Searching for exotic spin dependent interactions by NV centers

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Outlines

Brief introduction about the NV centers
Experiments on searching for exotic spin dependent interactions

NITROGEN-VACANCY (NV) CENTERS





NV CENTERS AS QUANTUM SENSORS



SEARCHING FOR EXOTIC SPIN INTERACTIONS BEYOND THE STANDARD MODEL

- electron-nucleon monopole-dipole interaction
 - Nature Communications 9, 739 (2018)
- parity-odd spin- and velocity- dependent interaction
 - > arXiv:2009.09257 (2020)
- parity-even spin- and velocity- dependent interaction
 - arXiv:2010.15667 (2020)

Experimental Setup



Quantum interferometer based on NV center



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PROPERTIES OF THE NV CENTER



with depth less than 10 nm

EXPERIMENTAL PULSE SEQUENCE



 ϕ Phase shift due to the hypothetical interaction

EXPERIMENTAL RESULT WITHOUT THE NUCLEON SOURCE



No signal has been observed.

EXPERIMENTAL RESULT WITH THE NUCLEON SOURCE



When d = 1 μ m, Φ = 0.128(3) rad, the corresponding averaging magnetic field is \overline{b} = 51(1) nT. The dependency of the magnetic field \overline{b} on the velocity of the mass



This effect is velocity dependent.

The dependency of the magnetic field \overline{b} on the distance d.



ANALYSIS OF THE SOURCES OF THE MAGNETIC SIGNAL

• Tuning fork?

- Spins in the moving mass ?
- Diamagnetism of the moving mass?
- Electric charge on the moving mass?

TUNING FORK?



NO!

SPINS IN THE MOVING MASS?



Fused Silica (SiO ₂) [from Edmund Optics]	
Impurities (¹ H)	<0.1%
²⁹ Si	4.7 %
¹⁷ O	0.04 %

Under ambient condition, B = 473 Gauss, Polarization of ${}^{1}H \sim 3E10-4$ Polarization of ${}^{29}Si \sim 6.5E-5$

Effect due to the spins in the moving mass is negligible.

DIAMAGNETISM OF THE MOVING MASS?



The effect of the diamagnetism of the moving mass can be canceled by the spin echo sequence.

Considering the imperfection of the synchronization of the Hahn-echo sequence (less than 40 ns), the magnetic signal is less than 2.3E-7 nT, when $d = 1 \mu m$.

ELECTRIC CHARGE ON THE MOVING MASS?

Biot-savart law

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu}{4\pi} q \, \frac{\vec{v} \times \vec{r}}{r^3}$$

The electric charge on the moving mass will generate magnetic field on the NV center!

IF THE MAGNETIC SIGNAL IS FROM THE ELECTRIC CHARGE ON THE MOVING MASS, THEN



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 $E_z = 120 MV/cm$ $E_\perp = 160 MV/cm$

 E_z : electric field along NV axis E_\perp : electric field perpendicular to NV axis

Electrical breakdown occurs in the air when the dielectric strength of the air is exceeded. E=30kV/cm in the air at ambient condition will lead to break down. We have not observed such effect. We have to discuss the effect of such strong eclectic field on the NV center.

 $H_0 = \gamma \vec{B} \cdot \vec{S} + (D + d_{\parallel} E_z) S_z^2 - d_{\perp} E_x (S_x^2 - S_y^2) + d_{\perp} E_y (S_x S_y + S_y S_x)$

 $d_{//} = 0.35$ (2) Hz cm / V $d_{\perp} = 17$ (3) Hz cm / V Chem. Phys. Lett. 168, 529 (1990)



Electric charge on the moving mass?



If we use the charge on the moving mass to explain the dependency of the magnetic signal on the distance, the corresponding electric field is too strong.

- Electrical breakdown has not been observed.
- Resonance frequency shift due to such strong electric field has not been observed.

Thus we can exclude the electric charge on the moving mass as the source of the magnetic signal.

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- Electric charge on the moving mass? NO

• Exotic spin dependent interaction?

parity-even spin- and velocity- dependent interaction



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PRECISION OF OUR EXPERIMENT





SPECTRUM OF THE NEW BOSONS



Summary

- > NV centers can be a powerful platform for investigating new physics.
- Non-zero magnetic signal has been observed on the NV center with a moving mass.
- > Possible sources of this signal have been carefully analyzed.
- > A possible explanation of such magnetic signal could be a type of parity-even spin- and velocity- dependent interaction.

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