

AIRBORNE INFECTIOUS DISEASE

\*  $\approx 25\%$  of global deaths\* = infectious disease  
 $\approx 57$  M deaths/year. ( $\approx 60$  M/year)


\* Deaths due to viral respiratory infections (WHO)  
 $\approx 4.2$  M/year  
 $\approx 7\%$  of global burden of disease.  
 $> 25\%$  of death by infectious disease.

\* Airborne infection = major route of infectial

\* Some examples:

- Rhinovirus  $\Rightarrow$  most common viral infection in humans  
 cause of "common cold".  
 $\approx 99$  types  $\rightarrow$  differ by surface proteins.  
 $\approx 30 - 300$  nm. (viruses are small!)
- Influenza (H1N1, etc.)  $\Rightarrow$  RNA viruses (flu) *Varies by season*  
 global = 250,000 - 500,000 deaths/yr.  
 U.S.  $\approx 3,000 - 50,000$  deaths/yr.
- Measles (highly contagious)
- Severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS)  
 - severe pneumonia
- Smallpox. (effectively eradicated), but 300-500M deaths (20<sup>th</sup> century)
- Canine distemper.
- Tuberculosis ( $\neq$  virus)  $\rightarrow$  bacterial infection.  
*(horrible disease)*

\* Our goal:

- (become familiar w/ (conversant.)  $\Rightarrow$  
- Derive equations to predict probability of disease transmission
- Use  $CO_2$  to estimate re-breathed fraction.
- Derive method to predict critical re-breathed fraction.  
 (allows estimator of minimum acceptable ventilation rate).

DERIVATION OF WELLS-RILEY EQUATION

$P = \frac{D}{S}$  = probability that a susceptible individual becomes infected.

- $D$  = # of disease cases
- $S$  = # of susceptible individuals. (those not already w/ disease.)

$P = 1 - e^{-\bar{\mu}}$  (Poisson distribution)

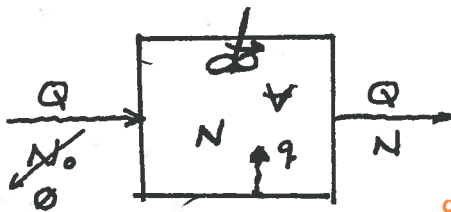
$\bar{\mu}$  = average # of "quanta" breathed by a susceptible person (obviously makes probability of infection go up)  
 As  $\bar{\mu}$  gets large  $P \rightarrow 1$

quantum = # of infectious droplet nuclei necessary to initiate infection, based on assumption that infection requires at least one organism.

- \* strong function of type of infectious agent
- \* Highly infectious, e.g., measles, = high quantum generation rate.

$\bar{\mu} = P_b t \bar{N}$  }  $P_b$  = breathing rate (what we called  $Q_B$ )  
 $t$  = total time of exposure.  
 $\bar{N}$  = average quantum "concentration" (quanta/ $m^3$ )

Begin "quanta" balance (like mass balance)



Assumptions:

- \* Air space well mixed. Important
  - \* Air exchange rate  $\gg$ 
    - loss of agent viability
    - loss by filtration
    - loss by settling/deposition.
- OR all rolled into estimate for q.*

variables:

- \*  $Q$  = ventilation rate ( $m^3/hr$ )
  - \*  $V$  = volume of occupied space ( $m^3$ )
  - \*  $q$  = quantum generation rate by infected person (quanta/hr)
  - \*  $N$  = quantum concentration (quanta/ $m^3$ )
  - \*  $q$  = generation rate of infectious doses (not organisms or particles!!)
- $q$  = "infectious source strength".

Mass balance on well-mixed Air space:

$$\underbrace{V \frac{dN}{d\theta}}_{\text{accumulation}} = \underbrace{Iq}_{\text{emission}} - \underbrace{N\Phi}_{\text{loss (only air exchange)}}$$

$\theta = \text{time}$   
 $= 0$  when building is occupied.  
 $(\text{zero})$   
 $I = \# \text{ infected individuals}$

$$\frac{dN}{Iq - N\Phi} = \frac{1}{V} d\theta \quad \therefore \int_0^N \frac{dN}{Iq - N\Phi} = \frac{1}{V} \int_0^\theta d\theta$$

Let  $x = Iq - N\Phi$ .

$$\therefore \frac{dx}{dN} = -\Phi \quad \therefore dN = -\frac{1}{\Phi} dx \quad \therefore$$

$$\frac{1}{\Phi} \int \frac{dx}{x} = \frac{\theta}{V} \quad \therefore \int \frac{dx}{x} = -\frac{\Phi}{V} \theta$$

$$\ln \left\{ \frac{Iq - N\Phi}{Iq - N(t=0)\Phi} \right\} = -\lambda \theta \quad \therefore \ln \left\{ 1 - \frac{N\Phi}{Iq} \right\} = -\lambda \theta$$

$$\left\{ 1 - \frac{N\Phi}{Iq} \right\} = e^{-\lambda \theta} \quad \therefore 1 - e^{-\lambda \theta} = \frac{N\Phi}{Iq}$$

$$\therefore N = \frac{Iq}{\Phi} \left\{ 1 - e^{-\lambda \theta} \right\}$$

Now - calculate average quantum concentration from 0 to  $\theta$ .

