

LABORATORY CALCULATIONS

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Learning Objectives

- Understand and be able to use the following types of calculations:
 - Reference intervals
 - Sensitivity/specificity
 - ROC curve
 - Student t test
 - Volume of distribution
 - Beer's Law
 - Enzyme kinetics
 - Basic management calculations
 - Buffers

Reference intervals

- Validating a reference interval?
- Transferring a reference interval?
- Establishing a reference interval
 - On a test with well-defined inclusion/exclusion criteria? - a priori sampling
 - On a new analyte? – a posteriori sampling

Reference intervals

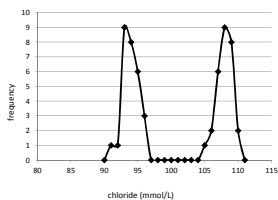
- Validating a reference interval?
 - 20 – 60 reference individuals
- Transferring a reference interval?
 - 20 – **60** reference individuals
- Establishing a reference interval
 - On a test with well-defined inclusion/exclusion criteria? - a priori sampling – 120 healthy individuals in each partition to get 90% C.I. at 95th percentile
 - On a new analyte? – a posteriori sampling – as many as you can analyze

Reference intervals

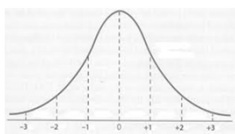
- Establishing a reference interval
- **Look at data distribution!** – why?
- Example: Chloride on CAVH fluid
 - N = 56
 - Mean = 101
 - Median 100
 - SD = 7

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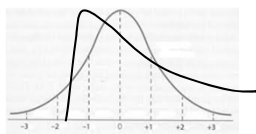


Normally distributed data:
use parametric statistics

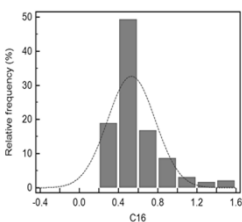
mean \pm 2SD to get 95%

NOT normally distributed data:
use non-parametric statistics

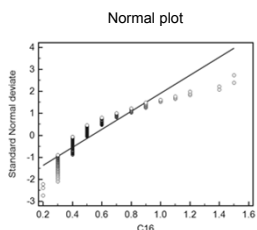
2.5th and 97.5th percentiles



Reference interval for 3-OH-C16



Frequency histogram



Reference interval for 3-OH-C16

• Non-parametric analysis:

• Rank the values in order, lowest to highest, and number them (1 = lowest value)

• Determine 2.5th percentile and 97.5th percentile value

• 2.5th = 0.025 (n+1)

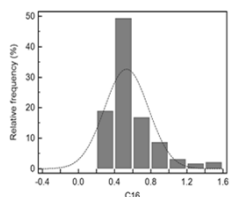
97.5th = 0.975(n + 1)

3-OH-C16 reference interval

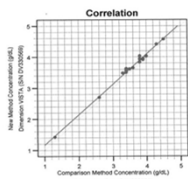
- N = 197
 - Range = 0.2 – 1.5
 - Mean = 0.53; median = 0.50
 - Non-parametric 95% reference interval:
 - 2.5th = 0.025(198) = 4.95 = 5th value
 - 97.5th = 0.975(198) = 193rd value
- 0.3 – 1.2**

3-OH-C16 reference interval

- Non-parametric 95% reference interval:
 - 2.5th = 0.025(198) = 4.95 = 5th value
 - 97.5th = 0.975(198) = 193rd value
- 0.3 – 1.2**
- Gaussian 95% interval
0.05 – 1.01



Validating a reference interval

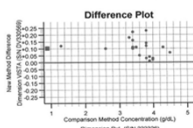


$$Y = 0.98 X + 0.19$$

$$r^2 = 0.9960$$

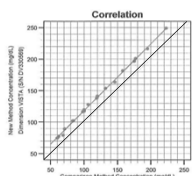
Slope almost 1.0, intercept almost 0

Average difference = +0.1 g/dL



Accepted current reference interval for use with new assay

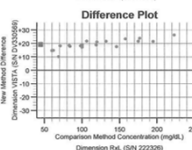
Transferring a reference interval



$$Y = 1.063X + 9.1$$

$$r^2 = 0.9998$$

Average difference = +19 mg/dL



Adjusted reference intervals
Notified physicians

Clinical validity / utility of a test: sensitivity/specificity/predictive values

- **Specificity:** the frequency of a negative test when no disease is present; ability to rule out a disease

$$\text{Spec.} = \frac{\text{TN}}{\text{TN} + \text{FP}} \times 100 = (\%)$$

- **Sensitivity:** the frequency of a positive test when disease is present; ability of test to detect disease

$$\text{Sens.} = \frac{\text{TP}}{\text{TP} + \text{FN}} \times 100 = (\%)$$

Sensitivity/specificity

$$\text{Spec.} = \frac{\text{TN}}{\text{TN} + \text{FP}} \times 100 = (\%) \quad \text{Sens.} = \frac{\text{TP}}{\text{TP} + \text{FN}} \times 100 = (\%)$$

3-OHFA's data – good test for diagnosing LCHAD and SCHAD?

