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1. Walden's Rule :

Considering an ion in a solⁿ. Say, a +ve ion of charge 'e' which may be termed as central ion. Let 'E' be the intensity of an external electric field which directs the ion to move in the direction of x axis. There are four different forces which may play on the given ion. (Debye-Huckel-Onsager theory). One of such force may be interpreted as -

As the ion moves forward, there is a frictional force which retards its motion, this is viscous force. If the velocity of the ion be v in the x direction and the medium is assumed to be at rest, the frictional force would be

$$f = -Kv$$
$$\Rightarrow f = -6\pi\eta r v \quad (\text{By Stoke's law})$$

Where, η \rightarrow viscosity of the medium
 r \rightarrow radius of the ion

This leads to — frictional force would be counterbalanced by the electrical force \rightarrow hence —

$$6\pi r \eta v (\times 300) = E e$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{hence mobility of the ion} &= \frac{v}{E} \\ &= \frac{e}{6\pi r \eta \times 300} \\ &= \frac{K_1}{r \eta} \end{aligned}$$

Then the equivalent conductance of the cell —

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_0 &= (l_c - l_a) \\ &= F(u + v) \\ &= \frac{K_1 F}{\eta} \left[\frac{1}{r_c} + \frac{1}{r_a} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_0 \eta = \text{constant (for a specific electrolyte)}$$

This is Walden Rule. #