## 1D- and 2D-building blocks

The coherence transfer pathway of a typical NMR building block.

| exp. | coherence transfer | comment |
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| spin-echo | $-\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{y}}=>2 \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{x}} \mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{z}}$ | $\mathrm{J}_{\text {IS }}>0$ and $\tau=1 /\left(4 \mathrm{~J}_{\mathrm{IS}}\right)$ |
|  | $2 \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{x}} \mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{z}}=>\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{y}}$ |  |
|  | $-\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{y}}=>-\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{y}}$ | $\mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}}=0$ |
| INEPT | $-\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{y}}=>2 \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{z}} \mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{y}}$ | $\mathrm{J}_{\text {IS }}>0$ |
| ref. INEPT | $-\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{y}}=>-\mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{y}}$ | $\mathrm{J}_{\text {IS }}>0$ |
| rev. INEPT | $2 \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{z}} \mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{y}}=>-\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{y}}$ | $\mathrm{J}_{\text {IS }}>0$ |
| ref. rev. INEPT | $-\mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{y}}=>-\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{y}}$ | $\mathrm{J}_{\text {IS }}>0$ |
| COSY | $-\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{y}}=>-2 \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{z}} \mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{y}} \sin \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}\right) \sin \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}} \mathrm{t}\right)$ | $\mathrm{J}_{\text {IS }}>0$ (off diagonal) |
| TOCSY | $-\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{y}}=>\mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{x}}$ | $\mathrm{J}_{\text {IS }}=0$ (off diagonal) |
| HMQC | $-\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{y}}=>-\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{y}} \cos \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{s}} \mathrm{t}\right)$ | $\mathrm{J}_{\text {IS }}>0$ |
| HSQC | $-\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{y}}=>\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{x}} \cos \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{s}} \mathrm{t}\right)$ | $\mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}}>0$ |

As homonuclear coupling const. $\left(\mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}}\right)$ is small $\approx 10 \mathrm{~Hz}$, the associated $\Delta$ and/or $\tau \approx 1 / 10$ $\mathrm{Hz} \approx 100 \mathrm{~ms}$, a longer delay time
As heteronuclear coupling const. $\left(\mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}}\right)$ is large $\approx 100 \mathrm{~Hz}$, the relevant $\Delta$ and/or $\tau \approx 1 / 100$ $\mathrm{Hz} \approx 10 \mathrm{~ms}$, a rather short time.

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\text { e.g. } \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{NH}} \approx 90 \mathrm{~Hz} \text { or } \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{CH}} \approx 140 \mathrm{~Hz}
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The simplest but „not too useful" 3D NMR experiment: the COSY-COSY

## Homonuclear 3D NMR

Combining two convenient 2D experiments (e.g. 2D-COSY)
2D-COSY


2D-COSY


3D-COSY

$\sigma$ [eq.]
$\hat{H}=\pi / 2\left(\hat{\mathrm{I}}_{\mathrm{x}}\right)$
$\hat{\mathrm{H}}=\hat{\mathrm{I}}_{\mathrm{Z}}\left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right)$
$\hat{H}=2 \hat{I_{z}} \check{S}_{z}\left(\mathrm{~J}_{I S} \pi \mathrm{t}_{1}\right)$
$\hat{\mathrm{H}}=\pi / 2\left(\hat{\mathrm{I}}_{\mathrm{x}}+\hat{\mathrm{S}}_{z}\right)$

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\begin{gathered}
\mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{z}} \\
\downarrow 90^{\circ}{ }_{\mathrm{x}} \\
-\mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{y}} \\
\downarrow \mathrm{t}_{1} \\
-\mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{y}} \cos \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right)+\mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{x}} \sin \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \\
\downarrow \\
-\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{y}} \cos \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \cos \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \\
+2 \mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{x}} \mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{z}} \cos \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \sin \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \\
+\mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{x}} \sin \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \cos \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right)+2 \mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{y}} \mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{z}} \sin \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \sin \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \\
\downarrow 90^{\circ} \\
-\mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{x}} \cos \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \cos \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right)-2 \mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{x}} \mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{y}} \cos \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \sin \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \\
+\mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{x}} \sin \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \cos \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right)-2 \mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{z}} \mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{y}} \sin \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \sin \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right)
\end{gathered}
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The $-2 I_{z} \mathbf{S}_{y}$ term is a single quan. S coher. originating from spin I. Thus the evolution of this term is followed:

