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Carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance ($^{13}$C NMR) spectroscopy is a powerful technique for investigating the motional behavior of molecules in solution. Such investigations commonly include the interpretation of $^{13}$C relaxation measurements with specific models of molecular motion. This report describes the fundamental theory and selected results from mathematical modeling programs for three such models, the rigid isotropic and rigid symmetric top rotor models and the flexible symmetric top rotor model, which all have been adopted for interpreting $^{13}$C NMR spin-lattice relaxation time ($T_1$), spin-spin relaxation time ($T_2$), and nuclear Overhauser enhancement factor ($\eta_C$) measurements. The results for the rigid isotropic rotor illustrate the general behavior of $T_1$, $T_2$, and $\eta_C$ as a function of rotational correlation time ($\tau_c$). Results for different magnetic field strengths are included to show the dependence of the relaxation values on field strength. The symmetric top rotor results illustrate how the model’s two correlation times and the orientational dependence of the $^{13}$C–$^1$H relaxation vector with the symmetric top major axis affect relaxation behavior. Finally, the results of the flexible symmetric top rotor model are presented to reveal how progressively adding internal motion into a symmetric top rotor molecule diminishes this orientational dependence.
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1. INTRODUCTION

Nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectroscopy is a tremendously powerful technique for analyzing the structure, conformation, and architecture of molecules and molecular systems. Both one- and two-dimensional methods have provided valuable information for molecules ranging in size from the simplest solvent molecules to extremely large protein complexes. Another valuable application of NMR spectroscopy concerns the property of molecular motion, which is related to many physical, and even biological, functions of molecules in solution. Investigating the motional dynamics of molecular systems provides not only complementary information about structure and conformation, but also a deeper insight into the physical behavior of the molecules in general and the biological properties of molecules from living systems.

NMR spectroscopy has long been exploited to evaluate molecular motions, and has been extensively applied to dynamic problems for many different types of molecules and molecular complexes (Lyerla and Levy, 1974; Heatley, 1979). In particular, carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance ($^{13}$C NMR) relaxation measurements can be used to simultaneously evaluate motion at several different carbon sites on a molecule’s framework. The NMR signal of each carbon nucleus is associated with a set of relaxation parameters that reflect the average interaction of that nucleus with the environment. Such $^{13}$C relaxation parameters, including the spin-lattice relaxation time ($T_1$), spin-spin relaxation time ($T_2$), and the nuclear Overhauser effect (NOE), are related to the spectral density, or power spectrum, of local magnetic fields that are generated by the atomic and electronic environment of the nucleus. Modulated by the overall molecular rotational reorientation, or the tumbling of the molecule in solution, together with its internal motions (motions involving parts of the molecule such as rotations of methyl groups), these local fields can promote relaxation when they have a frequency component at or near the Larmor frequency of the nucleus. This provides a direct link between nuclear magnetic relaxation and molecular motion.

The persistence of the fluctuating local fields before they are averaged to zero by molecular motion, and hence their effectiveness in producing relaxation, is described by a time-correlation function. Because this function embodies all of the information about the mechanisms and rates of motion for molecules, obtaining it is the crucial point for a quantitative interpretation of relaxation data. As described herein, the spectral-density and time-correlation functions are Fourier transform pairs that interrelate motional frequencies (the spectral density function and frequency domain) and motional rates (the time-correlation function and time domain). In the simplest case, the tumbling of a rigid (no internal motions) molecule is described by a single correlation time. This is the rigid isotropic rotor model, which is used to describe the molecular tumbling of highly symmetrical molecules such as methane or fullerenes (buckyballs).
A second model used for rigid molecules is based on the rotational reorientation of a prolate ellipsoid (Woessner, 1962). These ellipsoids are often used as an approximation to symmetric top molecules such as a helix, and the feasibility and reasonableness of this practice has been discussed elsewhere (Torchia et al., 1975; Schleich et al., 1989). This rigid symmetric top rotor model includes two correlation times for describing molecular rotational reorientation about the ellipsoid minor and major axes. In addition, the model can be modified to include the effects of internal motions, giving a third model, the flexible symmetric top rotor model, used to represent flexible helical structures such as DNA fragments (Withka et al., 1991). This report reviews the fundamental theory and selected mathematical results that were created to model $T_1$, $T_2$, and NOE measurements in terms of the three models of overall molecular rotational reorientation. All three models are illustrated in Figure 1.

![Figure 1. Models of overall molecular rotational reorientation.](image)

**Figure 1. Models of overall molecular rotational reorientation.** $\tau_c$ is the correlation time describing the molecular tumbling of an isotropic rotor. The model is commonly used for highly symmetric, small molecules and for symmetric globular proteins. $\tau_x$ and $\tau_z$ are the correlation times for molecular tumbling about the minor ($x$) and major ($z$) axes, respectively, of a symmetric top rotor, which is represented as a prolate ellipsoid. The model is typically used for molecular helices such as small fragments of DNA and $\alpha$-helices. The flexible symmetric top rotor superimposes an effective correlation time, $\tau_e$, onto a symmetric top rotor to account for internal motion.

2. **THEORY**

The purpose of this section is to outline some fundamental aspects as a framework for discussing the quantitative features of nuclear magnetic relaxation and to specifically describe how simple $^{13}$C relaxation theory is used to describe quantitatively simple molecular
motions. More-detailed accounts of nuclear magnetic relaxation can be found in a number of basic textbooks (i.e., Farrar and Becker, 1971; Fukushima and Roeder, 1981; Harris, 1986).

2.1 Principles of $^{13}$C Relaxation

Magnetic relaxation arises from fluctuating terms in the spin Hamiltonian. By far, the most-important term for organic molecules is the intramolecular dipole–dipole interaction, which is time-dependent because of molecular rotation. The relaxation times of $^{13}$C nuclei in $^{13}$CH$_n$ groups ($n > 0$) are dominated by the dipolar interactions with their attached protons, with very few exceptions (Heatley, 1979). Because the $^{13}$C–$^1$H bond length remains constant to a high degree of accuracy from one organic molecule to another, $^{13}$C relaxation times are a reliable probe for molecular mobility. $^{13}$C relaxation times are normally measured with full proton decoupling, and under this condition, the $T_1$ and $T_2$ values for a $^{13}$C nucleus in a $^{13}$CH$_n$ group that is relaxed solely by interaction with the attached protons is given by (Doddrell et al., 1972)

$$\frac{1}{T_1} = \frac{1}{20} \left( \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \right)^2 \frac{\gamma_H^2 \gamma_C^2 h^2}{r_{CH}^6} \left\{ J(\omega_H - \omega_C) + 3J(\omega_C) + 6J(\omega_H - \omega_C) \right\}$$  \hspace{1cm} (1)

and

$$\frac{1}{T_2} = \frac{1}{40} \left( \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \right)^2 \frac{\gamma_H^2 \gamma_C^2 h^2}{r_{CH}^6} \left\{ 4J(0) + J(\omega_H - \omega_C) + 3J(\omega_C) + 6J(\omega_H + \omega_C) \right\}$$  \hspace{1cm} (2)

where $\gamma_H$ and $\gamma_C$ are the nuclear magnetogyric ratios for protons and $^{13}$C nuclei, respectively; $\omega_H$ and $\omega_C$ are the resonance frequencies for protons and $^{13}$C nuclei, respectively; $\mu_0$ is the permeability of free space ($4\pi \times 10^{-7}$ Hm$^{-1}$); and $r_{CH}$ is the internuclear distance (assumed to be a constant 1.09 Å). The $J(\omega)$ terms are the spectral density functions for specific frequencies, which are described in Section 2.2.

