

# Nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy

## I. $^1\text{H}$ NMR

Reading:

Pavia

Chapter 5.8-5.19

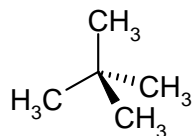
Chapter 7.1-7.3, 7.5, 7.6, 7.7 A-C and F, 7.8-7.10

Chapter 8.1, 8.2 A and C

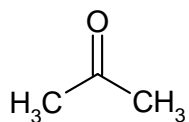
# 1. Chemical equivalence

- protons in chemically identical environments - are chemically equivalent
- exhibit the same  $\delta$

- equivalence through symmetry considerations

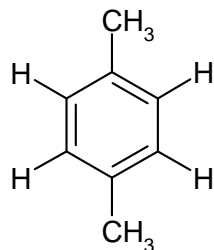


1 signal for 12 <sup>1</sup>H



1 signal for 6 <sup>1</sup>H

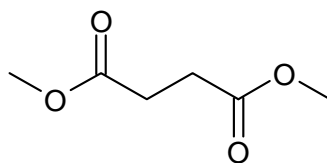
- obvious non-equivalence



2 sets:

1 signal for 6 <sup>1</sup>H in CH<sub>3</sub>

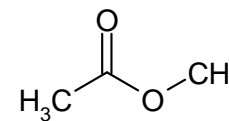
1 signal for 4 <sup>1</sup>H in CH



2 sets:

1 signal for 6 <sup>1</sup>H in OCH<sub>3</sub>

1 signal for 4 <sup>1</sup>H in CH<sub>2</sub>



2 sets:

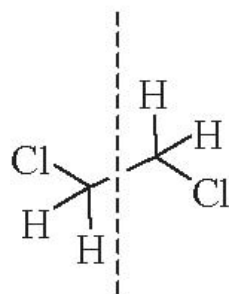
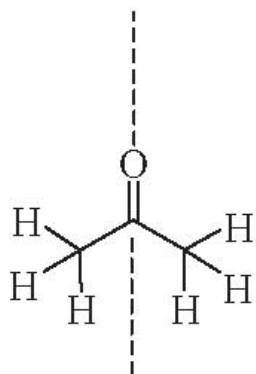
1 signal for 3 <sup>1</sup>H in CH<sub>3</sub>

1 signal for 3 <sup>1</sup>H in OCH<sub>3</sub>

# Example

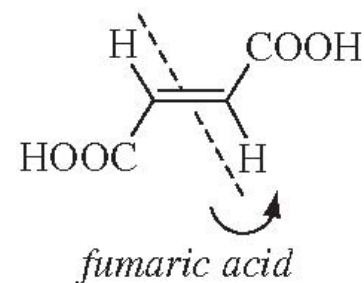
Chemical and magnetic equivalence: Proton signal is a singlet

*plane of symmetry*

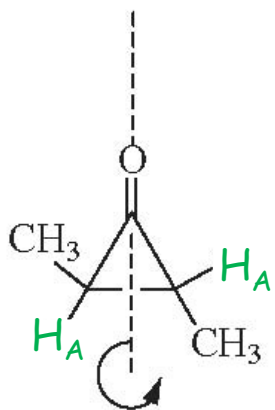


*plane of symmetry*

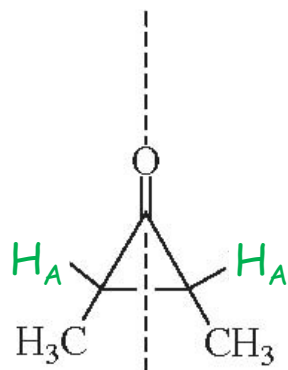
*axis of symmetry*



*fumaric acid*

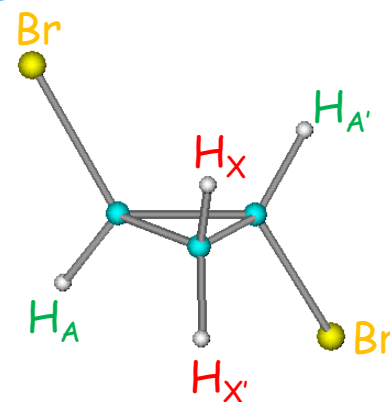


*axis of symmetry*



*plane of symmetry*

magnetic inequivalence:

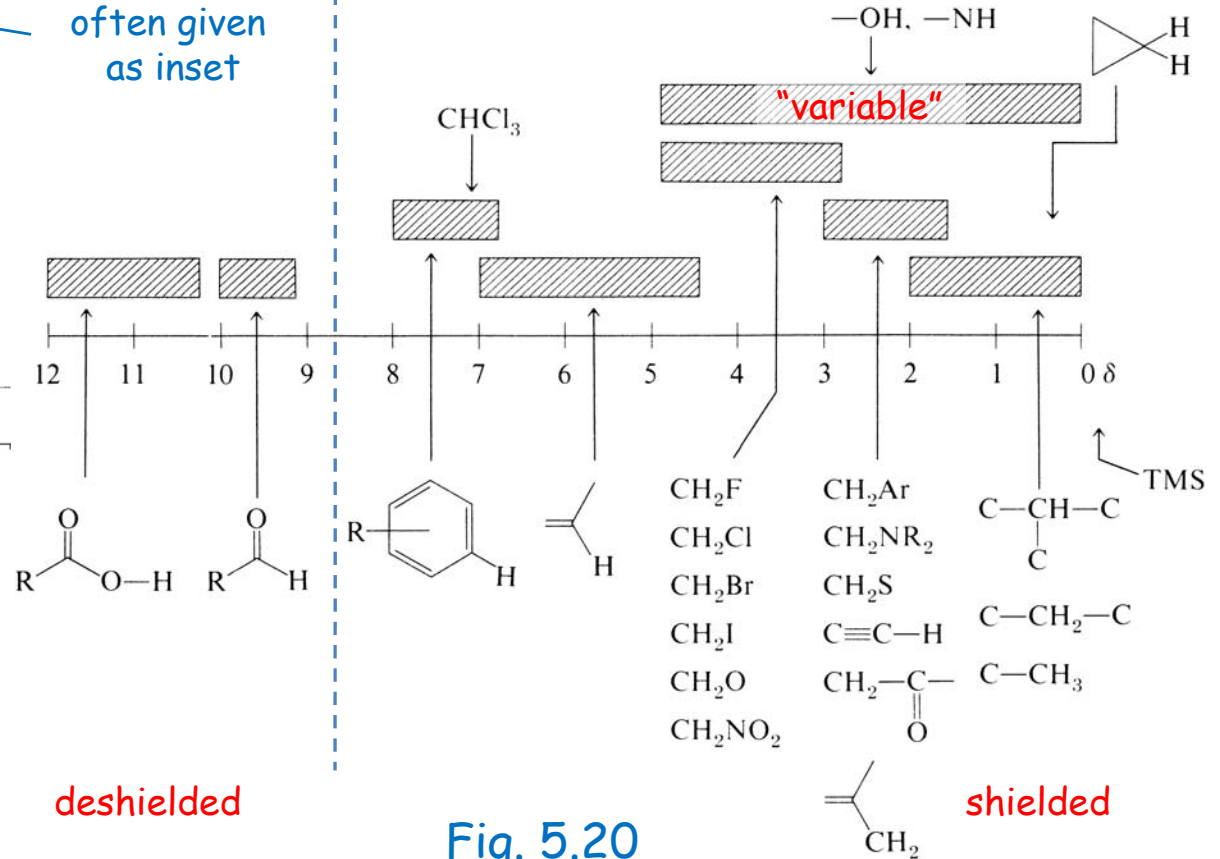
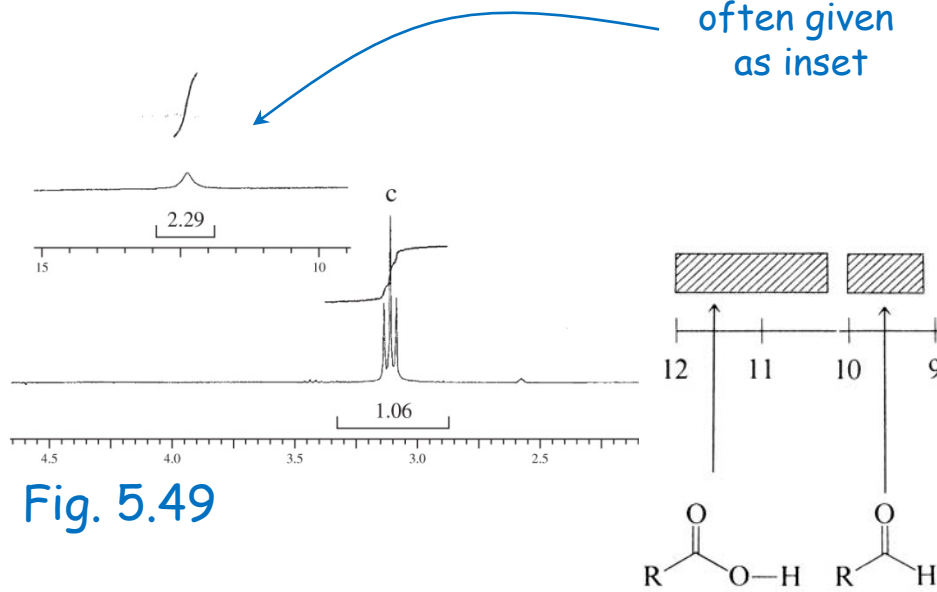


complicated spectrum:  
will not discuss!

# 1. Chemical equivalence continued

- spectral regions

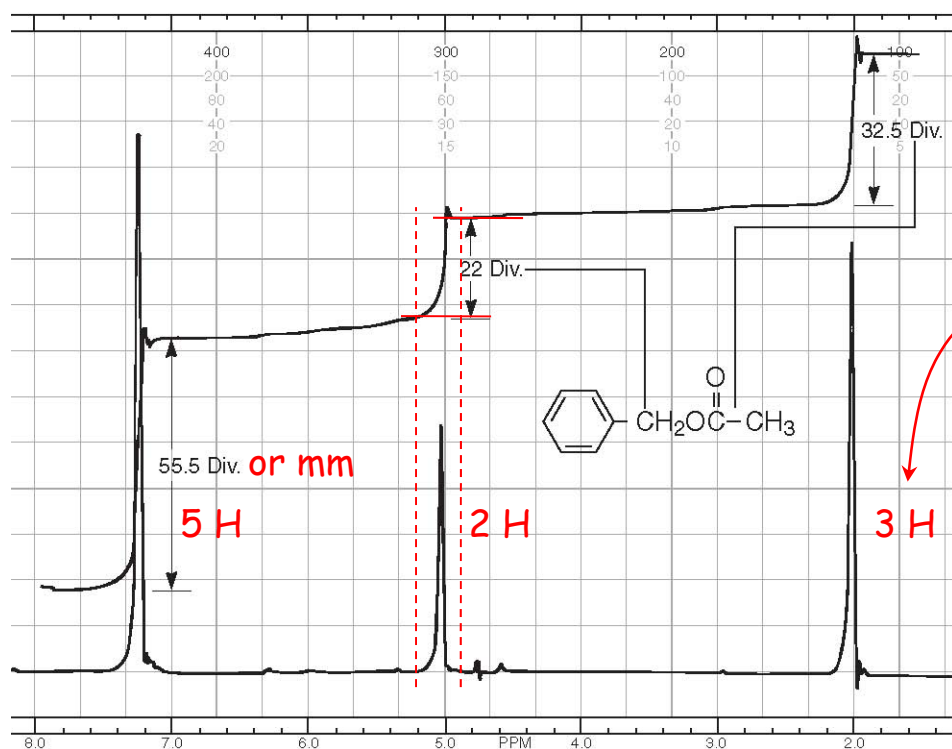
- chemical environment of the  $^1\text{H}$  is important:
  - electronegativity effects
  - hybridization effects
  - H-bonding effects
  - magnetic anisotropy effects



