



500 MHz Solution-state NMR Procedure

(Bruker AVANCE Machines running TopSpin under WINDOWS XP)

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*****Safety Issues*****

If you have metal implants, DO NOT do NMR yourself;

Take everything ferromagnetic or vulnerable to magnetic field, such as mechanic watches, cellular phones, keys, credit cards, bank cards, tapes, computer disks, etc., out of your pockets and put them somewhere away from magnets;

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I. Sample preparation

- 1. NMR tubes of 5mm in OD (typically 7" long) are used and available from:
 - i. Chemistry Department Stockroom, UCSB (Phone: x2107)
 - ii. Aldrich (Phone: 800-558-9160)
 - iii. Wilmad (Phone: 800-220-5171).

Please get tubes for 500MHz or higher.

2. Samples are dissolved in **deuterated** solvents for three purposes:

Preferred concentration: >0.1 mM and >50mM for ¹H and ¹³C, respectively, and sample volume: > 0.5 ml or >4 cm in height for 5 mm tubes.

- i. Deuteration removes solvent ¹H signals which would otherwise dominate the ¹H spectrum.
- ii. Deuterons provide a lock signal.

Lock is a deuterium NMR process that the spectrometer uses to prevent the magnetic field from changing during the course of nmr experiments, thus locking the spectrometer.

Deuterons provide an internal reference for the spectra of ¹H, ¹³C, ²⁹Si, ³¹P, etc., rendering addition of reference standards such as TMS unnecessary.

W Label your samples with your name and your advisor's name. This helps us take care of unknown samples.

II. Sign onto Logsheet

Enter

- 1. your name
- 2. your advisor's name and department
- 3. your recharge account number (in the format: 8-4xxxxx-xxxxx-3)
- 4. your start time
- 5. (Do this at the end of experiment: your stop time and duration of experiment)
- 6. (Do this at the end of experiment: Status of instrument and report problems if any)

III. Start TopSpin Software

- 1. Make sure that the spectrometer is idle by looking at the computer. If yes, proceed to Step 2 below (if no, either wait, talk to the user on the machine, or do something else).
- 2. Login into the WINDOWS computer:

Type your username, hit the Tab key (Don't use return here!) Type your password, hit return 3. Double click the TopSpin icon on the desktop, the last dataset from your previous login session will appear.

Power of right-click provides more functions and options. If you cannot find something you want, try the right mouse button.

IV. How to Load/Change Samples



- 1. Load samples onto the sample changer as below:
 - i. Put samples in the blue spinners, measure depth with the depth gauge.



- ii. Clean the bottom half of sample tube with napkin while holding the top half;
- iii. Load them in the slots sequentially to the left of the white plastic piece with words "<u>TO START</u>:", starting with the first slot.
- iv. Please check that all samples have been correctly loaded and record the position of samples.

The rotation of sample tray is controlled by air either manually or automatically, depending on whichever mode is set and used. The rotation is clockwise when viewed from the top.

2. Push "Lift ON/OFF" button on the BSMS panel. The CDCl3 sample will come up and the sample tray will rotate. The 1st sample will be at the position to load and descend to the top of shim stack;



- After ~10s (or when you don't see the sample), press "Lift ON/OFF" button on the BSMS panel again to let the sample go down into the magnet. Wait for 10~15s for sample status LED to show DOWN (green);
 - 4. Place the D_2O sample in the next available slot following your sample(s), which would be the 1st slot if you have only one sample to run;
 - 5. Run experiments using the procedure below for the 1st sample;
 - 6. Once done with the 1st sample, repeat steps 2, 3, and 5 for the next sample and other samples if available;
 - 7. Once done with all samples, do steps 2 and 3 to load the D_2O sample, and lock the magnet for wrap-up as described in "Finishing up" at the end of the procedure.

V. ¹H-NMR Setup and Data Acquisition

Spectrometer Processing

Click **Data Acquisition Guide**, the flow chart below appears at the right side of the data area:



The guide will walk you through the data acquisition process interactively.

