

Electronic Supplementary Information:  
Central-Transition Double-Quantum Sideband NMR Spectroscopy of  
Half-Integer Quadrupolar Nuclei: Estimating Internuclear Distances  
and Probing Clusters within Multi-Spin Networks

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## S1 <sup>11</sup>B Spin Systems in bis(catecholato)diboron

Table S1 lists the probabilities of finding a particular pattern of occupancy by the <sup>11</sup>B isotope (80.1 % natural abundance) in the 4 boron site system shown in Fig. 2b.

Sites Solely Occupied by <sup>11</sup> B	Probability
(1, 2, 3, 4)	41.2 %
(1, 2, 3) or (1, 2, 4)	20.5 %
(1, 3, 4) or (2, 3, 4)	20.5 %
(1, 3) or (2, 4)	5.1 %
(1, 4) or (2, 3)	5.1 %
(1, 2)	2.5 %

Table S1: <sup>11</sup>B occupancy probabilities in the 4 boron system shown in Fig. 2b.

## S2 Dipolar Coupling Multiplicities

Table S2 collects the internuclear distances and dipolar couplings for the samples used in this study, bis(catecholato)diboron ( $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{B}_2\text{O}_4$ ),  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  and  $\alpha\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$ . As each sample solely features one crystallographically unique B, Al or Na site, respectively, the indices  $j$  and  $k$  are given by  $j = k = 1$  in each case and thus dropped for clarity, i. e.,  $r = r_{11}$ ,  $b = b_{11}$ ,  $\Omega^{\text{DD}} = \Omega_{11}^{\text{DD}}$ ,  $\beta^{\text{DD}} = \beta_{11}^{\text{DD}}$ , and  $\gamma^{\text{DD}} = \gamma_{11}^{\text{DD}}$ . The listed internuclear distances  $r$  and dipolar coupling constants  $b$  correspond to  $^{11}\text{B}$ – $^{11}\text{B}$  pairs for bis(catecholato)diboron, to  $^{23}\text{Na}$ – $^{23}\text{Na}$  pairs for  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , and to  $^{27}\text{Al}$ – $^{27}\text{Al}$  pairs for  $\alpha\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$ . In all cases the multiplicity  $M$  and number of dipolar interactions that result in unique NMR responses  $N$  (see section 2.2.2) are given together with the Euler angles  $\Omega^{\text{DD}} = \{0, \beta^{\text{DD}}, \gamma^{\text{DD}}\}$ .

Sample	$r$ [pm]	$-b/2\pi$ [Hz]	$M$	$N$	$\{\beta^{\text{DD}}, \gamma^{\text{DD}}\}$ [°]
$\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{B}_2\text{O}_4$	168	2619	2	1	{53.6, 42.5}
	382	222	2	1	{85.7, 166.1}
	475	116	4	1	{98.6, -180.0}
	601	57.0	1	1	{73.5, 9.1}
	621	51.7	2	2	{167.4, 42.5}, {12.6, 137.5}
$\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$	321	253	4	2	{122.2, 117.7}, {23.2, -4.7}
	360	181	4	4	{98.7, -163.5}, {98.7, -16.5}, {60.2, -133.4}, {143.1, 6.5}
	361	180	2	1	{118.3, -90}
	420	113.5	8	4	{73.9, 32.4}, {106.1, 57.9}, {73.9, 147.6}, {33.7, 157.1}
	508	64.2	4	4	{69.4, 44.2}, {96.2, 64.9}, {69.4, 135.8}, {35.8, 136.2}
	549	50.8	4	4	{121.6, 177}, {71, -25.9}, {41.4, -104}, {161.5, 59.6}
	572	44.9	8	2	{90, 102.8}, {44.5, -112.4}
	587	41.6	4	1	{142.6, 135.2}
	590	40.9	8	4	{53.7, 11}, {101.4, 143.8}, {126.3, 79.3}, {170.8, 21.6}
	$\alpha\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$	266	436	2	1
279		375	6	3	{79.9, 60}, {79.9, -60}, {100.1, 0}
322		245	6	3	{58.6, 60}, {58.6, -60}, {121.4, 0.}
350		191	12	3	{128.2, 60}, {128.2, -60}, {51.8, 0}
384		144	2	1	{0, 0}
476		75.7	15	3	{90, 90}, {90, 30}, {90, -30}
513		60.5	12	3	{32.4, 60}, {32.4, -60}, {32.4, 180.}
545		50.4	18	6	{60.8, 90}, {60.8, -90}, {60.8, 30}, {60.8, -30} {60.8, 150}, {60.8, -150}
552		48.6	3	1	{84.9, 0}, {84.9, 120}, {84.9, -120}
555		47.8	6	3	{29.7, 0}, {29.7, 120}, {29.7, -120}
575		43.1	9	3	{73, 0}, {73, 120}, {73, -120}
591		39.6	9	3	{111.5, 0}, {111.5, 120}, {111.5, -120}

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