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The Axion

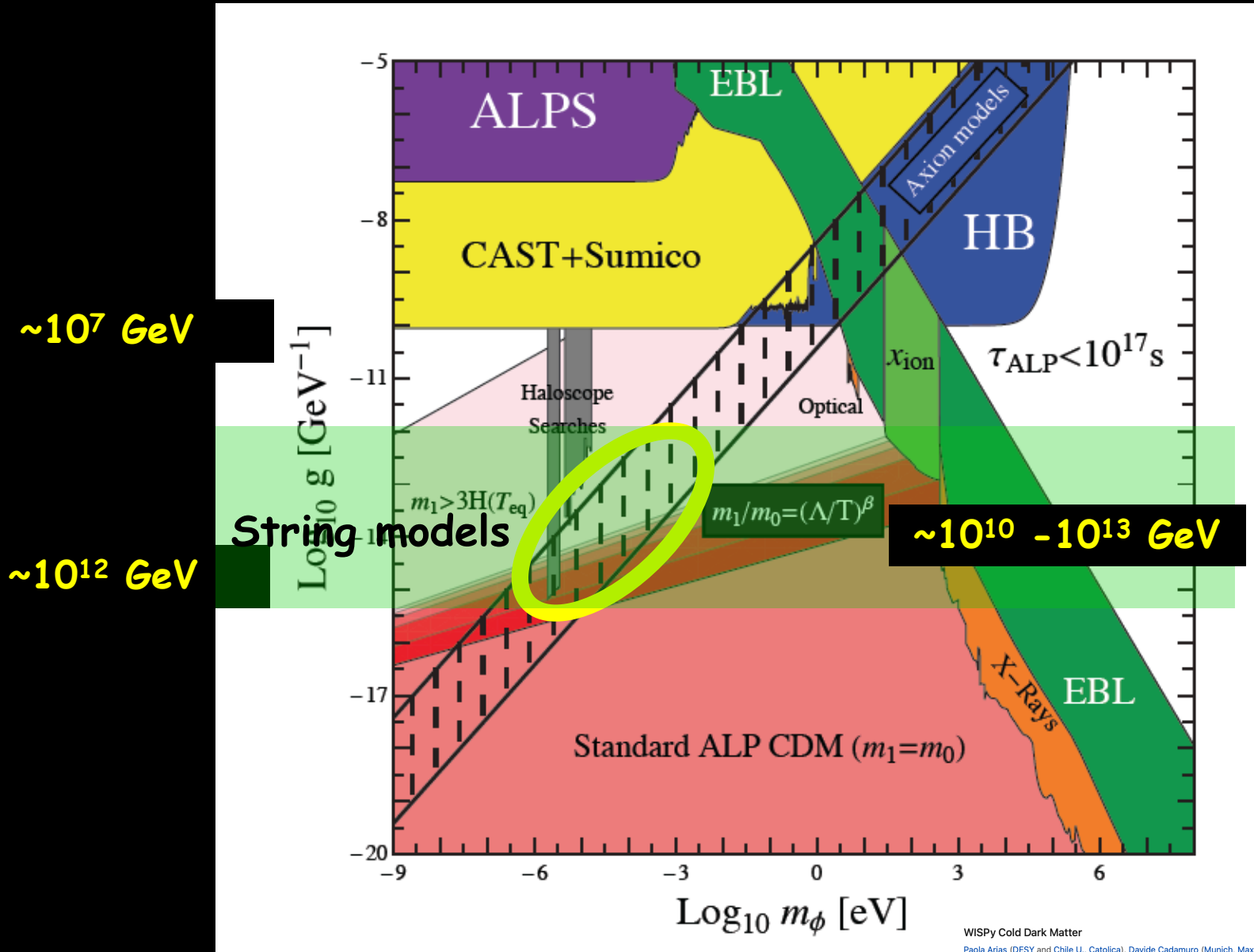
Axions are the Best DM candidate ;-)

- Axions are motivated by SM problem ✓
 - Axions are dark and cold matter ✓
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 - Axion's scale makes sense ✓
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Axion(-like particle) Dark Matter

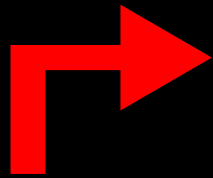


Detecting Axion DM

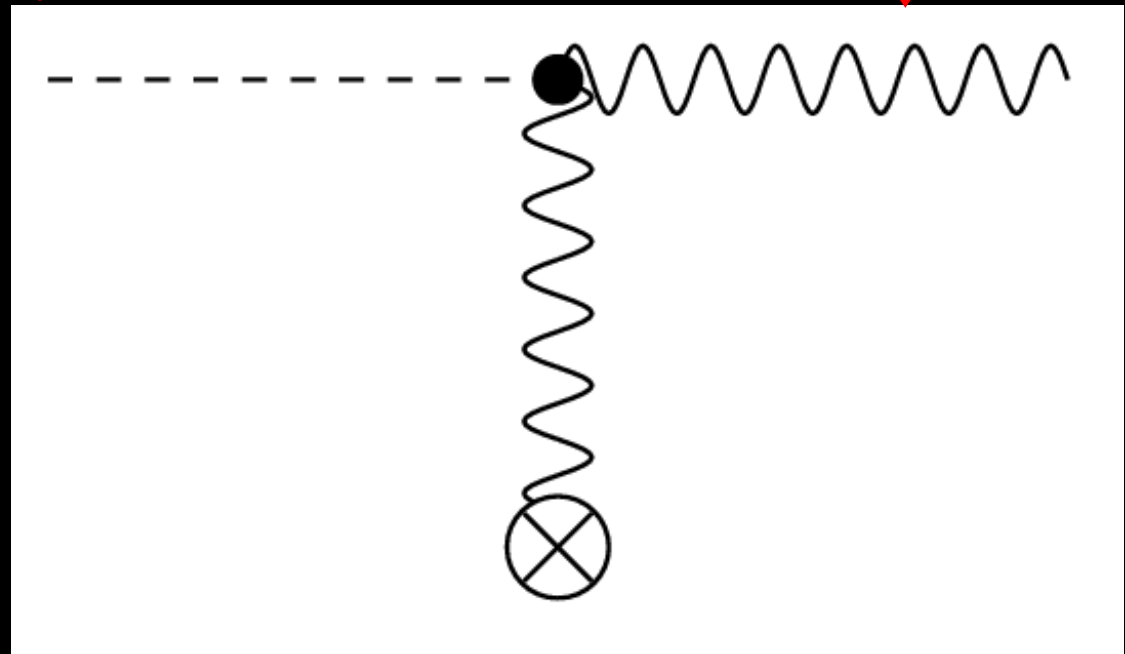
Use a plentiful source of axions

- Photon Regeneration

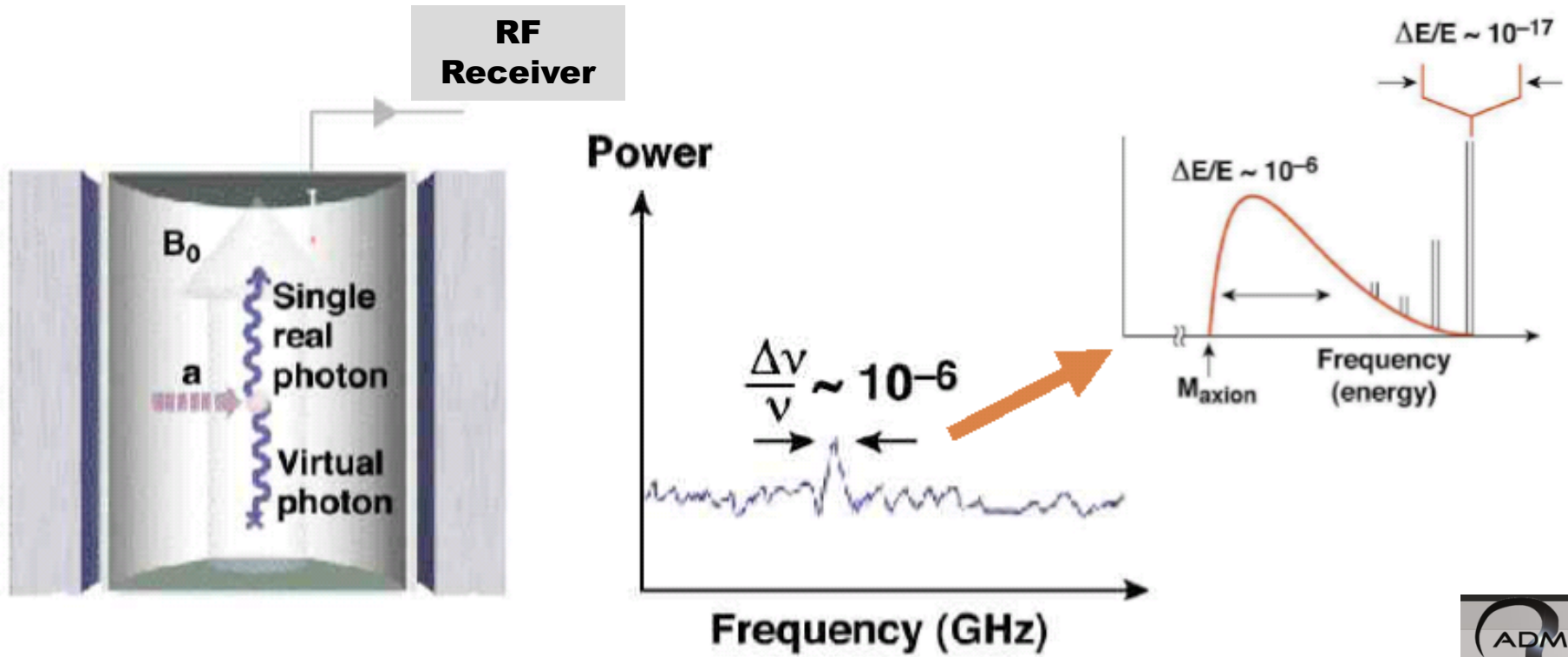
Photon
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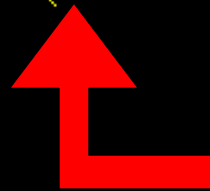
axion
(dark matter)



Signal: Total energy of axion

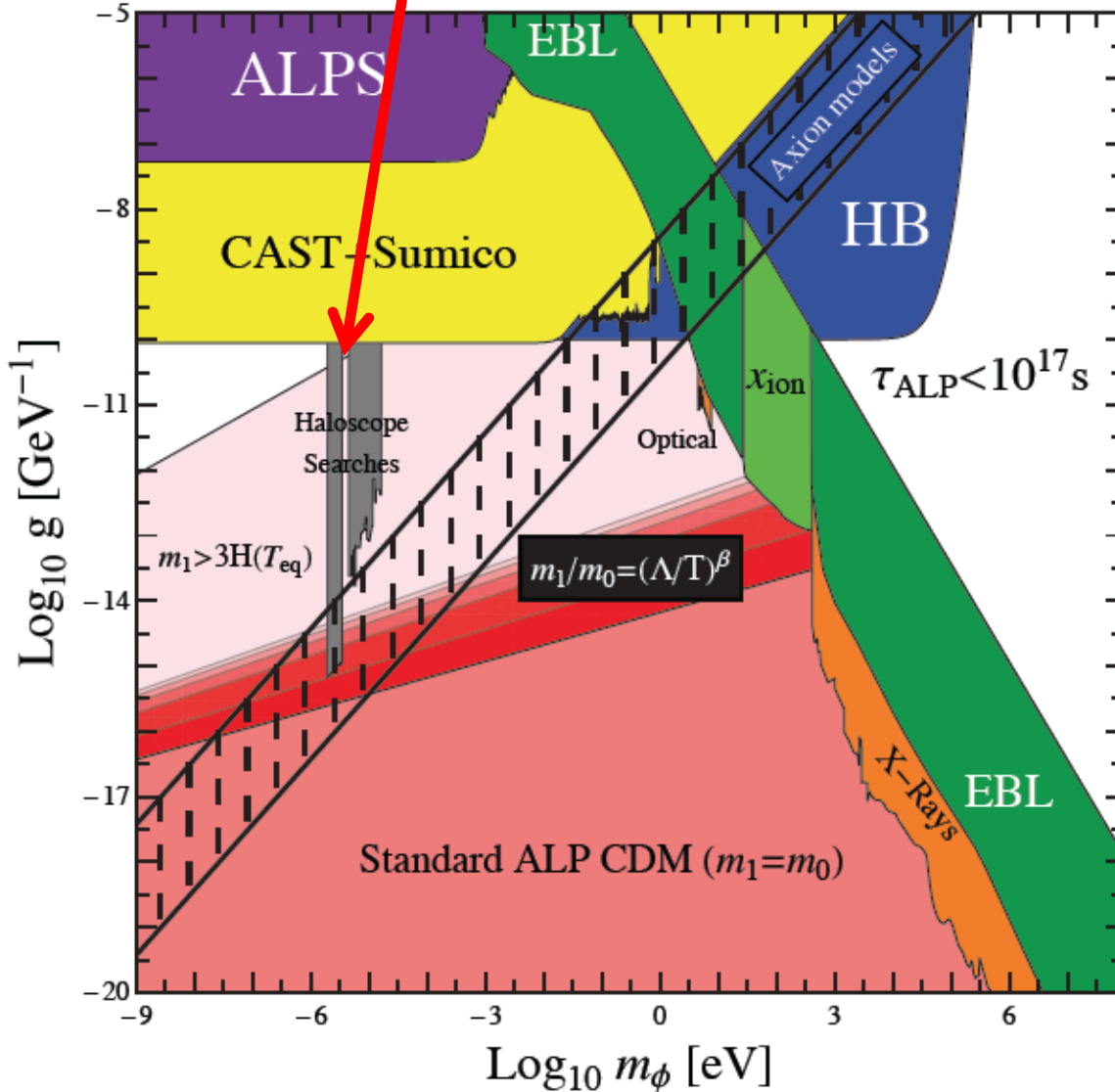


$$h\nu = m_a c^2 [1 + \mathcal{O}(\beta^2 \sim 10^{-6})]$$

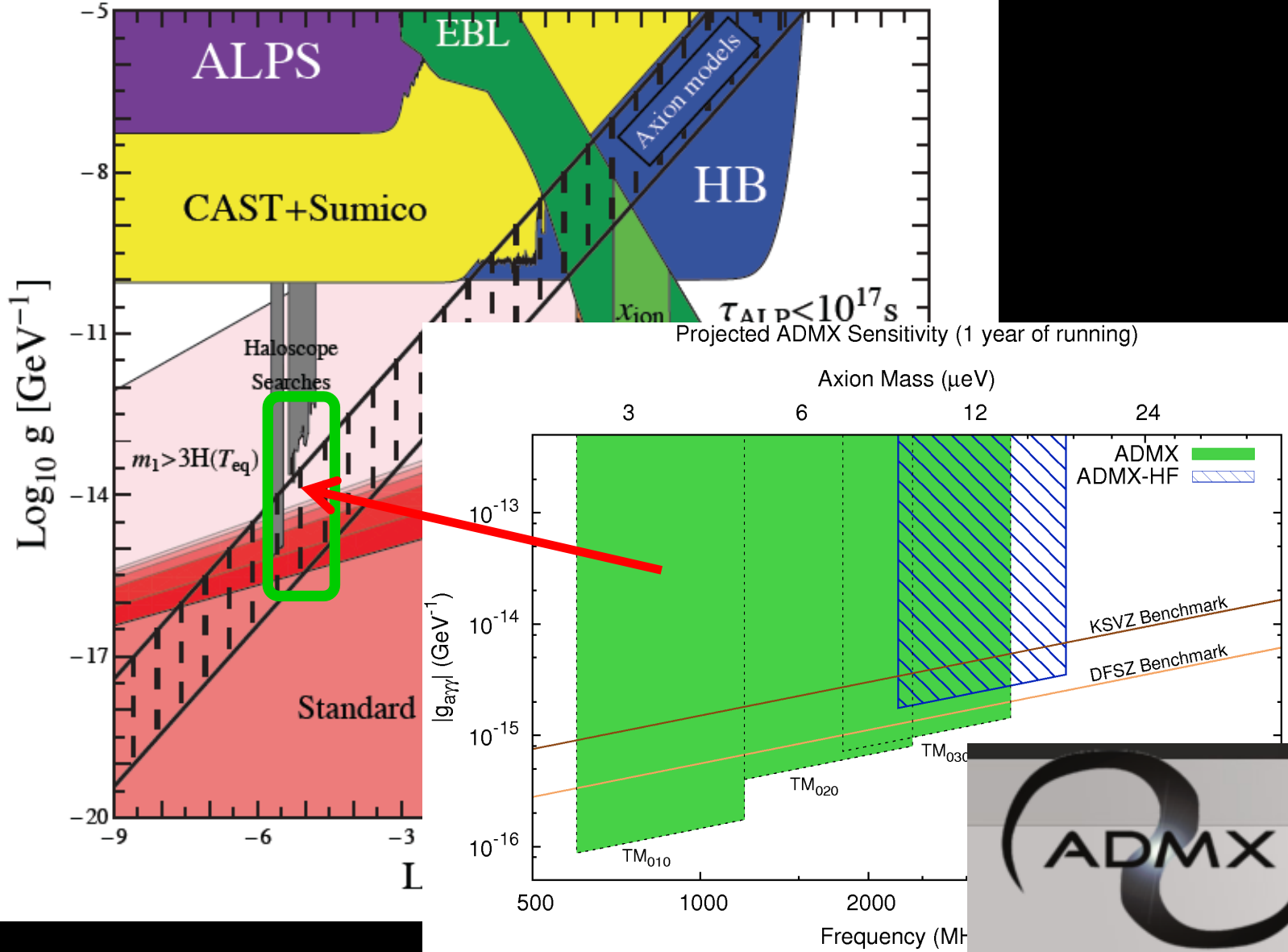


Virial velocity
in galaxy halo!

