

Just placed sample in magnetic field ("infinite" spin temperature)

Sample at thermal equilibrium in magnetic field (relaxed)



Einstein, A. (1916). "Zur Quantentheorie der Strahlung". Mitteilungen der Physikalischen Gessellschaft Zürich. 18: 47–62. "quantum theory of radiation"

Einstein coefficients: spontaneous emission



Spontaneous emission does not occur in NMR. Only stimulated emission and absorption

600Mhz 6x10^-6 Kcal/mol 500 Thz (green light) ~53 kcal/mol







Rotational correlation time (τ_c) is the average time it takes for a molecule to rotate one radian.



Relaxation mechanisms

- Dipole-dipole
 - interaction between magnetic dipoles
- Chemical shift anisotropy
 - non-spherical electron environment
- Quadrupolar
 - nuclei with spins > $\frac{1}{2}$, oblong shape nucleus
- Scalar relaxation of the 1st kind
 - Chemical exchange
- Scalar relaxation of the 2nd kind
 - scalar coupling to quadrupolar nucleus
- Spin-rotation
 - changes in rotational angular momentum
 - usually only in small molecules in gas phase







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Quadrupolar relaxation Nuclei with spin >1/2

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Scalar relaxation of the 2nd kind



Spin-rotation relaxation

H H H B B changes as the rate of rotation changes

· Small molecules, or freely spinning portions of larger molecules without other efficient relaxation mechanisms.







Molecule 2





¹⁵N *T*₁ (ms) ¹⁵N T₂ (ms) NESG target (isotope labeling) MW (kDa) τ_c (ns) PsR76A (NC5) 7.2 478.0 128.0 5.10 VfR117 (NC) 11.2 605.0 119.0 6.30 12.4 630.0 104.0 7.10 SyR11 (NC5) 15.8 10.0 ER541-37-162 (NC5) 729.0 66.5 ER540 (NC5) 18.8 909.0 66.5 11.3 SoR190 (NC) 13.8 697.5 100.9 7.70 TR80 (NC5) 10.5 612.8 102.9 7.00 Ubiquitin (NC) 9.0 441.8 144.6 4.40 HR2873B (NC) 10.7 492.0 115.0 5.70 B-domain (NC) 7.2 423.5 153.3 4.05 BcR97A (NC) 13.1 705.8 80.6 8.80 PfR193A (NC) 13.6 733.9 80.9 9.00 MvR76 (NC) 20.2 1015.0 64.5 12.2 DvR115G (NC) 10.9 608.7 115.6 6.50 MrR110B (NC5) 11.8 707.0 99.2 7.80 VpR247 (NC5) 12.5 661.2 88.3 8.05 11.9 645.0 104.0 7.20 BcR147A (NC) WR73 (NC5) 21.9 1261.0 * 41.3 * 13.0 NsR431C (NC5) 16.8 855.5 71.2 10.6 StR82 (NC) 9.2 537.3 100.4 6.6

Average $t_c = 0.613$ *MW







Spectral densities



Relaxation

Rate=Constants * "mechanism" * correlation function

For pure Dipole-dipole:

$$R = \frac{\hbar^2 \gamma_H^2 \gamma_N^2}{4r_{HN}^6} * [J(\omega_H - \omega_N) + 3J(\omega_N) + 6J(\omega_H + \omega_N)]$$

$$J(\omega) = \frac{\tau_c}{1 + \omega^2 \tau_c^2}$$

$$\tau_c \text{ is the correlation time}$$





More complex internal motion (e.g. 2 or more internal motions)

$$C_{\rm I}(t) = \mathbf{S}^2 + (1 - \mathbf{S}_f^2) e^{-t/\tau_f} + (\mathbf{S}_f^2 - \mathbf{S}^2) e^{-t/\tau_s}$$

Be Cautious: If τ_f if close to τ_s (within a order of magnitude or so), then the values may not be distinguishable due to noise



Coherence order $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{der} \\ 0 \end{array} & \left< \mathbf{I}_z \right> \quad \left< \mathbf{S}_z \right> \quad \left< \mathbf{I}_z \mathbf{S}_z \right> \end{array}$ 1 $\langle I_x \rangle \langle I_y \rangle \langle S_x \rangle \langle S_y \rangle$ $1 \quad \langle I_z S_x \rangle \quad \langle I_z S_y \rangle \quad \langle I_x S_z \rangle \quad \langle I_y S_z \rangle$ ^{0,2} $\langle I_x S_x \rangle \langle I_x S_y \rangle \langle I_y S_x \rangle \langle I_y S_y \rangle$

