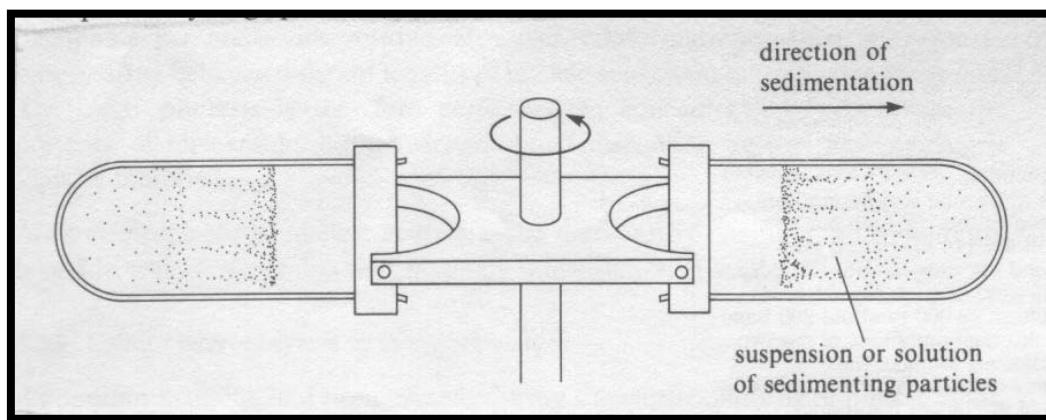


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Mo, 08.02.2010 10.00-11.30	Hörsaal Institut für Glaschemie Fraunhoferstrasse 6	<i>Albert Einstein and the Viscosity of Macromolecules</i>
Mo, 08.02.2010 12.15-13.45	Hörsaal Haus 1,IAAC, August-Bebel-Str. 2	<i>Light Scattering and SEC-MALLs</i>
Di, 09.02.2010 12.15-13.45	Institut für Materialwissenschaft und Werkstofftechnologie, HS 124 Löbdergraben 32	<i>Dynamic Light Scattering</i>
Mi, 10.02.2010 16.15-17.45	Hörsaal 3 Carl-Zeiss-Str. 3	<i>Analytical Ultracentrifugation I</i>
Do, 11.02.2010 14.15-15.45	Döbereiner Hörsaal	<i>Analytical Ultracentrifugation II: Interactions</i>

Lecture 4. Analytical Ultracentrifugation I: Molecular weight and conformation



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125th The Svedberg Anniversary

18th International AUC Conference

Uppsala University, Sweden, Sept. 13-18, 2009

Analytical Ultracentrifugation Conference

Welcome!

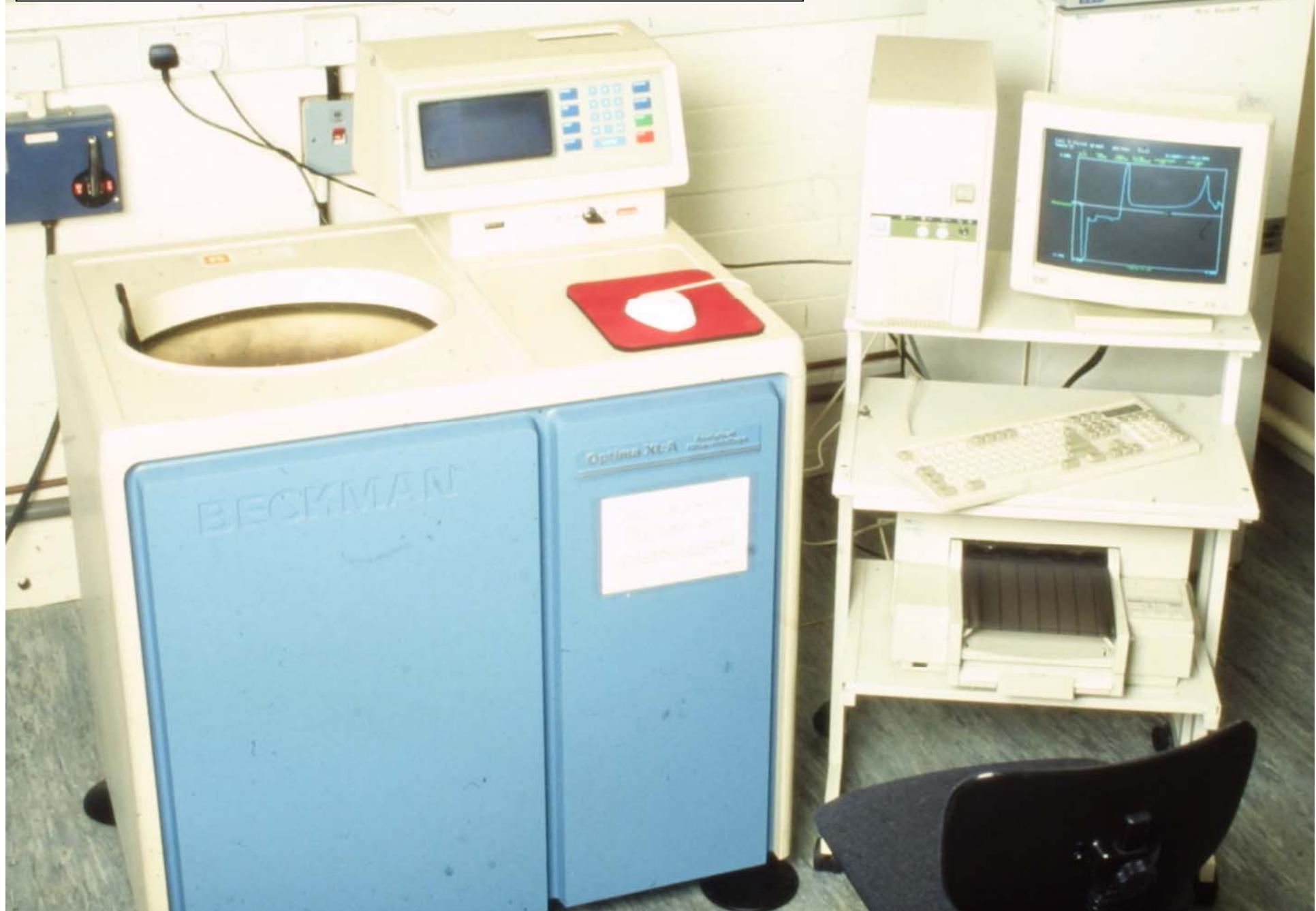
This conference on Analytical Ultracentrifugation is dedicated to [Nobel Laureate The Svedberg \(biography\)](#) at the 125th anniversary of his birth on August 30, 1884. The Svedberg is the father of the analytical ultracentrifuge, an invention that allowed the determination of particle size distributions of colloids, the determination of molecular weights of macromolecules and the proof that macromolecules exist. The ultracentrifuge helped to put The on his way to the Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 1926 for his work on disperse systems. The pioneering work of Svedberg and his colleagues on colloids and macromolecular compounds laid the foundations for far-reaching progress in molecular biology, macromolecular chemistry and biochemistry as well as colloid science. The envisaged topics of this special conference try to follow The Svedberg's broad range of scientific interests related to the Analytical Ultracentrifuge.

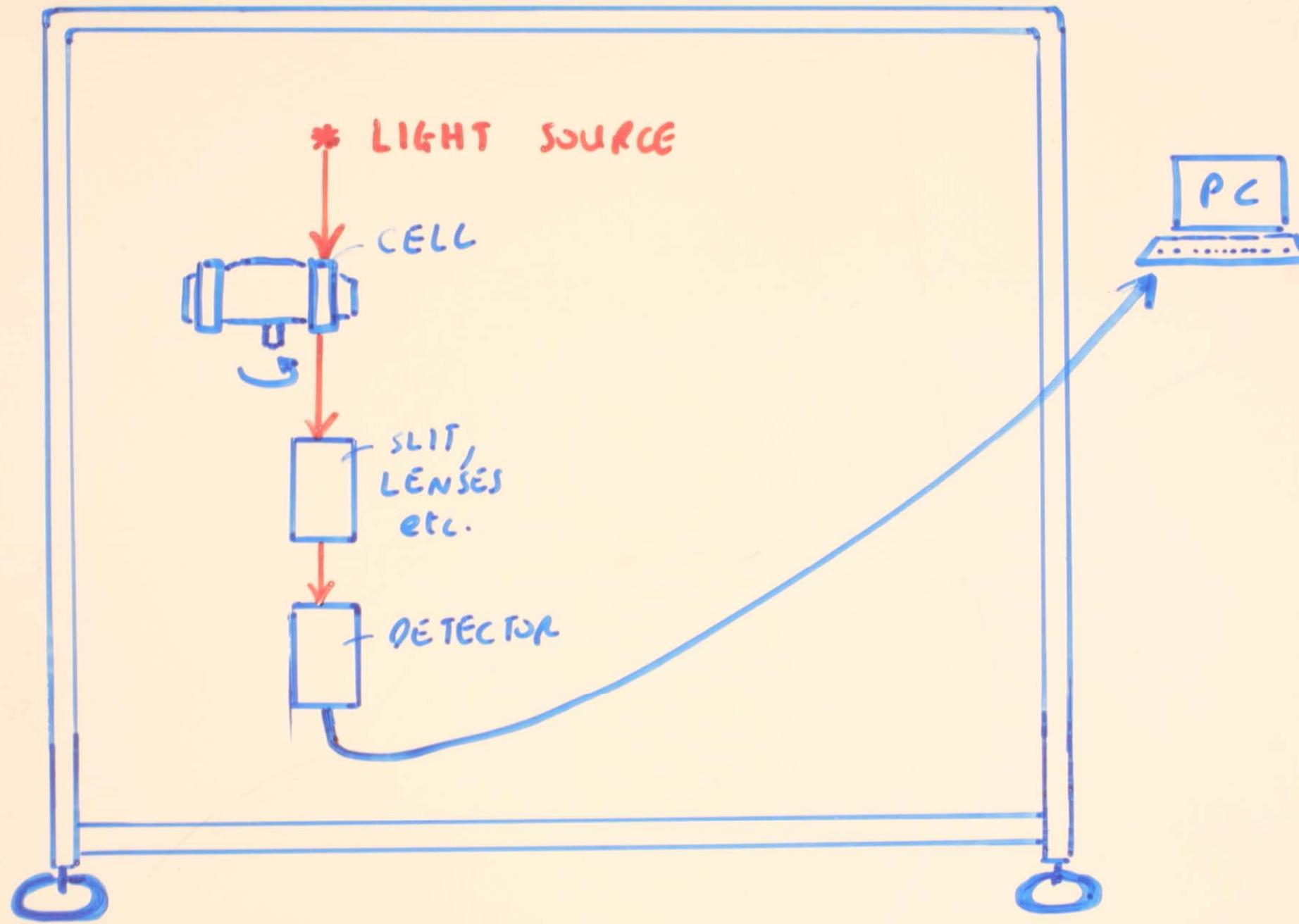


The Svedberg



Molecular weight: analytical ultracentrifugation





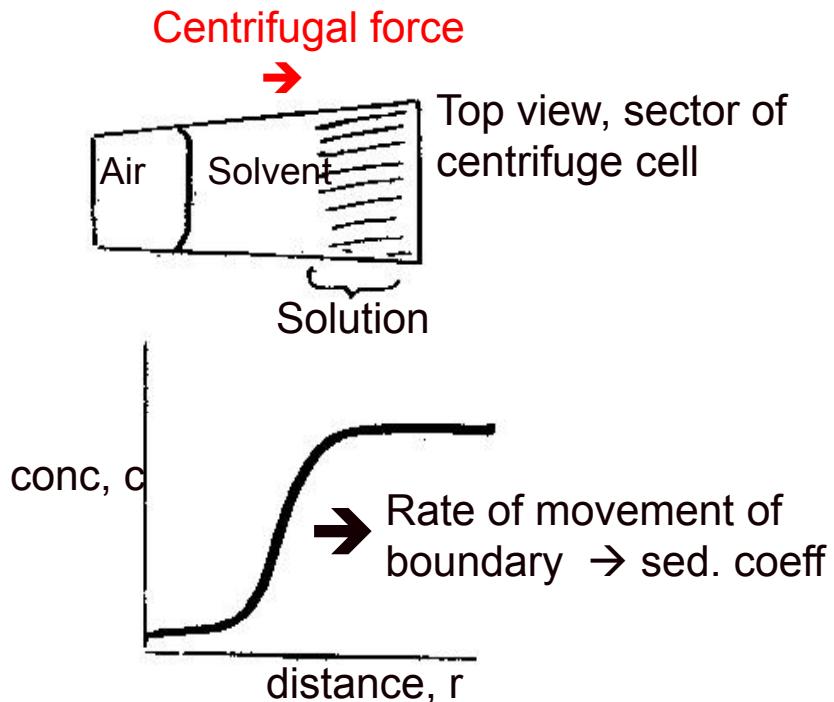




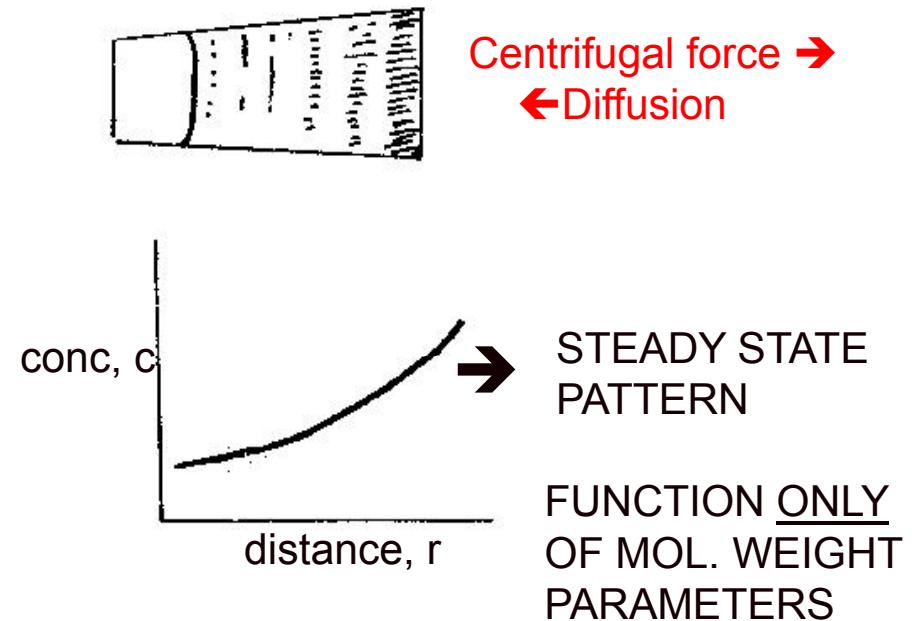
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Analytical ultracentrifugation:

