Calculations of NMR Shielding in Solids

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NMR Shielding



 Shielding of applied B-field leads to material dependent changes in transition energy

NMR Hamiltonian



Sources of Magnetic Shielding



Isotropic Shift

$$B_{ind}(\mathbf{R}) = B_{orb} + B_{spn}$$
 where

$$B_{orb} = -\overline{\sigma}_o(\mathbf{R})B_{ext}$$
$$B_{spn} = -\overline{\sigma}_s(\mathbf{R})B_{ext}$$

$$\overline{\sigma}(\mathbf{R}) = \overline{\sigma_o}(\mathbf{R}) + \overline{\sigma_s}(\mathbf{R})$$
$$\sigma(\mathbf{R}) = \frac{1}{3}Tr[\overline{\sigma}(\mathbf{R})]$$
$$\delta(ppm) = (\sigma_{ref} - \sigma) \times 10^6$$

shielding tensor at nucleus *R*

isotropic shielding

isotropic shift

Orbital Component of NMR Shielding

Orbital Shielding

 The induced magnetic field *B*_{orb} is derived from induced current *j* using the Biot-Savart law

$$B_{orb}(r) = \frac{1}{c} \int j(r') \times \frac{r - r'}{|r - r'|^3} d^3r'$$

• Current *j*(*r*) comes from DFT:

$$j(r') = \sum_{o} \langle \Psi_{o} | J(r') | \Psi_{o} \rangle$$

• Eigenstates $|\Psi_o\rangle$ are obtained in presence of B-field

$$p \rightarrow p + A(r')$$
 where $A(r) = \frac{1}{2}B \times (r - d)$ (symmetric gauge)
 $H^{(1)} = \frac{1}{2c}L \cdot B = \frac{1}{2c}r \times p.B$
ill defined for extended systems

- Linear response theory
- Wavefunction in first-order perturbation

$$\begin{split} |\Psi_o\rangle &= \left|\Psi_o^{(0)}\right\rangle + \left|\Psi_o^{(1)}\right\rangle \\ |\Psi_o^{(1)}\rangle &= \sum_e |\Psi_e^{(0)}\rangle \frac{\langle \Psi_e^{(0)} | H^{(1)} | \Psi_o^{(0)}\rangle}{\epsilon_{\rm o} - \epsilon_e} \end{split}$$

Periodic Symmetry

$$\mathbf{r} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{u}}_i = \lim_{q \to 0} \frac{1}{2q} \left(e^{iq\hat{\mathbf{u}}_i \cdot \mathbf{r}} - e^{-iq\hat{\mathbf{u}}_i \cdot \mathbf{r}} \right)$$

- *H*⁽¹⁾ couples *k* and *k*±*q* states
- Eigenfunctions have to be computed on k-meshes shifted by ±*q* for small q

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APW (WIEN2k) Basis Set



LAPW plane waves

$$\phi_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{G}}^{LAPW}(\mathbf{r}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Omega}} e^{i(\mathbf{G}+\mathbf{k})\cdot\mathbf{r}}, & \mathbf{r} \in I\\ \sum_{l,m} \left[A_{l,m}^{\alpha,\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{G}} u_l^{\alpha}(r, E_l) \\ + B_{l,m}^{\alpha,\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{G}} \dot{u}_l^{\alpha}(r, E_l) \right] Y_{l,m}(\hat{r}), & \mathbf{r} \in S_{\alpha} \end{cases}$$

Local orbitals

$$\phi_{l,m,\mathbf{k}}^{LO,\alpha,i}(\mathbf{r}) = \begin{cases} 0, & \mathbf{r} \in I \\ \begin{bmatrix} A_{l,m}^{i,\alpha,\mathbf{k}} u_l^{\alpha}(r, E_l) + B_{l,m}^{i,\alpha,\mathbf{k}} \dot{u}_l^{\alpha}(r, E_l) \\ + C_{l,m}^{i,\alpha,\mathbf{k}} u_l^{\alpha,i}(r, E_l^i) \end{bmatrix} Y_{l,m}(\hat{r}), & \mathbf{r} \in S_{\alpha} \end{cases}$$

Wave function

$$\Psi_{n,\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Omega}} \sum_{\mathbf{G}} C_G^n e^{i(\mathbf{G}+\mathbf{k})\cdot\mathbf{r}}, & \mathbf{r} \in I\\ \sum_{l,m} W_{l,m}^{n,\alpha,\mathbf{k}}(r) Y_{l,m}(\hat{r}), & \mathbf{r} \in S_{\alpha} \end{cases}$$

Augmenting the APW Basis Set

 APW basis is perfect only for states with eigen energy close to linearization energy

