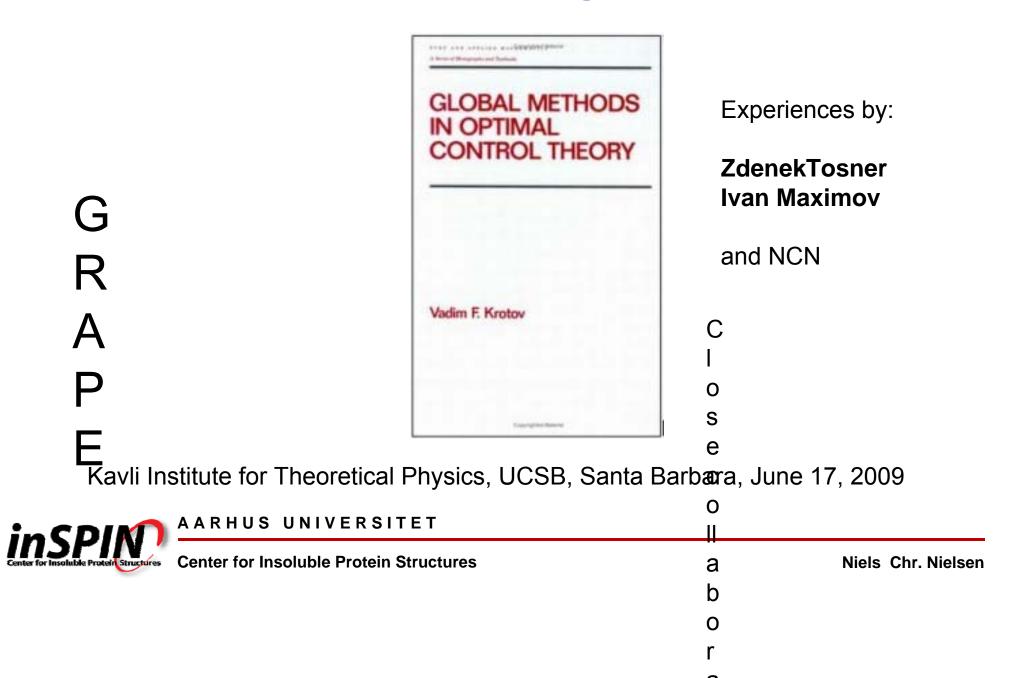
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Optimal control of coupled spin dynamics: design of NMR pulse sequences by gradient ascent algorithms

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Optimal control in relation to magnetic resonance: **KROTOV**

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Optimal control design of NMR and dynamic nuclear polarization experiments using monotonically convergent algorithms

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Issues in comparison:

- Convenience of use
- Computational time
- Robustness with respect to outcome
- Sensitivity towards starting guesses
- Sensitivity towards local minima
- Running cost issues
- Challenges with respect to system dimensionalities



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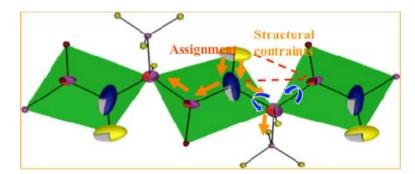
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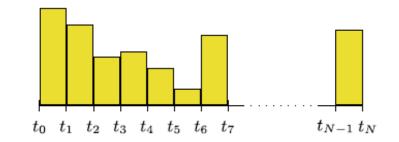
Optimal control design of NMR experiments

- improved sensitivity
- band selective operation
- less rf power consumption

 $\rho_f = U \rho_i U^+$

Kehlet et al, JACS, 2004 Maximov et al, J. Chem. Phys., 2008 Tosner et al, J. Magn. Reson. 2009



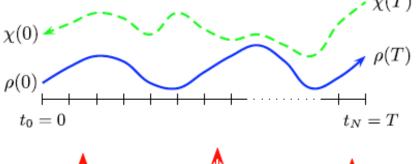


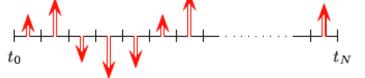
Optimal control => Design of \overline{U}

Cost function:

$$J_i = \phi_i - \lambda \int_0^T \sum_k u_k^2(t) \mathrm{dt}$$

State to State or optimization of U or H_{eff}







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Spin Hamiltonian

$$H(t) = H_{int}(t) + \sum_{k} \omega_k(t) H_k$$

Target functional

$$\begin{split} J &= \Phi_i - \lambda \int_0^T \sum_k \omega_k^2(t) dt \\ \textit{efficiency} \qquad \textit{penalty on rf power} \end{split}$$

