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How is information encoded into the average Xe chemical shift?

The Xe chemical shift encodes any structural or dynamic information that depends on:

- Electronic structure of the neighbors with which the Xe is in contact
- How many neighbor atoms, at what distances
- How long the Xe atom stays in contact

Electronic structure of neighbors with which the Xe is in contact

At the corresponding distances, ab initio calculations show that **the magnitude of Xe shielding response** drops off with polarizability in the order:

For one neighbor atom

Ab initio calculations show the Xe shielding response depends on the distance of the neighbor atom.

A mathematical description of a large number of ab initio values as a function of R(Xe-A) is: (for A = Xe or Kr or Ar or Ne)

$$\sigma_{Xe} (r_{Xe-A}) = a_6 r^{-6} + a_8 r^{-8} + a_{10} r^{-10} + a_{12} r^{-12}$$

the shielding response drops off very steeply with distance

How many neighbor atoms, at what distances?

For a single instantaneous configuration, the Xe shielding response is **nearly** additive.

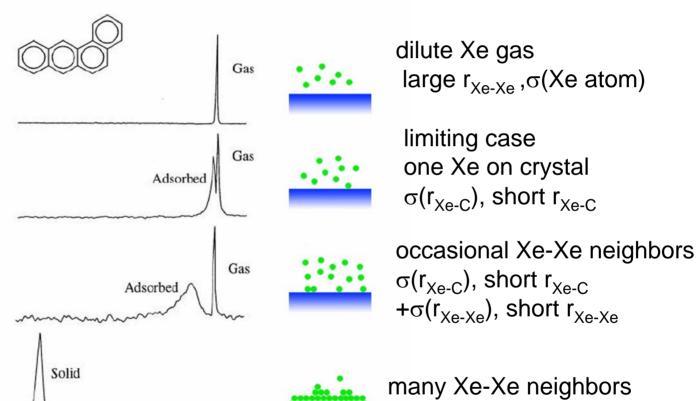
For example, the ab initio Xe shielding for Xe surrounded by some number of Ne atoms (in circles or helices) is found to be nearly the same as the **sum** of the ab initio Xe-Ne shieldings at those Xe-Ne distances

How long the Xe atom stays in contact, i.e., what fraction of the time a particular Xe-neighbor configuration is found

- Probability of finding Xe at a particular location depends on the intermolecular potential functions between Xe and the neighbor atoms.
- This too can be assumed to be additive and distance dependent within a grand canonical Monte Carlo simulation.

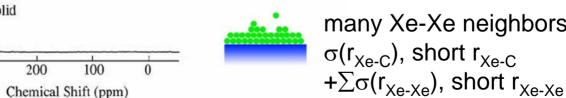
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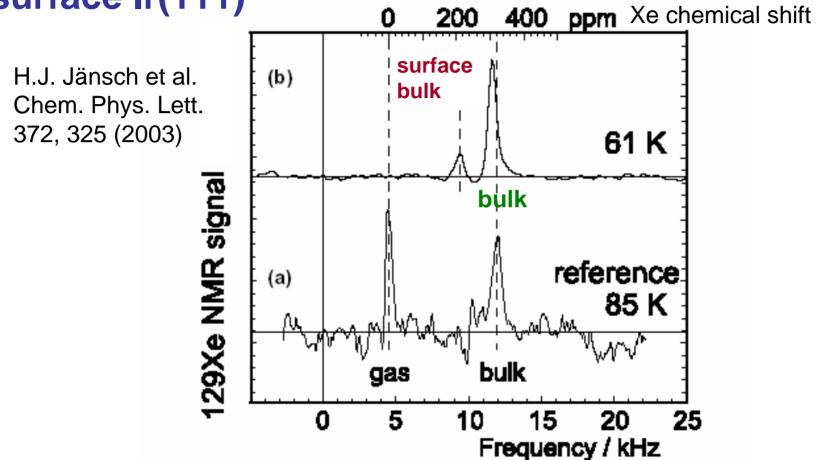
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Xe on single crystal surfaces EXPERIMENTS by Heinz Jänsch

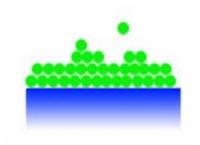
- Xe at the surface of bulk xenon has a different signal than Xe in the bulk
- Xe can tell which surface it is in contact with
- Xe can tell how many other Xe are on the same surface
- The chemical shift tensor can be mapped out by rotating the single crystal in the magnetic field

Bulk Xe on the surface of a single crystal metal surface Ir(111)



The Xe atoms on the surface of the bulk Xe appear at 209 ppm while Xe in the middle of the bulk is at 321 ppm

QUALITATIVELY



How many neighbor atoms?

