



# 轴子物理与轴子暗物质

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# Outlines

- Axion and its couplings
- Axion couplings to vector mesons
- Axion and axion-like dark matter
- Summary

# The QCD axion and the Strong CP problem

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{\theta g_s^2}{32\pi^2} G\tilde{G} - (\bar{u}_L M_u u_R + \bar{d}_L M_d d_R + \text{h.c.})$$

- The CKM matrix from  $M_{u,d}$ 
  - CP violating phase  $\theta_{\text{CP}} \sim 1.2$  radian
- QCD induced CP violating phase,  $\bar{\theta}$

$$\bar{\theta} = \theta + \arg [\det [M_u M_d]]$$

- $\bar{\theta}$  is invariant under quark chiral rotation
- According to neutron EDM experiment

$$d_{\text{EDM}}^n \sim \theta \times 10^{-16} \text{ e cm}$$

$$d_{\text{exp}}^n < 10^{-26} \text{ e cm}$$

$$\bar{\theta} \lesssim 1.3 \times 10^{-10} \text{ radian}$$

# The Peccei-Quinn solution to Strong CP problem

- Experiment requires  $\bar{\theta} = \theta + \arg [\det [M_u M_d]] \lesssim 10^{-1} \text{rad}$
- PQ: promote the constant  $\bar{\theta}$  to a dynamical field,  $a$
- Vafa-Witten theorem: vector-like theory (QCD) has ground state  $\langle \theta \rangle = 0$
- Introduce a *global* PQ-symmetry  $U(1)_{\text{PQ}}$ , *anomalous* under the QCD
- The massless Goldstone boson  $a$  is called *axion*

- $a \rightarrow a + \kappa f_a \Rightarrow \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S} + \frac{\kappa}{32\pi^2} \int d^4x G\tilde{G}$ , cancels  $\bar{\theta}$

- Low energy:  $\mathcal{L} = \sum_q \bar{q} \left( iD_\mu \gamma^\mu - m_q \right) q - \frac{1}{4} GG + \frac{g_s^2}{32\pi^2} \frac{a}{f_a} G\tilde{G} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \partial_\mu a \right)^2 + \mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}[\partial_\mu a]$

# The axion effective Lagrangian at quark-level

- A more detailed effective Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff},0} = \bar{q}_0(iD_\mu\gamma^\mu - \mathbf{m}_{q,0})q_0 + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu a)(\partial^\mu a) - \frac{m_{a,0}^2}{2}a^2 \\ + g_{ag,0}\frac{a}{f_a}G\tilde{G} + g_{a\gamma,0}\frac{a}{f_a}F\tilde{F} + \frac{\partial_\mu a}{f_a}(\bar{q}_L\mathbf{k}_{L,0}\gamma^\mu q_L + \bar{q}_R\mathbf{k}_{R,0}\gamma^\mu q_R + \dots)$$

Bauer et al, PRL 127 (2021), 081803

- Quark mass  $\mathbf{m}_{q,0}$  diagonal and real
- Coupling to both left/right fermions  $\mathbf{k}_{L,0}$  and  $\mathbf{k}_{R,0}$

# The axion-dependent chiral rotation

- Use an axion-dependent chiral rotation to eliminate  $aG\tilde{G}$  term

$$q_0(x) = \exp \left[ -i(\boldsymbol{\delta}_{q,0} + \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{q,0}\gamma_5)c_{gg} \frac{a(x)}{f_a} \right] q(x) \quad \text{Tr}(\boldsymbol{\kappa}_{q,0}) = 1$$

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- New effective Lagrangian

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = & \bar{q}(iD_\mu\gamma^\mu - \mathbf{m}_q(a))q + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu a)(\partial^\mu a) - \frac{m_{a,0}^2}{2}a^2 \\ & + g_{a\gamma} \frac{a}{f_a} F\tilde{F} + \frac{\partial_\mu a}{f_a} (\bar{q}_L \mathbf{k}_L(a)\gamma^\mu q_L + \bar{q}_R \mathbf{k}_R(a)\gamma^\mu q_R + \dots) \end{aligned}$$

# The axion-dependent chiral rotation

- Define the chiral rotations (2-flavor for simplicity)

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{\theta}_L &\equiv \boldsymbol{\delta}_{q,0} - \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{q,0} & U_L &\equiv \exp \left[ -i\boldsymbol{\theta}_L a / f_a \right] \\ \boldsymbol{\theta}_R &\equiv \boldsymbol{\delta}_{q,0} + \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{q,0} & U_R &\equiv \exp \left[ -i\boldsymbol{\theta}_R a / f_a \right]\end{aligned}$$

- The relations between parameters

$$\mathbf{m}_q(a) = U_L^\dagger \mathbf{m}_0 U_R \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} m_{u,0} e^{-2i\kappa_{u,0} c_{gg}} & 0 \\ 0 & m_{d,0} e^{-2i\kappa_{d,0} c_{gg}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{k}_L(a) = U_L^\dagger [\mathbf{k}_{L,0} + c_{gg} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{L,0}] U_L \rightarrow \mathbf{k}_{L,0} + c_{gg} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{L,0}$$

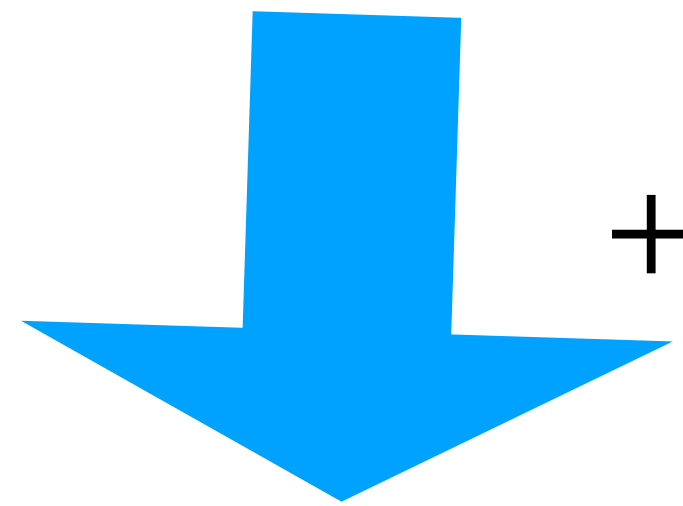
$$\mathbf{k}_R(a) = U_R^\dagger [\mathbf{k}_{R,0} + c_{gg} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{R,0}] U_R \rightarrow \mathbf{k}_{R,0} + c_{gg} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{R,0}$$

Anomalous axion contribution

$$g_{a\gamma} = g_{a\gamma_0} - 2N_c c_{gg} \text{Tr} \left[ \mathbf{Q}^2 \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{q,0} \right]$$

# The consistent ChPT axion Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \bar{q}(iD_\mu\gamma^\mu - \mathbf{m}_q(a))q + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu a)(\partial^\mu a) - \frac{m_{a,0}^2}{2}a^2$$



$$+ g_{a\gamma} \frac{a}{f_a} F\tilde{F} + \frac{\partial_\mu a}{f_a} (\bar{q}_L \mathbf{k}_L(a) \gamma^\mu q_L + \bar{q}_R \mathbf{k}_R(a) \gamma^\mu q_R + \dots)$$

- ChPT Lagrangian matching for PS mesons  $U = \exp[(\sqrt{2}i/f_\pi)\pi^a \tau^a]$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\chi\text{PT}} = \frac{f_\pi^2}{8} [(D^\mu U)(D_\mu U)^\dagger] + \frac{f_\pi^2}{4} B_0 \text{Tr} [\mathbf{m}_q(a) U^\dagger + h.c.] + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu a)(\partial^\mu a) - \frac{m_{a,0}^2}{2}a^2 + g_{a\gamma} \frac{a}{f_a} F\tilde{F}$$

- The axion derivative coupling

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$$D^\mu U \rightarrow D^\mu U - i \frac{\partial^\mu a}{f_a} (\mathbf{k}_L U - U \mathbf{k}_R)$$



# The importance of consistency

- The physical results should be independent of auxiliary parameters

$$q_0(x) = \exp \left[ -i(\delta_{q,0} + \kappa_{q,0}\gamma_5)c_{gg} \frac{a(x)}{f_a} \right] q(x)$$

- The most important channel  $\text{BR}(K \rightarrow \pi a)$  is off by a factor of 37 for 35 years

H. Georgi, D. B. Kaplan and L. Randall, Phys. Lett. B 169, 73-78 (1986)

- Model-independent expression for  $K \rightarrow \pi a$  and  $\pi^- \rightarrow e^- \bar{\nu}_e a$  have been obtained for all axion couplings

Bauer et al, PRL 127 (2021), 081803

- The electroweak scale axion (PQWW) is excluded by e.g. meson experiments like K meson and  $J/\Psi$  decay immediately

# The invisible axion models

- SM particles does not directly charge under  $U(1)_{PQ}$

- KSVZ model:

- Heavy vector-like quark:  $Q_{L,R}$

- $Q_L$  and  $Q_R$  has different charge under  $U(1)_{PQ}$

- A heavy complex scalar  $\Phi = re^{ia}$  charge under  $U(1)_{PQ}$

- Yukawa:  $y\Phi\bar{Q}_L Q_R \supset \frac{yf_a}{\sqrt{2}} e^{ia/f_a} \bar{Q}_L Q_R$

- $\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{g_s^2}{32\pi^2} \frac{a}{f_a} G\tilde{G}$

# The invisible axion models

- DFSZ model:

- Two Higgs doublet  $H_{u,d}$  and a complex singlet  $\Phi$  charged under  $U(1)_{PQ}$ , with phase factor  $e^{i\phi_{u,d,0}}$

- Similar to previous UV model, but  $\langle \Phi \rangle \gg v_h$

- Yukawa:  $(\bar{Q}Y_u H_u u_R + \bar{Q}Y_d H_d d_R + \bar{L}Y_e H_d e_R) + h.c.$

- Potential term: e.g.  $H_u H_d \Phi^2$ , Axion mode:  $a = \frac{1}{f_a} \sum_{i=u,d,0} Q_i v_i \phi_i$

- Axion have direct quark and lepton couplings

- Low energy:  $\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi^2} \frac{a}{f_a} G\tilde{G} + \frac{\alpha_{em}}{8\pi} \frac{E}{N} \frac{a}{f_a} F\tilde{F} - \bar{f}_L M_f f_R + \frac{\partial_\mu a}{2f_a} \bar{f} c_f \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 f$

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# Wess-Zumino-Witten Interactions in QCD

- Describing anomalies in QCD
- Ensuring gauge invariance and completing chiral L
- Low-energy dynamics of mesons  
e.g. multiple mesons and photons interactions,  $\pi_0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

$$\Gamma_{WZW}(U, \mathcal{A}_L, \mathcal{A}_R) = \Gamma_0(U) + \mathcal{C} \int \text{Tr} \left\{ (\mathcal{A}_L \alpha^3 + \mathcal{A}_R \beta^3) - \frac{i}{2} [(\mathcal{A}_L \alpha)^2 - (\mathcal{A}_R \beta)^2] \right. \\ \left. + i(\mathcal{A}_L U \mathcal{A}_R U^\dagger \alpha^2 - \mathcal{A}_R U^\dagger \mathcal{A}_L U \beta^2) + i(d\mathcal{A}_R dU^\dagger \mathcal{A}_L U - d\mathcal{A}_L dU \mathcal{A}_R U^\dagger) \right. \\ \left. + i[(d\mathcal{A}_L \mathcal{A}_L + \mathcal{A}_L d\mathcal{A}_L) \alpha + (d\mathcal{A}_R \mathcal{A}_R + \mathcal{A}_R d\mathcal{A}_R) \beta] + (\mathcal{A}_L^3 \alpha + \mathcal{A}_R^3 \beta) \right. \\ \left. - (d\mathcal{A}_L \mathcal{A}_L + \mathcal{A}_L d\mathcal{A}_L) U \mathcal{A}_R U^\dagger + (d\mathcal{A}_R \mathcal{A}_R + \mathcal{A}_R d\mathcal{A}_R) U^\dagger \mathcal{A}_L U \right. \\ \left. + (\mathcal{A}_L U \mathcal{A}_R U^\dagger \mathcal{A}_L \alpha + \mathcal{A}_R U^\dagger \mathcal{A}_L U \mathcal{A}_R \beta) + i \left[ \mathcal{A}_L^3 U \mathcal{A}_R U^\dagger - \mathcal{A}_R^3 U^\dagger \mathcal{A}_L U - \frac{1}{2} (U \mathcal{A}_R U^\dagger \mathcal{A}_L)^2 \right] \right\}.$$

$$\alpha = dU U^\dagger \\ \beta = U^\dagger dU$$

$$\Gamma_0(U) = -\frac{i\mathcal{C}}{5} \int_{M^5} \text{Tr} (\alpha^5) = \frac{iN_c}{240\pi^2} \int d^5x \epsilon^{ABCDE} \text{Tr} (\alpha_A \alpha_B \alpha_C \alpha_D \alpha_E),$$

# WZW counter terms for global symmetry

J. A. Harvey, C. T. Hill, and R. J. Hill,  
PRL 99 (2007) 261601,  
PRD 77(2008) 085017

- Generic WZW interactions with counter terms
- Vector fields in 1-form:  $\mathcal{A}_{L/R} \equiv \mathbb{A}_{L/R} + \mathbb{B}_{L/R}$   
Similar to Hidden Local Symmetry

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{WZW}}^{\text{full}}(U, \mathcal{A}_{L/R}) = \mathcal{L}_{\text{WZW}}(U, \mathcal{A}_L, \mathcal{A}_R) + \mathcal{L}_c(\mathbb{A}_{L/R}, \mathbb{B}_{L/R})$$

- Counter terms ensures SM invariance

$$\Gamma_c = -2\mathcal{C} \int \text{Tr} \left[ (\mathbb{A}_L d\mathbb{A}_L + d\mathbb{A}_L \mathbb{A}_L) \mathbb{B}_L + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{A}_L (\mathbb{B}_L d\mathbb{B}_L + d\mathbb{B}_L \mathbb{B}_L) - \frac{3}{2} i \mathbb{A}_L^3 \mathbb{B}_L - \frac{3}{4} i \mathbb{A}_L \mathbb{B}_L \mathbb{A}_L \mathbb{B}_L - \frac{i}{2} \mathbb{A}_L \mathbb{B}_L^3 \right] - (L \leftrightarrow R)$$

- Suitable for chiral gauge fields and background fields

# Axion treatment as a fictitious background field

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \bar{q}(iD_{\mu}\gamma^{\mu} - \mathbf{m}_q(a))q + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_{\mu}a)(\partial^{\mu}a) - \frac{m_{a,0}^2}{2}a^2$$

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$$+ g_{a\gamma} \frac{a}{f_a} F\tilde{F} + \frac{\partial_{\mu}a}{f_a} (\bar{q}_L \mathbf{k}_L(a) \gamma^{\mu} q_L + \bar{q}_R \mathbf{k}_R(a) \gamma^{\mu} q_R + \dots)$$

- $D_{\mu} = \partial_{\mu} - ig(A_L P_L + A_R P_R)$

- Hints from quark-level L:  $D_{\mu} \rightarrow D_{\mu} + i \frac{\partial_{\mu}a}{f_a} (\mathbf{k}_L P_L + \mathbf{k}_R P_R)$

