Axion Haloscope Meets the $\vec{E}$ Field

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Outline

- *Resonance* in a ‘haloscope’
- Axio-electric current in an $\vec{E}$ field
- $\vec{E}$ field as conversion medium
- $\vec{E}$ field as signal: capability study

Axion / ALPs as DM

Axion as a fast oscillating field at the bottom of the its instanton potential $V(\phi) \sim (\phi - \phi_0)^2$ behaves on ave. as matter-like: $\rho(z) \sim (1+z)^3$

M. Turner, 83'

- `Wave-like' DM candidates via misalignment mech.
- Nearly monochromatic signal: $\delta f / f \sim 10^{-6}$.

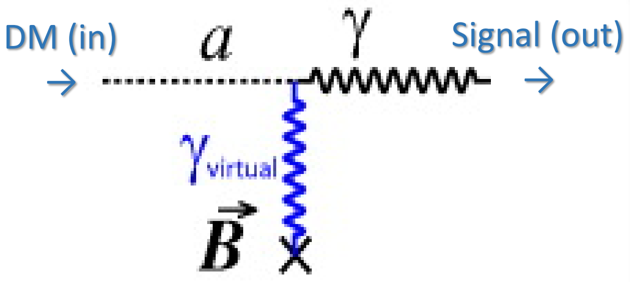
For terrestrial labs, as a coherent wave:

$$a(x,t) \approx a_0 \cos\left[m_a \vec{v}_a \cdot \vec{x} - \left(m_a + \frac{m_a}{2} v_a^2\right) t\right]$$

Local DM velocity

Can coherently convert into photon/EM fields via 'axion-like' interaction

$$\mathcal{L}_{a\gamma\gamma} = -g_{a\gamma} a \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}$$

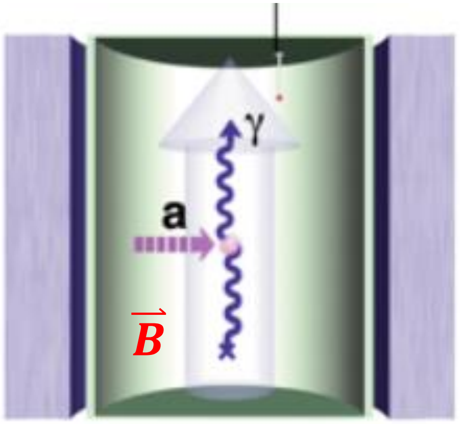


External Strong EM field

Axion Haloscope:

A resonant DM axion -> photon converter (P. Sikivie, 83’)

- Primakoff Effect: a under a strong EM field
- DM in QCD axion theory predicts a microwave frequency band.
- High `Quality factor’ – given by DM energy dispersion
- Tunable resonator to scan over a mass range



Cavity tuned to expected axion signal frequency

A new `f^{-1}’ frontier:

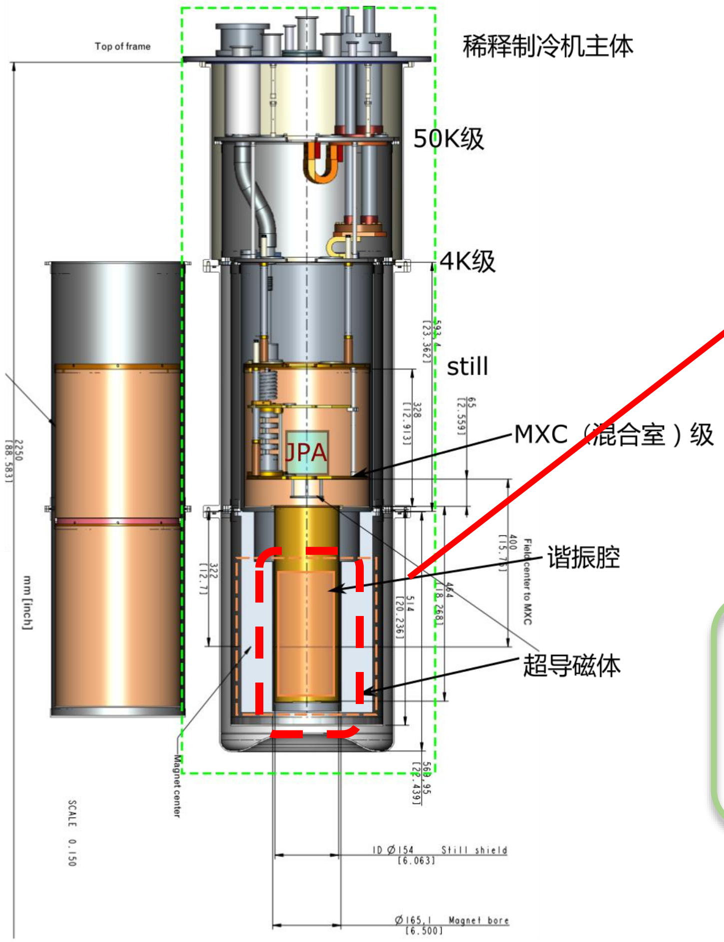
Search for high U(1)$_{PQ}$ scale physics at a low $\sim \frac{\Lambda_{QCD}^{2}}{\Lambda_{PQ}}$ scale

QCD axion dark matter: typically ~ O(50) μeV. →

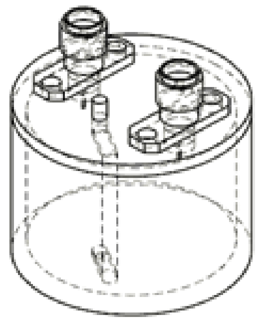
m_a = 60−150 μeV (T. Hiramatsu, et.al. 2012’)
m_a = 26.5±3.4 μeV (Klaer, Moore, 2017’)

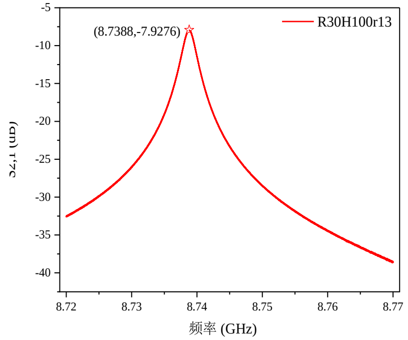
General ALP(s): m_a- f_a not restricted.

