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The "Hidden" Exchange Partner in NMR Spectroscopy. Kinetic Properties and Implications in NOE Analysis

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The presence of hidden exchange partners is a possible but not generally recognized source of negative effects in the ^1H NOE difference spectra of molecules that fall in the extreme narrowing region. The true origin of these negative signals is not easily identified and this can lead to erroneous molecular structural conclusions. By introducing into the modified Bloch equations an extra term for transition probabilities induced by continuous selective RF irradiation, it is shown that in a two-site problem the "saturation" of the minor signal can be much lower than that of the major signal; this is due to the lower probability of the minor signal to be saturated by the selective RF irradiation. The effect of the hidden exchange partner is limited by the cross-relaxation rates and the characteristic dynamical parameters (exchange rates, population ratios, relaxation times, and chemical-shift differences). Diagrams are provided for the analysis of the experimental data. The results of the simulations determine the conditions under which the hidden exchange partner can be detected. © 1995 John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

INTRODUCTION

In systems that exchange moderately on the frequency time scale, and the interconverting species have unequal populations (i.e., unequal lifetimes), the exchange contribution to line broadening is different for the exchanging entities. For very unequal populations, strong signals with long residence times can show marginal exchange broadening, while weak signals with short residence times may be broadened beyond detection. This latter phenomenon, known as the "hidden" exchange partner, is not uncommon, and has been the subject of various studies (1-3). To illustrate the problem, we take an uncoupled two-site exchange system in which the minor (m) and major (M) species interconvert with the respective forward and backward first-order rate constants k_m and k_M .



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The fractional populations are p_m and p_M with 1, and there is a frequency difference $\Delta\nu = |\nu_m - \nu_M|$ between the nonexchanging sites. The equilibrium relations are $M_{\text{tot}} = M_m + M_M$ such that $M_m/M_M = A$.

Figure 1 shows the behavior of this system from slow exchange ($k_m, k_M \ll \Delta\nu$) through moderate exchange ($k_m, k_M \approx \Delta\nu$) toward coalescence for populations $p_m \ll p_M$ as well as for $p_m = p_M$ from McConnell's solution of the modified Bloch equations (4-6). The hidden exchange partner can pose regarding ^1H NOE experiments and especially the range of detectable cross-relaxation rates. The hidden exchange partner is particularly in relation to ^1H spectroscopy. The system to selective RF saturation is also a

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

General Remarks Regarding "Exchange With"

We assume that a hidden exchange partner is because of two features: (i) The minor component is invisible in the ^1H spectrum because of its small signal height H_m relative to the H_M (in practice the half-height linewidth $\Delta\nu$, greater than ≈ 30 Hz, and H_M/H_m must be at least 10); (ii) Exchange broadening of the major resonance is nonconspicuous or may be attributed to other as field inhomogeneity or small unresolved signals. The main signal therefore does not reveal the hidden partner *per se*.

For slow exchange ($k_m, k_M \ll \Delta\nu$), the contribution to line broadening is independent of

minor signal. In effect, the major signal acts as a reservoir that drains the minor site of its saturated magnetization while feeding back less saturated magnetization, thereby making saturation of the minor signal M_m^* inefficient. Thus, in a difference experiment, irradiation of the minor signal will give a hardly detectable effect on the minor resonance itself, but the saturation transferred to the main site where spins "accumulate" gives a signal of greater intensity. It is therefore actually easier to saturate the minor signal by irradiating its major partner than by irradiating the minor signal itself. Any impurity (not involved in chemical exchange) which is nearly coincident with the minor signal will be more effectively saturated by irradiation than the minor signal (Fig. 3C). Originally hidden or hardly detected small impurities may thus be made visible in the difference spectrum, as exemplified in Fig. 3.

The above behavior of very biased exchange systems can also be rationalized as follows. When transitions are induced by a continuous irradiation, the time dependence of the net magnetization M is given by

$$\frac{dM}{dt} = R_1(M_{\text{tot}} - M) - k_M M_M + k_m M_m \quad [5]$$

The effect of selectively irradiating the minor partner can be introduced by incorporating Eq. [3] into Eq. [4] which then gives the coupled differential equations

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dM_m^*}{dt} &= R_1(M_{\text{tot}} - M_m^*) - k_m M_m^* \\ &\quad + k_M M_M - 2WM_m^* \end{aligned} \quad [6]$$

$$\frac{dM_M}{dt} = R_1(M_{\text{tot}} - M_M) - k_M M_M + k_m M_m^* \quad [7]$$

Some algebraic manipulation of Eqs. [6] and [7] leads to the steady-state normalized minor signal M_m^*/M_{tot} :

$$\frac{M_m^*}{M_{\text{tot}}} = \frac{R_1 + k_m + k_M}{R_1 + 2W + k_m + k_M[1 + (2W/R_1)]} \quad [8]$$

In analogy to this, on irradiating the major partner introduction of the term $-2WM_M$ into Eq. [5] gives for the major signal M_M^*/M_{tot}

$$\frac{M_M^*}{M_{\text{tot}}} = \frac{R_1 + k_m + k_M}{R_1 + 2W + k_m + k_M[1 + (2W/R_1)]} \quad [9]$$

The magnetizations M_m^*/M_{tot} (Eq. [8]) and M_M^*/M_{tot} (Eq. [9]) as a function of W for different values of k_m and k_M and calculated for $R_1 = 1 \text{ s}^{-1}$ are shown in Fig. 5. It is readily seen that the more biased the exchange system, the greater the difference in the saturabilities between the minor and major signals. At a population ratio of 1:15 ($k_m = 150 \text{ s}^{-1}$ and $k_M = 10 \text{ s}^{-1}$), the major signal saturates practically as if it were not involved in the exchange process. However, the minor signal is highly unresponsive to saturation, especially at the beginning of the W scale which corresponds to the low continuous-irradiation power levels normally employed to ensure adequate selectivity.

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These results accord with the above discussed and experimentally observed behavior of the system, and therefore our premise regarding the treatment of the problem in terms of the slow exchange approximation seems well founded.

Dynamical Properties of the System

A molecule undergoing a highly biased two-site exchange exhibits a set of $^1\text{H}_m \rightleftharpoons ^1\text{H}_M$ proton pairs, each of which may potentially be in slow or fast exchange, or close to coalescence, depending on the specific $\Delta\nu = |\nu_m - \nu_M|$ values at the given exchange rates. Those main resonances that are close to coalescence (i.e., to maximal broadening) will be potentially the most indicative of the otherwise concealed exchange process. We therefore examine systems which show no obvious sign of the ongoing exchange process even if some of the $^1\text{H}_m \rightleftharpoons ^1\text{H}_M$ pairs among the total set are near coalescence (both molecules 1 and 2 satisfy this condition). That is, in addition to our two preconditions regarding ex-

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The problem of signals generated in and received from regions outside the active coil area is discussed in the context of using standard measurement techniques. Some of the conceptual and practical consequences of the existence of such transition-band signals are highlighted. Examples include radiation damping, pulse-width calibration, lineshape and radiofrequency homogeneity tests, improper saturation, and exchange- and relaxation-rate determinations. One interesting implication is that apparent sample-to-sample variations in the calibrated 90° pulse width values are a function not only of probe tuning and bulk susceptibility effects, but also of the linewidths involved. A semi-quantitative treatment of the phenomenon is given.

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applications. Within the framework of this optimistic stance, two articles note that transition-band signals may be undesired and discuss their possible elimination by restricting the sample volume using a microcoil (2) or its suppression via a complex scheme of gradient slice-selection techniques applied to a selectively excited resonance (1). Although both methods are useful in their own right, the first one involves some inconvenient sample preparation, sensitivity, and B_0 field inhomogeneity problems, while the second one, in addition to possibly being difficult to implement, also involves the use of nonstandard NMR tools.

So far a study of the main characteristics of transition-band signals has been given. In this article, the implications of such signals on the use of standard NMR techniques are highlighted. Examples involve radiation damping, pulse-width calibration, lineshape and rf homogeneity tests, residual signals upon saturation, and exchange- and relaxation-rate determinations. A semi-quantitative treatment of the phenomenon will also be given.

The material used as the primary experimental subject for exploring the main features of ^1H transition-band signals was simply a concentrated solution of chloroform dissolved in $\text{DMSO}-d_6$. For further demonstration some more complex systems were also studied.

All NMR measurements reported here were carried out with a latest-generation Varian 5-mm $^1\text{H}/^{13}\text{N}$ -31P} PFG Indirect · nmr probe (300 MHz) on a Varian INOVA 300 instrument (3a). The presence of transition-band responses was also checked and verified on the following probes and instruments: (a) Varian 5-mm $^1\text{H}/^{13}\text{F}/^{13}\text{N}$ -31P} (old) switchable probe (300 MHz), Varian INOVA 300 spectrometer (3a); (b) Varian 5-mm $^1\text{H}/^{13}\text{N}$ -31P} PFG Indirect · nmr probe (400 MHz), Varian INOVA 400 spectrometer (3b); (c) Varian ^1H 4-mm (40 μl) Nano · nmr probe (400 MHz), Varian INOVA 400 spectrometer (3b); (d) Varian 5-mm $^1\text{H}/^{13}\text{N}$ -31P} PFG Indirect · nmr probe (500 MHz), Varian INOVA 500 spectrometer (3a); (e) Varian 5-mm $^1\text{H}/^{13}\text{C}/^{15}\text{N}$ PFG Triple · nmr probe (500

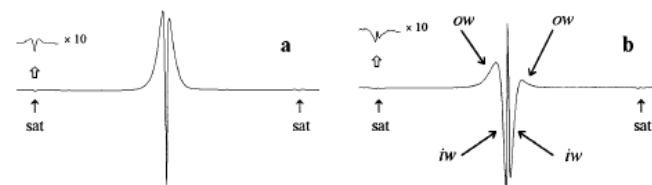


FIG. 2. CHCl_3 ^1H resonance (nonspinning) obtained with the transmitter set on-resonance and an active-volume flip angle θ^* that is (a) slightly greater than 180° and (b) slightly greater than 360° . (a) The narrow main peak due to M^* already turns negative, while the broader wings originating from $\Delta z^b + \Delta z^c$ are still positive ($\theta^* < 180^\circ$). (b) The main peak has turned positive, and the wings break into two distinct parts: a narrower inner wing (iw) associated with Δz^b ($180^\circ < \theta^* < 360^\circ$), and a broader positive outer wing (ow) associated with Δz^c . The ^{13}C satellite signals are accompanied by similar transition-band responses as the main resonance.

resonance comes from the transverse components M_{xy}^* and M_{xy}^c , in accord with $\theta^* < 180^\circ$. In Fig. 2b, where $\theta^* = 360^\circ + \delta$, the inner wings correspond to $180^\circ < \theta^* < 360^\circ$ and the outer wings to $\theta^* < 180^\circ$ (as shown below, θ^* can actually never reach 90°), which is indicative of a $\gamma B_1^* > \gamma B_1^c$. As the main peak passes through $\theta^* = 180^\circ$ (nadir-pass #1), the wings due to $\Delta z^b + \Delta z^c$ remain positive. As the active-volume flip angle approaches 360° (nadir-pass #1), the inner wings due to Δz^b turn negative, while the outer wings due to Δz^c remain positive. In order to analyze the time evolution of M due to the tracked by monitoring further revolutions of the net magnetizations (passes #2, #3 and #4). On subsequent nadir-passes the lineshape becomes less well defined as compared to pass #1, partly because off-resonance effects cumulate with the number of revolutions in the nadir area. This appears to be less of a problem for zenith passes, where off-resonance errors tend to be self-compensating.