An extremely sensitive probe!!!



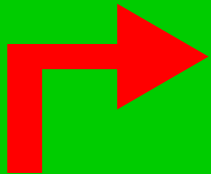
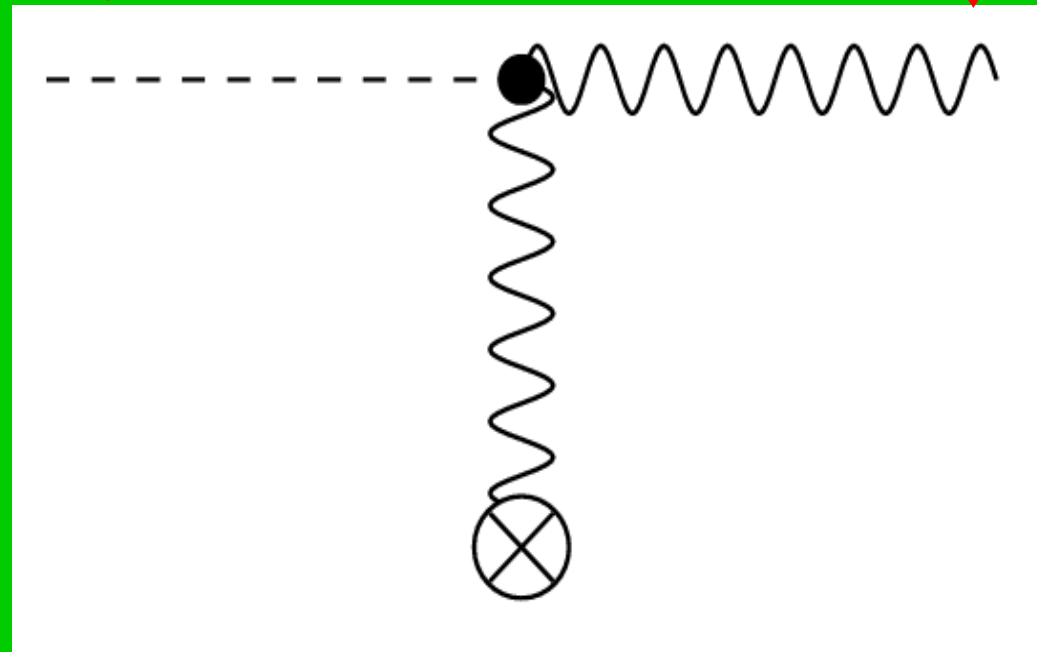
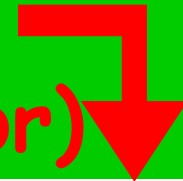
A discovery possible any minute!



Electricity from Dark Matter ;-).

- Photon Regeneration

Photon
(amplified in resonator)



axion

(dark matter)

Really sustainable Energy

- Galaxy contains $(6-30)\times 10^{11}$ solar masses of DM

→ $(3-15)\times 10^{43}$ TWh

@100000 TWh per year (total world today)

→ 10^{38} years ☺

DM power

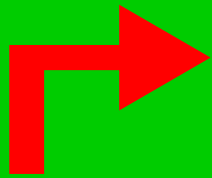
$$\rho * v \sim 300 \text{ MeV/cm}^3 * 300 \text{ km/s} \sim 10 \text{ W/m}^2$$

compared to 2 W/m^2 for wind

Electricity from Dark Matter :-).

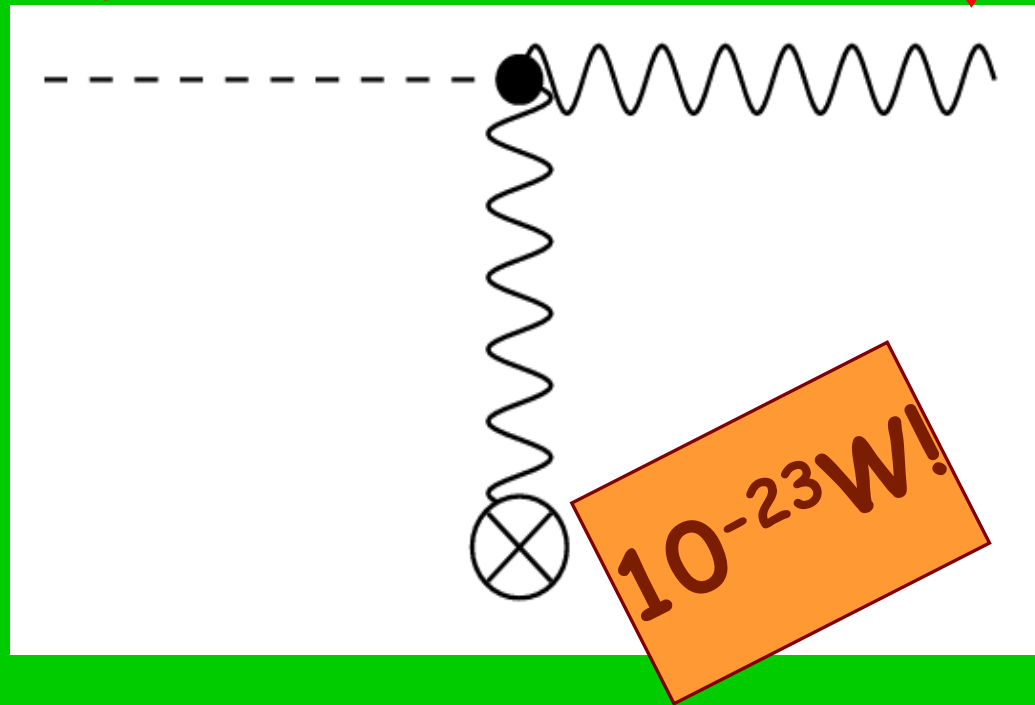
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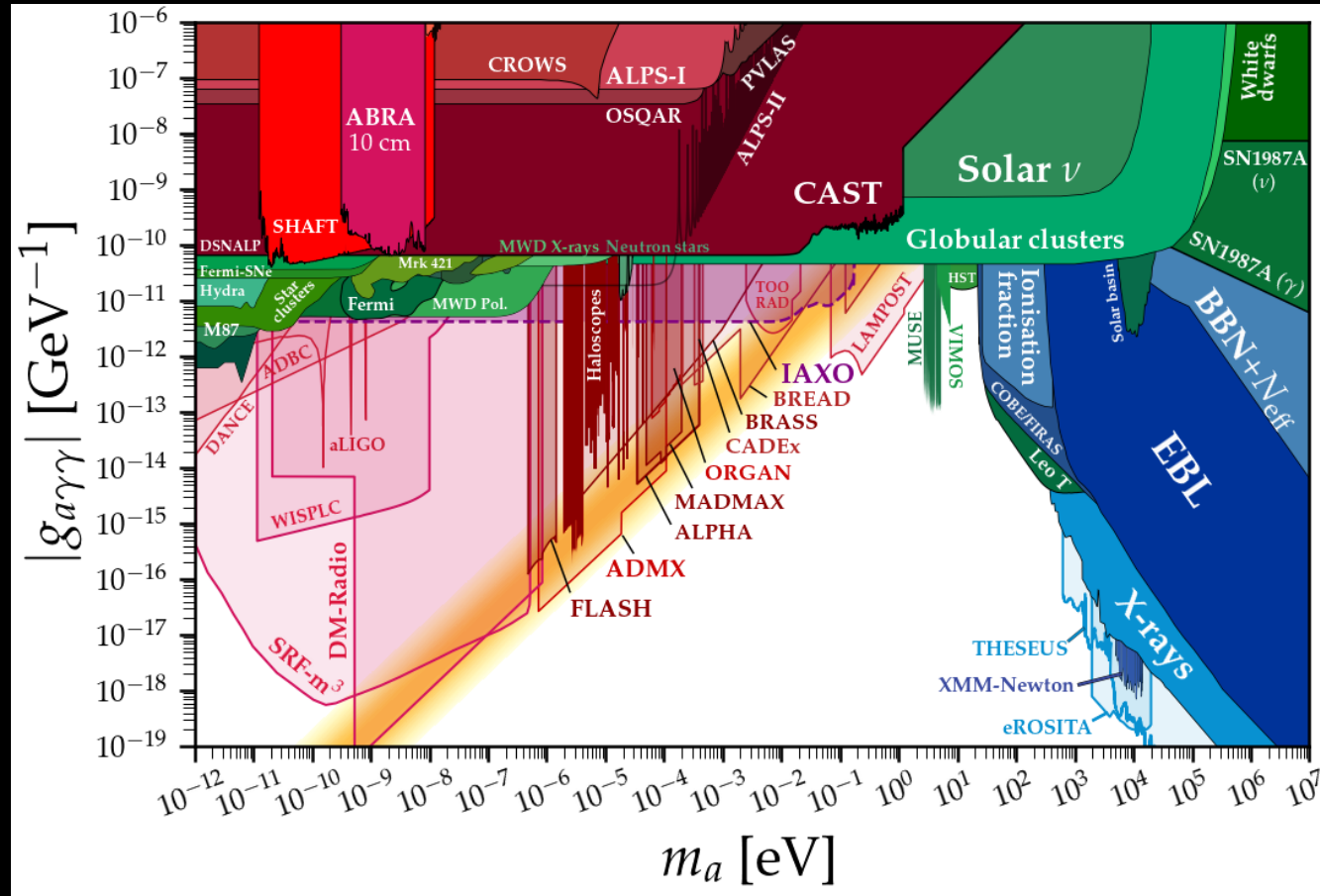
axion

(dark matter)



Many more experiments...

- Abracadabra
- BRASS
- Bread
- Cultask
- DMRadio
- EDM ring
- Haystac
- Lamppost
- Organ
- SRFcavities
- TooRad
- Quax
- ...

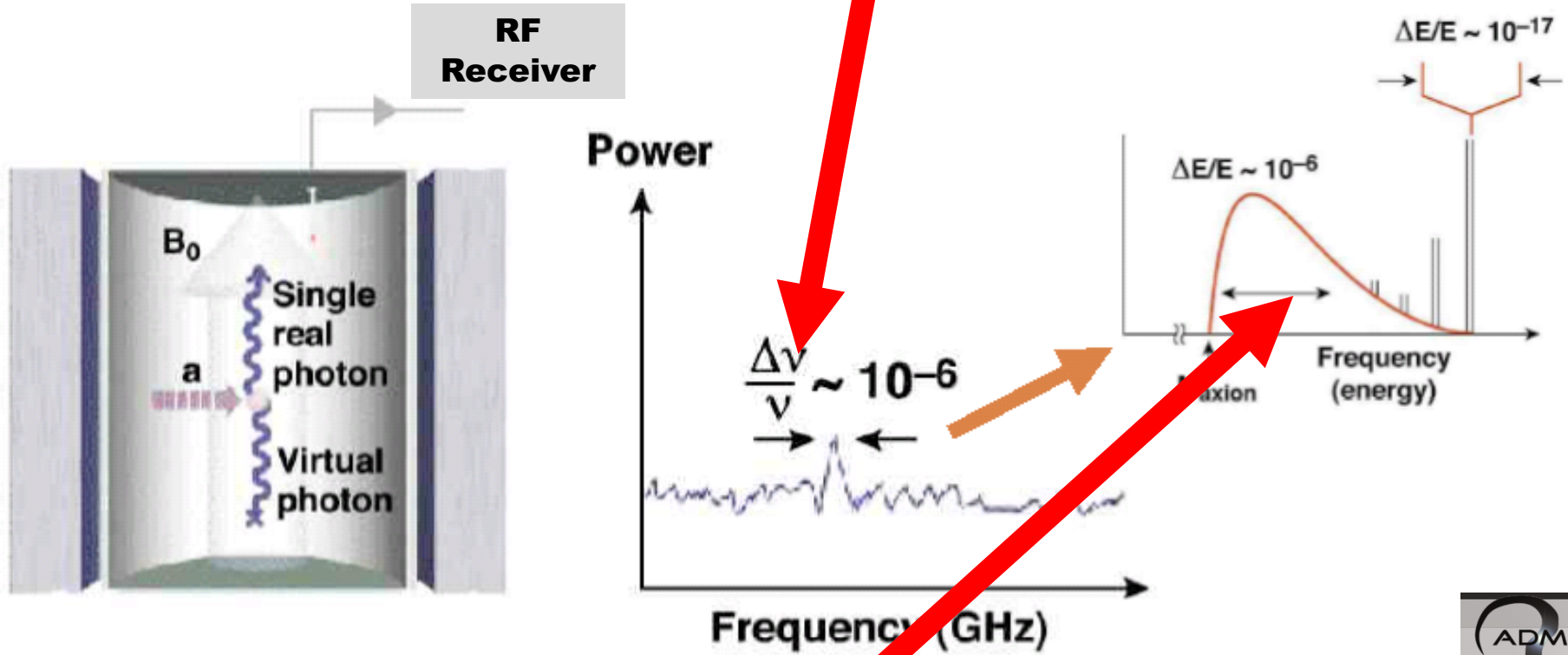


Plot from super-useful website by
Ciaran O'Hare

<https://cajohare.github.io/AxionLimits/>

DM Astrophysics

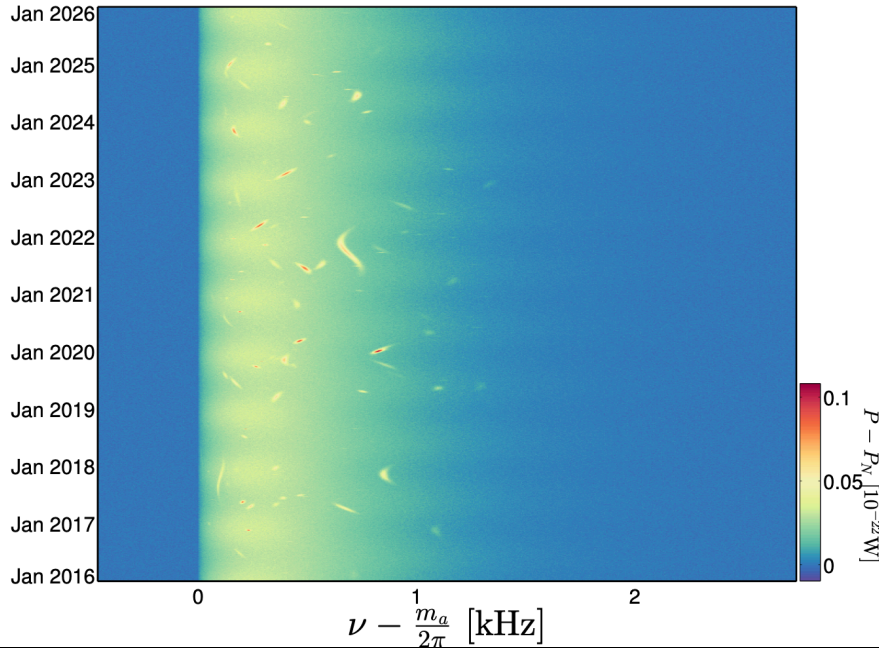
Signal: High resolution possible



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Axion Astronomy...

Streams and local objects...