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\begin{aligned}
& \hat{H}=\hat{\mathrm{S}}_{\mathrm{z}}\left(\Omega_{\mathrm{S}} \mathrm{t}_{2}\right) \quad \downarrow \mathrm{t}_{2} \\
& -2 \mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{z}} \mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{y}} \sin \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \sin \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \cos \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{S}} \mathrm{t}_{2}\right)+2 \mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{Z}} \mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{x}} \sin \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \sin \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \sin \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{S}} \mathrm{t}_{2}\right) \\
& \hat{H}=2 \hat{S}_{z} M_{z}\left(\mathrm{~J}_{\text {IS }} \pi \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \\
& \downarrow \\
& -2 \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{z}} \mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{y}} \sin \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \sin \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \cos \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{S}} \mathrm{t}_{2}\right) \cos \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{SM}} \mathrm{t}_{2}\right) \\
& +4 \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{z}} \mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{x}} \mathrm{M}_{\mathrm{z}} \sin \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \sin \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \sin \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{S}} \mathrm{t}_{2}\right) \sin \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{SM}} \mathrm{t}_{2}\right) \\
& +2 \mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{Z}} \mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{x}} \sin \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \sin \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \cos \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{S}} \mathrm{t}_{2}\right) \cos \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{SM}} \mathrm{t}_{2}\right) \\
& +4 \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{Z}} \mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{y}} \mathrm{M}_{\mathrm{Z}} \sin \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \sin \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \sin \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{S}} \mathrm{t}_{2}\right) \sin \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{SM}} \mathrm{t}_{2}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

The $-4 \mathrm{I}_{z} \mathrm{~S}_{\mathrm{z}} \mathrm{M}_{\mathrm{y}}$ term is a single quan. M coher. originating from spin I passed trough S . Thus the evolution of this term is followed:

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-4 \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{Z}} \mathrm{~S}_{\mathrm{Z}} \mathrm{M}_{\mathrm{y}} \sin \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \sin \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{IS}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right) \sin \left(\Omega_{\mathrm{S}} \mathrm{t}_{2}\right) \sin \left(\pi \mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{SM}} \mathrm{t}_{2}\right)
$$

During ACQ:
$\hat{H}=M_{z}\left(\Omega_{M} t_{3}\right)$
$\hat{\mathrm{H}}=2 \hat{\mathrm{~S}}_{\mathrm{z}} \mathrm{M}_{\mathrm{z}}\left(\mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{SM}} \pi \mathrm{t}_{3}\right)$

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\downarrow \mathrm{t}_{3}
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\downarrow
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explanation: record at a fix $\mathrm{t}_{1}$ a "normal" 2D-COSY where -the acquisition dim is $\mathrm{t}_{3}$ -the freq. lab. period is $\mathrm{t}_{2}$
increase $\mathrm{t}_{1}$

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\downarrow \mathrm{t}_{1}+\mathrm{n}(\mathrm{dw})
$$

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\mathrm{n}=1,2, \ldots \mathrm{k}(\mathrm{e} . \mathrm{g} . \mathrm{k}=32)
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record at this $\mathrm{t}_{1}$ a "normal" 2D-COSY


FT in $\mathrm{t}_{2}$ and $\mathrm{t}_{3}$


The $f\left(v_{1}, v_{2}, v_{3}\right)$ spectrum (e.g. AMX spin system)

1. Diagonal peaks [e.g. $\Omega_{\mathrm{A}}\left(v_{1}\right), \Omega_{\mathrm{A}}\left(v_{2}\right), \Omega_{\mathrm{A}}\left(v_{3}\right)$ ] along the body diagonal:
from lower left-hand to upper right-hand