Although the outer wings stay positive in round #1 (and its remnants are still visible in round #2), they fade away in further rounds and become difficult to detect beside the main signal and the inner wings. More direct experimental evidence regarding their behavior comes from using a long continuous presaturating field B_z targeted at the main signal of the CHCl_3 resonance (Figs. 1b, 1c, and 1d). While the main signal and the inner wings are easily subdued, the outer wings are quite insensitive to saturation. Application of a relatively mild saturation power (Fig. 1b) leaves some residual active-volume signal whose oscillatory pulse width dependence is unaffected; in addition, the outer wings show aperiodic progress toward steady state. When an appropriately strong γB_1^* field is applied which completely suppresses the main signal as well as the inner wings, but causes only mild saturation within Δz^c (Figs. 1c and 1d), the residual outer wings give an even more conspicuous non-oscillatory pulse-width dependence.

To rationalize the above behavior, we must consider the following. Under the influence of on-resonance rf irradiation, the net moment vector M decays in a characteristic damping time T_{2p}^* (or rate constant R_{2p}^*) defined (10, 11) as

$$\frac{1}{T_{2p}^*} = \frac{1}{T_2} + \frac{1}{T_2^*} + \gamma \Delta B_1. \quad [1]$$

The implicit and simplistic assumption that the decay caused by rf inhomogeneity is exponential (10). Two main scenarios should be distinguished: (a) for $\gamma B_1 > R_{2p}^*$, the motion of M is underdamped, i.e., a periodic nutation combined with slow damping due to relaxation and rf inhomogeneity; (b) in the limit of $\gamma B_1 < R_{2p}^*$, M shows an overdamped, nonoscillatory time evolution. [For active-volume spins experiencing good rf homogeneity and having natural relaxation times on the order of seconds, whether the spin response is underdamped or overdamped typically depends on whether the B_1 irradiation falls in the "high-power" or the frequency-selective "low-power" (12) category.] When only the relaxation term in Eq. [1] is taken into account, both cases can be accurately described by the complex analytical solutions of the generalized Bloch equations (13, 14). In typical cases where T_1 and T_2^* are on the order of seconds, for a hard pulse with γB_1^* on the order of 10^3 rad s^{-1} , the mild damping of M^* observed on the microsecond timescale (Fig. 1a) is due to a slight rf inhomogeneity rather than relaxation. ΔB_1^b and ΔB_1^c are much larger than ΔB_1^a , and since the $\gamma B_1(z)$ function is not known in detail, the inhomogeneity term ΔB_1 precludes the accurate calculation of the magnetization trajectory, particularly in the limit of overdamping.

In line with Figs. 1–3, the above classification readily offers a model according to which spins in the Δz^a and Δz^b regions

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positive absorption-mode resonance, while if $M_{12}^{+0} = -M_{21}^{-0}$, $M_{11}^{+0} = 0$, we obtain a pure negative absorption-mode signal. In this system, the time dependence of \mathbf{M} is governed by the Bloch equations (9), which in this case take the following simple vectorial form:

$$\frac{dM}{dt} = \gamma[M \otimes B_1] - \lambda_2 M_f + \lambda_1 (M^0 - M_2) \quad (1)$$

The term $\gamma \mathbf{M} \otimes \mathbf{B}$, represents the torque $\mathbf{K} = d\mathbf{M}/dt = \gamma \mathbf{M} \otimes \mathbf{B}$, which causes the net moment vector \mathbf{M} to circulate (nutate) in the $\gamma \mathbf{B}$ plane with an angular frequency γB . [To compare this with the classical discussion of nutation and precession, note that the vector \mathbf{M} whose circulation is described by the term $\gamma \mathbf{M} \otimes \mathbf{B}$ is the net magnetization.] The terms $\lambda_1 \mathbf{M}_1$ and $\lambda_2 (\mathbf{M}^2 - \mathbf{M}_1)$ in the other hand describe the fact that the magnetization is not homogeneous, and that the λ_1 and λ_2 simply correspond to the transverse and longitudinal relaxation times T_2 and T_1 , respectively. (The notation T_2 for the rotating wave term is due to Torrey (12), although it is not strictly correct since it is only valid for a resonance with a damping time constant T_2 (or rate constant R_2) defined as

$$R_0 = \frac{1}{T_0} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{T_1} + \frac{1}{T_2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2) \quad [2]$$

The time Γ_0 needed to (nearly) reach the steady-state condition M^0 in a B_L field requires in practice a period $> 5T_{\text{ex}}$.

By calculating the vector product in Eq. [1], we obtain the familiar equations

$$\frac{dM_i}{dt} = -\lambda_2 M_i \quad [3a]$$

$$\frac{dM_y}{dt} = +\gamma B_1 M_z - \lambda_2 M_y \quad [3b]$$

$$\frac{dM_i}{dt} = -\gamma B_1 M_i + \lambda_1 (M^0 - M_i) \quad [3c]$$

The steady-state solutions corresponding to the condition $dM/dt = 0$ are easily obtained from

Eqs. [3] to give:

$$M_z^m = 0 \quad [4a]$$

$$M_f^w = \frac{\gamma B_1 \lambda_1 M_0}{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 + (\gamma B_1)^2} \quad [4b]$$

$$M_z^{ss} = \frac{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 M_0}{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 + (\gamma B_1)^2} \quad [4c]$$

A special but instructive case of this steady-state condition is represented in Fig. 1. $R_1 = \lambda_1(M^0 - M_1)$ and $R_2 = -\lambda_2 M_2$ denote the relaxation vectors (10) which drive M_1 toward M^0 and M_2 toward 0, and are depicted here with the proportionality constants chosen to be unity so that $R_1 = M^0 - M_1$ and $R_2 = -M_2$, and $\gamma B_1 = 1$. The equilibrium point is, of course, characterized by $K_1 + K_2 = 0$, i.e., $R_1 = -R_2$, or $\gamma M_1 B_1 = \gamma M_2 B_2$ (cf. Eq. [3b]) because the forces $\gamma M_i B_i$ acting on M_i in a way the system "balances" the R_2 and K_2 vectors by varying K_1 through the proper "adjustment." Conversely, $K_1 = \gamma M_1 B_1$ (cf. Eq. [3a]) is consistent with the fact that K_1 is generated by the change in M_1 . Thus, a change in K_1 is tied to a change in M_1 to eventually give $R_1 = -K_1$.

From hereon it will prove useful to refer to the four quadrants (Q) of the $2\gamma'$ plane as QI–QIV (cf. Fig. 2). It can be shown (10) that when γB_1 is increased from a small value to a high-power irradiation, the steady-state point given by M^* moves clockwise, with an increasing steady-state angle Θ^* , along a Thales semicircle in QI (Fig.

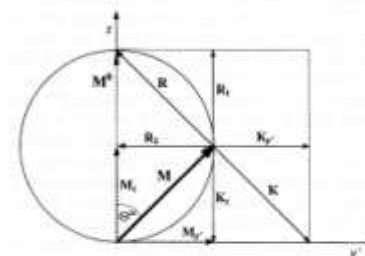


Figure 1 The steady-state condition, represented for the special case $\lambda_3 = \lambda_2 = \gamma B_2 = 1$ and the on-resonance B_1 field is aligned along the $+x'$ axis of the rotating frame. The equilibrium point is characterized by the condition $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{K} = \mathbf{0}$; i.e. the net relaxation vector \mathbf{R} balances the torque $\mathbf{K} = \gamma \mathbf{M} \otimes \mathbf{B}_1$ (see text). By varying the γB_1 value, \mathbf{M} moves along the depicted Thales circle but always remains in quadrant I (cf. Fig. 2).

