

# Quantum Sensors for Fundamental Physics I

## Electromagnetic Resonant Detection

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# **Motivation and Introduction to Ultralight Bosons and High-Frequency Gravitational Waves**

# Ultralight Bosons: $\Psi = a, B^\mu$ and $H^{\mu\nu}$

$$-\frac{1}{2}\nabla^\mu a \nabla_\mu a - \frac{1}{4}B^{\mu\nu}B_{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{EH}}(H) - V(\Psi)$$

- ▶ **Extra dimensions** predict **a wide range of ultralight boson mass**.  
**Dimensional reduction from higher form fields:**  
e.g.  $g^{MN}(5D) \rightarrow g^{\mu\nu}(4D) + B^\mu(4D)$ ,  $B^M(5D) \rightarrow B^\mu(4D) + a(4D)$ .
- ▶ String axiverse/photiverse: **logarithmic mass window**.  
In 4D,  $m_\Psi \propto e^{-\mathcal{V}_{6D}}$ .
- ▶ Ultralight  $m_\Psi$  as low as  $\sim 10^{-22}$  eV can be naturally predicted.  
Solution to small-scale problems in the galaxy?
- ▶ **Coherent waves** dark matter candidates when  $m_\Psi < 1$  eV:

$$\Psi(x^\mu) \simeq \Psi_0(\mathbf{x}) \cos \omega t; \quad \Psi_0 \simeq \frac{\sqrt{\rho}}{m_\Psi}; \quad \omega \simeq m_\Psi.$$

# Oscillating Ultralight Boson Background

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- **Oscillating field value: observables in standard model (SM) sectors oscillate as well:**

Dilaton: coupling constant, mass...

Axion: EDM, chiral dispersion of photon...

- **The interactions with SM are suppressed by high scale.**

- **Amplifications of the signals:**

Tabletop experiments on earth:  $\rho_{\text{DM}} \sim 0.4 \text{ GeV/cm}^3$ ;

Astrophysical observation: larger  $\rho$ , e.g., galaxy center or near Kerr black hole.

# Property of Ultralight Dark Matter

Galaxy formation: virialization  $\rightarrow \sim 10^{-3}c$  velocity fluctuation, thus kinetic energy  $\sim 10^{-6} m_\psi c^2$ .

**Effectively coherent waves:**

$$\Psi(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{\sqrt{2\rho_\Psi}}{m_\psi} \cos\left(\omega_\psi t - \vec{k}_\psi \cdot \vec{x} + \delta_0\right).$$

- ▶ Bandwidth:  $\delta\omega_\psi \simeq m_\psi \langle v_{\text{DM}}^2 \rangle \simeq 10^{-6} m_\psi$ ,  $Q_\psi \simeq 10^6$ .
- ▶ Correlation time:  $\tau_\psi \simeq \text{ms} \frac{10^{-6} \text{eV}}{m_\psi}$ .

**Power law detection is used to make integration time longer than  $\tau_\psi$ .**

- ▶ Correlation length:  $\lambda_d \simeq 200 \text{ m} \frac{10^{-6} \text{eV}}{m_\psi} \gg \lambda_c = 1/m_\psi$ .  
**Sensor array can be used within  $\lambda_d$ .**

# Axion/Axion-like Particle

- ▶ Axion: hypothetical **pseudoscalar** motivated by **strong CP problem**:

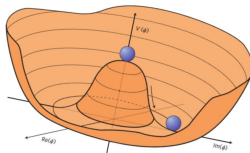
**Neutron electric dipole**  $|\bar{\theta}|10^{-16}$  e.cm is **smaller than**  $10^{-26}$  e.cm.

$$\bar{\theta} = \theta_{\text{QCD}} + \arg \det M_u M_d, \quad \text{Fine tuning!}$$

Why is  $\bar{\theta}$  so small? Why  instead of  ?

Solution: introducing an **dynamical** field with effective potential

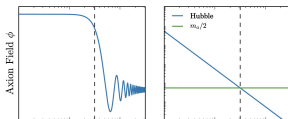
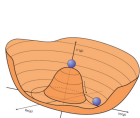
$$V \sim -m_a^2 f_a^2 \cos\left(\bar{\theta} + \frac{a}{f_a}\right).$$



# Misalignment Production of Axion

$$\ddot{a} + 3Ha + m_a^2(T)a = 0.$$

- ▶ After PQ, massless axion has an initial field value within the Hubble patch, called **initial misalignment angle**  $\theta_i \equiv a_i/f_a$ .
- ▶ **Cosine potential** was generated when  $T < \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ .



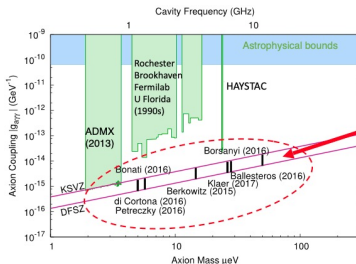
in terms of scale factor.

- ▶  $H \gg m_a$ , overdamped,  $\langle a \rangle = \text{const.}$
- ▶  $H \ll m_a$ , oscillating with amplitude  $\langle a_0 \rangle$  slowly redshifted.
- ▶ Non thermal production: **non-relativistic all the time.**



# Misalignment Production of QCD Axion

- ▶ For QCD axion,  $m_a f_a \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2$  predicts a **thin line** in the parameter space.
- ▶ Cosmological parameter: **initial misalignment angle**  $\theta_i \equiv a_i/f_a$ .

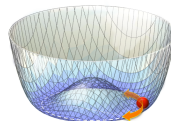


Classical “post inflation” axion window: fine tuning of  $\Theta$  not required for axions to make up 100% of observed dark matter

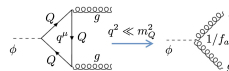
- ▶ Assuming  $\theta_i \sim 1$  leads to the **most natural region** of QCD axion dark matter  $m_a \sim 10^{-6} \text{eV} \sim \text{GHz}$ .
- ▶ Different cosmological evolutions can still provide a viable dark matter candidate in other region, e.g., PQ symmetry broken before inflation.

# Axion Coupling to the Standard Model

- ▶ **Axion Fermion coupling:**  $\partial_\mu a \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \psi / f_a$ ,  
non-linearization of a chiral global symmetry  $\sim \partial_\mu a J_5^\mu / f_a$ .  
Stellar cooling, DM wind/gradient.



- ▶ **Axion Gluon coupling:**  $C_g a \text{Tr} G_{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu} / f_a$ ,  
generated from anomaly/triangle loop diagram.  
Oscillating EDM.



- ▶ **Axion Photon coupling:**  $C_\gamma a F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} / f_a$ ,  
from mixing with neutral  $\pi_0$ .  
Photon conversion to axion, inverse Primakoff, birefringence.

# Axion QED: Inverse Primakoff Effect

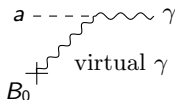
- ▶ Axion-photon coupling modifies Maxwell equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} &= \rho - g_{a\gamma} \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla a \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{B} &= \partial_t \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{J} - g_{a\gamma} (\mathbf{E} \times \nabla a - \mathbf{B} \partial_t a)\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Background  $\vec{B}_0$  and **axion** induces **effective currents**:

$$\vec{J}_{\text{eff}} \simeq g_{a\gamma} \vec{B}_0 \sqrt{\rho_{\text{DM}}} \cos m_a t.$$

- ▶ Inverse Primakoff effect: **conversion of axion to an oscillating EM field** under background  $\mathbf{B}_0$ .



# Kinetic Mixing Dark Photon Dark Matter

- ▶ A new  $U(1)$  vector has **kinetic mixing** coupling with SM photon:

$$\epsilon F_{\mu\nu} F'^{\mu\nu}.$$

- ▶ Similar to axion: extra dimensions, misalignment production, coherent waves.
- ▶ Novel aspects: **three polarization degrees of freedom**, production from inflation.
- ▶ In the interaction basis:

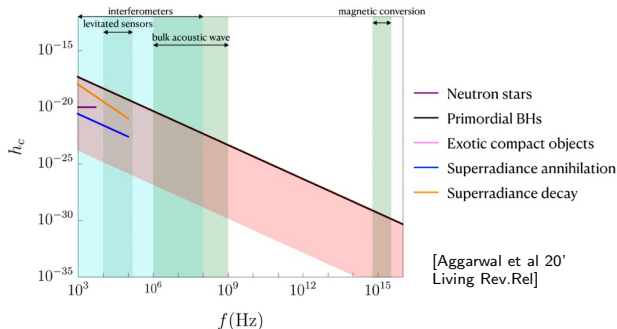
$$-\frac{1}{4} \left( \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} + \tilde{F}'_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}'^{\mu\nu} \right) + \frac{1}{2} m_{A'}^2 \tilde{A}'_\mu \tilde{A}'^\mu - e J_{\text{EM}}^\mu \tilde{A}_\mu + \epsilon m_{A'}^2 \tilde{A}_\mu \tilde{A}'^\mu.$$

Background dark photon behaves as an **effective current**:

$$J_{\text{eff}}^\mu = \epsilon m_{A'}^2 \tilde{A}'^\mu.$$

# High-Frequency Gravitational Waves

- Gravitational waves above 10 kHz has no know astrophysical origins.