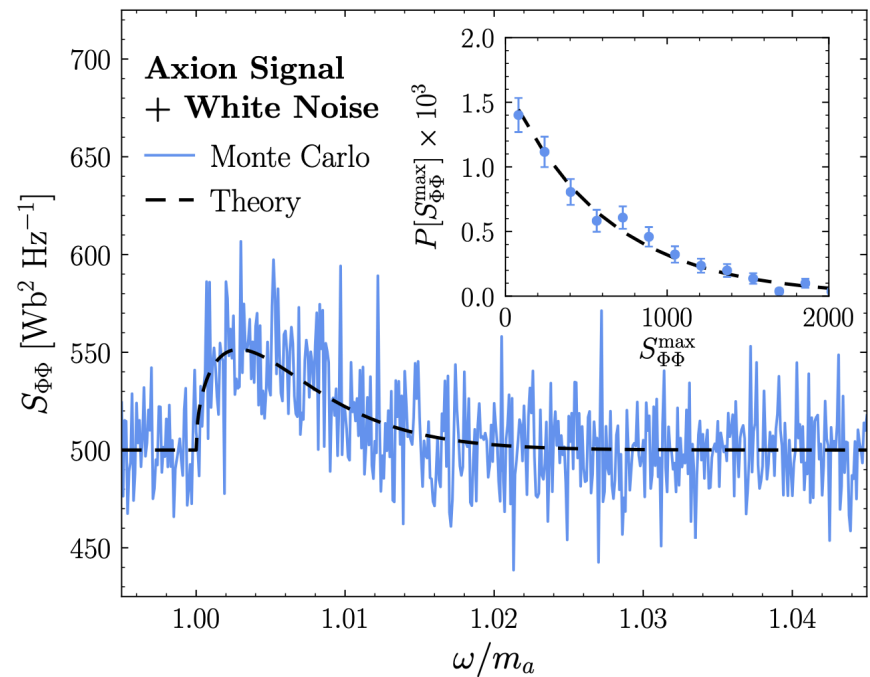


Axion astronomy with microwave cavity experiments

Ciaran A. J. O'Hare (Nottingham U.), Anne M. Green (Nottingham U.) (Jan 11, 2017)

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The Axion DM distribution...



Revealing the Dark Matter Halo with Axion Direct Detection

Joshua W. Foster (Michigan U., MCTP), Nicholas L. Rodd (MIT, Cambridge, CTP), Benjamin R. Safdi (Michigan U., MCTP) (Nov 28, 2017)

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Axion interferometry

- Networks of multiple detectors can give directional sensitivity

Dark Matter Interferometry

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Joshua W. Foster (Michigan U., LCTP and UC, Berkeley and LBL, Berkeley), Yonatan Kahn (Illinois U., Urbana), Rachel Nguyen (Illinois U., Urbana), Nicholas L. Rodd (UC, Berkeley and LBL, Berkeley), Benjamin R. Safdi (Michigan U., LCTP and UC, Berkeley and LBL, Berkeley) (Sep 29, 2020)

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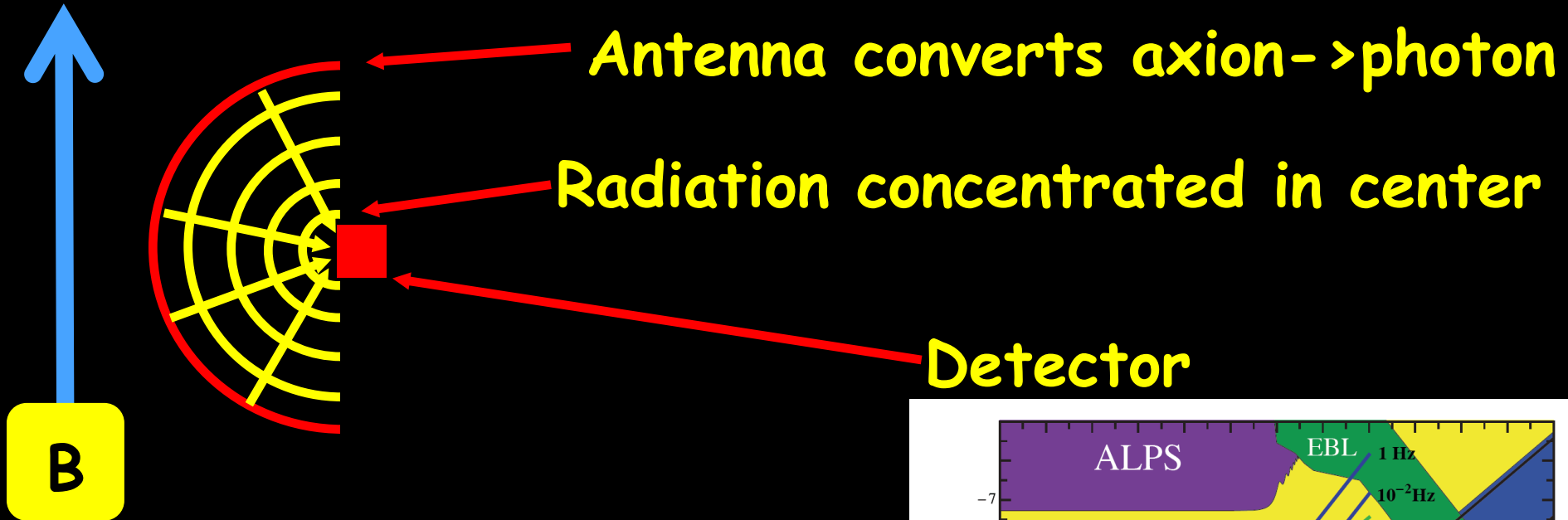
- But even suitably shaped cavities can already give some sensitivity to that

Direct detection of dark matter axions with directional sensitivity

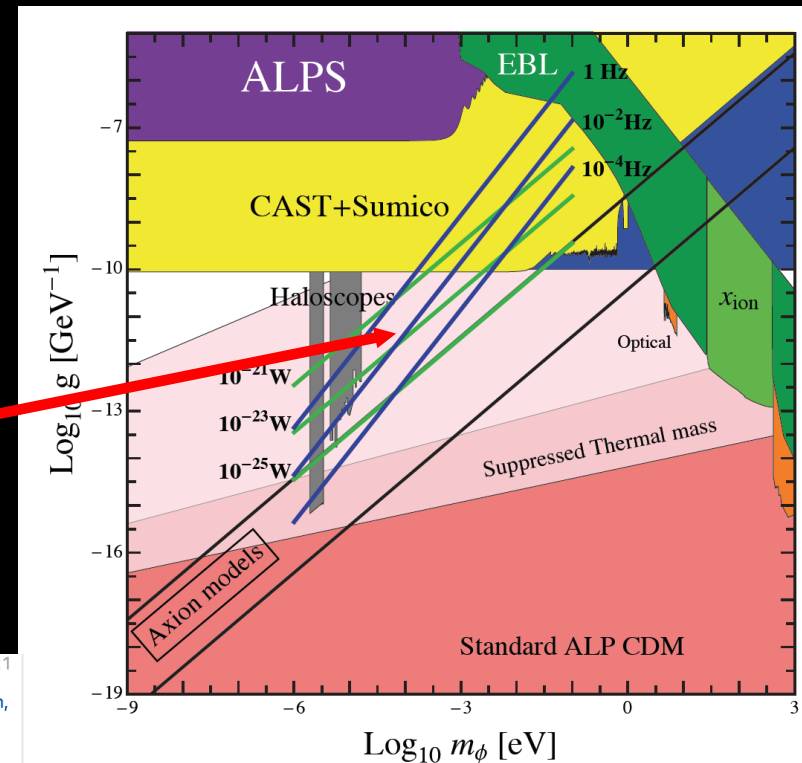
Igor G. Irastorza (Zaragoza U.), Juan A. Garcia (Zaragoza U.) (Jul, 2012)

Published in: *JCAP* 10 (2012) 022 • e-Print: [1207.6129](#) [physics.ins-det]

Dark Matter Antenna



Probes here;
very sensitive!!



Searching for WISPy Cold Dark Matter with a Dish Antenna #21

Dieter Horns (Hamburg U.), Joerg Jaeckel (Durham U., IPPP and Heidelberg U.), Axel Lindner (DESY), Andrei Lobanov (Bonn, Max Planck Inst., Radioastron.), Javier Redondo (Munich U., ASC and Munich, Max Planck Inst.) et al. (Dec, 2012)

Published in: JCAP 04 (2013) 016 · e-Print: 1212.2970 [hep-ph]

The FUNK Experiment

Recycle Auger mirror



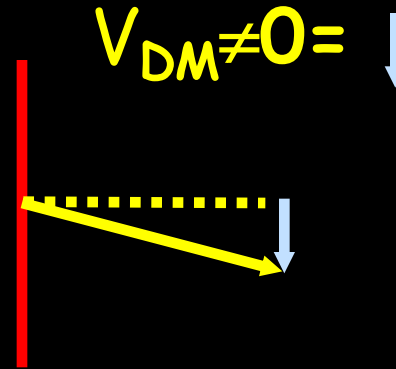
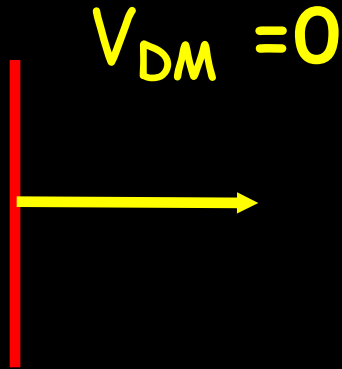
Detector



No magnet:
Only sensitive to hidden photons

Taking a picture of the DM velocity

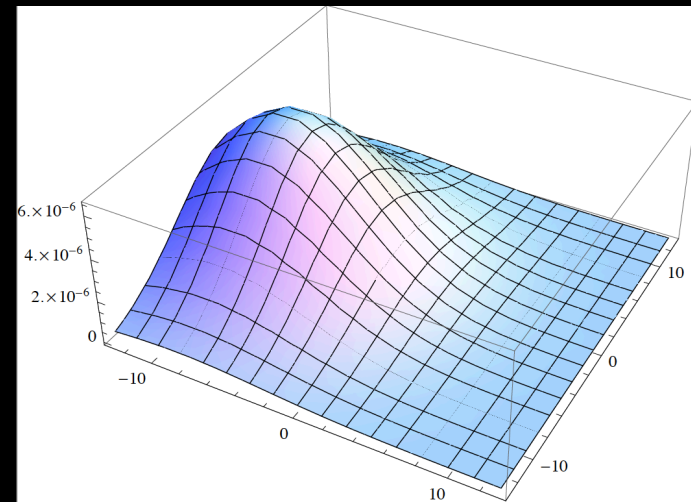
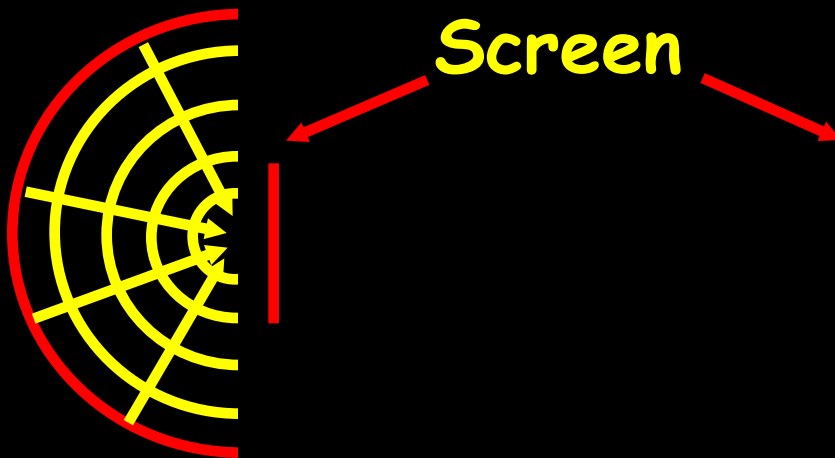
- Emission from moving dark matter



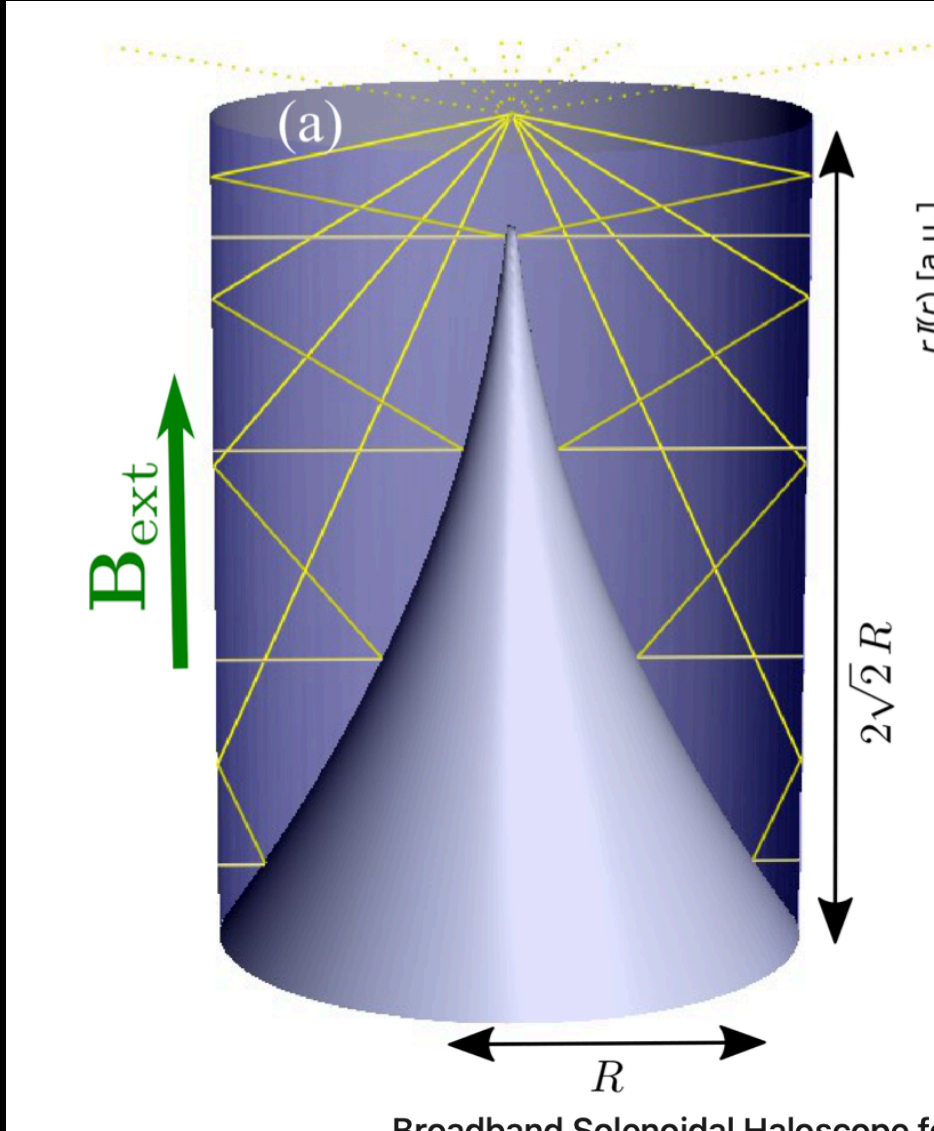
An antenna for directional detection of WISPy dark matter
Joerg Jaeckel (Heidelberg U.), Javier Redondo (Munich U., ASC and Munich, Max Planck Inst.) (Jul 26, 2013)
Published in: JCAP 11 (2013) 016 · e-Print: 1307.7181 [hep-ph]

Directional Resolution of Dish Antenna Experiments to Search for WISPy Dark Matter
Joerg Jaeckel (Heidelberg U.), Stefan Knirck (Heidelberg U.) (Sep 1, 2015)
Published in: JCAP 01 (2016) 005 · e-Print: 1509.00371 [hep-ph]

