



Search for Dark Matter with the Relic Axion Dark-Matter Exploratory Setup (RADES)

Results based on Cuendis, Golm et. al, in preparation



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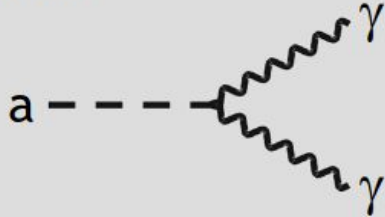


1 Particle-Physics Motivation

CP conservation in QCD by Peccei-Quinn mechanism


→ Axions $a \sim \pi^0$
 $m_\pi f_\pi \approx m_a f_a$

For $f_a \gg f_\pi$ axions are “invisible” and very light



3 Solar and Stellar Axions

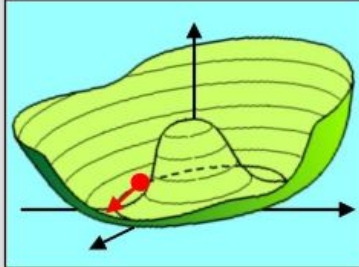
Axions thermally produced in stars, e.g. by Primakoff production



- Limits from avoiding excessive energy drain
- Solar axion searches (CAST, IAXO)

2 Cosmology

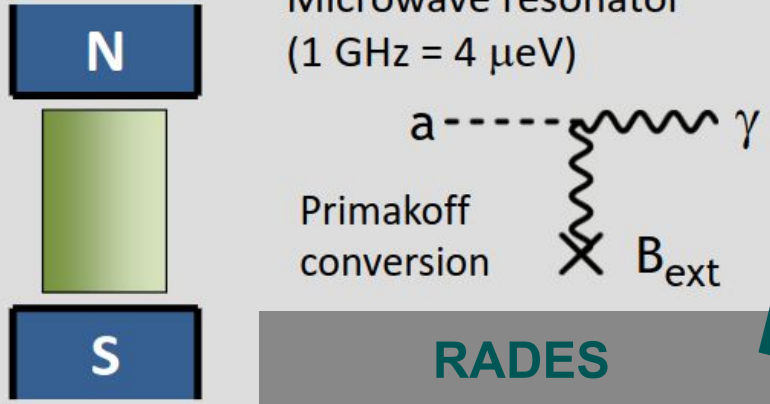
In spite of small mass, axions are born non-relativistically (non-thermal relics)



Cold dark matter candidate
 $m_a \sim 10 \mu\text{eV}$ (or much smaller or larger)

4 Search for Axion Dark Matter

Microwave resonator (1 GHz = 4 μeV)



Primakoff conversion

RADES

8.84 GHz

from Georg Raffelt



Extra U(1)' gauge bosons: Dark Photon

$$SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \times U(1)'$$

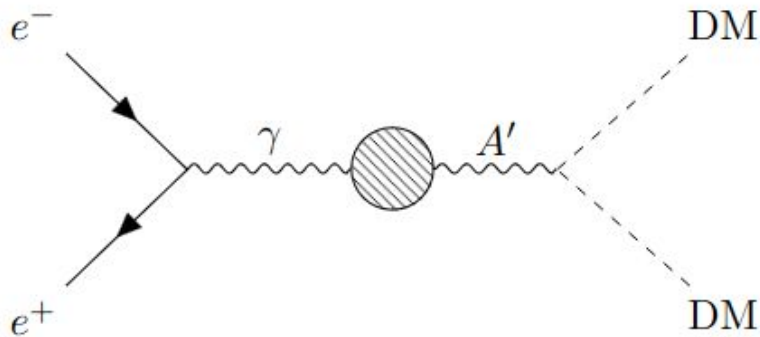
A force beyond the Standard Model

Status of the quest for hidden photons

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- similarities with the electromagnetic signals generated by axion \Rightarrow reinterpretation of limits
- intrinsic polarisation \Rightarrow accounting for polarization enhances sensitivity
- DP-photon mixing is an inherent feature of the model \Rightarrow no need for external magnetic field



$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4}X_{\mu\nu}X^{\mu\nu} - \frac{\chi}{2}F_{\mu\nu}X^{\mu\nu} + \frac{m_X^2}{2}X_\mu X^\mu + j_\mu A^\mu$$

"Kinetic mixing"

\swarrow below electroweak scale

Shift $X^\mu \rightarrow X^\mu - \chi A^\mu$ removes the kinetic mixing term:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4}X_{\mu\nu}X^{\mu\nu} + \frac{m_X^2}{2}(X_\mu X^\mu - 2\chi X_\mu A^\mu + \chi^2 A_\mu A^\mu) + j_\mu A^\mu$$

\longrightarrow non-diagonal mass term \Rightarrow mixing X and A, hence $A \leftrightarrow X$ oscillations



