

Millimeter Waves and Biradicals (Why two electrons are better than one !)

Solid State NMR Winter School



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References -- a disclaimer

This is a partial list of references intended as an introduction to the field. The intent Is to provide a point of departure for the new student. It is lacking many important papers and reviews.

In the solid state NMR community, there was some DNP research in the 1980's by Wind, Yannoni and Schaefer, but by the beginning of the 1990's that had largely ceased. At that point in time, the MIT group initiated gyrotron based experiments in the millimeter wave regime. Thus, the peculiar distribution of publications.

There remains a large group of nuclear and particle physicists who are working on polarized targets using DNP. And the list of groups considering DNP for imaging experiments is expanding rapidly

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Pulsed DNP

Integrated Solid effect

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RF-DNP

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Melissa Hornstein and her 460 GHz gyrotron oscillator



Polarization of Nuclear Spins in Metals*

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FIG. 1. Oscilloscope pictures of 50-kc/sec nuclear resonance absorption vs static magnetic field. Field excursion 0.2 gauss. Top line: Li' resonance (lost in noise). Middle line: Li' resonance enhanced by electron saturation. Bottom line: Proton resonance in glycerin sample.

- Initial demonstration of the Overhauser effect -- DNP
 Nuclear Overhauser effect is *important* in solution NMR !
 - Carver and Slichter, Phys. Rev. 92, 212-213 (1953) Phys. Rev. 102, 975-980 (1956)

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Sensitivity Enhancement in NMR

Technique	Authors	Enhancement (for ¹⁵ N)
Fourier Transform NMR	Ernst and Anderson	~10-100
Polarization Transfer	Hartmann & Hahn; Pines, Gibby & Waugh: Morris &	Nobel Prize
	Freeman	Wolf Prize x 2
Indirect Detection (HSQC)	Bodenhausen and Ruben	~30
B ₀ 200 to 800 MHz	Oxford, Bruker, Magnex	8
Cryoprobes	Peter Styles	2-4
TROSY	Pervushin, et.al.	2-5
High Frequency Dynamic Nuclear Polarization	Becerra,Gerfen,Prisner, McDermott, Un,Hall,Farrar, Rosay, Weis, Bennati, Hu, Bajaj, and RG ²	Nobel Prize

Significant consequences for NMR -- savings of ~ 2500 - 160,000 in time -- NEW SCIENCE !

What are the THREE most important parameters in magnetic resonance

Signal-to-noise





Nuclear Spin Polarization Temperature and Field Dependence



• Current strategy -- increase the polarization by increasing B₀!

 Result -- "modest" increases in sensitivity and resolution ! Increases in magnet cost are non-linear !

Electron and Nuclear Polarization Temperature and Field Dependence



- Much larger spin polarization is present in the electron spin reservoir
- •Transfer the electron polarization to the nuclear spins by irradiating the electrons with *high frequency microwaves* !





- ¹H's adjacent to the Yb³⁺ are shifted away from the bulk resonance due to coupling with the electron -- strongly and weakly coupled
- T_{1e} is long (~1 s) and therefore hyperfine shifted resonances are observed at $\omega_0\pm\omega_{hf}$

Bulk ¹H resonance \Rightarrow DNP Hyperfine shifted \Rightarrow ENDOR





Sample Preparation



- 4 amino-TEMPO is soluble in water and stable
- Cryoprotection is critical to minimize inhomogeneous broadening
- Polarization diffuses throughout the macromolecule





- **Distance** between the two TEMPO radicals in TOTAPOL yields an e⁻-e⁻ coupling of ~25 MHz
- Electron concentration ~ 10 mM !
- Enhancements build up over ~40 seconds to a maximum of 290 ± 30 !

Joo, Hu, Bryant and Griffin (2006)

DNP Enhanced ¹⁵N MAS Spectra of U-¹³C,¹⁵N-bR



• DNP enhancements permit observation of high S/N in short acquisition periods

 bR is a membrane protein MW~32 kD (protein +lipid)

 Schiff base ¹⁵N well resolved from the other ¹⁵N signals

Bajaj, Mak, Belenky, Herzfeld (2008)





- CW irradiation with 250 GHz microwaves (stability <1%)
- Select the Schiff base ¹⁵N resonance with a Gaussian
- Transfer to the ¹³C with SPECIFIC CP and RFDR

Assignment of N ζ -C15-Cx and N ζ -C ϵ -Cx

 SPECIFIC-CP transfer from Schiff base ¹⁵N to the

- Lys-216 sidechain ¹³C's
- retinal polyene chain ¹³C's

 DNP enhancement of single ¹³C's in a uniformly labeled membrane protein in short (< 1 hour) periods of time.