- Hints from ChPT L:  $D^{\mu}U \rightarrow D^{\mu}U - i \frac{\partial^{\mu}a}{f_a} (\mathbf{k}_L U - U \mathbf{k}_R)$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\chi\text{PT}} = \frac{f_{\pi}^2}{8} \left[ (D^{\mu}U)(D_{\mu}U)^{\dagger} \right] + \frac{f_{\pi}^2}{4} B_0 \text{Tr} \left[ \mathbf{m}_q(a) U^{\dagger} + h.c. \right] + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_{\mu}a)(\partial^{\mu}a) - \frac{m_{a,0}^2}{2}a^2 + g_{a\gamma} \frac{a}{f_a} F\tilde{F}$$

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- Axion 1-form field can be added into background fields:

$$\mathbb{B}_{L/R} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}_{L/R} + \mathbf{k}_{L/R,0} \frac{da}{f_a}$$

- 2-flavor ChPT with SM gauge bosons and background fields

$$\mathbb{A}_L = \frac{e}{s_w} W^a \frac{\boldsymbol{\tau}^a}{2} + \frac{e}{c_w} W^0 \mathbf{Y}_Q, \quad \mathbb{A}_R = \frac{e}{c_w} W^0 \mathbf{Y}_q$$

$$\mathbb{B}_V \equiv \mathbb{B}_L + \mathbb{B}_R = g \begin{pmatrix} \rho_0 & \sqrt{2}\rho^+ \\ \sqrt{2}\rho^- & -\rho_0 \end{pmatrix} + g' \begin{pmatrix} \omega & \\ & \omega \end{pmatrix} + (\mathbf{k}_{L,0} + \mathbf{k}_{R,0}) \frac{da}{f}$$

$$\mathbb{B}_A \equiv \mathbb{B}_L - \mathbb{B}_R = g \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & \sqrt{2}a^+ \\ \sqrt{2}a^- & -a_1 \end{pmatrix} + g' \begin{pmatrix} f_1 & \\ & f_1 \end{pmatrix} + (\mathbf{k}_{L,0} - \mathbf{k}_{R,0}) \frac{da}{f}$$



# The consistent axion Lagrangian at low energy

- ChPT:

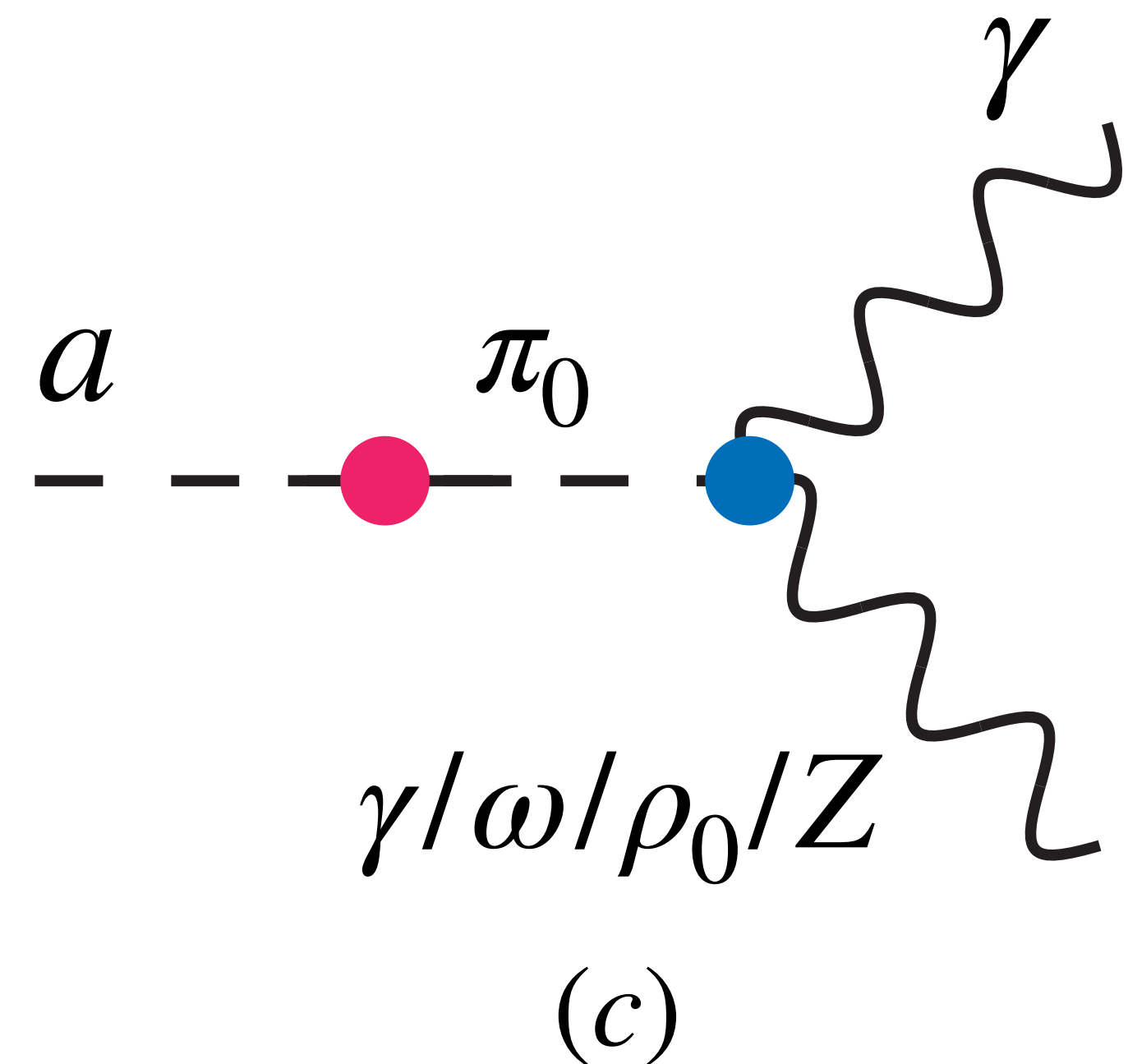
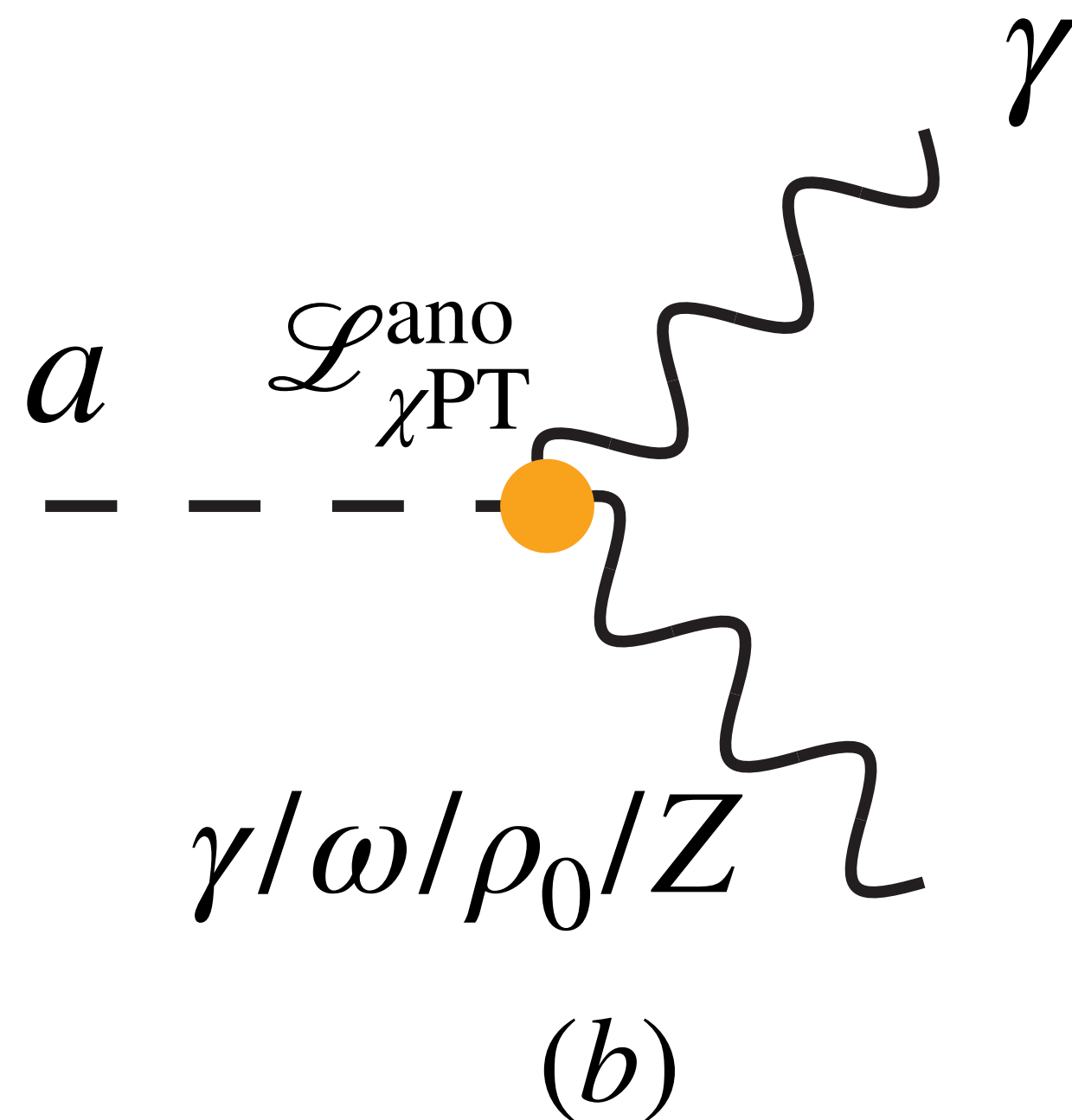
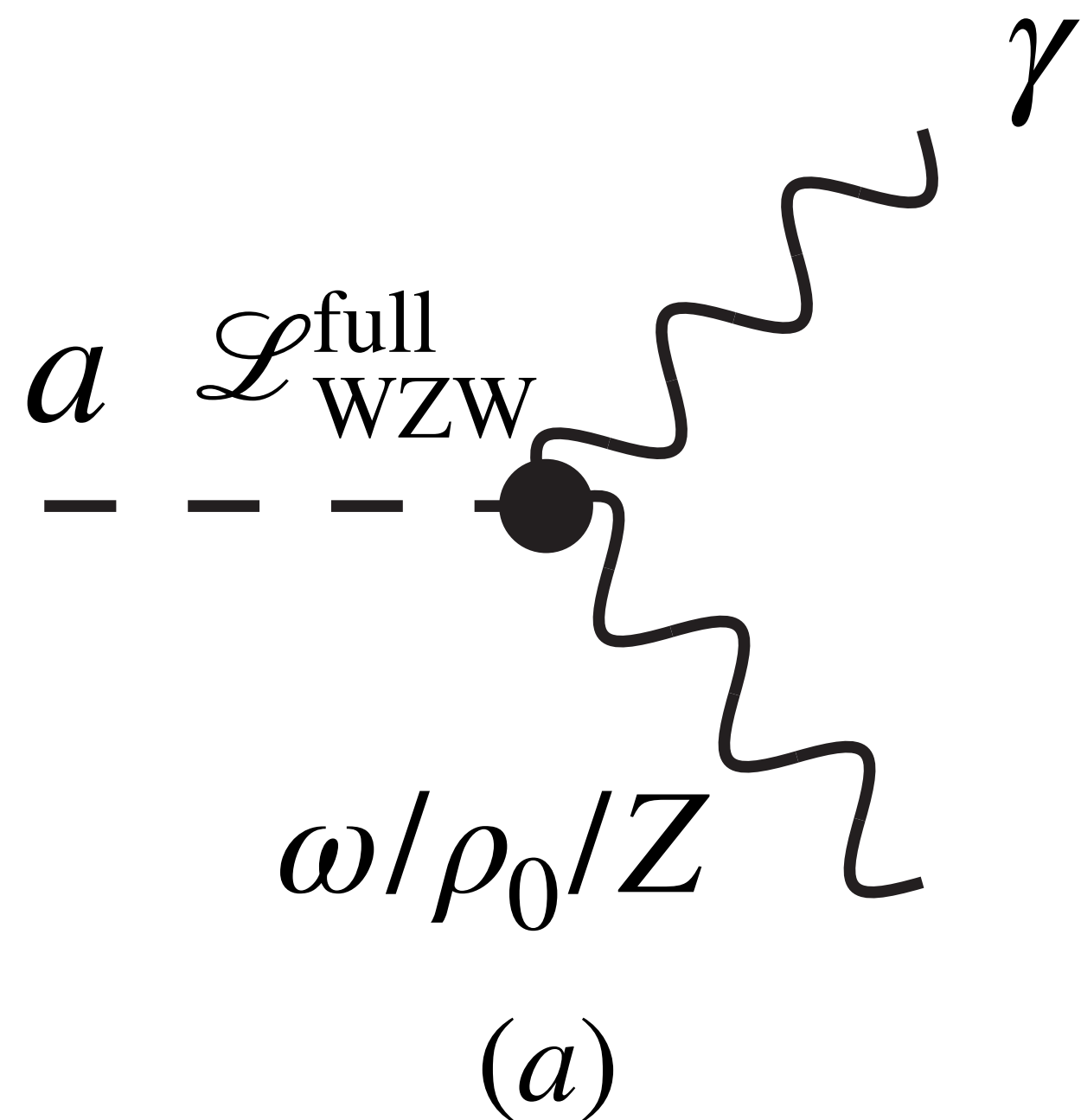
$$\mathcal{L}_{\chi\text{PT}} = \frac{f_\pi^2}{8} \text{Tr} [(D^\mu U)(D_\mu U)^\dagger] + \frac{f_\pi^2}{4} B_0 \text{Tr} [\mathbf{m}_q(a)U^\dagger + h.c.] + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu a)(\partial^\mu a) - \frac{m_{a,0}^2}{2}a^2 + \frac{a}{f} \sum_{\mathcal{A}_{1,2}} c_{\mathcal{A}_1\mathcal{A}_2} F_{\mathcal{A}_1\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{\mathcal{A}_2}^{\mu\nu}$$

- Full WZW:  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{WZW}}^{\text{full}}(U, \mathcal{A}_{L/R}) = \mathcal{L}_{\text{WZW}}(U, \mathcal{A}_L, \mathcal{A}_R) + \mathcal{L}_c(\mathbb{A}_{L/R}, \mathbb{B}_{L/R})$

- Full  $\mathcal{L}$ :  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{axion}}^{\text{full}} \equiv \left[ \mathcal{L}_{\chi\text{PT}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{WZW}}^{\text{full}} \right] \left( U, \mathbf{m}_q(a), \mathcal{A}_{L/R} + \mathbf{k}_{L/R}(a)da/f_a \right)$

# Consistent physical amplitudes

- A consistent Lagrangian will give physical amplitudes independent of auxiliary rotations
- Full WZW interactions are important for a-A-B amplitudes



