### **The Axion Dark Matter eXperiment**



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### **Axion Motivation**



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### **Axion Parameter Space**



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### **Axion Haloscope**



#### You Want:

-Large Cavity Volume -High Magnetic Field -High Cavity Q

$$\frac{\partial \left(\mathbf{E}^2 / 2\right)}{\partial t} - \mathbf{E} \cdot \left(\nabla \times \mathbf{B}\right) = g_{a\gamma} \dot{a} \left(\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}\right)$$

Dark Matter Axions will convert to photons in a magnetic field.

The measurement is enhanced if the photon's frequency corresponds to the cavity's resonant frequency.

See: Sikivie, Phys. Rev. Lett. 1983

You Don't Want: -High <u>Thermal Noise</u> -High <u>Amplifier Noise</u>

### **ADMX:** Axion Dark Matter eXperiment



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breaking July 11, 2014 Courtesv of NASA

#### US reveals its next generation of dark matter experiments

Together, the three experiments will search for a variety of types of dark matter particles.

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Two US federal funding - Symmetry Maganzine

Collaboration: University of Washington IINIUniversity of Florida Yale UC Berkeley NRAO FNAI

## ADMX Design







Insert extraction from magnet

### **ADMX Receiver**



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## Tuning



Mode Map Rod2 at 0.967

Rod 1 Encoder



Cavity with lid off, showing tuning rods





Field simulation of TM010 mode, no rods

### **Axion Search Cadence**



Cavity resonant frequency is tuned by two movable rods

Power spectra are measured at each rod position

Axion signal would appear as a constant power excess

Most backgrounds do not persist

### **ADMX Expected Signal**



## Axion-Like Signal Calibration

### Single Raw Power Spectrum (100 second integration)

#### Raw Spectrum with Artificially Generated Axion-Like Signal



Injection of Axion-Like signals into cavity allow us to calibrate our analysis

## Gen 2 ADMX Program



Gen 2 ADMX Projected Sensitivity

at minimal couplings. We have a good chance at finding the axion.

# Key Technology: Sub-Kelvin Cooling

Time to scan axion mass range a 2010 speed: ~100 years

Scan Speed 
$$\frac{df}{dt} \propto \frac{1}{T_{noise}^2}$$
  
Want to run faster? Run colder!

Noise comes from amplifiers and physical temperature

$$T_{noise} = T_{amplifier} + T_{physical}$$

Key Technology: Quantum-limited Amplifiers



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# ADMX Gen 2 Key technologies improve scan speed immensely



Dilution refrigerator under test. Currently being packed for shipment to to UW.



# Another Gen 2 Improvement: Multimode Data Taking

Sensitivity  $\propto E_z \cdot B_z$ 





TM<sub>010</sub> Tuning Range 400-900 MHz Relative Power 1.0 TM<sub>020</sub> Tuning Range 920-2,100 MHz Relative Power 0.41

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### ADMX Recent Engineering Run





#### System exercised Summer/Fall 2014

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# ADMX Recent Engineering Run



Summer/Fall 2015 Engineering Run @ 1K:

- Verified magnet functionality after move to Seattle
- Verified functionality of rebuilt experimental insert/cavity system
- Tested thermal performance of redesigned cryogenic system at 1K
- Tested in-situ noise measurement of SQUID amplifier

Same data taken used for graduate thesis (Lyapustin, 2015): Study of multimode tuning and sensitivity of new system

### ADMX Gen 2 Status



Dilution Refrigerator Commissioning in progress at the University of Washington

All other subsystems are ready to go.



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### ADMX Gen 2 Near Term Schedule

Summer/Fall 2015: Dilution Refrigerator Commissioning

Fall/Winter 2015: Data Taking Begins



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## Expanding ADMX's Mass Range



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### ADMX Higher Frequency Projects Underway

#### A subset of ideas being explored...



**Open Resonators** 







Exotic Tuning



**Re-entrant Cavities** 



**Photonic Bandgap Cavities** 

## **Open Resonators**

Open resonators with spatially varying magnetic fields or resonances distorted by dielectrics allow for coherent dark matter axion conversion over volumes larger than traditional resonators



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### **Open Resonators**

#### Benchtop prototype results have been promising

Rybka et al. Phys. Rev. D 91, 011701(R) (2015)



Larger, cryogenic prototype design in progress

### **Active Resonators**



- Axion field acts as a source term in Maxwell's equations, just like a current.
- In this view, weak axion to cavity coupling is an impedance mismatch issue.
- Feedback circuits are commonly used to actively match impedances .
- This effectively increases the Q of the resonator.

#### Study on implementing for ADMX underway.

### **Active Resonators**

System can be demonstrated using weakly coupled antenna to simulate axion coupling



### Active Resonators

SNR Enhancement with synthetically generated axion-like RF signal



### Conclusions



to explore the classical dark matter axion window, starting this year.

#### **ADMX will be definitive**

if dark matter is made of QCD axions when we test a mass range we will see it, even at pessimistic couplings.

#### We are expanding our mass coverage

with the goal of exploring highest possible masses.

### We are going to find axion dark matter

if it is out there.



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