

Latest developments at Metrolab

# IMMW21 ESRF / Grenoble / France



#### PT2026

### A platform for NMR measurements

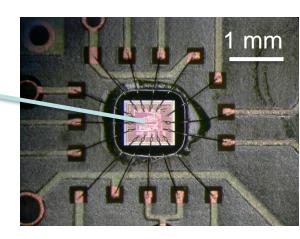
- Single-point & fast multi-point measurements.
- Large-bore (600 [mm] DSV) & small-bore (10 [mm] DSV) mapping.





# NMR integrated circuit (I)





A single-chip integrated transceiver for high field NMR magnetometry.

Grisi M, Conley GM, Sommer P, Tinembart J, Boero G



# NMR integrated circuit (II)

- Excellent S/N ratio.
- Prevent ferro-magnetic material to perturb the measurement.

Today's integrated circuits commonly use a lot of cheap IRON !!

Microcoil

50 um

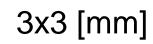
Low power consumption.

Low voltage drop over 100 [m] long cable.

- 3<sup>rd</sup> generation of NMR IC under development.
- Nowadays, EPFL is working on an IC with integrated micro-coil for high field measurements (Grisi, Boero et al.).

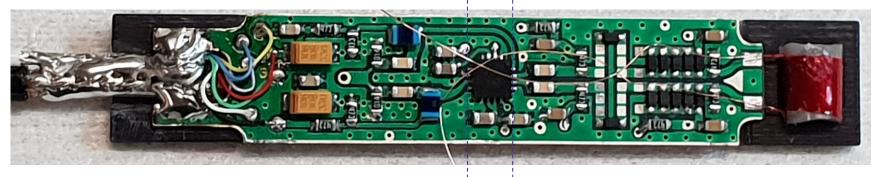


# NMR integrated circuit (III) Probe 1526 (to be released Q4/19)





Hall MV2



Standard probe 60 [mm] length, 10.5 [mm] width, 6 [mm] height / PCB coil Low field probe 63 [mm] length, 12.5 [mm] width, 9 [mm] height / Wound coil



# NMR integrated circuit (IV) Probe 1326 0.2-3 [T]

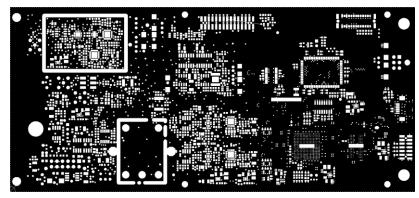
- Developed for Zack Wolf (SLAC) !
- One probe to cover 200 [mT] up to 3 [T].
  - 3 [T] upper limit limited by our access to high field magnets.
  - No matching / tuning circuit.
  - Needs homogeneous field (better than 1000 ppm/cm).
- Dynamic of 3 is due to the matching / tuning circuit.
- Varactors C<sub>T1</sub>/C<sub>T28</sub> ~ 20
  - Dynamic range: Theoretical 5, experimental 4, guaranteed 3.
  - Upper limit of a probe range divided by 3 => probe dynamic range.
  - Measured probe dynamic range might be higher, no guarantee for the S/N ratio.



### NMR Explorer

#### Targeting high speed NMR

- Using the properties of the analytic signal I+jQ
  - Prone to error, very noisy => lot of work !!!
- Using a specific pulse sequence
- Goal : kHz measurement rate
- First tests at Metrolab in 2017; Collaboration with the Robinson Research Institute (Wellington / New Zealand) will start 01/2020.



New PCB currently under development





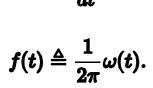
## **NMR Explorer**

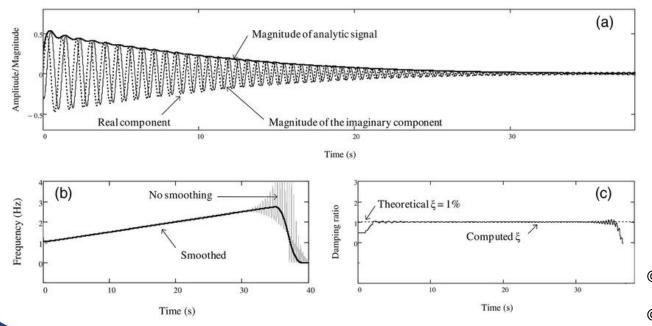
#### Measurement principle

The time derivative of the unwrapped instantaneous phase has units of radians/second, and is called the instantaneous angular frequency:

$$\omega(t) \triangleq rac{d\phi}{dt}(t).$$

The instantaneous frequency (in hertz) is therefore:





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<u>University of Waterloo</u> (Picture)

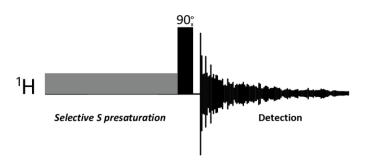
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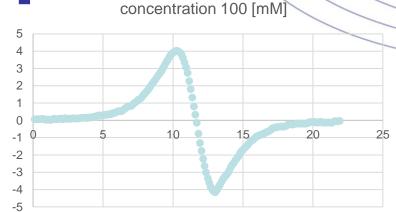
# Low field NMR measurements Targeting NMR @ 1 [mT] ESR resonnance @ 9 [GHz]

Using the Nuclear Overhauser Effect (NOE)

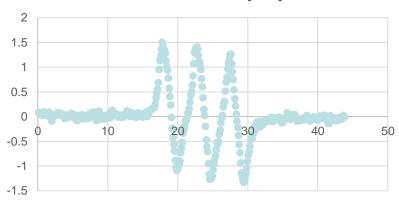
A phenomenological definition of the NOE in <u>nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy</u> (NMR) is the change in the integrated intensity of one NMR resonance that occurs when another is saturated by irradiation with an RF field.



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ESR resonnance @ 9 [GHz] concentration 10 [mM]

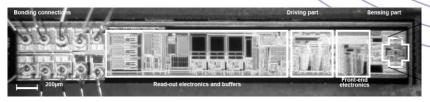


Measurement made @ EPFL / Boero, Tinembart

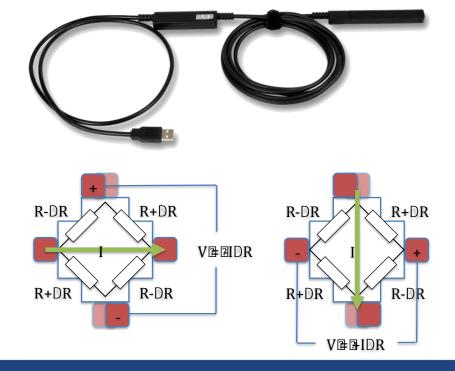


### Integrated Hall Probe

- Integrated current source and amplifier
- Integrated temperature sensor
- "Spinning current" to minimize offset, Planar Hall Effect, and noise



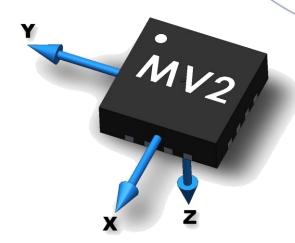
Credit: presentation by D. Popovic (Senis) at IMMW-14





# MagVector<sup>TM</sup> MV2

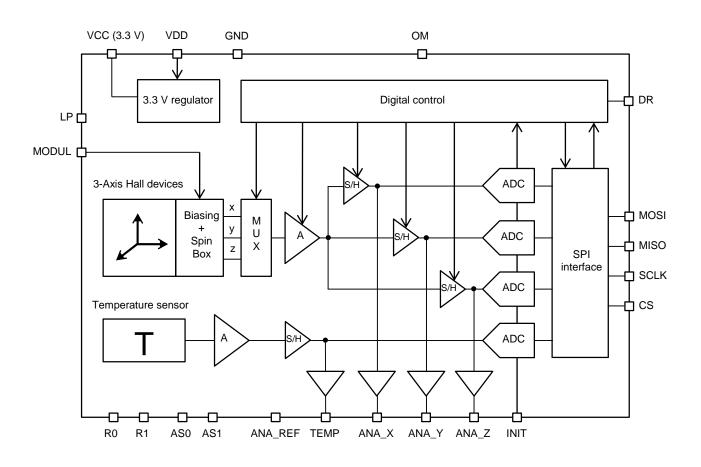
- Integrated ADC
  - Digital interface
- Advantages:
  - Minimize system complexity & cost
  - Minimize errors from inductive voltages
  - Additional controls
  - Sensor arrays feasible
- Disadvantages:
  - ADC performance



An evaluation kit exists!
It comes with a price but with a lot of support, don't hesitate to call us!



