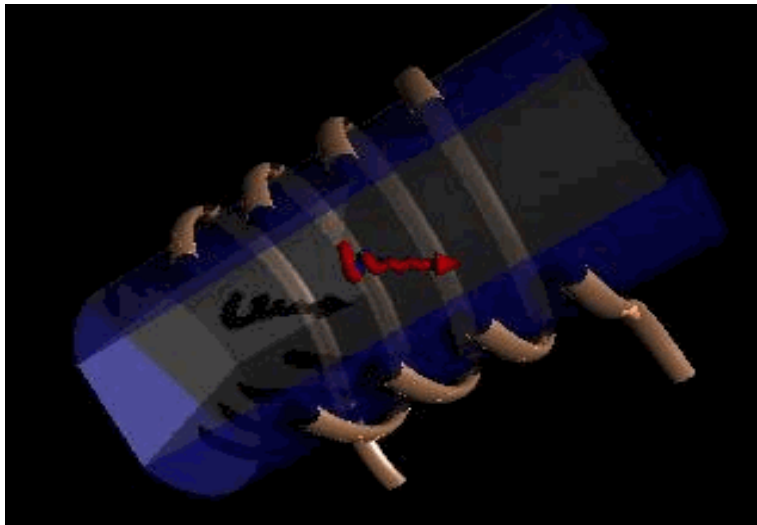
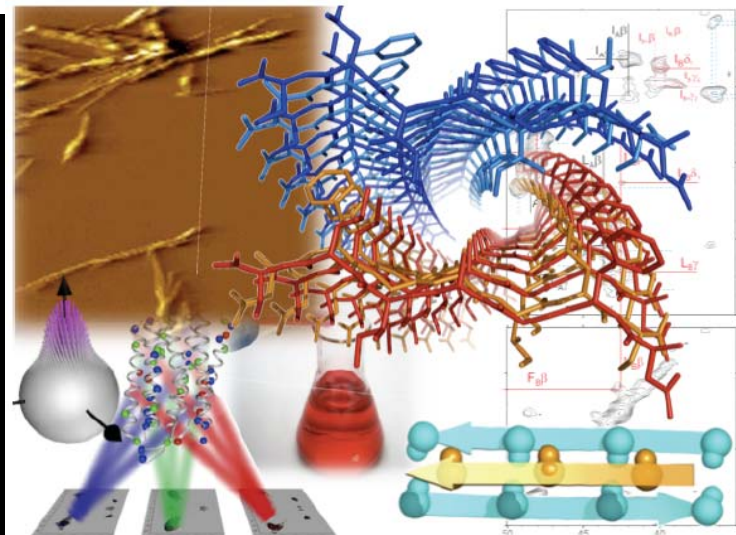


# Optimal Control in Solid-State NMR



*Control*



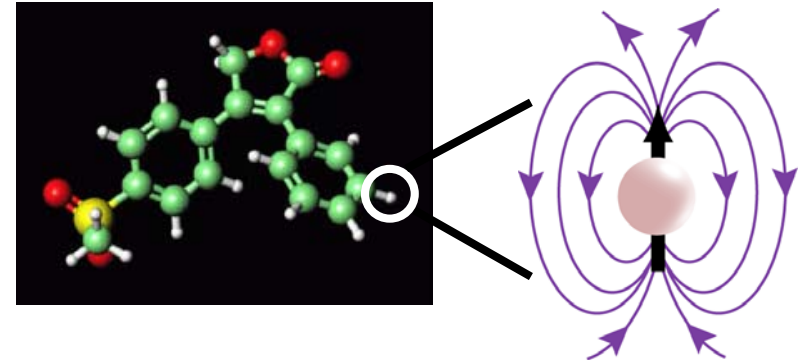
*Quantum System*

Kavli Institute for Theoretical Physics, UCSB, Santa Barbara, May 21, 2009

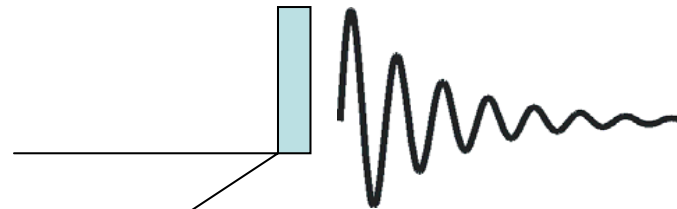
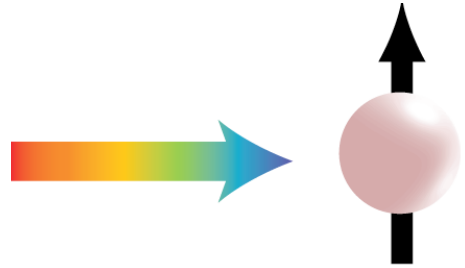
# Outline:

- Brief introduction to the solid-state NMR spectroscopy
- Optimal control in solid-state NMR
- New solid-state NMR experiments, low-field NMR, DNP, and MRI

# NMR spectroscopy: Uses magnetic fields and rf irradiation to manipulate nuclear spins



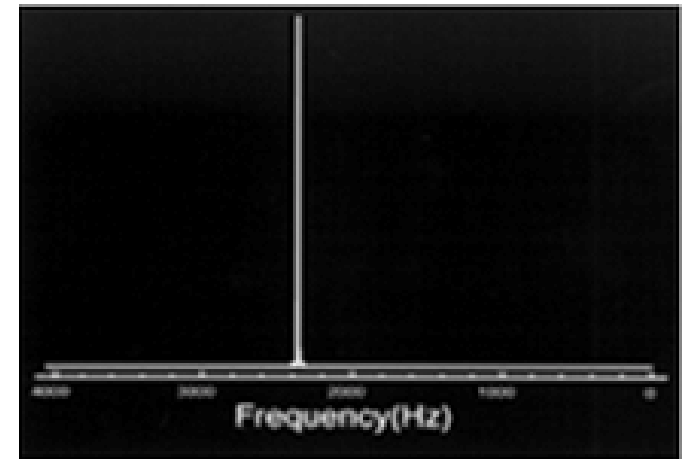
Polarization by  $B_0$   
Rf irradiation



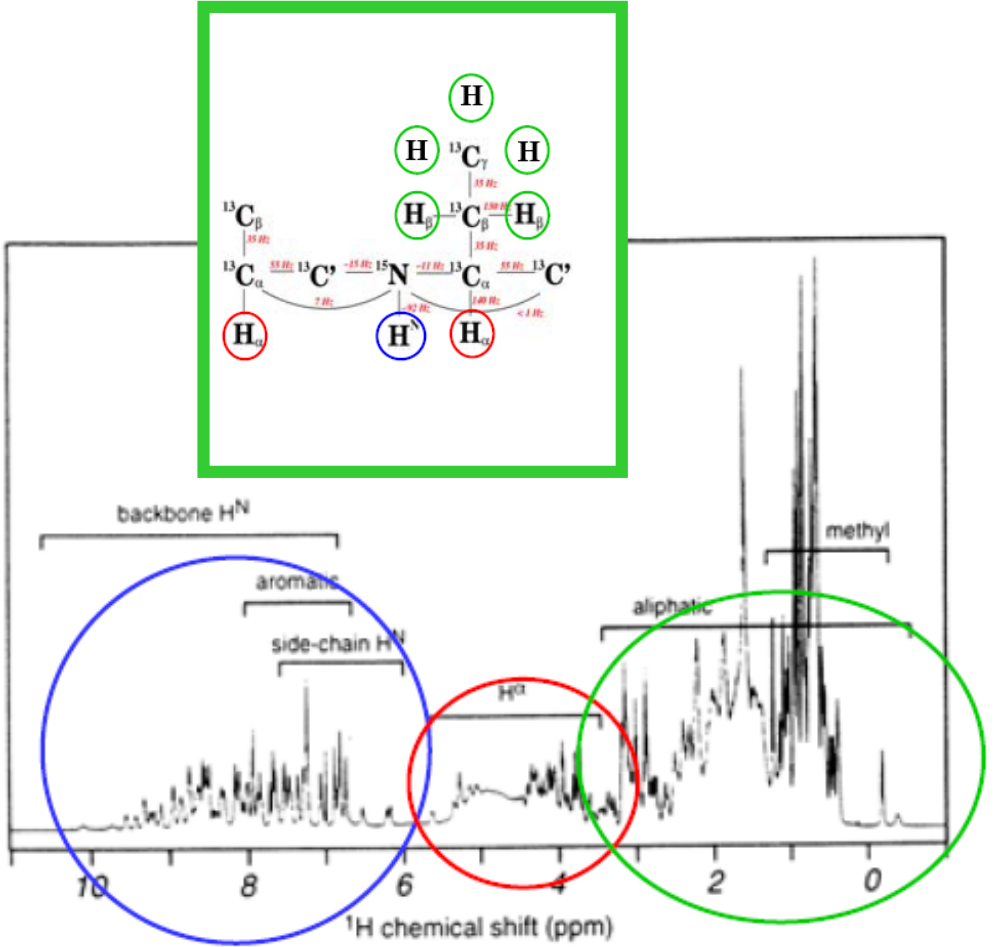
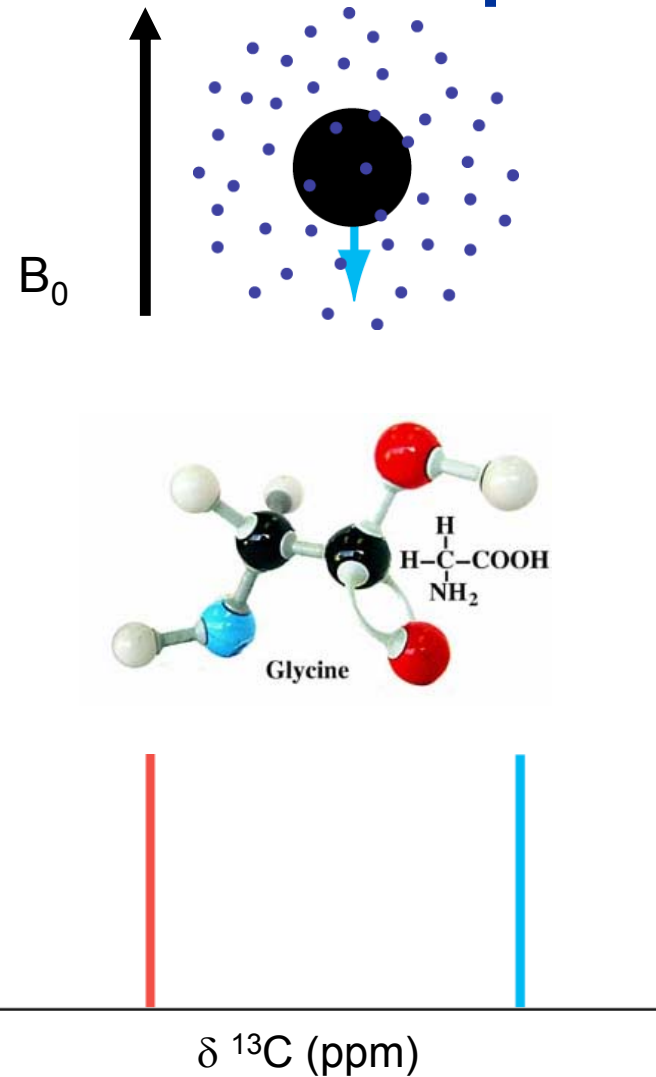
RF Pulse



Response



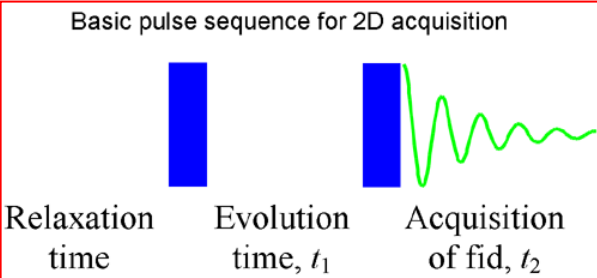
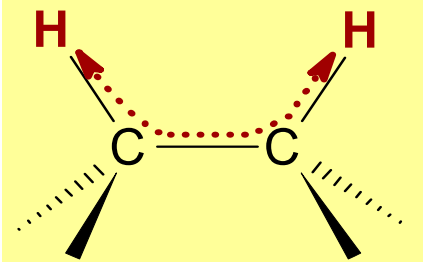
# Chemical Shift – the resonance frequency depends on the electronic surrounding



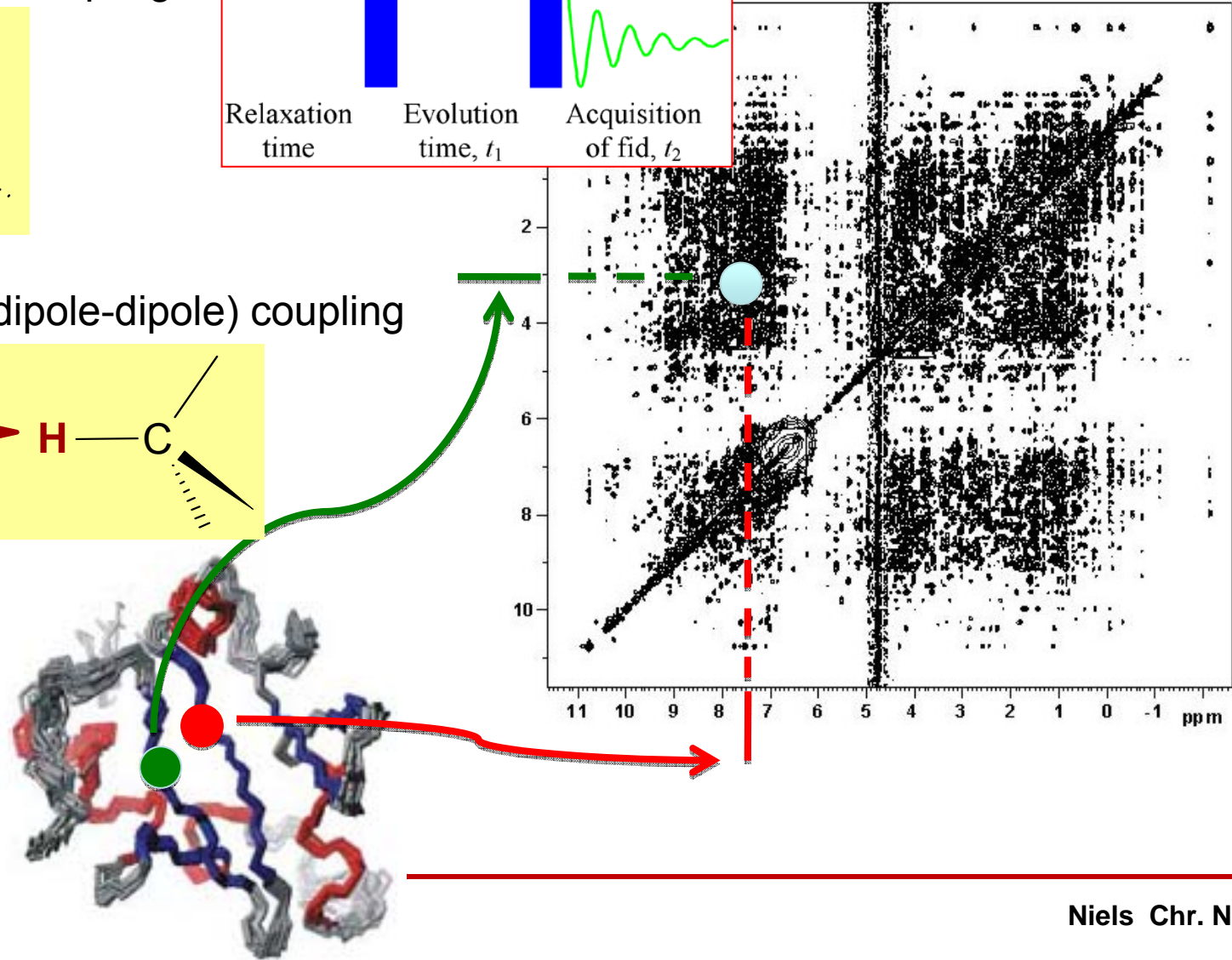
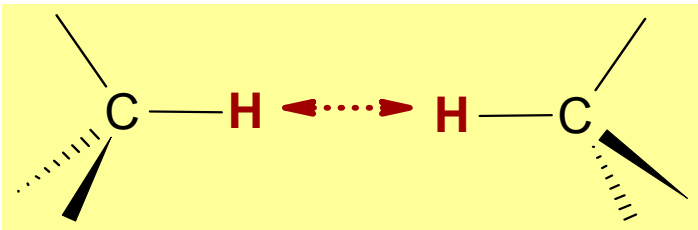
Very crowded for big molecules

