

# NMR SPECTROSCOPY

# NMR Console with Computer



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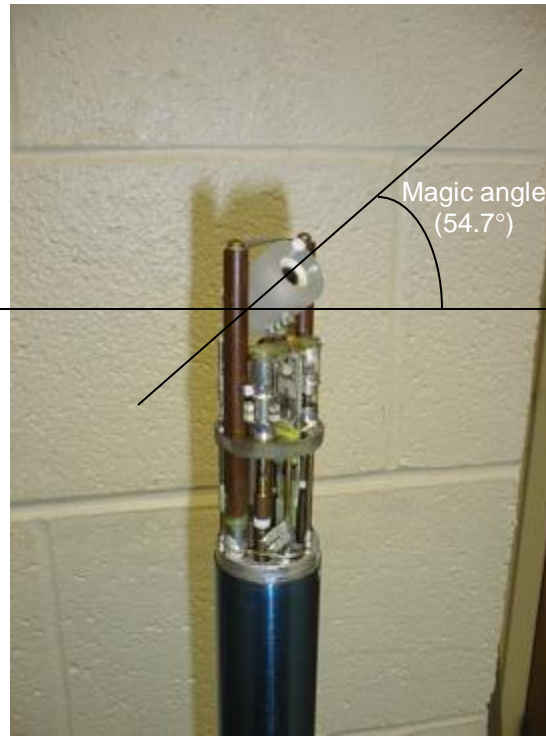
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# NMR Probes



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← Solids

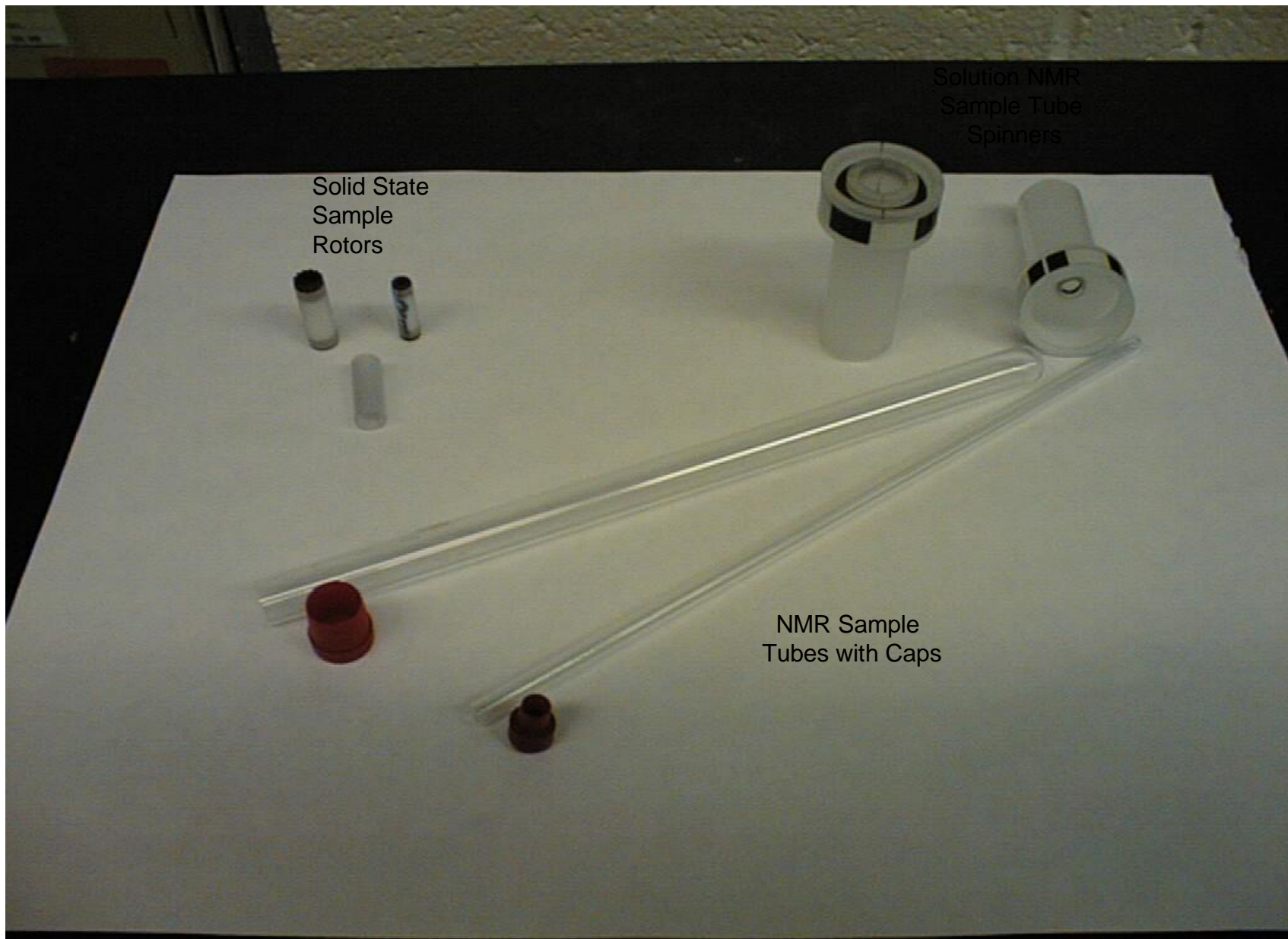
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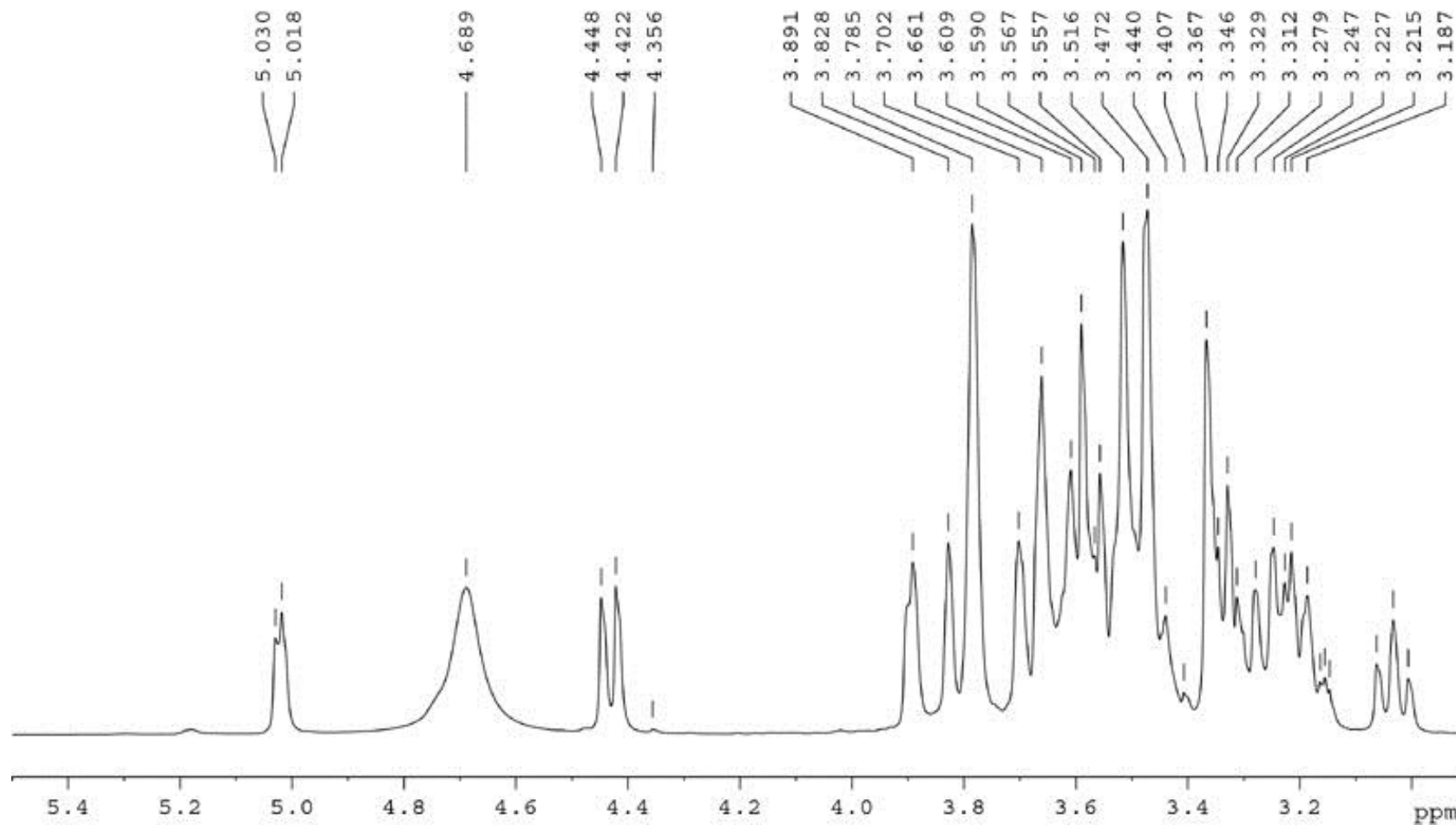


# Types of NMR Sample Holders

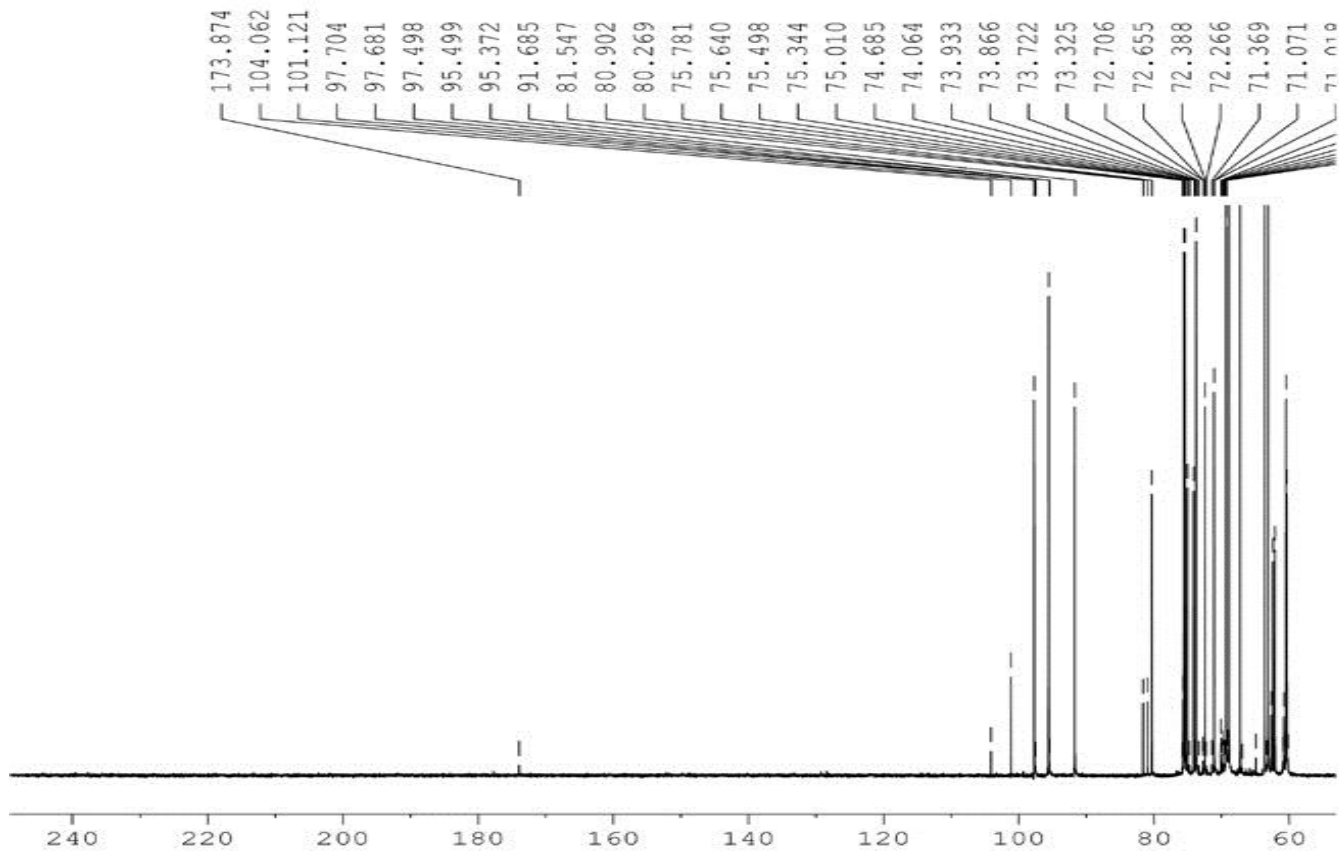




# $^1\text{H}$ Spectrum of Mountain Dew



# $^{13}\text{C}$ Spectrum of Mountain Dew

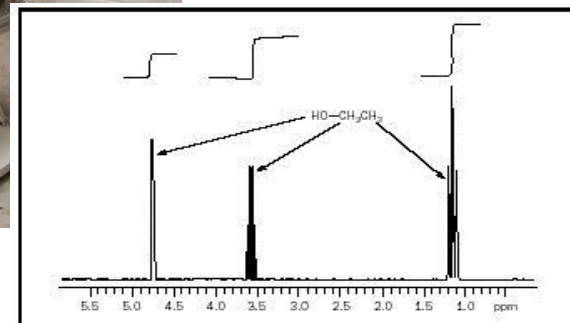
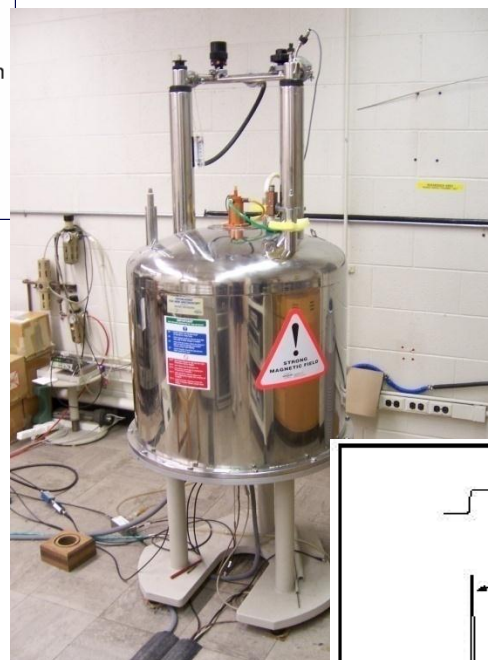
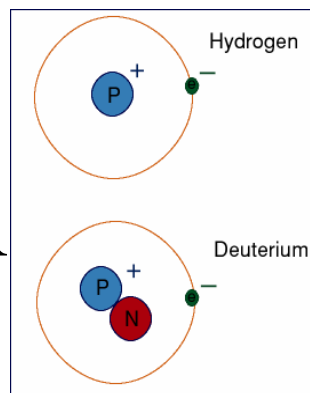


# What is NMR?



# NMR Stands for:

- NUCLEAR
- MAGNETIC
- RESONANCE



# Spin States

- Nuclei with an odd mass, an odd number of protons, or both, are said to have spin angular momentum
- The number of allowed spin states is quantized, and is determined by its spin quantum number,  $I$
- There are  $2I+1$  allowed spin states

Nuclei with  $I = 0$  have only one spin state and are NMR inactive. These include  $^{12}\text{C}$  and  $^{16}\text{O}$ , two of the most common nuclei in organic compounds.

