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# The produkt operator formalism (The "PROF")

## The „PROF“

The „PROF“ is a quantummechanical description of NMR-experiments based on the density matrix formalism

In the same way as quantum mechanics it can be introduced in an axiomatic way and does then consist of a set of rules

O.W. Sørensen et al.

*Prog. NMR. Spectrosc. 16, 163-192 (1983)*

## The „PROF“

When using those rules the mathematics mainly consists of simple trigonometry and addition/subtraction. It is far more important to keep track of the calculations in order not make trivial mistakes.

trigonometric formula

(1)

$$\cos^2\alpha + \sin^2\alpha = 1$$

$$\sin^2\alpha = 2 \sin\alpha \cos\alpha$$

$$\cos^2\alpha = \cos 2\alpha - \sin 2\alpha$$

$$\exp \pm i\alpha = \cos \alpha \pm i \sin \alpha$$

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$$\sin(\alpha+\beta) = \sin\alpha \cos\beta + \cos\alpha \sin\beta$$

$$\sin(\alpha-\beta) = \sin\alpha \cos\beta - \cos\alpha \sin\beta$$

$$\cos(\alpha+\beta) = \cos\alpha \cos\beta - \sin\alpha \sin\beta$$

$$\cos(\alpha-\beta) = \cos\alpha \cos\beta + \sin\alpha \sin\beta$$

trigonometric  
formula (2)

$$\sin\alpha \cos\beta = \frac{1}{2} [\sin(\alpha+\beta) + \sin(\alpha-\beta)]$$

$$\cos\alpha \sin\beta = \frac{1}{2} [\sin(\alpha+\beta) - \sin(\alpha-\beta)]$$

$$\cos\alpha \cos\beta = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(\alpha+\beta) + \cos(\alpha-\beta)]$$

$$\sin\alpha \sin\beta = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(\alpha-\beta) - \cos(\alpha+\beta)]$$

## The „PROF“

In most calculations product operators are expressed  
in cartesian coordinates

At the beginning of an experiment we have  $H_z$

$H_z$

Type of nucleus  
(here hydrogen,  
in more general  
equations  
I or S)

direction  
(here cartesian  
coordinates)

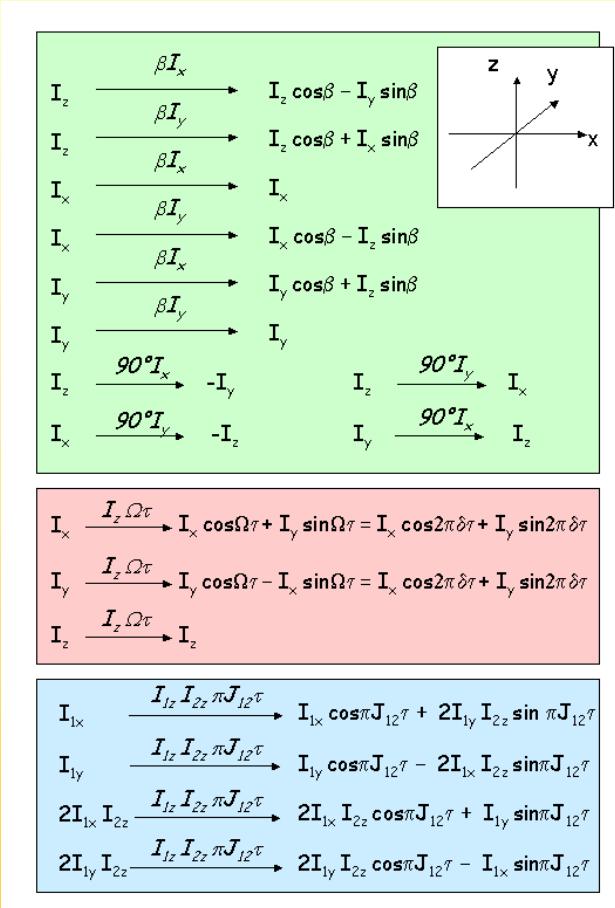
## The „PROF“

$x, y$ -magnetization is then expressed as  $H_x$  or  $H_y$   
or as  $C_x$  and  $C_y$

During a calculation operators of chemical shift or coupling act on the operators that represent magnetization. According to certain rules other operators are thus created.

$$A \xrightarrow{\beta B} C \cos\beta + D \sin\beta$$

# The „PROF“



$$\begin{aligned} \cos 2\alpha + \sin 2\alpha &= 1 \\ \sin 2\alpha &= 2 \sin \alpha \cos \alpha \\ \cos 2\alpha &= \cos 2\alpha - \sin 2\alpha \\ \exp^{\pm i\alpha} &= \cos \alpha \pm i \sin \alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(\alpha + \beta) &= \sin \alpha \cos \beta + \cos \alpha \sin \beta \\ \sin(\alpha - \beta) &= \sin \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \alpha \sin \beta \\ \cos(\alpha + \beta) &= \cos \alpha \cos \beta - \sin \alpha \sin \beta \\ \cos(\alpha - \beta) &= \cos \alpha \cos \beta + \sin \alpha \sin \beta \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sin \alpha \cos \beta &= \frac{1}{2} [\sin(\alpha + \beta) + \sin(\alpha - \beta)] \\ \cos \alpha \sin \beta &= \frac{1}{2} [\sin(\alpha + \beta) - \sin(\alpha - \beta)] \\ \cos \alpha \cos \beta &= \frac{1}{2} [\cos(\alpha + \beta) + \cos(\alpha - \beta)] \\ \sin \alpha \sin \beta &= \frac{1}{2} [\cos(\alpha - \beta) - \cos(\alpha + \beta)] \end{aligned}$$

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## The „PROF“

The name of the operators is derived from the type of magnetization they represent

$H_z$  = longitudinal magnetization

$H_x, H_y$  = in-phase magnetization

$H_{1x}H_{2z}$  = anti-phase magnetization

$H_{1x}H_{2y}$  = multiple quantum magnetization

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transverse magnetization

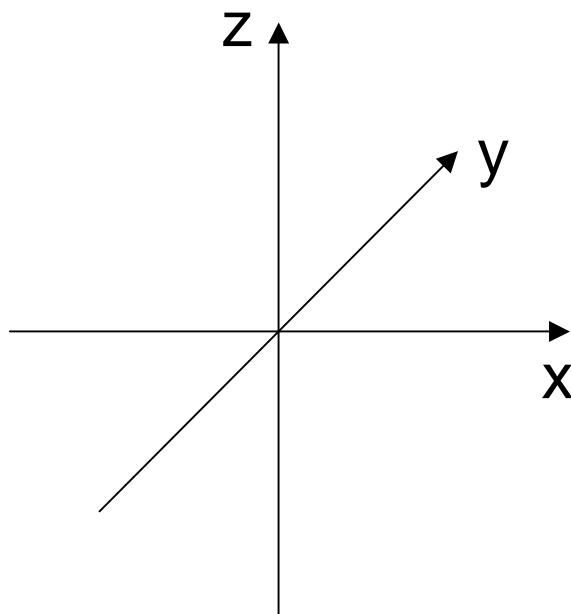
Beside those operators based on cartesian coordinates there are others which are not of interest for now

## The „PROF“

Chemical shift and J-coupling (as long as it is weak coupling) can be calculated independently and in an arbitrary order.

That makes the calculation of „building blocks“ possible: the effect of these building blocks is then known and does not have to be re-calculated in more complex experiments

## The „PROF“



We use a „right-handed“ coordinate system

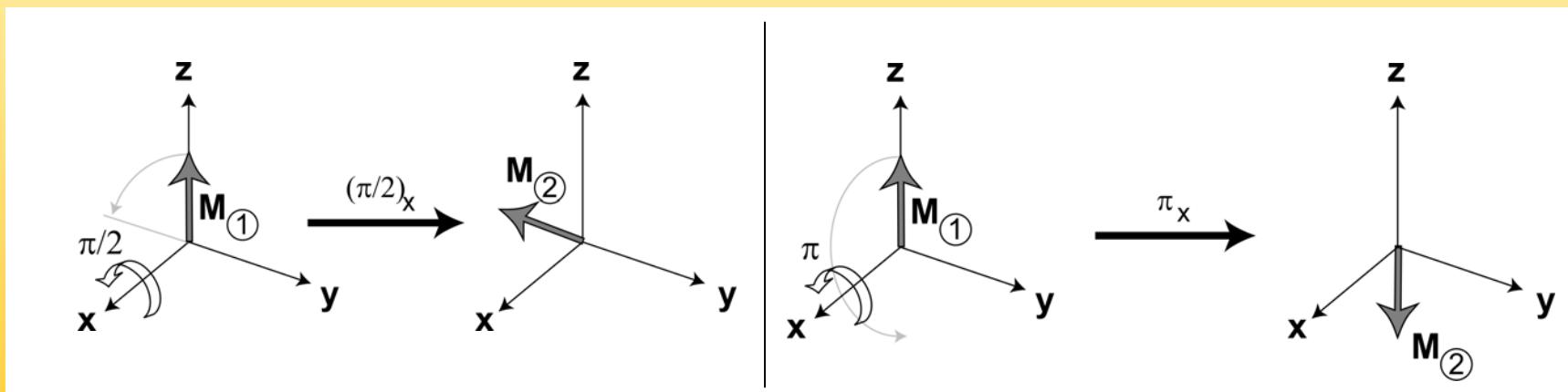


## The „PROF“

RF(radio-frequency)-pulses: the „x-Puls“

Remember:

Using the vector model  $90^\circ$  and  $180^\circ$  pulses hitting  
z-magnetization were described like this



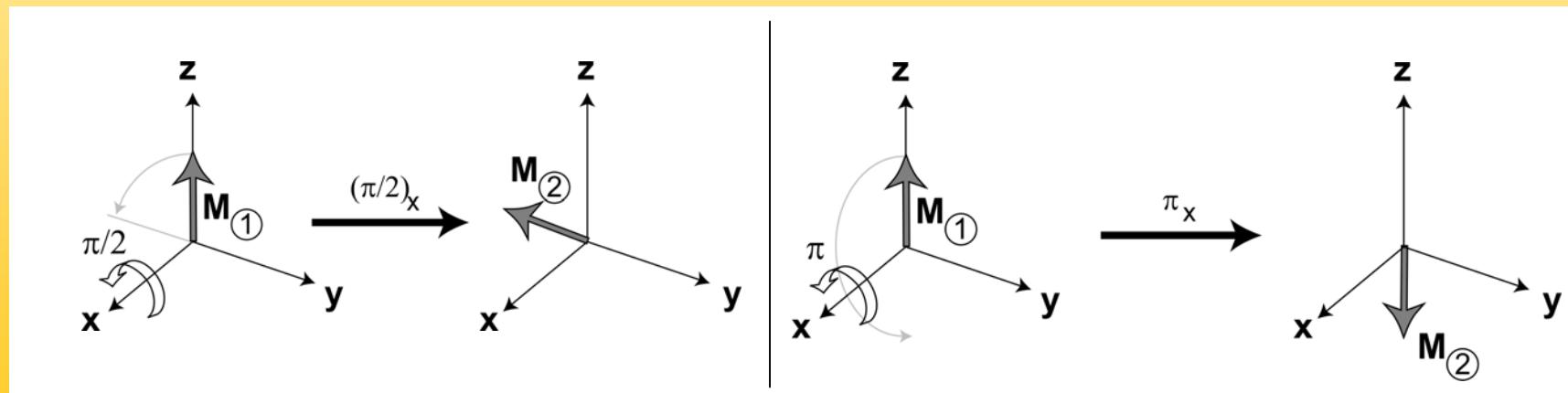
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The rule for the x-pulse looks like that

$$I_z \xrightarrow{\beta I_x} I_z \cos\beta - I_y \sin\beta$$

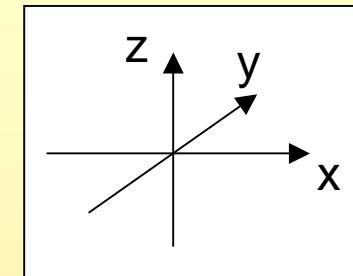
$\beta = 90^\circ: \cos \beta = 0, \sin \beta = 1$ , the result is  $-I_y$

$\beta = 180^\circ: \cos \beta = -1, \sin \beta = 0$ , the result is  $-I_z$



## The „PROF“

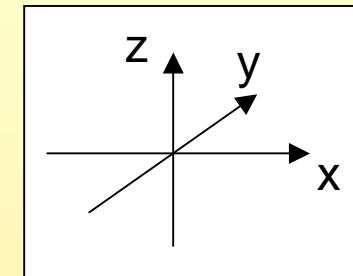
Rules for pulses from other directions  
are then easily derived



$$\begin{array}{l}
 I_z \xrightarrow{\beta I_x} I_z \cos\beta - I_y \sin\beta \\
 I_z \xrightarrow{\beta I_y} I_z \cos\beta + I_x \sin\beta \\
 I_z \xrightarrow{\beta I_{-x}} I_z \cos\beta + I_y \sin\beta \\
 I_z \xrightarrow{\beta I_{-y}} I_z \cos\beta - I_x \sin\beta
 \end{array}$$

## The „PROF“

Pulses do also act on transverse magnetization but not if both point in the same direction

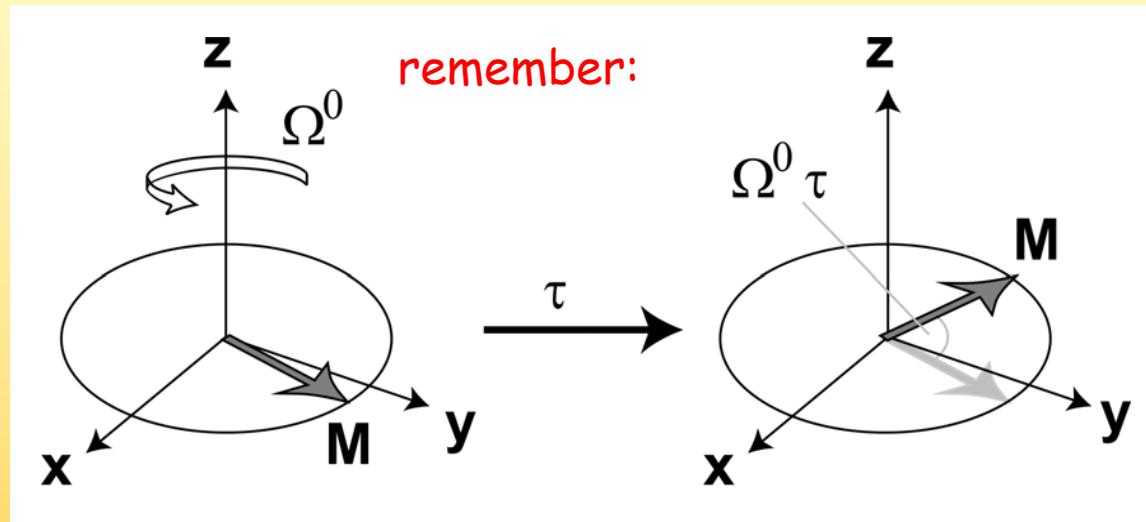


$$\begin{array}{l}
 I_x \xrightarrow{\beta I_y} I_x \cos\beta - I_z \sin\beta \\
 I_y \xrightarrow{\beta I_x} I_y \cos\beta + I_z \sin\beta \\
 I_x \xrightarrow{\beta I_x} I_x \\
 I_y \xrightarrow{\beta I_y} I_y
 \end{array}
 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} I_x \\ I_y \end{array} \right\} \text{no effect !!}$$

# The „PROF“

chemical shift:

chemical shift  $\Omega^0$   
acts for a time  $\tau$



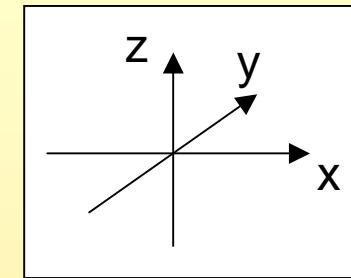
$$I_x \xrightarrow{I_z \Omega^0 \tau} I_x \cos \Omega^0 \tau + I_y \sin \Omega^0 \tau = I_x \cos 2\pi\delta\tau + I_y \sin 2\pi\delta\tau$$

angular frequency  $\Omega^0$

„normal“ frequency  $\delta$  (in hertz)

