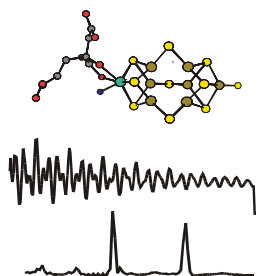


# *EPR of Transition Metal Ions*

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*Applications of EPR for Bioinorganic Researches*

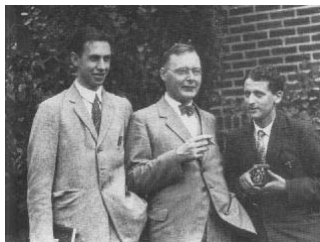


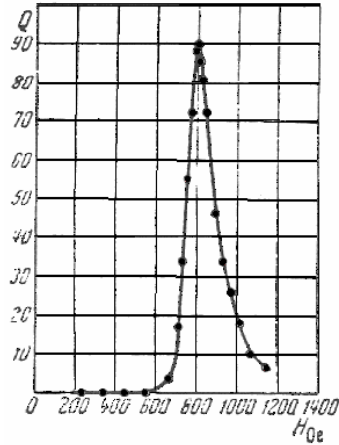
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*"But don't you see what this implies? It means that there is a fourth degree of freedom for the electron. It means that **the electron has spin, that it rotates.**"*

*- George Uhlenbeck to Samuel Goudsmit in 1925 on hearing of the Pauli principle -*





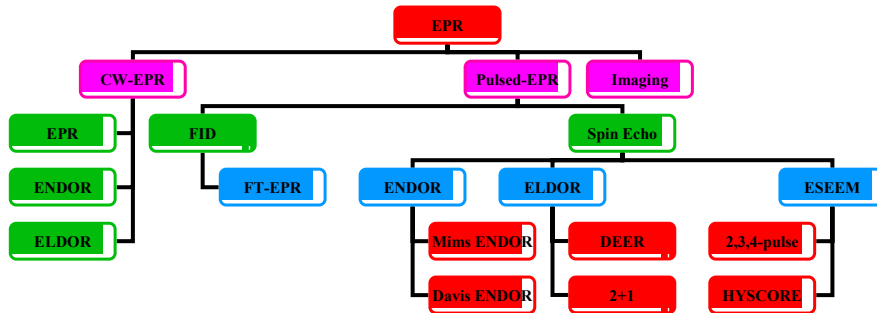
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## *Applications*

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*Anthropology, Archeology, [Biochemistry](#), Biology, [Chemical Reactions](#), Clusters, Colloids, Coal, Dating, Dosimetry, Electrochemistry, EPR Imaging, Excitons, Ferromagnets, Forensic Science, Gases, Gemmology, Geography, Geology, Glass, History, Inorganic Radicals, Materials Science, Medicine, Metal Atom Chemistry, [Metalloproteins](#), Microscopy, Mineralogy, Organic Radicals, Organometallic Radicals, Paleontology, Photochemistry, Photosynthesis, Point Defects, Polymers, Preservation Science, Quantum Mechanics, Radiation Damage, Semiconductors, Spin Labels, Spin Traps, [Transition Metals](#), Zoology*

# EPR Methodologies



*These are just scratches of modern EPR techniques.*

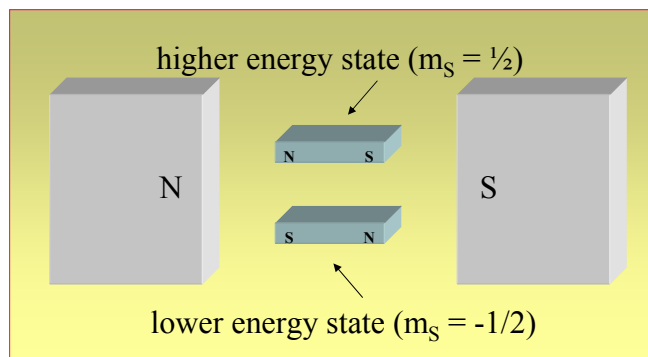
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Electron Paramagnetic Resonance (EPR)

Electron Spin Resonance (ESR)

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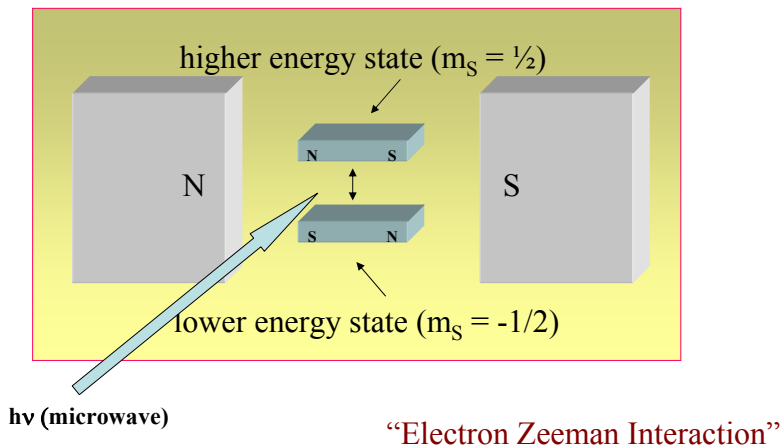
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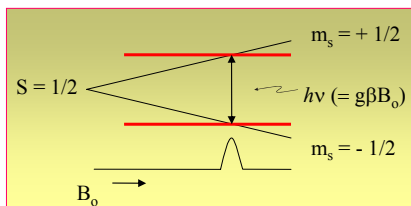
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EPR is the resonant absorption of microwave radiation by paramagnetic systems in the presence of an applied magnetic field.



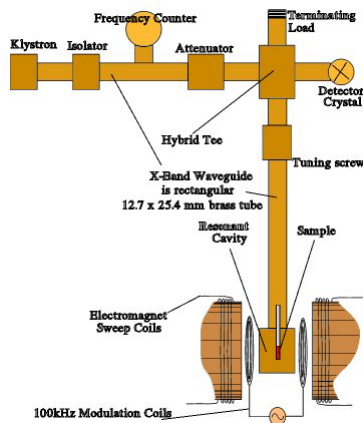
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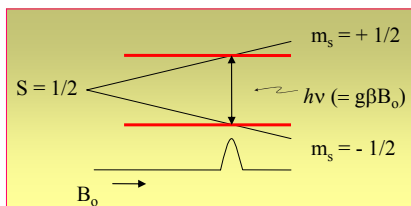
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Conventional CW EPR spectrometer Arrangement

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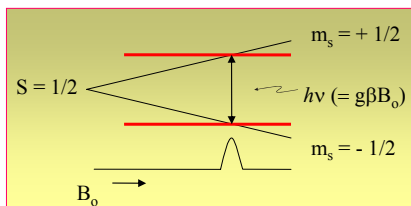
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Bruker EMX EPR spectrometer

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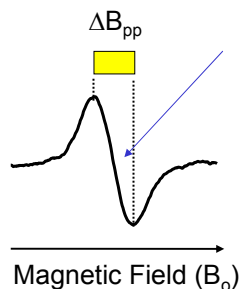
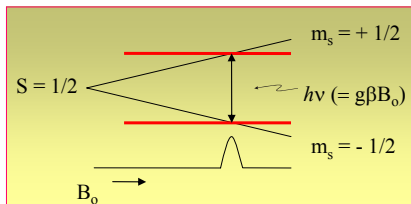
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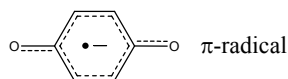
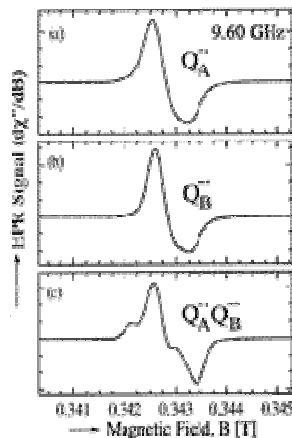
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It is an inherent property of a system containing an unpaired spin.

