



# Axion Searches in the Next Ten Years

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# Outline



- *Introduction*
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## *Disclaimer*

- *Based on [arXiv:2104.14831](#)*
  - *Focus only on direct searches*
- *My apologies for not covering*
  - *Indirect searches*
  - *All individual efforts*
  - *Updated information*



# *Introduction*

*Axion (dark matter)*

*Search strategies*



# Axion



- Strong CP problem**

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} \supset \theta \frac{\alpha_s}{32\pi} G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}^{a,\mu\nu}$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$d_n < 10^{-26} e \cdot cm \quad (\theta < 10^{-10})$$

- PQ mechanism (1977)**

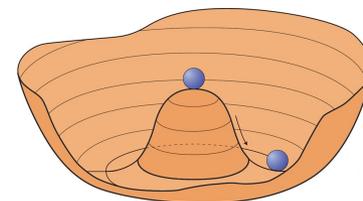
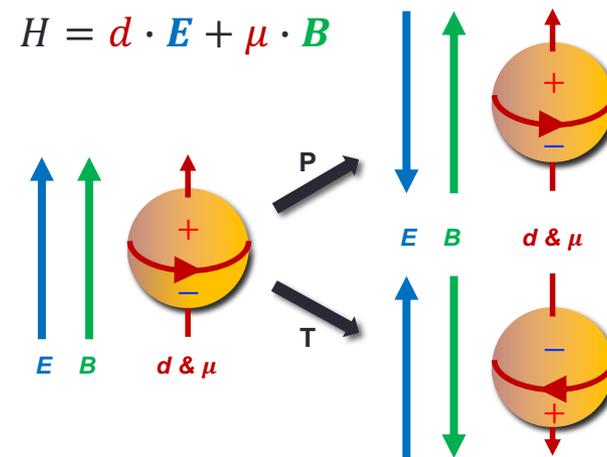
- New global U(1) symmetry w/ scalar field  $a$

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} \supset \left( \theta - \frac{a}{f_a} \right) \frac{\alpha_s}{32\pi} G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}^{a,\mu\nu}$$

- Spontaneous breaking: minimum at  $a = \theta \cdot f_a$
- **Dynamic solution** to strong CP problem

- Axion (1978)**

- (pseudoscalar) Nambu-Goldstone boson
- QCD axion
  - mass related to QCD scale:  $m_a^2 f_a^2 \sim m_{\pi}^2 f_{\pi}^2$
  - cf. axion-like particle (ALP)





# Invisible axion and dark matter

- Invisible axion (1979)**

- **Very light axion** in early universe at a large energy scale

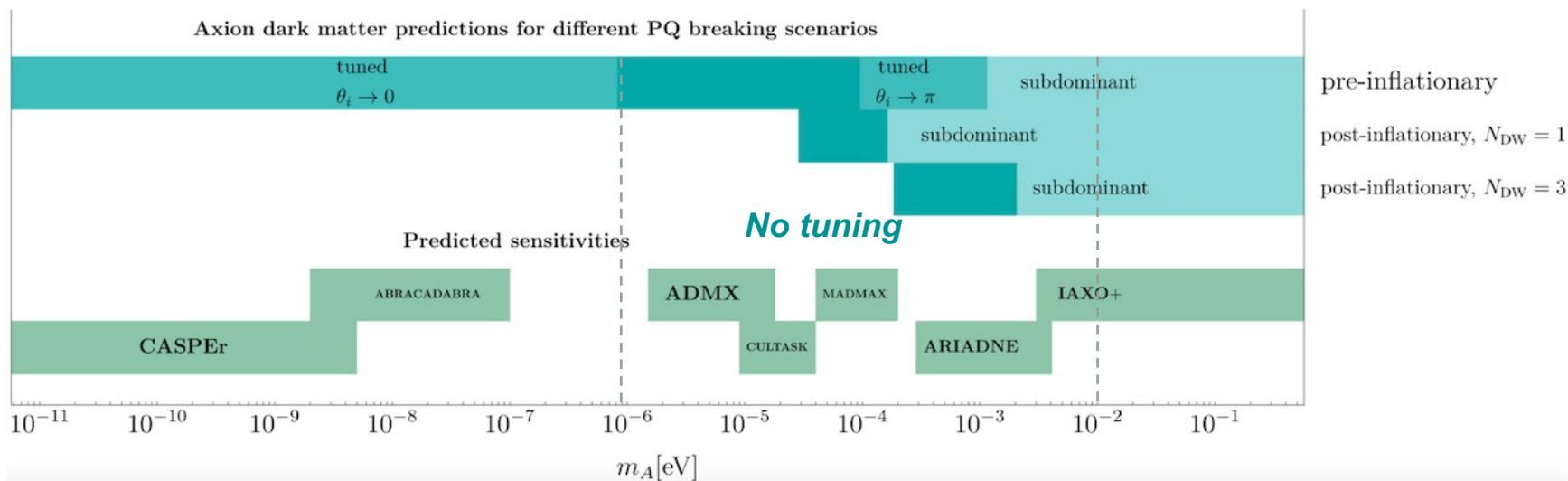
$$m_a \approx 6 \mu\text{eV} \frac{10^{12} \text{ GeV}}{f_a}$$

- **Spanned axion mass range** by many orders of magnitude

- Cosmic axion (1983)**

- May account for **dark matter**
- Cosmological constraint:  $f_a < 10^{12} \text{ GeV}$
- Astrophysical observation: SN1987A

- **Different PQ breaking scenarios** predict different mass ranges





# Axion couplings



- Axion interactions with SM fields*

	<i>Photons</i>	<i>Fermions</i>	<i>nEDMs</i>
<i>Source</i>	$g_{a\gamma\gamma} a \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}$	$g_{aff} \nabla a \cdot \hat{\mathbf{S}}$	$g_{EDM} a \hat{\mathbf{S}} \cdot \mathbf{E}$
<i>Detection</i>	<i>Resonators in magnetic fields</i>	<i>Magnetometers</i>	<i>NMR</i>
<i>Example</i>	<i>ADMX, CAPP, MADMAX, ...</i>	<i>GNOME, QUAX, ARIADNE, ...</i>	<i>CASPER, srEDM, ...</i>

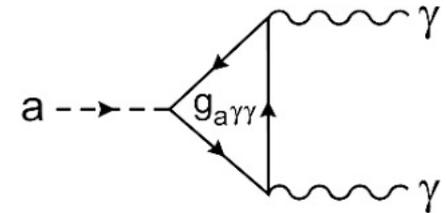
- Most commonly rely on EM interaction*

- Axion dynamics*

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{4} g_{a\gamma\gamma} a \mathcal{F} \tilde{\mathcal{F}} = -g_{a\gamma\gamma} a \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

$$g_{a\gamma\gamma}^{QCD} \simeq \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{1}{f_a} \left( \frac{E}{N} - 1.92 \right)$$

$$\text{cf. } g_{a\gamma\gamma}^{ALP} \simeq \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{1}{f_a}$$



- Benchmark models*

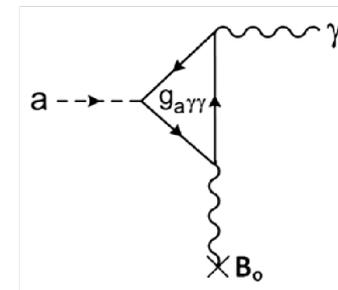
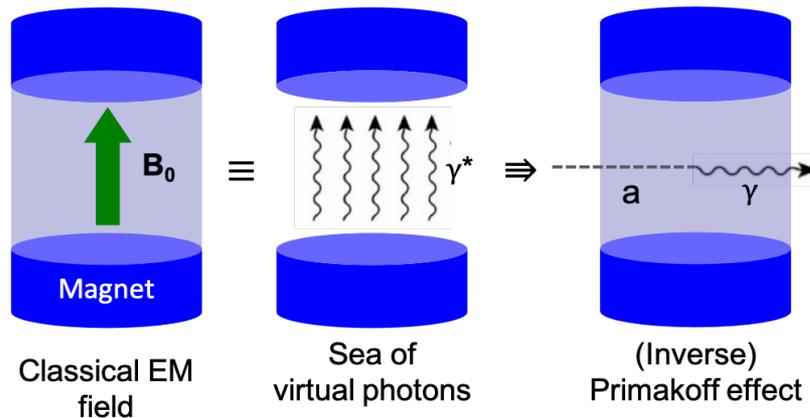
- KSVZ*:  $E/N = 0, 2$  (Heavy quarks)
- DFSZ*:  $E/N = 8/3$  (Higgs doublet)



# Detection principle



- *EM interaction mediating axion-photon coupling*
- *Presence of axion field modifies Maxwell's equations*
  - $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \rho - g_{a\gamma\gamma} \nabla a \cdot \mathbf{B}$
  - $\nabla \times \mathbf{B} - \dot{\mathbf{E}} = \mathbf{j} + g_{a\gamma\gamma} (\dot{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{B} + \nabla a \times \mathbf{E})$
  - *For invisible axions,  $\nabla a \approx 0$ ,  $\dot{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{B}$  is in more effect*
- *Axion-to-photon conversion (1983)*
  - *Axions "borrow" virtual photons from a magnetic field to turn into real photons*



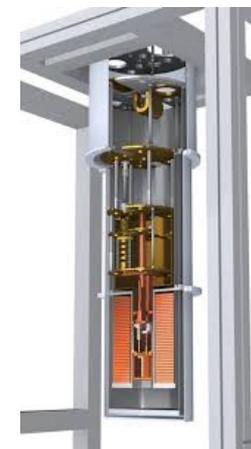
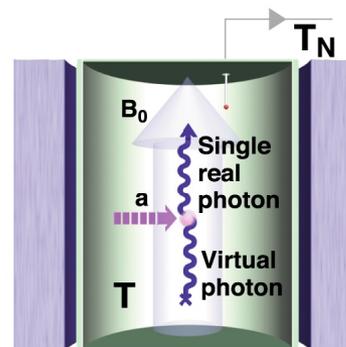


# Search strategies



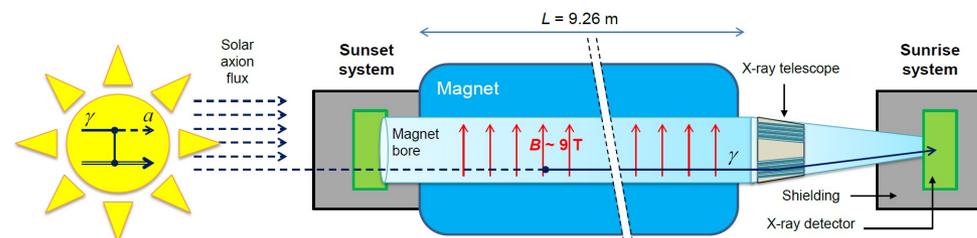
## • Haloscope

- DM axions in our galactic halo
- Microwave resonators
- ADMX, HAYSTAC, CAPP,...



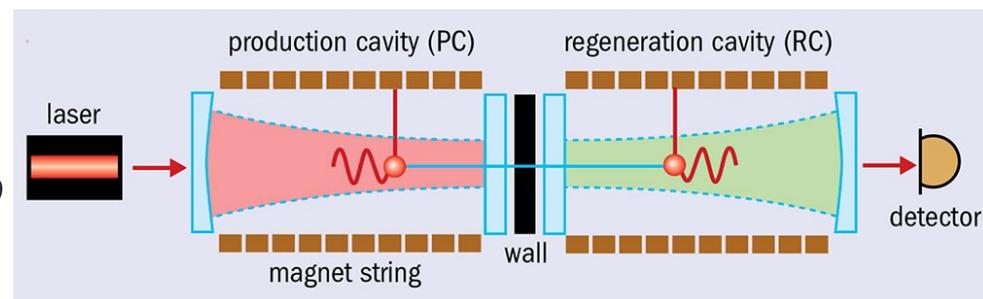
## • Helioscope

- Solar axions
- Emitted by the solar core
- CAST, IAXO,...



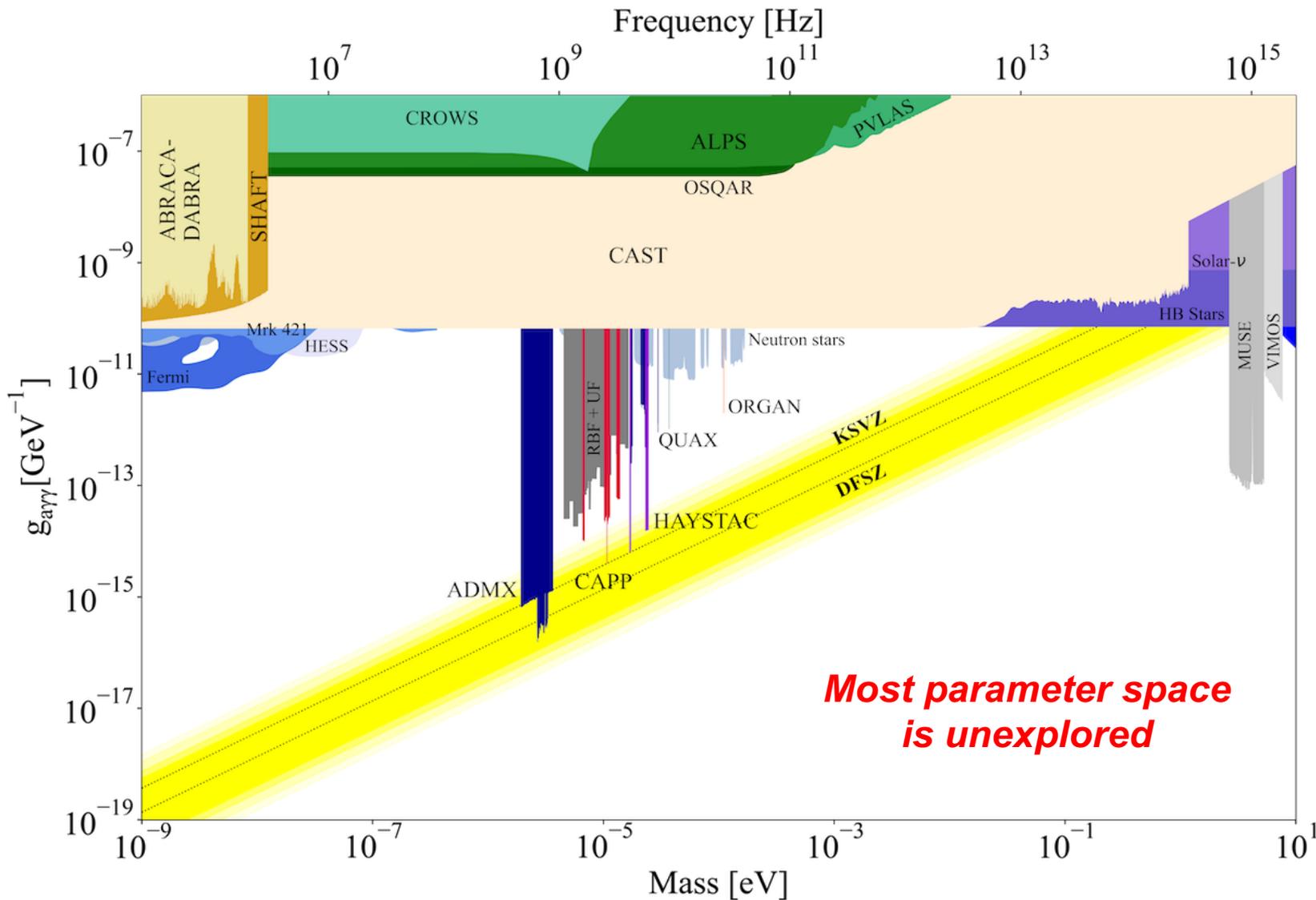
## • Photon regeneration

- Light Shining through Wall
- Axion production at the lab
- ALPS,...