1. Click on **New Experiment** (or *File* \rightarrow *New*) [*New*] (Words in brackets are the corresponding commands): a window pops up where you can

New			
Prepare for a new experiment by creating a new data set and initializing its NMR parameters according to the selected experiment type.			
NAME	Soil_Decomposition		
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PROCNO	1		
DIR	C:\Bruker\TOPSPIN		
USER	nmrsu		
Solvent			
Experiment	PROTON		
TITLE			
1H zg Soil from H	Iowaii, pH=7, CDCI3		
	OK Cancel More Info Help		

Name*:	Soil_Decomposition (e.g.)	(meaningful or descriptive)
EXPNO*:	1	(start with 1)
PROCNO:	1	(start with 1)
DU:	C:\Bruker\TOPSPIN	(don't change)
USER:	(your loginname)	(e.g. ssmith)
Solvent:	(leave it alone b/c it will be	set when locking)
Experiment:	e.g. PROTON	(experiment you want to do)
	or choose "Use Current Para	ams" if you want to run the
	same experiment as the curr	ent data in display ^{\$} .
Title:	(any information useful for a	current sample, project, and/or
	experiment)	

* A: IF YOU DO NOT CHANGE EITHER THE NAME OR THE EXPNO OF YOUR DATASET, YOU MAY OVERWRITE YOUR OLD DATA AND LOSE IT FOREVER.

\$ To display an old dataset, go to the browser on the left, find and right-click on the desired dataset, and choose "Display" or "Display in a New Window".

2. Click on **Lock**, which opens a solvents table. Select the solvent for your sample followed by *OK*. Wait for 1-2 min until you see that the Lock ON/OFF button on BSMS panel stays steady and a flat line (maybe noisy) sweeps back and forth in alternative red/green colors near the top of the lock window below. [See Appendix A: Lock troubleshooting].

🥌 Solvents table	\mathbf{X}		
△ Solvent	Description		
Acetic	acetic acid-d4		
Acetone	acetone-d6		
C6D6	benzene-d6		
CD2CI2	methylenechloride-d2		
CD3CN	acetonitrile-d3		
CDCI3	chloroform-d		
CH3CN+D2O	HPLC Solvent (Acetonitril/D2O)		
CH3OH+D2O	HPLC Solvent (Methanol/D2O)		
D2O	deuteriumoxide		
DEE	diethylether-d10		
Dioxane	dioxane-d8		
DME	dimethylether-d6		
DMF	dimethylformamide-d7		
DMSO	dimethylsulfoxide-d6		
EtOD	ethanol-d6		
H2O+D2O	90%H2O and 10%D2O		
MeOD	methanol-d4		
oC6D4Cl2	o-dichlorobenzene-d4		
Pyr	pyridine-d5		
TCE	1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane-d2		
TFA	trifluoroacetic acid-d		
THF	tetrahydrofurane-d8		
Tol	toluene-d8		
	OK Cancel		

 Double click the small lock display screen to open the large lock display window. If it is not in the front, bring it up by clicking on the corresponding icon at the bottom of screen.

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4. Check sample rotation (Don't Click on **Sample Rotation** , just consider it a checklist item): Make sure Sample Rotation is ON.

Press the "**Spin ON/OFF**" button on the BSMS panel to toggle sample rotation ON and OFF. When turning on, the button will be lit flashing first and then becomes steady in about 15 s.

5. Shimming (Don't click on Shim $\boxed{\boxed{1}}$, just consider it a checklist item):

A) Manual Shimming

- Make sure the lock display is visible. If not, bring it up by clicking on
 Lock Display at the bottom of screen or on the orange square at the right hand side of the upper toolbar.
- Press "Z1" button and turn the wheel on the BSMS panel to shim Z1. The higher the lock signal, the better the shim. When the lock signal is at its highest, switch to Z2.

If lock signal is out of window, on the panel press the "Lock Gain" button and reduce the value by turning the wheel to bring lock signal down to the visible region of lock display.

- Press "Z2" button and turn the wheel on the BSMS panel to shim Z2. The higher the lock signal, the better the shim. When the lock signal is at its highest, switch to Z.
- Repeat Z1 and Z2 shimming above for 3 to 5 rounds until the lock level is optimized.
- Press "Standby" button on the BSMS panel to deactivate the wheel, so as to prevent accidental change of shims.
- B) Now you're done with shimming and it is time to proceed for experiments.

Please see <u>Appendix B: Manual Shimming</u> for how to shim manually.

6. Click on Acquisition Pars [ased] for modification of parameters. Set "*TD*" = 32k, "*NS*" = 8 and "*DS*" = 0 for simple ¹H experiments for practical samples.

