
NMR Spectroscopy of Organic Compounds

Lesson 10: EPR




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Basic Principles & Applications of Electron Paramagnetic (Spin) Resonance, EPR (ESR).

NMR Analogy

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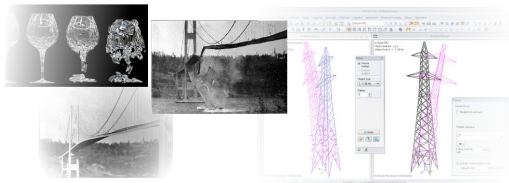


- 1 Basic Concepts and EPR Discovery
 - Mechanical & Magnetic Resonance
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 - Small Excursion into the EPR History
- 2 Applications
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- 4 Closing Part - NMR vs EPR Comparison
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Mechanical Resonances in Physics

Resonance

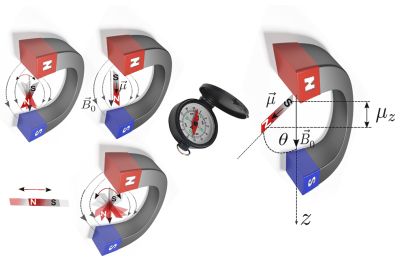
Physical phenomenon \Rightarrow Vibration/Oscillation **amplitude** of a pendulum/oscillator **is getting higher** in comparison to its natural ground state. It occurs if the frequency ν_{applied} of the periodically applied force **equals to** the natural one ν_{own} . The applied stimulus may not be necessarily strong.



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¹Diverse web resources, mainly  <https://www.vsb.cz/en>

Resonance of Magnetic Needle in Magnetic Field



Energy ($\varepsilon(\theta)$) of tiny magnet ($\vec{\mu}$) in magnetic field² (\vec{B}_0):

$$\varepsilon(\theta) = -\vec{\mu}\vec{B}_0 = -\mu B_0 \cos(\theta) = -\mu_z B_0 \quad (I)$$

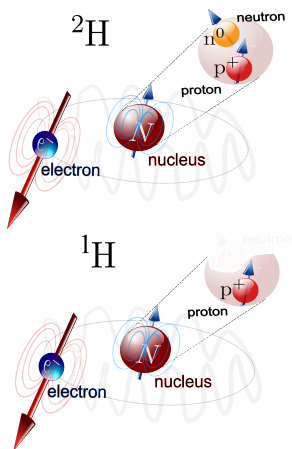
$$\varepsilon(0^\circ) = -\mu B_0 \quad \varepsilon(180^\circ) = \mu B_0$$

$$\Delta\varepsilon = \varepsilon(180^\circ) - \varepsilon(0^\circ) = 2\mu B_0 = 2\mu_z B_0$$

² ⚠ $B \equiv$ Magnetic Flux Density [B] = G (mT)

Electrons & Nuclei like Tiny Magnets?

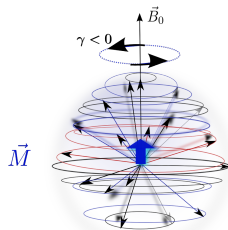
Schematic View of Deuterium & Protium



Proton (p) & Electron (e) Precession in Magnetic Field \vec{B}_0

$$\nu_p = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \gamma_p^* B_0(p) \quad (II)$$

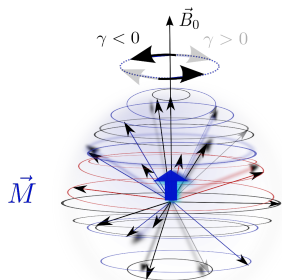
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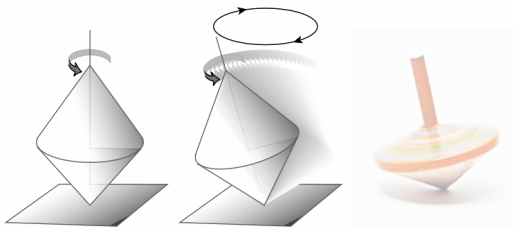
* $\gamma \equiv$ magnetogyric ratio

$$\vec{M} = (1/V) \sum \vec{\mu} \equiv \text{magnetization}$$

Ensemble of Magnetic Moments in Magnetic Field \vec{B}_0 :



Gyroscope in Gravitational Field




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Examples of Magnetic (non-magnetic) Nuclei & Electron:

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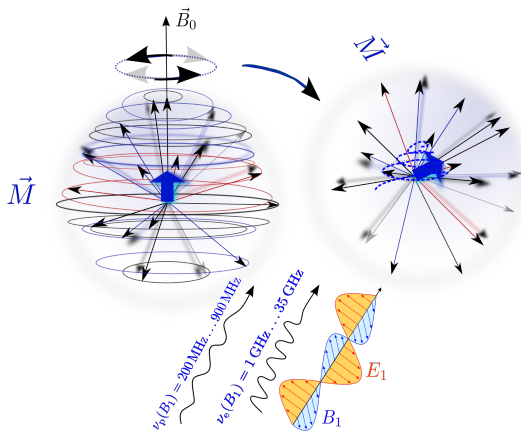
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Magnetic Resonance of Protons & Electrons

'Action' of Electromagnetic Radiation (B_1 , E_1)

