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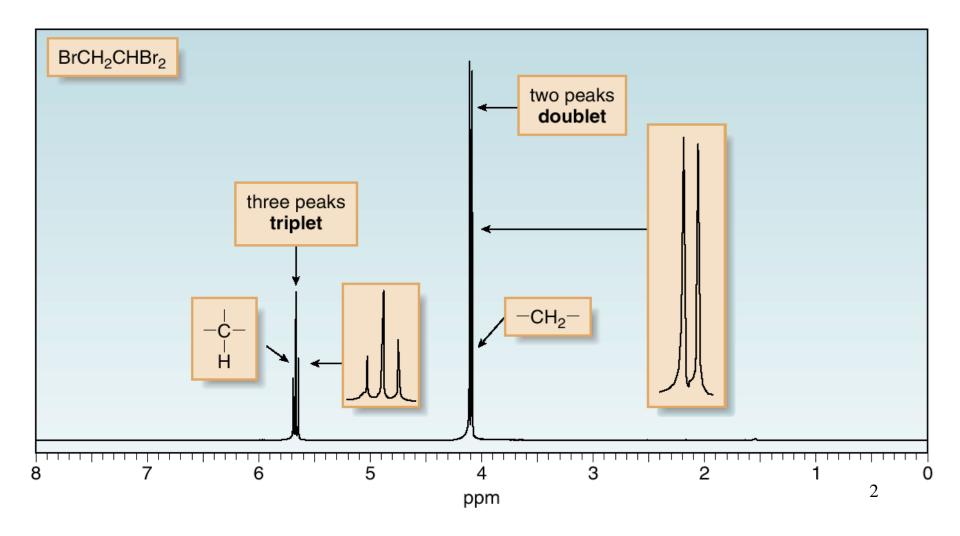


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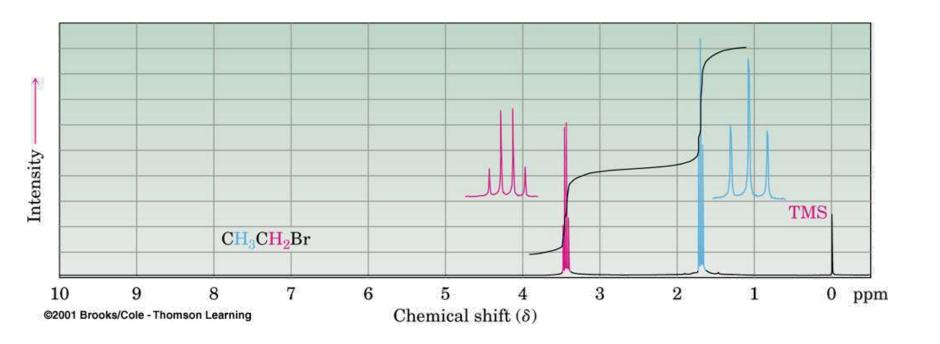
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¹H NMR—Spin-Spin Splitting

• Consider the spectrum below:



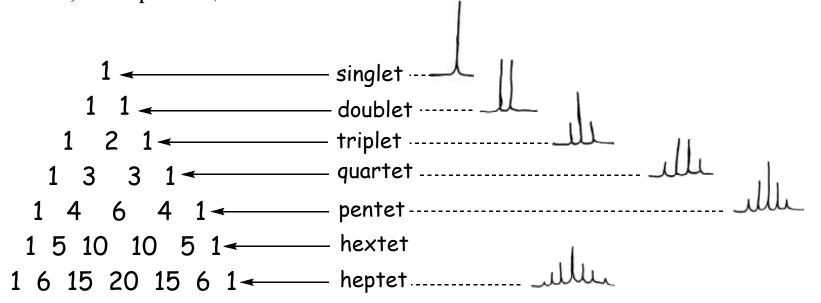
Ethyl Bromide



Spin-Spin Splitting in ¹H NMR Spectra

- Peaks are often split into multiple peaks due to *magnetic interactions* between nonequivalent protons on adjacent carbons, The process is called **spin-spin** splitting
- The splitting is into one more peak than the number of H's on the adjacent carbon(s), This is the "n+1 rule"
- The relative intensities are in proportion of a binomial distribution given by Pascal's Triangle

• The set of peaks is a multiplet (2 = doublet, 3 = triplet, 4 = quartet, 5=pentet, 6=hextet, 7=heptet.....)