# Consistent amplitudes for three point vertex

$$c_{\gamma\gamma}^{\text{eff}} = c_{\gamma\gamma}^0 + \frac{e^2 c_{gg}}{16\pi^2 f} \left( -\frac{10}{3} - 2 \frac{m_u - m_d}{m_u + m_d} \frac{m_\pi^2}{m_a^2 - m_\pi^2} \right) - \frac{e^2}{16\pi^2 f} \frac{m_a^2}{m_\pi^2 - m_a^2} (c_u - c_d)$$

$$c_{\omega\gamma}^{\text{eff}} = eg' \left\{ \frac{-c_{gg}}{8\pi^2 f} - \frac{3}{8\pi^2 f} \left[ \frac{m_a^2}{m_\pi^2 - m_a^2} \left( \frac{c_u - c_d}{2} \right) + c_{gg} \frac{m_u - m_d}{m_u + m_d} \frac{m_\pi^2}{m_a^2 - m_\pi^2} \right] + \frac{1}{16\pi^2 f} (c_d + c_Q - 2c_u) \right\}$$

$$c_{\rho\gamma}^{\text{eff}} = eg \left\{ \frac{-3c_{gg}}{8\pi^2 f} - \frac{1}{8\pi^2 f} \left[ \frac{m_a^2}{m_\pi^2 - m_a^2} \left( \frac{c_u - c_d}{2} \right) + c_{gg} \frac{m_u - m_d}{m_u + m_d} \frac{m_\pi^2}{m_a^2 - m_\pi^2} \right] + \frac{1}{16\pi^2 f} (3c_Q - 2c_u - c_d) \right\}$$

$$c_{\gamma Z}^{\text{eff}} = c_{\gamma Z}^0 + \frac{N_c c_{gg}}{48\pi^2 f} \frac{e^2}{s_w c_w} (-9 + 20s_w^2) - c_{\pi_0} \frac{f_\pi}{\sqrt{2}f} \left( \frac{m_a^2}{m_\pi^2 - m_a^2} \frac{c_d - c_u}{2} - c_{gg} \frac{m_u - m_d}{m_u + m_d} \frac{m_\pi^2}{m_a^2 - m_\pi^2} \right) - \frac{N_c}{48\pi^2 f} \frac{2e^2}{s_{2w}} (c_d + 2c_u + 3c_Q)$$

- Vertex  $\omega \rightarrow \gamma a$  benefit from large  $g' \approx 5.7 \gg e$

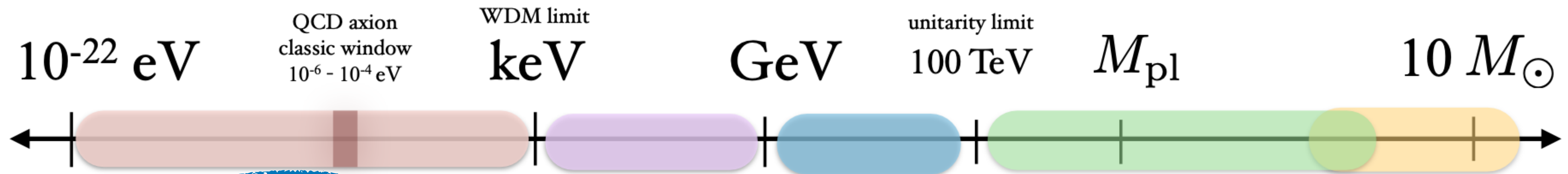
$$\mathbf{k}_{L,0} = \{c_Q, c_Q\} \quad \mathbf{k}_{R,0} = \{c_u, c_d\}$$

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# The dark matter candidate models

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**“Ultralight” DM**

non-thermal  
bosonic fields

**“Light” DM**

dark sectors  
sterile  $\nu$   
can be thermal

**WIMP**

**Composite DM**  
(Q-balls, nuggets, etc)

**Primordial  
black holes**

**Axion and ALP dark matter**



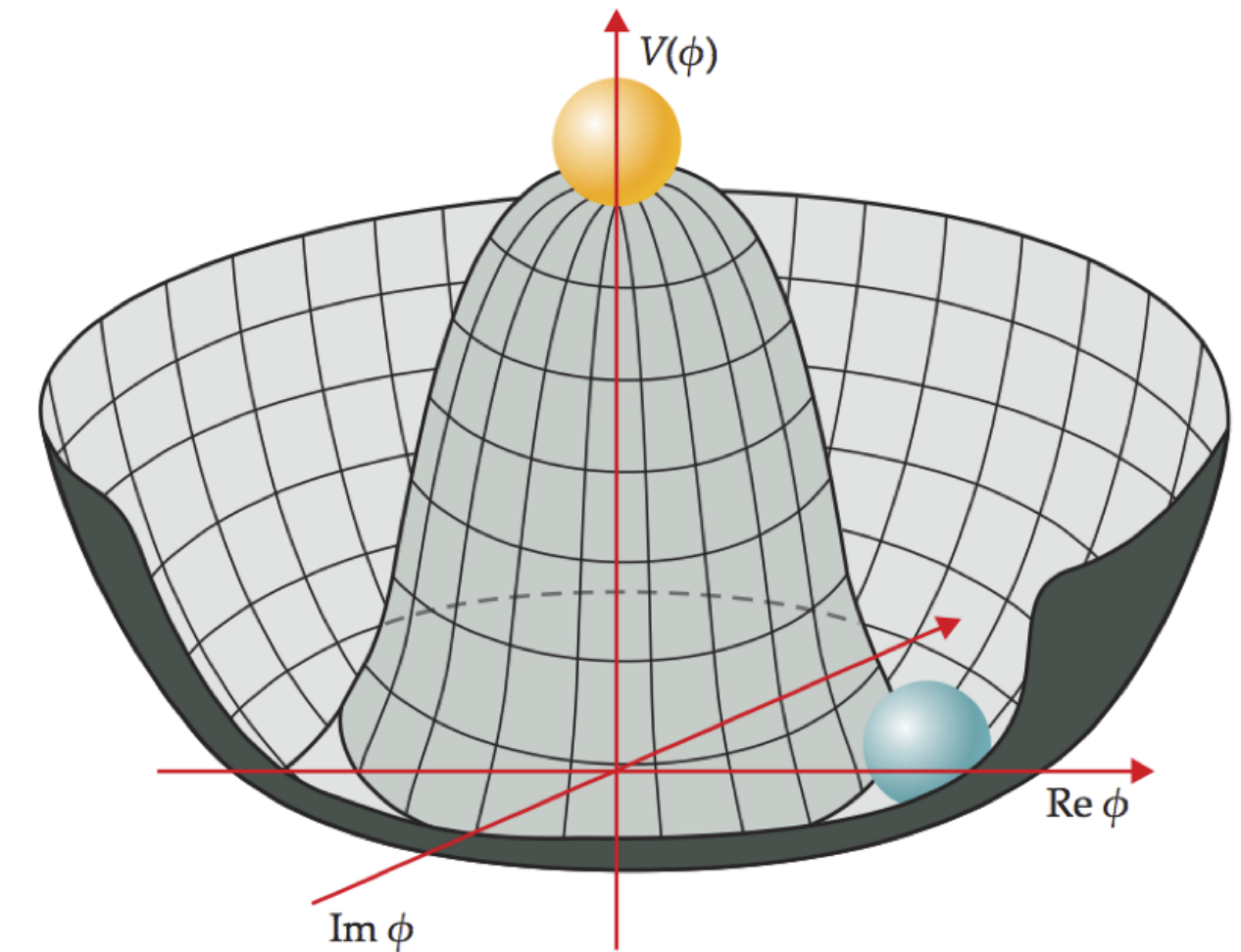
**HEP at a cross-road: explore all directions!**

# Misalignment and Axion Dark Matter

- Global  $U(1)_{PQ}$  symmetry
- Spontaneous broken leads to massless goldstone (**Axion**)

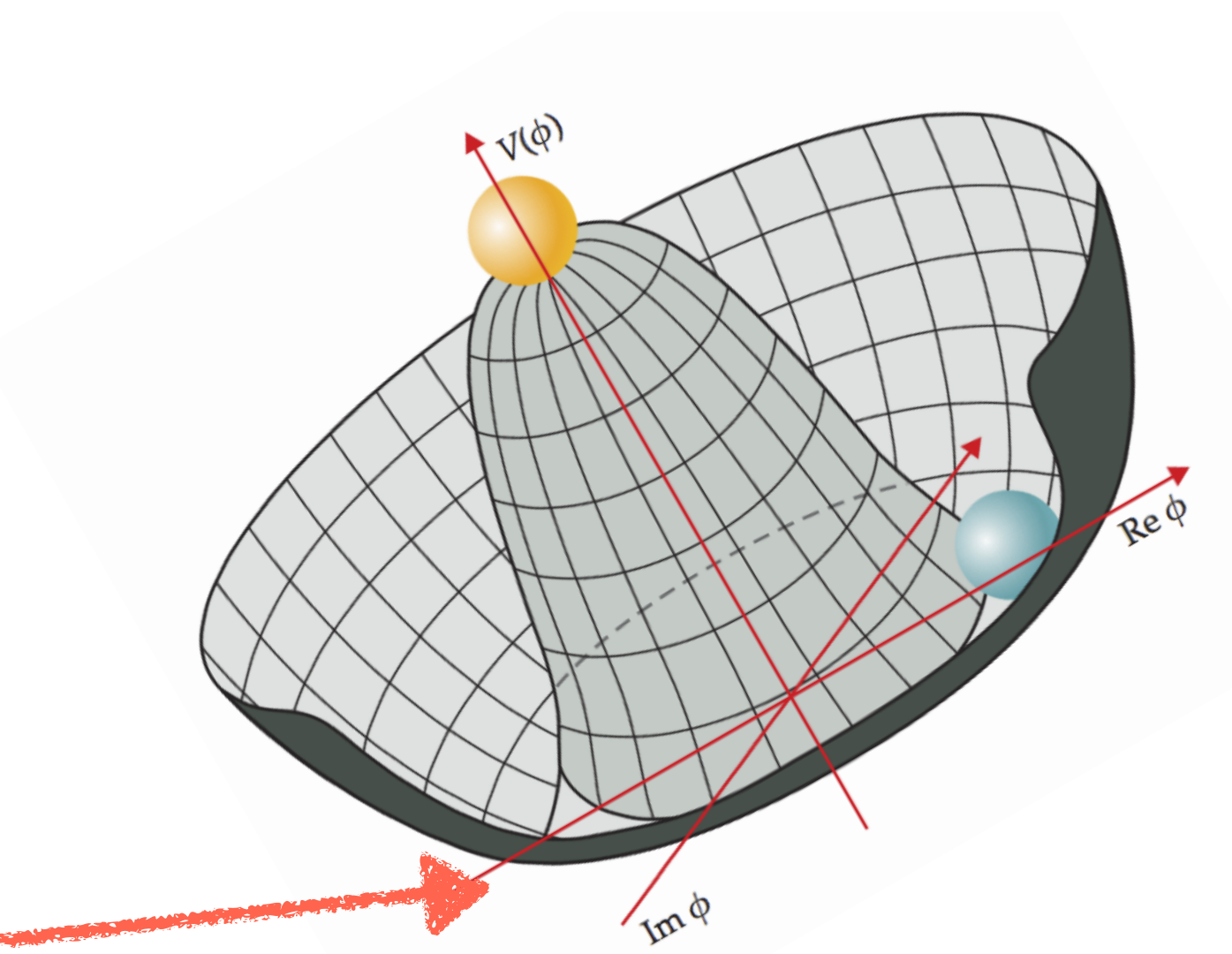
$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + \frac{dV}{d\phi} = 0$$

- At QCD scale  $\sim O(1)$  GeV,
- Potential from Chiral Lagrangian explicitly breaks the symmetry leads to massive axion
- Energy stored in coherent oscillation of axion field



- When  $m_\phi \sim \frac{\Lambda^2}{f_\phi} \sim H$ , misalignment happens and the fields turns into particles: **cold dark matter**

- QCD vacuum picks  $\Theta = \theta_{QCD} + \xi \langle a \rangle / f_a = 0$


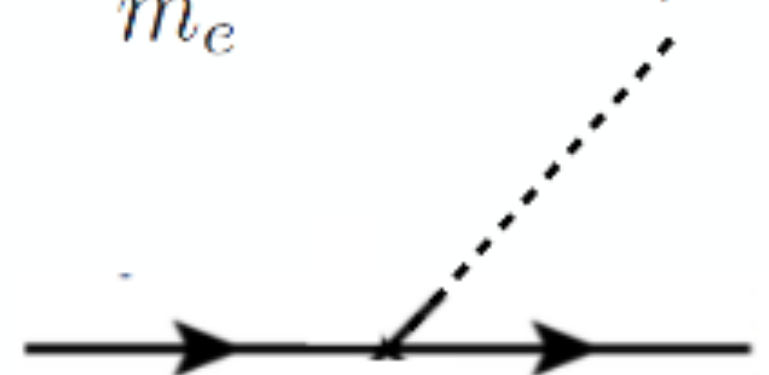
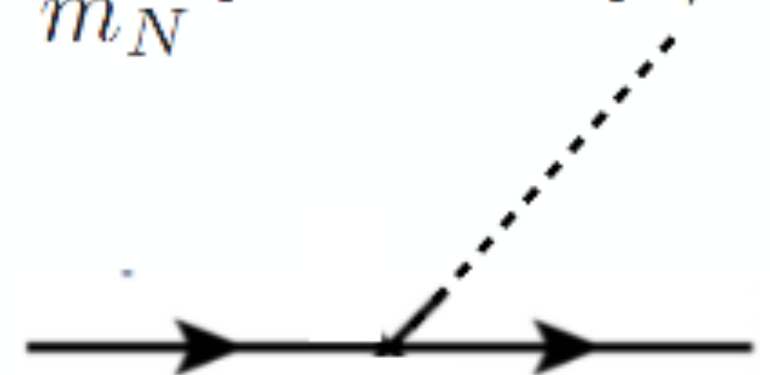
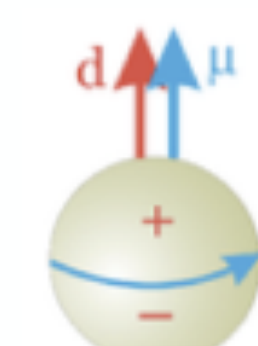


# The axion effective Lagrangian at quark-level

- Axion can couple to SM gauge bosons and fermions

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{ALP}} = g_{ag} \frac{a}{f_a} G\tilde{G} + g_{a\gamma} \frac{a}{f_a} F\tilde{F} + g_{af} \frac{\partial_\mu a}{2f_a} \bar{f}\gamma^\mu\gamma_5 f$$

