



Microwave Cavity Axion Dark Matter Search

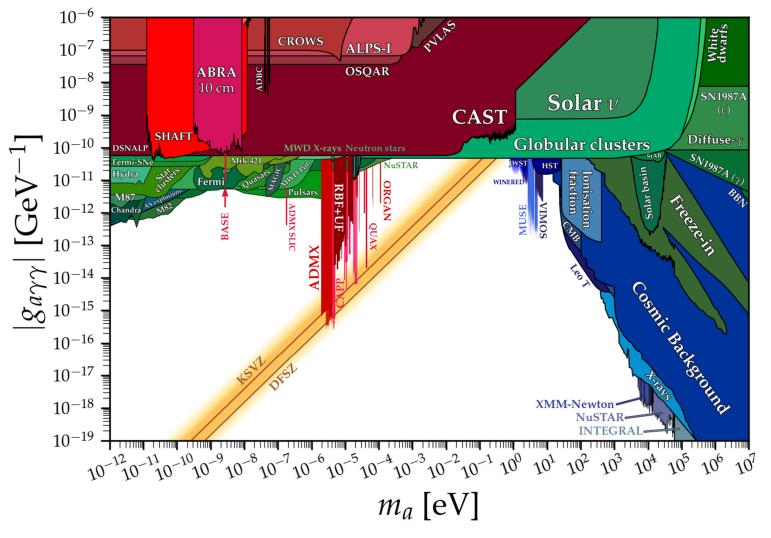
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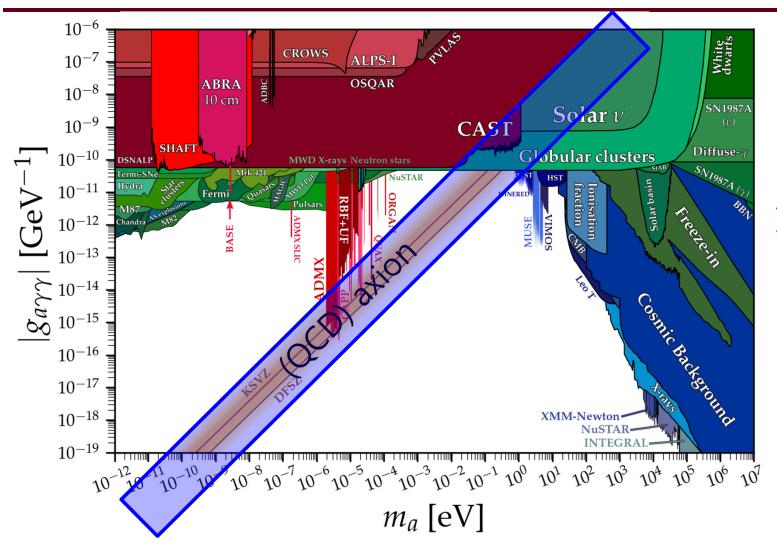




white : unexplored colored : excluded to date



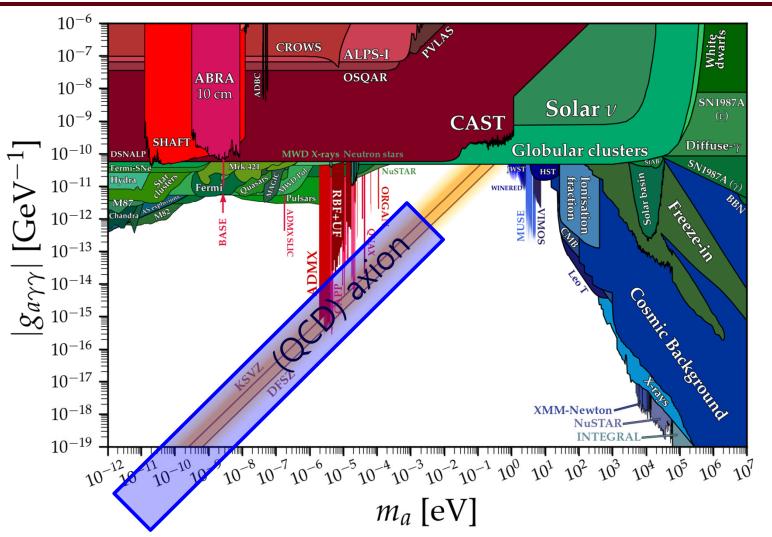




yellow band:
(QCD) axion,
a natural solution
of the strong CP
problem in the
Standard Model
(SM)







