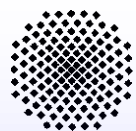


In situ MAS NMR spectroscopy: State of the art and applications

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Isotopes interesting for solid-state NMR in heterogeneous catalysis

(nuclear spin, relative sensitivity in comparison with ^1H)

^1H (1/2, 1.00), ^2H (1, 1.4×10^{-6})

^{13}C (1/2, 1.8×10^{-4}), ^{15}N (1/2, 3.8×10^{-6})

^{31}P (1/2, 6.6×10^{-2})

^7Li (3/2, 0.27)

^{11}B (3/2, 0.13)

^{17}O (5/2, 1.1×10^{-5})

^{23}Na (3/2, 9.2×10^{-2})

^{27}Al (5/2, 0.21)

^{29}Si (1/2, 3.7×10^{-4})

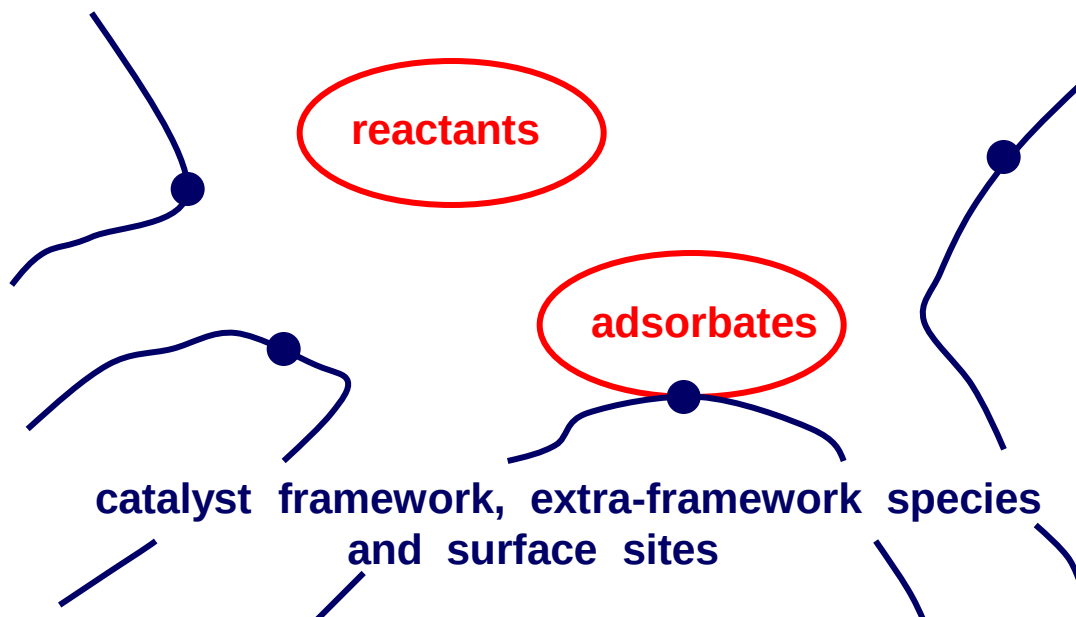
^{31}P (1/2, 6.6×10^{-2})

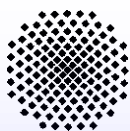
^{51}V (7/2, 0.38)

^{67}Zn (5/2, 1.2×10^{-2})

^{71}Ga (3/2, 5.6×10^{-2})

^{133}Cs (7/2, 4.7×10^{-2})





Specific problems of solid-state NMR spectroscopy

Magnetization M_0 , Curie's law:

$$M_0 = \frac{N \gamma^2 \hbar^2 I(I+1) B_0}{(2\pi)^2 3 k_B T}$$

detection limit of solid-state NMR is ca. $N = 10 \mu\text{mol}$ spins per gram for ^1H nuclei at room temperature

magnetization M_0 decreases with increasing temperature T

broadening of NMR signals due to internal solid-state interactions

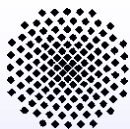
most important solid-state interactions:

H_{CSA} : anisotropic shielding of the magnetic field due to the anisotropic electron density in the local structure of the resonating nuclei; $\mathcal{F} \{LP^{(2)}\}$ $\Delta \nu_{\text{CSA}}$ up to 50 kHz

H_{DI} : dipolar interaction with magnetic dipole moments of neighboring spins in the local structure; $\mathcal{F} \{LP^{(2)}\}$ $\Delta \nu_{\text{DI}}$ up to 100 kHz

H_{Q} : quadrupolar interaction of the electric quadrupole moment of nuclei with spin $I = 3/2, 5/2$ etc. with electric field gradients; $\mathcal{F} \{LP^{(2)} + LP^{(4)}\}$ $\Delta \nu_{\text{Q}}$ up to 20 MHz





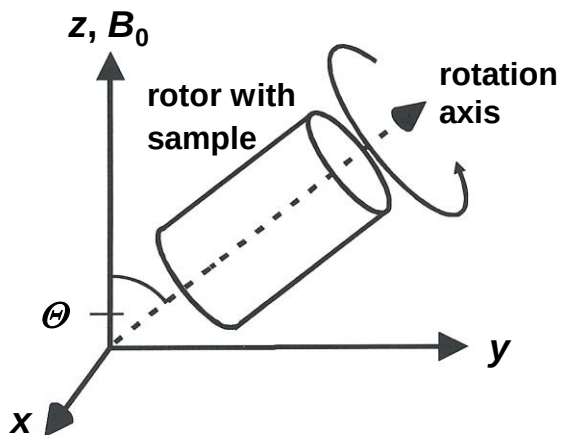
Techniques of solid-state NMR spectroscopy

spin $I = 1/2$:

magic angle spinning (**MAS**)

$$\nu_{\text{CSA, DI, 1QI}} = \mathcal{F} \{ (3\cos^2\Theta - 1)/2 \}$$

$$\rightarrow \Theta = 54.7^\circ$$



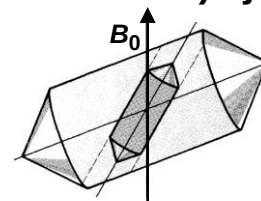
spin $I = 3/2, 5/2$ etc. :

double oriented rotation (**DOR**)

$$\nu_{2\text{QI}} = \mathcal{F} \{ (35\cos^4\Theta - 30\cos^2\Theta + 3)/8 \}$$

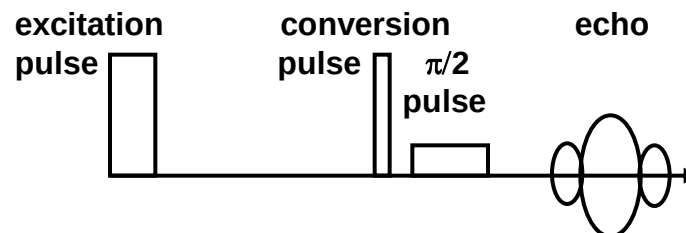
$$\rightarrow \Theta = 30.6^\circ$$

$$\Theta = 70.1^\circ$$



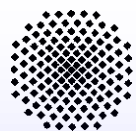
multiple-quantum MAS NMR (**MQMAS**)

- excitation of three- and five-quantum transitions
- recording of a spin-echo free of anisotropic contributions

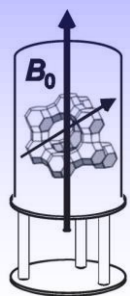


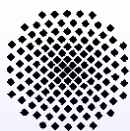
J. Amoureux et al., J. Magn. Reson A 123 (1996) 116.





Experimental techniques of *in situ* MAS NMR spectroscopy





Batch contra flow solid-state NMR experiments

batch experiments, external reaction

- sealed samples
- heating in an external stove

batch experiments, *in situ* reaction

- sealed samples
- high-temperature solid-state NMR probes
- go-and-stop studies using a Laser heating system

characteristics:

- accessible with commercial equipment
- infinite contact time

flow experiments, external reaction

- reaction in an external reactor
- transfer of the loaded or used catalysts after quenching the reaction

flow experiments, *in situ* reaction

- continuous injection of reactants into the MAS NMR rotor reactor
- high-temperature solid-state NMR probes

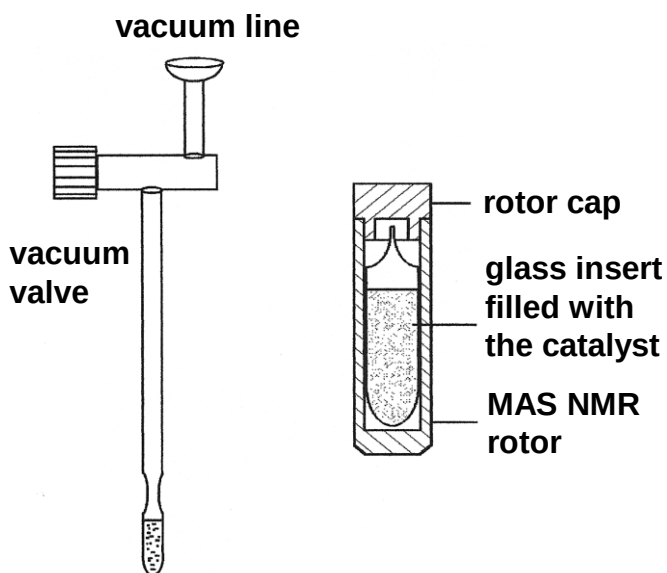
characteristics:

- often self-made equipment
- study of reactions under steady state conditions

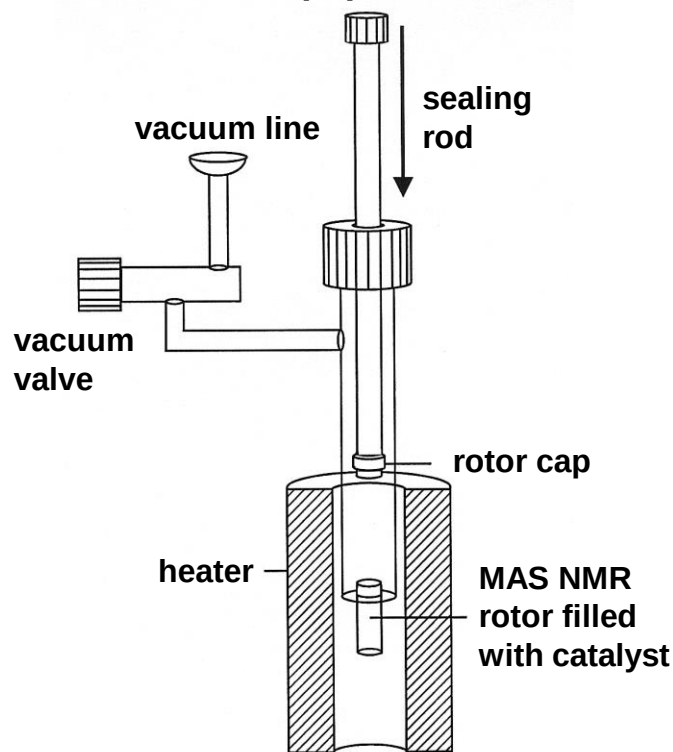


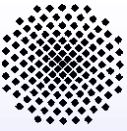
Preparation of catalyst samples for *in situ* MAS NMR studies under batch conditions

dehydration and loading of the catalyst inside the glass insert (e.g. commercial Wilmad MAS NMR inserts for 4 mm and 7 mm rotors)



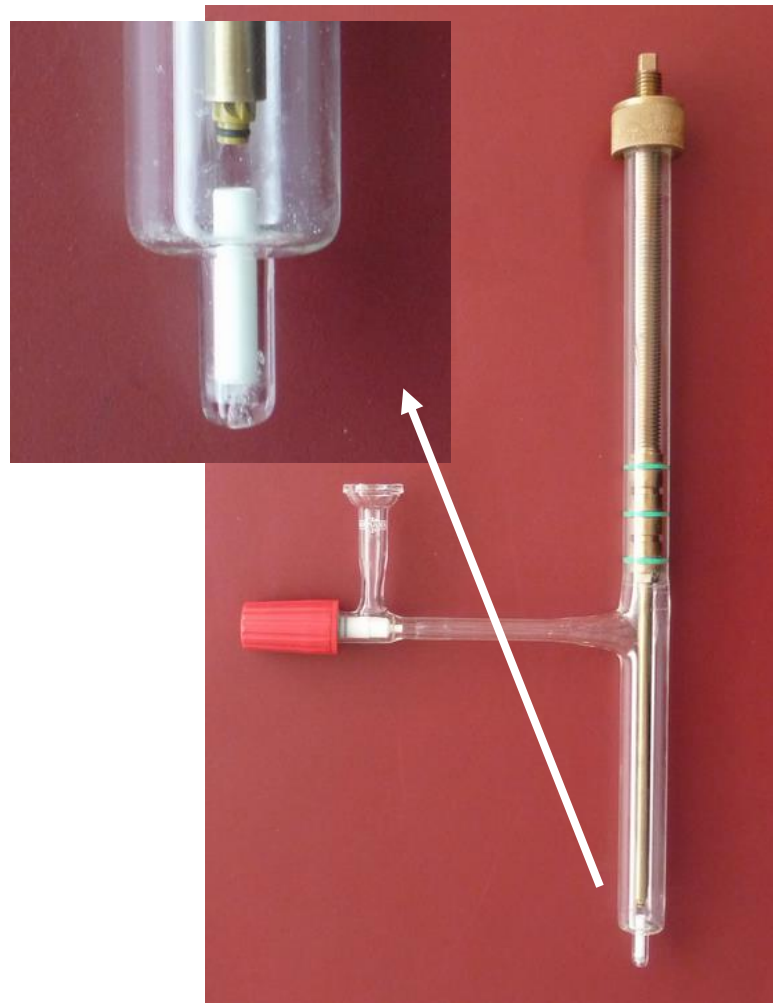
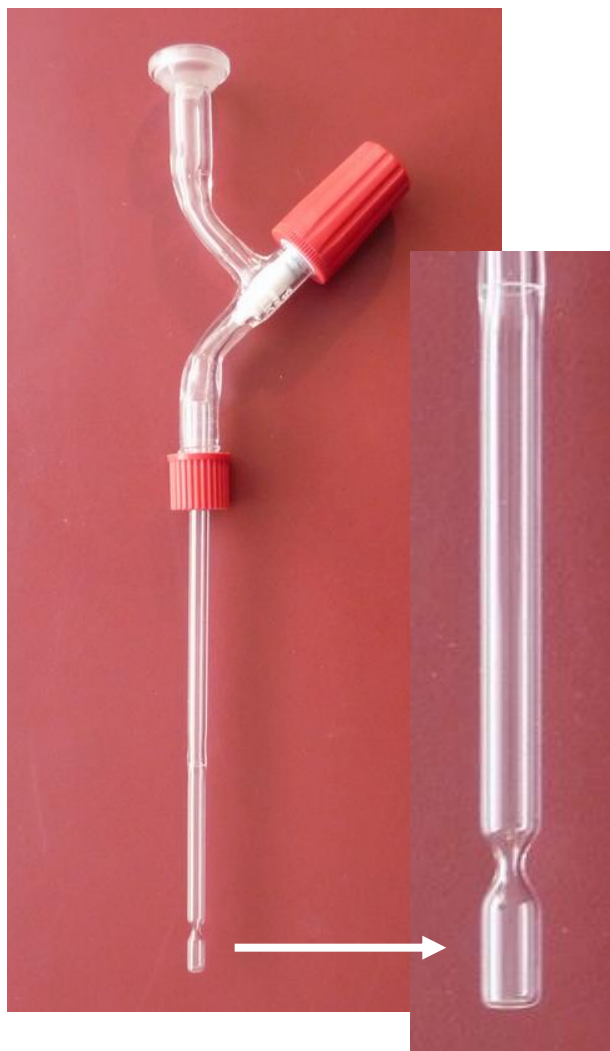
dehydration, loading, and sealing of the catalyst filled in an MAS NMR rotor inside a vacuum equipment



