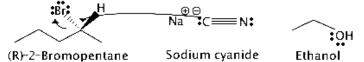
APPENDIX A: PICTORIAL INSCRIPTIONS, AND VERBAL TRANSCRIPTIONS AND TRANSLATIONS

CHEMSENSE GROUP

1. Assuming that your audience is your peers, please draw labeled pictures to explain what occurs on the molecular level when (R) bromopentage (G H Br) reacts with sodium cyanide (NaCN) using ethanol as the solvent.



The Br leaves and the C on the cyanide throws its electrons at the C that Br left from for an SN_2 reaction.

Another thing that happens is an $\rm E_2$ reaction where the Br leaves and the cyanide pulls an H off of the 3rd carbon in bromopentane, causing a double bond to form between carbons 2 and 3.

2. Explain why the \mathbb{Z} products of the reaction in $\#_1$ are formed faster if the solvent is switched to acetone.

Acetone

Because acetone is more polar and helps stabilize charges. This stabilization lowers the NRG that is required for the reaction to happen.

File:wk8S,MC

Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
At the top of the text, the first verbal part of the quiz question and the accompanying labeled molecular drawings of (R)-2-bromopentane, sodium cyanide, and ethanol are shown.	
The student has altered the drawing of 2-bromopentane and sodium cyanide by drawing a curved arrow from the two dots to the left of the "C" to the 4 th vertex (L to R) of the 2-bromopentant. There is an additional arrow curving upwards from that vertex to the "Br"	The student does not redraw the molecules, nor does the student rearrange them into a more conventional chemical equation format. The student does not draw the products of the reaction. The student shows the $S_N 2$ reaction of the cyanide ion with bromopentane with the bromine as a leaving group. Not redrawing the molecules could signify the student's lack of confidence in either 1) drawing the molecules correctly or 2) using the program correctly to draw the molecules. Or perhaps it is an ease of use issue.

The student has added the following text below the drawings: "The Br leaves and the C on the cyanide throws its electrons at the C that Br left from for an $S_N 2$ reaction. Another thing that happens is an E2 reaction where the Br leaves and the cyanide pulls an H off the 3^{rd} carbon in bromopentane causing a double bond to form between carbons 2 and 3.

The student explains the reaction in words. However, the wording implies a two step reaction:

- 1) the Br leaves,
- 2) and the C on the cyanide throws it's electrons at the C that Br left from for an S_N2 reaction (emphasis mine) In the S_N2 reaction, bond making and bond breaking occur simultaneously. The apparent simultaneous reaction path implied by the drawing does not display, perhaps, the student's true understanding of the path of this reaction.

The student continues by discussing the possibility of an E2 reaction, which is not shown graphically.

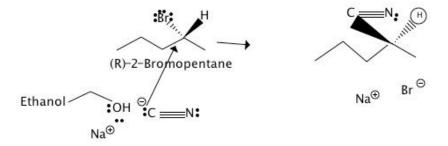
By not drawing the products of the S_N2 reaction, nor the progress or products of the E2 reaction, the student ignores the issue of stereochemistry, prompted by the verbal stereochemical designation of the reactant, (R), and the pictorial drawing of stereochemistry using wedges and dashed lines. However, the student does recognize that inversion of configuration occurs based on the answer to the verbal quiz.

In the middle of the text, the second verbal part of the quiz question and the accompanying labeled molecular drawing of acetone is shown.

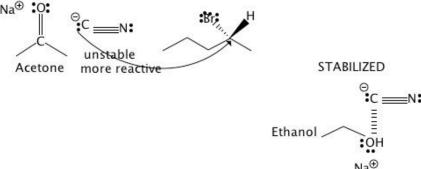
The student's answer is entirely verbal: "Because acetone is more polar and helps stabilize charges. This stabilization lowers the NRG that is required for the reaction to happen."

The student does not draw any charged species to illustrate the answer, nor does s/he specify which charged species are referred to. The only charged species shown is the sodium cyanate. However, partial charges do form on molecules during $S_{\rm N}2$, and E2 reactions. Acetone is not more polar than ethanol, and would not stabilize these charges. Instead, ethanol competes with the reaction by participating itself.

 1 . Assuming that your audience is your peers, please draw labeled pictures to explain what occurs on the molecular level when (R)-2-bromopentane (C5H $_1$ 1Br) reacts with sodium cyanide (NaCN) using ethanol as the solvent.



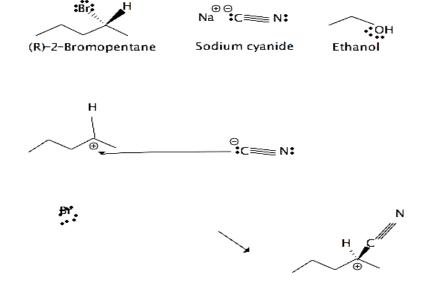
2. Explain why the $\frac{Q}{n}$ products of the reaction in $\#_1$ are formed faster if the solvent is switched to acetone.



File: wk8Se,S

Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
The verbal portion of the first question is	
shown at the top of the text.	
Beneath the text is a labeled molecular	The student shows an S_N^2 reaction. The
drawing of (R)-2-bromopentane. To the	student draws the products of the reaction
right is a rightward facing arrow. To the	with inversion of configuration.
right of the arrow is a molecular drawing of	
(S)-2-cyanopentane. Beneath the (S)-2-	
cyanopentane is Na with a plus sign	
slightly above and to the right, and Br with	
a minus sign slightly above and to the right.	
Below the (R)-2-bromopentane is drawn a	Given the drawing in the lower right of the
labeled molecular drawing of ethanol. To	text, the student appears to be drawing the
the right of the ethanol drawing is a picture	interaction between the solvent, ethanol,
of cyanide with a minus sign slightly above	the cyanide anion, and the sodium cation.
and to the left of the C. There is an arrow	
pointing from the electron dots on the C	

toward the 2 nd carbon of pentane. Below the O of ethanol is drawn an Na with a plus sign slightly above and to the right. The text of the second question is shown in he approximate middle of the text.	
Below the text of the second question is a labeled molecular drawing of acetone. To the left of the O of acetone is Na with a plus sign slightly above and to the right. To the right of the acetone drawing is a picture of the cyanide with a minus sign slightly above and to the left of the C. To the right of the cyanide is a molecular drawing of (R)-2-bromopentane.	The student appears to be drawing the interaction between acetone, the cyanide anion, and the sodium cation. This picture mirrors the drawings of the ethanol interaction above and below.
There is an arrow drawn from the dots on C of cyanide toward the 2 nd carbon on the (R)-2-bromopentane.	The student redraws the S_N 2 reaction in an attempt to explain the interaction between the solvent and the reaction mechanism.
The words "unstable more reactive" are written underneath the cyanide.	These words attempt to explain how the interaction drawn above influences the mechanism of the $S_{\rm N}2$ reaction.
In the lower right corner of the text is a labeled molecular picture of ethanol. Above the ethanol O is a drawing of cyanide with a minus sign slightly above and to the right of the C. There is a dashed line between the C of the cyanide and the O of ethanol. Below the O is an Na with a plus sign slightly above and to the right of the Na. Above these drawings is the word "Stabilized".	This picture appears to be a drawing the interaction between ethanol, the cyanide anion, and the sodium cation. The word "stabilized" attempts to explain how this interaction does not favor the $S_{\rm N}2$ reaction, though the mechanism of the reaction is not shown.



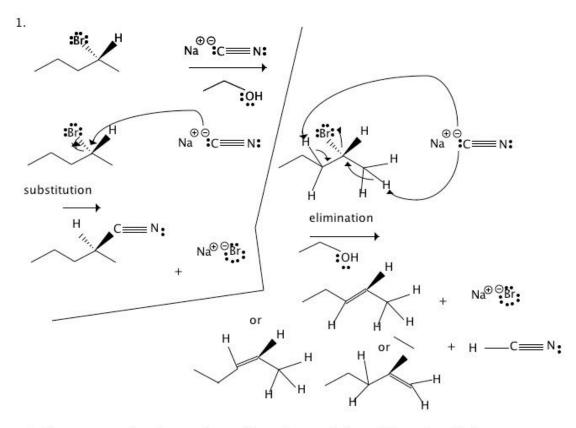
 ${\rm Sn_1}$ is slower than ${\rm Sn_2}$ because carbocations are a lot of energy Acetone promotes ${\rm Sn_2}$. Thus it is faster

NaBr

File: wk8N,AT

Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
At the top of the text, the three labeled	
molecular drawings of (R)-2-	
bromopentane, sodium cyanide and ethanol	
are shown. These are unaltered from the	
original depiction in the quiz question.	
On a "line" below the molecular drawings	
of the reactants, are two more molecular	
drawings. The drawing on the left is	The student appears to be showing the loss
similar to (R)-2-bromopentane, but the Br	of bromine in an earlier (not shown) step to
is missing, along with the accompanying	form the carbocation and the Br drawn
dark wedge and 6 dots. In addition, what	below it. The student has also drawn the
was a the dashed wedge accompanying the	loss of stereochemistry accompanying the
H is now a simple line. There is a plus sign	formation of the carbocation. The
at the #2 carbon.	formation of a carbocation in an initial step
	corresponds to an $S_N 1$ reaction.
The drawing on the left is the cyanide	The negatively charged cyanide ion is
portion of the sodium cyanide shown above	attracted to the positively charged
along with a minus sign. This appears to	carbocation; the ewis base donates
be pasted from the line above. There is an	electrons to the Lewis acid.

arrow pointing to the left from the two dots next to C toward the plus sign.	
On a third "line" is a Br with 8 dots around it on the left. On the right is an arrow pointing from above and to the left, toward the lower left, in general, at two more molecular drawings.	This bromine appears to accompany the carbocation on the second line.
The first is similar to the original drawing of R)-2-bromopentane, but the Br has been replaced by an H, and the H has been replaced by the cyanide. There is a plus sign at the #2 carbon. Down and to the left is written NaBr	The products are formed. The student has correctly shown inversion of configuration, which would occur form an $S_N 2$ reaction, but racemization would occur for an $S_N 1$. The student has also balanced the equation by indicating the formation of sodium bromide. The plus sign could be a remnant of pasting the pentane from the previous line
Beneath, at the bottom of the text is written, " $S_N 1$ is slower than $S_N 2$ because carbocations are a lot of energy. Acetone promotes $S_N 2$. Thus it is faster"	The student does not draw an answer to the second question, but explains that the formation of a carbocation (separation of charge) requires more energy. The student states that acetone promotes $S_{\rm N}2$ reactions, but does not explain why.



2. The acetone makes the reaction go faster because it doesn't have the polarity of the H and O bond and therefore doesn't interfere with the substitution reaction

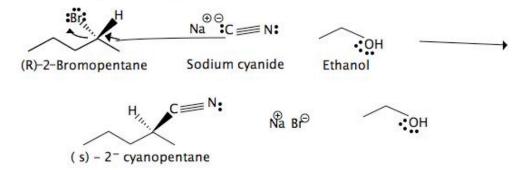
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Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
The answer to the first question is arranged	The student has shown both the possibility
in two sets of molecular diagrams	of substitution and elimination.
separated by a line shaped like a backwards	
L.	
In the grouping on the left, (R)-2-	The student appears to copy-and-paste the
bromopentane is shown on the left side of a	overall skeleton of pentane throughout the
rightward facing arrow. Sodium cyanide is	text. This copy-and-pasting could signify
shown above the arrow, and ethanol is	the student's lack of confidence in either 1)
shown below. These pictures appear to be	drawing the molecules correctly or 2) using
copied from the original pictures in the	the program correctly to draw the
quiz question, based on the placement of	molecules. Or perhaps it is an ease of use
bonds, charges, atom labels, and dots.	issue.
Below, (R)-2-bromopentane is redrawn	The student shows an S_N 2 reaction. The
along with sodium cyanide. A rightward	student's written verbal quiz response only
facing curved arrow is drawn from the	refers to substitution,

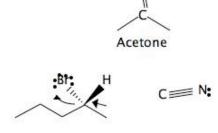
minus sign on the cyanide to the 2 nd carbon	
on bromopentane. A small curved arrow points from the 2 nd carbon upward to the bromine. The word "substitution" is written underneath the pentane. There is a small rightward facing arrow under the word "substitution"	
Under the rightward facing arrow is a picture of (S)-2-cyanopentane. To the left is a plus sign and the formula NaBr. There is a plus sign to the upper right of the Na, and a minus sign to the upper left of the Br. In addition, 4 pairs of dots are clustered around the Br.	The student includes inversion of configuration in the drawing. Inversion of configuration is also discussed in the written verbal quiz.
In the right grouping of diagrams, (R)-2-bromopentane and sodium cyanide are copied again. The pentane has been modified by drawing bonds to H on carbon 1 and 3. There are several arrows drawn between and around these diagrams. One curved arrow proceeds from the two dots on sodium cyanide downward and to the left to point at an H on carbon 1. There is a curved arrow pointing to the left from the bond between that H and the C to the 2 nd carbon. There is another arrow curving upward and to the left from the minus sign on the cyanide toward an H drawn on the 3 rd carbon. Another arrow proceeds downward from that H to the bond between carbons 2 and 3. One final arrow curves from the second carbon to the bromine on carbon 2.	The student also shows E2 elimination. There are two possibilities: elimination of a primary hydrogen atom at carbon #1, or elimination of a secondary hydrogen atom at carbon #3. The student shows both possibilities in one set of diagrams.
Under the pentane diagram is the word "elimination." Under that is a rightward facing arrow, and under the arrow is a molecular diagram of ethanol.	
Under the diagram of ethanol are 3 molecular diagrams. The first is <i>trans</i> -2-pentene. Under that and to the left is <i>cis</i> -2-pentene, and to the right is 1-pentene. The student retains the wedge shaped bond to	The student shows all possible elimination products. The incorrect retention of the wedge shaped bond to hydrogen on carbon #2 maybe a result of copy-and-pasting from the previous drawings.

an H on the 2 nd carbon in all product diagrams.	
To the left of these diagrams are two more diagrams. Above, is a molecular formula NaBr. There is a plus sign to the upper right of the Na, and a minus sign to the upper left of the Br. In addition, 4 pairs of dots are clustered around the Br. This diagram appears to be copied from the other one, based on the position of the dots and charges, and the relationship between the Na and Br symbols. Below, is a structural formula of hydrocyanic acid.	The two additional products are correctly shown.
Written below all this is: "2. The acetone makes the reaction go faster because it doesn't have the polarity of the H and O bond and therefore doesn't interfere with the substitution reaction."	The student offers a significantly more detailed answer in the written verbal quiz: "Ethanol adds the possibility of hydrogen bonding to the system through the hydroxide group. The (R)-2-bromopentane and the cyanide participate in hydrogen bonding with the ethanol which makes the reaction in 1. Less likely to happen. When the solvent is acetone, this stabilizing hydrogen-bonding does not occur, making the reaction more likely to happen. Hydrogen-bonding doesn't get in the way and keep the reactants from interacting with one another. The same reaction occurs, but it occurs faster." It is unclear why the student answers in so much more detail on the written verbal quiz than on the pictorial quiz.

1. Assuming that your audience is your peers, please draw labeled pictures to explain what occurs on the molecular level when (R)-2-bromopentane ($C_5H_1_1Br$) reacts with sodium cyanide (NaCN) using ethanol as the solvent.



2. Explain why the S_n^2 products of the reaction in $\#_1$ are formed faster if the solvent is switched to acetone.



File: wk8N,JM

Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
At the top of the text, the quiz question is retained, and the three labeled molecular drawings of (R)-2-bromopentane, sodium cyanide and ethanol are shown.	Not redrawing the molecules could signify the student's lack of confidence in either 1) drawing the molecules correctly or 2) using the program correctly to draw the molecules. Or perhaps it is an ease of use issue.
The student alters the labeled molecular drawings by drawing a leftward facing curved arrow from the cyanide carbon to the 2 nd carbon on (R)-2-bromopentane. There is another arrow curving upward from the 2 nd carbon towards the Br. A rightward facing arrow is draw to the right of these drawings.	The student shows an S_N 2 reaction.
On the next "line" below the first drawings, is drawn a molecule labeled "(s)-2-cyanopentane" in which the cyanide group	The products of the S_N 2 reaction are shown with inversion of configuration.

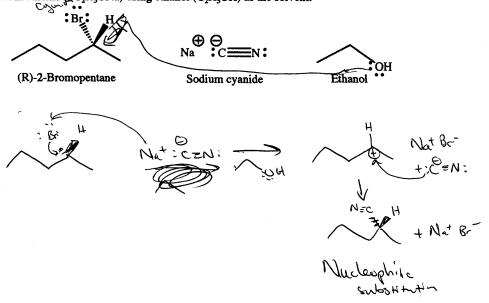
is attached to the second carbon via a wedge, and the hydrogen is now attached using a dashed line. To the right is the formula NaBr. Above the Na is a plus sign. Above and to the right of the Br is a minus sign. To the right, is ethanol, unchanged from the picture above.

The second question is shown below these drawings, along with the unchanged drawing of acetone. There are additional pictures of (R)-2-bromopentane and cyanide. The pentane is shown with two small arrows, one pointing at the 2nd carbon, and one pointing upward from the second carbon toward the Br. The cyanide has been modified by removing the electron dots and the minus sign on the C.

The student does not answer the second question. The drawings shown here appear to be the same as pieces of the drawings above. Perhaps this was the beginning of an answer to the question which the student did not finish.

TRADITIONAL GROUP

1. Assuming that your audience is your peers, please draw labeled pictures to explain what occurs on the molecular level when (R)-2-bromopentane ($C_3H_{11}Br$) reacts with sodium ethexide, (C_2H_3ONa) using ethanol (C_2H_3OH) as the solvent.



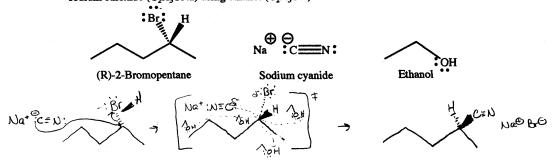
2. Explain why the S_n² products of the reaction in #1 are formed faster if the solvent is switched to acetone.

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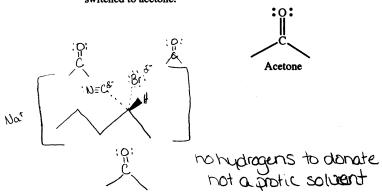
Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
The student has altered the drawings given	Given the way that the arrow is drawn, it
in the quiz question, and provided other	isn't possible to discern the student's intent
drawings in the space below. The student	with the first arrow.
has drawn an arrow from the lone pair of	
electrons on ethanol to the area of the	
hydrogen on (R)-2-bromopentane.	
However, the student has crossed out the	

The student appears to be showing a
reaction between the sodium and the
bromide but does not properly account for
electrons.
The student has drawn a carbocation at
C#2, and shown NaBr, apparently as a
product.
The student is showing a reaction between
the negatively charged CN and the
positively charged C#2.
The student shows retention of
configuration.

1. Assuming that your audience is your peers, please draw labeled pictures to explain what occurs on the molecular level when (R)-2-bromopentane (C_2H_1Br) reacts with sodium ethoxide (C_2H_2ONa) using ethanol (C_2H_3OH) as the solvent.



2. Explain why the $S_n^{\,2}$ products of the reaction in #1 are formed faster if the solvent is switched to acetone.

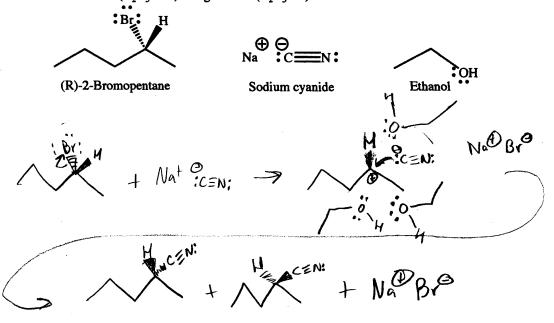


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Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
The student has redrawn (R)-2-	
bromopentane underneath the original	
drawing on the left side of the page. The	
depiction is slightly altered with the wedge	This is likely just a mistake, as the student
and H symbol being placed so that it looks	does not continue it through the rest of the
like it is coming from the Br, rather than	problem, nor does the student make the
the original location	same mistake in part 2 of the problem.
To the left of the bromopentane drawing,	The student is showing the traditional
the student has drawn sodium cyanide, in	curved arrow depiction of an S _N 2 reaction
the same way it was presented in the quiz	showing the cyanide ion attacking carbon
question. There is a curved arrow leading	#2, and the bromine is the leaving group
from the lone pair of the C in cyanide to	

carbon #2 of the bromopentane. There is another arrow drawn from carbon #2 to the bromine.	
To the right of these drawings there is an arrow pointing to a group of drawings inside brackets. The rightmost bracket has a double-dagger superscript.	The student has show the transition state of an S_N 2 reaction
Inside the brackets, the bromopentane is redrawn, however, the Br is now attached using a dotted line rather than a dashed wedge. There is also a dotted line coming from the C in cyanide (which has now been turned around to face carbon #2. A partial negative symbol (δ) is placed next to the Br and next to the C of cyanide. Small depictions of ethanol are drawn around the bromopentane molecule with small dotted lines drawn between the ethanol and bromopentane.	The student has shown the transition state with the forming C-C bond and the breaking C-Br bond. However the student has not accounted for the inversion of configuration of the stereochemistry in this drawing as carbon #2 is not planar. The H is still drawn with a wedge. The student has attempted to depict solvation by ethanol. The ethanol molecules are drawn considerably smaller than the bromopentane. It is not clear if the student believes that ethanol is really that much smaller than the bromopentane or if the student is just forgrounding the changes going on with the reactants and making the solvation less salient.
To the right of the brackets is another right-pointing arrow. To the right of this arrow is a depiction of (S)-2-cyanopentane. To the right of the (S)-2-cyanopentane is a drawing of sodium bromide using elemental symbols and charges.	The student has properly drawn the results of an $S_{\rm N}2$ reaction.

1. Assuming that your audience is your peers, please draw labeled pictures to explain what occurs on the molecular level when (R)-2-bromopentane ($C_5H_{11}Br$) reacts with sodium ethoxide (C_2H_5ONa) using ethanol (C_2H_5OH) as the solvent.

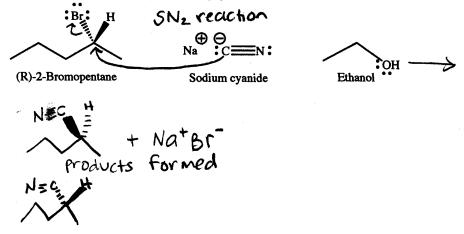


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Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
On the left side of the paper, the student	The student appears to be indicating that
has redrawn (R)-2-bromopentane. There is	the bromine leaves the pentane molecule
a curved arrow pointing upward from the	
bond between the Br and C#2 toward the	
Br.	
To the right of the drawing of	
bromopentane is a "+" sign and sodium	
cyanide is redrawn with the charges	
indicated. To the right of this is a	
rightward pointing arrow.	
To the right of the arrow the student has	The student is indicating an S_N 1 reaction in
drawn a pentane molecule. The Br is gone,	which the bromine leaves (previous step)
and the H is now bonded with a line instead	and the cyanide acts as a nucleophile.
of a dashed wedge. There is a "+" at C#2.	
The molecule has several drawings of	
ethanol around it, pointed so that the lone	
pair electrons are arranged near C#2.	
There is a cyanide ion drawn and an arrow	
is pointing from the lone pair on the	
cyanide C to C#2. To the right of these	
drawings, NaBr, with appropriate charges	
is drawn.	

There is a large arrow that points to the	Indicating products.
beginning (the left) of the next line.	
3 drawings on this line, from left to right:	The student draws products for the
(R)-2-cyanopentane, (S)-cyanopentane, and	retention and inversion of configuration.
NaBr are drawn.	

1. Assuming that your audience is your peers, please draw labeled pictures to explain what occurs on the molecular level when (R)-2-bromopentane ($C_3H_{11}Br$) reacts with sodium ethoxide (C_2H_5ONa) using ethanol (C_2H_5OH) as the solvent.



2. Explain why the $S_n^{\ 2}$ products of the reaction in #1 are formed faster if the solvent is switched to acetone.



ethanol is a more polar solvent, acetone doesn't isplit up the the sodium cyanide as much and if the sodium cyanide has 2 ions with distinct charges, it is more lively to react with the (R)-2-Bromopentane.

File: wk8DB,ES

Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
The student has modified the structural	The student has drawn the traditional
drawings printed with the quiz question.	curved arrows indicating an S _N 2 reaction
The student has drawn an arrow from the C	between cyanide ions as the nucleophile
on the cyanide ion to C#2 on the	and the bromopentane, with Br as the
bromopentane structure. There is an	leaving group
additional arrow drawn from C#2 to the	
bromine. There is a label above the	
cyanide, " S_N 2 reaction." To the right of the	

drawing of ethanol is a right pointing	
arrow.	
In the space provided, below the drawings	The student has drawn the products, but
of bromopentane, sodium cyanide, and	included the product resulting form
ethanol, the student has drawn 3 structures.	retention of configuration, which does not
The first is a structure of (S)-2-	happen in an S_N 2 reaction as labeled.
cyanopentane. To the right of this	
structure, separated by a "+" sign is drawn	
NaBr with charges included. Below these	
drawings is written, "products formed."	
Below that label is drawn a picture of (R)-	
2-cyanopentane.	

1. Assuming that your audience is your peers, please draw labeled pictures to explain what occurs on the molecular level when (R)-2-bromopentane ($C_3H_{11}Br$) reacts with sodium etherate (C_2H_3ONa) using ethanol (C_2H_3OH) as the solvent.

File wk8DB,KK

Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
The student has modified the drawings	The student appears to have shown the
already present in the printed quiz question.	general curved arrow mechanism of an S _N 2
In addition, the student has written several	reaction on the quiz question itself, then
structures below the quiz question in the	provided more details below that.
space provided	
Using the structures provided in the quiz	The student has drawn the traditional
question, the student has drawn a curved	curved arrow mechanism for an S _N 2
arrow from the C of CN to carbon #2 on	reaction with the cyanide ion as the
(R)-2-bromopentane. The student has	nucleophile attacking C#2 and Br as the
drawn another curved arrow from carbon	leaving group
#2 to the bromine	
In a "line" below the structures drawn for	The student is showing the reactants in the
the quiz question, the student has, on the	traditional fashion
left side, redrawn (R)-2-bromopentane and	
labeled it as such. To the right of this	
structure, is a right pointing arrow over	
which is drawn the structure for sodium	
cyanide. Under the arrow is drawn the	
structure for ethanol which is labeled with	
the word "(solvent)"	
To the right of the arrow is a structure	The student has shown the transition state
drawn inside brackets. The right bracket	with the forming C-C bond and the
has a "double-dagger" superscript. Inside	breaking C-Br bond. However the student
the brackets, the bromopentane is redrawn,	has not accounted for the inversion of
however, the Br is now attached using a	configuration of the stereochemistry in this

dotted line rather than a dashed wedge.	drawing as carbon #2 is not planar. The H
There is also a dotted line coming from the	is still drawn with a wedge.
C in cyanide (which has now been turned	
around to face carbon #2. A partial	
negative symbol (δ) is placed next to the	
Br and next to the C of cyanide. This	
drawing is labeled "transition state."	
To the right of the brackets is a right	The student has drawn one of the possible
pointing arrow and the structure of (S)-2-	products of this reaction along with the
cyanopentane is drawn along with a	remaining spectator ions. The name (S)-2-
structure of NaBr including charges, and	bromopentane does not appear to be a label
the name (s)-2-bromopentane is written.	for the drawing of the cyanopentane, but
The structure of ethanol is redrawn.	instead seems to indicate another possible
	product.

ADVANCED GROUP

1. Assuming that your audience is your peers, please draw labeled pictures to explain what occurs on the molecular level when (R)-2-bromopentane (C_5H_11Br) reacts with sodium cyanide (NaCN) using ethanol as the solvent.

2. Explain why the S $_{\rm n}^2$ products of the reaction in $\#_1$ are formed faster if the solvent is switched to acetone.

This reaction, which slows down the overall reaction, does not occur if acetone is used

file: wk8AdvSR

Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
In the space below the quiz, it appears that	The student shows an S_N^2 reaction.
the student has redrawn (R)-2-	
bromopentane, or modified the original	
drawing by removing one set of electrons	
from the bromine atom. However, the	
student may have simply recopied the	
molecular drawing and missed one set of	
electrons. Underneath the (R)-2-	
bromopentane, the student has drawn a	
cyanide ion, without a negative charge. An	
arrow is pointing upward from the electron	
pair on the carbon atom of cyanide towards	
the second carbon. Two additional arrows	
are drawn from the bond between the 2 nd	
carbon and the bromine atom pointing	
toward the bromine atom.	

To the right of these drawings is a right facing arrow.	
To the right of the arrow is a structure drawn which looks like a modified version of (R) bromopentane. However, the cyanide group is now attached at the 2 nd carbon. Carbon one is now shown to be pointing into the plane of the paper using the dashed wedge convention, the hydrogen is in the plane of the paper using a solid bond, and the cyanide group is shown pointing out of the plane of the paper using a dark wedge. The stereochemistry of the 2 nd carbon is not specified because the drawing is non-standard: the dashed bond and dark wedge are on opposite sides of the in-plane bonds. To the right of this structure is a large plus sign.	The student shows a product of an $S_{\rm N}2$ reaction but the stereochemistry is ambiguous because the drawing does not follow typical drawing conventions.
An Na with a plus sign is shown to the left of a Br symbol with 8 dots and a negative sign.	Sodium bromide is another product of the reaction
Below question 2, the student has drawn the structure of ethanol. Using a structural drawing which omits atom labels except for the O and H of the alcohol group. To the right of this structure, the student has copied the cyanide ion from the quiz question. An arrow is drawn from the electron pair on the cyanide carbon toward the H of the alcohol group. Two additional arrows are shown pointing from the bond between O and H, toward the O	The student shows deprotonation of alcohol by cyanide ions.
To the right of these structures is a right facing arrow	
Above and slightly to the right of the arrow is a copy of the ethanol structure. However, 6 electron dots have been added, the bond between the O and H, as well as the H, have been deleted, and a negative charge has been added. To the right of this	The student draws the products of a deprotonation of ethanol by sodium cyanide: sodium ethoxide and hydrocyanic acid. The student writes, "This reaction, which

structure is an Na with a positive charge. Below and to the right of this structure is the cyanide ion however, the electron pair on the carbon has been deleted as has the negative charge. Instead a bond is drawn from the carbon to an H.	slows down the overall reaction, does not occur if acetone is used.
The acetone structure drawn on the quiz has been moved to the right, out of the way of the answer.	