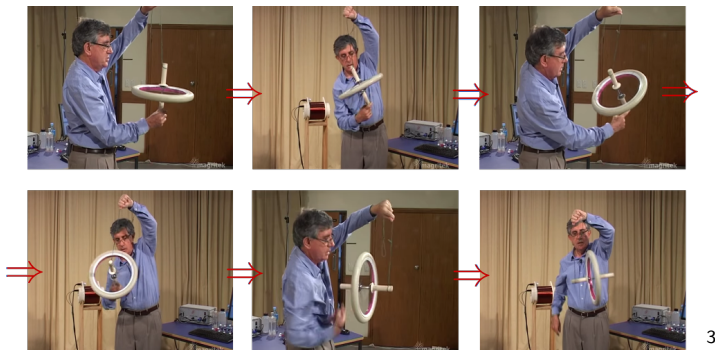
**Common Frequencies of Alternating Magn. Flux Density (B_1)
for Protons ($\nu_p(B_1)$) & Electrons ($\nu_e(B_1)$):**




Precession & Mechanical Gyroscope Resonance

Analogy with the Ensemble of Nuclei or Electrons

applied frequency = natural frequency

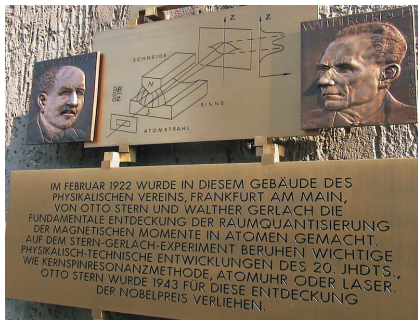


³  <https://www.drmmr.dk/MR>

 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7aRKAXD4dAg>

↔ Stern-Gerlach Experiment

- **1922** Beam of silver atoms $[\text{Kr}] 4d^{10} 5s^1$, is split by non-homogeneous magnetic field into “two” lines (***Otto Stern & Walther Gerlach***)



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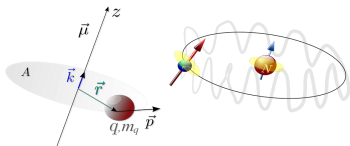
- **1924-1925** Explanation of “S-G” experiment by the existence of intrinsic angular momentum (***Wolfgang Pauli & George Uhlenbeck & Samuel Goudsmit***)

⁴A memorial plaque at the University of Frankfurt

Orbital* & Intrinsic (Spin) Angular Momentum (AM)

🔧 Magnetic Moment $\vec{\mu}$ and AM Relations

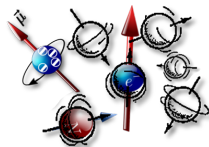
Orbital AM



$$\vec{\mu}_l = \frac{q}{2m_q} \vec{l} = \gamma_q \vec{l} \quad (\text{IV})$$

- q charge carrier
- γ_q magnetogyric ratio
- γ_j spin magnetogyric ratio

Intrinsic AM (Spin)



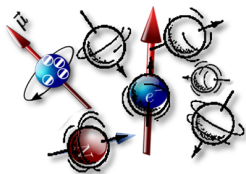
$$\vec{\mu}_j = g_{e(N)} \frac{q}{2m_q} \vec{j} = \gamma_j \vec{j} \quad (\text{V})$$

- m_q charge carrier mass
- $g_{e(N)}$ nuclear or electronic g -factor
- $j \equiv S$ or I nuclear or electron spin

* Defined as: $\vec{l} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p}$, measure of rotational motion dynamics

Orbital & Intrinsic (Spin) Angular Momentum (AM)

Do the Nuclei and Electrons Rotate, Indeed?



Spin⁵

... is pure quantum-mechanical property ,
 which is not related to spinning/rotating particle ,
 such an idea is only used as a limited model for
 educational purposes

- Neutrons are not charge carriers even though they do have a spin!
- If the particles were spinning \Rightarrow
 \Rightarrow the spinning speed $\gg c$!
- We don't know the exact particle shape nor the rotational axes!

⁵ <https://mriquestions.com/what-is-spin.html>

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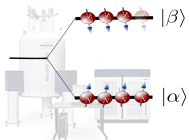
D.P. Goldenberg, *Principles of NMR Spectroscopy. An Illustrated Guide.*

⚡ Energies (ε) in NMR and EPR

👤 Ground (gr)-Excited (ex) State Populations at $T = 298\text{ K}$

$$\frac{N_{\text{ex}}}{N_{\text{gr}}} = \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta\varepsilon}{k_{\text{B}}T}\right) \approx 1 - \frac{\Delta\varepsilon}{k_{\text{B}}T} \quad (\text{VI})$$

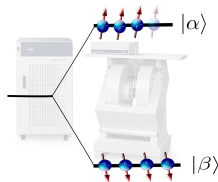
Proton (NMR)



$$\frac{N_{|\beta\rangle}}{N_{|\alpha\rangle}} = 99.990\%$$

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Electron (EPR)



$$\frac{N_{|\alpha\rangle}}{N_{|\beta\rangle}} = 99.842\%$$

(VIII)

⚡ Energies (ε) in NMR and EPR

⌚ Conditions for Recording of Spectra



Proton (NMR)

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\varepsilon_p &= h\nu_p \\ &= g_p \hbar \gamma_p B_0(\text{NMR}) \\ \text{for } \nu_p &= 600 \text{ MHz} \\ B_0(\text{NMR}) &= 14.0919 \text{ T}\end{aligned}$$

(IX)



Electron (EPR)

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\varepsilon_e &= h\nu_e \\ &= -g_e \hbar \gamma_e B_0(\text{EPR}) \\ \text{for } \nu_e &= 9.8 \text{ GHz} \\ B_0(\text{EPR}) &= 0.3497 \text{ T}\end{aligned}$$

(X)