Irradiation of the protons gives rise to an enhancement of the integrated $^{13}$C signal intensity due to a $^{13}$C–$^1$H NOE (Doddrell et al., 1972). If the protons are completely saturated, the NOE enhancement factor, commonly designated as NOEF or $\eta_C$, is given by

$$\eta_C = \frac{S^d - S^0}{S^0} = \frac{\gamma_H}{\gamma_C} \left[ \frac{6J(\omega_H + \omega_C) - J(\omega_H - \omega_C)}{J(\omega_H - \omega_C) + 3J(\omega_C) + 6J(\omega_H + \omega_C)} \right]$$  \hspace{1cm} (3)

where $S^d$ and $S^0$ are the $^{13}$C integrated intensities with and without proton irradiation, respectively. Some investigators report NOE values directly rather than $\eta_C$, which are related by

$$\text{NOE} = \frac{S^d}{S^0} = 1 + \eta_C$$  \hspace{1cm} (4)
2.2 Spectral Density Functions

For any one value of $\omega$, $J_n(\omega)$ is defined by

$$J_n(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} G_n(\tau)e^{-i\omega\tau} d\tau$$

(5)

where $G_n(\tau)$ is the autocorrelation function for all time-dependent motional events contributing to the reorientation of the $^{13}$C–$^1$H bond vector in a laboratory-fixed frame

$$G_n(\tau) = \langle F_n^*(t + \tau)F_n(t) \rangle$$

(6)

The equation states that $G_n(\tau)$ is the ensemble average (conformational average) of all $^{13}$C–$^1$H dipole–dipole interactions contributing to the relaxation of the $^{13}$C signal. Each interaction is defined in terms of a space function evaluated at time $t$, and later time $t + \tau$; these are designated as $F_n(t)$ and $F_n(t + \tau)$ in the equation, respectively. The asterisk in the $F_n(t + \tau)$ term designates that its value may include contributions from magnetic field strength inhomogeneities in addition to those from relaxation. The space functions include an angle $\rho$ that relates the orientation of the $^{13}$C–$^1$H bond vector to that of the NMR spectrometer static magnetic field (the $z$ axis of a Cartesian coordinate system fixed in the laboratory frame). There is a single space function for each dimension in three-dimensional space:

$$F_0(t) = \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{1/2}\left[1 - 3\cos^2\rho(t)\right]$$

$$F_1(t) = \left(\frac{15}{8}\right)^{1/2}\left[\sin\rho(t)\cos\theta(t)\exp(i\phi(t))\right]$$

$$F_2(t) = \left(\frac{15}{8}\right)^{1/2}\left[\sin^2\rho(t)\exp(2i\phi(t))\right]$$

In addition, when the value of $r_{CH}$ is time-dependent, it should be included in a refined definition of $G_n(t)$. When a rigid molecule reorients by isotropic rotational diffusion (see Figure 1), $G_n(t)$ is exponential

$$G_n(t) = \overline{|F_n(t)|^2}\exp\left(-\frac{|\tau|}{\tau_c}\right) = \exp\left(-\frac{|\tau|}{\tau_c}\right)$$

(7)

because the quantities $F_n(t)$ are defined to give the unit mean square. Therefore, the subscript $n$ on $J_n(\omega)$ is dropped henceforth, and $J(\omega)$ takes the familiar form

$$J(\omega) = \frac{2\tau_c}{1 + \omega^2\tau_c^2}$$

(8)
Woessner (1962) derived the $J(\omega)$ for anisotropic rotational reorientation in a manner parallel to that described for the isotropic case. Full anisotropic reorientation assumes that rotational reorientation about each of the orthogonal axes in three-dimensional space (the $x$, $y$, and $z$ axes) is unique and therefore is represented by three unique correlation times. The symmetric top rotor is a special case of this model where the molecular tumbling about two of the three axes is identical (degenerate), and both can be represented by a single correlation time to give a total of two unique correlation times ($\tau_x$ and $\tau_z$ in Figure 1). The identical tumbling rates can arise from molecular symmetry, which is why the model is used for helical molecules.

The $J(\omega)$ for a rigid symmetric top rotor can be derived by replacing $\tau_c$ in eq 8 with an effective correlation time that relates the $^{13}\text{C}^{1}\text{H}$ relaxation vector to the major axis ($\tau_z$) with an angle, $\beta$. Expressed in terms of $\tau_x$ and $\tau_z$, $J(\omega)$ takes the following form:

$$J(\omega) = 12\tau_x \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{4} \right) \frac{3\cos^2\beta - 1}{6} + \frac{3\sin^2(2\beta)}{5 + \frac{\tau_x}{\tau_z}} \right\} + 1 + \omega^2 \left[ 12\tau_x \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{4} \right) \frac{3\cos^2\beta - 1}{6} \right\} \right. $$

$$+ \left. \left( \frac{3}{4} \right) \frac{\sin^4\beta}{2 + 4\left( \frac{\tau_x}{\tau_z} \right)} \right] $$

$$+ \left( \frac{3}{4} \right) \frac{\sin^2(2\beta)}{5 + \frac{\tau_x}{\tau_z}} \left( 1 + \omega^2 \right) \left\{ 2 + 4\left( \frac{\tau_x}{\tau_z} \right) \right\} \right]$$

In cases where $\tau_x = \tau_z$, the equation reduces to the isotropic rotor $J(\omega)$ shown in eq 8, regardless of the value for $\beta$.

Equation 8 can also be modified to include the effects of internal motion for a symmetric top rotor by substituting $\tau_c$ with a different effective correlation time, designated herein as $\tau_e$. Described by Withka and coworkers (1991), $\tau_e$ not only relates the $^{13}\text{C}^{1}\text{H}$ relaxation vector to $\tau_z$ with $\beta$, but also relates the internal diffusion of the $^{13}\text{C}^{1}\text{H}$ relaxation vector within an ellipsoid cone (refer to the symmetric top rotor with internal motions model in Figure 1). The expression for $\tau_e$ is

$$\tau_e = \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{1}{8\exp(4\theta^2)} + \frac{9\cos(2\beta)}{2\exp(2\theta^2)} + \frac{9\cos(4\beta)}{8\exp(4\theta^2)} \right)$$

$$+ \frac{9}{16} \left( \frac{1}{\exp(4\theta^2)} - \frac{1}{2\exp(2\theta^2)} \right)$$

$$+ \frac{2\cos(2\beta) - \cos(4\beta)\exp(-4\theta^2 - 4e^2)}{\exp(2\theta^2) - 2}$$

$$+ \frac{9\exp(-4\theta^2) - \exp(-4\theta^2 - e^2)\cos(4\beta)}{16(\tau_x^{-1} + 2\tau_z^{-1})}$$

$$+ \frac{9\exp(-4\theta^2) - \exp(-4\theta^2 - e^2)\cos(4\beta)}{4(5\tau_x^{-1} + \tau_z^{-1})}$$

(10)
In the equation, $\theta$ is the square root of the mean square polar angle of motion, and $\varepsilon$ is the square root of the mean square azimuthal angle of motion. In the absence of internal motions ($\theta = \varepsilon = 0^\circ$), the expression that is derived from substituting $\tau_c$ in eq 8 with $\tau_c$ reduces to the symmetric top rotor $J(\omega)$ in eq 9.