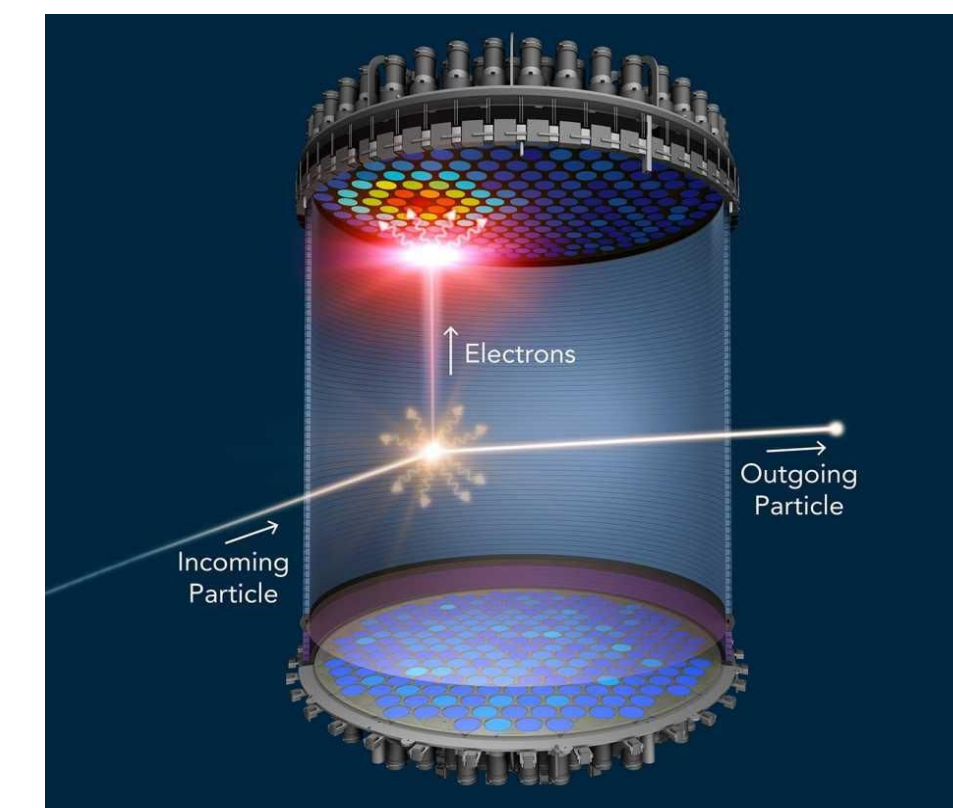
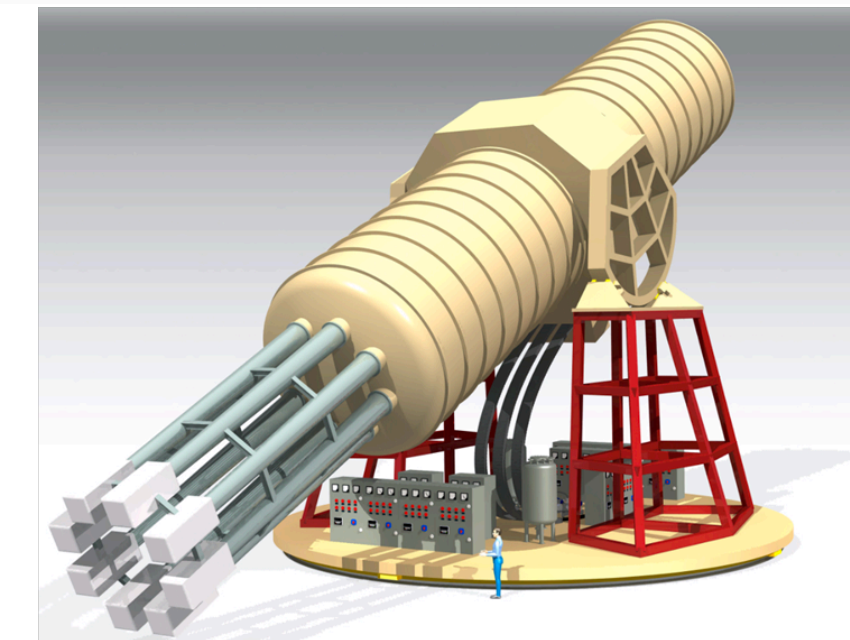
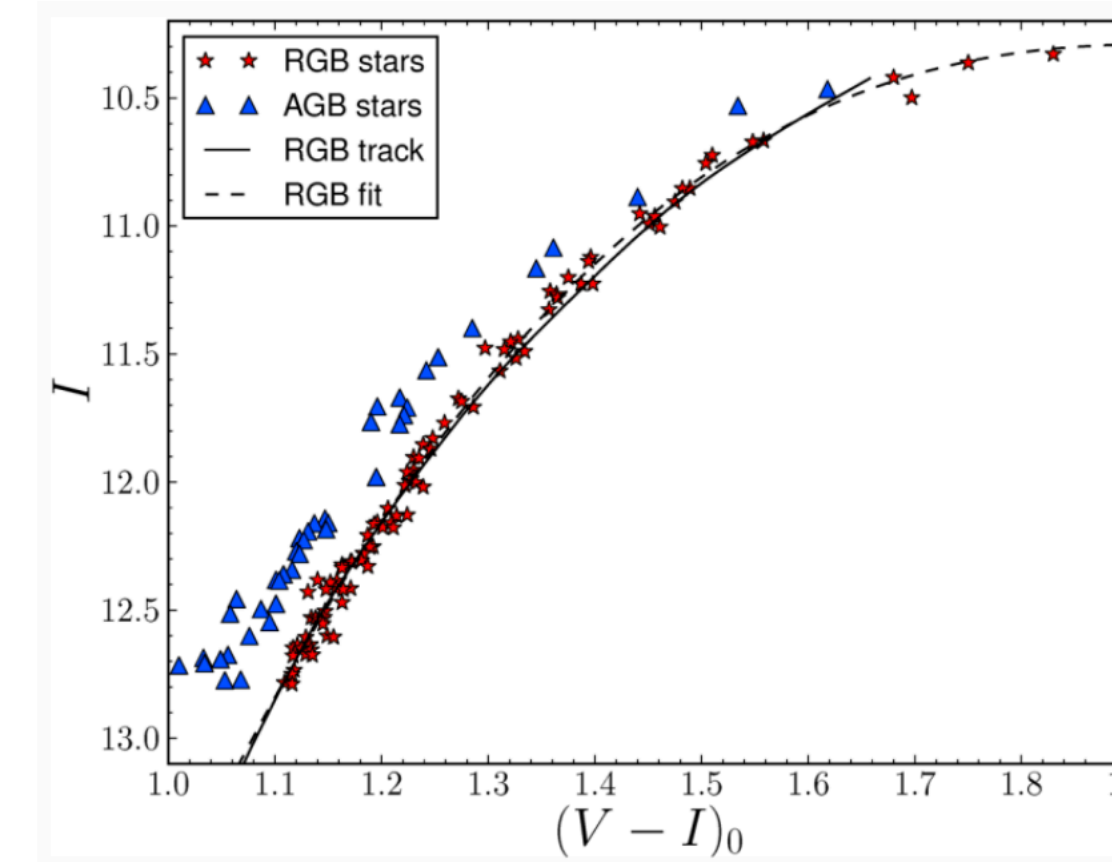
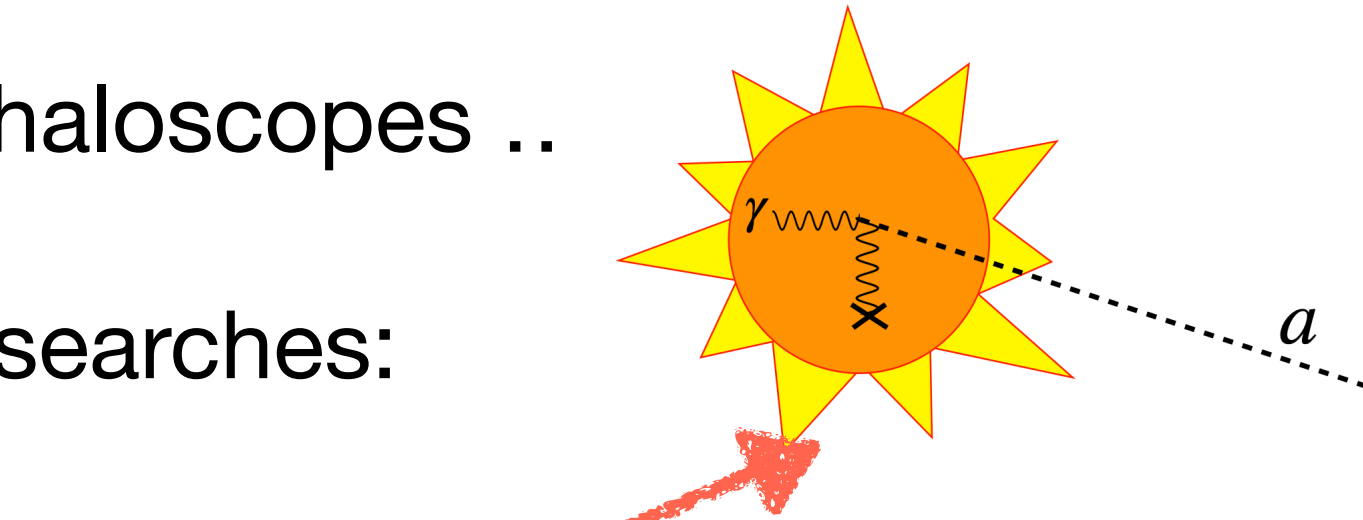
- Detection of axion through various couplings

<b>photon coupling</b>	<b>electron coupling</b>	<b>nucleon coupling</b>	<del><math>\mathcal{P}</math></del> <b>Neutron electric dipole</b>
$-\frac{g_{a\gamma}}{4} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} a$ 	$\frac{g_{ae}}{m_e} [\bar{e}\gamma^\mu\gamma^5 e] \partial_\mu a$ 	$\frac{g_{aN}}{m_N} [\bar{N}\gamma^\mu\gamma^5 N] \partial_\mu a$ 	$\propto \frac{1}{m_n} [F_{\mu\nu} \bar{n}\sigma^{\mu\nu}\gamma_5 n] \frac{A}{f_A}$ 

# Experimental searches for Axion-Like Particles axion

## Methodology:

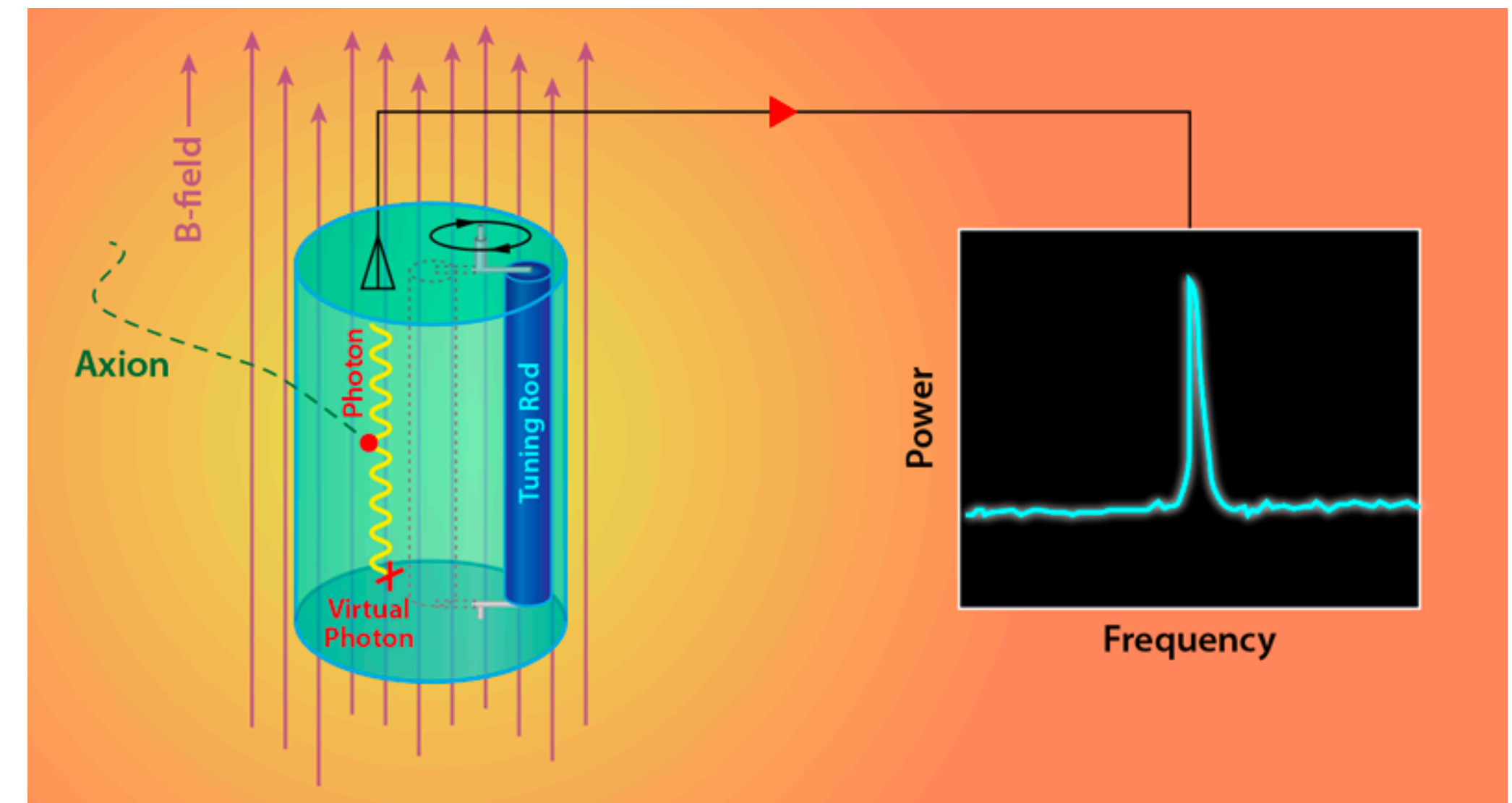
- Dark Matter Axion: haloscopes ..
- Axion independent searches:
  - Rare meson decays
  - **Stellar cooling**
  - Supernova
  - **Helioscopes: solar axion (CAST, IAXO, or DM direct detection searches)**
  - Light shining through walls
  - Polarization
  - Fifth force
  - Radio wave detection





# The detection of ultralight bosonic dark matter

- Mass ranges from  $[10^{-22}, 10^3]$  eV, DM exist as **classical fields**
- **Interacting feebly** with SM sector, interdisciplinary collaboration with **Atomic Molecular Optics, Astrophysics, Astronomy and Cosmology**
- Various detection methods:
  - Star as Laboratory: exotic energy loss (A', ALP, S)
  - Early universe CMB, Gamma ray propagation, Black Hole picture and polarization (ALP, A')
  - **Lab resonant cavity searches: (ADMX, HAYSTAC ...)** (ALP, A')
  - **Lab broad-band searches: (WISPDMX, Dark E-field)** (ALP, A')
  - 5th force, Equivalent Principle test (S, A')
  - DM direct detection experiments (XENONnT, PANDAX-4T, CDEX) (ALP, A')
  - **Radio astronomy (ALP, A')**



Experimental searches is related to model and couplings

$$g_{a\gamma\gamma} a F_{\mu\nu} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} F_{\alpha\beta} \sim g_{a\gamma\gamma} a \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}$$