A spinning nucleus with a spin quantum number of  $1/2$  has 2 possible spin states.

$$2I+1 = 2 (1/2) + 1 = 2$$

# The Most Interesting Elements (to us) All Have 2 Allowed Spin States

These are

- $^1\text{H}$

- $^{13}\text{C}$

- $^{19}\text{F}$

- $^{31}\text{P}$

Deuterium  $^2\text{H}$  is spin active with  $I = 1$ !

$2(1) + 1 = 3$  spin states for deuterium



$$\mu(\text{nuclear magnetos}) = \gamma \hbar I$$

$\gamma$  Is the gyromagnetic ratio (rad/G-s).

NMR properties of nuclei of interest in polymers

Isotope	Natural abundance	Resonance frequency (MHz) for field of 10 KG (1 T)	Relative sensitivity for equal number of nuclei at constant $H_0$	Magnetic moment (units of nuclear magnetons)	Spin $I$ in multiples of $\hbar$
$^1\text{H}$	99.9844	42.577	1.000	2.79270	1/2
$^2\text{H}$ (D)	0.0156	6.536	0.00964	0.85738	1
$^{13}\text{C}$	1.108	10.705	0.0159	0.70216	1/2
$^{14}\text{N}$	99.635	3.067	0.00101	0.40357	1
$^{15}\text{N}$	0.365	4.315	0.00104	-0.28304	1/2
$^{17}\text{O}$	0.037	5.772	0.0291	-1.8930	5/2
$^{19}\text{F}$	100.0	40.055	0.834	2.6273	1/2
$^{29}\text{Si}$	4.70	8.460	0.0785	-0.55477	1/2
$^{31}\text{P}$	100.0	17.235	0.0664	1.1305	1/2
$^{35}\text{Cl}$	75.4	4.172	0.00471	0.82089	3/2
$^{37}\text{Cl}$	24.6	3.472	0.00272	0.68329	3/2

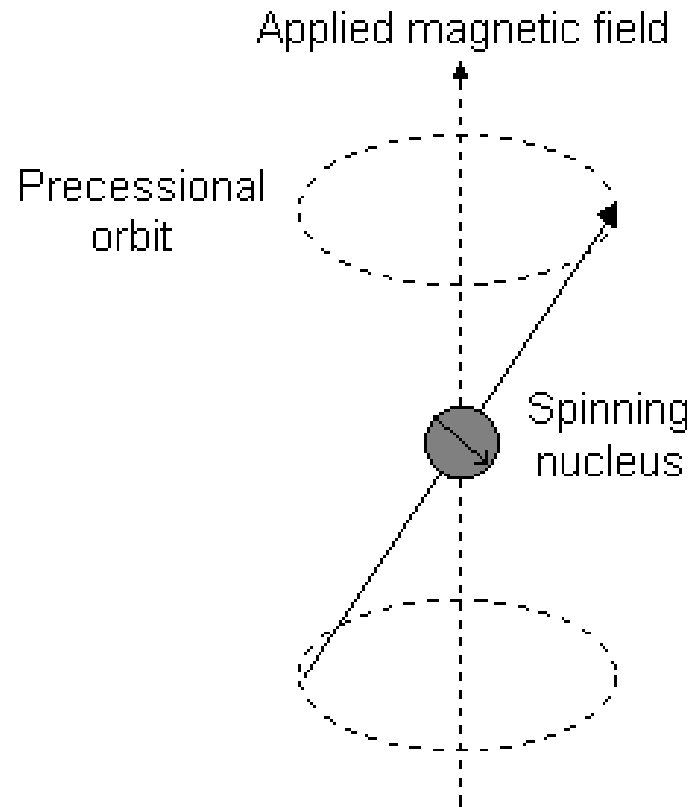
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- The spinning of the nuclei causes them to behave like **magnets**.
- These nuclear magnets are influenced by **other magnetic fields**. These other magnetic fields may be **externally** applied or they can be generated by other **nearby** nuclei or electrons in the molecule.
- Externally applied magnetic fields may result from the magnet that the sample is placed in or from irradiation by radio frequency light.

# In an Applied Magnetic Field

- Nuclei with 2 allowed spin states can align either with or against the field, with slight excess of nuclei aligned with the field

The nuclei precess about an axis parallel to the applied magnetic field, with a frequency called the Larmor Frequency ( $\omega$ ).



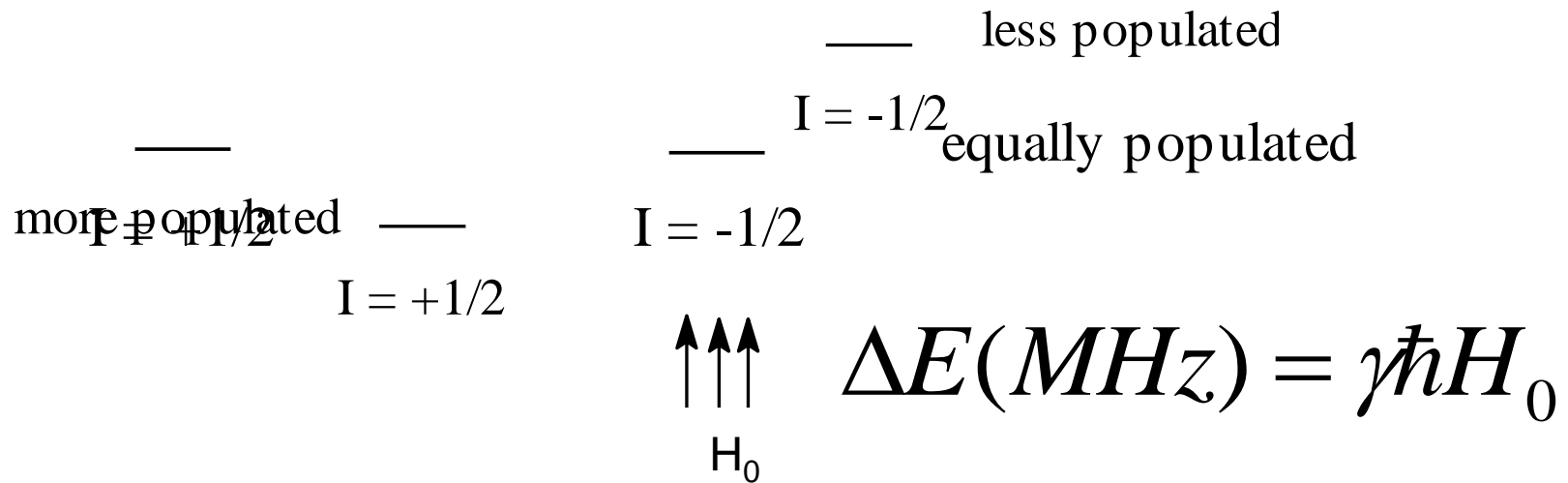


$$\omega_0 \text{ (rad/s)} = \gamma H_0$$

or in MHz

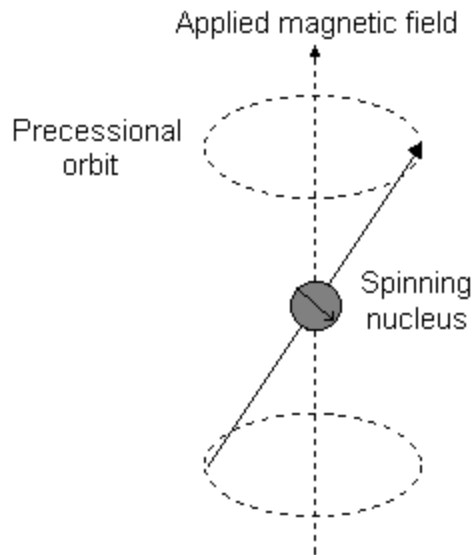
$$\nu_0 \text{ (MHz)} = \left( \frac{\gamma}{2\pi} \right) H_0$$

In an applied magnetic field the spin states have different energies and therefore different populations.

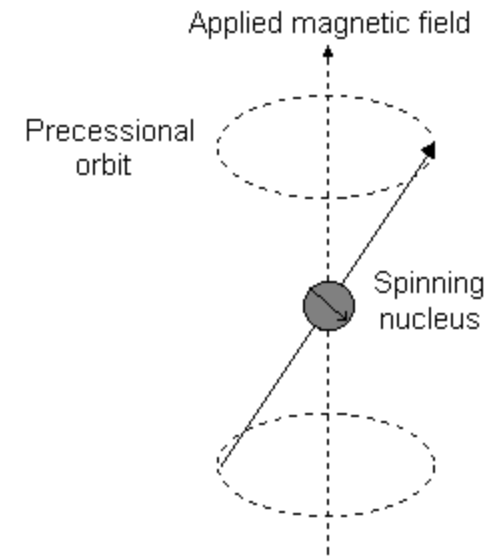
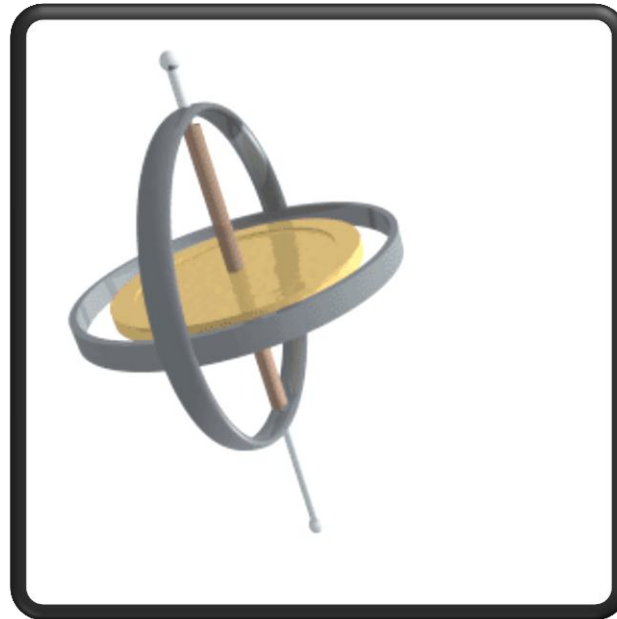


Transitions may occur between these energy states which allows NMR signals to be observed. The greater the difference in population, the stronger the NMR signal.

# Larmor Frequency is Proportional to the Applied Magnetic Field

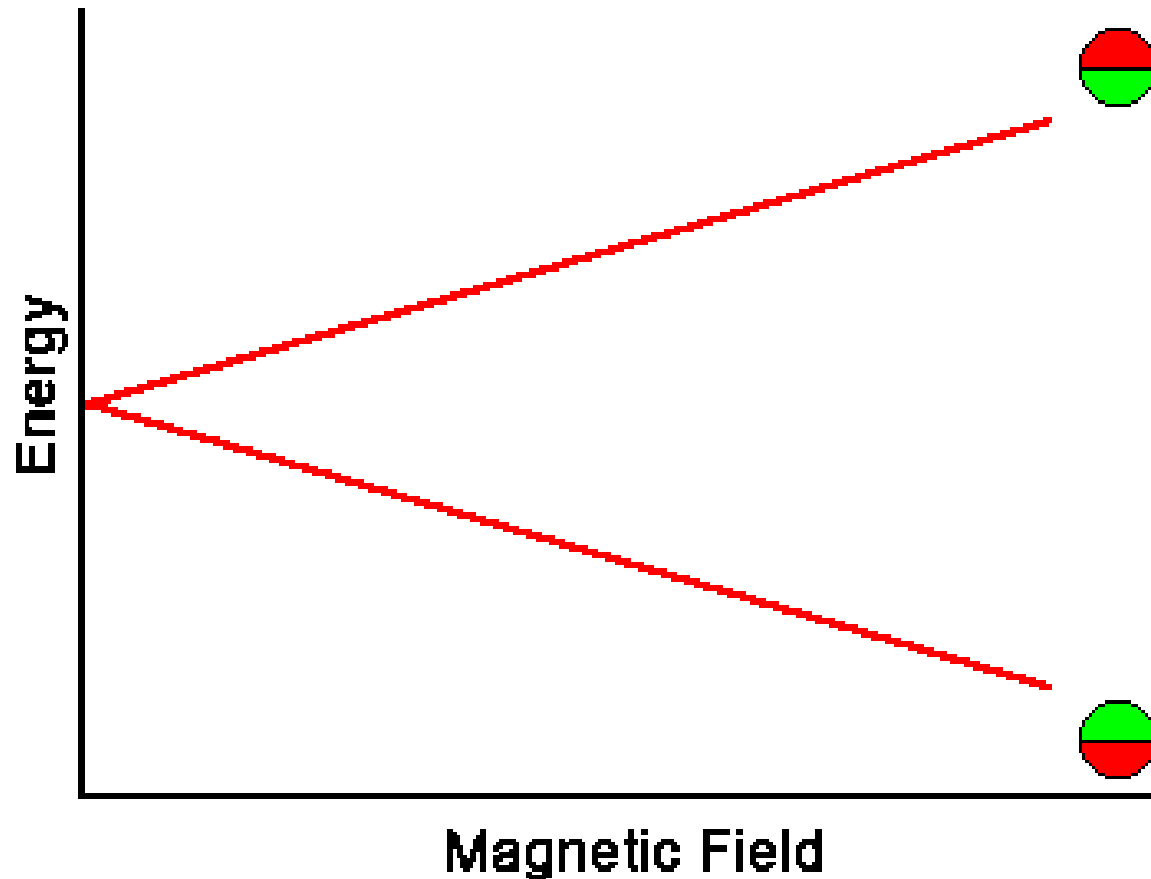


Slow precession in small magnetic field



Faster precession in larger magnetic field

The difference in energy between the 2 spin states is proportional to the Larmor frequency



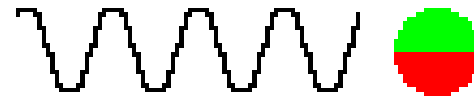


# RF Energy Can Be Absorbed

- Precessing nuclei **generates** an oscillating electric field of the same frequency



- RF energy with the same frequency as the Larmor frequency can be applied to the system and **absorbed** by the nuclei



# Chemical Shifts in NMR

- The nuclei not only interact with the magnetic field but also with the surrounding nuclei and their electrons.
- The results has important implications for the study of molecules by NMR.

