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**A PRODUCT OPERATOR THEORY OF 2D DEPT J-RESOLVED
NMR SPECTROSCOPY FOR IS_n SPIN SYSTEM ($I=1/2, S=1$)**

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ABSTRACT

By using the product operator technique, analytical description of multipulse NMR experiments can be made. 2D DEPT J-resolved NMR spectroscopy is obtained by combining DEPT and 2D J-resolved NMR spectroscopy. In this study, the analytical description of heteronuclear 2D DEPT J-resolved NMR spectroscopy for a weakly coupled IS_n ($I=1/2, S=1, n=1,2,3$) spin system is presented and experimental suggestions for ^{13}C 2D DEPT J-resolved NMR spectroscopy of deuterated molecules have been made.

INTRODUCTION

There exists a variety of multipulse NMR experiments for spectral assignments of complex molecules. In order to analyze these pulse experiments applied to large spin systems, a quantum mechanical approach has to be used. In analytical description of multipulse 1D and 2D NMR experiments for a weakly

coupled spin systems, product operator formalism can be used [1-10]. Distortionless Enhancement by Polarization Transfer (DEPT) and 2D J-resolved NMR techniques are widely used for spectral assignments of complex molecules. By using DEPT NMR experiment, ^{13}C signals of C, CD, CD_2 and CD_3 groups can be identified. In order to resolve the chemical shift and spin-spin coupling parameters along the two different axes heteronuclear 2D J-resolved NMR spectroscopy is used. Sometimes, spectral assignments of 2D J-resolved NMR spectra become too difficult, due to the complex overlapping spectra. In order to solve this problem, 2D DEPT J-resolved NMR spectroscopy, which is the combination of DEPT and 2D J-resolved NMR spectroscopy techniques, is used [11]. The product operator description of 2D J-resolved NMR spectroscopy for a weakly coupled IS_n spin system ($I=1/2$, $S=1$) has been reported elsewhere [12]. In this study, the product operator technique is used for analytical description of heteronuclear 2D DEPT J-resolved NMR spectroscopy for a weakly coupled IS_n spin system ($I=1/2$, $S=1$) and experimental suggestions for ^{13}C 2D DEPT J-resolved NMR spectroscopy of deuterated molecules were made. This will probably be the first application of product operator theory to 2D DEPT J-resolved NMR spectroscopy for this system.

THEORY

Time dependency of the density matrix is given as [6]

$$\sigma(t) = \exp(-iHt)\sigma(0)\exp(iHt). \quad (1)$$

Where H is time independent total Hamiltonian consists of r.f. pulse, chemical shift and spin-spin coupling Hamiltonians, and $\sigma(0)$ is the density matrix at $t=0$. After employing the Hausdorff formula [6]

$$\begin{aligned} \exp(-iHt)A\exp(iHt) &= A - (it)[H, A] + \frac{(it)^2}{2!}[H, [H, A]] \\ &\quad - \frac{(it)^3}{3!}[H, [H, [H, A]]] + \dots \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

r.f pulse, chemical shift and spin-spin coupling evolution of product operators can easily be obtained [4,6]. The details on the evolution of product operators under the r.f. pulse, chemical shift and spin-spin coupling Hamiltonians can be found elsewhere [4,6,12]. At any time during the experiment, the ensemble averaged expectation value of the spin angular momentum, e.g. for I_y , is given as

$$\langle I_y \rangle = \text{Tr}(I_y \sigma(t)). \quad (3)$$

Where $\sigma(t)$ is the density matrix operator calculated from Eq.(1) at any time. As $\langle I_y \rangle$ is proportional to the magnitude of the y magnetization, it represents the signal detected on y axis.

ANALYTICAL DESCRIPTION OF 2D DEPT J-RESOLVED NMR

In order to describe the multi-pulse NMR experiment in product operator technique, it is necessary to obtain the $\text{Tr}(I_y O)$ values of observable product operators indicated by O . For IS_n spin system ($I=1/2$, $S=1$, $n=1,2,3$), $\text{Tr}(I_y O)$ values for some of the observable product operators were calculated by using a computer program and they are given in Table 1.

In the following, the pulse sequence, illustrated in Fig.1, is used for an analytical description of 2D DEPT J-resolved NMR spectroscopy for IS_n spin system ($I=1/2$, $S=1$). As seen in Fig.1, the density matrix operator at each stage of the experiment is labeled with numbers.

