

Diversity of NMR Line-Shapes

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ChemAdder line-shape can be composed from of the following terms:

- Lorentzian(%).
- Gaussian(% , global or proton specific).
- Asymmetry (% , global or proton specific).
- Dispersion (% , not very useful).
- Out-of-Coil (Hz), useful for benchtop and if the spectrum contains strong or broad signals.
- Virtual couplings (Hz, nuclei specific), if there are long-range couplings (like in steroids) the origin of which is unclear.
- Isotope shifts (¹³C, Cl, Si, S) (ppm), if the H,¹³C couplings are removed by decoupling, there remain ¹³C isotope shifts, which may lead to a visible 1-3% shoulder at the high field (right) sides of the proton signals. Significant, for example, for glucose in biofluids.
- Fourier correction (33 terms) for observed-calculated difference, can be used to decrease RRMS and to reveal impurity signals under the target compound spectrum.
- Some essential signals, like TMS, TSP, DSS, Maleic acid, dimethyl sulfone, may have a special isotopic structure demanding a specific QM model ...see QMSA Letters.

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Fourier correction* of observed-calculated difference spectrum:

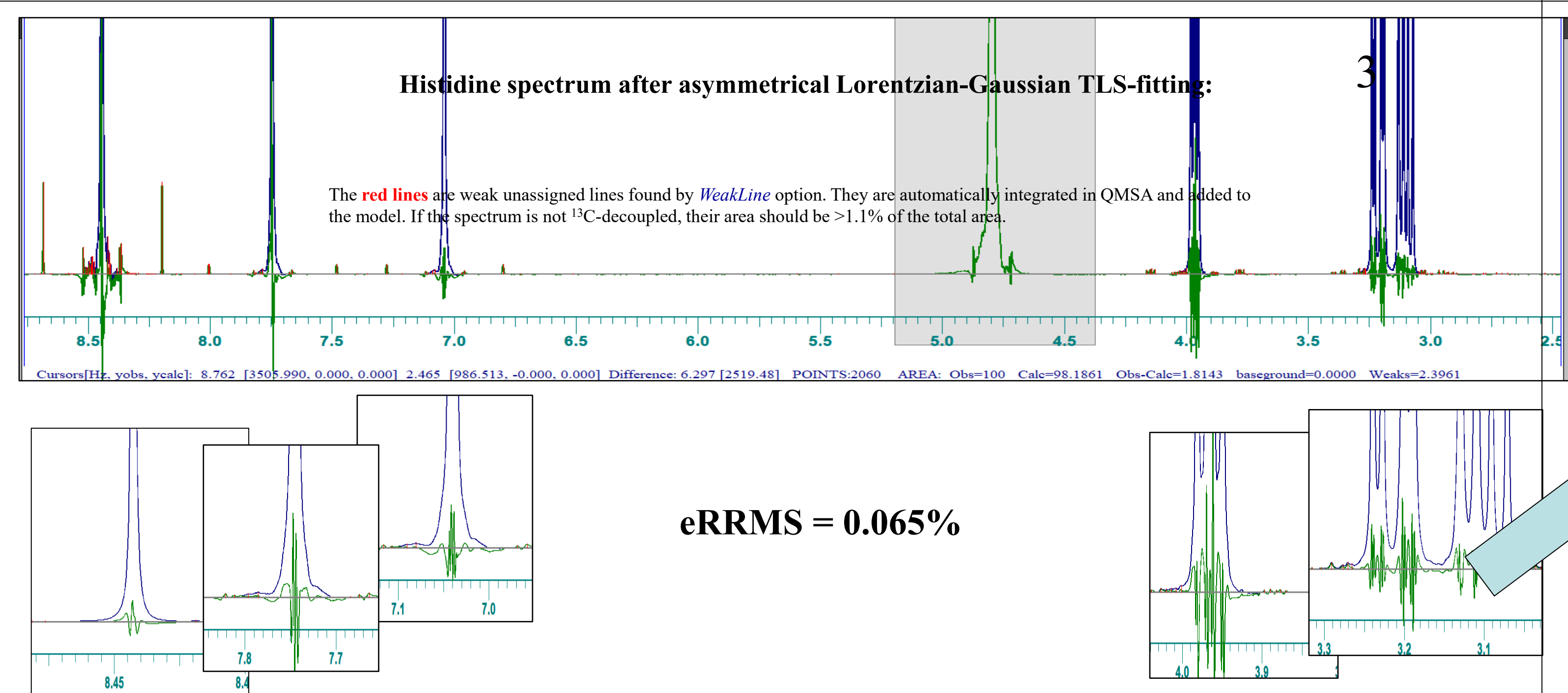
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The **observed-calculated spectrum** can be fitted by n-terms (max. 33/proton) **Fourier function**, which can be then subtracted from the observed spectrum.