3. COMPUTER CODE DEVELOPMENT

The software program MLAB (Civilized Software, Inc.; Silver Spring, MD) was used to create mathematical modeling programs to plot $T_1$, $T_2$, and $\eta_C$ values as a function of correlation time for the rigid isotropic and symmetric top rotor models and for the flexible symmetric top rotor model. Magnetic field strengths of 11.75, 16.45, 18.8, and 21.5 T (Tesla; $^1$H Larmor frequencies of 500, 700, 800, and 900 MHz, respectively) were used exclusively, as these are commercially available field strengths that are typically found in $^{13}$C nuclear magnetic relaxation investigations. The effects of varying $\beta$ in both symmetric top rotor models were also evaluated in detail. In every case, the computer code was rigorously tested to ensure that their results returned the relaxation behavior described in textbooks and the scientific literature. For all calculations, a value of 1.09 Å was used for $r_{CH}$. Appendix A contains the computer code used to generate Figures 2–8.

4. RESULTS

The results for the rigid isotropic rotor are presented to illustrate the general behavior of $T_1$, $T_2$, and $\eta_C$ as a function of $\tau_c$. Calculated data for different magnetic field strengths are included to illustrate the field strength dependence of nuclear magnetic relaxation. The rigid symmetric top rotor results are then presented to show how parameters specific to the model affect relaxation behavior. Data calculated for this model also include rigid isotropic rotor data that are provided strictly for comparison, and only a single magnetic field strength is shown to ensure that the figures are clearly presented. The results from the flexible symmetric top rotor model are presented last, in a manner revealing how progressively adding internal motion into a symmetric top rotor affects $\tau_e$ values.

4.1 The Rigid Isotropic Rotor Model

Figure 2 shows rigid isotropic rotor $T_1$ values as a function of $\tau_c$, which was calculated at magnetic field strengths of 16.45, 18.80, and 21.15 T. The corresponding $T_2$ and $\eta_C$ results are shown in Figures 3 and 4, respectively. As these relaxation times and $\eta_C$ values are frequency-dependent quantities (see eqs 1–3), their behaviors are closely related to the relative magnitudes of $\omega$ and $\tau_c$ in eq 8. For rapid motions ($\omega \ll 1/\tau_c$), eq 8 becomes

$$J(\omega) = \langle F^2(0) \rangle 2\tau_c$$
and $T_1$, $T_2$, and $\eta_C$ are all quantities that are not dependent on magnetic field strength, which decreases continually as $\tau_c$ increases (motions become slower). This field strength independence for both relaxation times, and their continual decrease associated with increasing $\tau_c$, are clearly shown in Figures 2 and 3 for $\tau_c \leq 10^{-11}$ s. In this region of fast motions, which is the so-called extreme narrowing limit, eqs 1–3 simplify to

$$\frac{1}{T_1} = \frac{1}{T_2} = \frac{\gamma_H^2 \gamma_C^2 \hbar^2}{r_{CH}^6} \tau_c$$

(12)

and

$$\eta_C = \frac{S^d - S^0}{S^0} = \frac{\gamma_H}{2 \gamma_C} = 1.988$$

(13)

Equation 12 indicates that $T_1 = T_2$ in this region, which can be seen by comparing Figures 2 and 3, while eq 13 shows that $\eta_C$ also attains its maximum value of 1.988 in this region, which is determined directly by the magnetogyric ratios $\gamma_H$ and $\gamma_C$. The latter point is illustrated in Figure 4, where the $\eta_C$ values for all three magnetic field strengths reach this maximum value at $\tau_c = 10^{-11}$ s.

Figure 2. Rigid isotropic rotor $T_1$ as a function of $\tau_c$. Results are shown for magnetic field strengths of 16.45, 18.80, and 21.15 T.
At a Larmor frequency of $\omega \approx 1/\tau_c$; relaxation is the most effective; $J(\omega)$ attains its maximum value; and as shown in Figure 2, $T_1$ values reach a minimum. For longer correlation times ($\omega > 1/\tau_c$) outside the extreme narrowing limit, relaxation again becomes less effective, and $T_1$ values increase and become frequency-dependent quantities. This frequency dependence is shown in Figure 2 starting at $\tau_c \approx 10^{-11}$ s and continues as motion slows. $T_2$ also becomes frequency-dependent at long $\tau_c$, but unlike $T_1$, $T_2$ decreases continually with $\tau_c$ to the limit where motion is considered frozen (Figure 3). This behavior is due to the zero frequency-dependence of $T_2$ (compare eqs 1 and 2) arising from fluctuations in the local fields along the $z$ direction, which is equivalent in the laboratory-fixed frame and molecular system of coordinates. Furthermore, and as shown in Figure 4, $\eta_C$ also decreases progressively to lower values as motion slows and asymptotically reaches a minimum value of 0.15 for a long $\tau_c$. Therefore, $\eta_C$ can have values much less than 1.988, despite the fact that dipole–dipole interaction is the dominant relaxation mechanism. The three magnetic field strengths in the figure reveal that $\eta_C$ can also be a frequency-dependent parameter outside of the extreme narrowing limit. Figure 4 shows that as field strength increases, $\eta_C$ values concomitantly decrease in this region.

Figure 3. Rigid isotropic rotor $T_2$ as a function of $\tau_c$. Results are shown for magnetic field strengths of 16.45, 18.80, and 21.15 T.
Figure 4. Rigid isotropic rotor $\eta_C$ (NOEF) as a function of $\tau_c$. Results are shown for magnetic field strengths of 16.45, 18.80, and 21.15 T.

4.2 The Rigid Symmetric Top Rotor Model

In contrast with the isotropic rotor model, the symmetric top rotor model contains three parameters, $\tau_x$, $\tau_z$, and $\beta$. A large number of plots can be generated by varying one or more of these parameters to illustrate their theoretical effects on nuclear magnetic relaxation. For simplicity, however, figures displaying symmetric top rotor calculations are presented to illustrate how varying a single parameter of the model theoretically affects $T_1$ or $\eta_C$ and returns the model to the isotropic rotor model.

4.2.1 Results of Varying $\beta$

Figure 5 illustrates the influence of varying $\beta$ for a rigid symmetric top rotor on $T_1$ values. It is of particular interest to consider the $\beta = 0^\circ$ curve because this angle orients the $^{13}$C–$^1$H relaxation vector parallel to the ellipsoid long axis, where it is not reoriented by rotation about the axis. The curve, therefore, corresponds to the isotropic reorientation of the $^{13}$C–$^1$H vector by only $\tau_x$. When $\beta > 0^\circ$, the contributions of both $\tau_x$ and $\tau_z$ to $J(\omega)$ change concomitantly, and $T_1$ values change in response. As $\beta$ increases from $0^\circ$, the $\tau_z$ contribution to
$J(\omega)$ gradually increases until it reaches a maximum at 90°. At the same time, the corresponding $\tau_x$ contribution gradually decreases to a minimum at this same $\beta$ value. Because the $T_1$ curves were calculated with $\tau_x > \tau_z$, the overall apparent effect is the same as that of increasing the molecular weight or decreasing the temperature. As is shown in Figure 5, this results in $T_1$ values that concomitantly increase for $\tau_x < 1/\omega$ (the extreme narrowing region) and decrease for larger values of $\tau_x$, as $\beta$ increases from 0 to 90°. Graphically, the entire $T_1$ curve for $\beta = 0°$ appears to be displaced horizontally toward longer $\tau_x$ values (slower rotation) as $\beta$ approaches 90°. As expected, the $\beta = 0°$ curves for the corresponding $T_2$ and $\eta_C$ calculations also appear to be displaced toward longer $\tau_x$ values as $\beta$ increases from 0 to 90° (not shown). Collectively, these results demonstrate that there can be a strong dependence on $\beta$ for relaxation times and $\eta_C$ values. It is clear from Figure 5 that the curves can provide a reliable estimate of $T_1$ only if the value of $\beta$ for a $^{13}$C–$^1$H vector is accurately known.