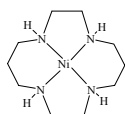
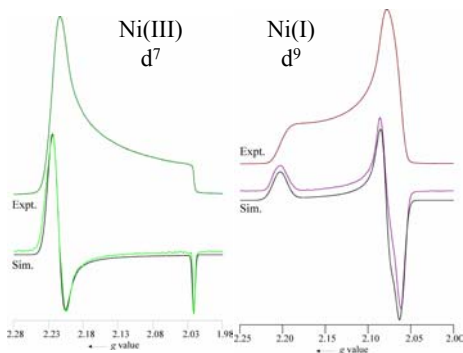
Similar to the **chemical shift** observed in an NMR spectrum.

The  $g$  value for a single unpaired electron (**free electron**) has been calculated and experimentally determined. It is  $2.0023192778 \pm 0.000000062 (= g_e)$ . *The  $g$  value for an  $S = 1/2$  system is usually near  $g_e$ , but it is not exactly at  $g_e$ . Why not?*

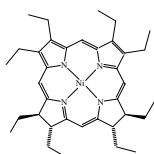
This is due to **spin orbit** coupling which determines both the value of  **$g$  and its anisotropy** (how far the 3  $g$  values are from  $g_{av}$ ). *The  $g$  value can often be calculated and the value is characteristic for a particular spin system.*



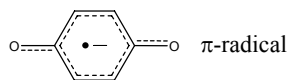
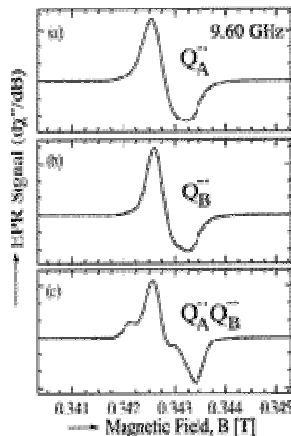
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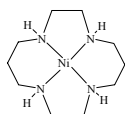
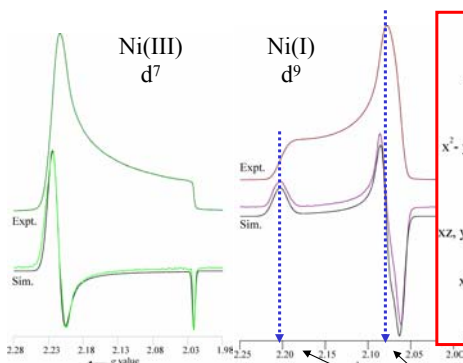


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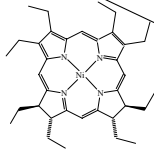


$\pi$ -radical

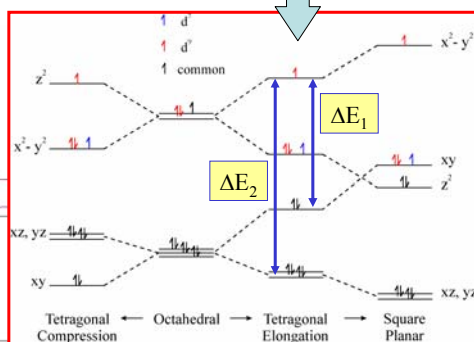
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MO Scheme for Low-Spin  $d^{7,9}$  Complexes

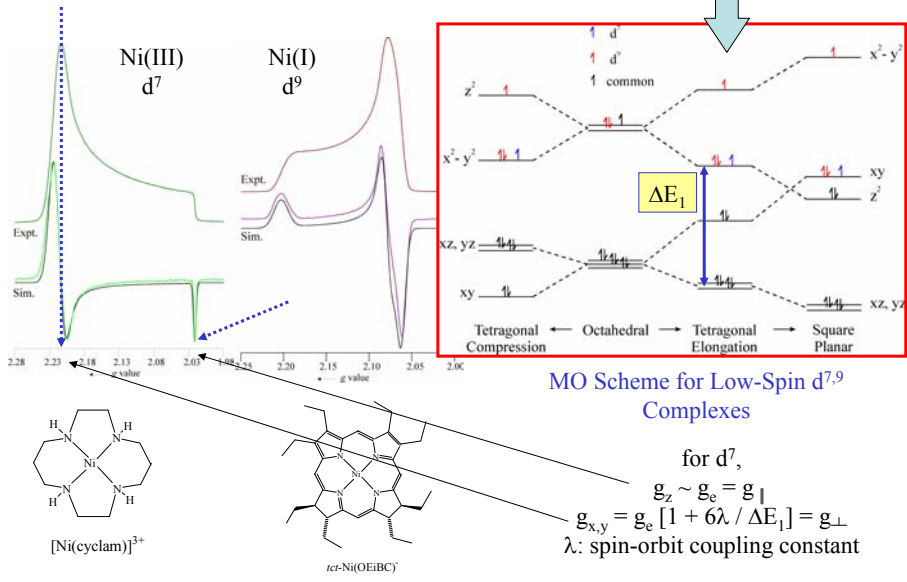
for  $d^9$ ,

$$g_z = g_e [1 + 8\lambda / \Delta E_1] = g_{\parallel}$$

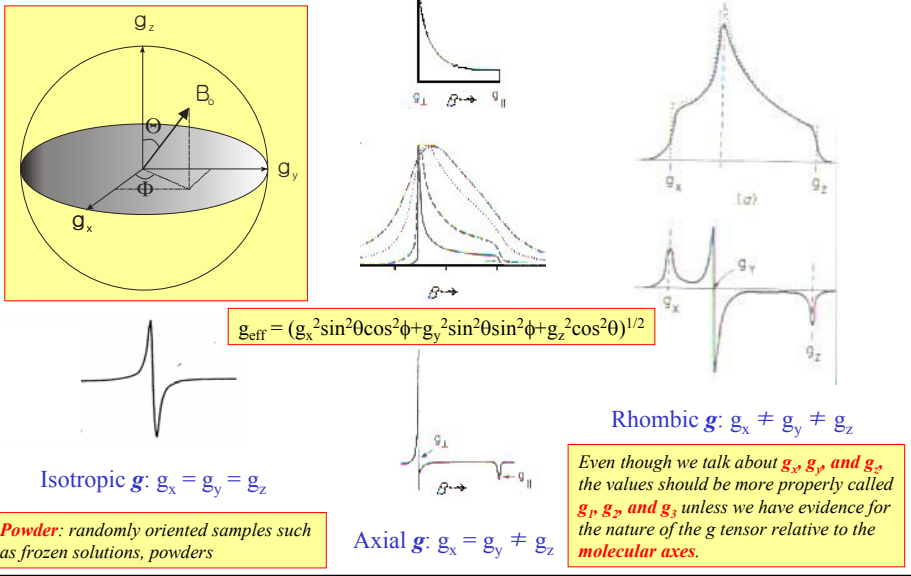
$$g_{x,y} = g_e [1 + 2\lambda / \Delta E_2] = g_{\perp}$$