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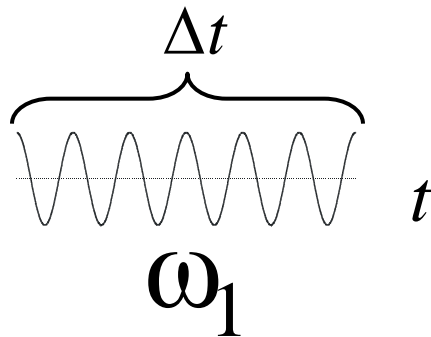
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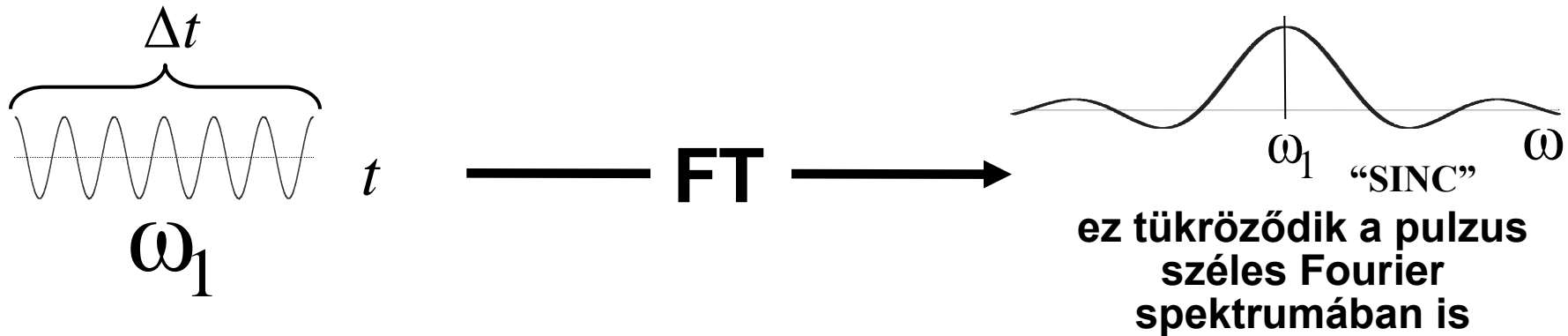
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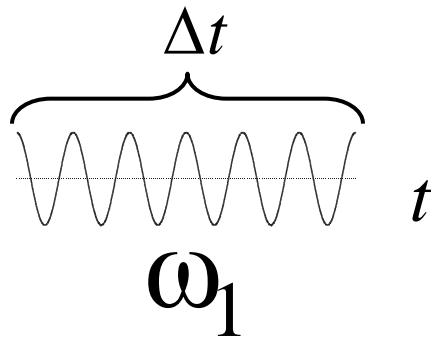
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**NOMINÁLISAN
MONOKROMATIKUS (ω_1)
RF PULZUS**

**EFFEKTÍVE
POLIKROMATIKUS ($\Delta \omega_1$)**

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széles tartományát képes
gerjeszteni

“As the **Uncertainty Principle** indicates, a pulse of **carrier frequency ω_1** will contain, **in effect, a range of frequencies** centred on ω_1 . The distribution of RF magnetic field amplitudes takes the form $\sin(x)/x$ which is the frequency-domain equivalent of a short pulse in the time domain. The two domains are connected by the **Fourier transform**”

“Although the applied excitation may be **precisely centred at a frequency ω_1** , our act of turning the excitation power on at time zero and off at time Δt **effectively broadens the spectral range** of the excitation to a bandwidth of $\sim 1/\Delta t$.”

“... the RF source is monochromatic, so we have to work out a way of using a single frequency to excite multiple frequencies. If the irradiation is applied for a time Δt , then, due to the **Uncertainty Principle**, the **nominally monochromatic** irradiation is **uncertain in frequency** by about $1/\Delta t$.”

“...if the pulse is made **shorter**, we will **no longer** have a **truly monochromatic** frequency spectrum even though **the source is still monochromatic**”.

“A pulse of **monochromatic RF** can be described in the frequency domain as a **band of frequencies**. The **Heisenberg principle** states that there is a minimum **uncertainty** in the simultaneous specification of the frequency and the duration of the measurement. This means that, **as the pulse length decreases, irradiation is spread over a wider frequency band**. The **sinc Fourier spectrum** of a rectangular RF pulse shows that **a shorter pulse gives a wider sinc band**.”

MILYEN (PRE)KONCEPCIÓK VEZETNEK EHHEZ A MAGYARÁZATHOZ?

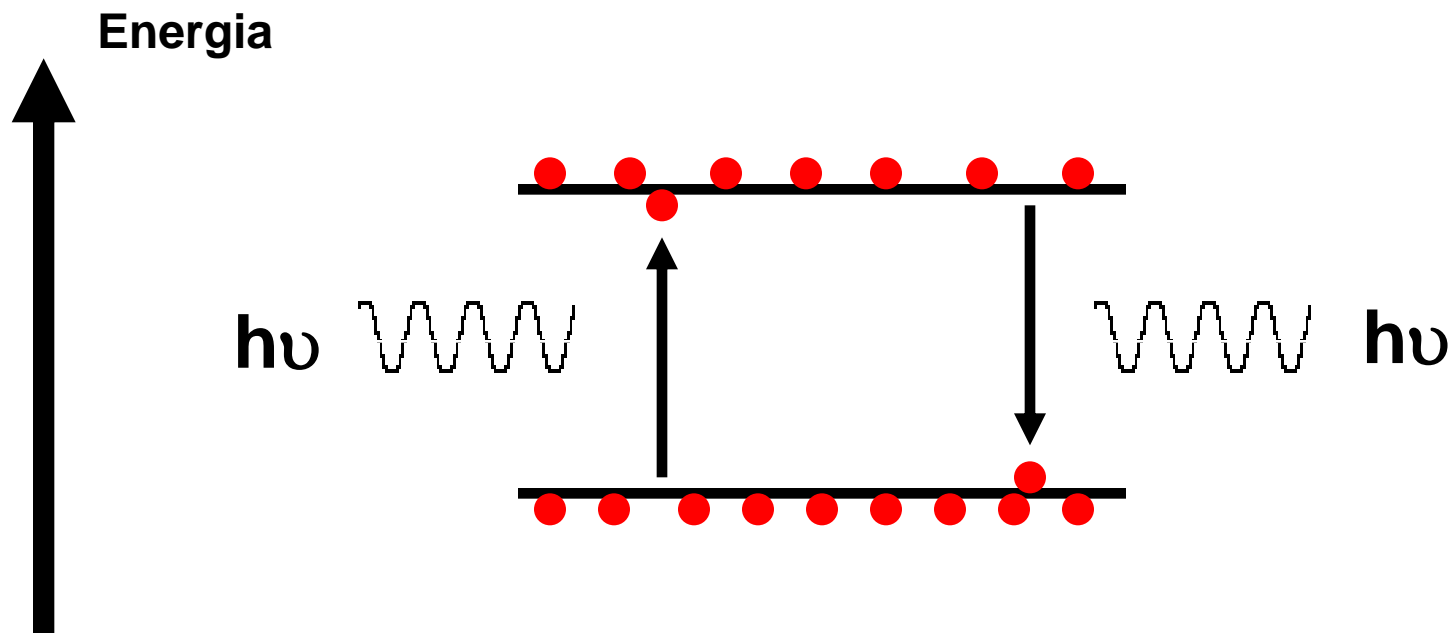


#1

NMR = kvantummechanikai jelenség



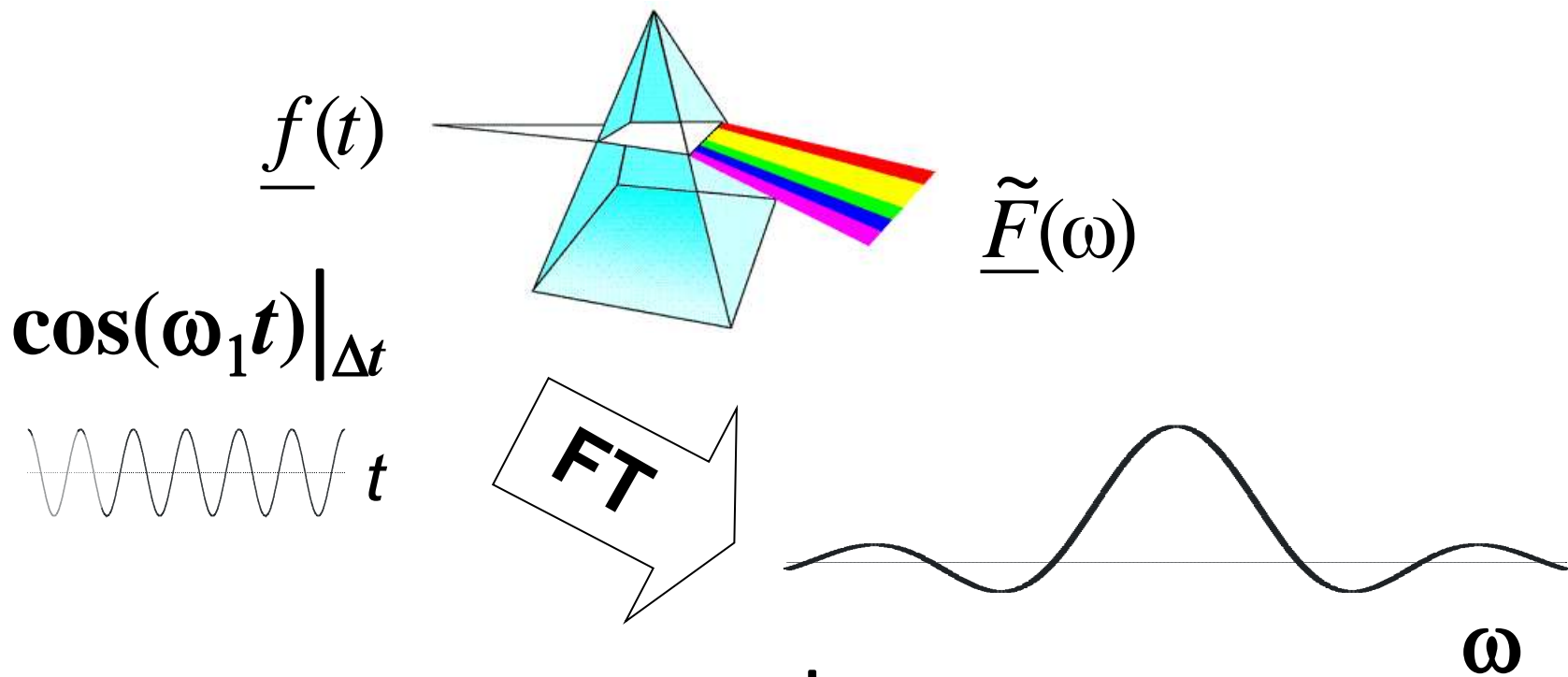
Heisenberg B.E. alkalmazható



pulzus = kvantummechanikai “entitás”

