

Thermodynamic modeling of protein separation

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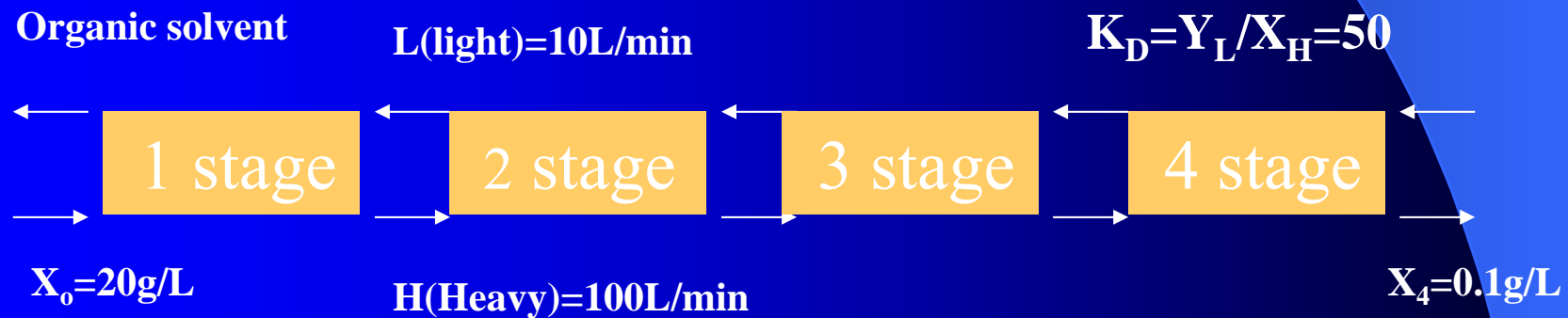
Scope

- ❑ Roles of thermodynamics in biochemical engineering
- ❑ Factors in protein purification
- ❑ Purification of protein
- ❑ Thermodynamic modeling of protein separation and precipitation.



Roles

- For rational, efficient and rapid process development and equipment design in bioprocesses.



[Multistage countercurrent liquid extraction of Penicillian-G]

Potential role of thermodynamics

- Predictions of product behavior (aggregation, degradation) given T, pH, I
 - Predictions of chromatographic behavior based on product properties
 - Prediction of solvent–product interactions
 - Prediction of two–phase aqueous extraction via equilibrium
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Factors affecting protein properties

- Ionic Strength
- pH
- Temperature
- Solubility
- Organic Solvents
- Primary, Secondary, tertiary, quaternary structure



Purification process of protein

□ Precipitation

Solid–Liquid Equilibria

Liquid–Liquid Equilibria

□ Aqueous two phase system

- Polymer–Polymer–protein–Water

- Polymer–Salts–protein–Water

Precipitations.

- By adding Salts ($(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$, Na_2SO_4)
 - $\log S/S_0 = -K_s(I)$
(S_0 : solubility of protein at $I=0$)
 - By adding Polymers(PEG, DEX)
 - reducing the amount of water acting on protein molecules
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Aqueous two phase systems(I)