	SCHAD		LCHAD	
	SCHAD	No SCHAD	LCHAD	No LCHAD
Positive	6 (TP)	15 (FP)	8 (TP)	0 (FP)
Negative	0 (FN)	182 (TN)	0 (FN)	197 (TN)

Spec for SCHAD = 182/197 X100 = 92.4% Spec for LCHAD = 197/197 X100 = 100%
Sens for SCHAD = 6/6 X100 = 100% Sens for LCHAD = 8/8 X100 = 100%

Clinical/diagnostic utility

- **Positive predictive value (PPV)** – predictive value of a positive test

$$PPV = \frac{TP}{TP + FP} \times 100 = \%$$

For SCHAD: $6/21 \times 100 = 28.6\%$
 For LCHAD: $8/8 \times 100 = 100\%$

In general, if prevalence of disease is very low, get more FP, and PPV is bad

- **Negative predictive value (NPV)** – predictive value of a negative test

$$NPV = \frac{TN}{TN + FN} \times 100 = \%$$

For SCHAD: $199/199 \times 100 = 100\%$
 For LCHAD: $197/197 \times 100 = 100\%$
 test good for ruling out both disorders

ROC curves

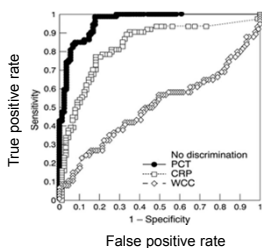
- Graphical way to present sensitivity and specificity data

- Software also gives you:

- PPV, NPV
- Likelihood ratios: +LR, -LR – likelihood a pos test will be seen in a patient with the disease compared to a patient without the disease
 - ↑ +LR – the better the test is for diagnosing disease
 - ↑ -LR – the better the test is at ruling out the disease

- Sensitivity and specificity can be considered reciprocals

ROC curves

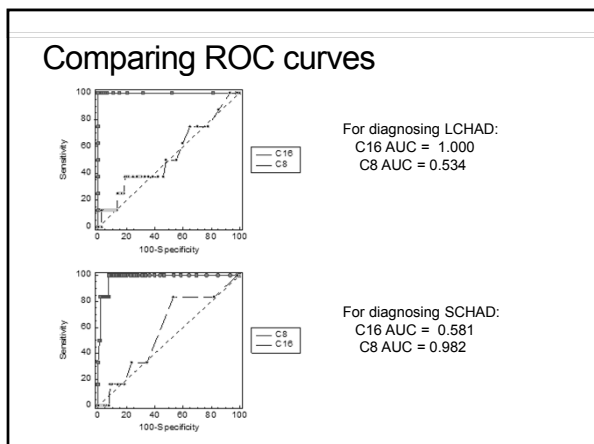
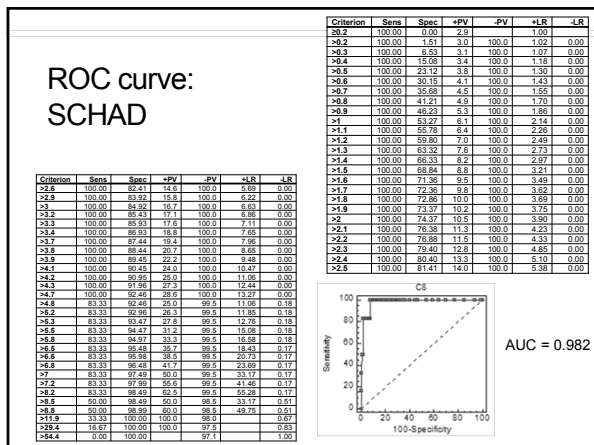
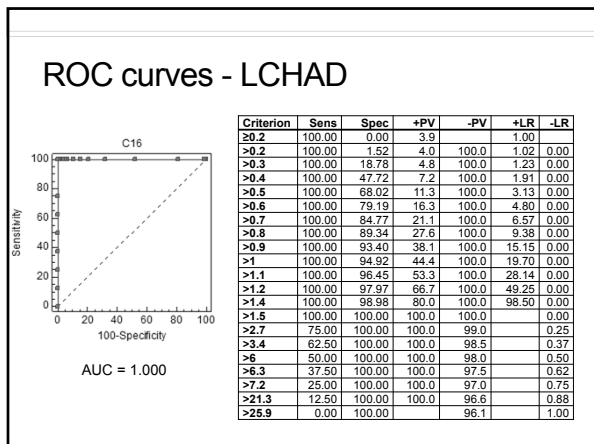


AUC = 1.00
 perfect test
 100% sensitive and specific

AUC = 0.500
 test is no better than
 flipping a coin

To set up a ROC curve

- For each data point, assign a 1 (disorder present) or a 0, (disorder absent)



Student t test

If comparing a sample with the population from which it was selected:

$$t = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{s / \sqrt{N}}$$

Or, if comparing two samples:

$$t = \frac{X_1 - X_2}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{N_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{N_2}}}$$

Student t test

If comparing a sample with the population from which it was selected:

$$t = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{s / \sqrt{N}}$$

Average age of attendees at a conference is 32
 The ages of the 10 attendees in the front row are 35, 37, 40, 30, 34, 35, 38, 32, 34 and 39. Are older attendees more likely to sit on the front row?

Mean = 35.4
 s = 3.13
 9 degrees of freedom

$$t = (35.4 - 32) \div (3.13 / \sqrt{10})$$

$$= 3.4 \div (3.13 / 3.16)$$

$$= 3.4 / 0.99 = \mathbf{3.4243}$$

Student t test

If comparing a sample with the population from which it was selected:

$$t = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{s / \sqrt{N}}$$

t = 3.4243
 9 degrees of freedom
 (N - 1)

Older attendees are more likely to sit on the front row.