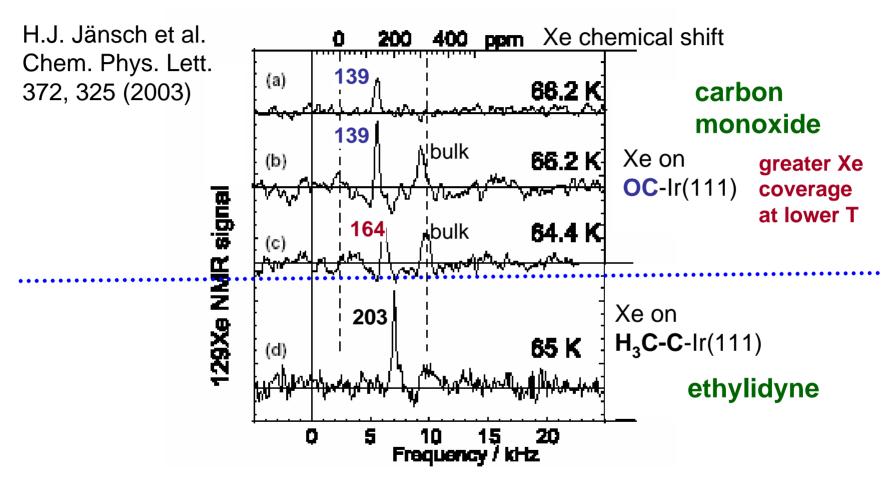
 Xe atoms on the <u>surface</u> of the bulk Xe appear at 209 ppm

$$\sigma = \sum \sigma(r_{\text{Xe-Xe}}) \text{ nearest (short } r_{\text{Xe-Xe}}) \text{ neighbors }$$
 are below and in same plane.

 Xe in the middle of the bulk appear at 321 ppm

$$\sigma = \sum \sigma(r_{Xe-Xe})$$
 nearest neighbors are below, above, and in same plane.

Xe on a chemically modified metal surface



Xe can tell the difference between OC and H_3C-C surfaces. Xe can tell how many other Xe atoms are on the same surface.

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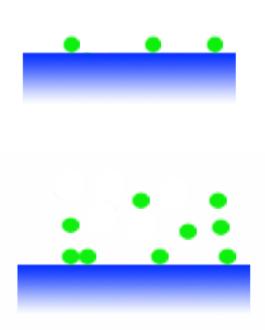
Xe @OC-Ir(111):

• At low Xe coverage, $\sigma = \sum \sigma(r_{Xe-O}) \text{ only}$



$$\sigma = \sum \sigma(r_{Xe-O}) + \sum \sigma(r_{XeXe})$$

once in a while, Xe runs into other Xe

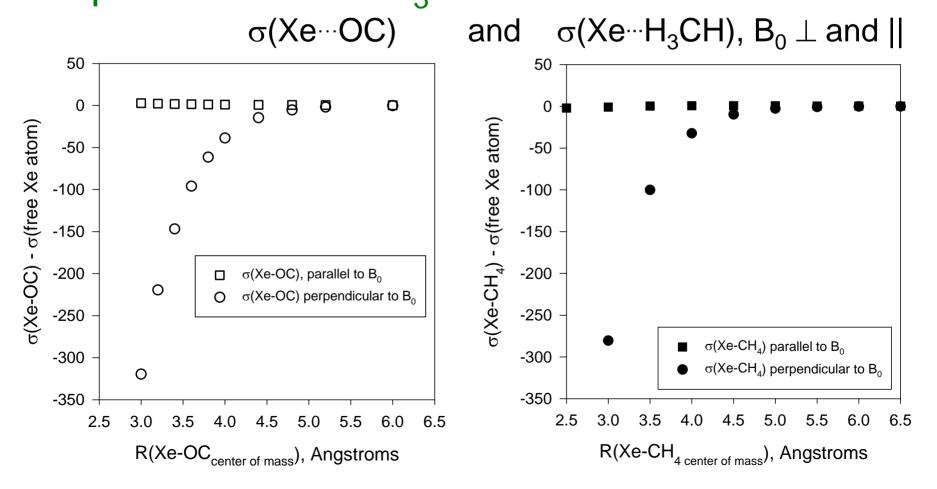


Xe can tell the difference between OC and H₃CC surfaces

- At low Xe coverage, $\sigma = \sum \sigma(r_{Xe-O})$
- or $\sigma = \sum \sigma(r_{Xe-H3C})$
- intrinsic shielding response from Xe-OC is greater than the shielding response from Xe-H₃C at same distance
- however, potential functions permit Xe to stay closer to H₃C than OC, resulting in larger average Xe chemical shifts for the same coverage at the same temperature

Xe SHIELDING RESPONSE

At same Xe-C distance, shielding response from Xe-OC interaction is greater than shielding response from Xe-H₃C

