

# SRF Cavity Searches for DP

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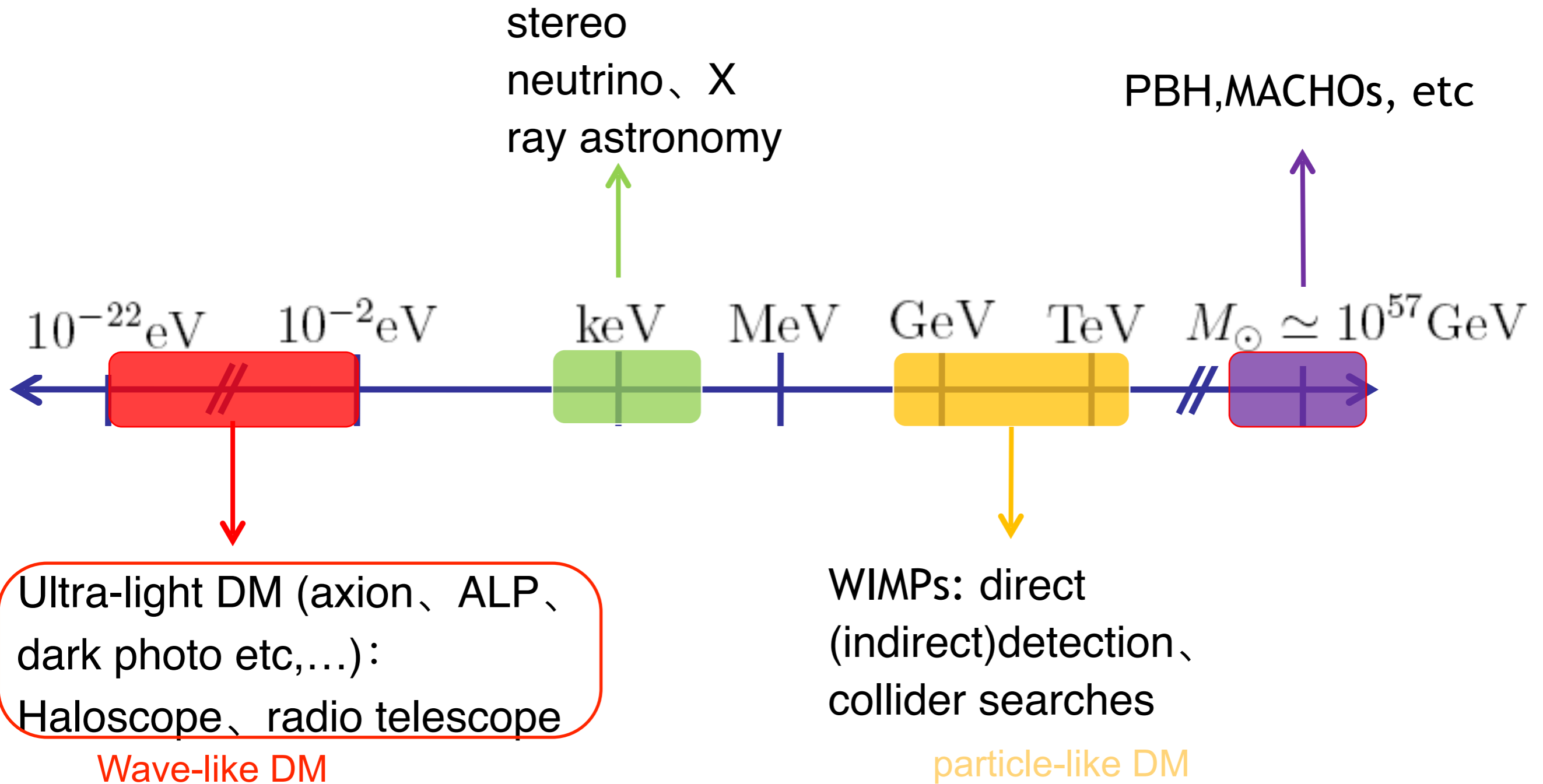
# Outline

- 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
- Other projects
- Experimental group (SHANHE collaboration)
- Summary and Outlook

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# 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.



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

The de Broglie wavelength:  
galactic scales (kpc)

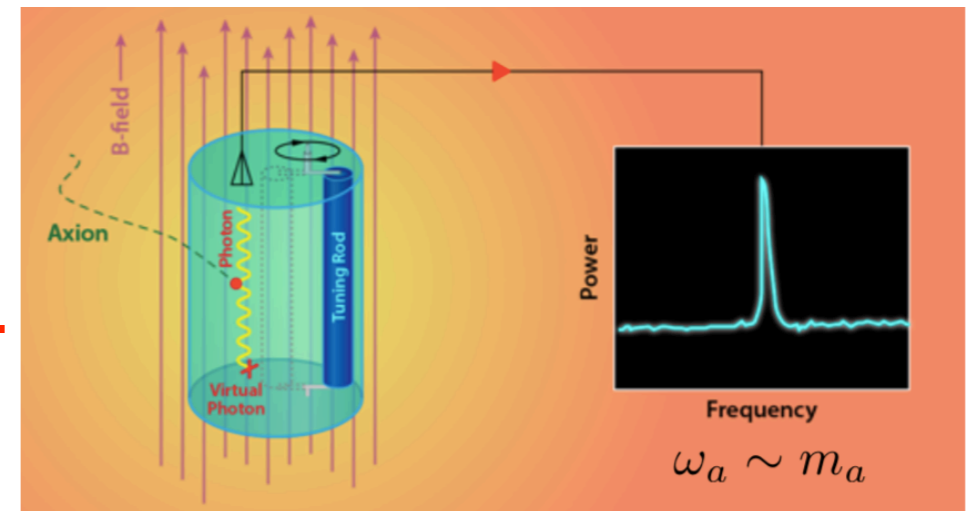
- Astronomical observation  
(time, position, velocity,  
polarization, etc)

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!!!

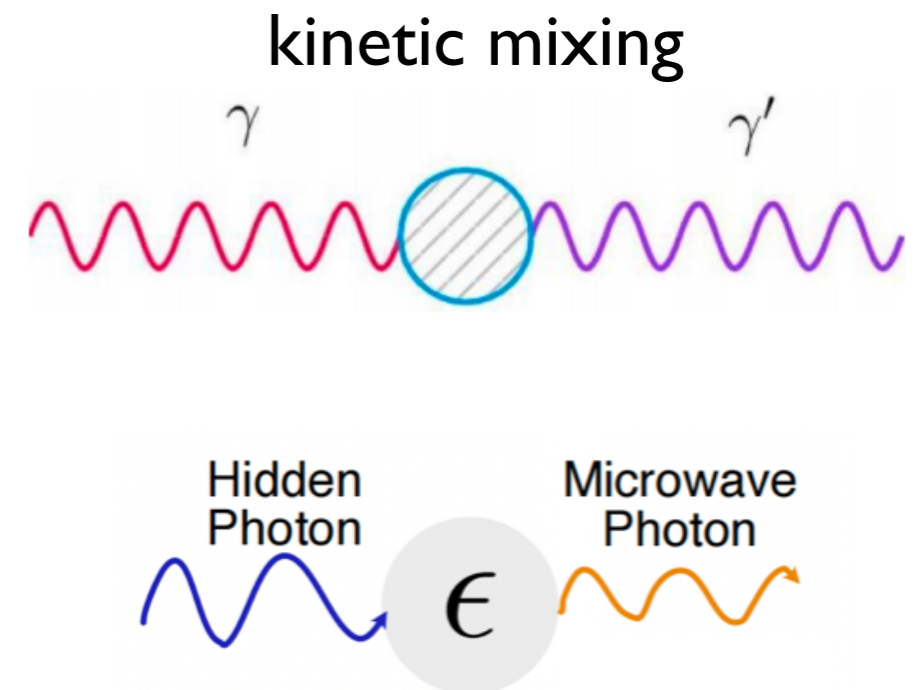
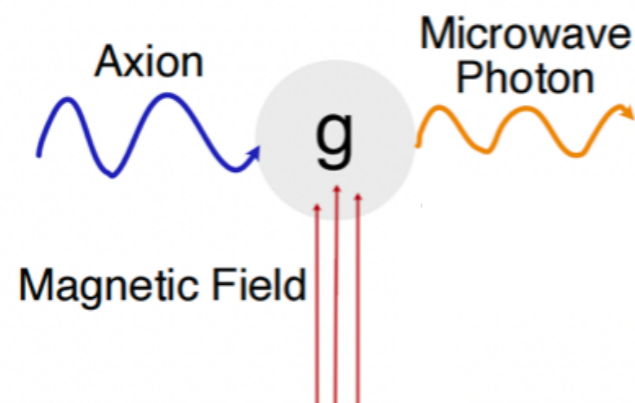
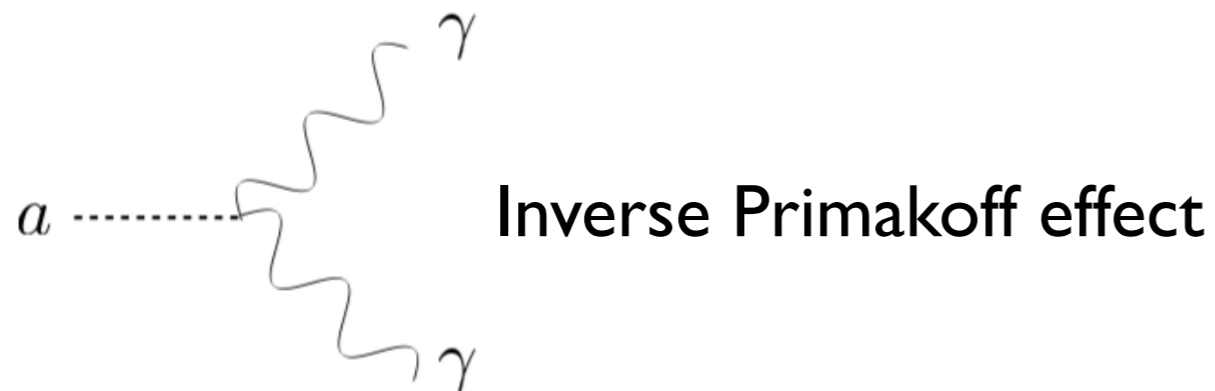
Quantum sensor

# 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**.

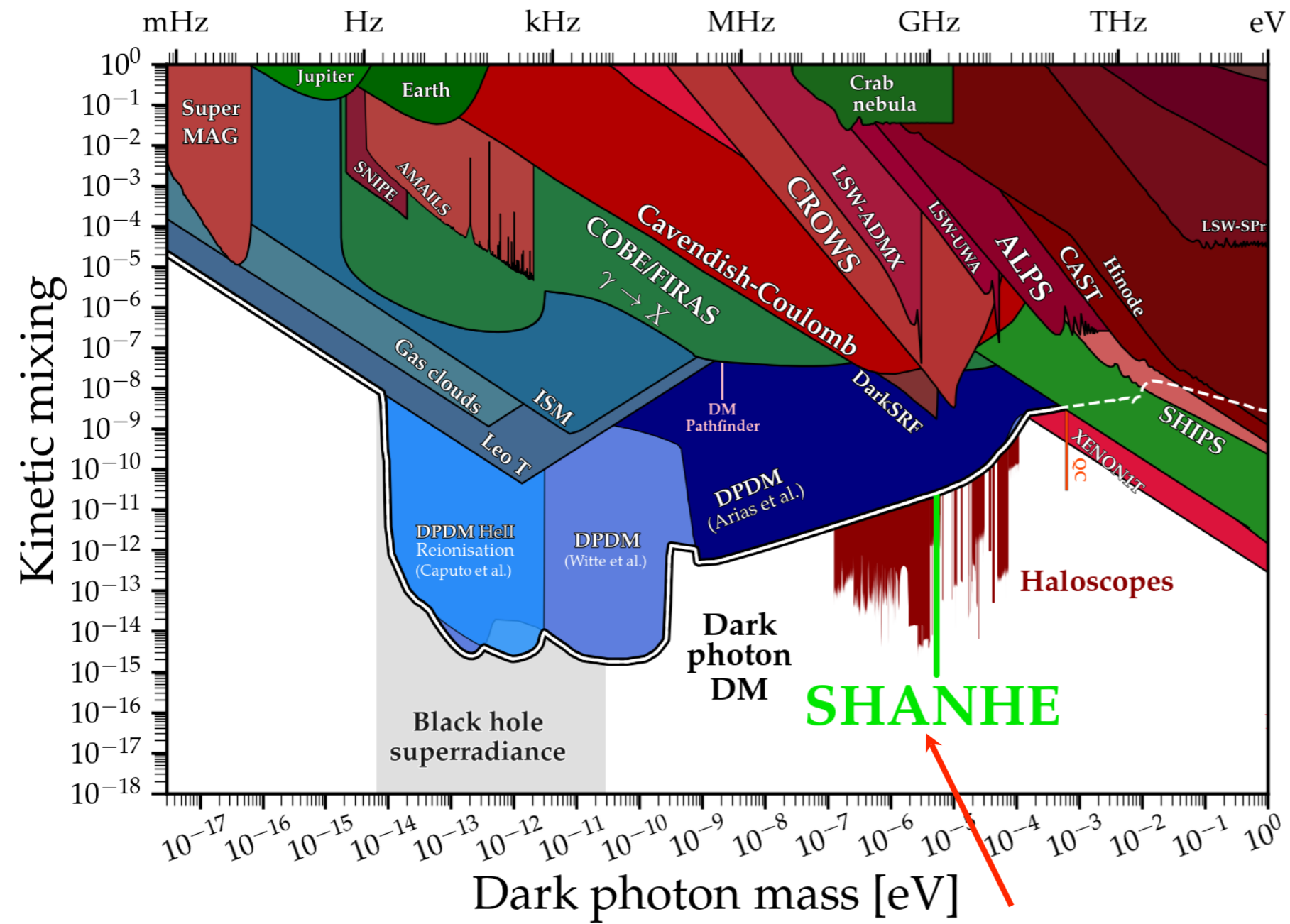
$$\vec{J}_{\text{eff}}^a = g_{a\gamma} \omega_a a \vec{B}_0.$$

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

induces an effective current **anyway**.