Transfer between Hermitian operators ρ_0 and C

Transfer between non-Hermitian operators

Synthesis of desired propagator U_D

 $\Phi_{1} = \operatorname{Tr} \left\{ C^{\dagger} U(T) \rho_{0} U^{\dagger}(T) \right\}$ $\Phi_{2} = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \operatorname{Tr} \left\{ C^{\dagger} U(T) \rho_{0} U^{\dagger}(T) \right\} \right\}$ $\Phi_{3} = \left| \operatorname{Tr} \left\{ C^{\dagger} U(T) \rho_{0} U^{\dagger}(T) \right\} \right|^{2}$ $\Phi_{4} = \left| \operatorname{Tr} \left\{ U_{D}^{\dagger} U(T) \right\} \right|^{2}$

The problem is solved by Lagrange method using adjoint variable B(t)

$$\frac{d}{dt}B(t) = -iH(t)B(t) \qquad B(T) = \frac{\partial \Phi_i}{\partial U(T)}$$

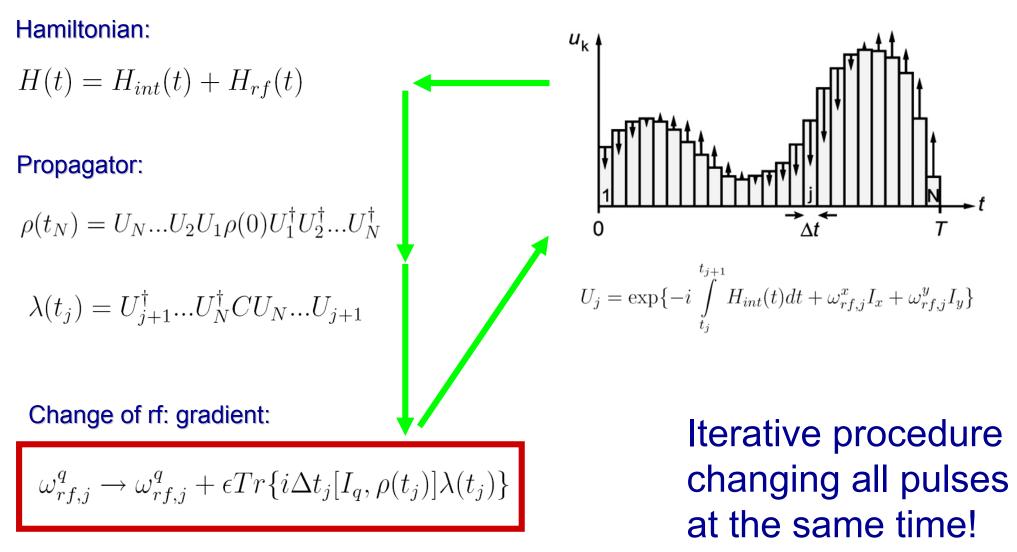
For Krotov algorithm, corrections in Φ_i (*i*=1,2,3) are necessary [1]

$$\Phi_i' = \Phi_i + \kappa \mathrm{Tr} \left\{ U^{\dagger}(T) U(T) \right\}$$

Equation of motion

$$\frac{d}{dt}U(t)=-iH(t)U(t)$$

A gradient based approach to optimal control: The GRAPE algorithm



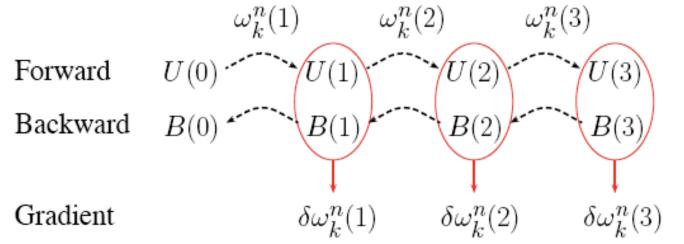
Khaneja, Glaser et al.

Flow of calculations: **GRAPE**

GRAPE

delayed feedback

Optimal pulse sequence parameters $\omega_k(t)$ are obtained in "steepest ascent" manner. It updates $\omega_k(t)$ along the direction determined by gradient of the functional J (details in Ref. [2]).



$$\omega_k^{n+1}(t) = \omega_k^n(t) + \alpha \delta \omega_k^n(t)$$

\alpha determined by line-search
\Rightarrow REPEATED EVALUATION
OF THE FUNCTIONAL



Another monotonic convergence method: The KROTOV algorithm

In each step we perform both Forward and Backward calculation.

