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PREFACE

This book is the Instructor's Guide and Solutions Manual to the problems contained in the text *Organic Structures from 2D NMR Spectra*.

The aim of this book is to teach students to solve structural problems in organic chemistry using NMR spectroscopy and in particular 2D NMR spectroscopy. The basic philosophy of the book is that learning to identify organic structures using spectroscopy is best done by working through examples. This book contains a series of about 60 graded examples ranging from very elementary problems through to very challenging problems at the end of the collection.

We have assumed a working knowledge of basic structural organic chemistry and common functional groups. We also assume a working knowledge of the rudimentary spectroscopic methods which would be applied routinely in characterising and identifying organic compounds including infrared spectroscopy and basic 1D ¹³C and ¹H NMR spectroscopy.

The Instructor's Guide contains a worked solution to each of the problems contained in *Organic Structures from 2D NMR Spectra*. At the outset, it should be emphasised that there are always many paths to the correct answer – there is no single process to arrive at the correct solution to any of the problems. We do not recommend a mechanical attitude to problem solving – intuition, which comes with experience, has a very important place in solving structures from spectra; however, students often find the following approach useful:

- (i) Extract as much information as possible from the basic characterisation data which is provided:
 - (a) Note the molecular formula and any restrictions this places on the functional groups that may be contained in the molecule.
 - (b) From the molecular formula, **determine the degree of unsaturation**. The degree of unsaturation can be calculated from the molecular formula for all compounds containing C, H, N, O, S and the halogens using the following three basic steps:
 - 1. Take the molecular formula and replace all halogens by hydrogens.

- 2. Omit all of the sulfur and/or oxygen atoms.
- 3. For each nitrogen, omit the nitrogen and omit one hydrogen.

After these three steps, the molecular formula is reduced to C_nH_m , and the degree of unsaturation is given by:

Degree of Unsaturation =
$$n - \frac{m}{2} + 1$$

The degree of unsaturation indicates the number of π bonds and/or rings that the compound contains. For example, if the degree of unsaturation is 1, the molecule can only contain one double bond or one ring. If the degree of unsaturation is 4, the molecule must contain four rings or multiple bonds. An aromatic ring accounts for four degrees of unsaturation (the equivalent of three double bonds and a ring). An alkyne or a C \equiv N accounts for two degrees of unsaturation (the equivalent of two π bonds).

- (c) Analyse the 1D ¹H NMR spectrum if one is provided and note the relative numbers of protons in different environments and any obvious information contained in the coupling patterns. Note the presence of aromatic protons, exchangeable protons, and/or vinylic protons, all of which provide valuable information on the functional groups which may be present.
- (d) Analyse the 1D ¹³C NMR spectrum if one is provided and note the number of carbons in different environments. Note also any resonances that would be characteristic of specific functional groups, e.g. the presence or absence of a ketone, aldehyde, ester or carboxylic acid carbonyl resonance.
- (e) Analyse any infrared data and note whether there are absorptions characteristic of specific functional groups, e.g. C=O or -OH groups.
- (ii) Extract basic information from the 2D COSY, TOCSY and/or C-H correlation spectra.
 - (a) The COSY will provide obvious coupling partners. If there is one identifiable starting point in a spin system, the COSY will allow the successive identification (i.e. the sequence) of all nuclei in the spin system. The COSY cannot jump across breaks in the spin system (such as where there is a heteroatom or a carbonyl group that isolates one spin system from another).

- (b) The TOCSY identifies all groups of protons that are in the same spin system.
- (c) The C-H correlation links the carbon signals with their attached protons and also identifies how many -CH-, -CH₂-, -CH₃ and quaternary carbons are in the molecule.
- (iii) Analyse the INADEQUATE spectrum if one is provided, because this can sequentially provide the whole carbon skeleton of the molecule. Choose one signal as a starting point and sequentially work through the INADEQUATE spectrum to determine which carbons are connected to which.
- (iv) Analyse the HMBC spectrum. This is perhaps the most useful technique to pull together all of the fragments of a molecule because it gives long-range connectivity.
- (v) Analyse the NOESY spectrum to assign any stereochemistry in the structure.
- (vi) Continually update the list of structural elements or fragments that have been conclusively identified at each step and start to pull together reasonable possible structures. Be careful not to jump to possible solutions before the evidence is conclusive. Keep assessing and re-assessing all of the options.
- (vii) When you have a final solution which you believe is correct, go back and confirm that all of the spectroscopic data are consistent with the final structure and that every peak in every spectrum can be properly rationalised in terms of the structure that you have proposed.

