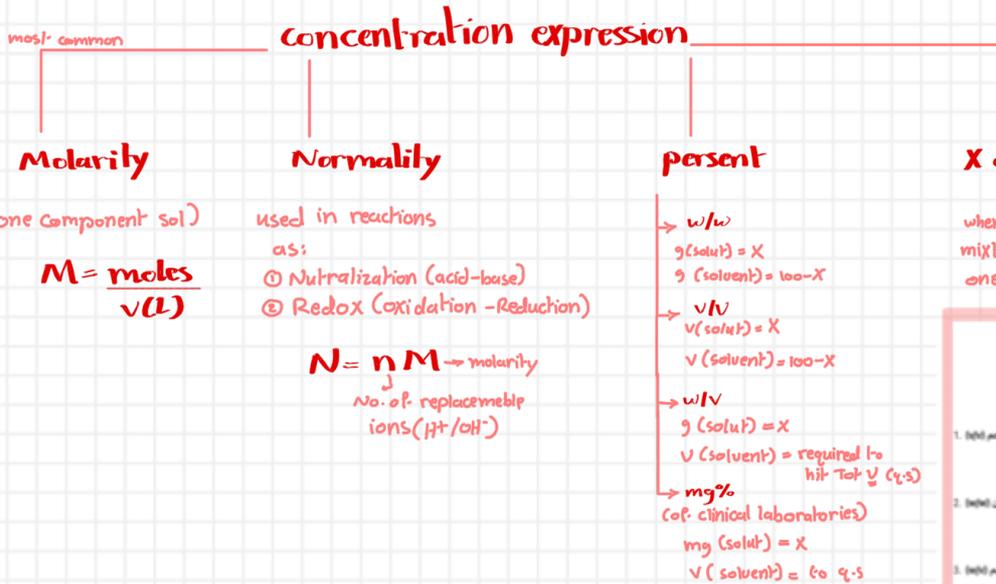


Ex: 1

mili(m)  $10^{-3}$   
Micro ( $\mu$ )  $10^{-6}$   
Nano (n)  $10^{-9}$   
pico  $10^{-12}$



### # Dilutions :

- The process of changing of a sol, with the total amount of solute remains unchanged, only its conc. is decreased.

$$C_1 V_1 = C_2 V_2$$

- when can I use  $C_1 V_1 = C_2 V_2$  ?

- \* For diluting conc. sol (percent, molar, normality, X factor)
- \* not with serial type of dilutions
- \* it's very easy to use, but can be a large source of error if calculations not performed correctly
- \* doesn't change No. of moles  $M_1 V_1 = M_2 V_2$

### # The "X" Factor

- labelling as 10X  $\rightarrow$  tells that the stock sol is ten times more concentrated than it needs to be for use thus: Dilution is needed concentrated stock sol (e.g 10X buffer):

- ① The working concentration: conc. of each of the chemicals when the sol is at the correct conc. to use  $\rightarrow$  1X
- ② All conc. stock sol that use the X factor  $\rightarrow$  uses the working conc. as 1X
- ③ 1X can be 2X or 5X ...etc

V of stock needed =  $\frac{V \text{ of } 1X \text{ needed}}{\text{conc. factor}}$  } this is bullshit  $\xrightarrow{\text{use this}}$   $C_1 V_1 = C_2 V_2$

**[A]** one to ten (1 to 10) dilution (to interpreting it we have two methods)

- ① one part of concentrate in ten parts of final sol (1ml of concentrate and 9 ml solvent)  $1 : 10 \rightarrow \text{Tot} = 10 \text{ ml}$
- ② one part of concentrate to ten parts of solvent (1 in 11) e.g: 1 ml of concentrate and 10 ml vehicle (solvent) with final V = 11 ml  $1 : 10 \rightarrow \text{Tot} = 11 \text{ ml}$

\* which one better?

1:10  $\rightarrow$  one part of sample + nine parts of diluent  $\rightarrow$  V of each part =  $\frac{\text{Tot} \cdot V}{\text{Tot} \cdot \text{parts} (X)}$

Note :

Always add small amount to larger amount

ex:  $1 : 10 \rightarrow 100 \text{ ml}$

$$V(\text{parts}) = \frac{100}{10} = 10 \text{ ml}$$

$\downarrow$

$$X-1 = 10-1 = 9$$

10 ml  
large

+

9 ml  
small

# # Last but not least → Serial dilution

\* when to use it?