- Stochastic background is constrained by  $N_{\text{eff}}$  during big bang nucleosynthesis (BBN), while a strain is not.
- Inverse Gertsenshtein effect: conversion of  $h_{\mu\nu}$  and background EM field to a new **EM field**.

$$\frac{1}{2} h^{\mu\nu} T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{EM}} \rightarrow J_{\text{eff}}^{\mu} = \partial_{\nu} \left( \frac{1}{2} h F^{\mu\nu} + h^{\nu}_{\rho} F^{\rho\mu} - h^{\mu}_{\rho} F^{\rho\nu} \right).$$

# Electromagnetic Resonant and Broadband Detection

# Inverse Primakoff and Haloscope [P.Sikivie 83']

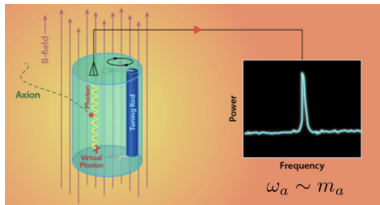
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \partial_t \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{J} - g_{a\gamma} (\mathbf{E} \times \nabla a - \mathbf{B} \partial_t a).$$

► Inverse Primakoff:  $\mathbf{J}_{\text{eff}}(t) = g_{a\gamma} \mathbf{B}_0 \partial_t a$ .

► Sikivie **cavity** Haloscope:

$$(\partial_t^2 + \gamma \partial_t + \omega_{\text{rf}}^2) \mathbf{E}_{\text{rf}} = \partial_t \mathbf{J}_{\text{eff}}(t).$$

► Static  $\mathbf{B}_0$  and **resonant** when  $\omega_{\text{rf}} = m_a \sim V^{-1/3} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$  GHz.



e.g. ADMX, HAYSTACK

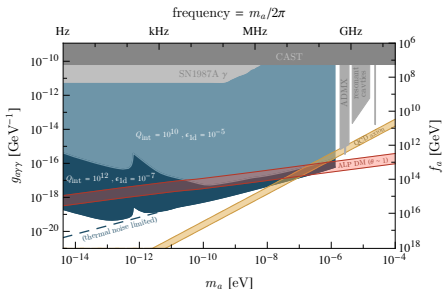
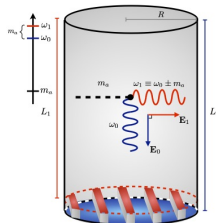
# Resonant SRF Cavity with AC B Field [A.Berlin, et al 19']

$$\sum_n \left( \partial_t^2 + \gamma \partial_t + \omega_n^2 \right) \mathbf{E}_{\text{rf}}^n = g_a \gamma \partial_t (\mathbf{B} \partial_t a).$$

- Using an **AC pump mode of  $\mathbf{B}_0$** :

$$\partial_t(\mathbf{B}_0) \simeq i\omega_0 \mathbf{B}_0, \quad \omega_{\text{rf}} \simeq \omega_0 + m_a;$$

- Heterodyne upconversion: down to Hz.

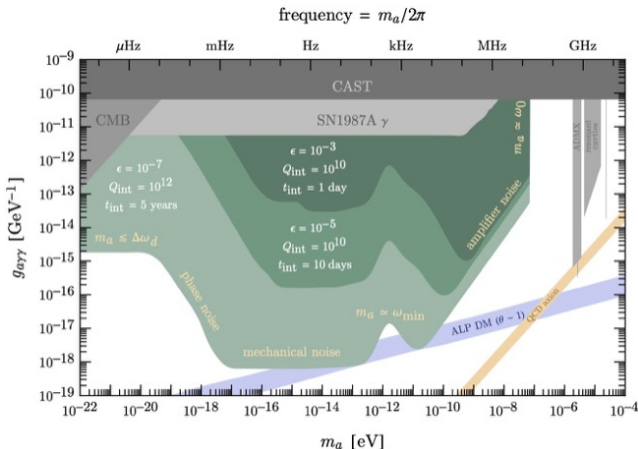


- High  $Q_{\text{int}} > 10^{10}$  due to the superconducting nature.



# Broadband SRF Detection

- Broadband SRF cavity: **two transverse and degenerate modes** with  $\omega_{\text{rf}} = \omega_0$ , down to  $10^{-22}$  eV. [A.Berlin, et al 20']



- Highly off-resonant for  $m_a > \text{kHz}$ .