 δ and η is algorithm unifying parameters

Tannor: $\delta = 1; \eta = 0$

Zhu, Rabitz: δ=1; η=1

$$\begin{split} \frac{d}{dt}U_n(t) &= -i\bigg[H_0 + \sum_k \omega_{k,n}(t)I_k\bigg]U_n(t),\\ U_n(0) &= \mathbf{1},\\ \omega_{k,n}(t) &= (1-\delta)\widetilde{\omega}_{k,n-1}(t) + \frac{\delta}{\lambda}\operatorname{Im}\{\operatorname{Tr}[B_{n-1}^{\dagger}(t)I_kU_n(t)]\},\\ \frac{d}{dt}B_n(t) &= -i\bigg[H_0 + \sum_k \widetilde{\omega}_{k,n}(t)I_k\bigg]B_n(t),\\ B_n(T) &= \frac{\partial\phi_4}{\partial U(T)} = U_D\operatorname{Tr}[U_D^{\dagger}U_n(T)],\\ \widetilde{\omega}_{k,n}(t) &= (1-\eta)\omega_{k,n}(t) + \frac{\eta}{\lambda}\operatorname{Im}\{\operatorname{Tr}[B_n^{\dagger}(t)I_kU_n(t)]\}, \end{split}$$



Flow of calcuations: **KROTOV**

Krotov algorithm

immediate feedback

Iteratively solves optimality conditions (given by Pontryagin maximum principle) in self-consistent manner. There are explicit formulas for optimal pulse sequence parameters $\omega_k(t)$ (details in Ref. [1]).

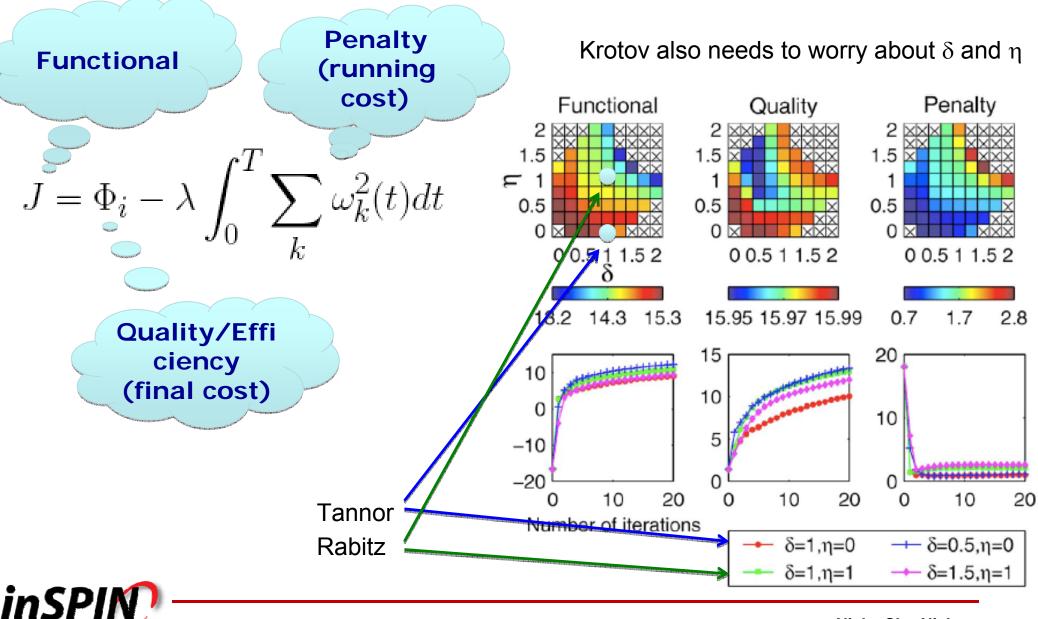
 forward and backward propagations done with separate rf parameters

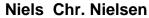
• mixing controled by parameters δ and η

Advantage: NO EVALUATION OF THE FUNCTIONAL!!!