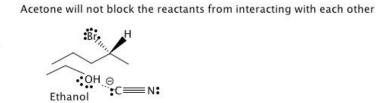
1. Assuming that your audience is your peers, please draw labeled pictures to explain what occurs on the molecular level when (R)-2-bromopentane (C_5H_1 ₁Br) reacts with sodium cyanide (NaCN) using ethanol as the solvent.

2. Explain why the S_n^2 products of the reaction in $\#_1$ are formed faster if the solvent is switched to acetone.

•Q:

Acetone will not block the reactants from interest.

Acetone



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Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
In the space below the quiz, it appears that the student has copied the original drawing of (R)-2-bromopentane. Underneath the (R)-2-bromopentane, it appears that the student has copied the cyanide ion. An arrow is pointing upward from the electron pair on the carbon atom of cyanide towards the second carbon. An additional arrow is drawn from the bond between the 2 nd carbon and the bromine atom pointing past the bromine atom.	The student shows an S_N2 reaction.
To the right of these drawings is a right facing arrow.	
To the right of the arrow is a copy of the (R)-2-bromopentane with several changes. The dashed wedge between the 2 nd carbon and the bromine has become a dotted line. Another dotted line is drawn between the 2 nd carbon of the pentane and the carbon of the cyanide.	The S_N 2 transition state is shown.

To the right of these drawings is a right facing arrow. The pentane structure is recopied with changes. The bromine is now gone and there is a bold wedge between the 2 nd carbon and the cyanide carbon atom. The hydrogen is now moved upwards and is drawn with a solid line. The bond to the carbon atom is overlaid with a dashed wedge. Above this structure is a Br with 8 dots and a negative charge.	The student has drawn (S)-2-cyanopentane as a product along with the bromide ion.
Underneath the second question the (R)-2-bromopentane is copied. Below that drawing, the structure of ethanol is copied with its label, and the picture of the cyanide ion with its negative charge and electrons. A dotted line is drawn between the carbon of the cyanide and the hydrogen of the ethanol.	The student writes, "Acetone will not block the reactants from interacting with each other." It appears that the student is drawing an interaction between the cyanide ion and the ethanol, which interferes with the interaction between the cyanide ion and (R)-2-bromopentane.

1. Assuming that your audience is your peers, please draw labeled pictures to explain what occurs on the molecular level when (R)-2-bromopentane (C_5H_11Br) reacts with sodium cyanide (NaCN) using ethanol as the solvent.

2. Explain why the S_n^2 products of the reaction in $\#_1$ are formed faster if the solvent is switched to acetone.

Acetone won't react with any of the reactants, but ethanol could react with the reactants.

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Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
The student modifies the drawings on the	The student shows an S_N^2 reaction.
quiz question by drawing an arrow from	
the cyanide carbon to the 2^{nd} carbon of (R)-	
2-bromopentane. Another arrow is drawn	
from the bond between the 2 nd carbon and	
the bromine of (R)-2-bromopentane	
pointing past the bromine.	
A downward pointing arrow points from	
the between the (R)-2-bromopentane and	
the sodium cyanide.	
Below the arrow, the student has drawn	The student shows the products of the $S_N 2$
(S)-2-cyanopentane. To the right of the	reaction as (S)-2-cyanopentane and sodium
(S)-2-cyanopentane is a large plus sign. To	chloride. The student writes, "Acetone
the right of the plus sign is an Na with a	won't react with any of the reactants, but
positive charge, and to the right of that, a	ethanol could react with the reactants. For
Cl with a negative charge.	Example"
Underneath the second question the student	The student shows the deprotonated of
has drawn ethanol structure including the	ethanol by the cyanide ion
bond between the hydrogen and the oxygen	

(which are labeled) and included 4 dots around the oxygen. To the right of this drawing is the cyanide ion, with a negative charge on the carbon and two dots. However, the dots are missing from the nitrogen. An arrow is drawn from the cyanide carbon to the H on the ethanol OH. Above the cyanide is an Na with a positive charge.	
To the right of these drawings is a right	
facing arrow.	
To the right, and slightly above the arrow is the cyanide ion however, the electron pair on the carbon has been deleted as has the negative charge. Instead a bond is drawn from the carbon to an H. Below and slightly to the right of the arrow is a copy of the ethanol structure. However, 6 electron dots have been added, the bond between the O and H, as well as the H have been deleted, and a negative charge has been added. To the right of this structure is an Na with a positive charge.	The student shows the products of the deprotonation of ethanol by cyanide: hydrocyanic acid and sodium ethoxide.

TEXTBOOK INSCRIPTIONS

The nucleophile ⁻OH uses its lonepair electrons to attack the alkyl halide carbon 180° away from the departing halogen. This leads to a transition state with a partially formed C-OH bond and a partially broken C-Br bond.

The stereochemistry at carbon is inverted as the C-OH bond forms fully and the bromide ion departs with the electron pair from the former C-Br bond.

$$H\ddot{\ddot{\bigcirc}}:=H\overset{CH_3}{\searrow}C\overset{Br}{\longrightarrow}CH_2CH_3$$

(S)-2-Bromobutane

$$\begin{bmatrix} & & & \\ & & & \\ \delta^- & & & \delta^- \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\$$

Transition state

$$H_3C$$
 H_3C
 CH_2CH_3
 H_3C
 H_3

(R)-2-Butanol

Figure 11.3 The mechanism of the S_N2 reaction. The reaction takes place in a single step when the incoming nucleophile approaches from a direction 180° away from the departing halide ion. The stereochemistry at carbon is inverted from S in the starting material to R in the product.

File: McMurray SN2(legend).jpg McMurry, J. (1992). *Organic Chemistry* (3rd ed.). Belmont, CA: Brooks/Cole Publishing Co., p. 365.

Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation

The entire drawing is written as a series of 3 pictures drawn vertically. On the right side of the figure are the drawings, and on the left side are two sections of descriptive text.	
The first set of text reads, "The nucleophile -OH uses its lone-pair electrons to attack the alkyl halide carbon 180° away from the departing halogen. This leads to a transition state with a partially formed C-OH bond and a partially broken C-Br bond."	
The second set of text reads, "The stereochemistry at carbon is inverted as the C-OH bond forms fully and the bromide ion departs with the electron pair from the former C-Br bond."	
The caption reads, "The mechanism of the $S_N 2$ reaction. The reaction takes place in a single step when the incoming nucleophile approaches from a direction 180° away from the departing halide ion. The stereochemistry at carbon is inverted from S in the starting material to R in the product."	
The top picture is a blue hydroxide ion indicated by an HO. The O has 6 dots around it and a negative charge.	Hydroxide anion
To the right of the HO is a carbon atom with 4 attached groups, an H, a CH ₃ , and a CH ₂ CH ₃ , and a pink Br. Stereochemistry is indicated. The compound is labeled (S)-2-bromobutane.	(S)-2-bromobutane
Below the (S)-2-bromobutane is a downward pointing arrow.	yields
Below the arrow is a blue hydroxide group indicated by an HO connected with a dotted line to the C of the 2-bromobutane. The pink Br is now connected to the C with a dotted line and the other groups have shifted to the right of the picture. There is a blue δ- above the blue HO and a blue δ- above the pink Br. There are two large	A transition state where the geometry around the central carbon is in the process of inverting while bond making and bond breaking take place. The hydroxide anion is becoming less negative as it donates electrons to the carbon and the bromide anion is becoming more negative as it leaves

brackets surrounding the picture and "‡"	
symbol. Below the drawing is the label	
"Transition state".	
Below the "Transition state" drawing is a	Yields
downward facing arrow.	
Below the arrow is a carbon atom with 4	(R)-2-butanol
attached groups, an H, a CH ₃ , and a	
CH_2CH_3 , and a blue OH on the left side.	
Stereochemistry is indicated. The	
compound is labeled "(R)-2-Butanol".	
To the right of the (R)-2-Butanol is a plus	and
sign.	
To the right of the plus sign is a pink Br	Bromide anion
with a negative charge.	
There is a blue, curved, right facing that	The oxygen atom of the hydroxide anion
extends from the O of the first hydroxide	attacks the carbon atom of (S)-2-
anion toward the C of the carbon group.	bromobutane.
There is a pink, curved, right facing arrow	The bromide anion leaves (S)-2-
which extends from the line between the	bromobutane.
carbon group and Br toward the Br.	

HO

$$CH_3$$
 HO
 CH_3
 HO
 CH_3
 HO
 CH_2CH_3
 CH_2CH_3
 CH_2CH_3
 (S) -2-Bromobutane

 (R) -2-Butanol

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SN2 mechanism without transition state. Based on McMurry, J. (1992). Organic

Chemistry (3rd ed.). Belmont, CA: Brooks/Cole Publishing Co., p. 365.

Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
The entire drawing is written a series of 2	
pictures drawn horizontally.	
On the far left is a picture of a blue	Hydroxide anion
hydroxide ion indicated by an HO. The O	
has 6 dots around it and a negative charge.	
To the right of the HO is a carbon atom	(S)-2-bromobutane
with 4 attached groups, an H, a CH ₃ , and a	
CH ₂ CH ₃ , and a pink Br. Stereochemistry is	
indicated. The compound is labeled (S)-2-	
bromobutane.	
To the right of the (S)-2-bromobutane is a	yields
rightward pointing arrow.	
To the right of the the arrow is a carbon	(R)-2-butanol
atom with 4 attached groups, an H, a CH ₃ ,	
and a CH ₂ CH ₃ , and a blue OH on the left	
side. Stereochemistry is indicated. The	
compound is labeled "(R)-2-Butanol".	
To the right of the (R)-2-Butanol is a plus	and
sign.	
To the right of the plus sign is a pink Br	Bromide anion
with a negative charge.	
There is a blue, curved, right facing that	The oxygen atom of the hydroxide anion
extends from the O of the first hydroxide	attacks the carbon atom of (S)-2-
anion toward the C of the carbon group.	bromobutane.
There is a pink, curved, right facing arrow	The bromide anion leaves (S)-2-
which extends from the line between the	bromobutane.
carbon group and Br toward the Br.	

$$CH_3$$
 H
 CH_3
 H
 CH_3
 H
 CH_3
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 H
 CH_3
 H
 CH_3
 H
 CH_2
 CH_2
 CH_2
 CH_2
 CH_3
 (R) -2-Butanol

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SN1-like mechanism with intermediate but without transition state. Based on McMurry, J. (1992). *Organic Chemistry* (3rd ed.). Belmont, CA: Brooks/Cole Publishing Co., p. 365.

Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
The entire drawing is written a series of 3	
pictures drawn horizontally.	
On the far right is a carbon atom with 4	(S)-2-bromobutane
attached groups, an H, a CH ₃ , and a	
CH ₂ CH ₃ , and a pink Br. Stereochemistry is	
indicated. The compound is labeled (S)-2-	
bromobutane.	
To the right of the (S)-2-bromobutane is a	yields
rightward pointing arrow.	
To the right of the arrow is a blue	Hydroxide anion
hydroxide ion indicated by an HO. The O	
has 6 dots around it and a negative charge.	
To the right of the HO is a carbon atom	Carbocation intermediate
with 3 attached groups, an H, a CH ₃ , and a	
CH ₂ CH ₃ . There is a positive charge next to	
the carbon atom. Planar geometry is	
indicated.	
To the right of the carbocation is a	yields
rightward pointing arrow.	
To the right of the arrow is a carbon atom	(R)-2-butanol
with 4 attached groups, an H, a CH ₃ , and a	
CH_2CH_3 , and a blue OH on the left side.	
Stereochemistry is indicated. The	
compound is labeled "(R)-2-Butanol."	
To the right of the (R)-2-Butanol is a plus	and
sign.	
To the right of the plus sign is a pink Br	Bromide anion
with a negative charge.	
There is a pink, curved, right facing arrow	The bromide anion leaves (S)-2-
which extends from the line between the	bromobutane.
carbon group and Br toward the Br.	
There is a blue, curved, right facing that	The oxygen atom of the hydroxide anion
extends from the O of the first hydroxide	attacks the carbon atom of the carbocation.

anion toward the C of the carbon group.	

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_{3} \\ \text{H} \\ \text{CH}_{3} \\ \text{CH}_{2} \\ \text{CH}_{3} \\ \text{CH}_{3} \\ \text{CH}_{2} \\ \text{CH}_{3} \\ \text{CH}_{3} \\ \text{CH}_{2} \\ \text{CH}_{3} \\ \text{CH}_{4} \\ \text{CH}_{3} \\ \text{CH}_{2} \\ \text{CH}_{3} \\ \text{CH}_{3} \\ \text{CH}_{4} \\ \text{CH}_{4} \\ \text{CH}_{5} \\ \text{CH}_{6} \\ \text{CH$$

File: SN1-SN2mockups.cdx

SN1-like mechanism with intermediate and transition states. Based on McMurry, J. (1992). *Organic Chemistry* (3rd ed.). Belmont, CA: Brooks/Cole Publishing Co., p. 365.

Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
The entire drawing is written a series of 5	
pictures drawn horizontally.	
On the far right is a carbon atom with 4	(S)-2-bromobutane
attached groups, an H, a CH ₃ , and a	
CH ₂ CH ₃ , and a pink Br. Stereochemistry is	
indicated. The compound is labeled (S)-2-	
bromobutane.	
To the right of the (S)-2-bromobutane is a	yields
rightward facing arrow.	
To the right of the arrow is carbon atom	A transition state where the geometry
with 4 attached groups, an H, a CH ₃ , and a	around the central carbon is in the process
CH_2CH_3 , and a pink Br. The pink Br is	of inverting while bond breaking takes
now connected to the C with a dotted line	place. The carbon atom is becoming more
and the other groups have shifted to the	positive as it donates electrons to the
right of the picture. There is a δ + next to	bromine atom and the bromide anion is
the carbon atom and a blue δ - above the	becoming more negative as it leaves
pink Br. There are two large brackets	
surrounding the picture and "‡" symbol.	
Below the drawing is the label "Transition	
state."	
To the right of the "Transition state"	yields
drawing is a rightward facing arrow.	
To the right of the arrow is a picture of a	Hydroxide anion
blue hydroxide ion indicated by an HO.	
The O has 6 dots around it and a negative	
charge.	
To the right of the HO is a carbon atom	Carbocation intermediate
with 3 attached groups, an H, a CH ₃ , and a	
CH ₂ CH ₃ . There is a positive charge next to	
the carbon atom. Planar geometry is	
indicated.	
To the right of the carbon atom with 3	yields
attached groups is a rightward facing	
arrow.	
To the right of the arrow is carbon atom	A transition state where the geometry
with 4 attached groups, an H, a CH ₃ , and a	around the central carbon is in the process

	,
CH_2CH_3 , and a blue HO. The blue HO is	of inverting while bond breaking takes
now connected to the C with a dotted line	place. The carbon atom is becoming less
and the other groups have shifted to the	positive as it accepts electrons from the
right of the picture. There is a δ + next to	hydroxide anion and the hydroxide anion is
the carbon atom and a blue δ - above the	becoming less negative as it forms a bond
blue HO. There are two large brackets	with the carbon atom.
surrounding the picture and "‡" symbol.	
Below the drawing is the label "Transition	
state."	
To the right of the "Transition state"	yields
drawing is a rightward facing arrow.	
To the right of the arrow is a carbon atom	(R)-2-butanol
with 4 attached groups, an H, a CH ₃ , and a	
CH_2CH_3 , and a blue OH on the left side.	
Stereochemistry is indicated. The	
compound is labeled "(R)-2-Butanol".	
To the right of the (R)-2-Butanol is a plus	and
sign.	
To the right of the plus sign is a pink Br	Bromide anion
with a negative charge.	
There is a pink, curved, right facing arrow	The bromide anion leaves (S)-2-
which extends from the line between the	bromobutane.
carbon group and Br toward the Br.	
There is a blue, curved, right facing that	The oxygen atom of the hydroxide anion
extends from the O of the first hydroxide	attacks the carbon atom of the carbocation.
anion toward the C of the carbon group.	

Spontaneous dissociation of the alkyl bromide occurs in a slow, rate-limiting step to generate a carbocation intermediate plus bromide ion.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CH_3 \\ H_3C - C - Br \\ CH_3 \\ \hline \\ \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \operatorname{CH_3} \\ | \\ | \\ \operatorname{C-C^+} \\ | \\ \operatorname{CH_3} \\ \vdots \\ \operatorname{OH_2} \\ \operatorname{Carbocation} \end{array}$$

The carbocation intermediate reacts with water as nucleophile in a fast step to yield protonated alcohol as product.

Fast step

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CH_3 & H \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ H_3C - C - O^+ \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ CH_3 & H \\ \hline & \vdots \\ OH_2 \\ \end{array}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \text{CH}_3 \\ \downarrow \\ \text{H}_3\text{C} - \begin{matrix} \text{C} \\ - \begin{matrix} \text{OH} \end{matrix} + \begin{matrix} \text{H}_3\text{O}^+ \end{matrix} \end{matrix}$$

Loss of proton from the protonated alcohol intermediate then gives the neutral alcohol product.

Figure 11.10 The mechanism of the S_N1 reaction of 2-bromo-2-methylpropane with water. Three steps are involved, with the first one rate-limiting.

McMurry, J. (1992). *Organic Chemistry* (3rd ed.). Belmont, CA: Brooks/Cole Publishing Co., p. 365.

Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
The entire drawing is written a series of 4	
pictures drawn vertically. On the right side	
of the figure are the drawings, and on the	
left side are three sections of text, written	
descriptions.	
The first section of text reads,	
"Spontaneous dissociation of the alkyl	
bromide occurs in a slow, rate-limiting step	

to generate a carbocation intermediate plus bromide ion."	
The second section of text reads, "The carbocation intermediate reacts with water as nucleophile in a fast step to yield protonated alcohol as product."	
The third section of text reads, "Loss of proton from the protonated alcohol intermediate then gives the neutral alcohol product."	
The caption reads, "The mechanism of the $S_N 1$ reaction of 2-bromo-2-methylpropane with water. Three steps are involved, with the first one rate-limiting."	
The top picture is a carbon atom connected with 3 lines to 3 CH ₃ groups and one pink Br.	2-bromo-2-methylpropane
Below the first drawing is a set of downward facing equilibrium arrows labeled "Rate-limiting step" in blue.	Yields in a rate-limiting step
Below the arrows is a carbon atom connected with 3 lines to 3 CH ₃ groups and a positive charge on the C. This structure is labeled "carbocation." Below the carbocation is a blue OH ₂ with electrons around the O. This drawing and the one below it are contained within brackets.	The carbocation is an intermediate. The carbocation reacts with water.
To the right of the carbon atom connected with 3 lines to 3 CH ₃ groups and a positive charge on the C is a plus sign	and
To the right of the plus sign is pink Br with a negative charge.	Bromide anion
Below the carbocation is a set of downward facing equilibrium arrows labeled "Fast step" in pink.	Yields in a fast step.
Below the equilibrium arrows is a carbon atom connected with 3 lines to 3 CH ₃ groups and one blue O. The O is connected with two blue lines to two blue H's and has a blue positive charge. Below this drawing is a green OH ₂ with 2 sets of	Protonated 2-methylpropanol cation intermediate reacts with water
electrons. Below the propanol intermediate is a set of	yields
FF	1 -

downward facing equilibrium arrows.	
Below the equilibrium arrows is a carbon	2-methylpropanol
atom connected with 3 lines to 3 CH ₃	
groups and one blue OH.	
To the right of the carbon atom connected	and
with 3 lines to 3 CH ₃ groups and one blue	
OH is a plus sign.	
To the right of the plus sign is a green H ₃ O	Hydronium cation.
with a positive charge	
There is a pink, curved, right facing arrow	The bromide atom leaves in a heterolytic
that extends from the C of the carbon group	cleavage
toward the pink Br.	
There is a blue, curved, left facing arrow	Water reacts with the carbocation
that extends from the blue OH ₂ toward the	
C of the carbocation intermediate.	
There is a blue, curved, left facing arrow	The cation is deprotonated
that extends from the line between the O	
and one of the blue H's on the second	
intermediate toward the O.	
There is a green, curved, left facing arrow	Water deprotonates the second intermediate
that extends from the green OH ₂ toward	
one of the blue H's on the second	
intermediate	

$$H\ddot{O}$$
: + CH_3 $-\ddot{B}$; \longrightarrow CH_3 $-OH$ + $:\dot{B}$;

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Bruice, P. Y. (1998). Organic Chemistry (2nd ed.). Upper Saddle River, NJ: Simon &

Schuster, p 361.

Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
The entire drawing is written as an	Hydroxide anion
equation on one line. On the left most side	
of the picture is a hydroxide ion indicated	
by HO. The O has 6 dots around it and a	
negative charge.	
To the right of the hydroxide ion is a plus	and
sign.	
To the right of the plus sign is a methyl	Methyl bromide
group indicated by CH ₃ . A line is drawn	
between the CH ₃ and a Br. The Br has six	
dots around it.	
To the right of the methyl bromide is right	yields
facing arrow.	
To the right of the arrow is a methyl group	Methanol
indicated by CH ₃ . A line is drawn between	
the CH ₃ and OH.	
To the right of the OH is a plus sign.	and
To the right of the plus sign is a bromine	Bromide anion
ion indicated by Br. There are 8 dots	
around it and a negative charge.	
There is a red, curved, right facing arrow,	The oxygen atom of the hydroxide anion is
which extends from the O of the first	shown attacking the carbon atom of methyl
hydroxide ion toward the C of the first	bromide.
methyl group.	
There is a red, curved, right facing arrow	The bromide anion leaves methyl bromide.
which extends from the line between the	
methyl group and Br toward the Br.	

S_N 2 Reaction (for example, LG = Cl, Br, I)

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Fox, M. A., & Whitesell, J. K. (2004). *Organic Chemistry* (3rd ed.). Sudbury, MA: Jones and Bartlett, p 372.

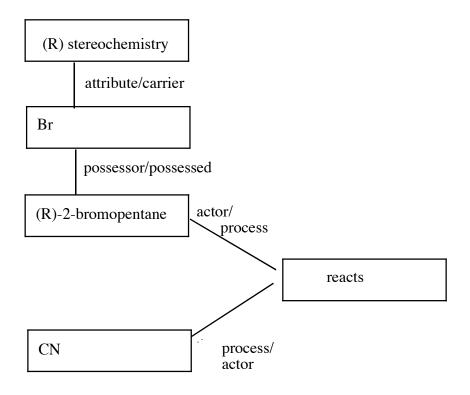
Verbal Transcription	Translation/Interpretation
At the top of the drawing are the words,	The reaction is labeled as S_N2 , and the LG
" S_N 2 Reaction (for example, LG = Cl, Br,	is shown as a placeholder for Cl, Br, or I
[I)	groups.
The entire drawing is written as an	Negatively charged nucleophile with a lone
equation on one line. On the left most side	pair of electrons.
of the picture is the abbreviation "Nuc" in	
blue. The "Nuc" has 2 dots to the left of it	
and a negative charge.	
To the right of the "Nuc" is a carbon atom	A general methyl, 1°, or 2° carbon group is
with 4 substituents: two are R groups, one	shown with tetrahedral geometry.
is an H group and one is an "LG" group,	
shown on the left side of the carbon. The C	
is shown with tetrahedral geometry. The C	
is red.	
To the right of the methyl bromide is right	yields
facing arrow.	
To the right of the arrow is a carbon atom	The nucleophile has replaced the leaving
with 4 substituents: two are R groups, one	group and the tetrahedral geometry has
is an H group and one is a blue "Nuc"	inverted.
group, which is shown on the right side of	
the carbon. The C is shown with	
tetrahedral stereochemistry.	
To the right of the carbon group is a plus	and
sign.	
To the right of the plus sign is the	Negatively charged leaving group with a
abbreviation "LG". There are 2 dots to the	lone pair of electrons.
right of it and a negative charge.	
There is a blue, curved, right facing arrow	The nucleophile attacks the carbon atom of
that extends from the dots on the "Nuc"	the carbon group.
toward the C on the right side of the	

equation.	
There is a blue, curved, right facing arrow	The leaving group leaves.
which extends from the line between the	
carbon and the "LG" toward the LG.	

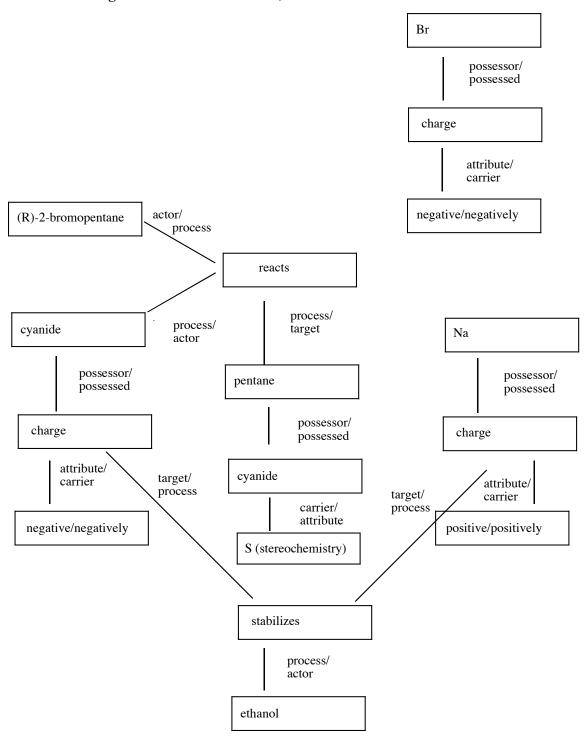
APPENDIX B: THEMATIC MAPS

CHEMSENSE GROUP PICTORIAL THEMATIC MAPS

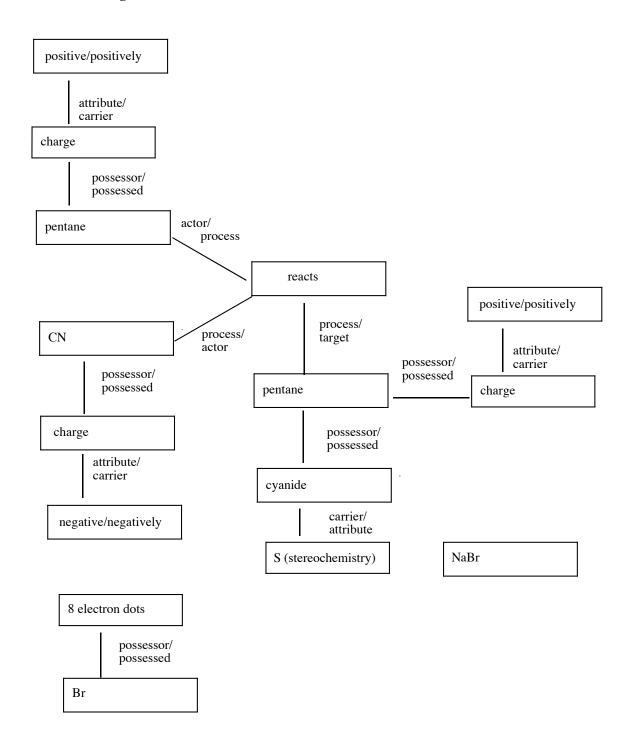
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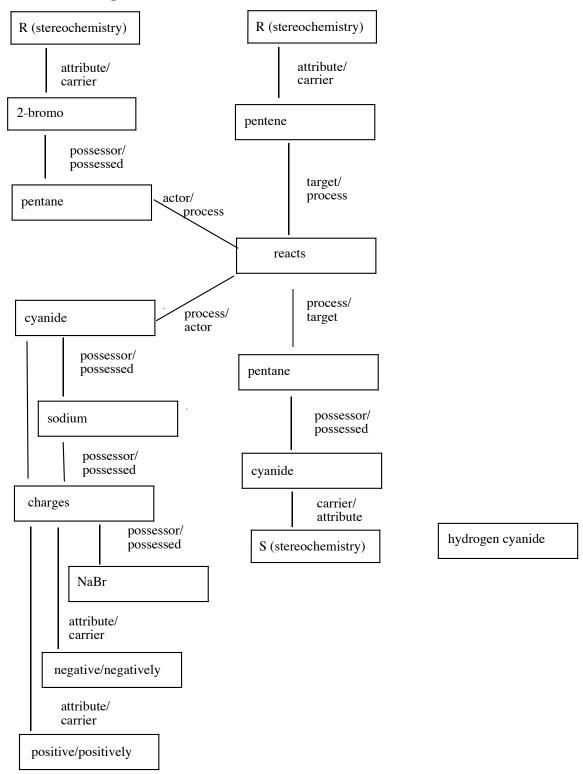
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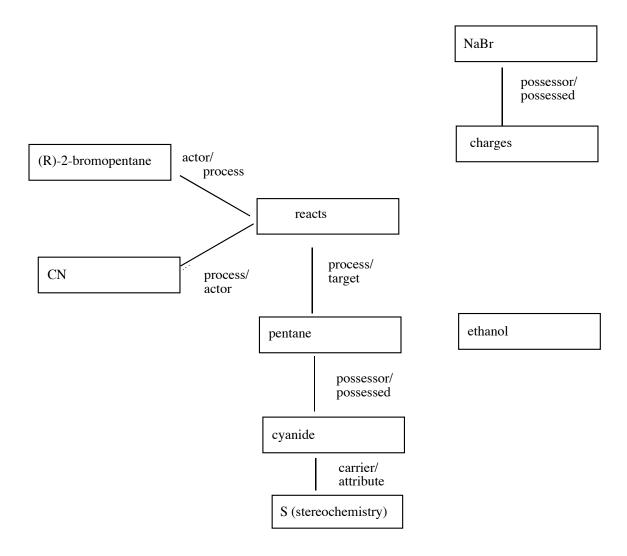
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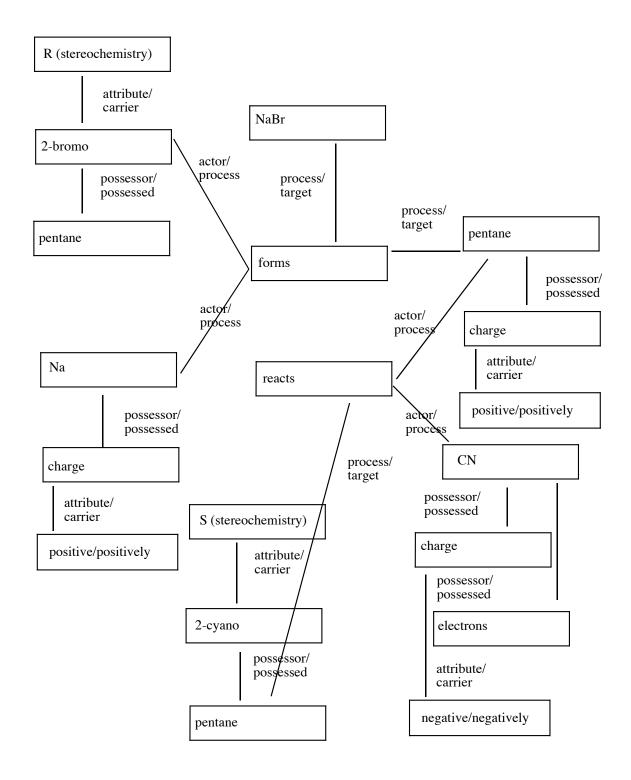