Figure 5. Changes in symmetric top rotor $T_1$ induced by varying $\beta$. Rigid symmetric top rotor $T_1$ values are plotted as a function of $\tau_x$, as calculated for $\beta = 0°$ (---), 30° (-----), 60° (-----), and 90° (------). All values were calculated with $\tau_x$ three times larger than $\tau_z$ at a magnetic field strength of 18.80 T.
For the interpretation of NMR relaxation results with the symmetric top rotor model, $\beta$ values are measured from an assumed or established conformation of the molecule under investigation and can have values between 0 and 180°. As the angles increase from 90°, the $\tau_z$ contribution to $J(\omega)$ begins to gradually decrease until $\beta = 180^\circ$, where the $^{13}$C–$^1$H relaxation vector is once again parallel to the ellipsoid long axis (as in the case of $\beta = 0^\circ$), and $\tau_z$ no longer contributes to $J(\omega)$. In concomitant fashion, the $\tau_x$ contribution to $J(\omega)$ gradually increases to a maximum at $\beta = 180^\circ$, where the $^{13}$C–$^1$H relaxation vector is once again parallel to the ellipsoid long axis (as in the case of $\beta = 0^\circ$), and $\tau_z$ no longer contributes to $J(\omega)$. This is the opposite behavior from that described previously for $\beta$ that increase from 0 to 90°, and this is reflected in the theoretical relaxation times and $\eta_C$ values. For example, as $\beta$ increases from 90°, the $\beta = 90^\circ$ curve in Figure 5 appears to be displaced back toward shorter $\tau_x$ values (faster reorientation) until $\beta = 180^\circ$, where the curve returns to and superimposes with the $\beta = 0^\circ$ curve. Therefore, although Figure 5 only shows data for $0^\circ \leq \beta \leq 90^\circ$, the full range of $T_1$ behavior for $0^\circ \leq \beta \leq 180^\circ$ is represented in the figure. As expected, the analogous symmetric top rotor $T_2$ and $\eta_C$ curves for $\beta = 90^\circ$ also appear to be horizontally displaced in a similar manner toward shorter $\tau_x$ values as $\beta$ increases form $90^\circ$ (not shown).

4.2.2 Results from Varying $\tau_z/\tau_x$

The consequences of changing the relative values of the two symmetric top correlation times, which are expressed as $\tau_z/\tau_x$, on nuclear magnetic relaxation are illustrated in Figures 6 and 7. Figure 6 shows the theoretical 18.80 T $T_1$ values as a function of $\tau_x$ using $\beta = 60^\circ$ and three different values of $\tau_z/\tau_x$, and the corresponding $\eta_C$ data are shown in Figure 7. In both figures, the $\tau_z/\tau_x = 1$ curve corresponds to the isotropic reorientation of the $^{13}$C–$^1$H vector.

The simplest and most-straightforward approach to explaining the effects of varying $\tau_z/\tau_x$ is by considering the expression in terms of an effective correlation time (not the $\tau_z$ specifically defined in eq 10). Increasing $\tau_z/\tau_x$ results in a larger values for the effective correlation time (slower rotation), which will be directly reflected in the calculated relaxation times and $\eta_C$ values. For example, Figure 6 reveals that as $\tau_z/\tau_x$ values increase from 1 to 10, $T_1$ values decrease for all $\tau_x < 1/\omega$ (the extreme narrowing region) and increase for larger $\tau_x$ values; these are the same results observed when increasing molecular weight or decreasing temperature. The figure also shows that the isotropic rotor $T_1$ curve appears to be displaced horizontally toward shorter values of $\tau_x$ (faster rotation) when $\tau_z/\tau_x$ is changed from 1 to 10. An analogous horizontal displacement of the isotropic rotor $\eta_C$ curve is also shown in Figure 7 and also occurs for $T_2$ curves (not shown). Such displacements occur concomitantly for all relaxation times and $\eta_C$ values, as long as $\tau_z/\tau_x$ increases. However, the amount of this displacement decreases as $\tau_z/\tau_x$ values increase because the same increment of $\tau_z$ contributes continually less to the value of $\tau_z/\tau_x$ as it increases. And, as expected, the opposite effect occurs when the value of $\tau_z/\tau_x$ is decreased. In Figures 6 and 7 for example, when $\tau_z/\tau_x$ is decreased from 1 to 0.1, the isotropic rotor $T_1$ and $\eta_C$ curves are horizontally displaced toward larger $\tau_x$ values.
Figure 6. Rigid symmetric top rotor $T_1$ as a function of $\tau_x$ for different values of $\tau_z/\tau_x$. Results were calculated using $\beta = 60^\circ$; a magnetic field strength of 18.80 T; and $\tau_z/\tau_x$ values of 0.1, 1, and 10.

Figure 7. Rigid symmetric top rotor $\eta_C$ (NOEF) as a function of $\tau_x$ for different values of $\tau_z/\tau_x$. Results were calculated using $\beta = 60^\circ$; a magnetic field strength of 18.80 T; and $\tau_z/\tau_x$ values of 0.1, 1, and 10.
4.3 The Flexible Symmetric Top Rotor Model

The consequences of adding internal motion into the symmetric top rotor model are most easily demonstrated by using the $\tau_c$ that is defined in eq 10. Figure 8 shows the change in $\tau_c$ for an ellipsoid with $\tau_z/\tau_x = 3.5$ as a function of $\beta$ and $\theta$. The results clearly revealed that in the presence of such conformational motion (increasing $\theta$), the dependence of $\tau_c$ on $\beta$ diminishes. When the extent of internal conformational motion approaches $25^\circ$, the $\beta$ dependence of the correlation time is somewhat diminished, and it becomes somewhat negligible at around $45^\circ$ of motion. In the presence of sufficient internal motion, therefore, the strong dependence on $\beta$, shown in Figure 5, would significantly diminish, and the displacement of the $T_1$ curve toward longer $\tau_x$ as $\beta$ increases from 0 to $90^\circ$ would become more modest (not shown).

