

dark matter

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<https://www.darkmatterday.com/educational-resources-dark-matter-day/>

DARK MATTER

INVISIBLE



Dark matter doesn't emit, absorb or reflect light, so it's impossible to 'see'.

IMPORTANT



Scientists think dark matter helps hold the universe together.

Advanced detectors help us to



SEARCH
for dark matter



1933

Swiss astronomer Fritz Zwicky theorises the existence of a mysterious substance he calls 'dark matter'.



1970's

Vera Rubin discovers evidence to support the existence of dark matter.



1990's onwards

Scientists begin running dark matter particle detectors in deep underground labs.



2000 onwards

Space-based detectors launched to search for indirect evidence of dark matter fragments.

Planets, stars, the stuff we can see makes up just



of the universe.

DARK MATTER
is
EVERYWHERE



Normal
5%

The other is a mystery
95%

DARK MATTER
BENDS
LIGHT

That's how we know it exists.



MYSTERIOUS

It's been many decades since we first theorised the existence of dark matter but we still haven't PROVEN it!

A PARTICLE?



OR

GRAVITY

Most scientists think dark matter might be a strange type of particle. Others think it could be an undiscovered property of gravity.

DARK MATTER

IS OUT THERE

Present day

THE SEARCH GOES ON

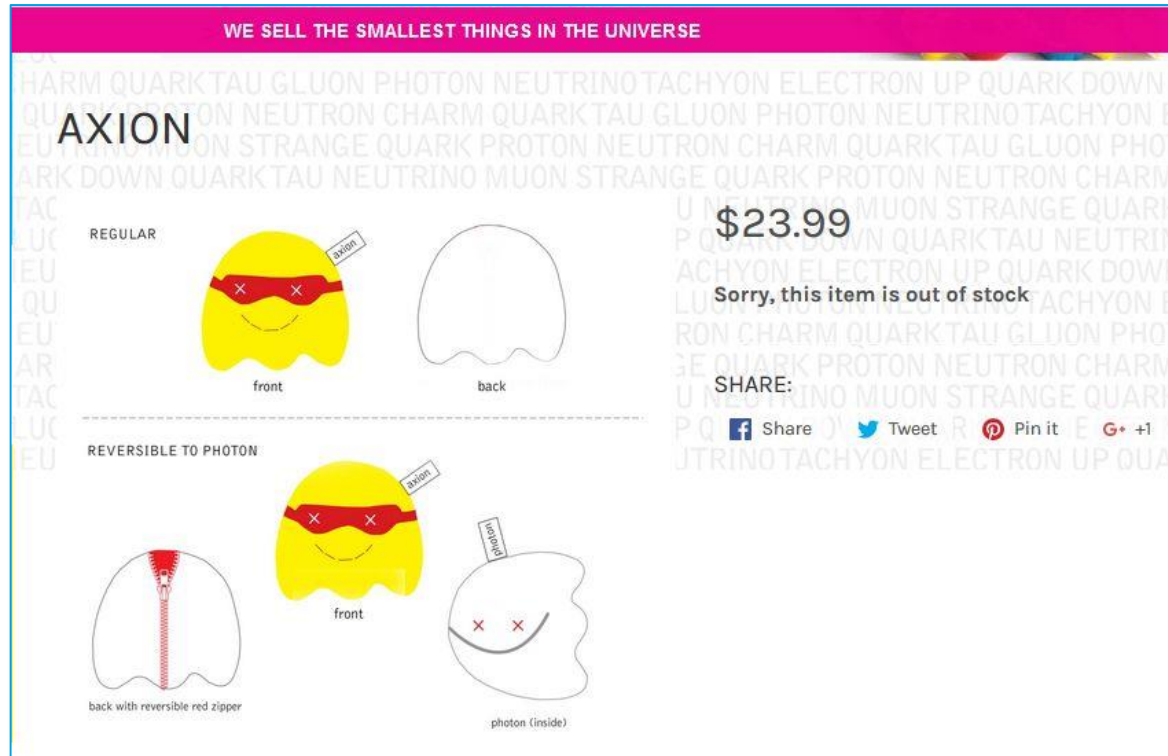


New experimental approaches towards finding dark matter

Experiments @ DESY in Hamburg

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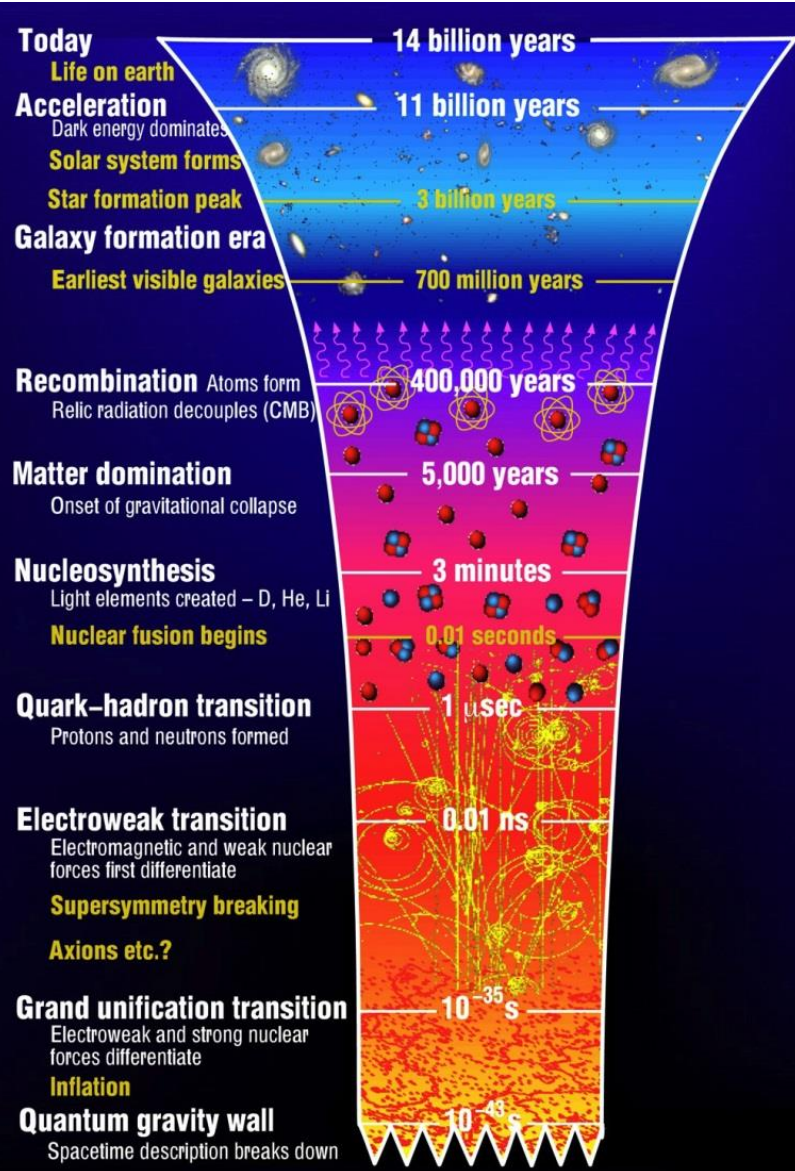
<https://www.particlezoo.net>

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Why?

To understand our universe!



3,000,000,000 years after the Big Bang

400,000 years after BB

3 minutes after BB

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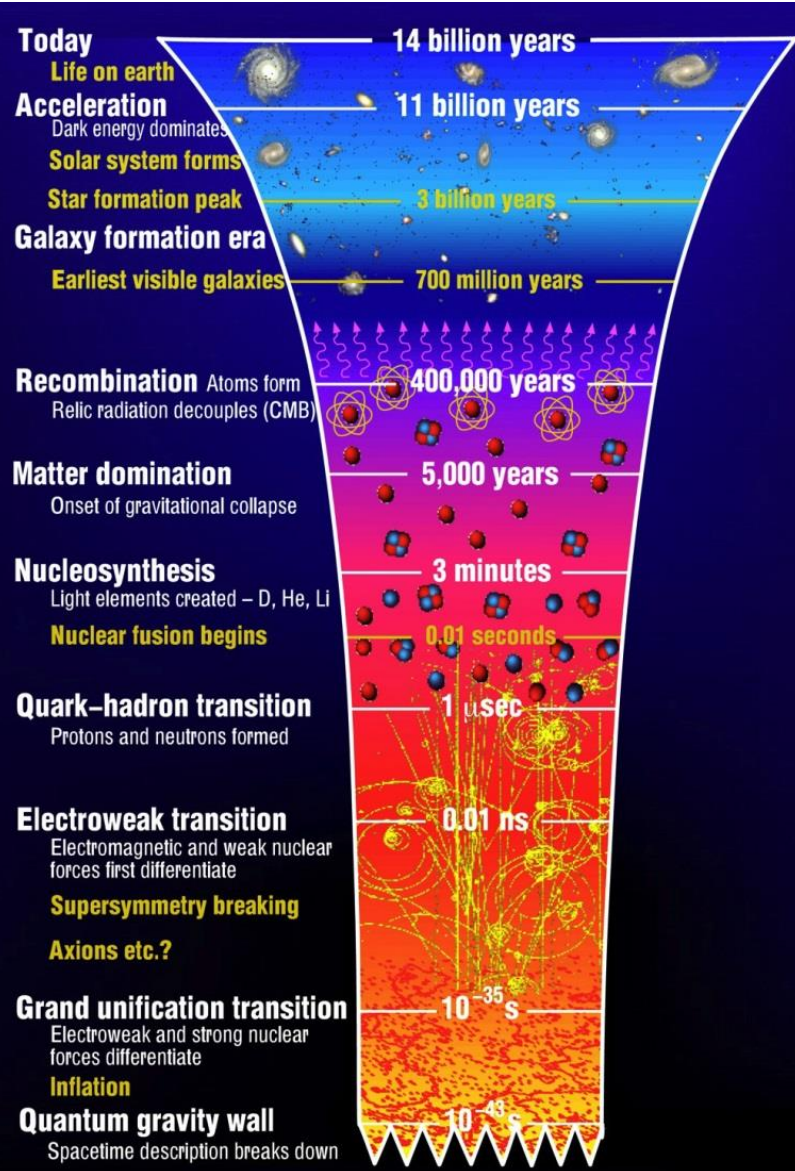
Astronomy

BB in the laboratory:

Elementary particle physics

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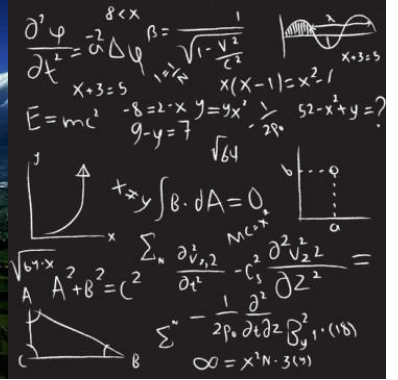
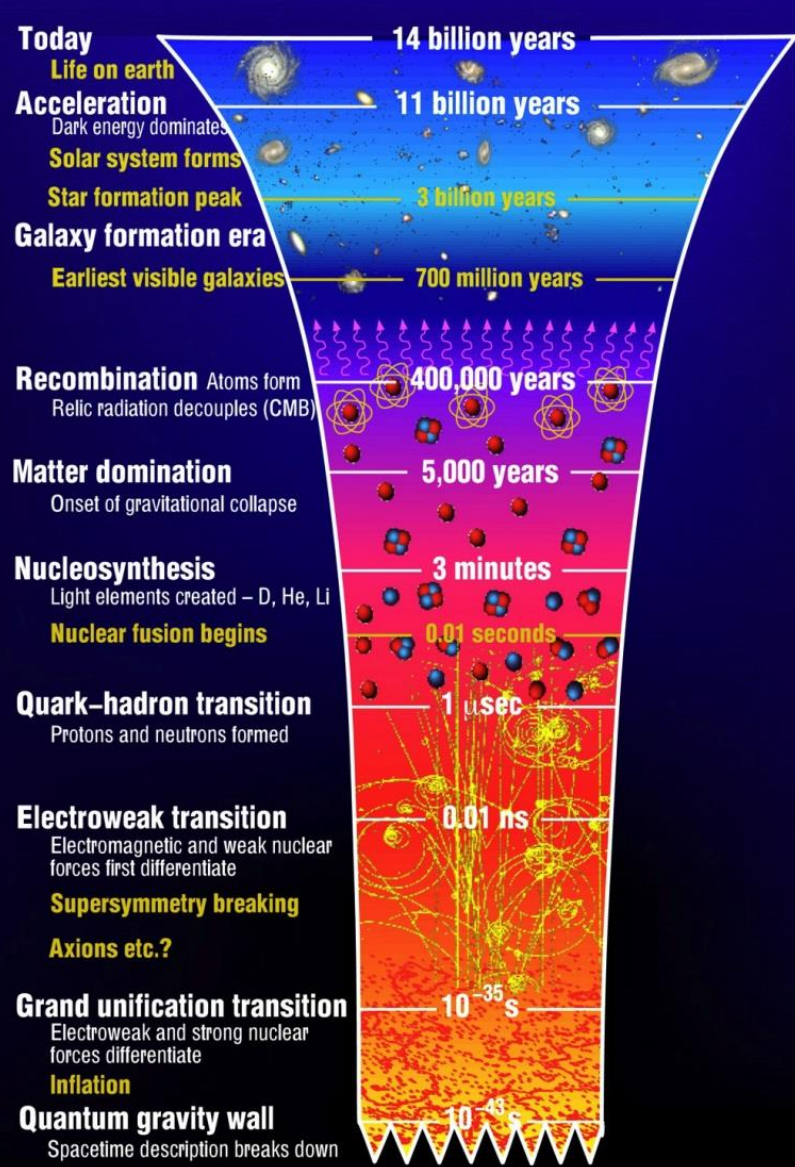
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Gravitational waves?

What do we know

A very brief status report



Astronomy,

particle physics

theory

seem to fit perfectly!

We seem to understand how the universe evolved precisely.

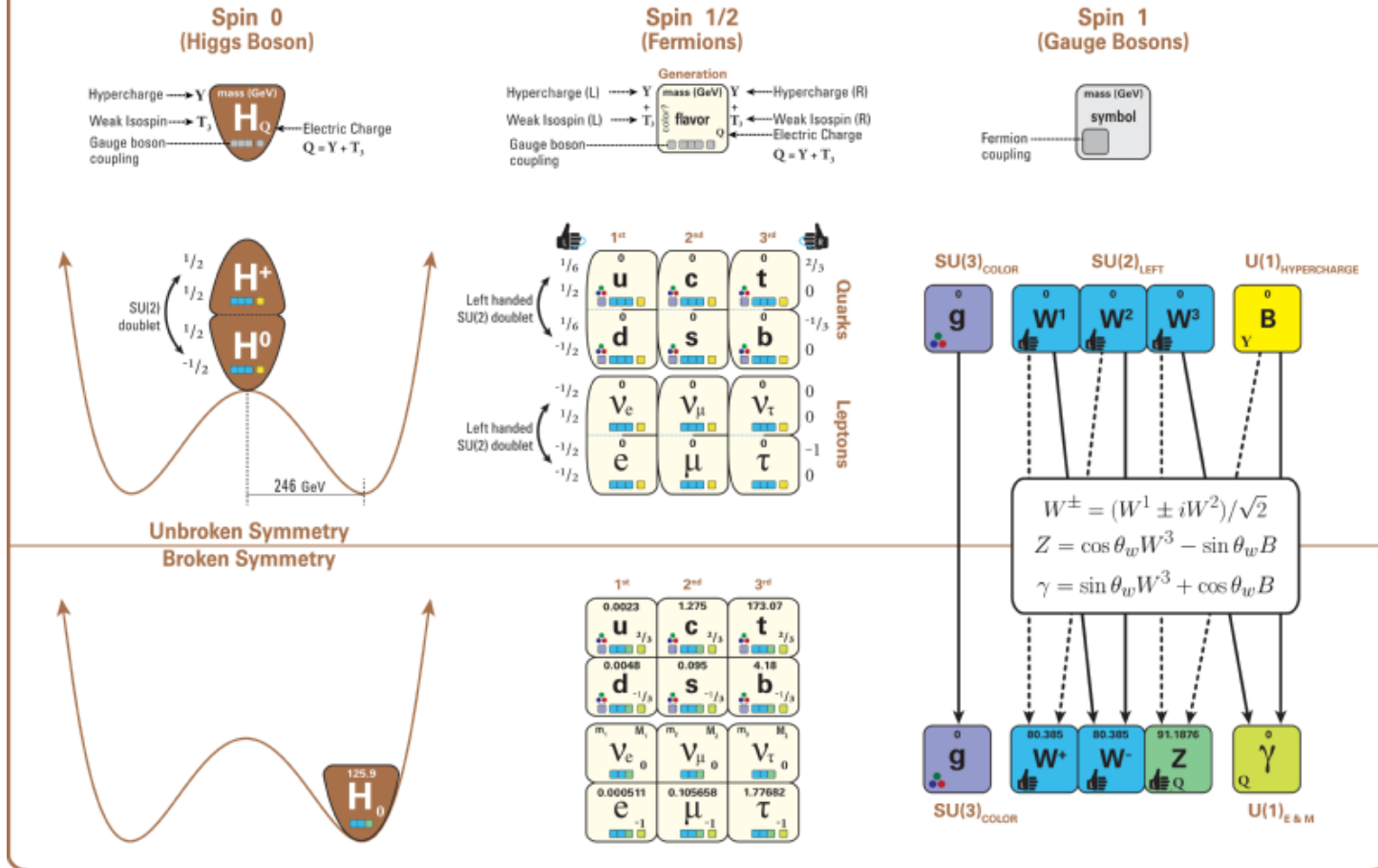
Example:

Age of the universe = 13.799 ± 0.021 billion years (0.15% accuracy!)

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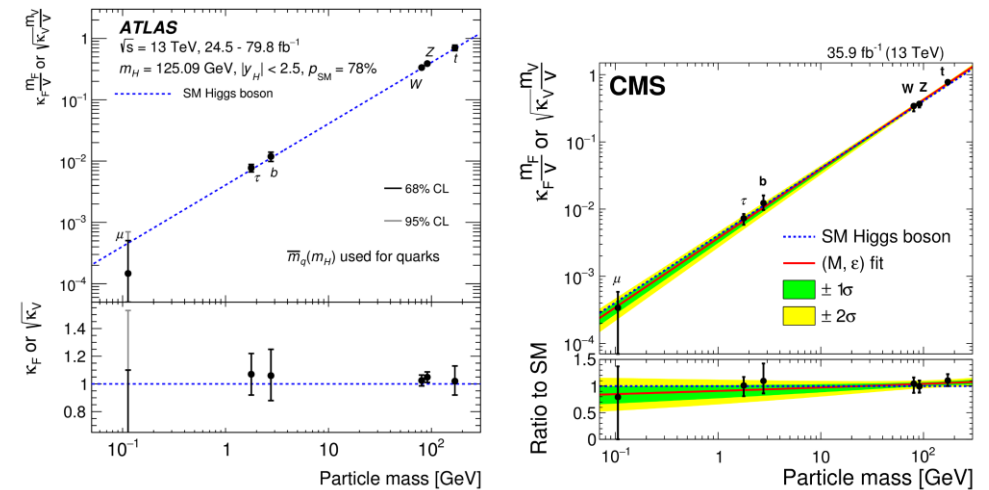
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The Standard Model of Particle Physics



All experiments probing the smallest constituents of matter and its interactions perfectly fit to the standard model, apart from non-zero neutrino masses.

Example: properties of the Higgs.



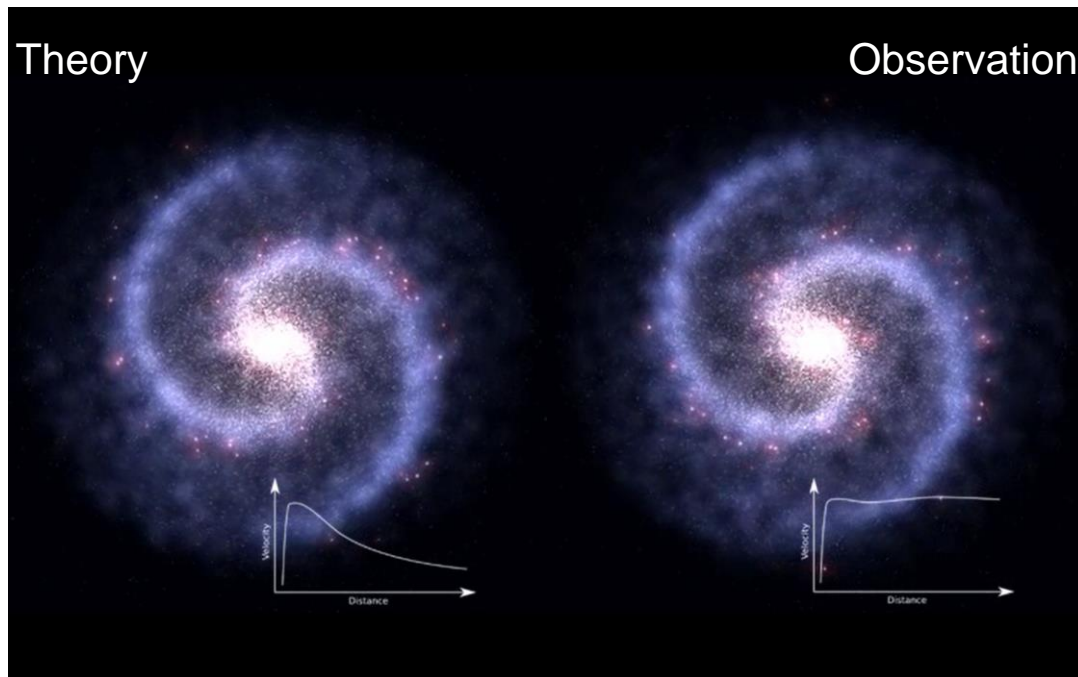
Precision Measurements in the Higgs Sector at ATLAS and CMS
A. Sopczak, [arXiv:2001.05927](https://arxiv.org/abs/2001.05927) [hep-ex]

What do we know

Flaw(s) ?

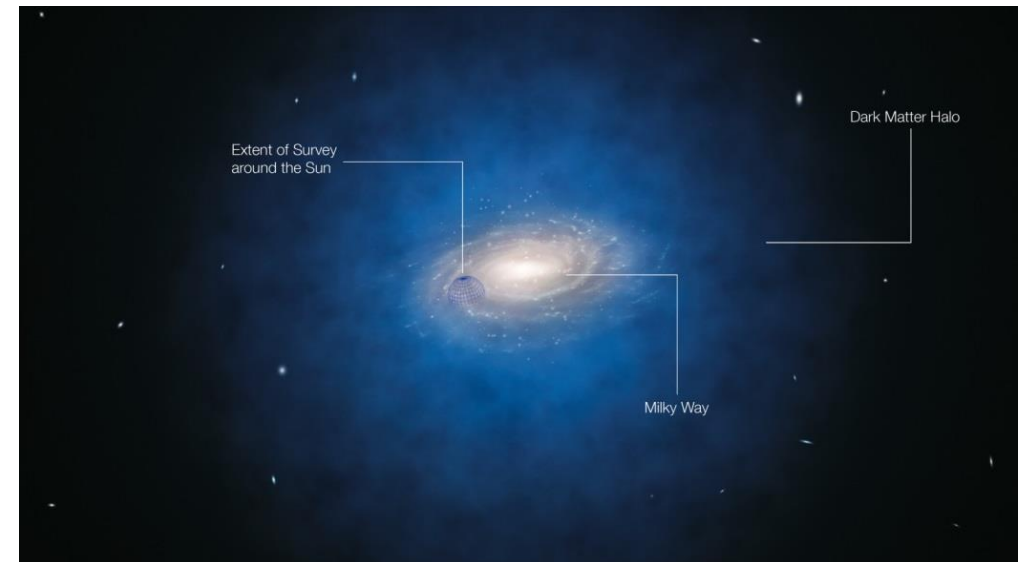
Particle physics and cosmology only fit if a large amount of mass and energy of unknown constituents exist.

