

Selective 1D Experiments in TopSpin

A. Preparation for selective 1D (sel1D) experiments:

1. The first issue — true also for 2D experiments — is to *always(!)* tune, shim and acquire sel1D experiments without sample spinning: **ro** ↵

Stop rotation and set the frequency = 0.

2. **atma** ↵ is fine, but do this with the sample spinning off.

3. **topshim gui** ↵

select **TUNE**¹ → After [this works better than Before]:

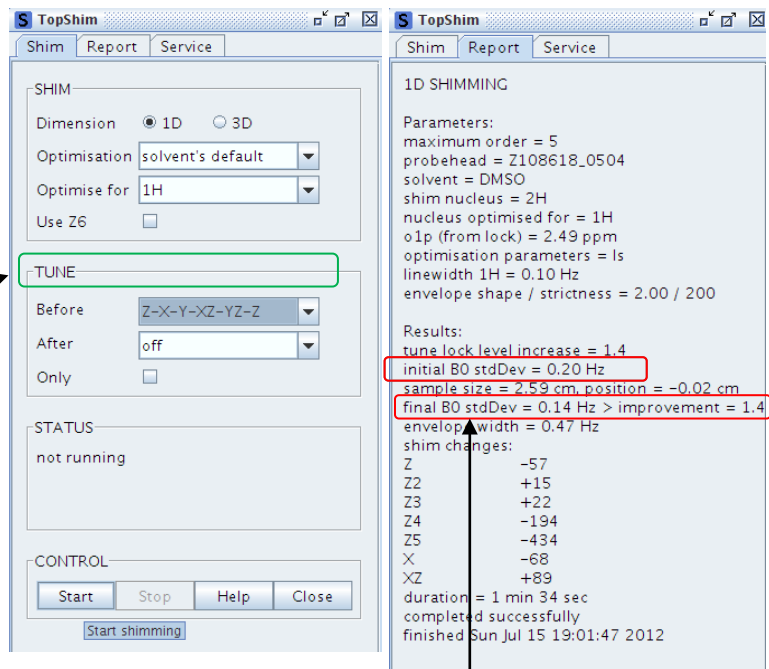
This selection will systematically adjust the noted shims in order — doing LOCKPHASE first — to maximize the lock value. This procedure is similar to what used to be called “simplex shimming”. A PFG **SHIM** (the *normal* topshim) is run before this, providing high-quality adjustments to Z1 – Z5.

For DCH and Prodigy probes, *always* include PARAMETERS → CONVCOMP .

4. Click on the REPORT tab and note especially the “initial B0 stdDev” and the “final B0 stdDev” values. The final B0 stdDev should be < 1 Hz. If it is larger, run the full topshim procedure again. If the stdDev stays large — take an NS=1 spectrum to check the actual linewidth — there is likely a problem with your sample: it needs filtering; the tube is scratched (throw it away!); the sample is aggregating (try a lower concentration, or different solvent/buffer); not have enough solvent; etc.
5. Acquire a proton spectrum of your sample.
6. Obtain T_1 estimates for this sample, or use prior knowledge from a set of similar samples. For publishable data, use of T_1 values from your sample to setup noesy1d/roesy1d is strongly recommended.
7. For quantitative data, re-acquire the proton spectrum using $d1 \geq 3 \times T_1$. E.g., setting up as follows:

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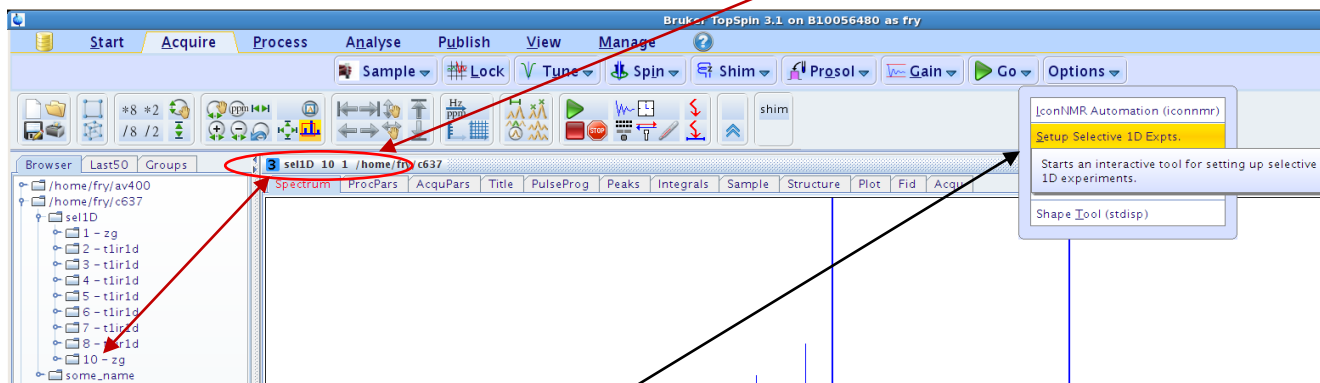
re 1 ↵ ; move to exp#1
wra 10 ↵ ; copies exp#1 (including data) to exp#10
re 10 ↵ ; move to exp#10
d1  $T_1(\text{longest}) \times 3$  ↵ ; set repetition delay for a quantitative acquisition
rga ↵ ; readjust receiver gain
zg ↵ ; acquire
PULPROG=zg30 ; in the above is strongly recommended.
  
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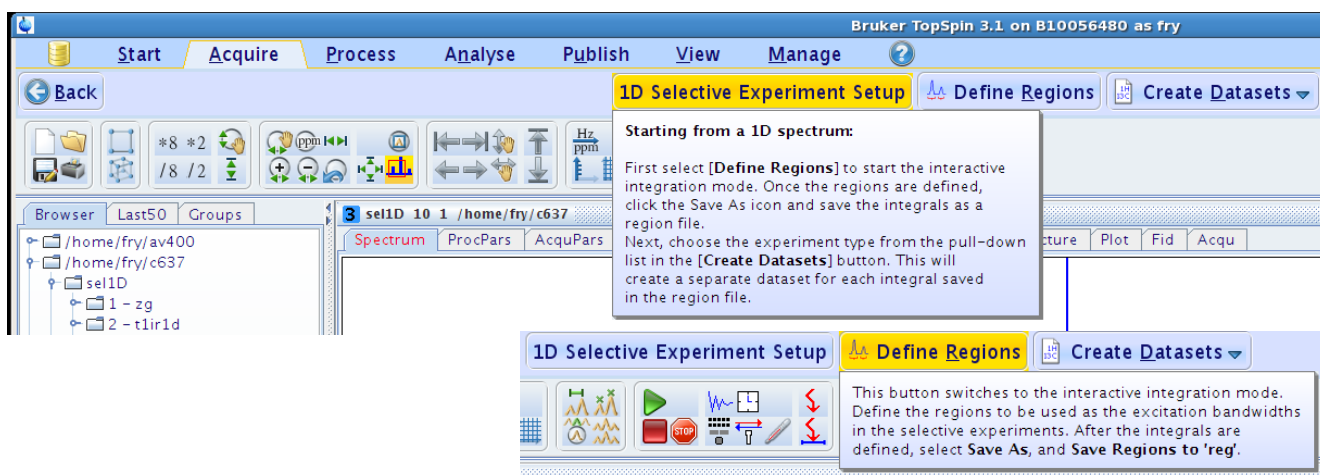
¹ Bruker uses confusing language here. **atma** performs an *electronic* tune and match to the probe's circuitry. This “probe tuning” has nothing to do with **TUNE** performed in topshim. A better description for the topshim **TUNE** would be lock-based-shimming (LBS) or something similar. The **TUNE** language relative to shimming is old: way back when (e.g., on the ACs), lock-based automated adjustment, or “tuning”, of the shims was available via commands like **TU1**.