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

# Current DPDM search



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

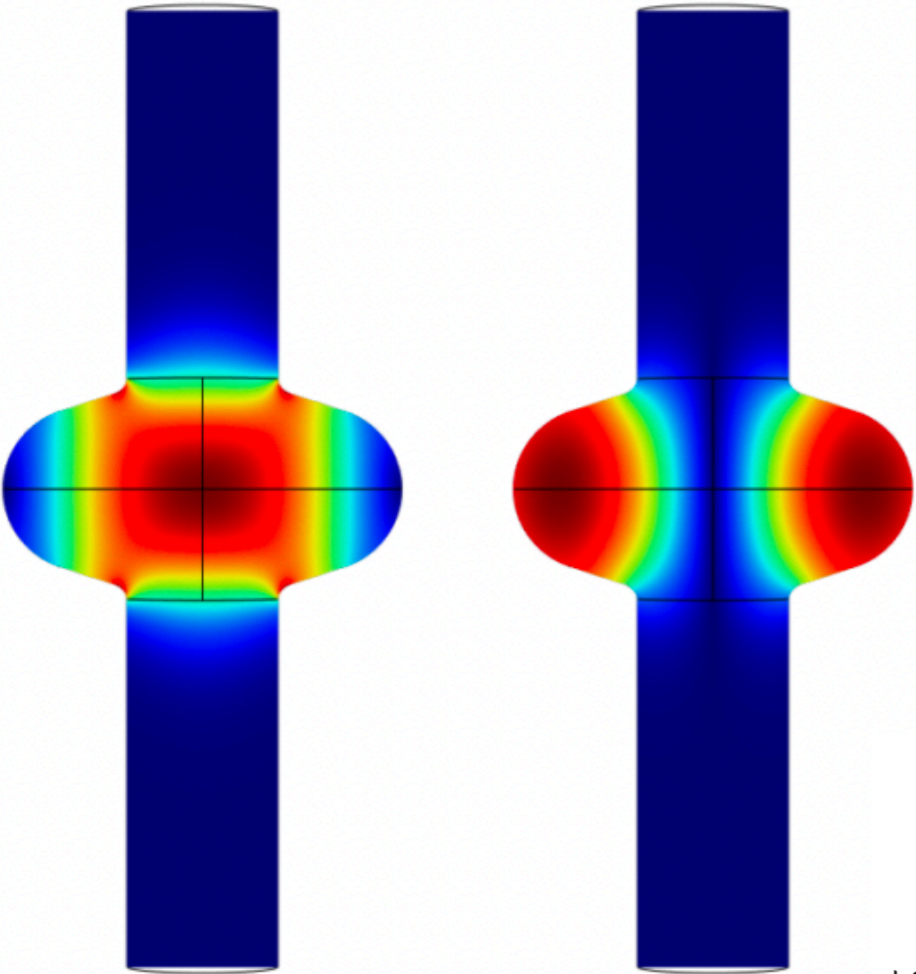


Still a lot of room to detect

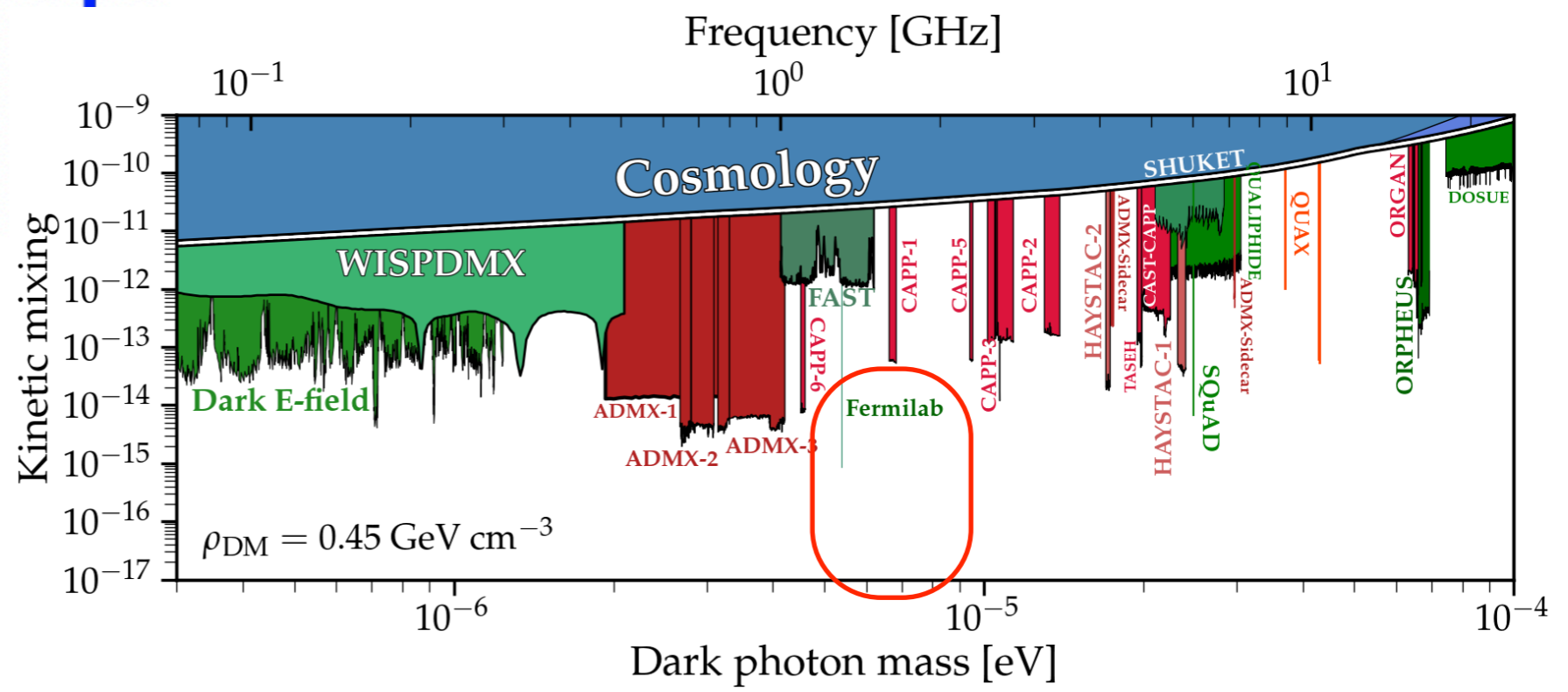
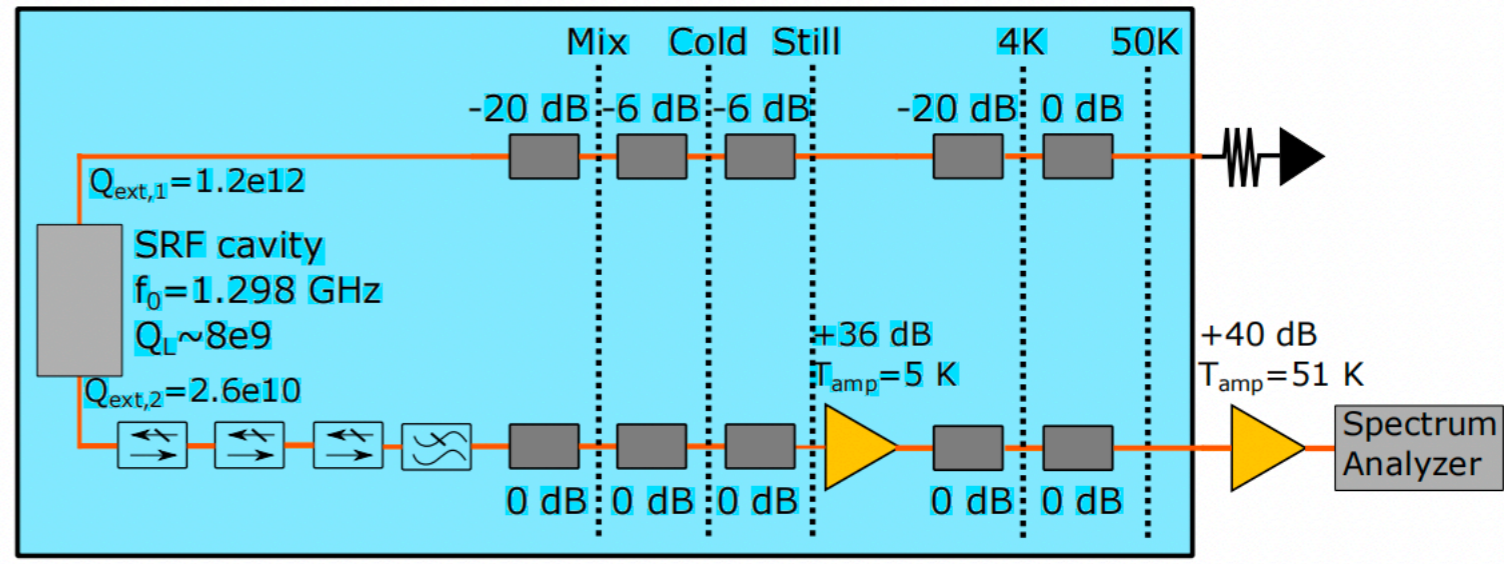
how to make use it? 5 orders more than traditional cavity.

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

# Fermilab (2022)



Highest sensitivity



$Q \sim 8.7 * 10^9$

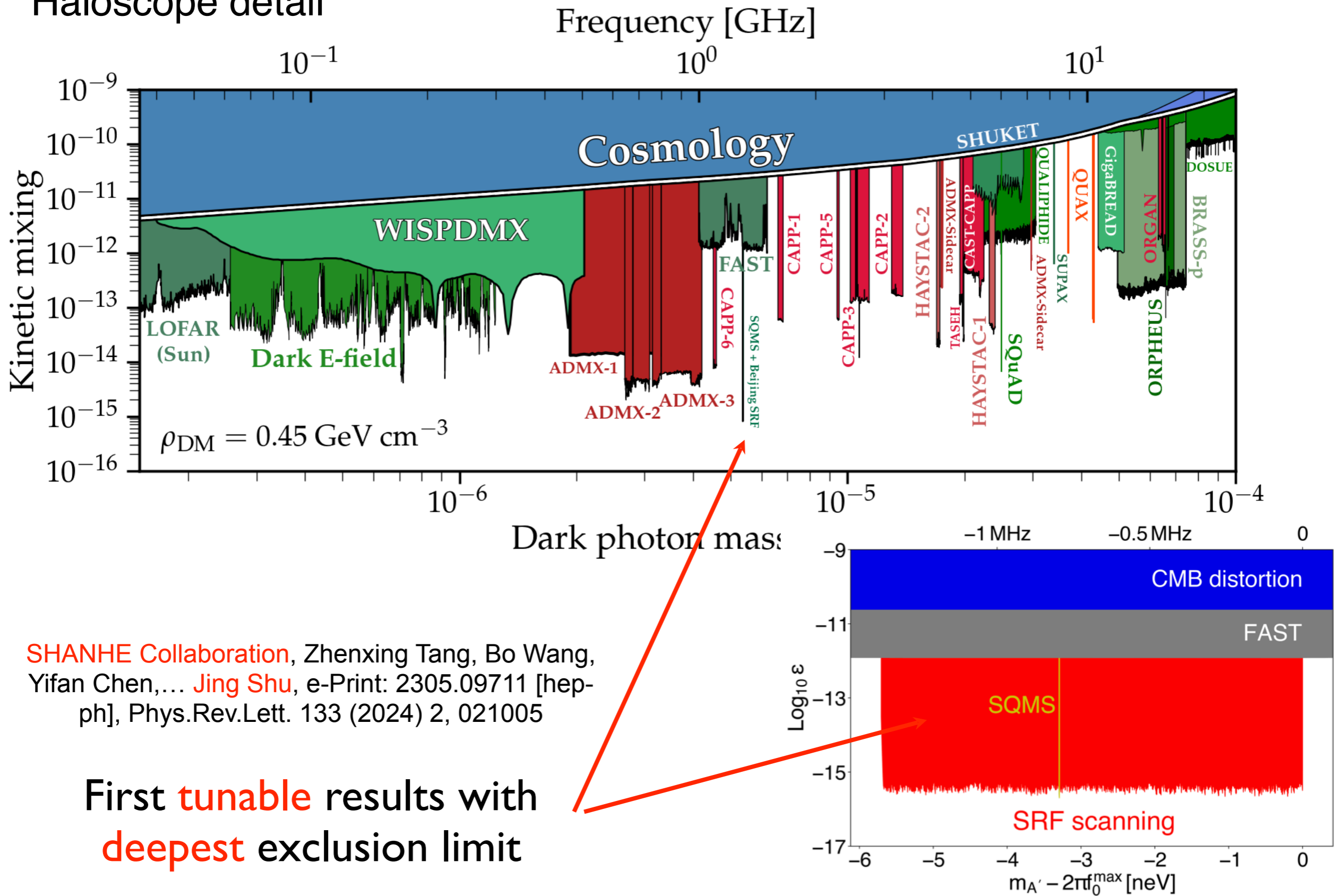
Operated in the **dilution fridge**

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# DPDM search

Haloscope detail



SHANHE Collaboration, Zhenxing Tang, Bo Wang, Yifan Chen, ... Jing Shu, e-Print: 2305.09711 [hep-ph], Phys.Rev.Lett. 133 (2024) 2, 021005

First **tunable** results with **deepest** exclusion limit

# 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**

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

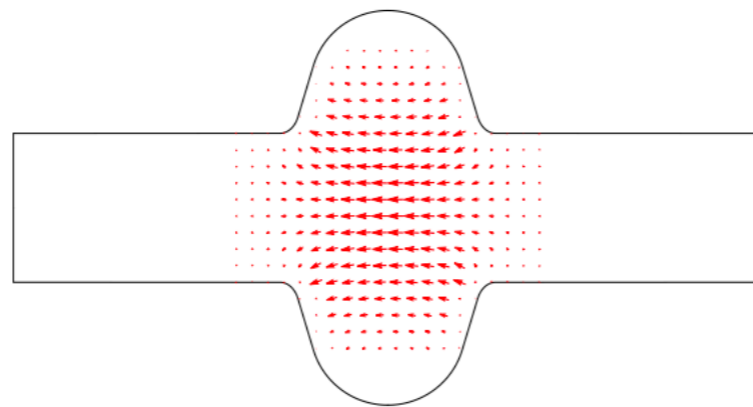
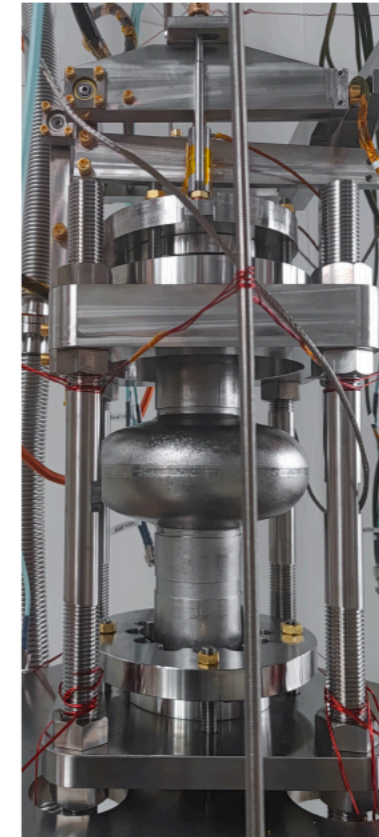
**Momentum width  $10^{-3}$**

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# 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  $\text{SNR} \propto Q_0^{1/4}$
- ▶ 1-cell elliptical niobium cavity with **mechanical tuner**, immersed in liquid helium at  $T \sim 2\text{ K}$
- ▶  $\text{TM}_{010}$  mode: z-aligned  $\vec{E}$ , **maximizes the overlap** for dark photon dark matter (DPDM)



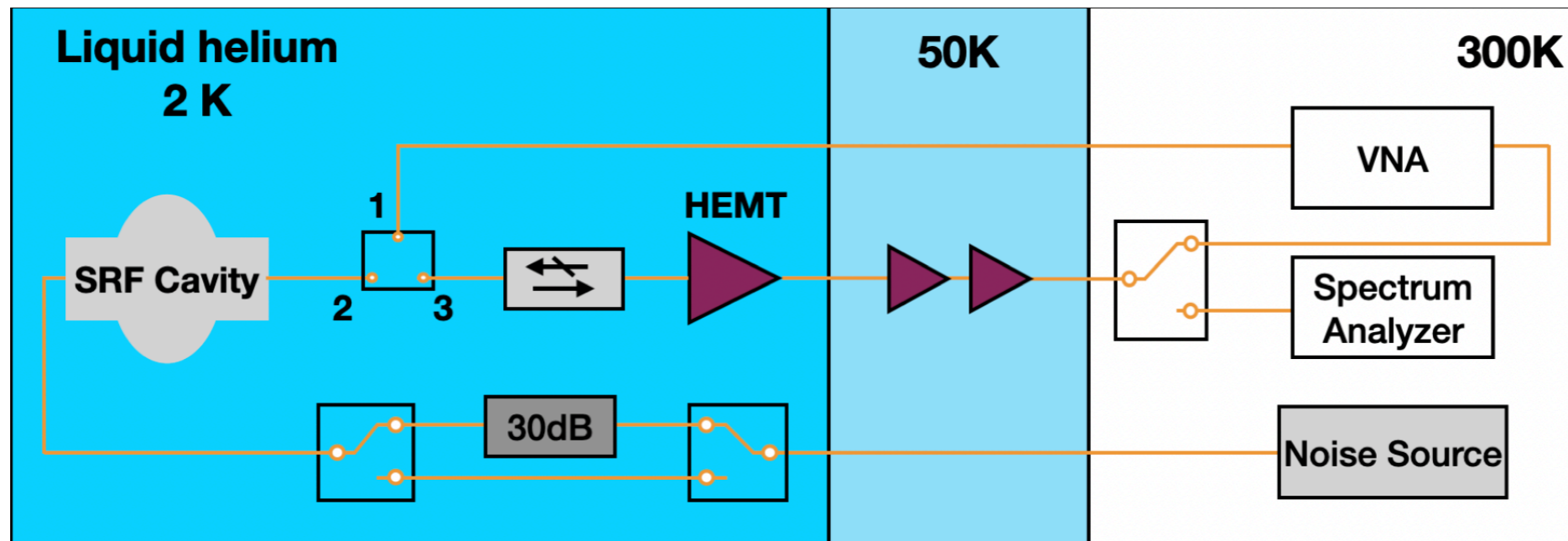
$$\epsilon \approx 10^{-16} \left( \frac{10^{10}}{Q_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left( \frac{4\text{ L}}{V} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \frac{0.5}{C} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \frac{100\text{ s}}{t_{\text{int}}} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left( \frac{1.3\text{ GHz}}{f_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left( \frac{T_{\text{amp}}}{3\text{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

