Dipolar interactions in dense ensembles of Nitrogen-Vacancy centers

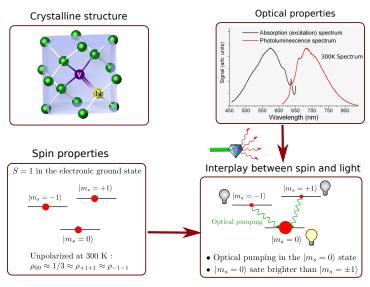
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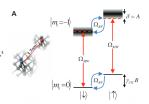
- \blacksquare Good optical properties : quantum yield \approx 1, stable in time and temperature
- Good spin properties : $T_1 \approx \text{ms}$ and $T_2^* \sim \mu \text{s}$ at 300 K.
- Optical polarization (up to 90%) and readout (fidelity up to 0.3) of the spin at room temperature
- ightarrow One of the most versatile spin qubit at room temperature

What are NV centers being used for ?

• Quantum memories :

Room-Temperature Quantum Bit Memory Exceeding One Second

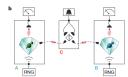
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Intrication :

Loophole-free Bell inequality violation using electron spins separated by 1.3 kilometres

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Magnetomtry with NV centers : big or small

• AFM nano-scale magnetomtry :

Nanoscale imaging magnetometry with diamond spins under ambient conditions

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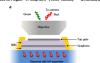


 $\begin{array}{l} {\rm resolution} \sim 30~{\rm nm} \\ {\rm sensitivity} \sim 1~\mu{\rm T}/\sqrt{\rm Hz} \end{array}$

• Diamond magnetic microscopy :

Imaging viscous flow of the Dirac fluid in graphene

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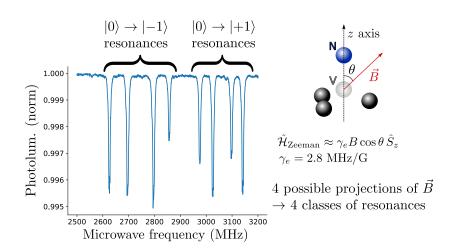
Context of my PhD work : new physics with dense ensemble of NV centers

- To increase the ensemble sensitivity we need to increase the density of NV centers
- Chemists and material scientists have made huge progress to grow NV-rich diamond with little other impurities

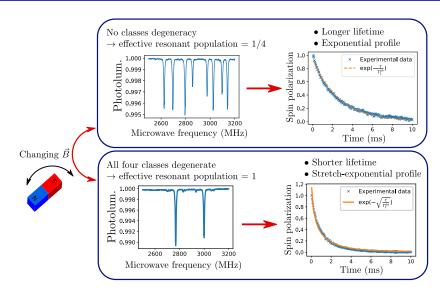


- $\bullet~\sim$ ppm density of NV centers
- \bullet Up to 40% of defects are NV centers
- When the defects density reaches a critical point, many body effects start to appear due to dipole-dipole interaction and charge transfer (3 ppm of NV = 30 kHz dipole coupling between NV neighbors)

Basic example : Optically Detected Magnetic Resonance (ODMR)

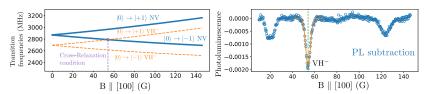


Modification of the spin T_1 due to resonant dipole coupling

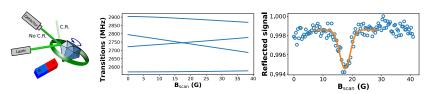


Other results with dense ensemble of spins

• Optical detection of dark spins :



• Mechanical detection of resonant dipolar coupling :



Conclusion

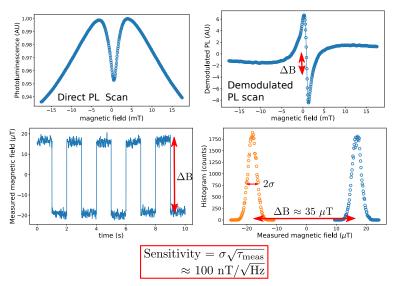
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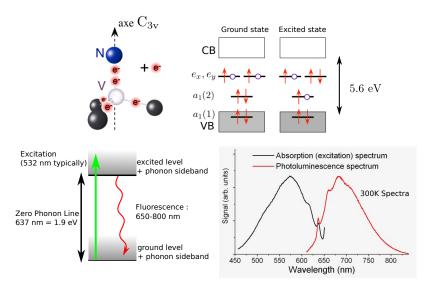
Take home messages

- NV centers are defects in diamond with an optically controllable and readable spin at room temperature
- Many body effects start to manifest with the new NV-rich samples being made

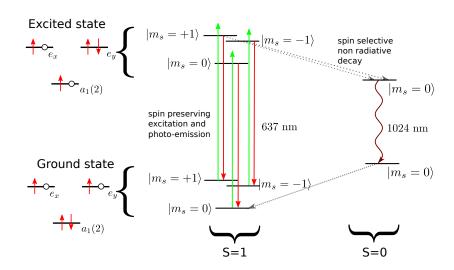
Bonus: Magnetometry in zero magnetic field



Optical properties of NV⁻ centers



NV⁻ center electronic structure



NV center spin sub-levels