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1	I—CH ₂ —CH ₂ —CH ₃	LABEL COSY HSQC HMBC INADEQUATE	7	CH ₃ CH ₂ O CI	COSY HSQC HMBC ISOMER (2)
	1-iodopropane			3-ethoxypropionyl chloride	
	C ₃ H ₇ I			C ₅ H ₉ ClO ₂	
2	CH ₃ —C—CH ₂ —CH ₃	LABEL COSY HSQC HMBC INADEQUATE	8		COSY HSQC HMBC ISOMER (2)
	2-butanone			ethyl 3-chloropropionate	
	C ₄ H ₈ O			$C_5H_9CIO_2$	
3 (CH ₃ —C—CH ₂ —CH ₂ —CH ₃ 	COSY HSQC HMBC	9	CH ₃ O CH ₃	LABEL COSY HSQC HMBC INADEQUATE
	2-hexanone			isoamyl acetate	
	C ₆ H ₁₂ O			C ₇ H ₁₄ O ₂	
4		SIMULATE COSY HSQC HMBC	10	11 1	LABEL COSY HSQC HMBC NOESY
	ethyl propionate			trans-4-hexen-3-one	
	C ₅ H ₁₀ O ₂			C ₆ H ₁₀ O	
5	CH ₃ CH ₂ O OCH ₂ CH ₃	LABEL COSY HSQC HMBC	11	CH ₃ , C,	COSY HSQC HMBC NOESY
	ethyl 3-ethoxypropionate			trans-2-octen-4-one	
	C ₇ H ₁₄ O ₃			C ₈ H ₁₄ O	
6		ASSIGNMENT HSQC HMBC	12		LABEL COSY HSQC HMBC NOESY INADEQUATE
	4-acetylbutyric acid			3-nitrobenzaldehyde	
	C ₆ H ₁₀ O ₃			C ₇ H ₅ NO ₃	

13 CH ₃	SIMULATE HSQC HMBC	19 CH ₃ CH ₃ COSY HSQC HMBC
		isomer (4)
3-iodotoluene		phenyl <i>p</i> -toluate
C ₇ H ₆ I		C ₁₄ H ₁₂ O ₂
14 NO ₂	LABEL COSY HSQC HMBC INADEQUATE	20 OCC—CH ₃ COSY HSQC HMBC ISOMER (4)
он 8-hydroxy-5-nitroquinoli	ne	4-biphenylyl acetate
C ₉ H ₆ N ₂ O ₃		C ₁₄ H ₁₂ O ₂
15 CH ₃	HSQC HMBC	21 O COSY HSQC HMBC ISOMER (4)
2-bromo-3-picoline		4'-phenoxyacetophenone
C ₆ H ₆ BrN		C ₁₄ H ₁₂ O ₂
16 CH ₃ H	SIMULATE COSY NOESY	C—CH ₃) ₃ C—C—CH ₃ HSQC HMBC ISOMER (2)
<i>trans-</i> anethole		4'- <i>tert</i> -butylacetophenone
C ₁₀ H ₁₂ O		C ₁₂ H ₁₆ O
$\begin{array}{c c} \textbf{17} & & & \\ & & \textbf{H} & \textbf{H} \\ & & \textbf{CH}_3 & \textbf{CH}_2 - \textbf{CH}_3 \end{array}$	COSY HSQC NOESY	CH ₃ —C—C(CH ₃) ₃ HSQC HMBC ISOMER (2)
<i>cis</i> -2-pentene C₅H ₁₀		2,2,4'-trimethyl- propiophenone C ₁₂ H ₁₆ O
18 CH ₃ O-C	COSY HSQC HMBC ISOMER (4)	H COSY HSQC HMBC NOESY
<i>p</i> -tolyl benzoate		trans-2-methyl-3-phenyl-2- propen-1-ol
C ₁₄ H ₁₂ O ₂		C ₁₀ H ₁₂ O