## The „PROF“

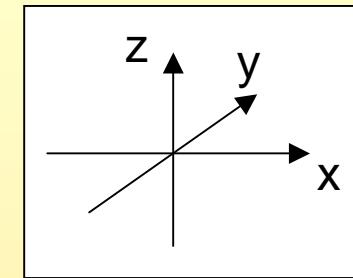
Chemical shift acts only on transverse magnetization,  $I_z$  remains untouched,  
That is why it is sometimes called „z-pulses“



$$\begin{aligned}
 I_x &\xrightarrow{I_z \Omega \tau} I_x \cos \Omega \tau + I_y \sin \Omega \tau \\
 I_y &\xrightarrow{I_z \Omega \tau} I_y \cos \Omega \tau - I_x \sin \Omega \tau \\
 I_z &\xrightarrow{I_z \Omega \tau} I_z
 \end{aligned}$$

## The „PROF“

Scalar coupling leads to operators in which several operators are multiplied with each other: product operators



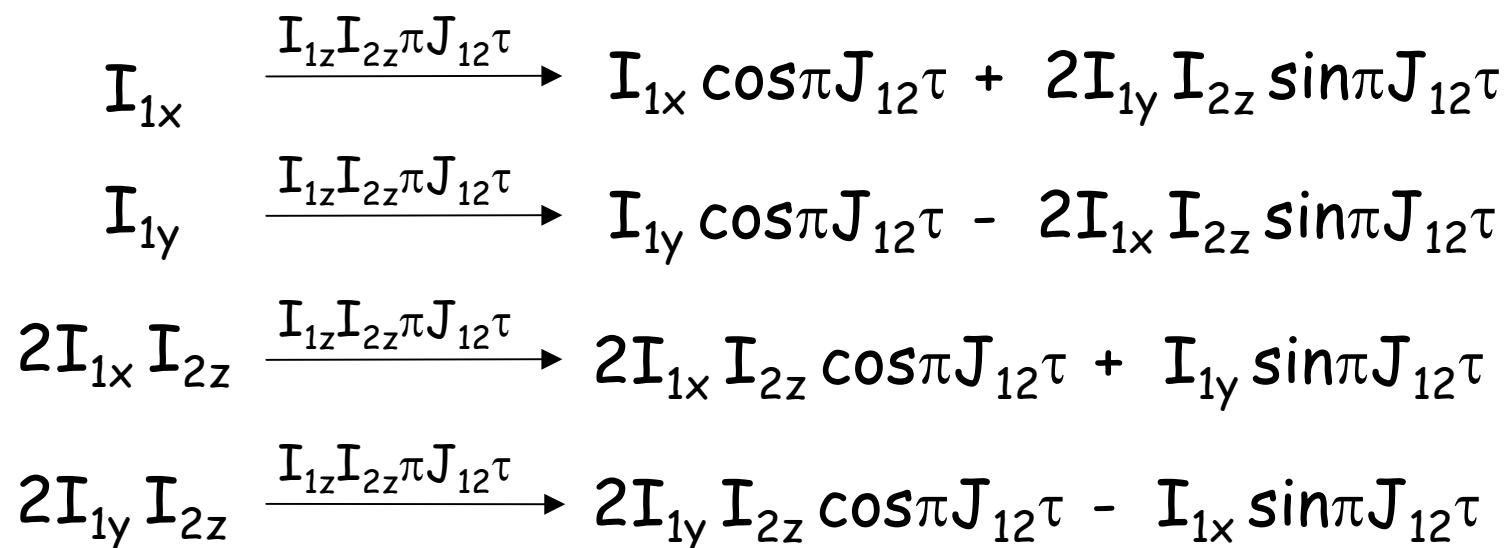
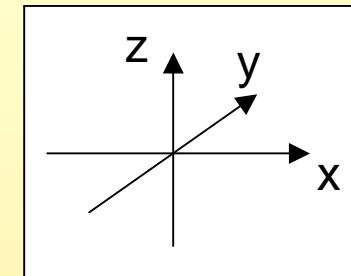
$$I_{1x} \xrightarrow{I_{1z}I_{2z}\pi J_{12}\tau} I_{1x} \cos \pi J_{12}\tau + 2I_{1y}I_{2z} \sin \pi J_{12}\tau$$

in-phase magnetization:  
This part stays untouched

anti-phase magnetization:  
coupling causes an modulation of transverse magnetization due to the coupling partner

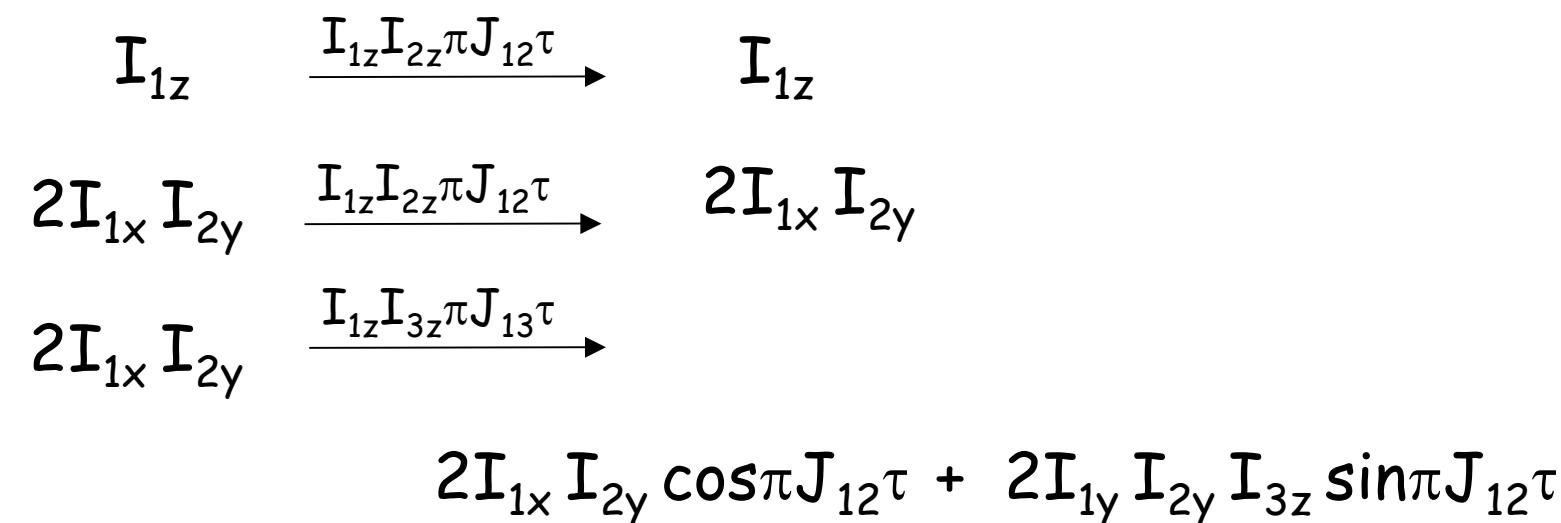
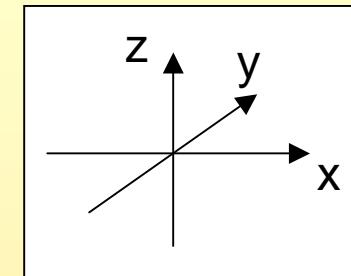
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Scalar coupling acts on various kinds of transverse magnetization....



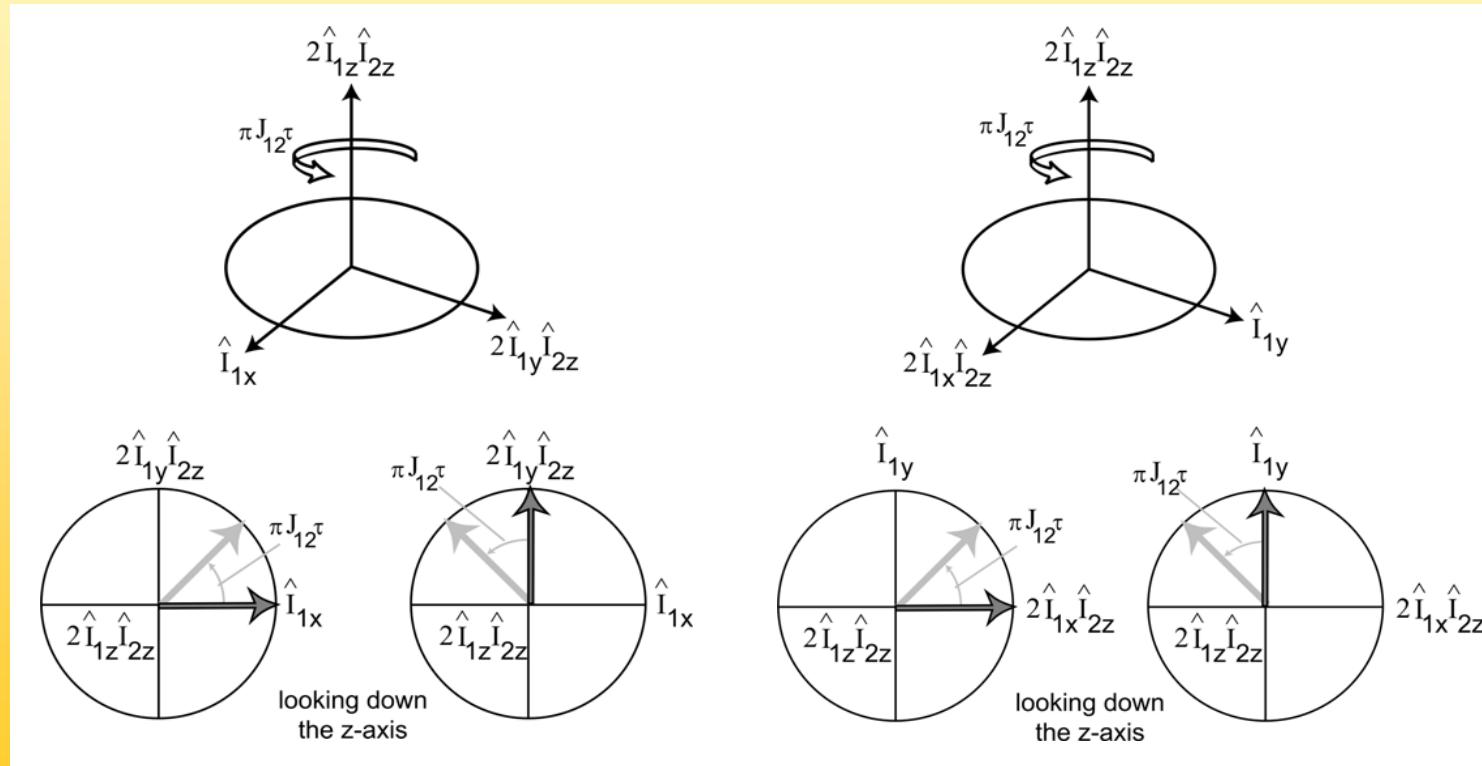
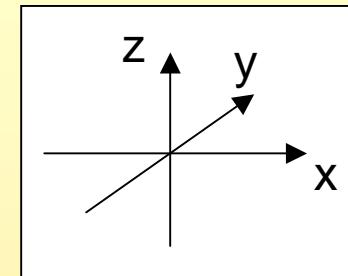
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... but not on longitudinal magnetization or on multiple quantum magnetization



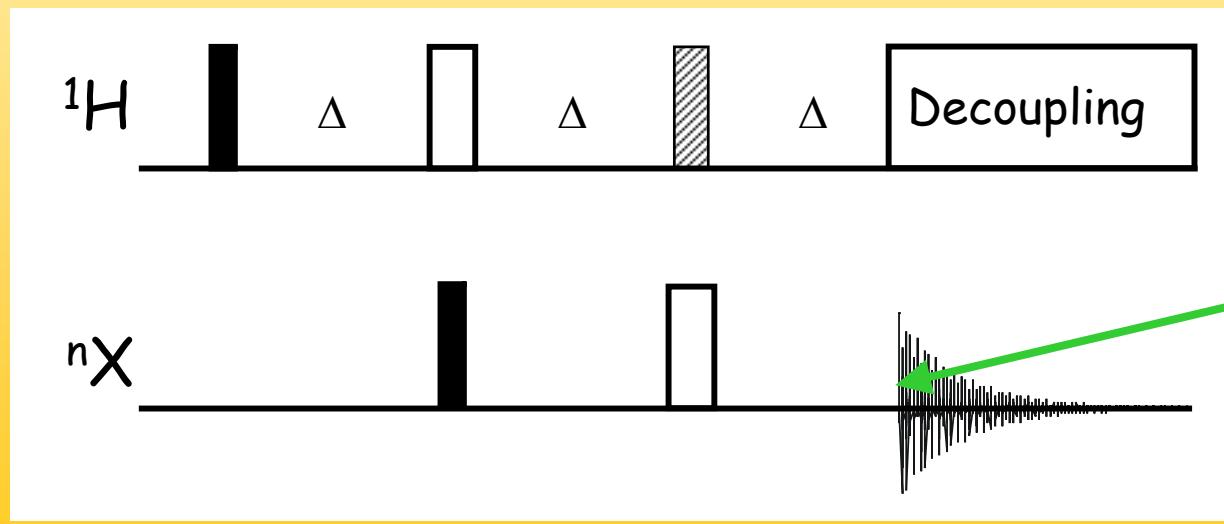
## The „PROF“

The evolution due to scalar coupling can be visualized with cartesian coordinates



## The „PROF“

Aim of the calculation is to derive what happens during a pulse sequence. Then we must ask what types of product operators lead to detectable signals during the acquisition



What is  
present at  
that point that  
is detectable ?

## The „PROF“

Not detectable are longitudinal magnetization ( $I_{1z}$ ) or multiple quantum magnetization (z.B.  $I_{1x}I_{2y}$ ) since the usual selection rules are still valid

Only transverse in-phase ( $I_{1x}$ ) magnetization is detectable, anti-phase magnetization (e.g.  $I_{1x}I_{2z}$ ) can evolve into something detectable during the acquisition time

## The „PROF“

Let us now calculate what results from „in-phase“ magnetization during the acquistion time under the influence of chemical shift and scalar coupling ?

$$I_{1x} \xrightarrow{I_z \Omega_1 t_{aq}} I_{1x} \cos \Omega_1 t_{aq} + I_{1y} \sin \Omega_1 t_{aq}$$

$$\xrightarrow{I_{1z} I_{2z} \pi J_{12} t_{aq}} I_{1x} \cos \Omega_1 t_{aq} \cos \pi J_{12} t_{aq} + \cancel{2 I_{1y} I_{2z} \cos \Omega_1 t_{aq} \sin \pi J_{12} t_{aq}} \\ + I_{1y} \sin \Omega_1 t_{aq} \cos \pi J_{12} t_{aq} - \cancel{2 I_{1x} I_{2z} \sin \Omega_1 t_{aq} \sin \pi J_{12} t_{aq}} \\ = I_{1x} \cos \Omega_1 t_{aq} \cos \pi J_{12} t_{aq} + I_{1y} \sin \Omega_1 t_{aq} \cos \pi J_{12} t_{aq}$$

## The „PROF“

We use  $\Omega_1 = 2\pi\delta_1$  and we get (using our trigonometric formulas)

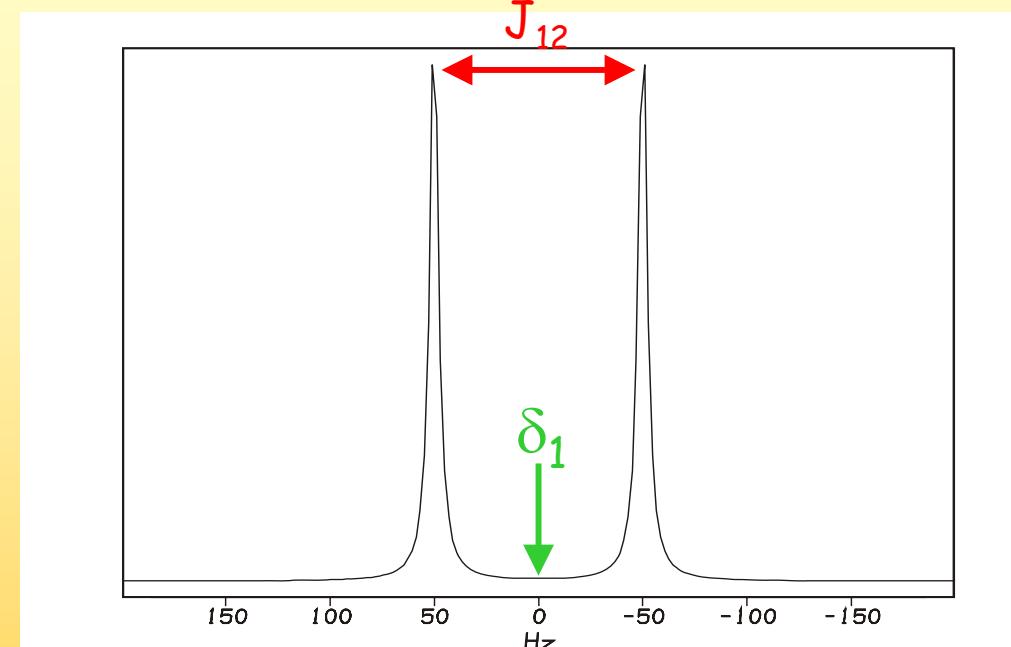
$$I_{1x} \frac{1}{2} [\cos 2\pi(\delta_1 + J_{12}/2)t_{aq} + \cos 2\pi(\delta_1 - J_{12}/2)t_{aq}] \\ + I_{1y} \frac{1}{2} [\sin 2\pi(\delta_1 + J_{12}/2)t_{aq} + \sin 2\pi(\delta_1 - J_{12}/2)t_{aq}] \text{ Imaginärteil!}$$

$$= I_1 \frac{1}{2} [\exp i 2\pi(\delta_1 + J_{12}/2)t_{aq} + \exp i 2\pi(\delta_1 - J_{12}/2)t_{aq}]$$

