

Spectroscopy Reference Sheet

Unsaturated Number $UN = \frac{(2C + 2) - (H + N) - X}{2}$ C = Carbon H = Hydrogen
N = Nitrogen X = Halides

Common Unsaturated Numbers:

- UN = 0 - NO π Bonds Present
- UN = 1 - Double Bond OR Ring
- UN = 4 - Benzene Ring (3 Double Bond + Ring)
 - Check ^1H NMR or IR for confirmation.
- UN = 5 - Benzene Ring + Double Bond
 - Must confirm with ^1H NMR or IR

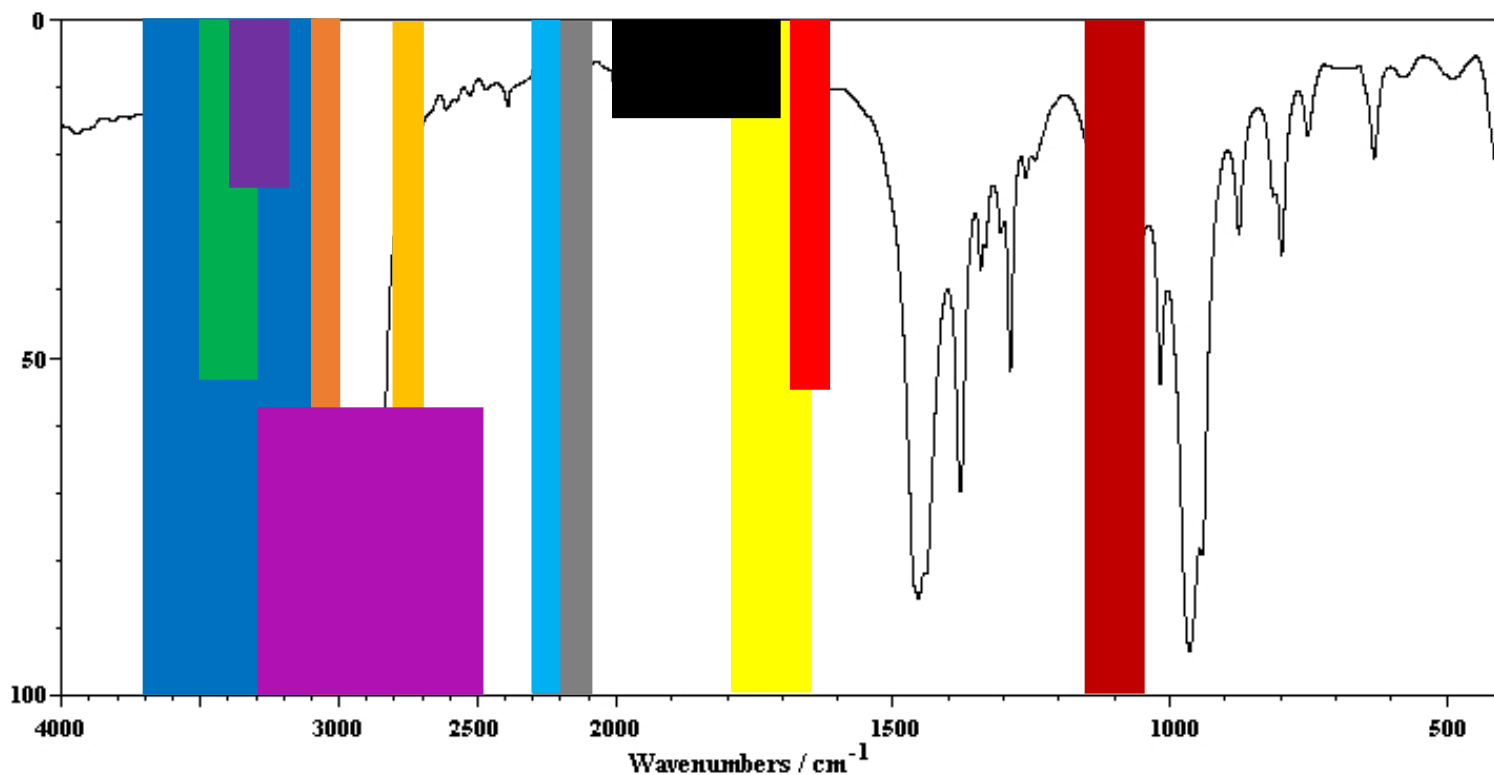
Uncommon Unsaturated Numbers:

ALL UN numbers below must confirm through IR and NMR Spectroscopy

- UN = 2 - Triple Bond, 2 Double Bonds, 2 Rings
 - Potential Combination: Double Bond & Ring
- UN = 3 - Combination: Triple bond, Rings, Double bonds
- UN = 6 - Benzene Ring + Combination
 - Potential Combination: See UN = 2

IR Spectroscopy

Absorbance / %

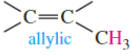
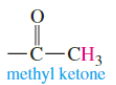
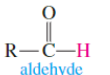
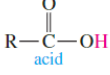
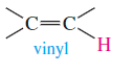