# Scalar couplings and dipolar cross-relaxation allows for communication between spins: 2D NMR

Through-bond (J) coupling

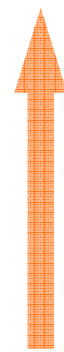


Through-space (dipole-dipole) coupling



# Controls in liquid-state NMR spectroscopy

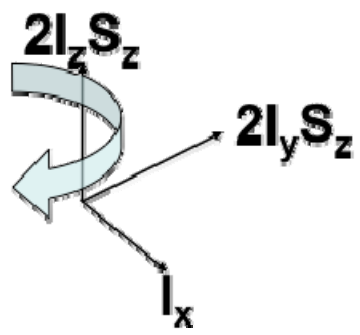
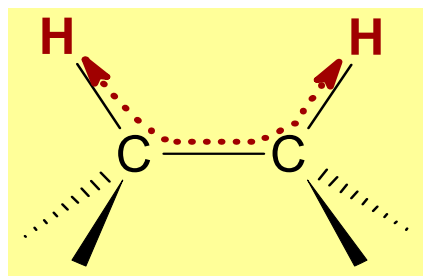
STATIC FIELD  
CHEMICAL SHIFT  $B_0$



$$H = \omega_0 I_z$$

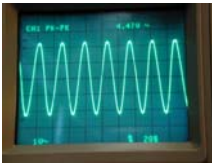
$$H_\sigma = \omega_\sigma I_z$$

## J COUPLING



Generates two-spin operators, which may be used to drive coherence/polarization transfer between coupled spins

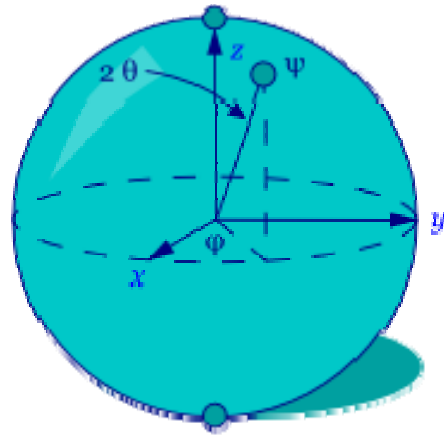
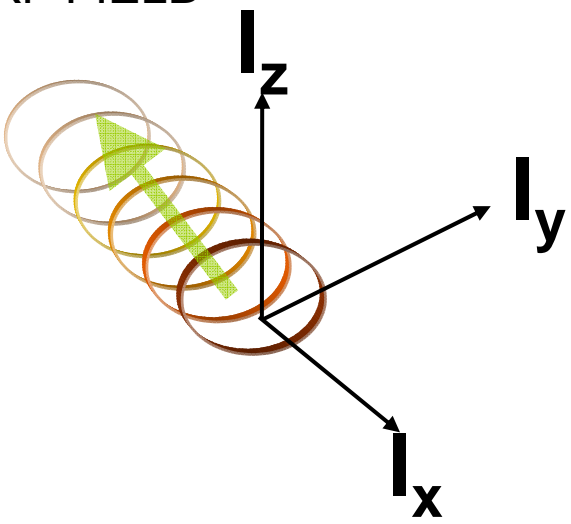
RF FIELD



$$H = 2\omega_{rf} \cos(\omega_c t) I_x$$

Rotating frame:

$$H = \omega_{rf} I_x$$

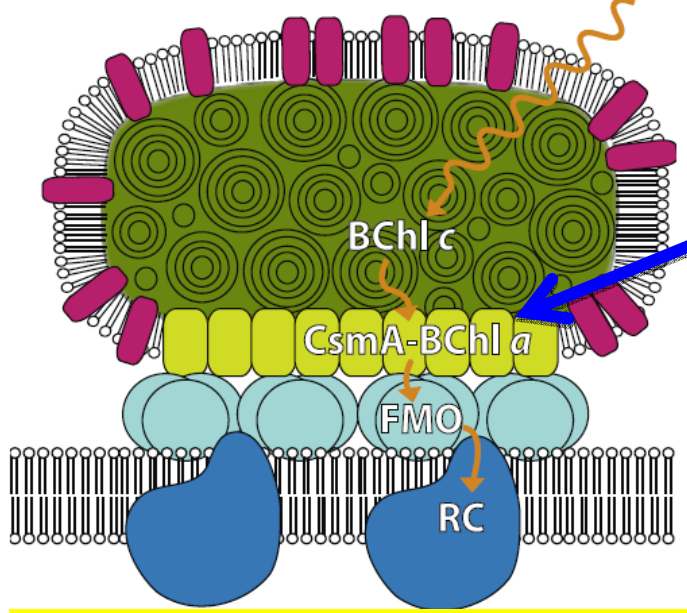


Rotations in 3D ( $I_x, I_y, I_z$ ) or ( $I_x, 2I_y S_z, 2I_z S_z$ ) operator spaces



# Structure of proteins in immobile environments

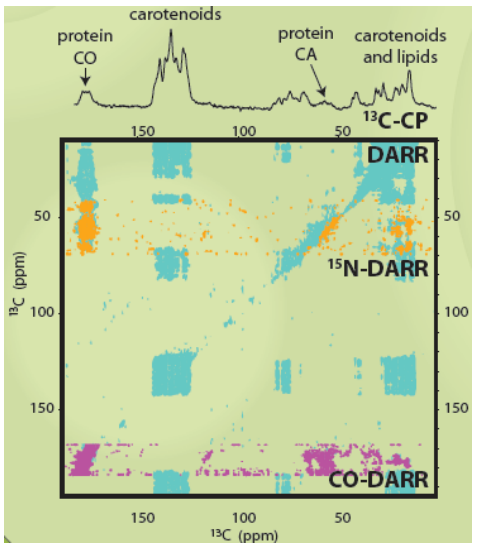
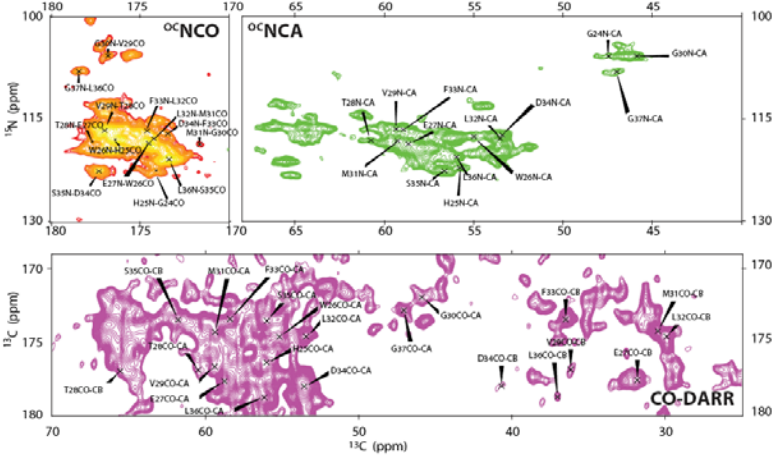
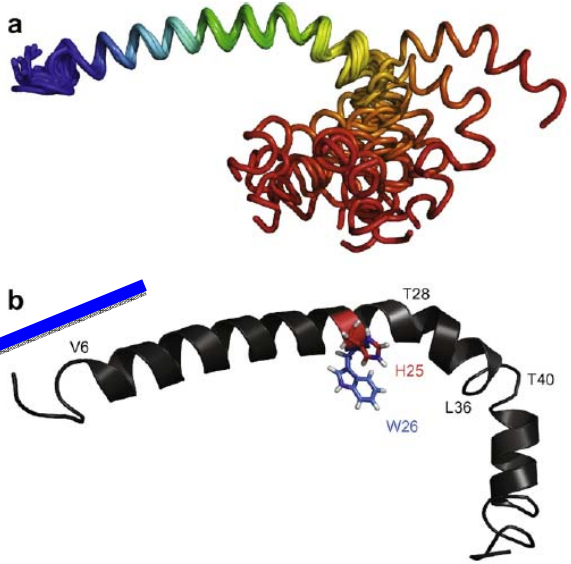
## Membrane protein structures



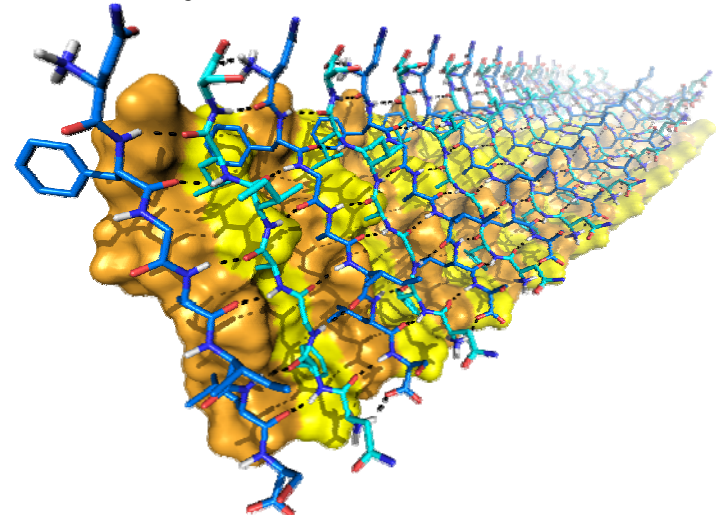
**GREEN SULFUR BACTERIA**

*Chlorobidumtepidum*

Pedersen, Dittmer, Miller, and Nielsen, *FEBS Lett.*, 2008



## Amyloid fibril structures



Nielsen et al, *Angew. Chem.* 2009



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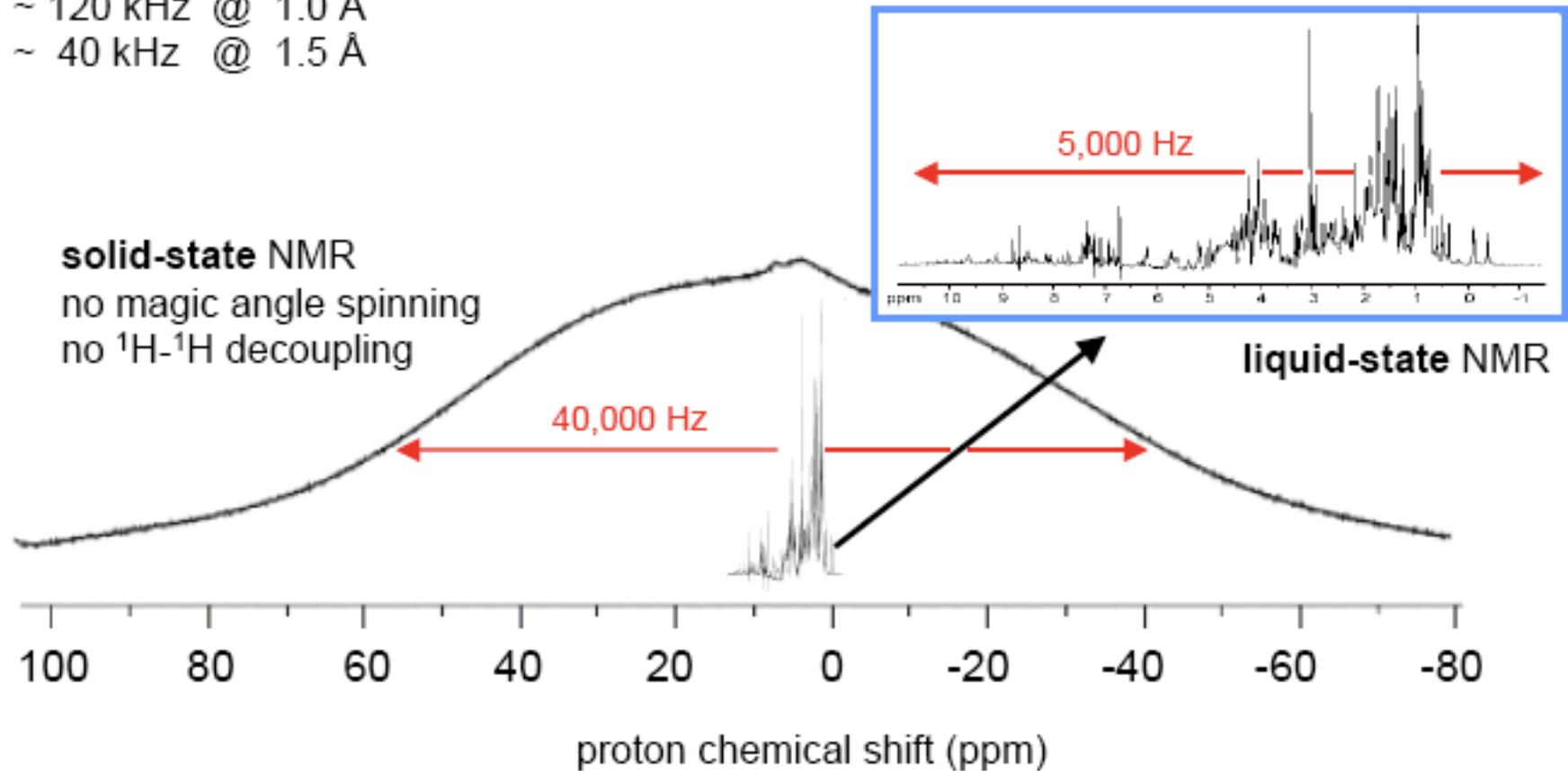
Niels Chr. Nielsen

# For solids, anisotropic interactions destroy the resolution and the sensitivity is low

dipolar coupling between protons:

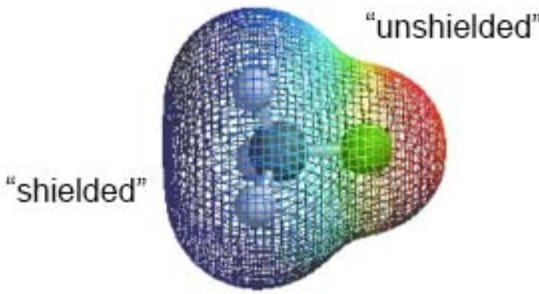
~ 120 kHz @ 1.0 Å

~ 40 kHz @ 1.5 Å

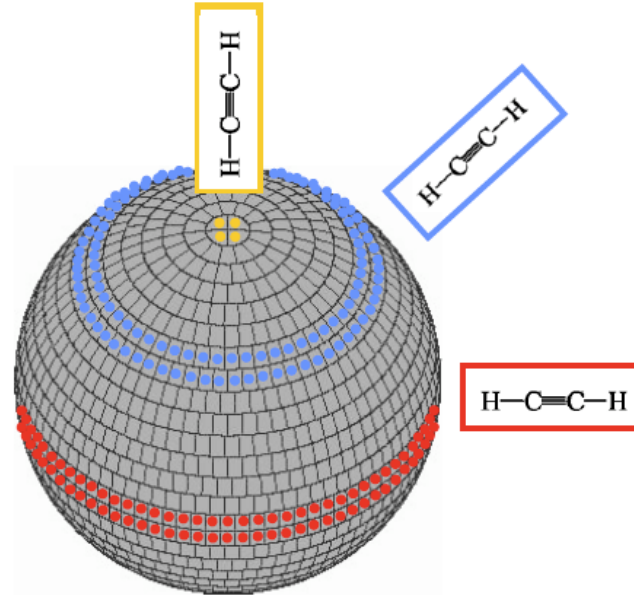
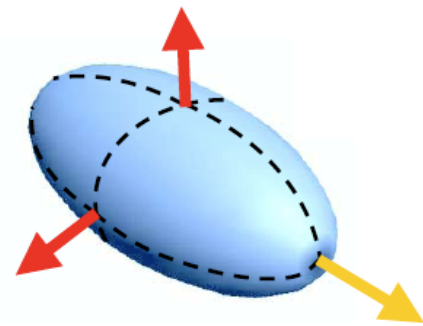
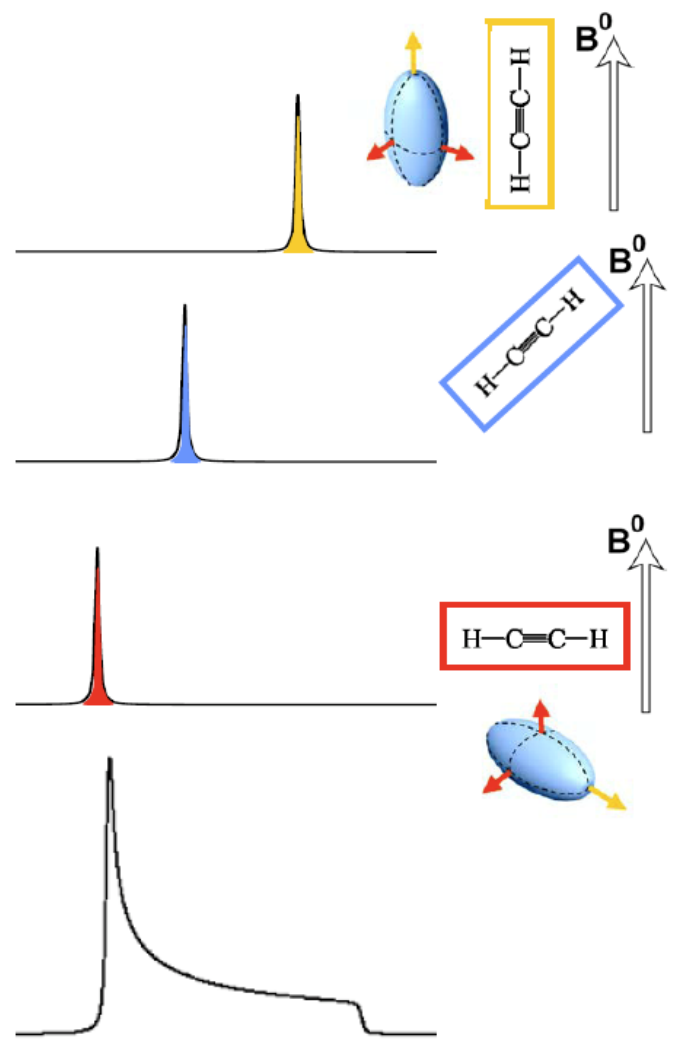