„in-phase“ magnetization results in two lines with the same sign, separated by  $J$  Hz and centered around  $\delta_1$  Hz

## The „PROF“

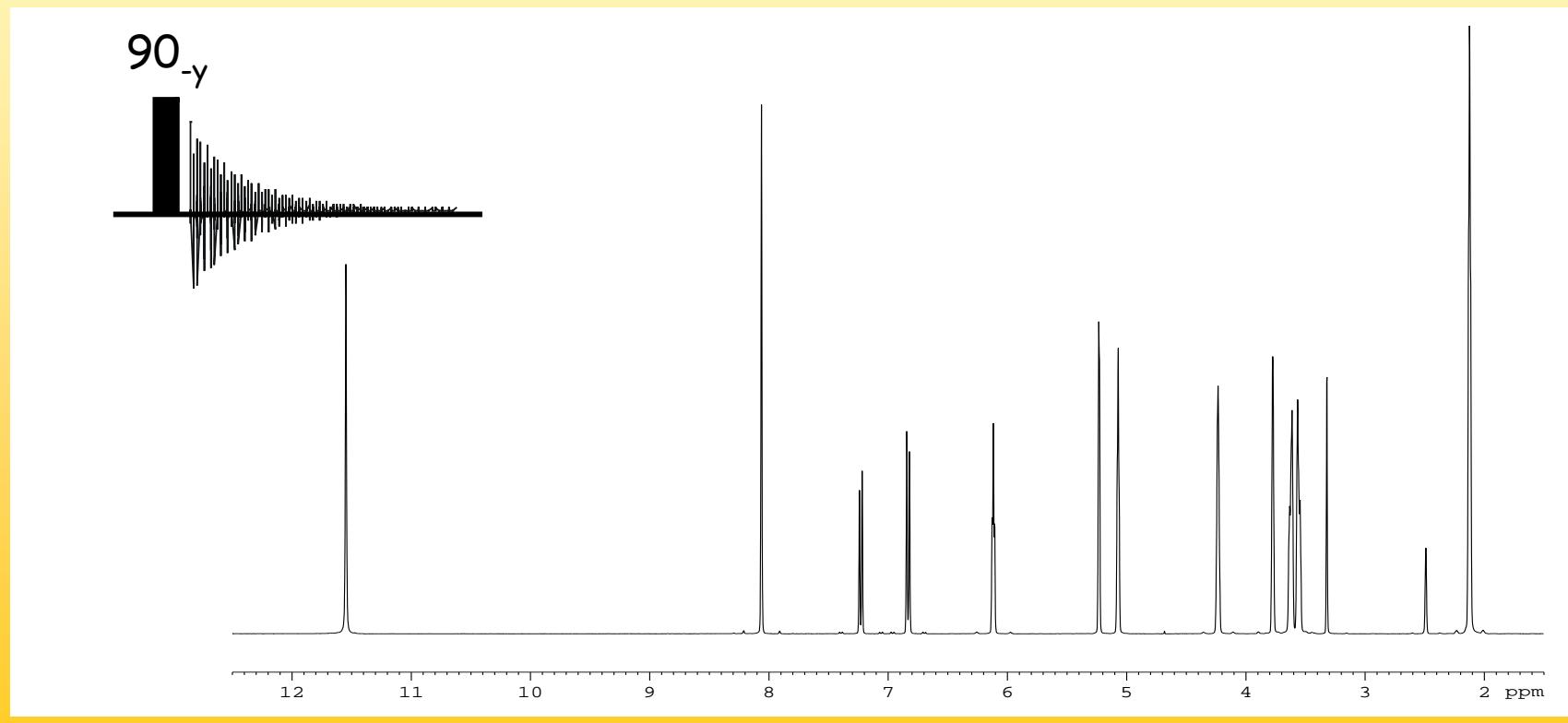
$I_{1x} \equiv$



Hence the name „in-phase“  
magnetization, since the result  
is an in-phase doublet

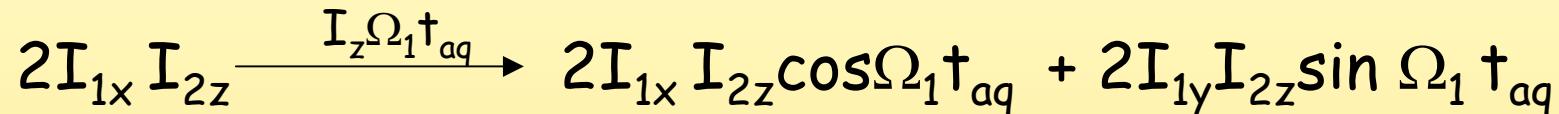
## The „PROF“

This is what we get in a conventional 1D-NMR-experiment



## The „PROF“

How about „anti-phase“ magnetization ?



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \xrightarrow{I_{1z} I_{2z} \pi J_{12} t_{aq}} \\
 & \cancel{2I_{1x} I_{2z} \cos \Omega_1 t_{aq} \cos \pi J_{12} t_{aq} + I_{1y} \cos \Omega_1 t_{aq} \sin \pi J_{12} t_{aq}} \\
 & \quad + \cancel{2I_{1y} I_{2z} \sin \Omega_1 t_{aq} \cos \pi J_{12} t_{aq} - I_{1x} \sin \Omega_1 t_{aq} \sin \pi J_{12} t_{aq}} \\
 & = - I_{1x} \sin \Omega_1 t_{aq} \sin \pi J_{12} t_{aq} + I_{1y} \cos \Omega_1 t_{aq} \sin \pi J_{12} t_{aq}
 \end{aligned}$$

## The „PROF“

Again we use  $\Omega_1 = 2\pi\delta_1$  and get

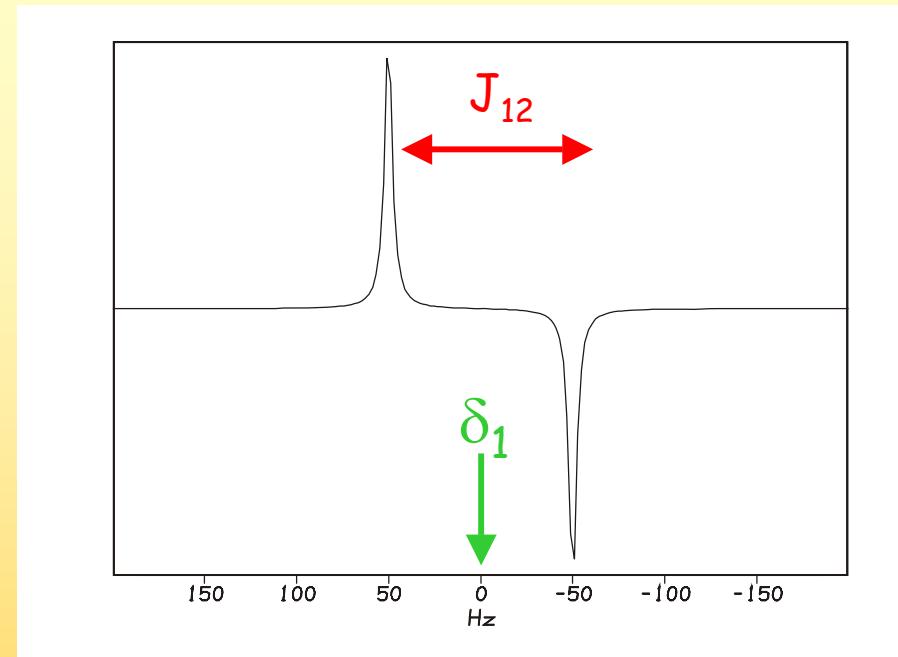
$$I_{1x} \frac{1}{2} [\cos 2\pi(\delta_1 + J_{12}/2)t_{aq} - \cos 2\pi(\delta_1 - J_{12}/2)t_{aq}] \\ + I_{1y} \frac{1}{2} [\sin 2\pi(\delta_1 + J_{12}/2)t_{aq} - \sin 2\pi(\delta_1 - J_{12}/2)t_{aq}] \text{ Imaginärteil!}$$

$$= I_1 \frac{1}{2} [\exp i 2\pi(\delta_1 + J_{12}/2)t_{aq} - \exp i 2\pi(\delta_1 - J_{12}/2)t_{aq}]$$

„anti-phase“ magnetization thus results in two lines with opposite sign, separated by  $J$  Hz and centered around  $\delta_1$  Hz

## The „PROF“

$$2I_{1x}I_{2z} \equiv$$



Hence the name „anti-phase“ magnetization, since we obtain an anti-phase doublet

To create that type of magnetization we need a bit more then just one pulse !!

## The „PROF“

### a first summary

Produkt operators are used for a convinient calculation of complex pulse sequences

Usually the calculation is performed up to the end of the pulse sequence right before the acquistion.

The detectable operators that are present at that point give rise to well know signals during detection.

The calculation thus describes the result of the pulse sequence

## The „PROF“

Since the calculation can get confusing quite quickly  
follow those rules

**rule 1:** calculate carfully, avoid sign or writing  
mistakes

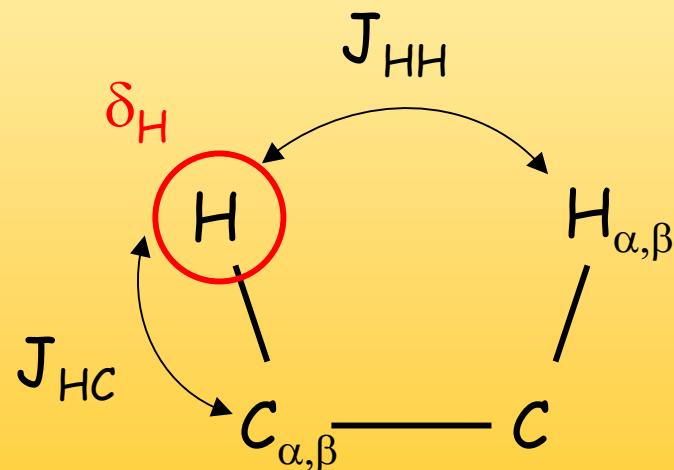
**rule 2:** always try to calculate seperable  
interactions seperately, i.e. chemical shift seperately  
from scalar coupling

**rule 3:** do not re-caclulate "building blocks"

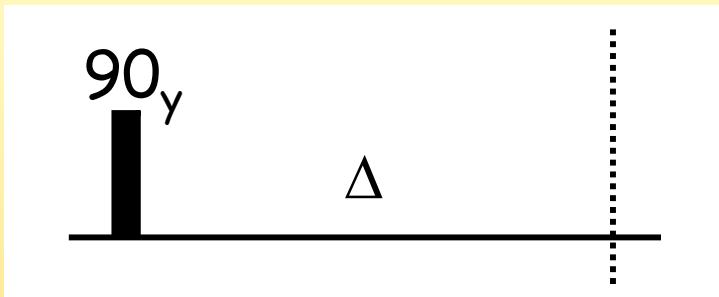
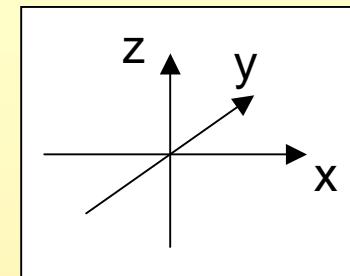
# Building blocks

## Building blocks

Now we know what kind of signals result from the detectable types of magnetization, now we can start to calculate "building blocks"



## Building blocks



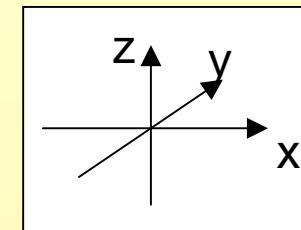
chemical shift:  $\delta_H$

$$H_x \xrightarrow{\delta_H \Delta} H_x \cos \Omega_H \Delta + H_y \sin \Omega_H \Delta$$

$$\xrightarrow{\delta_H t_{aq}} H_x \cos \Omega_H \Delta \cos \Omega_H t_{aq} + H_y \cos \Omega_H \Delta \sin \Omega_H t_{aq}$$

$$H_y \sin \Omega_H \Delta \cos \Omega_H t_{aq} - H_x \sin \Omega_H \Delta \sin \Omega_H t_{aq}$$

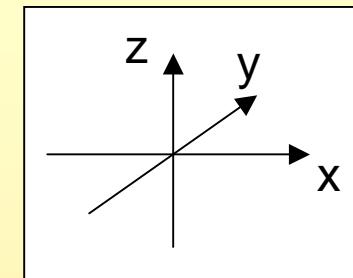
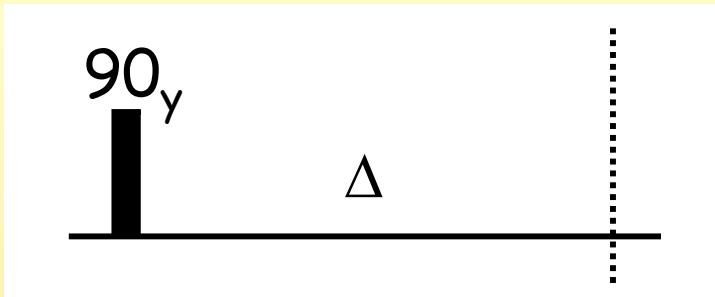
## Building blocks



$$\begin{aligned}
 & H_x \cos \Omega_H \Delta \cos \Omega_H t_{aq} + H_y \cos \Omega_H \Delta \sin \Omega_H t_{aq} \\
 & H_y \sin \Omega_H \Delta \cos \Omega_H t_{aq} - H_x \sin \Omega_H \Delta \sin \Omega_H t_{aq} \\
 & = H_x \cos \Omega_H (\Delta + t_{aq}) + H_y \sin \Omega_H (\Delta + t_{aq}) \\
 & = H \exp i \Omega_H (\Delta + t_{aq}) = H \exp i (\Omega_H \Delta) \exp i (\Omega_H t_{aq})
 \end{aligned}$$

Obviously all signals acquire a phase that is dependent on the chemical shift, no phase correction is thus possible in a simple 1D spectrum

## Building blocks

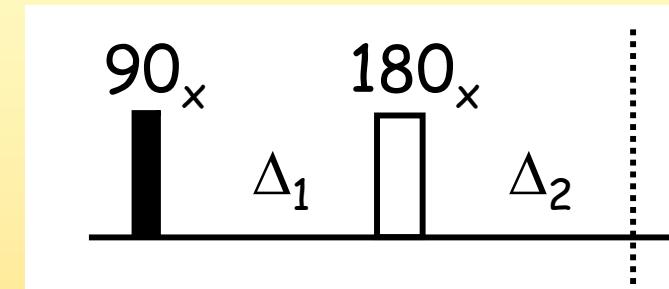
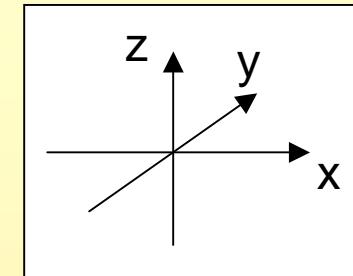


This is solved by keeping  $\Delta$  short.

$$\exp(\Omega_H \Delta) = 1 + \Omega_H \Delta \text{ for small values of } \Omega_H \Delta$$

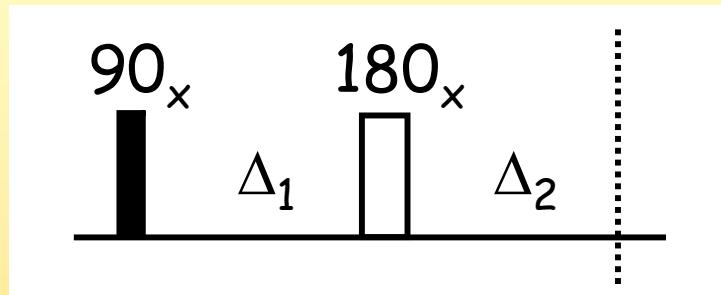
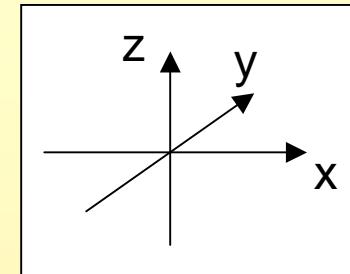
We see that in this case a linear phase correction (also called first order phase correction) is sufficient.