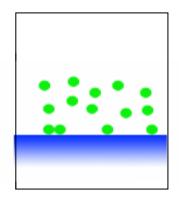


Xe POTENTIAL FUNCTIONS

- Potential functions permit Xe to stay closer in the configuration $Xe^{...}H_3CH$ (r_{min} =4.05 Å, ϵ/k_B = 282 K) compared to Xe...OC (r_{min} =4.25 Å, ϵ/k_B = 177 K)
- Xe-Xe pair distribution function determined by $r_{min} = 4.36 \text{ Å } \epsilon/k_B = 282 \text{ K}$

Shielding response and interaction potential both favor larger chemical shifts for Xe on ethylidyne-compared to CO-covered surface

GCMC simulations of Xe on surfaces

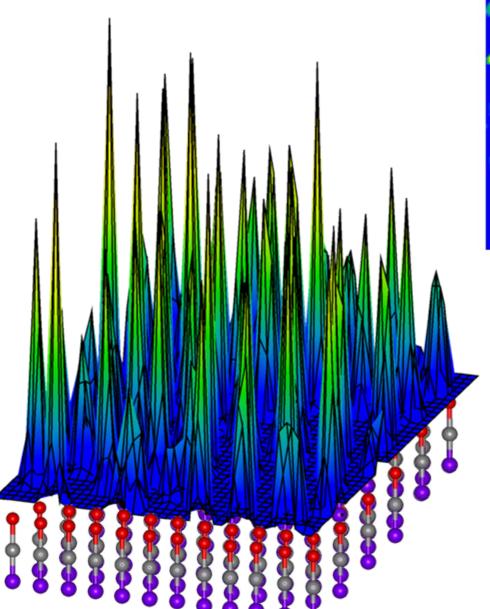


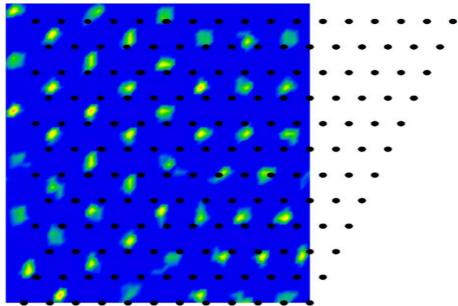
Xe on model surfaces Grand canonical Monte Carlo

- Xe on a –CO monolayer
 [using ab initio σ(Xe-Xe) and σ(Xe-CO) tensor functions]
- ¹²⁹Xe in a xenon sheet
 [using ab initio σ(Xe-Xe) tensor function]

Deduce Xe coverage (θ_{Xe}) from observed chemical shift?

PROBABILITY of finding Xe at various locations

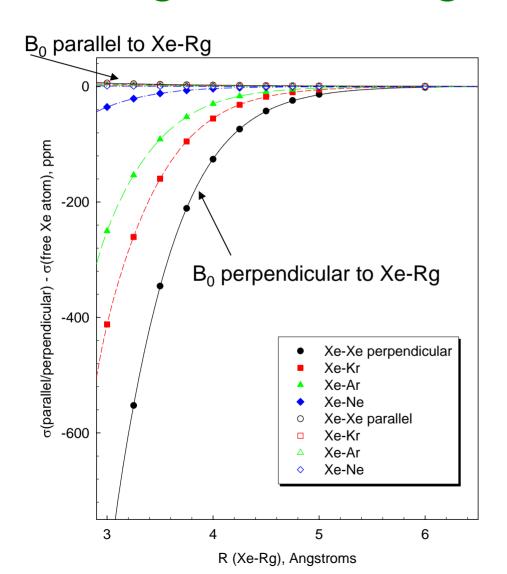


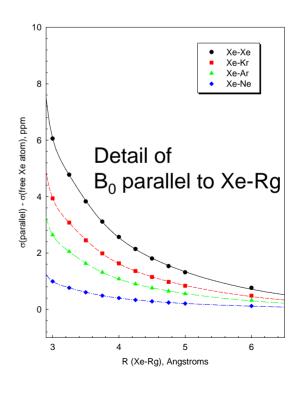


One-body distribution function for Xe@CO monolayer θ_r = 1.0 on Ir(111) from grand canonical Monte Carlo simulations