Upper limit by SN 1987A

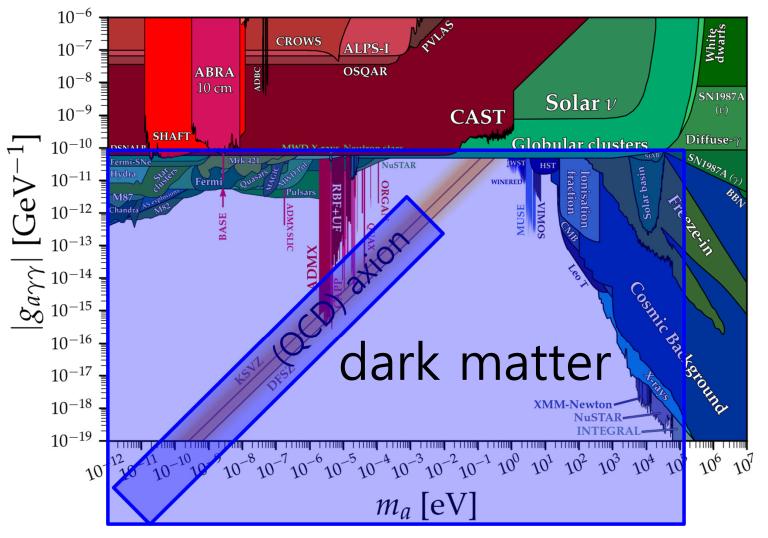
Observation associated with neutrino events is consistent with the expectations assuming that the collapsed supernova core cools solely by neutrino emission.

If the core also cools by the axion emission, the neutrino burst is excessively reduced.

$$m_a < O(\text{meV})$$



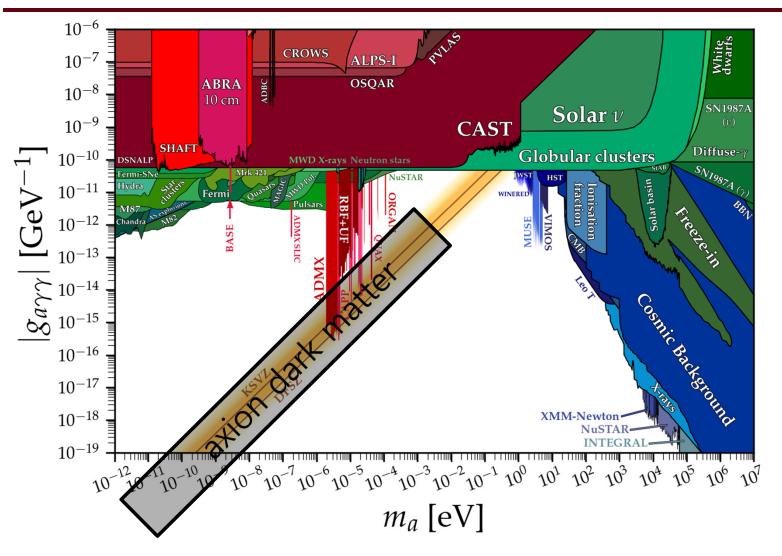




white: unexplored as dark matter for the coupling





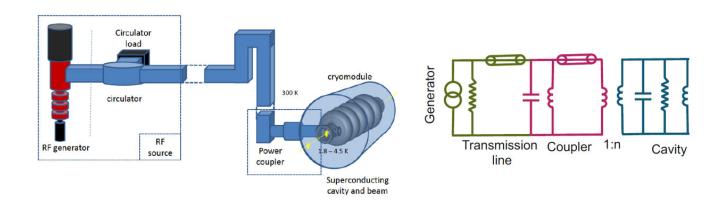


They
(narrow spikes)
are all
employing a
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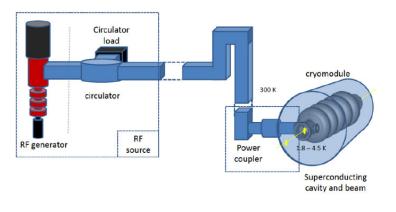
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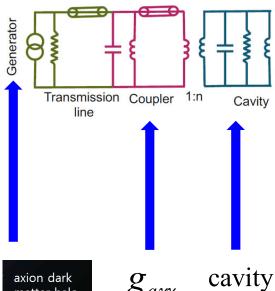
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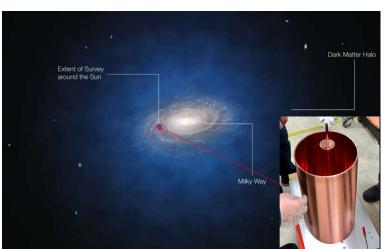
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 $\theta_{\rm SM}$ promoted to a dynamic variable

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•by Peccei and Quinn (PQ), $\frac{g^2}{32\pi^2}\theta_{SM}G_a^{\mu\nu}\tilde{G}_{\mu\nu a} \rightarrow \frac{g^2}{32\pi^2}\left(\theta_{SM} + \frac{a}{f}\right)G_a^{\mu\nu}\tilde{G}_{\mu\nu a}$