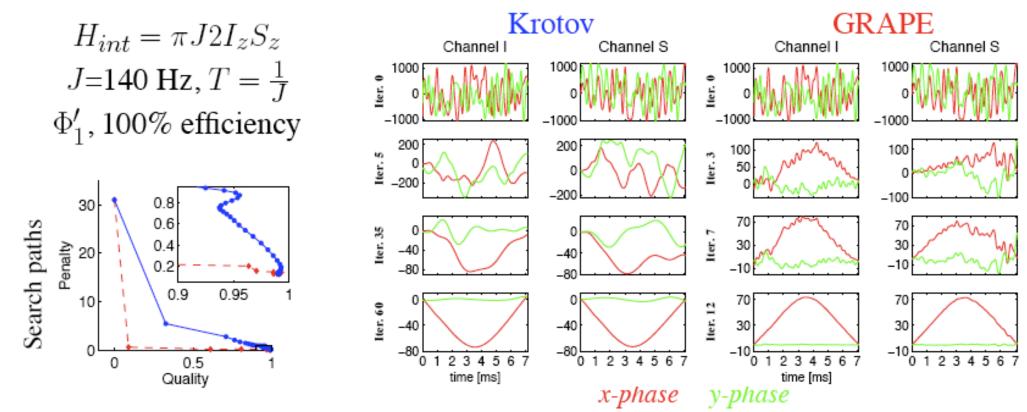
Evaluation criteria: Many sides of the coin





Transfer between operators

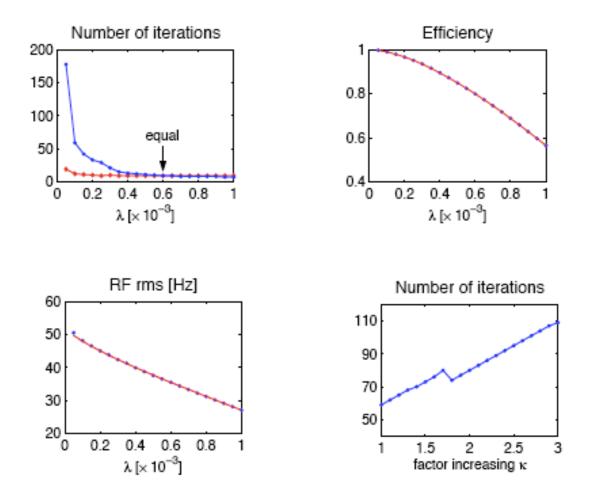
<u>Goal</u>: pulse sequence with minimal rf power for efficient transfer of polarization $I_x \rightarrow S_x$ in two spin-1/2 system with weak J-coupling.



GRAPE and Krotov algorithms take different paths to essentially the same result. Effective Hamiltonian of the pulse sequence is $\overline{H} = \pi J (I_z S_z + I_y S_y) + \beta (I_x + S_x)$



Transfer between operators

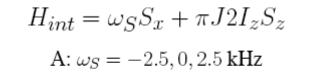


When rf penalty parameter λ is increased Krotov algorithm converges faster and is eventually faster than GRAPE. Increasing κ slows down the algorithm.

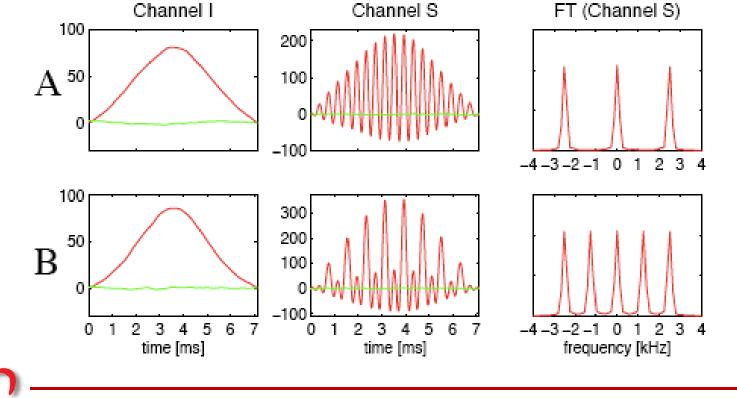


BroadbandOptimization

<u>Goal:</u> single pulse sequence optimal for a set of spin system parameters



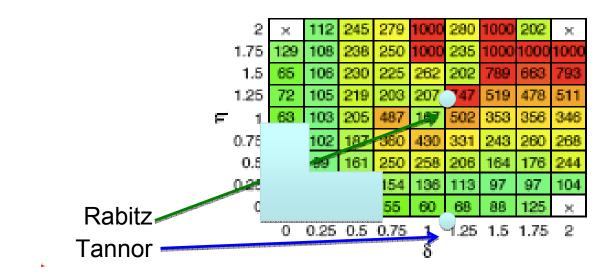
B: $\omega_S = -2.5, -1.25, 0, 1.25, 2.5 \text{ kHz}$





