

X-ray **DE**tector
Technologies
for **P**hysics (XDEP)

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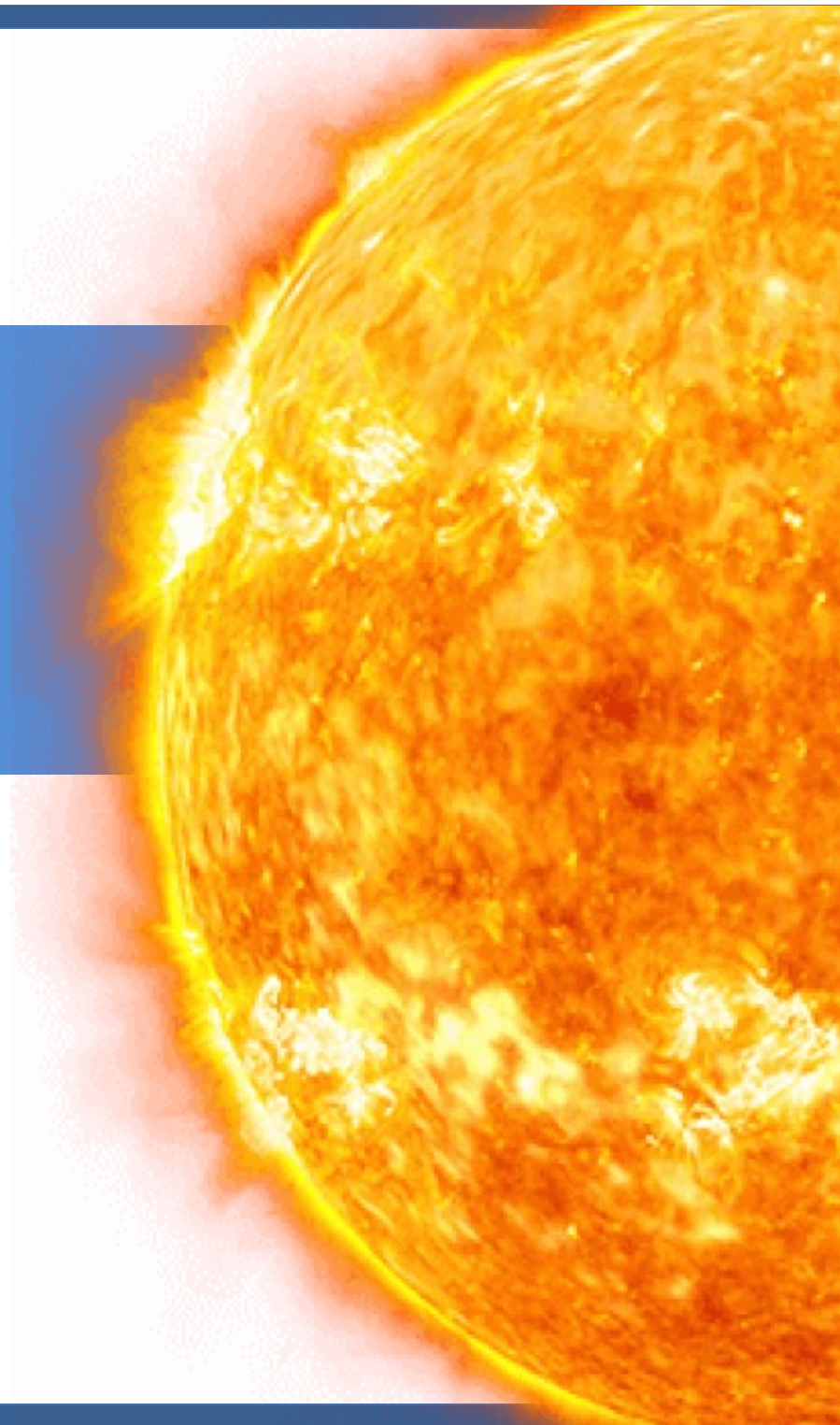
IAXO & Baby IAXO