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_N &= \hbar \gamma_p \text{ (Nuclear magneton)} \\ &= 5.05078324(13) \cdot 10^{-27} \text{ J T}^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_B &= -\hbar \gamma_e \text{ (Bohr magneton)} \\ &= 9.27400915(23) \cdot 10^{-24} \text{ J T}^{-1}\end{aligned}$$



⚡ NMR & EPR Spectroscopy

'A' Common Ways How to Meet the Resonance Condition

$$\text{frequency} = \nu(B_0)$$



Proton (NMR)

frequency(ν_p) \neq const.
 $B_0(\text{NMR}) = \text{const.}$



Electron (EPR)

frequency(ν_e) = const.
 $B_0(\text{EPR}) \neq \text{const.}^{**}$

** CW \equiv continuous wave

 NMR & EPR like "Stepsisters" **NMR****EPR**

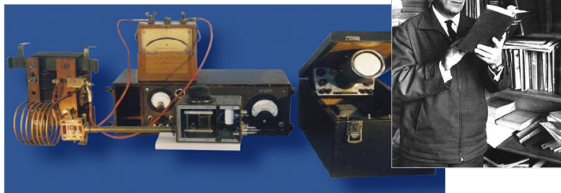
★ **"Birhdate":** 1938-1946 1944-1946

♀ **"Mother":** Quantum Mechanics (+ 🌀)

♂ **"Fathers":** Isidor Rabi, Edward Purcell, Henry Torrey, Robert Pound, Felix Bloch, William Hansen
a Martin Packard Evgeny Zavoisky & Boris Bleaney

★ EPR Discovery by Evgeny Zavoisky

- **1940-41** He started to follow up the NMR solid-state experiments \Rightarrow Results were not reproducible (problems with field homogeneity)
- **1944** 1st EPR experiments on $\text{CuCl}_2 \cdot 2 \text{H}_2\text{O}$, $\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5 \text{H}_2\text{O}$, $\text{MnSO}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$
- Additional EPR development by ***Brebis Bleaney***

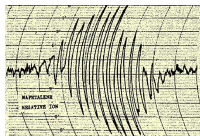


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⁶ <https://kpfu.ru/eng/about-the-university/kfu-structure/museums/evgeny-zavoisky-lab-museum>

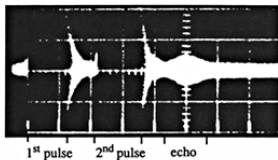
Splitting of EPR Spectra & Pulsed Technique

- **1953** Splitting of EPR spectra detected for the first time: Wuster's Blue, Naphthalene \bullet^- (*Weissman, Townsend, Paul, Pake*)



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- **1958** 1st EPR pulsed experiment (*Richard Blume*)



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- **1987** FT EPR Spectrometer commercially available (*Bruker*)

⁷ J. Chem. Phys. 21, 1953, 2227-2228

⁸ R. J. Blume; Phys. Rev. 1958, 109, 1867-1873

⚡ EPR Spectroscopy


⚠ EPR⁹

Electron Paramagnetic Resonance \Rightarrow form of spectroscopy, concerned with the microwave-induced transitions of **unpaired electrons** **having a net spin** **& orbital angular momentum**.

Most of the stable molecules possess e^- -configuration with “paired” spins \Rightarrow
 \Rightarrow **EPR is not so widely used like NMR**, however
 \Rightarrow **EPR is the only one direct method to study paramagnetic species**

⚠ What is the EPR Mission?

- Determination of unpaired e^- -centers (incl. **quantitative information** like c, n, N)
- Find the **chemical structure** of unpaired e^- -center within sample/material
- Find the **information about dynamics** of unpaired e^- -center

⁹  <https://goldbook.iupac.org/terms/view/E02005>

Examples of Paramagnetic Compounds/Materials

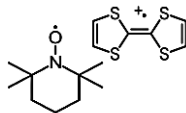
Paramagnetic



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- **Radicals**—organic, inorganic, neutral (e.g. HO^\bullet , nitroxyl), ions
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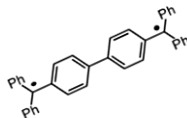
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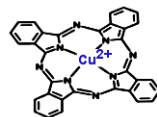
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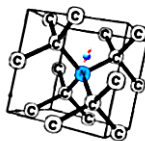
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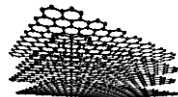
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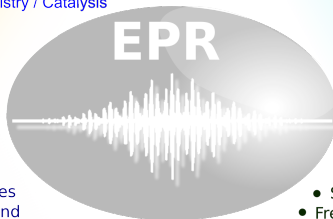


Chemistry

- Redox processes (electrochemistry)
- Kinetics of radical reactions
- Biradicals (triplet states)
- Coordination chemistry / Catalysis
- Spin trapping
- Photochemistry

Physics

- Measurements of magnetic susceptibility
 - Cond. electrons in (semi-)conductor
 - Crystal field in single crystals
 - Defect in crystals



- Polymer properties
- Defects in diamond
- Defect in optical fibers/glasses
- Shelf-life of fermented beverages
- Organic semiconductor(s) (defects)
- Degradation of polymers/paints/food

- Oximetry (LiPc/O₂)
- Spin trapping of ROS/RNS
- Free radicals *in vivo/in vitro*
 - Antioxidants/Radical Scavengers
- Spin labeling and spin probe technique
- Radiation effect/damage on biological samples