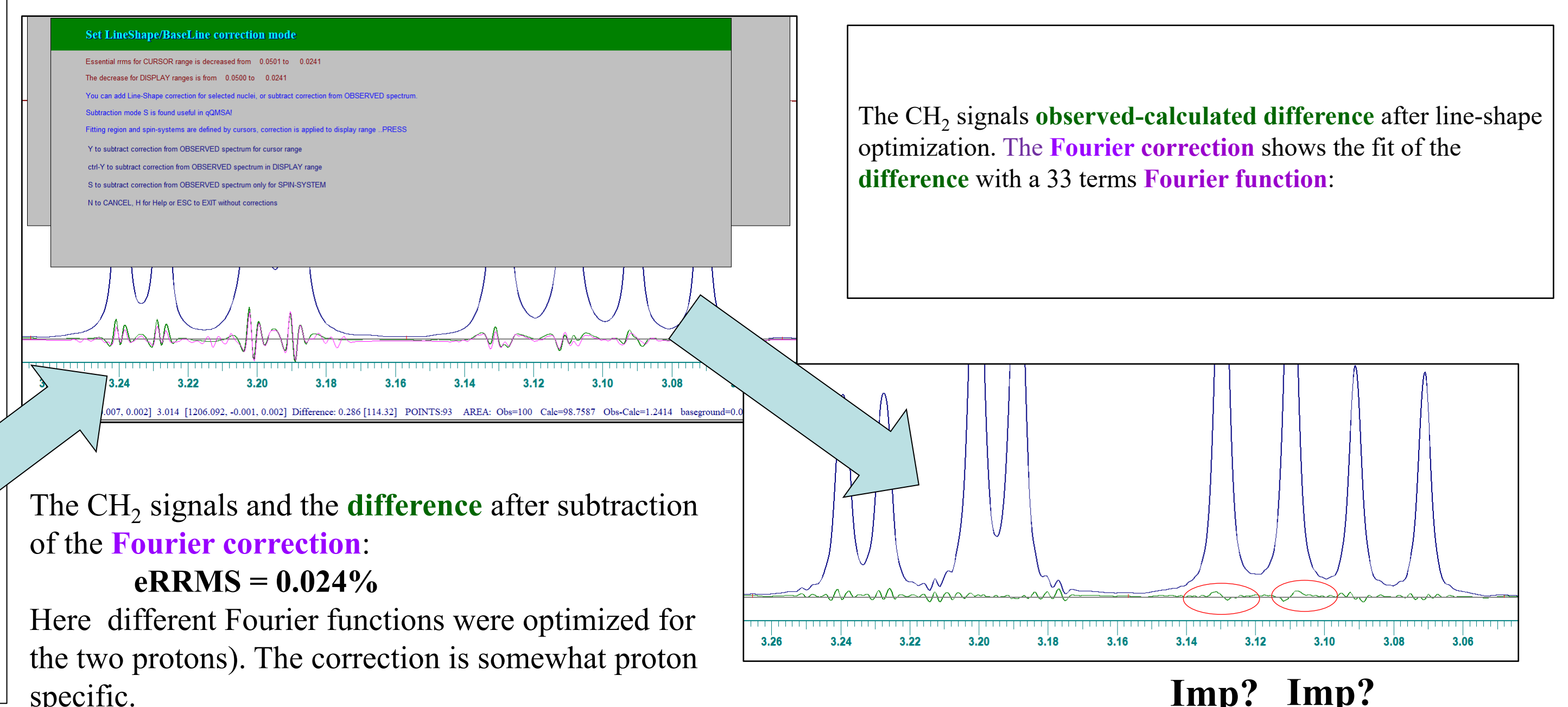
If the **Fourier correction** was the same for every line and the QM model perfect (= all the long-range couplings correct, the line-shape same for every line or species, etc), the subtraction should lead to zero difference! Unfortunately, this is seldom the case, but the subtraction typically leads to 40-70% decrease in eRRMS.