experiment

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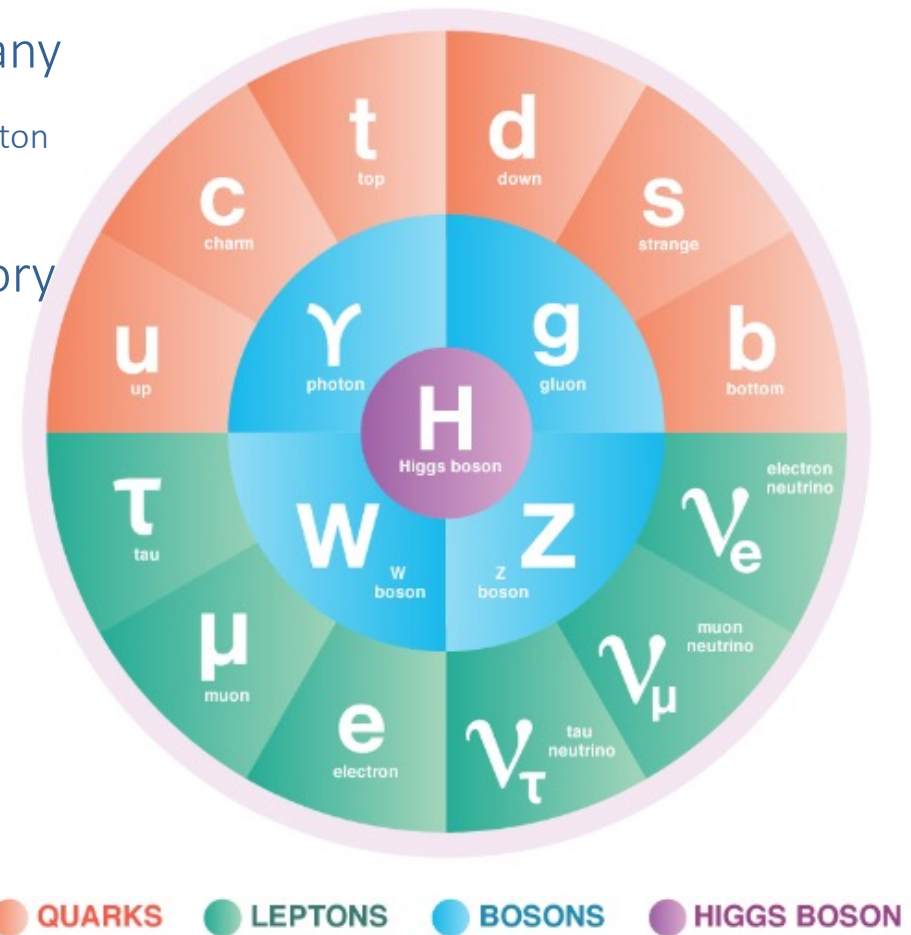
Outline

1. Standard Model, Strong CP and Dark Matter
2. The Axion
3. Detection of Axions. Solar Axion Searches
4. IAXO and BabyIAXO
5. Conclusions

Standard Model, strong CP

STANDARD MODEL (SM) OF PARTICLE PHYSICS

- ✓ Extremely successful theory describing many observations up to energies of $\sim 1000 m_{\text{proton}}$
- ✓ Merely an effective theory that could be considered the low energy limit of a Theory of Everything
- ✓ Expect observation of new phenomena at higher energies (e.g. LHC at CERN)
- ✓ SM cannot explain:
 - What is the nature of dark matter?
 - Why is the electric dipole moment of the neutron so small?



Why is the nEDM so small?

- ✓ QCD Lagrangian contains a CP violating term (with θ -parameter of QCD vacuum)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{CP}} = \bar{\theta} \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}_a^{\mu\nu}$$

- ✓ Observational Consequences: Prediction of electric dipole moments (EDM) to hadrons, most importantly, to neutrons