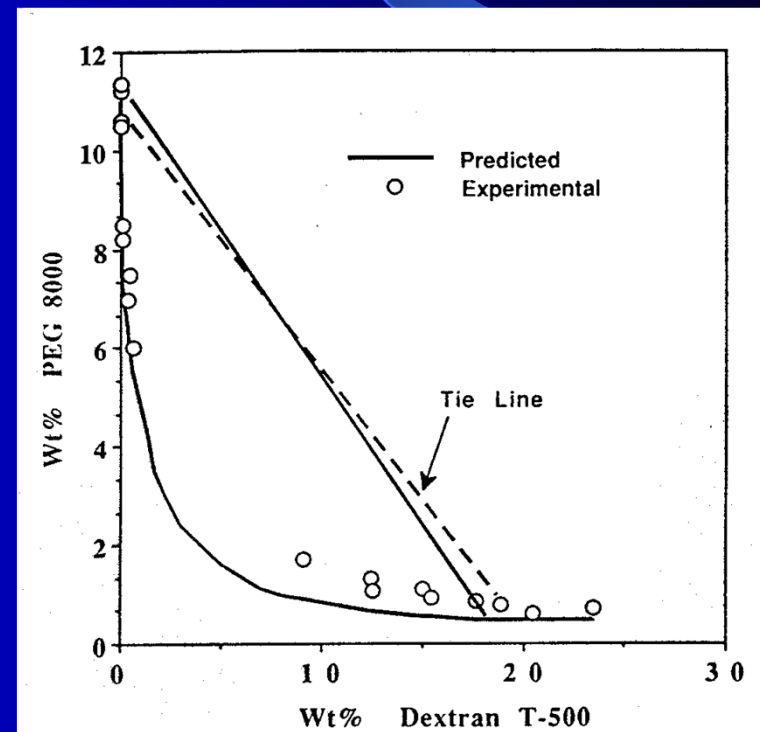
- Polymer–Polymer–water–protein system

Phase : PEG(Dextran)

Dilute solution of protein
i,j,k..., and salt

Phase : Dextran(PEG)

Dilute solution of protein
i,j,k..., and salt



Aqueous two phase systems

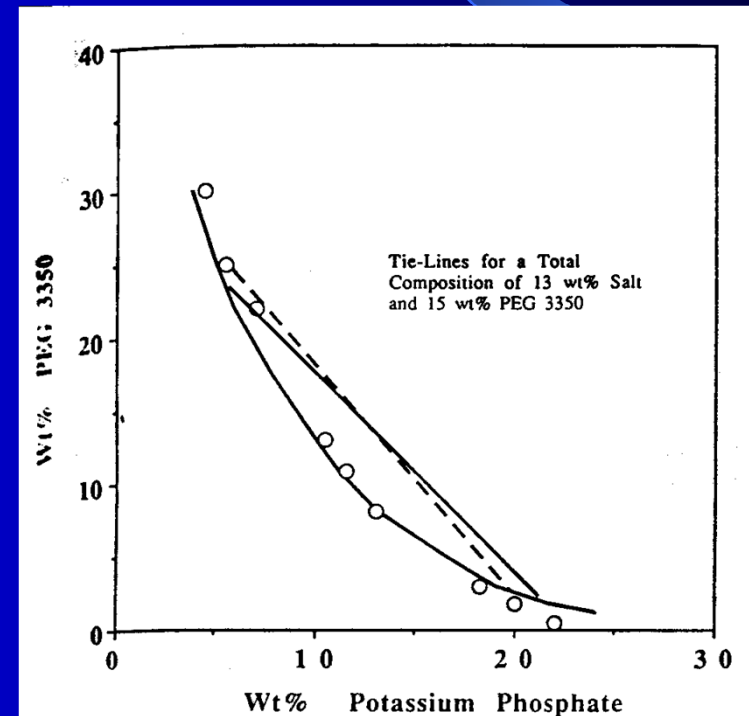
- Polymer–Salt–water–protein system

Phase : PEG

Dilute solution of protein i,j,k...,
and salt

Phase : Phosphate salts

Dilute solution of protein i,j,k...,
and salt



Modeling(I) : Salt-Induced Protein Precipitation

- Potentials of mean force for aqueous protein-protein interactions
 - (C.J.Coen et al, 1995)
 - $W(r) = W_{\text{disp}}(r) + W_{q-q}(r)$ (DLVO)
 - $+ W_{q-\oplus}(r) + W_{\oplus-\oplus}(r)$
 - $+ W_{\text{OA}}(r)$
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$$B_2(a_1^0, T) = B_2^{hs} - \frac{N_A}{2} \int_{d_2+3\text{\AA}}^{\infty} \{\exp[-W(r, a_1^0, T)/kT] - 1\} 4\pi r^2 dr$$

$$\frac{Kc_2}{R_\theta} = \frac{1}{M_{w,2}} + 2B_2c_2 \quad (\text{By LALLS})$$

Modeling(I) : Salt-Induced Protein Precipitation

- Approach using EOS (Prausnitz et al, 1996)

Saturated liquid phase

Pure protein phase (Precipitate)