see p. A-8 ff

## 2. Integration

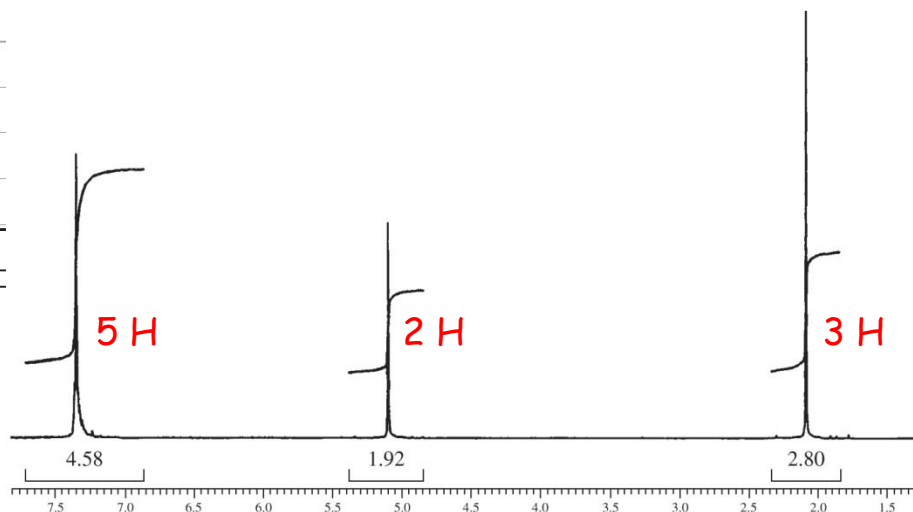
- determines the number of equivalent  $^1\text{H}$  for a signal
- determined through the area under the signal
  - given through a step trace (need a ruler!)
- provides first important label



55.5 : 22 : 32.5  
2.5 : 1 : 1.5  
5 : 2 : 3

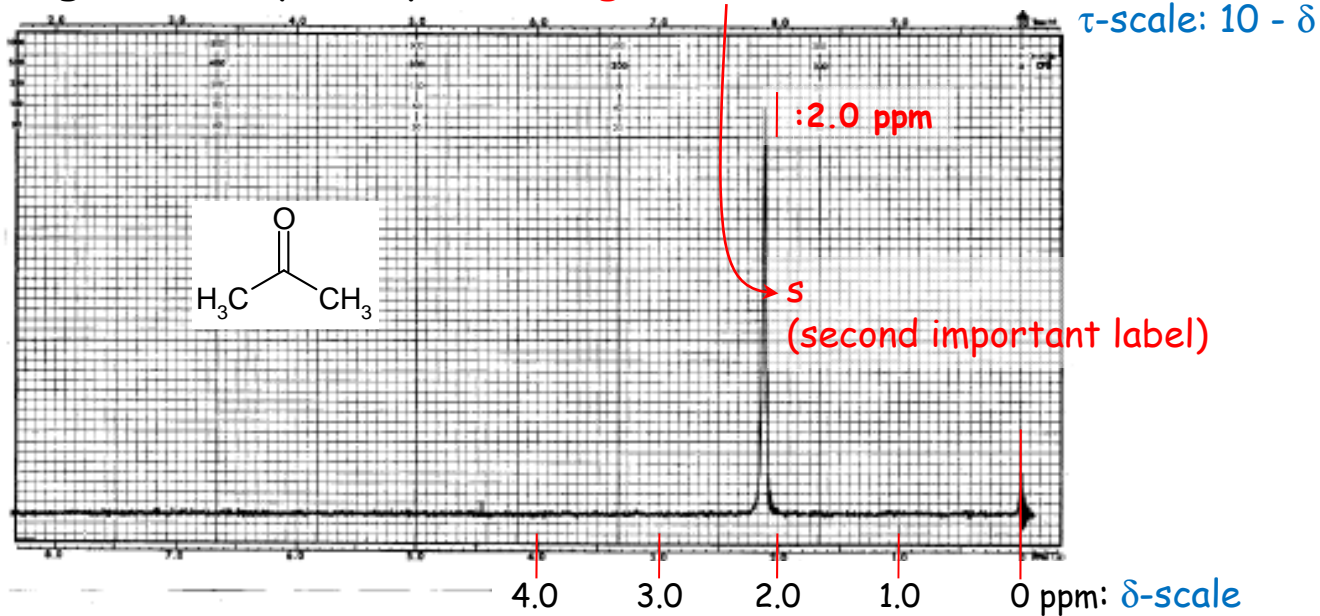
⇒ for a total of 10  $^1\text{H}$ !

digital information:

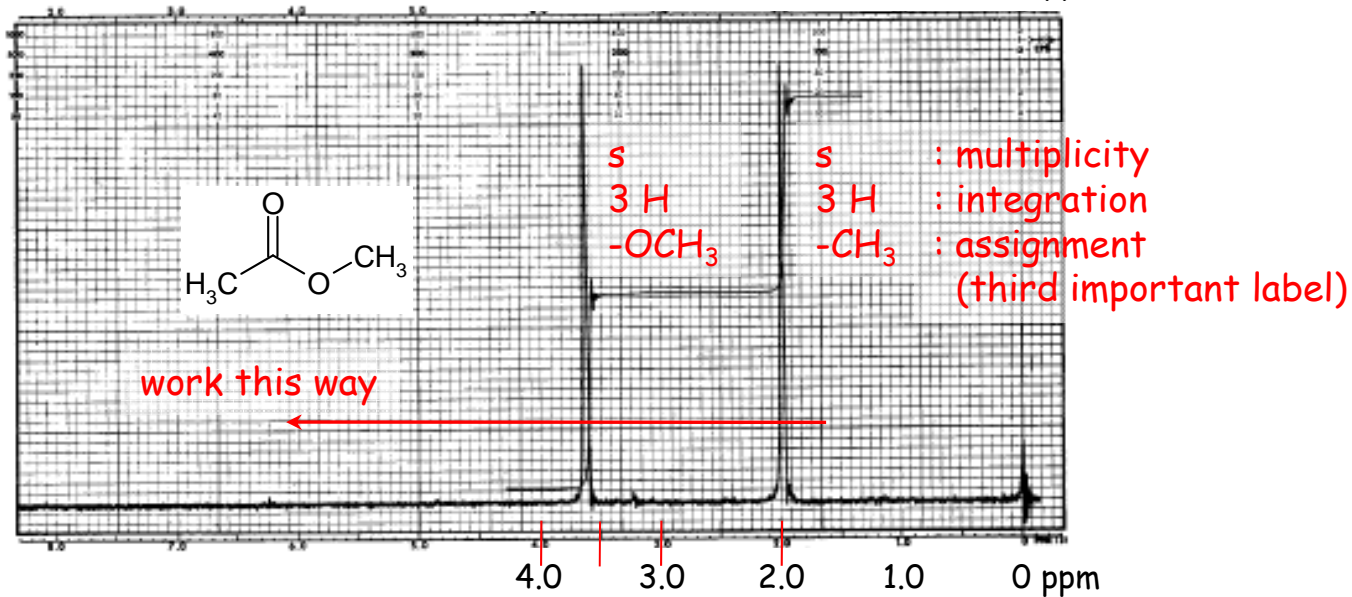


### 3. Simple (singlet) spectra

- signal is only one peak: **singlet, s**



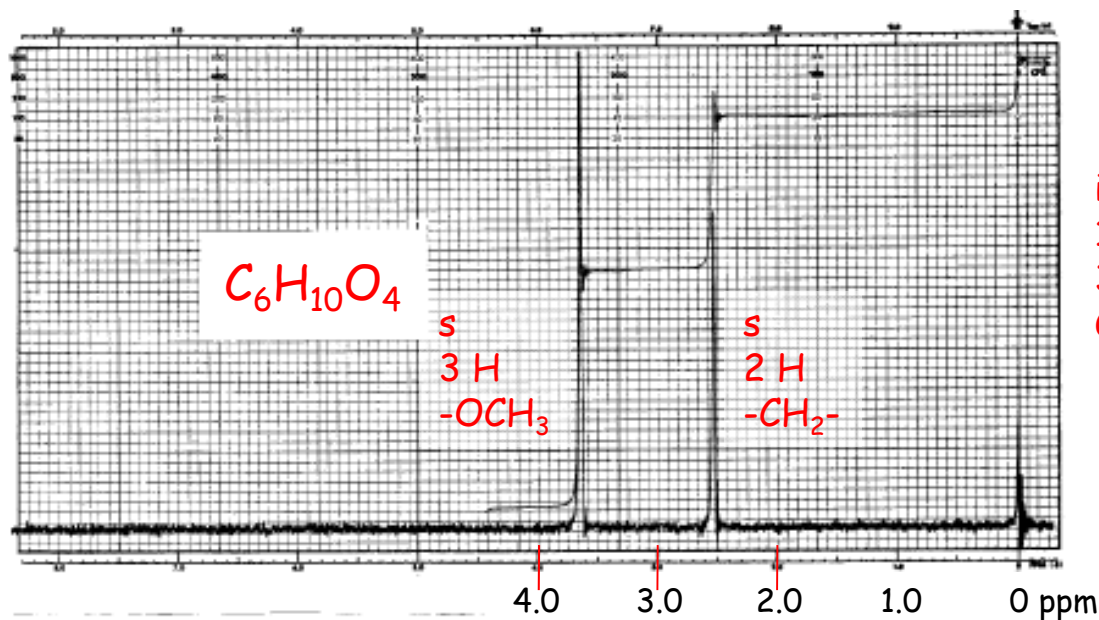
reported:  
2.1 s (6H)



reported:  
2.0 s (3H)  
3.65 s (3H)

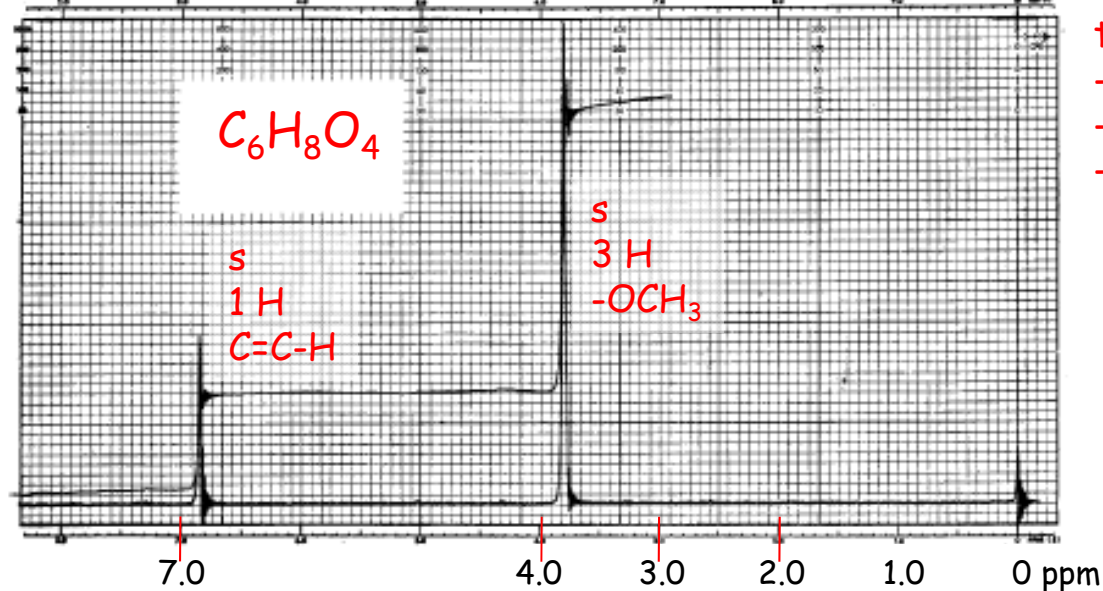


### 3. Simple spectra continued



integration:  
1.5 : 1 or  
3 : 2 or revised (!)  
6 : 4

reported:  
2.55 s 4H  
3.65 s 6H  
⇒ for a total  
of 10 <sup>1</sup>H



thoughts:  
- aromatic?  
- U?  
- empirical formula?