$$d_n \sim 10^{-16} \bar{\theta} \text{ e cm}$$

Crewther, Di Vecchia, Veneziano, Witten 1979;...; Pospelov, Ritz 2000

- ✓ Latest measurements of the nEDM

$$|d_n| < 1.8 \times 10^{-26} \text{ e cm}$$

Abel et al. 2020

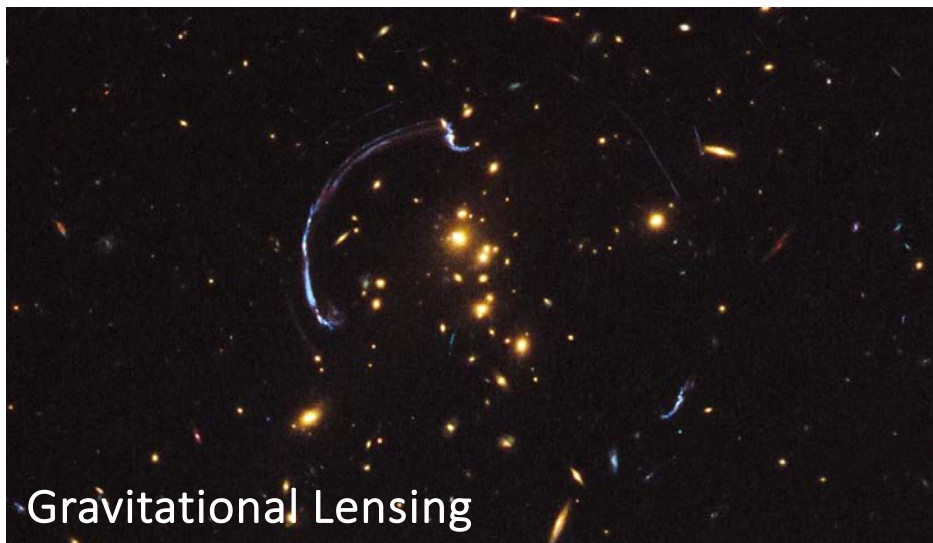
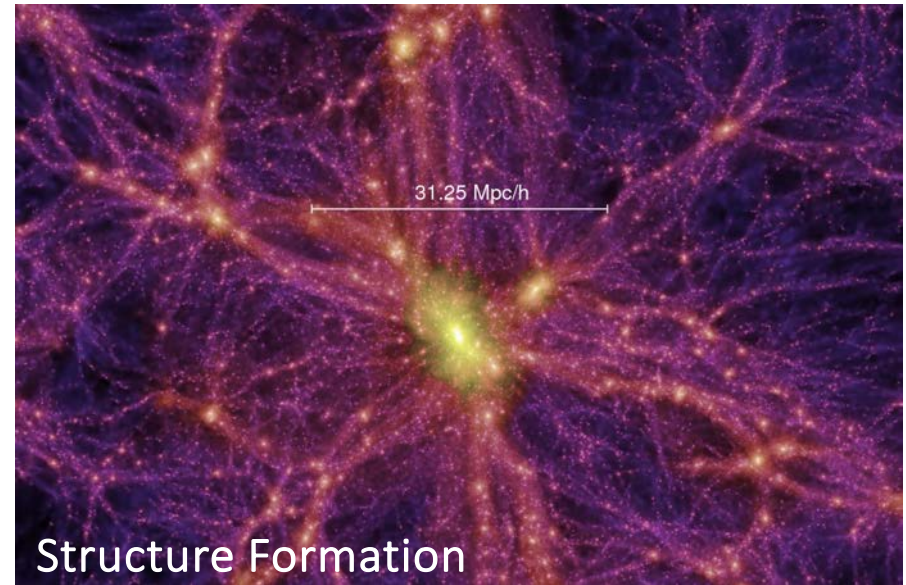
- ✓ Therefore expect $|\bar{\theta}| \lesssim 10^{-10}$

STRONG CP PROBLEM or WHY IS THETA SO SMALL?

Dark Matter

EVIDENCE FOR DARK MATTER

- ✓ Galaxy rotation curves
- ✓ Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB)
- ✓ Structure formation
- ✓ Gravitational lensing
- ✓ Bullet Cluster