Haloscope Concept

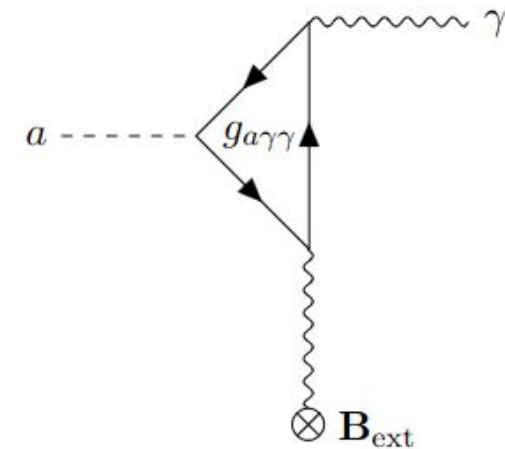
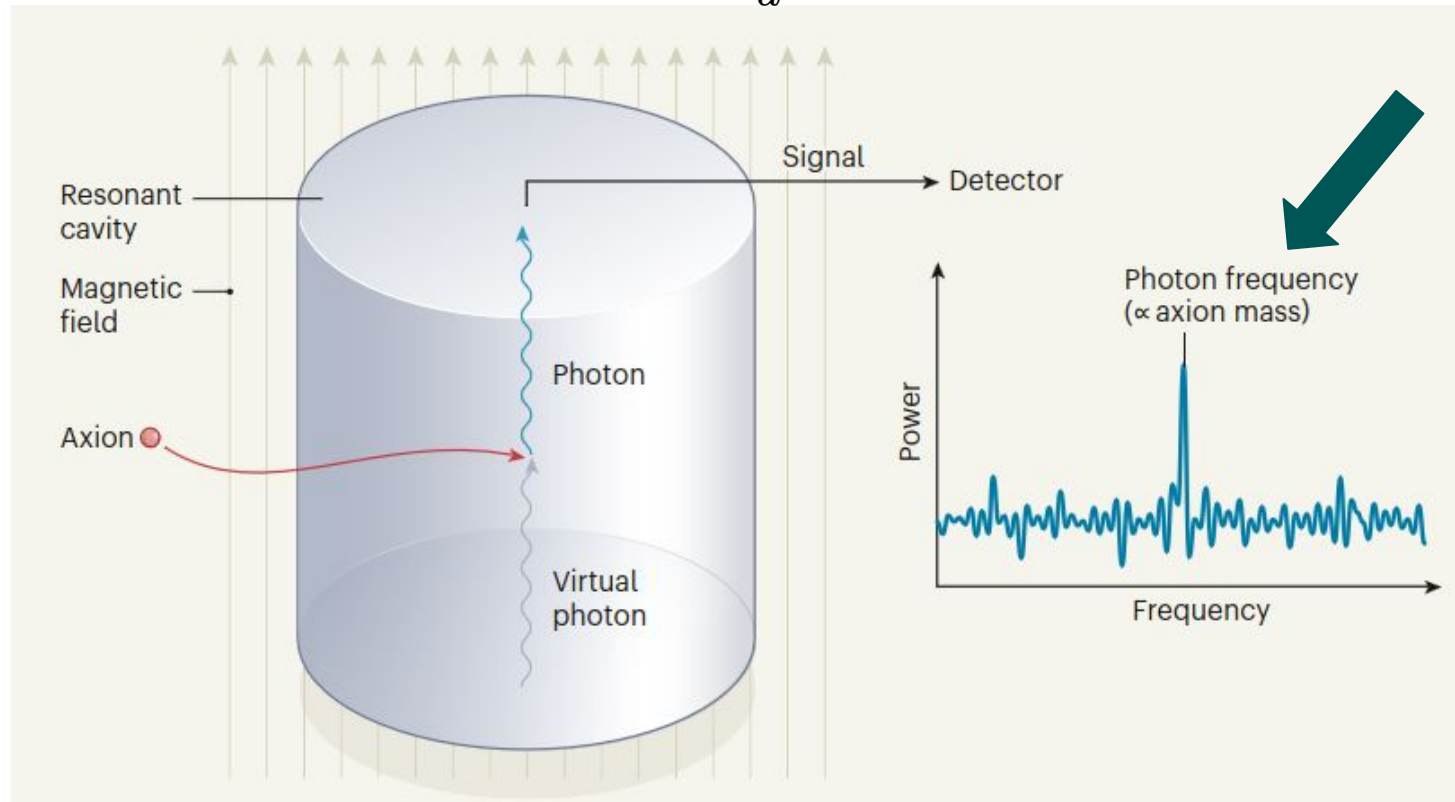
Experimental Tests of the “Invisible” Axion