HN relaxation depends on 5 frequencies

$$J(0)$$

$$J(\omega_{H})$$

$$J(\omega_{N})$$

$$J(\omega_{H} + \omega_{N})$$

$$J(\omega_{H} - \omega_{N})$$

Autorelaxation ^{a,b}	J(0)	$J(\omega_S)$	$J(\omega_l - \omega_S)$	$J(\omega_l)$	$J(\omega_l + \omega_S)$	$ ho_{ m L}$	$ ho_{T}$
Single-quantum heteronucleus							
$R_{S}(S_{z})$	0	3d + c	d	0	6 <i>d</i>	0	0
$R_{\rm S}(S_{\rm x})$	2d + (2c/3)	(3d + c)/2	d/2	3 <i>d</i>	3 <i>d</i>	0	0
Single-quantum proton							
$R_I(I_r)$	0	0	d	3 <i>d</i>	6 <i>d</i>	1	0
$R_I(I_x)$	2 <i>d</i>	3 <i>d</i>	d/2	3 <i>d</i> /2	3 <i>d</i>	0	1
Longitudinal two-spin order							
$R_{IS}(2I,S_{\gamma})$	0	3d + c	0	3 <i>d</i>	0	1	0
Single-quantum antiphase coherence							
$R_{IS}(2I_2S_x)$	2d + (2c/3)	(3d + c)/2	d/2	0	3 <i>d</i>	1	0
$R_{IS}(2I_xS_z)$	2d	С	d/2	3 <i>d</i> /2	3 <i>d</i>	0	1
Pure double-quantum coherence							
$R_{IS}(2I_1S_1)$	2c/3	(3d + c)/2	0	3d/2	6 <i>d</i>	0	1
Pure difference-quantum coherence							
$R_{IS}(2I_1S_{-1})$	2 <i>c</i> /3	(3d + c)/2	d	3 <i>d</i> /2	0	0	1

TABLE I IS SPIN SYSTEM AUTORELAXATION RATES

^{*a*} Autorelaxation rate = $[\Sigma_i^{\text{cols}} (\text{weight})_i J(\omega_i)] + (\text{weight } \rho_L)\rho_L + (\text{weight } \rho_T)\rho_T$.

^b Constants are $d = \hbar^2 \gamma_I^2 \gamma_S^2 / 4r_{IS}^6$, $c = \Omega_S^2 \Delta_S^2 / 3$, and expressions are in cgs units.

Peng, J. W., & Wagner, G. (1994). Nuclear Magnetic Resonance, Part C. Meth. Enzymol., 239(1987), 563–596. https://doi.org/10.1016/S0076-6879(94)39022-3

TABLE II IS SPIN SYSTEM CROSS-RELAXATION RATES												
Cross-relaxation ^{a,b}	J(0)	$J(\omega_S)$	$J(\omega_l - \omega_S)$	$J(\omega_l)$	$J(\omega_I + \omega_S)$	σĹ	σ_{T}^{i}					
Heteronuclear dipole	ar cross-r	elaxation										
$R_{S}(I_{z} \leftrightarrow S_{z})$	0	0	-d	0	6 <i>d</i>	0	0					
Proton longitudinal of	cross-rela	xation (N	OE) ^c									
$R_{I}(I_{z} \leftrightarrow A_{z}^{i})$	0	0	0	0	0	1	0					
Proton transverse cr	oss-relax	ation (RO	E) ^c									
$R_I(I_x \leftrightarrow A_x^i)$	0	0	0	0	0	0	1					
CSA-dipolar cross-c	orrelated	cross-rela	axation									
$R_{S}(S. \leftrightarrow 2I.S.)$	0	K	0	0	0	0	0					
$R_s(S_x \leftrightarrow 2I_z S_x)$	2 <i>K</i> /3	K/2	0	0	0	0	0					

"Constants are $d = \hbar^2 \gamma_I^2 \gamma_S^2 / 4r_{IS}^6$, $c = \Omega_S^2 \Delta_S^2 / 3$, and $K = \hbar \gamma_I \gamma_S \Omega_S \Delta_S \langle P_2(\cos \Phi) \rangle / r_{IS}^3$, and expressions are in cgs units.

