¹H Nuclear Magnetic Resonance

Gas Chromatograph of Molecular Hydrogen at –100 °C

Whats going on?

Ortho Hydrogen Para Hydrogen

 $O/P = 1:1$ at 80 K

The magnetic moment of a spinning nucleus is colinear with the axis of spin

For a nucleus with a spin of $\pm 1/2$, only two orientations in a magnetic field are allowed. Regardless of the strength of the magnetic fields currently available, only a very slight difference in population exist between the two orientations

Processional frequency, v, is proportional to the magnetic field strength, **H**

c = λv ; λ = 3*10¹⁰ cm sec⁻¹/600*10⁶ sec⁻¹ = 50 cm

Magnetic field strength

If a nucleus experiences a different magnetic field it will precess at a different frequency and absorb at a different frequency $(E = hv)$

detector coil

Receiver coil output with time

time

Net magnetic moment detected by the detector coil. This signal is converted by the electronics and software to look like an absorption signal via a Fourier transform

A typical 1H NMR spectrum in frequency reported in parts per million

Since the frequency (cycles/sec) depends on the strength of the magnetic field, chemical shifts are reported relative to a standard, frequently tetramethylsilane (0 ppm). If the spectrum is run at a magnetic field strength that generates precessional frequencies of 300 MHz (300 million cycles per sec, 7.05 Tesla), 1 ppm is equal to 300 Hz (300 cycles per second). At 600MHz, 1 ppm = 600 Hz. Chemical shifts reported in ppm are independent of the field strength (or frequency)

Typical NMR Chemical Shifts

Tetramethylsilane $= 0$ ppm (standard)

What causes the chemical shift?

The protons are immersed in a sea of electrons which are charged and have both an electric field and a magnetic field associated with their charge.

Information obtained by a NMR spectrum

- 1. Chemical shift: indicates the type of proton
- 2. Relative areas: provide a ratio of the number of each type of H nucleus
- 3. Number of nearest neighbors (first order spectra)

Figure NMR-2. The NMR spectrum of 2,2-dimethylpropanol

Why the multiplicity?

The hydrogens are four or more bonds removed except for the OH

Consider the following:

 c —— c Hb \uparrow c —— c Hb \blacktriangledown $V_{\rm a}$ J_{ab}

If H_a has a different chemical shift from H_b, roughly 50% of the nuclei of H_b will have one orientation of their magnetic moment and the other will have just the opposite

The total field felt by H_a will be due to the external field, the local field due to electronic environment and the field due to the proton(s) three bonds removed. The field due to the local proton will either add or subtract to the total field experience by H_a. Roughly 50% will have a neighbor with a \uparrow and 50 % with a neighbor \downarrow resulting in two lines observed for H_a

 J_{ab} is called the coupling constant

With two identical neighbors:

With three identical neighbors:

 $n+1$ rule = number of lines observed equals the number of nearest Hb neighbors $+1$

neighbors are identical in the sense that the coupling constants are the same or very similar

2 3 3 2 1

Simulation of AB2 (10-09-2013, 09:57:45)

One Criterium for First Order Spectra

The chemical shift difference between the hydrogens that are coupled to each other is greater than 10 times the magnitude of the coupling constant.

1.0 0.8 0.6 0.4 0.2 ppm $Jab = 3.01$ $Vab = 109.00$ Vcentr = 150.00 $Va = 95.50$ $Vb = 204.50$ F req in H Freq in Hz (cps) Simulation of AB2 (10-09-2013, 09:59:21) 1.0 0.8 0.6 0.4 0.2 $Jab = 19.01$ $Vab = 109.00$ Vcentr = 150.00 $Va = 95.50$ $Vb = 204.50$

ppm

 X -CH₂CHY₂

¹³ C NMR: natural abundance of 1%, spin of $\frac{1}{2}$ (like hydrogen)

The probability of finding 2^{13} C atoms next to each other is 0.01^2 or 10^{-4}

Hydrogen and carbon do couple to each other. However because the amount of 13 C is so small, spectra are generally decoupled during aquisition. This is done by irradiating all the hydrogens and causing them to rapidly change their spin orientation. It is somewhat analogous to the decoupling observed in alcohols where the hydrogens three bonds removed are decoupled to an OH hydrogen due to rapid chemical exchange

Information from 13C spectra

- 1. Number of chemically different carbons
- 2. Chemical shift information: the chemical environment of the carbon

¹³ C NMR Chemical Shifts

carbon environment chemical shift (ppm)

Information from 13 C NMR

Carbon count

Chemical Shift

Which of the following alcohols produced the ¹³ C NMR spectrum below?

Common NMR solvent: $CDCl_3$; CCl_4 , CD_3SOCD_3 ; C_6D_6 ; $CD_3COCD_{3;1}$, D_2O

Deuterium 2H also has a spin; it has three orientation in a magnetic field

 $CDCl₃$

*The H-NMR peak is due to a residual amount of ${}^{1}H$ in the deuterated solvent and is small

 $\frac{1}{2}$. 7.8 *f*_s enaphthene. Same conditions as Fig. 7.7 but with decoupler ON only during acquisition time; number of transients, 150.

