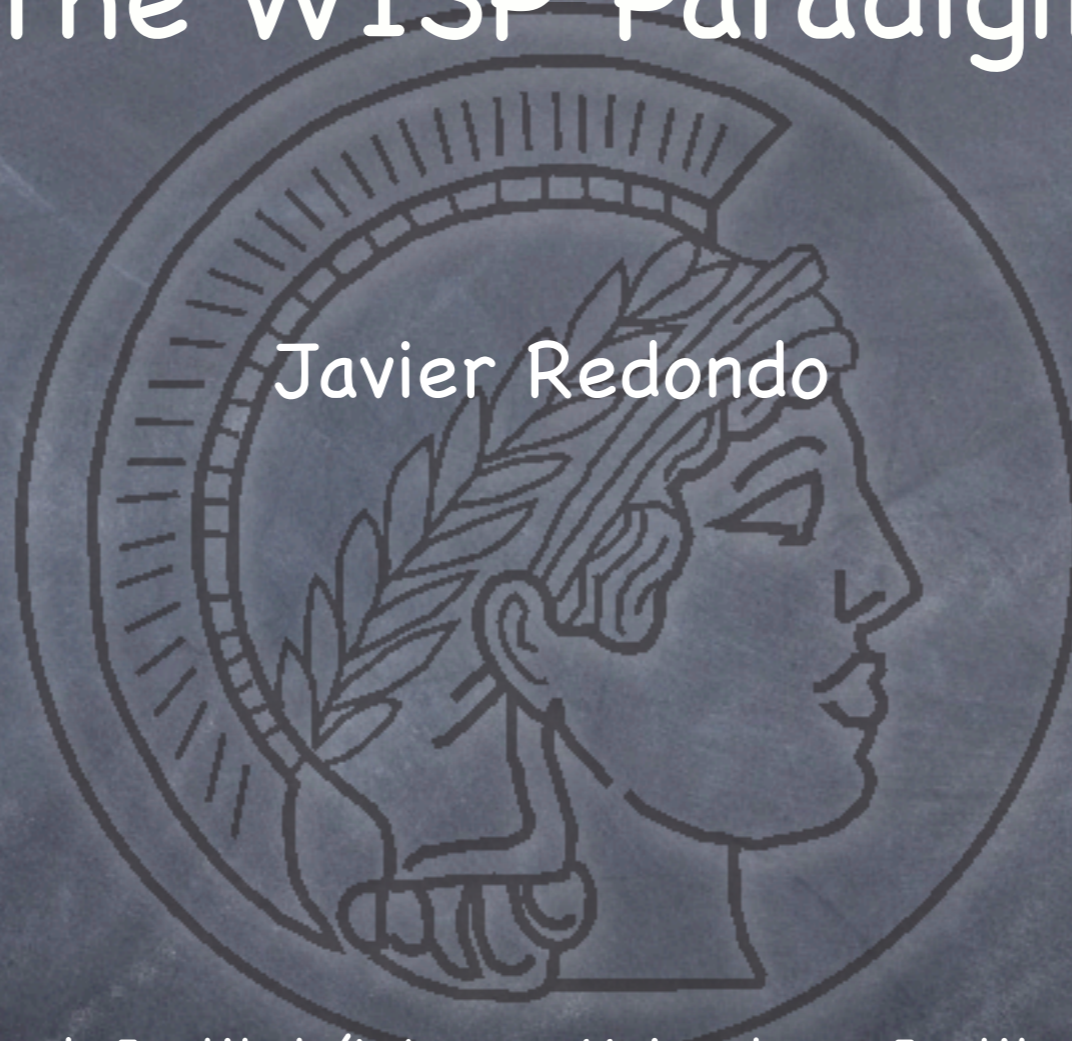


# The WISP Paradigm



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# Hidden Sectors in PBSM

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Extensions of SM often include Hidden Sectors

Fields coupled to SM only through gravity or high energy "messenger" fields...

This is the case in string theory (compactifications produce many particles, new gauge symmetries, and KKs)

Desirable for ~~SUSY~~

Also in GUT theories...

Massive  
Messengers

The diagram consists of three overlapping ovals. A blue oval on the left is labeled 'Standard Model' and contains the text 'e-, nu, q, gamma, W±, Z, g...H'. A dark green oval at the top is labeled 'Massive Messengers'. A red oval on the right is labeled 'Hidden Sector' and contains the text 'a, gamma', psi\_MCP...'. The blue and red ovals overlap at the bottom, and the green oval overlaps with both of them at the top.

Standard Model

$e^-, \nu, q, \gamma, W^\pm, Z, g \dots H$

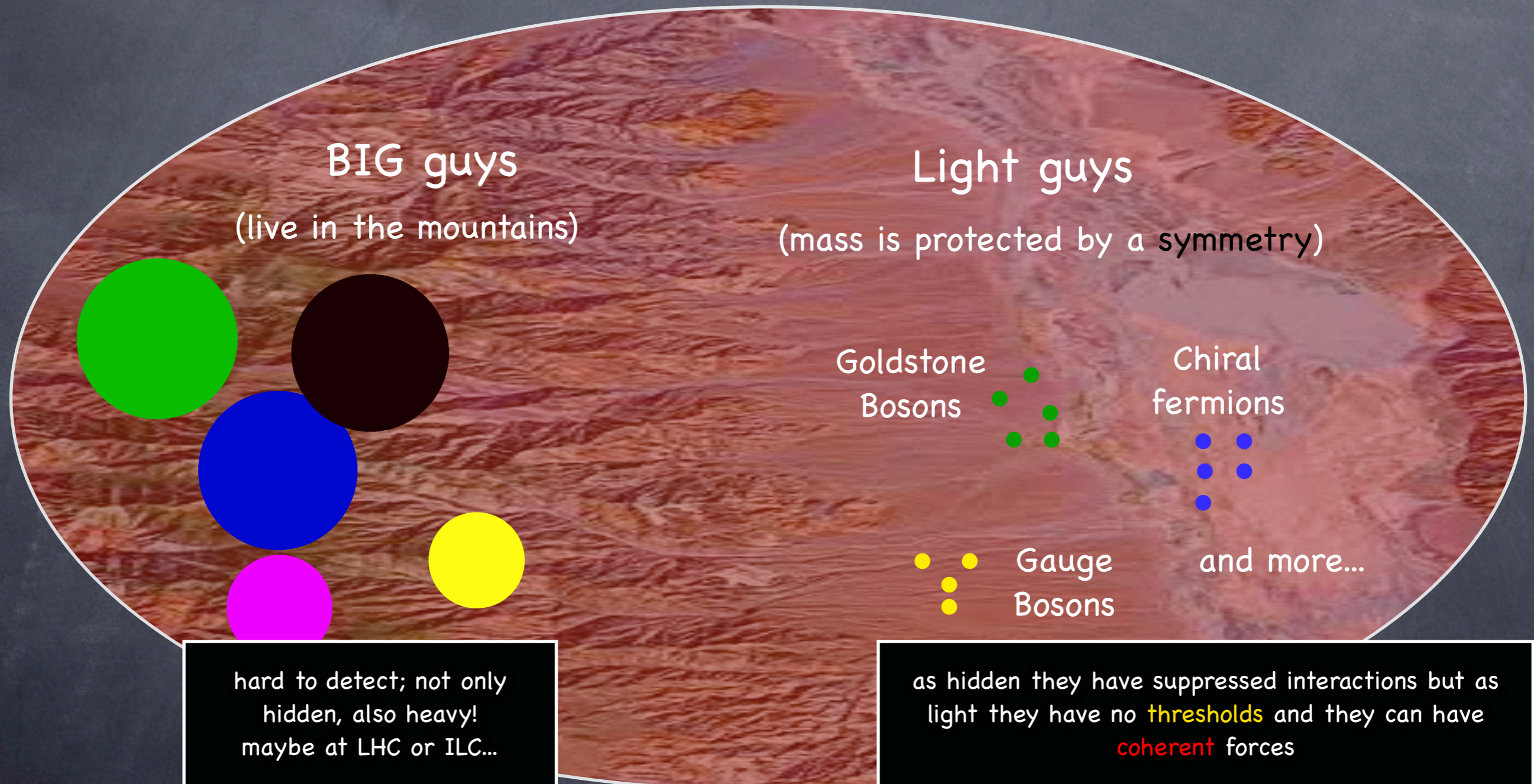
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# Axion-like-Particles and Axions

**Axions** are GB of a color anomalous U(1)  $\longrightarrow \frac{1}{4f_a} \text{Tr}\{G_{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu} a\}$

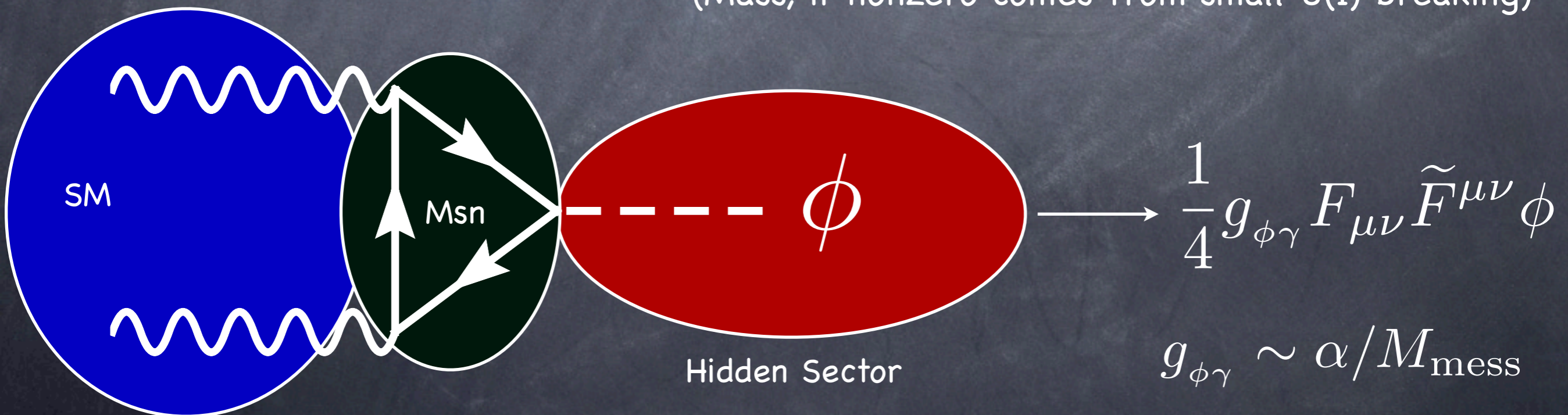
The color anomalous term creates a potential  
with CP conserving minimum  $\longrightarrow$   
which gives the axion a mass

**Solution to Strong CP**

$$m_a \simeq \frac{m_\pi f_\pi}{f_a} \simeq 0.6 \text{ meV} \left( \frac{10^{-10} \text{ GeV}^{-1}}{f_a} \right)$$

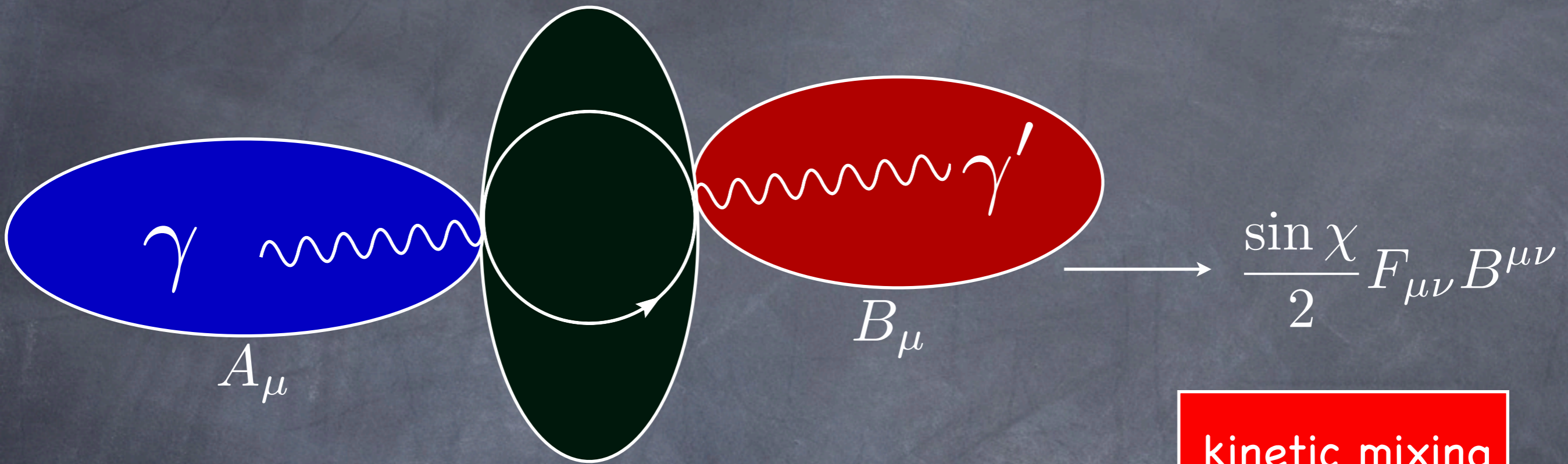
**Axion-like-particles** have electromagnetic anomaly but no color anomaly,