- is used when you need a volume or amount that is too small to measure, no balances to measure it. ) a problem

solve: two options:

① prepare larger volumes than what you need → which is a waste

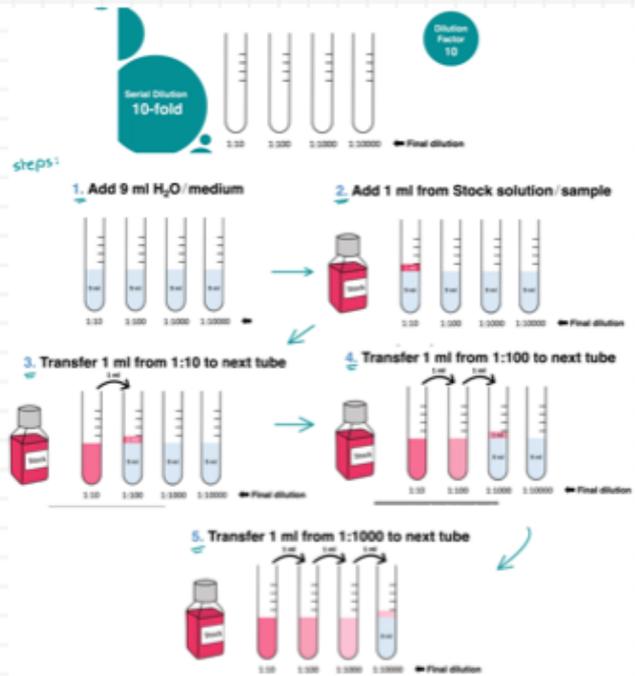
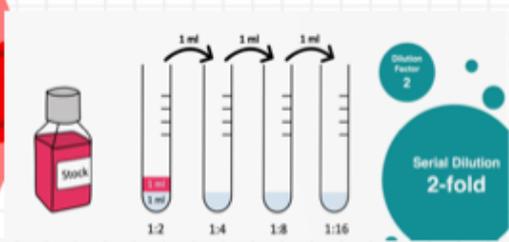
✓ ② make a small volume of a higher conc. and then perform multiple dilution steps (serial dilution) to reach the required conc.

\* A serial solution is: a stepwise series of dilutions which start with a small amount of starting material and amplifies the dilution factor serially by using diluted material as a source of subsequent dilutions

- Advantages:
- ① saving reagents/spaces
  - ② used in experiments which require standard curve
  - ③ avoid having to pipette very small volumes

## How to serial dilution a solution?

two methods



\* The total dilution factor (DF) for any of the resulting solutions can be calculated by:

$$DF_{total} = DF_1 * DF_2 * DF_3 * DF_4 \quad (\text{in this ex 4})$$

$$1000 * 2 * 2 * 2 = 8000$$

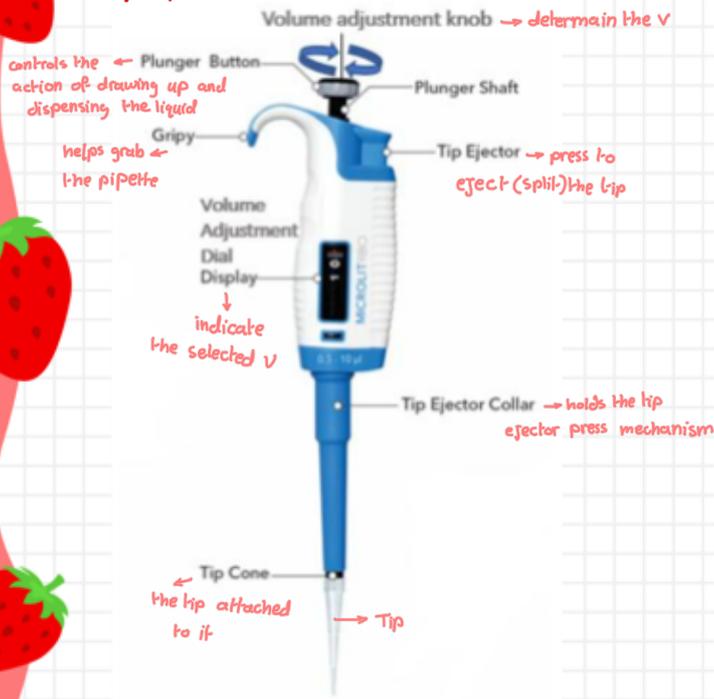
particular dilution      all dilutions factors