Materials and Industrial Research

Biology

CW EPR & FT NMR Spectrometers

General View & Comparison

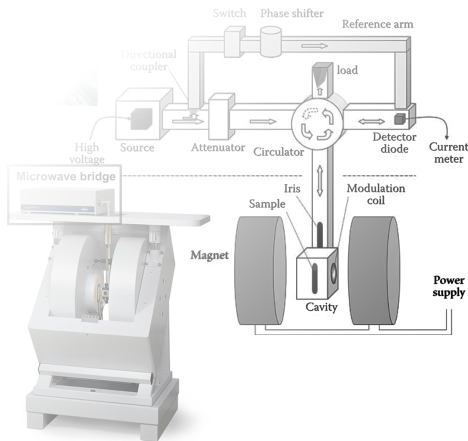


See  [EPR & NMR \(400 MHz\) Spectroscopy instruments at IOCB](#)

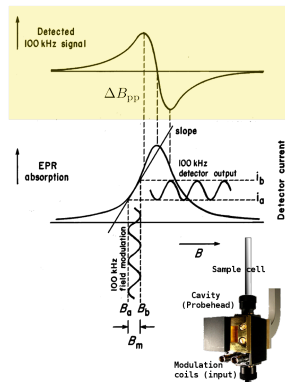
CW EPR Spectrometer

Detailed View & Recorded Spectrum

Magnet & Microwave bridge



Recording of an EPR Spectrum



Essential EPR Parameters

Common Recording Conditions for EPR Spectra

Phase#:

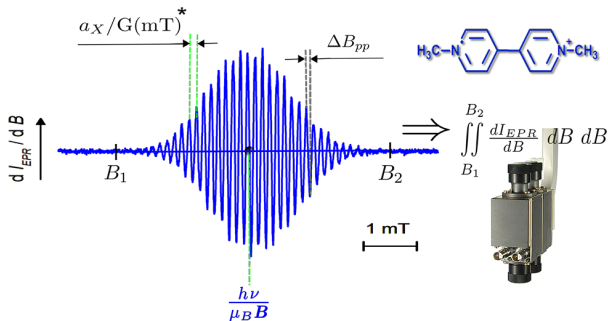


0° §:

from $\approx 77\text{ K} (-196^\circ\text{C})$
to $\approx 500\text{ K} (227^\circ\text{C})$



from $\approx 1 \cdot 10^{-9}\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$
to $\approx 0.1\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$

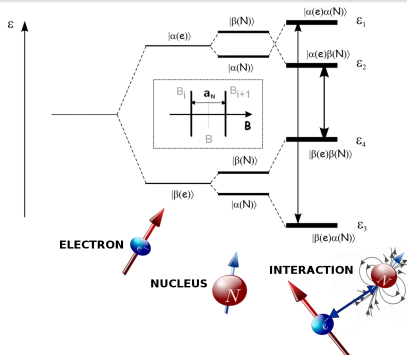


gaseous, as well § 0° extension $3.8\text{ K} - 1273\text{ K}$

* $1\text{ G(Gauss)} = 0.1\text{ mT}$

Splitting of the EPR Spectrum

Hyperfine Coupling/Interaction with Nucleus $I_N = 1/2$ (^1H)



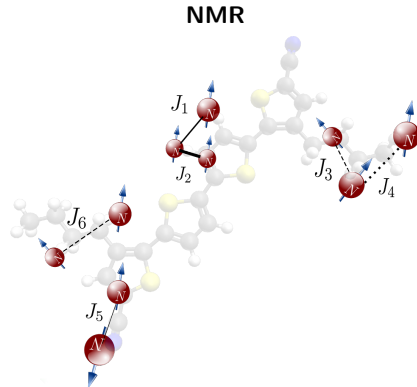
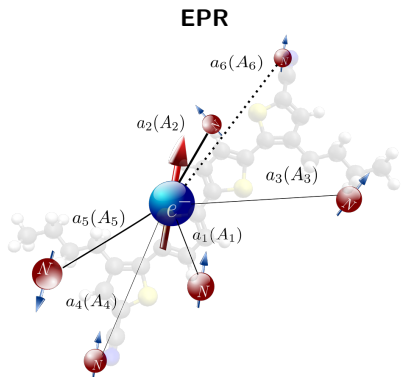
$$g\mu_B(B_{i+1} - B_i) = g\mu_B a_N^* \text{ (Splitting const.)} = A_N^{**} \text{ (Coupling const.)} \quad (\text{XI})$$

* $G(\text{mT})$

** usually converted into $A/h \Rightarrow \text{MHz (cm}^{-1}\text{)}$

Splitting of the EPR Spectrum

 Schematic View of e-N in EPR & N-N in NMR \Rightarrow Analogy.

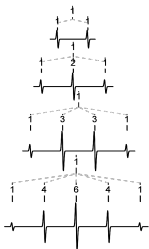


Hyperfine Splitting by N Nuclei

Multiplicity & Intensity

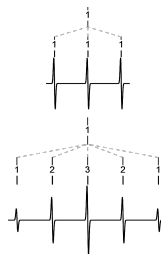
$$I_N = \frac{1}{2}(^1\text{H})$$

N = 0:		1			
1:		1	1		
2:		1	2	1	
3:	1	3	3	1	
4:	1	4	6	4	1



$$I_N = 1(^{14}\text{N})$$

N = 0:		1			
1:		1	1	1	
2:	1	2	3	2	1



number of lines (N_L) = $2NI_N + 1$; for k -groups: $N_L = \prod_{i=1}^k (2N_i I_{N_i} + 1)$

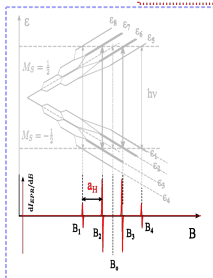
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Splitting in EPR/NMR