(Mass, if nonzero comes from small U(1) breaking)



# Hidden Photons

$$U(1)_{\text{EM}} \times U(1)_{\text{hidden}}$$



kinetic mixing  
with photon

$$\sin \chi = \frac{eg_B}{6\pi^2} \sum_i Q_A Q_B \text{Log} \frac{M_i}{\mu}$$

Loop suppression but NO mass suppression, just a log

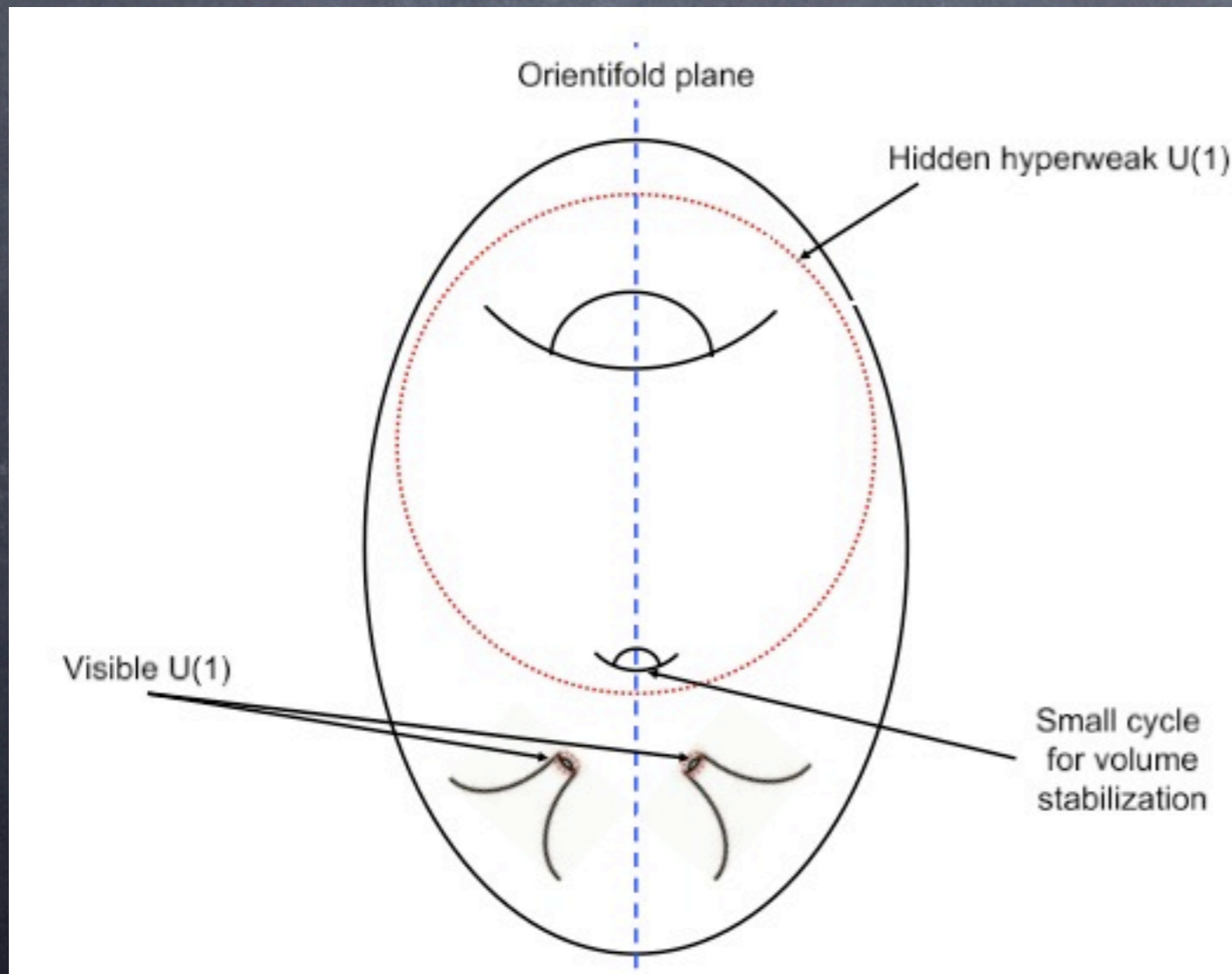
small values can come from mass degeneracy of particles with opposite charges (GUT...)

SUSY, String theory ...

$$\sin \chi = 10^{-4, -16}$$

tiny kinetic mixings can arise from **small coupling constants**  
 (Hidden U(1)'s from cycles with **LARGE volume**  $\mathcal{V}_q$ )

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Small masses also likely

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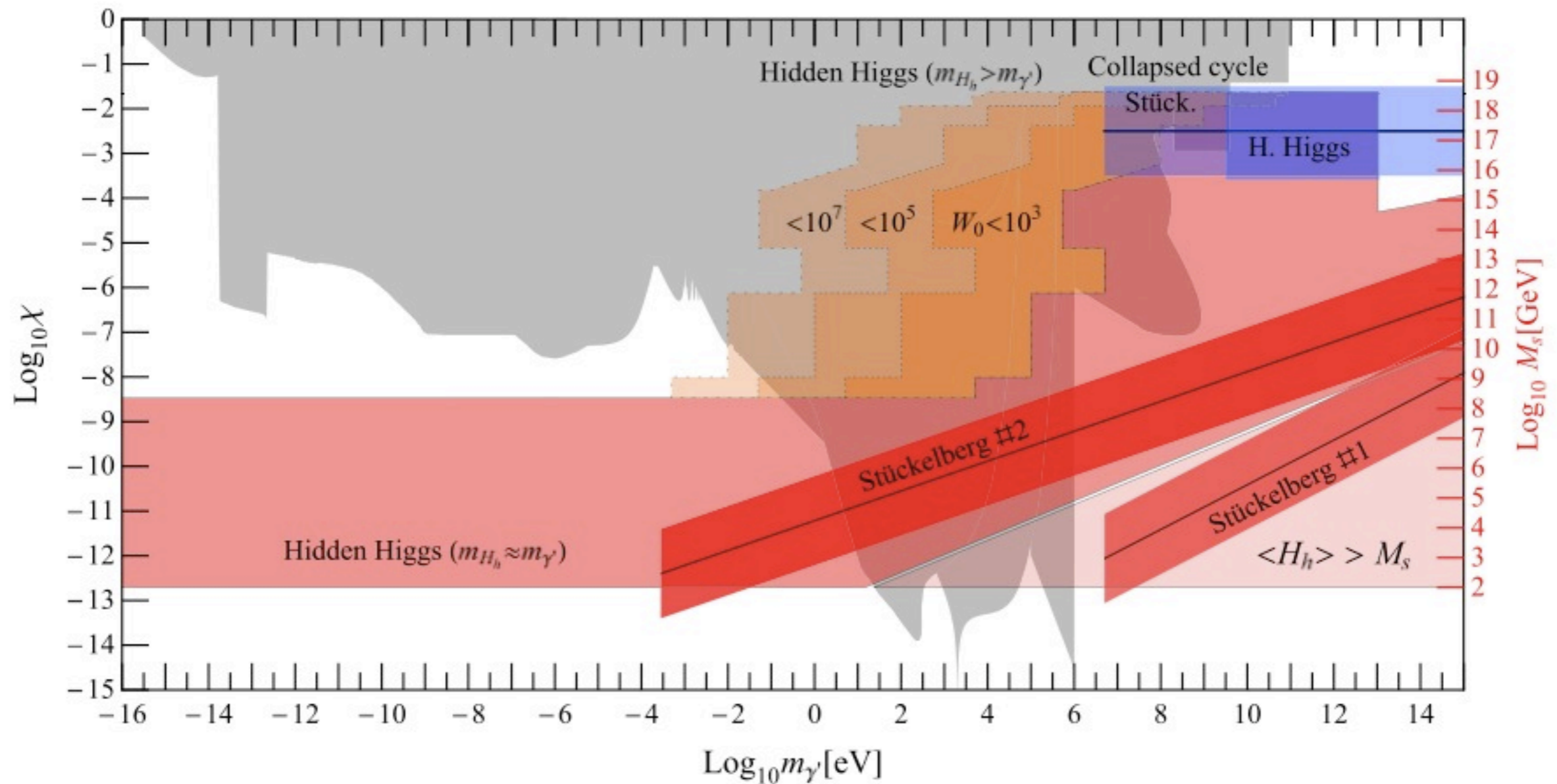
Stueckelberg #2

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Hidden Higgs

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    - \* CMB physics
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  - \* **BUT** sometimes can explain some anomalies (**and there are some ...**)
- It might be very difficult to confirm a WISP this way  
(For that we need **laboratory experiments!**)

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- Main energy losses are:
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  - Neutrinos from the core

... WISPs ??



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Standard Physics (+ WISPs)  
(with many details...)  
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simulated

