



## Supplement of

# **SORDOR pulses: expansion of the Böhlen–Bodenhausen scheme for low-power broadband magnetic resonance**

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# **Classification of Shaped Pulses**



**Figure S1**: Classification of 180° shaped pulses following Levitt (1986). Effective rotations are illustrated as normalized vectors for various offsets.



**Figure S2**: Classification of 90° shaped pulses following M. H. Levitt (1986). Effective rotations are illustrated as normalized vectors for various offsets.

Shaped pulses are composed of numerous much shorter pulses that can be modulated in phase and amplitude. The effective propagator  $U_{eff}$  of a shaped pulse, consisting of n steps, can hence be described by a piece-wise time-independent propagation:

$$U_{eff} = U_n \dots U_1.$$

Such a propagator  $U_{eff}$  represents an "effective rotation" that can be used for pulse shape classification as illustrated in Figure S1 and S2 for different 180° and 90° pulses, respectively.

The most versatile class **A** of 180° pulses is shown in Fig S1 (a) where a rotation about the x-axis is achieved for all considered offsets. Shaped 180° pulses of class **A** are typically referred to as "refocusing pulse" or "universal rotations" (UR) with  $U_{eff} = U_{180x}$ . Shaped 180° pulses of class **B**, on the other hand, induce phase shifts for transverse components but can be used as an inversion of the z-component – the effective rotations are shown in Fig S1 (b). These shaped 180° pulses are generally referred to as "point-to-point" or "inversion pulses" and  $U_{eff} = U_{\varphi}U_{180x}U_{\varphi}^{\dagger}$  where  $U_{\varphi}$  corresponds to an arbitrary z-rotation.

For shaped 90° pulses a more distinctive classification is required as shown in Fig S2. Shaped 90° pulses of class A induce a 90° rotation about a single axis for all considered offsets and are, hence, also referred to as "universal rotations" where  $U_{eff} = U_{90x}$  in Fig S2 (a). Effective rotations for shaped 90° pulses of class B1 are illustrated in Fig S2 (b) where offset-dependent rotation axes are distributed in the transverse plane with  $U_{eff} = U_{\omega}U_{90x}U_{\omega}^{\dagger}$ . With respect to SORDOR-90 pulses, it is crucial to note that this class of 90° pulses can be considered universal rotations where an offset dependent phase is acquired. Pulse shapes of class B2, on the other hand, can only be used to transfer a single component of magnetization. Therefore, **B2**-pulses are typically used to excite z-magnetization to the transverse plane with defined phase (e.g. to  $\hat{I}_y$ ) as shown in Fig S2 (c) with  $U_{eff}\hat{I}_z U_{eff}^{\dagger} = \hat{I}_y$ . It is noteworthy, that for these so-called "point-to-point" or "excitation pulses" the effective rotations are in a tilted plane. This is based on the fact that a transfer from  $\hat{I}_z$  to  $\hat{I}_v$  can be obtained e.g. by a 90° rotation about x but also by a 270° degree rotation about -x and further by a 180° rotation about the axes in the intersection of the tilted and the yz-plane. An excitation of z-magnetization to a state with undefined phase can be obtained from shaped pulses of class **B3** where  $U_{eff}\hat{I}_z U_{eff}^{\dagger} = U_{\varphi}\hat{I}_y U_{\varphi}^{\dagger}$  and  $U_{\varphi}$  corresponds to an arbitrary z-rotation. In Fig S2 (d) certain effective rotation axes are shown but in principle all axes in between the two cones are thinkable.

For a "matched" pulse pair of a SORDOR-180 (B) and a SORDOR-90 (B1) the effective rotations are distributed identically in the transverse plane or in other words  $U_{\varphi}$  is the same for the SORDOR-180 and the SORDOR-90. For this reason the pulse pair can be used as universal rotations with quadratic phase distribution.

## **Exponential Fits: Figure 5**

Signals of Figure 5 were extracted and fitted to an exponential decay using python. Due to strong coupling, CF<sub>2</sub> groups exhibit phase distortions and exponential fits show large residuals (red box).