⁵N Chemica

(2007)

160

175

170 180





- Bacteriorhodopsin is a heterogeneous protein.
- Low temperatures quench dynamics

Bajaj, Mak, Herzfeld, Griffin (2007)

Bacteriorhodopsin Trimer



• Are the three members of the trimer equivalent ?

Sheves et al Biochem 42, 11281(2003) suggest they are not !

• ¹³C-¹⁵N spectra of bR₅₅₅ indicates that the trimer is heterogeneous !



- Iso-K intermediate observed with non-linear sampling

 decays over a period of hours
- K-shifted upfield from bR₅₆₈

Heterogeneity in L - the predischarge state



- Four L different L cross peaks are observed
- L distribution similar whether produced from K or by 640 nm (red) illumination of LA

Proton Transfer Pathways in bR





Requirements for High Field DNP Experiments

- Low Temperature Multiple Resonance NMR Probes *Typically four frequencies --1H, 13C, 15N and electrons -- performing MAS at < 90 K*
- Millimeter wave microwave sources 10-100 watts in the 100-600 GHz regime -- gyrotrons (cyclotron resonance masers)
- Polarizing agents that are widely applicable and stable TEMPO (nitroxides), Biradicals, metal ions



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High Frequency DNP Spectrometer

Three basic components

- Microwave source Gyrotron oscillator
- Transmission line Corrugated waveguide
- NMR probe w/ waveguide Schaefer/McKay transmission line probe



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Quasi-optical directional coupler

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High Frequency Microwave Sources for Dynamic Nuclear Polarization

- Gyrotrons provide 10-100 watts of CW power (100 hours of operation)
- Continuously frequency coverage in the 100-1000 GHz range
- Long lifetimes -- no slow wave structures
- EIO/EIA's and diodes all have disadvantages for DNP -- short lifetimes and low output power
- Terahertz lasers are not tunable and the CW output power is low



250/460 GHz Gyrotron

- Superconducting magnet provides the external magnetic field
- Electron gun emits electrons
- High voltage accelerates the electrons through the magnetic field
- µwaves are generated in the cavity region and brought out through the cross bore


250/460 GHz Gyrotron

A: Electron emission from an annular ring

B: Bunching in the cavity and emission of microwaves

C: Quasi optic coupling of the microwaves out to the sample. Electrons continue to the collector.

D: Electrons are collected in the collector



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Hornstein, Kreischer, Temkin, et al (2004)

460 GHz Gyrotron Operation



Melissa Hornstein and her 460 GHz gyrotron oscillator 8 watts CW power



- Time stability -- several hours of CW operation
- Record high powers -- < 8 watts @ 460 GHz

Power Dependence of Thermal Mixing DNP



- Enhancements of 10-30 can be achieved with a low power Gunn or Impatt diode at these temperatures -- 30 to 100 mW.
- Larger enhancements and faster rates of polarization build up can be observed with a gyrotron source source -- 10-100 watts.

Thermal Mixing/Cross Effect DNP

High frequency (140 GHz) dynamic nuclear polarization: Polarization transfer to a solute in frozen aqueous solution

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- DNP in aqueous media biological samples
- Three spin mechanism applicable at high fields



• Smaller volume decreases S/N by ~200-300 !

Corrugated Waveguide







- •Very low insertion loss (0.01dB/m)
- Cryogenic Operation
- Excellent mode and polarization characteristics

Quadruple Resonance DNP/MAS Probe w/ Optical Irradiation of the Sample





- Quadruple resonance -- ¹H, ¹³C, ¹⁵N, and e⁻
- Routine low temperature spinning at 85-90 K, $\omega_r/2\pi \sim 10 \text{ kHz}$
- Optical irradiation (532 nm) of samples to generate photochemical intermediates
 Vik Bajaj, Jeff Bryant

Cambridge Instruments **DNP Cryogenic MAS Probe**

Challenges for cryogenic sample exchange:

- Magic angle adjustment
- Limited space LT dewar
- Seals at low temperature
- Physical restrictions under the magnet
- Prevent damage to rotor

Optic fiber





140 GHz Amplifier - Pulsed DNP & EPR

 Provides phase shifted pulses @ 140 GHz for

pulsed DNP and EPR

- The gyrotron approach can be applied to higher frequencies such as 250 GHz and 460 GHz.
- The physics challenges are:
 - High gain
 - High efficiency
 - Wide bandwidth
 - Short pulse operation
 - Low electron beam voltage and current
 - Novel overmoded circuit.