σ_0 is the density matrix operator at thermal equilibrium and for IS spin system $\sigma_0=S_z$. The pulse sequence in Fig.1 obviously leads to the following density matrices for each labeled point:

$$\sigma_1 = -S_y, \quad \sigma_2 = 2S_x I_z. \quad (4)$$

Here it is assumed that during τ and t_1 between pulses, relaxation and evolution under chemical shift do not exists. Therefore,

$$\sigma_3 = 2S_2 \sigma(I_x S_z^2 - I_x S_x^2). \quad (5)$$

TABLE 1

The results of the $Tr(I_y O)$ calculations for some of the observable product operators ($i=x, z$; $j=x, z$ and $k=x, z$) in IS_n spin system ($J=1/2$, $S=1$, $n=1, 2, 3$).

Spin System	Product Operator (O)	$Tr(I_y O)$
IS	I_y	3/2
	$I_y S_i^2$	1
IS_2	I_y	9/2
	$I_y(S_{1i}^2 + S_{2j}^2)$	6
IS_3	$I_y S_{1i}^2 S_{2j}^2$	2
	I_y	27/2
IS_3	$I_y(S_{1i}^2 + S_{2j}^2 + S_{3k}^2)$	27
	$I_y(S_{1i}^2 S_{2j}^2 + S_{1i}^2 S_{3k}^2 + S_{2j}^2 S_{3k}^2)$	18
	$I_y S_{1i}^2 S_{2j}^2 S_{3k}^2$	4

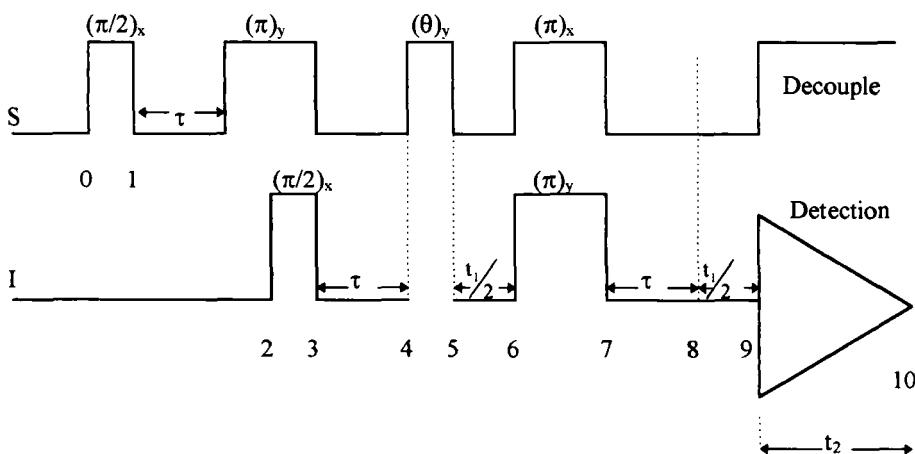


Figure 1. The pulse sequence for 2D DEPT J-resolved NMR spectroscopy.

Furthermore, under the chemical shift evolution during t_2 , the density matrix becomes

$$\sigma_{10} = 2S_{2\theta}(I_xC_J + I_yS_J)[1/2(C_J - I)S_z^2 + S_x^2]. \quad (6)$$

In this and in the following equations, $C_J = \cos\Omega_2 t_2$, $S_J = \sin\Omega_2 t_2$, $S_{nJ} = \sin(n2\pi J t_J)$, $C_{nJ} = \cos(n2\pi J t_J)$ and $S_{n\theta} = \sin\theta$. In the case of on y axis detection, magnetization along y axis is proportional to $\langle J_y \rangle$ and

$$M_y(t_1, t_2) \propto \langle J_y \rangle = \text{Tr}(I_y \sigma_{10}). \quad (7)$$

Then, we obtained

$$\langle J_y \rangle = S_{2\theta}(I + C_J)S_J. \quad (8)$$

This equation shows that 2D DEPT J-resolved NMR signal for IS spin system depends on $\sin 2\theta$ and for $\theta = 45^\circ$ it gives signals at (J, Ω_J) , (Ω_J) , $(-J, \Omega_J)$ with an intensity distribution of (1,2,1) which is consistent with the study reported elsewhere [13].