P = 0.0075

t	0.25	0.1	0.05	0.025	0.01	0.005	0.001
1	1.000	1.078	1.151	1.200	1.282	1.385	1.638
2	0.953	1.024	1.098	1.147	1.230	1.333	1.585
3	0.908	0.980	1.054	1.103	1.186	1.289	1.541
4	0.864	0.937	1.011	1.060	1.143	1.246	1.497
5	0.821	0.894	0.968	1.017	1.100	1.203	1.454
6	0.779	0.852	0.926	0.975	1.058	1.161	1.411
7	0.737	0.810	0.884	0.933	1.016	1.119	1.368
8	0.695	0.768	0.842	0.891	0.974	1.077	1.325
9	0.653	0.726	0.800	0.849	0.932	1.035	1.282
10	0.611	0.684	0.758	0.807	0.890	0.993	1.239
11	0.569	0.642	0.716	0.765	0.848	0.951	1.196
12	0.527	0.600	0.674	0.723	0.806	0.909	1.153
13	0.485	0.558	0.632	0.681	0.764	0.867	1.110
14	0.443	0.516	0.590	0.639	0.722	0.825	1.067
15	0.401	0.474	0.548	0.597	0.680	0.783	1.024
16	0.359	0.432	0.506	0.555	0.638	0.741	0.981
17	0.317	0.390	0.464	0.513	0.596	0.699	0.938
18	0.275	0.348	0.422	0.471	0.554	0.657	0.895
19	0.233	0.306	0.380	0.429	0.512	0.615	0.852
20	0.191	0.264	0.338	0.387	0.470	0.573	0.809
21	0.149	0.222	0.296	0.345	0.428	0.531	0.766
22	0.107	0.180	0.254	0.303	0.386	0.489	0.723
23	0.065	0.138	0.212	0.261	0.344	0.447	0.680
24	0.023	0.100	0.174	0.223	0.306	0.409	0.637
25	0.000	0.058	0.132	0.181	0.264	0.367	0.594
26		0.016	0.090	0.139	0.222	0.325	0.551
27		0.004	0.048	0.097	0.180	0.283	0.508
28		0.001	0.016	0.034	0.072	0.165	0.465
29			0.004	0.012	0.028	0.066	0.422
30			0.001	0.008	0.024	0.062	0.379

Student t test

Or, if comparing two samples:

$$t = \frac{X_1 - X_2}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{N_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{N_2}}}$$

Measured 8 controls yesterday:
Mean = 8.7
S = 1.42

Measured 10 controls today:
Mean = 8.0
S = 0.79

Is there a significant bias between the two days?

Case 4: Student t test

Or, if comparing two samples:

$$t = \frac{X_1 - X_2}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{N_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{N_2}}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{(1.42)^2/8 + (0.79)^2/10} \\ & = \sqrt{0.252 + 0.062} \\ & = 0.56 \end{aligned}$$

Measured 8 controls yesterday:
Mean = 8.7
S = 1.42

Measured 10 controls today:
Mean = 7.9
S = 0.86

$$\begin{aligned} t &= (8.7 - 8.0) \div 0.56 \\ &= 0.7 / 0.56 \\ &= 1.25 \end{aligned}$$

Student t test

t = 1.25
16 degrees of freedom
(N₁ + N₂ - 2)

no significant bias between the 2 days

P = 0.1952

	1 min	0.25	0.1	0.05	0.025	0.01	0.005	0.001
df	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
1	1.000	1.078	1.122	1.159	1.190	1.217	1.241	1.262
2	0.816	0.886	0.920	0.939	0.955	0.969	0.980	0.990
3	0.766	0.838	0.871	0.890	0.906	0.919	0.930	0.939
4	0.741	0.813	0.846	0.865	0.881	0.894	0.905	0.914
5	0.727	0.799	0.832	0.851	0.867	0.880	0.891	0.899
6	0.718	0.790	0.823	0.842	0.858	0.871	0.882	0.890
7	0.711	0.783	0.816	0.835	0.851	0.864	0.875	0.883
8	0.706	0.778	0.811	0.830	0.846	0.859	0.870	0.878
9	0.703	0.775	0.808	0.827	0.843	0.856	0.867	0.875
10	0.700	0.772	0.805	0.824	0.840	0.853	0.864	0.872
11	0.697	0.769	0.802	0.821	0.837	0.850	0.861	0.869
12	0.695	0.767	0.800	0.819	0.835	0.848	0.859	0.867
13	0.694	0.766	0.799	0.818	0.834	0.847	0.858	0.866
14	0.692	0.764	0.797	0.816	0.832	0.845	0.856	0.864
15	0.691	0.763	0.796	0.815	0.831	0.844	0.855	0.863
16	0.690	0.762	0.795	0.814	0.830	0.843	0.854	0.862
17	0.689	0.761	0.794	0.813	0.829	0.842	0.853	0.861
18	0.688	0.760	0.793	0.812	0.828	0.841	0.852	0.860
19	0.688	0.759	0.792	0.811	0.827	0.840	0.851	0.859
20	0.687	0.758	0.791	0.810	0.826	0.839	0.850	0.858
21	0.686	0.757	0.790	0.809	0.825	0.838	0.849	0.857
22	0.686	0.756	0.789	0.808	0.824	0.837	0.848	0.856
23	0.685	0.755	0.788	0.807	0.823	0.836	0.847	0.855
24	0.685	0.754	0.787	0.806	0.822	0.835	0.846	0.854
25	0.684	0.753	0.786	0.805	0.821	0.834	0.845	0.853
26	0.684	0.752	0.785	0.804	0.820	0.833	0.844	0.852
27	0.684	0.751	0.784	0.803	0.819	0.832	0.843	0.851
28	0.683	0.750	0.783	0.802	0.818	0.831	0.842	0.850
29	0.683	0.749	0.782	0.801	0.817	0.830	0.841	0.849
30	0.683	0.748	0.781	0.800	0.816	0.829	0.840	0.848

Volume of Distribution (V_d)

- The Volume of Distribution (V_d) is the amount of blood, per Kg body weight, necessary to contain all of the body burden of drug at equilibrium concentration.

$$\text{Plasma Concentration} = \frac{\text{Total Body Stores}}{\text{Volume of Distribution}}$$

Interpreting V_d

- Drugs with low V_d are contained mostly in the plasma, because . . .
 - They are highly water soluble (plasma water content is higher than tissues), or
 - They are highly protein bound (which prevents them from freely diffusing into tissues)
- Drugs with high V_d are mostly in tissues, and plasma levels may not reflect body burden

V_d calculation

A 175 lb man takes a 5 mg dose of phenobarbital ($V_d = 1.0 \text{ L/Kg}$). What is the *maximum* plasma phenobarbital concentration you can expect?

