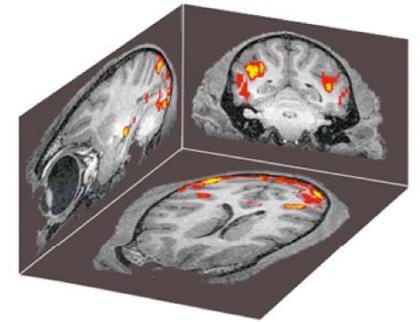
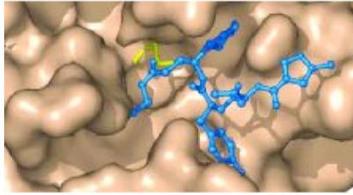


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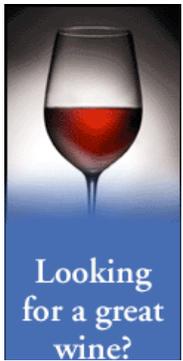
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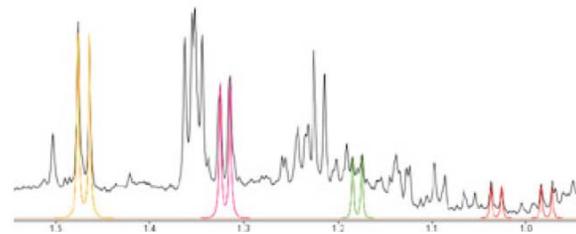
Drug design



MRI



Food quality



Metabonomics



Structural biology

NMR Spectroscopy

Basic Principles

N.M.R. = Nuclear Magnetic Resonance

Spectroscopic technique, thus relies on the interaction between **material** and **electromagnetic** radiation

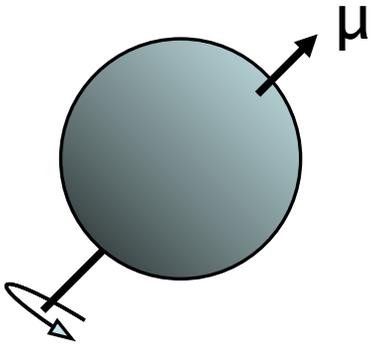
The nuclei of all atoms possess a nuclear quantum number, **I**. ($I \geq 0$, always multiples of $1/2$.)

Only nuclei with spin number (I) > 0 can absorb/emit electromagnetic radiation.

Even atomic mass & number: $I = 0$ (^{12}C , ^{16}O)

Even atomic mass & odd number: $I = \text{whole integer}$ (^{14}N , ^2H , ^{10}B)

Odd atomic mass: $I = \text{half integer}$ (^1H , ^{13}C , ^{15}N , ^{31}P)



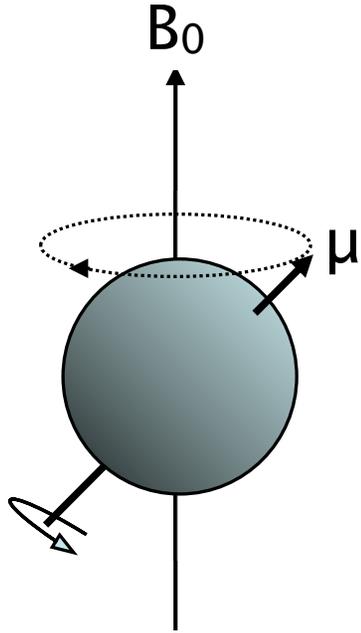
The spinning nuclei possess angular momentum, P , and charge, and so an associated magnetic moment, μ .

$$\mu = \gamma \times P$$

Where γ is the gyromagnetic ratio

NMR Spectroscopy

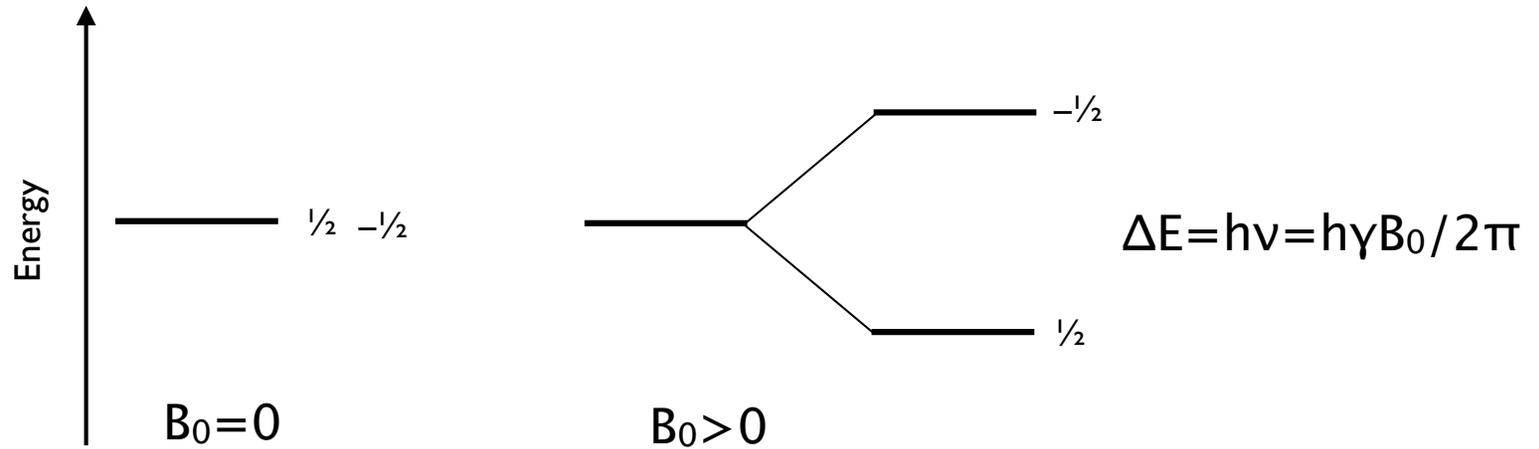
Basic Principles



The spin states of the nucleus are quantized:

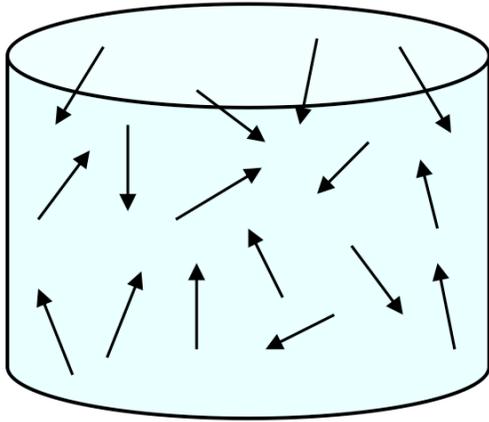
$$I, (I - 1), (I - 2), \dots, -I$$

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \text{ (e.g. } ^1\text{H)}$$

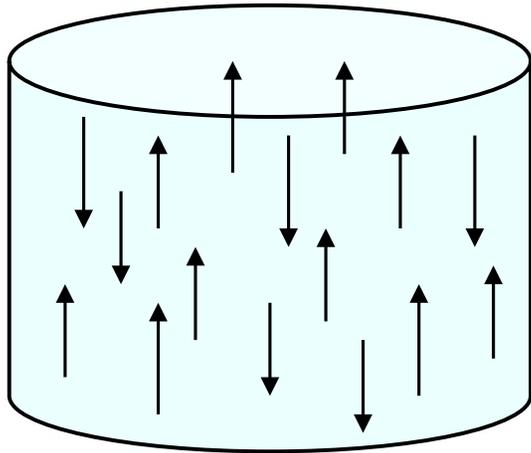


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Basic Principles



In the ground state all nuclear spins are disordered, and there is no energy difference between them. They are **degenerate**.



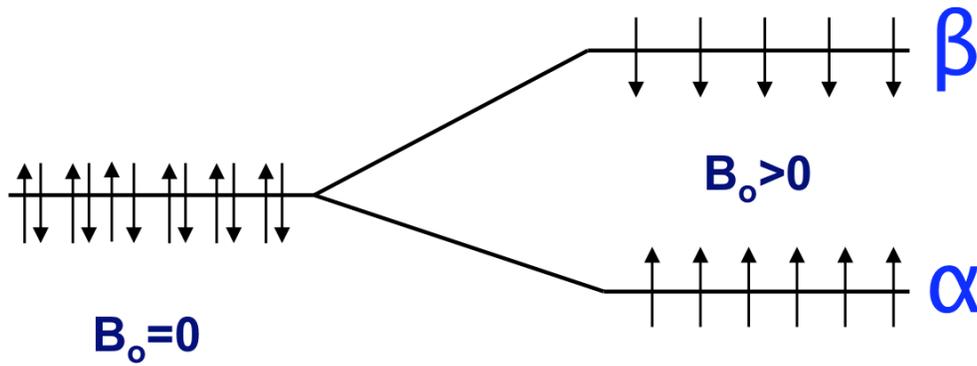
B₀

Since they have a magnetic moment, when we apply a strong external magnetic field (**B₀**), they orient either against or with it:

There is always a small excess of nuclei (**population excess**) aligned with the field than pointing against it.

NMR Spectroscopy

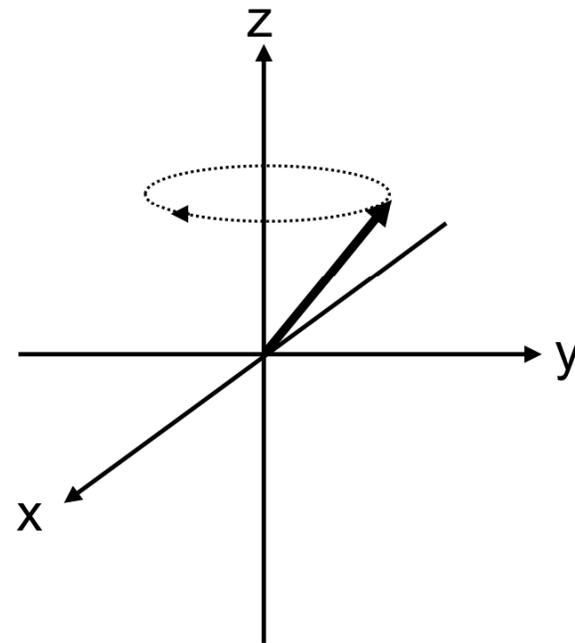
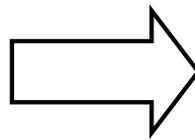
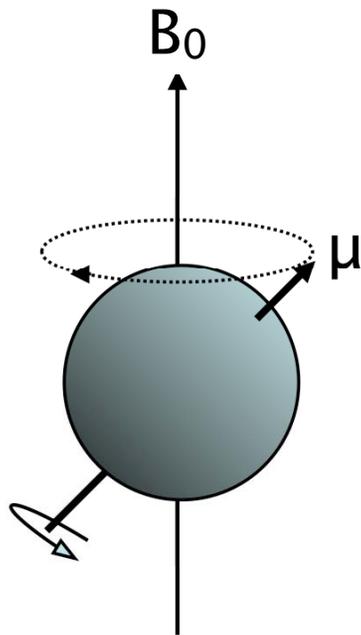
Basic Principles



$$\Delta E = h\nu_0 = h\gamma B_0 / 2\pi$$

ν_0 is the Larmor Frequency

$\omega_0 = \gamma B_0$, angular velocity



NMR Spectroscopy

Basic Principles

Each level has a different **population (N)**, and the difference between the two is related to the energy difference by the **Boltzmann** distribution:

$$N_{\alpha}/N_{\beta} = e^{\Delta E/kT}$$

ΔE for ^1H at 400 MHz ($B_0 = 9.5 \text{ T}$) is $3.8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ Kcal/mol}$

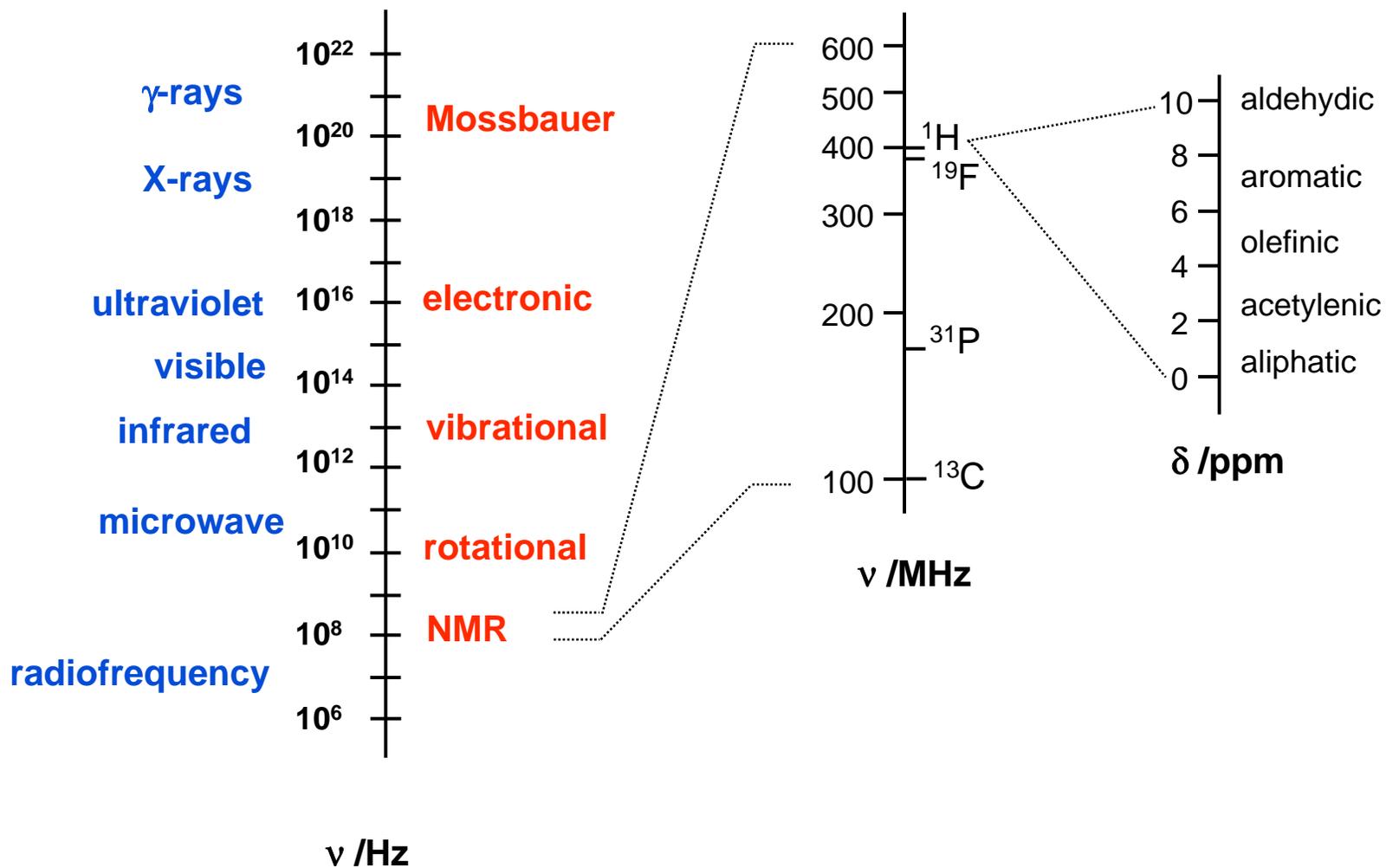
$$N_{\alpha}/N_{\beta} = 1.000064$$

The surplus population is small (especially when compared to UV or IR).

That renders NMR a rather insensitive technique!

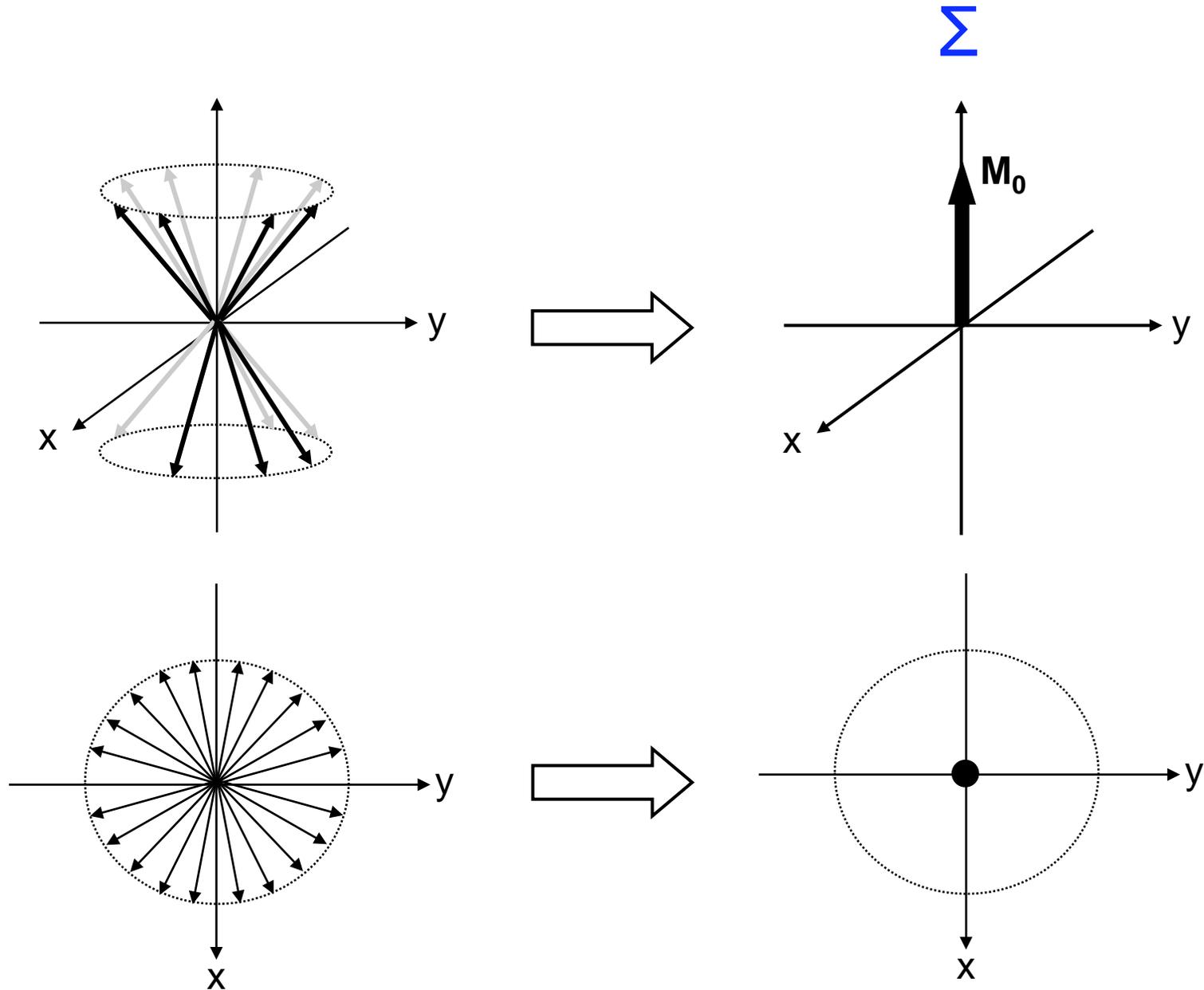
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The electromagnetic spectrum



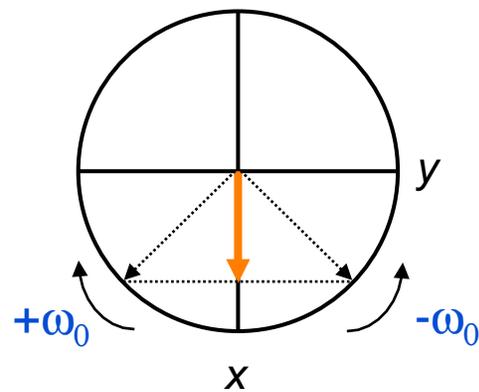
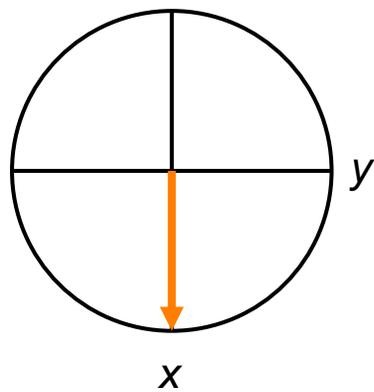
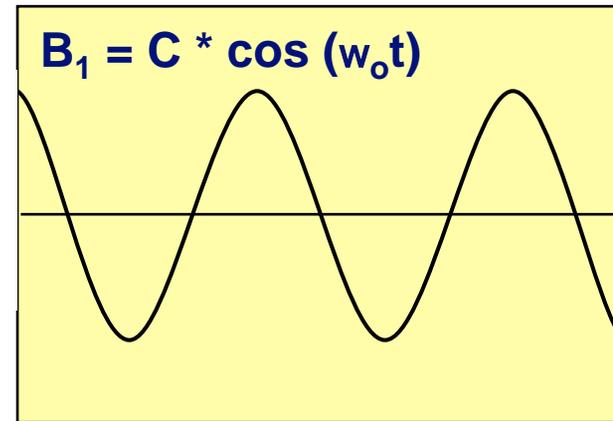
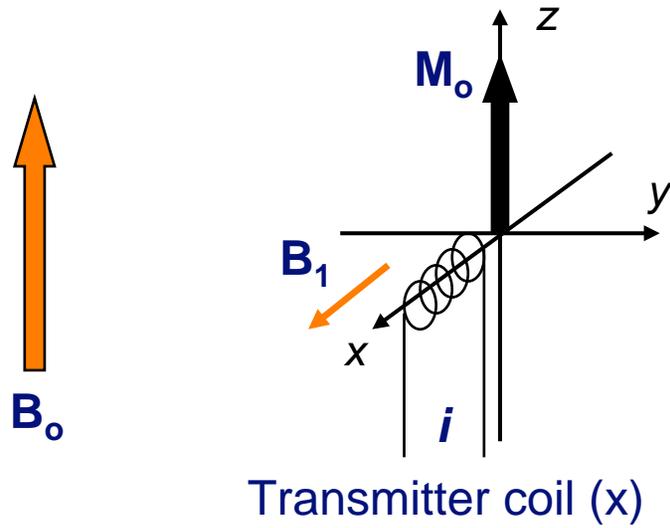
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The Vector Model



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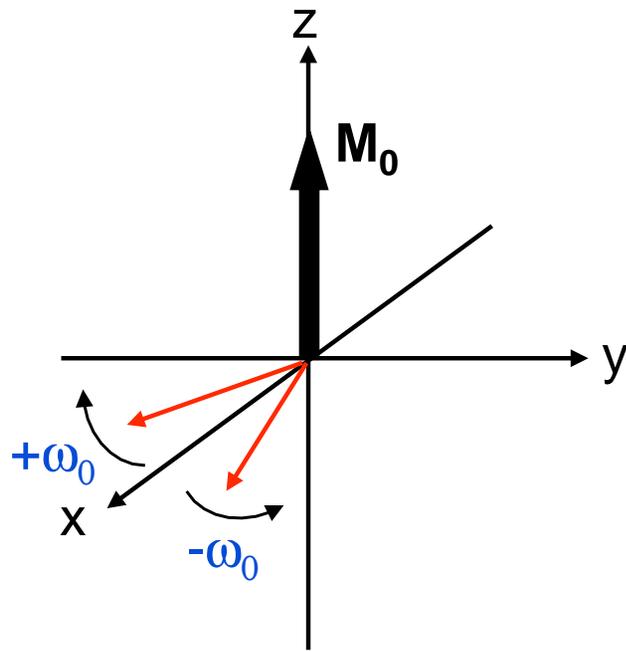
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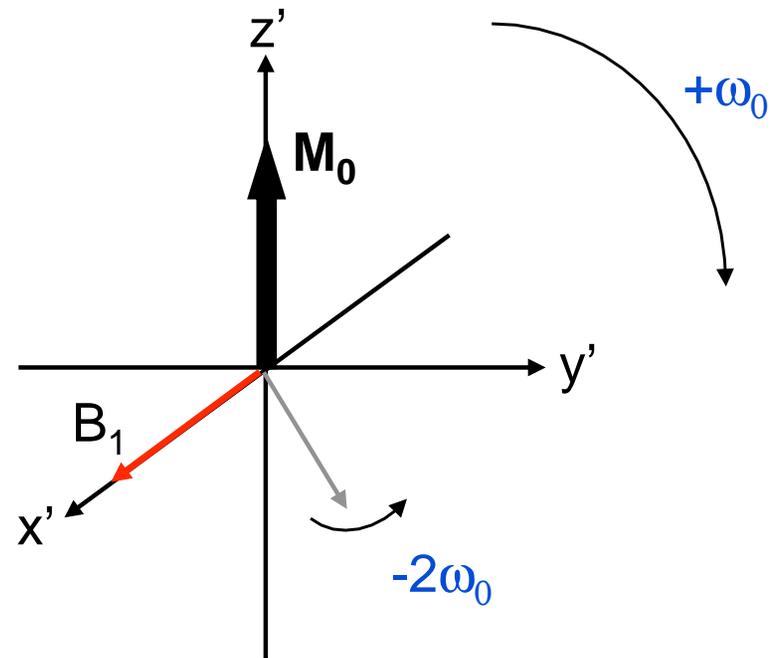
B_1 is an oscillating magnetic field

NMR Spectroscopy

Laboratory vs. Rotating frame



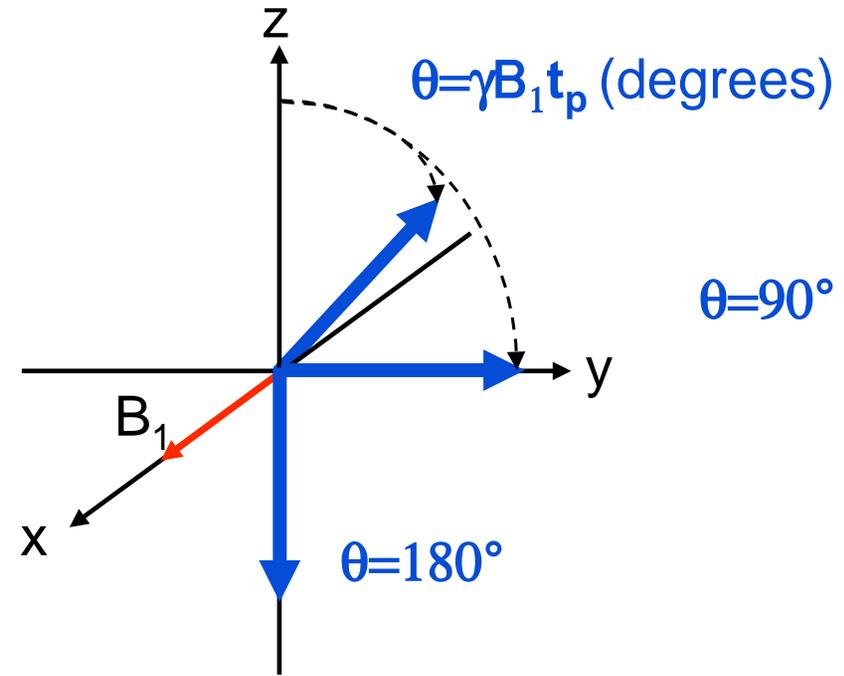
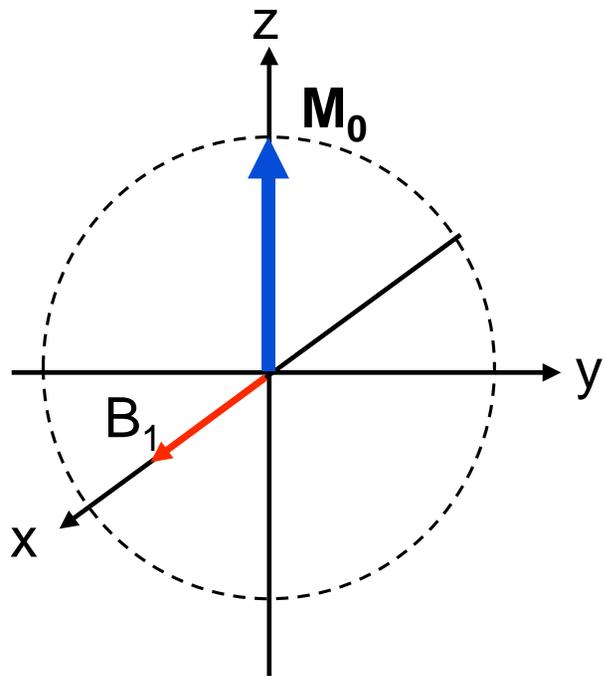
Laboratory frame



Rotating frame

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Effect on an *rf* pulse

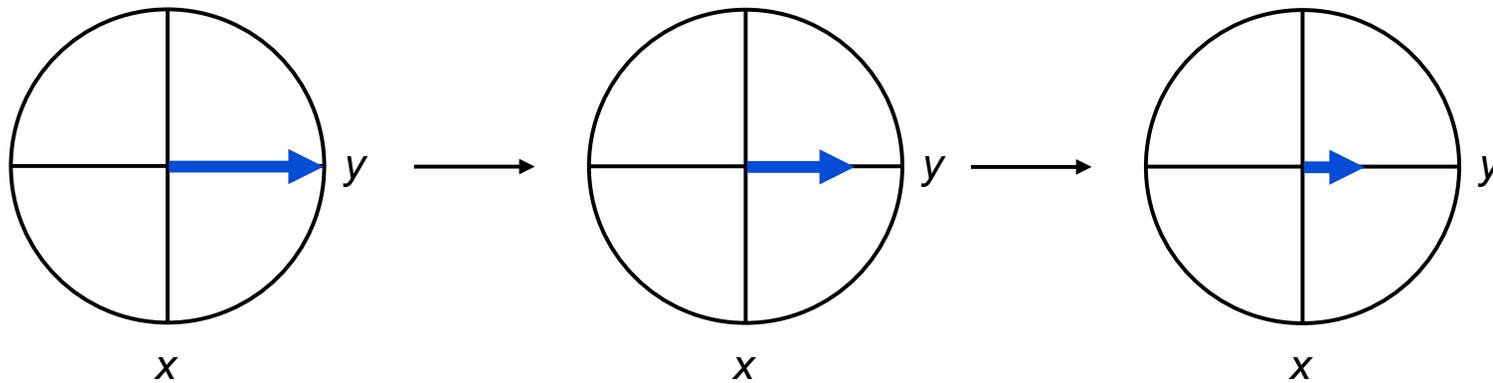
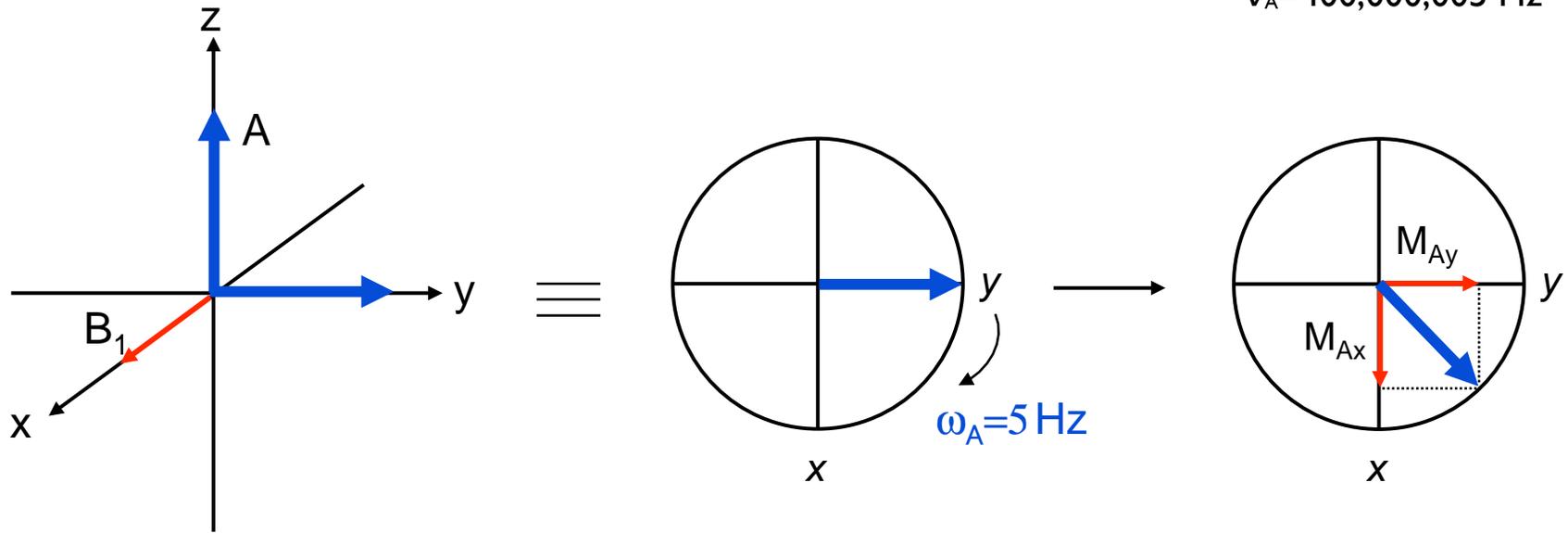


NMR Spectroscopy

Magnetization properties

$\nu_H = 400,000,000$ Hz

$\nu_A = 400,000,005$ Hz

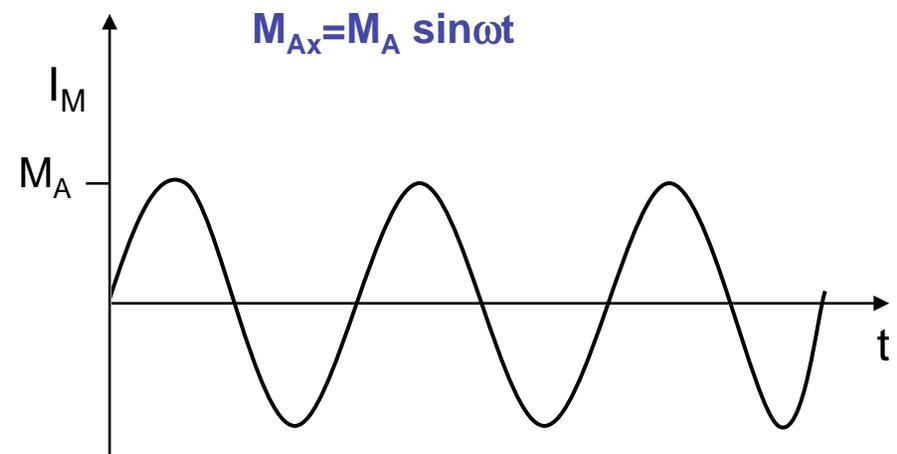
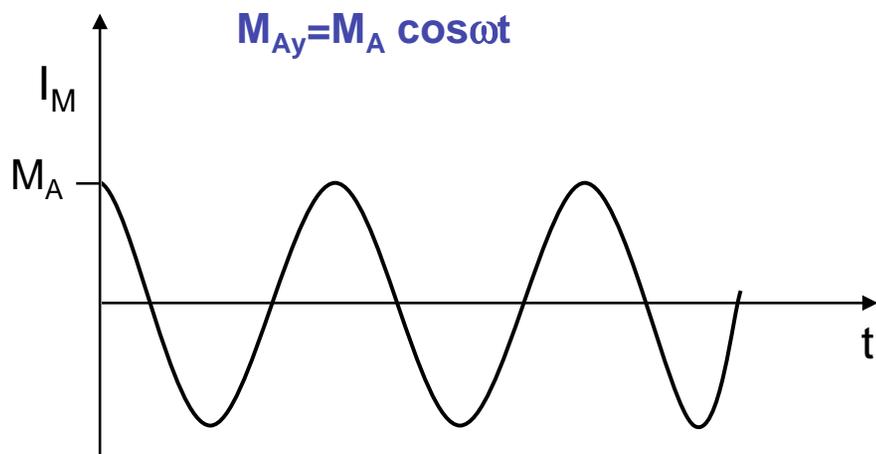
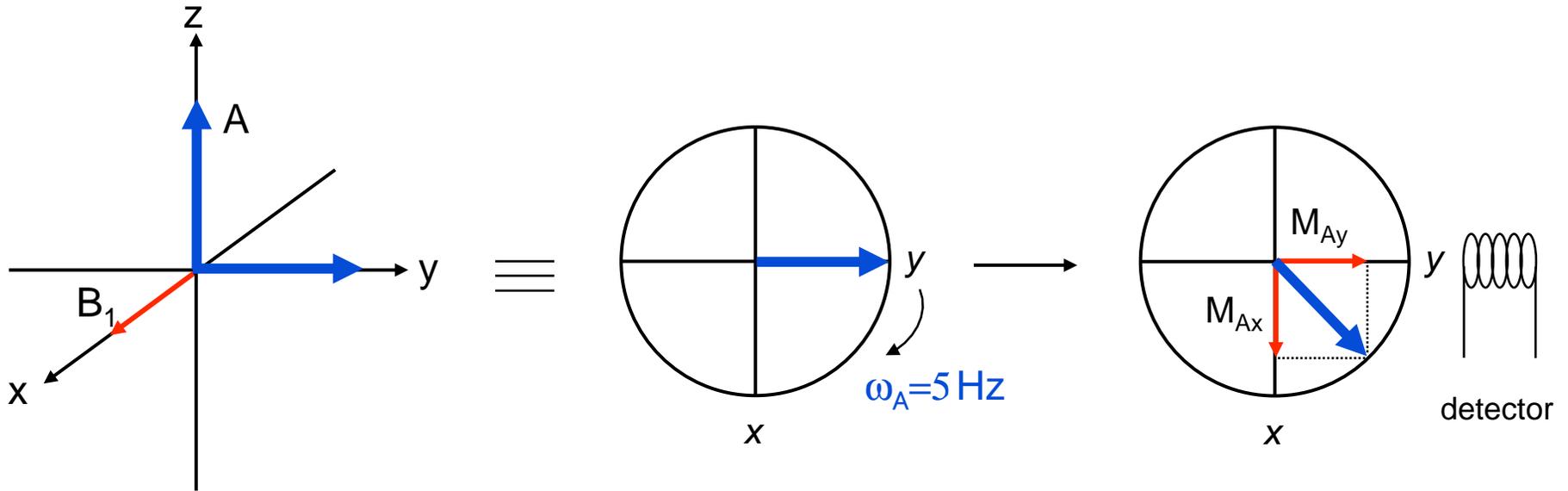