# Axion searches – present





# *Haloscope Searches*

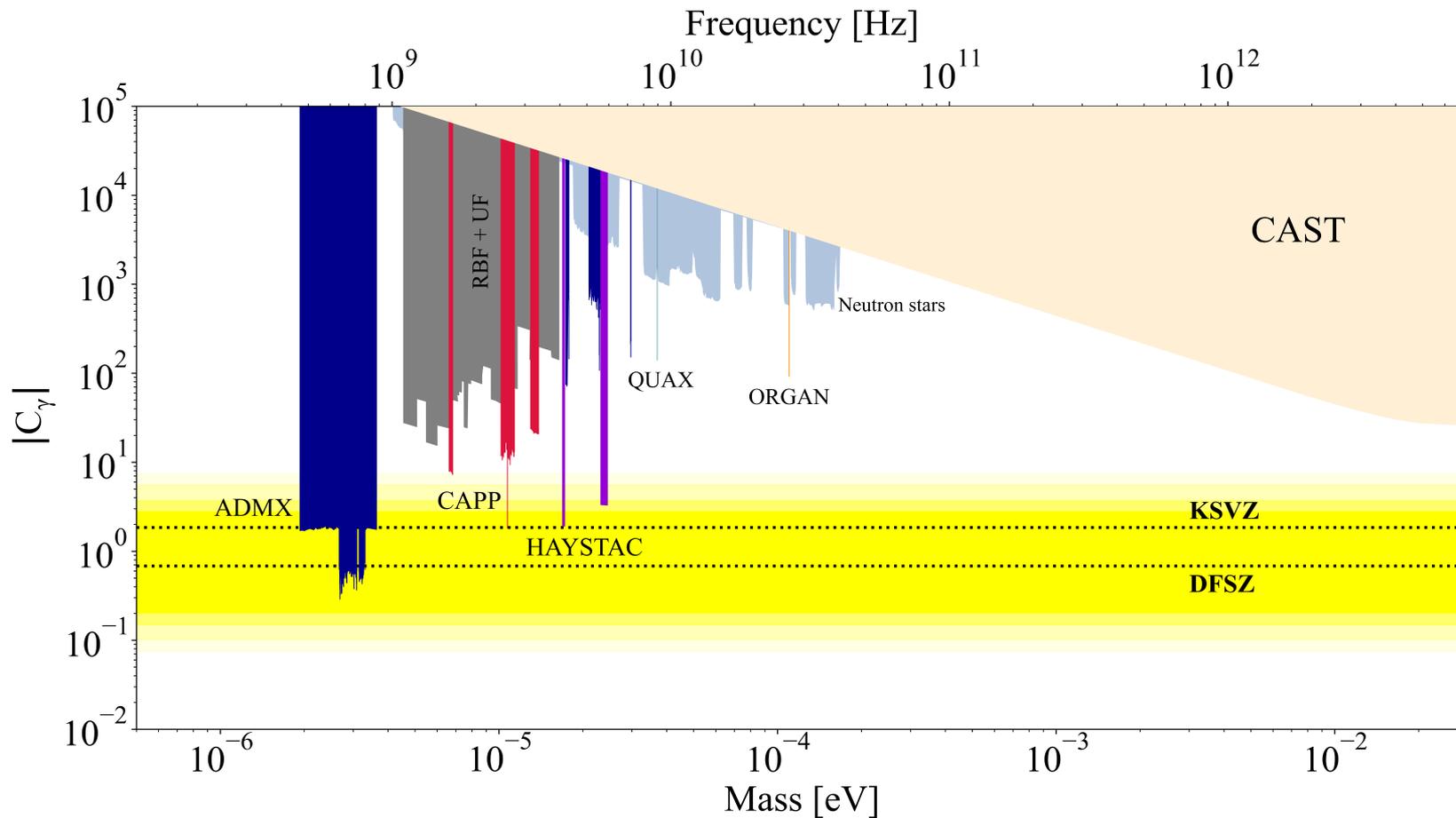
*Cavity haloscopes*

*Dielectric haloscopes*

*Other haloscopes*



# Haloscope searches – present





# Cavity haloscopes



- *Most sensitive approach*

- Microwave photon signals from axions in our galactic halo
- Resonant effect w/ a strong magnetic field

- *Axion-photon conversion power*

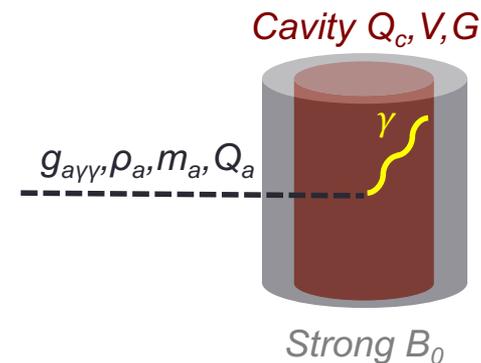
$$P_{a\gamma\gamma} = 1.0 \times 10^{-23} \text{ W} \left( \frac{C_\gamma}{0.75} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\rho_a}{0.45 \frac{\text{GeV}}{\text{cm}^3}} \right) \left( \frac{v_a}{1 \text{ GHz}} \right) \left( \frac{B_0}{10 \text{ T}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{V}{30 \text{ L}} \right) \left( \frac{G}{0.5} \right) \left( \frac{Q_c}{10^5} \right)$$

- *Unknown mass => scan rate (FOM)*

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 1.0 \frac{\text{GHz}}{\text{year}} \left( \frac{5}{\text{snr}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{0.15 \text{ K}}{T_{\text{sys}}} \right)^2 (P_{a\gamma\gamma})^2 \left( \frac{10^5}{Q_c} \right)$$

- *History*

- Rochester-Brookhaven-Fermilab & UF
- ADMX, HAYSTAC
- CAPP, ORGAN, QUAX, ...





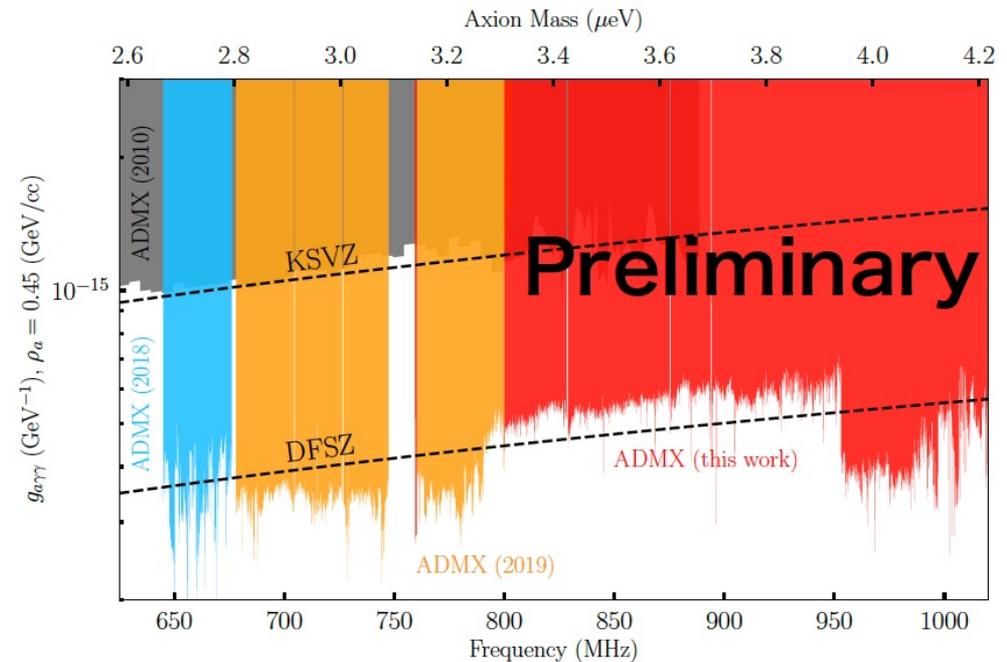
# ADMX



*T. Nitta (Mon), A. Hipp (Wed), B. Jois (Thu)*

## • Axion Dark Matter eXperiment (UW)

- 7.6T SC solenoid
- 150 liter copper plated cavity
- $T_{\text{phy}} \sim 100 \text{ mK}$
- QNLA (MSA/JPA)  $\sim 200 \text{ mK}$
- **DFSZ sensitivity** for up to 1 GHz





# ADMX



A. Hipp (Wed) and B. Jois (Thu)



Single cavity w/ large rods

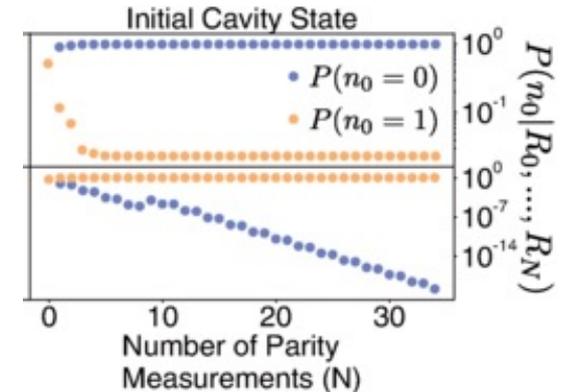
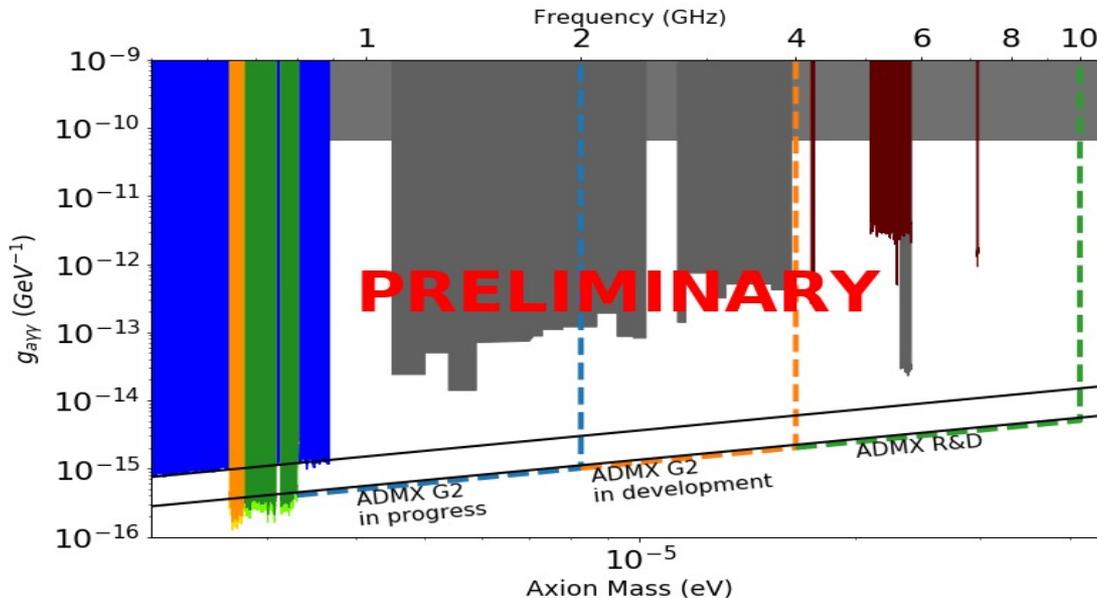
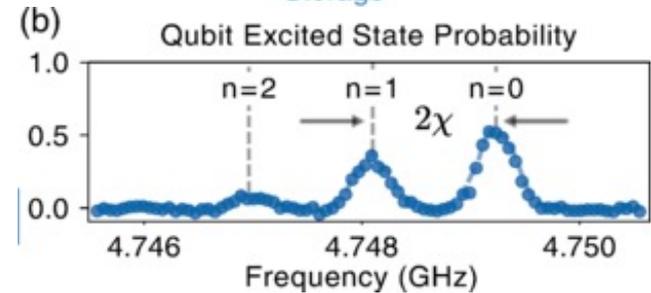
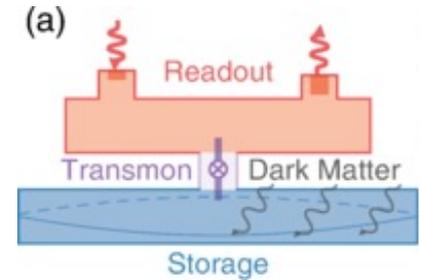