Plasma concentration = total body stores \div volume of distribution
 175 lb = 79.4 Kg

$$C = (5 \text{ mg}/79.4 \text{ Kg}) \div 1.0 \text{ L/Kg}$$

$$= 0.063 \text{ mg/Kg} \div 1.0 \text{ L/Kg}$$

$$= 0.063 \text{ mg/L} = 0.063 \text{ } \mu\text{g/mL}$$

V_d calculation

A 55 Kg woman has a plasma theophylline ($V_d = 0.5 \text{ L/Kg}$) concentration of $15 \mu\text{g/L}$. What is her total body burden of theophylline?

Plasma concentration = total body stores \div volume of distribution

$$15 \mu\text{g/L} = (\text{concentration}/55 \text{ Kg}) \div 0.5 \text{ L/Kg}$$

$$(15 \mu\text{g/L})(0.5 \text{ Kg/L}) = \text{concentration}/55 \text{ Kg}$$

$$7.5 \mu\text{g/Kg} = \text{concentration}/55 \text{ Kg}$$

$$(7.5 \mu\text{g/Kg})(55 \text{ Kg}) = \text{concentration}$$

412.5 μg

Beer's Law

- The mathematical formula that expresses:
concentration of an analyte dissolved in solution is directly proportional to its absorbance.

Caveats:

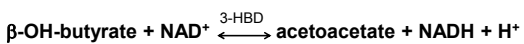
- 1) Absorbance must be in the linear range
($\sim 0.05 - 2.0$)
- 2) incident light must be monochromatic
one wavelength
- 3) no interfering substances may be present
absorbances are additive

Beer's law

$$A = abc$$

- A = absorbance
- a = absorptivity coefficient
(ϵ = molar units)
- b = path length of light
through sample
- c = concentration

Beer's Law



- 0.1 mL sample added to 2.7 mL buffer, 0.15 mL NAD^+ (27 mmol/L), and 50 μL 3-HBD

(3 mL total volume: $0.1 + 2.7 + 0.15 + 0.05$)

- Measured absorbance of produced NADH relative to a blank at 340 nm in a 1 cm cell

$$\mathbf{A = 0.57}$$

- Calculate the $\beta\text{-OH-butyrate}$ concentration

$\beta\text{-OH-butyrate}$

$$\bullet A = abc$$

A = absorbance = 0.57

ϵ = molar absorptivity of NADH
= $6.22 \times 10^3 \text{ L}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}\cdot\text{cm}^{-1}$

b = path length of light
through sample = 1 cm

c = concentration

$$0.57 = 6.22 \times 10^3 \times 1 \times c$$

$\beta\text{-OH-butyrate}$

$$0.57 = 6.22 \times 10^3 \times 1 \times c$$

$$c = 0.57 \div (6.22 \times 10^3) = 9.2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol/L}$$

Convert to mmol/L (multiply $\times 10^3$) = 0.092 mmol/L

= $\beta\text{-OH-butyrate}$ in final mixture!

Calculate $\beta\text{-OHB}$ in sample by multiplying by
dilution factor (V_T/V_S)

β -OH-butyrate

Total volume = 2.7 + 0.1 + 0.15 + 0.05 = 3.0 mL

$$(0.092 \text{ mmol/L} \times 3.0 \text{ mL}) \div 0.1 \text{ mL}$$

= 2.76 mmol/L β -OH-butyrate in the sample

Can do this in a single calculation

 β -OH-butyrate

Can do this in a single calculation

$$c = \frac{(0.57)(10^3)(3.0)}{(6.22 \times 10^3)(0.1)}$$

Careful to include all dilution factors and unit conversion factors

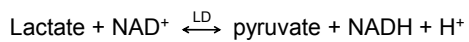
Enzymes

- Beer's Law $A = abc$
- also used for calculating enzyme concentrations

$$(\Delta\text{Abs}/\epsilon \times d)(10^6)(V_T/V_S) = U/L$$

- where: ΔAbs = change in absorbance per minute
- ϵ = molar absorptivity of product
- d = path length of light through sample
- V_T/V_S = total volume/sample volume
- 10^6 = conversion from mol/L to $\mu\text{mol/L}$
- U/L = $\mu\text{mol/min/L}$

Lactate Dehydrogenase



- 50 μL sample added to 1 mL of reagent containing buffer, NAD^+ and lactate
- Measure absorbance initially and at 1 minute intervals for 5 minutes in a cuvette with a 1 cm path length
- Calculate the LD enzyme activity (concentration)

LD

time	Abs
0	0.081
1	0.114
2	0.146
3	0.177
4	0.211
5	0.243

LD

time	Abs	ΔAbs
0	0.081	
1	0.114	0.033
2	0.146	0.032
3	0.177	0.031
4	0.211	0.034
5	0.243	0.032



$$0.162/5 = \mathbf{0.032} = \Delta\text{Abs}$$

LD

$$\cdot (\Delta \text{Abs}/\epsilon \times d)(10^6)(V_T/V_0) = U/L$$

$$c = \frac{(0.032)(10^6)(1.05)}{(6.22 \times 10^3)(0.05)} = 108 \text{ U/L}$$

Enzyme Kinetics

• **Kinetics** = mathematical description of a reaction as it is happening

• Michaelis and Menten developed a simple model for examining the kinetics of enzyme catalyzed reactions