NMR Spectroscopy

Magnetization properties

$$\nu_H = 400,000,000 \text{ Hz}$$

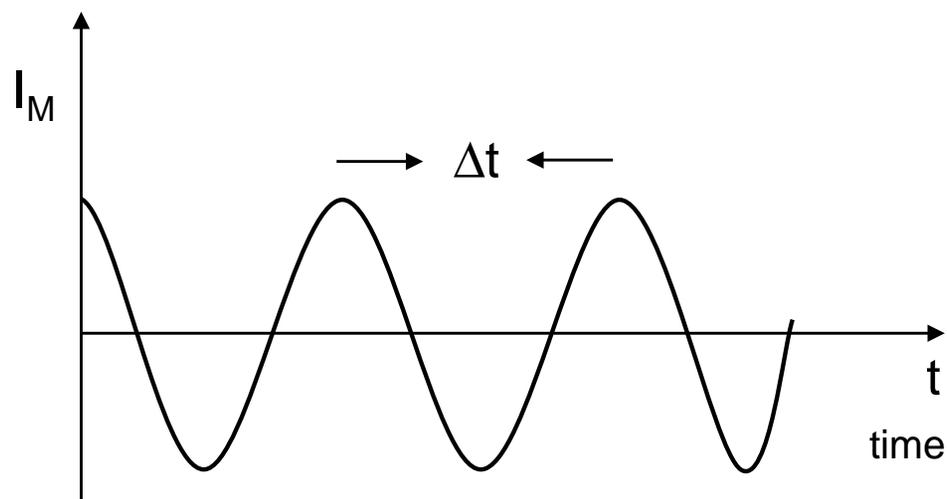
$$\nu_A = 400,000,005 \text{ Hz}$$



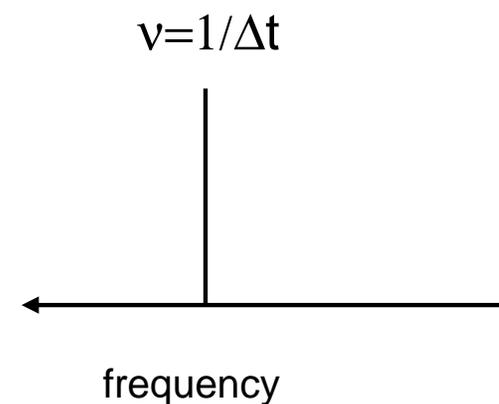
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The Fourier Transform

time domain $\xrightarrow{\text{FT}}$ frequency domain

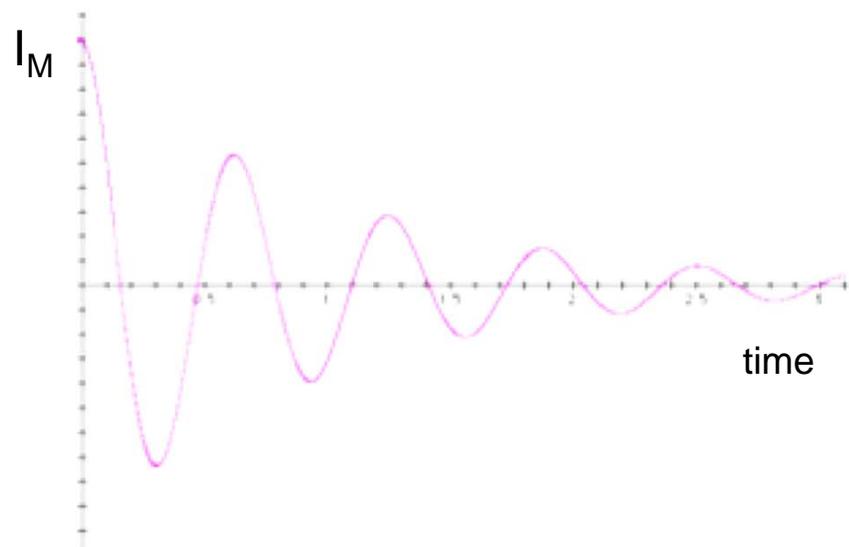


$\xrightarrow{\text{FT}}$

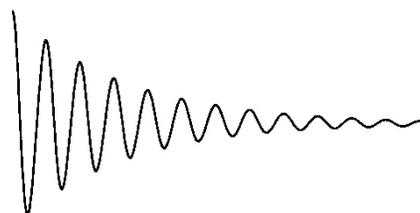
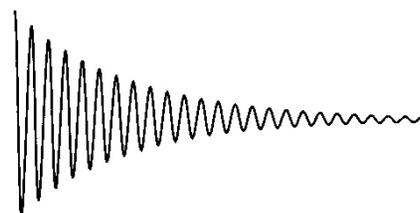


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The Fourier Transform



Signal Induction Decay (FID)



time →

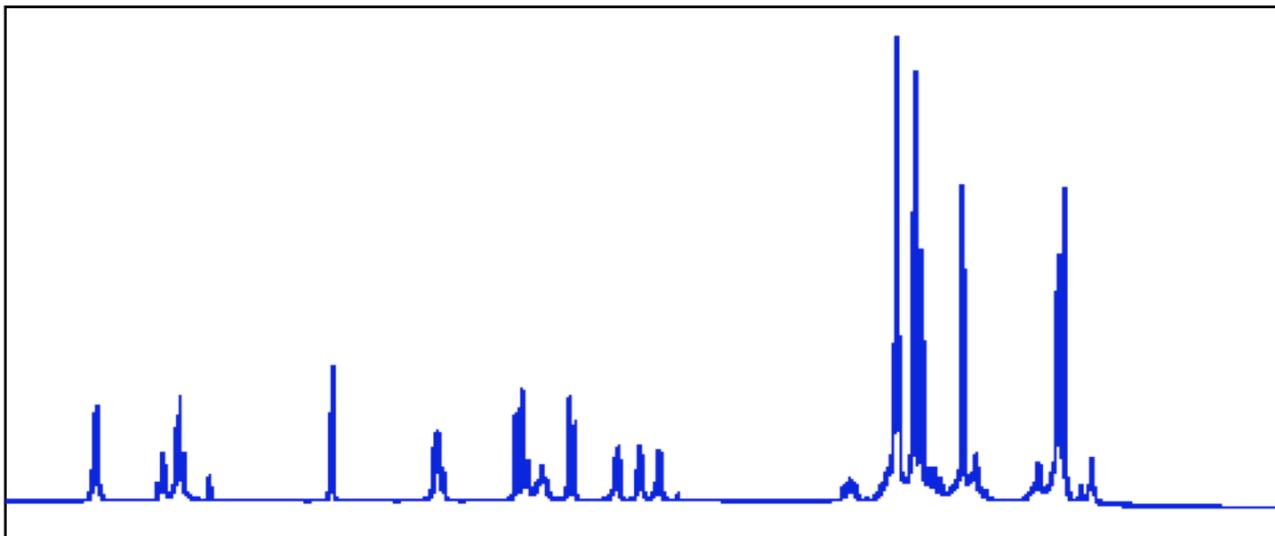
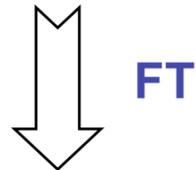
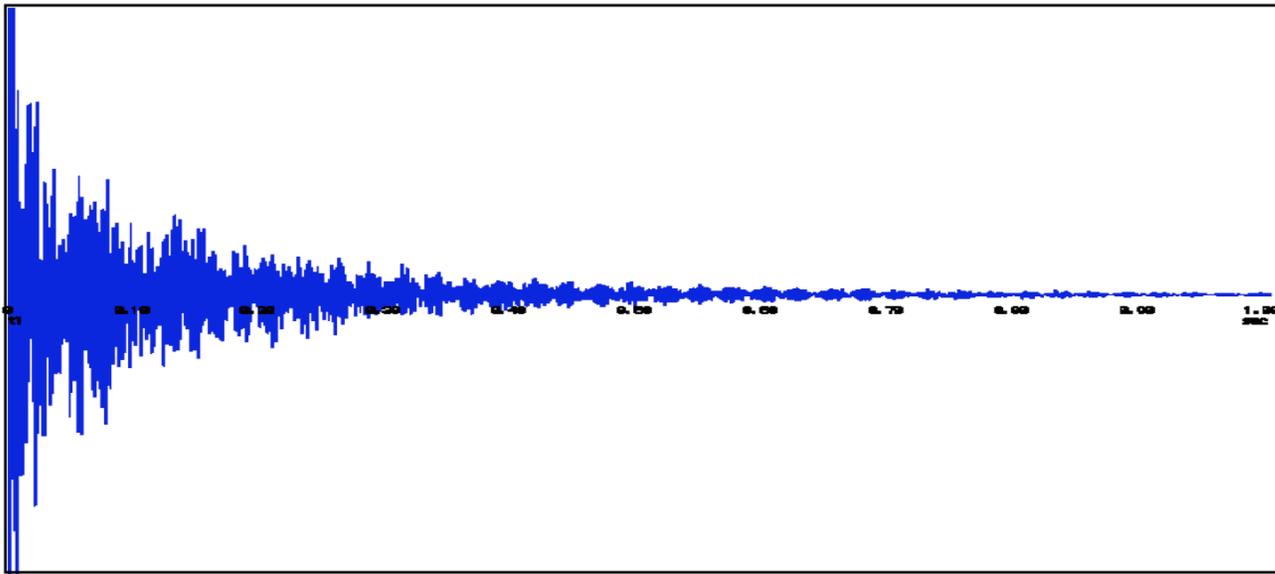


50 ← frequency → 0 Hz

← frequency

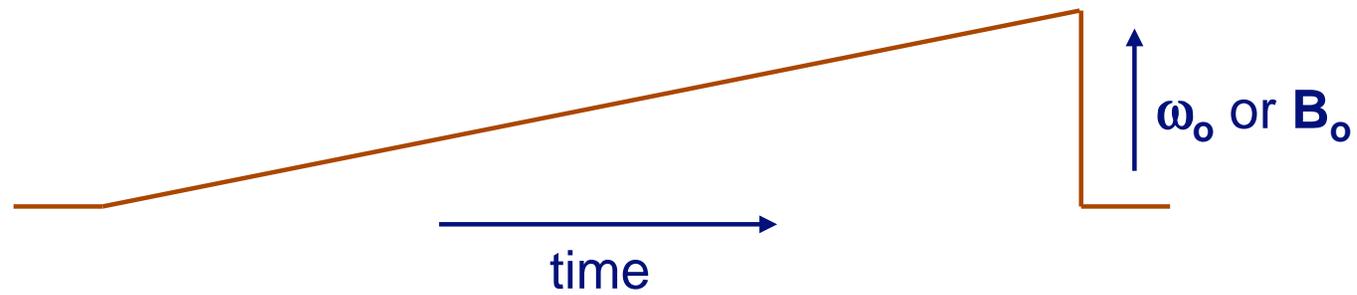
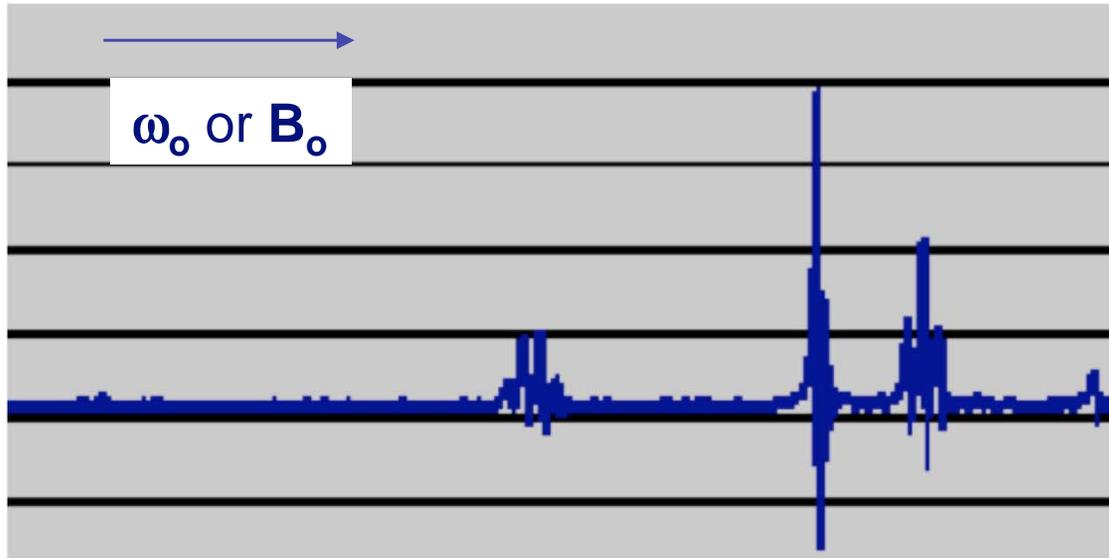
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The Fourier Transform



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Continuous wave vs. pulsed NMR

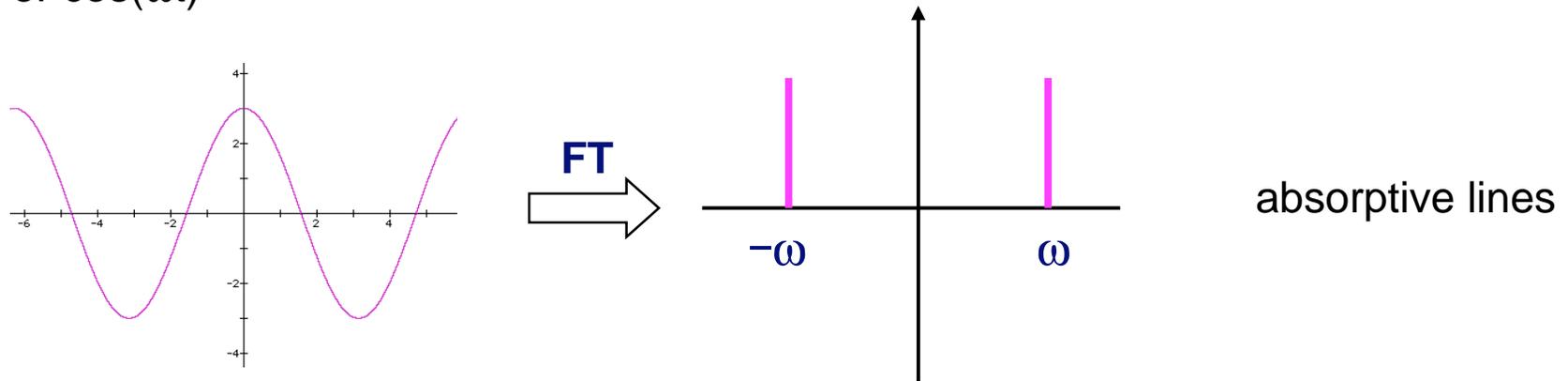


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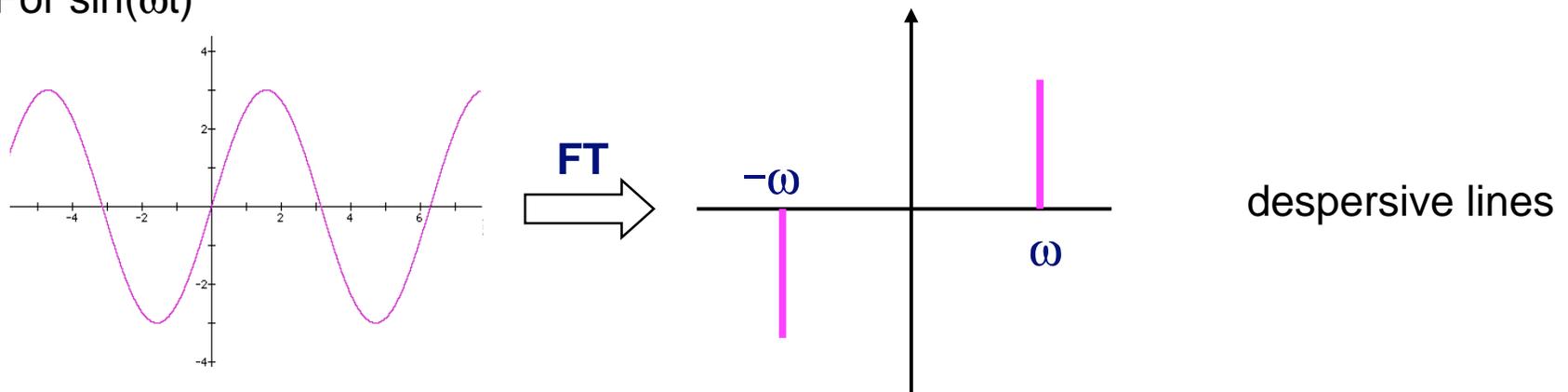
Continuous wave vs. pulsed NMR

Fourier Transform of simple waves

- For $\cos(\omega t)$



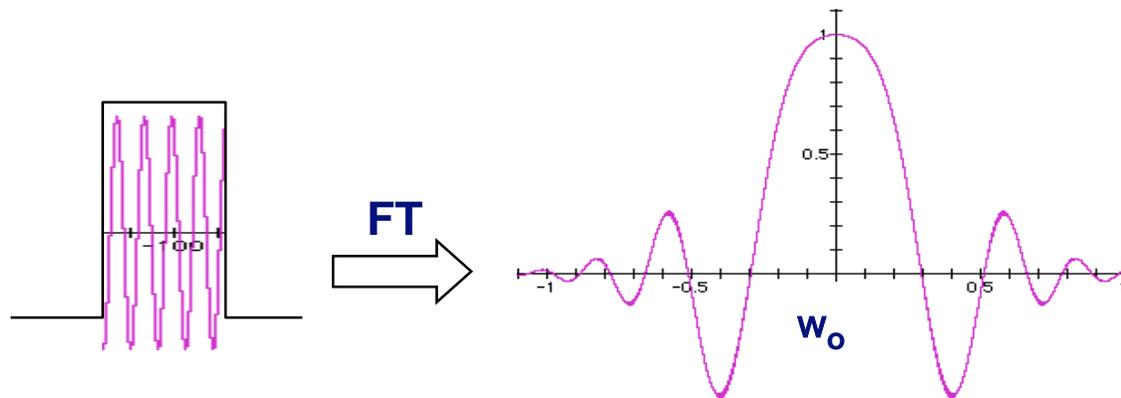
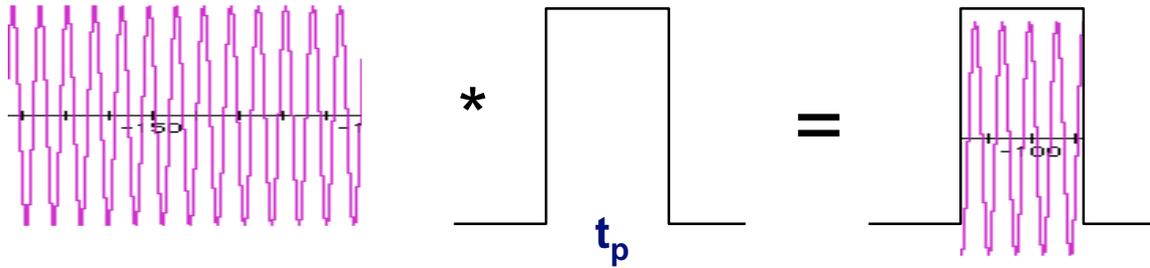
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Continuous wave vs. pulsed NMR

A **monochromatic** radiofrequency pulse is a combination of a wave (cosine) of frequency ω_0 and a step function

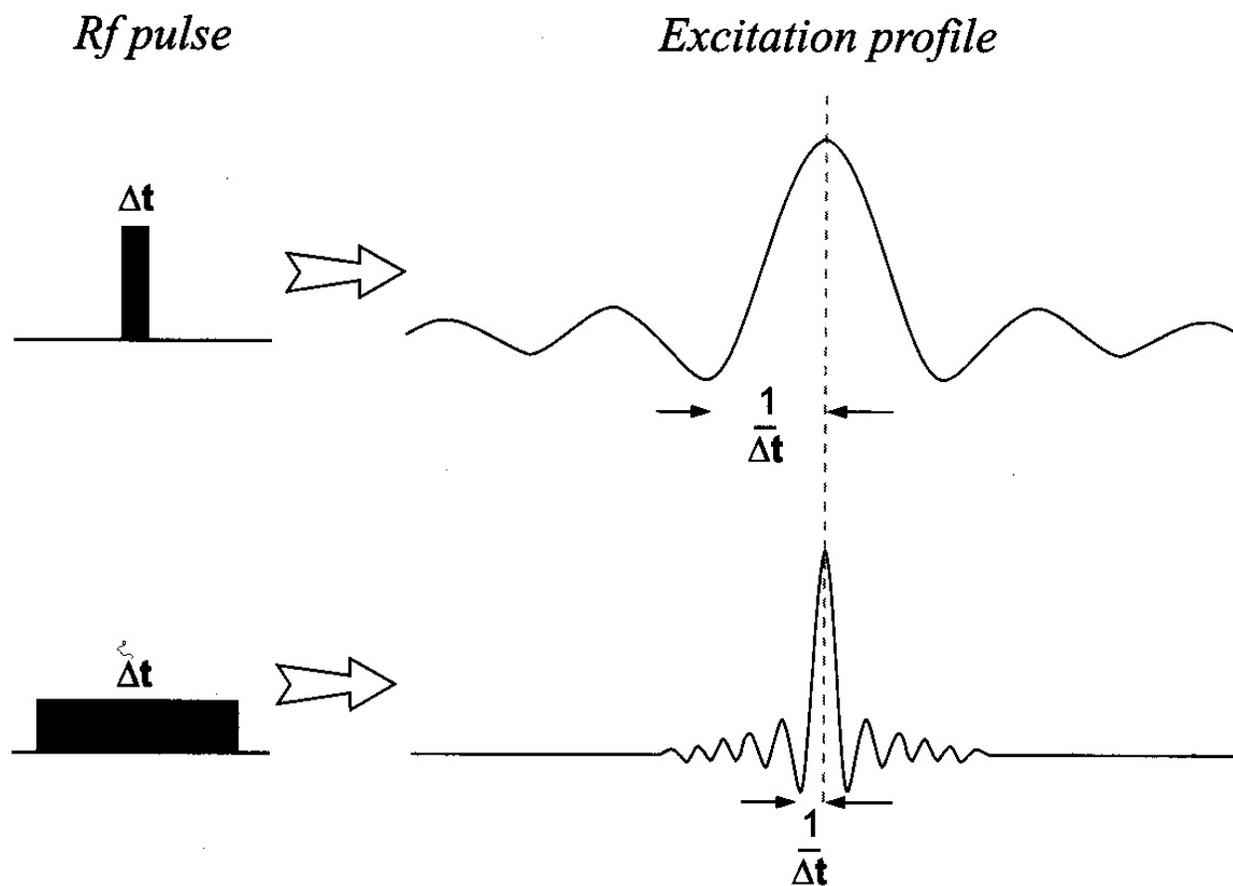


Since $f=1/t$, a pulse of **10 ms** duration excites a frequency bandwidth of **10^5 Hz!**

NMR Spectroscopy

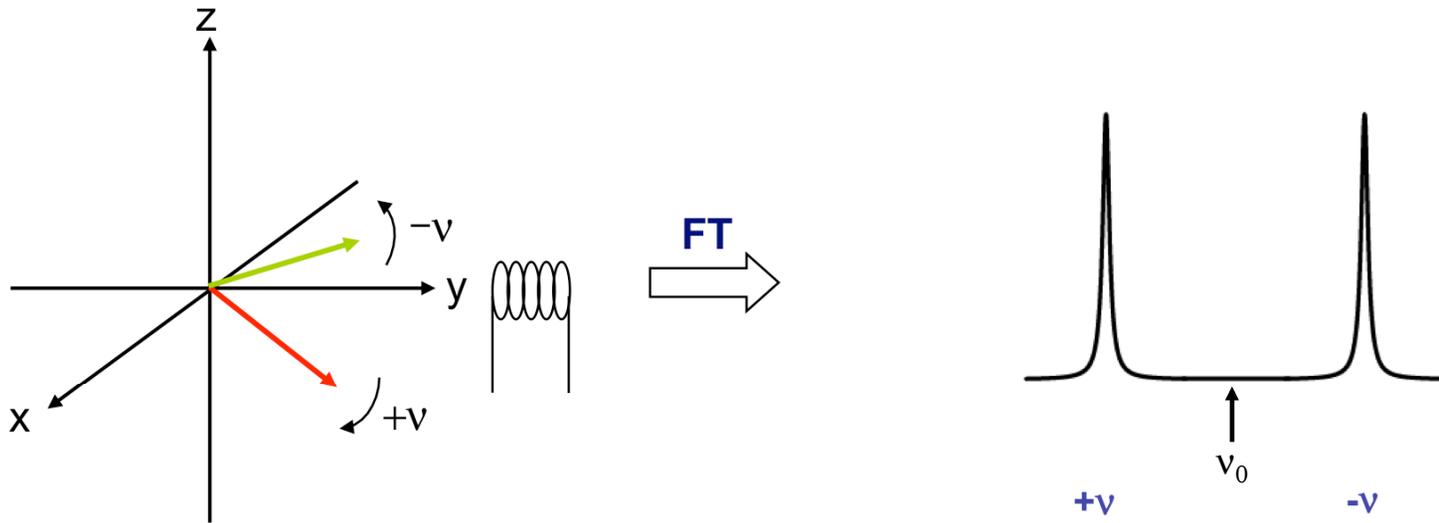
Continuous wave vs. pulsed NMR

$$\Delta E \Delta t \sim h \text{ or } \Delta \nu \Delta t \sim 1$$



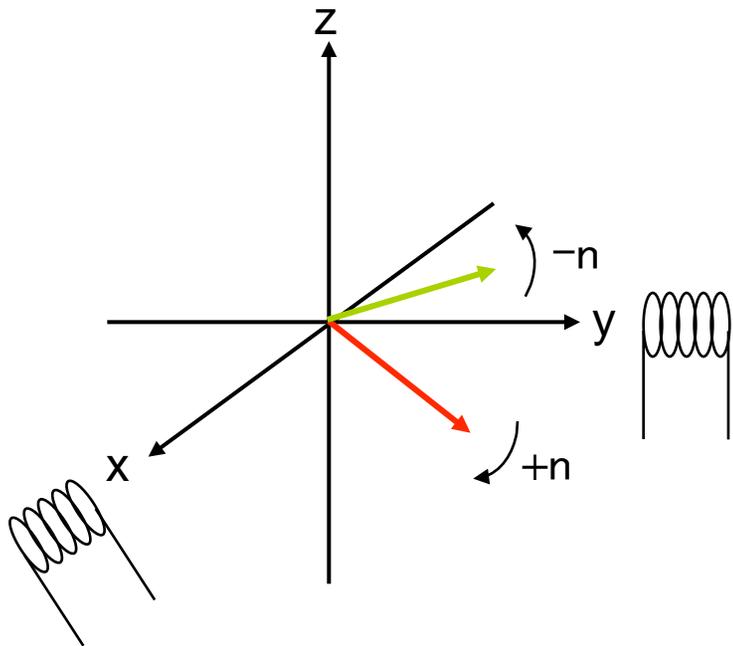
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Single-channel signal detection

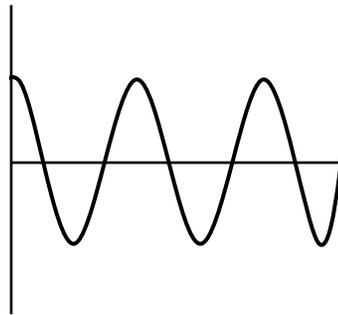


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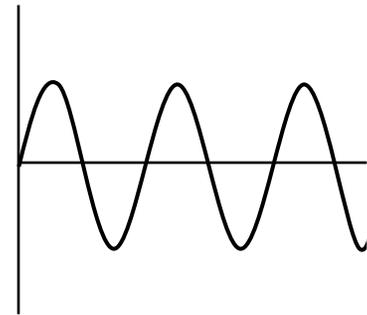
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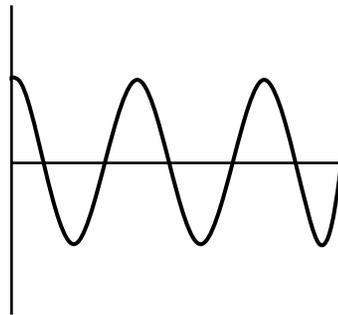
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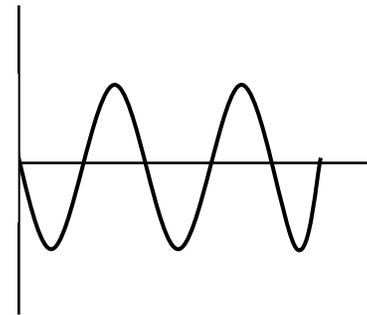
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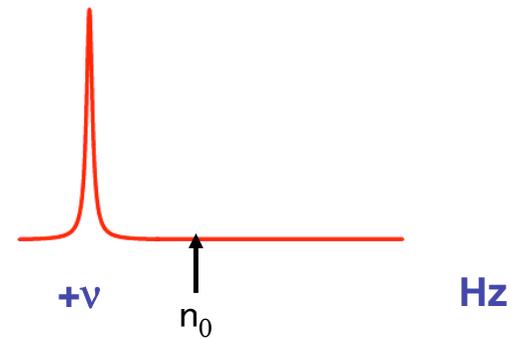
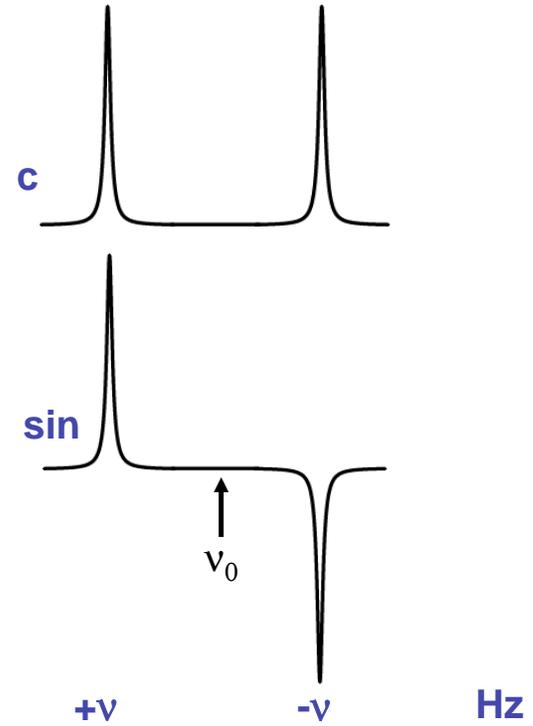
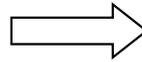
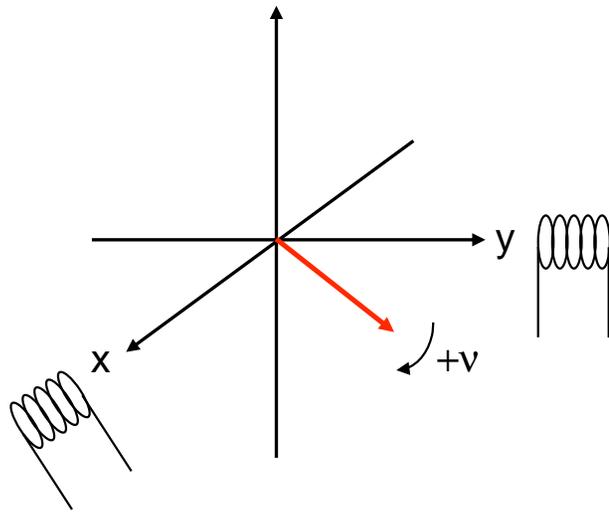


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Quadrature detection



NMR Spectroscopy

The Chemical Shift

The NMR frequency ν of a nucleus in a molecule is mainly determined by its gyromagnetic ratio γ and the strength of the magnetic field \mathbf{B}

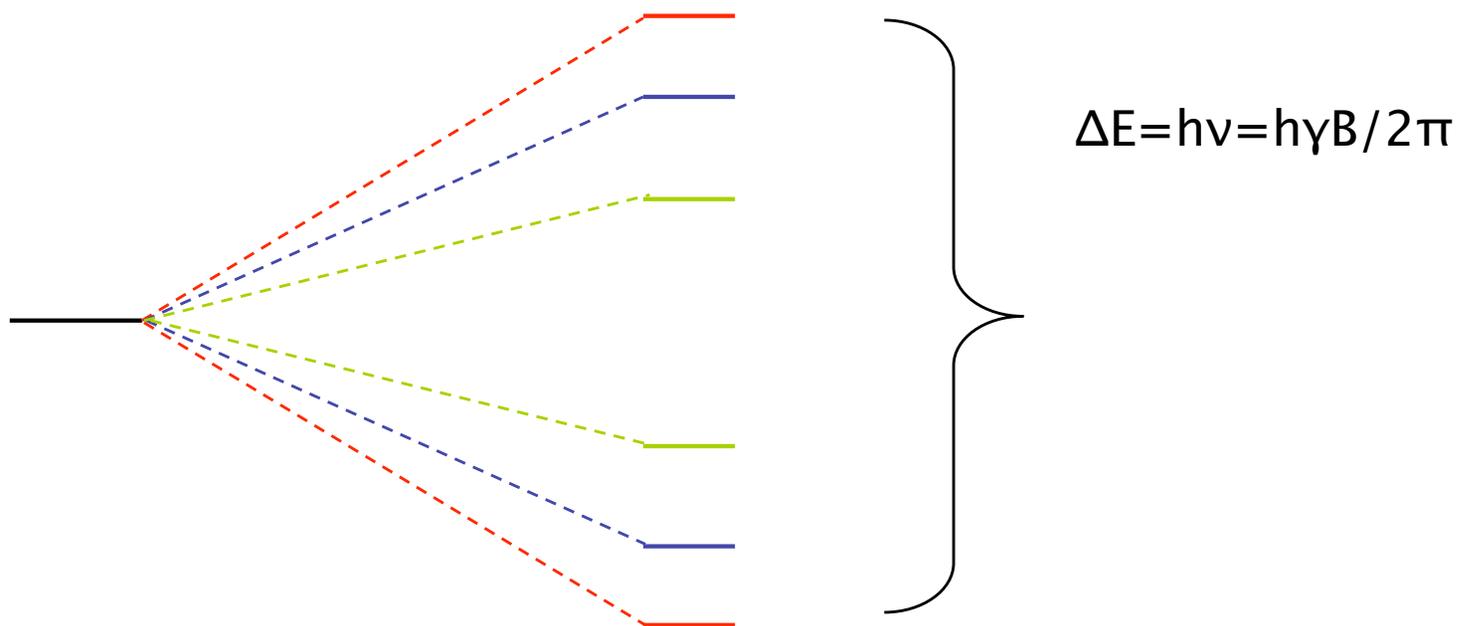
$$\nu = \frac{\gamma B}{2\pi}$$

The exact value of ν depends, however, on the position of the nucleus in the molecule or more precisely on the local electron distribution

this effect is called the **chemical shift**

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The Chemical Shift

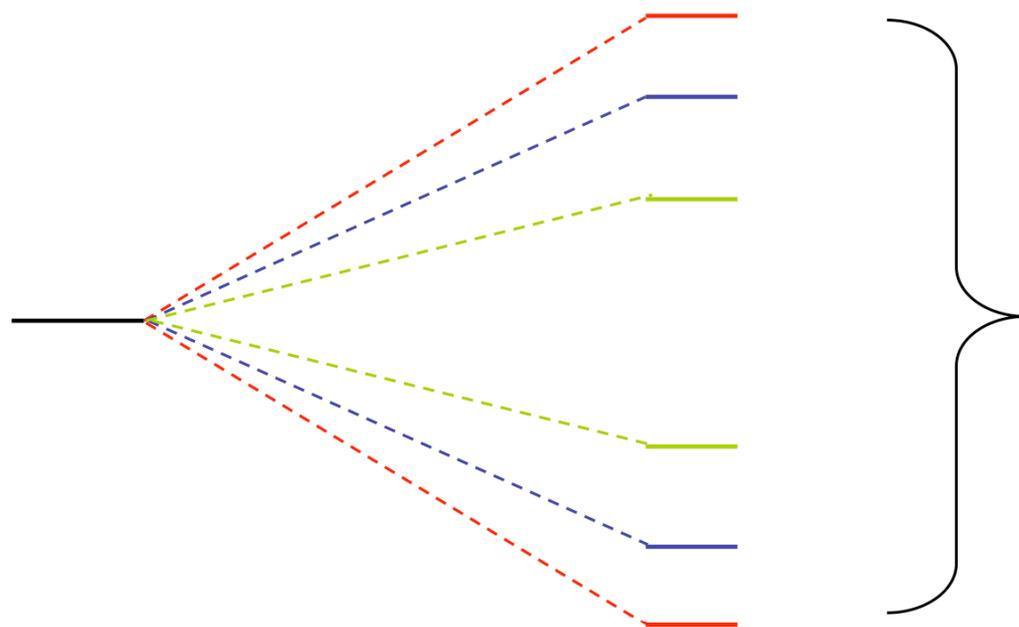


Nuclei, however, in molecules are never isolated from other particles that are charged and are in motion (electrons!).

Thus, the field actually felt by a nucleus is slightly different from that of the applied external magnetic field!!

