



# **Search for DPDM with Tunable SRF Cavities**

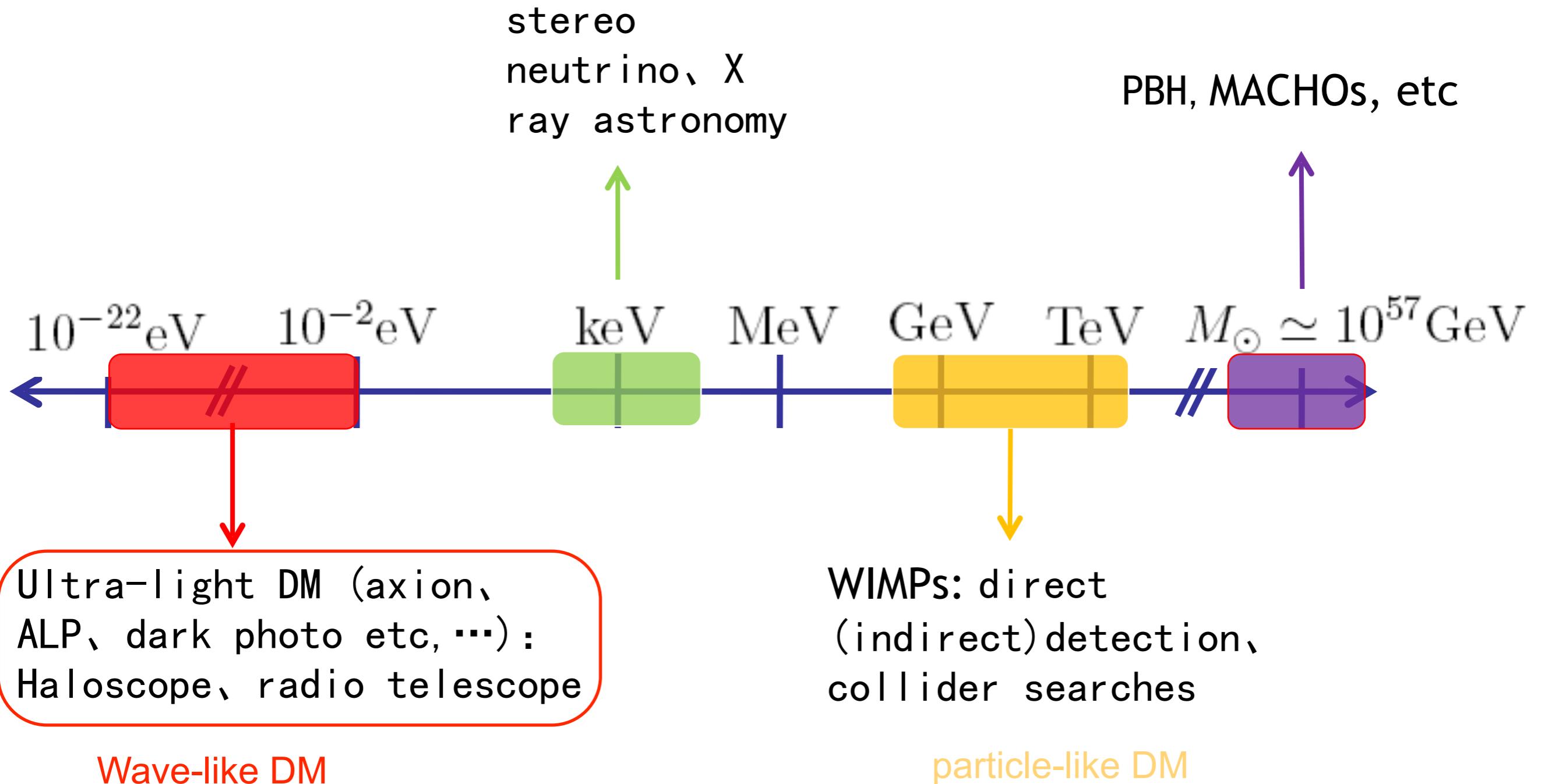
# Outline

- Motivation of ultra-light dark matter search using Superconducting Radio Frequency (SRF) Cavity
- SRF Cavity Project for DPDM search
- SRF Cavity Project for cosmic DP? (preliminary)
- Experimental group
- Summary and Outlook



# Motivation of ultra-light dark matter

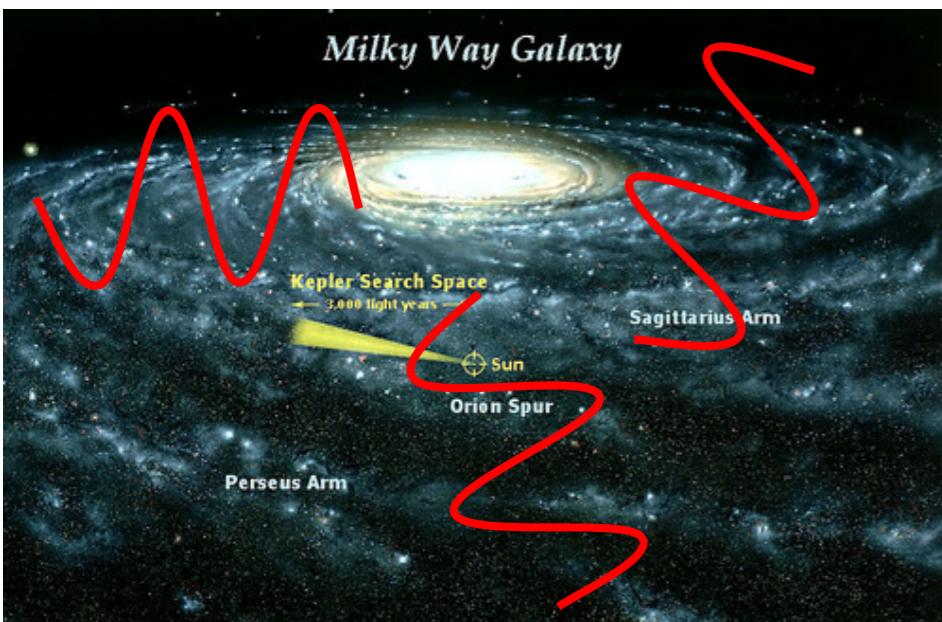
# Various DM candidate



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.



( $m \sim 10^{-22}$  eV)

The de Broglie wavelength:  
galactic scales(kpc)

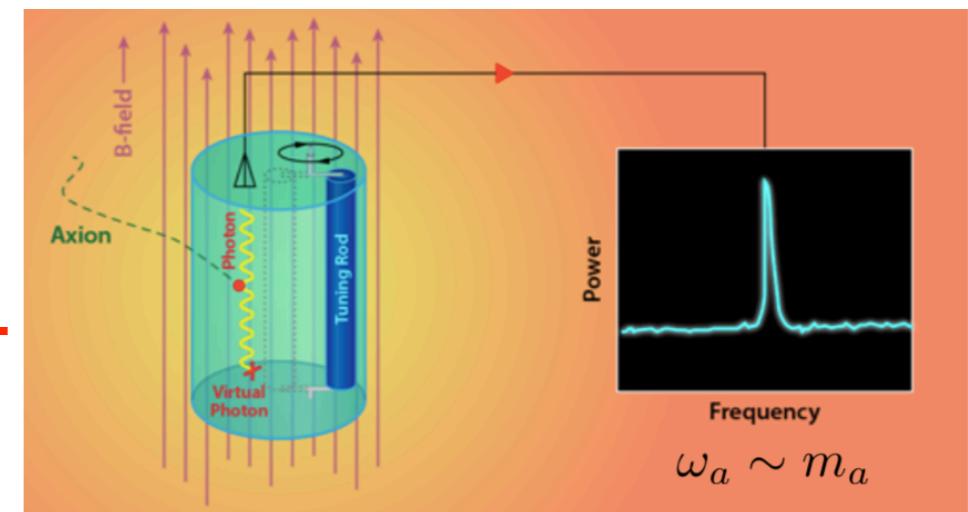
Astronomical observation  
(time, position, velocity,  
polarization, etc)

Wavelengths at  
macroscopic scales,  
manifesting as a wave-  
like background field

Distinct from traditional  
dark matter detection  
(particle scattering)

enormous potential for  
development in this field

similar as the GWs detection



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

Compton wave length (m)

Haloscope, Quantum  
amplifier

New search methods!!!

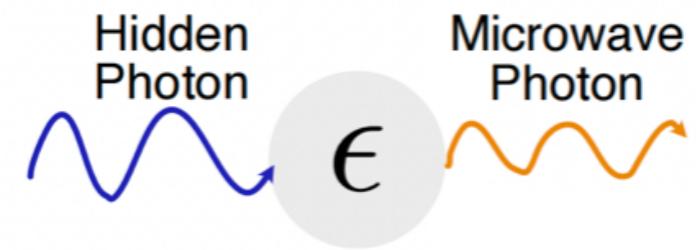
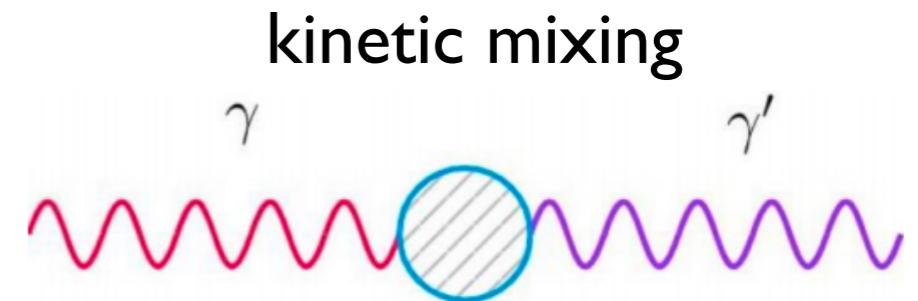
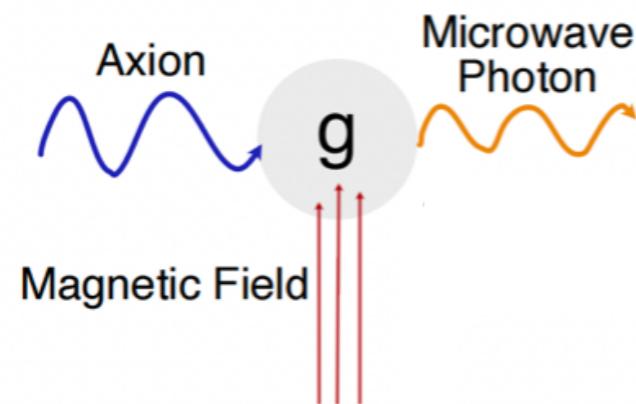
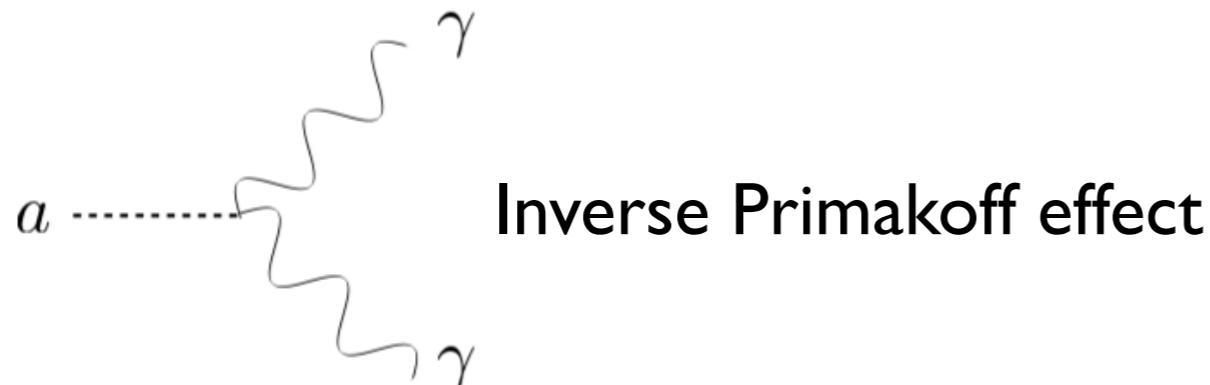
Quantum sensor

# Ultra-light DM candidate

Axion (ALP): spin 0, CP odd

Dark photon: spin 1

mili-charge particles?