• ASSUMING:



- formation of ES is reversible
- formation of E + P is irreversible

• Michaelis-Menten plot

Enzyme Kinetics

• Velocity (rate) of the reaction:

• **at low [S]:**

~straight line;

1st order with respect to [S]

-velocity depends on [S]

• **at high [S]:**

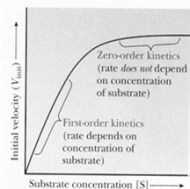
flat line

zero order with respect to [S]

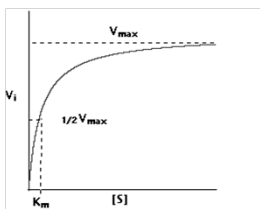
Rate won't ↑ no matter [S]

unless enzyme concentration ↑

-velocity depends on enzyme concentration



Michaelis-Menten Plot



$$V = \frac{V_{max} [S]}{K_m + [S]}$$

mathematical formula to describe this simple enzyme reaction

V_i = initial velocity (moles/time)
 $[S]$ = substrate concentration (molar)
 V_{max} = maximum velocity
 K_m = substrate concentration when V_i is one-half V_{max} (Michaelis-Menton constant)

Enzyme Kinetics

V ($\mu\text{mol}/\text{min}$)	[S] (mmol/L)
60	200
60	20
60	2
48	0.2
45	0.15
12	0.013

What is V_{max} ?

Enzyme Kinetics

V ($\mu\text{mol}/\text{min}$)	[S] (mmol/L)
60	200
60	20
60	2
48	0.2
45	0.15
12	0.013

What is V_{max} ?

60 $\mu\text{mol}/\text{min}$

Enzyme Kinetics

V ($\mu\text{mol}/\text{min}$)	[S] (mmol/L)	
60	200	What is V_{max} ?
60	20	
60	2	60 $\mu\text{mol}/\text{min}$
48	0.2	
45	0.15	What is K_m ?
12	0.013	

Enzyme Kinetics

V ($\mu\text{mol}/\text{min}$)	[S] (mmol/L)	
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60	20	60 $\mu\text{mol}/\text{min}$
60	2	
48	0.2	What is K_m ?
45	0.15	[S] at $\frac{1}{2} V_{\text{max}}$
12	0.013	[S] at 30 $\mu\text{mol}/\text{min}$

Michaelis-Menten plot

Draw M-M plot and determine K_m
Or calculate it.

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60	20	$45 (K_m + 0.15) = (60)(0.15)$
60	2	
48	0.2	$45K_m + 45(0.15) = (60)(0.15)$
45	0.15	
12	0.013	

$$V = \frac{V_{\max} [S]}{K_m + [S]}$$

$$45 K_m + 6.75 = 9$$

$$45 K_m = 9 - 6.75$$

$$45 K_m = 2.25$$

$$K_m = \frac{2.25}{45} = 0.05 \text{ mmol/L}$$

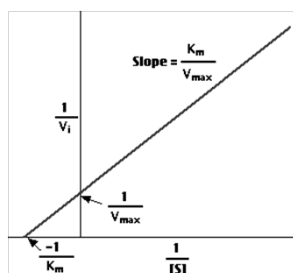
Lineweaver-Burk plot

- Since plot of V vs. $[S]$ is not a straight line, it is difficult to obtain accurate values of V_{max} and K_m
- The Lineweaver-Burk plot or double reciprocal plot is a linear transformation of the Michaelis-Menten equation

$$\frac{1}{v} = \left\{ \frac{1}{[S]} \right\} \left\{ \frac{K_m}{V_{max}} \right\} + \left\{ \frac{1}{V_{max}} \right\}$$

This equation yields a straight line
 Where: slope = K_m/V_{max} , y intercept = $1/V_{max}$,
 x intercept = $-1/K_m$

Lineweaver-Burk plot



Lineweaver-Burk

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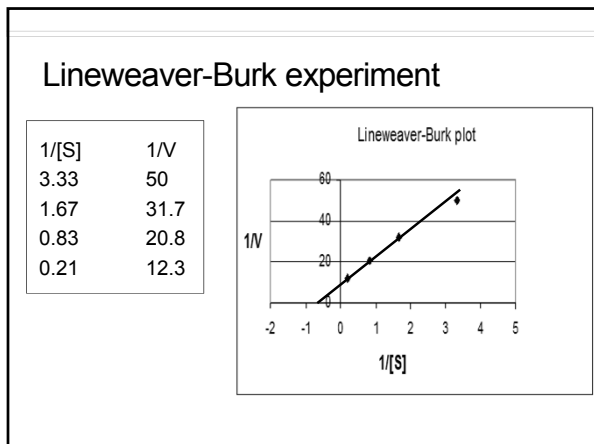
[S]	V (ΔA)	1/[S]	1/V
0.3 mM	0.020	3.33	50
0.6 mM	0.035	1.67	31.7
1.2 mM	0.048	0.83	20.8
4.8 mM	0.081	0.21	12.3

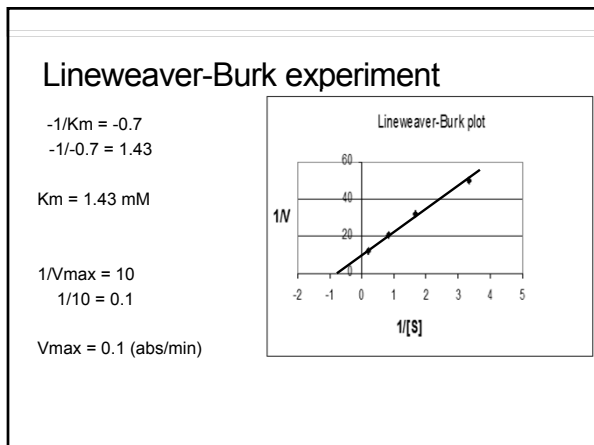
plot

Lineweaver-Burk

1/[S]	1/V
3.33	50
1.67	31.7
0.83	20.8
0.21	12.3

Lineweaver-Burk plot





Management – service contract?