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Tunable resonant cavity

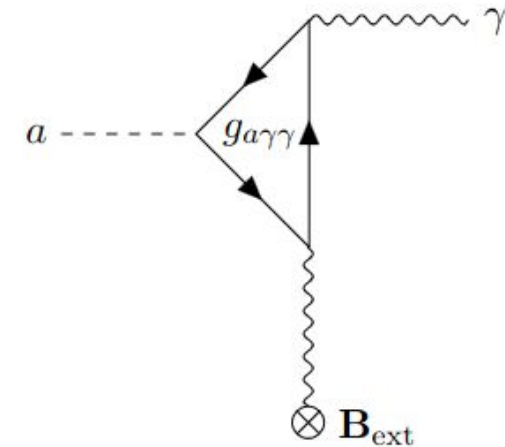
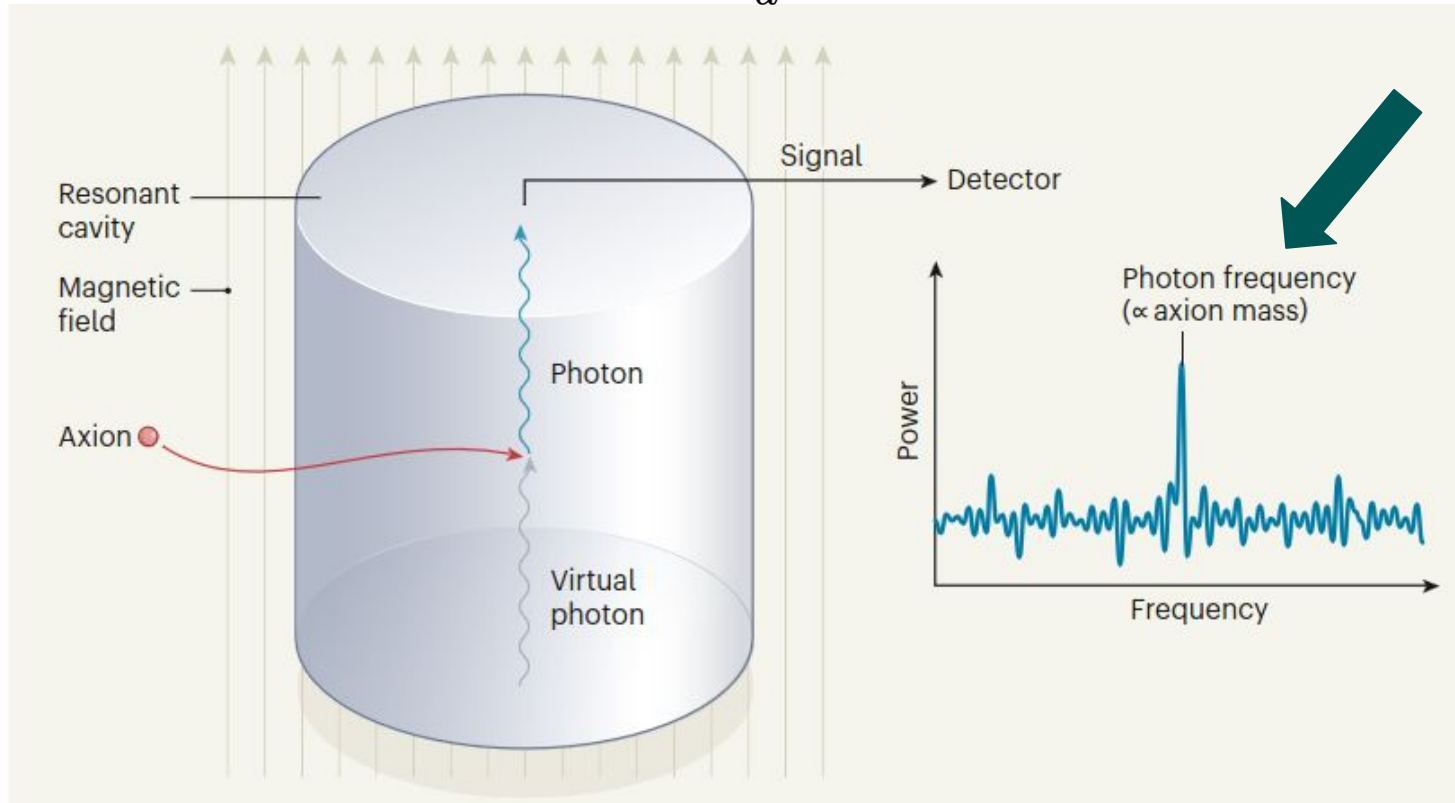
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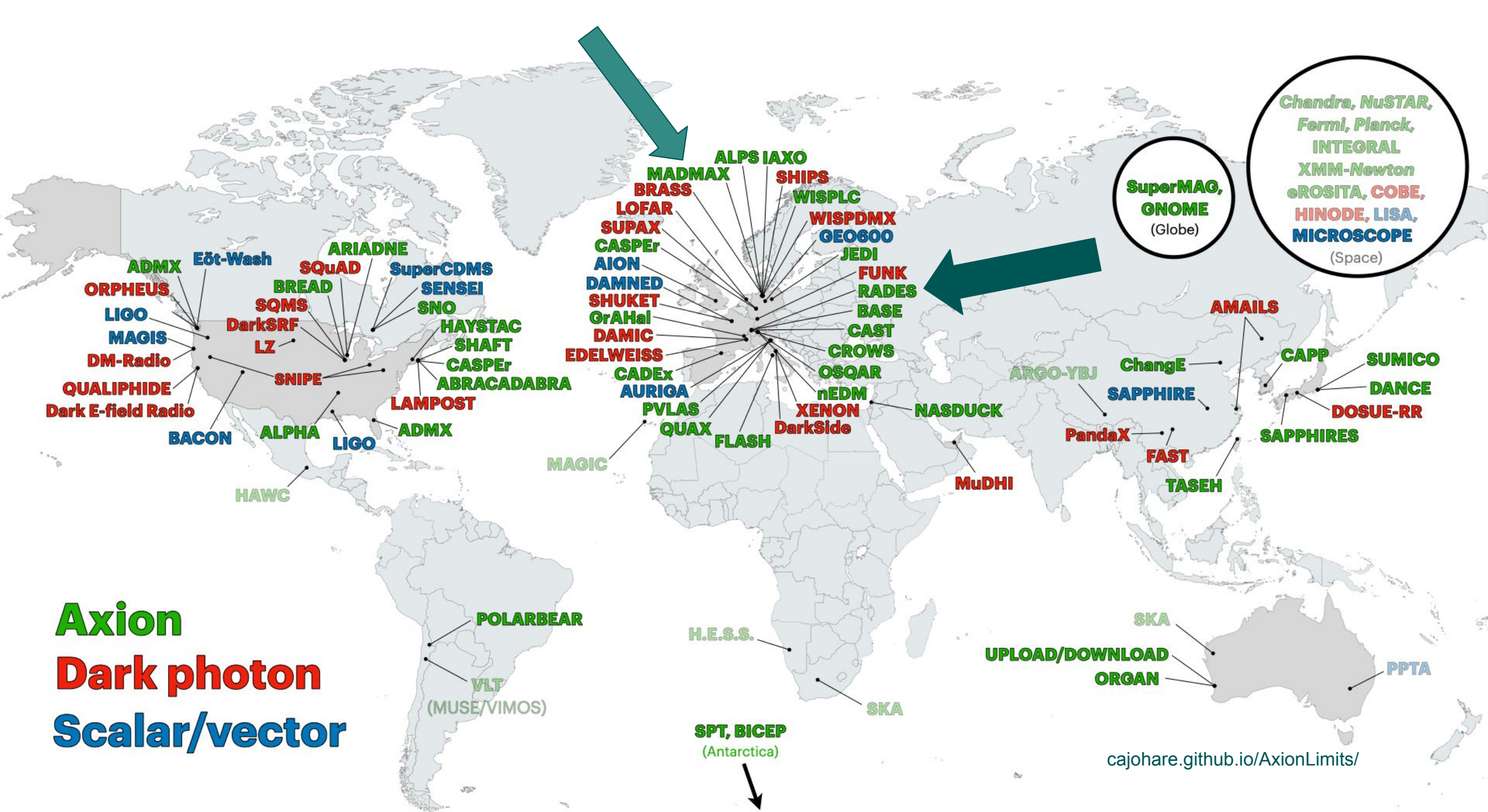
*** challenge:
don't know where
to look exactly...**