Figure 8. The diminishing dependence on $\beta$ induced by increasing internal motion. The flexible symmetric top rotor $\tau_c$ is plotted as a function of $\beta$ and $\theta$ for $\tau_z/\tau_x = 3.5$. Values for $\tau_c$ are relative to the highest value on the three-dimensional surface, and all angles are shown in degrees.
5. DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS

A total of 25 mathematical modeling programs have been developed for the rigid isotropic and symmetric top rotor models, as well as for the flexible symmetric top rotor model. These modeling programs were used to plot the dependence of $T_1$, $T_2$, and $\eta_C$ on various correlation times. The programs all used one of four different magnetic field strengths: 11.75, 16.45, 18.8, or 21.5 T, which are the commercially available field strengths that are commonly used for $^{13}$C nuclear magnetic relaxation investigations. All programs were rigorously tested to ensure that the results returned were in agreement with the relaxation behavior that was described in the textbooks and scientific literature. Particular attention was given to those programs that used the two symmetric top rotor models, as changing their corresponding parameters to specific values must return results that are identical to the isotropic rotor or rigid symmetric top models. For example, Figure 5 shows that the rigid symmetric top rotor model returned the rigid isotropic rotor model at $\beta = 0^\circ$, and Figures 6 and 7 showed this same effect when $\tau_z/\tau_x = 1$. In a similar manner, the flexible symmetric top rotor model was tested for its ability to return the rigid symmetric top rotor model by removing all internal motion. The end result is very robust computer code that can be used for modeling $^{13}$C nuclear magnetic relaxation data in terms of the three models studied herein. One useful modification of the programs would be to keep the robust mathematical code unaltered while adding new code statements that would allow experimental relaxation data to be curve-fit to each of the models (Henderson et al., 2003). Such modifications are currently in progress, along with the creation of additional mathematical modeling programs that use statistical distributions of correlation times to model very flexible molecules (McCall et al., 1959; Connor, 1964; Schaefer, 1973).
LITERATURE CITED


ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

\( \beta \)  
angle between the \( ^{13}\text{C}-^{1}\text{H} \) bond (\( ^{13}\text{C}-^{1}\text{H} \) relaxation vector) and the prolate ellipsoid major (\( z \)) axis in a symmetric top rotor

\( \gamma_{C} \)  
magnetogyric ratio for \( ^{13}\text{C} \) nuclei

\( \gamma_{H} \)  
magnetogyric ratio for protons

\( \varepsilon \)  
\[ \text{square root of the mean square azimuthal angle of motion for a flexible symmetric top rotor} \]

\( \theta \)  
\[ \text{square root of the mean square polar angle of motion for a flexible symmetric top rotor} \]

\( \mu_{0} \)  
\[ \text{permeability of free space} \]

\( \rho \)  
angle between the \( ^{13}\text{C}-^{1}\text{H} \) bond (\( ^{13}\text{C}-^{1}\text{H} \) relaxation vector) and the direction of a static magnetic field (the \( z \) axis of a Cartesian coordinate system fixed in the laboratory frame)

\( \tau_{c} \)  
\[ \text{isotropic rotational correlation time} \]

\( \tau_{e} \)  
\[ \text{flexible symmetric top rotor effective correlation time} \]

\( \tau_{x} \)  
\[ \text{symmetric top correlation time for rotation about the minor (} x \text{) axis} \]

\( \tau_{z} \)  
\[ \text{symmetric top correlation time for rotation about the major (} z \text{) axis} \]

\( \omega_{C} \)  
\[ \text{resonance frequency for } ^{13}\text{C} \text{ nuclei} \]

\( \omega_{H} \)  
\[ \text{resonance frequency for protons} \]

\( ^{13}\text{C} \text{ NMR} \)  
\[ \text{carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance} \]

\( F_{n}(t) \)  
\[ \text{space function for the } n^{th} \text{ dimension defined in the laboratory-fixed frame} \]

\( G_{n}(\tau) \)  
\[ \text{autocorrelation function for all time-dependent motional events in the } n^{th} \text{ dimension, defined in the laboratory-fixed frame} \]

\( J(\omega) \)  
\[ \text{spectral density function} \]

\( \text{NMR} \)  
\[ \text{nuclear magnetic resonance} \]

\( \text{NOE} \)  
\[ \text{nuclear Overhauser effect} \]

\( \text{NOEF} \)  
\[ \text{nuclear Overhauser effect enhancement factor (also } \eta_{C} \text{)} \]

\( r_{\text{CH}} \)  
\[ ^{13}\text{C}-^{1}\text{H internuclear distance} \]

\( S^{0} \)  
\[ ^{13}\text{C} \text{ signal integrated intensity acquired without proton irradiation} \]

\( S^{0} \)  
\[ ^{13}\text{C} \text{ signal integrated intensity acquired with proton irradiation} \]

\( t \)  
\[ \text{time} \]

\( T \)  
\[ \text{Tesla (unit of magnetic field strength)} \]

\( T_{1} \)  
\[ \text{spin-lattice relaxation time} \]

\( T_{2} \)  
\[ \text{spin-spin relaxation time} \]
APPENDIX

MLAB CODE USED TO GENERATE FIGURES 2 THROUGH 8

A.1 PROGRAM CODE FOR FIGURE 2

"ISOPLOTT1.DO: A MLAB program which plots {1H}13C T1 values as a function of "
"correlation time for a rigid isotropic rotor"
"
"Code for 16.45, 18.80 and 21.15 T static fields"
"
"WRITTEN 30-31 OCTOBER 2013 BY TERRY J. HENDERSON"

/* PLOT WINDOW STATEMENTS */
DETERM W
WINDOW -12 TO -6, -1 TO 2 IN W
XAXIS -12:-6:1 PT DTICK LABEL -12:-6:1 LABELSIZE .015 FFRACT OFFSET(-.02, -.03) IN W
YAXIS -12&'-1:2:1 PT LTICK LABEL -1:2:1 LABELSIZE .015 FFRACT OFFSET(-.04, -.007) IN W
TITLE "ISOTROPIC ROTOR T'.3D'.7S1'1.435S'.3U" AT (.31,.9)FFRACT IN W
TITLE "21.15 T" AT (.6,.8)FFRACT IN W
TITLE "16.45 T and" AT (.57,.25)FFRACT IN W
TITLE "18.80 T (center)" AT (.525,.2)FFRACT IN W
TITLE "Log '15Tt'R'.3D'.7sc'1.43s'.3U (s)" AT (.41, 0.04) FFRACT IN W
TITLE "Log T'.3D'.7S1'1.435S'.3U (s)" AT (.06,.38) FFRACT ANGLE 90 IN W

/* SPECTRAL DENSITY FUNCTIONS */
FUNCTION CAR7(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((1.22367*10^18)*((TAU)^2)))
FUNCTION DIF7(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((1.08431*10^19)*((TAU)^2)))
FUNCTION SUM7(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((3.03079*10^19)*((TAU)^2)))

/* For 16.45 T - 700 MHz Operating Frequency */
FUNCTION T1L(TAU) = (9.30908*10^-10)/(DIF7(TAU)+(3*CAR7(TAU))+(6*SUM7(TAU)))

/* For 18.80 T - 800 MHz Operating Frequency */
FUNCTION T1M(TAU) = (9.30908*10^-10)/(DIF8(TAU)+(3*CAR8(TAU))+(6*SUM8(TAU)))

/* For 21.15 T - 900 MHz Operating Frequency */
FUNCTION T1H(TAU) = (9.30908*10^-10)/(DIF9(TAU)+(3*CAR9(TAU))+(6*SUM9(TAU)))

/* EXPRESSIONS FOR T1 */
/* For 16.45 T - 700 MHz Operating Frequency */
FUNCTION T1L(TAU) = (9.30908*10^-10)/(DIF7(TAU)+(3*CAR7(TAU))+(6*SUM7(TAU)))
/* For 18.80 T - 800 MHz Operating Frequency */
FUNCTION T1M(TAU) = (9.30908*10^-10)/(DIF8(TAU)+(3*CAR8(TAU))+(6*SUM8(TAU)))
/* For 21.15 T - 900 MHz Operating Frequency */
FUNCTION T1H(TAU) = (9.30908*10^-10)/(DIF9(TAU)+(3*CAR9(TAU))+(6*SUM9(TAU)))