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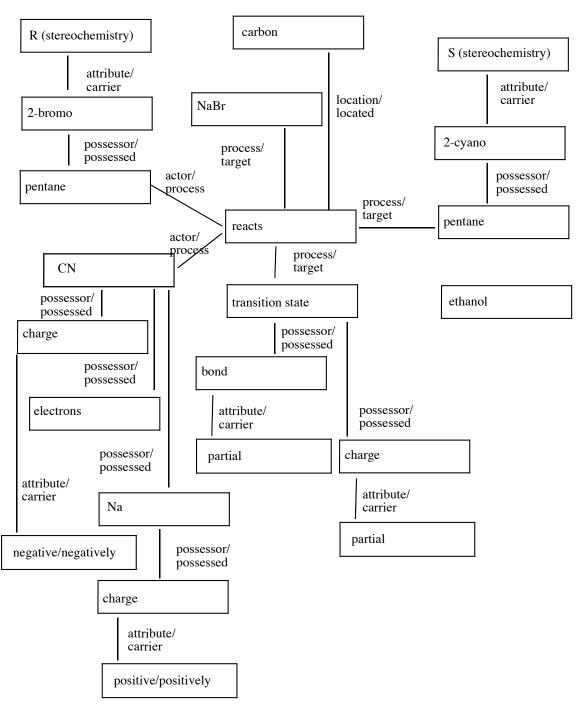


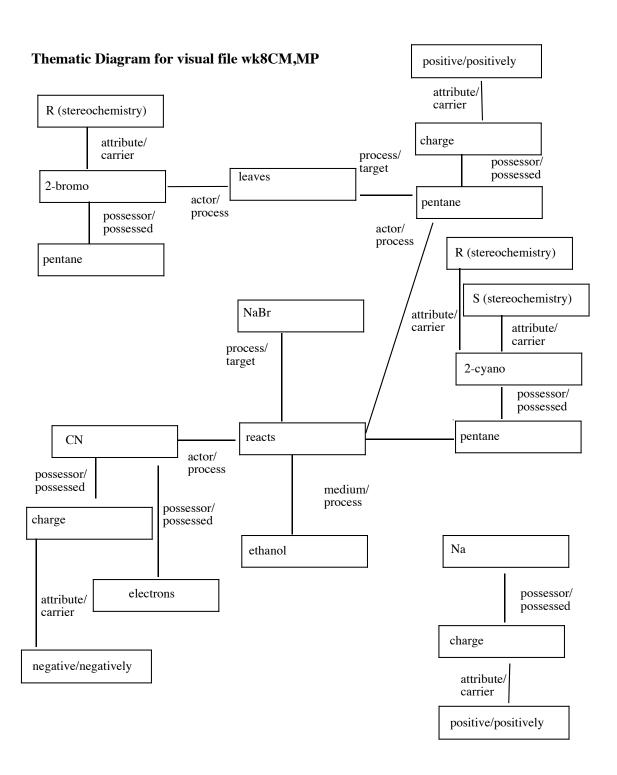
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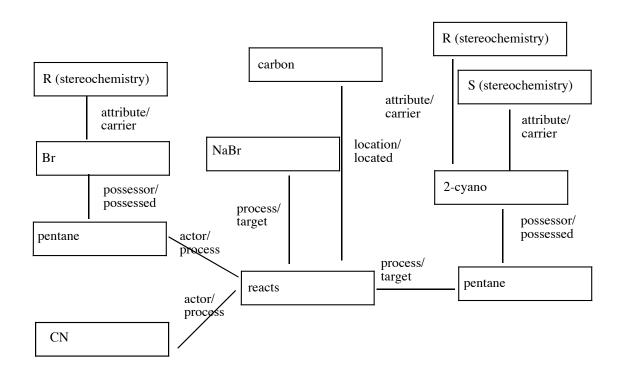


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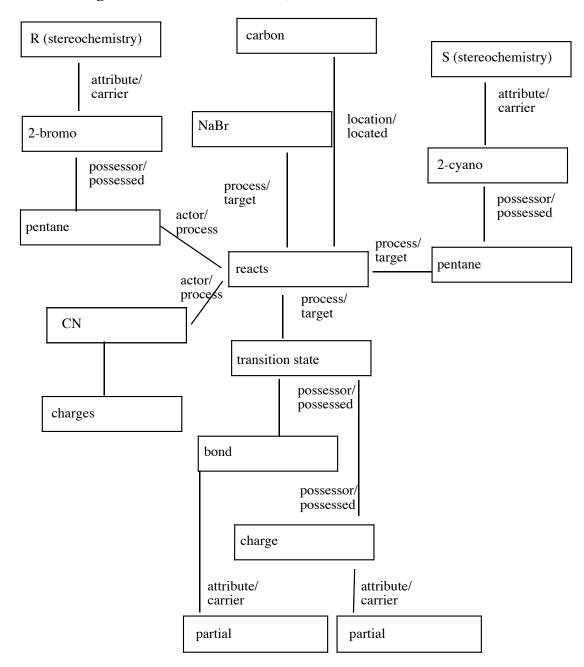




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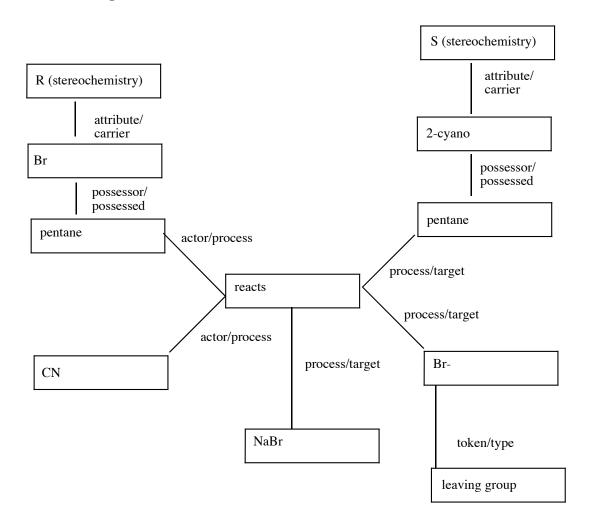


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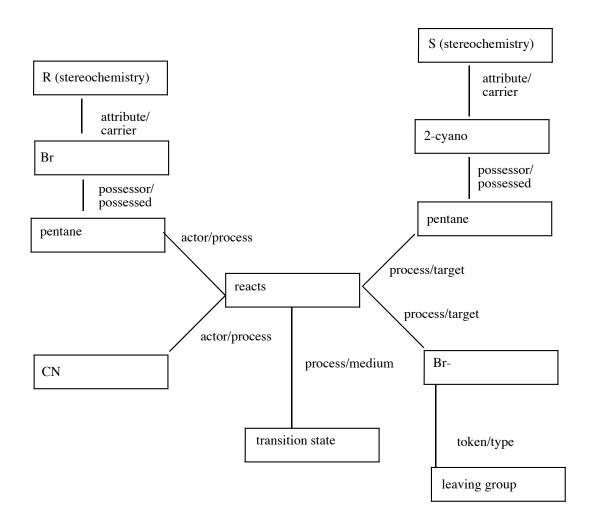


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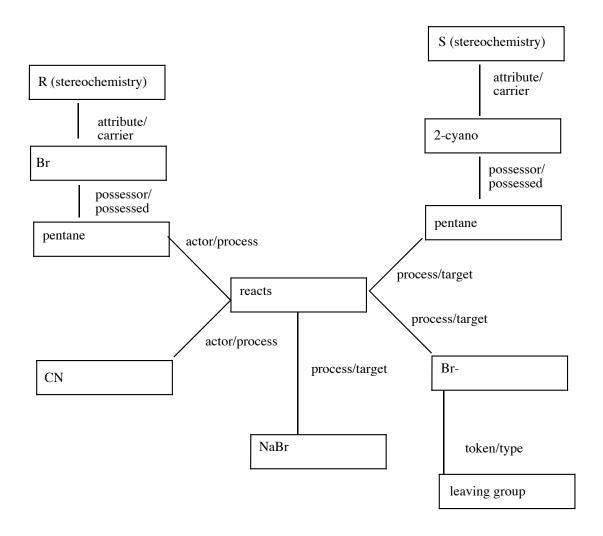
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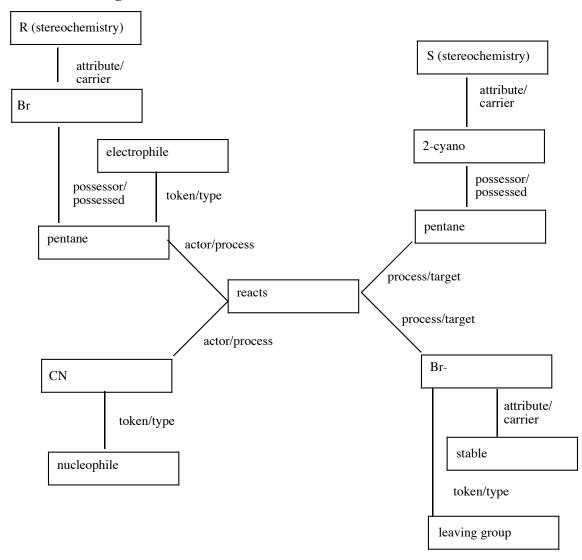


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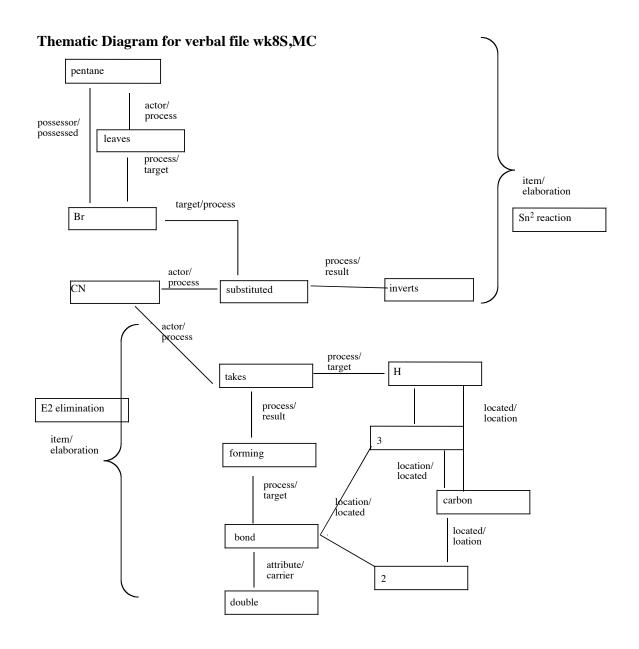


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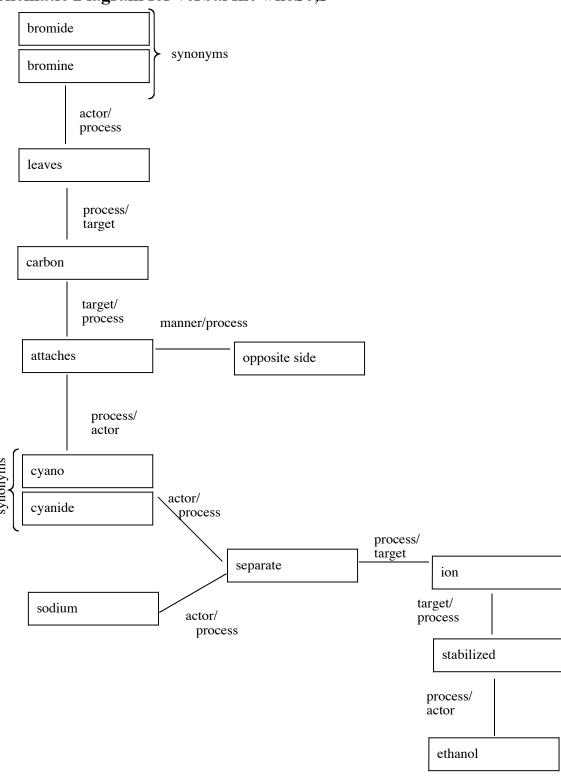
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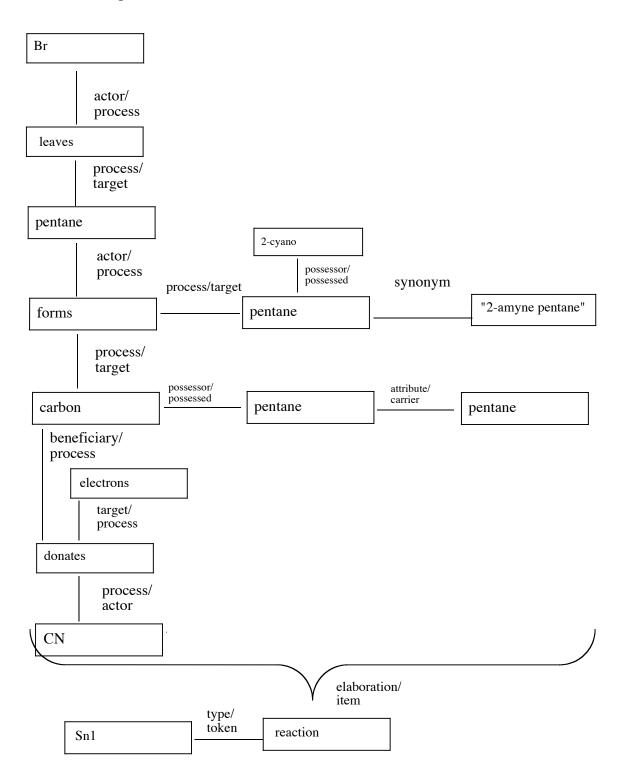
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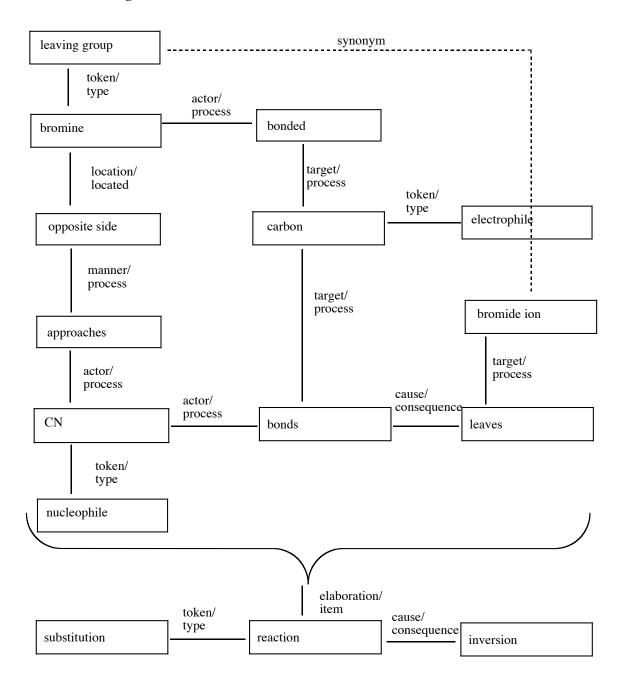
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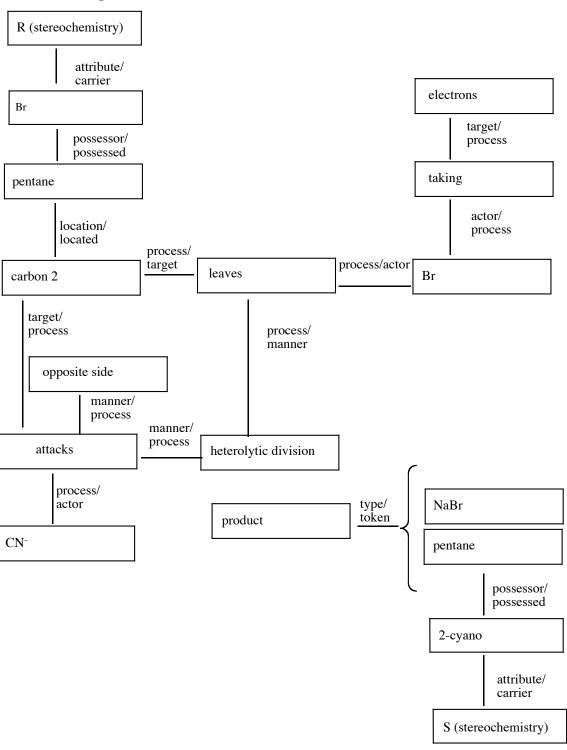
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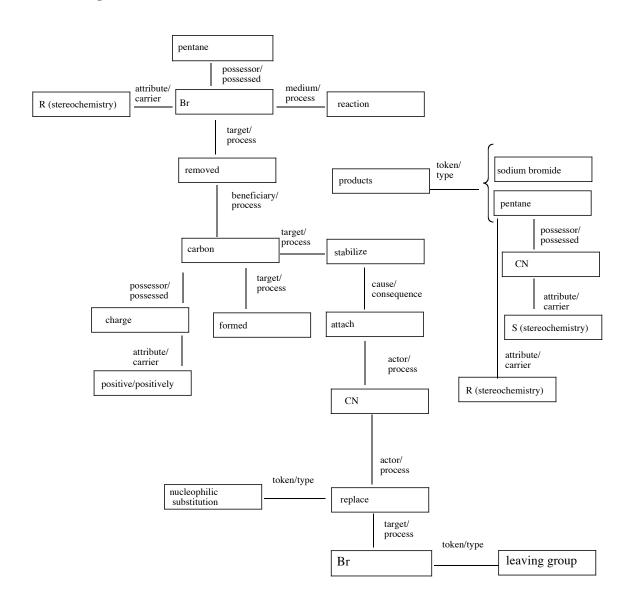


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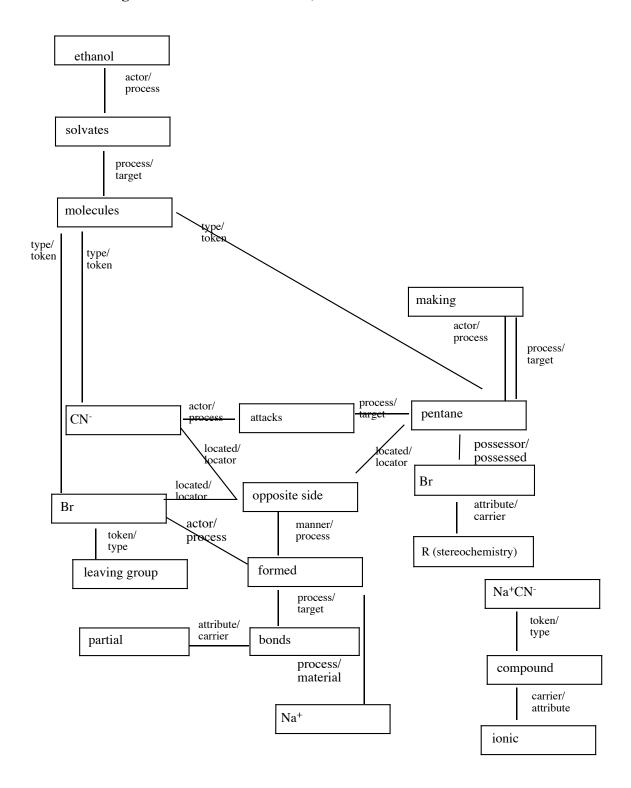


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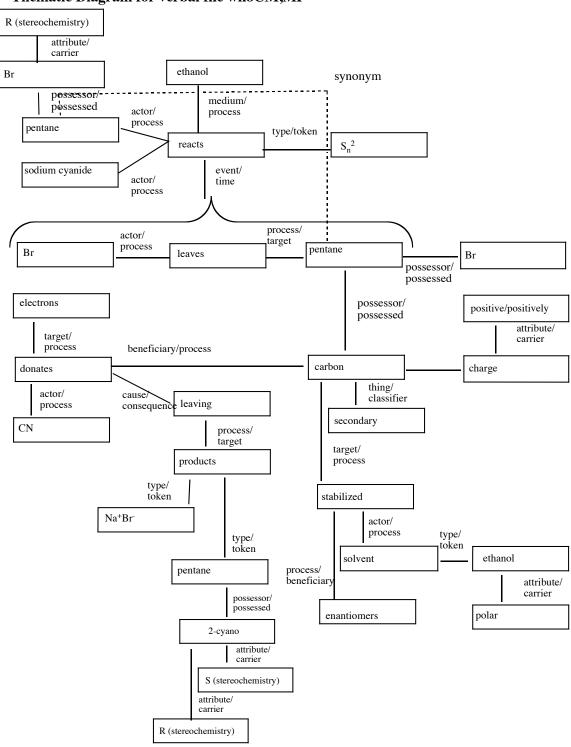
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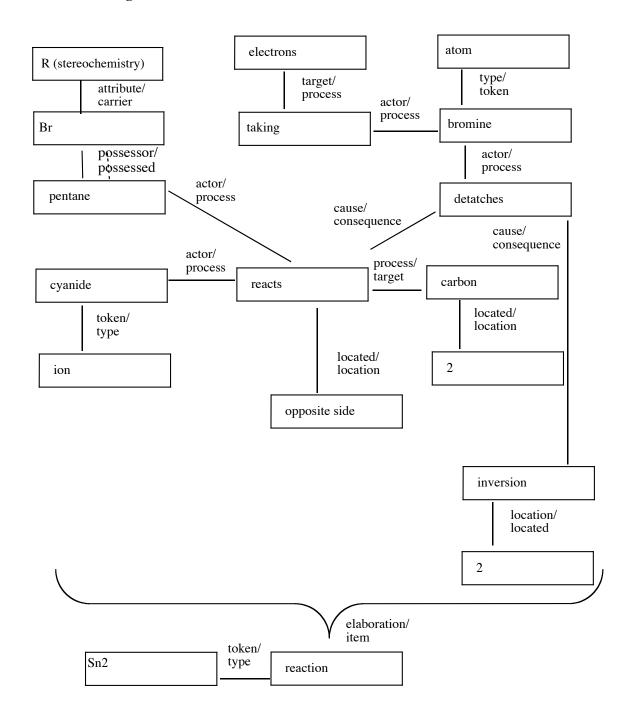
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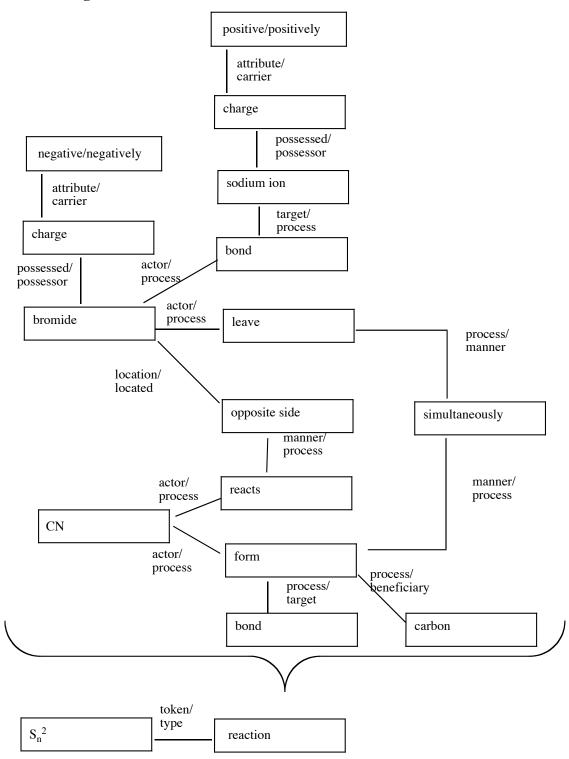
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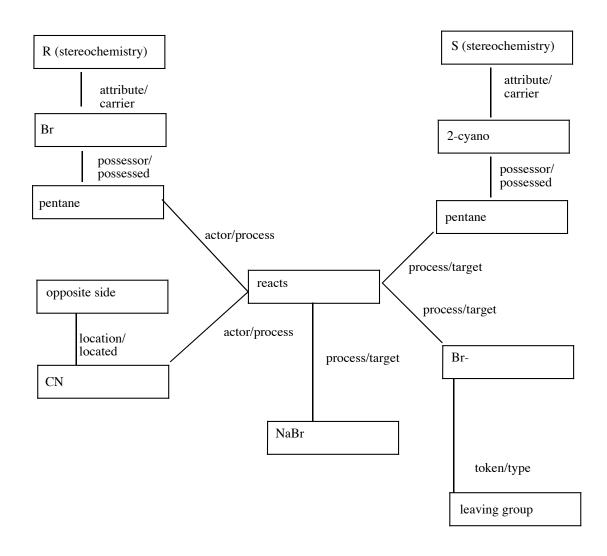


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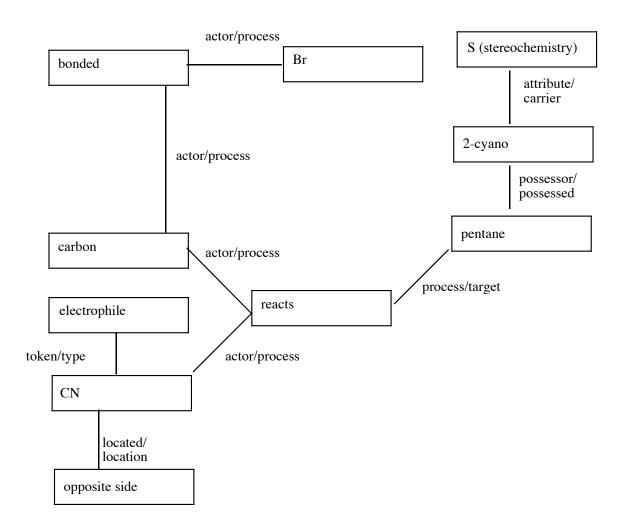


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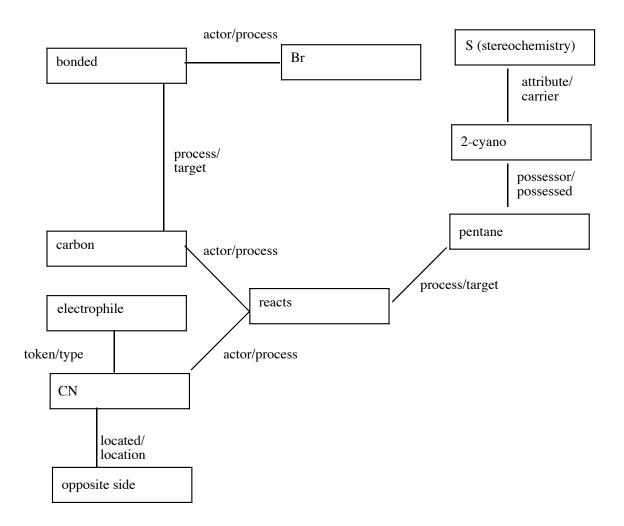
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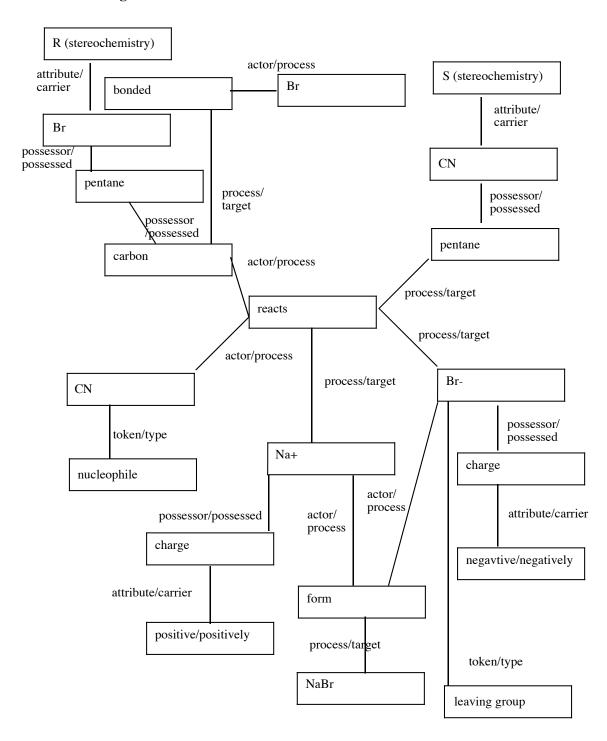
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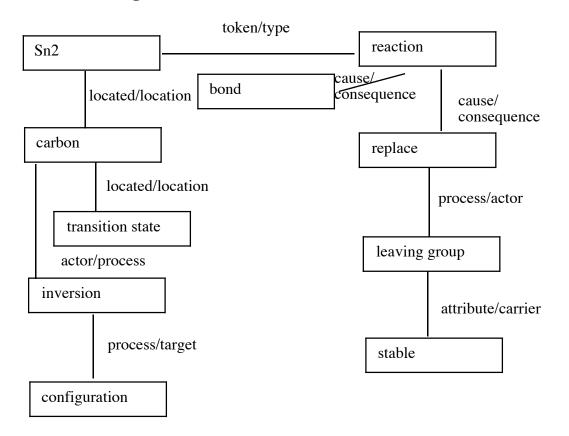