$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} \simeq \partial_t \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{J} + \underline{g_{a\gamma\gamma} \mathbf{B} \partial_t a}$$

induces an effective current under strong **magnetic field**.

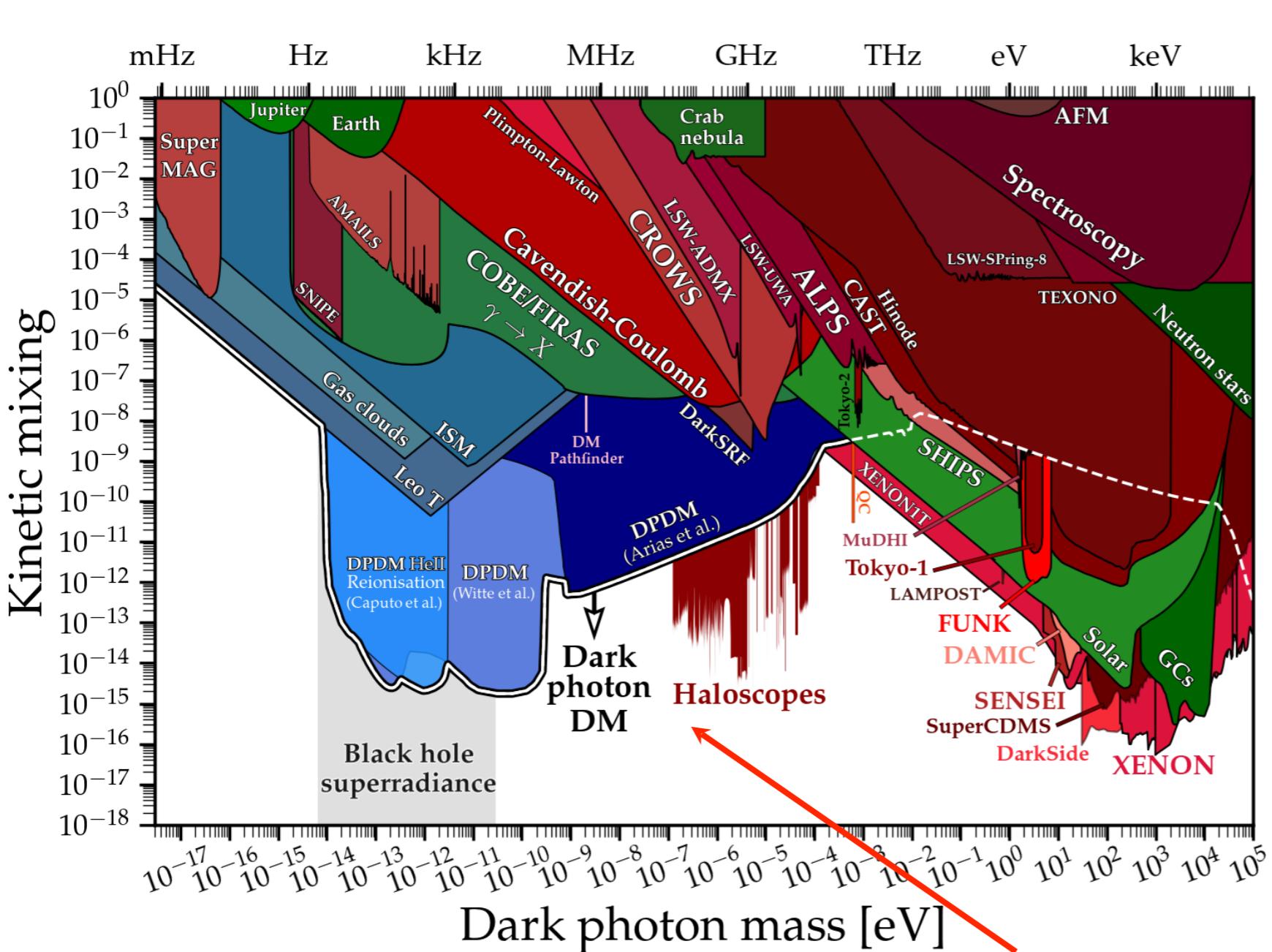
$$\vec{J}_{\text{eff}}^a = g_{a\gamma} \omega_a a \vec{B}_0.$$

□  $\mathcal{L} \supset -\tilde{A}_\mu (e J_{EM}^\mu - \epsilon m_{A'}^2 \tilde{A}'^\mu)$

induces an effective current **anyway**.

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

# Current DPDM search



Still a lot of room  
to detect

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

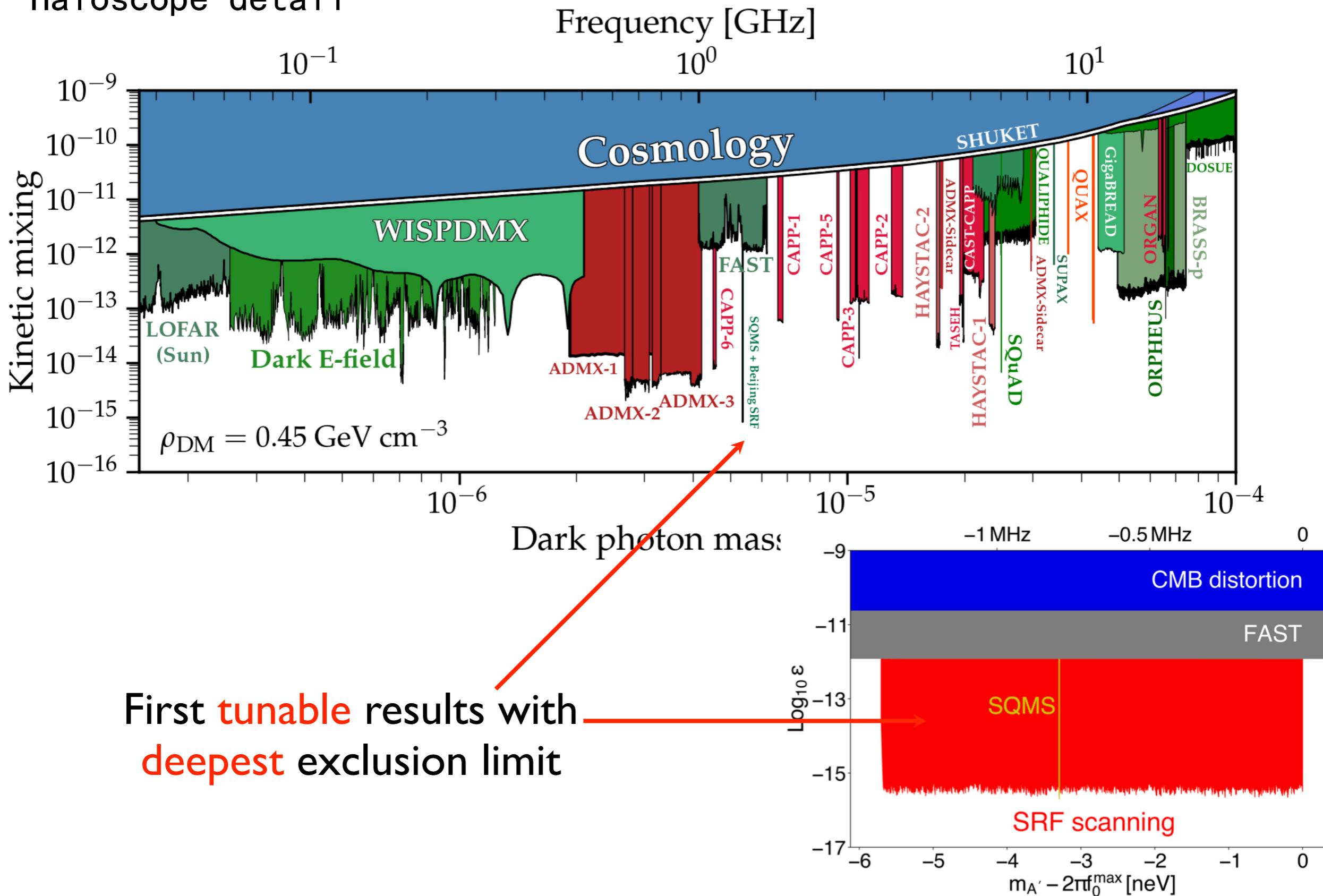
Haloscope sensitivity largely depends on Q:  
Superconducting cavity has  
 $Q \sim 10^{10}$



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

# DPDM search

Haloscope detail



# Spectrum of Ultra-light Dark Matter

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

$$a(t) = \frac{\sqrt{2\rho_{\text{DM}}}}{m_a} \cos(m_a t + \phi)$$

**Frequency:**  $\omega_a \simeq \text{GHz} \frac{m_a}{10^{-6} \text{ eV}}$

**Coherence:**  $\tau_a \simeq \text{ms} \frac{10^{-6} \text{ eV}}{m_a}$

**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)

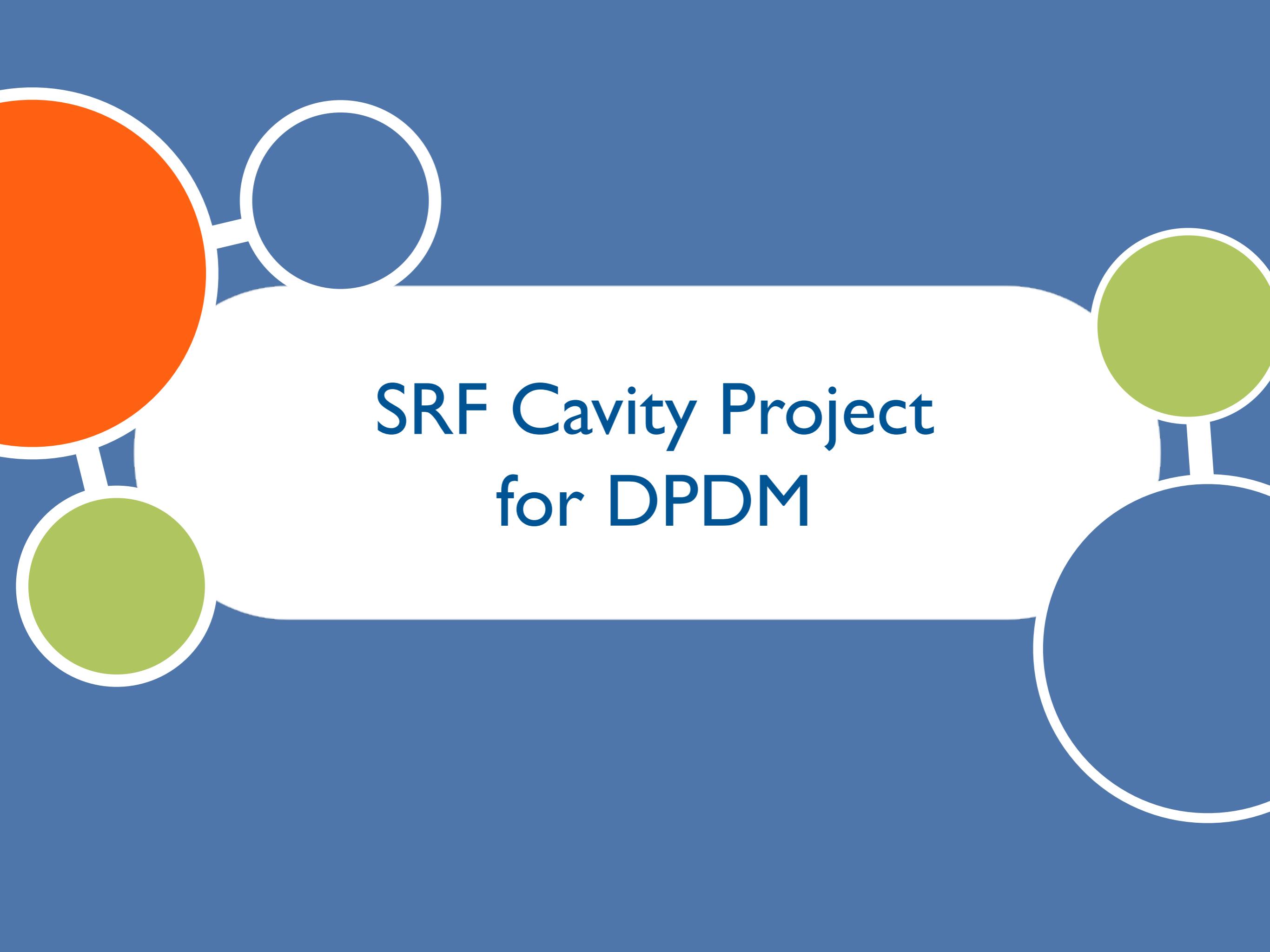
$$\tau_a \sim 1/m_a \langle v_{\text{DM}}^2 \rangle \sim Q_a/m_a \sim 10^6/m_a$$