B. Creation of selective pulses in the sel1D experiments:

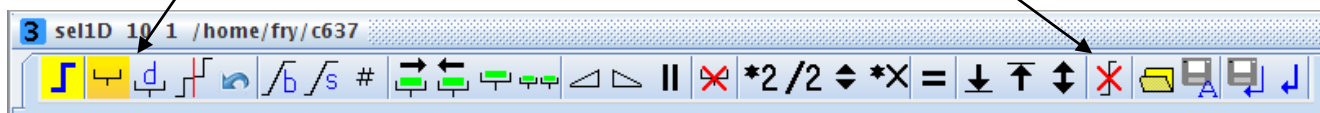
1. Make sure you have a good-quality ¹H spectrum in some exp# in the data folder (see above). Stay located in the ¹H spectrum (do *not* do an **ixpno** or similar):



2. ACQUIRE → OPTIONS → SETUP SELECTIVE 1D EXPTS. will give the following flowbar:

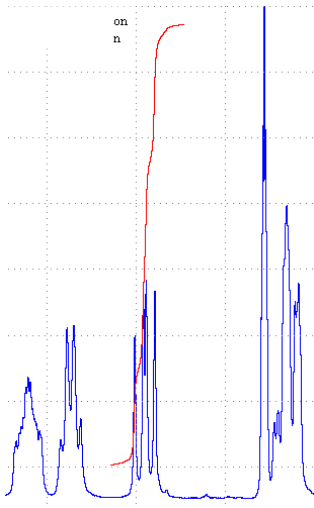


3. Read through the comments for the buttons. The next thing to do is click on **DEFINE REGIONS**.
4. **DEFINE REGIONS** enters Integration mode (identical to **PROCESS** → **INTEGRATE**, or **.int ↵**). Place integrals on the peaks/multiplets you want the sel1D experiment(s) to select.
 - (a) click off (blue background) to horizontally expand the spectrum
 - (b) click on (yellow background) to place integrals
 - (c) click to delete all integrals

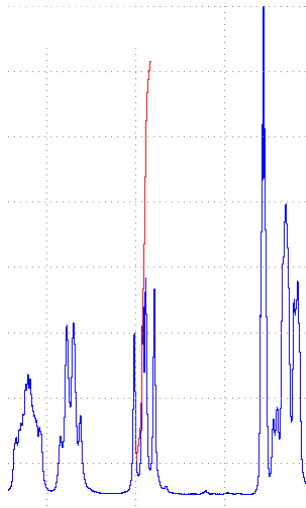


- (d) Proper selection of the integral regions is important to data quality:
 - i. The rf pulse will excite a region somewhat wider than the actual integral selection, so keep the endpoints close in on the multiplet.
 - ii. Do not start or end “inside” the multiplet.
 - iii. Typically place the integral symmetrically about the multiplet.

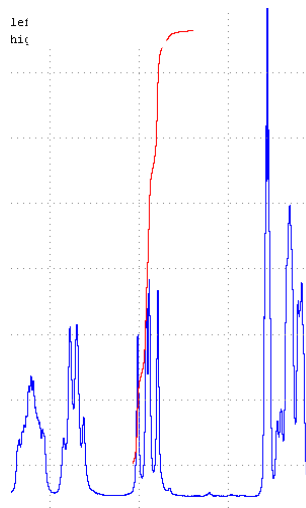
A. Too wide:
dwfd peak may be excited.



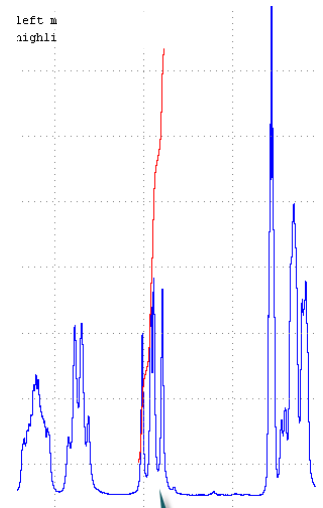
B. Too narrow:
integral is inside multiplet.