#2

**Fourier transzformáció =
időbeli jel felbontása
frekvencia komponenseire**

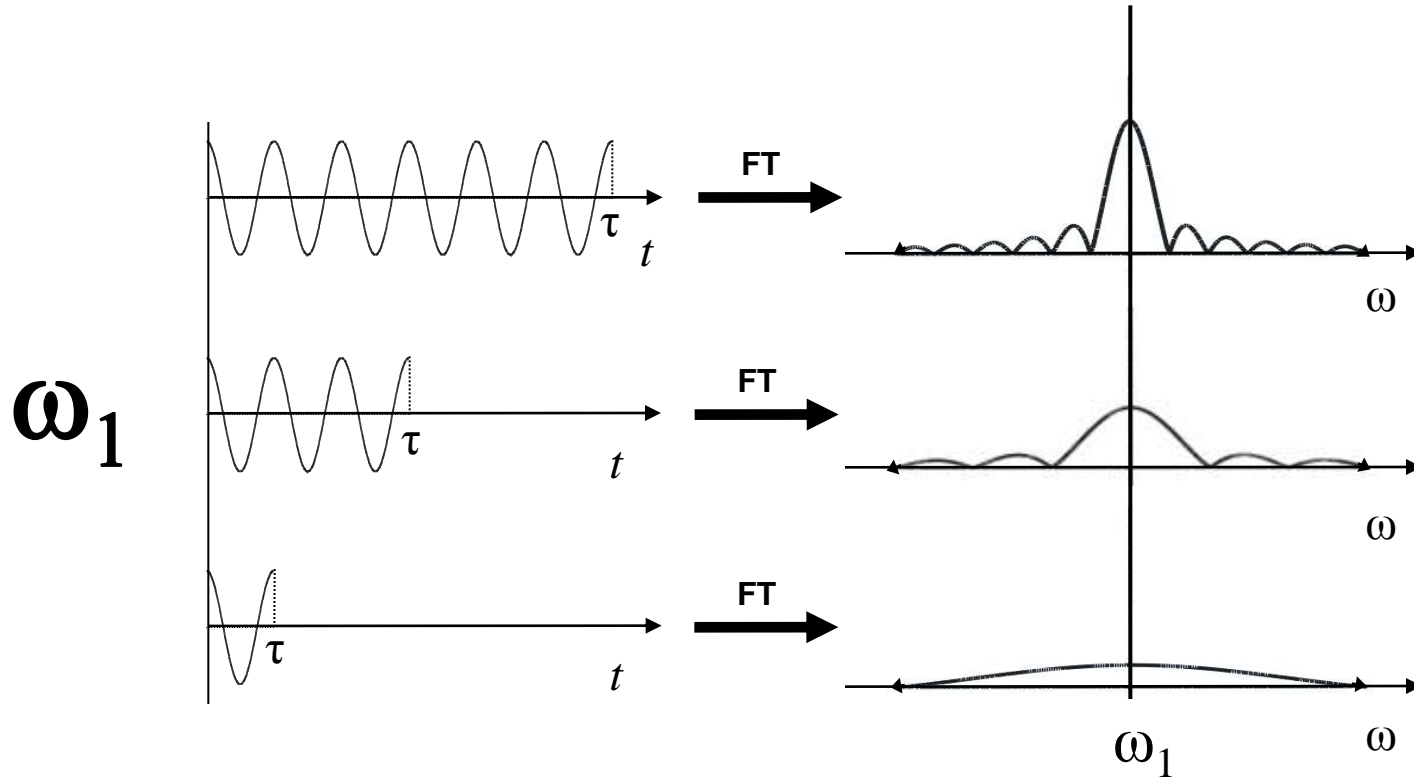


$\cos(\omega_1 t) \big|_{\Delta t}$ spektruma =

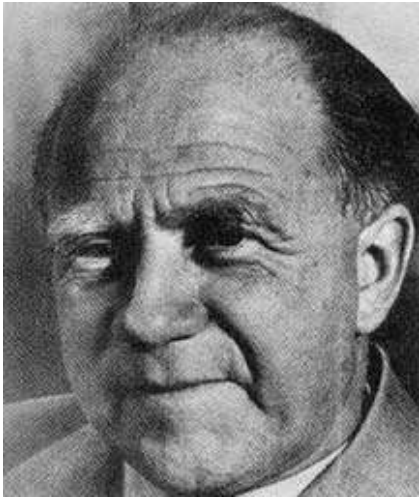
$\cos(\omega_1 t) \big|_{\Delta t}$ “frekvencia komponensei”

#3

a kvantummechanikai és klasszikus leírás korrelációja: a Heisenberg B.E. a FT területén is érvényesül:



$$\Delta t \cdot \Delta \omega \geq \text{konst.}$$

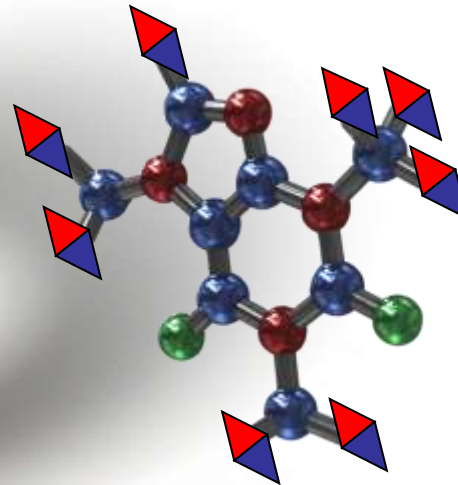
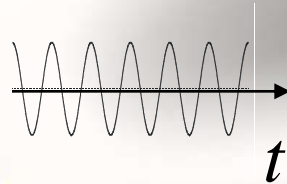


Heisenberg

**a magyarázat
helyesnek tűnik**

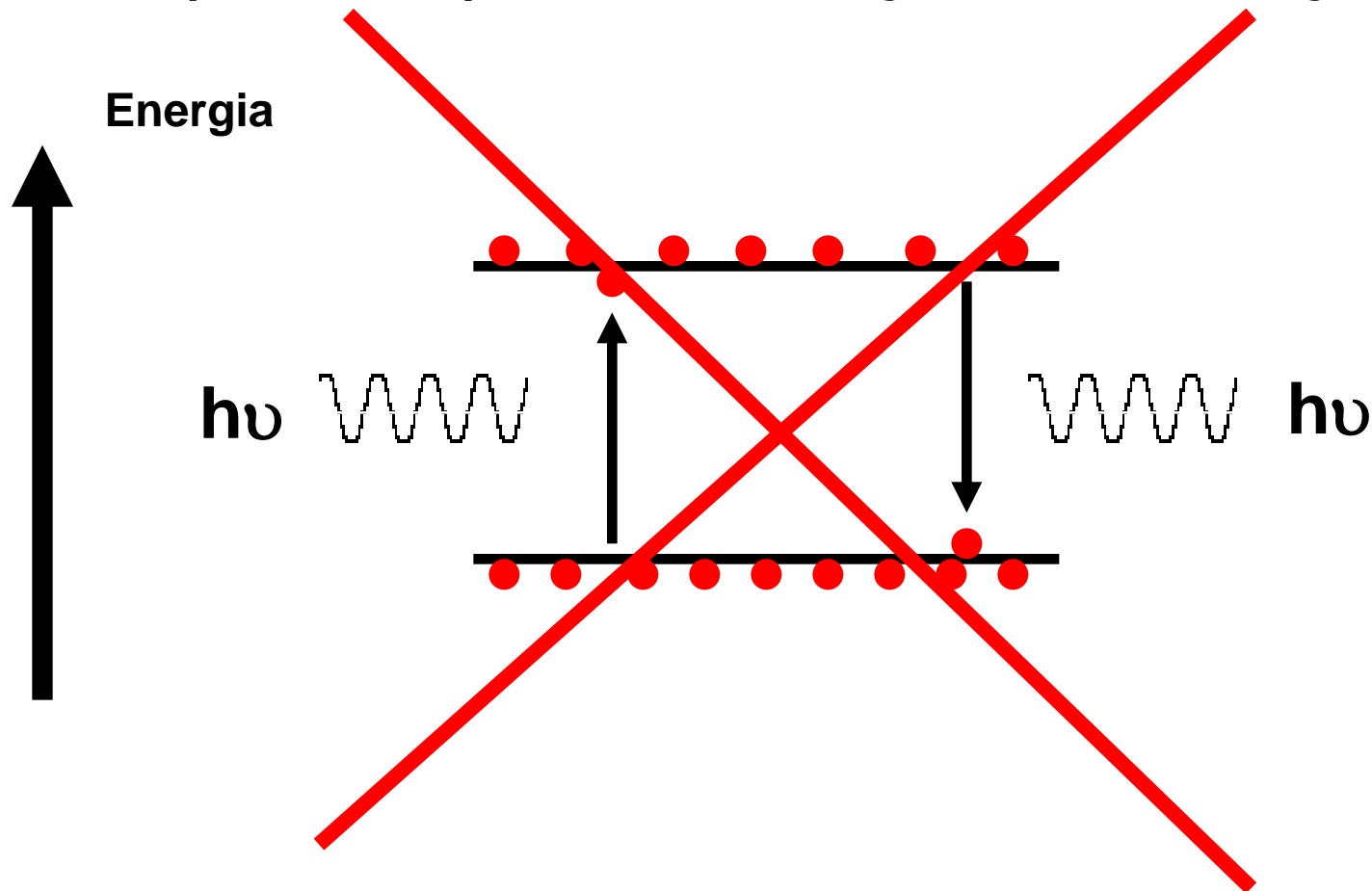


Fourier



mi ezzel a probléma?

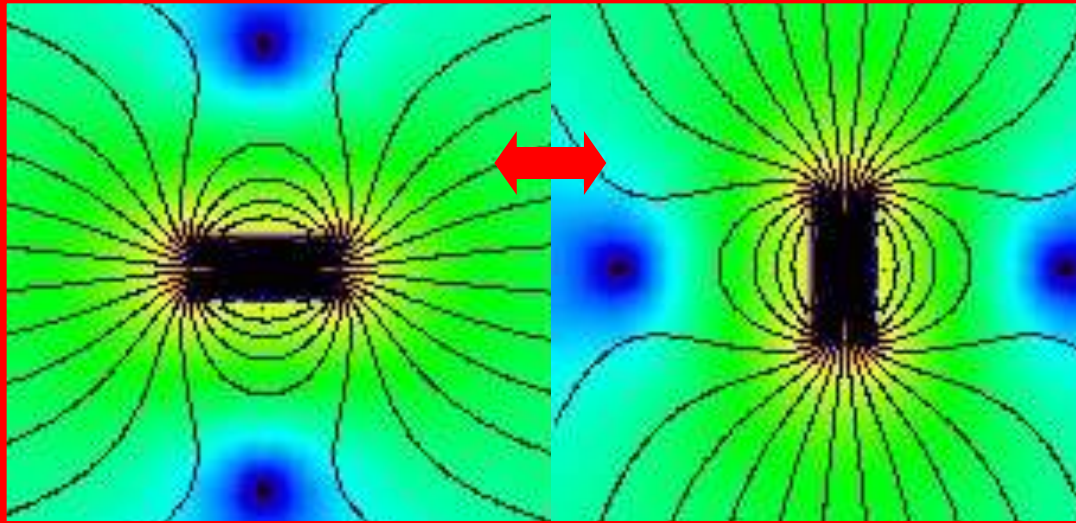
A mágneses rezonancia *NEM* rádió hullámok (fotonok) abszorpciója / emissziója!



