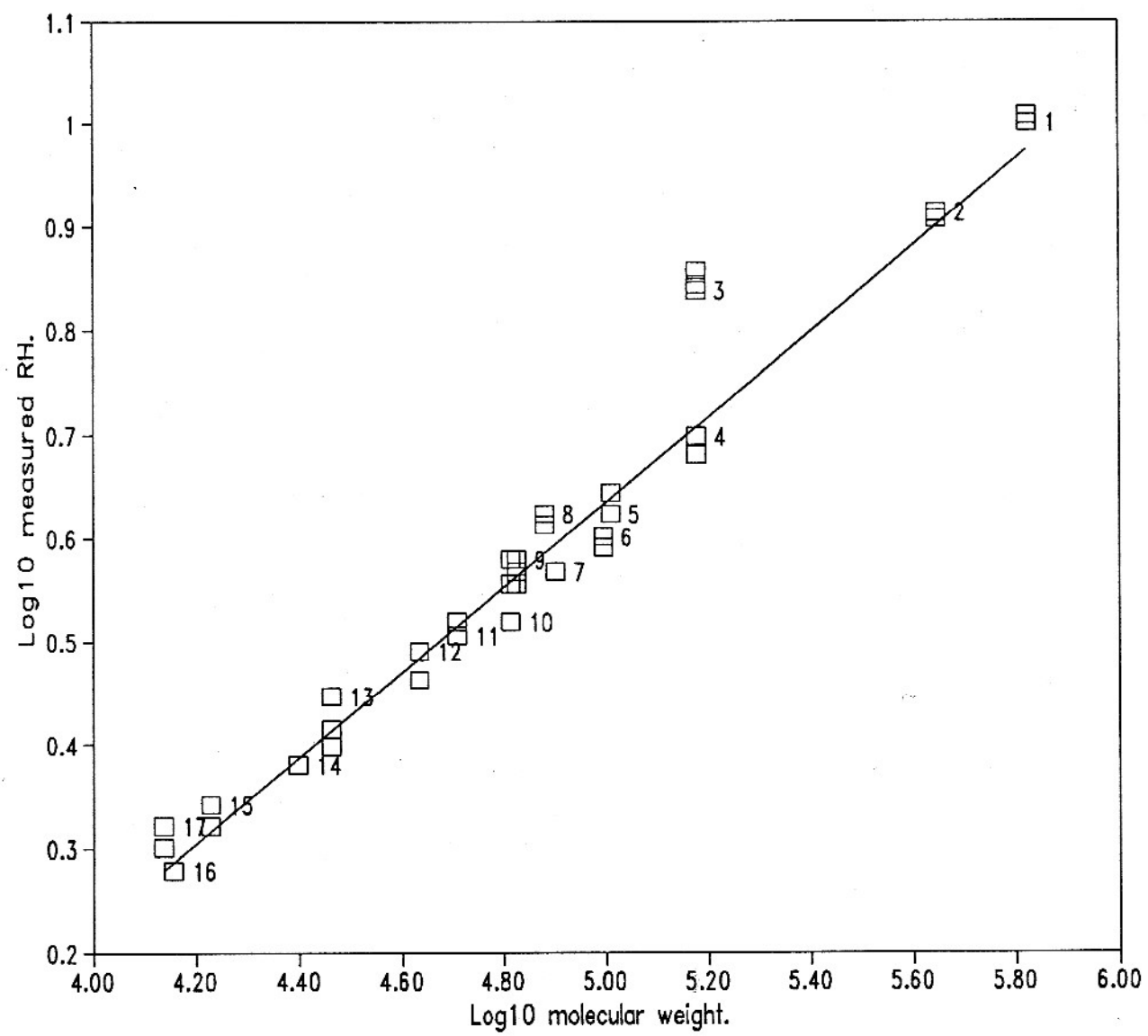
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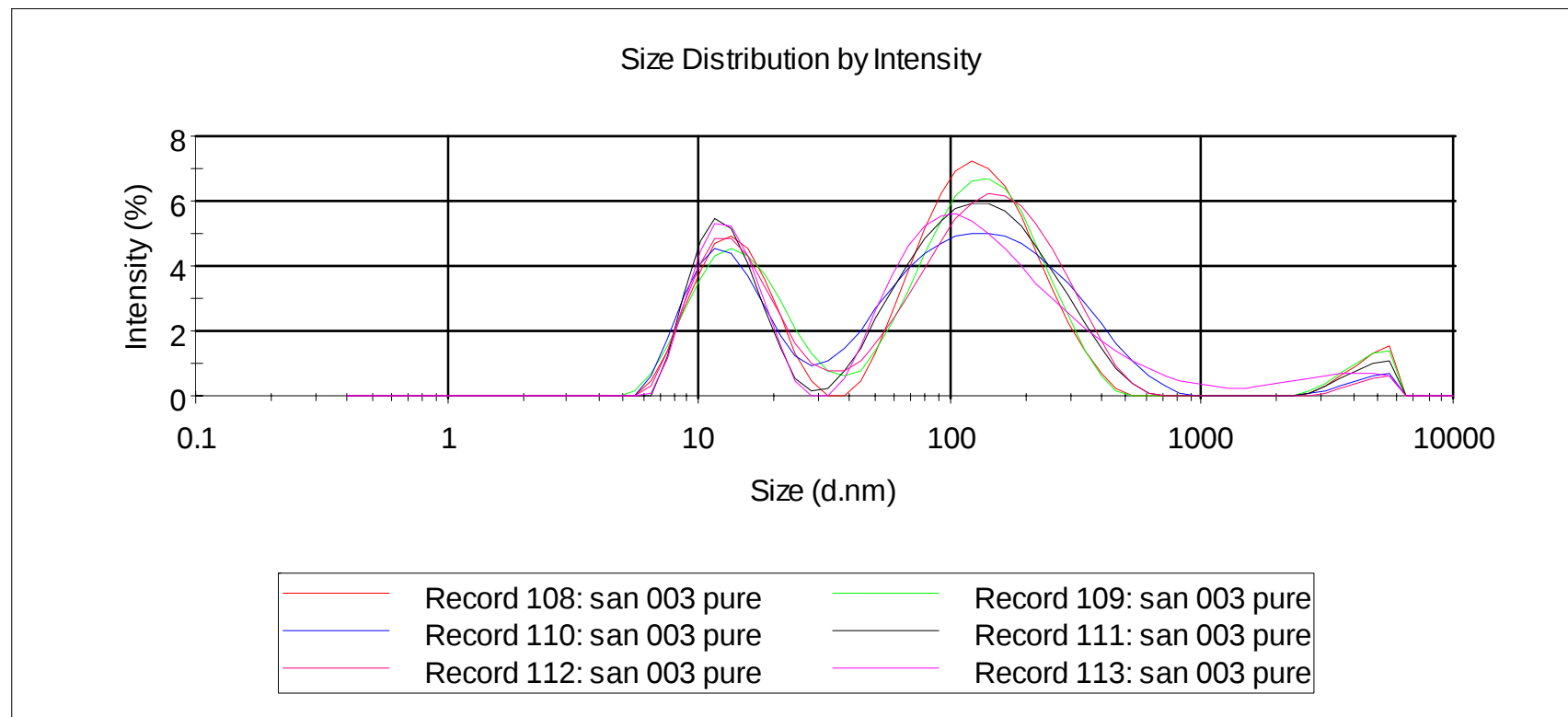