**Assume
LLE**



Saturated liquid phase

Precipitate +
electrolyte + water



Equation of States approach

- RPA(Random-Phase Approximation) equation of state

$$Z = \frac{P}{\rho kT} = \left(\frac{P}{\rho kT}\right)_{\text{ref}} + \frac{\rho U}{2kT}$$

$$\left(\frac{P}{\rho kT}\right)_{\text{ref}} = \frac{1 + \eta + \eta^2 + \eta^3}{(1 - \eta)^3}$$

$$U = 4\pi \int W_{pp}(r) r^2 dr$$

Protein-Protein Potential

- $W_{ij}(r) = W_{elec}(r) + W_{disp}(r) + W_{osmotic}(r) + W_{specific}(r)$

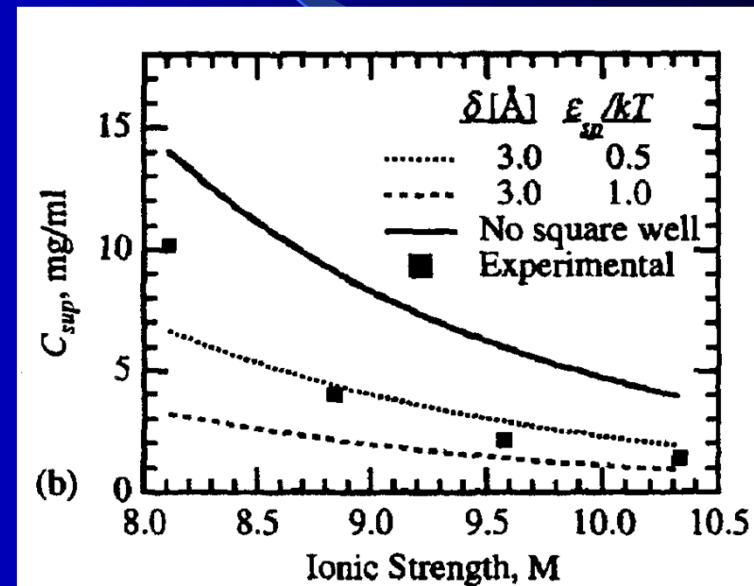
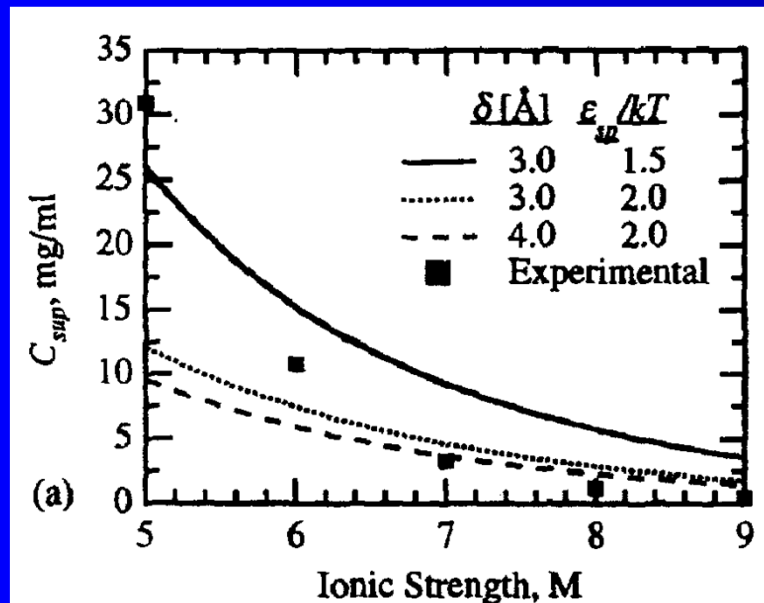
$$W_{elec}(r) = \frac{z_i z_j e^2 (1/r) \exp[-\kappa(r - \sigma_{ij})]}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r (1 + \kappa\sigma_{ij}/2)^2}$$

$$W_{disp}(r) = -\frac{H_{ij}}{12} \left\{ \frac{\sigma_{ij}^2}{r^2 - \sigma_{ij}^2} + \frac{\sigma_{ij}^2}{r^2} + 2\ln\left(1 - \frac{\sigma_{ij}^2}{r^2}\right) \right\}$$

$$W_{osmotic}(r) = -\frac{4}{3} \pi \sigma_{ij,s}^2 (\rho_s kT) \left[1 - \frac{3r}{4\sigma_{ij,s}} + \frac{r^3}{16\sigma_{ij,s}^3} \right]$$

$$W_{specific}(r) = -\epsilon_{sp} (\sigma_{ij} < r < (\sigma_{ij} + \delta)) \\ = 0 (r > (\sigma_{ij} + \delta))$$

