Temperature Selective Thermometry with Sub-Microsecond Time Resolution Using Dressed-Spin States in Diamond

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Versatile nanoscale sensors that are susceptible to changes in a variety of physical quantities often exhibit limited selectivity. This paper reports a novel scheme based on microwave-dressed spin states for optically probed nanoscale temperature detection using diamond quantum sensors, which provides selective sensitivity to temperature changes. By combining this scheme with a continuous pump–probe scheme using ensemble nitrogen-vacancy centers in nanodiamonds, a sub-microsecond temporal resolution with thermal sensitivity of 3.7 K \cdot Hz^{-1/2} that is insensitive to variations in external magnetic fields on the order of 2 G is demonstrated. The presented results are favorable for the practical application of time-resolved nanoscale quantum sensing, where temperature imaging is required under fluctuating magnetic fields.

1. Introduction

Sensing local temperatures with the high spatiotemporal resolution is an important technique that can be utilized in a wide range of fields, including electronics and biology.^[1–4] Among recently developed time-resolved nanothermometers,^[5–9] the nanodiamond embedding color centers such as nitrogen-vacancy (NV) center, silicon-vacancy (SiV) center, and germanium-vacancy (GeV) center have been highlighted as promising temperature sensors^[10–20] that can be operated under ambient conditions and at room temperature based on their newly developed quantum sensing properties,^[21,22] together with the material's chemical inertness, high photostability, and biocompatibility.^[23]

NV centers have spin-triplet ground states in which the magnetic quantum number $m_s = 0$ and $m_s = \pm 1$ sublevels are energetically separated by temperature *T*-dependent zero-field splitting (*D*(*T*)) due to crystal field.^[24–26] The relative transition frequencies between sublevels are susceptible to changes in environmental factors such as magnetic fields,^[27,28] electric fields,^[29,30] strain,^[31–34] and temperature^[35,36] meaning NV centers can serve as versatile nanoscale sensors. For primary sensing applications, many NV-center-based magnetometry techniques have been developed, including continuous wave optically

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detected magnetic resonance (cw-ODMR)based methods,[37] pulsed ODMR-based methods,^[38] and more advanced dynamical decoupling pulse-sequence-based magnetometry for improving spin coherence time and field sensitivity by reducing the interactions between NV centers and other adjacent spins, such as ¹³C nuclear spins.^[39-41] The magnteometry techniques can also be applied to measuring nearby current flows by applying the magnetometry to an NV center ensemble under external magnetic field to measure the local vector magnetic field induced from the local current. Recently, measurements of current flows in nanoelectric devices such as graphene using the NV center as a probe were reported.[42]

Unlike magnetometry, NV-center-based thermometry utilizes energy level shifts related to direct changes in D(T). Because the relative energy level difference is the only accessible information in an experiment, the careful calibration or experimental fixing of environmental factors other than the desired sensing quantity is necessary. This is particularly problematic in thermometry, where magnetic-field-induced sublevel shifts often overwhelm temperature-related changes.^[35] Several studies have proposed approaches to suppressing magnetic field effects. For example, pulse sequences such as the thermal echo, thermal Carr-Pucell-Meiboom-Gill sequence, and D-Ramsey sequence have been developed for high-temperature sensitivity.^[10,13] Real-time monitoring methods have also been developed to reduce magnetic field effects.^[14,15,17] Although these studies have shown merit with carefully pre-calibrated settings, robustness to a wide range of field magnitudes and directions has not been demonstrated and existing methods often exhibited limited temporal resolution because a long phase accumulation time per sequence is required.

The limited temporal resolution is an obstacle when thermal gradients of the nanodevices are the object of interest, since the thermal conductance in nanoelectric devices tends to be high in line with the high electrical conductance which is usually required for these devices. This makes it difficult to image the local thermal distribution of the device because of the fast heat dissipation. To resolve the local heat sources on the device before the thermal distribution reaches its steady state, a measurement technique with high temporal resolution is required. Therefore, for measurement of the local current and temperature using the same probe, it is important to develop continuous measurementbased thermometry sequences that can be applied in non-zero external magnetic field environments.