^b Cross-rate = $[\Sigma_{i}^{cols}(weight)_{i}J(\omega_{i})] + (weight \sigma_{L}^{i})\sigma_{L}^{i} + (weight \sigma_{T}^{i})\sigma_{T}^{i}$. ^c $\sigma_{L}^{i} = (\hbar^{2}\gamma_{i}^{4}/4r_{IA^{i}}^{6}) \{6J_{IA^{i}}(2\omega_{I}) - J_{IA^{i}}(0)\}, \sigma_{T}^{i} = (\hbar^{2}\gamma_{I}^{4}/4r_{IA^{i}}^{6}) \{2J_{IA^{i}}(0) + 3J_{IA^{i}}(\omega_{I})\}.$



R1,R2,HetNOE Used for model free

$$\begin{split} R_{\rm N}(N_z) &= \frac{\gamma_{\rm H^N}^2 \gamma_{\rm N}^2 \hbar^2}{4r_{\rm NH^N}^6} \left\{ J(\omega_{\rm H^N} - \omega_{\rm N}) + 3J(\omega_{\rm N}) \right. \\ &+ 6J(\omega_{\rm H^N} + \omega_{\rm N}) \right\} + \frac{\Delta^2 \omega_{\rm N}^2}{3} J(\omega_{\rm N}) \\ R_{\rm N}(N_{x,y}) &= \frac{\gamma_{\rm H^N}^2 \gamma_{\rm N}^2 \hbar^2}{8r_{\rm NH^N}^6} \left\{ 4J(0) + J(\omega_{\rm H^N} - \omega_{\rm N}) + 3J(\omega_{\rm N}) + 6J(\omega_{\rm H^N}) \right. \\ &+ 6J(\omega_{\rm H^N} + \omega_{\rm N}) \right\} + \frac{\Delta^2 \omega_{\rm N}^2}{3} \left\{ \frac{2}{3} J(0) + \frac{1}{2} J(\omega_{\rm N}) \right\} \\ R_{\rm N}({\rm H}_z^{\rm N} \rightarrow {\rm N}_z) &= \frac{\gamma_{\rm H^N}^2 \gamma_{\rm N}^2 \hbar^2}{4r_{\rm NH^N}^6} \left\{ 6J(\omega_{\rm H^N} + \omega_{\rm N}) - J(\omega_{\rm H^N} - \omega_{\rm N}) \right\}. \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} R_{\rm NH}(2{\rm H}_z^{\rm N}{\rm N}_z) &= \frac{\gamma_{\rm H}^2 \gamma_{\rm N}^2 \hbar^2}{4r_{\rm NH^N}^6} \left\{ 3J(\omega_{\rm N}) + 3J(\omega_{\rm H^N}) \right\} + \frac{\Delta^2 \omega_{\rm N}^2}{3} J(\omega_{\rm N}) + \rho_{\rm H^NH^4} \\ R_{\rm NH}(2{\rm H}_z^{\rm N}{\rm N}_{x,y}) &= \frac{\gamma_{\rm H^N}^2 \gamma_{\rm N}^2 \hbar^2}{8r_{\rm NH^N}^6} \left\{ 4J(0) + J(\omega_{\rm H^N} - \omega_{\rm N}) \right. \\ &+ 3J(\omega_{\rm N}) + 6J(\omega_{\rm H^N} + \omega_{\rm N}) \right\} + \frac{\Delta^2 \omega_{\rm N}^2}{3} \left\{ \frac{2}{3} J(0) + \frac{1}{2} J(\omega_{\rm N}) \right\} + \rho_{\rm H^NH^4}, \end{split}$$

