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First Results of a new Haloscope Setup at Mainz and Prospects for Detecting Ultra High Frequency Gravitational Waves

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Experimental Setup

• Cryostat

- Holds up to 9 liters of LHe
- Thermal shielding by LN₂ & vacuum
- Magnet (Prof. Budker, CASPEr)
 - Homogenous B-field along vertical axis of max. 14.1 T
 - Stray field ca. 60 mT at 20 cm above magnet

• Pre-Amp

- 36 dB Gain
- 3.6 K thermal noise
- Circulator
 - Used for cavity & antenna characterization
 - Prevents cable reflections
 - Max. external B-field 0.15 T
- Attenuators
 - Stop 300 K noise from outside



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RF Superconductivity and magnetic fields

- Usual superconductors often very susceptible to external magnetic fields
- Unfortunate since $P_{sig} \propto B^2 Q$
- REBCO & YBCO HTS show good performance in magnetic fields
 → very high Q factors
- Problem: most layered tapes cannot be properly applied to rounded surfaces



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Data taken w/o B-field

- 3 runs with total of 16,440sec (4.5h)
- Keeping pressure constant (+- 1mbar) essential to hold peak position
- Histogram with bin width of average HWHM of peaks
- > 15 mins over 5 bins
 → Should give exclusion range of 110kHz width with competitive limit (Q_L > 120k)



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GravNet: Using Axion Haloscopes for GW detection



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GravNet: Sensitivity to gravitational waves

Axions	Gravitational Waves
 RF cavity in magnetic field Resonant excitation of cavity eigenmode Axion conversion into photon via Primakoff effect 	 RF cavity in magnetic field Resonant excitation of cavity eigenmode GW conversion into photon via inverse Gertsenshtein effect
• Signal strength: $\&$ B _o	• Signal strength: $\bigotimes B(\mathbf{x},t)$
$P_{\rm sig} = \kappa g_{a\gamma\gamma}^2 \frac{1}{m_a} B_e^2 \rho_{\rm DM} V Q_0 C^2$	$P_{sig} = \frac{1}{2} Q \omega_g^3 V^{5/3} (\eta_n h_0 B_0)^2 \frac{1}{\mu_0 c^2}$



GravNet: Sensitivity to gravitational waves



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GravNet: Challenges of haloscopes for GW detection

- Many axion haloscope experiments recast axion $g_{a\gamma\gamma}$ limits into GW strain h_0 limits
- Limitation on integration time often neglected
 - Signals have duration of seconds (at best)
 - Integrating over $\mathcal{O}(15 \text{min})$ of data will classify the signal as noise
 - Signals are transient, not frequency stable
- Recasts must consider signal coherence time when analysing integrated data in frequency realm (as is usual in axion searches)

Expected sensitivity of different experiments and strain of PBH mergers of different masses



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Example: For ADMX the assumed integration times correspond to PBH signals of mass $m_{PBH} = (10^{-9}, 10^{-10}, 10^{-11}, 10^{-12}) M_{\odot}$

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- Use of neural networks searching for signal shapes



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#### <u>Conclusion</u>

- Don't try NbN in magnetic fields
- First 0.1MHz range DP limit for SUPAX soon
- First axion limit later this year
- Gravitational waves of PBH mergers can be detected with existing axion cavity setups
- Global network of GW detectors + new analysis approach enables necessary sensitivity with O(10ms) integration times
- Interested parties for collaboration welcome to talk to us

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