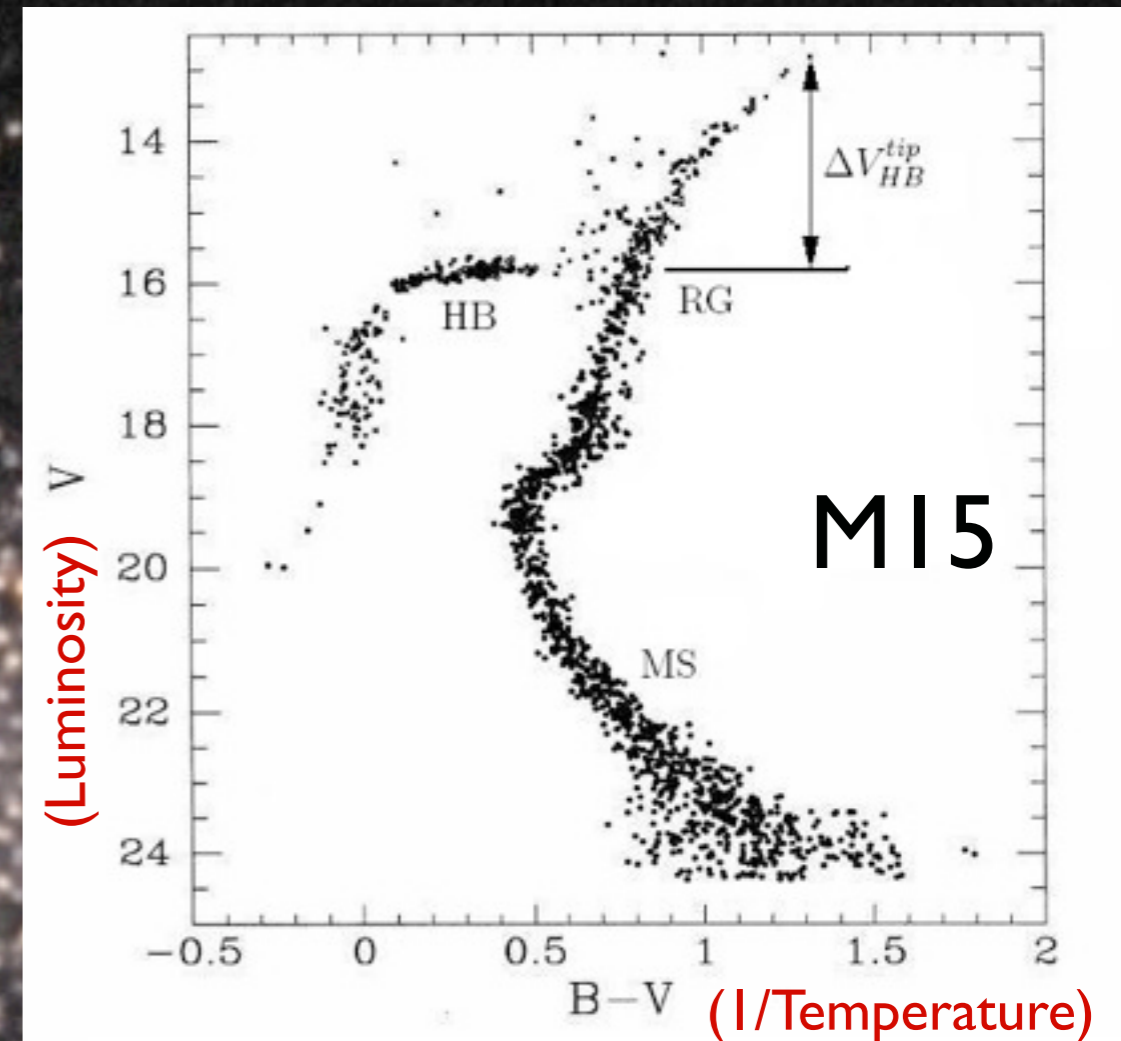


And compared with  
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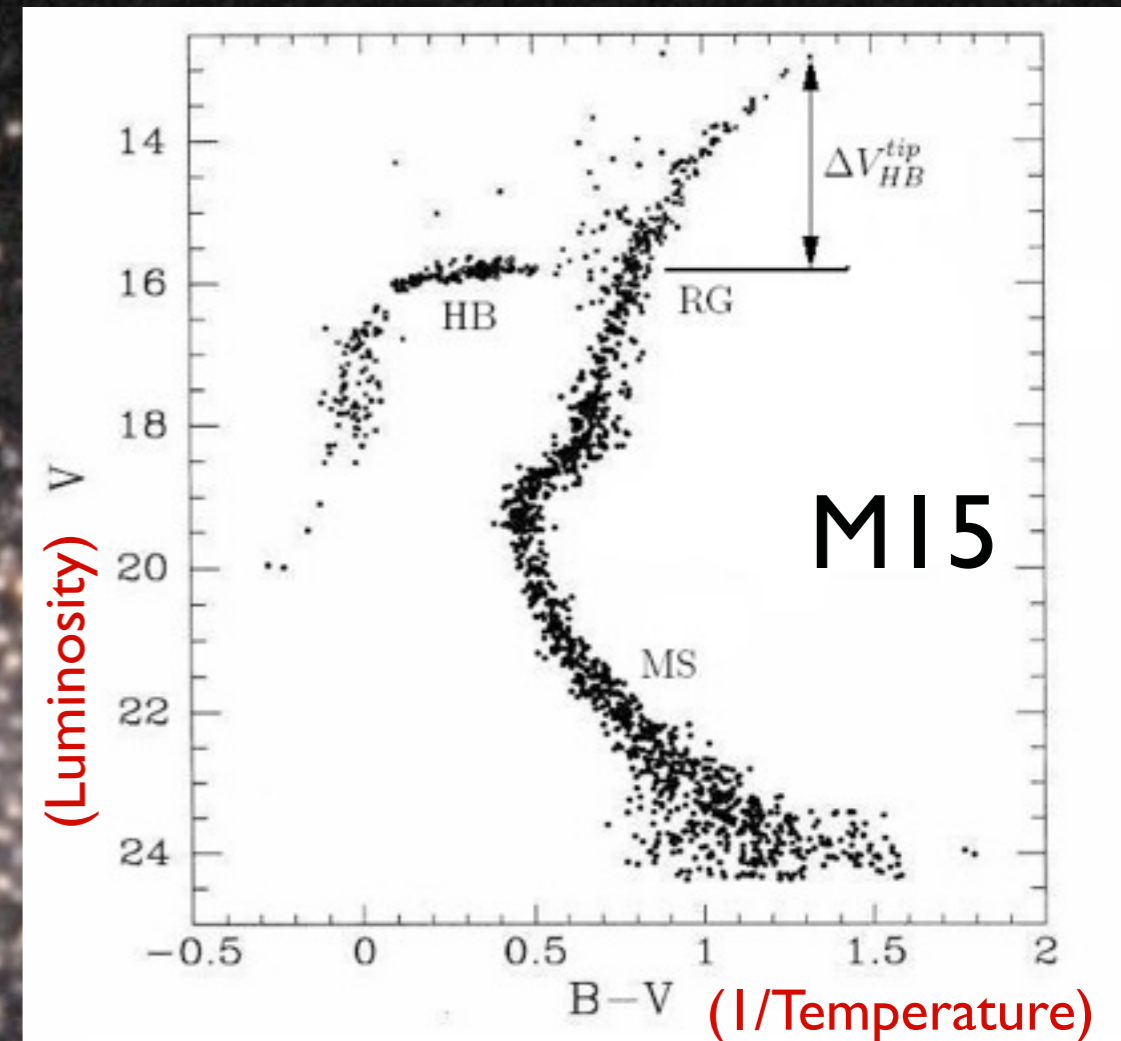
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More observations are now available and much better numerical simulations are possible  
(Project in collaboration with A. Weiss in MPA)

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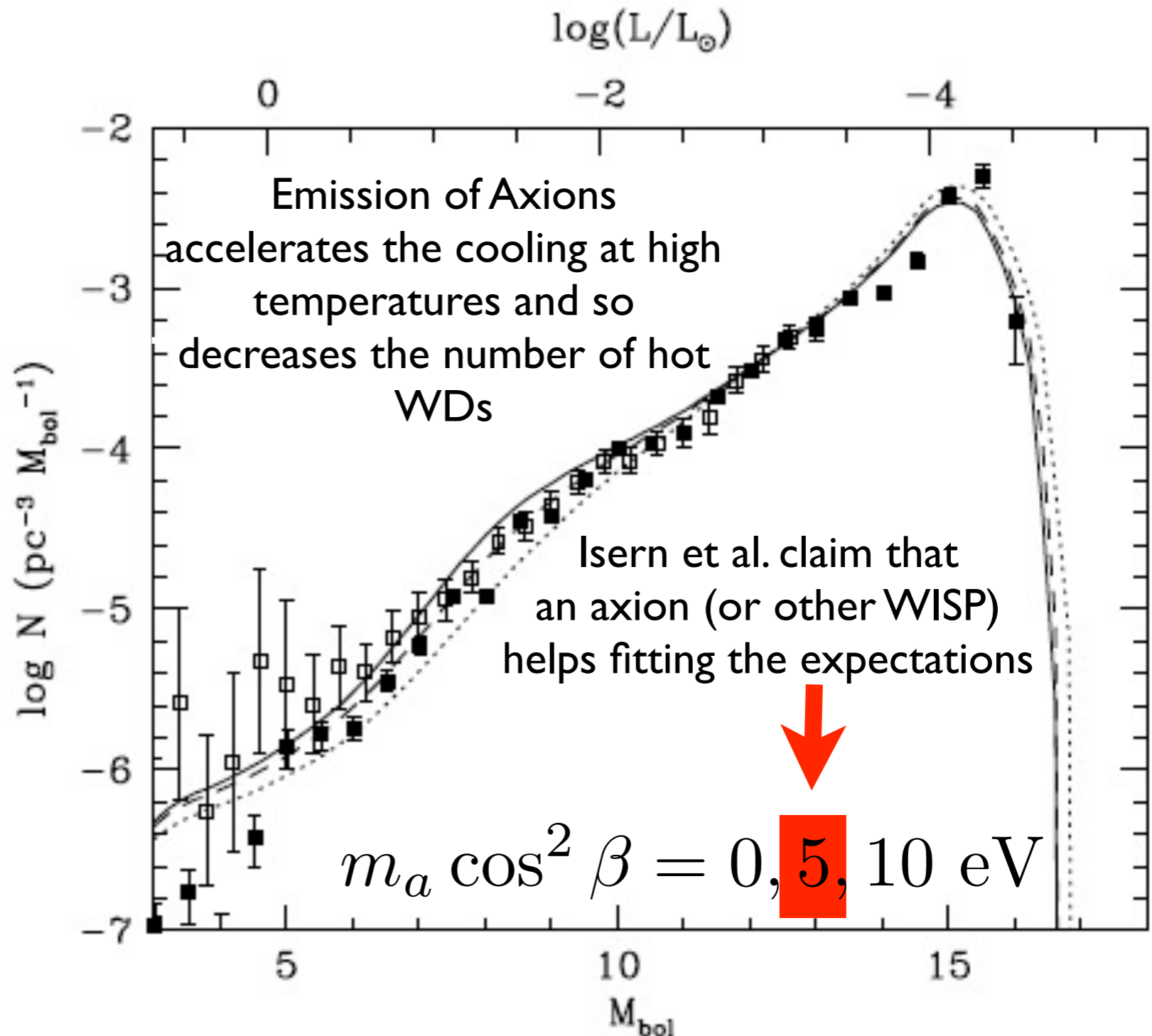
# White Dwarf Luminosity Function



Raffelt (1986), Isern (2008)

Probes the axion  
electron coupling

$$\frac{g_{aee}^2}{4\pi} = 2.8 \times 10^{-11} m_a [\text{eV}] \cos^2 \beta$$



# Lifetime of the Sun (MS)



Radiological dating of short lived isotopes implies

$$t_{\odot} \sim 5 \cdot 10^9 \text{ years}$$

Solar Models are designed to reproduce the currently observed properties (radius and luminosity) at this age but ...

No solar model can be built with

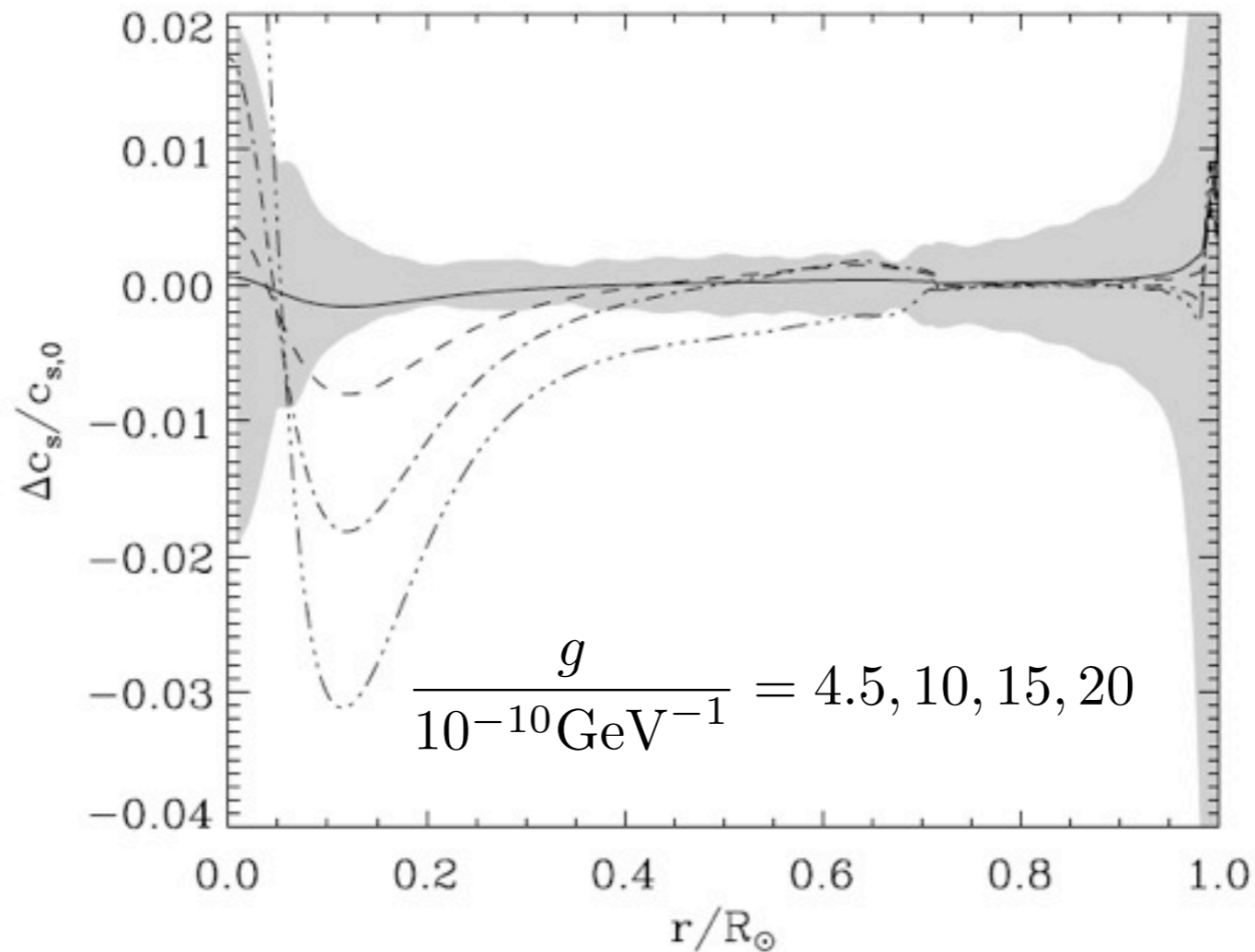
$$\mathcal{L}_x > \mathcal{L}_{std} \quad g_{a\gamma\gamma} > 3 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$

G. G. Raffelt and D. S. P. Dearborn, Phys. Rev. D36, 2211 (1987).



# Solar Helioseismology

Probes axions



Solar models with axion losses are consistent with sound profiles for  $g < 0.5 \sim 1 \times 10^{-9} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$

This corresponds to  $\mathcal{L}_a \simeq 0.05 \sim 0.2 \mathcal{L}_\odot$

# Solar Neutrino Flux

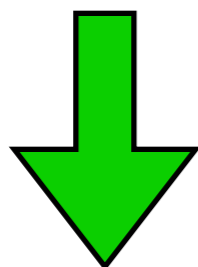
Solar models with axion losses predict higher core temperatures and densities, as a result the neutrino flux is enhanced!