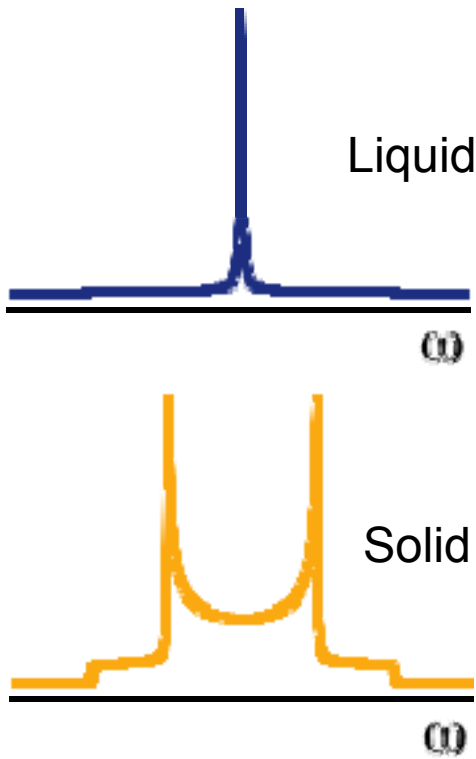
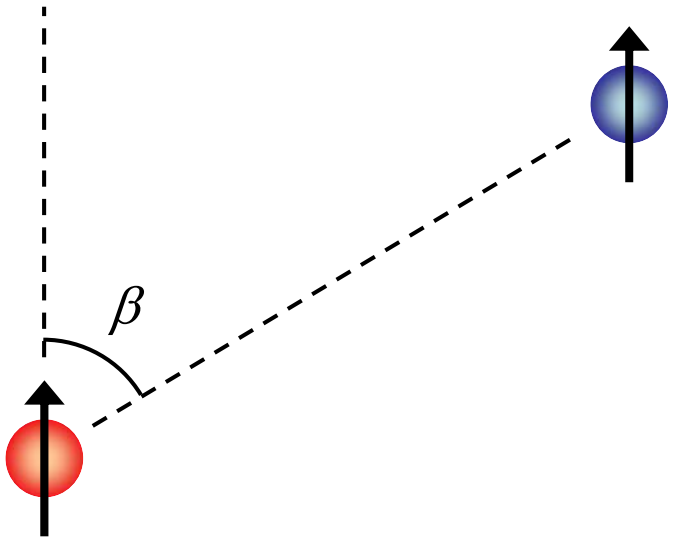
# Origin to broadening: Chemical shielding anisotropy



The electrons shields the magnetic field – an orientation dependent manner

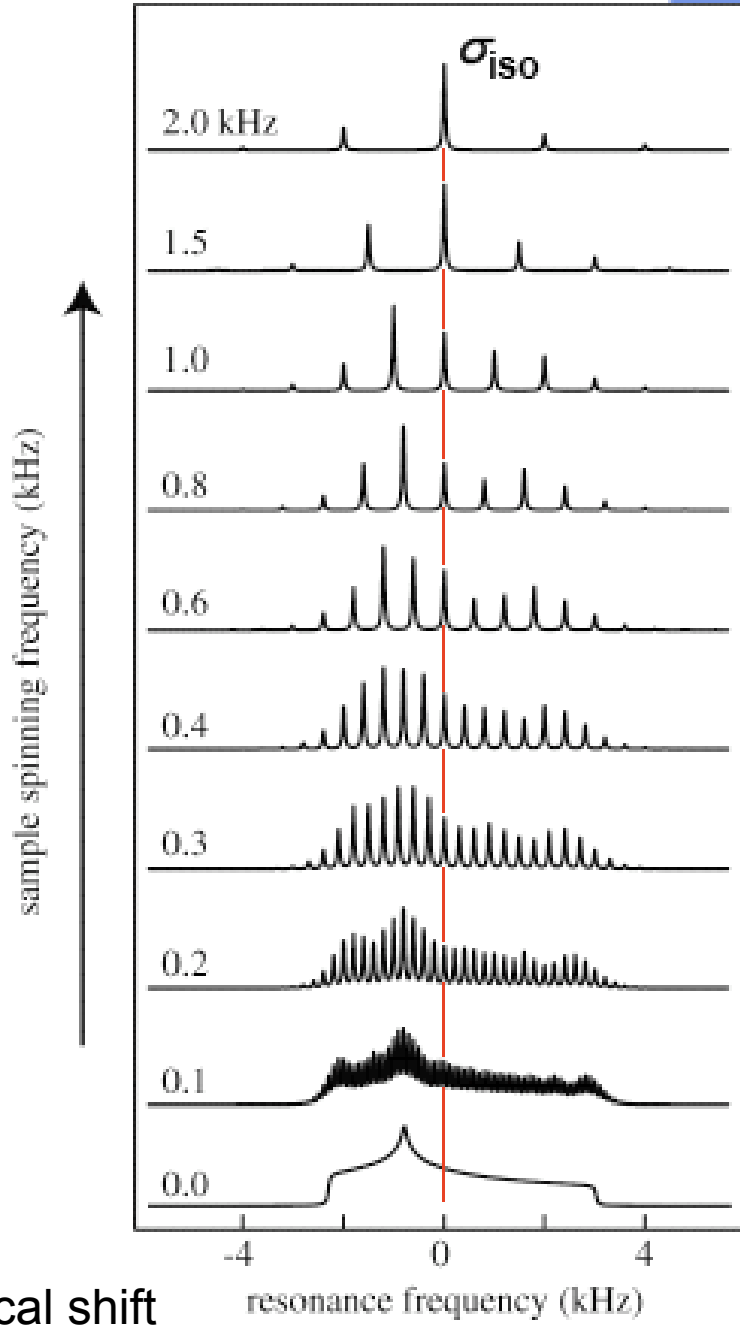
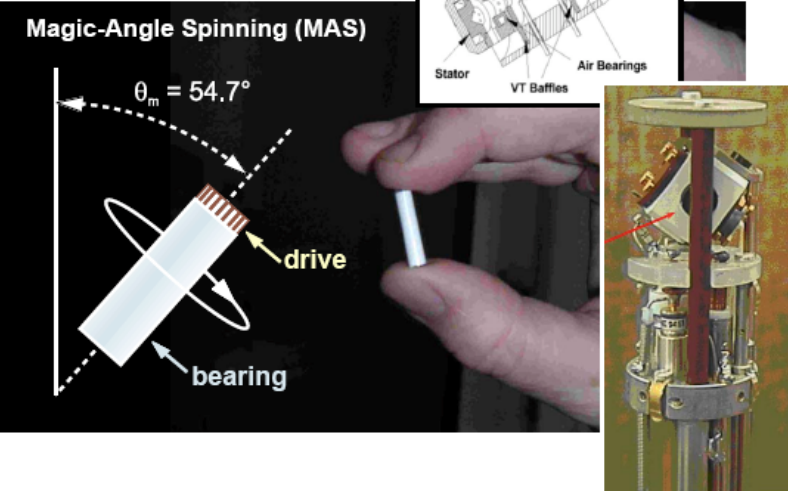


# Origin to broadening: Dipole-dipole couplings



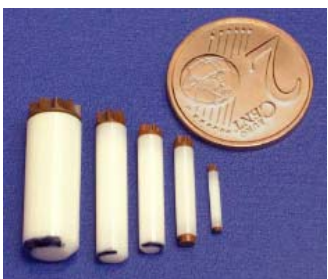
{ = 0 in isotropic liquids  
≠ 0 in solids or oriented media

# Regain of resolution: Magic-angle spinning



Isotropic chemical shift

# To mimic molecular motion we have to spin fast



4.0 mm	→	15 kHz	(1,400,000 x g)
3.2 mm	→	25 kHz	(2,700,000 x g)
2.5 mm	→	35 kHz	(3,500,000 x g)



(50,000 x g)...

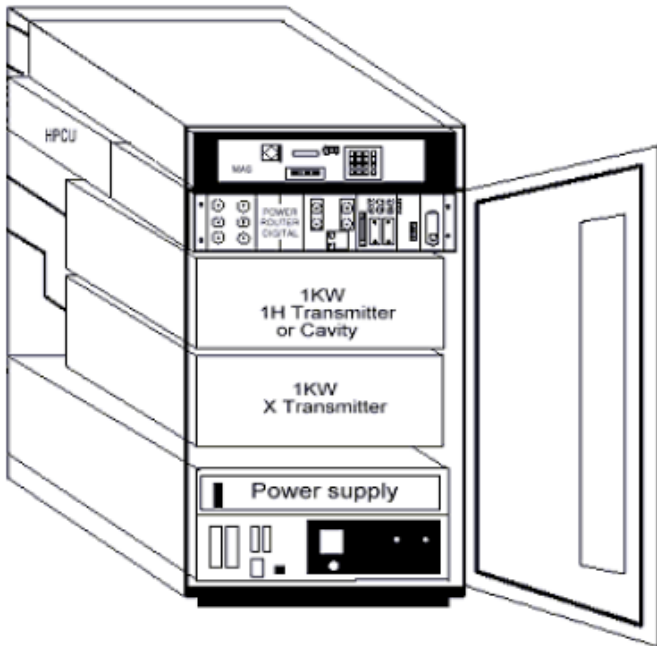
a 3.2 mm rotor spinning at 24 kHz...  
... has a speed of 240 m/s when it would roll on the floor ...  
... and needs only 46 hours to roll around the earth...



From van Rossum



# Strong rf irradiation: to remove dipolar coupling



720,844 mm<sup>3</sup>  
(1 mW / mm<sup>3</sup>)



67 mm<sup>3</sup>  
(15 W / mm<sup>3</sup>)

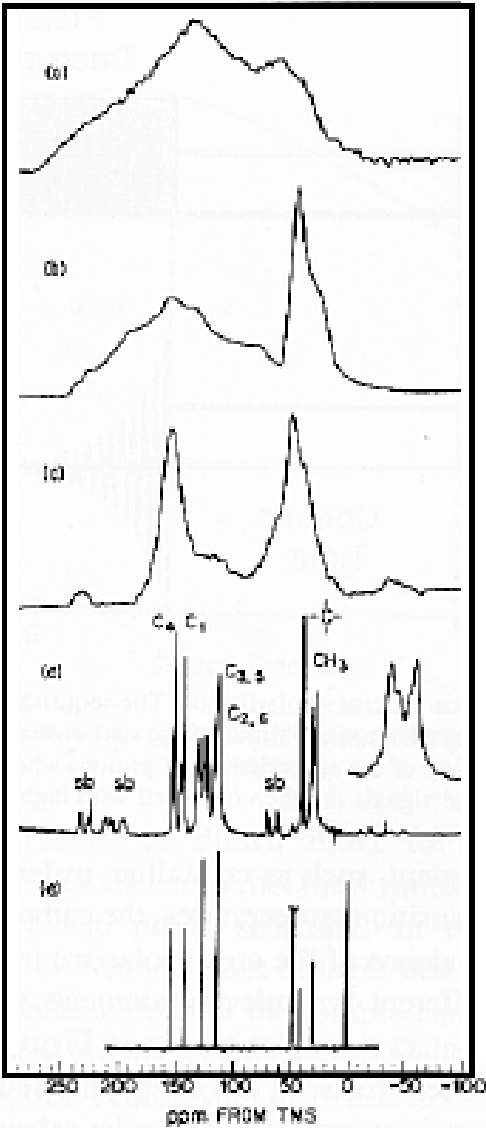


15 mm<sup>3</sup>  
(70 W / mm<sup>3</sup>)

From van Rossum

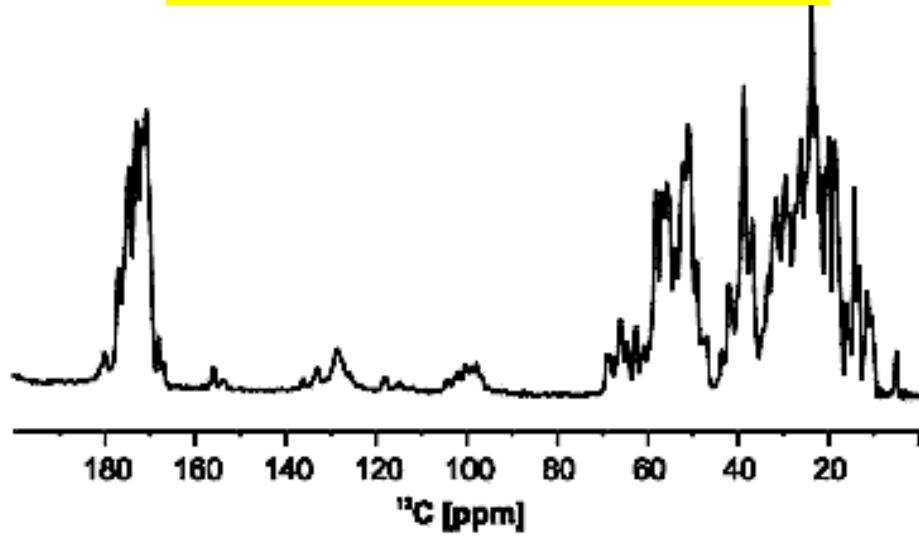


# Effect of MAS and strong rf irradiation



- ← no MAS, no decoupling
- ← no MAS, decoupling
- ← MAS, no decoupling
- ← MAS, decoupling
- ← solution NMR