**Bandwidth of axion DM is  $10^{-6}$**

Detector bandwidth  $< 10^{-6}$   
accelerate the scan rate

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

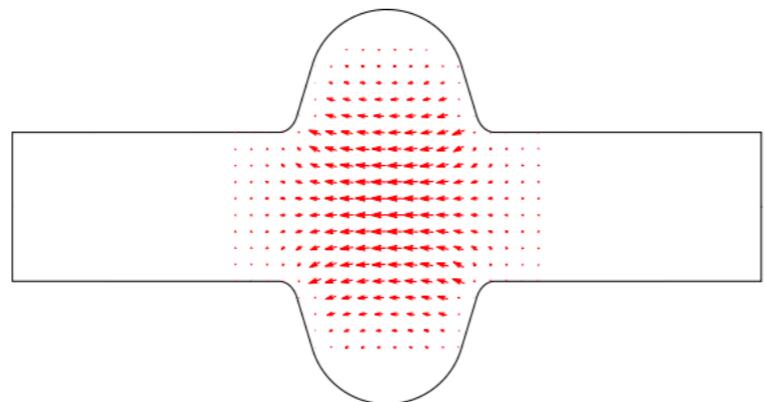
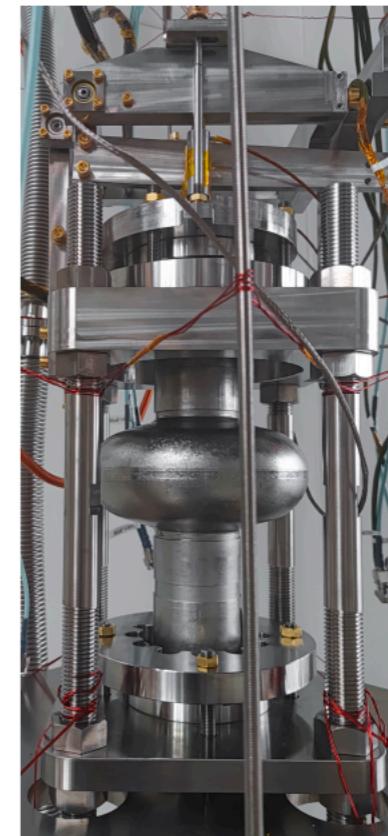
**Momentum width  $10^{-3}$**



# 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  $Q_0 \simeq 10^{10} \rightarrow \text{improve SNR} \propto Q_0^{1/4}$
- ▶ 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)



$$\epsilon \approx 10^{-16} \left( \frac{10^{10}}{Q_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left( \frac{4L}{V} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \frac{0.5}{C} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \frac{100s}{t_{int}} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left( \frac{1.3\text{ GHz}}{f_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left( \frac{T_{amp}}{3K} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

## SRF Cavity Searches for Dark Photon Dark Matter: First Scan Results

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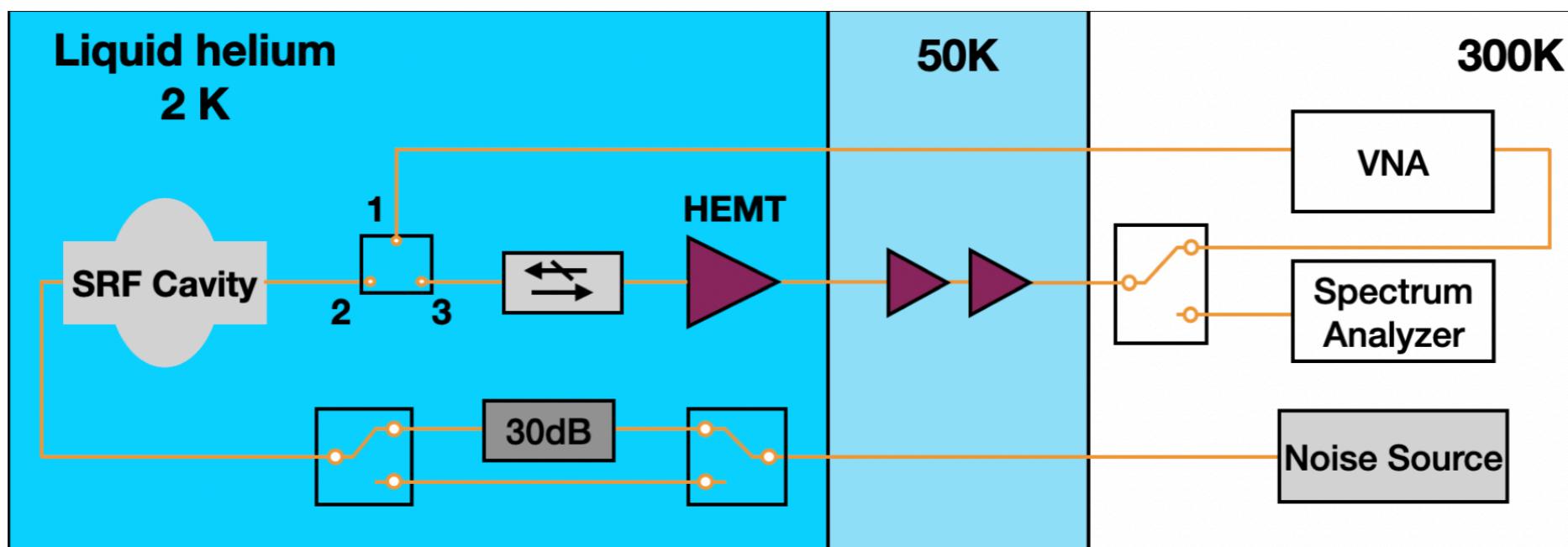
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# Experimental operation

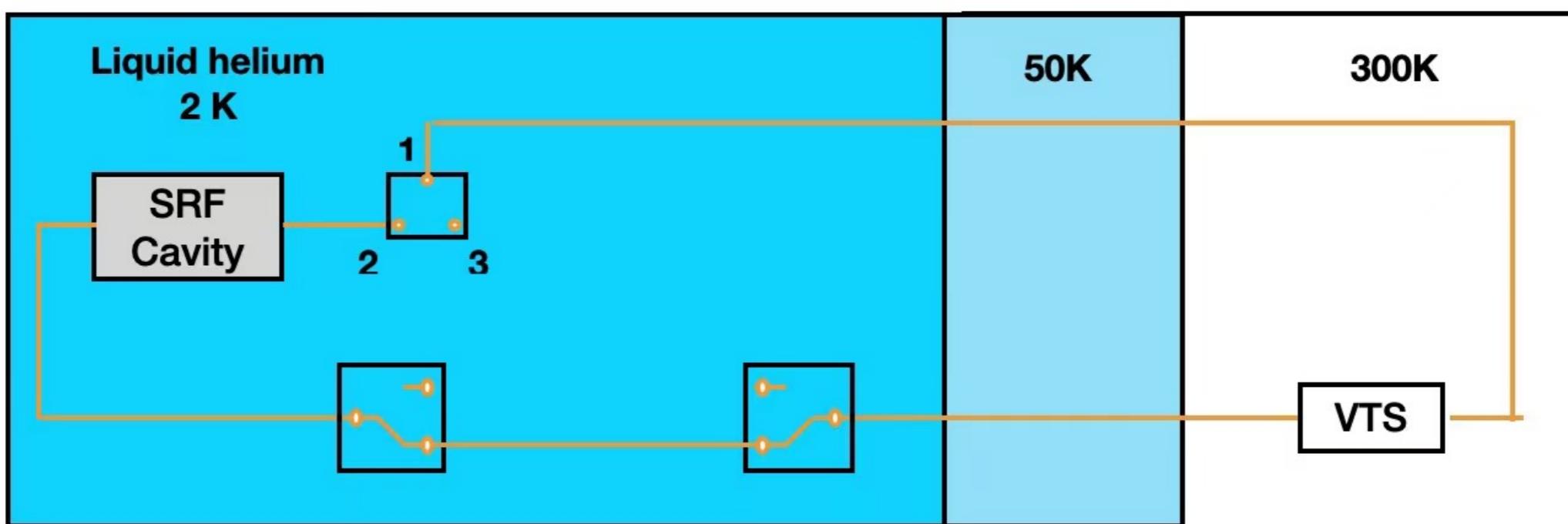
## Parameters

	Value	Fractional Uncertainty
$V_{\text{eff}} \equiv V C/3$	693 mL	< 1%
$\beta$	$0.634 \pm 0.014$	1.4%
$G_{\text{net}}$	$(57.30 \pm 0.14) \text{ dB}$	3.1%
$Q_L$	$(9.092 \pm 0.081) \times 10^9$	/
$f_0^{\max}$	1.2991643795 GHz	/
$\Delta f_0$	11.5 Hz	/
$t_{\text{int}}$	100 s	/