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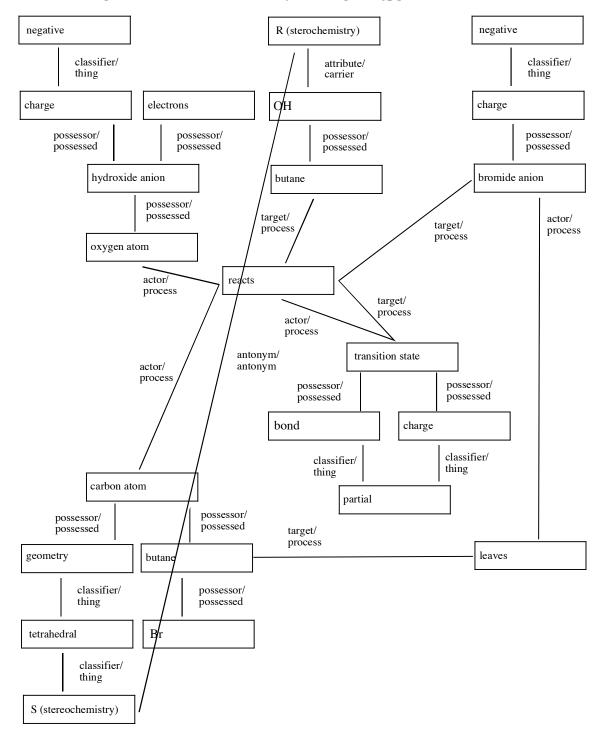
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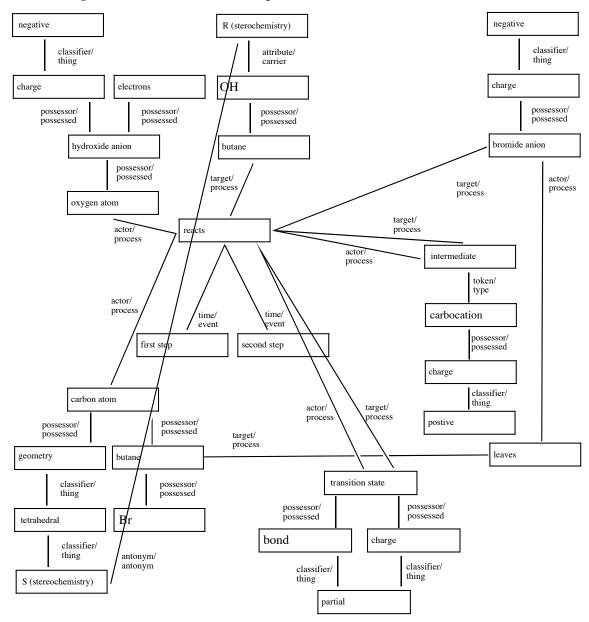
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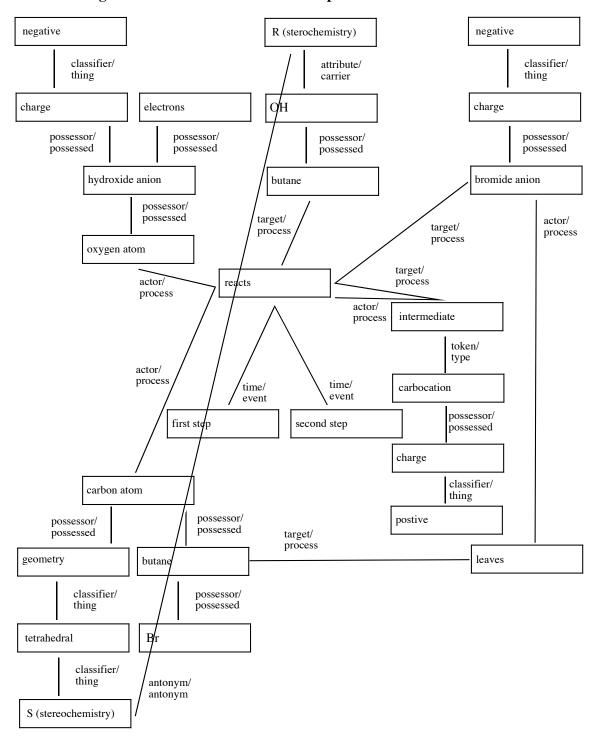
SN1-like inscription with transition state

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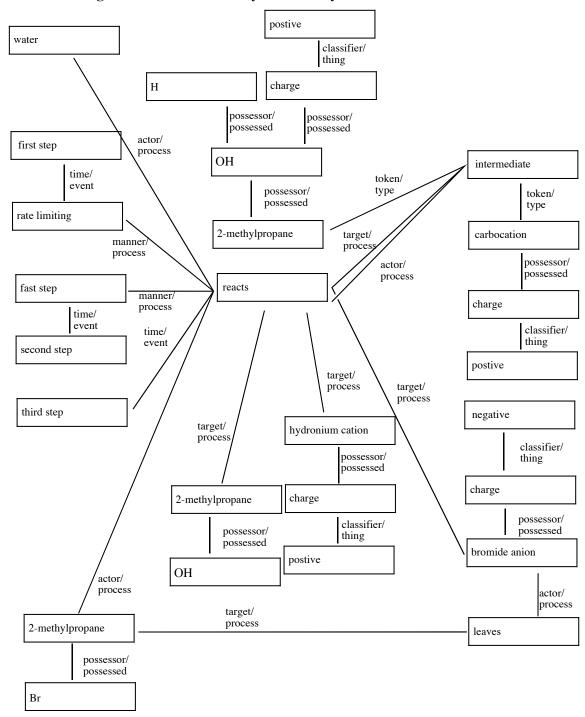
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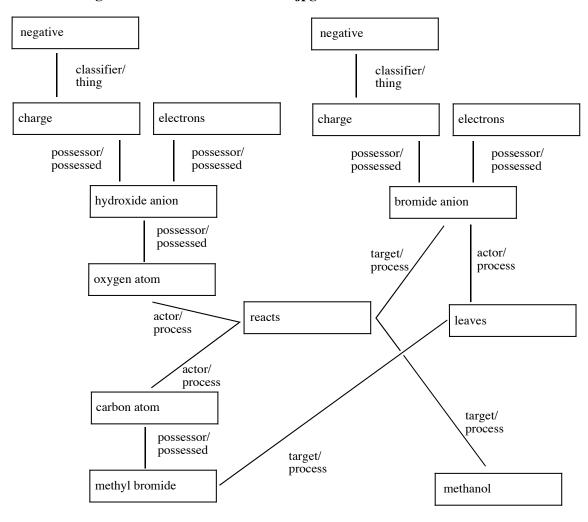


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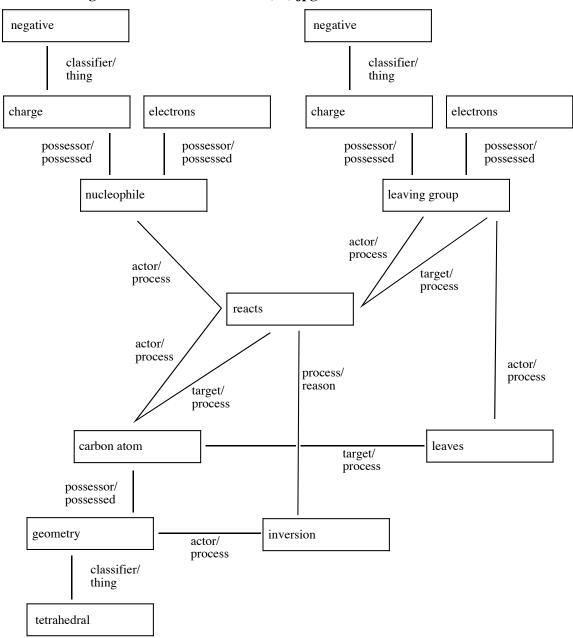
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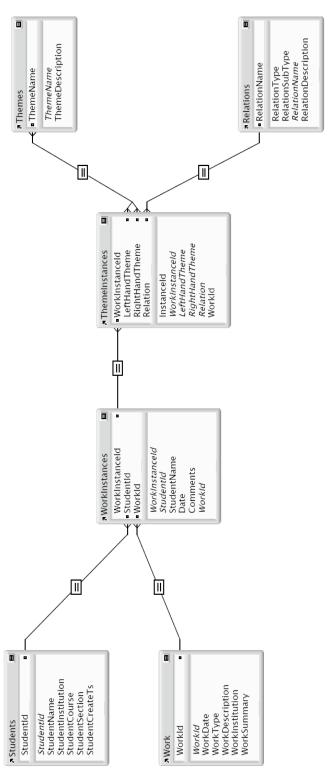


APPENDIX C: DATABASE AND COMPARITOR DESCRIPTION

DESCRIPTION OF DATABASE AND COMPARITOR TOOL

To facilitate analysis of student materials, we developed a database using FileMaker Developer 7.0. Once the student materials were coded and the data entered into the database, we exported the raw data to flat text files and performed similarity comparisons on that data using a small program written in the Perl 5 programming language. FileMaker is an inexpensive, commercial software product that runs on both MacOS and Windows platform computers. Perl 5 is a freely-available, open-source programming language that runs on most computing platforms and operating systems. The schema for the FileMaker database is shown in Figure 65.

Figure 65. Schema for the FileMaker database.



FILEMAKER DEVELOPER DATABASE DESIGN REPORT

The database definition and structure, including the description of all tables and fields, produced via the Filemaker "Database Design Report" utility, is shown in Table 42.

Table 42. Database definition and structure.

Table Name	Statistics	Occurrences in Relationship Graph
Students	6 fields defined, 22 records	Students
Themes	2 fields defined, 113 records	Themes
Relations	4 fields defined, 31 records	Relations
ThemeInstances	6 fields defined, 1127 records	ThemeInstances
Work	6 fields defined, 10 records	Work
WorkInstances	6 fields defined, 63 records	WorkInstances

Fields

Table 43. Students - 6 fields

Field Name	Type	Options	Comments	In Relationships	In Value Lists
StudentId	Normal, Number	Auto-Enter: Serial: Generate: On creation, Next value: 1029, Increment: 1 Validation: Only during data entry Strict validation Storage: Repetitions: 1 Indexing: All	Unique serial identifier for student record.	Students=WorkInstances	StudentList
StudentName	Normal, Text	Validation: Always Validate Not empty Strict validation Storage: Repetitions: 1 Indexing: Minimal Automatically create indexes as needed Index Language: English	Full name of student (last,first).		StudentList
StudentInstitution	Normal, Text	Auto-Enter: Constant data: umich.edu Allow editing Validation:	Institution that this student belongs to.		

		Always Validate Not empty Strict validation Storage: Repetitions: 1 Indexing: None Automatically create indexes as		
		needed Index Language: English		
StudentCourse	Normal, Text	Validation: Always Validate Not empty Strict validation Value list: CourseList Storage: Repetitions: 1 Indexing: None Automatically create indexes as needed Index Language: English	Identifier for course student is participating in.	
StudentSection	Normal, Text	Validation: Always Validate Not empty Strict validation Storage: Repetitions: 1	Identifier for course section student is participating in.	

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		Indexing: None Automatically create indexes as needed Index Language:		
StudentCreateTs	Normal,	English Auto-Enter:	Timostomn	
StudentCleaters			Timestamp student record	
	Timestamp	Creation timestamp		
		Validation:	was created.	
		Only during data		
		entry		
		Storage:		
		Repetitions: 1		
		Indexing: None		
		Automatically		
		create indexes as		
		needed		

Table 44. Themes - 2 Fields

Field Name	Type	Options	Comments		In Relationships	In Value Lists
ThemeName	Normal,	Validation:	Name	of	Themes∞ThemeInstances	ThemeList
	Text	Always Validate	theme.			
		Not empty				
		Strict validation				
		Storage:				
		Repetitions: 1				
		Indexing: Minimal				
		Automatically create				
		indexes as needed				

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		Index Language: English		
ThemeDescription	Normal,	Validation:	Description of	
	Text	Only during data entry	theme.	
		Storage:		
		Repetitions: 1		
		Indexing: None		
		Automatically create		
		indexes as needed		
		Index Language:		
		English		

Table 45. Relations - 4 Fields

Field Name	Type	Options	Comments	In Relationships	In Value Lists
RelationType	Norm	Validation:	Optional		
	al,	Always Validate	categorization for		
	Text	Not empty	this relation.		
		Strict validation			
		Storage:			
		Repetitions: 1			
		Indexing: Minimal			
		Automatically create			
		indexes as needed			
		Index Language: English			
RelationSubType	Norm	Validation:	Optional sub-		
	al,	Always Validate	categorization for		
	Text	Not empty	this relationship.		
		Strict validation			
		Storage:			

		Repetitions: 1 Indexing: Minimal Automatically create indexes as needed Index Language: English			
RelationName	Norm al, Text	Validation: Always Validate Not empty Unique Strict validation Storage: Repetitions: 1 Indexing: Minimal Automatically create indexes as needed Index Language: English	Name for this relationship.	Relations=ThemeInsta nces	RelationList
RelationDescripti	Norm al, Text	Validation: Only during data entry Storage: Repetitions: 1 Indexing: None Automatically create indexes as needed Index Language: English	Description for this relationship.		

Table 46. ThemeInstances - 6 Fields

Field Name	Type	Options	Comments	In Relationships	In Value Lists
InstanceId	Norma	Auto-Enter:	Id for this thematic		
	1,	Serial: Generate: On	instance.		

	Numb	creation, Next value: 2164,				
	er	Increment: 1				
		Validation:				
		Only during data entry				
		Storage:				
		Repetitions: 1				
		Indexing: All				
WorkInstanceId	Norma	Validation:	Id of WorkI		WorkInstances=ThemeInsta	
	1,	Only during data entry	that this ther	ne was	nces	
	Numb	Value list:	used in.			
	er	WorkInstanceList				
		Storage:				
		Repetitions: 1				
		Indexing: All				
LeftHandTheme	Norma	Validation:	Left-hand	theme	Themes∞ThemeInstances	
	l, Text	Only during data entry	used.			
		Value list: ThemeList				
		Storage:				
		Repetitions: 1				
		Indexing: Minimal				
		Automatically create				
		indexes as needed				
		Index Language: English				
RightHandThem	Norma	Validation:	Right-hand	Theme	Themes∞ThemeInstances	
e	1, Text	Only during data entry	used.			
		Value list: ThemeList				
		Storage:				
		Repetitions: 1				
		Indexing: None				
		Automatically create				

		indexes as needed			
D-1-4:	N	Index Language: English	D -1-4:	Delacione Theory Lordon	
Relation	Norma	Validation:	Relation used.	Relations=ThemeInstances	
	l, Text	Only during data entry			
		Value list: RelationList			
		Storage:			
		Repetitions: 1			
		Indexing: None			
		Automatically create			
		indexes as needed			
		Index Language: English			
WorkId	Norma	Auto-Enter:	Id of Work that this		
	1,	Lookup: WorkInstances	theme was used in.		
	Numb	::WorkId , Do not copy,			
	er	Don't copy contents if			
		empty			
		Validation:			
		Only during data entry			
		Storage:			
		Repetitions: 1			
		Indexing: None			
		Automatically create			
		indexes as needed			

Table 47. Work - 6 Fields

Field Name	Type	Options	Comments	In Relationships	In Value Lists
WorkId	Norma	Auto-Enter:	Identifier for work	Work=WorkInstances	WorkList
	1,	Serial: Generate: On	unit (assignment,		
	Numb	creation, Next value: 20,	test, etc.)		

	er	Increment: 1		
		Validation:		
		Always Validate		
		Strict validation		
		Storage:		
		Repetitions: 1		
		Indexing: All		
WorkDate	Norma	Auto-Enter:	Date that the work	
	l, Date	Creation date	was performed.	
		Allow editing		
		Validation:		
		Only during data entry		
		Strict data type: 4 digit		
		year		
		Error message: Lets use		
		four year dates just to		
		avoid issues.		
		Storage:		
		Repetitions: 1		
		Indexing: All		
WorkType	Norma	Validation:	Exam, assignment,	
	l, Text	Only during data entry	etc.	
		Value list:		
		WorkTypeList		
		Storage:		
		Repetitions: 1		
		Indexing: None		
		Automatically create		
		indexes as needed		
		Index Language: English		

WorkDescription	Norma	Validation:	Description of this	
	l, Text	Only during data entry	work.	
		Storage:		
		Repetitions: 1		
		Indexing: None		
		Automatically create		
		indexes as needed		
		Index Language: English		
WorkInstitution	Norma	Auto-Enter:	Institution	
	l, Text	Constant data:	associated with this	
		umich.edu	work.	
		Allow editing		
		Validation:		
		Only during data entry		
		Storage:		
		Repetitions: 1		
		Indexing: None		
		Automatically create		
		indexes as needed		
		Index Language: English		
WorkSummary	Calcul	Calculation:	Auto-generated	WorkList
	ated,	Work ::WorkDate & " "	field combining	
	Text	& Work ::WorkType & " "	work date, work	
		& Work ::WorkInstitution	type, and work	
		Storage:	institution. Useful	
		Repetitions: 1	for reports.	
		Indexing: All		
		Index Language: English		

Table 48. WorkInstances - 6 Fields

Field Name	Type	Options	Comments	In Relationships	In Value Lists
WorkInstanceId	Norma	Auto-Enter:	Unique identifier	WorkInstances=ThemeInsta	
	1,	Serial: Generate: On	for this work	nces	
	Numb	creation, Next value: 1079,	instance.		
	er	Increment: 1			
		Validation:			
		Only during data entry			
		Storage:			
		Repetitions: 1			
		Indexing: All			
StudentId	Norma	Validation:	Unique identifier	Students=WorkInstances	
	1,	Only during data entry	for the student		
	Numb	Value list: StudentList	associated with this		
	er	Storage:	work instance.		
		Repetitions: 1			
		Indexing: All			
StudentName	Norma	Auto-Enter:			
	l, Text	Lookup: Students			
		::StudentName , Do not			
		copy, Don't copy contents			
		if empty			
		Validation:			
		Only during data entry			
		Storage:			
		Repetitions: 1			
		Indexing: None			
		Automatically create			
		indexes as needed			
		Index Language: English			

Date	Norma	Auto-Enter:	Date associated		
	l, Date	Creation date	with this work		
		Allow editing	instance.		
		Validation:			
		Only during data entry			
		Storage:			
		Repetitions: 1			
		Indexing: None			
		Automatically create			
		indexes as needed			
Comments	Norma	Validation:	Optional		
	l, Text	Only during data entry	comments.		
		Storage:			
		Repetitions: 1			
		Indexing: None			
		Automatically create			
		indexes as needed			
		Index Language: English			
WorkId	Norma	Validation:	Unique identifer for	Work=WorkInstances	
	1,	Only during data entry	the work this is an		
	Numb	Strict validation	instance of.		
	er	Value list: WorkList			
		Storage:			
		Repetitions: 1			
		Indexing: All			

Table 49. Relationships: Table Occurrences

Table	Source Table	In Relationships	In Field	In Value Lists	Associated with
Occurrence			Definitions		layouts
Relations	Relations	Relations=ThemeInstances		RelationList	Relations
Themes	Themes	Themes∞ThemeInstances		ThemeList	Themes
Work	Work	Work=WorkInstances	Work	WorkList	Work Data
			::WorkSummary		Entry
					Work
Students	Students	Students=WorkInstances	WorkInstances	StudentList	Students
			::StudentName		
ThemeInstances	ThemeInstances	WorkInstances=ThemeInstances			WorkInstance
		Themes∞ThemeInstances			Data Entry
		Relations=ThemeInstances			ThemeInstances
WorkInstances	WorkInstances	Work=WorkInstances	ThemeInstances	WorkInstanceList	Work Data
		Students=WorkInstances	::WorkId		Entry
		WorkInstances=ThemeInstances			WorkInstance
					Data Entry

 Table 50. Relationship:
 Work=WorkInstances

Table Occurrence	Work		WorkInstances
Field	WorkId	=	WorkId
Source Table	Work		WorkInstances
Allow creation of	Off		On
records via this			
relationship			
Delete related	Off		Off

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records in this table when a record is		
deleted in the other table		
Sort records	Off	Off

Table 51. Relationship: Students=WorkInstances

Table Occurrence	Students		WorkInstances
Field	StudentId	=	StudentId
Source Table	Students		WorkInstances
Allow creation of	Off		Off
records via this			
relationship			
Delete related	Off		Off
records in this table			
when a record is			
deleted in the other			
table			
Sort records	Off		Off

 Table 52. Relationship:
 WorkInstances=ThemeInstances

Table Occurrence	WorkInstances	ThemeInstances

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Field	WorkInstanceId	=	WorkInstanceId
Source Table	WorkInstances		ThemeInstances
Allow creation of	Off		On
records via this			
relationship			
Delete related	Off		Off
records in this table			
when a record is			
deleted in the other			
table			
Sort records	Off		Off

Table~53.~Relationship: Themes=ThemeInstances

Table Occurrence	Themes		ThemeInstances
Field	ThemeName	=	LeftHandTheme
and	ThemeName	=	RightHandTheme
Source Table	Themes		ThemeInstances
Allow creation of	Off		Off
records via this			
relationship			
Delete related	Off		Off
records in this table			
when a record is			
deleted in the other			
table			
Sort records	Off		Off

 ${\bf Table~54.~Relationship:} \ {\it Relations=ThemeInstances}$

Table Occurrence	Relations		ThemeInstances
Field	RelationName	=	Relation
Source Table	Relations		ThemeInstances
Allow creation of	Off		Off
records via this			
relationship			
Delete related	Off		Off
records in this table			
when a record is			
deleted in the other			
table			
Sort records	Off		Off

"COMPARATOR" DATA ANALYSIS PROGRAM

The data analysis program, called "comparator.pl" was written in Perl 5, a freely-available open-source programming language available on all common computing platforms. The purpose of the program is to enable comparison of student works (i.e. each particular student's completion of an assignment, exam, etc.) in terms of the number of Theme-Relation-Theme triplets they have in common, and thus their similarity.

Perl 5 uses an encapsulation and extension mechanism called "modules." In addition to the modules included in the standard Perl distribution, comparator.pl uses version 1.20 of the Set::Scalar module to perform set comparisons. The functionality of the Set::Scalar module was verified by running the standard test harness that comes with the module. The overall proper functioning of the comparator.pl program was verified by comparing its output to manual computations.