## Building blocks



This sequence has already been inspected using the vector model, the result should be the same:  
No chemical shift, homonuclear but no heteronuclear scalar coupling

## Building blocks



First we do the calculation  
for chemical shift  $\delta_H$

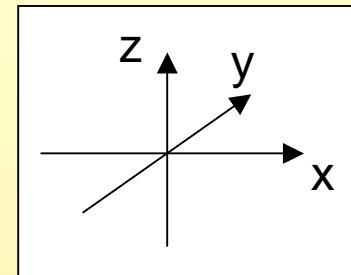
$$H_z \xrightarrow{90^\circ H_x} -H_y \xrightarrow{\delta_H \Delta_1} -H_y \cos \delta_H \Delta_1 + H_x \sin \delta_H \Delta_1$$

$$\xrightarrow{180^\circ H_x} H_y \cos \delta_H \Delta_1 + H_x \sin \delta_H \Delta_1$$

$$\xrightarrow{\delta_H \Delta_2} H_y \cos \delta_H \Delta_1 \cos \delta_H \Delta_2 - H_x \cos \delta_H \Delta_1 \sin \delta_H \Delta_2$$

$$H_x \sin \delta_H \Delta_1 \cos \delta_H \Delta_2 + H_y \sin \delta_H \Delta_1 \sin \delta_H \Delta_2$$

## Building blocks



$$H_y \cos \delta_H \Delta_1 \cos \delta_H \Delta_2 - H_x \cos \delta_H \Delta_1 \sin \delta_H \Delta_2$$

$$H_x \sin \delta_H \Delta_1 \cos \delta_H \Delta_2 + H_y \sin \delta_H \Delta_1 \sin \delta_H \Delta_2$$

$$= H_y \cos \delta_H (\Delta_1 - \Delta_2) + H_x \sin \delta_H (\Delta_1 - \Delta_2)$$

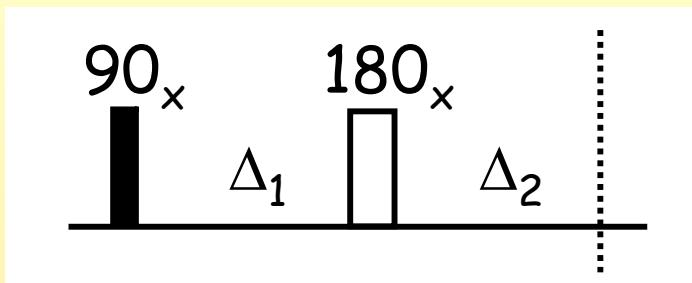
if  $\Delta_1 = \Delta_2 = \Delta$

$$= H_y$$

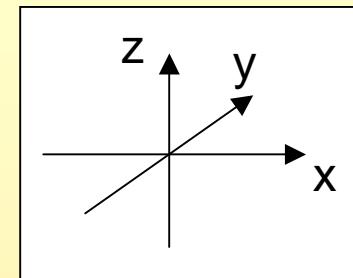
i.e. chemical shift has vanished in the end, it has been „refocussed“ !

(as we have seen in the vector model)

## Building blocks



Now we calculate  
homonuclear coupling  $J_{HH}$



$$H_{1z} \xrightarrow{90^\circ H_x} -H_{1y} \xrightarrow{\pi J_{HH} \Delta_1} -H_{1y} \cos \pi J_{HH} \Delta_1 + 2H_{1x} H_{2z} \sin \pi J_{HH} \Delta_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \xrightarrow{180^\circ H_x} & H_{1y} \cos \pi J_{HH} \Delta_1 - 2H_{1x} H_{2z} \sin \pi J_{HH} \Delta_1 \\ \xrightarrow{\pi J_{HH} \Delta_2} & H_{1y} \cos \pi J_{HH} \Delta_1 \cos \pi J_{HH} \Delta_2 \\ & - 2H_{1x} H_{2z} \cos \pi J_{HH} \Delta_1 \sin \pi J_{HH} \Delta_2 \\ & - 2H_{1x} H_{2z} \sin \pi J_{HH} \Delta_1 \cos \pi J_{HH} \Delta_2 \\ & - H_{1y} \sin \pi J_{HH} \Delta_1 \sin \pi J_{HH} \Delta_2 \end{aligned}$$

## Building blocks

$$\begin{aligned}
 & H_{1y} \cos \pi J_{HH} \Delta_1 \cos \pi J_{HH} \Delta_2 - 2H_{1x} H_{2z} \cos \pi J_{HH} \Delta_1 \sin \pi J_{HH} \Delta_2 \\
 & - 2H_{1x} H_{2z} \sin \pi J_{HH} \Delta_1 \cos \pi J_{HH} \Delta_2 - H_{1y} \sin \pi J_{HH} \Delta_1 \sin \pi J_{HH} \Delta_2
 \end{aligned}$$

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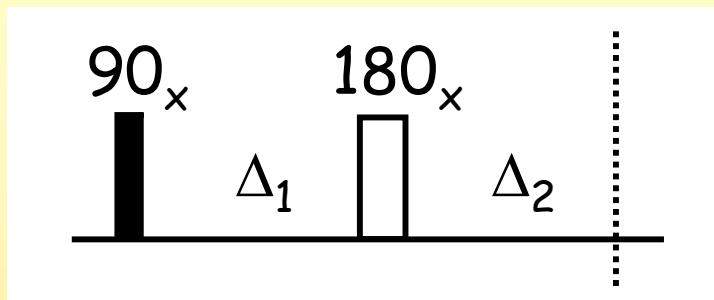
$$H_{1y} \cos \pi J_{HH} (\Delta_1 + \Delta_2) - 2H_{1x} H_{2z} \sin \pi J_{HH} (\Delta_1 + \Delta_2)$$

if  $\Delta_1 = \Delta_2 = \Delta$

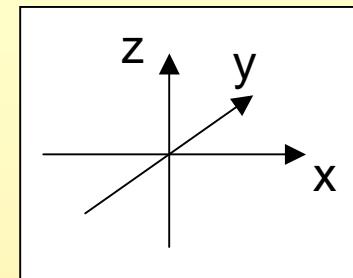
$$H_{1y} \cos \pi J_{HH} 2\Delta - 2H_{1x} H_{2z} \sin \pi J_{HH} 2\Delta$$

i.e. homonuclear coupling is still present at the end of the spin echo it has not been „refocussed“!

## Building blocks



Finally heteronuclear  
coupling  $J_{HX}$



$$\begin{aligned}
 H_z &\xrightarrow{90^\circ H_x} -H_y \xrightarrow{\pi J_{HX} \Delta_1} -H_y \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 + 2H_x X_z \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \\
 &\xrightarrow{180^\circ H_x} H_y \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 + 2H_x X_z \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \\
 &\xrightarrow{\pi J_{HX} \Delta_2} H_y \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_2 \\
 &\quad - 2H_x X_z \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_2 \\
 &\quad + 2H_x H_z \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_2 \\
 &\quad + H_y \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_2
 \end{aligned}$$

## Building blocks

$$\begin{aligned} & H_y \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_2 - 2H_x X_z \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_2 \\ & + 2H_x H_z \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_2 + H_y \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_2 \end{aligned}$$

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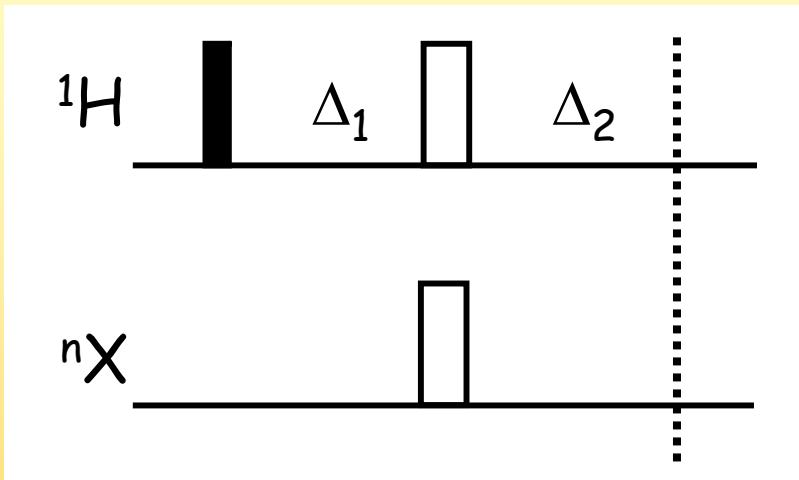
$$H_y \cos \pi J_{HX} (\Delta_1 - \Delta_2) - 2H_x X_z \sin \pi J_{HX} (\Delta_1 - \Delta_2)$$

if  $\Delta_1 = \Delta_2 = \Delta$

$$H_y$$

i.e. heteronuclear coupling has vanished, it has been  
refocussed!

## Building blocks



chemical shift:  $\delta_{\text{H}}$

scalar (J-) coupling:  $J_{\text{HH}}, J_{\text{HX}}$

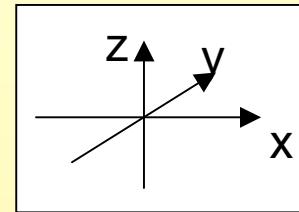
$\delta_{\text{H}}$  and  $J_{\text{HH}}$  are already known

$\delta_{\text{H}}$  refocussed if  $\Delta_1 = \Delta_2$

$J_{\text{HH}}$  not refocussed if  $\Delta_1 = \Delta_2$

## Building blocks

$J_{HX}$  ?



$$H_z \xrightarrow{90^\circ H_x} -H_y \xrightarrow{\pi J_{HX} \Delta_1} -H_y \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 + 2H_x X_z \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1$$

$$\xrightarrow[180^\circ X_x]{180^\circ H_x} H_y \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 - 2H_x X_z \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \xrightarrow{\pi J_{HX} \Delta_2}$$

$$H_y \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_2 - 2H_x X_z \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_2$$

$$-2H_x H_z \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_2 - H_y \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_2$$

$$= H_y \cos \pi J_{HX} (\Delta_1 + \Delta_2) - 2H_x X_z \sin \pi J_{HX} (\Delta_1 + \Delta_2)$$

$$\text{if } \Delta_1 = \Delta_2 = \Delta : H_{1y} \cos \pi J_{HX} 2\Delta - 2H_{1x} H_{2z} \sin \pi J_{HX} 2\Delta$$

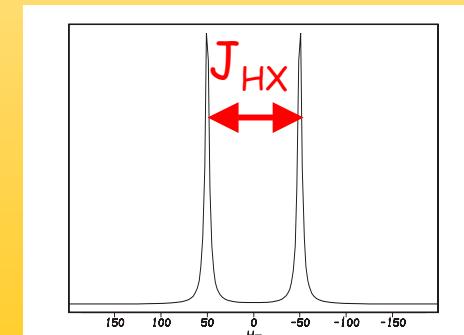
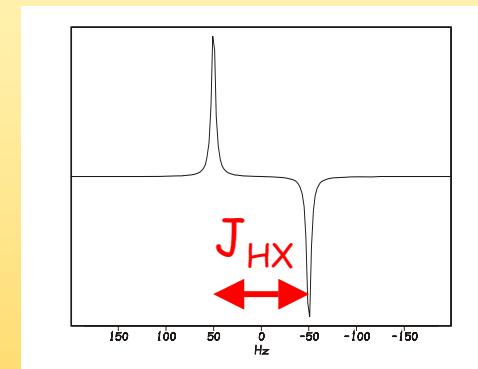
i.e. heteronuclear coupling is not refocussed any more !

## Building blocks

$$H_y \cos \pi J_{HX} 2\Delta - 2H_x X_z \sin \pi J_{HX} 2\Delta$$

If  $\Delta = 1/4J_{HX}$  is chosen  $2H_x X_z$  is obtained, i.e. an anti-phase signal, that is quite often utilized in complex pulse sequences

If  $\Delta = 1/2J_{HX}$  is chosen  $H_{1y}$  is obtained, i.e. an in-phase signal



## Building blocks

but...

$$H_y \cos \pi J_{HX} 2\Delta - 2H_x X_z \sin \pi J_{HX} 2\Delta$$

If  $\Delta$  is set to a value short relative to  $1/2J$ , then the coupling does hardly have an effect

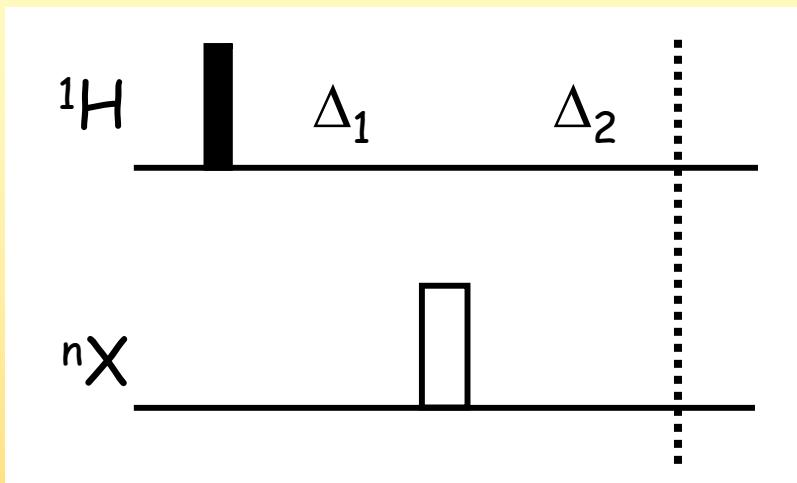
$$J = 5 \text{ Hz}, \quad 2\Delta = 5 \text{ msec} \ll 1/2J = 100 \text{ msec}$$

$$\cos \pi J_{HX} 2\Delta = 0.99$$

$$\sin \pi J_{HX} 2\Delta = 0.08$$

i.e. the coupling has not evolved noticeably

## Building blocks



chemical shift:  $\delta_H$

scalar (J-) coupling:  $J_{HH}, J_{HX}$

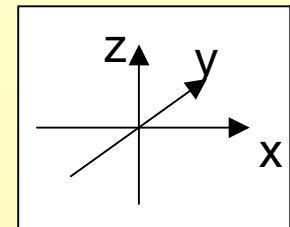
$\delta_H$  and  $J_{HH}$  are already known

$\delta_H$  not refocussed if  $\Delta_1 = \Delta_2$

$J_{HH}$  not refocussed if  $\Delta_1 = \Delta_2$

## Building blocks

$J_{HX}$  ?



$$H_z \xrightarrow{90^\circ H_x} -H_y \xrightarrow{\pi J_{HX} \Delta_1} -H_y \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 + 2H_x X_z \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1$$

$$\xrightarrow{180^\circ X_x} -H_y \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 - 2H_x X_z \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \xrightarrow{\pi J_{HX} \Delta_2}$$

$$-H_y \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_2 + 2H_x X_z \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_2$$

$$-2H_x H_z \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \cos \pi J_{HX} \Delta_2 - H_y \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_1 \sin \pi J_{HX} \Delta_2$$

