

NMR at Cryogenic Temperatures

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Typically liquid helium temperatures but including

T < 100K

• Quantum Tunnelling Dynamics

• Exploitation of magnetic field dependence

'Novel' polarisation transfer effects

NMR Relaxometry



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Proton transfer in the hydrogen bond: incoherent tunnelling



Proton transfer in the hydrogen bond: the quantum-to-classical transition



²H Isotope Effect





Heteronuclear Interactions: polarisation transfer etc

Tetrafluoroterephthalic acid



Heteronuclear spin system: cross-relaxation



Off-diagonal:

$$\sigma \propto \left(-L(\omega_I - \omega_S) + 6L(\omega_I + \omega_S)\right)$$



Cross-relaxation: ¹⁹F - ¹H



vs. frequency





 $L(\omega_I - \omega_S)$

В

$$\sigma \propto \left(-L(\omega_I - \omega_S) + 6L(\omega_I + \omega_S)\right)$$



 $\Rightarrow \quad \tau_c^{-1} = (2.66 \pm 0.08) \times 10^6 \, s^{-1}$











Level-crossing NMR



Methyl Tunnel resonance in Toluene/DPPH



Quadrupolar nuclei



Quadrupole dips: ¹⁴N



Quadrupole dips: 170



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DRLC: 14N in heroin hydrochloride monohydrate



Quadrupole dips: heroin hydrochloride monohydrate



DRLC vs. Quadrupole dips:



Tunnelling, the Pauli Exclusion Principle: and the entanglement of space and spin

Spin-symmetry species:



Methyl Tunnelling: Sodium Acetate



Methyl Tunnelling: Haupt Effect



Haupt magnetic double resonance M. Tomaselli,* C. Degen, and B. H. Meier Physical Chemistry, ETH-Zürich, CH-8093 Zürich, Switzerland



J. Chem. Phys., 118, (2003) 8559-8562 Tomaselli, Degen, and Meier

Tunnel resonance : (Cu,Zn) acetate dihydrate (Xtl)



Spin-symmetry species: Pauli Exclusion Principle





Dynamic Nuclear Polarisation



The Tunnel Reservoir



Tunnel Resonance Lineshapes



Tunnel Resonance Mechanism

Distribution of Tunnelling Frequencies:



Tunnel Resonance Mechanism



spatial and spectral diffusion of tunnelling energy



resulting in dynamic nuclear polarisation of ¹H

Dynamic Nuclear Polarisation











Concluding remarks

- Molecular Dynamics influences the low temperature nuclear relaxation
- · Combining magnetic field dependence with low temperature enables one

to explore and exploit a wide variety of magnetic resonance behaviour

- Thermal reservoirs and the Pauli Exclusion Principle
- Facilitates investigation of both the quantised states and the transfer
- of energy between thermally isolated reservoirs

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