Pure and simple? Understanding pure shift NMR methodology

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The NMR methodology group is jointly supervised by Gareth Morris and Mathias Nilsson, and currently has 13 members. Our research concerns the development of novel techniques in high resolution NMR spectroscopy, and their application to problems in chemistry, biochemistry, and medicine. In many cases this work leads to new pulse sequences and software tools, some of which are freely available here.

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Pulse Sequences

We are currently preparing many of our pulse sequences, parameter sets, example datasets and processing macros for the website. Some are available here but if you would like to use any of the other the sequences, as described in the publications section, please email us. The majority of sequences are available for Varian systems and we are gradually writing the Bruker variants.

The pulse sequences and any macros required for data conversion can be accessed from this part of the website.



Workshops and presentations

The slides from some of the workshops and presentations given by group members are available from this part of the website. There is a pure shift NMR package available for download as part of our 2017 workshop on pure shift NMR.

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Workshops and Presentations

Workshops

Pure shift NMR workshop - SMASH 2017

Manchester 2017 - Pure Shift NMR Workshop

SMASH 2014 - Pure Shift NMR Workshop

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Setting the scene

What *is* pure shift NMR?



Setting the scene

Why is pure shift NMR useful?



Setting the scene

How could we get a "perfect" pure shift spectrum?



Setting the scene

How do we get a pure shift spectrum?



In molecular systems with homonuclear couplings, to get a perfect pure shift spectrum is an unattainable ideal: all we can do is to approximate it as closely as possible.

Pure shift methodology

How do we get a pure shift FID?



Acquisition methods

Interferogram pure shift NMR experiments – 2D acquisition



J. Magn. Reson. 124, 486 (1997); Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 49, 3901 (2010)

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Acquisition methods



Real-time pure shift NMR experiments – 1D acquisition



Chunks are collected from a single scan

The number of chunks (n) depends on the desired chunk duration (τ_c) and acquisition time (AQ):

 $n = \tau_c AQ$

The first chunk is typically of half duration compared with all the others

 τ_1 should ideally be zero to ensure that *J* is refocused at the midpoint of each chunk (except the first one)

If not, *J* is refocused at the midpoint of every other chunk

J. Magn. Reson. 218, 141 (2012)

Pure shift methodology

How do we get a pure shift FID?



ASR methods

General mechanism for J-refocusing



Separate the effects of shifts (δ) and couplings ($J_{\rm HH}$)

- •Hard 180° pulse: reverses effects of $\boldsymbol{\delta}$ but not of \boldsymbol{J}
- •ASR: reverses both δ and J, but for active spin only, leaving passive spins unperturbed

The concept of active and passive spins



ASR methods

Active spin refocusing methods

The "active spin refocusing" element divides the available spins into *active* spins that we observe, and *passive* spins that we manipulate to suppress the effects of couplings



Bilinear rotation decoupling (BIRD)



- Isotopic dilution ensures that their coupled partners are not inverted • Protons are *active* if attached to ${}^{13}C$ (or ${}^{15}N$), *passive* if not
- Compatible with both real-time and interferogram acquisition
- In molecules with natural abundance, sensitivity is limited by 1.1 % ¹³C (0.37 % in ¹⁵N)
- Protons attached to the same ¹³C are not decoupled from one another – geminal protons appear as doublets



Chem. Phys. Lett. 93, 504 (1982)

ASR methods

Zangger-Sterk (ZS)



- Simultaneous application of a selective 180° pulse and a weak pulse field gradient
- Slice and shift selection
- Each *active* spin is excited in a narrow region (slice) of the sample
- Compatible with both real-time and interferogram acquisition
- Low sensitivity, proportional to the slice thickness (0.5-10 %)



J. Magn. Reson. 124, 486 (1997)

 ^{1}H

 180°

ASR methods

Band-selective (BS) – HOBS, BASH and BASHD



- One (frequency selection) or several resonances (band selection or multiple-frequency selection) can be homodecoupled
- Need to avoid exciting coupled protons
- Compatible with both real-time and interferogram acquisition
- Excellent sensitivity ($\geq 100 \%$)



Chem. Eur. J. 19, 17283 (2013); J. Magn. Reson. 241, 97 (2014); Chem. Commun. 50, 25127 (2014)

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Pure shift yield by chirp excitation (PSYCHE)



Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 53, 6990 (2014)

How can we use all these elements?



Active spin refocusing methods



Combining ASR elements and interferogram acquisition



Combining ASR elements and real-time acquisition



Implementing pure shift methods in 1D experiments: schematic representation



Implementing pure shift methods in 2D experiments: schematic representation



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Review applications: Magn. Reson. Chem. **53**, 399 (2015)

Structure analysis

1D pure shift NMR experiments for structure analysis of small and medium sized molecules



Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 52, 7143 (2013)

Heteronuclear 2D pure shift NMR experiments for structure analysis of small and medium sized molecules



Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 52, 11616 (2013)

Homonuclear 2D pure shift NMR experiments for structure analysis of small and medium sized molecules



Ultrahigh-resolution diffusion-ordered spectroscopy



2D Pure shift NMR experiments for accurate determination of one-bond heteronuclear coupling constants