4-cavity array



14-cavity array

## Single photon detector



- Repeated NDM
- Noise reduction:  $-15.6$  dB

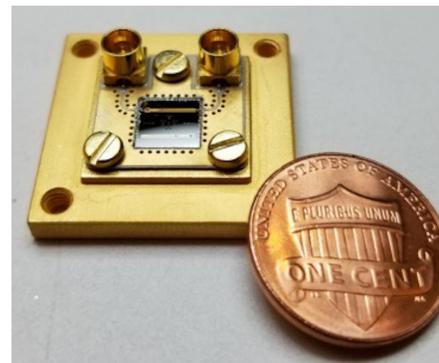


# HAYSTAC

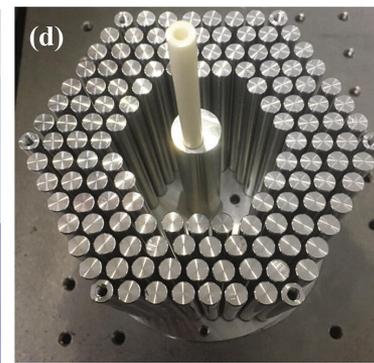


- *Haloscope At Yale Sensitive To Axion CDM*

- 9T SC solenoid
- 127 mK + *JPA* (~500 mK)
- Sensitive to ~5 GHz axions
- First result in 2017



Josephson Parametric amplifiers



Photonic band gap structure



Multi-rod tunable cavity

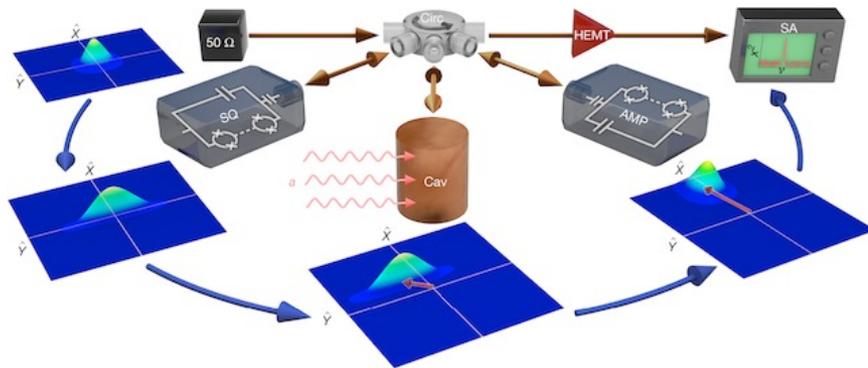


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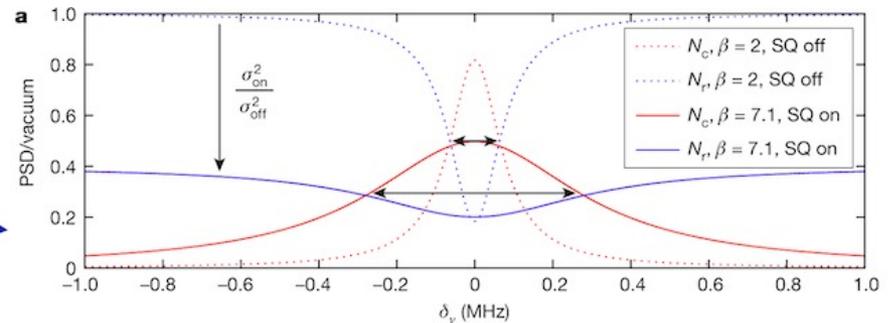


- Quantum enhanced search
  - Squeezed-state receiver (SSR)

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Wider bandwidth => Doubling scan rate

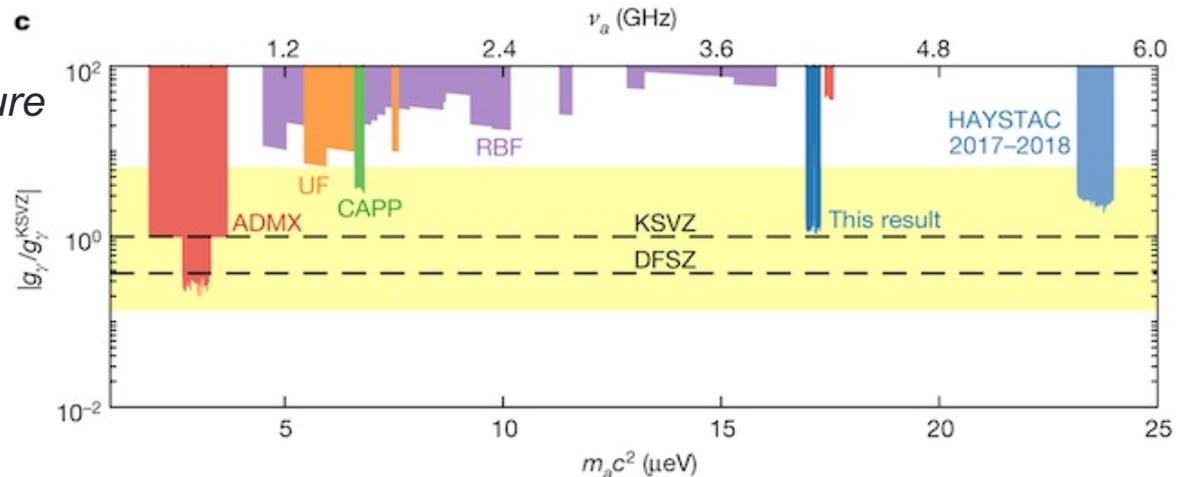


## Two JPA system

SQJPA: squeezing a quadrature

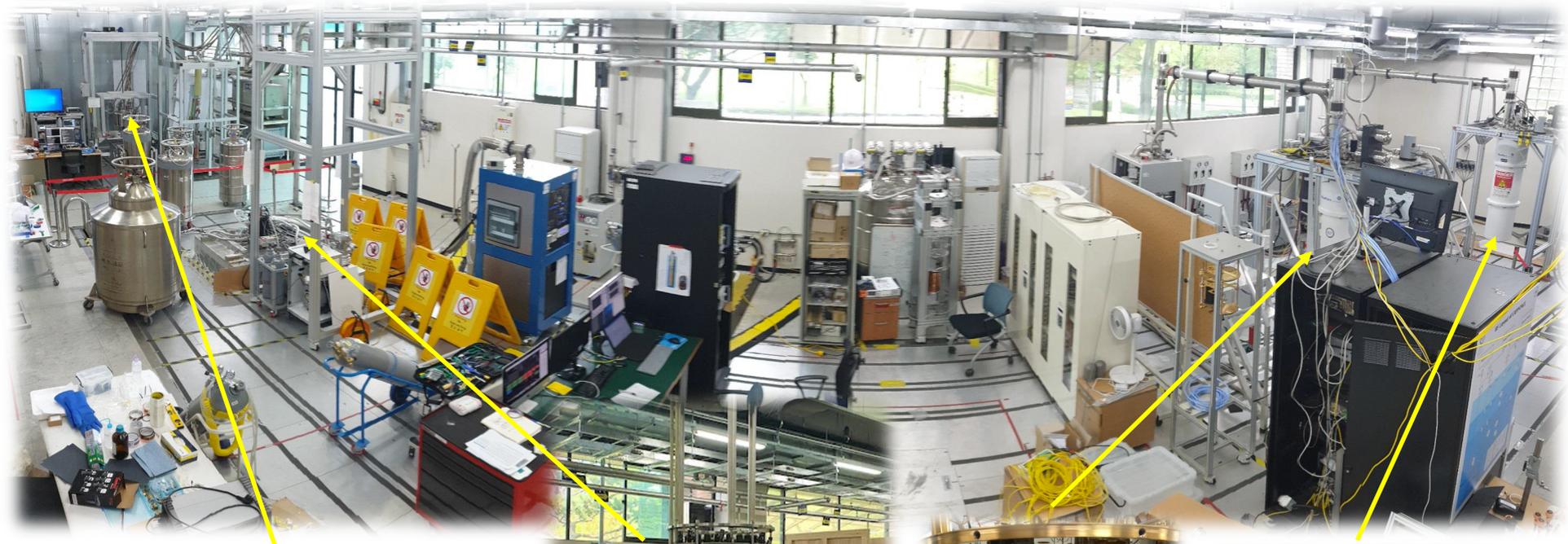
Axion: displacing the state

AMP JPA: unsqueezing + amplifying the displacement





# IBS-CAPP



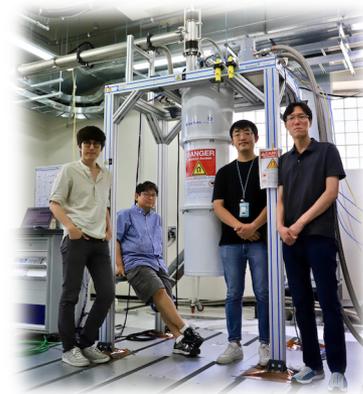
**CAPP-9T MC**



**CAPP-12TB**



**CAPP-PACE**



**CAPP-8TB**



# IBS-CAPP



1. CAPP-8TB

### 1. CAPP-8TB

- 8T/165mm
- $T_{phy} \sim 50 \text{ mK}$
- HEMT  $\sim 1 \text{ K}$
- 1.6 GHz
- *First result*



2. CAPP-9T MC

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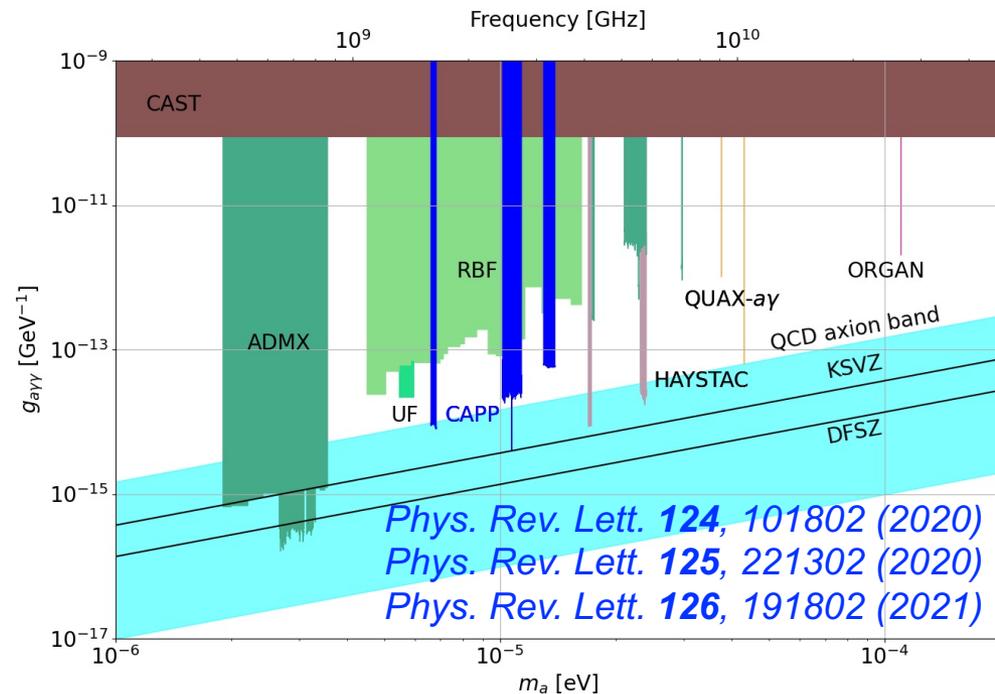
- 9T/127mm
- $T_{phy} \sim 2 \text{ K}$
- HEMT  $\sim 1.5 \text{ K}$
- $> 3 \text{ GHz}$
- *Pizza cavity*



3. CAPP-PACE

### 3. CAPP-PACE

- 8T/127mm
- $T_{phy} \sim 40 \text{ mK}$
- HEMT  $\sim 1 \text{ K}$
- 2.5 GHz
- $\sim 300 \text{ MHz}$





# IBS-CAPP

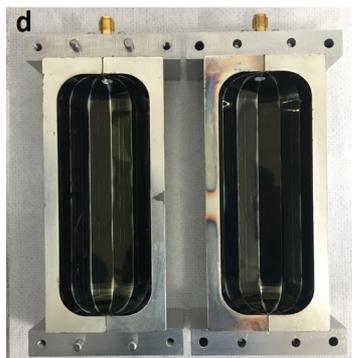


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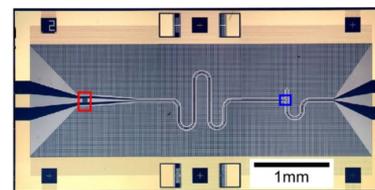
DFSZ sensitive



D. Ahn (Tue)



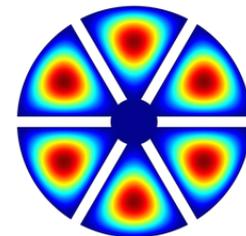
SC cavity ( $Q > 1M$ )