Cryogenic resonant EM cavity



tunable cavity





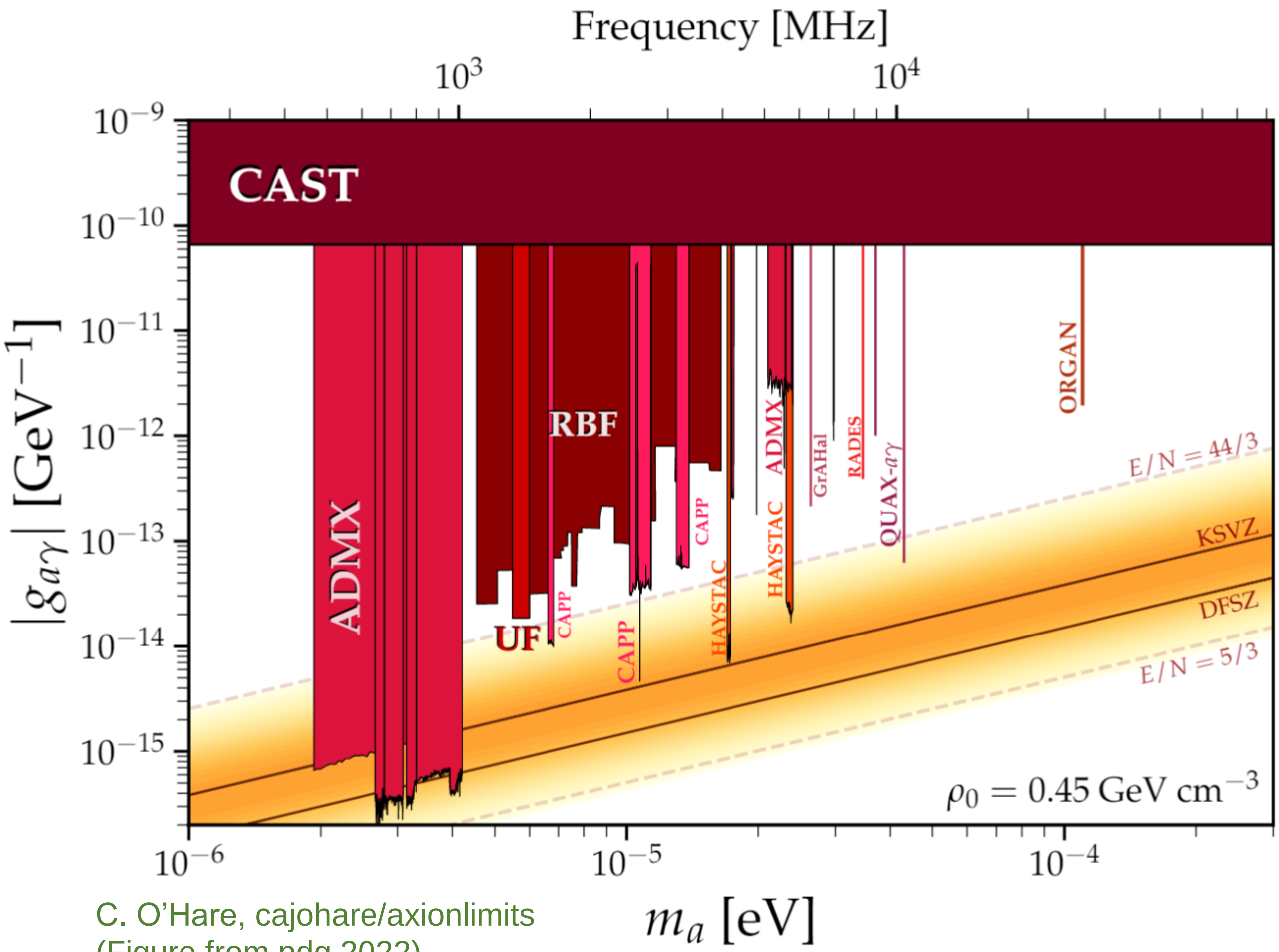
Measurement at Cavity’s resonant freq.

Emergence of EM signal from inside the cavity

$$P_{\text{axion}} = 2.2 \cdot 10^{-23}\ \text{W}\left(\frac{V}{136\ \text{L}}\right)\left(\frac{B}{7.6\ \text{T}}\right)^2\left(\frac{C}{0.4}\right) \cdot\left(\frac{g_\gamma}{0.36}\right)^2\left(\frac{\rho_a}{0.45\ \text{GeV cm}^{-3}}\right)\left(\frac{f}{740\ \text{MHz}}\right)\left(\frac{Q}{30000}\right)$$

➢ single photon level: O(10) photons s^{-1}

Haloscope with strong B field: sharpest limits, so far.



C. O'Hare, cajohare/axionlimits
(Figure from pdg 2022)

ADMX,HAYSTAC:
achieved sensitivity
to theoretical par. space
(DFSZ / KSVZ models)

Recent players:
CAPP/IBS (2020)
QUAX-aγ (2019)
CAST-RADES(2021)
TASEH (2022)

*Higher freq. detectors
(10 GHz or higher?)

+ many others.

Success with a High-*Q*

- Key to cavity's achievements: ***high quality factor***

For classical, see P. Sikivie, 84'

$$R = g_{a\gamma\gamma}^2 \frac{\rho_a}{m_a^2} B_0^2 C_k V \cdot Q$$

$Q \sim 10^6$ Provide both resonant $a \to \gamma$ enhancement & bkg suppression

Thermal noise power: $P_{Bkg} \sim 4k_B T \dfrac{m_a}{2\pi \cdot Q}$

Quantum mechanically, interaction between a cavity-mode $\vec{E}(x)$ and the plane wave:

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$$\begin{aligned} H_I &= -\int d^3x \mathcal{L}_{a\gamma\gamma} \\ &= (g_{a\gamma\gamma} \frac{\sqrt{2\rho_a}}{m_a} B_0 \int dx^3 \hat{z} \cdot \vec{E}) \cos(\omega_a t) \end{aligned}$$

So at the QM level!

Cavity's $|0\rangle \longrightarrow |1\rangle$ rate is enhanced by the incident wave's Q – factor.

$$R = \left|\int_0^t \boxed{\langle 1|\, H_I\, |0\rangle} e^{i(\omega_k-\omega_a)t} dt\right|^2$$

$$= \left(g_{a\gamma\gamma}\frac{\sqrt{2\rho_a}}{m_a} B_0 \int dx^3\, \hat{z}\cdot \left|\,\langle 1|\, \vec{E}\, |0\rangle\,\right|\right)^2 \delta(\omega_k-\omega_a)$$

$$R \approx \frac{\pi}{2} g_{a\gamma\gamma}^2 \frac{\rho_a}{m_a^2} B_0^2 V \boxed{\sum_k C_k \omega_k \delta(\omega_k-\omega_a)}$$

$$\int d\omega(\omega/d\omega)\delta(\omega-\omega_a) \approx Q$$

(for any DM axion wave's $Q_a \leq Q_{\text{cavity}}$)

Cavity's $|0\rangle \longrightarrow |1\rangle$ state transition rate is **indeed enhanced** by the cavity quality factor that matches with the DM wave's.

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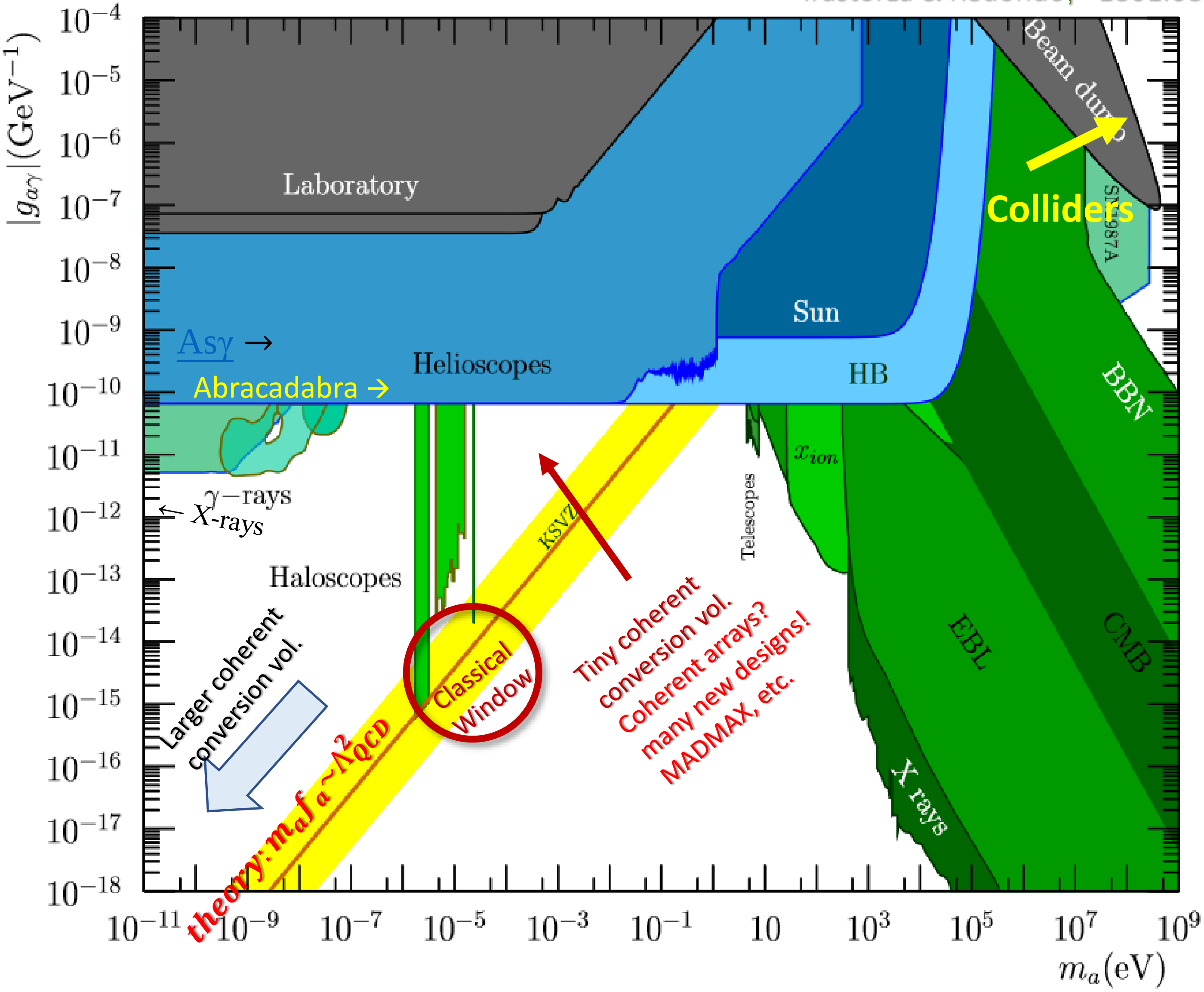
* This is consistent with classical oscillation calculations.

