



Quantum technologies based on nitrogen-vacancy centers in diamond: towards applications in (quantum) biology

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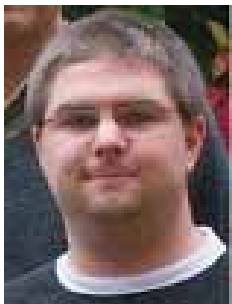
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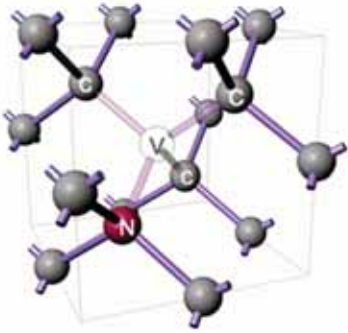
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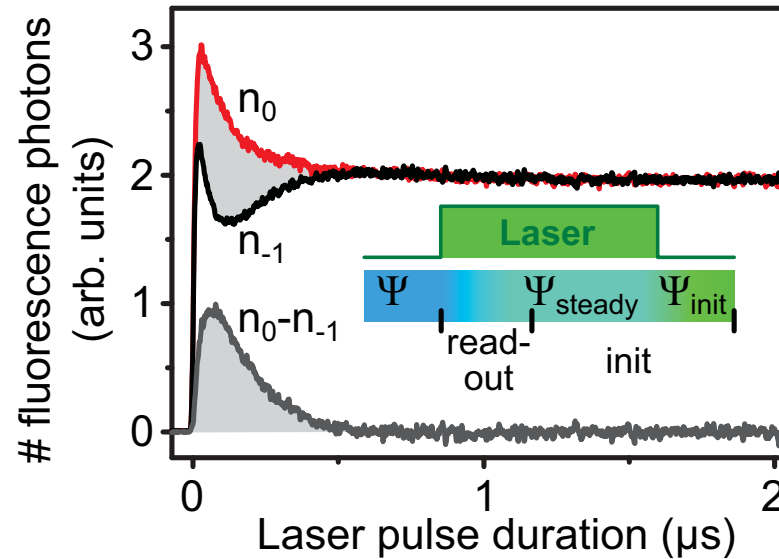
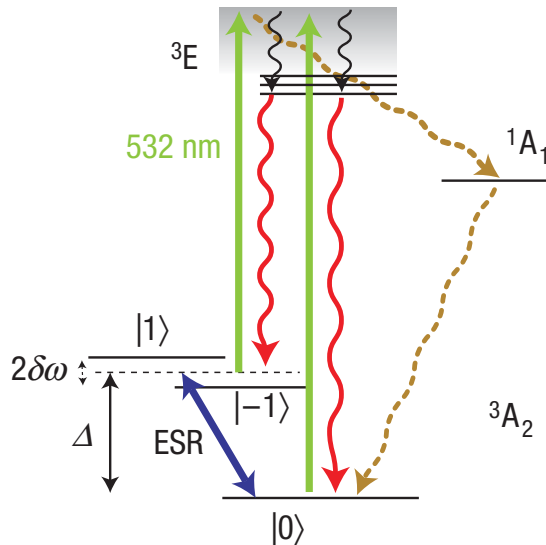
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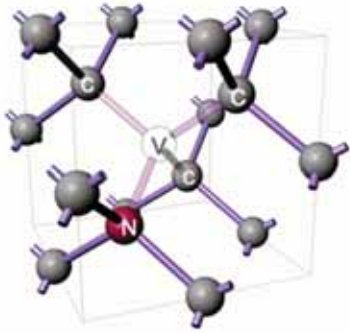
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- ⊙ A carbon vacancy migrate and binds to Nitrogen
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• Spin polarization via optical pumping

• Optical read out of spin state

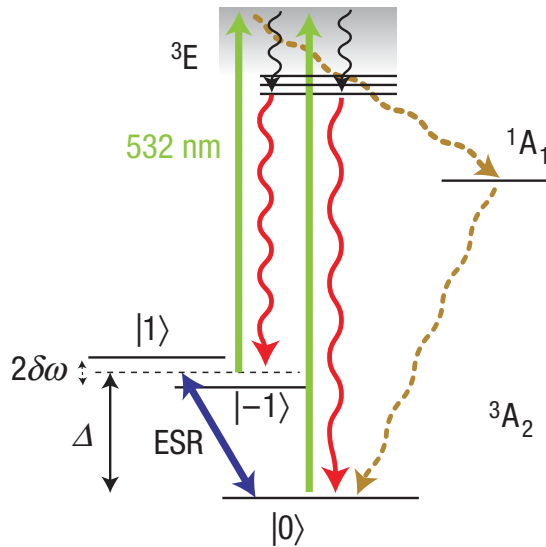
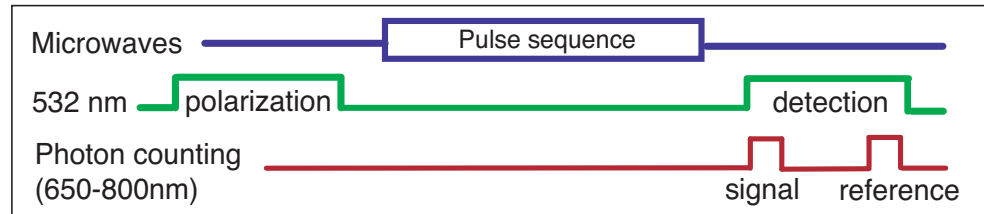


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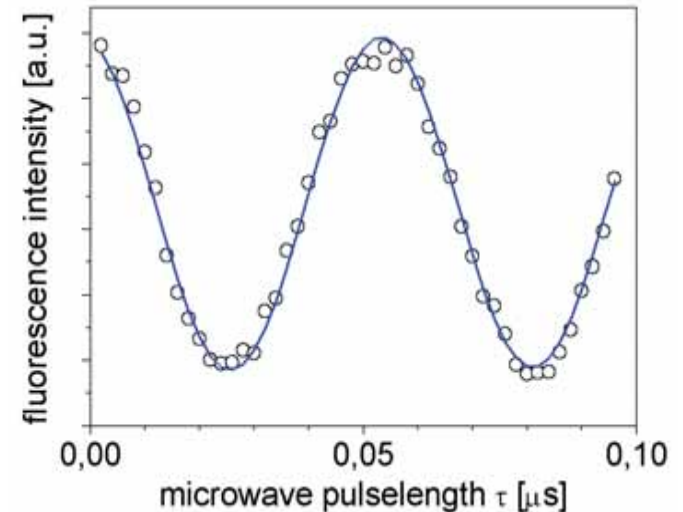


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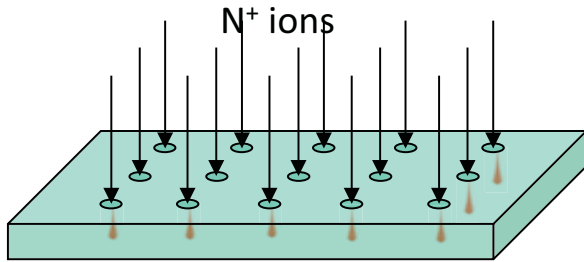


M. D. Liukin (Harvard)



A. Gruber et al., Science 276, 2012 (1997)

NV⁻ production



○ Implantation of nitrogen ions: vacancies

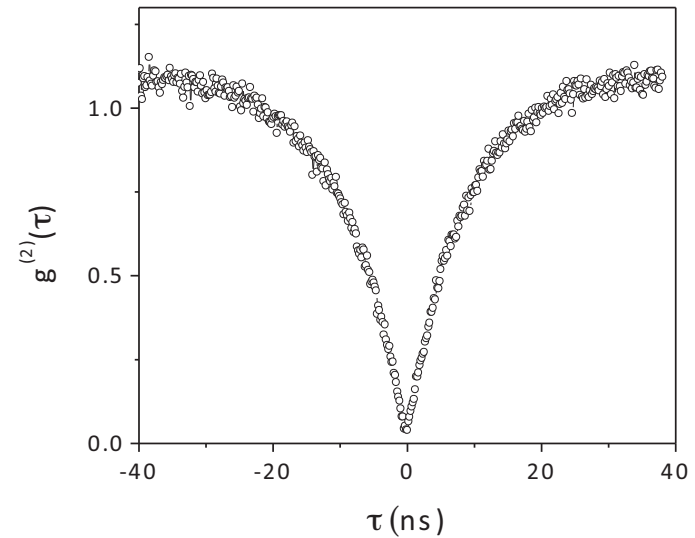
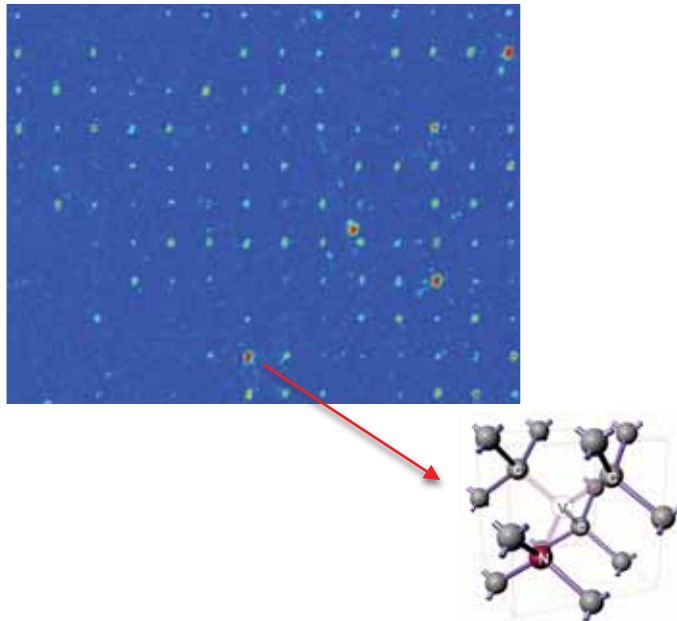
○ Annealing at $T > 700$ °C: migration of vacancies → creations of NV centers

○ Cleaning the surface in acid

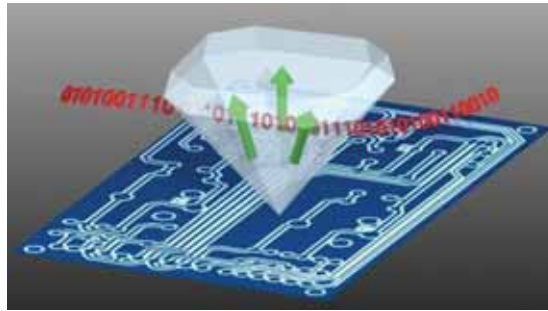
Yield depends on the implantation energy 1 to 60 %

J. Meijer et. al., APL 87, 261909 (2005). J. R. Rabeau, et al. APL 88, 023113 (2006)

Point defect with single emitter

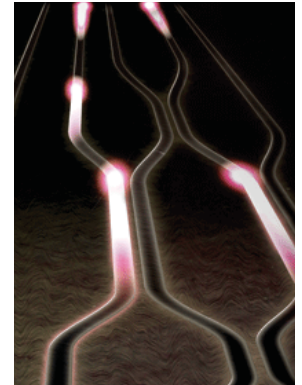


quantum computing



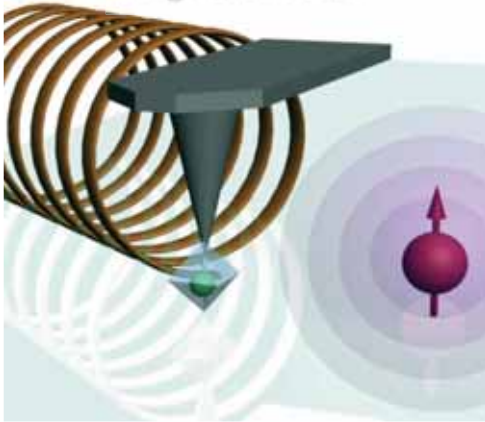
P. Neumann et al., *Science* 329, 542 (2010)

Quantum devices and photonics



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Scanning probe magnetometer

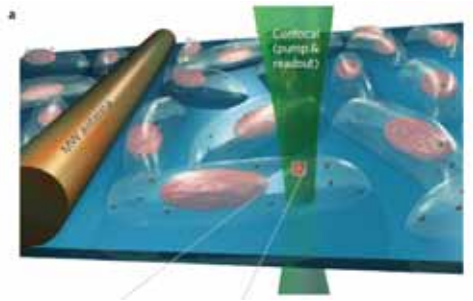


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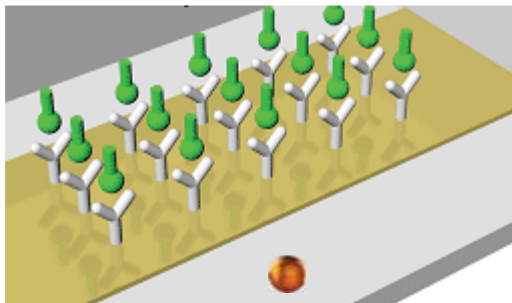
NV in diamond

Nanodiamonds for cellular imaging



L. C. L. Hollenberg, et al, *Nature Nanotec* 6, 358 (2011).

Biosensor technology & Molecular Spin sensors



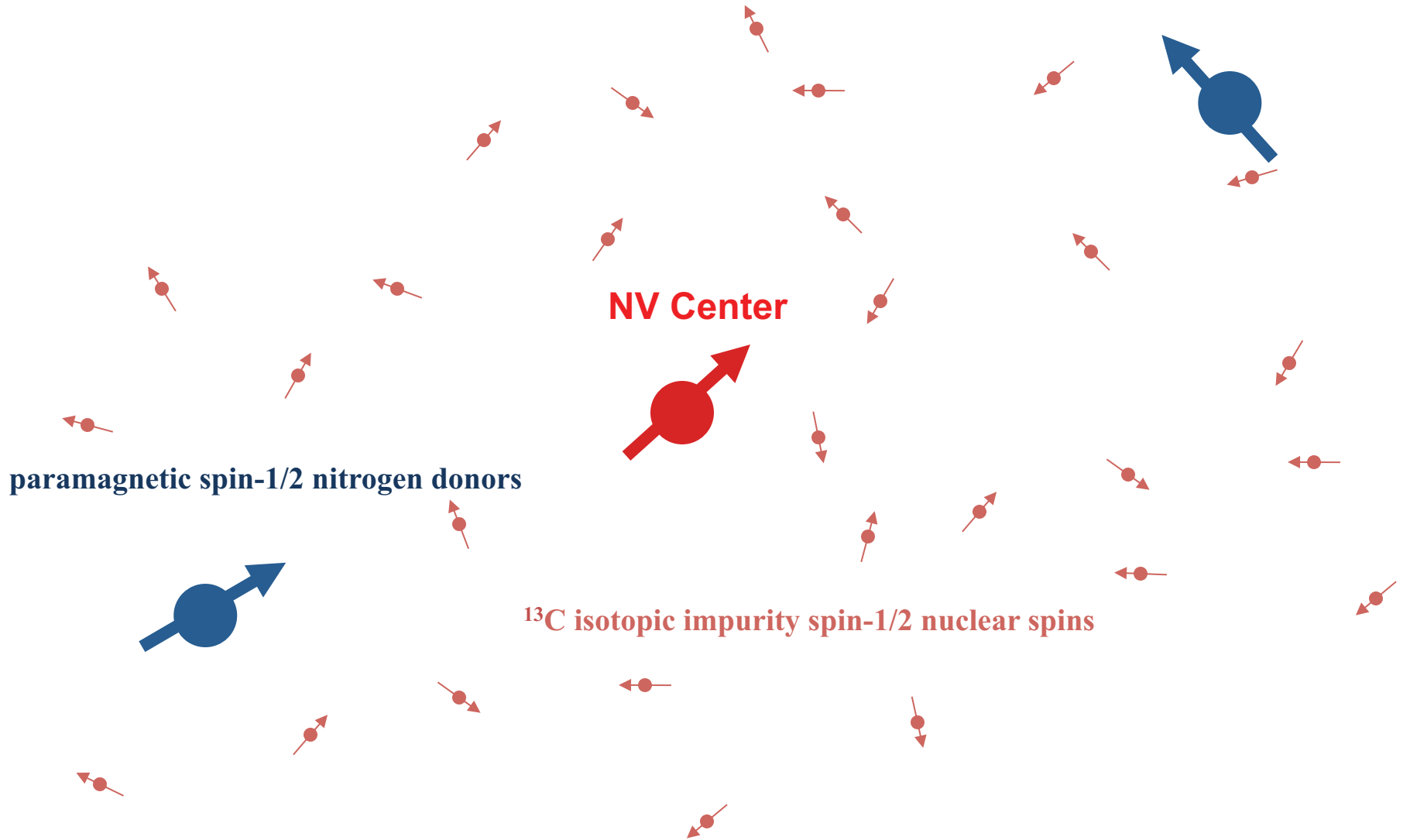


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NV in diamond

Decoherence of NV centers in diamond

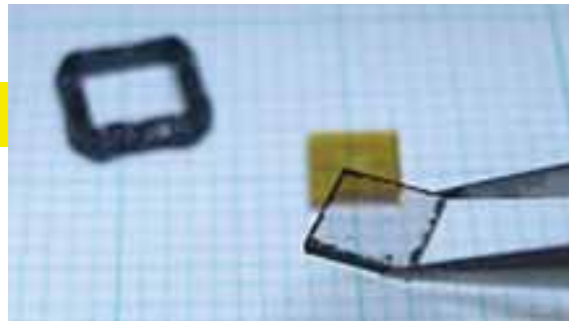


NV⁻ production

NIMS
Tsukuba

99.999% ¹²C Enrichment

growth of ¹²C enriched single crystal diamond starting from 99.999% ¹²C enriched CH₄



CVD growth

¹²C 99.998%
(SIMS)