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Figure 1. a) Schematic of temperature measurement using NV centers in nanodiamonds under an arbitrary external magnetic field. The microwaves for spin state measurement and heating are fed into the shorted-end coplanar waveguide (CPW) signal line. b) The energy level of the NV center ground state, where *D* represents the zero-field splitting of the spin-triplet and Ω represents the Rabi oscillation frequency resonant to the $|0\rangle \leftrightarrow |\pm 1\rangle$ transition. c) State transition between the $|Bright\rangle_d$ state in the dressed-state basis and $|0\rangle$ state when applying the microwave shown in (b).

Here, we propose and demonstrate an NV-center-based micron-scale time-resolved thermometry method using microwave-dressed spin states, which is applicable to even non-zero external magnetic field environments. In a dressed spin space,^[43-45] temperature-induced frequency shifts can be detected using net spin-zero eigenstates. Temperature information can be obtained by measuring up to six frequency components within the ODMR curve, making the proposed method applicable to real-time or time-resolved measurements. We demonstrate time-resolved temperature measurements with 10 µm spatial resolution and 50 ns temporal resolution using NV centers in nanodiamonds with natural tolerance to the varying magnitudes and directions of external magnetic fields.^[13] When combined with well-developed independent magnetometry methods, the proposed method provides an effective route for a wide range of quantum sensing and chip-scale imaging applications for which selectivity and sensitivity to sensing quantities are both important.

Figure 1a presents a schematic of the proposed quantum sensing setup, where the NV centers in diamonds are subjected to microwave power-induced Joule healing of the coplanar waveguide (CPW), as well as an external magnetic field of arbitrary magnitude and direction. By ignoring the effects of the nitrogen or ¹³C nuclear spins in diamond, the Hamiltonian can be described as (we adopt h = 1)

$$H_0 = D(T)S_z^2 + \gamma_e B \cdot S + E(S_x^2 - S_y^2)$$
(1)

where $\gamma_e = 2.8 \text{ MHz} \cdot \text{G}^{-1}$ is the gyromagnetic ratio of the electron spin, **B** is the external magnetic field, *E* is the off-axial strain, and $S_{i, i = x, y, z}$ (**S**) is the *i*th component (vector) of spin-1 matrices with their NV axis set as the *z*-direction. Since this work is focused on using continuous wave ODMR measurement, where microwave powers that are stronger than the energy level splitting from the hyperfine interaction induced by the nitrogen or ¹³C nuclear spins in diamond are used, and since the change of temperature only affects *D*(*T*), we limit the discussion of the Hamiltonian to this simple form.

As shown in Figure 1b, typical quantum sensing measures changes in the transition frequency between bare spin states (|0),

 $|-1\rangle$, and $|+1\rangle$) by applying corresponding microwave pulses. By applying the double rotating frame approximation, the effects of small changes in $D(T)(\delta D(T))$ and $B(\delta B = (\delta B_x, 0, \delta B_z))$ lead to a linear change in the frequencies, where $\delta_{1(2)} = (\delta D(T) - (+)\gamma_e \delta B_z) + 3 \frac{\gamma_e B_x}{D(T)} \gamma_e \delta B_x$. Therefore, extracting D(T) information from the measurement of $\delta_{1(2)}$ requires prior knowledge regarding *B*. A lack of this knowledge leads to significant temperature measurement errors based on the large sensitivity of NV centers to magnetic fields ($\gamma_e = 2.8 \text{ MHz} \cdot \text{G}^{-1} \text{ versus } dD/dT \approx 74 \text{ kHz} \cdot \text{K}^{-1[35]}$).

We address this issue by changing the eigenbasis to microwave-dressed spin states defined by $|0\rangle_d = |0\rangle$, $|Bright\rangle_d =$ $(|+1\rangle + |-1\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$, and $|Dark\rangle_d = (|+1\rangle - |-1\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$, as shown in Figure 1c. In the dressed spin state basis, the eigenstates exhibit nearly zero Zeeman splitting, opening a pathway for the selective measurement of temperature. To achieve this basis, we apply two microwaves that are each resonant to the energy level splitting between $|0\rangle \leftrightarrow |+1\rangle$ and $|0\rangle \leftrightarrow |-1\rangle$ and share the same Rabi frequency Ω to move into the double rotating frame of this Hamiltonian. To keep the double rotating frame valid, it is important to prepare the external magnetic field that induces the Zeeman splitting to be larger than the Rabi frequency of a single microwave ($\gamma_e B_{\tau} > \Omega$), since otherwise the two transitions cannot be independently addressed. In addition, when the external magnetic field satisfies the intermediate range of $E \ll \gamma_e |\mathbf{B}|$ and $\gamma_e B_r$ $\ll D(T)$, the Hamiltonian in the dressed basis and in its double rotating frame becomes