* Opens up new methods based on single photons: dual-path HBT, antibunching…

What about lower/higher m_a?

Irastorza & Redondo, 1801.08127



Colliders

Larger coherent conversion vol.

Classical Window

Tiny coherent conversion vol. Coherent arrays? many new designs! MADMAX, etc.

theory: $m_a f_a \sim \Lambda^2_{QCD}$

W/O cavity? – `aQED' induction effects

- axion-modified Maxwell equations:

Effective charge: (suppressed as $v_a \ll 1$)
($j^0$of the locally conserved 4-current $\partial_\mu j_a^\mu$=0)

$$\vec{\nabla}\cdot\vec{E} = \rho_e + \underline{g\vec{B}\cdot\nabla a}$$

$$\vec{\nabla}\times\vec{B} - \frac{\partial\vec{E}}{\partial t} = \underline{g\vec{E}\times\vec{\nabla}a} - \underline{g\vec{B}\frac{\partial a}{\partial t}} + \vec{j}_e$$

$$\vec{\nabla}\cdot\vec{B} = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla}\times\vec{E} = -\frac{\partial\vec{B}}{\partial t} \; ,$$

Axio-magnetic current:
ADMX-SLIC(LC), Abracadabra, DM-Radio, etc

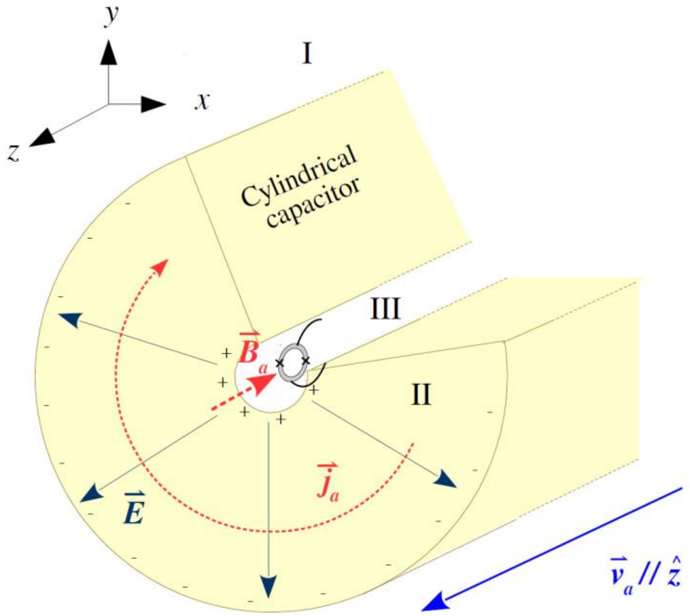
Axio-electric current $\vec{j}_a = g\vec{E}\times\vec{\nabla}a$

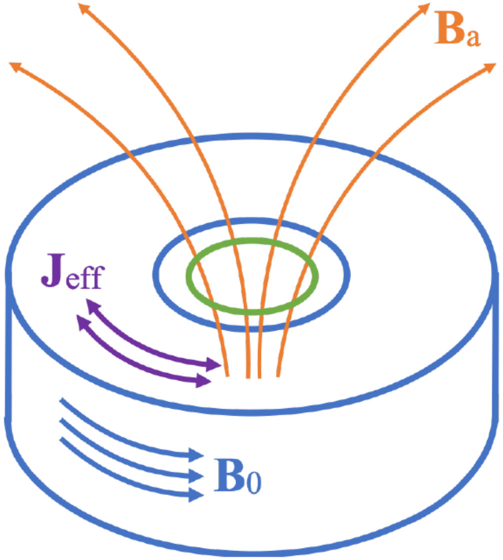
DM axion flow Induces a magnetic signal
inside E field: see 2012.13946 (broad-band)
& 2204.14033 (narrow-band)

Axion's effective sources:

effective (moving) charge &
effective displacement currents

Axio-electric & axio-magnetic effective currents





$\vec{E} \times \vec{k}_a$

j_a under *E* field：
Depend on both E field
and axion flow directions

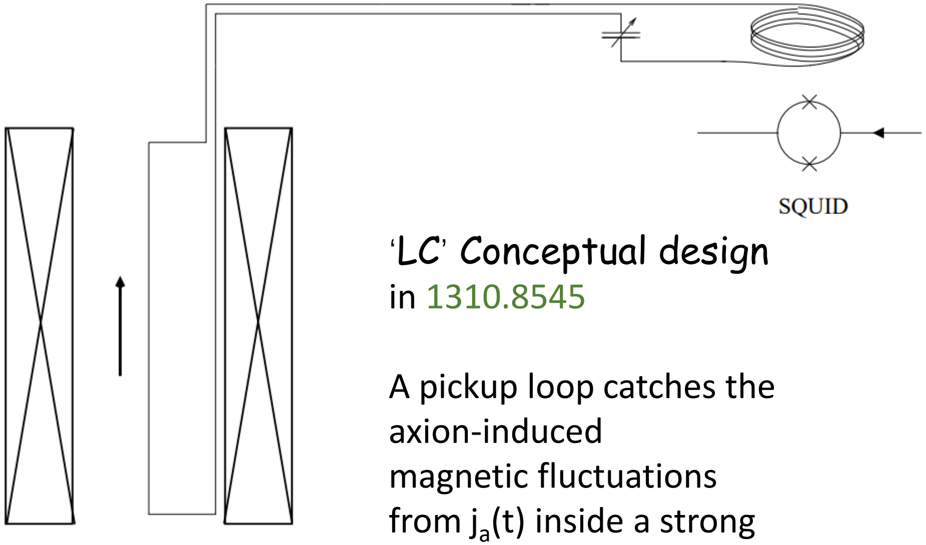
$\vec{B} \cdot \partial_t a$

j_a under *B* field：
(anti)parallel with
B field direction

Magnetic signal from B field

- ‘LC’-type designs: ADMX-SLIC, Abracadabra, DM-Radio, etc.