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25	CH ₃ CH ₂ O—C	COSY HSQC HMBC	31	C-CH ₂ -CH ₂ CH ₂ -CH ₃	COSY HSQC HMBC NOESY
	methyl 4-ethoxybenzoate			C ₉ H ₁₄ O	
26	C ₁₀ H ₁₂ O ₃ CH ₃ O OCH ₃	COSY HSQC HMBC ISOMER (2)	32	,0,	COSY HSQC HMBC ISOMER (2)
	methyl 3-(p-tolyl)propionate			allyl glycidyl ether	
	C ₁₁ H ₁₄ O ₂			C ₆ H ₁₀ O ₂	
27	CH ₃ O	HSQC INADEQUATE ISOMER (2)	33		HSQC HMBC ISOMER (2)
	4-(4'-methoxyphenyl)-2- butanone C ₁₁ H ₁₄ O ₂			$3,4$ -epoxy- 4 -methyl- 2 - pentanone $C_6H_{10}O_2$	
28	OCH ₂ CH ₃	ASSIGNMENT COSY HSQC	34		IDENTIFY 1 HSQC HMBC
	ethyl 6-bromohexanoate			dl-methionine	
	$C_8H_{15}BrO_2$			C ₅ H ₁₁ NO ₂ S	0007
29	piperonal C ₈ H ₆ O ₃	SIMULATE HSQC HMBC	35		COSY HSQC HMBC
20	н н	COSY	36	l l	TOCSY HSQC
30	C_O_CH ₂ _CH ₂ CH ₂ _CH ₃	HSQC HMBC NOESY			
	cis-3-hexenyl benzoate			isoamyl valerate	
	C ₁₃ H ₁₆ O ₂			C ₁₀ H ₂₀ O ₂	

37	CH ₃ —NO ₂	ASSIGNMENT COSY HSQC HMBC	43	но	COSY HSQC HMBC
	(E)-4-methyl-4'-nitrostilbene			ÓСН₃ <i>trans</i> -ferulic Acid	
	$C_{15}H_{13}NO_2$			C ₁₀ H ₁₀ O ₄	
38	OH C(CH ₃) ₃	HSQC HMBC	44	OH OH	COSY HSQC HMBC
	2- <i>tert</i> -butyl-6-methylphenol C ₁₁ H ₁₆ O			seC–butyl 3- hydroxycinnamate C13H16O3	
39	OH CH ₃ 2-allyl-6-methylphenol	COSY HSQC HMBC	45	1-benzosuberone	ASSIGNMENT COSY HSQC HMBC
	C ₁₀ H ₁₂ O	11000		C ₁₁ H ₁₂ O	COSY
40	O OH OCH ₃	HSQC HMBC	46	CH ₃ O Br	COSY HSQC P-H HMBC HETEROATOM
	2-hydroxy-4-methoxy- benzaldehyde C ₈ H ₈ O ₃			propyl)phosphonate C ₅ H ₁₂ BrO ₃ P	
41	2'-hydroxy-5'- methylacetophenone	HSQC HMBC	47	CH ₃ CH ₃ CAffeine	ASSIGNMENT HSQC HMBC N-H HSQC HETEROATOM
	C ₉ H ₁₀ O ₂	HSQC	-	C ₈ H ₁₀ N ₄ O ₂	COSY
42	CH ₃ F OCH ₃	NOESY HETEROATOM	48	O C N	HSQC
	3'-fluoro-4'- methoxyacetophenone			benzyloxypropionitrile	
	C ₉ H ₉ FO ₂			C ₁₀ H ₁₁ NO	