Please refer to <u>Appendix</u> for simple spin dynamics of one-pulse FT-NMR.

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Spectrum P	Spectrum ProcPars AcquPars Title PulseProg Peaks Integrals Sample Structure Fid				
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General	General				
Channel f1	PULPROG =	zg30	? pulse program for acquisition		
	TD =	32768	time domain size		
	NS =	8	number of scans		
	DS =	0	number of dummy scans		
	SWH [Hz] =	4139.07	sweep width in Hz		
	AQ [s] =	3.9584243	acquisition time		
	RG =	228.1	receiver gain		
	DW [µs] =	120.800	dwell time		
	DE [µs] =	6.50	pre-scan-delay		
	D1 [s] =	1.00000000	relaxation delay; 1-5 * T1		
	TDO =	1	Dimension of accumulation loop		
Channel f1					
	NUC1 =	1H Edit	nucleus for channel 1		
	P1 [µs] =	18.30	f1 channel - 90 degree high power pulse		
	PL1 [dB] =	-6.00	f1 channel - power level for pulse (default)		
	SFO1 [MHz] =	200.1012357	frequency of observe channel		

- Click on Prosol Pars. It to read the prosol (instrument dependent) parameters (Power levels, e.g. "*PL1*", and Pulse lengths, e.g. "*P1*").
- 8. Click on **Receiver Gain** and set Options to "Determine RG values automatically" [*rga*] based on the sample under study.

💐 Receiver Gain - rga 🛛 🔀
Options
○ Set RG value manually
Oetermine RG value automatically
OK Cancel Help

After *OK* is clicked, wait for message "rga finished" in the status bar of TopSpin window to occur, indicating completion of rg setting.

9. Click on Start Acquisition [zg]. (\bigwedge : If a warning message occurs, make sure to start acquisition in the right dataset). The FID display window below will appear along with some status parameters.

(If parameters are not shown, right-click in the FID window, choose "Display Properties", check "Status Parameters" and click on **OK**).



Three of the buttons near the top of the window may be used to:

- Stop the acquisition [*stop*] with the data in buffer discarded
- Halt the acquisition [*halt*] with the data in buffer saved to disk
- ↓ Close the FID window

SOP

To monitor the acquisition status, just look at the Status Parameters to the right of FID. When Res. Time = 0, acquisition is completed and it is time to process the raw data. Or look at the bottom right of the Topspin status bar.

Click 4 to close the FID window once acquisition finishes.

VI. Finishing Up

YOU ARE NOT FINISHED WITH THE SPECTROMETER UNTIL YOU DO THE FOLLOWING.

- a. Make sure the D_2O sample is in the first slot of sample changer.
- b. Press "Lift ON/OFF" button on BSMS panel to eject your sample and rotate the D_2O sample to the loading position.
- c. In ~10s, hit "Lift ON/OFF" button on BSMS panel again to load the D_2O sample.
- d. Wait for ~15s, click on LOCKD20 to lock the spectrometer on the deuterated solvent and reset shim.

To lock, a dataset has to be displayed.

- e. Quit lock window by pressing "Quit" or clicking X of the lock window.
- f. Exit TopSpin by clicking the X at the top-right corner of the software.
- g. Logoff your account: click Start (bottom-left corner) and choose logoff followed by "Yes".
- h. Important: On the logsheet, record your stop and duration times, and the spectrometer status. Report problems if any.
- i. Important: remove all your samples from the tray and the NMR lab, and clean the lab space you have used.

VII. Data Processing Workstation

Please go to NMR Processing Room (CNSI Room 1522) and use the computer denoted "Data Processing Workstation #2"

On the NMR Data Processing computers (WINDOWS XP, 128.111.243.67 or 68) (Feb. 2014)

- 1. Login
 - a. Type "nmr_user" as a username and input password "4epp967"
- 2. Connect to NMR Data
 - a. Click on "Start" at bottom left corner
 - b. Choose "RUN"
 - c. Type the desired machine name:
 - i. Choose "\\Nmr500sb-1" for solution state 500 MHz
 - ii. Choose "\\Varian-nmr" for solution state 600 MHz
 - iii. Choose "\\Nmr500wb-1" for solid state 500 MHz
 - iv. Choose "\\Ipso400wb" for solid state 400 MHz
 - v. Choose "\\Swbmri" for solid state 300 MHz
 - vi. Choose "\\Nmr800sb" for 800 MHz
- 3. Login using your own NMR account