 f_a is the axion decay constant $\propto 1/m_a \rightarrow$ the only *unknown*

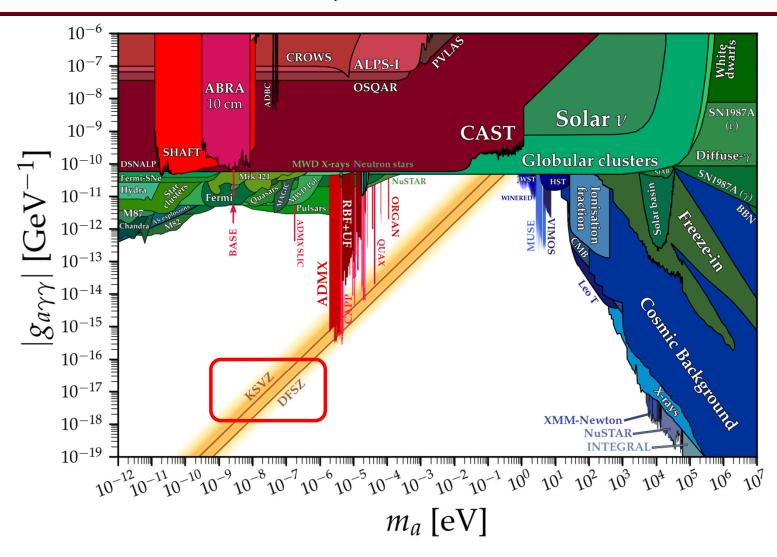
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 $a = \langle a \rangle + a_{phy} \to \frac{g^2}{32\pi^2} \frac{a_{phy}}{f_a} G_a^{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu a}$ which is CP even with **pseudoscalar** axion field

Axion advent as a natural solution of the Strong CP problem in the SM





Axion models: KSVZ vs. DFSZ, invisible axion models

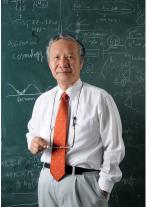






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	beyond the SM	direct couplings
DFSZ; Dine- Fischler-	two Higgs	SM particles
Srednicki- Zhitnitsky	Doublet	
KSVZ; Kim- Shifman- Vainshtein- Zakharov	new heavy quark	new heavy quark



Prof. Jhin E. Kim, inventor of invisible axion

upper line: standard KSVZ axion with a neutral heavy quark 10^{-6} 10^{-7}

 10^{-8}

yellow band:
KSVZ axion depending on the heavy quark charge

Solar ν **CAST** 10^{-16} 10^{-17} 10^{-18} XMM-Newton 10-120-10-10-9 10-8 10-7 10-6 10-5 10-4 10-3 10-2 10-1 100 101 m_a [eV] lower line: DFSZ axion with type-I 2HDM

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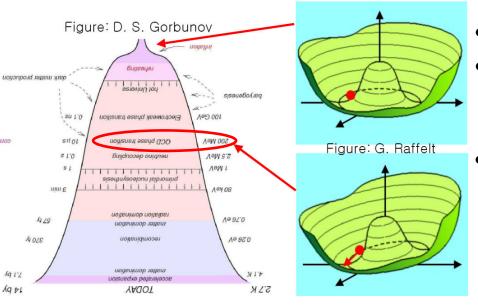
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(SM particles couple to Φ_2 (or H_{II}))





Axion production: Misalignment mechanism

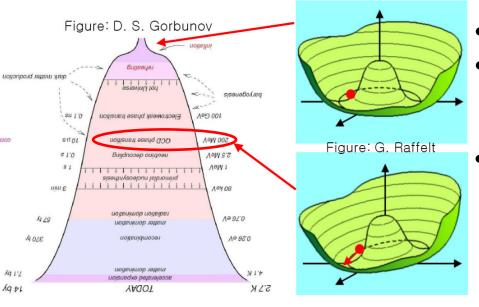


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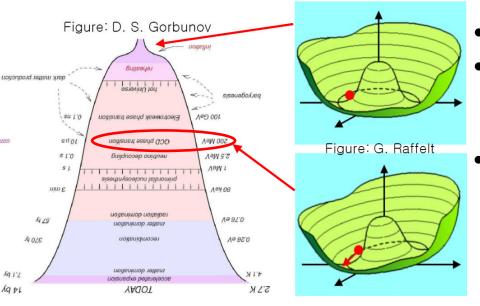
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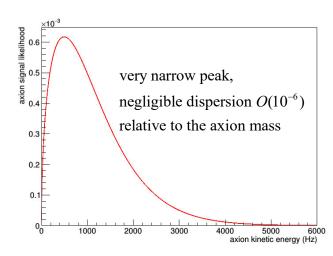




Axion as cold dark matter



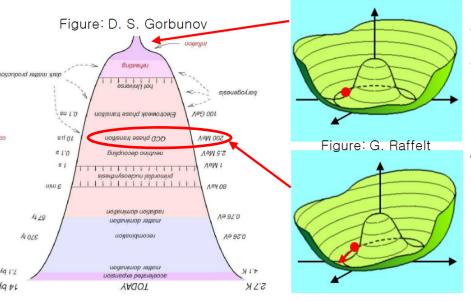
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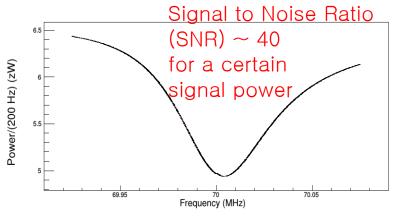