Example: rotation of galaxies.



http://beltoforion.de/article.php?a=spiral_galaxy_renderer

Dark matter $\approx 10 \cdot$ visible matter



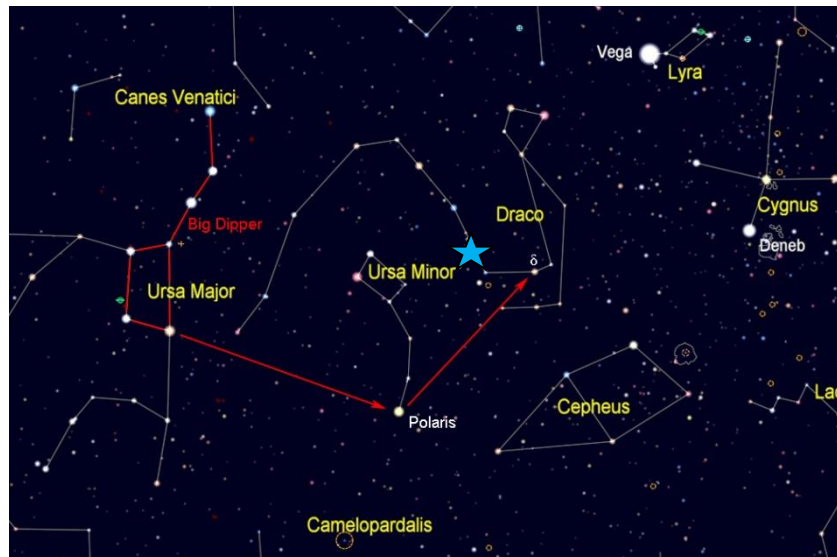
<https://www.eso.org/public/news/eso1217/>

Rotation of galaxies

A quick look

Galaxy NGC 6503

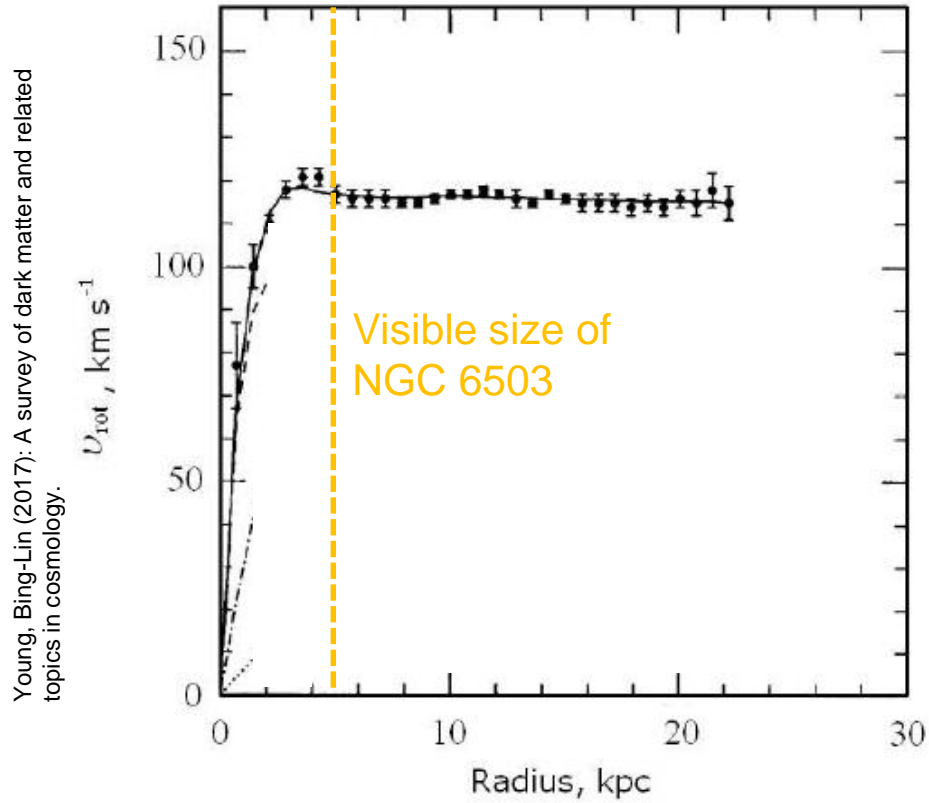
30,000 light-years large dwarf
17 million light-years away



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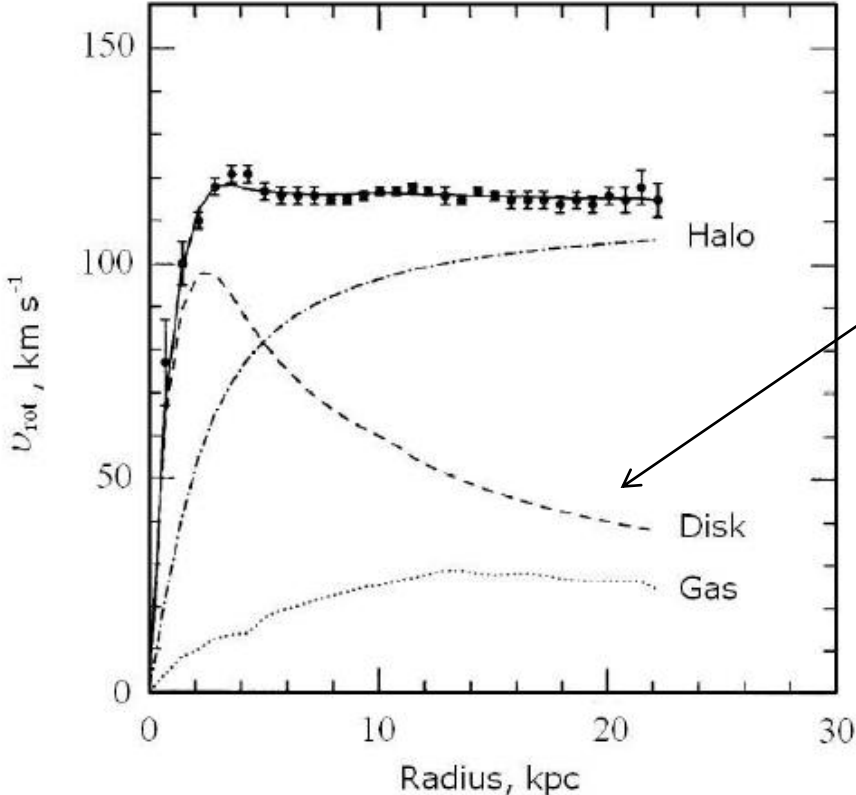


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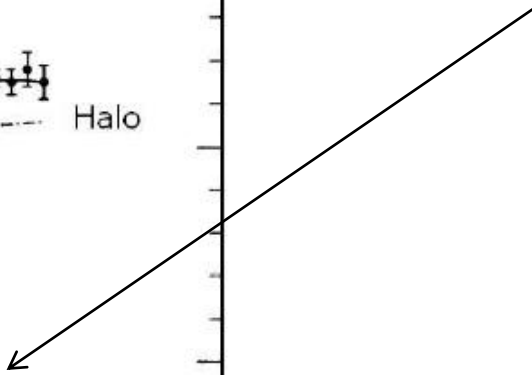
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Young, Bing-Lin (2017): A survey of dark matter and related topics in cosmology.



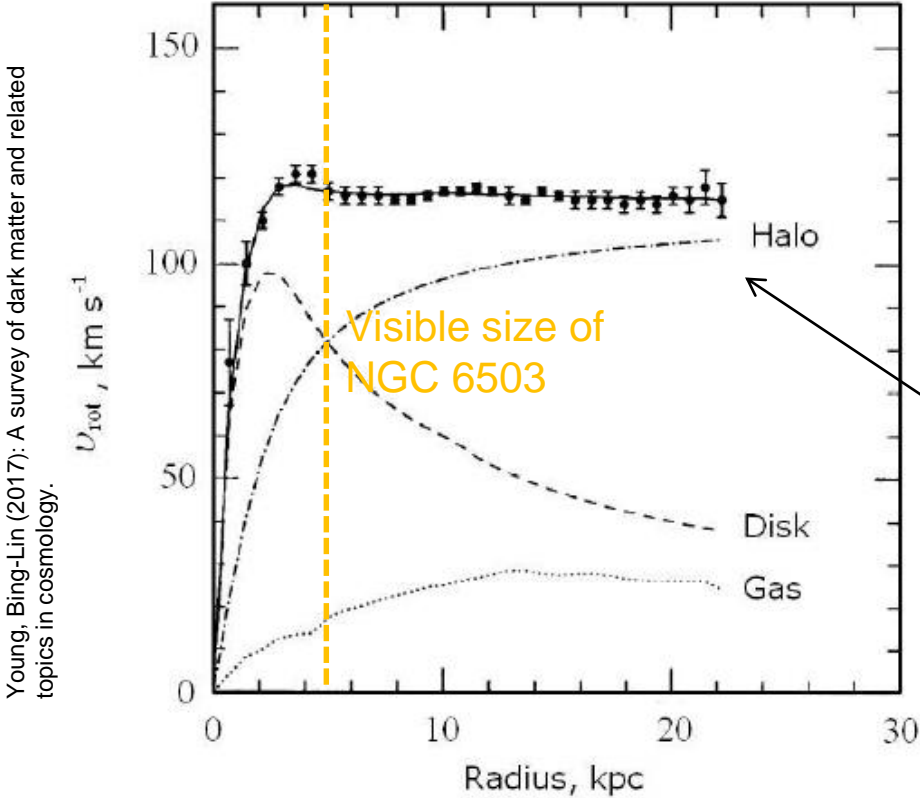
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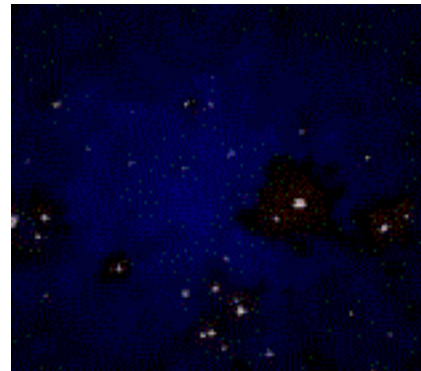
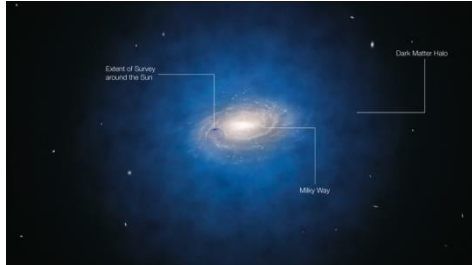
- $v_{rot} = \sqrt{\frac{GM}{r}}$ decreases with $\sim \sqrt{\frac{1}{r}}$
- Observation:
 $v_{obs} = \sqrt{\frac{GM(r)}{r}} = \text{const}$
➡ $M(r) = \text{const} \cdot r$
- There must be a halo of invisible mass!

What do we know

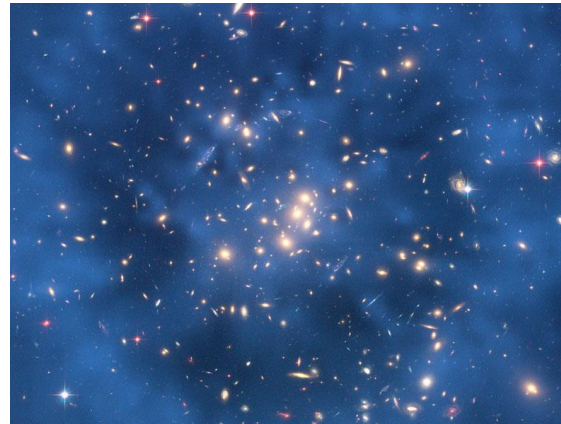
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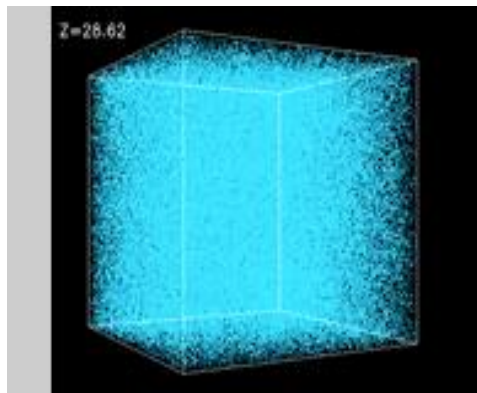
Many evidences for dark matter on length scales of galaxies and beyond.



<http://ircamera.as.arizona.edu/NatSci102/NatSci102/lectures/galaxydist.htm>

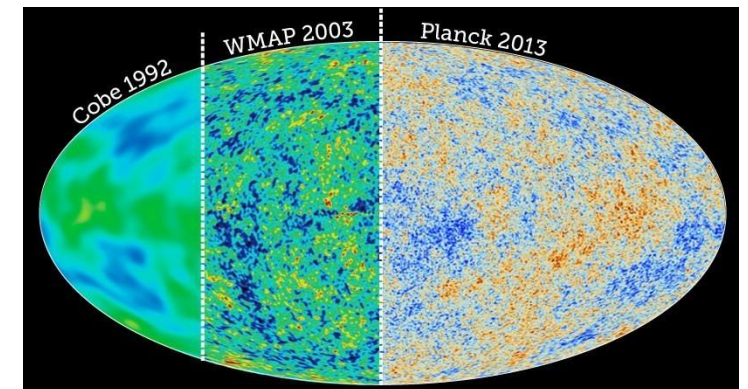


https://www.esa.int/Science_Exploration/Space_Science/Hubble_sees_dark_matter_ring_in_a_galaxy_cluster



<http://cosmicweb.uchicago.edu/filaments.html>

https://www.researchgate.net/figure/Temperature-fluctuations-observed-in-the-CMB-using-COBE-WMAP-Planck-data-Gold-et-al_fig1_328474806



What do we know

Composition of the universe

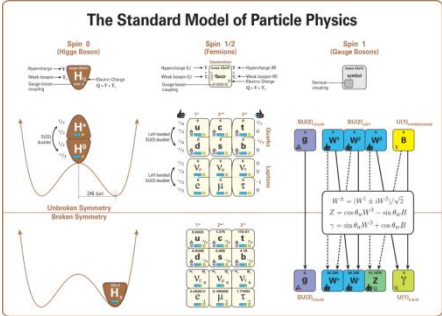
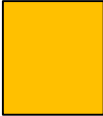
stars

0.5%



gas / dust

4.5%



dark matter

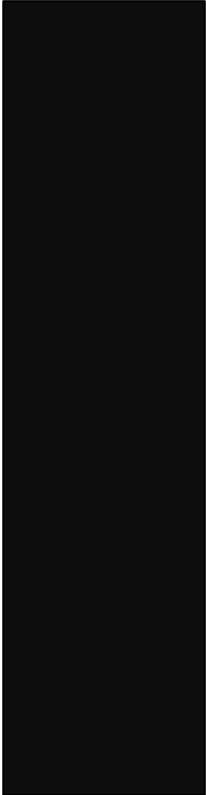
26%



additional gravitation (galaxies & beyond)

dark energy

69%



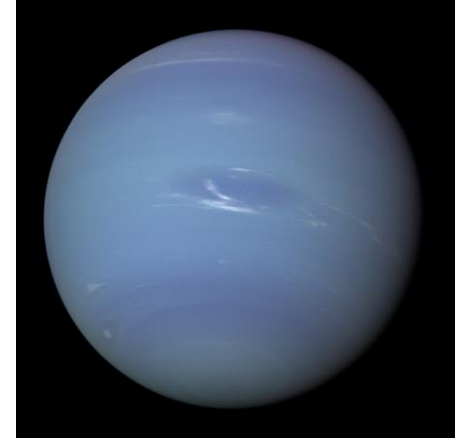
anti-gravitation on largest scales

How to find something invisible?

A bit of history

1: Discovery of the planet Neptune:

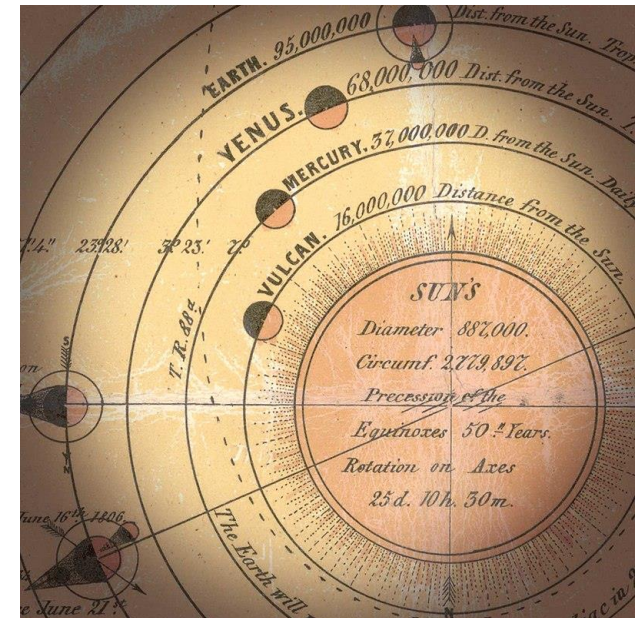
- The orbit of Uranus did not match calculations (Newtonian forces).
- The differences could be well explained by another gravitating body: Neptune.



2: General relativity:

- The orbit of Mercury did not match calculations (Newtonian forces).
- The differences could not be explained by another gravitating body (Vulcan), but is perfectly explained by general relativity.

You may find either a new form of matter or a new more fundamental theory.



How to find dark matter?

Two approaches

1: Looking for dark matter (DM) in the cosmos:

- Detect local DM around us.
- Identify signatures of DM in the universe (beyond gravitation).

2: Look for DM candidates in the laboratory:

- Experiments at the high energy frontier.
- Precision experiments.
- Understanding extreme conditions in the universe.

Examples

WIMP searches in underground detectors

Gamma rays from WIMP annihilation

LHC

Shining light through walls

Evolution of stars

Theory: dark matter candidates

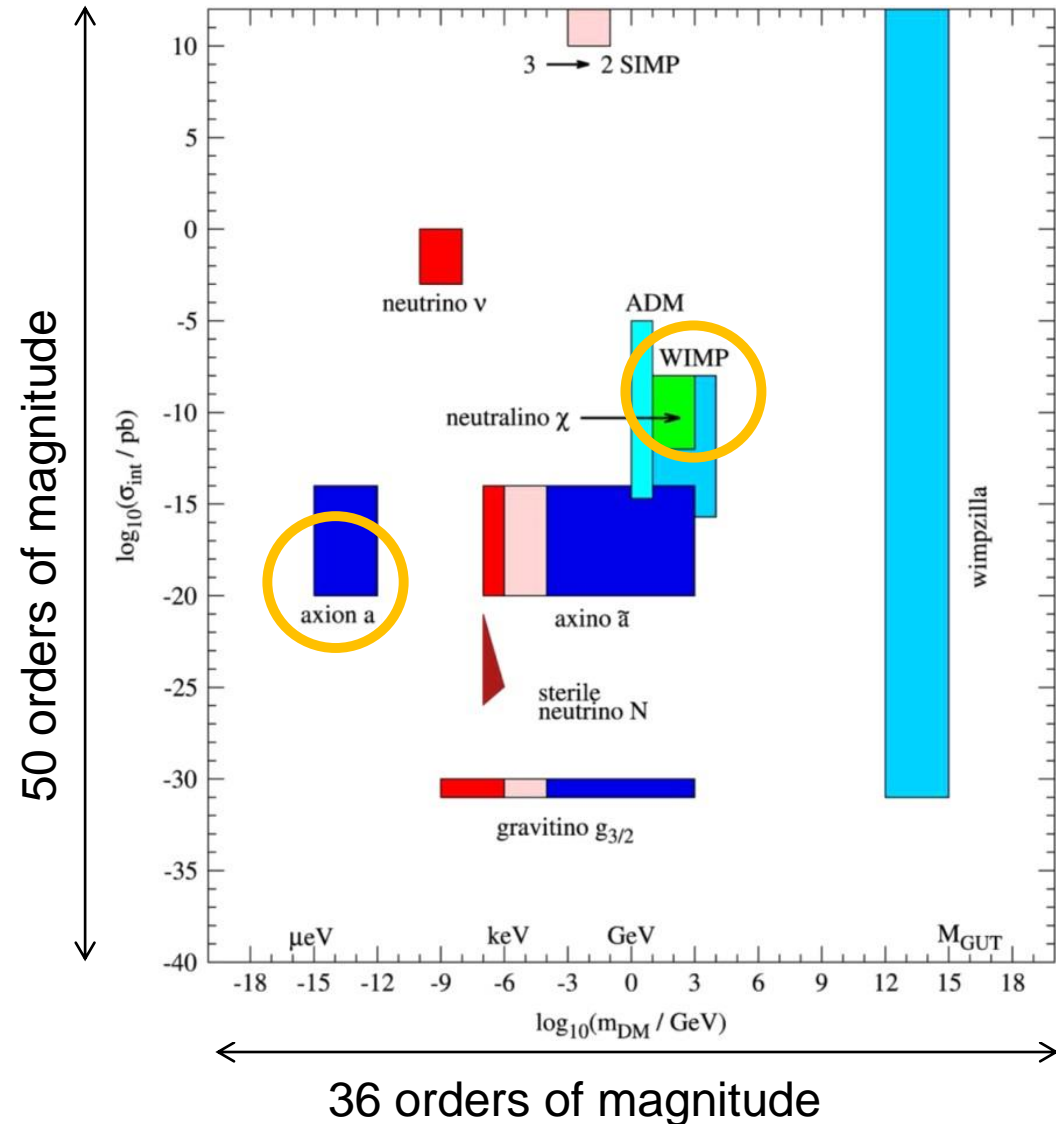
A huge parameter space

There is a plentitude of theories predicting dark matter candidates

covering more than 30 orders of magnitude in mass range

and

predicting interaction strengths with normal matter orders of magnitude below neutrino cross sections.



Dark matter detection (Laura Baudis),
<http://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/0954-3899/43/4/0444001>

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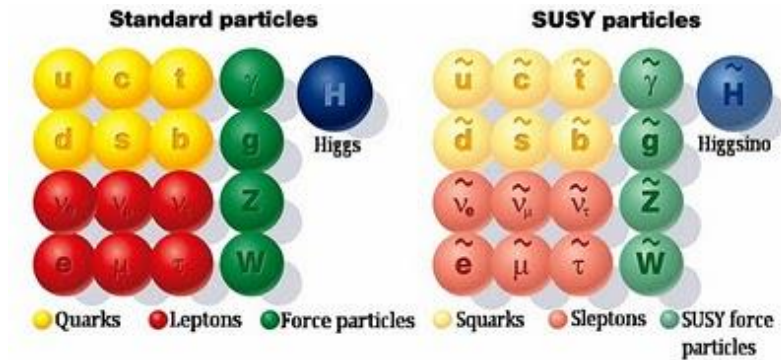
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Dark matter candidates: WIMPs

A huge parameter space

- Weakly Interacting Massive Particles (WIMPs)
 - Theory: a SuperSYmmetry between fermions and bosons might exist. The lightest SUSY particle could make up the dark matter.
 - Dark matter: the lightest stable SUSY particle with an self interaction strengths of the order of the weak interaction would “naturally” be produced as dark matter in the early universe.
 - Additional benefit: if SUSY masses are at the TeV scale one could understand details of the standard model (e.g. Higgs mass) and SUSY could show up at the LHC.
- Prediction:

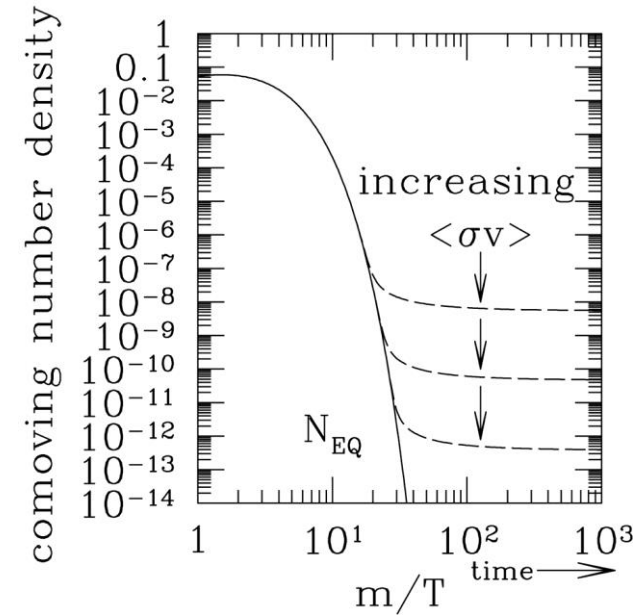
Dark matter is composed out of elementary particles with masses $O(10 \text{ to } 100 \text{ GeV})$.
Its number density is about 0.01 1/cm^3 .
It should interact weakly with SM matter.



WIMP dark matter in the universe

A brief history

1. When the universe is very hot (hotter than the mass of the WIMP) all particles are in thermal equilibrium: the rates of production and annihilation are the same.
2. The universe expands: the particle energy drops, WIMP production rates drop, but WIMPs can still annihilate.
3. The universe expands further: the WIMP density drops further, WIMPs do not any more meet each other and annihilation stops: WIMPs “freeze out”.
4. Assuming WIMP masses around the electroweak scale (LHC!) and weakly interacting WIMPs gives “automatically” the correct amount of dark matter!