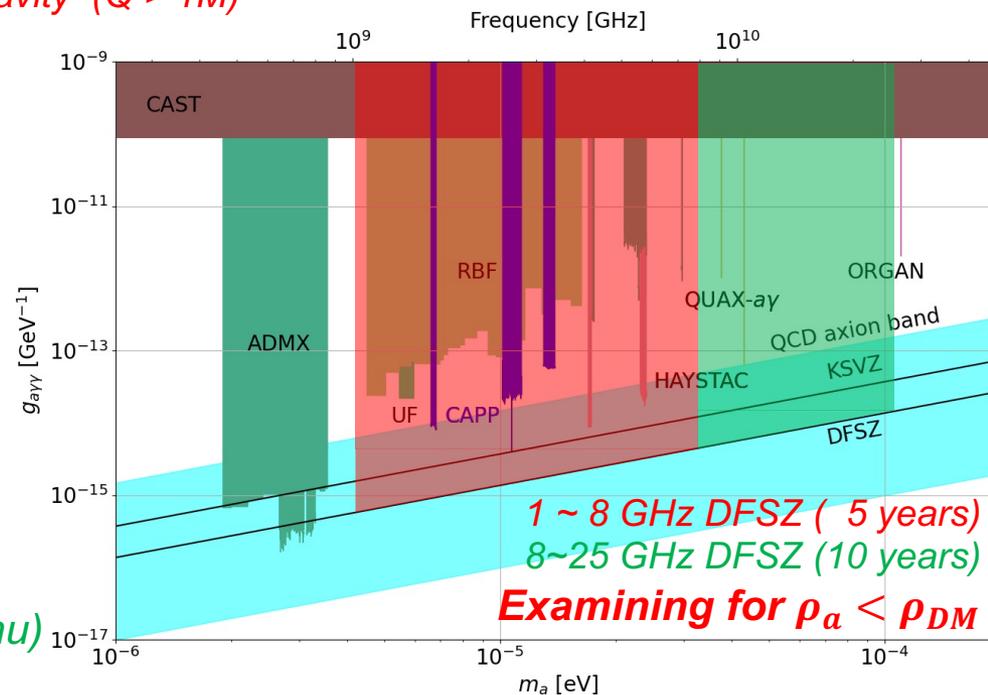
JPA

$f = 1 \sim 6$  GHz  
( $T_n = 2 \sim 4$  QLN)

J. Jeong (Thu)



High frequency



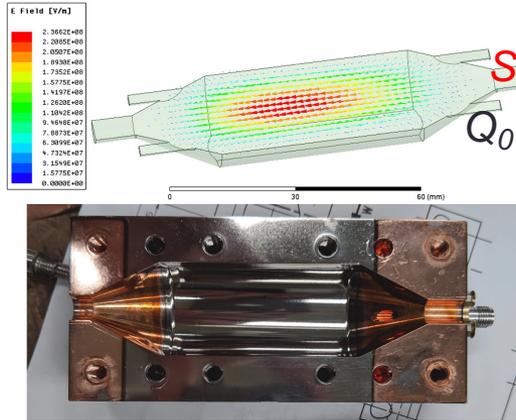
A. Yi (Thu)



# Other cavity haloscopes

## QUAX-ay

A. Rettaroli (Wed)  
L. Kuzmin (Thu)

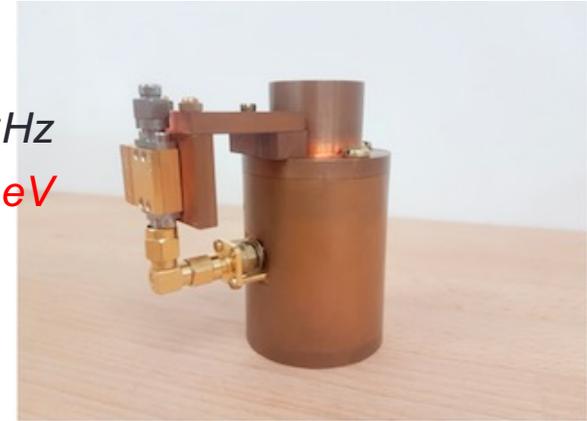


SC (NbTi) cavity

$Q_0 = 2 \times 10^5 @ 2T$   
 $f_a = 9 \text{ GHz}$

## ORGAN

B. Mcallister (Thu)



$B = 14 \text{ T}$   
 $f_a = 26.5 \text{ GHz}$   
 $m_a = 110 \mu\text{eV}$

## CAST-CAPP

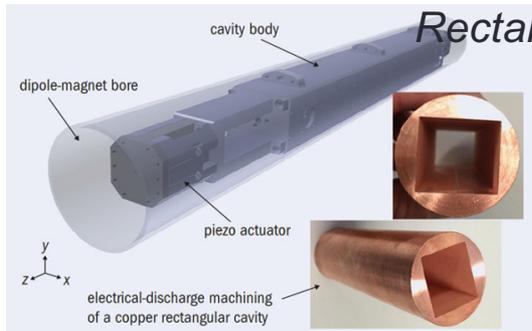
M. Maroudas (Wed)

CAST dipole magnet (9T)

Phase-matching

Rectangular cavities

$m_a \sim 20 \mu\text{eV}$



## RADES

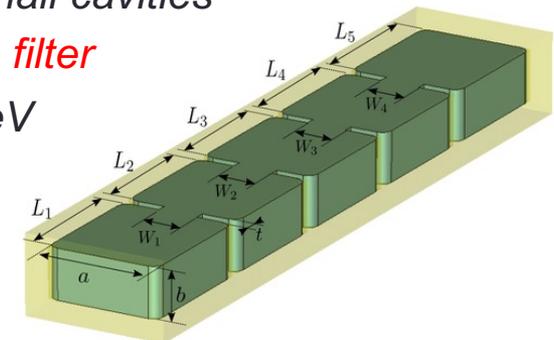
S. Cuendis (Fri)

CAST dipole magnet (9T)

Array of small cavities

Microwave filter

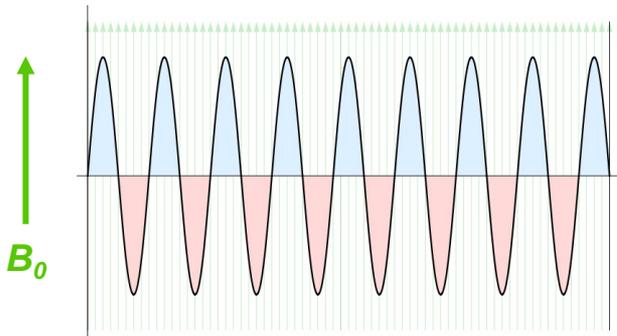
$m_a \sim 34 \mu\text{eV}$



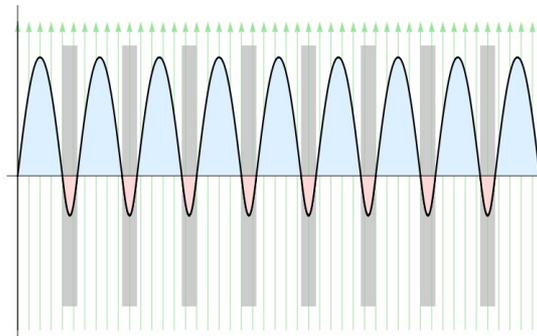


# Dielectric haloscopes

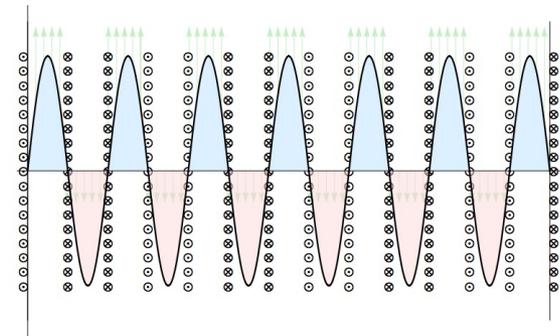
- *Periodic planes for short wavelength*
- *Non-vanishing form factors*



*Form factor vanishes w/ a static B field*

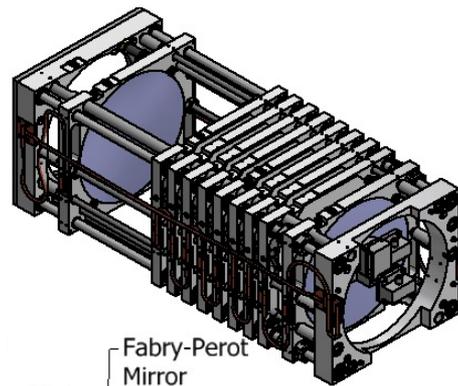


*Suppressing negative E field (dielectric planes)*

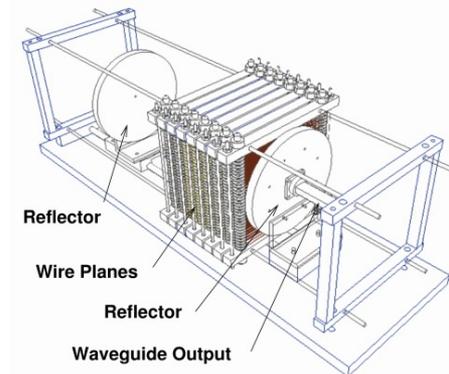


*Producing alternating B field (wire planes)*

$$C_{mnp} = \frac{\left| \int \vec{E}_c \cdot \vec{B}_0 dV \right|^2}{\int \epsilon |\vec{E}_c|^2 dV \int |\vec{B}_0|^2 dV}$$



**Electric Tiger**



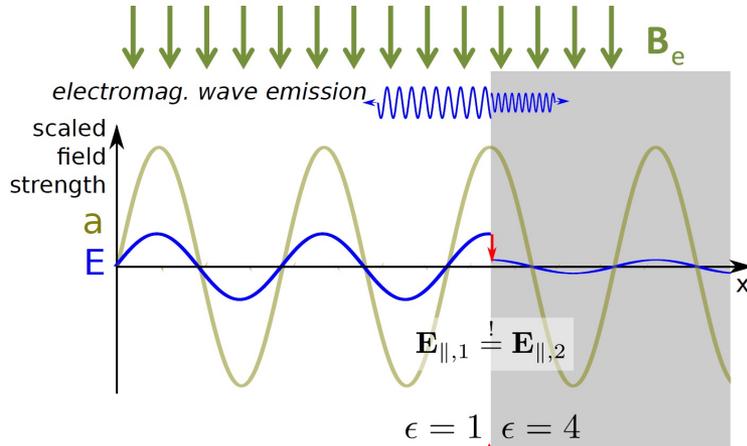
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# MADMAX

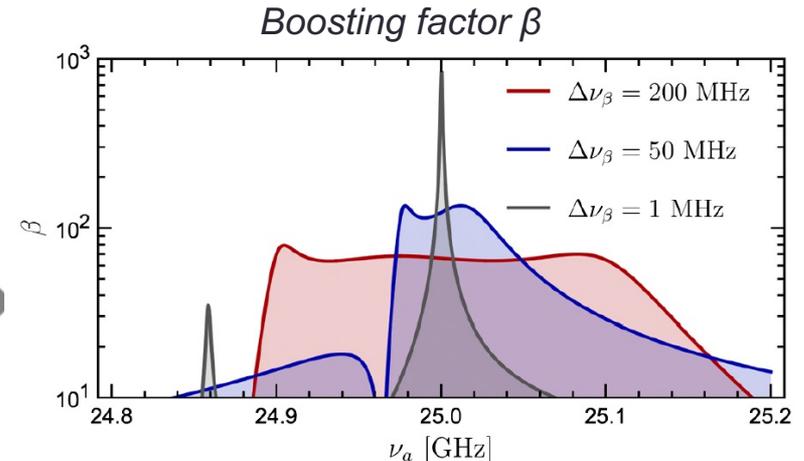
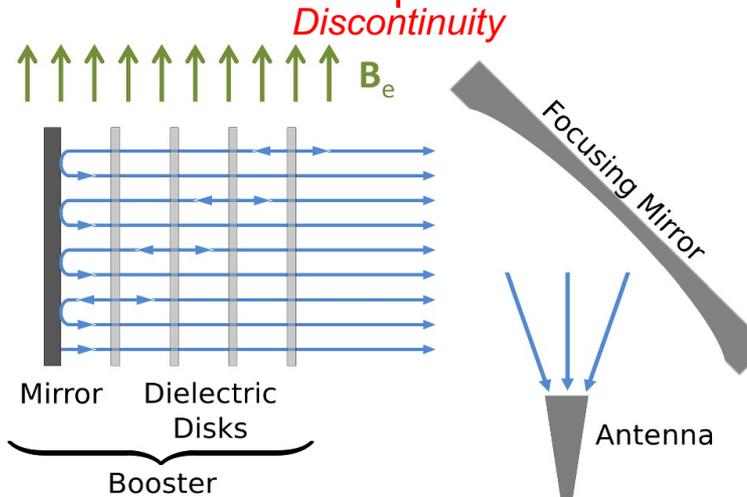


## • *MA*gnetized *Disk-and-Mirror* *AX*ion *eX*periment



$$P_{a\gamma\gamma} = 1.6 \times 10^{-22} \text{ W} \left( \frac{\beta^2}{5 \times 10^4} \right) \left( \frac{A}{1 \text{ m}^2} \right) \left( \frac{B_e}{10 \text{ T}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{C_{a\gamma}}{1} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\rho_a}{0.45 \text{ GeV cm}^{-3}} \right)$$

- Frequency: distance b/w disks
- 40–400  $\mu\text{eV}$  (10–100 GHz)
- *Suitable for high mass searches*