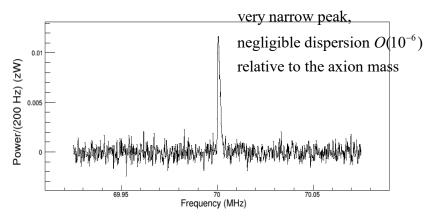
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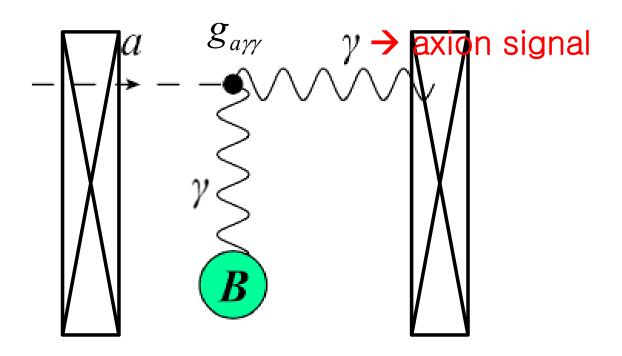


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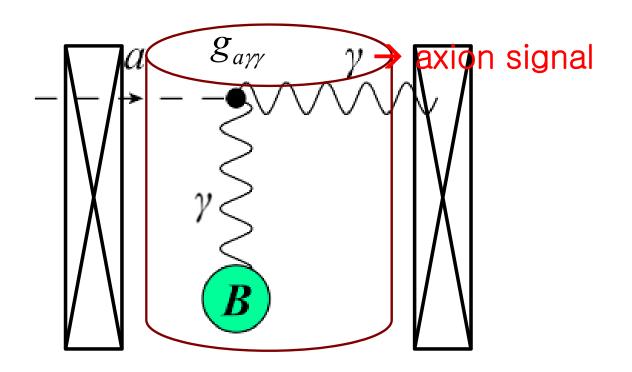




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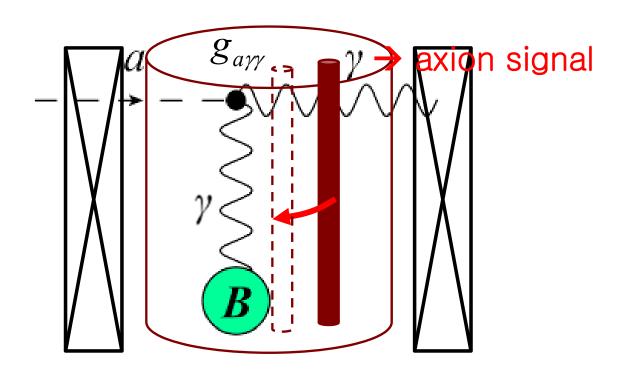


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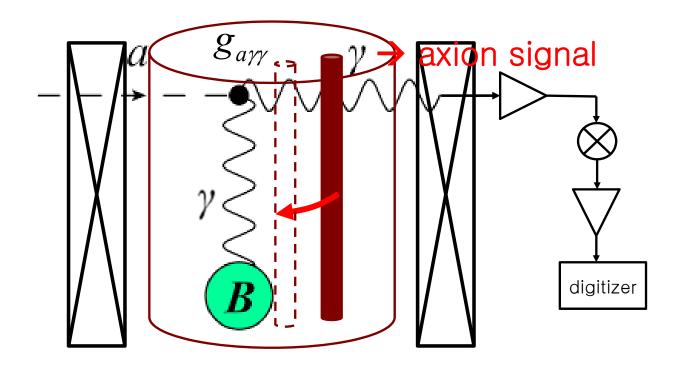


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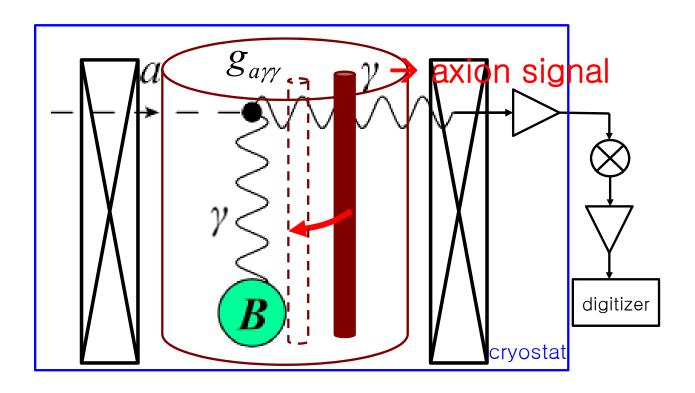


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$$\begin{split} \bullet P_{a}^{a\gamma\gamma} &\propto g_{a\gamma\gamma}^{2} B^{2} V \omega_{TM_{010}} Q_{cavity} a^{2} / \mu_{0} \\ P_{noise} &= k_{B} \Delta f T_{svs}, \ T_{svs} = T_{cavity} + T_{chain} \end{split} \\ \Rightarrow SNR = \frac{P_{a}^{a\gamma\gamma}}{\sigma_{P_{noise}}}$$