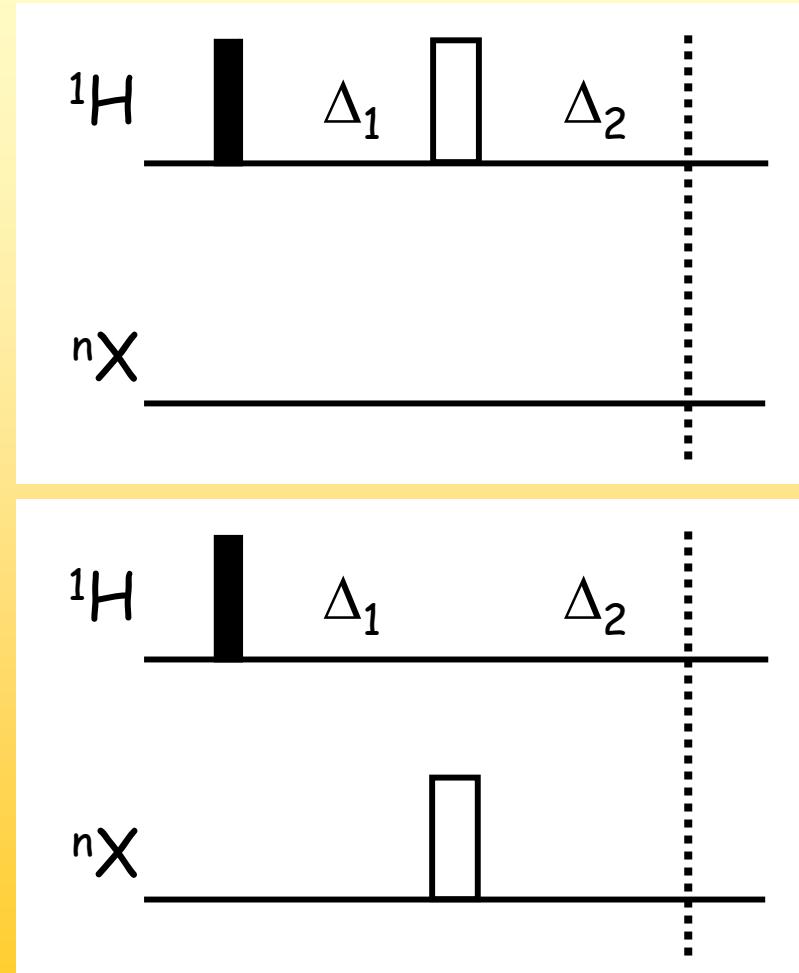
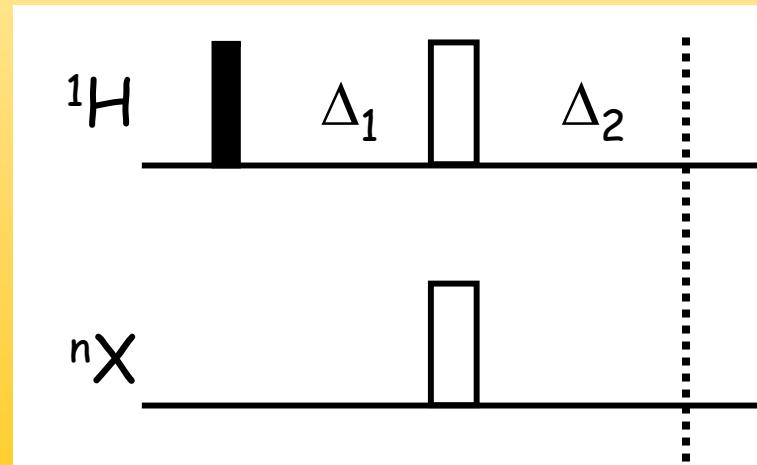
$$= -H_y \cos \pi J_{HX} (\Delta_1 - \Delta_2) - 2H_x X_z \sin \pi J_{HX} (\Delta_1 - \Delta_2)$$

$$\text{if } \Delta_1 = \Delta_2 = \Delta : -H_y$$

i.e. heteronucleare coupling is again refocussed !

## Building blocks

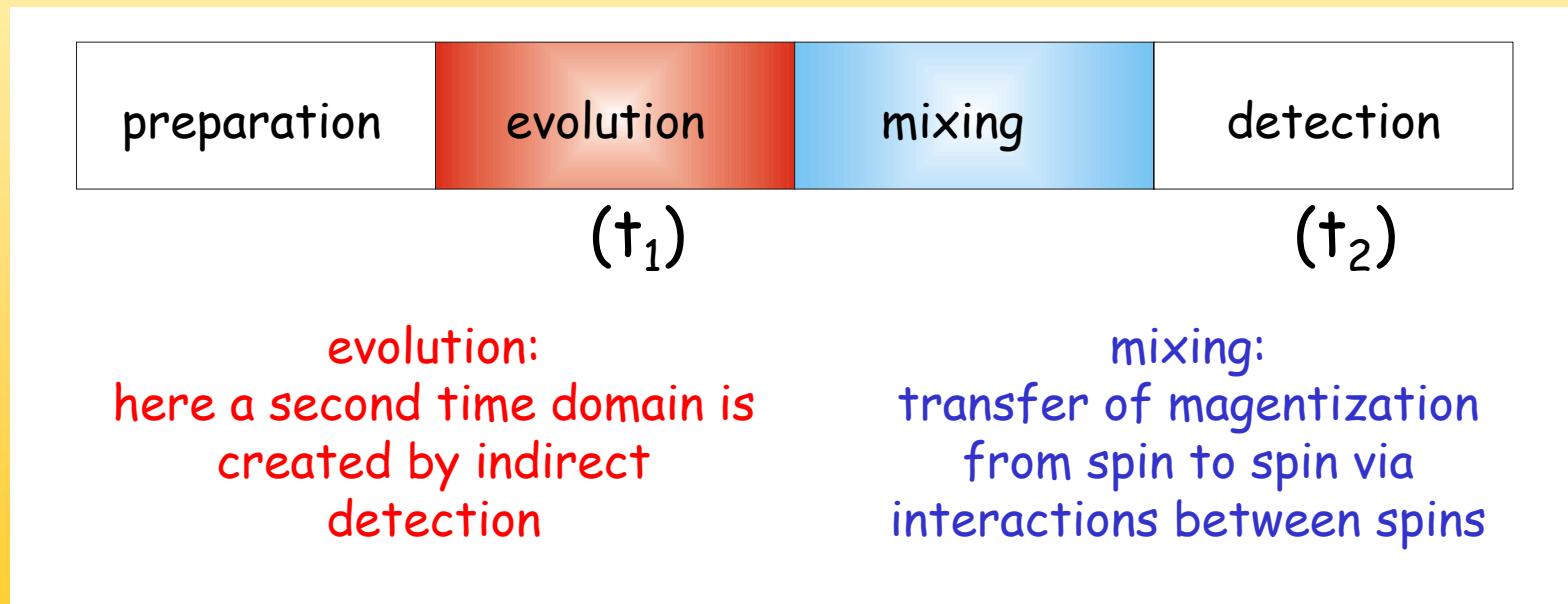
Those „building blocks“  
are now known and we do  
not need to recalculate  
them later on



# Two-dimensional NMR-spectroscopy: The COSY

## 2D NMR: COSY

2D-NMR sequences contain  
two new elements:  
evolution time and mixing time

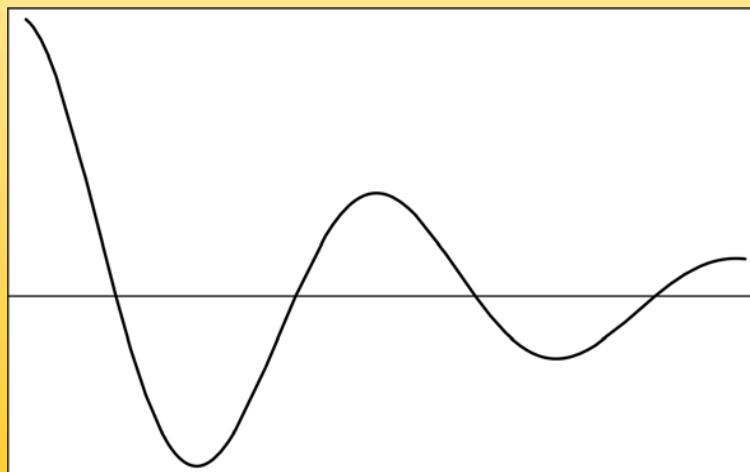


## 2D NMR: COSY

The NMR signal that is recorded during the acquisition is a damped cosine (we look only at the real part)

$$s(t) = \exp(-t/T_2) \exp(i\Omega_0 t)$$

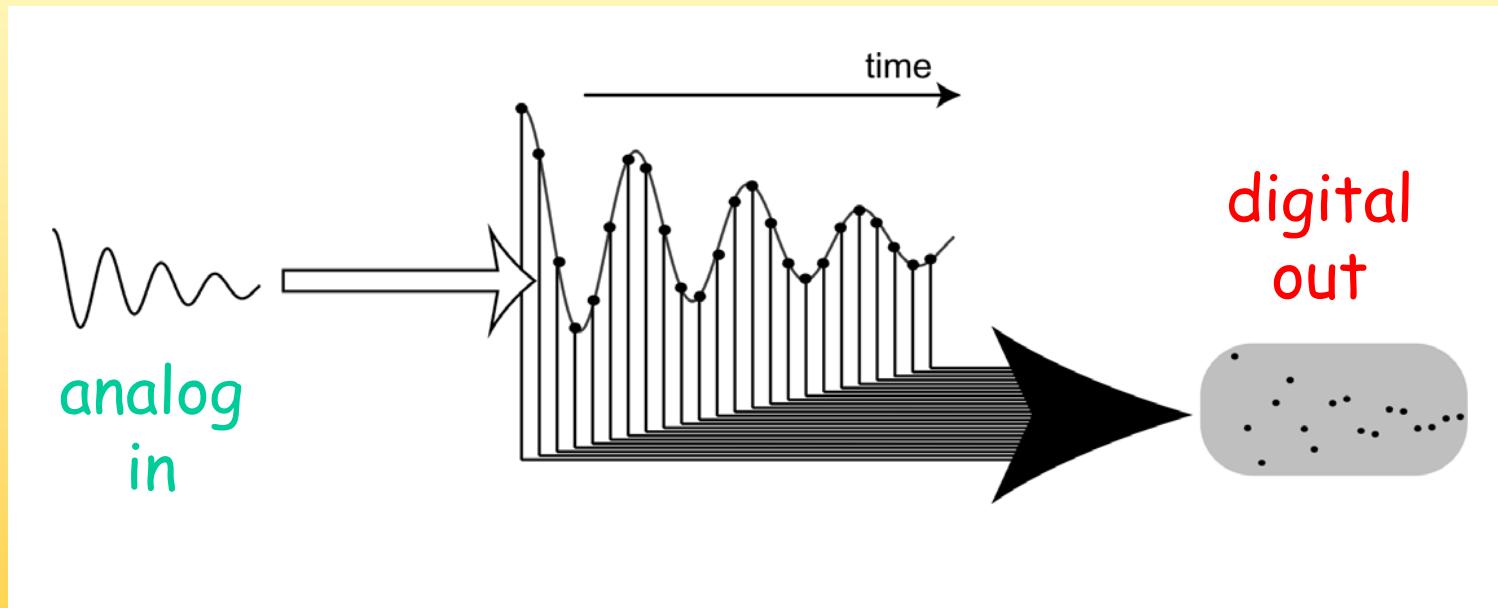
$$s(t) = \exp((i\Omega_0 - 1/T_2) t)$$



## 2D NMR: COSY

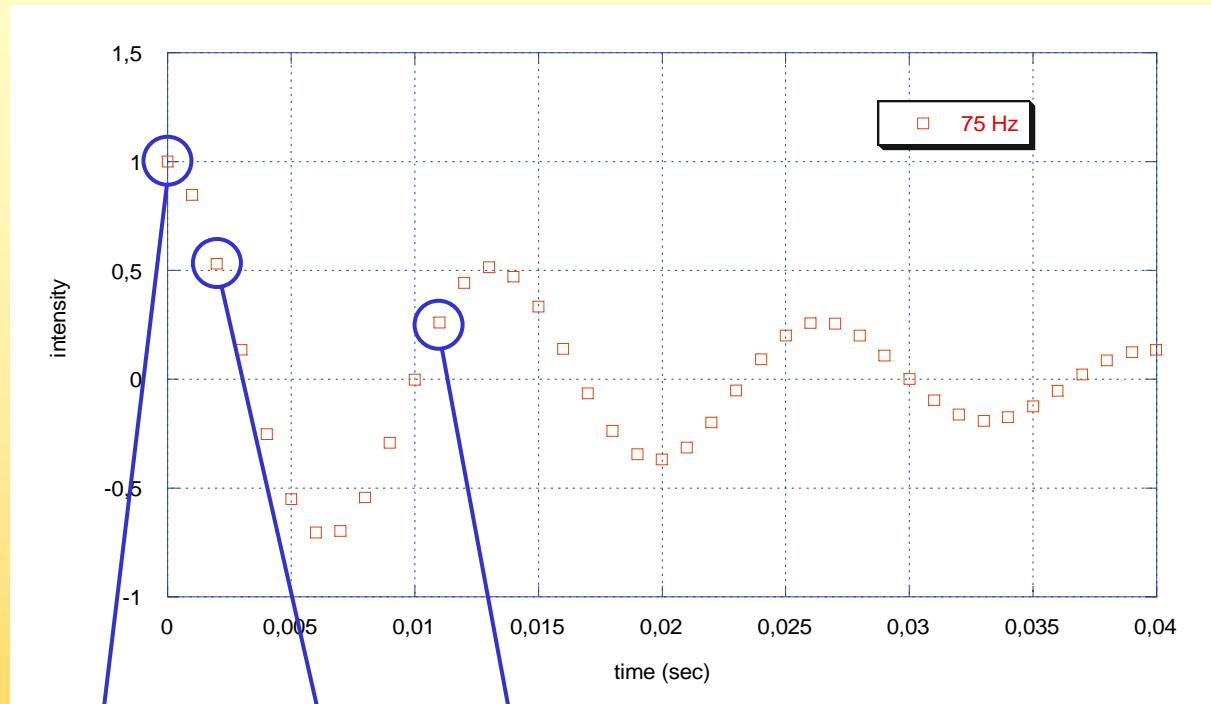
To analyze the signal we need to digitize it

$$s(t) = \exp((i\Omega_0 - 1/T_2)t)$$



$$s(k\Delta t) = \exp((i\Omega_0 - 1/T_2)k\Delta t)$$

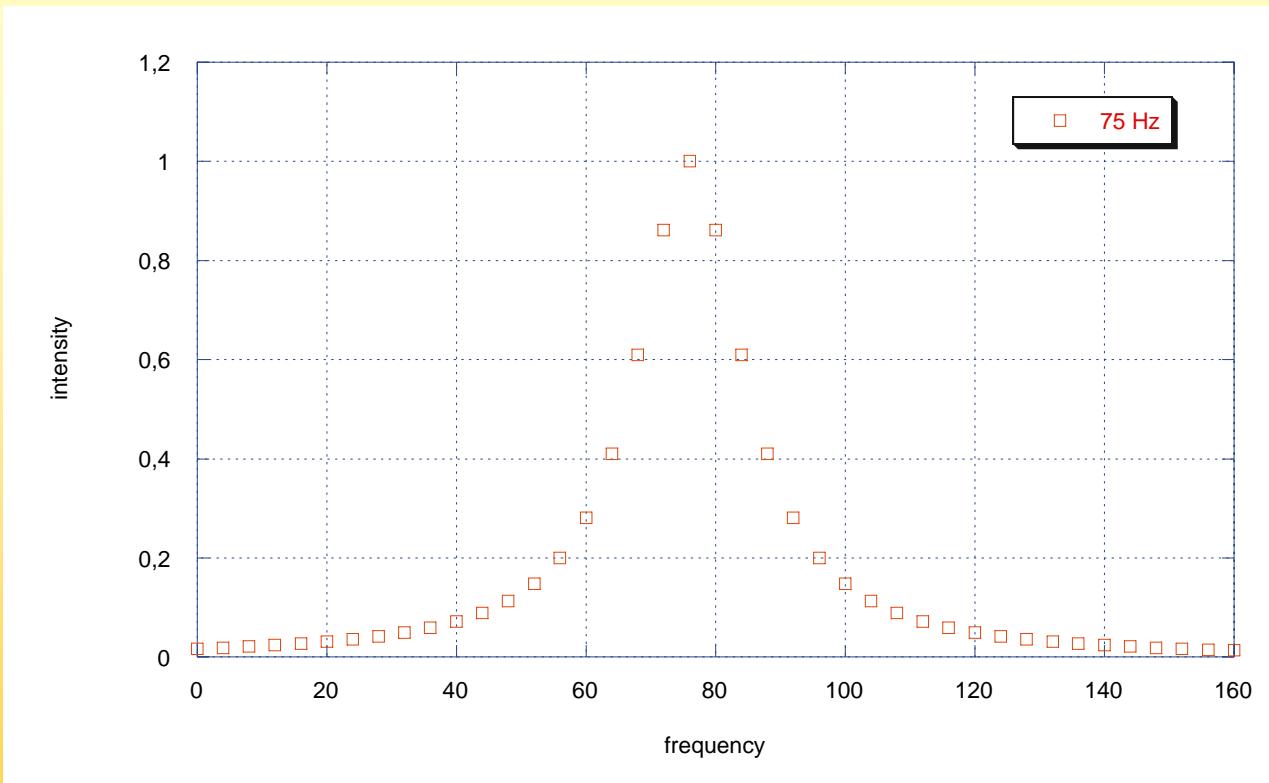
## 2D NMR: COSY



The FID is converted into a series of data points

$$\begin{aligned}
 s(11\Delta t) &= \exp((i\Omega_0 - 1/\tau_2) 11\Delta t) \\
 s(2\Delta t) &= \exp((i\Omega_0 - 1/\tau_2) 2\Delta t) \\
 s(0\Delta t) = s(0) &= \exp((i\Omega_0 - 1/\tau_2) 0) = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