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Axion
Dark photon
Scalar/vector

- SuperMAG, GNOME**
 (Globe)
- Chandra, NuSTAR, Fermi, Planck, INTEGRAL, XMM-Newton, eROSITA, COBE, HINODE, LISA, MICROSCOPE**
 (Space)

cajohare.github.io/AxionLimits/

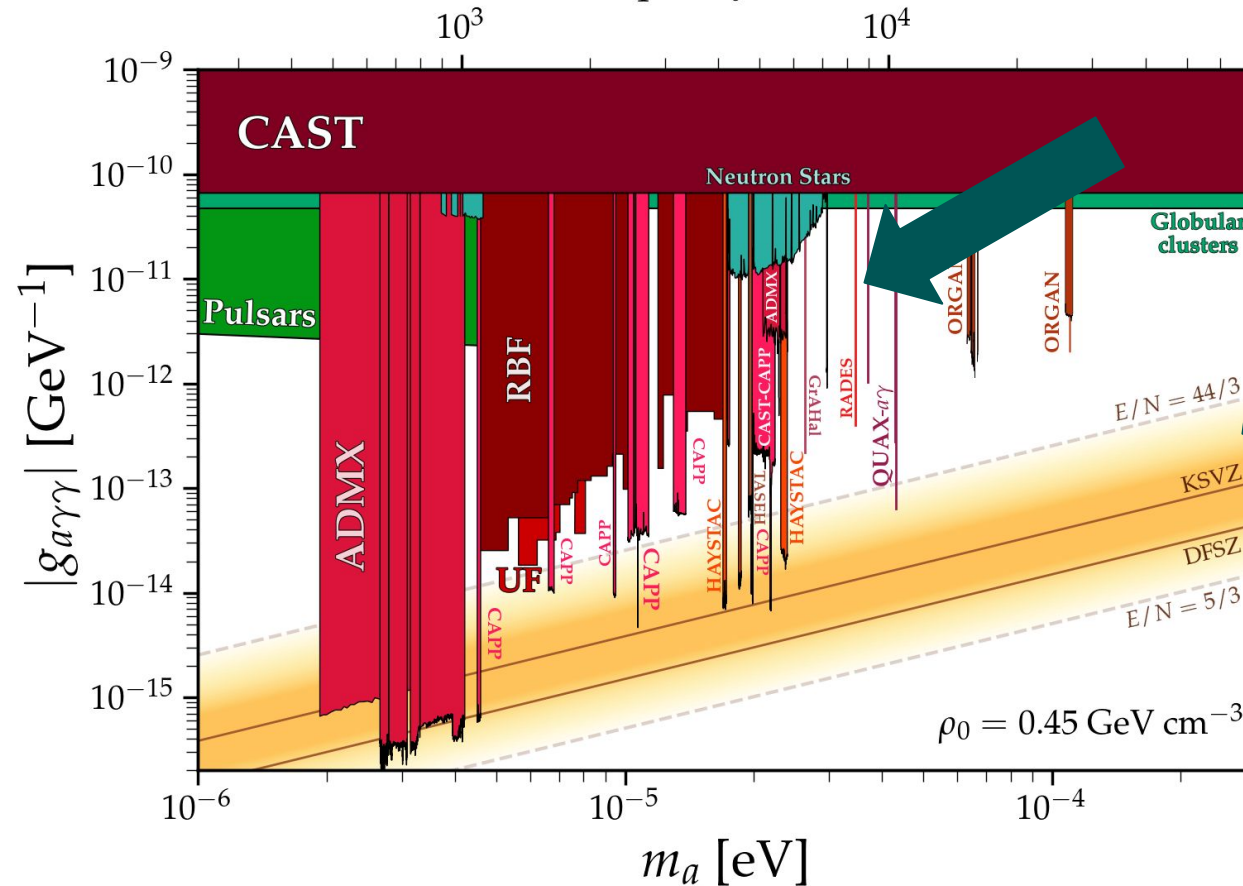


Axion Parameter space - Exclusion Plot

$$P_{cav} \propto g_{a\gamma}^2 \cdot \frac{\rho_{DM}}{m_a} \cdot B^2 \cdot V \cdot Q$$

Frequency [MHz]

we will see a lot of plots like this...

