# Effects of solvation structure on a large-particle diffusion

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**Purpose** 

To study the validity of the Stokes-Einstein relation when a large-hard sphere is immersed in a binary hard-sphere mixture.

Method

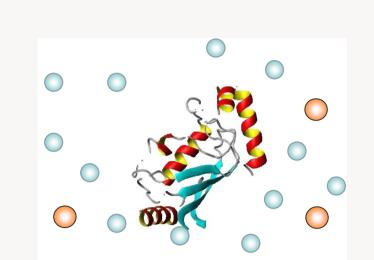
We calculate the diffusion coefficient using a perturbation theory with respect to the size ratio of the solvent and solute particles.

Result

Large deviation from the Stokes-Einstein relation is observed when mixing binary solvent spheres with the size ratio of 1:5. The deviation is caused by the high density of solvent particles around the solute due to entropic effects.

## 1. Diffusion coefficient

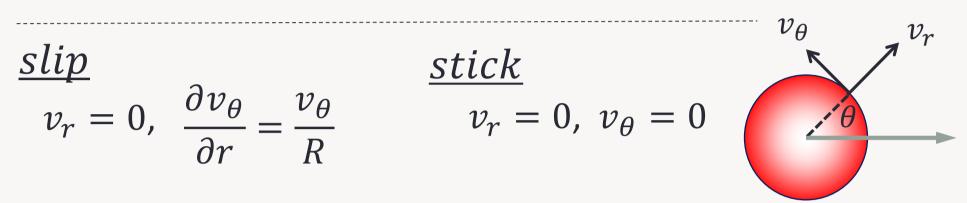
Diffusing particle:
size R ~ biomolecule



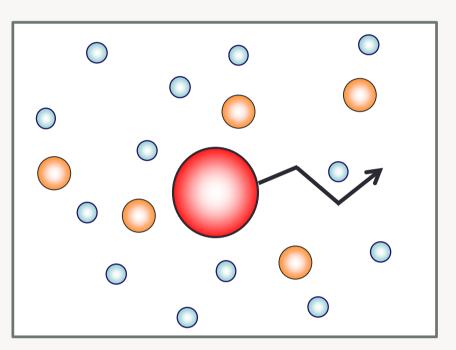
(solvent particle << R < colloidal particle)

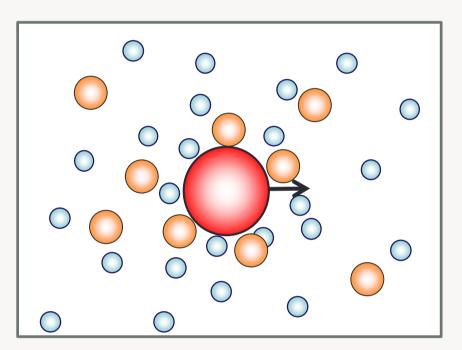
#### Stokes-Einstein relation

$$D_{SE} = rac{k_B T}{8\pi c \eta R}$$
  $\eta$ : viscosity  $R$ : solute radius  $c$ : depending on boundary condition  $1/2 \, (slip), 3/4 \, (stick)$ 



#### - The effects of solvation structure





D: Large

D: Small

The solvation effects are not included in the SE relation.

## Purpose

To study the validity of the SE relation when the solute particle is smaller than macroscopic size.

## 2. Perturbation theory

- Assuming that a solvent particle is much smaller than a solute, we expand microscopic equations.
- $\epsilon = a/R \ll 1$  ( a, R: radii of solvent and solute particles )

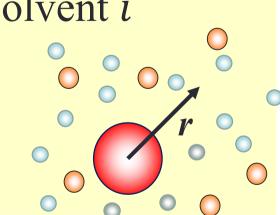
$$D = \frac{k_B T}{8\pi c \eta R} \qquad c = \frac{6 - 3\epsilon \alpha - 3\epsilon \beta}{12 - 4\epsilon \alpha + (\epsilon \beta)^2}$$