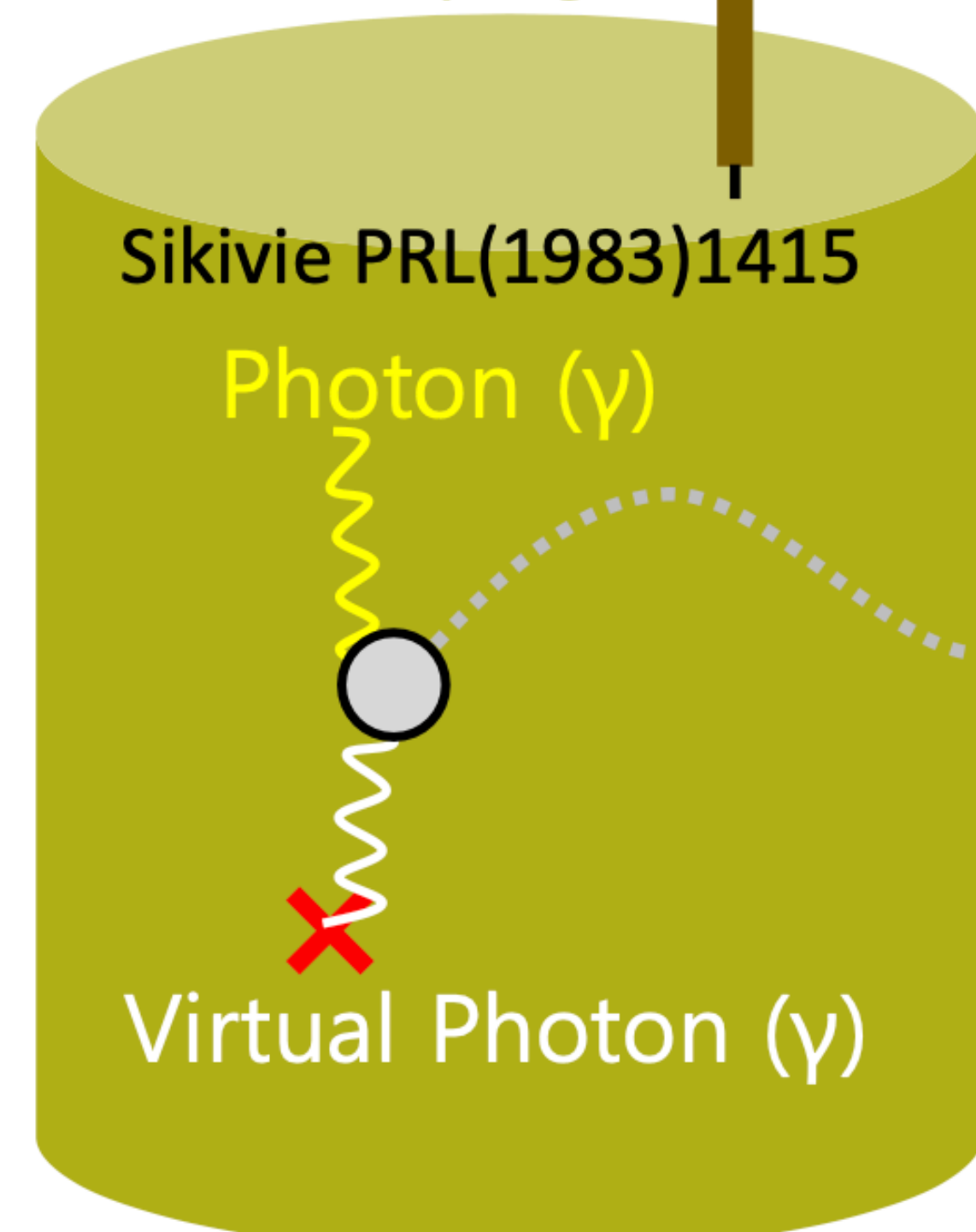
# The resonant searches for ALP via photon coupling

- Tuning cavity resonant frequency to match axion mass

$$g_{a\gamma\gamma} a F_{\mu\nu} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} F_{\alpha\beta} \sim g_{a\gamma\gamma} a \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}$$

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Antenna Coupling ( $\beta$ )



Sikivie PRL(1983)1415

Photon ( $\gamma$ )

Virtual Photon ( $\gamma$ )



Magnetic Field (B)

**Loaded Quality Factor ( $Q_l$ )**

Volume (V)

Resonant Angular Frequency ( $\omega_0$ )

Form Factor (C)

System Temperature ( $T_{sys}$ )

Signal Power

$$P_{sig} = \frac{\beta}{1 + \beta} g_{a\gamma\gamma}^2 \frac{\rho_a}{m_a^2} B^2 V \omega_0 C \frac{Q_a Q_l}{Q_a + Q_l}$$

Coupling Constant  $\beta$ , Dark Matter Axion Density  $\rho_a$ , Axion Mass  $m_a$ , Axion Quality Factor  $Q_a$ , Axion Quality Factor  $Q_l$

Kim *et al.* JCAP03(2020)066

Scan Rate

$$\frac{df}{dt} \propto \frac{B^4 V^2 C^2}{k_B^2 T_{sys}^2} Q_l Q_a$$

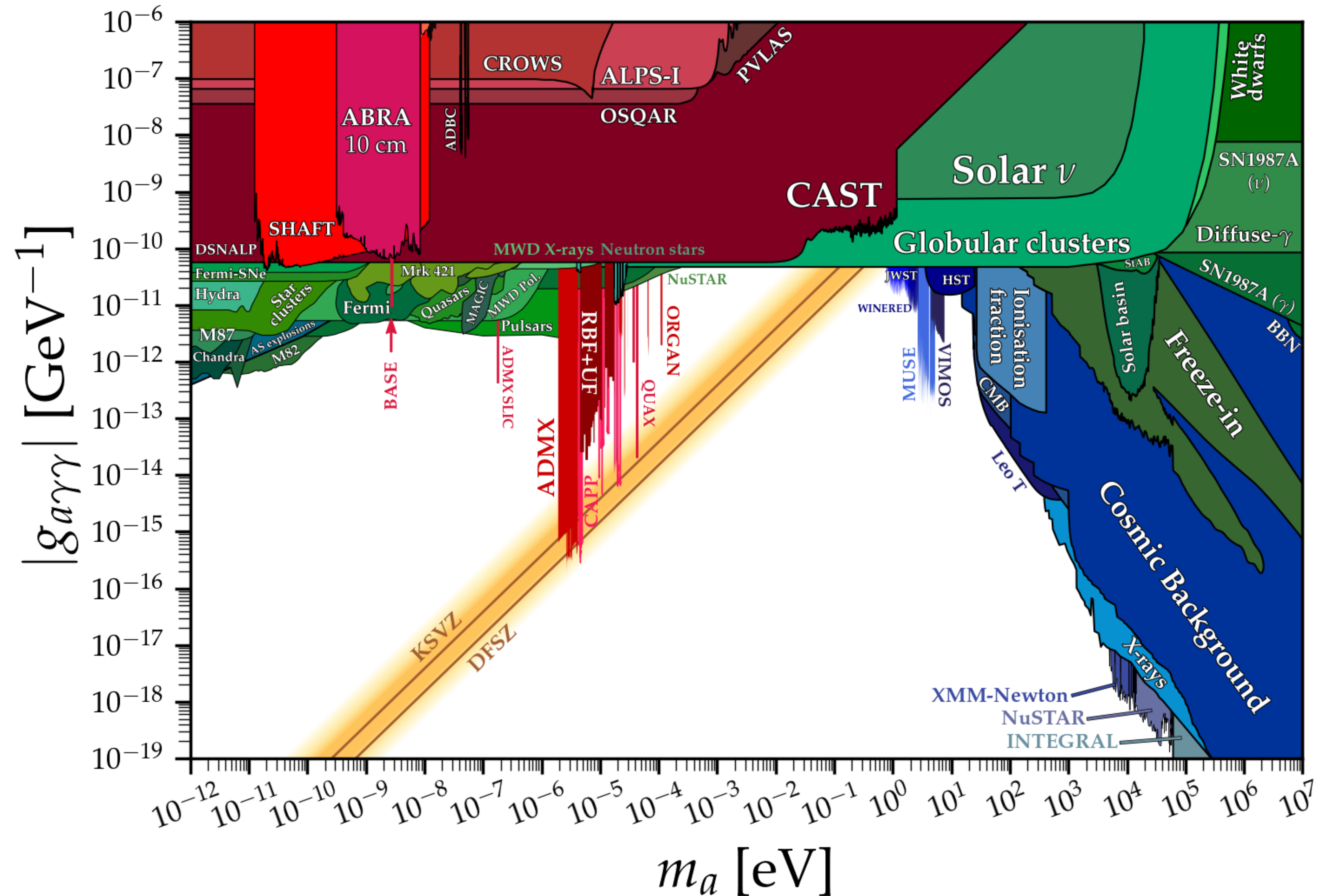
System Noise Temperature  $\sim 200$  mK

$Q_l \gg Q_a \sim 10^6$

Refer to Session 02, Thu, Dr. Jinsu Kim

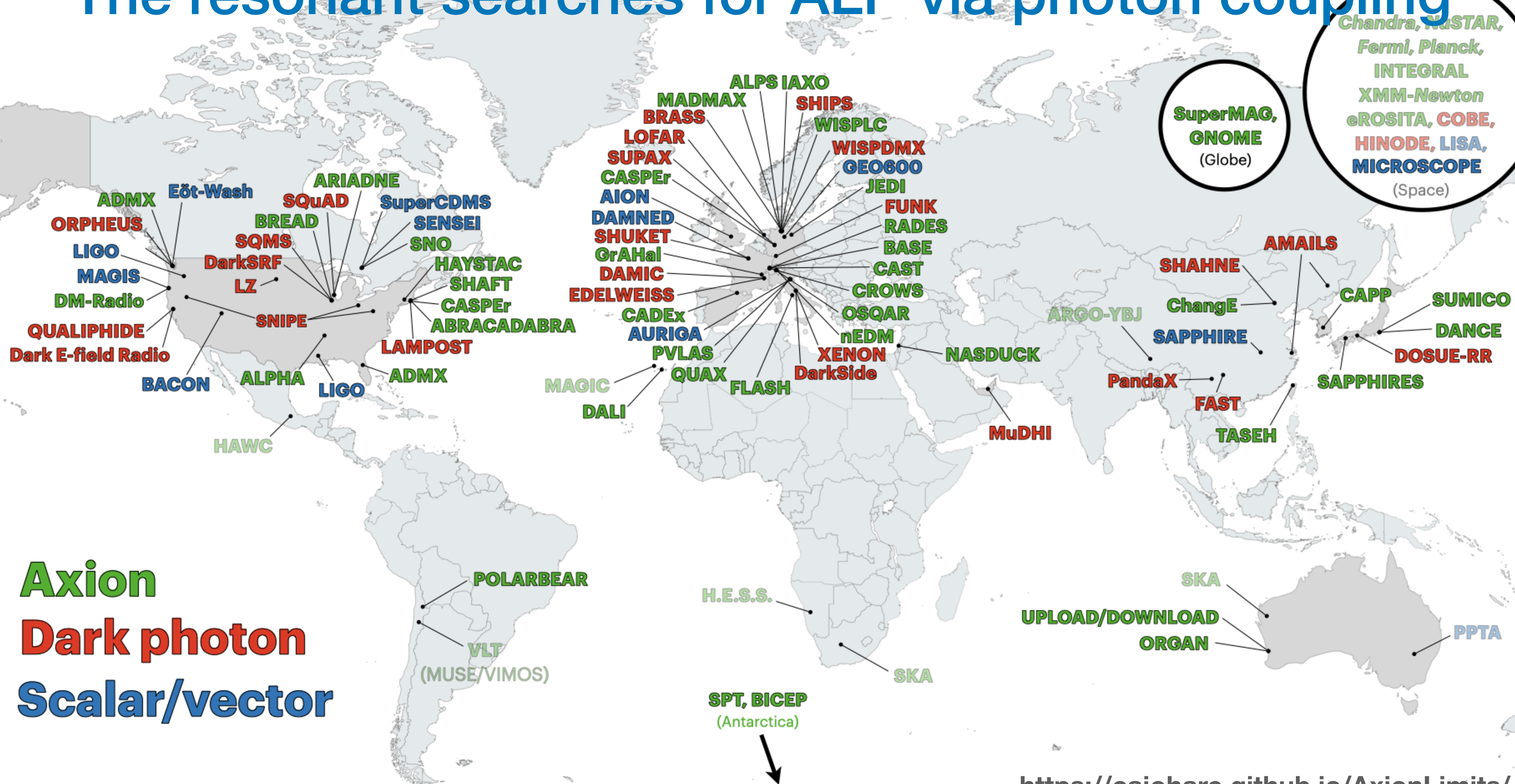
# The resonant searches for ALP via photon coupling

- The overview of ALP-photon coupling searches
- Very competitive research field



<https://cajohare.github.io/AxionLimits/>

# The resonant searches for ALP via photon coupling



SuperMAG,  
GNOME  
(Globe)

Chandra, NuSTAR,  
Fermi, Planck,  
INTEGRAL  
XMM-Newton  
eROSITA, COBE,  
HINODE, LISA,  
MICROSCOPE  
(Space)

**Axion**  
**Dark photon**  
**Scalar/vector**

# The resonant searches of nucleon couplings

- The ALP DM field

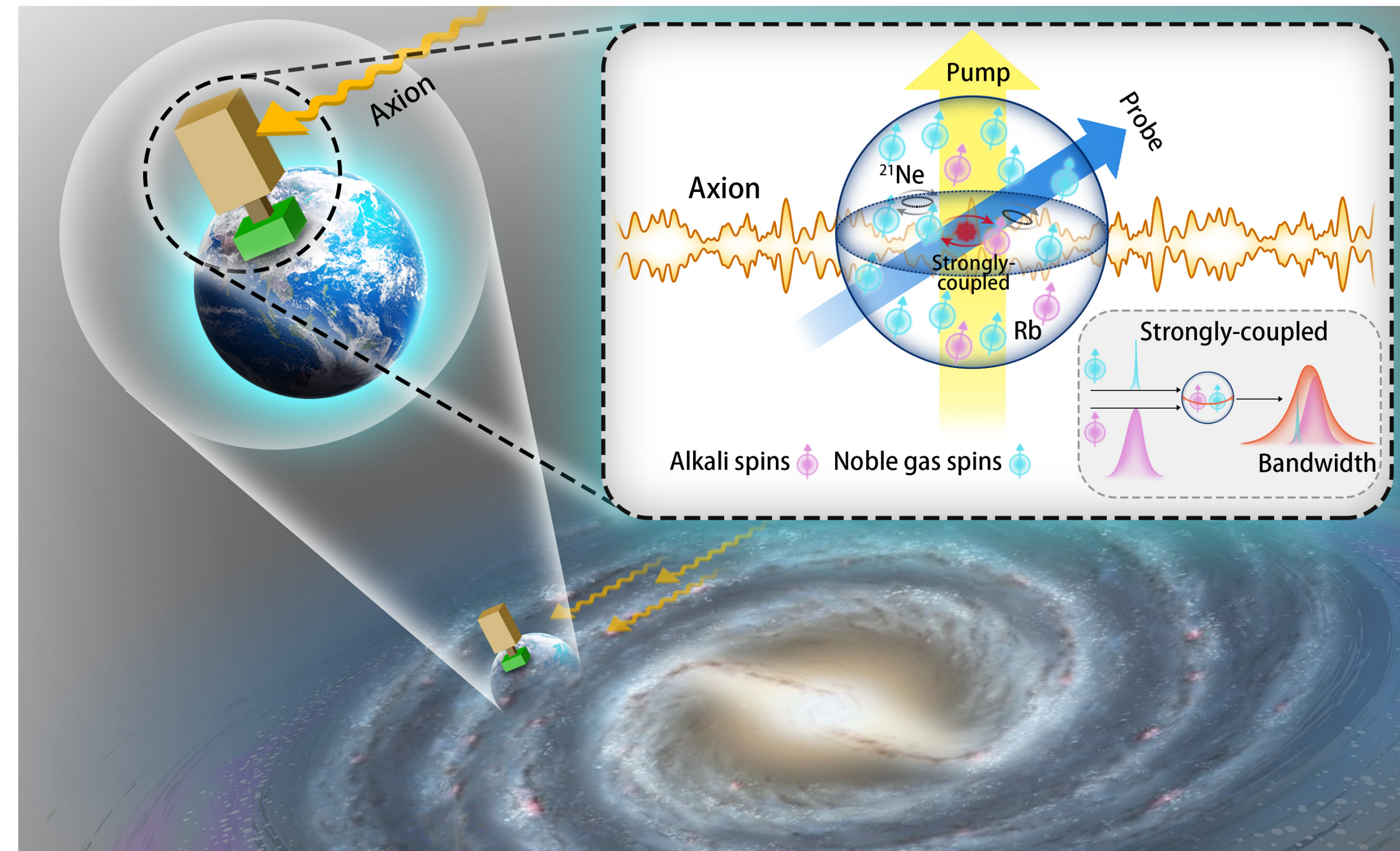
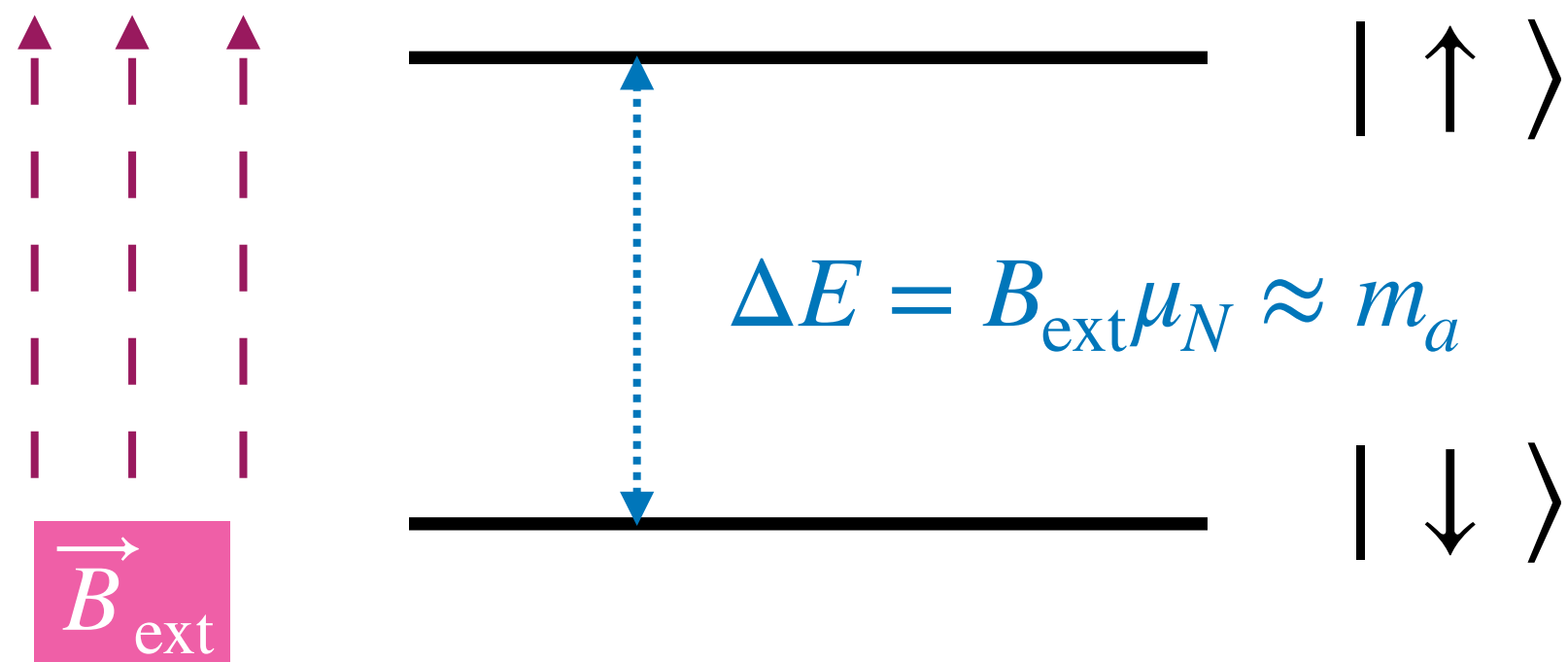
$$a(x, t) \approx a_0 \cos(\omega t - \vec{p} \cdot \vec{x} + \theta_0)$$