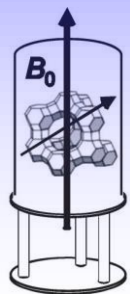


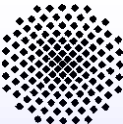
Preparation of catalyst samples for in situ MAS NMR studies under batch conditions

Wilmad insert for 7mm Bruker rotors



selfmade equipment for rotor sealing



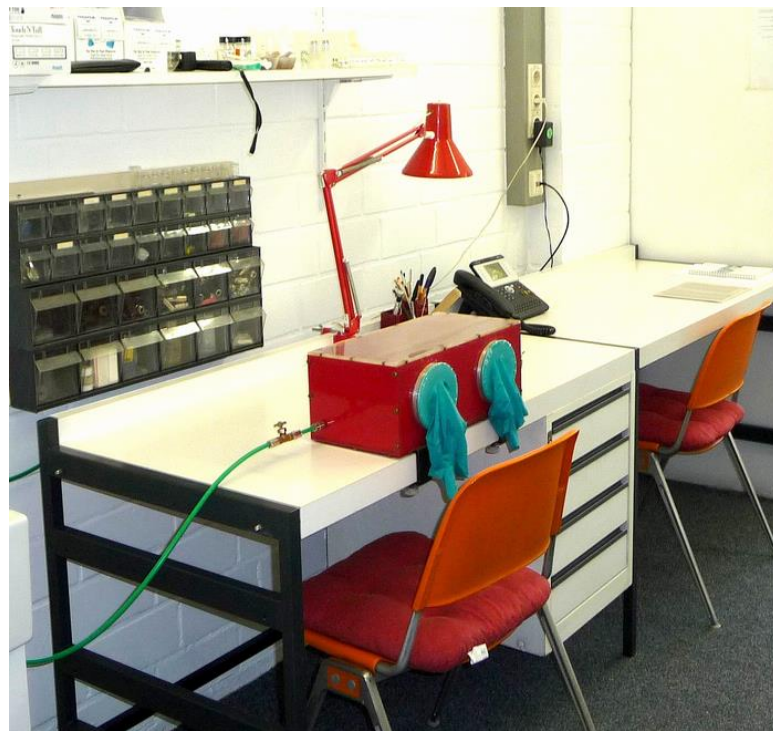


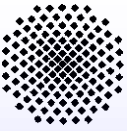
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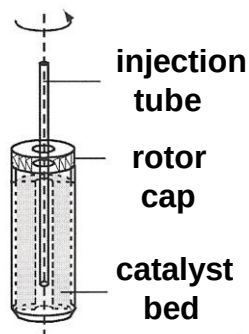
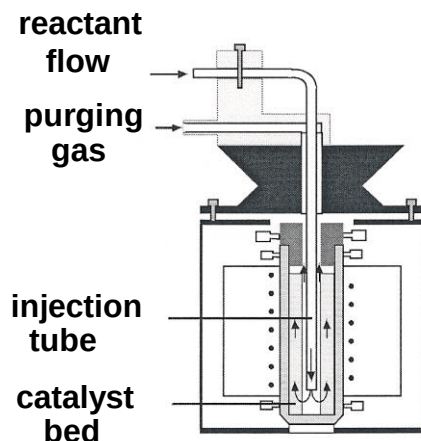
vacuum line for dehydration of catalyst samples in glass tubes at elevated temperatures (often 673 K)

transfer of the dehydrated catalyst samples from glass tubes into MAS rotors inside a glove box (dry nitrogen)



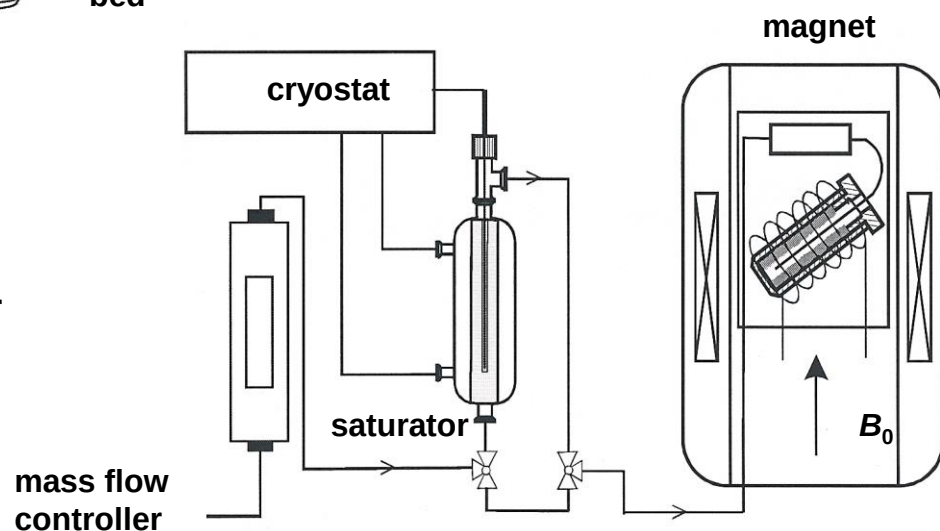


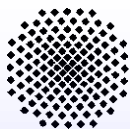
Experimental approaches of in situ MAS NMR spectroscopy under continuous flow (CF) conditions



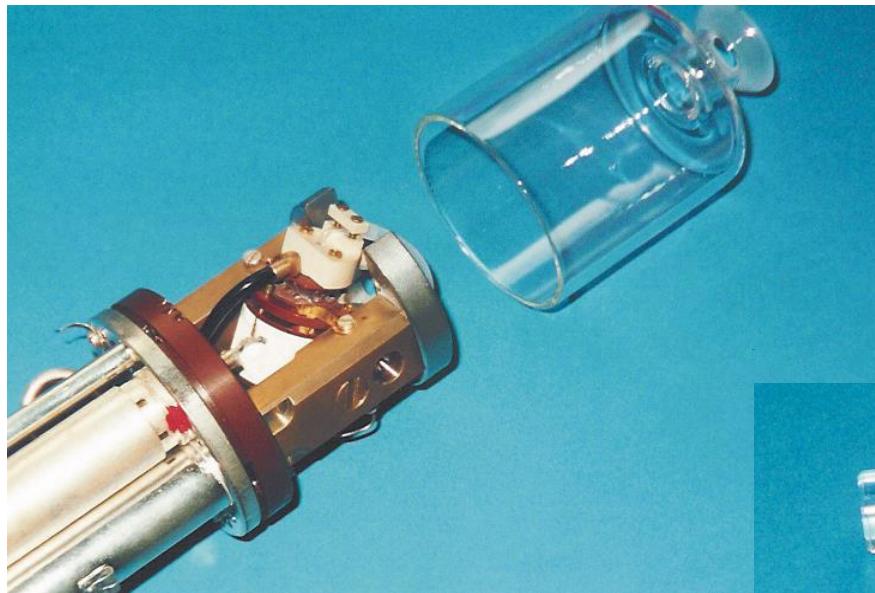
**modification of Doty and
Bruker MAS NMR probes
with an injection system**

**well-defined reactant flow
by using a mass-flow-
controller and saturator for
loading the reactants on
carrier gas**

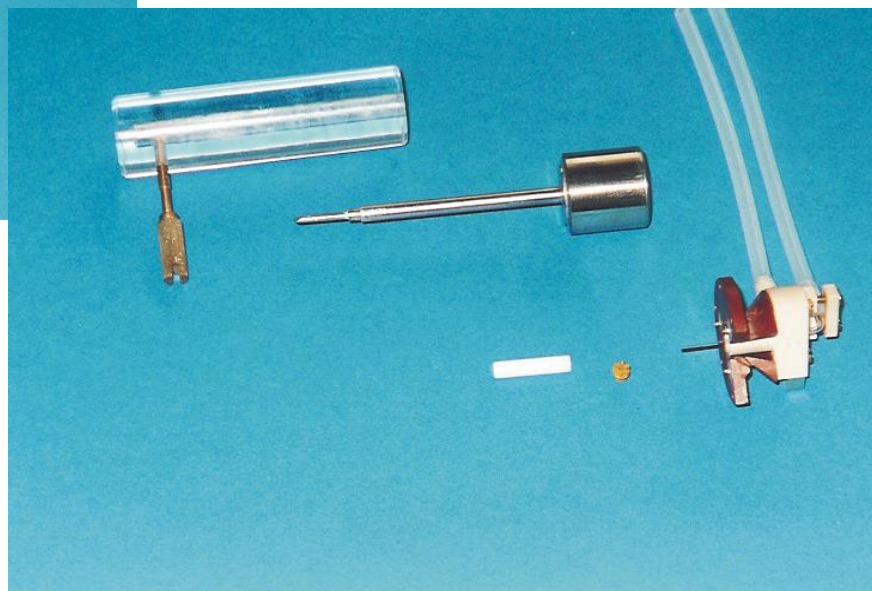




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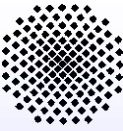


modified 4 mm Bruker MAS NMR probe equipped with an injection system



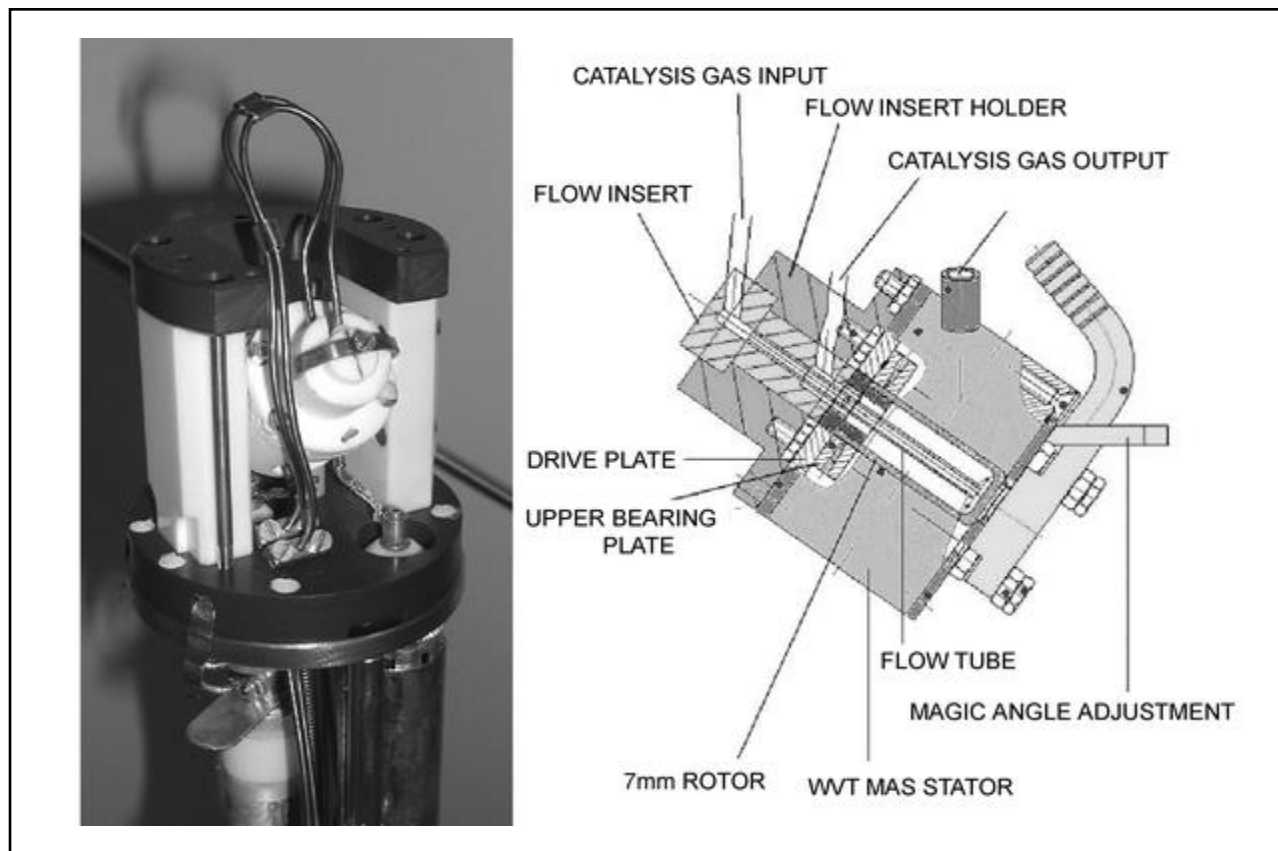
tools for shaping the catalyst to a hollow cylinder





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Bruker MASCAT probe with 7 mm MAS NMR rotor and temperatures up to 623 K



A. Nossou et al., *PhysChemChemPhys.* 5 (2003) 4479, and
V. Sundaramurthy et al., *C.R. Chimie* 9 (2006) 459.



The diagram illustrates the components of a laser-heated diamond anvil cell (LHDAC). The left side shows a 3D cutaway view of the entire assembly, while the right side shows a vertical cross-section of the sample chamber.