reported:  
3.8 s 6H  
6.85 s 2H  
⇒ for a total  
of 8 <sup>1</sup>H

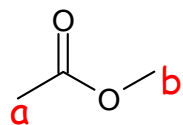
## 4. Estimation of $\delta^1\text{H}$

- from increment systems

- for  $\text{X-CH}_2\text{-Y}$  (and  $\text{X-CH}_3$ , where  $\text{Y}=\text{H}$  adds zero)

$$\delta^1\text{H (ppm)} = 0.23 + \text{increments for X and Y substituents}$$

see p. A-18

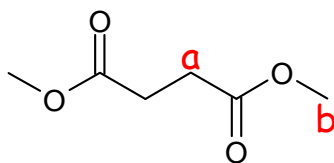


$$\delta^1\text{H}_a = 0.23 + 1.55 + 0 = 1.78 \text{ ppm (exp. 2.0 ppm) compare: ok}$$

COOR    H

$$\delta^1\text{H}_b = 0.23 + 3.13 + 0 = 3.36 \text{ ppm (exp. 3.65 ppm) ok}$$

OCOR    H



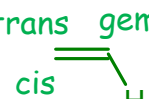
(appropriate?)

$$\delta^1\text{H}_a = 0.23 + 1.55 + 0.47^? = 2.25 \text{ ppm (exp. 2.55 ppm) ok}$$

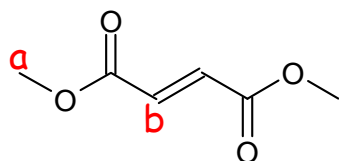
COOR    R

$$\delta^1\text{H}_b = 0.23 + 3.13 + 0 = 3.36 \text{ ppm (exp. 3.65 ppm) ok}$$

OCOR    H

- for 

$$\delta^1\text{H (ppm)} = 5.25 + \text{increments for gem, trans and cis substituents} \quad \text{see p. A-19}$$



$$\delta^1\text{H}_a = 0.23 + 3.13^? + 0 = 3.36 \text{ ppm (exp. 3.8 ppm) probably too low}$$

OCOR    H

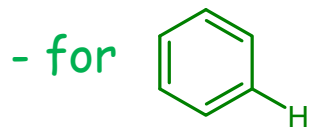
$$\delta^1\text{H}_b = 5.25 + 0.84 + 1.15 + 0 = 7.24 \text{ ppm (exp. 6.85 ppm) ok}$$

gem    cis    trans  
COOR    COOR    H



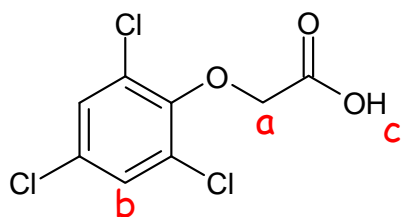
## 4. Estimation of $\delta^1\text{H}$ continued

- from an increment system



$$\delta^1\text{H (ppm)} = 7.27 + \text{increments for substituents}$$

see p. A-20



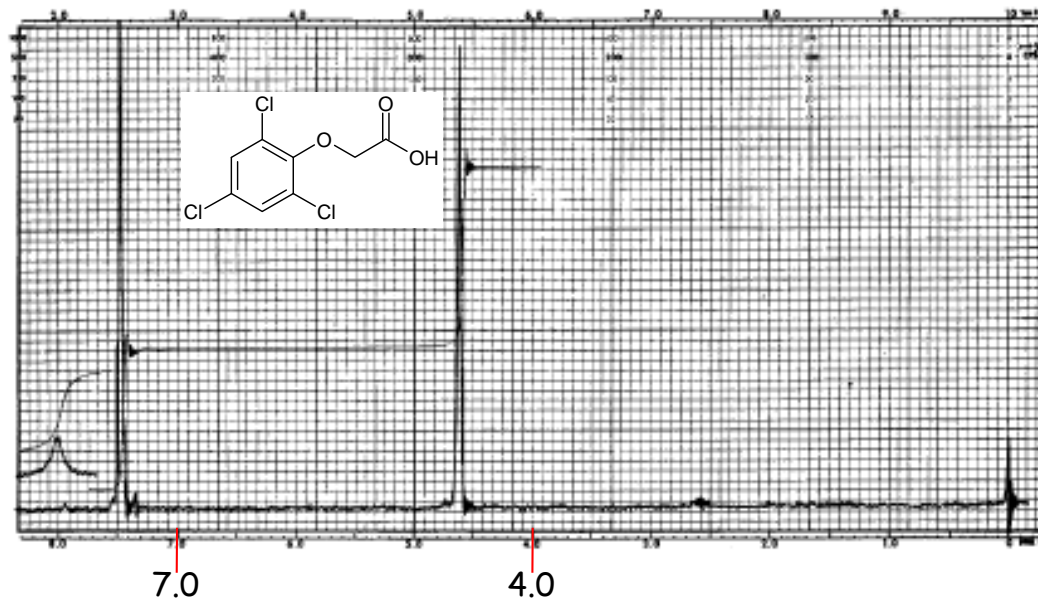
$$\delta^1\text{H}_a = 0.23 + 1.55^? + 3.23^? = 5.01 \text{ ppm (exp. 4.6 ppm) ok?}$$

*COOR*    *OC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>*

$$\delta^1\text{H}_b = 7.27 + 2 \cdot 0.03 + (-0.09) + (-0.09) = 7.15 \text{ ppm (exp. 7.5 ppm) ok?}$$

*o-Cl*    *p-Cl*    *m-OR*

$$\delta^1\text{H}_c = 11-12 \text{ ppm (no increments; from Table 5.4 or p. A-8)}$$



inset;  
problem:  
no scale given!

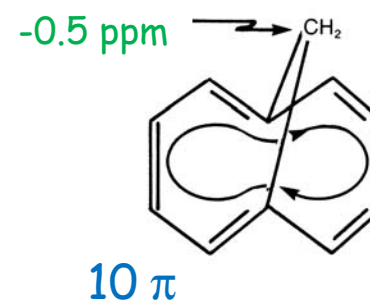
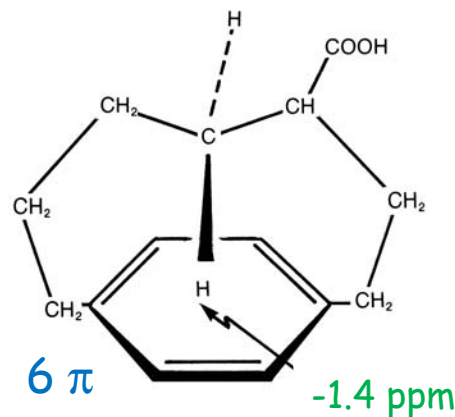
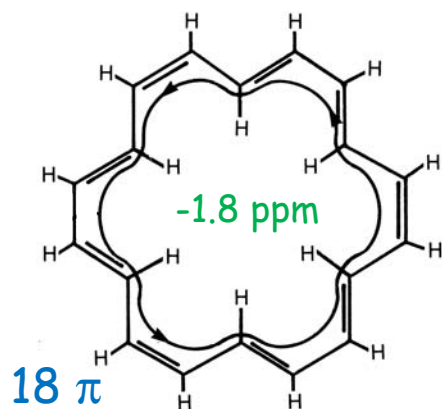
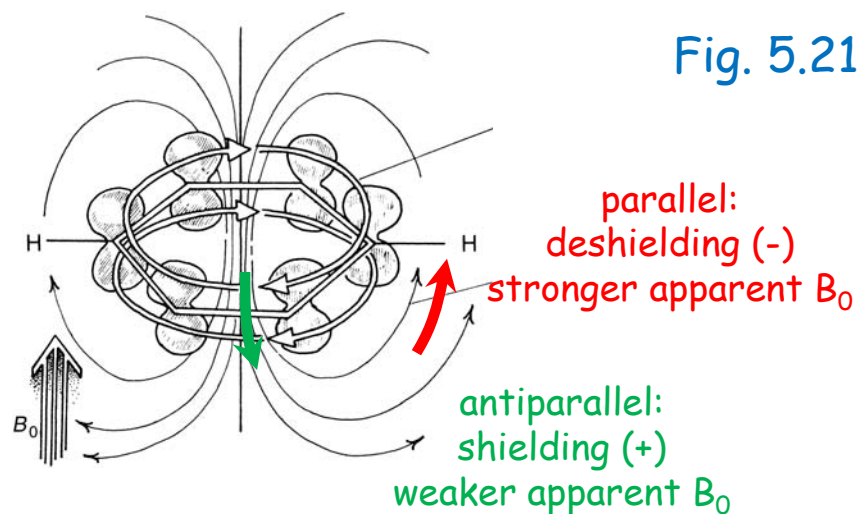
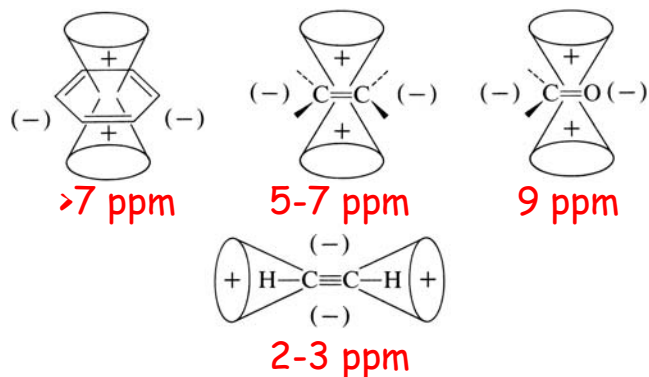
Not overly important  
for us

## 5. Magnetic anisotropy

- phenomenon observed for protons on or near  $\pi$ -systems
- mobile  $\pi$ -electrons create local magnetic fields
- shielding (+) and deshielding (-) regions
- unusual chemical shifts

reasoning:

general shielding observations:

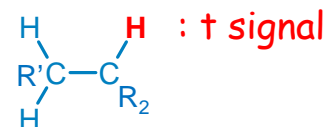
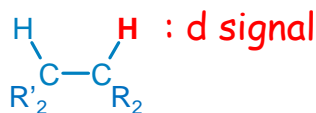


## 6. Spin-spin coupling

- between sets of chemically equivalent protons: signals are no longer singlets
- signal can be split into:

- 2 lines: doublet, **d**
- 3 lines: triplet, **t**
- 4 lines, quartet, **q**
- 5 lines, quintet, **quint**
- 6 lines, sextet, **sext**
- 7 lines, septet, **sept**

# of lines depends on the number of neighbouring  $^1\text{H}$ :  
 $n+1$  rule:  
 $n+1$  lines in the signal for  $n$  equivalent neighbouring  $^1\text{H}$



