# Multidimensional NMR Experiments

Chem 8361/4361: Interpretation of Organic Spectra

## 2D NMR Spectroscopy General Information

- More complicated experiments to set up than  $^{1}H$  and  $^{13}C$
- Changes in pulses (#, length, angles, mixing times, etc.)
- Observe effects based on relationship of nuclei
  \*\*Can be homonuclear (same nuclei) (e.g. H–H) or heteronuclear (different nuclei) (e.g. H–C, H–P, etc.)\*\*
- -Will only go over the what the experiments tell you and how to interpret, and only for the most common and widely used for solving organic structures
  - DEPT, H–H COSY, HMQC (HETCOR), HMBC, INADEQUATE (C–C COSY)
- -There is a whole alphabet soup of other experiments (both ID and 2D)

– EXSY, TOCSY, HOHAHA, INEPT, WATERGATE, and many more

http://www.chem.ox.ac.uk/spectroscopy/nmr/acropage.htm

Number of Protons on Carbon

#### DEPT (Distortionless Enhancement by Polarisation Transfer

Used to be known as APT (<u>Attached Proton Test</u>)
 DEPT is <sup>1</sup>H-detected; APT is <sup>13</sup>C-detected

-Tells you how many protons are attached to a particular carbon

- negative peaks = CH<sub>2</sub>

- positive peaks = CH and CH<sub>3</sub> (distinguishable with further processing)

-"missing" peaks = carbons w/o protons

-With a little help from IR and chemical shift of protons, can get a rough idea of molecular weight



### Who is Talking to Who?

### <sup>I</sup>H-<sup>I</sup>H COSY (Correlation Spectroscopy)

- -Tells you how which protons are coupled to one another
- -Very useful when peaks are overlapping in <sup>1</sup>H NMR and you are unable to calculate coupling constants, or when there are a lot of similar coupling constants ppm\_9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 ppm\_ COSY 600 MHz
- Cross peaks are coupled to each other

1 bond H–H coupling



- Newer method is DQF (<u>D</u>ouble <u>Q</u>uantum <u>F</u>iltered)-COSY

- same information, but looks "cleaner"

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<sup>I</sup>H–<sup>I</sup>H COSY (Correlation Spectroscopy)

– Overlapping protons and a lot of similar coupling constants



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#### <sup>1</sup>H–<sup>1</sup>H COSY (Correlation Spectroscopy)





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#### <sup>I</sup>H–<sup>I</sup>H COSY (Correlation Spectroscopy)

- DQF-COSY: Double Quantum Filtered COSY - cleans up the spectrum by reducing noncoupled systems (e.g. CH3 singlets)









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### H-13C COSY

- HETCOR (<u>Het</u>eronuclear <u>Cor</u>relation)
  - older experiment; <sup>13</sup>C-detected
- HMQC (Heteronuclear Multiple Quantum Correlation)
  - newer experiment; <sup>1</sup>H-detected; largely replaced HETCOR
- Both give <u>same</u> information, experimentally very different
- Peaks have one-bond coupling (i.e. attached directly)
- Compliments DEPT
- Particularly useful for diastereotopic protons















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### <sup>1</sup>H–<sup>13</sup>C COSY (Long Range)

- COLOC (<u>Correlated spectroscopy for Long range Couplings</u>)
  older experiment; <sup>13</sup>C-detected
- HMBC (<u>H</u>eteronuclear <u>M</u>ultiple <u>B</u>ond <u>C</u>oherence)
  - newer experiment; <sup>1</sup>H-detected; completely replaced COLOC
- Both give same information, experimentally very different
- Peaks have two- or three-bond coupling
- "Sees through" heteroatoms and quaternary carbons
- Can be very complicated, but is very powerful









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### 13C - 13C COSY

- INADEQUATE (Incredible Natural Abundance Double Quantum Transfer Experiment)
- tells what carbons are attached to each other
- if you know what type of carbon it is (C, C=O, CH, CH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub>, etc.) from DEPT, you can almost write down the entire gross structure by running two NMR experiments
- -**<u>BUT</u>** it is <sup>13</sup>C–<sup>13</sup>C coupling
  - probability of one <sup>13</sup>C is 0.01
  - two next to each other 0.01x0.01 = 0.0001 (~1 molecule in 10,000)
- Need lots of sample and instrument time to overcome
- In our facility: 80% v/v, overnight, 500 MHz = nothing



1 bond C–C coupling



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### **INADEQUATE**

- Cross peaks show up as doublets =  $J_{CC}$
- Diagonal is midway between the two doublets