$\lambda$ : spin-orbit coupling constant

# What is g ?

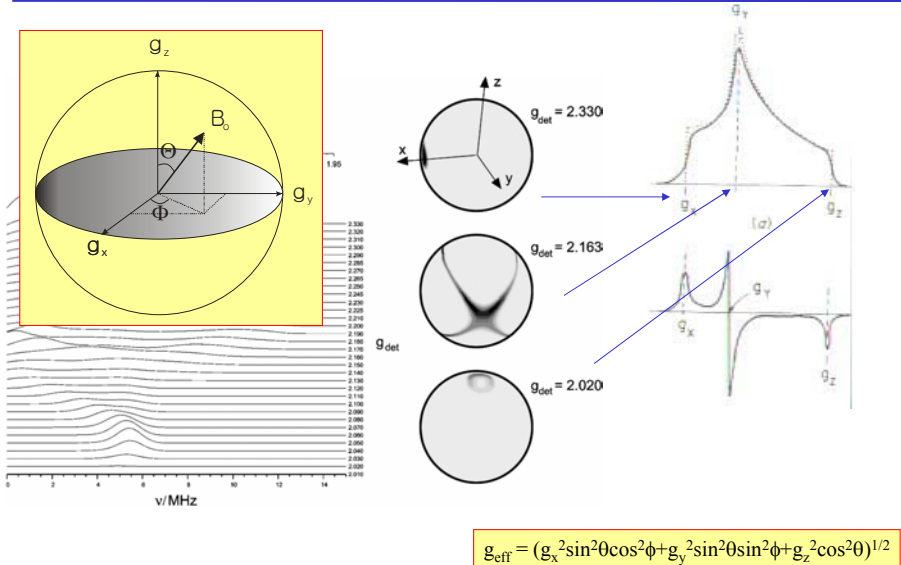


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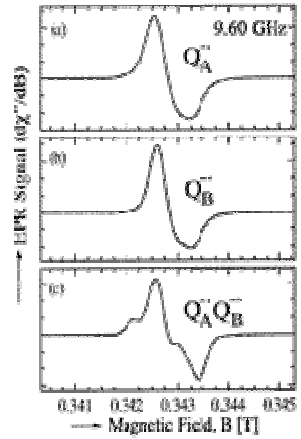
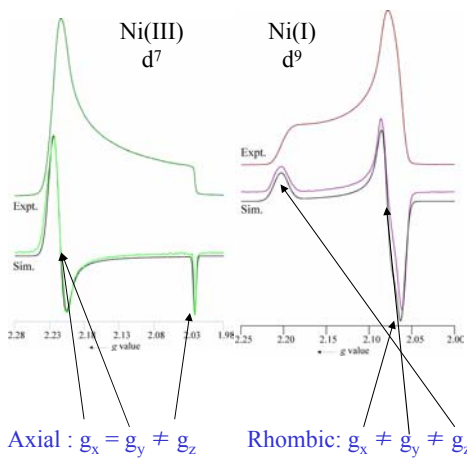




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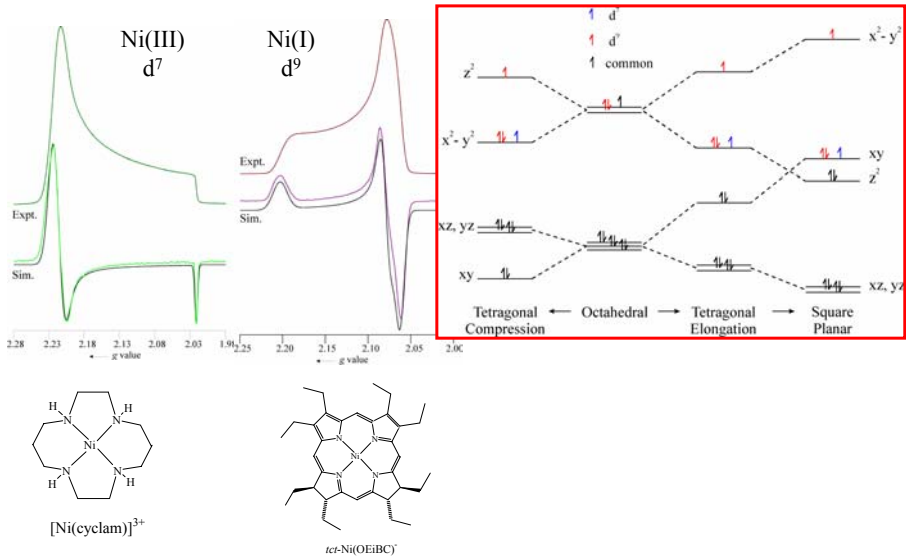


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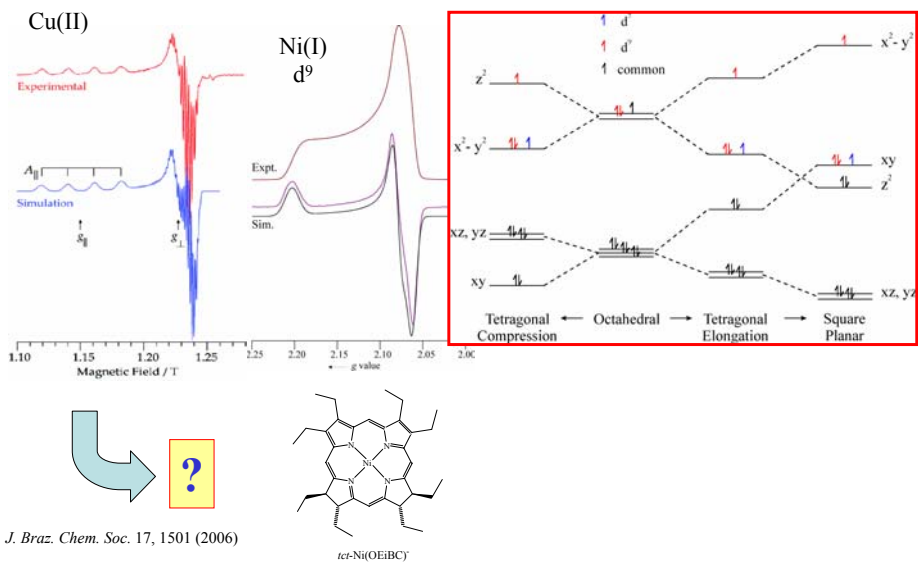