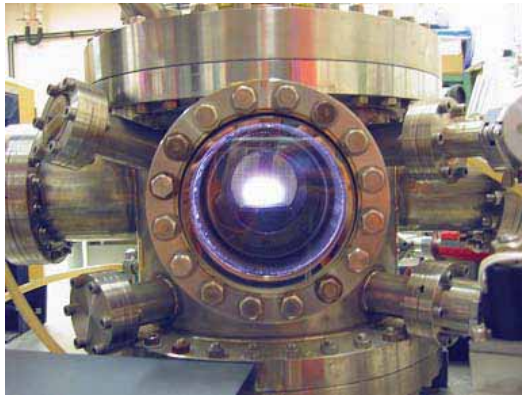
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HPHT growth

NV⁻ production

Isotope: 99.999% ¹²C

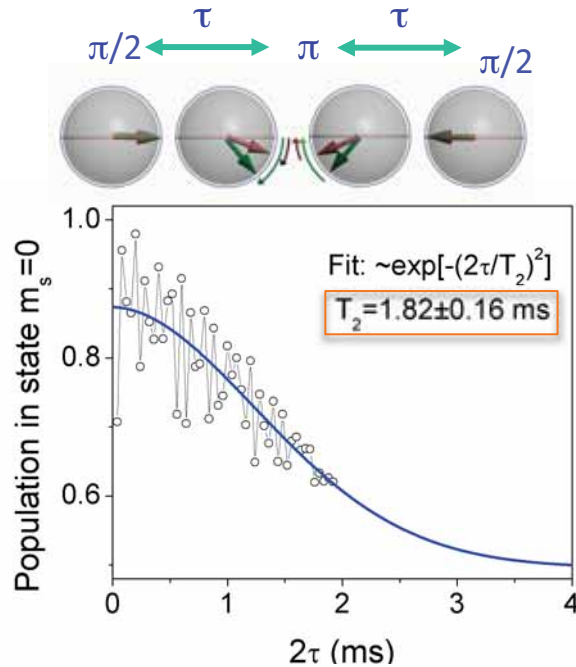


Concentration of impurities: below 10¹² cm⁻³



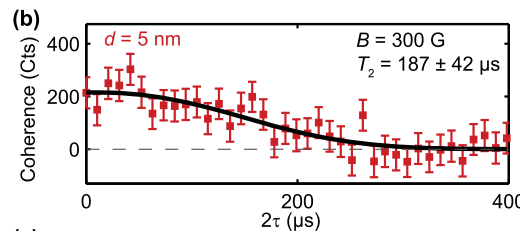
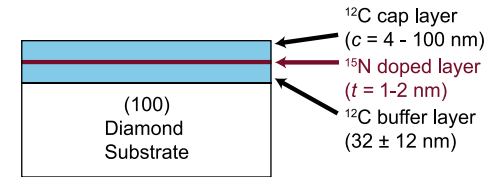
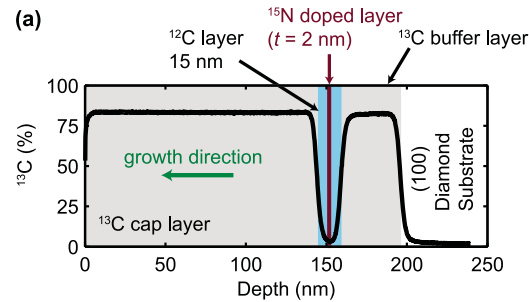
D. Twitchen, Element 6 Ltd

CVD reactor: University Paris XIII (Villeneuve) J. Achard



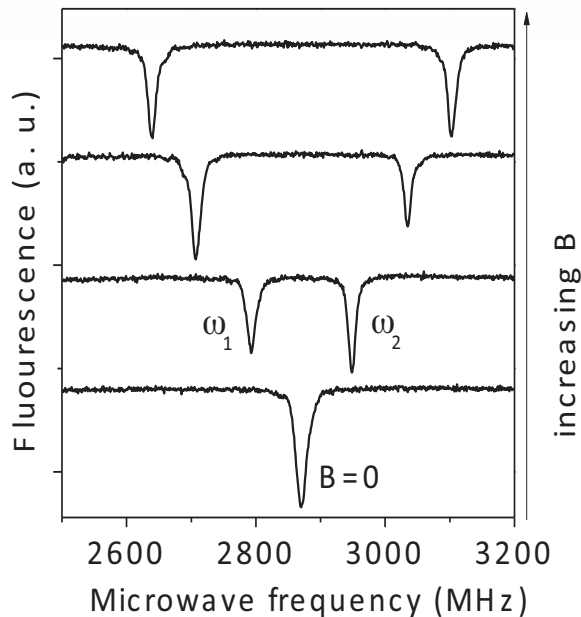
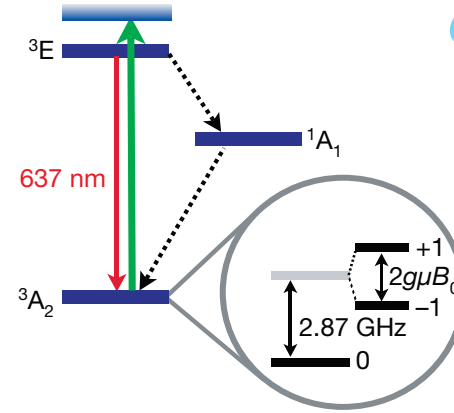
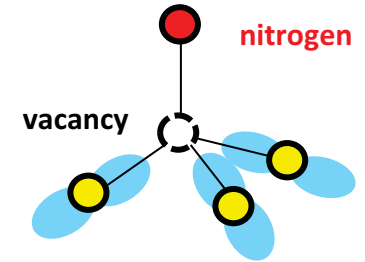
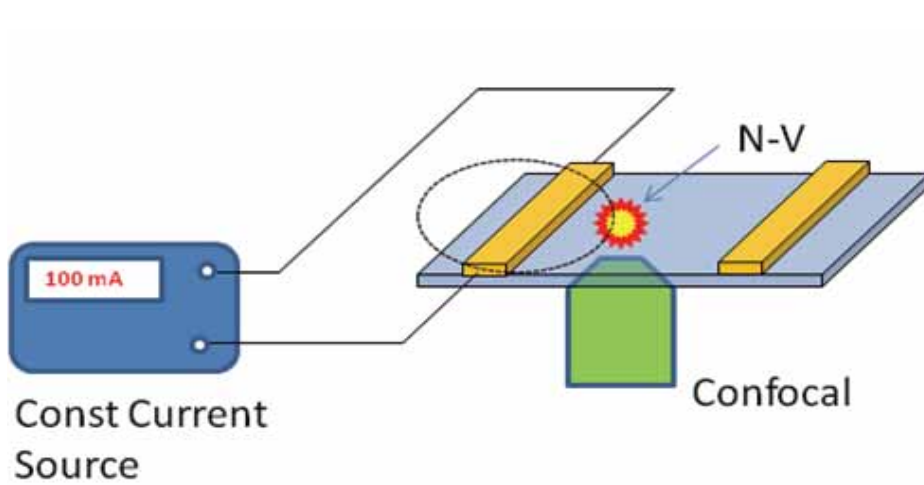
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Engineering shallow NV centers in diamond



David D. Awschalom (UCSB), APL (2012)

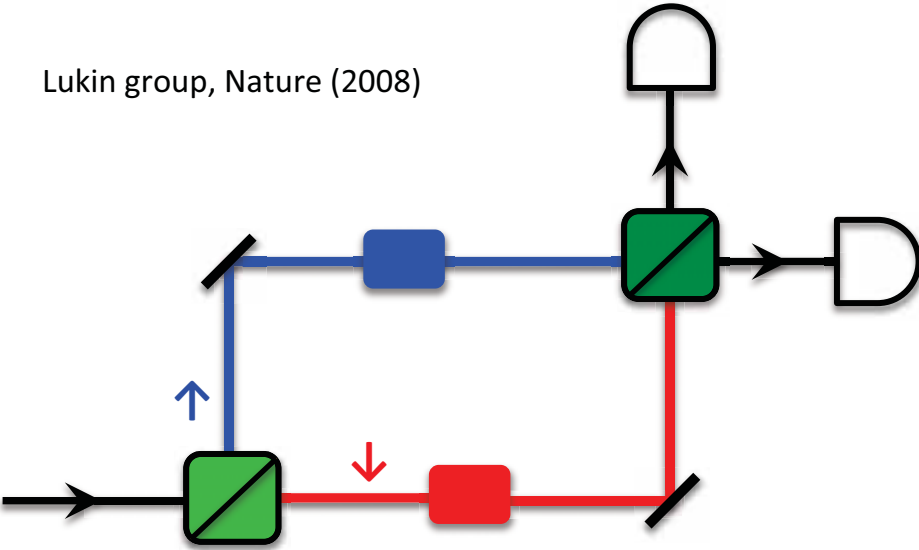
Quantum metrology with NV center: atomic-sized magnetometer



- Zeeman effect on single spin
- Sensitivity depends on the line width

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Lukin group, Nature (2008)



Static magnetic field

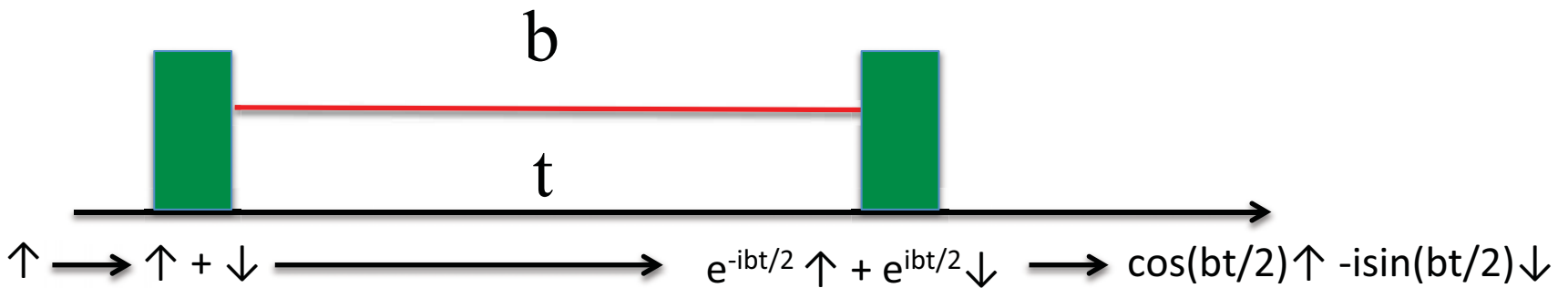
- Shot noise limit sensitivity

$$\eta = \frac{\langle \Delta P^2 \rangle^{1/2}}{\partial P / \partial b} = \frac{\hbar}{g\mu_B t} \quad P = \cos^2\left(\frac{bt}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}[1 + \cos(bt)]$$

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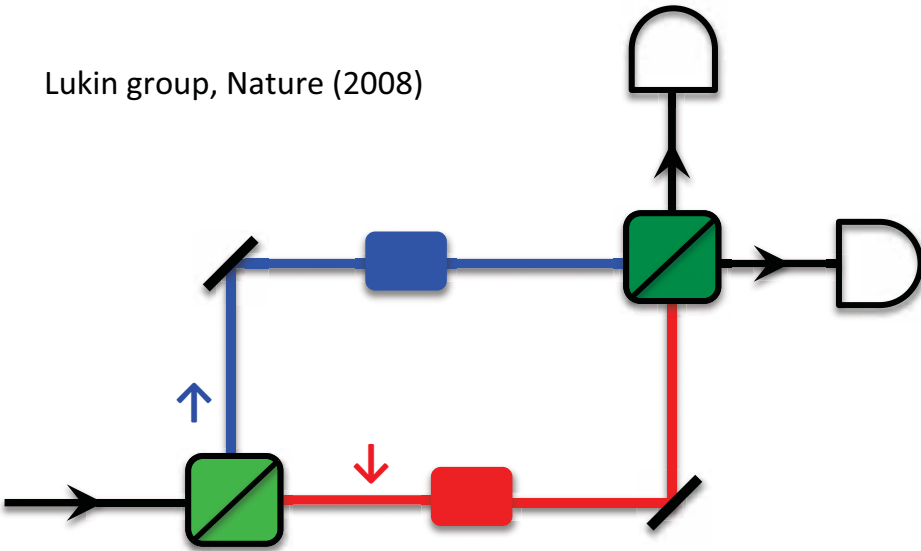
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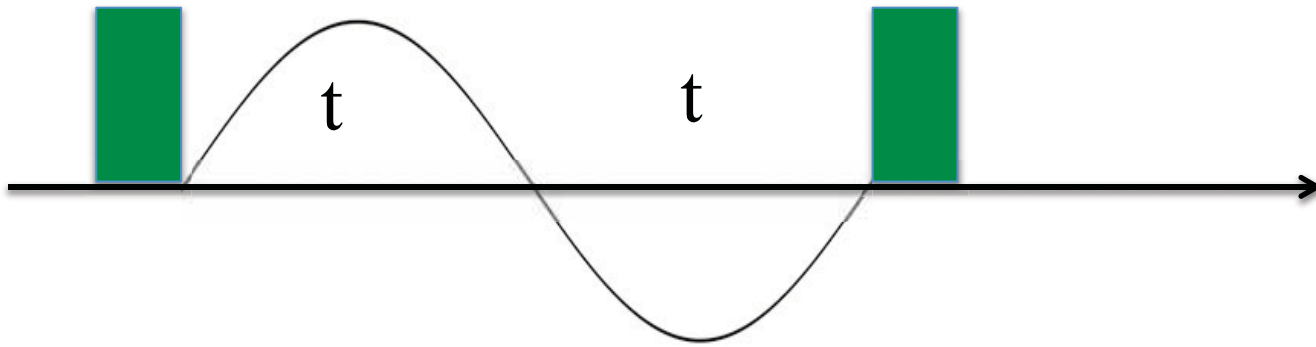
Dipolar interaction

$$B = \frac{\mu_0 \hbar \gamma_e}{r^3} [1 - 3\cos^2(\theta)] S_z$$

Spin	Distance (r)	Field	Required T_2
Electron	10 nm	1 μ T	$\sim 2 \mu$ s
Proton	10 nm	1 nT	~ 2 ms