3D Cutaway View Labels:

- reactant inlet
- 14 heating gas inlet
- 13 rf coil
- 11 support block
- 10 exhaust tube
- 12 driving jets
- 9 support block
- 8 injection tube
- 15 angle adjustment

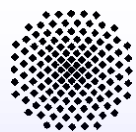
Vertical Cross-Section View Labels:

- 6 end plug
- 5 glass wool spacer
- 3 sample volume
- 4 glass wool spacer
- 7 end plug
- 2 spinner tip
- 1 zirconium rotor

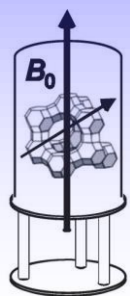
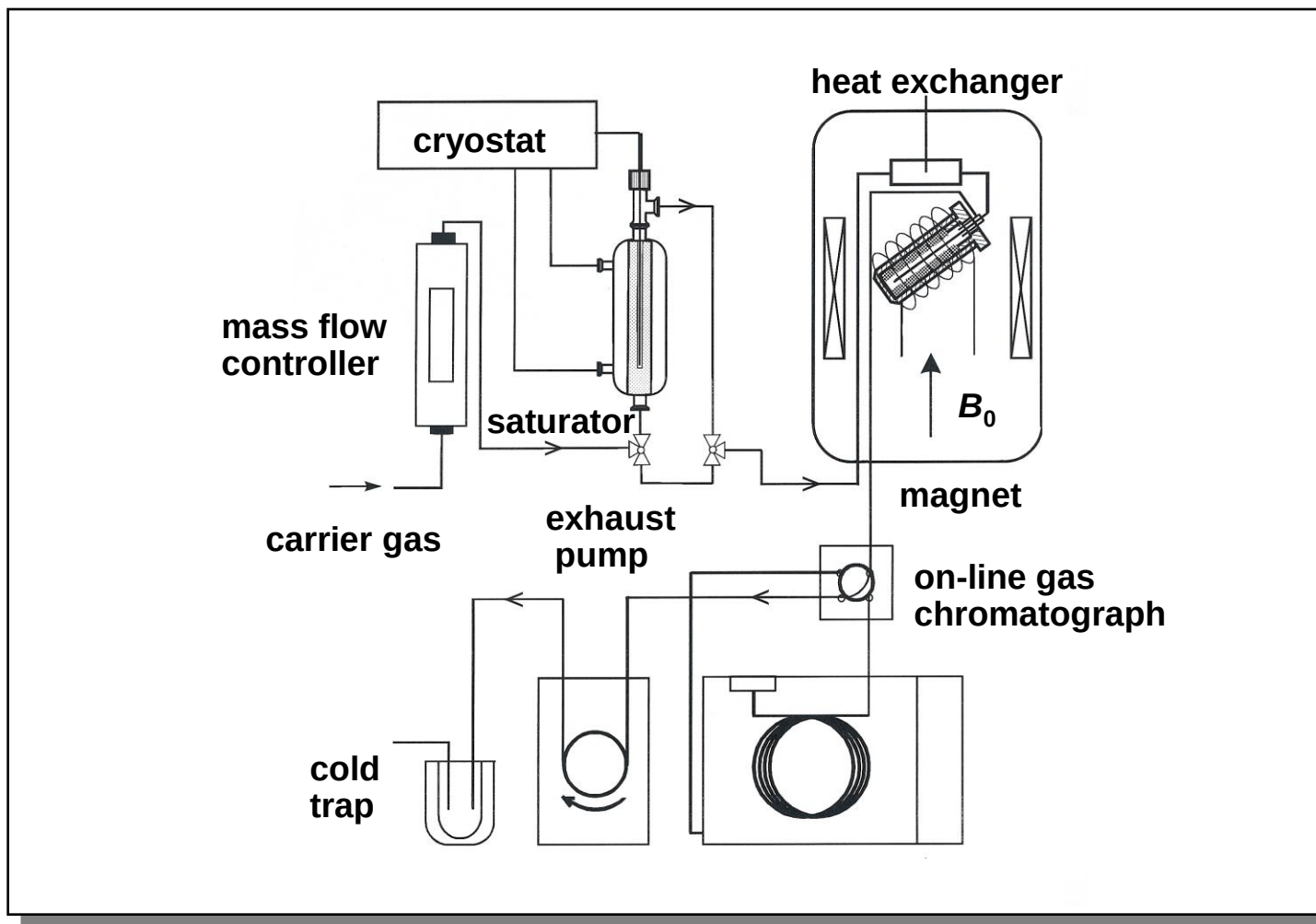
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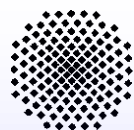
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Coupling of in situ CF MAS NMR spectroscopy with on-line gas chromatography



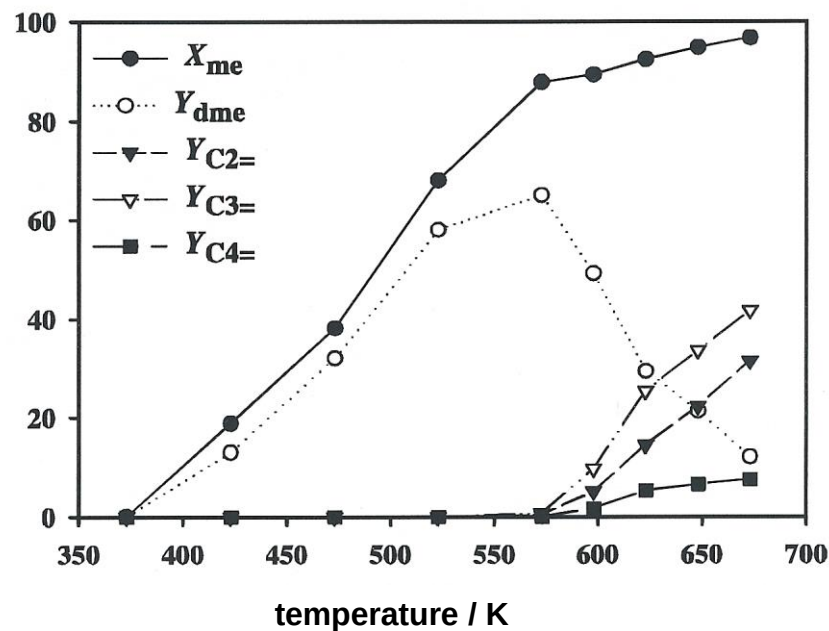


Coupling of *in situ* CF MAS NMR spectroscopy with on-line gas chromatography

methanol-to-olefin conversion on zeolite **H-ZSM-5** at $T = 373$ to 673 K with modified residence time of $W_{\text{cat}}/F_{\text{me}} = 25$ gh/mol

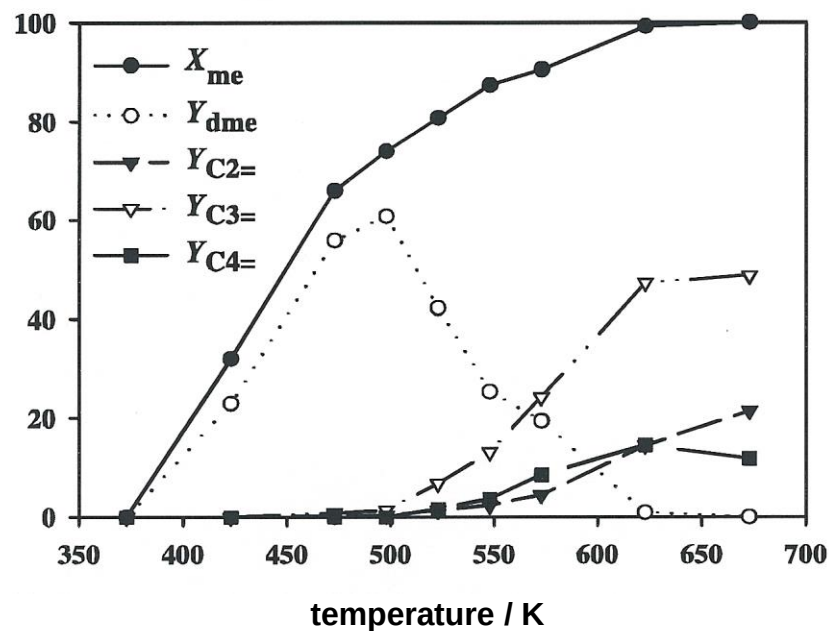
fixed-bed reactor

X_i, Y_j / %



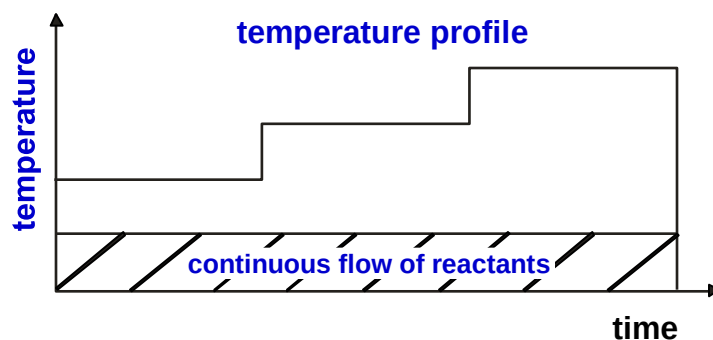
spinning (2 kHz) MAS NMR rotor reactor

X_i, Y_j / %



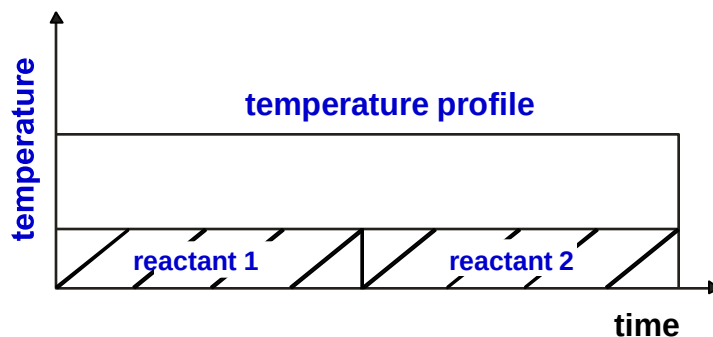
Types of flow experiments for *in situ* MAS NMR spectroscopy

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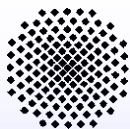


- study of adsorption or conversion of reactants at constant or different temperatures,
- study of formation of stable deposits of catalyst deactivation.

switched-flow experiment (SWF):

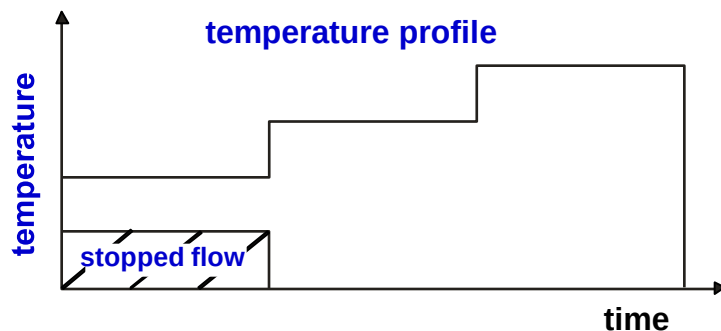


- change of isotopic enrichment in reactants,
- study of the response of the composition of reaction products or deposits on the change of reactants.



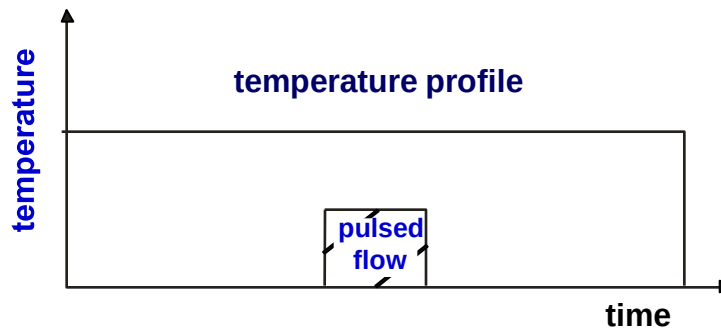
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stopped-flow experiment (SF):

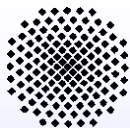


- preparation of intermediates on the catalyst,
- study of the reactivity and conversion of intermediates at constant or different temperatures.

pulsed-flow experiment (PF):



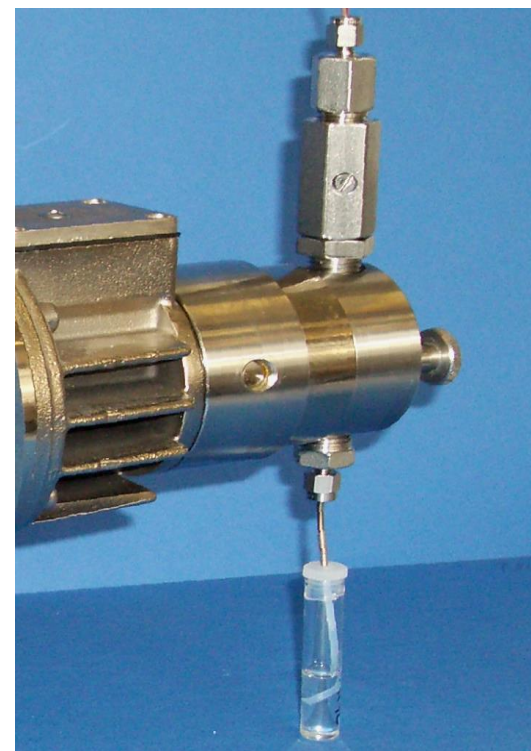
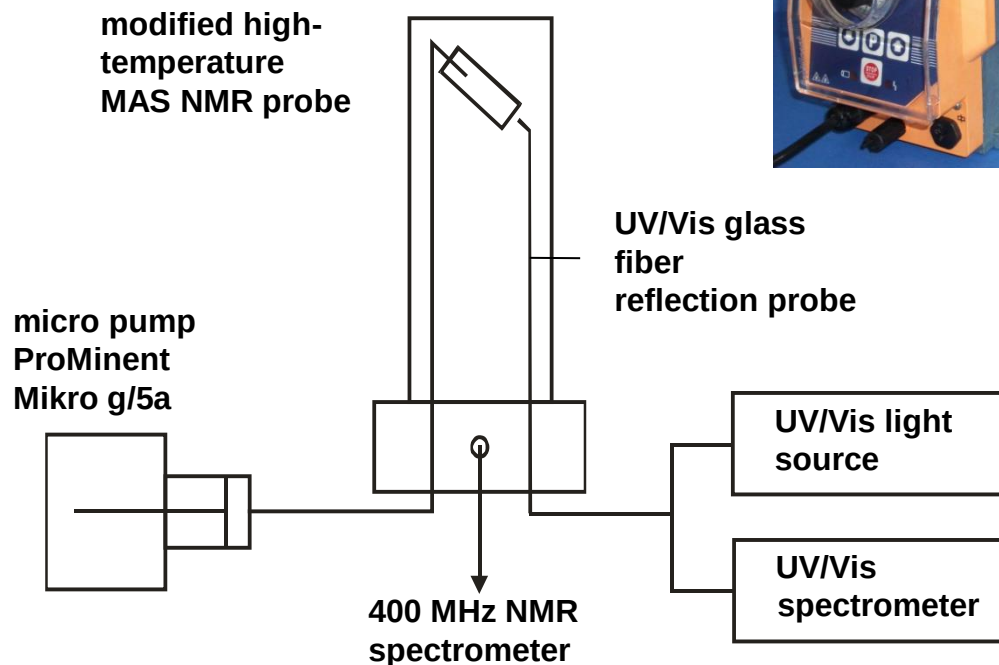
- study of the time dependence of the conversion of reactants,
- study of the isotopic exchange of reactants at high temperatures.

