

Chem 342 • Organic Chemistry II

Lecture Summary 03 - 21 Jan 2009

Chapter 13 - Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy

¹H NMR Spectroscopy

We can get similar information from proton NMR that we get from carbon NMR, but there is additional information that we can glean.

We can see the number of chemically different hydrogens.

We can get the relative ratio of the protons by integration of the area under the peaks.

We can tell how many hydrogens are neighboring each resonance through spin-spin splitting (coupling)

Chemical shifts tell us about functional groups.

Most proton resonances show up between 0-10 ppm.



Spin-Spin splitting occurs because each proton feels an influence of the neighboring proton spin states. Peaks will be splint into n+1 peaks, where n is the number of H's.



An example of splitting with two neighboring H's.



An example of splitting with three neighboring H's.



The relative size of the peaks in a split resonance follows Pascal's triangle.



H_a will split into 7 peaks

64 different combinations of 6 spins



singlet 1 doublet 1 1 triplet 1 2 1 quartet 1 3 3 1 quintet 1 4 6 4 1 sextet 1 5 10 10 5 1 septet 1 6 15 20 15 6 1

Summary of simple spin-spin splitting

Proton resonances split into n+1 peaks

Relative ratio of peaks depends on the number of spin states of the neighbor - and follows Pascal's Triangle.

Adjacent protons couple with the same coupling constant (J).

Protons farther away than one carbon do not usually couple

Chemically equivalent protons, even on adjacent carbons, cannot couple. (eg. CI-CH₂CH₂-CI)