# Why chemical shift?

$$H_{effe} = H_0 - H_{loc}$$

And now:

$$\Delta E(\text{MHz}) = \gamma \hbar H_{effe}$$

And not:

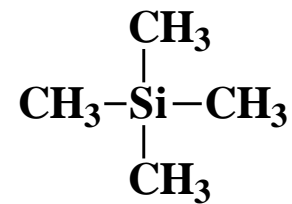
~~$$\Delta E(\text{MHz}) = \gamma \hbar H_0$$~~

$$\nu \text{ (MHz)} = \left( \frac{\gamma}{2\pi} \right) H_{effe}$$

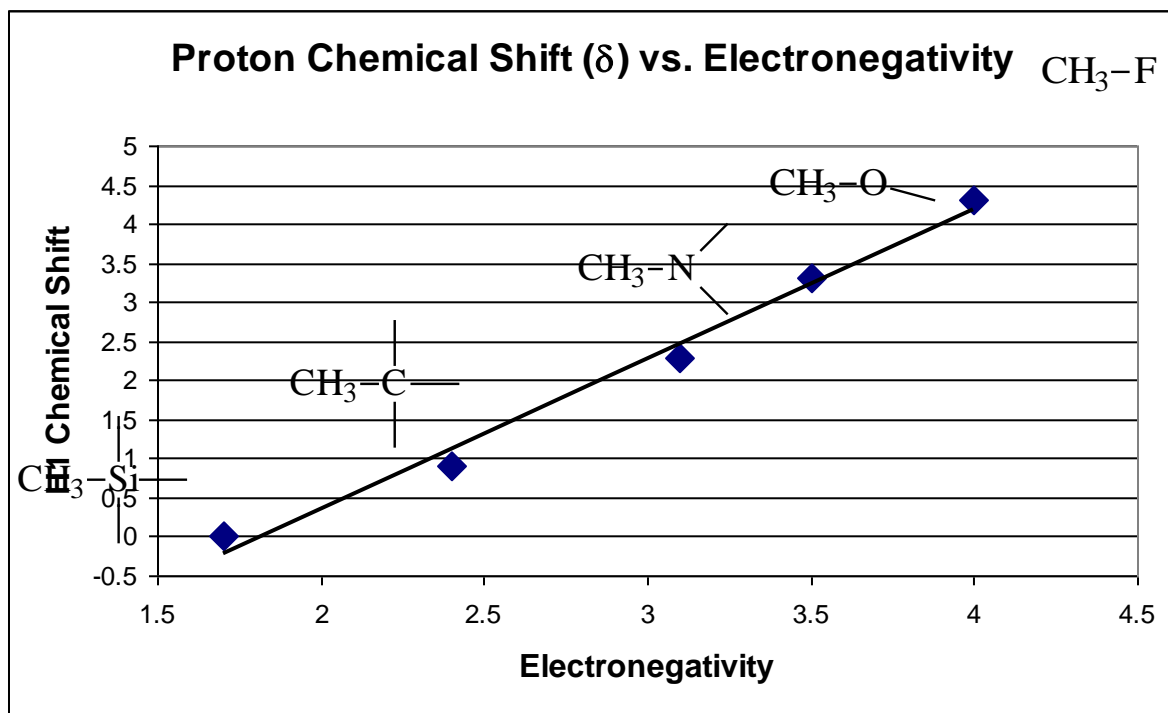
$H_{loc}$  is the sum of all the magnetic field exerted by any local magnets such as electrons, other nuclei, bonds etc.

# Chemical Shift

- We define the relative position of absorption in the NMR spectrum the **chemical shift**. It is a unitless number (actually a ratio, in which the units cancel), but we assign ‘units’ of ppm or  $\delta$  (Greek letter delta) units.
- For  $^1\text{H}$ , the usual scale of NMR spectra is 0 to 10 (or 12) ppm (or  $\delta$ ).
- The usual  $^{13}\text{C}$  scale goes from 0 to about 220 ppm.
- The zero point is defined as the position of absorption of a standard, tetramethylsilane (TMS):
- This standard has only one type of C and only one type of H.



# Chemical Shifts



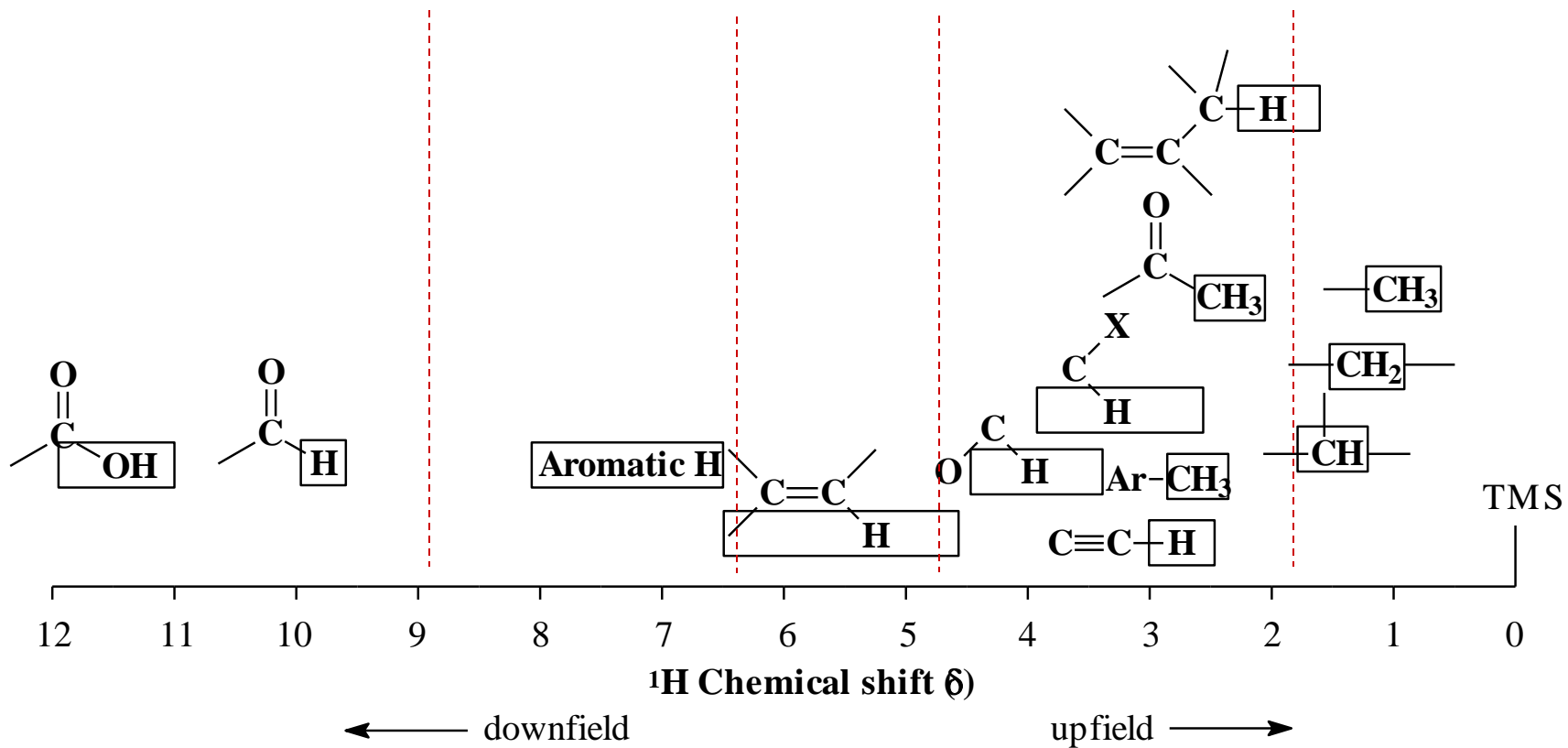
# Chemical Shifts

- Both  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  Chemical shifts are related to three major factors:
  - The **hybridization** (of carbon)
  - Presence of **electronegative** atoms or electron attracting groups
  - The degree of **substitution** ( $1^\circ$ ,  $2^\circ$  or  $3^\circ$ ). These latter effects are most important in  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR, and in that context are usually called ‘steric’ effects.
- Now we’ll turn our attention to  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra  
(they are more complex, but provide more structural information)

# Unit of chemical shift, $\delta$

$$\delta = \frac{\text{distance from TMS in Hz}}{\text{spectrometer frequency in MHz}} \text{ ppm}$$

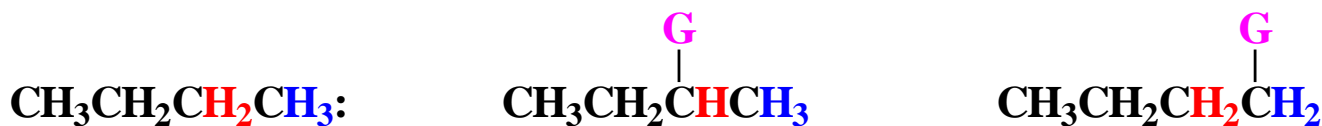
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# Classification of Protons

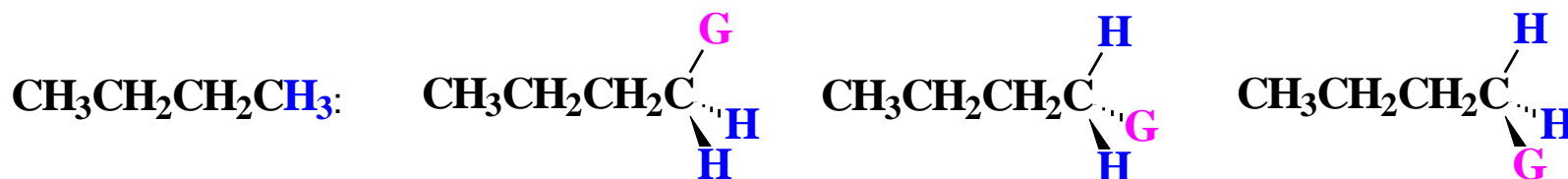
- To interpret or predict NMR spectra, one must first be able to classify proton (or carbon) environments.
- Easiest to classify are those that are unrelated, or different. Replacement of each of those one at a time with some group (G) in separate models creates constitutional isomers.



These protons have different chemical shifts. This classification is usually the most obvious.

# Classification of Protons

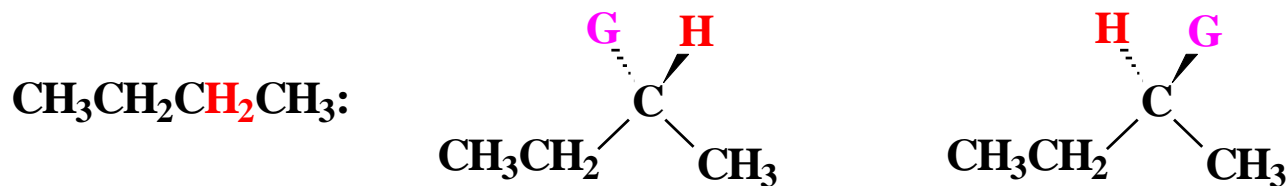
- **Homotopic** hydrogens are those that upon replacement one at a time with some group (**G**) in separate models creates identical structures.



Homotopic protons have **the same chemical shifts**. We sometimes call them identical. Methyl hydrogens will always be in this category (because of free rotation around the bond to the methyl carbon). Molecular symmetry can also make protons homotopic.

# Classification of Protons

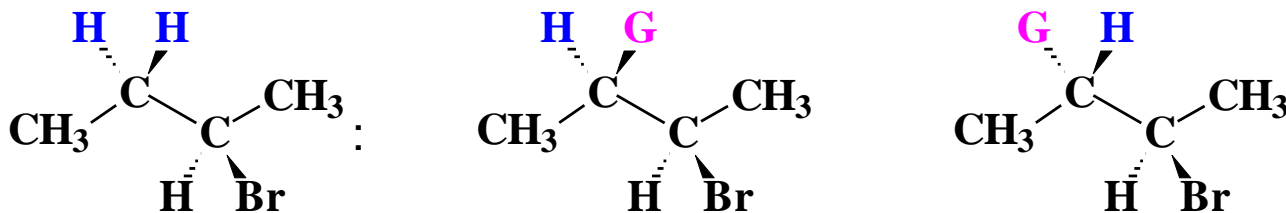
- If replacement of one hydrogen at a time in separate models creates enantiomers, the hydrogens are **enantiotopic**.



Enantiotopic protons have **the same chemical shifts**.

# Classification of Protons

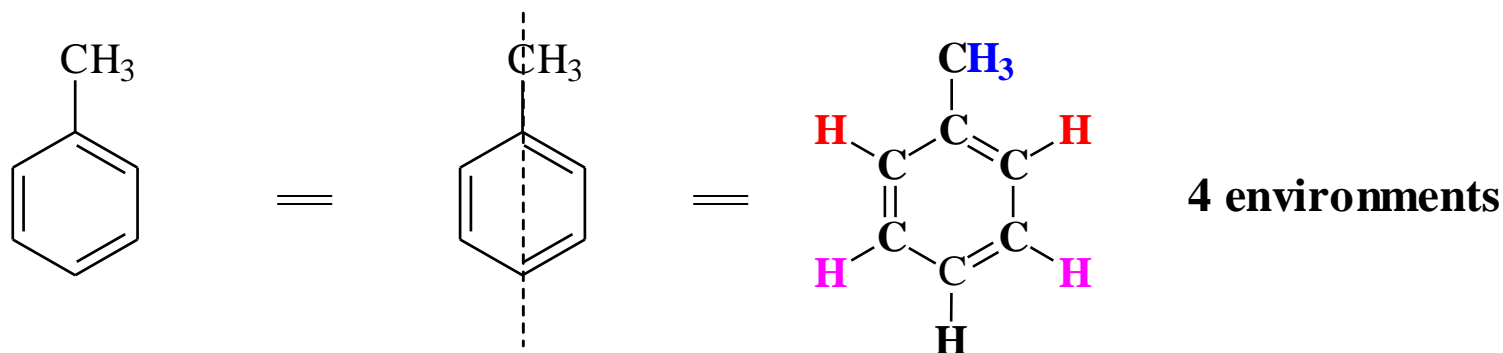
- If replacement of hydrogens in separate models creates diastereomers, the hydrogens are **diastereotopic**.



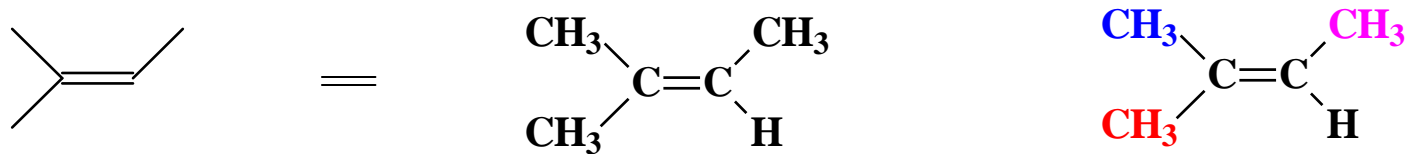
Diastereotopic protons have different chemical shifts. Usually, in order to have diastereotopic protons, there has to be a stereocenter somewhere in the molecule. However, cis-trans alkene stereoisomers may also have diastereotopic protons.