- A picture of the DM-velocity distribution



Can also use cool geometries: BREAD



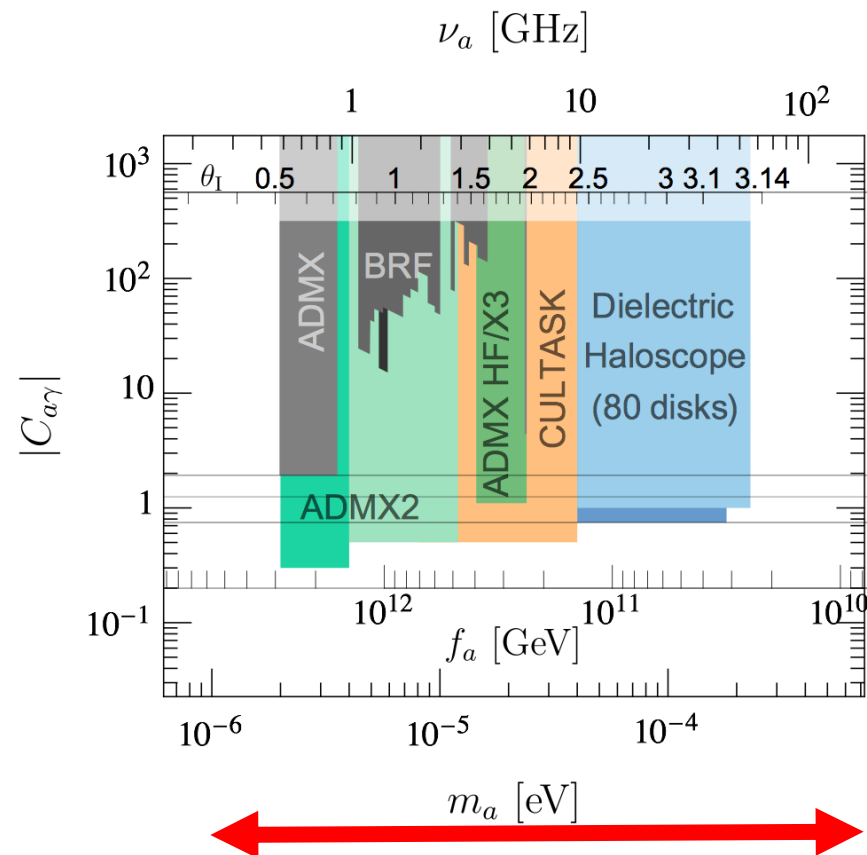
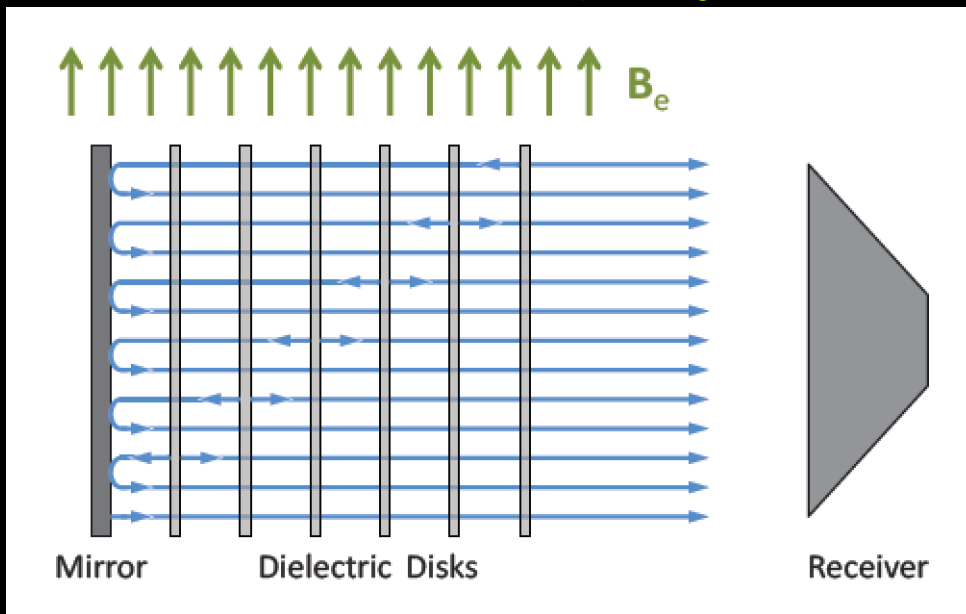
Broadband Solenoidal Haloscope for Terahertz Axion Detection

BREAD Collaboration • Jesse Liu (Cambridge U. and Chicago U.) et al. (Nov 23, 2021)

Published in: *Phys.Rev.Lett.* 128 (2022) 13, 131801 • e-Print: [2111.12103](https://arxiv.org/abs/2111.12103) [physics.ins-det]

Going Mad(Max)

Ambitious new project at MPP



Dielectric Haloscopes: A New Way to Detect Axion Dark Matter

The MADMAX Working Group: Allen Caldwell, Gia Dvali, Bela Majorovits, Alexander Millar, Georg Raffelt, Javier Redondo, Olaf Reimann, Frank Simon, Frank Steffen

Directional axion detection

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Stefan Knirck (Munich, Max Planck Inst.), Alexander J. Millar (Munich, Max Planck Inst.), Ciaran A.J. O'Hare (U. Zaragoza (main)), Javier Redondo (Munich, Max Planck Inst. and Zaragoza U.), Frank D. Steffen (Munich, Max Planck Inst.) (Jun 15, 2018)

Published in: JCAP 11 (2018) 051 • e-Print: [1806.05927](https://arxiv.org/abs/1806.05927) [astro-ph.CO]

Also with
other couplings?

Proposal for a Cosmic Axion Spin Precession Experiment (CASPER)

[Dmitry Budker](#) (UC, Berkeley and LBNL, NSD), [Peter W. Graham](#) (Stanford U., ITP), [Micah Ledbetter](#) (Unlisted, US, CA), [Surjeet Rajendran](#) (Stanford U., ITP), [Alex Sushkov](#) (Harvard U., Phys. Dept.) (Jun 25, 2013)

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New Observables for Direct Detection of Axion Dark Matter

[Peter W. Graham](#) (Stanford U., ITP), [Surjeet Rajendran](#) (Stanford U., ITP) (Jun 25, 2013)

Published in: *Phys.Rev.D* 88 (2013) 035023 · e-Print: [1306.6088](#) [hep-ph]

Looking for oscillating dipoles

- Remember:

Axion field controls electric dipole moment:

$$d_e \sim \theta \sim \frac{a}{f_a}$$

- Dipole moments follow the oscillating axion field
→ Tiny oscillating electric dipole

$$d_e \sim 10^{-35} e \text{ cm} \cos(m_a t)$$

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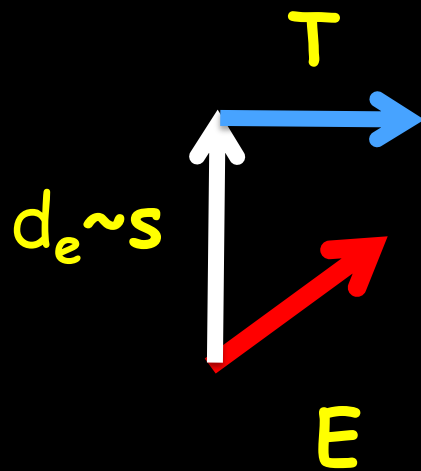
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In an electric field



Energy in an electric field

$$H = -\mathbf{d} \cdot \mathbf{E} = -c_{ES} \cdot \mathbf{E}.$$

Torque tries to tilt dipole moment/spin

$$\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{d} \times \mathbf{E} = c_{ES} \times \mathbf{E}.$$

Dealing with oscillation

Problem: the dipole moment is rapidly oscillating $\sim m_a$

→ Danger of cancellation

Solution: Rotate spin to compensate

→ Use Spin Precession in magnetic field

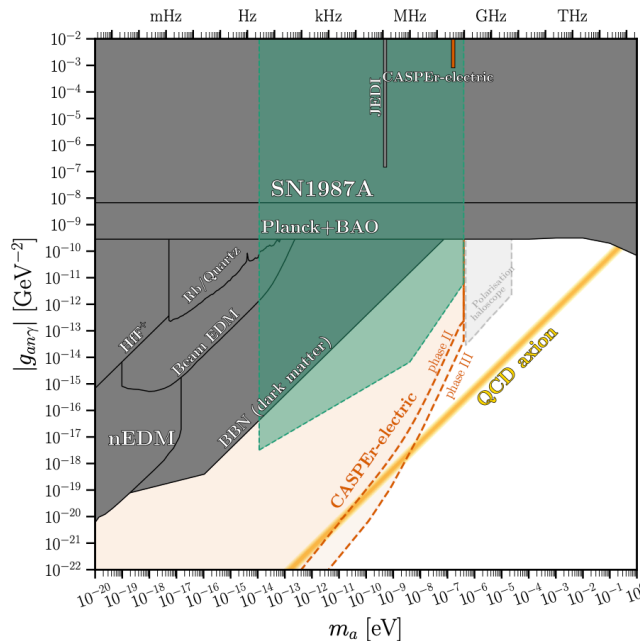
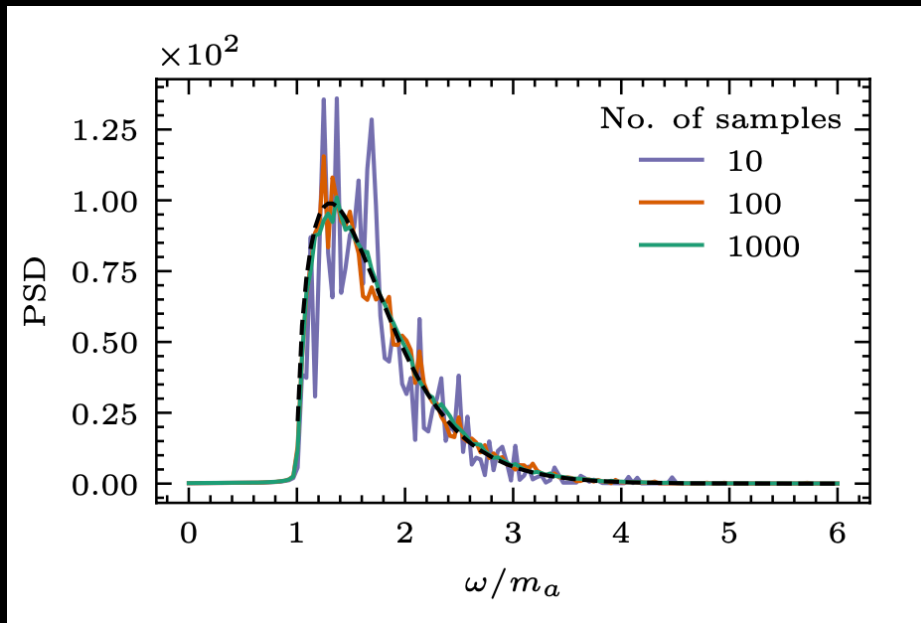
$$\omega_L = 2\mu B$$



Resonance when $\omega_L = m_a$

Measure velocity² distribution?

- Yes



Establishing
Axions

as "The Dark Matter"

Part I

If we are lucky...

A signal does not yet establish DM

- Once we have a signal...

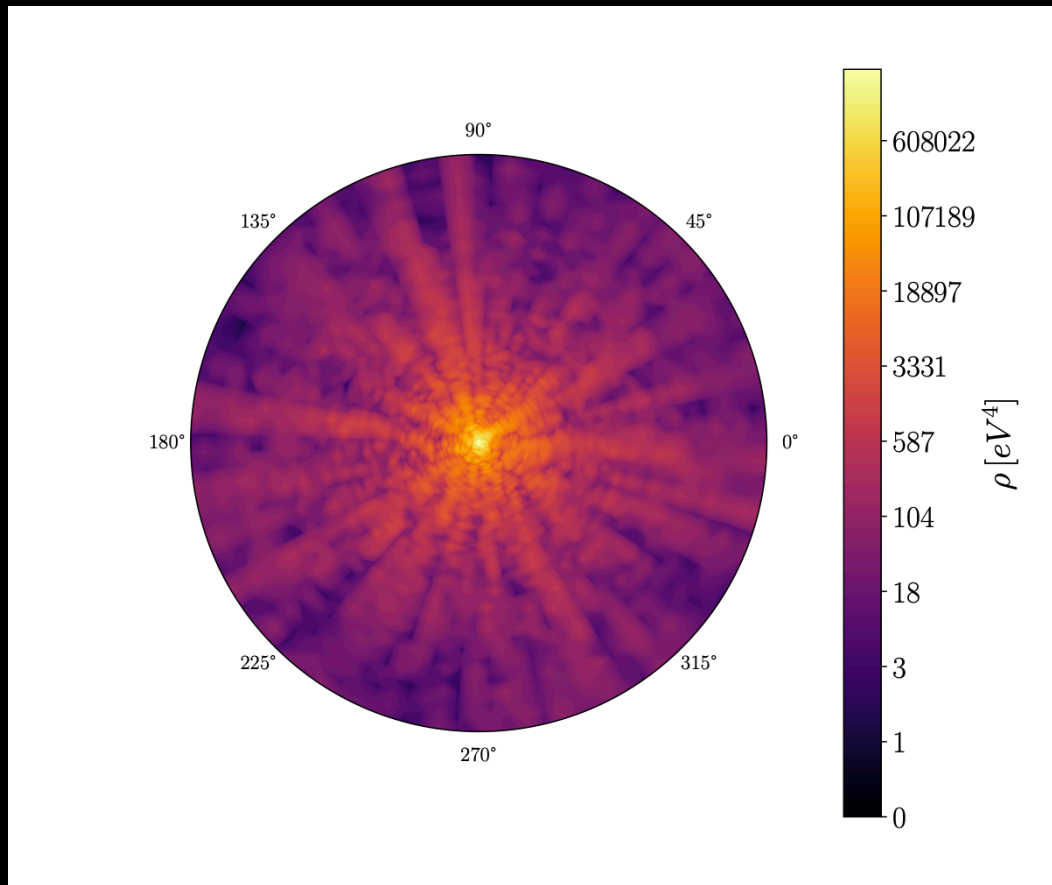
$$P_{\text{signal}} \sim g^2 \rho$$

- g and ρ not independently measured
- We could have detected a sub-dominant DM

$$\rho \ll \rho_{DM}$$

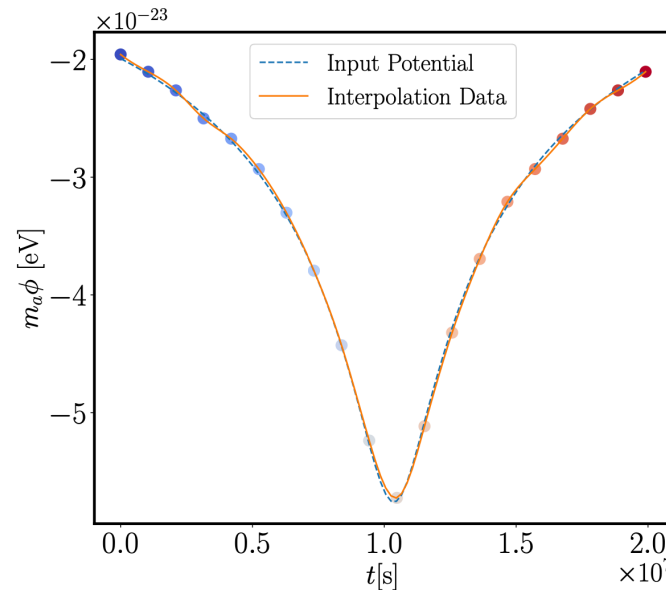
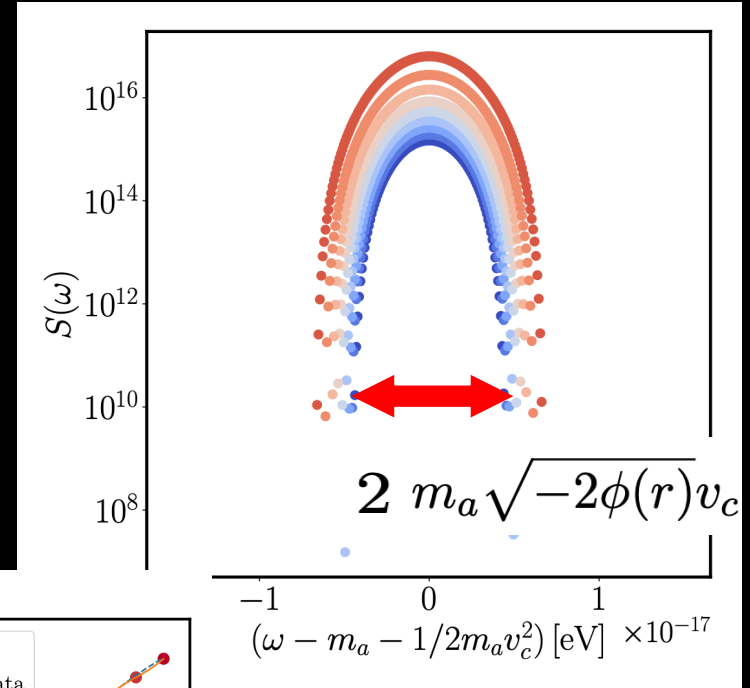
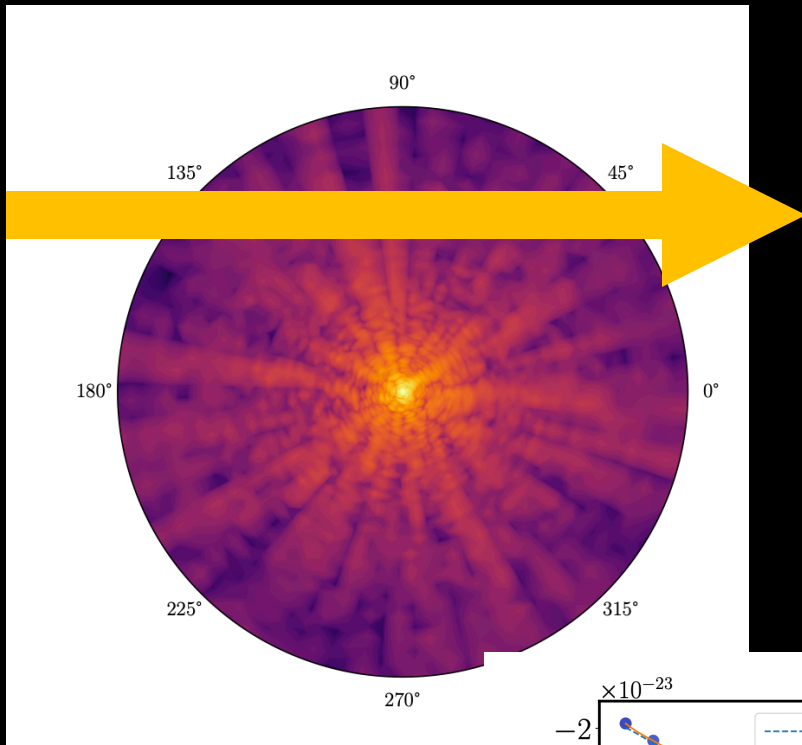
→ Can we disentangle?