- $\checkmark \alpha$  and  $\beta$  are calculated from  $g_i(r)$ .
- Considering the solvation effect

 $g_i(r)$ : radial distribution function of solvent i

$$g_i(r) = \rho_i(r)/\rho_i$$

 $\rho_i(r)$ : equilibrium mass density field  $\rho_i$ : average mass density



- ✓ analytical expression
- Avoiding the finite-size effect

## Derivation

#### **Microscopic equations** [1]

Continuity equations  $\nabla \cdot \rho_i(r) \boldsymbol{v}_i(\boldsymbol{r}) = 0$ 

**Equations of motion** 

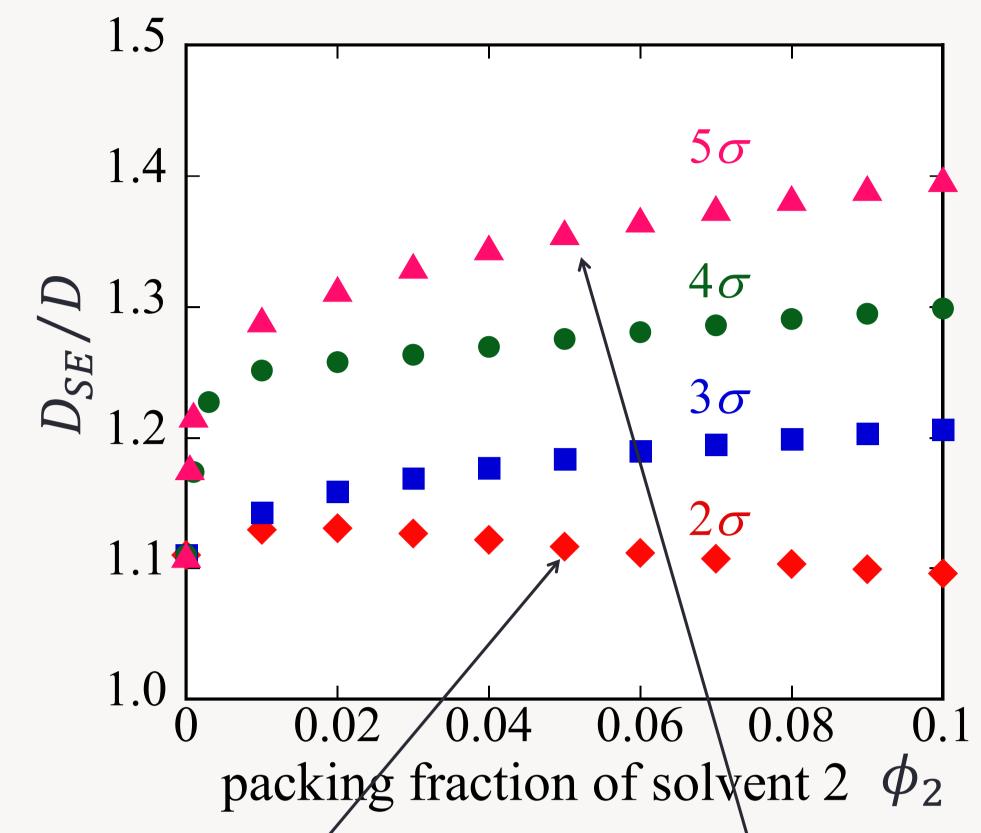
$$-\rho_{i}(r)\nabla\mu_{i}(\mathbf{r}) + \frac{\rho_{i}(r)}{\rho_{T}(r)} \left[ \eta \nabla^{2} \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r}) + \gamma \nabla (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r})) \right]$$
$$\mp L[\mathbf{v}_{1}(\mathbf{r}) - \mathbf{v}_{2}(\mathbf{r})] = \mathbf{0}$$