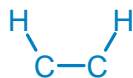
- protons can couple over

- 2 bonds:  $^2\text{J}$  coupling



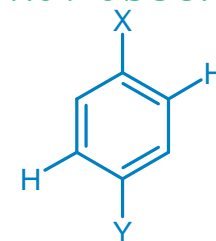
Will get back to this in detail later

- 3 bonds:  $^3\text{J}$  coupling



- 4 bonds or more:  $^4\text{J}$ ,  $^5\text{J}$  coupling or "long-range" coupling (mostly not observed)

but observed across multiple bonds:

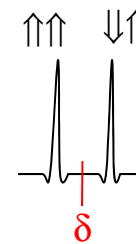


## 6. Spin-spin coupling continued

- signal multiplicity (number of lines) explained:



- $\uparrow\uparrow$     $\uparrow\uparrow$     $^1\text{H}$  sees **one**  $^1\text{H}$  on the next carbon atom:  
 $\downarrow\uparrow$     $\uparrow\uparrow$    - total of 2 different spin situations:  $\uparrow\uparrow$  and  $\downarrow\uparrow$   
 - signal for  $^1\text{H}$  splits into 2 lines: **doublet**

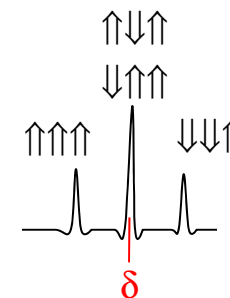


equal probability  
 $\Rightarrow$  same area/height  
 $\Rightarrow$  intensity ratio in signal 1:1

total spin observed by  $^1\text{H}$ :  $+\frac{1}{2}$   $-\frac{1}{2}$



- $\uparrow\uparrow$     $\uparrow\uparrow$     $^1\text{H}$  sees **two**  $^1\text{H}$  on the next carbon atom:  
 $\uparrow\downarrow$     $\uparrow\uparrow$    - total of 3 different spin situations  
 $\downarrow\uparrow$     $\uparrow\uparrow$    - signal for  $^1\text{H}$  splits into 3 lines: **triplet**  
 $\downarrow\downarrow$     $\uparrow\uparrow$



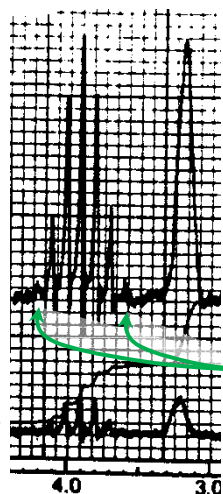
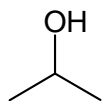
$\Rightarrow$  intensity ratio in signal 1:2:1

total spin observed by  $^1\text{H}$ :  $+1$   $0$   $-1$

## 6. Spin-spin coupling continued

- for  $I = \frac{1}{2}$ , intensities of the lines within a signal follow the binomial distribution
- Pascal's triangle (easily constructed)

				1					one line only
				1		1			two lines, equal intensities
			1	2	1				three lines, intensity ratio 1:2:1
		1	3	3	1				
	1	4	6	4	1				
1	5	10	10	5	1				
1	6	15	20	15	6	1			septet, outer lines often tough to detect!



looks like only 5 lines

don't miss the outer lines!

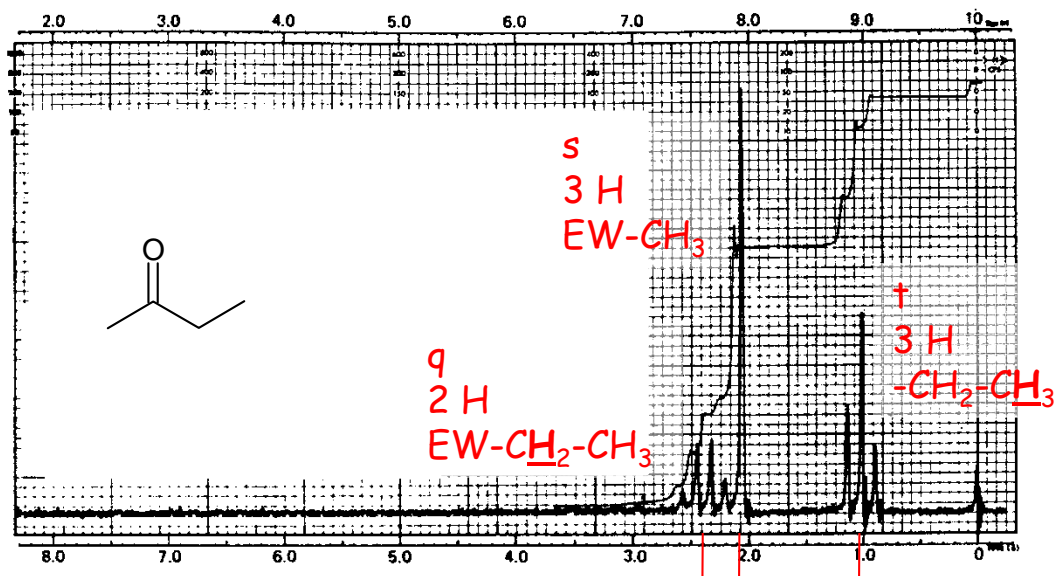
now we can predict  $^1\text{H}$  spectra

## Example

Better than  
problem 5.13!

Predict (draw) the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum for  .  
Consider (list!)  $\delta$ , multiplicity and integration.

## 7. Spectra with simple multiplets



Do not forget that you need all three labels on a signal!

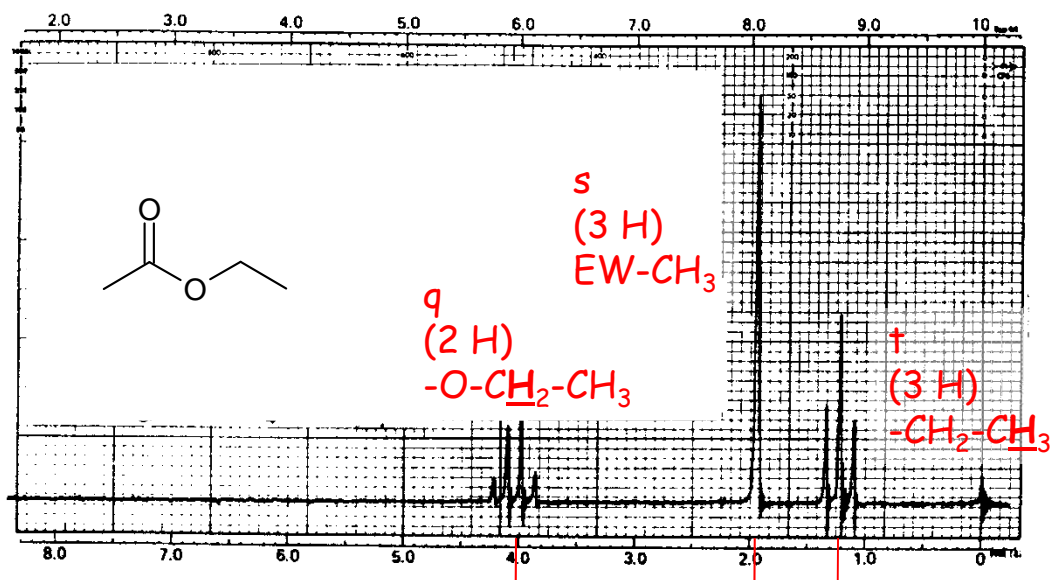


Table 5.8:  
examples of  
splitting patterns

# 7. Spectra with simple multiplets continued

- multiplet issues

## I. Multiplicity



quint sext

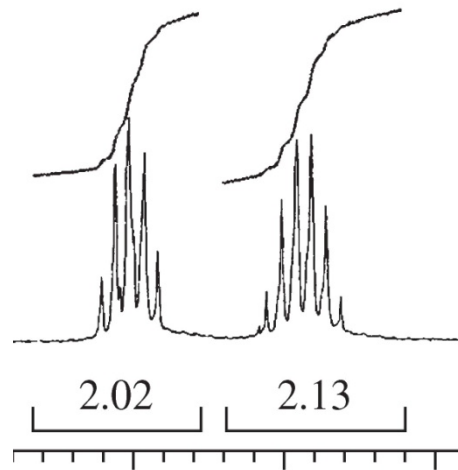
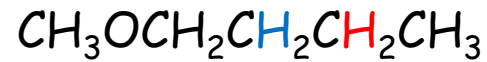


Fig. 5.41

1.5  
 $\Delta\delta$  0.25 ppm



quint? sext?

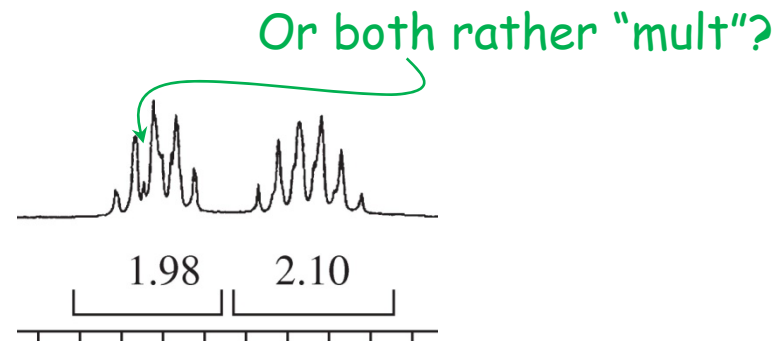


Fig. 5.43

1.5  
 $\Delta\delta$  0.15 ppm

Will discuss later in more detail, but for our purposes, these are still quint and sext!