microwave electronics for DPDM searches

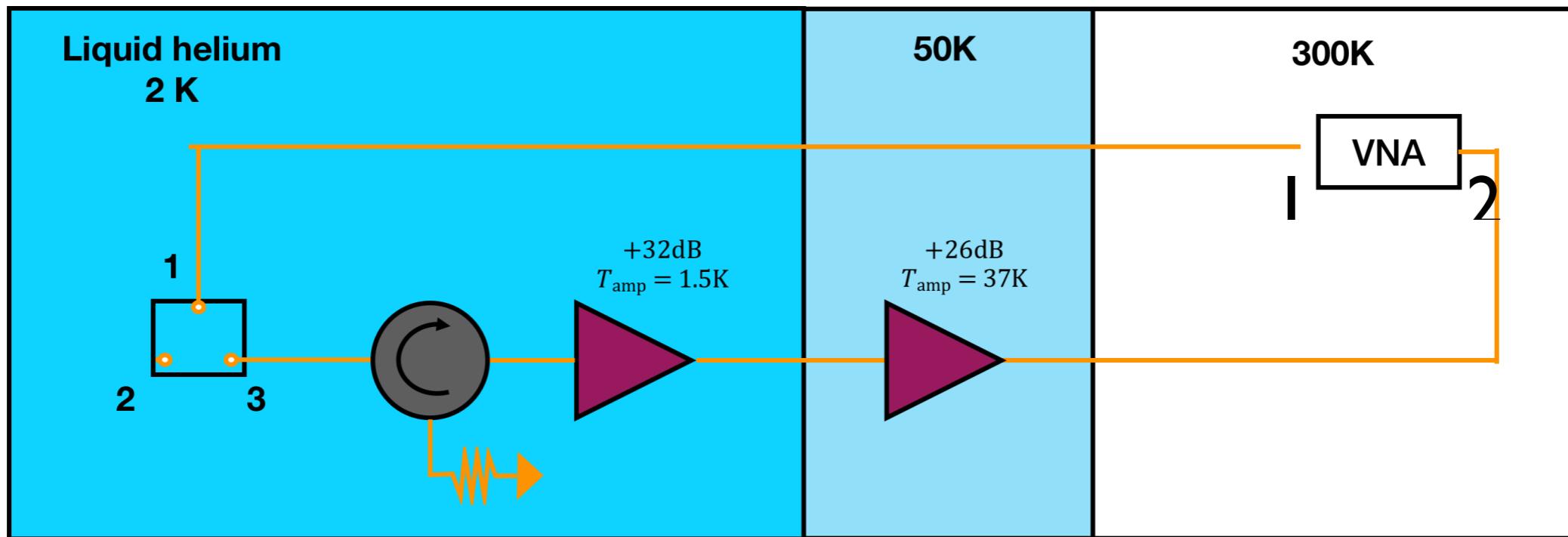


# Step I: Measure Cavity property



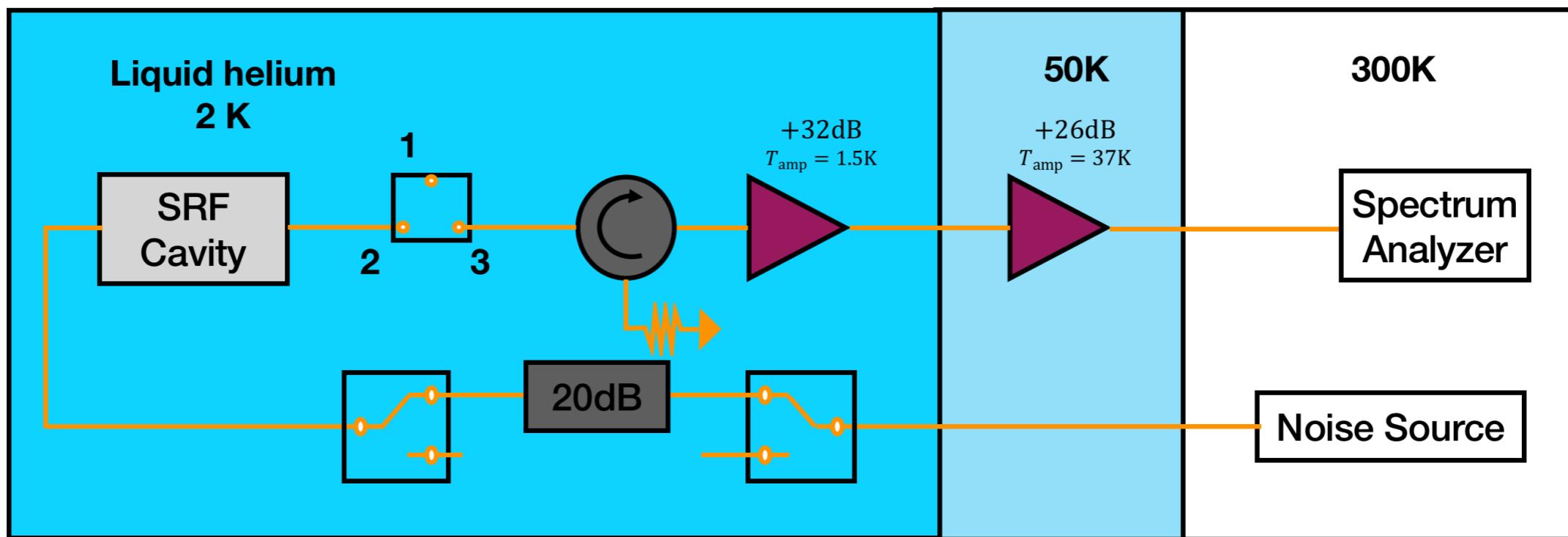
I-2 connection: VTS measurement for the cavity property.

# Step 2: calibration



I-3 connection: calibration by subtracting the line loss to get the total gain  $G_{\text{net}}$ .

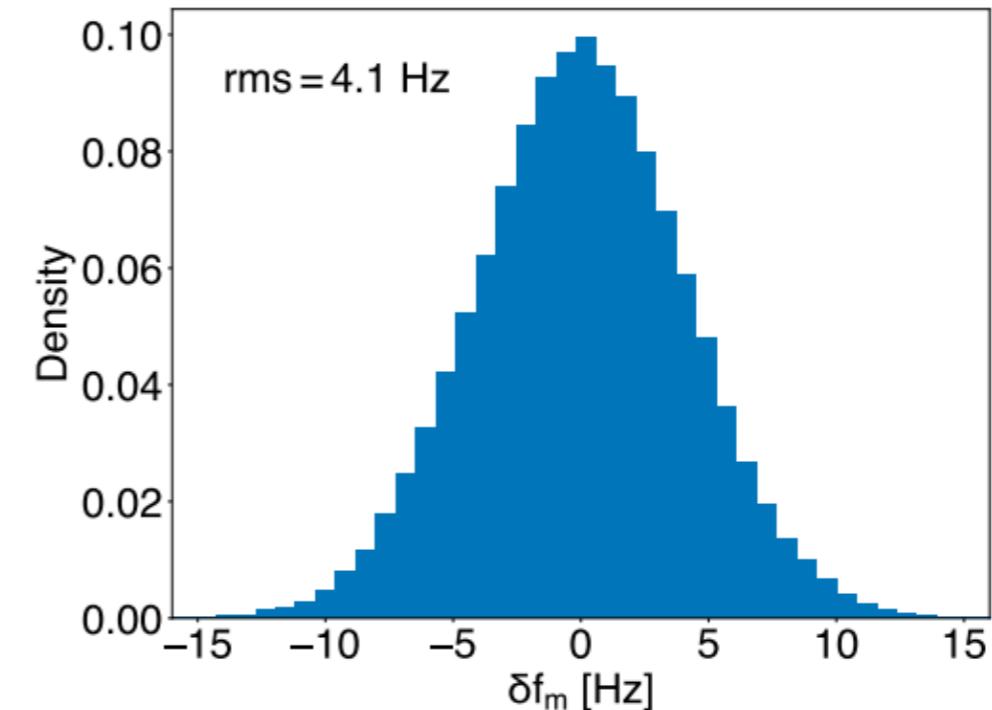
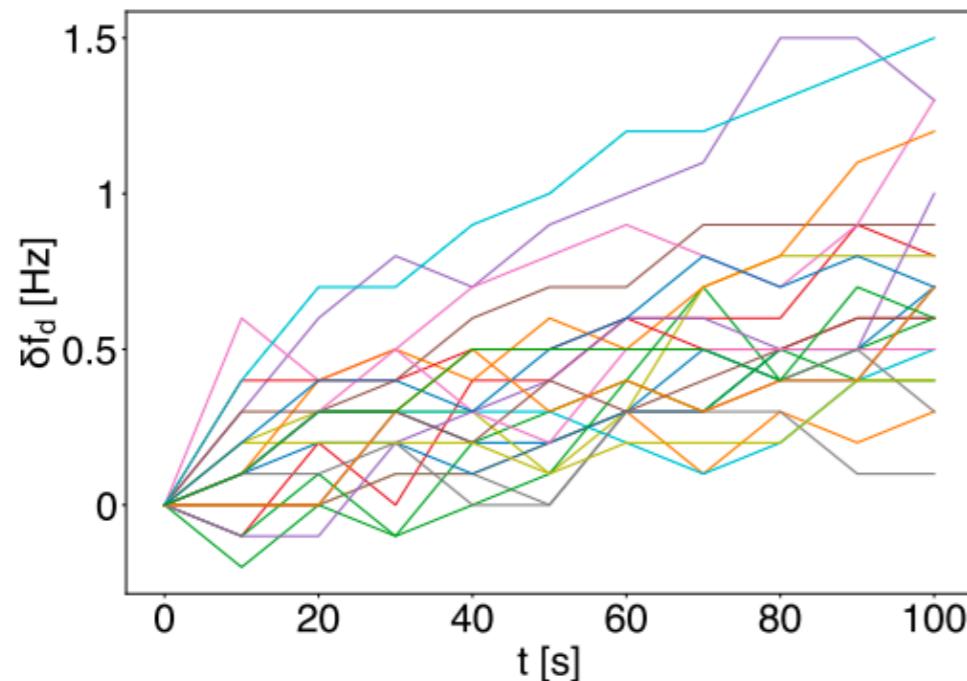
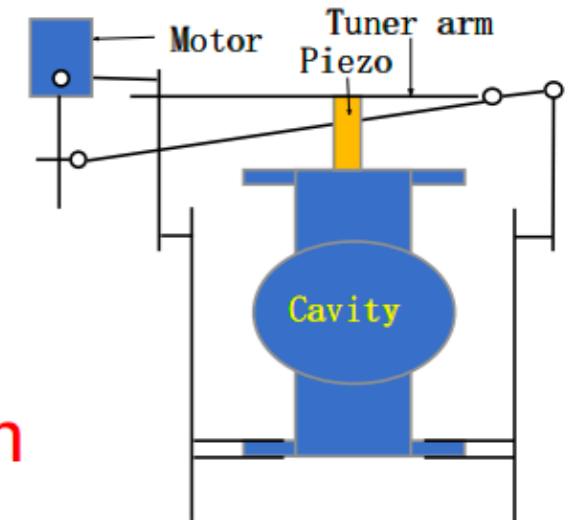
# Step 3: Do experiment