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	HSQC INADEQUATE	55 H O HSQC	
		CH ₃ OCH ₂ CH ₃ HMBC N-H HSQC N-H HMBC	
СН́ ₃ cineole		ethyl acetamido-	
C ₁₀ H ₁₈ O		cyanoacetate C ₇ H ₁₀ N ₂ O ₃	
	IDENTIFY 1 HSQC HMBC	56 HSQC INADEQUATE	
thymoquinone		α-Humulene	
C ₁₀ H ₁₂ O ₂	0001	C ₁₅ H ₂₄	
	COSY HSQC HMBC	57 COOH COSY HSQC HMBC	
4-bromo-1-indanol C ₉ H ₉ BrO		3,4-dihydro-2 <i>H</i> –benzo- pyran-3-carboxylic acid C ₁₀ H ₁₀ O ₃	
52 Br	ASSIGNMENT COSY HSQC HMBC	ASSIGNMENT COSY HSQC HMBC NOESY Quinidine C20H24N2O2	
	COSY HSQC HMBC	59 OH H HSQC HMBC NOESY N-H HMBC HETEROATO	М
C ₁₀ H ₁₄ O		C ₁₃ H ₂₁ NO ₃	
54 H	HSQC HMBC NOESY	60 COSY HSQC HMBC 2-hydroxy-1- naphthaldehyde	
C10H11INO2		C ₁₁ H ₈ O ₂	

61	CH ₃ O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	HSQC HMBC INADEQUATE
	C ₁₀ H ₁₀ O ₂	
62	H CH ₃	COSY HSQC HMBC
	citronellal	
	C ₁₀ H ₁₈ O	
63	H	COSY HSQC HMBC NOESY
	(+)- <i>ci</i> s-2-oxabicyclo- [3.3.0]oct-6-en-3-one C ₇ H ₈ O ₂	

64	CH ₃ O CH ₃ H melatonin	COSY HSQC HMBC NOESY N-H HSQC N-H HMBC HETEROATOM
	$C_{13}H_{16}N_2O_2$	
65	CH ₃ Carvone	COSY HSQC HMBC
	C ₁₀ H ₁₄ O	ACCIONINATAIT
66	N CI OH haloperidol	ASSIGNMENT COSY HSQC HMBC HETEROATOM
	C ₂₁ H ₂₃ CIFNO ₂	

Problem 1

Question:

The 1H and $^{13}C\{^1H\}$ NMR spectra of 1-iodopropane (C_3H_7I) recorded in CDCl₃ solution at 298 K and 400 MHz are given below.

The ¹H NMR spectrum has signals at δ 0.99 (H₃), 1.84 (H₂) and 3.18 (H₁) ppm.

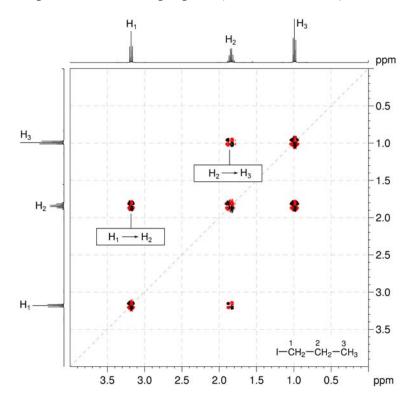
The $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$ NMR spectrum has signals at δ 9.6 (C₁), 15.3 (C₃) and 26.9 (C₂) ppm.

Also given on the following pages are the $^{1}H^{-1}H$ COSY, $^{1}H^{-13}C$ me-HSQC, $^{1}H^{-13}C$ HMBC and INADEQUATE spectra. For each 2D spectrum, indicate which correlation gives rise to each cross-peak by placing an appropriate label in the box provided (*e.g.* $H_1 \rightarrow H_2$, $H_1 \rightarrow C_1$).