Quantum metrology with NV center: atomic-sized magnetometer

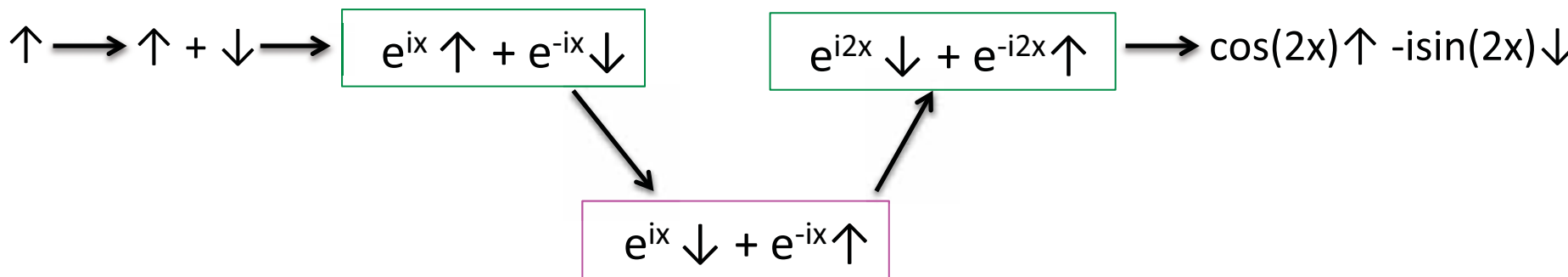
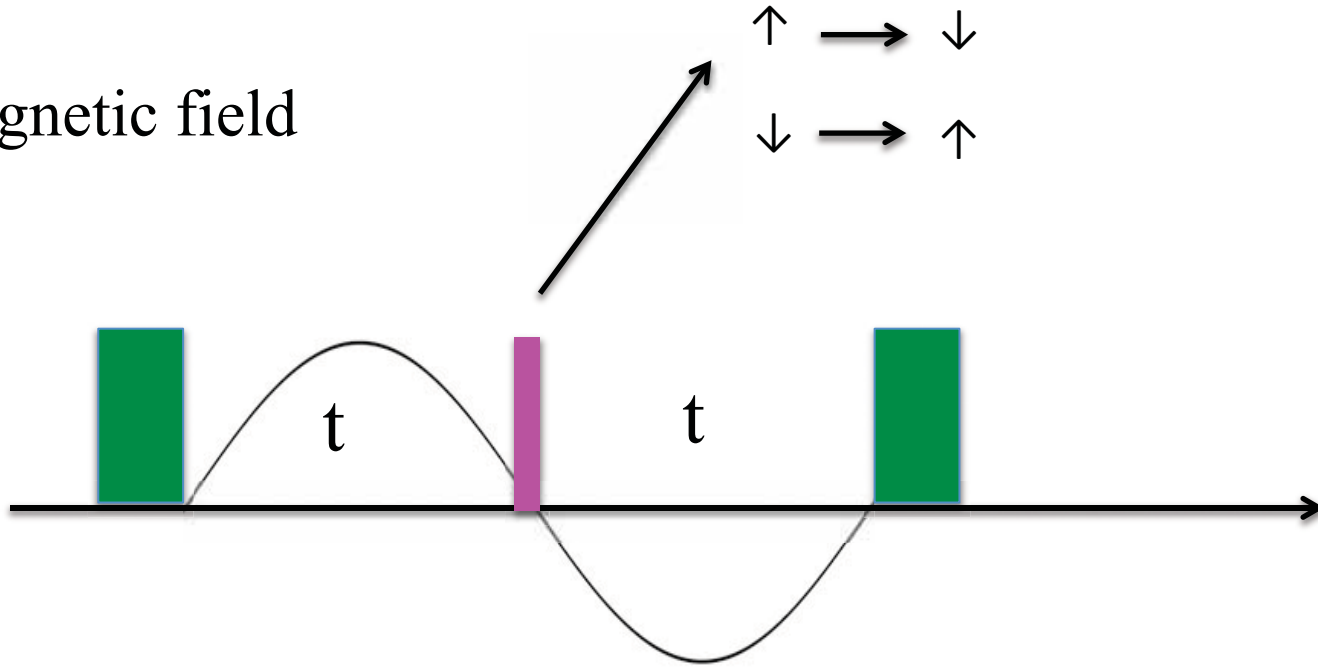
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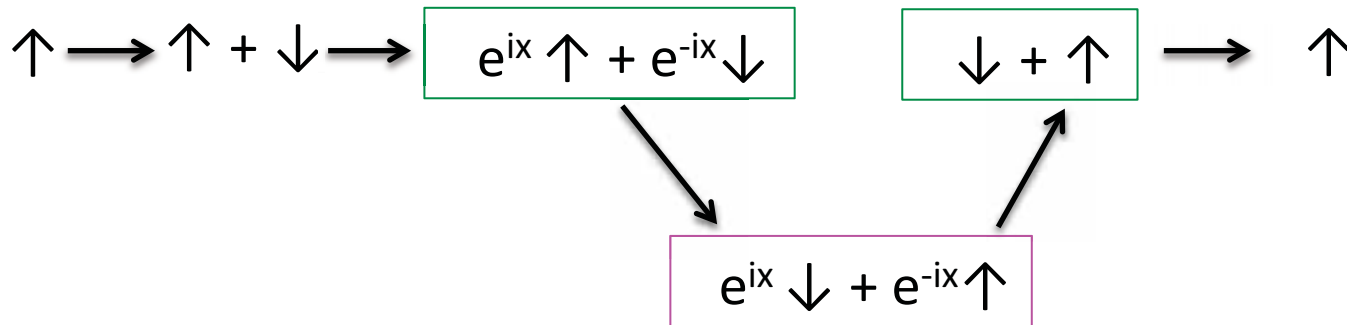
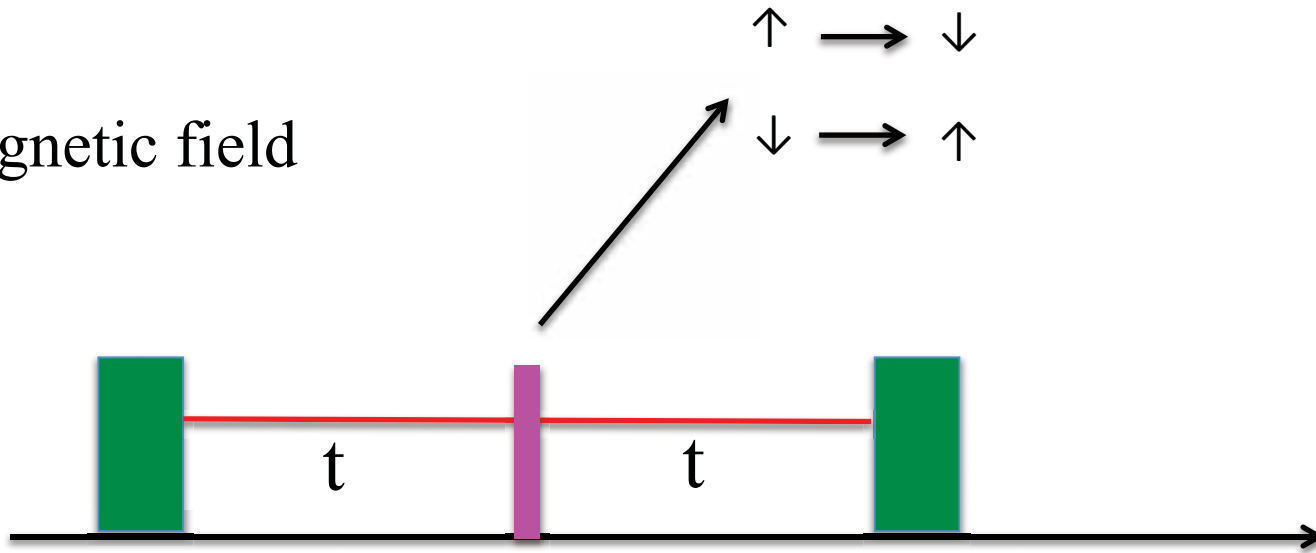
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AC magnetic field



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DC magnetic field



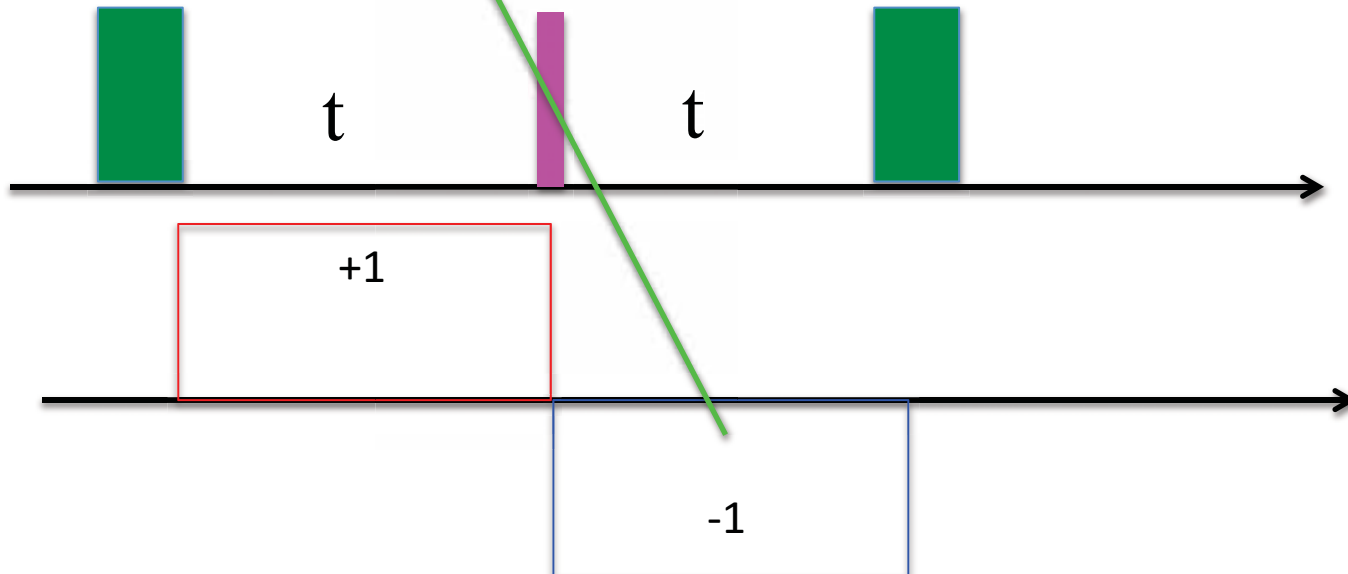
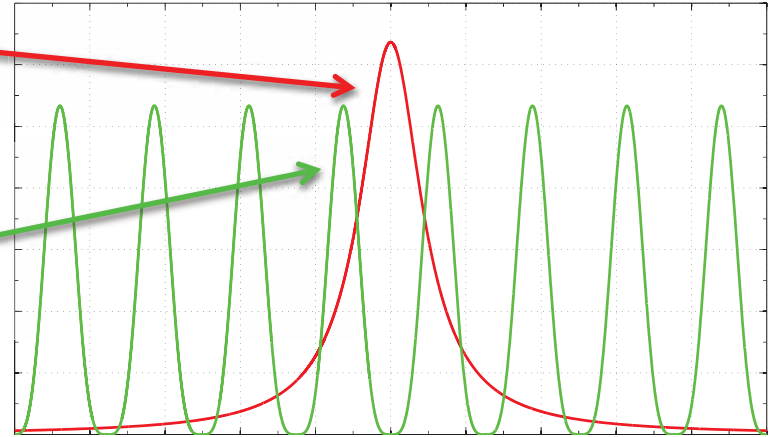
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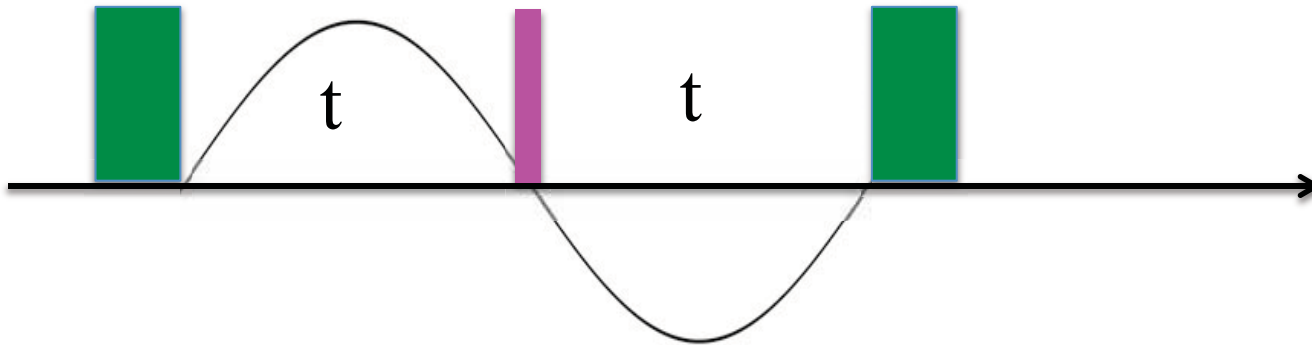
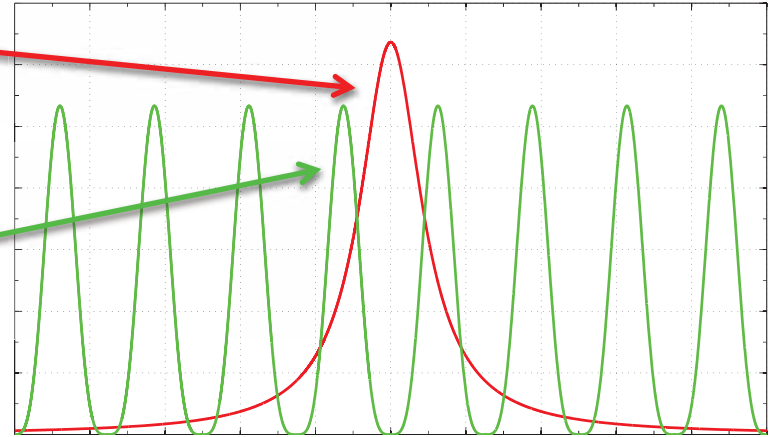
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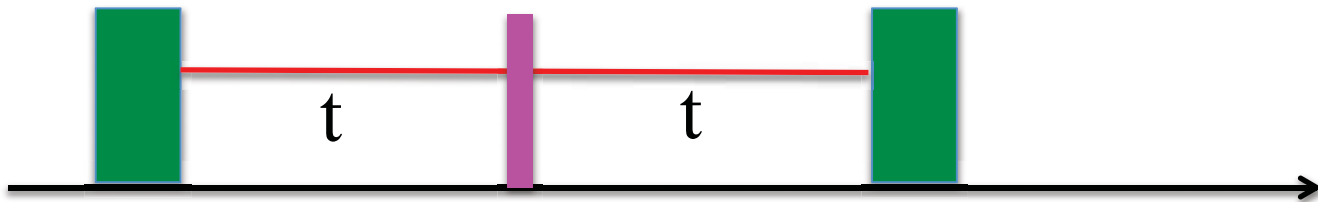
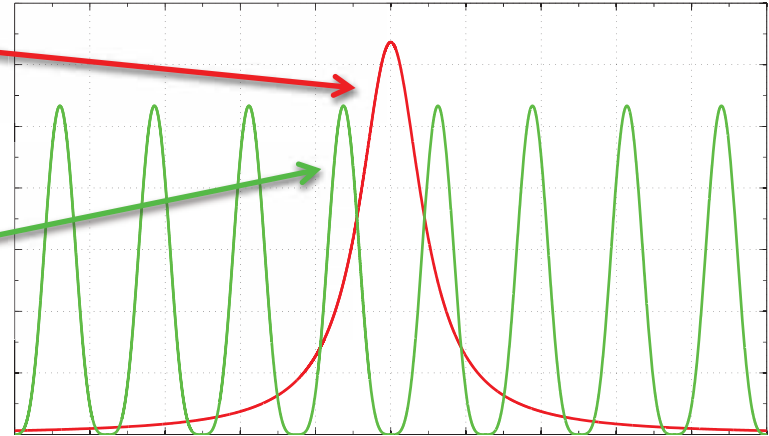
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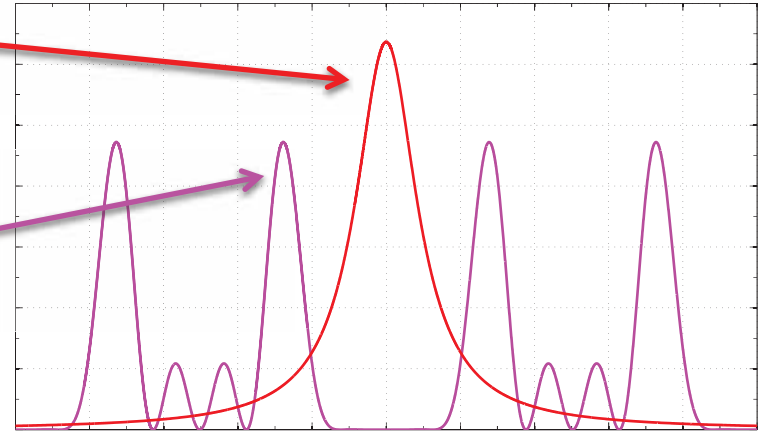
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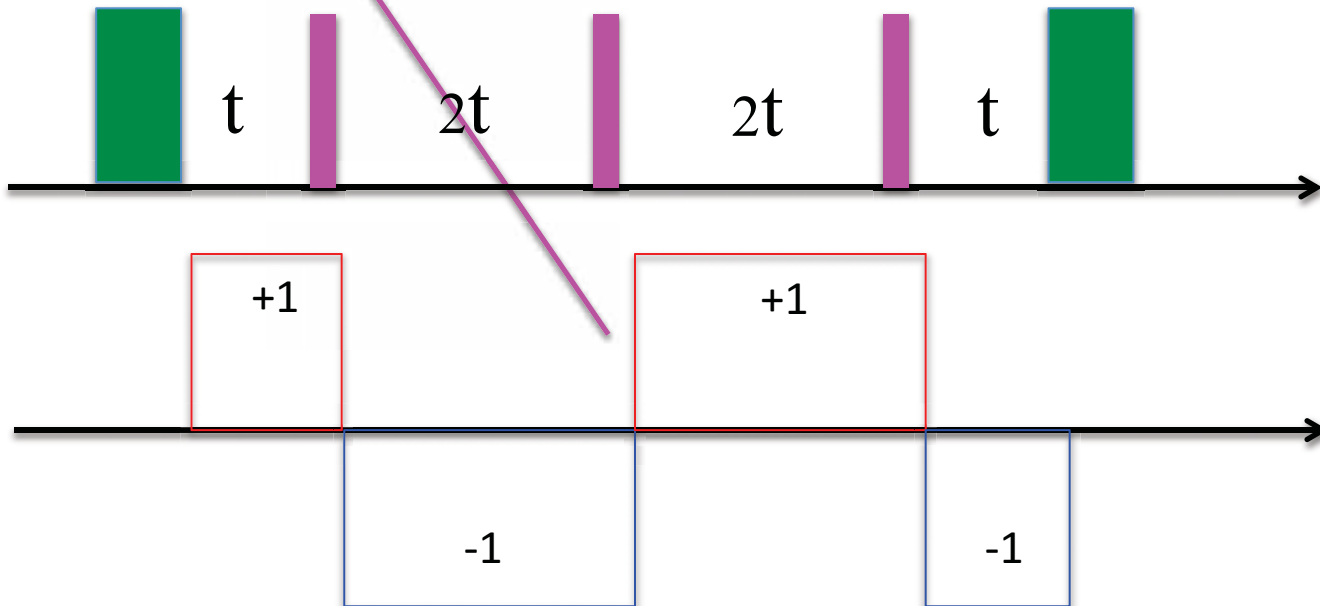
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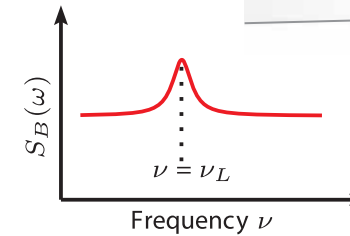
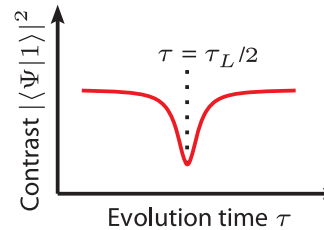
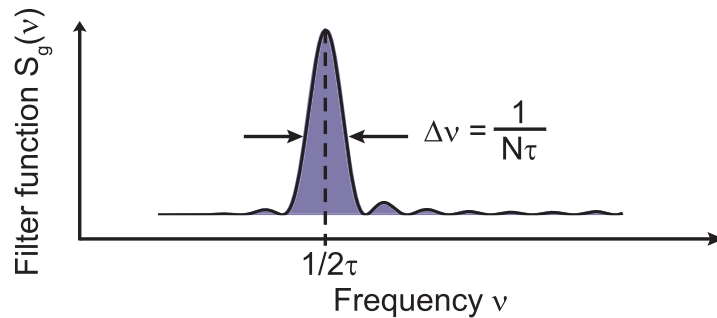
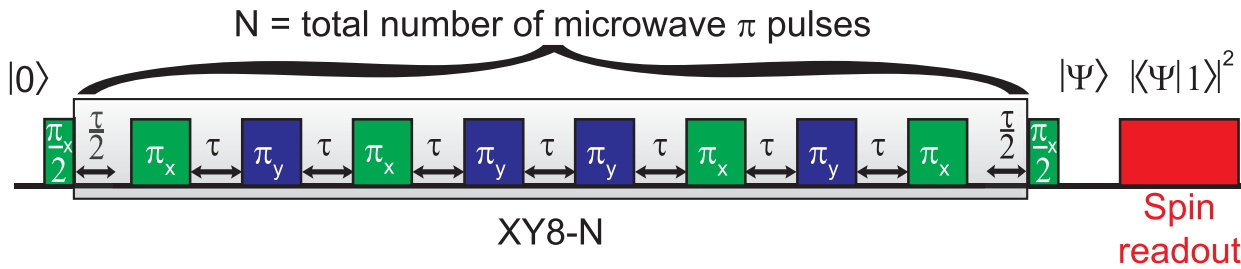
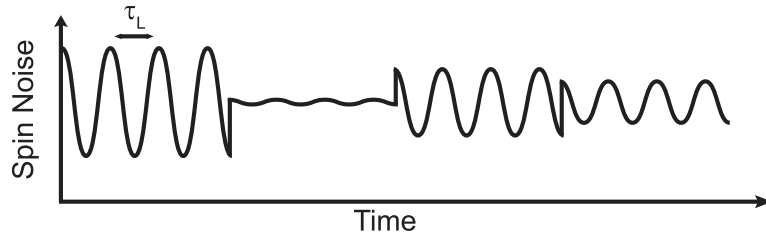
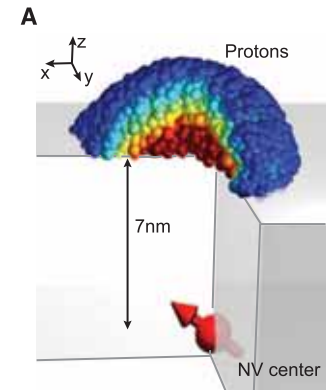
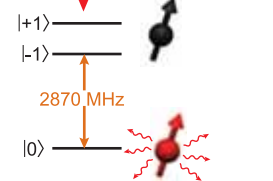
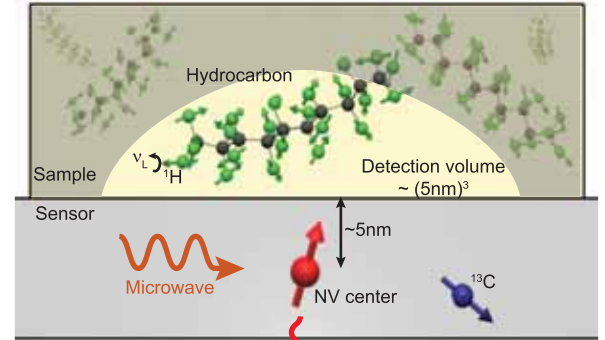
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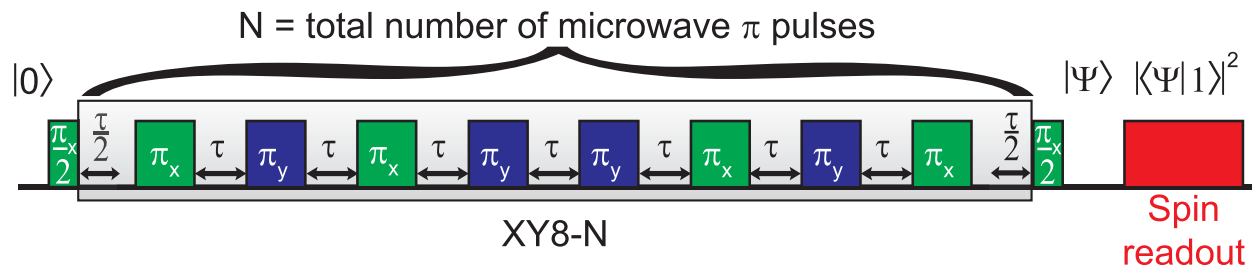
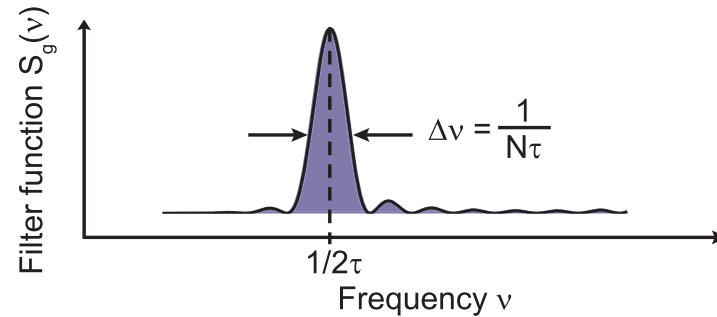
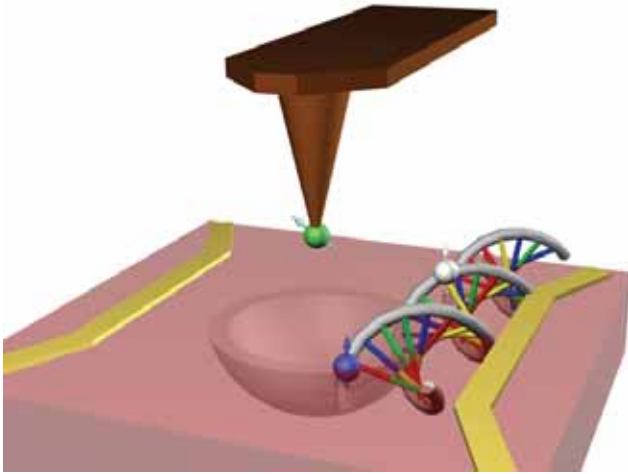