/* OUTPUT STATEMENTS */
/* For 16.45 T */
P1 = POINTS(T1L, 1E-12:1E-9:1E-14)
P2 = POINTS(T1L, 1E-9:1E-6:1E-11)
DRAW LOGLOG(P1)
DRAW LOGLOG(P2)

/* For 18.80 T */
U1 = POINTS(T1M, 1E-12:1E-9:1E-14)
U2 = POINTS(T1M, 1E-9:1E-6:1E-11)
DRAW LOGLOG(U1) LT 2
DRAW LOGLOG(U2) LT 2

/* For 21.15 T */
X1 = POINTS(T1H, 1E-12:1E-9:1E-14)
X2 = POINTS(T1H, 1E-9:1E-6:1E-11)
DRAW LOGLOG(X1) LT 3
DRAW LOGLOG(X2) LT 3

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A.2 PROGRAM CODE FOR FIGURE 3

"ISOPLOTT2.DO: A MLAB program which plots {1H}13C T2 values as a function of correlation time for a rigid isotropic rotor"

"Code for 16.45, 18.80 and 21.15 T static fields"

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/* PLOT WINDOW STATEMENTS */
DELETE W
WINDOW -12 TO -6, -4 TO 2 IN W
XAXIS -12:6:1 PT DTICK LABEL -12:-6:1 LABELSIZE .015 FFRACT OFFSET(-.02, -.03) IN W
YAXIS -4:2:1 PT LTICK LABEL -4:2:1 LABELSIZE .015 FFRACT OFFSET(-.04, -.007) IN W
TITLE "ISOTROPIC ROTOR T'.3D'.7S2'1.435S'.3U" AT (.31,.9) FFRACT IN W
TITLE "21.15 T" AT (.42,.6) IN W
TITLE "16.45 T and" AT (.28,.47) IN W
TITLE "18.80 T (center)" AT (.23,.42) IN W
TITLE "Log '15Tt'R'.3D'.7sc'1.43s'.3U (s)" AT (.41, 0.04) FFRACT IN W
TITLE "Log T'.3D'.7S2'1.435S'.3U (s)" AT (.06,.38) FFRACT ANGLE 90 IN W

/* SPECTRAL DENSITY FUNCTIONS */

FUNCTION ZER(TAU) = 2*TAU

FUNCTION CAR7(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((1.22367*10^18)*((TAU)^2)))
FUNCTION PRO7(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((1.93518*10^19)*((TAU)^2)))
FUNCTION DIF7(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((1.08431*10^19)*((TAU)^2)))
FUNCTION SUM7(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((3.03079*10^19)*((TAU)^2)))

FUNCTION CAR8(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((1.59829*10^18)*((TAU)^2)))
FUNCTION PRO8(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((2.52746*10^19)*((TAU)^2)))
FUNCTION DIF8(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((1.41614*10^19)*((TAU)^2)))
FUNCTION SUM8(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((3.95845*10^19)*((TAU)^2)))

FUNCTION CAR9(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((2.023*10^18)*((TAU)^2)))

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FUNCTION PRO9(\(\tau\)) = \((2*\tau)/(1+((3.19884*10^{19})*((\tau)^2)))\)

FUNCTION DIF9(\(\tau\)) = \((2*\tau)/(1+((1.79226*10^{19})*((\tau)^2)))\)

FUNCTION SUM9(\(\tau\)) = \((2*\tau)/(1+((5.01002*10^{19})*((\tau)^2)))\)

/ * EXPRESSIONS FOR T2 * /

/ * For 16.45 T - 700 MHz Operating Frequency * /

FUNCTION T2L(\(\tau\)) = \((1.86182*10^{-9})/((4*ZER(\tau))+DIF7(\tau)+(3*CAR7(\tau))+(6*PRO7(\tau))+(6*SUM7(\tau)))\)

/ * For 18.80 T - 800 MHz Operating Frequency * /

FUNCTION T2M(\(\tau\)) = \((1.86182*10^{-9})/((4*ZER(\tau))+DIF8(\tau)+(3*CAR8(\tau))+(6*PRO8(\tau))+(6*SUM8(\tau)))\)

/ * For 21.15 T - 900 MHz Operating Frequency * /

FUNCTION T2H(\(\tau\)) = \((1.86182*10^{-9})/((4*ZER(\tau))+DIF9(\tau)+(3*CAR9(\tau))+(6*PRO9(\tau))+(6*SUM9(\tau)))\)

/ * OUTPUT STATEMENTS * /

/ * For 16.45 T * /

Q1 = POINTS(T2L, 1E-12:1E-9:1E-14)
Q2 = POINTS(T2L, 1E-9:1E-6:1E-11)
DRAW LOGLOG(Q1)
DRAW LOGLOG(Q2)

/ * For 18.80 T * /

V1 = POINTS(T2M, 1E-12:1E-9:1E-14)
V2 = POINTS(T2M, 1E-9:1E-6:1E-11)
DRAW LOGLOG(V1) LT 2
DRAW LOGLOG(V2) LT 2

/ * For 21.15 T * /

Y1 = POINTS(T2H, 1E-12:1E-9:1E-14)
Y2 = POINTS(T2H, 1E-9:1E-6:1E-11)
DRAW LOGLOG(Y1) LT 3
DRAW LOGLOG(Y2) LT 3

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A.3 PROGRAM CODE FOR FIGURE 4

/* PLOT WINDOW STATEMENTS */

DELETE W
WINDOW -11 TO -8, 0 TO 2.5 IN W
XAXIS -11:-8:1 PT DTICK LABEL -11:-8:1 LABELSIZE .015 FFRACT OFFSET(-.02, -.03) IN W
YAXIS -11&'0:2.5:.5 PT LTICK LABEL 0:2.5:.5 LABELSIZE .015 FFRACT OFFSET(-.06, -.007) IN W
TITLE "ISOTROPIC ROTOR NOEF" AT (.30,.9)FFRACT IN W
TITLE "18.8 T (center)" AT (.15,.4)FFRACT IN W
TITLE "and 21.15 T" at (.18,.35)FFRACT IN W
TITLE "16.45 T" AT (.4,.65)FFRACT IN W
TITLE "Log '15Tt'R'.3D'.7sc'1.43s'.3U (s)" AT (.41, 0.04) FFRACT IN W
TITLE "NOEF" AT (.055,.449) FFRACT ANGLE 90 IN W

/* SPECTRAL DENSITY FUNCTIONS */

FUNCTION CAR7(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((1.22367*10^18)*((TAU)^2)))
FUNCTION DIFF7(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((1.08431*10^19)*((TAU)^2)))
FUNCTION SUM7(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((3.03079*10^19)*((TAU)^2)))

FUNCTION CAR8(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((1.59829*10^18)*((TAU)^2)))
FUNCTION DIFF8(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((1.41614*10^19)*((TAU)^2)))
FUNCTION SUM8(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((3.95845*10^19)*((TAU)^2)))

FUNCTION CAR9(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((2.023*10^18)*((TAU)^2)))
FUNCTION DIFF9(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((1.79226*10^19)*((TAU)^2)))
FUNCTION SUM9(TAU) = (2*TAU)/(1+((5.01002*10^19)*((TAU)^2)))