4. A window will pop up displaying your NMR data folder (indicating a successful connection)



- 5. (OPTIONAL) Data Back-Up
 - a. Go to folder: "Data"
 - b. Find your personal directory and double click it
 - c. Choose folder "nmr"

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File Edit View Favorites Tools	Help	A.
🕒 Back 🔹 🌍 🔹 🏂 🔎 S	Search 陀 Folders 🛄 •	
Address 🛅 \\nmr500sb-1\data\swalker		💌 🋃 Go
File and Folder Tasks 🙁	20131023_KSU_Samples 👘 🏧	
Move this folder		

- d. Now you can drag and drop the raw data files onto a flash/USB drive
- 6. Data Processing using TopSpin[™]
 - a. Double click on "TopSpin 2.1" on desktop
 - b. Find your desired machine name (e.g. "\\nmr500sb-1" in the TopSpin[™] browser panel on the left, expand it and navigate to your account folder
 - c. (Optional) If you don't see your desired machine name (e.g. "\nmr500sb-1" in the TopSpin[™] browser panel on the left, add it yourself
 - 1. Right click in the browser panel area and choose "Add New Data Dir..."



- 2. Type \\nmr500sb-1 or \\<IP address>
- 3. Click "OK"
- d. Go to the dataset of interest by expanding \\nmr500sb-1 and find your account name
- e. Right click on the dataset and choose "Display"
- f. Begin processing your NMR Data please refer to the relevant NMR Procedure Manual

VIII. NMR Data Processing

*Click the TopSpin icon on the desktop to launch TopSpin

*Go to Menu Bar at the top and select: "Processing" \rightarrow Choose: "Data Processing Guide"



Please note that the first button **Open Data Set** can be skipped if you process the data just acquired and shown in the active window. Otherwise, use this button to open a different dataset for processing.

m 1) Click on Window Function and set "Line Broadening LB (Hz) =" 0.3 and "Window function type WDW =" exponential, followed by **OK**.

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Coptions	
Manual window adjustment	
Required parameters	
Window function type WDW =	exponential 🛛 🔽
Line broadening LB [Hz] =	0.3
Gaussian max. position 0 <gb<1 =<="" th=""><td>0</td></gb<1>	0
Sine bell shift SSB (0,1,2,) =	0
Left trapezoid limit 0 <tm1<1 =<="" th=""><td>0</td></tm1<1>	0
Right trapezoid limit 0 <tm2<1 =<="" th=""><td>0</td></tm2<1>	0
OK (Cancel Help

LB is a parameter to reduce noise level at the expense of resolution. The larger the LB, the better the S/N ratio but the worse the resolution. Typically "LB" = 0.3 Hz and the exponential WDW (Exp(-lb*t)) is multiplied with the raw data FID to generate a new FID with suppressed noise. [See Appendix D: LB and Window Function for details]

2) Click on **Fourier Transform**, and set "Standard Fourier Transform"

"Size of real spectrum SI = 32768"

and then click on **OK** to convert FID to spectrum (normally out of phase though).

🐳 Fourier transform - ft	
Options	
 Standard Fourier transform 	
○ Advanced Fourier transform	
Required parameters	
Size of real spectrum SI [pnts] =	32768

To see the processed spectrum, click on **Spectrum** in the toolbar of data window.



3) Click on Phase Correction A and check "Automatic Phasing" followed by OK [apk]. A phase corrected spectrum is obtained. (See <u>Appendix C. Phase 1D</u> <u>Spectrum Manually</u> for manual manipulation of phase correction)

4) (Optional) Calibration: this defines the position of 0 ppm, which is the chemical shift of TMS. Since the spectrum is referenced already to the solvent, chemical shift calibration is not necessary. However, if you do want exact calibration to

TMS, click on button **Axis Calibration** and follow the on-screen instructions.

- 5) Click on **Baseline Corr**. And check "Auto-correct Baseline using Polynomial" [*abs*] followed by *OK* to correct the curvature and DC offset in the baseline of spectrum.
- 6) (Optional) Advanced : for multi-spectra display, add/subtract, and deconvolution.
- 7) Click on **Peak Picking**, choose "Define regions/peaks manually, adjust MI, MAXI", and click on **OK**. In the data window, drag with the left mouse button a box (green) which defines MI (min. intensity), MAXI (max. intensity), by the bottom and top sides of the box, respectively, and chemical shift limits by the left and right sides. Peaks falling in this box both intensity- and shift-wise will be picked up and shown above the corresponding peaks.