Three Equivalent Nuclei with $I = 1/2$ ($\cdot\text{CH}_3$ / $-\text{CH}_3$)

EPR

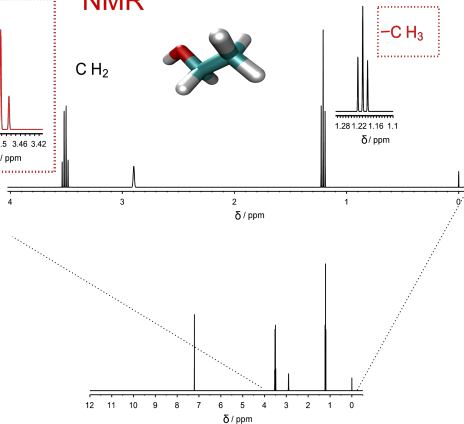
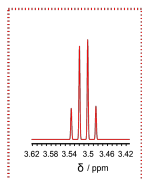


NMR

C H_2

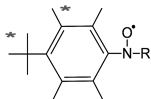


$-\text{C H}_3$



Hyperfine Splitting by N Nuclei*

Exercising Examples with ^{14}N & ^1H Splitting



$$a_{\text{N}} (-\text{NO}\cdot) = 12 \text{ G}$$

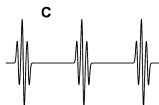
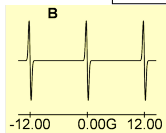
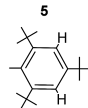
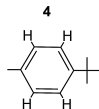
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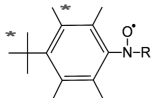
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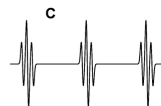
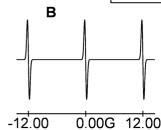
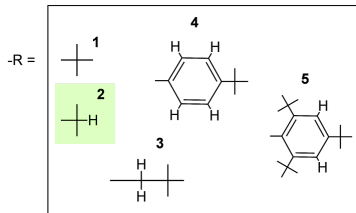
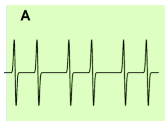
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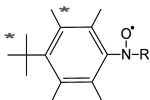
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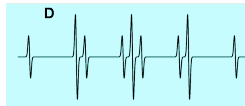
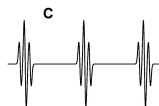
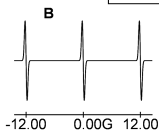
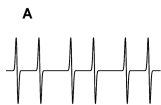
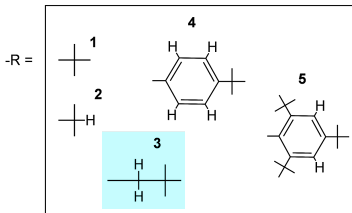
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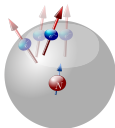


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Origin of Hyperfine Splitting/Coupling Const. (a/A)

👤 Fermi-Contact (FC)[#] + Dipolar Interaction** & Spin Density

s - orbital



Spin Density / \AA^{-3} :

$$\rho_S^{\alpha-\beta}(0) = \rho^{|\alpha\rangle, \uparrow}(0) - \rho^{|\beta\rangle, \downarrow}(0)$$

$$\rho^{|\alpha\rangle, \uparrow} = N_{|\alpha\rangle} / V$$

$$\rho^{|\beta\rangle, \downarrow} = N_{|\beta\rangle} / V$$

(XIII)

$$A_{\text{iso}}(a_{\text{iso}}) \propto \rho_S^{\alpha-\beta}(0) \quad (\text{XIV})$$

Generally (also for solid-state):

$$\mathbf{A}_{\text{total}} = \mathbf{A}_{\text{iso}}\mathbf{1} + \mathbf{T}_{\text{dip}}^{**}$$

Spin Population (Integrated $\rho_S(0)$):

$$\rho_X^{\Psi}(\text{pop}) = \rho_X^{\Psi|\alpha\rangle} - \rho_X^{\Psi|\beta\rangle}$$

$X \equiv$ Nucleus

$\Psi \equiv$ Orbital

(XV)

[#] Fermi, E., *Z. Phys.* **1930**, 60, 320-333

$$\varepsilon_{\text{iso}}^{\text{FC}} = -(2/3)\mu_o\vec{\mu}_S\vec{\mu}_I|\Psi(0)|^2 = (1/\hbar^2)A_{\text{iso}}S_zI$$

** Hyperfine Interaction Matrix (\mathbf{T}_{dip} is orientational matrix of the $e \leftrightarrow N$ interaction)

EPR Spectrum Position

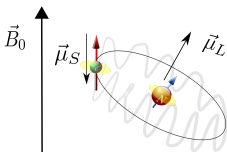
Introduction & g -Value

Electrons are not isolated

on the molecule & they always possess **spin (S) & orbital (L) component** of their angular momentum

$$\varepsilon_{LS} = -(\vec{\mu}_L + \vec{\mu}_S) \cdot \vec{B}_0 + \lambda \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S}$$

(XVI)