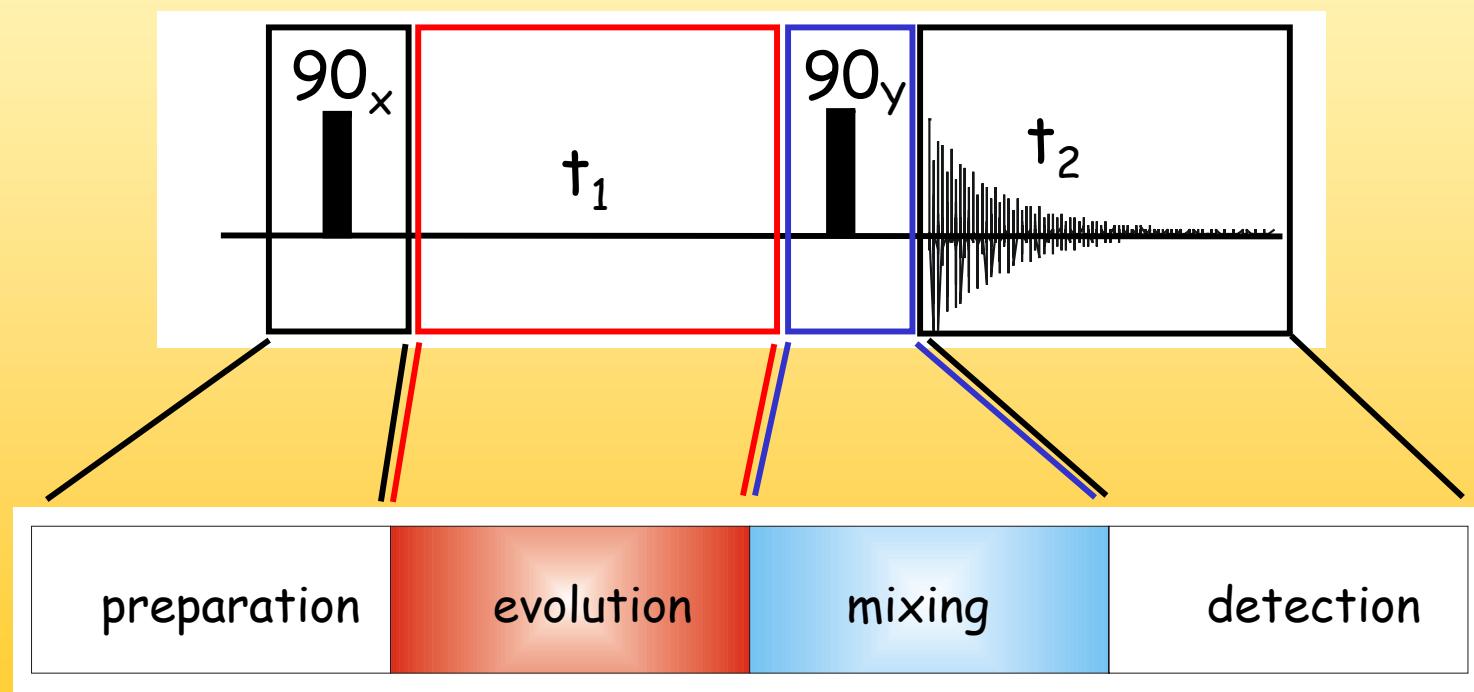
## 2D NMR: COSY



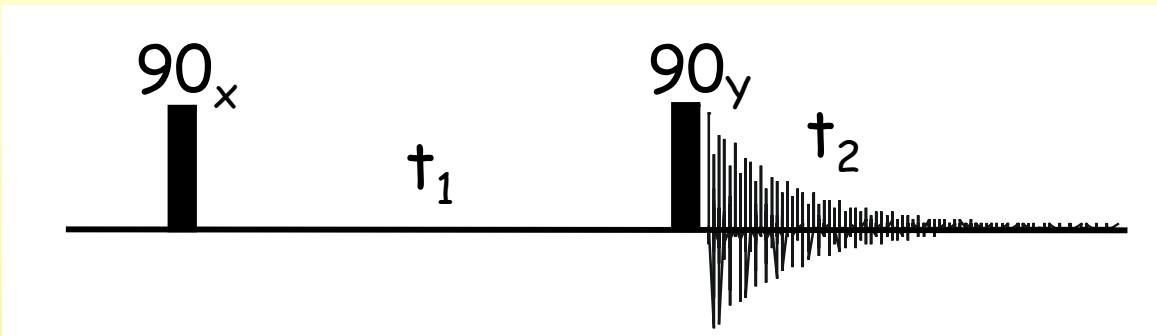
A digital Fourier transformation (DFT) converts that into another series of data points the spectrum

## 2D NMR: COSY

The simplest two-dimensional spectrum is the COSY



## 2D NMR: COSY



We consider two protons with  $\Omega_{H1} = 2\pi\delta_{H1}$  and  $\Omega_{H2} = 2\pi\delta_{H2}$

$$H_{1z} \xrightarrow{90^\circ H_x} -H_{1y} \xrightarrow{2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1} -H_{1y} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 + H_{1x} \sin 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1$$

$$\xrightarrow{90^\circ H_x} -H_{1y} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 - H_{1z} \sin 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1$$

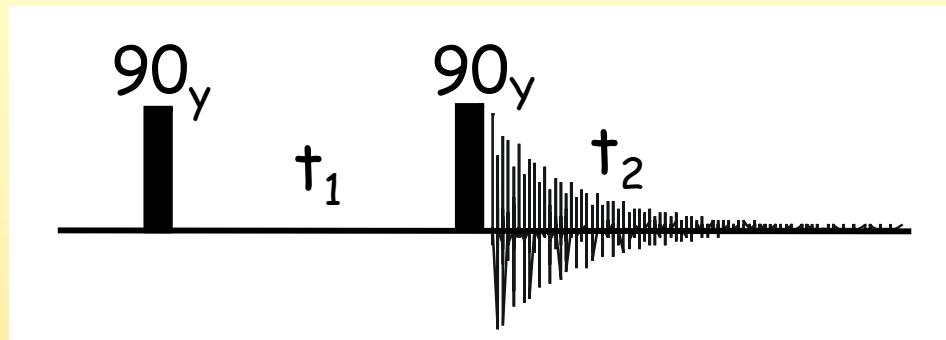
not detectable

$$\xrightarrow{2\pi\delta_{H1}t_2} -H_{1y} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_2 + H_{1x} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \sin 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_2$$

$$-H_1 \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \exp 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_2$$

Quadraturdetektion

## 2D NMR: COSY



To achieve quadrature detection in the indirect dimension we do a second experiment

$$H_{1z} \xrightarrow{90^\circ H_y} H_{1x} \xrightarrow{2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1} H_{1x} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 + H_{1y} \sin 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1$$

$$\xrightarrow{90^\circ H_y} -H_{1z} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 + H_{1y} \sin 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1$$

not detectable

$$\xrightarrow{2\pi\delta_{H1}t_2}$$

$$H_{1y} \sin 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_2 + H_{1x} \sin 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \sin 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_2$$

$$H_1 \sin 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \exp 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_2$$

## 2D NMR: COSY

Taken together we have a „hypercomplex“ signal

$$H_1 \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \exp 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_2 \text{ und } H_1 \sin 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \exp 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_2$$

$$= H_1 \exp 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \exp 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_2$$

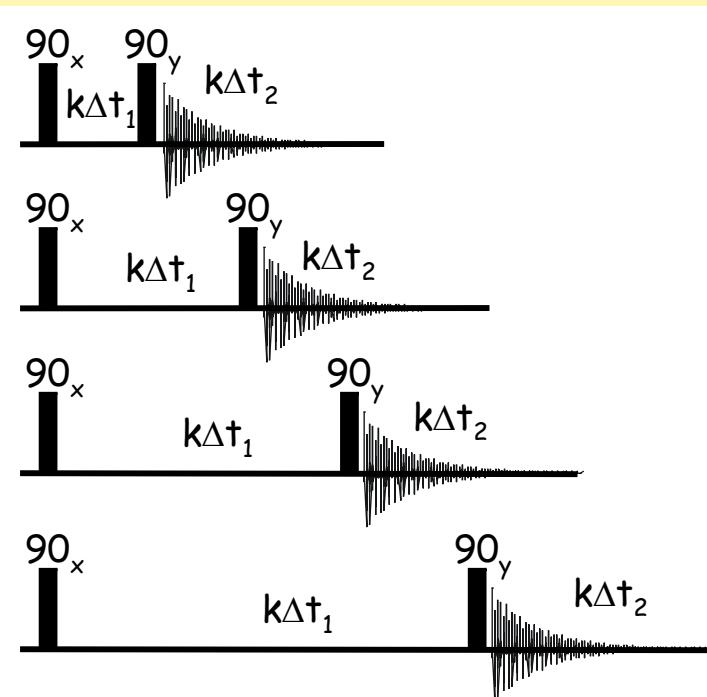
$$= H_1 \exp 2\pi\delta_{H1} (k \Delta t_1)$$

$$\times \exp 2\pi\delta_{H1} (k \Delta t_2)$$

This is done by the  
incrementation of  
 $\Delta t_1$

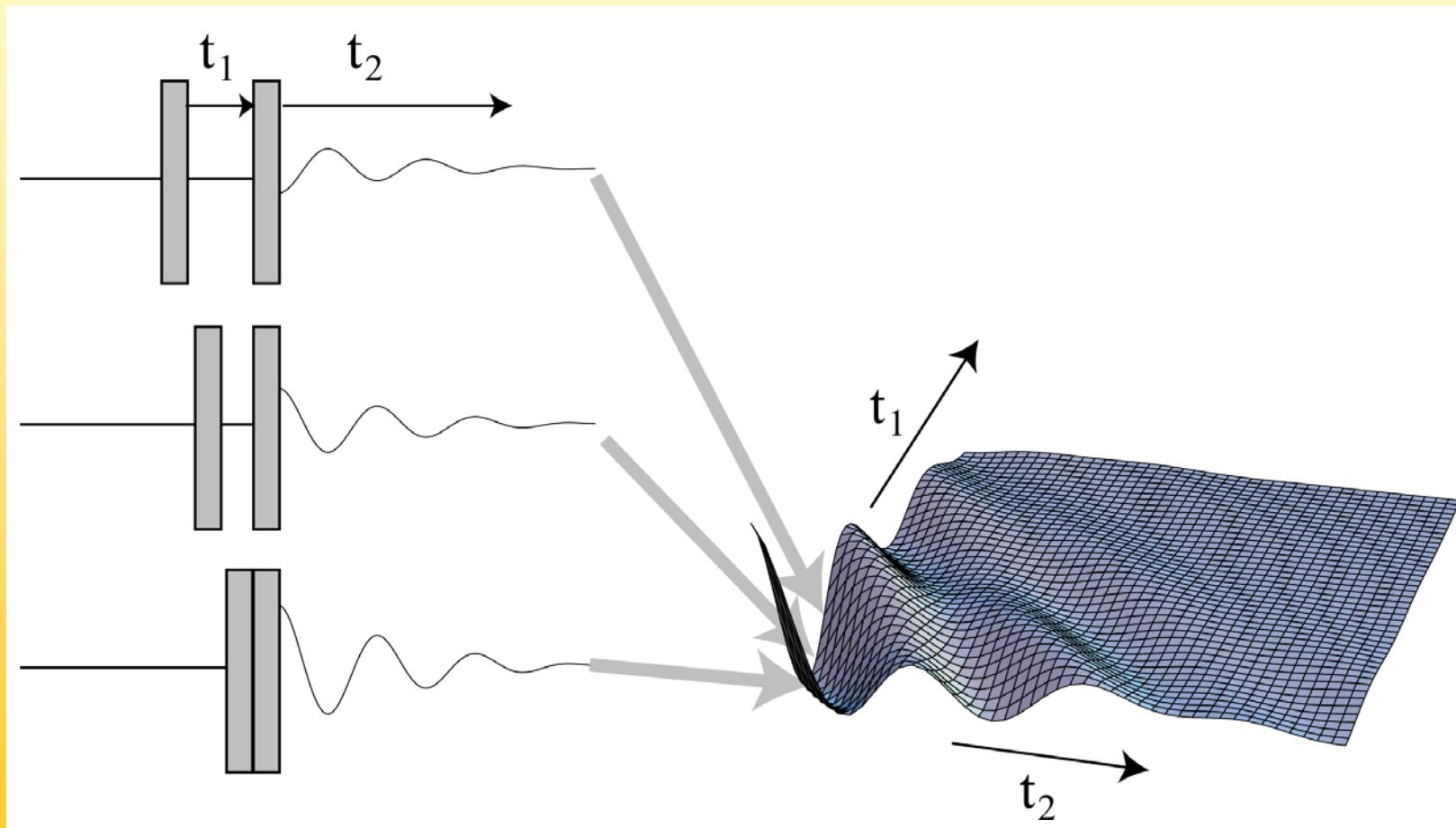
This is done  
by the ADC

We obtain a two-dimensional  
area of data points .....

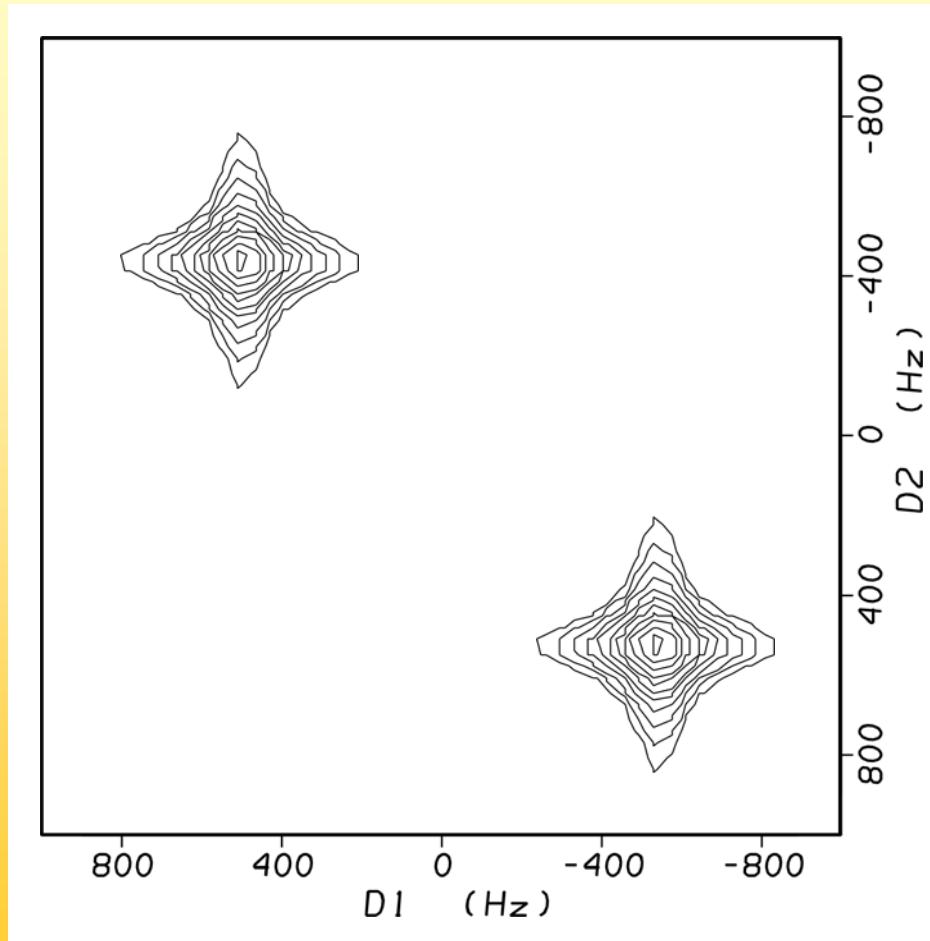


## 2D NMR: COSY

..... a two-dimensional FID



## 2D NMR: COSY



After two FTs we  
get our well known  
2D spectrum

## 2D NMR: COSY

But up to know we have the same information on both axes

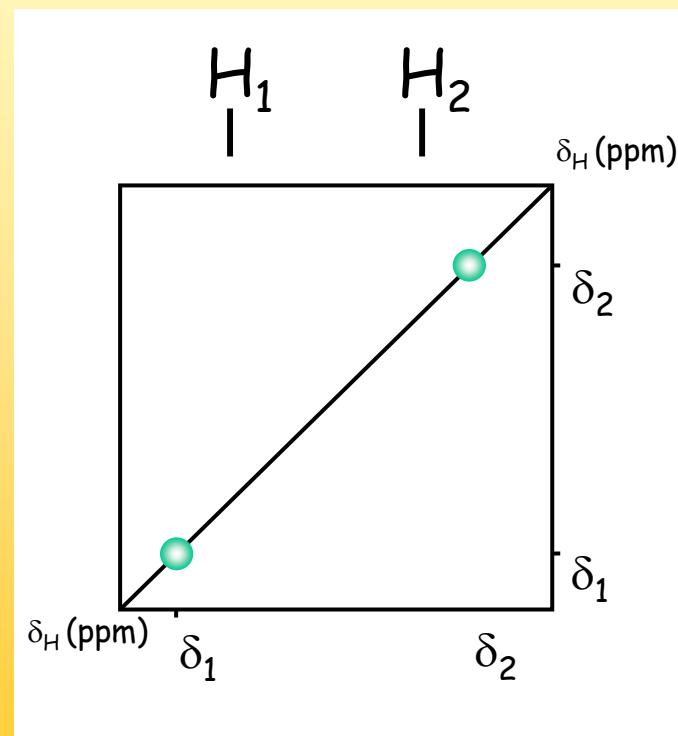
$$H_1 \exp 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \exp 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_2 =$$