Correlation of experimental supernatant phase protein



- a) Hen-egg-white lysozyme in ammonium sulfate
- b) α -chymotrypsin in ammonium sulfate

Modeling(II) : Protein-Electrolytes

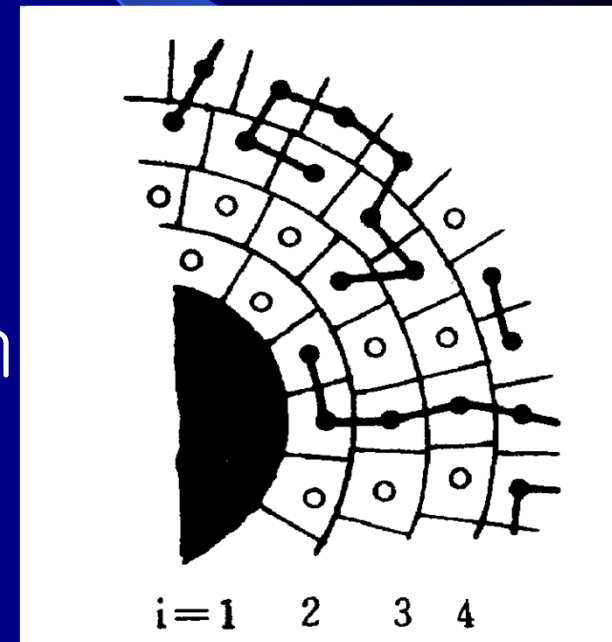
- Adsorption lattice model(Baskir, 1987)
- + Pitzer long-range electrostatic term
- (Qunhua Peng et al,1995)

$$\ln\gamma_4 = \frac{g - g^*}{kT} = -\ln\left(\frac{\Omega}{\Omega^*}\right) + \frac{\Delta U}{kT} - \frac{(n_1^\sigma \Delta\mu_1 + n_2^\sigma \Delta\mu_2)}{kT}$$

$$\ln\gamma_4^{\text{LR}} = \frac{2A_x I_x^{3/2}}{1 + \rho I_x^{1/2}}$$

Characteristics of Model

- Assumptions
 - ▶ Protein : neutral molecule
 - ▶ No electrolyte in the adsorption layers of protein
 - ▶ No interaction between proteins



Modeling(III) : Protein-Polymer/electrolyte

- Integral-Equation Theory
- (C.A. Haynes et al, 1993)