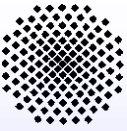


Experimental approach for in situ pulsed-flow MAS NMR

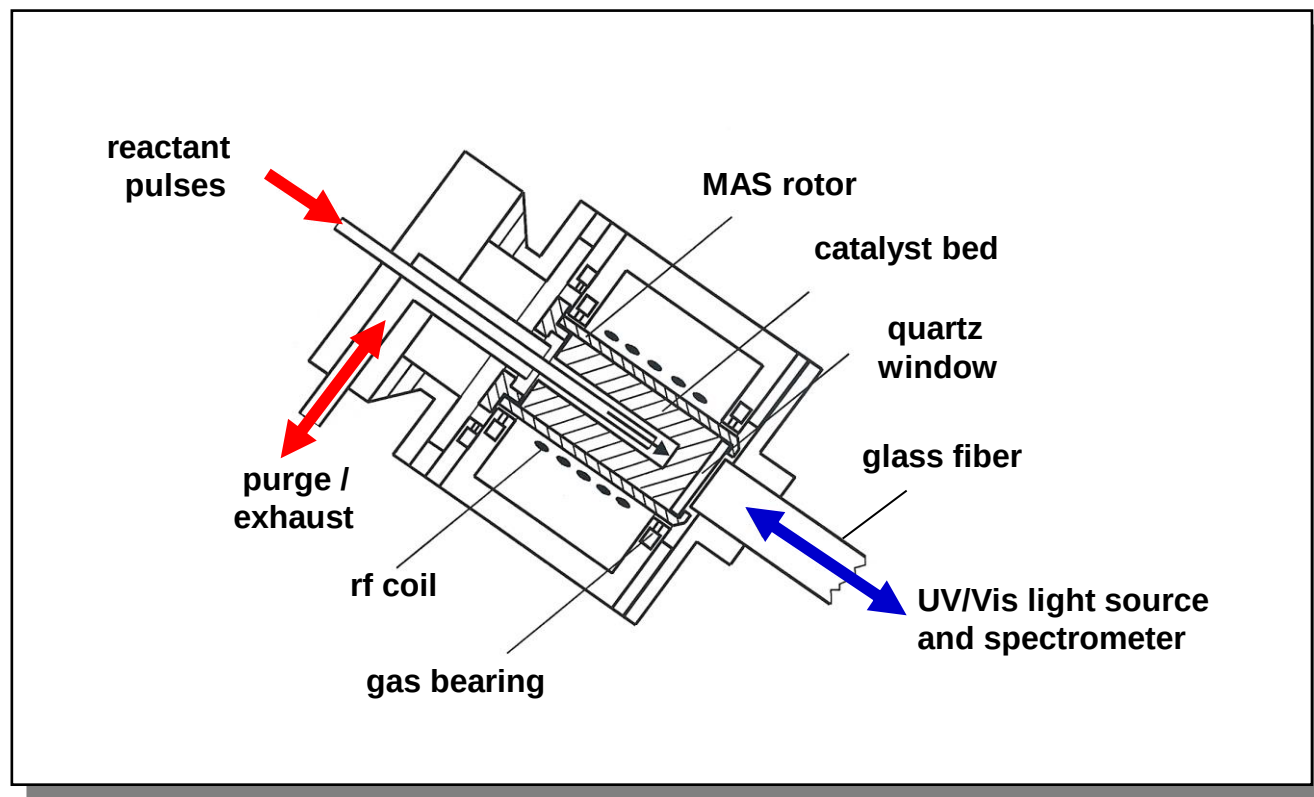
injection of liquid reactants into the spinning MAS NMR rotor via a micro-pulse pump:

pump Mikro g/5 of Fa. ProMinent, Germany, for single pulses with volumes of 2 to 50 μl



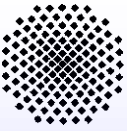


Coupling of in situ CF MAS NMR and UV/Vis spectroscopy via a quartz fiber at the MAS NMR stator

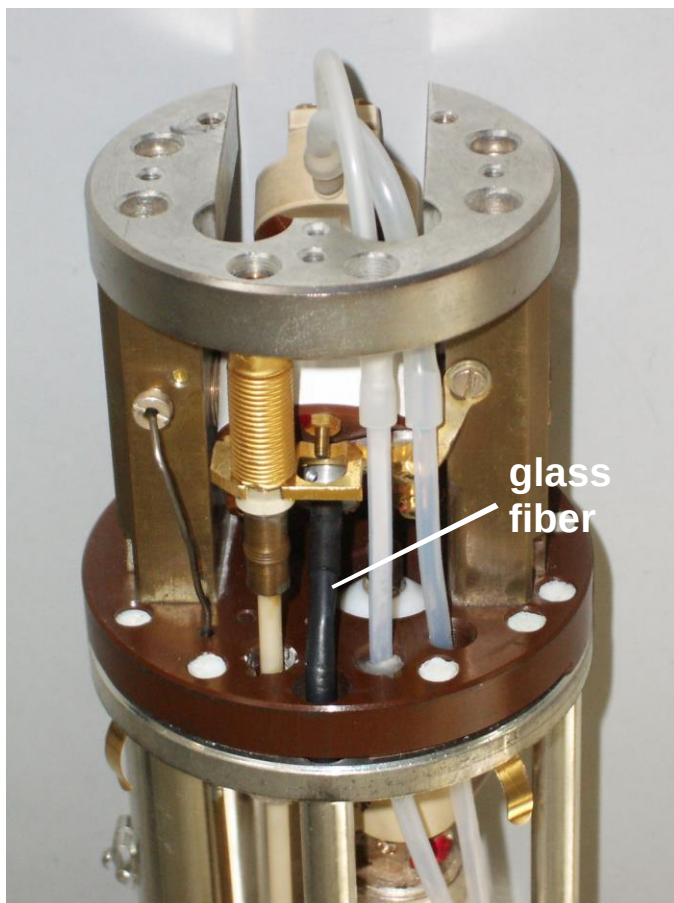


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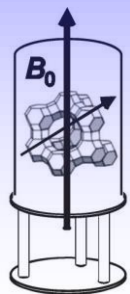


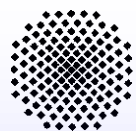


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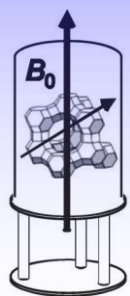


**7 mm Bruker MAS NMR probe
equipped with a quartz fiber (left) and
UV/Vis light source and spectrometer
of Avantes (bottom)**



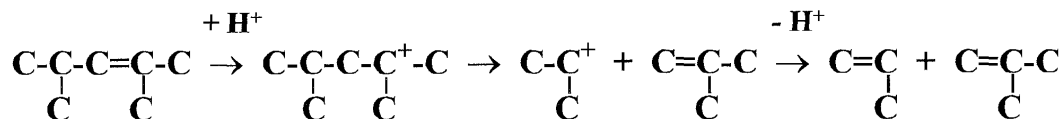
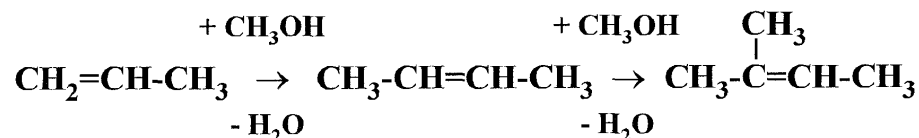


Examples for the application of *in situ* flow MAS NMR spectroscopy

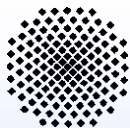
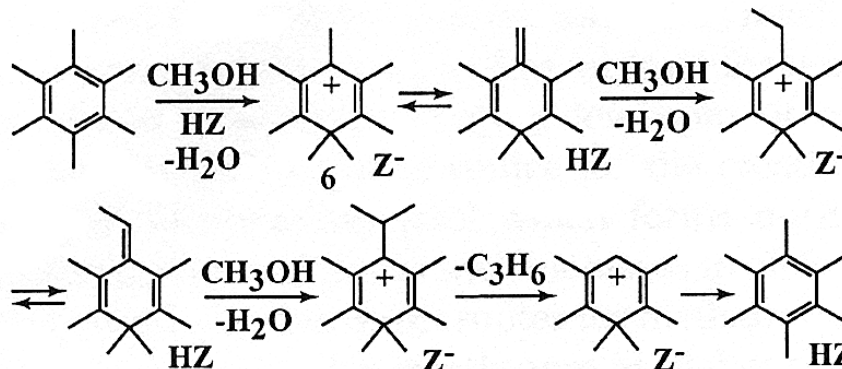


Methanol-to-olefin (MTO) conversion on acidic zeolites

mechanism *via* olefinic compounds (H. Schulz, M. Wei, Microporous Mesoporous Mater. 29 (1999) 205)



mechanism *via* polyalkylaromatics (J.F. Haw et al., Acc. Chem. Res. 36 (2003) 317)



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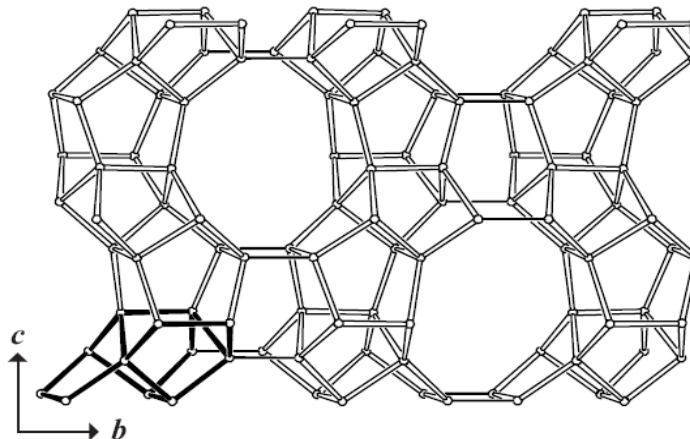
H-ZSM-5: Structure type MFI



crossing intersections at
interconnecting 10-ring channels

[100] 0.51 nm x 0.55 nm

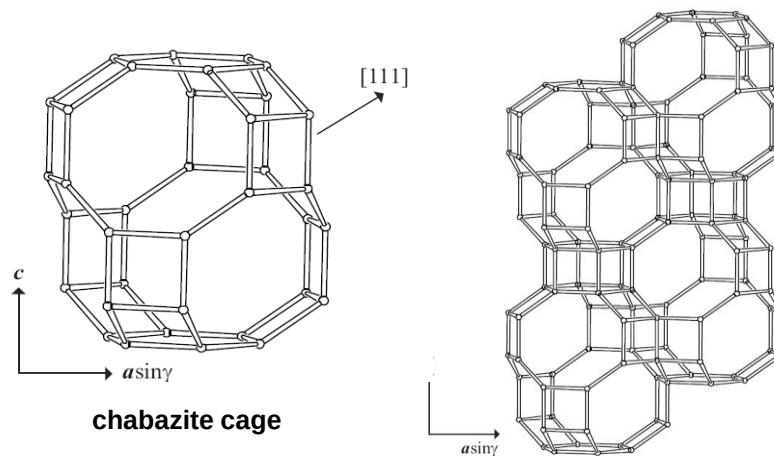
[010] 0.53 nm x 0.56 nm



H-SAPO-34: Structure type CHA

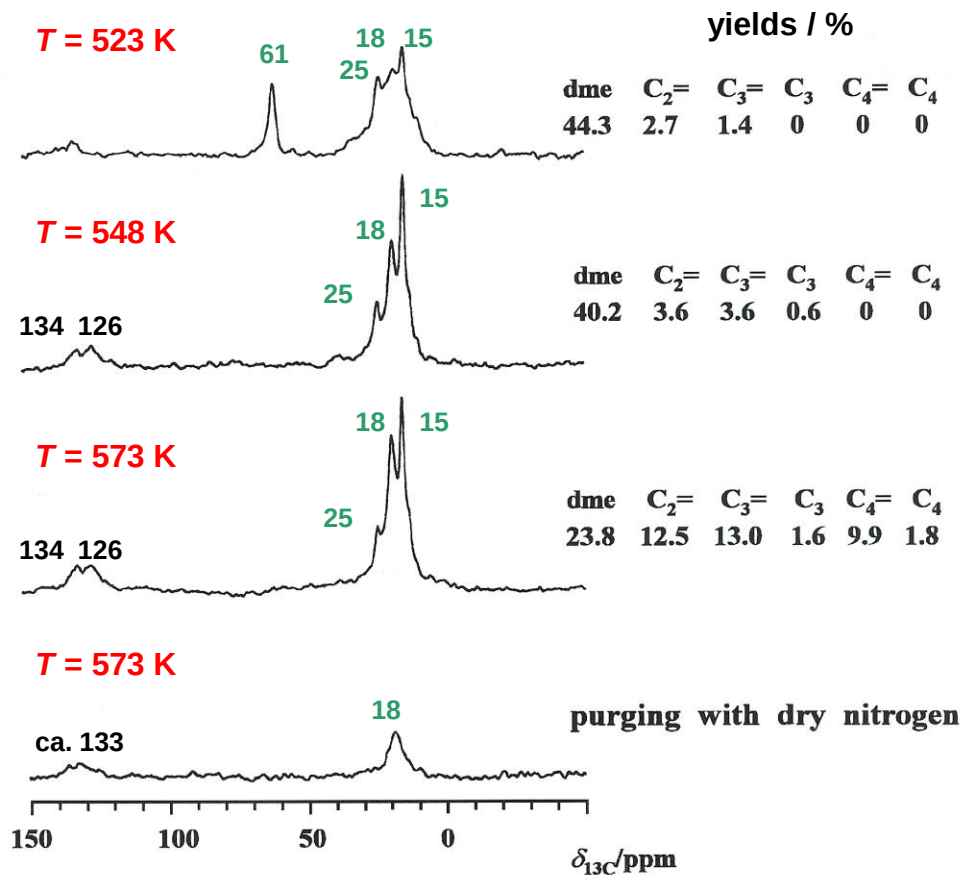


chabazite cages accessible by
8-ring windows perpendicular to
[001] 0.38 nm x 0.38 nm



Methanol-to-olefin (MTO) conversion on acidic zeolites

in situ ^{13}C CF MAS NMR study of H-ZSM-5 ($W_{\text{cat}}/F_{\text{me}} = 25 \text{ gh/mol}$)



$T \leq 548 \text{ K}$:

mixture of olefinic and aromatic compounds, such as:

3-hexene (14.4, 25.9, 131.2 ppm)
2,4-hexadiene (17.2, 126.2, 132.5 ppm)

....

hexamethylbenzene (17.6, 132.1 ppm)

$T = 573 \text{ K}$:

polymethylaromatics remain after purging, such as:

toluene (20.3, 128.5, 129.0 ppm)

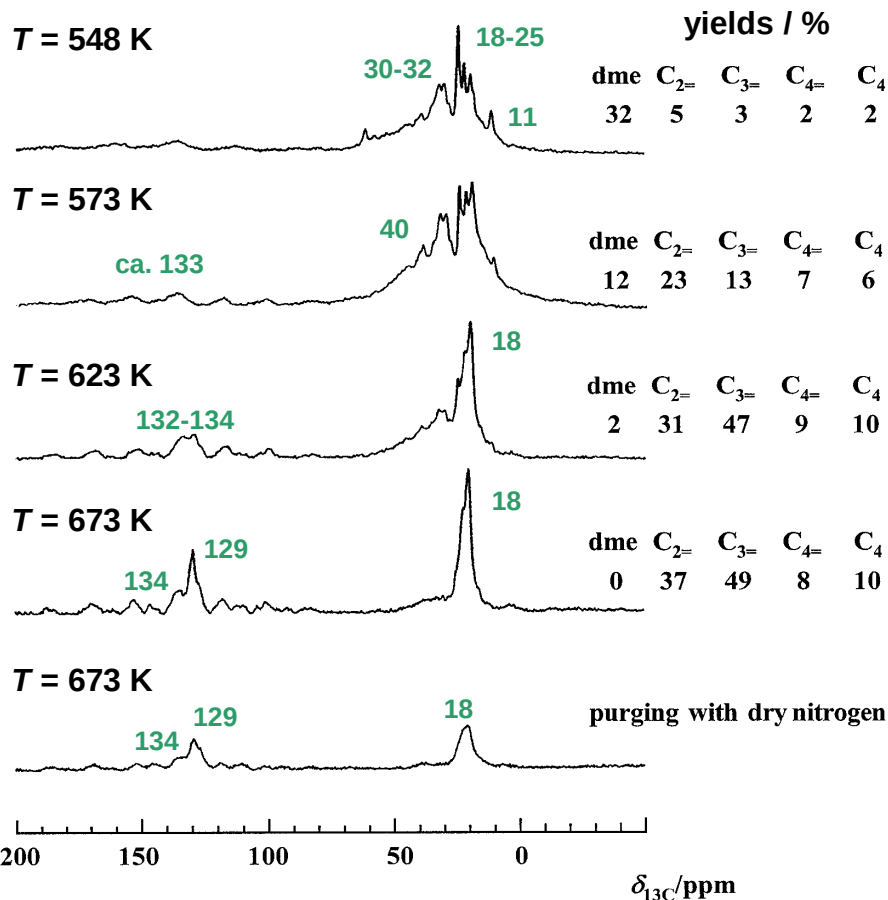
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hexamethylbenzene (17.6, 132.1 ppm)