BroadbandOptimization: Comparing Speed

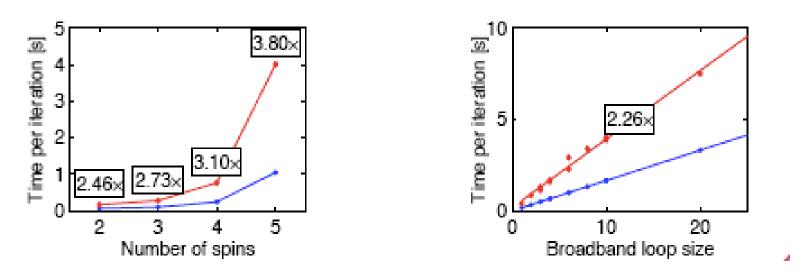
For Krotov algorithm, number of iterations also depends on parameters δ and η . Small values are recommendable.





BroadbandOptimization: Comparing Speed

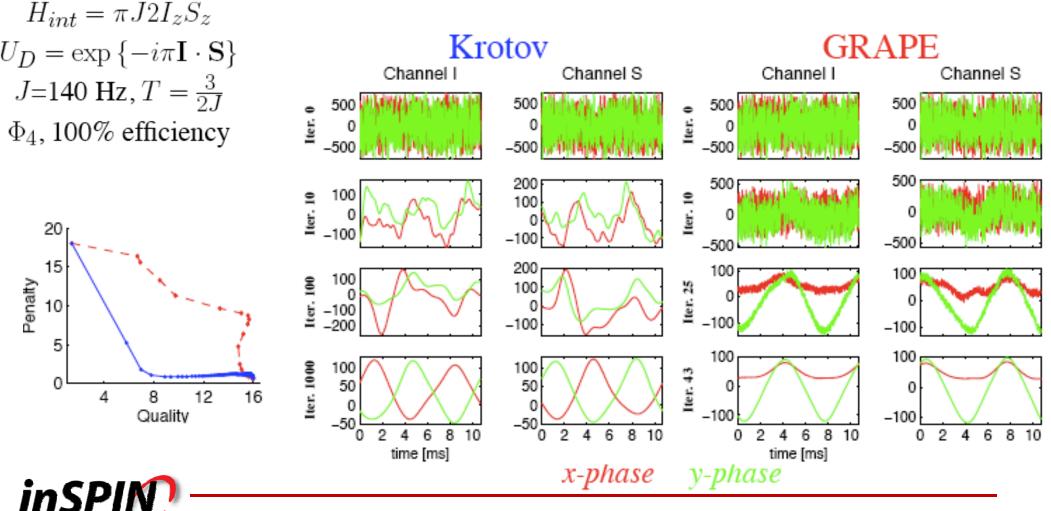
Krotov algorithm is much faster per iteration. This advantage grows with complexity of the problem when increasing size of a spin system or increasing loops over broadband parameters.





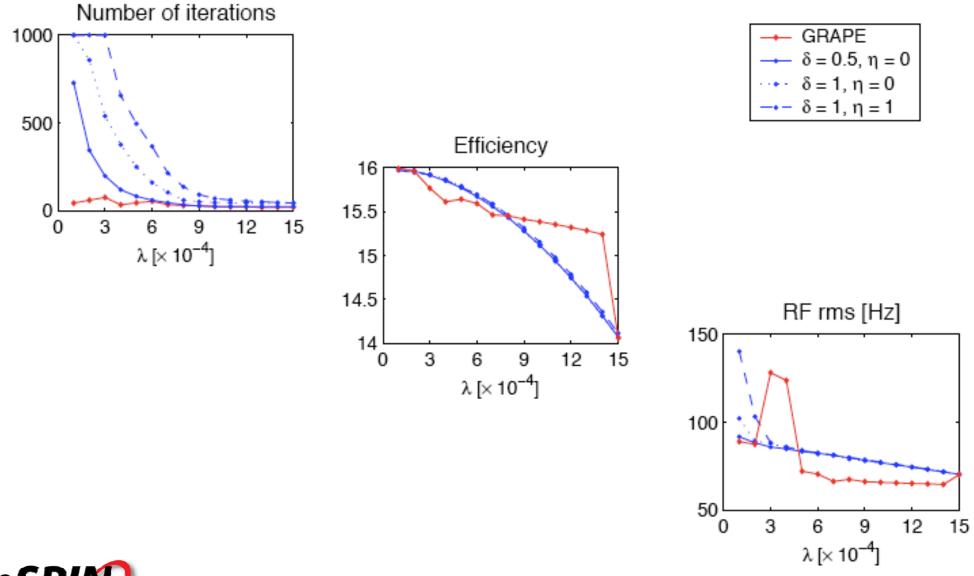
Synthesis of a desired propagator: **IsotropicMixing**