THE WIMP MIRACLE

Direct detection of dark matter WIMPs

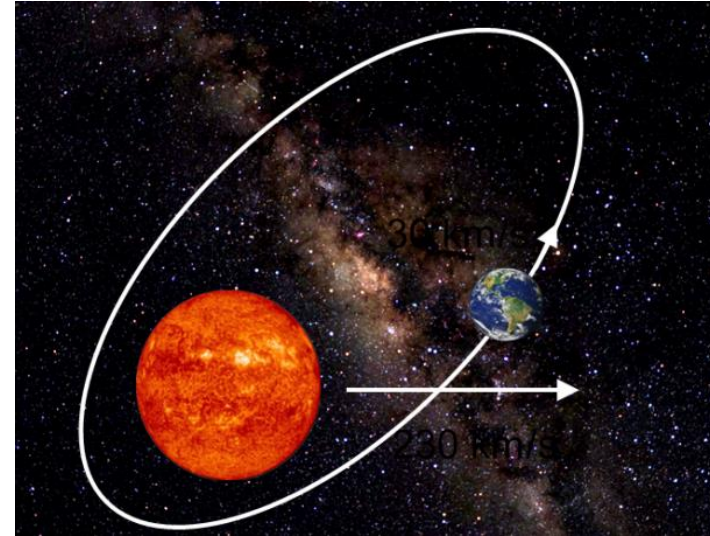
Basics

The earth moves through the WIMP halo

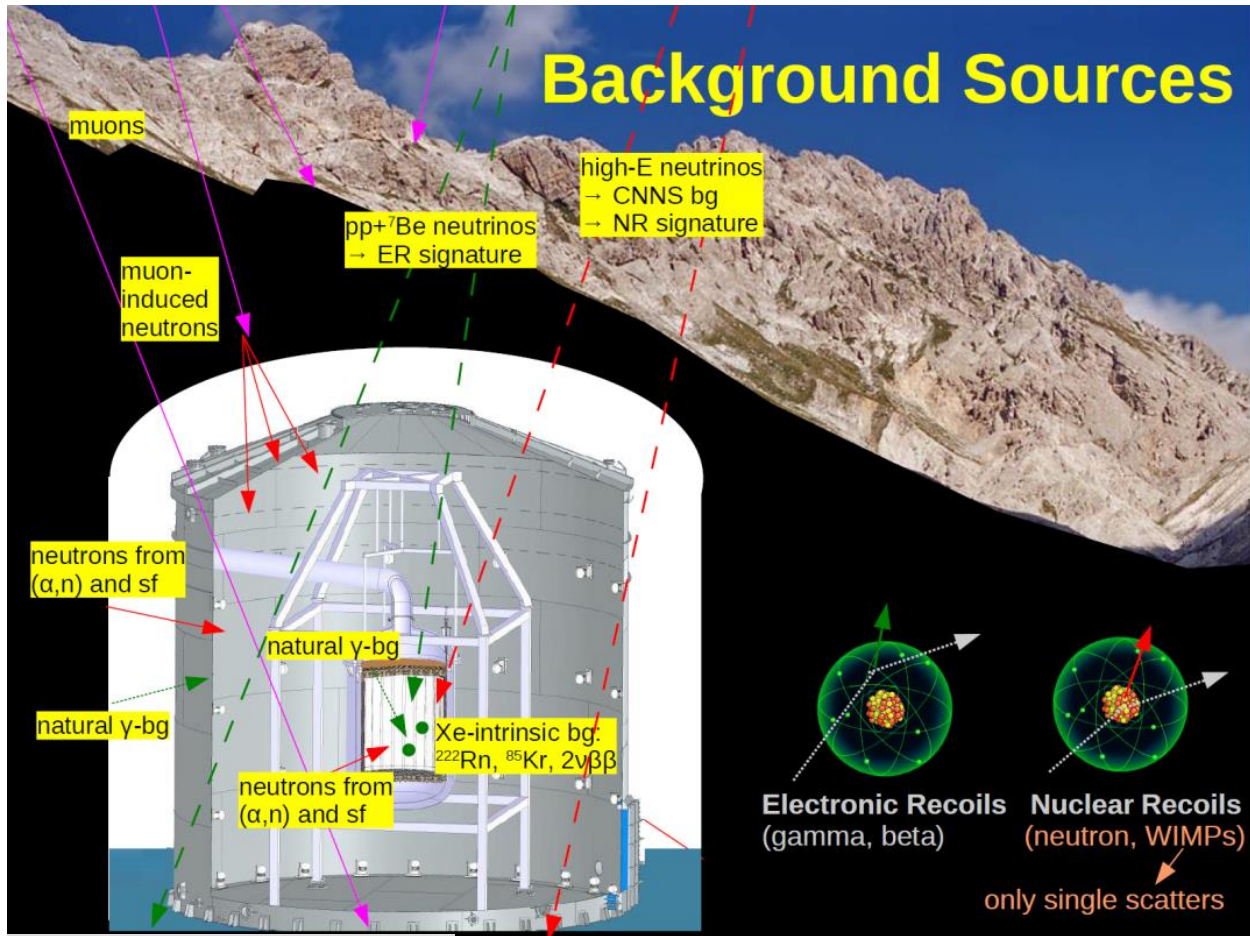
- WIMPs scatter elastically on nuclei
- Measure nuclear recoils

Experimental challenge:

- WIMP mass: 10 GeV to TeV (\approx mass of nuclei)
- Relative speed ~ 220 km/s \rightarrow kinetic energy \approx keV
- Local density: 0.3 GeV/cm³ \rightarrow Event rate 0.1/day/kg
- Very low cross sections: $\sigma_{\chi} < 10^{-14} \sigma_{pp}$



Basic detector considerations



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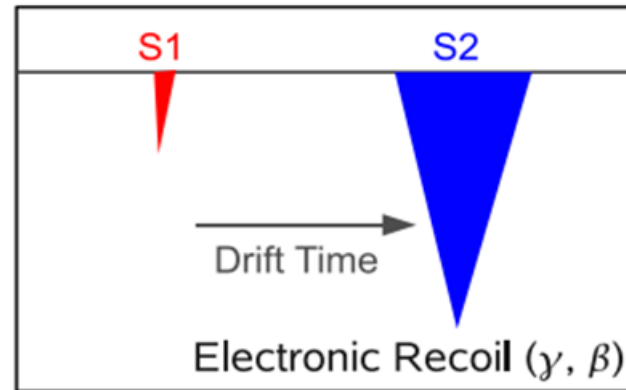
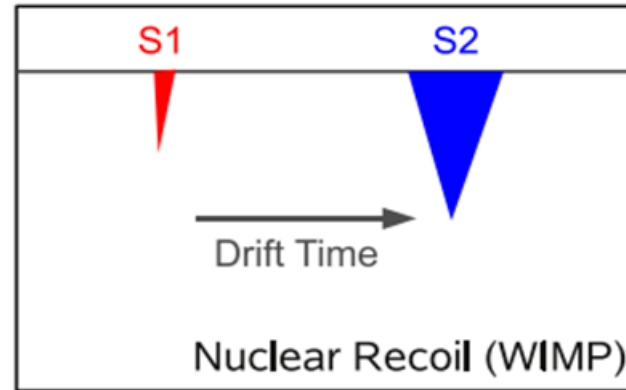
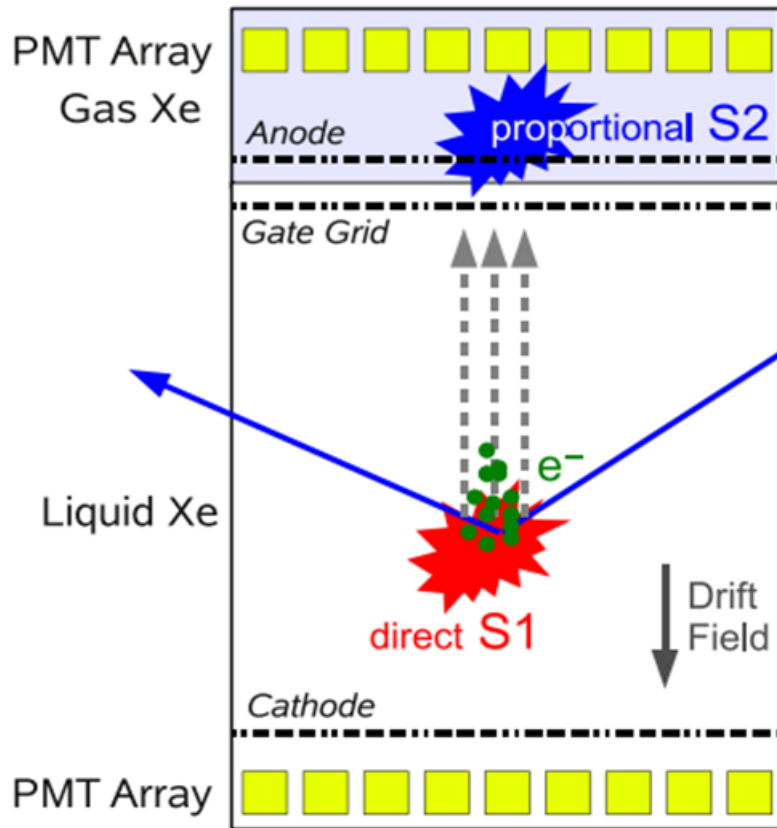
PATRAS 2017
Thessaloniki, May 19, 2017

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- Large, well shielded detectors to suppress background
- Radio-pure materials
- Discrimination between electronic and nuclear recoils
→ further suppress cosmic ray interactions and radioactivity
- Remaining background: neutron scattering

Example: the XENON experiment

Two-phase Xe Time Projection Chamber

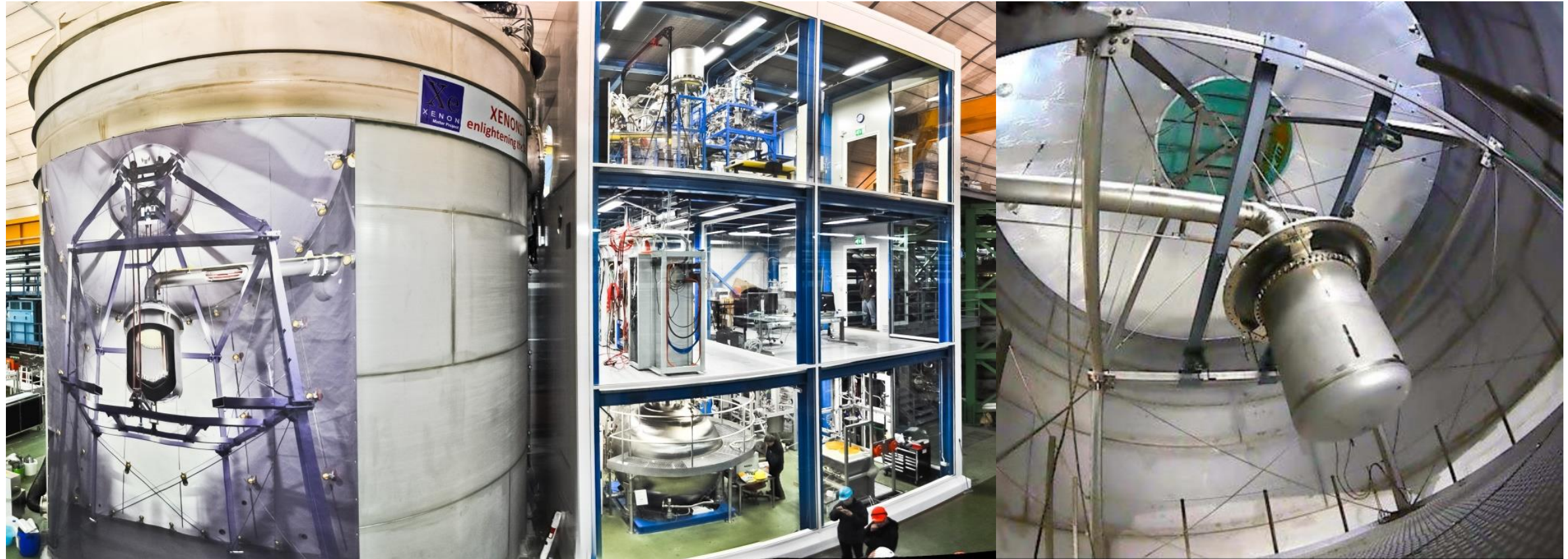


- Signal S1: Scintillation light from the scattering process in the liquid Xe
- Signal S2: Light produced in the gaseous phase by electrons drifted from primary scatter
- Different ionization densities
→ Ratio $S2/S1$:
Small for nuclear recoil, larger for electronic recoil

S.E.A. Orrigo, Direct Dark Matter Search with XENON100

The XENON experiment

Gran Sasso National Laboratory, Italy



<https://phys.org/news/2017-05-xenon1t-sensitive-detector-earth-wimp.html>

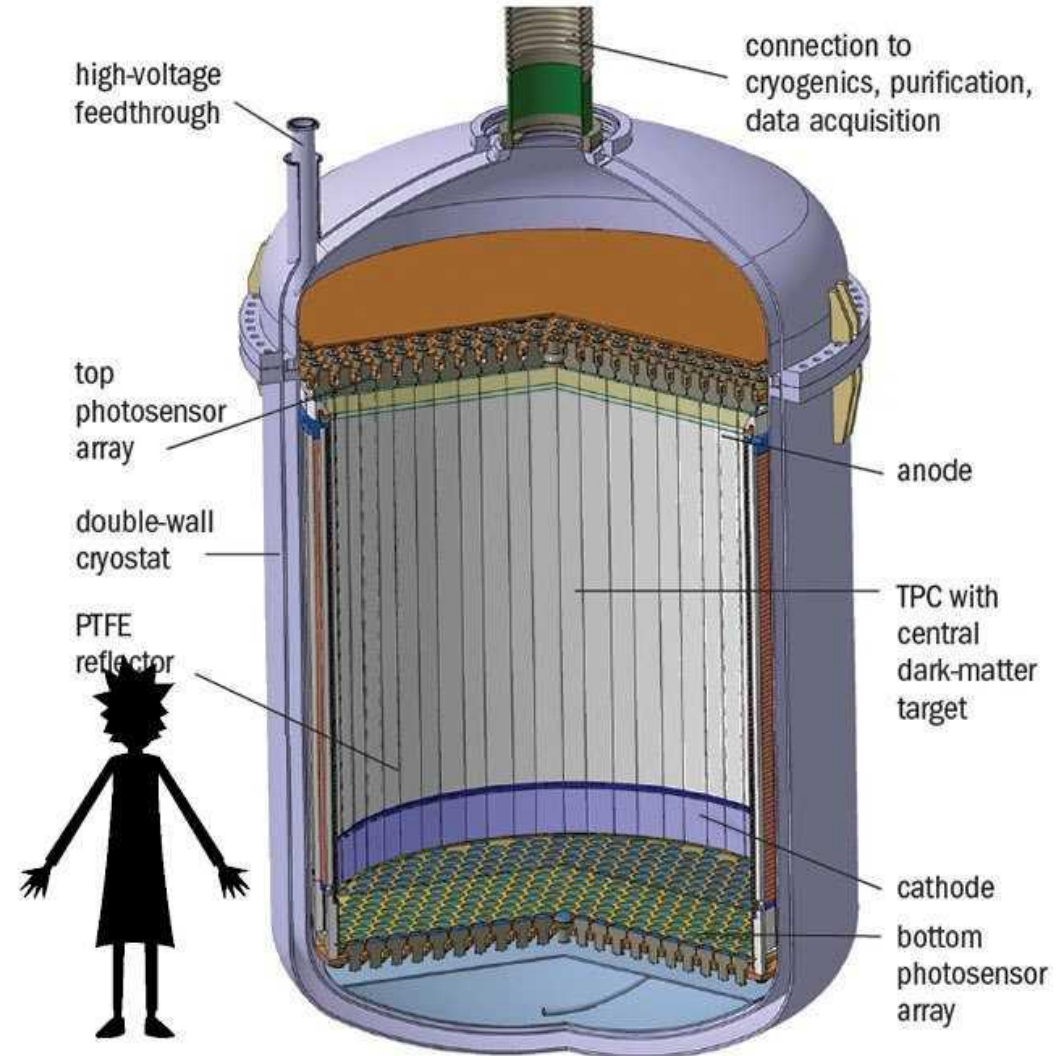
The DARWIN Experiment

An ultimate WIMP search?

Next generation LXe experiment

- DARWIN
(DARk matter WImp search with liquid xenON)
- 50 t liquid Xe
(world-wide annual Xe market: ≈ 100 t)
- Lowest WIMP-nucleon cross-section
in 50 GeV mass range
- Lots of other rare physics topics.

<https://www.media.uzh.ch/en/Press-Releases/2017/Xenon1T-Dark-Matter.html>

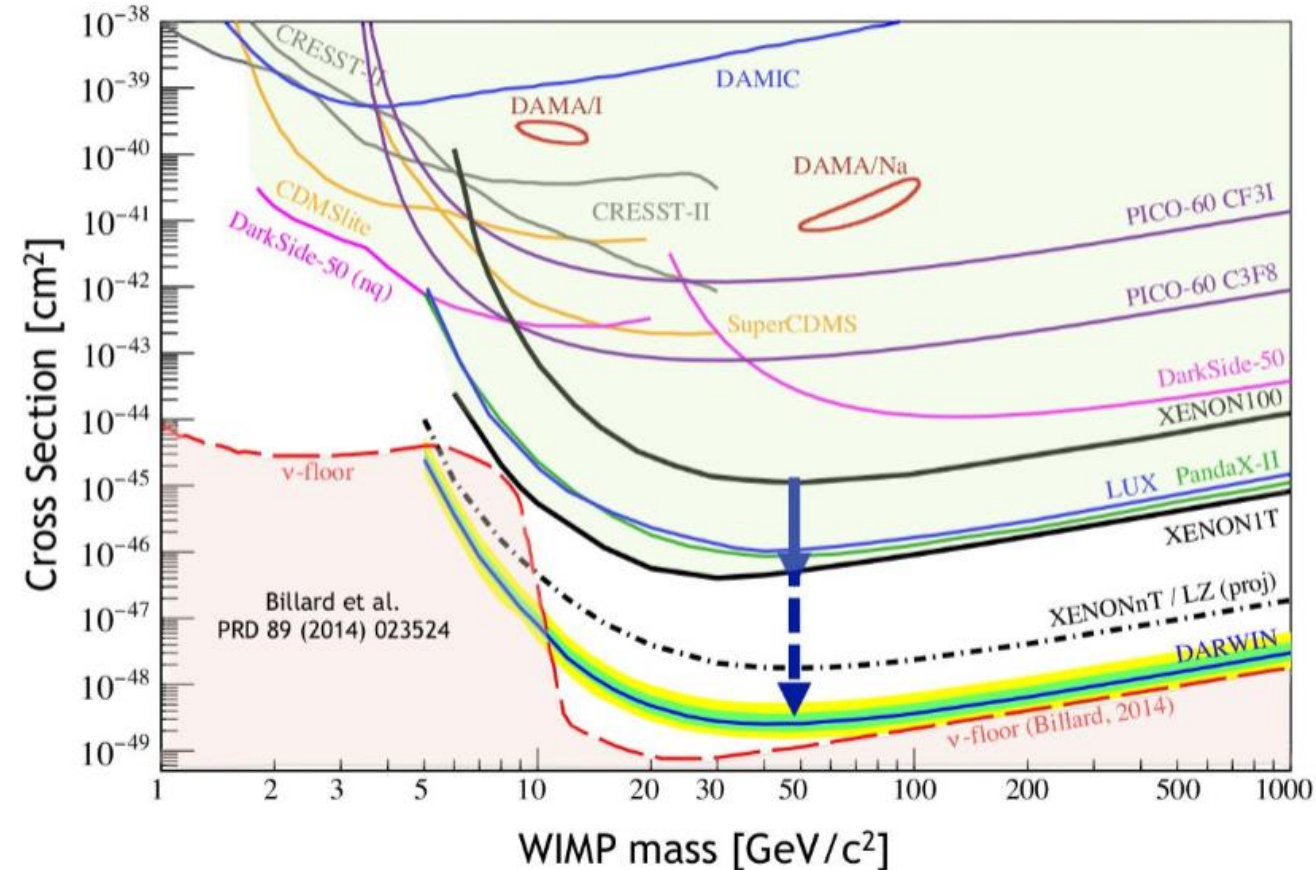


Florian Tönnies, University of Freiburg

Status of direct dark matter WIMP searches

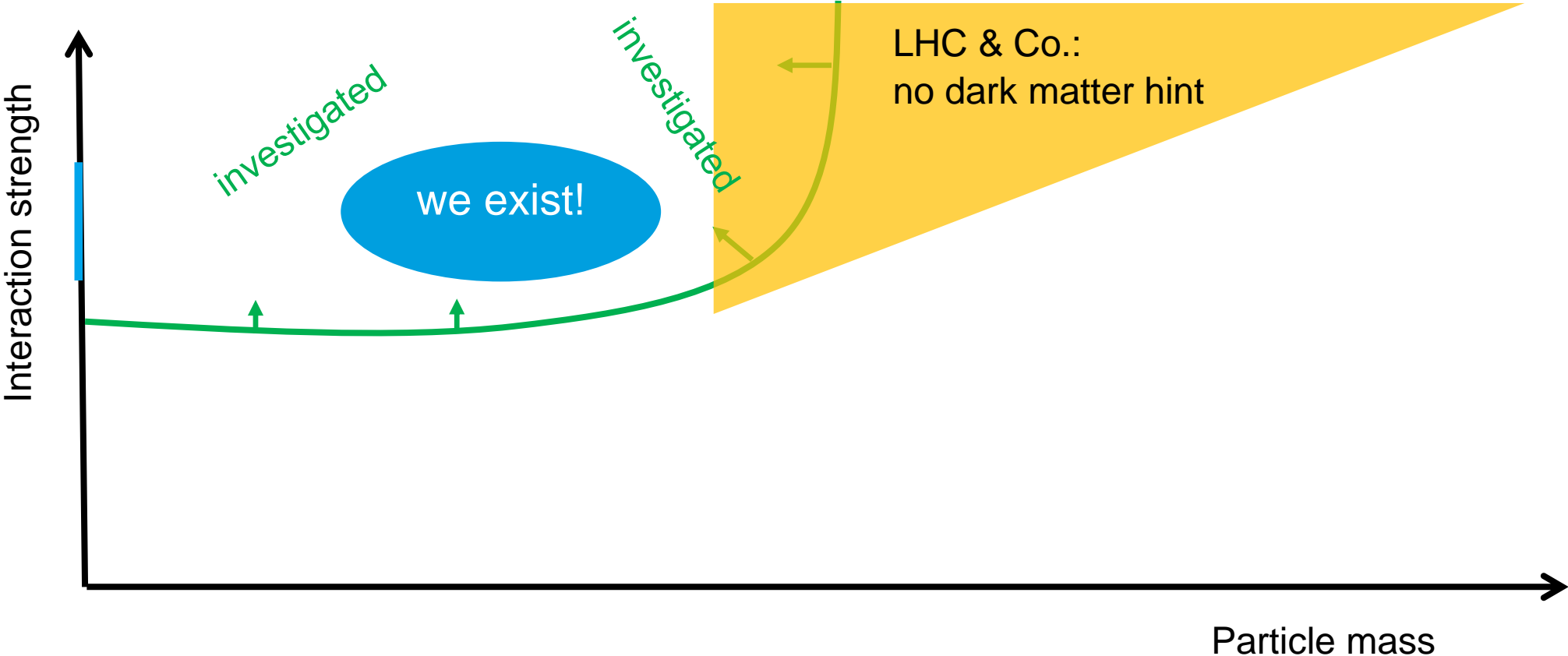
Down to the neutrino floor

- Dark matter WIMP searches have seen fantastic technological improvements in the past decade.
- BUT: No convincing indication for existence of dark matter WIMPs found.
- Next generation of experiments will come close to irreducible background of neutrino interactions.
- **No hint for WIMPy dark matter candidates @ LHC and other colliders.**
- **Are we approaching the final stage of dark matter WIMP searches?**



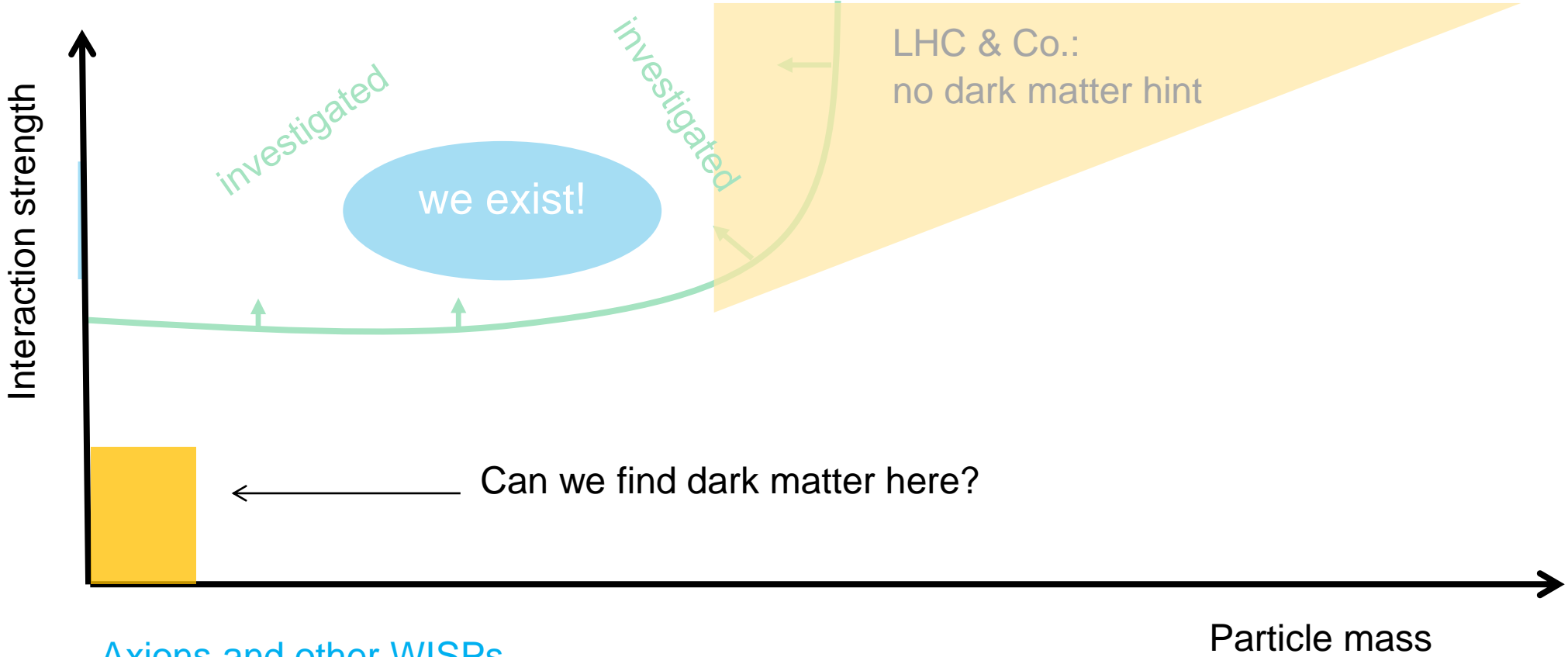
Particle physics at colliders

A very simplified picture



Particle physics beyond colliders

Axions and other Weakly Interacting Slim Particles (WISPs)



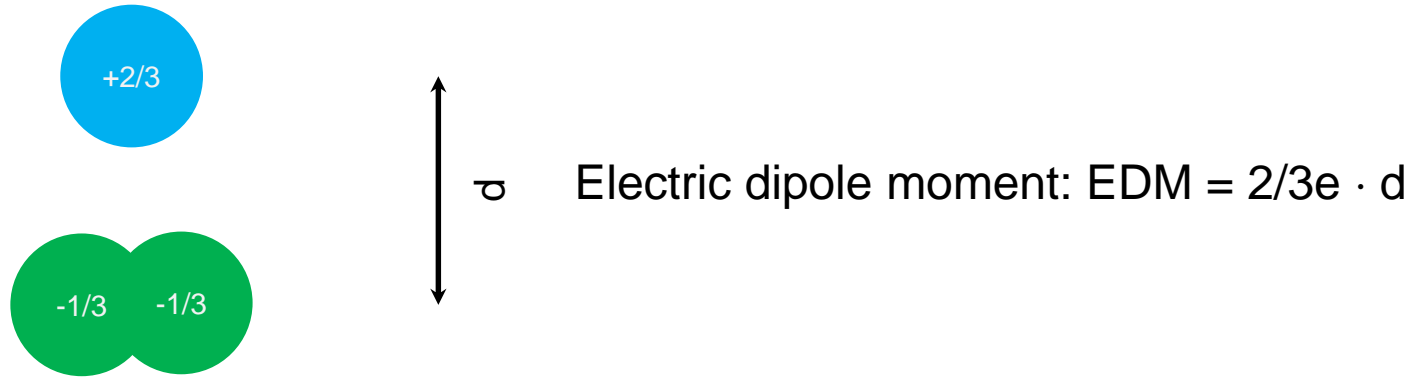
Axions and other WISPs
interact much too weakly to be seen at colliders.