# Experimental operation

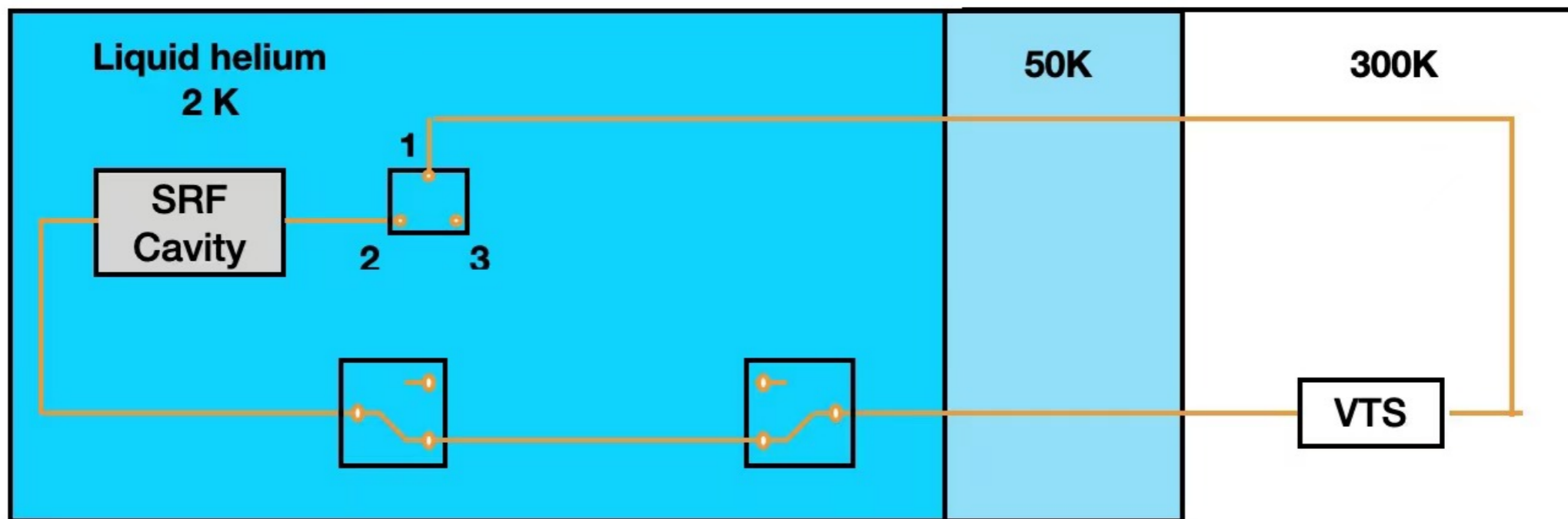
## Parameters

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

microwave electronics for DPDM searches

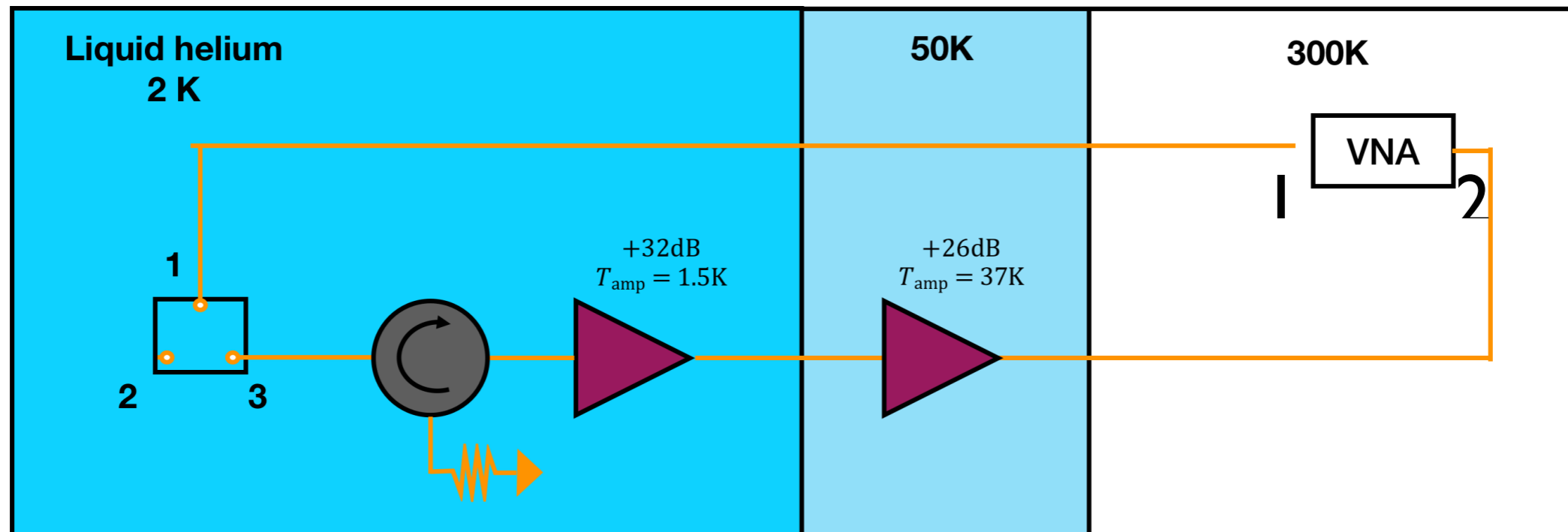


# Step 1: Measure Cavity property



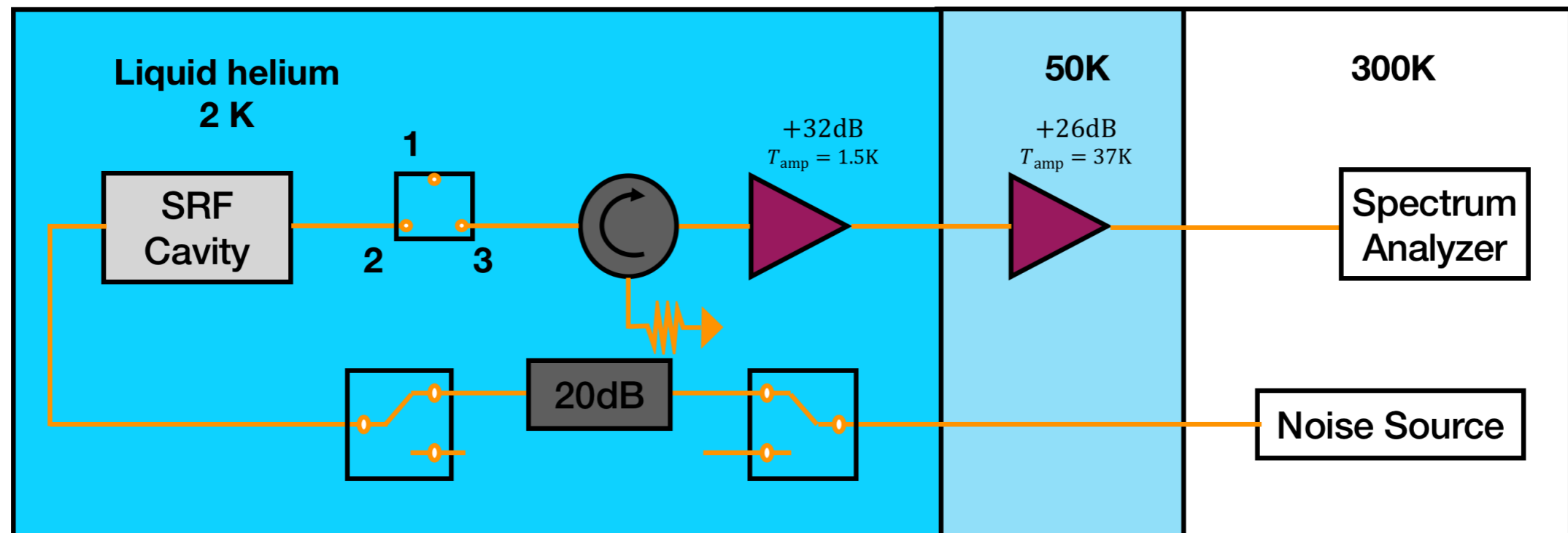
1-2 connection: VTS measurement for the cavity property.

# Step 2: calibration



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

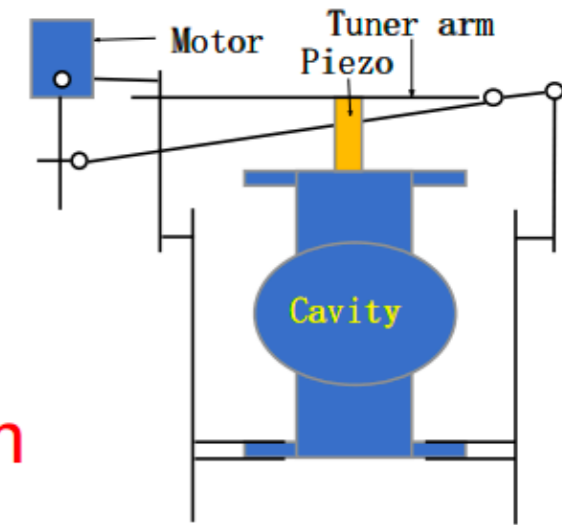
# Step 3: Do experiment



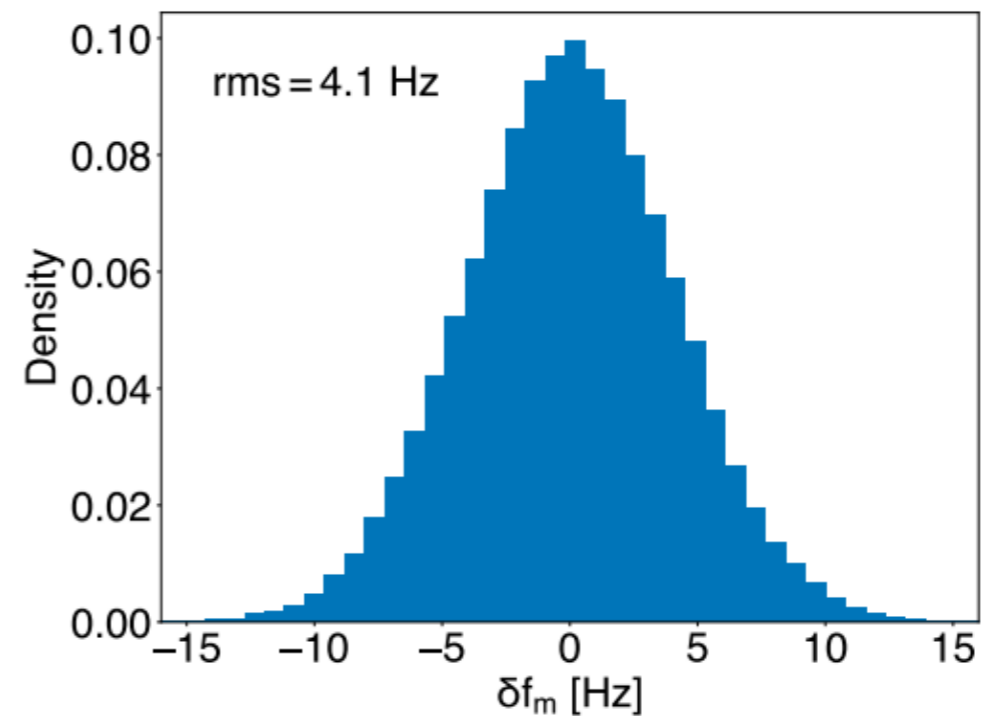
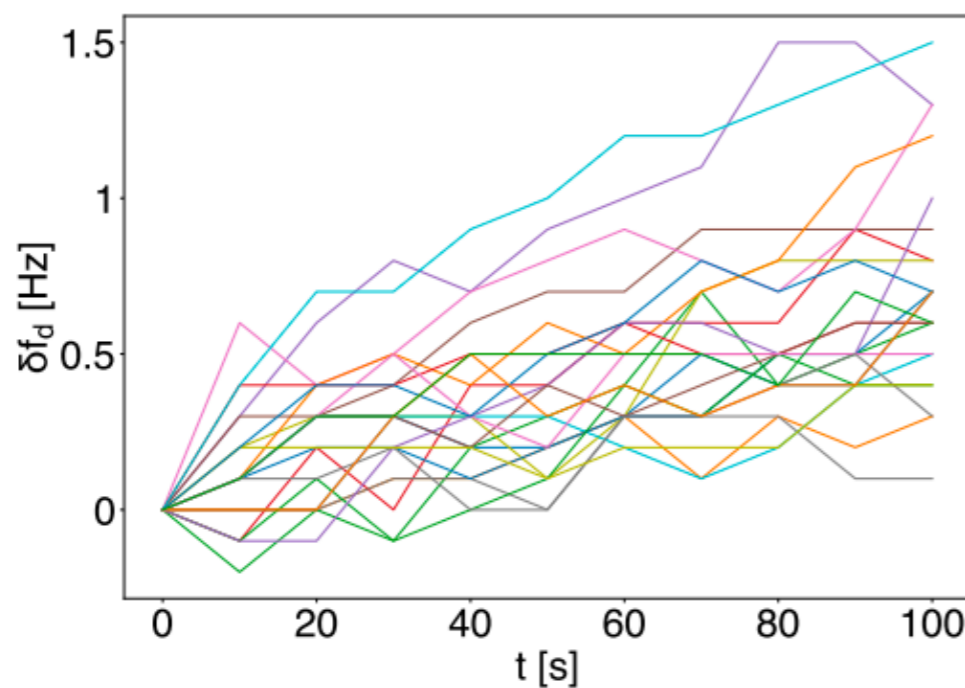
2-3 connection: tune the cavity resonant frequency to do the experiment



# Scan Search with Mechanical Tuning



- ▶ Mechanical tuner 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  $\sigma_{f_0} \approx 4\text{Hz}$