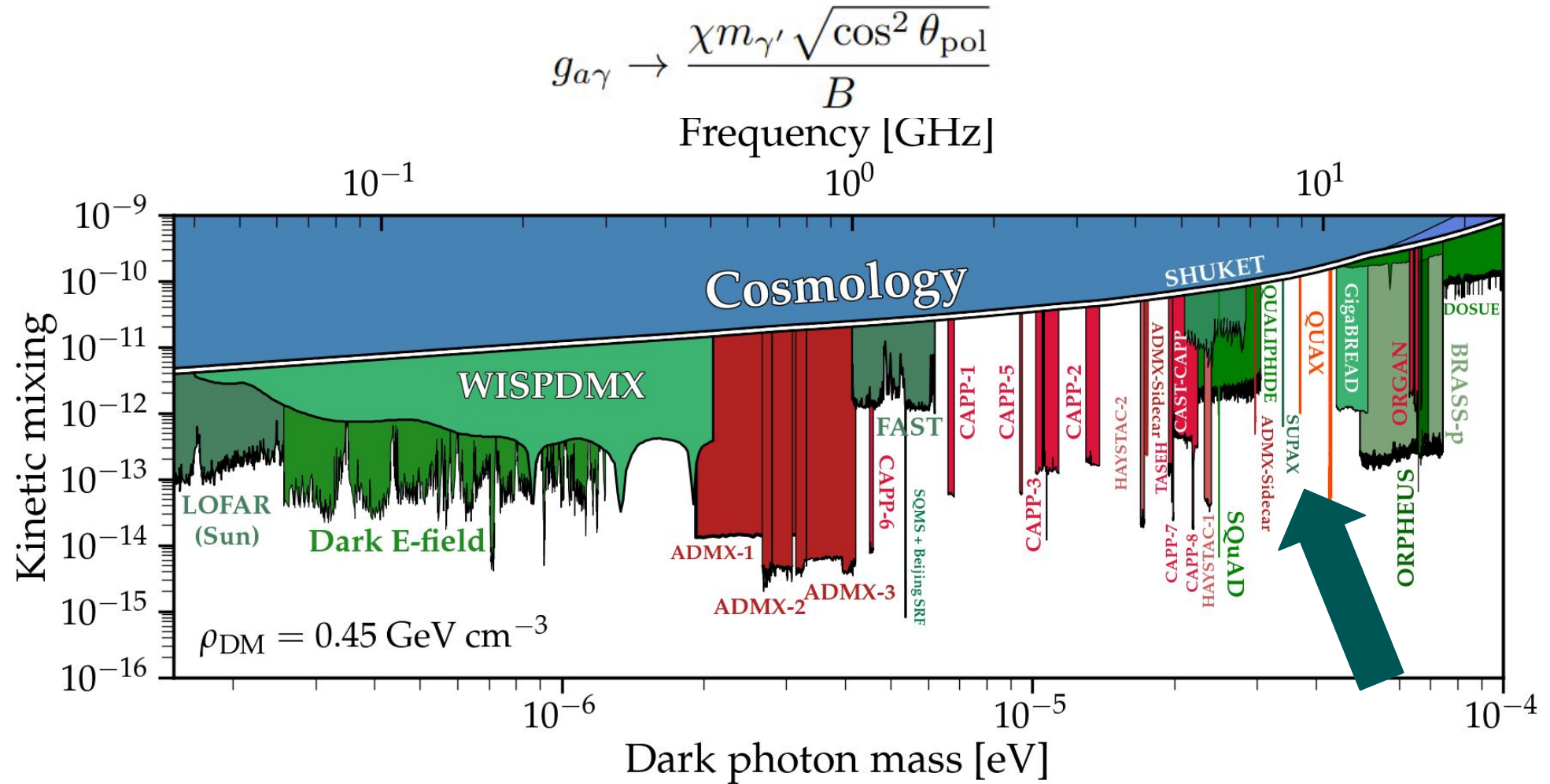


Yellow stripe: QCD Axion

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Dark Photon Parameter space - Exclusion Plot



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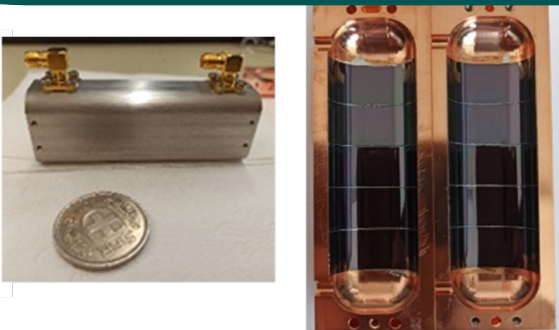
RADES Haloscope - SM18 setup

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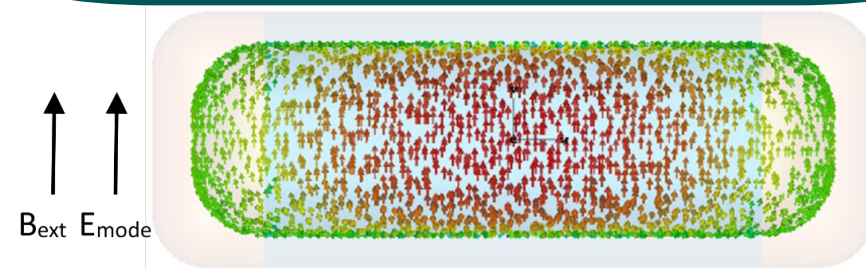


- Haloscope experiment using a superconducting RF cavity within an 11.7 T dipole magnet at CERN
- searches for cosmic axions originating from the dark matter halo
- Utilization of rectangular cavity optimized with high-temperature superconducting (HTS) ReBCO tapes \Rightarrow 50% increase in the quality factor over usual copper coatings
- The data acquisition (DAQ) system made of an analog and a digital stage
- Cavity connected to Cryogenic low noise amplifier (LNA) connected DAQ
- Data run: Analysed 27 hours of data: axion mass range of 36.5676 μeV to 36.5699 μeV

Cavity (prototype)uncoated & coated



Surface currents for the axion mode - TE111



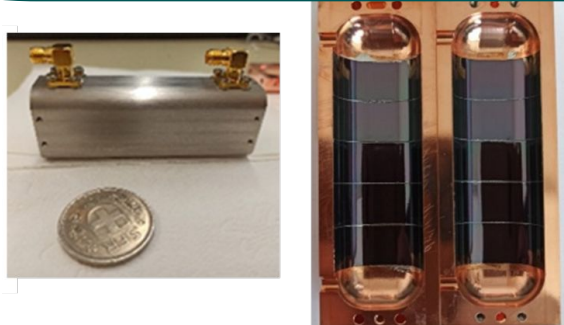


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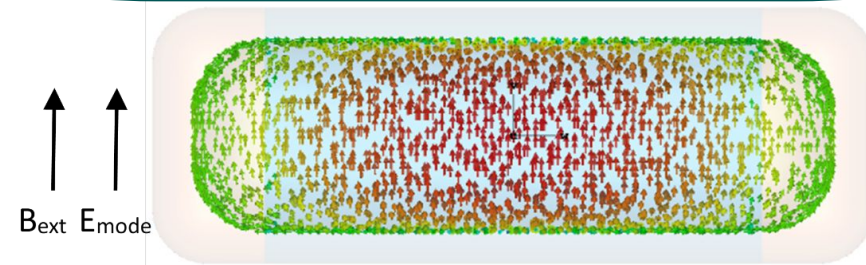
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- higher masses – high frequency very difficult due to reduced cavity volumes
- lower masses – low frequency implies large cavities and thus very big magnets