Sedimentation Velocity

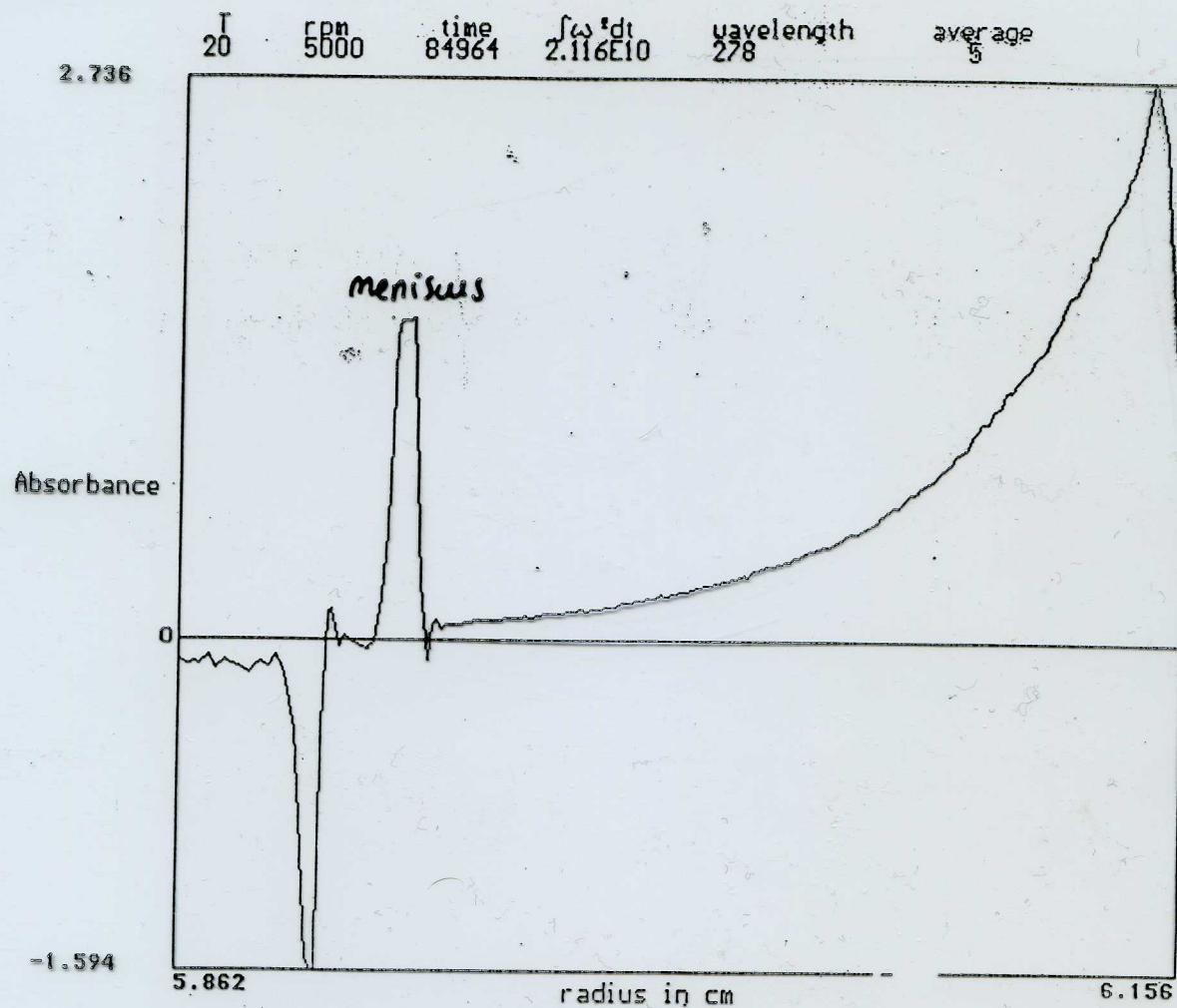


Sedimentation Equilibrium

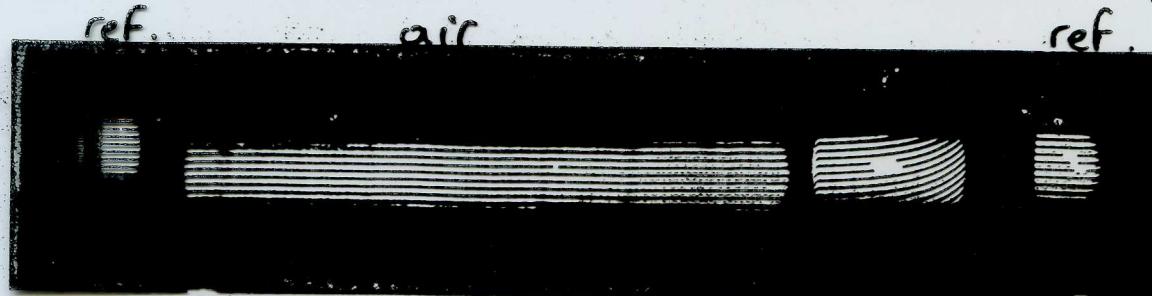


OPTICAL RECORDS FROM SEDIMENTATION EQUILIBRIUM

Absorption ($Ig M$) $M_w \sim 1.0 \times 10^6$



Interference (reduced mucin) $M_w \sim 500000$



SEDIMENTATION EQUILIBRIUM TRACE :

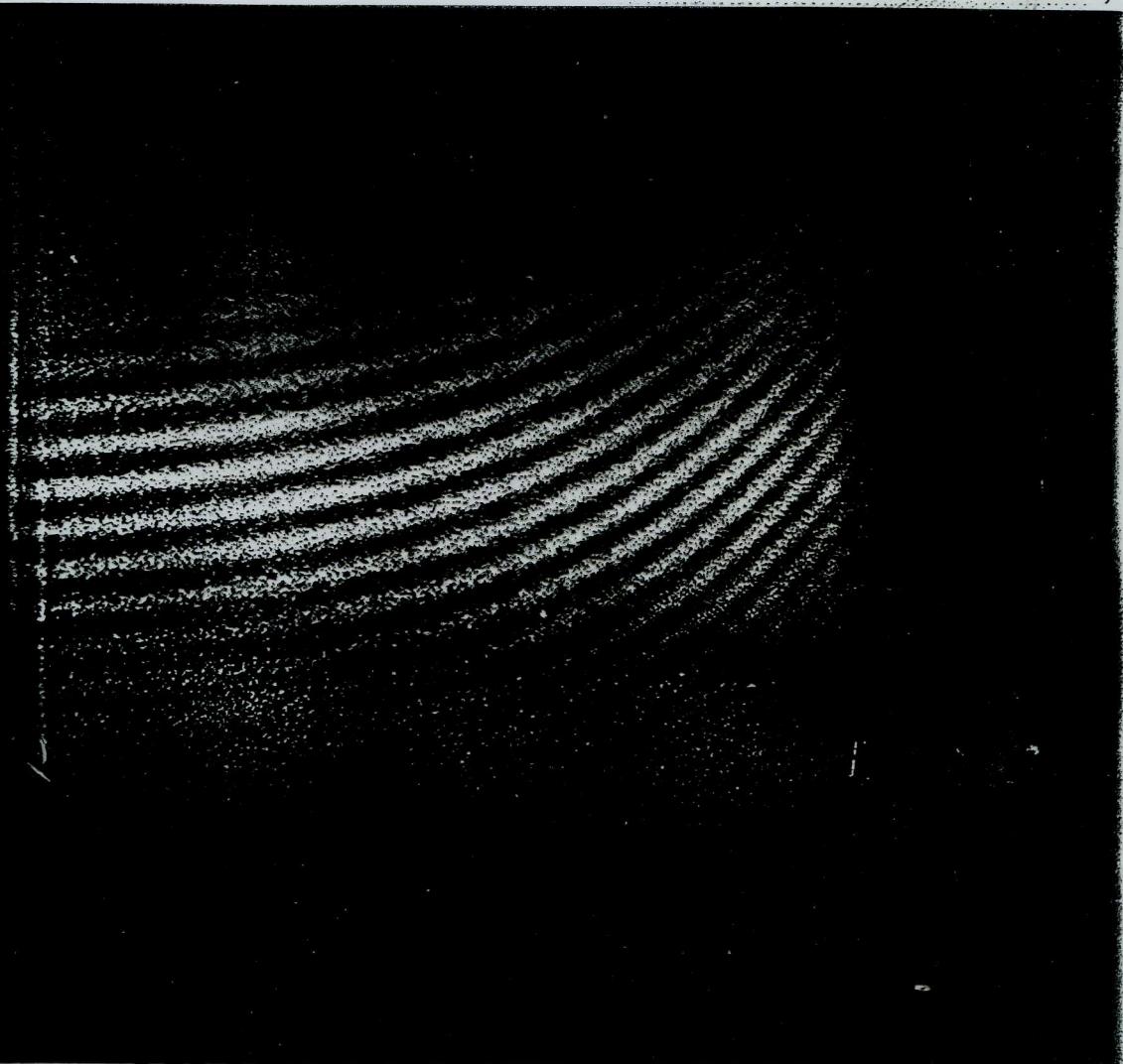
Interference Optics - Ovalbumin

$$M_w = 45000$$

centrifugal field
→

m (meniscus)
↓

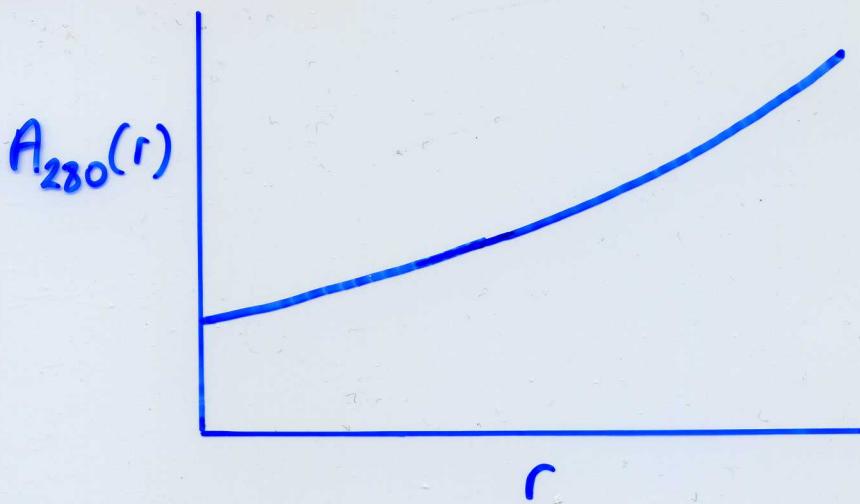
b (base
+ cell)



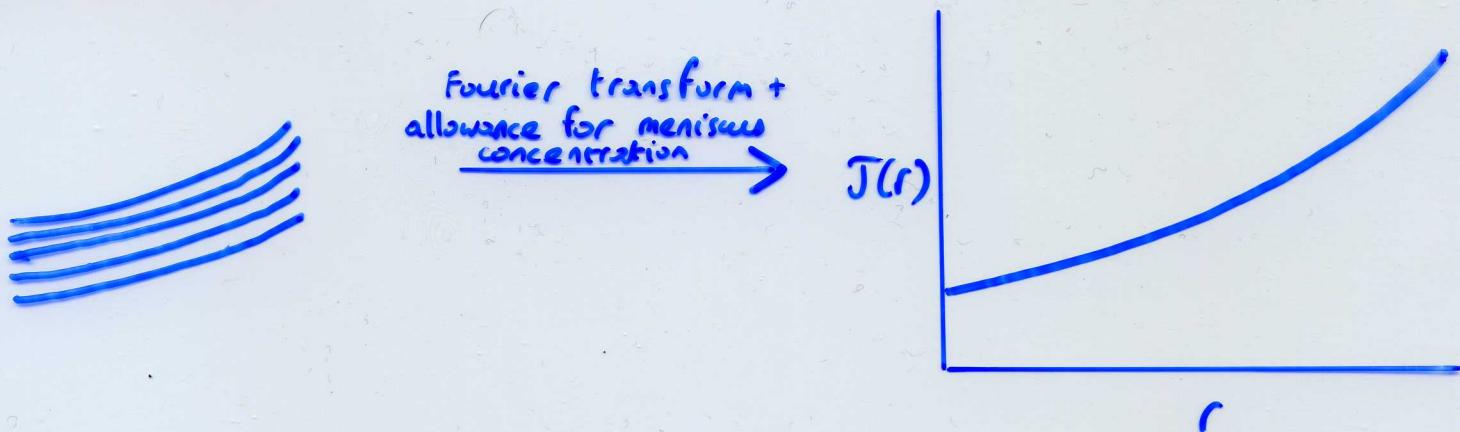
structure from
rotor centre

∴ To summarize both uv-absorption and interference optics provide a record of the concentration distribution of sedimentation equilibrium in the ultracentrifuge cell

① UV ABSORPTION

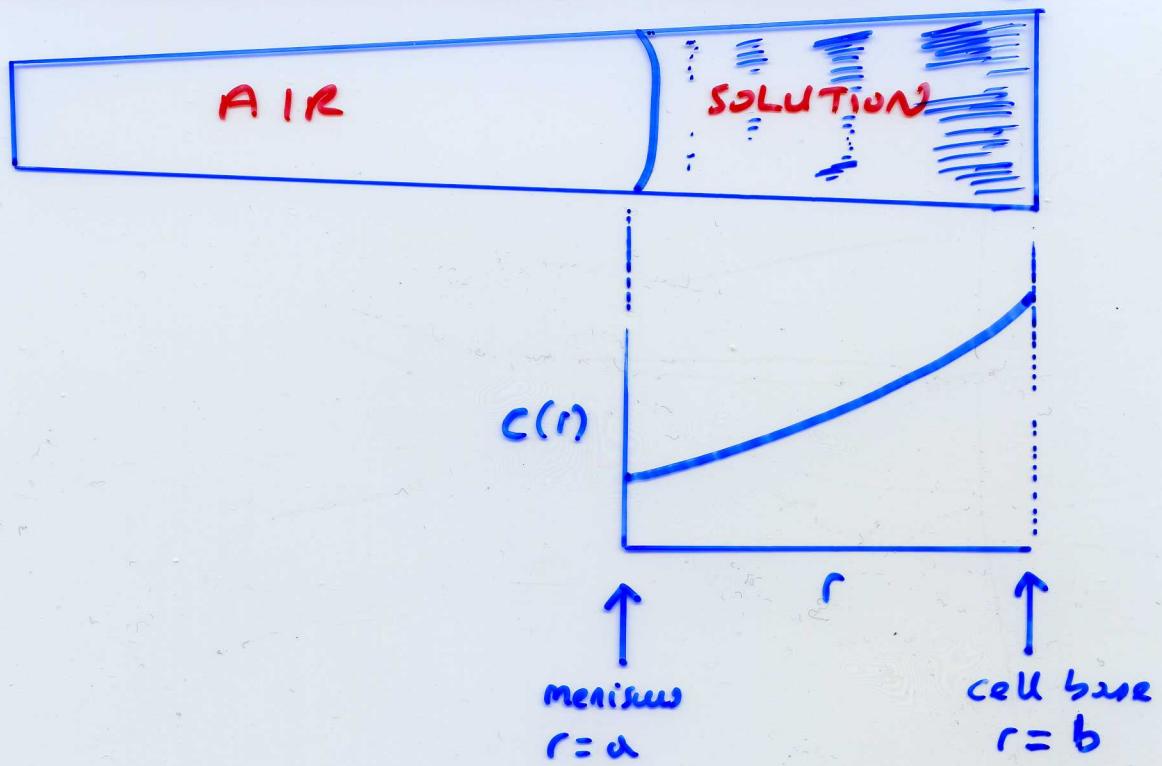


② INTERFERENCE



IN BOTH CASES } $A(r) \propto c(r)$
THE RECORD IS A DIRECT } $J(r) \propto c(r)$
RECORD OF CONCENTRATION

DISTANCE FROM THE ROTOR CENTRE, r →



In working out molecular weights we can either use concentrations in the centrifuge cell, $c(r)$, directly (g/ml) or use absorbances $A(r)$ or fringe displacements $T(r)$

At sedimentation Equilibrium sedimentation & diffusion forces are = and opposite

$$\omega^2 r M (1 - \bar{v}_p) = \frac{RT}{c(r)} \frac{dc(r)}{dr}$$

(from sedimentation)

(from diffusion)

$$\therefore \frac{1}{c(r)} \frac{dc(r)}{dr} = \frac{\omega^2 r M (1 - \bar{v}_p)}{RT}$$

N.B. For heterogeneous / non-ideal systems M should be $M_{w,app}$

THE IMPORTANT EQUATIONS FOR SEDIMENTATION EQU.