In principle, the subtraction should not remove impurity signals! However, if the correction is done for one multiplet, it may decrease the eRRMS by >90%, but at the same time it may remove the impurity signals hiding under the multiplet!!

*The ChemAdder *Fourier correction*’ is more than a straightforward Fourier expansion and is under tuning.



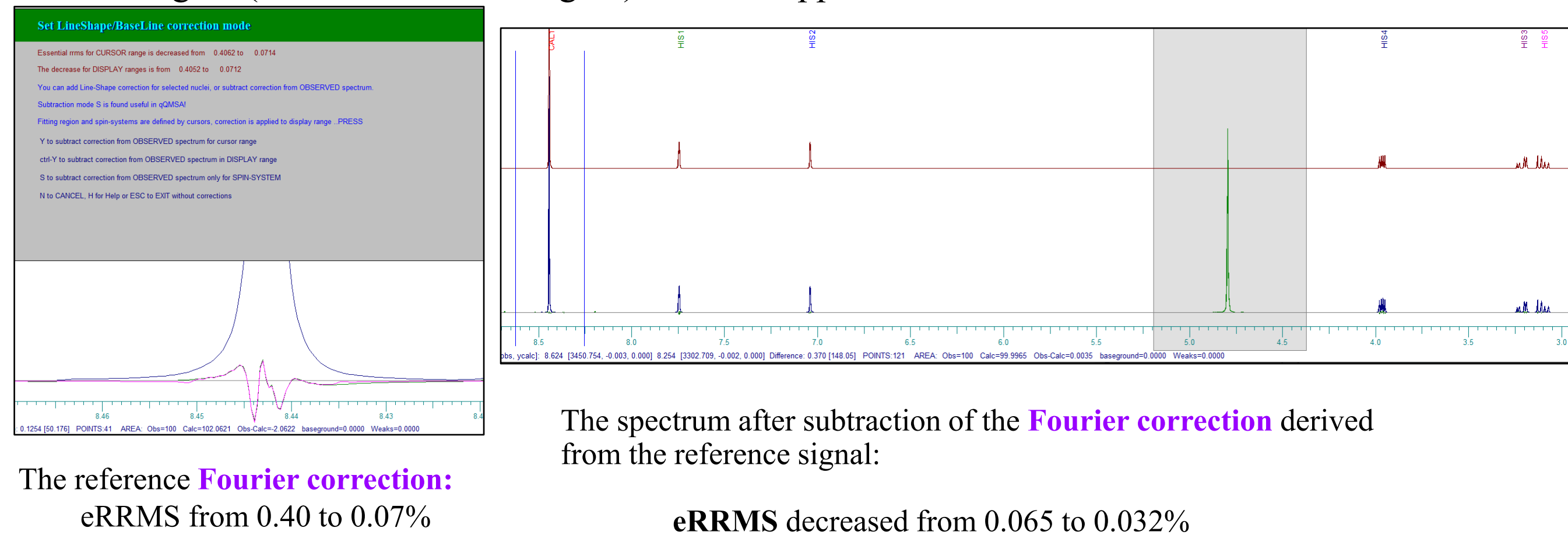
Histidine spectrum after **FOURIER** correction:



The CH₂ signals and the **difference** after subtraction of the **Fourier correction**:
eRRMS = 0.024%
Here different Fourier functions were optimized for the two protons). The correction is somewhat proton specific.

However (next page)...