**B flux (most recent data)**

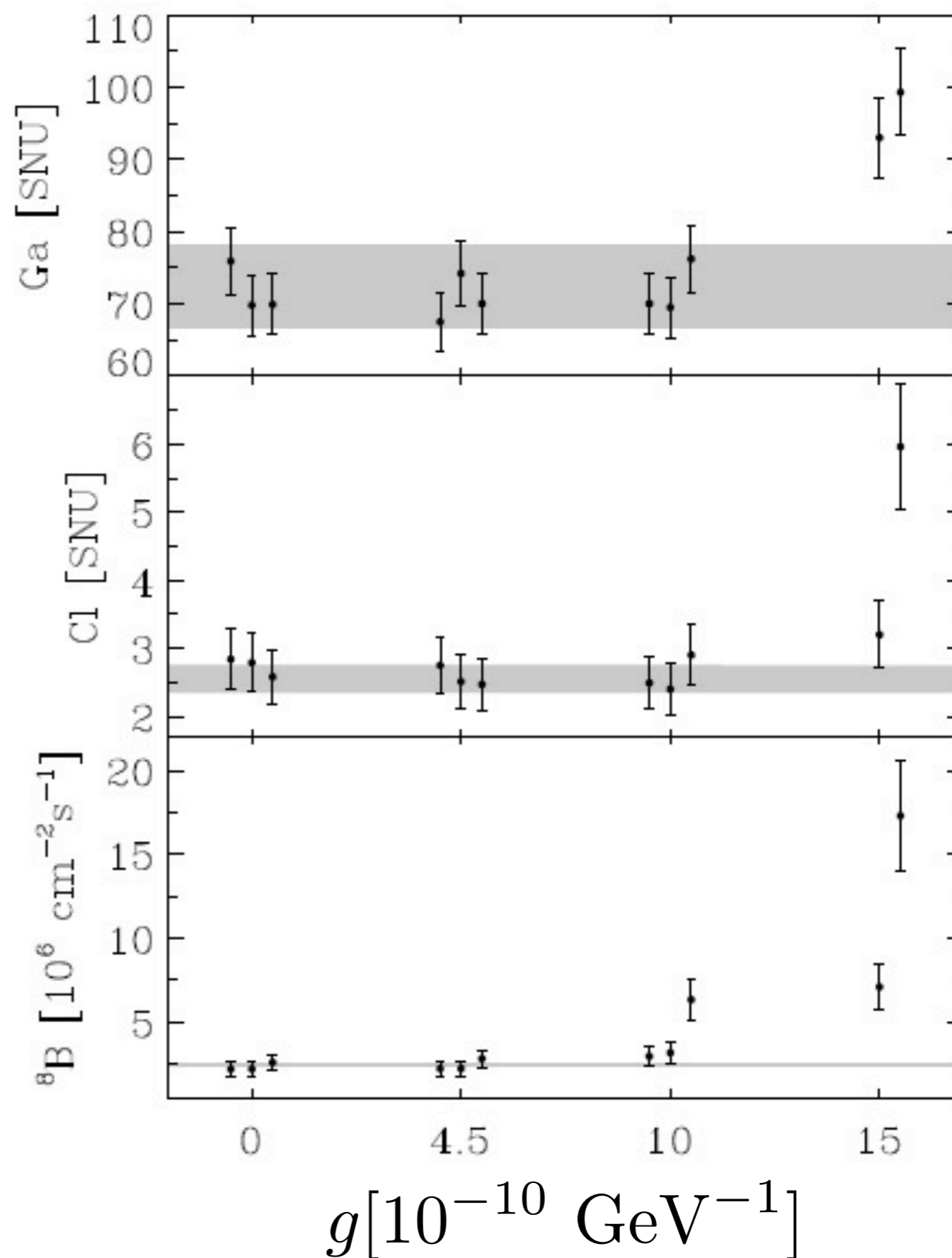
$$4.94 \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1} \pm 8.8\%$$

**SM expectations**

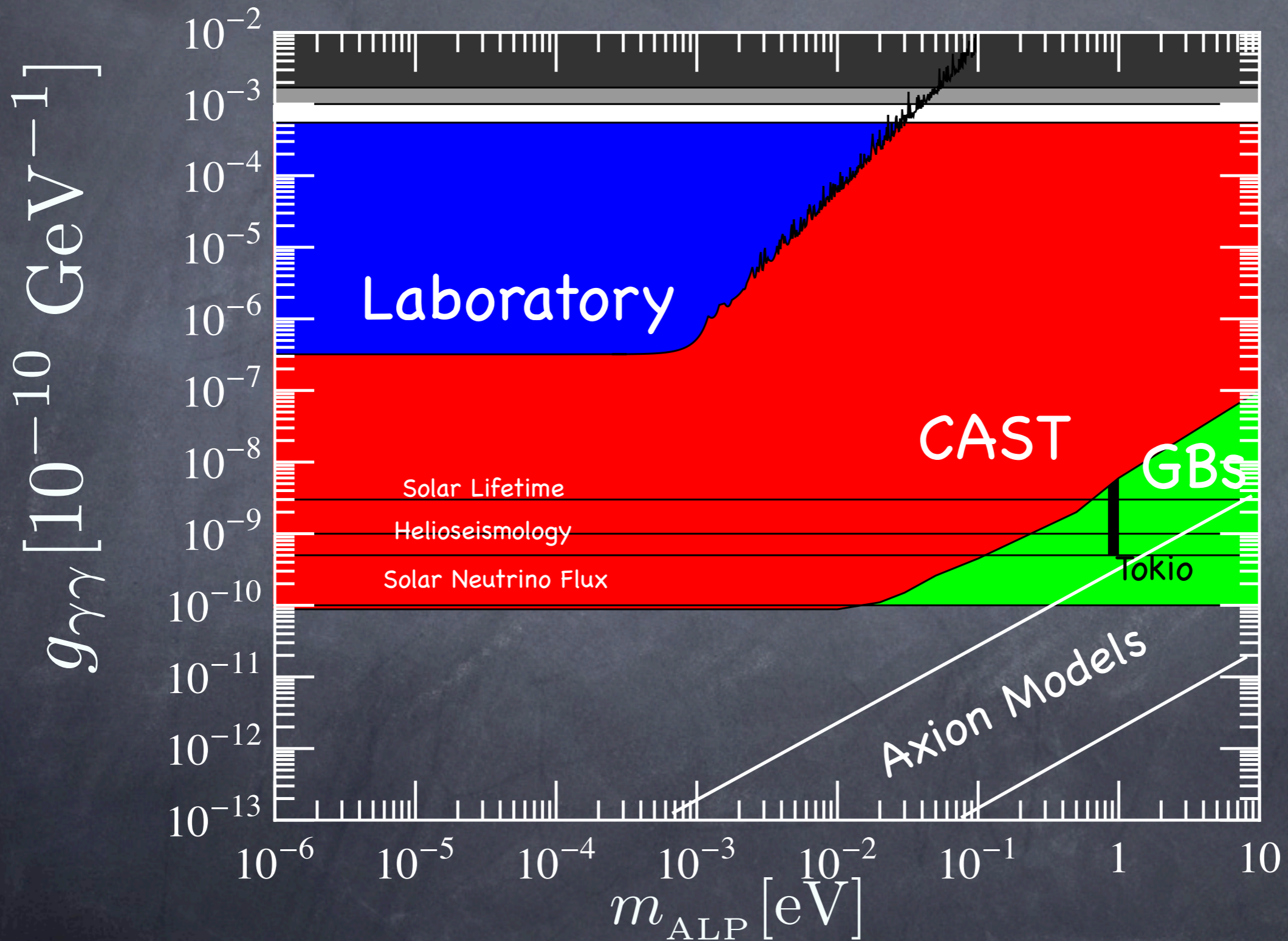
$$4.5 \sim 4.6 \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1} \pm 16\%$$



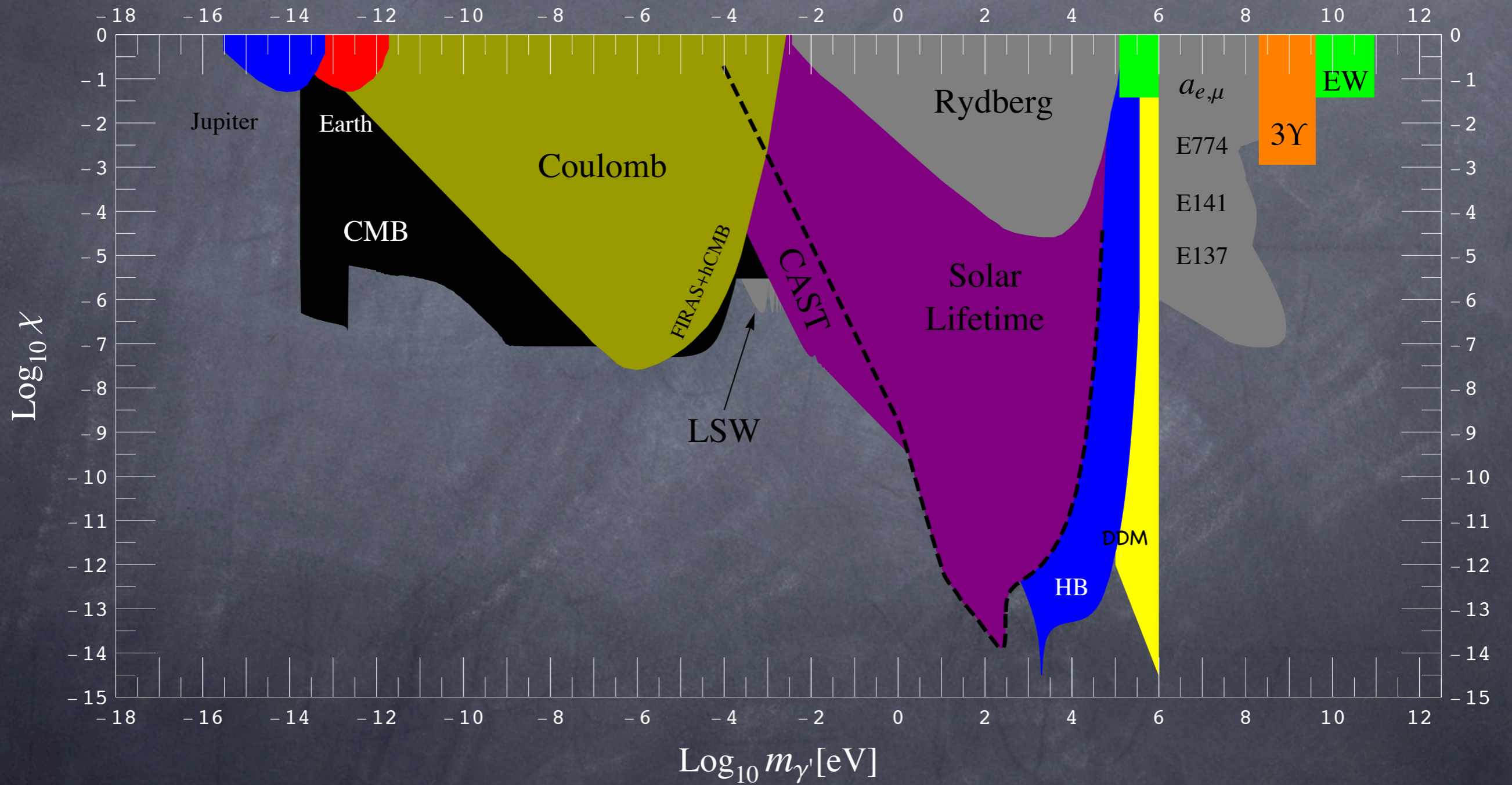
$$g \lesssim 5 \times 10^{-10} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$