Solution:

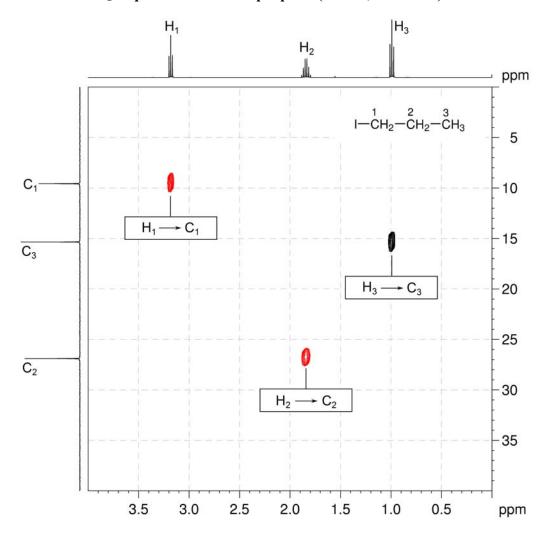
1. $^{1}\text{H}-^{1}\text{H}$ COSY spectra show which pairs of protons are coupled to each other. The COSY spectrum is always symmetrical about a diagonal. In the COSY spectrum, there are two $^{3}J_{\text{H}-\text{H}}$ correlations above the diagonal (H₁ \rightarrow H₂ and H₂ \rightarrow H₃). There are no long-range correlations.

¹H-¹H COSY spectrum of 1-iodopropane (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



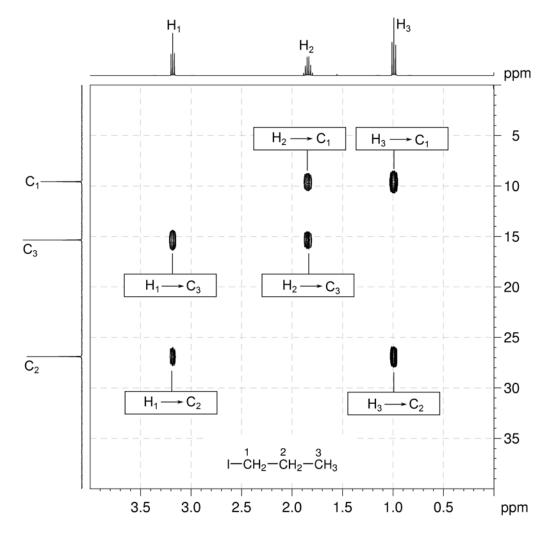
2. The ¹H–¹³C me-HSQC spectrum shows direct (one-bond) correlations between proton and carbon nuclei, so there will be cross-peaks between H₁ and C₁, H₂ and C₂ and also between H₃ and C₃. As the spectrum is multiplicity edited, the cross-peaks corresponding to CH₂ groups are shown in red and are of opposite phase to those for CH₃ groups.

¹H-¹³C me-HSQC spectrum of 1-iodopropane (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



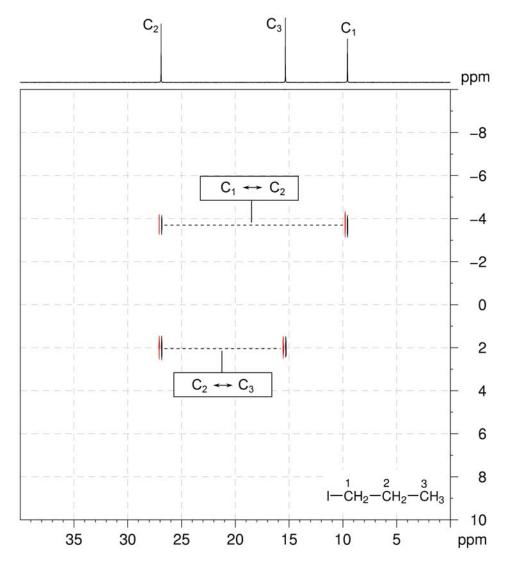
- 3. In HMBC spectra, remember that, for alkyl systems, both two- and three-bond C–H coupling can give rise to strong cross-peaks.
- 4. H_1 correlates to C_2 and C_3 . H_2 correlates to C_1 and C_3 . H_3 correlates to C_1 and C_2 .

¹H-¹³C HMBC spectrum of 1-iodopropane (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



5. The INADEQUATE spectrum shows one-bond $^{13}C-^{13}C$ connectivity. There are correlations between C_1 and C_2 , and C_2 and C_3 .