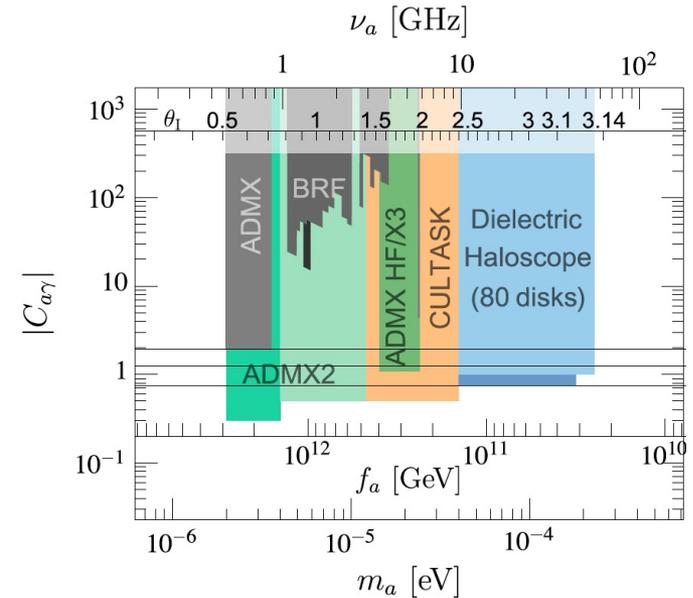
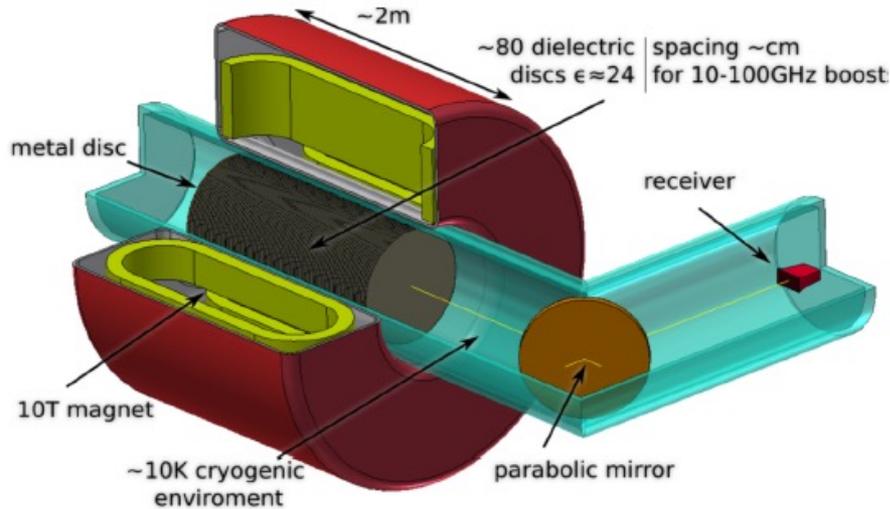




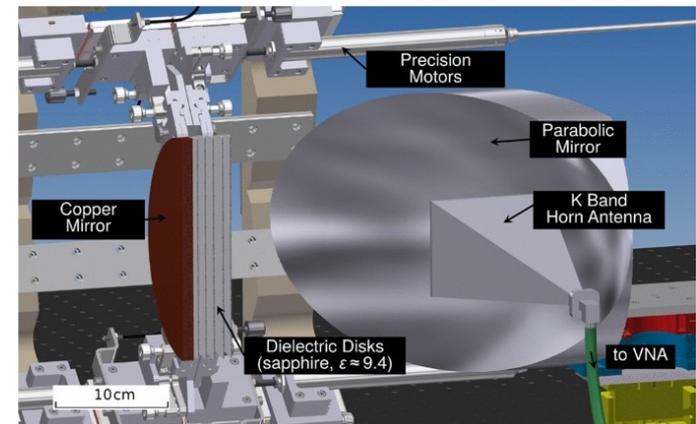
# MADMAX



## • Full scale experiment



- 2m / 10T dipole magnet
- 80 1m<sup>2</sup> dielectric disks ( $\epsilon \sim 25$ )
- 40–400  $\mu\text{eV}$  (10–100 GHz)
- C. Krieger (Fri)
- Proof of principle booster setup
- < 5 sapphire disks



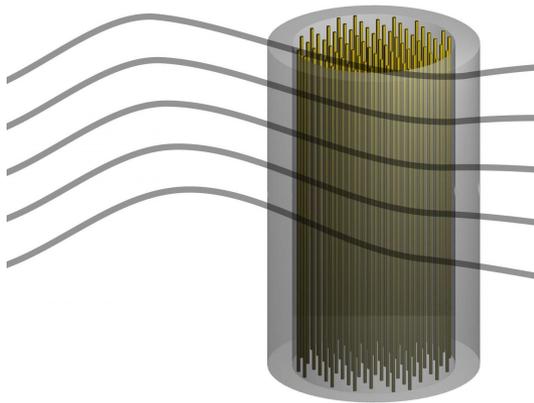


# Plasma haloscope



## • Resonance w/ plasma frequency

M. Lawson (Fri)

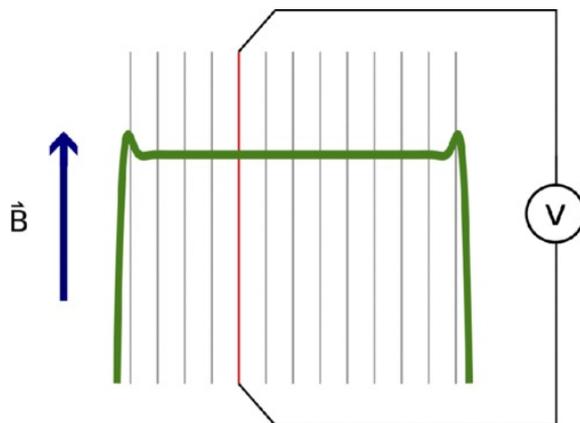


$$\omega_p^2 = \frac{n_e e^2}{m_{eff}} = \frac{2\pi}{s^2 \log(s/d)}$$

$\omega_p$  depends on  $s$  &  $d$

- $s$ : inter space
- $d$ : wire radius

=> **Large conversion volume at high frequencies**

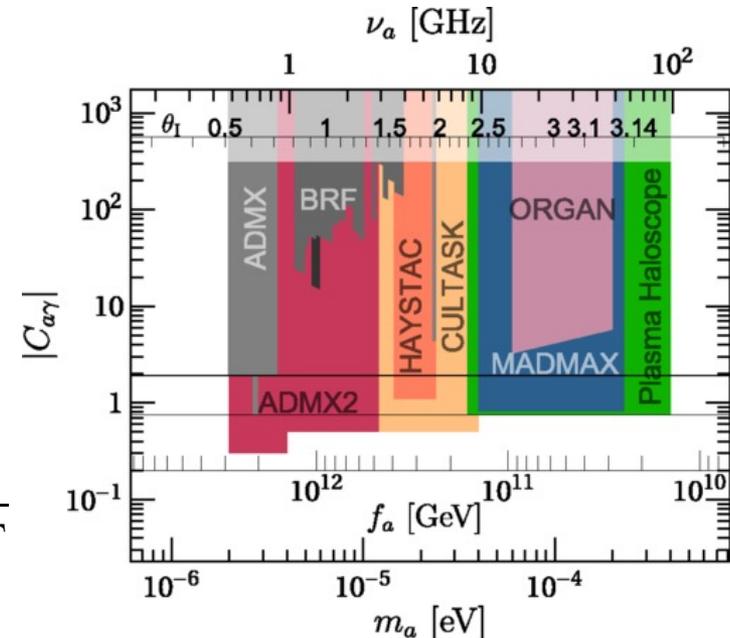


Periodic structure



Meta-material  
(bulk plasmon)

$$\epsilon_z = 1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2 - k_z^2 - i\omega\Gamma}$$



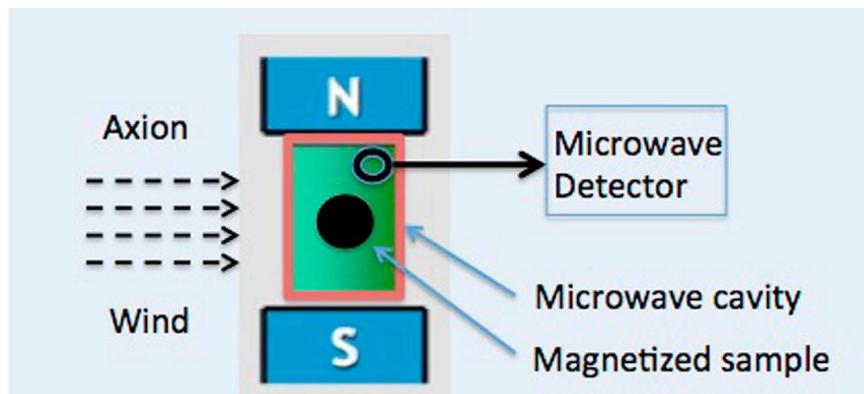


# Other haloscopes



## • QUAX-ae

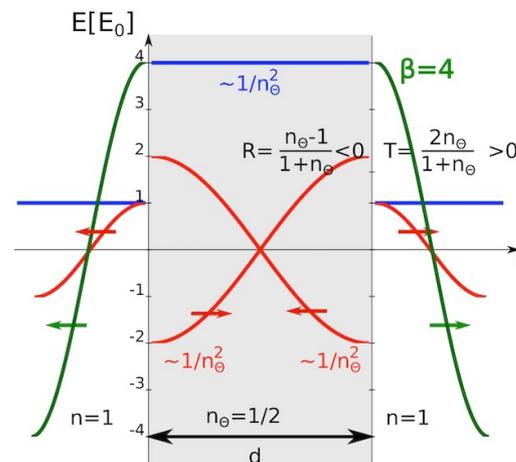
- Ferromagnetic haloscope
- **Axion-electron coupling**
- Photon-magnon system
  - Series of YIG spheres
  - $TM_{110}$  of a cylindrical cavity
- Upgraded with JPA
- Best limit near  $m_a \sim 43 \mu\text{eV}$



## • TOORAD

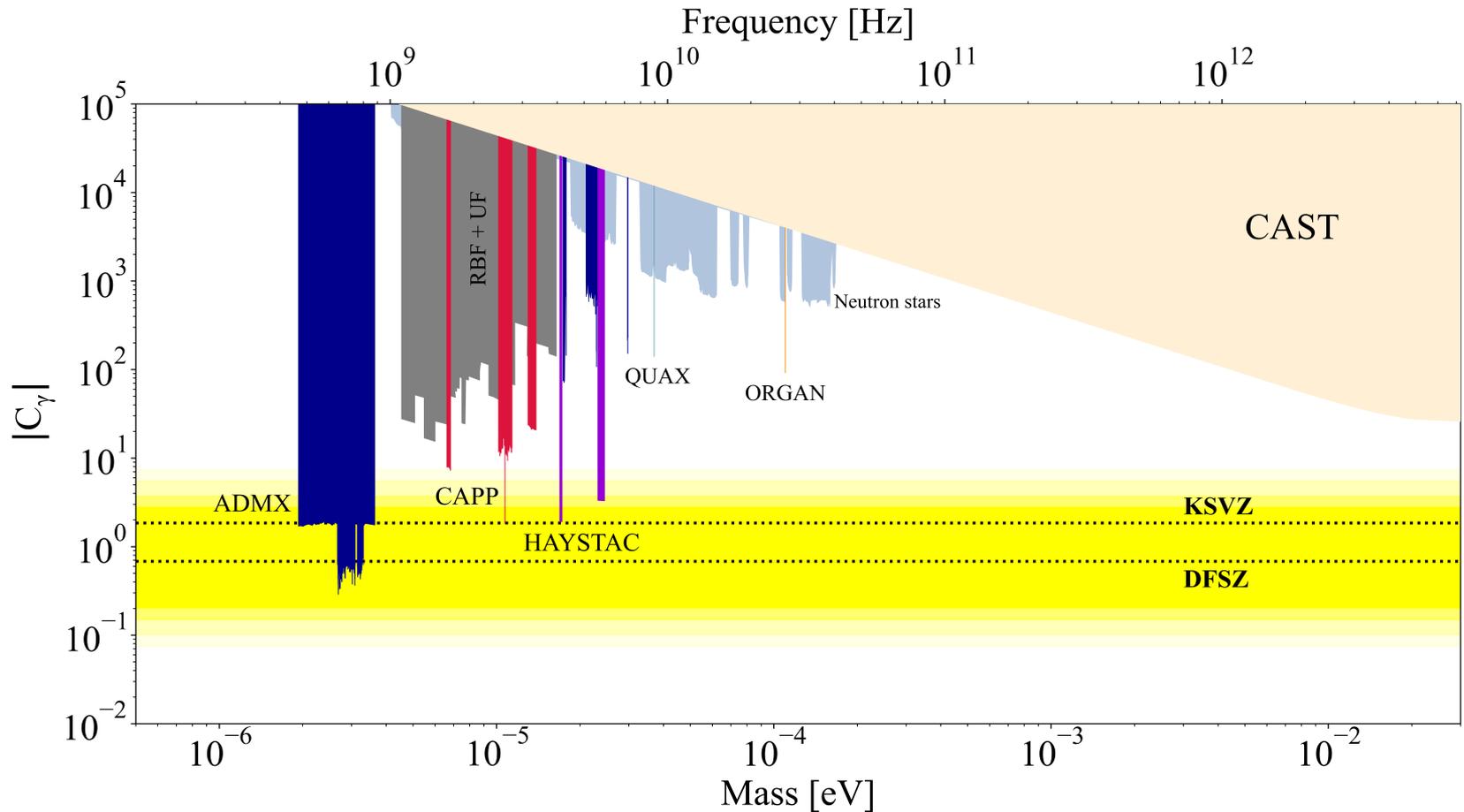
*D. Marsh (Fri)*

- Axion quasiparticles (AQs) in topological insulators (TI)
  - Hybridizes with  $E$  field
- Resonance leading to  $n < 1$ 
  - Enhancing  $E$  field inside TI
- Internal reflection
  - Boosting  $E$  field signal
- **Proposal for  $m_a \sim \text{meV}$  ( $f_a \sim \text{THz}$ )**