Comment: unmigrated magnetisation during $\mathrm{t}_{1}, \mathrm{t}_{2}$ as well as $\mathrm{t}_{3}$
Analogue: normal 2D-COSY diagonal

2. Cross-diagonal peaks along the cross-diagonal planes:

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\text { e.g. } \Omega_{\mathrm{A}}\left(v_{1}\right), \Omega_{\mathrm{A}}\left(v_{2}\right), \Omega_{\mathrm{M}}\left(v_{3}\right) \quad v_{1}=v_{2}
$$

Comment: unmigrated magnetisation during the pulse separating $\mathrm{t}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{t}_{2}$ than coherence is transferred during the pulse separating $t_{\text {, }}$ and $t_{3}$ Analogue: normal 2D-COSY

e.g. $\Omega_{\mathrm{A}}\left(v_{1}\right), \Omega_{\mathrm{M}}\left(v_{2}\right), \Omega_{\mathrm{M}}\left(v_{3}\right)$

$$
v_{2}=v_{3}
$$

Comment: coherence is transferred during the pulse separating $t_{1}$ and $t_{2}$ than coherence is untransferred during the pulse separating $\mathrm{t}_{2}$ and $\mathrm{t}_{3}$ Analogue: normal 2D-COSY

3. Back transfer peaks along the back transfer plane:

$$
\text { e.g. } \Omega_{\mathrm{A}}\left(v_{1}\right), \Omega_{\mathrm{M}}\left(v_{2}\right), \Omega_{\mathrm{A}}\left(v_{3}\right) \quad v_{1}=v_{3}
$$

Comment: coherence is transferred during the pulse separating $t_{1}$ and $t_{2}$ than coherence is back transferred during the pulse separating $t_{2}$ and $t_{3}$
Analogue: none


## 3D NOESY-TOCSY

Combining two convenient 2D experiments (e.g. 2D-NOESY and a 2D-TOCSY)

## 2D-NOESY

2D-TOCSY


3D-NOESY-TOCSY

explanation: record at a fix $t_{1}$ a "normal" 2D-TOCSY where -the acquisition dim is $t_{3}$


| $\mathrm{t}_{1}$ | $\tau_{\text {mix }}$ | $\mathrm{t}_{2}$ | $\mathbf{S p} \mathbf{p}^{\text {r }}$ | $\mathrm{t}_{3}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{F}_{1}$ | OE -- |  | OCSY | $\rightarrow$ |

The $f\left(v_{1}, v_{2}, v_{3}\right)$ spectrum (e.g. AMX spin system)

1. Diagonal peaks [e.g. $\Omega_{\mathrm{A}}\left(\mathrm{v}_{1}\right), \Omega_{\mathrm{A}}\left(\mathrm{v}_{2}\right), \Omega_{\mathrm{A}}\left(\mathrm{v}_{3}\right)$ ] along the body diagonal:
from lower left-hand to upper right-hand
Comment: unmigrated magnetisation during $\mathrm{t}_{1}, \mathrm{t}_{2}$ as well as $\mathrm{t}_{3}$
Analogue: normal 2D diagonal

2. Cross-diagonal peaks along the cross-diagonal planes:

$$
\text { e.g. } \Omega_{\mathrm{A}}\left(\mathrm{v}_{1}\right), \Omega_{\mathrm{A}}\left(\mathrm{v}_{2}\right), \Omega_{\mathrm{M}}\left(\mathrm{v}_{3}\right)
$$

$$
v_{1}=v_{2}
$$



Comment: unmigrated magnetisation during the pulse separating $\mathrm{t}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{t}_{2}$ than coherence is transferred during the pulse separating $\mathrm{t}_{2}$ and $\mathrm{t}_{3}$ Analogue: normal 2D-TOCSY
e.g. $\Omega_{\mathrm{A}}\left(v_{1}\right), \Omega_{\mathrm{M}}\left(v_{2}\right), \Omega_{\mathrm{M}}\left(v_{3}\right)$

$$
v_{2}=v_{3}
$$

Comment: coherence is transferred during the pulse separating $t_{1}$ and $t_{2}$ than coherence is untransferred during the pulse separating $\mathrm{t}_{2}$ and $\mathrm{t}_{3}$ Analogue: normal 2D-TOCSY