Fundamental equation : $\frac{1}{c(r)} \frac{dc(r)}{dr} = \frac{\omega^2 r M_{w,app} (1-\bar{v}\rho)}{RT}$

+ its integrated form : $c(r) = c(a) e^{\frac{\omega^2 M_{w,app} (1-\bar{v}\rho) (r^2 - a^2)}{2RT}}$

These can be manipulated in a number of ways

① Logarithmic form over the whole distribution (from $r=a$ to $r=b$)

$$M_{w,app} = \left[\ln \frac{c(b)}{c(a)} \right] \cdot \frac{2RT}{\omega^2 (1-\bar{v}\rho) (b^2 - a^2)}$$

(n.b. at low concentration $M_{w,app} \approx M_w$)

② Integral form over the whole distribution

$$M_{w,app} = \left[\frac{c(b) - c(a)}{c^0} \right] \frac{2RT}{\omega^2 (1-\bar{v}\rho) (b^2 - a^2)}$$

c^0 : initial concentration loaded into the centrifuge cell

③ "Local" or point average molecular weights

$$M_{w,app}(r) = \frac{d \ln c(r)}{dr} \cdot \frac{2RT}{(1-\bar{v}\rho) \omega^2}$$

④ M^* form

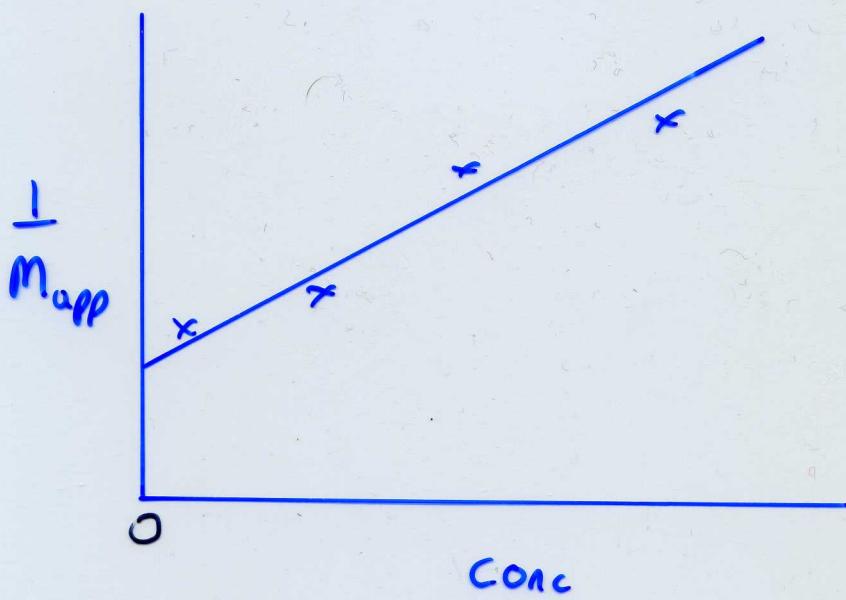
$$M^*(r) = \frac{c(r) - c(2)}{\left[\frac{(1-\bar{\nu}\rho)\omega^2}{2RT} \right] \cdot \left[c(2)(r^2-a^2) + 2 \int_a^r r \{c(r)-c(a)\} dr \right]}$$

and $M_{w,app} = M^*(r \rightarrow b)$

THERMODYNAMIC NON-IDEALITY

Values for M so obtained (at a finite concentration) c) are only apparent values (M_{app}) because of non-ideality [although in practise, for proteins $M_{app} \approx M$ especially for concentrations $\leq 1.0 \text{ mg/ml}$] for glycoconjugates + polysaccharides, an extrapolation

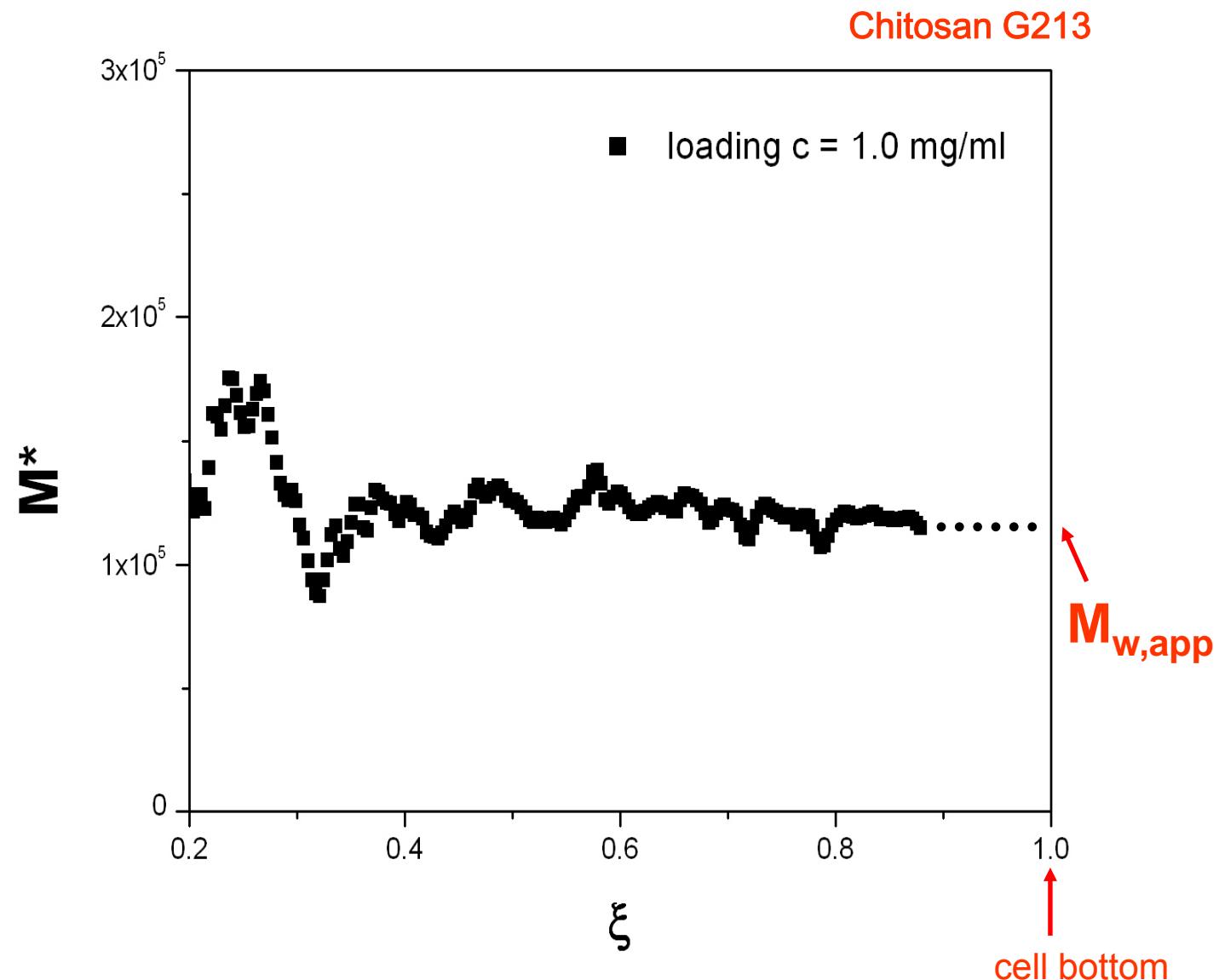
MAY be necessary



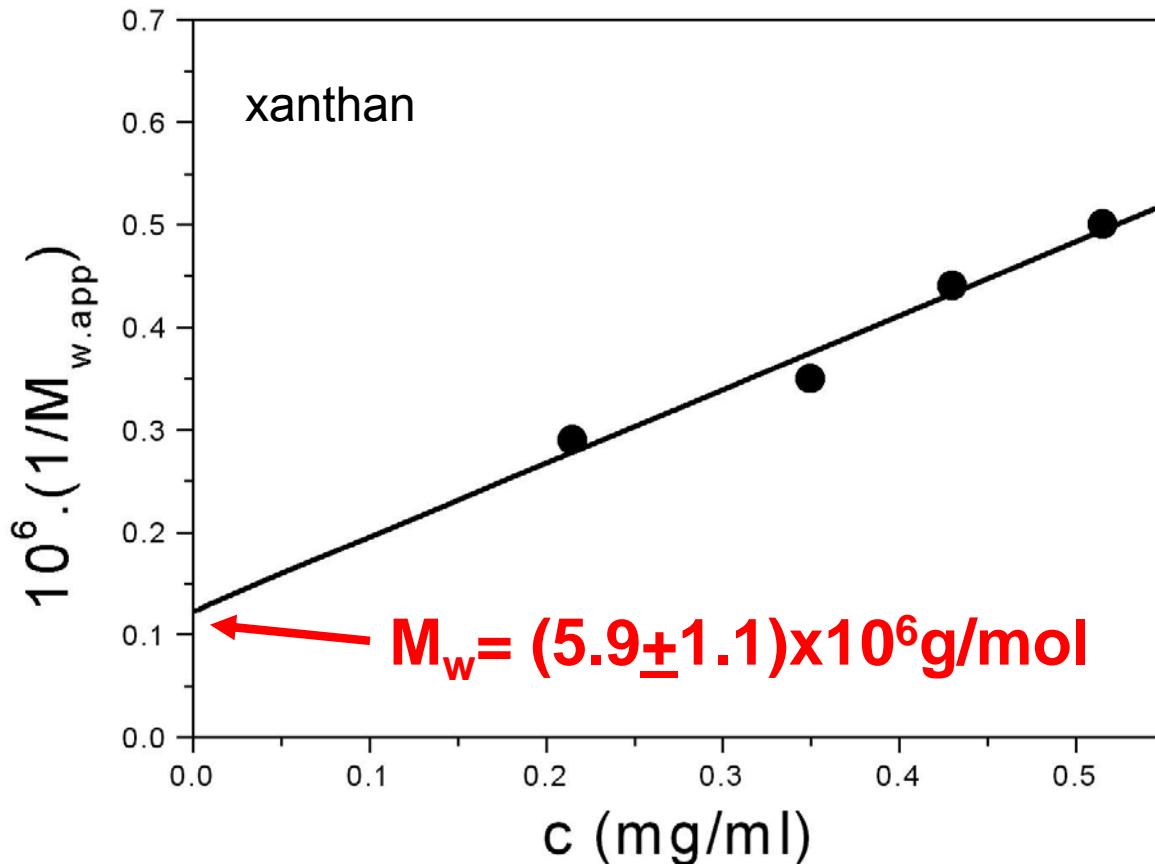
$$\frac{1}{M_{app}} = \frac{1}{M} (1 + 2B M_c)$$

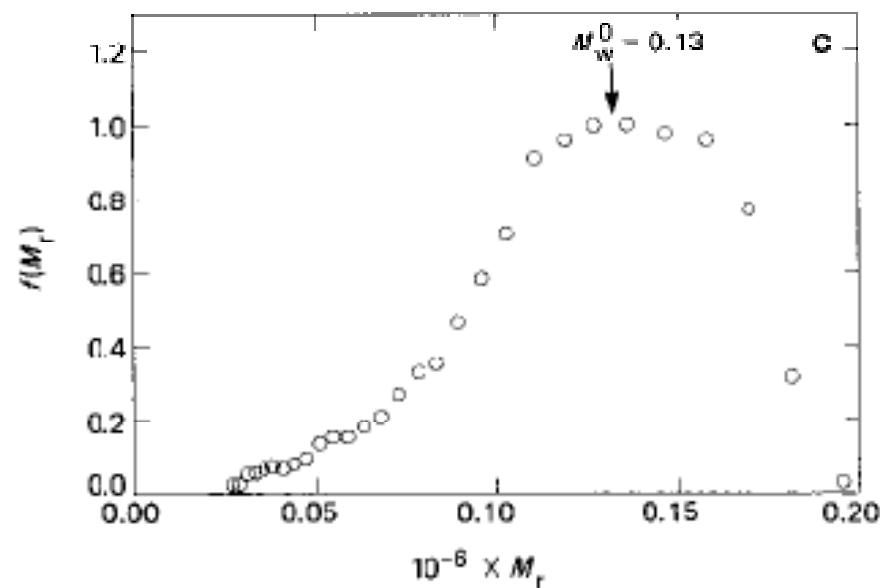
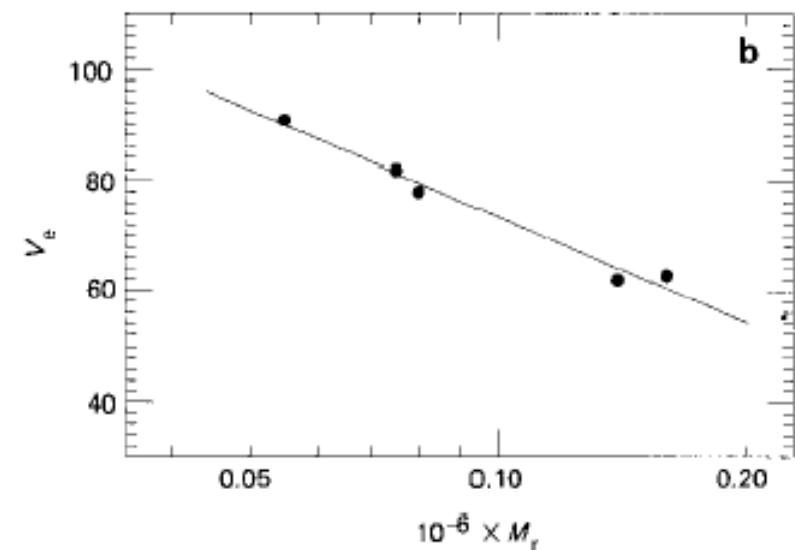
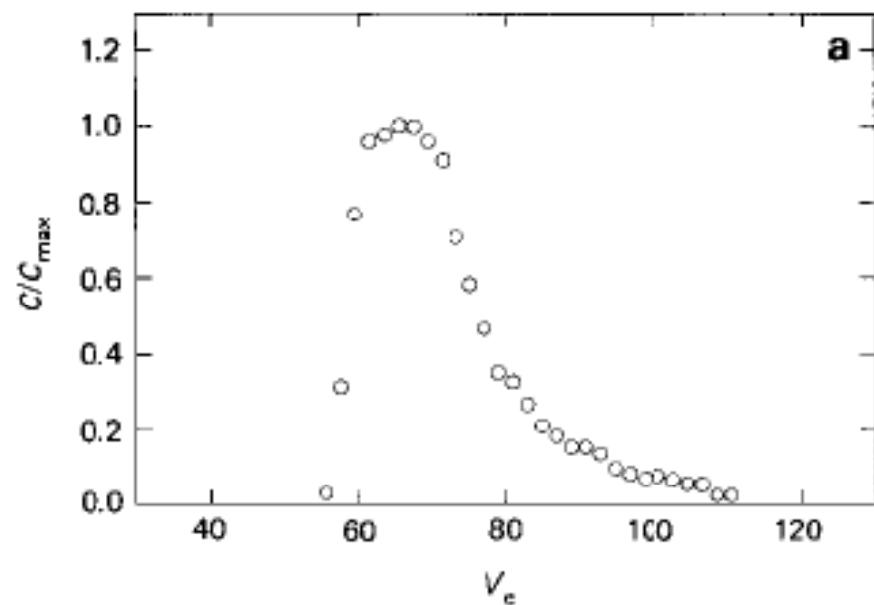
2nd virial coefficient

Extraction of $M_{w,app}$ from sedimentation equilibrium and "MSTAR" analysis



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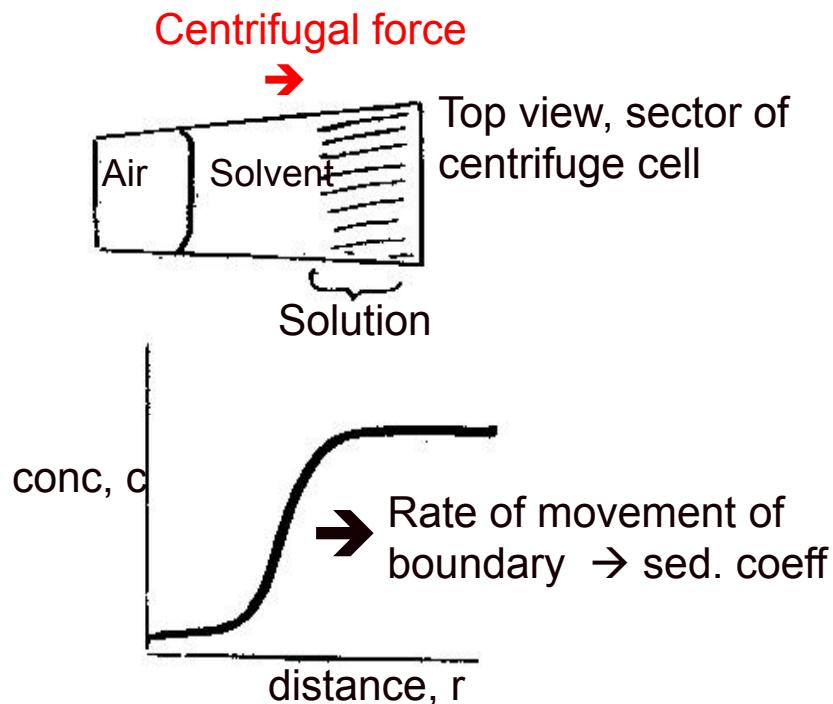




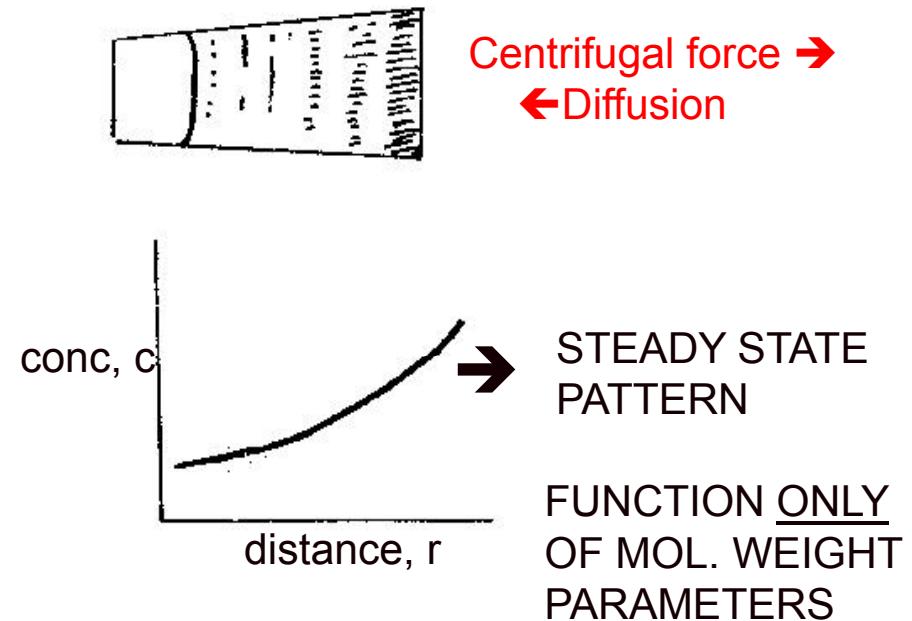
*SEC - sedimentation equilibrium
mol. wt distribution: alginate*