Enhanced by LC resonance
and measured with a
quantum magnetometer



‘LC’ *Conceptual design*
in 1310.8545

A pickup loop catches the axion-induced magnetic fluctuations from $j_a(t)$ inside a strong lab *B* field

Realization in ADMX-SLIC (2019)

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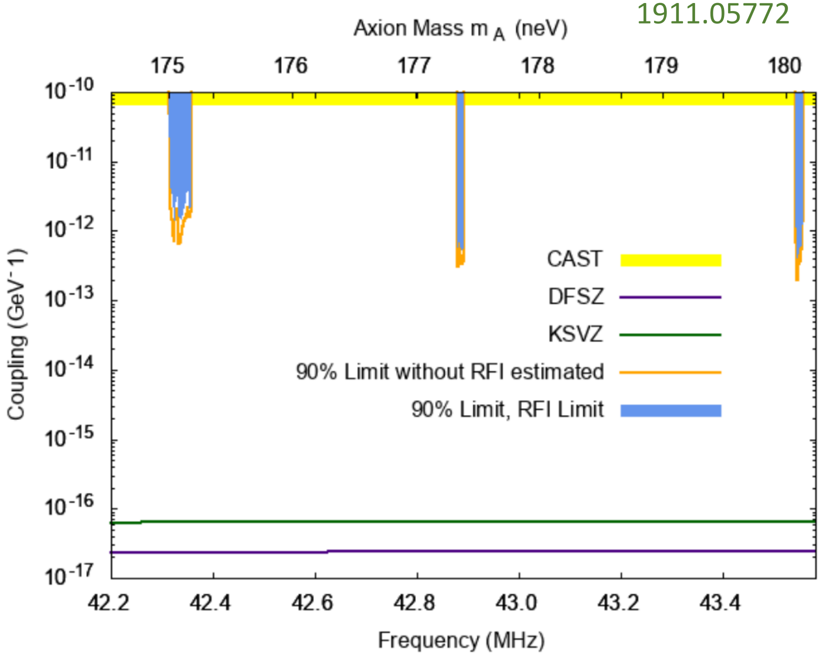


Resonance without a cavity

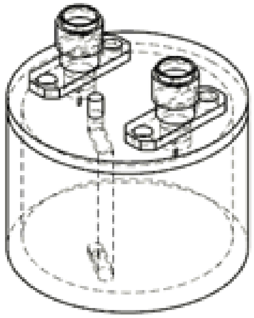
High quality factor filtering is still essential for non-cavity.

$$R = g_{a\gamma\gamma}^2 \frac{\rho_a}{m_a^2} B_0^2 C_k V Q$$

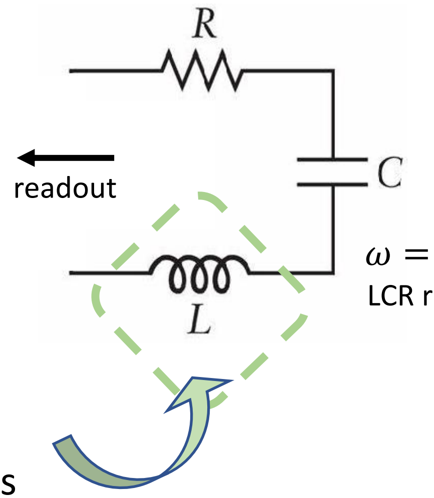
Popular solution: electronic (LC) circuit (P.Sikivie,13')
resonance tuned to axion frequency
(used in ADMX-SLIC, ABRACADABRA, BASE, etc.)

tunable cavity

$\omega_{010} = \omega_a$



Long wavelength



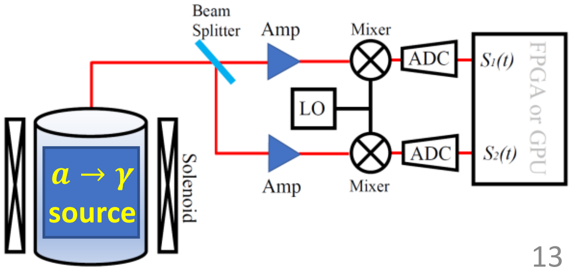
$\omega = 1/\sqrt{LC}$

LCR resonance

Coupled
to axion's
j_a - induced signal with ω_a

Inter-disciplinary:

Lower freq. means more severe noises.
Input from Quantum Optics,
HBT interferometry (see 2201.08291) etc.



$\vec{E}$ field or $\vec{B}$ field?

[As the medium]

- Both induce effective currents
- *B* field is (*by Nature's choice*) more effective in *conversion rate:*
  * 10 Tesla ~ v_{DM}*10^{13} V/m
  * j_a in *E* has velocity suppression.

- Strong solenoid *B* field: instabilities?
- *E* field: j_a has directional dependance – 24 hr modulation
- *E* field: apparatus orientation dependance – bkg veto
- E field is cheaply maintained as a static field ⟶ less fluctuation

[As the signal]

- Both E and B signals can be quite efficiently measured nowadays. (down to ~ single photon level)
- Typical E field signal:
  * cavity's resonance modes.
  * voltage differences.
- Typical B field signal:
  * induced magnetic flux

- Pick E or B that easily distinguishes from the experimental background.

(Cavity: *E* signal from solenoid *B*)

Magnetic signal from *E* field (broadband)

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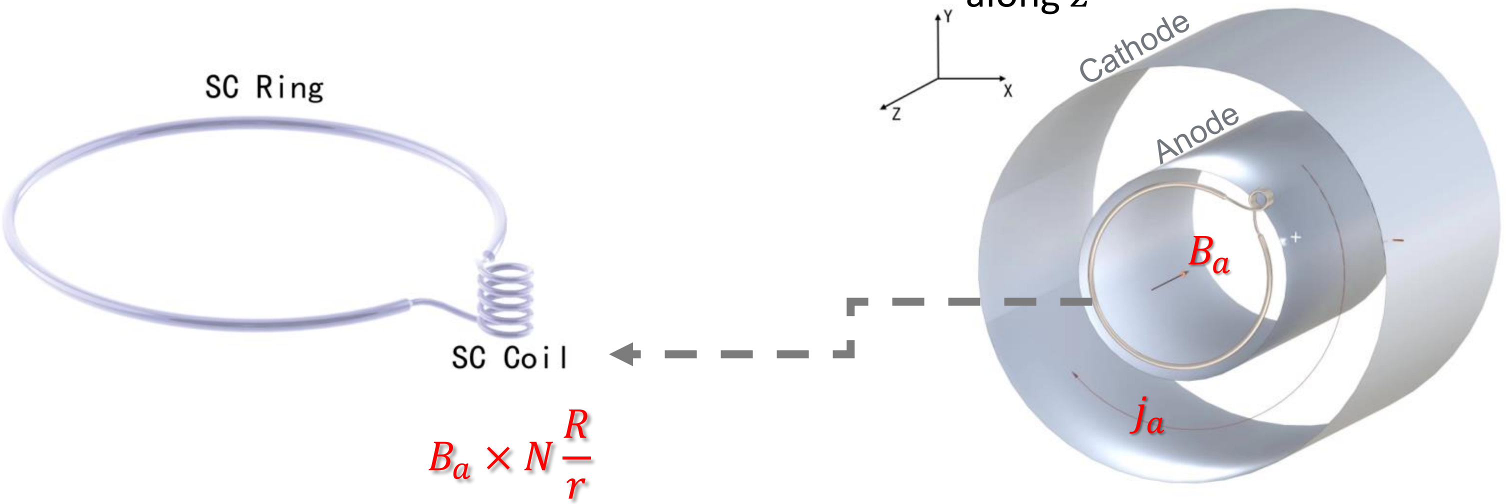
DM axion flow along $\hat{z}$