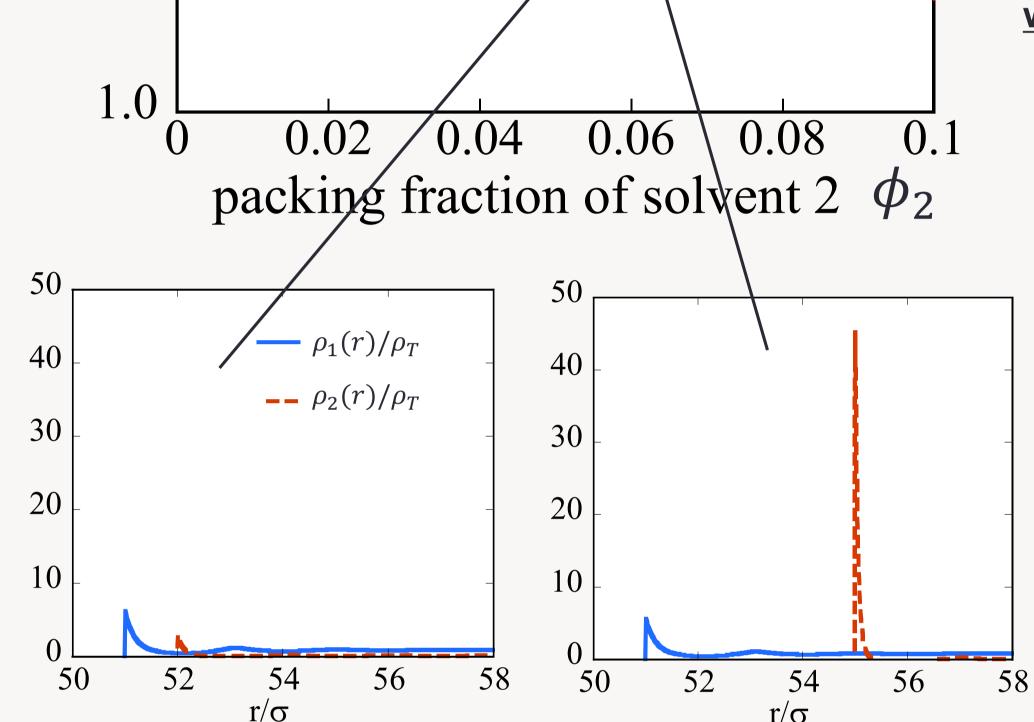
Irreversible terms are approximated by the long wavelength limit.

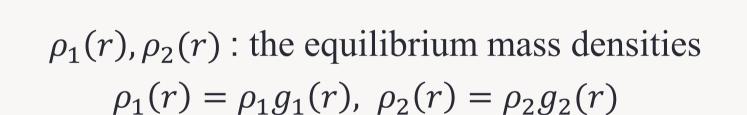
 $\boldsymbol{v_i(r)}$ : velocity,  $\mu_i(\boldsymbol{r})$ : chemical potential,  $\rho_T(r) = \rho_1(r) + \rho_2(r)$ 

- $\boldsymbol{v}(\boldsymbol{r}) = (\rho_1(r)\boldsymbol{v}_1(\boldsymbol{r}) + \rho_2(r)\boldsymbol{v}_2(\boldsymbol{r}))/\rho_T(r),$
- $\eta$ : share viscosity,  $\gamma = \zeta + \eta/3$ ,  $\zeta$ : balk viscosity
- L: the strength of the friction between solvents 1 and 2.
  - [1] T. Yamaguchi et al. J. Chem. Phys. 123, 034504 (2005)