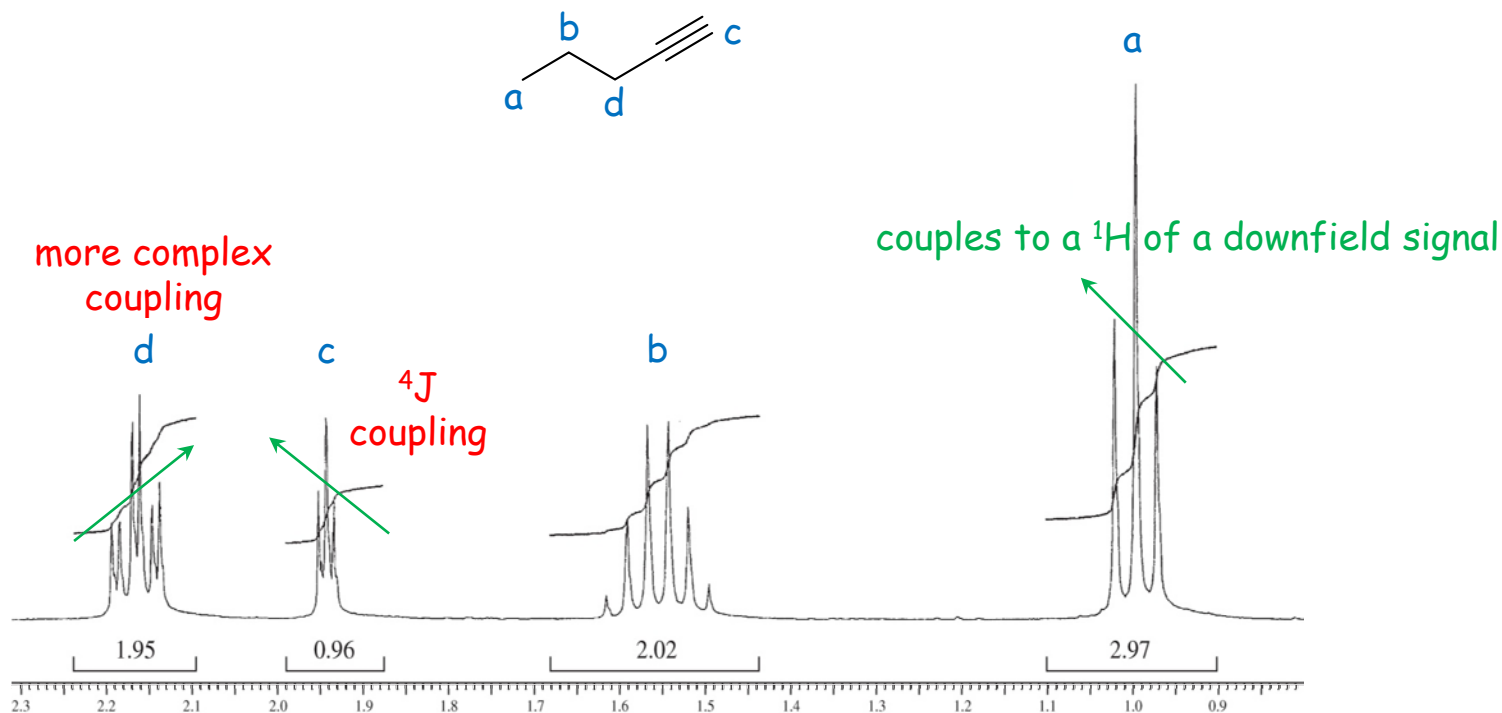


## 7. Spectra with simple multiplets continued

- multiplet issues

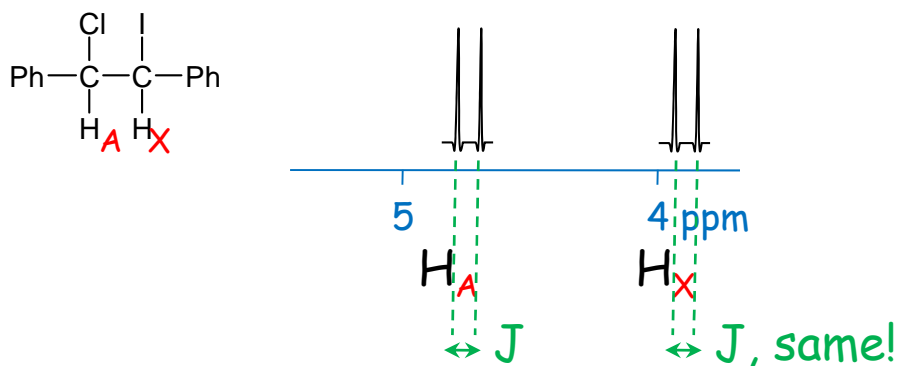
### II. Skewing in multiplets

- first information on which protons are coupled

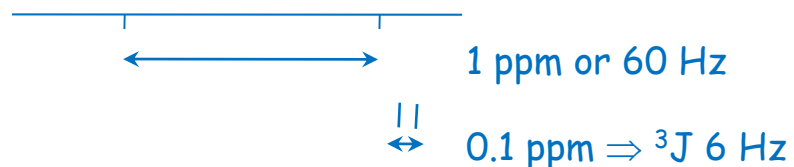


## 8. Coupling constant, J

- number assigned to the spread of the lines in a multiplet
- more reliable information on which protons are coupled than skewing
- for two multiplets from coupling protons, J is the same



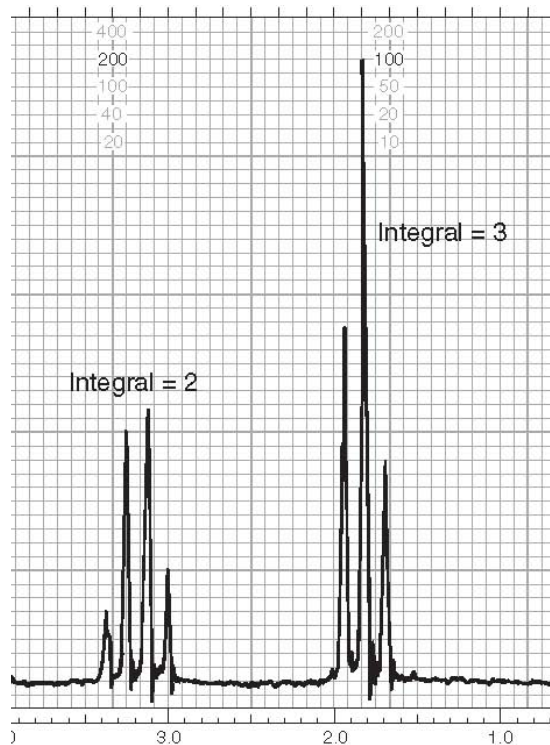
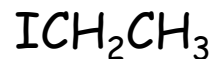
if this spectrum was taken at 60 MHz:



AX spin system:

- Pople notation
- two chemically different protons,  $\Delta\delta$  is (relatively) large

## 8. Coupling constant, J, continued



all  $\leftrightarrow$  spacings are the same,  
 ${}^3J$  7.5 Hz

Table 5.9:  
generalized J values  
and  
A-13 ff

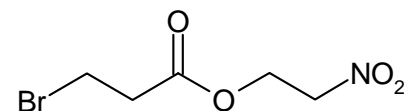
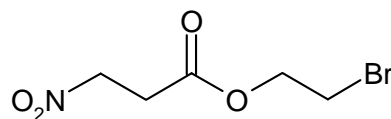
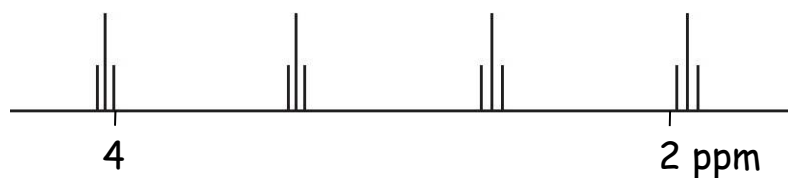
$A_2X_3$  spin system:

- Pople notation

- two sets of chemically different protons,  $\Delta\delta$  is (relatively) large

## Example

Assuming that  $^3J$  is greater upon Br-substitution, which structure is correct?

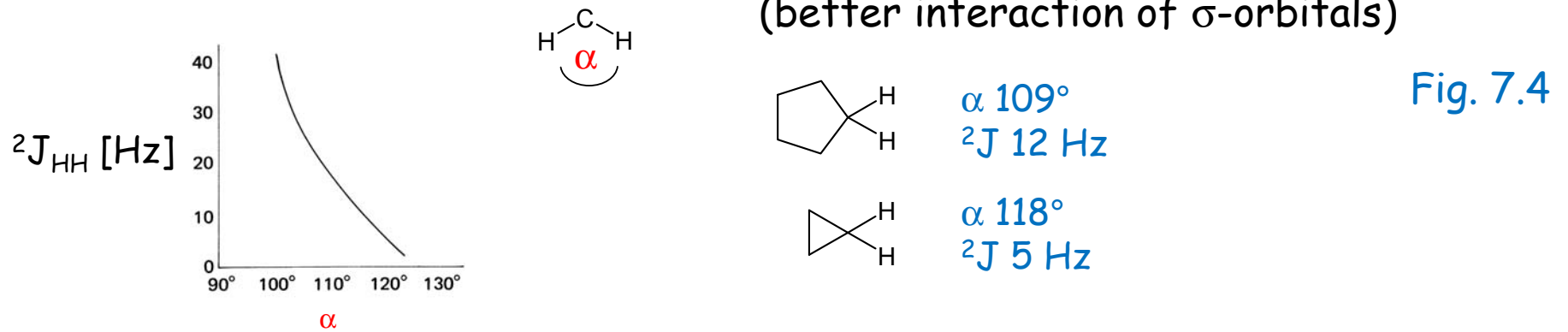


## 8. Coupling constant, J, continued

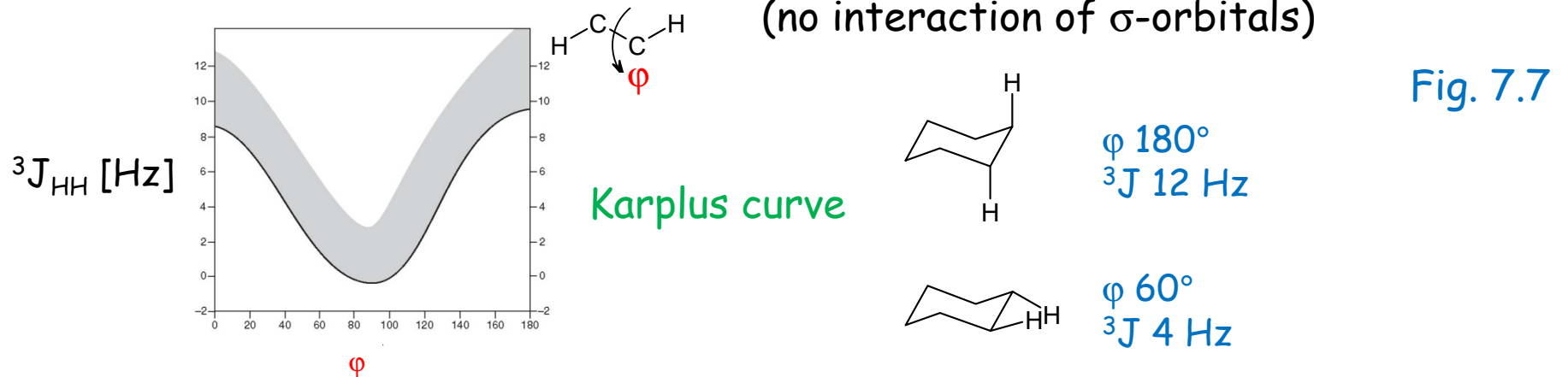
- origin of the coupling: via the electrons in the bonds  
: interaction between spins of nuclei and electrons

size of J depends on the geometry:

- $^2J$  depends on the HCH bond angle: larger J with smaller angle  
(better interaction of  $\sigma$ -orbitals)



- $^3J$  depends on the HCCH torsion angle: minimum function at 90°  
(no interaction of  $\sigma$ -orbitals)



# 9. First and second order spectra

- Second-order spectra are found for sets of nuclei if  $\Delta\nu/J$  is too small