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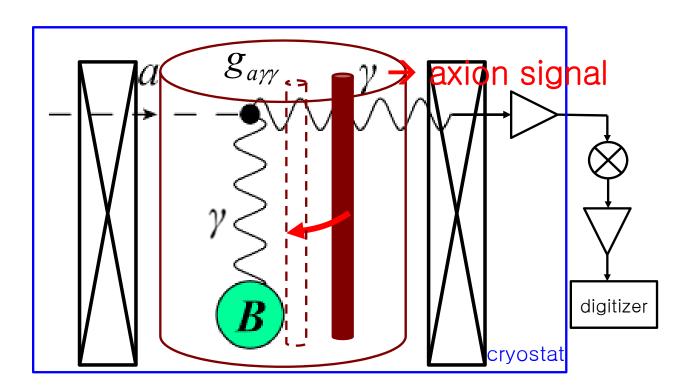




$$\bullet P_a^{a\gamma\gamma} \propto g_{a\gamma\gamma}^2 B^2 V \omega_{TM_{010}} Q_{cavity} a^2 / \mu_0 \qquad \Rightarrow \text{scanning rate } \frac{dv_{TM_{010}}}{dt} \propto \frac{g_{a\gamma\gamma}^4 B^4 V^2 Q_{cavity} a^4}{T_{noise}^2} \rightarrow \text{Figure of merit}$$

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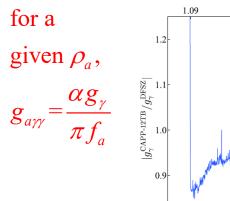
Axion dark matter detection

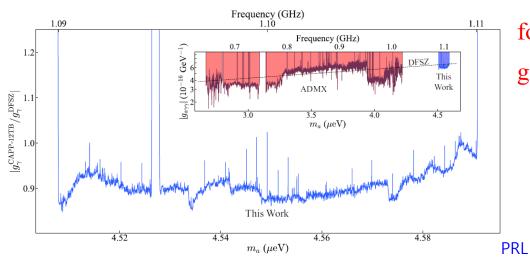
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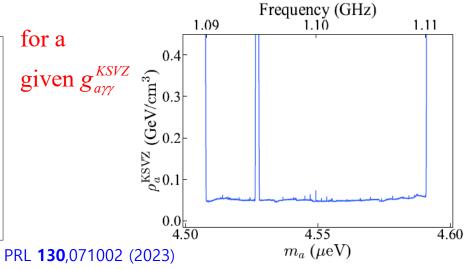
$$[a^2] = \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{s}} \rightarrow a^2 = \frac{\rho_a \hbar^2}{m_a^2 c}$$
 in SI units,

 ρ_a (local dark matter density) = 0.3 ~ 0.45 GeV/cc in natural units

 $P_a^{a\gamma\gamma} \propto g_{a\gamma\gamma}^2 B^2 V \omega_{TM_{010}} Q_{cavity} \frac{\rho_a}{m_a^2} \rightarrow \text{axion signal depends on the local dark matter density } \rho_a \text{ as well as } g_{a\gamma\gamma}$







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Axion experiment at IBS-CAPP—pushing the experimental parameters to extreme Magnet

•scanning rate
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 Figure of merit

Superconductor magnet from Oxford Instruments (OI)



Magnet parameters	Values
Central field	12 T@4.2 K
Magnet bore	320 mm
Operating current	266 A
Inductance	161 H
Stored energy	5.7 MJ

300,000 times stronger than the geomagnetic field there

 \rightarrow ~8x10²¹ for the scanning rate





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Dilution fridge from Leiden Cryogenic B.V.