$B_a \times N \frac{R}{r}$

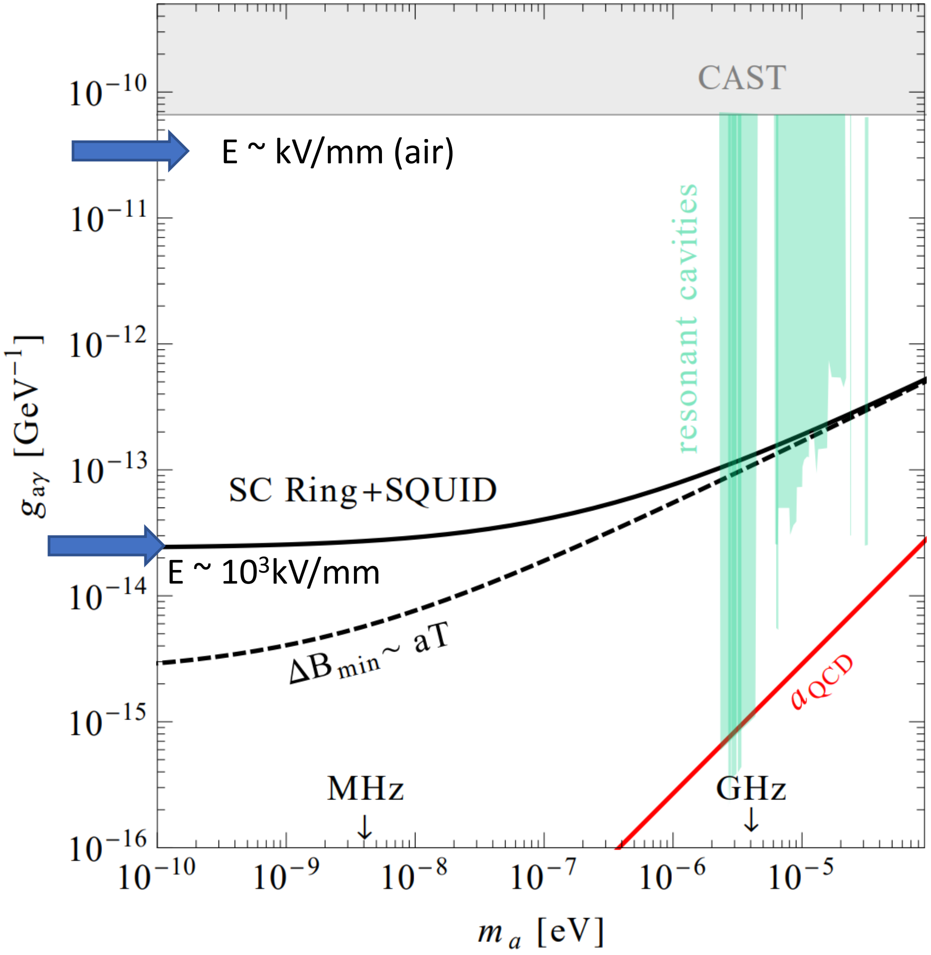
Pure inductance SC pickup coils: Low noise, high signal gain.

Broad-band:

* not resonance enhanced

* compared signal magnitude to detector sensitivity.

- **Cylindrical capacitor**: between plate electrodes, the radial static E field, j_a forms alternating loops.
- Modern SQUIDS sensitive to $\delta B \sim 10^{-15}$ T
- **No strong B field** near pickup ring



E ~ kV/mm (air)

E ~ 10^3kV/mm

Induction signal along cylinder axis:

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\begin{aligned}
B_a &= \mu_0 R j_a = g_{a\gamma} \bar{E}_0 v \sqrt{2\rho_{CDM}} R\cos(\omega_a t) \\
&= 2.0 \times 10^{-7}\mathrm{T} \left(\frac{g_{a\gamma}}{\mathrm{GeV}^{-1}}\right) \left(\frac{\bar{E}_0}{\mathrm{Gvolt/m}}\right) \left(\frac{R}{1\mathrm{m}}\right) \\
&\times \cos(\omega_a t)
\end{aligned}
$$

SQUID sensitivity reach

$$
\Delta B \sim 10^{-16}\ \mathrm{Tesla} \cdot \sqrt{\Delta f/\mathrm{Hz}} + \Delta B_{\mathrm{min}}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
g_{a\gamma} &= 1.7 \times 10^{-13}\mathrm{GeV}^{-1} \left(\frac{1\mathrm{m}}{R}\right) \left(\frac{1\mathrm{GV/m}}{\bar{E}_0}\right) \left(\frac{10^4}{M_B}\right) \\
&\cdot \sqrt{\frac{m_a}{10^{-5}\mathrm{eV}} \frac{\delta v}{10^{-7}}}
\end{aligned}
$$

Directionality: signal is daily modulated
and depends on apparatus orientation

Magnetic signal from *E* field (LC-res.)

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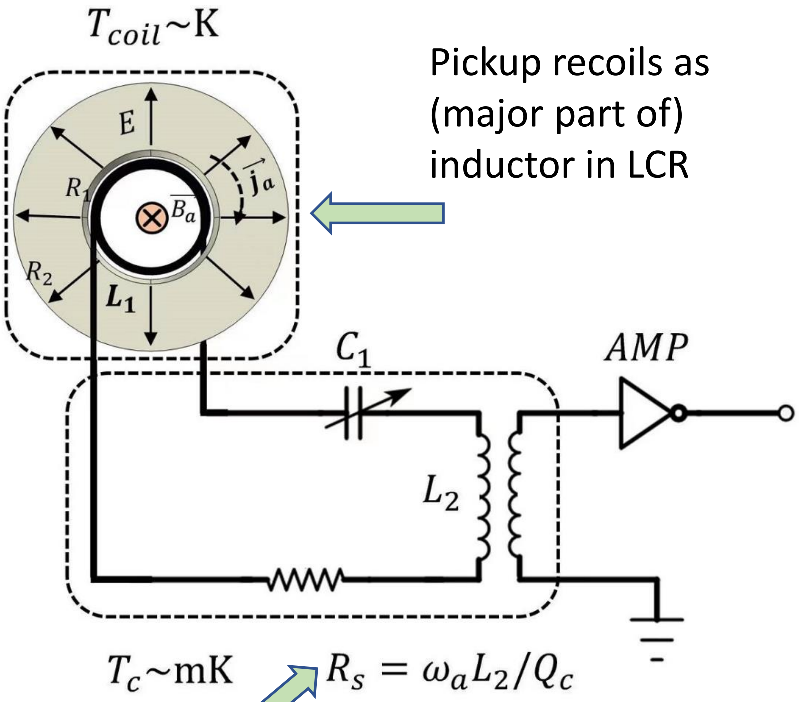
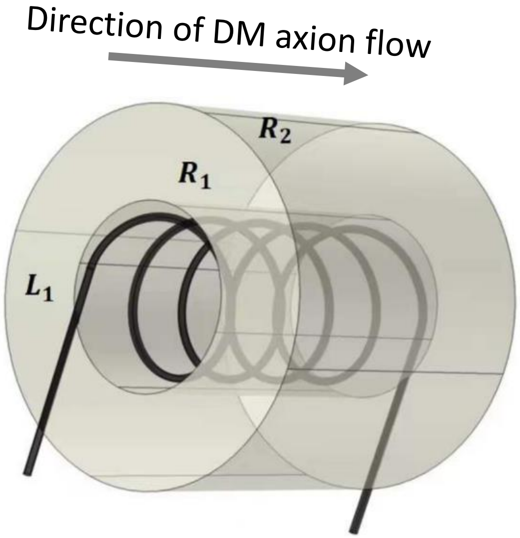
Cylindrical capacitor
+ LCR resonance enhancement

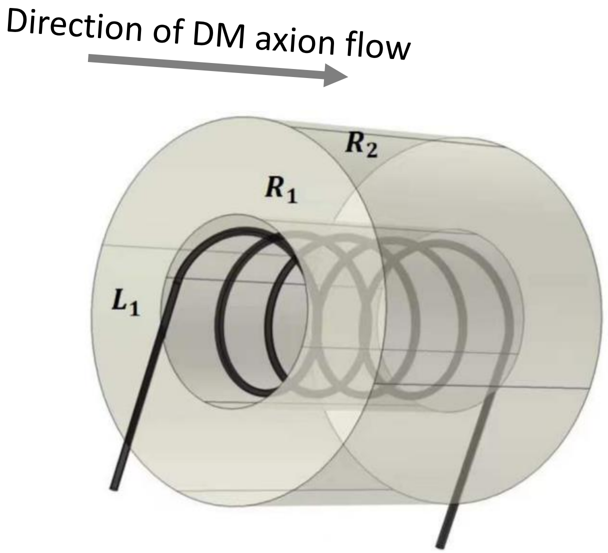


Pickup recoils as
(major part of)
inductor in LCR

Low *T* on resistance parts
for noise control.