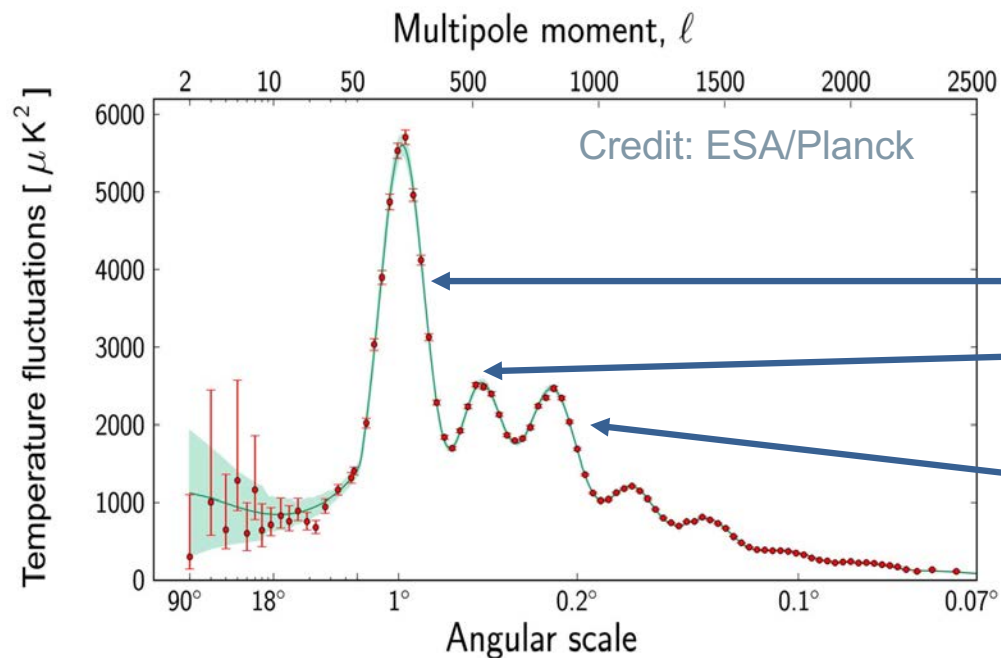
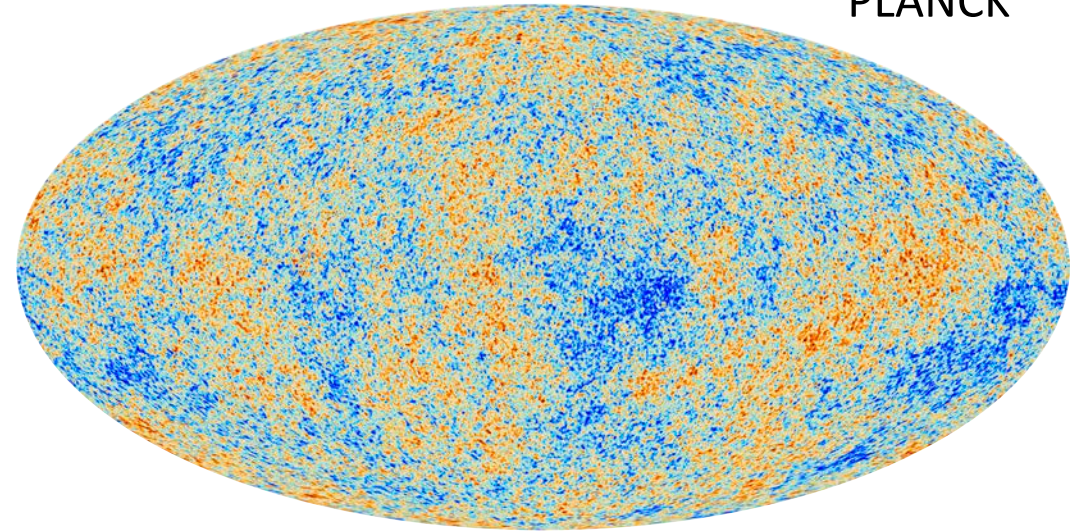
DARK MATTER PROBLEM: WE KNOW IT EXISTS BUT WHAT IS ITS NATURE?

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PLANCK power spectrum of the CMB radiation temperature anisotropy



