

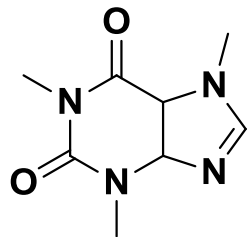
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Introduction to $^1\text{H-NMR}$ Spectroscopy Part I

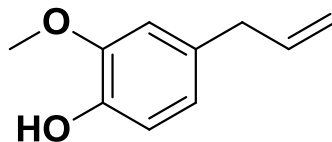
Main topics

- Equivalent/non-equivalent protons
- Interpreting simple $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectra
- Spin-spin coupling, $n+1$ rule

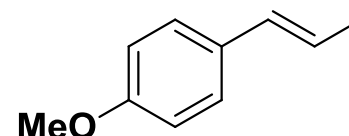
How do we know the structure of these molecules?



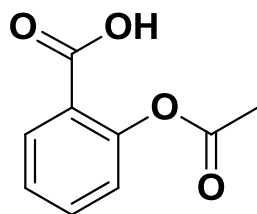
Caffeine



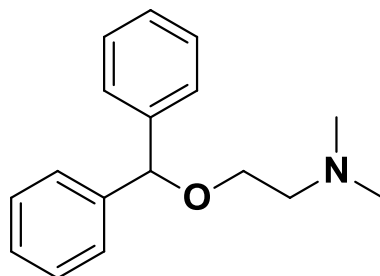
Eugenol



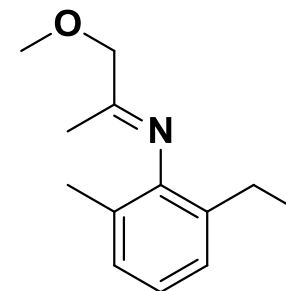
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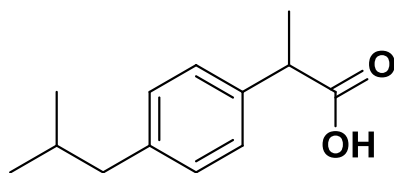
Aspirin



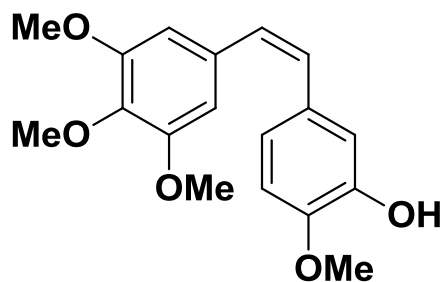
Diphenhydramine



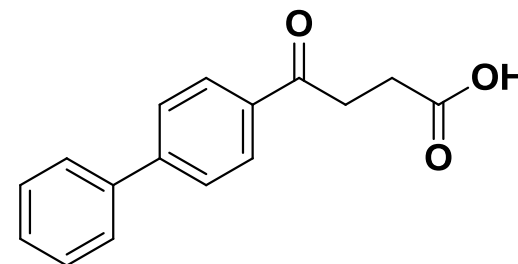
Herbicide precursor



Ibuprofen



Combretastatin A-4



Fenbufen (NSAID)

MS

Connectivity/Weight

NMR

Detailed connectivity

IR

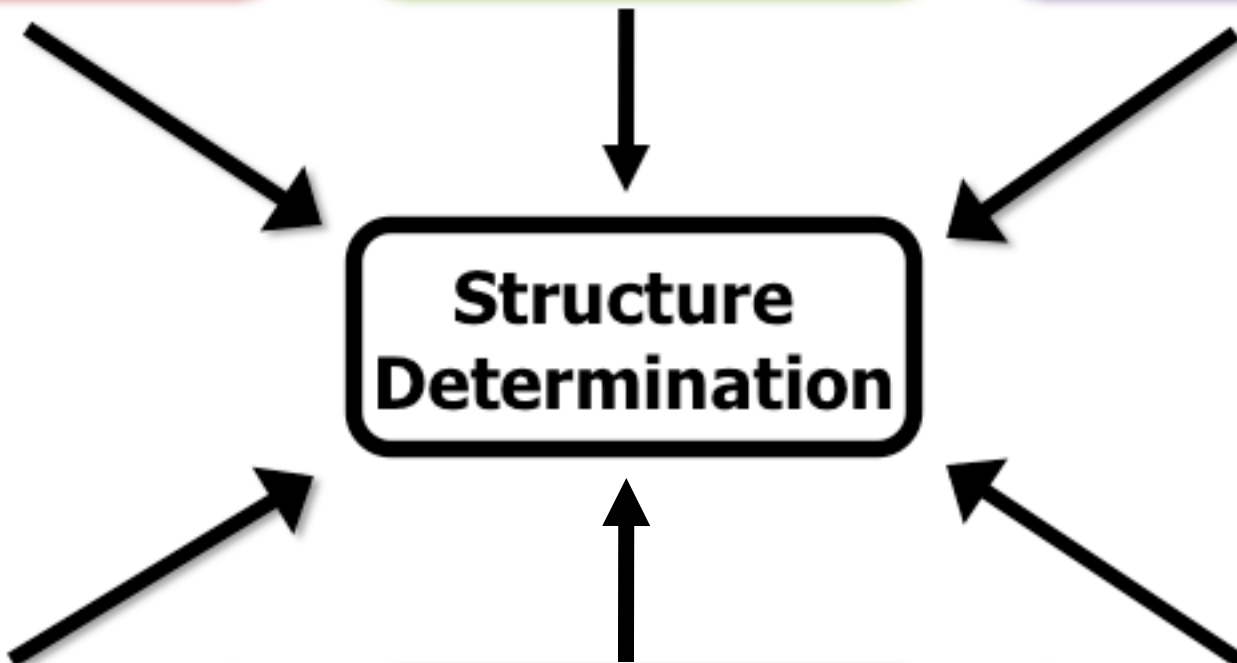
Functional groups

**Structure
Determination**

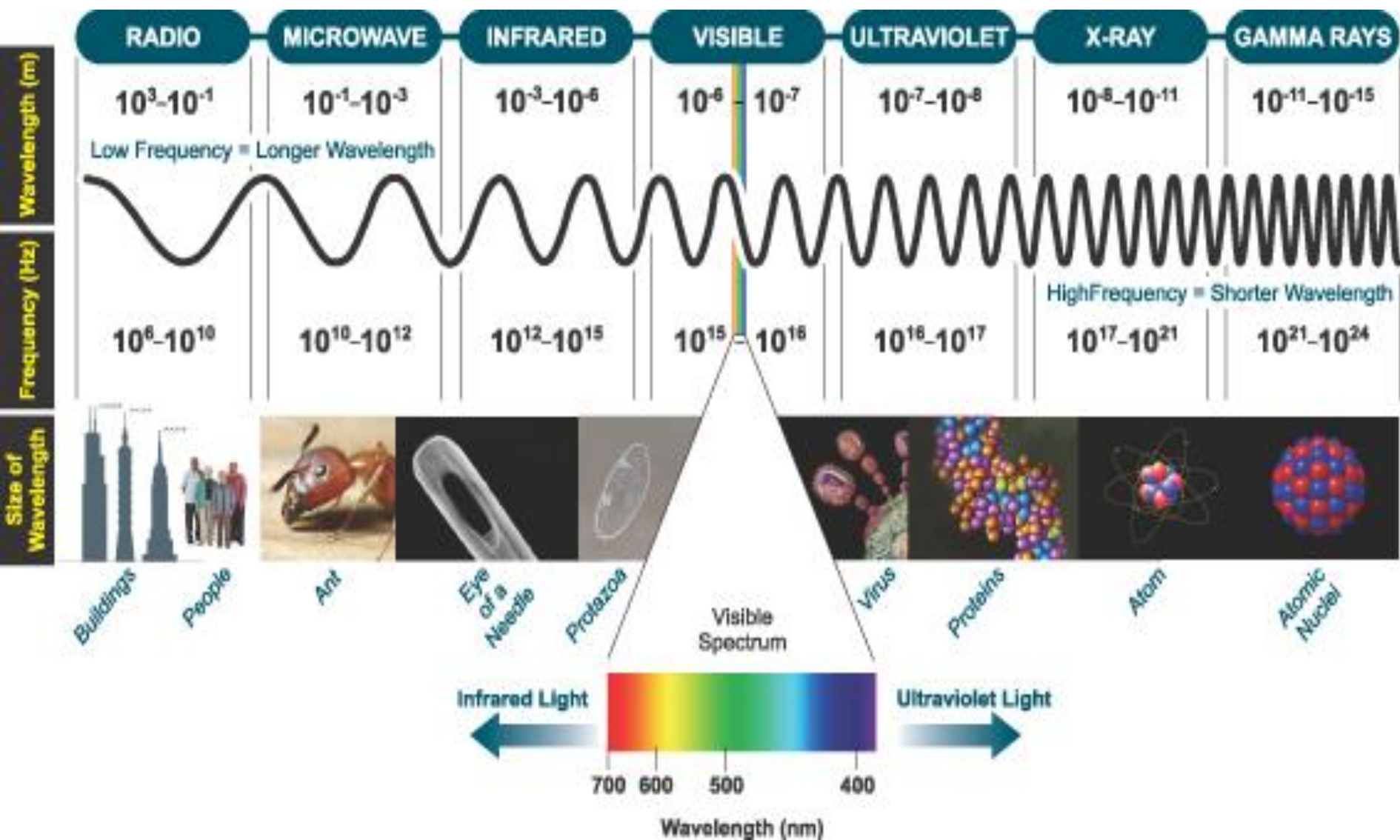
**UV-vis, Raman
EPR, others**

**Molecular
Modeling**

**X-ray
diffraction**



$E = h\nu$ $E = \text{energy (kJ/mol)}$
 $\nu = \text{frequency (Hz)}$, $h = \text{Planck constant}$

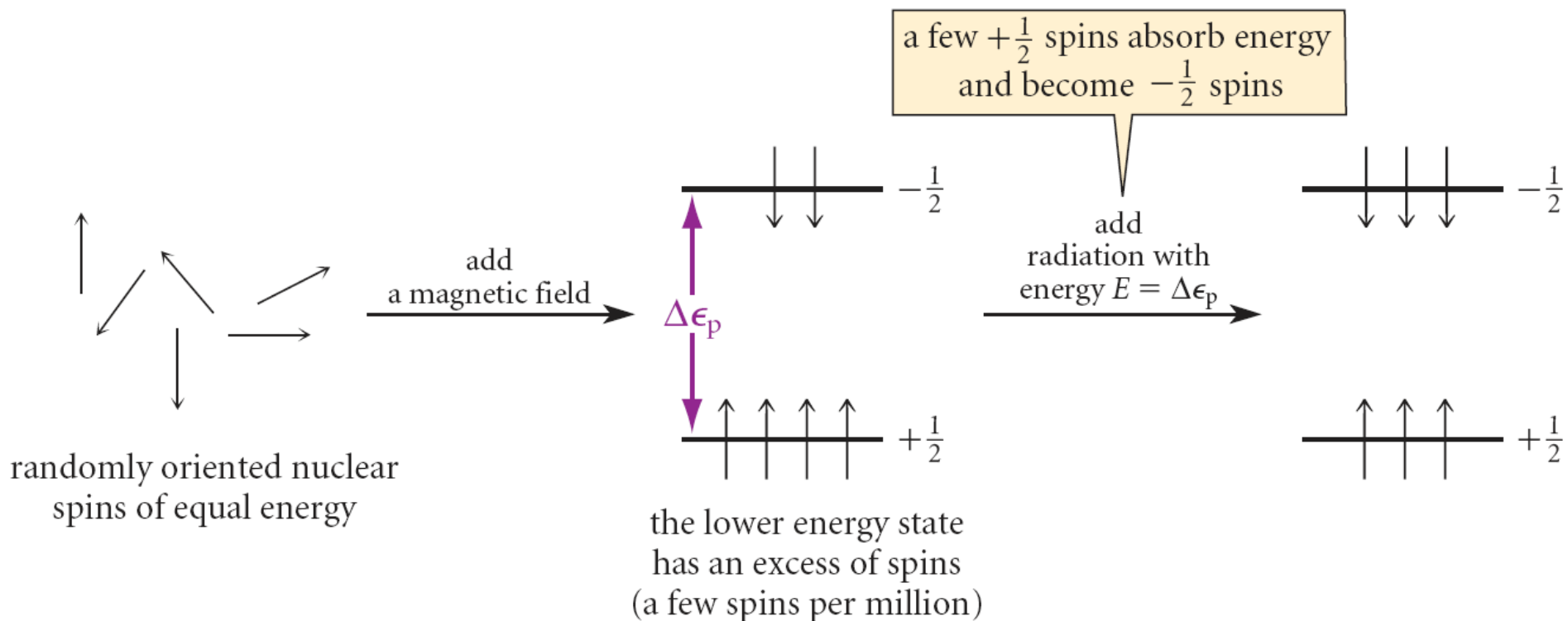


Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR)