* Originate from the search for the (dipole) radiating power from an alternating j_a loop
* Connect a LCR circuit to the coil pickup
* High *Q* resonant point requires relatively low resistance – need SC parts.
* Fast resonance saturation (~ f^{-1})
* Loose winding to let in the induced signal



Pickup Inductance ~ 10μH per meter for mm–diameter wiring

SC: Lenient on pickup temperature:
NbTi superconductor transition ~ 9.7K
Allow for a sizeable pick coil.

Axion-induced B field strength:

$$B_a = g_{a\gamma} E_0 v_{\rm DM} c_R \sqrt{2\rho_{\rm DM}} R_1$$

$$\sim 2\times 10^{-10}{\rm T}\cdot\left(\frac{g_{a\gamma}}{{\rm GeV}^{-1}}\right)\left(\frac{E_0}{10^7{\rm V/m}}\right)\left(\frac{R_1}{0.1{\rm m}}\right)$$

Signal current:

$$I_a = Q_c \cdot (\pi R_1^2 N_1 B_a L^{-1}) \cos\omega t$$

LCR capacitance (~ 0.1 GHz)

$$C = (2\pi f)^{-2}/L \sim 0.3{\rm pF}\,(\mu{\rm H}/L)\,(0.1\ {\rm GHz}/f)^2$$

$Q_c = \omega_a L/R_s$ matches with axion's Q~10^6.

Maximal LCR dissipation power:
(saturate to axion conversion)

$$P_{\rm dis.} = Q_c \cdot (N_1 \Phi_a/L)^2 \omega_a L/2$$

Low resistance @ LCR resonance:

$$R_s = \omega L / Q_c = \ 0.04\Omega \cdot (f/\mathrm{GHz})$$

Helps reduce thermal noise under cryogenic cond. (T_c ~ mK)
SC coils need a less stringent temperature (K)
(yet its thermal noise should not exceed that in LCR)

Modest, medium & optimistic setups

Benchmark	R_1(m)	N_1	E(V/m)	T_c(mK)
A	0.2	5	10^6	10
B	1	10	10^7	1
C	3	20	10^9	1

Insulators:

Dry Air:	~ kV/mm
Mica:	~ 10^2-10^3 kV/mm
Diamond:	~ 10^4 kV/mm

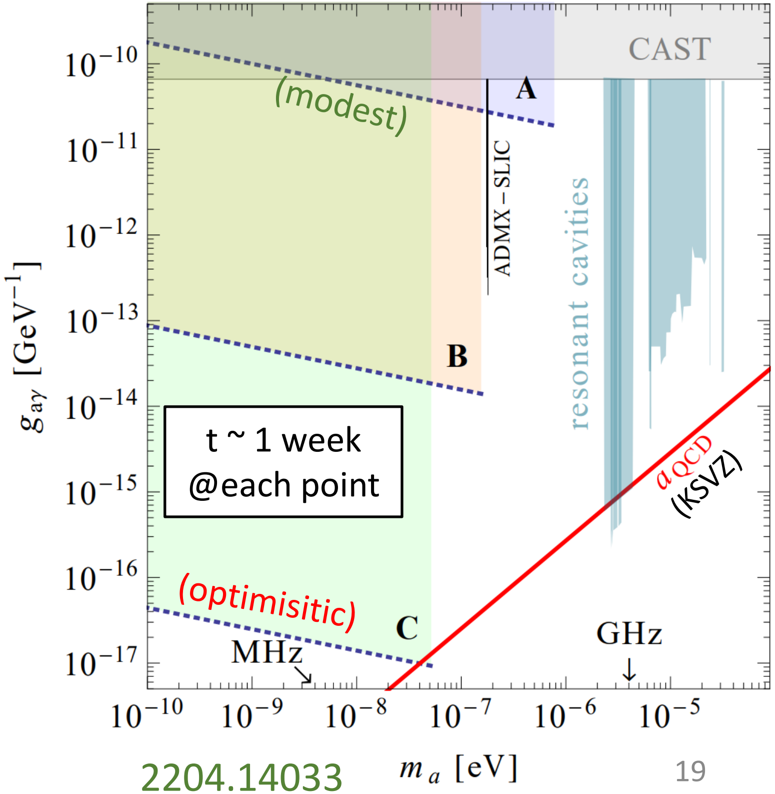
Assuming the LCR's noise (**it's amplified**) dominates total noise

$$P_n = \boxed{k_B T_c \Delta f} + k_B T_D \Delta f$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathrm{SNR} &= \frac{(Q_c N_1 \Phi_a / L)^2 R_s}{2 k_B T_c} \sqrt{\frac{t}{\Delta f}} \ , \\ &= \frac{Q_c (N_1 \cdot \pi R_1^2 B_a)^2}{2 L k_B T_c} \sqrt{Q_c \cdot 2\pi\omega_a \cdot t}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}g_{a\gamma} &= \frac{\sqrt{\mathrm{SNR} \cdot 2 N_1 L_{1,0} \cdot k_B T_c}}{(\pi R_1^3 N_1 E_0 v_a c_R \sqrt{2\rho_{\mathrm{DM}}}) \sqrt[4]{Q_c^3 \ 2\pi\omega_a t}}, \\ &\approx 1.6 \times 10^{-12} \ \mathrm{GeV}^{-1} \left(\frac{R_1}{1 \ \mathrm{m}}\right)^{-3} \left(\frac{E_0}{\mathrm{MVm}^{-1}}\right) \\ &\times \left(\frac{m_a}{10^{-6} \ \mathrm{eV}} \cdot \frac{t}{\mathrm{hr}}\right)^{-1/4} \ ,\end{aligned}$$