\* we use the  $DF_{total}$  to calculate the conc. from the stock:

$$\frac{1000000}{8000} = 125 \text{ ng/ml}$$

# Ex: 3 Micropipette

## # parts



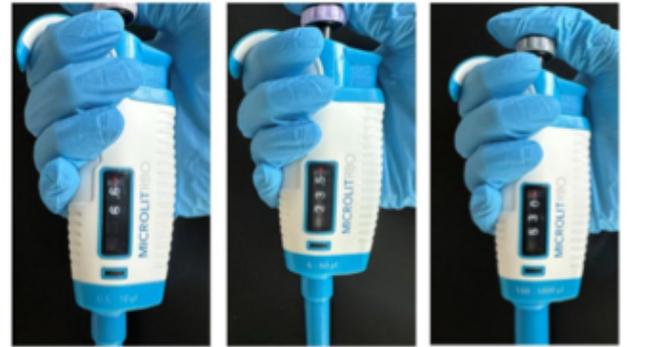
## # size

### B. Different sizes of micropipettes

The micropipettes in this laboratory come in three different sizes each of which measures a different range of volumes. The three sizes are P10, P50 and P1000. Micropipette are named based on the upper range volume.

Micropipette Size	Lower – upper volume range
P-10	0.5-10µl
P-50	5-50µl
P-1000	100-1000µl

general : lower limit = 0.1 upper limit



P-10, range (0.5-10 µL)  
Display: 6.6 µL

P-50, range (5-50 µL)  
Display: 23.5 µL

P-1000, range (100-1000 µL)  
Display: 530 µL

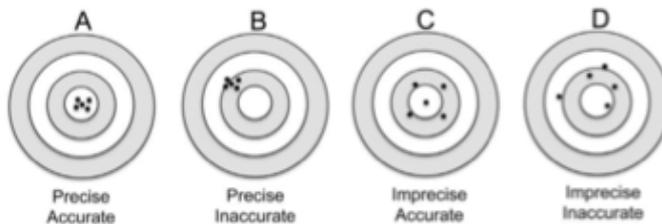
Volume is read from bottom to top.

## \* Note:

- Trying to dispense less than the lower value of the range will result in inaccurate liquid measurements
- Trying to dispense over the upper range will completely fill the tip and allow the liquid to enter into the pipette body

## # Accuracy and precision

↳ results are reproducible  
↳ depends on the micropipette delivering the correct volume



**Gravimetric method:** the process in which manufacturers determine the accuracy and precision of micropipettes using them to transfer defined volumes of distilled water then weighed on an analytical balance

(Density of water at 25°C = 1 g/ml)

$$D = \frac{m}{V} \rightarrow m = V \cdot D$$

## Accuracy

- the closeness of the dispensed volume to the true (standard/nominal) volume as set on pipette

$$\% \text{ Error (\% Accuracy)} = \frac{\text{Experimental value (mean)} - \text{Standard (nominal)}}{\text{Standard}} \times 100$$

## precision

- provides info about reproducibility of your measurement
- "scatter" of individual measurement around the mean without any reference to a standard

- other name: coefficient of variation (CV%)

$$\% \text{ RSD} = \frac{\text{sample S.D}}{\text{mean}} \times 100$$

## # How pipetting technique contributes to error:

- 1) Unnecessary tip wiping → lead to material loss
- 2) choosing wrong pipetting mode
- 3) working too fast
- 4) pipetting at an angle
- 5) using wrong pipette tips
- 6) if pipette is dropped → تخریب

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Ex: 5

Assay: method to detect, quantify a particular type of molecule → example: Spectrophotometric

\* The purpose of the protein assay (quantifications):

- ① determine the amount or concentration of a specific protein
- ② an array of different proteins in a sample