Let's find an Axion Mini-cluster



...and fly through it

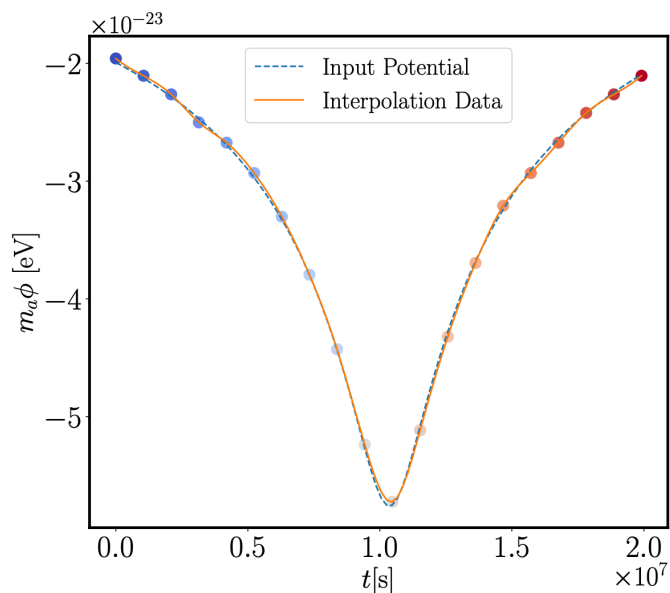
Power spectrum along the path



Reconstruct minicluster density...

- Poisson equation (along path)

$$\frac{\ddot{\phi}(t)}{\dot{r}(t)^2} + \frac{2\dot{\phi}(t)}{\dot{r}(t)r(t)} - \frac{r(t)\ddot{r}(t)\dot{\phi}(t)}{\dot{r}(t)^3} = 4\pi G\rho(t)$$

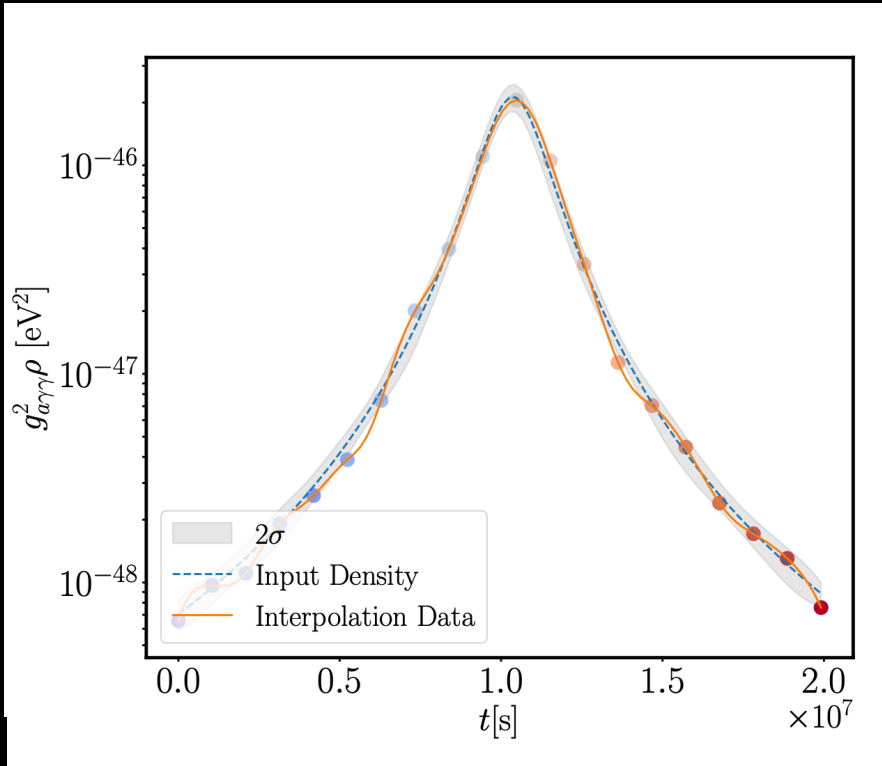


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Determined

Measure coupling...

- Power along the path



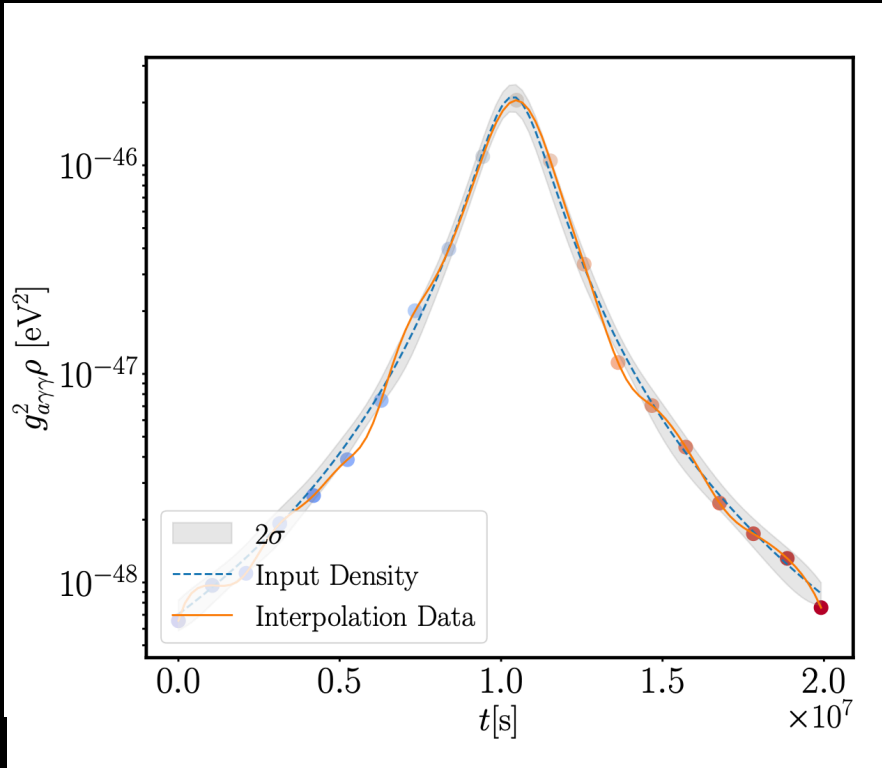
$$P_{\text{signal}} \sim g^2 \rho$$

Already known

→ Obtain g

Measure coupling...

- Power along the path



$$P_{\text{signal}} \sim g^2 \rho$$

Already known

→ Obtain g

+ Measure

$$P_{\text{signal}} \sim g^2 \rho_{\text{outside}}$$

outside minicluster

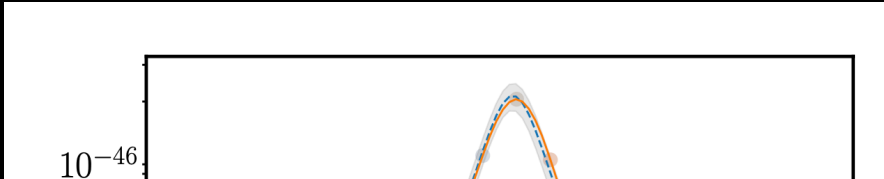


$$\rho_{\text{outside}} \sim \rho_{\text{local}}^{\text{expected}}$$

?

Measure coupling...

- Power along the path



$$P_{\text{signal}} \sim g^2 \rho$$

BUT:

Need to be lucky $\sim 10^{-3}$ /year
(and cluster not too destroyed)

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$$\rho_{\text{outside}} \sim \rho_{\text{local}}^{\text{expected}}$$

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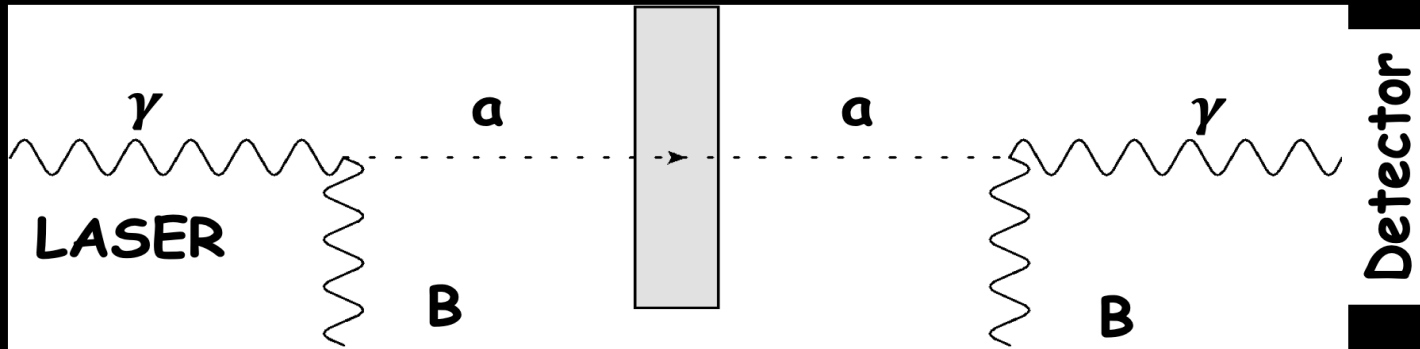
Part II

If we are dedicated...

We build HyperLSW ☺

- What is an LSW experiment?

Light shining through walls

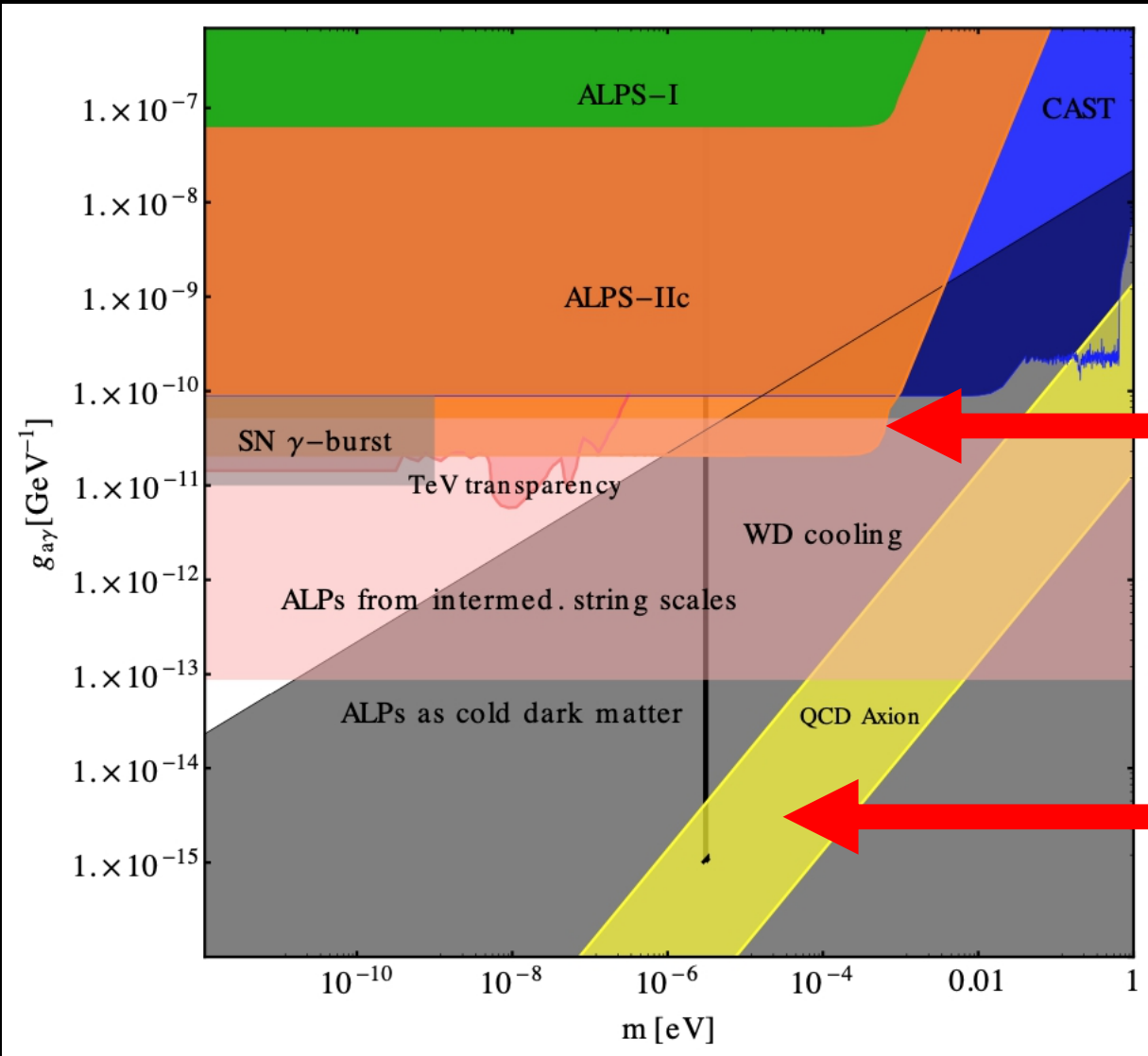


- Probability to see the light

$$p_{\gamma \leftrightarrow a}^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{\omega^2 - m_a^2} \left(\frac{g_{a\gamma} B L}{2} \right)^4 |F|^4,$$

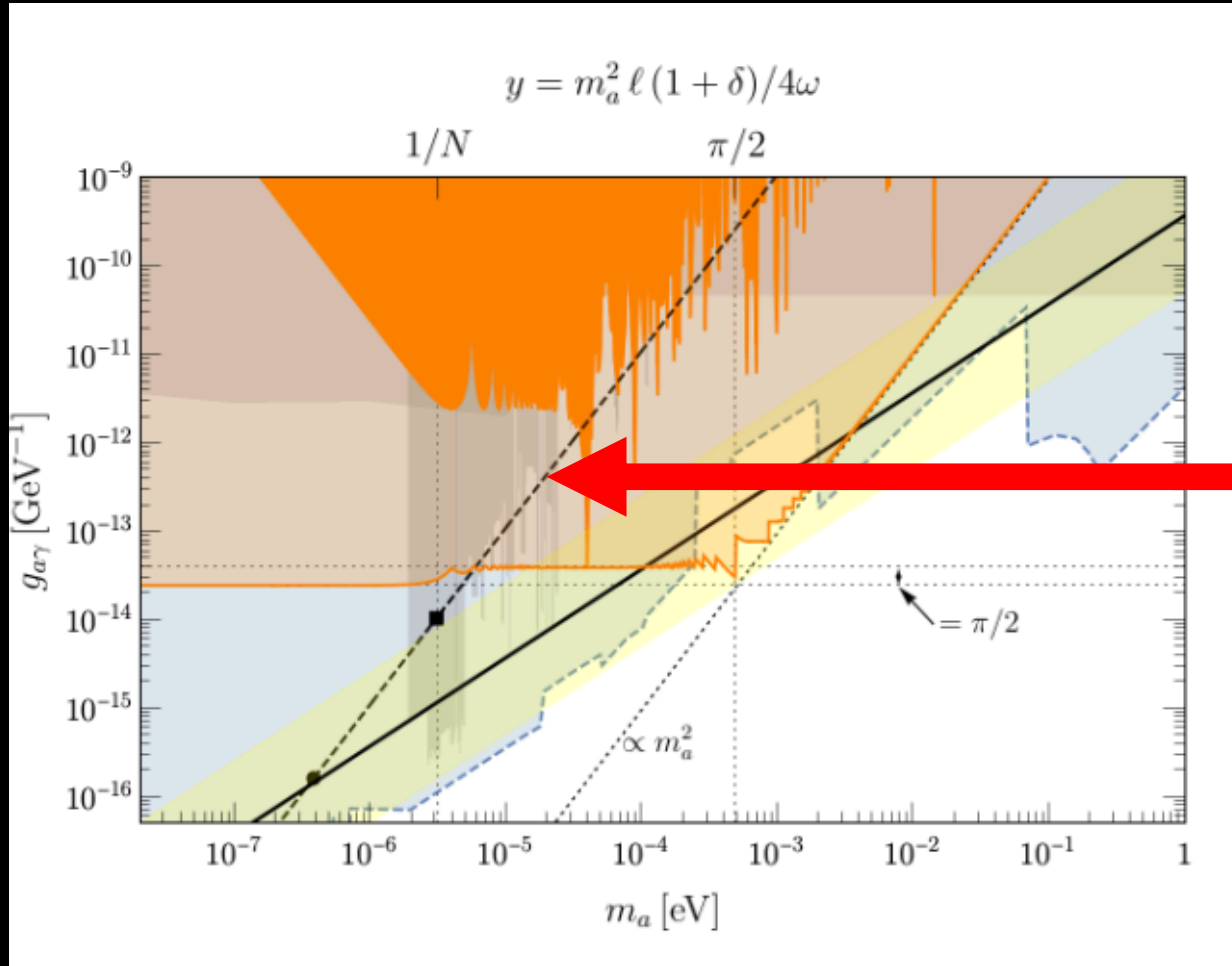
Purely laboratory based \rightarrow determine g