$\lambda \Rightarrow$ spin-orbit coupling constant

$g \neq g_e = 2.0023193043662(15)$

Basic Energy Relation:

$$\Delta\varepsilon = h\nu = g\mu_B B \quad (\text{XVII})$$

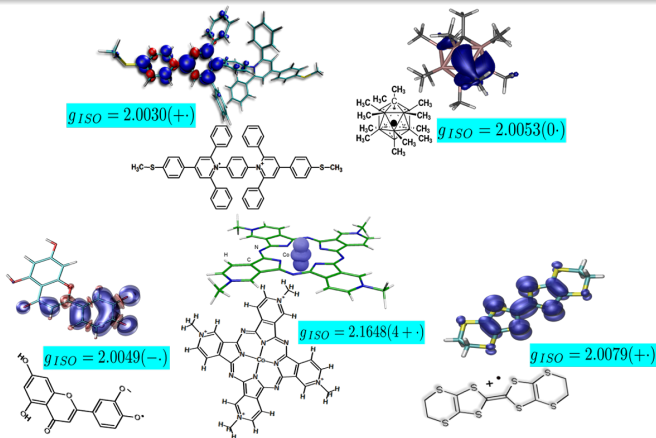
$\Delta g = g - g_e$ is **very small for free (organic) radicals**, but can be **significant for paramag. transition metal ions**

$$g = \frac{h\nu}{\mu_B B}$$

If the B changes, then ν changes accordingly due to the resonance condition (XVII).

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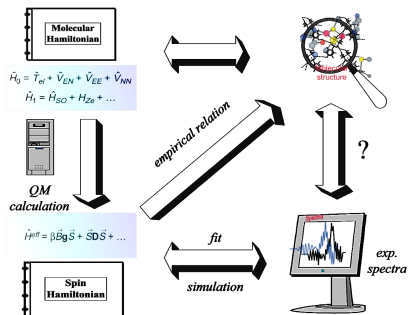
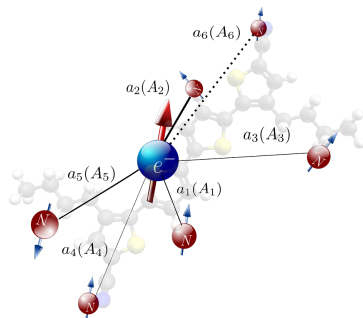
g-Value Examples



$$* g_{ISO} = (1/3) \sum_{i=1}^3 g_i, \text{ where } g_i \equiv \text{diag. principal axis components of the } g\text{-matrix}$$

Complex Analysis of EPR Spectra

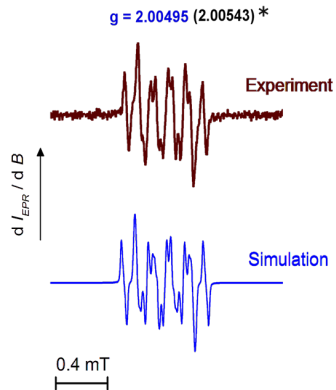
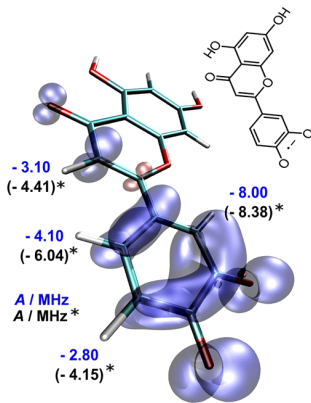
Quantum Chemical Computations & Simulations of EPR Spectra



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Complex Analysis of EPR Spectra

Luteolin Radical Anion¹¹

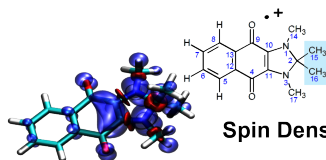


* by quantum-chemical computations

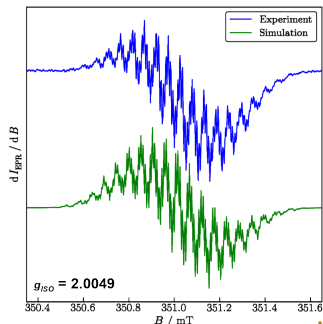
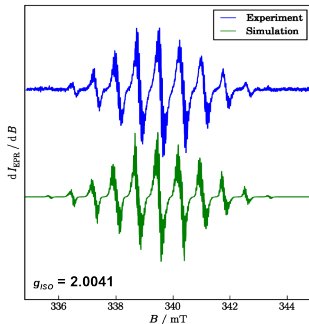
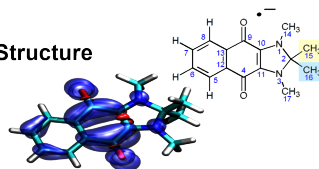
¹¹ Š. Ramešová et al.; *Elchim. Acta* **2013**, *110*, 646-654

Complex Analysis of EPR Spectra

⊕ ⊖ Radical Ions of Naphthoquinone Derivative¹²



Structure



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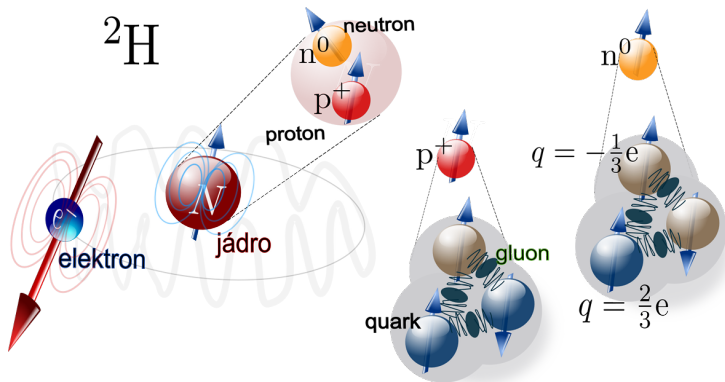
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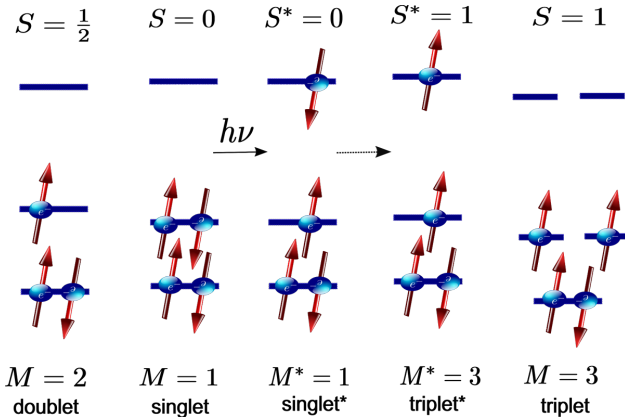
Deuterium & its Corresponding (Sub)Nuclear Particles