# Effective current induced magnetic field

- ▶ In a EM shield room,  $\vec{J}_{\text{eff}}$  induce transverse magnetic fields:

$$B \approx |\vec{J}^{\text{eff}}| V^{1/3},$$

- ▶ For axion and dark photon:

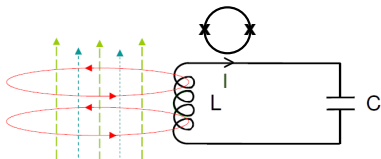
$$B_a \approx 10^{-17} \text{T} \left( \frac{g_{a\gamma}}{10^{-11} \text{ GeV}^{-1}} \right) \left( \frac{B_0}{1 \text{ T}} \right) \left( \frac{V^{1/3}}{1 \text{ m}} \right),$$

$$B_{A'} \approx 10^{-16} \text{T} \left( \frac{\epsilon}{10^{-6}} \right) \left( \frac{m_{A'}}{10 \text{ Hz}} \right) \left( \frac{V^{1/3}}{1 \text{ m}} \right).$$

- ▶ Strongest magnetic field signal  $\propto V^{1/3}$  is at the corner of the room.

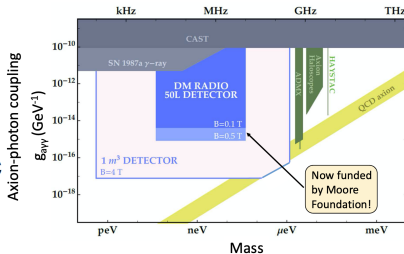
# Resonant LC circuit

- ▶ Resonant conversion happens when  $m_\psi = \omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$ .
- ▶ Scanning the mass from 100 Hz to 100 MHz by **tuning the capacitor C**.



B  $j(\omega)$  B( $\omega$ )

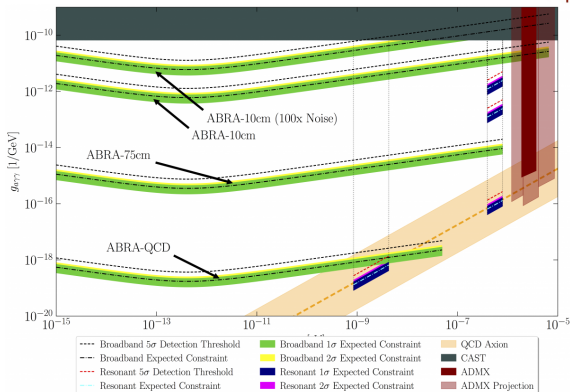
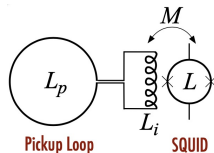
e.g. DM radio, ADMX-SLIC



Assumptions:  $T=10$  mK,  $Q=10^6$ , 3.5 year integration time, quantum-limited readout

# Broadband LR circuit

- LR circuit: no capacitor, **simultaneous scan of broad windows using SQUID**.  
[Y.Kahn, B. Safdi, J. Thaler 16']



e.g., ABRACADABRA.

# Axion QED: Achromatic Birefringence [Carroll, Field, Jackiw 90']

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{a\gamma}aF_{\mu\nu}\tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}\partial^\mu a\partial_\mu a - V(a),$$

- Chiral dispersions under axion background:

$$[\partial_t^2 - \nabla^2]A_{L,R} = \mp 2g_{a\gamma}n^\mu\partial_\mu a k A_{L,R}, \quad \omega_{L,R} \sim k \mp g_{a\gamma}n^\mu\partial_\mu a.$$

$n^\mu$ : unit directional vector

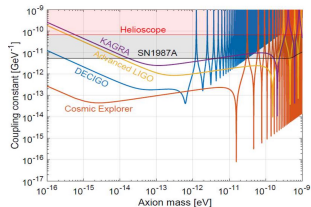
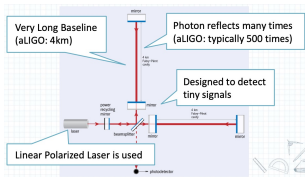
- Shift of electric vector position angle of linear polarization:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\chi &= g_{a\gamma} \int_{\text{emit}}^{\text{obs}} n^\mu \partial_\mu a \, dl \\ &= g_{a\gamma} [a(t_{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{x}_{\text{obs}}) - a(t_{\text{emit}}, \mathbf{x}_{\text{emit}})],\end{aligned}$$

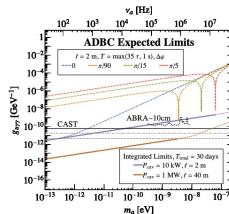
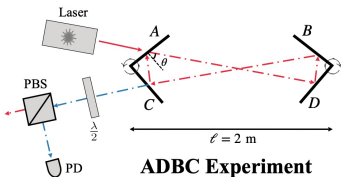
- Topological effect for each photon: only  $a(x_{\text{emit}}^\mu)$  and  $a(x_{\text{obs}}^\mu)$  dependent.