<u>Goal</u>: pulse sequence with minimal rf power for creation of isotropic mixing Hamiltonian in two spin-1/2 system with weak J-coupling.



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Synthesis of a desired propagator: Isotropic Mixing





Optimizationstatistics: INEPT

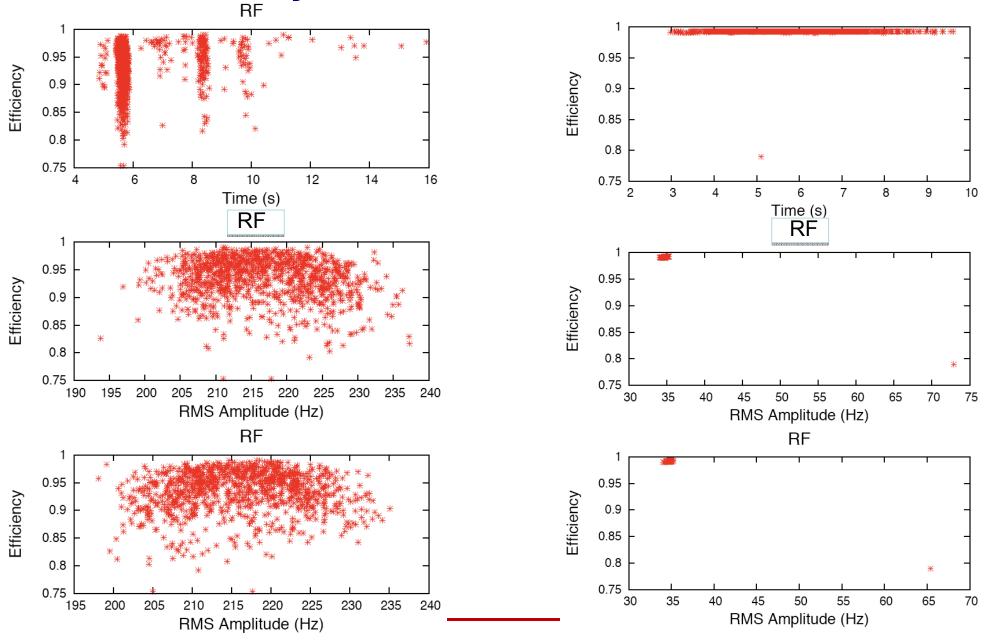
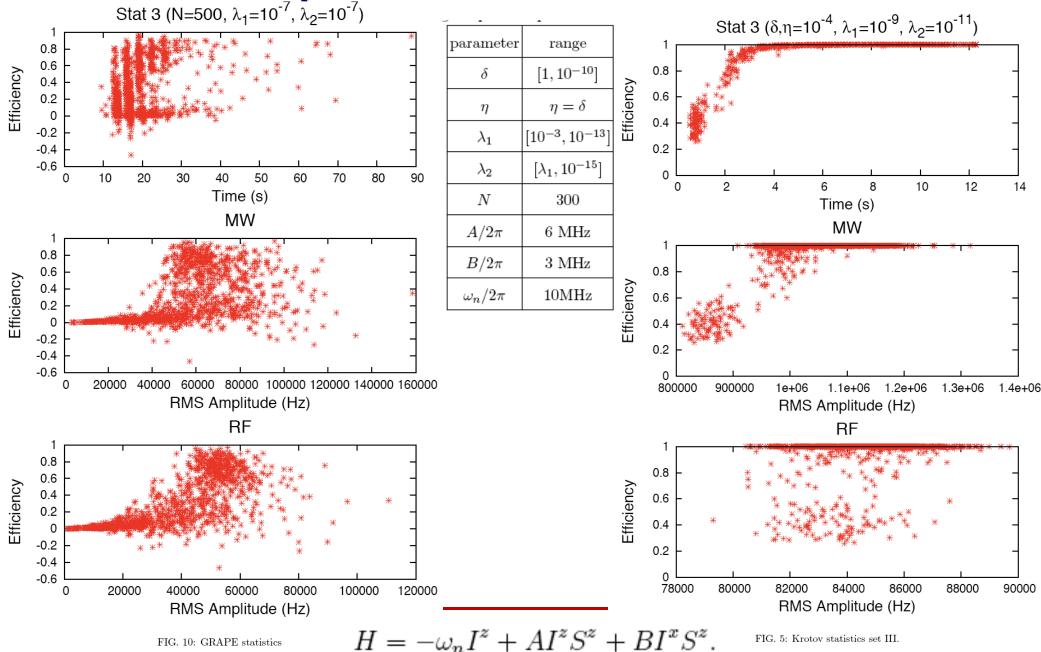