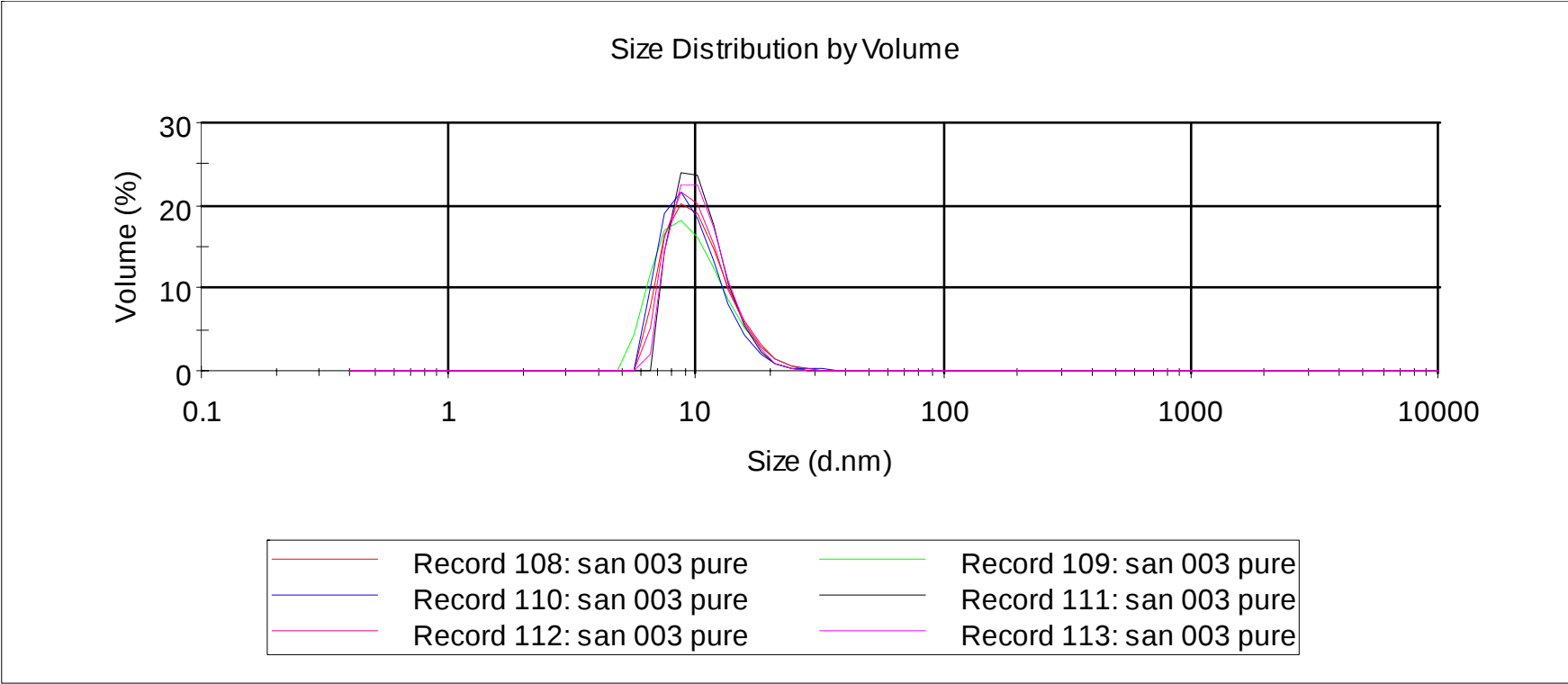


$$D = \frac{k_B T}{6\pi\eta R}$$

“size” $d = 2R$







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