/* EXPRESSIONS FOR NOEF */

FUNCTION NOEFL(TAU) = 3.97607*(((6*SUM7(TAU))-DIFF7(TAU))/(DIFF7(TAU)+(3*CAR7(TAU))+(6*SUM7(TAU))))
FUNCTION NOEFM(TAU) = 3.97607*(((6*SUM8(TAU))-DIFF8(TAU))/(DIFF8(TAU)+(3*CAR8(TAU))+(6*SUM8(TAU))))
FUNCTION NOEFH(TAU) = 3.97607*(((6*SUM9(TAU))-DIFF9(TAU))/(DIFF9(TAU)+(3*CAR9(TAU))+(6*SUM9(TAU))))

/* OUTPUT STATEMENTS */

R1 = POINTS(NOEFL, 1E-12:1E-9:1E-14)
R2 = POINTS(NOEFL, 1E-9:1E-6:1E-11)
DRAW LOGLIN(R1)
DRAW LOGLIN(R2)

W1 = POINTS(NOEFM, 1E-12:1E-9:1E-14)
W2 = POINTS(NOEFM, 1E-9:1E-6:1E-11)
**A.4 PROGRAM CODE FOR FIGURE 5**

"SYMMTOPPLOTT1BYBETA.DO: A MLAB program that plots {1H|13C T1 values as a function of 
 correlation times for rigid symmetric top rotors with a tau-x three-times larger than Tz and beta values of 0, 30, 60 and 90 degrees" 
"Code is for a 18.80 T static field (800 MHz operating frequency)" 
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/* PLOT WINDOW STATEMENTS */
DELETE W
WINDOW -12 TO -6, -1 TO 2 IN W
XAXIS -12:-6:1 PT DTICK LABEL -12:-6:1 LABELSIZE .015 FFRACT OFFSET(-.02, -.03) IN W
YAXIS -12&'-1:2:1 PT LTICK LABEL -1:2:1 LABELSIZE .015 FFRACT OFFSET(-.04, -.007) IN W
TITLE "SYMMETRIC TOP ROTOR T'.3D'.7S1'1.435S'.3U FOR VARIOUS '15Tb' -ANGLES" AT (.08,.94)
FFRACT IN W
TITLE "'15Tt' R'.3D'.7sz'1.43s'.3U' / '15Tt'R'.3D'.7sx'1.43s'.3U' = 8 at 18.8 Tesla" AT (.26,.81)
FFRACT IN W
TITLE "Log '15Tt'R'.3D'.7sx'1.43s'.3U (s)" AT (.41, 0.04) FFRACT IN W
TITLE "Log T'.3D'.7S1'1.435S'.3U (s)" AT (.06,.38) FFRACT ANGLE 90 IN W

/* TAU-X AND TAU-Z */

FUNCTION Tz(Tx) = (1/3)*Tx
/* Tau-x is three times as long as tau-z */

/* SPECTRAL DENSITY FUNCTIONS */
FUNCTION CAR8(Tx) = (2*((6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*((COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+((.75*((SIND(2*B))^2))/(5+(Tx/Tz(Tx))))+((.75*((SIND(B))^4))/(2+(4*(Tx/Tz(Tx))))))))/((1+(1.59829*10^18)*(((6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*((COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+((.75*((SIND(2*B))^2))/(5+(Tx/Tz(Tx))))+((.75*((SIND(B))^4))/(2+(4*(Tx/Tz(Tx)))))))^2)))
FUNCTION DIF8(Tx) = (2*((6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*((COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+((.75*((SIND(2*B))^2))/(5+(Tx/Tz(Tx))))+((.75*((SIND(B))^4))/(2+(4*(Tx/Tz(Tx))))))))/((1+(1.41614*10^19)*(((6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*((COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+((.75*((SIND(2*B))^2))/(5+(Tx/Tz(Tx))))+((.75*((SIND(B))^4))/(2+(4*(Tx/Tz(Tx)))))))^2)))
FUNCTION SUM8(Tx) = (2*((6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*((COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+((.75*((SIND(2*B))^2))/(5+(Tx/Tz(Tx))))+((.75*((SIND(B))^4))/(2+(4*(Tx/Tz(Tx))))))))/((1+(3.95845*10^19)*(((6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*((COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+((.75*((SIND(2*B))^2))/(5+(Tx/Tz(Tx))))+((.75*((SIND(B))^4))/(2+(4*(Tx/Tz(Tx)))))))^2)))

/* EXPRESSIONS FOR T1 */
FUNCTION T1M(Tx) = (9.30908*10^-10)/(DIF8(Tx)+(3*CAR8(Tx))+(6*SUM8(Tx)))

/* OUTPUT STATEMENTS */
FOR N = 1:4 DO 
  B = ((N*30)-30)
  U1 = POINTS(T1M, 1E-12:1E-9:1E-14)
A.5  PROGRAM CODE FOR FIGURE 6

"SYMMTOPPLOTNOEBYLENGTH.DO: A MATLAB program which plots [1H]13C T1 values as a function of "
" correlation time for rigid symmetric top rotors with tau-z/tau-x "
" ratios of 0.1, 1, and 10 "

" Code is for a 18.80 T static field (800 MHz operating frequency "

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/*                                   PLOT WINDOW STATEMENTS                                    */
DELETE W
WINDOW -12 TO -6, -1 TO 2 IN W
XAXIS -12:-6:1 PT DTICK LABEL -12:-6:1 LABELSIZE .015 FFRACT OFFSET(-.02, -.03) IN W
YAXIS -12&'-1:2:1 PT LTICK LABEL -1:2:1 LABELSIZE .015 FFRACT OFFSET(-.04, -.007) IN W
TITLE "SYMMETRIC TOP ROTOR T'.3D'.7S1'1.435S'.3U AT THREE '15Tt'R'.3D'.7sz'1.43s'.3U' 
/ '15Tt'R'.3D'.7ax'1.43a'.3U' VALUES" AT (.073,.94) FFRACT IN W
TITLE "'15Tt'R'.3D'.7sz'1.43s'.3U' /'15Tt'R'.3D'.7ax'1.43a'.3U' = 10" AT (.13,.33) FFRACT IN W
TITLE "1" AT (.57,.315) FFRACT IN W
TITLE "0.1" AT (.64,.315) FFRACT IN W
TITLE "Log '15Tt'R'.3D'.7sx'1.43s'.3U (s)" AT (.41, 0.04) FFRACT IN W
TITLE "Log T'.3D'.7S1'1.435S'.3U (s)" AT (.06,.38) FFRACT ANGLE 90 IN W
/*                                         Beta Angle                                          */
B = 60                                     /* Beta angle = 60 degrees */

/* SPECTRAL DENSITY FUNCTIONS */

FUNCTION CAR8(Tx) = (2*((6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*(((COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+ 
((.75*(((SIND(2*B))^2))/5*(Tx/Tz(Tx))))+((.75*(((SIND(B))^4))/(2+(4*(Tx/Tz(Tx))))))))))/ 
(1+((1.59829*10^18)*(((6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*(((COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+ 
((.75*(((SIND(B))^4))/(2+(4*(Tx/Tz(Tx))))))))^2)))
FUNCTION DIF8(Tx) = (2*((6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*(((COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+ 
((.75*(((SIND(2*B))^2))/5*(Tx/Tz(Tx))))+((.75*(((SIND(B))^4))/(2+(4*(Tx/Tz(Tx))))))))))/ 
(1+((1.41614*10^19)*(((6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*(((COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+ 
((.75*(((SIND(B))^4))/(2+(4*(Tx/Tz(Tx))))))))^2)))
FUNCTION SUM8(Tx) = (2*((6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*(((COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+ 
((.75*(((SIND(2*B))^2))/5*(Tx/Tz(Tx))))+((.75*(((SIND(B))^4))/(2+(4*(Tx/Tz(Tx))))))))))/ 
(1+((3.95845*10^19)*(((6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*(((COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+ 
((.75*(((SIND(B))^4))/(2+(4*(Tx/Tz(Tx))))))))^2)))
/*                                      EXPRESSIONS FOR T1                                     */
FUNCTION T1M(Tx) = (9.30908*10^-10)/(DIF8(Tx)+(3*CAR8(Tx))+(6*SUM8(Tx)))
/*                                      OUTPUT STATEMENTS                                      */
FUNCTION Tz(Tx) = Tx
U1 = POINTS(T1M, 1E-12:1E-9:1E-14)
U2 = POINTS(T1M, 1E-9:1E-6:1E-11)
DRAW LOGLOG(U1) LT 1
DRAW LOGLOG(U2) LT 1