dilution insert unit

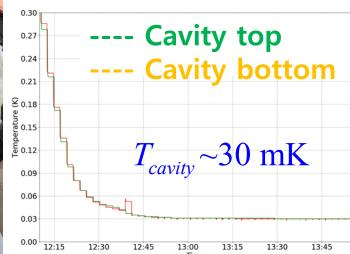


base temperature 5.4 mK without load

 cooling power measured to be 1 mW at 90 mK



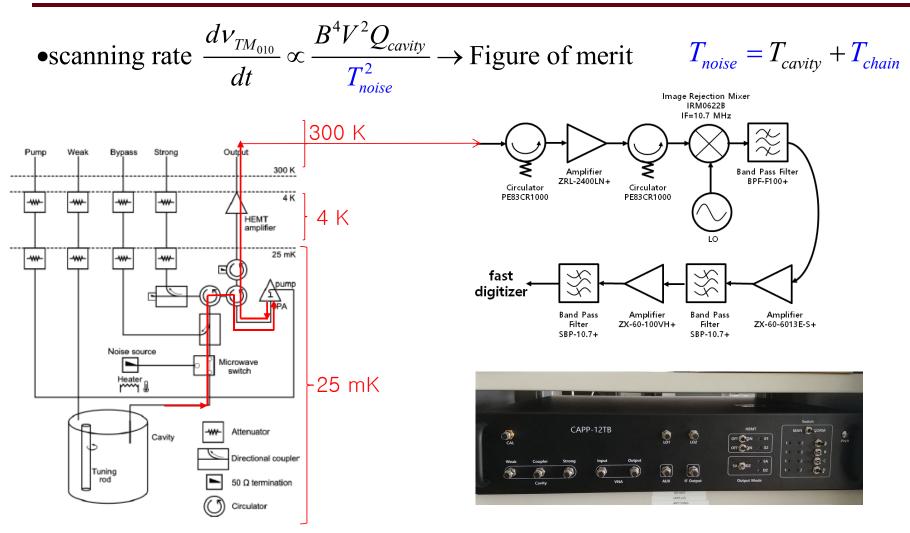








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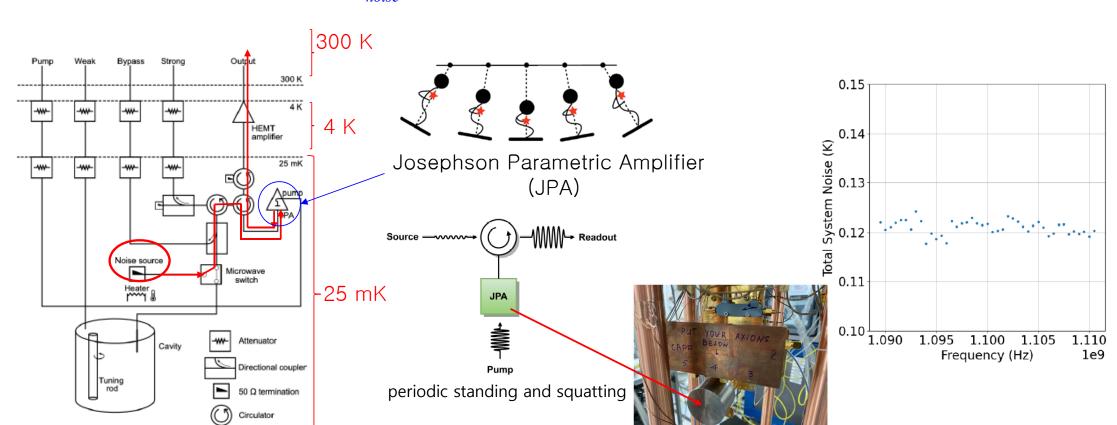






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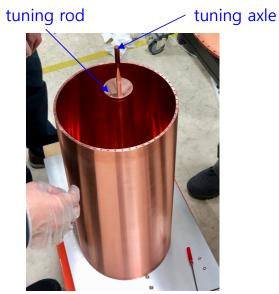




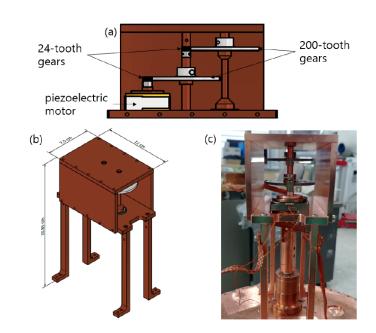


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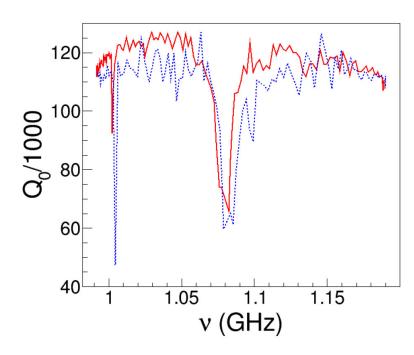
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OFHC copper ID=262 mm, h=560 mm tunable TM₀₁₀ using the tuning rod (OD=64 mm) 1.0~1.2 GHz



tuning mechanism by piezo and gear combination reduction ratio 69.4:1



Q measurement at ~4 K





Axion experiment at IBS-CAPP—pushing the experimental parameters to extreme fast DAQ

•scanning rate
$$\frac{dv_{TM_{010}}}{dt} \propto \varepsilon_{DAQ} \frac{B^4 V^2 Q_{cavity}}{T_{noise}^2} \rightarrow$$
 Figure of merit



commercial spectrum analyzer provides online FFT → easy to use DAQ efficiency at best ~47%



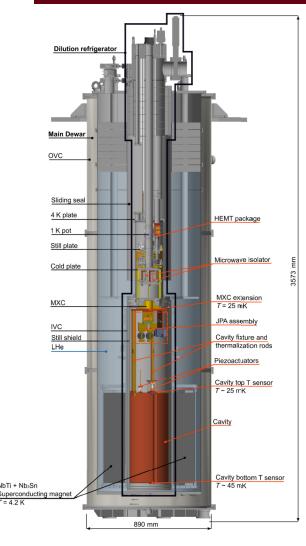
using a fast digitizer, developed a novel algorithm for online FFT → realized a DAQ efficiency of ~100% (2022 JINST 17 P05025)

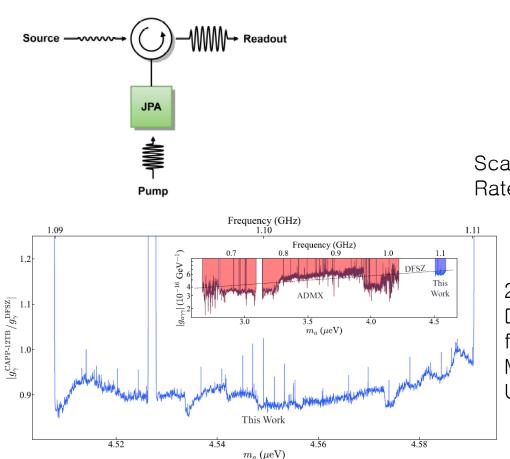
This is huge because you can finish your experiment twice faster.