$$R_{\rm H}({\rm H}_z^{\rm N}) = \frac{\gamma_{\rm H}^2 \gamma_{\rm N}^2 \hbar^2}{4r_{\rm NH^{\rm N}}^6} \left\{ J(\omega_{\rm H^{\rm N}} - \omega_{\rm N}) + 3J(\omega_{\rm H^{\rm N}}) + 6J(\omega_{\rm H^{\rm N}} + \omega_{\rm N}) \right\} + \rho_{\rm H^{\rm N}H^{\rm i}}.$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} R_{N}(N_{z}) \\ R_{N}(N_{x,y}) \\ R_{N}(2H_{z}^{N}N_{x,y}) \\ R_{NH}(2H_{z}^{N}N_{x,y}) \\ R_{NH}(2H_{z}^{N}N_{z}) \\ R_{H}(H_{z}^{N}) \\ R_{N}(H_{z}^{N} \rightarrow N_{z}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & d & 3d + c & 0 & 6d & 0 \\ \frac{6d + 2c}{3} & \frac{d}{2} & \frac{3d + c}{2} & 3d & 3d & 0 \\ \frac{6d + 2c}{3} & \frac{d}{2} & \frac{3d + c}{2} & 0 & 3d & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 3d + c & 3d & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -d & 0 & 3d & 6d & 1 \\ 0 & -d & 0 & 0 & 6d & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} J(0) \\ J(\omega_{H^{N}} - \omega_{N}) \\ J(\omega_{H^{N}}) \\ J(\omega_{H^{N}} + \omega_{N}) \\ \rho_{H^{N}H^{i}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$J(0) = \frac{3}{4} \frac{1}{3d+c} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} R_{\rm N}({\rm N}_z) + R_{\rm N}({\rm N}_{x,y}) + R_{\rm NH}(2{\rm H}_z^{\rm N}{\rm N}_{x,y}) - \frac{1}{2} R_{\rm H}({\rm H}_z^{\rm N}) - \frac{1}{2} R_{\rm H}({\rm H}_z^{\rm N}) - \frac{1}{2} R_{\rm H}({\rm H}_z^{\rm N}) \right\}$$

$$J(\omega_{\mathrm{H}^{\mathrm{N}}} - \omega_{\mathrm{N}}) = \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{d} \left\{ R_{\mathrm{N}}(\mathrm{N}_{z}) - R_{\mathrm{NH}}(2\mathrm{H}_{z}^{\mathrm{N}}\mathrm{N}_{z}) + R_{\mathrm{H}}(\mathrm{H}_{z}^{\mathrm{N}}) - 2R_{\mathrm{N}}(\mathrm{H}_{z}^{\mathrm{N}} \rightarrow \mathrm{N}_{z}) \right\}$$

$$J(\omega_{\rm N}) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{3d+c} \left\{ R_{\rm N}({\rm N}_z) + R_{\rm NH}(2{\rm H}_z^{\rm N}{\rm N}_z) - R_{\rm H}({\rm H}_z^{\rm N}) \right\}$$

$$J(\omega_{\rm H^N}) = \frac{1}{12} \frac{1}{d} \left\{ -R_{\rm N}(N_z) + 2R_{\rm N}(N_{x,y}) - 2R_{\rm NH}(2H_z^{\rm N}N_{x,y}) + R_{\rm H}(2H_z^{\rm N}N_z) + R_{\rm H}(H_z^{\rm N}) \right\}$$

$$J(\omega_{\mathrm{H}^{\mathrm{N}}} + \omega_{\mathrm{N}}) = \frac{1}{24} \frac{1}{d} \left\{ R_{\mathrm{N}}(\mathrm{N}_{z}) - R_{\mathrm{NH}}(2\mathrm{H}_{z}^{\mathrm{N}}N_{z}) + R_{\mathrm{H}}(\mathrm{H}_{z}^{\mathrm{N}}) + 2R_{\mathrm{N}}(\mathrm{H}_{z}^{\mathrm{N}} \rightarrow \mathrm{N}_{z}) \right\}.$$

$$\rho_{\mathrm{H}^{\mathrm{N}}\mathrm{H}^{i}} = \left\{-\frac{1}{4}R_{\mathrm{N}}(\mathrm{N}_{z}) - \frac{1}{2}R_{\mathrm{N}}(\mathrm{N}_{x,y}) + \frac{1}{2}R_{\mathrm{N}\mathrm{H}}(2\mathrm{H}_{z}^{\mathrm{N}}\mathrm{N}_{x,y}) + \frac{1}{4}R_{\mathrm{H}}(\mathrm{H}_{z}^{\mathrm{N}})\right\} + \frac{1}{4}R_{\mathrm{N}\mathrm{H}}(2\mathrm{H}_{z}^{\mathrm{N}}\mathrm{N}_{z}) + \frac{1}{4}R_{\mathrm{H}}(\mathrm{H}_{z}^{\mathrm{N}})\right\}$$



$$\frac{d(S_z)}{dt} = -R_S(S_z) \left\langle \left\langle \left\langle S_z - S_z^0 \right\rangle \right\rangle \right\rangle - R_{IS}(S_z \leftrightarrow I_z) \left\langle \left\langle I_z - I_z^0 \right\rangle \right\rangle - R_{IS}(S_z \leftrightarrow 2I_z S_z) \left\langle 2I_z S_z \right\rangle <5\% R_S(S_z)$$
More serious