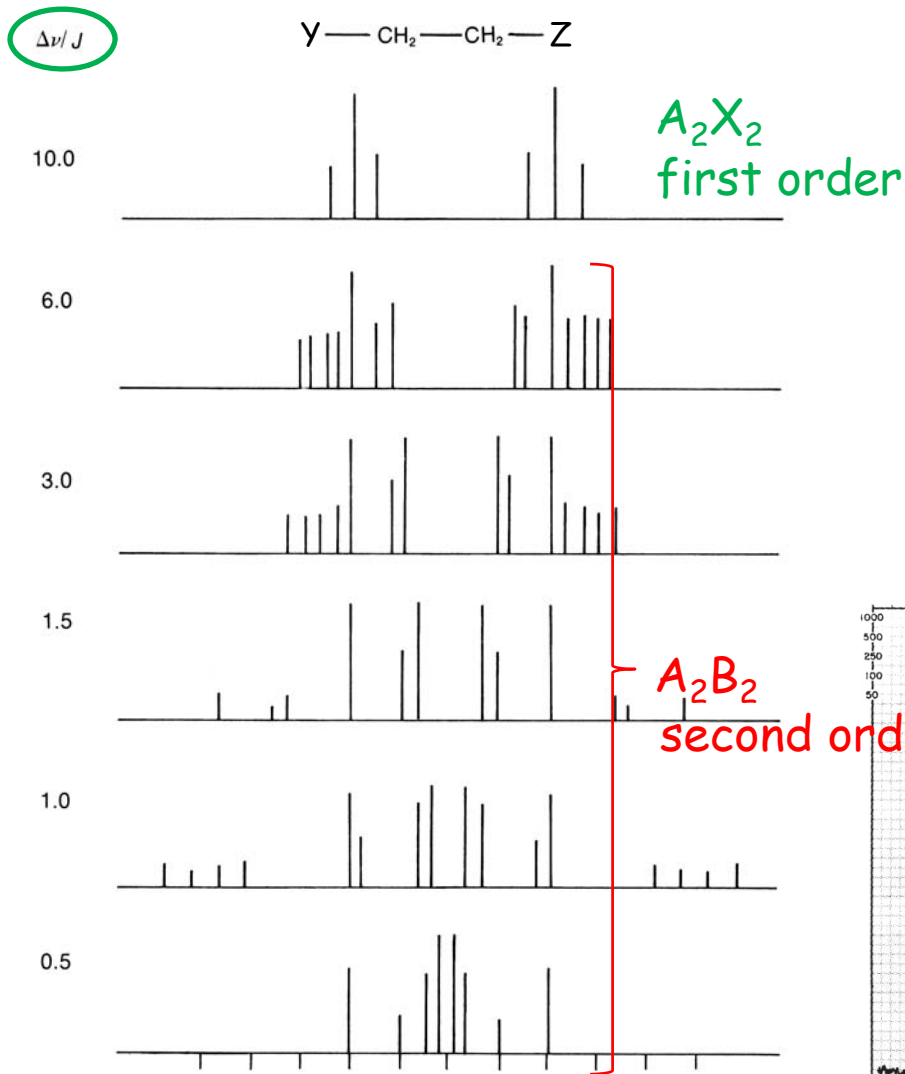
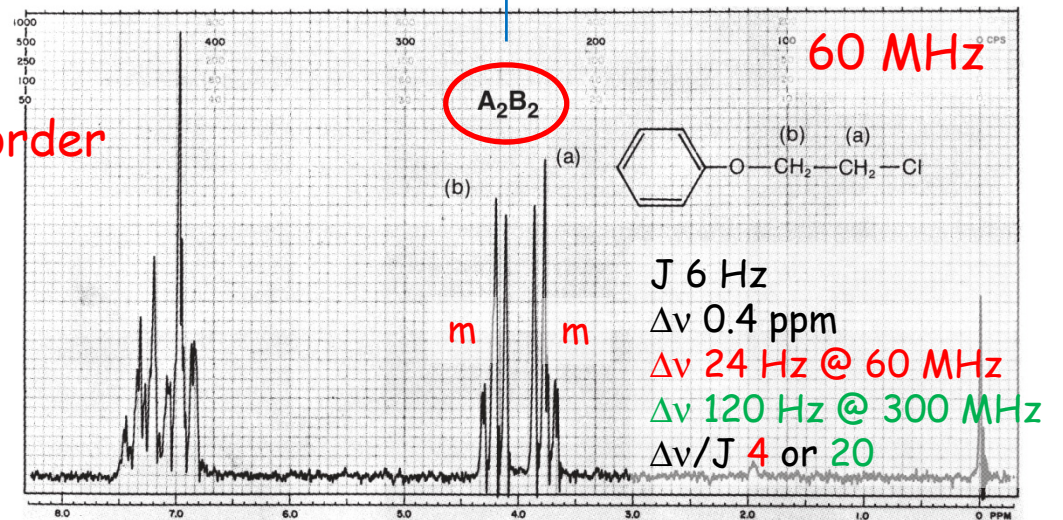
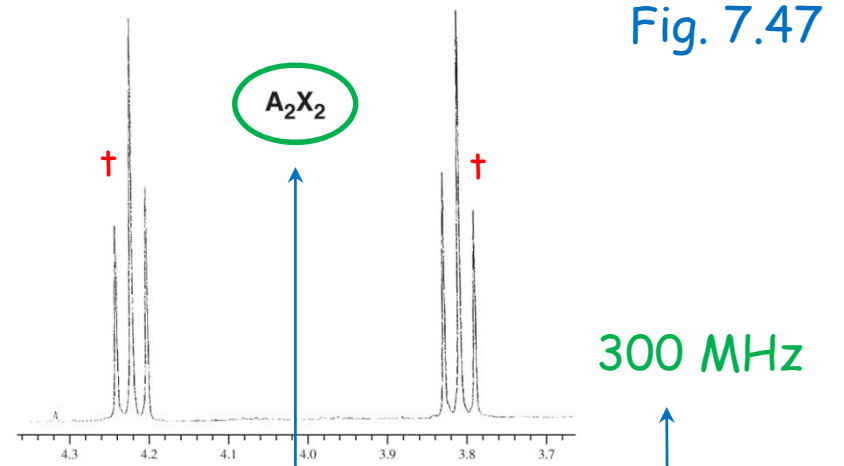


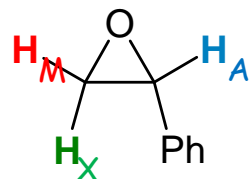
Fig. 7.44

both in Hz



## 10. Non-equivalence within a group

- coupling within a group ( $\text{CH}_2$ , e.g.) when protons are *not* chemically equivalent



all three  $^1\text{H}$  are chemically different

$\Rightarrow$  all will couple amongst each other

$\Rightarrow$  this is *not*  ,  $\text{H}_\text{A}$  does *not* couple into a triplet!

- observed coupling here:  $^3J_{\text{AM}} \neq ^3J_{\text{AX}}, ^2J_{\text{MX}}$

- we expect - three different coupling constants

- signals of different multiplicity than so far

- we can analyse - coupling constants

- appearance of a signal

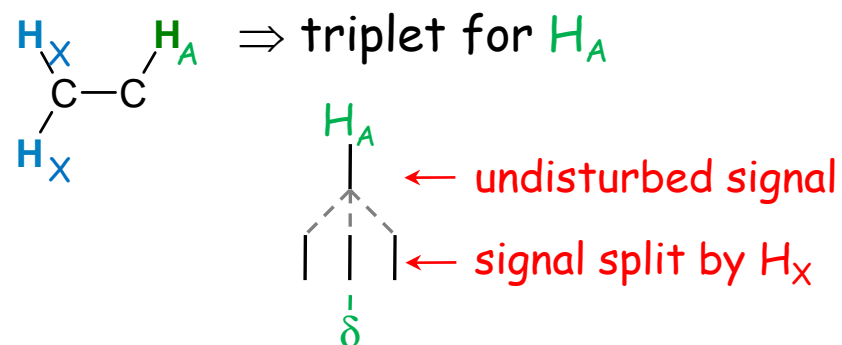
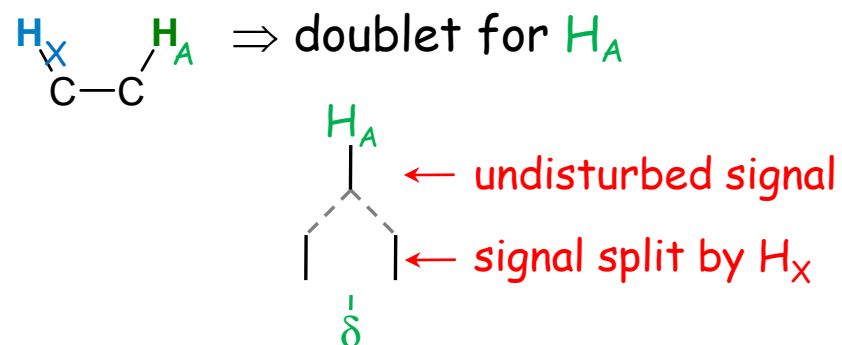
through tree-diagrams

## 10. Non-equivalence within a group continued

- analysis with a tree-diagram

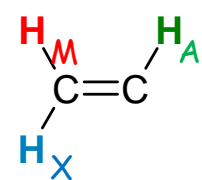
simple system:

coupling to one type of  $^1\text{H}$



advanced system:

coupling to two types of  $^1\text{H}$



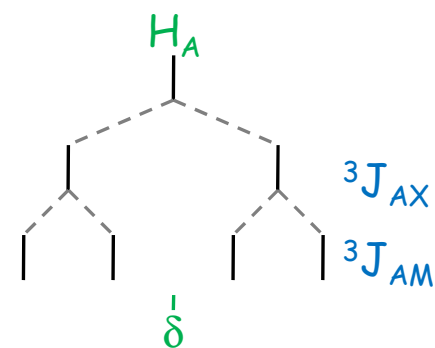
AMX system

$\Rightarrow$  one doublet for  $\text{H}_A$  with  $\text{H}_M$ , one doublet for  $\text{H}_A$  with  $\text{H}_X$

$\Rightarrow$  doublet of doublets for  $\text{H}_A$ , dd

doublet with  $\text{H}_X \rightarrow$

doublet with  $\text{H}_M \rightarrow$



$\Rightarrow$  1 signal, 4 lines

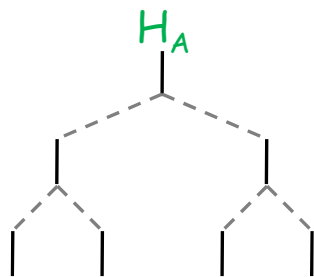


## 10. Non-equivalence within a group continued

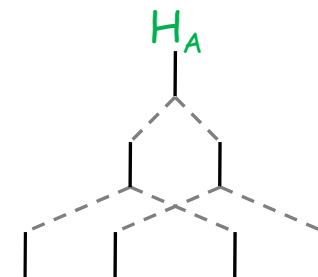
- two uses of a tree-diagram

towards a spectrum: what does the signal look like?

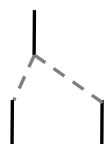
- use larger J first



not like this:



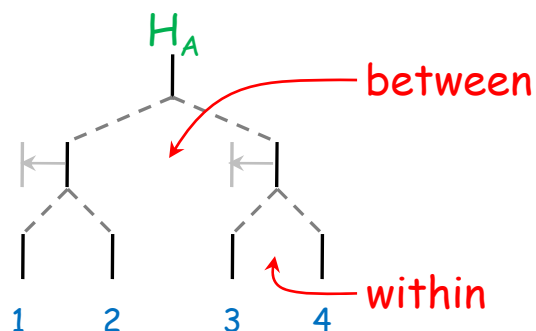
- stay symmetrical



: not like this, either!

from a spectrum: what are the coupling constants?