Spin $\frac{1}{2}$ nuclei ^1H , ^{13}C , ^{19}F , ^{29}Si , ^{31}P

NMR active, easy to do, widely used

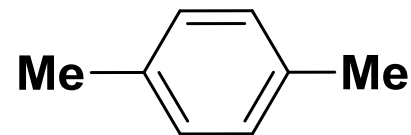
Nuclei behave like a bar magnet



The ^1H -NMR spectrum



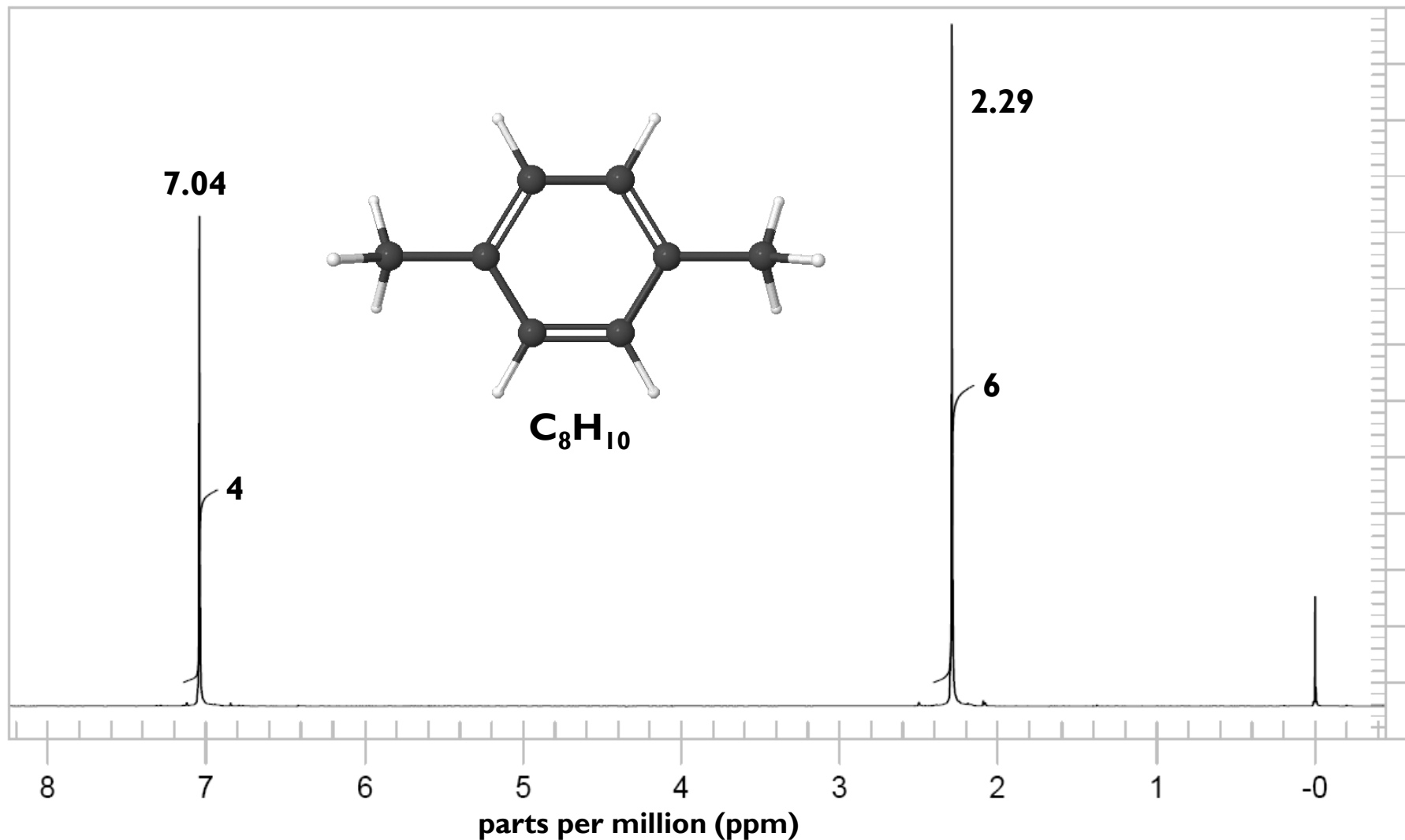
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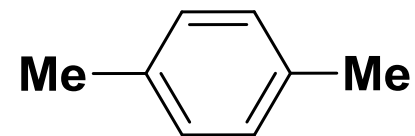
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(*para*-Xylene)

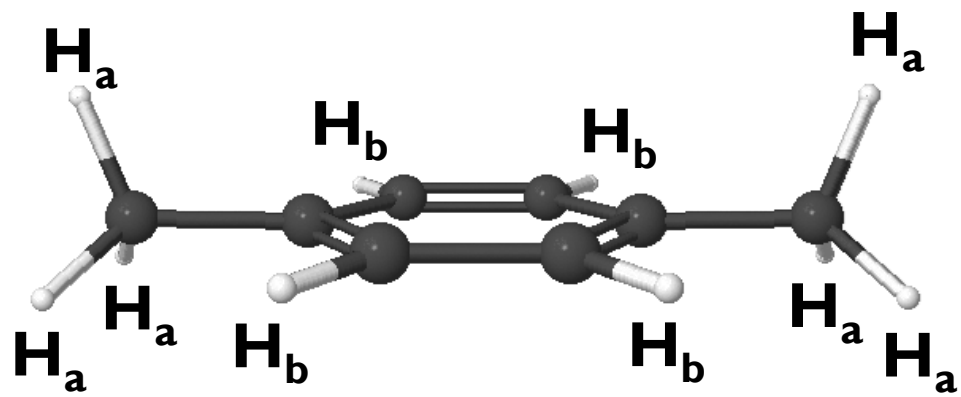
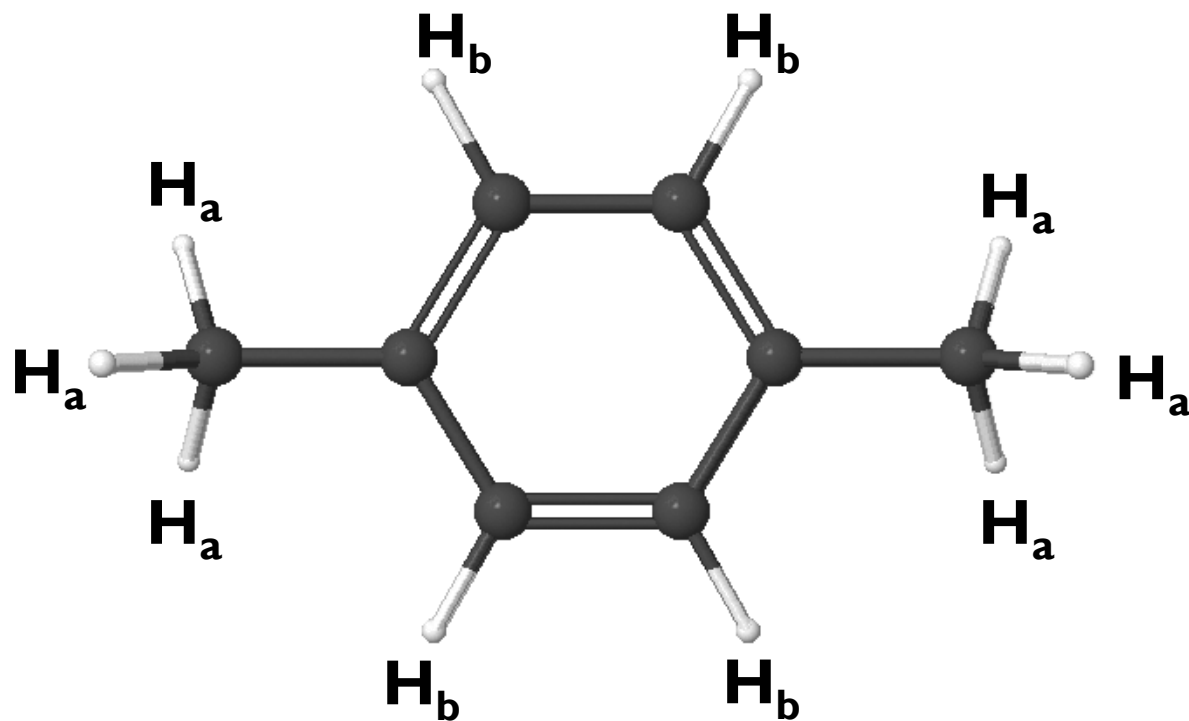
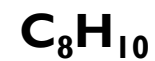
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Analyzing *para*-Xylene



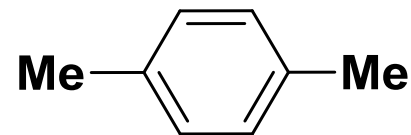
para-Xylene



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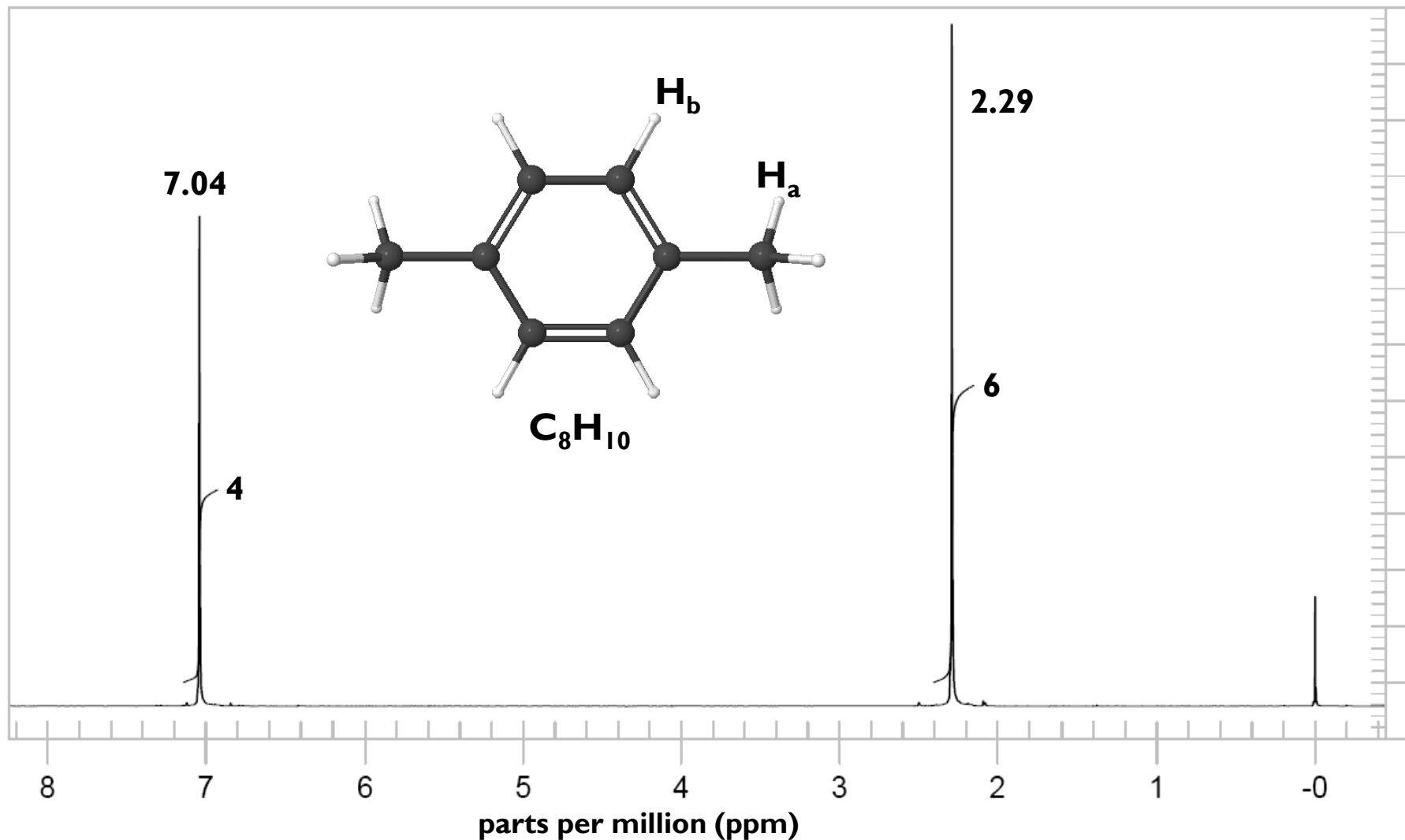
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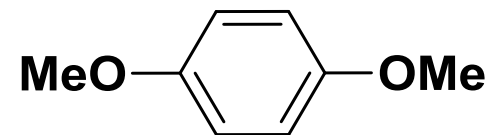
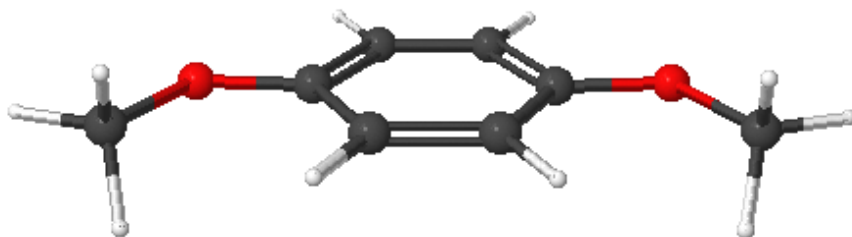