To modify the box, click on $\stackrel{\text{\tiny (1)}}{\to}$ and drag sides or corners. To delete the box, click on $\stackrel{\text{\tiny (2)}}{\times}$.

To save the peak picking values, click on \square .

8) Click on **Integration** *I* and choose "Define Integral Regions Manually" followed by *OK*. An integration window appears with the corresponding toolbar displayed at the top of spectrum:



If you see integration labels and values in the window opened up, delete them first by following the procedure "How to delete integral regions" below.

How to Define Integral Regions and do Integration interactively:

- a. Click the following button (button turns green):
- b. Put the red cursor line on one side of a peak or multiplet. (See For accurate results, make sure the integration starts and ends at the baseline, and D1 is long enough).
- c. Left-click-hold and drag the cursor line to the other side of the peak or multiplet.
- d. Do step 2 and 3 for all regions to be defined and integrated.
- e. Click the \blacksquare button to save integration and leave the integration mode.

How to delete integral regions:

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- To delete all integral regions, click
 - to Select/Deselect all integral regions, and click
 - \aleph to Delete selected integral regions from the display
- ➤ To delete a single region, right-click on the region to be deleted and choose "Select/Deselect" and then click on the delete button ♀.
- 9) Click on Plot/Print and check "Print Active Window [prnt]", or check "Print with Layout – start Plot Editor [plot]", followed by OK. The former will print what you see in the TopSpin data display window while the latter uses the more sophisticated PlotEditor program for more controlled printing. (See <u>Appendix E: Plot Editor</u> for details.)

Options			
○ Print active window (prnt)			
Print with layout - start Plot Editor [plot]			
O Print with layout - plot directly [autoplot]			
Required parameters			
LAYOUT = +/1D_H.x	wp 💌		
Use plot limits	Fill data set list		
 from screen / CY from Plot Editor Reset Action 	○ from your default portfolio		
O as saved in Plot Editor	⊖ from portfolio saved in data set		
	OK Cancel Help		

To Export Data, go to *File* \rightarrow *Export* ..., specify a folder in the "Look in" box, give a filename in the "File name" box with one of the "Legal File Extensions" shown in the "Files of type" box (e.g. 1H_5pEB.png), and click on the "Export" button.

10) (Optional) Click on E-mail/Archive to send the NMR data by email or archive it for storage. Since emailing data is prone to problems, archiving data is a better choice. In the E-mail/Archive window, choose "Save"

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?	Send via e-mai	l or save?
	Send	Save

Then select one of the choices in the next window (e.g. "Copy data set to a new destination" in this example or "Save data of currently displayed region in a text file", which is a portable ASCII file) followed by OK

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Options					
 Copy data set to a new destination 					
◯ Save data set in a ZIP file					
Save data set in a JCAMP-DX file					
O Save data of currently displayed region in a text file					
O Save parameters as a new experiment					
O Save digital as analog filtered data					
○ Save other file					
Required parameters					
processed data as new PROCINO					
OK Cancel Help					

Change DIR to the destination of your choice (e.g. E:, a flash drive) and click **OK**.

11) Wrap-Up

- a. Quit TopSpin[™] software
 b. Logout of the "nmr_user" account

WARNING!! If you don't logoff, your NMR data could be at risk!

IX. Acquiring and Processing ¹³C NMR (1H decoupled)

Sometimes, an 1D ¹³C experiment may take hours or days depending on concentration (Recommended concentration is > 50 mM).

- 1. Go to Spectrometer \rightarrow Data Acquisition Guide in the menu bar of TopSpin.
- 2. Click on **New Experiment** in the Guide window (see Procedure for ¹H NMR).
- 3. In the New ... window, choose one of the standard parameter files for ¹³C experiments below:

Par file	Spectral information	
C13APT	CH+CH3 Positive, C+CH2 Negative (or	
	vice versa), Intensity not quantitative	
C ¹³ C PD	all carbons POSITIVE, for quantitative	
	analysis	
C13DEPT135	CH+CH3 Positive, CH2 Negative, C Gone,	
	Intensity not quantitative	
C13DEPT45	CH+CH2+CH3 Positive, C Gone, Intensity	
	not quantitative	
C13DEPT90	CH+CH3 Positive, C+CH2 Gone, Intensity	
	not quantitative	

The first two experiments are the most popular ones. If only the carbon types are of interest to you, use C13APT. If carbon signals are going to be quantified, choose C13CPD.