Comparator.pl was coded using a simple text editor. No other special tools were required. The source code for the comparator.pl program is as follows:

```
#!/usr/bin/perl

use Set::Scalar;
use Getopt::Long;
use Tie::File;
use Fcntl 'O_RDONLY';
#use strict;

$VERSION = '0.4.3';

#Getopt::Long::Configure("debug");

# Set defaults for options.
my $DEFAULT_DATA_DIR = '.';
my $DEFAULT_FILE_STUDENTS = 'students.tab';
my $DEFAULT_FILE_WORK = 'work.tab';
my $DEFAULT_FILE_WORKINSTANCES = 'workinstances.tab';
my $DEFAULT_FILE_THEMEINSTANCES = 'themeinstances.tab';
my $DEFAULT_SEPARATOR CHAR = ':';
```

```
my $DEFAULT_VERBOSE = 0;
my $DEFAULT PRECISION = 4;
my $DATA DIR = $DEFAULT DATA DIR;
my $FILE STUDENTS = $DEFAULT FILE STUDENTS;
my $FILE WORK = $DEFAULT FILE WORK;
my $FILE_WORKINSTANCES = $DEFAULT FILE WORKINSTANCES;
my $FILE THEMEINSTANCES = $DEFAULT FILE THEMEINSTANCES;
my $SEPARATOR CHAR = $DEFAULT SEPARATOR CHAR;
my $VERBOSE = $DEFAULT VERBOSE;
my $PRECISION = $DEFAULT PRECISION;
sub usage {
      print "Usage: $0 [options] <workinstanceid1> <workinstanceid2>
...\n";
   print "
                  $0 -h | --help (to show all options)\n\n";
usage() unless (@ARGV);
$usagestatus = GetOptions (
      "datadir=s" => \$DATA DIR,
      "studentsfile=s" => \$FILE STUDENTS,
      "workfile=s" => \$FILE WORK,
      "workinstancesfile=s" => \$FILE_WORKINSTANCES,
      "themeinstancesfile=s" => \$FILE THEMEINSTANCES,
      "verbose | v" => \$VERBOSE,
      "separator=s" => \$SEPARATOR_CHAR,
      "precision|p=i" => \$PRECISION,
      "tabfile | t=s" => \$TABFILE,
      "compare|c" => \$COMPARE,
      "union|u=s" => \$UNION,
      "help|h" \Rightarrow \$HELP
);
usage() unless $usagestatus;
if ($HELP) {
      usage();
    print <<EOT;</pre>
  --datadir : Specifies source directory for input files. Default:
$DEFAULT DATA DIR
  --studentsfile: Specifies students file. Default:
SDEFAULT FILE STUDENTS
  --workfile: Specifies work file. Default: $DEFAULT FILE WORK
  --workinstancesfile: Specfies workinstances file. Default:
$DEFAULT FILE WORKINSTANCES
  --themeinstancesfile: Specfies themeinstances file. Default:
$DEFAULT_FILE_THEMEINSTANCES
  --verbose | -v: Verbose mode. Shows extra processing info. Default:
$DEFAULT VERBOSE
  --separator: Separator character used internally. Default:
$DEFAULT SEPARATOR CHAR
  --precision | -p: Number of decimal places to show in output.
Default: $DEFAULT PRECISION
  --tabfile | -t: Output file for tab-separated text out. No default.
  --help | -h: Shows this message.
EOT
}
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#print "ARGV: " . join(" ",@ARGV);
#exit();
print "Version: $VERSION\n";
if ($UNION) {
      @union workids = split(/\s+/, $UNION);
}
# Make sure the arguments supplied are all numeric.
foreach $arg (@ARGV) {
      if ($arg !~ m#\d+#) {
            print "Arguments must be numeric.\n";
        die(1);
      } else {
            push @itemids, $arg;
}
if ($VERBOSE) {
      print <<EOT;</pre>
Configuration:
      DATA DIR = $DATA DIR
      STUDENTSFILE = $FILE STUDENTS
      WORKFILE = $FILE WORK
      WORKINSTANCESFILE = $FILE WORKINSTANCES
      THEMEINSTANCESFILES = $FILE THEMEINSTANCES
      VERBOSE = $VERBOSE
      SEPARATOR = $SEPARATOR CHAR
      PRECISION = $PRECISION
      TABFILE = $TABFILE
EOT
}
print "Processing Instances (" . scalar @itemids . "): " . join("
",@itemids) . "\n" if $VERBOSE;
print "----\n" if $VERBOSE;
# Link each data file with an array using Tie::File (efficient).
tie @students, 'Tie::File', $DATA DIR . "/" . $FILE STUDENTS, mode =>
O RDONLY or die $!;
tie @work , 'Tie::File', $DATA_DIR . "/" . $FILE_WORK, mode => O_RDONLY
or die $!;
tie @workinstances, 'Tie::File', $DATA DIR . "/" . $FILE WORKINSTANCES,
mode => O RDONLY or die $!;
tie @themeinstances, 'Tie::File', $DATA_DIR . "/" .
$FILE THEMEINSTANCES, mode => O RDONLY or die $!;
die "Theme instance file '$FILE THEMEINSTANCES' only contained a single
record. Parsing problem? Exiting."
      unless ( scalar @themeinstances > 1 );
$tabfile rows = "";
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# Calculate our union set from the supplied workinstances.
if ($UNION) {
      $unionset = Set::Scalar->new;
      foreach $workid (@union workids) {