Rules for Spin-Spin Splitting

• **Equivalent** protons **do not** split each other

$$Cl - C - H$$

Three C–H protons are chemically equivalent; no splitting occurs.

$$Cl - C - C - Cl$$

Four C-H protons are chemically equivalent; no splitting occurs.

• Protons that are **farther than two carbon atoms apart do not** split each other

$$-$$
C $-$ C $-$

Splitting observed

$$-C-C-C$$

Splitting not usually observed

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If H_a and H_b are **not equivalent**, splitting is observed when:

H_a and H_b are on the **same** carbon.

H_a and H_b are on **adjacent** carbons.

Splitting is not generally observed between protons separated by more than three σ bonds.

2-butanone

 H_a and H_b are separated by four σ bonds.

no splitting between Ha and Hb

ethyl methyl ether H_a and H_b are separated by four σ bonds.

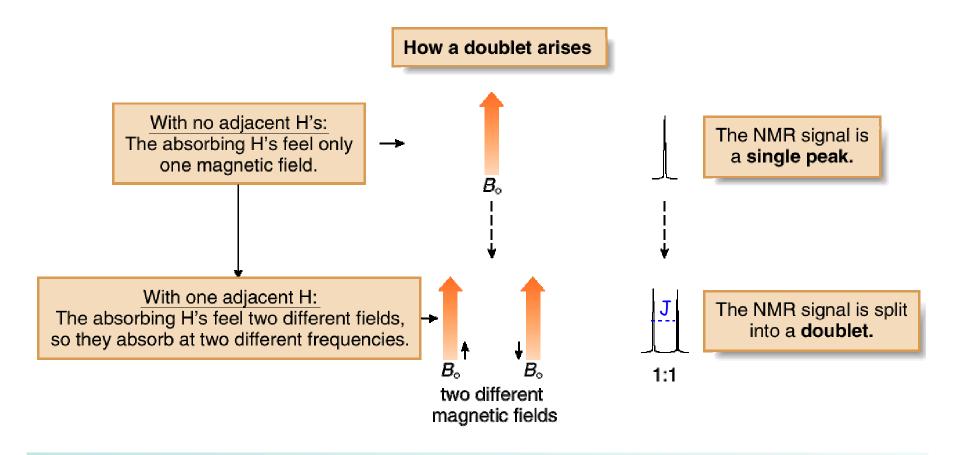
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• Spin-spin splitting occurs only between nonequivalent protons on the same carbon or adjacent carbons.

Let us consider how the doublet due to the CH₂ group on BrCH₂CHBr₂ occurs:

- When placed in an applied field, (B_0) , the adjacent proton (CHBr₂) can be aligned with (1) or against (1) B_0 . The likelihood of either case is about 50% (i.e., 1,000,006 vs 1,000,000 1).
- Thus, the absorbing CH_2 protons feel two slightly different magnetic fields—one slightly larger than B_0 , and one slightly smaller than B_0 .
- Since the absorbing protons feel two different magnetic fields, they absorb at two different frequencies in the NMR spectrum, thus splitting a single absorption into a doublet, where the two peaks of the doublet have *equal* intensity.

The frequency difference, measured in Hz, between two peaks of the doublet is called the coupling constant, J.



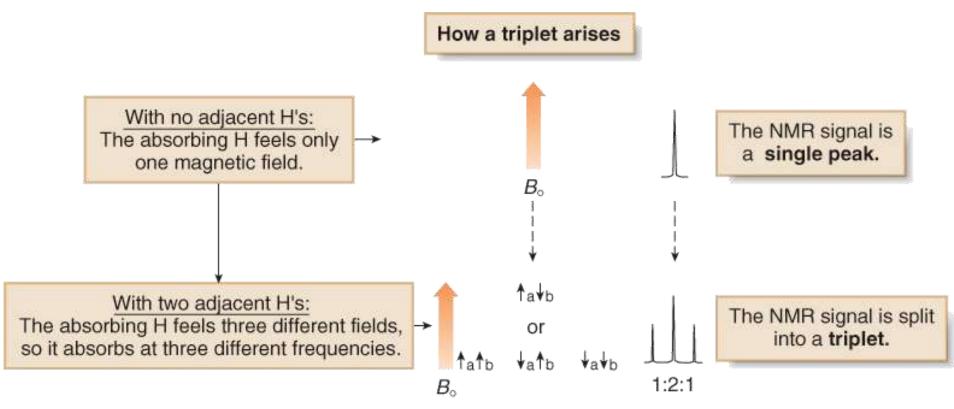
One adjacent proton splits an NMR signal into a doublet.