# A summary: general ALPS (pseudoscalars coupled to 2 photons)



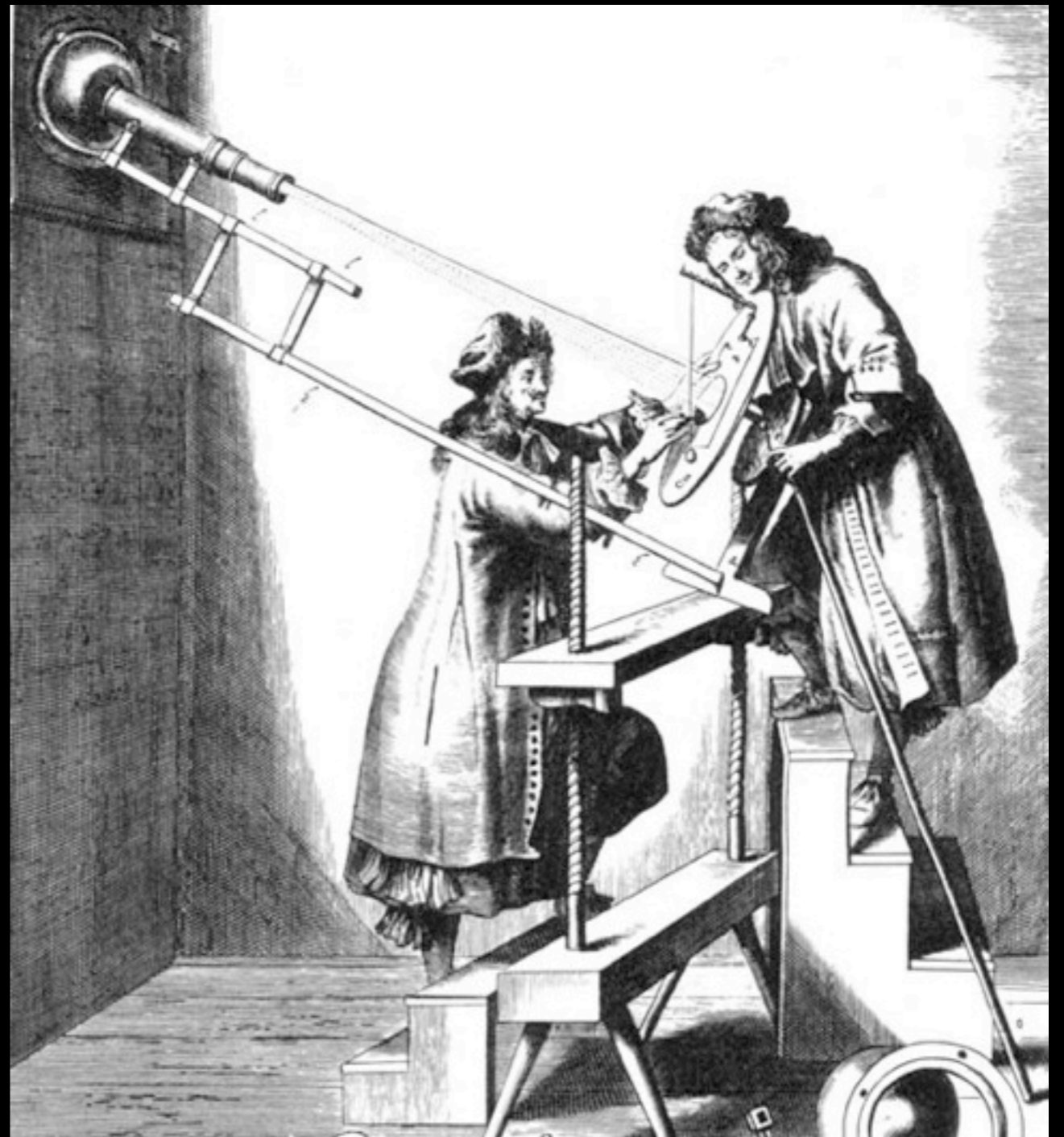
# Hidden Photons



# Helioscopes

Typical bounds from the Sun energy loss cannot compete with Globular Cluster limits.

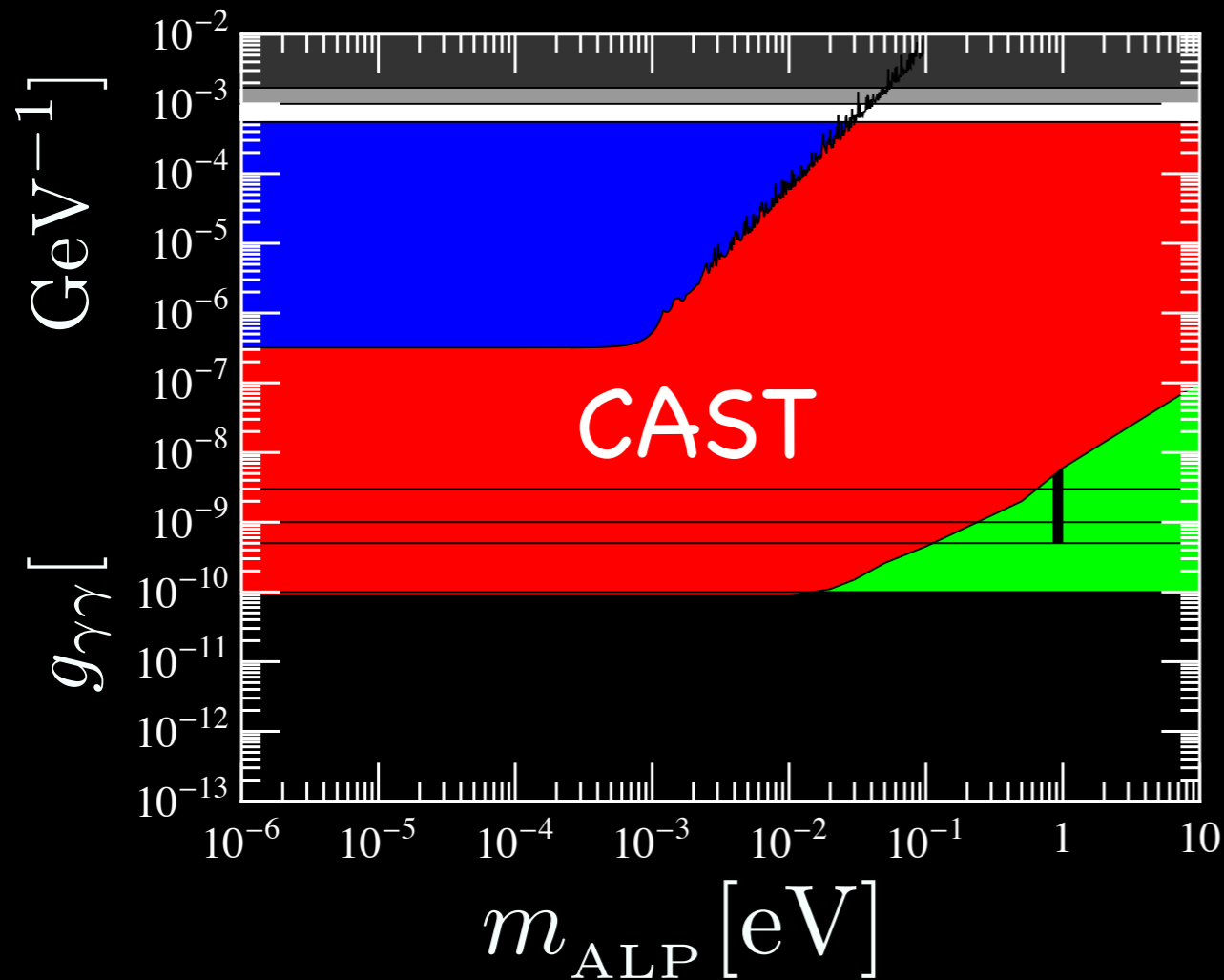
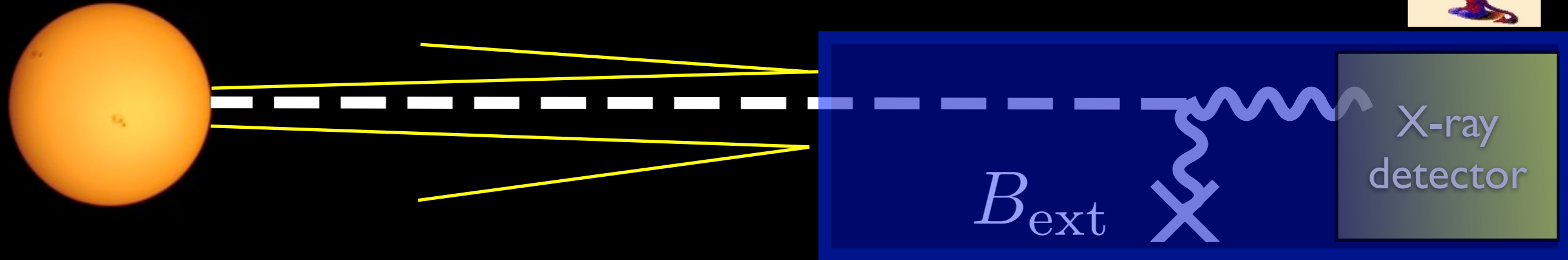
But we can try to observe WISPs from the Sun!



# Searching for Axion-like-Particles at CERN: CAST

CAST, K. Zioutas et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 94, 121301 (2005), hep-ex/0411033.

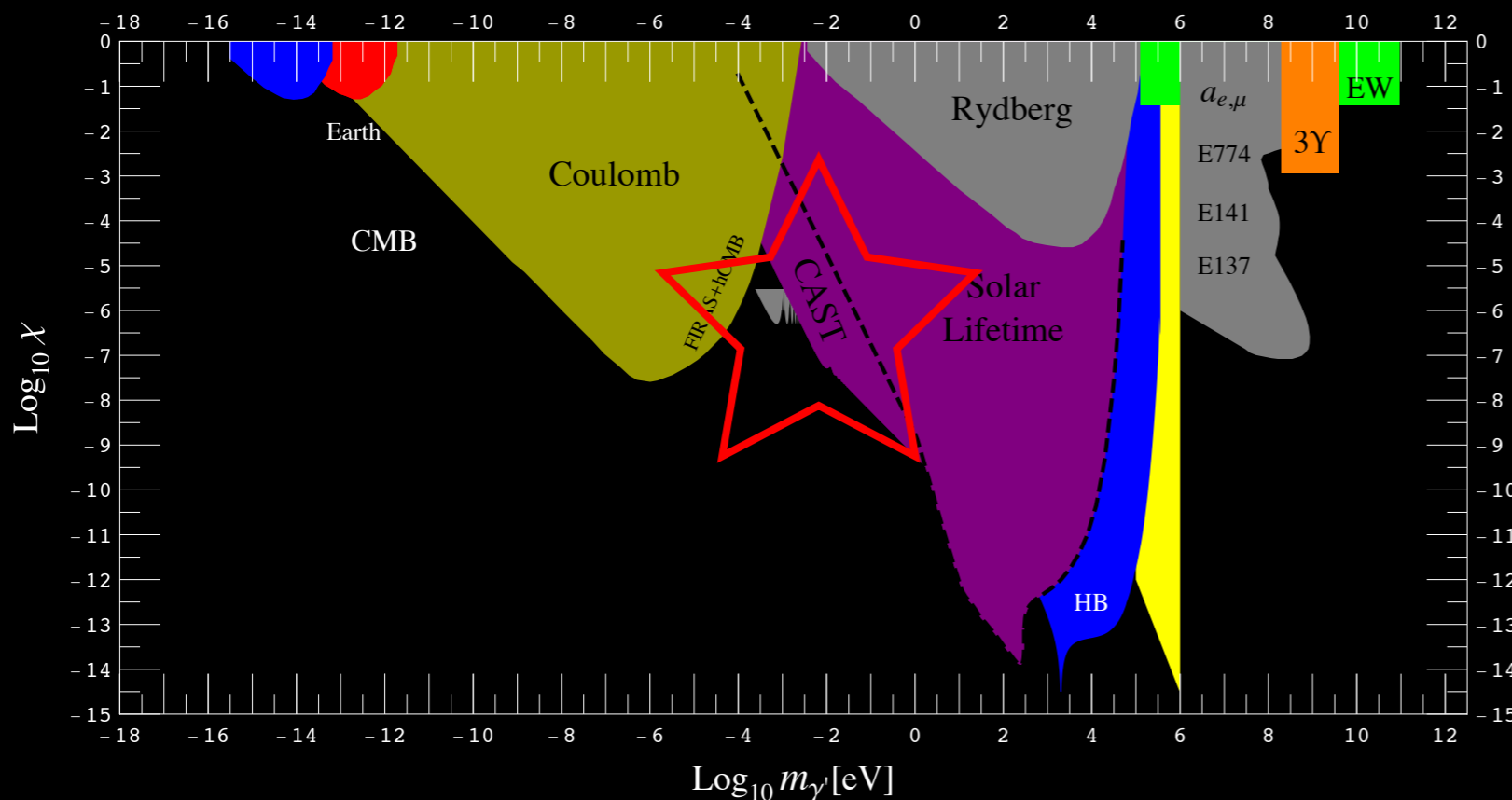
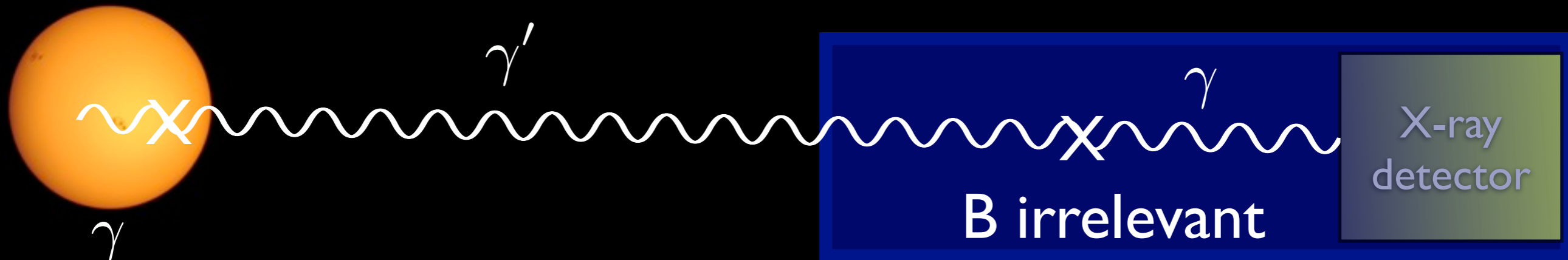
Detect Solar ALPs at earth by means of inverse Primakoff conversion in a strong magnetic field