...a fair decrease of RRMS is obtained also when the **correction** is derived from a well-defined signal (here the reference signal) and then applied for all the lines:



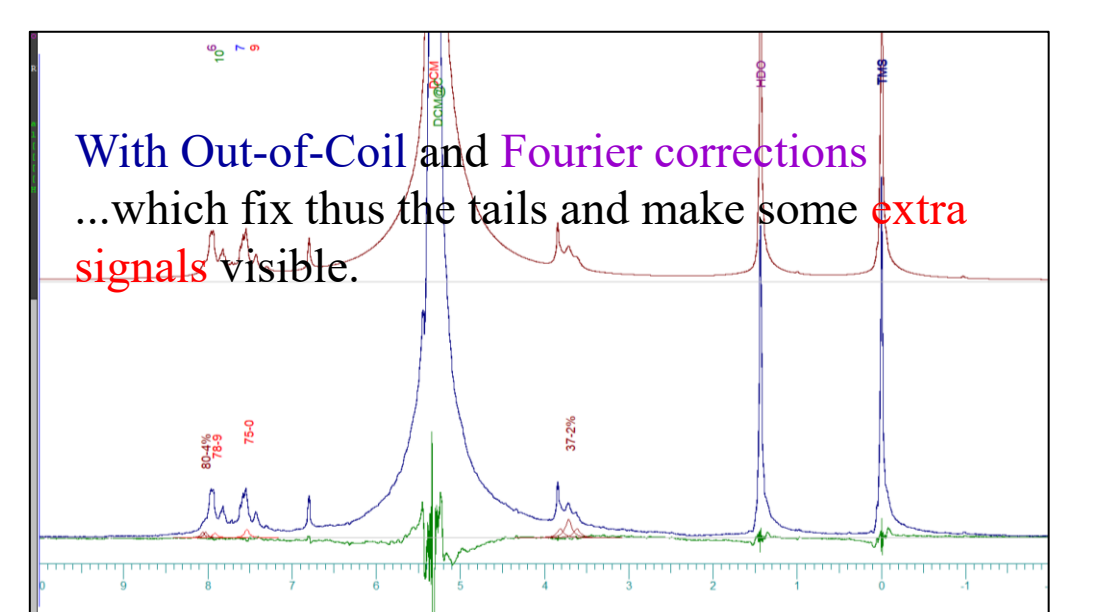
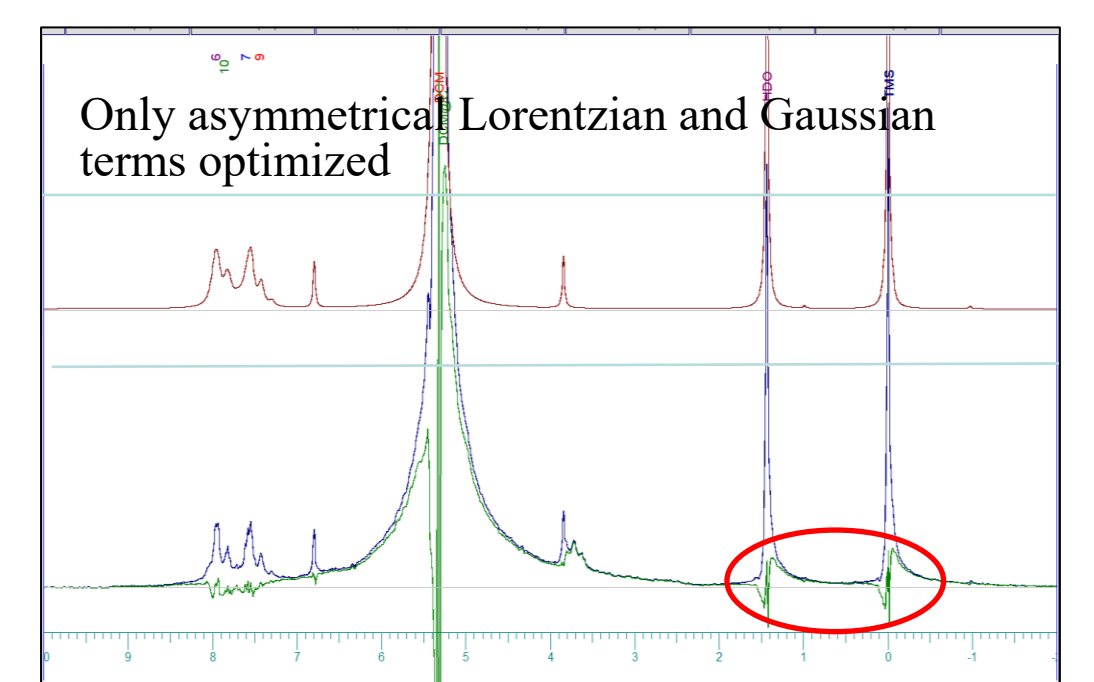
Out-of-coil correction (OoC)

The correction is actual if the target signals lie on tails of broad and asymmetrical lines, and which cannot be satisfactorily described by the asymmetrical Lorentzian & Gaussian function. The feature can be especially important with benchtop spectra.