$$\widetilde{H}_{tot,d} = \begin{pmatrix} \delta_D & \sqrt{2}\Omega & \delta_B \\ \sqrt{2}\Omega & 0 & 0 \\ \delta_B & 0 & \delta_D \end{pmatrix}$$
(2)

where Ω is the Rabi frequency of a single microwave, $\delta_D = \frac{\delta_1 + \delta_2}{2} \approx \delta D(T) + 3 \frac{\gamma_e B_x}{D(T)} \gamma_e \delta B_x \approx \delta D(T)$ is the response of the energy level of the $|Bright\rangle_d$ and $|Dark\rangle_d$ state, and the coupling between the $|Bright\rangle_d$ and $|Dark\rangle_d$ state is $\delta_B = \frac{\delta_2 - \delta_1}{2} \approx \gamma_e \delta B_z$. The transition Rabi frequency between $|0\rangle_d$ and $|Bright\rangle_d$ becomes $\sqrt{2}\Omega$ in this

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Figure 2. a) The upper part shows the example of an ODMR spectrum of a single NV center in a finite magnetic field obtained using the sequence on the right. The transition frequencies between $m_s = 0$ and $m_s = \pm 1$ are denoted as ω_1 and ω_2 , respectively. The lower part shows the example of a DS-ODMR spectrum measured by applying two microwaves (MW1, MW2) with a frequency difference of $\omega_2 - \omega_1$ simultaneously, as shown in the right pulse sequence. The center dip represents the resonance peak formed by the bright state of the MW dressed state. The *x*-axis of the ODMR spectra represents the average frequency of the two microwaves used in the sequence. The red points represent the measurement frequencies used for thermometry, as described in the main text. b) Left: 2D image of the DS-ODMR results while sweeping the external magnetic field. Right: Line cuts along a fixed magnetic field detuning. c) Measured f_{avg} changes at a fixed temperature depending on external magnetic field detuning. The red dots represent the change in f_{avg} converted from fluorescence signals and the yellow line represents the simulated results for the DS-ODMR number the same conditions using QuTip. The brown line represents the converted frequency difference of the center frequency of a single peak in the single-microwave cw-ODMR. d) Simulation results for the attenuated $\frac{\delta f_{avg}}{\delta |B|} \Big|_{\delta |B|=0} = 74 \text{ kHz} \cdot \text{G}^{-1}$. PL: Photoluminescence.

basis, which results as an increase in linewidth when the ODMR measurement is conducted. By directly driving $|0\rangle$ to $|Bright\rangle_d$, the influence of the fluctuation δB_z is negligible in the strong driving regime $\delta_B \ll \sqrt{2\Omega}$ and the effects of the transverse field fluctuation δB_x are reduced by a factor of $3\gamma_e B_x / D(T)$. Additionally, when the dressed spin state is used under an intermediate external magnetic field ($E \ll \gamma_e |\mathbf{B}|$), the energy levels become robust to changes in *E*. In section 1, Supporting Information, we describe this theoretical analysis in greater detail.

2. Results and Discussion

We first validated the robustness of the dressed state to changes in the external magnetic field at a constant temperature using a single NV center in a type-Ib bulk diamond (see section 2, Supporting Information for details). For this experiment, we applied a variable external magnetic field in a fixed arbitrary direction. The upper panel of **Figure 2**a presents the ODMR obtained by sweeping a single microwave tone frequency. The two resonant peaks at ω_1 and ω_2 for the NV center represent energy level splitting between the $|0\rangle \leftrightarrow |-1\rangle$ and $|0\rangle \leftrightarrow |+1\rangle$ states. We then measured the dressed state cw-ODMR (DS-ODMR) spectrum by applying two microwaves simultaneously with equal frequency detuning from ω_1 and ω_2 to the NV center to control it within its double rotating frame, as shown in Figure 1a (bottom panel). When sweeping the two microwave frequencies as $f_1 = f - (\omega_2 - \omega_1)/2$ and $f_2 = f + (\omega_2 - \omega_1)/2$ with a common center microwave frequency f_i a Lorentzian curve is measured with the resonance at $f_{avg} = (\omega_1 + \omega_2)/2$ (double resonance with $f_1 = \omega_1, f_2 = \omega_2$), which represents the transition between $|0\rangle \leftrightarrow |Bright\rangle_d$ states in the dressed state basis, where the variation in f_{avg} is directly proportional to δ_D . The linewidth Γ of this curve is determined by the Rabi frequency $\sqrt{2\Omega}$ coming from the two microwaves and the power of the green laser used for the continuous ODMR measurement.^[38] The power of the green laser was limited to few tens of microwatts during all of the experiments, leaving the linewidth Γ to be in the same order with the Rabi frequency $\sqrt{2\Omega}$. For consistency, from now on the term "center frequency" means the common center microwave frequency used in the DS-ODMR curve.