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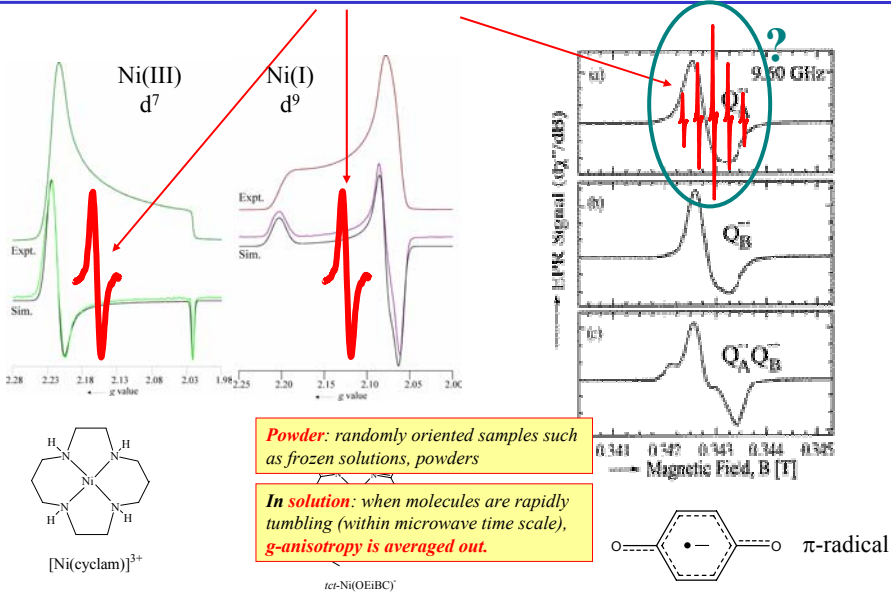
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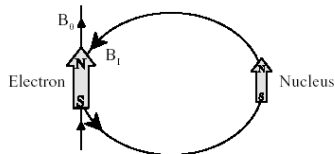
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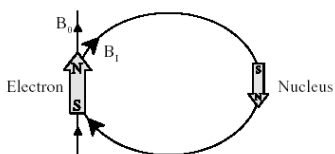
# Solution EPR



# Electron spin – Nuclear spin Interaction



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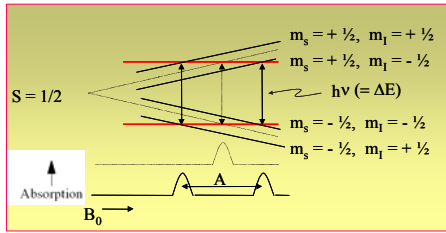


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Isotope	Nuclear Spin ( $I$ )	% Abundance
$^1\text{H}$	1/2	99.9
$^2\text{H}$	1	0.02
$^{12}\text{C}$	0	98.9
$^{13}\text{C}$	1/2	1.1
$^{14}\text{N}$	1	99.6
$^{15}\text{N}$	1/2	0.37
$^{16}\text{O}$	0	99.8
$^{17}\text{O}$	5/2	0.037
$^{32}\text{S}$	0	95.0
$^{33}\text{S}$	3/2	0.76
$^{51}\text{V}$	7/2	99.8
$^{55}\text{Mn}$	5/2	100
$^{56}\text{Fe}$	0	91.7
$^{57}\text{Fe}$	1/2	2.19
$^{59}\text{Co}$	7/2	100
$^{58}\text{Ni}$ & $^{60}\text{Ni}$	0	68 & 26
$^{61}\text{Ni}$	3/2	1.19
$^{63}\text{Cu}$ & $^{65}\text{Cu}$	3/2	69 & 31
$^{95}\text{Mo}$ & $^{97}\text{Mo}$	5/2	16 & 9
$^{183}\text{W}$	1/2	14.4

“Hyperfine Interaction”

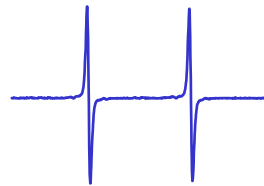
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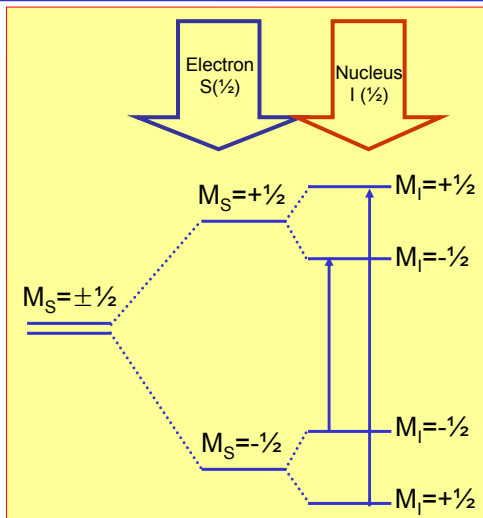
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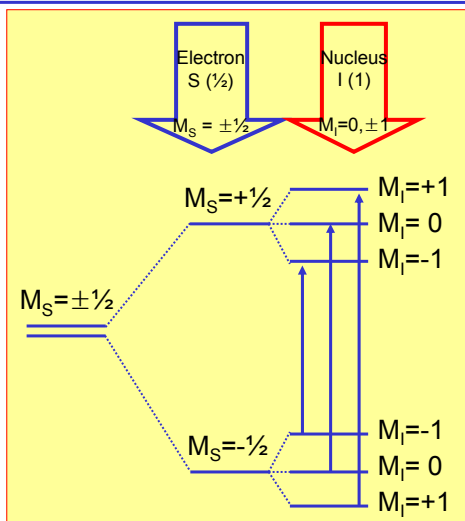
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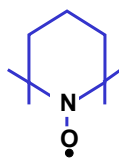
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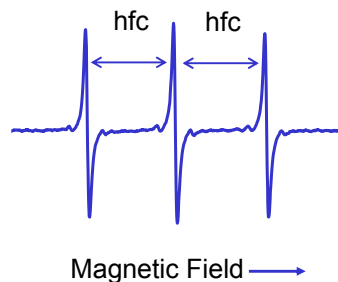
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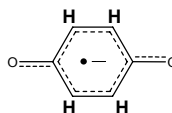
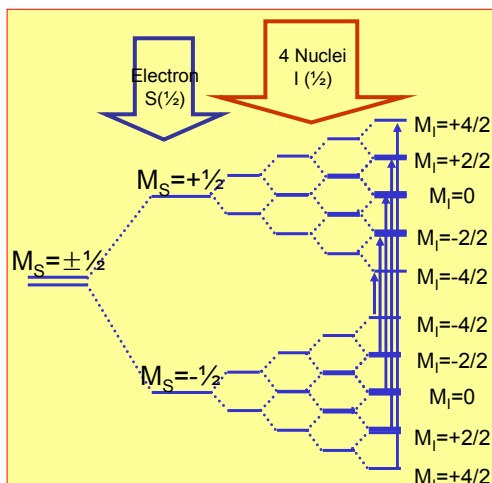


$S = 1/2$ ;  
 $I = 1$   
 Triplet

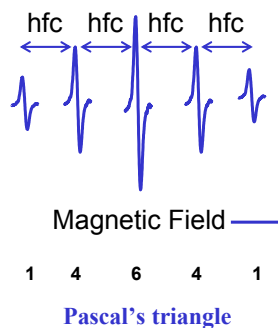


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$S = 1/2$ ;  
 $I = 1/2 \times 4$   
 Quintet



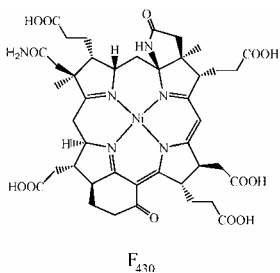
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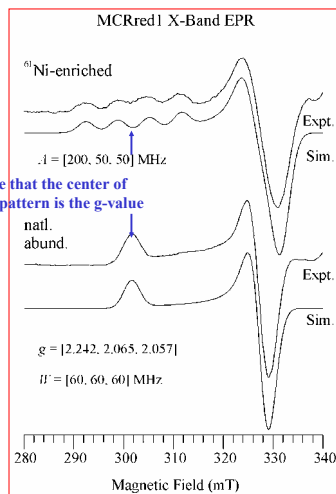
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For  $^{61}\text{Ni}$ ,  $I = 3/2$ , so you expect (and see) 4 lines.

