

## **principles**

### **NMR 3. Isotopes**







 $ΔE$  does not depend on *I!* 

Nevertheless **NMR is nucleus selective** because of the gyromagnetic ratio !

### **NMR 4. Sensitivity and Magnetic field**



So the sensitivity increases with  $B_0$  !!!

#### **5. Sensitivity and Macroscopic magnetizationNMR principles** Needs of intense  $B_0$  magnetic fields to increase the sensitivity Superconducting magnet  $v_0 = \gamma B_0 / 2\pi$ **Helium ports Helium tower**  $\gamma(^1\text{H}) = 26.7519.10^7 \text{ rad T}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ Nitrogen ports Nitrogen tower  $v_0$ <sup>(1</sup>H) (MHz)  $\mathbf{B}_0$  (T) Insert sample here Metal plug **7 300**  Vacuum Chamber **14 600** He  $\frac{B}{C}$ **~ 5 m** N **BRUKKI 21 900** 1000 He N **23.5 1000 Magnet** *B0* Earth's magnetic field =  $5.10^{-6}$  T **Insert Probe here** At the right center of the coil  $\mathsf{B}_{0}$  is  $\overline{a}$

static, vertical and homogeneous

**Sensitivity** : value relative to the proton considering 100% natural abundance.

$$
S = (\gamma_X / \gamma_{1H})^3 \frac{(I_X + 1)I_X}{(I_{1H} + 1)I_{1H}}
$$

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\begin{aligned}\n&\text{Example} \\
^1\text{H}: I=1/2, \ \gamma = 26,7519.10^7 \text{ rad } T^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} \rightarrow S = 1 \\
^3\text{H}: I=1/2, \ \gamma = 28.535.10^7 \text{ rad } T^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} \rightarrow S = 1.21 \\
^{19}\text{F}: I=1/2, \ \gamma = 25.181.10^7 \text{ rad } T^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} \rightarrow S = 0.83\n\end{aligned}
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^{31}\text{P}: I=1/2, \ \gamma = 10,841.10^7 \text{ rad } T^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} \rightarrow S = 0.066
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^{13}\text{C}: I=1/2, \ \gamma = 6,7283.10^7 \text{ rad } T^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} \rightarrow S = 0.016
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^{29}\text{Si}: I=1/2, \ \gamma = -5.3188.10^7 \text{ rad } T^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} \rightarrow S = 7,86.10^{-3}
$$

#### **The proton is the most NMR sensitive nucleus**

Sensitivity decreases quickly as soon as  $\gamma$  decreases because of  $(1/\gamma)^3$ 

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# **NMR 5. Receptivity**

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D = (\gamma_X / \gamma_{1H})^3 \frac{(ab.nat.)_X (l_X + 1)l_X}{(ab.nat.)_{1H} (l_{1H} + 1)l_{1H}}
$$

Takes into account the natural abundance !

spins 1/2  $1H: 100\% \text{ NA} \rightarrow \text{D} = 1$ 

 $3H:0\%$  NA  $\rightarrow$  D = 0

 $19F : 100\%$  NA  $\rightarrow$  D = 0,834

 $31P: 100\% \text{ NA} \rightarrow \text{D} = 0.0665$ 

 $13C : 1.1\%$  NA  $\rightarrow$  D = 1.76.10<sup>-4</sup>

 $29\text{Si}$ : 4.7% NA  $\rightarrow$  D = 3.69.10<sup>-4</sup>  $57$ Fe : 2,2% NA $(y = 0.87.10^7 \text{ rad T}^{-1})^{-1}$   $\rightarrow$  D = 7,43.10<sup>-7</sup> ... *Difficult…* **Low y nucleus** 

Quadrupolar spins  $27$ Al : I = 5/2; 100% NA  $\rightarrow$  D = 0.207

 $17$ **O** : **I** = 5/2; 0,037% NA  $\rightarrow$  D = 1,08.10<sup>-5</sup>

 $43$ Ca : I = 7/2; 0,145% NA  $\rightarrow$  D = 8,67.10<sup>-6</sup>

*Difficult…*





N : number of spins

**Problem** :  $M_0$  is hidden in the static magnetic field  $B_0$  (~10<sup>-6</sup> of  $B_0$ )

**Impossible to measure directly !!!**

**How to measure it ???**



Interaction of two magnetic moments. What happens to the magnetization  $\bar{\mathsf{M}}_0$  in the presence of a static magnetic field  $\overline{\mathsf{B}_0}$  ?

From the theorem of angular momentum, we know that there is a **time dependence**  as follow :





#### **At the thermodynamic equilibrium, B and M are collinear to the z axis**



### **NMR 7. Concept of precession**

Out of the thermodynamic equilibrium :  $\overrightarrow{M}$  is tilted from  $\overrightarrow{B}$  by an angle  $\alpha$ 

Then the initial conditions are

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$$
Mx(0) = 0
$$
  
 
$$
My(0) = M_0 \sin \alpha
$$
  
 
$$
Mz(0) = M_0 \cos \alpha
$$

If we solve the differential equations



The movement equations describe a **rotation of M** in the (xy) plane at the **angular rate**  $\omega_0 = \gamma B_0$ The associated angular frequency is then  $v_0 = \gamma B_0 / 2\pi$ i.e. the **Larmor frequency !** 

## **NMR 7. Concept of precession**

### Goal of the NMR experiment : put  $\overrightarrow{M}$  out of the equilibrium

### **Best efficiency if**  $\alpha = 90^{\circ}$



If we apply a **strong B<sup>1</sup> radio-frequency field** perpendicular to B<sub>0</sub> along the x axis then we induce a **rotation of M around the x axis**

The frequency of the B $_1$  field must be  $v_1$  =  $v_0$  (Larmor **frequency)**

If  $\alpha$  = 90° it is called a "90° pulse" or " $\pi$  pulse"

The time to reach the (xy) plane is called  $t_{90}$ <sup>o</sup>

Usually,  $t_{90°}$  = from 1 to 10 µs

The movement equations are becoming :

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Mz(t) = M_0 \cos \alpha\LeftrightarrowMx(t) = M_0 \sin(\gamma B_0 t)My(t) = M_0 cos(yB<sub>0</sub>t)
                                                                      Mz(t) = 0
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## **NMR 7. Concept of precession**

If we switch off  $\overline{\mathbf{B}_1}$ ,  $\overline{\mathbf{M}}$  start rotating in the (xy) plane at the  $\mathbf{v_0}$  frequency (Larmor **frequency).**

The macroscopic magnetization M is now measurable !

**The variation of M inside a coil gives rise to an oscillating electric field !**



**Beware** : the coil generating  $B_1$  is different from the one generating  $B_0$ 

The coil generating  $\mathsf{B}_1$  is the same as the coil allowing the recording of the NMR signal.