## Exponential Fits: Comparison to On-Resonant Hard Pulse

Exponential decays of the PROJECT experiment using SORDOR pulse pairs are compared to onresonant hard pulses for the Bruker "doped water" standard sample ( $0.1mg/ml \ GdCl_3$ , 1% H<sub>2</sub>O and  $0.1\% \ ^{13}$ C-labeled CH<sub>3</sub>OH in D<sub>2</sub>O). Since the water signal is not subject to coupling evolution the decay rate does not depend on the mixing for *J* refocusing induced by PROJECT and it is possible to estimate that SORDOR pulse imperfections have only a minor influence on the relaxation measurement. SORDOR pulses are also used on-resonant, but a much larger bandwidth is expected (as shown in Figure 5 of main text).



**Figure S3**: Exponential fits of PROJECT using on-resonant hard pulses (left), SORDOR pulse pairs with  $\pm 5\%$  (middle) and  $\pm 10\%$  (right) compensation of B<sub>1</sub>-inhomogeneity (right) are illustrated for the Bruker "doped water" standard sample.

## SORDOR pulse shapes

Pulse shapes are found in the available archive: "SORDOR\_pulse\_shapes.zip"

SORDOR-90 (720 μs, 50kHz bandwidth, 10kHz RF-ampl., ±5% compensation of B1-inhomog.) File name: SORDOR\_90\_720us\_RF10\_BW50\_pm5

SORDOR-180 (720 μs, 50kHz bandwidth, 10kHz RF-ampl., ±5% compensation of B1-inhomog.) File name: SORDOR\_180\_720us\_RF10\_BW50\_pm5

SORDOR-90 (720 μs, 50kHz bandwidth, 10kHz RF-ampl., ±10% compensation of B1-inhomog.) File name: SORDOR\_90\_720us\_RF10\_BW50\_pm10

SORDOR-180 (720 μs, 50kHz bandwidth, 10kHz RF-ampl., ±10% compensation of B1-inhomog.) File name: SORDOR\_180\_720us\_RF10\_BW50\_pm10

## Pulse program for SORDOR 1D

```
;1D using shaped pulse
#include <Avance.incl>
1 ze
  30m pl=0[Watt]:f1
2 50m
    d1
  (p11:sp11 ph1):f1
  go=2 ph31
  50m mc #0 to 2 F0(zd)
exit
ph1=0 2 2 0 1 3 3 1
ph31=0 2 2 0 1 3 3 1
;pl1 : f1 channel - power level for pulse (default)
;p1 : f1 channel - high power pulse
;d1 : relaxation delay; 1-5 * T1
;ns: 1 * n, total number of scans: NS * TD0
```

## Pulse program for SORDOR Echo

```
;1D gradient echo using shaped pulses
#include <Avance.incl>
#include <Grad.incl>
#include <Delay.incl>
"spoffs12=spoffs11"
1 ze
 30m pl=0[Watt]:f1
2 50m
  d1
  50u UNBLKGRAD
  (p11:sp11 ph1):f1 ;SORDOR-90
  20u
  p16:gp3
  d16
  (p12:sp12 ph1):f1 ;SORDOR-180
  p16:gp3
  d16
  20u BLKGRAMP
  go=2 ph31
  50m mc #0 to 2 F0(zd)
  20u LOCKH OFF
exit
ph1=0 2 2 0 1 3 3 1
ph31=0 2 2 0 1 3 3 1
;pl1 : f1 channel - power level for pulse (default)
;p1 : f1 channel - high power pulse
;d1 : relaxation delay; 1-5 * T1
;ns: 1 * n, total number of scans: NS * TD0
```