Axion experiment at IBS-CAPP—pushing the experimental parameters to extreme put it together





PRL **130**, 071002 (2023), assuming axions make up 100% of the local dark matter density

Scan 20 MHz in 18 days
Rate > 1 MHz/day maintaining
DFSZ sensitivity

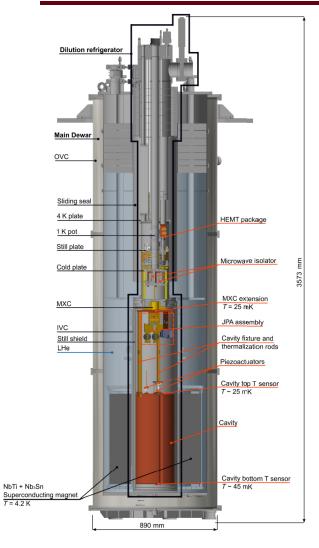
→ best scanning rate ever

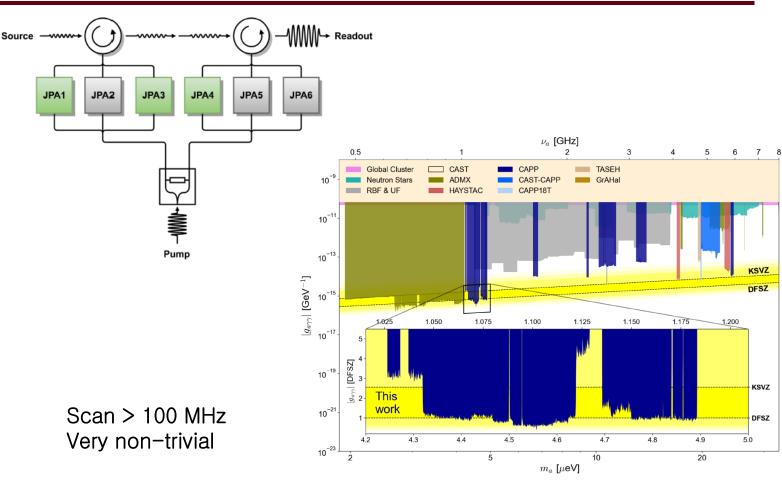
2nd experiment sensitive to DFSZ axions followed by ADMX (Axion Dark Matter eXperiment) at U. of Washington





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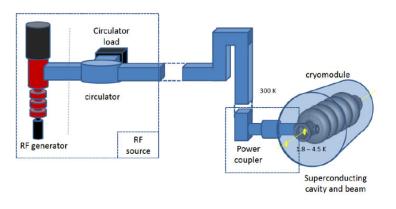


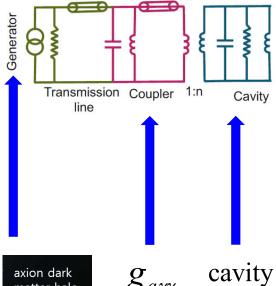
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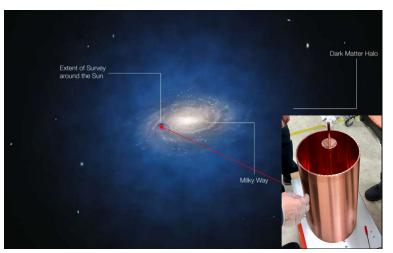
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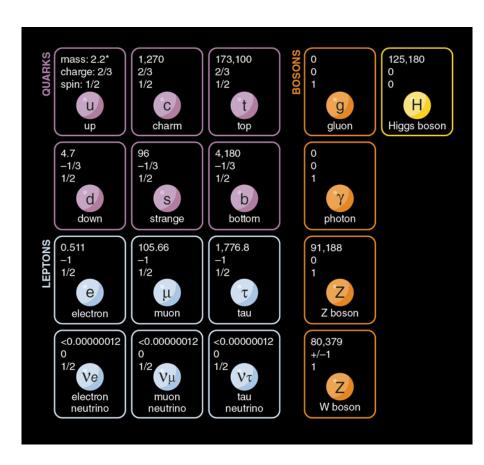
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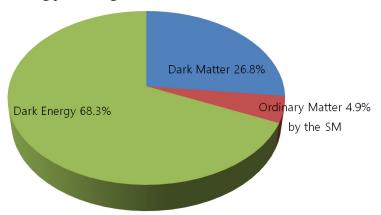


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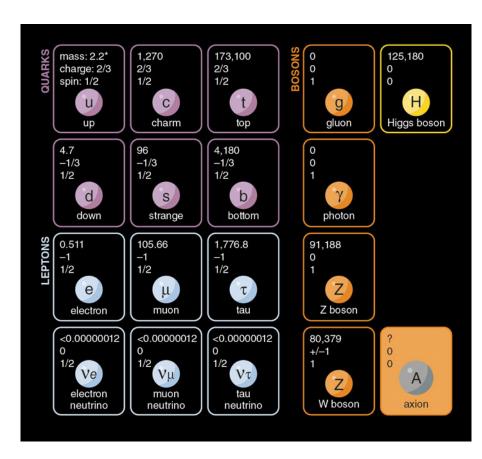


SM governs ~5% of the Universe

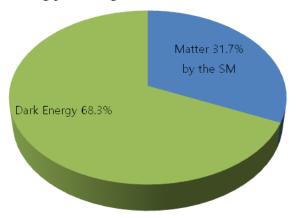




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- We govern all matter (~32% of the Universe) together with axion dark matter
- → promotion of the SM ?