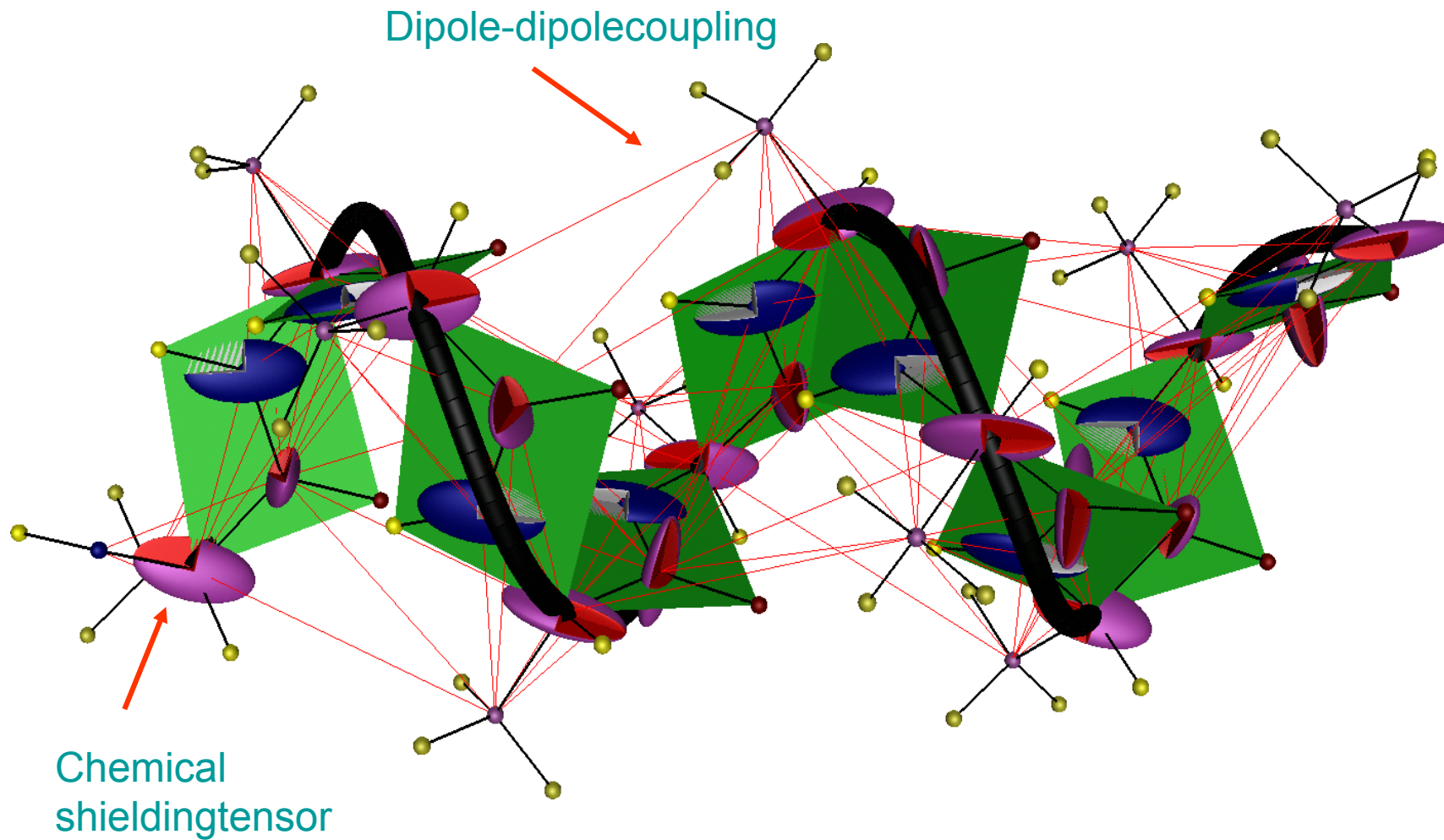
A solid protein: Nanocrystals



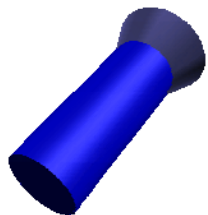
A good high-resolution solid-state NMR spectrum brings us at the level where liquid-state NMR started

# Detailed structure information

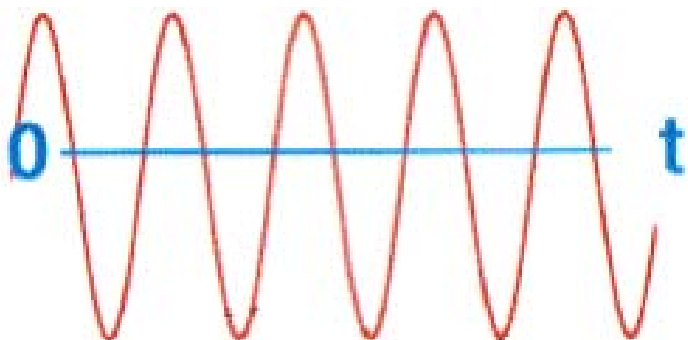
- do we regain control with too much power



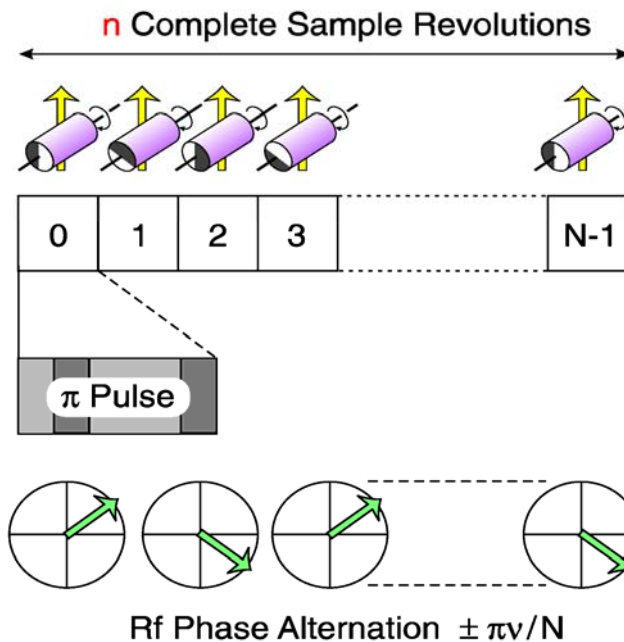
# Tayloring of the Hamiltonian: Recoupling of dipolar coupling interactions



Sample rotation destroys exploitation of dipolar couplings



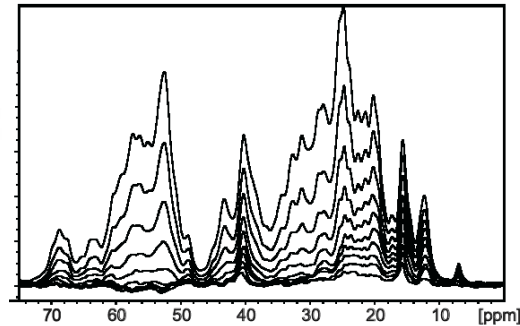
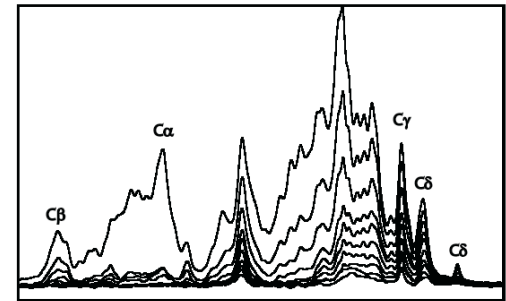
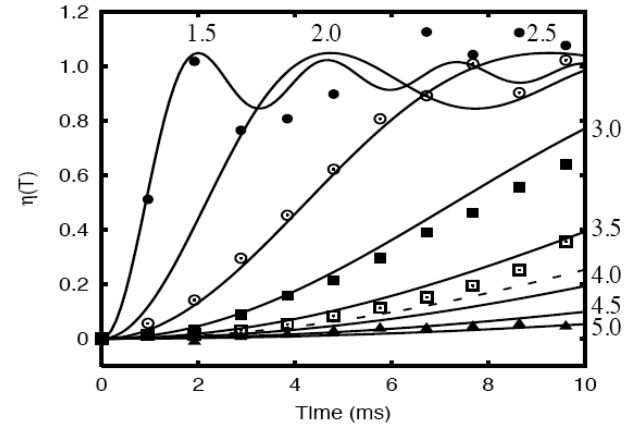
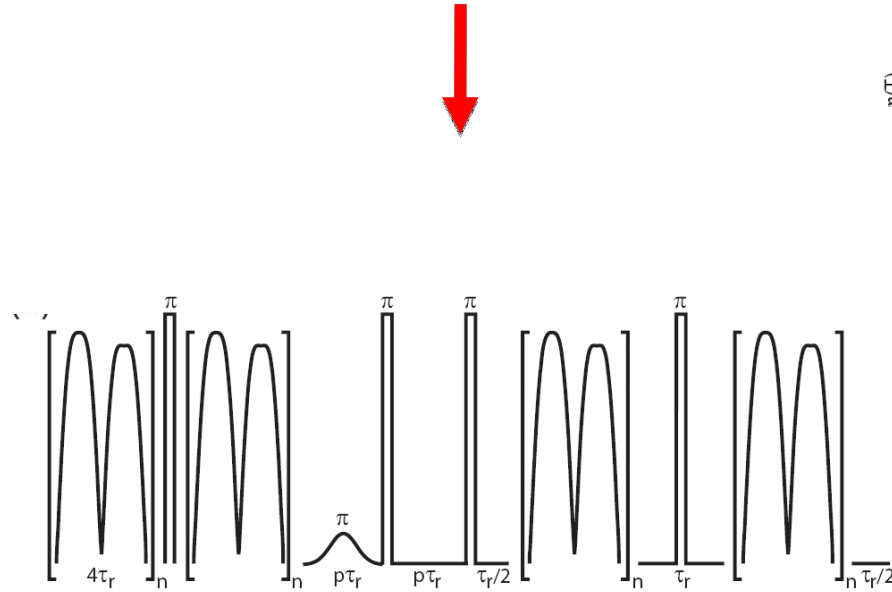
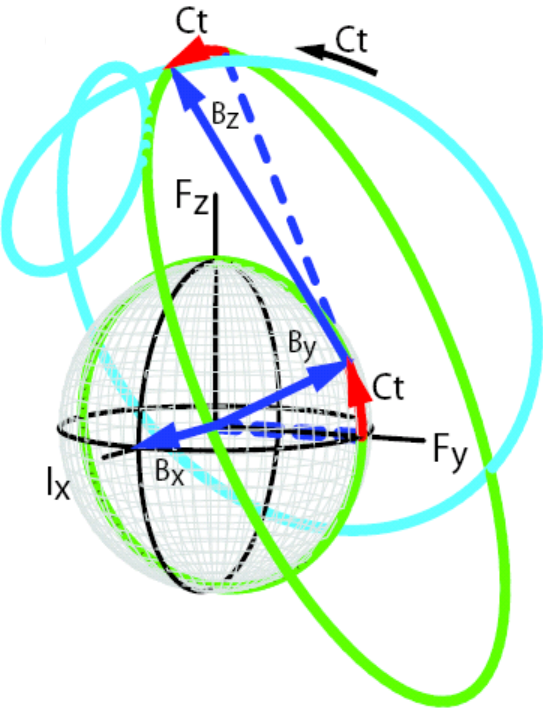
+



x

for  $p=-m$

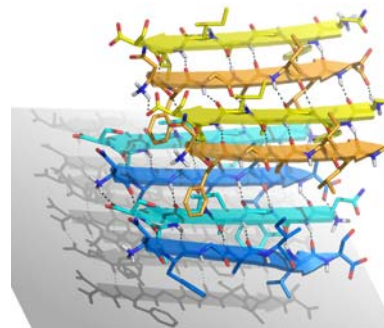
# Accurate distance in MAS solid-state NMR: Recoupling without dipolar truncation – NMR robotics



Triple-Oscillating-Field-technique  
TOFU

Khaneja and Nielsen,  
*J. Chem. Phys.*, 2009  
Straasø et al,  
*J. Chem. Phys.*, 2009

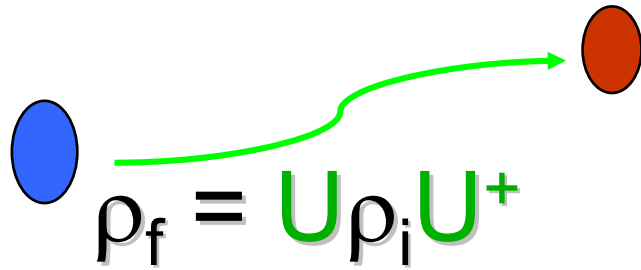
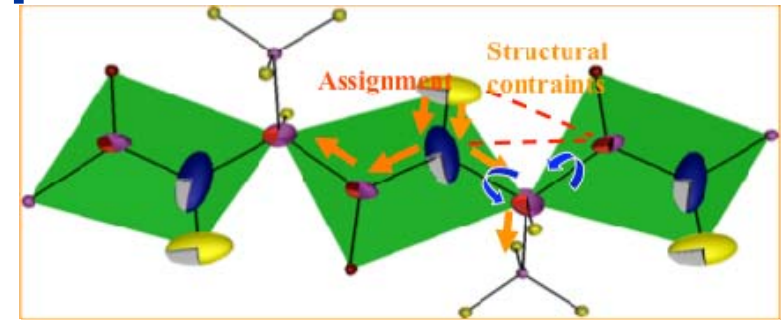
$^{13}\text{C}$ - $^{13}\text{C}$   
distances up  
to 5 Å with  
0.1-0.2 Å  
accuracy



# Optimal control design of NMR experiments

- improved sensitivity
- band selective operation
- less rf power consumption

Kehlet et al,  
*JACS*, 2004  
Maximov et al,  
*J. Chem. Phys.*, 2008  
Tosner et al,  
*J. Magn. Reson.* 2009

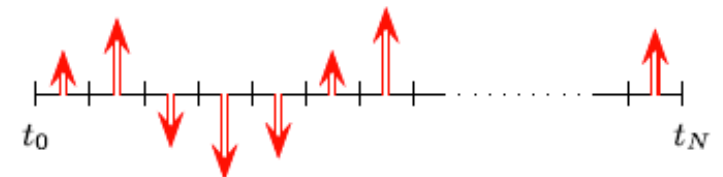
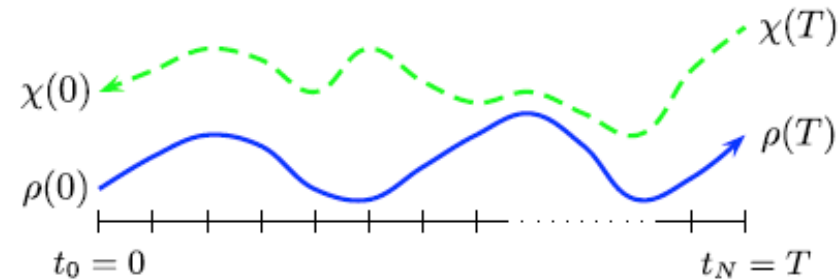
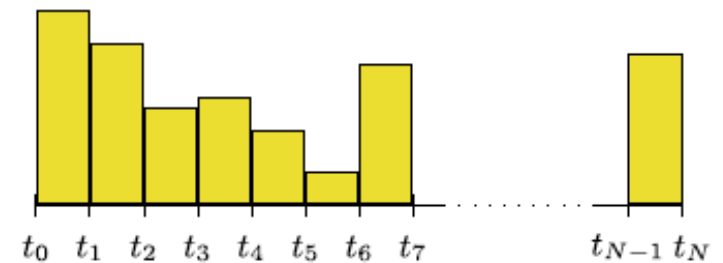