## Pulse program for <sup>19</sup>F-PROJECT using SORDOR

```
;19F-PROJECT using SORDOR pulses
#include <Avance.incl>
"d11=30m"
1 ze
2 d1 pl=0[Watt]:f1 rpp3 rpp4
  (p11:sp11 ph1):f1 ;SORDOR-90
3 d20
  (p12:sp12 ph2+ph3):f1 ;SORDOR-180
  d20
  (p11:sp11 ph2+ph3):f1 ;SORDOR-90
  d20
  (p12:sp12 ph2+ph3):f1 ;SORDOR-180
  d20 ipp3 ipp4
  lo to 3 times c
4 d20 dpp4
  (p12:sp12 ph2+ph4):f1 ;SORDOR-180
  d20
  (p11:sp11 ph2+ph4):f1 ;SORDOR-90
  d20
  (p12:sp12 ph2+ph4):f1 ;SORDOR-180
  d20
  lo to 4 times c
  ;(p13:sp13 ph1):f1 ;scaled SORDOR-180 for phase compensation (optional)
  go=2 ph31
  d11 wr #0 if #0 ivc
  lo to 1 times td1
exit
ph1=0 0 2 2 1 1 3 3
ph2=1 3 1 3 0 2 0 2
ph3=0 0 2 2
ph4=0 0 2 2
ph31=0 0 2 2 1 1 3 3
;pl1 : f1 channel - power level for pulse (default)
;p1 : f1 channel - 90 degree high power pulse
;p2 : f1 channel - 180 degree high power pulse
;d1 : relaxation delay; 1-5 * T1
;d11: delay for disk I/O
                                                        [30 msec]
;d20: fixed echo time to allow elimination of diffusion
      and J-mod. effects
;vc : variable loop counter, taken from vc-list
;tdl: number of experiments = number of values in vc-list
;define VCLIST
;this pulse program produces a ser-file (PARMOD = 2D)
;d20: PROJECT delay
;vc : vc should contain even numbers to provide
     for cancellation of 180 degree pulse errors
;
```

#### Python scripts for second order phase correction

In order to execute python scripts in Topspin, please run the "edpy" command in Topspin and create new python scripts called pk2.py (1D version) and pk22D.py (pseudo-2D version). Copy and paste the subsequent code to the created scripts and execute from the Topspin command line.

For a 1D, please run "pk2  $\epsilon$ " (e.g. "pk2 3.65"), where  $\epsilon$  is the value for second order phase correction and the phase  $\varphi$  is calculated from

$$\varphi(\nu,\epsilon) = 2\pi \cdot \left(\frac{2\nu}{sw}\right)^2 \cdot \epsilon,$$

where sw is the spectral width and v is the frequency offset. Setting the spectral width to the bandwidth covered by SORDOR pulses can facilitate the procedure.

For a pseudo-2D (e.g. <sup>19</sup>F-PROJECT), the second order phase correction is applied successively and the pseudo-2D is stored as multiple 1Ds. The script is executed with "pk22D  $\epsilon$  procno", where procno is the processing number of the *first* 1D spectrum and following 1Ds are stored in ascending numbers.

#### Second order phase correction for 1D

```
# call script like: pk2 "value for pk"
# example: pk2 3.65
import sys
import math
slope = float(sys.argv[1])
spect_real = GETPROCDATA(-500, 500)
spect_imag = GETPROCDATA(-500, 500, dataconst.PROCDATA_IMAG)
for i in range(len(spect_real)):
    phase=(i-len(spect_real)/2)**2 *8*math.pi*slope/len(spect_real)**2
    dummyx=spect_real[i]*math.cos(phase) - spect_imag[i]*math.sin(phase)
    dummyy=spect_real[i]*math.sin(phase) + spect_imag[i]*math.cos(phase)
    spect_real[i]=dummyx
    spect_imag[i]=dummyy
SAVE_ARRAY_AS_1R11(spect_real,spect_imag)
```

#### Second order phase correction for <sup>19</sup>F-PROJECT

```
# second order phase correction on 2D
# it will create multiple 1Ds starting at a certain "procno"
# call script like: pk22D "value for pk" "procno"
# example: pk22D 3.65 900
import sys, math
td = int(GETPAR2("s1 TD"))
curdat = CURDATA()
slope = float(sys.argv[1])
for i in range(td):
       RSR(str(i+1), str(int(sys.argv[2])+i))
        #
        # pk2.py
       spect_real = GETPROCDATA(-500, 500)
spect_imag = GETPROCDATA(-500, 500, dataconst.PROCDATA_IMAG)
        for i in range(len(spect real)):
               phase=(i-len(spect real)/2)**2 *8*math.pi*slope/len(spect real)**2
               dummyx=spect_real[i]*math.cos(phase) - spect_imag[i]*math.sin(phase)
dummyy=spect_real[i]*math.sin(phase) + spect_imag[i]*math.cos(phase)
               spect_real[i]=dummyx
               spect_imag[i]=dummyy
        SAVE_ARRAY_AS_1R11(spect_real,spect_imag)
```

RE(curdat)

#