     my $themeset = fetchthemeset($workid, \@themeinstances);
        $unionset = $unionset->union($themeset);
    print "unionset: ", $unionset->size, "\n";
    foreach $item (@itemids) {
     my $item themeset = fetchthemeset($item, \@themeinstances);
        my $union themeset = $item themeset->union($unionset);
        my $shared themeset = $item themeset->intersection($unionset);
        my $item themeset size = $item themeset->size;
        my $union themeset size = $union themeset->size;
        my $shared themeset size = $shared themeset->size;
        my $similarity = $shared_themeset_size / $union themeset size;
      $item allthemes = Set::Scalar->new;
      foreach $element ($item themeset=>elements) {
            my($1ht,$rel,$rht) = split /$SEPARATOR CHAR/, $element;
            $item allthemes->insert($lht);
            $item allthemes->insert($rht);
      $item allthemes size = $item allthemes->size;
        my $global themeset = Set::Scalar->new;
      foreach $element ($union themeset->elements) {
            my($1ht,$rel,$rht) = split /$SEPARATOR CHAR/, $element;
            $global themeset->insert($1ht);
            $global themeset->insert($rht);
      $global themeset size = $global themeset->size;
     print "item($item): $item_themeset_size - ";
        print "union: $union themeset size - ";
      print "shared: $shared themeset size - ";
      print "global: $global_themeset_size ";
      print "($item:$item_allthemes_size) ";
     printf "similarity: %.${PRECISION}f\n", $similarity;
      if ($TABFILE) {
                $tabfile rows .= "$item\t$item themeset size";
          $tabfile rows .=
"\t$union themeset size\t$shared themeset size";
            $tabfile rows .=
"\t$global_themeset_size\t$item_allthemes_size\t";
            $tabfile rows .= sprintf("%.${PRECISION}f\n", $similarity);
    if ($TABFILE) {
      open (TAB, ">$TABFILE") or die "Can't open $TABFILE for writing:
$!";
     print TAB "workinstanceid1\tthemesetsize1";
     print TAB
"\tunionthemesetsize\tsharedthemesetsize\tglobalthemesetsize";
      print TAB "\titem1allthemesize\tsimilarity\n";
     print TAB "$tabfile rows\n";
     close TAB;
      print "Saved output in $TABFILE.\n";
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}
    exit;
# http://search.cpan.org/~jhi/Set-Scalar-1.20/lib/Set/Scalar.pm
$history = Set::Scalar->new;
# Loop through the supplied itemids twice, skipping pairs we have
already
# compared previously.
foreach $item1 (@itemids) {
      foreach $item2 (@itemids) {
            # Avoid narcissism.
            next if ($item1 == $item2);
            # Skip previous comparisons (bidirectional).
            next if ($history->has($item1 . $SEPARATOR_CHAR . $item2));
            next if ($history->has($item2 . $SEPARATOR CHAR . $item1));
            # Fetch our themesets for the items we're comparing.
            $item1 themeset = fetchthemeset($item1,\@themeinstances);
            $item2 themeset = fetchthemeset($item2,\@themeinstances);
            # Determine the union of the two sets.
            $union_themeset = $item1_themeset->union($item2_themeset);
            # Determine the intersection of the two sets.
            $shared themeset = $item1 themeset-
>intersection($item2 themeset);
            # Count the size of the various sets.
            $item1 themeset size = $item1 themeset->size;
            $item2 themeset size = $item2 themeset->size;
            $union themeset size = $union themeset->size;
            $shared themeset size = $shared themeset->size;
            # Explode the theme triplets from the union set into a set
of
            # unique themes.
            $global themeset = Set::Scalar->new;
            $item1 allthemes = Set::Scalar->new;
            $item2 allthemes = Set::Scalar->new;
            foreach $element ($union themeset->elements) {
                  my($lht,$rel,$rht) = split /$SEPARATOR_CHAR/,
$element;
                  $qlobal themeset->insert($1ht);
                  $qlobal themeset->insert($rht);
            $global themeset size = $global themeset->size;
            foreach $element ($item1 themeset->elements) {
                  my($1ht,$rel,$rht) = split /$SEPARATOR CHAR/,
$element;
                  $item1 allthemes->insert($lht);