Optimal control => Design of  $\bar{U}$

$$J_i = \phi_i - \lambda \int_0^T \sum_k u_k^2(t) dt$$

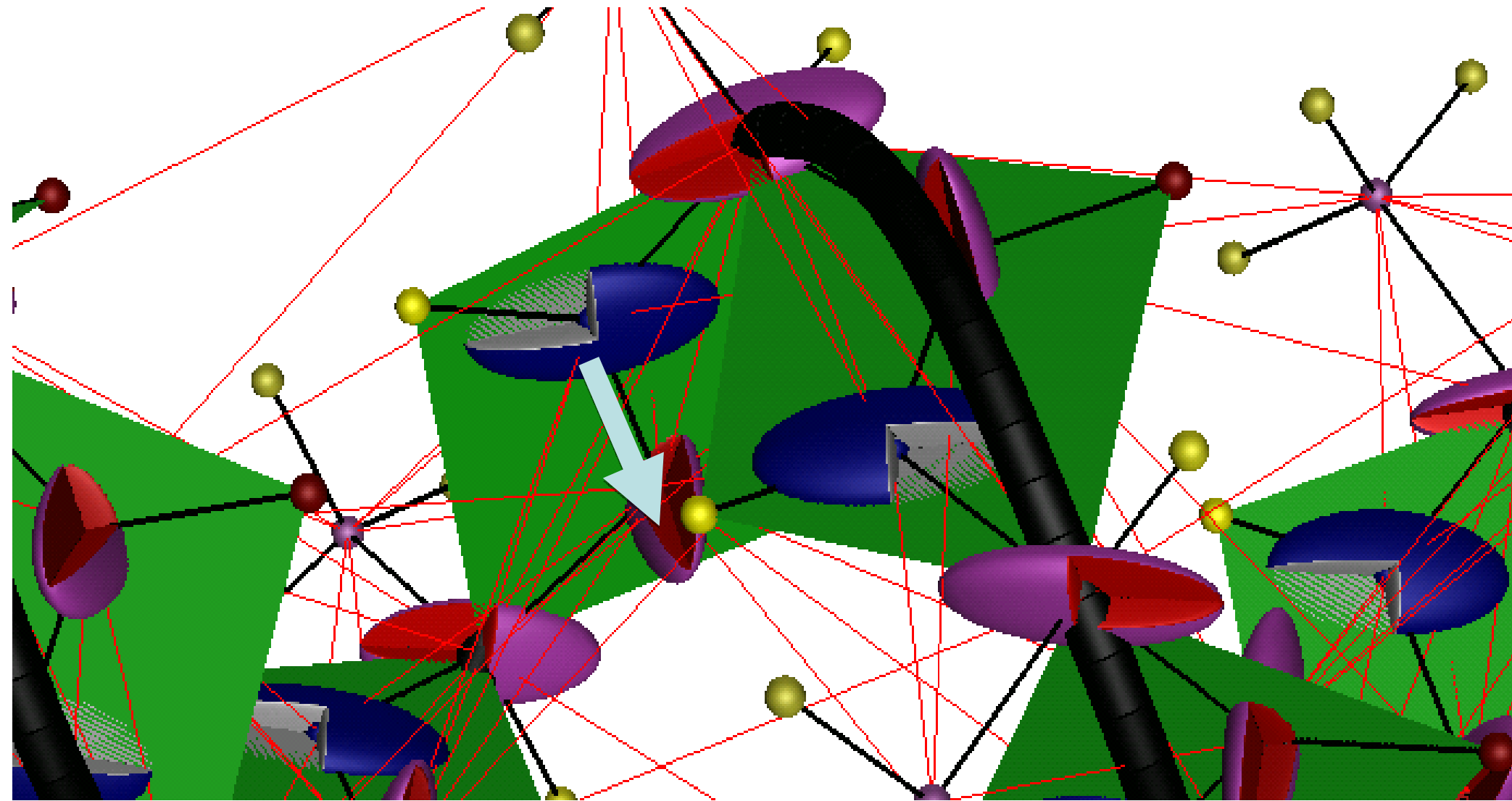
Final cost      Runningcost

Final cost       $\phi_1 = \text{Tr} \{ C^\dagger \rho(T) \}$





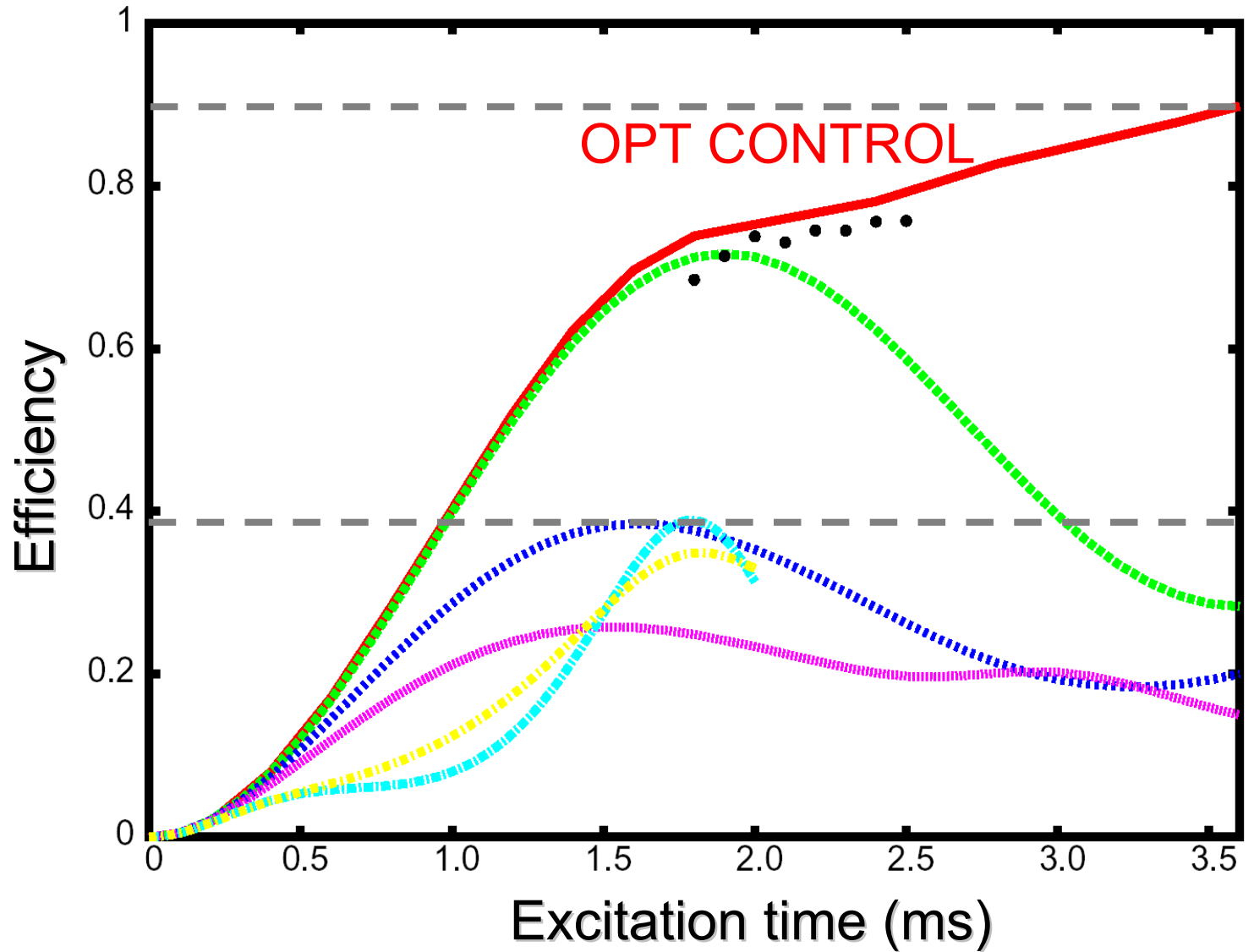
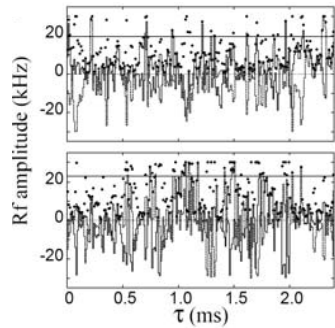
# A specific case – many exists



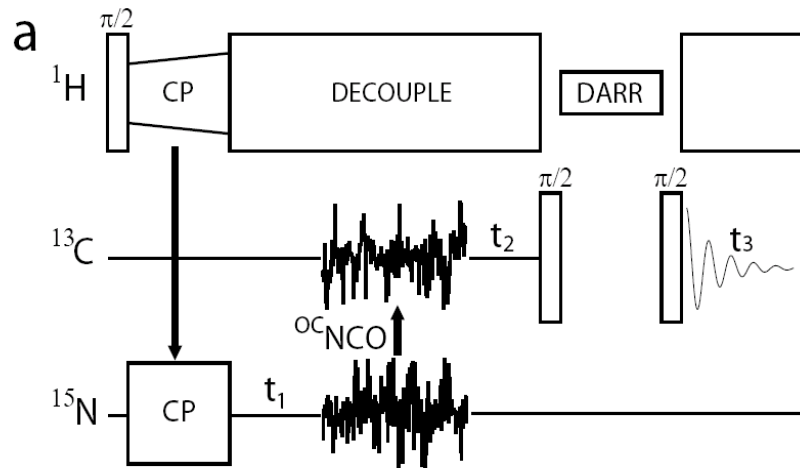
# Traditional recoupling vs. optimal control

I  $4\omega_r$

S  $3\omega_r$



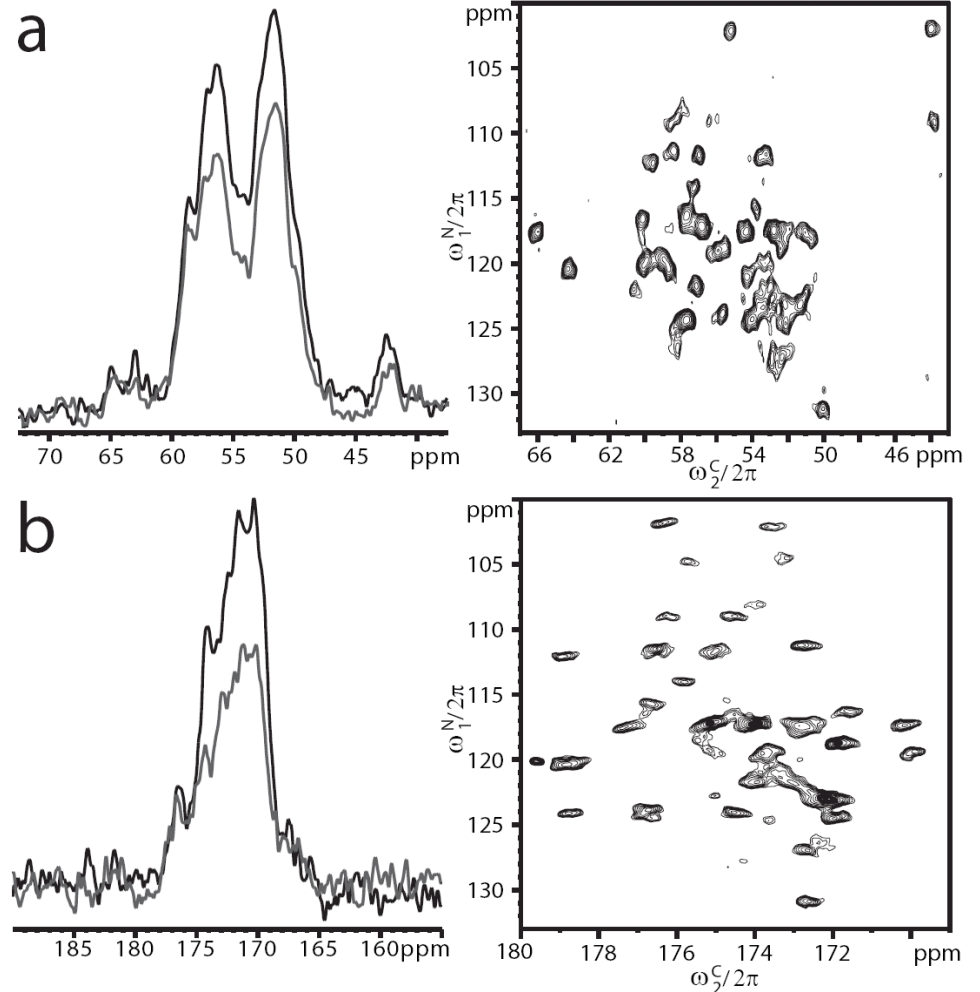
# 3D NCOCX: U-<sup>13</sup>C, <sup>15</sup>N-ubiquitin



Optimal Control

50-100%  
Higher sensitivity  
(less sample/less time)

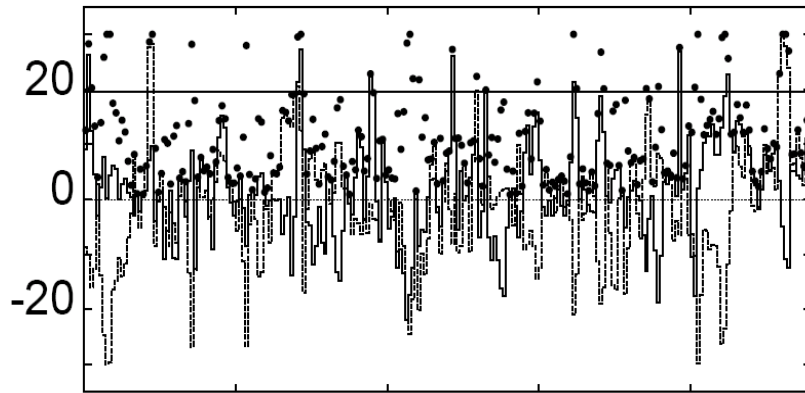
Less sample heating  
(in the order of  
1/10 – 1/4 power)



Kehlet, Bjerring, Sivertsen, Glaser, Khaneja, Nielsen, J. Magn. Reson 188, 216 (2007)

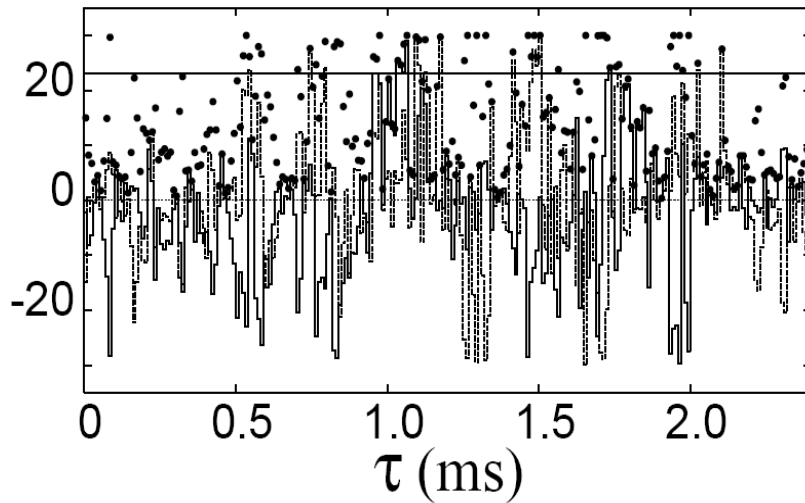
# $^{15}\text{N} \rightarrow ^{13}\text{C}$ in NCO and NCA at highfield- sequence&robustness

$^{15}\text{N}$

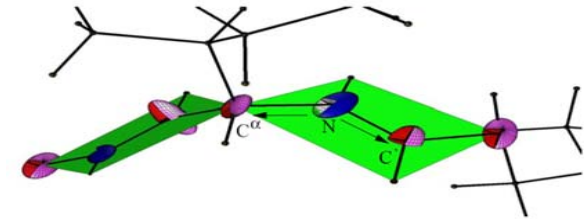


$^{13}\text{C}$

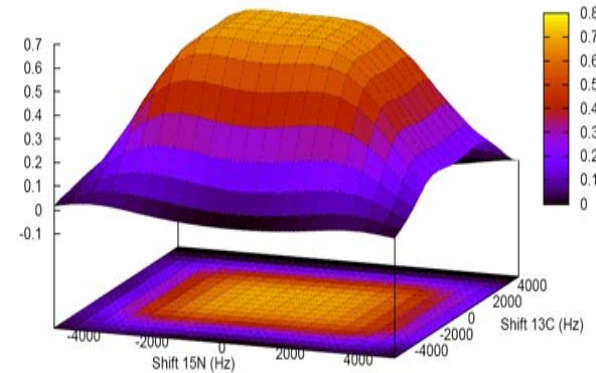
Rf amplitude (kHz)