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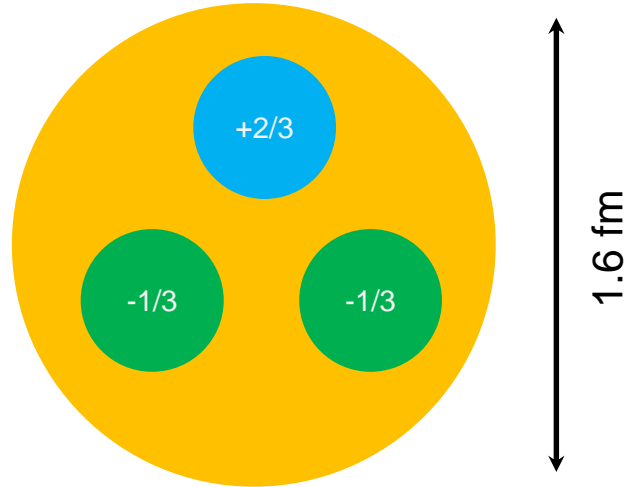
A brief motivation for the axion

an electric dipole



A brief motivation for the axion

Missing: an electric dipole moment of the neutron and a CP violation of QCD

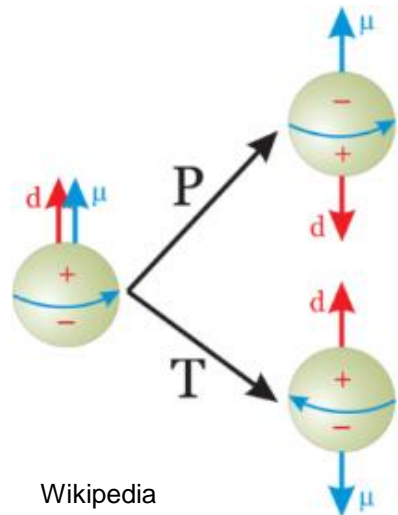


Prediction for the neutron:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{EDM} &= \text{“QCD-factor”} \cdot 2/3e \cdot 0.8\text{fm} = \text{“QCD-factor”} \cdot 5 \cdot 10^{-14} \text{ e}\cdot\text{cm} \\ &= \theta \cdot 2 \cdot 10^{-16} \text{ e}\cdot\text{cm} \end{aligned}$$

Measurement:

$$\text{EDM} < 3 \cdot 10^{-26} \text{ e}\cdot\text{cm} = \text{prediction} / 10^{10}$$



Wikipedia

This is related to a fundamental symmetry of QCD:
any non-vanishing neutron EDM would result in a CP violation.

Why is CP conserved in QCD?

Why does the neutron not show any EDM?

A brief motivation for the axion

The Peccei-Quinn mechanism, Weinberg and Wilczek

Peccei and Quinn proposed a symmetry breaking mechanism in 1977 to explain the vanishing neutron dipole moment.

In 1978 Weinberg and Wilczek independently noticed that this implies the existence of a new pseudo Goldstone boson.

The axion was named after an detergent as it “cleans up” QCD.



A brief motivation for the axion

The Peccei-Quinn mechanism of 1977

Idea: if θ is not a fixed value, but an evolving field, it relaxes to zero by QCD instanton effects.

Peccei-Quinn symmetry:

- Global U(1), complex scalar field.
- Spontaneously broken at very high energies: a massless Goldstone boson should exist.

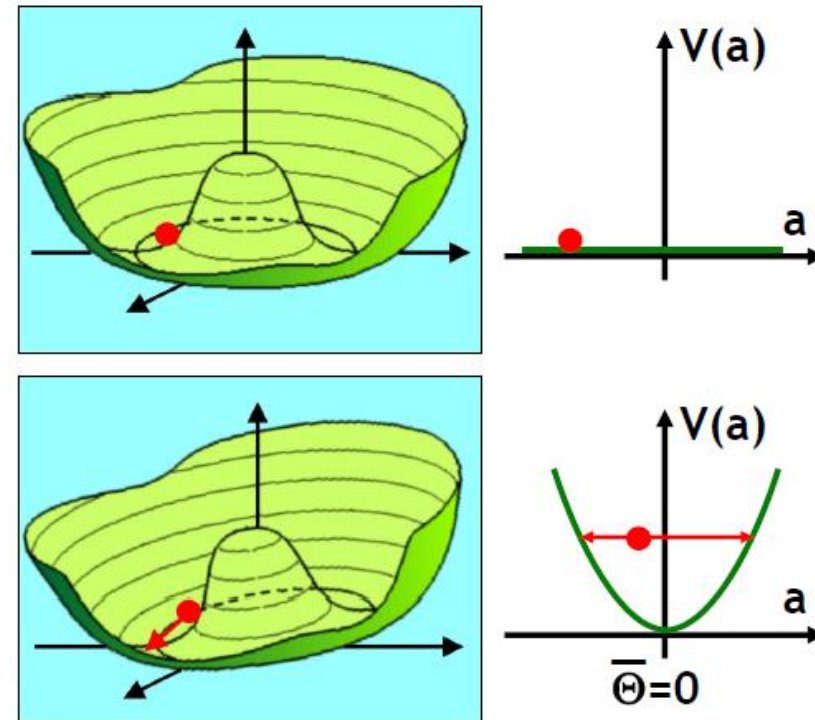
This is the axion.

- QCD instanton effects explicitly break the axion (a) symmetry, so that it becomes inexact at QCD energies.

The axion acquires mass.

If $\theta = 0$ by the Peccei-Quinn mechanism, an **axion should exist!**

And vice versa.



S. Hannestad, presentation at
5th Patras Workshop 2009

Axion properties (2)

Feeble interactions and ideal dark matter candidates

- Mass: $m_a = 0.6 \text{ eV} \cdot (10^7 \text{ GeV} / f_a)$
Couplings $\sim 1/f_a$ (hence $\sim m_a$)

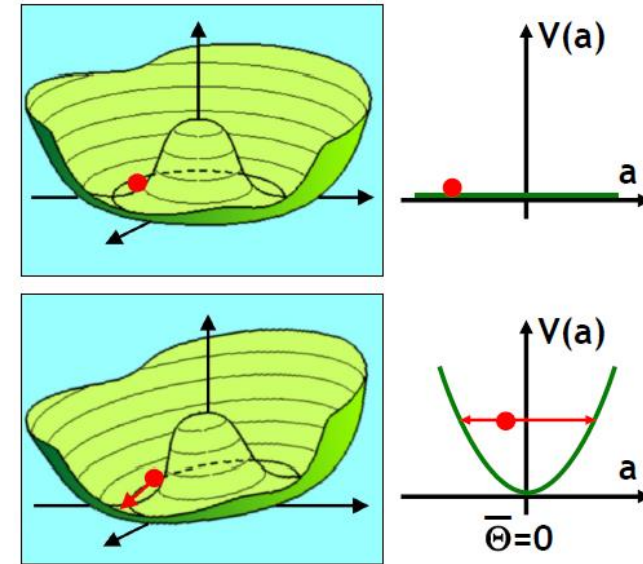
f_a is the energy at which the “Mexican hat” appears.

- The PQ symmetry breaking happened also in the early universe. Thus, axions contribute to dark matter (simplified picture):

$$\Omega_a / \Omega_c \sim (f_a / 10^{12} \text{ GeV})^{7/6} = (6 \mu\text{eV} / m_a)^{7/6}$$

For $f_a \approx 10^{12} \text{ GeV}$ ($10^8 \cdot \text{LHC}$) and m_a around $10 \mu\text{eV}$ the axion could make up all of the dark matter!

Such axions originate from the symmetry breaking and not from any thermal process (like WIMPs). Thus they are very cold, although born in a very hot universe!



Weakly Interacting Slim Particles (WISPs)

More than the axion

There may be a complex hidden sector of sub-eV mass particles:

- Pseudoscalars: axion-like particles (ALPs): couplings $\sim 1/f_a$, mass independent from f_a .
- Vector bosons: hidden photons
- Scalars: dilaton fields
- Minicharged particles

Such particles are expected in theories of quantum gravity (lot's of global symmetry breakings).

In general WISPs with masses below 1eV are dark matter candidates

- if they are bosonic,
- if they are of non-thermal origin.

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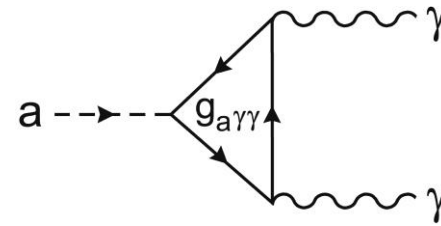
In the following I will not distinguish anymore between the QCD-axion and ALPs, but use both as synonyms.

Unless stated otherwise.

ALP – photon couplings

Exploited by most experiments for lightweight ALPs / axions

Axion decay to two photons



Energy scale to produce axions in measurable quantities at colliders.

$$\Gamma_{A \rightarrow \gamma\gamma} = \frac{G_{A\gamma\gamma}^2 m_A^3}{64 \pi} = 1.1 \times 10^{-24} \text{ s}^{-1} \left(\frac{m_A}{\text{eV}} \right)^5$$

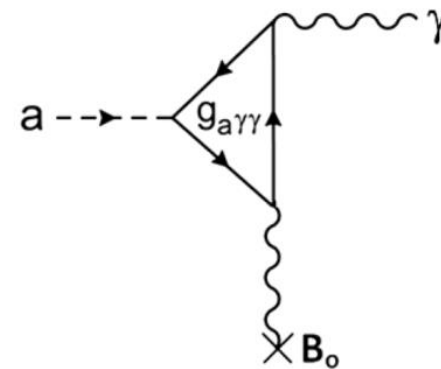
$$m_A = \frac{z^{1/2}}{1+z} \frac{f_\pi m_\pi}{f_A} = \frac{0.60 \text{ meV}}{f_A / 10^{10} \text{ GeV}}$$

m_A [eV]	τ [T_{universe}]	f_A [LHC units]
1	10^6	10^2
0.00001	10^{31}	10^8

ALP – photon coupling

Axion photon mixings

... to axion-photon conversion in magnetic fields
(Sikivie conversion)



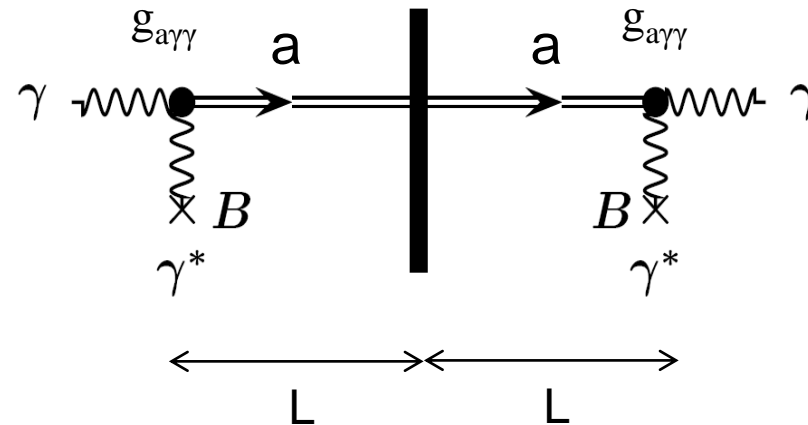
and light-shining-through-walls.

$$P(\gamma \rightarrow a \rightarrow \gamma)$$

$$= 6 \cdot 10^{-38} \cdot (g_{a\gamma\gamma} [10^{-10} \text{GeV}^{-1}] \cdot B [1 \text{T}] \cdot L [10 \text{m}])^4$$

$$= 10^{-33} \text{ (ALPS II at DESY)}$$

increased to 10^{-27} (ALPS II at DESY with some tricks)



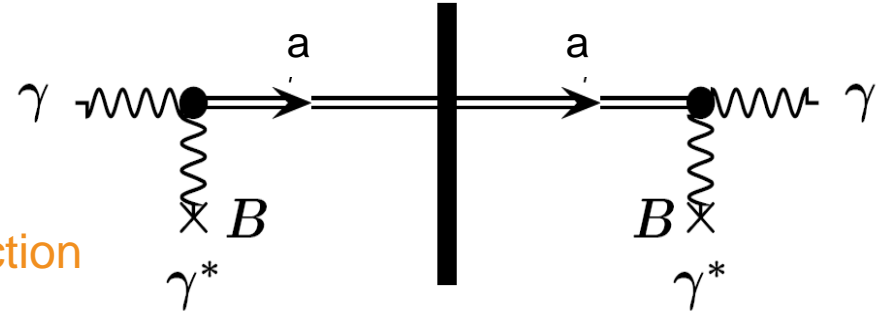
How to look: three kinds of light-shining-through-walls

Axion/ALP photon mixing in magnetic fields

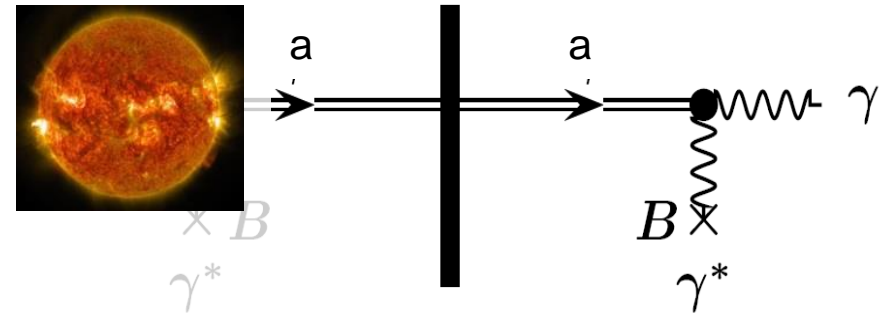
- Purely laboratory experiments
“light-shining-through-walls”,
microwaves, optical photons
- Helioscopes
ALPs emitted by the sun,
X-rays
- Haloscopes
looking for dark matter constituents,
microwaves.

Target sensitivity

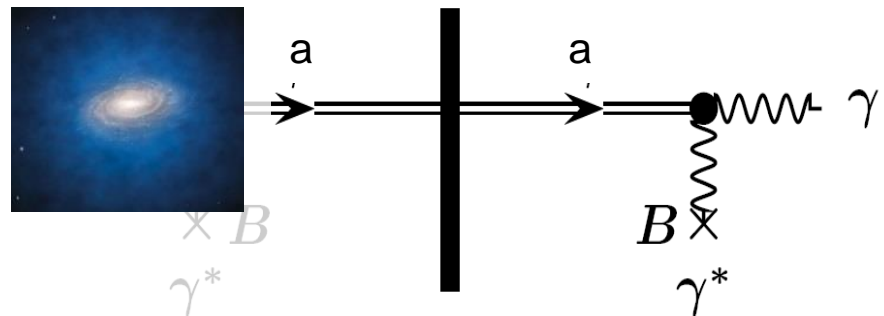
1 photon/day
exploit resonant detection



1 photon/year

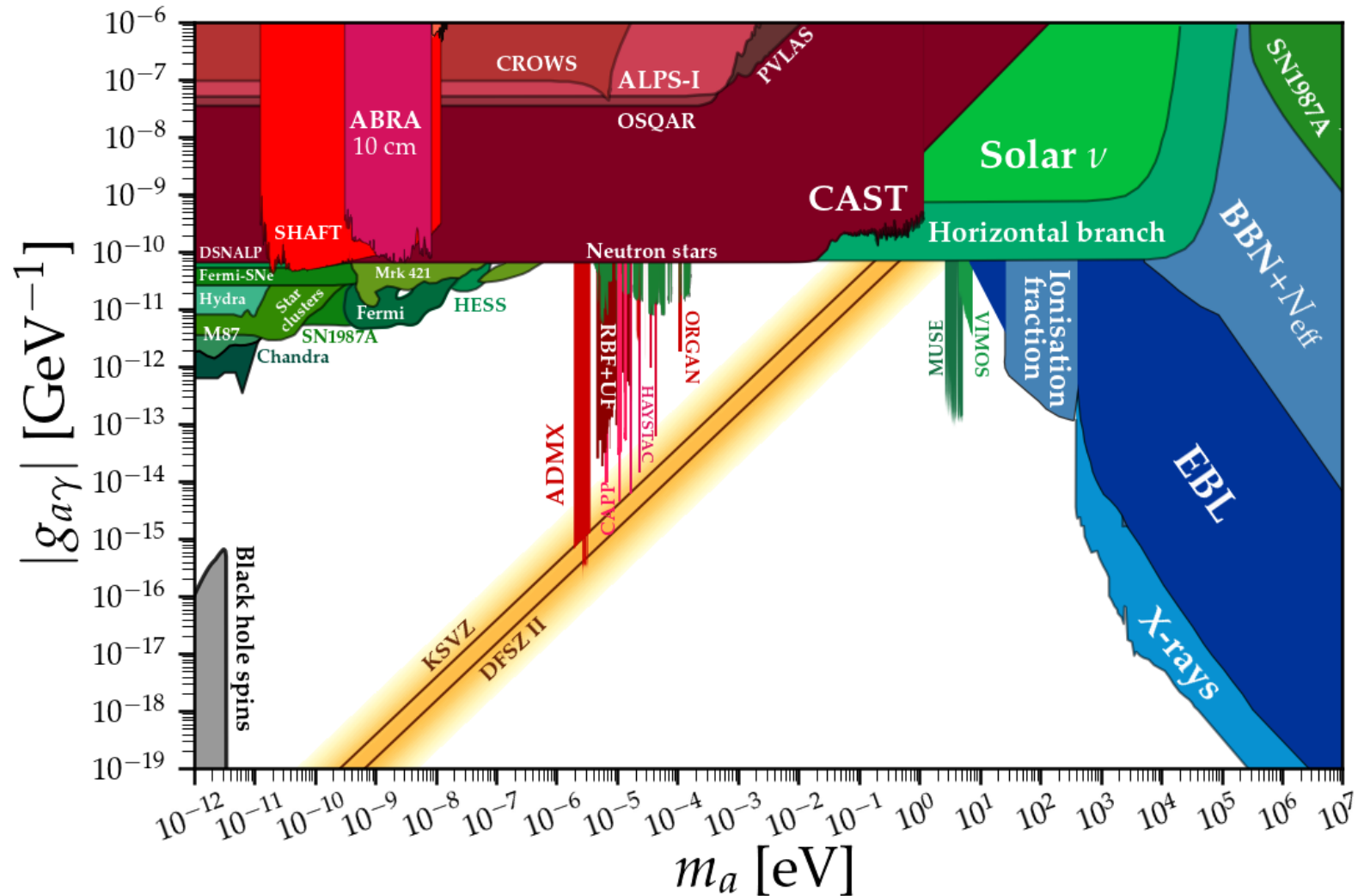


10^{-23} W
exploit resonant detection



The axion landscape

Making them visible



Ciaran O'Hare,

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

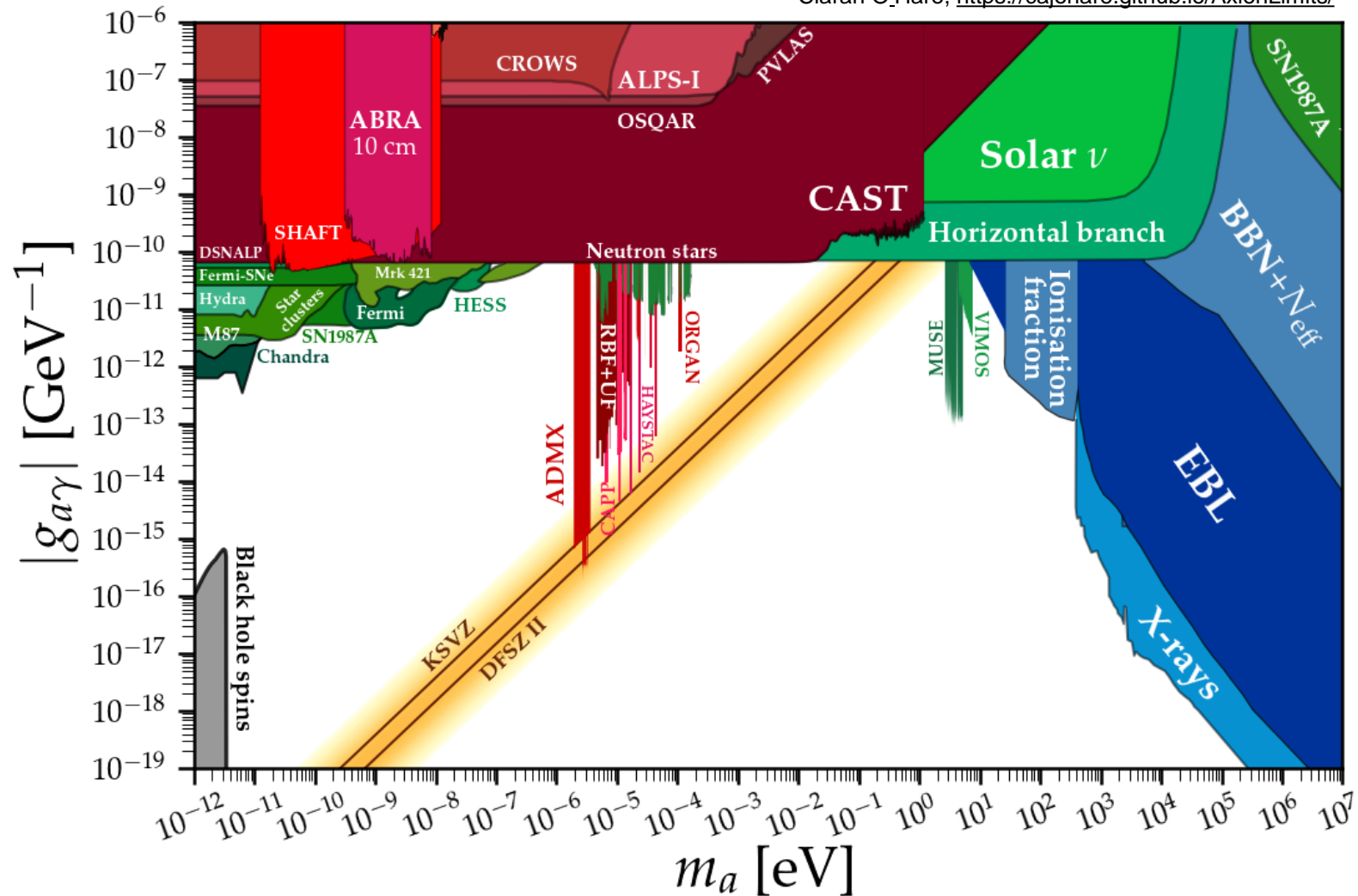
Many orders of magnitude in mass and coupling strength to be probed by different experiments:

- On earth
- Astrophysics
- Cosmology
- Gravitational waves

Axion searches

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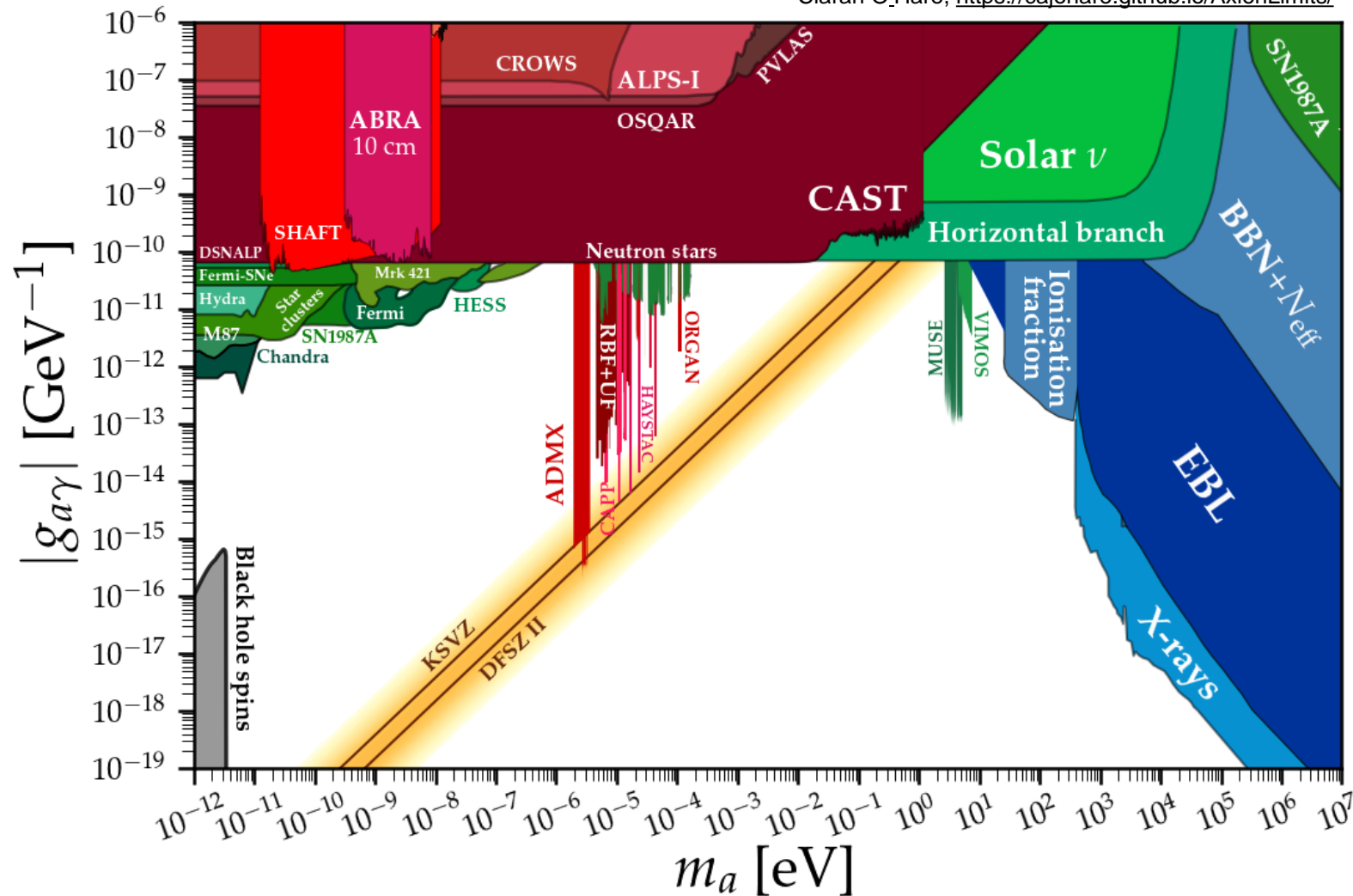


- On earth
- Astrophysics
- Cosmology
 - Looking for signatures of dark matter axions.
- Gravitational waves
 - Superradiance: axions might extract energy from spinning black holes.