## **MV2** Architecture



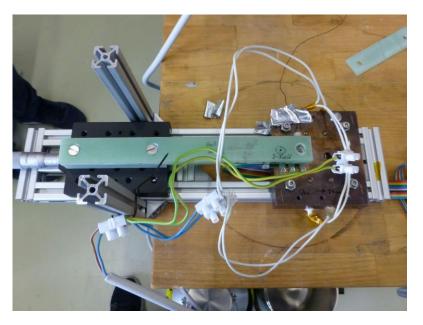


# **MV2 In Cryo conditions**

The first cryo tests were made by Alexander Warth / GSI and confirmed by Andreas Grau / KIT



Andreas Grau depicted with his setup

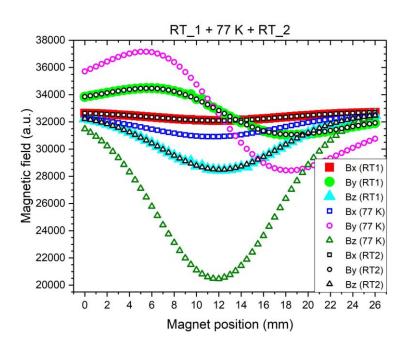


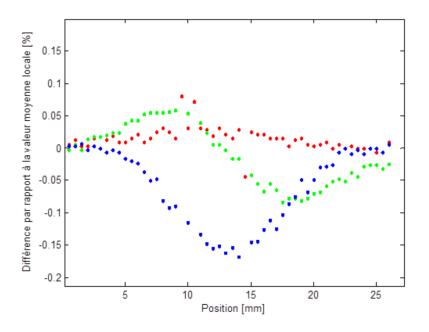




# MV2 In Cryo conditions (II)

#### Andreas Grau's measurements





Difference between measurement taken at RT\_1 and RT\_2 RT\_1 & RT\_2 varies by 0.5 %



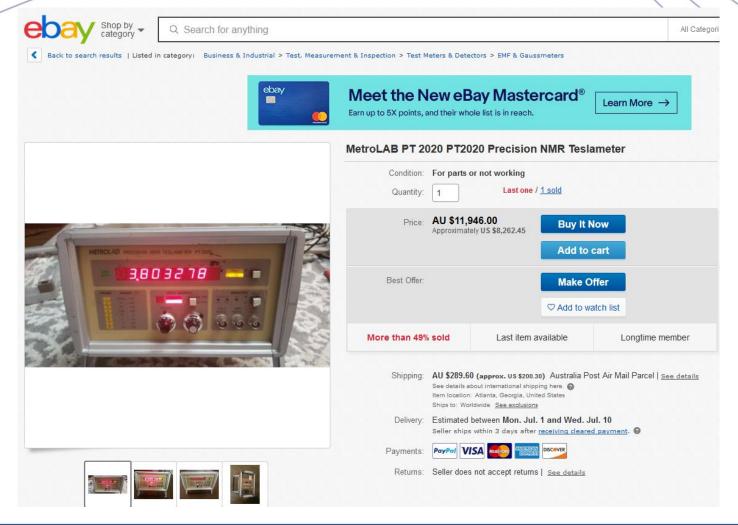
#### PT2025: End of an Era

- End of life notified September 27<sup>th</sup> 2018.
- 30 years of good service.
- Probes 1062 & 1082, mux. 2030 and cables still available.
- Discontinued product repaired for two years. Then on a "best effort" basis.
- Calibration can still be performed for the instrument's lifetime.





# PT2025 2<sup>nd</sup> source : eBay !





## Metrolab: Management buyout

- Pascal & Philip to progressively diminish their activities.
- 40% of the shares still owned by Metrolab's employees.



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Renaissance finance la reprise par le management de la société Metrolab

La fondation de placement
Renaissance et le management
de Metrolab s'allient et reprennent
l'ensemble du capital de la société
dans le cadre d'un Management
Buy-Out (MBO). M. Pascal Sommer,
fondateur de la société, demeure
Président du Conseil d'administration.
Cette étape assure la continuité de
l'activité pour les collaborateurs et les
clients de l'entreprise.

#### Metrolab Technology SA leader mondial des magnétomètres de haute précision

Metrolab a été créée en 1985 avec l'objectif de mesurer les champs magnétiques avec une très haute précision. Outre les systèmes dédiés à l'IRM, Metrolab fabrique différents types de magnétomètres capables d'évaluer les variations et les orientations des champs.

Aujourd'hui, Metrolab est devenu leader mondial dans son domaine de haute technologie et conçoit différents types d'appareils pour de prestigieux clients répartis à travers le monde, fabricants d'IRM et laboratoires de physique.

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