Better sens. at larger size, E-field, coil turns



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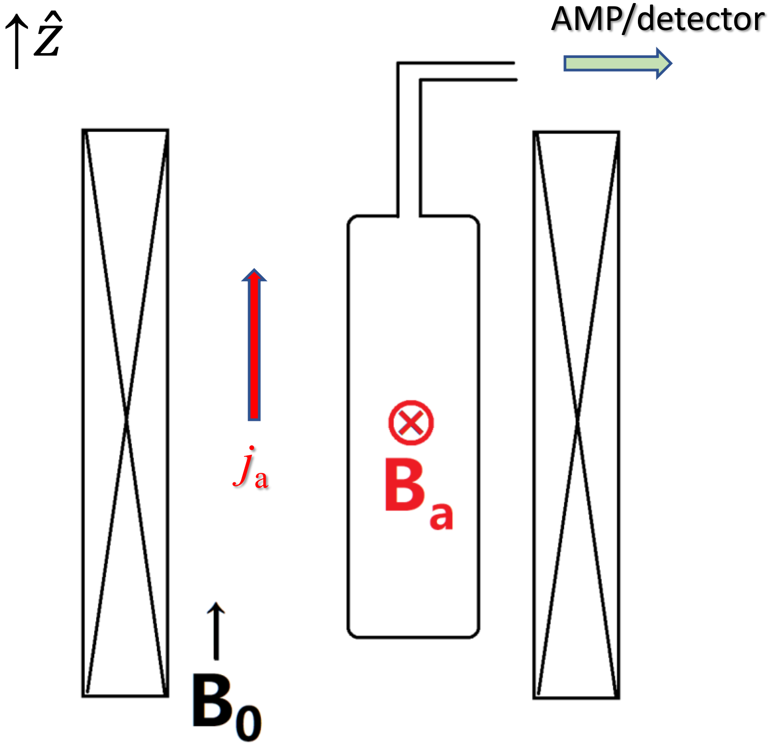
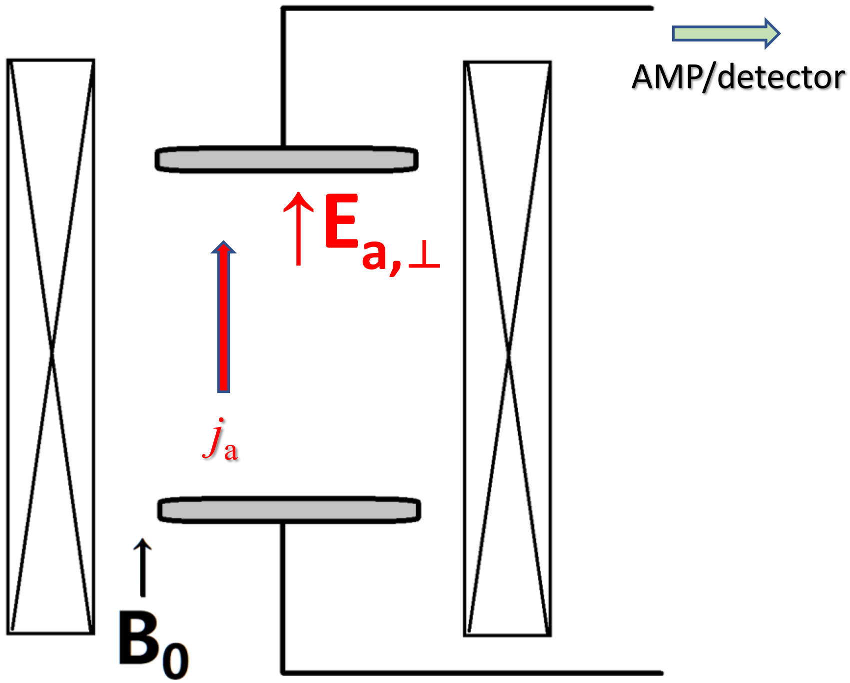
E field as the signal

Effective current j_a (under a static B field) induces both time-variant mag. & ele. signals



See 1803.07755 for a broadband attempt (UWA)



B_a signal: magnetic flux at pickup loop

$$P_{sig.} = \frac{\langle \Phi^2 \rangle}{L}\omega$$

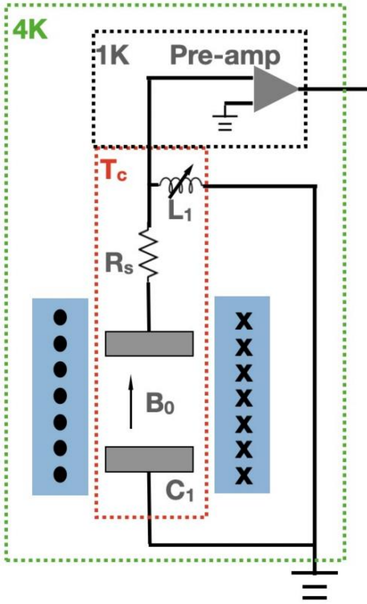
E_a signal: charge buildup on surface(s)

$$P_{sig.} = \frac{\langle q^2 \rangle}{C}\omega$$

E Signal power strength

Is E_a signal a good way to catch the DM axion oscillation signal?

Experimental sizes/detectors/noises vary.
Yet we can compare the axion conversion (signal) power.



Charge accumulation on plate surface: $q = \int \vec{E} \cdot \mathrm{d}\vec{A},$

Pair of parallel plates form a capacitor: $C \sim \pi R^2/d$

Use a LCR enhancement on current: $I_a = Q_c \cdot q_0 \omega \cos(\omega t)$

actual charge
build up

Geometric form factor: $\eta = q/q_{max}$
(ratio of actual/max charge)

$$\eta(\omega) \equiv \frac{\int \vec{E}_a \cdot \mathrm{d}\vec{A}}{\int g_{a\gamma} a \vec{B}_0 \cdot \mathrm{d}\vec{A}}$$

theoretical upper limit:
$E \sim g_{a\gamma} * a * B$

at `optimal' frequencies
one would have η~O(1)

As good as a cavity haloscope?

LCR enhanced signal power:

$$P_{\rm sig} = \frac{(Q_c \omega q_0)^2}{2 Q_c \omega C}$$

$$= Q_c \cdot \left(g_{a\gamma}^2 \eta(\omega)^2 \cdot \frac{\rho_{\rm DM}}{m_a} B_0^2 \right) \cdot \boxed{\pi R^2 d}$$

A **volume-dimension quantity**: grasps the size of the region that axion field converts coherently to EM.

At the maximal wavelength (half-wave cutoff)

$$V \sim \left(\frac{\lambda}{2}\right)^3 = (\pi/m_a)^3$$

$$P_{\rm sig} = \mathcal{C} Q_c \cdot g_{a\gamma}^2 \cdot \frac{\rho_{\rm DM}}{m_a} B_0^2 \cdot V.$$

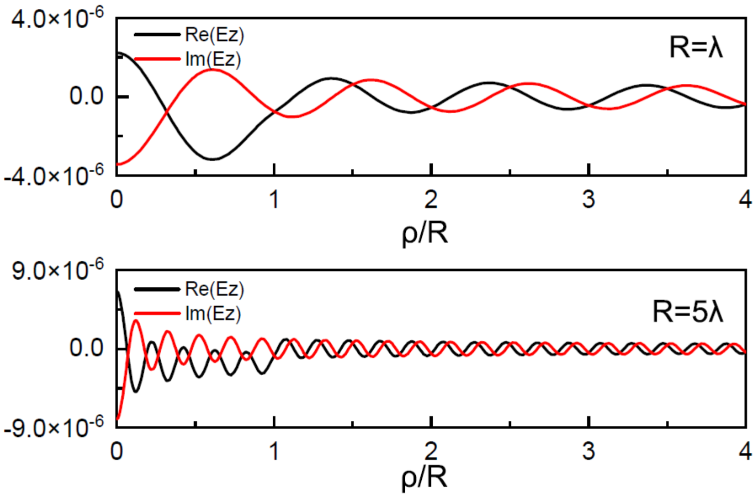
Form factor $\mathcal{C} = \eta^2 f_c^{-1}$ is around unity at cut-off

$$P_{\rm sig} < \mathcal{O}(1) \cdot Q \cdot \pi^3 \cdot \frac{g_{a\gamma}^2 \rho_{\rm DM} B_0^2}{m_a^4}$$

(* same signal power af for a cavity haloscope)

Complication w geometric factors

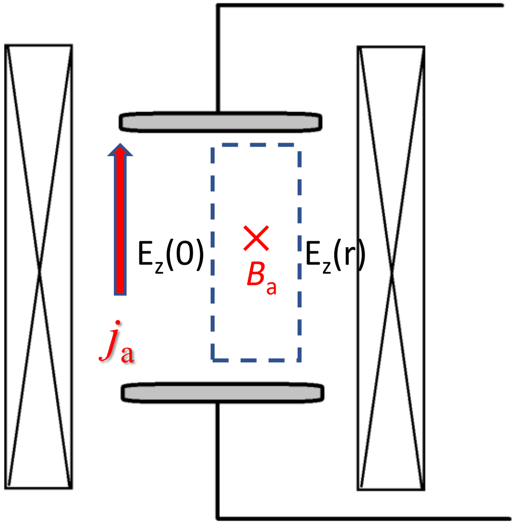
Long solenoid analytic solutions,
see 1803.07755, 1812.05487