Methanol-to-olefin (MTO) conversion on acidic zeolites

in situ ^{13}C CF MAS NMR study of H-SAPO-34 ($W_{\text{cat}}/F_{\text{me}} = 25 \text{ gh/mol}$)



$T < 573 \text{ K}$:

mixture of olefinic and aromatic compounds, such as:

2-methyl-2-butene (9.3-22.5, 118.8, 131.8 ppm)

2,4-hexadiene (19.5, 132.5 ppm)

....

tetramethylbenzene (18.9, 131.1, 134.0 ppm)

$T > 573 \text{ K}$:

domination of polymethyl-aromatics, such as:

toluene (20.3, 128.5, 129.0 ppm)

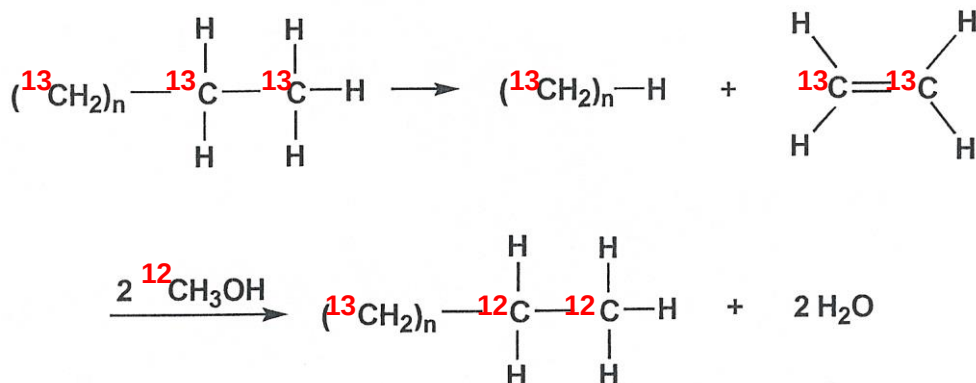
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trimethylbenzene (21.2, 127.4, 137.6 ppm)

hexamethylbenzene (17.6, 132.1 ppm)

Methanol-to-olefin (MTO) conversion on acidic zeolites

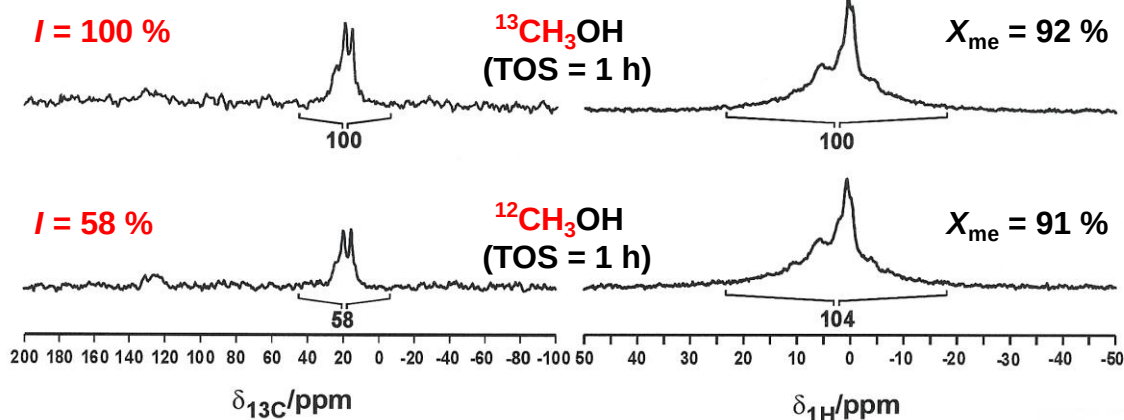
in situ ^{13}C SWF MAS NMR study of MTO on H-ZSM-5 at $T = 573$ ($W_{\text{cat}}/F_{\text{me}} = 25$ gh/mol)



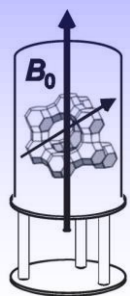
switching of the reactant flow induces a decrease of the ^{13}C -isotopes in the organic deposits:

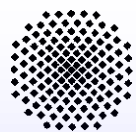
^{13}C SWF MAS NMR

^1H SWF MAS NMR



- alkyl groups are involved in the formation of olefins
- carbon pool plays an active role in the MTO process

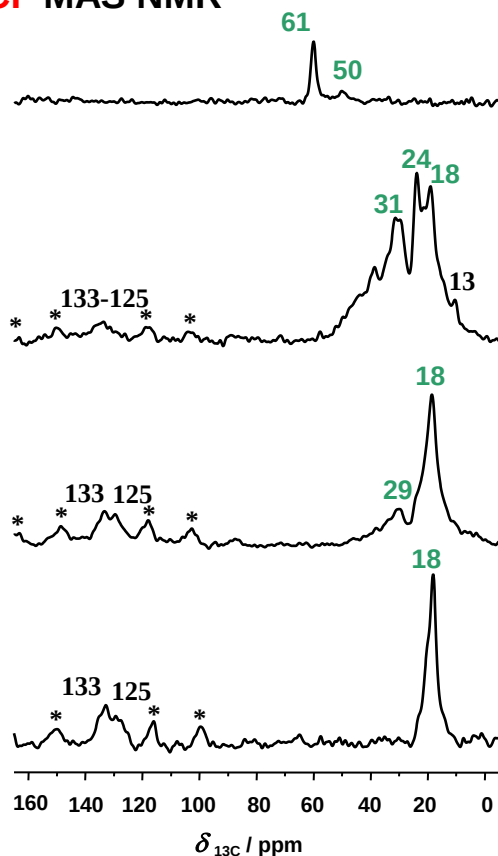




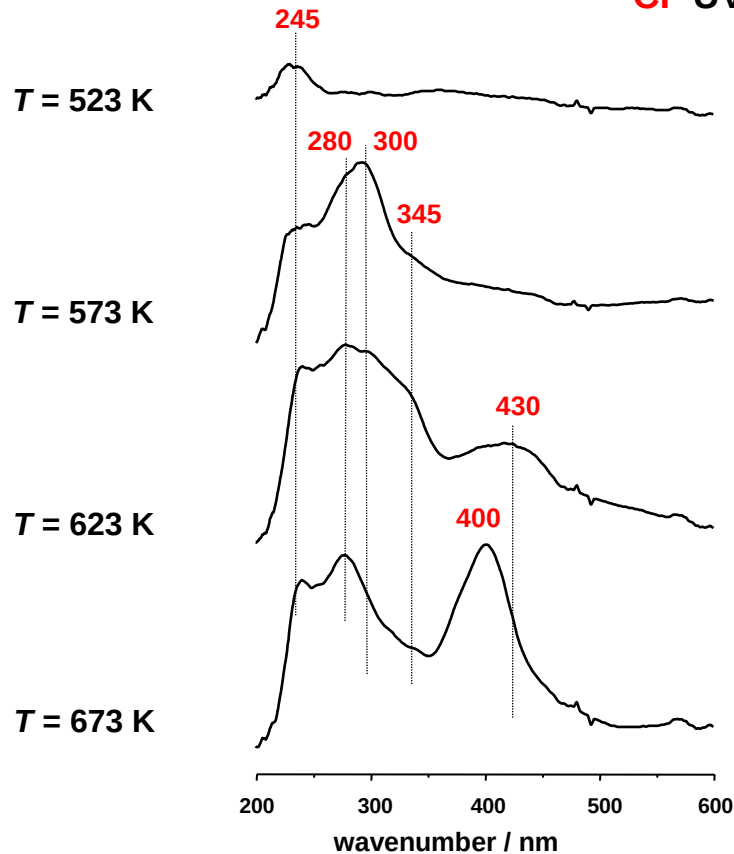
Methanol-to-olefin (MTO) conversion on acidic zeolites

in situ ^{13}C CF MAS NMR-UV/Vis study of coke formation on H-SAPO-34 during the MTO conversion with $W_{\text{cat}}/F_{\text{me}} = 25 \text{ gh/mol}$

^{13}C CF MAS NMR



CF UV/Vis



245 nm: dienes

280 nm: polyalkylaromatics

300 nm: monoenylic carbenium

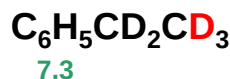
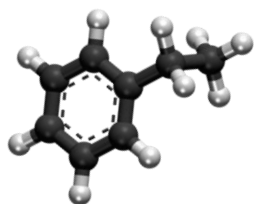
345 nm: dienylic carbenium

400 nm: polycyclic coke

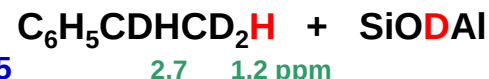
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Side-chain H/D exchange of ethylbenzene on steamed zeolite deH,Na-Y/81.5



deH,Na-Y/81.5



¹H NMR
shift values

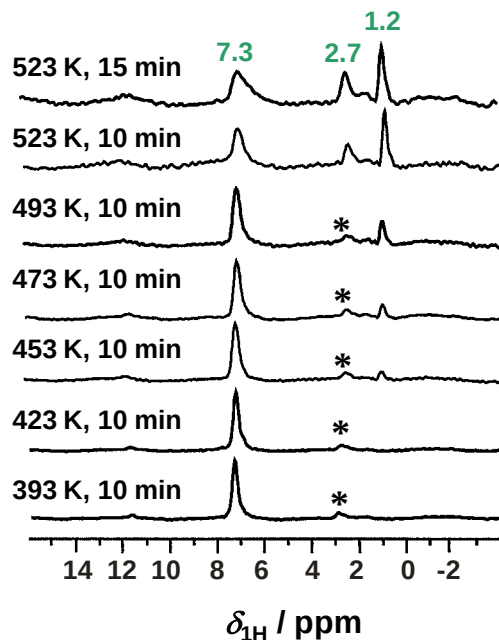
in situ ¹H PF MAS NMR
experiments:

- pulses of 7.8 mg **ethyl-*d*₅-benzene**,
- 32 scans per spectrum with repetition time of 10 s at 9.4 T,
- sample spinning rate of ca. 2 kHz.

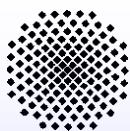
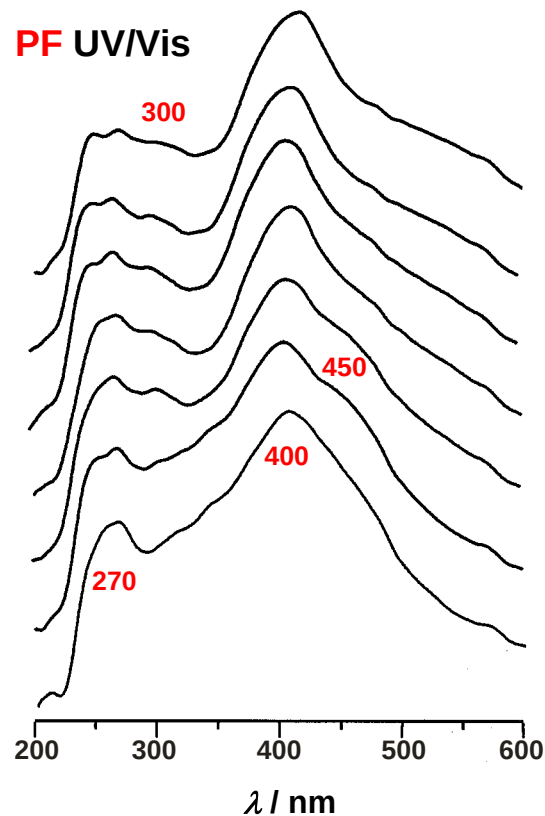
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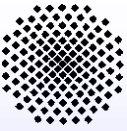
- regioselective H/D exchange at 443 to 463 K (¹H MAS NMR),
- different types of carbenium ions (UV/Vis)-

¹H PF MAS NMR



PF UV/Vis

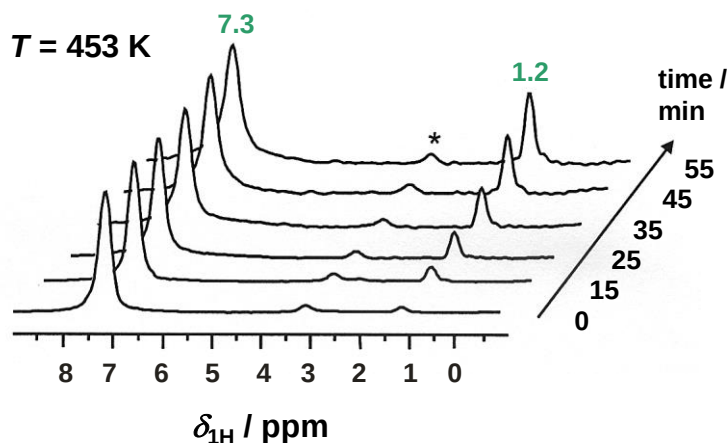




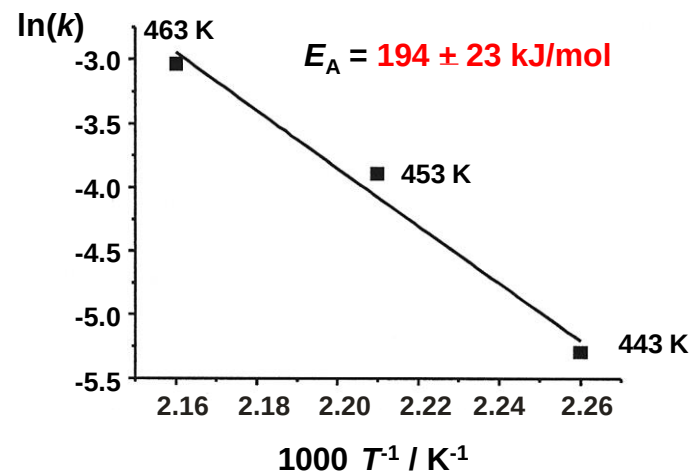
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$\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CD}_2\text{CD}_3$ on dealuminated zeolite deH,Na-Y/81.5 (24.5 $\text{Al}^{\text{ex}}/\text{u.c.}$, 10.9 $\text{SiOHAl}/\text{u.c.}$)

in situ ^1H **PF** MAS NMR



Arrhenius plot



activation energy of the regioselective H/D exchange ($E_A = 194\text{ kJ/mol}$) indicates that a hydride transfer reaction is the rate determining step