The **observed-calculated difference** spectrum can be fitted in ChemAdder by a N terms non-symmetrical function, which can be then subtracted from the observed spectrum. The correction compensates also a part of isotope shift shoulders.

From R. Laatikainen^a, S. Paudel^b, B. Shapiro^b, J. Zhang^c, J. Hein^e and P. Laatikainen^a, *ChemAdderAnatomy of a 60 MHz Benchtop NMR Spectrum – Dissection*, QMSA Letters

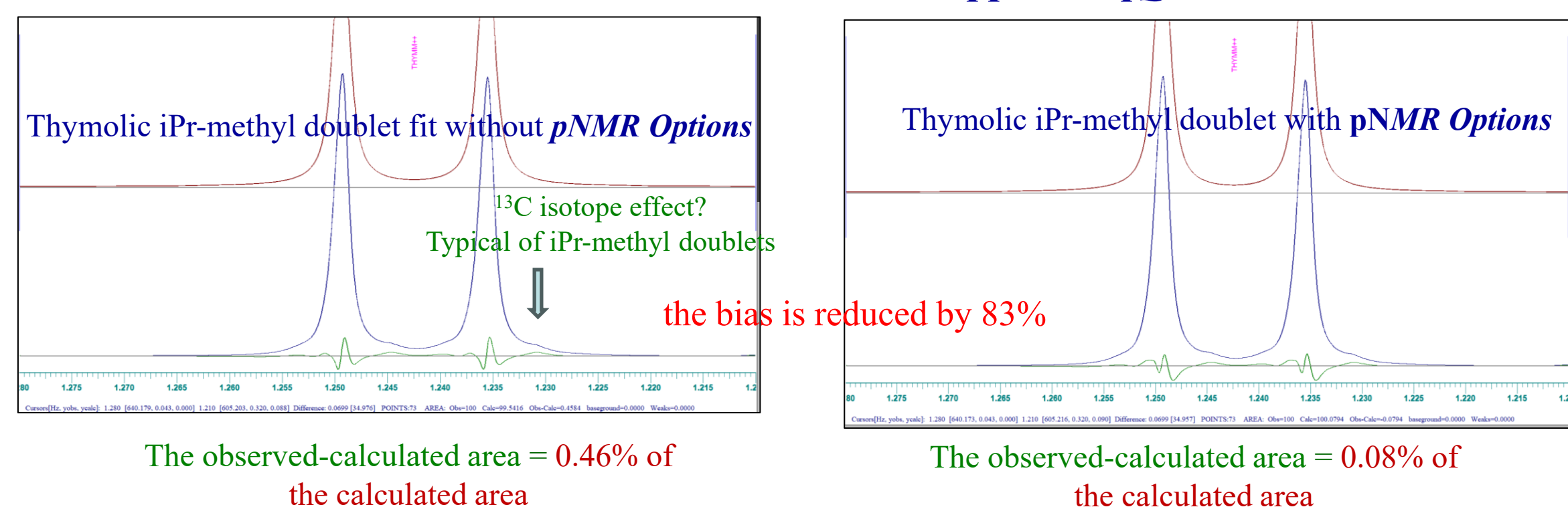
See that the correction is similar for all the three major signals:



PurityNMR and IT-supported qQMSA

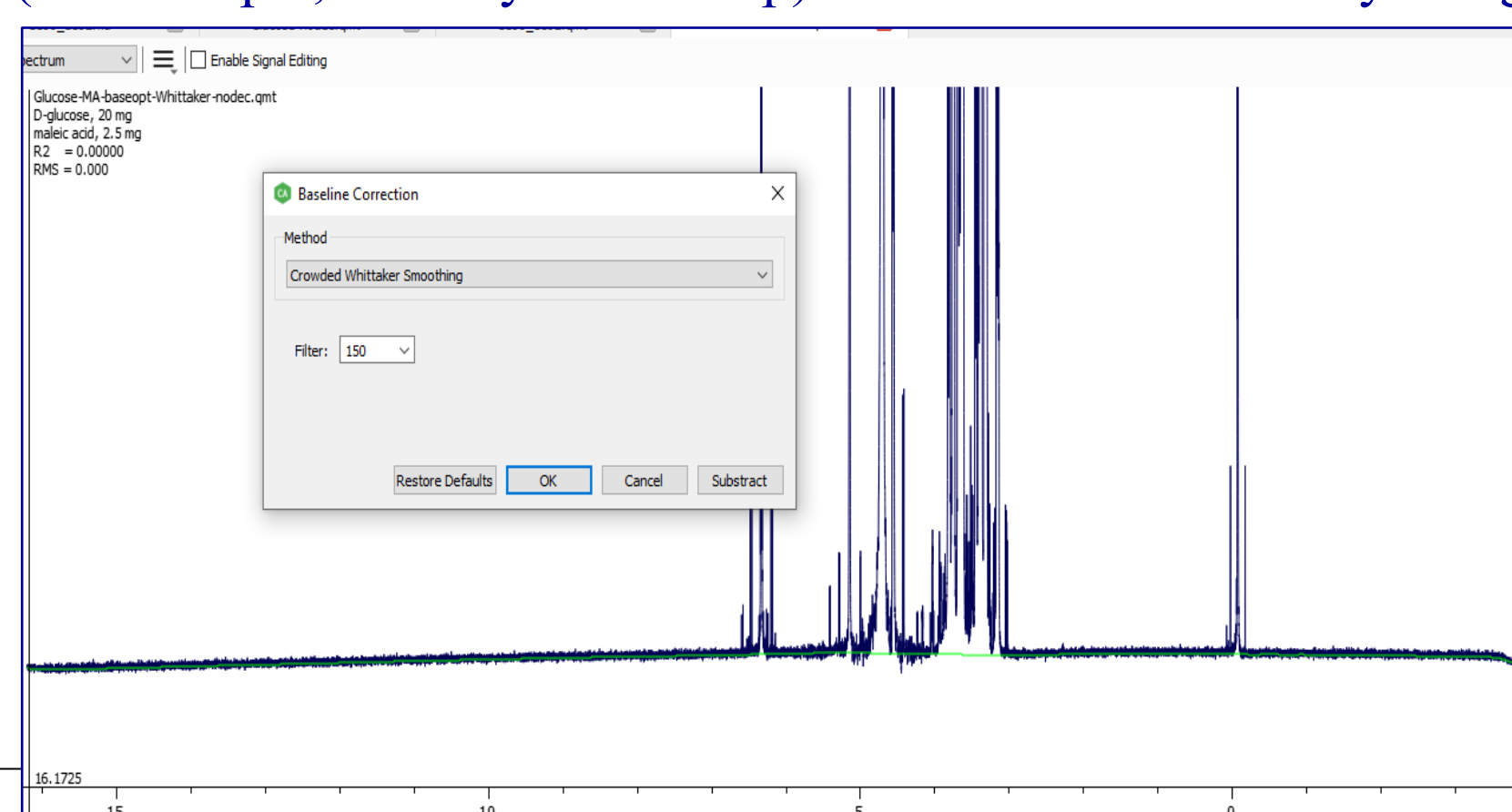
For example, long-range ¹³C couplings and isotope shifts lead to structures which cannot be fitted by even the most sophisticated line-shapes. This may lead to bias of a few percent bias in PURITY%.

The ChemAdder solution is *IT Supported qQMSA!*



Line-Shape and baseline are strongly related !
The baseline and tails of broad signals cannot be easily separated

- The baseline can be adjusted during preparation of the spectrum: in ChemAdder offers crowded Whitaker baseline correction, now with non-negativity option.
- The baseline can be optimized simultaneously with spectral and line-shape parameters: ChemAdder offers the optimizable (up to 6th order) polynomial, Bernstein polynomial and 'local cos²' and spline baseline.
- Broad humps (for example, carbohydrate hump) can be modelled also by using the **Xtrucures**



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Virtual Couplings

- Virtual couplings, if there are long-range couplings (like in steroids) the origin of which is unclear.
- In ChemAdder one can define a coupling that splits all the lines of a nuclei to a regular Pascalian doublets, triplets or quartets, without defining the origin of the coupling.