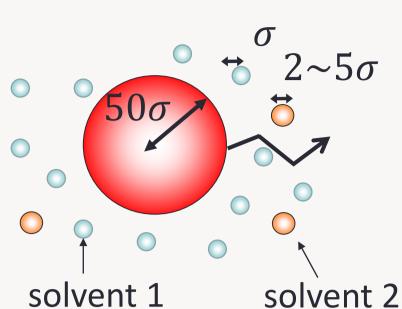
## 3. Binary hard spheres







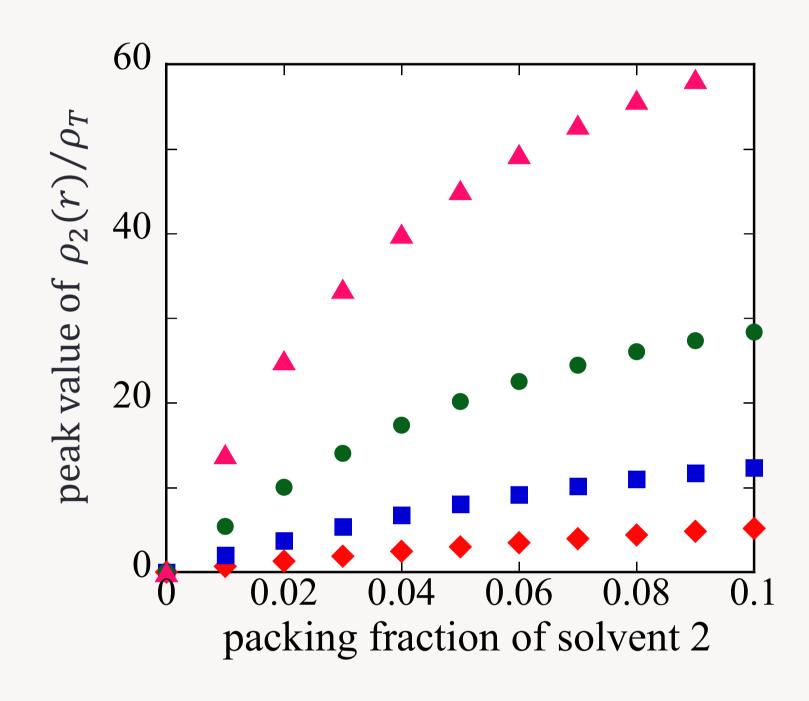
[3] We thank Professor Masahiro Kinoshita for software program used in the numerical calculations of  $g_1(r)$  and  $g_2(r)$ .



Total packing fraction of solvent mixture is 0.38.

 $D_{SE}$ : diffusion coefficient obtained by the SE relation (slip condition)

The deviation from the SE relation increases with the packing fraction of solvent 2.



The increase in the density of solvent 2 causes the large deviation from the SE relation.