Let us now consider how a triplet arises:

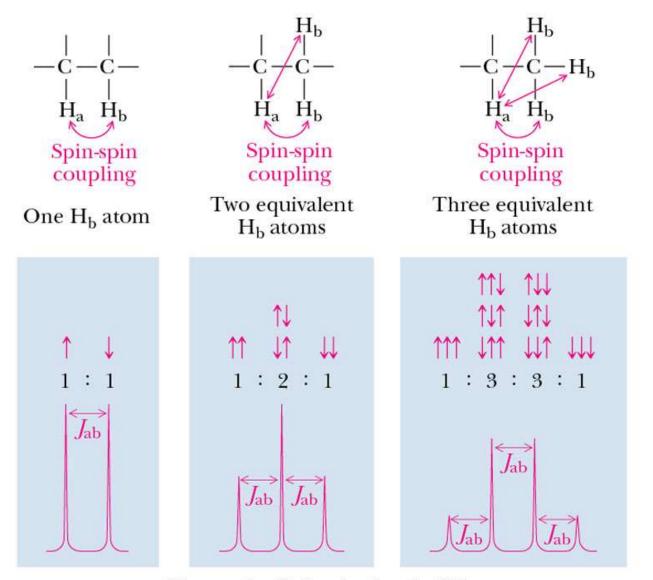


- When placed in an applied magnetic field (B_0) , the adjacent protons H_a and H_b can each be aligned with (\uparrow) or against (\downarrow) B_0 .
- Thus, the absorbing proton feels three slightly different magnetic fields—one slightly larger than $B_0(\uparrow_a\uparrow_b)$. one slightly smaller than $B_0(\downarrow_a\downarrow_b)$ and one the same strength as $B_0(\uparrow_a\downarrow_b)$.

- Because the absorbing proton feels **three** different magnetic fields, it absorbs at **three** different frequencies in the NMR spectrum, thus splitting a single absorption into a **triplet**.
- Because there are **two** different ways to align one proton with B_0 , and one proton against B_0 —that is, $\uparrow_a \downarrow_b$ and $\downarrow_a \uparrow_b$ —the middle peak of the triplet is **twice** as intense as the two outer peaks, making the ratio of the areas under the three peaks 1:2:1.
- Two adjacent protons split an NMR signal into a triplet.
- When two protons split each other, they are said to be coupled.
- The spacing between peaks in a split NMR signal, measured by the *J* value, is equal for coupled protons.



three different magnetic fields



Observed splitting in signal of H_a

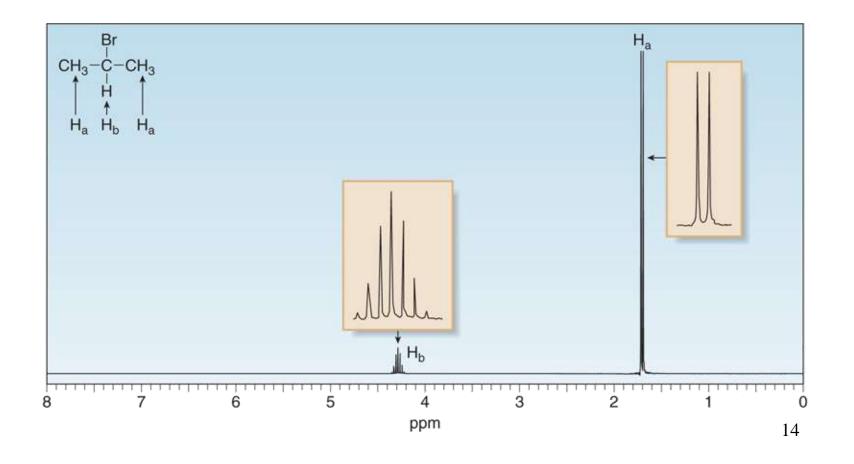
Common Splitting Patterns observed in ¹H NMR