C. Asymmetric:
may work OK, but best left sym.




D. Good setup:
integral definition at edges of multiplet.



(e) when you have the integrals properly selected, perform a

Save As → Save Regions To 'reg'

(f) click 'Yes' if asked to Save Changes? when exiting (by clicking )

(g) right click on the spectrum and select: **Spectral Display Preferences** to toggle whether the integrals are shown when not in integration mode.



5. click on: **CREATE DATASETS**

or better, enter in the topspin command line: sel1d

and select the experiment you want (fig. on next page). The “gradient” versions of all experiments are strongly recommended, as they provide better artifact suppression using the pulsed-field gradients (PFG).

Use a multiple of 8 scans for all selective-1D experiments except tocsy1d (which can be run with NS=2).

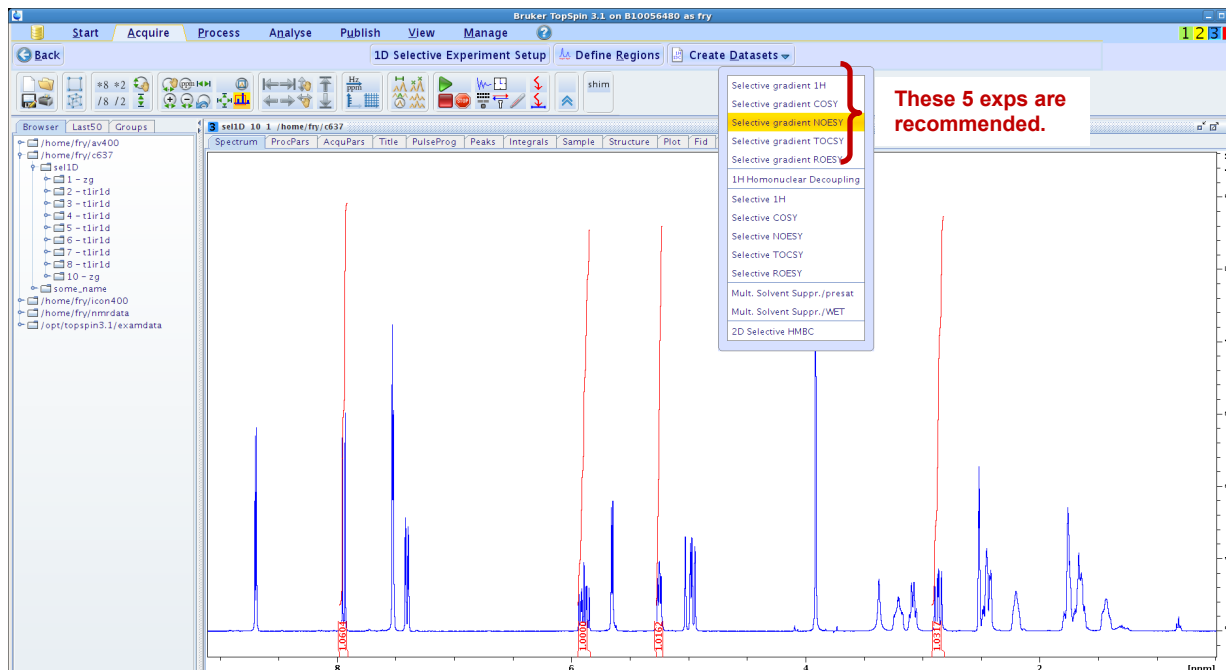
SELCOGP – selective cosy 1D

- set **d1** = $T_1(\text{longest of interest}) \times 1.5$
- adjust **d4** depending on the J_{HH} desired
- this experiment is relatively new to our facility; its most likely utility is for observing small couplings (which cannot be done with the selective tocsy experiment), or perhaps to measure coupling constants; try **ps** or **mc** following **efp**, which will remove phase distortions