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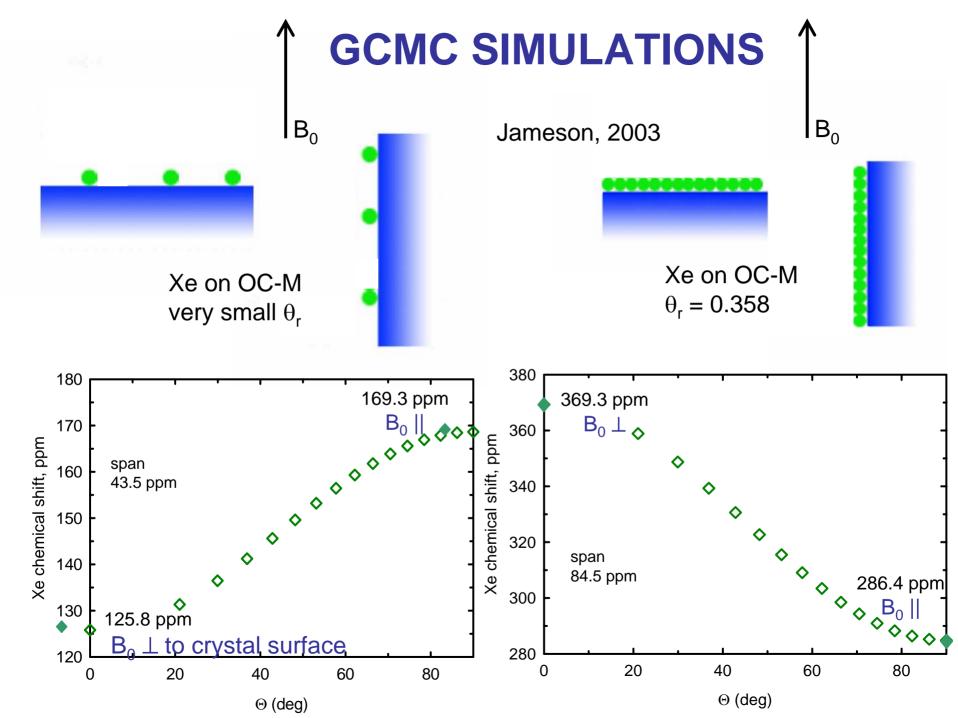
The Xe SHIELDING RESPONSE changes with magnetic field direction





The chemical shift tensor can be mapped out by rotating the single crystal in the magnetic field

- Our GCMC simulations predict the average Xe chemical shift tensor
- Component along the field direction is qualitatively predictable from knowing only the numbers and types of neighbors that Xe has in the plane containing the Xe atom in question and perpendicular to the field direction



GCMC SIMULATIONS B₀

Low	Xe	coverage,	θ_{r}
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Xe chemical shift tensor component	$\begin{array}{c} \text{Xe on} \\ \text{OC-M} \\ \text{very small} \\ \theta_{\text{r}} \end{array}$	
B ₀ normal to surface	125.8 ppm	
B ₀ parallel to surface	169.3, 168.6	
span _{CALCD}	43.5	

Results relative to free Xe atom

Xe chemical shift tensor component	total chemical shift tensor Xe on OC-M $\theta_r = 0.358$	chemical shift tensor Xe sheet alone
B ₀ normal to surface	369.3 ppm	243.5 ppm
B ₀ parallel to surface	286.4, 284.8	117.2, 116.2
span _{CALCD}	84.5	127.3

High Xe coverage

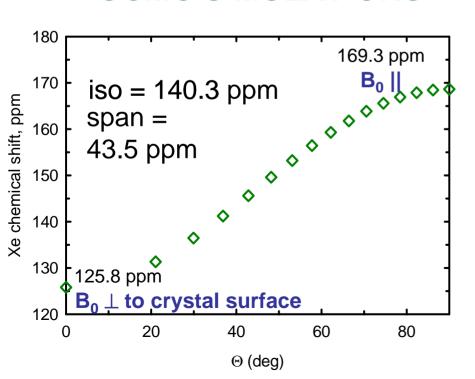
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Comparison with Jänsch's experiments

Xe on OCIr(111) very small θ_r

GCMC SIMULATIONS



Xe on OCIr(111) small θ_r

EXPERIMENTS

iso = 165.2 ppmspan = 56.7 ppm

the same angle dependence

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CONCLUSIONS

- Difference between CO and ethylidyne is predictable from isolated Xe-OC, Xe-H₃CH shielding response
- Dependence on crystal orientation in the field is reproduced. For sample geometry, the dominant Xe dimer is, respectively, perpendicular (Xe-O) or parallel (Xe-Xe) to the crystal surface
- Can deduce Xe coverage from chemical shift, very sensitive because each Xe-Xe contribution larger than Xe-OC or Xe-H₃C

GENERAL CONCLUSIONS

- The Xe NMR chemical shift is <u>exquisitely sensitive</u> to the environment in which the Xe atom finds itself.
- Encoded in the intrinsic shielding response surface is the electronic structure of the system (a supermolecule or a crystal fragment) as a function of nuclear configuration.
- The dynamic averaging encodes further information about the nuclear environment into the observed chemical shift.
- It is possible to use a combination of quantum mechanical calculations and grand canonical Monte Carlo simulations in model systems in order to understand the Xe chemical shifts. From such understanding may come some insight into the encoded information in more complex, real-world systems.

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