- 4. Click on **Lock** in the Guide if you have not done so (see Procedure for ¹H NMR).
- 5. Click on **Probe Match/Tune** in the Guide, select "Automatic tuning / matching of ATM probe", followed by **OK**. See <u>Appendix I. Probe Tuning</u> and <u>Matching</u> for Details.
- 6. Perform gradient shimming (see Procedure for ¹H NMR).
- Click on Acquisition Pars (see Procedure for ¹H NMR) for modification of parameters. Set TD = 16k, NS = 64, DS = 0, and TD0 = 2000 for ¹³C experiments.
- 8. Click on **Prosol Pars** (see Procedure for ¹H NMR).
- 9. Click on **Receiver Gain** (see Procedure for ¹H NMR) and set Options to "Set RG values manually". Input "16k" followed by return.

To know how long the experiment lasts beforehand, click on \square in the upper toolbar.

10. Click on **Start Acquisition** (see Procedure for ¹H NMR).

11. Process data (see Procedure for ¹H NMR).

• A few things to note:

- You don't have to wait until the experiment is done to process data. You can do processing as soon as the first NS scans are finished and saved to disk.
- A larger line broadening value is used for ${}^{13}C$ than for ${}^{1}H$. Typically lb = 1 Hz.
- 12. Type "*halt*" if spectrum is satisfactory or let it continue if not. The acquisition will stop by itself after *NS*TD0* number of scans are completed.
- 13. For data processing of a ¹³C spectrum, please refer to the procedure for ¹H NMR.
- 14. Finish up as for ¹H NMR.

X. Appendices

A. Lock troubleshooting

Problem: "Lock ON/OFF" won't stop flashing and the lock signal stays at the bottom of the lock display window.

Possible reasons:

- 1. You started with a bad shimming file
- 2. Your sample is too concentrate, i.e. viscosity too high
- 3. Too little deuterons in your solvent

Solutions:

for 1. Type [*rsh*] in the command line to read in a good shimming file and lock again

for 2 & 3. Do manual locking as below:

- Press "Lock ON/OFF" to turn off lock (LED off). At this point, you may see a noisy and weak oscillatory lock signal.
- Hit "Lock Gain" and rotate the wheel on BSMS panel to increase lock signal amplitude until the signal fits the whole lock window.
- Then press "Lock ON/OFF" to try to lock spectrometer. The LED should stay solid after brief flashing if spectrometer locks (the oscillatory signal becomes a flat sweeping line). If not,
- Hit "Lock Power" and rotate the BSMS wheel to increase lock power. The lock signal will increase accordingly and may be saturated, i.e. the signal will not increase anymore with power. Remember: if the saturation happens, bring back the power by 2~3 units in reading.
- Then press "Lock ON/OFF" and immediately increase "Lock Power" until the spectrometer is locked, where the "Lock ON/OFF" LED should stay solid and the oscillatory signal becomes a flat sweeping line. Avoid saturation stated above.
- If you still have trouble, please ask Jerry/Jaya for help/debugging.

B. Manual Shimming (Don't click on Shim , just consider it a checklist item).

- Make sure the lock display is visible. If not, bring it up by clicking on
 Lock Display at the bottom of screen or on the orange square at the right hand side of the upper toolbar.
- Press "Z" button and turn the wheel on the BSMS panel to shim Z. The higher the lock signal, the better the shim. When the lock signal is at its highest, switch to Z2.

If lock signal is out of window, on the panel press the "Lock Gain" button and reduce the value by turning the wheel to bring lock signal down to the visible region of lock display.

- Press "Z2" button and turn the wheel on the BSMS panel to shim Z2. The higher the lock signal, the better the shim. When the lock signal is at its highest, switch to Z.
- Repeat Z and Z2 shimming above for 3 to 5 rounds until the lock level is optimized.
- Press "Standby" button on the BSMS panel to deactivate the wheel, so as to prevent accidental change of shims.