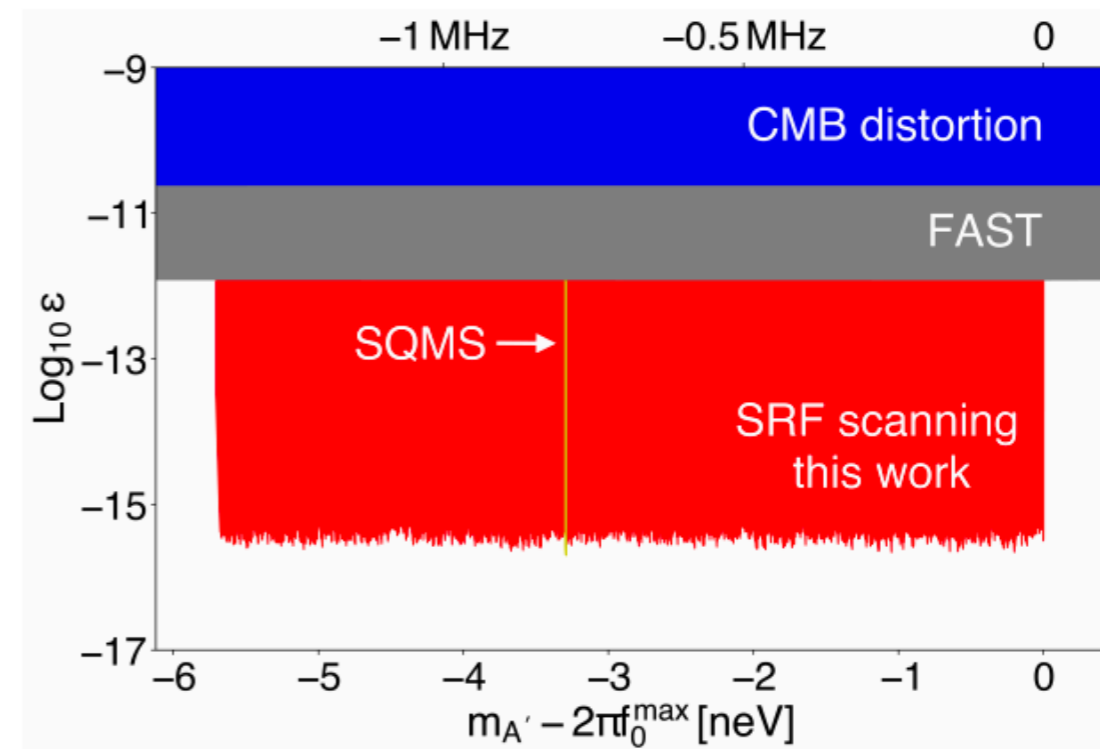
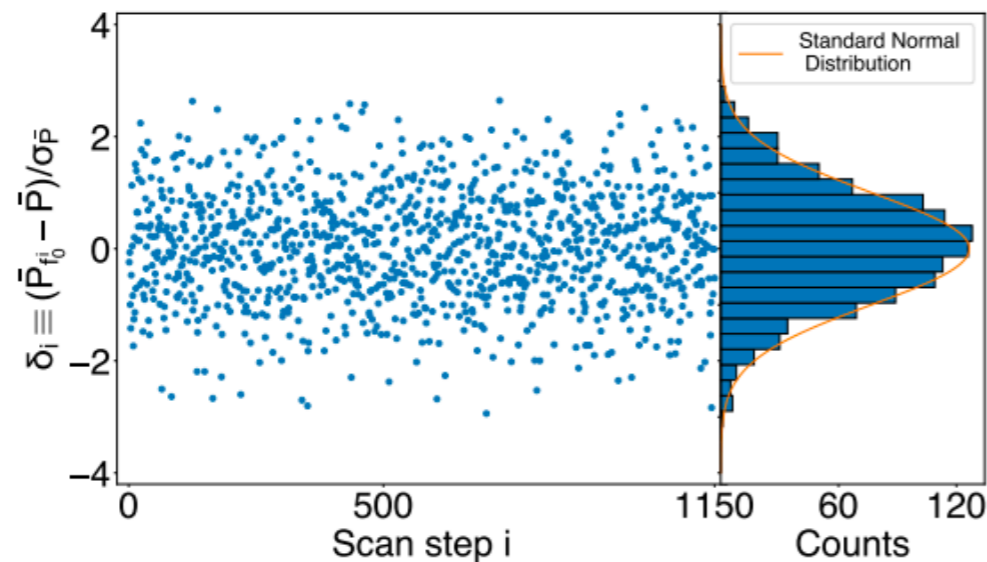


- ▶ **Conservatively** choose  $\Delta f_0 \approx 10\text{Hz}$

New results: **Microphonics effect do not** enters into the noise control (bounds can be **deeper**)

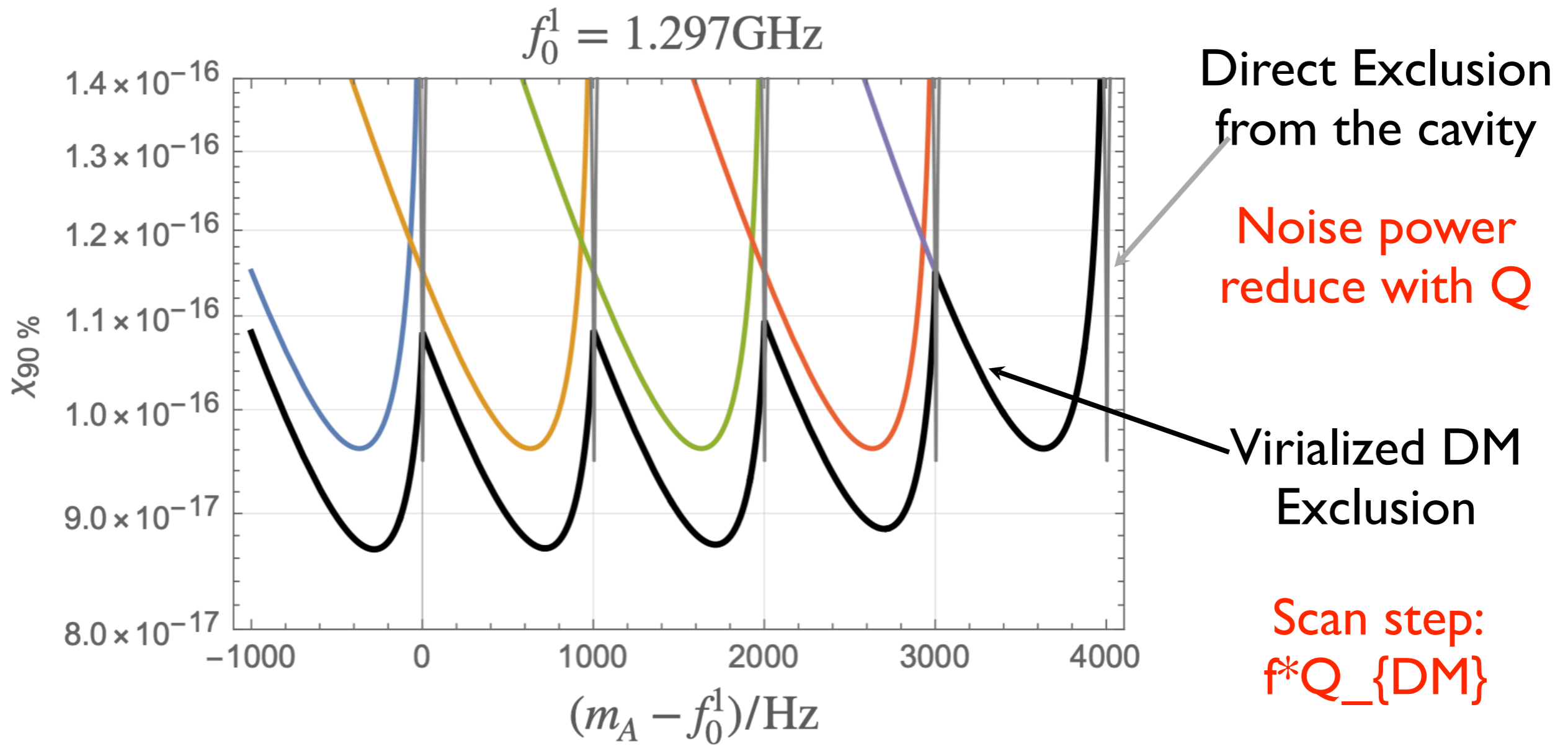
# Data analysis and constraints

- ▶ 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**:



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

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



simple fit function (constant):  
attenuation factor almost 1

different from ADMX

# Cosmic DP backgrounds

## The Cosmic Axion Background

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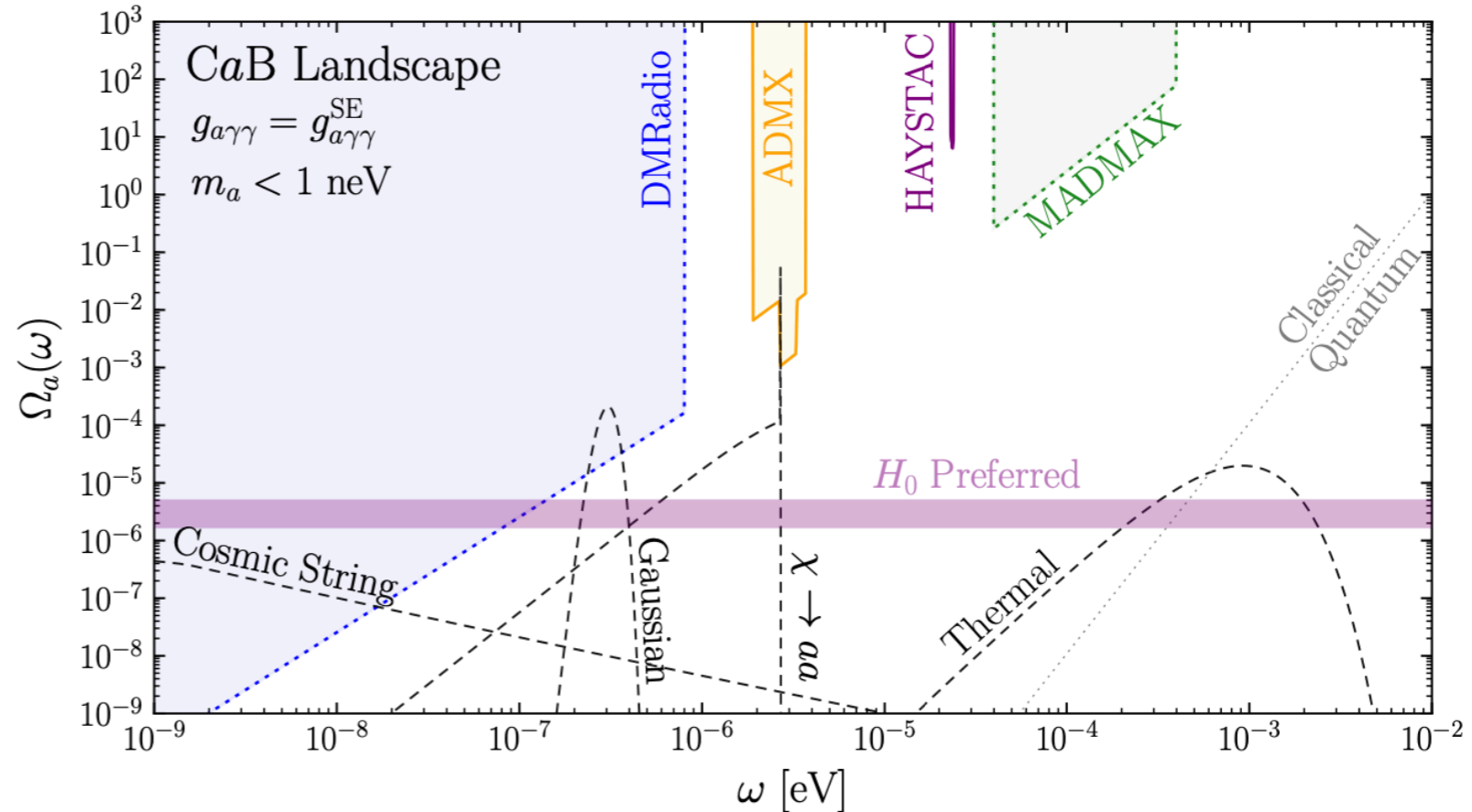
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Besides the DM searches, new particles can be served as the cosmic backgrounds.

- Relativistic
- Anisotropic



# Modulated Signal from Galactic Dark Photons

- How about galactic DP backgrounds? (Anisotropic backgrounds, from annihilation or decay?)

Perturbative cascade decay (broad 4-body spectrum)

Parametric resonance decay (relative sharp 2-body spectrum)

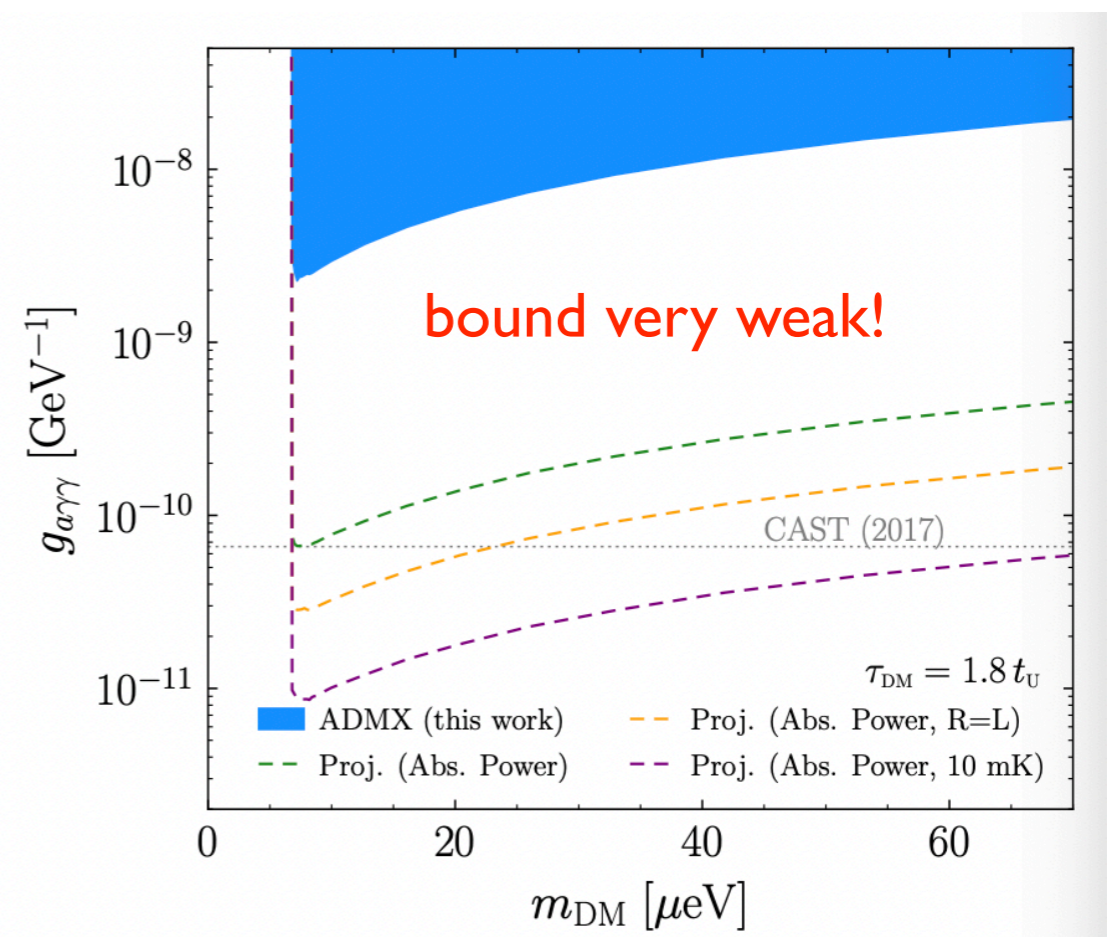
- ADMX experiment (axion)

The very deep constrains for DP would give us much stringent constrains

- Polarization

Longitudinal: from a heavy dark Higgs decay

Transverse: axion-DP coupling

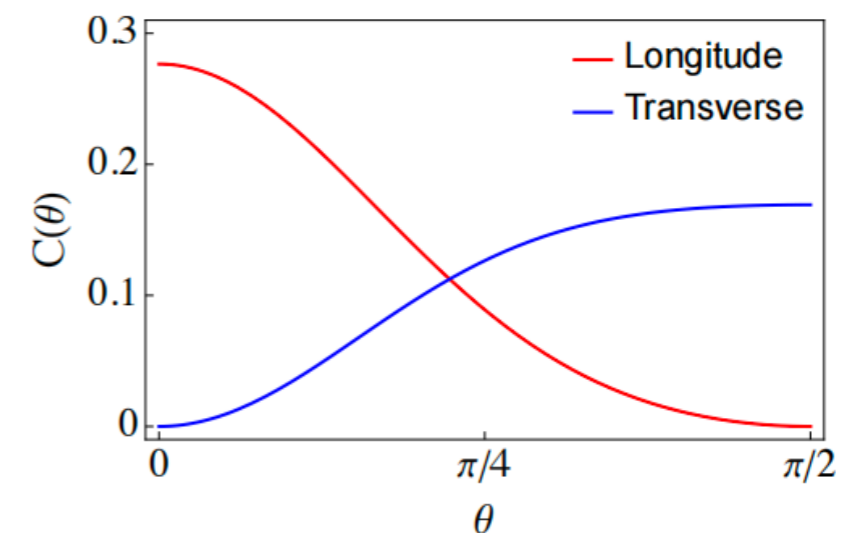
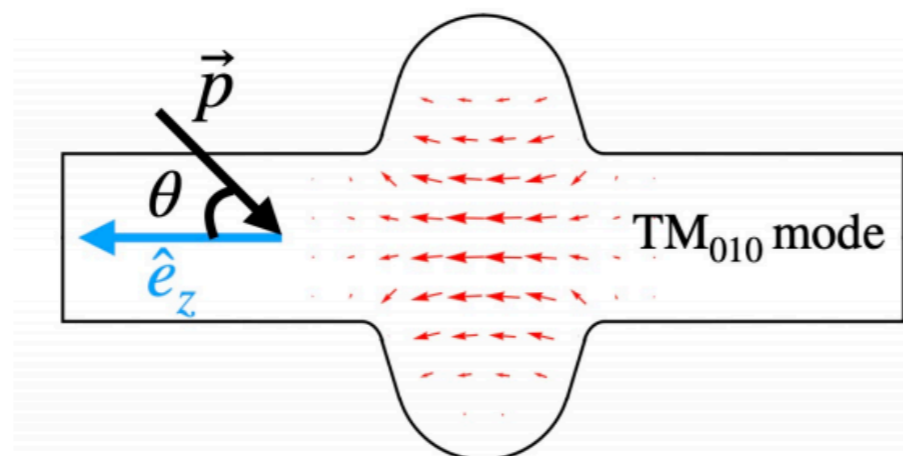
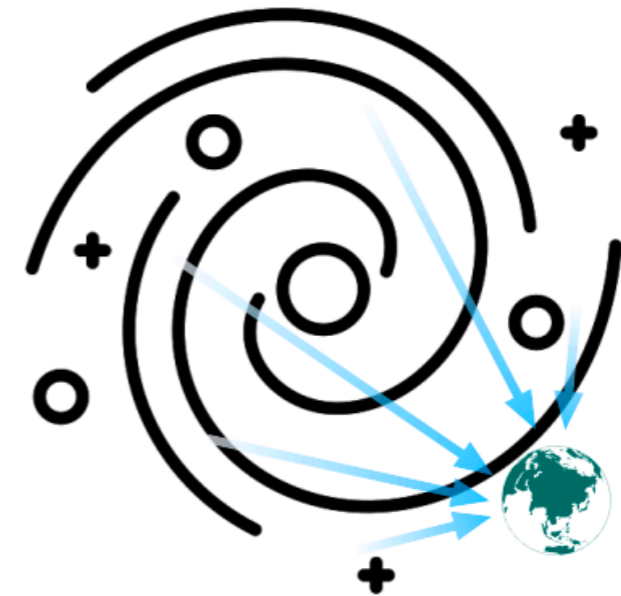