But the hyperfine splitting is unresolved in the  $g_{\perp}$  direction.

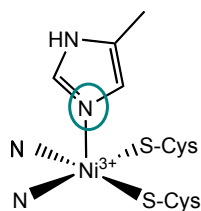
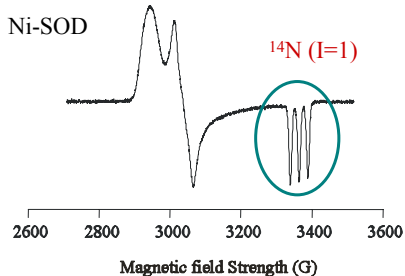
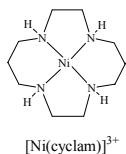
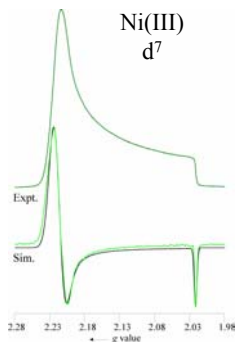


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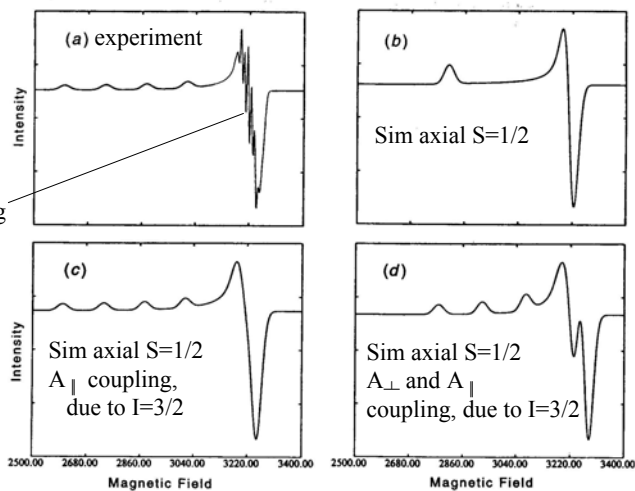
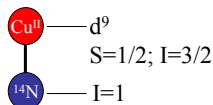
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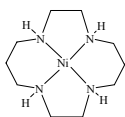
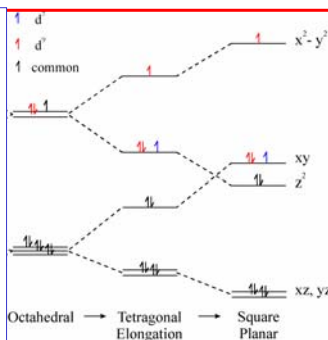
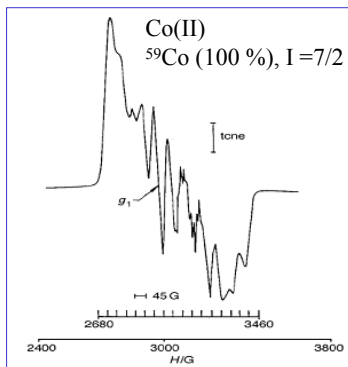
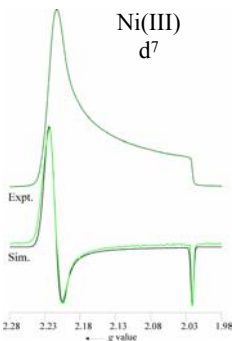
$^{63}\text{Cu}$  (69 %),  $I = 3/2$   
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Superhyperfine Splitting

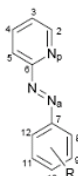


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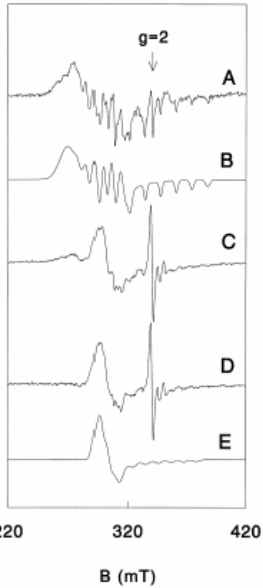
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$[\text{Ni}(\text{cyclam})]^{3+}$



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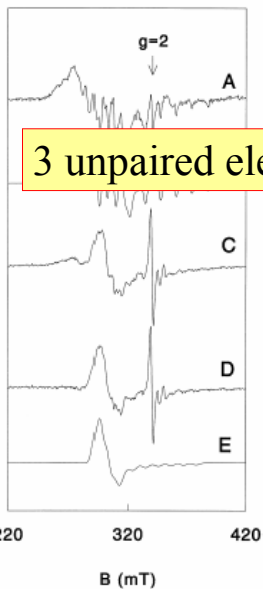
C : spectrum of enzyme in 125mM ches buffer, pH 9.6, poised at redox potential of -293mV.

D : C-A spectrum

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3 unpaired electrons ?

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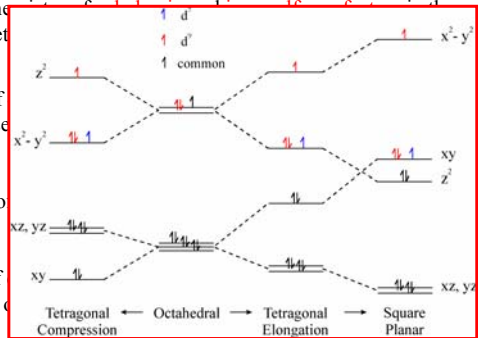
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## Electron spin – Electron spin Interaction

When there is **more than one unpaired electron ( $S > 1/2$ )**, the interaction between the spins must be considered. This term can be very large. The Hamiltonian for a system with a spin  $> 1/2$  is:  $H = D [S_z^2 - 1/3 S(S+1)] + E/D (S_x^2 - S_y^2) + g_o \beta S H$

The new terms are  $D$  and  $E/D$ .  $D$  is called the **zero-field splitting (ZFS) parameter**;  $E/D$  is the **rhombicity** (the ratio between  $D$ , the axial splitting parameter, and  $E$ , the rhombic splitting parameter, at zero field). The minimum value of  $E/D$  is 0 for an axial system. The maximum value is 1/2 for a rhombic system. The strength of the ZFS is determined by the nature of the ligands.

