

# Spin Interactions in Ammonia and Method to Cross-check the Polarization

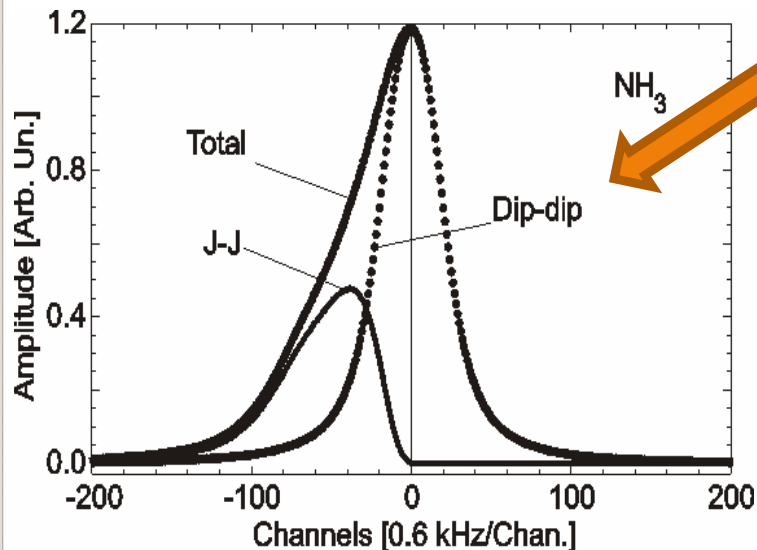
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We propose the ionising radiation as an universal way for the study of spin-spin interactions in solid dielectrics. Irradiated ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>) [W. Meyer, et al., NIM A 215 (1983) 65] is a good example illustrating this method.



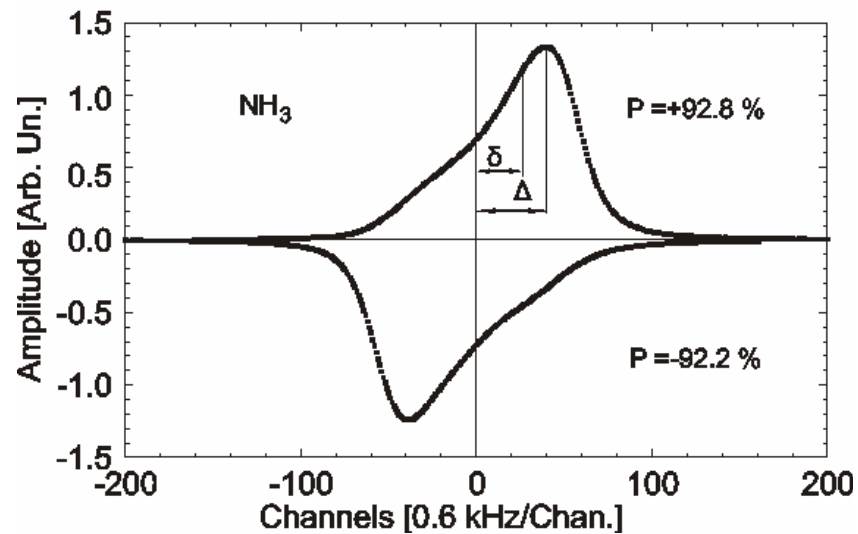
By our model – NH<sub>3</sub> line shape consists of :

1. The symmetrical part due to the dipole-dipole interactions between the protons and
2. The asymmetrical part due to the indirect interactions between N and 3xH nuclear spins through F-electron spins.

RUN-2007, COMPASS data, CERN, GENEVA.  
Field 2.5 T, T=0.1 K, P = +93 %.

At first we introduce the two consequences from this model.

Since the spectrum of DNP polarized protons incorporates also a mixture of nitrogen spectrum, their coupling effect can be detected directly on proton Larmor frequency!



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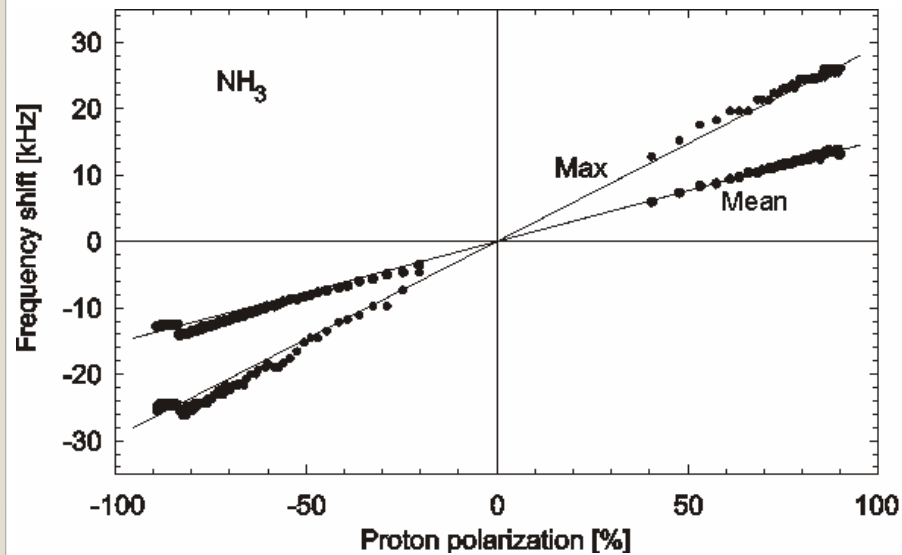
If  $\underline{\Omega}$  is the mean centre position:

$$\underline{\Omega} = \frac{\sum N_j \cdot A_j}{\sum A_j},$$

where  $N_j$  is the channel number and  $A_j$  is the j-spectrum amplitude.

Then due to the  $\delta$ - $\Omega$ -different shifts, the proton spectrum is spread during polarization.

This plot show the  $\delta$ -(Max) and  $\bar{\omega}$  (mean) shifts over proton polarization.



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**The first proposal :**

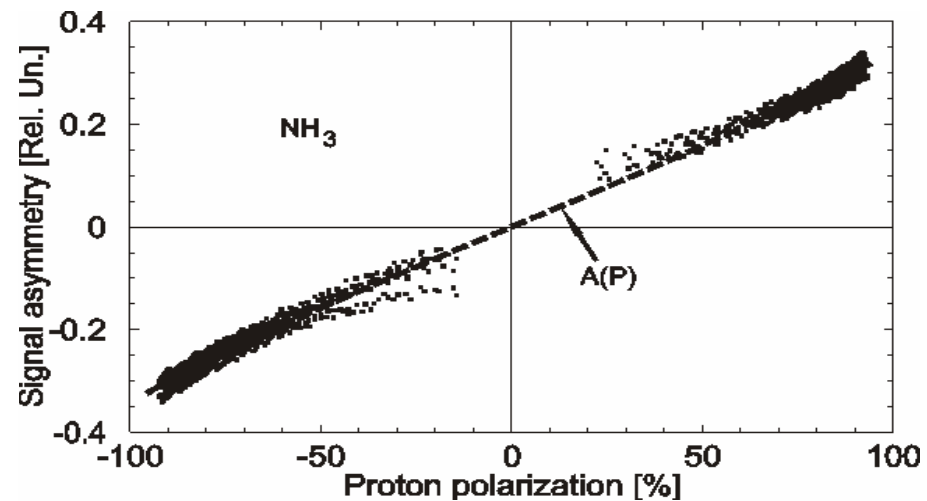


Using selective RF-saturation  
one can decouple spins to study  
their mutual spin interactions.

**This is a very power tool for quantitative searching of complicated  
spin interactions for example in bio-media!**

The asymmetrical part of proton signal repeats the asymmetry of the nitrogen spectrum.

Remarks: N-spins have a huge quadruple moment



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Our data do not contradict with proposed model of spin-spin interactions and we consider its application also for the polarized target technique.

## The method to cross-check polarization in the different NMR-probes

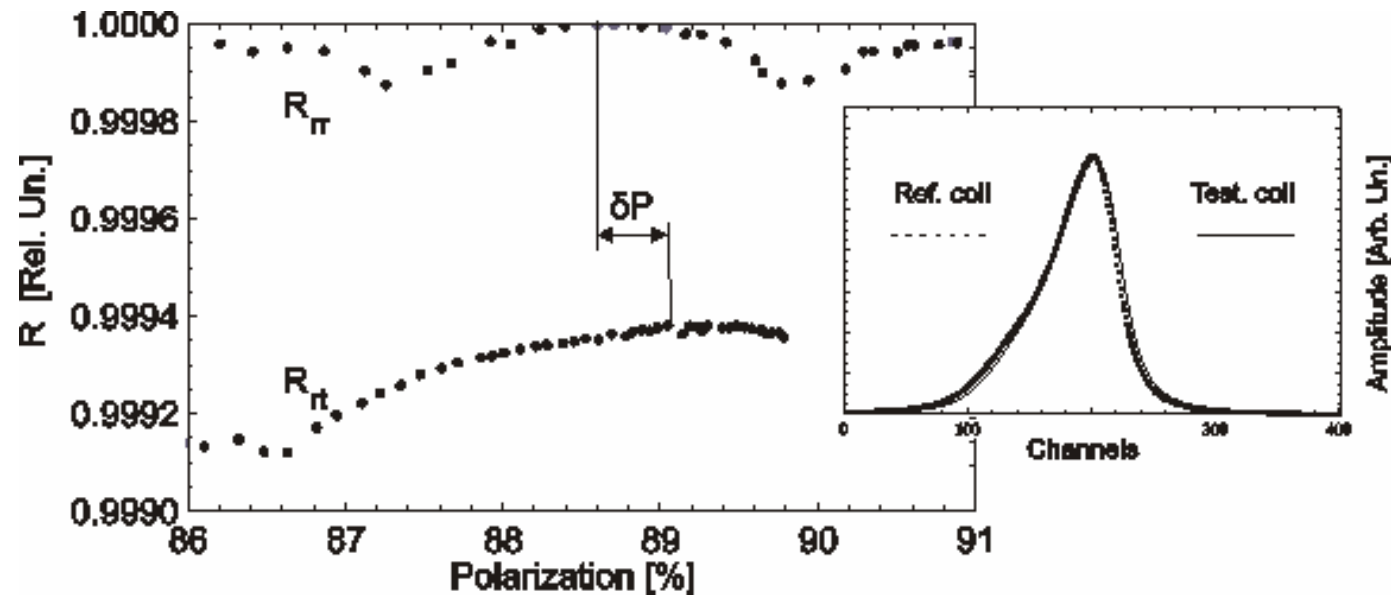
The long COMPASS target uses ten NMR probes for accurate spatial measurements of polarization. The best accuracy for the nuclear polarization is provided by the so-called integral method (TE-method).