Sketch of experimental tube in magnet.

140 GHz Gyro-Amplifier for Pulsed DNP



 140 GHz
 Gyroamplifier and
 MIT Grad
 Student
 Colin Joye

• First operation Feb., 2007

•Currently generating 400 watts



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CW Dynamic Nuclear Polarization Mechanisms

<u>Overhauser Effect (OE)</u> -- applicable to systems with mobile electrons -- i.e., metals, liquids, 1D conductors (*discussed later wrt liquid state DNP*)

Solid Effect (SE) -- insulating solids (organic, biological systems) when

$\delta \sim \Delta << \omega$

 $\delta{=}homogeneous$ linewidth of the EPR spectrum $\Delta{=}breadth$ of the EPR spectrum $\omega{=}nuclear$ Larmor frequency (¹H, ¹³C, ¹⁵N)

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Cross Effect (CE) -- insulating solids, but

$\Delta > \omega > \delta$

CE -- operative at high fields where $\Delta g >> \delta$, the line is *inhomogeneously* broadened.

Time Domain DNP Mechanisms

Pulsed DNP -- in progress [Weis and Griffin, SSNMR **29** 105-117 (2006)] mostly at 9 GHz (0.3 T).

Integrated Solid Effect -- Wenckebach (CPL, 1988) π -- CW on the electrons

NOVEL -- Wenckebach (CPL, 1988) rotating frame / lab frame $\omega_{1e}=\omega_0$

RF DNP -- Wind and Co. (AMR, 1985)

High frequency microwave amplifiers are just becoming available.

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Paramagnetic Centers for DNP





DNP with Gyrotrons

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 $(\gamma_e/\gamma_n) \sim 660$

Dynamic Nuclear Polarization with a Cyclotron Resonance Maser at 5 T

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DNP (dynamic nuclear polarization) experiments at 5 T are reported, in which a cyclotron resonance maser (gyrotron) is utilized as a 20 W, 140 GHz microwave source to perform the polarization. MAS (magic angle spinning) NMR spectroscopy with DNP has been performed on samples of polystyrene doped with the free radical BDPA (α, γ -bisdiphenylene- β -phenylallyl) at room temperature. Maximal DNP enhancements of ~10 for ¹H and ~40 for ¹³C are observed and are considerably larger than expected. The DNP and spin relaxation mechanisms that lead to these enhancements at 5 T are discussed.









 Small g-anisotropy yields a solid effect enhancement mechanism

Solid Effect with Trityl Radical

• Soluble in aqueous media



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Paramagnetic Centers for DNP





- Note *different* field profiles for the solid and cross effects
- Smaller enhancements ($\sim \pm 15$) obtained with the solid effect
- Larger enhancements (~± 45) observed with the cross effect and monomeric TEMPO





Thermal Mixing/ Cross Effect DNP

- NO• EPR spectrum is ~600 MHz wide
- Thermal mixing and the cross effect are ...

three spin process

involving the irradiation of a dipolar coupled electron spin system

• Flip two electrons and then a nuclear spin.

C.F. Hwang and D.A. Hill, PRL18, 110-112 (1967)





DNP Enhanced ¹³C-MAS Spectra U-¹³C,¹⁵N-Proline



Rosay, Weis, Kreischer, Temkin and Griffin JACS (2002)

• $\omega_r/2\pi = = 4.6$ kHz, RD = 4.8, 32 shots, 1 watt of 140 GHz at the top of the probe

 Significant enhancements are possible at LN₂ temperatures where MAS is relatively straightforward





DNP Enhanced ¹³C-MAS Spectra U-¹³C,¹⁵N-Proline



Rosay, Weis, Kreischer, Temkin and Griffin JACS (2002)

• $\omega_r/2\pi = = 4.6 \text{ kHz}, \text{ RD} = 4.8, 32 \text{ shots}, 1 \text{ watt of } 140 \text{ GHz}$

 Significant enhancements are possible at LN₂ temperatures where MAS is straightforward







CW Dynamic Nuclear Polarization Mechanisms

Thermal Mixing (TM) -- insulating solids, but

$\delta, \Delta >> \omega$

TM -- dominates when the g anisotropy is small, and/or the EPR line is <u>homogeneously</u> broadened, and ω is small

Cross Effect (CE) -- insulating solids, but

$\Delta > \omega > \delta$

CE -- operative at high fields where $\Delta g >> \delta$, the line is *inhomogeneously* broadened.