Example	Pattern	Analysis (H _a and H _b are not equivalent.)
[1] -C-C-H _a H _b	H _a H _b	 H_a: one adjacent H_b proton→ two peaks→ a doublet H_b: one adjacent H_a proton→ two peaks→ a doublet
[2] -C-CH ₂ -	H _a H _b	 H_a: two adjacent H_b protons→ three peaks→ a triplet H_b: one adjacent H_a proton→ two peaks→ a doublet
(3) —CH ₂ CH ₂ — † † † H _a H _b	H _a H _b	 H_a: two adjacent H_b protons→ three peaks→ a triplet H_b: two adjacent H_a protons→ three peaks→ a triplet
[4] —CH ₂ CH ₃ † † H _a H _b	H _a H _b	 H_a: three adjacent H_b protons→ four peaks→ a quartet* H_b: two adjacent H_a protons→ three peaks→ a triplet
[5] -C-CH ₃	H _a H _b	 H_a: three adjacent H_b protons→ four peaks→ a quartet* H_b: one adjacent H_a proton→ two peaks→ a doublet

^{*}The relative area under the peaks of a quartet is 1:3:3:1.

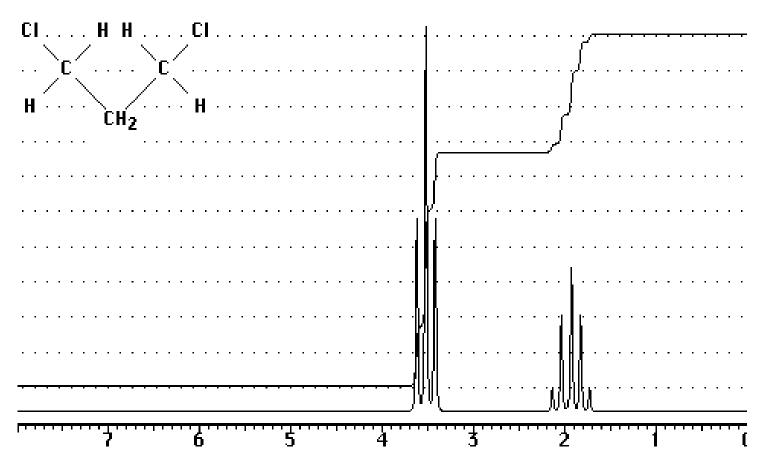
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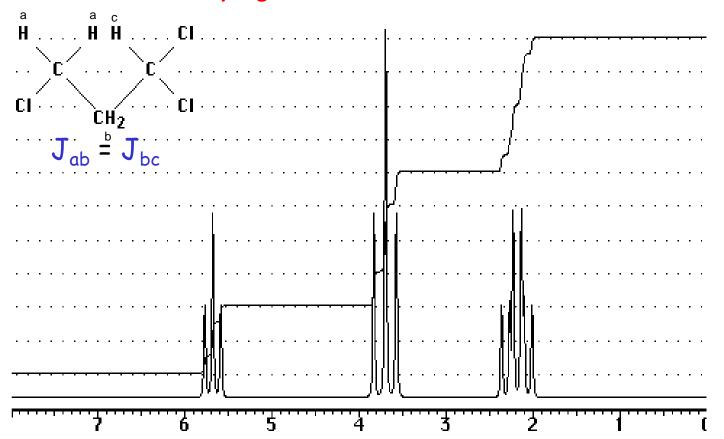
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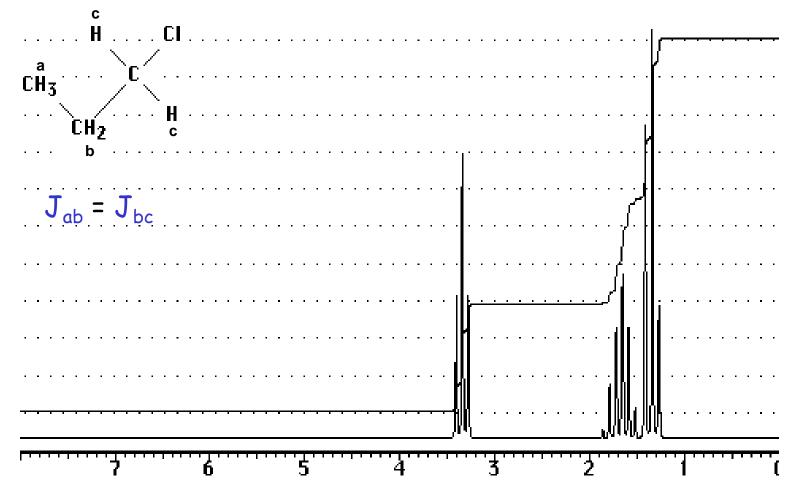
Free rotation around C-C bonds averages coupling constant to J = 7Hz



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Thank You



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