**Valójában:
(makroszkópikus) mágneses rezonancia =
klasszikus, determinisztikus jelenség
(mágneses terek klasszikusan leírható kölcsönhatása)!**

**az RF hullám
mágneses
komponense**

**a minta
mágnesezettsége**



The Magnetic Resonance Myth of Radio Waves

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An inaccurate description of magnetic resonance is current among those employing it in medicine and biology. The technique is purported to use radio waves for both stimulation of the sample and for reception of the ensuing signal. Arguments are presented which counter this myth, and using only magnetic fields, an accurate classical description of transmission and reception is given.

INTRODUCTION

A strange notion exists that nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) uses radio waves for both excitation of a sample and for the reception of signal. Where this idea originated is difficult to say, for it cannot be found in any of the basic, long-established texts. However, its acceptance within, at least, the medical imaging community is now nearly universal, and attempting to combat the weight of several books that contain this error is a depressing matter, for one is often greeted with ill-masked skepticism. Why then should one bother? On the one hand, there is the academic's annoyance at the perpetration of a falsehood, and with it, the instilled belief that a faulty building block can eventually cause the learned tower to tumble. On the other hand, there is the knowledge that the NMR frequency range is sandwiched between those of electric power lines and microwaves, both of which have been accused of being health hazards. Guilt by false association with electric fields thus lurks in the wings.

Part of the problem perhaps lies in trying to use elementary quantum mechanics to explain the NMR phenomenon. The picture of two levels separated by energy $h\nu_0$ (where h is Planck's constant and ν_0 is the Larmor frequency) is appealing in its simplicity: Transmission involves the absorption of photons which cause transitions from the low energy state to the high energy state (see Figure 1). Of course, photons are usually portrayed in undergraduate texts as quanta of light, which is simply electromagnetic radiation, but with NMR the frequency of "radiation" is much lower, so the photon must be a radiowave! Conversely, after transmission, relaxation occurs as nuclei drop back into the lower energy state. In the process, they emit photons (radio waves again), and an antenna picks up the signal and passes it to the radio receiver that is the NMR system. The whole scenario is attractive: It appeals to the familiar in its use of radio waves and carries authority with its invocation of quantum mechanics. Unfortunately, it is also erroneous and misleading.

Is Quantum Mechanics Necessary for Understanding Magnetic Resonance?

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ABSTRACT: Educational material introducing magnetic resonance (MR) typically contains sections on the underlying principles. Unfortunately the explanations given are often unnecessarily complicated or even wrong. MR is often presented as a phenomenon that necessitates a quantum mechanical explanation whereas it really is a classical effect, i.e. a consequence of the common sense expressed in classical mechanics. This insight is not new, but there have been few attempts to challenge common misleading explanations, so authors and educators are inadvertently keeping myths alive. As a result, new students' first encounters with MR are often obscured by explanations that make the subject difficult to understand. Typical problems are addressed and alternative intuitive explanations are provided. © 2008 Wiley Periodicals, Inc. *Concepts Magn Reson Part A* 32A: 329–340, 2008.

KEY WORDS: magnetic resonance imaging; education; quantum mechanics; classical mechanics; tutorial; spin; myths

INTRODUCTION

Since the beginning of the twentieth century it has been known that classical physics as expressed in Newton's and Maxwell's equations do not form a complete description of known physical phenomena. If, for example, classical mechanics described the

interactions between electrons and nuclei, atoms would not exist as they would collapse in fractions of a second because orbiting electrons radiate energy and hence lose speed according to classical mechanics. The phenomena not explicable by classical mechanics inspired the formulation of the fundamental laws of quantum mechanics (QM). They have been tested very extensively for almost a century and no contradictions between experiments and the predictions of QM are known.

The QM theory is probabilistic in nature, i.e., it only provides the probabilities for specific observations to be made. This is not a surprising aspect of a physical law as a system cannot generally be prepared in a state precisely enough to ensure a specific future outcome (the uncertainty of the initial condi-

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Mi köze van tehát mindehhez Heisenbergnek?

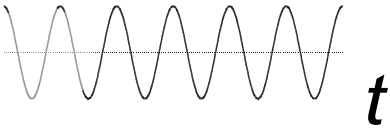
$$\Delta t \cdot \Delta \omega \geq \text{konst.}$$

kvantummechanikai + valószínűségi állítás!



RF pulzus = oszcilláló mágneses tér



$$\cos(\omega_1 t) \Big|_{\Delta t}$$


A sine wave representing a signal over time t .

FT

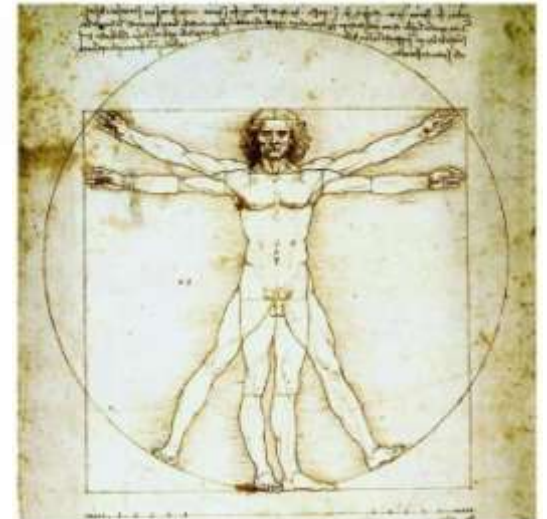



ω_1 az idő-dimenzióban pontosan definiált
a frekvencia dimenzióban pedig NEM?

“NOMINÁLISAN” monokromatikus =
“EFFEKTÍVE” polikromatikus???



A MEGOLDÁS



and

$$f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{G}_t(\omega) \cdot e^{i2\pi\omega t} \cdot d\omega \quad [\text{II-30}]$$

with [II-29] and [II-30] now being formally symmetric. Returning to Eqs. [II-26b] and [II-27b], it must therefore be understood that their asymmetry does not affect the principle truth that the FT is one-to-one: the fundamental point is that $f(t)$ can be recovered *exactly* from $\tilde{E}_t(\omega)$, but the factor $1/(2\pi)$ must be taken into account. It is in this implied sense of ensuring the symmetry between the operations \tilde{E} and \tilde{F} that one must interpret the meaning of the symbol \tilde{E} in [I-47], which reflects the invertible nature of the FT. With this understanding, the Fourier inversion theorem can formally be written as:

$$\tilde{E}(\tilde{E}f(t)) = f(t) \quad [\text{II-31a}]$$

Temporal:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{E}_t(\omega) \cdot e^{i\omega t} \cdot d\omega \\ &= \underbrace{\Re \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{E}_t(\omega) \cdot e^{i\omega t} \cdot d\omega \right)}_{\Re f(t)} + \underbrace{i \cdot \Im \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{E}_t(\omega) \cdot e^{i\omega t} \cdot d\omega \right)}_{i \cdot \Im f(t)} \end{aligned} \quad [\text{II-32a}]$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \int_0^{\infty} \tilde{E}_t^{\cos}(\omega) \cdot \cos(\omega t) \cdot d\omega + \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \int_0^{\infty} \tilde{E}_t^{\sin}(\omega) \cdot \sin(\omega t) \cdot d\omega \\ & \quad \parallel \quad \parallel \\ &= \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{E}_t^{\cos}(\omega) \cdot e^{i\omega t} \cdot d\omega \right\} + \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{E}_t^{\sin}(\omega) \cdot e^{i\omega t} \cdot d\omega \right\} \end{aligned} \quad [\text{II-33a}]$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{E}_t^{\cos}(\omega) \cdot e^{i\omega t} \cdot d\omega \right\} + \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{E}_t^{\sin}(\omega) \cdot e^{i\omega t} \cdot d\omega \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{E}_t^{\cos}(\omega) \cdot e^{i\omega t} \cdot d\omega \right\} + \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{E}_t^{\sin}(\omega) \cdot e^{i\omega t} \cdot d\omega \right\} \end{aligned} \quad [\text{II-34a}]$$

$$\tilde{E}(\tilde{E}f(t)) = f(t) \quad [\text{II-31b}]$$

• It is important to remember that the function value at a given frequency of an FT-spectrum has the following meaning: $\tilde{E}_t^{\cos}(\omega)$ is associated with a complex cosine wave $\tilde{E}_t \cdot \cos(\omega t)$; $\tilde{E}_t^{\sin}(\omega)$ is associated with a complex sine wave $\tilde{E}_t \cdot \sin(\omega t)$; $\tilde{E}_t(\omega)$ is associated with a complex-amplitude phasor $\tilde{E}_t \cdot e^{i\omega t}$; $\Re \tilde{E}_t(\omega)$ is associated with a real-amplitude phasor $\Re \tilde{E}_t \cdot e^{i\omega t}$; $\Im \tilde{E}_t(\omega)$ is associated with a pure imaginary-amplitude phasor $i \cdot \Im \tilde{E}_t \cdot e^{i\omega t}$.