# Modulated Signal from Galactic Dark Photons

▶ Galactic dark photons from DM decay, e.g.:  
cascade decay from DM halo

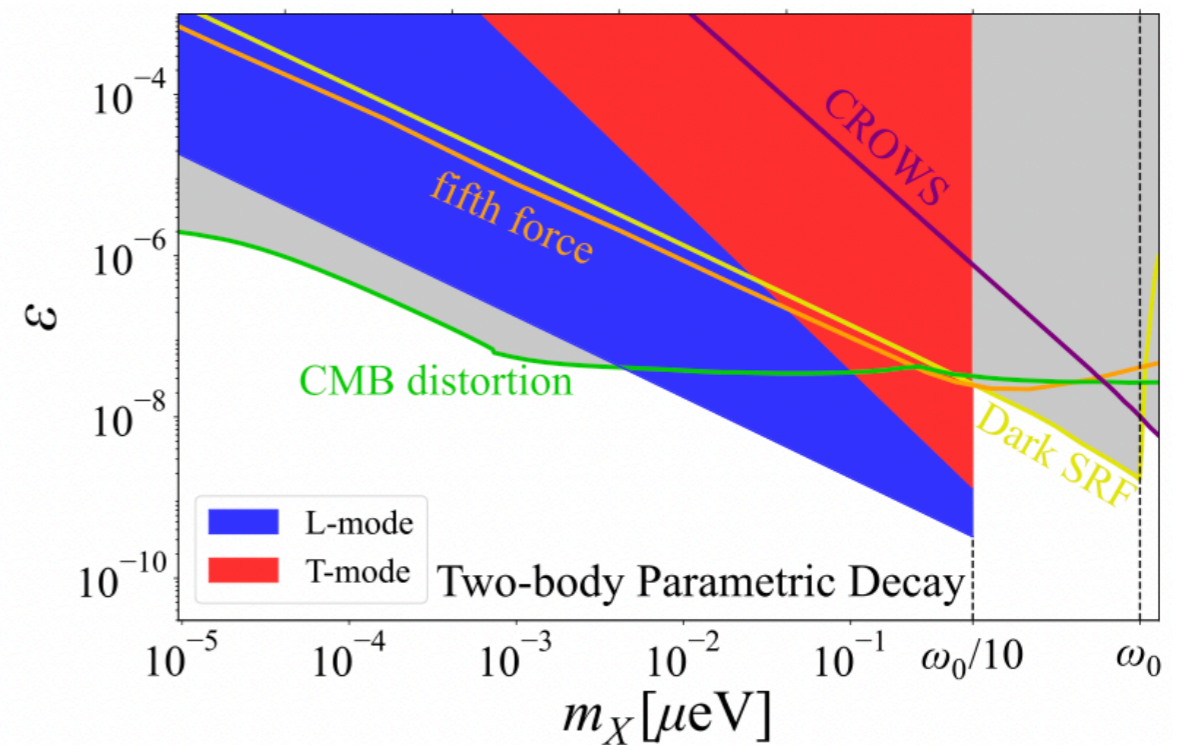
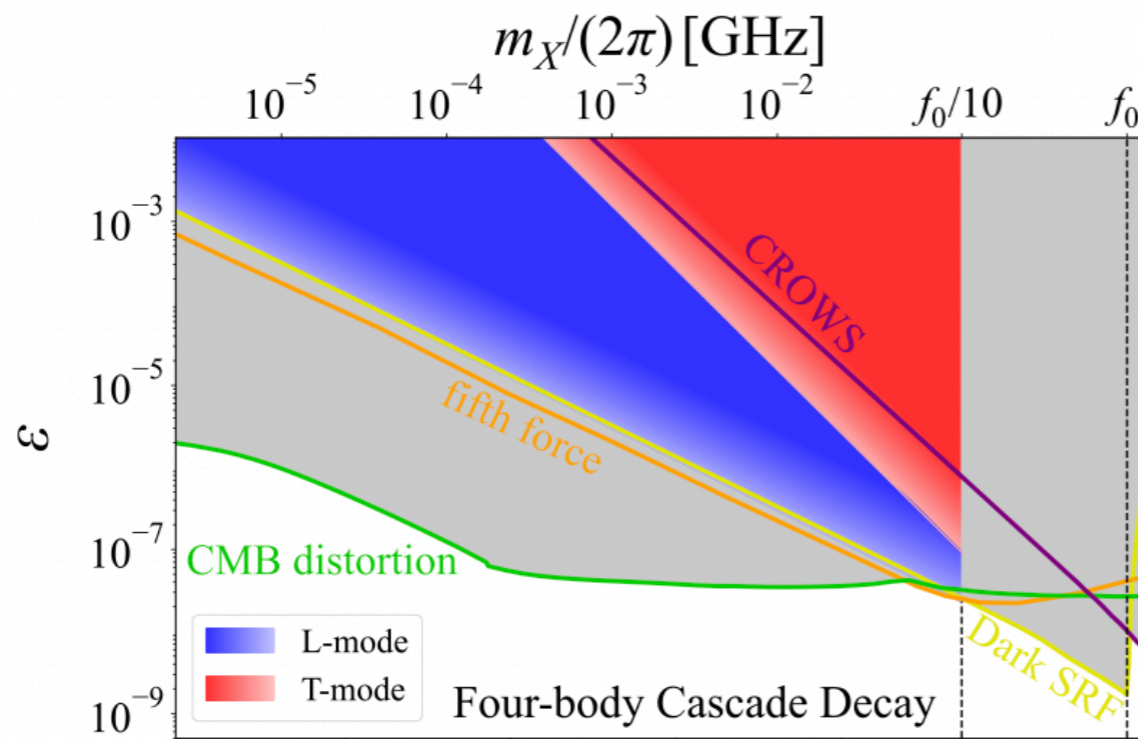
▶ **Vectorial** observable  $\propto \vec{A}'$   
→ angular-dependent signal  $\propto C(\theta)$   
→ modulation as the Earth rotates

▶ 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  $\rightarrow$  **combine all scan steps** to analyze
- ▶ **Longitude** mode has **better sensitivity** because of the larger spatial wavefunction  $\sim \omega_{A'}/m_{A'}$



- ▶ Gradient color region represents exclusions for different DM mass

# International SRF Campaigns

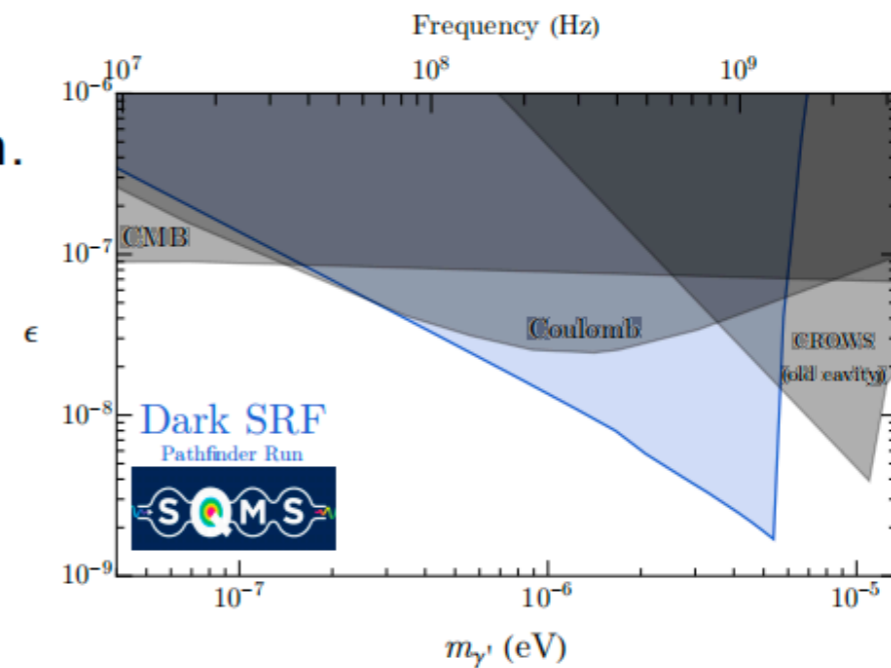
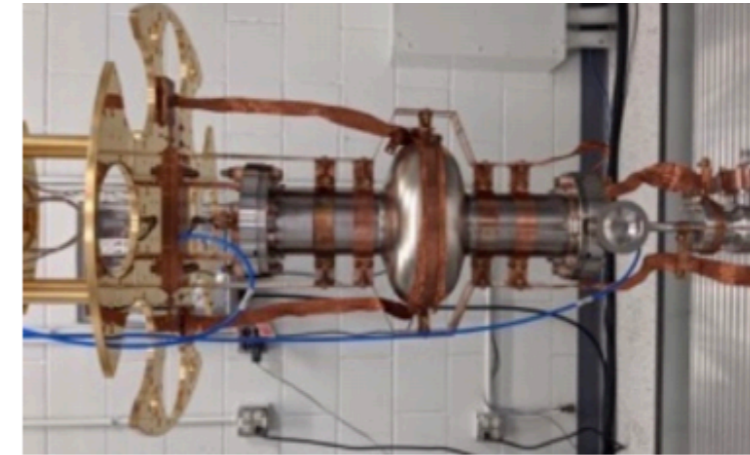
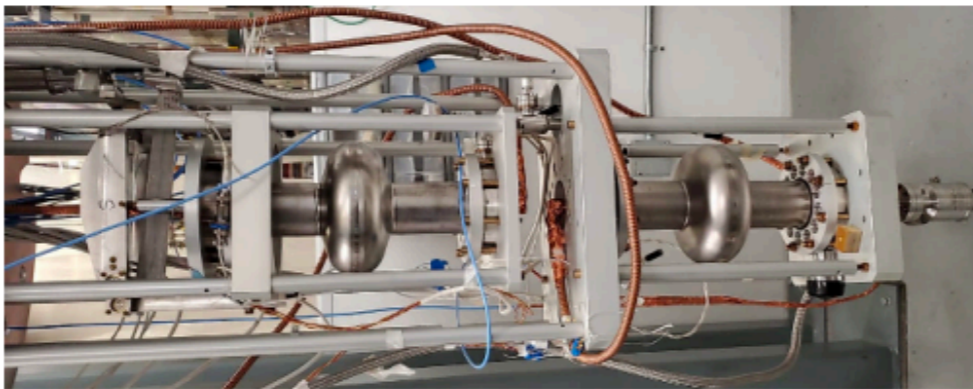
## ► Fermilab SQMS

### ●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.





# SRF for axion search

$$\sum_n \left( \partial_t^2 + \frac{\omega_n}{Q_n} \partial_t + \omega_n^2 \right) \mathbf{E}_n = g_{a\gamma\gamma} \partial_t (\mathbf{B} \partial_t a)$$

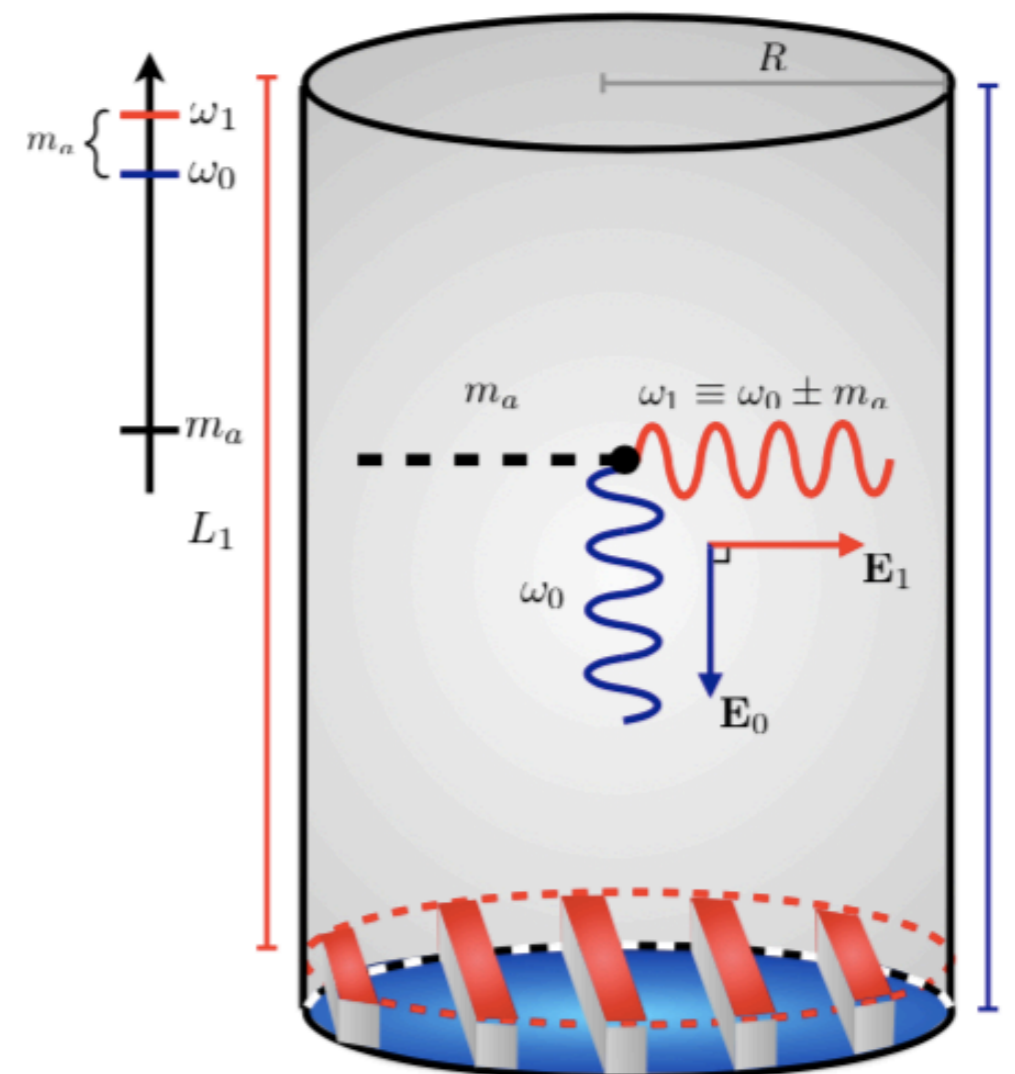
The AC magnetic field  $\mathbf{B}$  inside SRF

$$\omega_1 \simeq \omega_0 + m_a \quad \partial_t(\mathbf{B}) \simeq i\omega_0 \mathbf{B}$$

The axion mass corresponds to the energy level **difference**, so one can make the axion mass much **smaller** than the size of the cavity! (Scan over a wide range)

$$P_{\text{sig}} \simeq \frac{1}{4} (g_{a\gamma\gamma} \eta_{10} B_0)^2 \rho_{\text{DM}} V \times \pi Q_a / m_a$$

A.Berlin, R.T. D'Agnolo, et al, JHEP07(2020)no.07, 088.