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

# Scan Search with Mechanical Tuning

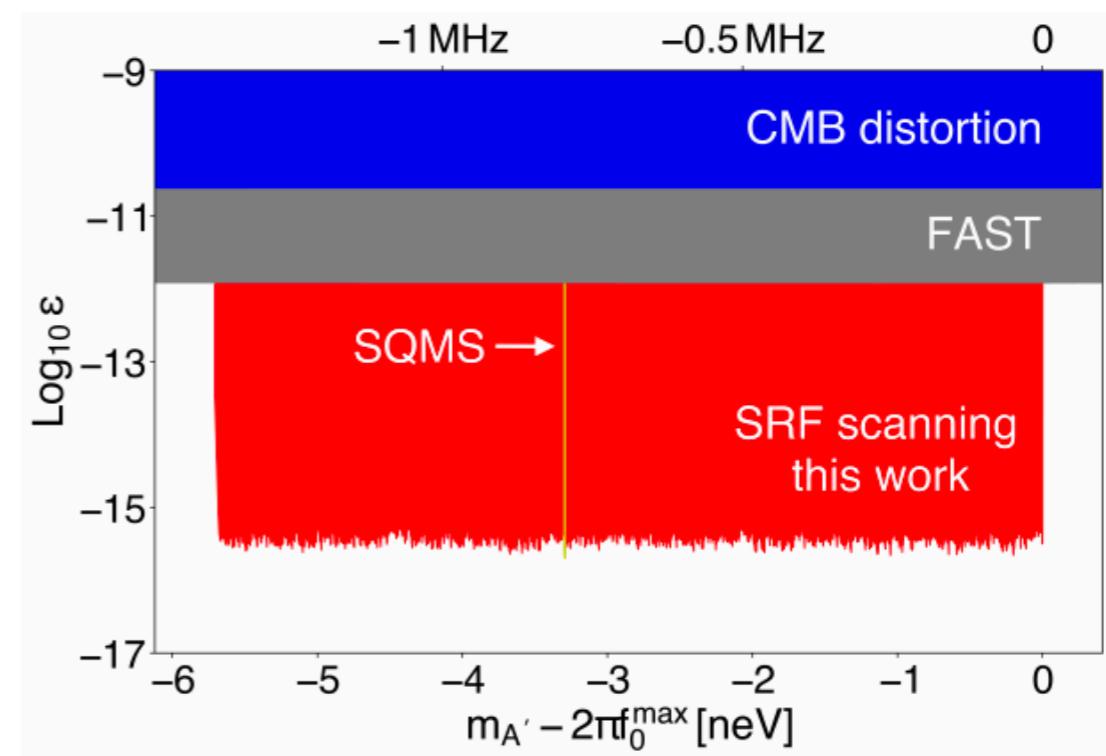
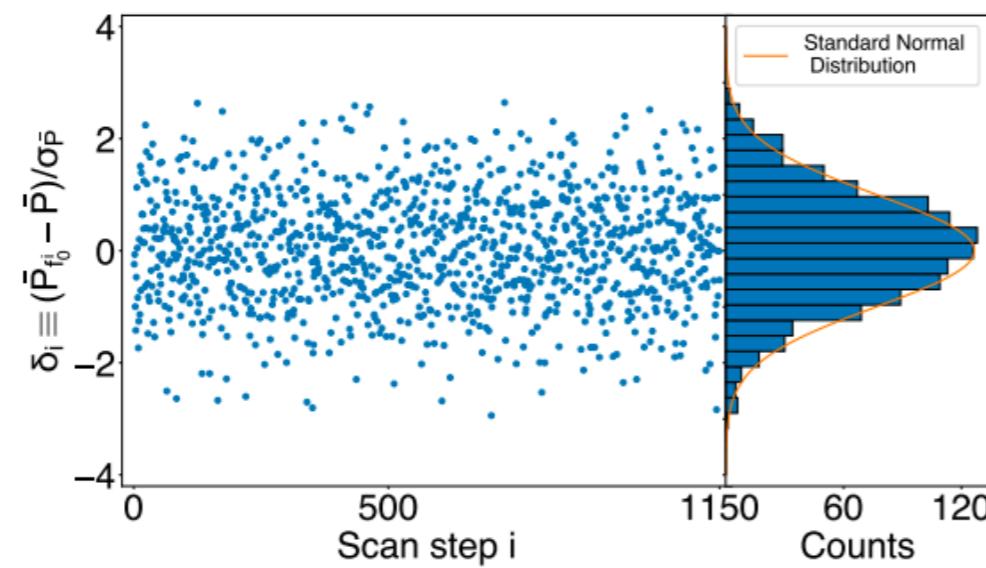
- ▶ Mechanical turner scans resonant frequency  $f_0$  with the step  $\sim f_0/Q_{\text{DM}}$
- ▶ Calibrate  $f_0$  and its stability range  $\Delta f_0$  in each scan
- ▶ Frequency drift  $\delta f_d \leq 1.5\text{Hz}$  and microphonics effect  $\sigma_{f_0} \approx 4\text{Hz}$



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

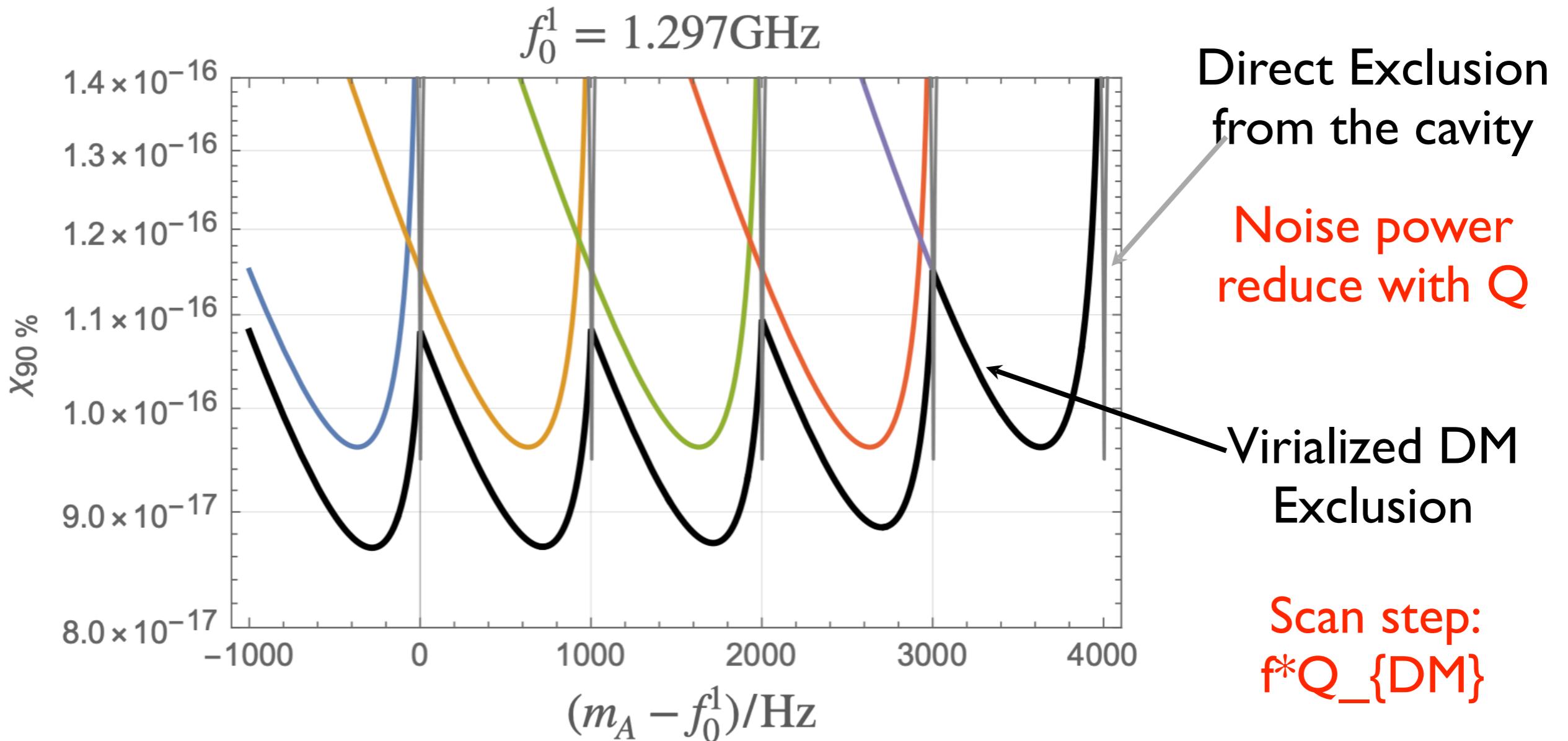
# Data analysis and constraints

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



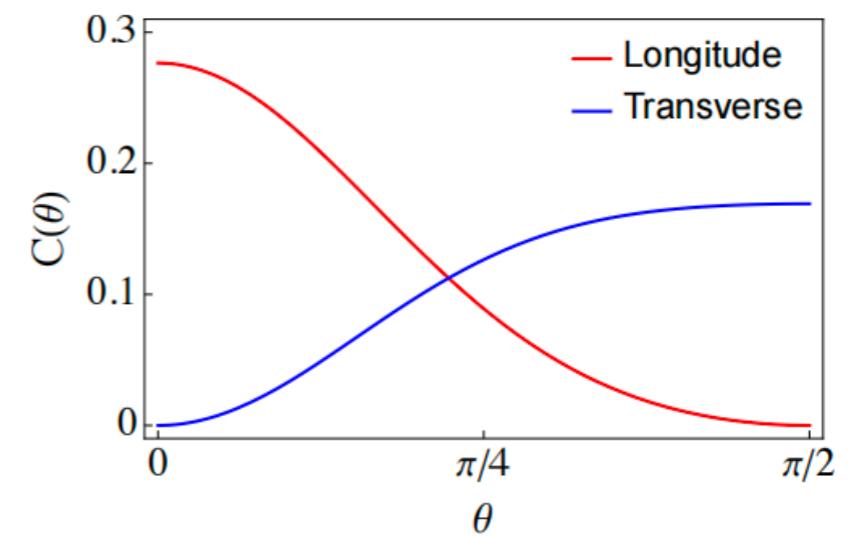
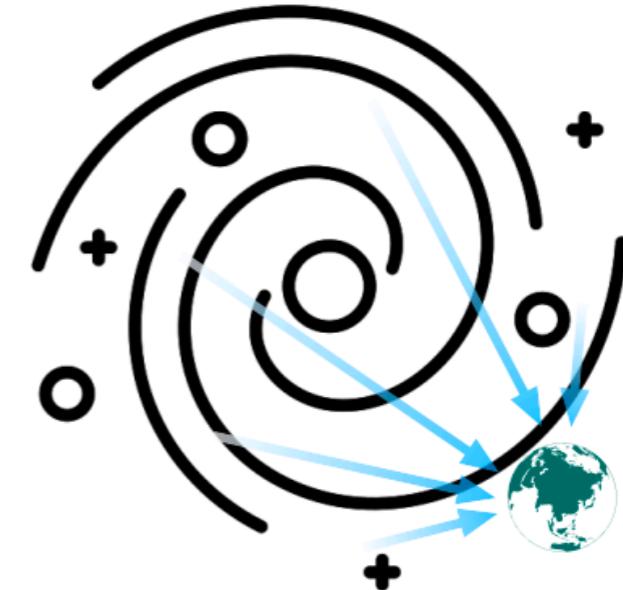
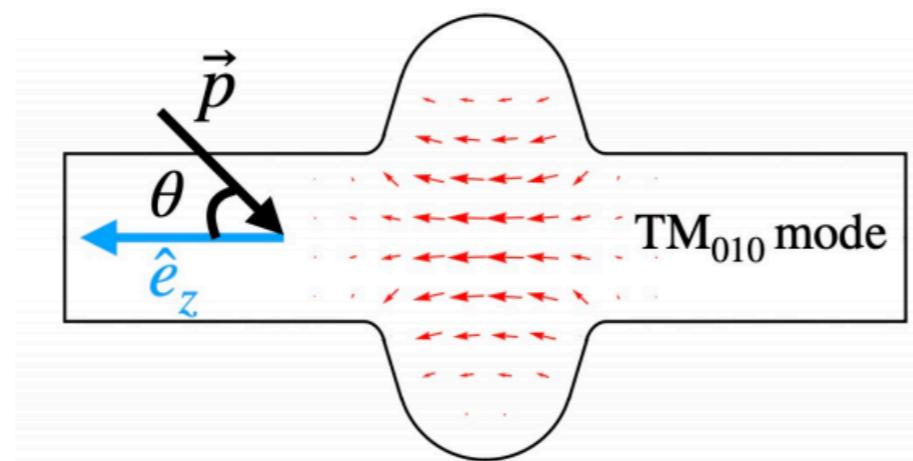
- ▶ First scan search with SRF and most stringent constraints in most exclusion space.