The robustness to external magnetic fields inherent in the Hamiltonian in Equation (2) shows that measurement of the change in temperature can be conducted by measuring only a single center frequency point from the DS-ODMR curve. This property is useful when measuring a 2D image of the surface temperature, as a single measurement can be used as a single image. However, a single point measurement is vulnerable to environmental changes such as the photon counts of the NV center or the linewidth of the DS-ODMR curve. For practical measurement of the temperature, two methods, the three-point and six-point method, were used for the extraction of δf_{avg} from

this Lorentzian curve. Even though the advantage of measuring temperature directly from a single measurement vanishes from these methods, there are still advantages coming from using the dressed-state basis, which is that we can reduce the measurement time into half compared to applying this measurement method to the single-microwave cw-ODMR curve, which requires the frequency change measurement for both ODMR resonance peaks. For a simple three-point measurement (the six-point method is discussed below), δf_{avg} can be extracted as

$$\delta f_{\rm avg} = \frac{p_B - p_E}{p_B + p_E - 2p_0} \frac{\Gamma}{\sqrt{3}} \tag{3}$$

where Γ is the linewidth of the DS-ODMR Lorentzian curve, and p_B , p_{E_i} and p_0 are the measured photon counts at the center microwave frequencies $f_B = f_{avg} - \Gamma/2\sqrt{3}$, $f_E = f_{avg} + \Gamma/2\sqrt{3}$, and the f_0 that corresponds to the background photon counts (see Figure 2a).^[14] Using the three-point method, the effect of the temperature change was measured while securing robustness to the emitted photon counts from the NV center.

The middle panel in Figure 2b presents the DS-ODMR as a function of $\delta |\mathbf{B}|$ with respect to a reference field $|\mathbf{B}|$ of 47 G. As shown in the left and right panels of Figure 2b, the profile of the Lorentzian curve changes from a double Lorentzian peak profile when $\delta |\mathbf{B}|$ is large to a single Lorentzian peak profile when $\delta |\mathbf{B}|$ goes to 0. The increased contrast and linewidth of the Lorentzian curve at $\delta |\mathbf{B}| = 0$ is a property showing that the curve is a result of the double microwave transition, as the transition Rabi frequency shifts from Ω to $\sqrt{2\Omega}$ as discussed above. When the f_{avg} variation is extracted from Figure 2b using Equation (3), where the linewidth Γ = 10.7 MHz was used for the three-point method, the dressed state exhibits attenuation in f_{avg} variation as a result of $\delta |\mathbf{B}|$ down to $\approx 50 \text{ kHz} \cdot \text{G}^{-1}$, which is $\approx 56 \text{ times}$ smaller than 2.8 MHz \cdot G⁻¹ of the bare spin states (Figure 2c, brown solid line), which is consistent with the prediction given by Equation (2). This result also agrees well with numerical simulations based on the QuTip package.^[46,47] As $\delta |\mathbf{B}|$ increases, δ_{B} eventually becomes comparable to $\sqrt{2\Omega}$ and the $|0\rangle_d - |Bright\rangle_d$ state subspace can no longer be considered to be decoupled from the $|Dark\rangle_d$ state, resulting in non-negligible deviations caused by $\delta |\mathbf{B}|$. Figure 2d presents the numerical simulations (see section 3, Supporting Information for details) for the magneticfield-induced error $\frac{\delta f_{avg}}{\delta |B|}\Big|_{\delta |B|=0}$ as a function of the magnitude and orientation of B. The gray dashed curve represents a contour of 74 kHz \cdot G⁻¹ corresponding to 1 K \cdot G⁻¹ when converted into temperature, demonstrating that the orientation and magnitude of the operating field for this method can vary widely while maintaining a sub-Kelvin magnetic field-induced temperature error.