1,4-Dimethylbenzene

(*para*-Xylene)

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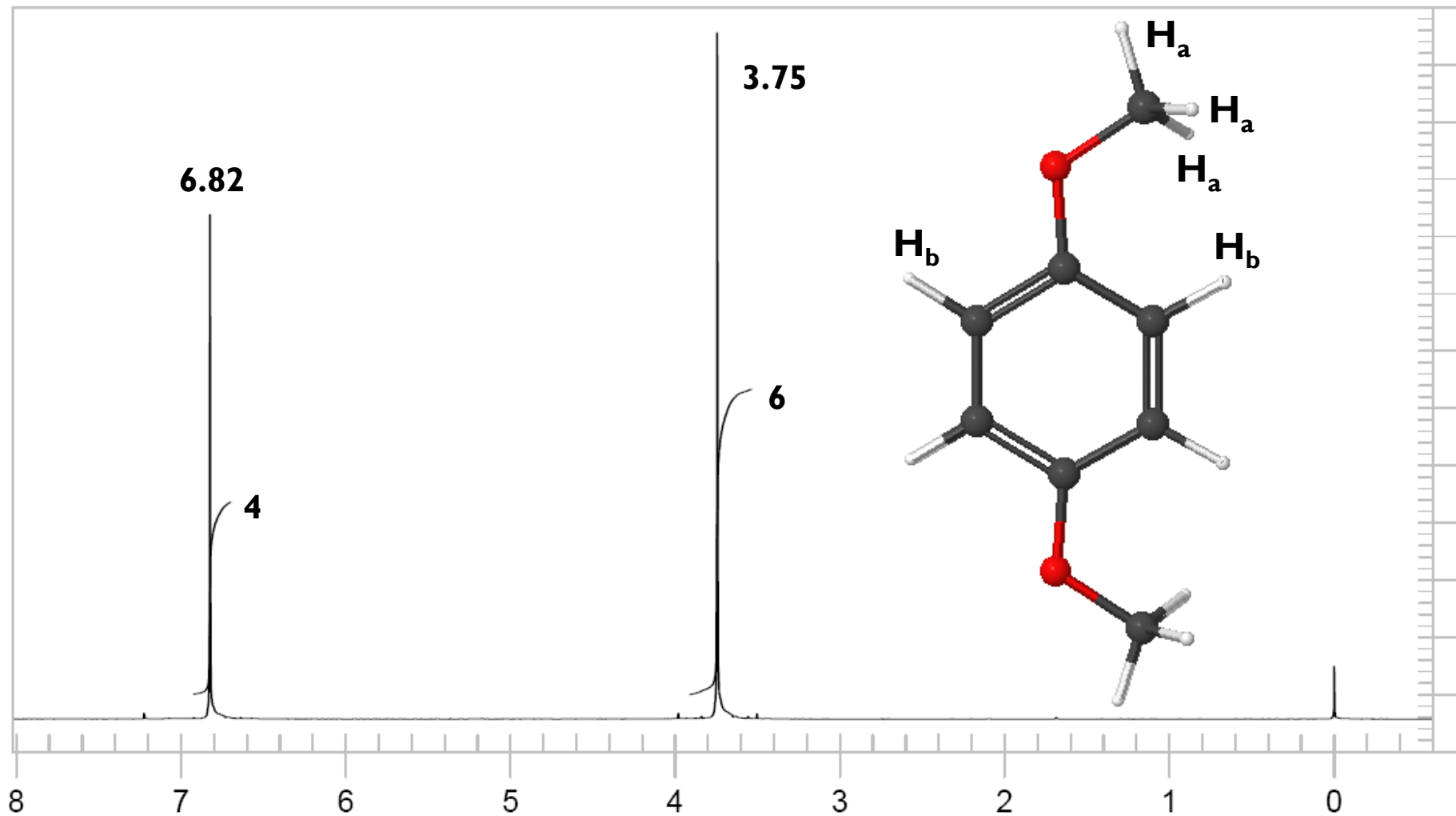


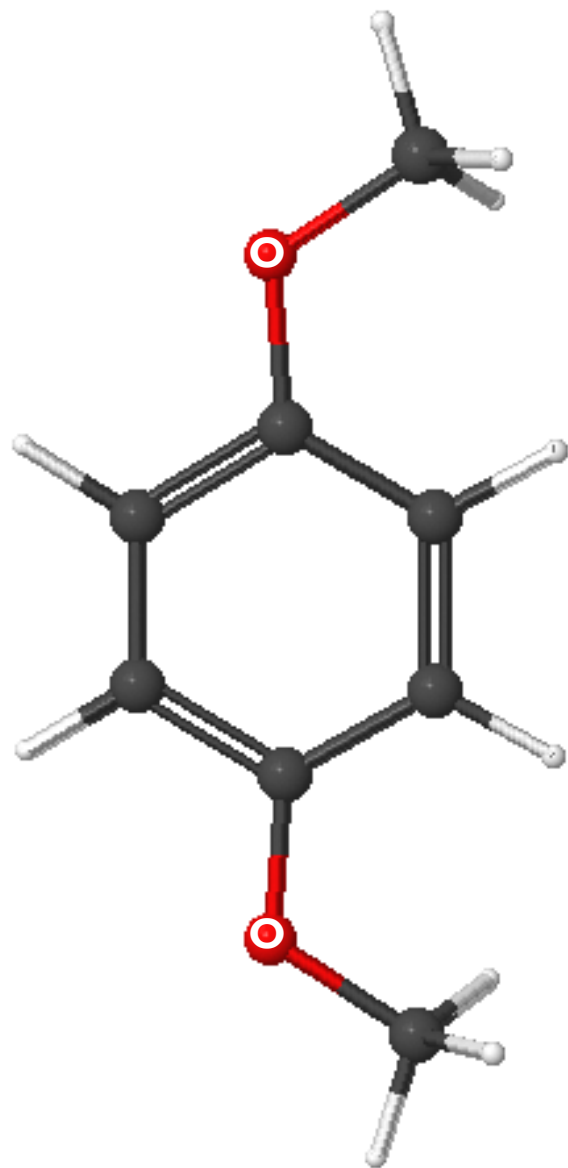
1,4-Dimethoxybenzene



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Oxygen is a highly electronegative atom

Oxygen exerts a strong **electron-withdrawing** effect in the sigma-framework (i.e. along the C-O bond)

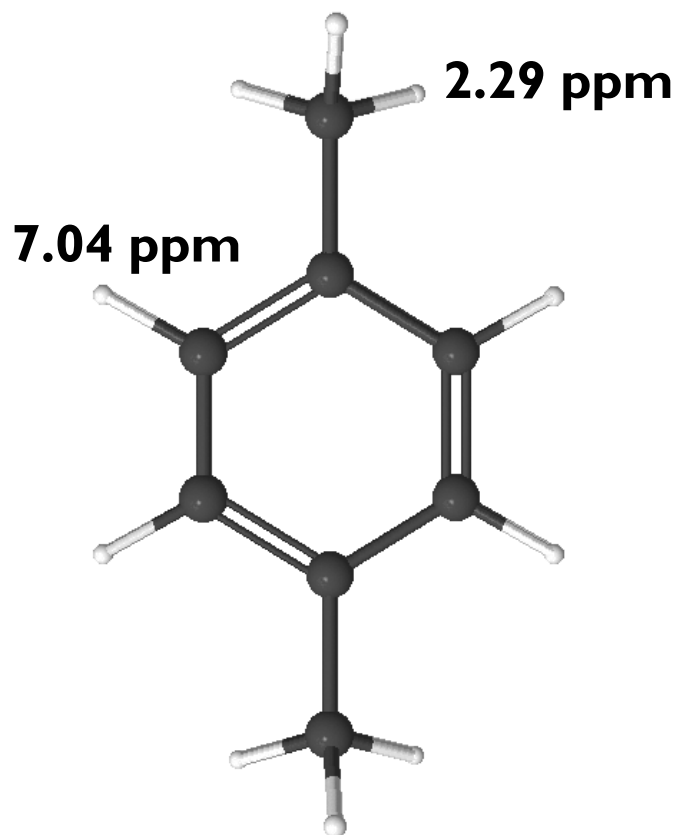
This **electron-withdrawing** effect reduces the degree of electron density around the Me-group C-atom

Electronegativity **O** = 3.44, **C** = 2.55, **H** = 2.20

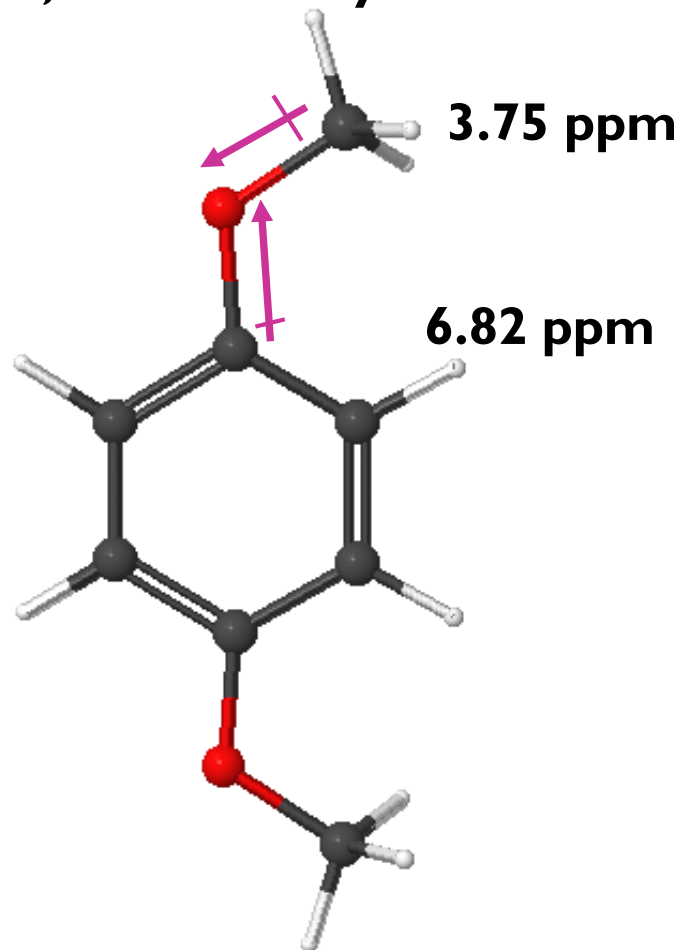
Shielding/deshielding are relative terms

The Me-group of 1,4-dimethoxybenzene is deshielded relative to the Me-group of 1,4-dimethylbenzene

