

# Biochemistry

## Proteins

### *Isoelectric Point*

Average pKa of the zwitterion:  $p_i = \frac{pKa1 + pKa2}{2}$

## Enzymes

### *Overview*

- Active site vs Induced fit model: In the former the active site matches the substrate while in the latter the substrate slightly temporarily alters the active site creating a better fit
- Co-Enzyme: Organic carrier molecules
- Enzyme cofactor is an inorganic molecule that is necessary for an enzyme to function
- Vitamins and Minerals: The former being organic and the latter being inorganic and both of which are not produced naturally and are often used as co-factors and co-enzymes

### *Catalytic Strategies*

- Acid/Base
- Covalent
- Electrostatic
- Proximity/Orientation

### *Types*

- Transferase: Transfers a functional group from A to B
- Ligase: Joins together A and B through dehydration reaction
- Oxidoreductase: Assist w/ a redox reaction
- Isomerase: Converts a molecule to one of its isomers
- Hydrolase: Breaks molecule in two parts through hydrolysis
- Lyase: Breaks molecule without using hydrolysis or redox typically using double bonds

## Enzyme Kinetics

### *Michaelis-Menten and Lineweaver Burke*

#### Values

$V_{max}$ : Fastest speed for a given Enzyme and substrate

$K_M$  is the  $[S]$  where  $\frac{1}{2}V_{max}$  is achieved

$k_{cat}$ : Turnover rate

#### Relations

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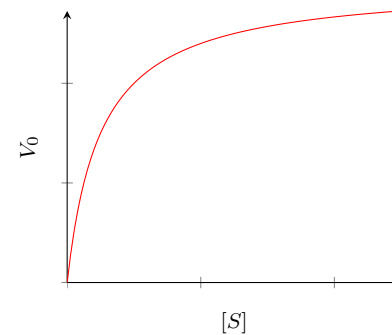
Catalytic Efficiency =  $\frac{k_{cat}}{K_M}$

$V_{max} = k_{cat}[E]$

$K_M \propto 1/\text{Substrate's affinity of an enzyme}$

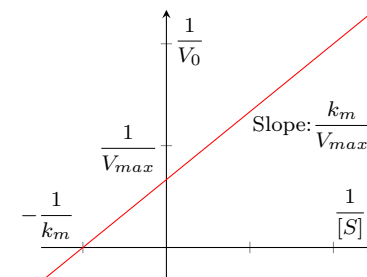
#### Michaelis-Menten

$$V_0 = \frac{V_{max}[S]}{k_m + [S]}$$

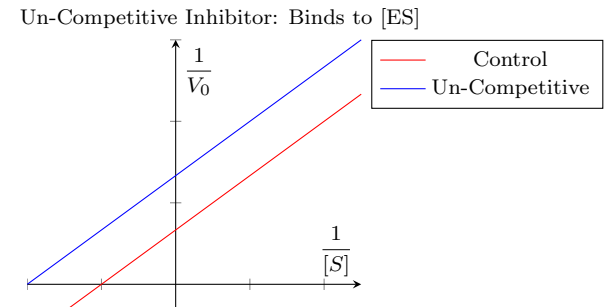
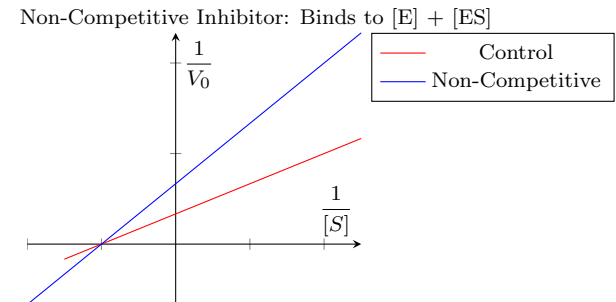
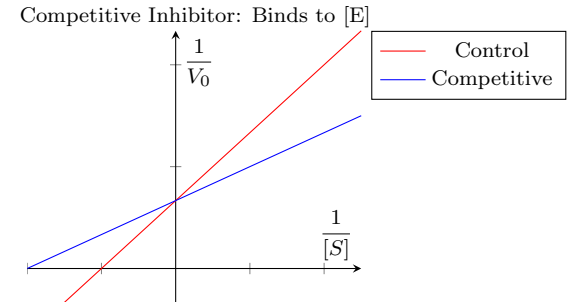


#### Lineweaver-Burk

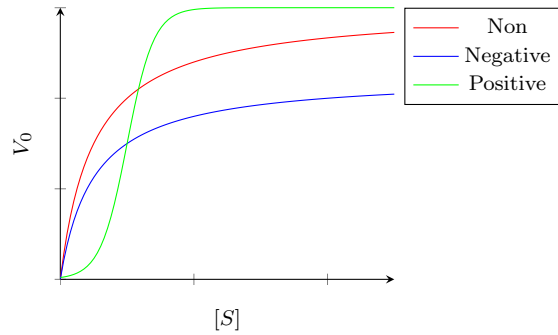
$$\frac{1}{V_0} = \frac{k_m}{V_{max}[S]} + \frac{1}{V_{max}}$$



### *Enzyme Inhibition*



### *Cooperativity*



### *Allosteric Regulation*

Activator:  $\uparrow V_{max}$  and  $\downarrow K_m$

Inhibitor:  $\downarrow V_{max}$  and  $\uparrow K_m$

Homotropic Regulator: Same as the substrate

Heterotropic Regulator: Different than the substrate

### *Enzyme Modification*

#### Types

Methylation: Adding a methyl group

Acetylation: Adding an acetyl group

Glycosylation: Adding a sugar

Suicide Inhibitors utilize covalent modification to irreversibly bind to an enzyme

#### Zymogens

- Inactive enzyme that require chemical modification
- Enzymes of this type end in -ogen
- Often used in digestive system to avoid breaking down in wrong location