$$H_1 \exp 2\pi\delta_{H1} (k \Delta t_1)$$

$$\exp 2\pi\delta_{H1} (k \Delta t_2)$$

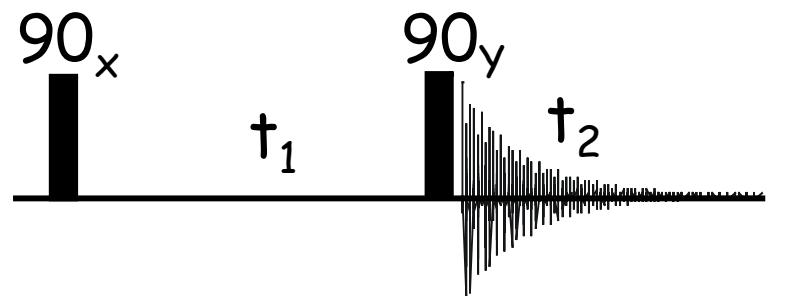
(the same for  $H_2$ )

We have created a second dimension by incrementing during the evolution time but our spectrum has only a diagonal



## 2D NMR: COSY

Now we remember that mixing is achieved via coupling and we calculate for  $J_{HH}$  as well



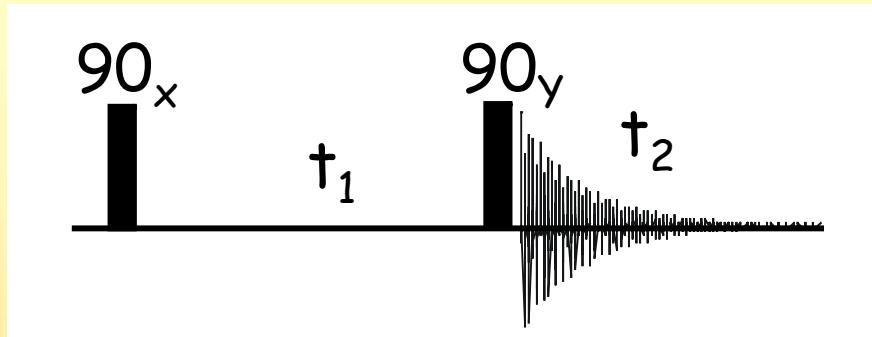
$$H_{1z} \xrightarrow{90^\circ H_x} -H_{1y} \xrightarrow{2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1} -H_{1y} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 + H_{1x} \sin 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1$$

Watch this operator !!

$$\xrightarrow{\pi J_{HH}t_1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & -H_{1y} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \cos \pi J_{HH}t_1 + 2H_{1x}H_{2z} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \sin \pi J_{HH}t_1 \\ & + H_{1x} \sin 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \cos \pi J_{HH}t_1 + 2H_{1y}H_{2z} \sin 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \sin \pi J_{HH}t_1 \end{aligned}$$

## 2D NMR: COSY



Then the second  $90^\circ$  pulse

Here is where the transfer takes place !!

$90^\circ H_y$

$$-H_{1y} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \cos \pi J_{HH}t_1 - 2H_{1z}H_{2x} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \sin \pi J_{HH}t_1$$

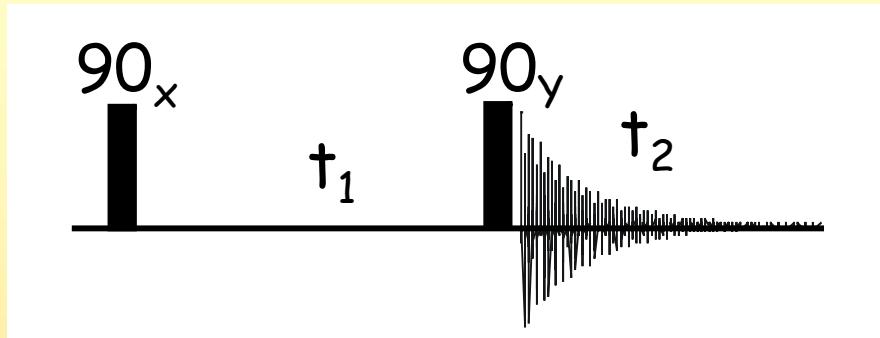
$$\cancel{-H_{1z} \sin 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \cos \pi J_{HH}t_1} + \cancel{2H_{1y}H_{2x} \sin 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \sin \pi J_{HH}t_1}$$

not detectable

two types of detectable magnetization remain

$$-H_{1y} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \cos \pi J_{HH}t_1 - 2H_{1z}H_{2x} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \sin \pi J_{HH}t_1$$

## 2D NMR: COSY

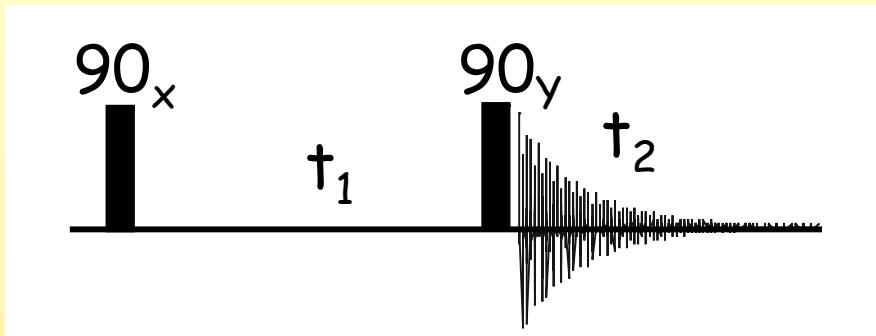


Then we start the acquisition

$$- H_{1y} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \cos \pi J_{HH}t_1 - 2H_{1z}H_{2x} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \sin \pi J_{HH}t_1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \xrightarrow{\delta_H t_2} - H_{1y} \cos 2\pi \boxed{\delta_{H1}t_1} \cos \pi J_{HH}t_1 \cos 2\pi \boxed{\delta_{H1}t_2} \quad \text{H1 !} \\
 & + H_{1x} \cos 2\pi \boxed{\delta_{H1}t_1} \cos \pi J_{HH}t_1 \sin 2\pi \boxed{\delta_{H1}t_2} \\
 & - 2H_{1z}H_{2x} \cos 2\pi \boxed{\delta_{H1}t_1} \sin \pi J_{HH}t_1 \cos 2\pi \boxed{\delta_{H2}t_2} \\
 & - 2H_{1z}H_{2y} \cos 2\pi \boxed{\delta_{H1}t_1} \sin \pi J_{HH}t_1 \sin 2\pi \boxed{\delta_{H2}t_2} \quad \text{H2 !}
 \end{aligned}$$

## 2D NMR: COSY

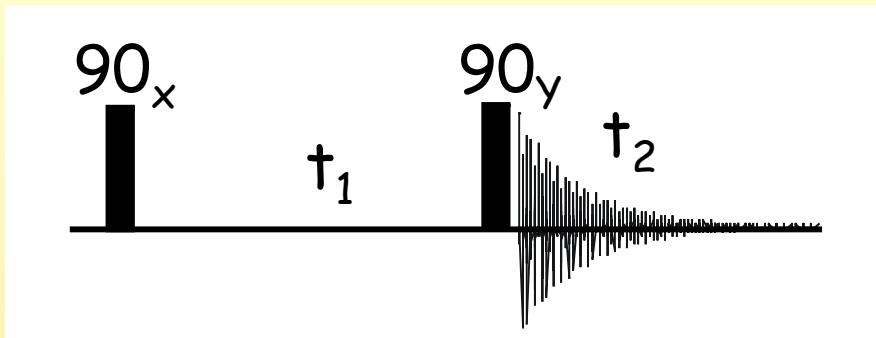


we focus on detectable magnetization

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \xrightarrow{\pi J_{HH} t_2} \\
 & - H_{1y} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1} t_1 \cos \pi J_{HH} t_1 \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1} t_2 \cos \pi J_{HH} t_2 \\
 & + H_{1x} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1} t_1 \cos \pi J_{HH} t_1 \sin 2\pi\delta_{H1} t_2 \cos \pi J_{HH} t_2 \quad \text{Im !} \\
 & - H_{2y} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1} t_1 \sin \pi J_{HH} t_1 \cos 2\pi\delta_{H2} t_2 \sin \pi J_{HH} t_2 \\
 & + H_{2x} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1} t_1 \sin \pi J_{HH} t_1 \sin 2\pi\delta_{H2} t_2 \sin \pi J_{HH} t_2 \quad \text{Im !}
 \end{aligned}$$

The calculation for the second FID (1. pulse  $90^\circ_y$ ) is omitted !

## 2D NMR: COSY



As a result of our calculation we get:  
(only the real part is given)

- $- H_{1y} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \cos \pi J_{HH}t_1 \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_2 \cos \pi J_{HH}t_2$
- $- H_{2y} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \sin \pi J_{HH}t_1 \cos 2\pi\delta_{H2}t_2 \sin \pi J_{HH}t_2$



In  $t_1$  immer die  
Verschiebung von  
H1



In  $t_2$  die  
Verschiebung von  
H1 oder H2

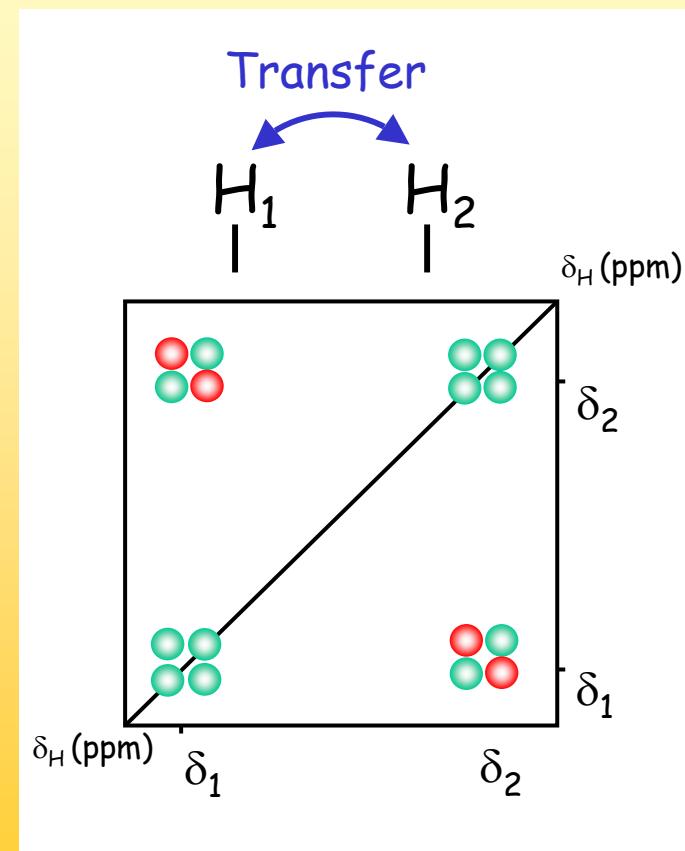
## 2D NMR: COSY

Now something new has shown up:

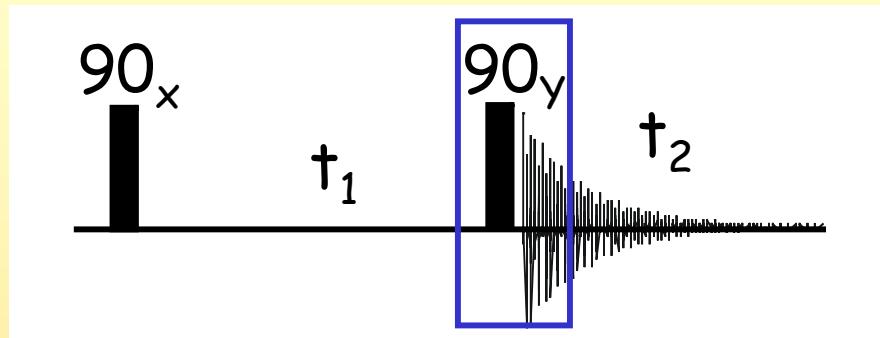
There are signals that have been labeled with different chemical shifts in both dimensions:

the **crosspeaks**

A transfer of magnetization has taken place



## 2D NMR: COSY



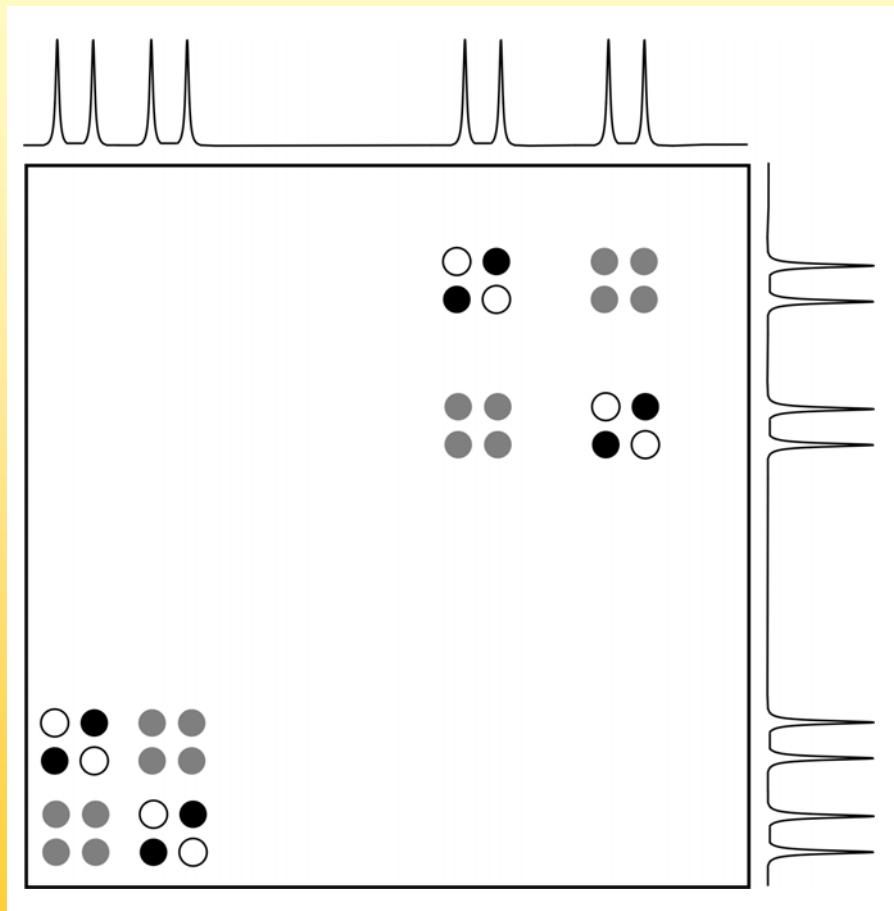
CO<sub>R</sub>relation S<sub>pectroscop</sub>Y =  
COSY

The „mixing time“ is a simple  $90^\circ$  pulse in this case.

It causes a transfer of magnetization.

Cross peaks in a 2D spectrum thus indicate the presence of a scalar coupling between the two nuclei whose frequencies intersect at the position of the cross peak.