- take distance *within* and *between* the "individual multiplets"



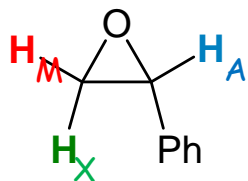
for a dd, measure

"within": distance of lines 1 and 2 or 3 and 4

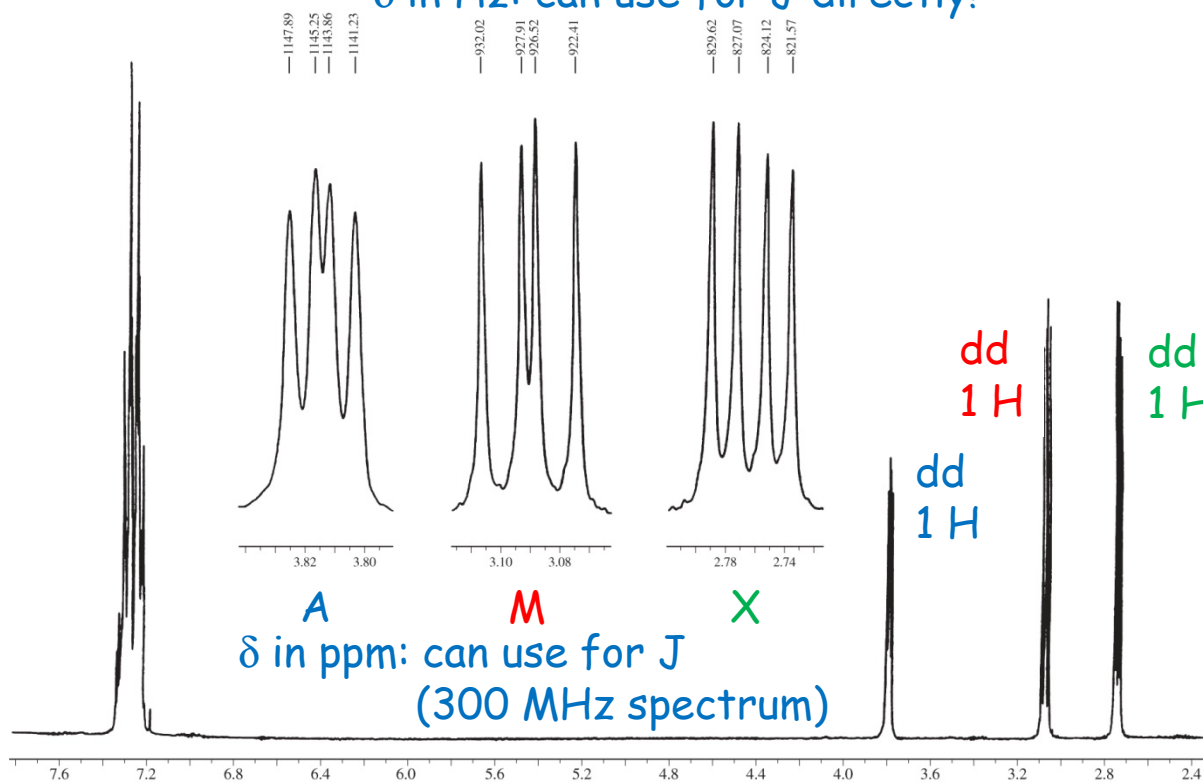
"between": distance of lines 1 and 3 or 2 and 4

# 10. Non-equivalence within a group continued

- appearance of the spectrum

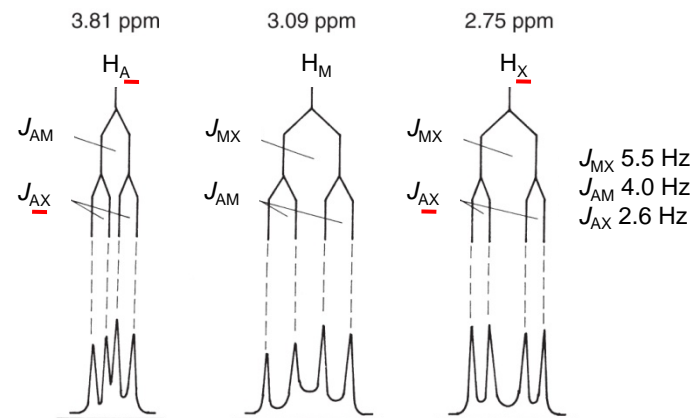


$\delta$  in Hz: can use for J directly!



$\delta$  in ppm: can use for J  
(300 MHz spectrum)

tree-diagram  
analysis



example:

$J_{AX}$  appears twice:

- in the signal for  $H_A$
- in the signal for  $H_X$

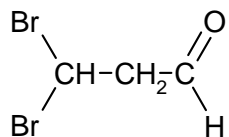
summarize as:

- $^3J_{AX}$  2.6 Hz
- $^3J_{AM}$  4.0 Hz
- $^2J_{MX}$  5.5 Hz

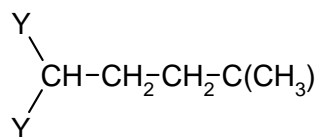
Fig. 7.31

## 10. Non-equivalence within a group continued

- two practice patterns



spin system:



spin system:

multiplicities:

tree-diagram (assume  $J_1 > J_2$ ):

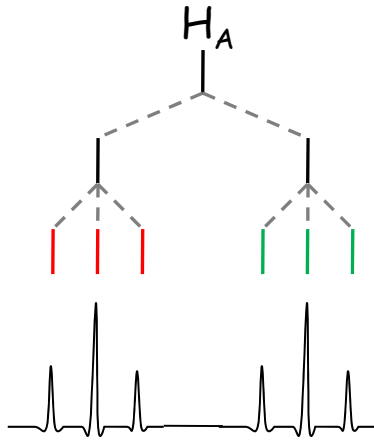
multiplicities:

tree-diagram:

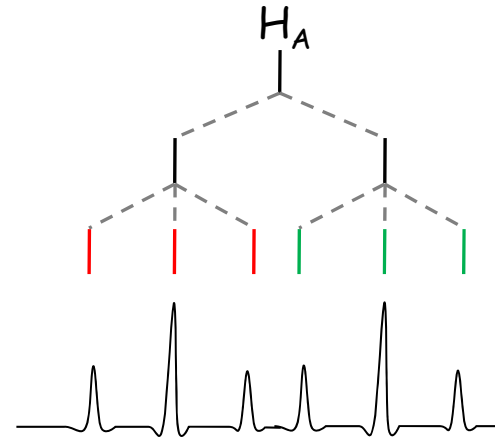
How do you determine which J is which?

# 10. Non-equivalence within a group continued

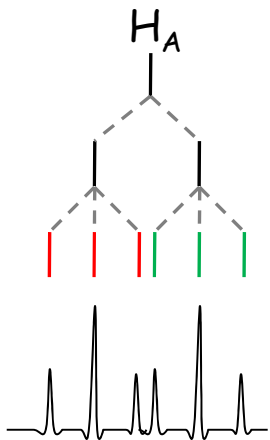
- the appearance of a dt as  $J$  changes



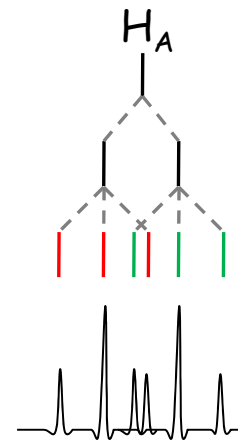
$J_1$  14 Hz  
 $J_2$  3 Hz



$J_1$  14 Hz  
 $J_2$  6 Hz



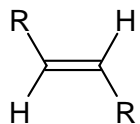
$J_1$  8 Hz  
 $J_2$  3 Hz



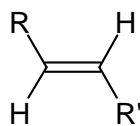
$J_1$  6 Hz  
 $J_2$  3 Hz

# 10. Non-equivalence within a group continued

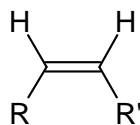
## - coupling examples in alkenes



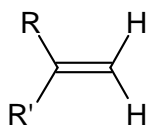
$^1\text{H}$  are chemically and magnetically equivalent  
 $\Rightarrow$  s, 2H, no splitting



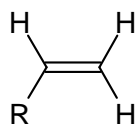
2 d,  $^3\text{J} \sim 16$  Hz (large)