Dark Matter Candidates

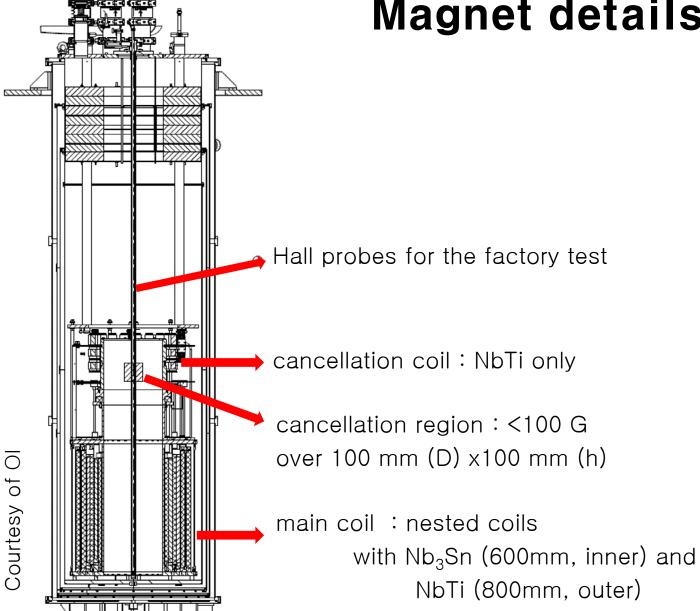
Year invented	Axions 1977	WIMPs 1985
Original purpose	Solve technical problem in theory of strong nuclear force	Explain dark matter
Detectable because they	Turn into photons in strong magnetic fields	Bounce off atomic nuclei
Pros	Solve more than one problem; allow for decisive test	Flow naturally from supersymmetry; provide many models and multiple avenues of detection
Cons	Provide few models and one means of detection	Resist decisive testing; haven't shown up in decades of l ooking

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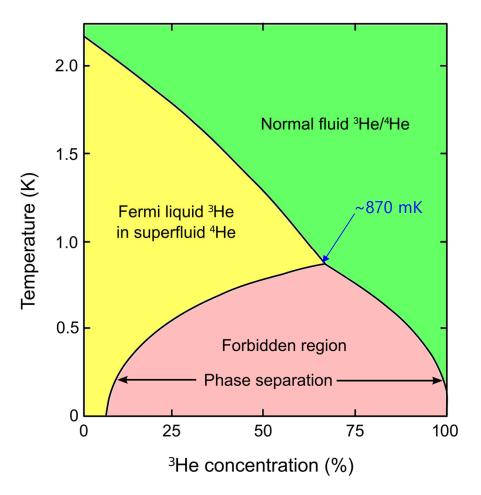
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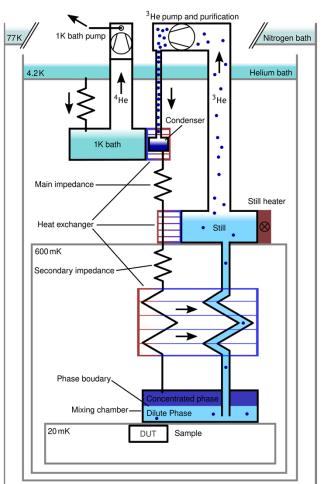












³He is diluted from the concentrated phase to the diluted phase through the phase boundary





Haus-Caves theorem

$$V(t) = V_0 \left(\hat{X}_1(t) \cos \omega_0 t + \hat{X}_2(t) \sin \omega_0 t \right)$$

quadratures
$$\hat{X}_1 = \frac{1}{2}(\hat{a} + \hat{a}^{\dagger})$$
 and $\hat{X}_2 = \frac{1}{2}(\hat{a} - \hat{a}^{\dagger})$

$$\left[\hat{X}_1, \hat{X}_2\right] = \frac{i}{2}$$
 and $\left[\hat{a}, \hat{a}^{\dagger}\right] = 1$

$$\hat{Y}_1 = \sqrt{G_1}\hat{X}_1 + \hat{F}_1$$

$$\hat{Y}_2 = \sqrt{G_1} \hat{X}_2 + \hat{F}_2$$

$$[\hat{F}_1, \hat{F}_2]$$
[] = $\frac{i}{2} (1 - \sqrt{G_1 G_2}) = \frac{i}{2} (1 - G)$

$$A_N = \frac{1}{2} \left| 1 \mp \frac{1}{G} \right|$$





Axion quality problem

Quantum-gravity effects at the Planck scale spoil the PQ solution to the strong CP problem