- 75 i-stats at \$9000.00 each
- Service contract: \$30,000/year/20 I-stats
 - \$70,000 to cover all 75 (instead of \$82,500)
- Replacement cost of \$2500.00/unit
- You have clumsy nurses and average needing to replace 16 units per year
- Do you need the service contract?
- What's the break even number of i-stats?

Management – service contract

- 75 i-stats at \$9000.00 each
- Service contract: \$30,000/year/ 20 I-stats to cover them, \$70,000 to cover all 75.
- Replacement cost of \$2500.00/unit
- You have clumsy nurses and average needing to replace 16 units per year

$16 \times 2500 = \$40,000.00$ Don't need a service contract.

$70,000 \div 2500 = 28$ Unless you start breaking more than 28 iStat/year, don't need a service contract

What if you had to buy a new i-Stat whenever you broke one?
\$9000 rather than \$2500 per broken i-Stat

Management – service contract

- 75 i-stats at \$9000.00 each
- Service contract: \$30,000/year/ 20 I-stats to cover them, \$70,000 to cover all 75.
- Replacement cost of \$9,000/unit

$16 \times 9000 = \$144,000.00$ Yes! Need a service contract.

$70,000 \div 9000 = 7.8$ Unless you break less than 8 i-Stat/year, need a service contract

Management – bring that test in-house?

- Considerations –
 - Current cost to send test out
 - Current test volume
 - Current TAT and perceived needs
 - Tech time and workflow
 - Instrumentation to run assay
 - Newly available, FDA-approved assay on current chemistry platform
 - LDT assay on esoteric instrument

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 - Current cost to send test out
 - Current test volume
 - Current TAT and perceived needs
 - Tech time and workflow
 - Instrumentation to run assay
 - **Newly available assay on current chemistry platform**
 - Yes, unless:
 - Volume is so low, won't break even on what the test costs
 - Costs more on chem platform than sending it out
 - Volume is so high will impact workflow

Management – bring that test in-house?

- Voriconazole –
 - Current cost to send test out – \$150.00/test
 - Current test volume – 1000/year
 - Current TAT and perceived needs – 4 days at best; want at least next day if possible
 - Tech time and workflow – limited techs on esoteric equipment
 - Instrumentation to run assay
 - **LDT assay on esoteric instrument – MS/MS assay**

MET - Voriconazole, plasma Waters Quattro

CRM Number: HCRG J
 CPT Code: 80299
 Date of Cost Study: 4/23/2014
 Cost Center Name: Metabolics and Advanced Diagnosti...
 Cost Center Number: 52052
 Methodology: MS/MS

Costing tool

Testing Information		Testing and Hands On Time	
Number of Days/Week that Test is Run	3	Job Class	Minutes
Average Number of Runs per Week	3	Rate/M	Hour
Controls Number of Days/Week	13	Reach Tech Time/Calibration	C10 10 0 \$0.500
Calibration Curves Average Number/Month	13	Reach Tech Average Time/RT	C10 2 \$0.500
Number of Controls/Day	2	Verification Time/RT	C10 2 \$0.500
Average Number of Tests/Bill/Month	15	Start Up and Shut Down Time/RT	C10 24 \$0.500
Average Number of Dilutions/Month	0	Supervisor Average Time/RT	0 0 \$0.377
Maximum Number of RT Tests/Run	16	Lab Assistant Time/RT	0 0 \$0.248
Average Number of Replicates/Month	1	Nurse Time/RT	0 0 \$0.548
Number of PI and Parallel Tests/Month	1		
Total RT/Year	2227		

Depreciation Cost		Service Contract Cost	
Instrument Name	Cost Years Cost/Yr	Contract Name	Cost Years Cost/Yr
	\$325,002.72 10 \$32,500.27		\$63,105.42 1 \$63,105.42
Cost/Year	\$32,500.27	Cost/Year	\$63,105.42
Total RT/Year	2,227	Total RT/Year	2,227
Cost/RT	\$14.59	Cost/RT	\$28.34

Lab Costs Database

Put in test information:

- Runs/week
- Calibrations/month
- Controls/month
- **Total billable tests (BT) per year**

Testing Information	
Number of Days/Week that Test is Run	3
Average Number of Runs per Week	3
Controls: Number of Days/Month	13
Calibration Curves: Average Number/Month	13
Number of Controls/Day	2
Average Number of Tests Billed/Month	15
Average Number of Dilutions/Month	0
Maximum Number of BT Tests/Run	16
Average Number of Repeats/Month	1
Number of PI and Parallel Tests/Month	1
Total BT/Year	2227

Put in tech time

- Tech grade
- Time at various steps
- Anyone else's time

Testing and Hands On Time			
	Job Class or Grade	Minutes	Rate/Minute
Bench Tech Time/Calibration	C10	8	\$0.500
Bench Tech Average Time/BT	C10	2	\$0.500
Verification Time/BT	C10	2	\$0.500
Start Up and Shut Down Time/BT	C10	24	\$0.500
Supervisor Average Time/BT		0	\$0.377
Lab Assistant Time/BT		0	\$0.248
Nurse Time/BT		0	\$0.548