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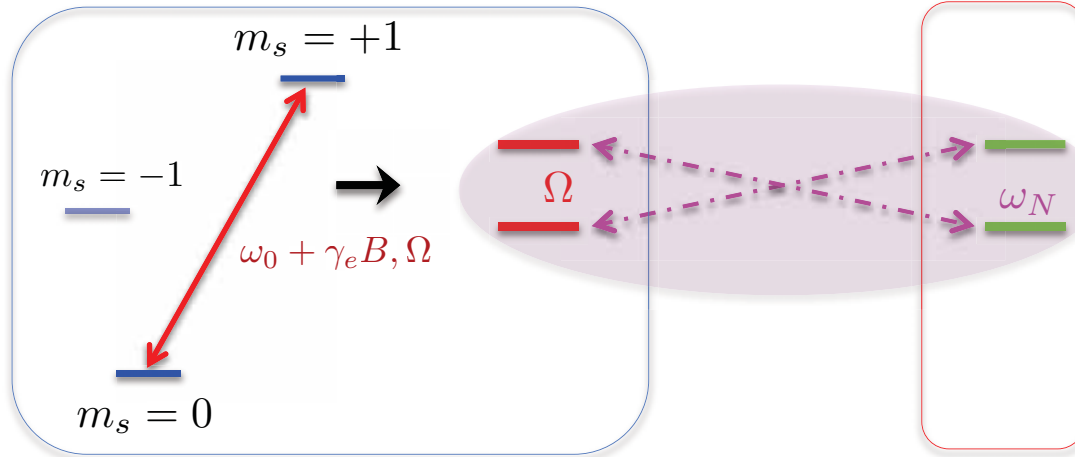


NV center as a quantum probe for biological applications

Pulse dynamical decoupling schemes: **Energy considerations**



NV center as a tunable spectrometer with continuous driving



NV spectrometer

Target system

Hartmann-Hahn resonant condition (1962)

J.-M. Cai, F. Jelezko, M. B. Plenio, A. Retzker, arXiv:1112.5502, New J. Phys. 15, 013020 (2013)

 Robust concatenated continuous driving

 Selective NV-nuclear spin coupling

Sensing nuclear spins: T_1

Readout nuclear spin state

 Spin polarization exchange

Dynamical nuclear spin polarization



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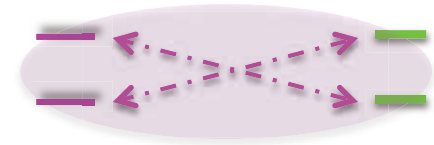
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Sensing nuclear or electron spins

Measure position of a single nucleus: Example

- Measurement on NV spin



- Flip-flop process between spin sensor and target system

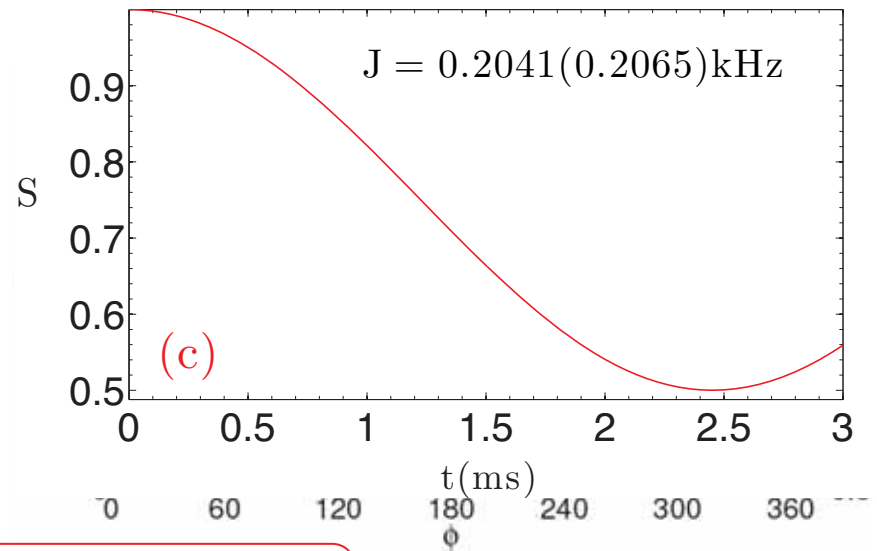
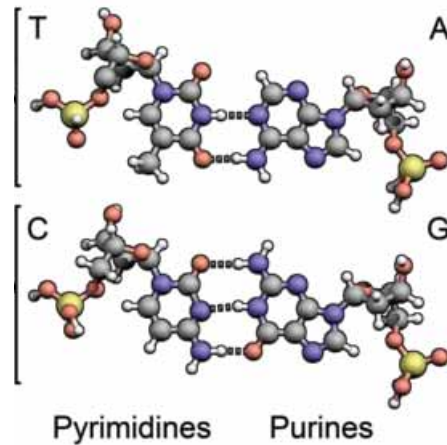
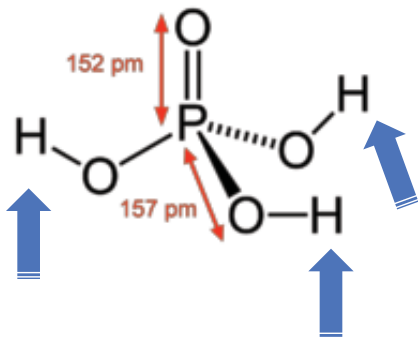
$$J = \frac{1}{4} \left(g \sqrt{3r_z^2 + 1} \right) \left(1 - |\hat{h} \cdot \hat{b}|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$S(t) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} [1 + \cos(Jt)]$$

- Continuously drive hydrogen spins

$$\omega_{31P} = 500 \text{ kHz}$$

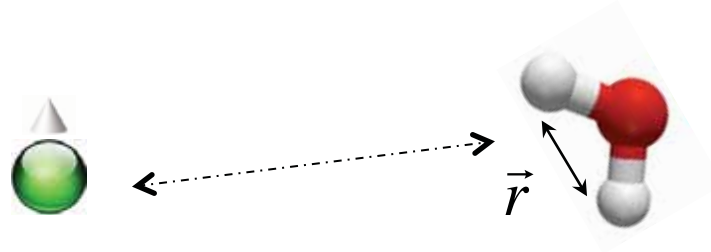
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$$27\Omega_{1H} = 20 \text{ kHz}$$

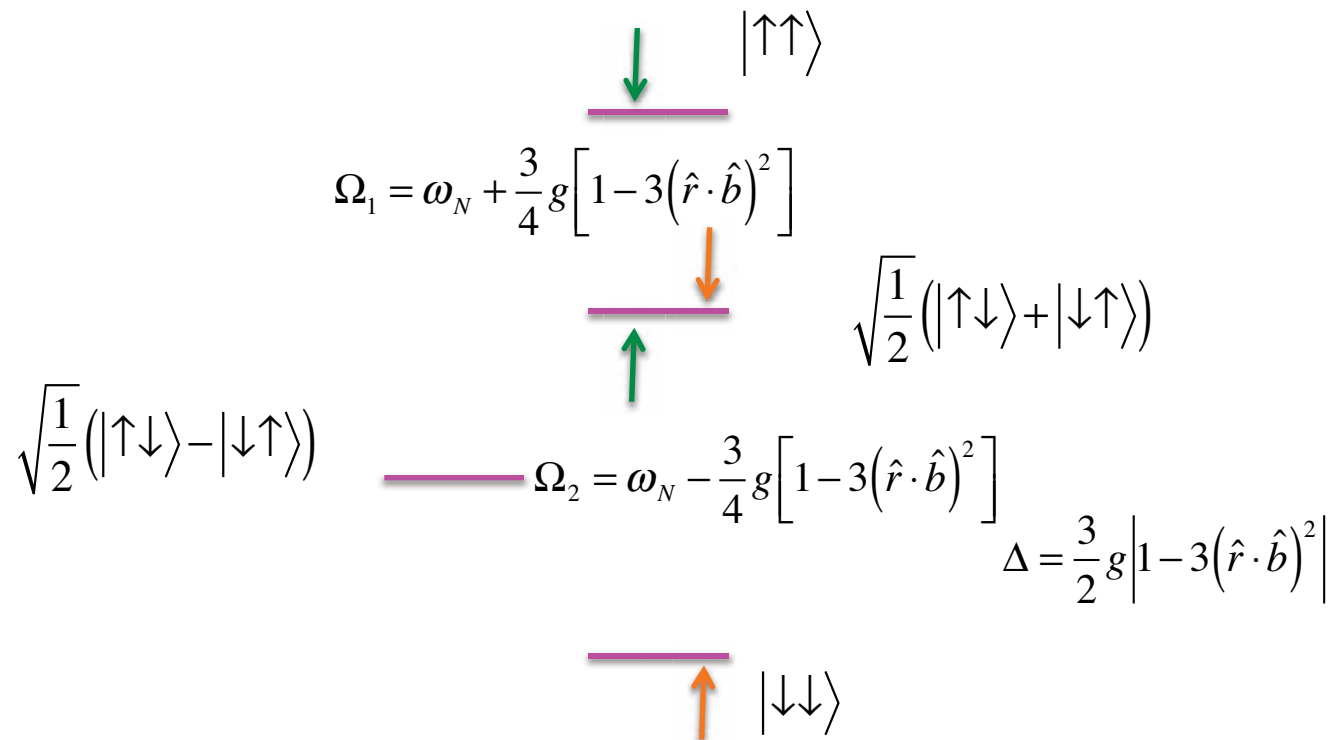
$$g = -\frac{\hbar\mu_0\gamma_e\gamma_N}{4\pi r^3} \xrightarrow{r=5\text{nm}} 0.21 \text{ kHz} \longrightarrow t=3\text{ms}$$

Measure distance and alignment of a nuclear spin pair

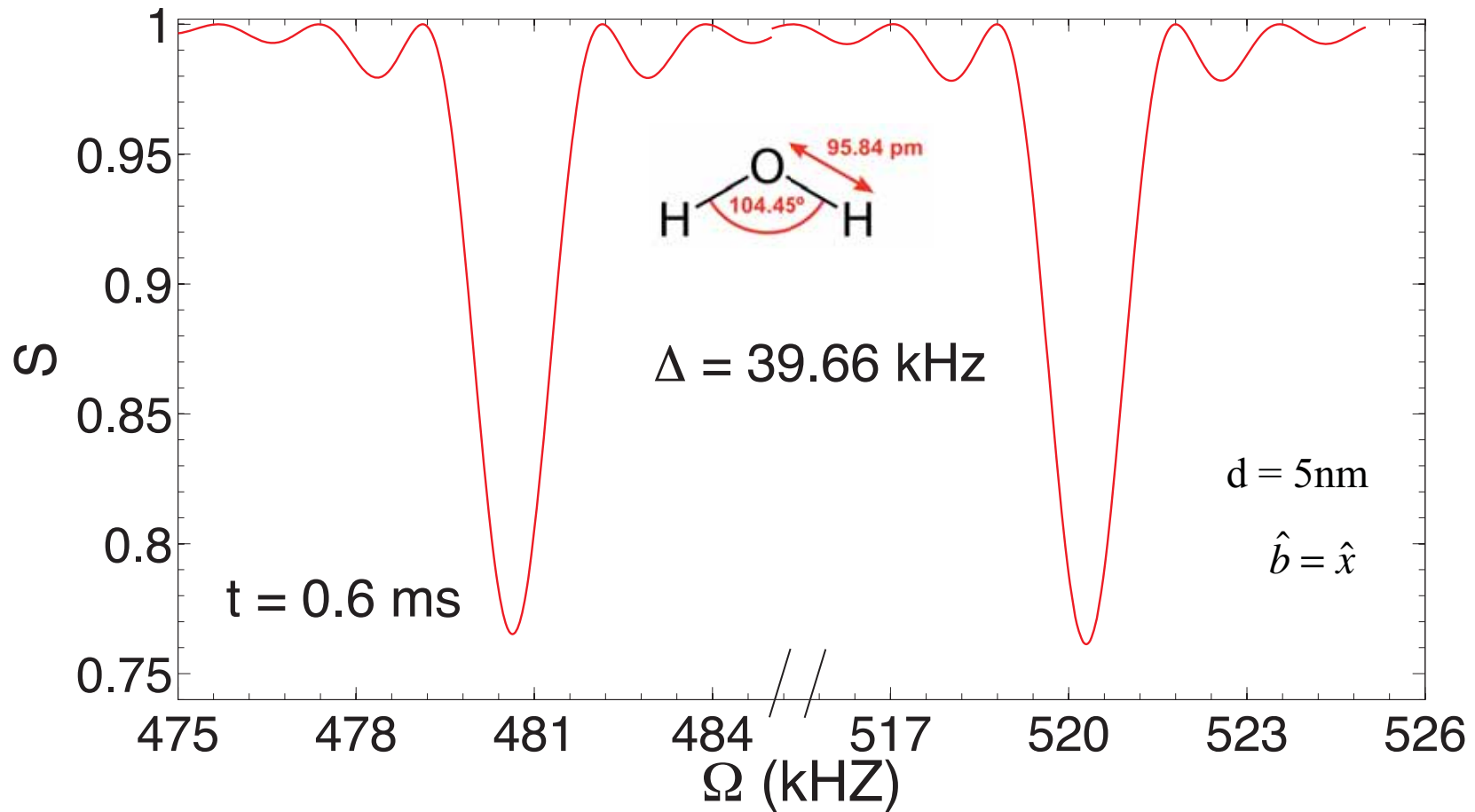
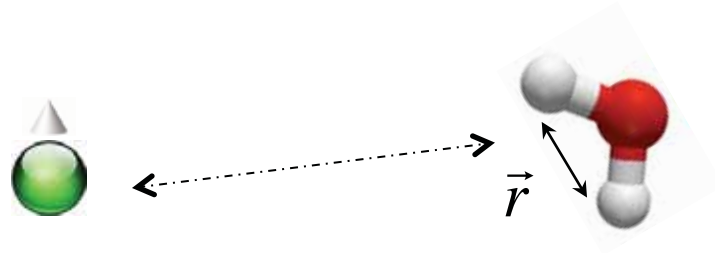


$$H_S = -\gamma_N \vec{B} \cdot (\vec{I}_1 + \vec{I}_2) + g \left(\frac{1}{r^3} \right) \left[\vec{I}_1 \cdot \vec{I}_2 - 3(\vec{I}_1 \cdot \hat{r})(\vec{I}_2 \cdot \hat{r}) \right]$$