# GW Interferometers and Birefringent Cavity

- Interferometer: rotate EVPA of polarized lasers. [DeRocco, Hook 18']

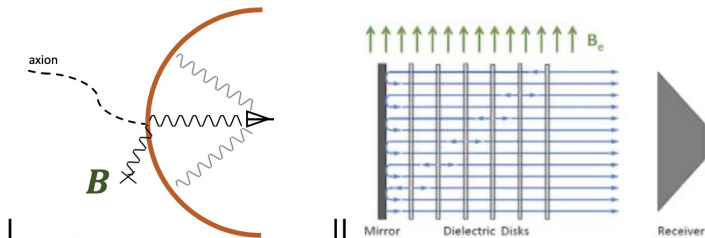


- Birefringent cavity: accumulate the axion-induced sideband. [Liu, Elwood et al 18']



# Higher-Frequency Electromagnetic Resonant Detection

Difficult to detect  $m_a \gg \text{GHz}$  axion dark matter due to short  $\lambda_c$ .

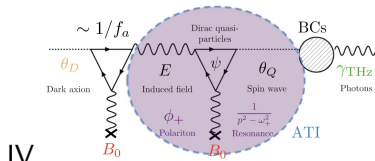
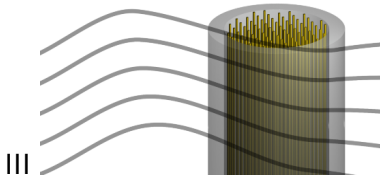


Collect all the induced EM emissions:

- ▶ I **Dish Antenna**, [Horns et al 12', An et al 22']
- ▶ II **Dielectric Haloscope**, e.g., MADMAX. [A.Caldwell et al 17']

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Create resonant states:

- ▶ III **Plasma Haloscope**: tunable cryogenic plasma mass, up to 100 GHz. [M.Lawson et al 19']
- ▶ IV **Topological Insulator**: quasiparticle polariton, up to THz. [D.J.E.Marsh et al 19']



# **Standard Quantum Limit for Single-mode Resonant Systems**

# Quantization of Cavity Modes

- **Quantized EM modes** with wavefunctions  $\vec{\epsilon}_n(\vec{r})$  In Coulomb gauge:

$$\vec{A} = \sum_n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega_{\text{rf}}^n}} \hat{a}_n^\dagger \vec{\epsilon}_n(\vec{r}) e^{-i\omega_{\text{rf}}^n t} + h.c..$$

- The Hamiltonian for each mode reduces to **harmonic oscillator**:

$$H_0 = \frac{1}{2} \int_V \left( \vec{E}^2 + \vec{B}^2 \right) dV = \sum_n \omega_{\text{rf}}^n \left( \hat{a}_n^\dagger \hat{a}_n + \frac{1}{2} \right),$$

- **Interaction with effective currents**:

$$H_{\text{int}} = \int_V \vec{A} \cdot \vec{J}_{\text{eff}} dV = \alpha \Psi \left( \hat{a} e^{i\omega_{\text{rf}} t} + \hat{a}^\dagger e^{-i\omega_{\text{rf}} t} \right) / \sqrt{2},$$

where  $\alpha$  contains geometric overlapping factor  $\eta_n \propto \int_V \vec{\epsilon}_n \cdot \vec{J}_{\text{eff}} dV$ .

# Quantization of Circuit Modes

- Energy stored in **an inductor and a capacitor**:

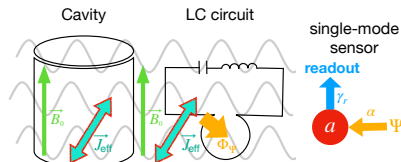
$$H_0 = \frac{\Phi^2}{2L} + \frac{Q^2}{2C} = \omega_{\text{rf}} \left( \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a} + \frac{1}{2} \right).$$

- Interaction with **external  $\Phi_\Psi$** :

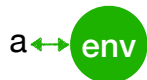
$$H_{\text{int}} = \frac{\Phi \Phi_\Psi}{L} = \alpha \Psi \left( \hat{a} e^{i\omega_{\text{rf}} t} + \hat{a}^\dagger e^{-i\omega_{\text{rf}} t} \right) / \sqrt{2}.$$

- **Circuit representation** of cavity modes with an **antenna**:

$$\Phi = \int_{\text{Ant}} \vec{A}(\vec{r}, t) \cdot d\vec{l}.$$



# Open quantum system



A system interacting with environment:

- ▶ System mode  $\hat{a}$  couples to infinite degrees of freedom  $\hat{w}_\omega$ :

$$i\hbar\sqrt{2\gamma_r}\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty}\frac{d\omega}{2\pi}[\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{w}_\omega - \hat{a}\hat{w}_\omega^\dagger] + \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty}\frac{d\omega}{2\pi}\hbar\omega\hat{w}_\omega^\dagger\hat{w}_\omega.$$

- ▶ Fourier transformation: **0-dim localized mode**  $\hat{a}$  couples to **an 1-dim bulk**  $w_\xi$  (transmission line):

$$i\hbar\sqrt{2\gamma_r}\hat{a}^\dagger\hat{w}_{\xi=0} + \text{h.c.} + i\hbar\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty}d\xi\hat{w}_\xi^\dagger\partial_\xi\hat{w}_\xi.$$

- ▶ Equations of motion for  $\hat{a}$  and **outgoing mode**  $\hat{w}_{0+}$ :

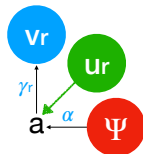
$$\dot{\hat{a}} = -\gamma_r\hat{a} + \sqrt{2\gamma_r}\hat{w}_{0-}; \quad \hat{w}_{0+} = \hat{w}_{0-} - \sqrt{2\gamma_r}\hat{a}$$

# Single-mode Resonator as Quantum Sensor

- ▶ For a resonator  $\hat{a}$  **probing weak signal**  $\Psi$ :  $\alpha (\hat{a} + \hat{a}^\dagger) \Psi$

- ▶ Readout for outgoing mode  $\hat{v}_r \equiv \hat{w}_{0+}$ :

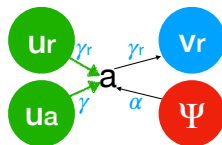
$$\hat{v}_r = \frac{\Omega - i\gamma_r}{\Omega + i\gamma_r} \hat{u}_r + \frac{\sqrt{2\gamma_r}\alpha}{\Omega + i\gamma_r} \Psi.$$



- ▶ Fluctuations in incoming mode  $\hat{u}_r \equiv \hat{w}_{0-}$  with **quantum limited power spectral density**  $S_r = 1$ .
- ▶ **Resonant signal spectrum**  $S_{\text{sig}} = \frac{\gamma_r \alpha^2}{\gamma_r^2 + \Omega^2} S_\Psi(\Omega)$ .
- ▶ Trade-off between peak sensitivity and bandwidth by **tuning**  $\gamma_r$ .

# Intrinsic loss and fluctuation

- ▶ **Intrinsic loss**  $\propto \gamma$  exists, characterized by quality factor  $Q_{\text{int}} \equiv \omega/\gamma$ .



- ▶ **Fluctuation-dissipation theorem** predicts **intrinsic loss fluctuations**

$$S_{\text{int}}(\Omega) = \frac{4\gamma\gamma_r}{(\gamma + \gamma_r)^2 + \Omega^2} n_{\text{occ}}.$$

- ▶ Using scattering matrix elements:

$$S_{\text{sig}} = |S_{0r}|^2 \frac{\alpha^2}{4\gamma} S_{\Psi}, \quad S_{\text{noise}} = |S_{0r}|^2 n_{\text{occ}} + |S_{rr}|^2 \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}.$$

- ▶ **Standard quantum limit for power law detection:** **resonant**  $S_{\text{int}}$  + **flat**  $S_r$ . [Chaudhuri et al 18']

# Quantum noise limit for resonant detection

- **Standard quantum limit for power law detection:**  
[Chaudhuri, Irwin, Graham, Mardon 18']

Noise PSD: resonant intrinsic noise  $S_{\text{int}}$  + flat readout noise  $S_r$ .

- Sensitivity to  $S_{\text{sig}}$  and  $S_{\text{int}}$  is the same.

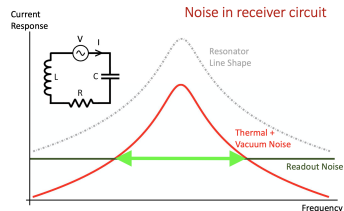
$$\text{SNR}^2 \propto \text{range where } S_{\text{int}} \gg S_r.$$

- **Beyond quantum limit:**

Squeezing  $S_r$ , e.g., HAYSTACK.

$$S_{\text{int}} \propto \text{Cauchy distribution}$$

**Increasing the sensitivity to  $S_{\text{sig}}$** , e.g., white light cavity in optomechanics/GW detection [Miao, Ma, Zhao, Chen 15'].



# **Standard Quantum Limit for Multi-mode Resonant Systems**



- Beyond quantum limit of the sensitivity/scan rate?