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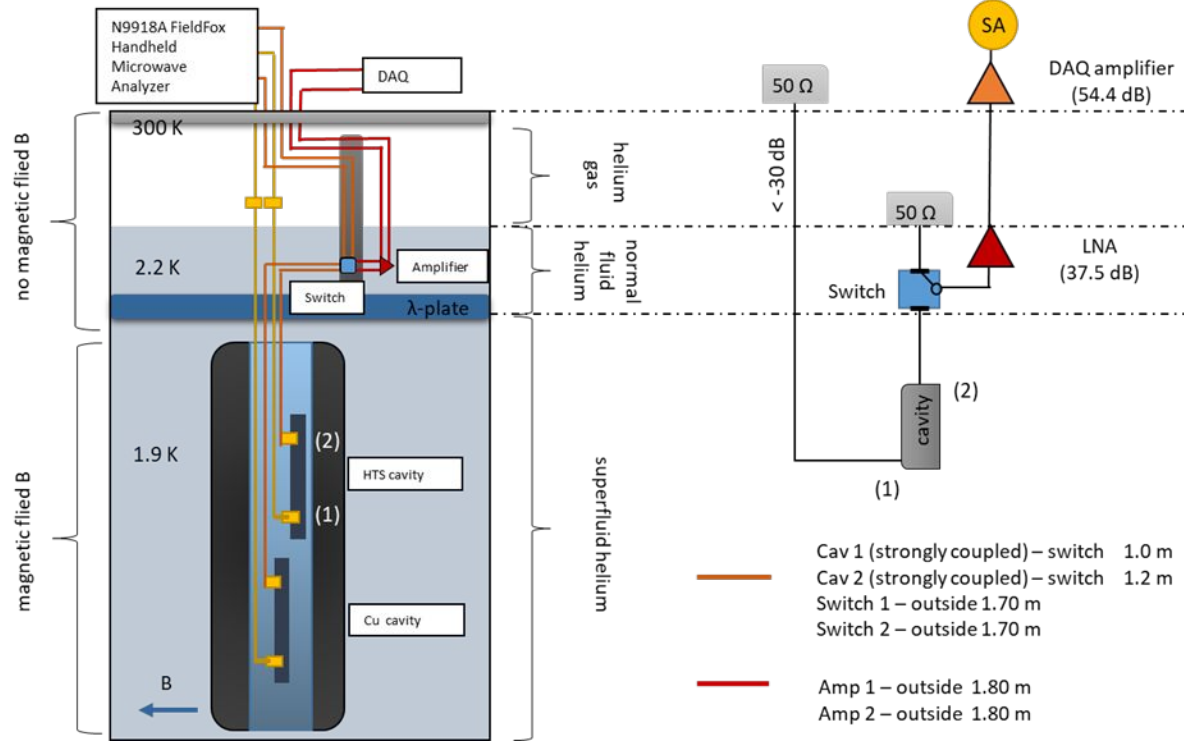
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*** difficulty: excess of residual electronic systematics**

$$\Sigma = \frac{P_{\text{sig}}}{k_B T_{\text{sys}}} \sqrt{\frac{\tau}{\Delta\nu_a}}$$