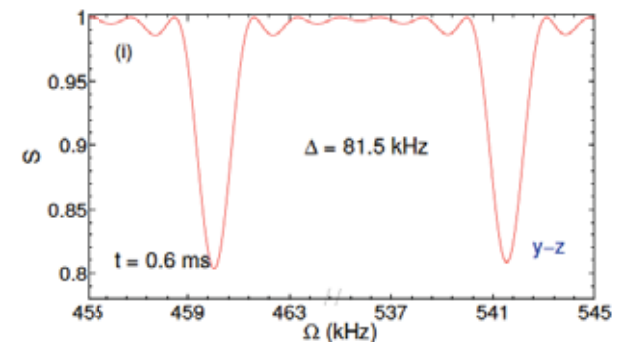
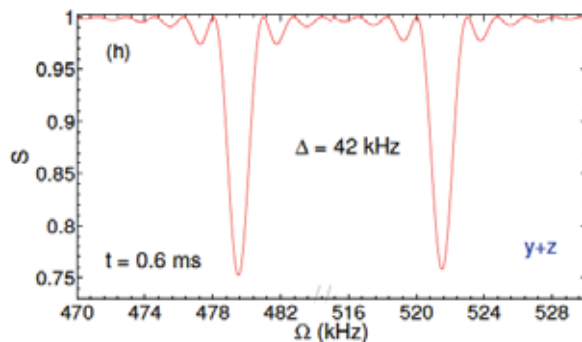
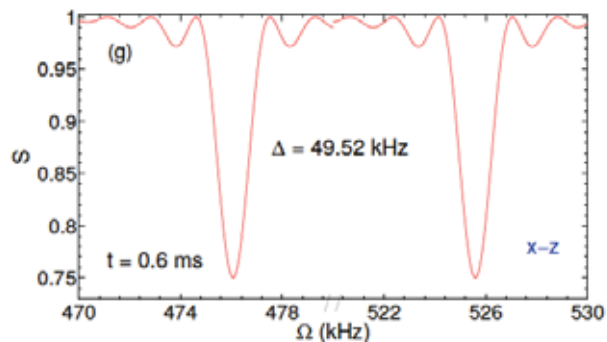
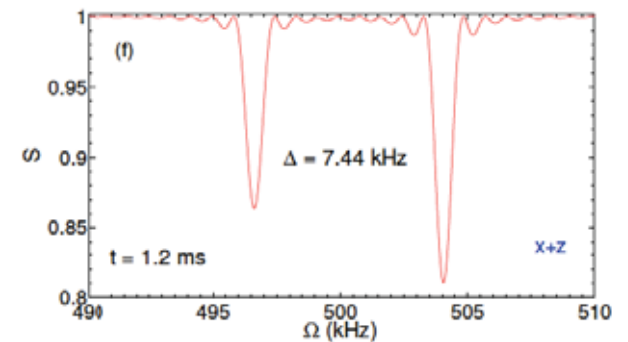
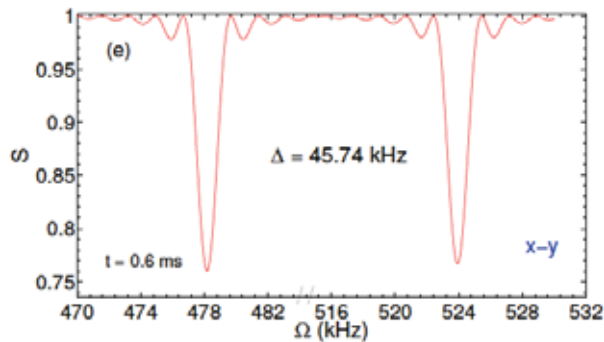
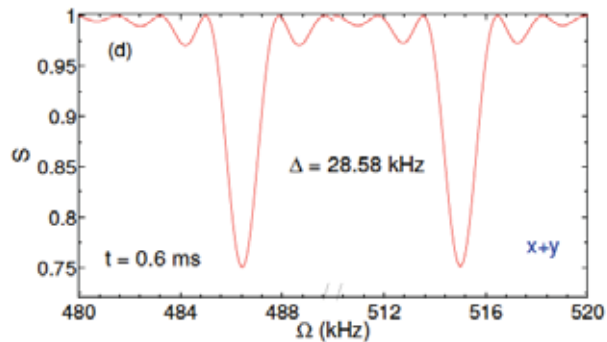
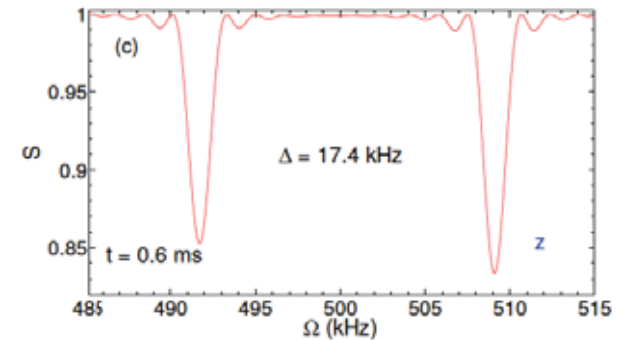
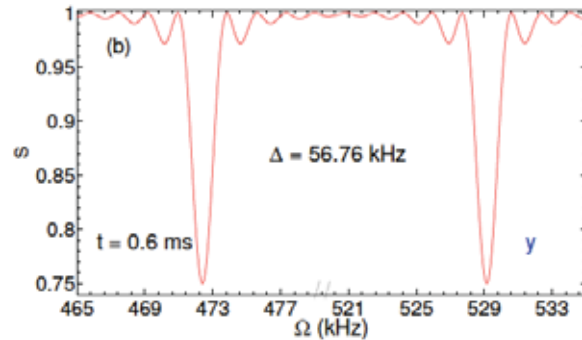
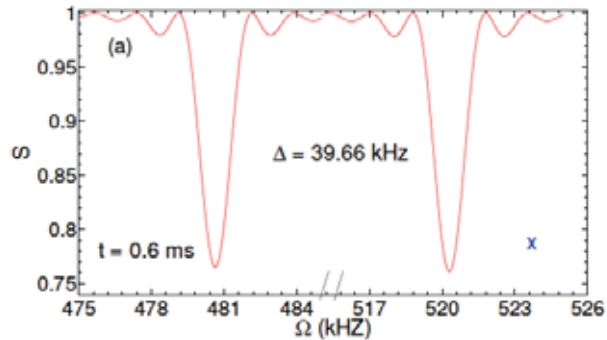
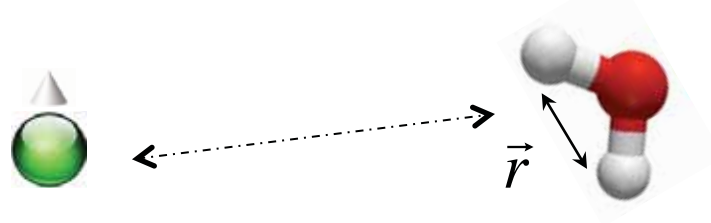
- Magnetic field dependent energy spectrum of a spin pair



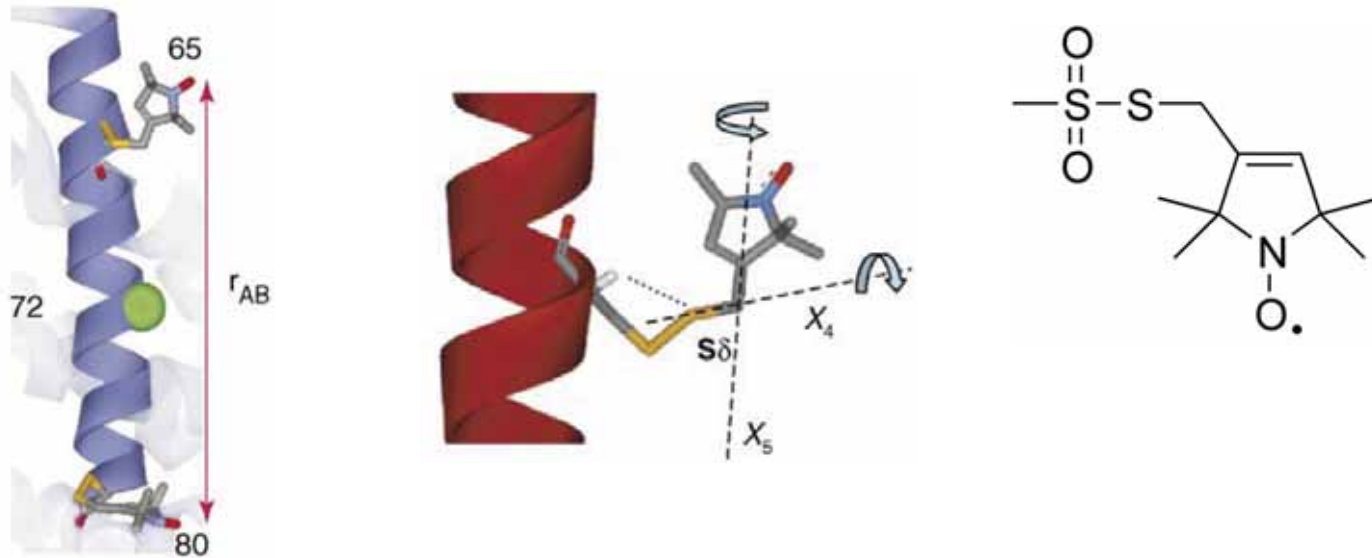
Measure distance and alignment of a nuclear spin pair



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Measure distance between a pair of electron spins: organic spin labels



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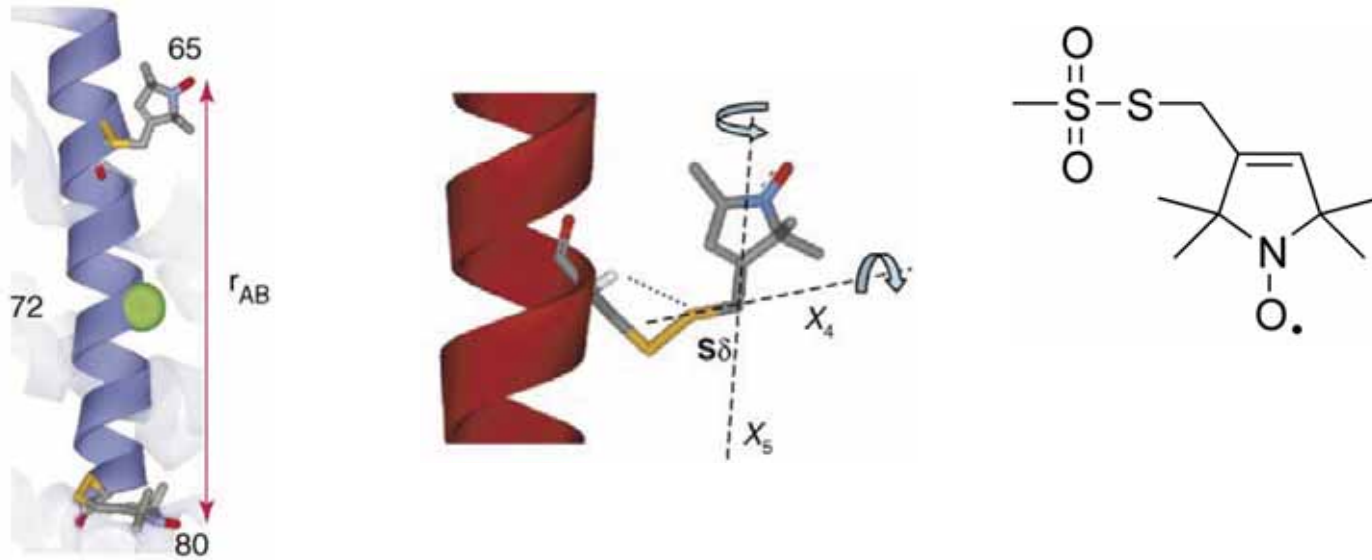
○ Wide applications:

- Protein orientation
- Distance measurements
- Protein dynamics
- Structural biology

○ Determine intra and intermolecular distance: hard to go beyond 5 nm

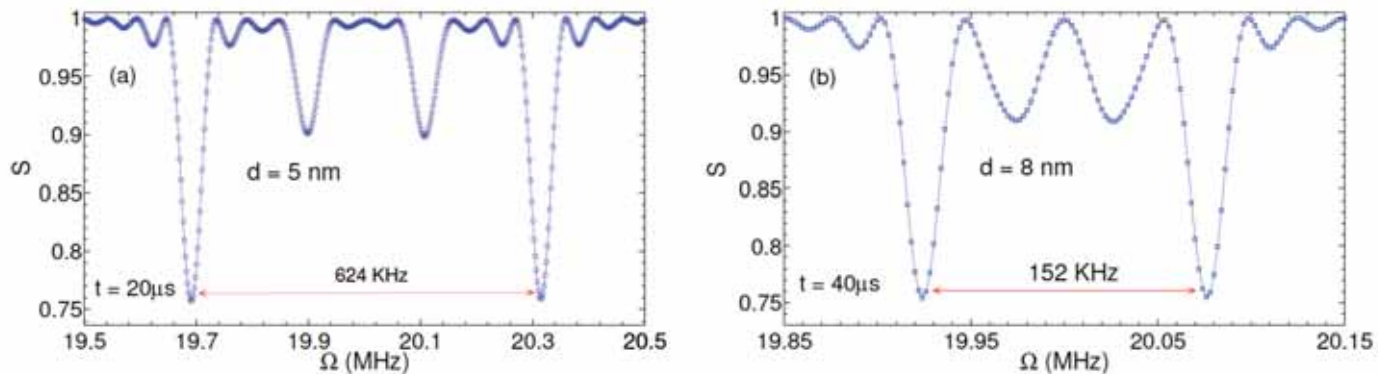
- Inhomogeneous broadening

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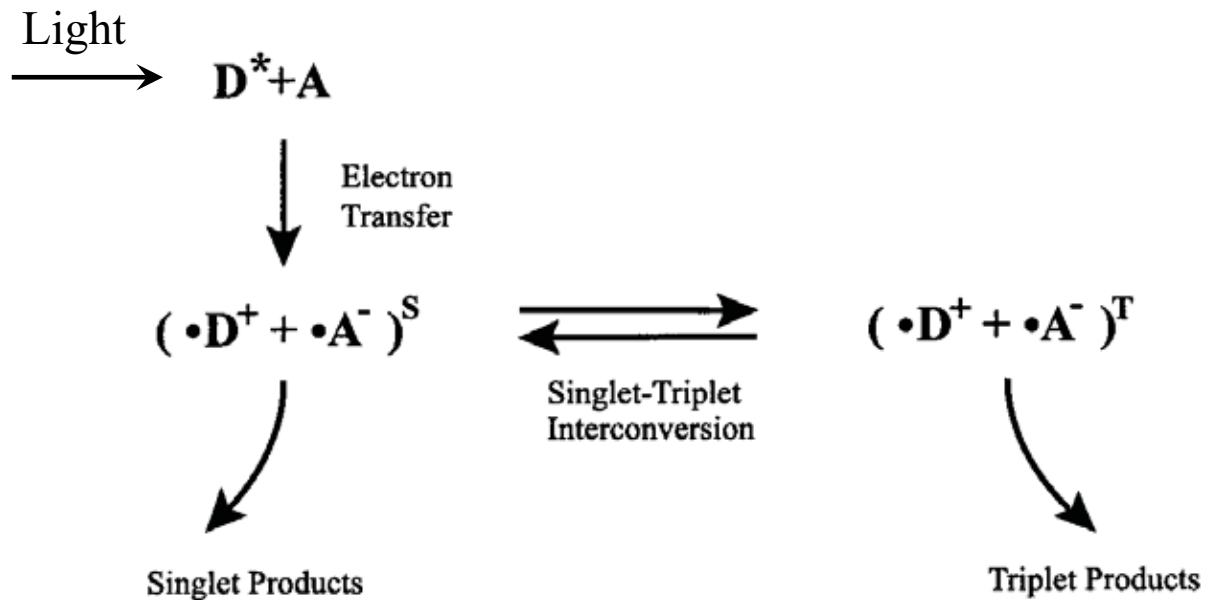