Simulated Ez distribution, 2206.13543

Ez isn't homogeneous; form factor depends on freq.

$$\eta(\omega) \approx \frac{1}{\pi R^2}\left|\int_0^R [\alpha(\omega)J_0(\omega r)-1]\cdot 2\pi r dr\right|$$
$$= \left|i\pi J_1(\omega R)H_1^+(\omega R)-1\right|$$



Evenly distributed ja generates a difference btw $E_z(r\neq 0)$ and $E_z(0)$

E_z field is $(\omega R)^2$ suppressed

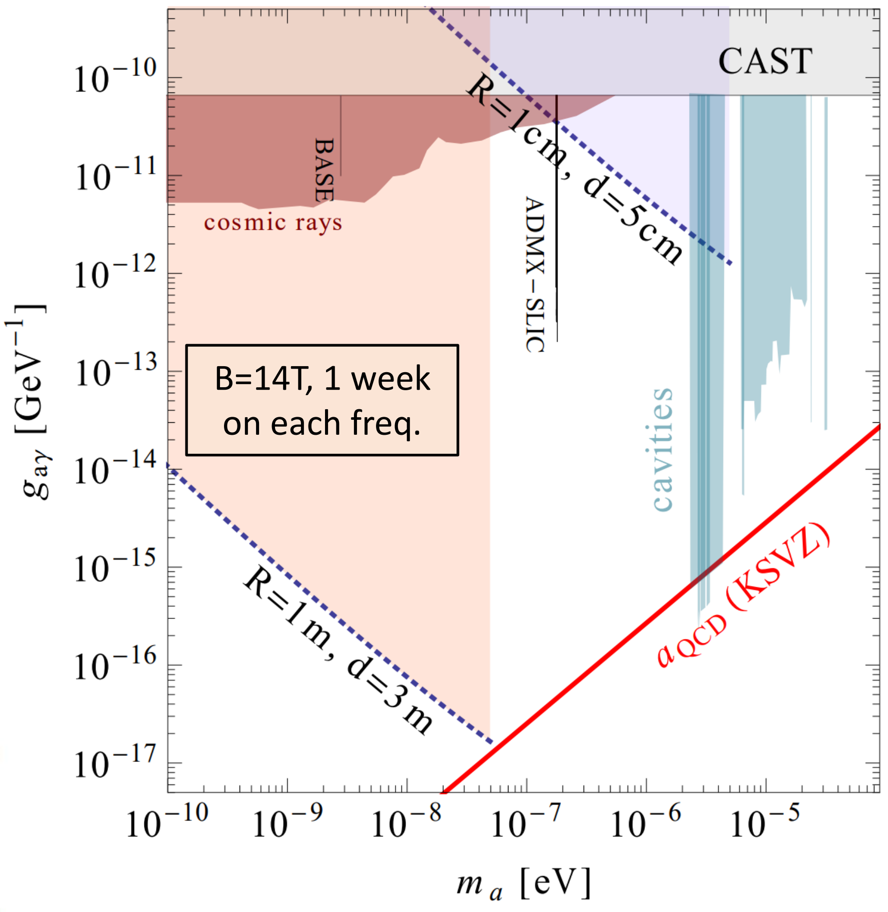
Electric sensitivity (w LCR res.)

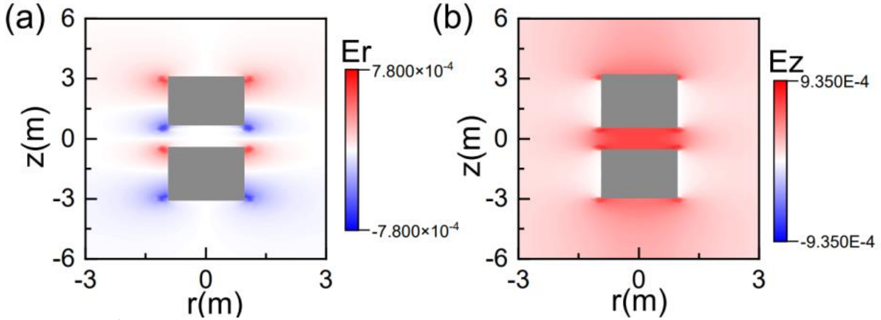
j_a induced electric signal inside a solenoid
Resonance-enhanced design 2206.13543

- * *ready to go with most cryo. magnets.*
- * *R*esonant *ELE*ctric *A*xion *P*robe (ReLEAP)

- * Best sensitivity at larger frequency
- * other geometric setups are possible

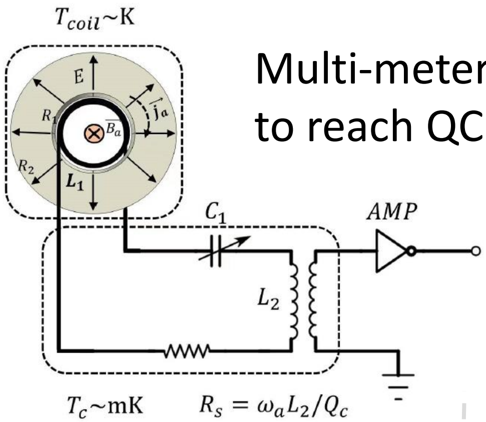
$$g_{a\gamma}^{\rm limit} = \left(\frac{{\rm SNR} \cdot 2k_B T_N}{\eta^2 f_c^{-1} R^2 d \ \rho_{\rm DM} B_0^2 \sqrt{\Delta t}} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{m_a}{2\pi Q_c} \right)^{3/4}$$



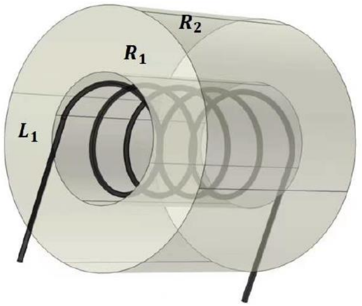


E field components: EM sim by Comsol

New haloscopes: open up $m_a < \mu eV$ range



Multi-meter scale
to reach QCD axion f_a



Magnetic signal
from DM axion wind
through a strong *E* field
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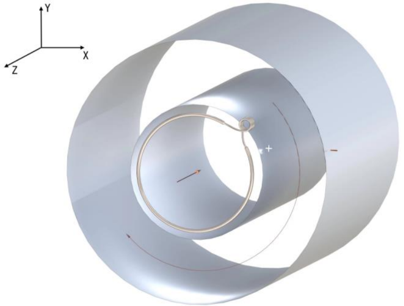
More ideas?



Broadband probe
with state-of-art
magnetometers
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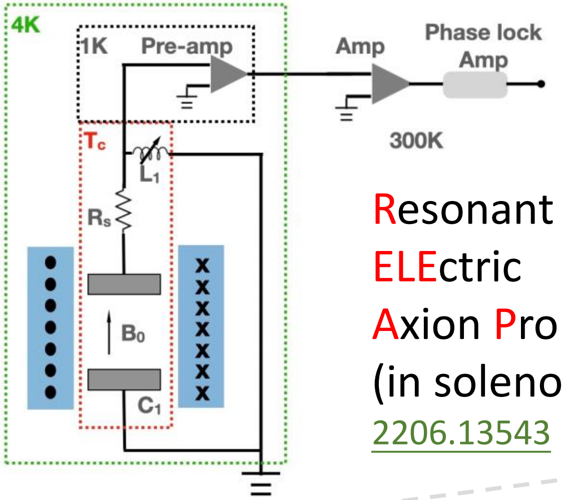
Also see:
spin-based sensors:
(Diamond NV, etc.)



Resonant
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Axion **P**robe
(in solenoid)
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& DM-Radio
Magnetic signal
from DM axion
in a strong B field
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