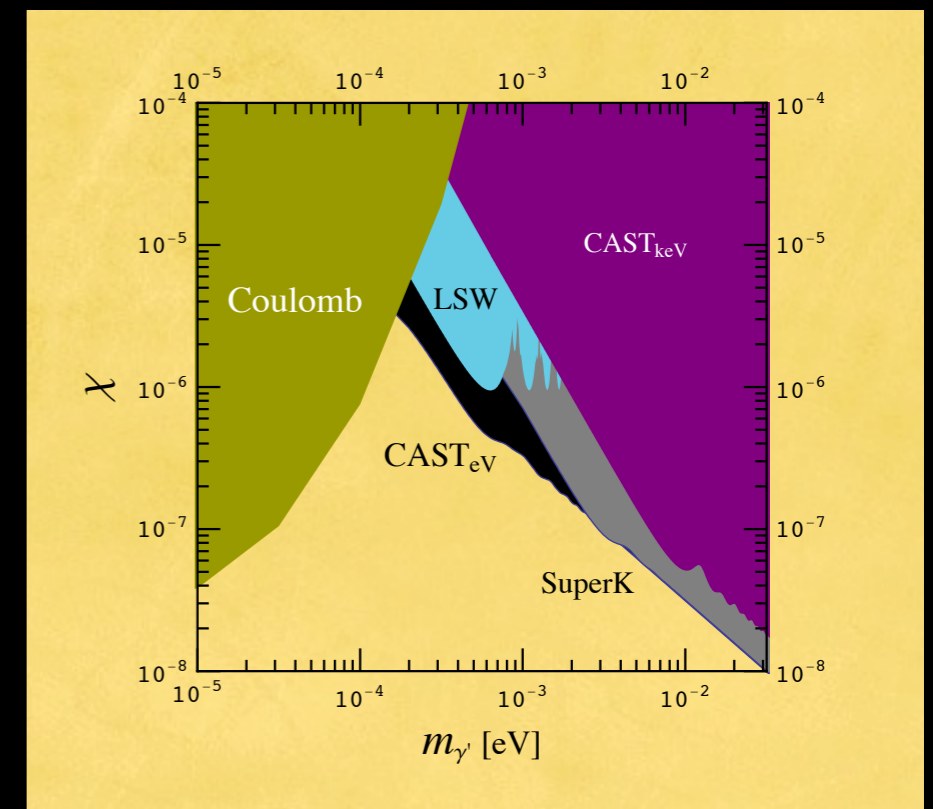
CAST Helioscope, LHC decommissioned magnet



Detect Solar hidden photons at earth by oscillations inside a closed cavity

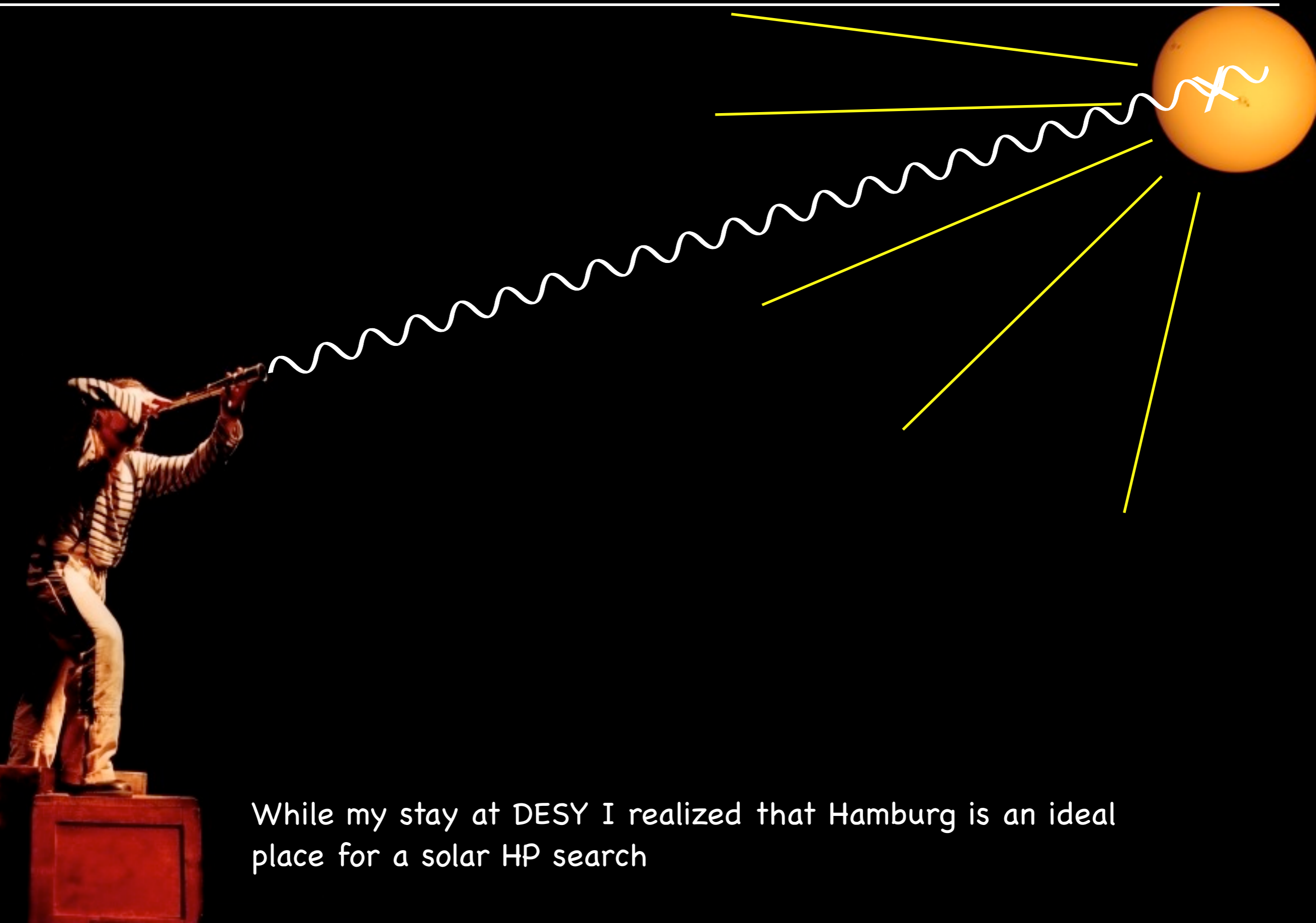


Sensitivities for a low energy (eV) HP search with CAST and SuperKamioKande



# Solar Hidden Photons

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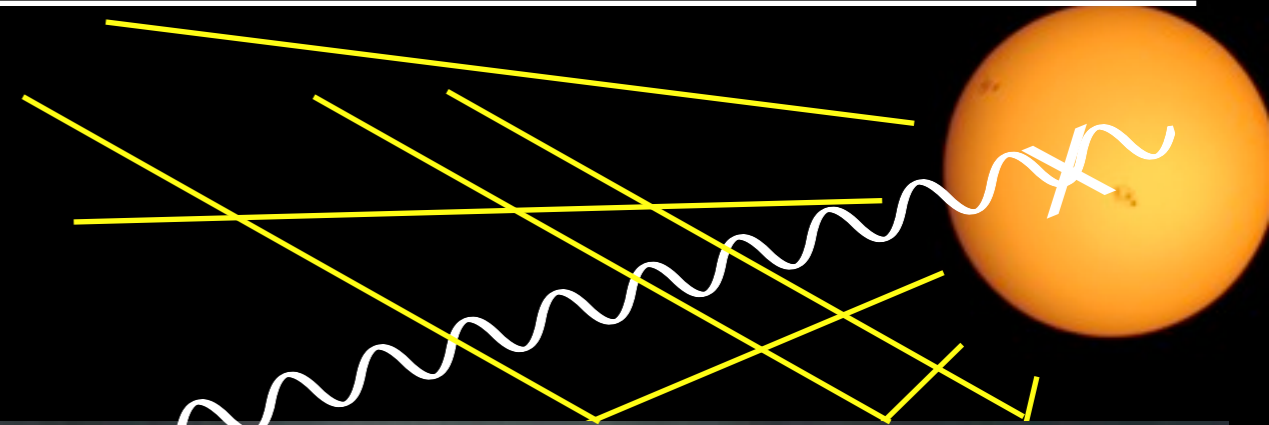
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# Solar Hidden Photons at Hamburg: SHIPS

(Solar Hidden Photon Search)

A collaboration of the Hamburger Sternwarte and DESY  
G. Wiedemann, A. Ringwald, JR, et al.



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# Photon-WISP oscillations of astronomical or cosmological radiation

Axion-like Particles



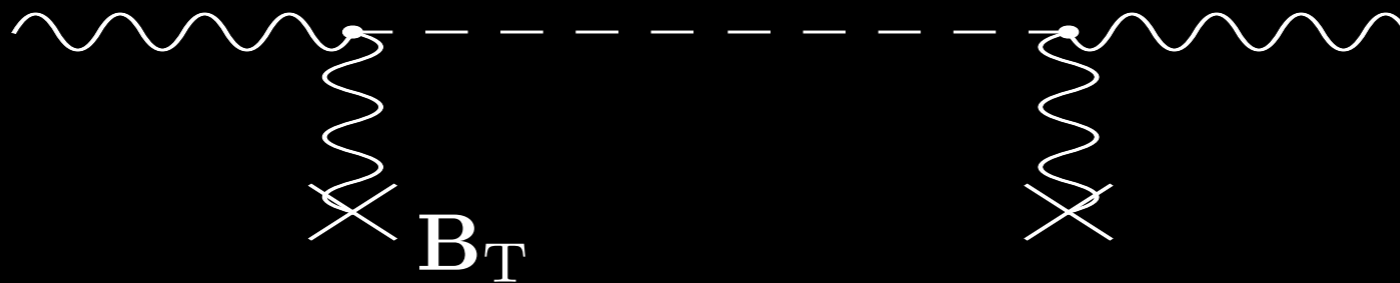
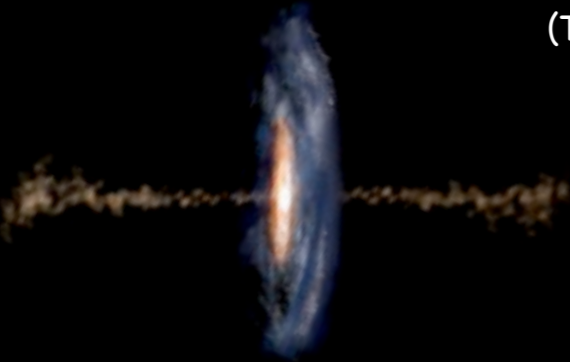
Primordial or galactic magnetic fields

Hidden Photons



Photons can convert into WISPs while propagating through the universe  
this produces **distortions in the expected spectra** and unusual **transparency**

(The conversion Probabilities depend on the photon frequency)