## Axion Haloscope Array

### With $\mathcal{PT}$ Symmetry

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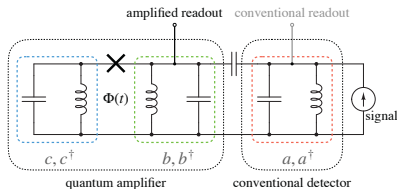
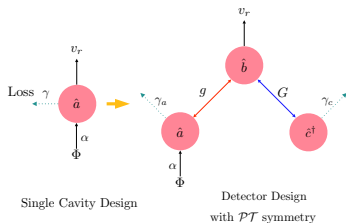
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# White Light Cavity

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Probing mode:  
 $\hbar\alpha(\hat{a} + \hat{a}^\dagger)\Psi$

- ▶ **Beam-splitting:**  $\hbar g(\hat{a}\hat{b}^\dagger + \hat{a}^\dagger\hat{b})$ .
- ▶ **Non-degenerate parametric interaction:**  $\hbar G(\hat{b}\hat{c} + \hat{b}^\dagger\hat{c}^\dagger)$ .
- ▶  **$\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetry** ( $\hat{a} \leftrightarrow \hat{c}^\dagger$ ) **emerges** when  $g = G$ .
 
$$\begin{aligned} (\dot{\hat{a}} + \dot{\hat{c}}^\dagger) &= -i(g - G)\hat{b} - i\alpha\Psi + \dots; \\ \dot{\hat{b}} &= -\gamma_r\hat{b} - i g(\hat{a} + \hat{c}^\dagger) + \dots. \end{aligned}$$
- ▶ Coherent cancellation leads to **double resonance**.  
 $S_{\text{sig}}$  is **largely enhanced** when  $g \gg$  **intrinsic dissipation**  $\gamma$ :

$$S_{\text{sig}}^{\text{WLC}}(\Omega) = \frac{2\gamma_r\alpha^2 S_\Psi(\Omega)}{(\gamma + \gamma_r)^2 + \Omega^2} \left( \frac{g^2}{\gamma^2 + \Omega^2} \right).$$

Readout coupling  $\gamma_r$

# Resonator Chain Haloscope

- Generalization to **chain detector**:

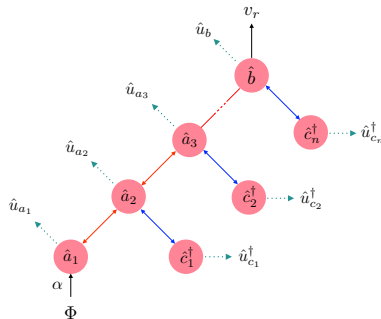
- $\mathcal{PT}$ -invariant mode**:  $\hat{A}_i \equiv \hat{a}_i + \hat{c}_i^\dagger$ .

$$\dot{\hat{A}}_1 = -i\alpha\hat{\Psi} + \dots,$$

$$\dot{\hat{A}}_i = -ig\hat{A}_{i-1} + \dots,$$

$$\dot{\hat{b}} = -\gamma_r\hat{b} - ig\hat{A}_n.$$

**$n + 1$ -times resonance!**

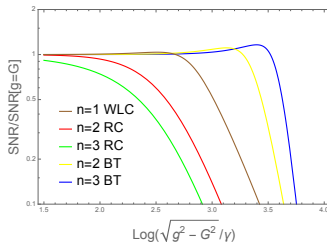
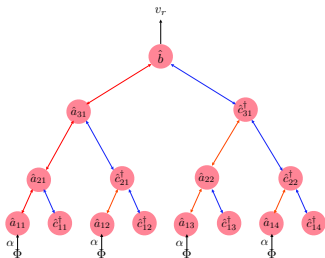


- The whole Hamiltonian is explicitly  **$\mathcal{PT}$  broken**.

- $S_{\text{sig}}$  is  **$n$ -times enhanced**:

$$S_{\text{sig}}^{\text{RC}}(\Omega) = \frac{2\gamma_r\alpha^2 S_{\Psi}(\Omega)}{(\gamma + \gamma_r)^2 + \Omega^2} \left( \frac{g^2}{\gamma^2 + \Omega^2} \right)^n.$$

# Binary Tree Haloscope

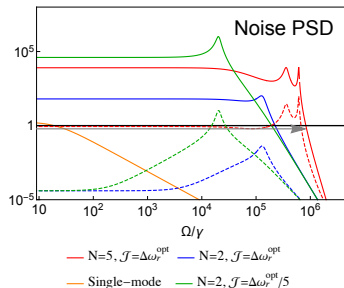
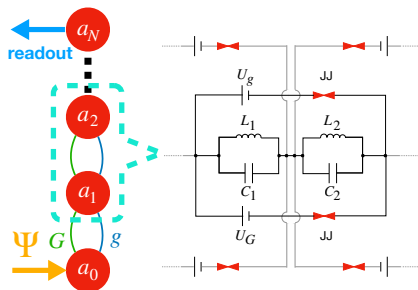