• In analogy to our discussion of FA in section II-2, further insight may be gained into the FT by noting again that the right-hand side of Eq. [II-26b] represents an infinite collection of external "principle phasors" on the phasor frequency scale. Thus, in analogy to [I-71]–[I-76] and [II-8]–[II-10], we can formulate the following scheme:



Spectral:

$$\tilde{E}_t(\omega) = \Re \tilde{E}_t(\omega) + i \cdot \Im \tilde{E}_t(\omega) \quad [\text{II-32S}]$$

$$\tilde{E}_t^{\cos}(\omega) \quad \& \quad \tilde{E}_t^{\sin}(\omega) \quad [\text{II-33S}]$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \tilde{E}_t^{\cos}(\omega) \\ \tilde{E}_t^{\sin}(\omega) \end{array} \right\} + \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \tilde{E}_t^{\sin}(\omega) \\ \tilde{E}_t^{\cos}(\omega) \end{array} \right\} \quad [\text{II-34S}]$$

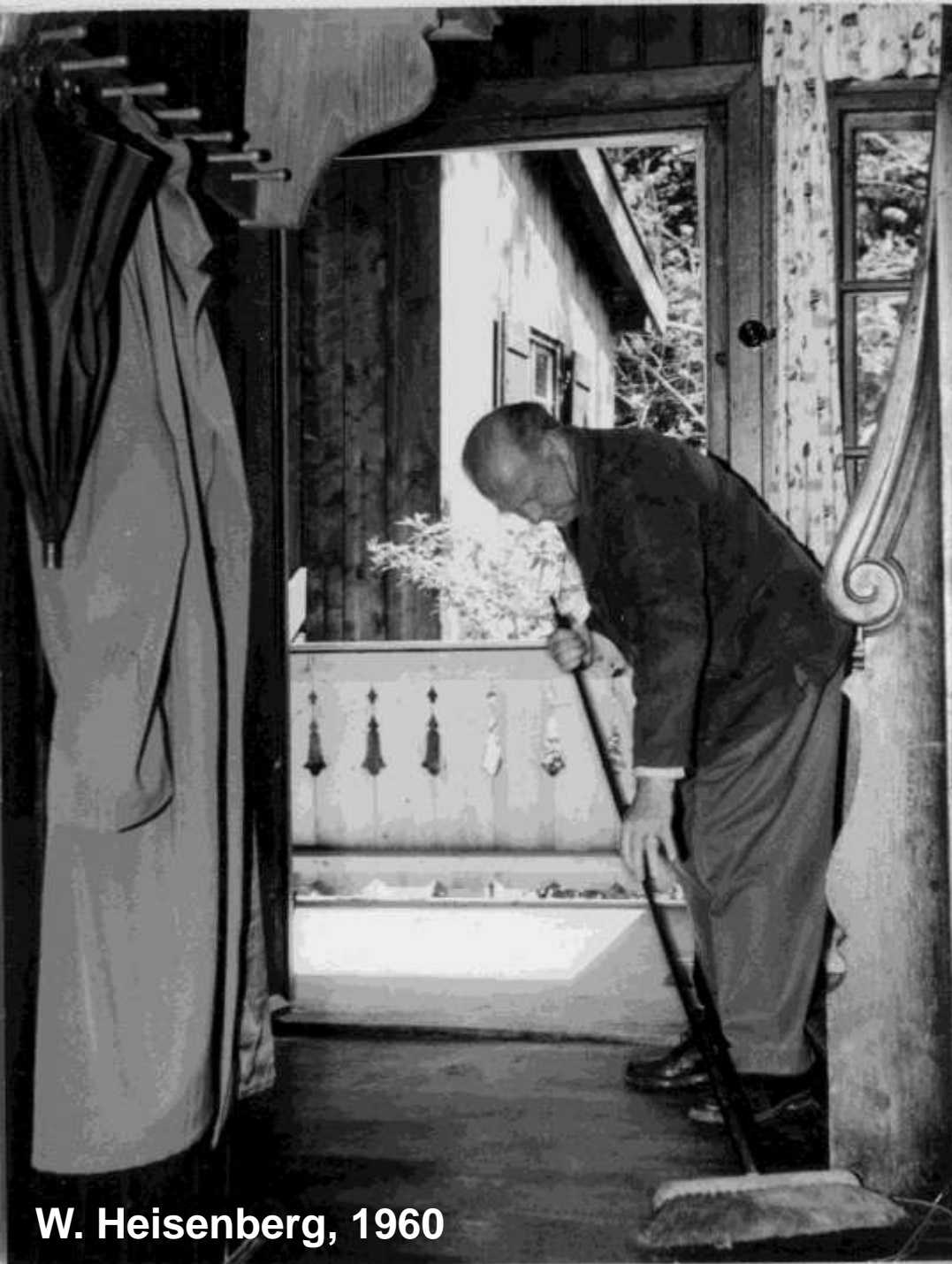
Further, in analogy to [II-11S]–[II-13S], we can express the FT formula as:

$$\tilde{E}f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cdot e^{-i\omega t} \cdot d\omega \quad [\text{II-35S}]$$

$$= \underbrace{\Re \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cdot e^{-i\omega t} \cdot d\omega \right)}_{\Re \tilde{E}f(t)} + \underbrace{i \cdot \Im \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cdot e^{-i\omega t} \cdot d\omega \right)}_{i \cdot \Im \tilde{E}f(t)} \quad [\text{II-35S}]$$

$$= \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cdot \cos(\omega t) \cdot d\omega}_{\tilde{E}^{\cos}f(t)} + \underbrace{i \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cdot \sin(\omega t) \cdot d\omega}_{i \cdot \tilde{E}^{\sin}f(t)} \quad [\text{II-36S}]$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cdot e^{-i\omega t} \cdot d\omega \right\} + \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cdot e^{-i\omega t} \cdot d\omega \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cdot e^{-i\omega t} \cdot d\omega \right\} + \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) \cdot e^{-i\omega t} \cdot d\omega \right\} \end{aligned} \quad [\text{II-37S}]$$



W. Heisenberg, 1960



**Heisenbergnek
SEMMI köze
az ÜGYHÖZ!**

Két fajta Bizonytalansági Elv létezik!

IDŐ-FREKVENCIA
ANALÍZIS

Heisenberg

B. E.:

$$\Delta t \cdot \Delta \omega \geq \text{konst.}$$

*valószínűségi
állítás*

**VALÓJÁBAN
EZZEL VAN
DOLGUNK!**



Fourier

B. E.:

$$\Delta t \cdot \Delta \omega \geq \text{konst.}$$

**determinisztikus
állítás**

A név a formális alaki hasonlóságból ered!

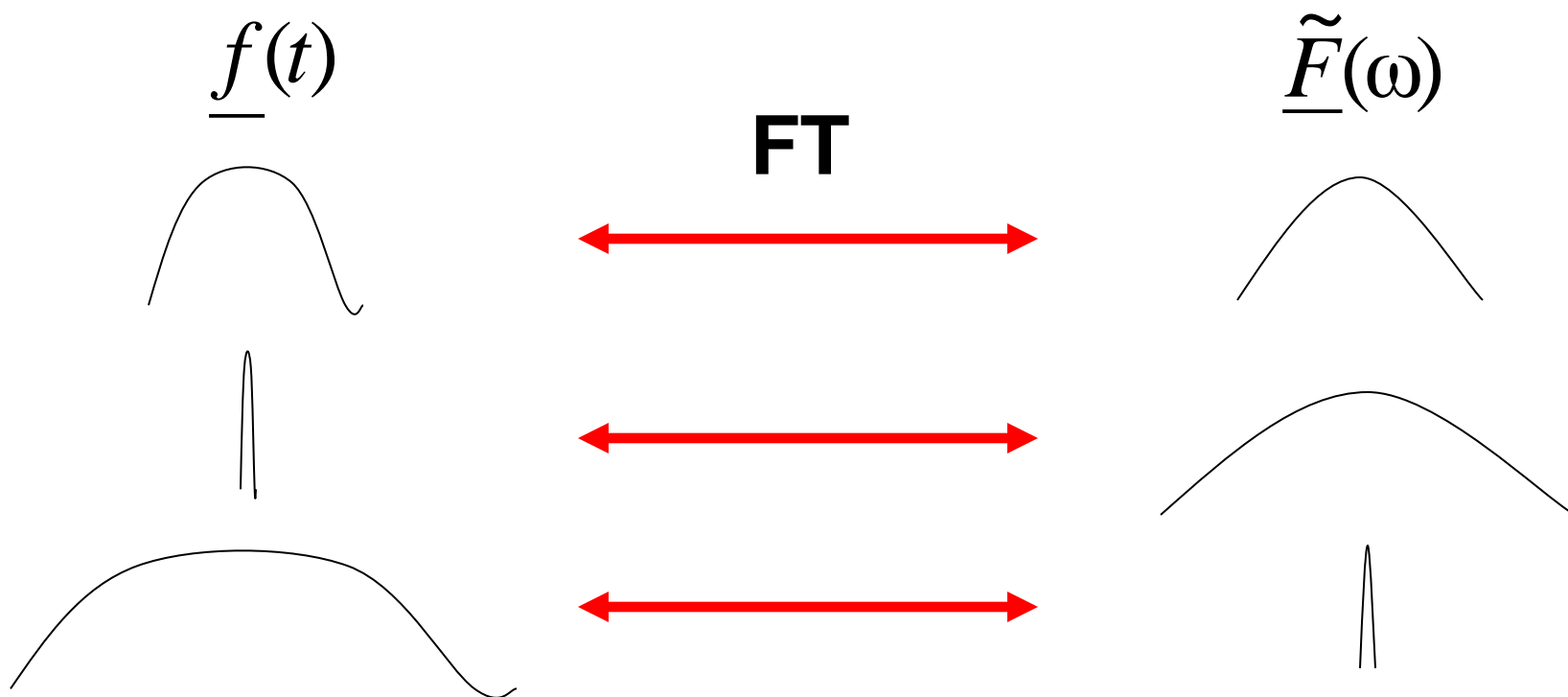
**Formális (matematikai) hasonlóság,
de különböző fizikai jelentés!**

A Fourier “Bizonytalansági” Elv állítása:

$f(t)$ “keskeny” $\rightarrow F(\omega)$ “széles”

$f(t)$ “széles” $\rightarrow F(\omega)$ “keskeny”

(SEMMI “BIZONYTALANSÁG”!)



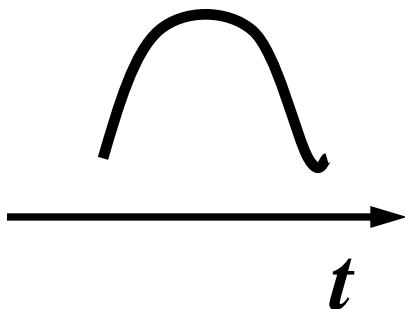
Mindkét dimenzióhoz azonos fizikai értelmezést kell rendelnünk!