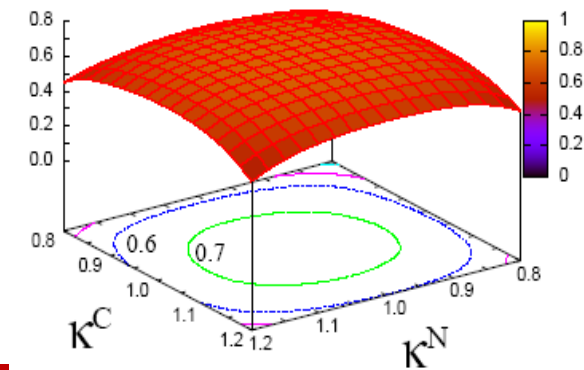
Transfer



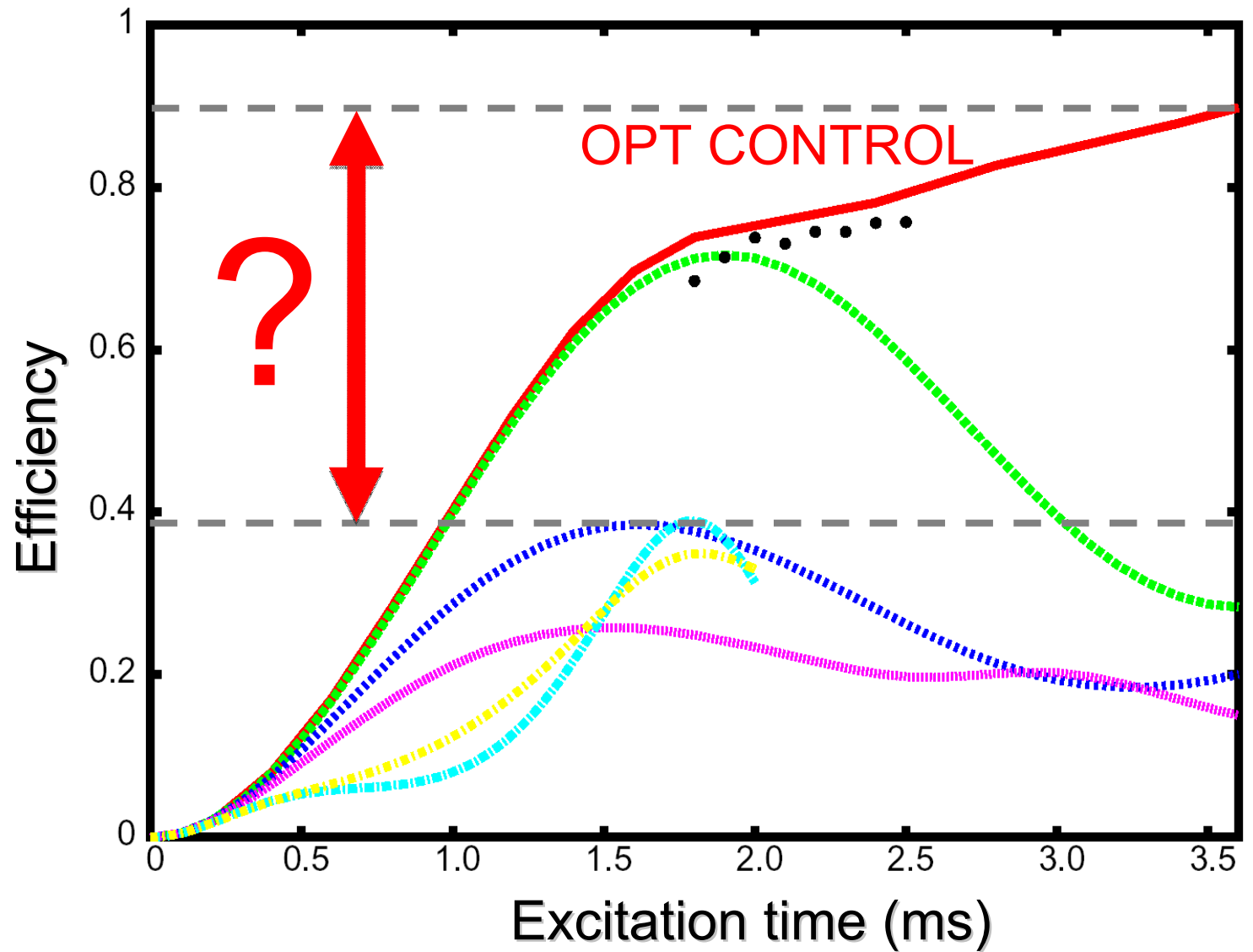
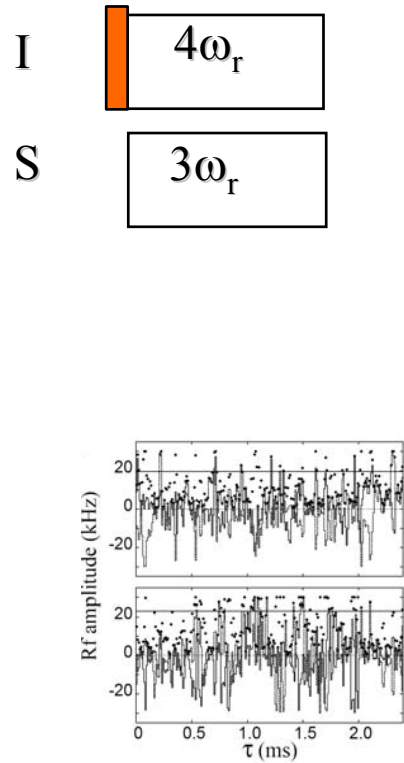
Offset  
 $^{15}\text{N}/^{13}\text{C}$



Rf  
inhomogeneity  
 $^{15}\text{N}/^{13}\text{C}$



# Traditional recoupling vs. optimal control



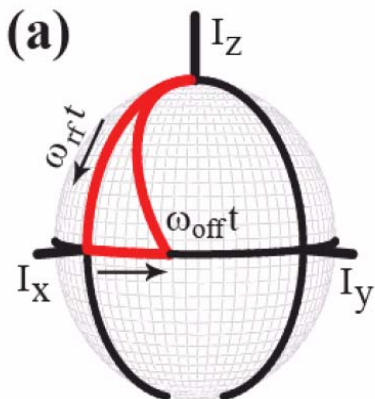


# Composite Dipolar Recoupling

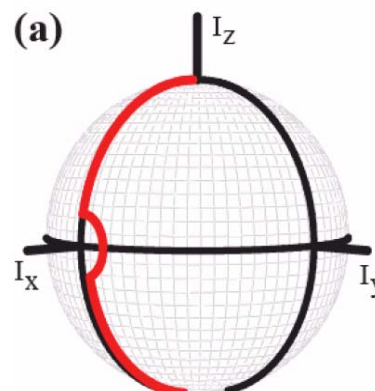
A marriage between Analytics and Optimal Control Numerics

Rf pulse:

$(\pi/2)_y$

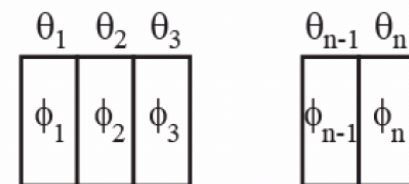


$(\pi/2)_y(\pi)_x(\pi/2)_y$

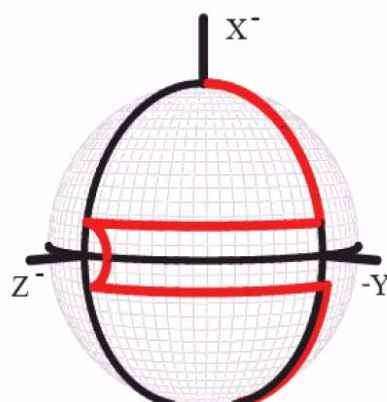
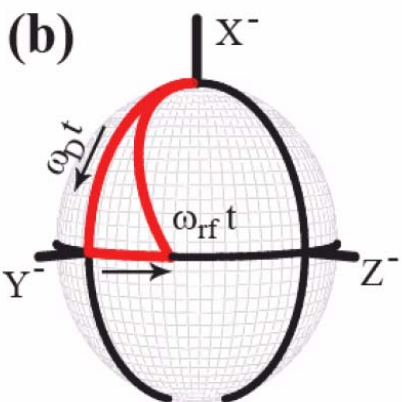


Improved rf inhom compensation

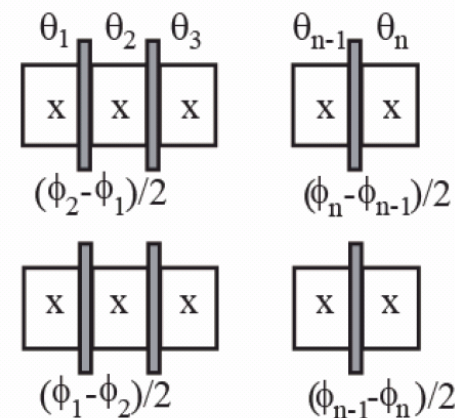
General translation



Dipolar recoupling:



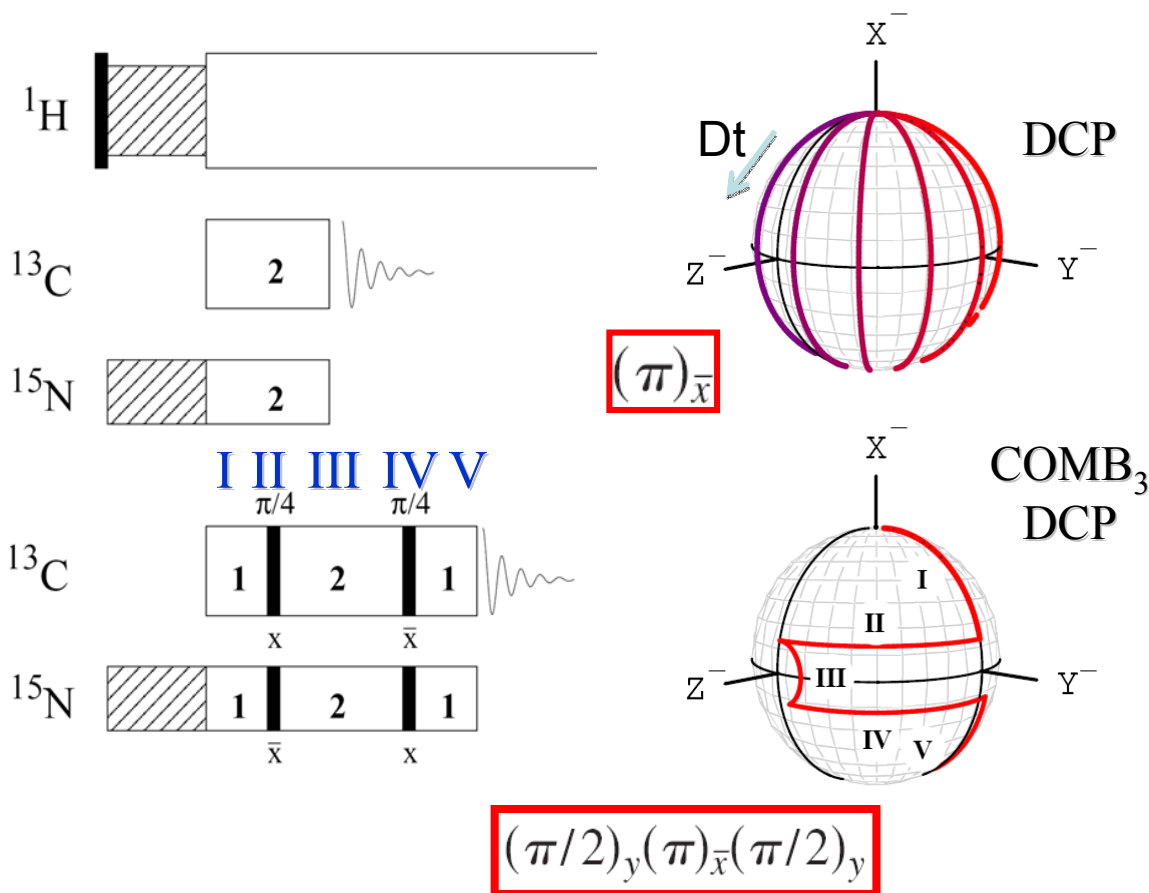
Improved  $\beta$ -angle compensation



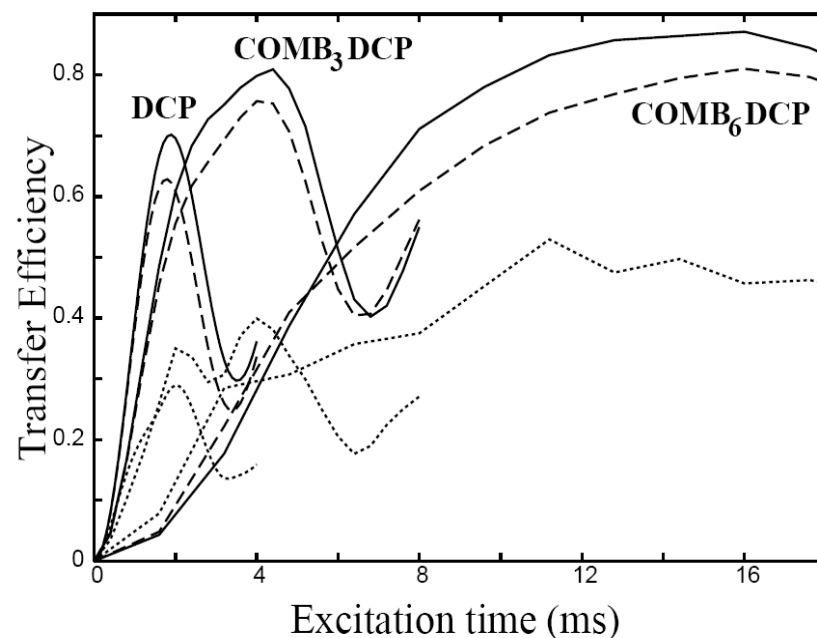
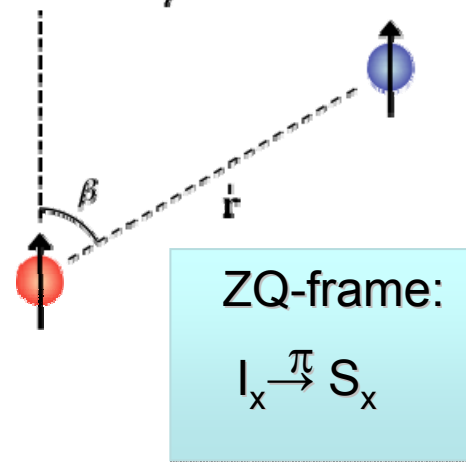
ZQ-frame:

$$I_x \xrightarrow{\pi} S_x$$

# Inspiration from optimal control: Composite Dipolar Recoupling

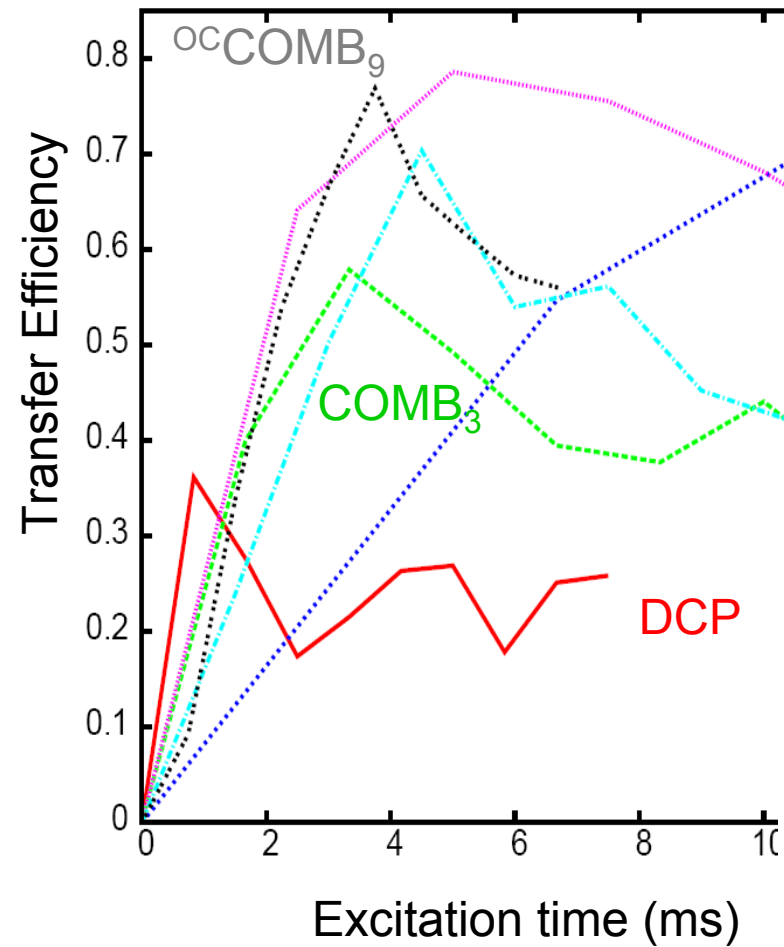


$$D \propto \frac{1}{r^3} (3 \cos^2 \beta - 1)$$

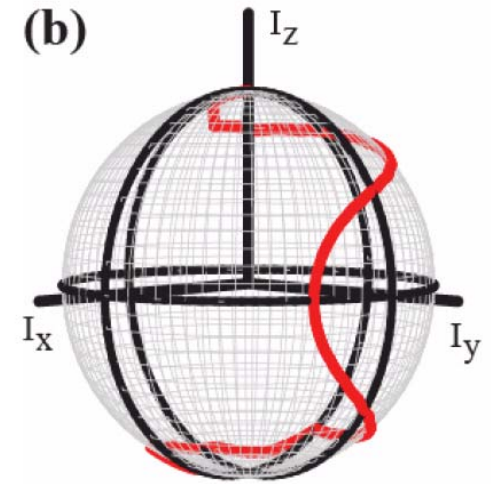


Better compensation towards orientation ( $\beta$ ) variation of dipolar coupling