Axion searches

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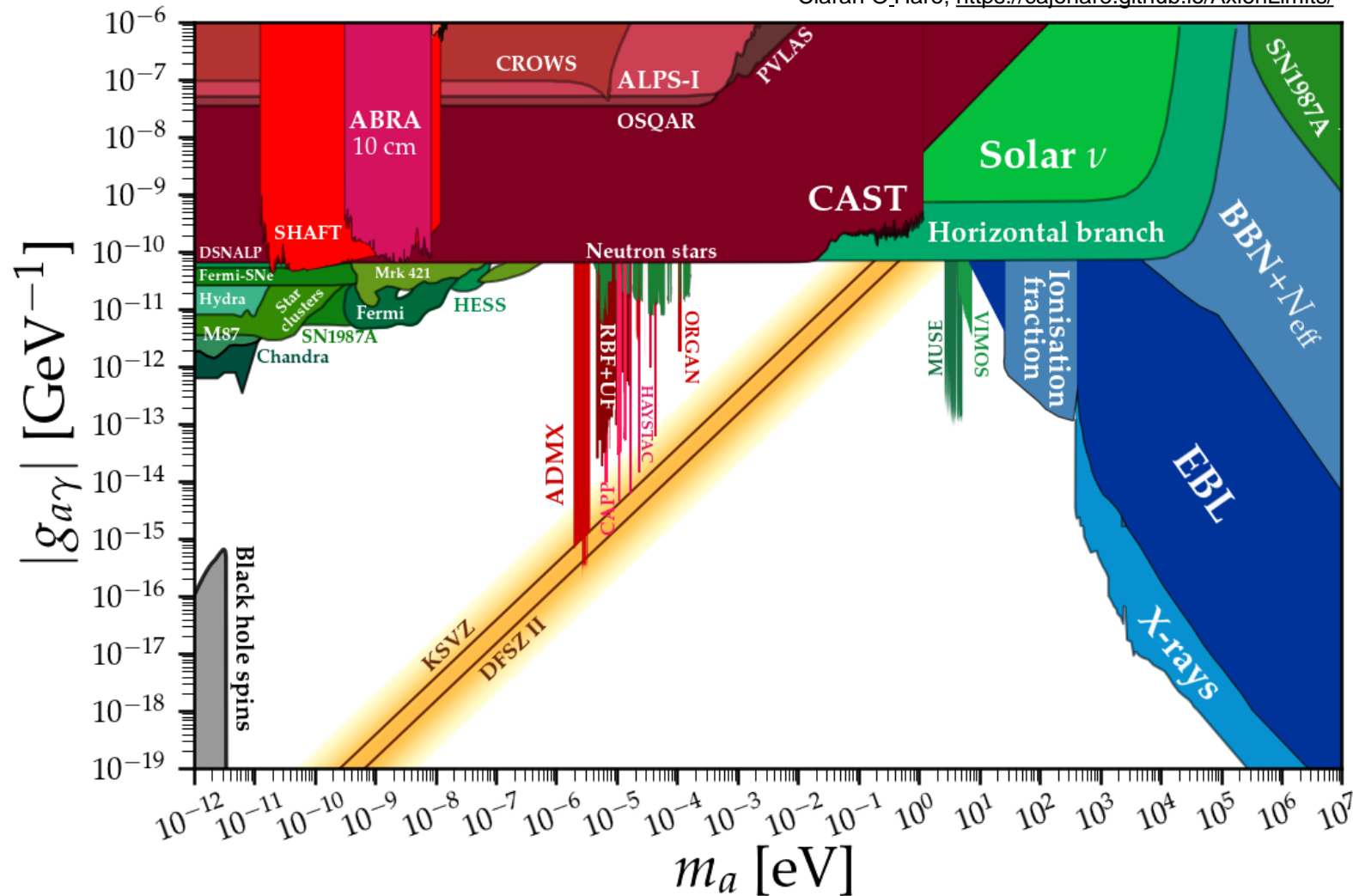


- On earth
- Astrophysics
 - General: Axions as very light particles might be generated in today's universe.
- Cosmology
- Gravitational waves

Axion searches

Making them visible

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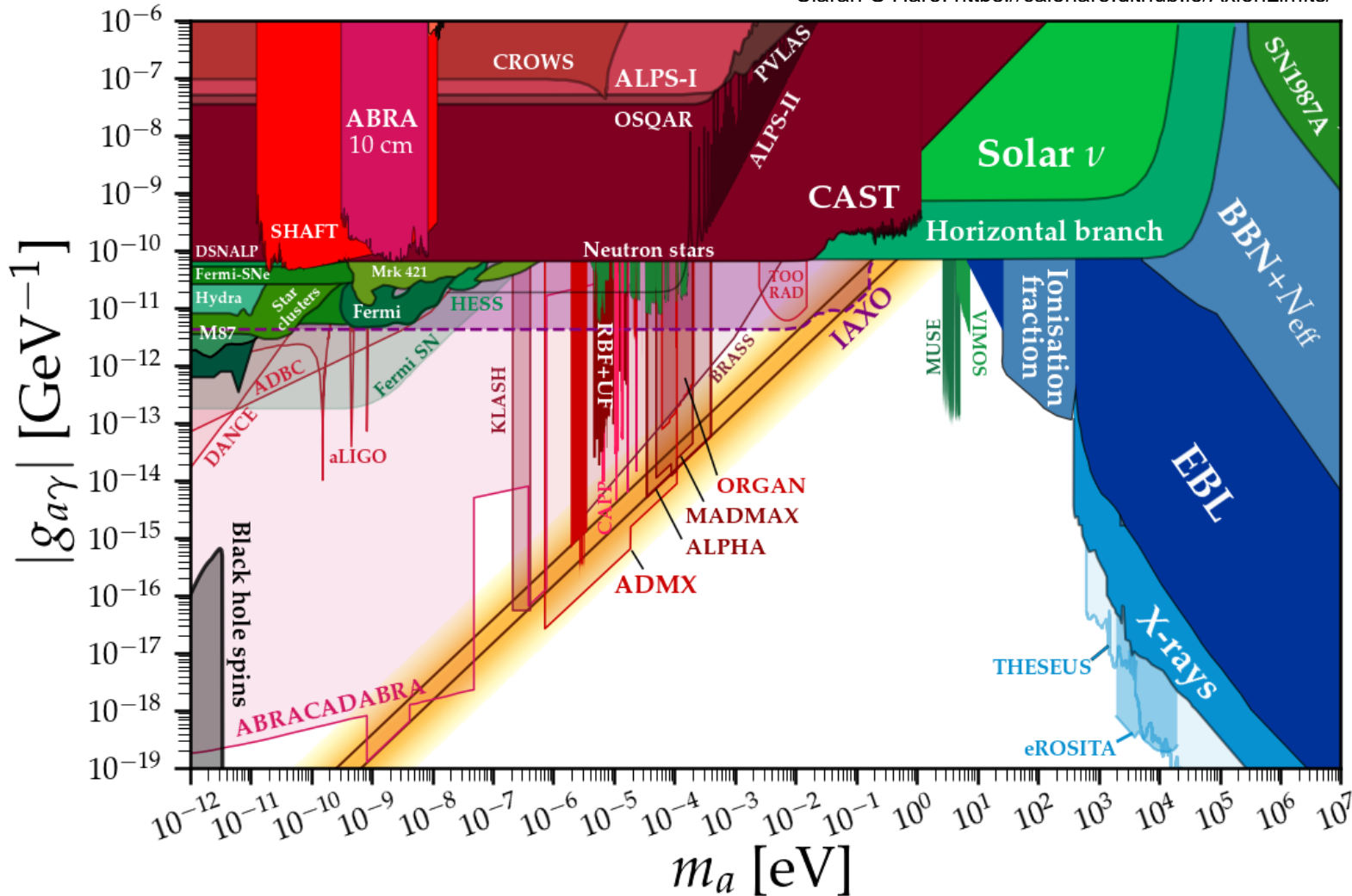


- On earth
 - Direct detection of dark matter axions.
 - Direct detection of solar axions.
 - Purely laboratory-based experiments.
- Astrophysics
- Cosmology
- Gravitational waves

Axion searches

Making them visible at future experiments

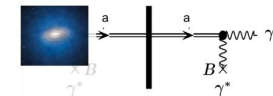
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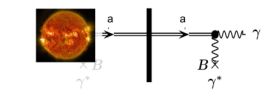
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Experiments at DESY:

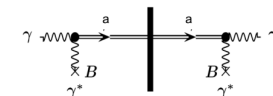
- MADMAX



- IAXO



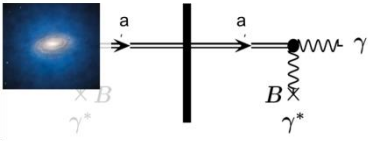
- ALPS II



Search strategies

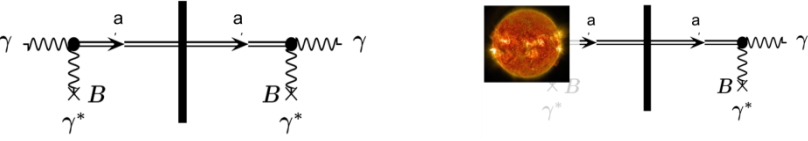
For axions and other WISPs

1. Look for axions as the constituents of the local dark matter.



Dark matter converts to light!
MADMAX @ DESY, skipped here

2. Look for axions independent of the dark matter paradigm.

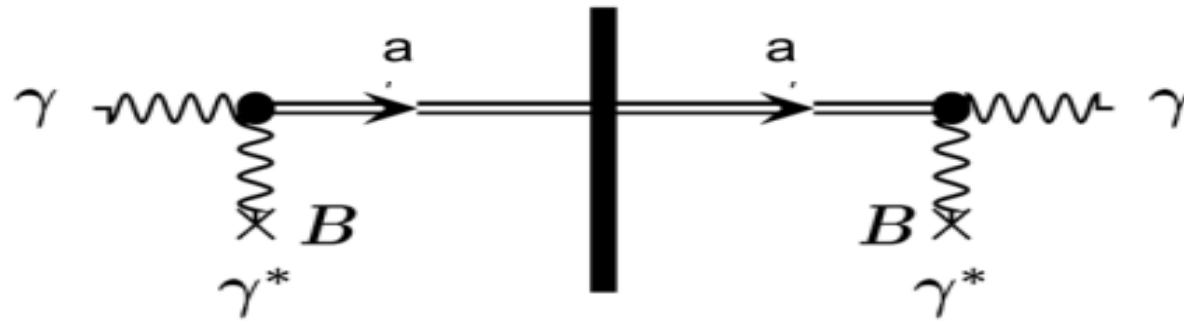


Dark matter particles traverse every shielding!
ALPS II @ DESY,
BabyIAXO @ DESY, skipped here.

3. Look for an axion-mediated 5th force
(not covered here).

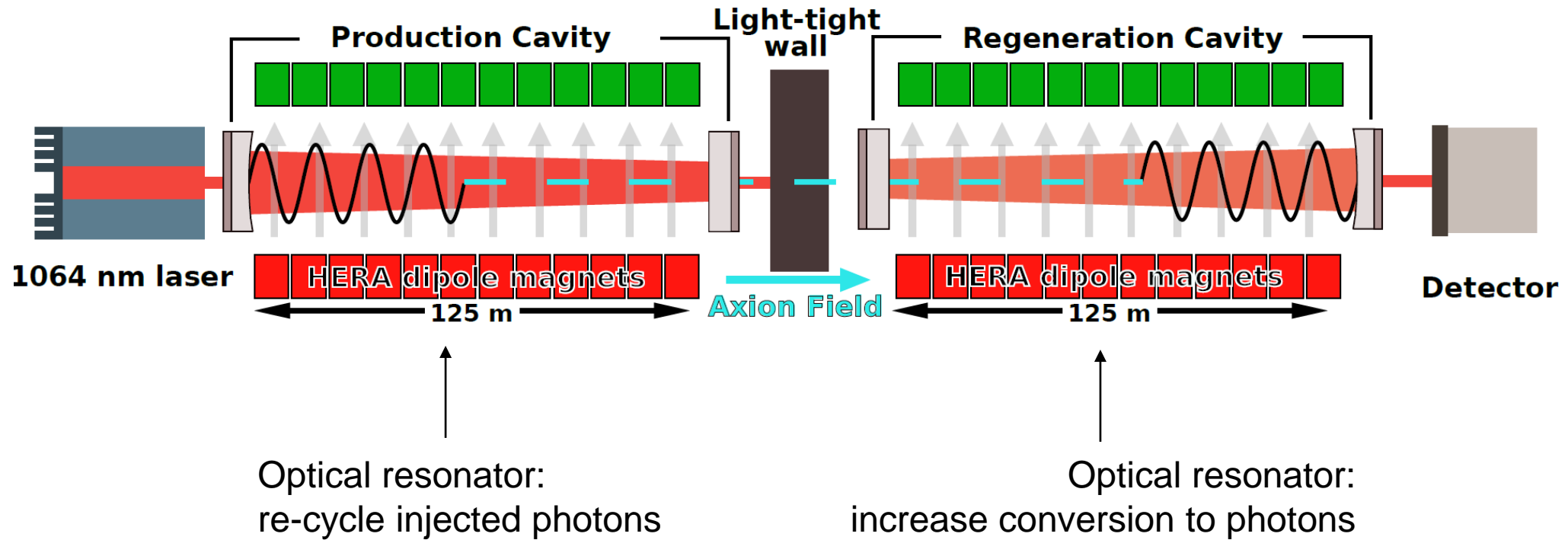
Any Light Particle Search ALPS II

Model independent search: light-shining-through-walls



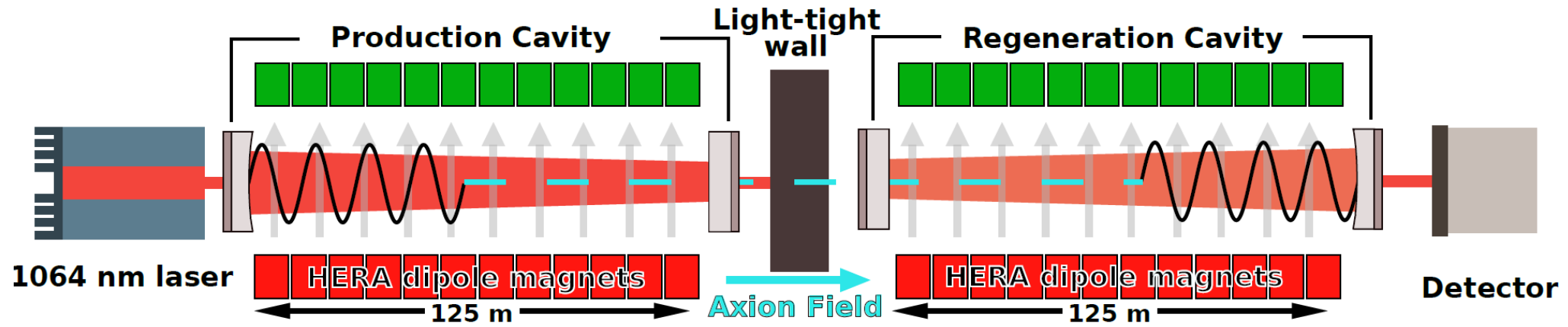
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Model independent search: light-shining-through-walls



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$$= 8 \cdot 10^{-26}$$

5,000
16,000
0.2
5.3
10.56

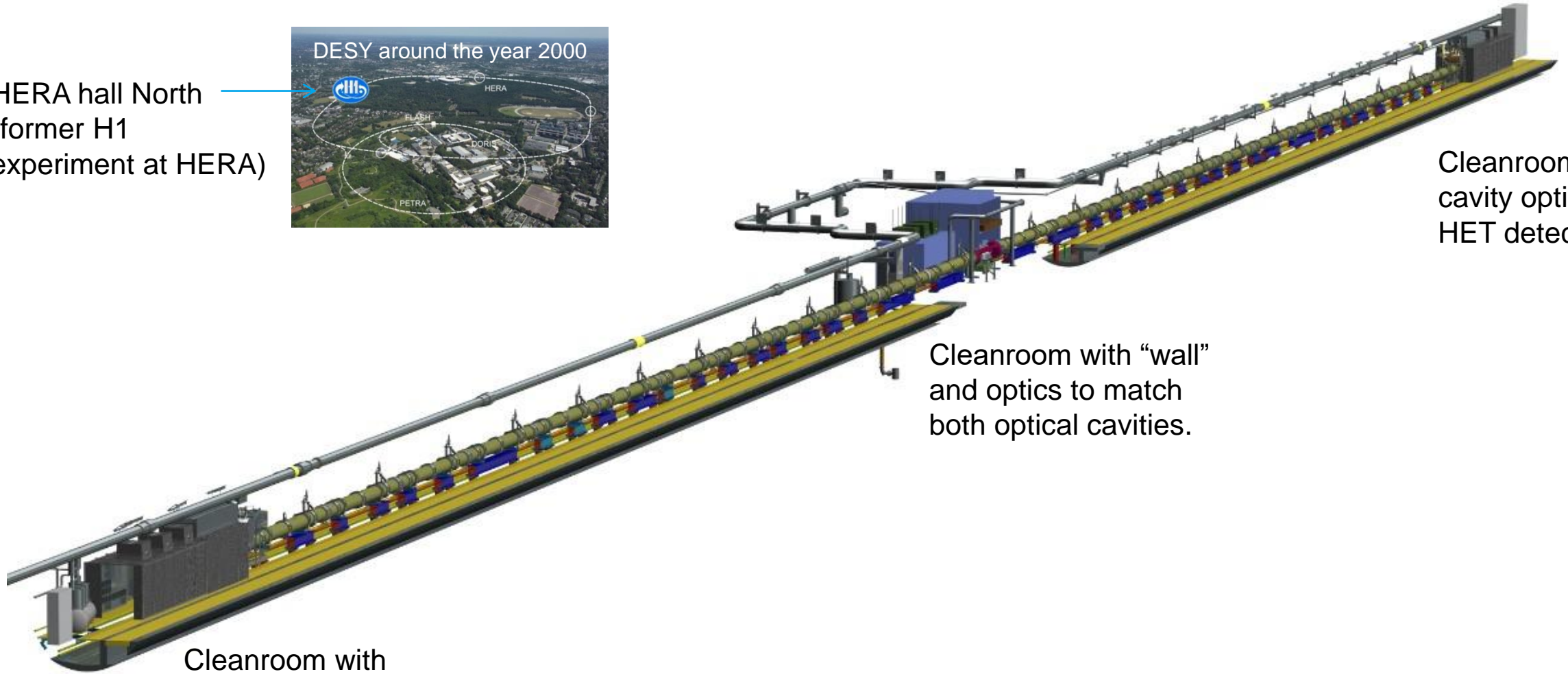
30 W cw laser at 1064 nm: $1.2 \cdot 10^5$ photon/s ($2 \cdot 10^{-24}$ W).

astrophysics
ALP motivation

ALPS II in the HERA tunnel

250m installation in a straight HERA section

HERA hall North
(former H1
experiment at HERA)



Cleanroom with
high power laser.

Cleanroom with “wall”
and optics to match
both optical cavities.

Cleanroom with
cavity optics and
HET detection.

Any Light Particle Search ALPS II

Collaboration



ALPS II main contributions				
Partner	Magnets	Optics	Detectors	Infrastructure
DESY	X	X	X	X
AEI Hannover		X		
U. Cardiff		X		
U. Florida		X	X	X
U. Mainz			X	



Significant funding from



HEISING-SIMONS
FOUNDATION

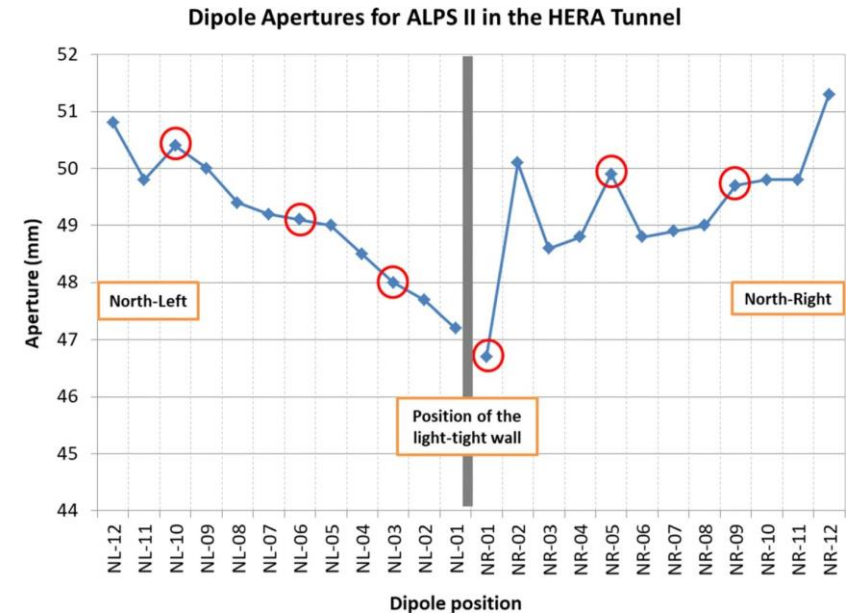
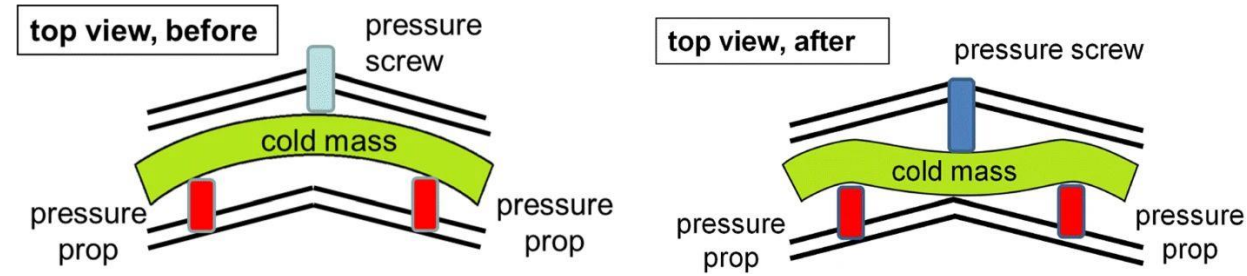
Strong support by PTB, TU Berlin, Magnicon, NIST for detector development.

ALPS II: dipole magnets

Re-using superconducting HERA dipoles

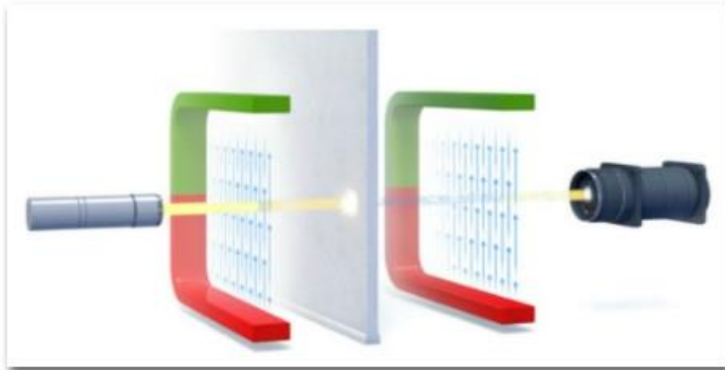
- 12+12 superconducting dipoles from HERA, each 5.3 T on 8.8 m.
- Straightened to achieve ≈ 50 mm aperture from 35 mm (600 m bending radius).
- 26 magnets modified and tested successfully (out of 27).
- All magnets are installed and aligned.

”Straightening of superconducting HERA dipoles for the any-light-particle-search experiment ALPS II“,
C. Albrecht *et al.*, *EPJ Techn Instrum* 8, 5 (2021).



ALPS II in the HERA North area

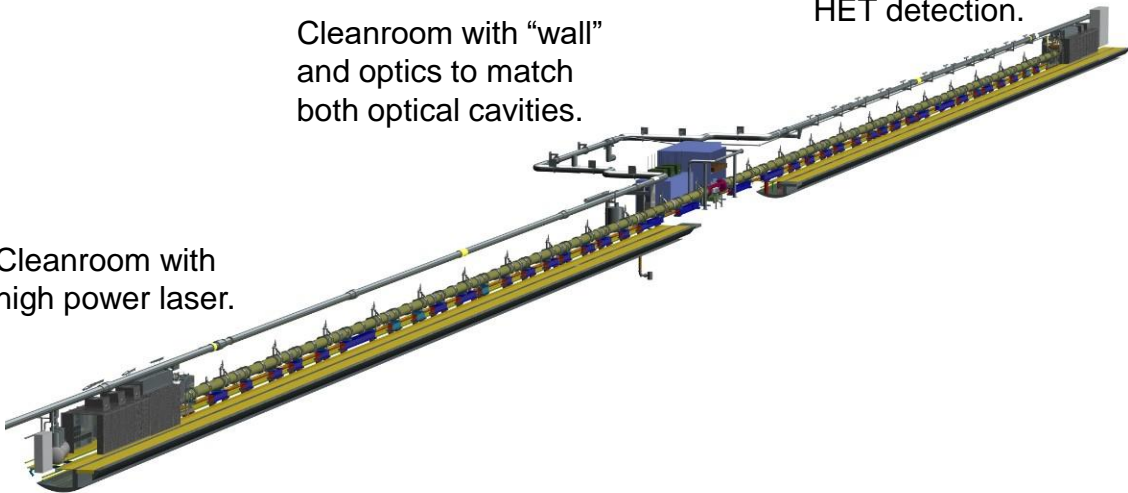
Installation nearly completed



Cleanroom with "wall" and optics to match both optical cavities.

Cleanroom with cavity optics and HET detection.

Cleanroom with high power laser.



Ambition:

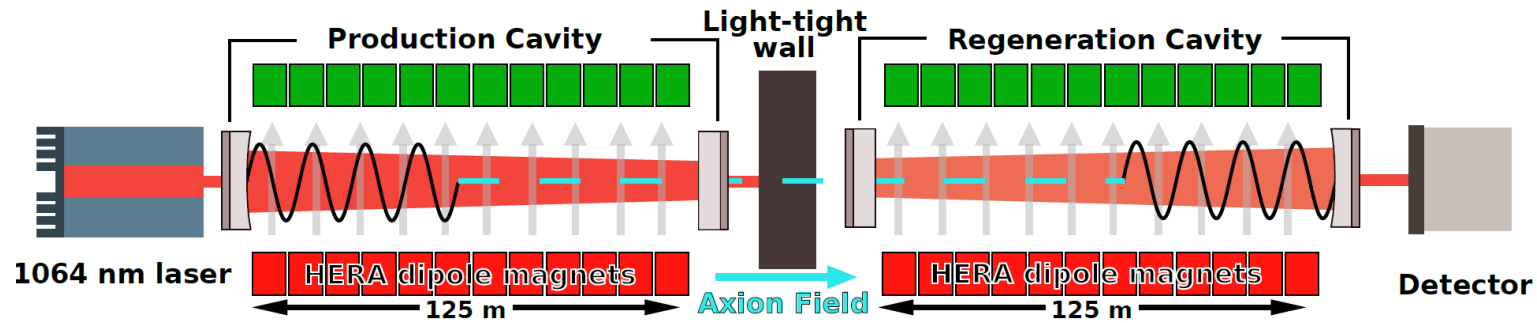
Improve the ratio signal/noise compared to previous experiments by a factor 10^{12} .
The largest sensitivity jump ever?