C. Phase 1D Spectrum Manually

Phase the spectrum (make all peaks absorptive)

i. Click on $\frac{1}{2}$ button (in the upper toolbar) and the toolbar above your spectrum should look like this:



- ii. Move the red cursor line to the tallest peak, right-click there, and select Set Pivot Point to mark the peak with a vertical red line, indicating a pivot point to be used by Ph1. Right-click again and choose "Calculate Ph0". The tallest peak will now be phased roughly right.
- iii. Click and hold on (zero order phase, used when the phase of peaks is frequency-independent). Dragging the mouse will change the zero order phase. Make the tallest peak exactly absorptive.
- iv. If other peaks are still not leveled on both sides, click and hold on

1 (first order phase, the phase of peaks is directly proportional to their frequency positions relative to the pivot point set above). Dragging the mouse to fix their phase. Many times this will also straighten out the baseline.

- v. Click on 🖳 to save the phase values and leave the phase mode.
- vi. If you want to process the same data again after you have done phasing, use "*efp*" (efp = em + ft + phase) instead of "*ef*", so you don't have to do "*phase*" again.

D. LB and Window Function



E. Plot Editor

This is a very nice and user-friendly program. You are referred to the Plot Editor manual of TopSpin for more details and encouraged to use it often for more controlled printouts.



F. Spin Dynamics and Relaxation

Alignment of nuclei in magnetic field



G. Probe Tuning and Matching

When you do NMR on a nucleus X other than ¹H and ¹³C (e.g. $X = {}^{2}H$, ¹⁹F, ²⁹Si, ³¹P, or ...), you will need to tune the probe. You do not normally need to do this when performing ¹H or ¹³C NMR.

Steps

Click on **Probe Tune/Match** in the **Data Acquisition Guide** and select "Automatic tuning / matching of ATM probe", followed by *OK*.

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	Options				
	○ Manual tuning / matching of non-ATM probe				
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	Automatic tuning / matching of ATM probe				
	OK Cancel Help				

After ~45s, you will see a WOBB window showing the tuning/matching curve, the horizontal position of which corresponds to tuning and the depth to matching.



The tuning curve should be aligned on the screen with the central redline and should reach all the way to the zero line of Y axis. If it doesn't look this way, then the probe isn't tuned.

The computer will tune and match the probe for you automatically. All you need to do at this point is to wait until you see the message "atma: finished" at the bottom left corner of Topspin.

H. Online NMR Book and Bruker NMR Encyclopedia

- 1) NMR Book: <u>http://www.cis.rit.edu/htbooks/nmr/</u> Introduction to NMR concepts and practical issues.
- 2) NMR Guide & Encyclopedia: <u>http://www.bruker.de/guide/</u> All you want to know about NMR.

I.Requirements for Access to the MRL NMR at CNSI

You have to pass the mini quiz within one month after training in order to be qualified for access to the NMR facility of MRL, which includes:

- Key Card for Lab & Building:
 - 1. Pass the MRL safety training;
 - 2. Fill out the CNSI access form: <u>http://www.cnsi.ucsb.edu/facilities/building_services/access/access_applic</u> <u>ation.pdf</u>
 - 3. Take the form to Sylvia in 2066G, MRL
- Web Scheduling Account (email Jerry for a setup appointment)
- NMR Account (email Jerry for a setup appointment)

These requirements apply to both on- and off-campus users.

XI. NMR Basic Principles 1. Spin



*Spin is a quantum mechanical phenomena that has no physical analog in classical physics. However, it will be helpful to visualize it as a small bar magnet that precesses about an axis.

*The existence of spin angular momentum is inferred by experiments, such as the Stern-Gerlach experiment, in which particles are observed to have angular momentum that cannot be solely accounted for by orbital angular momentum alone.

*Electrons, protons, and neutrons all have a value of spin $+/- \frac{1}{2}$.

2. Common NMR Nuclei

Nuclei	Unpaired Protons	Unpaired Neutrons	Net Spin	γ (MHz/T)
¹ H	1	0	1/2	42.58
² H	1	1	1	6.54
³¹ P	1	0	1/2	17.25
²³ Na	1	2	3/2	11.27
¹⁴ N	1	1	1	3.08
¹³ C	0	1	1/2	10.71
¹⁹ F	1	0	1/2	40.08

Larmor Frequency Equation:

$$v = \gamma B_o$$

where γ is the gyromagnetic ratio (specific to each nuclei) and B_o is the magnetic field strength





5. Magnetization

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6. Pulsed NMR, Relaxation, and Detection