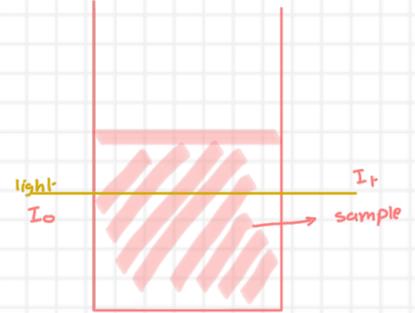
\* Isolating and detecting protein is used for:

- ① clinical and research processes
- ② in clinical laboratory as part of a disease diagnosis (to quantify loss of protein, level, enzymes, antibodies)

# Spectrophotometry: colorimetric reagent protein assay (rely on color changes)

A spectrophotometer is an instrument that measures the amount of photons (the intensity of light) absorbed after it passes through sample solution. With the spectrophotometer, the amount of a known chemical substance (concentrations) can also be determined by measuring the intensity of light detected.

Light is often treated as energy wave. The wavelength is expressed by lambda λ. And measured in nanometre = 10<sup>-9</sup> m). The transfer of energy from a photon to a molecule is absorption. Light absorption may result directly from the intrinsic chemical properties of the molecules of interest. Alternatively, they may occur indirectly as a result of treating the molecules of interest with other compounds which react with them to create new chemicals that exhibit absorption. The wavelength at which a substance has its strongest photon absorption (highest point along the UV spectrum) is called Lambda max (λ max).



### Spectrophotometry

- Single Beam → needs correction
- Double Beam → self-correction (two regions)

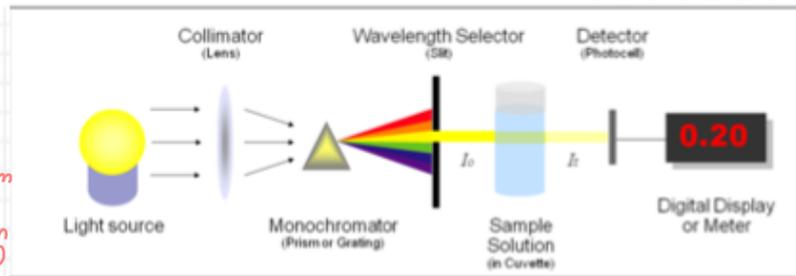


Figure 1: Components of spectrophotometer

Biochemical assays for biomolecules are usually based on absorption in the UV or visible region. In this experiment we will use the ultraviolet-visible spectrophotometer (figure 1), the UV range normally extends from 100 to 400 nm, with the visible range from approximately 400 to 800 nm (red to violet wavelength range).

### # Beer - Lambert Law

- Total amount of light absorbed at any particular wavelength (Absorbance) is determined by three factors:

determined by three factors: 1) the absorption characteristics of the molecules of interest; 2) the pathlength or distance through which the light must travel; and 3) the concentration of the absorbing molecule.

$$A = \epsilon c l$$

Absorbance (no unit) ←  $A$  =  $\epsilon$   $c$   $l$  → length (cm)  
 ← constant      → constant (mole/L)

→ general form

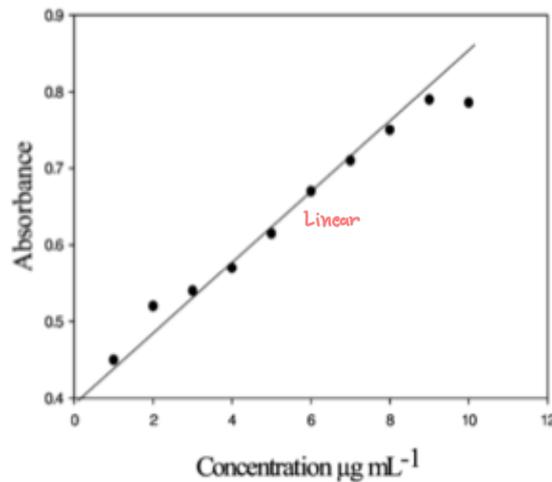
$$y = (m) x$$

$$A = (\epsilon l) c \quad , \quad \text{slope}(m) = \epsilon l$$

# # Calibration Curve

A **calibration curve**, also known as a **standard curve**, is a general method for determining the concentration of a substance in an unknown sample by comparing the unknown to a set of standard samples of known concentration (for protein assay, sugar assays, and various types of assays).