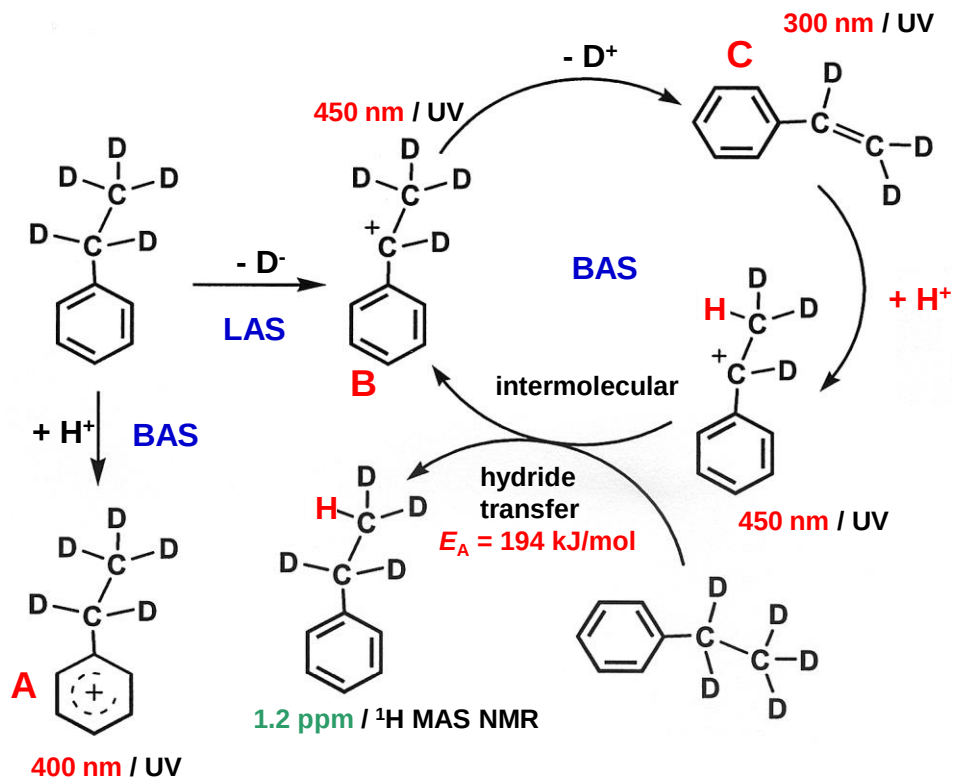
Side-chain H/D exchange of ethylbenzene on steamed zeolite deH,Na-Y/81.5

¹H PF MAS NMR:

- selective H/D exchange of methyl groups (1.2 ppm),
- activation energy of 194 kJ/mol indicates hydride transfer.

PF UV/Vis:

- ethylcyclohexadienyl carbenium ions at BAS (400 nm), A,
- sec-ethylphenyl carbenium ions at LAS (450 nm), B,
- styrene at BAS (300 nm), C.

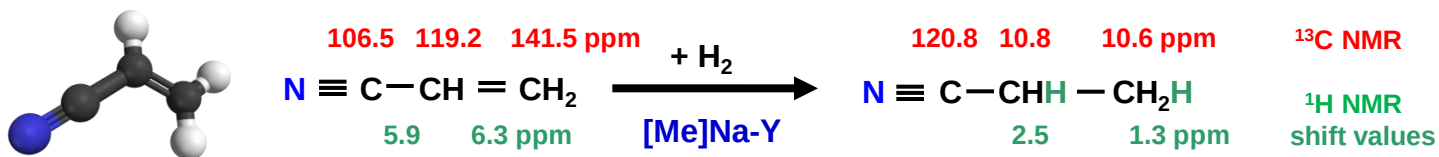


BAS: Broensted acid sites

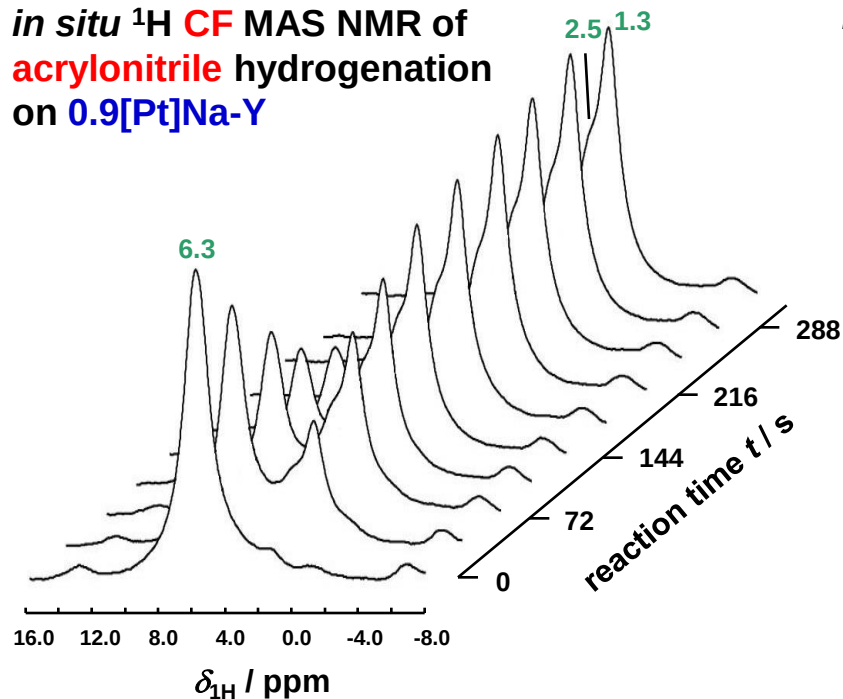
LAS: Lewis acid sites

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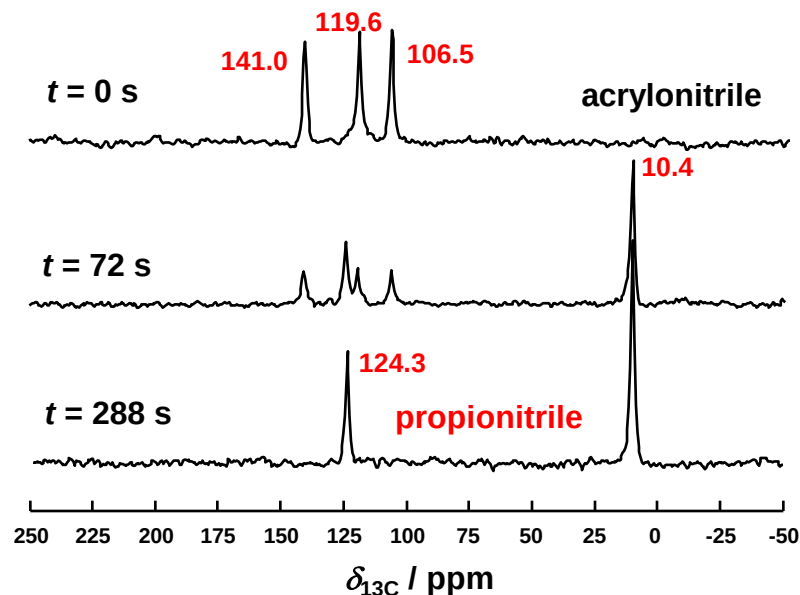
hydrogenation of pre-adsorbed acrylonitrile with normal H₂ at T = 295 K



in situ ¹H CF MAS NMR of acrylonitrile hydrogenation on 0.9[Pt]Na-Y



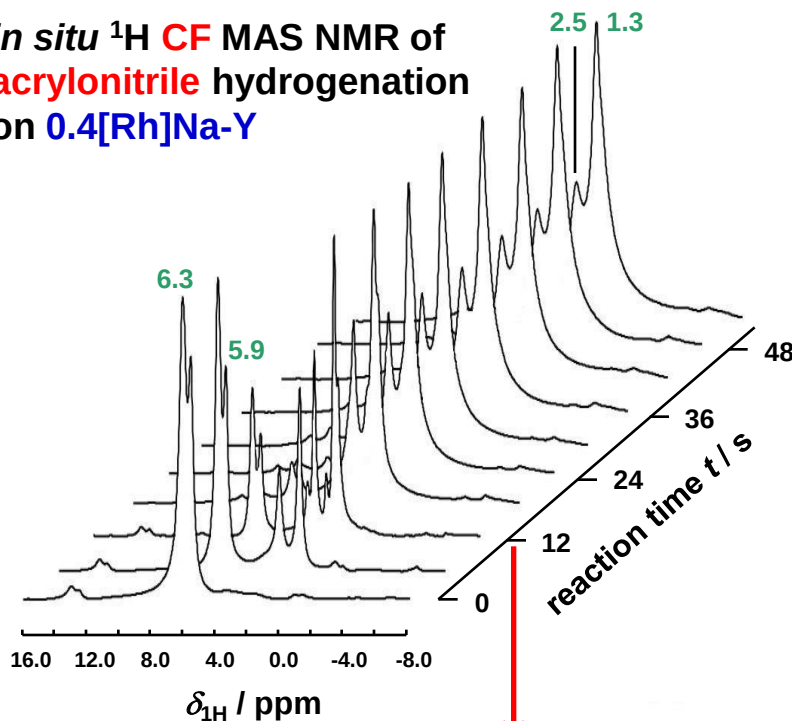
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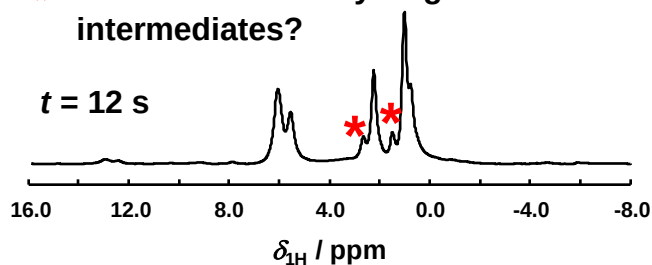
Bruker Avance III 400WB spectrometer, modified 7 mm MAS NMR probe, ν_{rot} ca. 2 kHz, 1 FID / ¹H NMR spectrum, D1 = 6 s.

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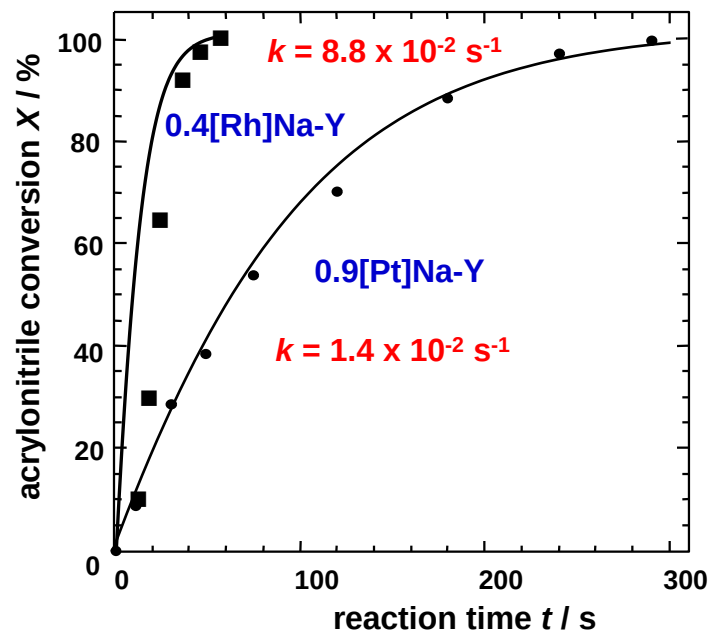
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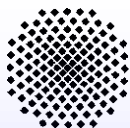
*: formation of half-hydrogenated intermediates?

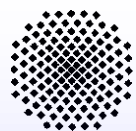


comparison of the intrinsic hydrogenation rates



Rh atoms cause a factor 6 higher intrinsic hydrogenation rate compared with Pt atoms dispersed on zeolite Na-Y





Hyperpolarization experiments utilizing *in situ* CF MAS NMR techniques

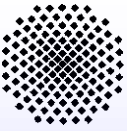




- optical pumping of the D1 transition of rubidium,
- spin exchange between excited rubidium atoms and xenon atoms by gas phase collisions.

- study of the meso- and micropore systems of solid catalyst and adsorbents,
- study of the location of adsorbate complexes upon *in situ* adsorption of reactants.





CF MAS NMR experiments with Laser-polarized ^{129}Xe

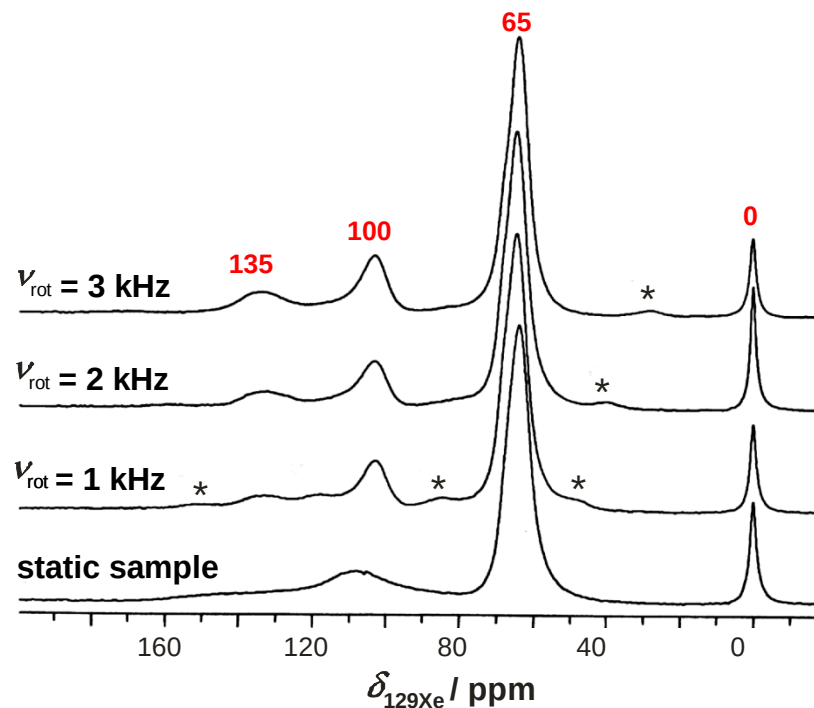
solid-state ^{129}Xe CF NMR study of
Laser-polarized xenon adsorbed
on ITQ-6 (layered precursor of
zeolite ferrierite):

- helium flow of $100 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ min}^{-1}$
with 1 % hyperpolarized xenon,
- magnetic field of 7.0 T,
- sufficient resolution requires
application of MAS,
- 1000 scans with repetition time of 1 s
(16.7 min).

signal assignment:

- signal at 65 ppm is xenon in
the interlamellar space,
- signal at 100 ppm is xenon in
cavities,
- signal at 135 ppm corresponds
to xenon in micropores (e.g. 8- or
10-ring pores of FER domains).