## 2D NMR: COSY



We will now take a look at  
the fine structure of the  
peaks

## 2D NMR: COSY

- $- H_{1y} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \cos \pi J_{HH}t_1 \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_2 \cos \pi J_{HH}t_2$
- $- H_{2y} \cos 2\pi\delta_{H1}t_1 \sin \pi J_{HH}t_1 \cos 2\pi\delta_{H2}t_2 \sin \pi J_{HH}t_2$

Let's use our trigonometric formulas

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -H_{1y} \frac{1}{2} [\cos 2\pi(\delta_{H1} + J_{HH}/2)t_1 + \cos 2\pi(\delta_{H1} - J_{HH}/2)t_1] \times \\
 &\quad \frac{1}{2} [\cos 2\pi(\delta_{H1} + J_{HH}/2)t_2 + \cos 2\pi(\delta_{H1} - J_{HH}/2)t_2] \\
 &- H_{2y} \frac{1}{2} [\sin 2\pi(\delta_{H1} + J_{HH}/2)t_1 - \sin 2\pi(2\pi\delta_{H1} - J_{HH}/2)t_1] \times \\
 &\quad \frac{1}{2} [\sin 2\pi(\delta_{H2} + J_{HH}/2)t_2 - \sin 2\pi(\delta_{H2} - J_{HH}/2)t_2]
 \end{aligned}$$

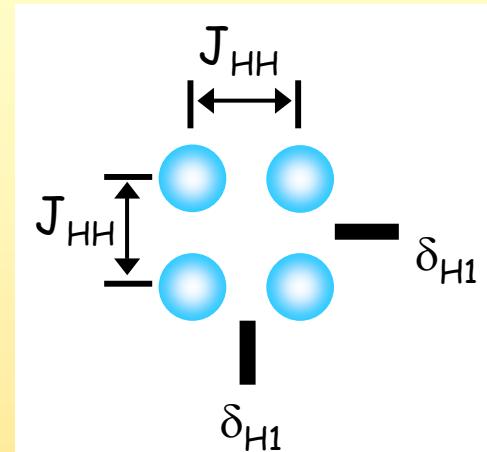
## 2D NMR: COSY

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -H_{1y} \frac{1}{2} [\cos 2\pi(\delta_{H1} + J_{HH}/2) \mathbf{t}_1 + \cos 2\pi(\delta_{H1} - J_{HH}/2) \mathbf{t}_1] \times \\
 &\quad \frac{1}{2} [\cos 2\pi(\delta_{H1} + J_{HH}/2) \mathbf{t}_2 + \cos 2\pi(\delta_{H1} - J_{HH}/2) \mathbf{t}_2] \\
 &- H_{2y} \frac{1}{2} [\sin 2\pi(\delta_{H1} + J_{HH}/2) \mathbf{t}_1 - \sin 2\pi(2\pi\delta_{H1} - J_{HH}/2) \mathbf{t}_1] \times \\
 &\quad \frac{1}{2} [\sin 2\pi(\delta_{H2} + J_{HH}/2) \mathbf{t}_2 - \sin 2\pi(\delta_{H2} - J_{HH}/2) \mathbf{t}_2]
 \end{aligned}$$

We get a total of 8 peaks, 4 with a cosine and with  $\delta_{H1}$  in both dimensions, 4 with a sine and with different chemical shifts in both dimensions

## 2D NMR: COSY

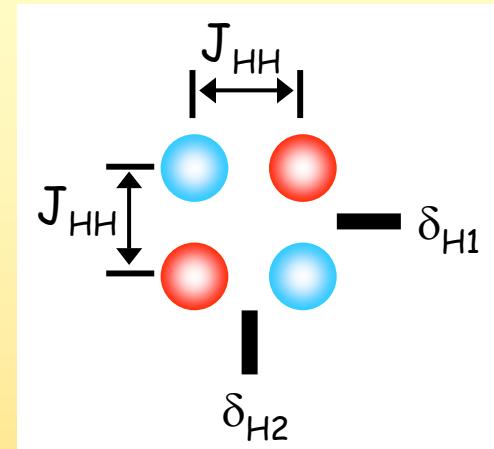
The first four are all positive (**in-phase**), they have  $\delta_{H1}$  in both dimensions (**diagonal signal**) and all are resulting from cosine functions



$$\begin{aligned}
 & + H_1 \cos 2\pi(\delta_{H1} + J_{HH}/2)t_1 \cos 2\pi(\delta_{H1} + J_{HH}/2)t_2 \\
 & + H_1 \cos 2\pi(\delta_{H1} + J_{HH}/2)t_1 \cos 2\pi(\delta_{H1} - J_{HH}/2)t_2 \\
 & + H_1 \cos 2\pi(\delta_{H1} - J_{HH}/2)t_1 \cos 2\pi(\delta_{H1} + J_{HH}/2)t_2 \\
 & + H_1 \cos 2\pi(\delta_{H1} - J_{HH}/2)t_1 \cos 2\pi(\delta_{H1} - J_{HH}/2)t_2
 \end{aligned}$$

## 2D NMR: COSY

The second four have alternating signs (**anti-phase**), different chemical shifts ( $\delta_{H1}$  and  $\delta_{H2}$ ) in the two dimensions (**cross peaks**) and all result from sine functions



$$\begin{aligned}
 & + H_2 \sin 2\pi(\delta_{H1} + J_{HH}/2) t_1 \sin 2\pi(\delta_{H2} + J_{HH}/2) t_2 \\
 & - H_2 \sin 2\pi(\delta_{H1} + J_{HH}/2) t_1 \sin 2\pi(\delta_{H2} - J_{HH}/2) t_2 \\
 & - H_2 \sin 2\pi(\delta_{H1} - J_{HH}/2) t_1 \sin 2\pi(\delta_{H2} + J_{HH}/2) t_2 \\
 & + H_2 \sin 2\pi(\delta_{H1} - J_{HH}/2) t_1 \sin 2\pi(\delta_{H2} - J_{HH}/2) t_2
 \end{aligned}$$

## 2D NMR: COSY

We thus have a problem with phase

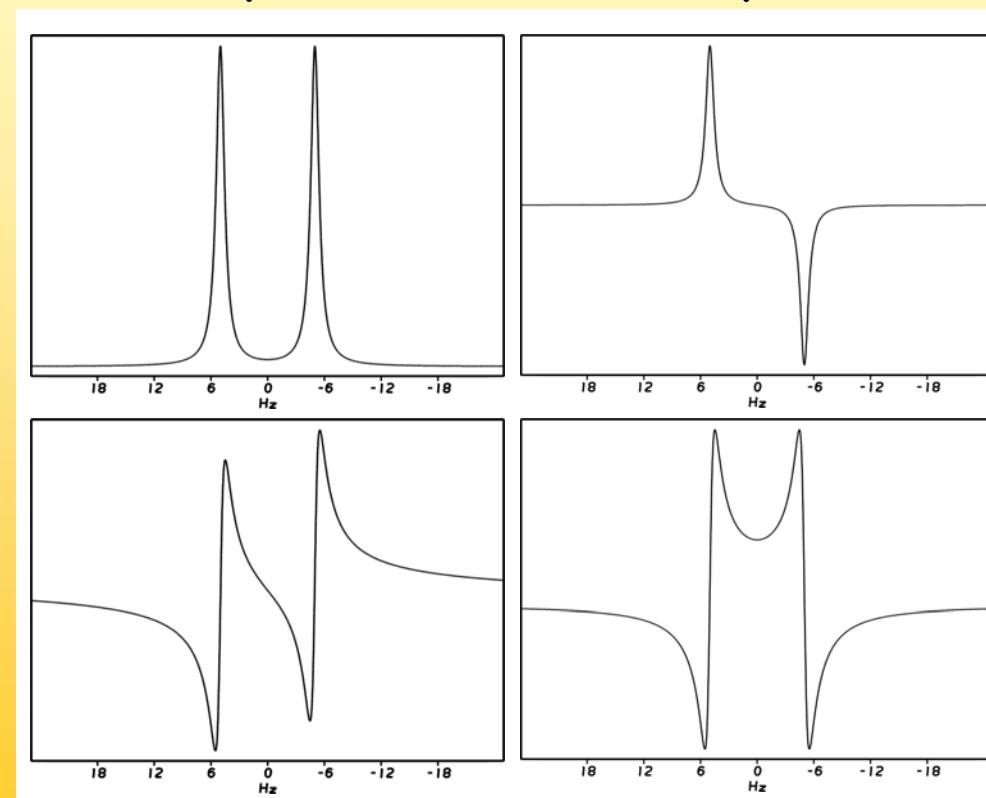
in-phase

anti-phase

absorbtiv

$\Delta\phi = 90^\circ$   
cos vs. sin

dispersiv



## 2D NMR: COSY

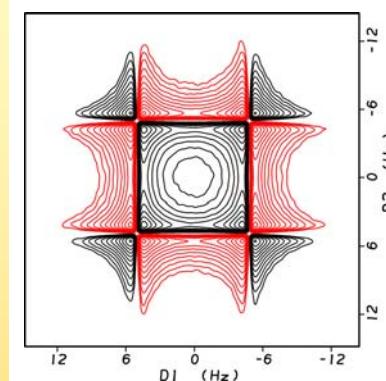
either

diagonal peak  
absorptiv,  
cross peak  
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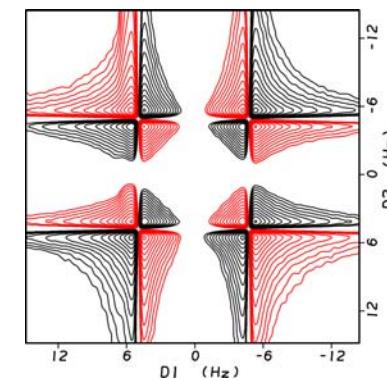
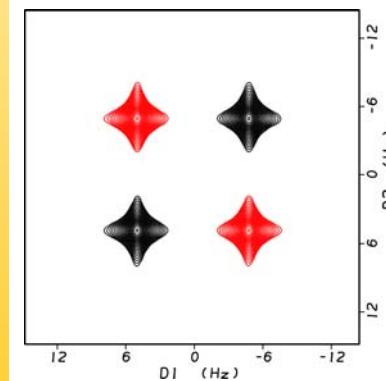
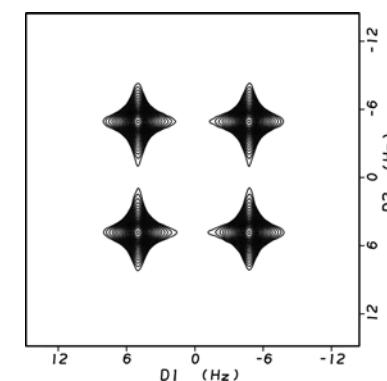
or

diagonal peak  
dispersiv,  
cross peak  
absorptiv

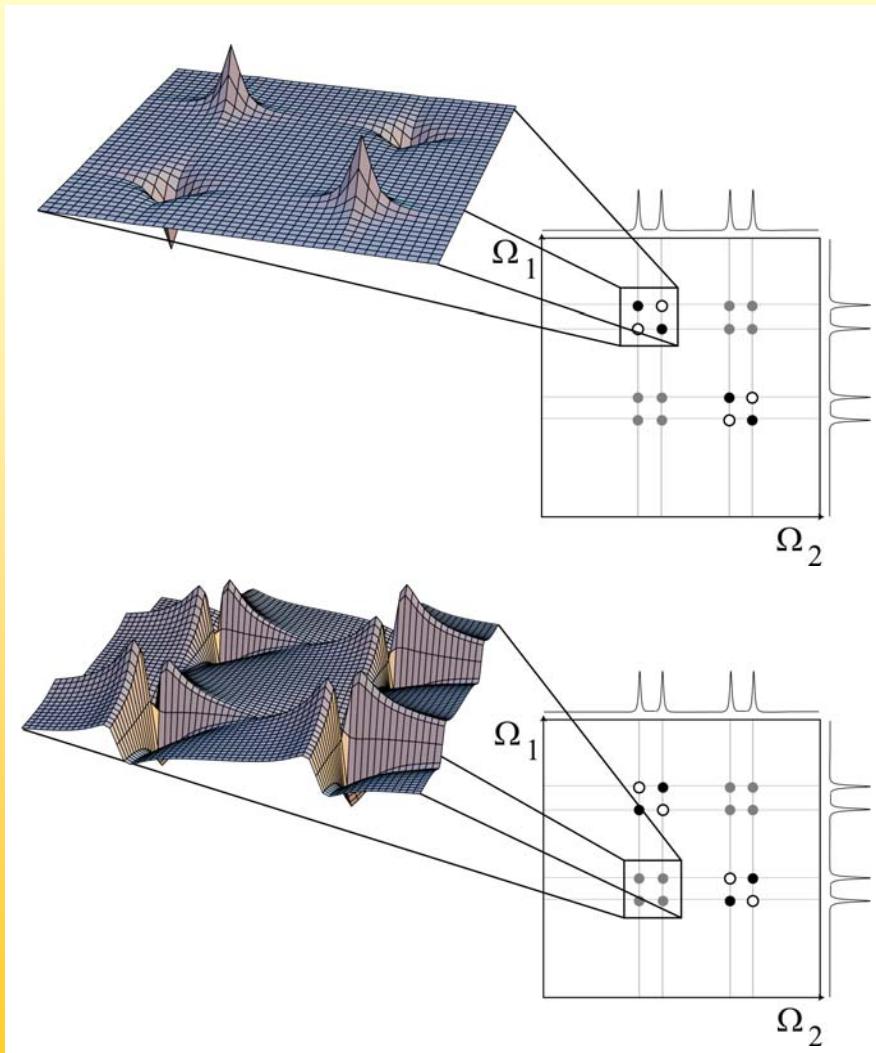
cross peak



diagonal peak



## 2D NMR: COSY

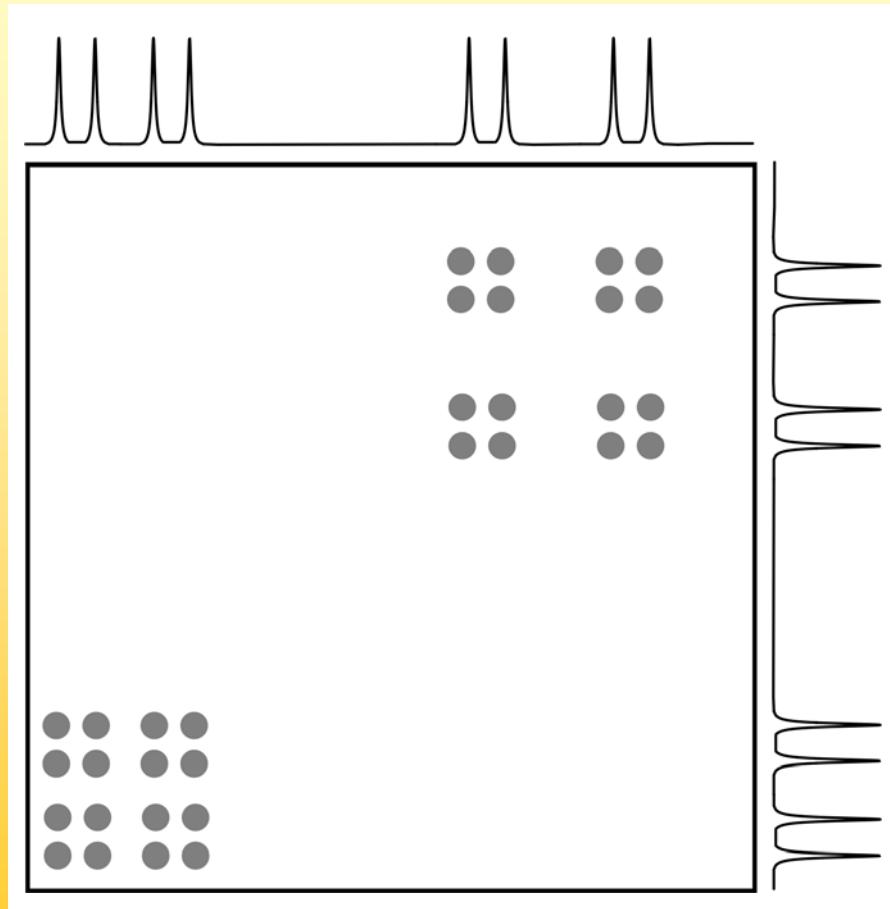


That means:  
either

the diagonal is broad and  
the cross peaks can vanish  
because of overlap

or  
the cross peaks are broad  
and the signals with  
different signs cancel

## 2D NMR: COSY



In the regular COSY  
the solution is a  
magnitude calculation

We have seen already  
that the DQF-COSY is  
another solution for  
that problem

# That's it

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