

**Question 4:** The genome of *Vibrio cholera* is 4.03 Mbp. How many genes does it contain?

$$\langle L_{\text{protein}} \rangle = 300 \text{ aa}$$

$$\langle L_{\text{gene}} \rangle \approx 1000 \text{ bp} = 300 \text{ aa} \cdot \frac{3 \text{ bp}}{\text{aa}}$$

Assume: genome is packed with genes

$$N_{\text{genes}} = \frac{L_{\text{genome}}}{L_{\text{gene}}} = \frac{4 \cdot 10^6 \text{ bp}}{10^3 \text{ bp}} = 4,000 \text{ genes}$$

**Question 3:** How Many Sugar Transporters Are Needed to Make A Bacterium?

$$\# \text{ of sugar transporters} = \frac{\frac{\text{rate of intake of sugar necessary}}{\text{cell cycle time}} \cdot \frac{\# \text{ sugars to make a cell}}{\text{transport rate of one sugar transporter}}}{\frac{1}{\text{rate of intake of an individual transporter}}}$$

Main challenge: how many sugars to make a cell?

Assume: main component is proteins

↳ calculate how many sugars to put together all proteins

What is the protein mass of E. coli?

$$\begin{array}{c} 1 \mu\text{m} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ 2 \mu\text{m} \\ \text{---} \\ \downarrow \end{array}$$

$$1 \mu\text{m} \Rightarrow V_{\text{Ecoli}} = 1 \mu\text{m}^3$$

Guided struggle:

What is the concentration of a single molecule in E. coli in molar

$$V_{\text{Ecoli}} = 1 \mu\text{m}^3 = 1 \text{ fL}$$

$$\frac{1 \text{ molec}}{1 \text{ fL}} = \frac{1 \text{ molec} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ mol}}{6 \cdot 10^{23} \text{ molec}}}{10^{-15} \text{ L}} = \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ mol}}{10^8 \text{ L}}$$

$$= 0.16 \cdot 10^{-8} \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{L}} = 10^{-9} \mu = 1 \text{ nM}$$

$$m_{\text{Ecoli}} = f_{\text{E.coli}} \cdot V_{\text{Ecoli}}$$

$$= 1 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{L}} \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ L} = 10^{-15} \text{ kg}$$

$$= 10^{-12} \text{ g} = 1 \text{ pg}$$

$$m_{\text{dry}} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot m_{\text{Ecoli}} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ pg}$$

$$m_{\text{Prot}} \approx \frac{1}{2} m_{\text{dry}} \approx \frac{1}{6} \text{ pg}$$

How many proteins is this?

$$\frac{\text{mass of prot}}{1 \text{ prot}} \approx 30 \text{ kDa}$$

$$N_{\text{Prot}} = \frac{m_{\text{Prot}}}{m_{\text{1 Prot}}} = \frac{1/6 \text{ pg}}{30 \text{ kDa}} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{30} \frac{\text{pg}}{10^3 \text{ Da}} = \frac{1}{180} \cdot 10^3 \text{ pg} \cdot \frac{1}{1 \text{ g}/6 \cdot 10^{23}}$$

$$\text{What's } 1 \text{ Da: } 1 \text{ Da} = \frac{1 \text{ g}}{\text{mole}} = \frac{1 \text{ g}}{6 \cdot 10^{23} \text{ molec}}$$

$$N_{\text{Prot}} = \frac{1}{180} \cdot 10^3 \cdot \frac{\text{pg}}{\text{g}} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{180} \cdot 10^3 \cdot \frac{10^{-12}}{10^{-30}} = 5.55555 \cdot 10^8 \text{ pg}$$

$$= \frac{1}{180} \cdot 10^3 = \frac{1}{3} \cdot 10^3 = 3 \cdot 10^6 \text{ proteins}$$

How many glucose molecules (or C atoms) are needed to make  $3 \cdot 10^6$  proteins?

5 C atoms per o-o-

$$N_{\text{aa}} = 300 \frac{\text{aa}}{\text{protein}} \cdot 3 \cdot 10^6 \text{ proteins} \approx 10^9 \text{ o.o.-}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 \cdot 10^9 \text{ C atoms to make a new cell}$$

6 C / glucose

$$\Rightarrow 10^9 \text{ glucose molecules to make a cell}$$

$$\text{rate of glucose uptake} = \frac{10^9 \text{ glucose}}{20 \text{ min} \cdot 60 \text{ s/min}} = \frac{10^9 \text{ glucose}}{12 \cdot 10^2 \text{ s}}$$

$$= 10^6 \text{ glucose/s}$$

$$N_{\text{PtsI}} = \frac{10^6 \text{ glucose/s}}{200 \text{ glucose/s}} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 10^4 = 5000$$

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