# $^1\text{H}$ NMR Problems

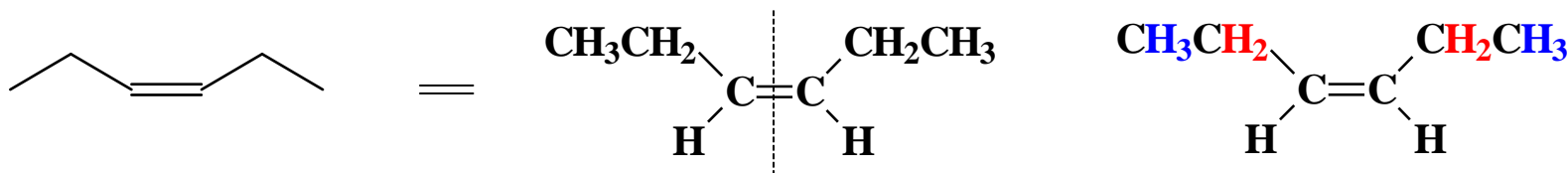
- How many unique proton environments are there in:



# $^1\text{H}$ NMR Problems



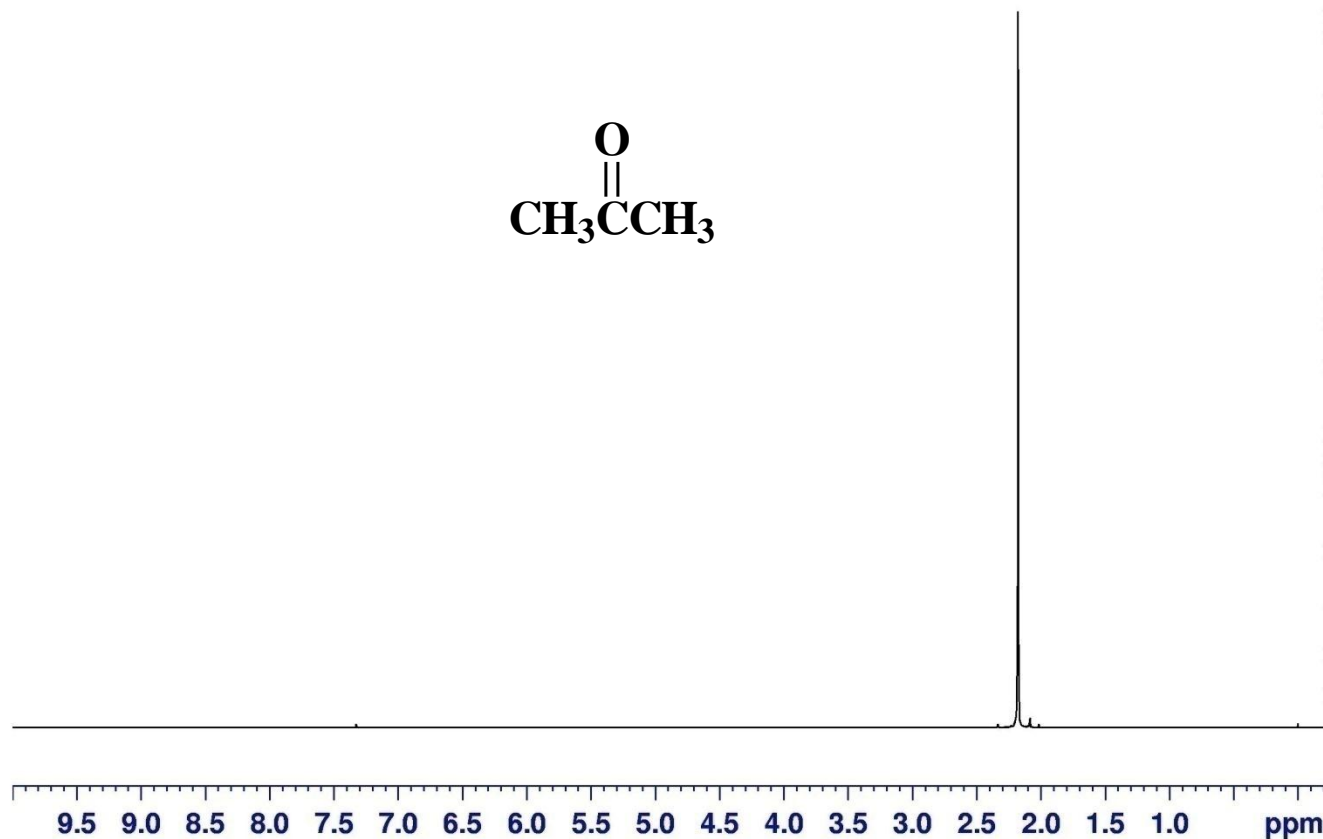
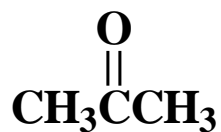
**4 environments**



**3 environments**

**Symmetry Simplifies Spectra!!!**

acetone



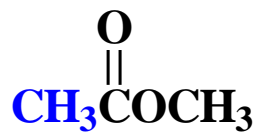
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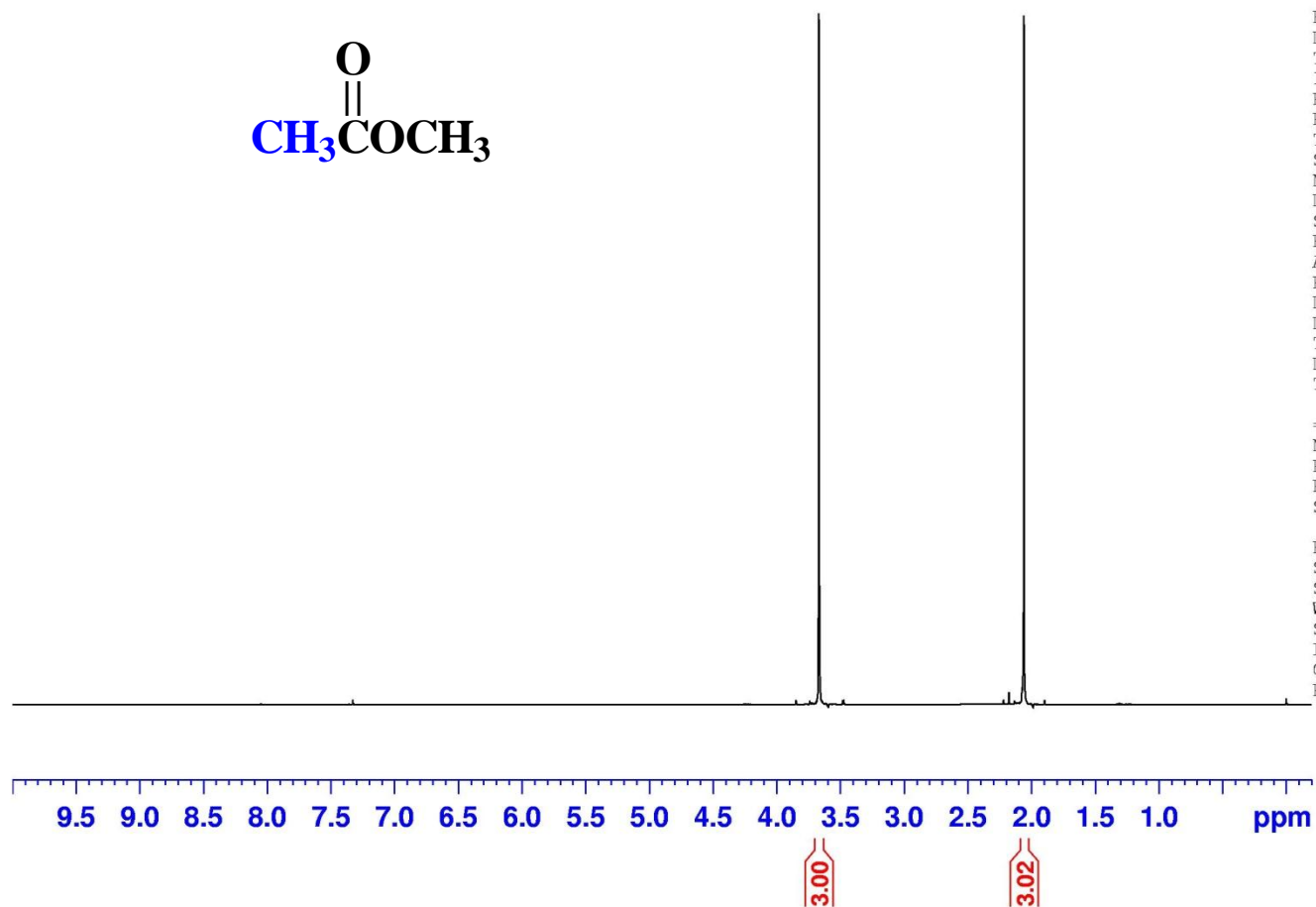
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# Spin-spin splitting (Coupling)

- Proton NMR spectra are not typically as simple as CMR ( $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR) spectra, which usually give a single peak for each different carbon atom in the structure.
- Proton NMR spectra are often much more complex.
- Because of its nuclear spin, each proton exerts a slight effect on the localized magnetic field experienced by its neighboring proton(s).
- The spin state ( $\uparrow$  or  $\downarrow$ ) of any one proton is independent of any other proton.
- The energies of protons of different spin states are so nearly equal that there is close to a 50:50 chance for each proton to be up (or down).

# Spin-spin splitting (Coupling)

- The spin states of the neighboring protons (those on the adjacent carbon) exert a small influence on the magnetic field, and therefore on the chemical shift of a given proton.
- The result is that proton signals in the NMR spectrum are typically split into multiplets. This phenomenon is called coupling; the consequence is signal splitting.
- The type of multiplet (doublet, triplet, quartet, etc.) depends on the number of protons on the next carbon.

# The n+1 rule

- The multiplicity of a proton or a group of protons is given by the n+1 rule, where n = the number of protons on the adjacent (adjoining) carbon atom (or atoms)

<u>n</u>	<u>n+1</u>	<u>multiplet name (abbrev)</u>	<u>intensity pattern</u>
1	2	<b>d</b> oublet (d)	1 : 1
2	3	<b>t</b> riplet (t)	1 : 2 : 1
3	4	<b>q</b> uartet (q)	1 : 3 : 3 : 1
4	5	quintet/pentet -	1 : 4 : 6 : 4 : 1
5	6	sextet -	1 : 5 : 10 : 10 : 5 : 1
6	7	septet/heptet -	1 : 6 : 15 : 20 : 15 : 5 : 1

# Multiplets

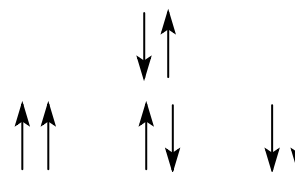
- Consider the ethyl group in chloroethane  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}$ .
- The methyl protons experience a magnetic field that is somewhat influenced by the chlorine on the adjacent carbon, but is also affected slightly by the nuclear spin states of the adjacent methylene ( $\text{CH}_2$ ) protons.
- The two  $\text{CH}_2$  protons can have the following combination of spins:

two spin up (1 way)

one up and one down (2)

two spin down (1)

magnetic field  $\longrightarrow$



**1 : 2 : 1**

- This results in a **1:2:1 triplet** for the methyl group

# Multiplets

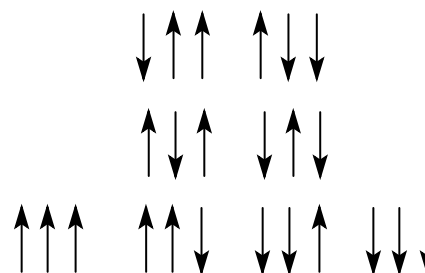
- The magnetic field experienced by the  $\text{CH}_2$  protons in chloroethane ( $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}$ ) is mainly influenced by the electronegative chlorine.
- However, it is slightly perturbed by the spin states of the three methyl ( $\text{CH}_3$ ) protons on the adjoining carbon
- They have four possible combinations of spins:

Three spin up (1 way)

Two up and one down (3)

Two down and one up (3)

Three spin down (1)

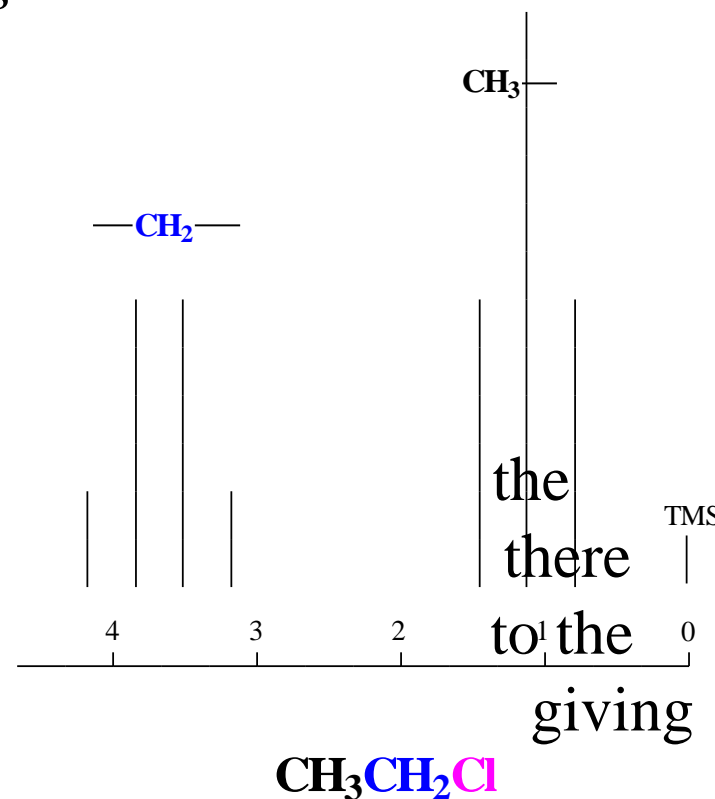


**1 : 3 : 3 : 1**

- As a result, the  $\text{CH}_2$  group appears as a **1:3:3:1 quartet**.

# Spectrum of chloroethane

- Putting the multiplets together gives the predicted spectrum.
- The pattern of a **downfield quartet** and an **upfield triplet** is typical of the presence of an ethyl group in the molecular structure.
- Note that the triplet is larger than quartet. That is because there are 3 protons giving rise to triplet, and only 2 protons give rise to the quartet.
- The integrated signal areas are in a 3:2 ratio.