Not so easy... ALPS II



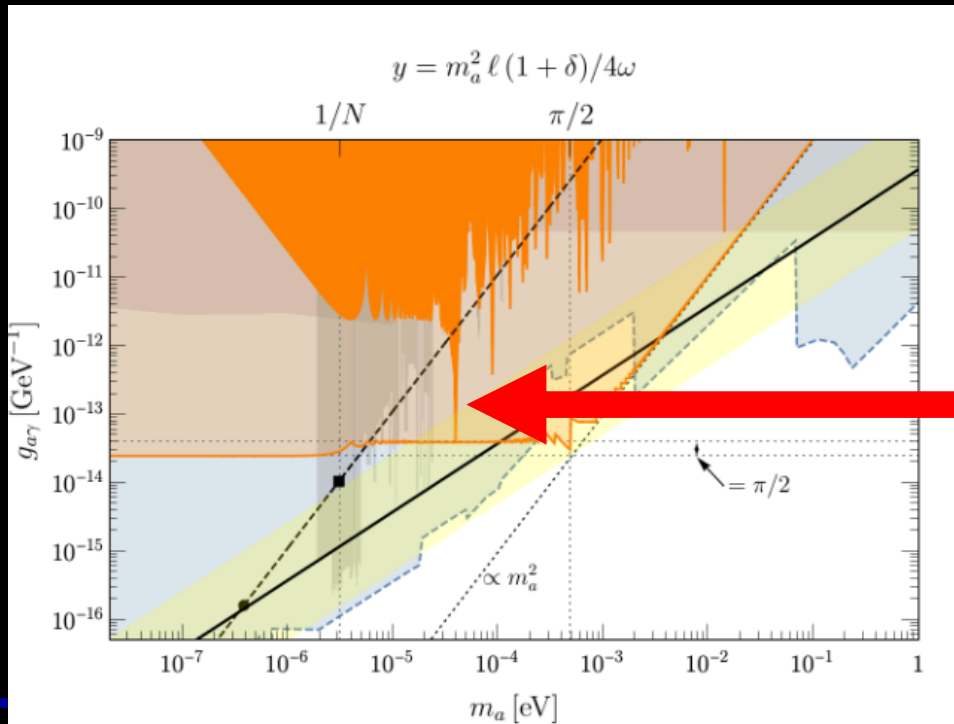
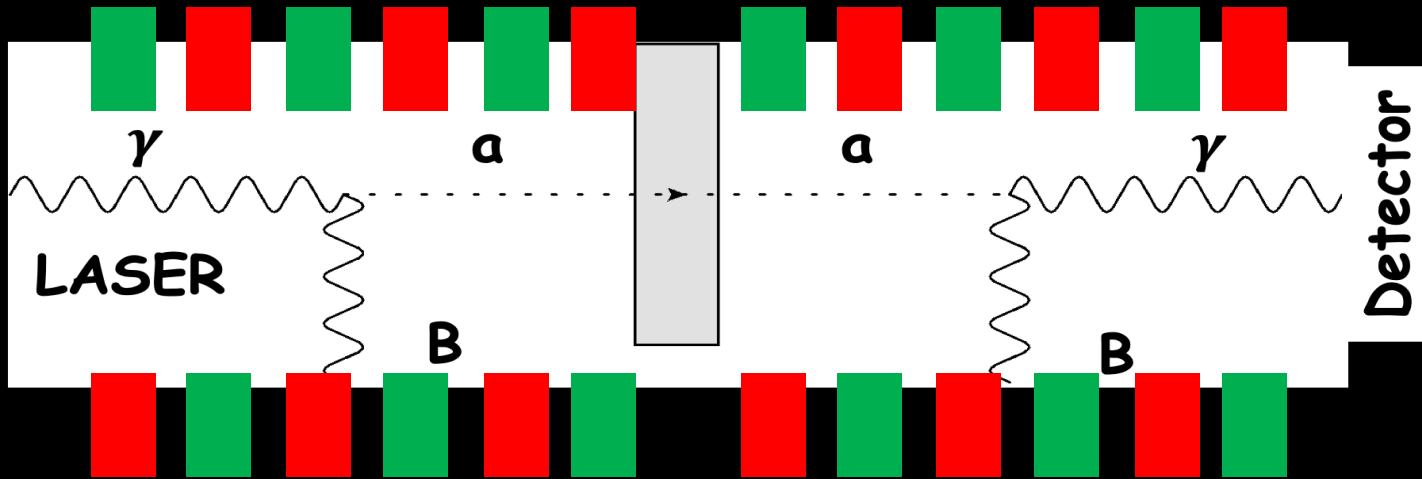
Does not
quite reach
axion masses

A few orders
in sensitivity
to go



**Making magnets
longer is not
sufficient**

Optimize magnet configuration



Alternating
magnets

Proposed experiment to produce and detect light pseudoscalars

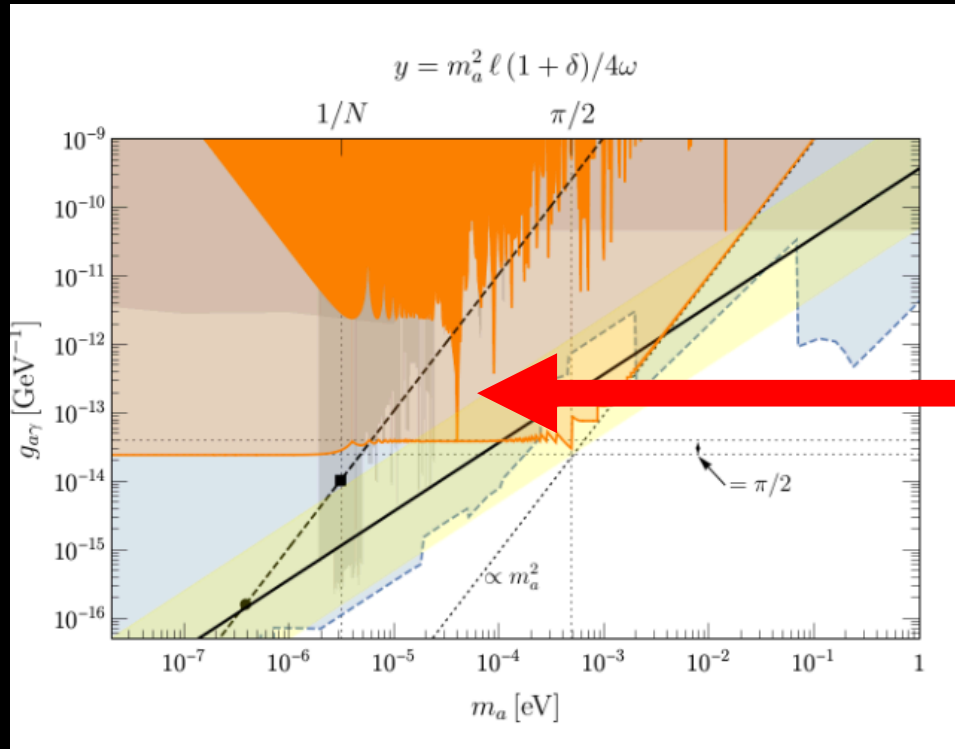
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Published in: *Phys.Rev.Lett.* 59 (1987) 759-762

Optimizing Light-Shining-through-a-Wall Experiments for Axion and other WISP Searches

Paola Arias (DESY), Joerg Jaeckel (Durham U., IPPP), Javier Redondo (Munich, Max Planck Inst.), Andreas Ringwald (DESY) (Sep, 2010)

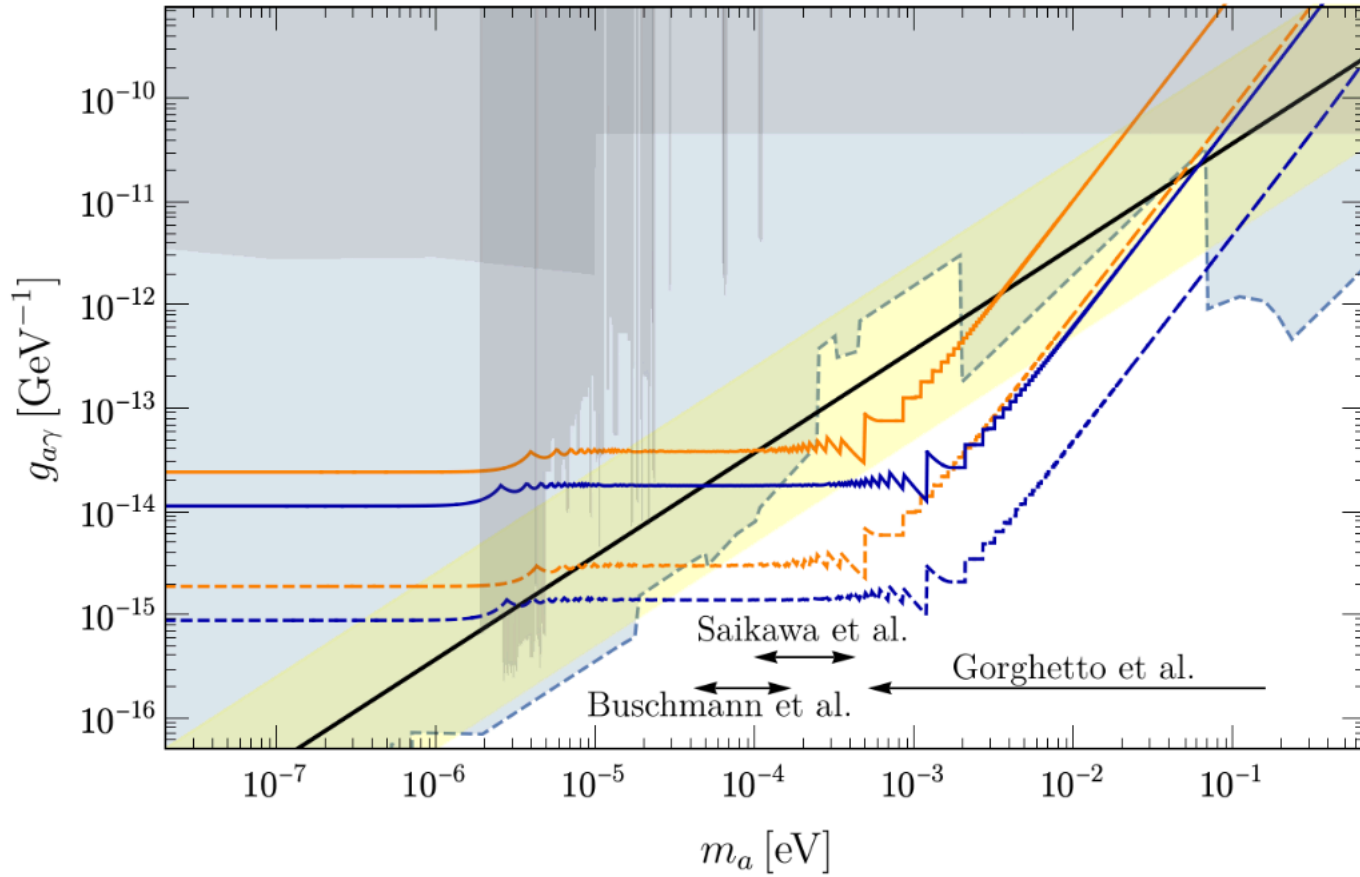
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Very narrow?

→ Not a problem. DM discovery tells us mass with better than 10^{-10} accuracy

Discovery region



Price tag...

Setup	B [T]	a [m]	ℓ [m]	Δ_{\min} [m]	$P\lambda$ [W]	β_g	β_r	λ [nm]	ε_{eff}	τ [h]	b [s $^{-1}$]	$2z_{\text{opt}}$ [km]	$\mathcal{S}_{\text{crit}}$
S1	10	1.3	4.0	2.0	3	10^5	10^5	1064	0.95	100	10^{-4}	2×94	186.42
S2	12	2.0	0.5	0.5	3	10^5	10^5	1064	0.95	100	10^{-4}	2×220	186.42
O1	10	1.3	4.0	2.0	300	10^5	10^6	1064	0.95	5000	10^{-6}	2×79	172.55
O2	12	2.0	0.5	0.5	300	10^5	10^6	1064	0.95	5000	10^{-6}	2×188	172.55

Long tunnel

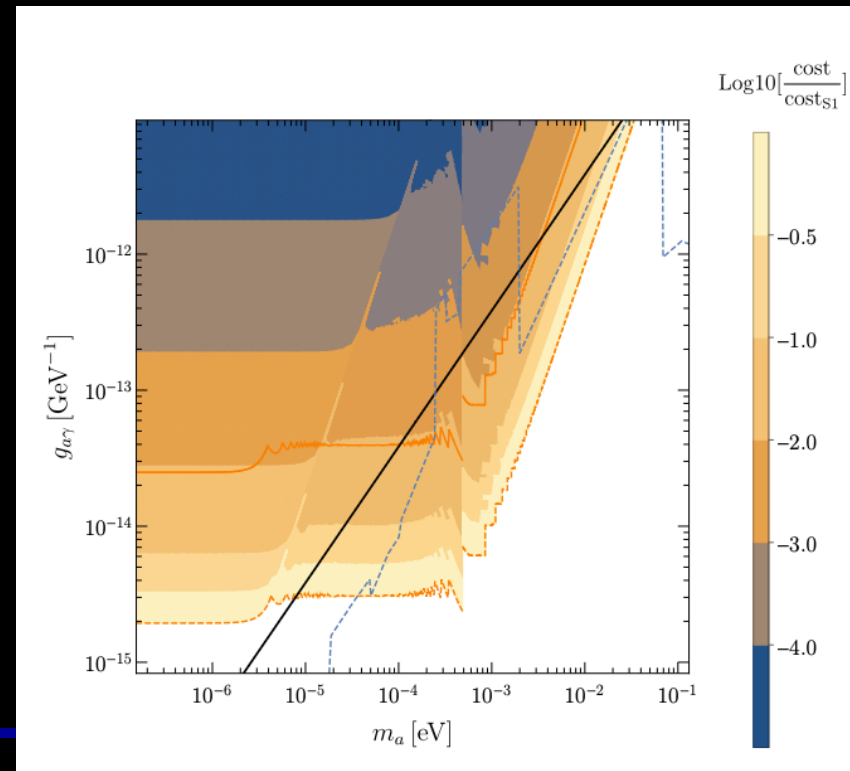
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many strong magnets