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- Continuously drive both NV center and label spins



Monitor the charge recombination of radical pair



❖ Haberkorn Approach

$$\frac{d}{dt}\rho = -i[H, \rho] - \frac{1}{2} \left(L_S^\dagger L_S \rho + \rho L_S^\dagger L_S - 2L_S \rho L_S^\dagger \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(L_T^\dagger L_T \rho + \rho L_T^\dagger L_T - 2L_T \rho L_T^\dagger \right)$$

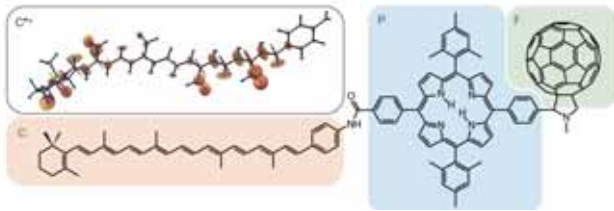
$$L_S = k^{1/2} (Q_S \otimes |P\rangle \langle S|)$$

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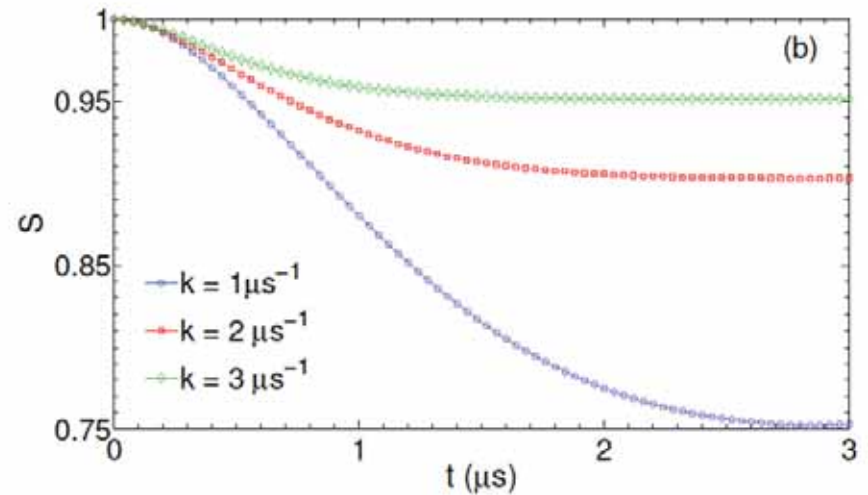
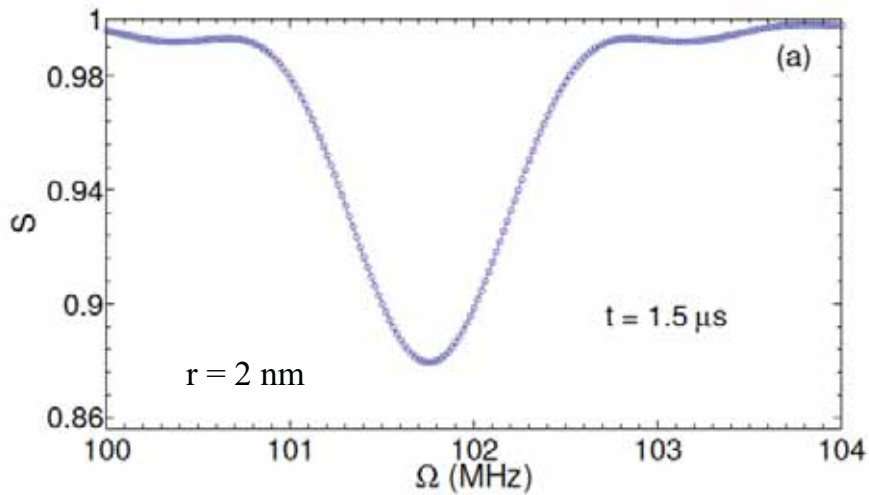
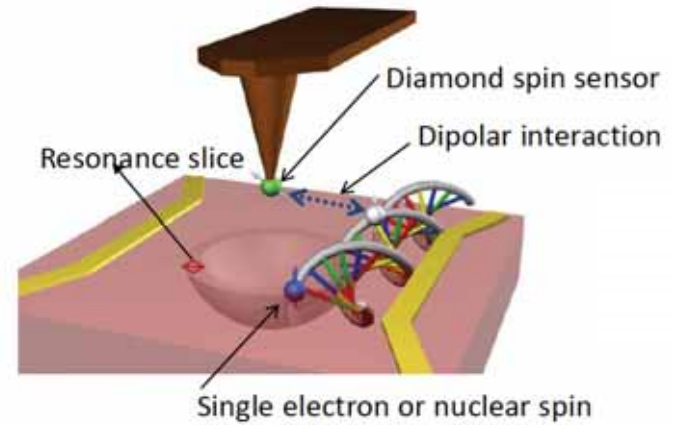
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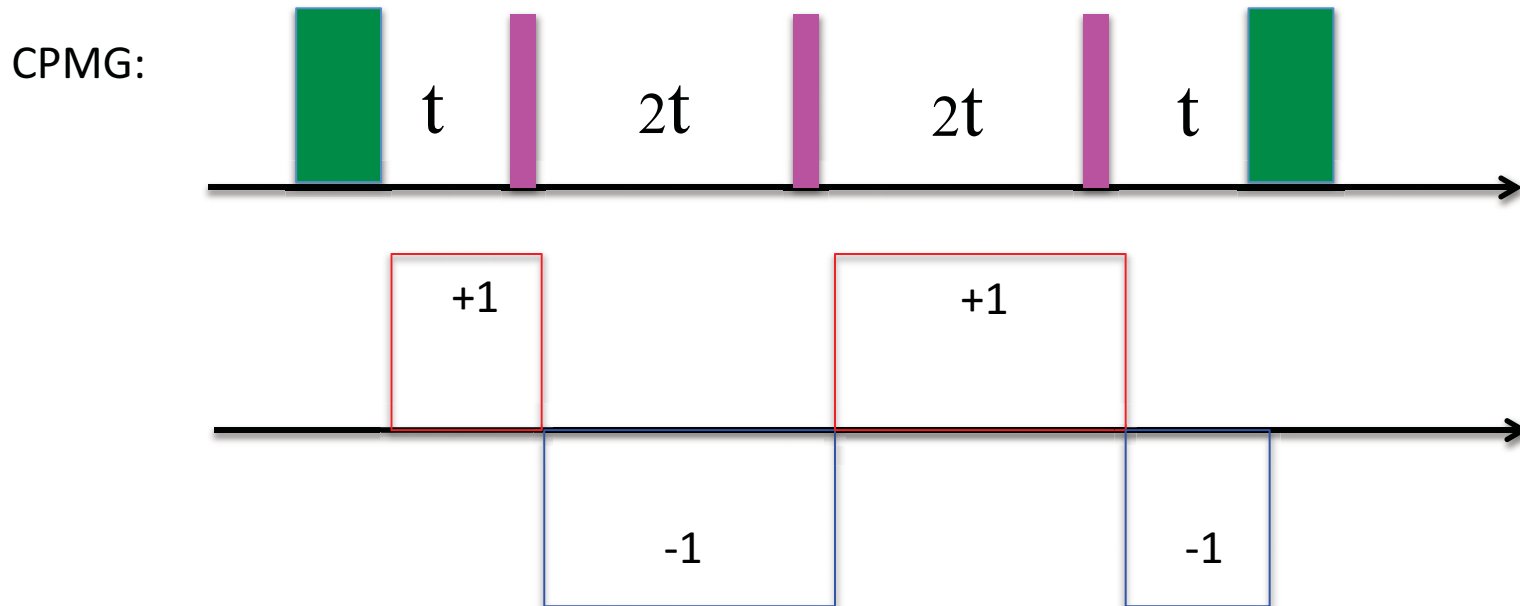


NV center as a control for external spins with continuous driving



External spin engineering: dynamical spin polarization

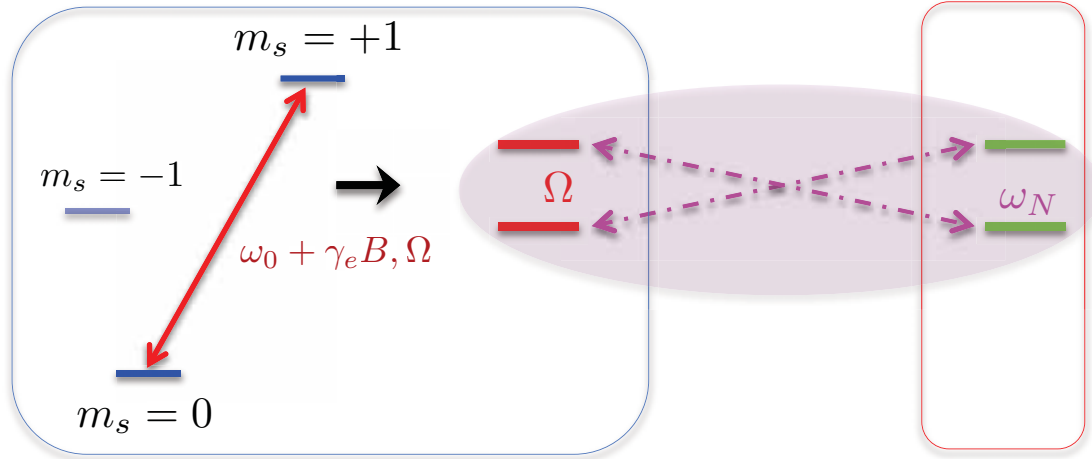
An unique feature of continuous driving as compared with pulse dynamical decoupling



NV center for dynamical nuclear spin polarization



Spin polarization exchange

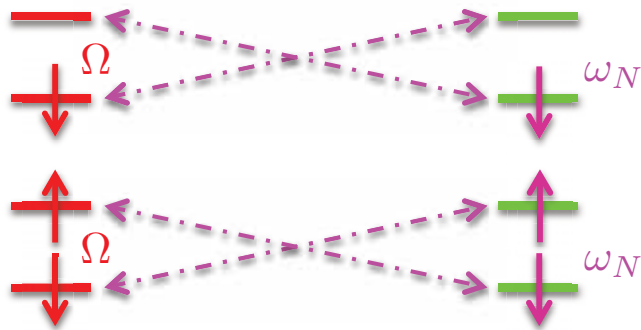
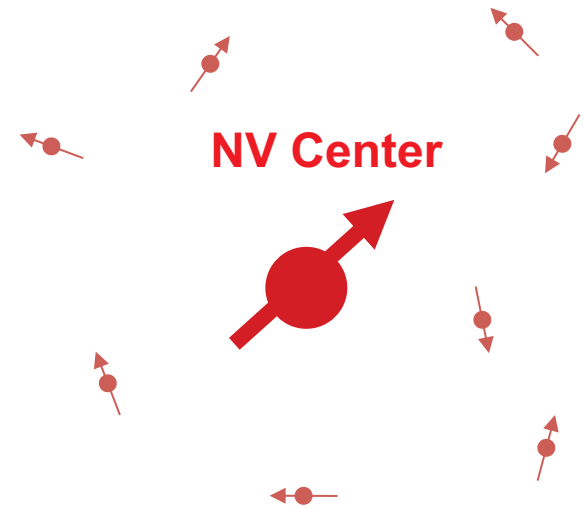
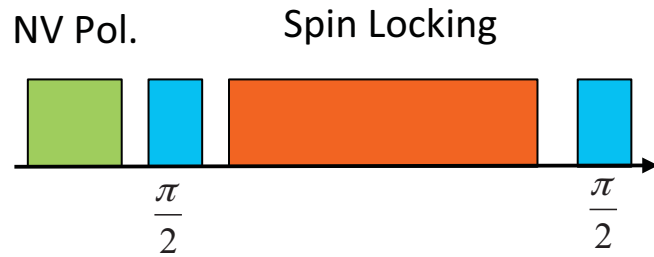


Dynamical nuclear spin polarization

NV spectrometer

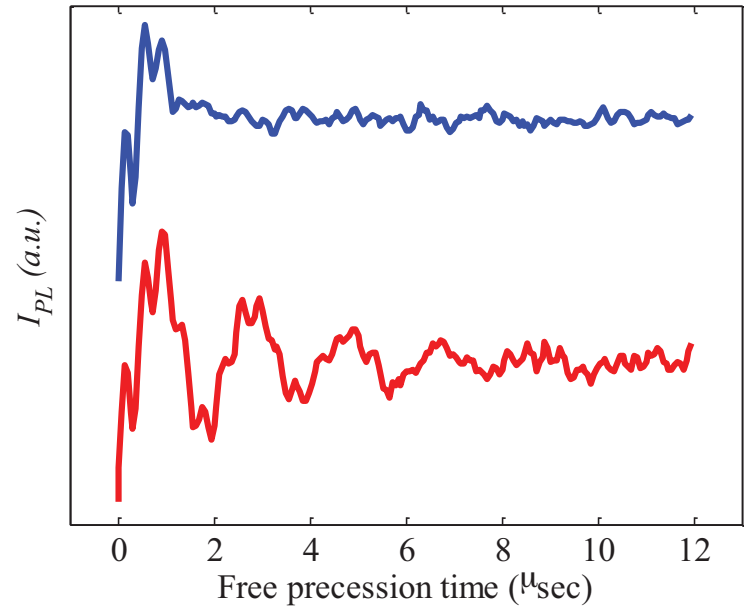
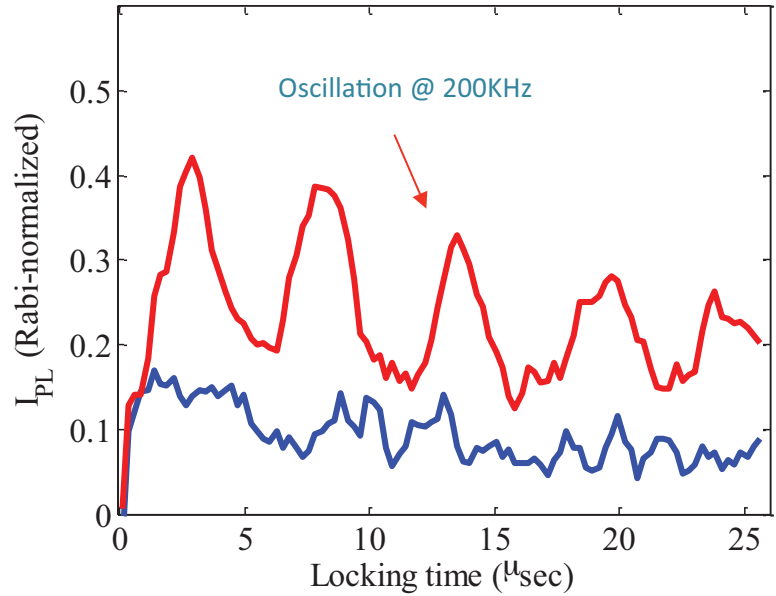
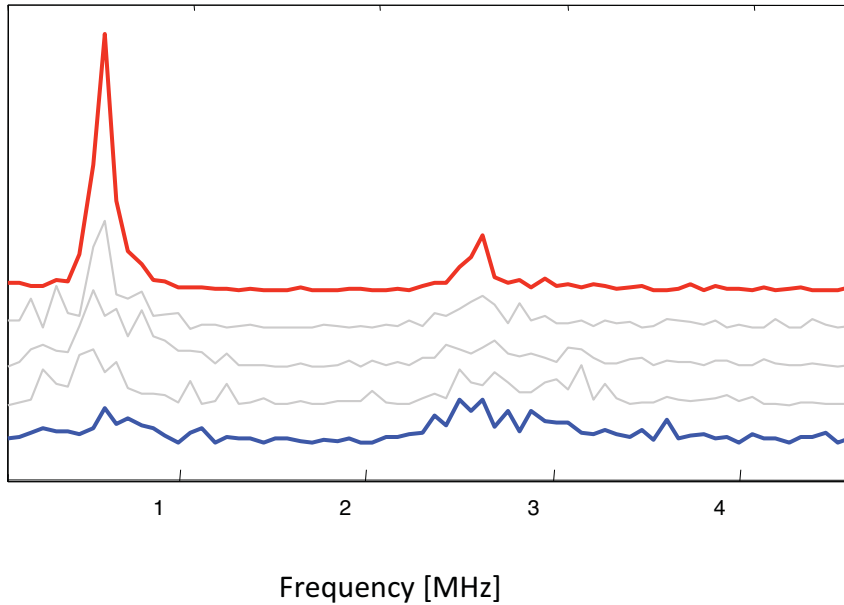
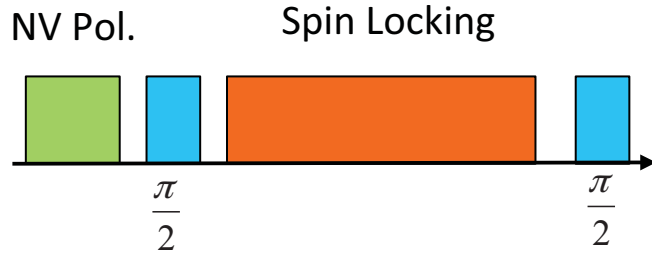
Target system

Nuclear spin bath polarization: Experiment



Nuclear spin bath polarization: Experiment

➤ $B_0 = 0.5\text{T}$ $\omega(^{13}\text{C}) = 5.8\text{ MHz}$



NV centers for engineering many-body interactions



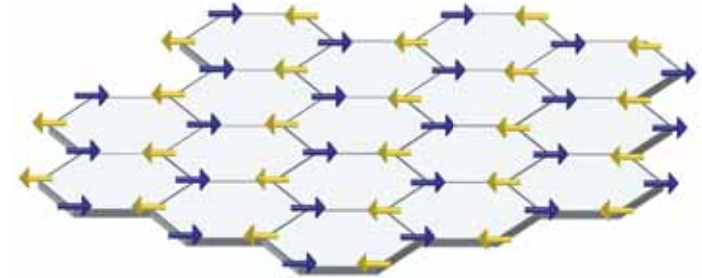
Quantum simulation

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🔑 Quantum superposition and entanglement

$$|\psi\rangle = c_1 |\uparrow\uparrow\cdots\uparrow\uparrow\rangle + c_2 |\uparrow\uparrow\cdots\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + \cdots + \cdots c_N |\downarrow\downarrow\cdots\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$$

😞 $N=2^{300}$ for 300 spins



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Simulating Physics with Computers

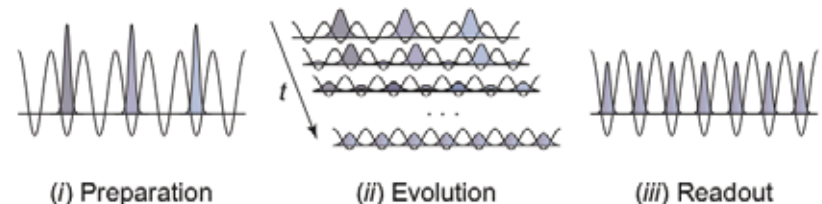
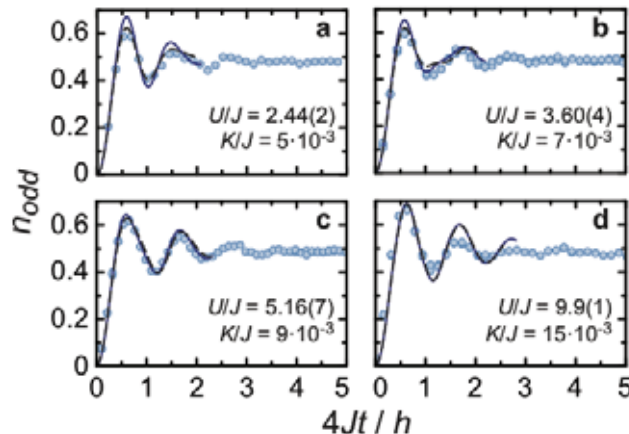
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be understood very well in analyzing the situation. And I'm not happy with all the analyses that go with just the classical theory, because nature isn't classical, dammit, and if you want to make a simulation of nature, you'd better make it quantum mechanical, and by golly it's a wonderful problem, because it doesn't look so easy. Thank you.