tocsy1d.UW – selective tocsy 1D

- set **d1** = $T_1(\text{longest of interest}) \times 1.5$
- usually run multiple mix times (i.e., take multiple spectra; 6 spectra if following the list below):
 - d9** = 0 ; checks the selection (recommended: always acquire this a spectrum with **d9**=0)
 - d9** = 15ms ; observe protons 2- to 3- bonds away
 - d9** = 30ms ; primarily 2- to 3- bond correlation with small relays to next shell
 - d9** = 40-60ms ; 1 to 2 relays
 - d9** = 80ms ; common value used to observe 2 to 3 relay shells
 - d9** = 120ms ; common maximum value, usually showing all protons in a spin system

d9 = 200ms ; maximum value, please do not use longer



noesy1d.UW –selective noesy 1D

- set **d1** = $T_1(\text{longest of interest}) \times 2.5-5$
- start with **d8** = $0.6 \times T_1(\text{fastest of interest})$
- obtain a build-up curve (e.g., three experiments with **d8** = 0.1,0.2,0.3s) to confirm the NOE
- It is often useful/important to obtain a **d8** = 0 spectrum to confirm the selection is clean. It is also sometimes needed for exchange (EXSY) experiments to get **d8** very small. The problem is that the standard sequence cannot go this short. Change the pulse sequence (PULPROG) as follows if short mix (d8) times are needed:

noesy1d.UW	d8 ≥ 62ms
noesy1d_fast.UW	12 ms ≤ d8 < 62 ms
noesy1d_veryfast.UW	0 ≤ d8 < 12 ms

- The rf hardware on the 360 cannot produce modern pulse shapes. Setup experiments using the parameter set: **H1_noesy1d-dante.UW**. The following pulse sequences are available that work well; the first is called in by the parameter set (the 2nd enable short **d8** mixing times, down to 0 s). See the comments within the pulse sequences themselves for more information:

noesy1ddante60.UW
noesy1dd60_fast.UW

- Zero-quantum (ZQ) artifacts are common for protons that are J-coupled; use integrals to help measure differences between ZQ and NOE; ZQ artifacts have little mix-time dependence, so subtracting a mix/d8=0 spectrum from the others provides double-differencing that might be useful
- For small MW, an NOE will give a positive integral (opposite the selected peak), whereas for high molecular weight the NOE will switch to negative. NOEs will *crossover* when the MW ~ 1000-3000; in this region roesy1d is recommended, as NOEs may be zero or too small to detect.
- ZQ artifacts are relatively independent of mix time, whereas NOE will build-up

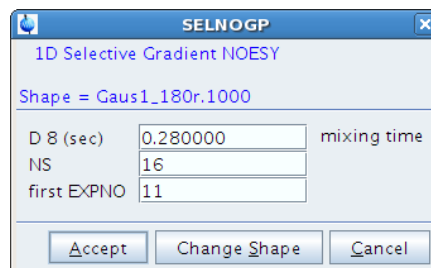
roesy1d.UW – selective roesy 1D

- set **d1** = $T_1(\text{longest of interest}) \times 2.5-5$

- start with **p15** = 150ms (and only after trying noesy1d.UW)
- vary **p15** = 50ms to $0.6 \times T_1$ (longest of interest); linear buildups will occur as with noesy1d
- exchange will occur as with noesy1d, but since *roe*'s are always positive, and exchange is always negative, the separation here will be less ambiguous in the crossover and high HW regions

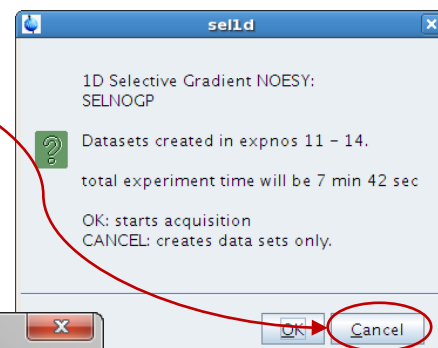
6. After the experiment selection, a parameter box will open allowing modification of mix time and NS. See recommended ranges of the mix times and minimum NS in the table on the last page.