And, of course: find the axion.

ALPS II: optics

Adapting technologies from aLIGO, GEO 600

“Design of the ALPS II Optical System”, arXiv:2009.14294 [physics.optics]

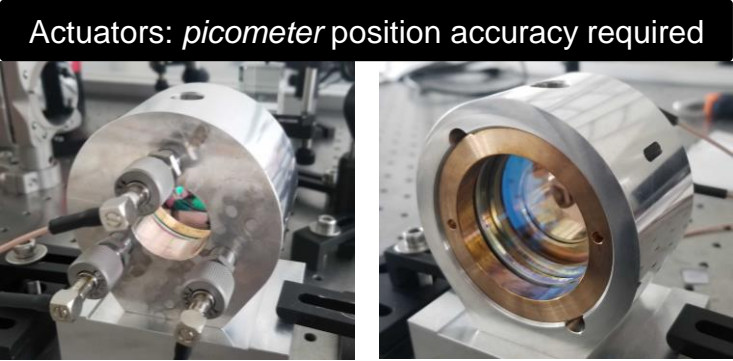


- Mode-matched optical resonators before (“PC”) and behind (“RC”) the wall.
- Relative angle between PC and RC less than $0.5 \mu\text{rad}$.
- Each 124 m long, need to compensate seismic noise.
- Circulating power PC: 150 kW.
- Power built-up RC: 16,000 (aim for 40,000 later).
- PC and RC relative length stabilized to pm accuracy.
- Light-tightness PC to RC: less than 10^{-30} .

Light storage time: 5.4 ms
(2 x world-record;
aLIGO 1.0 ms)

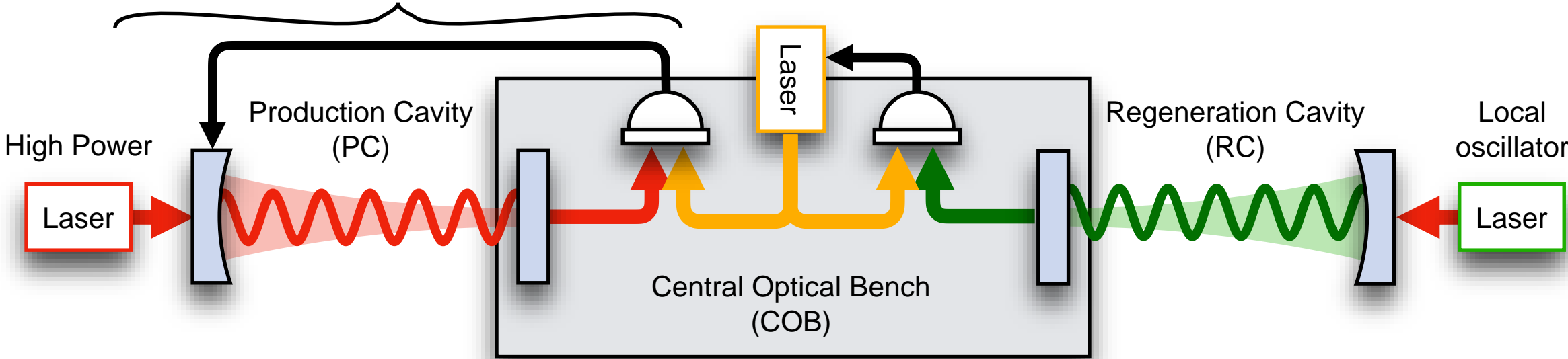
Optics challenges

Example: dual resonance; field in PC resonant in RC



Phase lock between PC transmitted light and reference laser

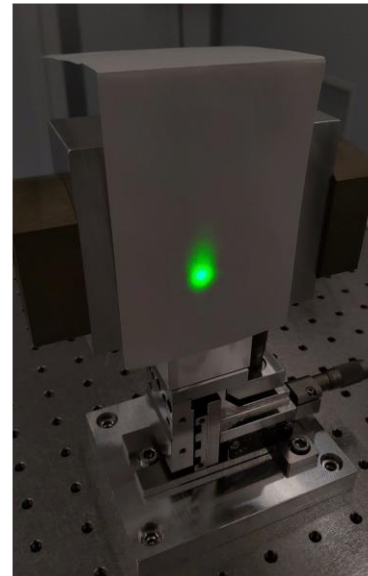
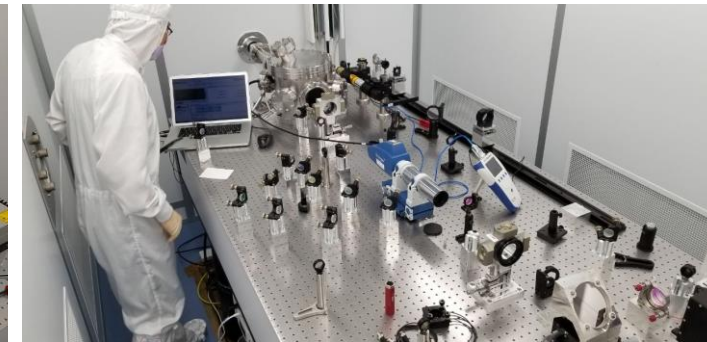
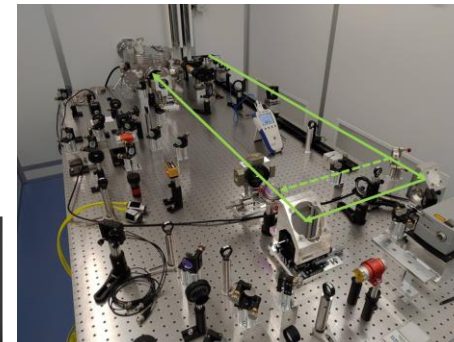
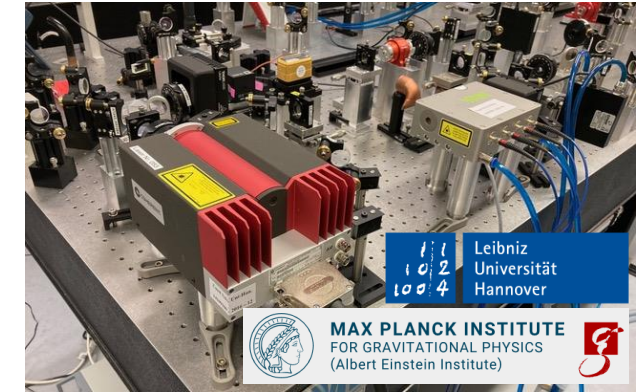
Additional reference laser coupled to RC length



Optics status

From R&D to installation

- R&D started 2012 in a dedicated laserlab at DESY as well as at AEI Hanover and (a bit later) at University of Florida.
- March 2021: installation of optics at ALPS II started.
- April 2021: Initial alignment laser through the magnet string.
- May 2021: infrared laser through the magnet string.

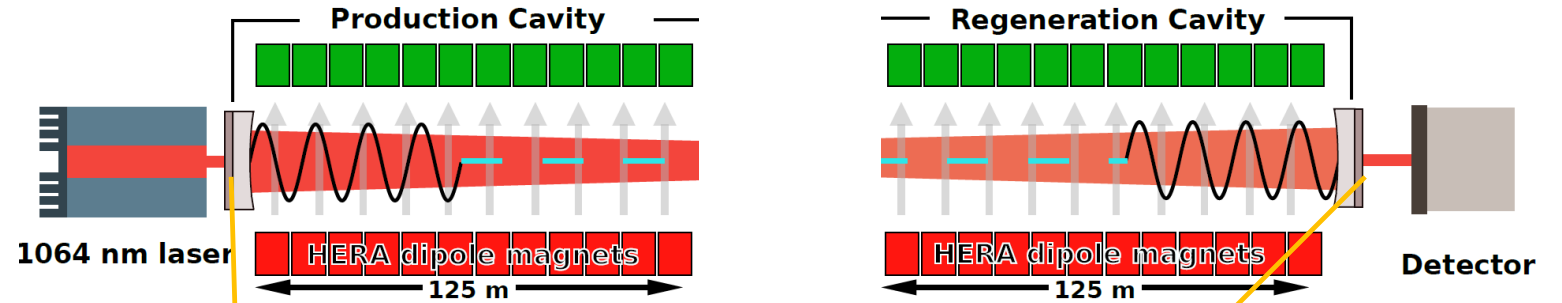


50 mm aperture on 250 m length!

Optics status

First cavity lock!

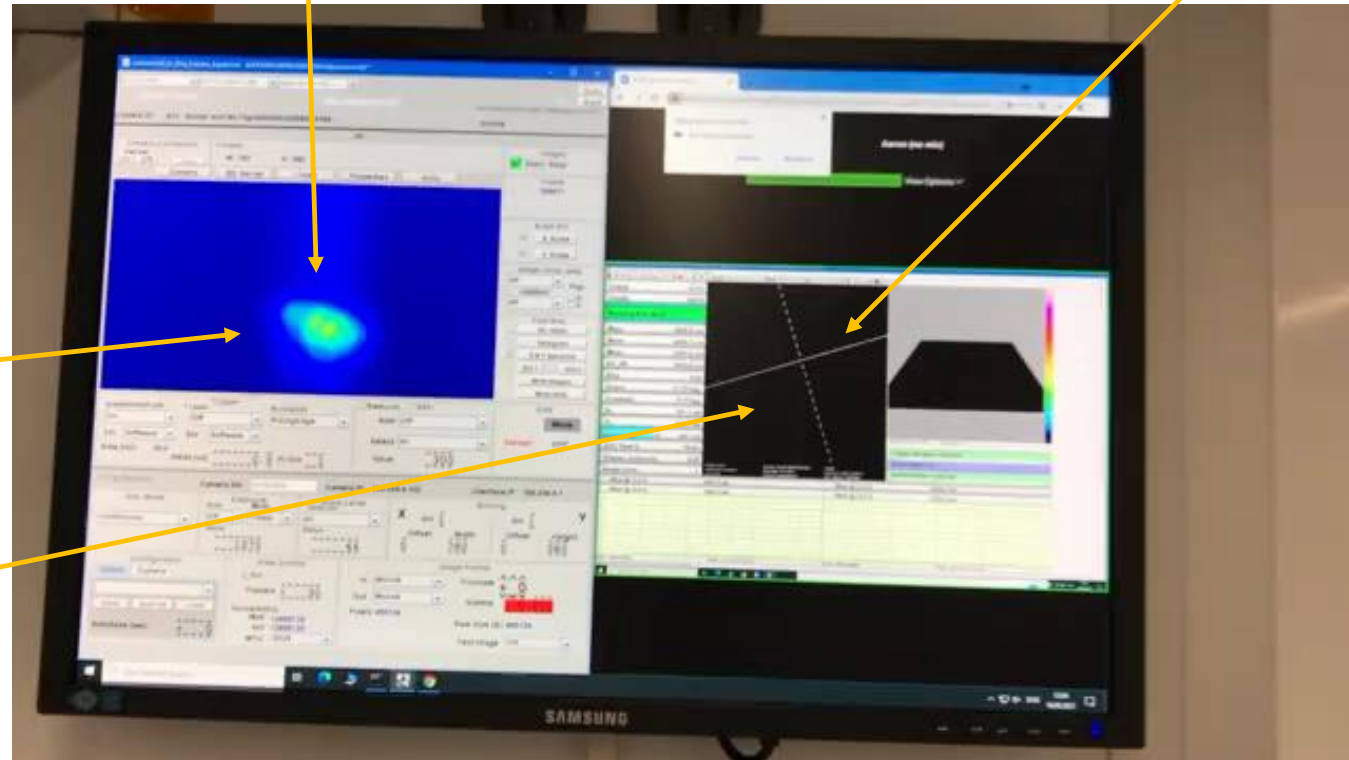
- Start with 250 m cavity to understand seismic noise and check aperture constrains.



- 21 June 2021:
Robust cavity “lock”!

Reflection of
in-coupling mirror.

Transmission of
cavity end mirror



A glimps into a PhD thesis at ALPS II

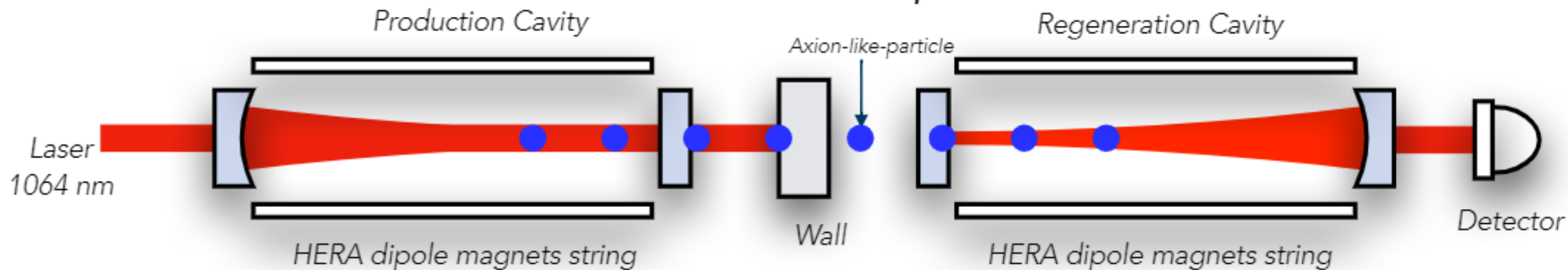
Detecting one infrared photon per day

Optimizing a Transition Edge Sensor detector system for low flux infrared photon measurements at the ALPS II experiment

José Alejandro Rubiera Gimeno

ALPS II

Schematic of the ALPS II experiment



$$P_{\gamma \rightarrow \phi \rightarrow \gamma} = \frac{1}{16} \cdot \mathcal{F}_{PC} \mathcal{F}_{RC} \cdot (g_{a\gamma\gamma} B l)^4 = 6 \cdot 10^{-38} \cdot \mathcal{F}_{PC} \mathcal{F}_{RC} \cdot \left(\frac{g_{a\gamma\gamma}}{10^{-10} \text{GeV}^{-1}} \frac{B}{1 \text{T}} \frac{l}{10 \text{m}} \right)^4$$

\downarrow
 $P_{\gamma \rightarrow \phi \rightarrow \gamma} = 8 * 10^{-26}$

5000 16000 0.2 5.3 105.6

PC: 30 W → RC: $2 * 10^{-24}$ W
 $\sim 2 * 10^{-5}$ Hz \approx 2 photons per day



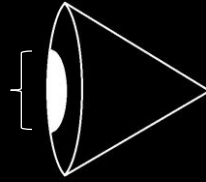
800 *lm*

23% of power
converted to light

$$2.3 \text{ W} \rightarrow 6.24 * 10^{18} \gamma/s$$

Narrow pupil
2 *mm* diameter

$$4.8 * 10^{12} \gamma/s$$



1 *m*



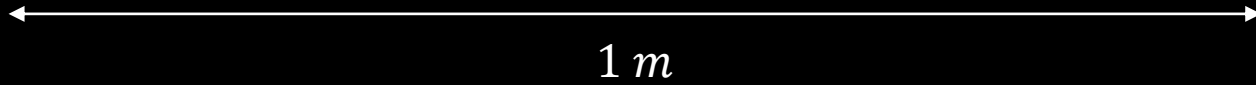
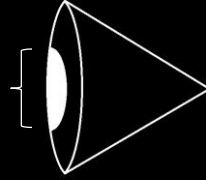
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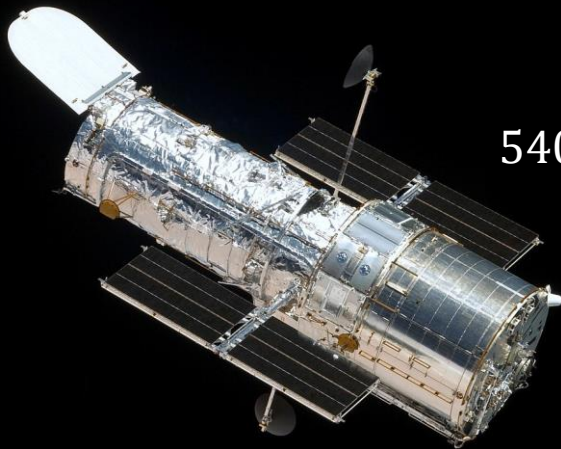
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1 *m*

$$1 \gamma/s \longrightarrow 2.19 \times 10^3 \text{ km}$$



540 *km*



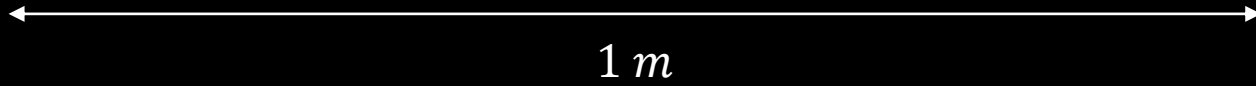
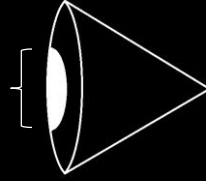
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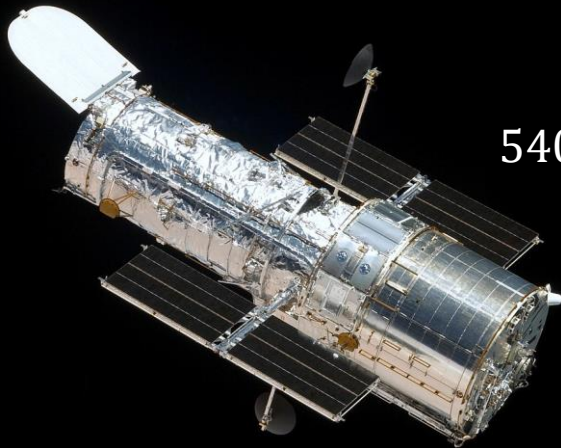
$$4.8 \times 10^{12} \gamma/s$$



1 *m*

$$1 \gamma/s \longrightarrow 2.19 \times 10^3 \text{ km}$$

$$10^{-5} \gamma/s \longrightarrow 6.92 \times 10^5 \text{ km}$$

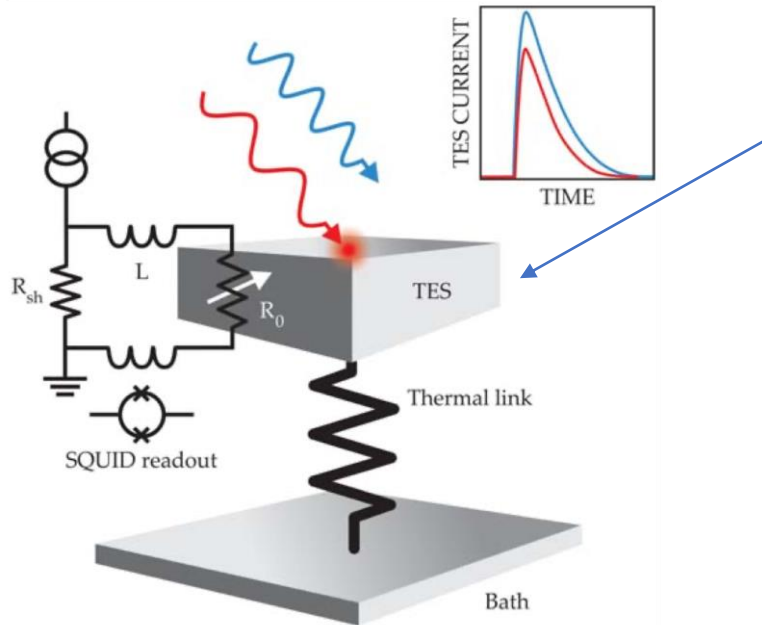


540 *km*



$3.84 \times 10^5 \text{ km}$

Transition Edge Sensor (TES)



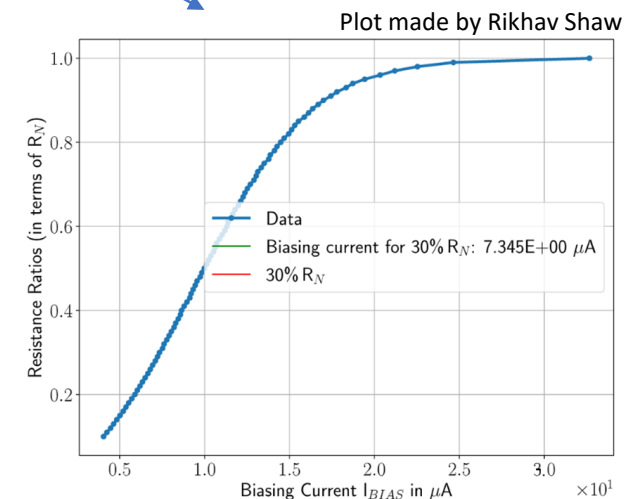
Tungsten microchip at critical transition region ($\sim 140 \text{ mK}$)

Temperature increase: Single photon ($1064 \text{ nm} \approx 1.16 \text{ eV}$) heats TES by $\sim 100 \mu\text{K}$

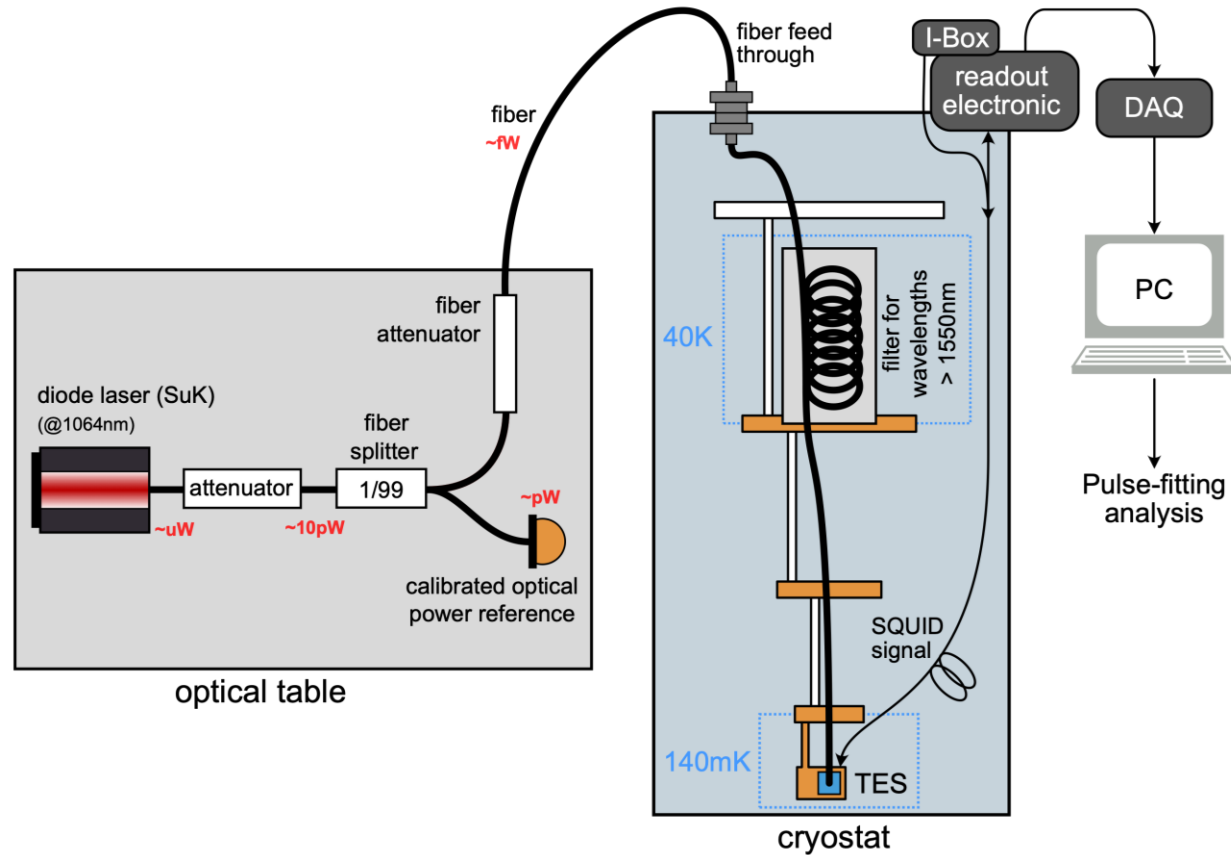
$\sim 6.6 \Omega$ resistance increase: from superconducting to normal conducting

Current change (voltage-biased circuit): TES current measured by SQUID (superconducting quantum interference device)