solid-state ^{129}Xe CF NMR
of ITQ-6



CF MAS NMR experiments with Laser-polarized ^{129}Xe

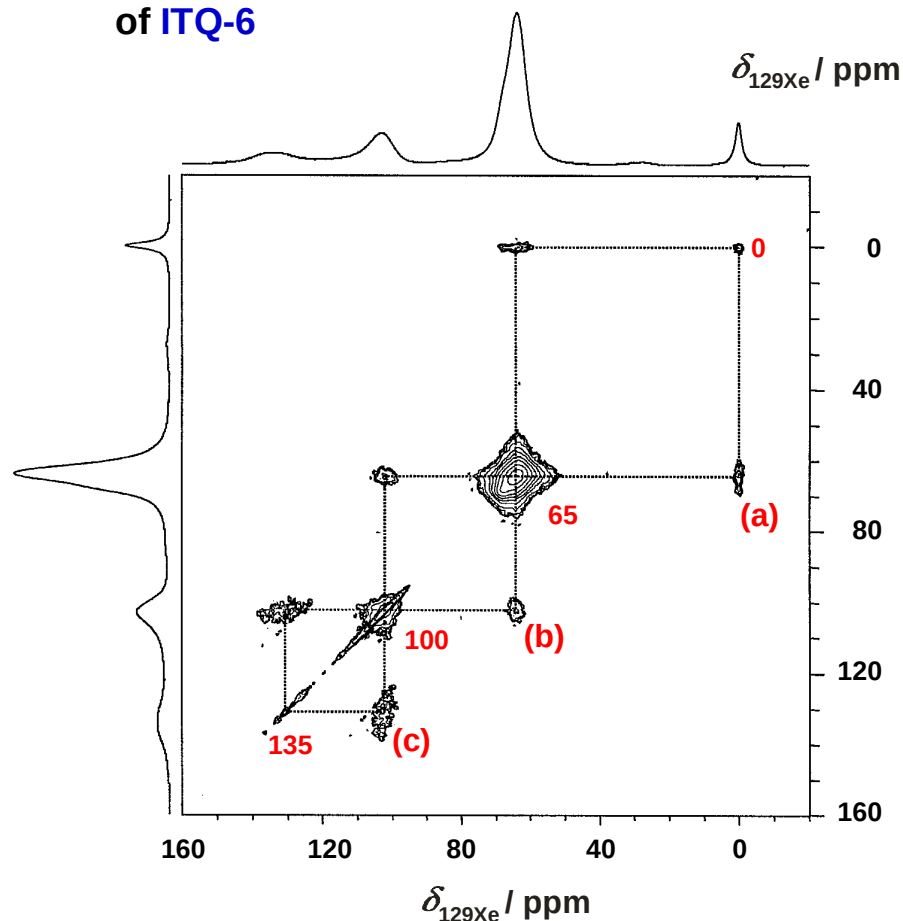
2D-exchange ^{129}Xe CF MAS NMR of
Laser-polarized ^{129}Xe adsorbed on
ITQ-6:

- helium flow of $100\text{ cm}^3\text{ min}^{-1}$ with 1 % hyperpolarized ^{129}Xe ,
- magnetic field of 7.0 T,
- $\nu_{\text{rot}} = 3\text{ kHz}$ and mixing time of 50 ms,
- 8 scans with repetition time of 2 s and 256 increments (68 min).

cross peaks indicate ^{129}Xe exchange between:

- a) gas phase and the interlamellar space,
- b) interlamellar space and cavities,
- c) cavities and micropores.

2D-exchange ^{129}Xe CF MAS NMR
of ITQ-6



CF MAS NMR experiments with Laser-polarized ^{129}Xe

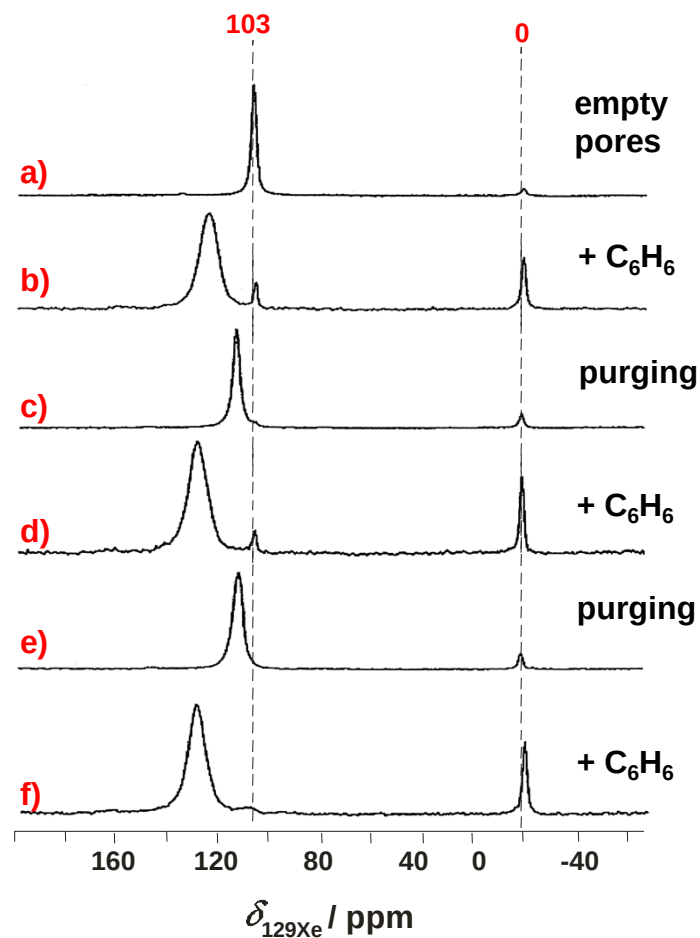
^{129}Xe CF MAS NMR of Laser-polarized xenon on **silicalite-1**:

- helium flow with 1 % hyperpolarized xenon,
- magnetic field of 7.0 T,
- $\nu_{\text{rot}} = 3.5$ kHz,
- signal at 103 ppm caused by xenon in empty 10-ring channels.

pulsed addition of benzene (1.3 %):

- resonance shift to left due to adsorption of **benzene** in 10-ring channels (**b**, **d**, **f**),
- resonance shift to right due to desorption of **benzene**, i.e, 1.5 h later (**c**, **e**).

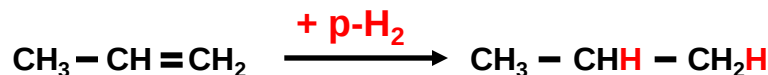
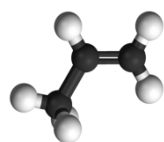
^{129}Xe CF MAS NMR upon ad-/desorption of **benzene** on **silicalite-1**



CF MAS NMR of parahydrogen-induced polarization (PHIP)

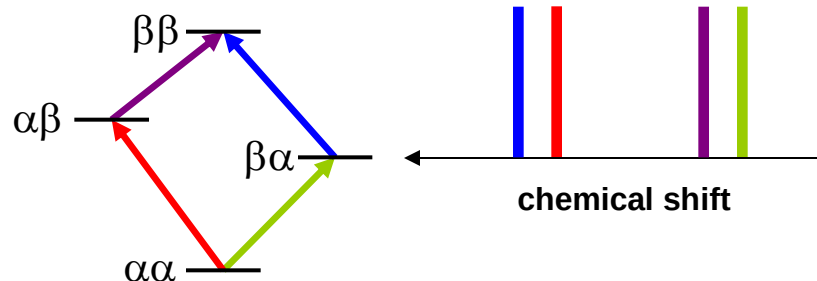
PASADENA: Parahydrogen And Synthesis Allow Dramatically Enhanced Nuclear Alignment (**p-H₂** incorporation inside the B_0 field)

hydrogenation of **propene** with para-enriched H₂

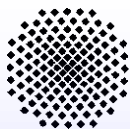
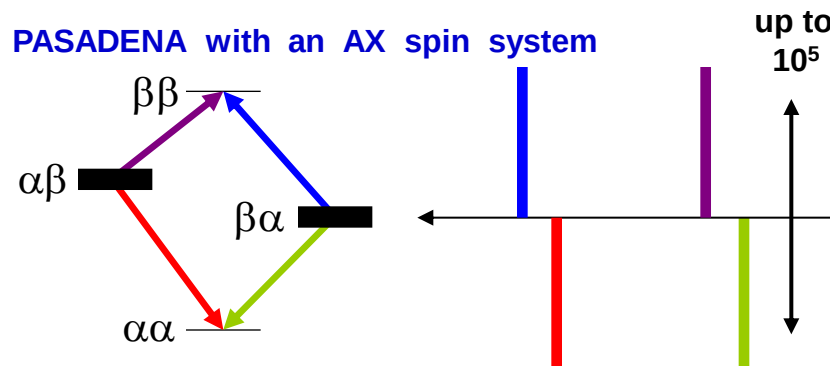


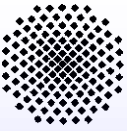
- pairwise incorporation of the two H atoms of a **p-H₂** causes a large non-equilibrium spin polarization
- ¹H MAS NMR signals due to a pairwise incorporation of **p-H₂** into reactants have typical antiphases (see Figure)

standard NMR of an AX spin system



PASADENA with an AX spin system





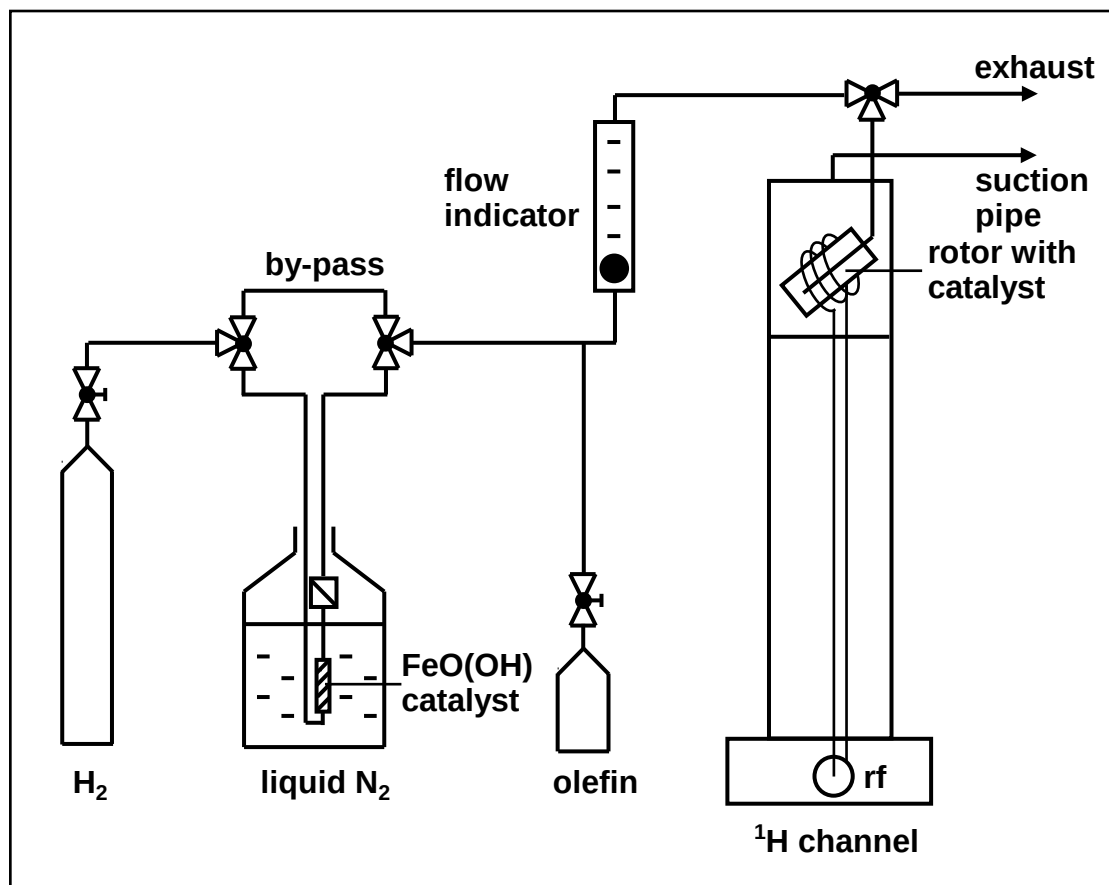
CF MAS NMR of parahydrogen-induced polarization (PHIP)

PASADENA: Parahydrogen And Synthesis Allow Dramatically Enhanced Nuclear Alignment ($p\text{-H}_2$ incorporation inside the B_0 field)

Equipment for *in situ* ^1H CF

MAS NMR studies of PHIP:

- at $\nu_0 = 400.13$ MHz, $\nu_{\text{rot}} = 3$ kHz, $\pi/4$ pulses, NS = 96, D1 = 0.1 s,
- modified Bruker 7 mm MAS NMR probe,
- para : ortho ratio of 1 : 1 using a tube filled with FeO(OH) (Sigma-Aldrich) placed in liquid nitrogen,
- hydrogen and propene flows of 25 ml/min (1 : 1).