experimental set-up

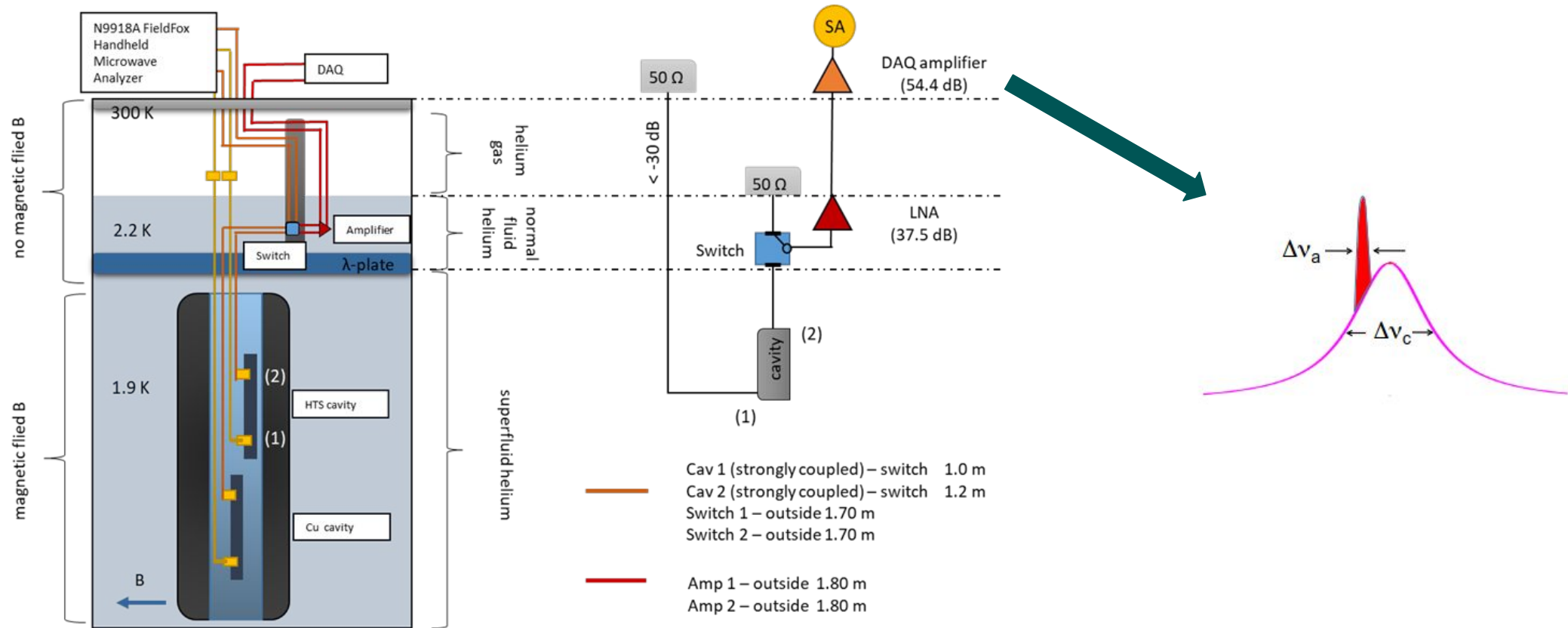
wiring diagram



- cavity connected to cryogenic LNA
- magnet & cavity inserted in a cryostat (liquid helium)
- pressure variations in the helium bath
- ⇒ frequency tuning: 312 kHz
- DAQ* consists of an analog and a digital stage
- analog part amplifies the input signal
- ⇒ converts it to an intermediate frequency (IF) via a Local Oscillator (LO)
- **I = 11850 A B = 11.7 T T = 1.9 K V = 0.0288 L**



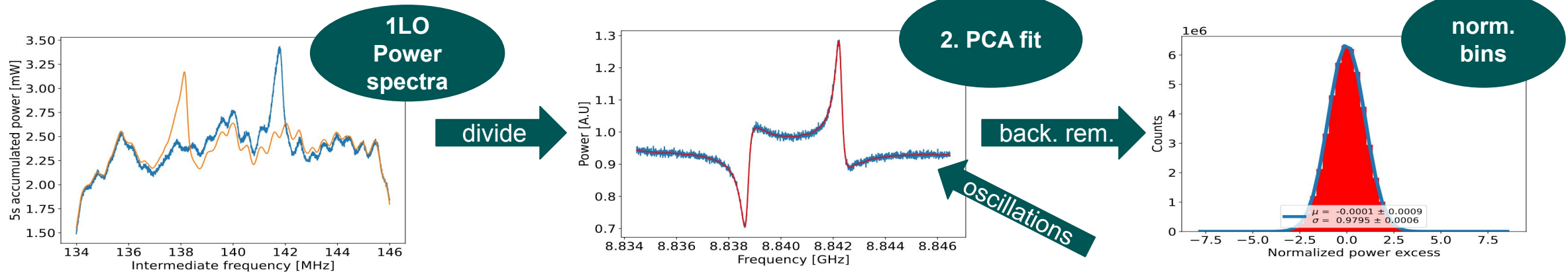
What to expect ?!





Data Analysis Procedure

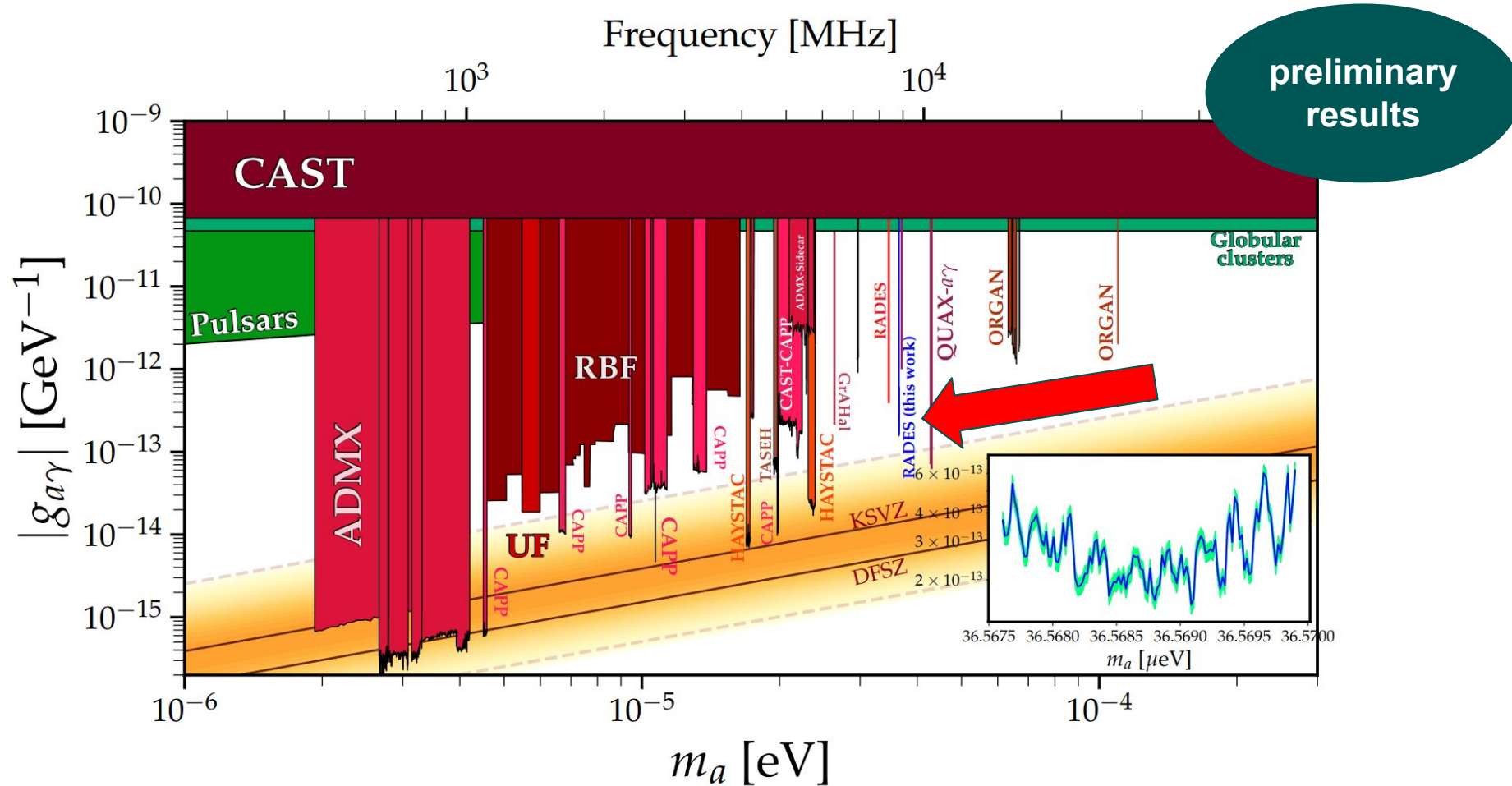
1. Division of LO Power Spectra
2. DAQ Calibration using Principal Component Analysis (PCA)
3. Removal of Electronic Background with modified Lorentzian PCA fit
4. Combining spectra: weighted Grand Unified Spectrum (GUS)
5. Systematic Structure Removal using a Savitzky-Golay fit
6. Axion Signal Search by fitting its lineshape to the spectrum
7. If no signal is observed: 95% confidence level exclusion plot using Bayesian statistics