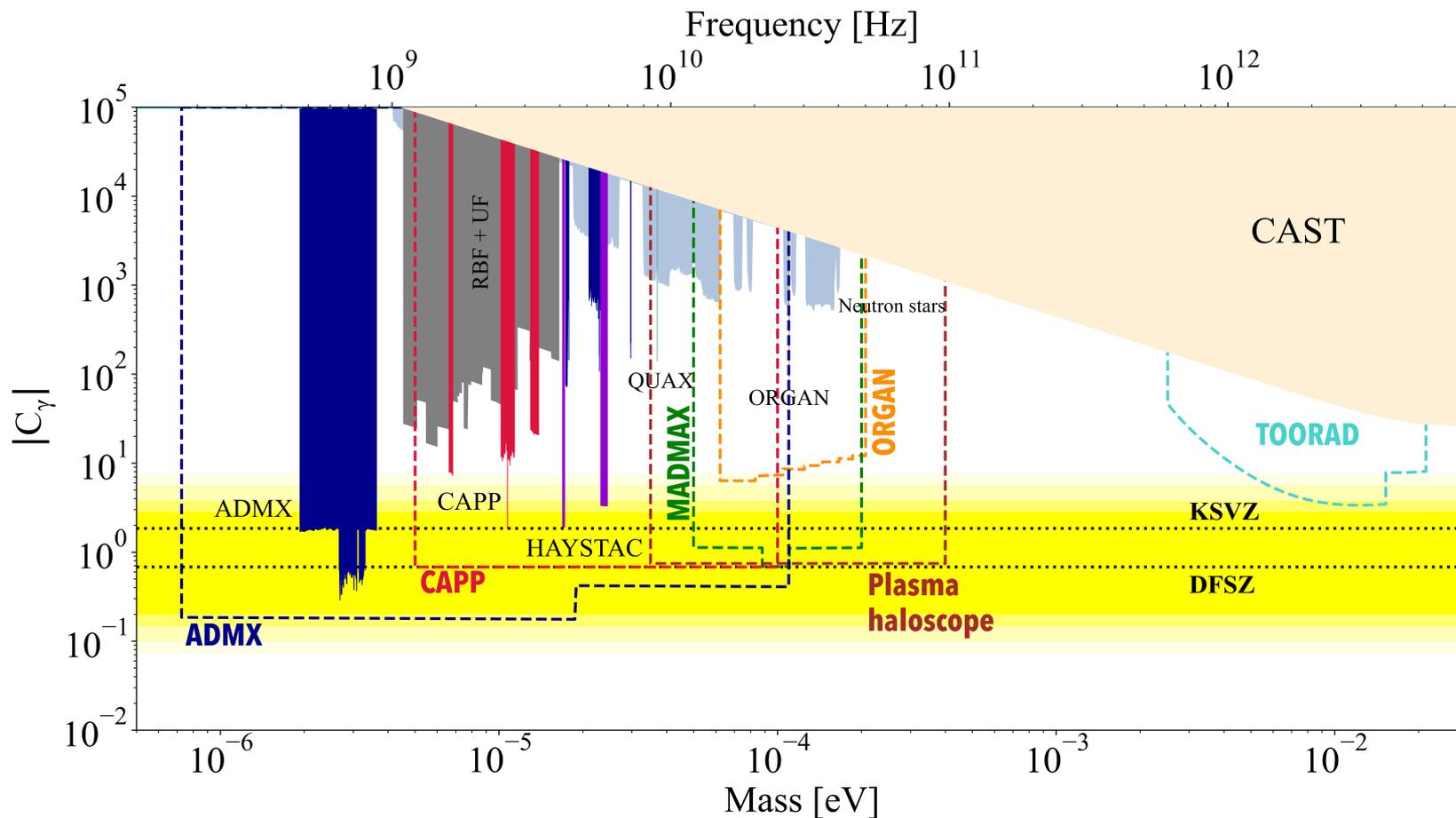


# Haloscope searches – present





# Haloscope searches – future





# *Low mass axion searches*

*Lumped element searches*

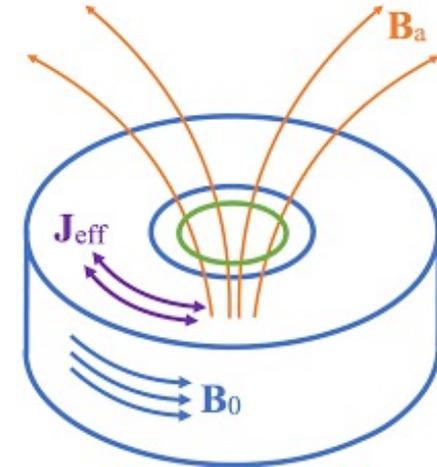
*NMR-based searches*



# Lumped element searches

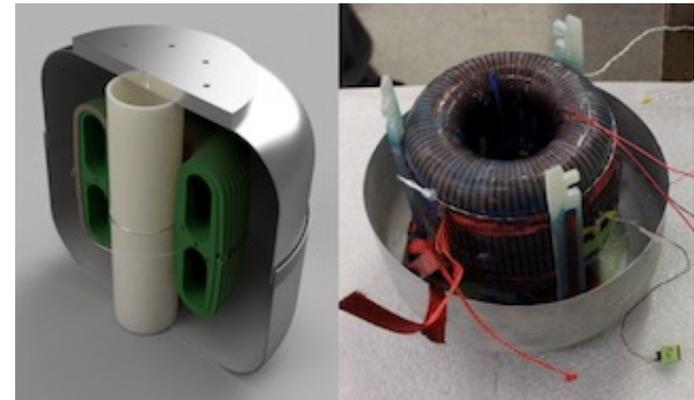
- ABRACADABRA**

- Toroidal magnetic background  
=> time-varying effective current  
=> oscillating magnetic field  $B_a$

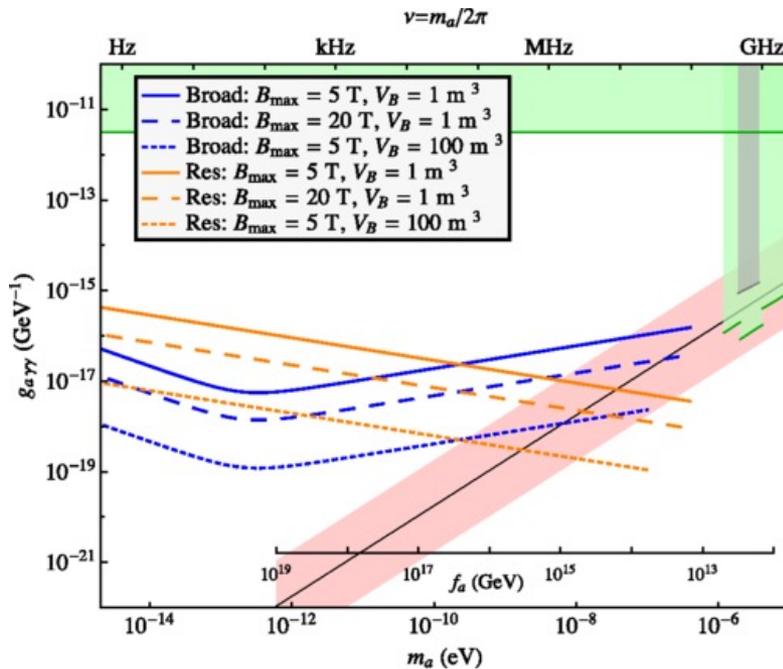


$$J_{eff} = g_{a\gamma} \sqrt{2\rho_a} \cos(m_a t) B_0$$

ABRACADABRA-10cm



- Sensitive to low mass axions**

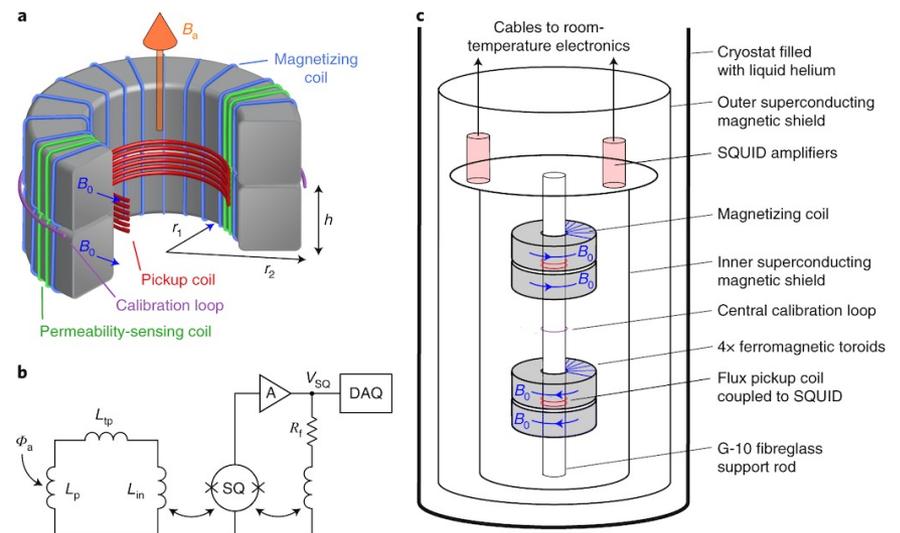
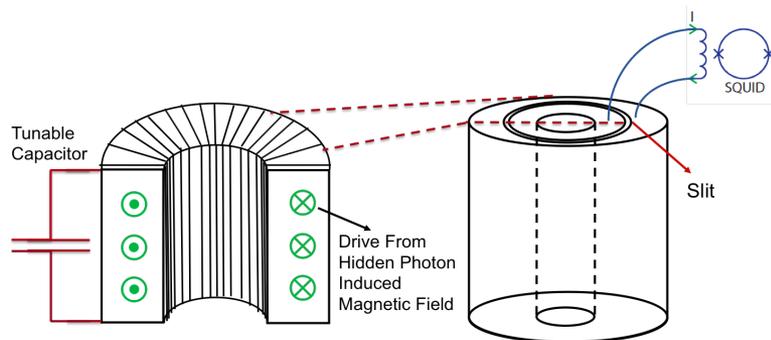




# Lumped element searches



- **DM Radio** *R. Henning (Mon)*
  - **Solenoidal** version
    - Dual search program
  - Joint w/ ABRACADABRA
  - Optimized SC LC circuit
    - **10 peV to  $\mu\text{eV}$**
  - Series of experiments
    - DMRadio-50L,  $-m^3$ , -GUT
  - Pathfinder for pre-inflation QCD axions
- **SHAFT** *A. Sushkov (Thu)*
  - **Ferromagnetic** toroidal magnets ( $B_0 = 1.5 \text{ T}$ )
  - Two pairs for stacked toroids
    - Separate pickup coil
    - B fields in opposite direction
    - **Reduction of correlated systematic noise** ( $150 \text{ aT}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ )
  - Low mass  $10^{-11}$  to  $10^{-8} \text{ eV}$

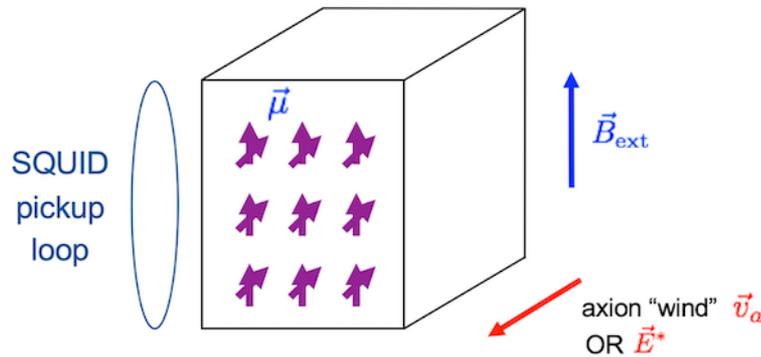




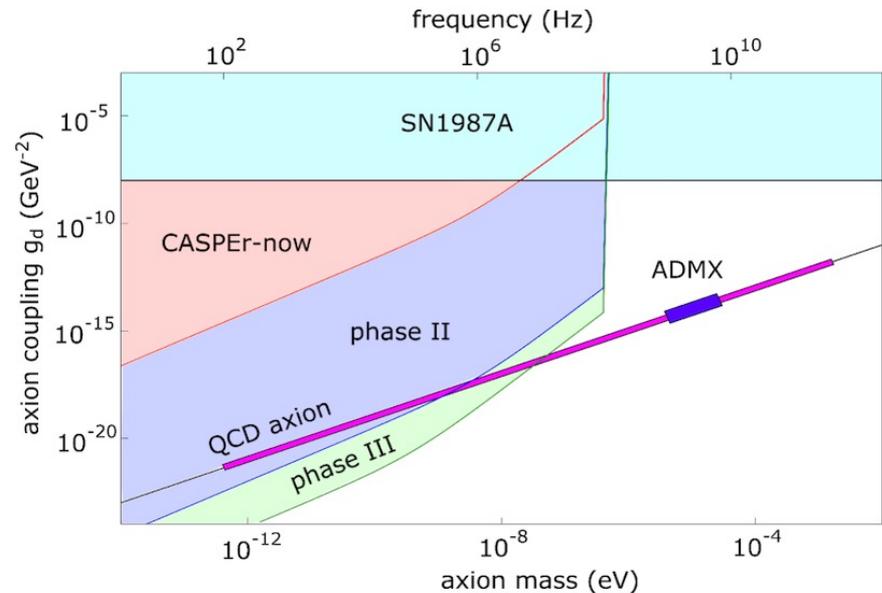
# NMR-based search

- **CASPER (Cosmic Axion Spin Precession Experiment)**
  - Axion dark matter field => **oscillating nuclear EDM**
    - $d_{EDM}(t) = g_{EDM} \sqrt{2\rho_a} \cos(m_a t) / m_a$
  - Nuclear magnetic resonance effect
    - Larmor frequency (depending on  $B_{ext}$ ) = oscillating frequency
  - Pick up by SQUID magnetometer
- **Highly sensitive to  $m_a < 10$  neV**

*D. Budker and D. Aybas (Thu)*



Larmor frequency = axion mass → resonant enhancement  
 SQUID measures resulting transverse magnetization  
 Example materials: liquid  $^{129}\text{Xe}$ , ferroelectric  $\text{PbTiO}_3$





