# Search for DPDM with Tunable SRF Cavities

# **Outline**



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# Motivation of ultralight dark matter

## **Various DM candidate**



#### **Wave-like DM**

particle-like DM

There's a broad spectrum of possible particles with varied masses and interaction strengths, making experimental searches challenging.

# The ultra-light DM

 $QM:$  All matter exhibits both particle and wave properties.



Wavelengths at macroscopic scales, manifesting as a wavelike background field



(m~10-22 eV)

galactic scales(kpc)

Astronomical observation (time, position, velocity, polarization, etc)

Distinct from traditional dark matter detection (particle scattering)

enormous potential for development in this field



 $m_a \sim \text{GHz} \sim 10^{-6} \text{ eV}$ 



# Current DPDM search



Haloscope sensitivity largely depends on Q: Superconducting cavity has Q~10^{10}



## to detect

how to make use it? 5 orders more than traditional cavity.

Axion limit webpage: <https://github.com/cajohare/AxionLimits/blob/master/docs/dp.md>

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# Spectrum of Ultra-light Dark Matter

The Virial Theorem: the velocity of dark matter near Earth is approximately  $10^{\lambda}$ -3 boosted by gravity.

$$
a(t) = \frac{\sqrt{2\rho_{\rm DM}}}{m_a} \cos(m_a t + \phi)
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\text{Frequency:}~~\omega_a\simeq\text{GHz}~\frac{m_a}{10^{-6}\text{ eV}}
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\text{Coherence:} \quad \tau_a \simeq \text{ms } \frac{10^{-6} \text{ eV}}{m_a}
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\text{Max Exp. Size: } \lambda_a \simeq 200 \text{ m } \frac{10^{-6} \text{ eV}}{m_a}
$$

Axion DM as an example, same for other kinds (DPDM, etc)

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\tau_a \sim 1/m_a \langle v_{\rm DM}^2 \rangle \sim Q_a/m_a \sim 10^6/m_a
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Bandwidth of axion DM is  $10^{\circ}$ -6

Detector bandwidth  $\leq 10^{n}$ -6 accelerate the scan rate

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\lambda_a \sim 1/m_a \sqrt{\langle v_{\rm DM}^2\rangle} \sim 10^3/m_a
$$

Momentum width  $10^x - 3$ 

# SRF Cavity Project for DPDM

### **SRF Cavity**

- Significant  $Q_0 > 10^{10}$  compared to copper cavity with  $Q_0 \leq 10^6$ .
- Superconducting Radio-Frequency (SRF) Cavities: extremely high  $Q_0 \simeq 10^{10} \rightarrow$  improve SNR  $\propto Q_0^{1/4}$
- $\blacktriangleright$  1-cell elliptical niobium cavity with mechanical tuner, immersed in liquid helium at  $T \sim 2 K$
- TM<sub>010</sub> mode: z-aligned  $\vec{E}$ , maximizes the overlap for dark photon dark matter (DPDM)



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\epsilon \approx 10^{-16} \left(\frac{10^{10}}{Q_0}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left(\frac{4 \, \text{L}}{V}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{0.5}{\text{C}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{100 \, \text{s}}{t_{\text{int}}}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left(\frac{1.3 \, \text{GHz}}{f_0}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left(\frac{T_{\text{amp}}}{3 \, \text{K}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}},
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#### **SRF Cavity Searches for Dark Photon Dark Matter: First Scan Results**

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# Experimental operation

#### Parameters



#### microwave electronics for DPDM searches



# Step 1: Measure Cavity property



1-2 connection: VTS measurement for the cavity property.

# Step 2: calibration



1-3 connection: calibration by subtracting the line loss to get the total gain G net.

# Step 3: Do experiment



2-3 connection: tune the cavity resonant frequency to do the experiment

### **Scan Search with Mechanical Tuning**

Tuner arm

Piezo

Cavity

Motor

- $\blacktriangleright$  Mechanical turner scans resonant frequency  $f_0$ with the step  $\sim f_0/Q_{\rm DM}$
- ► Calibrate  $f_0$  and its stability range  $\Delta f_0$  in each scan
- Frequency drift  $\delta f_d \leq 1.5$ Hz and microphonics effect  $\sigma_{f_0} \approx 4 \text{Hz}$



**Conservatively** choose  $\Delta f_0 \approx 10 \text{Hz}$ 

### Data analysis and constraints

- Total 1150 scan steps with each 100s integration time.
- Group every 50 adjacent bins and perform a constant fit to address small helium pressure fluctuation.
- Normal power excess shows Gaussian distribution:  $\blacktriangleright$



First scan search with SRF and most stringent constraints in most  $\blacktriangleright$ exclusion space.



Few comment on  $Q \gg Q$  {DM}



simple fit function (constant): attenuation factor almost 1

different from ADMX

### **Modulated Signal from Galactic Dark Photons**

- Galactic dark photons from DM decay, e.g.: cascade decay from DM halo
- $\triangleright$  Vectorial observable  $\propto \vec{A'}$ 
	- $\rightarrow$  angular-dependent signal  $\propto C(\theta)$
	- $\rightarrow$  modulation as the Earth rotates
- Production is polarization-dependent, modulations for longitude and transverse modes are opposite







### **SRF Constraints for Galactic Dark Photons**

- Same dataset as DPDM search
- Scanned range within galactic dark photon bandwidth  $\rightarrow$ combine all scan steps to analyze
- ► Longitude mode has better sensitivity because of the larger spatial wavefunction



• Gradient color region represents exclusions for different DM mass

### **International SRF Campaigns**

▶ Fermilab SQMS

#### •SERAPH:

Single-bin search and ongoing scan searches.

#### •Dark SRF:

Light-shining-wall search for dark photon.





#### DESY:

#### $\bullet$ MAGO 2.0

Mode transition from GW-induced cavity deformation.



### International SRF Campaigns

### **TWO PROTOTYPES [~ 1 YEAR]**



### **Exermilab**

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# A brief introduction to the team member



### SRF in Peking University





### First 9-cell for ILC

Peking University developed China's first superconducting radio frequency (SRF) accelerator cavity. (1994)

- $Q \sim 1.6 2.4$  E<sup> $\land$ </sup> 10  $\omega$ 16MV/m。
- equivalent level of international laboratories



### Experimental facilities



Liquid helium system 2K pumping system



Vertical DewarCavity suspension Magnetic shielding



Static heat leak: < 1 W residual magnetism<10 mGs Cooling power: >200W@2K

# SRF in IHEP





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# Myself and other collaborations



# Summary and outlook

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High-Q SRF is extremely interesting in Haloscope wave-like DM searches (get deepest constraints).

**ODP** backgrounds has rich information (polarization & angular distribution).

 $\bullet$  In the future (axion, GWs, quantum qubit, etc), much more can be done . (opening, need more people)



# Thank you!