Ball A, Harding SE & Mitchell J,
Int. J. Biol. Macromol., 1988

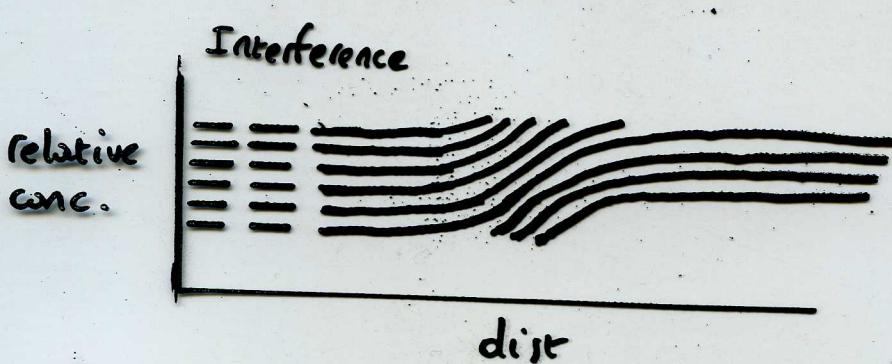
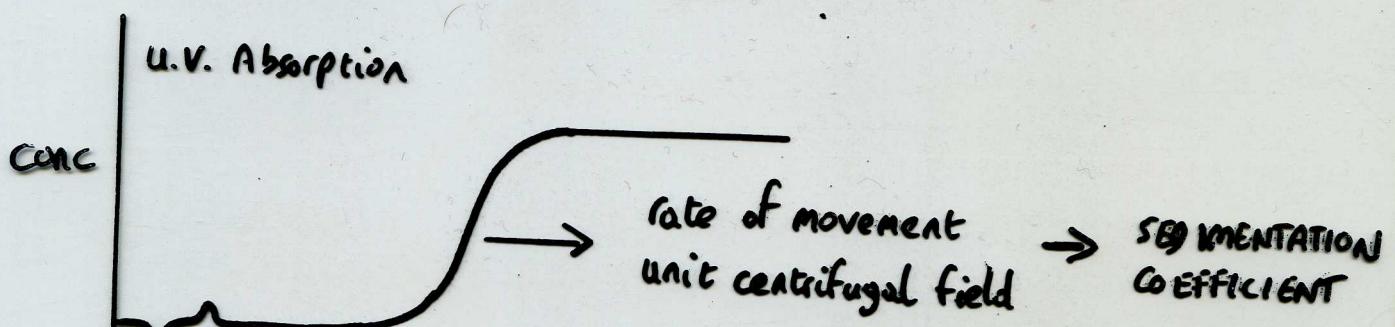
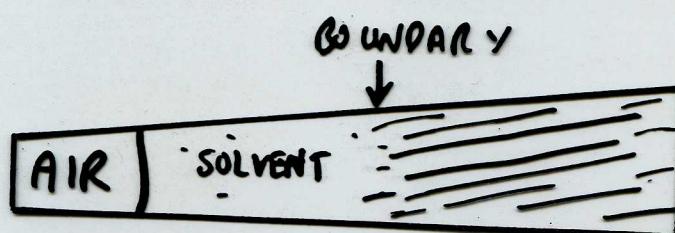
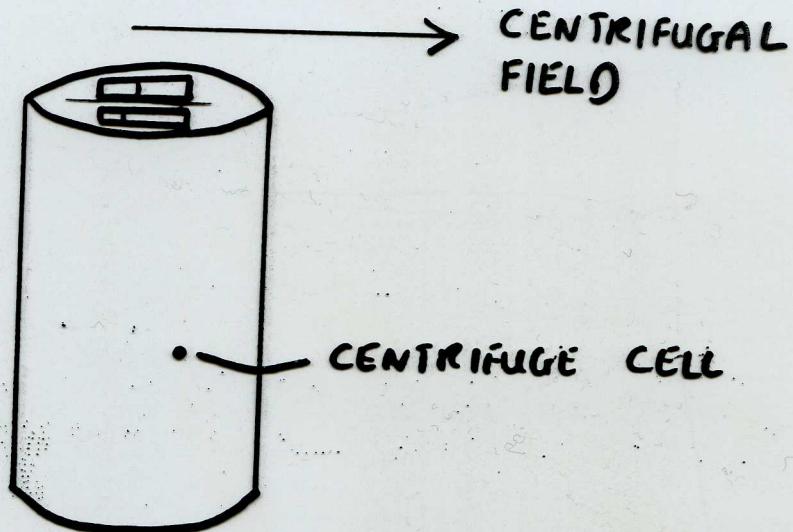
Sedimentation Velocity



Sedimentation Equilibrium



SEDIMENTATION VELOCITY

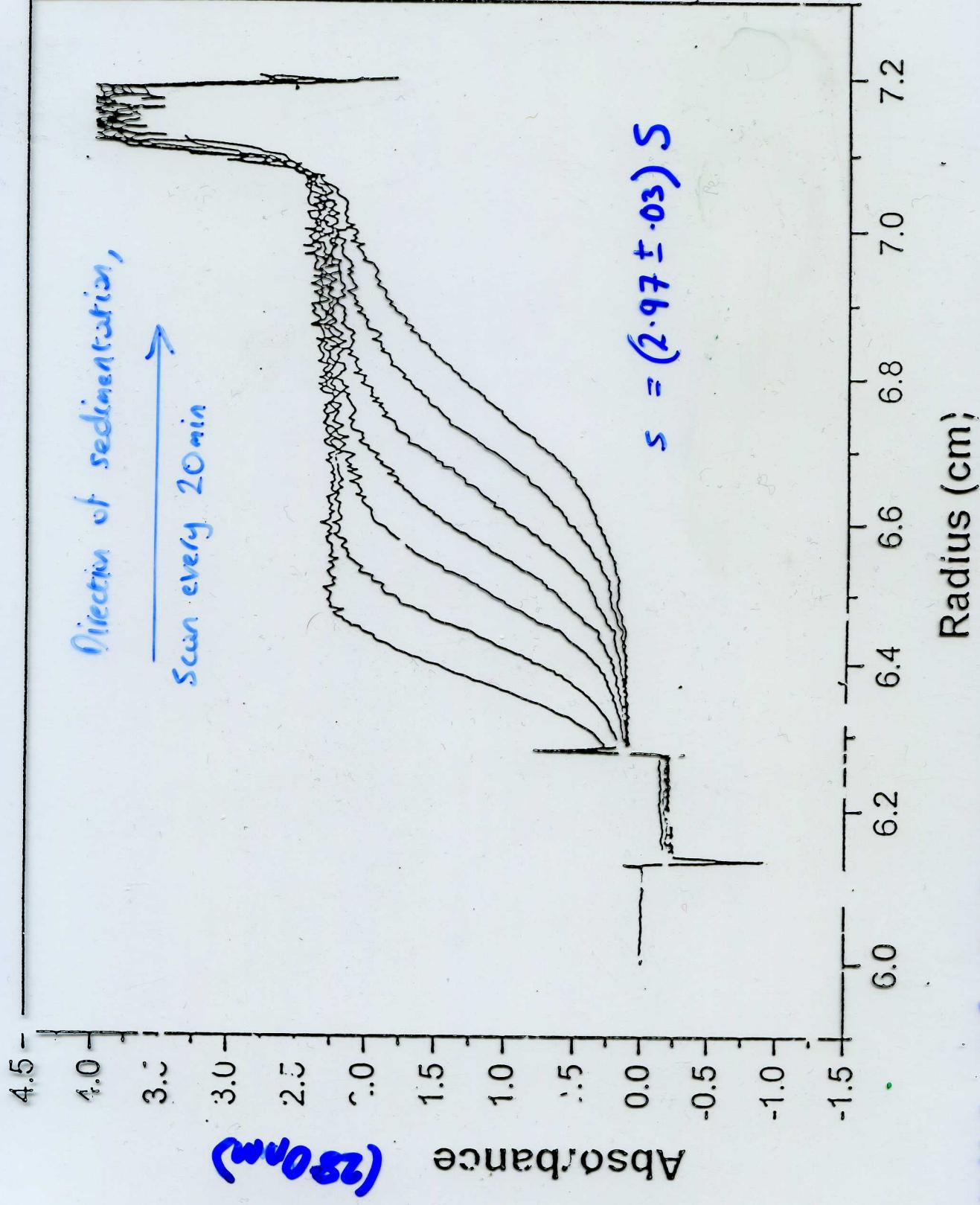


s_0
20, N

UNIT: SVEDBERGS

$1 \text{ S} = 10^{-13} \text{ sec}$

B- Lactoglobulin , 25.0°C, 50000 rpm



EXAMPLE OF SEDIMENTATION VELOCITY AND ABSORBTION PROFILE

Interference Optics:

Tomato Bushy Stunt Virus

11000 rpm 20.0°C $s = (130 \pm 2) S$

Meniscus
↓

Centre of
Sedimenting boundary
↓

Bottom of
cell
↓

→
Direction of
Sedimentation

EXAMPLE OF SEDIMENTATION VELOCITY
USING REFRACTOMETRIC (INTERFERENCE) OPTICS

Sedimentation velocity

sedimentation coefficient, s

$$= \frac{\text{velocity}}{\text{centrifugal field}}$$

$$= \frac{v}{\omega^2 r}$$

ω = angular velocity of rotor (radians/sec)

r = distance of particle from centre of rotor
Measured from rate of movement of boundary with time

s values often corrected to standard conditions
for comparison purposes (20°C in water)

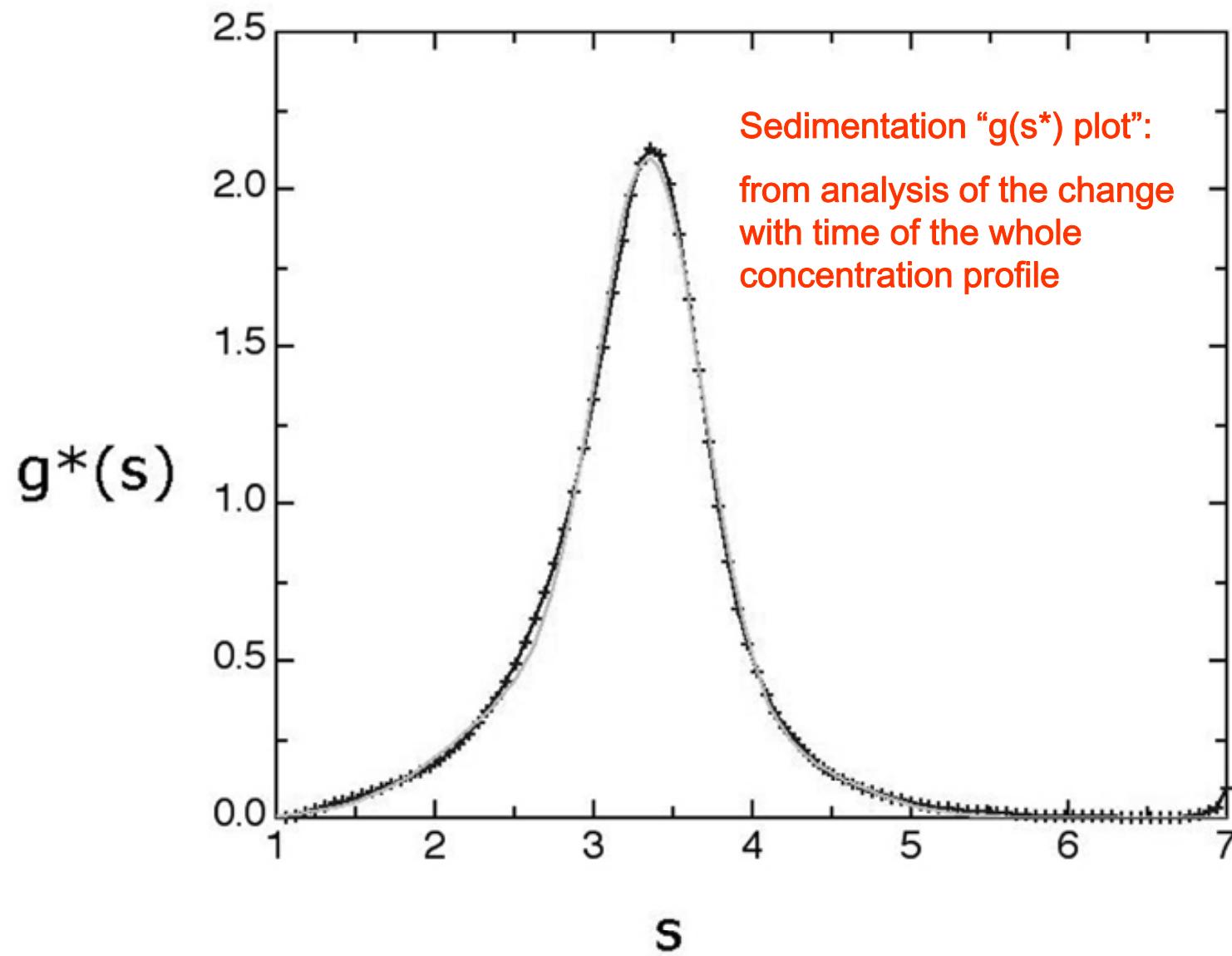
$$\text{Lysozyme} : s = 1.91 \times 10^{-13} \text{ sec}$$

$$\text{Bovine serum albumin} : s = 5.01 \times 10^{-13} \text{ sec}$$

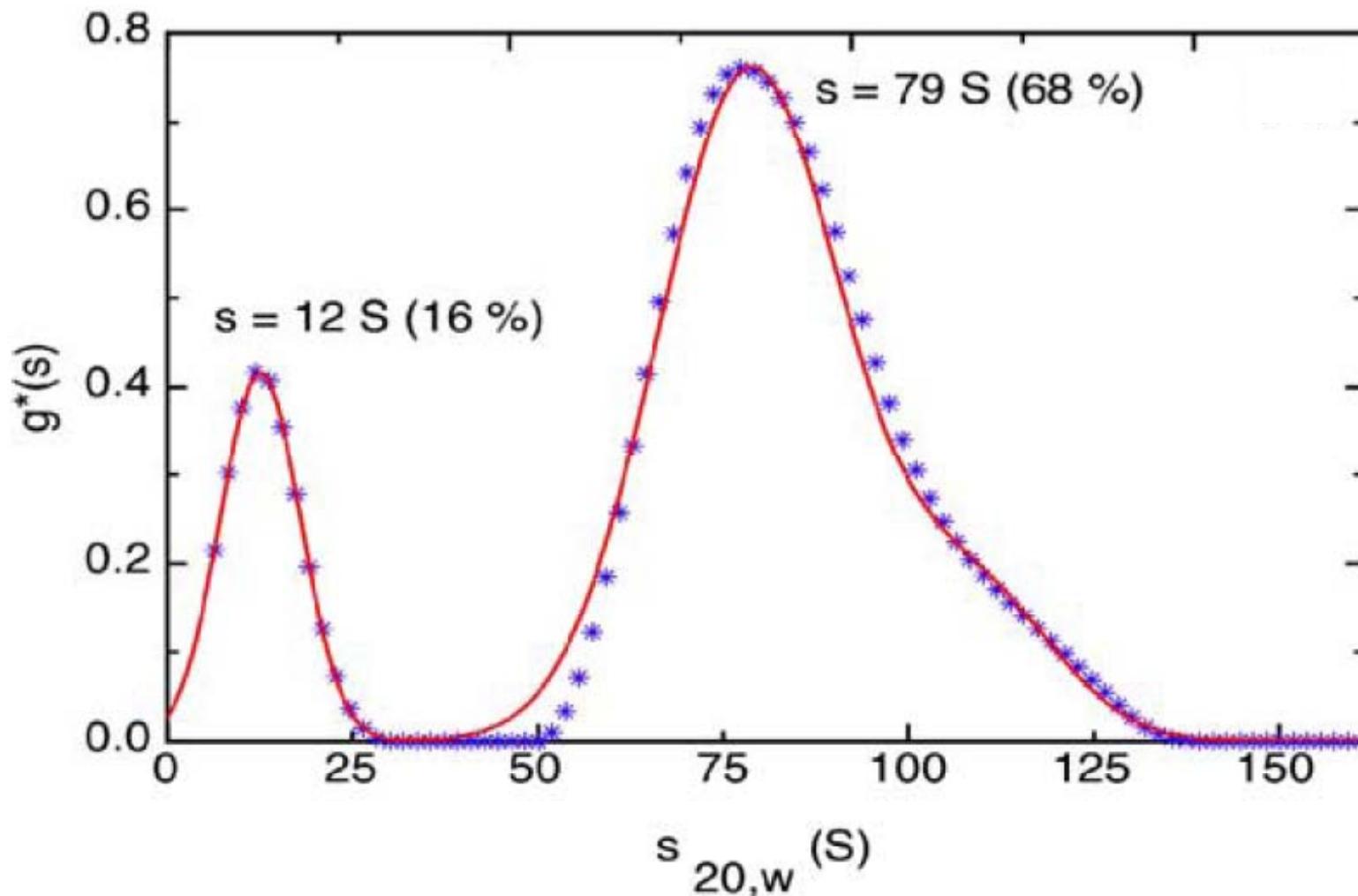
$$\text{Fibrinogen} : s = 7.9 \times 10^{-13} \text{ sec}$$