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few x 100 GEuro

→ Pick cheapest option



going full
Astronomy

Taking the sun's temperature

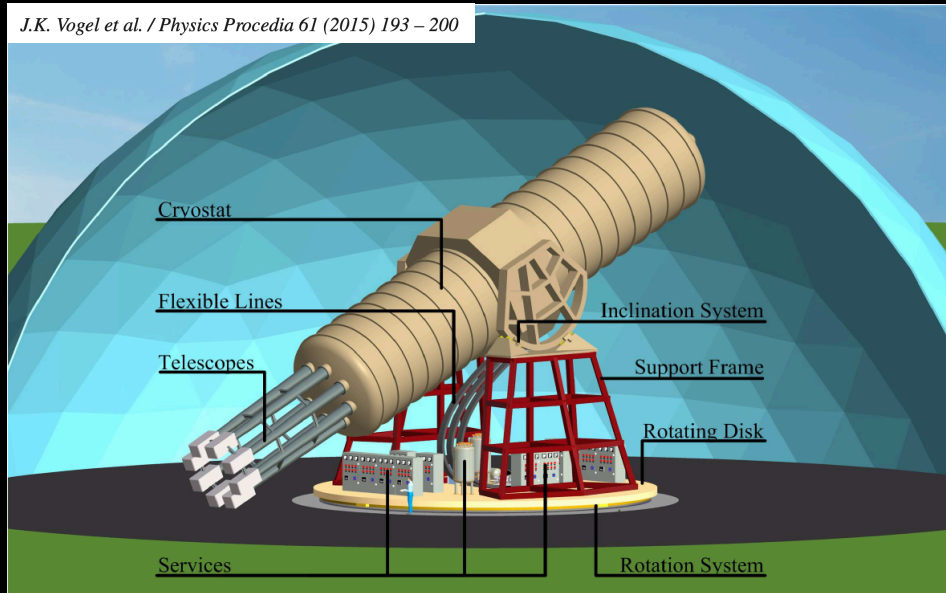
Axion helioscopes as solar thermometers

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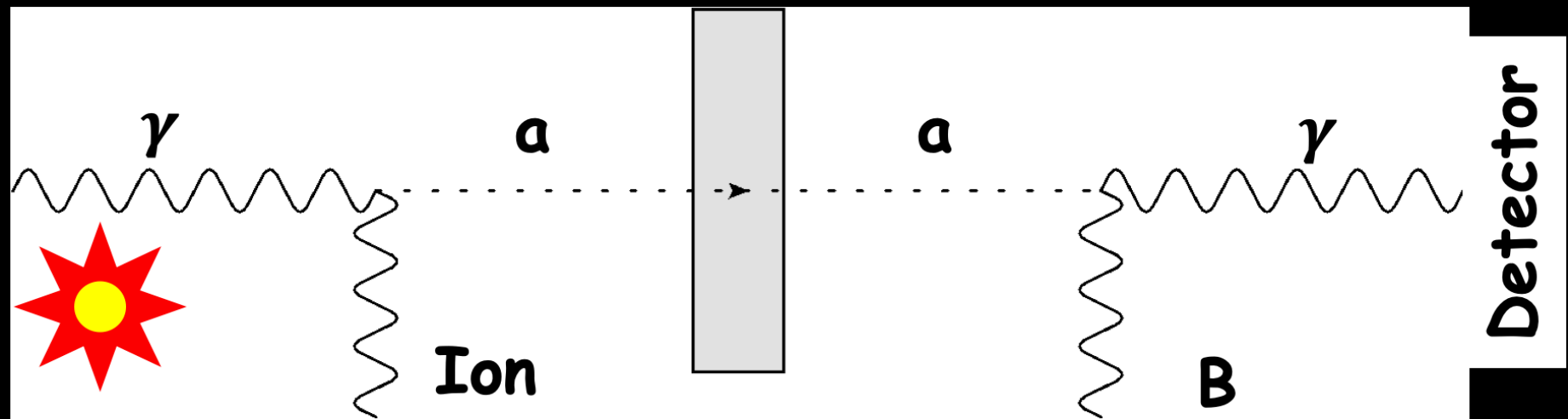
Helioscope: International Axion Observatory = IAXO

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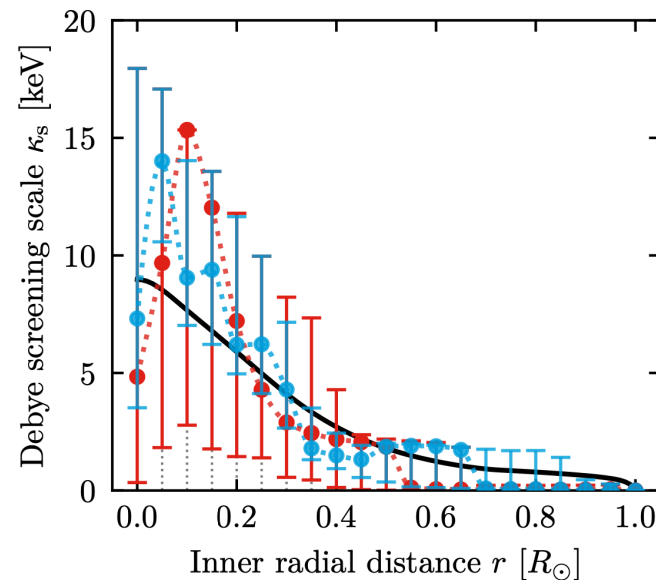
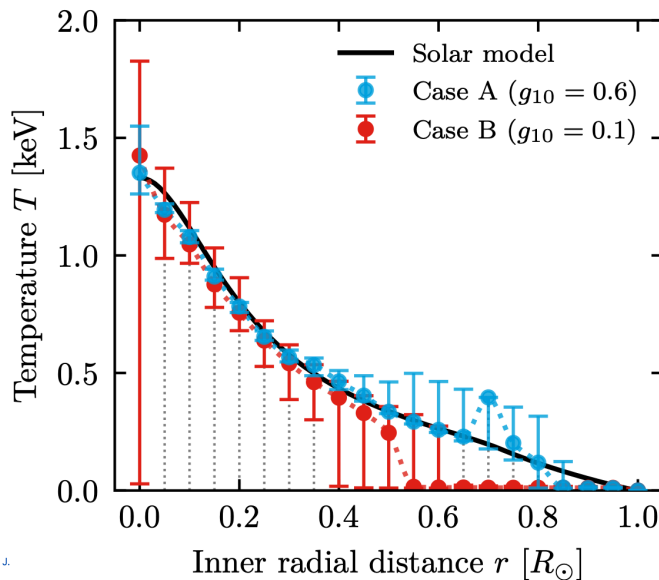
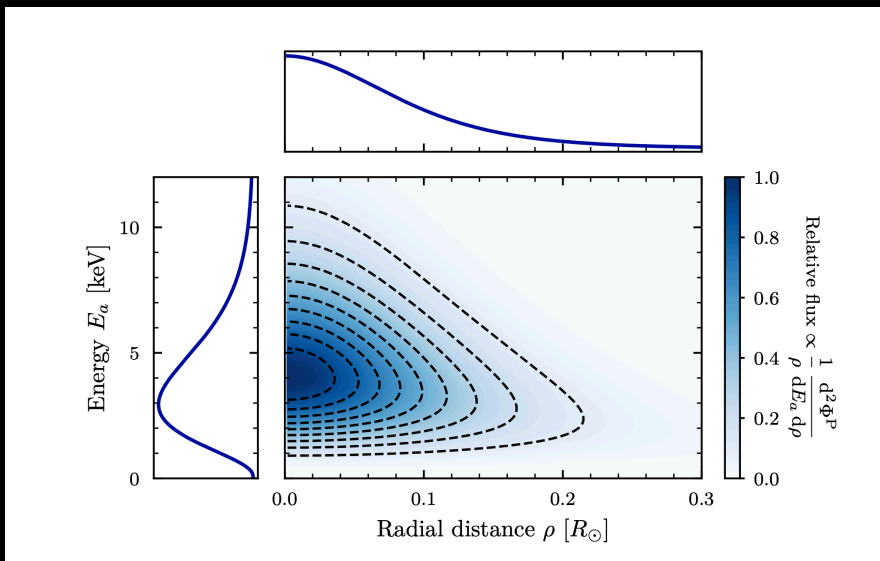
$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{1}{4} g_{a\gamma\gamma} a F^\mu \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu}$$

Light shining through walls



Temperature measurement

Measure axion flux and spectrum along the solar disc



Theory

+

Astrophysics

Learning about

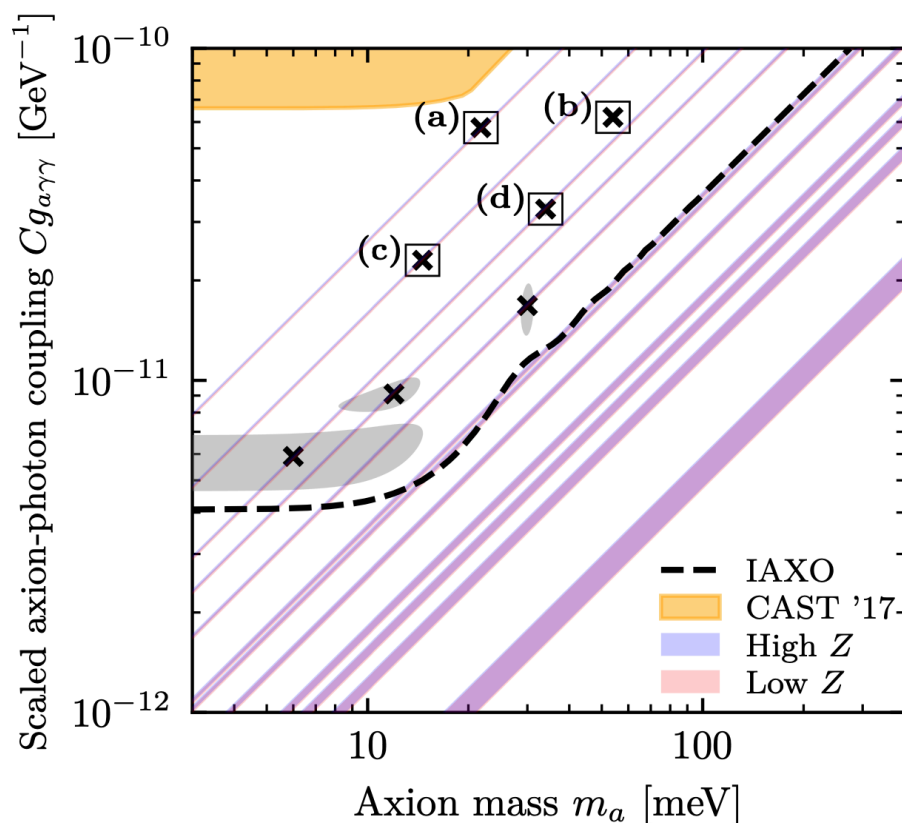
models

(axion and solar)

Could also tell us about axion models...

QCD axion models live on "lines"
in parameter space

→ mass + coupling also tells us about model



$$g_{a\gamma} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi f_a} C_{a\gamma} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi f_a} |E/N - C_{a\gamma,0}^{\text{NLO}}|,$$

Charges of
heavy particles
in axion model

Distinguishing Axion Models with IAXO

Joerg Jaeckel (Heidelberg U.), Lennert J. Thormaehlen (Heidelberg U.) (Nov 22, 2018)

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Weighing the solar axion

Theopisti Dafni (Zaragoza U.), Ciaran A.J. O'Hare (Zaragoza U.), Biljana Lakić (Boskovic Inst., Zagreb), Javier Galán (Zaragoza U.), Francisco J. Iguaz (Zaragoza U. and SOLEIL, Saint-Aubin) et al. (Nov 22, 2018)

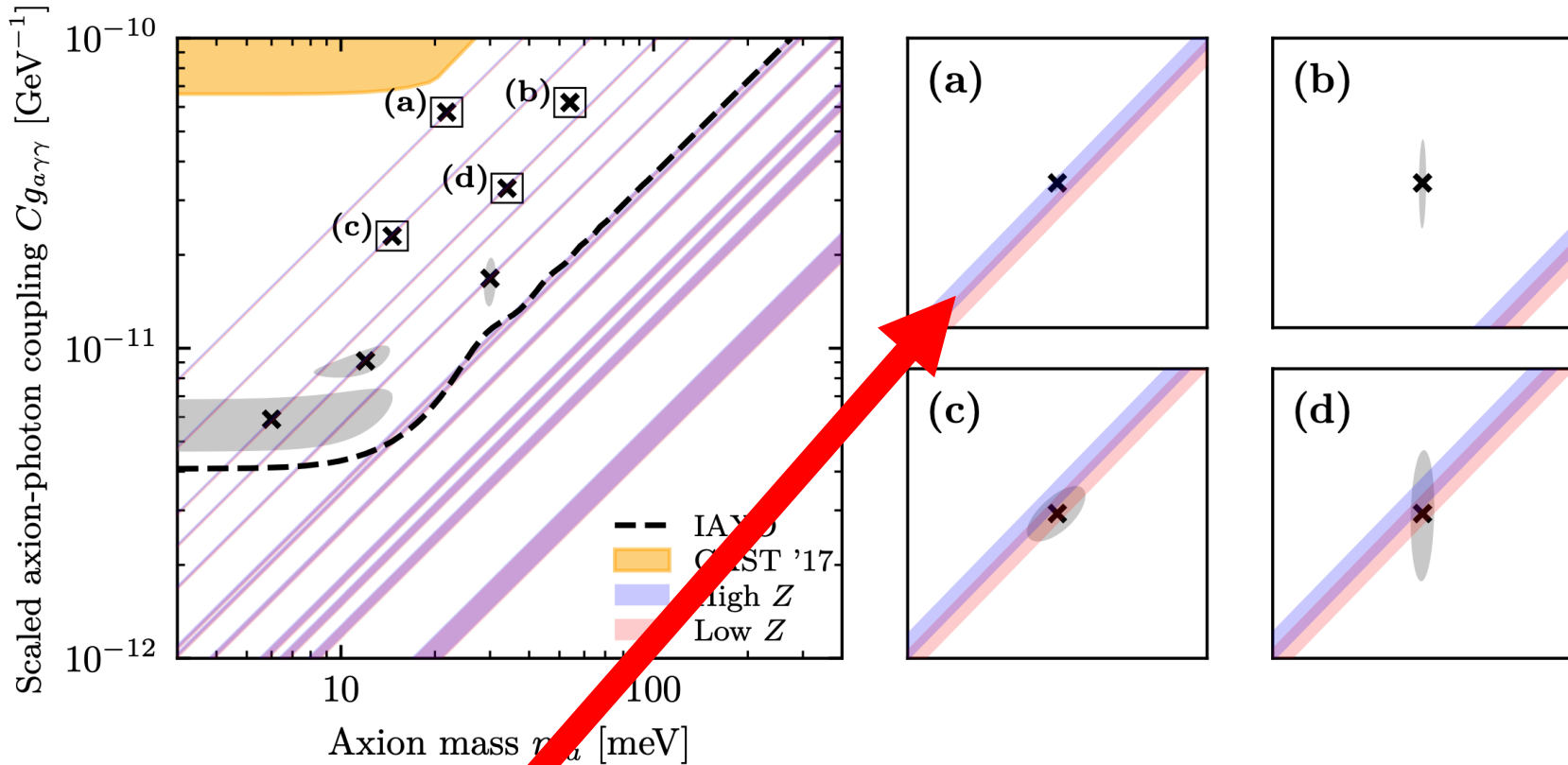
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Quantifying uncertainties in the solar axion flux and their impact on determining axion model parameters

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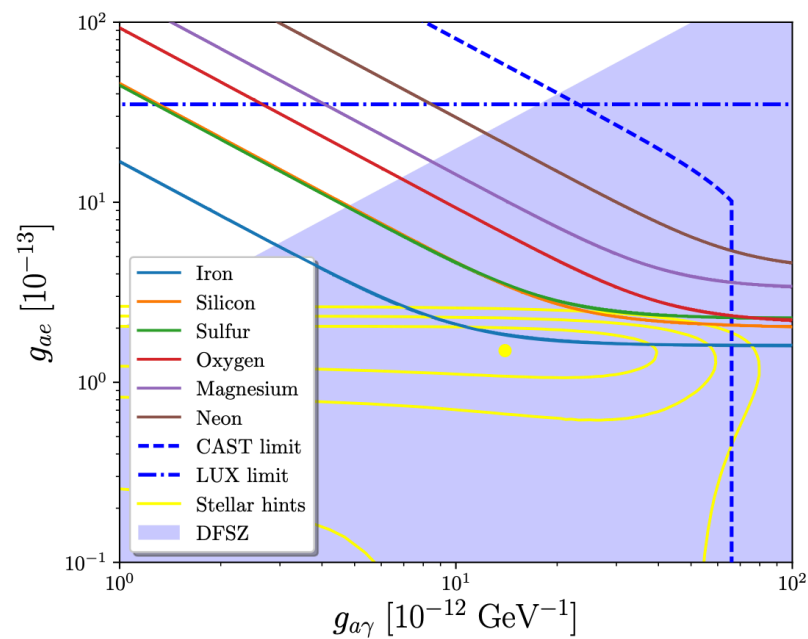
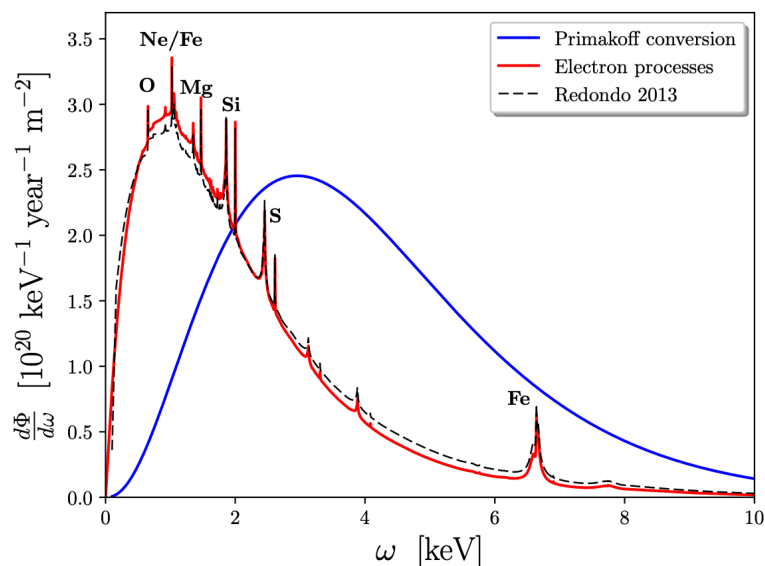
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But also about solar models...