INADEQUATE spectrum of 1-iodopropane (CDCl3, 150 MHz)



Problem 2

Question:

The 1H and $^{13}C\{^1H\}$ NMR spectra of 2-butanone (C₄H₈O) recorded in CDCl₃ solution at 298 K and 400 MHz are given below.

The ¹H NMR spectrum has signals at δ 1.05 (H₄), 2.14 (H₁) and 2.47 (H₃) ppm.

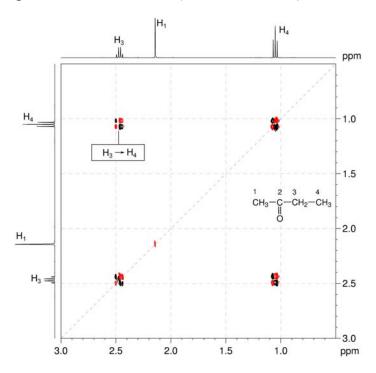
The $^{13}C\{^{1}H\}$ NMR spectrum has signals at δ 7.2 (C₄), 28.8 (C₁), 36.2 (C₃) and 208.8 (C₂) ppm.

Also given on the following pages are the $^{1}H^{-1}H$ COSY, $^{1}H^{-13}C$ me-HSQC, $^{1}H^{-13}C$ HMBC and INADEQUATE spectra. For each 2D spectrum, indicate which correlation gives rise to each cross-peak by placing an appropriate label in the box provided (*e.g.* $H_1 \rightarrow H_2$, $H_1 \rightarrow C_1$).

Solution:

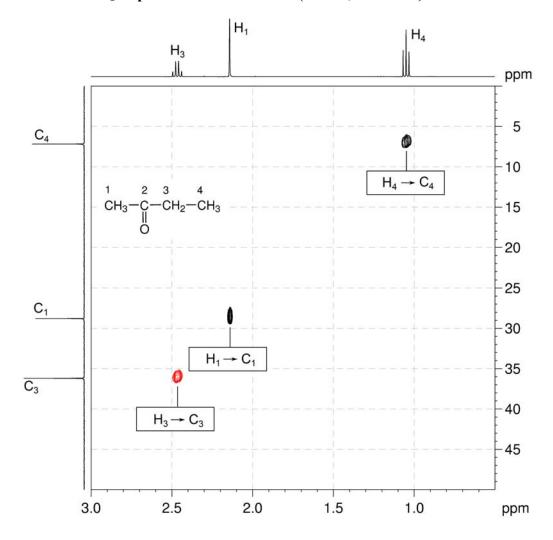
1. $^{1}\text{H}^{-1}\text{H}$ COSY spectra show which pairs of protons are coupled to each other. The COSY spectrum is always symmetrical about a diagonal. In the COSY spectrum, there is only one $^{3}J_{\text{H}-\text{H}}$ correlation above the diagonal (H₃ \rightarrow H₄). There are no long-range correlations.

¹H-¹H COSY spectrum of 2-butanone (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



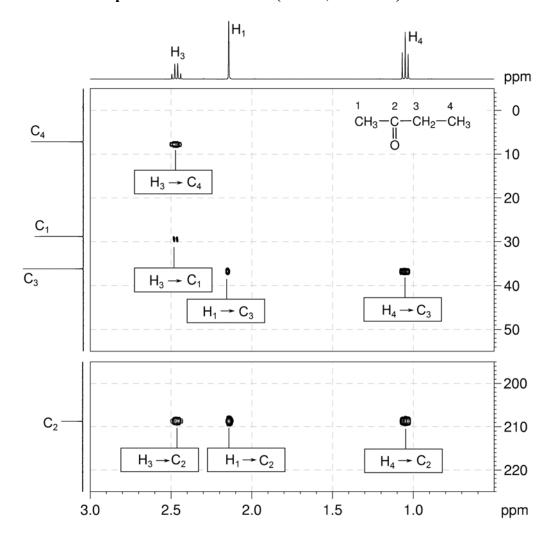
2. The ¹H–¹³C me-HSQC spectrum shows direct (one-bond) correlations between proton and carbon nuclei, so there will be cross-peaks between H₁ and C₁, H₃ and also between C₃ and H₄ and C₄. As the spectrum is multiplicity edited, the cross-peaks corresponding to CH₂ groups are shown in red and are of opposite phase to those for CH₃ groups.