Readout electronics in the lab at room temperature

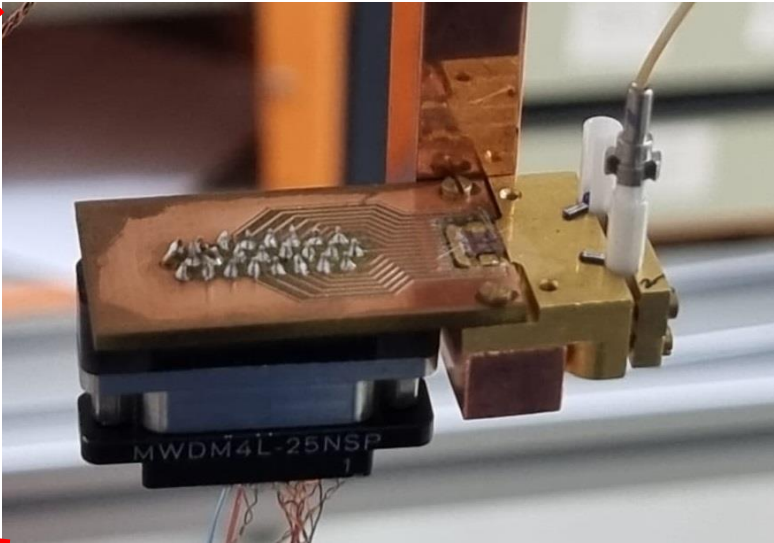
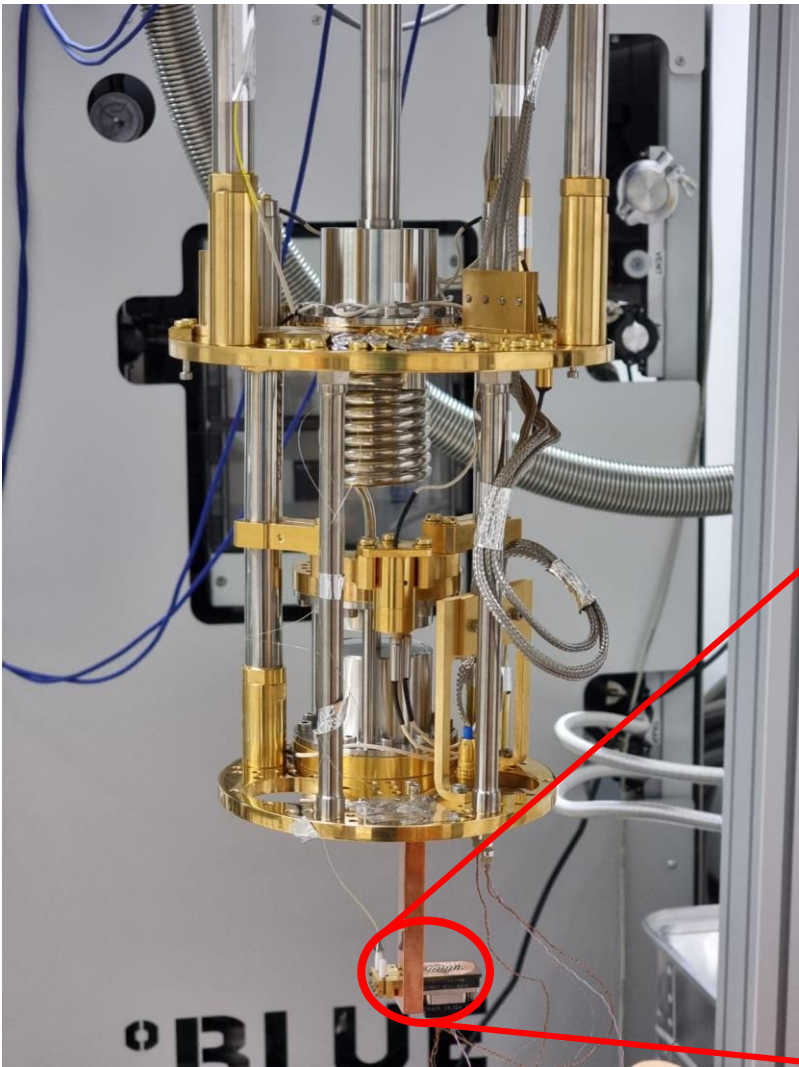
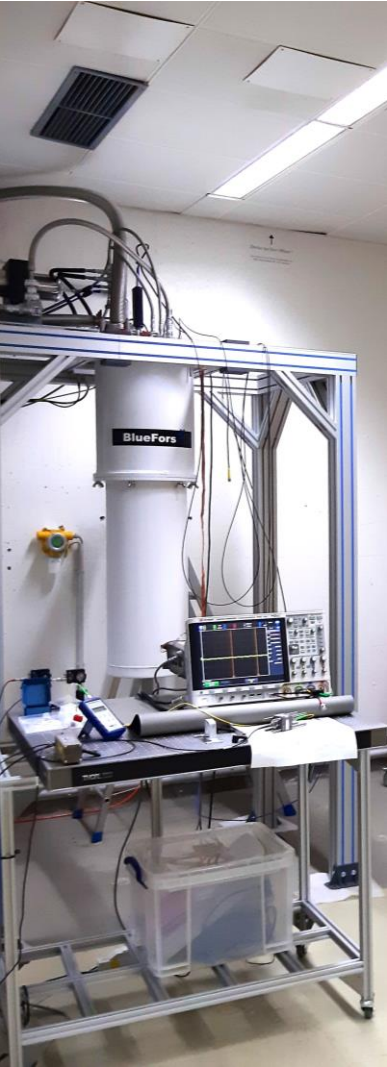


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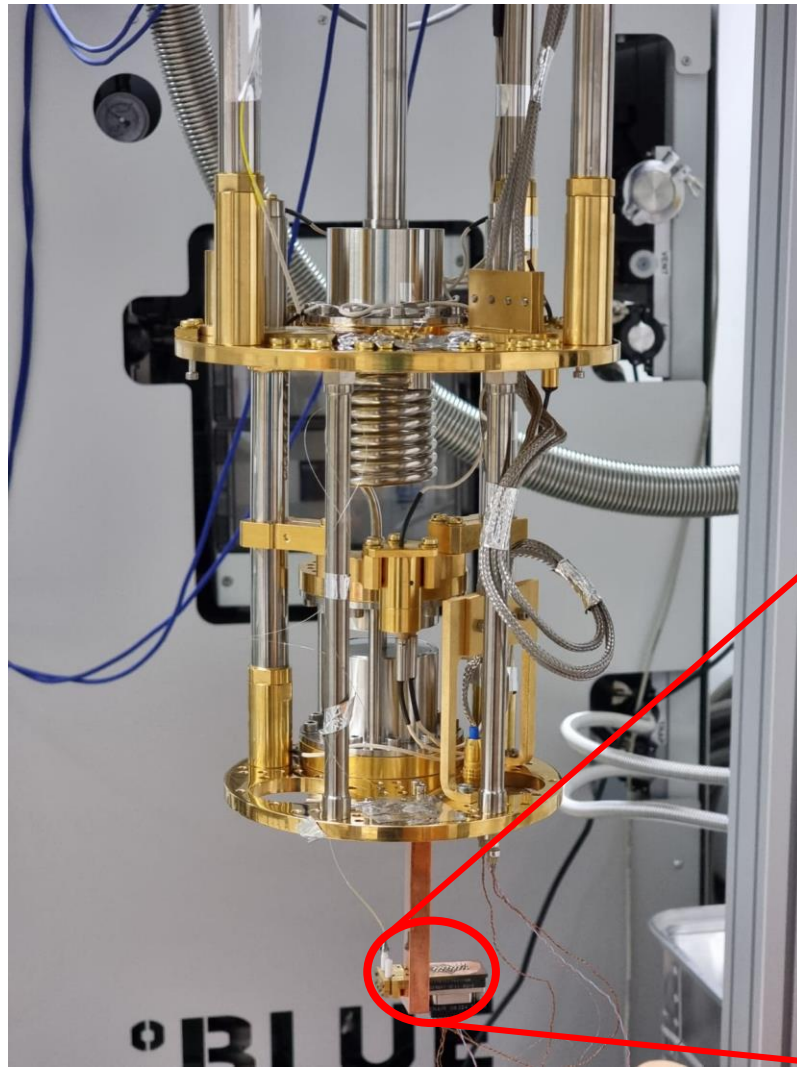
} $\sim 1\text{ m}$

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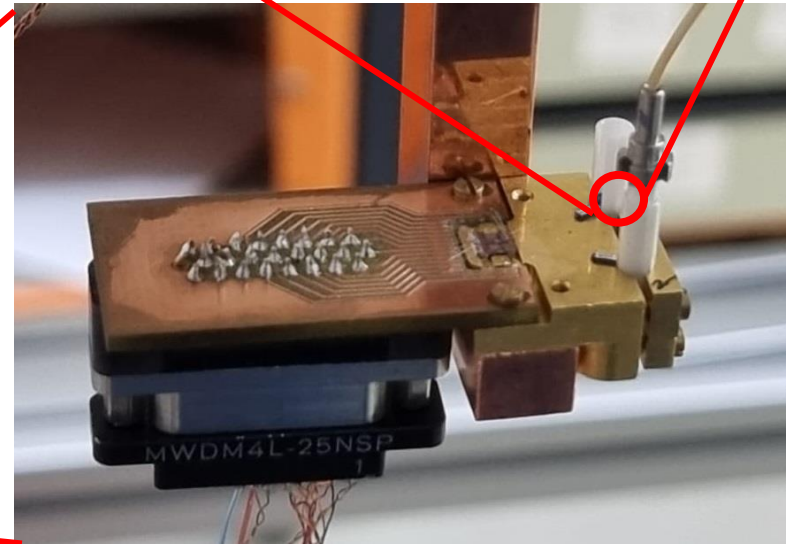
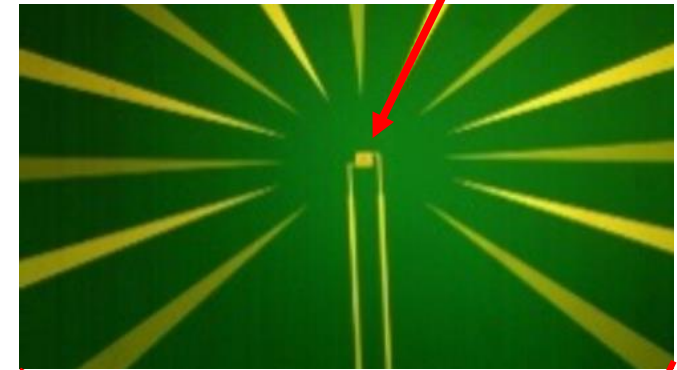


Schematic adapted from Katharina-Sophie Isleif.

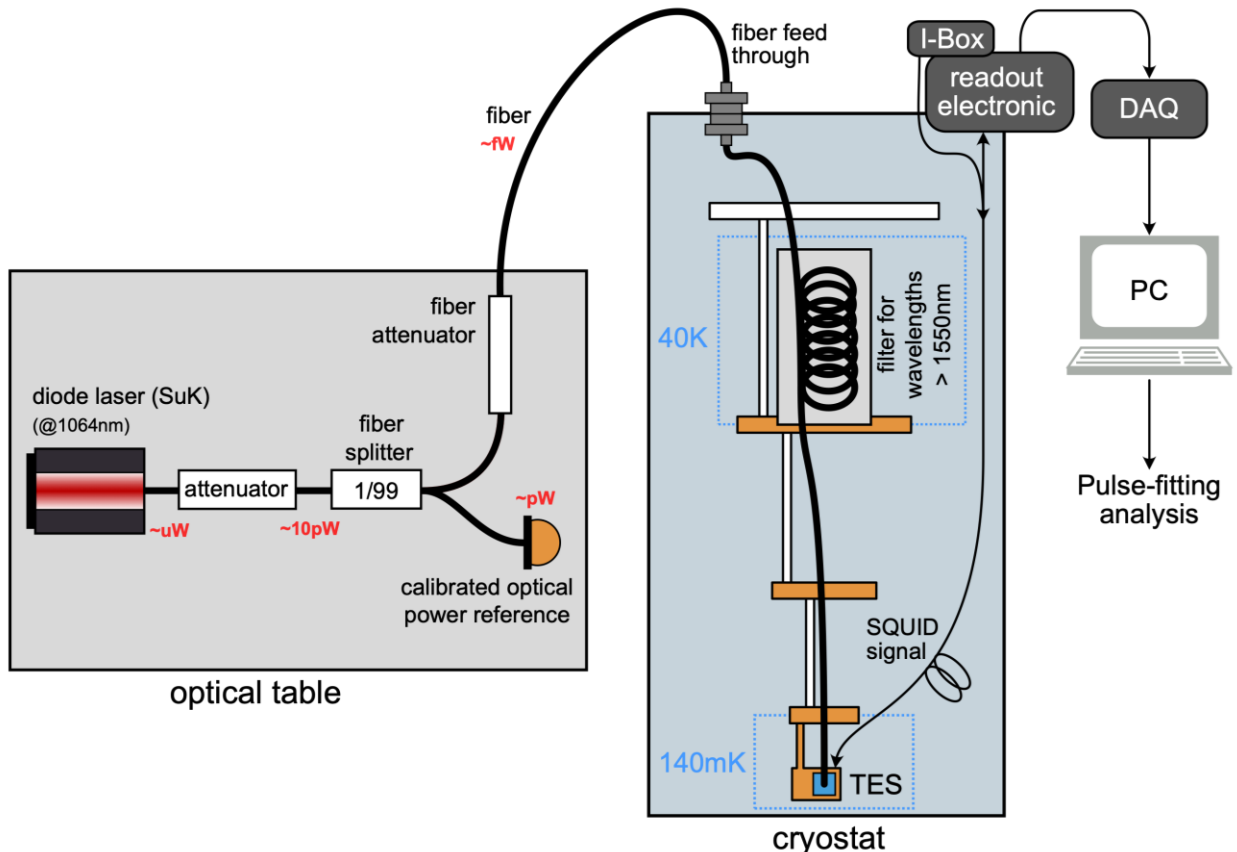
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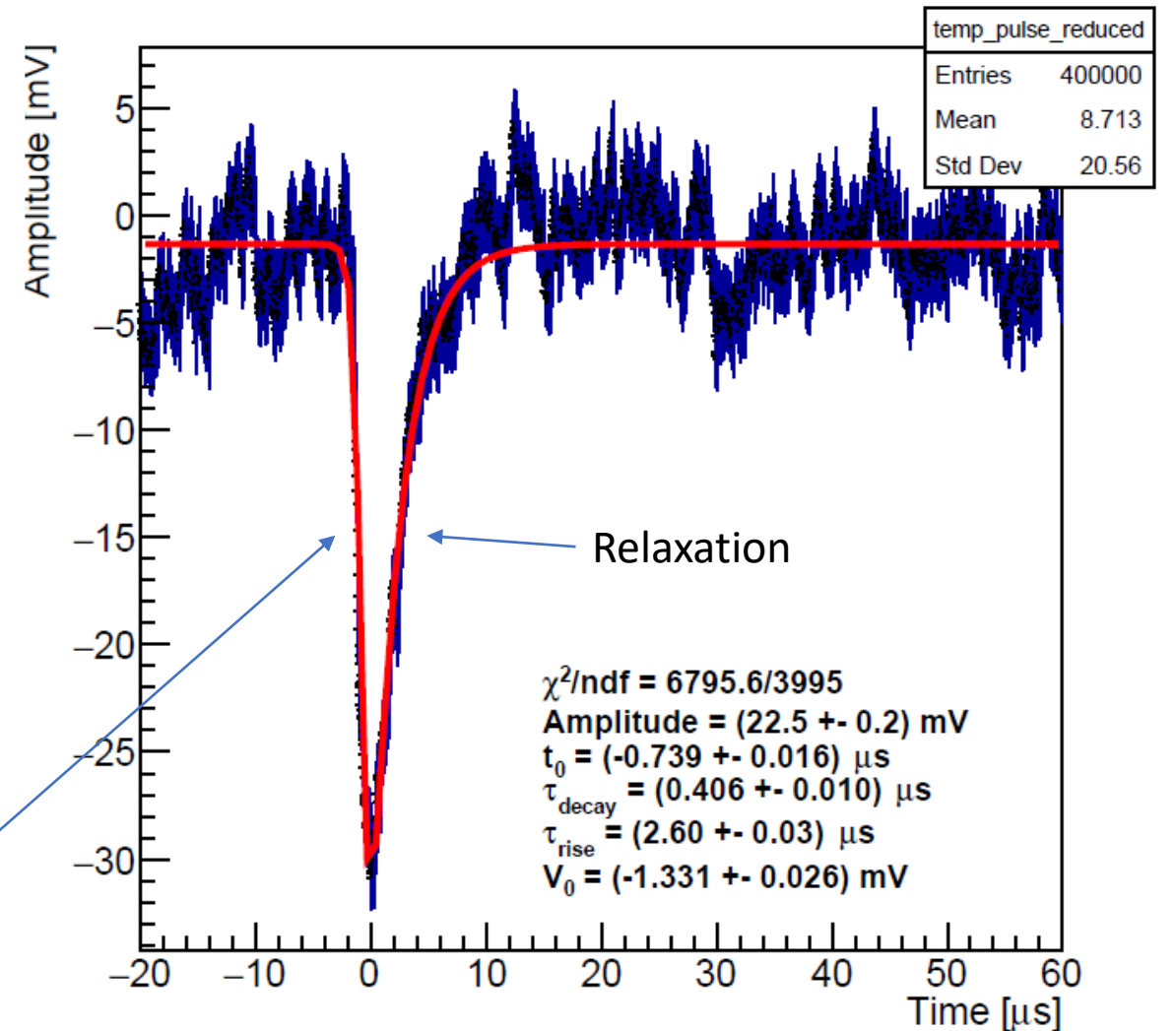
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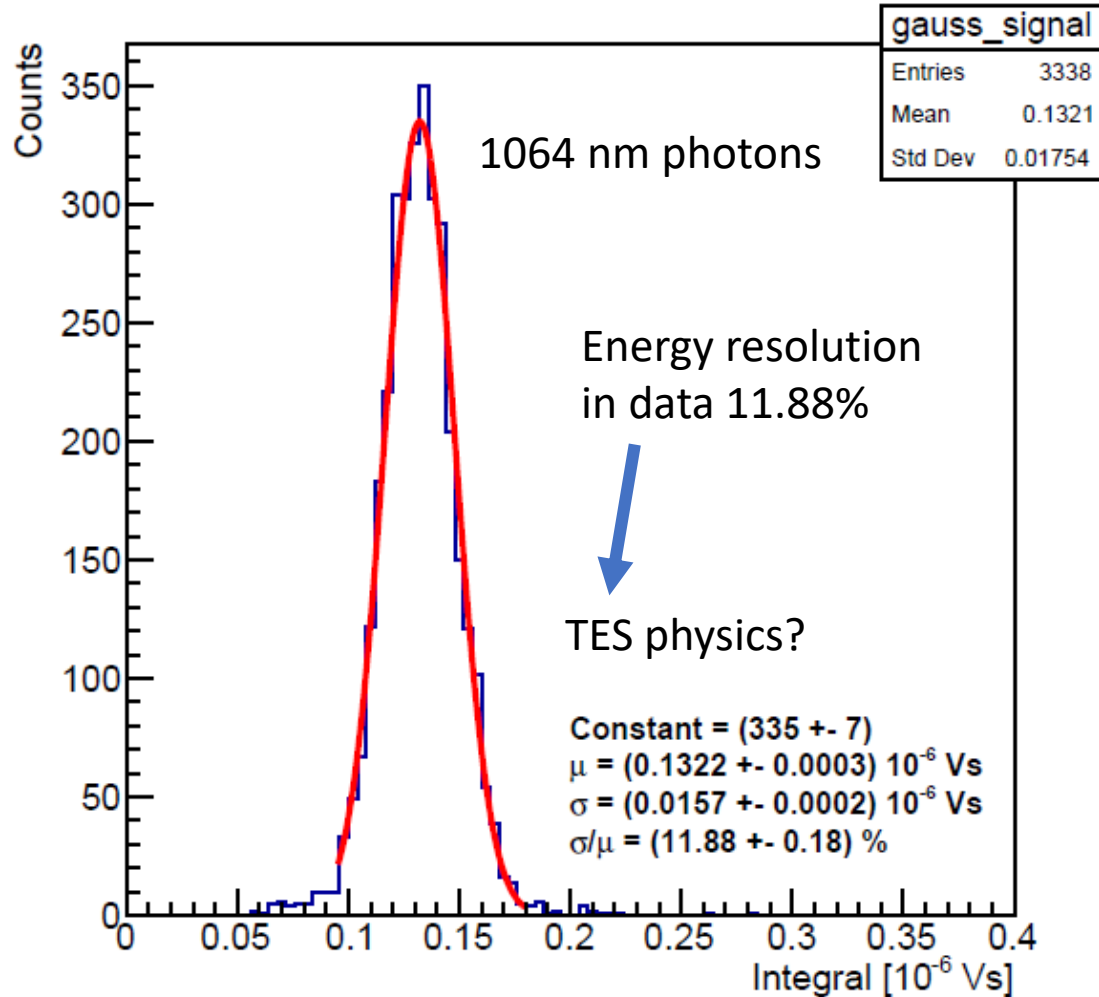


Real Signal

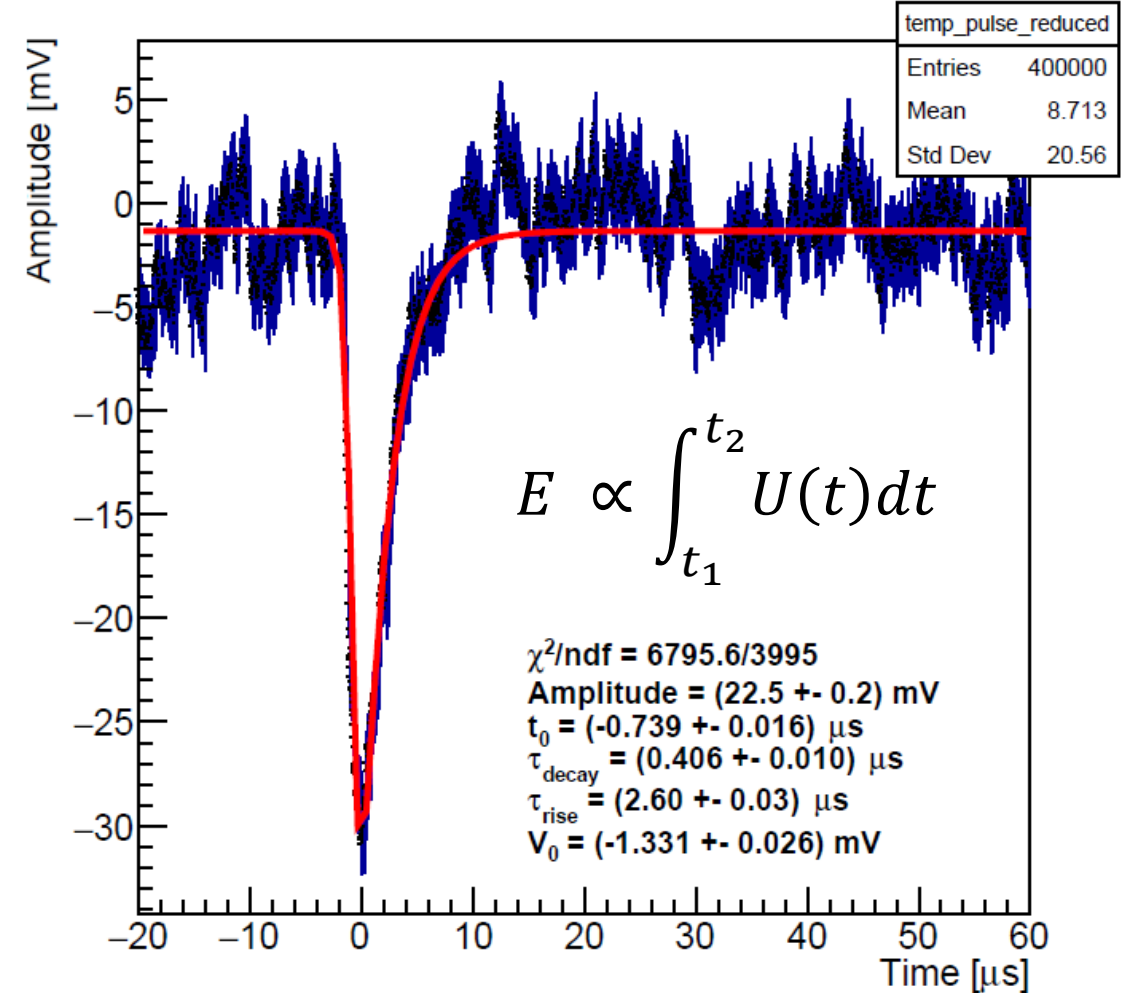


Understanding the signal

Pulse Integral in Time

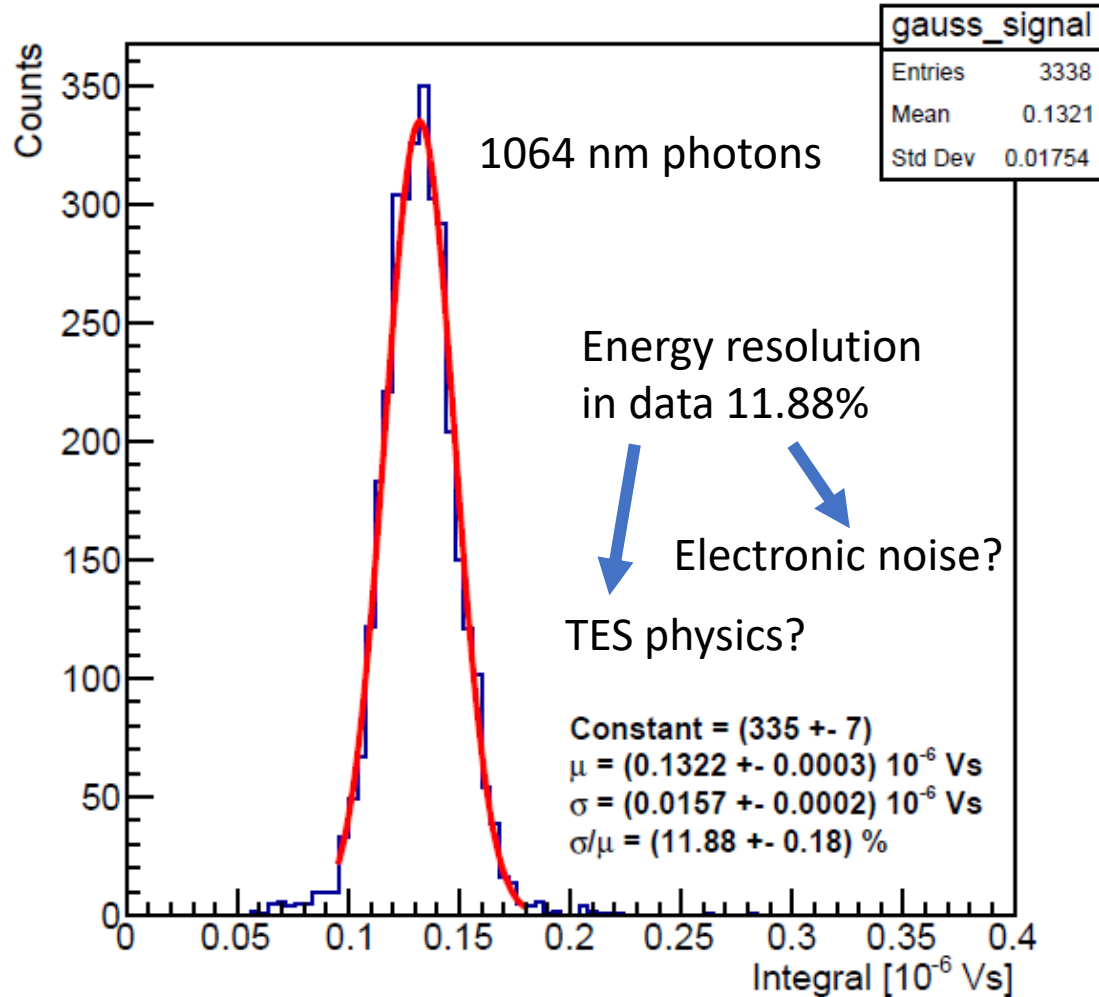


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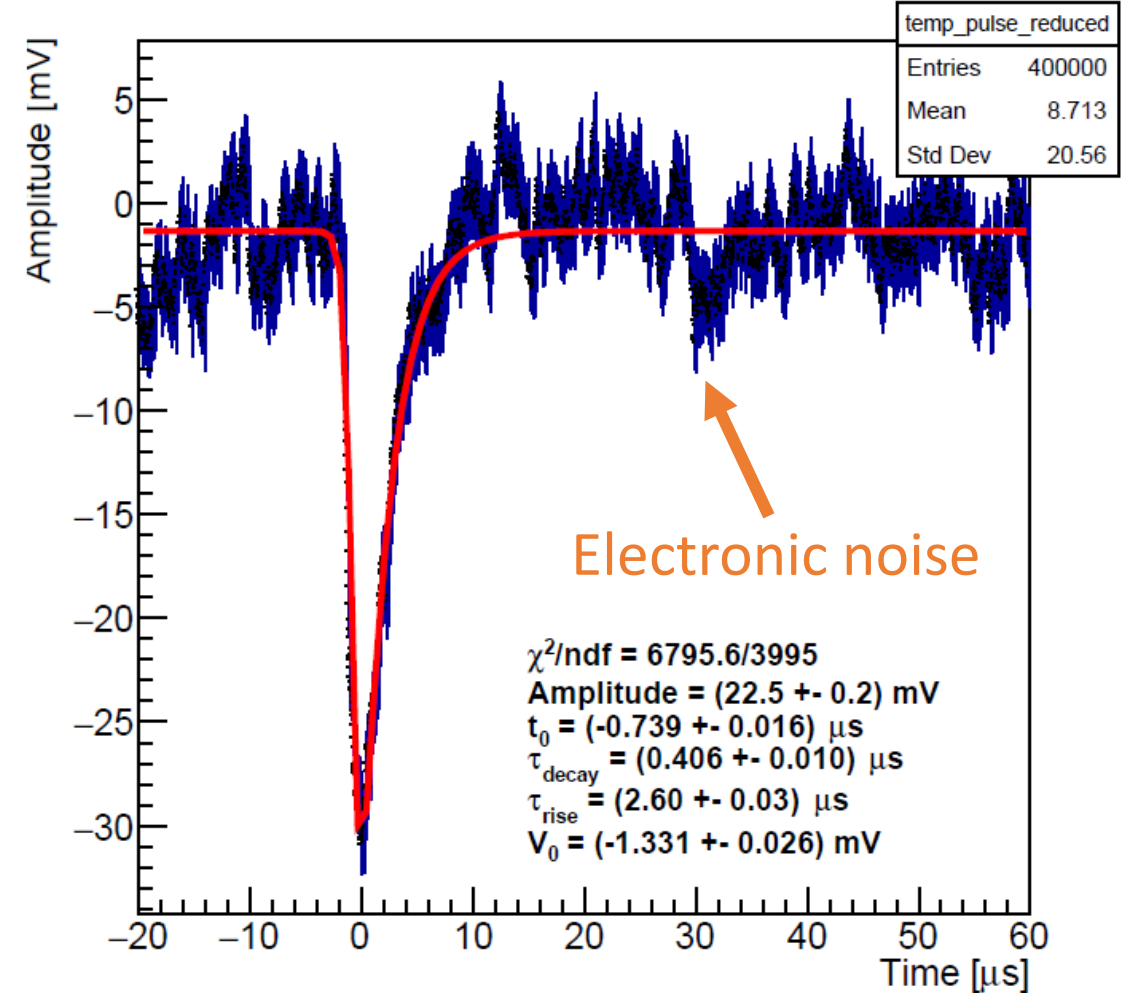