A

“KONJUGÁLT FIZIKAI EKVIVALENCIA”
TÖRVÉNYE

transzformált
dimenzió

natív dimenzió

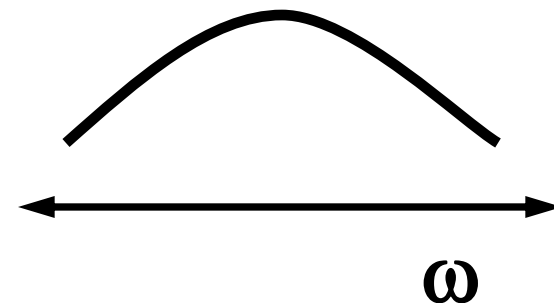


$\underline{f(t)}$



$$\underline{\tilde{F}(\omega)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underline{f(t)} e^{-i\omega t} dt$$

$$\underline{f(t)} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underline{\tilde{F}(\omega)} e^{i\omega t} d\omega$$



$\underline{\tilde{F}(\omega)}$

...mit “csinál” a Fourier transzformáció...

...mi a “spektrum” jelentése...?

$$\underline{\tilde{F}}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underline{f}(t) \cdot e^{-i\omega t} \cdot dt$$



A FT lényege:

$f(t)$ dekompozíciója $\underline{A} \cdot e^{i \cdot \omega t}$ alakú,

végtelen idejű BÁZIS ELEMEEK

végtelen frekvenciatartományú

sorává

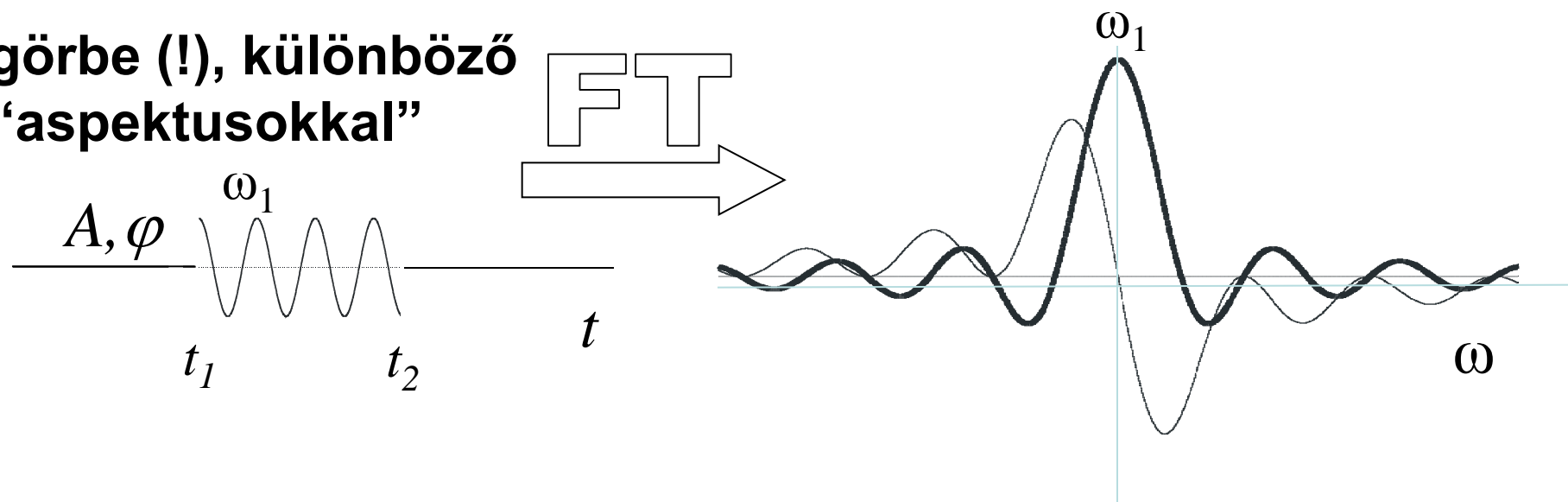
$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\omega) \cdot e^{i \cdot \omega t} \cdot d\omega$$

$\underline{A} \cdot e^{i\omega t}$
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$\underline{F}(\omega)$

Bázis elem = matematikai absztrakció,
aminek NINCS inherens fizikai jelentése!
A fizikai jelentést MI (emberek) rendeljük
hozzá, nem pedig belőle fakad!

**görbe (!), különböző
“aspektusokkal”**



Az információ csomag van átkódolva!

A “spektrum” a kódok összessége!

(a fizikai értelmezést MI adjuk, az NEM a “kódok” sajátja!)

BLOCH EQUATION

- time-dependent behavior of \vec{M} in the presence of an applied magnetic field (excitation \neq relaxation)

precession: $\vec{B} = B_z \hat{z}$
 excitation: $\vec{B} = B_x \hat{x} + B_y \hat{y}$

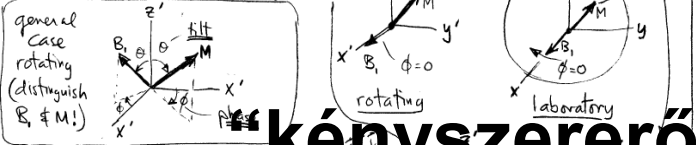
"transverse" "spin-spin"
 "longitudinal" "spin-lattice"

equilibrium M_z value in only the B_0 field

unit vector in z -direction

(varying frame) $\frac{d\vec{M}}{dt} = \underbrace{\vec{M} \times \vec{B}}_{\substack{\text{existing} \\ \text{applied}}} - \underbrace{\frac{M_x \hat{x} + M_y \hat{y}}{T_2} - \frac{(M_z - M_z^0) \hat{z}}{T_1}}_{\text{change}}$

Az RF pulzus szélhatásának m



- longitudinal and transverse relaxations

$\frac{dM_z}{dt} = -\frac{M_z - M_0}{T_1}$

$\frac{dM_{xy}}{dt} = -\frac{M_{xy}}{T_2}$

from Bloch equation after dropping applied field term

- solution to equations above: time-dependent free precession e.g.

Lab frame: same!

$$M_z(t) = \underbrace{M_z(0)}_{\text{re-growing from 0}} (1 - e^{-t/T_1}) + \underbrace{M_z(0_+)}_{\text{leftover after pulse - decaying!}} e^{-t/T_1}$$

$$M_{x,y}(t) = \underbrace{M_{x,y}(0_+)}_{\text{initial mag}} e^{-t/T_2}$$

$M_z(0) = 63\% M_0$
 $M_z(0_+) = 37\% M_0$

M_z, M_x at time immediately after pulse

$M_{x,y}(0_+)$
 $M_{x,y}(t)$

Lab frame: times $e^{-i\omega t}$

BLOCH EQ. - MATRIX VERSION

inner product
(= dot product)
(= scaled
projection onto)

outer product
(= cross product)

$c = \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = [a_1 \ a_2 \ a_3] \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_3$
(Scalar)

$c = |\vec{a}| \cos \theta$
 $c = |\vec{a}| |\vec{b}| \cos \theta$
if $|\vec{b}| = 1$

$\vec{c} = \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & b_2 & -b_3 \\ -b_3 & 0 & b_2 \\ b_2 & b_3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = [a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2 \ a_3 b_1 - a_1 b_3 \ a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1]$
(vector)

magyarázata:

"amplitúdó"! \Rightarrow precession around z

$$\vec{M}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} M_x(t) \\ M_y(t) \\ M_z(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \omega_L t & \sin \omega_L t & 0 \\ -\sin \omega_L t & \cos \omega_L t & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} M_0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{R}_z(\omega_L t) \vec{M}^0$$

Including Relaxation

$$\frac{d\vec{M}}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} -1/\tau_1 & \gamma B_0 & 0 \\ \gamma B_0 & -1/\tau_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1/\tau_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} M_x \\ M_y \\ M_z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ M_0/\tau_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution:

$$\vec{M}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-t/\tau_1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-t/\tau_2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{-t/\tau_1} \end{bmatrix} \vec{R}_z(\omega_1) \vec{M}^0 + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ M_0(1 - e^{-t/\tau_1}) \end{bmatrix}$$

**lineáris határeset: pulzus FT spektruma \sim
 \sim NMR gerjesztési profil (Szuperpozíció Elv)**



#3

antrópikusan árnyalt
tudományos gondolkodás

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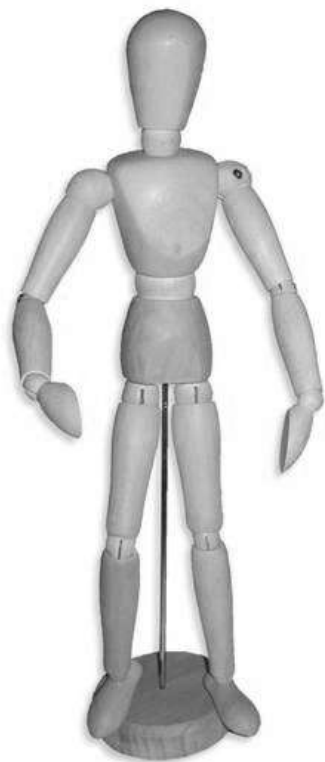
~~A tudomány alapja az abszolút igazság.~~

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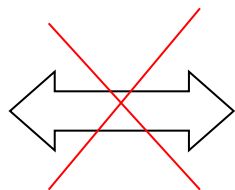
Az “igazság” nem létezhet az *emberi* értelemről függetlenül: a világról nem, csak a világ *általunk* alkotott *LEÍRÁSÁRÓL* állíthatjuk, hogy igaz, vagy hamis. *Tudományos igazság* alatt valójában nem “abszolút igazságot” kell értenünk, hanem a világnak egy olyan *leírását*, amely a megerősítésére és cáfolatára tett kísérletek egész sorát kiállta, ezért helyesnek tekinthető.