$$\text{common unit: The 'Svedberg' } S = 10^{-13} \text{ sec}$$

Guar, 0.75 mg/ml

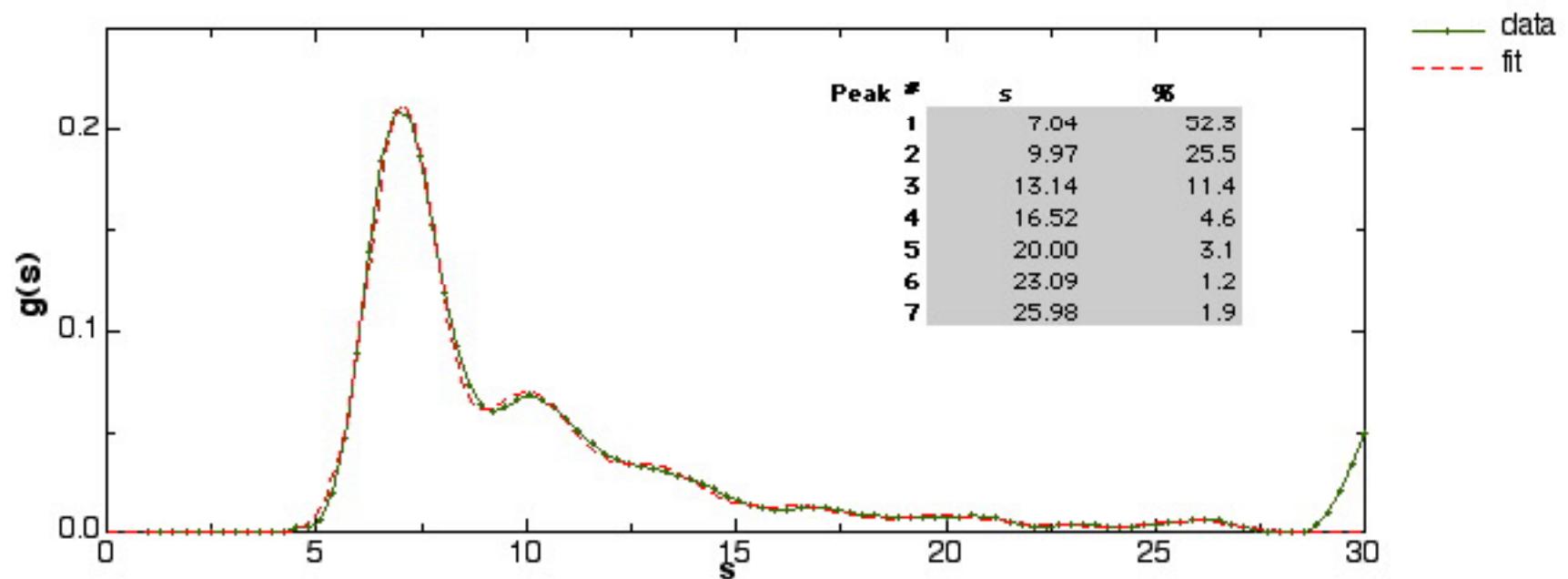


Sedimentation velocity $g^*(s)$ plot: starch

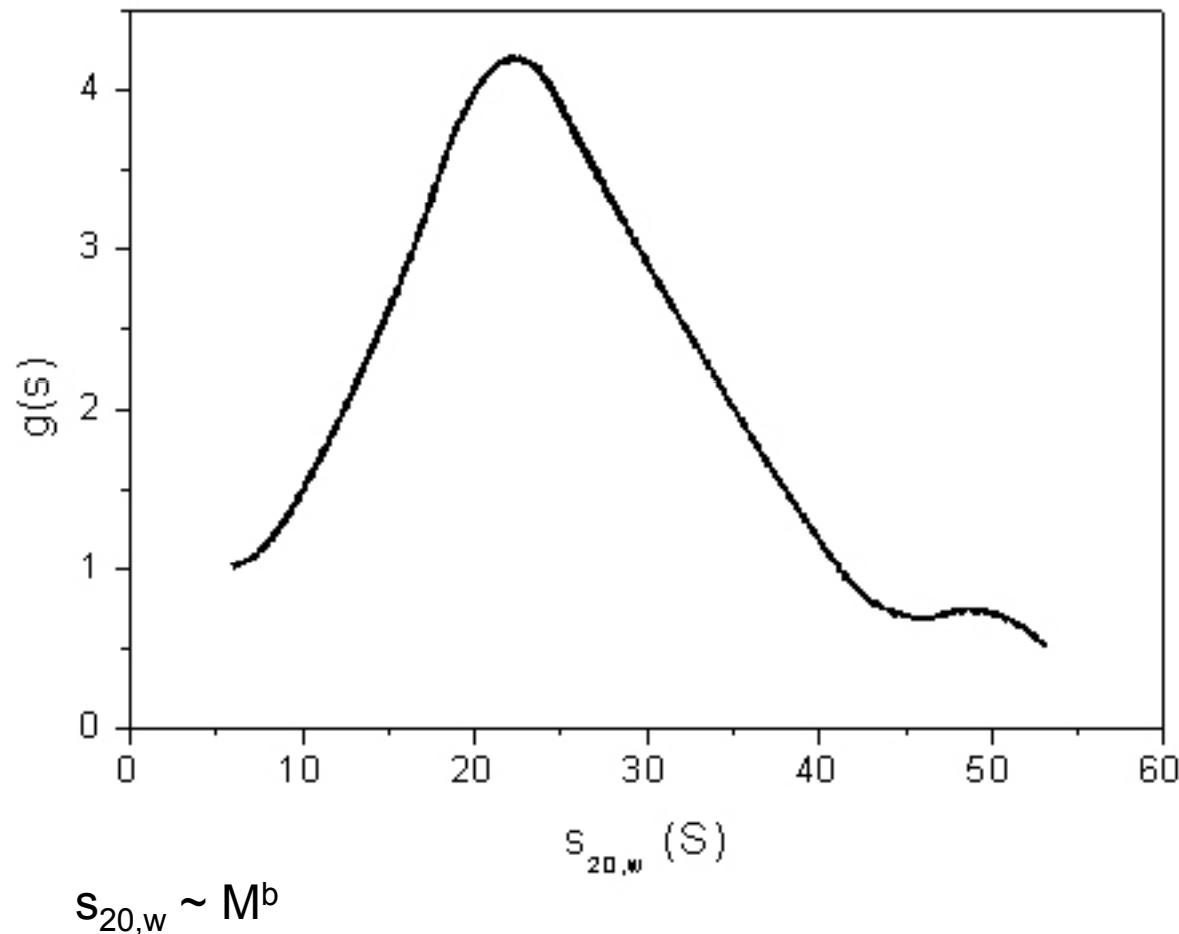


Tester R, Patel T, Harding, S. *Carbohydrate Research*, 2006

Multi-Gaussian fit estimates *proportions* of each species too:



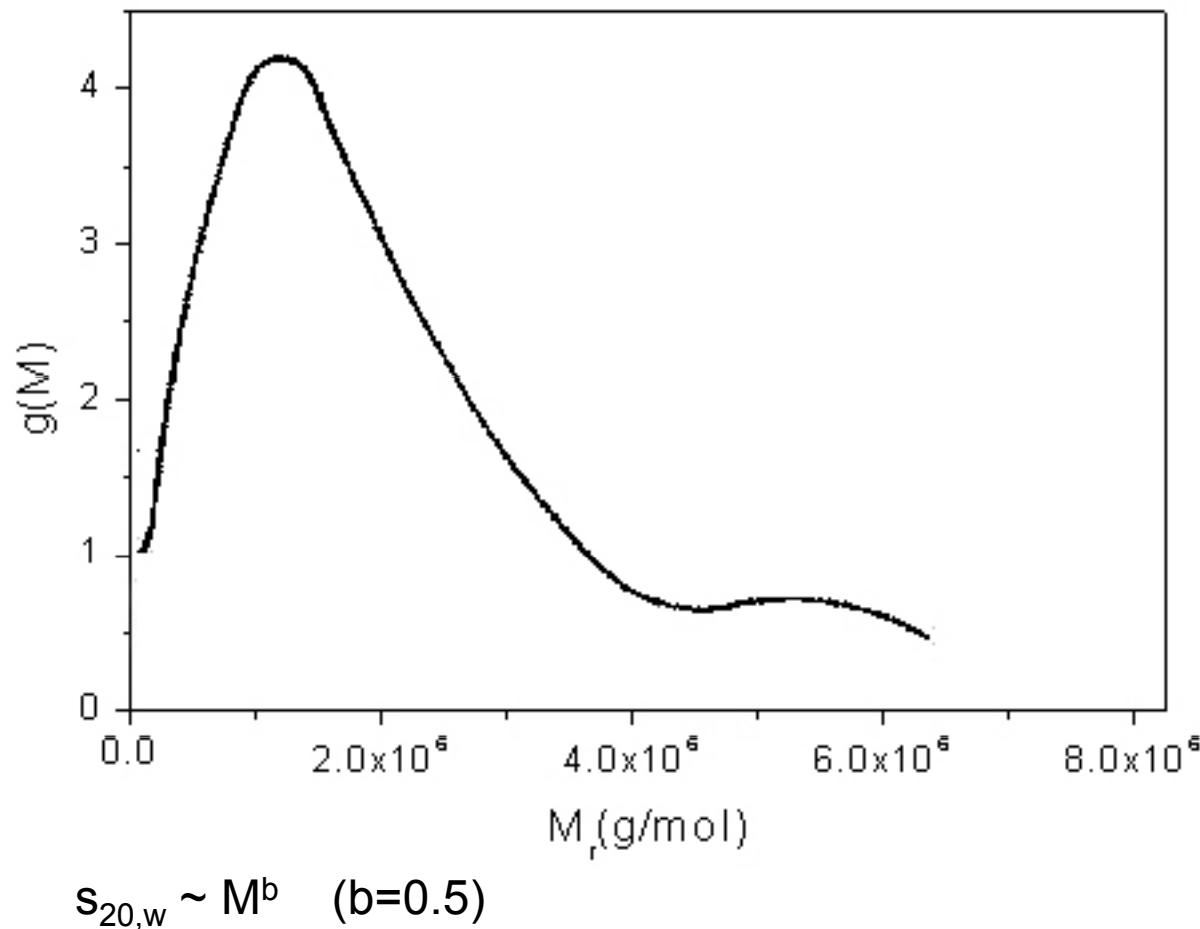
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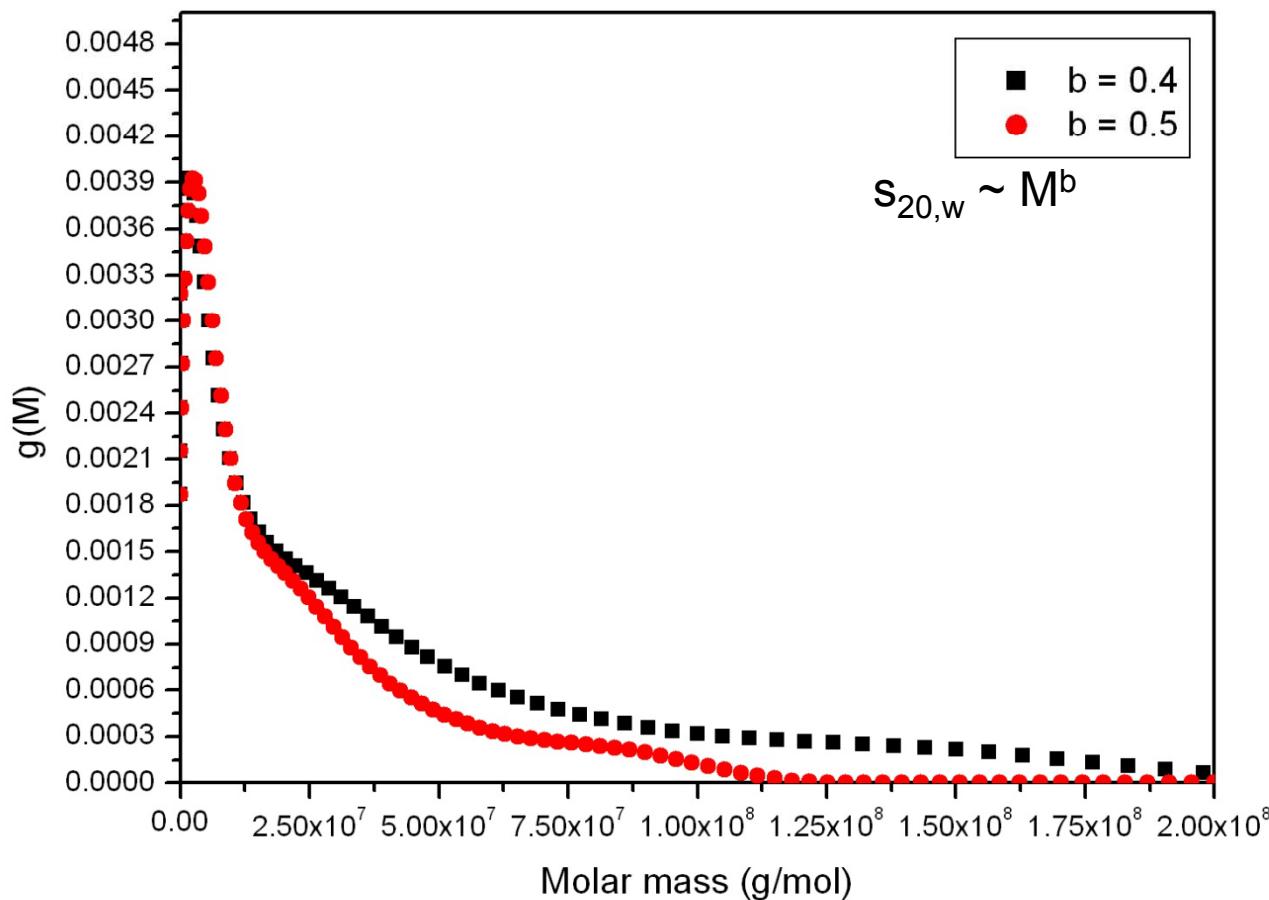
Molecular weight distribution – no column or membrane needed



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Converting a sedimentation coefficient distribution to a molecular weight distribution