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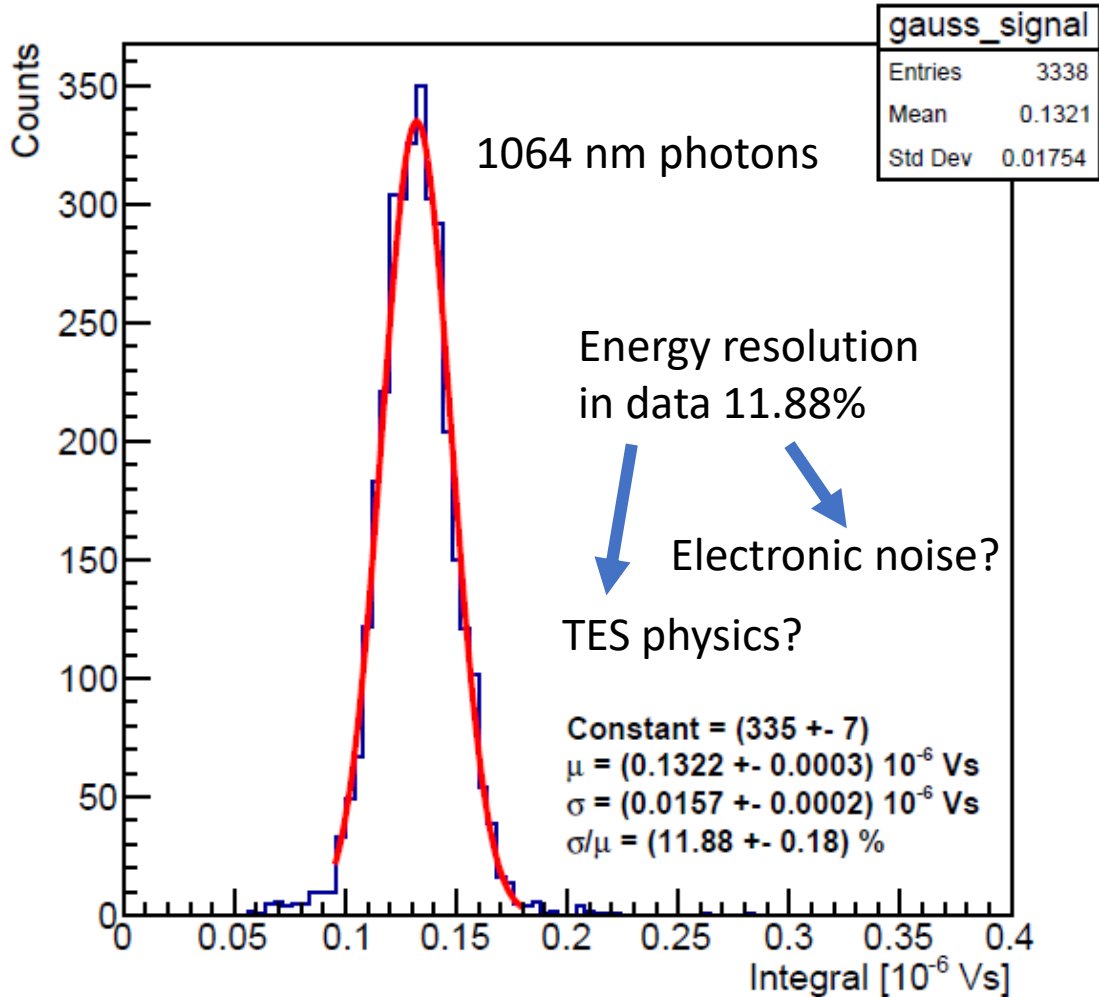


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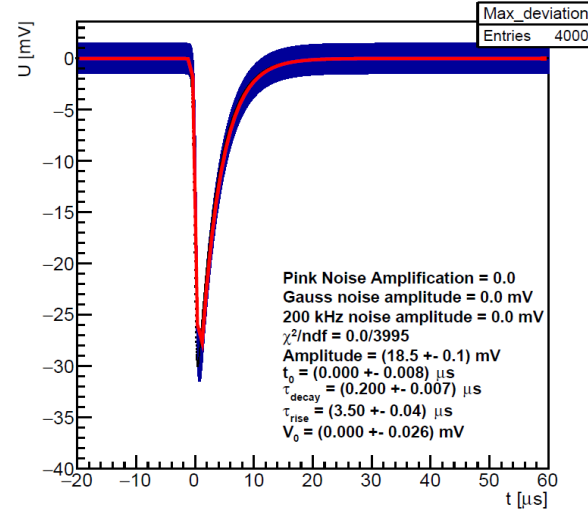


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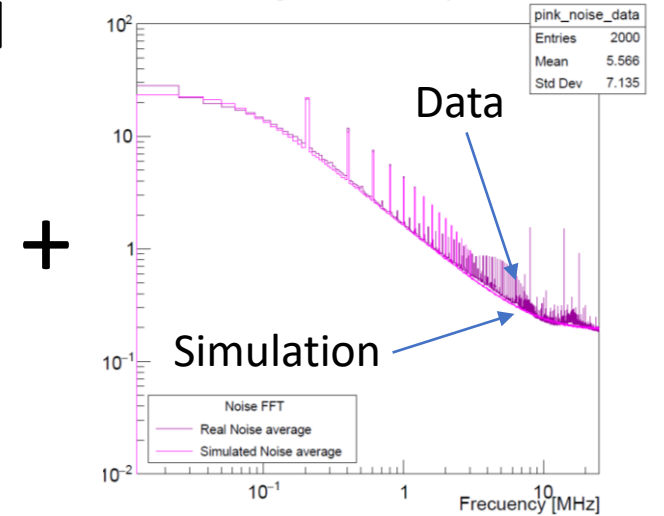
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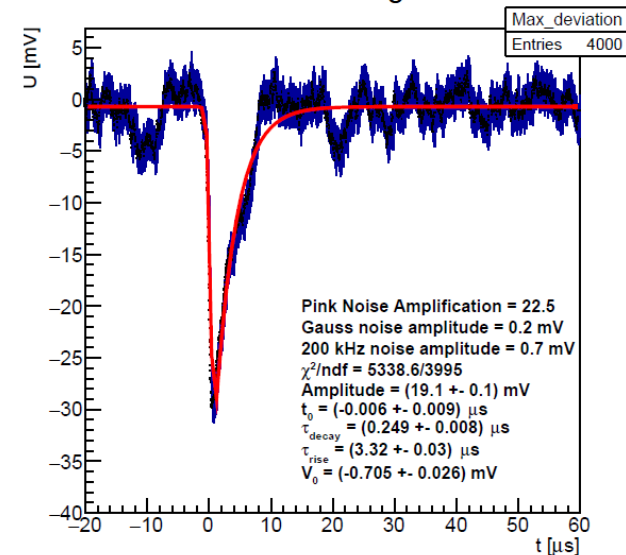
Simulated Signal



Average Noise Comparison

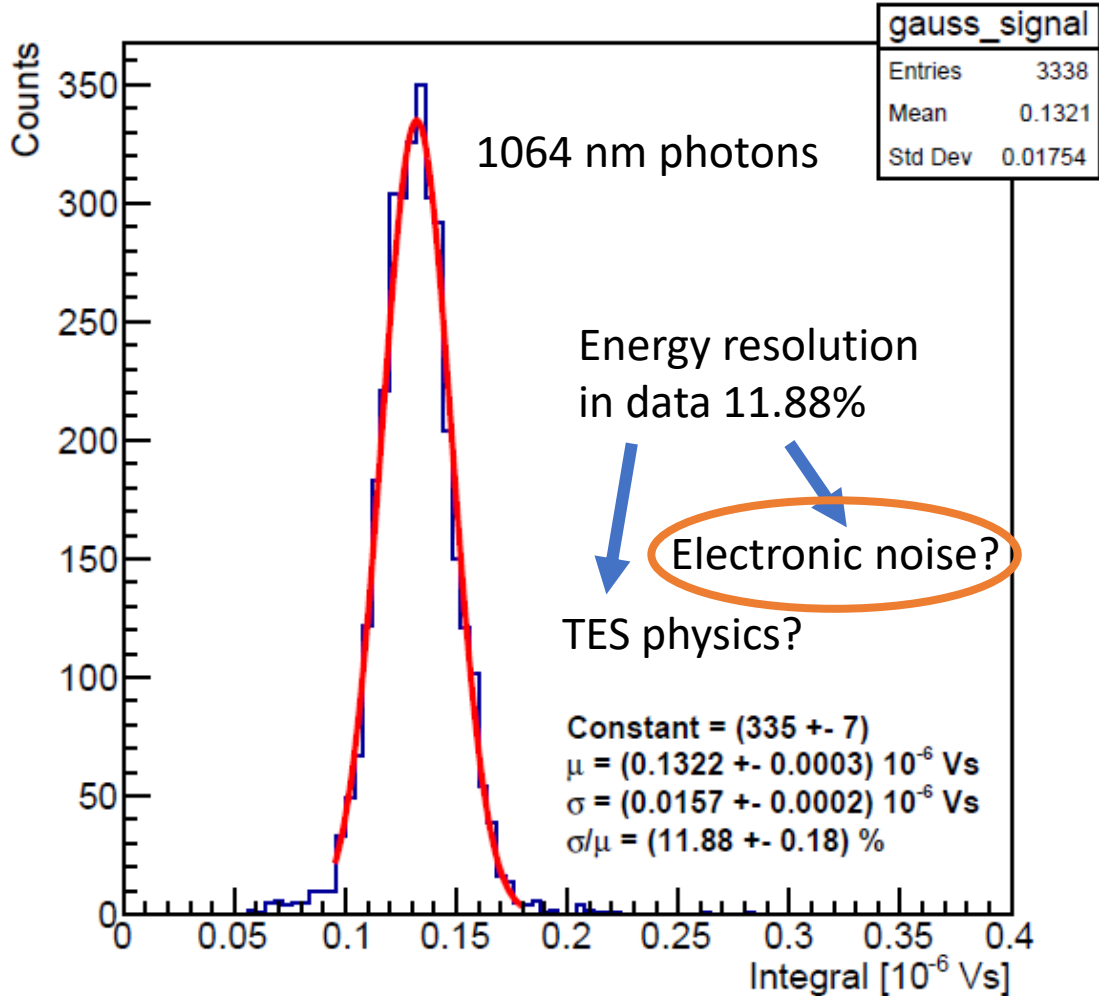


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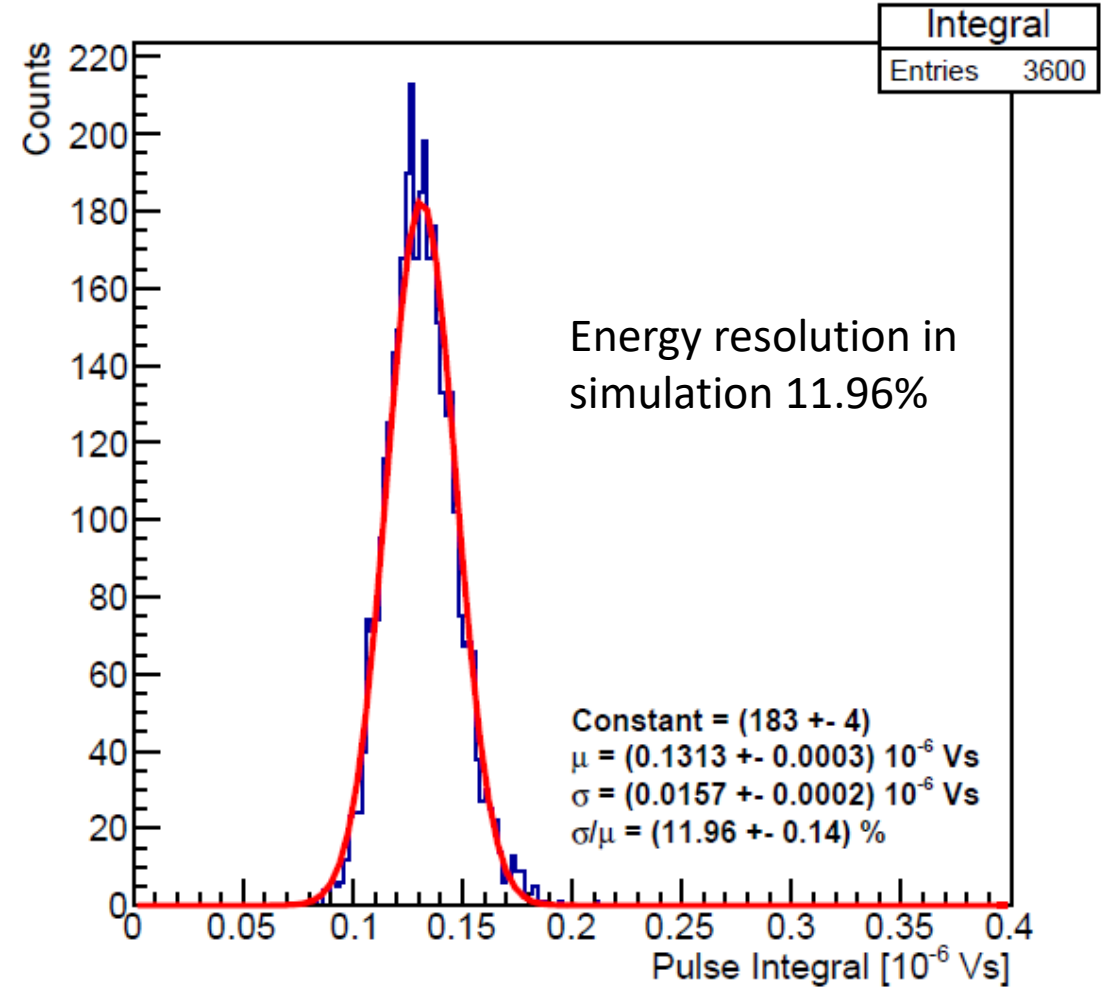


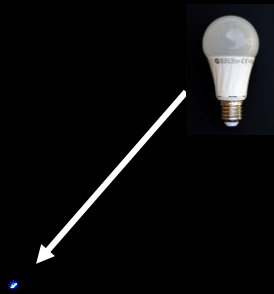
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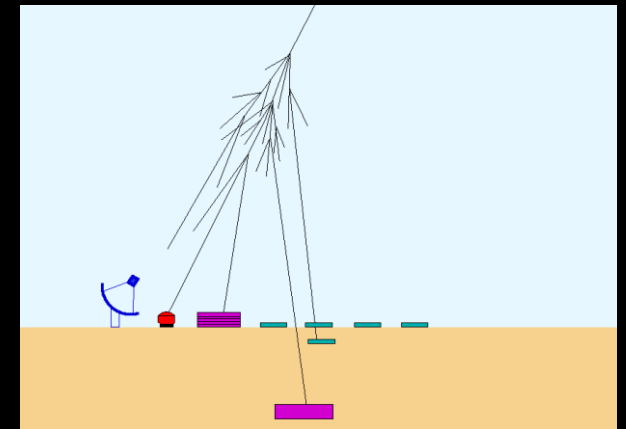
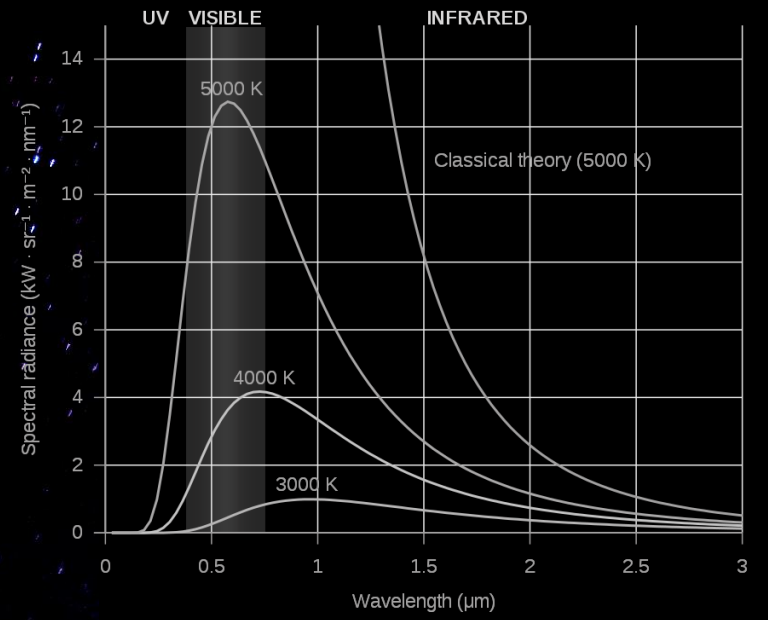
Pulse Integral in Time



Pulse Integral Signal Fit



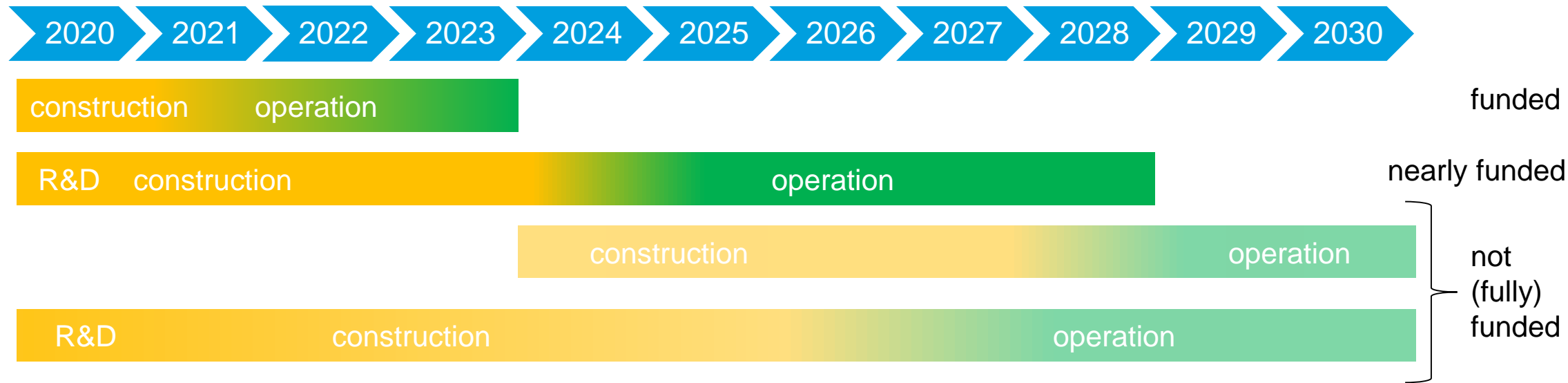




Timelines

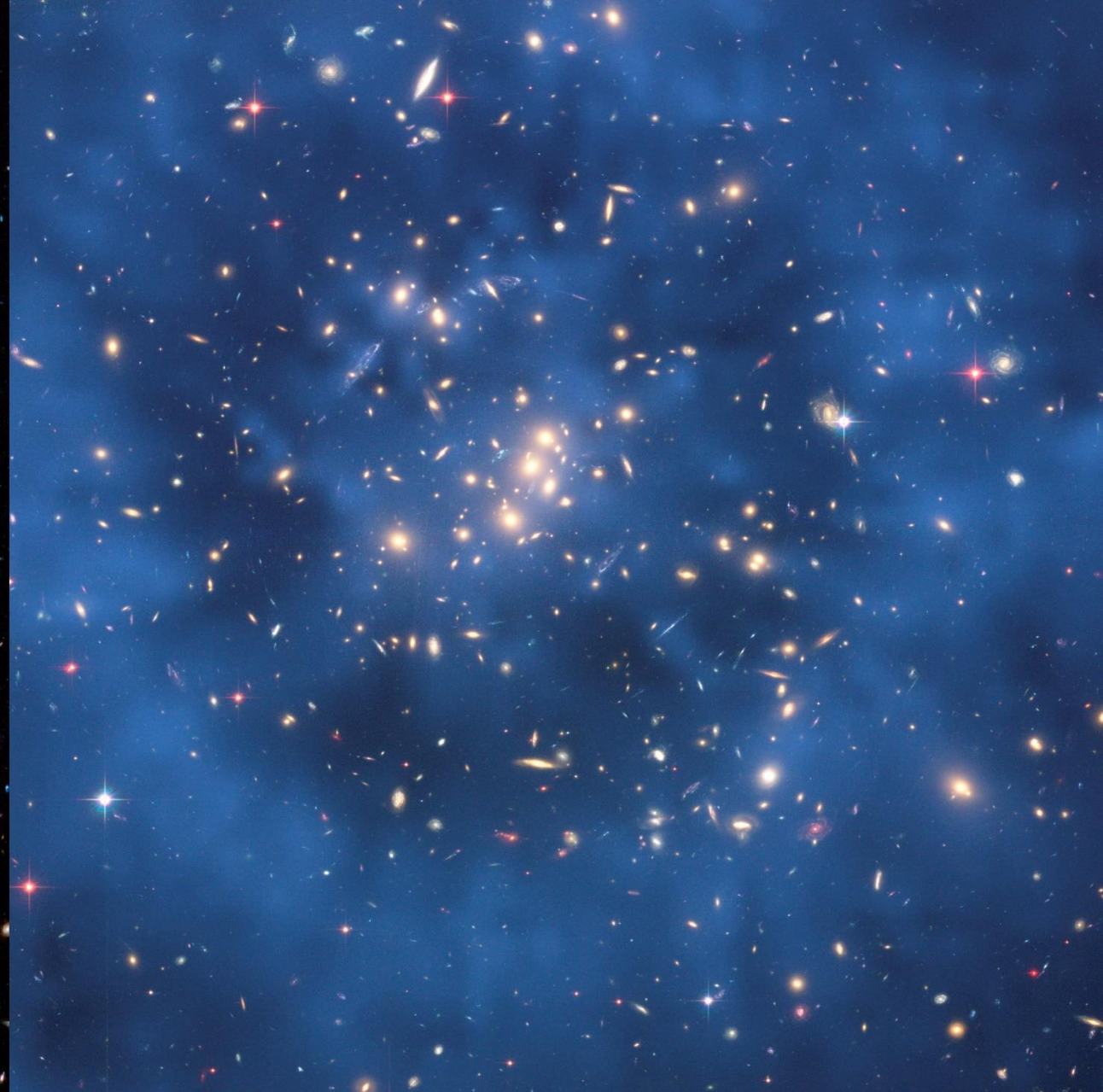
ALPS II, BabyIAXO, IAXO, MADMAX

Some optimistic view (funding), assuming no surprises (axion discovery).



DESY: also a center for experimental axion physics in this decade?

Program well aligned with other international axion searches.



<https://www.nasa.gov/sites/default/files/thumbnails/image/galaxy-cluster-cl-0024-17-zwcl-0024-1652.jpg>

Summary

Dark matter in the universe

- > is very likely to exist (we do not have good alternatives),
- > is expected to exist by theories beyond the standard model of particle physics.

Experiments searching for WIMPs

- > have demonstrated a fantastic technological development,
- > might approach a final phase in the next decade (“neutrino floor”, no signal at LHC).

Experiments searching for axions and ALPs

- > are coming up world-wide with DESY potentially becoming a world-leading center,
- > probe particle physics at energies far above the reach of any colliders.

**Dark matter is one of the most pressing and thrilling physics questions.
It could be detected at any time! Or never.**

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Thank you!

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