- The **axion-wind** Hamiltonian

$$H = g_{aNN} \frac{\partial_\mu a}{2f_a} \bar{N} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 N = g_{aNN} \vec{\nabla} a \cdot \vec{\sigma}_N$$

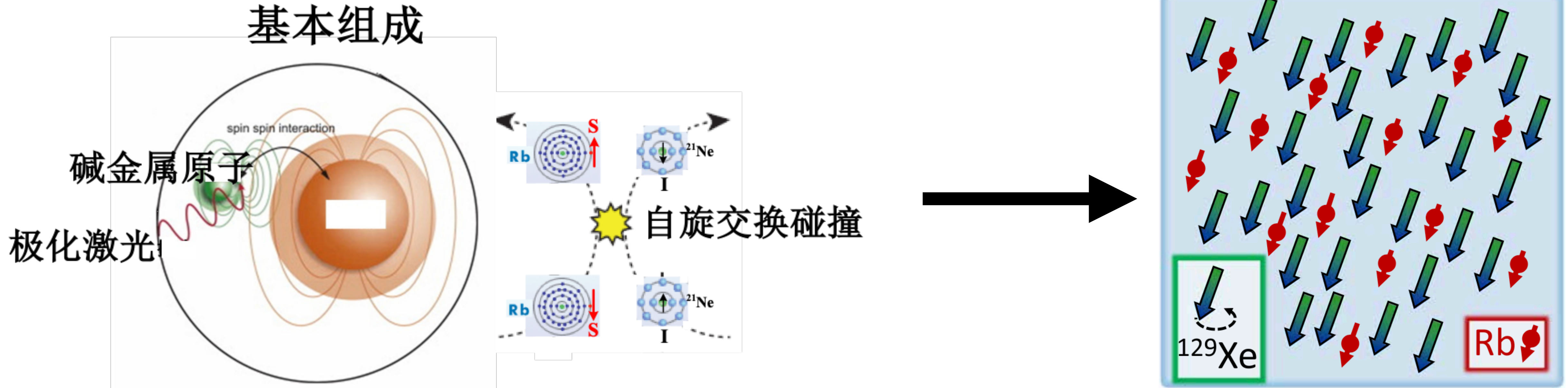
$$\approx g_{aNN} \vec{v}_a \cdot \vec{\sigma}_N \times \sqrt{2\rho_a} \sin(p \cdot x)$$

- A Zeeman split in B field



# Comagnetometer

- Alkali atoms and noble-gas atom



$$\frac{\delta \mathbf{P}^e}{\delta t} = \frac{\gamma_e}{Q} [\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{L} + \lambda M_0^n \mathbf{P}^n + \mathbf{b}^e] \times \mathbf{P}^e - \boldsymbol{\Omega} \times \mathbf{P}^e +$$

**Fermi contact interaction and amplify**

$$B_{\text{eff}} = \lambda M_0 P^n \quad \lambda = 540 \times \frac{8\pi}{3}$$

$$\eta \equiv B_{\text{eff}} / b^n \quad \text{Rb-Xe}$$

Jiang et al. Nature Physics 2021

Coupled Bloch equation

$$\frac{R_p \mathbf{S}_p + R_m \mathbf{S}_m + R_{se}^{ne} \mathbf{P}^n}{Q} - \frac{\{R_1^e, R_2^e, R_2^e\}}{Q} \mathbf{P}^e$$

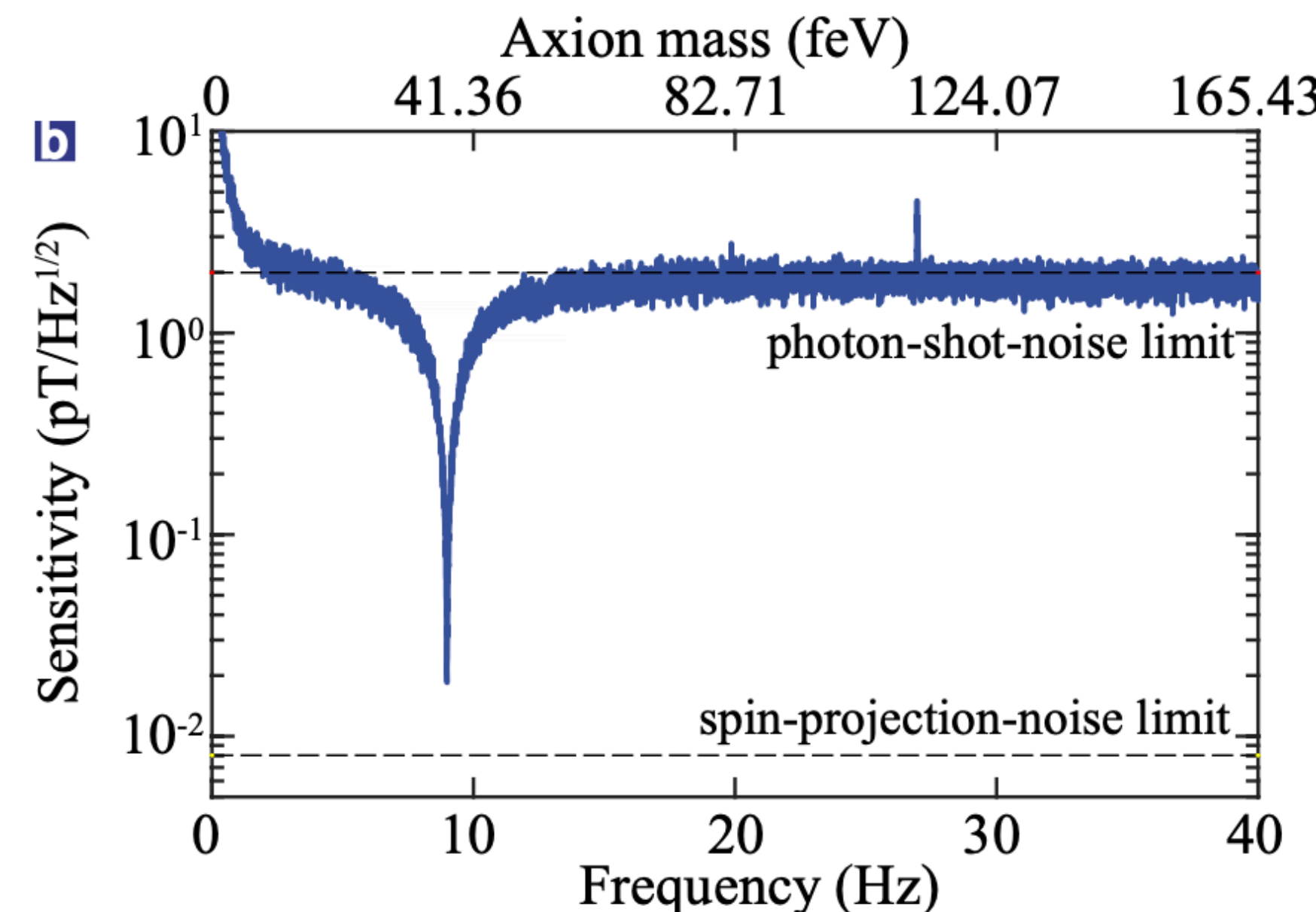
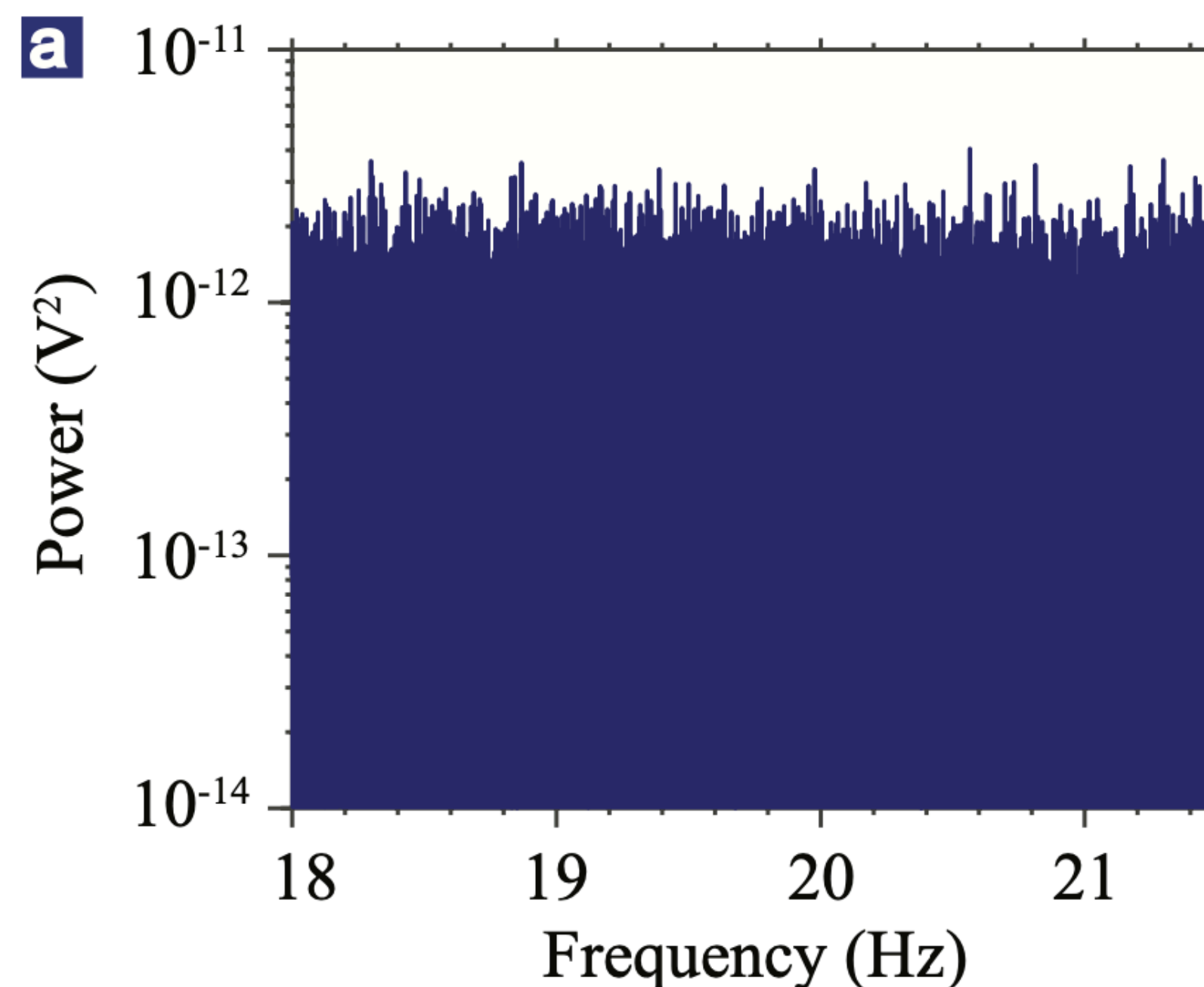
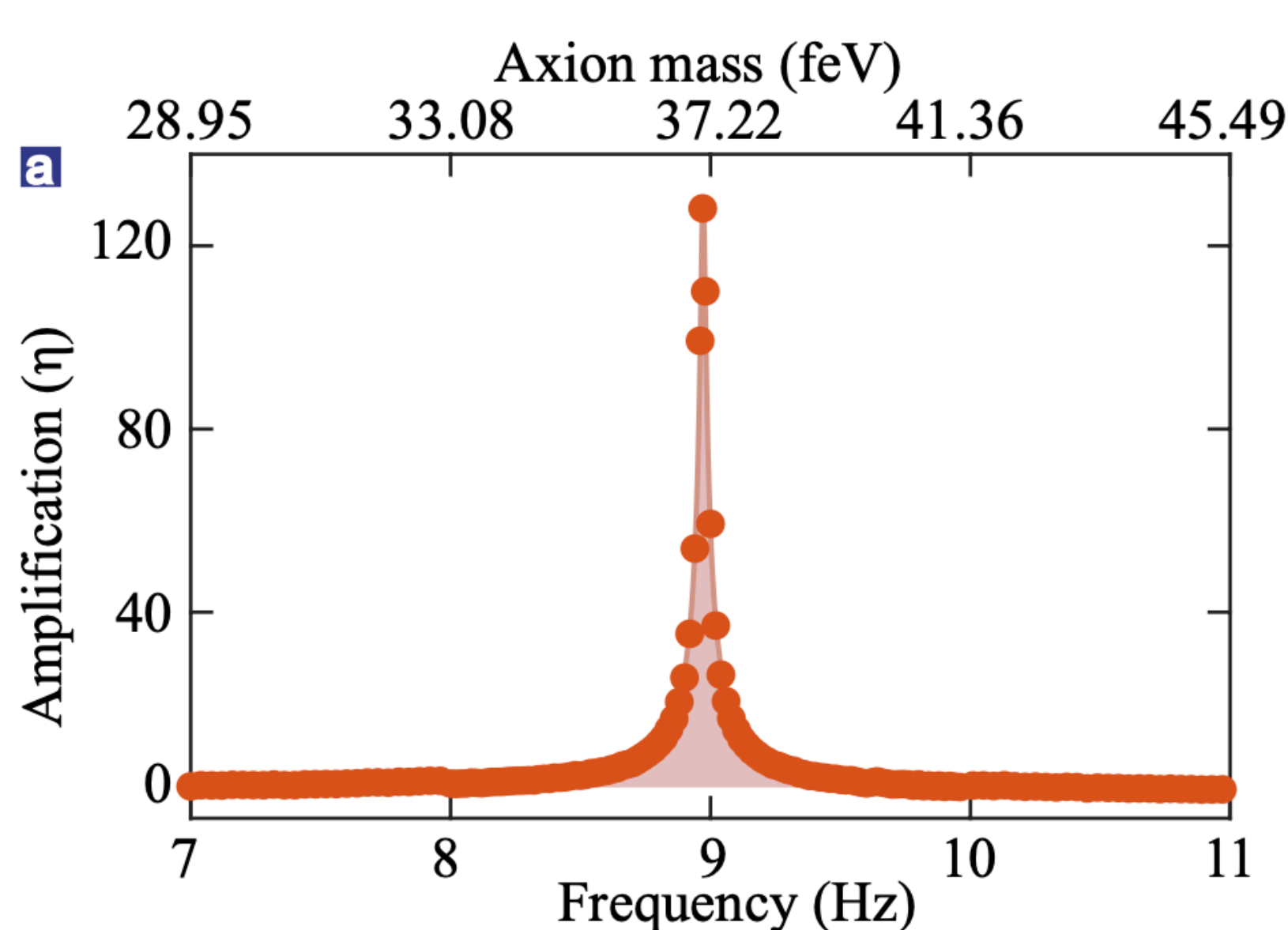
Exotic B field      自旋交换碰撞