¹H-¹³C me-HSQC spectrum of 2-butanone (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



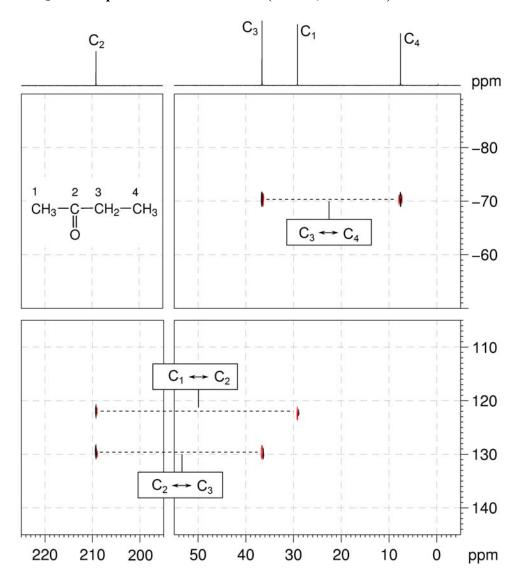
- 3. In HMBC spectra, remember that, for alkyl systems, both two- and three-bond coupling can give rise to strong cross-peaks. There are no one-bond C–H correlations.
- 4. H₁ correlates to C₂ and C₃. H₃ correlates to C₁, C₂ and C₄. H₄ correlates to C₂ and C₃.

¹H-¹³C HMBC spectrum of 2-butanone (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)



5. The INADEQUATE spectrum shows one-bond ¹³C–¹³C connectivity. There are correlations between C₁ and C₂, C₂ and C₃ and C₃ and C₄.

INADEQUATE spectrum of 2-butanone (CDCl₃, 150 MHz)



Problem 3

Question:

Identify the following compound.

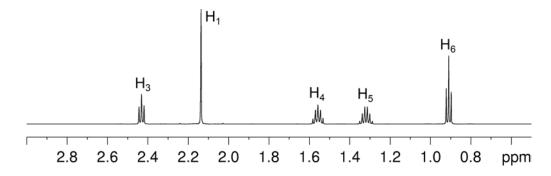
Molecular Formula: C₆H₁₂O

IR: 1718 cm⁻¹

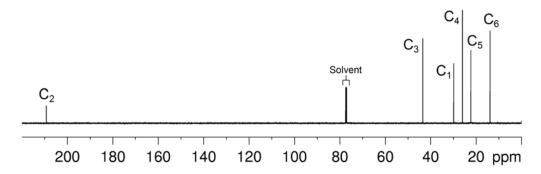
Solution:

- 1. The molecular formula is $C_6H_{12}O$. Calculate the degree of unsaturation from the molecular formula: ignore the O atom to give an effective molecular formula of C_6H_{12} (C_nH_m) which gives the degree of unsaturation as (n m/2 + 1) = 6 6 + 1 = 1. The compound contains one ring or one functional group containing a double bond.
- 2. The ¹³C{¹H} spectrum establishes that the compound contains a ketone (¹³C resonance at 209.3 ppm). There can be no other double bonds or rings in the molecule because the C=O accounts for the single degree of unsaturation.
- 3. 1D NMR spectra establish the presence of three CH₂ groups and two CH₃ groups. The multiplicities of the signals can be verified using the me-HSQC spectrum.

¹H NMR spectrum of 2-hexanone (CDCl₃, 600 MHz)



¹³C{H} NMR spectrum of 2-hexanone (CDCl₃, 150 MHz)



- 4. The COSY spectrum shows a single spin system H₃ → H₄, H₄ → H₅ and H₅ → H₆ for a –CH₂CH₂CH₃ fragment.
- 5. H₁ does not couple to any of the other protons in the molecule and therefore does not show any correlations in the COSY spectrum.

¹H-¹H COSY spectrum of 2-hexanone (CDCl₃, 600 MHz)