$$h_{ij} = C_{ij}(r) + \sum_k \rho_k \int_0^r C_{kj}(|r-r'|) h_{ik}(r') dr$$

+

$$C_{ij}(r) = -u_{ij}(r) / kT \quad r > d_{ij}$$

$$h_{ij}(r) = -1 \quad r < d_{ij}$$

Characteristics of Model

- $A'_{EX} = A'_{EX,hs} + A'_{EX,na} + A'_{EX,ic} + A'_{EX,cc} + A'_{EX,ve}$

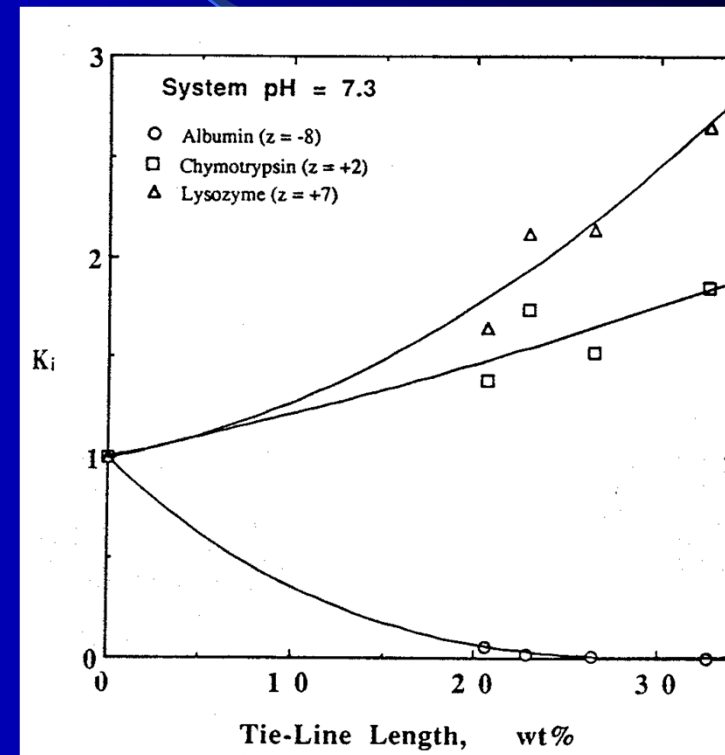
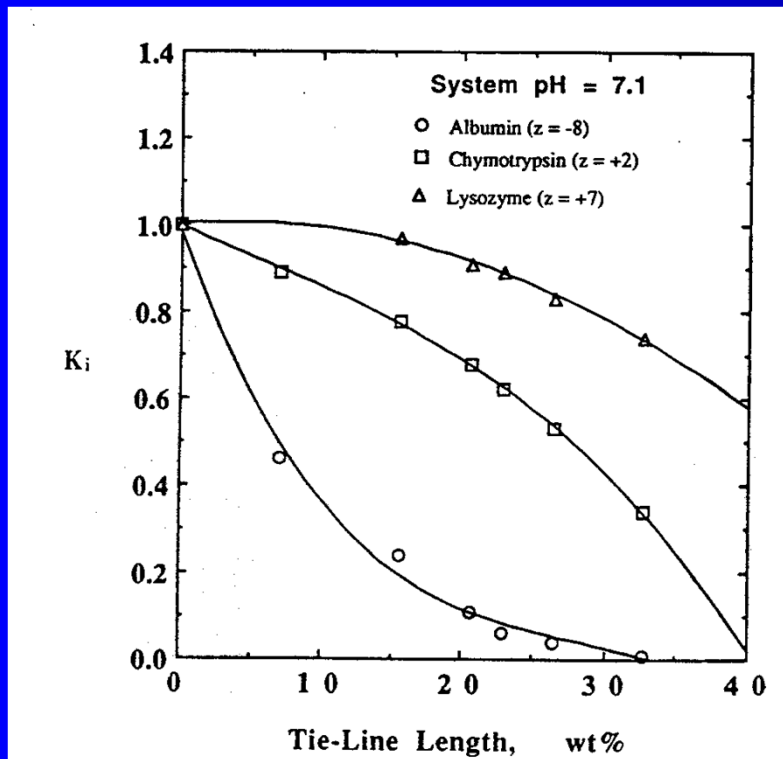
$$A'_{EX} = RTN_{Av} \sum_{i \neq 0} \sum_{j \neq 0} n_i \frac{n_j}{V} \beta_{ij}^*(\mu_o, T)$$

$$\frac{Kc_i}{R_\theta} = \frac{1}{M_{w_i}} + 2B_{ii}c_i \quad (\text{for Polymer and protein})$$

$$\frac{K'(c_i + c_j)}{R_q} = m(c_i + c_j) + b, \quad m = m(B_{ii}, B_{ij}, B_{jj})$$

(Cross osmotic second virial coefficients for macromolecules)

Comparison between exp and calc



- a) PEG3350–Dextran T70–potassium phosphate
- b) PEG3350–Dextran T70–potassium chloride

Conclusion.

- 현재까지 실제 공정에 적용할 수 있는 정량적인 예측능력을 가진 모델은 없다.
 - 단백질의 상평형을 모사하기 위해서는
 - 계에 존재하는 힘들을 적절하게 묘사하는
 - 항들이 포함되어야 한다.
 - Lattice fluid를 Bio-separation에 적용하기 위해서는 segment들의 크기를 고려한 항들이 추가되어야 한다.
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