1,4-Dimethylbenzene



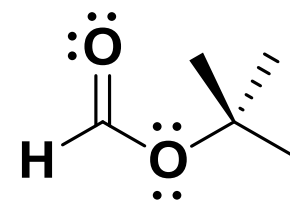
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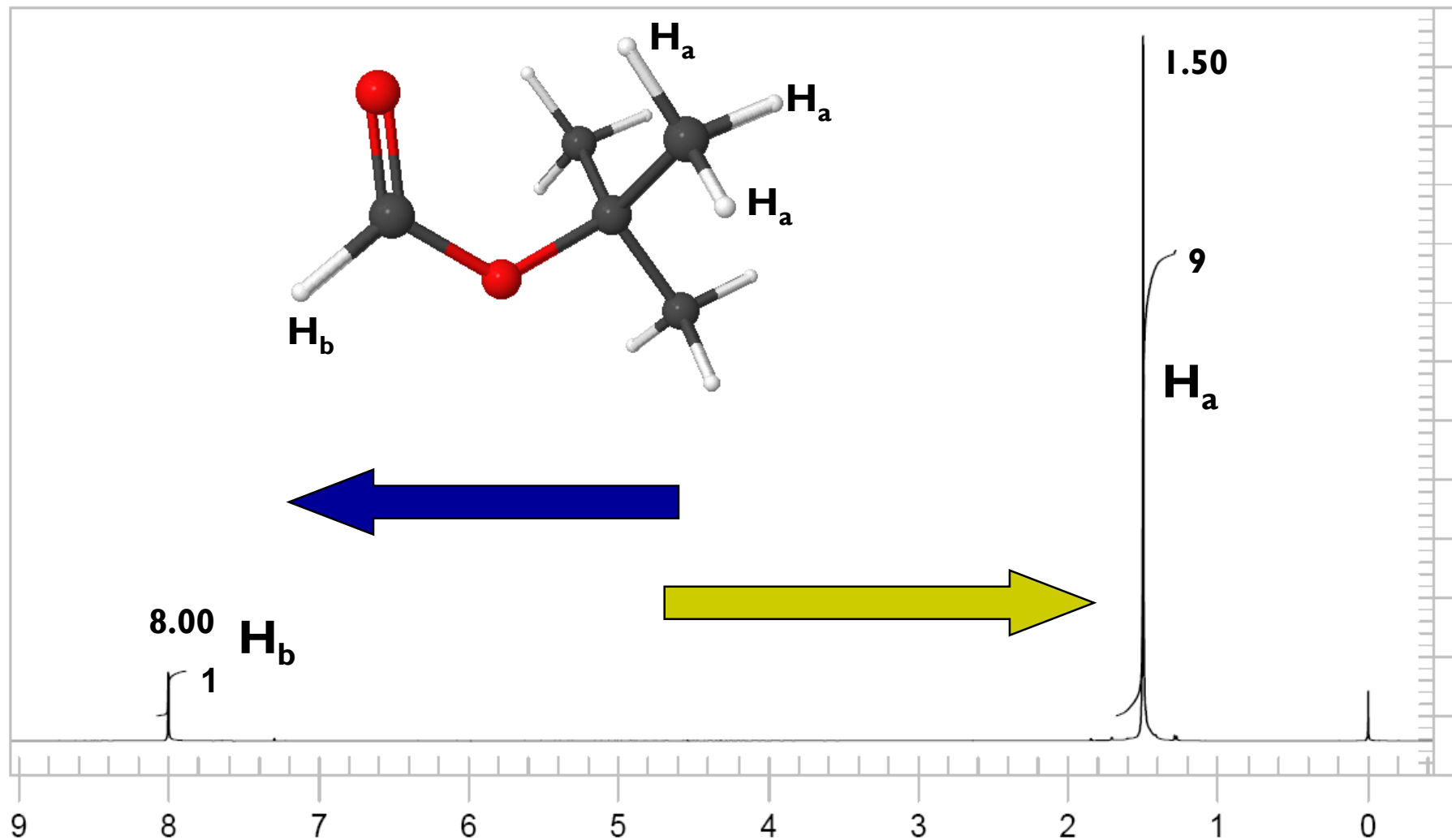


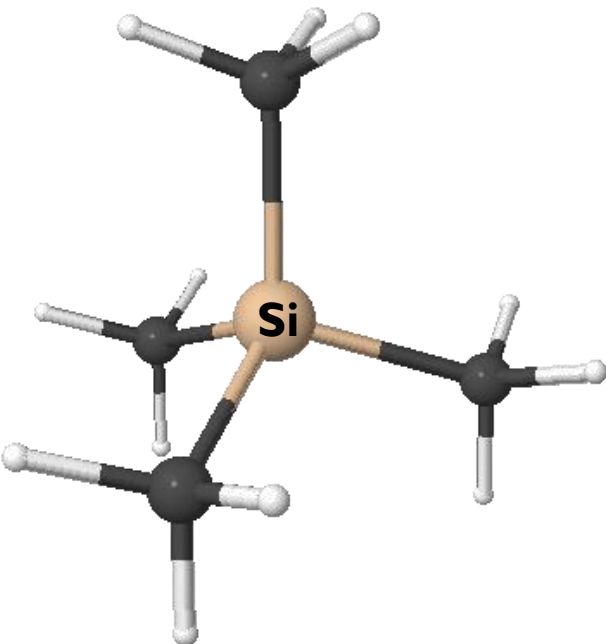
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tert-Butylformate

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$\text{SiMe}_4 = \text{TMS} = \text{Tetramethylsilane}$

0.00 ppm reference compound

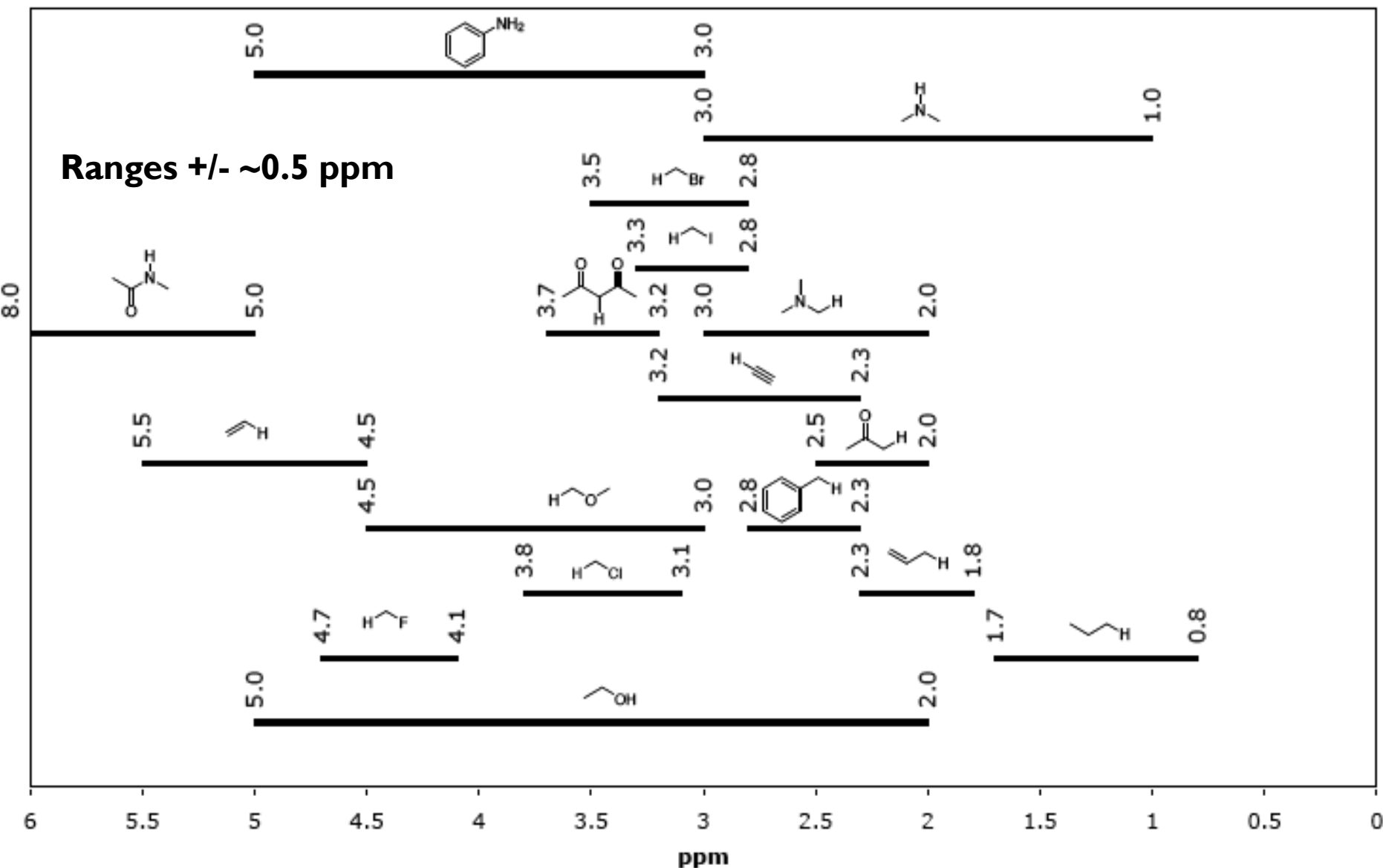
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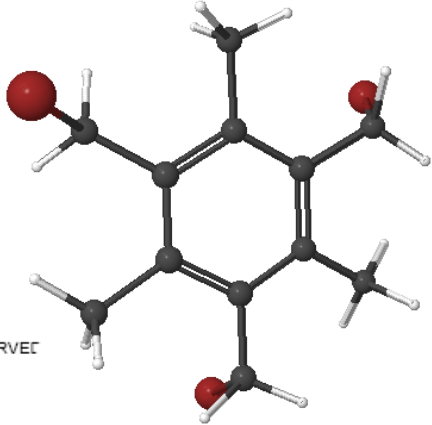
- **chemically inert (won't react with most molecules)**
- **protons are strongly shielded**
- **signal is strong and unsplit**
- **volatile (easily removed)**
- **inexpensive**

Don't assign the TMS signal as part of your molecule!

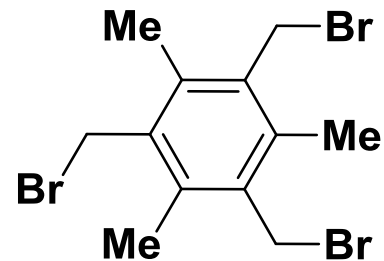
¹H-NMR Chemical Shift Table

Ranges +/- ~0.5 ppm





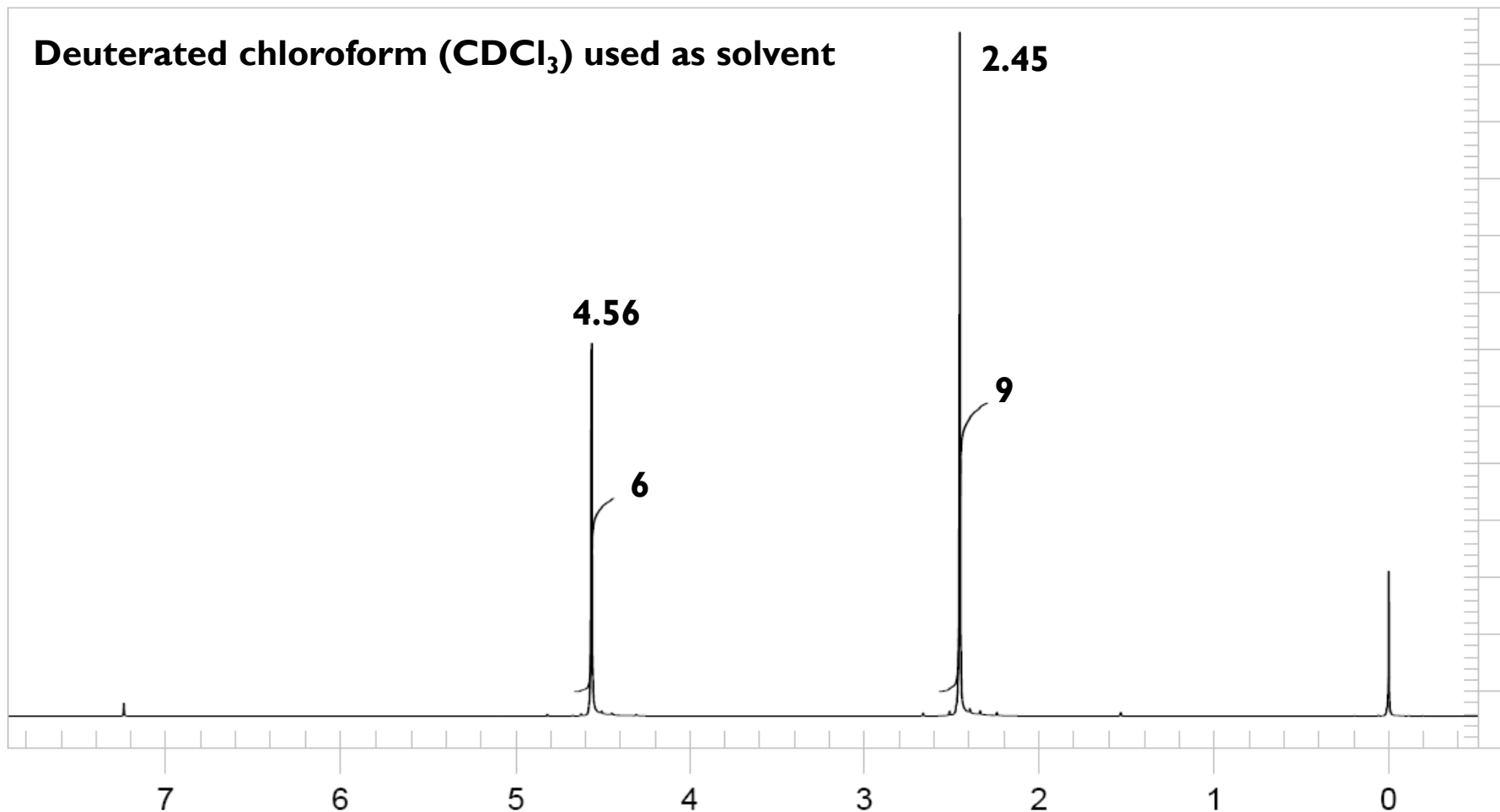
Electronegativity **Br** = 2.96
C = 2.55