# Few comment on $Q \gg Q_{\text{DM}}$



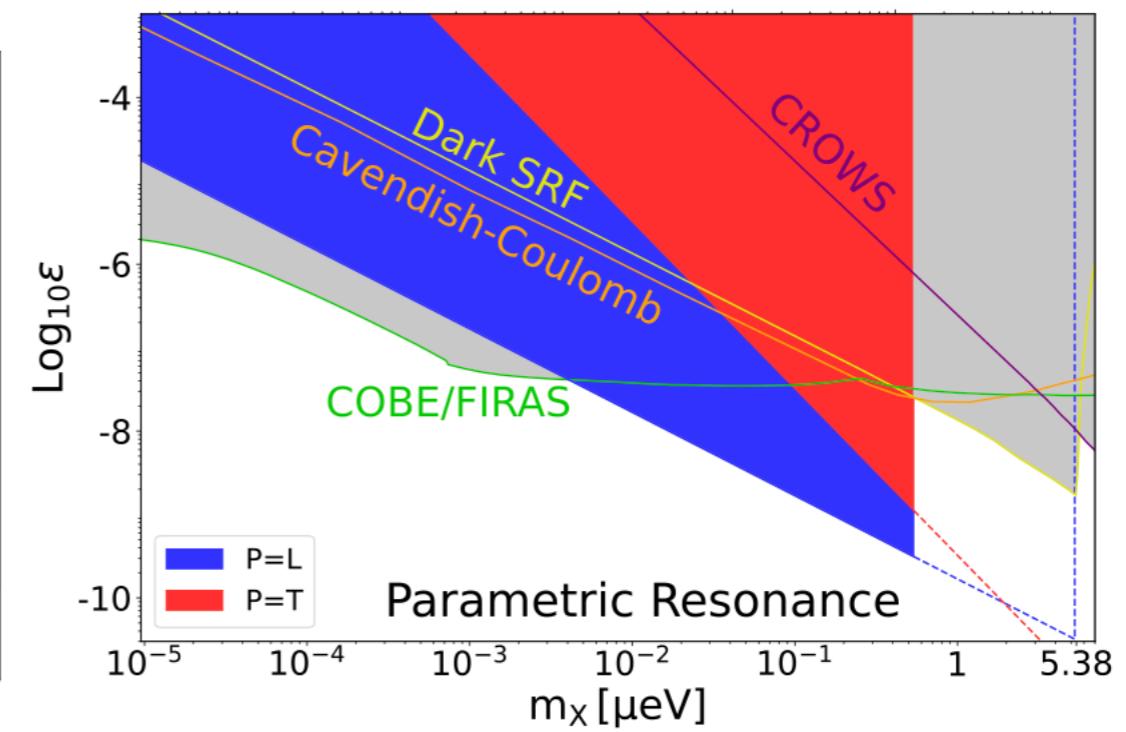
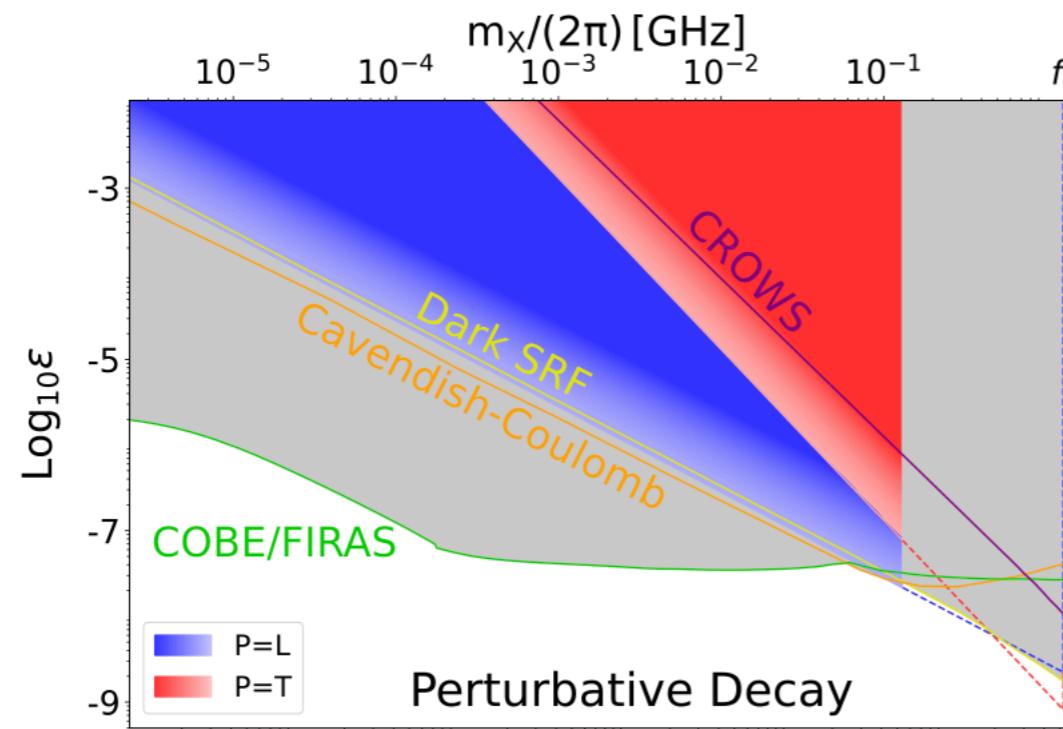
# Modulated Signal from Galactic Dark Photons

- ▶ Galactic dark photons from DM decay, e.g.:  
cascade decay from DM halo
- ▶ **Vectorial** observable  $\propto \vec{A}'$ 
  - angular-dependent signal  $\propto C(\theta)$
  - 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 → 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

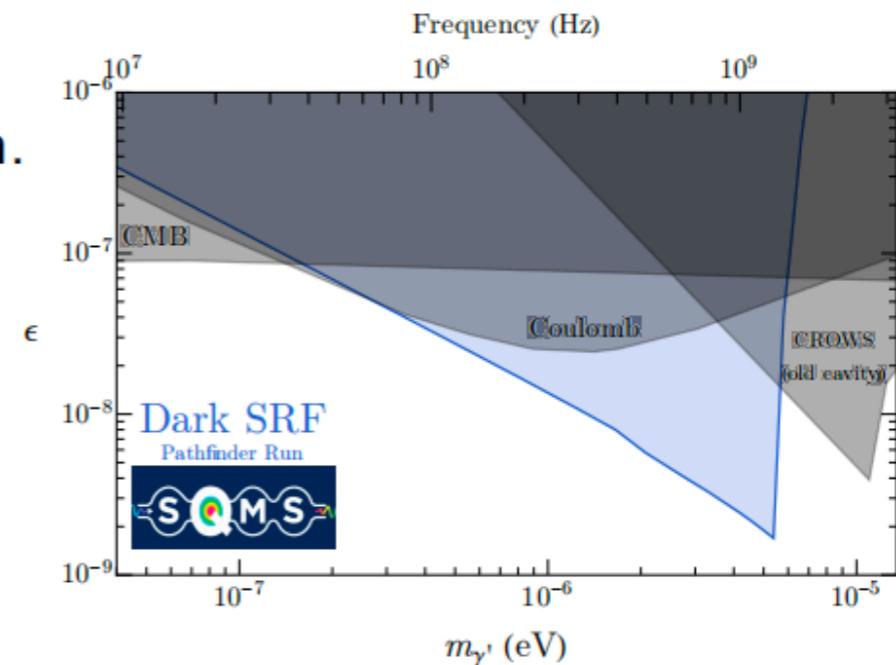
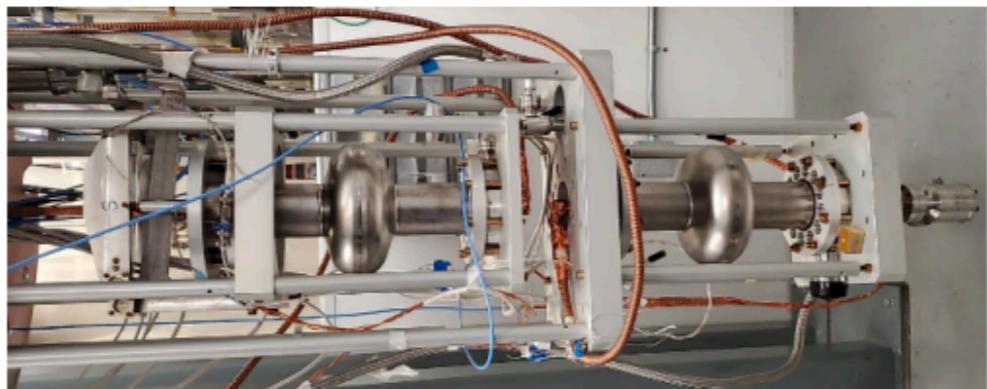
### •SERAPH:

Single-bin search and ongoing scan searches.



### •Dark SRF:

Light-shining-wall search for dark photon.



## ► DESY:

### •MAGO 2.0

Mode transition from GW-induced cavity deformation.

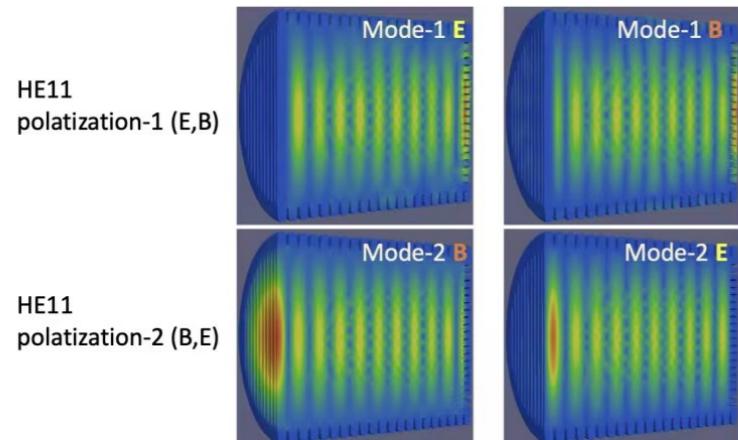
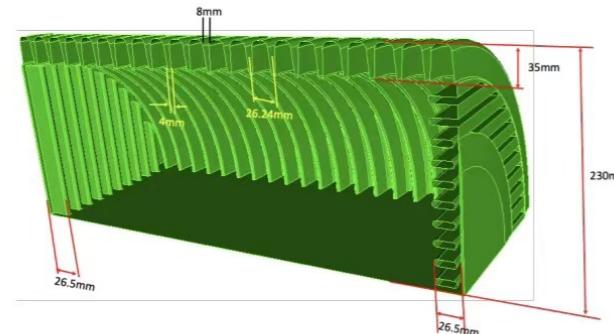