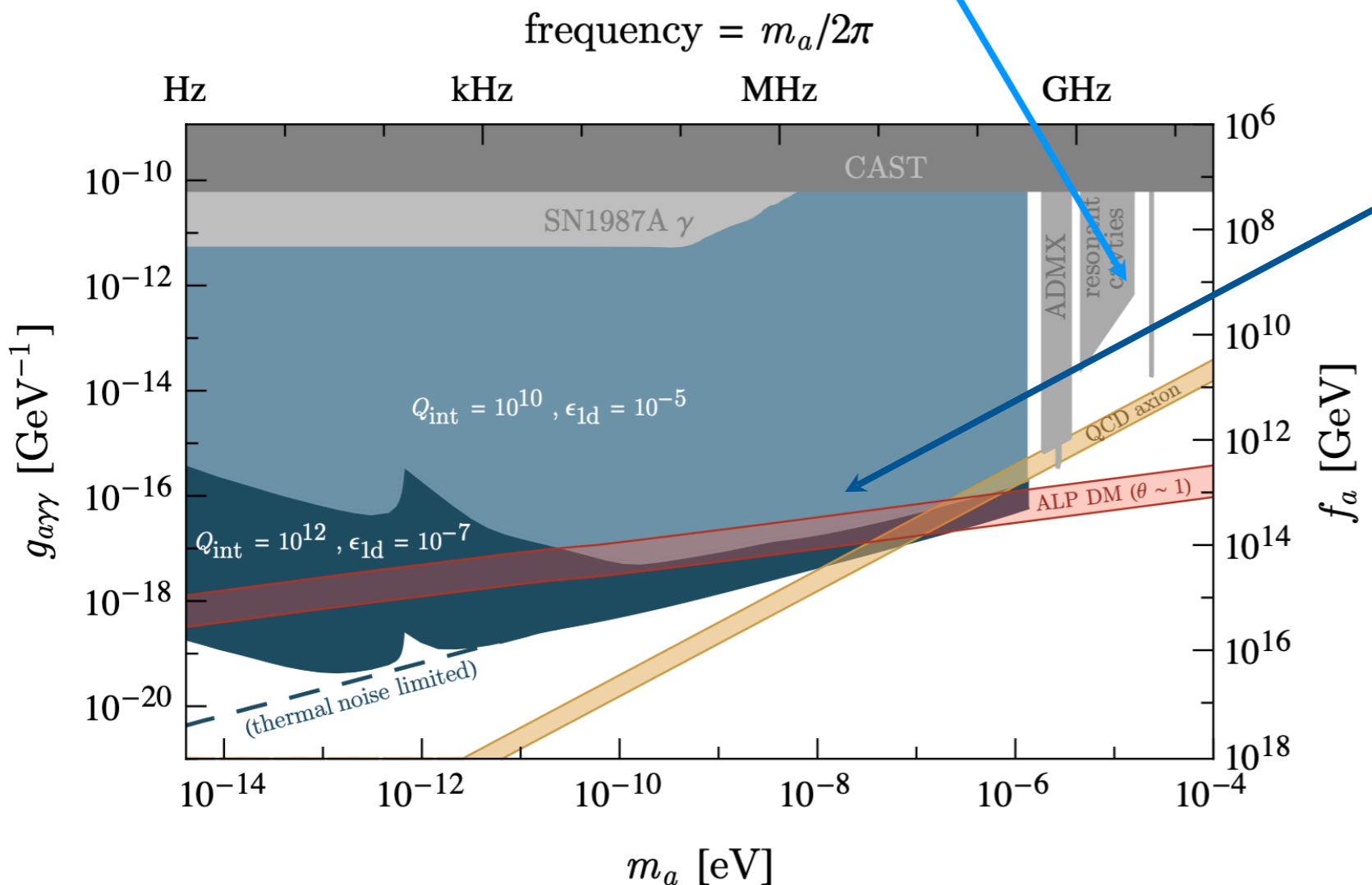


# 超导谐振腔搜寻轴子暗物质

Normal cavity:  $\omega_1 \simeq m_a$        $\partial_t(\mathbf{B}) \simeq 0$

Normal cavity detection frequency is limited by the cavity size.

$\omega_1 \simeq \omega_0 + m_a$        $\partial_t(\mathbf{B}) \simeq i\omega_0 \mathbf{B}$



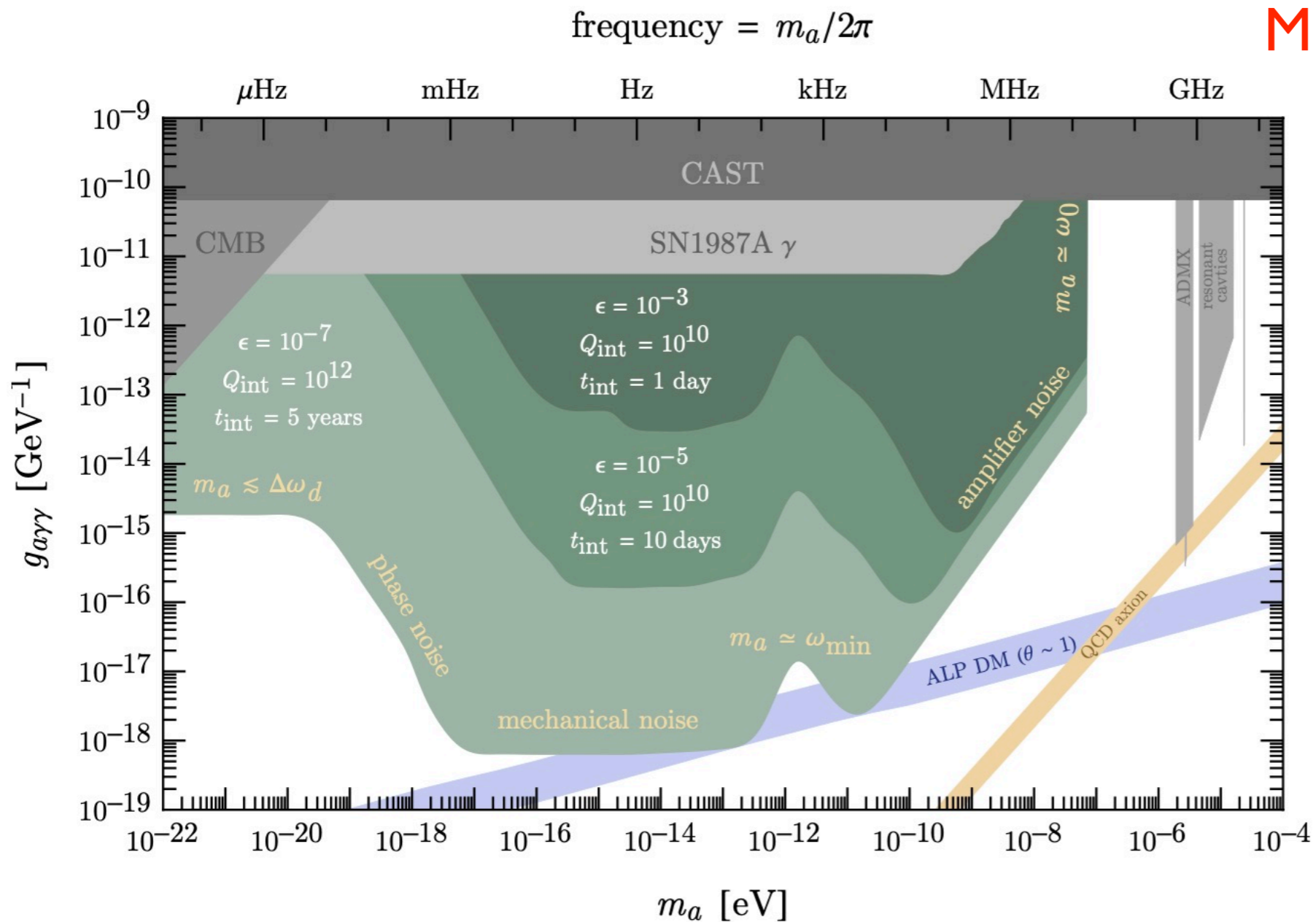
The quasi-degenerate mode can help detect the **light mass** region, probe a much **wider range**.

Large unexplored parameter space!

# Broadband search

For ultra-light axion,  $\omega_1 = \omega_0 + m_a \simeq \omega_0$

Two degenerate and transverse modes can reach the ultra-light region!



MHz: readout, thermal noise dominate

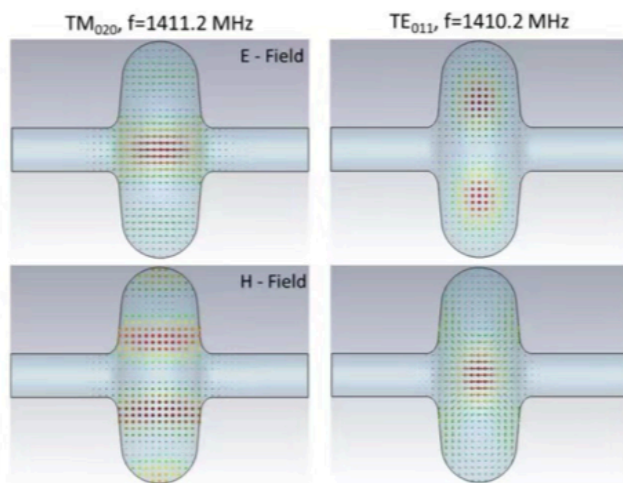
# Axion search

TDR like

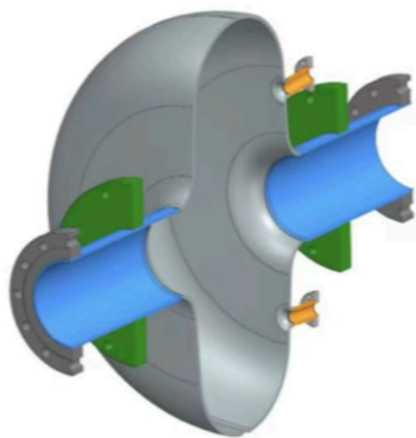
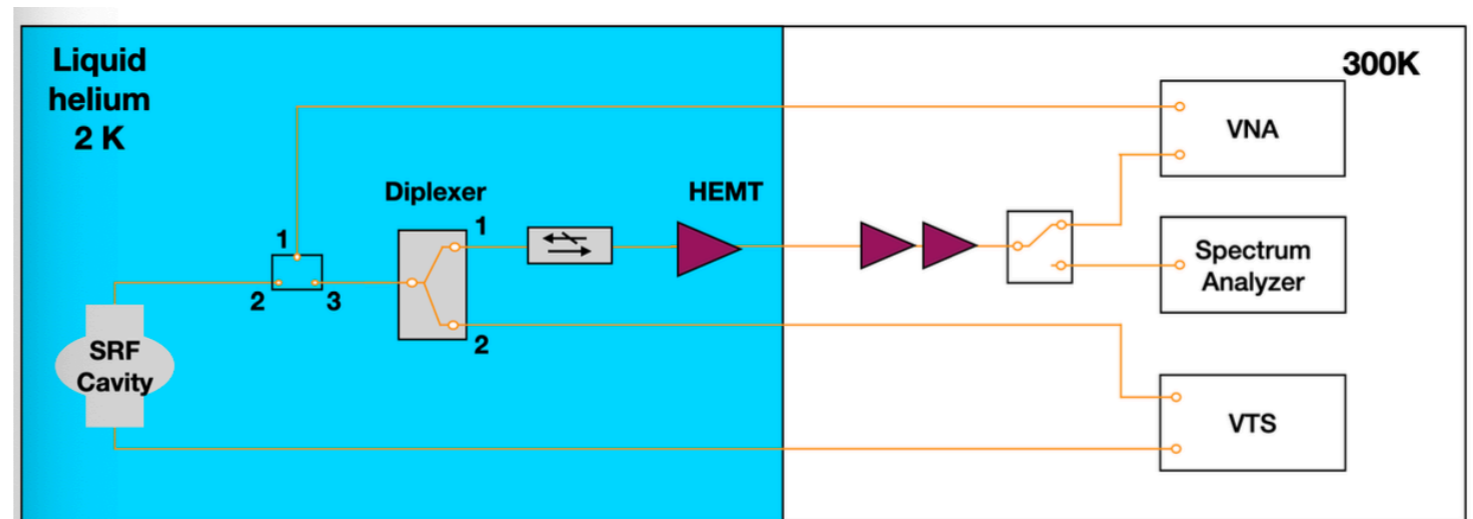
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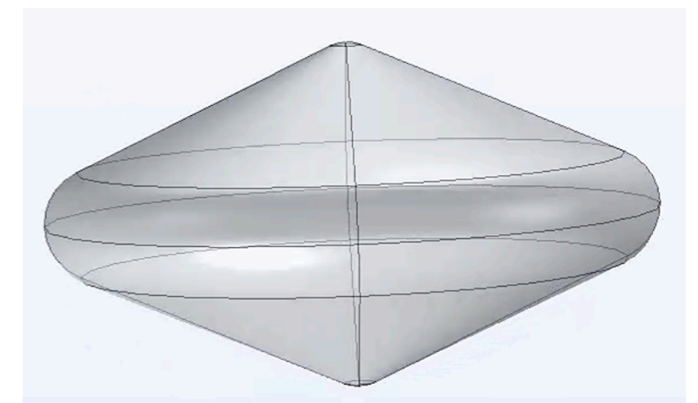
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Using the existing 1.3G cavity as a pathfinder



New designed cavity will be operated in the future.

