## 70. The <sup>2</sup>H, <sup>2</sup>H-INADEQUATE Experiment: Detection of One- and Two-Spin Double Quantum Coherences

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The INADEQUATE experiment for spin-1 nuclei has been extended to deuteron spin systems of the AX, AA'XX', and AA'MM'X type. Measurements with  $(3,3-D_2)$ norcampher, 4-chloro(2,3,5,6-D\_4)pyridine, and (D<sub>3</sub>)pyridine revealed correlation peaks due to two-spin double quantum coherences and additional one-spin double quantum peaks with coordinates  $F_1 = 2 \omega_i$ ,  $F_2 = \omega_i$  (i = A, X) which were not observed in the <sup>6</sup>Li,<sup>6</sup>Li-INADEQUATE experiment described earlier.

Introduction. – In the course of our work on the NMR spectroscopy of organolithium compounds [1], we have described the <sup>6</sup>Li, <sup>6</sup>Li-INADEQUATE experiment and its application to structural problems in this field [2] [3]. Using this approach, neighbouring, chemically nonequivalent <sup>6</sup>Li nuclei in organolithium clusters, which are scalar coupled, can be detected *via* the observation of NMR signals which arise from double quantum coherences.

A closer look at the energy level diagram for a spin-1 AX system (Fig. 1a) reveals that aside from two-spin double quantum coherences (broken lines), one-spin double quantum coherences (dotted lines) should also be excited during the INADEQUATE pulse sequence and pass the phase cycle unhindered. Consequently, in a two-dimensional INADEQUATE experiment (Eqn. 1 [4],  $\Delta = 1/4 J$  for spin- $\frac{1}{2}$  nuclei,  $\Delta = 1/8 J$  for spin-1



Fig. 1. a) Energy-level diagram for an AX system of spin-1 nuclei. b) Result of a density matrix calculation for the 2D-INADEQUATE experiment of a spin-1 AX system.  $v_A = 7.0$ ,  $v_X = -7.0$ , J = 0.35 Hz; magnitude calculation.

nuclei) one expects, after reconversion of double quantum coherences to observable one quantum magnetization, additional signals with coordinates  $F_1 = 2 \omega_i$ ,  $F_2 = \omega_i (i = A, X)$ , because evolution during  $t_1$  proceeds with twice the *Larmor* frequency. These signals correspond to the 'type-II' signals observed for spin-<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> nuclei in case of magnetic equivalence [5].

$$90^{\circ} - \varDelta - 180^{\circ} - \varDelta - 90^{\circ} - t_1 - 135^{\circ}, \text{ FID } (t_2)$$
(1)

This prediction is easily verified by a density matrix calculation with the program SMART [6] (*Fig. 1b*). However, experimentally, we never observed such signals in our <sup>6</sup>Li,<sup>6</sup>Li experiments [2] [3]. We, therefore, investigated the 2D-INADEQUATE experiment for another spin-1 nucleus, <sup>2</sup>H, in order to solve this apparent discrepancy between theory and experiment.

**Results and Discussion.** – A number of <sup>2</sup>H spin systems of increasing complexity were studied with the compounds  $(3,3'-D_2)$ norcampher (1), 4-chloro $(2,3,5,6-D_4)$ pyridine (2), and  $(D_5)$ pyridine (3). As *Fig.2* demonstrates, the expected signals which arise from one-spin double quantum coherences are observed in all cases. Clearly, these peaks do not yield correlation information. It is interesting to note that, for the more complex spin systems in 2 and 3 (AA'XX' and AA'MM'X systems, respectively), their relative intensity



Fig. 2. 61.42-MHz<sup>2</sup>H,<sup>2</sup>H-INADEQUATE experiments for three different <sup>2</sup>H spin systems. a) AX System of 1 with <sup>1</sup>H broad-band decoupling; homonuclear <sup>2</sup>H,<sup>2</sup>H coupling 0.35 Hz. b) AA'XX' system of 2; c) AA'MM'X system of 3. Magnitude calculation in each case; correlation peaks are connected by broken lines.

with respect to the signals which arise from two-spin double quantum magnetization has increased. Furthermore, signal selection for these higher spin systems leads to peaks with coordinates  $+F_1$ ,  $+F_2$  and  $-F_1$ ,  $-F_2$ , while in the AX case we find  $+F_1$ ,  $-F_2$  and  $-F_1$ ,  $+F_2$ .

Turning back to our product operator treatment [7] of the INADEQUATE experiment for a spin-1 AX system [3], we can complete the calculation for the 2D experiment, if we include the center line. For the magnetization after the spin-evolution time  $2\Delta$ , we then have

$$\sigma_1 = (\hat{I}_x \hat{S}_z + \hat{I}_z \hat{S}_x) \sin(2\pi J 2\varDelta) + (\hat{I}_y \hat{S}_z^2 + \hat{I}_z^2 \hat{S}_y) \cos(2\pi J 2\varDelta) + (\hat{I}_y + \hat{S}_y) - (\hat{I}_z^2 \hat{S}_y + \hat{I}_y \hat{S}_z^2)$$
(2)

With  $2\Delta = 1/4J$ , we obtain, after the second 90° pulse, two-spin double quantum coherence (term 1) and one-spin double quantum coherence (term 3) which evolve during  $t_1$  with  $\omega_A + \omega_X$  and 2  $\omega_i$  (i = A, X), relative to the carrier frequency  $\omega_o$ , respectively:

$$\sigma_2 = (\hat{I}_y \hat{S}_x + \hat{I}_x \hat{S}_y) - (\hat{I}_z + \hat{S}_z) + (\hat{I}_y^2 \hat{S}_z + \hat{I}_z \hat{S}_y^2)$$
(3)

The first term yields, after the read pulse, the correlation signals, while the last term leads to the additional peaks at  $2 \omega_i, \omega_i$ .

The reason why we did not observe the signals arising from one-spin coherences in the <sup>6</sup>Li, <sup>6</sup>Li experiment are not clear. It seems possible that their relaxation behaviour as well as field inhomogeneity prevented their detection.

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**Experimental.** – Compounds. The synthesis of 1 and 2 followed published procedures [8] [9], 3 was commercially available (Aldrich).

Spectra. The <sup>2</sup>H,<sup>2</sup>H-INADEQUATE spectra were measured with the standard *Bruker* software (INAD, UXNMR version 911101.1) on a *Bruker AMX-400* spectrometer at 61.42 MHz. The following parameters were used:

	а	b	С	d	е	f	g	h	i
1	60	120	128	32	4K × 256	6.4	2	312.5	10.3
2	185	370	128	128	$1K \times 512$	1.4	1	200	14
3	130	260	128	32	$1K \times 128$	3.94	0.5	830	7

(a = sweep width in  $F_1$  [Hz]; b = sweep width in  $F_2$  [Hz]; c = number of  $t_1$  experiments; d = number of scans; e = size of data matrix after zero-filling in  $F_1$ ; f = acquisition time [s]; g = relaxation delay [s]; h =  $\Delta$  delay = 1/8 J [ms]; i = total measuring time [h])

Shifted sine bell window functions were applied in both frequency dimensions. The <sup>2</sup>H assignment follows the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR assignment from [10].

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