Here we compare the NMR line shape asymmetries from different probes using the correlation coefficient between a reference spectrum and all other spectrum.

$$R = \frac{\sum (A_j - A) (B_j - B)}{\sqrt{\sum (A_j - A)^2 \sum (B_j - B)^2}} \quad [-1 \leq R \leq 1]$$

**Where:**  $A_j$  and  $B_j$  are spectral amplitudes in (1, 2, 3, .Nj...1000) channels;  
**A and B are their mean values.**

## The variation of correlation coefficient during built-up target polarization



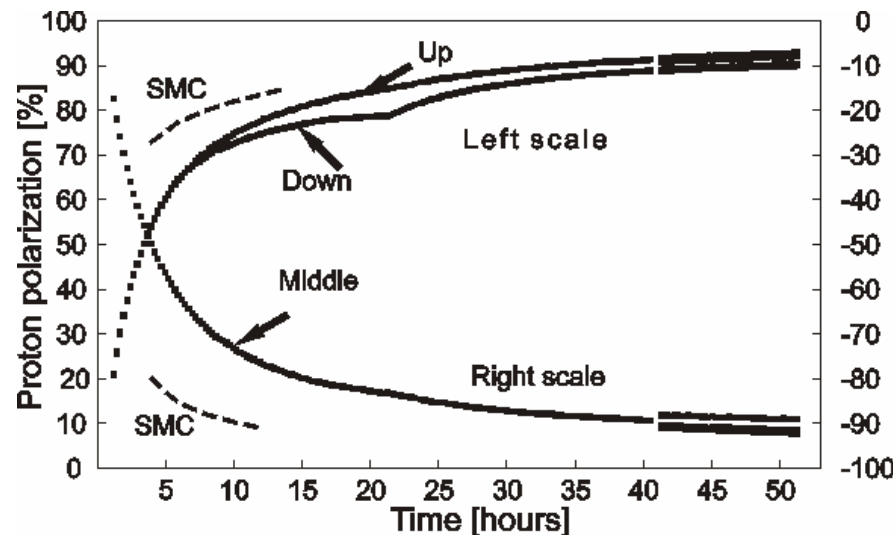
$R_{rr}$  – correlation between the reference and non reference spectra for the same probe;

$R_{rt}$  – the same reference spectrum but the different probe;

$\delta P$  – the difference between TE-polarizations and the maximum correlation coefficient.



Using correlations between signals, one can slightly correct TE-constants within their error-bars and finally this help us to improve the accuracy of the relative polarizations in the cells.



Dashed built-up curves have been obtained with **fresh** doped ammonia. Solid curves were obtained with the same material after 12 years stored in liquid N<sub>2</sub> with about half spin concentration of the fresh material.

The solid curves show the averaged built-up polarization in 2007 after the correction of TE-constant within their error-bars. This method enables self-consistent approximation between TE-polarizations and their maximum correlation coefficients.

## Summary

- 1. NMR line shape in NH<sub>3</sub> is formed by the proton dipole-dipole and indirect coupling between spin species in molecules.**
- 2. It was shown that F-electrons couple the spins allowing a very effective method for the study of their spin-spin interactions by spin decoupling in “frozen mode” at superlow temperatures.**
- 3. The method can be applied for the any solid dielectric including probably and bio-media.**
- 4. NMR line shape asymmetry in NH<sub>3</sub> can be used for “cross-checking” polarizations taken by different Q-meter probes. This allows the a fine correction of TE-constant within their error-bars , providing the final accuracy of  $\pm 1.5$  % for the proton polarizations.**