# $^1\text{H}$ NMR Problems

- Predict the splitting patterns (multiplets) for each proton environment in the following:



singlet

singlet

doublet

doublet



triplet

triplet

triplet



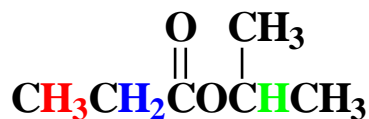
triplet

quartet

quartet

quintet

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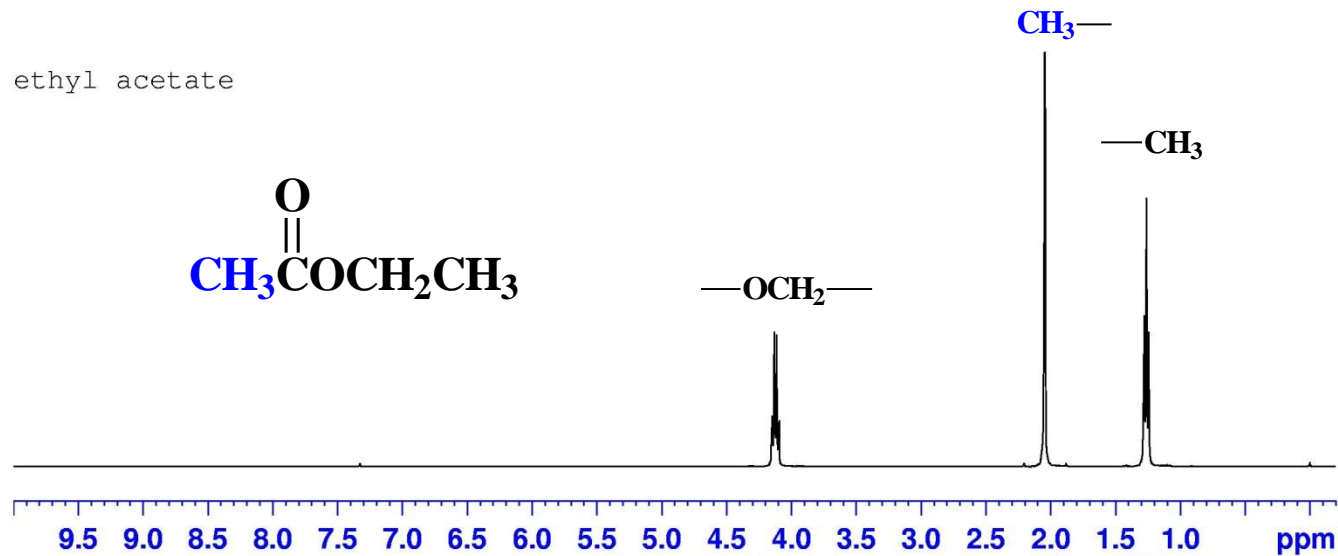


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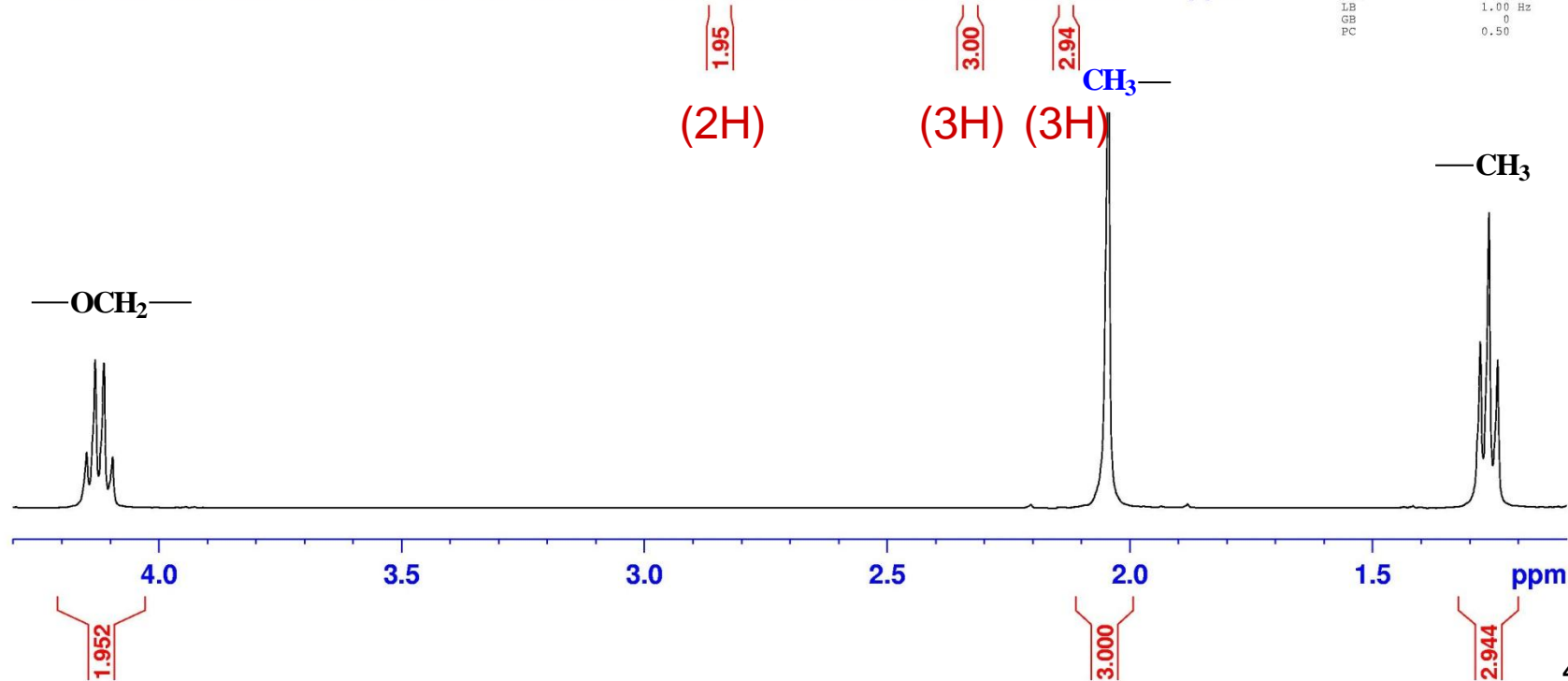
- Integration is performed to determine the relative number of protons in a given environment.
- The number is set at 1, 2 or 3 for a given peak, then the areas of the other signals are reported relative to that one.
- The integral should be rounded to the nearest whole number; after all, there is either 1, or 2, or 3 protons in a certain environment, never a decimal fraction.



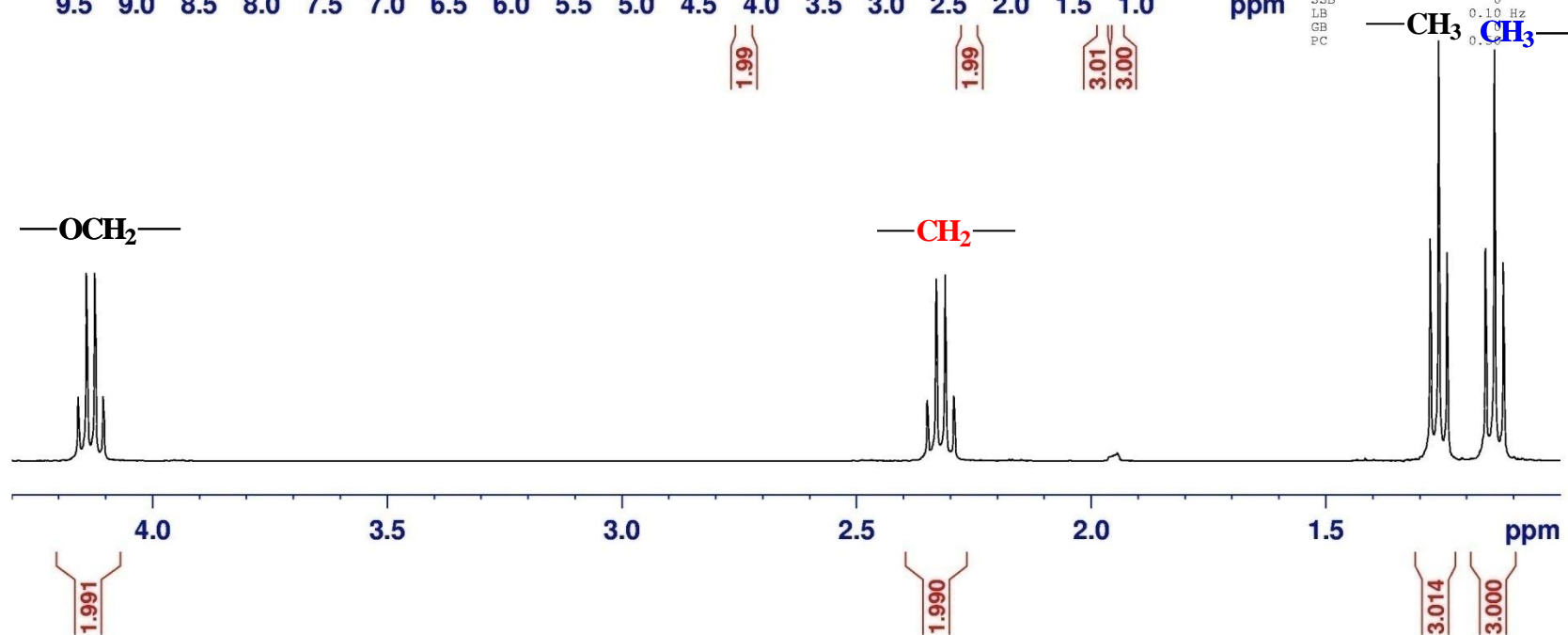
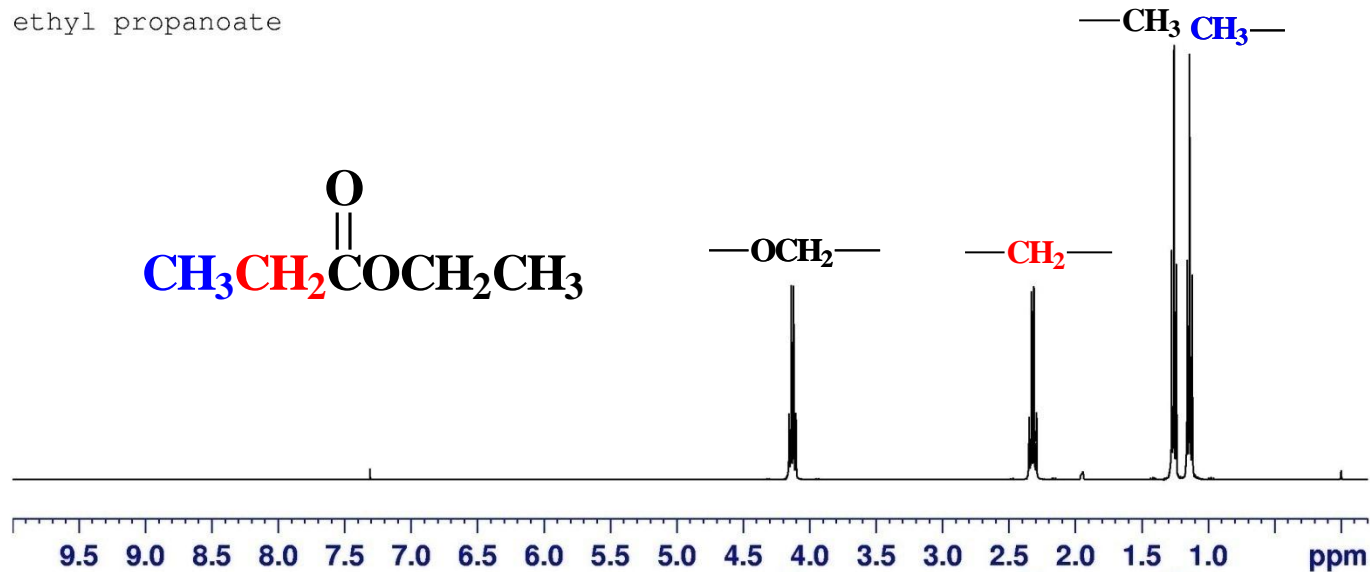
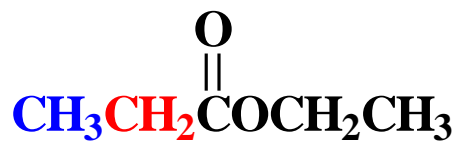
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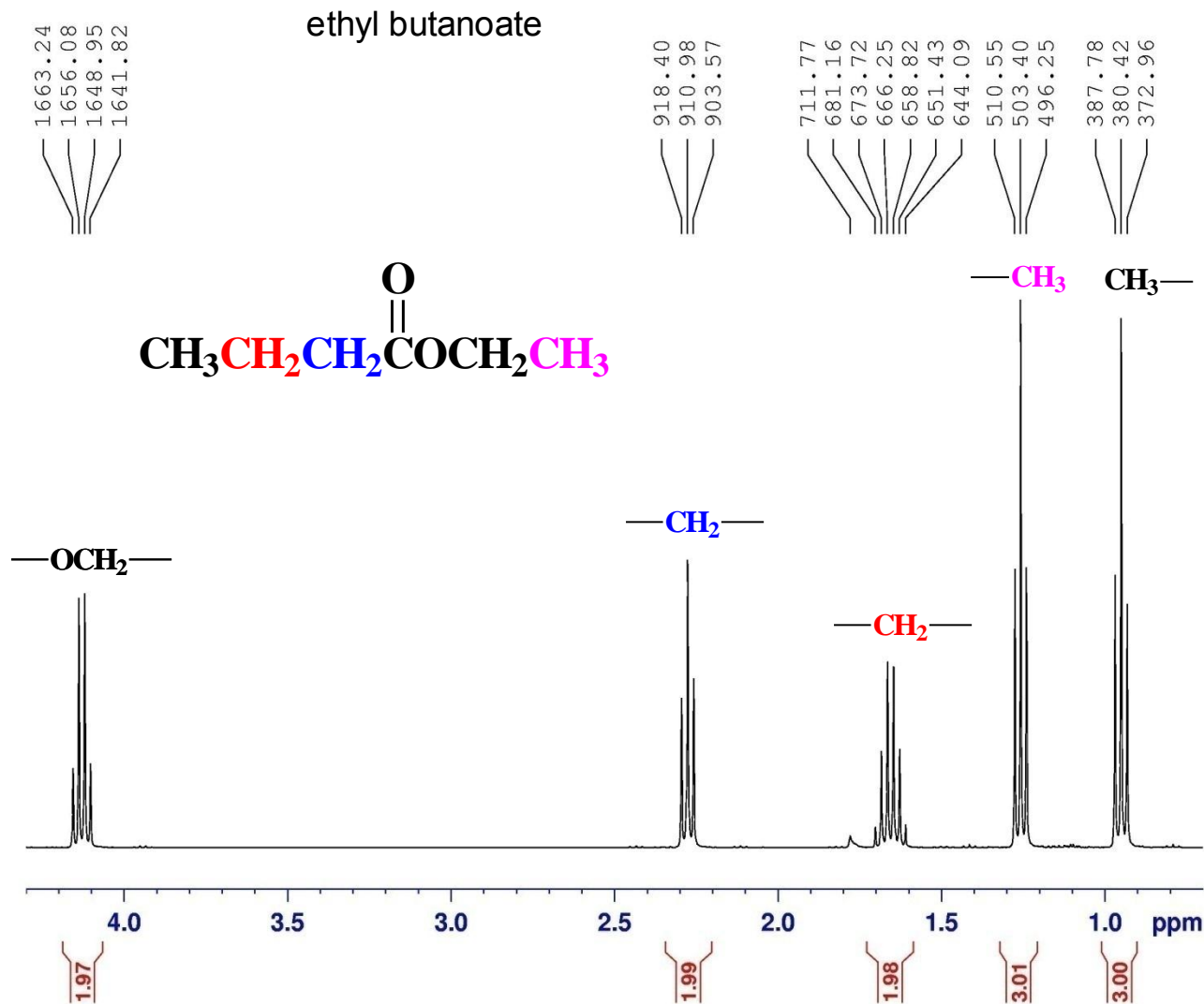