2,4,6-Tris(bromomethyl)mesitylene

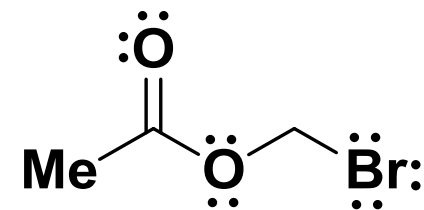
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Deuterated chloroform (CDCl_3) used as solvent



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Reporting $^1\text{H-NMR}$ data



Bromomethyl acetate



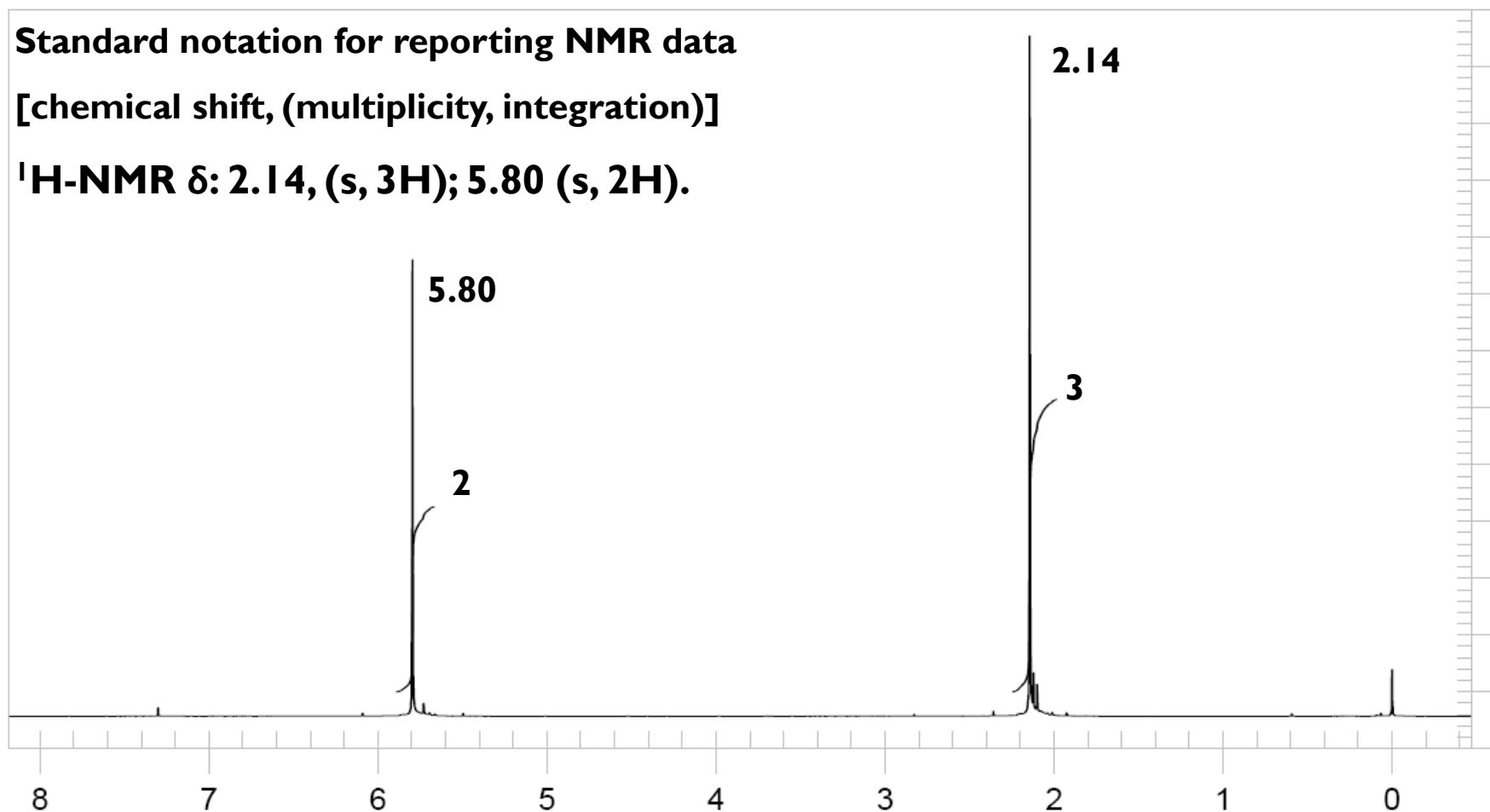
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Standard notation for reporting NMR data

[chemical shift, (multiplicity, integration)]

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ δ : 2.14, (s, 3H); 5.80 (s, 2H).

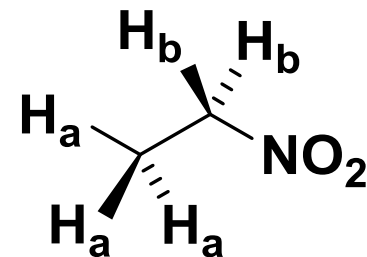


Spin-spin coupling

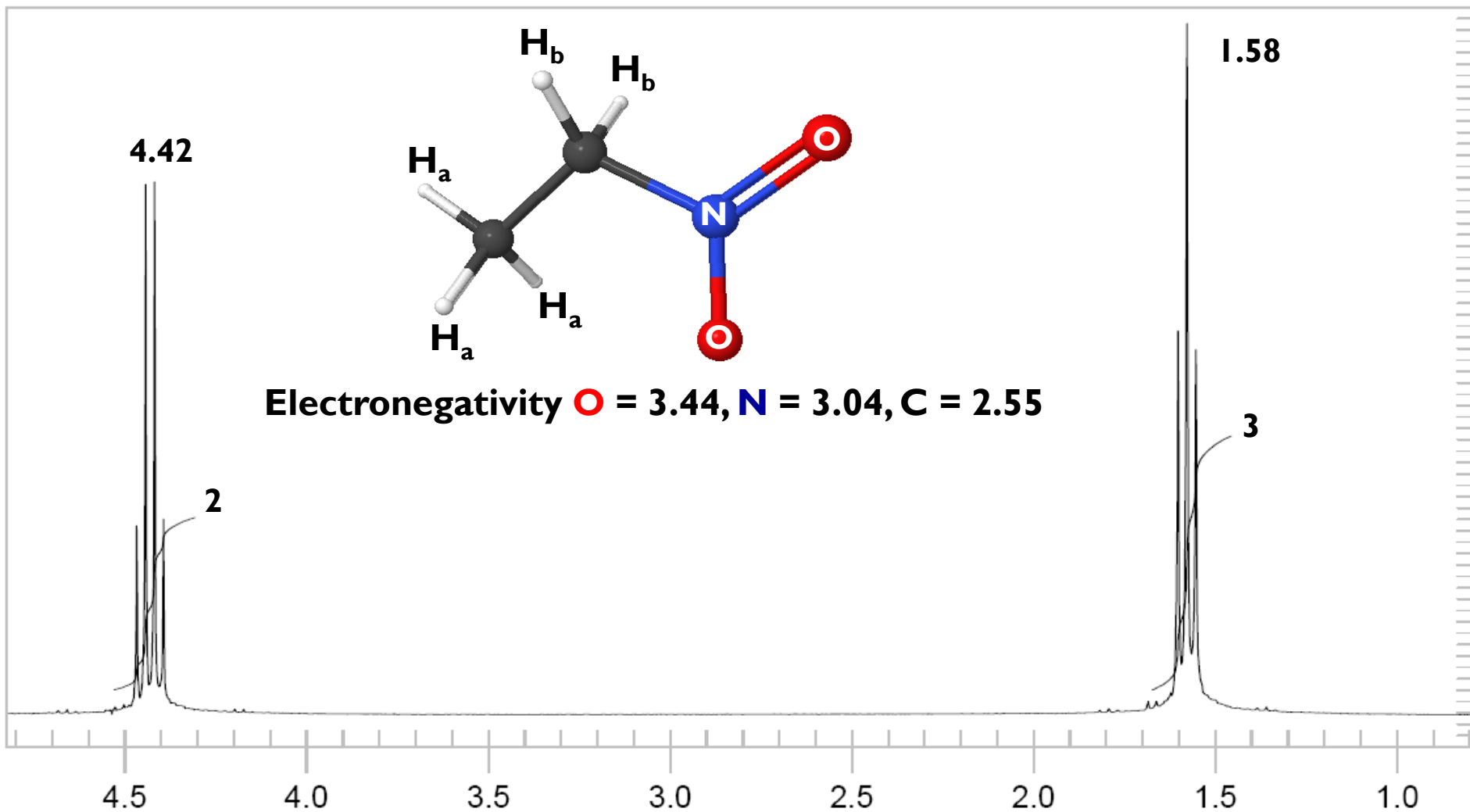


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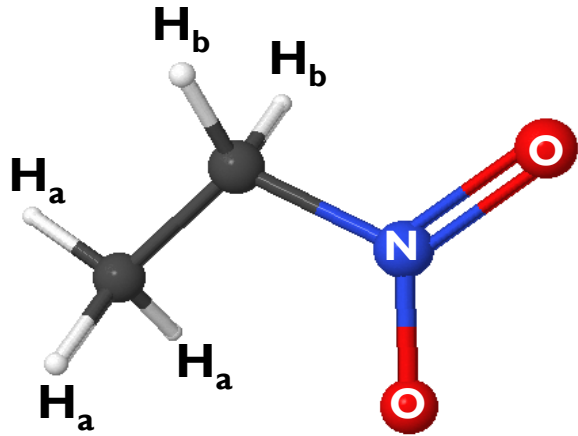
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Nitroethane



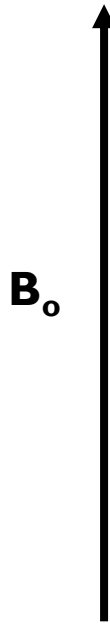
How do neighboring non-equivalent protons interact?