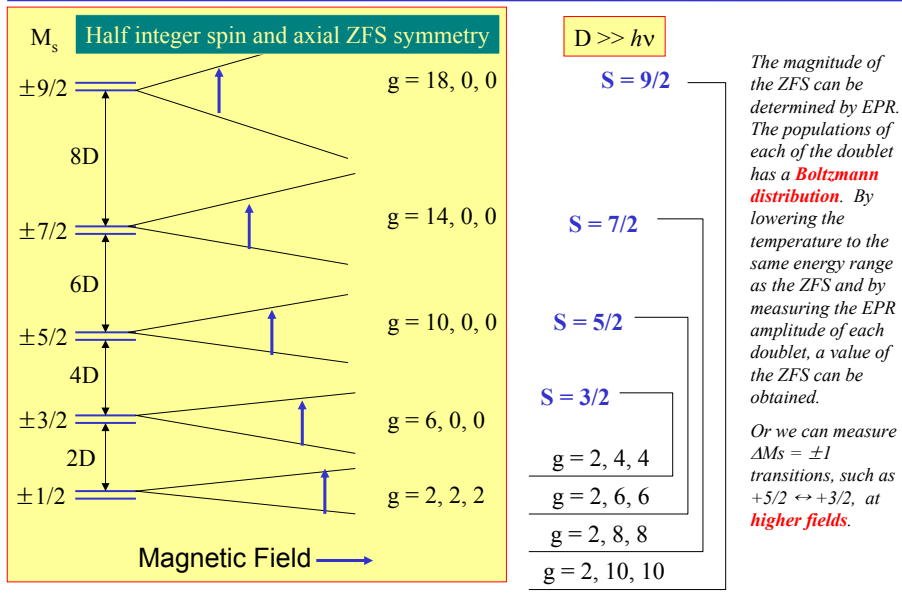
So for a completely axial system ( $E/D = 0$ ),  $H = D [S_z^2 - 1/3 S(S+1)] + g_o \beta S H$

Consider a case where  $S = 3/2$ , i.e., 4 unpaired electrons. These spins can interact to give a total spin moment, referred to as a system spin. There will be four sublevels for  $m_s$ , where  $S_z = -3/2, -1/2, 1/2, \text{ and } 3/2$ .

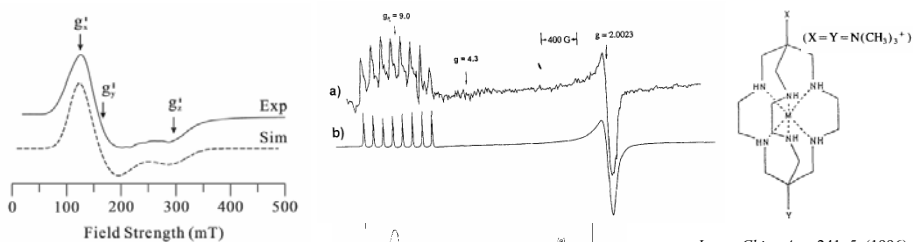
The energy for the + or -3/2 level will be:  $D[9/4 - 1/3(3/2 * 5/2)] = D[9/4 - 5/4] = D$

The energy for the + or - 1/2 level will be:  $-D$ .

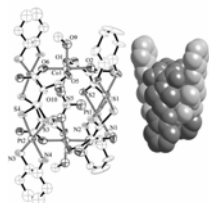
## Electron spin – Electron spin Interaction



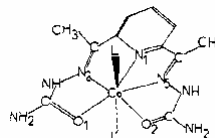
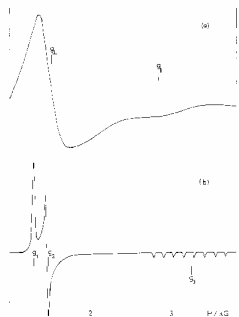
## EPR of $\text{Co(II)}$ ( $S = 3/2, d^7$ )



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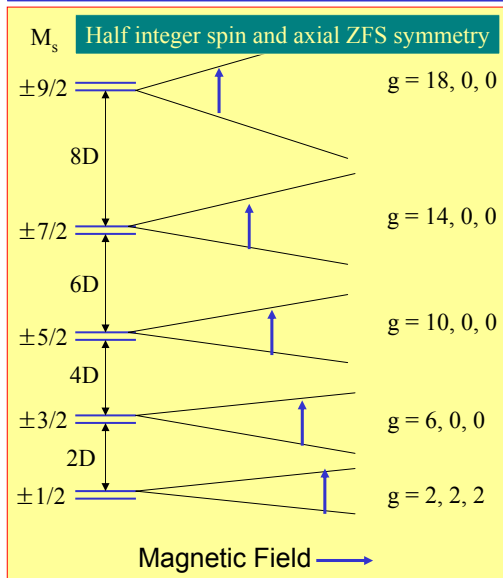
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Figure 2. Polycrystalline powder EPR spectra recorded at X-band frequency at 4.2 K: (a)  $[\text{Co}(\text{DAPSC})(\text{Cl})\text{H}_2\text{O}]\text{Cl}\cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , (b)  $[\text{Co}_2\text{Zn}(\text{DAPSC})_2(\text{Cl})\text{H}_2\text{O}]\text{Cl}\cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .

## EPR of $\text{Fe(III)}$ ( $S = 5/2, d^5$ )



$D \gg h\nu$

$S = 9/2$

$S = 7/2$

$S = 5/2$

$S = 3/2$

$g = 2, 4, 4$

$g = 2, 6, 6$

$g = 2, 8, 8$

$g = 2, 10, 10$

The magnitude of the ZFS can be determined by EPR. The populations of each of the doublet has a **Boltzmann distribution**. By lowering the temperature to the same energy range as the ZFS and by measuring the EPR amplitude of each doublet, a value of the ZFS can be obtained.

Or we can measure  $\Delta M_s = \pm 1$  transitions, such as  $+5/2 \leftrightarrow +3/2$ , at **higher fields**.

# EPR of Fe(III) ( $S = 5/2, d^5$ )

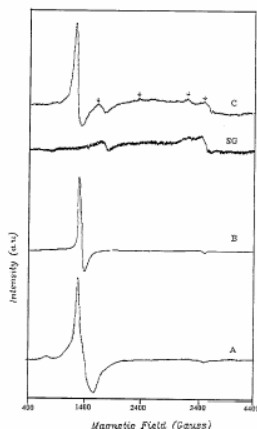
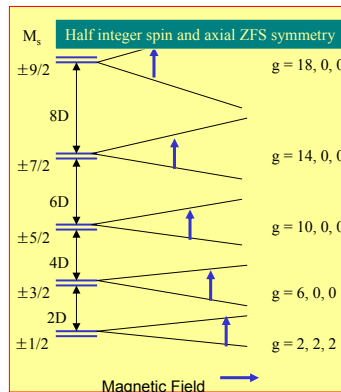


Fig. 4. EPR spectra of (A) Fe(TDCPP)Cl (100 mL,  $8.6 \times 10^{-4}$  mol L $^{-1}$ ) in DCE, gain =  $5.0 \times 10^3$ ; (B) (A) after the addition of  $2.1 \times 10^{-6}$  mol TBACl, gain =  $2.5 \times 10^3$ ; (C) 0.0759 g of Fe(TDCPP)SG consisting  $1.1 \times 10^{-6}$  mol Fe(TDCPP) $^+$ /g SG, gain =  $1.6 \times 10^4$  (4 extraneous peaks from the support); (SO) pure SO, gain =  $1.6 \times 10^4$ . EPR spectrometer conditions:  $T = 4.5$ – $5.5$  K, microwave frequency = 9.240 GHz.



Iron porphyrin  
 Fe(TPP) $^+$   $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = R_4 = Ph$  X = H  
 Fe(TDCPP) $^+$   $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = R_4 = 2,6\text{-CF}_3Ph$  H  
 Fe(TTFPP) $^+$   $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = R_4 = C_6F_5$  H  
 Fe(TDCFCpP) $^+$   $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = R_4 = 1,4\text{-dClPh}$  Cl

Fig. 1. Iron(III)porphyrins.