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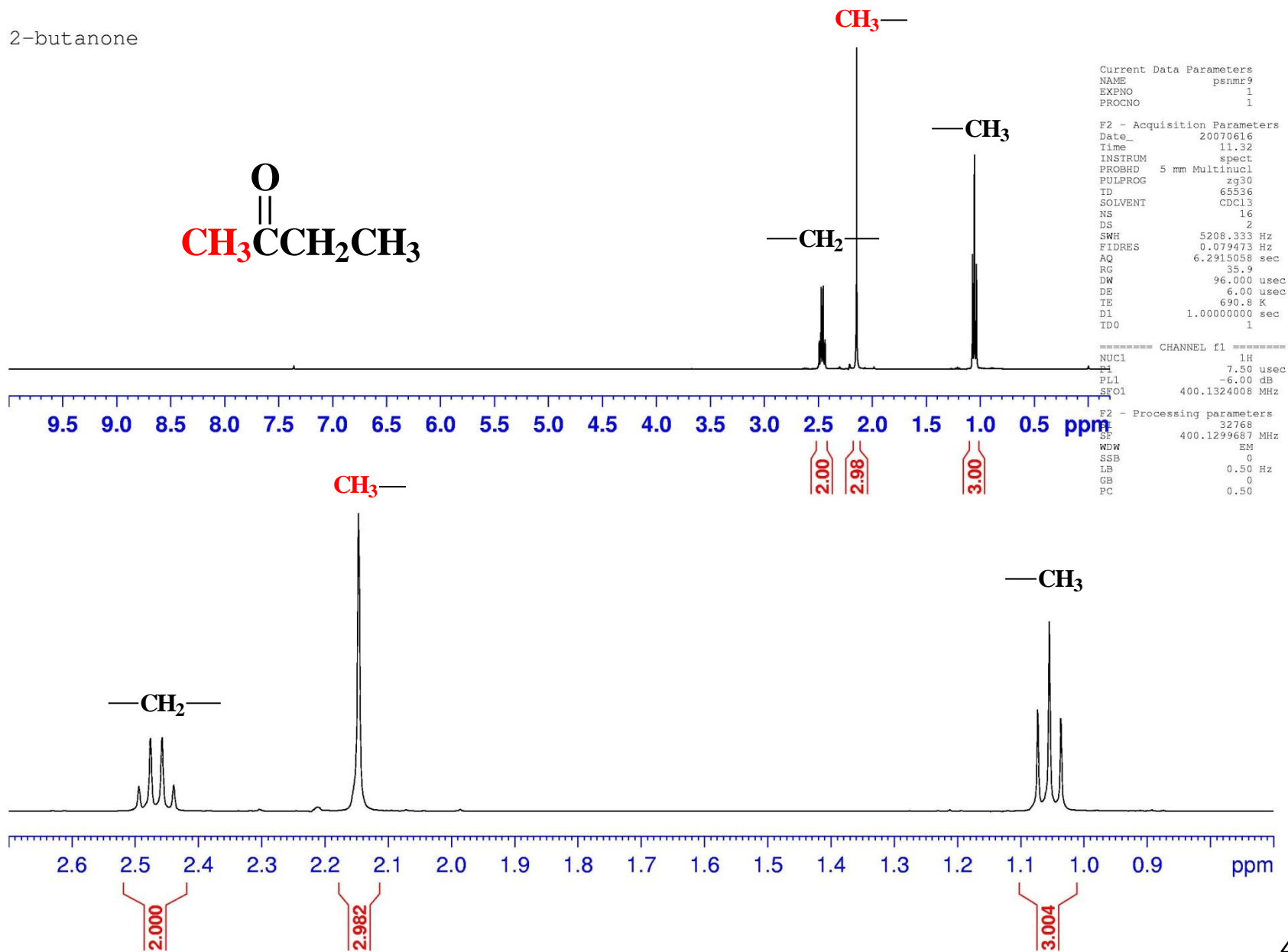
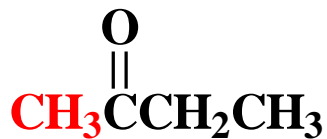
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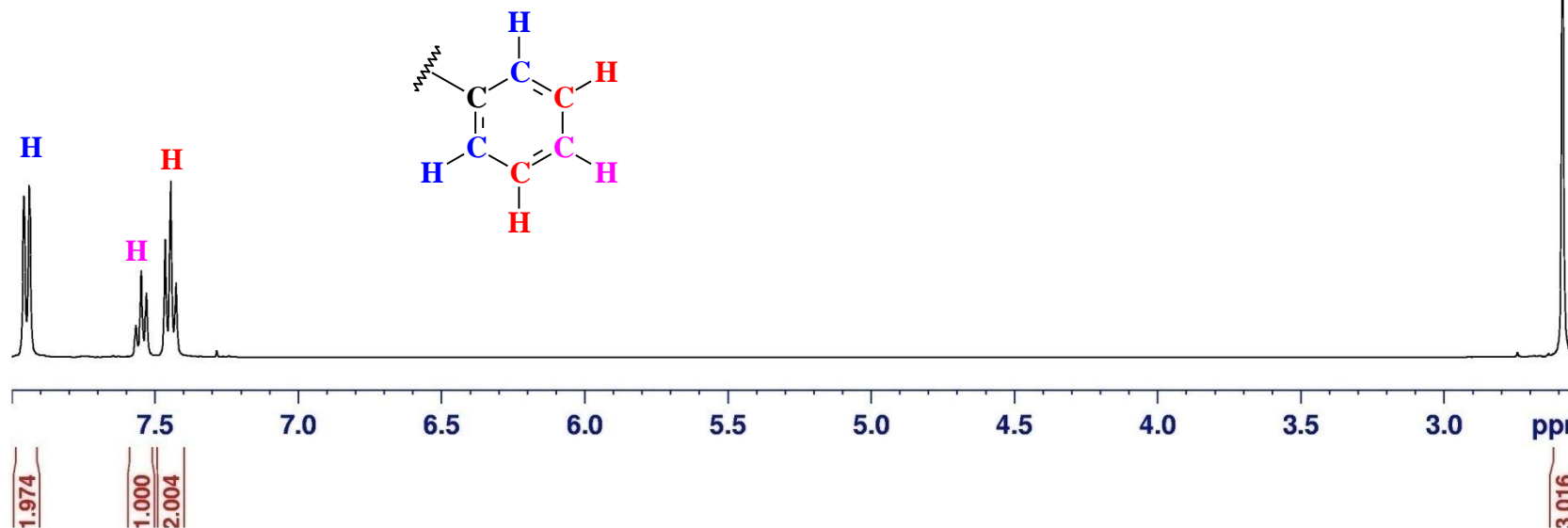
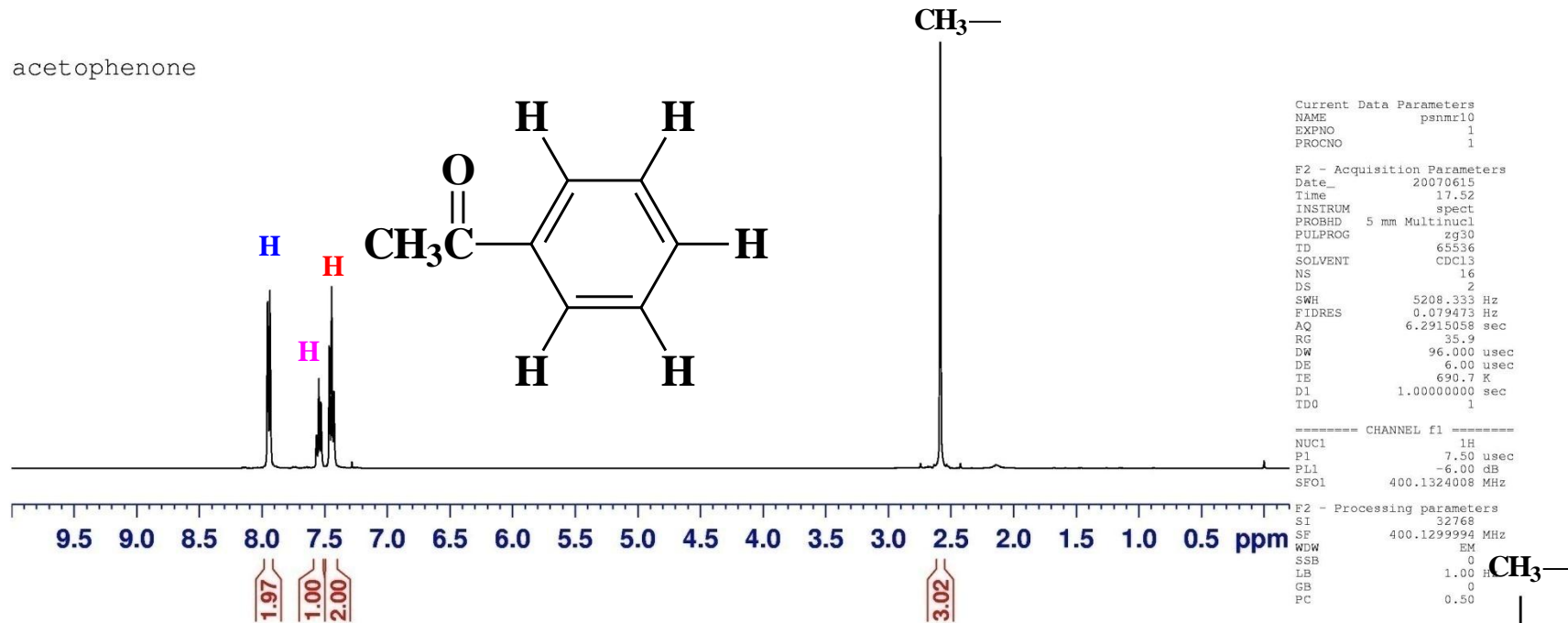
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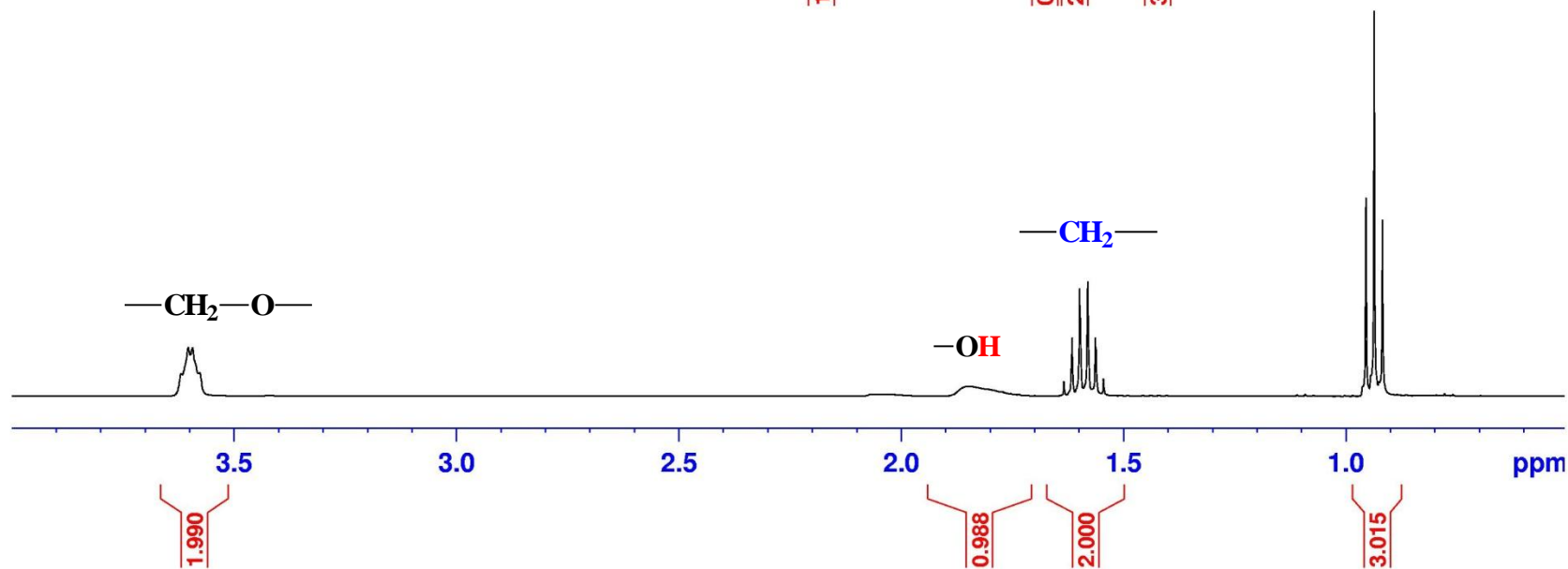
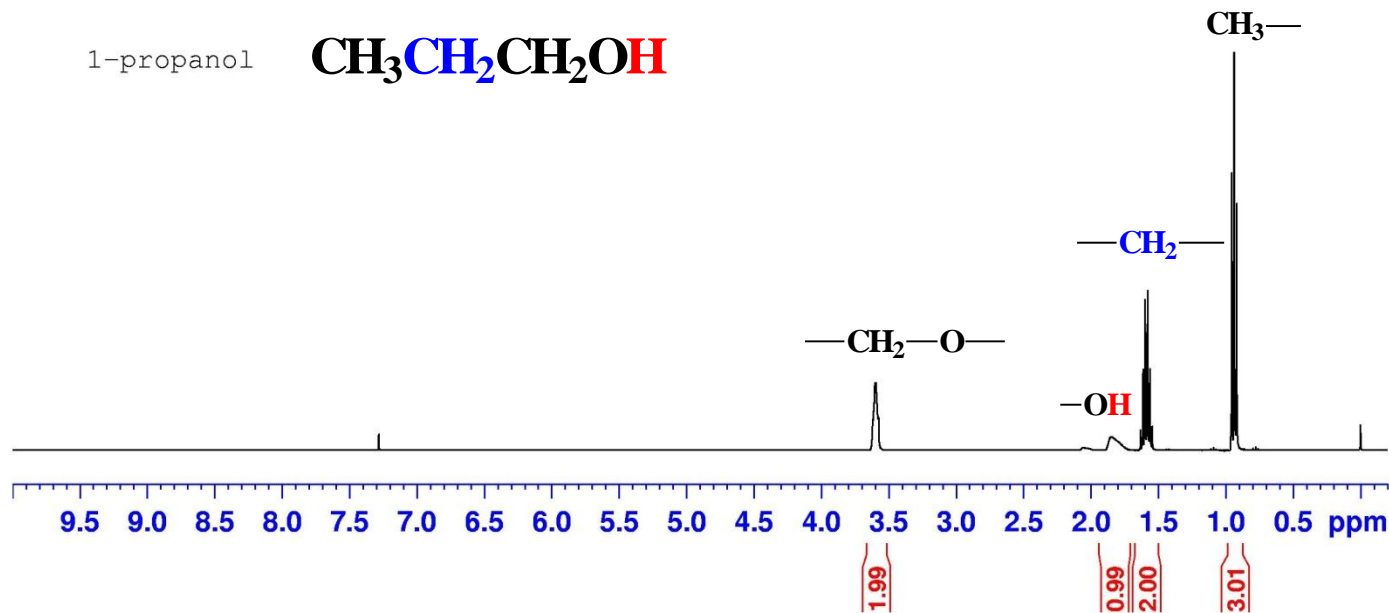
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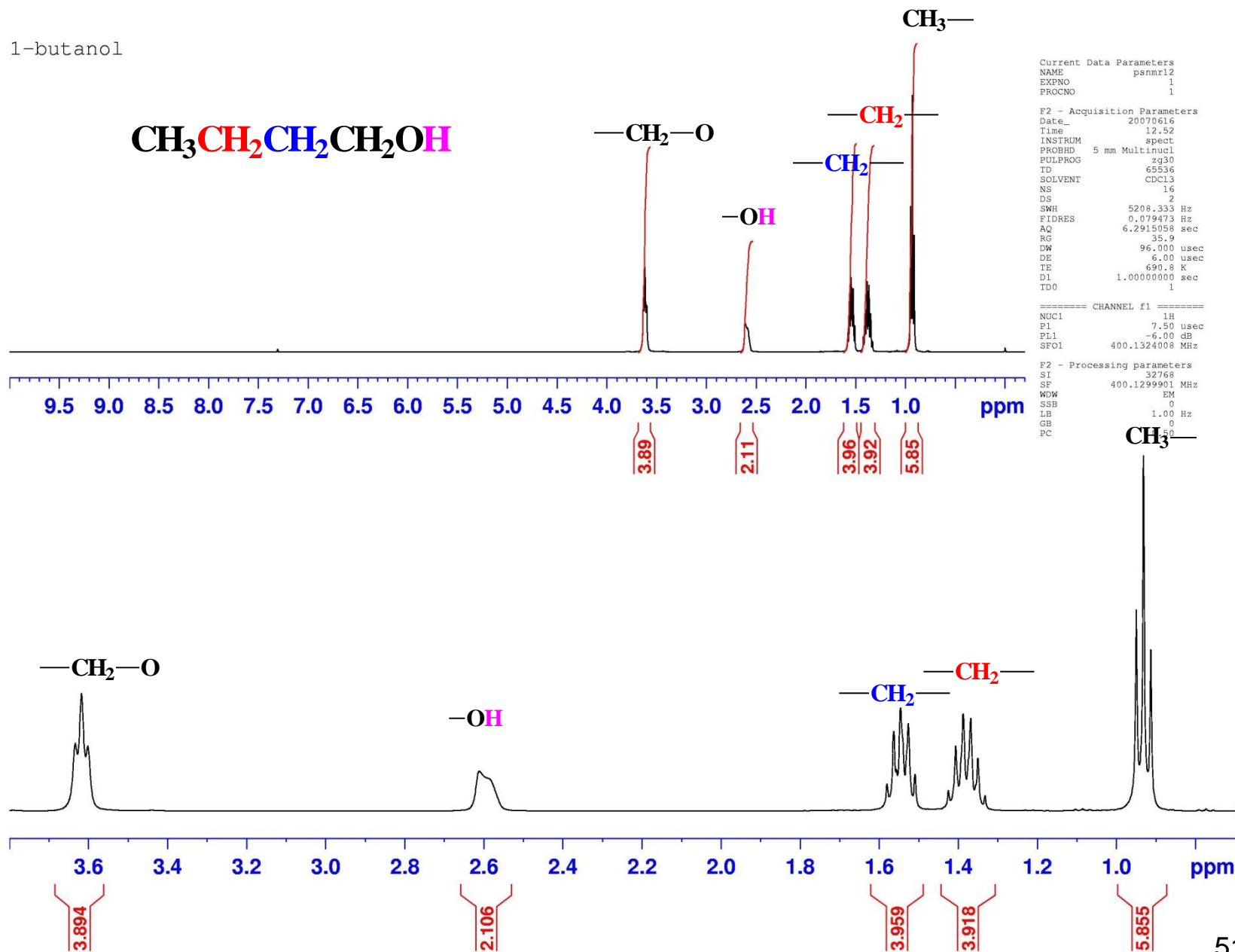
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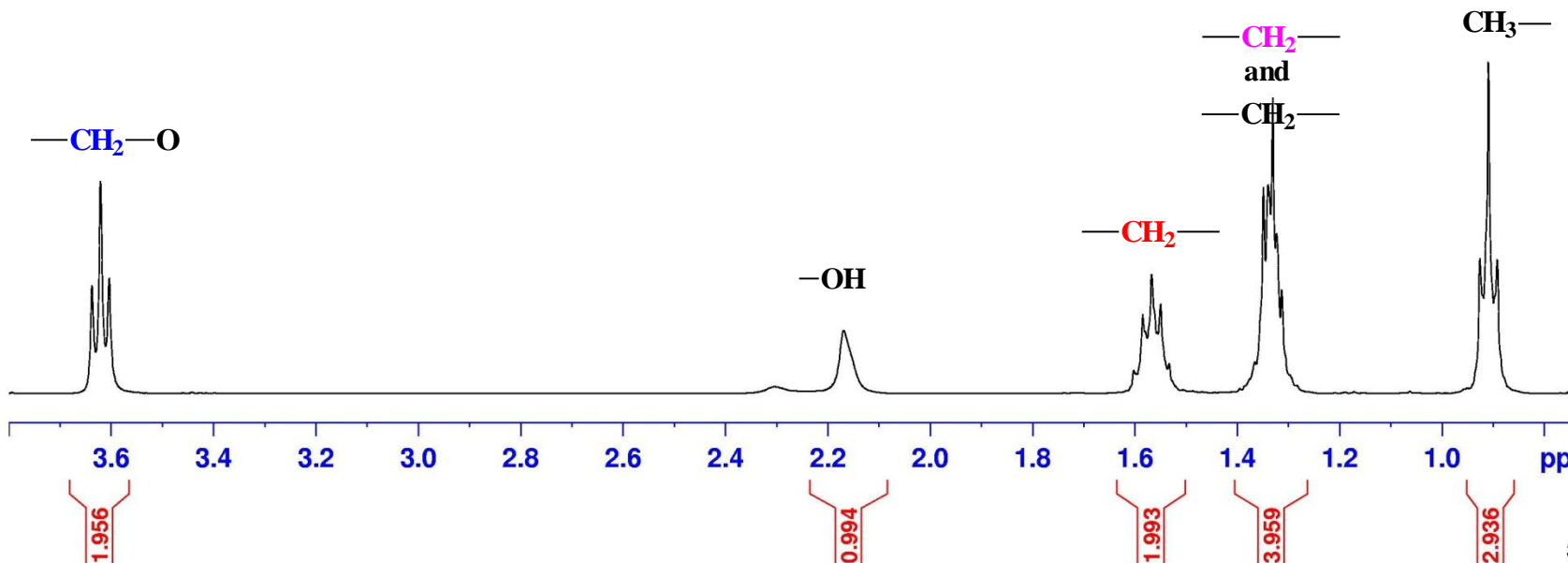
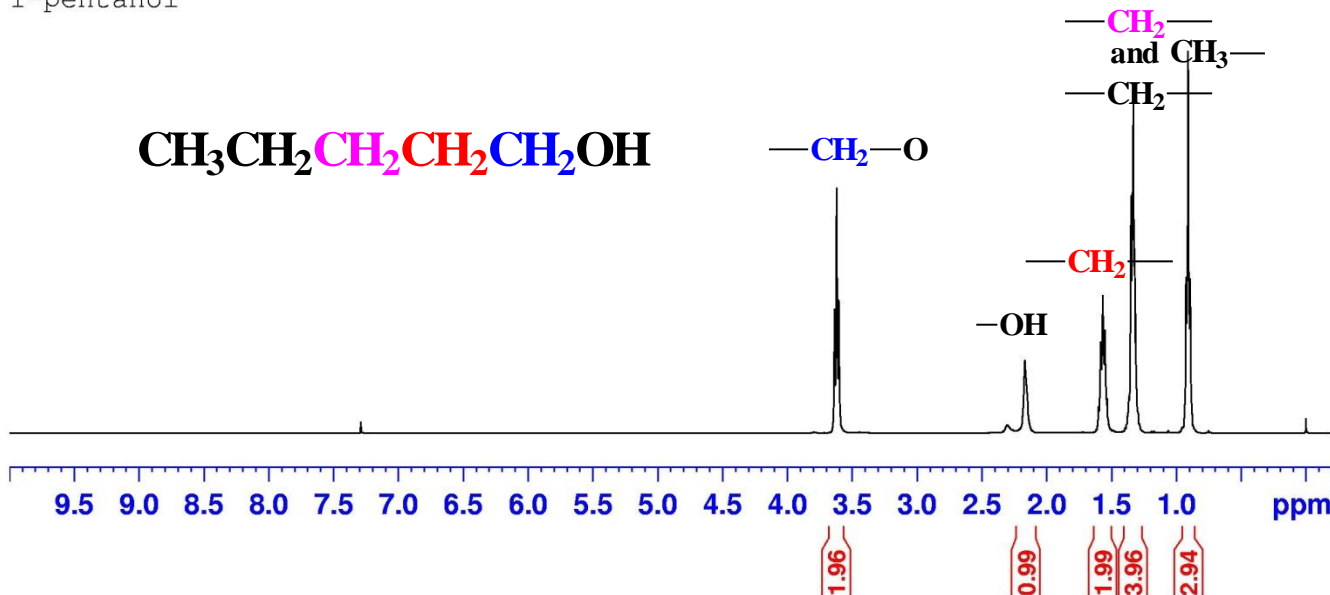
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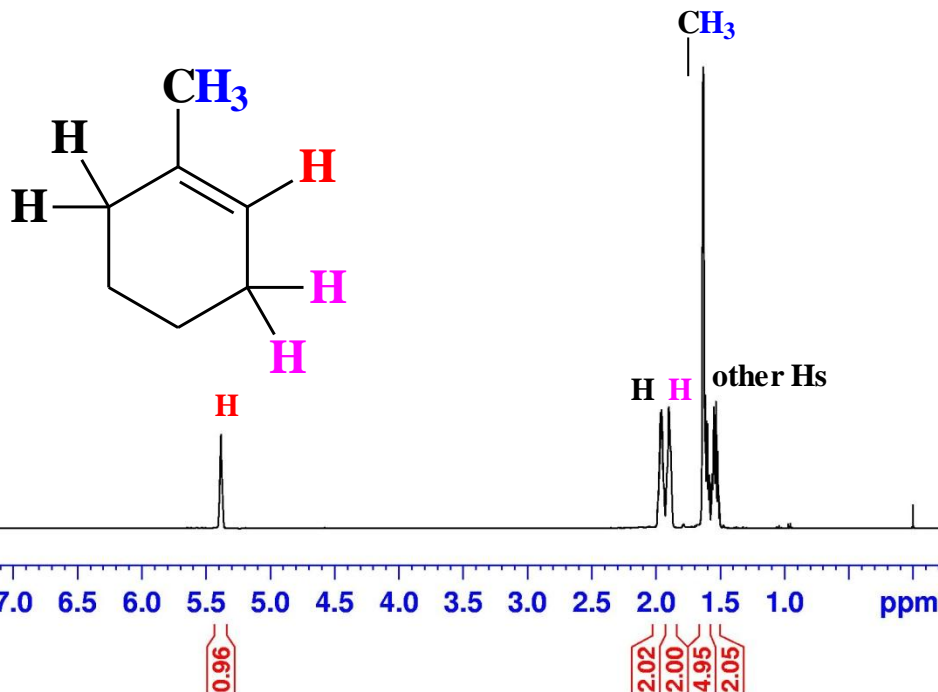