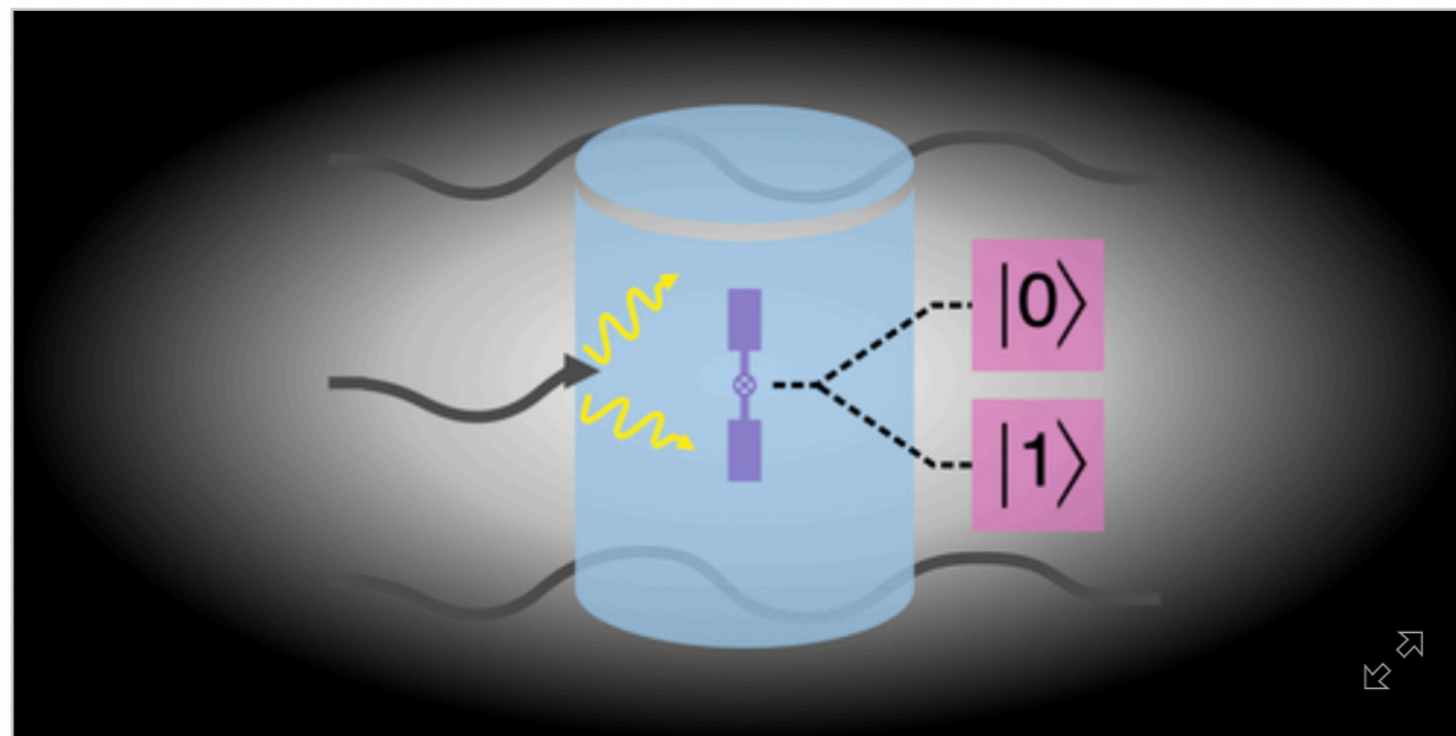


# Quantum qubits measure DPDM

## Qubits Could Act as Sensitive Dark Matter Detectors

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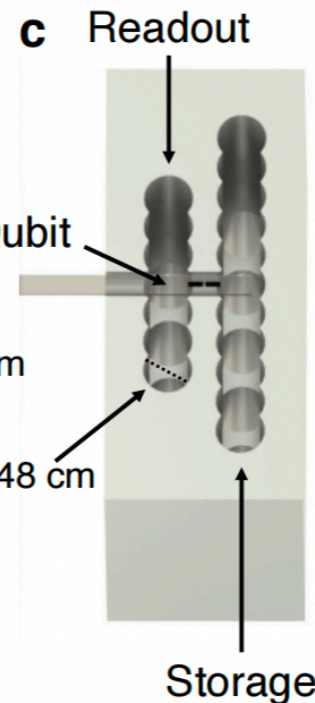
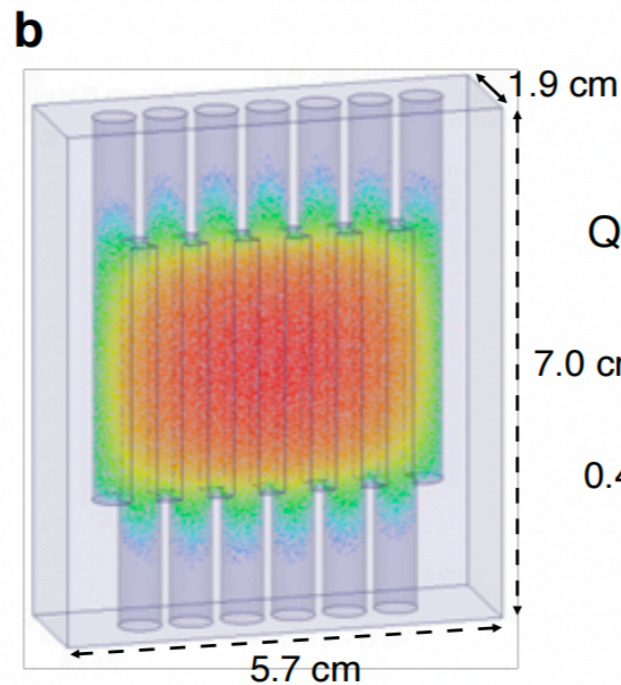
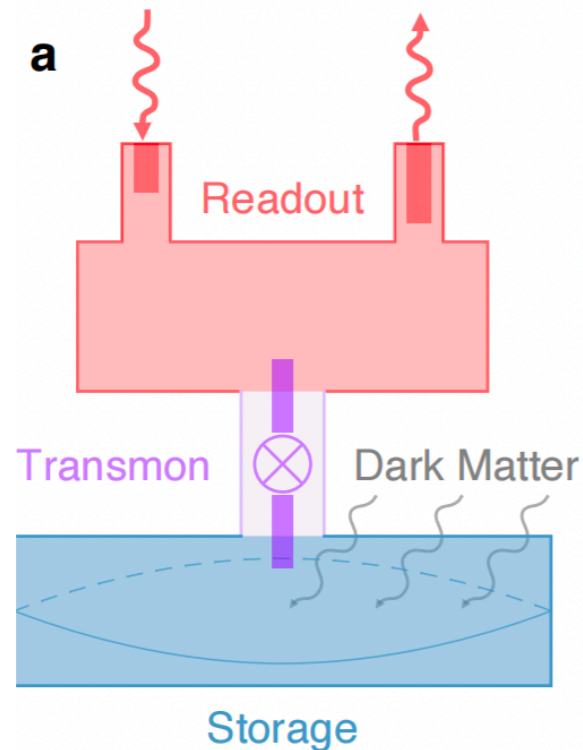
A detector made from superconducting qubits could allow researchers to search for dark matter particles 1000 times faster than other techniques can.



A. Dixit/University of Chicago

# Quantum qubits measure DPDM

AI 3D SRF  $Q \sim 2 \times 10^7$



**Storage** 6.011 GHz

**Readout** 8.052 GHz

**Qubit** 4.749 GHz

$$\mathcal{H} = \omega_c a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2} \omega_q \sigma_z + 2\chi a^\dagger a \frac{1}{2} \sigma_z$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \omega_c a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2} \omega_q \sigma_z + 2\chi a^\dagger a \frac{1}{2} \sigma_z$$

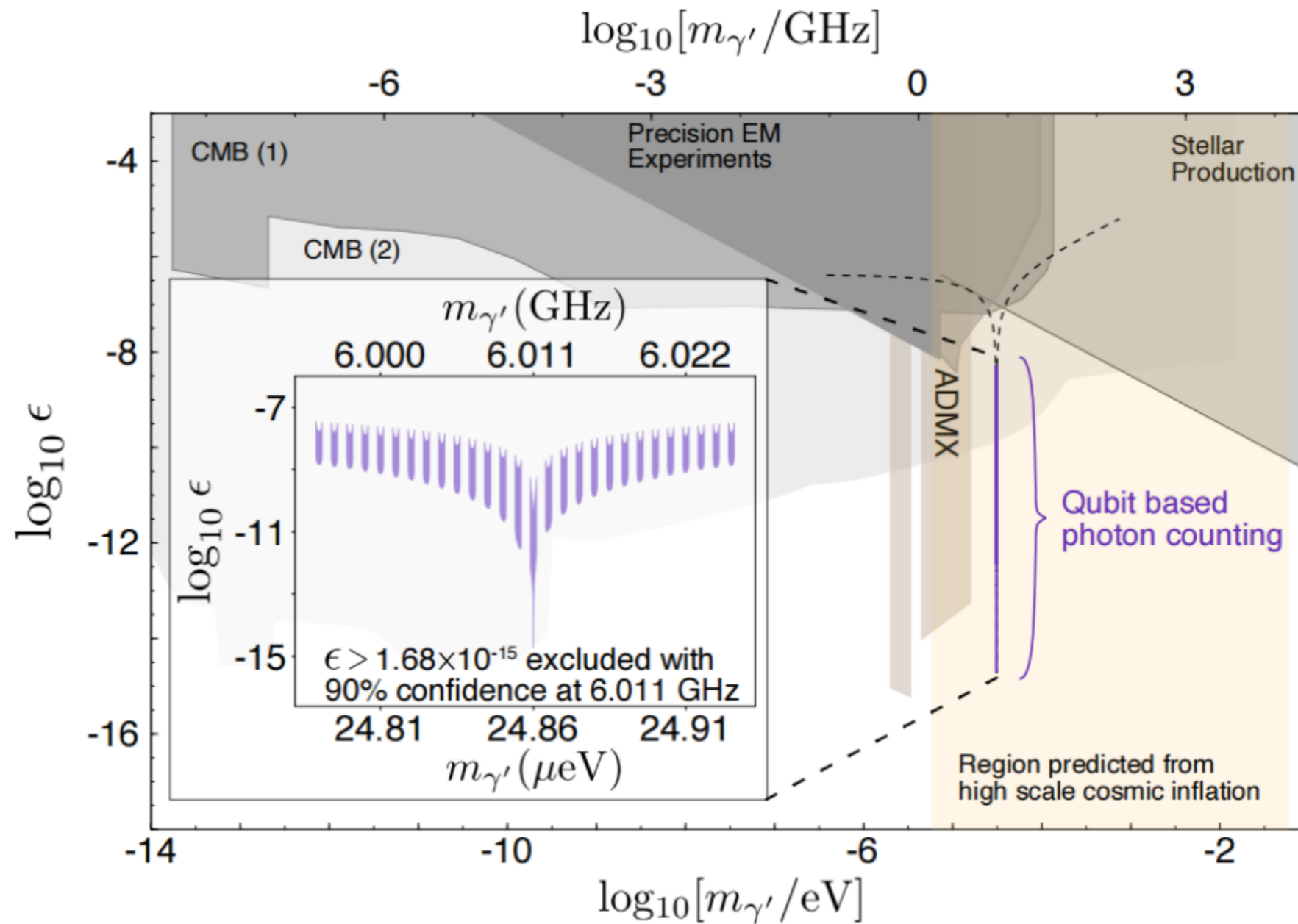
Qubit: two energy level system, induce non-demolition measurements (spectroscopy)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_{int} &= \vec{d} \cdot \vec{E} \\ &= g(\sigma_+ + \sigma_-)(a + a^\dagger) \\ &\sim 2\chi a^\dagger a \frac{1}{2} \sigma_z \end{aligned}$$

DPDM signal: count the photon number by f shift

Ramsey interferometry, etc

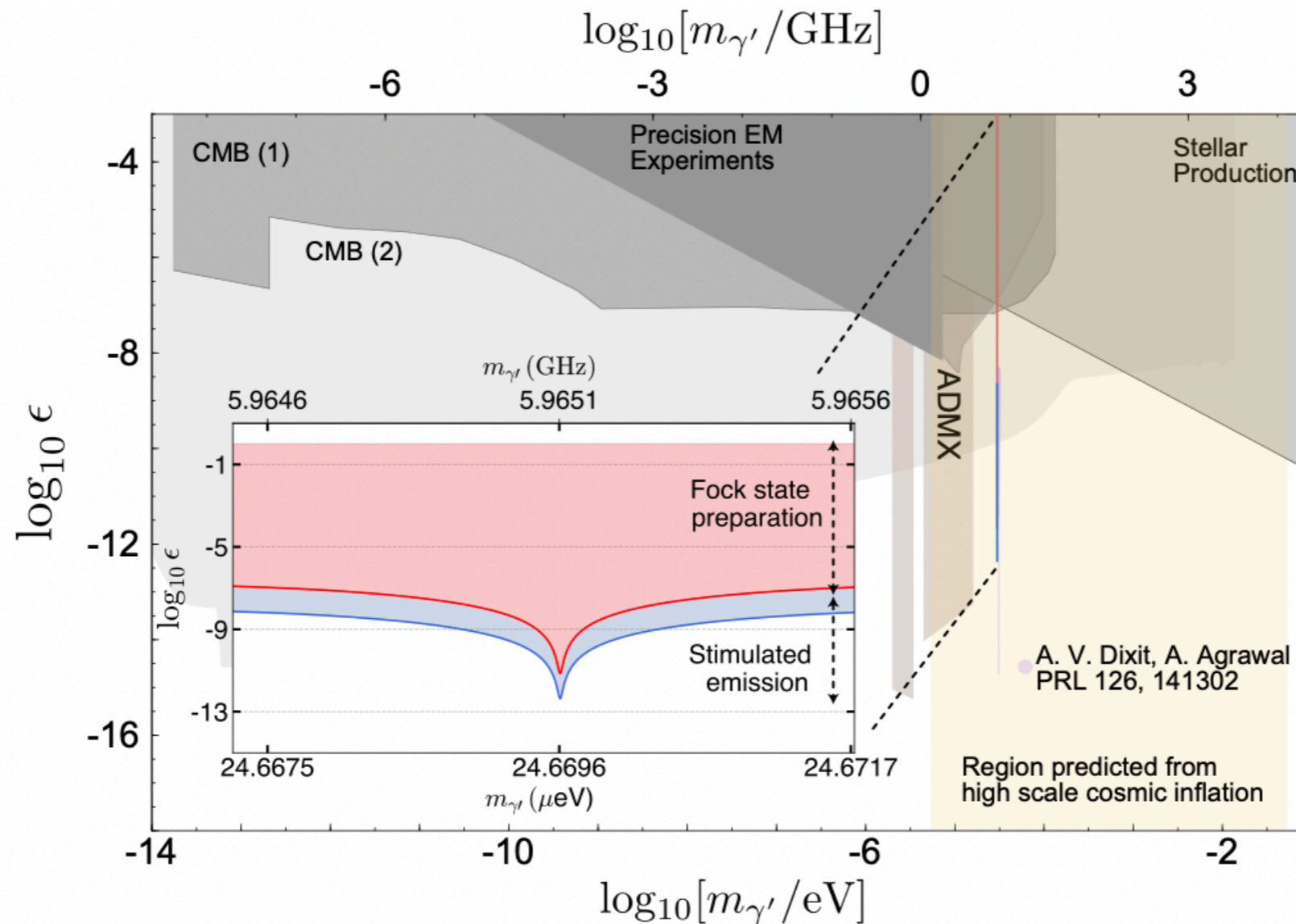
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$$\epsilon > 1.68 \times 10^{-15}$$

A. V. Dixit *et al.*, "Searching for dark matter with a superconducting qubit," *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **126**, 141302 (2021).

# Quantum qubits measure DPDM



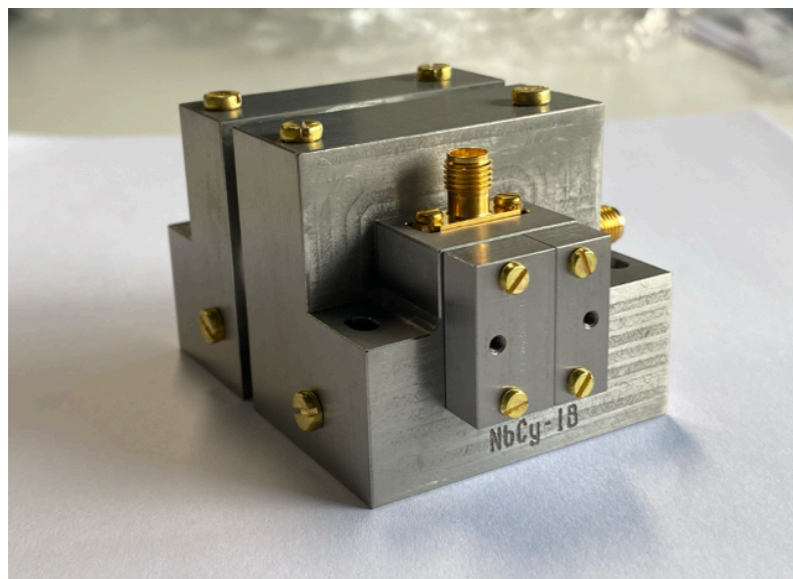
$\epsilon \geq 4.35 \times 10^{-13}$       DPDM: Using the Fock state to measure

A. Agrawal, Akash V. Dixit, Tanay Roy, Srivatsan Chakram, Kevin He, Ravi K. Naik, David I. Schuster, Aaron Chou, Phys.Rev.Lett. 132 (2024) 14, 140801 • e-Print: 2305.03700 [quant-ph]