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# EPR of Fe(III) ( $S = 5/2, d^5$ )

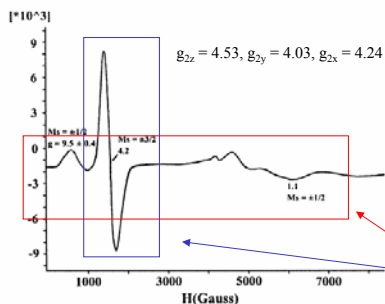


Fig. 5 Solid-state X-band EPR spectrum of a finely powdered sample of **5** at 4 K. EPR conditions: microwave frequency 9.466 GHz; modulation amplitude 1.60 G; modulation frequency 100.00 kHz; microwave power 1.997 mW.

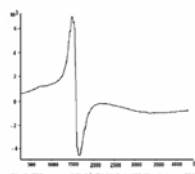
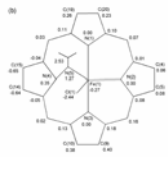
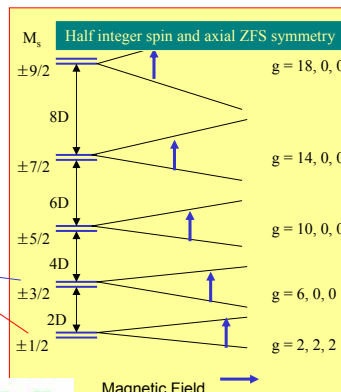


Fig. 6. EPR spectra of  $[Fe(5)Cl(CCl_4)_2]_n$  in  $CHCl_3$  solution at 77 K.

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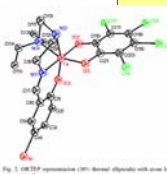
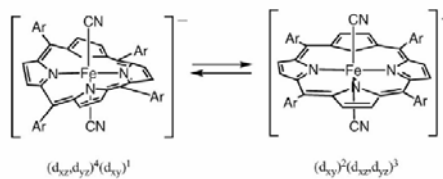
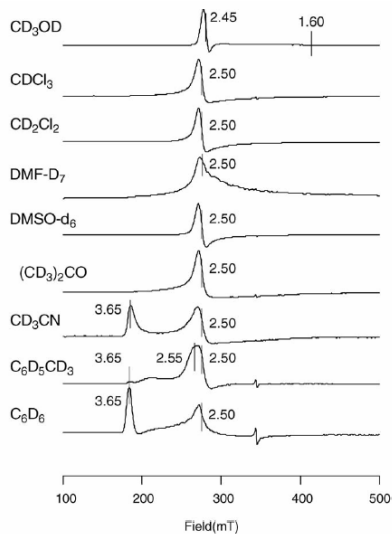


Fig. 7. ORTEP representation (50% thermal ellipsoids) with atom labels relative to 2.

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## *EPR of Fe(III) ( $S = 1/2, d^5$ )*



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## *EPR of Fe(III) ( $S = 1/2, d^5$ )*

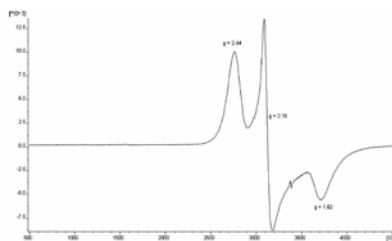
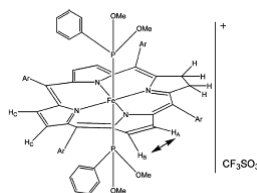
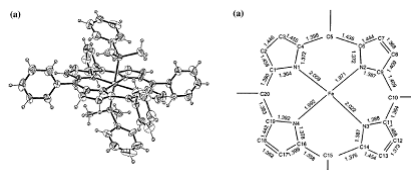
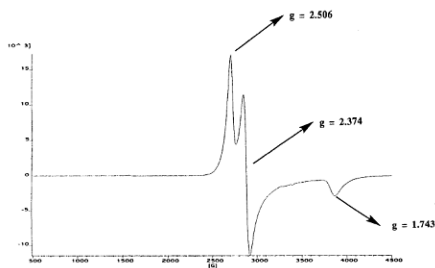


Fig. 4. EPR spectrum of  $[Fe(TPC)(OMe)_2]CF_3SO_3$  (I) in a  $CH_2Cl_2$  glass, recorded at 4 K.

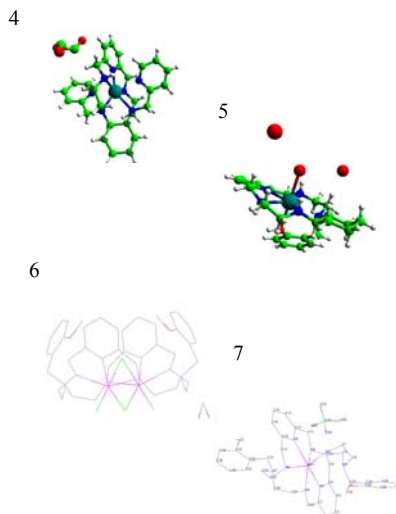
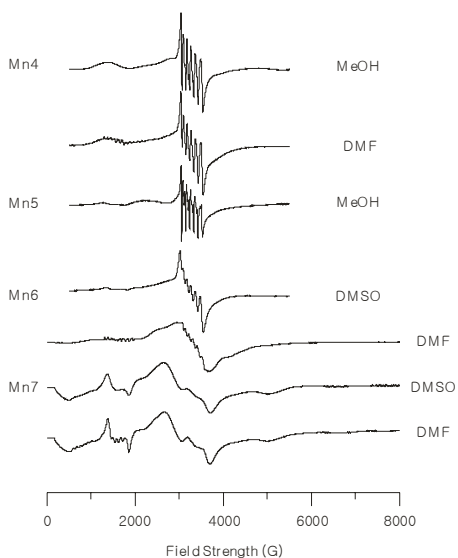


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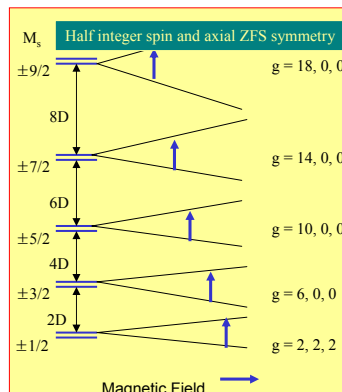
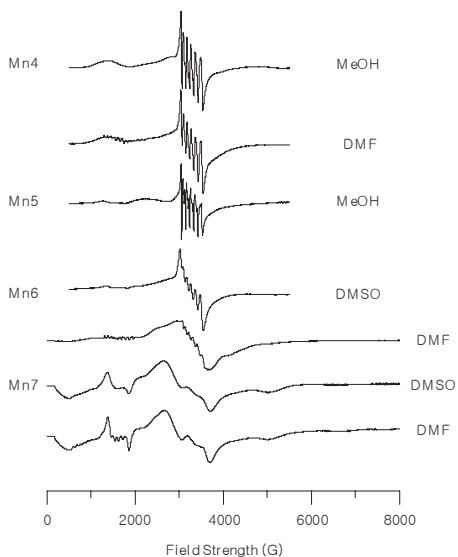


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## EPR of Mn(II) ( $S = 5/2, d^5$ )