NMR Spectroscopy

The Chemical Shift



$$\Delta E = h\nu = h\gamma B_{\text{eff}} / 2\pi$$

$$B_{\text{eff}}, \text{ is given by } B_0 - B' = B_0 - B_0\sigma = B_0(1 - \sigma)$$

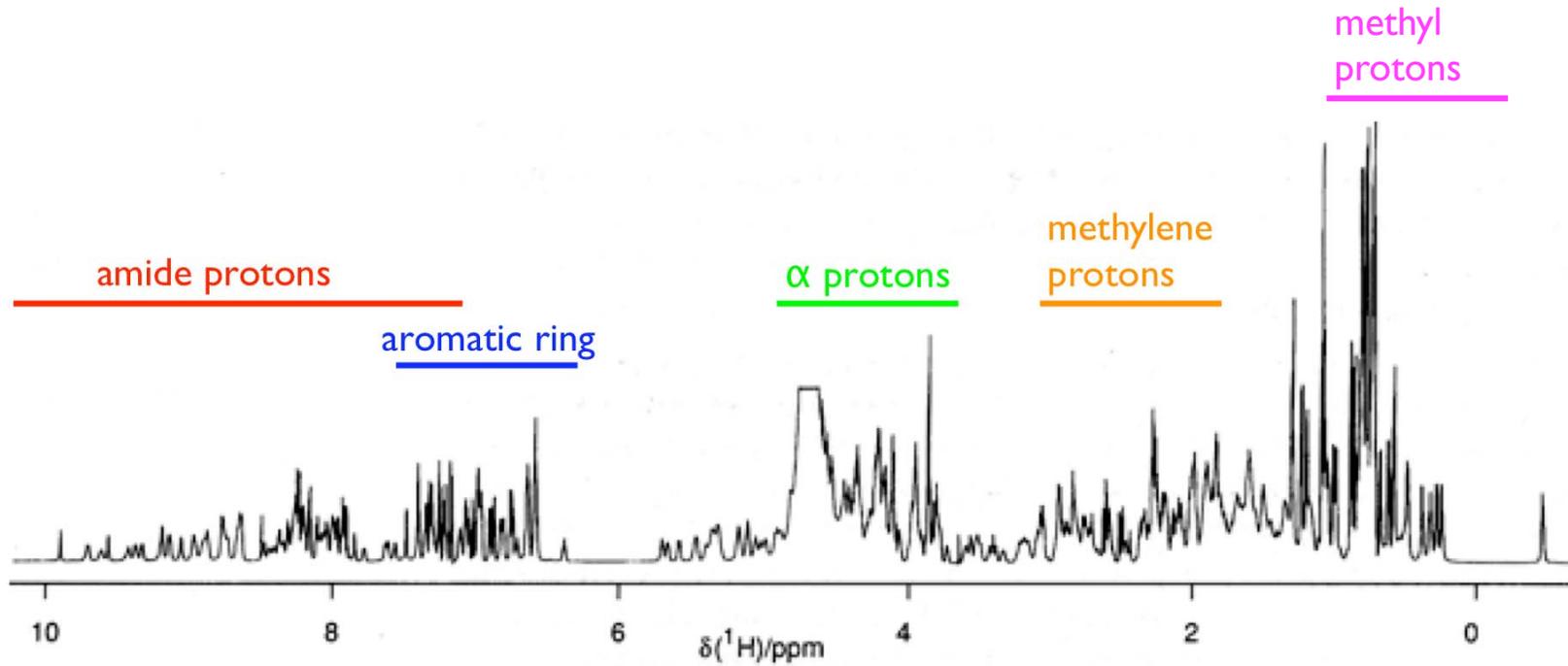
$$\nu = \frac{\gamma B_0(1 - \sigma)}{2\pi}$$

and δ is the chemical shift

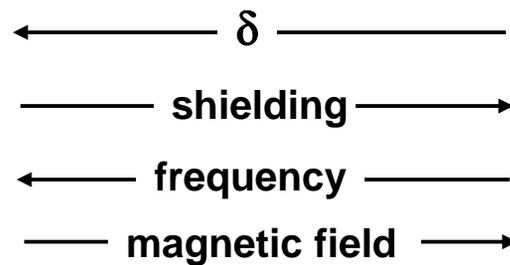
$$\delta = \frac{(\nu - \nu_{\text{ref}})}{\nu_{\text{ref}}} 10^6 \approx 10^6 (\sigma_{\text{ref}} - \sigma)$$

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The Chemical Shift

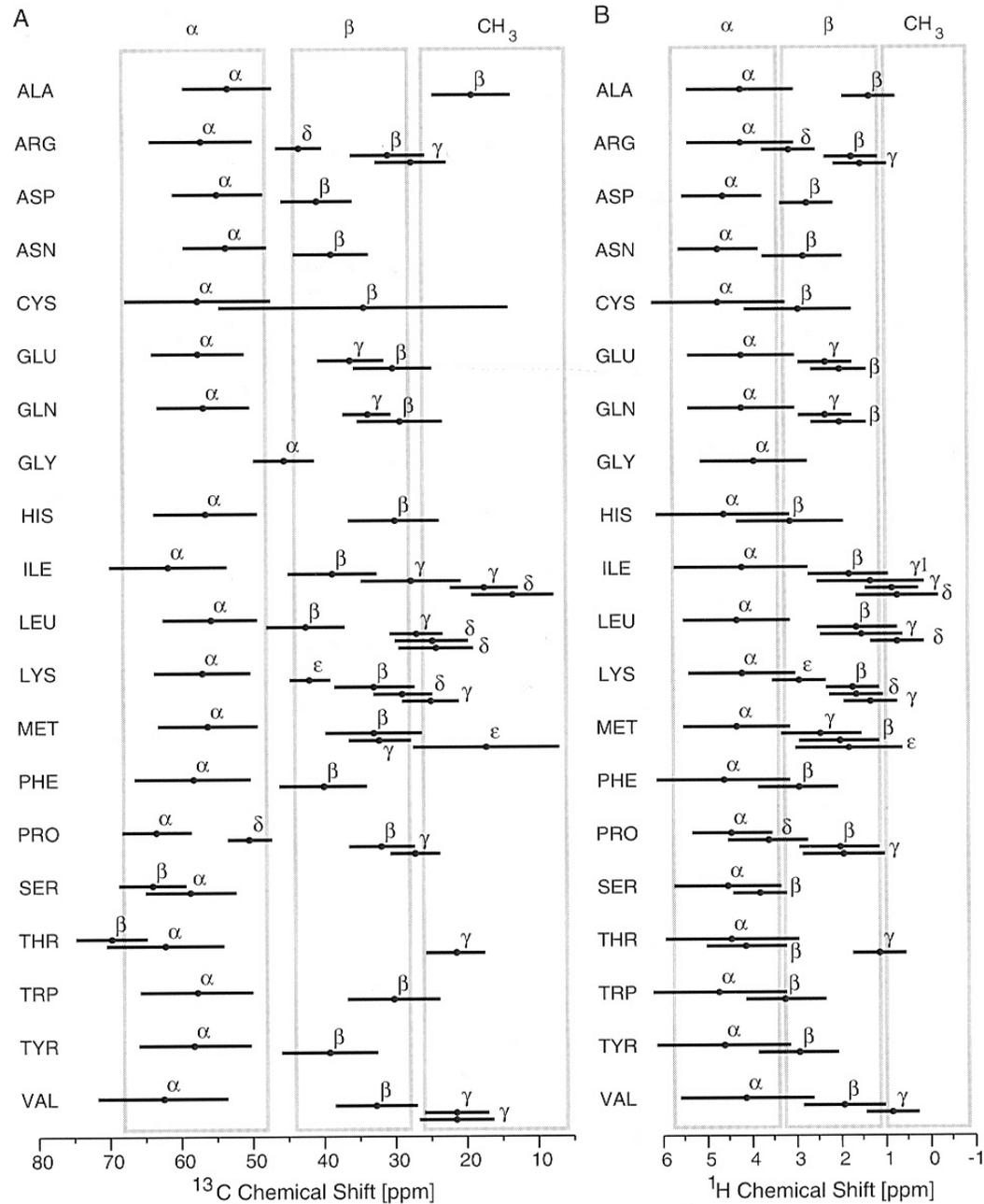


750 MHz ^1H spectrum of a small protein



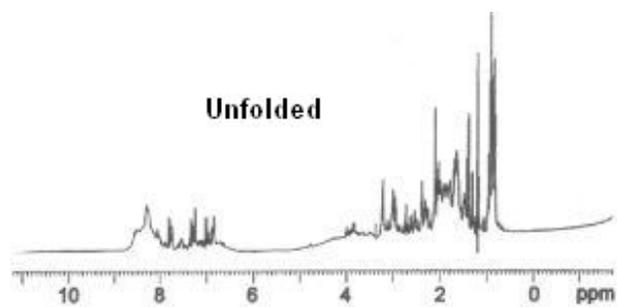
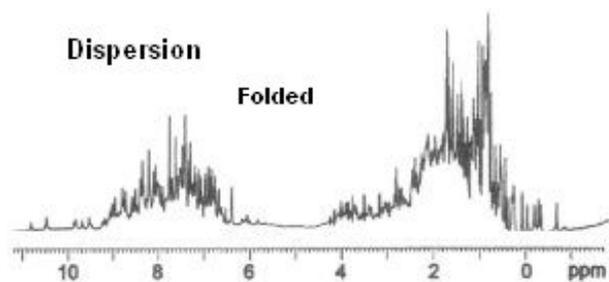
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The Chemical Shift



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The Chemical Shift



NMR Spectroscopy

Nuclear Shielding

$$\sigma = \sigma_{\text{dia}} + \sigma_{\text{para}} + \sigma_{\text{nb}} + \sigma_{\text{rc}} + \sigma_{\text{ef}} + \sigma_{\text{solv}}$$

diamagnetic contribution

paramagnetic contribution

neighbor anisotropy effect

ring-current effect

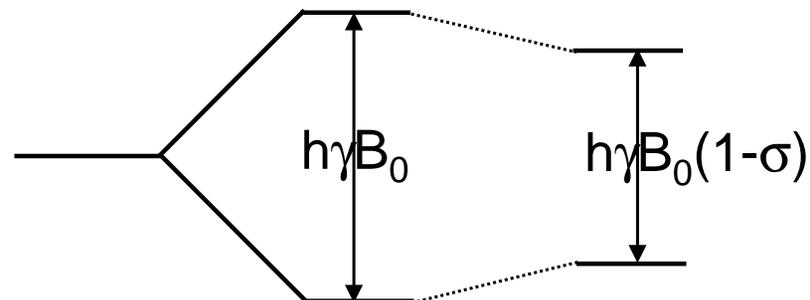
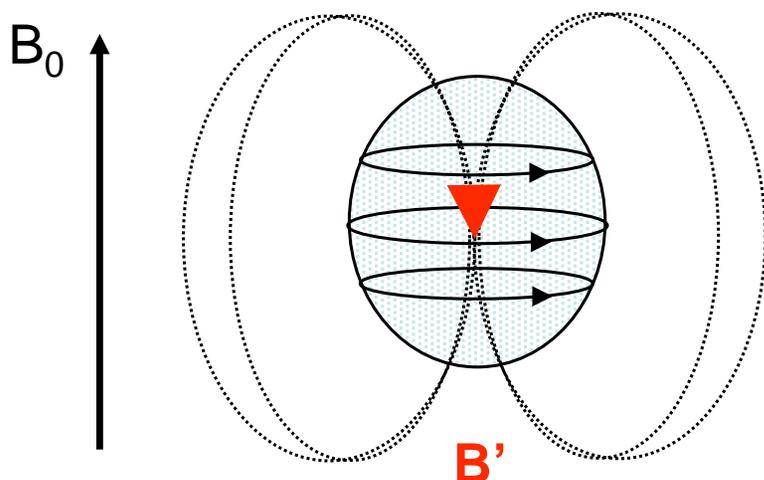
electric field effect

solvent effect

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Nuclear Shielding - diamagnetic contribution

The external field B_0 causes the electrons to circulate within their orbitals

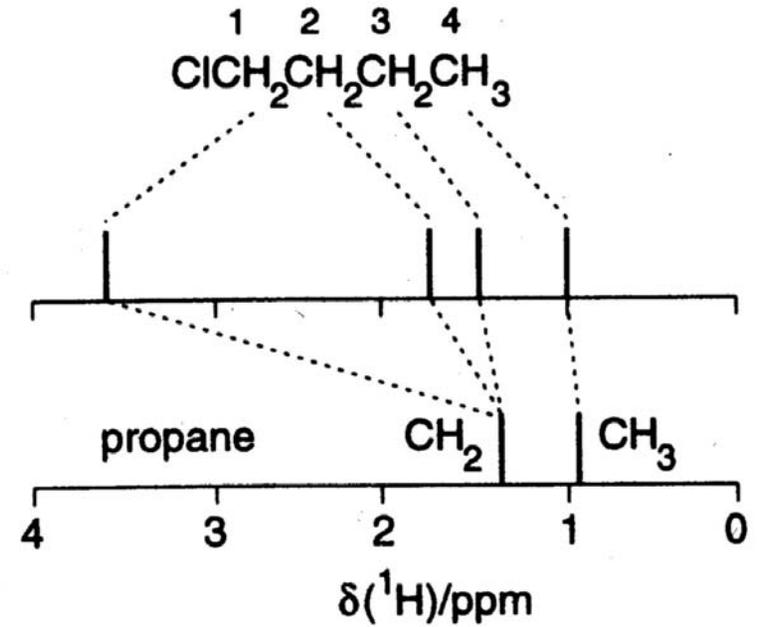
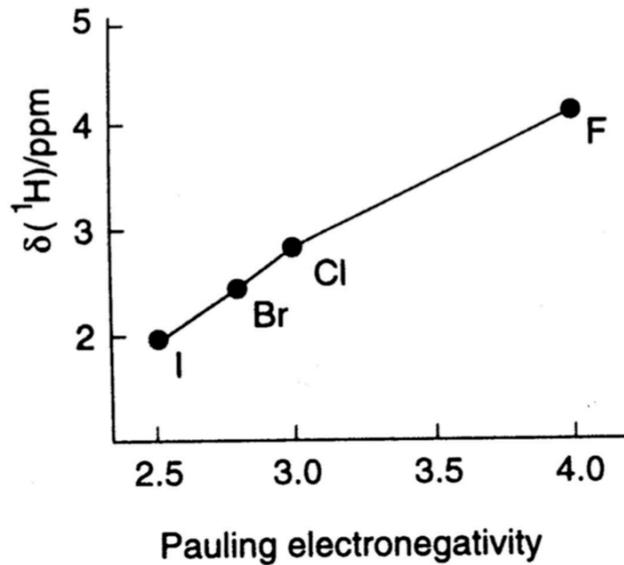
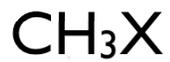


The higher is the electron density close to the nucleus, the larger the protection is!

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Nuclear Shielding - diamagnetic contribution

Depends on the electronegativity

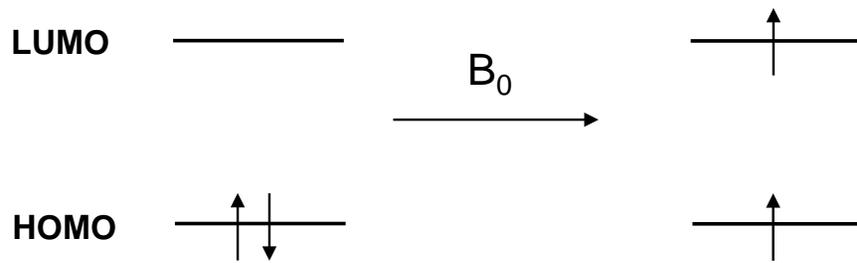


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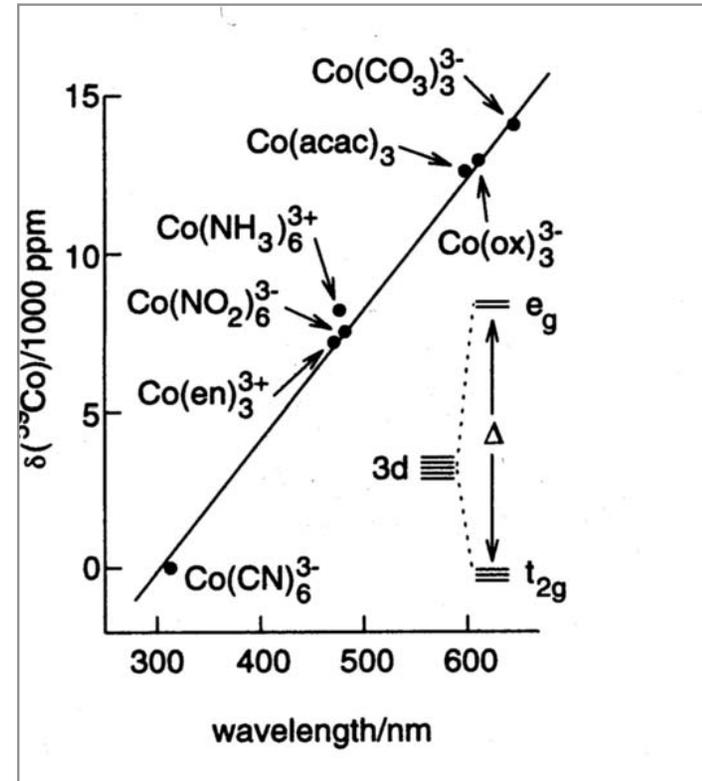
Nuclear Shielding - paramagnetic contribution

The external field B_0 mixes the wavefunction of the ground state with that of the excited state

The induced current generates a magnetic field that **enhances** the external field and **deshields** the nucleus



$$\sigma_p = \frac{1}{\Delta E} \left\langle \frac{1}{R^3} \right\rangle$$



NMR Spectroscopy

Chemical shift range

^1H ; ~10 ppm

^{13}C ; ~200 ppm

^{19}F ; ~300 ppm

^{31}P ; ~500 ppm

Local diamagnetic and paramagnetic currents make only modest contributions to ^1H shielding!

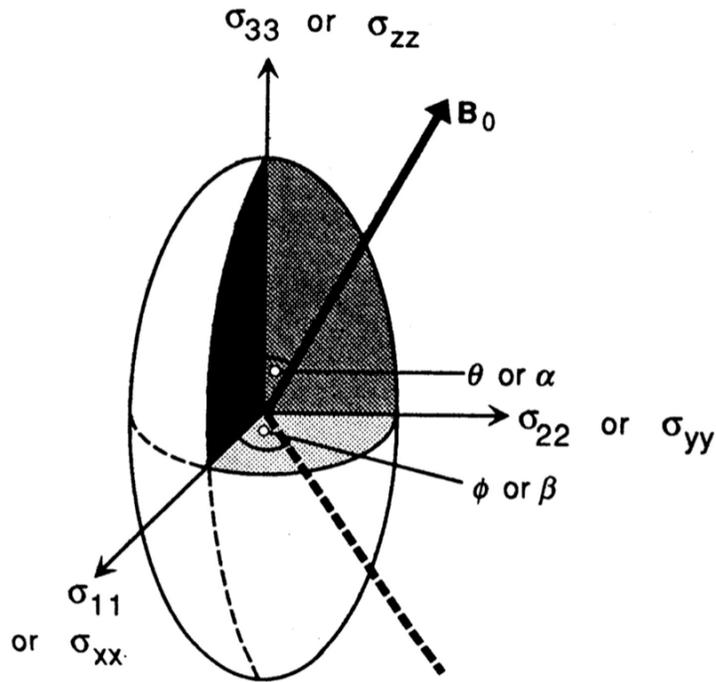
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Chemical Shift Anisotropy

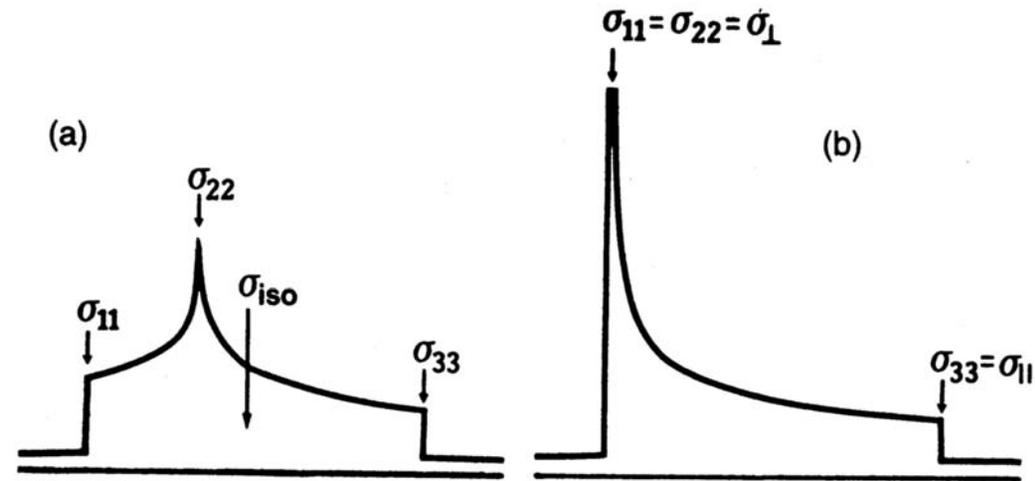
Nuclear shielding, σ , is a **tensor**.

The distribution of the electrons about the nucleus is non-spherical- thus, the **magnitude** of the shielding depends on the relative **orientation** of the nucleus with respect to the static field.

In isotropic cases: $\sigma = \frac{1}{3} (\sigma_{11} + \sigma_{22} + \sigma_{33})$

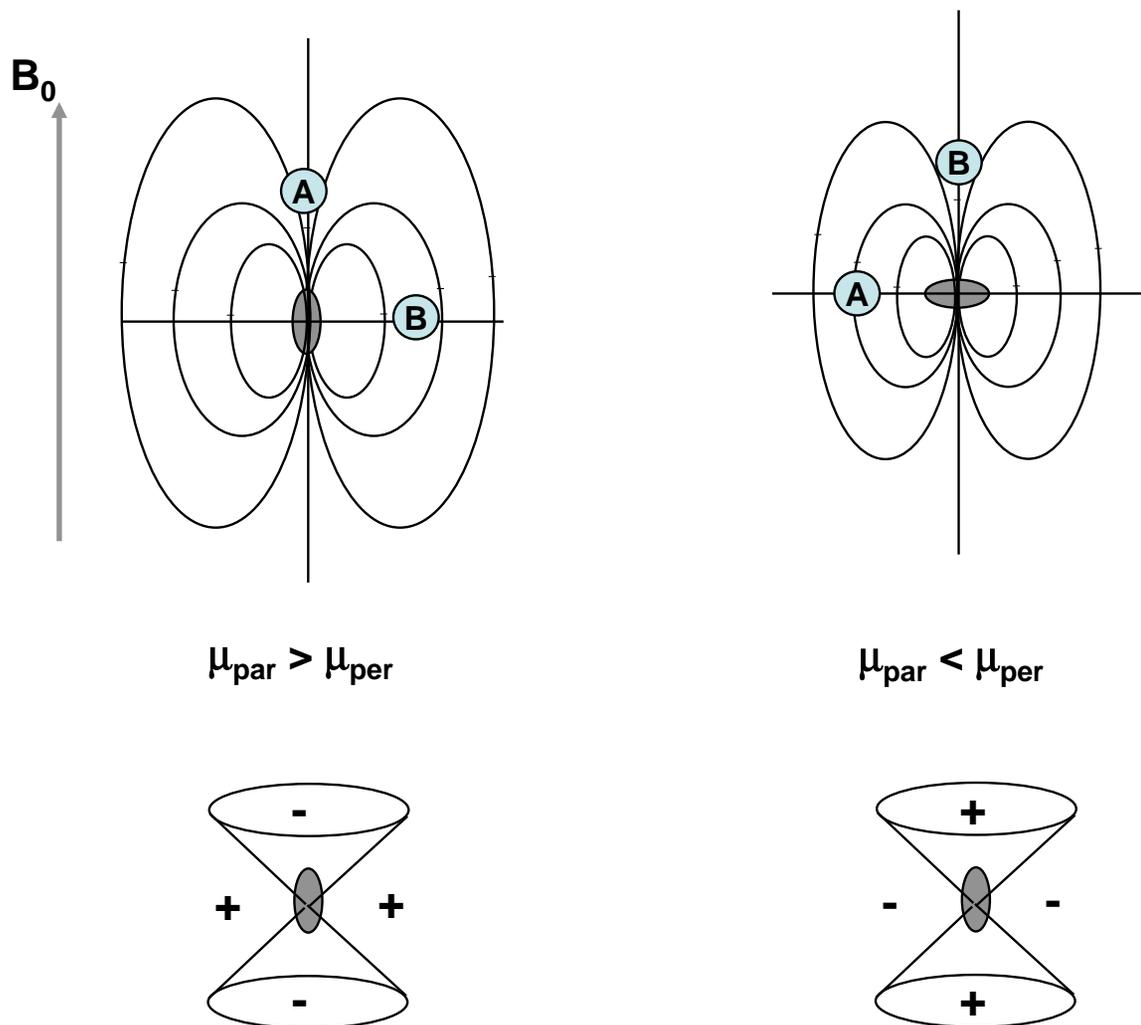


In static cases, e.g. solid state



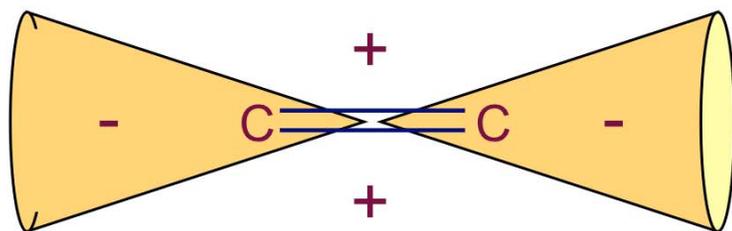
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Nuclear Shielding - neighboring group

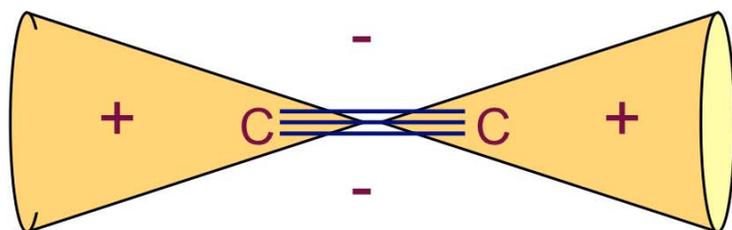


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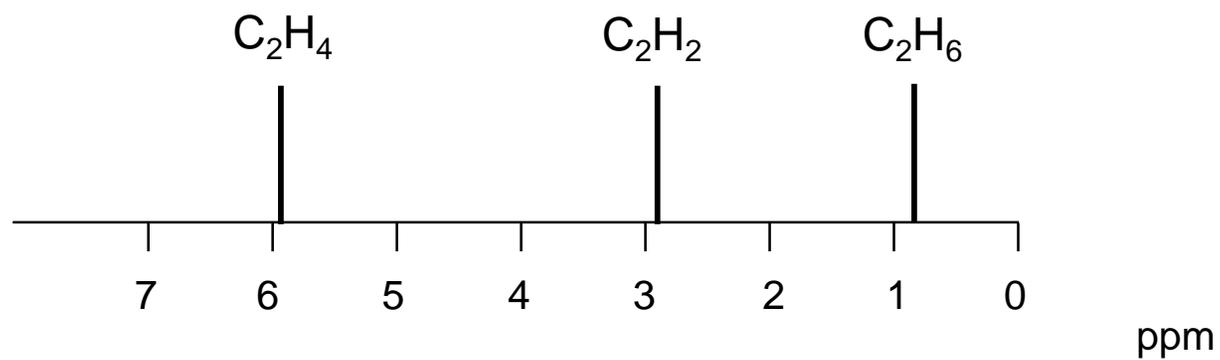
Nuclear Shielding - neighboring group



$$\mu_{\text{par}} > \mu_{\text{per}}$$



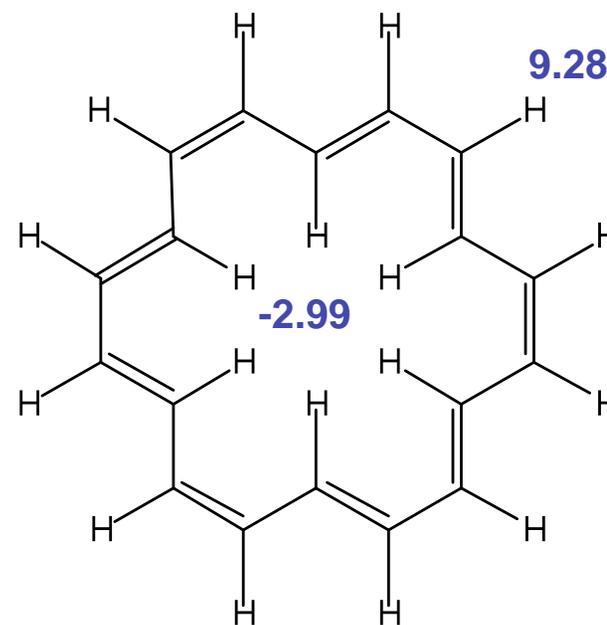
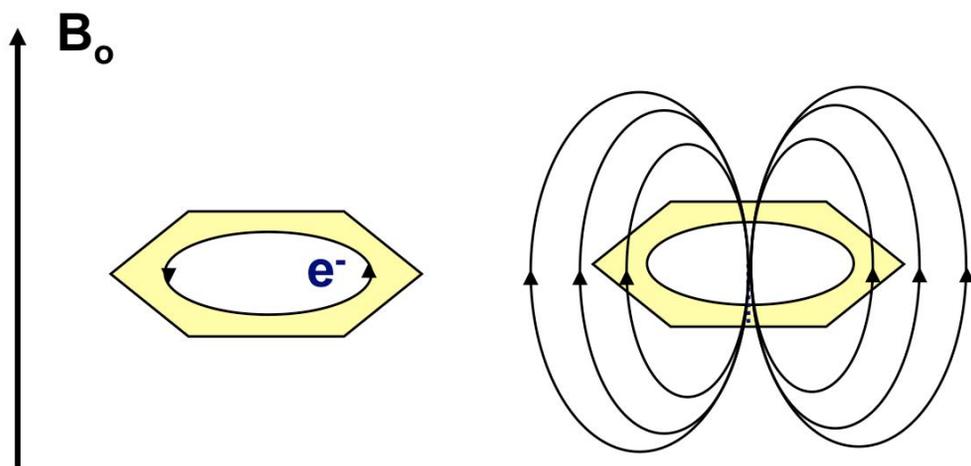
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NMR Spectroscopy

Nuclear Shielding - ring-current effect

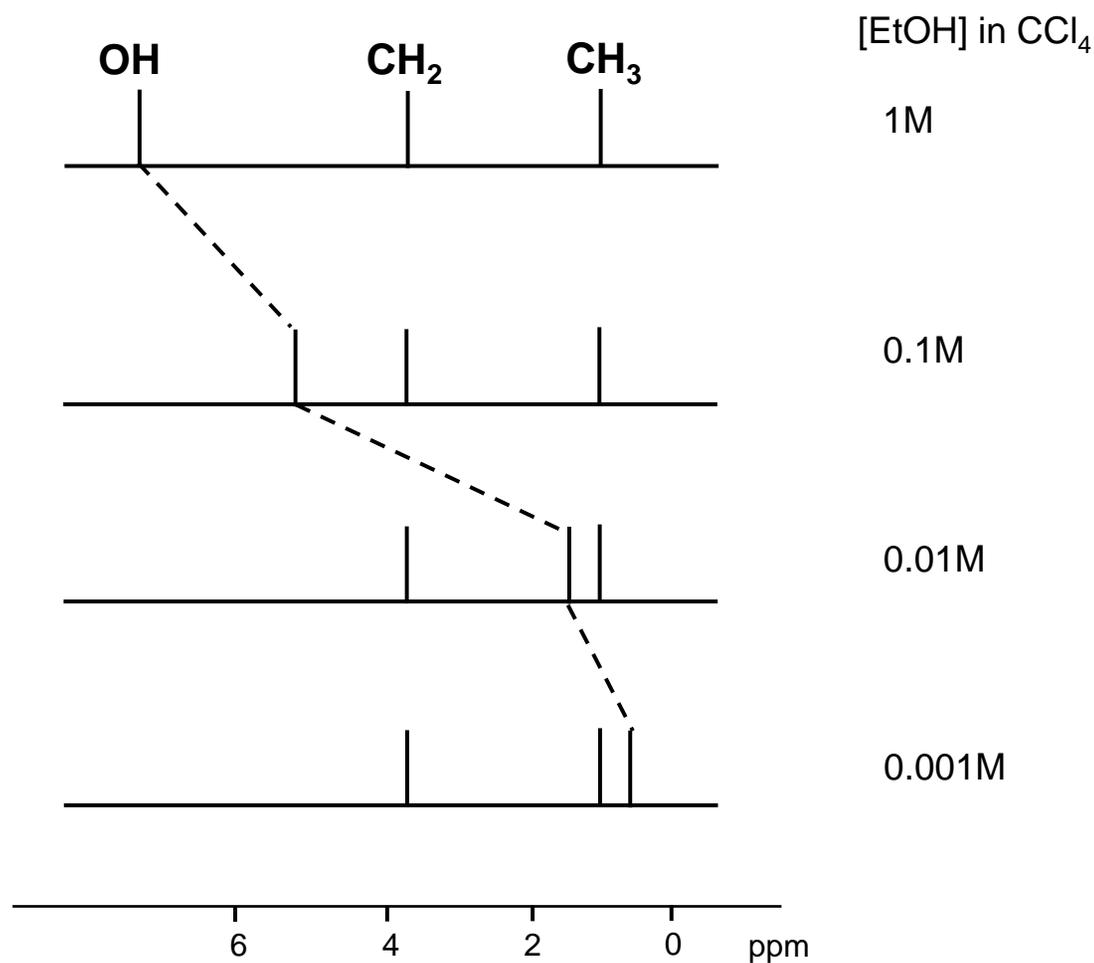
More pronounced in aromatic rings due to the π electron clouds



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Nuclear Shielding - hydrogen bonding

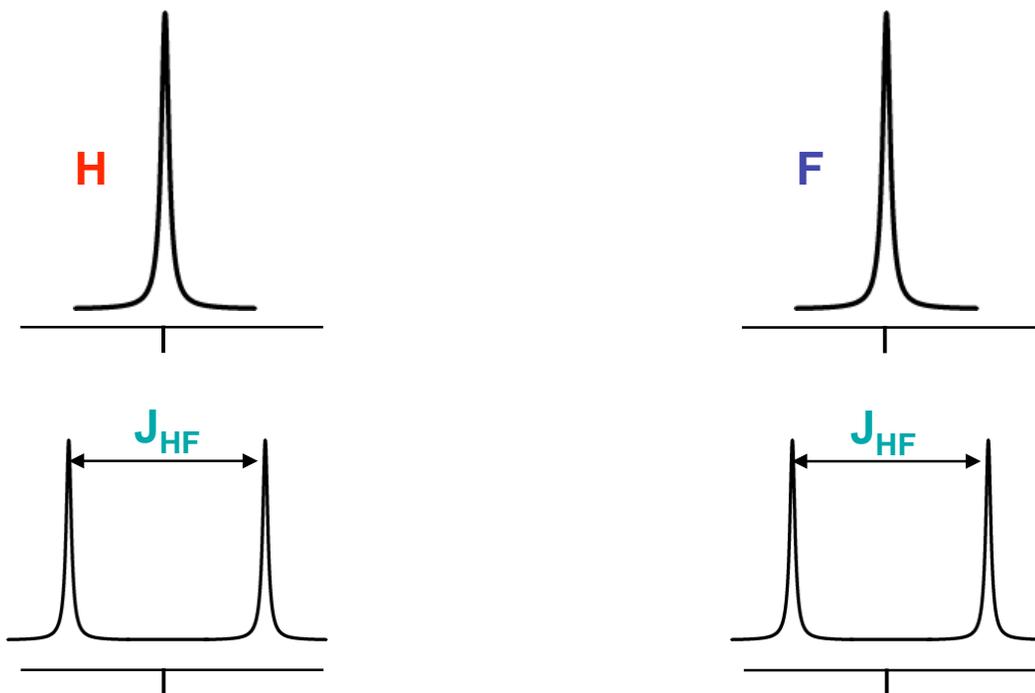
Hydrogen bonding causes **deshielding** due to electron density decrease at the proton site



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Spin-spin (scalar) coupling

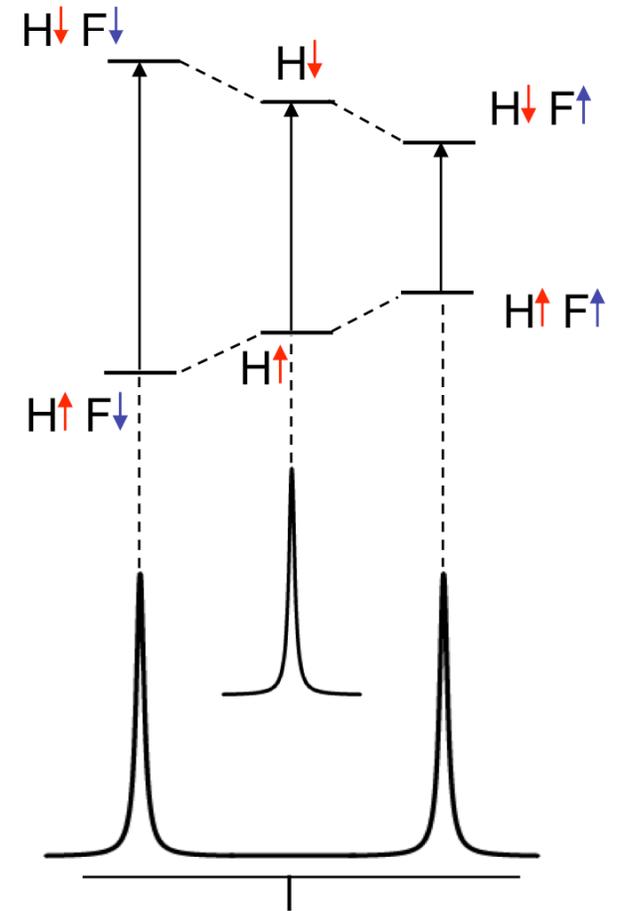
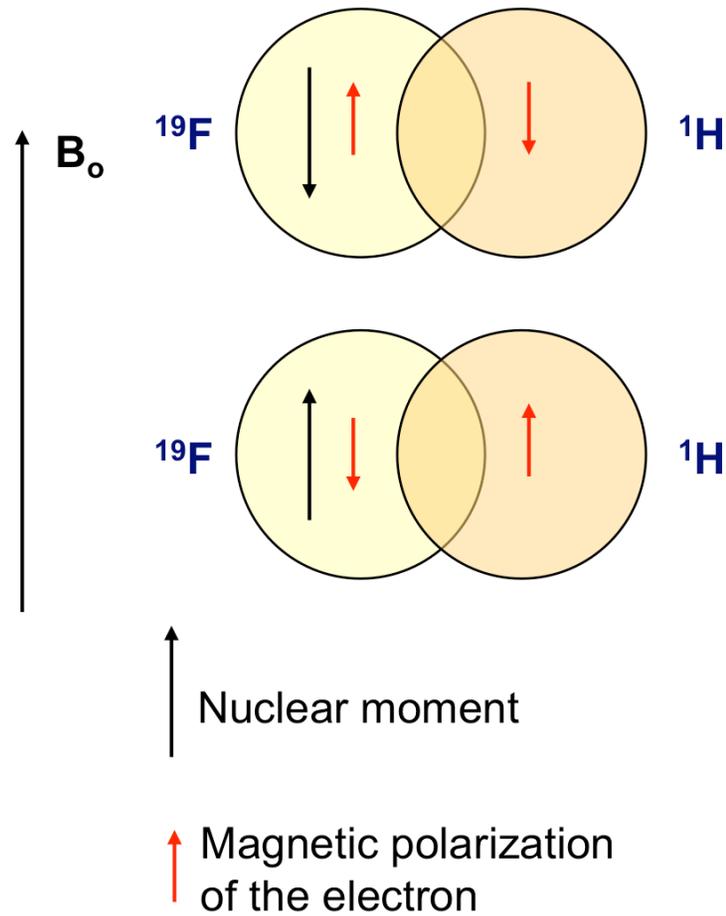
HF (^1H - ^{19}F)



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Spin-spin (scalar) coupling

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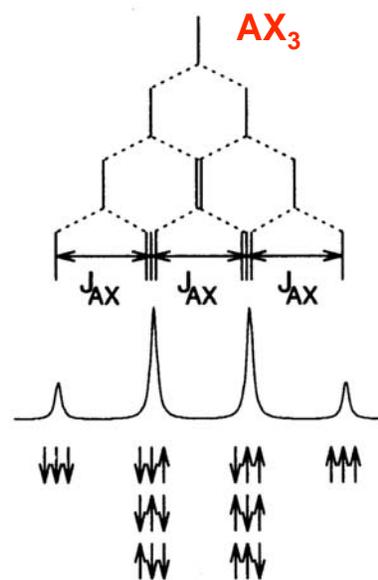
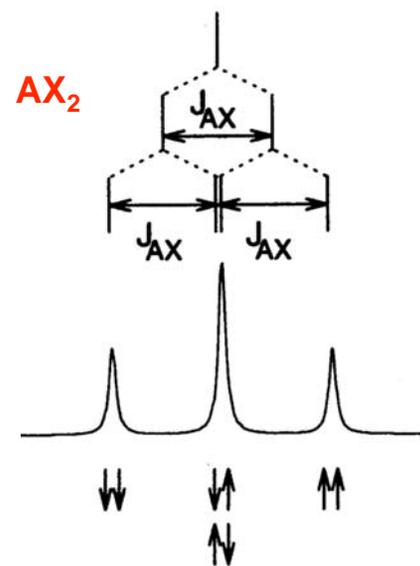
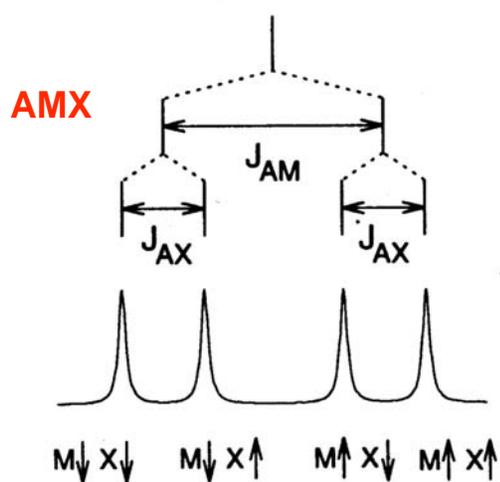


$$E = h J_{AX} m_A m_X$$

where m is the magnetic quantum number
 J_{AX} is the spin-spin coupling constant