Different solar models

Probing solar „metals“



Axions as a probe of solar metals

Joerg Jaeckel (U. Heidelberg (main)), Lennert J. Thormaehlen (U. Heidelberg (main)) (Aug 28, 2019)

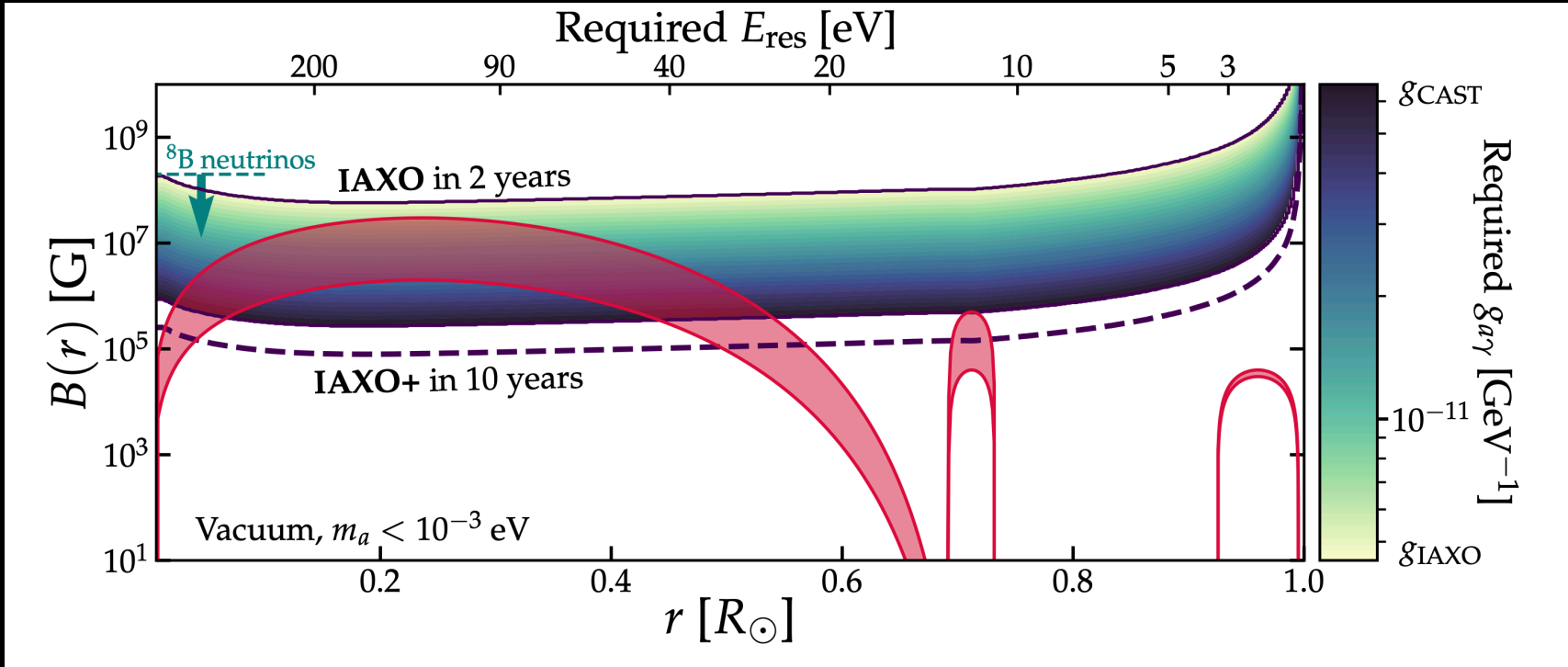
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Axions as solar magnetometers

Axion helioscopes as solar magnetometers

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Dark Cosmology

Axionic/ALPy Dark Radiation

- Many (string) models feature a long-lived modulus Φ
- This reheats the Universe $\Phi \rightarrow SM$
- Significant branching ratio into axions/ALPs $\Phi \rightarrow a + a$
- These a are effective degrees relativistic of freedom visible in BBN and CMB
- often dangerous „Dark Radiation Problem“

A. Hebecker, P. Mangat, F. Rompineve, and L. T. Witkowski, “Dark Radiation predictions from general Large Volume Scenarios,” JHEP 09 (2014) 140, arXiv:1403.6810 [hep-ph].

S. Angus, “Dark Radiation in Anisotropic LARGE Volume Compactifications,” JHEP 10 (2014) 184, arXiv:1403.6473 [hep-ph].

M. Cicoli, J. P. Conlon, and F. Quevedo, “Dark radiation in LARGE volume models,” Phys. Rev. D 87 no. 4, (2013) 043520, arXiv:1208.3562 [hep-ph].

T. Higaki and F. Takahashi, “Dark Radiation and Dark Matter in Large Volume Compactifications,” JHEP 11 (2012) 125, arXiv:1208.3563 [hep-ph].

- Can be addressed but leaves some DR

Axions in string theory — slaying the Hydra of dark radiation

Michele Cicoli (Bologna U. and INFN, Bologna), Arthur Hebecker (U. Heidelberg, ITP and Heidelberg U.), Joerg Jaeckel (U. Heidelberg, ITP and Heidelberg U.), Manuel Wittner (U. Heidelberg, ITP and Heidelberg U.) (Mar 16, 2022)

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We expect some dark radiation

$$\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \sim 6.1 \left(\frac{11}{g_*^4 g_{*,S}^{-3}} \right)^{1/3} BR(\phi \rightarrow aa) \simeq 0.3 \left(\frac{11}{g_*^4 g_{*,S}^{-3}} \right)^{1/3} \simeq 0.14$$

$$g_* = g_{*,S} = 106.75$$

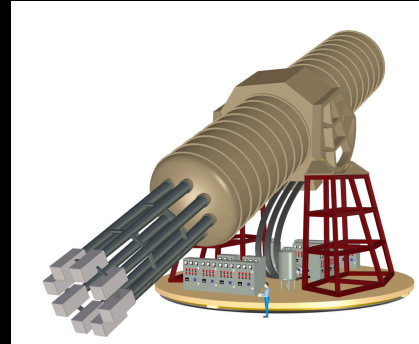
This dark radiation is made from axions.
A significant part is QCD axions



Detectable

Dark Radiation may be detectable + useful

- For example in IAXO

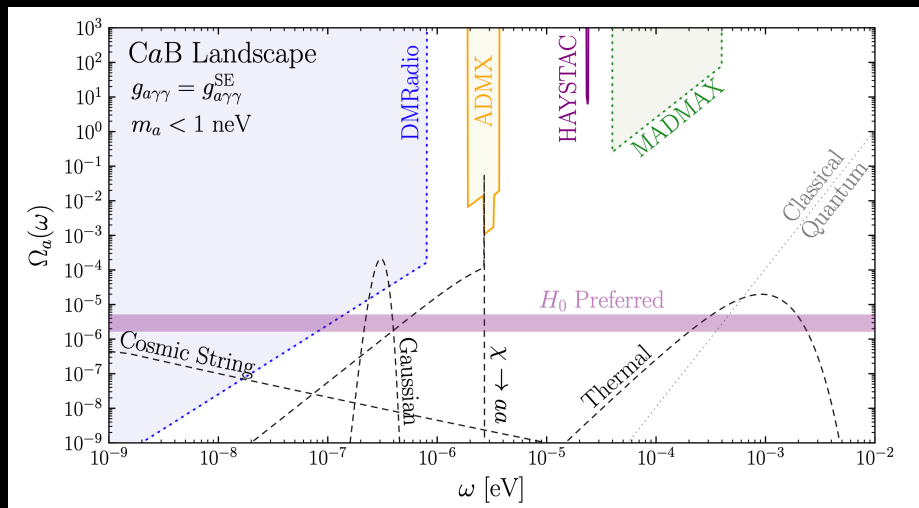


Physics potential of the International Axion Observatory (IAXO)

IAXO Collaboration • E. Armengaud (IRFU, Saclay) et al. (Apr 19, 2019)

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- But also other experiments



Cosmic axion background

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- Might be interesting to think beyond scalar photon couplings!

New tool to probe Reheating

- This dark radiation may allow to get access to information about reheating

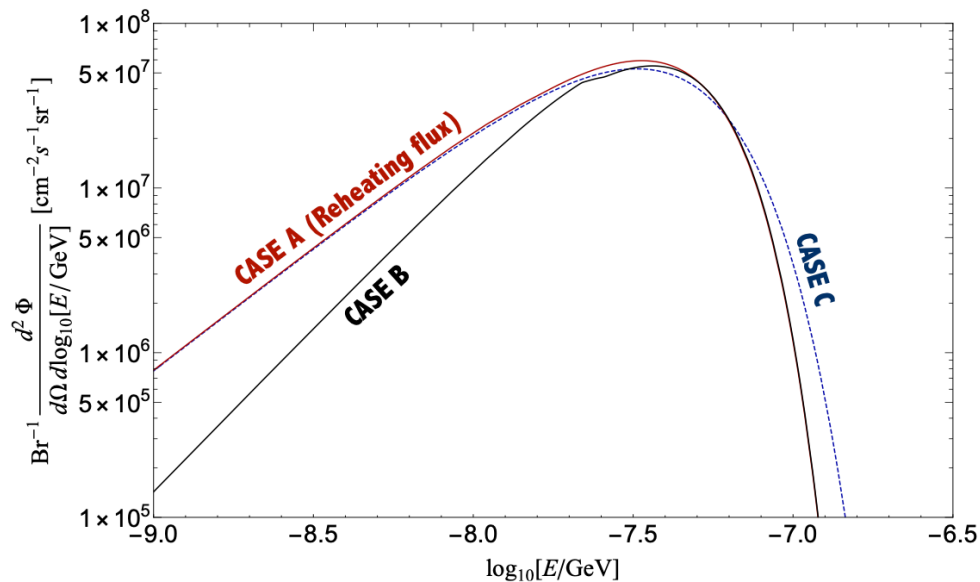
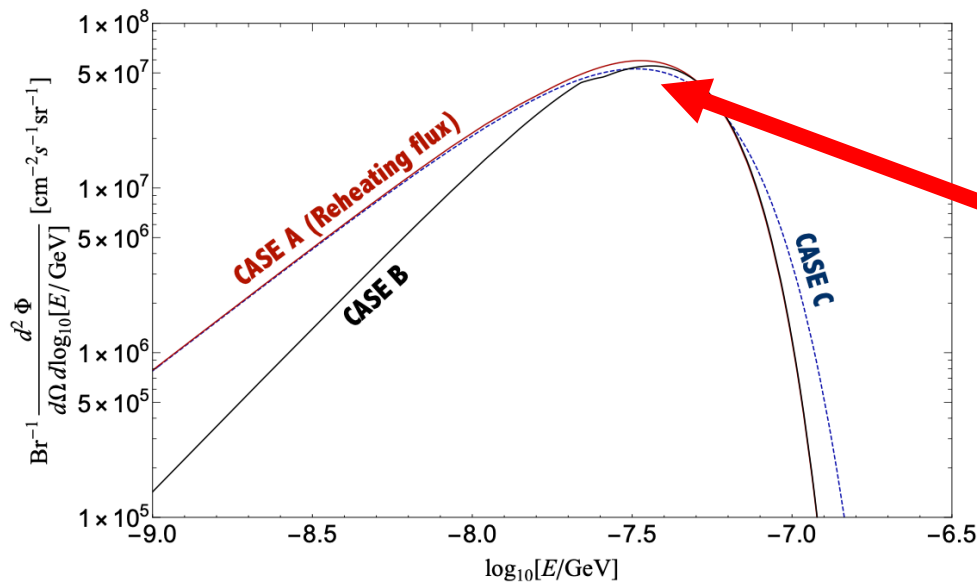


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Measures

$$\frac{m_{\Phi}}{T_{\Phi}}$$

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Measure reheating temperature

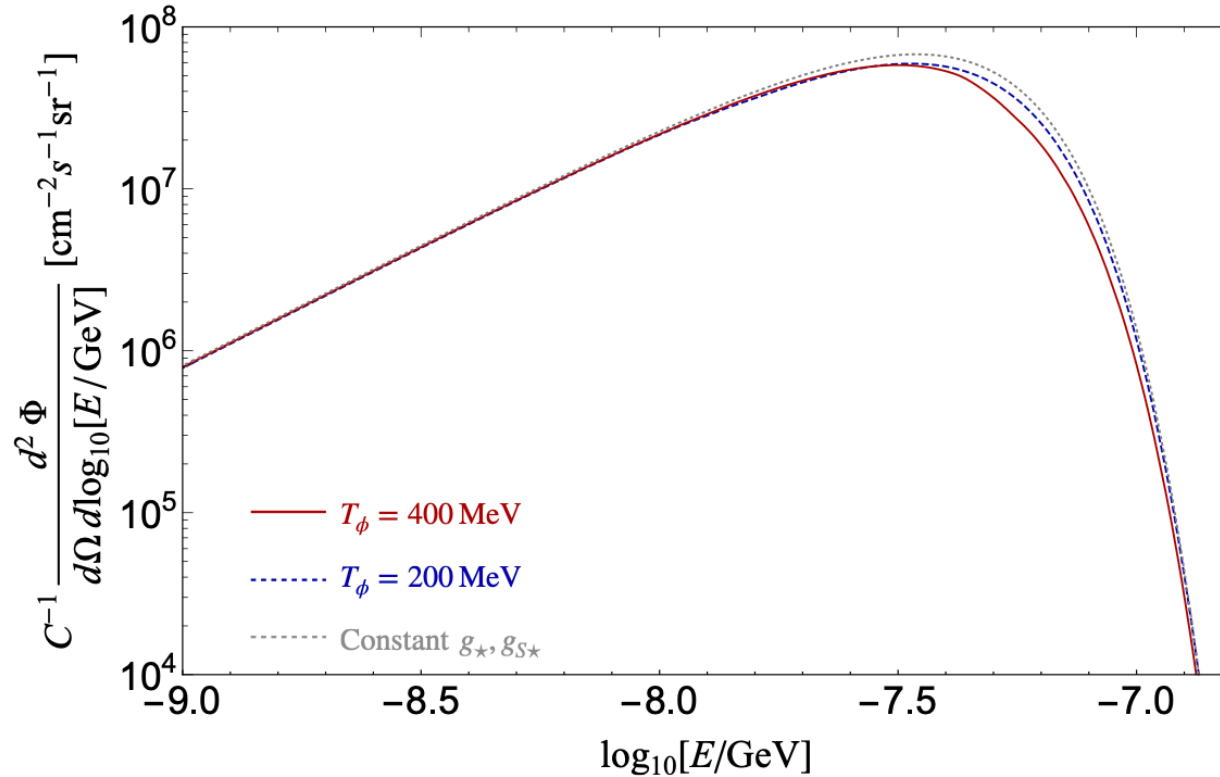


Figure. 2. The reheating flux dependence on the decoupling effect: $T_\phi = 400 \text{ MeV}$ (red-solid line) and $T_\phi = 200 \text{ MeV}$ (blue-dashed line, CASE A). We take $g_\star, g_{S\star}$ temperature in-

Conclusions

- Axion coolest Dark Matter ☺
- Current and near future experiments probe best motivated parameter space
- Axion DM can give us much more information:
 - DM density → Is it THE Dark Matter
 - DM velocity
- Axions tell us about the sun
 - Temperature + Composition
- Axion coupling and mass → Axion model?
- Axions can be a messenger of Inflation and Reheating

A little survey

- Looking for potentially wrong or problematic papers
- (focused on experiments/experimental proposals)



Please participate!