- **Fully  $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetric setup** with  $\hat{a}_{ij} \leftrightarrow \hat{c}_{ij}^\dagger$  brings **strong robustness**.
- **Multi-probing sensors** leads to **coherent enhancement**:

$$S_{\text{sig}}^{\text{BT}}(\Omega) = 2^{2n-2} S_{\text{sig}}^{\text{RC}}(\Omega).$$

# Quantum Limit for Multi-mode resonators

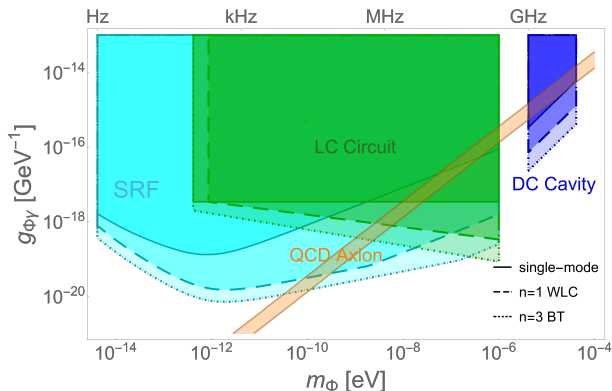
Scan bandwidth can be significantly increased in a multi-mode system.



- Far beyond the one of single-mode resonators.
- New quantum limit for multi-mode resonators.

# Signal to Noise Ratio and Physics Reach

- $\text{SNR}^2 \propto \text{range where } S_{\text{int}} \gg S_r \propto 2^n \left( \frac{g}{\gamma n_{\text{occ}}} \right)^{\frac{2n}{2n+1}}$ , where  $g/\gamma \rightarrow Q_{\text{int}}$ .



- LC circuit: ineffective at low frequency due to large  $n_{\text{occ}}$ .
- High  $Q_{\text{int}}$  and constant  $n_{\text{occ}}$  for SRF with BT can cover  $m_\psi > \text{kHz}$  QCD axion dark matter potentially.

# Summary

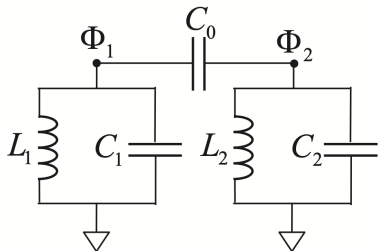
- ▶ Ultralight bosons, especially for QCD axion, are well-motivated.
- ▶ Electromagnetic quantum sensor including cavity/circuit can play huge roles in hunting them.
- ▶ Quantum limit for resonant detectors: the range where intrinsic fluctuations dominate over readout noise.
- ▶ Multi-resonant systems strongly enhances the scan bandwidth and goes beyond the limit of single-mode detectors.

*Thank you!*



# Appendix

# Beam splitting coupling



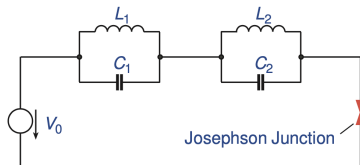
- Use an additional capacitor to couple two LC circuits:

$$H = \frac{1}{2}C_1\dot{\Phi}_1^2 + \frac{1}{2}C_2\dot{\Phi}_2^2 + \frac{1}{2L_1}\Phi_1^2 + \frac{1}{2L_2}\Phi_2^2 + \frac{1}{2}C_0(\Phi_1 - \Phi_2)^2.$$

- Conjugate momentum to  $\Phi_i$  involves mixing. Interaction potential:

$$\beta\hbar\sqrt{\omega_1\omega_2}(\hat{a}_1 - \hat{a}_1^\dagger)(\hat{a}_2 - \hat{a}_2^\dagger) \sim \hat{a}_1\hat{a}_2^\dagger + h.c.,$$

# Non-Degenerate Parametric amplifier coupling



- Use a DC voltage and a Josephson junction to couple two LC circuits:

$$\begin{aligned} V &= -\frac{\hbar I_J}{2e_0} \cos\left(\omega_0 t + \frac{2e_0}{\hbar}(\Phi_2 + \Phi_3)\right) \\ &= -\frac{\hbar I_J}{2e_0} \cos\left(\omega_0 t + \kappa_2(a_2 + a_2^\dagger) + \kappa_3(a_3 + a_3^\dagger)\right) \\ &\sim \frac{\hbar I_J}{4e_0} \kappa_2 \kappa_3 [a_2 a_3 + a_2^\dagger a_3^\dagger], \end{aligned}$$