$$\frac{\delta \mathbf{P}^n}{\delta t} = \gamma_n (\mathbf{B} + \lambda M_0^e \mathbf{P}^e + \mathbf{b}^n) \times \mathbf{P}^n - \boldsymbol{\Omega} \times \mathbf{P}^n + R_{se}^{en} \mathbf{P}^e - \{R_1^n, R_2^n, R_2^n\} \mathbf{P}^n$$

# Comagnetometer NMR mode (Spin-base Amplifier)

- Enhanced sensitivity at resonance frequency

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**Lorentzian amplification shape**

$$\eta(f) = \eta(f_0) \frac{\Lambda/2}{\sqrt{(f-f_0)^2 + (\Lambda/2)^2}}$$

$$\sqrt{3}\Lambda = 0.052 \text{ Hz}$$

**Experimental data**

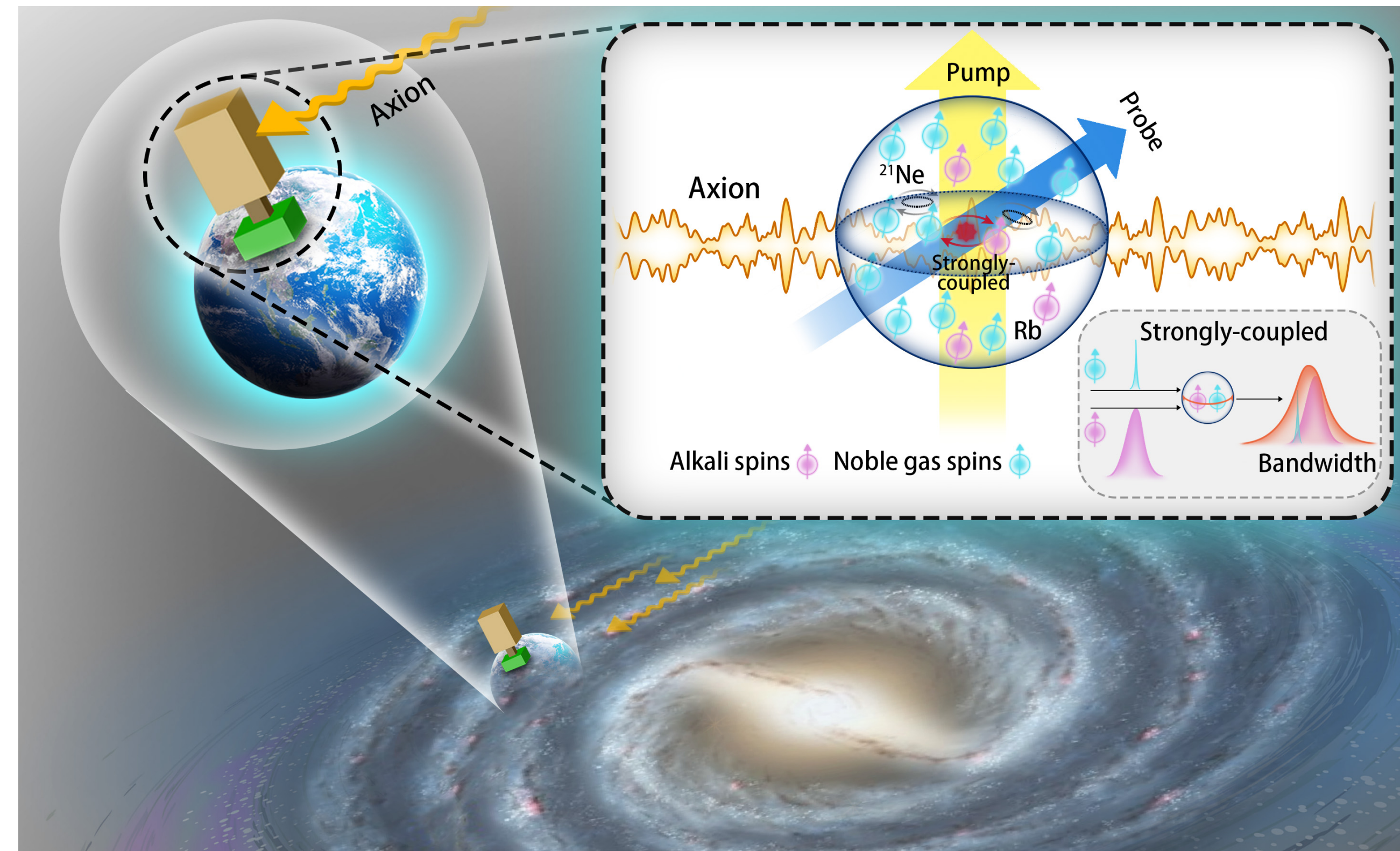
**Tuning  $B_0$  field**

**Resonant frequency  $f_0 = 19.84 \text{ Hz}$**

**Good sensitivity on  
Resonant frequency 19.84 Hz**

# Comagnetometer in Hybrid Spin Resonance: Motivation

- Motivation: good control on photon-shot-noise and magnetic noise
- Sharp amplification is wasted
- Smaller amplification but with much wider resonance
- Do not need to scan (e.g. 35 months)
- Long-time measurement at single point to compensate amplification lost



ChangE experiment: Kai Wei, .. **JL** .. et al, 2306.08039



# Comagnetometer in Hybrid Spin Resonance: Method

- Method: tune external B field to make Larmor frequency equal

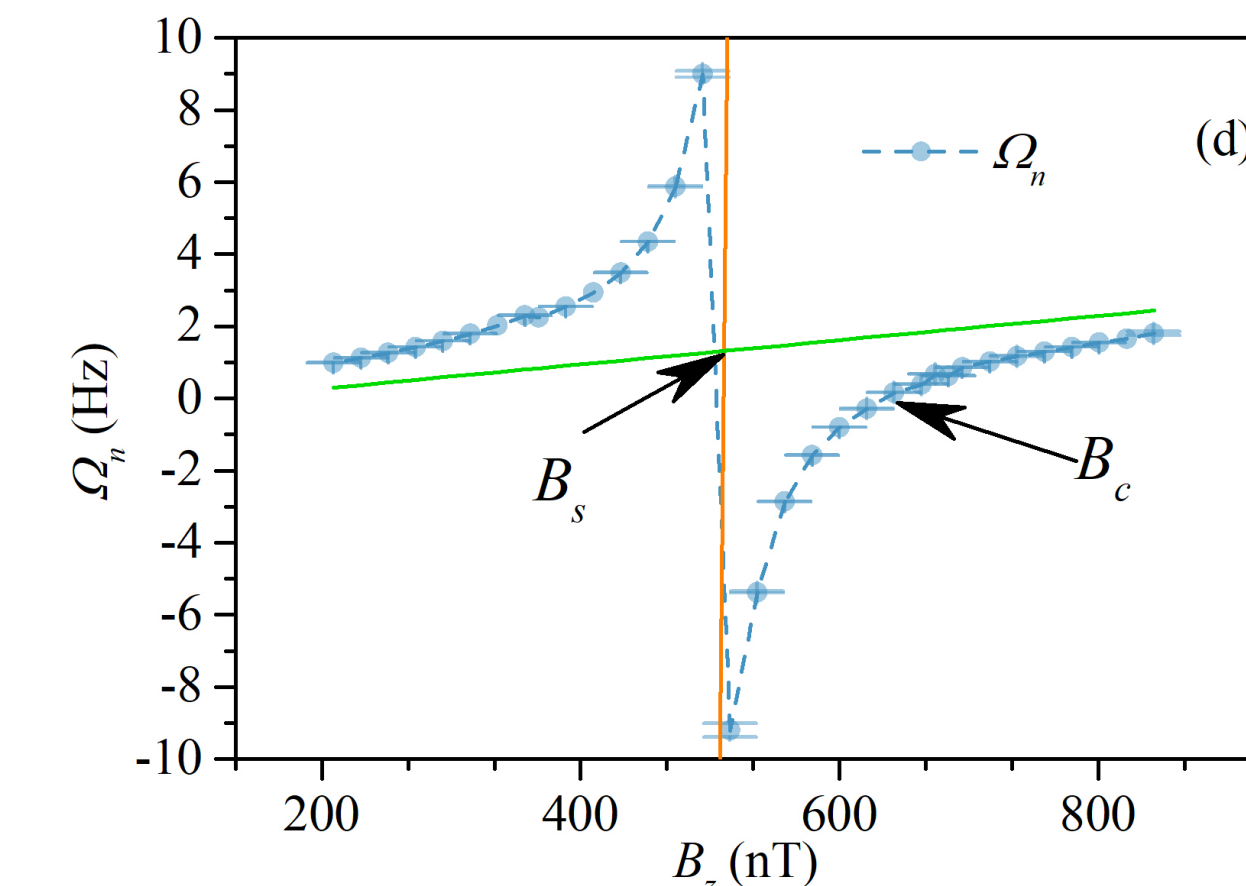
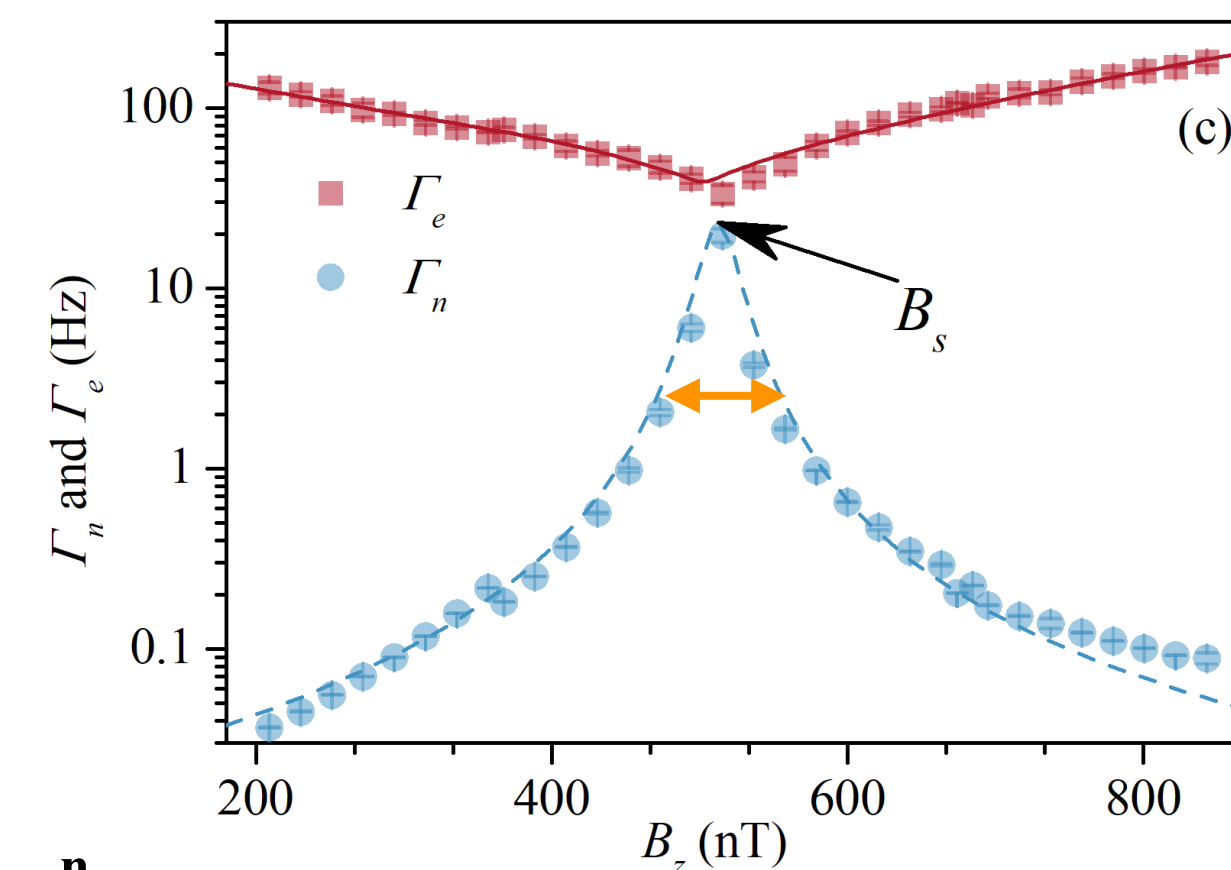
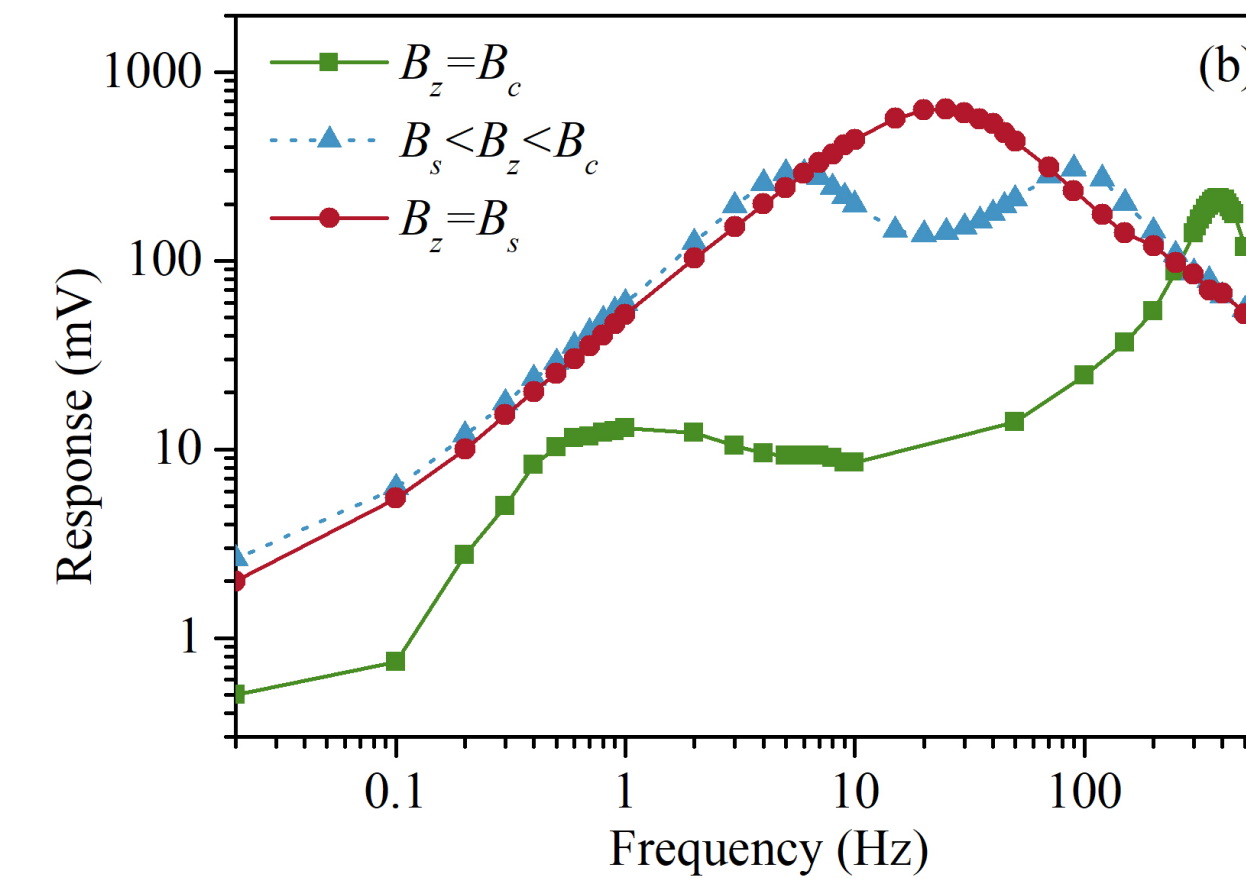
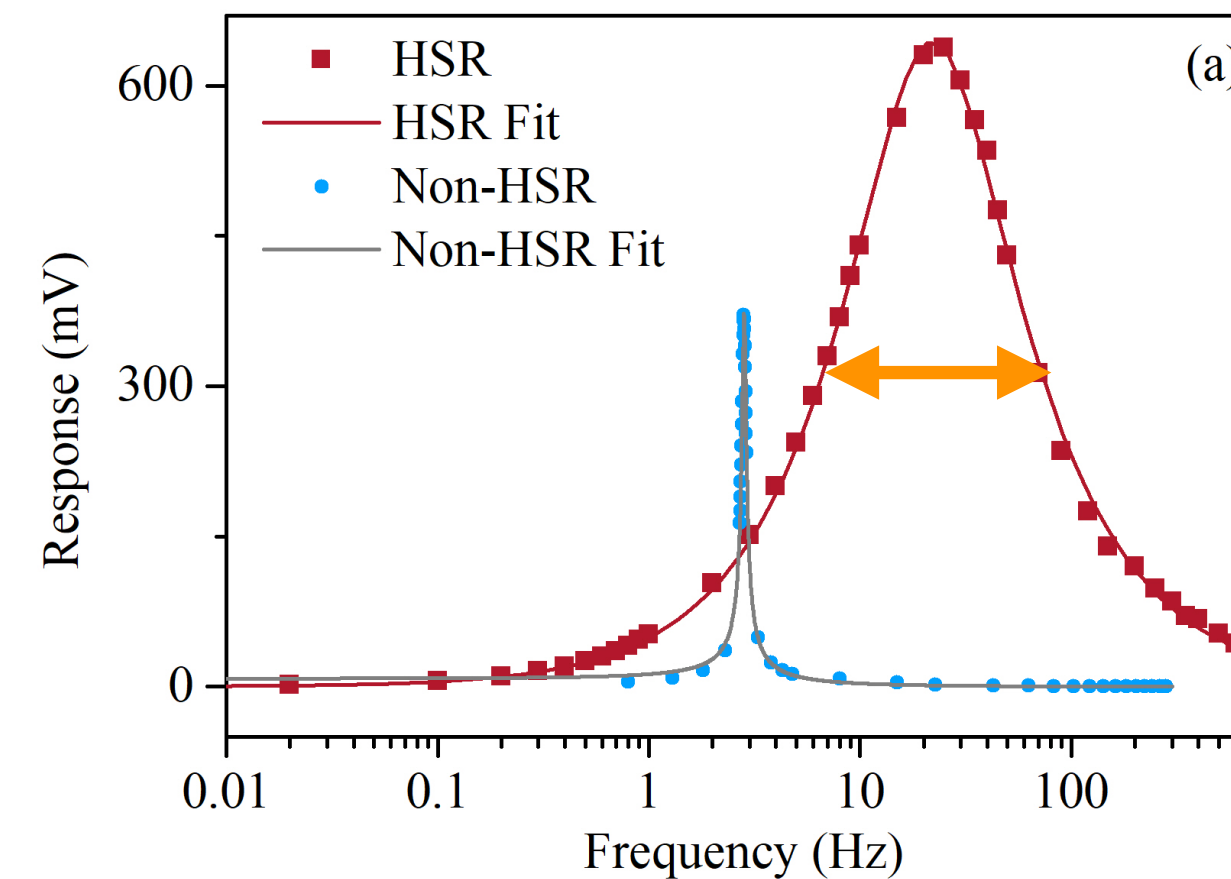
- HSR:  $\omega_K \approx \omega_{Ne}$

