

FM 46: Introductory Talk: Quantum Sensing

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Quantum sensing enabled by diamond — ●FEDOR JELEZKO —
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Single nitrogen vacancy (NV) color centers in diamond currently have sufficient sensitivity for detecting single external nuclear spins and resolve their position within a few angstroms. The ability to bring the sensor close to biomolecules by implantation of single NV centers and attachment of proteins to the surface of diamond enabled the first proof of principle demonstration of proteins labeled by paramagnetic markers and label-free detection of the signal from a single protein. Single-molecule nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) experiments open the way towards unraveling dynamics and structure of single biomolecules. However, for that purpose, NV magnetometers

must reach spectral resolutions comparable to that of conventional solution state NMR. New techniques were proposed for this purpose and realized recently including technique that employs quantum entanglement. The ability to sense nuclear spins by NV centers also enables the transfer of polarization from optically polarized spins of NV centers to external nuclear spins. Such diamond based techniques for dynamic nuclear spin polarization are very promising for the enhancement of sensitivity of conventional MRI imaging.

Most of mentioned above results obtained so far with diamond centers are based on optical detection of single NV color centers. Recently it was shown that photoelectrical detection of NV centers base on spin selective photoionization can provide robust and efficient access to spin state of individual color centers