



Optical storage and (RF-) dynamical decoupling in Pr³⁺:La₂(WO₄)₃

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System and motivation

 $Pr^{3+}:La_2(WO_4)_3$



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Can apply control operation to system only -> DD sequence(s)





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Quite promising:

___B=0mT, Hahn–Echo T₂=0.22ms

_B=(1.8, 8, 0)mT, Hahn–Echo T₂=1.5ms

- B=0mT: up to \approx 300 fold increase

B=(1.8, 8, 0)mT, PDD, t_{π} =4 μ s, T₂(τ =300 μ s)=57 ms

B=(1.8, 8, 0)mT, PDD, t_{π} =1.5 μ s, T₂(τ =80 μ s)=400 ms

B=(1.8, 8, 0)mT, KDD, t_{π} =1.5µs, T₂(τ =160µs)=22 ms

B=(1.8, 8, 0)mT, CPMG, $t_{\pi}=1.5\mu s$, $T_{2}(\tau=80\mu s)=348 ms$

- B \approx 10mT: up to \approx 230-300 fold increase

But:

 10^{3}

- quite some parameters to optimize (pulse-length/separation, B...)
- KDD not as good as expected ($B \neq 0 mT$?)



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RF pulse separation τ [µs]

10²

10¹

10⁰

 10^{-1}

10

Hyperfine DD-T₂ [ms]



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... simple, poor efficiency, just want to have some stored "optical" coherence...

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- same conditions (RF, B=0mT, ...) but DD significantly less efficient !? - similar for all tested DD sequences (best achieved so far $T_2 \approx 4$ ms)

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