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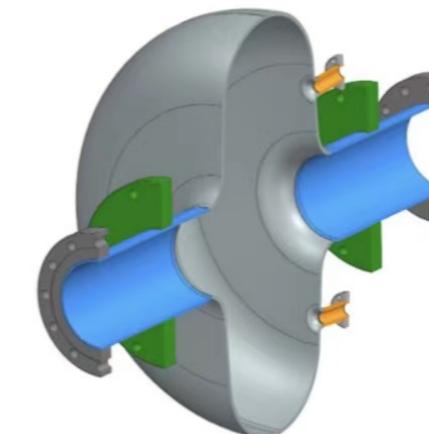
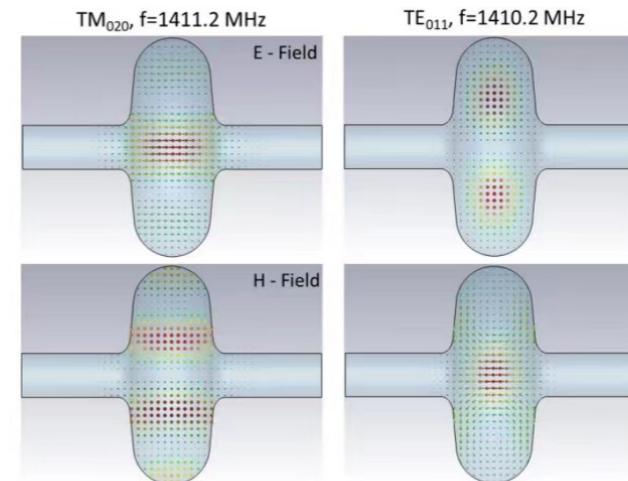
TWO PROTOTYPES [~ 1 YEAR]



LDRD [only internal documents]



arXiv:2207.11346

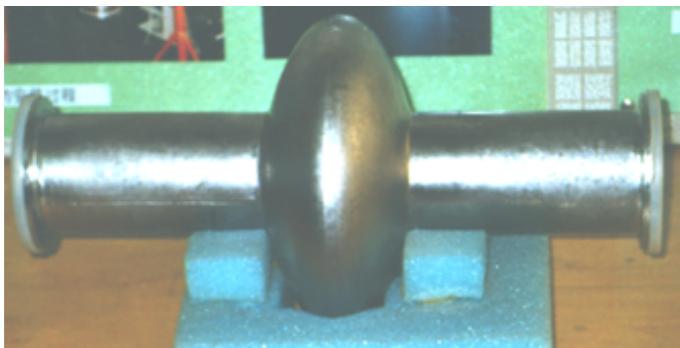




A brief introduction to the  
team member



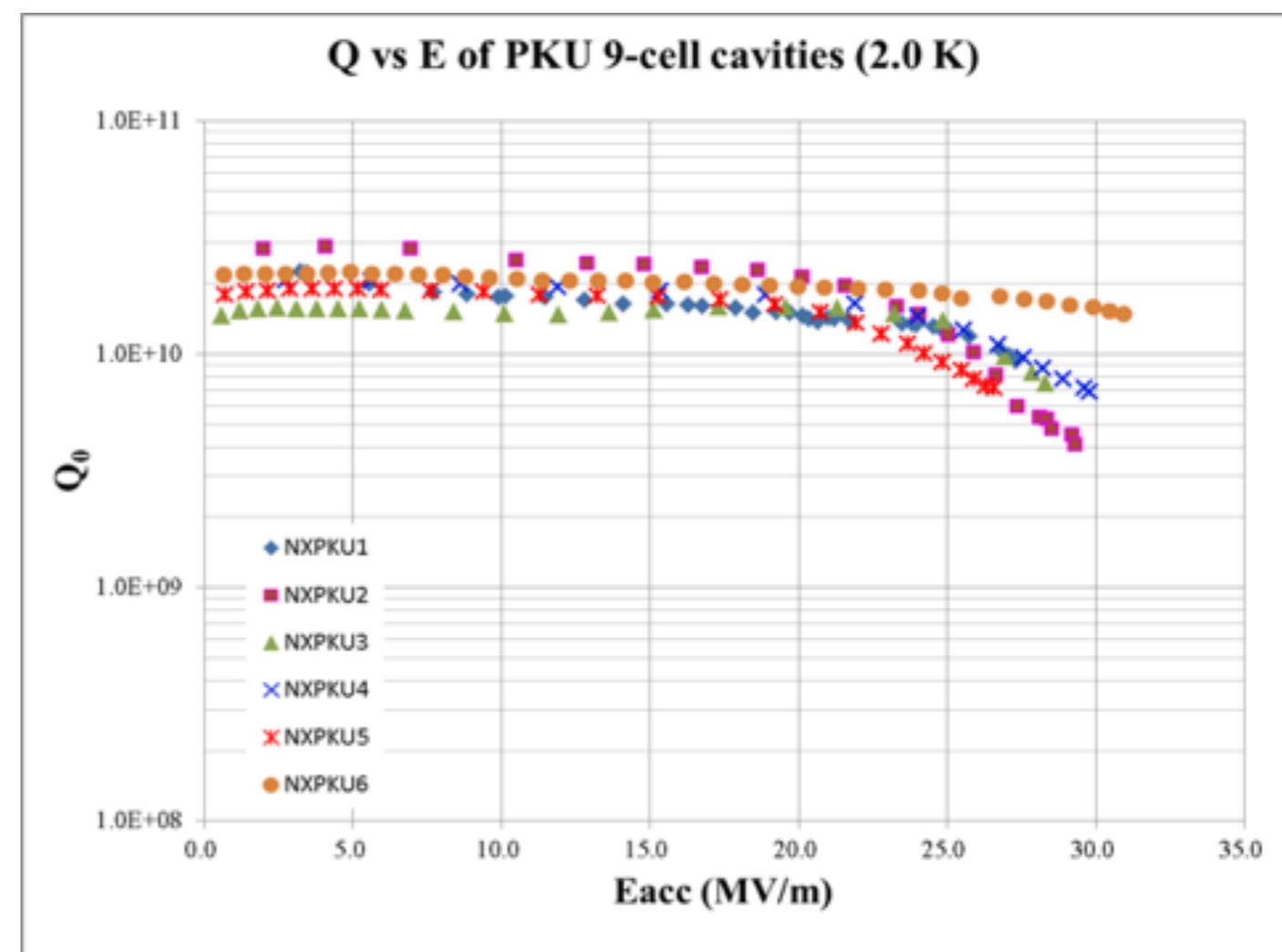
# SRF in Peking University



# First 9-cell for ILC

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

- $Q \sim 1.6 - 2.4 \times 10^6$  @  
16MV/m.
  - equivalent level of  
international laboratories