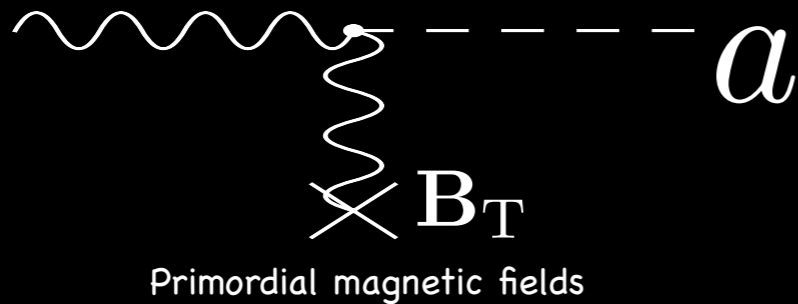


Axion-like-particles with very small mass ( $\ll 10^{-10}$  eV) could be responsible  
of different observed **anomalies** :

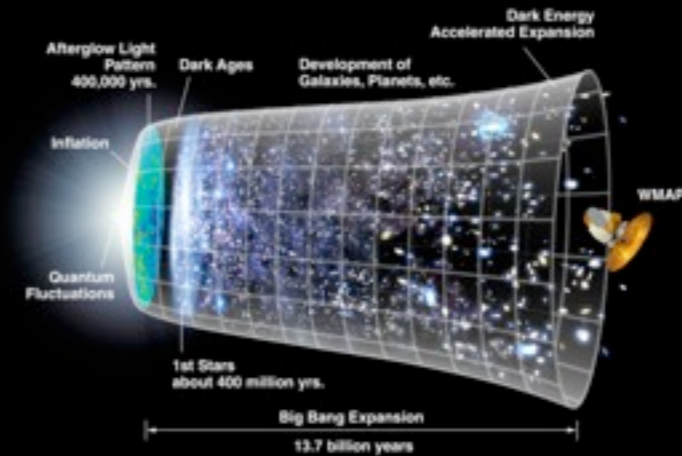
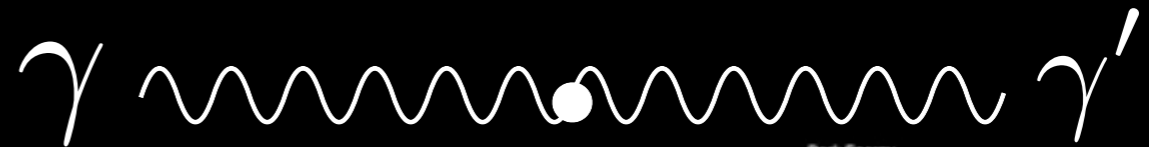
- Anomalous transparency of Gamma Rays (A. De Angelis, O. Mansutti, and M. Roncadelli, Phys. Rev. D76 (2007) 121301)
- Scatter in the Luminosity relations of AGNs (C. Burrage, A.-C. Davis, and D. J. Shaw, Phys. Rev. Lett. 102 (2009) 201101)
- Correlation of arrival directions between BL-Lacs and HECR in HiRes and AGASA (M. Fairbairn, T. Rashba, and S. Troitsky, arXiv:0901.4085 [astro-ph.HE].)
- Polarization of Quasars (A. Payez, J. R. Cudell, and D. Hutsemekers, AIP Conf. Proc. 1038 (2008) 211-219)

# Photon-WISP oscillations: creation of a Hidden CMB

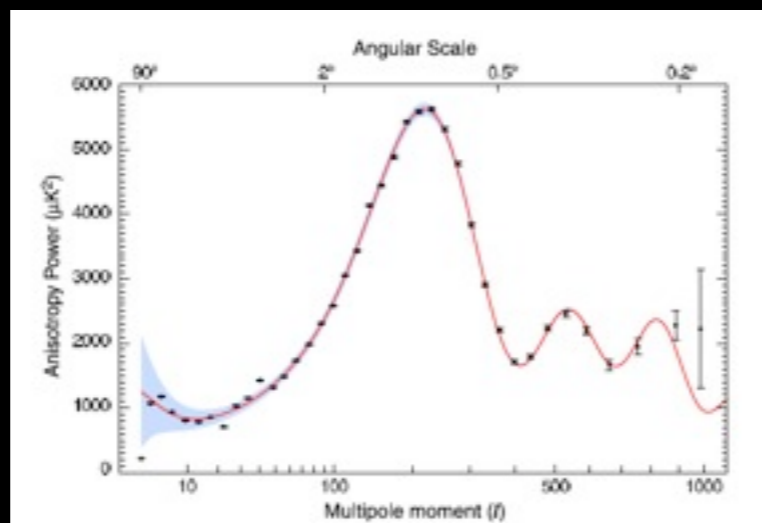
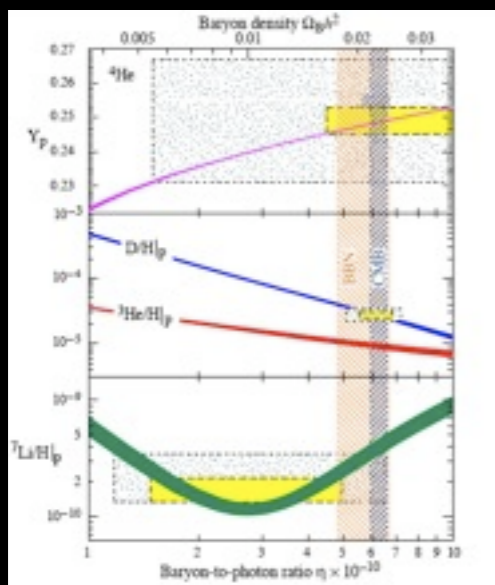
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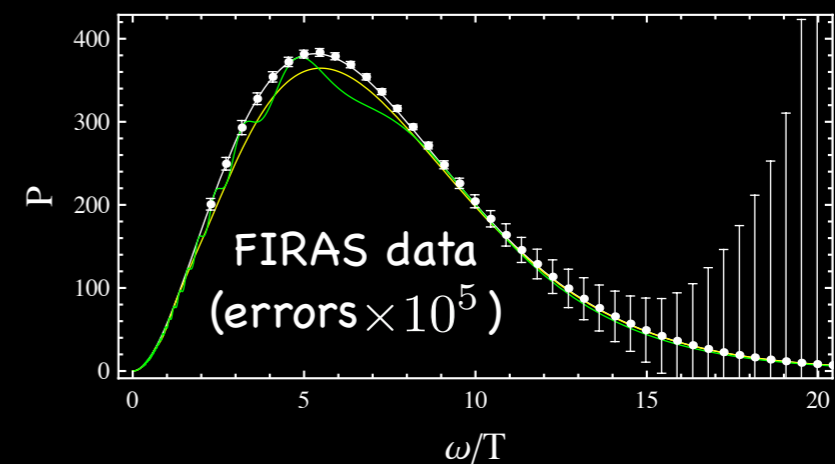
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The Hidden WISP background behaves as relativistic degrees of freedom (as standard neutrinos) contributing to the universe expansion



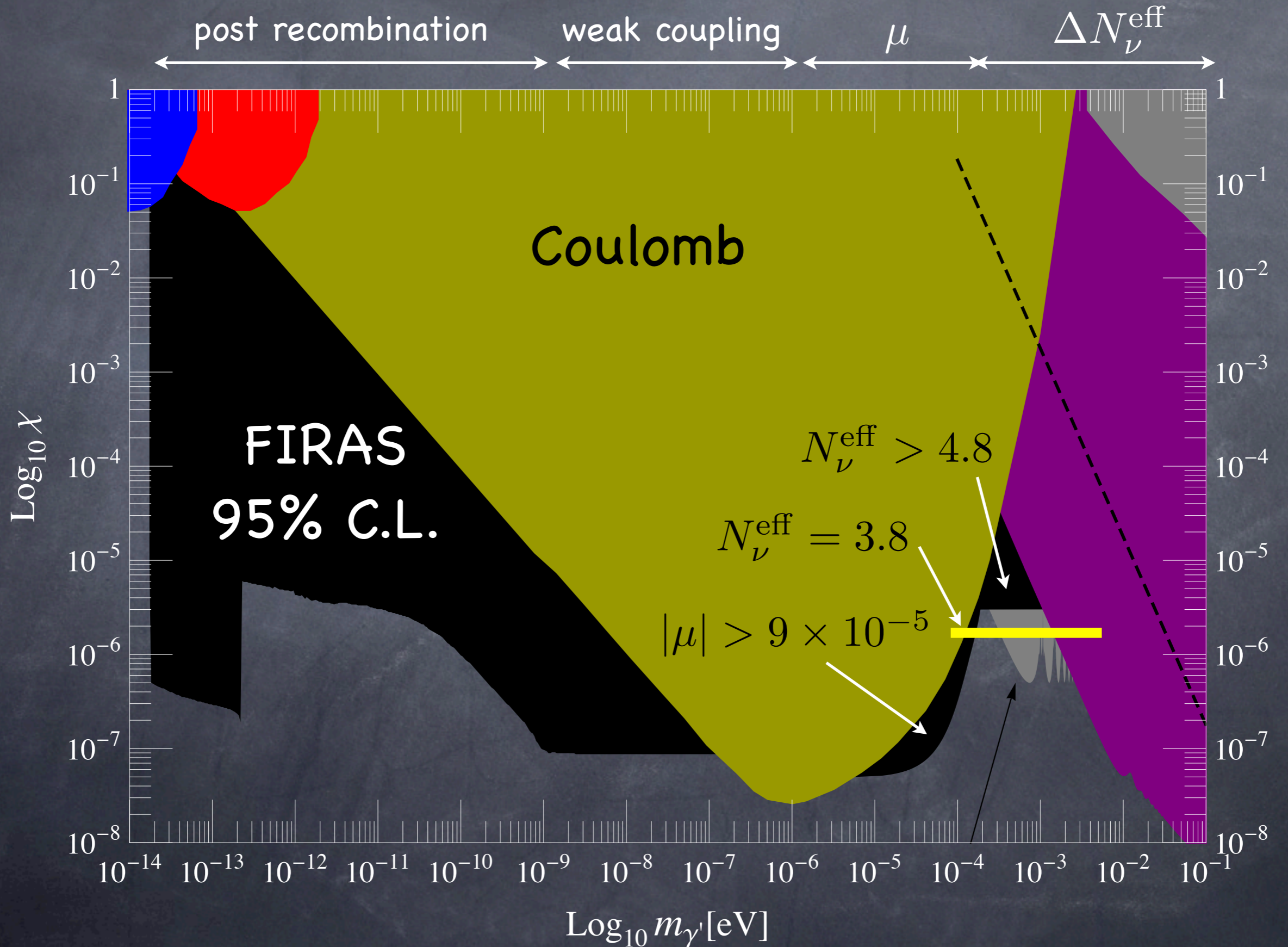
Photon oscillations into WISPs are frequency dependent and they leave their imprint on the CMB spectrum



Both BBN and CMB anisotropies (+LSS data) are sensitive to the number of effective neutrinos  $\rightarrow$  Bound