Click on **ACCEPT** after changing parameters.



7. By clicking on **OK** or **CANCEL** the experiments, one for each integral, will be created. CANCEL is recommended.

The shaped pulses are generated using the calibrated 90° pulsewidth (**p1**) typically read automatically by **getprosol**.



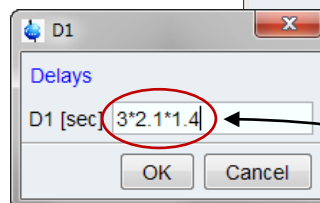
C. Final modifications, acquisition and processing:

1. In each experiment, set (see table below)

$$d1 = 1.5 \text{ to } 5 \times T_1$$

Note that you can use math in Topspin, as show in the example on the right.

2. Set mix times (**d4**, **d8**, **d9**) following suggestions as given in the table below.
3. Don't be chintzy with experiment times. In *noesy1d* and *roesy1d* experiments, very small NOEs can be observed (down to 0.1% or smaller). Taking data for 10 min for each experiment is common; letting it run for a couple hours (to a full overnight) would not be at all unusual. As always, longer data sets provide better data.
4. For *noesy1d* and *roesy1d* data, use **lb = 1** (resolution is typically not of most interest in this data).
For **noe/roe** data, build-up curves are a standard method of confirming the true identity of the effect. For small molecules, ZQ artifacts (out-of-phase/dispersive components) are troublesome between coupled multiplets; double-differencing can assist (see on-line notes, or staff for help). For large molecules, spin-diffusion can relay NOEs, but these will produce time delayed non-linear build-ups.



example using **t1ir1d**:
d1 = 3 × nulltime × 1.4

The ratio of the integral of the multiplet-of-interest to the integral of the selected multiplet, both normalized by # protons, is typically reported in percent along with the mix time (**d8**) and the repetition delay: **d1+aq+d8**. For *roesy1d* data, also report the spinlock strength in kHz.

5. For *cosy1d* data, try **ps** or **mc** (after **efp**) to remove phase distortions.

6. For *tocsy1d* data, some mix times (**d9**) will “work” better than others if in-phase multiplets are desired. In particular, magnetization transfer will generate non-absorptive features, but at some mix times, pure absorptive (good in-phase) multiplets will be observed.

For *tocsy1d* data, always acquire a **d9**[mix] = 0 and a range of other mix times. Report the mix time and repetition times **d1+aq**, and the spinlock strength in kHz.

[Note: Many of the following will not remain the recommended parameter sets; look for updated guides regularly]