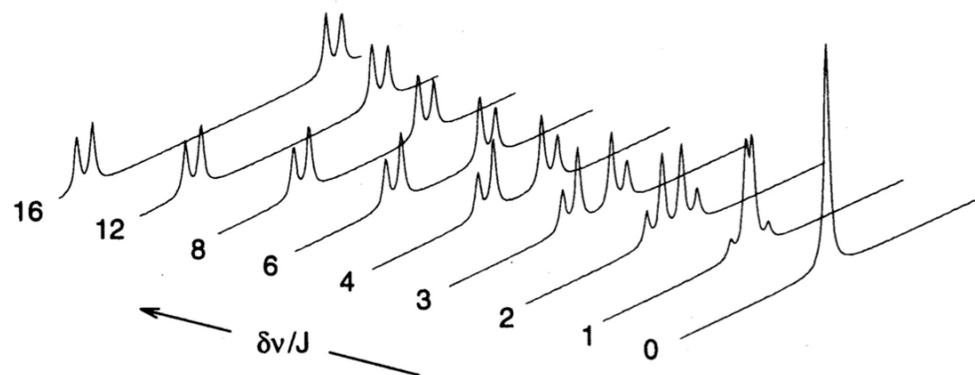
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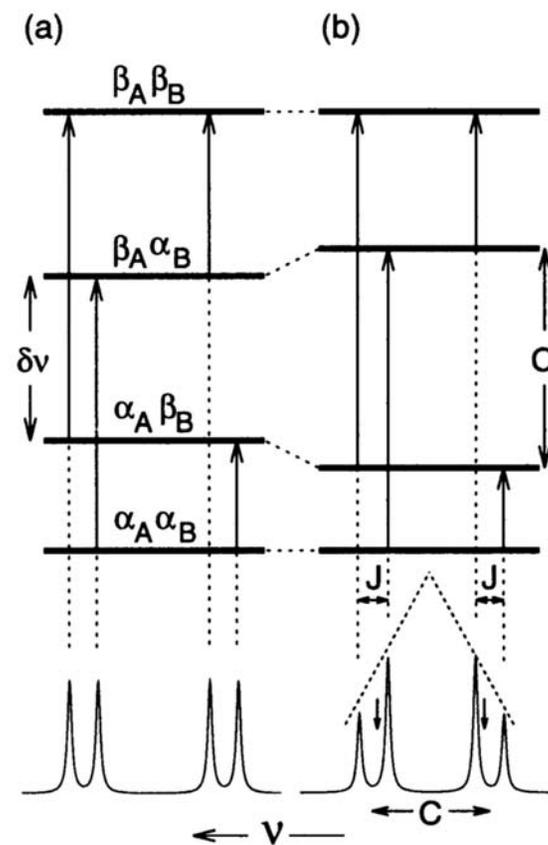


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Spin-spin (scalar) coupling



Strong coupling – $\delta\nu < 10|J|$



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Spin-spin (scalar) coupling

The principal source of [scalar](#) coupling is an indirect interaction mediated by **electrons** involved in chemical bonding

The **magnitude** of interaction is proportional to the **probability** of finding the electron at the nucleus ($R=0$)

Magnitude in **Hz**- **independent** of the external magnetic field

| | |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| $\text{H}_3\text{C} - \text{CH}_3$ | 125 Hz |
| $\text{H}_2\text{C} = \text{CH}_2$ | 160 Hz |
| $\text{HC} \equiv \text{CH}$ | 250 Hz |

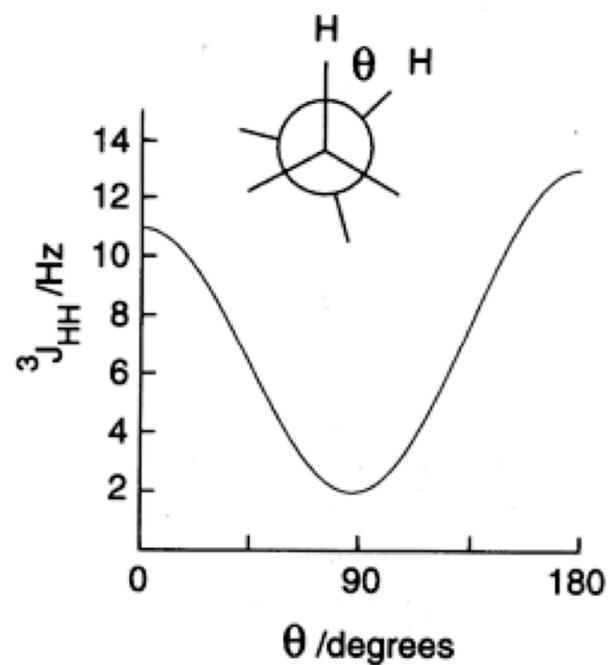
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Spin-spin (scalar) coupling

Three-bond coupling most useful since it carries [information on dihedral angles](#)

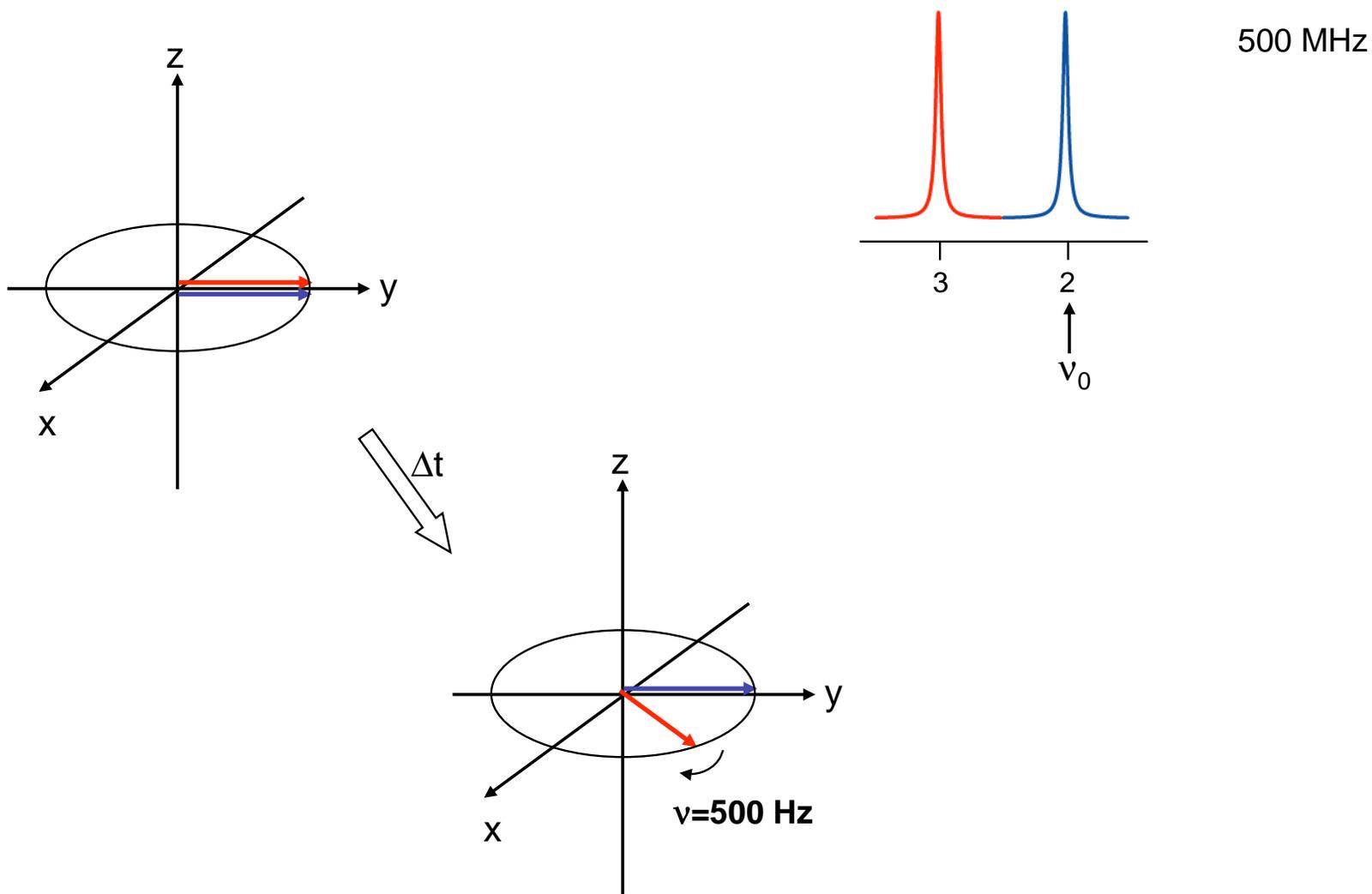
Empirical relationship: the [Karplus relation](#)

$${}^3J = A + B \cos \theta + C \cos^2 \theta$$



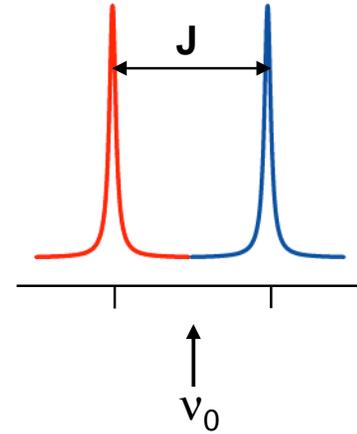
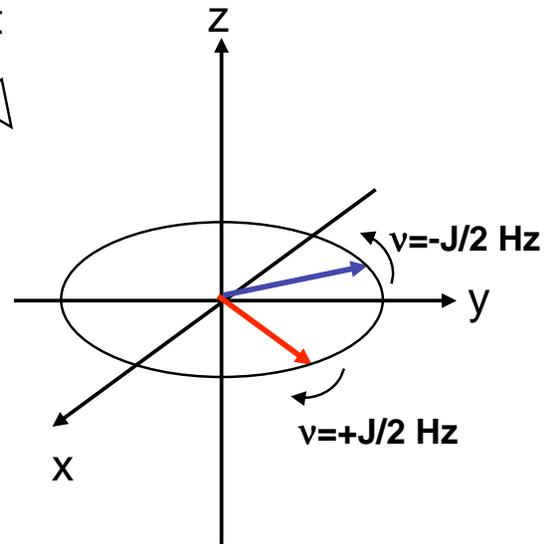
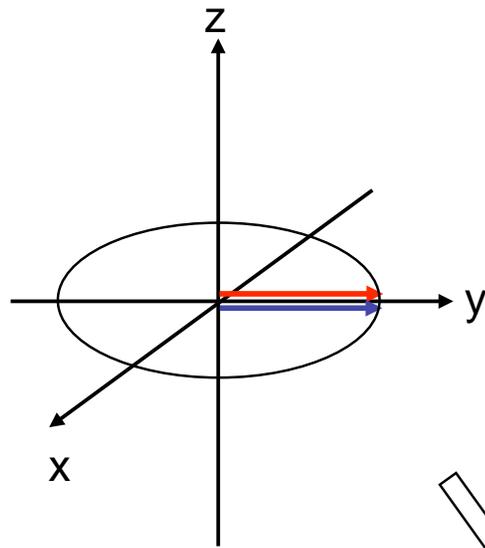
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Chemical shifts on the rotating frame



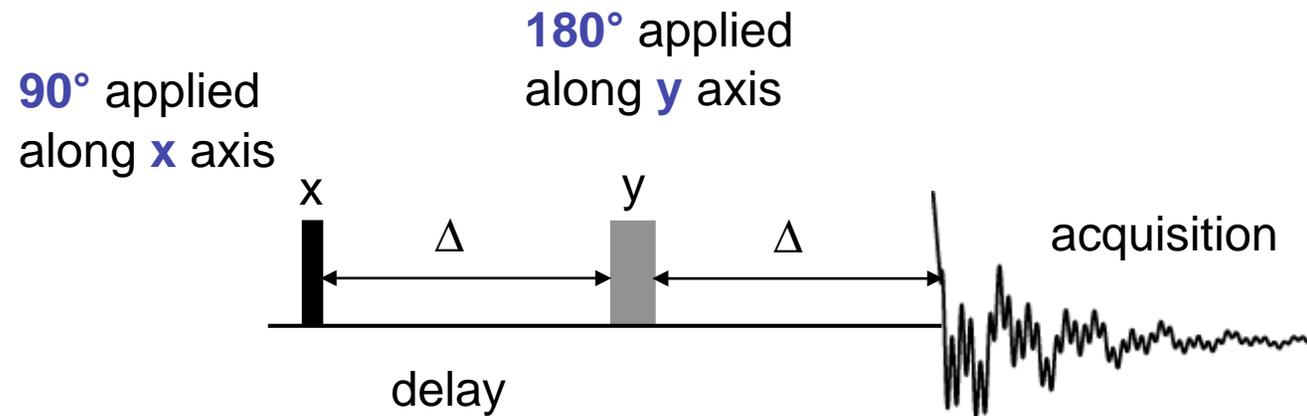
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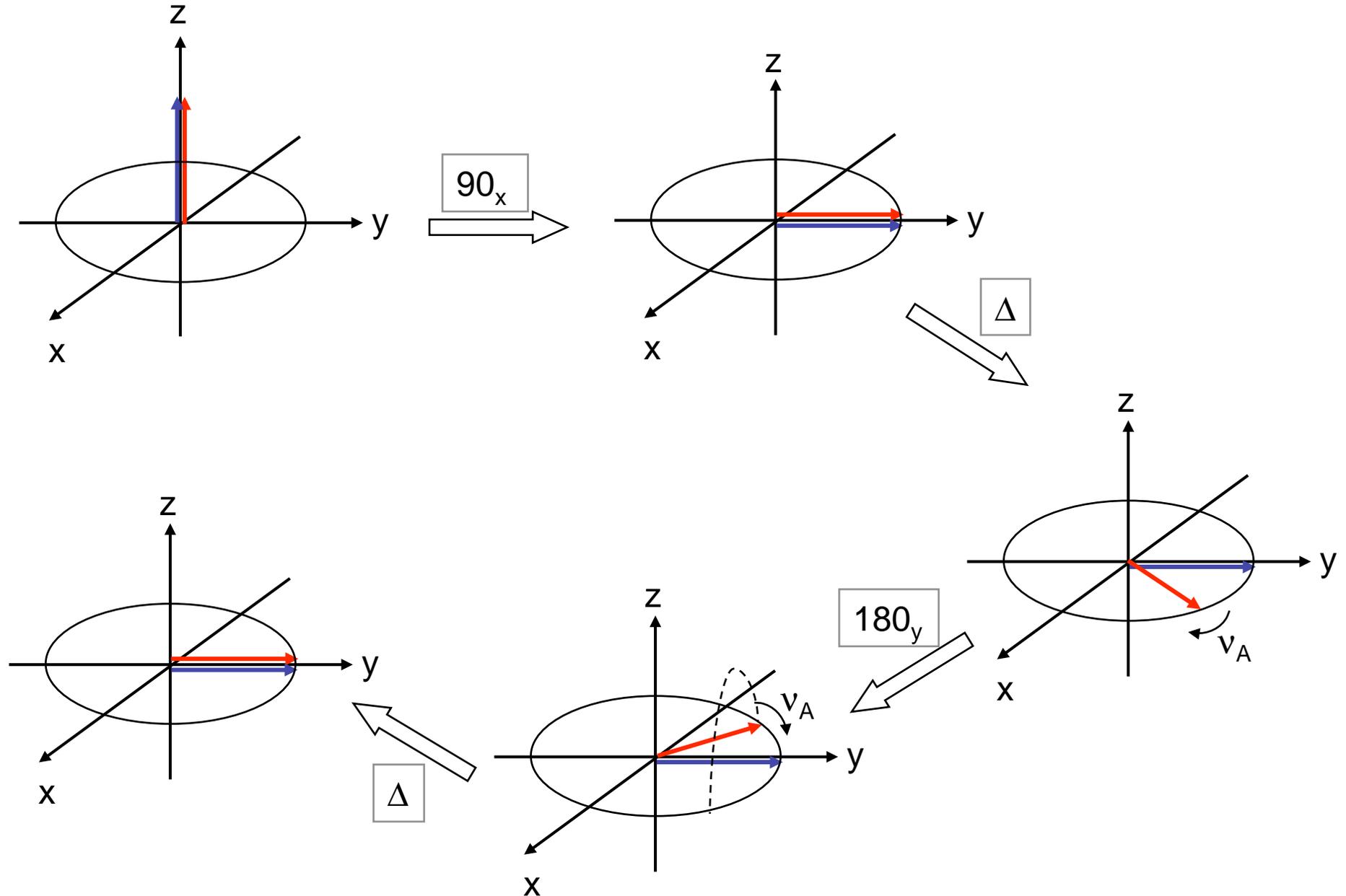
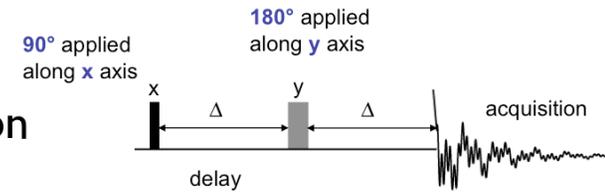
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The basic spin-echo pulse sequence



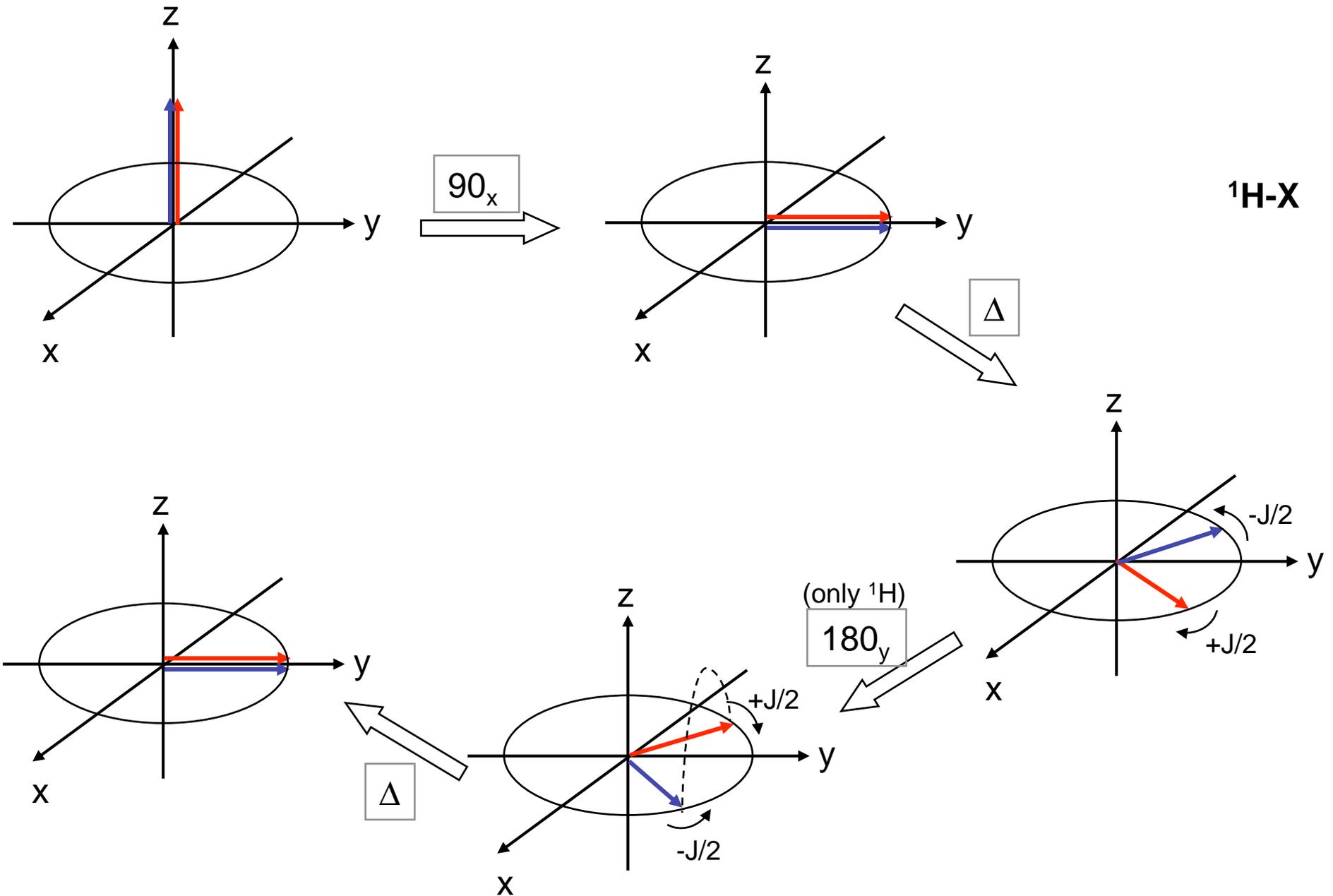
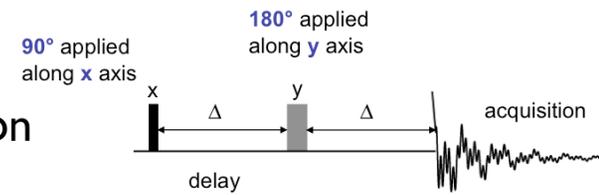
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Effect of spin echo on chemical shift evolution



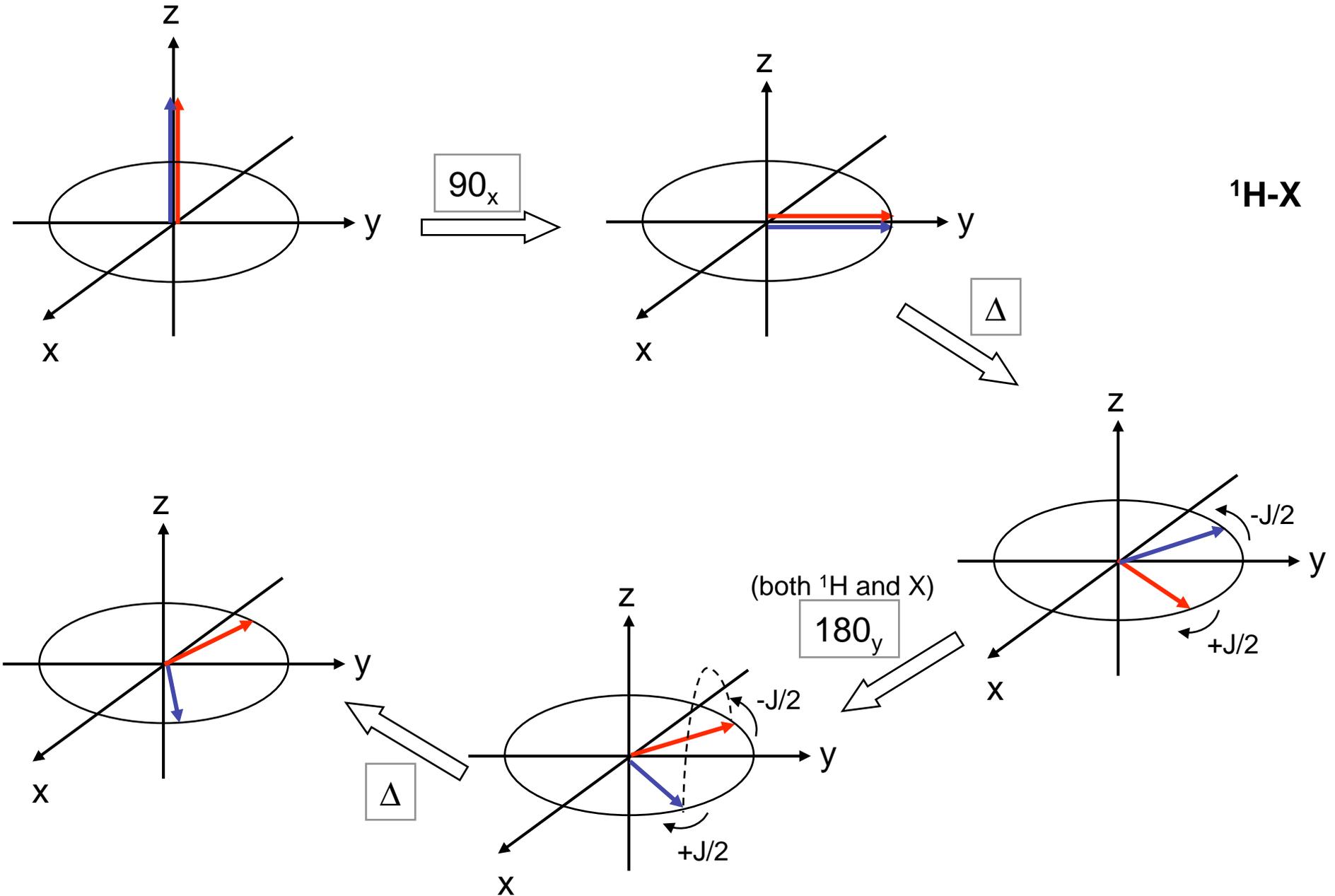
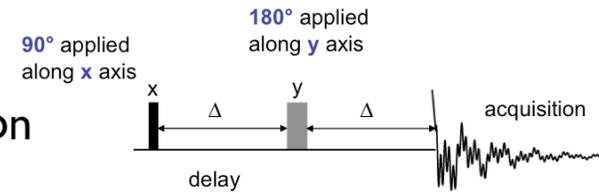
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Effect of spin echo on scalar coupling evolution



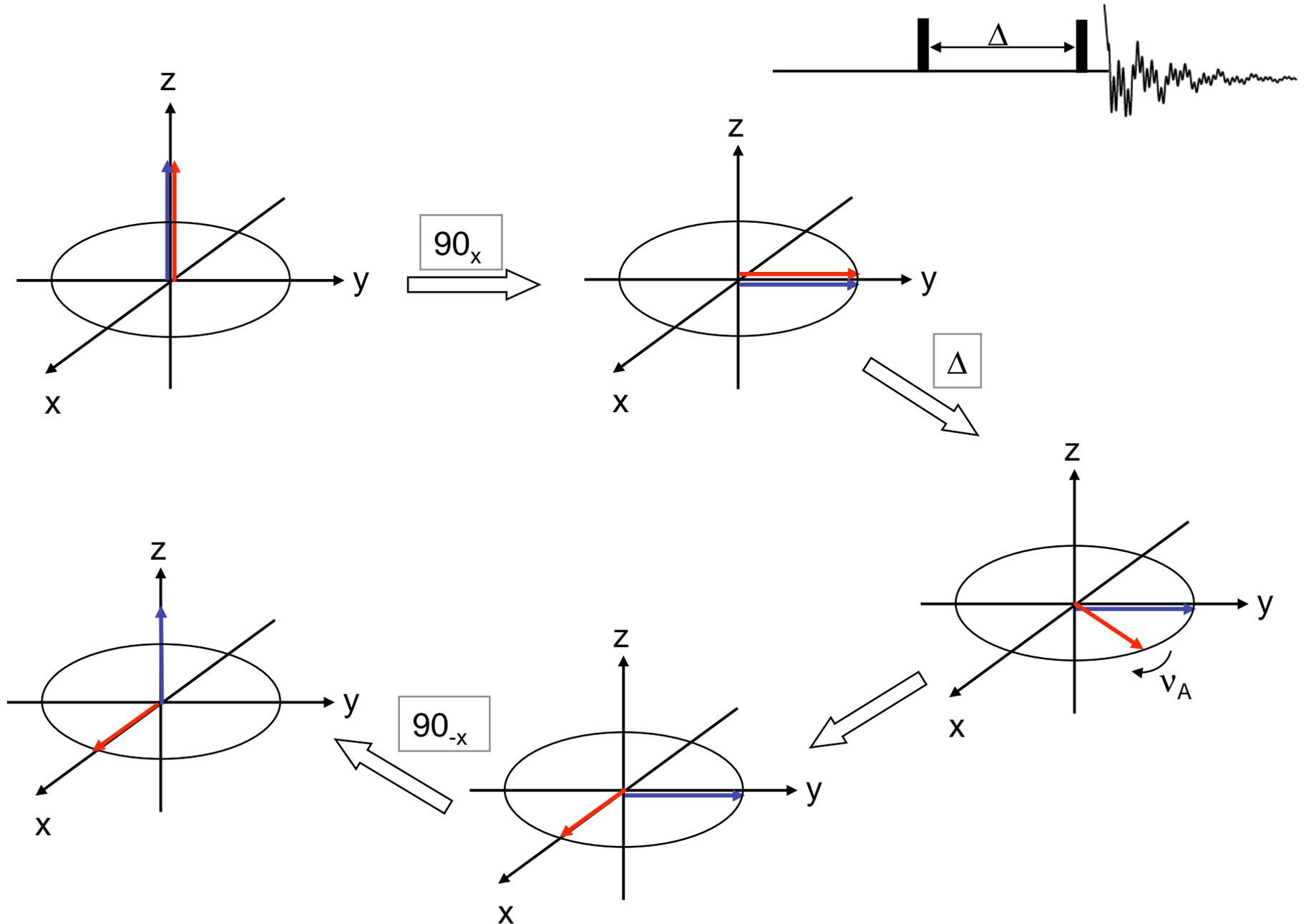
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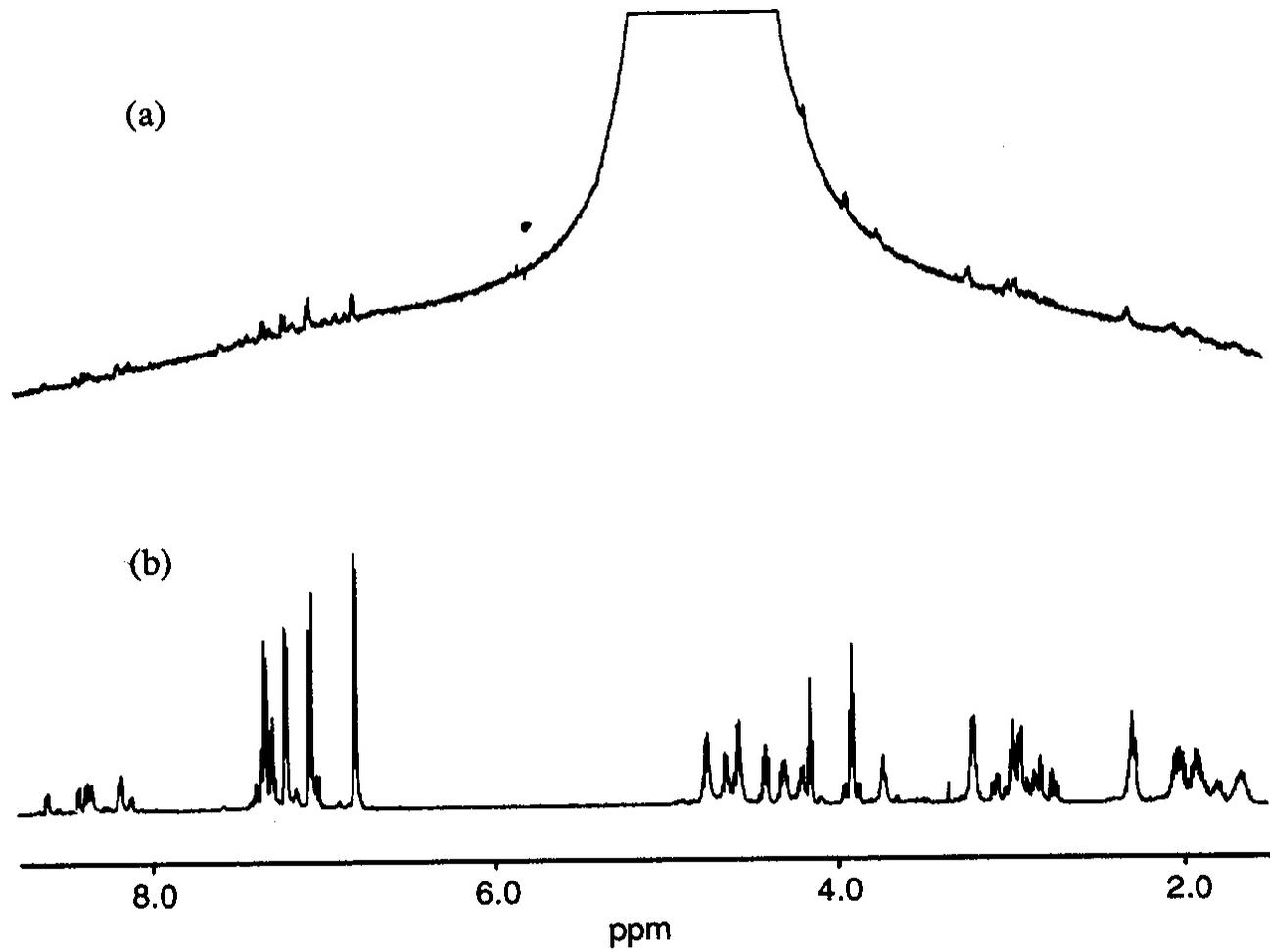
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Water suppression by the **Jump and Return** method



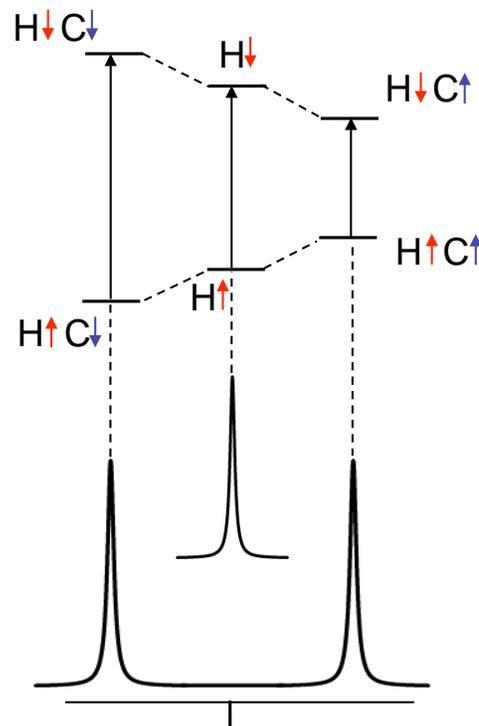
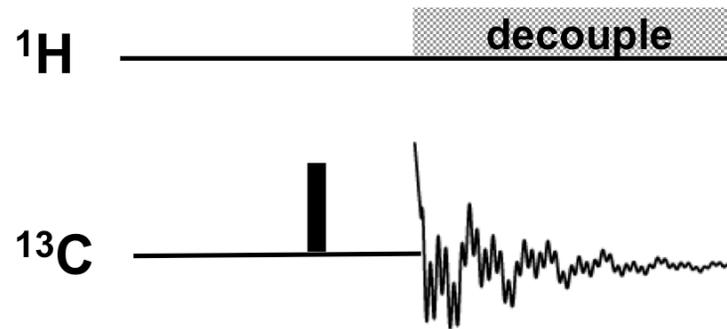
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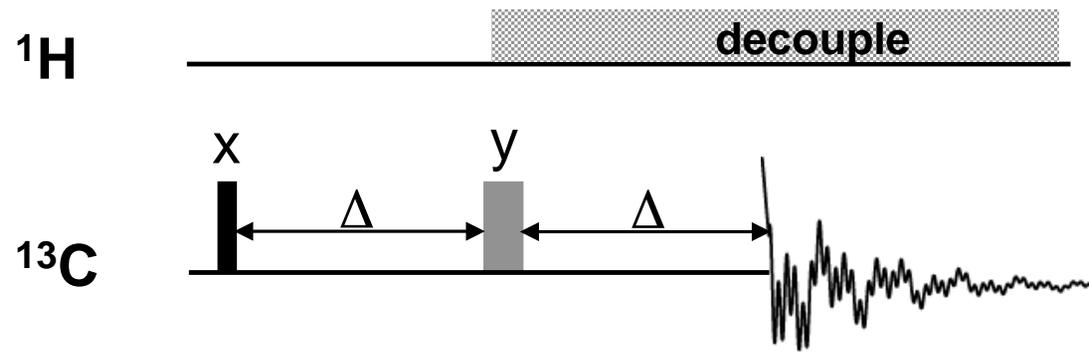
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Spin decoupling



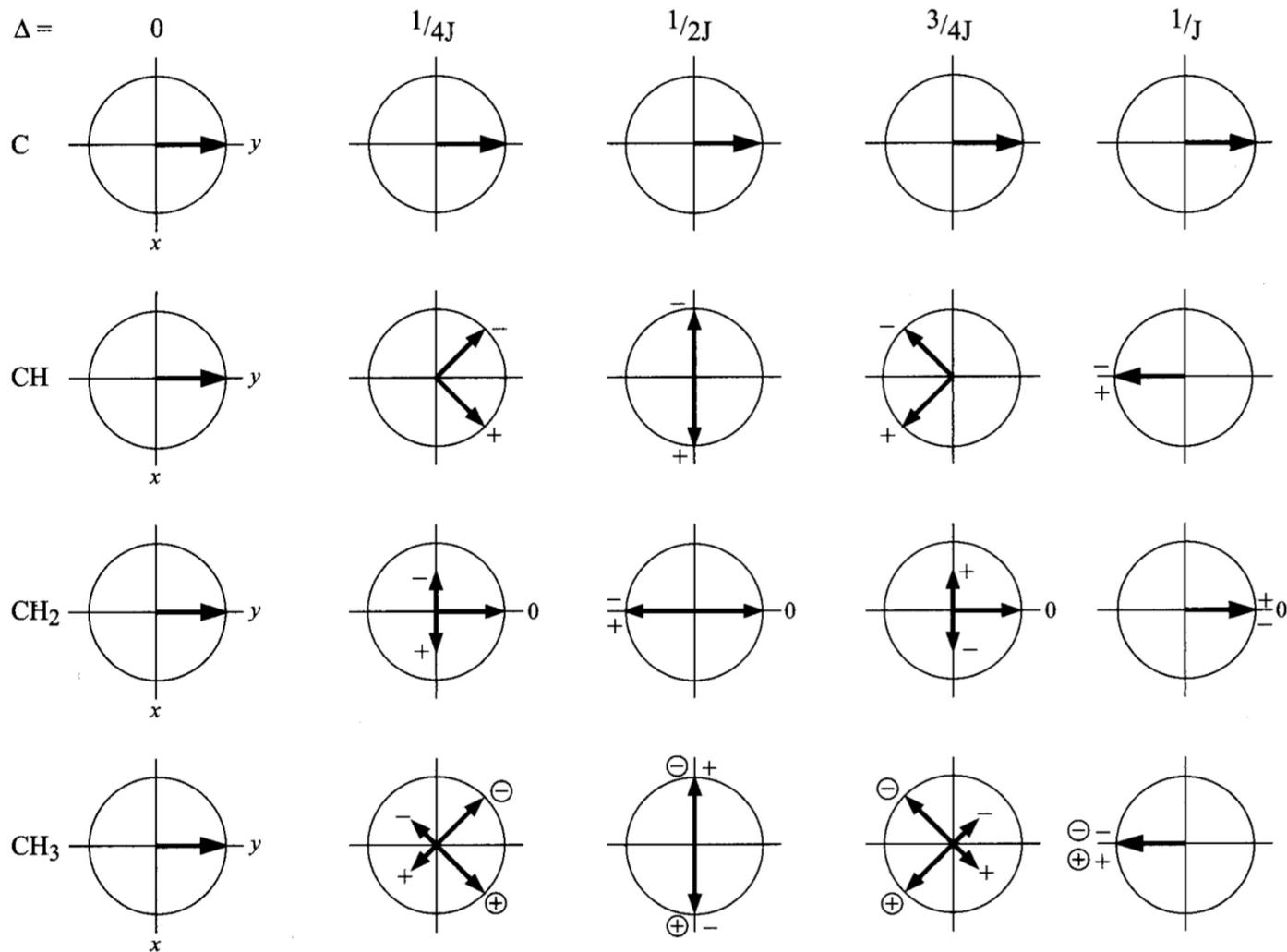
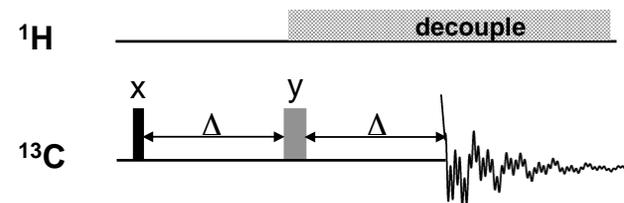
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The J-modulated spin echo