3. Back transfer peaks along the back transfer plane:

$$
\text { e.g. } \Omega_{\mathrm{A}}\left(v_{1}\right), \Omega_{\mathrm{M}}\left(v_{2}\right), \Omega_{\mathrm{A}}\left(v_{3}\right) \quad v_{1}=v_{3}
$$

Comment: coherence is transferred during the pulse separating $t_{1}$ and $t_{2}$ than coherence is back transferred during the pulse separating $t_{2}$ and $t_{3}$
Analogue: none


Heteronuclear 3D NMR


1. The first $90^{\circ}=>$ transverse magnetisation
2. This is frequency labelled during $\mathrm{t}_{1}$
3. The second $90^{\circ}=>$ longitudinal magnetisation
4. During the mixing time $=>$ longitudinal magnetisation is transferred via cross-relaxation
5. The third $90^{\circ}=>$ transverse magnetisation (end of NOESY part)
$H_{z}^{A}--90^{\circ H_{-->}} H_{y}^{A}{ }^{A}-t_{1}-->H_{y}^{A}\left(\Omega_{A} t_{1}\right)--90^{\circ H_{-->}} H_{z}{ }^{A}\left(\Omega_{A} t_{1}\right)--N O E-->H_{z}{ }^{B}\left(\Omega_{A} t_{1}\right)--90^{\circ H_{-->}} H_{y}{ }^{B}\left(\Omega_{A} t_{1}\right)$
6. During the $\Delta$ time $=>$ anti phase coherence is created $\left(\Delta_{\text {ideal }}=1 /(2 * 91 \mathrm{~Hz}) \approx 5 \mathrm{~ms}\right)$
7. The fourth $90^{\circ}$ (first $90^{\circ}$ on N ) => generates multiple quantum coherence
8. This is frequency labelled during $\mathrm{t}_{2}$
9. The fifth $90^{\circ}\left(\right.$ second $90^{\circ}$ on N$)=>$ generates from multiple quantum coherence anti phase coherence
10. During the second $\Delta=>$ anti phase coherence is refocused to in-phase ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ magnetisation
11. Detected during $\mathrm{t}_{3}$
(end of HMQC part)
$H_{y}{ }^{B}\left(\Omega_{A} t_{1}\right)--\Delta-->H_{x}{ }^{B} N_{z}\left(\Omega_{A} t_{1}\right)--90^{o N_{--}} H_{x}{ }^{B} N_{y}\left(\Omega_{A} t_{1}\right)--t_{2}-->H_{x}{ }^{B} N_{y}\left(\Omega_{A} t_{1}\right)\left(\Omega_{N} t_{2}\right)--90^{o N_{--}} H^{B}{ }^{B}$ $\mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{z}}\left(\Omega_{\mathrm{A}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right)\left(\Omega_{\mathrm{N}} \mathrm{t}_{2}\right)--\Delta-->\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{y}}^{\mathrm{B}}\left(\Omega_{\mathrm{A}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right)\left(\Omega_{\mathrm{N}} \mathrm{t}_{2}\right)--\mathrm{t}_{3}-->\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{y}}{ }^{\mathrm{B}}\left(\Omega_{\mathrm{A}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right)\left(\Omega_{\mathrm{N}} \mathrm{t}_{2}\right)\left(\Omega_{\mathrm{B}} \mathrm{t}_{3}\right)$

Summary:

$$
\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{z}}^{\mathrm{A}}--3 \mathrm{D} \text { NOESY-HMQC --> } \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{y}}^{\mathrm{B}}\left(\Omega_{\mathrm{A}} \mathrm{t}_{1}\right)\left(\Omega_{\mathrm{N}} \mathrm{t}_{2}\right)\left(\Omega_{\mathrm{B}} \mathrm{t}_{3}\right)
$$