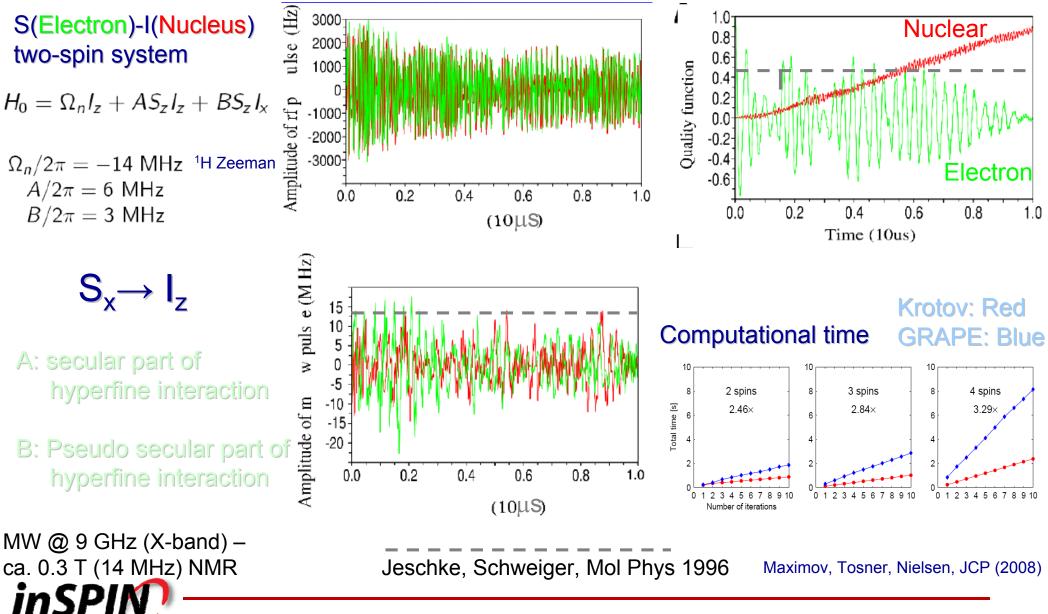
FIG. 15: GRAPE: statistics in INEPT case, N=200.

FIG. 13: Krotov: statistics in INEPT case, N=200.

Optimizationstatistics: DNP



Optimal controlandDNP



Midwayconclusions

- Both GRAPE and Krotov algorithms are capable to find global maxima.
- Including rf power penalty to optimization process simplifies resulting pulse sequences. These sequences are more feasible for analytical analysis.
- Krotov algorithm is significantly faster per iteration compared to GRAPE and thus is superior to GRAPE for large spin systems or broadband optimizations.
- Krotov algorithm may need more iterations when low rf penalty is used but it converges faster when using stronger rf penalties.
- Combined optimization approach when the problem is first tackled by Krotov algorithm with high rf penalty and then refined by GRAPE (with lower rf penalty) may lead to quick results.
- Krotov appears significantly less sensitive to appropriate choice of initial guesses.
- Krotov needs optimization of δ and η to obtain stability low values are relatively safe, in particular very low values in which may slow down optimimizations relative to high values

Krotov works also in cases where you have VERY FEW CONTROLS (e.g., 2-3 pulses)



Remember

Everything is based on "local experience" and all conclusions may be different (?) for other systems/cases etc – and all depends a lot on the objective of you optimization (including costs, robustness and size of system)

Optimal control is a great tool independent on whether you are proGRAPE or proKROTOV – coexistence through complementarity may be the optimum