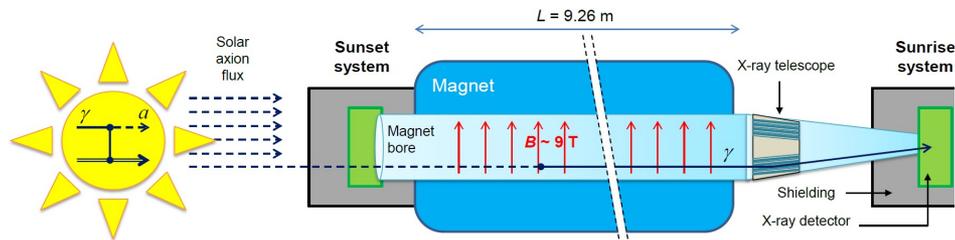
# *Helioscope searches*

## *CAST, IAXO*



# Helioscope searches

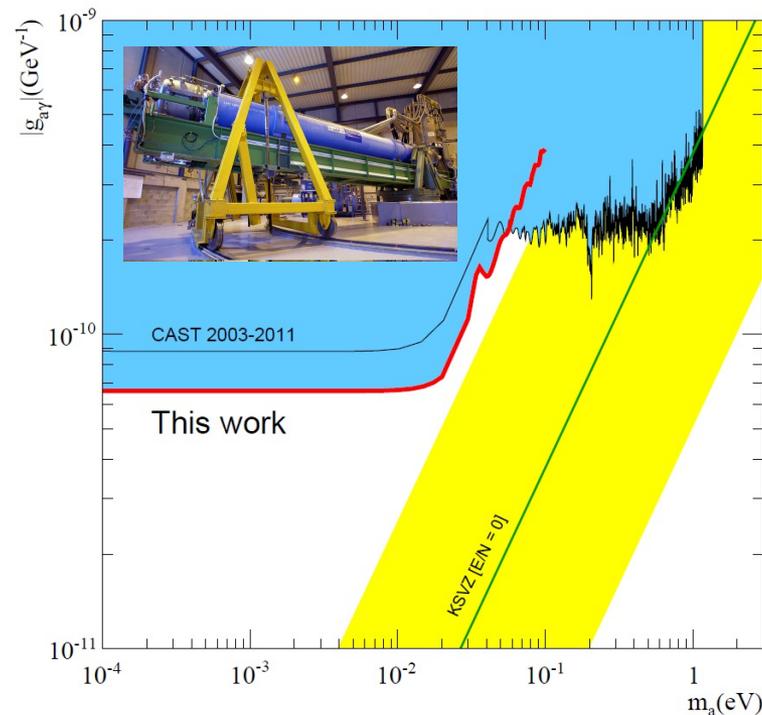
- Stars are the strongest sources to produce axions
  - Primakoff scattering of charged particles in the stellar plasma
- Solar axion to X-ray conversion telescope



$$P_{a\gamma\gamma} \sim \left( \frac{g_{a\gamma\gamma} B_0}{q} \right) \sin \left( \frac{qL}{2} \right), \quad q \equiv \frac{m_a^2}{2E_a}$$

## History

- BNL, JAPAN
- CAST completed in 2015
- IAXO in plan



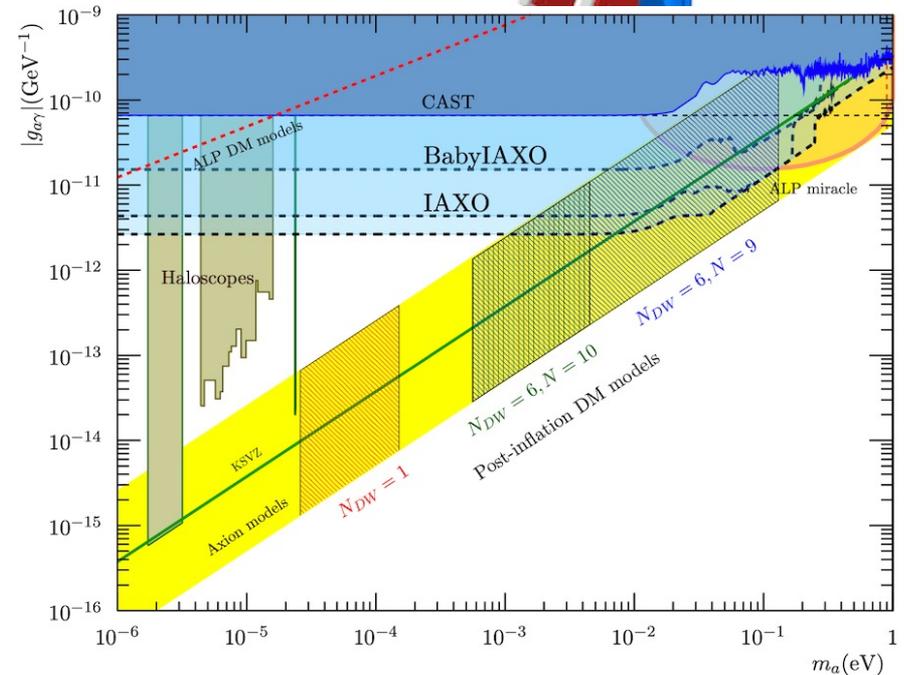
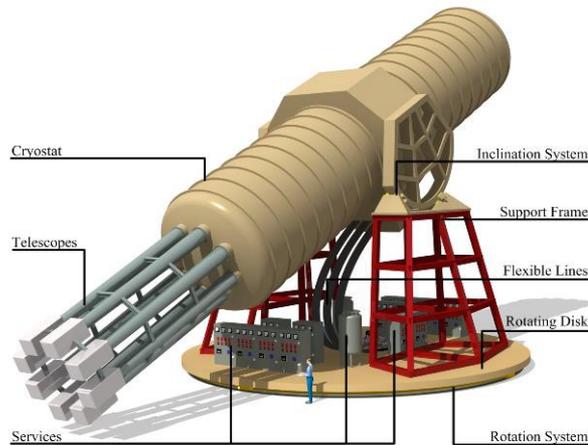
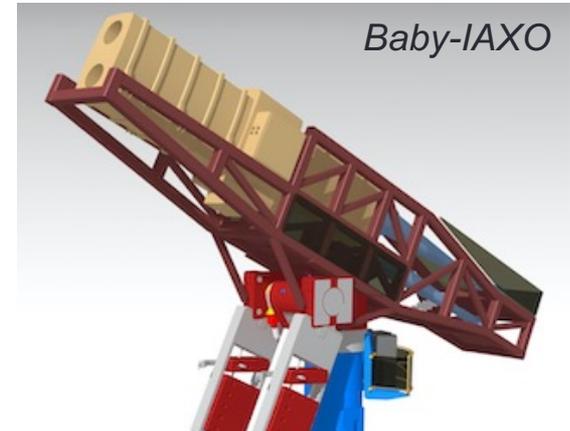


# IAXO



## International AXion Observatory

- Large toroidal helioscope
  - 8 magnets w/  $L=20\text{ m}$
  - 5.4 T / 600 mm bore
- Baby-IAXO approved in 2020 (DESY)
  - First step towards full IAXO
  - 4 T / 10 m long  $\Rightarrow 10\text{ x CAST}$
  - E. Cholis (Thu)





# *LSW searches*

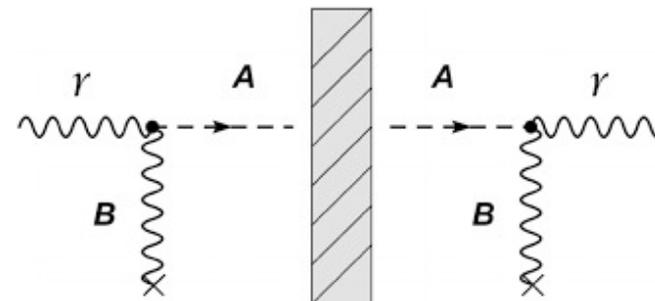
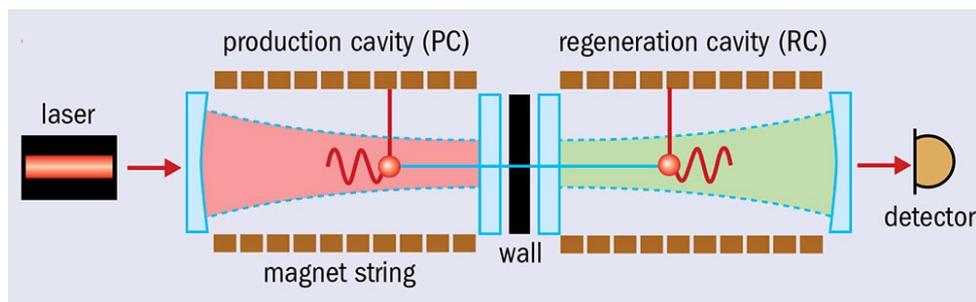
## *ALPS, ALPS II*



# LSW searches



- **Light Shining through Wall**
  - ALPs can be sought in lab by photon regeneration
  - Combination of a highly intense laser beam and strong magnetic fields
- **Characteristics**
  - Uncertainty reduction on production mechanism
  - **No cosmological assumption** (no dark matter, no solar axion models)
  - Two vertices => fourth power of coupling
- **History**
  - BFRT (Brookhaven-Fermilab-Rochester-Trieste)
  - OSQAR (LHC dipole at CERN) – most stringent limit
  - ALPS (HERA dipole at DESY)

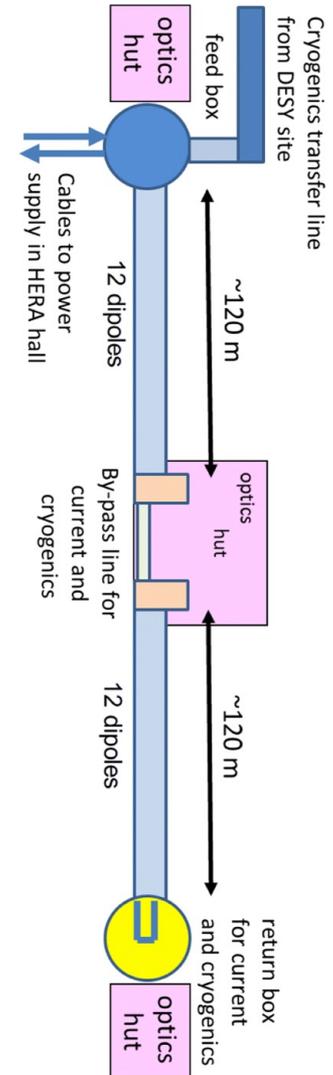
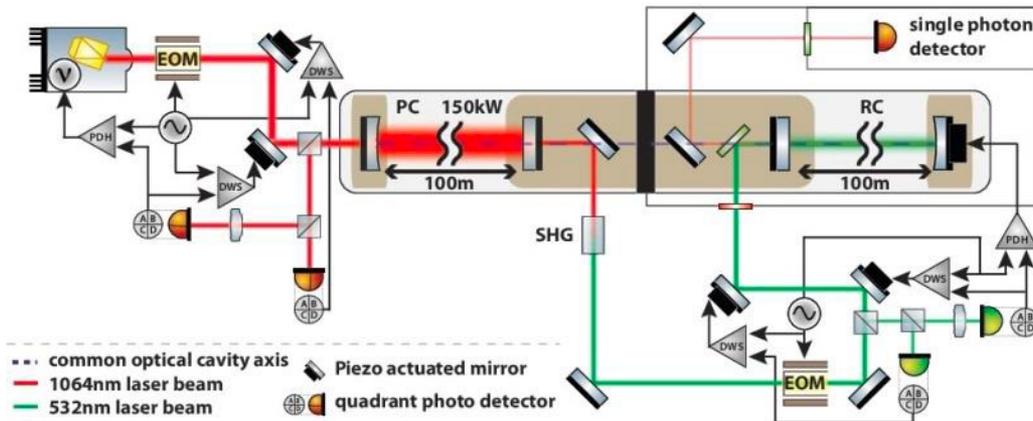




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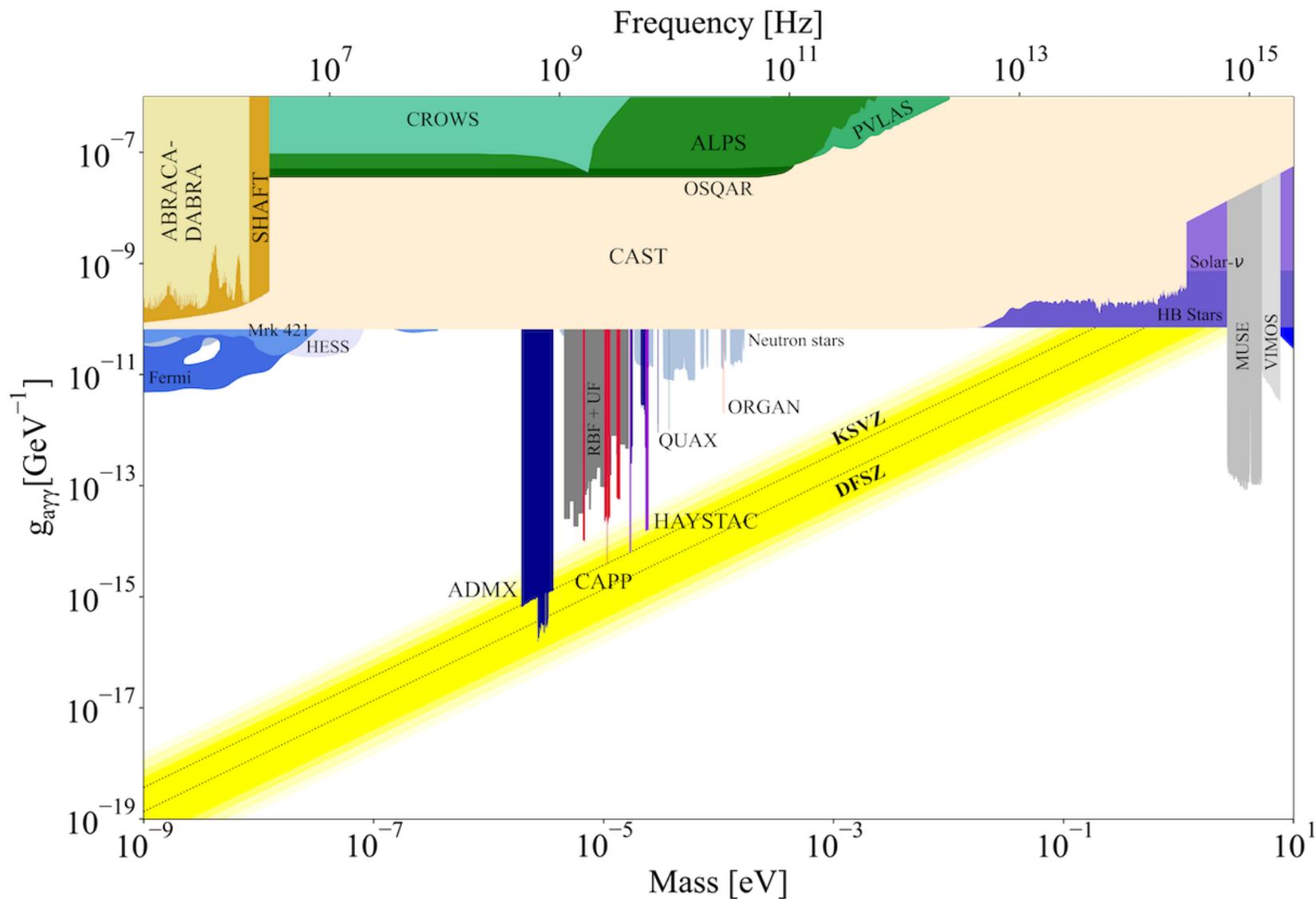