$$\bar{N} = \frac{1}{\theta} \int_0^\theta N d\theta = \frac{1}{\theta} \int_0^\theta \frac{Iq}{\Phi} (1 - e^{-\lambda \theta}) d\theta$$

$$\bar{N} = \frac{Iq}{\theta \Phi} \int_0^\theta (1 - e^{-\lambda \theta}) d\theta = \frac{Iq}{\theta \Phi} \left\{ \int_0^\theta d\theta - \int_0^\theta e^{-\lambda \theta} d\theta \right\}$$

$$\bar{N} = \frac{Iq}{\theta \Phi} \left\{ \theta - \frac{1}{\lambda} (1 - e^{-\lambda \theta}) \right\}$$

$$\bar{N} = \frac{Iq}{\Phi} \left\{ 1 - \frac{1}{\lambda \theta} (1 - e^{-\lambda \theta}) \right\}$$

(make sense?)

Steady-state?  
 $\lambda \theta$  large.

$\bar{N} = \frac{Iq}{\Phi}$

As  $I$  or  $q$  up or  $\Phi$  down the "infectivity" of air increases!

substituting  $\bar{N} \rightarrow \bar{\mu}$  yields:

$$\bar{\mu} = P_b t \bar{N} = P_b t \frac{I q}{Q} \left\{ 1 - \frac{1}{\lambda \theta} (1 - e^{-\lambda \theta}) \right\}$$

Recall:  $P = \frac{D}{S} = 1 - e^{-\bar{\mu}}$  quanta/hr generation rate.

$$\therefore P = 1 - \exp \left\{ -\frac{I q P_b t}{Q} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\lambda \theta} [1 - \exp(-\lambda \theta)] \right) \right\}$$

\* Dynamic Wells-Riley Equation: (Classic model)

when  $\lambda \theta$  becomes large

$$P = 1 - \exp \left\{ \frac{-I q P_b t}{Q} \right\}$$

steady-state Wells-Riley Equation.

Note effect of individual factors -

\*  $P = \frac{D}{S}$  = probability of infection for susceptibles.

- $D$  = # of disease cases
- $S$  = # of susceptibles =  $n - I$
- $n$  = # of people
- $I$  = # of infectors.

\* Requirements:  $I, q, P_b, t, Q$ . }

- steady-state
- well-mixed.
- no other losses but air exchange. (or lumped into  $q$ )

\*  $q$ : from epidemiology data & back-calculation:

SOME VALUES of  $q$ . (quanta/hour) } Best-fit parameter to model w/ outbreaks in well-characterized environment

\* Rhinovirus-16 ~ 1-10/hr.

\* Pulmonary tuberculosis ~ 1-10/hr.

\* Influenza ~ 100/hr. (order of).  $\bar{X} = 67/hr$  (Liao et al.)

\* Measles ~ 570/hr. (highly infectious)

\* SARS ~ 29/hr. (Liao et al.)

Flu: 20  
5-100 x  
Cold

# RUDNICK - MILTON EQUATION

Alternative to Wells-Riley equation  
New commonly used.

- \* Get to P with CO<sub>2</sub> measurement.
- \* NO need for Q.!!!
- \* NO need for steady-state. } significant advantage.

## Rebreathed Fraction: (well-mixed air space)

\*  $(C - C_o) V$  = total volume of CO<sub>2</sub> generated by indoor sources. (assumes people)

Vol. fraction CO<sub>2</sub> ( $C = \text{indoor}$ ,  $C_o = \text{outdoor}$ )

V = total volume of indoor space. (m<sup>3</sup>)

\*  $C_a V_e$  = volume of CO<sub>2</sub> from occupants.

$C_a$  = vol fraction of CO<sub>2</sub> added to exhaled breath by occupants. (volume fraction of CO<sub>2</sub> on breath)

$V_e$  = equivalent vol. of exhaled breath contained in indoor air. (m<sup>3</sup>)

$C_a V_e = (C - C_o) V$  } assuming only indoor sources = humans.

f = fraction of indoor air that is exhaled breath = rebreathed fraction. f up as C ↑

\*  $f = \frac{V_e}{V} = \frac{C - C_o}{C_a}$  } Easily measured parameters!  
 NOTE:  $f = \frac{V_e}{V} = \frac{P/B}{Q} = \text{s-s PIF!!!} = \frac{\sum O_b}{Q}$

Example:  $C - C_o = 700 \text{ ppm} = 700 \times 10^{-6}$  (ASHRAE).  
 $C_a = 38,000 \text{ ppm} = 0.038$  vol. fraction.

$f = \frac{700 \times 10^{-6}}{0.038} = \frac{7.0 \times 10^{-4}}{0.038} = 0.018 = 1.8\%$

vegetarian!