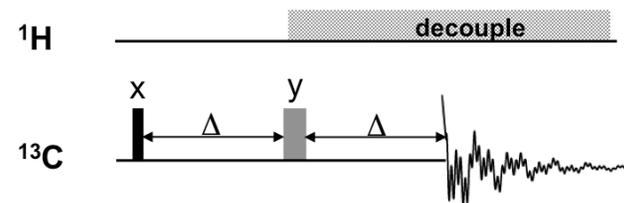
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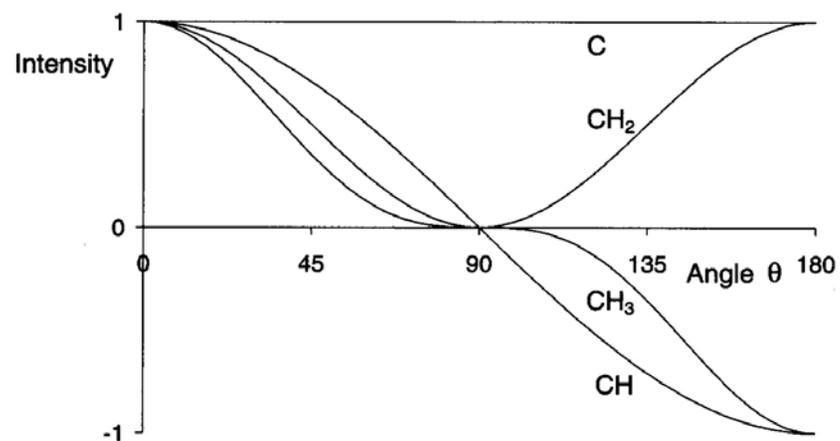
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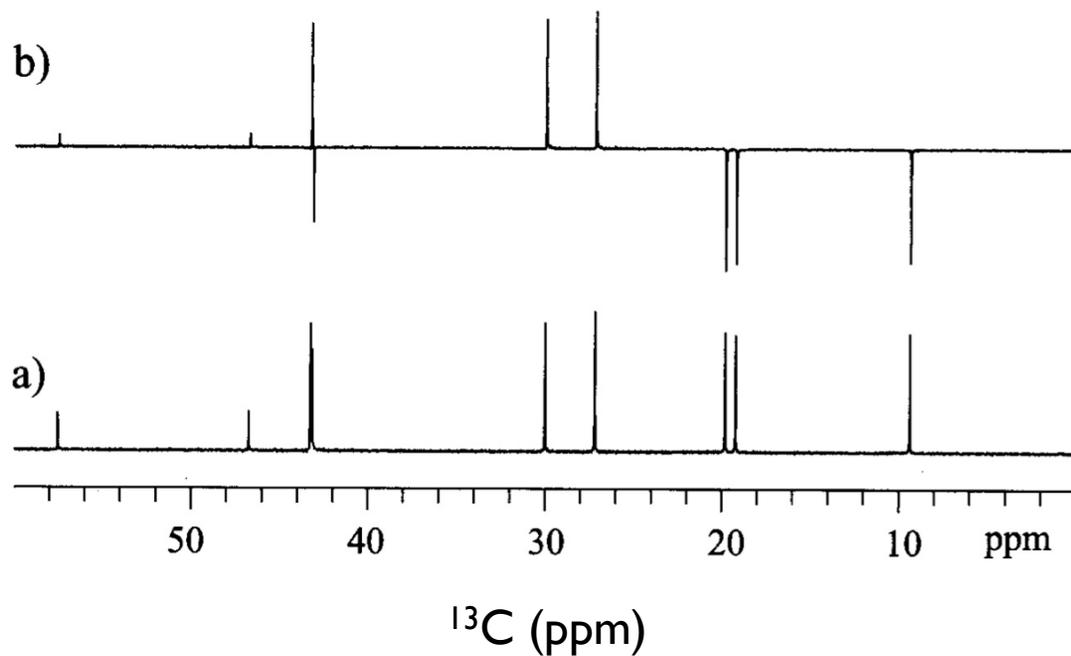
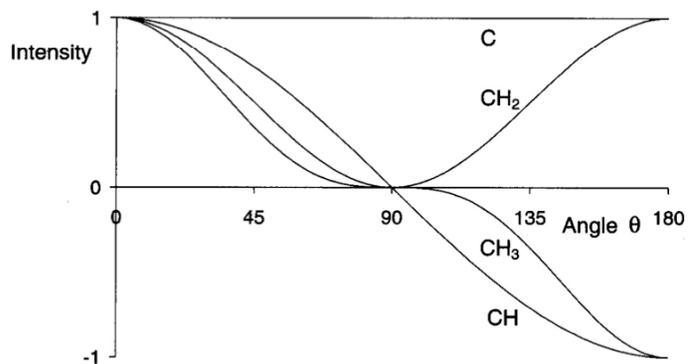
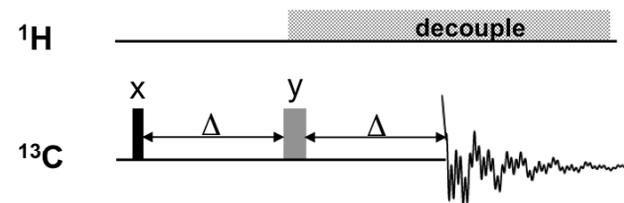
If $\theta = 180J\Delta$ degrees

$$\begin{aligned} \text{C:} & \quad I = 1 \\ \text{CH:} & \quad I \propto \cos\theta \\ \text{CH}_2: & \quad I \propto \cos^2\theta \\ \text{CH}_3: & \quad I \propto \cos^3\theta \end{aligned}$$



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The J-modulated spin echo



$$\Delta = 1/J$$

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Sensitivity enhancement

NMR has poor sensitivity compared to other analytical techniques

The intrinsic sensitivity depends upon the gyromagnetic ratio, γ

A greater γ contributes to:

- a high resonant frequency- large transition energy difference- greater Boltzmann population difference
- high magnetic moment and hence a stronger signal
- high rate of precession which induces a greater signal in the detection coil

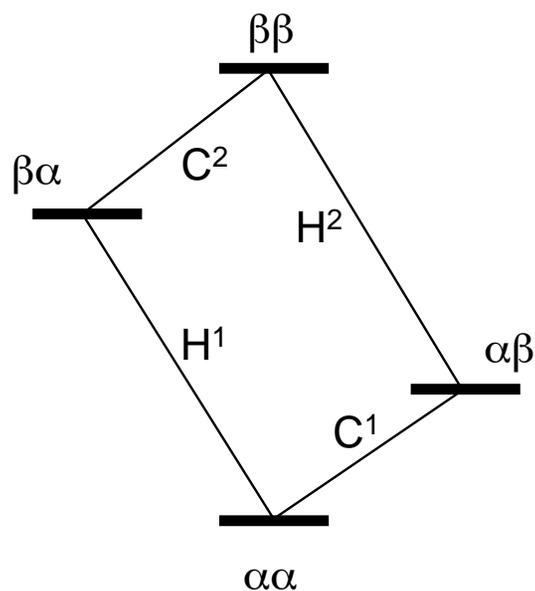
So, the strength of NMR signal is proportional to γ^3 } **S/N** $\propto \gamma^{5/2}$
Noise increases a square-root of observed frequency

$$\frac{S}{N} \propto T^{-1} B_0^{3/2} \gamma_{exc} \gamma_{obs}^{3/2} T_2^* (NS)^{1/2}$$

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Sensitivity enhancement by polarization transfer

Signal sensitivity enhancement by transferring the greater population differences of **high- γ spins** onto their **spin-coupled low- γ** partners.

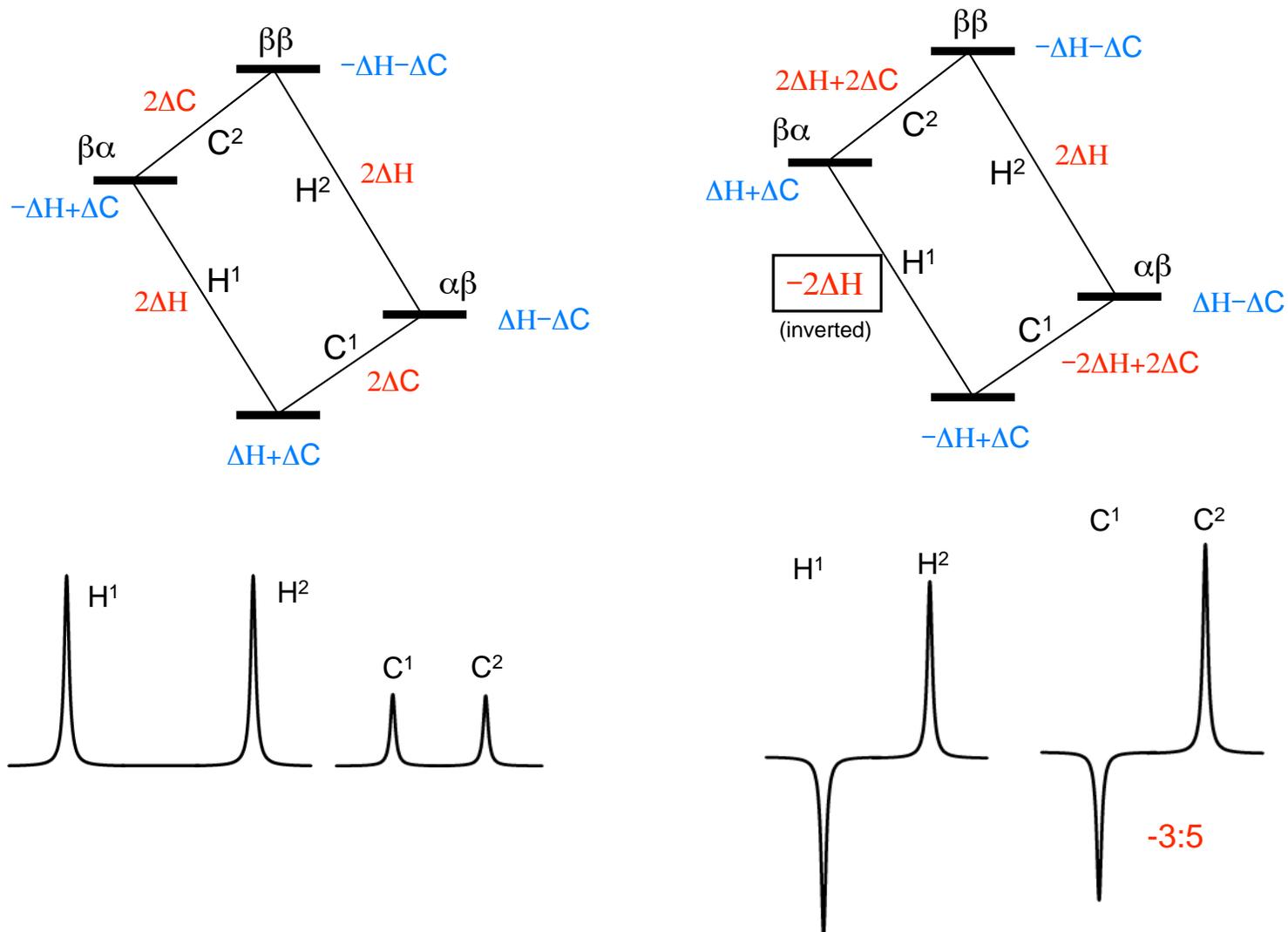


^1H - ^{13}C spin pair

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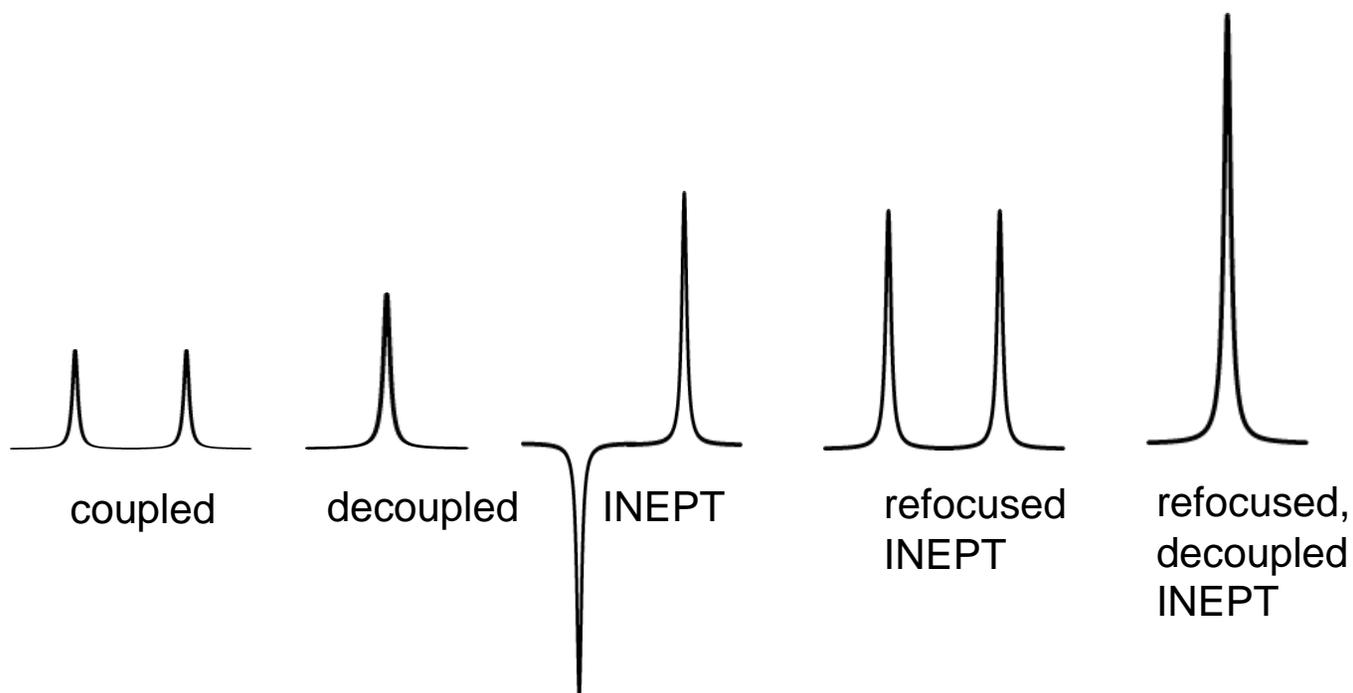
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Sensitivity enhancement by polarization transfer

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Relaxation

When perturbed, the nuclear spins need to relax to **return** to their **equilibrium** distribution

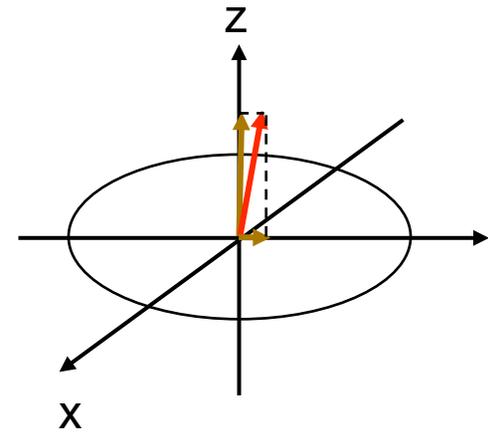
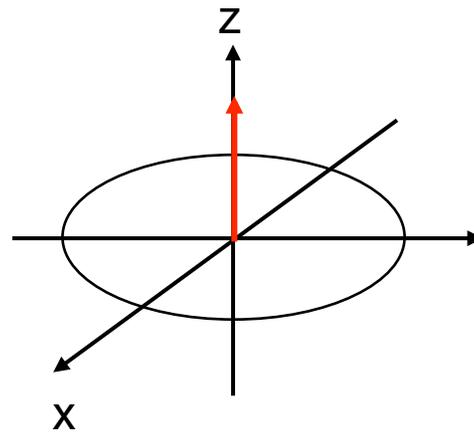
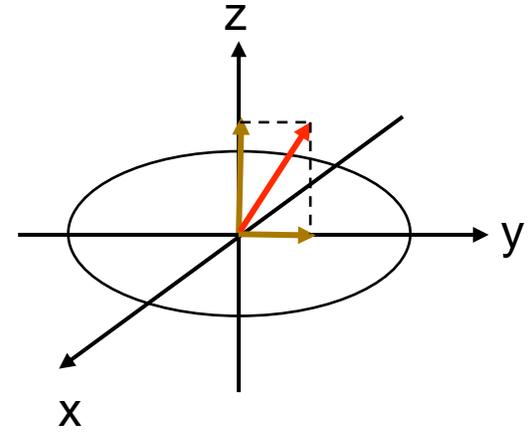
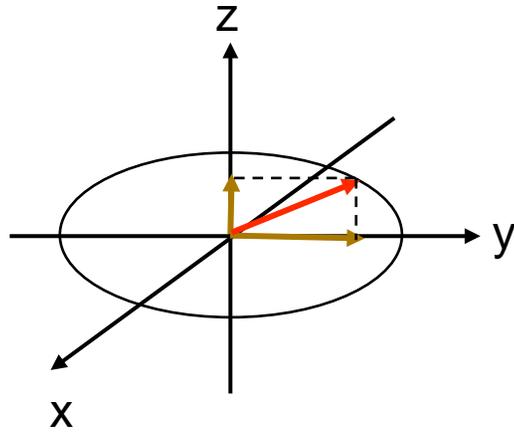
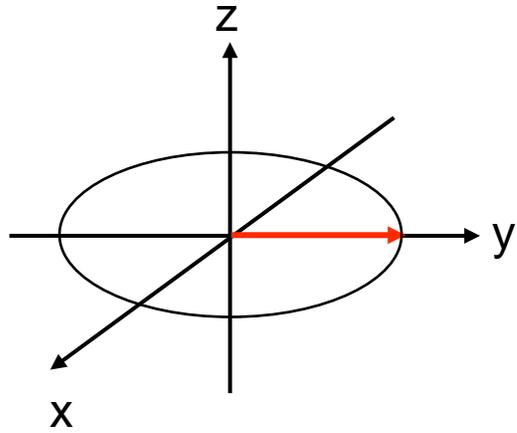
E.g. when the sample is put into a magnet, the Boltzmann distribution of spins among the energy levels changes due to a change in the energy of the various levels

E.g. after applying electromagnetic radiation, which induces transitions between energy levels, the system returns to its equilibrium

This process is called **relaxation**

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Longitudinal Relaxation: Establishing Equilibrium



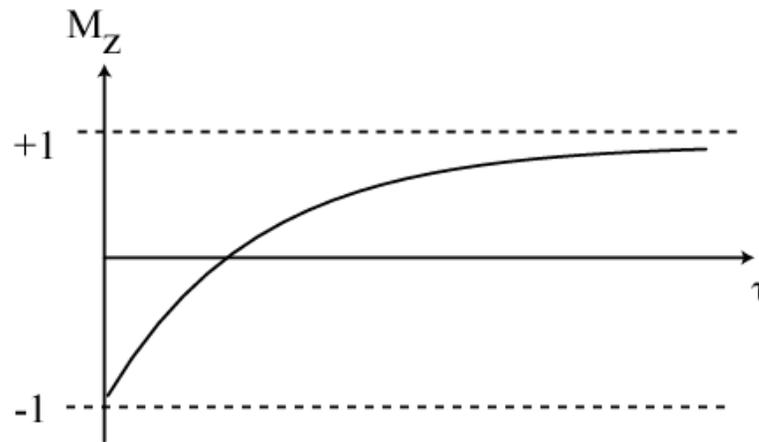
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Longitudinal Relaxation: Establishing Equilibrium

Recovery of the z-magnetization follows **exponential** behavior

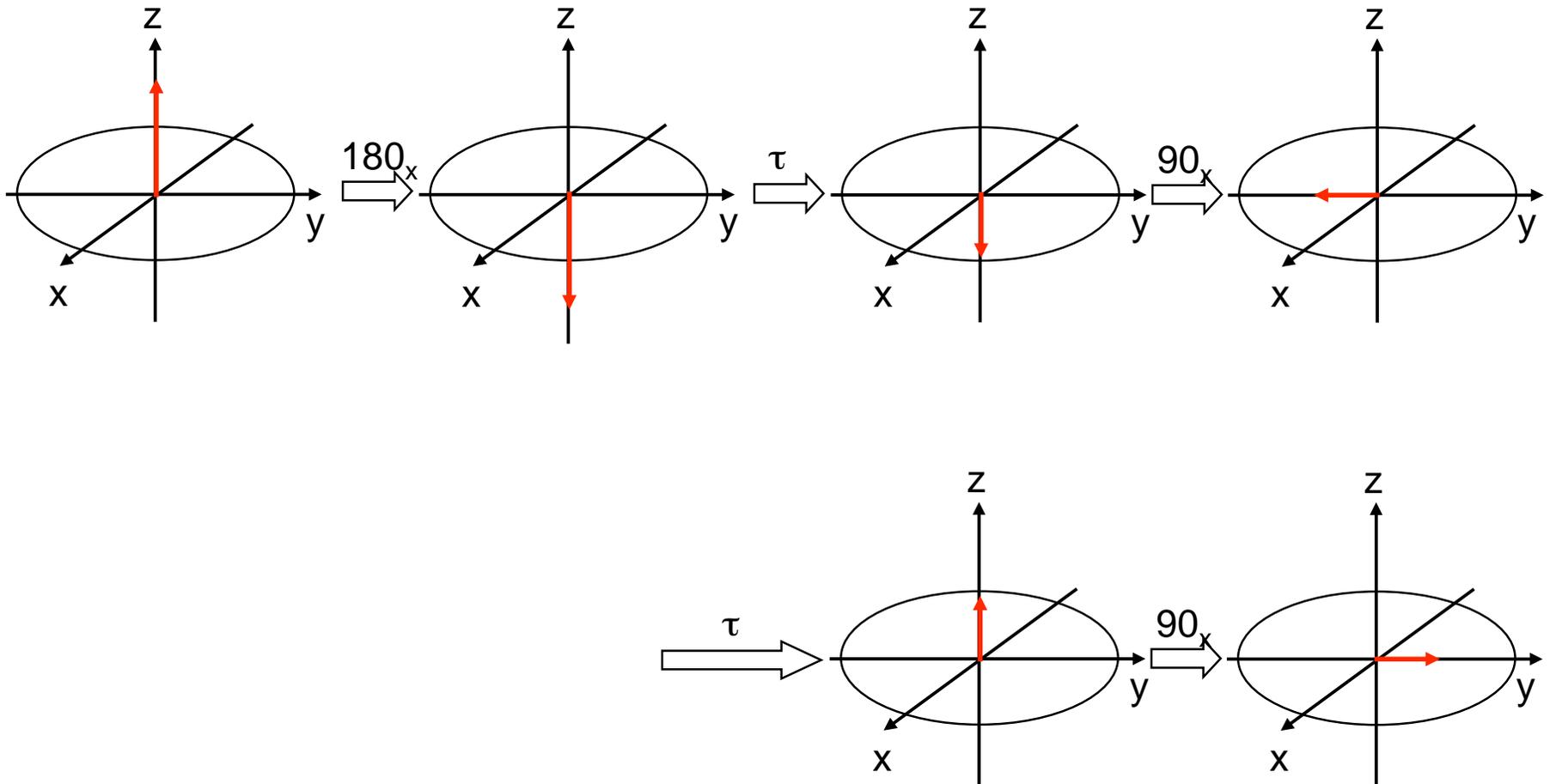
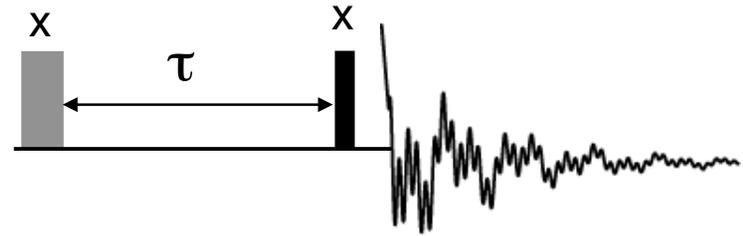
$$\frac{dM_z}{dt} = \frac{(M_0 - M_z)}{T_1} \qquad M_z = M_0 (1 - 2e^{-t/T_1})$$

where T_1 is the **longitudinal relaxation time**



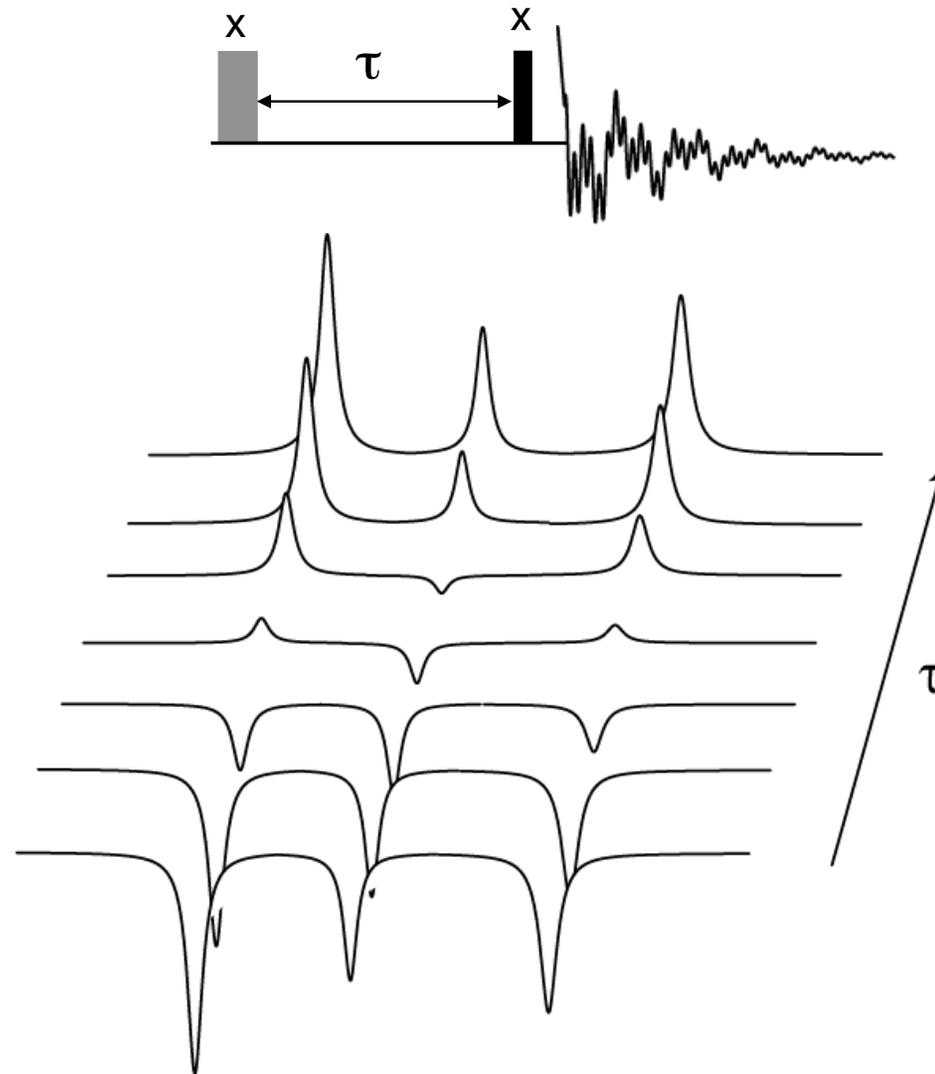
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Longitudinal Relaxation: Measurement



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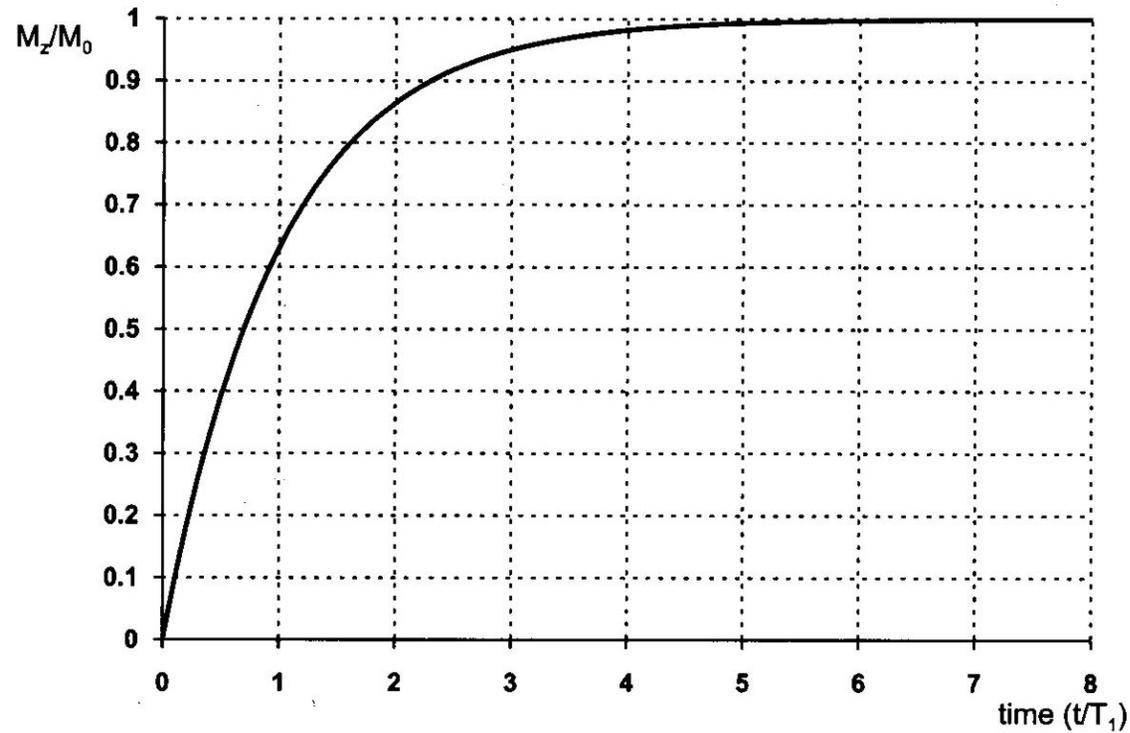
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Longitudinal Relaxation: Exponential growth

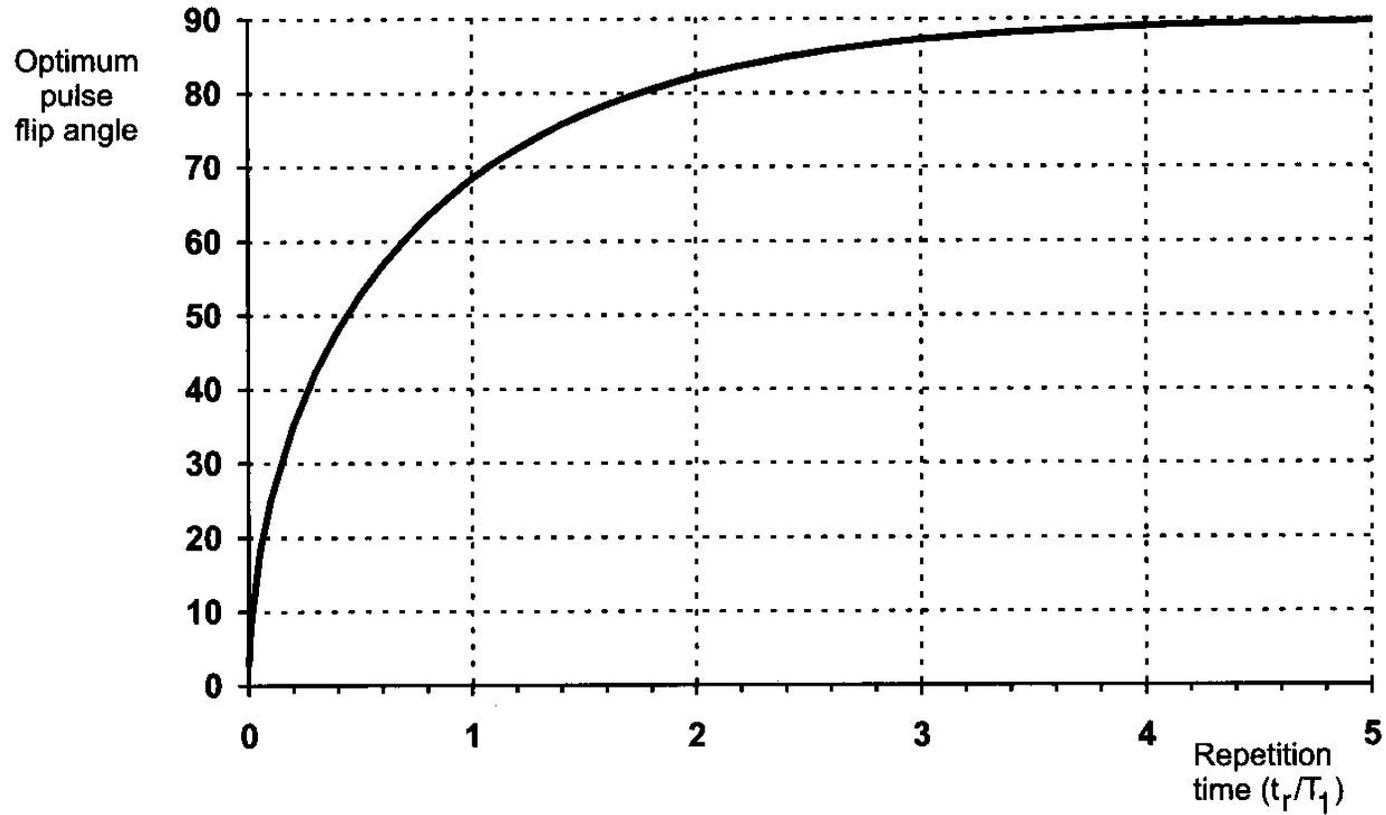
$$M_z = M_0 (1 - 2e^{-t/T_1})$$



By the end of $5T_1$ sec, the magnetization has recovered by 99.33%

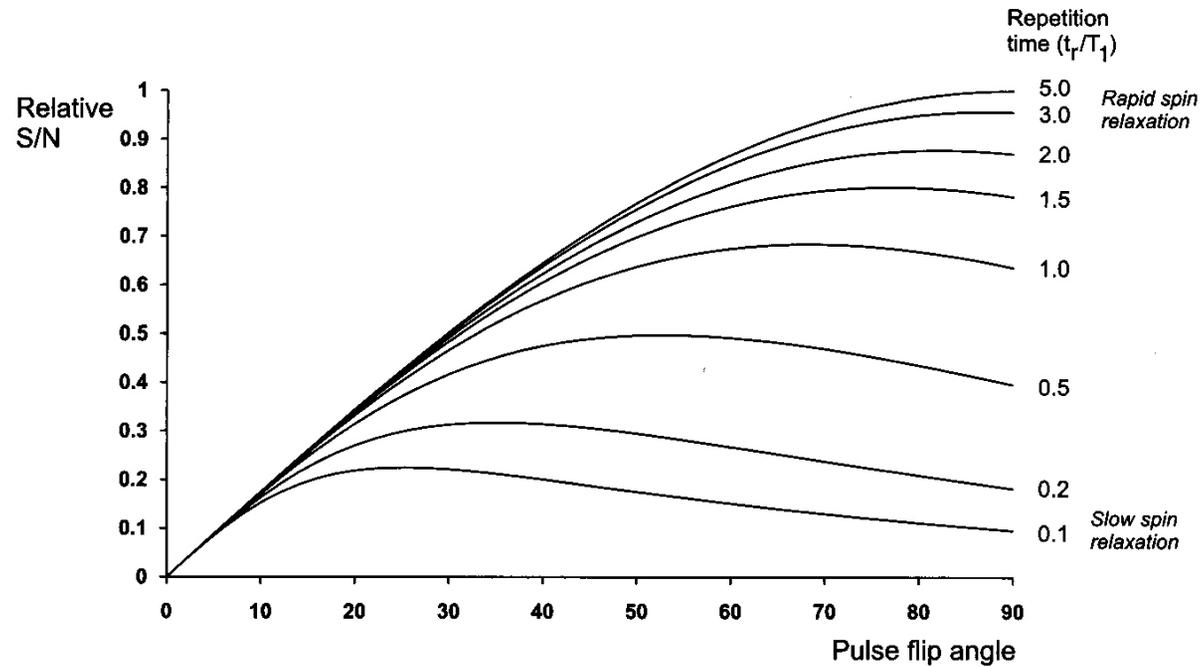
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Longitudinal Relaxation: optimizing sensitivity