 $(S_z \leftrightarrow I_z)$ - heteronuclear dipole - dipole cross relaxation $(S_z \leftrightarrow 2I_z S_z)$ - cross relaxation due to heteronuclear *CSA* - dipole cross correlation



- Need to keep I_{2} and $2I_{2}S_{2}$ terms constant or zero.
- Initial saturation via 2 long pulses (double components of S_z remain equal and crosscorrelation removed)
- Saturation maintained by pulse train of hard 90 pulses
 - could be achieved with proton broadband decoupling
- Saturation forces peak intensity to that of hetNOE





 $\pi J_{IS} \langle 2I_z S_y \rangle$ - heteronuclear bond scalar coupling $(S_x \leftrightarrow 2I_z S_x) \langle 2I_z S_x \rangle$ - cross relaxation due to heteronuclear *CSA* - dipole cross correlation



- Continuous wave spin lock along x axis effectively kills the J_{LS} term
 - CPMG could be used
- Cross-correlation due to CSA-DD is suppressed by inserting 180 proton pulses in spin lock
- Off resonance effects will effect the relaxation rate since the spin lock axis is tilted toward the Z axis as a function of off resonance



Dipole-Dipole/CSA relaxation interference



In relaxation, the interactions are squared averages.

For 2 relaxation interactions, A & B that have the same symmetry, the square contains cross terms. $R^{-1} \propto (A+B)^2 = A^2 + 2AB + B^2$

Relaxation interference

S relaxation due to cross-correlation





Heteronuclear NOE



$$\frac{dM_{1z}}{dt} = -\rho_1 \Delta M_{1z} - \sigma \Delta M_{2z}$$
$$\frac{dM_{2z}}{dt} = -\sigma \Delta M_{1z} - \rho_2 \Delta M_{2z}$$





- I_{sat} with T = several seconds
- T_{eq} with T=0
- Solvent saturation can complicate this measurement- especially if relaxation delay too short
 - Amides remain partially saturated and underestimate the the equilibrium S_z
 - Relaxation delays rely on S spin polarization longer relaxation delay required







- Rates significantly faster than single operators (S_{2}, S_{x}) due to H relaxation
- Proton-proton cross relaxation couples the relaxation to with spins external to IS
 - Essentially driven by $J_{IAI}(0)$
- CSA-DD cross correlation causes cross-relaxation to the in-phase components $(I_zS_z->S_x)$
 - Generally these rates are significantly smaller than the antiphase rates

$$\mathbf{G} \xrightarrow{\mathbf{R}_{H}(\mathbf{H}_{z}^{N})}_{\mathbf{X}} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}_{2}}_{\mathbf{A}_{2}} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}_{2}}_{\mathbf{A}_{2}} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}_{2}}_{\mathbf{A}_{2}} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}_{2}}_{\mathbf{A}_{2}} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}_{2}}_{\mathbf{A}_{2}} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}_{2}}_{\mathbf{A}_{2}} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}_{2}}_{\mathbf{A}_{2}} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}_{2}}_{\mathbf{A}_{2}} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}_{2}}_{\mathbf{A}_{2}} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}_{2}}_{\mathbf{D}} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}_{2}} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}_{2}}_{\mathbf{D}} \underbrace$$



- Proton I, has a significant effect on the auto- and cross-relaxation rates of the anti-phase states
- Contains IS D-D interaction and many proton-proton D-D interactions
- Heteronuclear D-D relaxation is smaller than homonuclear D-D
- Reduce proton-proton DD cross relaxation
 - only S bound H inverted during relaxation (all non-bound H flipped to +z)
 - S bound H are inverted after S frequency labeling
 - Measure buildup in linear region (short times)

$I_{x}S_{x} = (I^{+} + I^{-}) * (S^{+} + S^{-})$ = I^{+}S^{+} + I^{+}S^{-} + I^{-}S^{+} + I^{-}S^{-}

Measurement of multiple quantum is an average of double and zero quantum relaxation Proton-proton DD strong J(0) causes rapid decay In general, difficult to measure