We applied the dressed-state sensing method to ensemble NV centers to demonstrate time-resolved thermometry. **Figure 3**a presents dispersed nanodiamonds with an average diameter of 100 nm on top of a CPW on a cover glass substrate. From the single-tone ODMR curve with |B| = 190 G, we selected the two peaks stemming from the NV ensembles whose axes are within $\approx 29^{\circ}$ with respect to the direction of *B* to ensure temperature selectivity, as discussed above.^[48] Temperature variation was induced by a 3-µs-long microwave pulse with a carrier frequency of

2.8 GHz, power of 48 dBm, and repetition rate of 100 kHz applied to the CPW. For the microwave used to measure the time-resolved temperature, we used the microwave power that is \approx 30dB weaker than the power used for heating to minimize the heating effect coming from this microwave. To compensate for the fluctuation in linewidth, average fluorescence, and long-term drift, we introduced the six-point measurement method (Figure 3b), which uses the measured photon counts from p_A to p_F at corresponding center frequencies f_A to f_F , as shown in Figure 2a, where each frequency is chosen as follows.

$$f_{\rm A} = f_{\rm avg} - \Gamma/2\sqrt{3} - d\omega \tag{4}$$

$$f_{\rm B} = f_{\rm avg} - \Gamma/2\sqrt{3} \tag{5}$$

$$f_{\rm C} = f_{\rm avg} - \Gamma/2\sqrt{3} + d\omega \tag{6}$$

$$f_{\rm D} = f_{\rm avg} + \Gamma/2\sqrt{3} - d\omega \tag{7}$$

$$f_{\rm E} = f_{\rm avg} + \Gamma/2\sqrt{3} \tag{8}$$

$$f_{\rm F} = f_{\rm avg} + \Gamma/2\sqrt{3} + d\omega \tag{9}$$

where $d\omega = 1$ MHz is a fixed value used and the linewidth of the DS-ODMR used in Figure 3 was $\Gamma = 11.5$ MHz.

We used the same two main points that were used for the center frequency calculation in Figure 2 (p_B , p_E), but instead of obtaining the slope of the Lorentzian from a fixed Γ value, we calculated the slope of the Lorentzian for each measurement period using the additional four points (p_A , p_C , p_D , p_F).

The temperature change can be extracted as (see section 4, Supporting Information for details)

$$\delta T = \frac{p_B - p_E}{(p_A - p_C) - (p_D - p_F)} \frac{2d\omega}{dD/dT}$$
(10)

with a shot-noise-limited sensitivity of

$$\eta_T = 0.77 \frac{1}{dD/dT} \frac{\Gamma}{C_0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{R}}$$
(11)

where C_0 is the luminescence contrast of the DS-ODMR curve and *R* is the measured photon count per second (cps).

To combine the six-point measurement method and the pumpprobe type time-resolved measurement, we used the frequency modulation mode of the signal generator to change the center frequency of the two microwaves applied to the NV center stepwise while continuously reading out the emitted fluorescence. A total period of 60 μ s was used, with a 10 μ s time range allocated for each center frequency, as shown in Figure 3c. The measurement was conducted using a time-tagged photon counting module, enabling the result to be time-resolved. During this measurement process, we used a 16 ns bin for the accumulation of the emitted photons. The frequency shifting of the DS-ODMR microwave, the pulse envelope for the heating microwave, and the time-tagged photon counting process all shared the same trigger which was applied at the start of the 60 μ s period to synchronize the whole measurement sequence. During the continuous www.advancedsciencenews.com

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Figure 3. a) 2D confocal scanning image of the NV centers in nanodiamonds dispersed on a cover glass with a shorted CPW fabricated on top. The temperature was measured at the marked NV center ensemble (red circle). b) The microwave sequence used for the pump-probe temperature measurement. GL represents the green laser, probe MW represents the change of the center frequency of the two microwaves used for DS-ODMR, heating MW is the microwave pulse used for heating, and *n* is the number of accumulation sequence executed. c) Raw fluorescence data measured using the time-tagged photon counting module. Dead time is the time range within the rise time of the frequency shifting and heating is the time range where the heating microwave is on. d) Fluorescence data stacked based on delay. The fluorescence data sharing the same delay are grouped and used when converted into temperature. e) Time-resolved measurement results using the six-point DS-ODMR method under different levels of external magnetic field detuning $\delta | \mathbf{B} |$. Each color of the dashed lines represents a temperature change value at the end of the heating MW pulse. The overlaid black line represents the simulation results for the converted temperature when the six-point measurement method is applied to the temperature changes calculated by HFSS and Python (see section 3 and section 5, Supporting Information for details). Upper: The measured temperature. Lower: The error induced by the magnetic field detuning, calculated by subtracting the $\delta | \mathbf{B} | = 0$ temperature curve from each of the other upper curves. ΔT represents the measured the site or the curve from each of the other upper curves. ΔT represents the systematic error.

