

ON THE HYBRIDIZATION-DEPENDENCE OF DEUTERIUM-INDUCED ^{13}C NMR ISOTOPE
 SHIFTS OVER ONE BOND: DATA FOR ETHANE, ETHYLENE, AND ACETYLENE⁺

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Abstract: One-bond $^2\text{H}/^1\text{H}$ isotope effects on ^{13}C chemical shifts in ethane, ethylene, and acetylene correlate linearly with the fractional s-character of the corresponding CD bond hybrid.

There are a number of reports in the literature on the s-character dependence of $^2\text{H}/^1\text{H}$ isotope effects on ^{13}C chemical shifts, $^1\Delta(^{13}\text{C})$,¹⁾ and a decrease of $^1\Delta(^{13}\text{C})$ with increasing s-character of the CD bond hybrid has been calculated²⁾ and measured.³⁾ However, conclusive experimental results from a study that includes aliphatic, olefinic as well as acetylenic CD bonds have not yet been obtained. Earlier attempts failed because of the lower experimental accuracy available at that time⁴⁾ or the neglect of substituent effects on $^1\Delta(^{13}\text{C})$ data.⁵⁾

We now observed an excellent linear correlation between $^1\Delta(^{13}\text{C})$ and the fractional s-character, $s(i)$, of the corresponding CD bond hybrid for the two series of compounds 1 - 3 and 4 - 6, respectively (Table 1). The mono-deuterated species were prepared by standard techniques as 3:1 mixtures with isotope-free material.⁶⁾ NMR isotope effects were measured at 100.61 MHz under ^1H broad-band decoupling and ^2H decoupling where necessary.⁷⁾ The fractional s-character was calculated from the observed one-bond ^{13}C , ^2H coupling constants by the modified Muller-Pritchard relation⁸⁾ $s(i) = (\gamma_{\text{H}}/\gamma_{\text{D}}) \times ^1J(^{13}\text{C}, ^2\text{H})/500$, with $\gamma_{\text{H}}/\gamma_{\text{D}} = 6.5144$.⁹⁾ A graphical representation of the results (Table 1) is given in Fig. 1.¹⁰⁾

Our data clearly demonstrate that a linear correlation between $^1\Delta(^{13}\text{C})$ and the fractional s-character of the corresponding CD bond hybrid exists for compounds

Table 1. One-bond $^2\text{H}/^1\text{H}$ ^{13}C NMR Isotope Shifts (ppb, exp. error ± 0.5), ^{13}C , ^2H Coupling Constants (Hz, exp. error ± 0.03), and Calculated Fractional s-Character of 1 - 6

	$\text{H}_3\text{C}-\text{CH}_2\text{D}$	$\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{CHD}$	$\text{HC}\equiv\text{CD}$	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_5-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2\text{D}$	$\begin{array}{c} \text{C}_6\text{H}_5 \\ \\ \text{C}=\text{C} \\ / \quad \backslash \\ \text{H} \quad \text{D} \end{array}$	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_5-\text{C}\equiv\text{CD}$
	1	2	3	4	5	6
$^1\Delta(^{13}\text{C})$	284.0	273.6	226.7	296.0	283.2	252.7
$^1J(^{13}\text{C}, ^2\text{H})$	19.23	23.95	37.97	19.40	24.55	38.45
$s(i)$	0.250	0.312	0.495	0.253	0.320	0.501

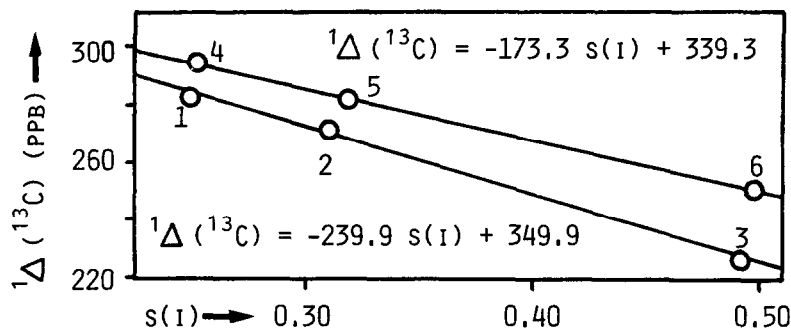


Fig. 1. Correlation between ^{13}C NMR isotope shifts over one bond, $^1\Delta(^{13}\text{C})$ (ppb), and the fractional s -character of the corresponding CD bond hybrid in 1 - 6 (data from Table 1).

of closely related structure. The different slopes and intercepts obtained for 1 - 3 and 4 - 6, respectively, (Fig. 1) are - at least in part - a consequence of the different temperatures, solvents, and concentrations used,¹¹⁾ but the effect of phenyl-substitution in 4 - 6 is certainly a major factor. The strong influence that structural variations have on $^1\Delta(^{13}\text{C})$ is most convincingly demonstrated by the fact that methane ($^1\Delta(^{13}\text{C}) = 187.0$ ppb¹²⁾ does not fit into the correlation since it lacks an α -carbon substituent.¹³⁾ Empirical correlations like the above equations are thus less general than the Muller-Pritchard relation for $^1J(^{13}\text{C}, ^1\text{H})$ coupling constants.

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