Glycoconjugate vaccine – too large for SEC-MALLs analysis



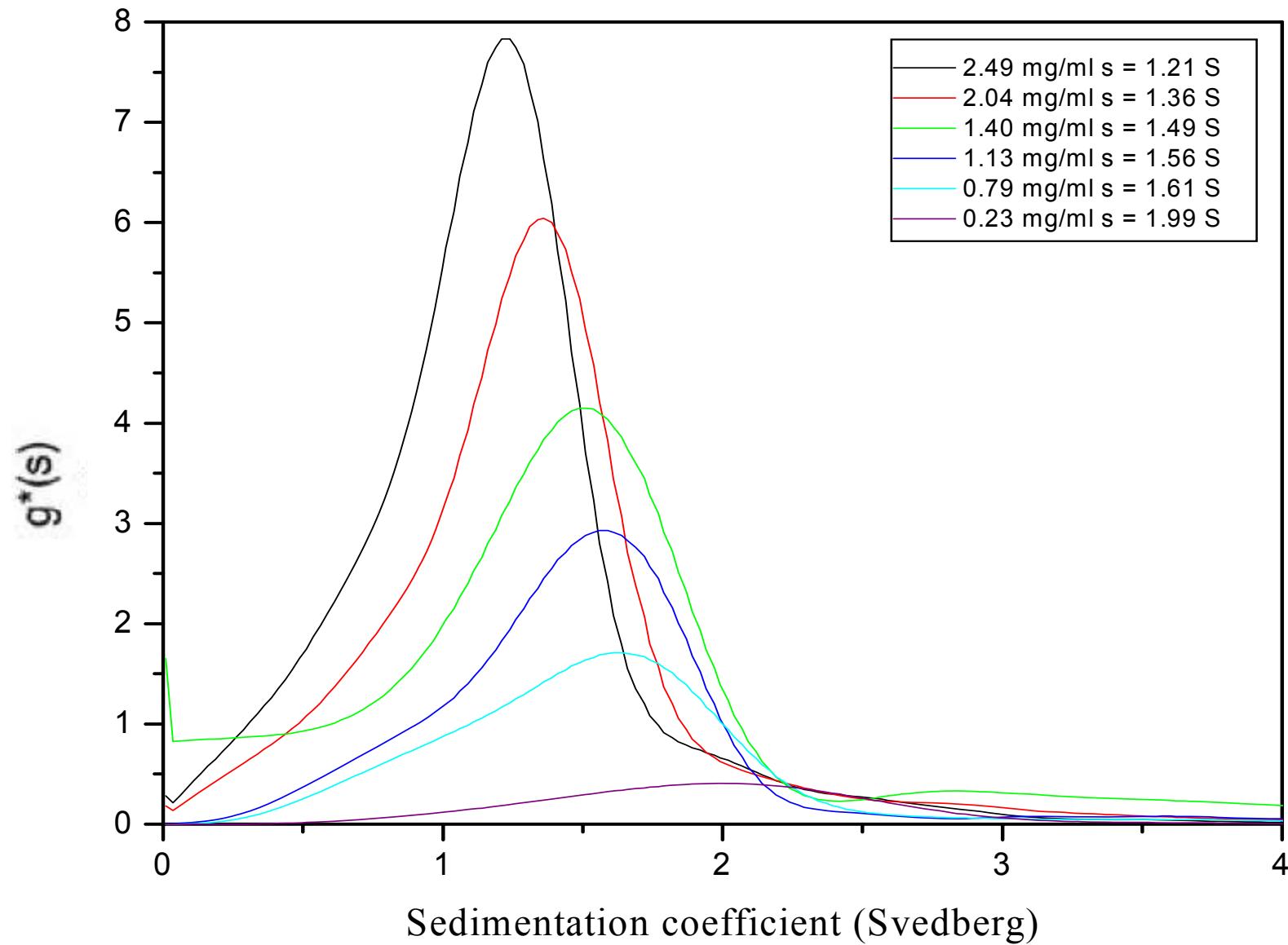
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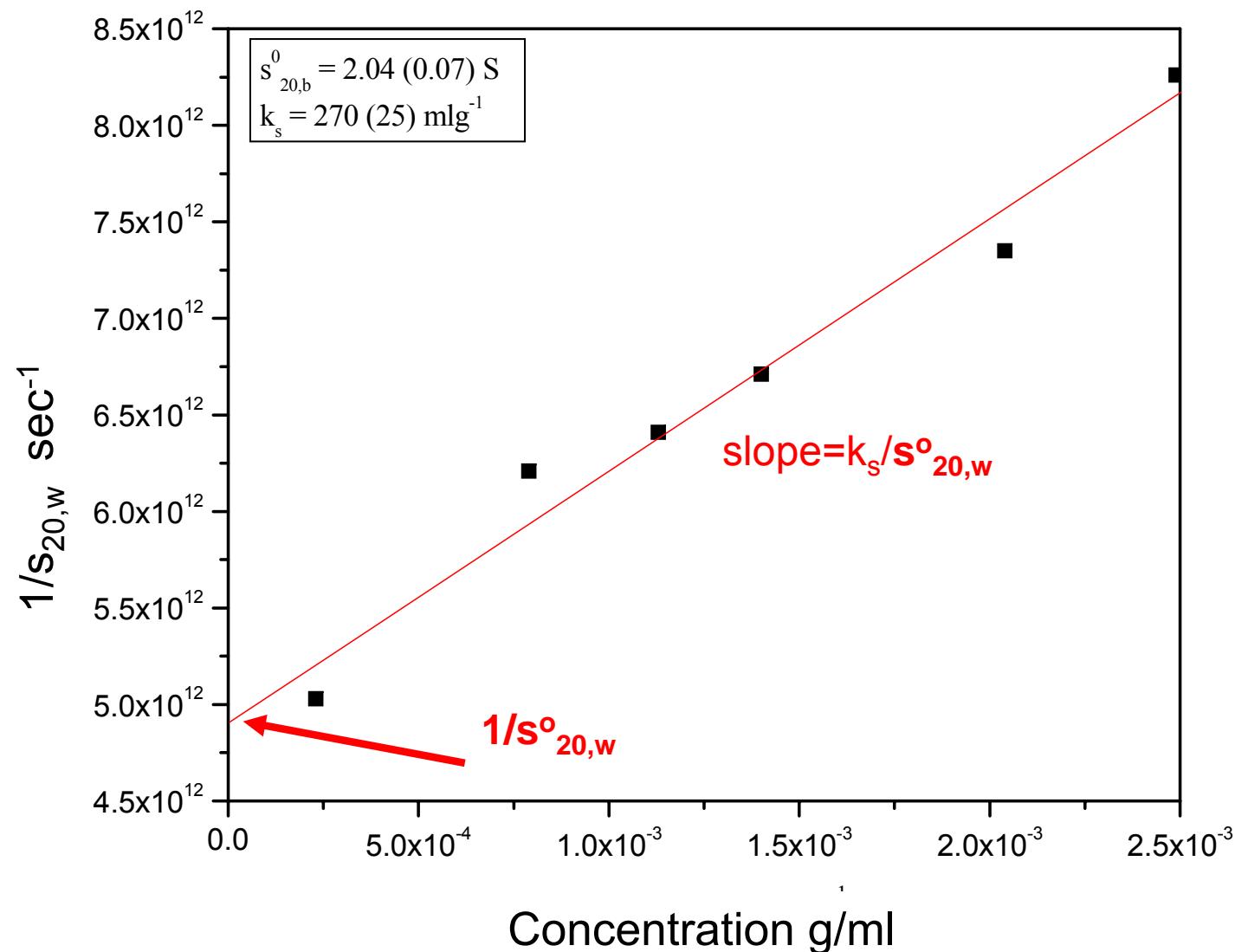
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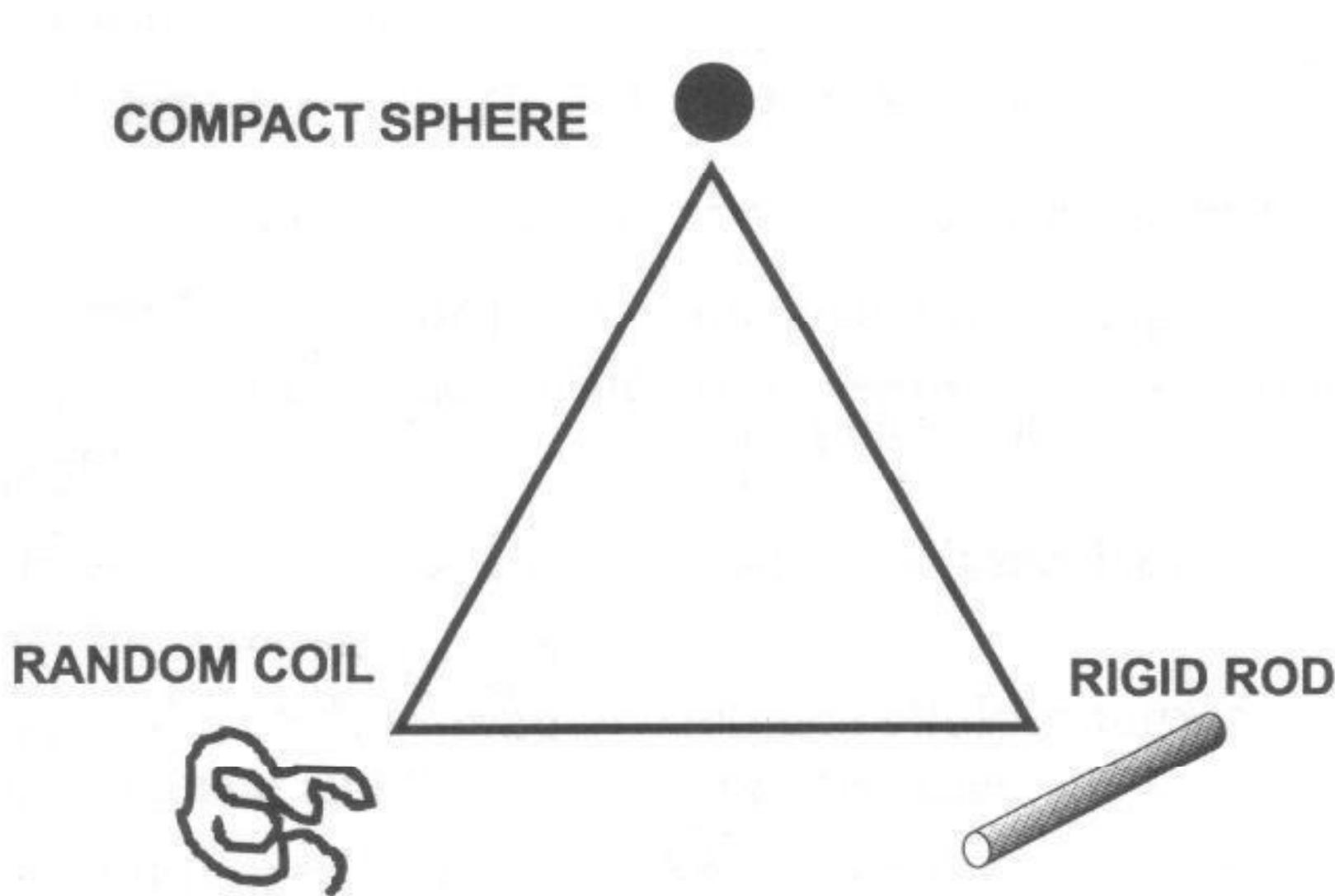
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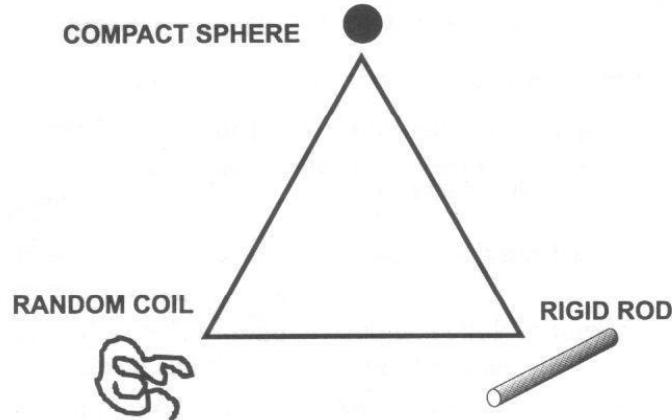


$s^o_{20,w}$ and k_s extraction



General conformation analysis: the Haug Triangle



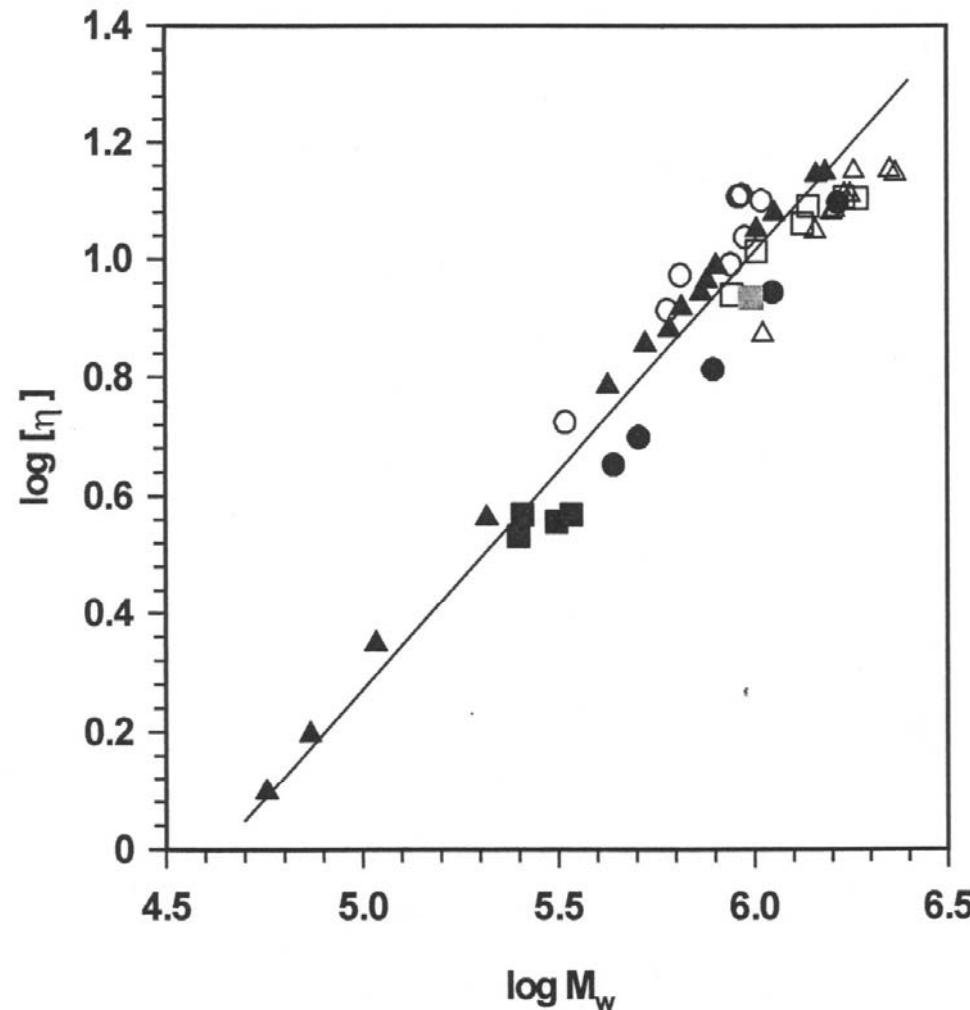


Power law, “Scaling” or “MHKS” relations:

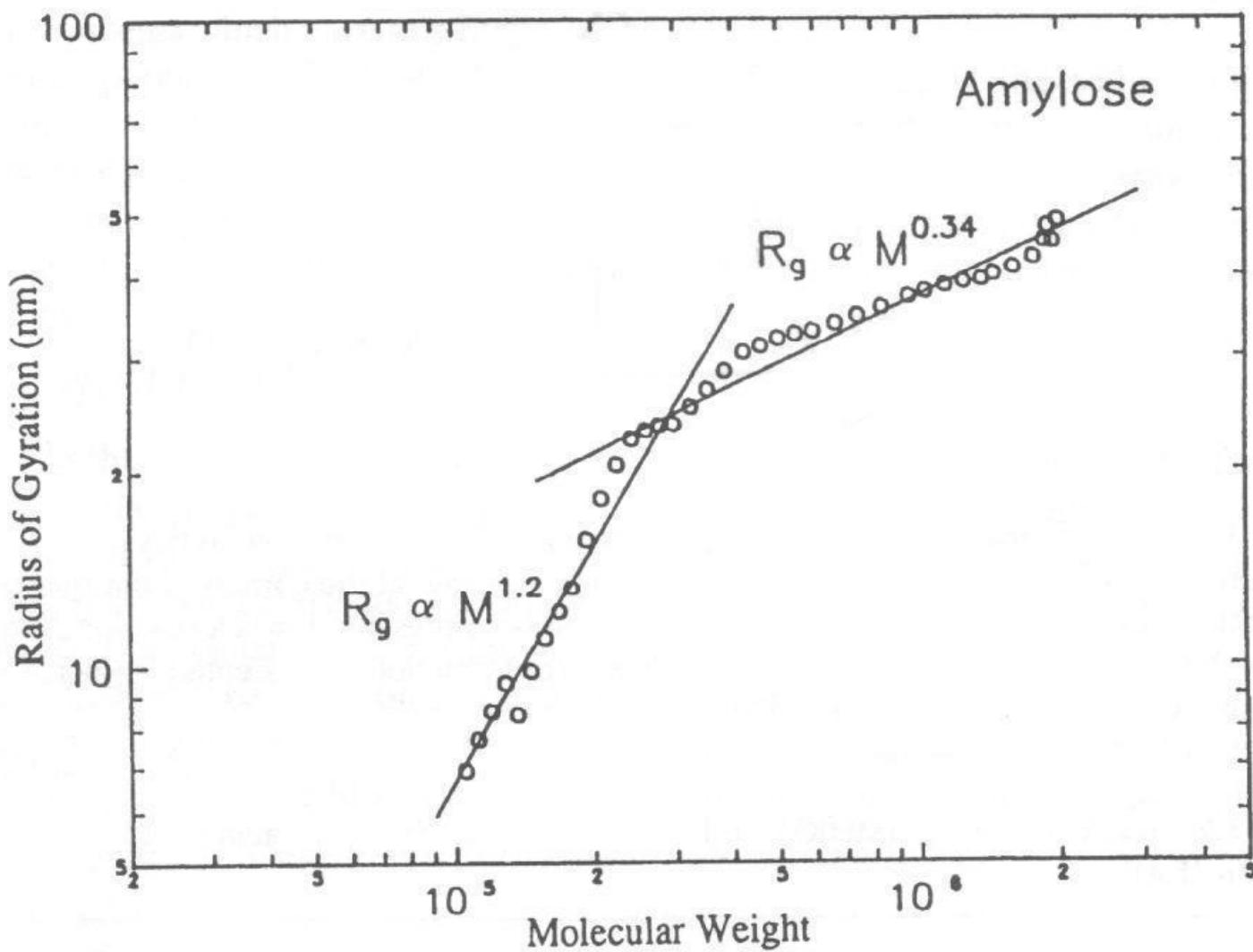
Sphere	Rod	Coil
$[\eta] \sim M^0$	$[\eta] \sim M^{1.8}$	$[\eta] \sim M^{0.5-0.8}$
$S^0_{20,w} \sim M^{0.67}$	$S^0_{20,w} \sim M^{0.15}$	$S^0_{20,w} \sim M^{0.4-0.5}$
$R_g \sim M^{0.33}$	$R_g \sim M^{1.0}$	$R_g \sim M^{0.5-0.6}$