STANDARD 2D SEQUENCES	Description	PARAMETER SET pulse sequence	d1 ^a	mix ^b
standard (magnitude-mode) COSY “routine”	¹ H- ¹ H correlations; usually just 2- to 3-bond couplings	COSYGPSW cosygplr ^q f	1 to 1.5 × T ₁ (loi)	–
long-range COSY	confirm ¹ H- ¹ H correlations w small (0.5 to 3 Hz, 2- to 5-bond) couplings	cosylr.UW ^c cosygplr ^q f ^d	1 to 1.5 × T ₁ (loi)	d4 = 50-200 ms [long-range J-evolution delay]
double-quantum filtered COSY	strong singlets (including solvent peaks) via double-quantum filtering (DQF), and enables measurement of ¹ H- ¹ H coupling constants; note special setup requirements in pp (?for rg?)	COSYGPDPHPSW cosygpmpfhp ^{pp}	1.5 to 3 × T ₁ (loi)	see pulse sequence notes to change to TPF (Triple Quantum Filtering), which removes doublets
TOCSY	¹ H- ¹ H correlations based on couplings; 2-3 datasets differing by mix time are often acquired to observe “relayed” couplings	MLEVPHSW mlevp ^h pp	1.5 to 5 × T ₁ (loi)	d9 = 15 to 150 ms careful with duty cycle!
standard multiplicity-edited HSQC “routine”	¹ H- ¹³ C 1-bond correlations, –CH ₂ – inverted (dept-135 analog)	HSQCEDETGPSISP hsqcedetgpsisp.2.3	1.5 to 2 × T ₁ (loi)	cnst2 = J(CH) = 145 Hz
standard non-edited HSQC “routine”	¹ H- ¹³ C 1-bond correlations, all peaks positive (dept-45 analog)	HSQCETGPSISP ^c hsqcetgpsisp.2.2 ^d	1.5 to 2 × T ₁ (loi)	cnst2 = J(CH) = 145 Hz
coupled HSQC	¹ H- ¹³ C 1-bond correlations with coupling	HSQCETNDGPSISP ^c hsqcetgpsisp.2.2nd ^d	1.5 to 2 × T ₁ (loi)	cnst2 = J(CH) = 145 Hz
standard HMBC “routine”	¹ H- ¹³ C n-bond correlations, 2- and 3-bond (usually), with 3-fold 1-bond filter; often acquire 2 nd set with smaller cnst13	HMBCETGPL3ND hmbcetgp13nd	1.5 to 2 × T ₁ (loi)	cnst2 = J(CH) = 145 Hz cnst13 = Jn(CH) = 10 Hz
NOESY	¹ H- ¹ H correlations based on proximity (also for exchange)	NOESYGP noesygp ^h pp	2.5 to 5 × T ₁ (loi)	d8 = 0.1 to 1 × T ₁ (foi)
ROESY	¹ H- ¹ H correlations based on proximity; for intermediate MW	ROESYPHPR roesyphpr.2	2.5 to 5 × T ₁ (loi)	p15 = 0.1 to 0.5 × T ₁ (foi) careful with duty cycle!
SELECTIVE 1D SEQUENCES				
selective COSY-1D	protons 2- to 6-bonds from selected multiplet give antiphase peaks; d4=large (≤ T ₁ ; for small couplings) can be used; coupling will transfer through heterobonds	SELCOGP new: cosy1d.UW ^c selcogp; cosy1d.UW ^d	1.5 to 3 × T ₁ (loi)	d4 = 1/4 J(HH) ns = 8×i
selective NOESY-1D	protons within 5Å produce NOEs; phase selected peak negative, then other peaks are positive for small MW, negative for large MW; exchange will produce negative peaks; acquire a mix time series, plot build-up curve to confirm NOE	SELNOGP new: noesy1d.UW^c selnogp; noesy1d.UW ^d	2.5 to 5 × T ₁ (loi)	d8 = 0.1 to 1 × T ₁ (foi) ns = 8×i
selective ROESY-1D	protons within 5Å produce ROEs; phase selected peak negative, all other peaks are positive independent of MW; acquire a mix time series, plot build-up curve to confirm ROE	SELROGP new: roesy1d.UW^c selrogp; roesy1d.UW ^d	2.5 to 5 × T ₁ (loi)	p15 = 0.1 to 0.5 × T ₁ (foi) p15 > 500000 μs is not allowed ns = 8×i
selective TOCSY-1D	protons 2- to 3-bonds from selected multiplet give in-phase peaks; only couplings ≥ 3 Hz transfer; couplings will <i>not</i> go through heterobonds; use d9 series to see coupling “relays”	SELMLGP new: tocsy1dzq.UW^c selmlgp;tocsy1dzq.UW	1.5 to 5 × T ₁ (loi)	d9 = 15 to 200 ms d9 > 200ms not allowed ns = 2×i

^aloi ≡ longest of interest ^bfoi ≡ fastest of interest

^cthese parameter sets are located in the /home/topspin3.1/uwchem/par folder (all others are in /opt/topspin3.1/exp/stan/nmr/par)

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