J. Magn. Reson. 239, 110 (2014); J. Magn. Reson. 239, 130 (2014)

2D Pure shift NMR experiments for accurate determination of one-bond heteronuclear coupling constants



Chem. Commun. 50, 15702 (2014)

2D Pure shift NMR experiments for accurate determination of long-range heteronuclear coupling constants



J. Magn. Reson. 238, 63 (2014)

1D Pure shift NMR experiments for fast and accurate extraction of heteronuclear coupling constants



RSC Adv. 4, 15018 (2014)
Applications

2D Pure shift NMR experiments for fast and accurate extraction of heteronuclear coupling constants



Chem. Commun. 51, 3262 (2015)

Measurement of couplings

Applications

One-shot determination of residual dipolar coupling (RDCs) using pure shift NMR experiments



J. Org. Chem. 81, 11126 (2016)

1D pure shift NMR experiments for the study of complex mixtures



RSC Adv. 6, 100063 (2016)

2D pure shift NMR experiments for the study of complex mixtures



Chem. Eur. J. **21**, 7682 (2015)

1D pure shift NMR experiments for enantiomer and diastereomer studies



ChemPhysChem 15, 854 (2014)

Pure shift NMR experiments to measure relaxation times in overlapped regions



J. Magn. Reson. 244, 30 (2014)

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1. Workshop 1: Pure and Simple Understanding Pure Shift NMR Methodology

Do you have questions/specific topics you would like this workshop to address?



Q1 – How much S/N do you loose in each method?

Sensitivity

General overview: sensitivity of each element



Interferogram vs real-time acquisition



All spectra were acquired with an experiment time of 3 min to compare sensitivity for equal time. Pure shift experiments were acquired using a 20 ms Rsnob selective pulse, and in the interferogram experiment 20 chunks were collected

Comparison of different ASR elements



PSYCHE sensitivity limited by $\boldsymbol{\beta}$



required degree of freedom from spectral artefacts

Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 53, 6990 (2014)

ZS sensitivity limited by the thickness of the slices



The selectivity and spectral range required will determine the sensitivity in each case









How to increase the sensitivity in ZS experiments?

Using multiple-frequency selective pulses





Sequential spatial excitation and detection



EquidistantChem. Eur. J. 19NonequidistantAngew. Chem. In

Chem. Eur. J. **19**, 15472 (2013) *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **54**, 6016 (2015)

J. Magn. Reson. **233**, 92 (2013)

Using **polarization sharing** to transfer polarization from unutilized protons (passive) to selectively excited (active) protons.

Chem. Commun. 50, 8550 (2014)

Sensitivity

Real-time 2D HSQC – no sensitivity penalty



Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 52, 11616 (2013)

What should we consider when talking about spectral quality?



Signal resolution in interferogram pure shift NMR experiments



Signal resolution in real-time pure shift NMR experiments

Signal resolution in real-time experiments depends on:



FID resolution

Increasing the number of chunks improves digital resolution... ... but loses more signal and in real-time experiments more problems with irreproducibility from chunk to chunk occurs

Duration of the J-refocusing element

Increasing *J*-refocusing time loses more signal by T_2 relaxation. This makes the FID to decay faster (broader signals)...

...and also generates discontinuity from chunk to chunk (bigger chunking artefacts)



The duration on the *J*-refocusing element depends on the duration of the selective pulse (selectivity requirements)



Signal resolution in BS and ZS real-time pure shift NMR experiments



Spectral quality

Selective pulses: shape and duration



Signal resolution in BS and ZS real-time pure shift NMR experiments

Effect of BIRD timing error



BIRD

Selected traces of real-time pure shift BIRD-HSQC (${}^{1}J_{CH} = 190$ Hz). The echo time ($1/{}^{1}J_{CH}$) of the BIRD element was varied (HSQC sequence element was kept constant) Timing errors in the BIRD element lead to signal broadening

| 7.88 7.76 | 7.64 | maa |
|-----------|----------|---------|
| | | |
| 130 Hz | ~ | 10.7 Hz |
| 150 Hz | <u> </u> | 5.4 Hz |
| 170 Hz | ∧ | 3.8 Hz |
| 190 Hz | \wedge | 3.5 Hz |
| 210 Hz | \wedge | 3.9 Hz |

What should we consider when talking about spectral quality?



Spectral quality

Chunking sidebands: the origin



Typically pure shift experiments are acquire with a chunk duration (τ_c) \approx 20-40 ms

Interferogram acquisition: $\tau_c = 1/SW_1$ Real-time acquisition: $\tau_c = AQ/n$

Spectral quality

Chunking sidebands: effect on the pure shift NMR spectrum

Acquiring pure shift data in chunks of duration τ_c gives rise to *J*-sidebands with a spacing $1/\tau_c$ in the spectrum



J. Magn. Reson. 271, 99 (2016)

Chunking sidebands: effect of chunk duration (τ)



Spectral quality

Chunking sidebands: effect of J refocusing position



Spectral quality

How to suppress chunking sidebands?