- Width  $\Gamma_n$  is about 100 Hz now

- NMR:  $\omega_{Ne} \approx m_a c^2$

$$\frac{\delta \mathbf{P}^e}{\delta t} = \frac{\gamma_e}{Q} [\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{L} + \lambda M_0^n \mathbf{P}^n + \mathbf{b}^e] \times \mathbf{P}^e - \mathbf{\Omega} \times \mathbf{P}^e + \frac{R_p \mathbf{S}_p + R_m \mathbf{S}_m + R_{se}^n \mathbf{P}^n}{Q} - \frac{\{R_1^e, R_2^e, R_2^e\}}{Q} \mathbf{P}^e$$

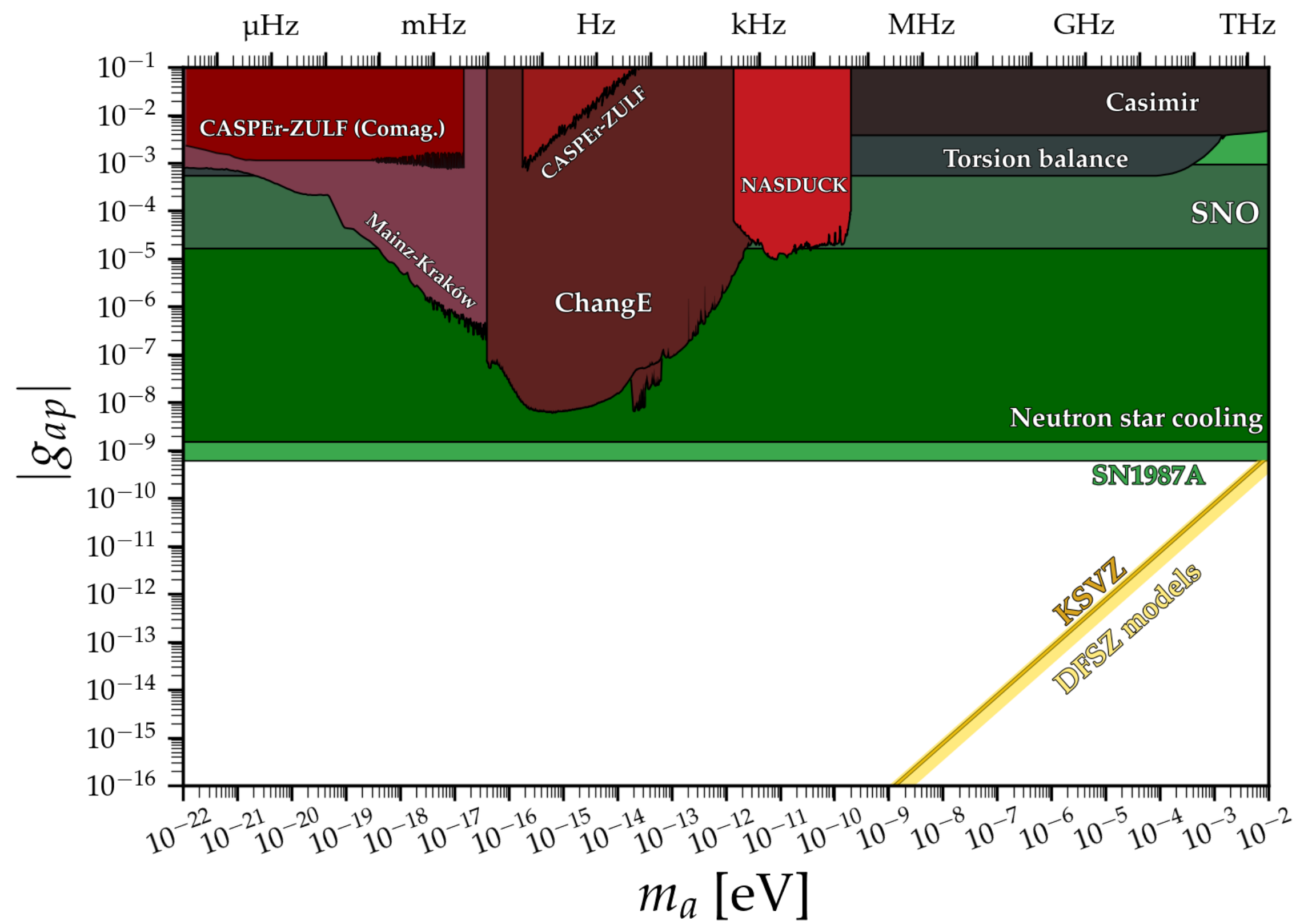
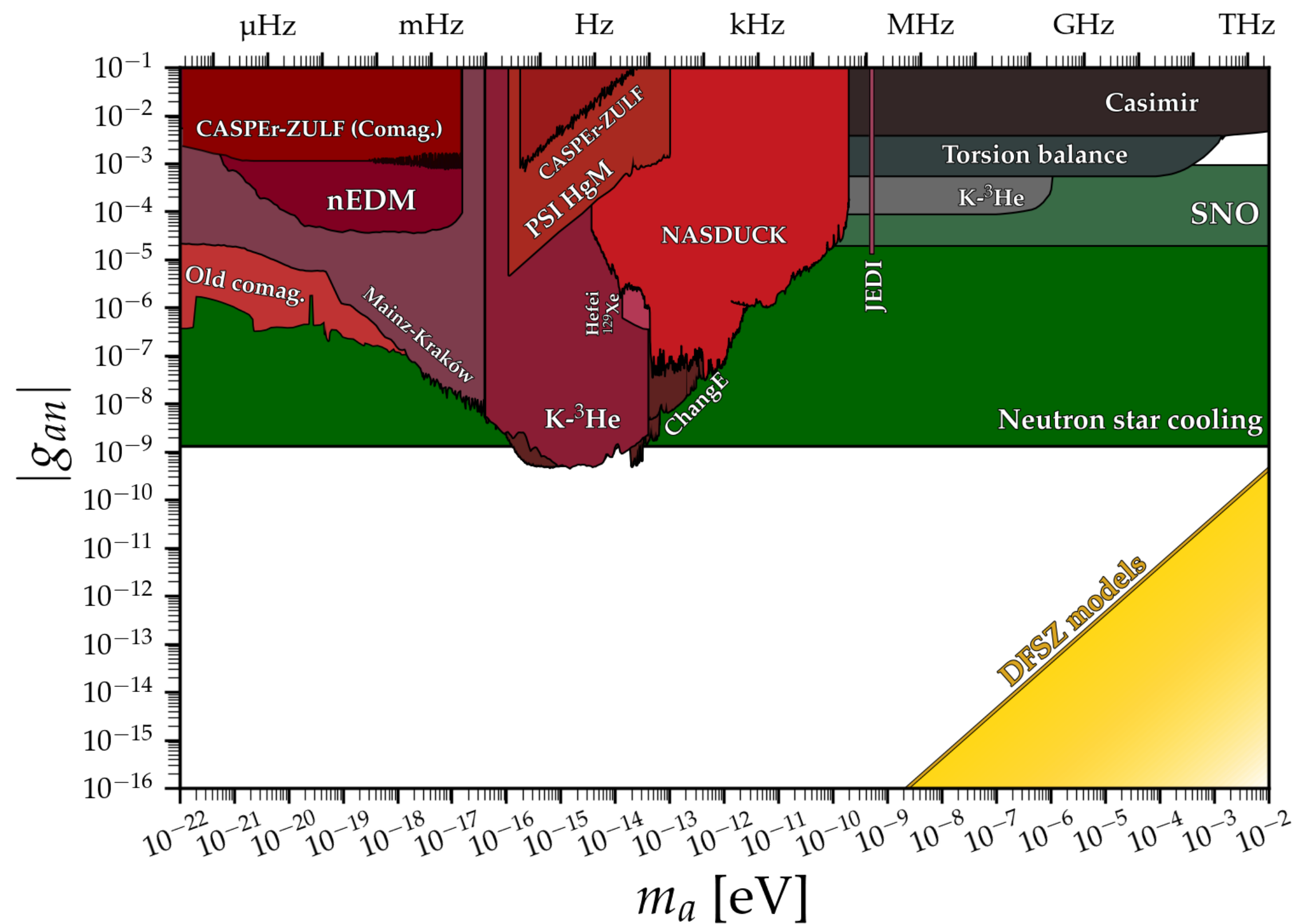
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# ChangE results

- **ChangE** experiments set competitive limits on ALP-nucleon couplings (AxionLimits version)
- Improving **ALP-proton coupling** limits by  $10^5 - 10^6$
- Provideing best limits on **ALP-neutron couplings** at  $\sim [0.02, 0.2]$  Hz and  $[10, 200]$  Hz



# Summary

- Axion is an important BSM physics model, providing solutions to strong CP problem and dark matter problem
- Invisible QCD axion is the high priority model stimulating lots of experiment searches
- Axion vector meson couplings are introduced with Wess-Zumino-Witten interactions, providing consistent amplitudes under auxiliary chiral rotations
- ChangE experiments set competitive limits on ALP-nucleon couplings

*Thank you!*

# Backup slides