(Richard Rorty, John Webb)

#2



“átlagember”

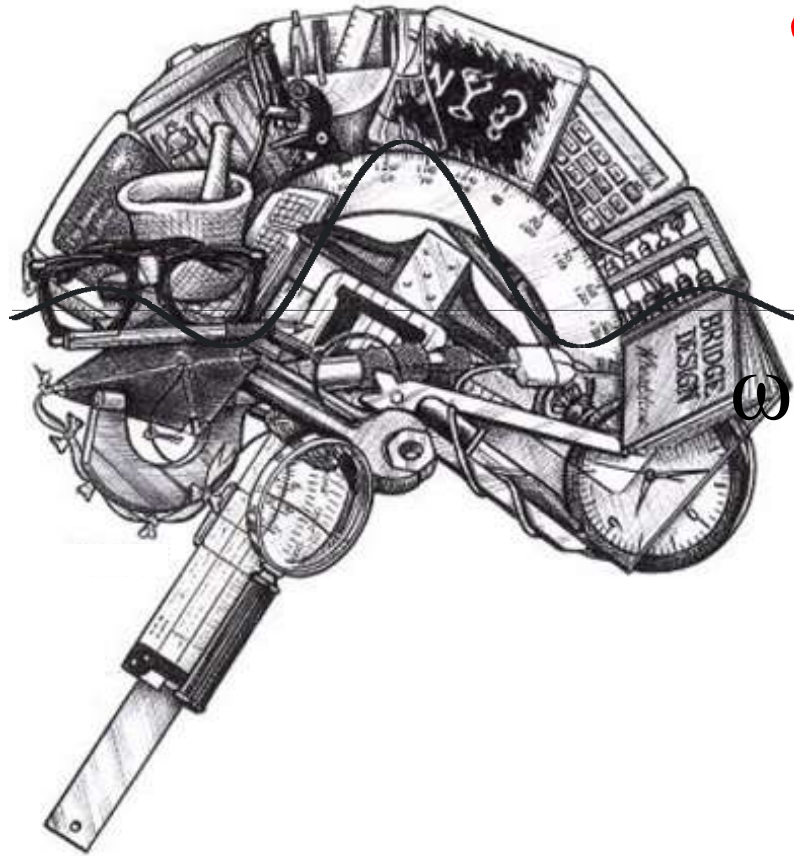
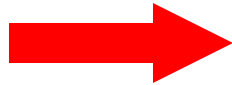


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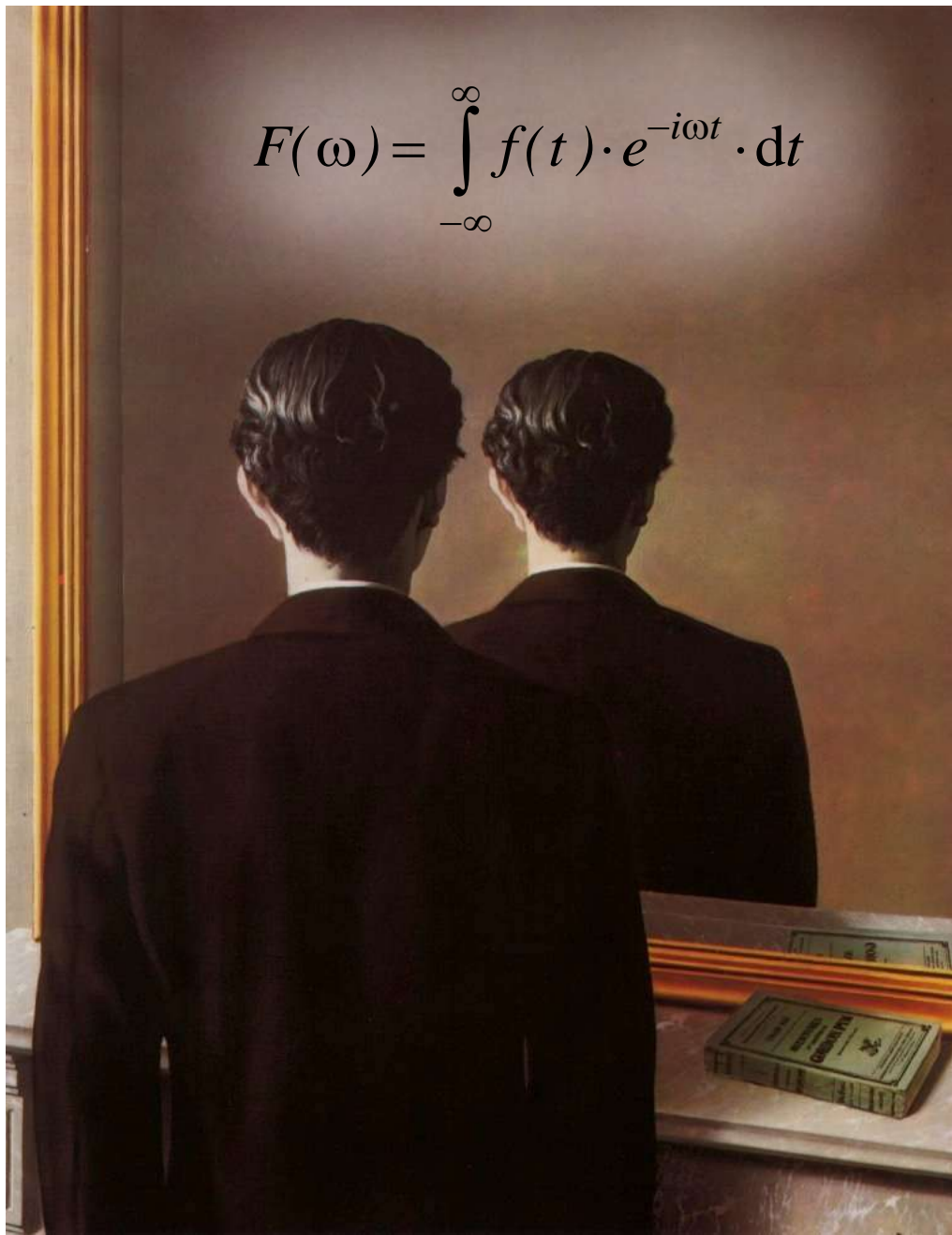
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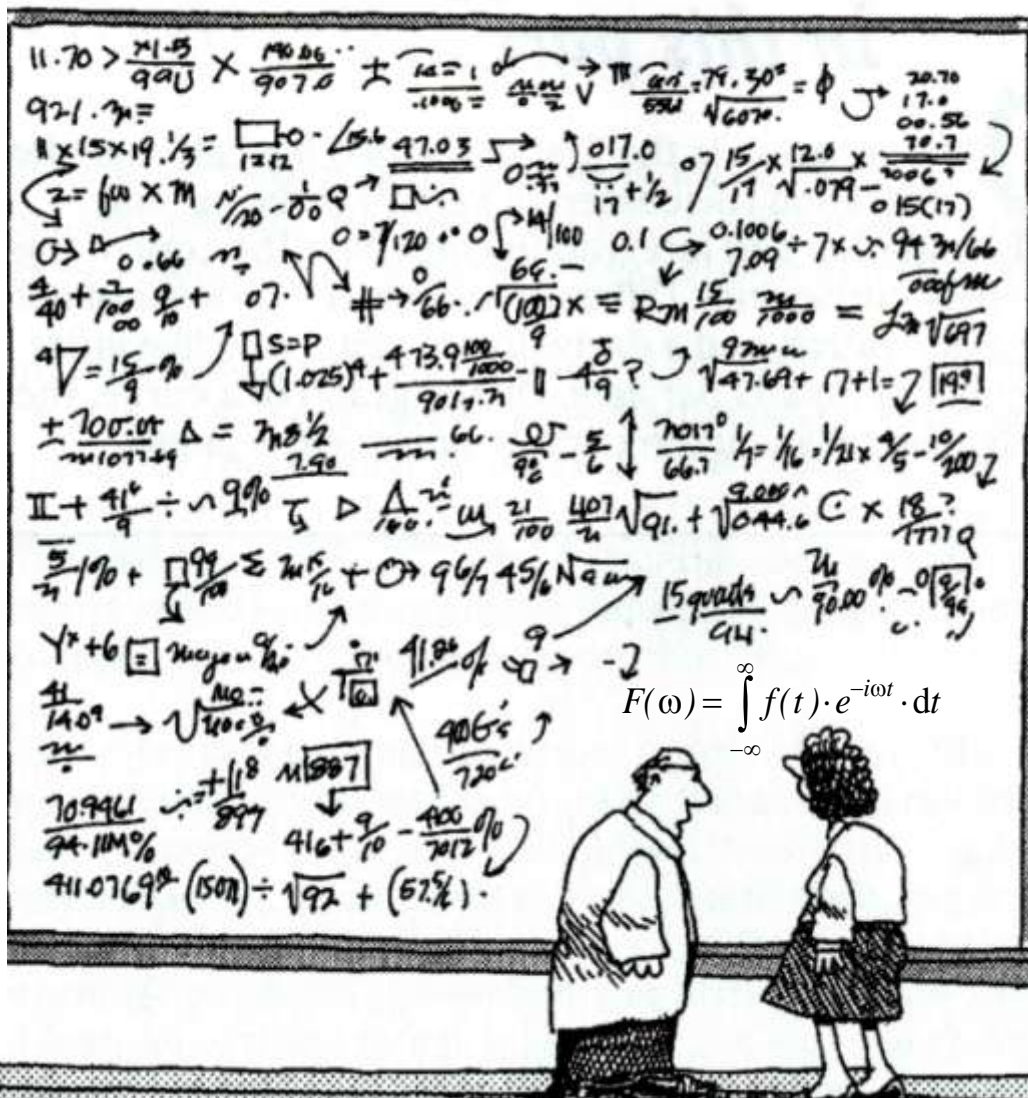
“reflexszerű de-absztrahálás”



“ismeretlen ismerős”



“(matematikai) fa vs. (fizikai) erdő”



“Pontosan mit is akartunk itt mondani?”

“enjoy your flight”



“elveszett jelentés”



Nyelvem határai ismereteim határait jelentik.
Csak azt tudom, amit (PONTOSAN*)
meg tudok nevezni.
- Ludwig Wittgenstein (*SZ.CS.)

JELENTŐSÉG + MERRE VEZET MINDEZ?







KÖSZÖNÖM A FIGYELMET



Honnan tudná az ember, hogy melyik a saját útja, ha csak járt utakon jár?

– Reinhold Messner