Mark-Houwink-Kuhn-Sakurada Power law plot

Galactomannans
 $a=0.74 \pm 0.01$



Change in Conformation



Rollings, 1992

Conformation Zoning:

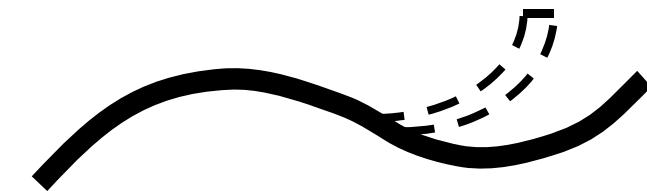
**Zone A: Extra-rigid rod:
schizophyllan**



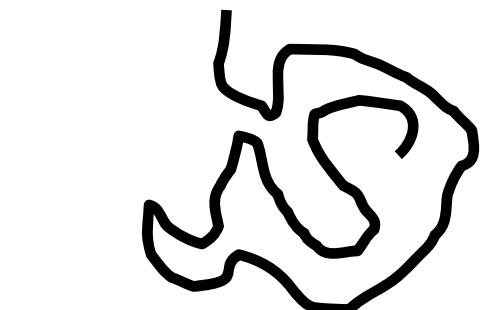
**Zone B: Rigid Rod:
xanthan**



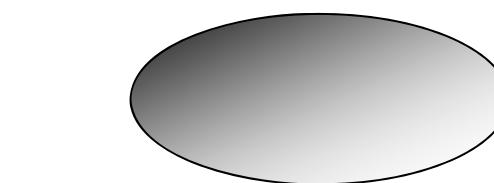
**Zone C: Semi-flexible coil:
pectin**



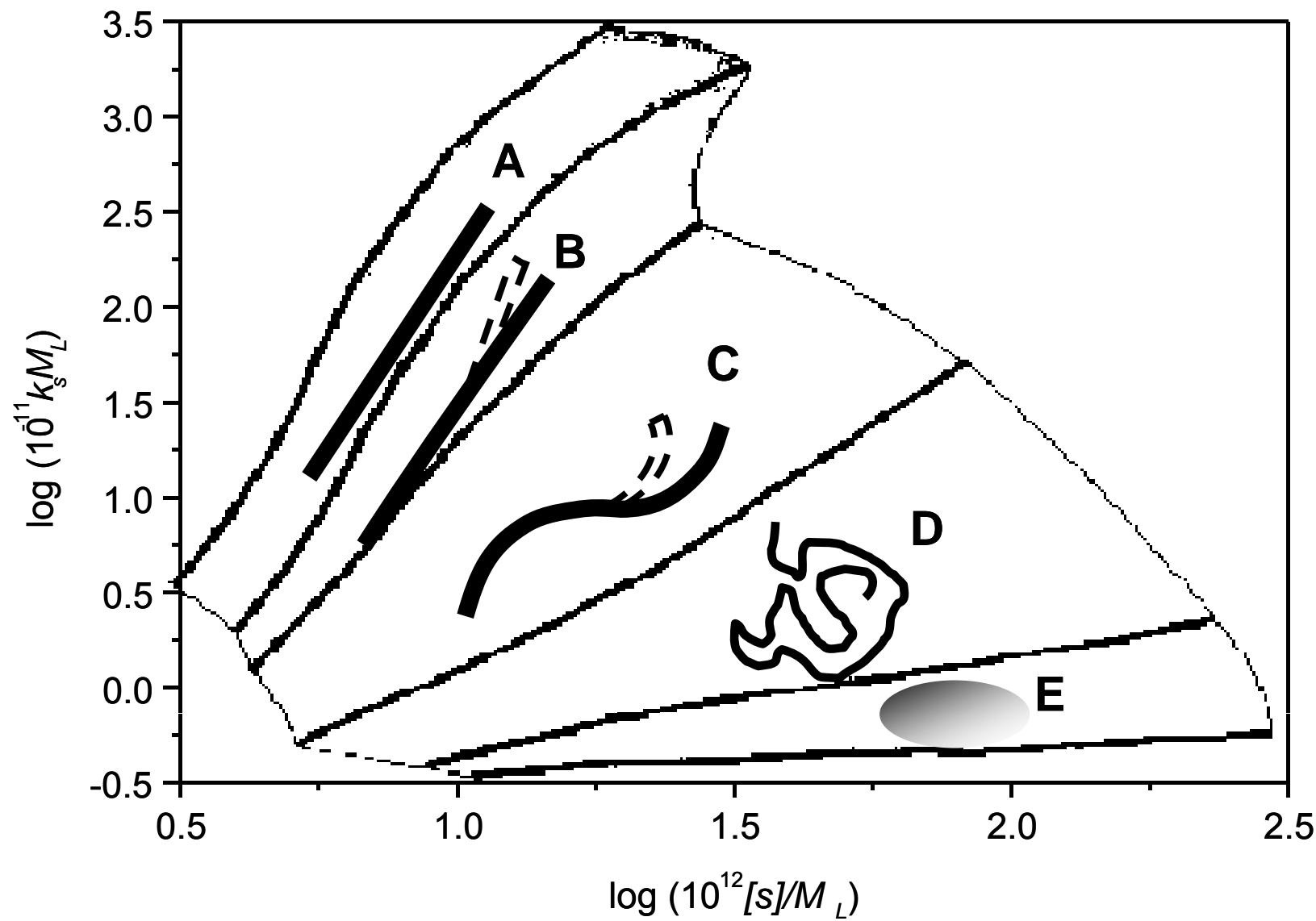
**Zone D: Random coil:
dextran, pullulan**



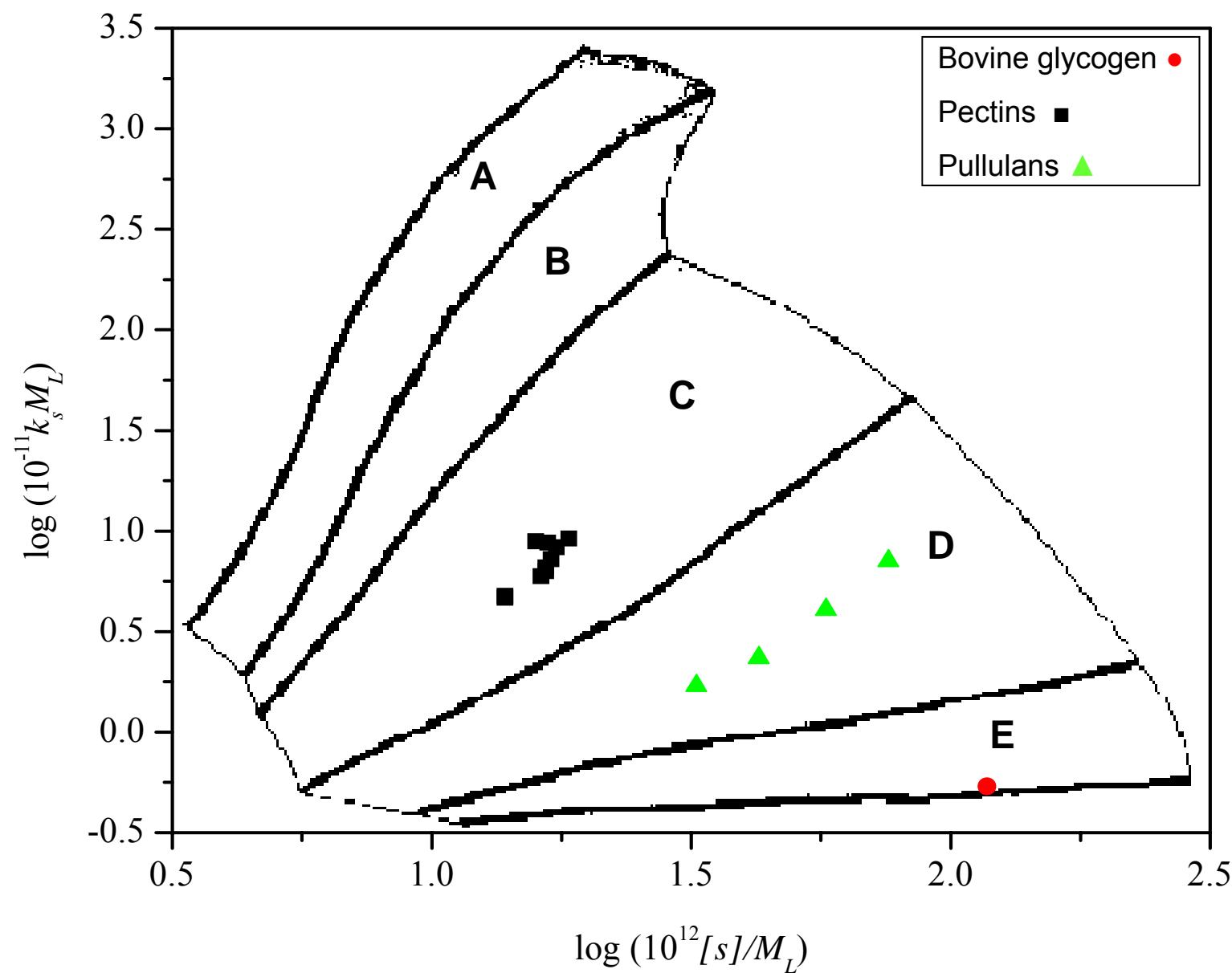
**Zone E: Highly branched:
amylopectin, glycogen**



Conformation Zoning:

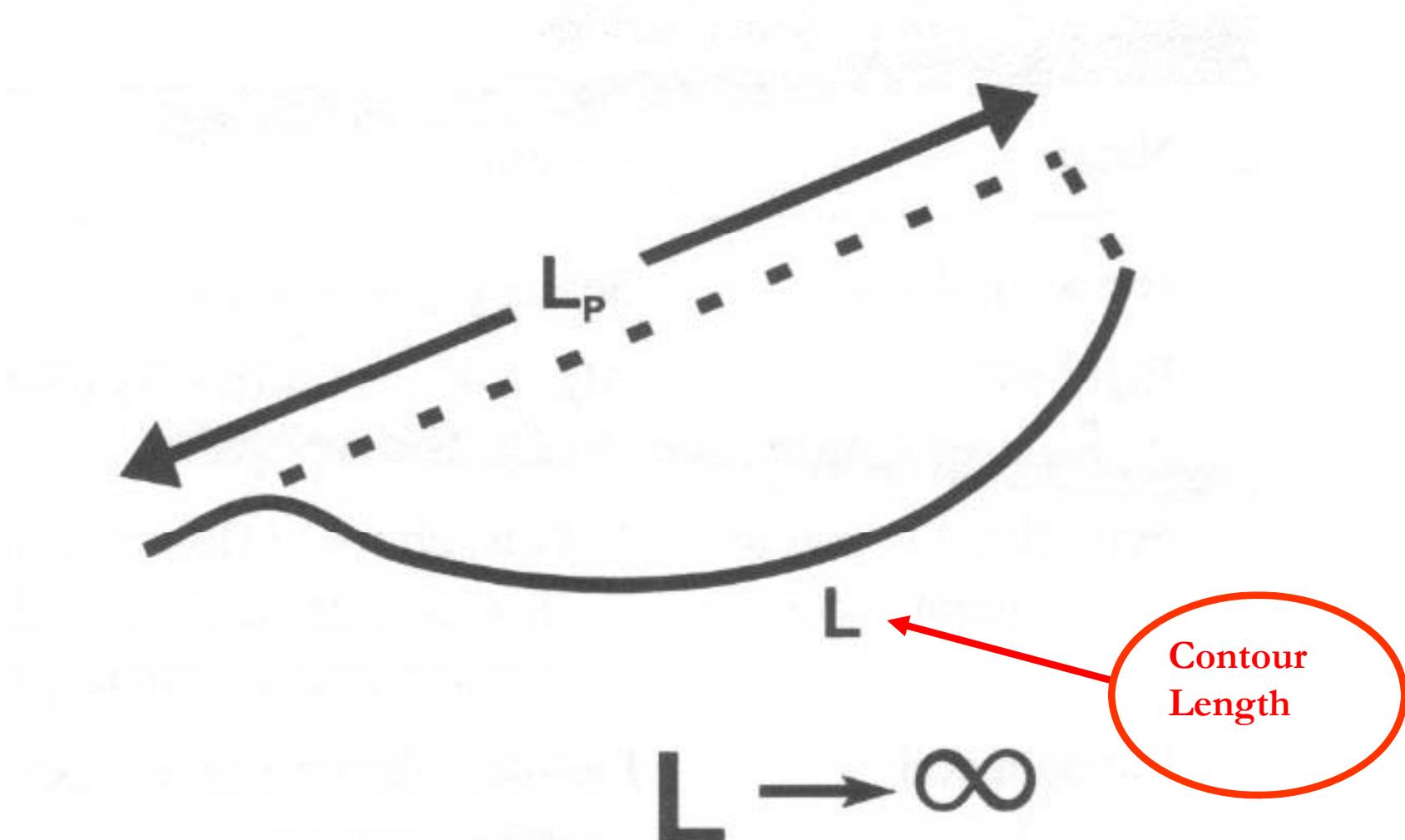


Pavlov, Rowe & Harding, *Trends in Analytical Chemistry*, 1997



Worm-like Chain

Flexibility parameter: Persistence length L_p



$$\text{Kuhn-statistical length } \lambda^{-1} = 2L_p$$

Worm-like Chain

Flexibility parameter: Persistence length L_p

Theoretical limits: Random coil $L_p = 0$
Rigid rod $L_p = \text{infinity}$

Practical limits: Random coil $L_p \sim 1\text{-}2\text{nm}$
Rigid rod $L_p \sim 200\text{nm}$

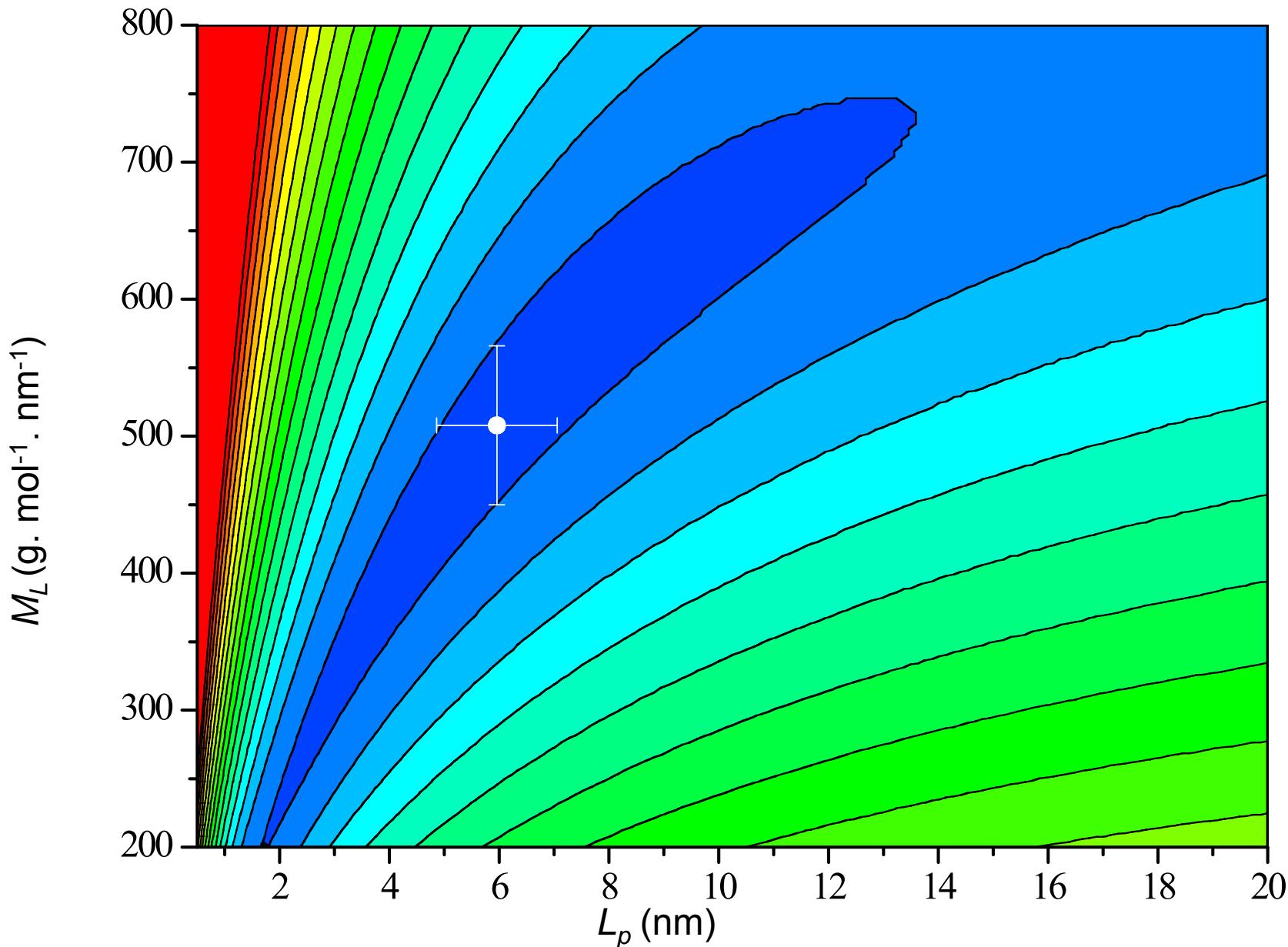
“Bushin-Bohdanecky” relation

$$\left(\frac{M_w^2}{[\eta]} \right)^{1/3} = A_0 M_L \Phi^{-1/3} + B_0 \Phi^{-1/3} \left(\frac{2L_p}{M_L} \right)^{-1/2} M_w^{1/2}$$