Put in instrumentation costs

- Depreciation
- Service contract

Depreciation Cost				Service Contract Cost			
Instrument Name	Cost	Years	Cost/Yr	Contract Name	Cost	Years	Cost/Yr
WK	\$325,002.72	10	\$32,500.27	WK	\$63,105.42	1	\$63,105.42
WK				WK			
Cost/Year	\$32,500.27			Cost/Year	\$63,105.42		
Total BT/Year	2,227			Total BT/Year	2,227		
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Put in supply costs

Supplier	Vendor	Category ID	Cost Per Item	# of Inks Per Item	Unit of Measure	Cost Per Ink	Qty Per Calibration	Avg Calibration Cost	Qty Per Day	Avg Cost Per Day Per BT	Cost Per BT	
MI W Purine Pipette	Cardinal	21250	\$16.50	500	ea	\$0.04	6	\$0.24	2	\$0.08	1	\$0.04
MI I 1.8 Round Volume	Radco	212960	\$16.00	1000	ea	\$0.15	6	\$0.90	2	\$0.30	1	\$0.15
MI I Methanol, Ultra for MS	Fisher	2454-4	\$415.05	10000	ml	\$0.03	7.2	\$0.19	2.4	\$0.06	1.3	\$0.03
MI I Volumetric Calibration vial	Jin Heiser	\$0.43	1	ea	\$0.43	1	\$0.43	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	
MI I Volumetric graduated vial	Jin Heiser	\$19.50	100	ml	\$0.19	1.8	\$0.33	0.6	\$0.08	0.3	\$0.04	
MI I Volumetric QC cont/vial	Jin Heiser	\$0.39	1	ea	\$0.39	1	\$0.39	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	
MI I Water, Optima for MS	Fisher	2126-1	\$276.21	6000	ml	\$0.05	3.6	\$0.18	1.2	\$0.06	0.6	\$0.03
MI Microcentrifuge Tubes	Fisher	205-408-137	\$16.62	500	ea	\$0.07	6	\$0.44	2	\$0.15	1	\$0.07
MI Pipet tips 1000 ul	Radco	2130317	\$16.00	960	ea	\$0.04	1	\$0.04	1	\$0.04	1	\$0.04
MI Pipet tips 200 ul	Radco	2130312	\$16.50	960	ea	\$0.04	6	\$0.25	2	\$0.08	1	\$0.04
MI Pipet tips 500 ul	Radco	2130310	\$17.75	100	ea	\$0.28	6	\$1.67	2	\$1.56	1	\$0.78
MI LEANMANHATTAN PRECISION	Cumbraker	2161104	\$72.00	100	cs	\$0.72	6	\$4.32	2	\$1.46	1	\$0.73
MI JD PFR/Aluminum septum	Stan Set	2161113	\$21.25	100	cs	\$0.21	6	\$1.28	2	\$0.43	1	\$0.21

Average Calibration Cost Summary		Average Control Cost Summary		Reagents and Supplies Cost Summary	
Supply Cost/Calibration	\$13.50	Min Control Cost	\$4.28	Total Calibration Cost	\$2.10
Min Supply Cost/Calibration	\$0.00			Reagents, Materials, and Supplies	1.13
Total Cost/Calibration	\$13.50	Total Control Cost/Day	\$4.28	Reagent and Supply Cost/BT	\$2.44
Calibrations/Month	13	Days/Month	13	Reagent Start Up and Shut Down / BT	\$0.00
Total Calibration Cost/Month	\$176.27	Total Control Cost/Month	\$55.64	Min. Supply Cost/BT	\$0.00
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Lab Costs Database - [Full Information]

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Cost Center Number: **53057**

Methodology: **MIC/MS**

Testing Information

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- Average Number of Dilutions/Week: 6
- Maximum Number of BT Tests/Run: 10
- Average Number of Repetitions/Week: 1
- Number of PT and Parallel Tests/Month: 1
- Total BT/Year: 1000

Testing and Hands On Time

- Job Class: Calibration
- Minutes: 8
- Rate/Min: \$6,500
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- Verification Time/BT: 2
- Start Up and Shut Down Time/BT: 24
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- Lab Assistant Time/BT: 0
- Normal Time/BT: 0

Costs

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- Reagent Cost/Day: \$0.00
- Ext Reagent Cost/BT: \$0.00
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- Total Direct Cost: \$76.12
- Department Overhead: 13.00%
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Depreciation Cost

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Cost/Year: \$0.00

Total BT/Year: 1,000

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Service Contract Cost

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Assay development cost?

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- Testing and Hands On Time:** Bench Tech Time/Calibration: 8; Verification Time/RT: 2; Supervisor Average Time/RT: 0; Lab Assistant Time/RT: 0; Service Time/RT: 0.
- Costs:** Misc Supply/Calibration: \$0.00; Misc Controls: \$0.00; Misc Supply/RT Cost/RT: \$0.00; Start Up/Shutdown: \$0.00; Reagent Cost/Day: \$0.00; Labor Cost Per RT: \$19,74; Depreciation Cost: \$132,50; Service Contract Cost: \$63,113; Reagent and Supplies: \$2,44; Cat and Control Cost: \$15,49; Total Direct Cost: \$133,27; Department Overhead: 12.00%; Total Cost of Test Unit: \$149,27.
- Depreciation Cost:** Cost/Year: \$132,500.37; Total # of Tests/Year: 1,000; Cost/RT: \$132.50.
- Service Contract Cost:** Cost/Year: \$63,195.43; Total # of Tests/Year: 1,000; Cost/RT: \$63.195.