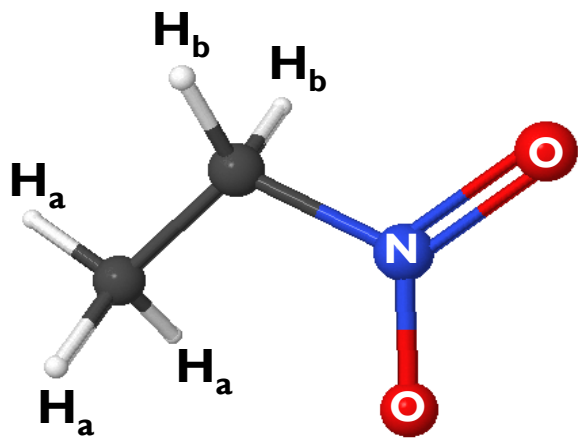
Consider how H_b protons interact with H_a protons

H_b protons align with or against direction of B_0

3 different combinations of H_b spin states



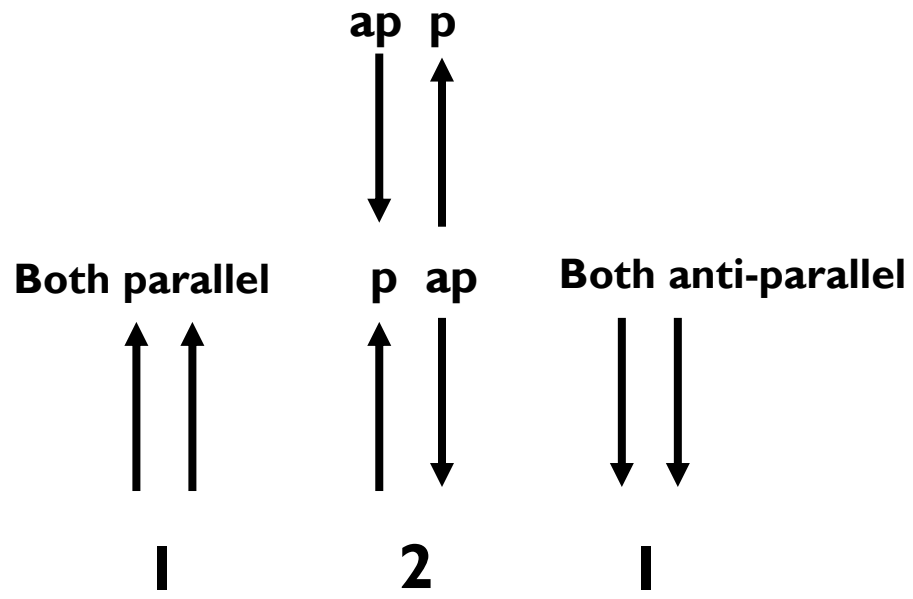
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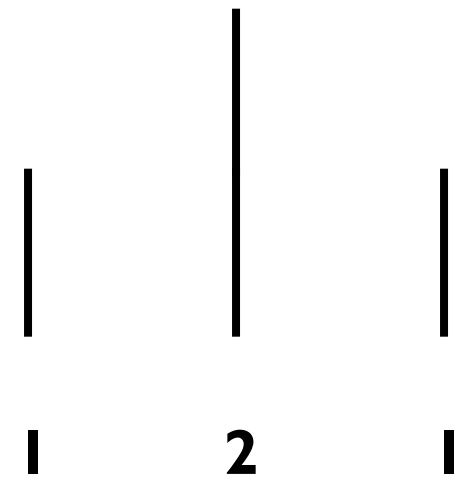
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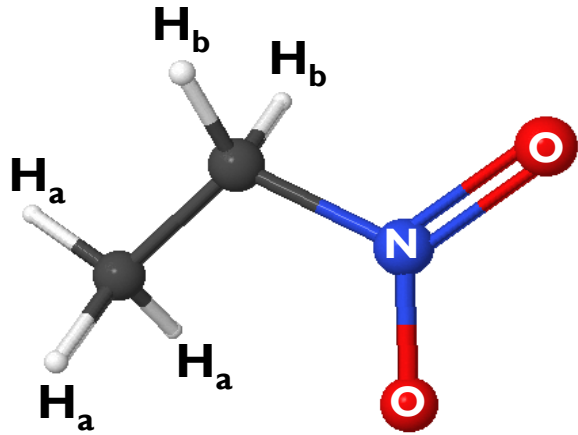
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Signal from H_a split into a 1:2:1 triplet by H_b

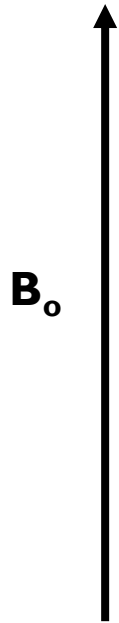


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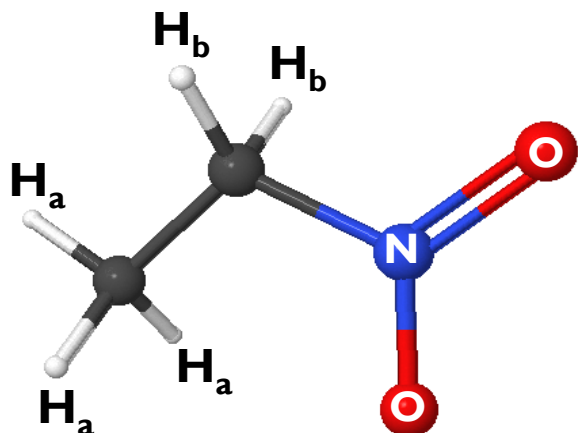


Consider how H_a protons interact with H_b protons

4 different combinations of H_a spin states

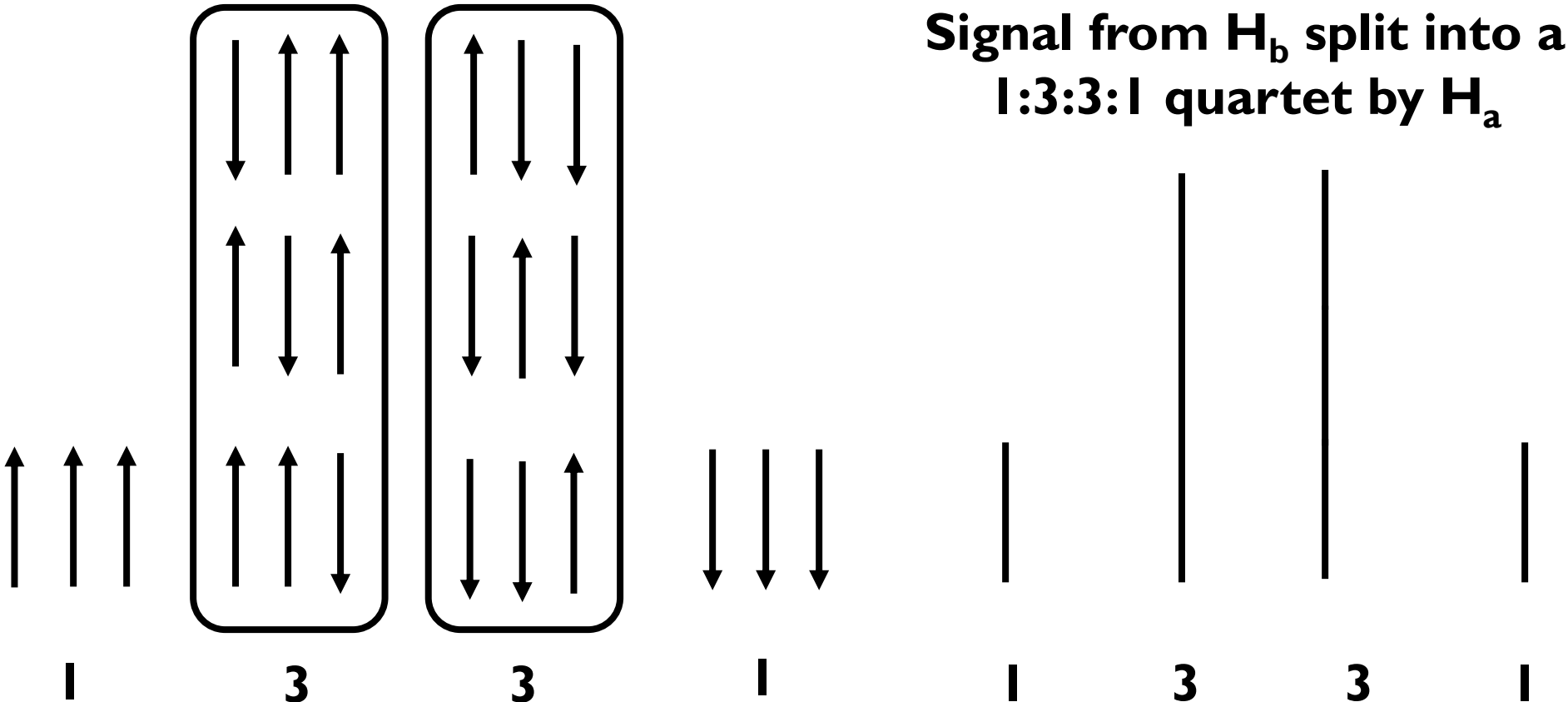


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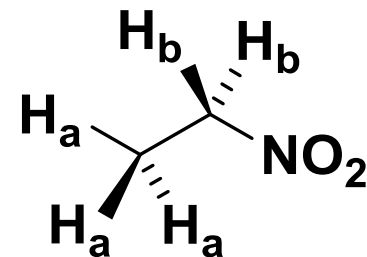


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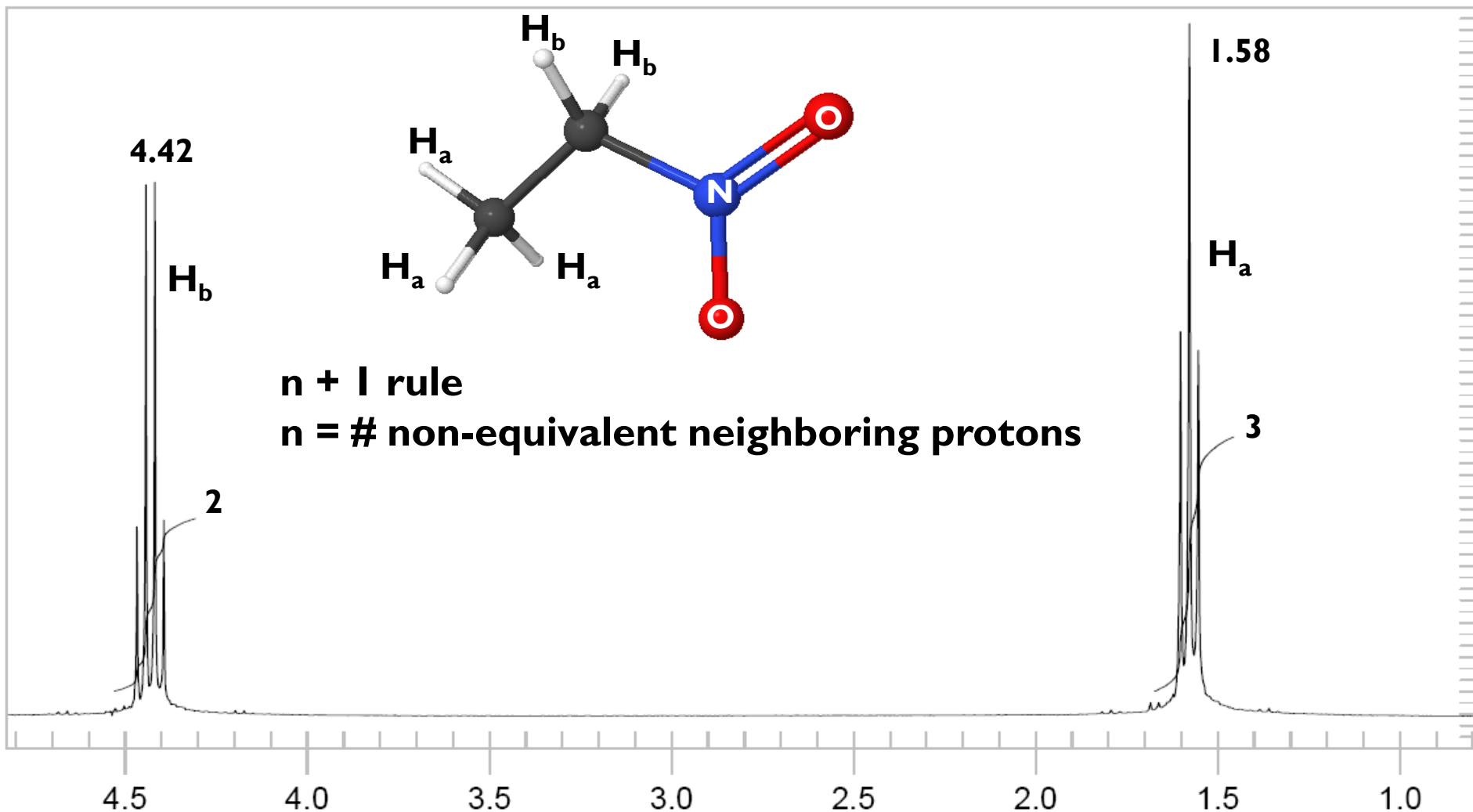