“Yamakawa-Fujii” relation

$$s^0 = \frac{M_L (1 - \bar{\nu} \rho_0)}{3\pi \eta_0 N_A} \times \left[1.843 \left(\frac{M_w}{2M_L L_p} \right)^{1/2} + A_2 + A_3 \left(\frac{M_w}{2M_L L_p} \right)^{-1/2} + \dots \right]$$

Global “Hydfit” plot: xyloglucan

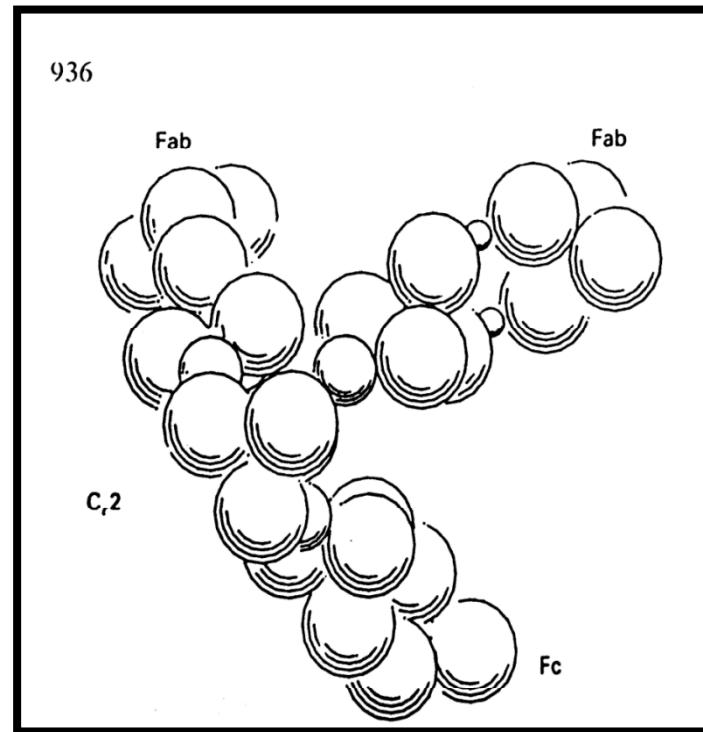
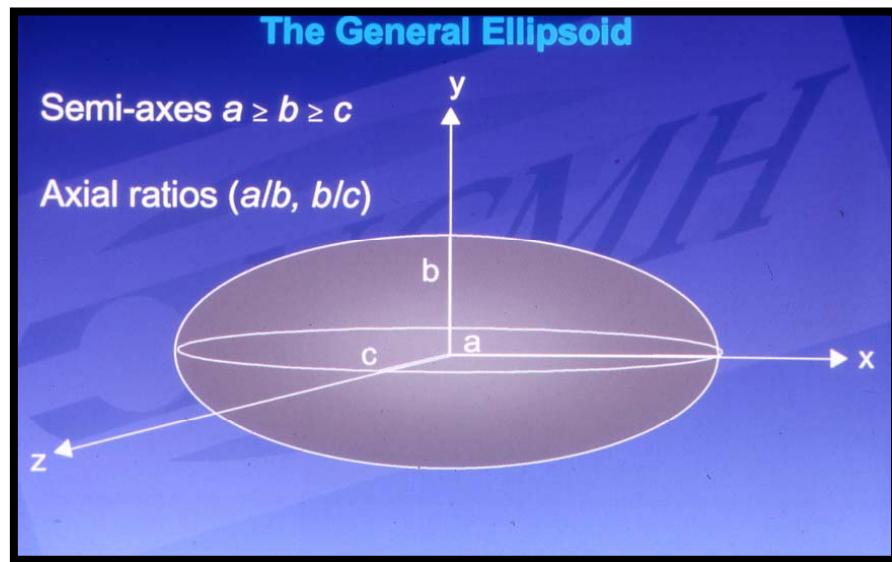


Patel et al, Carbohydrate Polymers, 2007

Flexibilities of carbohydrate polymers

Carbohydrate Polymer	L_p (nm)
Pullulan	1.2-1.9
Amylose	2.8
Pectin (69% esterified)	12-15
Pectin (0% esterified)	34
DNA	45
Schizophyllan	115-200
Scleroglucan	180±30
Xanthan	210

Protein conformation: ellipsoids and beads



Software

<http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/ncmh>

Ellips1 (ellipsoids of revolution)

Ellips2, Ellips3, Ellips4 (general ellipsoids)

Software

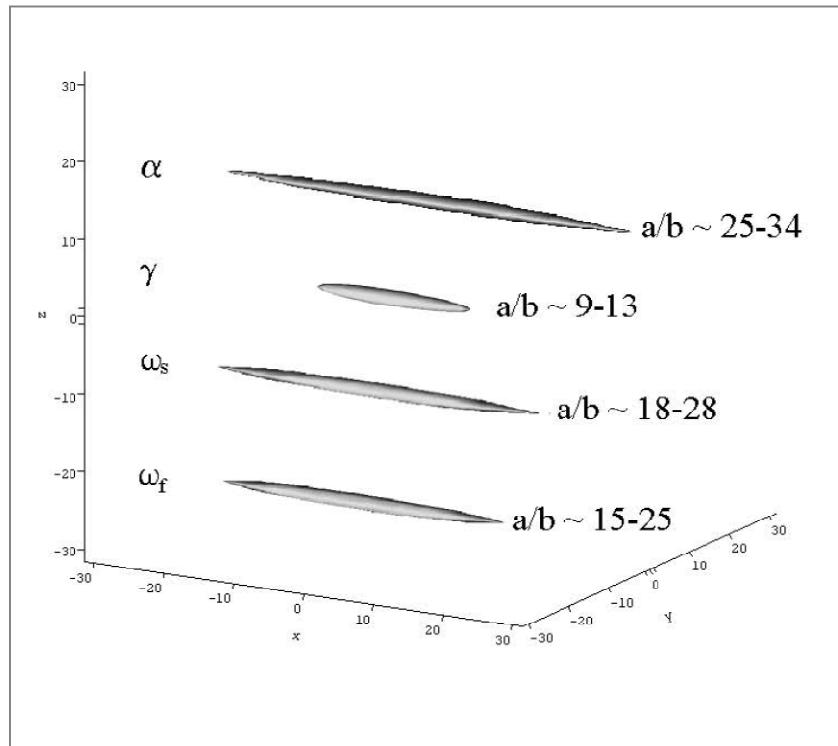
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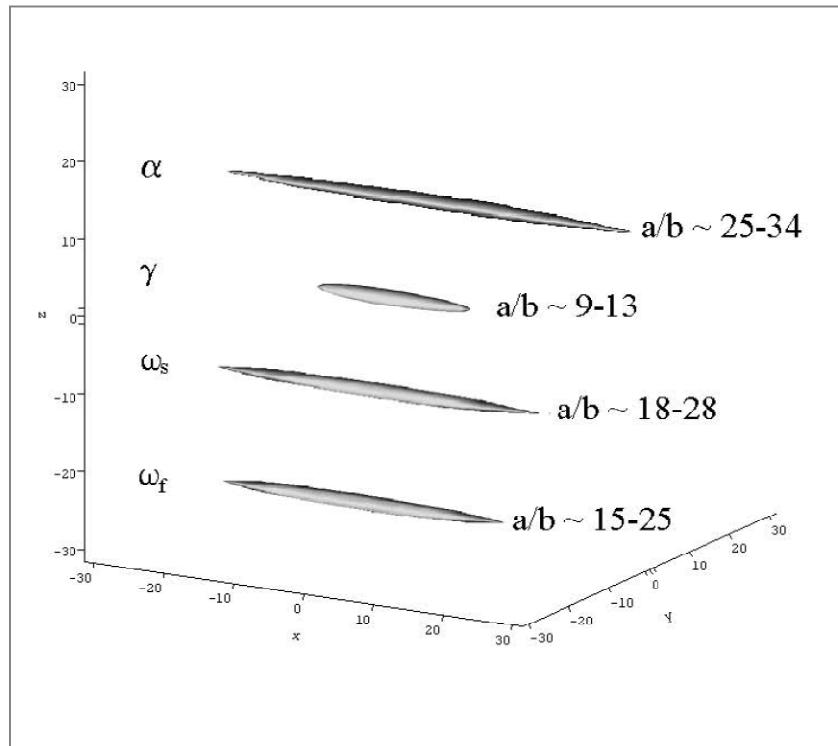
HydroPro

Ellipsoid axial ratio determinations – wheat protein gliadins



***Structure and heterogeneity of
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ELLIPS1

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*Demonstration of ELLIPS1 & ELLIPS2 programs:
download from <http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/ncmh>*

For a wide variety of hydrodynamic parameters including ν (from intrinsic viscosity) – see Lecture 1 notes or P (from sedimentation or diffusion measurements) – see Lecture 3 notes:

$$\nu = [\eta] / \nu_s$$

$$P = (f/f_o) \cdot (\nu/\nu_s)^{1/3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where } (f/f_o) &= (k_B T / 6\pi\eta_o) \{(4\pi N_A / 3\nu M)^{1/3}\} / D_{20,w}^o \\ &= (M(1 - \bar{\nu}\rho_o) / N_A 6\pi\eta_o) \{(4\pi N_A / 3\nu M)^{1/3}\} / s_{20,w}^o \end{aligned}$$

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

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

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

v_s = swollen specific volume (ml/g) = $\bar{v} + \frac{\delta}{P_0}$

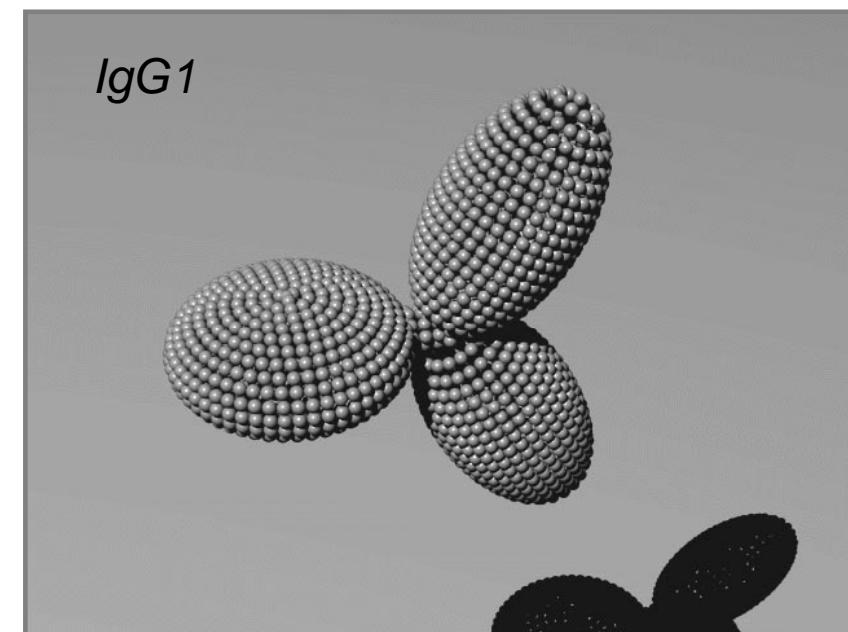
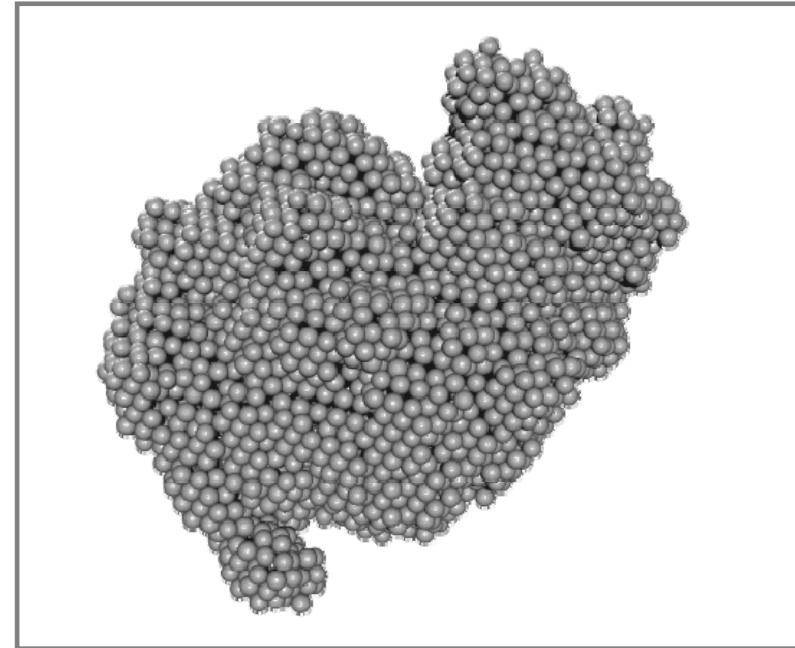
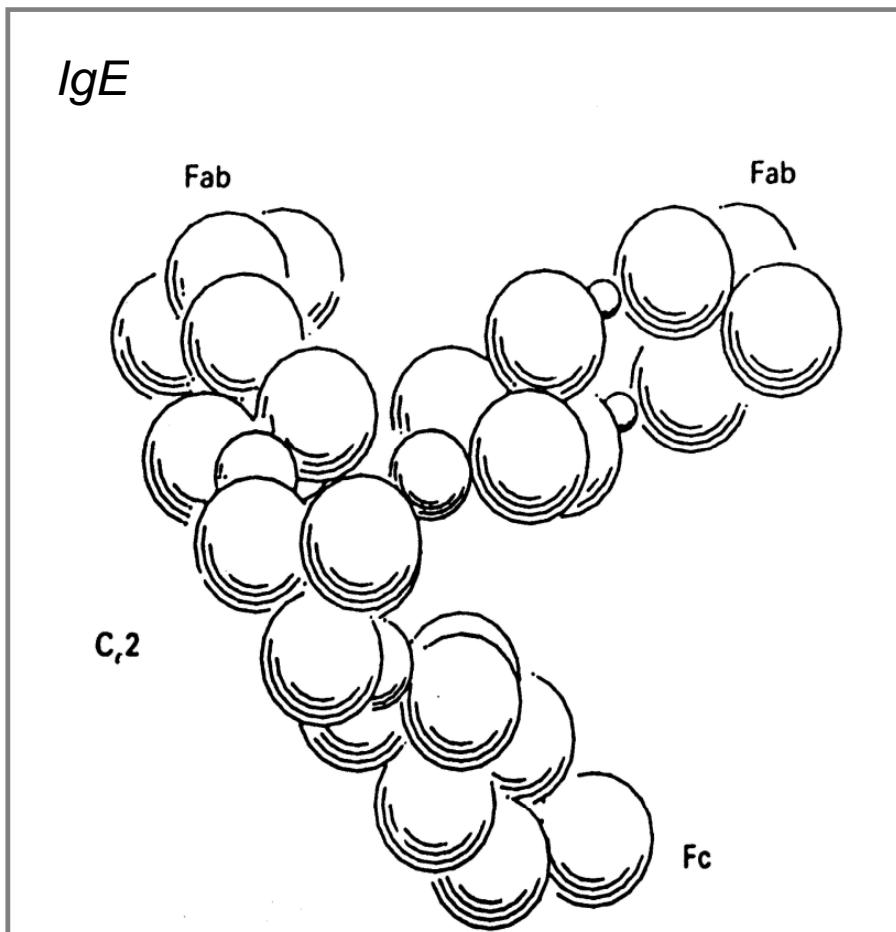
hydration

For more complicated shapes:

BEAD & SHELL MODELS

Hydro, Solpro, HydroPro etc

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