- to remedy this we include extended set of local orbitals (NMR LO)



- NMR LO has has node at the sphere boundary
- Number of nodes increase by one in subsequent LO

 APW does not include directly radial derivative of u(r) which results in slow convergence with respect to number of NMR LO
 Adding r*du/dr radial functions to the basis helps

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_{l,k}(r,\tilde{\epsilon}) &= \begin{cases} r\frac{d}{dr}u_{l+1}(r,\tilde{\epsilon}) + (l+2)u_{l+1}(r,\tilde{\epsilon}), & k = 1\\ r\frac{d}{dr}u_{l-1}(r,\tilde{\epsilon}) - (l-1)u_{l-1}(r,\tilde{\epsilon}), & k = 2 \end{cases}\\ \tilde{u}_{l,k}(r) &= \xi_{l,k}(r,\tilde{\epsilon}) - \sum_{i} b_{l,k,i}u_{l,i}(r), \\ |\phi_{lm,k}\rangle &= \tilde{u}_{l,k}(r)Y_{lm} \\ \mathcal{G}(\epsilon_{i}) &= \sum_{e} \frac{|\Psi_{e}^{(0)}\rangle\langle\Psi_{e}^{(0)}|}{\epsilon_{i} - \epsilon_{e}} + \sum_{k} \frac{|\phi_{k}\rangle\langle\phi_{k}|}{\langle\phi_{k}|(\epsilon_{i} - H)|\phi_{k}\rangle} \end{aligned}$$

Core Contributions

 Core states are covered by a separate eigenvalue problem, contribution is purely diamagnetic:

$$\mathbf{j}_{ind}(\mathbf{r}') = -\frac{1}{2c}\rho_{core}(\mathbf{r}')\mathbf{B}\times\mathbf{r}'$$

 Separate treatment of core and valence orbitals introduces some errors, corrected by:

$$\begin{aligned} |\Psi_{o}^{(1)}\rangle &= \sum_{e} |\Psi_{e}^{(0)}\rangle \frac{\langle \Psi_{e}^{(0)} | H^{(1)} | \Psi_{o}^{(0)} \rangle}{\epsilon_{o} - \epsilon_{e}} \\ &+ \sum_{core} |\Psi_{core}^{(0)}\rangle \frac{\langle \Psi_{core}^{(0)} | H^{(1)} | \Psi_{o}^{(0)} \rangle}{\epsilon_{o} - \epsilon_{core}} \leftarrow \text{Correction} \end{aligned}$$

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Benchmark: Spherical Ar Atom



- 1) run SCF calculation
- 2) prepare case.in1_nmr (add NMR LO): x_nmr -mode in1 (-focus, -nodes)
- 3) run <u>x_nmr</u>

Master script: x_nmr [options]

x_nmr -h prints help
x_nmr -p run parallel using .machines

case.in1_nmr

- WFFIL EF=.533144859350 (WFFIL, WFPRI, ENFIL, SUPWF)
- 7.00 10 4 (R-MT*K-MAX; MAX L IN WF, V-NMT
- 0.30 19 0 (GLOBAL E-PARAMETER WITH n
- 0 -0.58576 0.002 CONT 1
- 0 4.80000 0.000 CONT 1
- 0 36.60000 0.000 CONT 1
- 0 66.66000 0.000 CONT 1
- 0 104.26000 0.000 CONT 1
- 0 149.26000 0.000 CONT 1
- 0 201.50000 0.000 CONT 1
- ...

x_nmr (work flow)

prepare case.in1 x_nmr -mode in1

executes: *lapw1* at +/- **q** results in: ./nmr_q0, ./nmr_mqx, ./nmr_pqx

- ./nmr_mqy, ./nmr_pqy./nmr_mqz,
- ./nmr_pqz
 - x_nmr -mode lapw1

integrates the Biot-Savart law and computes the shielding

x_nmr -mode integ

computes induced current

x_nmr -mode current

executes *x lapw2* -fermi in ./nmr_xxx (weights)

x_nmr -mode lapw2

executes *x lcore* (core wave-functions)

x_nmr -mode lcore

output

- case.outputnmr_"mode"
- Final results (shielding tensor, trace, anisotropy, ...)

case.outputnmr_integ

 :NMRTOT001 ATOM:
 Ba1 1 NMR(total/ppm) Sigma-ISO = 5384.00
 Sigma_xx = 5474.82 Sigma_yy = 5385.93 Sigma_zz = 5291.24

 :NMRASY001 ATOM:
 Ba1 1 NMR(total/ppm) ANISO (delta-sigma) = -139.13 ASYM (eta) = 0.958 SPAN = 183.57 SKEW =-0.032

