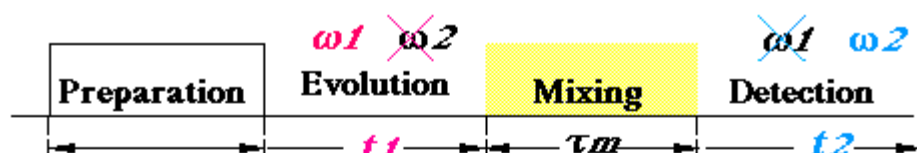


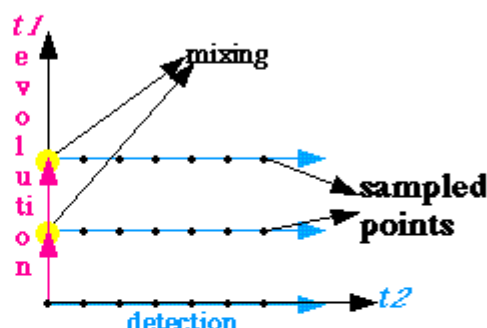
Non-Cartesian Sampling: The Acquisition of 2D NMR Spectra in a Single Scan

Much of our work involves *multidimensional NMR experiments*, in which different interactions are correlated along independent frequency axes. We have developed new, more general ways of carrying out these experiments, based on what we denominate **non-cartesian sampling schemes**.

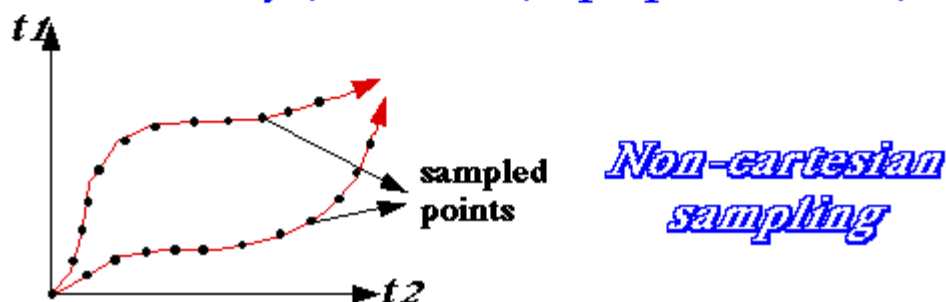
The Standard Scheme of 2D Time-Domain NMR:



During these experiments a cartesian sampling of the (t_1, t_2) time-domain space is taking place



A more general approach: Let the system evolve under arbitrary (but known) "proportions" of (ω_1, ω_2) ,

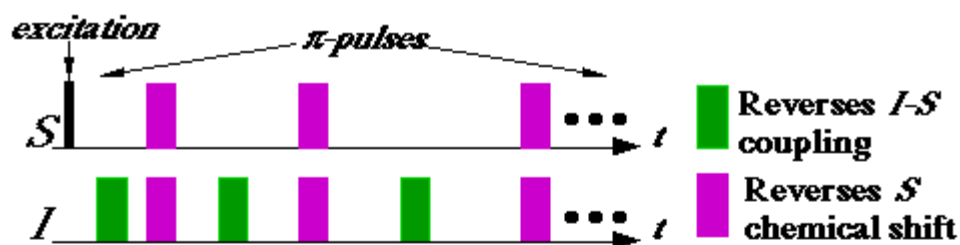


Important Potential Advantages

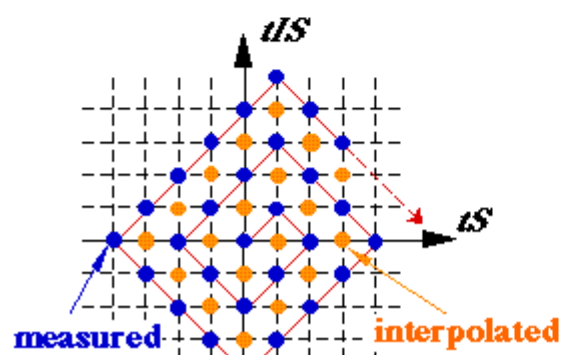
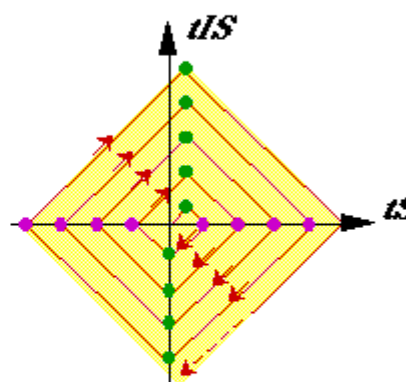
- Does not require suppression of any spin interaction ==> experimentally more flexible
- Time can be used as a *trajectory parameter* for the efficient sampling of multidimensional spaces

We begin by illustrating this latter possibility, with an example of an experiment where a complete 2D time-domain data set is sampled in a single scan. This procedure can be implemented in a number of cases, including for correlations between the chemical shift of an *S*-spin (e.g., ^{13}C) and its coupling to a neighboring *I* nucleus (e.g., ^1H).

The type of pulse sequences that are involved in these experiments:



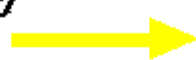
It is possible to visualize the resulting S spin evolution as involving a spiral-like trajectory in the Fourier space conjugate to its I - S coupling and chemical shift



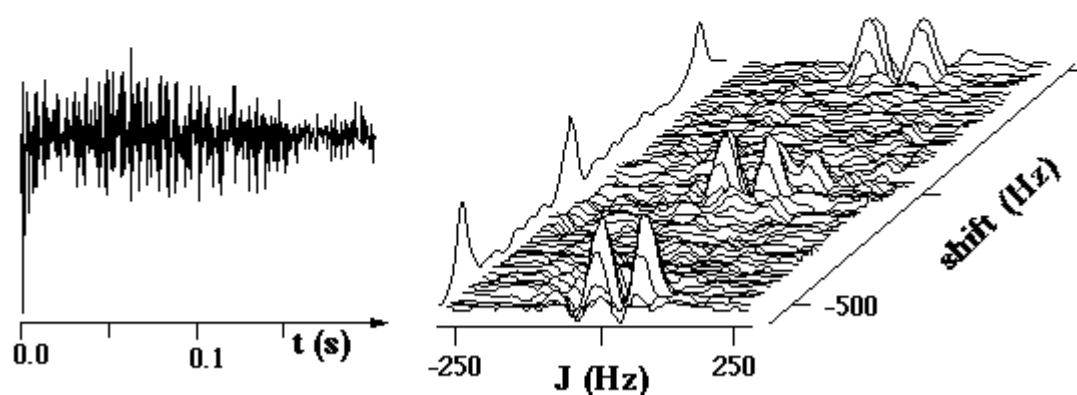
Rearrangement, interpolation and FFT of data acquired during this single-scan experiment yields a 2D shift/coupling NMR correlation spectrum

Experimental Verification

One Scan Acquired on a Pyridine Sample



^{13}C Chemical Shift - J Coupling 2D Correlation Spectrum



Total Acquisition Time: 0.202 s