- Upgrade featured by *L. Wei (Mon)*
  - **Dual optical cavities**
    - Second Fabry-Perot resonator in the axion production side
  - **Phase-locking** between two cavities
    - Significant improvement in photon regeneration probability
  - **Longer and stronger magnetic field**
    - 2 x 12 HERA magnets (10 m & 5.3 T)
- Sensitivity improvement by 3 orders of magnitude
  - $g_{a\gamma\gamma} > 10^{-11} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$  up to 0.1 eV



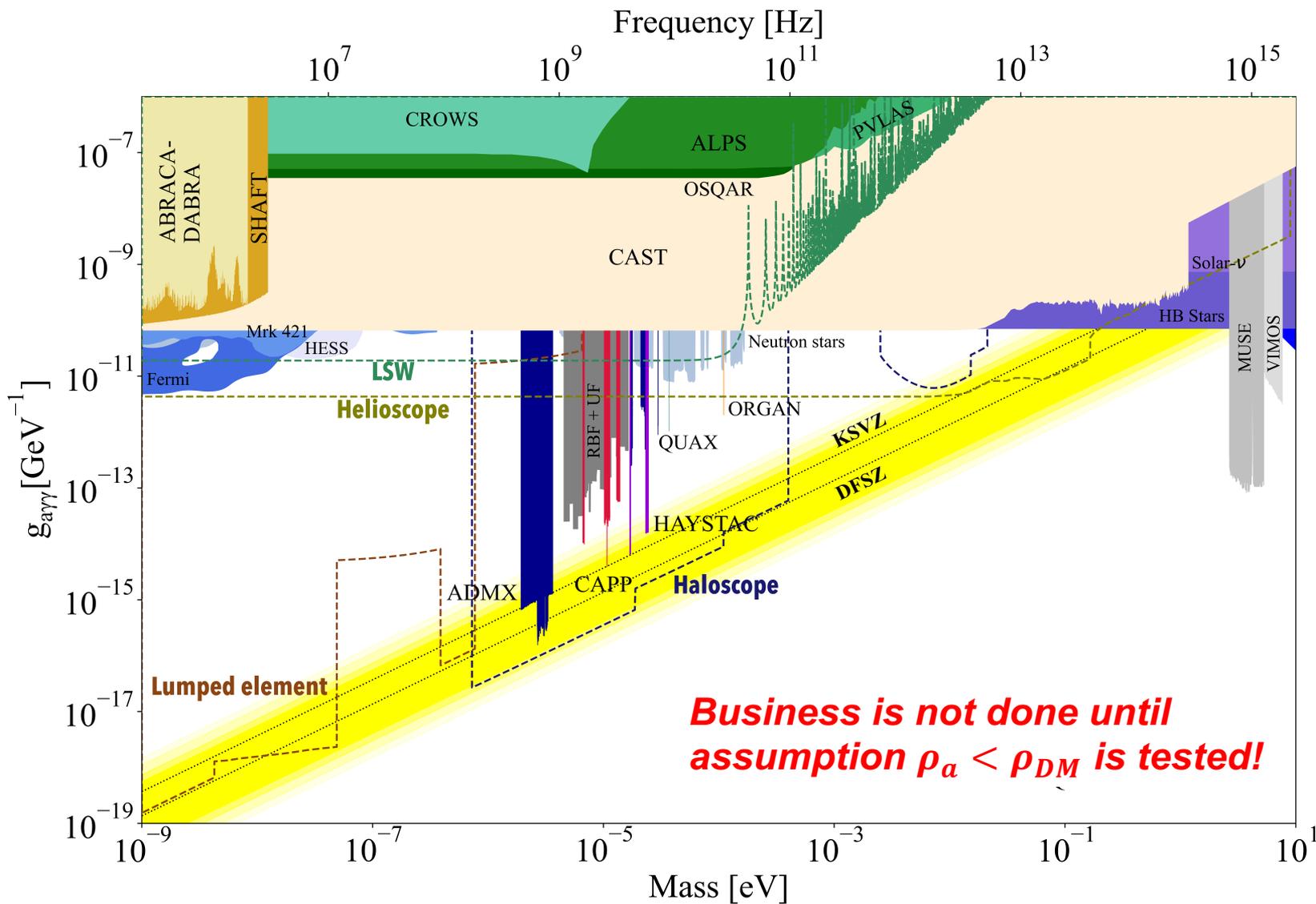


# Axion searches – present





# Axion searches – future





# *Additional CPV*

## *ARIADNE, srEDM*



# Additional CPV



- **QCD axion**

- $\theta_{eff} \equiv \theta_{QCD} - \frac{a}{f_a} = 0$
- $n, pEDM = 0$

- **Additional CPV in nature**

- $\theta_{eff} \neq 0$  (cf. EW CPV)
- $n, pEDM \neq 0$

- **Storage ring proton beam**

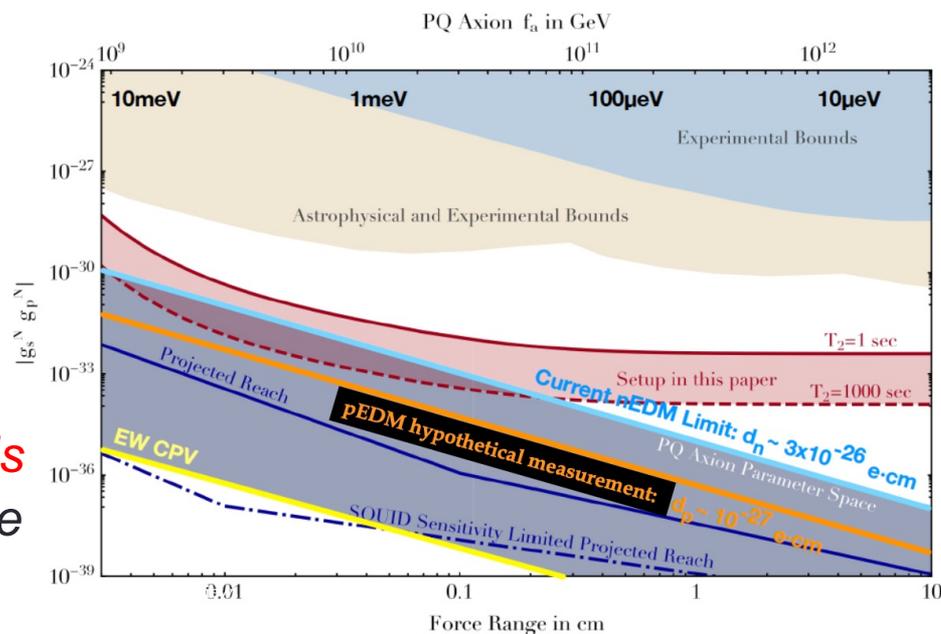
- Direct probe of EDM
- Sensitivity improvement
  - $pEDM \sim 10^{-29} e \cdot cm$

- **ARIADNE** A. Geraci (Tue)

- $\theta_{eff} \neq 0$  produces axion fields
- Can mediate monopole-dipole interactions

- **Negative results from both independent experiments**

- **Decisive exclusion** of existence of axions
- $0.1 \text{ meV} < m_a < 10 \text{ meV}$

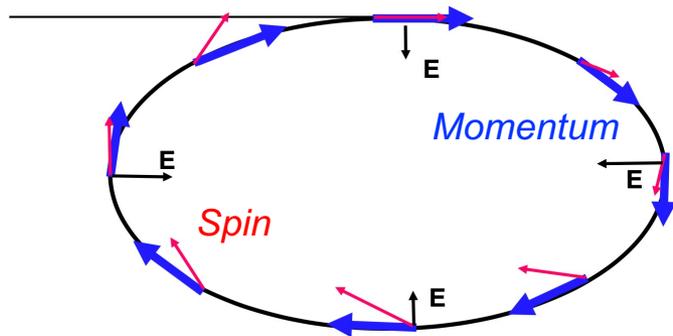




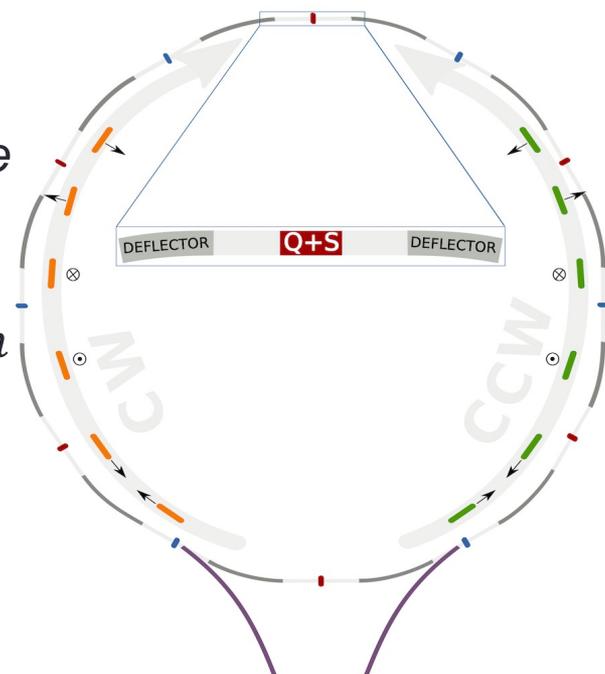
# Storage ring proton EDM



- *Independent approach to  $\theta_{QCD}$* 
  - High intense **polarized proton** beam in a ring with  $E$  bending fields
  - **Magic momentum locks the spin** along the momentum
  - **Non-zero EDM precess the spin** out of plane
- *3 orders of magnitude improvement*
  - $nEDM \sim 10^{-26} e \cdot cm$  vs.  $pEDM \sim 10^{-29} e \cdot cm$



$$\vec{\omega}_a = 0 \quad \frac{d\vec{s}}{dt} = \vec{d} \times \vec{E}$$



New hybrid-symmetric lattice  
simplifies the experiment

[arXiv:2007.10332](https://arxiv.org/abs/2007.10332)



# ARIADNE



- *Axion = new force mediator b/w two fermions*

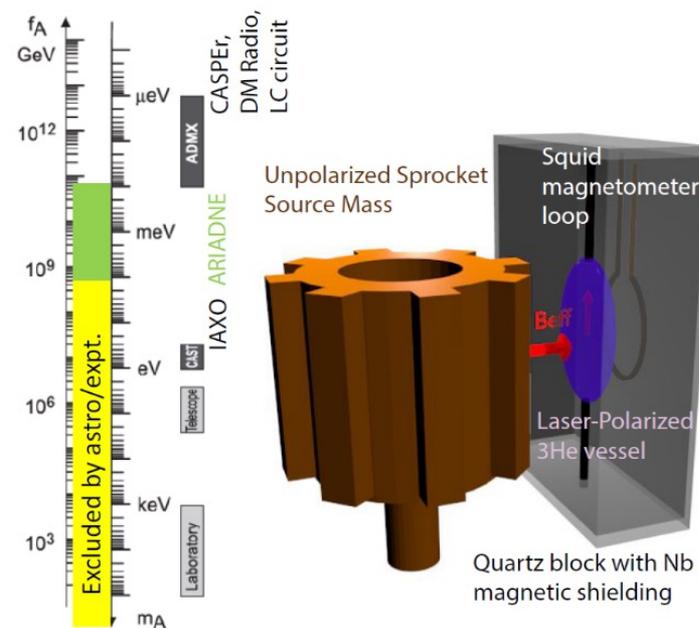
*A. Geraci (Tue)*

- *Monopole-dipole interaction*
  - *b/w unpolarized and polarized fermions*
- *No cosmological assumption*
- *Axion production at the lab*

- *Particular significance*

- *Search for the fifth force*
  - *Covers the missing mass range*
    - $0.1 \text{ meV} < m_a < 10 \text{ meV}$
  - *Additional CPV source BSM*
    - *Combination w/ EDM results*
- => decisive exclusion*

- *Potential reach to experimentally allowed axion parameter space*





# Summary



- *Axion is very charming*
  - *Strong CP problem & dark matter mystery*
- *Theoretically well motivated but experimentally very challenging*
  - *Small coupling and unknown mass*
- *Tremendous search efforts*
  - *Different technologies targeting at different mass ranges*
- *Axion community is getting larger*
  - *New results and new ideas (during the workshop)*
- *Next ten years must be critical/exciting*
  - *Covering a substantial portion of the parameter space*
  - *Addressing the fundamental questions*