## - Velocity field

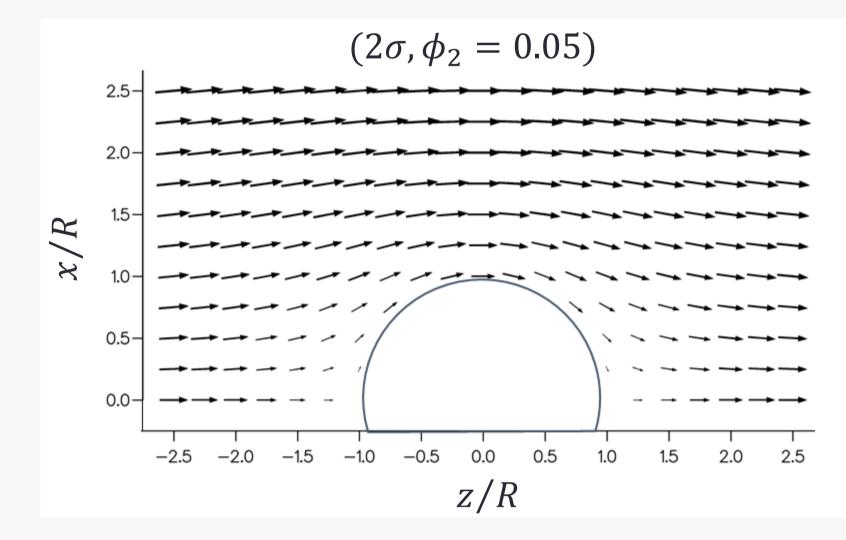
perturbation expansion

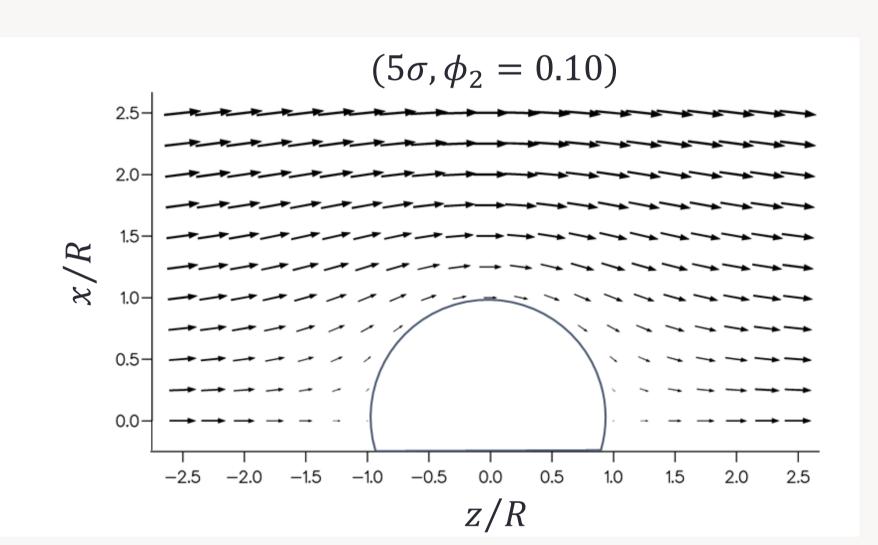
 $\epsilon = a/R \ll 1$ 

[2] Y. Nakamura et al.

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High density around the solute surface makes a solvent sticky.

## - Hydrodynamic equations

$$\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}(\boldsymbol{r}) = 0$$
,  $-\nabla P(\boldsymbol{r}) + \eta \nabla^2 \boldsymbol{v}(\boldsymbol{r}) = 0$ 

P(r): pressure

These equations are solved analytically.

## - Boundary conditions

$$v_r = -\epsilon \beta v_\theta \cot \theta, \quad \frac{\partial v_\theta}{\partial r} = \frac{1 - \epsilon \alpha}{R} v_\theta - \frac{\epsilon \beta}{2\eta} P \tan \theta$$

 $\alpha, \beta$  are calculated from  $g_i(r)$ 

$$\begin{split} &\epsilon\alpha = \frac{1}{R} \left[ \int_{R+a}^{R+b} \Delta v_1(r) dr + \int_{R+b}^{\infty} \Delta v_T(r) dr \right. \\ &- \left( 1 + \frac{\gamma}{\eta} \right) \left\{ \int_{R+a}^{R+b} \rho_1(r) \int_r^{\infty} \frac{\omega_1(r')}{\rho_1(r')} \Delta v_1(r') dr' dr + \int_{R+a}^{R+b} \rho_T(r) \int_r^{\infty} \frac{\omega_T(r')}{\rho_T(r')} \Delta v_T(r') dr' dr \right\} \\ &- \left( 1 + \frac{\gamma}{\eta} \right) \int_{R+a}^{R+b} \rho_1(r) dr \left\{ \int_r^{\infty} \frac{\omega_T(r)}{\rho_T(r)} \Delta v_T(r) dr + \Delta v_1(R+b) \left( \frac{1}{\rho_1(R+b)} - \frac{1}{\rho_T(R+b)} \right) \right\} \right] \\ &\epsilon\beta = \frac{1}{R} \int_R^{\infty} \left[ \frac{\rho_T(r)}{\rho_T} - 1 \right] dr , \ \Delta v_j(r) = \frac{2\omega_j(r)}{\rho_j(r)} \int_R^r \rho_j(r') dr' , \quad \omega_j(r) = \frac{1}{\rho_j(r)} \frac{d\rho_j(r)}{dr} \end{split}$$

a, b: radii of solvent 1 and solvent 2 particles