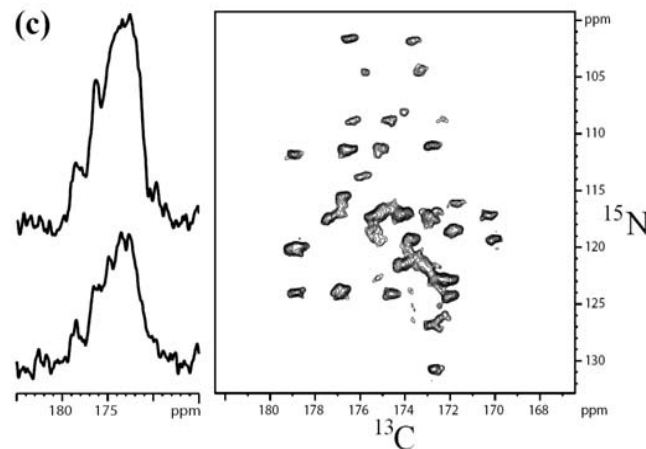
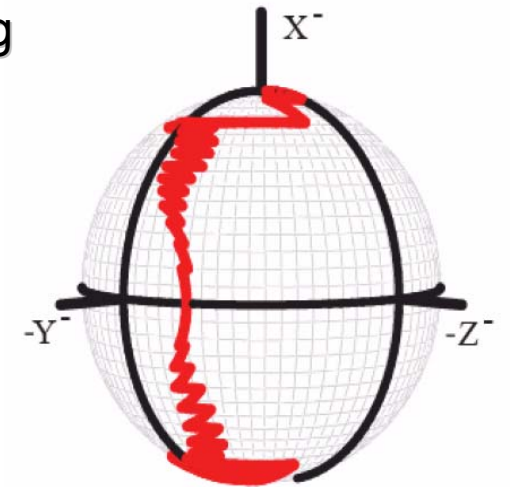
# Optimal Control version **with** Reduced Dimensionality



Rf pulses

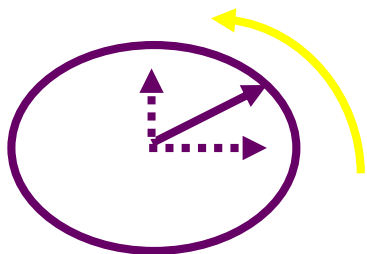


Recoupling sequence



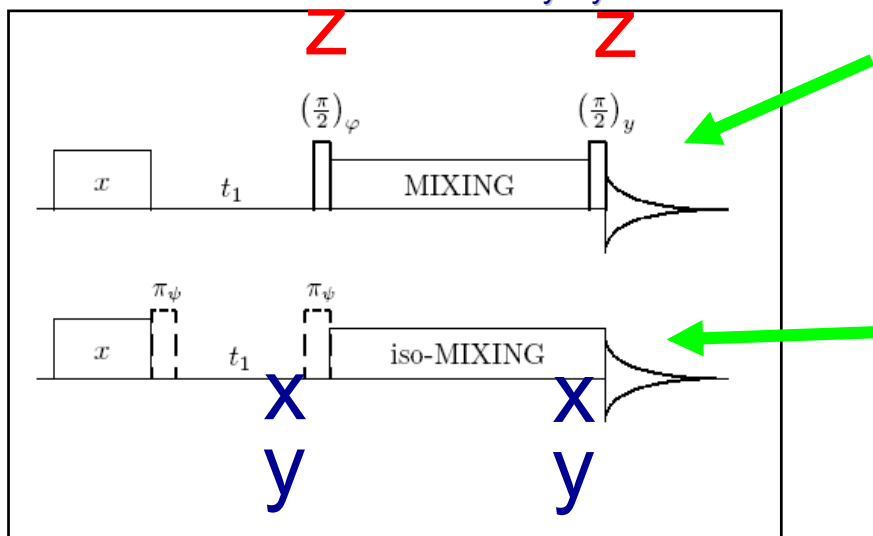
# Optimization of *Effective* Hamiltonians

## Sensitivity-enhanced 2D solid-state NMR

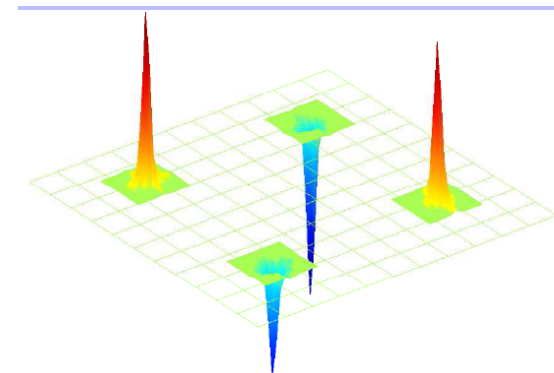
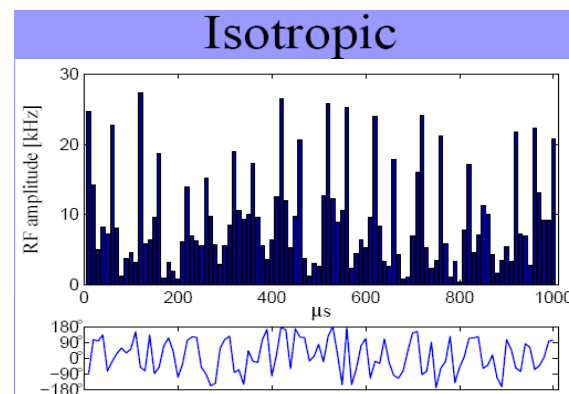
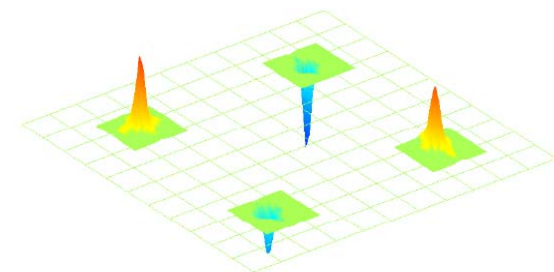
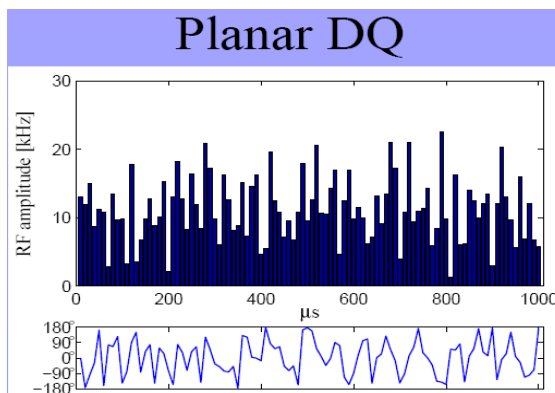


Only transfer of  
x- or y-  
component

$$2I_x S_x - 2I_y S_y$$



$$2I_x S_x + 2I_y S_y + 2I_z S_z$$

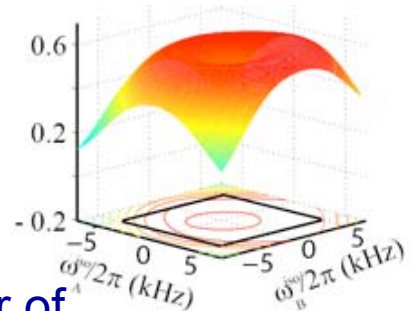
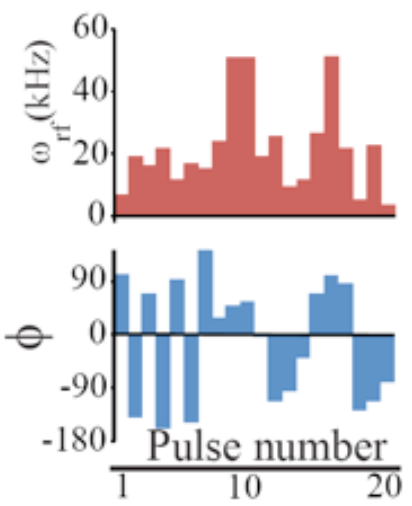
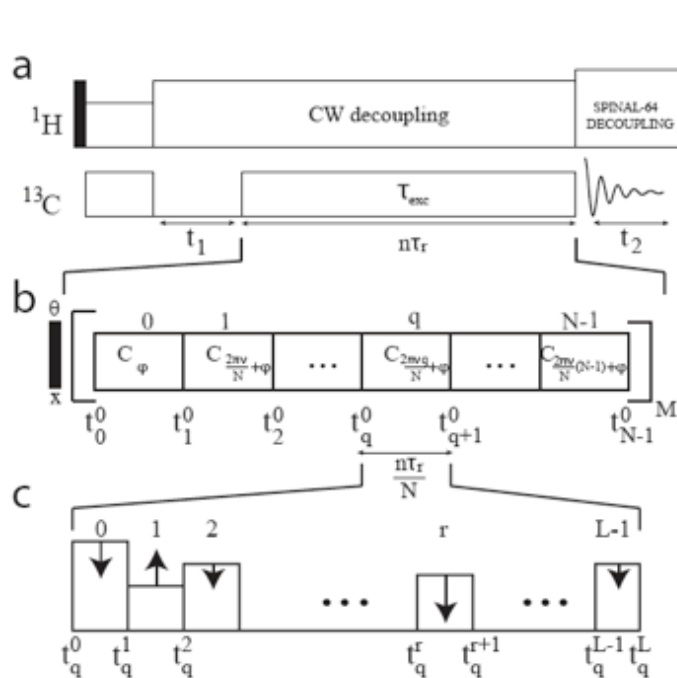


Transfer of both components after  
 $t_1$  evolution  $\Rightarrow \sqrt{2}$  sensitivity enhancement

Tosner, Glaser, Khaneja, Nielsen,  
*J. Chem. Phys.* 125, 184502 (2006)

# Symmetry-based optimal control experiments for assignment

<sup>13</sup>C7 band-selective mixing for 2D CACB, CACX & 3D NCACB



Reducing the RF FIELD's by a factor of 3-4 => only 10-15'th sample heating

Gain:  
X 3-4

Nielsen et al,  
*J. Chem. Phys.*, 2009

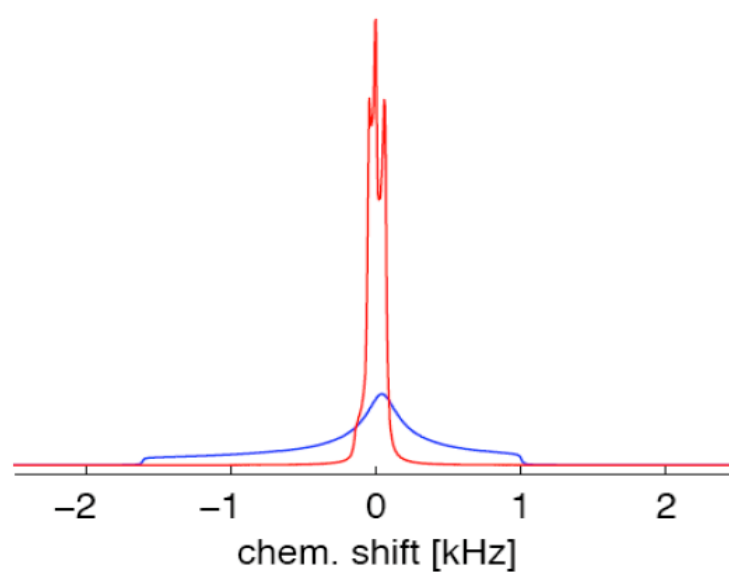
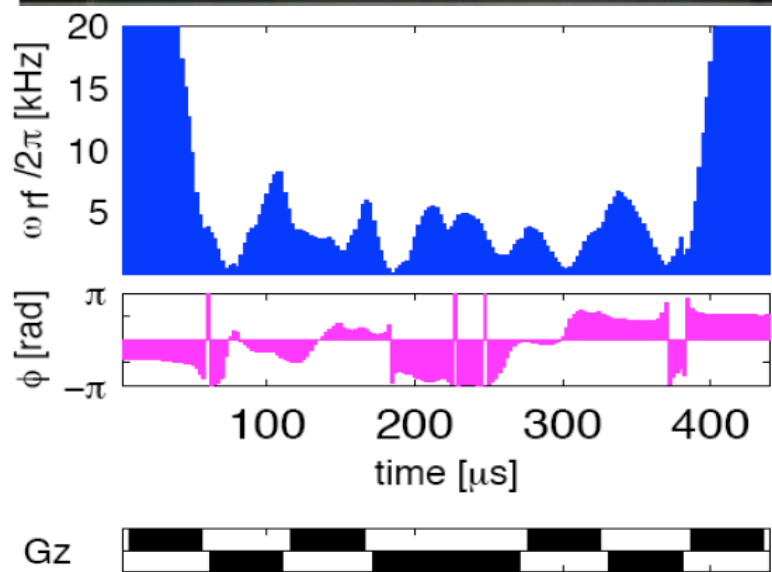
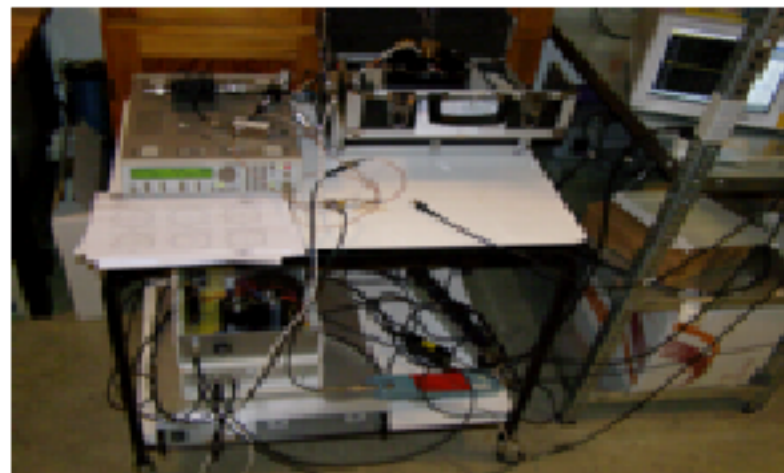
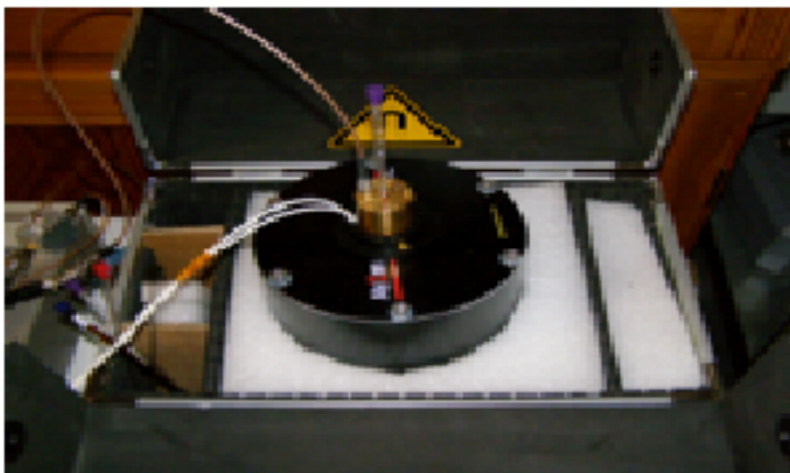


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# Low-field NMR using Optimal Control for Resolution Enhancement