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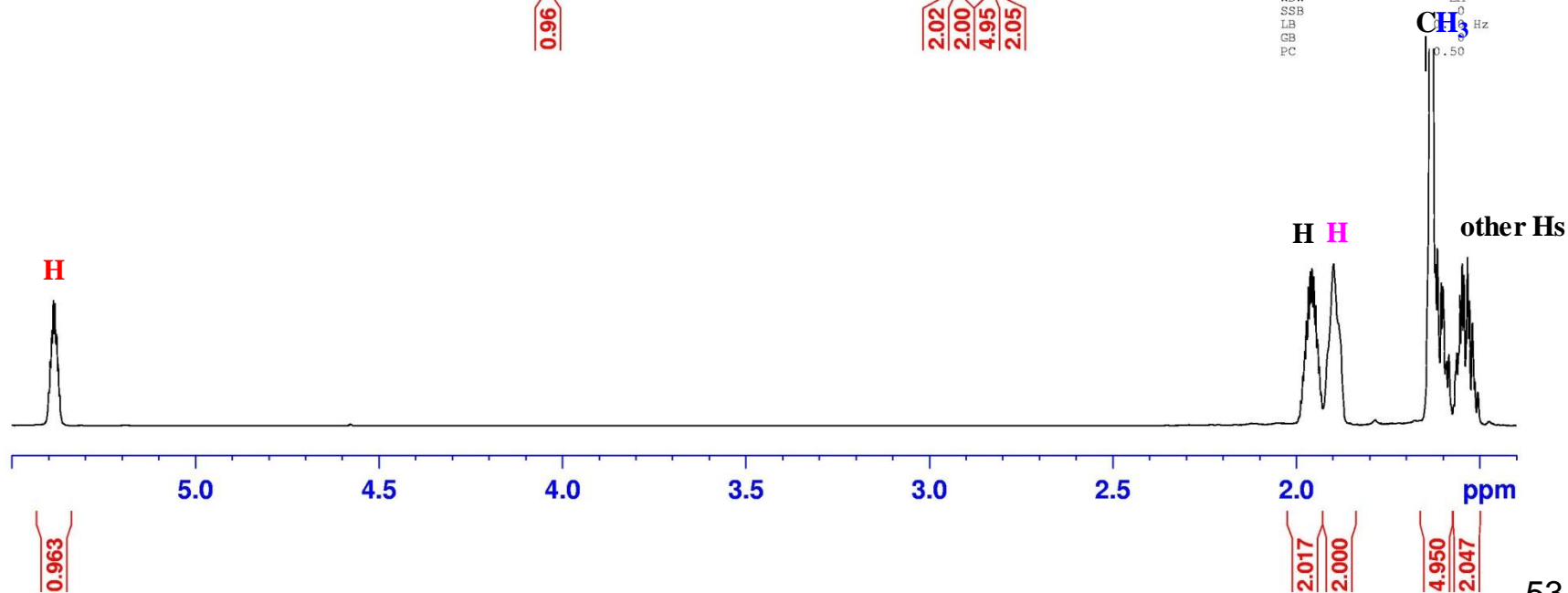