Multiplicity of the Electronic Configurations

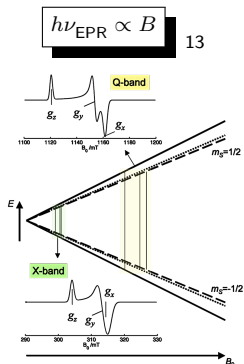
Schematic View of Ground & Excited* States

Multiplicity: $M = 2S + 1$ $S = \sum_i s_i$



Multifrequency EPR

MW components can be used only for
 narrow range of $\nu_{\text{EPR}} \Rightarrow h\nu_{\text{EPR}} = \text{const.}$ & B_{EPR} is changing



Frequency “Ranges” & Conditions:

Conditions / Range	L	S	X	Q	W	J
ν / GHz	1	3	10	35	90	270
λ / mm	300	100	30	8.60	3.30	1.11
B / T ($g = 2$)	0.04	0.11	0.36	1.25	3.22	9.64

Quantitative CW EPR

$DI \equiv$ Double Integral

$$DI_{\text{EPR}} = \text{const}_{\text{ref}} (G t_C N_{\text{scan}}) \left[\frac{P^{1/2} B_m Q n_B S(S+1) N_{\text{spin}}}{f(B_1, B_m)} \right]$$

$\text{const}_{\text{ref}}$ point sample calibration factor (spectrometer dependent)

G gain

t_C/s conversion time

N_{scan} number of scans/averages

P/W microwave power

$B_m/G(\text{mT})$ modulation amplitude

Q probehead/cavity quality factor

n_B Boltzmann factor (temperature dependent)

S the overall spin quantum number

N_{spin} number of unpaired e^-

$f(B_1, B_m)$ spatial distribution of B_1 a B_m at sample-position

**Double Rectangular
Probehead/Cavity**



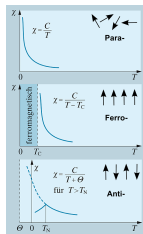
Quantitative CW EPR

Magnetic Materials

$$\text{Magnetic Susceptibility } \chi = \frac{\vec{M}}{\vec{H}} \quad \text{kde } \vec{B} = \mu_o(\vec{H} + \vec{M}) \quad \text{a} \quad \vec{M} = \frac{1}{V} \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i$$

Diamagnetism	$\chi_{\text{dia}}(1 \cdot 10^{-6}) < 0$	$\chi_{\text{dia}} \neq \chi_{\text{dia}}(T)$
Paramagnetism	$\chi_{\text{para}}(1 \cdot 10^{-6}) > 0$	$\chi_{\text{para}} = \chi_{\text{para}}(T)$
Cooperative Magn. Prop.	$\chi_{\text{int}}(\geq 1 \cdot 10^4; \leq 1 \cdot 10^{-2}) > 0$	$\chi_{\text{int}} = \chi_{\text{int}}(T)$

$$\chi_{\text{para}} = N_V \frac{\mu_o g^2 \mu_B^2 J(J+1)}{3k_B} \frac{1}{T}$$



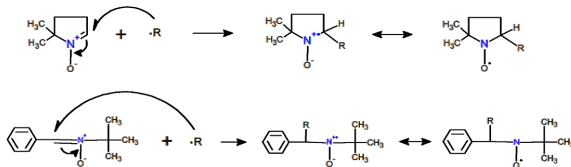
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Transient Radical Studies

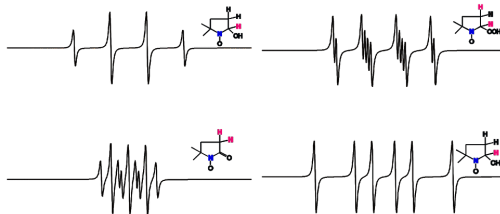
Spin Trapping

5,5-Dimethyl-1-pyrroline N-oxide (DMPO)
& N-tert-Butyl- α -phenylnitron (PBN)

Mechanism

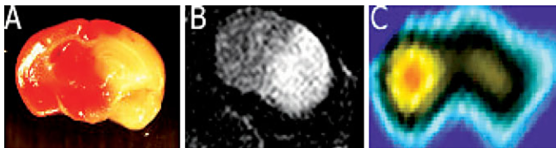


EPR Detection of adducts



EPR Imaging

Bloodstream Recovery after Ischemia ¹⁶





A: Histology

B: MRI

C: EPR Imaging



¹⁵  Bruker Corporation, Product Overview ELEXSYS-II E540 System

¹⁶  Liu, S., Timmins, G. S., et al. *NMR Biomed* 17, 2004, 327-334

Basic Differences Between CW & Pulsed EPR

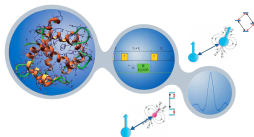
common for X-band

	Acquisition	T/K	$t_p(\frac{\pi}{2})/ns$	Excit. range/MHz(mT)	P/mW	$\nu(B_m)/kHz$
Pulsed	$B = \text{konst}$ $\nu \neq \text{konst}$	$\ll 293$	10 – 16	$1 \cdot 10^2(3)$	$\geq 1 \cdot 10^6$	–
CW	$B \neq \text{konst}$ $\nu = \text{konst}$	293	–	$1.67 \cdot 10^4(500)$	2 – 20	100