SAPPHIRE: getting rid of sidebands by modulation averaging

Systematically varying the timing of the first chunk suppresses sidebands to order N in N+1 experiments

Averaging spectra measured with different τ can reduce sidebands, but does not suppress them J. Magn. Reson. **259**, 207 (2015)



Chem. Commun. 53, 10188 (2017)

Spectral quality

How to suppress chunking sidebands?



Chem. Commun. 53, 10188 (2017)

Spectral quality

Effect of distorted early data points





Spectral quality

Interferogram acquisition: effect of $SW/SW_1 \neq$ **integer**



Spectral quality

Real-time 2D HSQC



J. Biomol. NMR 62, 43 (2015)

What should we consider when talking about spectral quality?


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Strong coupling: PSYCHE vs TSE-PSYCHE

In triple spin echo (TSE) PSYCHE the addition of two extra 180° chirp pulses in the presence of weak pulsed field gradients instead of a hard 180° pulse results in additional spatiotemporal averaging and significant improvement in spectral quality



Chem. Commun., 2015, 51, 15410.

Spectral quality

Strong coupling: PSYCHE vs TSE-PSYCHE



Spectral quality

Strong coupling: PSYCHE vs TSE-PSYCHE



What should we consider when talking about spectral quality?



Practical aspects

Spectral quality

Pulse miscalibration and B₁ inhomogeneity



Chem. Commun., 2015, 51, 15410.

Practical aspects

Pulse miscalibration and B₁ inhomogeneity



Chem. Commun., 2015, 51, 15410.

Others

Speeding things up: non-uniform sampling (NUS)



ChemPhysChem. 17, 2304 (2016)

Others

Speeding things up: non-uniform sampling (NUS)

"EXACT" NMR ('burst' non-uniform sampling of data points)



PSYCHE truncated



EXACT PSYCHE 37.5%



ChemPhysChem. 18, 2081 (2017)

Practical aspects

Others

Combining pure shift experiments with covariance post-processing methods

Using generalize indirect covariance to reconstruct pure shift NMR spectra





Reconstructed homonuclear NMR spectra obtained after indirect covariance processing.

Reconstructed heteronuclear NMR spectra obtained after indirect covariance processing.

| 1st component spectrum | 2nd component spectrum | Spectrum resulting from the component spectra after covariance processing | 1st component spectrum | 2nd component spectrum | Spectrum resulting from the component spectra after covariance processing | | |
|---|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| COSY TOCSY NOESY COSY TOCSY | DIAG DIAG DIAG ME-psDIAG ME-psDIAG | psCOSY psTOCSY psNOESY ME-psCOSY ME-psTOCSY | HSQC-COSY HSQC-TOCSY HSQMBC HSQMBC-COSY HSQMBC-TOCSY ADEQUATE | DIAG DIAG DIAG DIAG DIAG DIAG | psHSQC-COSY psHSQC-TOCSY psHSQMBC psHSQMBC-COSY psHSQMBC-TOCSY psADEQUATE | | |

J. Magn. Reson. 266, 16 (2016); J. Magn. Reson. 270, 161 (2017)

Summary



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Thank you very much

for your

attention

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Question & answer session

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Pure shift reviews:

Viva la resolución! Enhancing the resolution of ¹H NMR spectra by broadband homonuclear decoupling

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Broadband ¹H homodecoupled NMR experiments: recent developments, methods and applications

L. Castañar and T. Parella, Magn. Reson. Chem., 2015, 53, 399-426.

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K. Zangger, Prog. Nucl. Magn. Reson. Spectrosc., 2015, 86-87, 1-20.

Pure shift ¹H NMR: what is next?

L. Castañar, Magn. Reson. Chem., 2017, 55, 47-53.

Example data: download from our website http://nmr.chemistry.manchester.ac.uk/pureshift

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| Workshop on pure shift NMR | | | | | | | | | | |
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| A data archive containing pure shift pulse sequences, processing software and sample experimental data is available for download via this link. | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Gareth Morris - Welcome, introduction and history - pdf - pptx | Data Archives, including instructions, sequences, parameter files and example data | | | | | | | | | |
| Peter Kiraly - Interferogram and real-time acquisition methods - pdf - pptx | Bruker Software only (< 1 Mb): Pure_shift_archive_Bruker_software_only.zip. Full (262 Mb): Pure_shift_archive_Bruker.zip. | | | | | | | | | |
| Laura Castañar - Zangger-Sterk and band-selective methods - pdf - pptx | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mohammadali Foroozandeh - PSYCHE - pdf - pptx - zip including avi videos | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ralph Adams - Other pure shift and related methods - pdf - pptx | Varian | | | | | | | | | |
| Mathias Nilsson - Practical implementation - pdf - pptx | Full (26 Mb): Pure | shift_archive | _Varian.zip. | varian_software_o | oniy.zip. | | | | | |
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| Ēriks Kupče - Bruker shaped pulse implementation - pdf - pptx | DIAG package(< 1 Mb): DIAG_package_Geneva.zip. | | | | | | | | | |

The Bruker and Varian/Agilent pure shift data and software archives can also be downloaded from DOI:10.17632/w9nz44cyft.1 and DOI:10.17632/rgj4jwcsnz.1 respectively

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