                  $item1 allthemes->insert($rht);
            $item1 allthemes size = $item1 allthemes->size;
            foreach $element ($item2 themeset->elements) {
                  my($lht,$rel,$rht) = split /$SEPARATOR_CHAR/,
$element;
                  $item2 allthemes->insert($lht);
                  $item2 allthemes->insert($rht);
            }
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$item2_allthemes_size = $item2_allthemes->size;
            $similarity = $shared themeset size / $union themeset size;
            print "item($item1): $item1_themeset_size - ";
            print "item($item2): $item2 themeset size - ";
            print "union: $union themeset size - ";
            print "shared: $shared themeset size - ";
            print "global: $global themeset size ";
            print "($item1:$item1 allthemes size) ";
            print "($item2:$item2 allthemes size) - ";
            printf "similarity: %.${PRECISION}f\n", $similarity;
        if ($TABFILE) {
                $tabfile rows .=
"$item1\t$item1_themeset_size\t$item2\t$item2_themeset_size";
          $tabfile rows .=
"\t$union themeset size\t$shared themeset size";
            $tabfile rows .=
"\t$item1 allthemes size\t$item2 allthemes size\t$qlobal themeset size\
t";
            $tabfile rows .= sprintf("%.${PRECISION}f\n", $similarity);
        }
            #print "global themeset: ", $global themeset, "\n";
            # Add the comparison to our history.
            $history->insert($item1 . $SEPARATOR CHAR . $item2);
      }
}
if ($TABFILE) {
      open (TAB, ">$TABFILE") or die "Can't open $TABFILE for writing:
$!";
    print TAB
"workinstanceid1\tthemesetsize1\tworkinstanceid2\tthemesetsize2";
    print TAB "\tunionthemesetsize\tsharedthemesetsize";
    print TAB
"\titem1allthemesize\titem2allthemesize\tqlobalthemesetsize\tsimilarity
\n";
      print TAB "$tabfile rows\n";
    close TAB;
    print "Saved output in $TABFILE.\n";
}
exit(0);
# Return a set containing the theme/relation/theme triplets for the
supplied
# work instance ID.
sub fetchthemeset {
      ($workinstanceid, $itemarrayref) = @ ;
      $set = Set::Scalar->new;
      # Iterate over each line of the referenced array (which is really
our
      # tied database file.
      foreach $line (@$itemarrayref) {
            # Split each line on the delimiter (tab).
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APPENDIX D: IRB APPROVAL



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Mr. Alan Kiste LS&A Chemistry Department Chem 2408 Department of Chemistry 1055

Dear Mr. Kiste:

The Behavioral Sciences Institutional Review Board (IRB) has reviewed and approved your research proposal involving human subjects. The IRB determined that the research and its procedures are compliant with appropriate guidelines, state and federal regulations, and the University of Michigan's Federal Wide Assurance (FWA00004969 Expiration 6/12/06) on file with the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

Please remember that approval must be obtained for changes in procedures or consent document(s) related to your research proposal. If changes are contemplated, they must be approved prior to initiation of the modified procedures.

The approval period for this project is for a period of one year from the approval date listed below, or a shorter period, if specified. Please note your expiration date. Approximately three months prior to the expiration date, you will be notified so that your renewal application can be prepared, submitted, and reviewed in a timely manner without interruption in the approval status of this project. You must allow up to six weeks for the review process. If you allow your approval to lapse, no work may be conducted on this project until appropriate approval has been obtained.

You are also required to inform the IRB of all unanticipated or adverse events (i.e., physical, social, or emotional injury) as soon as possible after the event. The forms necessary for modifications and adverse event reporting can be obtained on the IRB website at http://www.irb.research.umich.edu.

Sincerely,

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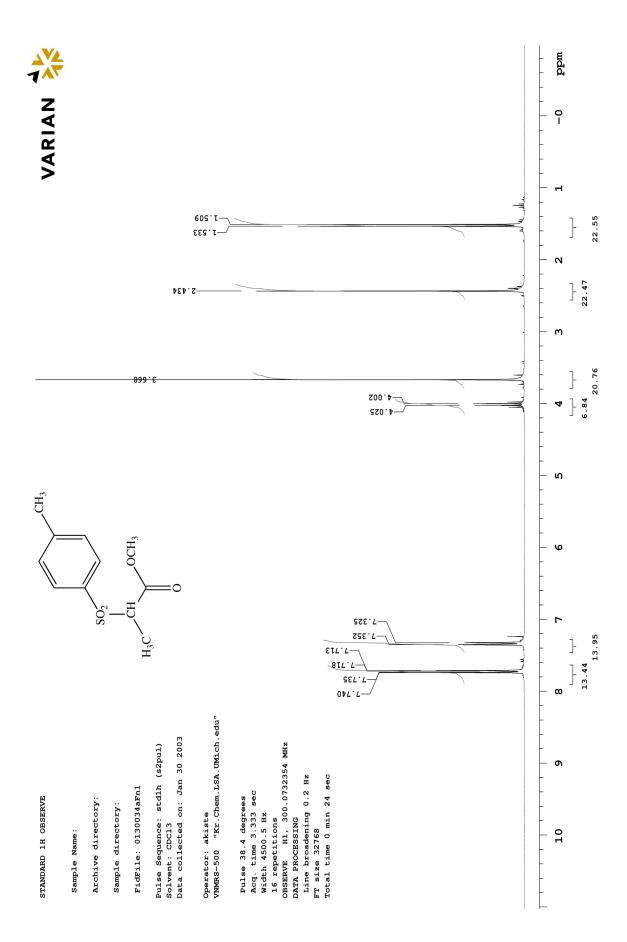