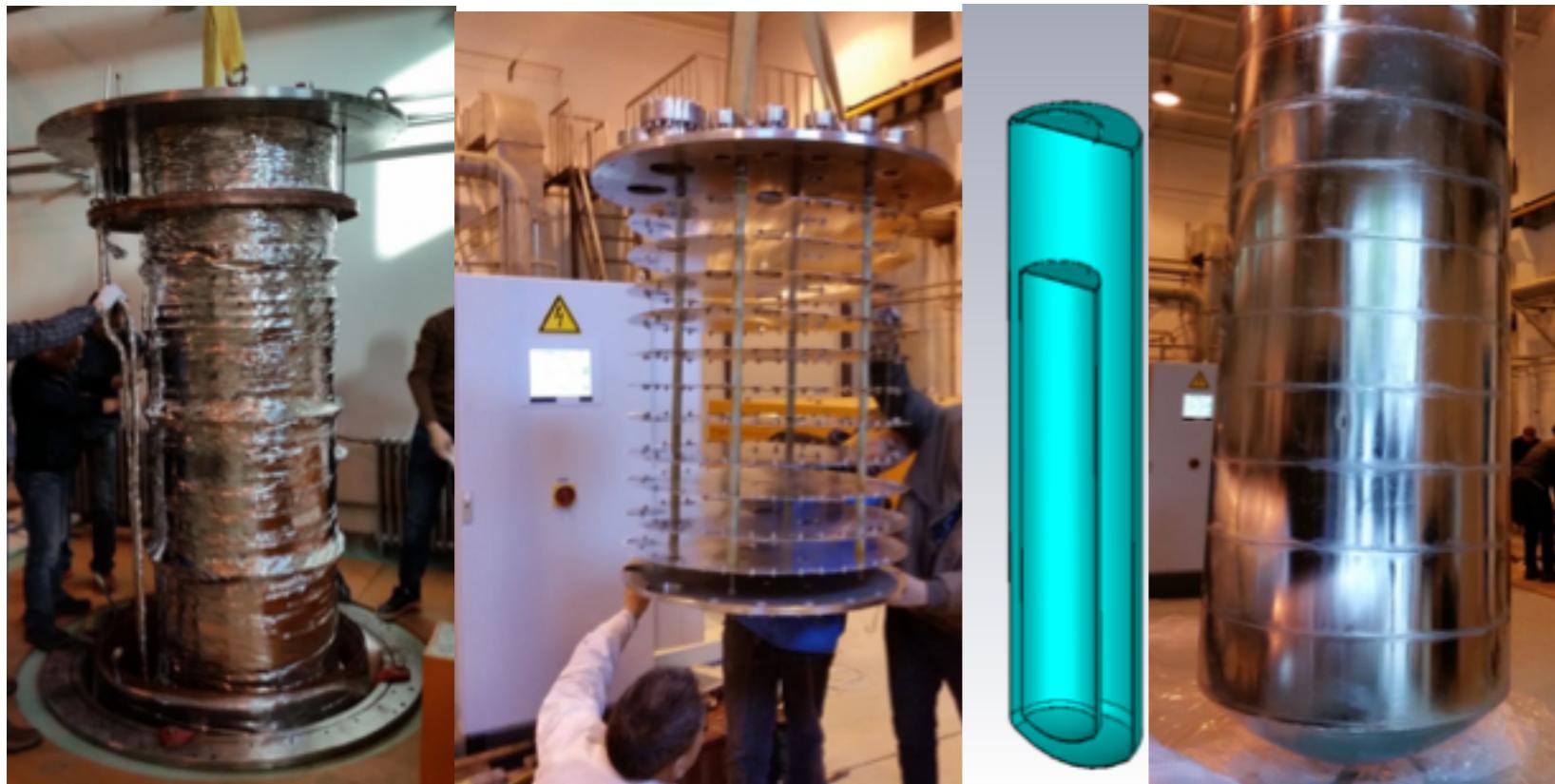
# Experimental facilities



Liquid helium system



2K pumping system



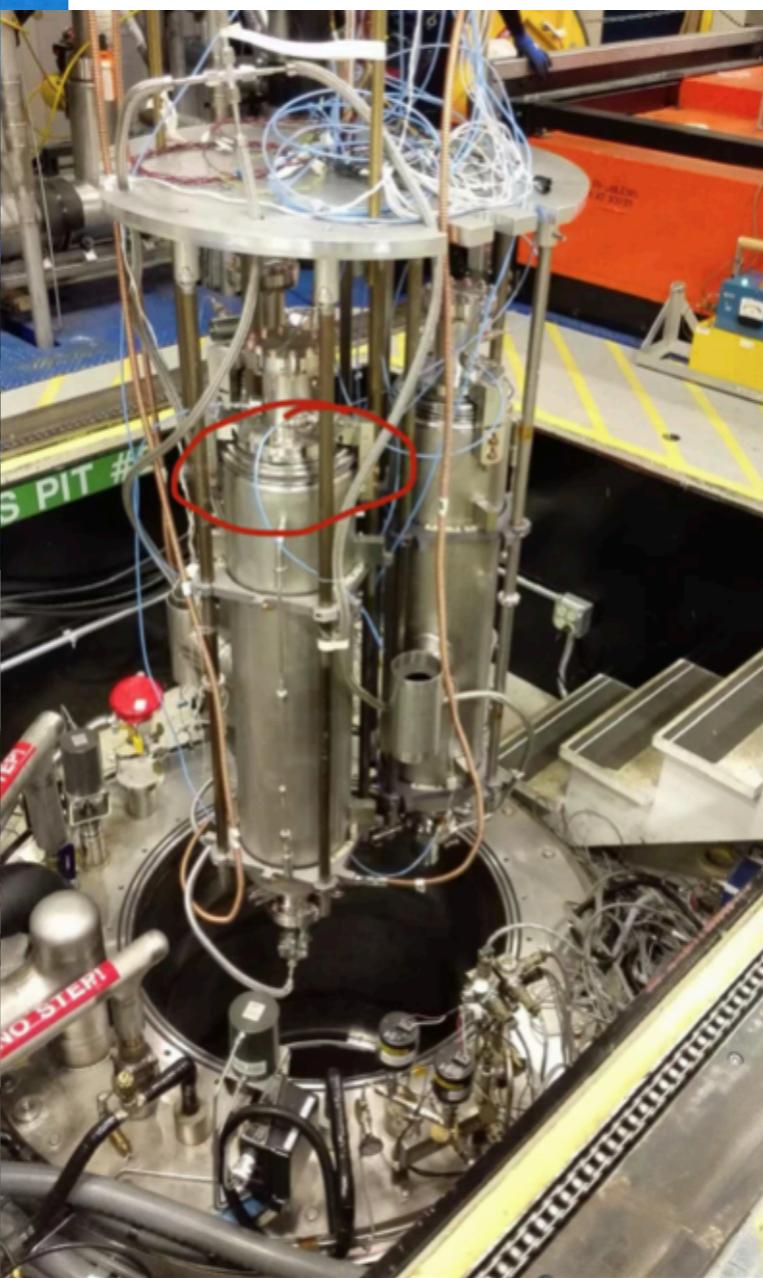
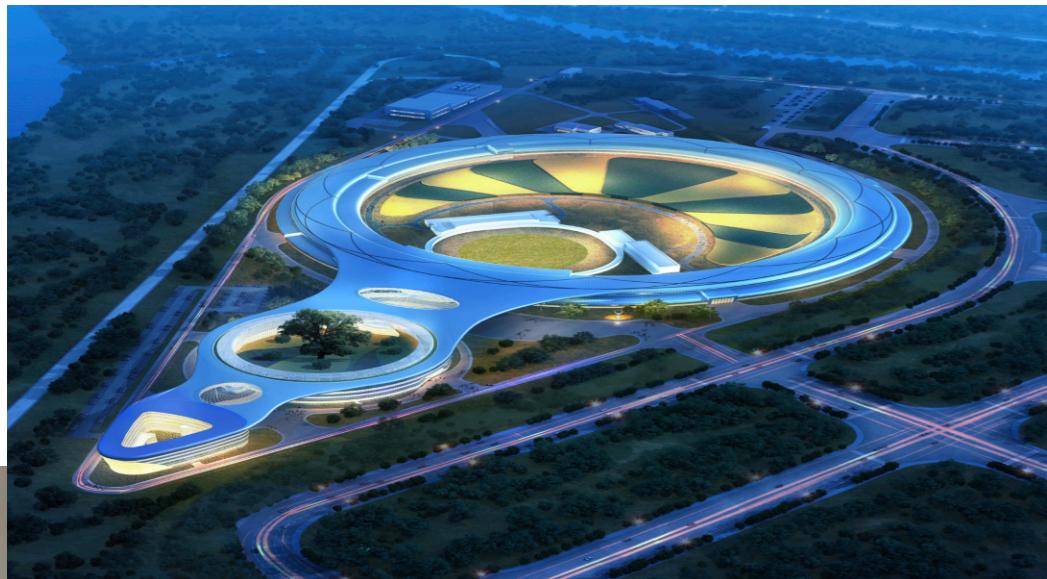
Vertical Dewar Cavity suspension      Magnetic shielding

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

# SRF in IHEP



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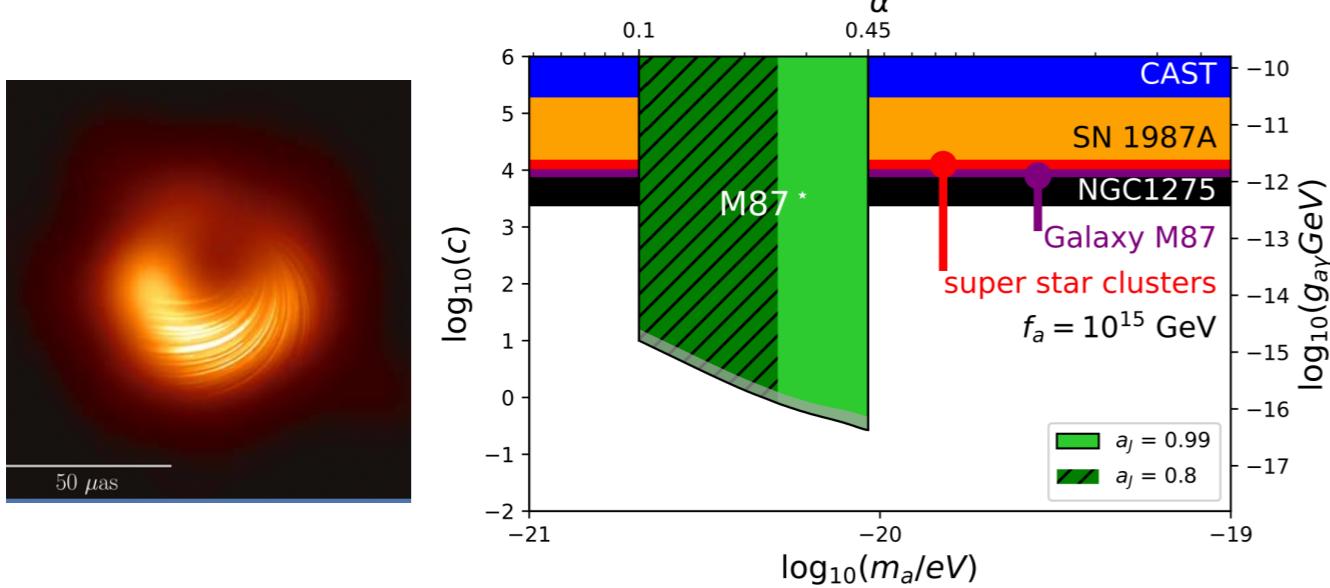


SRF used for Beijing & Shanghai Synchrotron Radiation Facility and future CEPC



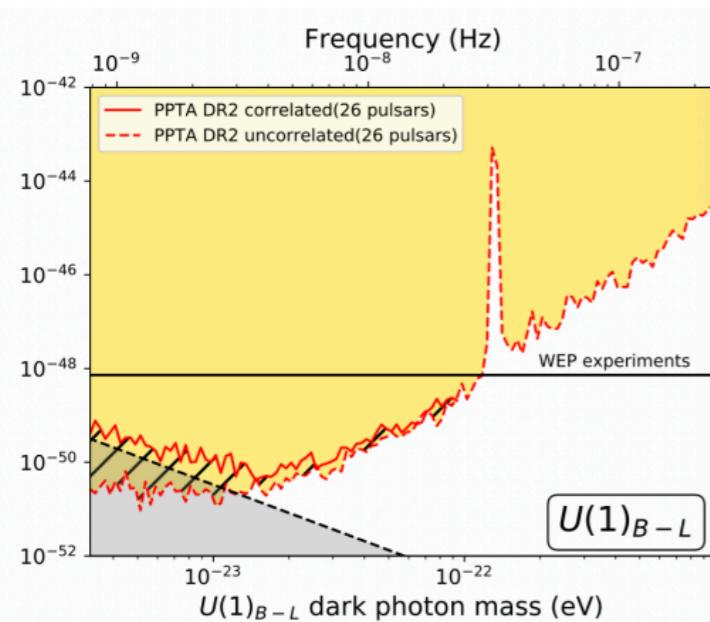
# Myself and other collaborations

## EHT probe axion (birefringence)



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Phys. Rev. Lett. 124 (2020) no6, 061102

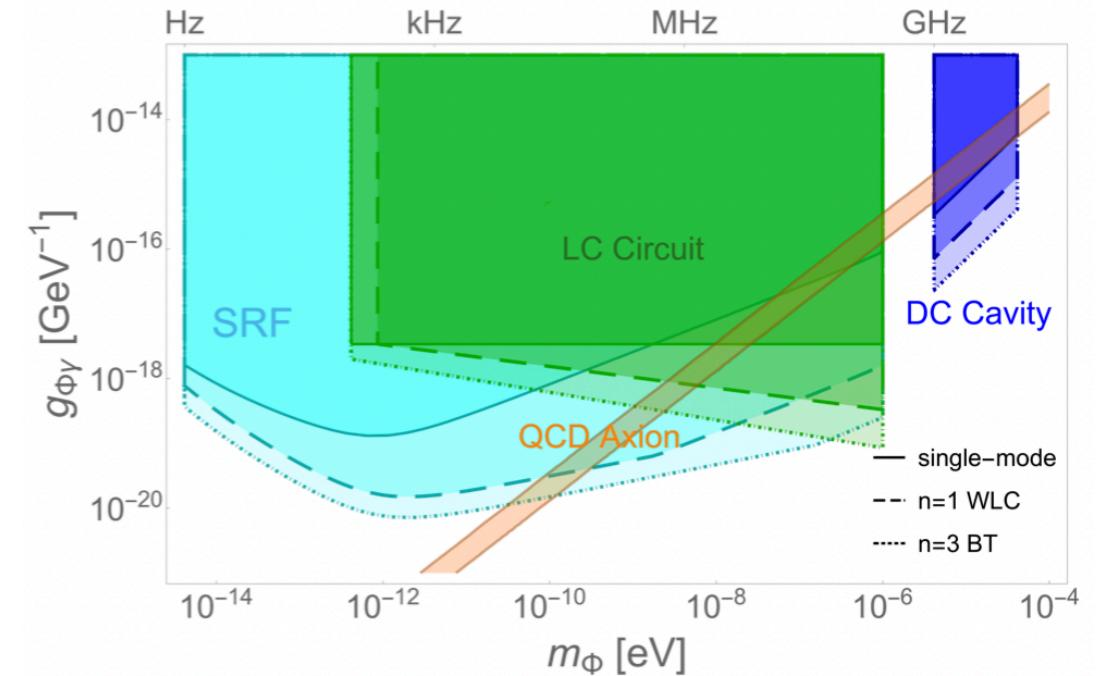
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PTA probe  
DPDM

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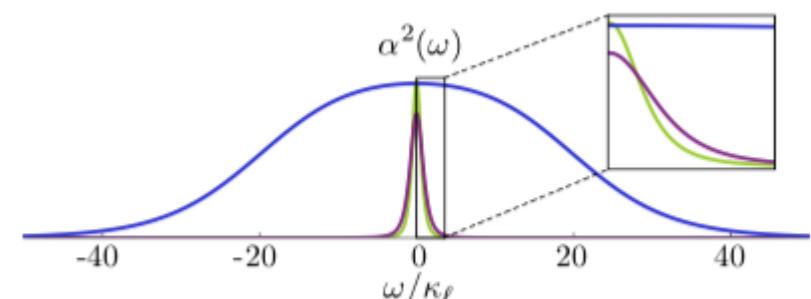
## Beyond SQL wave-like DM searches



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## Summary and outlook

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- High-Q SRF is extremely interesting in Haloscope wave-like DM searches (get deepest constraints).
- DP backgrounds has rich information (polarization & angular distribution).
- In the future (axion, GWs, quantum qubit, etc), much more can be done . (**opening, need more people**)



Thank you!