You can find the slope and y-intercept of the linear graph to get the linear equation. By measuring the absorbance of the sample of unknown concentration, you can apply it to the equation to find the concentration (there is an example afterward).



**Calibration curve** of absorbance against concentration using Beer's Lambert law.

→ Absorbation with no molecule in sol (blank)  $C=0 \rightarrow Y = mx + 0$

Theoretically the **Y-intercept should be zero** for the Beer's Law Plot?

Because at zero concentration, there is no compound dissolved in solution, and the spectrophotometer is zeroed using the blank before taking the measurements.

All light absorption measurements are made relative to a **blank** solution which contains all the components of the sample solution <sup>anything except the sample</sup> except the substance being analyzed

But practically, you may have y-intercept, if the plot is not linear or if the y-intercept deviates substantially from the origin, it indicates that the standards were improperly prepared, that there is an unknown interference in the sample.

\* If we have **two concentrations of the same solution**, then they have the **same molar extinction coefficient (E)**, and the length **path (l) is 1 cm** in most spectrophotometers.

$$A = (E l) C$$

$$(E l) = A/C$$

- $E \times l_{(1st\ concentration)} = E \times l_{(2nd\ concentration)}$
- $E_1 = E_2$
- $A/C_1 = A/C_2$

Therefore, the absorbance/concentration relationship can be applied using the same linear equation we got for the standard.

Go back to examples

# # Finally → Colorimetric reagent protein assay

- These assays are useful to quantify the amount of protein in a given sample, it's fast and easy to perform, don't require complex or hazardous chemicals
- A reagent that specifically absorbs a specific amount of light is attached to a specific protein, and then the amount of light is measured.

## Two main types of colorimetric reagent protein assay

Copper chelation and detection of the reduced copper

Bicinchoninic acid (BCA)

- used with: detergents
- limits:
  - ⊖ Incompatible with reducing agents
  - ⊕ chelators
- Assay range: 20 - 2000 µg/mL (25 µL sample v)
- Incubation time: 30 min
- Temp: 37°C
- Assay measurement (λ<sub>max</sub> wavelength): λ<sub>max</sub> = 540 nm

protein-dye binding and associated color change

Bradford (Coomassie dye) for general use

- most common
- compatible (used with): samples containing buffer salts, metal ions, reducing agents, chelators
- incompatible: samples containing detergents
- range: 100 - 1500 µg/mL (20 µL)
- incubation time: 5-10 min, shouldn't be incubated longer than 1h
- Temp: room temperature
- λ<sub>max</sub> = 595 nm

principles

- Use of Coomassie G-250 Dye in a colorimetric reagent for the detection and quantitation of total protein was first described by Dr. Marion Bradford in 1976. It is a colorimetric, spectrophotometric quantitative assay to measure protein concentration.

### → Chemistry of Bradford, Coomassie-based protein assays

In an acidic environment, proteins bind to coomassie dye. This results in a spectral shift from the brown form of the dye to the blue form. The optimal wavelength to measure the blue color from the Coomassie dye-protein complex is 595 nm.

Development of color in Coomassie dye-based protein assays has been associated with the presence of certain basic amino acids—primarily arginine, lysine, and histidine—in the protein. Van der Waals forces and hydrophobic interactions also influence dye-protein binding. The number of Coomassie dye molecules bound to each protein is approximately proportional to the number of positive charges found on the protein.



Figure: Reaction schematic for the Coomassie dye-based Bradford protein assays.

Free amino acids, peptides, and low molecular weight proteins do not produce color with Coomassie dye reagents. In general, the mass of a peptide or protein should be at least 3,000 Dalton for quantification with this reagent.

- Adv ⊕ Bovine serum albumin (BSA) which is used to generate the standard curve has a molecular mass of 66.5 K Dalton and is used because it is widely available in high purity and it is inexpensive.
- disAdv ⊖ The main disadvantage of Coomassie based protein assays is their incompatibility with surfactants/detergents at concentrations routinely used to solubilize membrane proteins. In general, the presence of a surfactant in the sample, even at low concentrations, causes precipitation of the reagent. In addition, the Coomassie dye reagent is highly acidic, so proteins with poor acid-solubility cannot be assayed with this reagent.



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