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1. Consider the following nucleotide:



Balance the following radioactive decay equation by filling in the blank with the missing item.

$$(2+3)$$
 a)  ${}^{14}C \rightarrow \frac{19}{2}N + \beta^{-1}$ 

b) I-131 has a half-life of 8.02 days. If a patient is injected with 2 milliCuries on Tuesday at class time, how much radioactivity is left after 3 weeks? 

$$A = A_0 e^{-kT}$$
;  $k = \frac{m2}{T_{12}}$ ;  $A = A_0 e^{-(0.0861/2)(213)} = 0.326 \text{ milliCuries}$ 

SDS gets are greatly improved in resolution by running a "stacking" get and a "resolving" or "running" get. a) Name two differences between the "stacking" gel and the "resolving" gel that contribute to the improved resolution of running DISC PAGE. .

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b) What is the role of each of the following in performing SDS-PAGE? i) N.N'-methylene-bis-acrylamide:

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ii) Dithiothreitol:

Reduce disulfides

The equation of motion for a small, spherical particle of mass (m) and frictional coefficient (f) that is initially at rest, and then acted on by a constant force (F) at time t = 0 is F -fv = ma. (From calculus recall that F - fv = m(dv/dt) solves to v = (F/f) [1 - exp(-ft/m)].)

a) Show that such a particle will initially accelerate but over time will approach a "maximal" velocity.

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b) Now consider protein particle that is assumed to be spherical with a diameter of 80Å, a density of 1.3 g/cm<sup>3</sup> and a v-bar of 0.73 cm<sup>3</sup>/g.

i) Calculate the time in seconds for such a particle to reach 98% of its maximal velocity after being subject

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$$\frac{1}{2} = 0.98 \doteq (1 \cdot e^{Ft/m}) \begin{cases} mass = 3.49 \times 10^{-19} g \\ f_{min} = 7.5 \times 10^{-8} \frac{3}{5} \end{cases} \Rightarrow t = 1.8 \times 10^{-11} sc$$

ii) If the diffusion constant for this protein is determined to be 0.258 x 10° cm<sup>2</sup>/s with T = 20° C, and η = 0.01 (g/cm-s), calculate the frictional coefficient ratio (f/fmin) for this protein and comment on whether our assumption that this is a spherical protein molecule was correct or not. .1

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5. Determine the sedimentation coefficient (s) and molecular weight (M) for the sample that gave the following data when subjected to: A) a sedimentation velocity run using Schlieren optics, and B) a sedimentation equilibrium run using interference optics. Note: the figures below have been magnified to allow you to make measurements from the figures. The "r" can be determined from the reference points (r<sub>o</sub>) and the magnification factors. Assume T = 20° C, density of buffer = 0.9978 g/mL, and v-bar = 0.737 cm<sup>3</sup>/g for the protein, and η = 0.01 (g/cm-s) for both experiments.

A) Sed. Vel. : ω = 40,000 rpm, magnification factor (2.5X), r<sub>o</sub> = 5.72 cm. (times are given in minutes).



B) Sed Equilibrium: ω = 5200 rpm, magnification factor (25X), r<sub>o</sub> = 6.75 cm. Calculate M in g/mol (8pts) and also estimate the concentration of the protein at the position with the white arrow (2 pts). Assume the cell path length to be 12.00 2m, λ = 546 nm, and (dn/dc = 0.186 (g/cm<sup>3</sup>)<sup>-1</sup>.