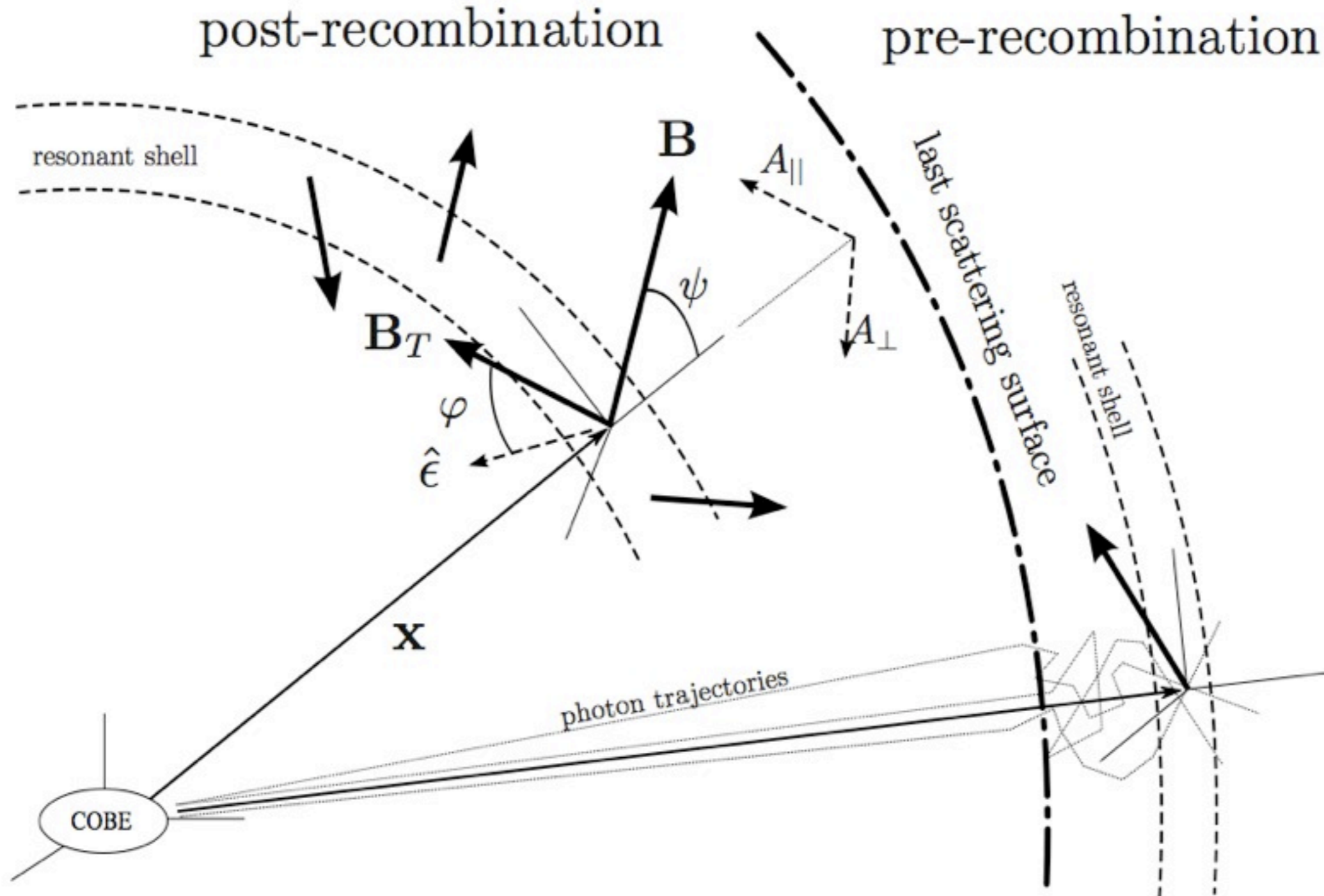
FIRAS on COBE measured the CMB spectrum with  $10^4$  accuracy!

# HIDDEN PHOTONS



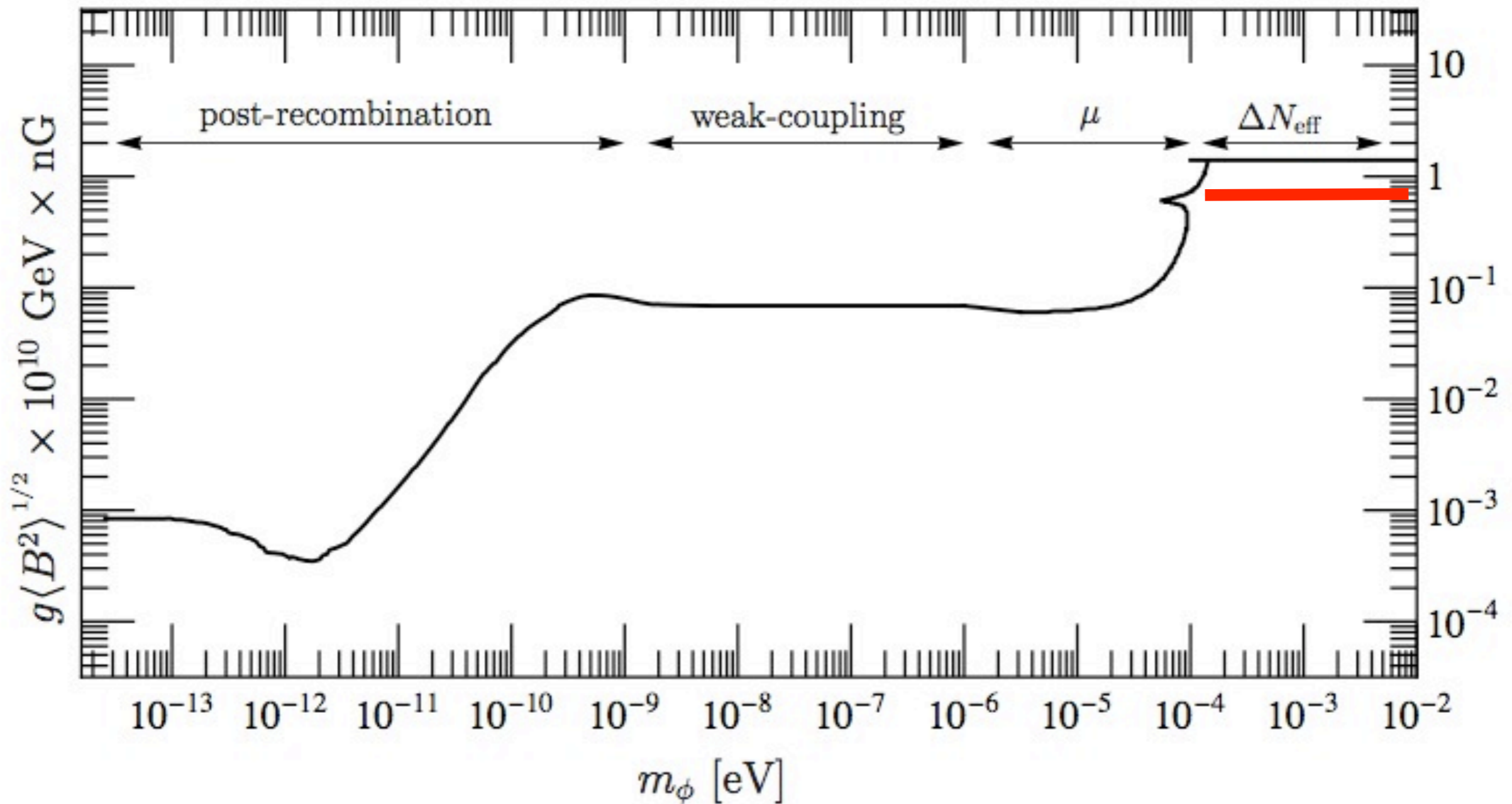
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LASER



Low Background detector



Laser as intense/controlled source: A pioneer experiment BFRT (BNL) in early 90's and 2005 boom: **ALPS (DESY)**, BMV (LNCMP), GammeV (FL), LIPPS (jLab), OSQAR (CERN)

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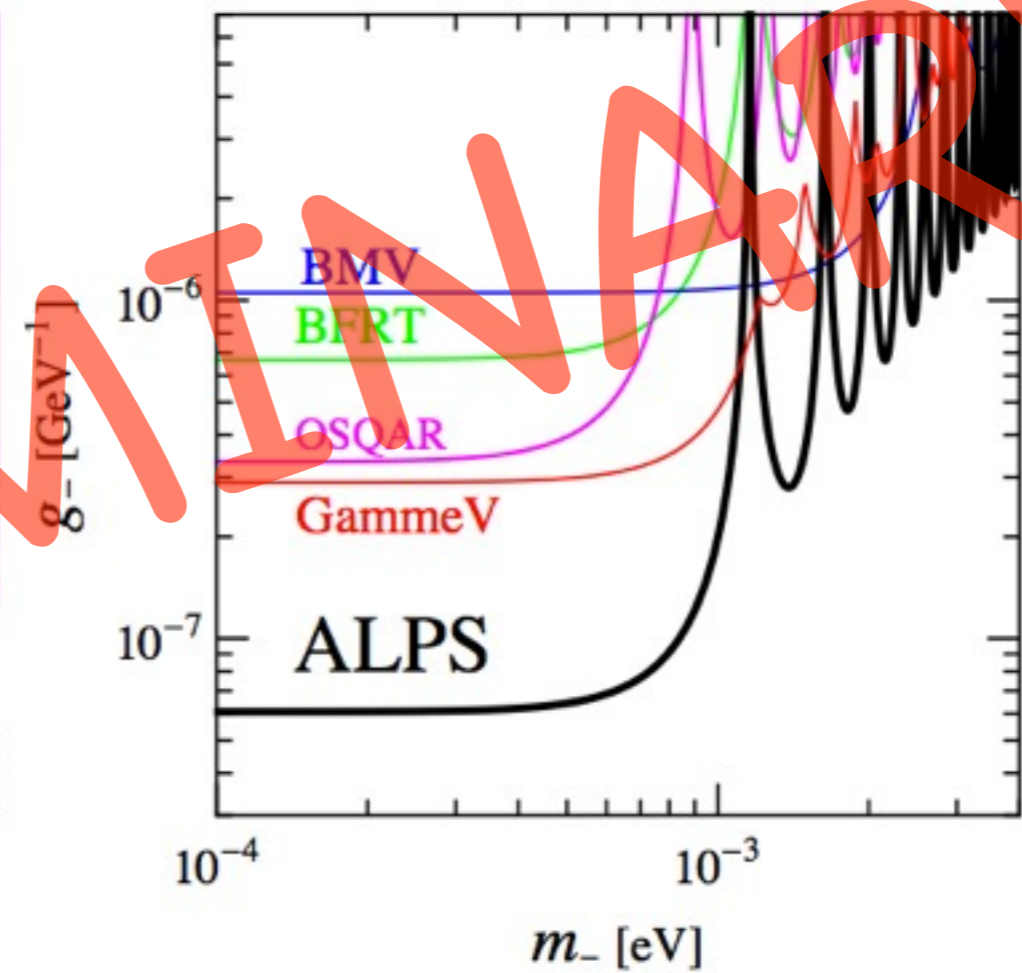
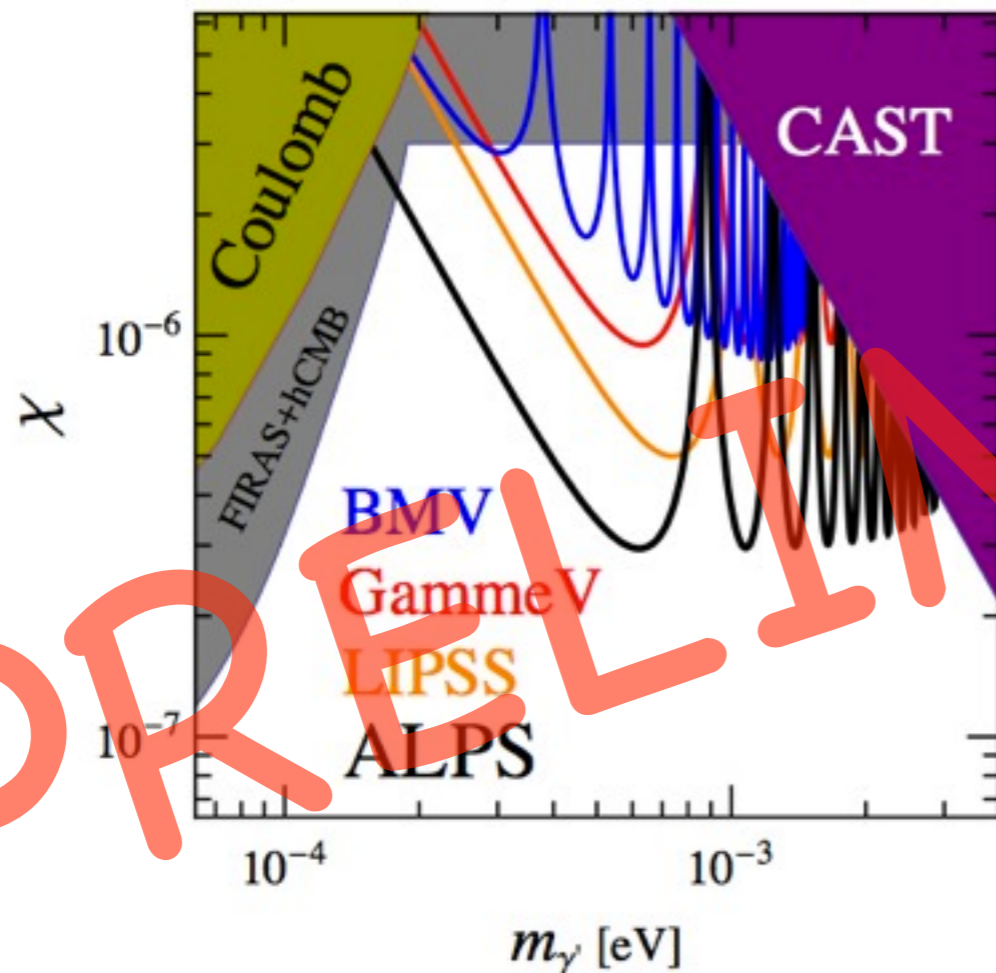


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# Conclusions

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- WISPs and Hidden Sectors
- Strong Bounds from Astrophysics and Cosmology
- (Also some possible Hints !)
- Laboratory searches are underway (Helioscopes, Light through Walls)
- Many more things to say!

THANK YOU!