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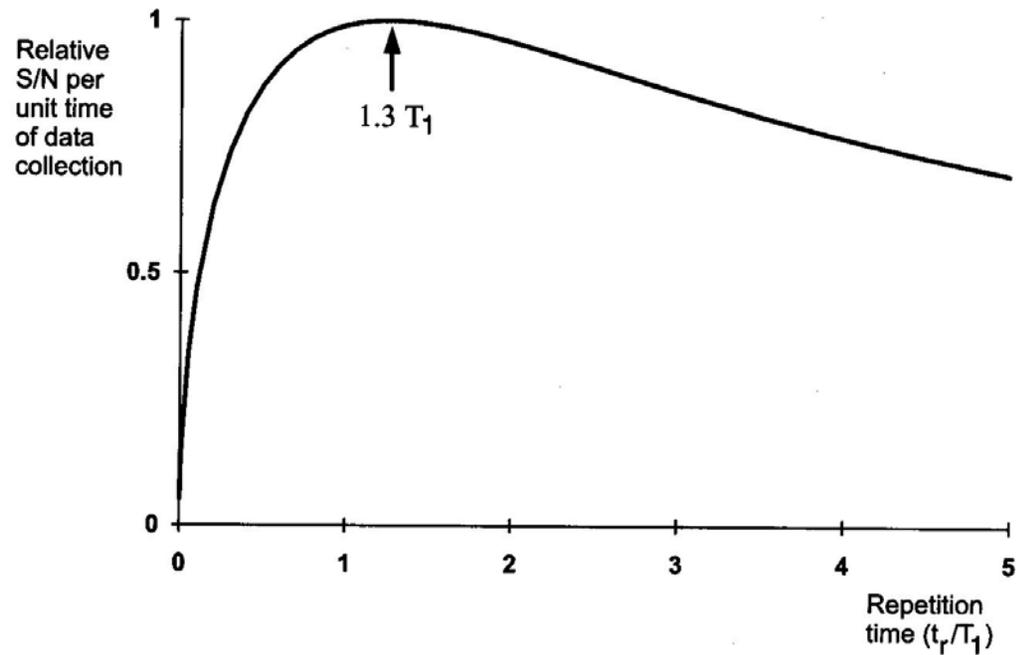
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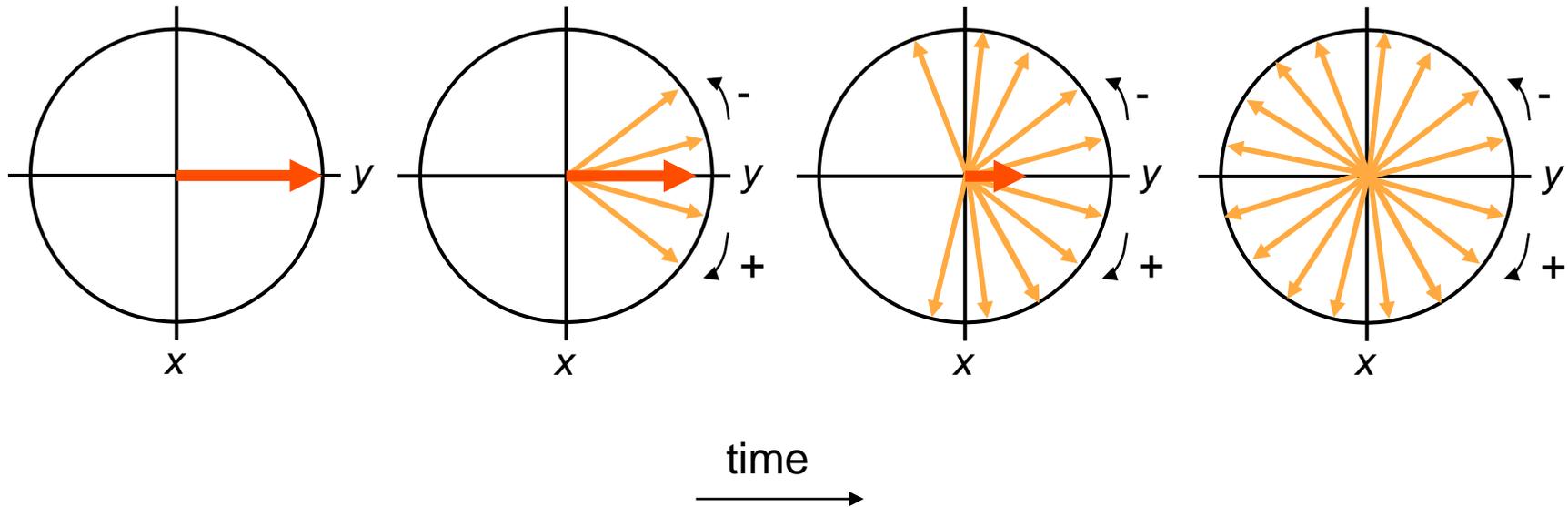
optimum pulse repetition time when using 90°



Quantitative measurements and integration

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Transverse Relaxation: magnetization loss in the x-y plane



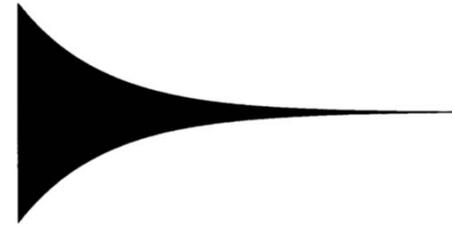
$$\frac{1}{T_2^*} = \frac{1}{T_2} + \frac{1}{T_{2(\Delta B_o)}}$$

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Transverse Relaxation: magnetization loss in the x-y plane



*short T_2
fast relaxation*

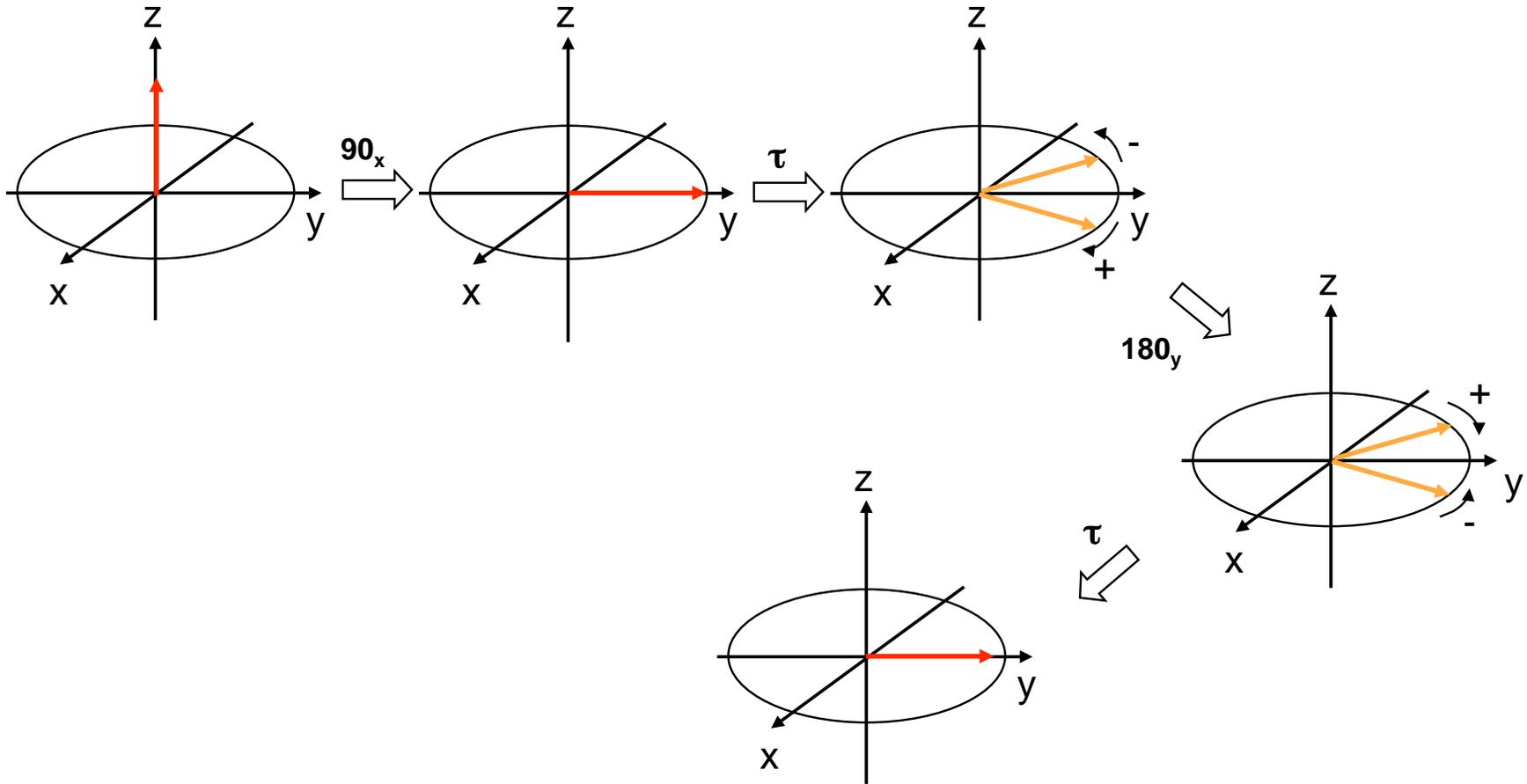
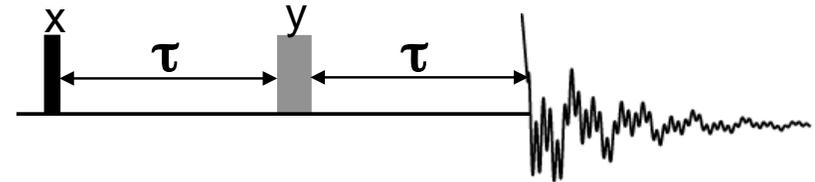


*long T_2
slow relaxation*

$$\Delta\nu = \frac{1}{\pi T_2^*}$$

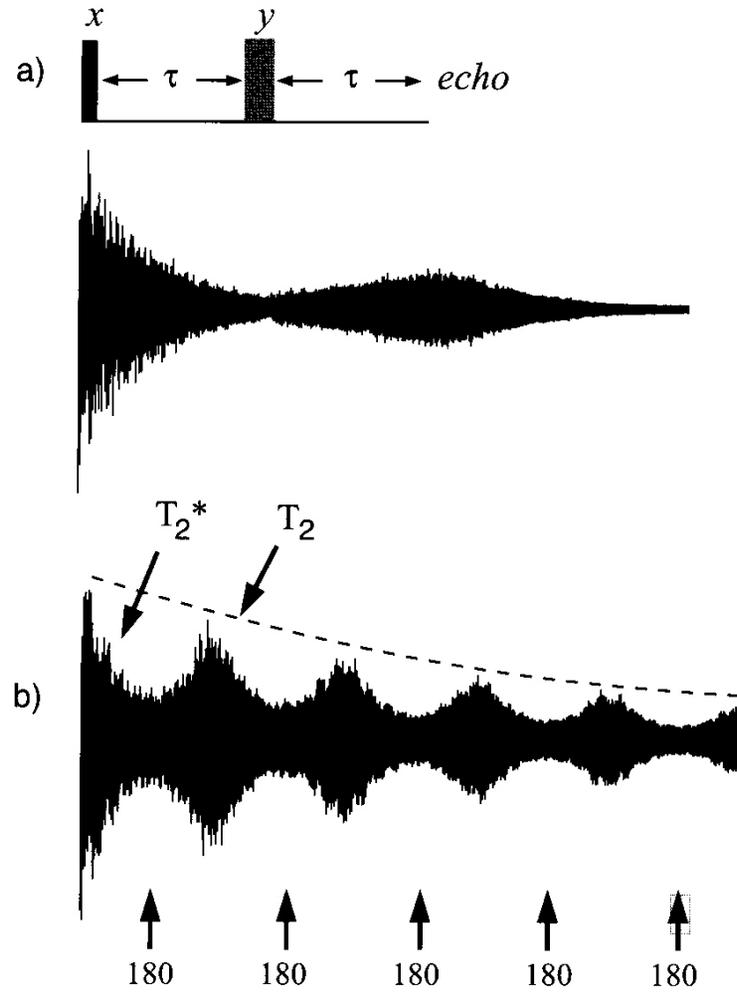
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Transverse Relaxation: Measurement



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T₁ vs T₂ Relaxation

$$T_1 \geq T_2$$

For small molecules, $T_1 \approx T_2$

For large molecules, $T_1 \gg T_2$

Longitudinal relaxation causes loss of energy from the spins (enthalpic)

Transverse relaxation occurs by mutual swapping of energy between spins (entropic)

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Relaxation mechanisms

Nuclear spin relaxation is not a spontaneous process; it requires stimulation by suitable **fluctuating fields** to induce the necessary spin transitions

Two main mechanisms

Dipole-dipole

Chemical shift anisotropy

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Relaxation mechanisms

Longitudinal relaxation requires a **time-dependent magnetic field** fluctuating at the **Larmor** frequency

The **time-dependence** originates in the **motions** of the molecule (vibration, rotation, diffusion etc)

Molecules in solution “**tumble**”. This “tumbling” can be characterized by a **rotational correlation time τ_c**

τ_c is the time needed for the rms deflection of the molecules to be ~ 1 radian (60°)



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Spectral density function

Rotational diffusion in solution occurs at a **range of frequencies**

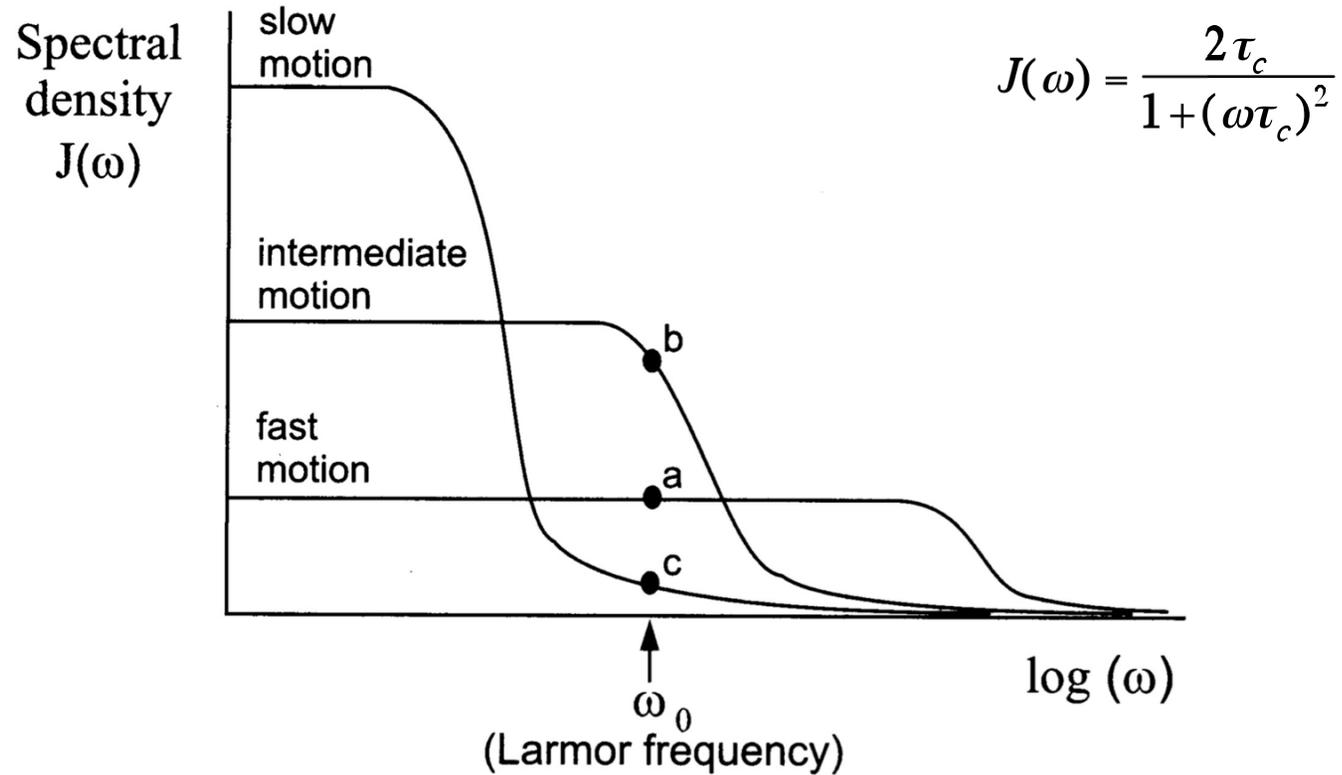
$1/\tau_c \sim$ rms rotational frequency (radians s^{-1})

The probability function of finding motions at a given angular frequency ω can be described by the spectral density function $J(\omega)$

$$J(\omega) = \frac{2\tau_c}{1 + (\omega\tau_c)^2}$$

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Spectral density function



Frequency distribution of the fluctuating magnetic fields

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Spectral density function: Longitudinal relaxation

Spins are relaxed by **local fields fluctuating** at the Larmor frequency ω_0

So, the relaxation rate (R_1) will be proportional to the $J(\omega_0)$

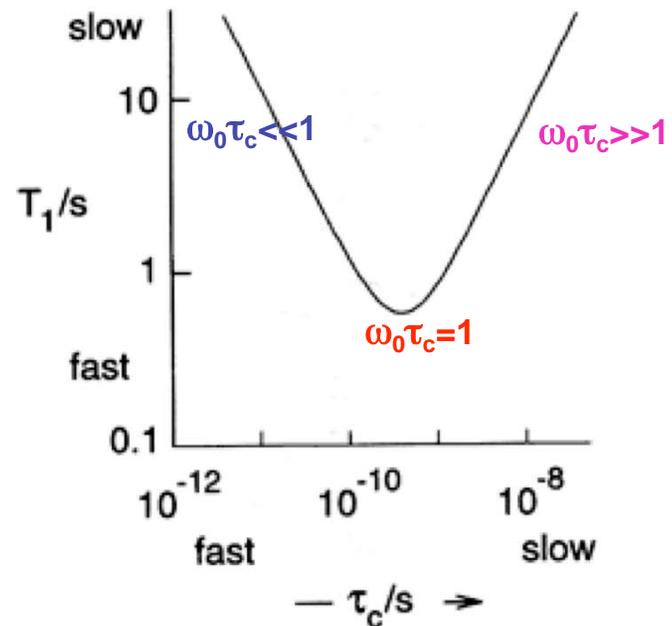
$$1/T_1 = R_1 = \gamma^2 \langle B^2 \rangle J(\omega_0)$$

Knowing the form of $J(\omega)$ we can predict the dependence of the spin-lattice relaxation time ($T_1 = 1/R_1$) on the correlation time τ_c for a given NMR frequency ω_0

$\omega_0\tau_c=1$, $J(\omega_0) = \tau_c = 1/\omega_0$
and T_1 is **minimum** (R_1 maximum)

$\omega_0\tau_c \ll 1$ (small molecules), $J(\omega_0) \sim 2\tau_c$ and T_1
decreases (R_1 increases) **with increasing** τ_c
(e.g. by decreasing the temperature)

$\omega_0\tau_c \gg 1$ (large molecules), $J(\omega_0) \sim 2/\omega_0^2\tau_c$
and T_1 **increases** (R_1 decreases) **with**
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Relaxation mechanisms: Dipole-dipole

Nuclei with non-zero quantum numbers have magnetic dipoles

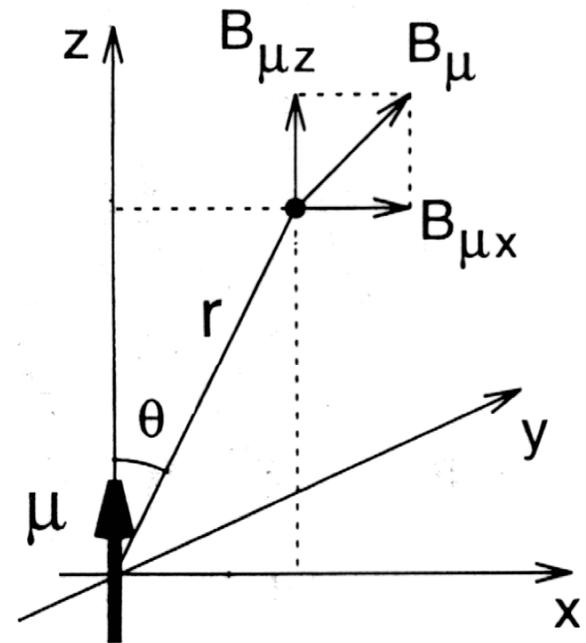
They behave like small magnets and induce small magnetic fields that affect neighboring nuclei

Magnetic field, \mathbf{B}_μ , generated by a magnetic dipole μ

$$B_{\mu x} = \left(\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi}\right)\left(\frac{\mu}{r^3}\right)(3\sin\theta \cos\theta)$$

$$B_{\mu y} = 0$$

$$B_{\mu z} = \left(\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi}\right)\left(\frac{\mu}{r^3}\right)(3\cos^2\theta - 1)$$

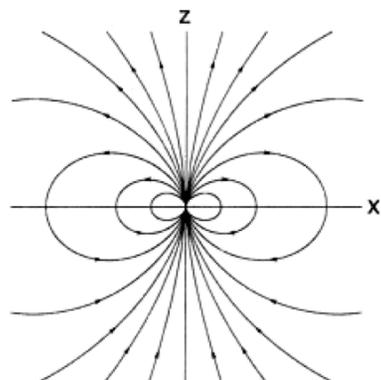


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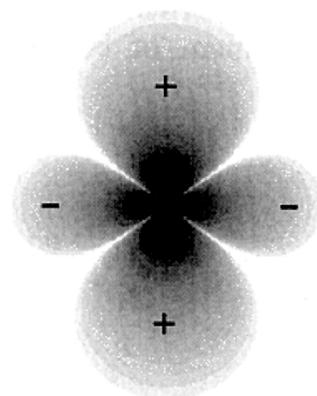
Relaxation mechanisms: Dipole-dipole

Representation of the dipolar magnetic field B_{μ} , generated by a magnetic dipole μ

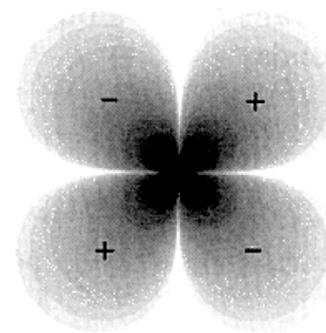
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density plots



$B_{\mu z}$



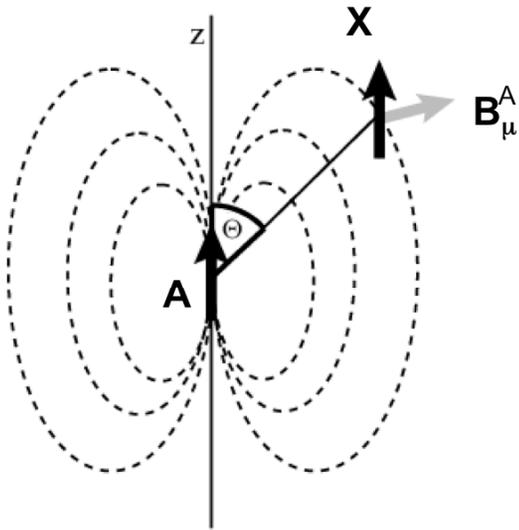
$B_{\mu x}$

$B_{\mu z}$ is zero for $\theta = \pm 54.7^\circ$ (magic angle)

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Relaxation mechanisms: Dipole-dipole

The **z** component of their dipole magnetic field will affect the field experienced by the other nucleus and cause splitting



$$B^X = B_0 \pm B_{\mu Z}^A \quad \pm \text{ sign refers to the quantum number of A } (\pm 1/2)$$

Thus, the splitting in the spectrum of X is

$$J_{dipolar}^{heteronuclear} = K_{AX}(3 \cos^2 \theta - 1)$$

$$2\pi K_{AX} = \left(\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \right) \frac{\hbar \gamma_A \gamma_X}{r_{AX}^3}$$

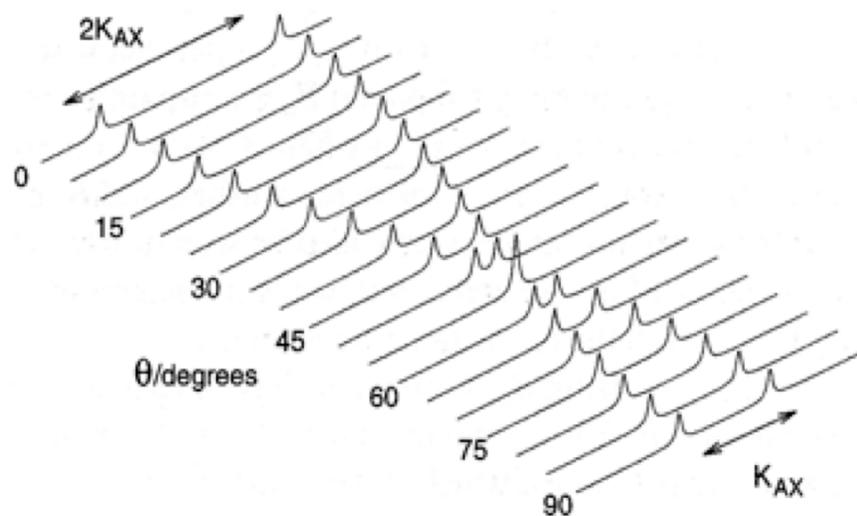
K_{AX} vary with the distance

e.g. K_{CH} is 9000 Hz at 1.5 Å and 30 Hz at 10 Å

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Relaxation mechanisms: Dipole-dipole

Splitting of the AX spectrum depends on θ



In a crystal with fixed distances and angles the **dipolar splitting vary with the crystal orientation** with respect to the external magnetic field

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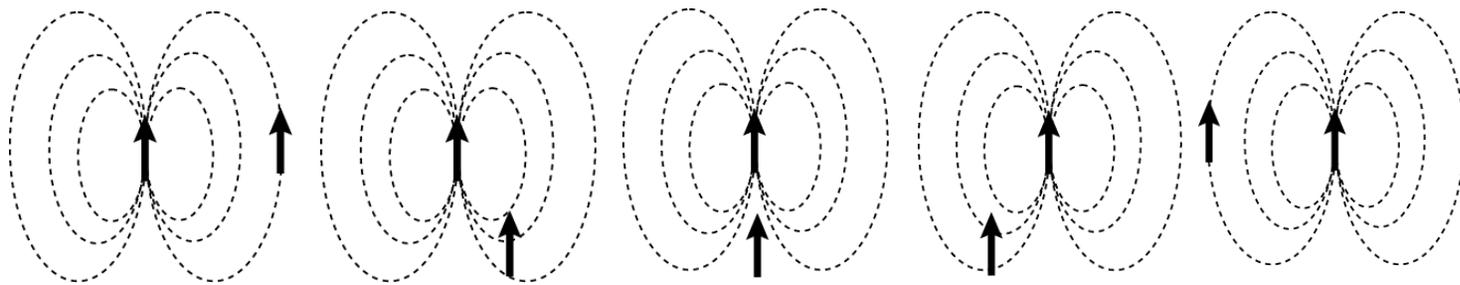
Relaxation mechanisms: Dipole-dipole

Molecules in liquids rotate, “tumble” rapidly with typical frequencies between 10^{12} to 10^8 Hz for small molecules and proteins, respectively.

Those frequencies are much larger than typical dipolar couplings (10^5 Hz)

The angular part of the dipolar splitting is averaged over all possible orientation to 0

Although they are not directly observed in solution, dipolar couplings play an important role in spin relaxation



The local field experienced at one nucleus as a result of its neighbor will **fluctuate** as the molecule **tumbles**

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Relaxation mechanisms: Dipole-dipole

$$R_1 = \frac{1}{T_1} = \left(\frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \right)^2 \frac{\gamma_I^2 \gamma_S^2 \hbar^2 \tau_c}{r_{IS}^6}$$

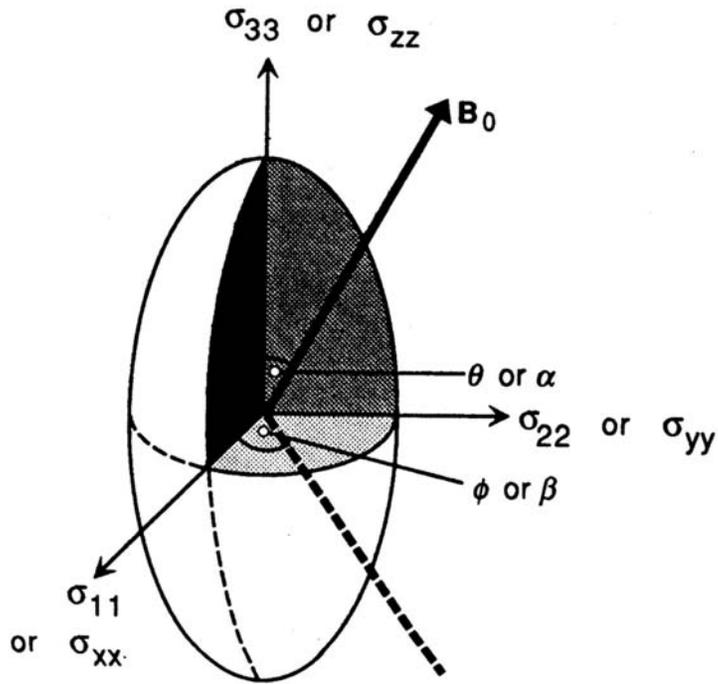
R_1 depend of the gyromagnetic ratio of the nuclei (e.g. H-H relaxation more efficient than C-H)

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Relaxation mechanisms: Chemical shift anisotropy

The distribution of the electrons about the nucleus is non-spherical- thus, the **magnitude** of the shielding depends on the relative **orientation** of the nucleus with respect to the static field.

As the molecule tumbles, it creates a fluctuating magnetic field



$$R_1 = \frac{1}{T_{1(CSA)}} = \frac{2}{15} \gamma^2 B_0^2 (\Delta\sigma^2) \tau_c$$

NMR Spectroscopy

Nuclear Overhauser Effect (NOE)

NOE: change in intensity of one resonance when the spin transitions of another are perturbed from their equilibrium populations

perturbation: saturation or inversion

The two spins should “**communicate**” through **dipole-dipole** interaction

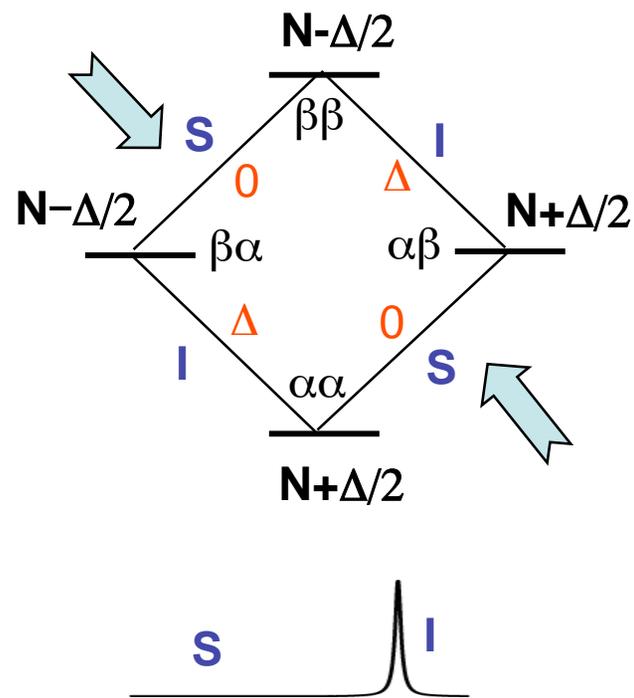
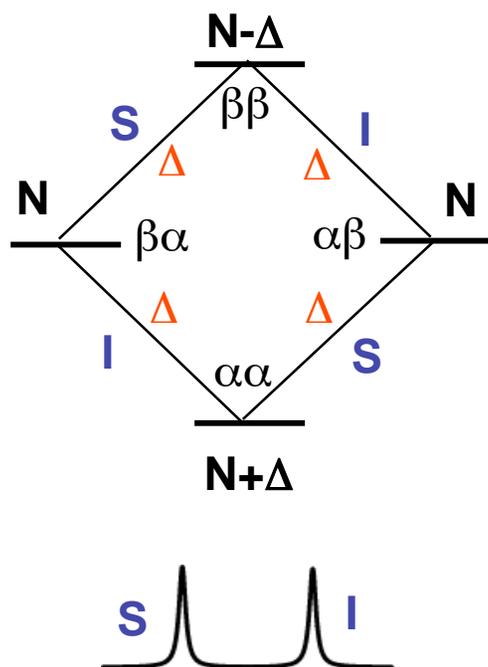
$$\eta_I \{S\} = \frac{I - I_o}{I_o} \times 100 (\%)$$

NOE is observed for spin I when spin S is perturbed

NMR Spectroscopy

Nuclear Overhauser Effect (NOE)

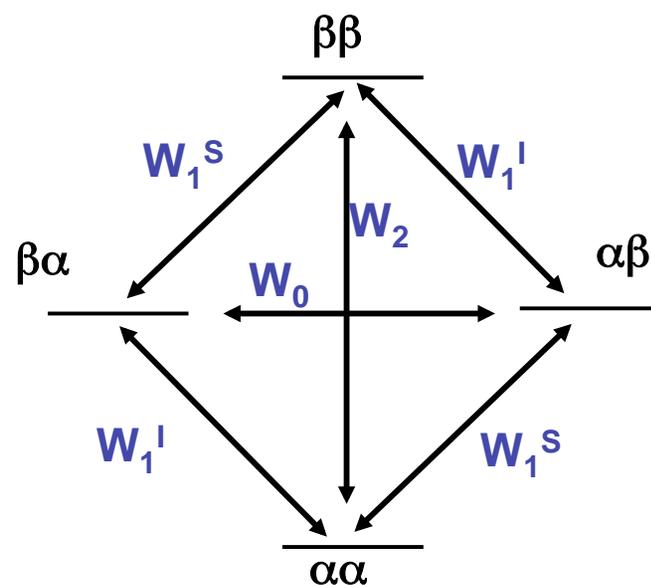
Origin of the NOE



NMR Spectroscopy

Nuclear Overhauser Effect (NOE)

Six possible transitions in a two-spin system

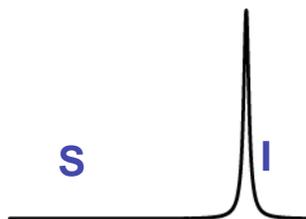
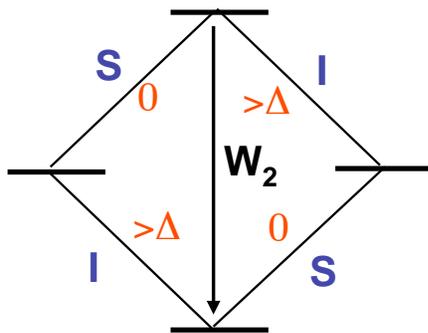
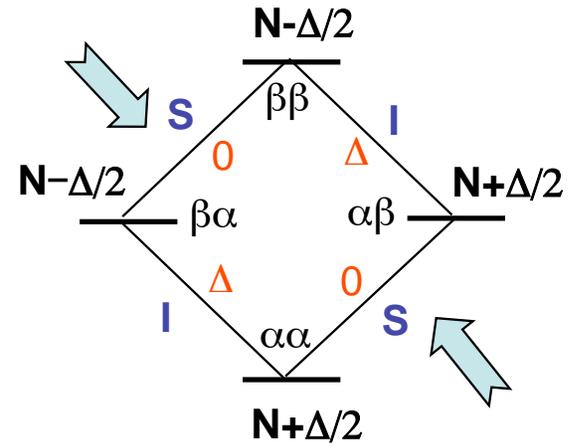
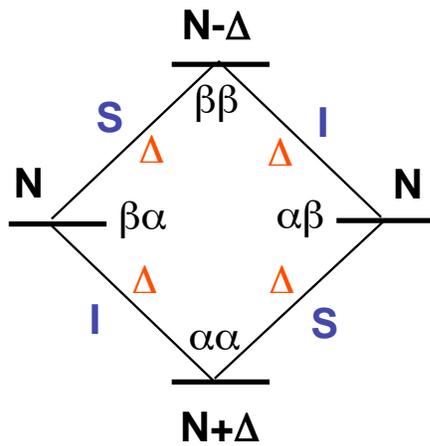


Only single transitions can be observed by NMR (W_1)

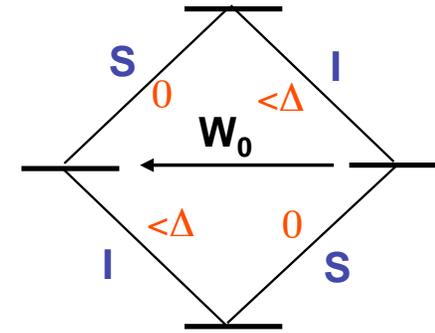
W_0 and W_2 are **cross-relaxation** pathways, responsible for the NOE

NMR Spectroscopy

Nuclear Overhauser Effect (NOE)



positive NOE



negative NOE

NMR Spectroscopy

Nuclear Overhauser Effect (NOE)

W_1 tends to reduce the magnitude of the NOE

Saturating for a period of time that is long relative to the relaxation times allows a new **steady-state of populations** to arise

$$\eta_I \{S\} = \left[\frac{W_2 - W_0}{W_0 + 2W_1^I + W_2} \right] \equiv \left[\frac{\sigma_{IS}}{\rho_{IS}} \right]$$

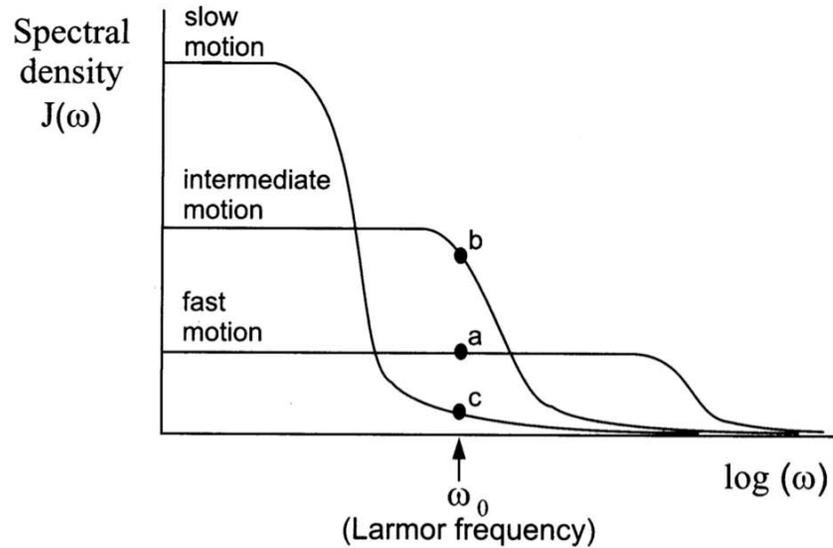
σ_{IS} , cross-relaxation rate: dictates the sign of the NOE

ρ_{IS} , dipolar longitudinal relaxation rate of spin I: it serves to reduce the magnitude

Thus, NOE is related to molecular motion!