ASHRAE 62.1-2013 generally says that this is "acceptable"

$\bar{f}$  = average fraction of indoor air that is exhaled breath. Over total exposure period  $t$ .

$$\bar{f} = \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t f dt$$

} can integrate if measure indoor CO<sub>2</sub> during exposure period  $t$ .

$$f = \frac{C - C_0}{C_a}$$

Derivation of Rudnick-Milton Probabilistic Infection Equation:

\* Let  $\beta$  = volume fraction of air in space that was exhaled by infectious persons (infectors)

$$\beta = f \frac{I}{n}$$

$$\frac{V_e}{V}$$

}  $I$  = # of infectors.  
 $n$  = # of people in the space.

\* Let  $q/p_b$  = concentration of quanta in exhaled breath of infectors (quanta/m<sup>3</sup>)

- $q$  = quanta/sec. (quanta emission rate)
- $p_b$  = m<sup>3</sup>/sec

} Like  $\frac{E}{Q} = C$

\*  $N$  = quantum concentration in the ventilated space. (quanta/m<sup>3</sup>)

$$N = \beta \left\{ \frac{q}{p_b} \right\} = \frac{f I q}{n p_b}$$

$\bar{N}$  = average quantum concentration over total exposure period  $t$ .

$$\bar{N} = \frac{\bar{f} I q}{n p_b}$$



\* Let  $\bar{\mu}$  = average # of quanta breathed by a susceptible person.

$$\bar{\mu} = \underbrace{p}_{\frac{m^3}{s}} \underbrace{t}_s \underbrace{\bar{N}}_{\frac{\text{quanta}}{m^3}}$$

= quanta } Taken as dimensionless

\*  $P = 1 - e^{-\bar{\mu}}$  } probability that a susceptible person becomes infected.

$\therefore P = 1 - \exp(-p t \bar{N})$  but  $\bar{N} = \frac{\bar{f} I q}{n P}$

$= 1 - \exp(-p t \frac{\bar{f} I q}{n P}) = \frac{D}{S} = \frac{\# \text{ of disease cases}}{\# \text{ of "susceptibles"}}$

\*  $P = 1 - \exp\left(-\frac{\bar{f} I q t}{n}\right)$

Rudnicki - Mitten equation.

• discuss

IMPORTANT

- \* ~~Assumes well-mixed space (not near-field)~~ \* Important
- \* Valid for both steady-state & non-steady state !!!
- \* Valid even if Q varies with time (Q = ventilation rate)
- \* q often determined from back-calculation of values recorded from Care studies.
- know D, S, (or P), I,  $\bar{f}$ , t, n  $\rightarrow$  get q.

Can estimate if do not have measured CO<sub>2</sub>. How?

- \* Aircraft
- \* schools
- \* prisons
- \* etc.

## Reproductive Number in shared Indoor space.

$R_0$  = Basic reproductive number = # of secondary infections that arise when a single infectious case is introduced into a population where everyone is susceptible.

$R_0 > 1 \Rightarrow$  agent spreads in population.

Larger  $R_0$  = more likely an epidemic occurs.

\* Let  $R_{A0}$  = reproductive number for an infectious disease in a building environment.

\* Rudnick-Milton Equation:  $P = 1 - \exp\left(\frac{-\bar{f} I q t}{n}\right) = \frac{D}{S}$

- Let  $I = 1$  (single infectious case)

-  $S = \#$  susceptibles =  $n - 1$

$$\therefore \frac{D}{S} = \frac{D}{n-1} = 1 - \exp\left(\frac{-\bar{f} q t}{n}\right)$$

$$\therefore D = R_{A0} = (n-1) \left\{ 1 - \exp\left(\frac{-\bar{f} q t}{n}\right) \right\}$$

Want  $< 1$  !!  
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## CRITICAL RE-BREATHED FRACTION. ( $\bar{f}_c$ )

\* would like  $\bar{f}_c$  so that  $R_{A0} < 1$ .

\* set  $R_{A0} = 1$  and solve for  $\bar{f}$  ( $= \bar{f}_c$ )





## SUMMARY OF KEY EQUATIONS

$$P = \frac{D}{S} = 1 - e^{-\bar{\mu}} \quad \bar{\mu} = p_b t \bar{N}$$

$$P = 1 - \exp \left\{ -\frac{I q R t}{Q} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\lambda \theta} [1 - \exp(-\lambda \theta)] \right) \right\}$$

Wells-Riley Equations

$$P = 1 - \exp \left\{ -\frac{I q R t}{Q} \right\} \quad \text{Requires } Q.$$

$$f = \frac{V_c}{V} = \frac{C - C_0}{C_a} \quad (\text{Re-breathed fraction})$$

$$P = 1 - \exp \left( -\frac{\bar{f} I q t}{n} \right) \quad \text{Requires } \bar{f} \quad \text{Rudnick-Milton Equation.}$$

$$D = R_{A0} = (n-1) \left\{ 1 - \exp \left( -\frac{\bar{f} q t}{n} \right) \right\} \quad \text{Reproductive \# in a building environment}$$

$$\bar{f}_c = \frac{1}{q t} \ln \left\{ \frac{n-1}{n-2} \right\}^n \quad \text{Critical re-breathed fraction (to keep } R_{A0} < 1)$$

### Values of $q$ (quanta/hr)

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