SUBSTITUENT EFFECTS ON C-13 CHEMICAL SHIFTS OF SUBSTITUTED BENZENES. PERIODICAL DEPENDENCY OF SUBSTITUENT ELECTRONEGATIVITY EFFECTS UPON RING-CARBON CHEMICAL SHIFTS

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In the preceding paper,¹ we reported that the relative substituent ¹³C chemical shifts of <u>meta</u>-carbons (C_m-SCS) and ring-carbons directly bonded to a substituent (C_s-SCS) in a series of substituted benzenes are ruled by substituent electronegativities in the series of the second-period central atoms, but that halogen atoms such as chlorine and bromine as well as some other heavy atoms deviate from the relationship. Earlier workers explained this phenomenon in terms of the magnetic anisotropy of the halogen atoms in the case of the C_s -SCS.^{2a}

Examining a number of selected literature data on ${}^{13}C$ -SCS in monosubstituted benzenes³ and 4-substituted styrenes, ⁴ we found satisfactory periodical linear relationships between both C_s- and C_m-SCS and the substituent electronegativity of elements of the second through the sixth period.

FIGURES 1 and 2 respectively show the periodical linearity between C_s - and C_m -SCS and the group electronegativity of substituents $(X_X)^5$ in monosubstituted benzenes.³ Similar behavior is also demonstrated in the cases of C-2(6) (C_m) and C-4 (C_s) in substituted styrenes⁴ as reproduced in FIGs. 3 and 4. Furthermore, similar periodical relationships of ¹³C-SCS and X_X were revealed on reexamination of the data reported in earlier studies of ¹³C-SCS of monosubstituted methanes^{2b} (see FIG. 5) and ethylenes,⁶ although the use of substituents from the fourth through sixth periods is more restricted.

In these relationships, plots for the halogen atoms seem to belong to each period line. The deviation of plots for cyano and ethynyl groups from the second-period line (see FIGs. 1 and 3), as suggested in the preceding paper, ¹ may arise from their anisotropy effects on the basis of recent calculation of the ¹³C







FIG. 3. Plots of C_s-SCS (C-4) <u>vs</u>. substituent electronegativity (X_X) for 4-substituted styrenes. Data taken from ref 4.



FIG. 5. Plots of ¹³C-SCS vs. substituent electronegativity (X_X) for monosubstituted methanes. Data taken from ref 2b.



FIG. 4. Plots of C_m -SCS (C-2(6)) vs. substituent electronegativity (X_X) for 4-substituted styrenes. Data taken from ref 4.

chemical shift of acetonitrile.⁷ The extremely large downfield shifts of C_s -Li and C_s -MgBr signals (see FIG. 1) have been suggested as resulting from the ionic character of their bonds.^{3b}

Interestingly, the sign of the slopes from the third- to the sixth-period lines is the opposite of that of the second-period one in the relationships of C_s -SCS and χ_X (see FIGs. 1 and 3). The feature of the relationships of C_{α} -SCS and χ_X in monosubstituted ethylenes (CH₂=C_{α}HX) is very similar to that in monosubstituted benzene. This inversion of the sign is also apparent for the slope of the fifth-period atoms in the relationships of monosubstituted methanes. However, similar

relationships between C_m -SCS and X_X show the same sign in each period line as indicated in FIGs. 2 and 4.

This periodical dependency of the electronegativity effect has also been reported for IR,⁸ ¹H-SCS,⁹ and $J_{13}C-H$ data.¹⁰

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