NMR Spectroscopy

Nuclear Overhauser Effect (NOE)



^1H at 400 MHz

\mathbf{W}_1 at 400 MHz

\mathbf{W}_2 at 800 MHz ($\mathbf{W}_1 + \mathbf{W}_S$)- stimulated by rapidly tumbling molecules

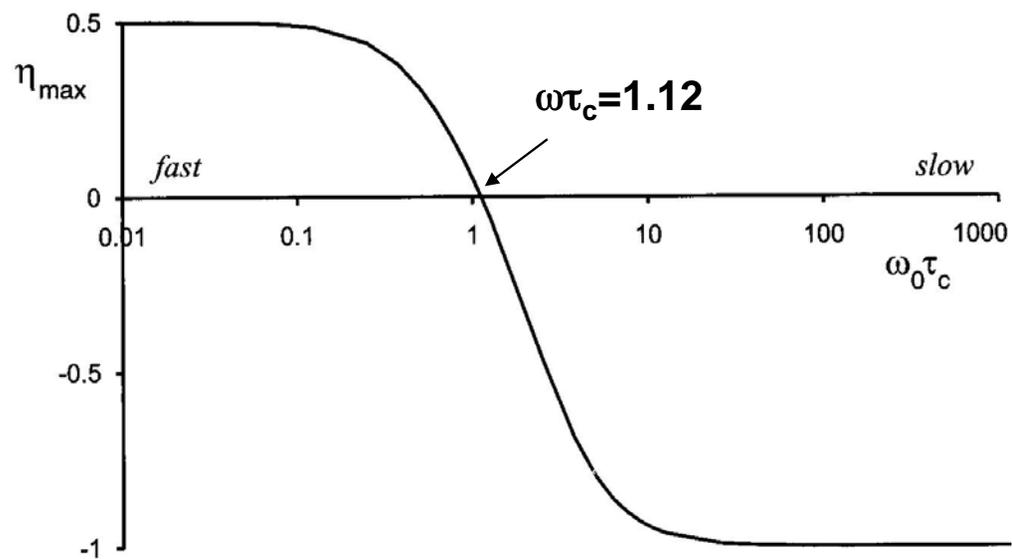
\mathbf{W}_0 at Hz-kHZ ($|\mathbf{W}_1 - \mathbf{W}_S|$)- stimulated by slowly tumbling molecules

Small molecules exhibit **positive** NOEs

Large molecules exhibit **negative** NOEs

NMR Spectroscopy

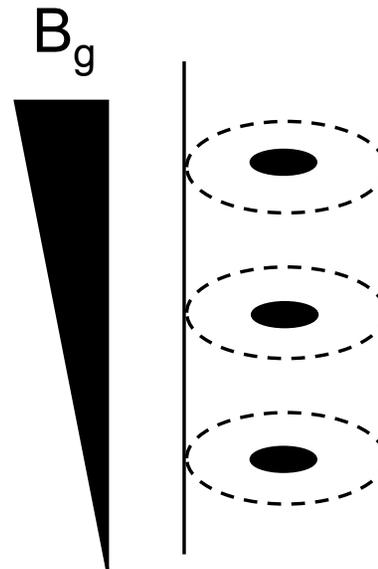
Nuclear Overhauser Effect (NOE)



Variation in NOE as a function of molecular tumbling rates

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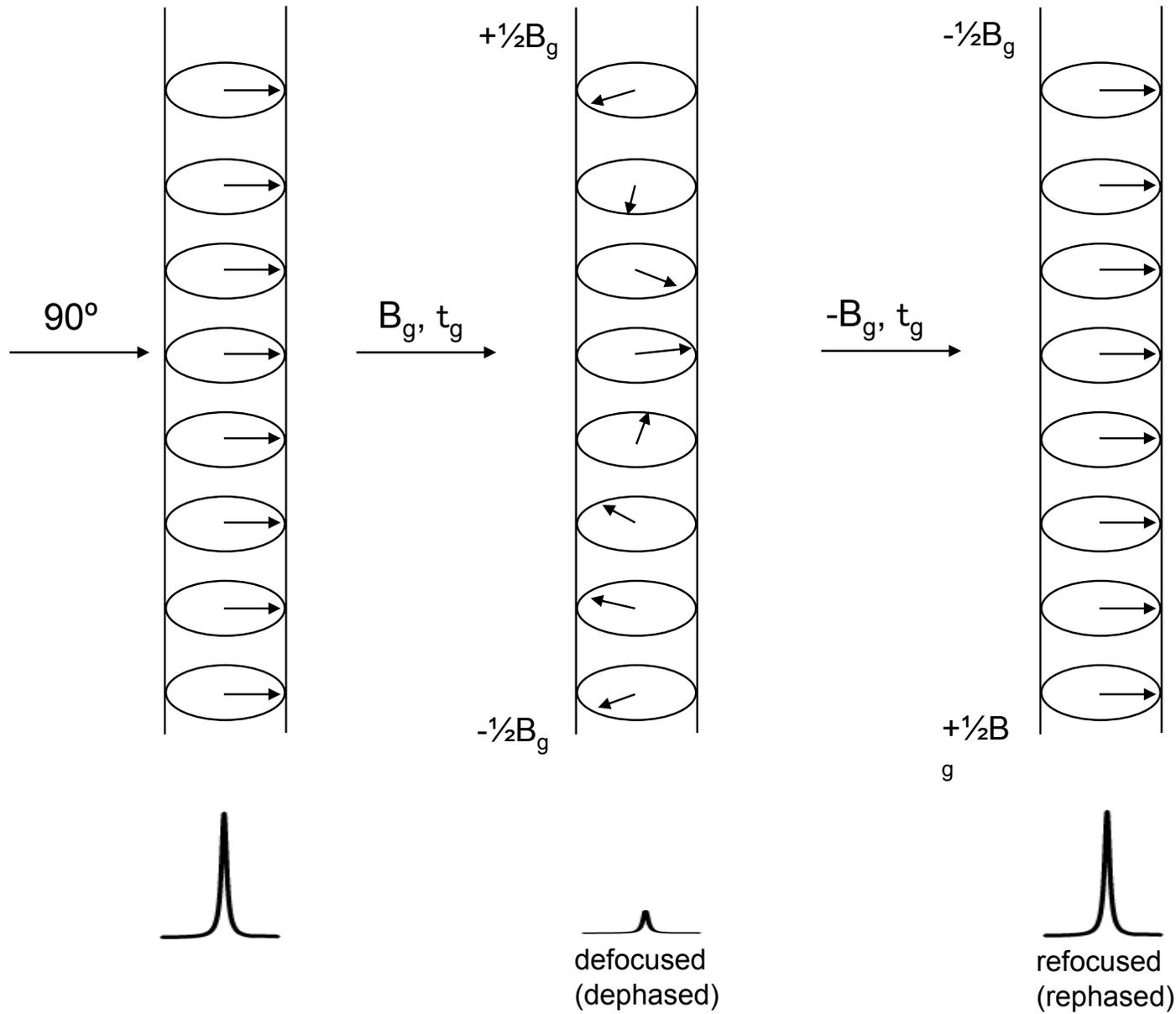
Field gradient



Variation of magnetic field strength along the z axis

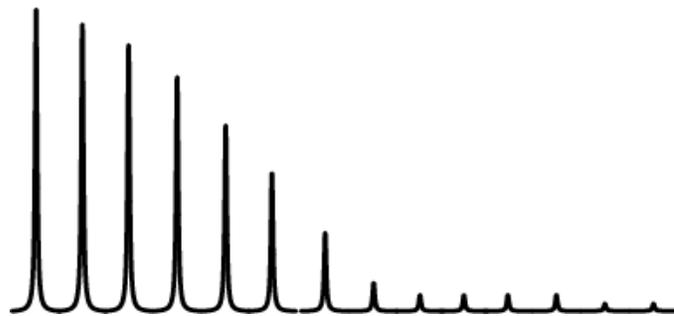
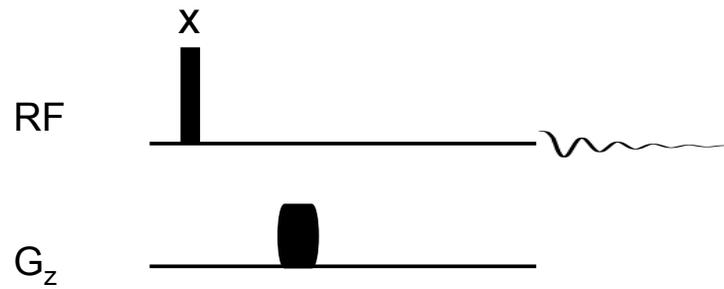
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Field gradient



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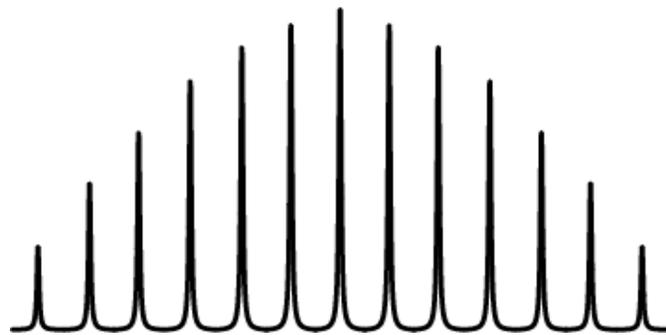
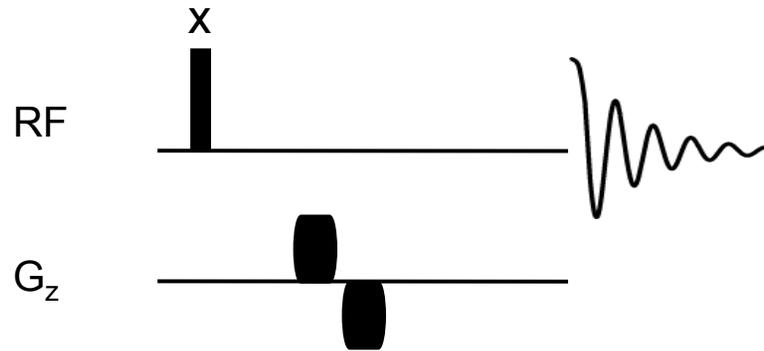
Field gradient



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stronger gradient

NMR Spectroscopy

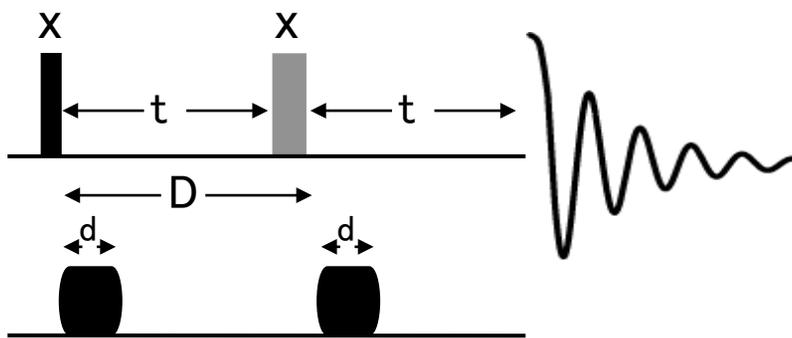
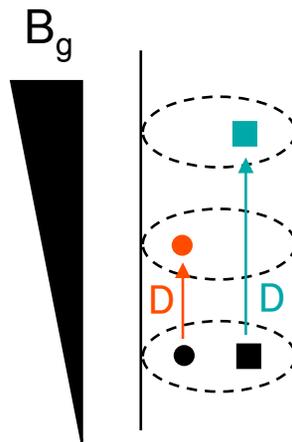
Field gradient



Variation of the second gradient pulse (90 to 110% of the first)

NMR Spectroscopy

Diffusion-ordered spectroscopy



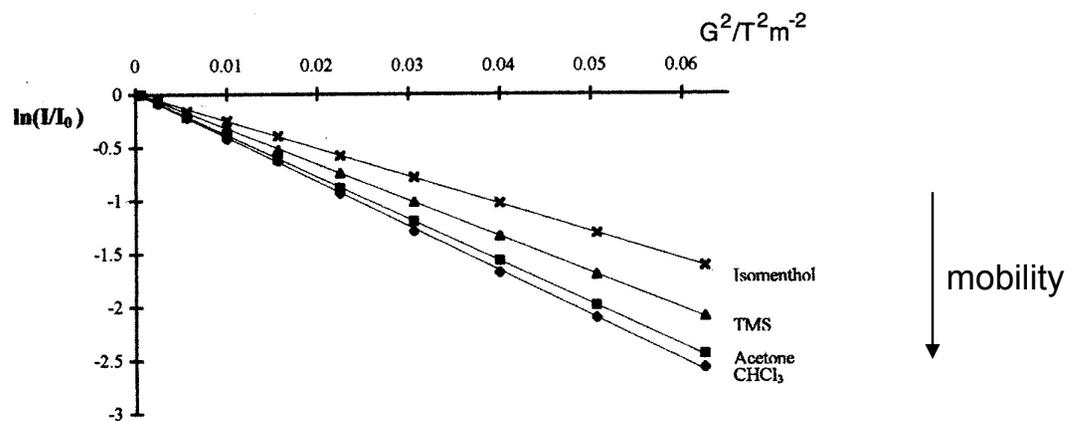
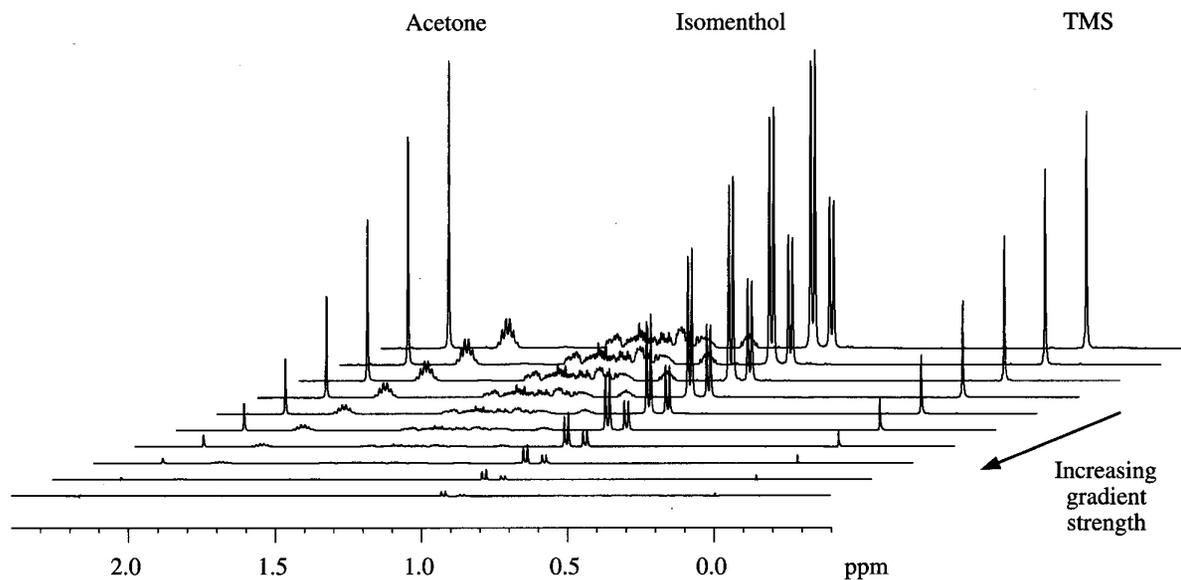
$$I = I_0 \exp\left(\frac{-2\tau}{T_2} - (\gamma\delta G)^2 D \left(\Delta - \frac{\delta}{3}\right)\right)$$

G gradient strength

D diffusion coefficient

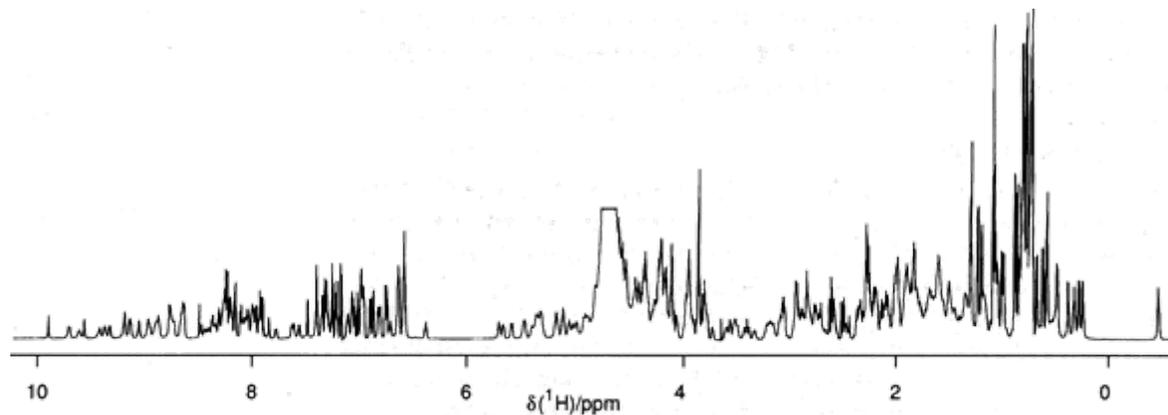
NMR Spectroscopy

Diffusion-ordered spectroscopy

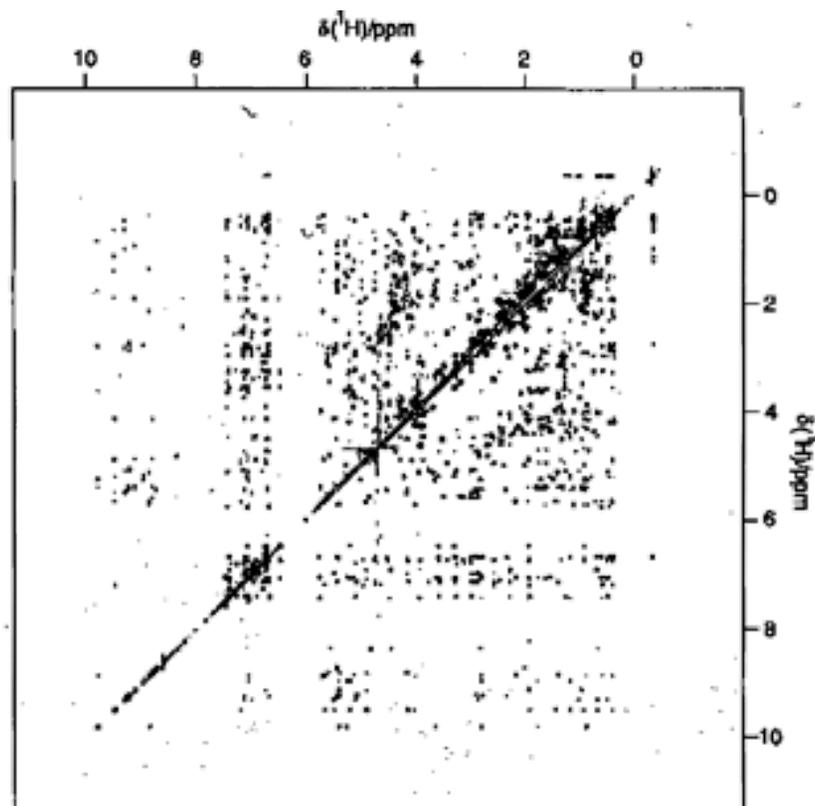


NMR Spectroscopy

Multi-dimensional NMR



One dimension



Two dimensions

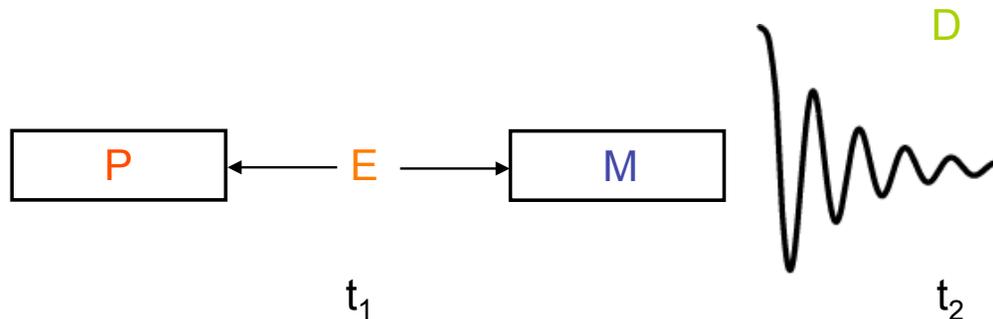
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Multi-dimensional NMR

To generate a spectrum with **two frequency domains**, f_1 and f_2 , it is necessary to sample data as a function of **two separate time variables**, t_1 and t_2 .

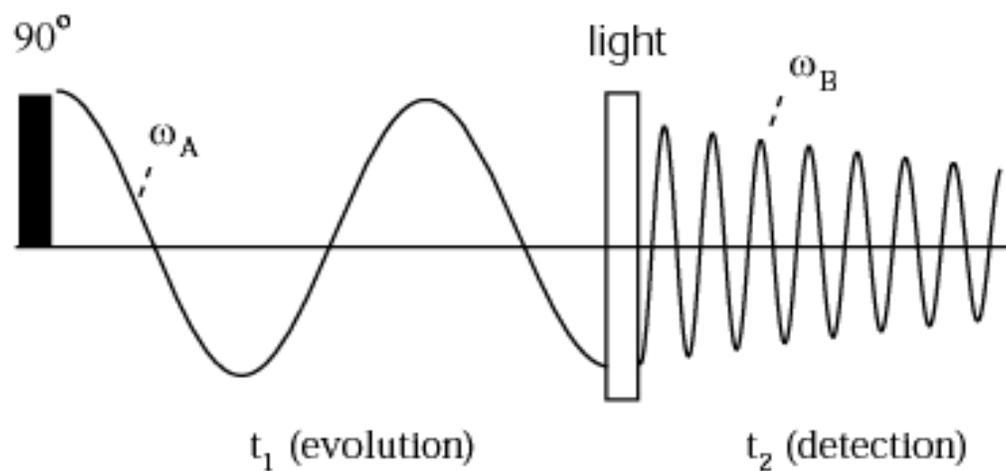
General scheme for 2D NMR experiment

P: Preparation
E: Evolution
M: Mixing
D: Detection



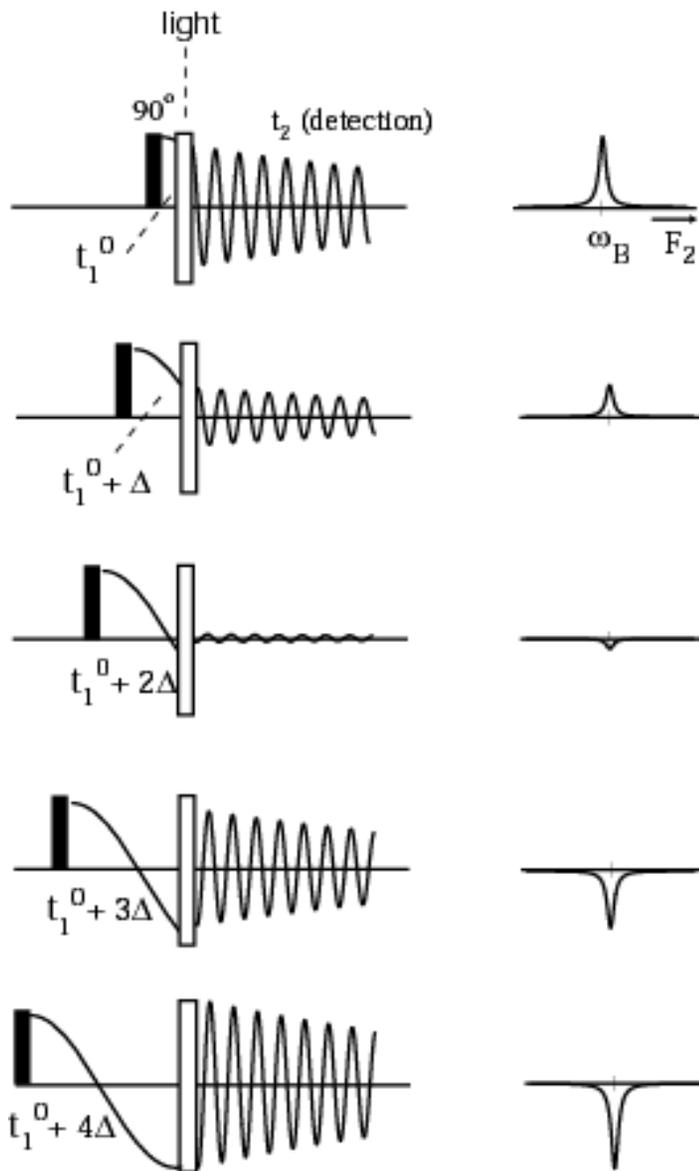
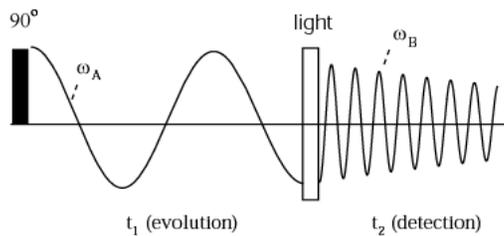
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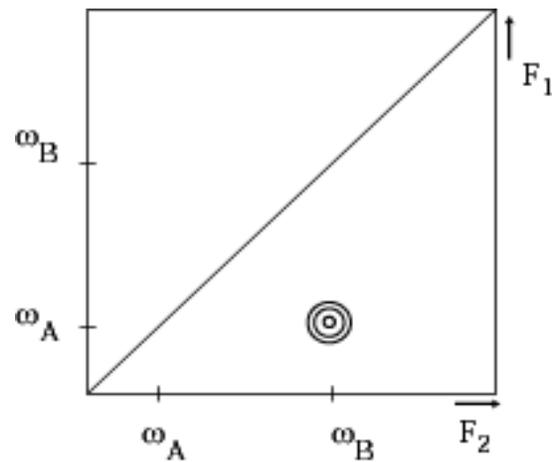


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Multi-dimensional NMR



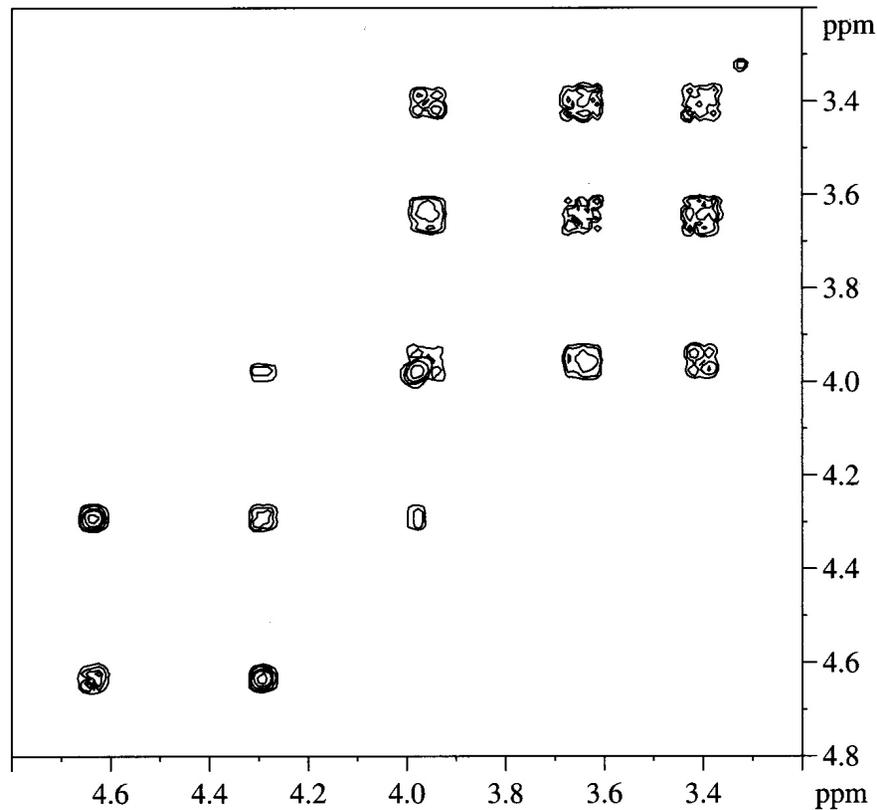
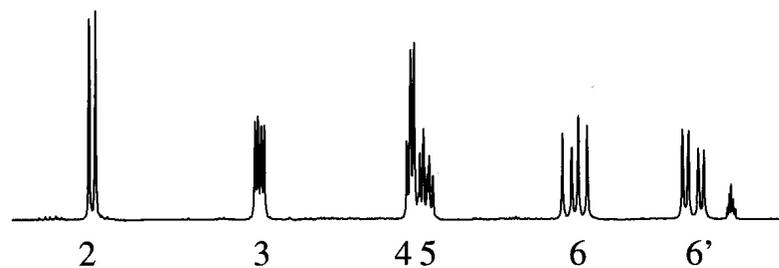
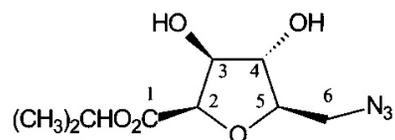
$$S(t_1, t_2) \xrightarrow[t_2 \curvearrowright F_2]{FT} S(t_1, F_2) \xrightarrow[t_1 \curvearrowright F_1]{FT} S(F_1, F_2)$$



NMR Spectroscopy

COSY (COrelated SpectroscopY)

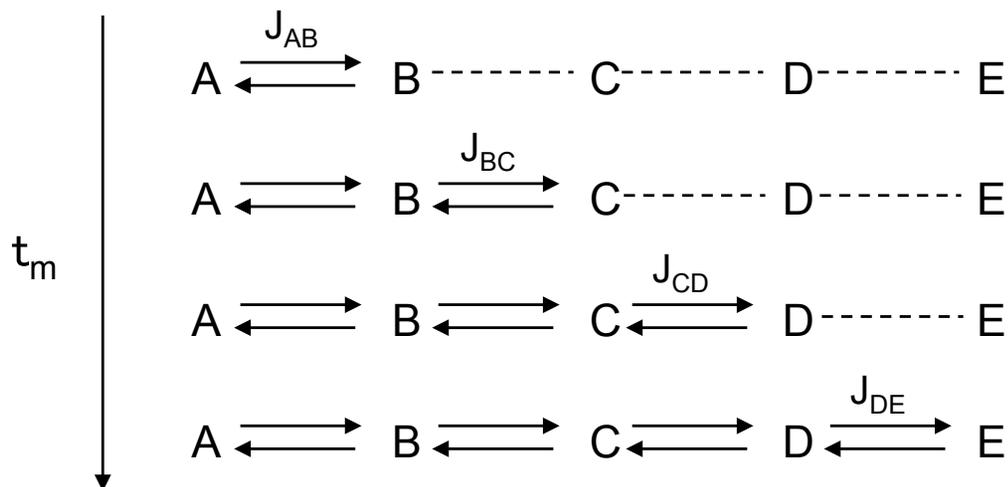
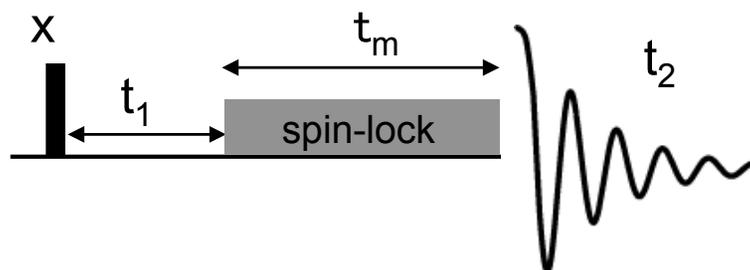
Correlation through bonds (J-coupling)



NMR Spectroscopy

TOCSY (Total COrelated SpectroscopY)

Correlation through bonds (J-coupling)



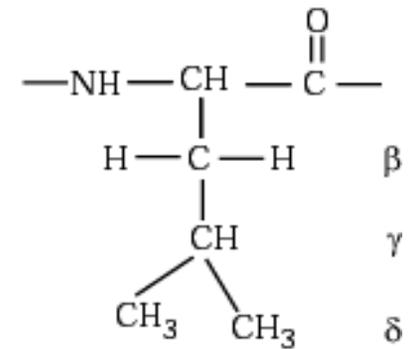
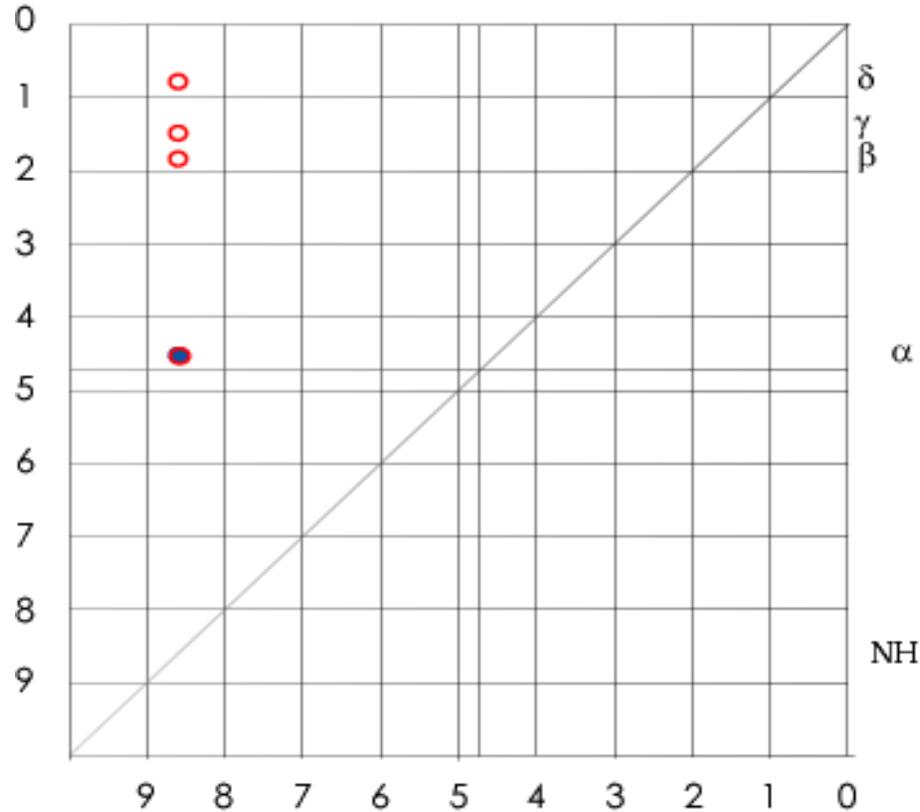
NMR Spectroscopy

COSY vs. TOCSY

Correlation through bonds (J-coupling)

L Leu leucine

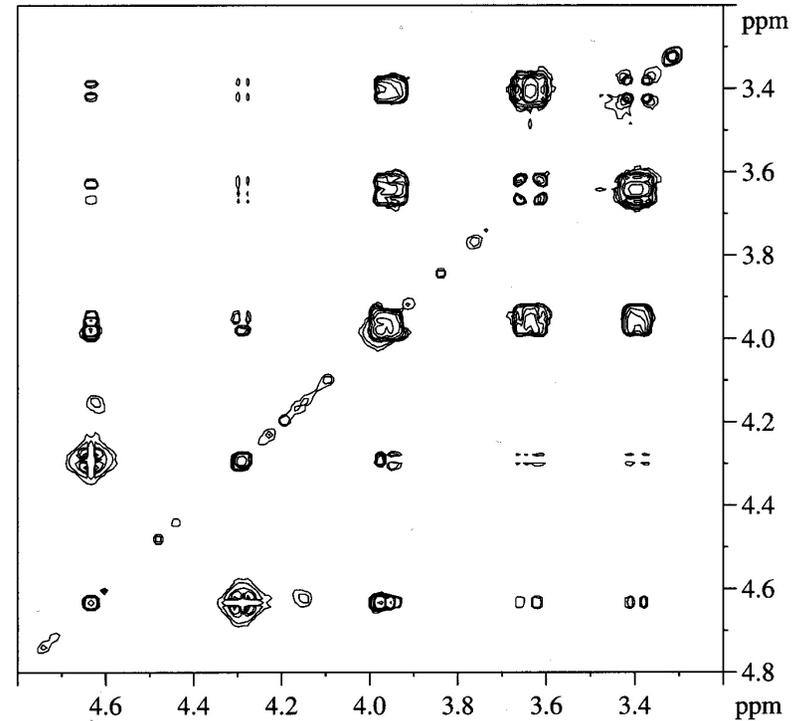
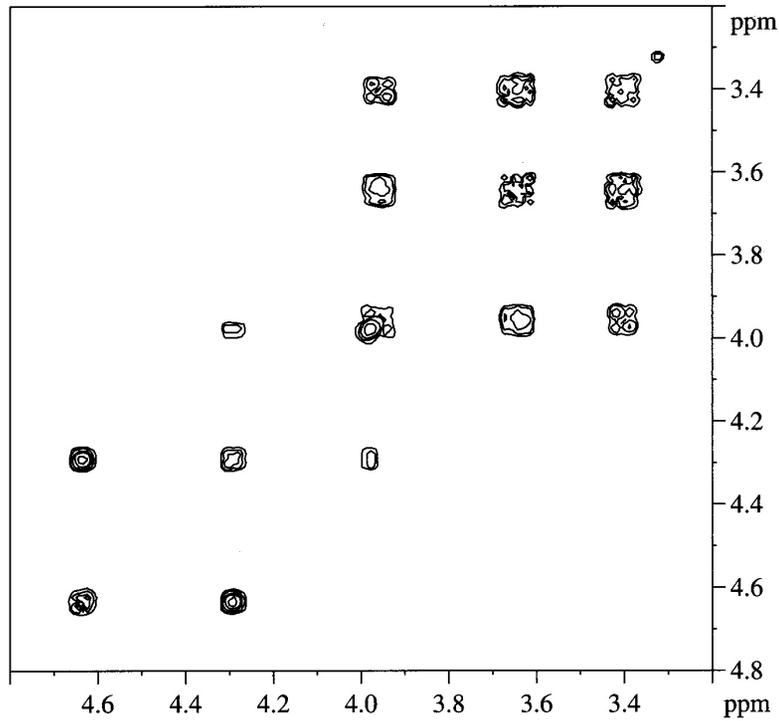
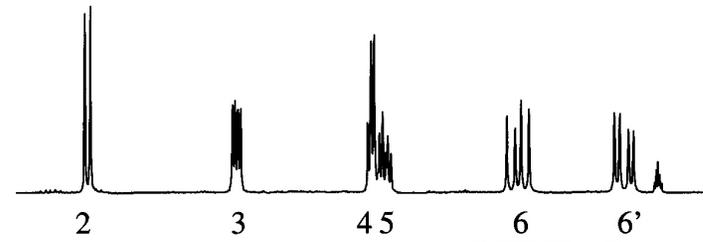
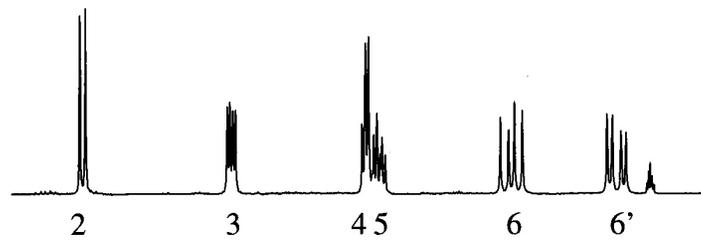
- COSY
- TOCSY



NMR Spectroscopy

COSY vs. TOCSY

Correlation through bonds (J-coupling)