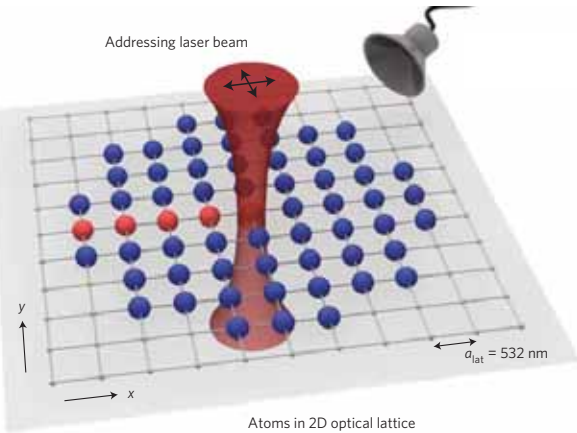
🏆 Quantum simulation beyond classical methods



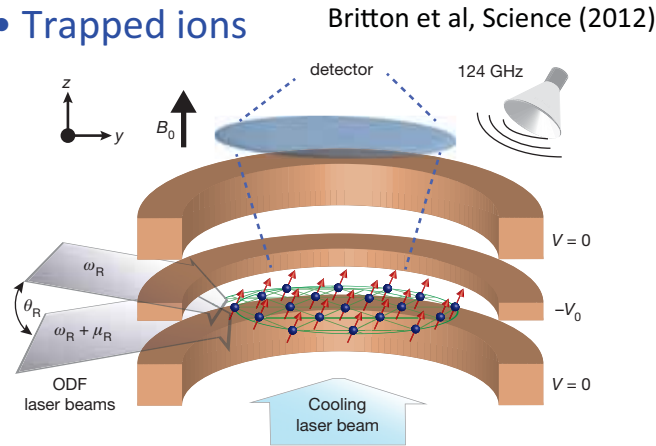
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- Optical lattice



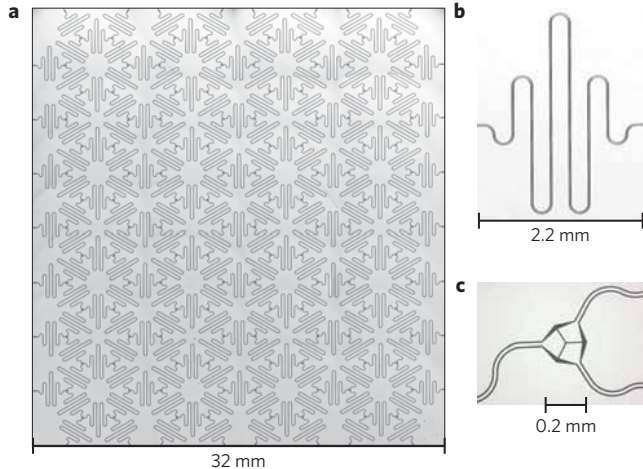
- Trapped ions



- Photonic system




- Superconducting circuit




 Initialization

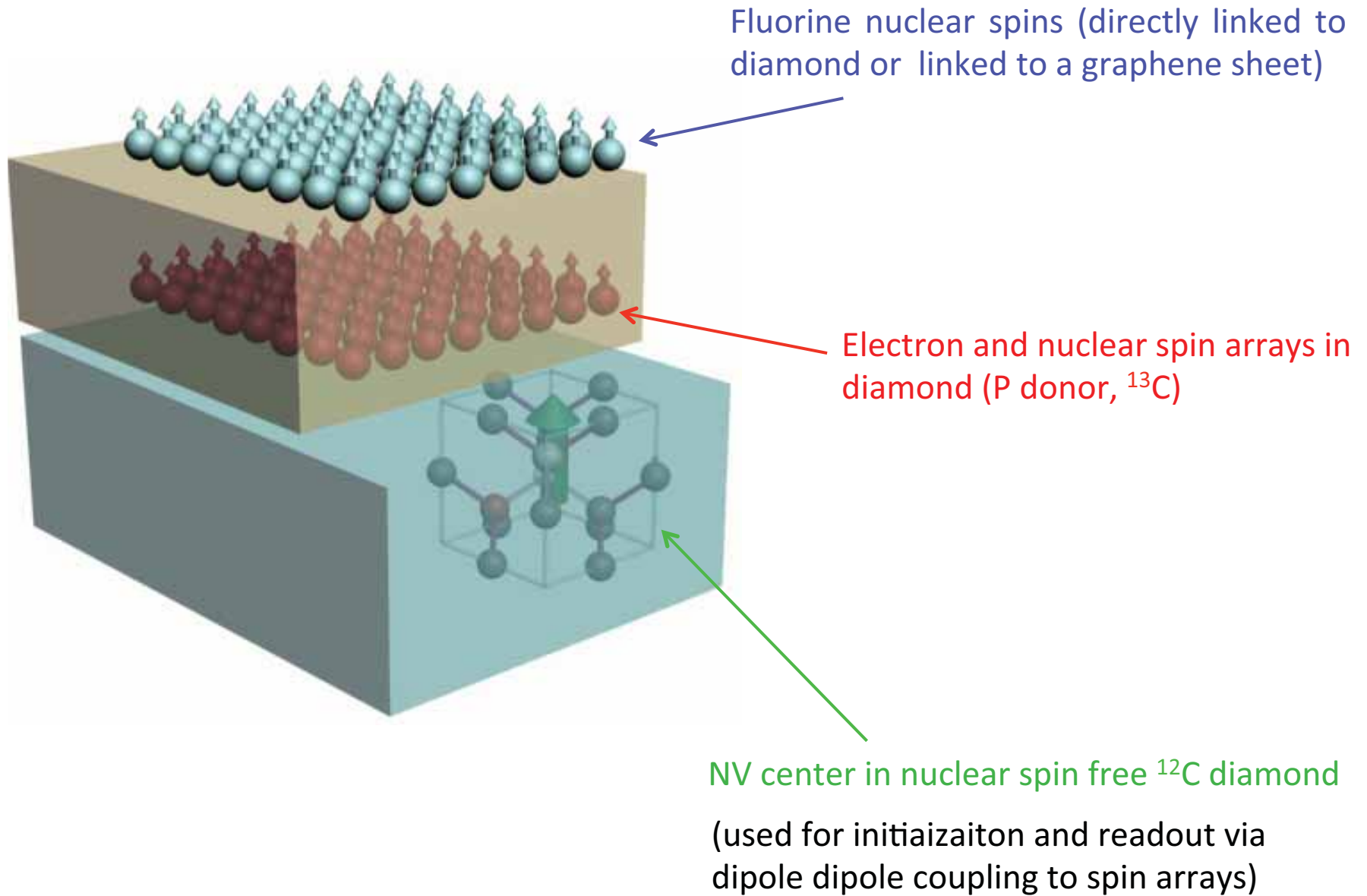
 Hamiltonian engineering

 Detection

 Low temperature and pressure

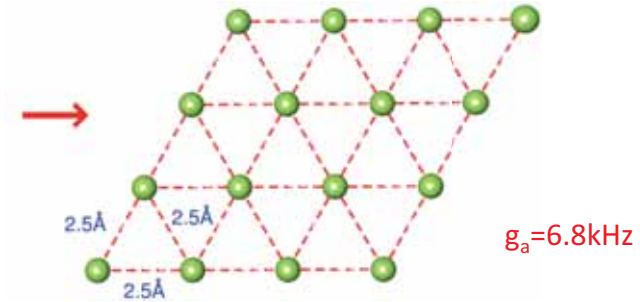
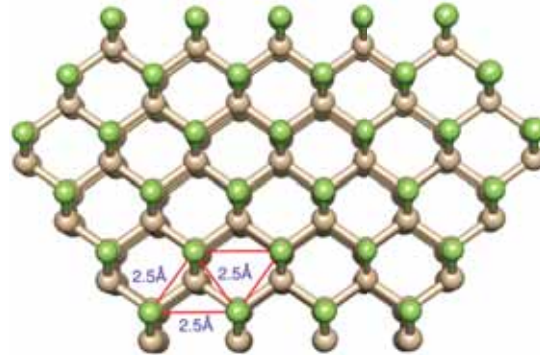
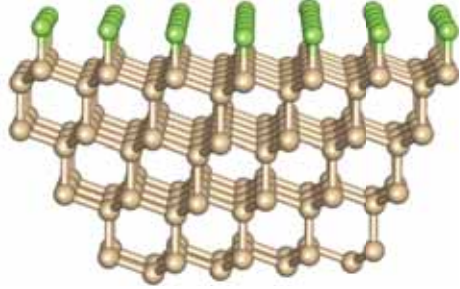
 Extremely hard to scale

Diamond-based quantum simulator: architecture

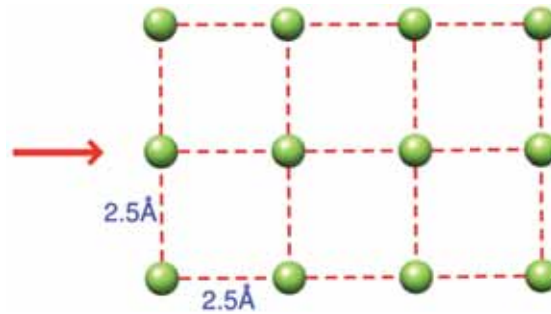
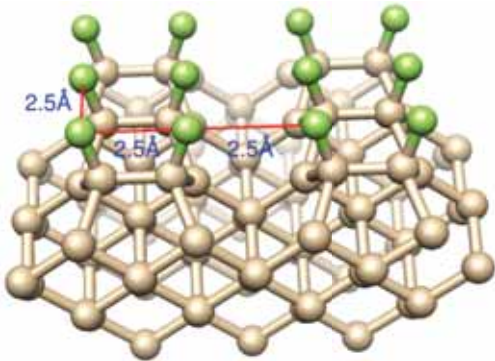


Diamond-based quantum simulator: architecture

(a) (111) surface

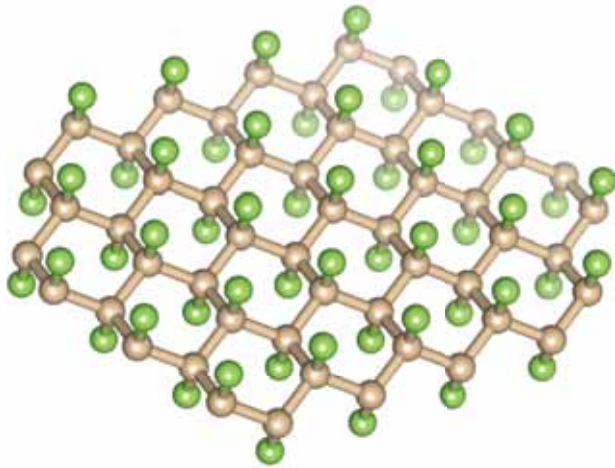


(b) (100) surface

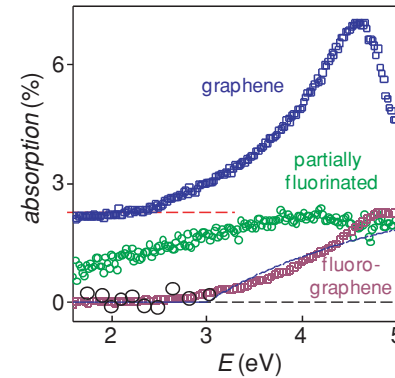


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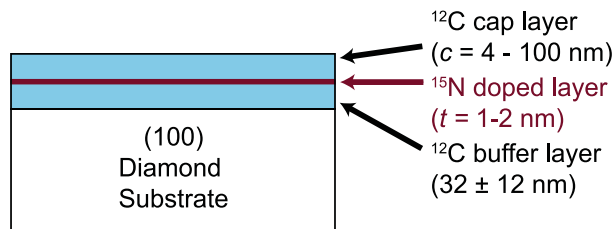
(c) Fluorographene



Novoselov and Gein, Small (2010)

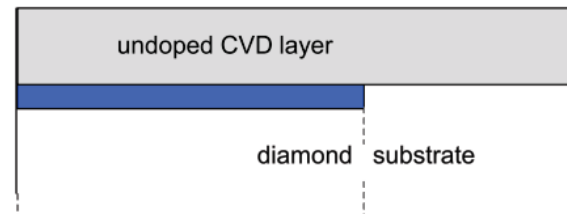


(d) Controllable growth of nuclear spin layer in diamond



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CVD-overgrowth



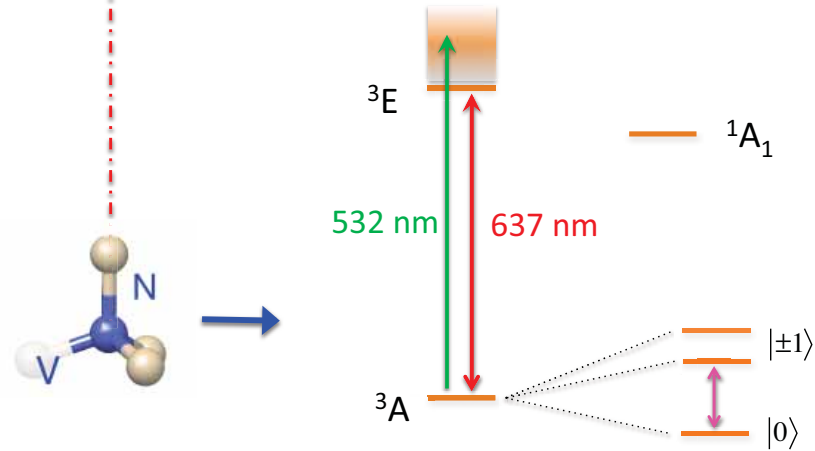
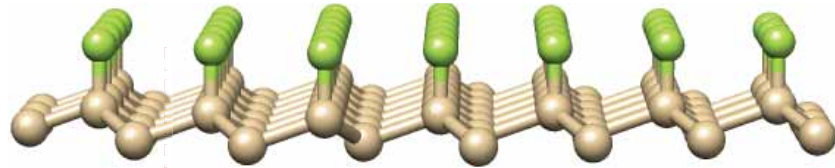
Jörg Wrachtrup (Stuttgart) 2012

Nuclear spin quantum simulator on diamond surface

$$H_F = \sum_i \gamma_N B s_i^z + \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \sum_{i,j} \frac{\gamma_N^2}{r_{ij}^3} [\mathbf{s}_i \cdot \mathbf{s}_j - 3(\mathbf{s}_i \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{ij})(\mathbf{s}_j \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{ij})] + 2\Omega_F \cos[(\gamma_N B - \omega_F)t] \sum_i s_i^x$$