Biradical Polarizing Agents





- Biradical consists of two stable radicals (TEMPO) tethered together by a linker (ethylene glycol).
- Used extensively in the 70's for the study of dynamics with EPR.
- Currently employed in pulsed EPR investigations of distances in a variety of systems.



- Relative g-tensor orientations permitted to vary.
- R_{e-e} determined by regression.
- Distance in 40 mM TEMPO ~35 Å

• Decreasing R_{e-e} increases e⁻-e⁻ dipole coupling & ¹H enhancement $45 \Rightarrow 175$!





 Optimal enhancements of ± 175 are observed with biradicals -- BT2E at a factor of four lower electron concentration !

Solid and Cross Effect DNP



- Smallest enhancements (~± 15) obtained with the solid effect
- Optimal enhancements of ± 175 are observed with biradicals
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- **Distance** between the two TEMPO radicals in TOTAPOL yields an e⁻-e⁻ coupling of ~25 MHz
- Electron concentration ~ 10 mM !
- Enhancements build up over ~40 seconds to a maximum of 290 ± 30 !

Joo, Hu, Bryant and Griffin (2006)



Thermal Mixing/ Cross Effect DNP

- Can we improve on the enhancements obtained with monomeric TEMPO ?
- Thermal mixing and the cross effect are three spin processes involving the irradiation of a coupled electron spin system
 flip two electrons and then a nuclear spin.
- TM and the CE are inherently inefficient since only a fraction of the spins in a powder have the *correct distance and relative orientations* to contribute to DNP !

$$\omega_{2e} - \omega_{1e} = \omega_{n}$$

C.F. Hwang and D.A. Hill, PRL18, 110-112 (1967)





Qualitative Thermal Mixing/Cross Effect DNP *g-tensor Orientations*

• Correct relative orientations of the TEMPO molecules are required to yield *two lines* separated by

 ω_{2e} - ω_{1e} = ω_{n}

efficient thermal mixing/cross effect polarization transfer

• Simulations suggest that the TEMPO molecules in BTnE's are oriented at approximately 90° with respect to one another

• g-tensor orientations yield two lines separated by ~ $\omega_n/2\pi$?





 Enhancements build up over ~15 seconds and the maximum appears to be ~ 175 !

Paramagnetic Centers for DNP





Solid Effect with Trityl Radical

• Soluble in aqueous media



Paramagnetic Centers for DNP







DNP Enhancement at 250 GHz ¹³C-Urea/Glycerol/D₂0



• Cross Effect DNP enhancement scales as ω_0^{-1}

DNP Enhancements from Biradicals



Rigid biradicals are constrained in unfavorable conformations -- EPR frequency separation !

BTOXA yields the smallest ε -30!

Coaxial g-tensors !

 An optimal ¹H ε requires a strong e⁻ - e⁻ dipolar coupling.
 BTurea has shorter R_{e-e}, but no

greater ɛ ?

Incorrect tensor orientation ?

•A flexible tether is important. BT2E yields the largest ε -175!!

Short distance and correct g-tensor orientation !



- Rigidity of the tether of TOTAPOL improves DNP performance.
- Narrower distribution of e⁻ e⁻ distance, but no constraint of relative g-tensor orientation

Biradical Models from EPR Analyses







BTurea RMSD(rings) = 0.03 Å





TOTAPOL RMSD(rings) = 2.15 Å

RMSD(rings) = 2.82 Å

A longer tether reduces constraints on relative g-tensor orientation.

Rigid *bis*-TEMPO (**Tordo/ Prisner**) Biradical ¹³C-Urea/DMSO/D₂0/H₂O



115,600 in time

- Preliminary result -- errors large !
- € ~ 340/660 → 51% efficient !



DNP in Trityl-TEMPO Mixtures Approximation to an "Ideal Polarizing Agent"



- Notice that $g_{22}(TEMPO)$ - $g(trityl) \approx 80 \text{ G} = 224 \text{ MHz}$!
- Demonstrates the importance of satisfying ω_{1e} - $\omega_{2e} \sim \omega_n$!

