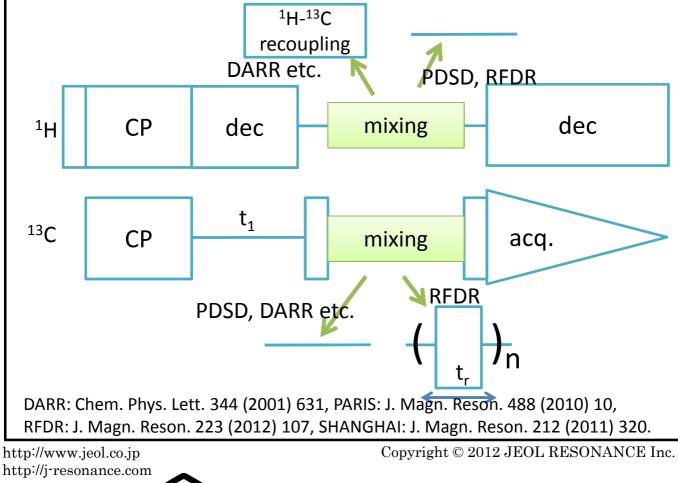
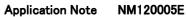
¹³C-¹³C homonuclear correlations in solid-state NMR

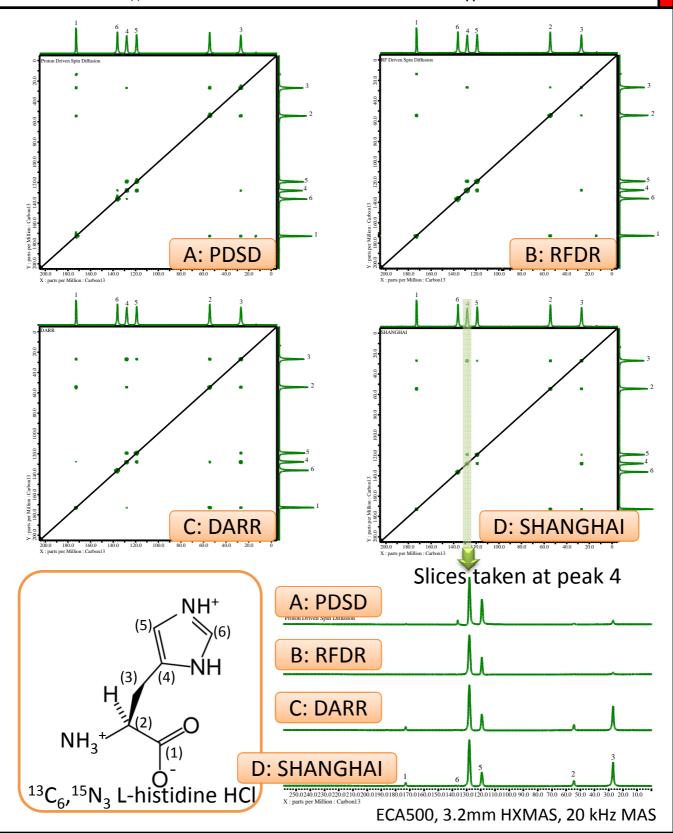
Magic angle spinning (MAS) suppresses anisotropic interactions, leading to high resolution and sensitivity. This also results in the suppression of ¹³C-¹³C spin diffusion even in uniformly ¹³C labeled samples. ¹³C-¹³C spin diffusion without any rf-field irradiation such as in PDSD experiments (Proton-Driven Spin Diffusion) is inefficient; a PDSD spectrum (A) was obtained with a mixing time of 10 ms. The ¹³C-¹³C dipolar interactions can be re-introduced by rotor-synchronous rf-irradiation such as in Radio Frequency Driven Recoupling (RFDR) experiments. An RFDR spectrum (B) gives ¹³C-¹³C correlations with a much shorter mixing time of 1.6 ms. Although RFDR is a very efficient method to recouple ¹³C-¹³C interactions, the dipolar truncation hampers us to obtain two-bond correlations; only directly bonded ¹³C-¹³C correlations are observed in (B). This can be overcome by second-order recoupling methods like DARR, PARIS, SHANGHAI, etc. These methods achieve higher efficiency than PDSD and give two-bond correlations as in (C) and (D). If the dipolar truncation is acceptable, RFDR gives the best efficiency; if not, second-order recoupling methods are the best.



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