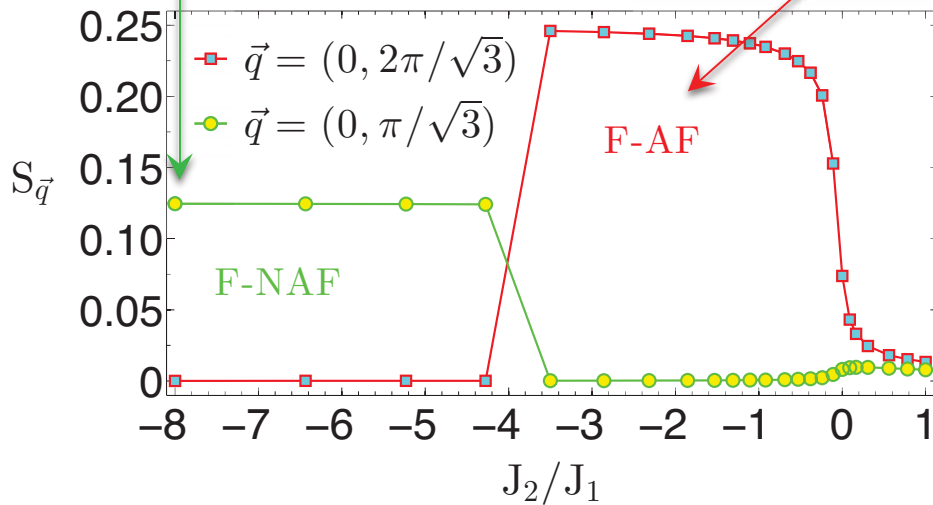
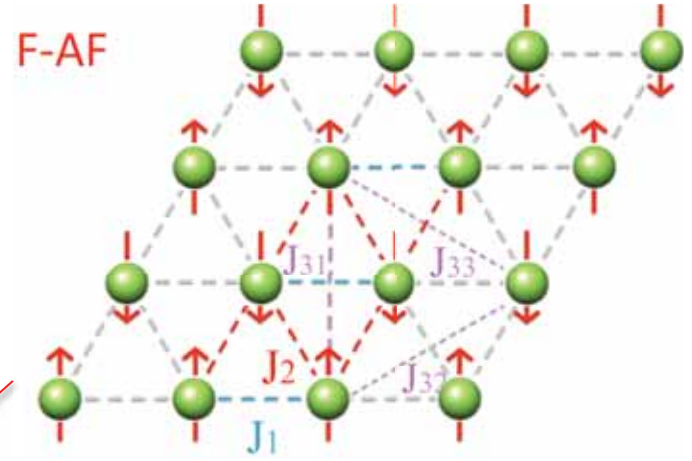
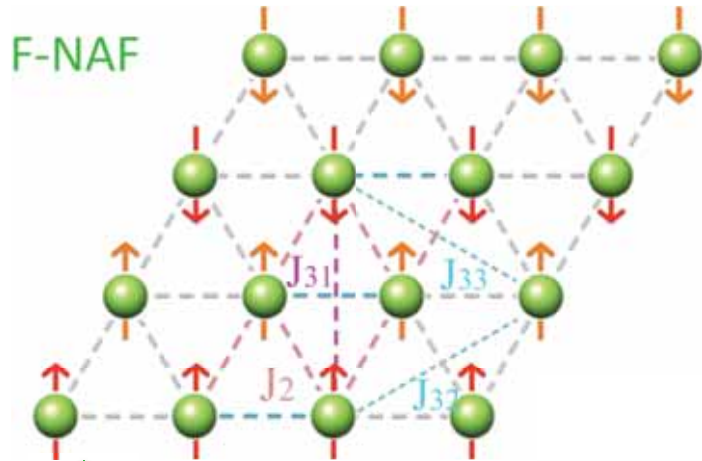
$$H_F = \sum_i (\omega_F s_i^z + \Omega_F s_i^x) + \sum_{i,j} g_{ij} [s_i^z \cdot s_j^z - \Delta(s_i^x \cdot s_j^x + s_i^y \cdot s_j^y)]$$

$$\equiv H_S + \Omega_F \sum_i s_i^x$$



$$H_{NV-F} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \sum_i \frac{\gamma_e \gamma_N}{r_i^3} [\mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{s}_i - 3(\mathbf{S} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}})(\mathbf{s}_i \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}})].$$

Nuclear spin quantum simulator on diamond surface: Frustrated Quantum Magnetism

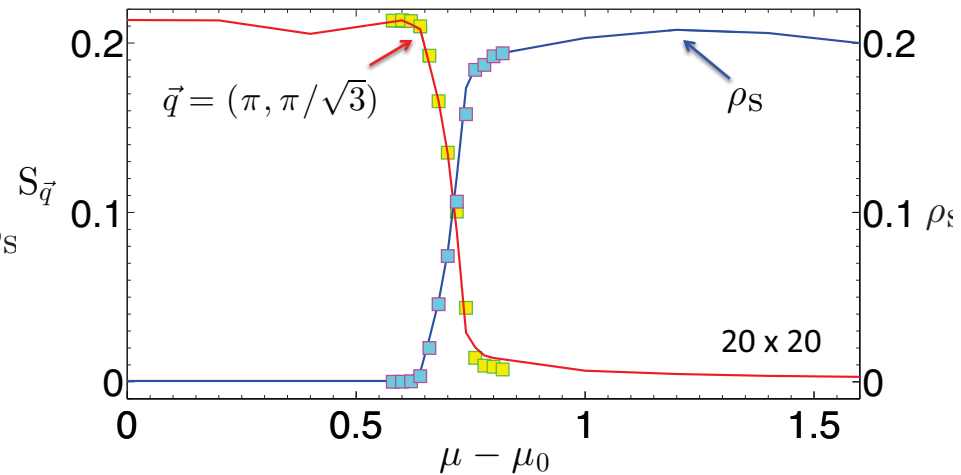
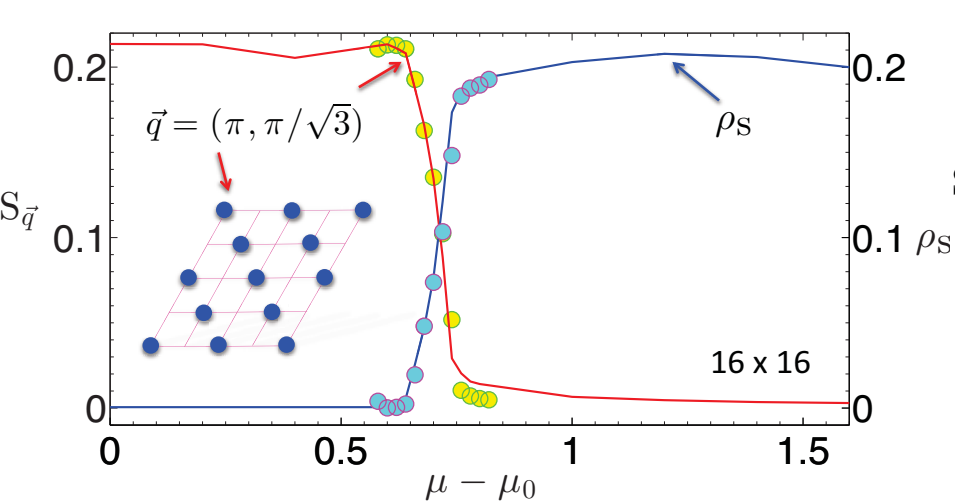
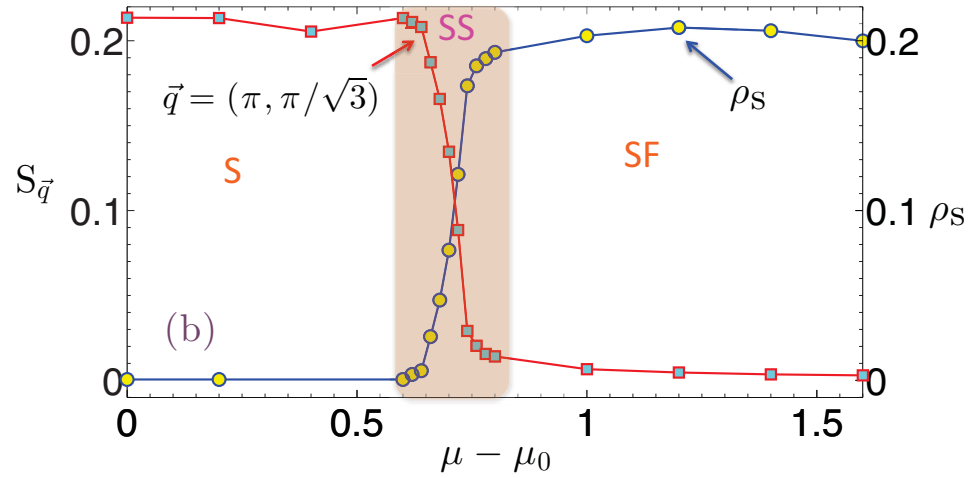
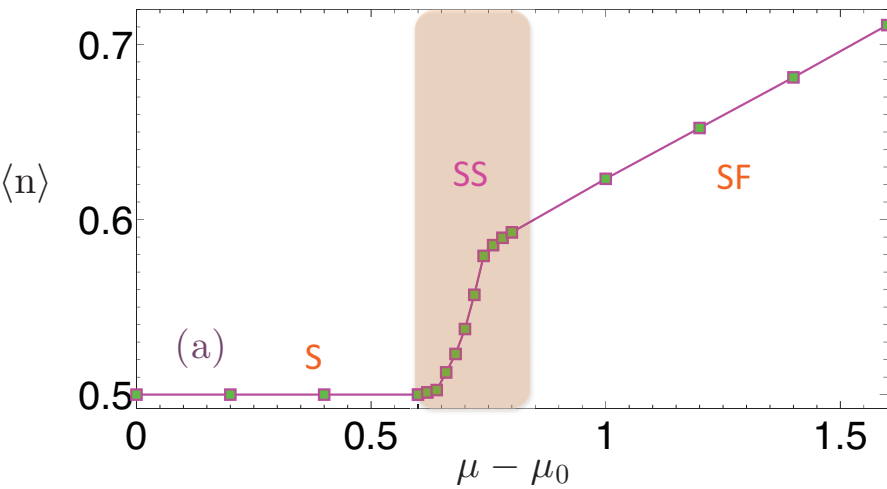


 Spin structure factor:

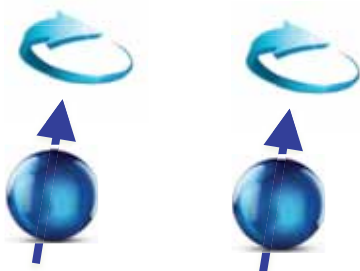
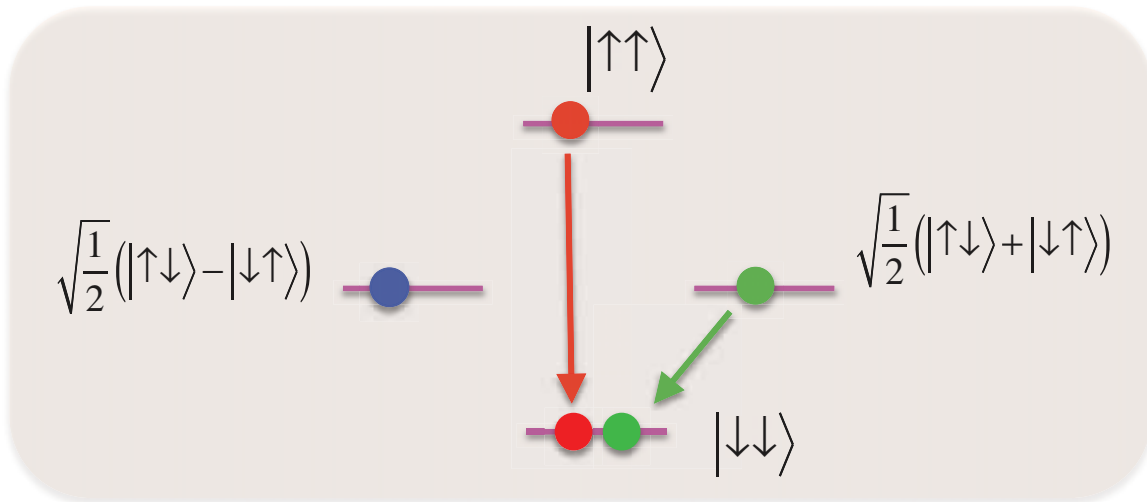
$$S_{\vec{q}} = \sum_{\langle kl \rangle} \left[e^{i\vec{q} \cdot (\vec{r}_k - \vec{r}_l)} S_k^z S_l^z \right]$$

Nuclear spin quantum simulator on diamond surface: Supersolid

Hardcore boson model:
$$H_b = \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \left(V_{ij} n_i n_j - t_{ij} (a_i^\dagger a_j + a_i a_j^\dagger) \right) + \mu \sum_i n_i$$



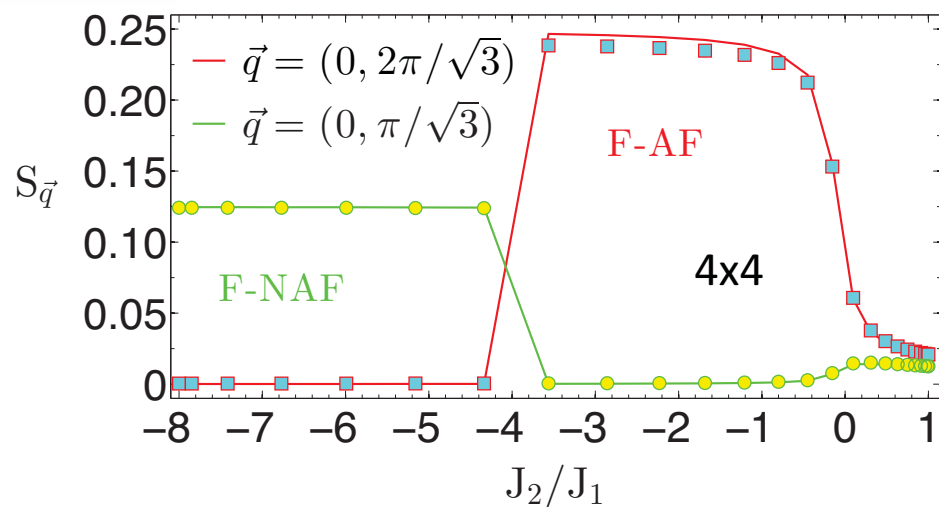
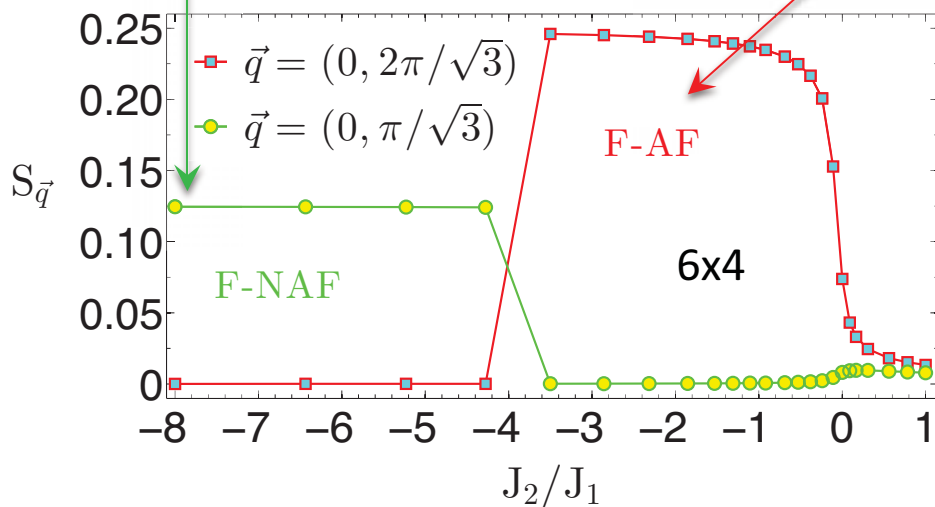
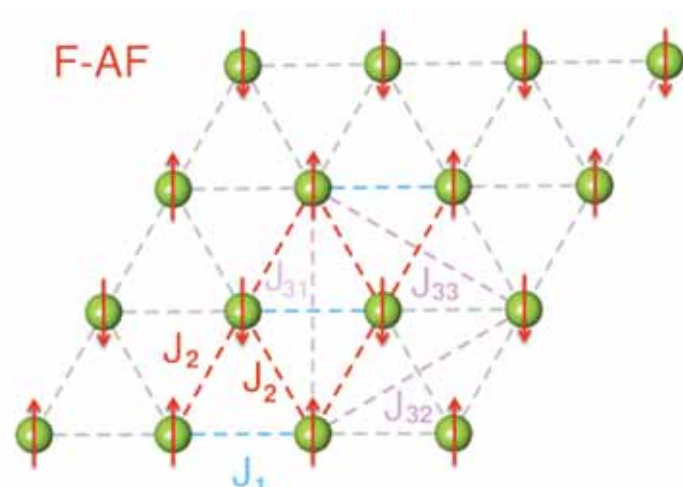
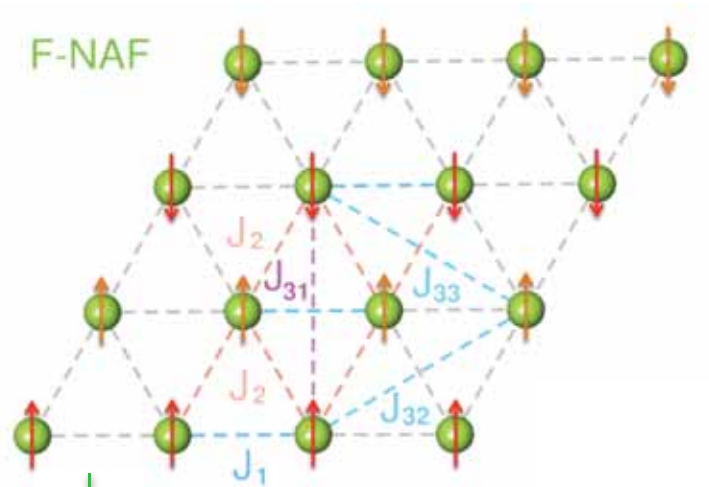
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$$P_{+}^{-} = \tau^2 \sum_i \sum_j (g_i^{\perp} g_j^{\perp}) \langle \tilde{\mathbf{s}}_i^{-} \tilde{\mathbf{s}}_j^{+} \rangle = \tau^2 \sum_i (g_i^{\perp})^2 P_i^{\tilde{\downarrow}} + \tau^2 \sum_{(i,j), i \neq j} (g_i^{\perp} g_j^{\perp}) \langle \tilde{\mathbf{s}}_i^{+} \tilde{\mathbf{s}}_j^{-} + \tilde{\mathbf{s}}_i^{-} \tilde{\mathbf{s}}_j^{+} \rangle$$

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