# Optimal control and DNP

S(Electron)-I(Nucleus)  
two-spin system

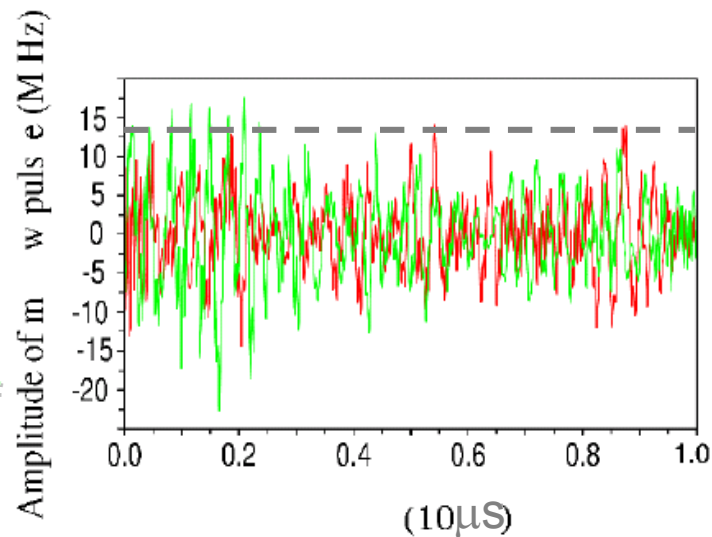
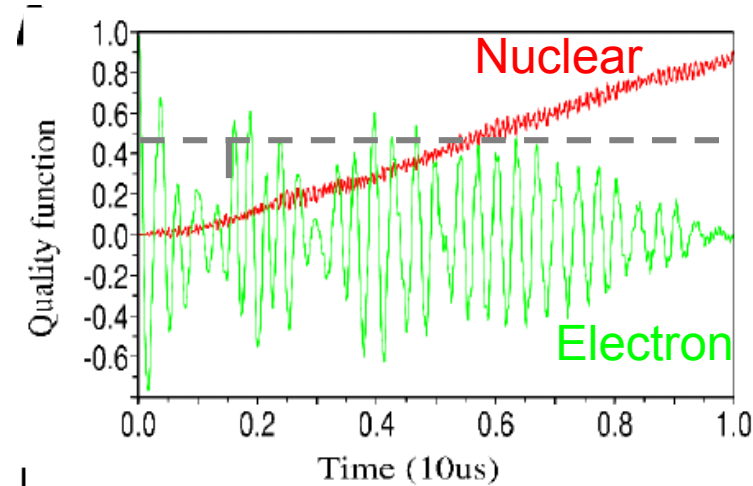
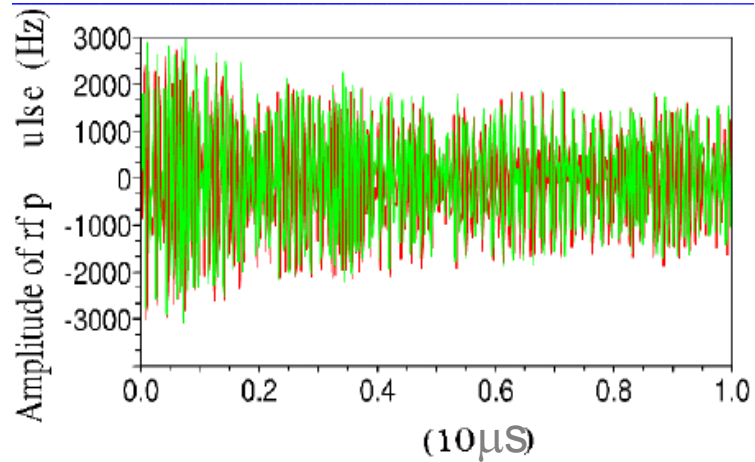
$$H_0 = \Omega_n I_z + A S_z I_z + B S_z I_x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_n/2\pi &= -14 \text{ MHz } \text{ } ^1\text{H Zeeman} \\ A/2\pi &= 6 \text{ MHz} \\ B/2\pi &= 3 \text{ MHz} \end{aligned}$$

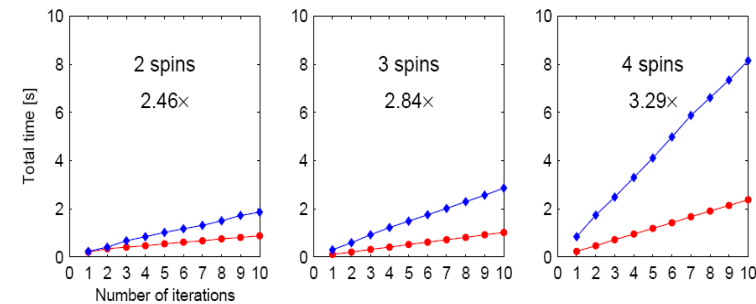
$$S_x \rightarrow I_z$$

A: secular part of  
hyperfine interaction

B: Pseudo secular part of  
hyperfine interaction



Computational time  
Krotov: Red  
GRAPE: Blue

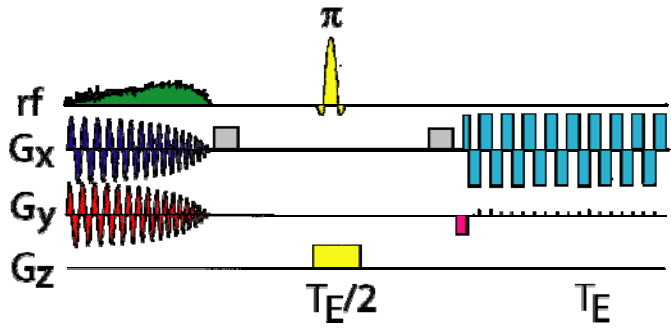


Jeschke, Schweiger, Mol Phys 1996

Maximov, Tosner, Nielsen, JCP (2008)

MW @ 9 GHz (X-band) –  
ca. 0.3 T (14 MHz) NMR

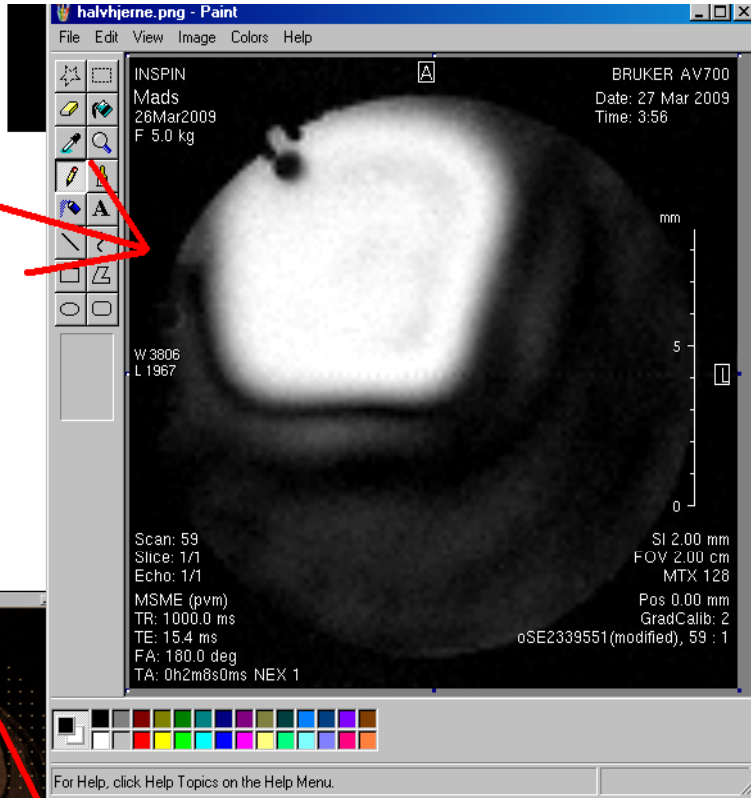
# Optimal control in MRI: Excitation of a HALF BRAIN



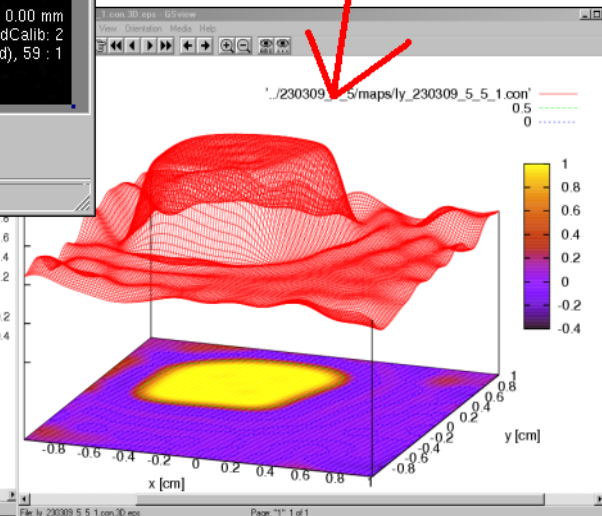
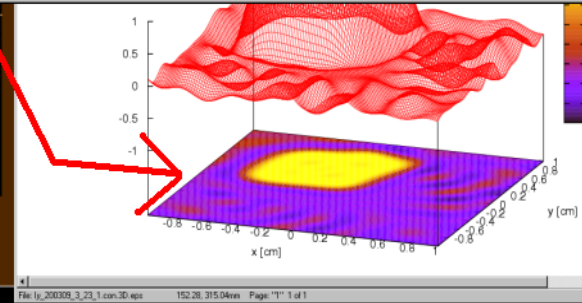
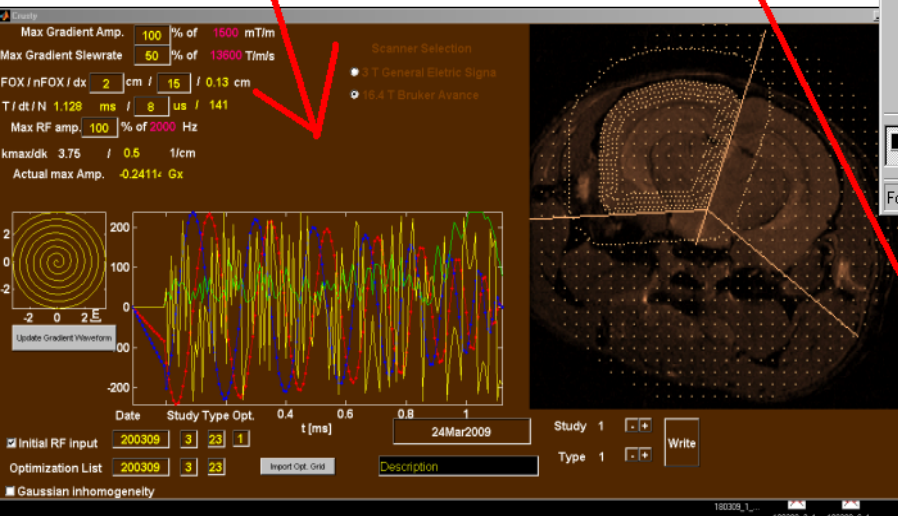
Setup

Experiment at 16.4T

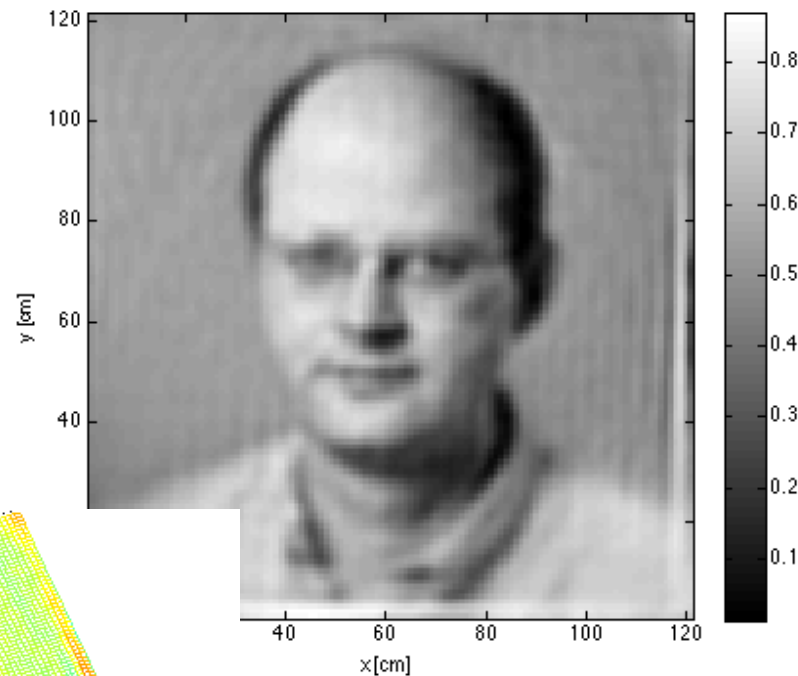
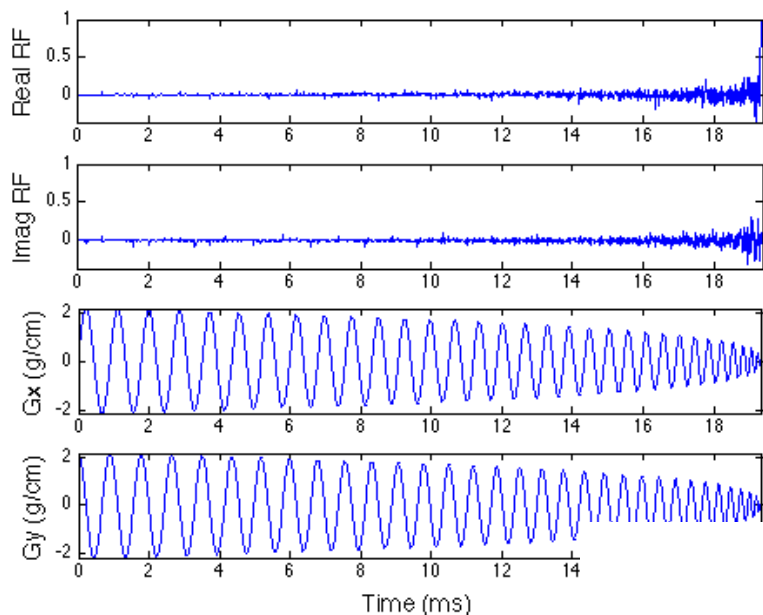
Initial optimization



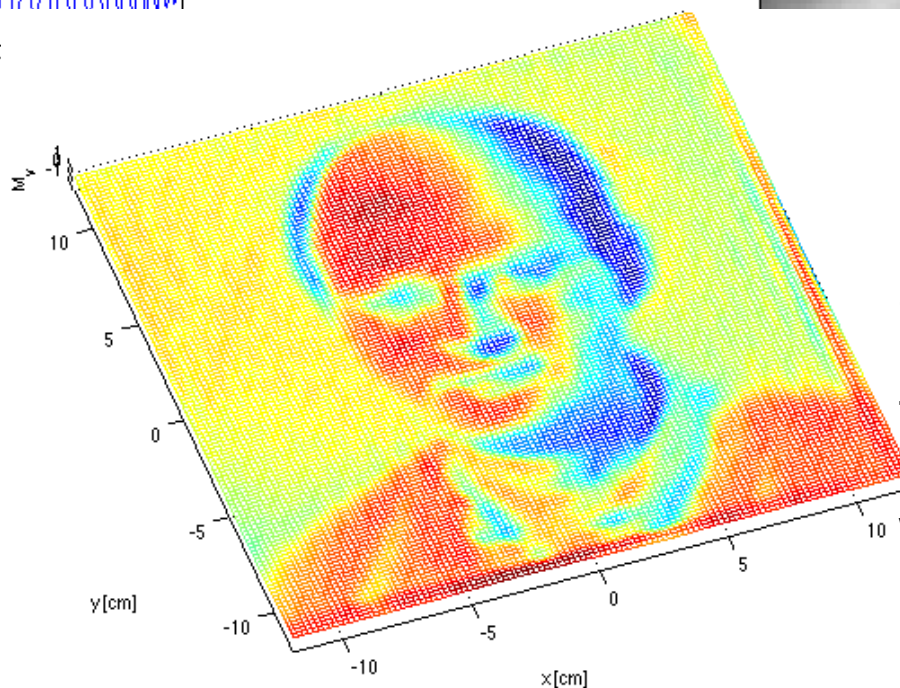
Refined optimization



# Talking about halfbrains – OC can do amazing things ..



What do you think this pulse will excite?



and NMR/MRI/DNP is an excellent field to the the capabilities in ...

we provided open source Software – you do the rest



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