measurement, there exists some dead time due to the rise time of the signal generator (3.5 μ s) when using the frequency shifting function. Figure 3d shows the fluorescence data where the data coming from different center frequencies were stacked based on the delay within the 10 μ s time range, and with the dead time removed. For each delay time, we applied Equation (10) to the fluorescence p_A to p_F , which converted the fluorescence data into temperature change, as shown in Figure 3e. To reduce the temperature noise, we box averaged three bins during the temperature conversion process, limiting our time resolution to 48 ns. When the heating microwave is turned on, a sudden drop of the fluorescence was observed, which is thought to come from a sudden torsion of the cover glass substrate. However, since the six-point method is robust to such sudden changes in fluorescence, contrast, and linewidth, the effect of the change of

fluorescence was canceled out after converting the fluorescence data into temperature.

The expected distortion to the measured temperature when an external magnetic field fluctuation is present was systematically demonstrated by applying magnetic field detuning to the system. Figure 3e presents a comparison of the resultant time-resolved thermometry for different values of $\delta |\mathbf{B}|$. The results measured with no magnetic field detuning reveal a rootmean-squared (RMS) temperature fluctuation of ≈ 0.6 K. Combining this result with the integration time for each data point of 43 s (number of accumulation sequence $n = 1.5 \times 10^8$) leads to a sensitivity of $3.7 \text{ K} \cdot \text{Hz}^{-1/2}$, which is above the shot-noiselimited sensitivity of $2.5 \text{ K} \cdot \text{Hz}^{-1/2}$ expected for this NV center ensemble. Therefore, a temperature change of ≈ 5 K initiated by a pulsed microwave was measured with a signal-to-noise ratio



Figure 4. a) 2D confocal scanning image of the NV centers in nanodiamonds dispersed on a gold CPW. The temperature was measured at the three marked NV center ensembles (colored circles). b) Simulation results for the temperature distribution of the system when the temperature is saturated while the heating pulse is on. The colored dots represent the locations of the three nanodiamonds used for temperature measurement. c) Overlaid experimental and simulation results for the time-resolved temperatures at the three measured NV centers.

(SNR) of \approx 8.3. Additionally, a rise time of \approx 300 ns can be resolved by our continuous-measurement-based time-resolved thermometry, where for the present setup, the time resolution is set by a 48 ns time step. As shown in the middle panel of Figure 3c, the result is robust to $\delta |B|$ up to ≈ 2 G, demonstrating a systematic error of 0.1 K in the measured temperature change due to $\delta |\mathbf{B}|$ which is less than the RMS temperature fluctuation, which is in agreement with the QuTip simulation results of the six-point measurement method applied to the temperature simulation results represented by a black solid line. (see below for simulation details, see also section 3 and section 5, Supporting Information.) Therefore, for an external magnetic field fluctuation within the amplitude of 2 G, we expect the correspondingly induced measured temperature fluctuation to be within 0.1 K. This result is in agreement with the robust magnetic field range presented in Figure 2. The increase in the temperature fluctuation observed in the δ **|B|** = -1.9 G result comes from the reduced sensitivity as the NV ensemble in the 100 nm nanodiamond slowly became unstable while the experiment proceeded. When $\delta |\mathbf{B}|$ is ≈ 3 G, the systematic error is significant, reflecting the deviation demonstrated in the dressed-state picture as discussed above. Additionally, the SNR is less than 3 in this regime because the

six-point measurement method becomes unstable when $\delta_B \approx \frac{\Gamma}{\sqrt{3}}$. The 2 G window is large enough for the measurement method to be robust to magnetic field fluctuations that may exist in practical measurement setups, such as fluctuations of the magnetic field strength of the neodymium magnet used for external magnetic field generation where ≈ 0.1 G fluctuation is generated for a 1 K ambient temperature fluctuation,^[49] or such as the fluctuations of the magnetic field generated from the currents of nanoelectric devices where a field of ≈ 0.5 G

is generated when a current of I = 0.8 mA is injected into graphene.^[42]