 :NMRTOT002 ATOM:
 S1 2 NMR(total/ppm) Sigma-ISO = 111.31 Sigma_xx = 85.34 Sigma_yy = 107.93 Sigma_zz = 140.67

 :NMRASY002 ATOM:
 S1 2 NMR(total/ppm) ANISO (delta-sigma) = 44.03 ASYM (eta) = 0.770 SPAN = 55.33 SKEW = 0.183

x_nmr - important options

x_nmr -h

x_nmr -mode *mode _id*

x_nmr -initonly

x_nmr -noinit

x_nmr -p

x_nmr -scratch *dir*

x_nmr -quota *numk*

executes particular mode only lapw1, lapw2, lcore only current, integ

scratch

band wise analysis

x_nmr -emin *e1* -emax *e2*

 character analysis (s,p,d) of the wave functions of occupied and empty states

$$\mathbf{x}_{nmr} - \text{filt}_{curr_o} a tom I \qquad \mathbf{x}_{nmr} - \text{filt}_{curr_fop} a tom I$$
$$\mathbf{j}_{ind}(\mathbf{r}') = \frac{1}{c} \sum_{o} Re \left[\langle \Psi_o^{(0)} | \mathbf{J}^0(\mathbf{r}') | \tilde{\Psi}_o^{(1)} \rangle \right]$$
$$\mathbf{x}_{nmr} - \text{filt}_{cxyz_q} a tom I \qquad \mathbf{x}_{nmr} - \text{filt}_{cxyz_o} a tom I$$
$$|\tilde{\Psi}_o^{(1)}\rangle = \sum_{o} |\Psi_e^{(0)}\rangle \frac{\langle \Psi_e^{(0)} | [(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \times \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{B}] | \Psi_o^{(0)} \rangle}{\epsilon_o - \epsilon_e}$$

Origin of Shielding in Fluorides





NMR shielding at fluorine nucleus in alkali fluoride series for different couplings

Schematic diagram representing major couplings contributing to NMR shielding

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Results



Correlation of calculated NMR shielding vs measured chemical shifts for inorganic sulphides (left) and sulphates (right)

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Spin Component of NMR Shielding

Spin Shielding (Knight Shifts)



• **B**_{ext} cast as potential acting only on spins

Compute *m*(*r*) from self-consistent DFT

$$\mathbf{B}_{\rm hf} = \frac{8\pi}{3} \mathbf{m}_{\rm av} + \int \frac{S(r)}{r^3} [3(\mathbf{m}(r)\hat{r})\hat{r} - \mathbf{m}(r)] d^3r$$

contact term dipole term

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Calculation for Contact Term

1) Spin-polarized calculation with **zero** moment

- *instgen -nm* # generate nonmagnetic atomic configurations
- *init_lapw -sp -fermit 0.004 -numk XXX ... #* initialization
- runsp_c_lapw -c 0.00001 [-p] ... # run scf with zero moment

2) Copy input file specifying 100T field

• cp \$WIENROOT/SRC templates/case.vorbup(dn)_100T case.vorbup(dn)

3) SCF calculation with external magnetic field

- runsp_lapw -orbc -cc 0.000001 [-p] ... # scf calculation
- grepline :HFF0XX case.scf # get the hyperfine field

:*HFF0XX* is contact hyperfine field in kGauss $\sigma_c[ppm] = -HFF * 1000$ for $B_{ext} = 100T$



Calculation for Spin Dipolar Term

After getting self-consistent density in B-field:

- cp \$WIENROOT/SRC templates/case.indm case.indm
- Set last line of *case.indm* (r-index, (I,s)index) to "3 5"
- x lapwdm -up/dn ...
- Find difference of total :XOP0xx values in *case.scfdmup/dn* files

$$\sigma_{sd}[ppm] = -(XOP_{up} - XOP_{dn}) * 10000$$
 for $B_{ext} = 100T$

Results



Correlation of measured vs calculated NMR shifts for various metallic elements

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Conventional Wisdom on Spin Shielding



- Spin Shielding is thought to be:
- Only paramagnetic
- Only valence contributions (frozen core)
- -Absent in insulators
- -Linear response is sufficient

Our work shows above assumptions are not always true (however good for sp-metals)

Core Polarization Effects



- Fully occupied states (including semicore and core) also contribute to $\sigma_{\rm c}$
- σ_c can also have diamagnetic contributions

Contact Contribution for MGa_n



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- Diamagnetic contribution of semicore states to $\sigma_{\rm c}$ increased after self-consistency
- Core/semicore contribution to σ_c scales with *d*-partial DOS at ϵ_F

Core Spin Shielding for ScTT'Al Heusler Alloys



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Thank you for your attention !!