Hu, Bajaj, Rosay, Griffin, J. Chem. Phys. (2007)

Labelling Scheme GNNQQNY₇₋₁₃

GNNQQNY GNNQQNY

Solid phase peptide synthesis

> Two segmentally, overlapping U-¹³C,¹⁵N labeled peptides

GNNQQNY₍₇₋₁₃₎ from Sup35 (Yeast Prion)



Crystal width ~ 280 Å

Nanocrystals



X-ray structure Eisenberg et al (2005)

- Minimal unit to form prion-like fibrils
- Forms nanocrystals as well with a cross- β type structure !
- Is it possible to polarize nanocrystalline samples ?



• Structure of monoclinic nanocrystals of GNNQQNY -- R. Nelson et al. (2005) Nature, **435**: 773

Biradical and the GNNQQNY Lattice



 Biradical is larger that the water pore (~7Å) in the GNNQQNY lattice



- Both the ¹³C and ¹⁵N spectra are enhanced by factors of ~120!
- (U-¹³C,¹⁵N)-GNNQqny in 60% glycerol/H₂O, $\omega_r/2\pi$ = 4.10 kHz,T=90 K

140 GHz ¹³C and ¹⁵N DNP/MAS Spectra GNNQqny Nanocrystals

- Biradical polarizing agent
 TOTAPOL -- employed
 in the experiment
- TOTAPOL is probably too bulky to penetrate the nanocrystals
- Solvent polarization likely diffuses from the surface to the interior of the nanocrystals
- Polarization builds up with $\sim T_1$ of the crystals



T₁ Values for GNNQQNY



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• Solvent polarization likely diffuses from the surface to the interior of the nanocrystals

 Polarization builds up with ~T₁of the crystals

DNP in GNNQQNY Nanocrystals



van der Wel, at al JACS 2006



Steady state and boundary conditions:

$$\frac{1}{a} \int_{-w/2}^{w/2} P(x) dx = \frac{2\sqrt{DT_{1n}}}{w} \varepsilon_0 P_0 \tanh(\frac{w}{2\sqrt{DT_{1n}}})$$
$$\varepsilon = \varepsilon_0 \frac{2\sqrt{DT_{1n}}}{w} \tanh\left(\frac{w}{2\sqrt{DT_{1n}}}\right)$$

2D DNP Enhanced ¹³C and MAS Spectra GNNQqny Nanocrystals



• Enhanced Polarization diffuses from the solvent into the crystals

• 2D spectral acquisition is accelerated -- ~20 minutes

 One of the initial examples of the multi-D spectra enhanced with DNP



Outline

- Background and Rationale DNP, EPR, Signal to Noise and bR
- Instrumentation for DNP Quadruple Resonance, LT MAS Probes Gyrotron Microwave Sources
- DNP Enhanced MAS Spectra DNP Enhancements of 50-60 in MAS Spectra @ 90 K DNP functions quite effectively in broad class of systems
- Polarizing Agents and DNP Mechanisms Biradical polarizing agents $\Rightarrow \varepsilon = 170-340$ Solid effect and cross effect DNP mechanisms

• DNP in Solution (and for Metabolomics) Solid state polarization and laser T-jump $\epsilon^{\dagger} = \epsilon (T_{obs}/T_{polar}) = 130-330$ for ¹³C



Cross-Relaxation in Liquids



•Dipolar relaxation is not useful for electron-nuclear polarization transfer -- no spectral density.

•Scalar relaxation (with transient complex) is effective for producing DNP enhancements

Loening, Rosay, Weis and Griffin (2002)

TJ-DNP (in brief)

Principle:

Efficient transfer of DNP polarization from solid state to liquid state



Laser heating: Ferguson, Krawietz, Haw, J. Magn. Reson. Ser. A (1994) Ferguson, Haw, Anal. Chem. (1995)

DNP enhancement in the solid state

2M ¹³C urea, DMSO/water 5.35mM biradical 90 K, $\omega_r/2\pi = 8$ kHz

$$\epsilon_{\rm H}^{}\text{=}290\pm30$$



TJ-DNP Experimental scheme



TJ-DNP Melting Probe



- Polarization is performed at 140 GHz and 90 K with slow rotation -- 300-800 Hz
- Melting is achieved with a 10 watt CO₂ laser



Effect of deuteration: Glucose-²H₇





²H labeling of the glucose molecule attenuates losses due to relaxation !

¹³C₆,²H₇ glucose/water 8/2 10 mM biradical



Hype your polarization - multiply by the Boltzmann factor !

TJ-DNP: Recycling

TJ-DNP experiment can be recycled every 60-120s.





Applications: Signal averaging and multidimensional NMR
2D spectrum: Glucose-²H₇



Thank you for your attention!