## EPR of Mn(II) ( $S = 5/2, d^5$ )



$^{55}\text{Mn}$  (100%),  $I=5/2$

## *EPR of Mn(II) ( $S = 1/2, d^5$ )*

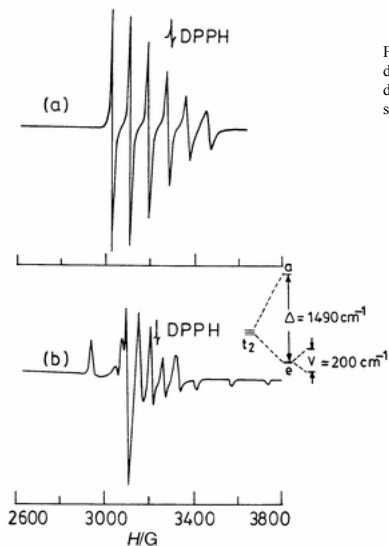
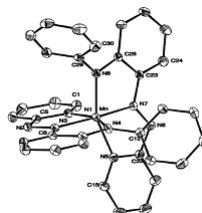
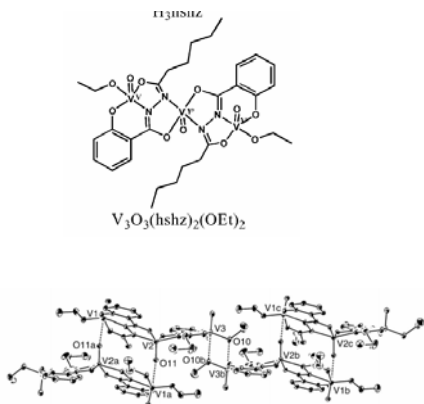


Fig. 1 EPR spectra of  $[\text{Mn}(\text{L}1)_2]$  in (a) 11 dichloromethane-toluene solution at 300 K, (b) frozen 11 dichloromethane-toluene solution at 77 K, showing computed splittings of  $t_2$  orbitals. DPPH = Diphenylpicrylhydrazyl.

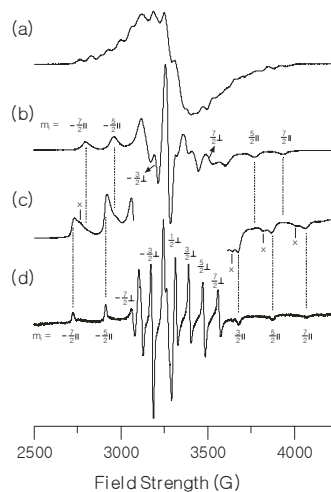


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## *EPR of V(IV) ( $S = 1/2, d^1$ )*



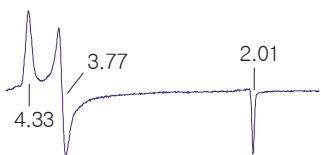
$^{51}\text{V}$  (99.8%),  $I = 7/2$   
small  $g$  anisotropy, big nuclear hyperfine



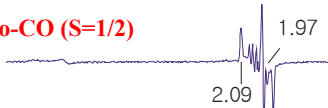
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## EPR of *FeMo-co* ( $S = 3/2, 1/2, d^{43}$ )

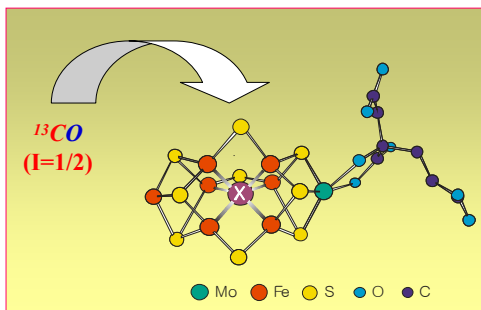
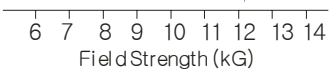
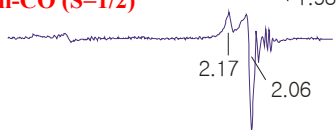
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lo-CO ( $S=1/2$ )



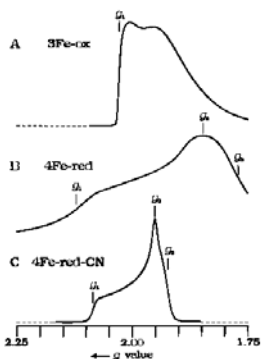
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## EPR of *FeS*-clusters

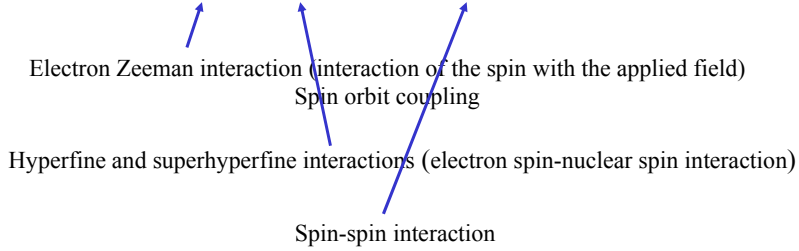
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**Figure 1.** Q-band CW EPR spectra of *Pf-Fd*: (A) *Pf-Fd* 3Fe-ox, (B) *Pf-Fd* 4Fe-red, (C) *Pf-Fd* 4Fe-red-CN. Experimental conditions: (A) temperature, 2 K; microwave frequency, 34.987 GHz; microwave power, 20  $\mu\text{W}$  (40 dBm); 100 kHz field modulation amplitude, 0.13 mT; time constant, 32 ms; (B) as in (A) except: microwave frequency, 35.040 GHz; (C) as in (A) except: microwave frequency, 34.905 GHz; microwave power, 2  $\mu\text{W}$  (50 dBm). The canonical  $g$  values are indicated for each spectrum, where determinable.

# Interactions measured by EPR

$$H = \beta \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{g} \cdot \mathbf{H} + \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{D} [S_z^2 - 1/3 S(S+1)] + E/D (S_x^2 - S_y^2)$$

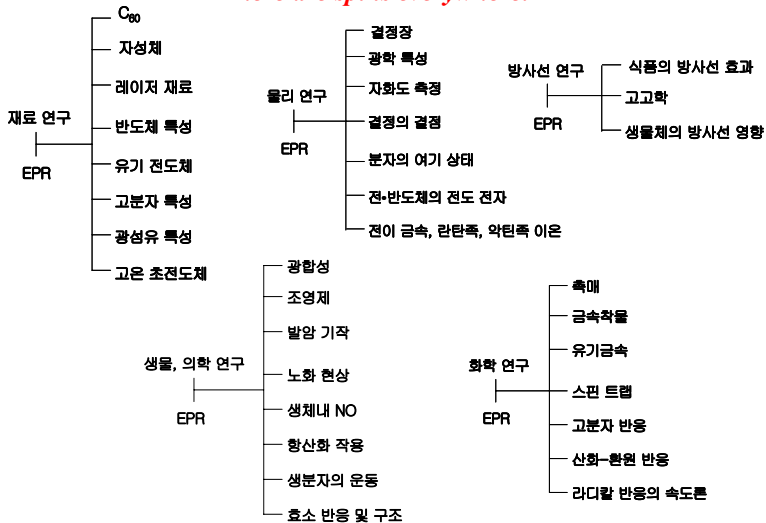


\* Nuclear quadrupole interaction can also be detected.

- High sensitivity (<1 μM to 0.1 mM)
  - No background
  - Definitive and Quantitative

# Applications

*There are spins everywhere.*





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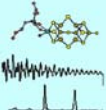

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