FUNCTION Tz(Tx) = 0.1*Tx
U1 = POINTS(T1M, 1E-12:1E-9:1E-14)
U2 = POINTS(T1M, 1E-9:1E-6:1E-11)
DRAW LOGLOG(U1) LT 2
DRAW LOGLOG(U2) LT 2

FUNCTION Tz(Tx) = 10*Tx
U1 = POINTS(T1M, 1E-12:1E-9:1E-14)
U2 = POINTS(T1M, 1E-9:1E-6:1E-11)
DRAW LOGLOG(U1) LT 3
DRAW LOGLOG(U2) LT 3

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PROGRAM CODE FOR FIGURE 7

"SYMMTOPPLOTNOEBYLENGTH.DO: A MLAB program which plots {1H}13C NOEF values as a function of "
"correlation time for rigid symmetric top rotors with tau-z/tau-x "
"ratios of 0.1, 1 and 10 "
"Code is for a 18.80 T static field (800 MHz operating frequency "
"WRITTEN 05 DECEMBER 2013 BY TERRY J. HENDERSON"

/*                                   PLOT WINDOW STATEMENTS                                    */
DELETE W
WINDOW -12 TO -8, 0 TO 2 IN W
XAXIS -12:-8:1&'0 PT DTICK LABEL -12:-8:1 LABELSIZE .015 FFRACT OFFSET(-.02, -.03) IN W
YAXIS -12&'0:2:.5 PT LTICK LABEL 0:2:.5 LABELSIZE .015 FFRACT OFFSET(-.06, -.007) IN W
TITLE "SYMMETRIC TOP ROTOR NOEF AT THREE '15Tt'R'.3D'.7sz'1.43s'.3U' "/'15Tt'R'.3D'.7sx'1.43s' HEALTH " VALUES AT (.045,.94) FFRACT IN W
TITLE "'15Tt'R'.3D'.7sz'1.43s'.3U' /'15Tt'R'.3D'.7sx'1.43s' = 10" AT (.3,.5) FFRACT IN W
TITLE "1" AT (.6,.5) FFRACT IN W
TITLE "0.1" AT (.7,.5) FFRACT IN W
TITLE "Log '15Tt'R'.3D'.7sx'1.43s'.3U (s)" AT (.41, 0.04) FFRACT IN W
TITLE "NOEF" AT (.05,.449) FFRACT ANGLE 90 IN W

/*                                          Beta Angle                                         */
B = 60                    /* Beta angle = 60 degrees */

/* SPECTRAL DENSITY FUNCTIONS */

FUNCTION CAR8(Tx) = (2*(6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*(COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+
((1+(1.59829*10^18)*(((6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*(COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+ 
(1+(1.59829*10^18)*(((6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*(COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+ 

FUNCTION DIF8(Tx) = (2*(6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*(COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+
((1+(1.41614*10^19)*(((6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*(COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+ 

FUNCTION SUM8(Tx) = (2*(6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*(COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+
((1+(3.95845*10^19)*(((6*Tx)*(((.25*(((3*(COSD(B))^2))-1)^2))/6)+ 

/*                                    EXPRESSIONS FOR NOEF                                     */

APPENDIX 25
FUNCTION NOEFM(Tx) = 3.97607*(((6*SUM8(Tx))-DIF8(Tx))/(DIF8(Tx)+(3*CAR8(Tx))+(6*SUM8(Tx))))

/*                                      OUTPUT STATEMENTS                                      */
FUNCTION Tz(Tx) = Tx
W1 = POINTS(NOEFM, 1E-12:1E-9:1E-14)
W2 = POINTS(NOEFM, 1E-9:1E-6:1E-11)
DRAW LOGLIN(W1) LT 1
DRAW LOGLIN(W2) LT 1

FUNCTION Tz(Tx) = 0.1*Tx
W1 = POINTS(NOEFM, 1E-12:1E-9:1E-14)
W2 = POINTS(NOEFM, 1E-9:1E-6:1E-11)
DRAW LOGLIN(W1) LT 1
DRAW LOGLIN(W2) LT 1

FUNCTION Tz(Tx) = 10*Tx
W1 = POINTS(NOEFM, 1E-12:1E-9:1E-14)
W2 = POINTS(NOEFM, 1E-9:1E-6:1E-11)
DRAW LOGLIN(W1) LT 1
DRAW LOGLIN(W2) LT 1

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A.7 PROGRAM CODE FOR FIGURE 8

"TAUEFFNET.DO:  A MLAB program that plots the flexible symmetric top rotor effective correlation"
" time as a function of beta-angle and polar angle of motion, theta"
""
" no azimuthal motion"
""
" Dz is 3.5-times larger than Dx"
""
" WRITTEN AND TESTED 7-8 MAY 2015 BY TERRY J. HENDERSON"

DELETE w3

/* Polar and Azimuthal Angles of Motion, Beta Angle, and Correlation Times */
B = 0  /* Beta angle starts at zero degrees */
Th = 0  /* Polar angle of motion starts at 0 degrees */
Ep = 0  /* Azimuthal angle of motion is 0 degrees */
Tz = 1

FUNCTION Tx(Tz) = 3.5*Tz  /* Gives Dz/Dx = 3.5 */

FUNCTION Teff(Th, B) = ((((1/4)+(9/(8*(exp(4*(Th^2)))))+(3*(cosd(2*B))/(2*(exp(2*(Th^2))))))+(9*(cosd(4*B))/(8*(exp(4*(Th^2)))))^4*(Tx(Tz)^-1))+9*(1+(1/(2*(exp(4\*\*2*(Th^2)))))-(2*(cosd(2*B))/((exp(2*(Th^2))))+((cosd(4*B))*{exp(-4*(Th^2))})^2))/((16*(Tx(Tz)^-1)+(2*(Tz^-1)))+((9*{(exp(-4*(Th^2)))-(\ exp(4*(Th^2))-(Ep^2))}*{cosd(4*B)}))/4*(5*(Tx(Tz)^-1)+(Tz^-1)))))

/* Output Statements */
M = CROSS(0:0.7854:0.03272, 0:180:7.5)  /*Theta in radians, beta in degrees*/
M COL 3 = Teff on M
DRAW M LT NET
CMD3D ("BOX")
CMD3D ("TURN -55")
CMD3D ("TWIST -13")
CMD3D ("RAISE -.55")
CMD3D ("TRACK")
CMD3D ("DOLLY 0.4")
CMD3D ("BOTNETCOLOR 0")

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