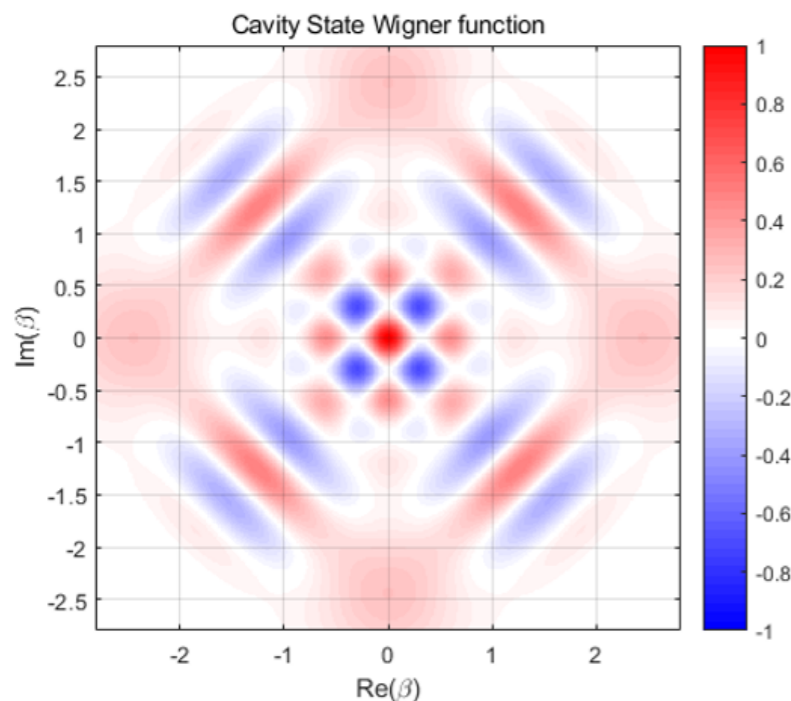


# Quantum qubits measure DPDM

Improved SRF Q by 1 order by using Nb instead of Al



	Fermi Lab	CC-2B	NbCy-1B <sup>(1)</sup>	NbCy-1B <sup>(3)</sup>
Qubit (GHz)	4.749	4.962	5.205	5.134
$T_{1q}$ ( $\mu$ s)	108	114	73.8	58.9
$T_{2q}$ ( $\mu$ s)	61	189	40.0	55.6
$t_{\pi}$ (ns)	$\sigma = 6$	20	200	30
$n_q$ ( $\times 10^{-2}$ )	5.1	2.49	1.31	0.52
$T_q$ (mK)	78	64.9	57.8	46.9
Storage (GHz)	6.011	6.532	6.439	6.439
$T_{1s}$ ( $\mu$ s)	546	639.6	3573	2783
$T_{2s}$ ( $\mu$ s)	774	$\sim 900$	5079	$\sim 4300$
$Q_s$ ( $\times 10^7$ )	2.06	2.63	14.5	11.3
$\chi_{qs}$ (MHz)	1.13	2.59	0.6	0.56
$t_p$ (ns)	380	172	569	877



Better measurements by using the cat-like states

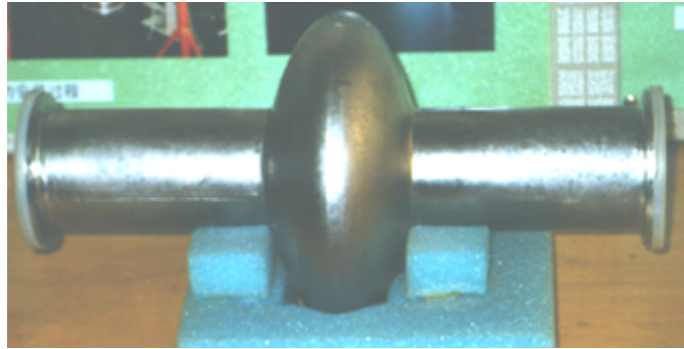
Our new results  $\sim 10^{-15}$

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**A brief introduction to the  
team member**



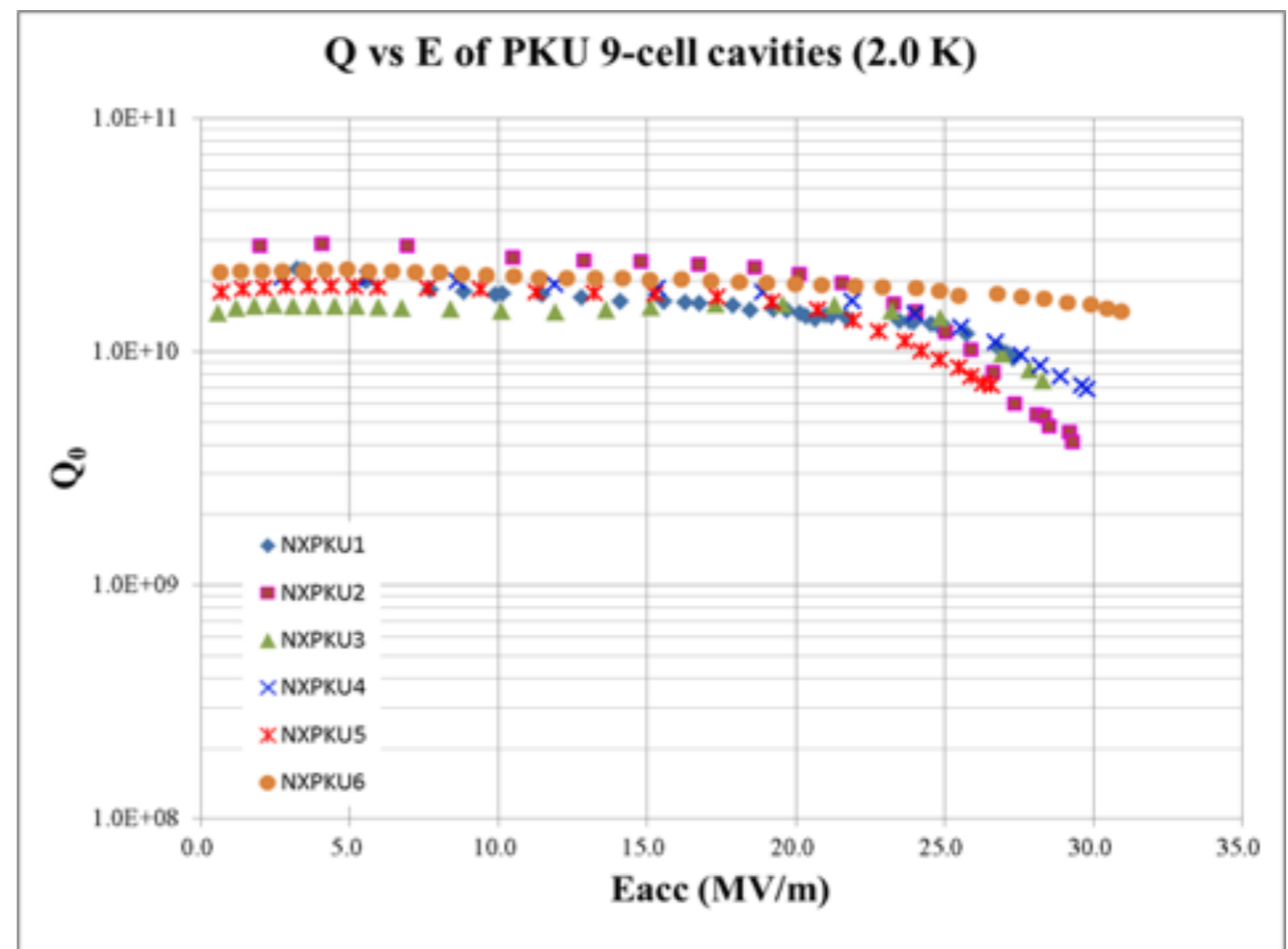
# SRF in Peking University



First 9-cell for ILC

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

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



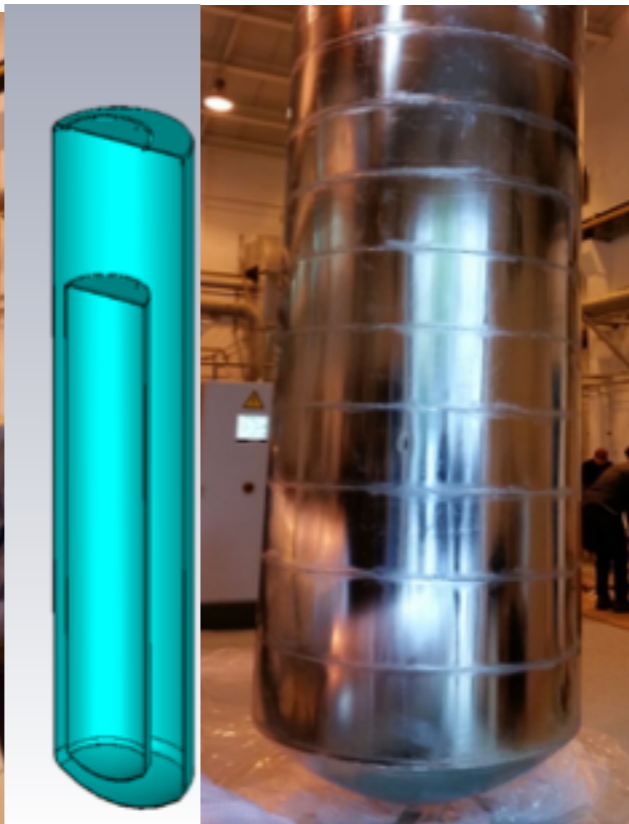
# Experimental facilities



Liquid helium system



2K pumping system



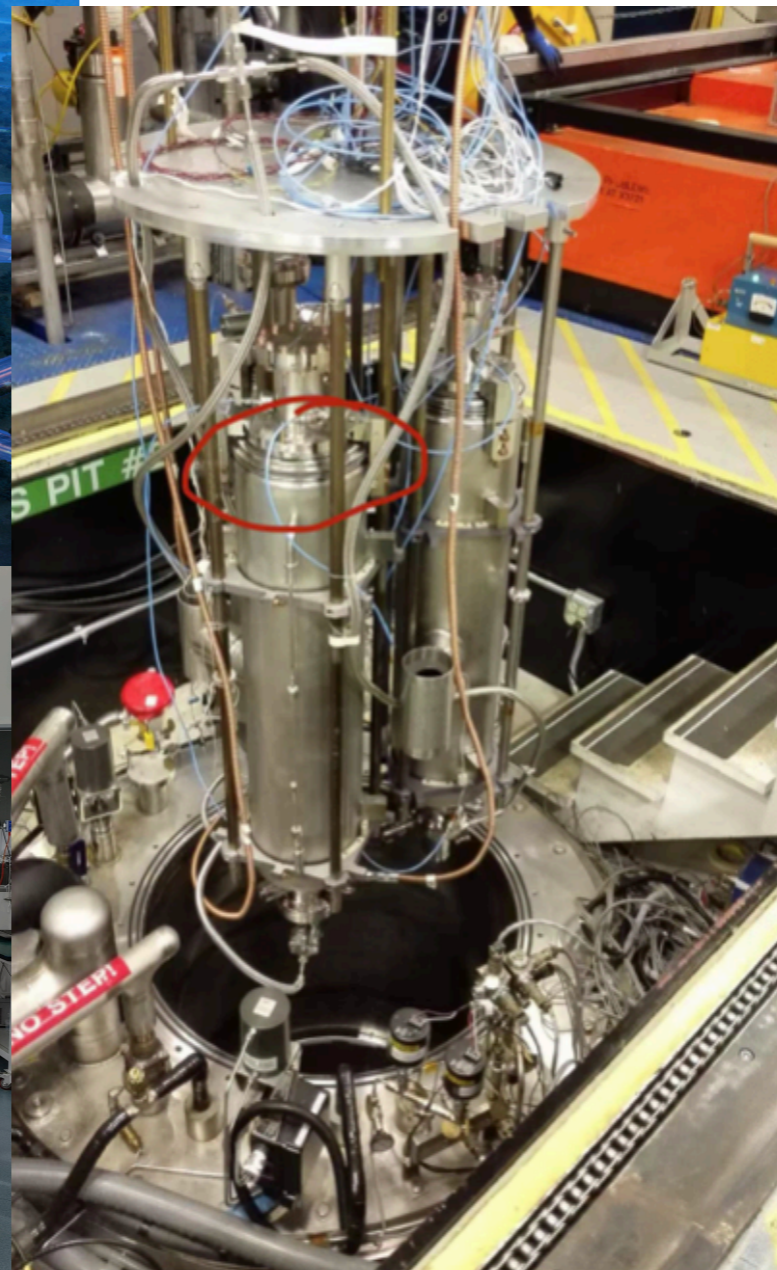
Vertical Dewar Cavity suspension Magnetic shielding

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

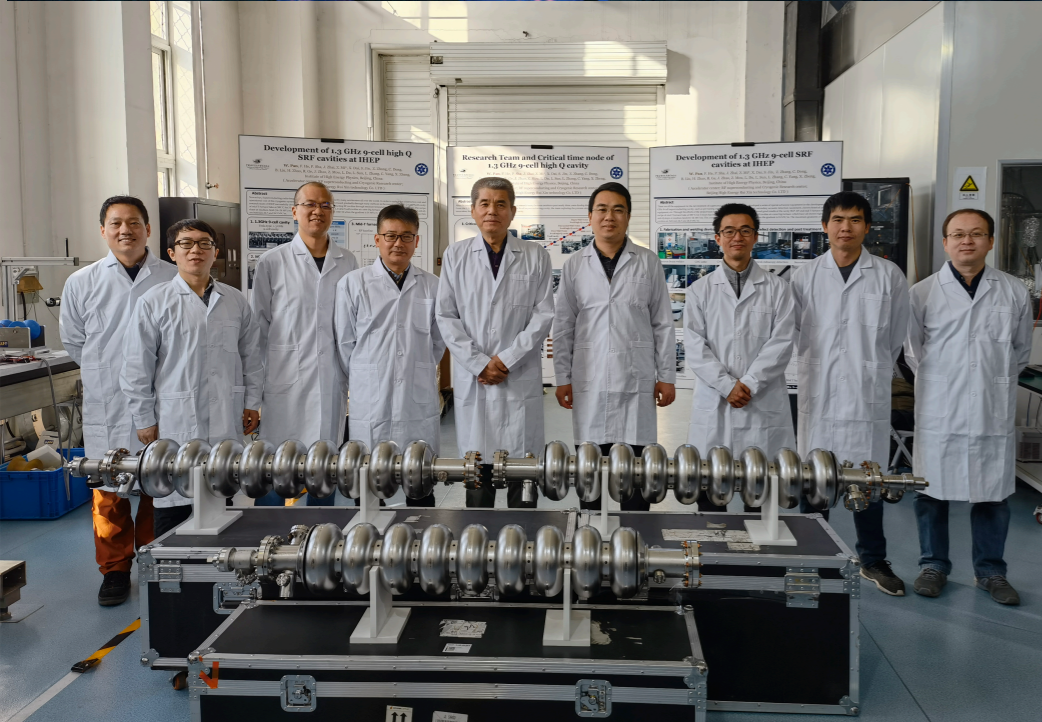
# SRF in IHEP



中国科学院高能物理研究所  
Institute of High Energy Physics Chinese Academy of Sciences



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



# SHANHE collaboration

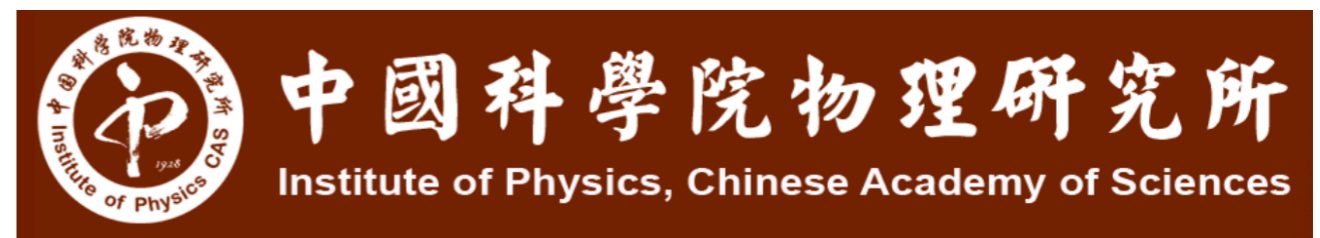
Superconducting cavity for High-frequency gravitational wave, Axion, and other New particles in High Energy physics



Main collaboration



Supportive collaboration



北京量子信息科学研究院  
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# SHANHE collaboration

## 1. 研究方向介绍（包括人员等）

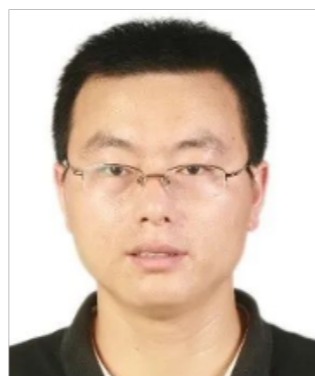
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# Summary and outlook



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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 .

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**Thank you!**