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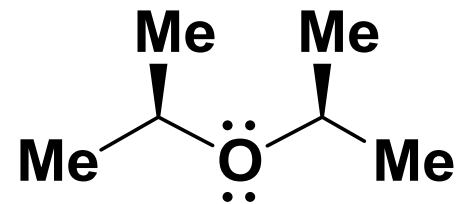
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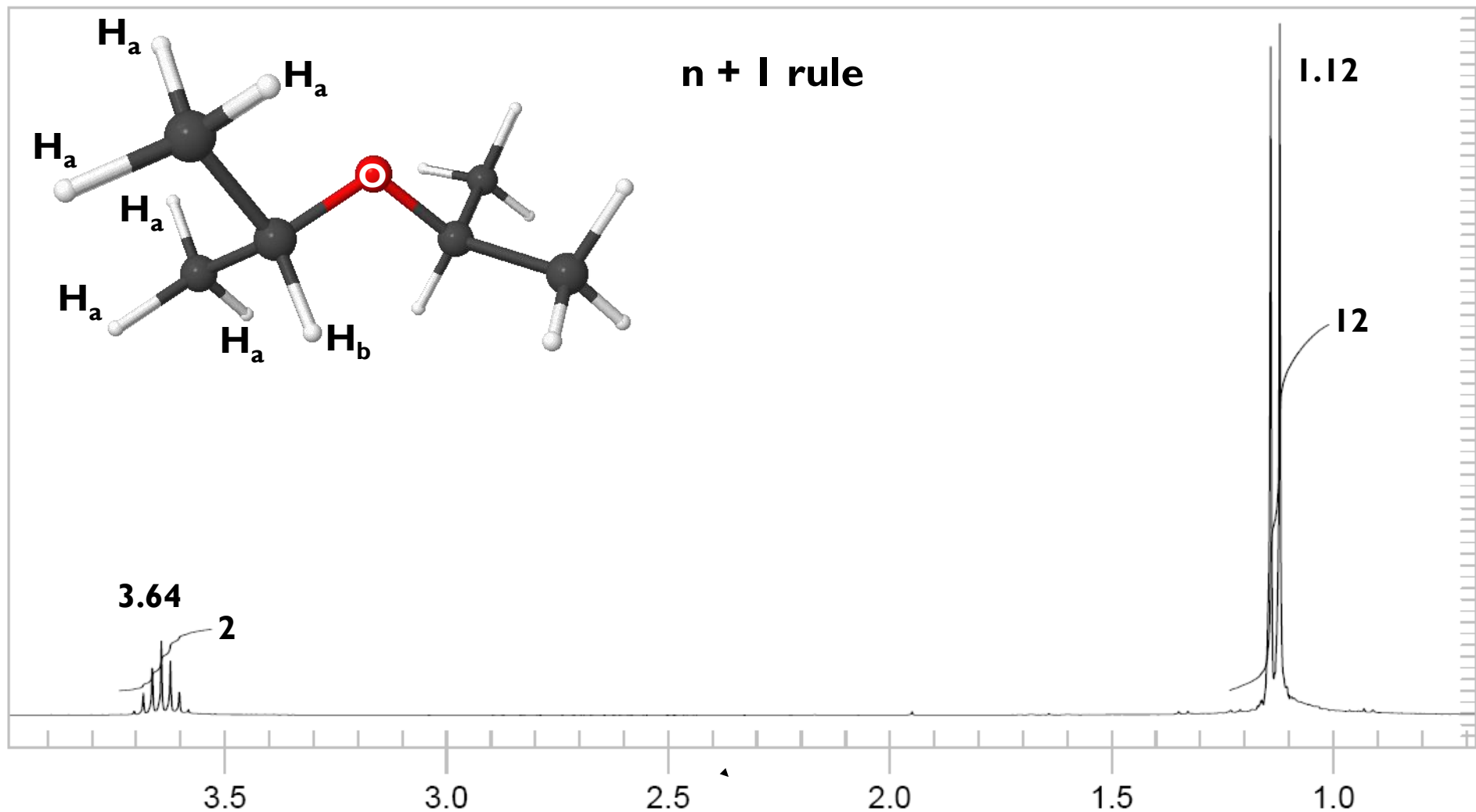


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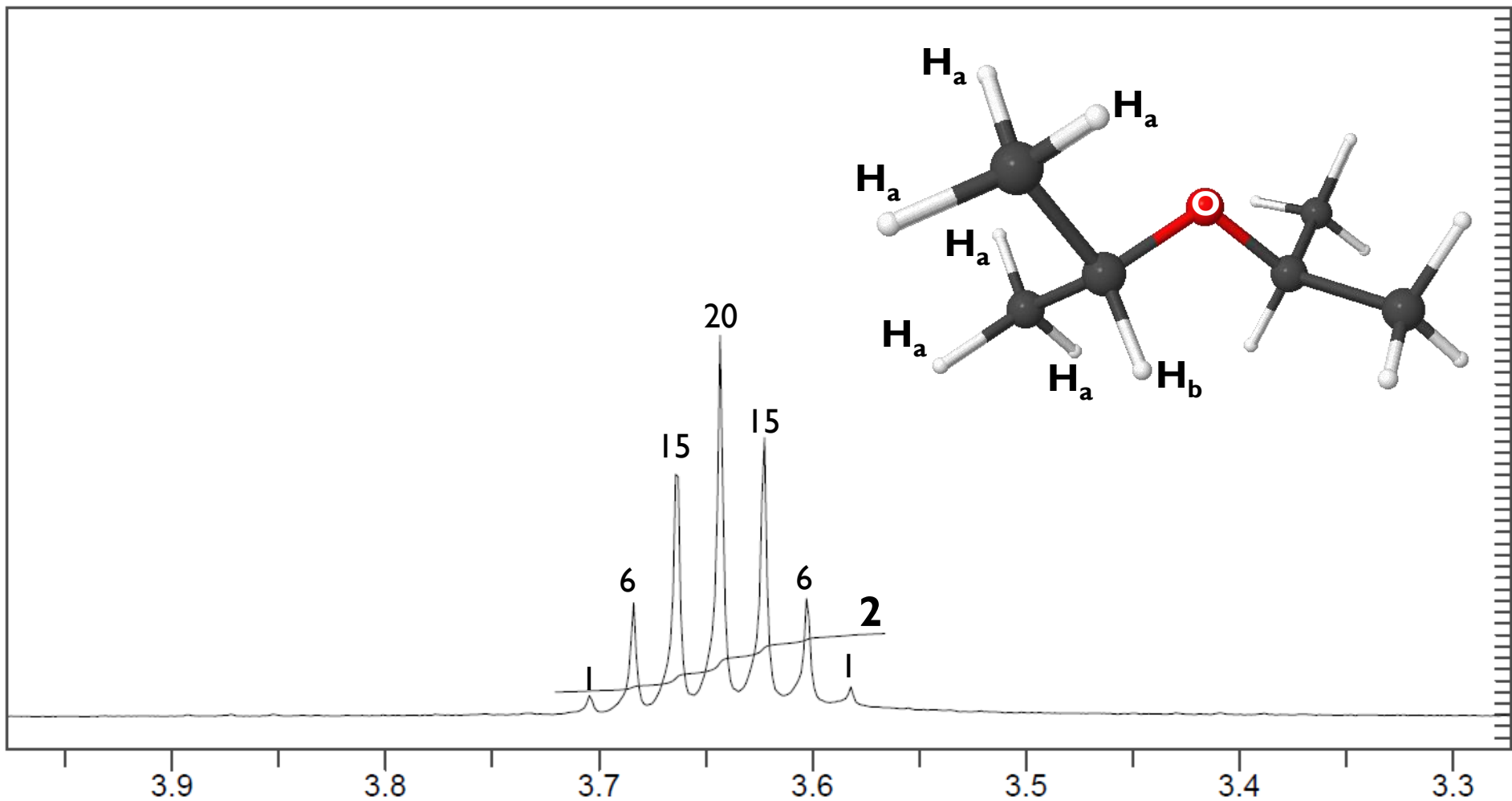