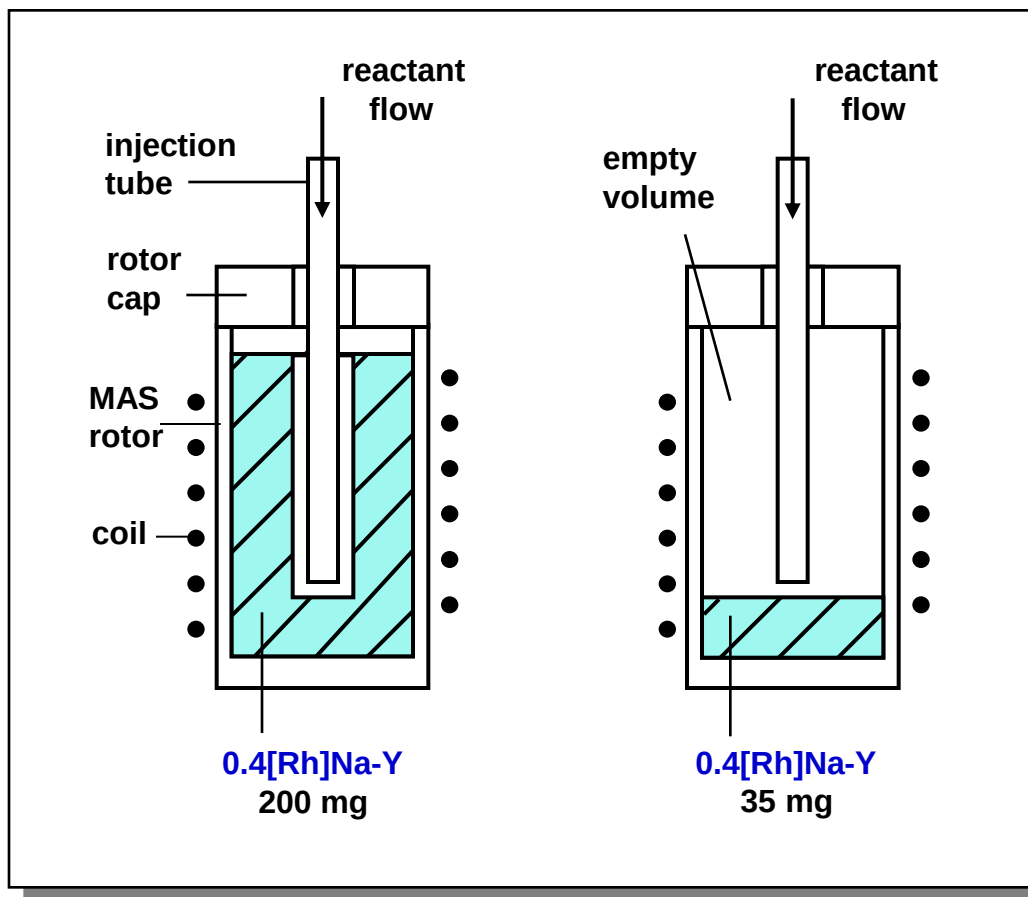


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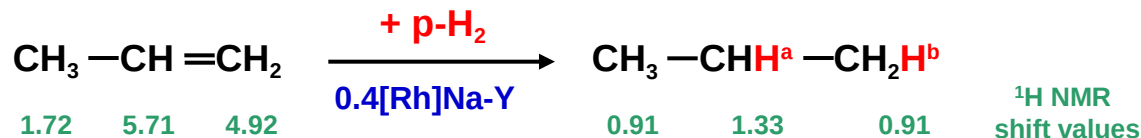
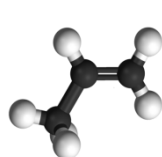
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hydrogenation catalysts:

- zeolite Na-Y ($n_{\text{Si}}/n_{\text{Al}} = 2.7$), Degussa AG, Germany, crystal size of ca. 1 μm ,
- modification with rhodium(III) chloride hydrate ($\text{RhCl}_3 \times \text{H}_2\text{O}$) for preparing zeolite $0.4[\text{Rh}]\text{Na-Y}$ with 0.4 wt.-% Rh (0.5 Rh/u.c.),
- pressed and sieved to particles with diameters of 0.2 to 0.3 mm,
- reduced in flowing hydrogen (100 ml/min) at 653 K for 2 h,
- catalytic experiments performed with 200 and 35 mg of reduced $0.4[\text{Rh}]\text{Na-Y}$ (right-hand side).

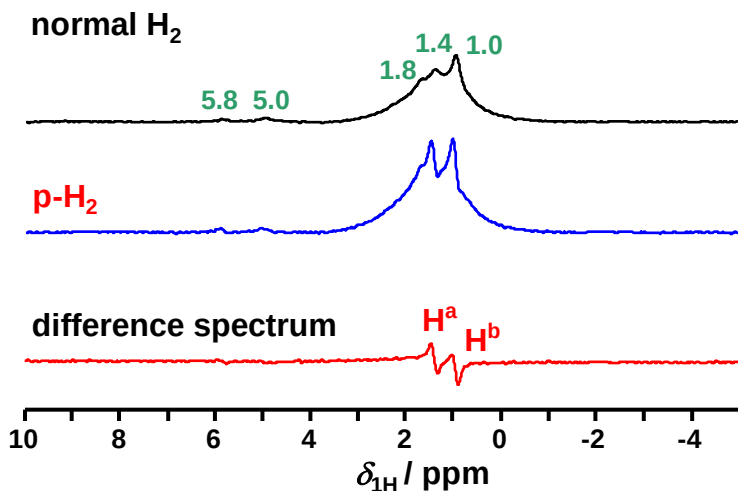


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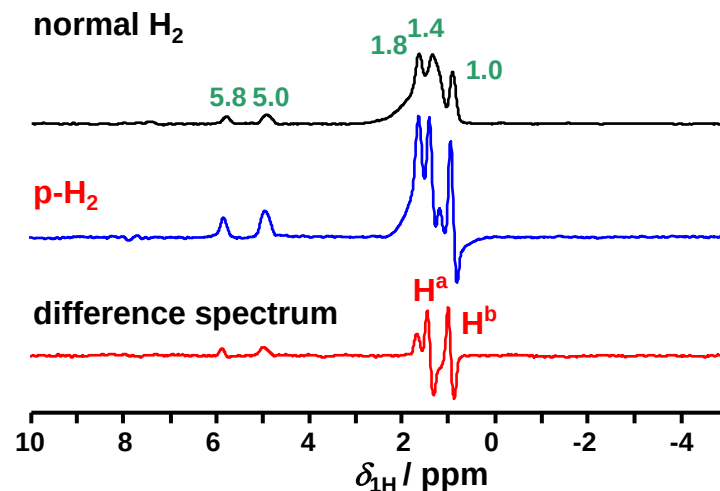


in situ ¹H CF MAS NMR investigation of PHIP at $T = 295 \text{ K}$

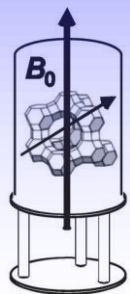
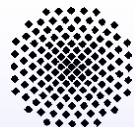
0.4[Rh]Na-Y (200 mg) + H₂ / **propene** (1 : 1)



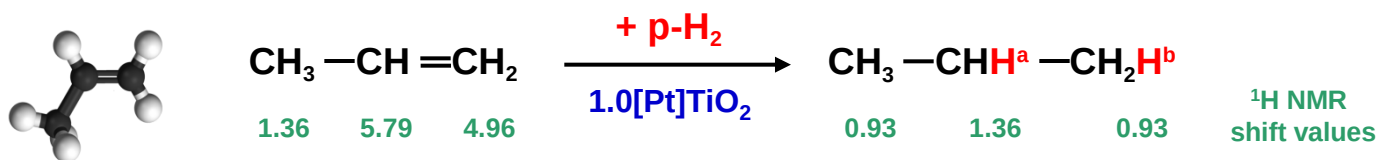
0.4[Rh]Na-Y (35 mg) + H₂ / **propene** (1 : 1)



- occurrence of a pairwise incorporation of p-H₂ into **propene** on zeolite 0.4[Rh]Na-Y
- rapid relaxation of hyperpolarization inside the catalyst bed is a serious limitation

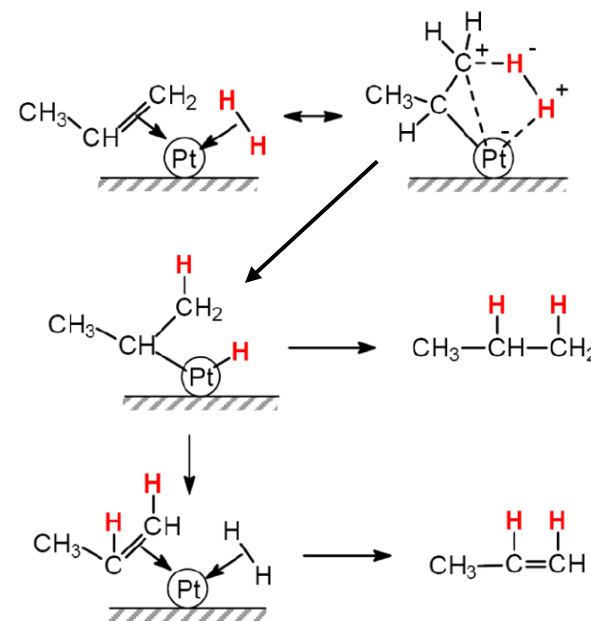
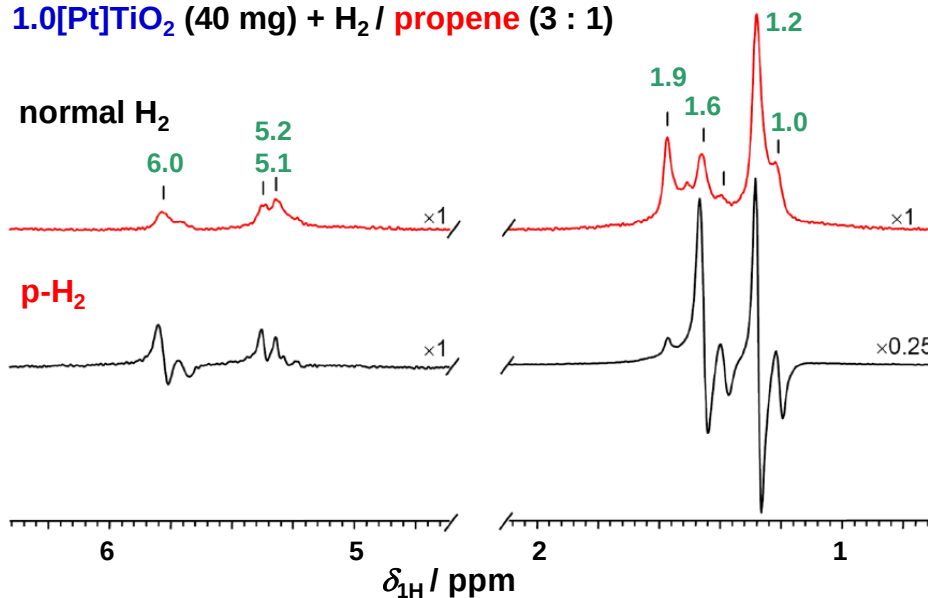


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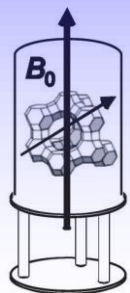
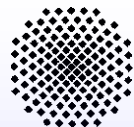


in situ ¹H CF MAS NMR investigation of PHIP at $T = 340$ K

1.0[Pt]TiO₂ (40 mg) + H₂ / **propene** (3 : 1)



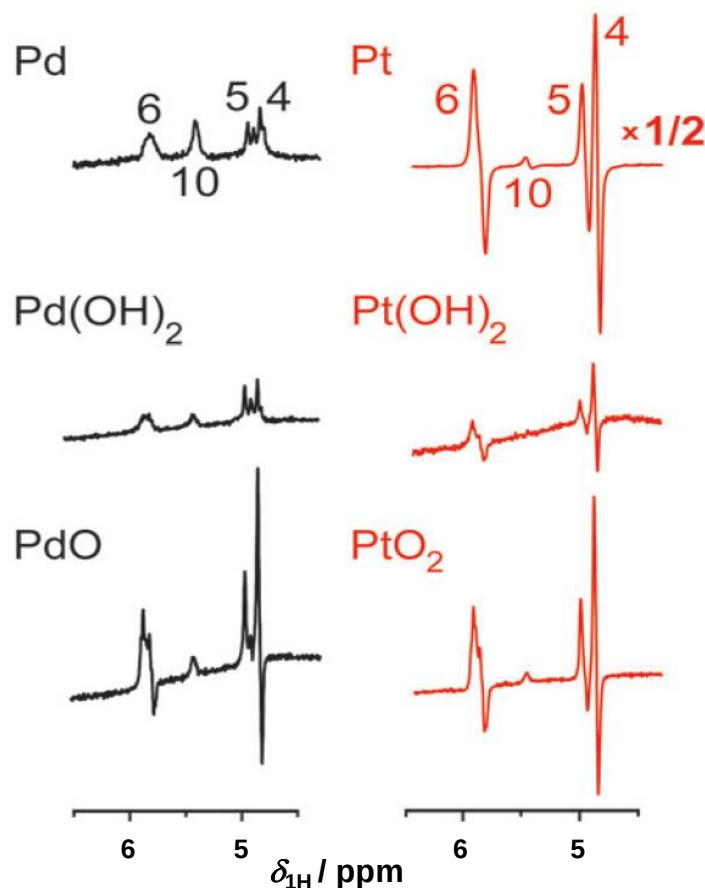
- signals of hyperpolarized ¹H nuclei mainly caused by propane in gas phase,
- weak hyperpolarization of propene by selective H/H exchange at C=C double bonds.



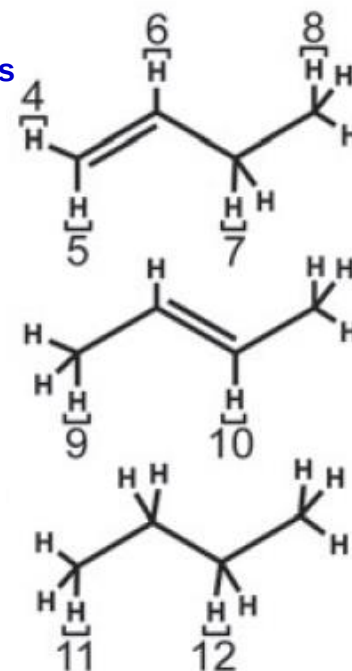
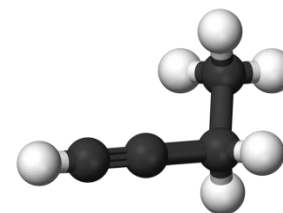
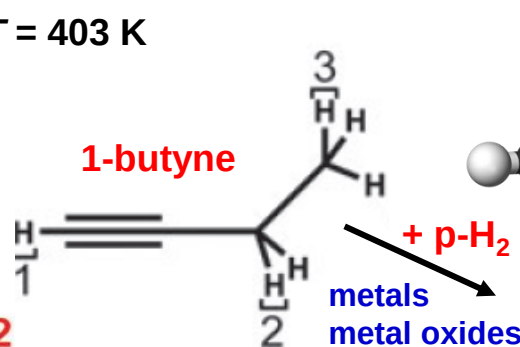
Static NMR of parahydrogen-induced polarization (PHIP)

static ^1H NMR investigation of PHIP at $T = 403\text{ K}$

metals and metal oxides + H_2 / 1-butyne

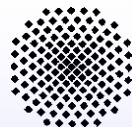


1-butyne



strongest PHIP effects:

- on metallic platinum black for 1-butyne,
- on platinum(II) oxide for other substrates, such as acrolein.



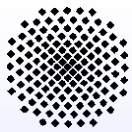
Conditions of PASADENA experiments on solids

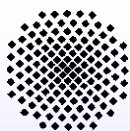
- pairwise incorporation of p-H₂ into the reactants is required for reaching hyperpolarization (isolated hydrogenation sites since?),
- highly mobile product molecules having low relaxation rate (→ low number of strong adsorption sites; large pores; sites at outer particle surface; elevated temperature),
- the A₂ spin system must be converted into an AX spin system (chemically non-equivalent H atoms),
- high ratio of $\Delta\omega/J$ improves the observability of the anti-phase signals,
- excitation by $\phi = \pi/4$ pulses because of the density operator

$$\rho(\phi) \propto \cos(\phi)\sin(\phi) \cdot \mathcal{F}(I_1, I_2)$$
- no gaseous oxygen in the flow system (O₂ is paramagnetic; causes p-H₂ to o-H₂ conversion; relaxation of hyperpolarized reactants),
- p-H₂ : reactant ratio of > 1 and elevated temperature may accelerate hydrogenation with p-H₂,
- signal intensity has no explicit dependence on T inside the NMR probe since the enhancement factor

$$\eta = kT (1 - 4a) / (6\gamma_{\text{det}} \hbar B_0)$$

leads to an intensity proportional to $N\gamma_{\text{det}}^{3/2}B_0^{1/2}$ (a : p-H₂ content, γ_{det} : γ of detected nuclei)





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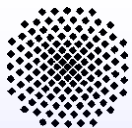
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