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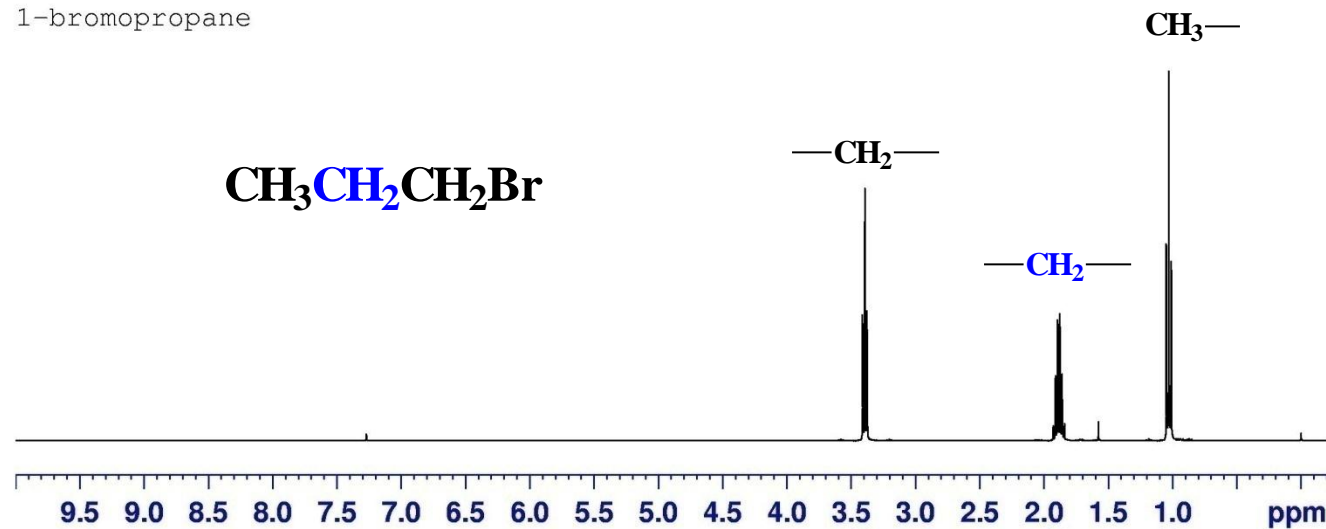
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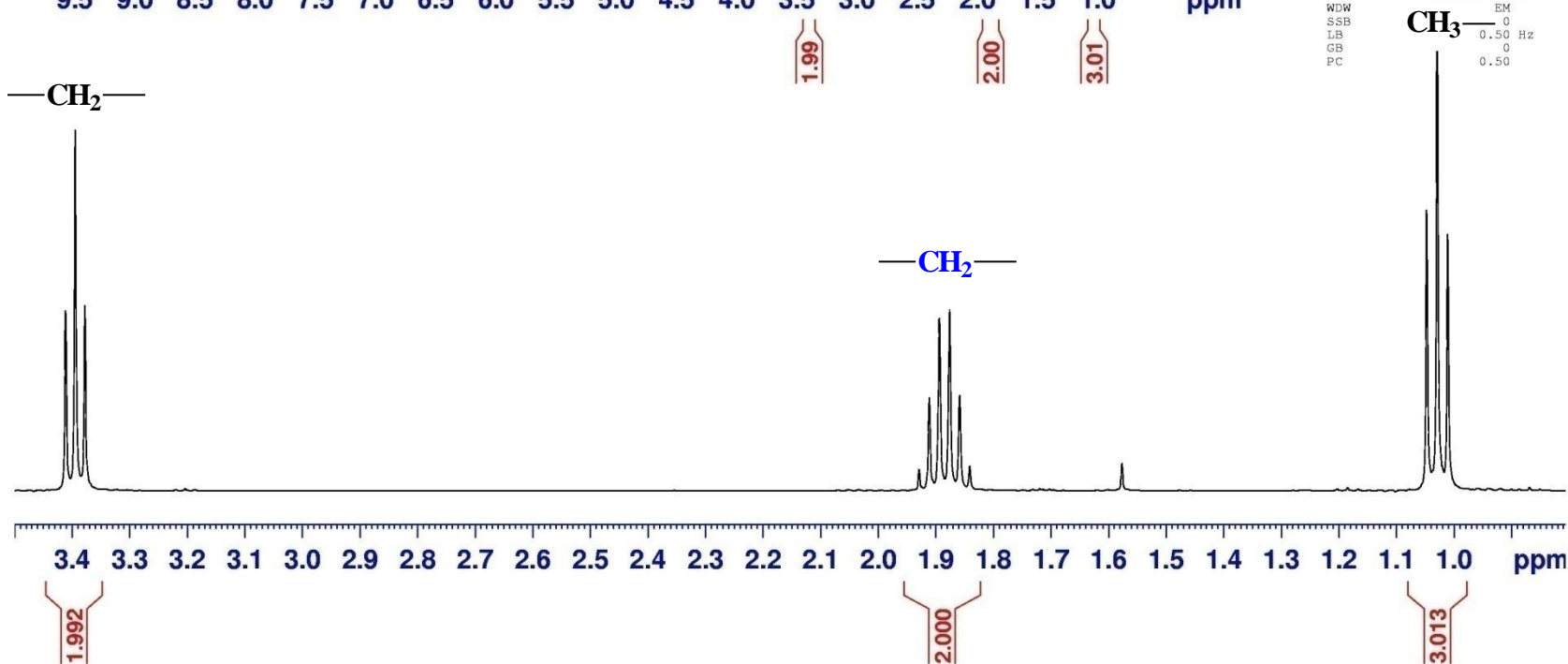
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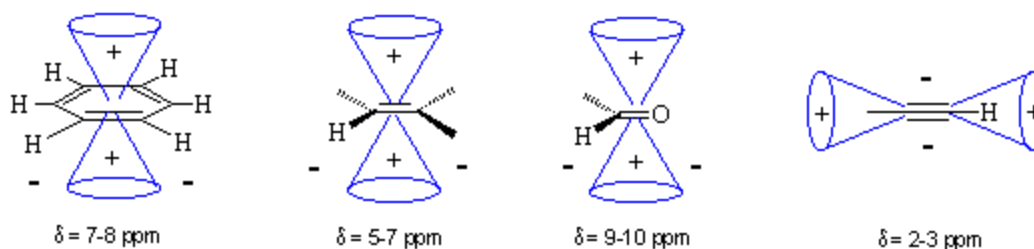
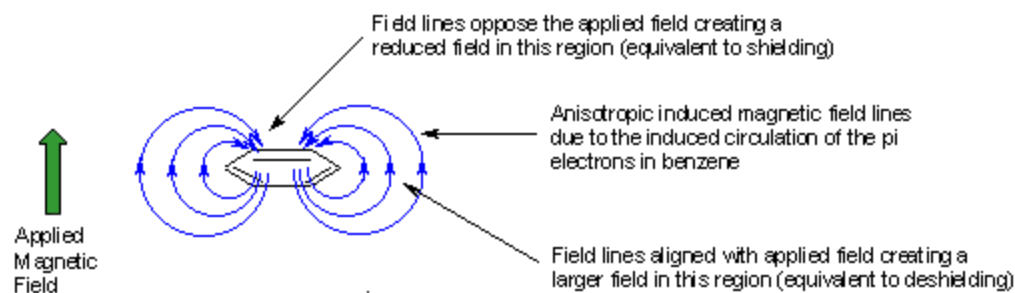
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# Magnetic Anisotropy

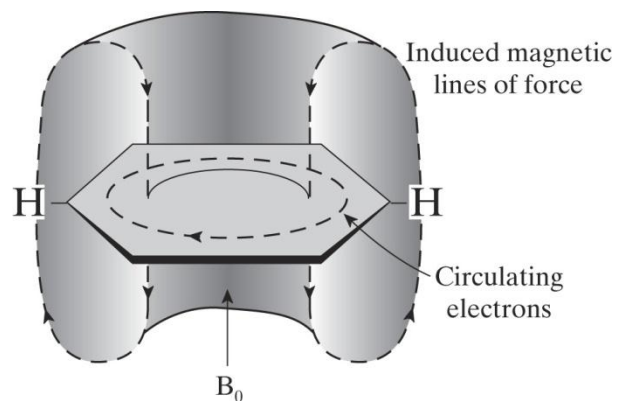
- Magnetic anisotropy means that there is a "non-uniform magnetic field". Electrons in p systems (*e.g.* aromatics, alkenes, alkynes, carbonyls *etc.*) interact with the applied field which induces a magnetic field that causes the anisotropy. As a result, the nearby protons will experience 3 fields: the applied field, the shielding field of the valence electrons and the field due to the p system. Depending on the position of the proton in this third field, it can be either shielded (smaller  $\delta$ ) or deshielded (larger  $\delta$ ), which implies that the energy required for, and the frequency of the absorption will change.

# Magnetic Anisotropy

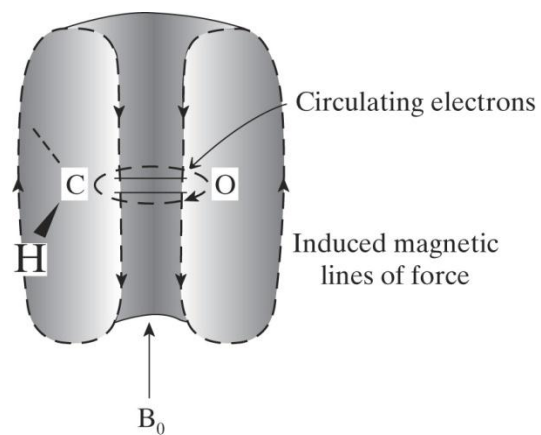


Schematic diagram of shielding cones for common pi systems. The + denotes shielding areas and - denotes deshielding areas. Remember shielding lowers the chemical shift,  $\delta$  and deshielding increases  $\delta$ . Typical H  $\delta$  values are also shown.

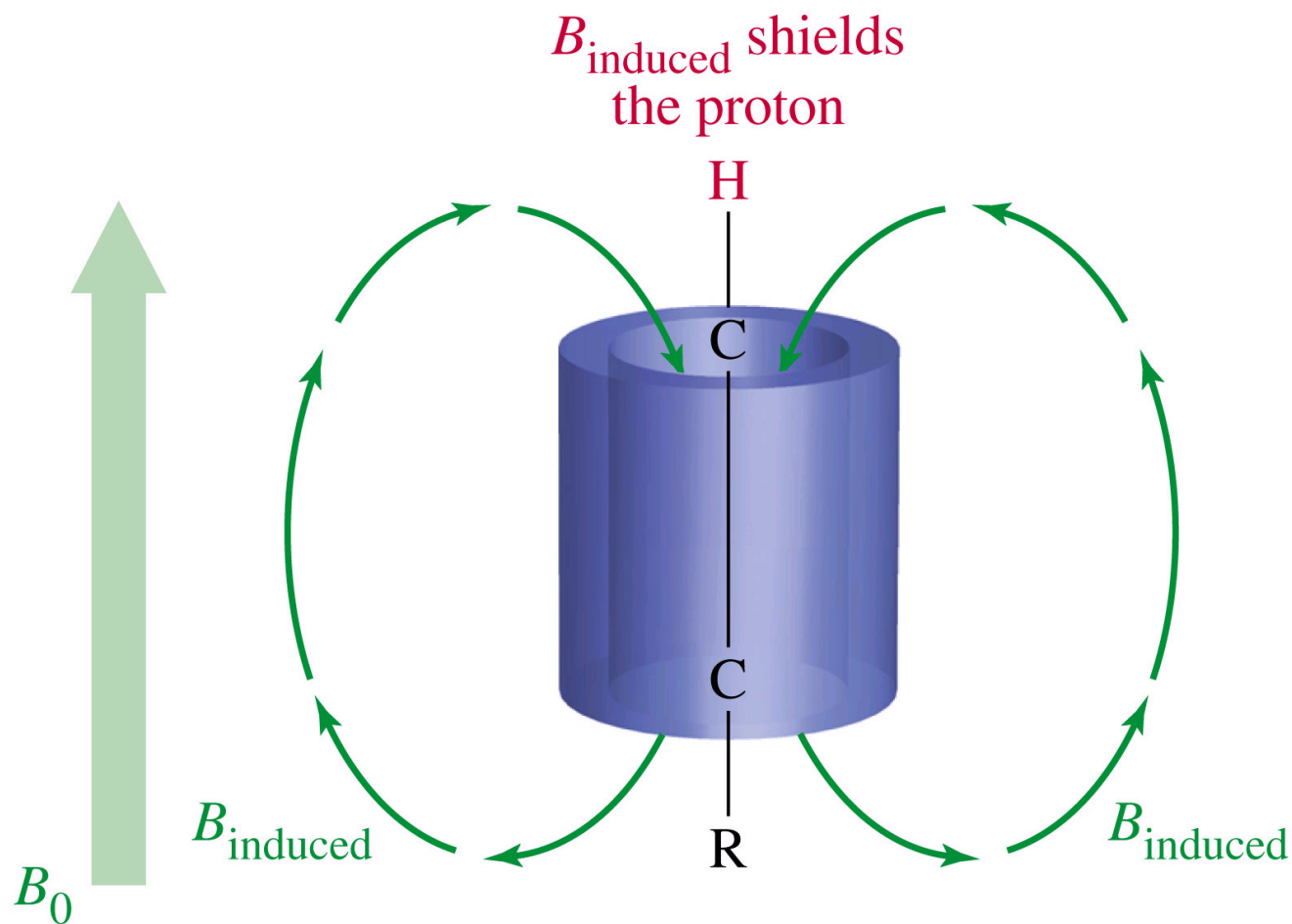
# Benzene Deshielding



# Carbonyl Deshielding



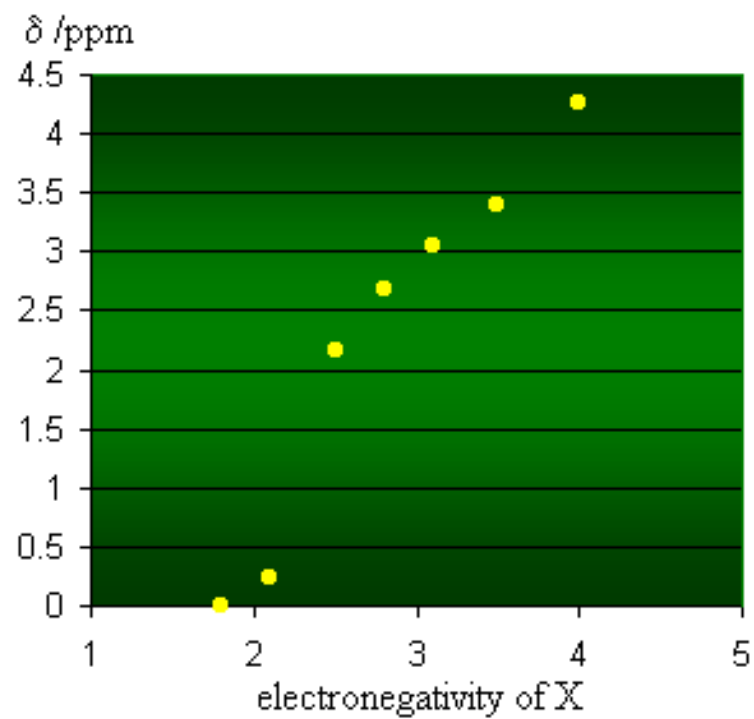
# Alkyne Shielding



# Electronegativity and chemical shift

- Since the field experienced by the proton defines the energy difference between the two spin states, the frequency and hence the chemical shift,  $\delta$  /ppm, will change depending on the **electron density** around the proton. Electronegative groups attached to the C-H system decrease the electron density around the protons, and there is **less shielding** (*i.e.* **deshielding**) so the **chemical shift increases**.
- This is reflected by the plot shown in the graph to the left which is based on the data shown below.





Compound, $\text{CH}_3\text{X}$	$\text{CH}_3\text{F}$	$\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$	$\text{CH}_3\text{Cl}$	$\text{CH}_3\text{Br}$	$\text{CH}_3\text{I}$	$\text{CH}_4$	$(\text{CH}_3)_4\text{Si}$
X	F	O	Cl	Br	I	H	Si
Electronegativity of X	4.0	3.5	3.1	2.8	2.5	2.1	1.8
Chemical shift, $\delta$ / ppm	4.26	3.4	3.05	2.68	2.16	0.23	0

These effects are **cumulative**, so the presence of more electronegative groups produce more deshielding and therefore, larger chemical shifts.

<b>Compound</b>	CH <sub>4</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> Cl	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	CHCl <sub>3</sub>
<b>δ / ppm</b>	0.23	3.05	5.30	7.27

These **inductive** effects are not just felt by the immediately adjacent protons as the disruption of electron density has an influence further down the chain. However, the effect does fade rapidly as you move away from the electronegative group. As an example, look at the chemical shifts for part of a primary bromide

<b>H signal</b>	-CH <sub>2</sub> -CH <sub>2</sub> -CH <sub>2</sub> Br
<b>δ / ppm</b>	1.25 1.69 3.30