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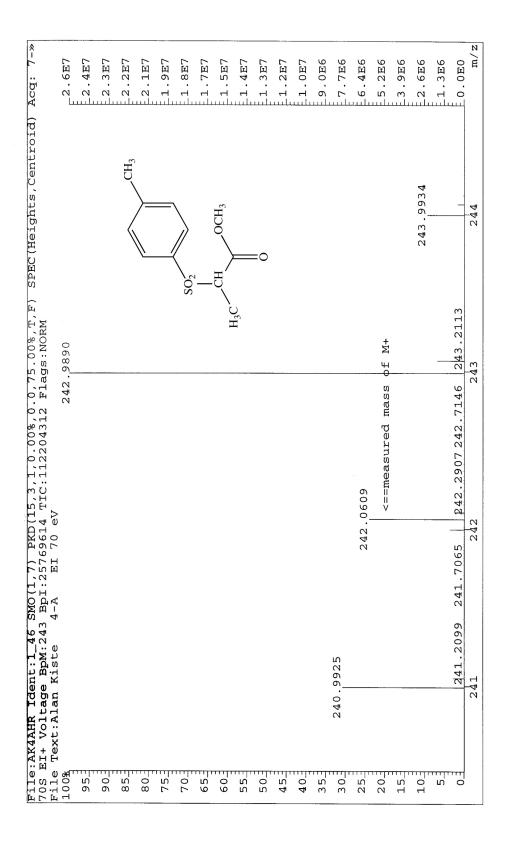
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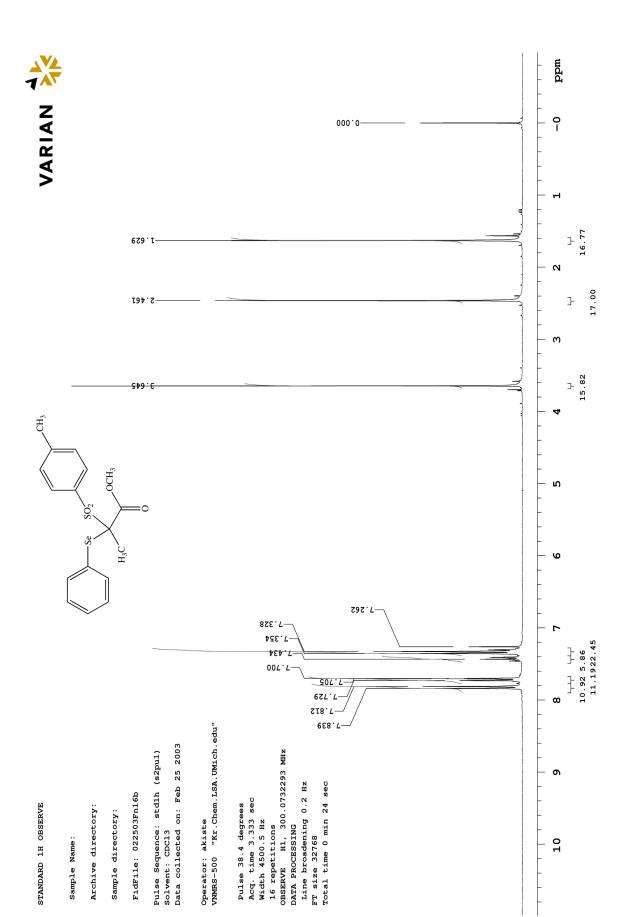
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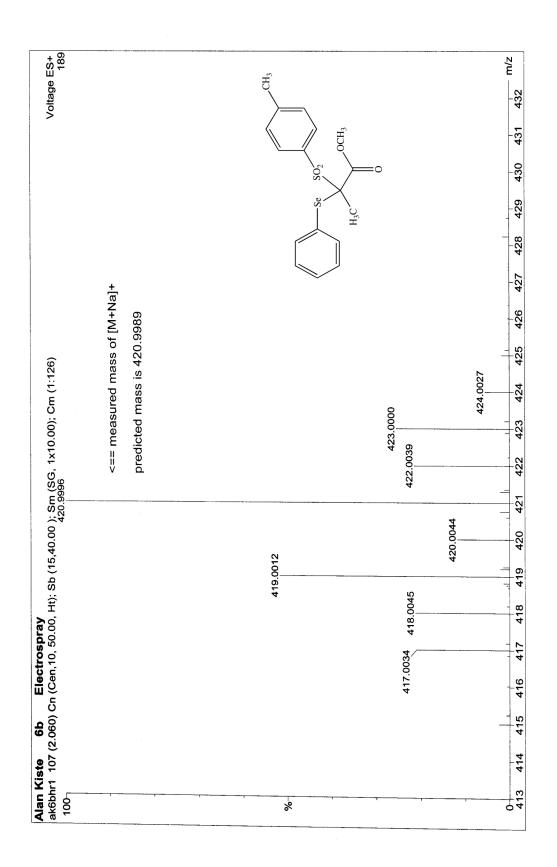
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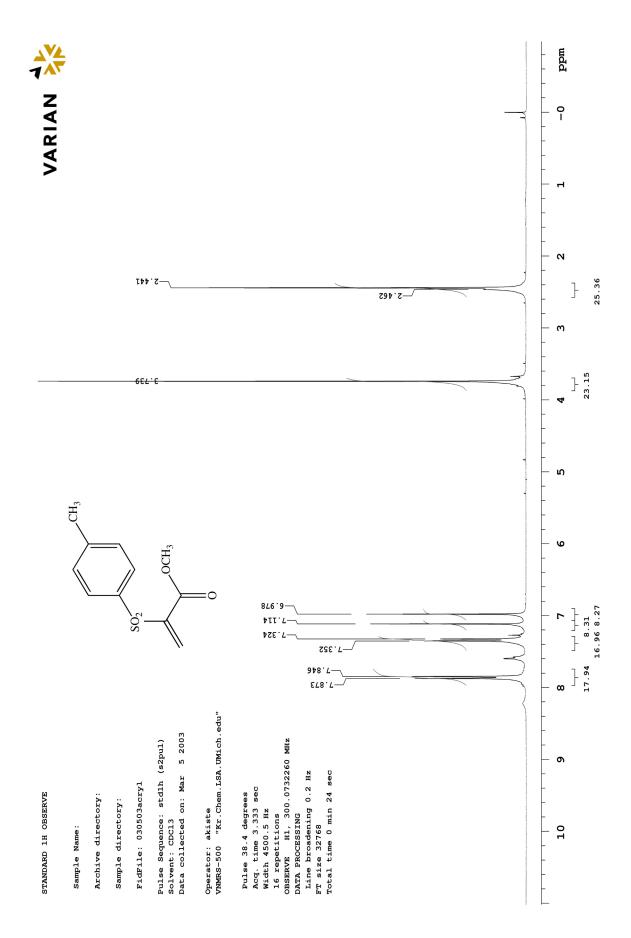
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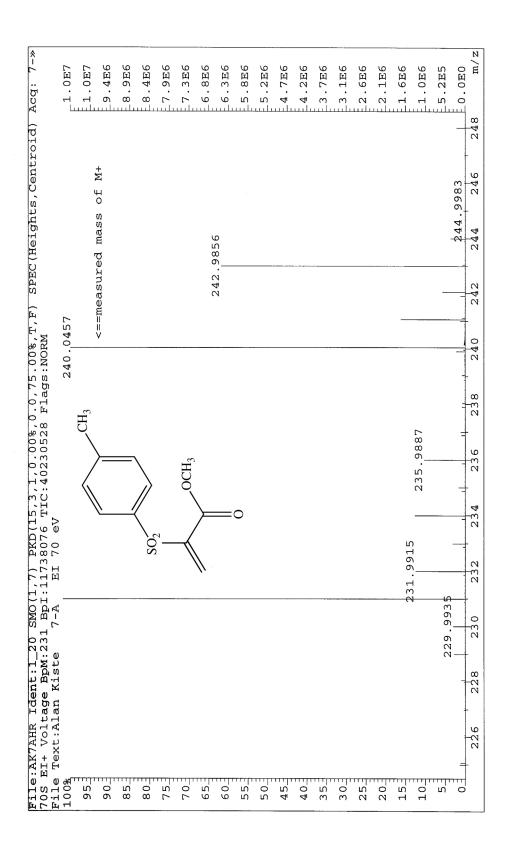


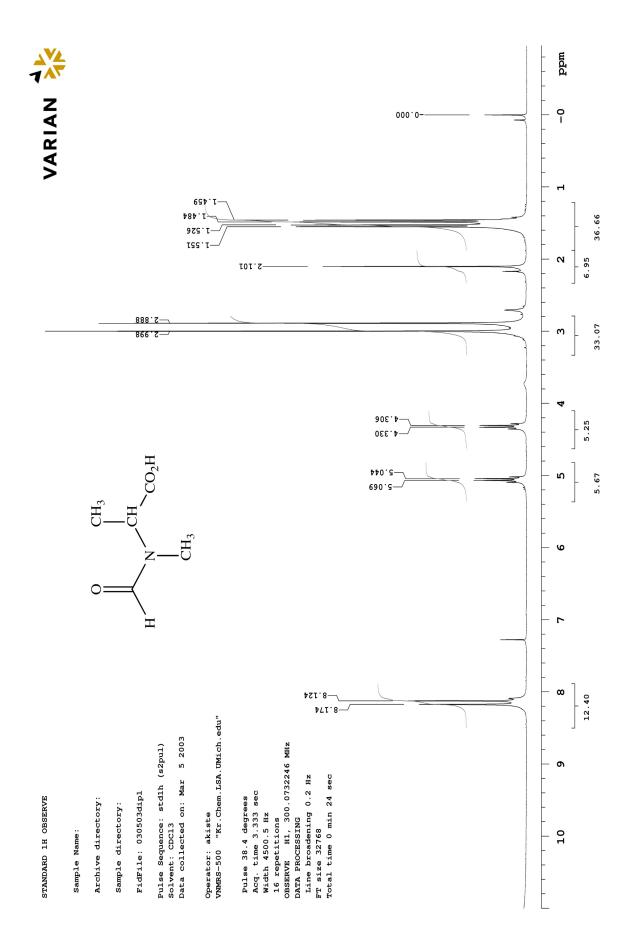


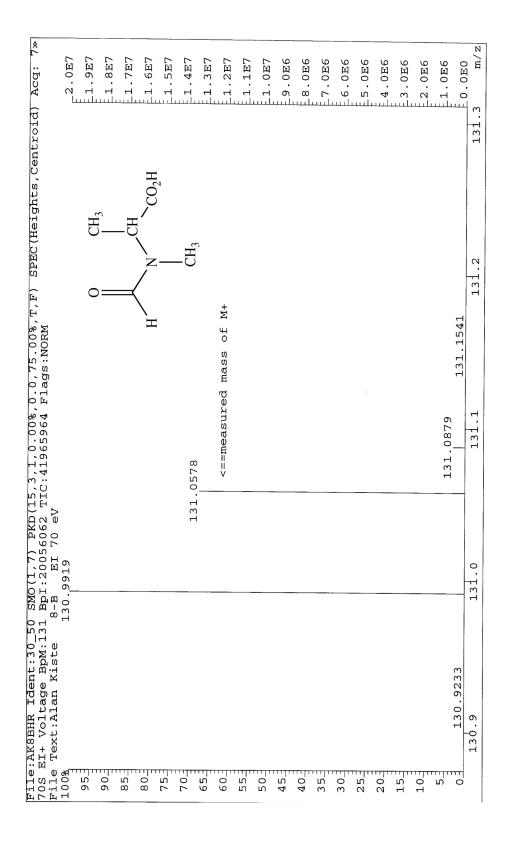


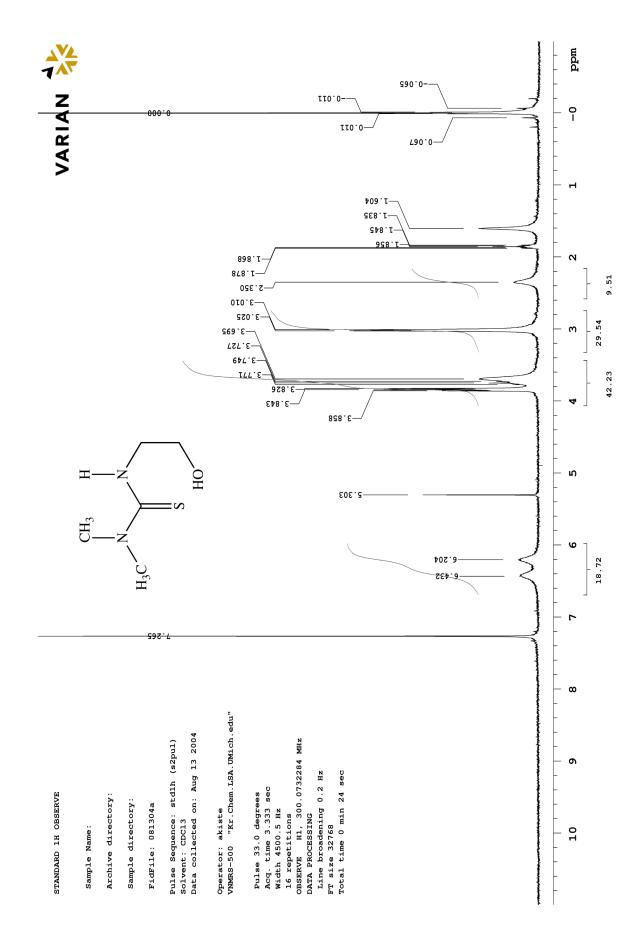


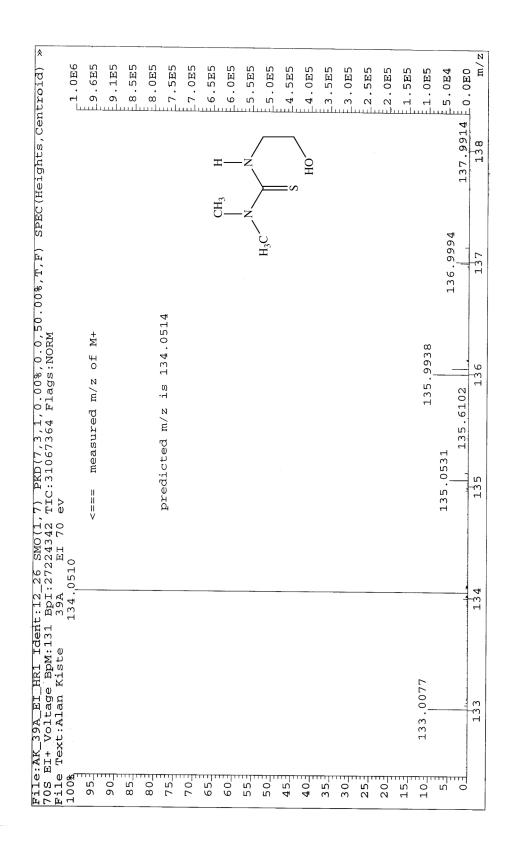


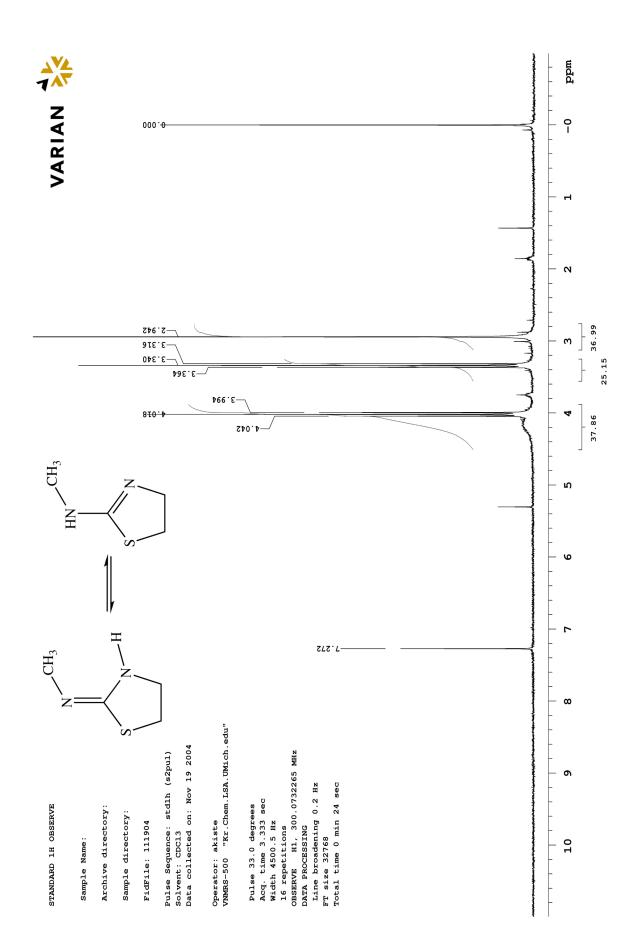


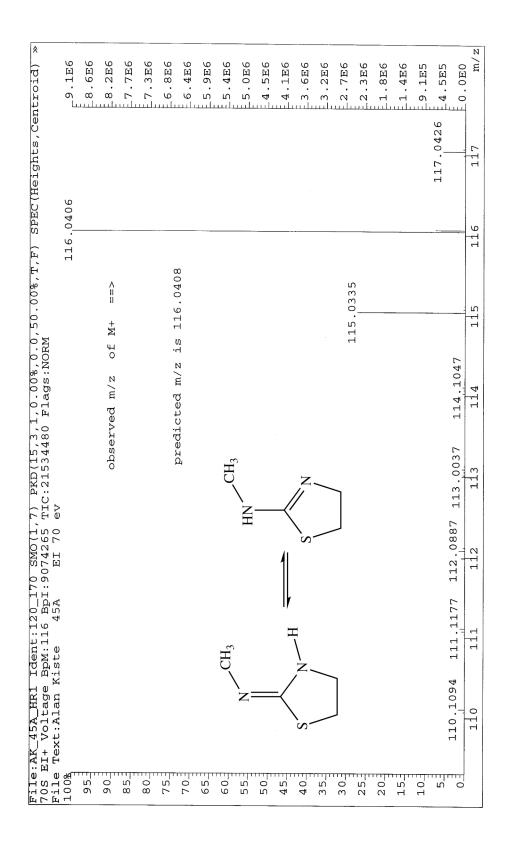


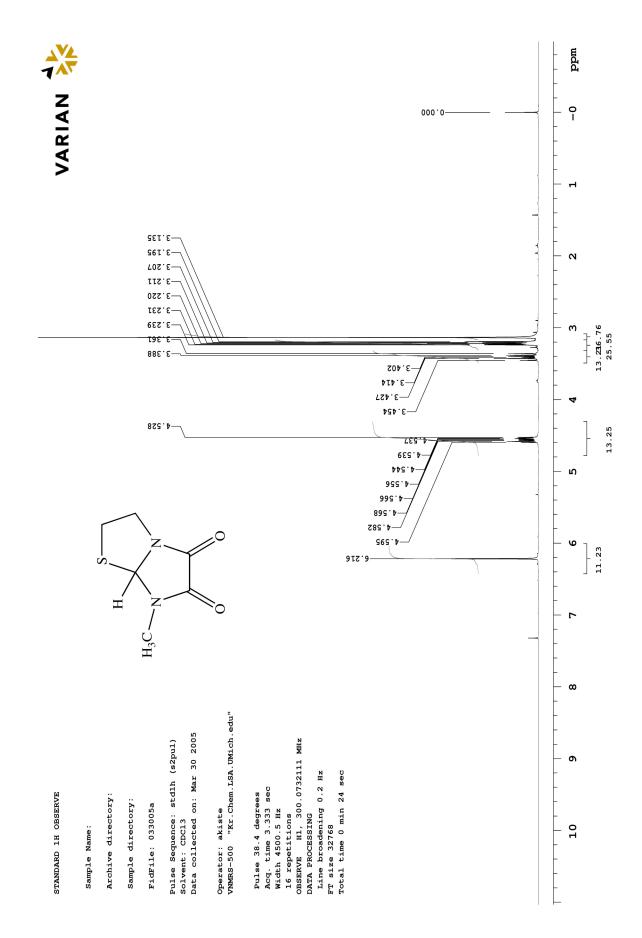


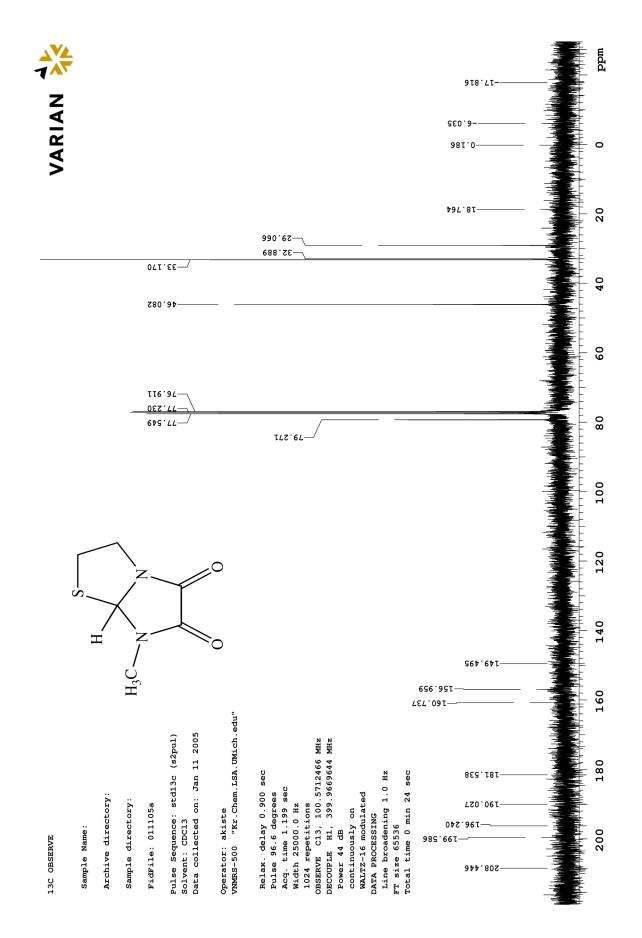


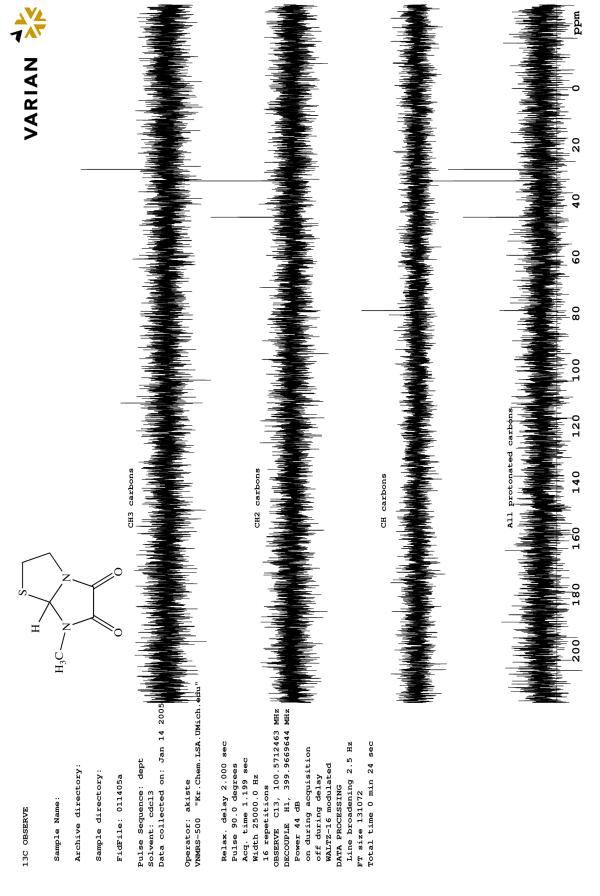


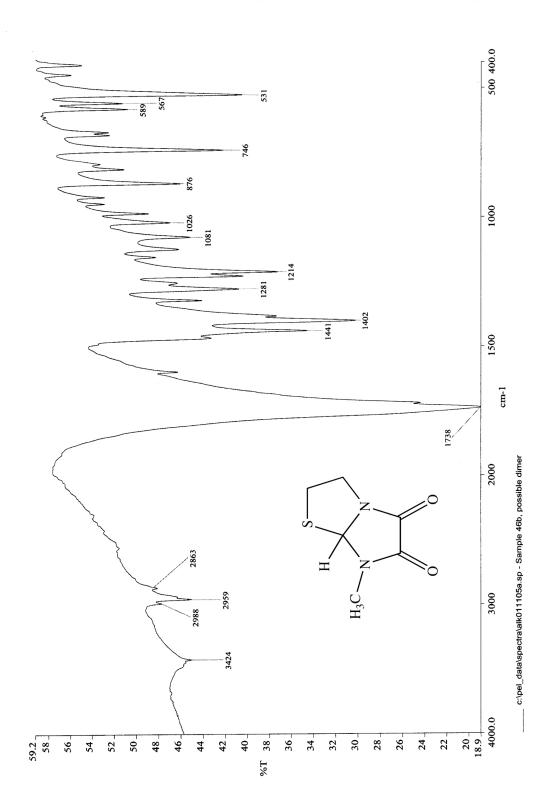


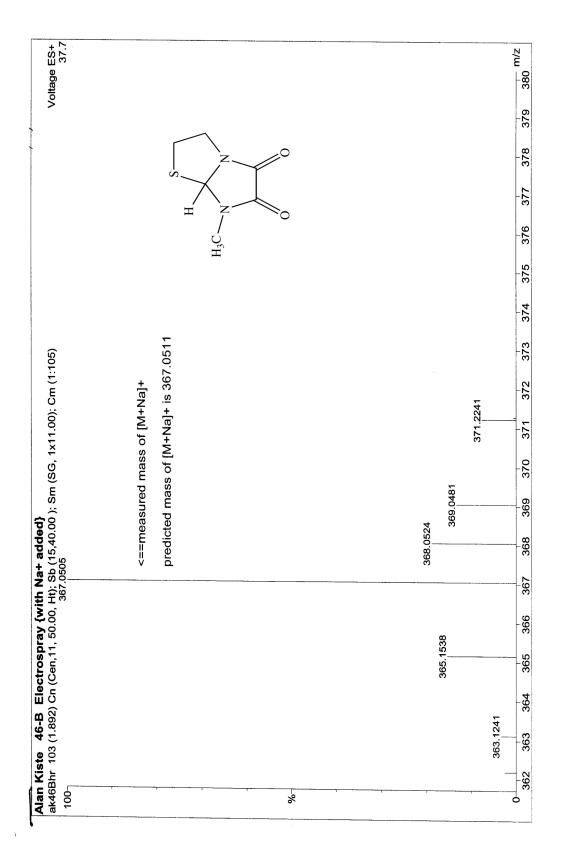


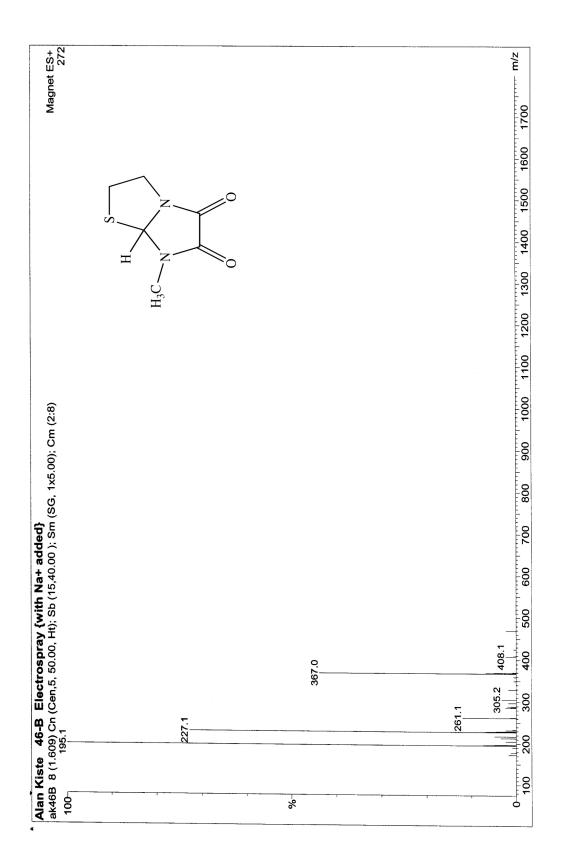


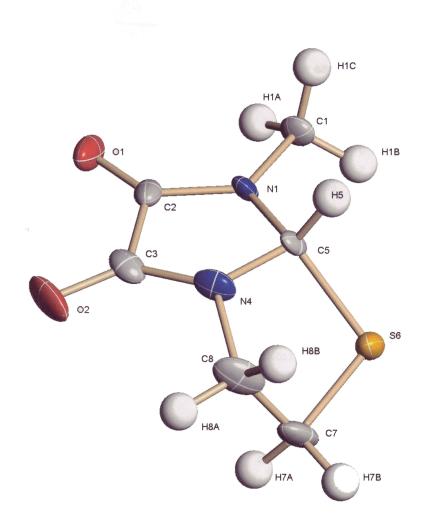












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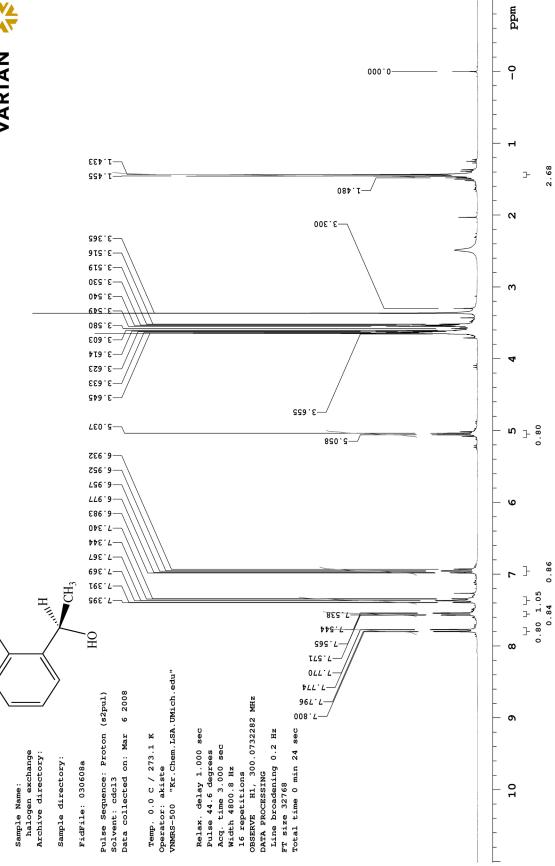
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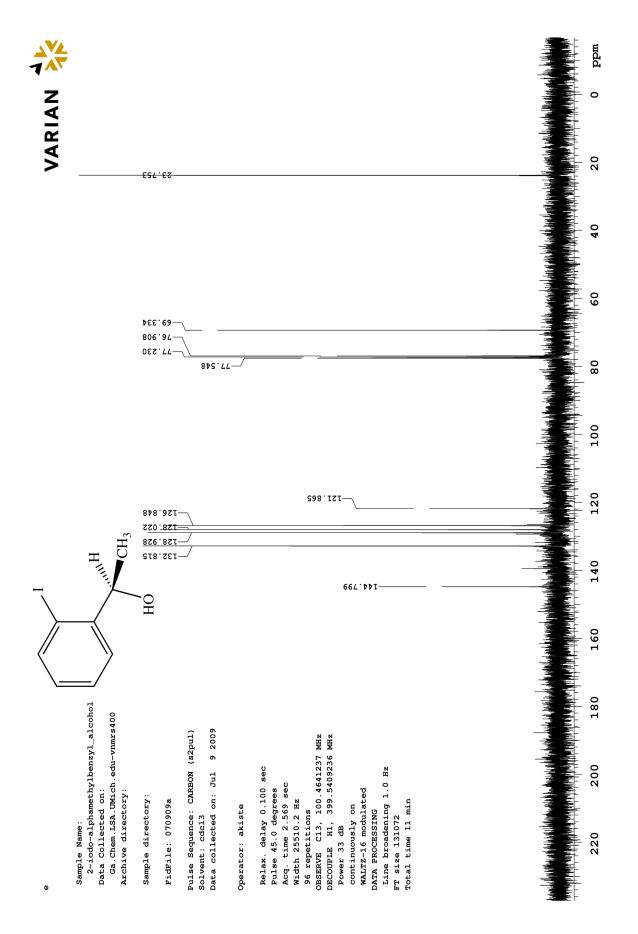
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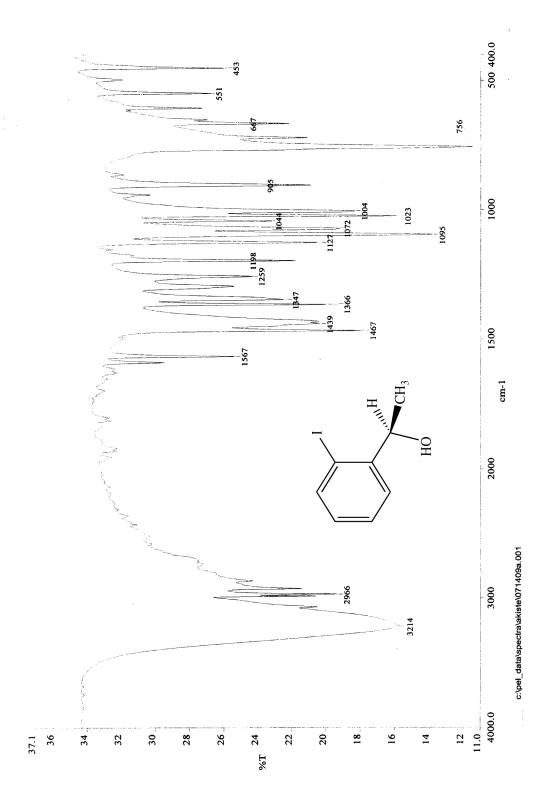
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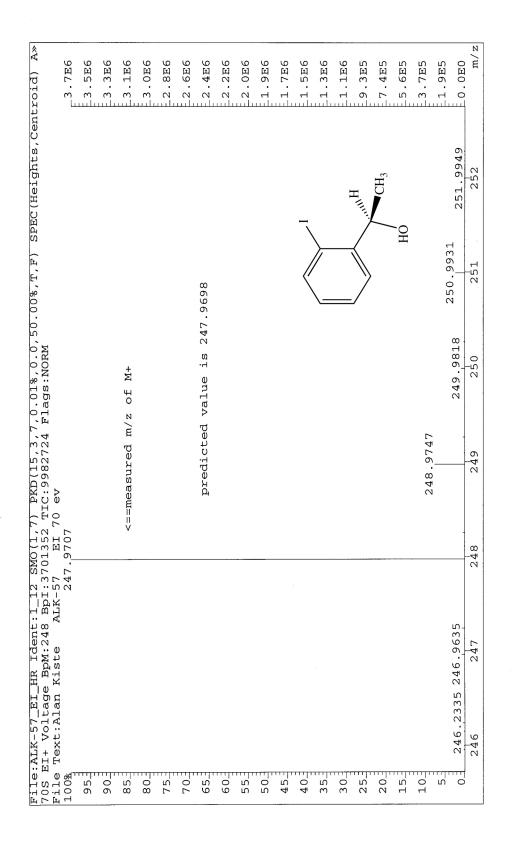
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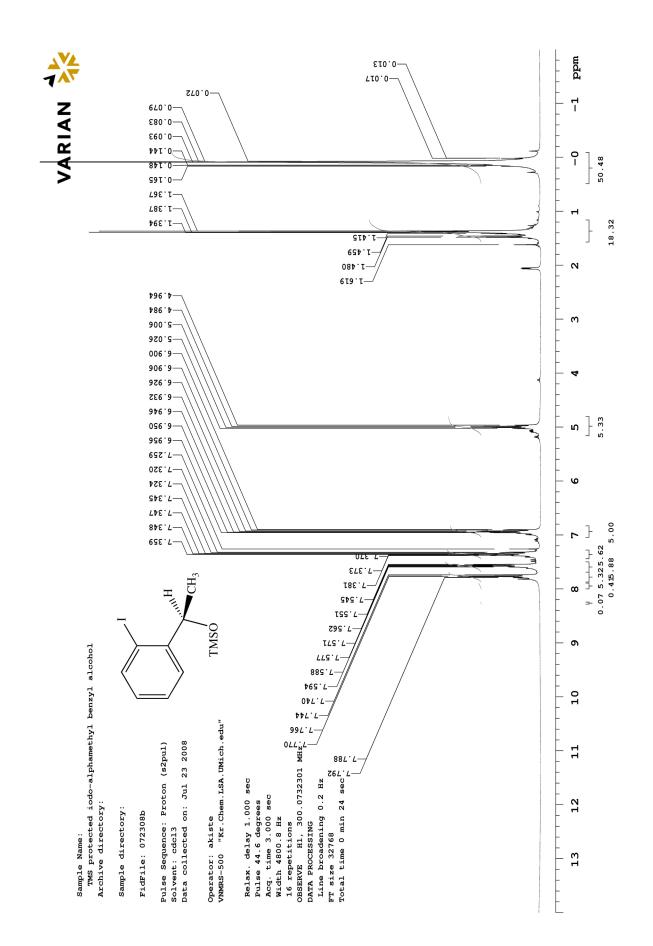




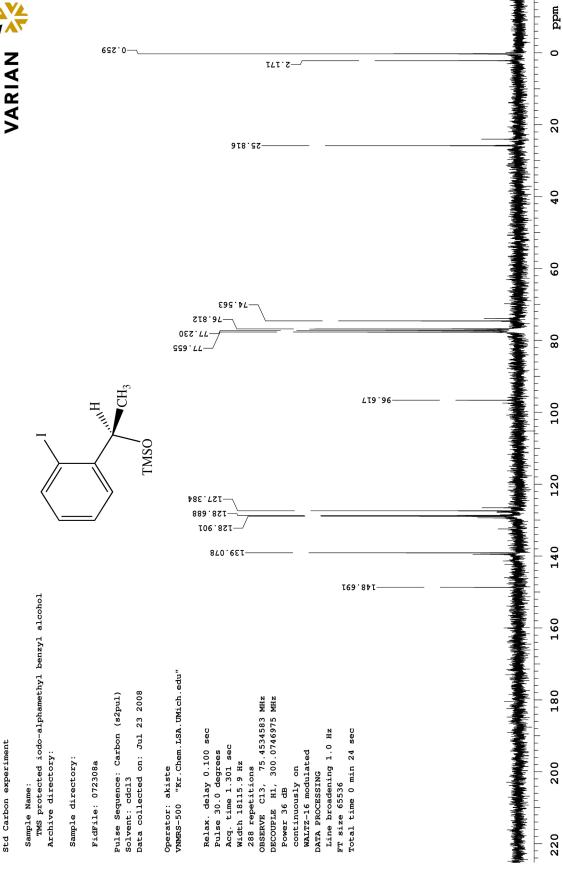


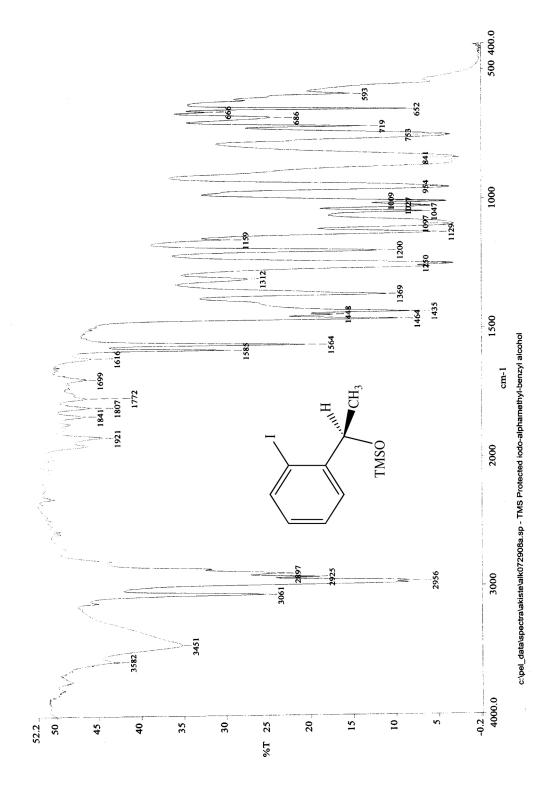


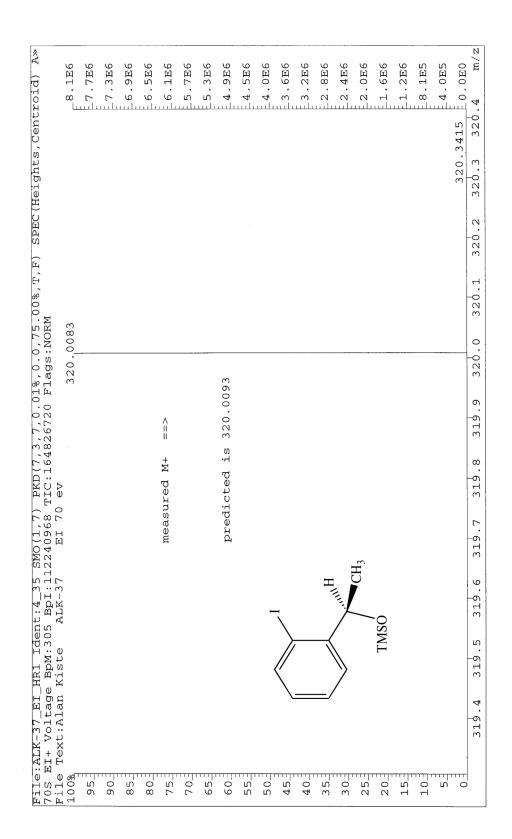


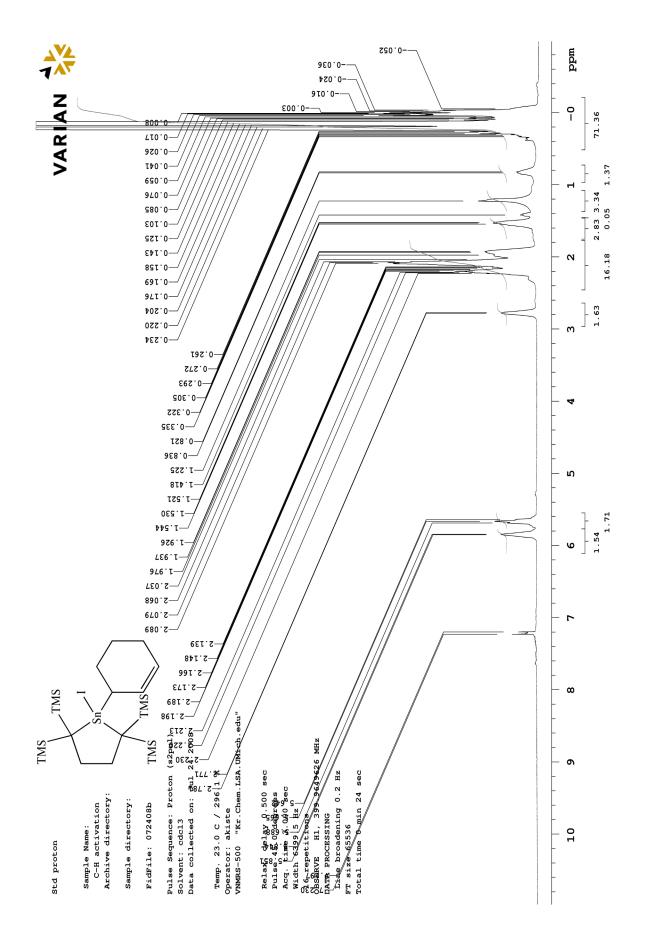




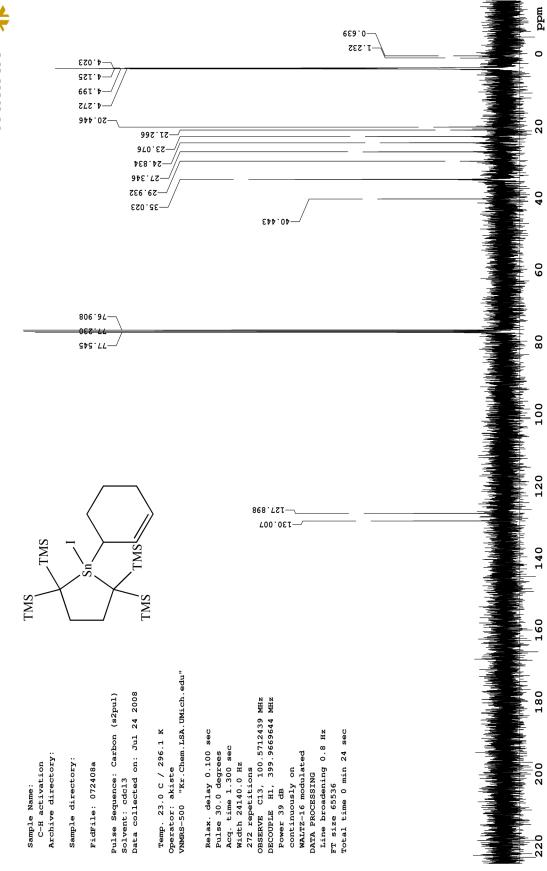


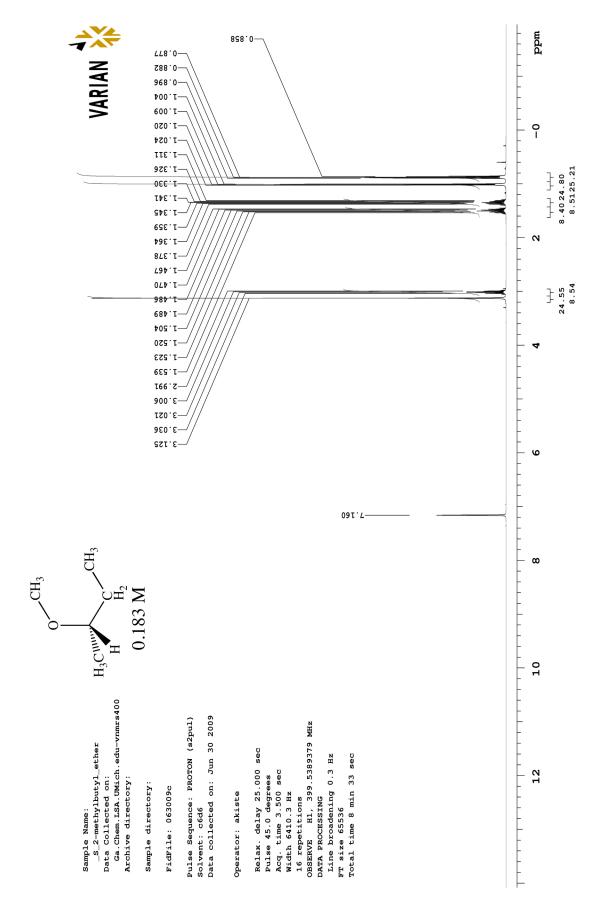


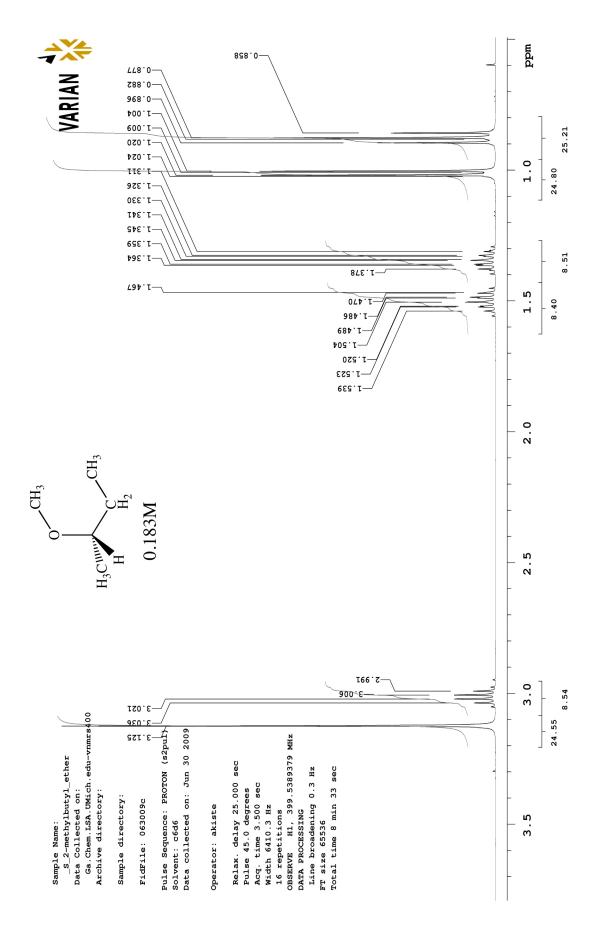


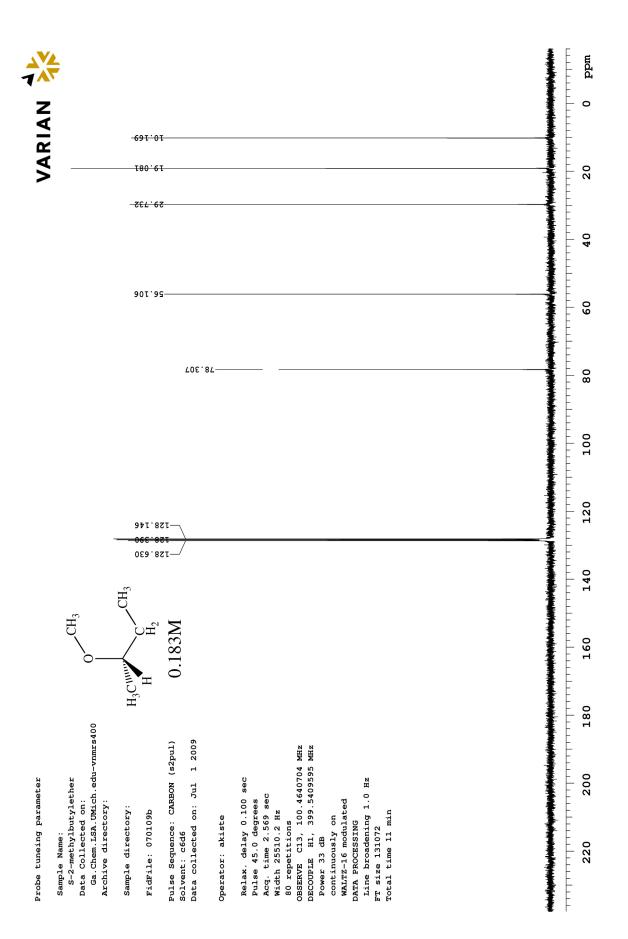


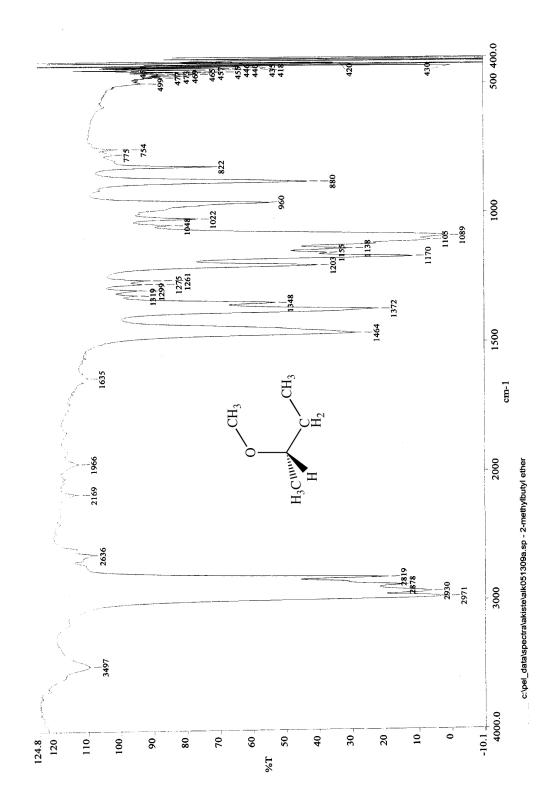
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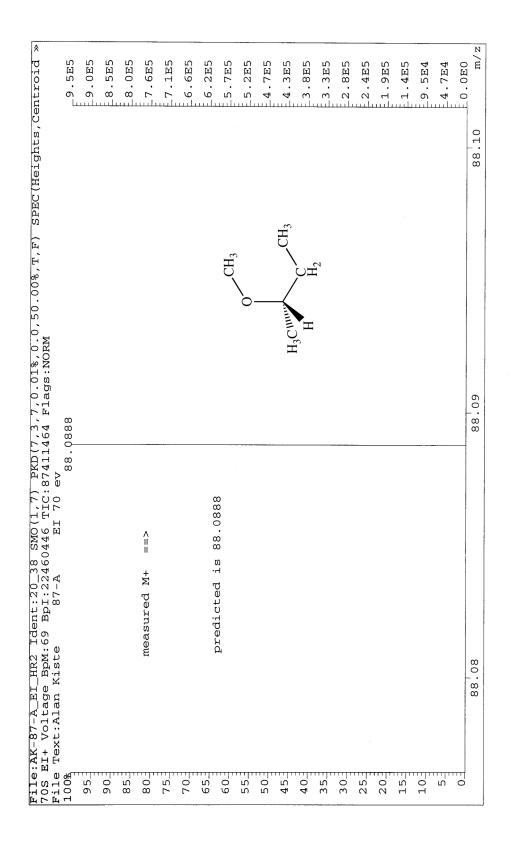


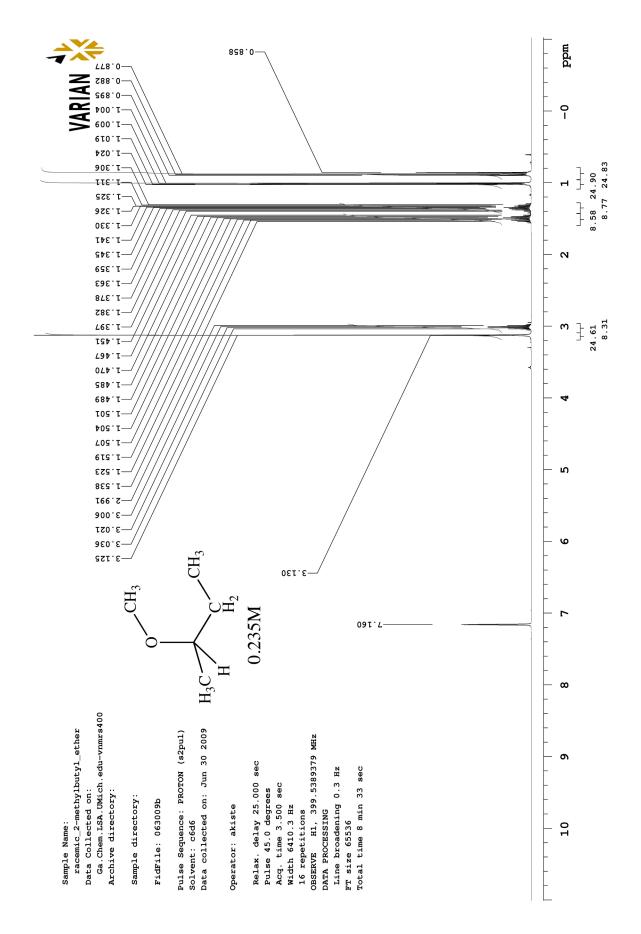


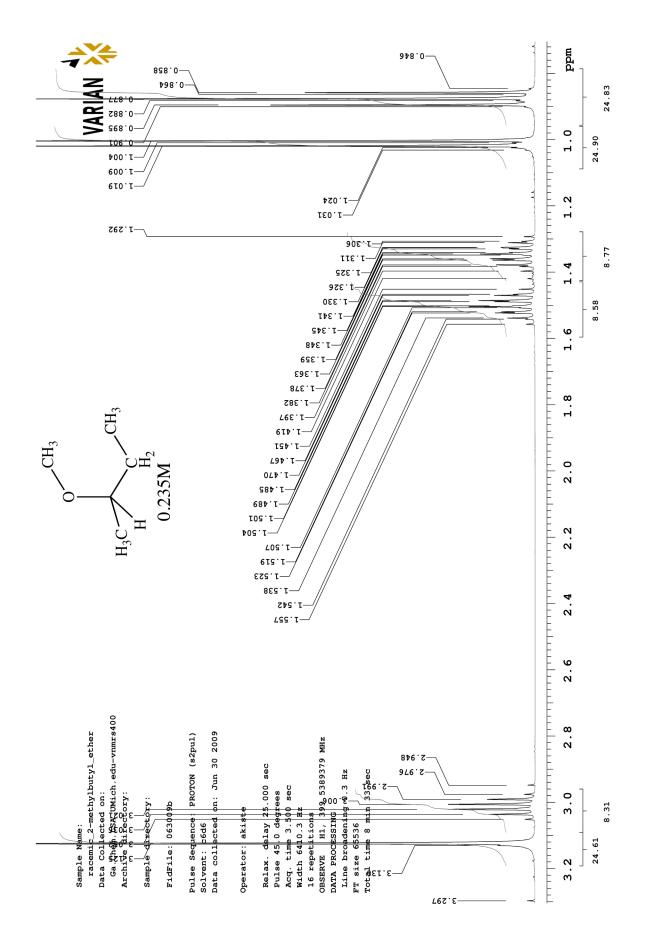


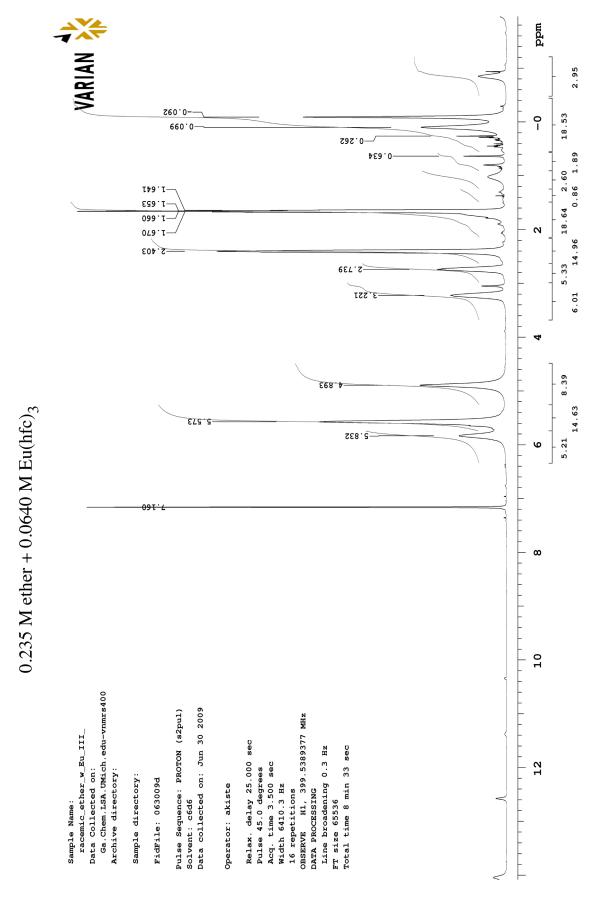


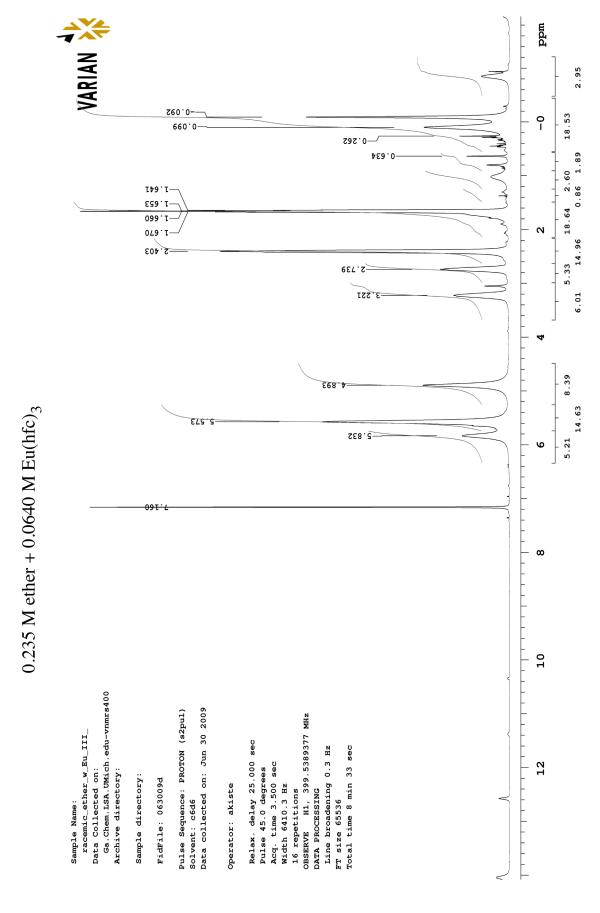


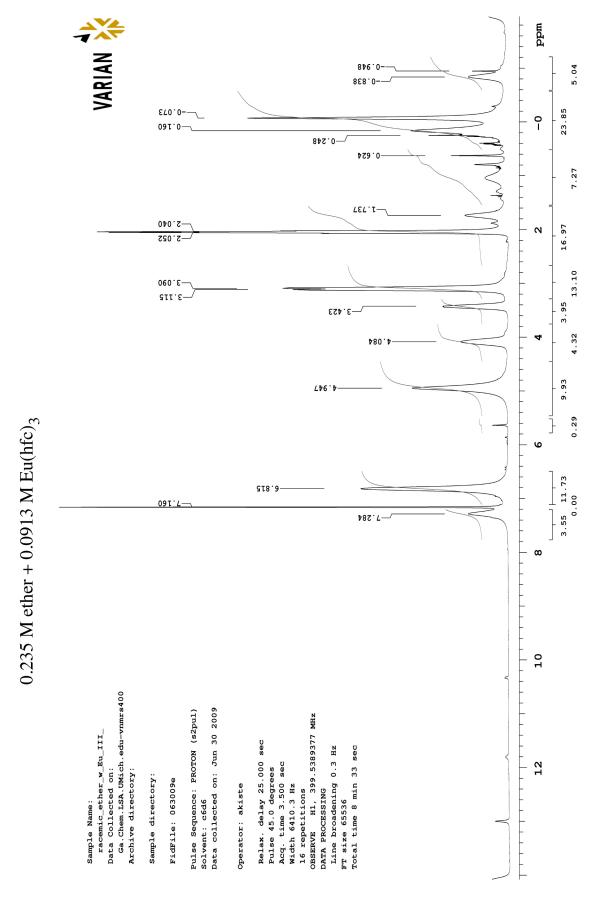


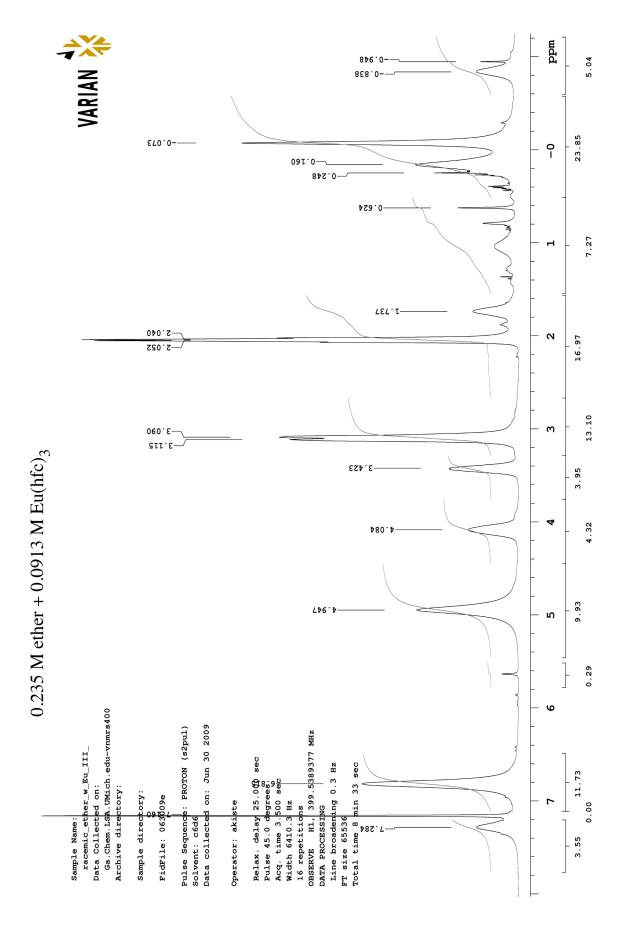


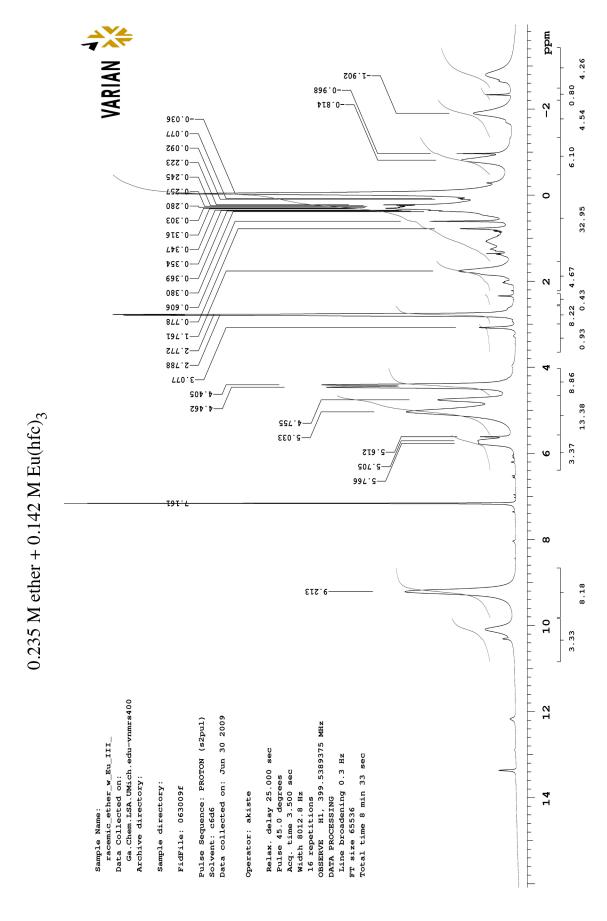


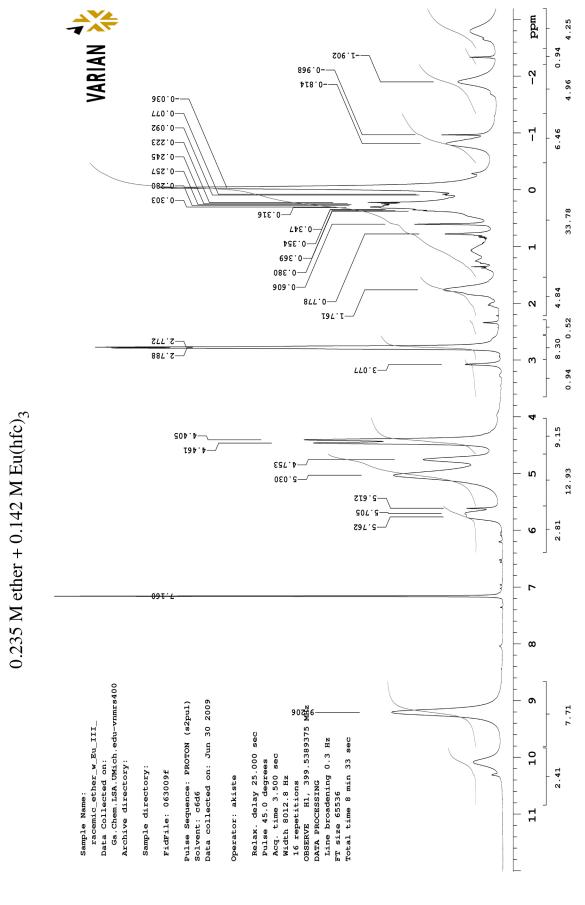


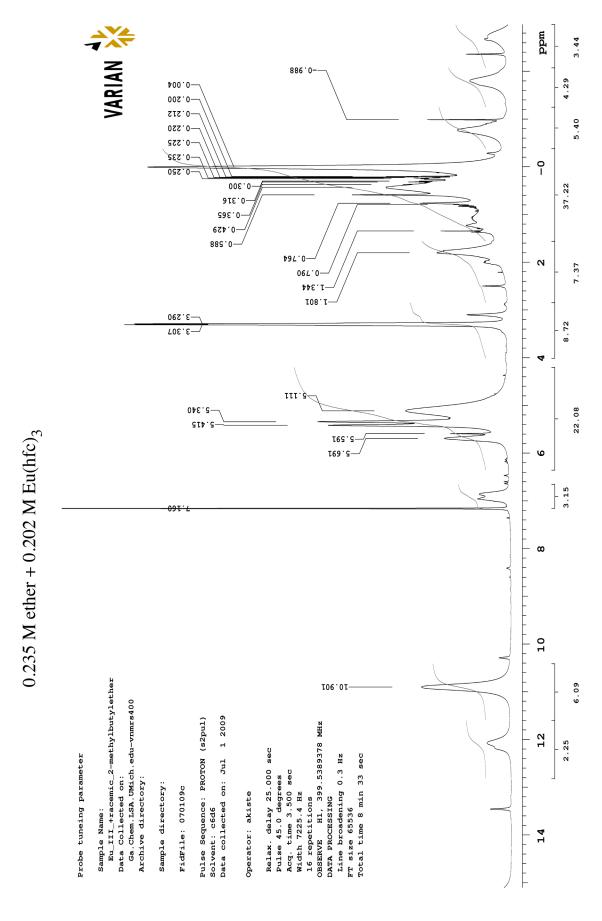


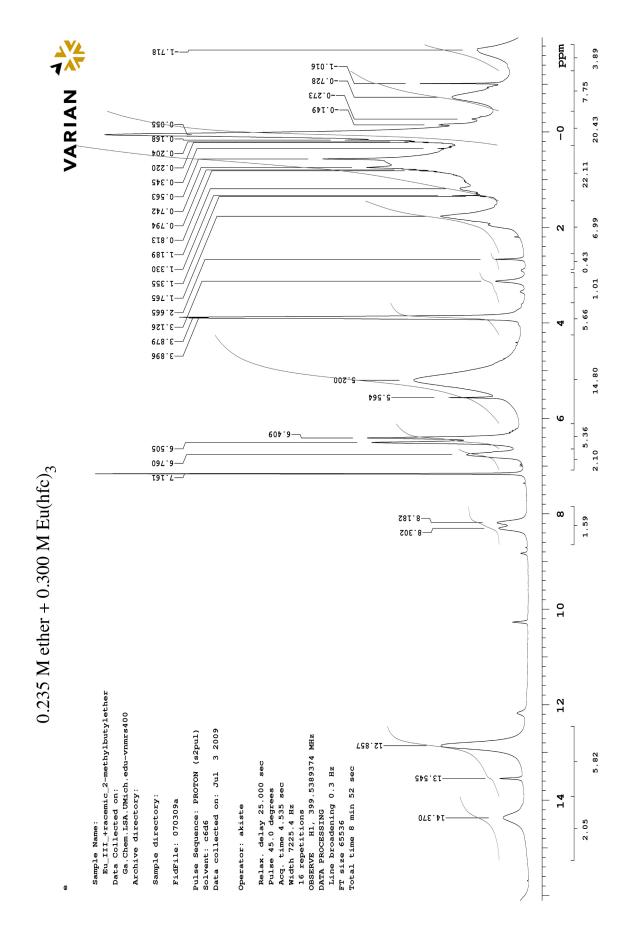


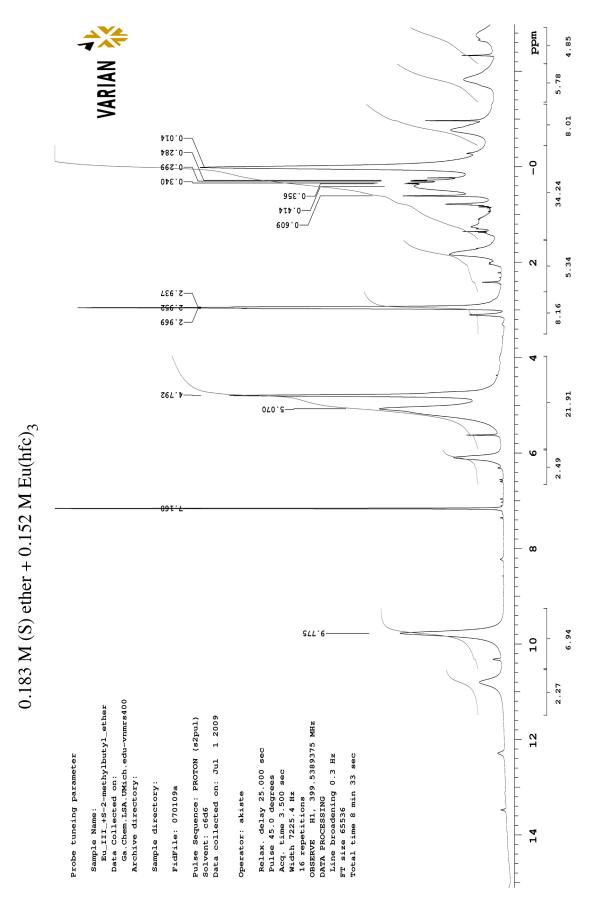




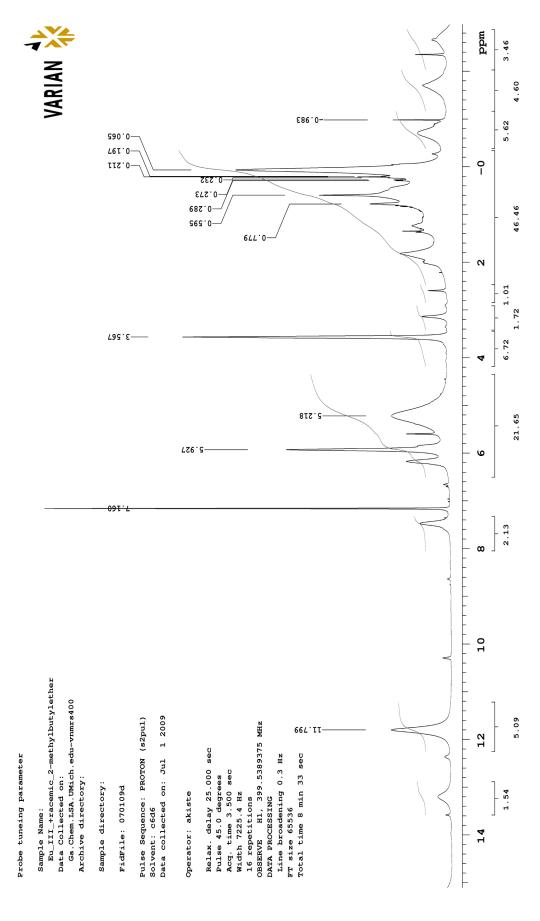


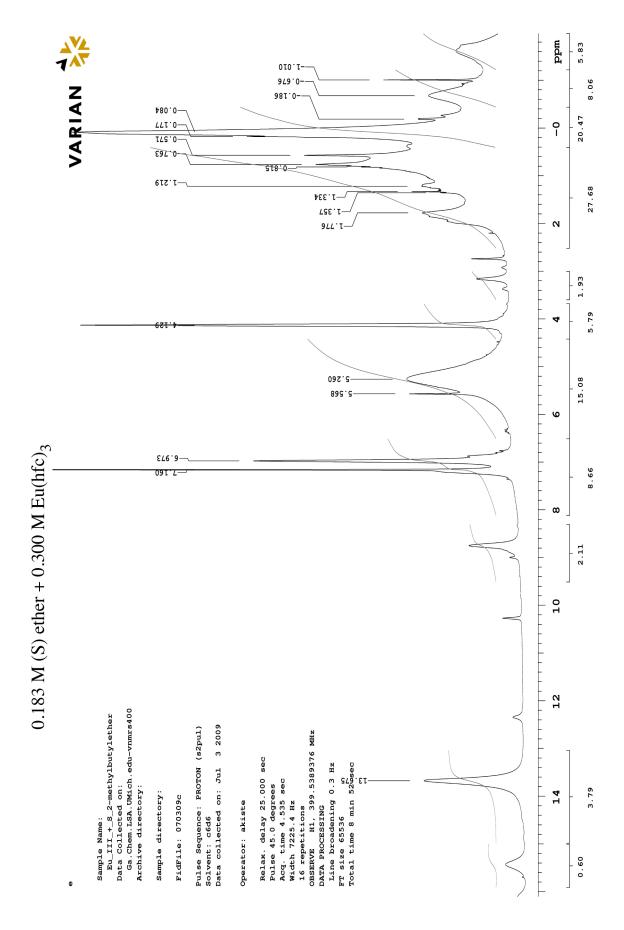




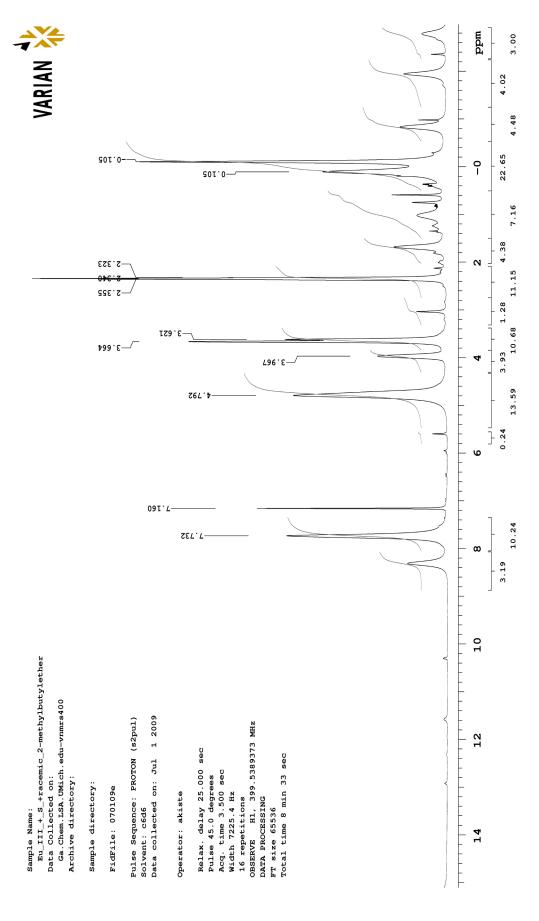


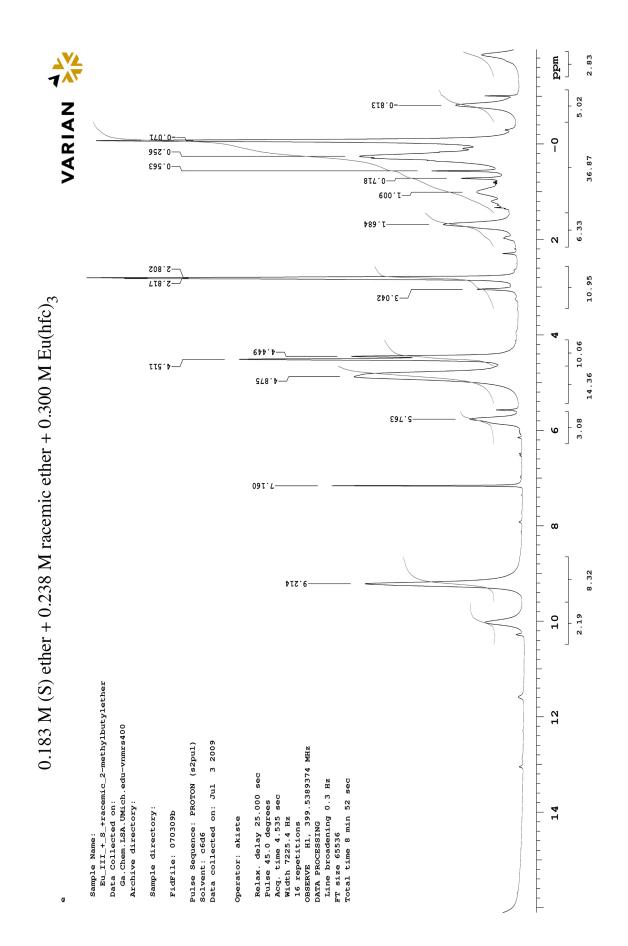
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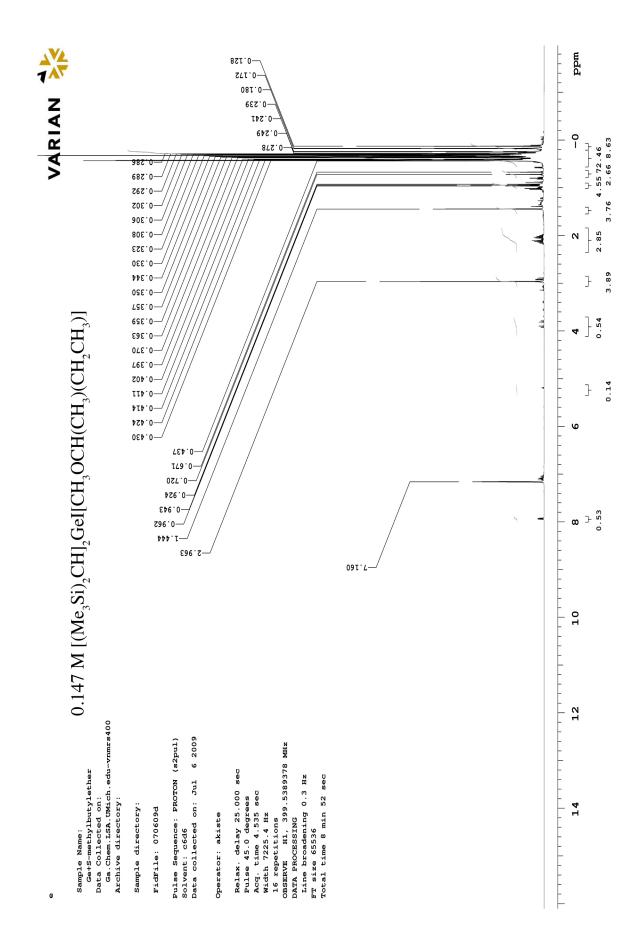


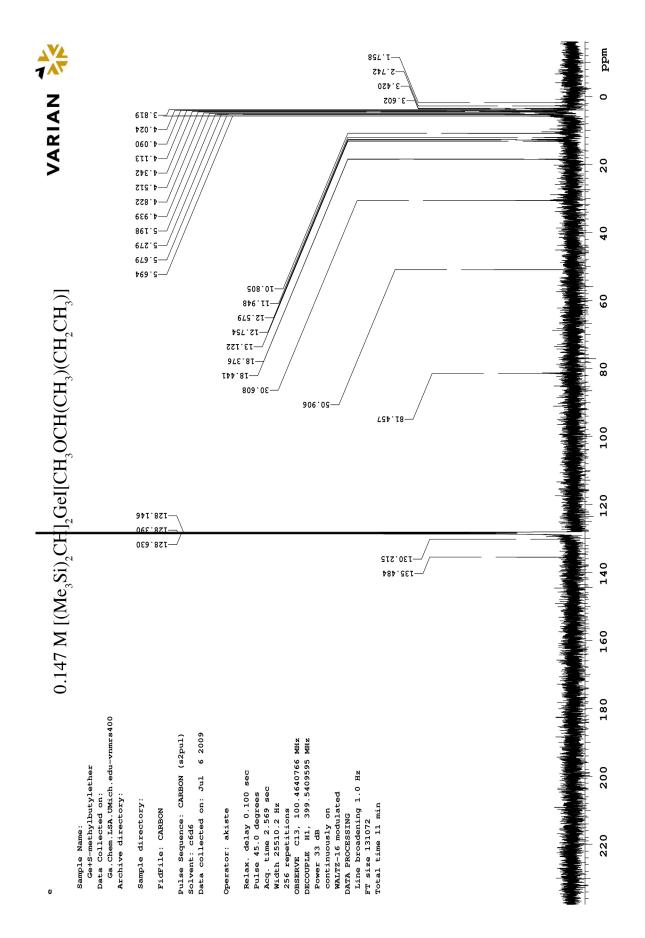


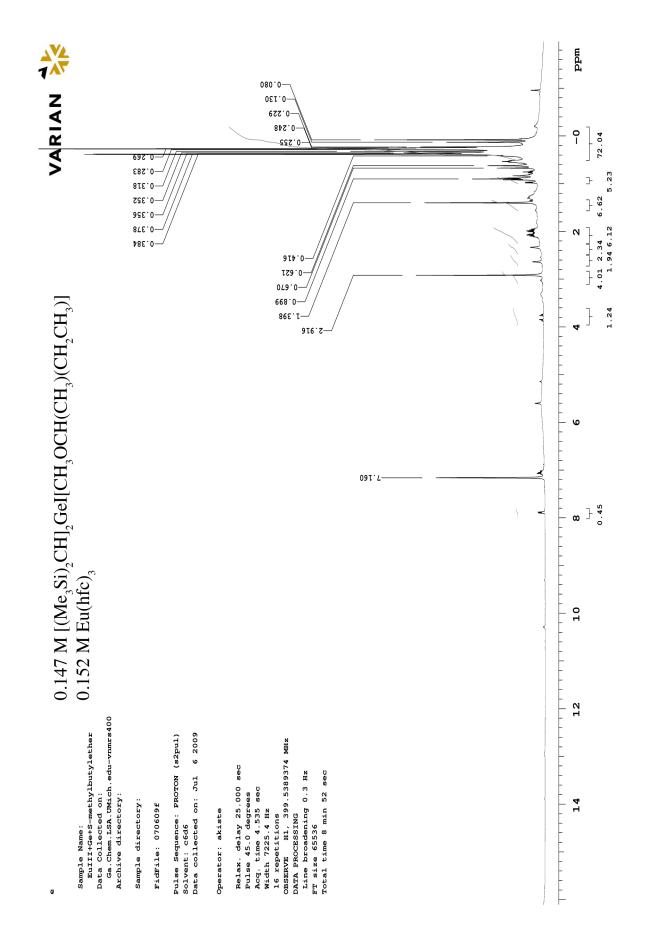
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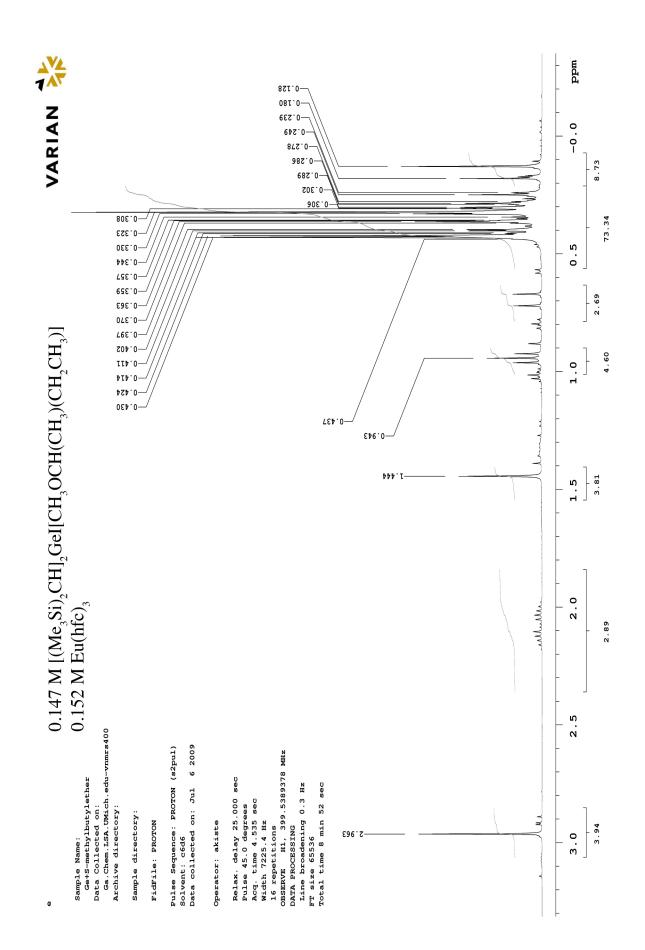














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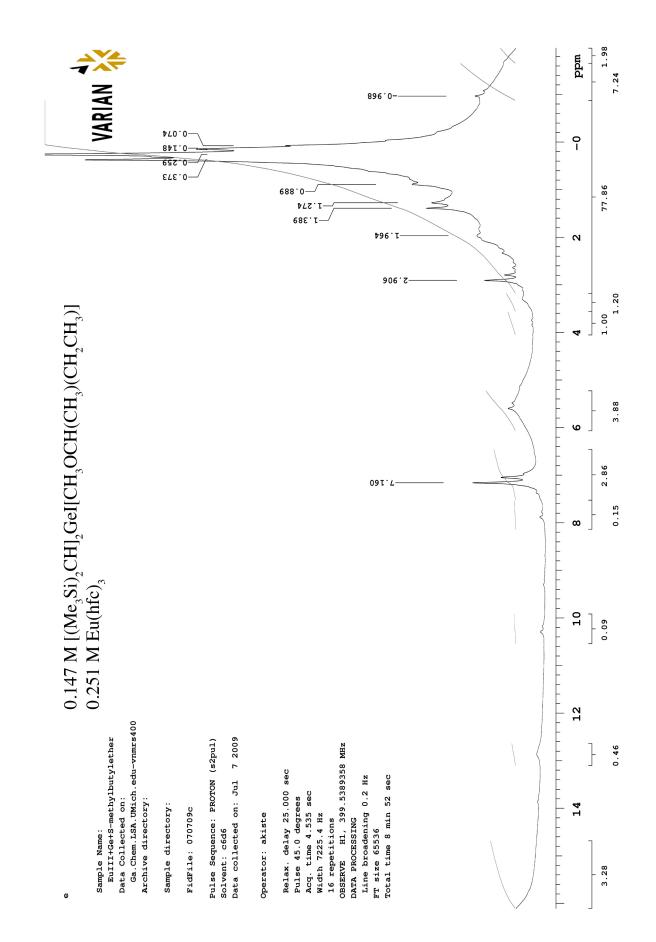
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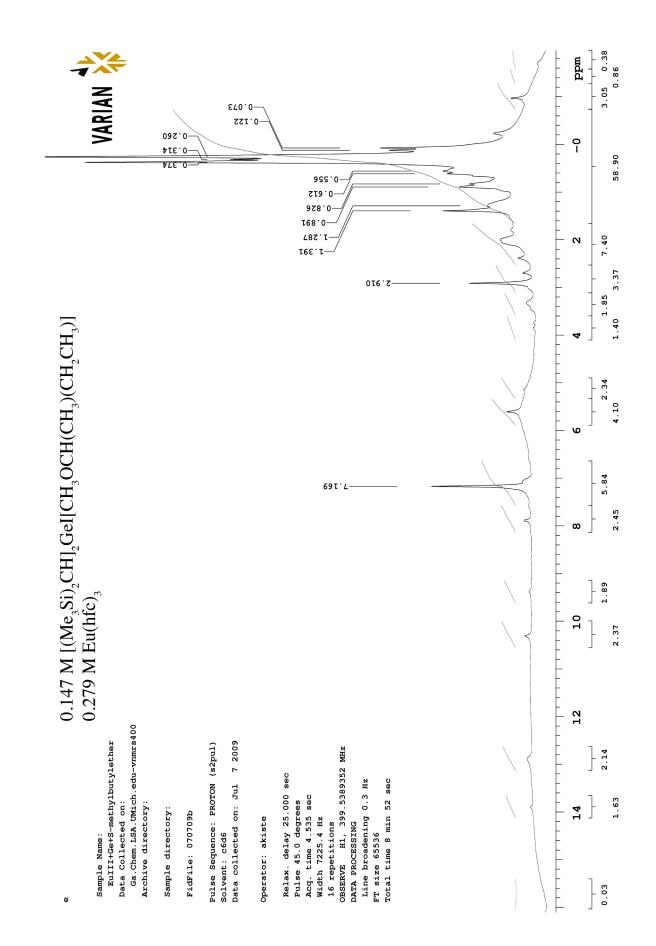
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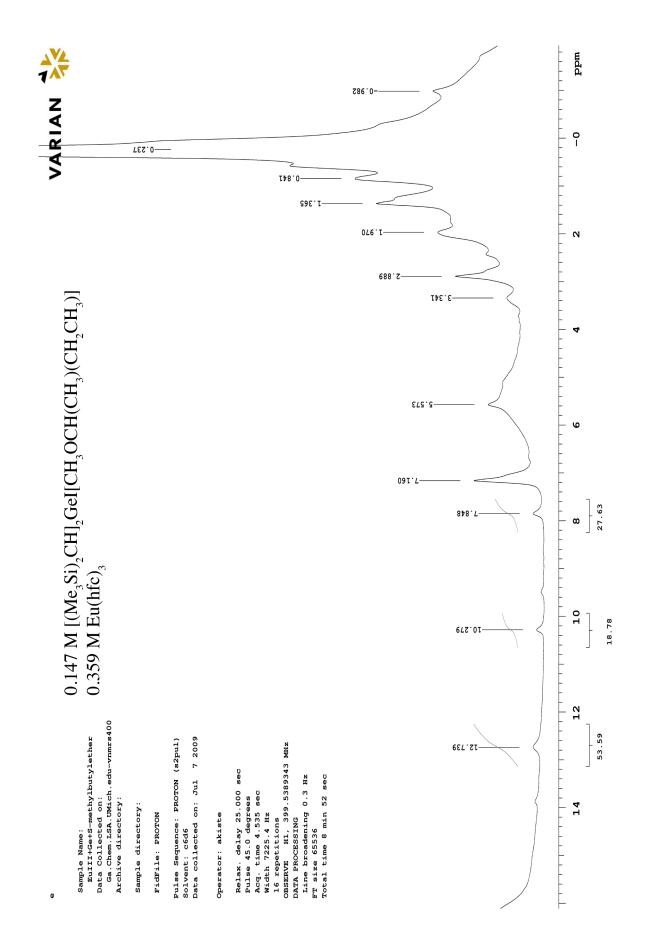
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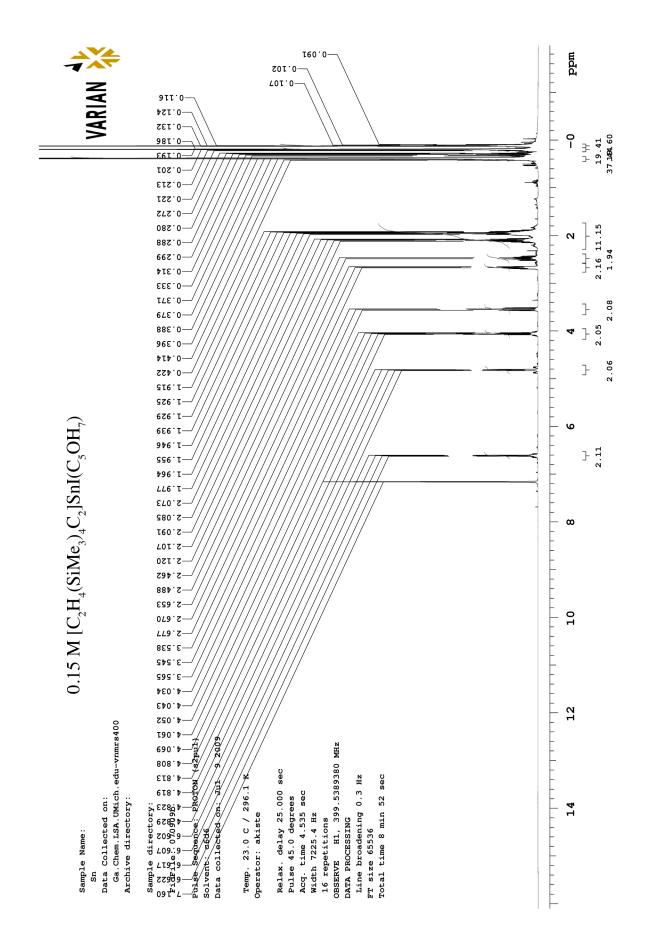
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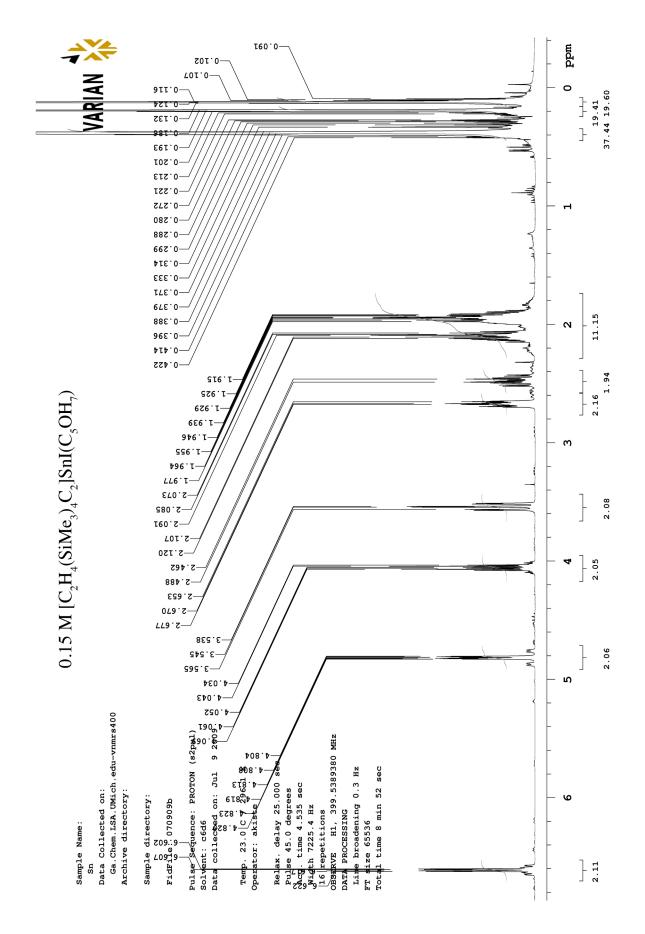
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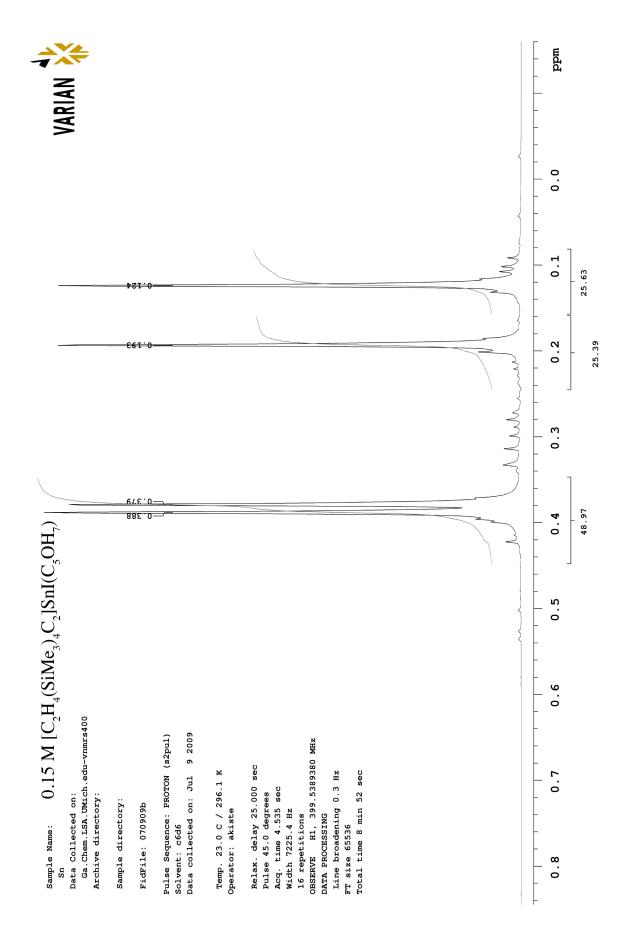


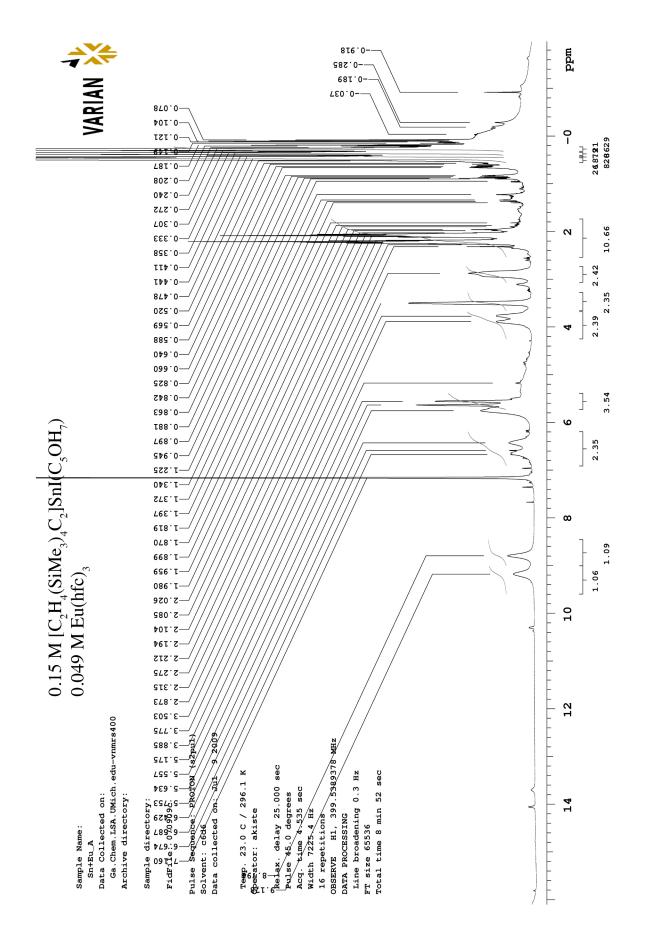


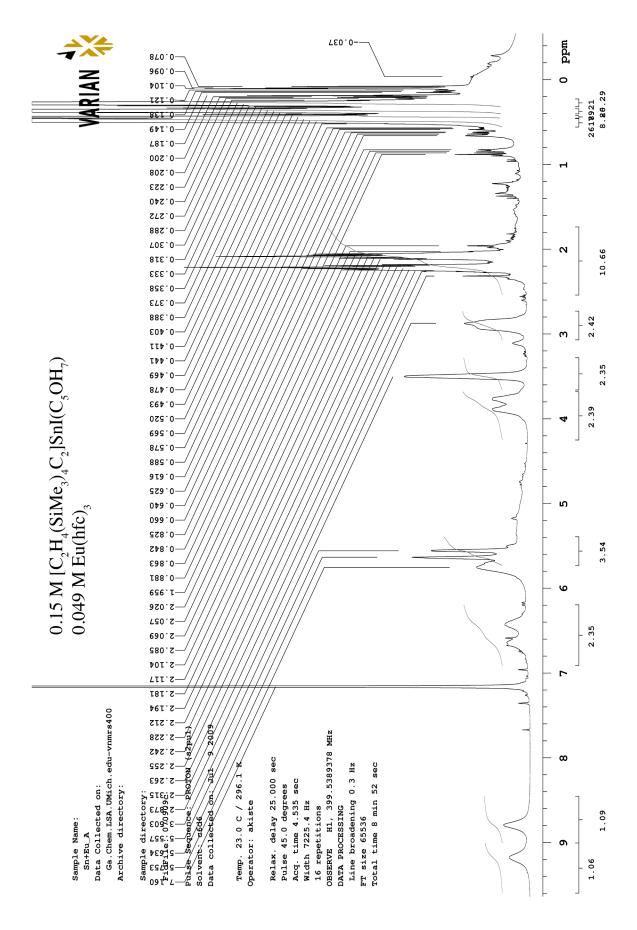




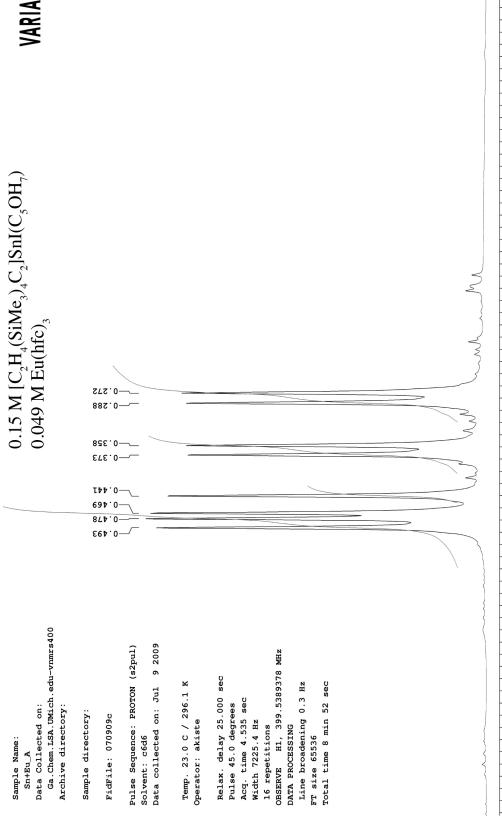












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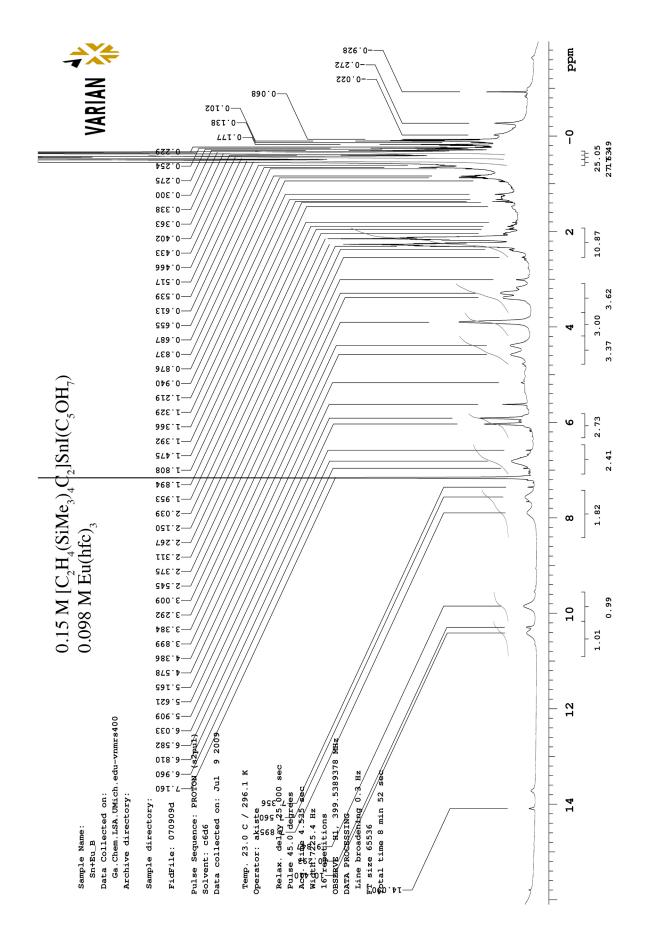
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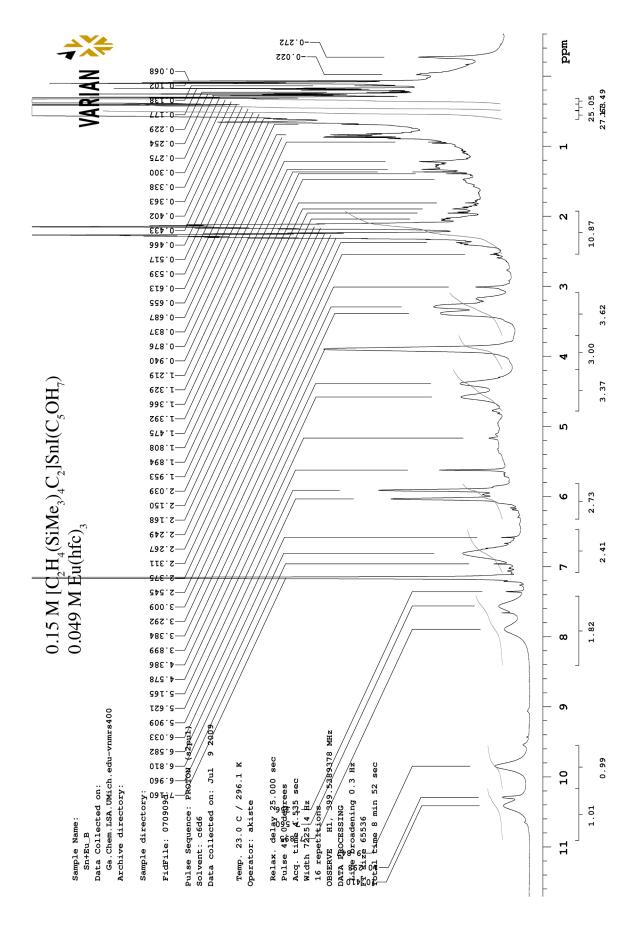
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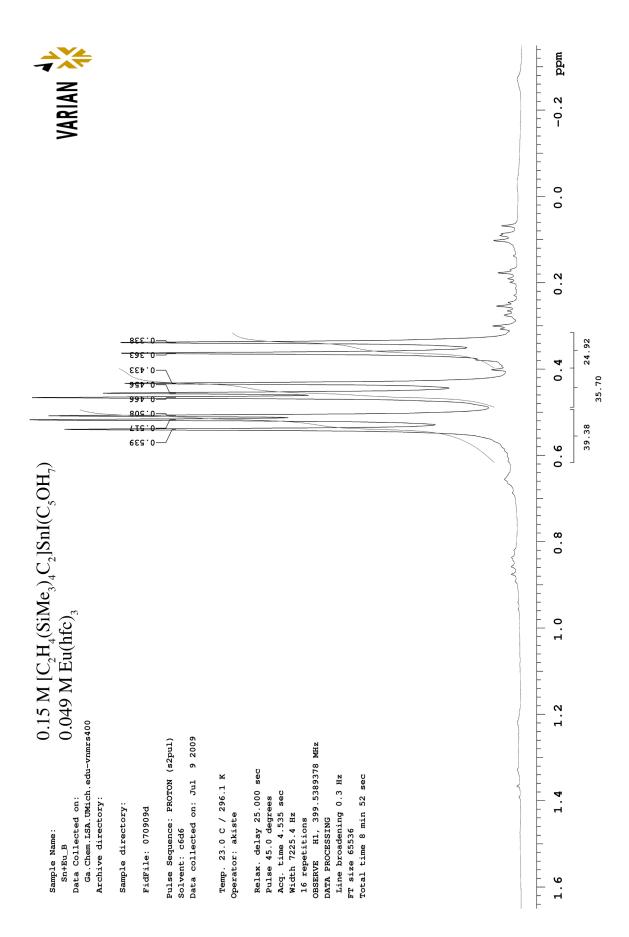
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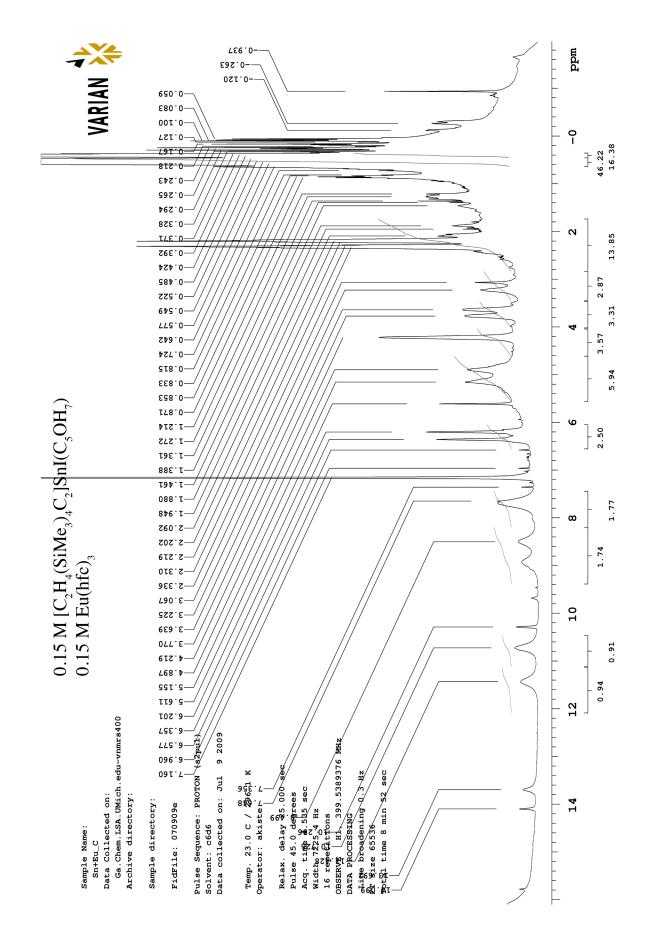
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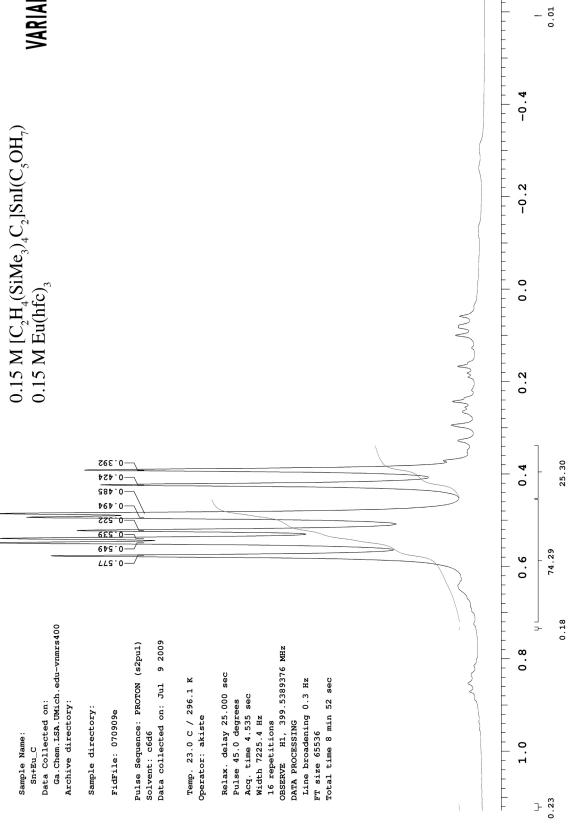




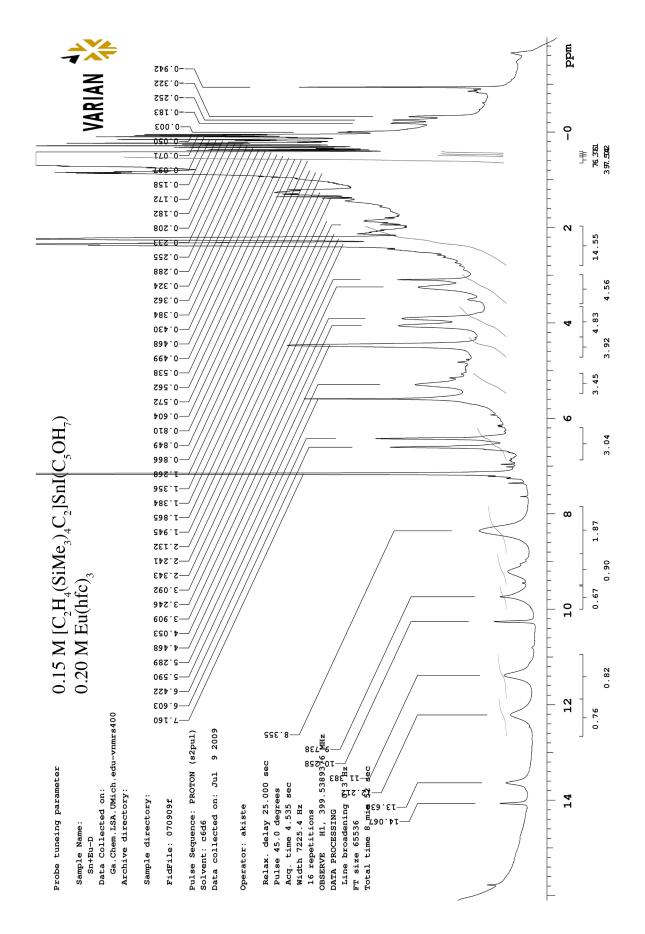


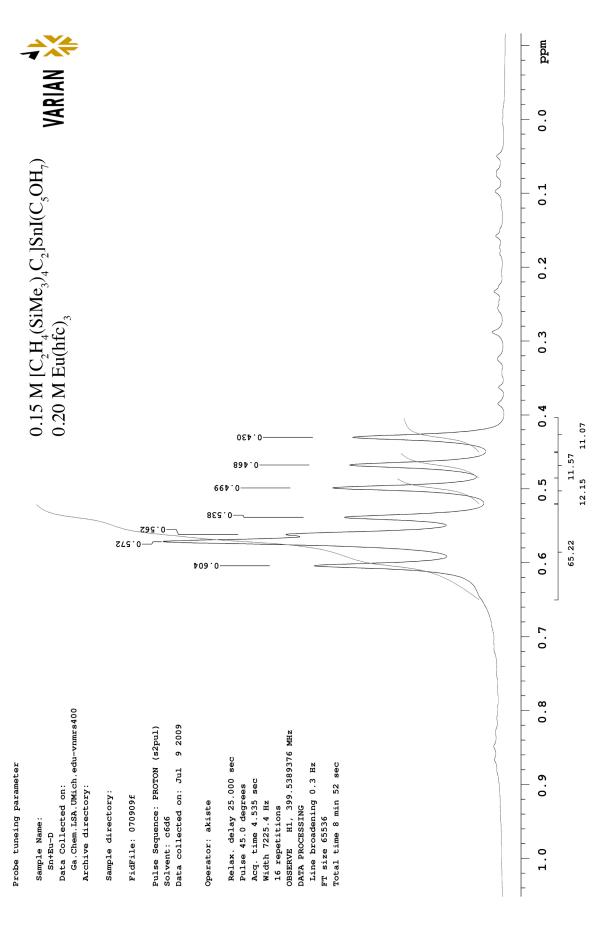






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