2 d,  $^3\text{J} \sim 8$  Hz



2 d,  $^2\text{J} \sim 0-5$  Hz



3 dd

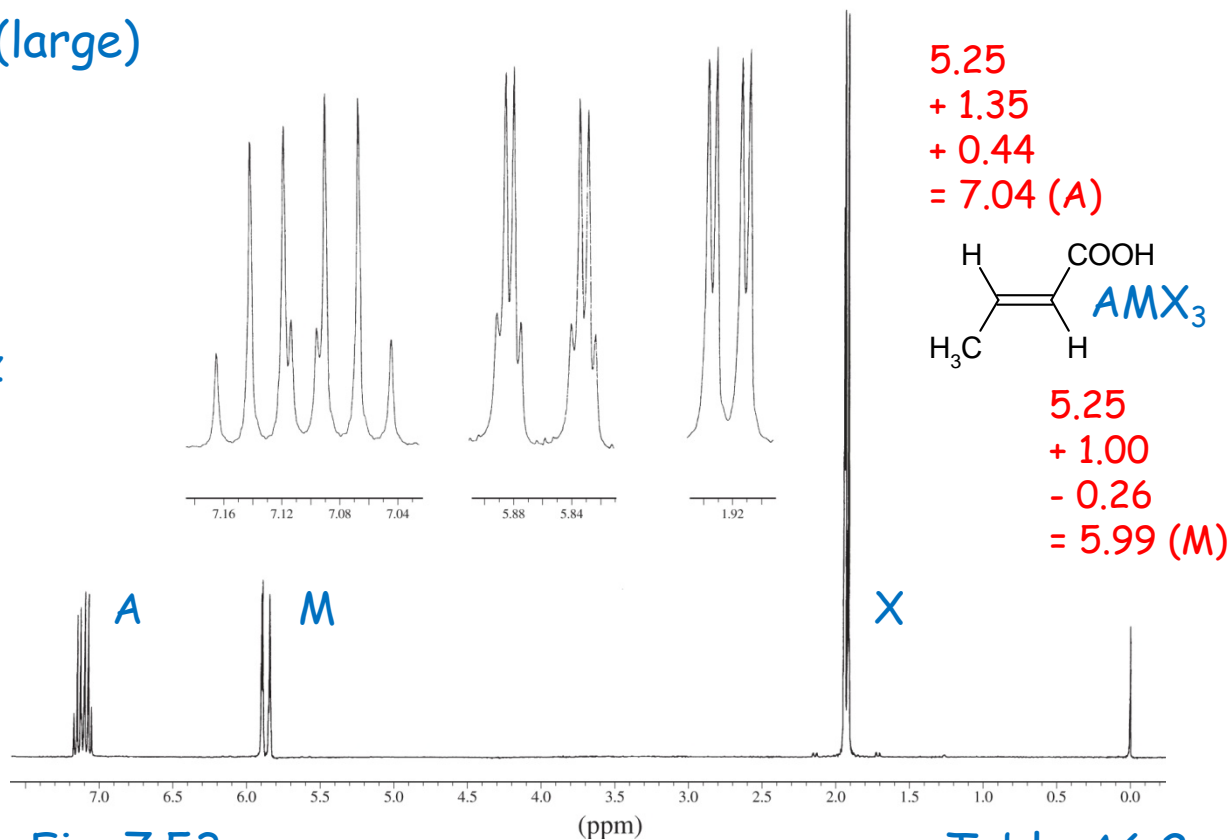


Fig. 7.53

Table A6.2

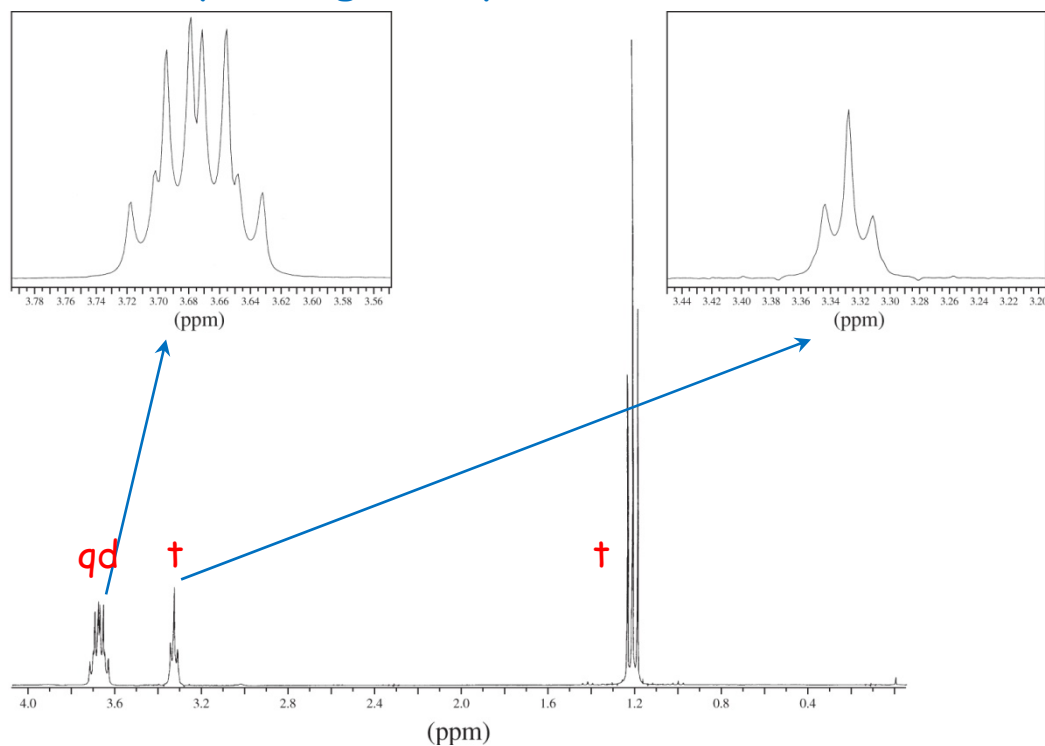
# 11. Protons on oxygen

- 2 issues

I. Lack of coupling

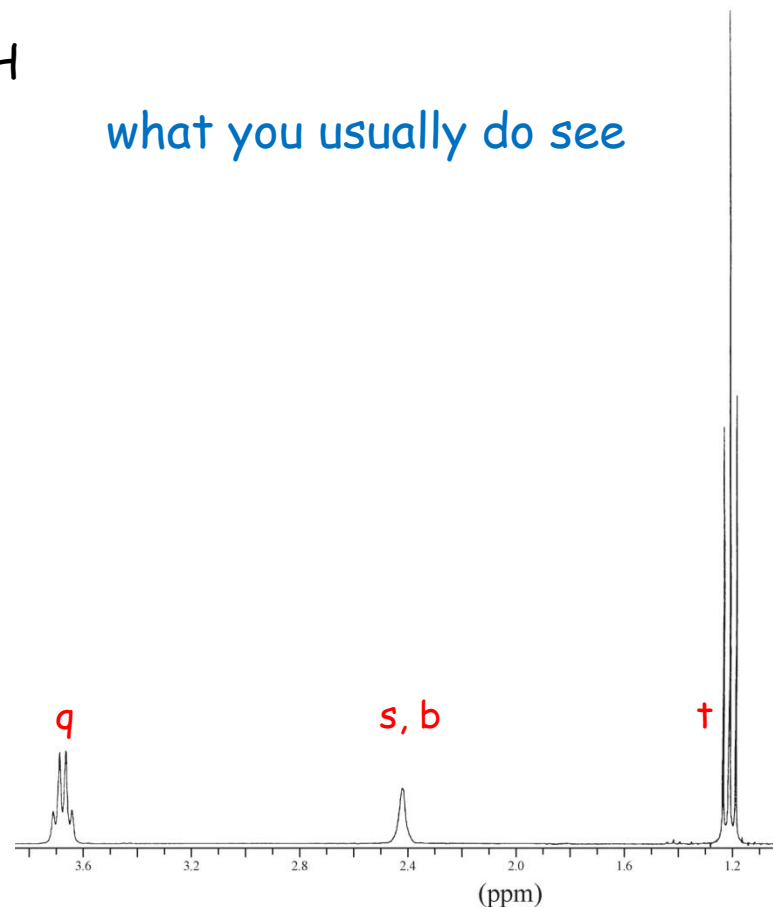


what you might expect to see



- ultrapure sample
- coupling to the OH proton observed

what you usually do see



- ordinary sample
- coupling to the OH proton *not* observed

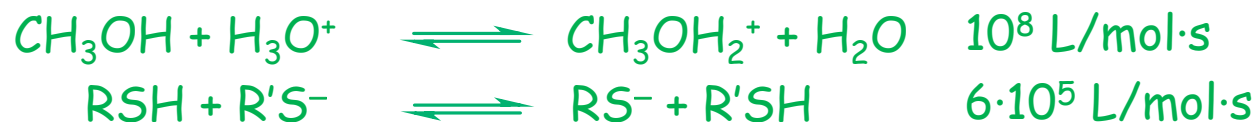
Fig. 8.3

Fig. 8.2

## 11. Protons on oxygen continued

- Reason that coupling to protons on oxygen is not observed:
  - exchange takes place with other ROH, H<sub>2</sub>O, traces of acid...
  - OH proton is not attached long enough for coupling to be recorded
  - rate of exchange is too great

Examples of fast exchange (high rate):



Example of a slow exchange (low rate):



- for coupling to be observed,  
rate of exchange (1/s)  $\approx$  coupling constant J (Hz)

How would you slow down the rate of exchange?

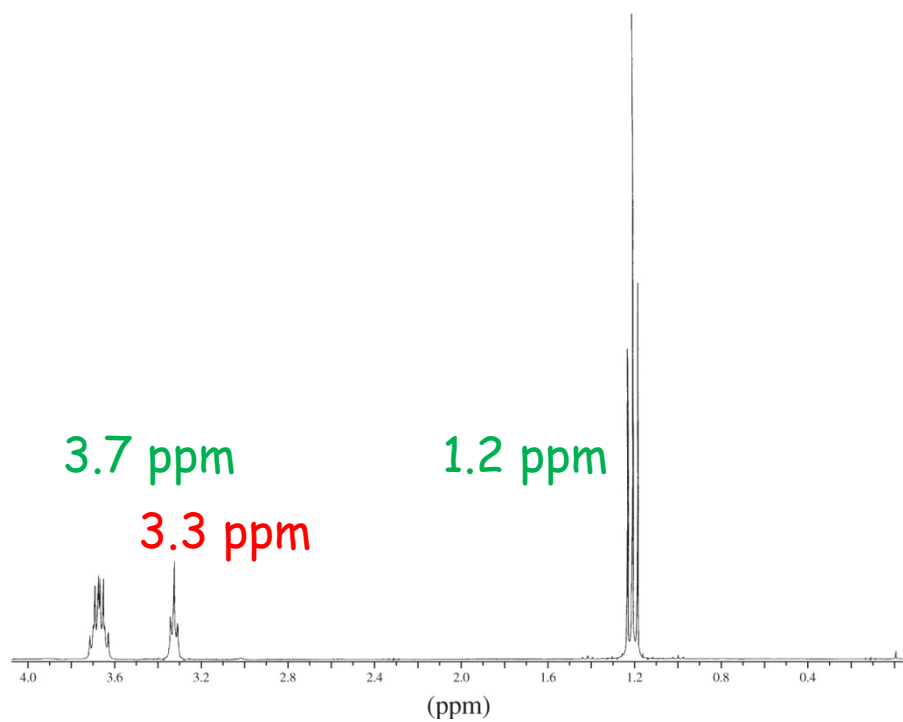
Cooling?

H-bonding?

# 11. Protons on oxygen continued

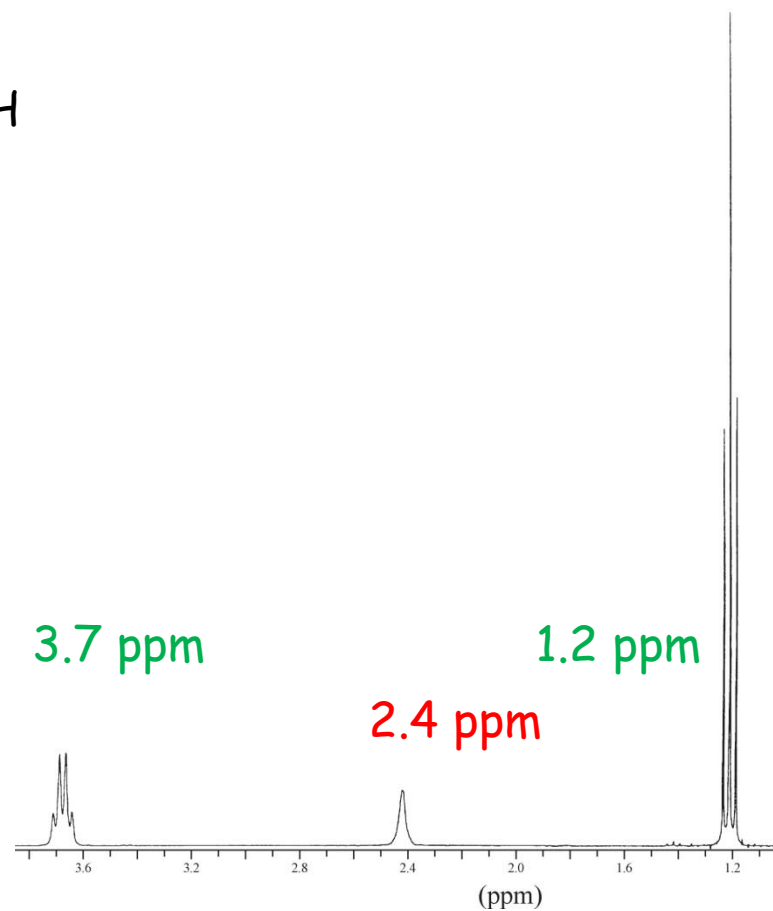
- 2 issues

II. Variability in  $\delta$



- ultrapure sample

Fig. 8.3



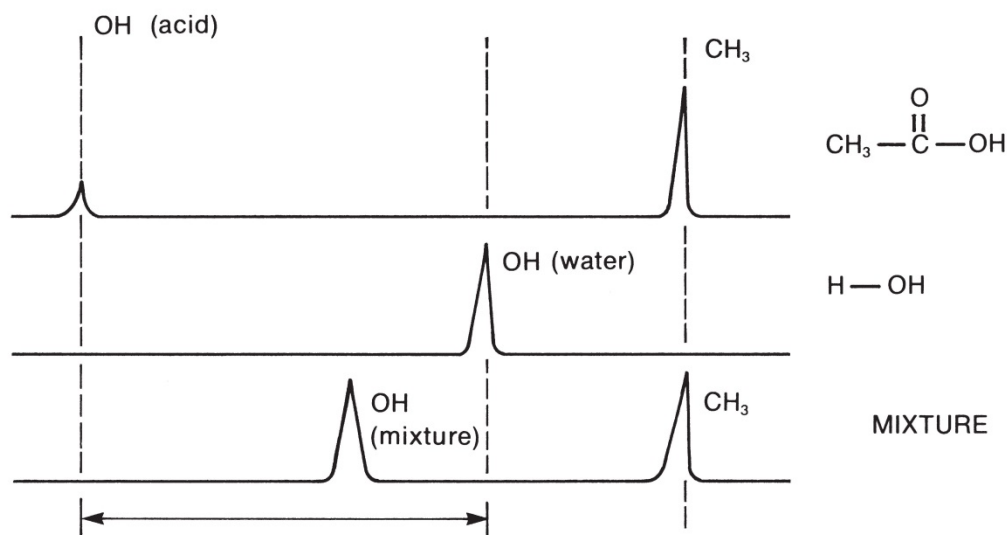
- ordinary sample

Fig. 8.2



## 11. Protons on oxygen continued

- Reason for the variable  $\delta$ :
  - rapid exchange with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ... (again)
  - OH signal position becomes the weighted average



exact position depends on the amount of water

Fig. 8.4