Diisopropylether

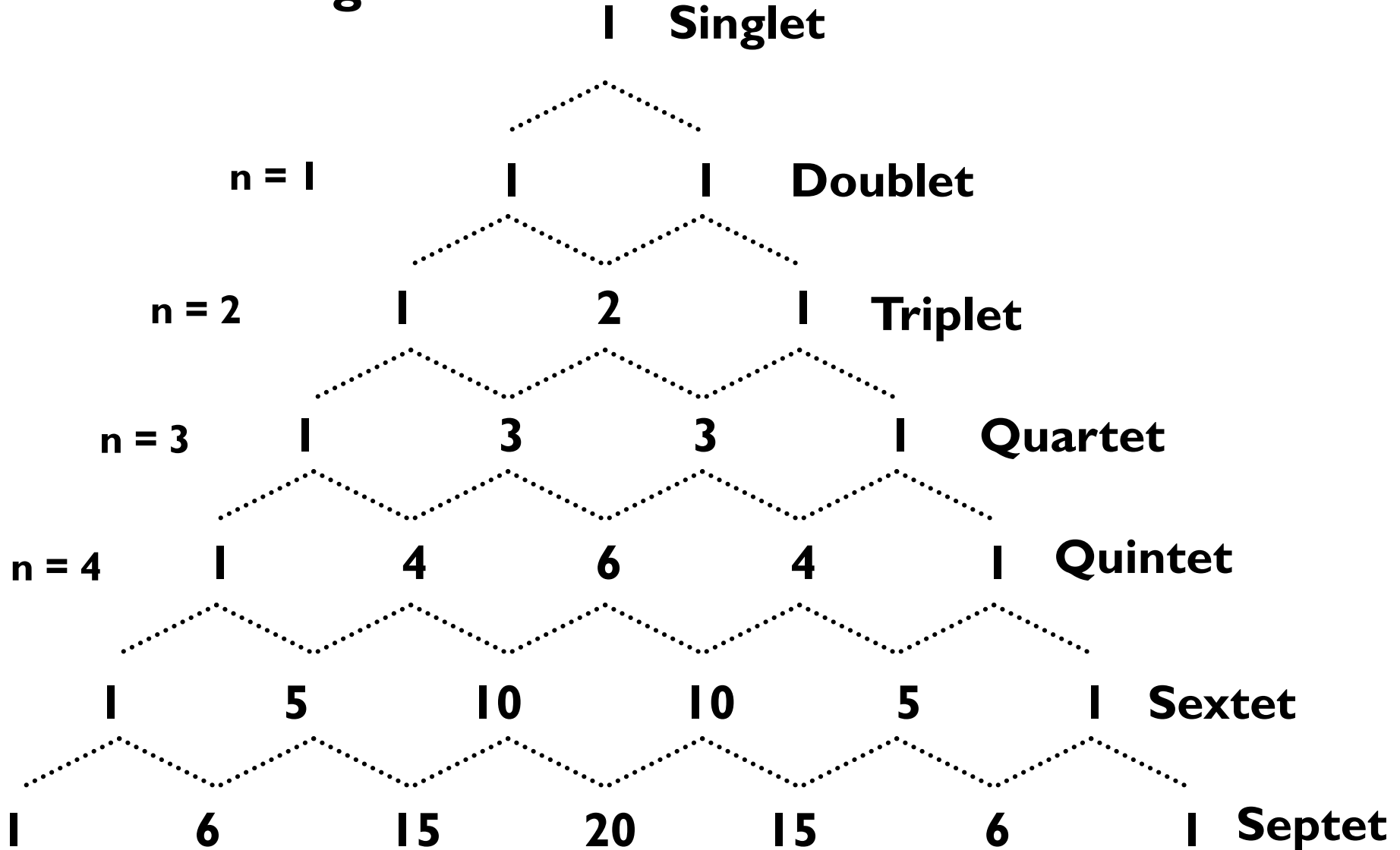


Coupling constant J (Hz) – indicates strength of coupling

J ~ 7 Hz for alkyl (sp³) systems



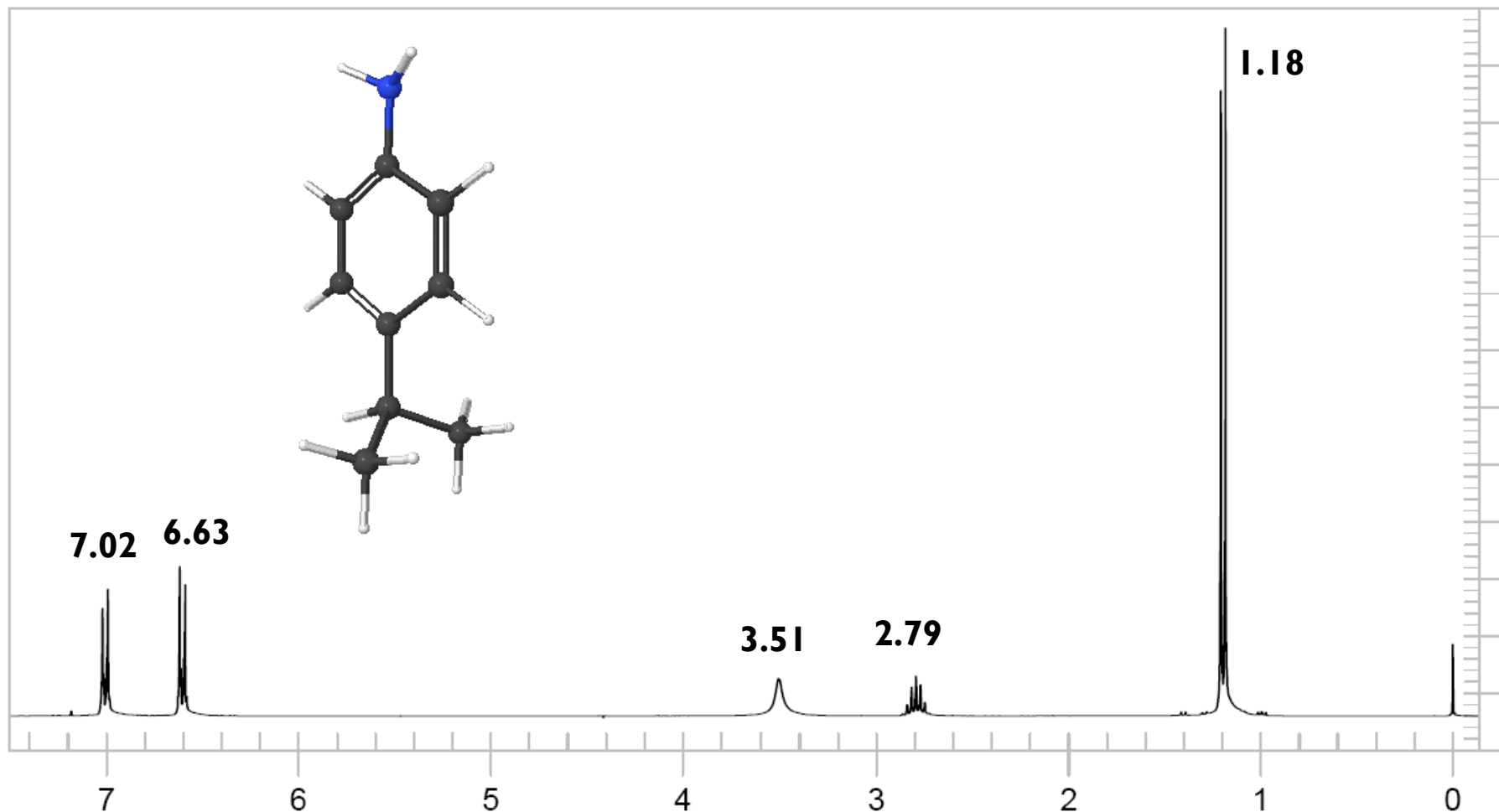
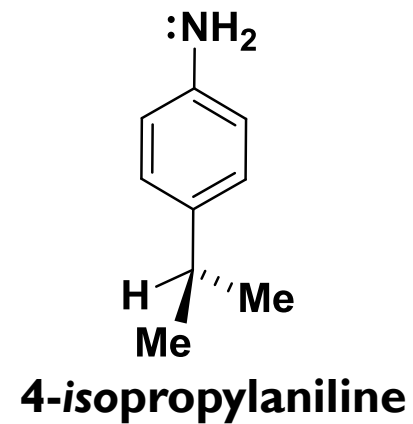
Pascal's Triangle





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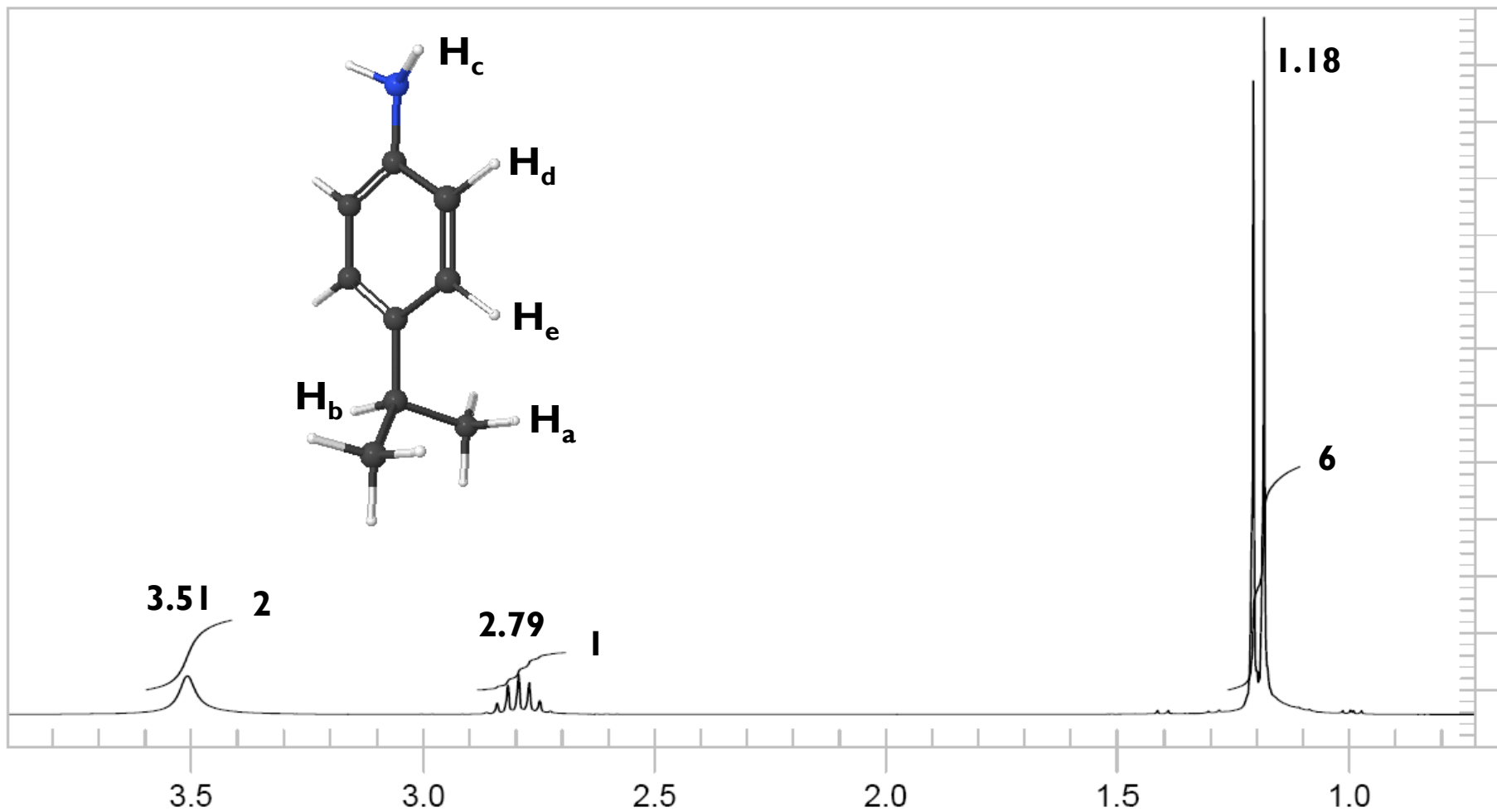
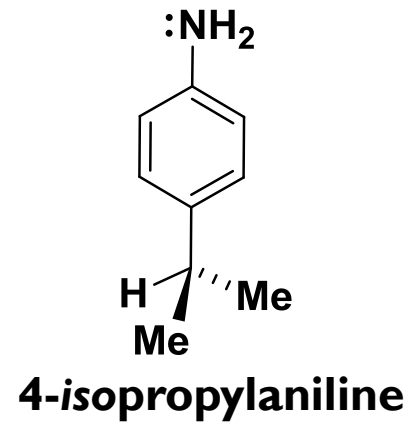
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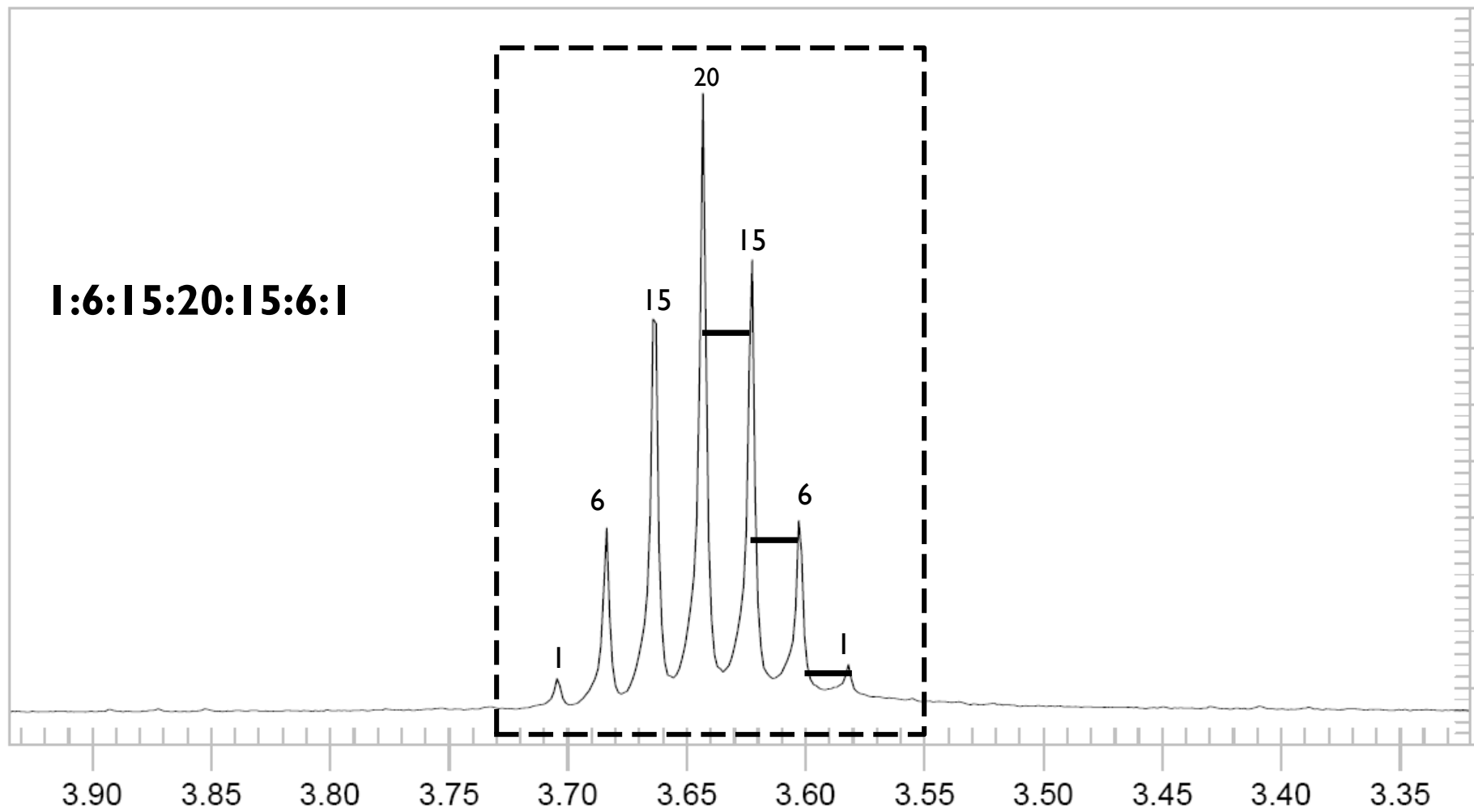
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