EPR imaging characterization of natural and synthetic materials

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Tomography (gr. tomos - layer, grapho - write)

Simple methods:

- anatomic
- linear X-ray



Computer methods:

- computed (CT, SCT)
- magnetic-resonance (MRT)
- positron-emission (PET)
- ultrasonic (US)
- laser
- electron-impedance

Introduction

Questions to be answered during report:

- What a magnetic-resonance phenomenon is?
- How can we obtain useful information from spectra?
- Which

Intro – subject review

- What is the aim of tomography actually for living science?
- T is an individual frame of knowledge with application in medicine, nanotechnology, chemistry and so on
- EPR imaging is the only method of inspection electron density distribution in a sample

Magnetic properties of atom Nucleus:

 $\vec{\mu} = \gamma \cdot \hbar \vec{I} = g_N \vec{I}$ $\vec{p} = \hbar \vec{I}$

has a spin momentum I
I = 0; 1/2; 1; 3/2...

Electron:

has a orbital momentum L
 L = 0; 1; 2; 3...

has a spin momentum S
S = 1/2

Magnetic properties of atom

Interaction with external field: $E = -(\vec{\mu}, \vec{H}) = -\mu H \cos \vartheta = -\mu_z H$







Energy levels of nucleus



Interaction energy: $E = -\gamma \cdot \hbar HI_z = -g_N \beta_N HI_z$

$$\beta_N = \frac{eh}{2Mc}$$

nuclear magneton

Energy levels of electron

MR theory – classification

- NMR
- Nuclei with non-zero nuclear spin (H)
- Ask help

- EPR
- Substance with odd number of e (¹H)
- Substance with unpaired es on valence shell without chem link (VO)
- Free radicals (mithilr)

MR theory – absorption line

- Which information can we obtain from EPR spectra?
- FS & HFS & SHFS
- g-factor
- Line width & line shape
- Integral intensity

MR theory – CW-method

- Block-scheme of spectrometer
- Sweeping magnetic field and synchronous detecting of signal
- First derivative form of absorption line
- Aims of sweeping field

MR theory – my examples

- Ask S.M. about good examples...
- in progress

Radon transformation

- 1. The methods of projection data acquisition;
- Means of tomographic images reconstruction:
 Back-projection algorithm;
 De-convolution algorithm;

3. Examples

Radon transformation

Equation of line I in x-y-frame:

 $x\cos\varphi + y\sin\varphi - s = 0$

Rotation of axes:

 $\begin{cases} x = x'\cos\varphi - y'\sin\varphi \\ y = y'\sin\varphi + y'\cos\varphi \end{cases}$



Equation of line I in new coordinates: x'-s=0

$$R(s,\varphi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(s\cos\varphi - y'\sin\varphi, s\sin\varphi + y'\cos\varphi)dy'$$
$$R(s,\varphi) = \int_{-\sqrt{a^2 - s^2}}^{-\infty} f(s\cos\varphi - y'\sin\varphi, s\sin\varphi + y'\cos\varphi)dy'$$

Radon image:

Radon transformation

2 Gauss impulses: $f(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^{2} \exp\left\{-\frac{(x - x_i)^2 + (y - y_i)^2}{2b^2}\right\}$





Back projection algorithm

Fixing the angel φ in R(s, φ)
 Stretch 1D function R(s, φ) in *x-y*-plane

Back-projected image: $R_{\varphi}(x, y) = R(x \cos \varphi + y \sin \varphi, \varphi)$

Summary image: $\hat{f}_{on}(x, y) = \int_{0}^{\pi} R(x \cos \varphi + y \sin \varphi, \varphi) d\varphi$





Back projection algorithm

Main disadvantage:

Image contrast is too low :(

- 1. Original phantom
- 2. Radon image (180 projection)
- 3. Back-projected phantom



Deconvolution algorithm

$$f(x, y) = \int_{0}^{\pi} \widetilde{R}(x\cos\varphi + y\sin\varphi, \varphi)d\varphi$$

$$\widetilde{R}(x\cos\varphi + y\sin\varphi, \varphi) = \widetilde{R}(s,\varphi) = \int_{-a}^{a} h(s_1)R(s-s_1,\varphi)ds_1$$
- Convolution product

$$h(s_1) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\omega| \cos(\omega s_1) d\omega$$

- Fourier image of $|\omega|$



EPR Imaging – experiment

- Summing up 2 theories
- Adding MF gradient
- Spectral line broadening, frequency coding
- Radon transform application

EPR Imaging - properties

- EPR imaging resolution (compare with MRI)
- Practical limitations

EPR Imaging – examples

- Radicals
- Applications to mineral samples (radiation defects)
- Skin experiments

Conclusion

- Development difficulty
- Limitations of using in vivo
- Further perspectives and so on