NMR Spectroscopy

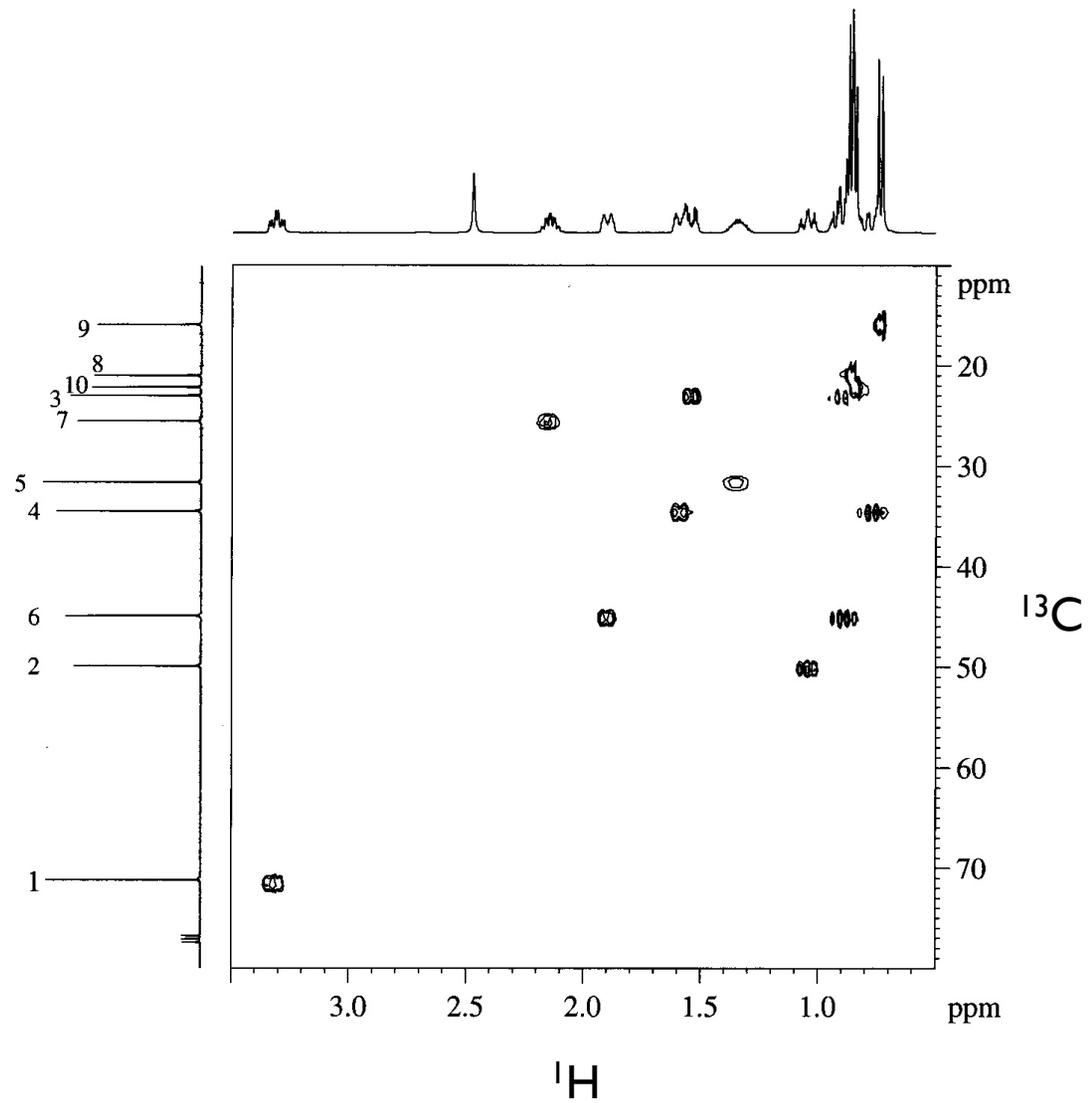
General schemes for 2D NMR

$$\frac{S}{N} \propto T^{-1} B_0^{3/2} \gamma_{exc} \gamma_{obs}^{3/2} T_2^* (NS)^{1/2}$$

| | | P | E | M | D | Relative sensitivity | | |
|----|--------|---|---|---|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | | | $^1\text{H}-^{31}\text{P}$ | $^1\text{H}-^{13}\text{C}$ | $^1\text{H}-^{15}\text{N}$ |
| a) | H X | | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| b) | H X | | | | | 2.5 | 4 | 10 |
| | | | | | | (traditional) | | |
| c) | H X | | | | | 4 | 8 | 30 |
| d) | H X | | | | | 10 | 32 | 300 |
| | | | | | | (inverse) modern | | |

NMR Spectroscopy

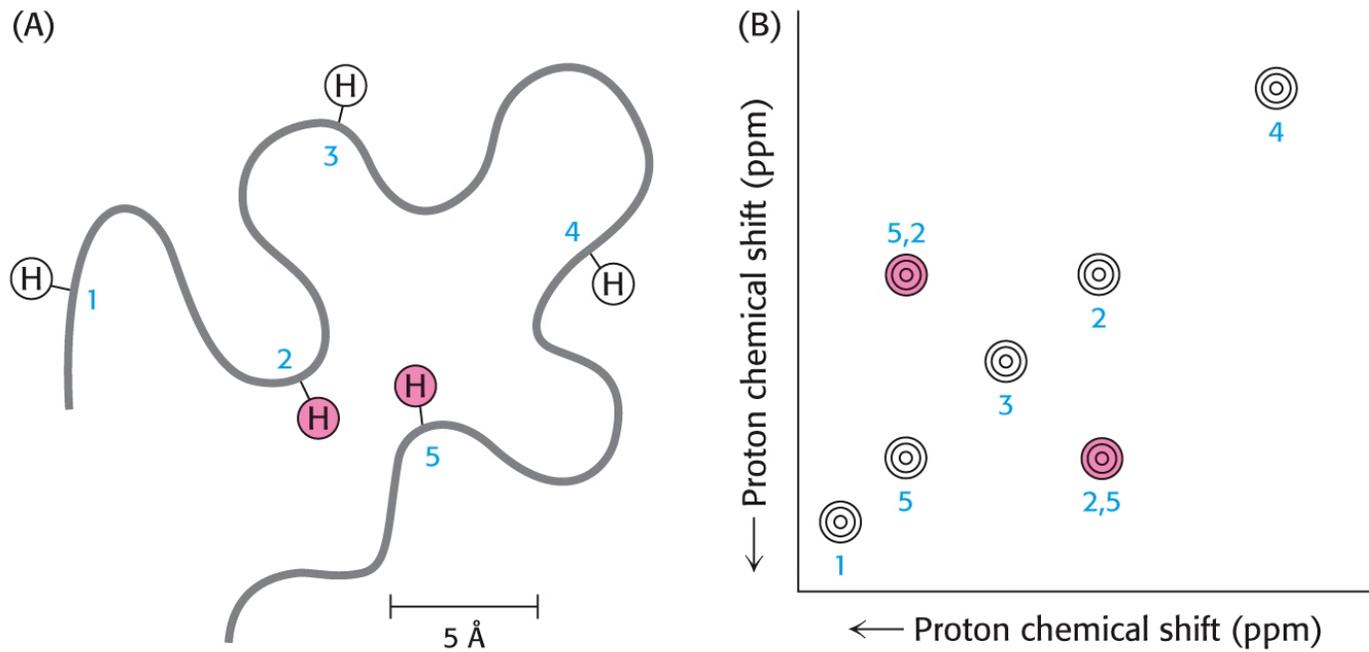
Heteronuclear Single Quantum Coherence (HSQC)



NMR Spectroscopy

Protein NMR

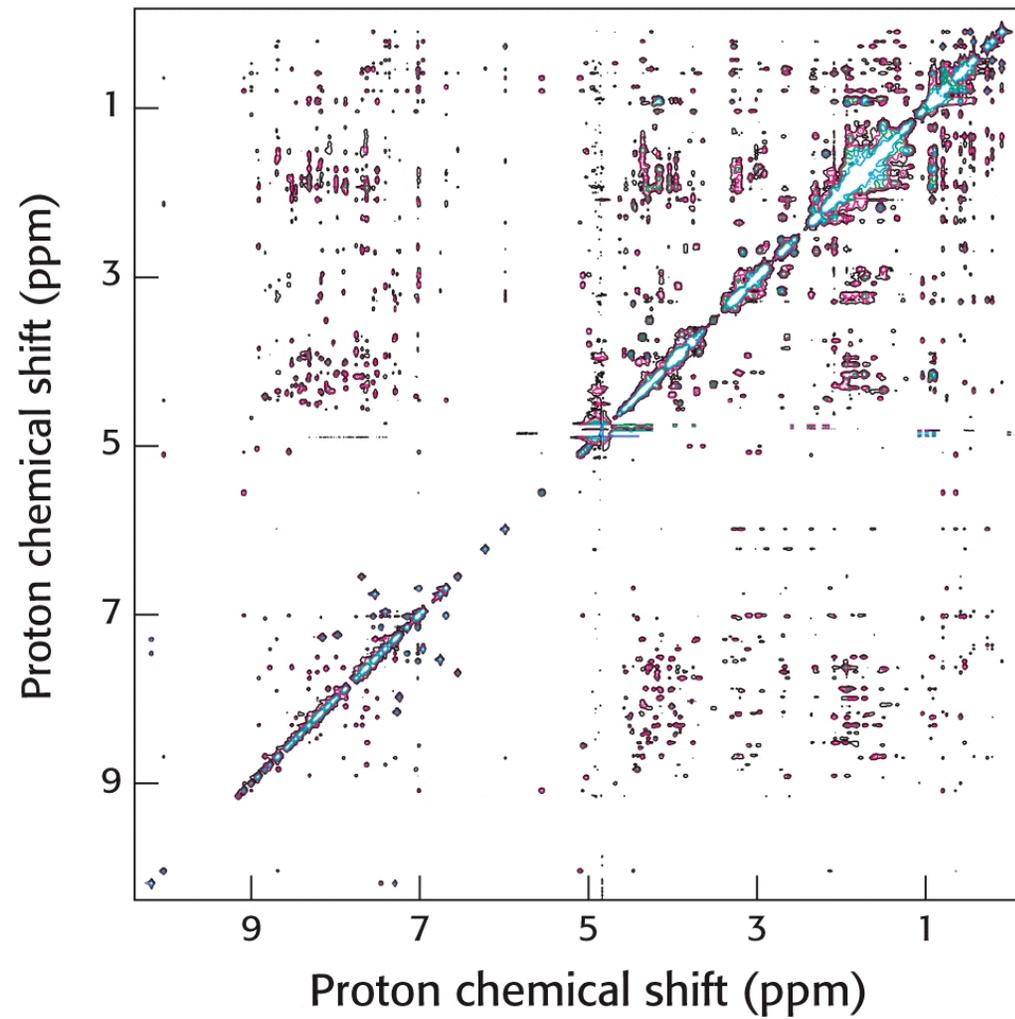
2D NOESY



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Protein NMR

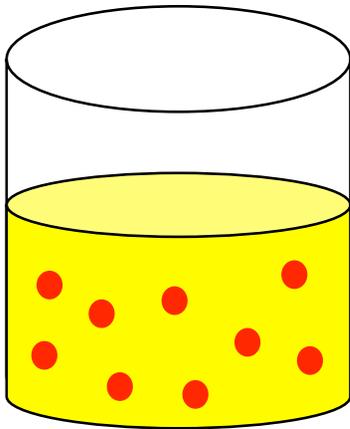
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NMR Spectroscopy

Protein NMR

Isotopically labeled proteins



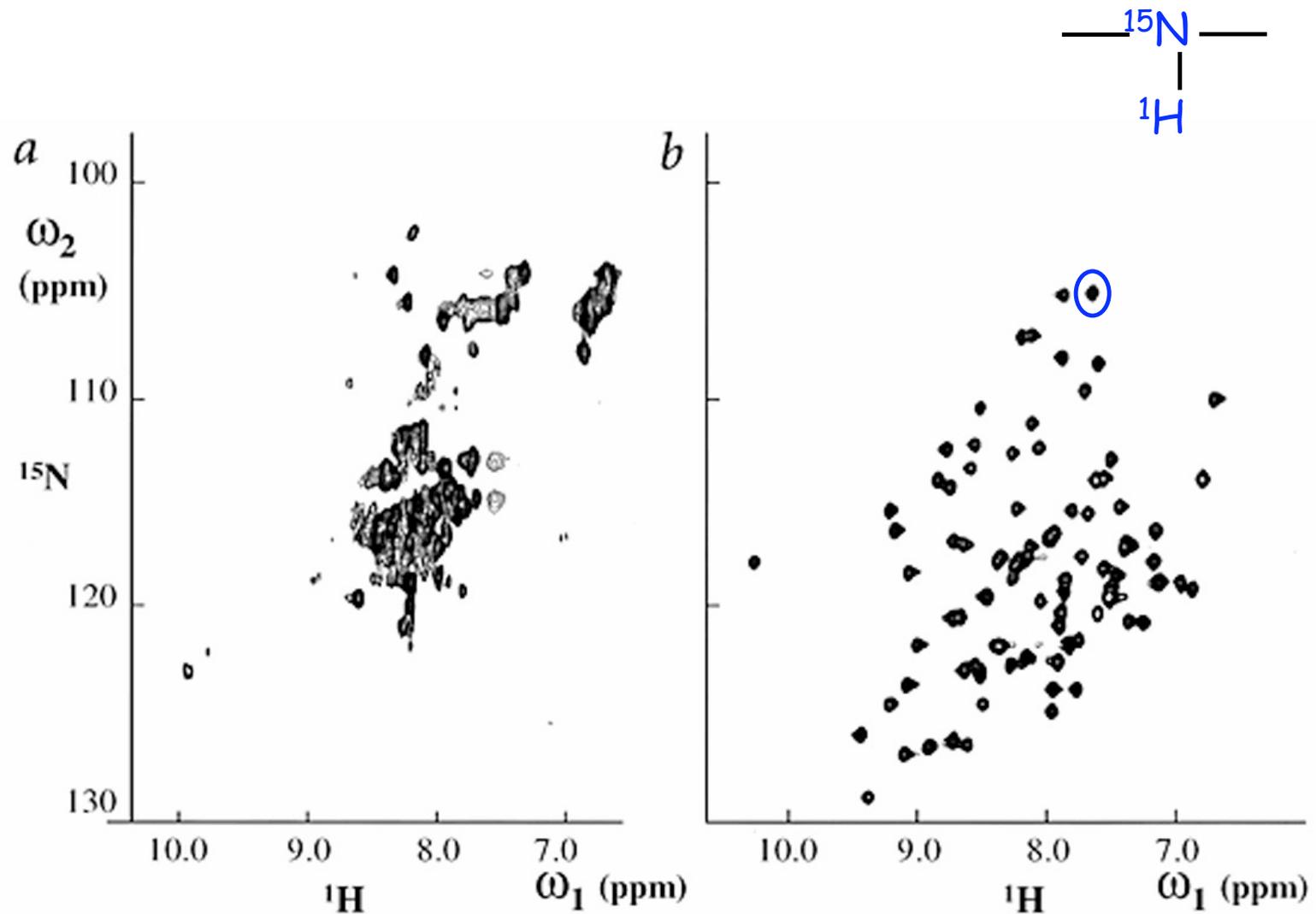
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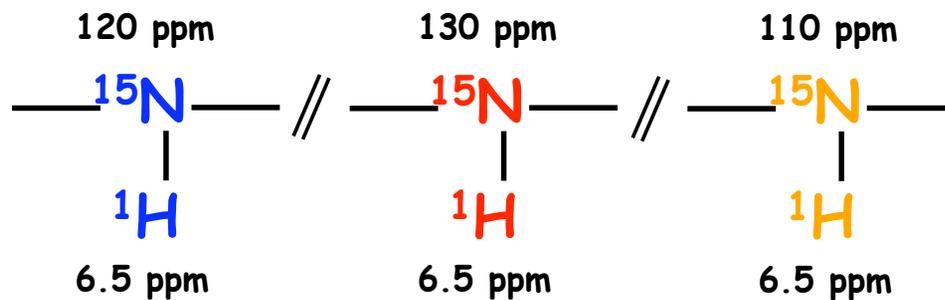
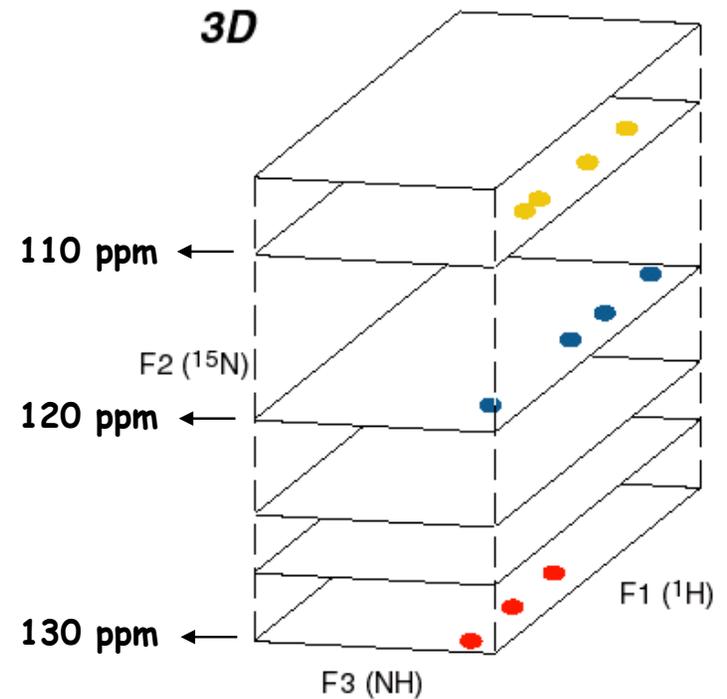
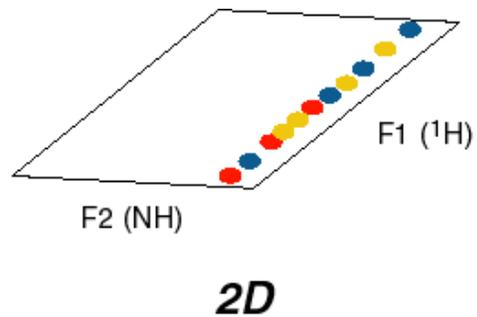
^1H - ^{15}N HSQC (protein's fingerprint)



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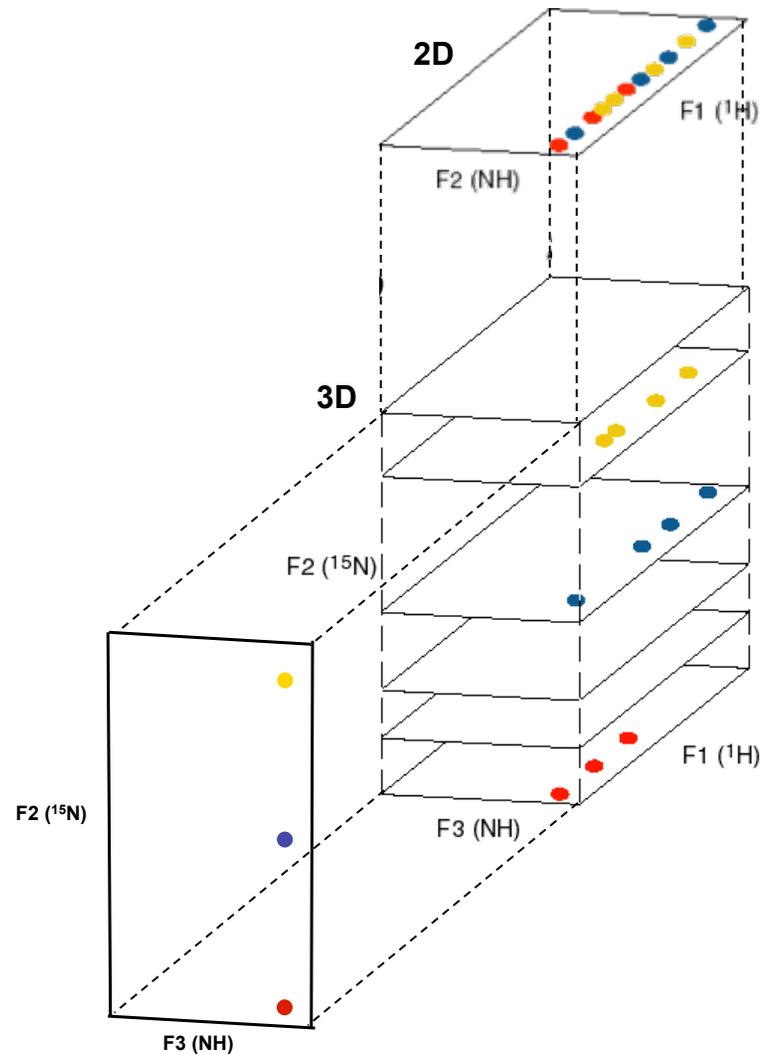
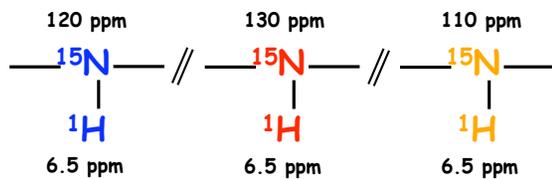
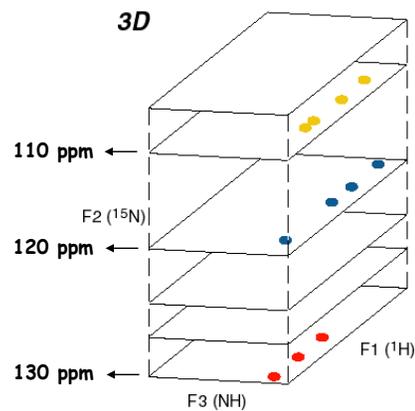
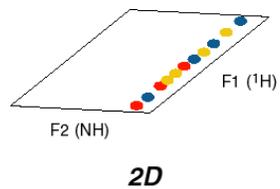
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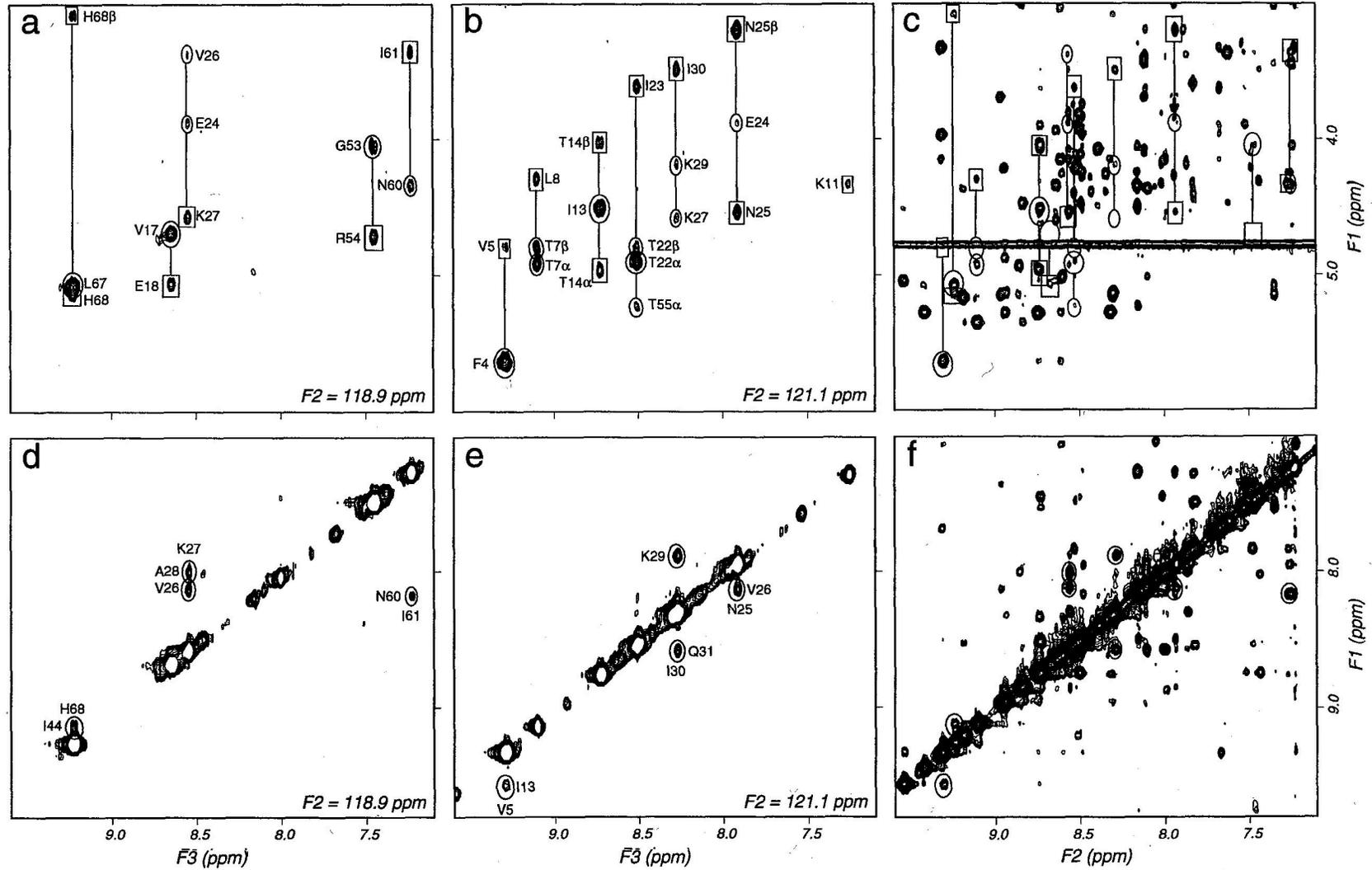
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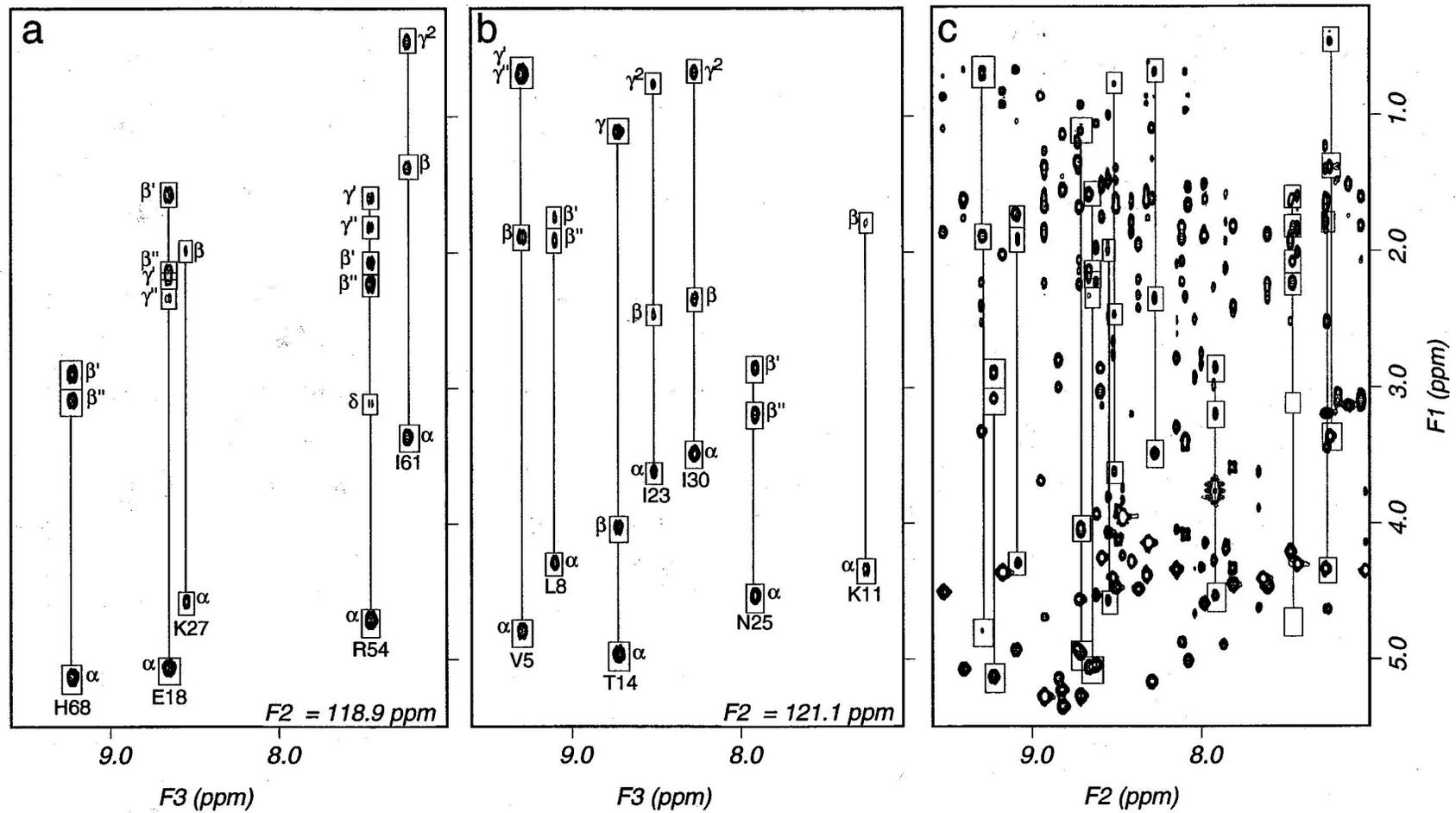
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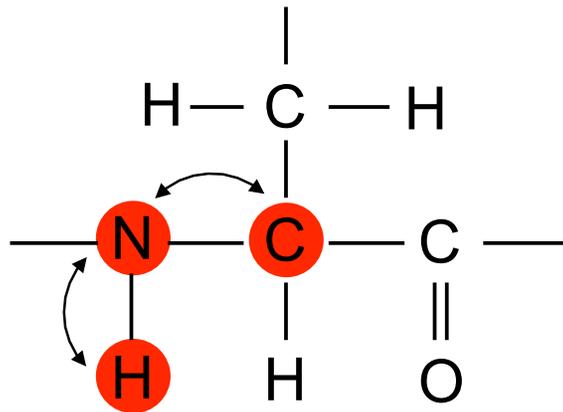
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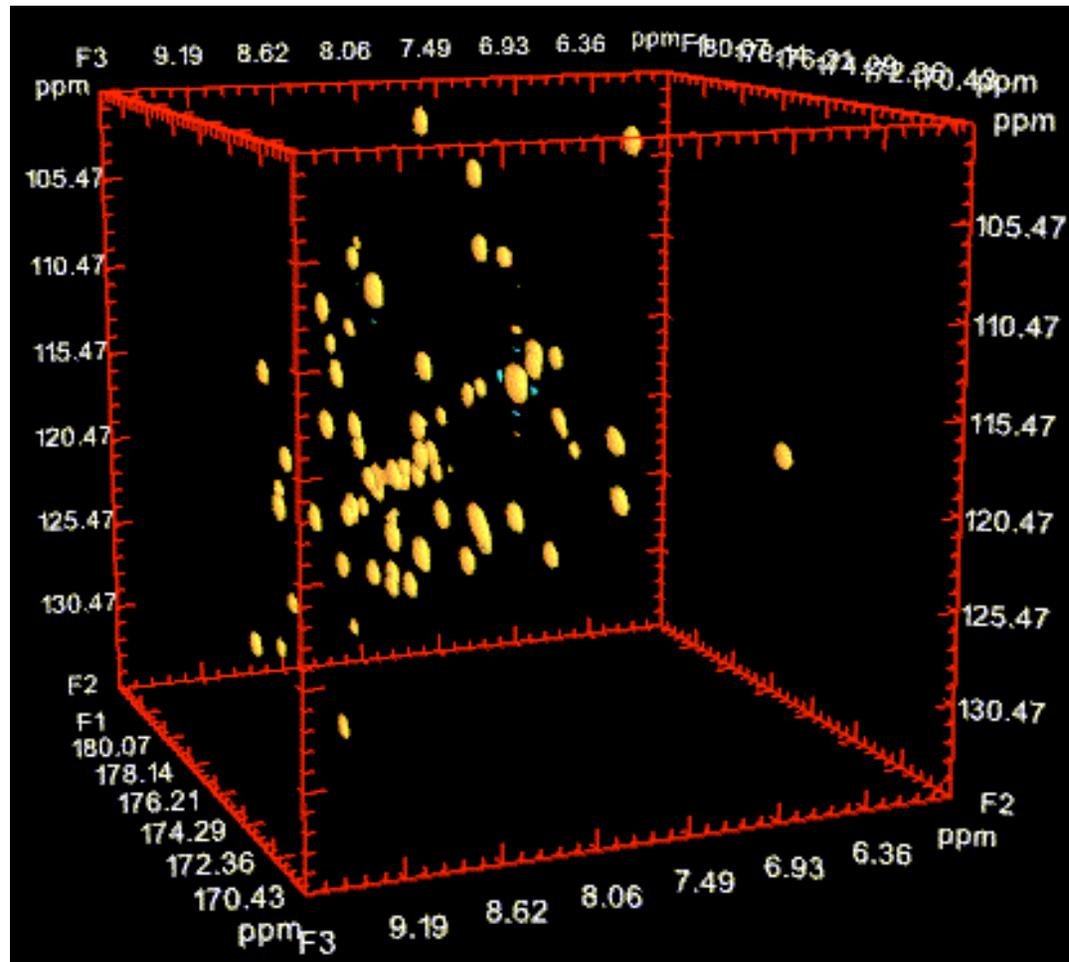


3D HNCA

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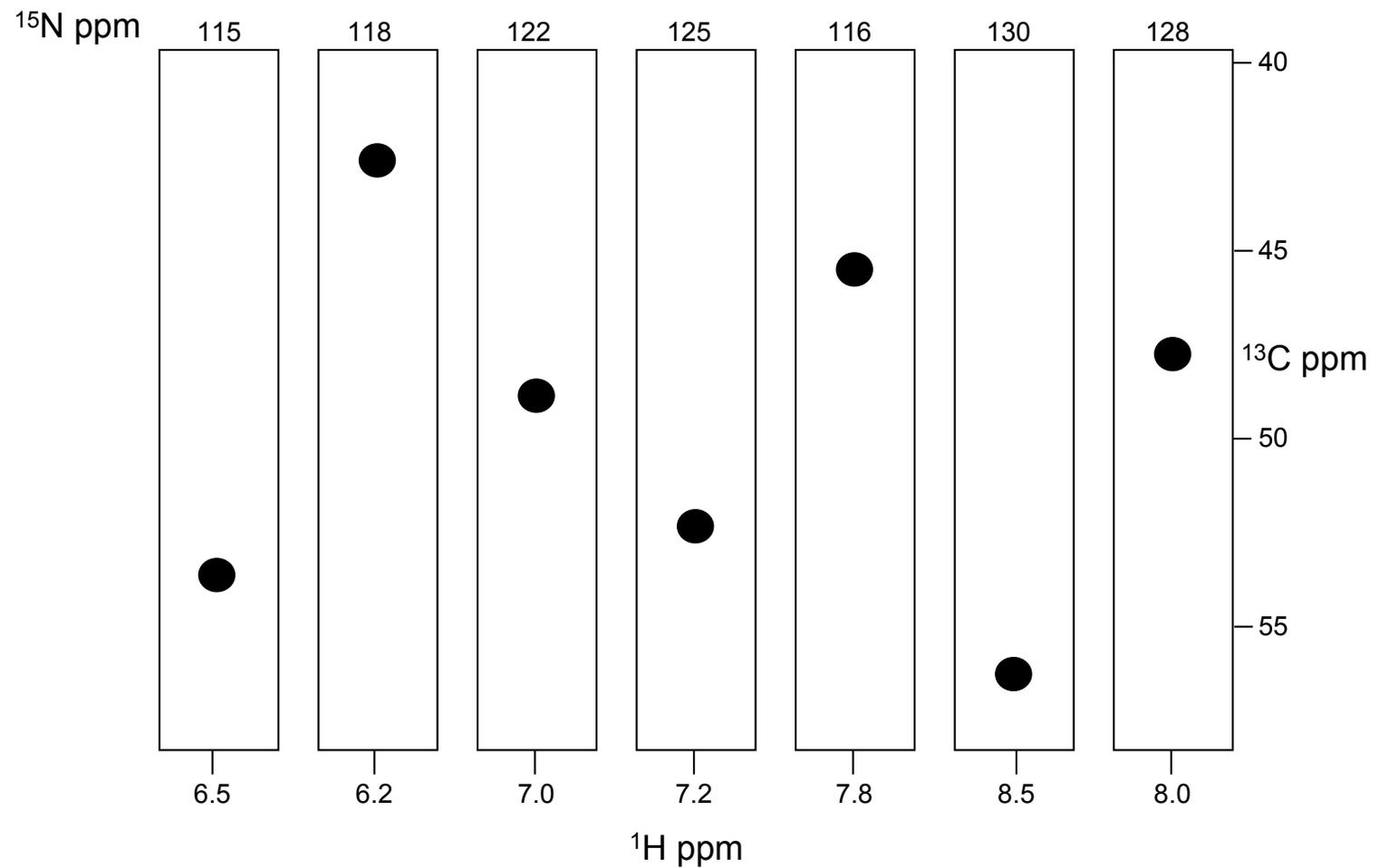
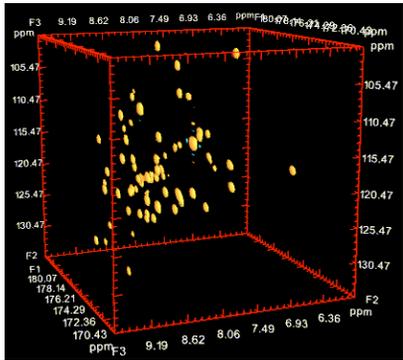
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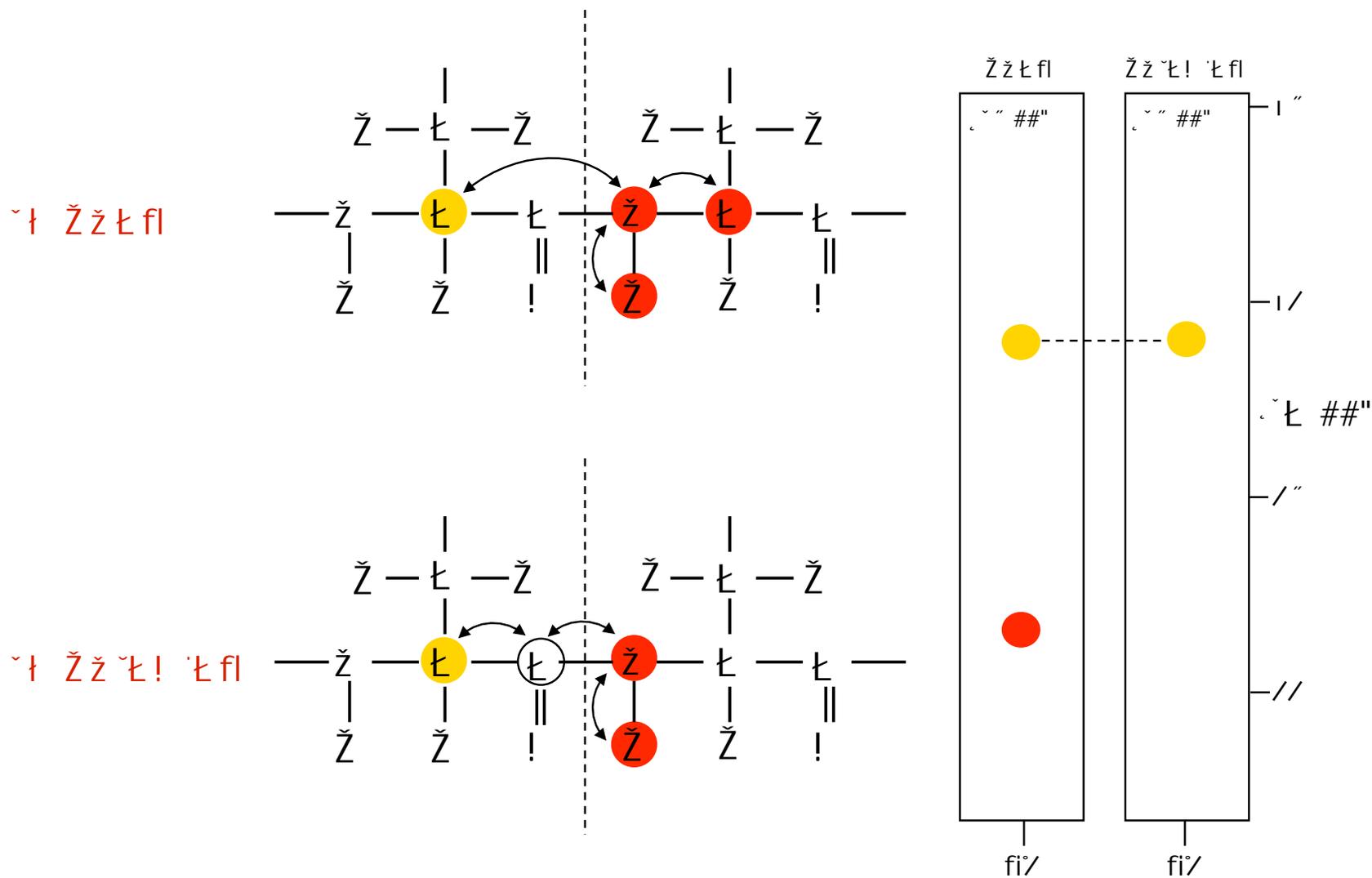
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