- Dark Red – Ether Group ($1050-1150\text{ cm}^{-1}$)
- Light Red – Double Bond ($1620-1680\text{ cm}^{-1}$)
- Dark Orange – Terminal Alkene ($3000-3100\text{ cm}^{-1}$)
- Light Orange – Aldehyde Group ($2700-2800\text{ cm}^{-1}$, 2 Peaks)
- Yellow – Carbonyl Group ($1750-1850\text{ cm}^{-1}$)
- Green – Amine Group ($3300-3500\text{ cm}^{-1}$)
 - 1° Amine – 2 Peaks
 - 2° Amine – 1 Peaks
 - 3° Amine – 0 Peaks
- Light Blue – Nitrile Group ($2200-2300\text{ cm}^{-1}$)
- Dark Blue – Alcohol Group ($3100-3700\text{ cm}^{-1}$, broad)
- Light Violet – Carboxylic Alcohol Group ($2500-3300\text{ cm}^{-1}$, broad)
- Dark Violet – Terminal Alkyne ($3200-3400\text{ cm}^{-1}$)
- Gray – Triple Bond ($2100-2200\text{ cm}^{-1}$)
- Black – Benzene Ring – Outdated (Multiple Peaks, $1700-2000\text{ cm}^{-1}$)

Possible IR Combinations:

- Carbonyl + Alcohol = Carboxylic Acid
- Carbonyl + Amine = Amide
- Carbonyl + Ether = Ester

¹H NMR Spectroscopy

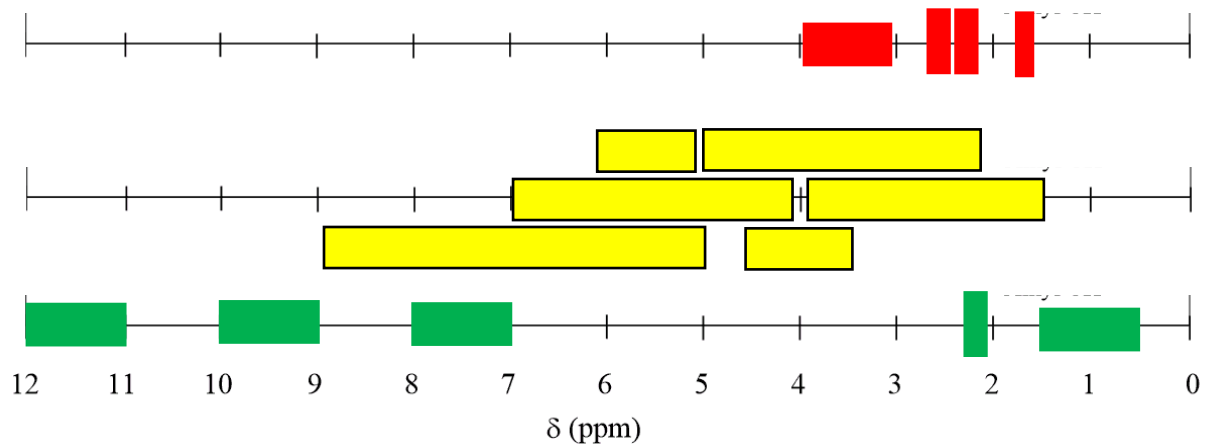
Type of Proton	Approximate δ	Type of Proton	Approximate δ
alkane (—CH ₃) methyl	0.9	 allylic	1.7
alkane (—CH ₂ —) methylene	1.3	Ph—H aromatic	7.2
alkane (—CH—) methine	1.4	Ph—CH ₃ benzylic	2.3
 methyl ketone	2.1	 aldehyde	9-10
—C≡C—H acetylenic	2.5	 acid	10-12
R—CH ₂ —X (X = halogen, O)	3-4	R—OH alcohol	variable, about 2-5
 vinyl	5-6	Ar—OH phenol	variable, about 4-7
		R—NH ₂ amine	variable, about 1.5-4

Additional Proton NMR Ranges:

R-O-R-H ether – 3.4-4.5 δ

N-H amide – 5-9 δ

- Green: Must expected to identify!
- Yellow: Must identify based on other peaks
- Red: Extraneous ppm peak indicators



How to read ¹H NMR

3H ← Number of Hydrogen bonded to a reference carbon

← Number of hydrogens bonded to an adjacent carbon bonded to the reference carbon

➤ Remember: (N+1) Rule! Find N for Hydrogen.

Common ¹H NMR Peaks

CAUTION: 6H, 5H, and double bonds can have varied peaks (watch your ppm!!)

Identifying Compound
ASK YOURSELF:

- Does a certain bond cause a downfield or upfield?
- Did you identify all atoms given?
- Is there peaks where I can combine what the peaks mean?
- Is there any bonds symmetrical for this compound?