We will now discuss spatiotemporally resolved thermometry. Under the same pulsed heating scheme, Figure 4a presents three different NV centers distributed over the CPW, where the transient temperature increases over time differ, which can be inferred from the numerical simulations of the temperature distribution presented in Figure 4b. For the time-resolved measurement results, $n = 6 \times 10^8$ was used for ND 1 whose DS-ODMR curve showed a lower sensitivity of 9.4 K \cdot Hz^{-1/2}, and n = 1.5 \times 10⁸ was used for both ND 2 and 3 whose DS-ODMR curve showed a sensitivity of 3.6 $K \cdot Hz^{-1/2}$. The numerical simulations were performed using combinations of microwave loss calculations based on HFSS software and heat conduction calculations based on Fourier's law along the surface of a physical environment with a convection term using Python (see section 5, Supporting Information for details). Figure 4c presents an overlay of the simulation results (solid and dashed curves) and experimental results (symbols) for the temperature changes during microwave heating. By applying the convection term $Q_{convection} =$ $h_{convection}(T - T_{\infty})$, where $h_{convection}$ is the convective heat transfer and T_{∞} is the temperature at the boundary, 26 °C for this experiment, the experimental result exhibits good agreement with $h_{\text{convection}} = 2 \times 10^8 \text{ W} \cdot \text{m}^{-2} \cdot K^{-1}$. The results demonstrate that this method can be applied to various orientations of NV ensembles in a common setting, particularly under a common external magnetic field, which is made possible by the properties of the dressed state discussed above.

In this work, we only evaluated the spatial resolution using nanodiamonds at a distance of $\approx 10 \ \mu m$ apart from each other. In principle, the spatial resolution can be reduced to the diffraction limit of a confocal microscopy system, which could be im-

plemented by increasing the density of nanodiamonds on the CPW surface. When applying this method, a pre-selection process for NV ensembles is required because the resonance peaks from different axes may overlap, making it difficult to apply the DS-ODMR to a single axis independently. This limitation can be overcome by attaching a single nanodiamond particle to a probe and performing scanning for 2D temperature imaging. Even with these limitations, we measured the spatially resolved transient temperature of the CPW surface during the heating and cooling process on the gold surface with high thermal conductivity. This result shows that the transient temperature imaging induced from heat generated by electronic devices, even ones with high thermal conductivity, may be measured using this method.

3. Conclusion

We developed a novel thermometry method based on DS-ODMR measurements and pump-probe measurements, which provided high spatiotemporal resolution while maintaining robustness to external magnetic field environments. By using a dressed spin state basis for thermometry, we obtained a broad range of initial external magnetic fields that exhibited attenuated reactions to magnetic field fluctuations within the range satisfying $\delta_{\rm B} \ll \sqrt{2\Omega}$. Additionally, the applicability of this basis to the cw-ODMR-type measurement scheme enables temperature measurement with high temporal resolution. By combining the DS-ODMR method with a pump-probe temperature measurement sequence and by adopting the six-point measurement method with time-tagged measurements for a reasonable total measurement time, we were able to resolve the transient temperature inducted by a microwave pulse applied to a gold CPW with a time resolution of \approx 50 ns and temperature precision of 0.6 K. The insensitivity of the dressed spin state to external magnetic fields facilitated the application of this method to arbitrarily dispersed nanodiamond particles and allowed us to demonstrate spatiotemporally resolved temperature measurement using several nanodiamonds on the CPW surface. Thus, our thermometry method can be applied to the measurement of time-resolved temperature using nanodiamonds in complex environments such as living cells, where aligning an external magnetic field to the NV center axis of each independent nanoparticle is difficult. In addition, because a continuous microwave is used, it is easy to measure the sample temperature as a function of microwave power before the experiment, and one can avoid damage to the biological tissue by setting the initial temperature of an incubator considering microwave heating.^[50] The method is also expected to facilitate investigating the thermal properties of nanoelectronic devices where external magnetic fields fluctuate over time by the varying electric current. Therefore, the high temporal resolution and selective temperature sensitivity demonstrated here can be applied to the characterization of the transient thermal processes occurring in various nanoscale systems.

Supporting Information

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