For IS_2 spin system,

$$\sigma_0 = S_{1z} + S_{2z}, \quad (9)$$

By using the same pulse sequence, we obtain

$$\langle J_y \rangle = 4(S_{2\theta} + S_{4\theta})(\frac{3}{2} + 2C_J + C_{2J})S_J. \quad (10)$$

Where $C_{2J} = \cos(4\pi J t_J)$. As seen from this equation 2D DEPT J-resolved NMR signal for IS_2 spin system depends on $(\sin 2\theta + \sin 4\theta)$.

By using the same procedure for IS_3 spin system, we obtain

$$\langle J_y \rangle = 2(2S_{2\theta} + 2S_{4\theta} + S_{6\theta})(\frac{7}{2} + 6C_J + 3C_{2J} + C_{3J})S_J. \quad (11)$$

This equation represents the FID signal of IS_3 spin system at any angle.

EXPERIMENTAL SUGGESTIONS

$\text{Tr}(I_y \sigma_{10})$ values for IS , IS_2 and IS_3 spin systems represent the FID signals of ^{13}C 2D DEPT J-resolved NMR spectroscopy for CD , CD_2 and CD_3 groups,

respectively. By adding the $Tr(I_y\sigma_{I\theta})$ values of all these three groups, total $Tr(I_y\sigma_{I\theta})$ value can be found as:

$$\begin{aligned} [Tr(I_y\sigma_{I\theta})]_{tot} = & S_{2\theta} (I + C_J) S_I + 4(S_{2\theta} + S_{4\theta}) \left(\frac{3}{2} + 2C_J + C_{2J} \right) S_I \\ & + 2(2S_{2\theta} + 2S_{4\theta} + S_{6\theta}) \left(\frac{7}{2} + 6C_J + 3C_{2J} + C_{3J} \right) S_I. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

This corresponds to total FID signal for all three groups. At $\theta=60^\circ$ the relative intensity for CD is nonzero, but for both CD_2 and CD_3 it is zero. Therefore, FID taken at $\theta=60^\circ$ will give the spectrum for only CD groups. In order to have complete separation of ^{13}C 2D DEPT J-resolved NMR spectrum into CD, CD_2 and CD_3 subspectra FID signals should be taken at $\theta=27^\circ$, $\theta=60^\circ$ and $\theta=74^\circ$ and their combinations should be made as following:

$$I_{CD} = [Tr(I_y\sigma_{I\theta})]_{tot}(60^\circ) \quad (13)$$

$$I_{CD_2} = [Tr(I_y\sigma_{I\theta})]_{tot}(27^\circ) + a[Tr(I_y\sigma_{I\theta})]_{tot}(60^\circ) - b[Tr(I_y\sigma_{I\theta})]_{tot}(74^\circ) \quad (14)$$

$$I_{CD_3} = [Tr(I_y\sigma_{I\theta})]_{tot}(27^\circ) - c[Tr(I_y\sigma_{I\theta})]_{tot}(60^\circ) + d[Tr(I_y\sigma_{I\theta})]_{tot}(74^\circ). \quad (15)$$

Where $a=8.19$, $b=14.91$, $c=3.85$ and $d=4.77$. These values were found here and some of them are different from those reported for DEPT NMR elsewhere [13]. After these combinations, the theoretical representations of FID signals for CD, CD_2 and CD_3 groups are obtained as:

$$I_{CD} \propto (I + C_J) S_I \quad (16)$$

$$I_{CD_2} \propto \left(\frac{3}{2} + 2C_J + C_{2J} \right) S_I \quad (17)$$

$$I_{CD_3} \propto \left(\frac{7}{2} + 6C_J + 3C_{2J} + C_{3J} \right) S_I. \quad (18)$$

These theoretical combinations can be applied to ^{13}C 2D DEPT J-resolved NMR experiments of deuterated molecules. And therefore CD, CD_2 and CD_3 groups can be easily identified.

In conclusion, product operator description of 2D DEPT J-resolved NMR spectroscopy for IS_n ($I=1/2$, $S=1$, $n=1,2,3$) spin system is presented. Theoretical representations of ^{13}C 2D DEPT J-resolved NMR spectra of CD, CD_2 and CD_3

groups were separately obtained and experimental suggestions for ^{13}C 2D DEPT J-resolved NMR spectroscopy of deuterated molecules were made.

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