Results for the Axion

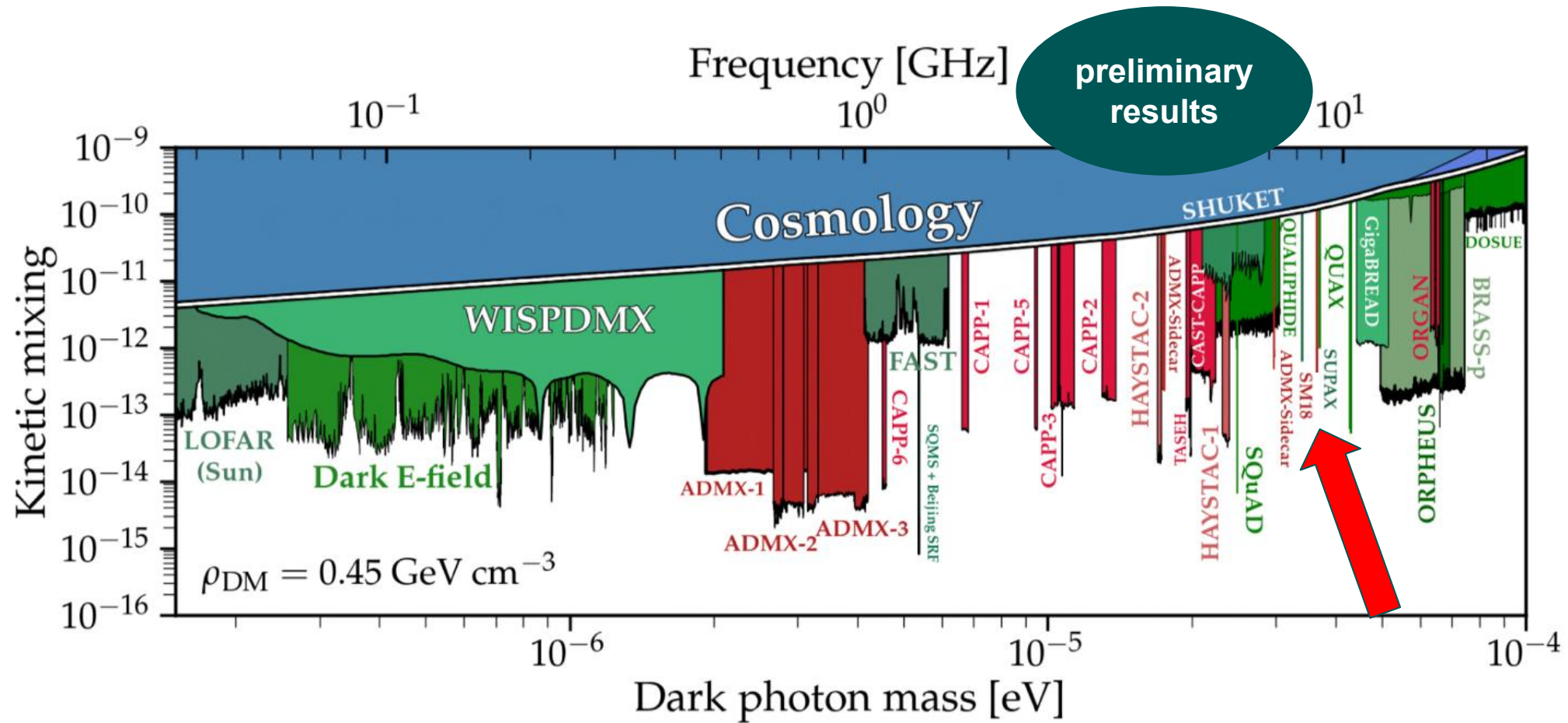
$$36.5676 \mu\text{eV} - 36.5699 \mu\text{eV}$$
$$g_{a\gamma} \gtrsim 6.2 \times 10^{-13} \text{GeV}^{-1} \text{ and } g_{a\gamma} \gtrsim 1.54 \times 10^{-13} \text{GeV}^{-1}$$





Results for the Dark Photon

$$36.5676 \mu\text{eV} - 36.5699 \mu\text{eV}$$





BabyIAXO upgrade promises breakthrough in the hunt for dark matter

by Andrey Feldman | Nov 29, 2023

Scientists propose an enhancement to the BabyIAXO axion detector, paving the way for an intensified search for elusive dark matter particles.

Summary

preliminary results

- **Axion Dark Matter Search: No signal excess detected in the mass range of 36.5676 μeV to 36.5699 μeV**
- **Dark Photon Matter Search: No signal excess detected in the mass range of 36.5676 μeV to 36.5699 μeV**
- **Challenges: residual electronic systematics in the spectral analyzer**

Outlook

- **Data analysis search of Dark photon**
- **RADES R&D Initiatives (e.g tuning) and RADES set up at MPP**
- **Search for High-frequency Gravitational Waves?**
- **Long-Term Vision: data-taking in the magnet of the babyIAXO haloscope, 1-2 μeV mass range**
- **DarkQuantum Initiative: new quantum sensors and their application in experiments to search for axions**



Thank you very much!

Questions?

Backup slides

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