Red circles highlight the Total Cost of Test Unit (\$149.27) and the Depreciation Cost per RT (\$132.50).

Brand new tandem?

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- Testing and Hands On Time:** Bench Tech Time/Calibration: 8; Verification Time/RT: 2; Supervisor Average Time/RT: 0; Lab Assistant Time/RT: 0; Service Time/RT: 0.
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- Depreciation Cost:** Cost/Year: \$132,500.37; Total # of Tests/Year: 250; Cost/RT: \$530.00.
- Service Contract Cost:** Cost/Year: \$63,195.43; Total # of Tests/Year: 250; Cost/RT: \$252.78.

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Volume drops?

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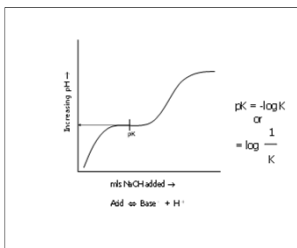
Conditions	Cost/test	Cost/year	Current cost/year	Savings /year
1000/year and fully depreciated instrument	\$85.25	\$85,250	\$150,000.	\$64,750
1000 + New instrument	\$149.27	\$149,270	\$150,000	\$730
250/year + FD	\$214.44	\$214,440	\$150,000	-\$64,400
250/year + new	\$470.50	\$470,500	\$150,000	-\$320,500
2000/year + FD	\$64.59	\$64,590	\$150,000	\$85,410
2000/year + new	\$95.73	\$95,730	\$150,000	\$54,270

Volumes increased 45%

Buffer

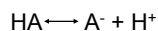
- Solution or compound that minimizes a change in $[H^+]$ (pH) when an acid or base is added.

- A solution has the greatest buffering capacity when the pH is near its pK



Equilibrium constant - K_a

- When a weak acid dissociates it forms an equilibrium between the acid form and the H^+ and base



That equilibrium can be described by a constant (K_a) as:

$$K_a = \frac{[H^+][A^-]}{[HA]}$$

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Henderson-Hasselbalch equation

$$[H^+] = K_a \frac{[HA]}{[A^-]}$$

$$-\log [H^+] = -\log K_a - \log \frac{[HA]}{[A^-]}$$

Since $pH = -\log [H^+]$ and $pK_a = -\log K_a$

$$pH = pK_a + \log \frac{[A^-]}{[HA]} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{base} \\ \text{acid} \end{array}$$

This is the **Henderson-Hasselbalch** equation

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Use in blood gases

$$\text{pH} = \text{pK} + \log \frac{[\text{HCO}_3^-]}{[\text{CO}_2]}$$

$[\text{CO}_2] = \alpha \times \text{pCO}_2$ where α = a proportionality constant = 0.03 when units are mmol/L

$$[\text{HCO}_3^-] = \text{tCO}_2 - \alpha \times \text{pCO}_2$$

$$\text{pH} = \text{pK} + \log \frac{\text{tCO}_2 - \alpha \times \text{pCO}_2}{\alpha \times \text{pCO}_2}$$

or:

$$\text{pH} = \text{pK} + \log \frac{\text{tCO}_2 - 0.03(\text{pCO}_2)}{0.03(\text{pCO}_2)}$$

If $\text{tCO}_2 = 26 \text{ mM}$ and $\text{pCO}_2 = 37.7 \text{ mm Hg}$, what is pH?

$$\text{pH} = 6.1 + \log \frac{26 - (0.03)(37.7)}{(0.03)(37.7)}$$

$$\text{pH} = 6.1 + \log \frac{26 - 1.13}{1.13}$$

$$\text{pH} = 6.1 + \log \frac{24.87}{1.13}$$

$$\text{pH} = 6.1 + \log 22.01$$

$$\text{pH} = 6.1 + 1.34 = 7.44$$

Determine pH of buffers

? pH of a solution of 2 mM acetic acid and 25 mM Na(sodium) Acetate, $\text{pK}_a = 4.74$

$$\text{pH} = 4.74 + \log \frac{25 \text{ mM}}{2 \text{ mM}}$$

$$= 4.74 + \log 12.5$$

$$= 4.74 + 1.1 = 5.84$$

Acid/Base Ratio needed to make a buffer

A phosphate buffer, pH 5.7, using dibasic and monobasic phosphates, pK = 6.7 (HPO₄⁻² / H₂PO₄⁻¹) (base/acid)

$$5.7 = 6.7 + \log \frac{[\text{HPO}_4^{-2}]}{[\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^{-1}]}$$

5.7 - 6.7 = log of the ratio

-1 = log of ratio (take antilog of both sides of equation)

0.1 = ratio = 1:10

Make a buffer

A 150 mM citrate buffer, pH 5.2; given: pK = 4.77, citric acid MW = 192.12, Na citrate MW = 215.12

$$\text{pH} = \text{pK} + \log \frac{[\text{base}]}{[\text{acid}]} \quad 5.2 = 4.77 + \log \frac{[\text{base}]}{[\text{acid}]}$$

$$0.43 = \log \frac{[\text{base}]}{[\text{acid}]}$$

2.69 = ratio of base to acid

so need: 2.69 moles/L base : 1 mole/L acid

Make a buffer

so need: 2.69 moles/L base : 1 mole/L acid = total of 3.69 moles/L

$$\frac{1 \text{ mole/L acid}}{3.69 \text{ moles/L total}} = \frac{X}{0.15 \text{ moles/L}}$$

X = 0.04 moles/L acid needed

How much base? 0.15 - 0.04 = 0.11 moles/L base

To make the buffer:

Citric acid: 192.12 g/mole X 0.04 moles/L = X g/L = 7.68 g/L

Citrate: 215.12 g/mole X 0.11 moles/L = X g/L = 23.66 g/L