Pulsed EPR cannot completely replace the CW one



CW & pulsed EPR \Rightarrow Complementary Methods



ESEEM, 2D spectroscopy, Pulse-ENDOR, Pulse-ELDOR (DEER),
Transient EPR and Multi-frequency EPR in Life science, Material science

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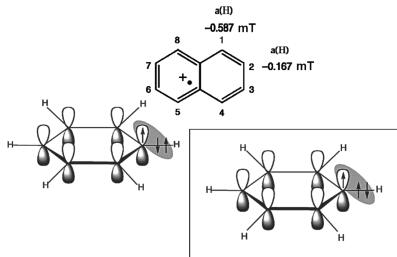
Hyperfine Splitting/Coupling Constants (a/A)

Polarization & Hyperconjugation: e^- & ^1H Interactions

Spin Polarization:

$$A_{\text{N,iso}}(a_{\text{N,iso}}) < 0 \quad (\text{XVIII})$$

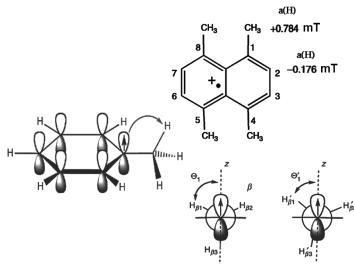
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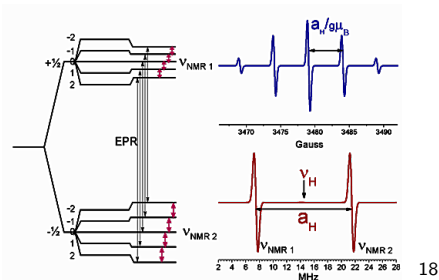
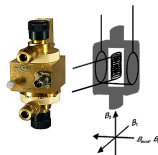
$$A_{\text{H,iso}}(\beta \text{ pos.}) = (K_1 + K_2 \cos^2(\theta_1)) \rho_{\text{C}}^{2\text{p}_z}(\text{pop})$$



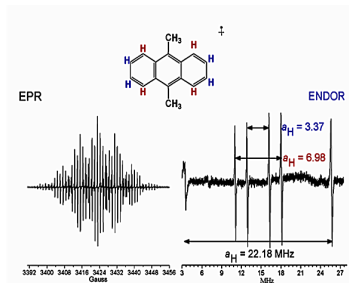
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Basic Principle of the "Electron Nuclear Double Resonance" (ENDOR) Spectroscopy

ENDOR Probehead/Cavity

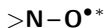


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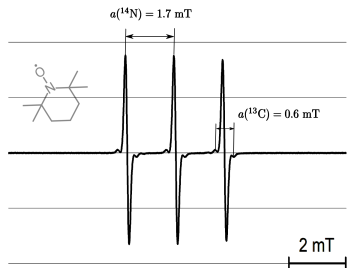
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Isotope Effects in EPR (Satellites)



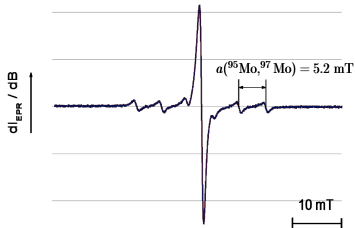
Nat. Abundance (^{14}N) = 99.60 %

Nat. Abundance (^{13}C) = 1.07 %



(^{95}Mo) = 15.92 %

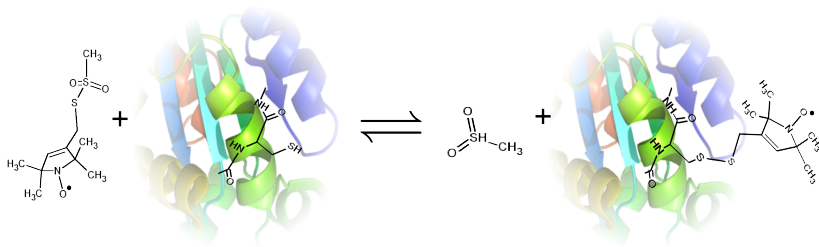
(^{97}Mo) = 9.95 %



* 2,2,6,6-Tetramethyl-1-Piperidinoxyl (TEMPO)

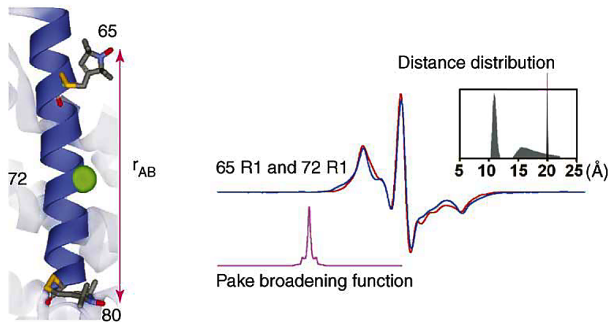
Side Direct Spin Labeling (SDSL) of Proteins/Peptides

Basic Scheme



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CW EPR Distance Estimation up to ≈ 2.5 nm



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