Location and height of peaks determines cosmological parameters

Flat universe

Baryonic matter ~5% of the total mass/energy of the universe

Amount of dark matter ~27%

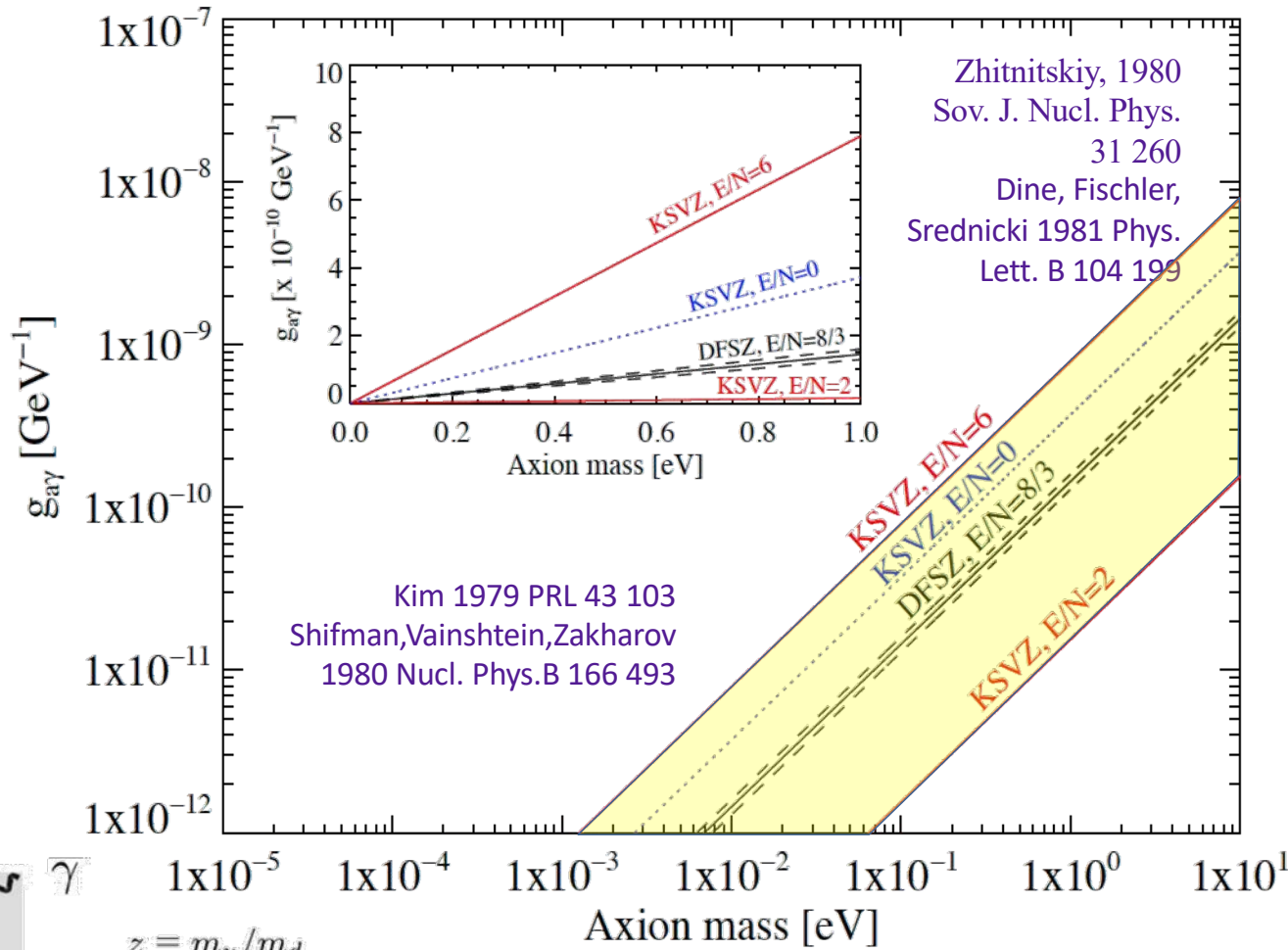
The Axion



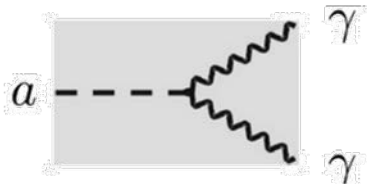
The Axion

Properties

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{g_{a\gamma\gamma}}{4} a F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} \equiv g_{a\gamma\gamma} a \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

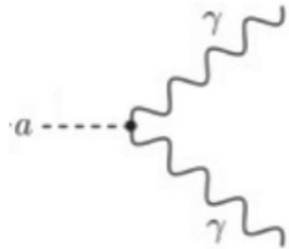
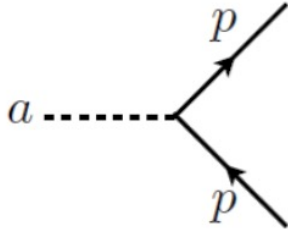
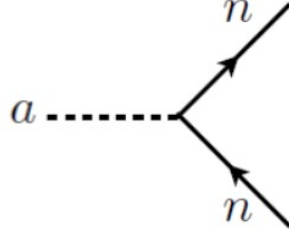
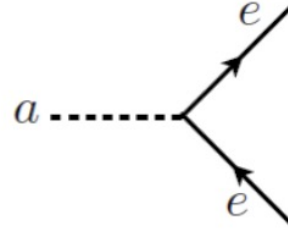


$$g_{a\gamma\gamma} \simeq \frac{\alpha}{2\pi f_\pi} \frac{m_a}{m_\pi} \frac{1+z}{\sqrt{z}} \left(\frac{E_Q}{N_Q} - \frac{24+z}{31+z} \right)$$



AXION COUPLINGS

- ✓ Axions interact with photons (generic) and with regular matter (model dependent)




2 photon	proton	neutron	electron
$\frac{\alpha C_{a\gamma}}{2\pi} \frac{a}{f_a} \frac{F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}}{4}$	$C_{ap} m_p \frac{a}{f_a} [i\bar{p}\gamma_5 p]$	$C_{an} m_n \frac{a}{f_a} [i\bar{n}\gamma_5 n]$	$C_{ae} m_e \frac{a}{f_a} [i\bar{e}\gamma_5 e]$
			

$$g_{a\gamma} = \frac{C_{a\gamma}\alpha}{2\pi f_a} \quad g_{ap} = C_{ap} \frac{m_p}{f_a} \quad g_{an} = C_{an} \frac{m_n}{f_a} \quad g_{ae} = C_{ae} \frac{m_e}{f_a}$$

- ✓ Due to its properties axions are favored dark matter candidates (next to WIMPs)

Detection of Axions

Detection techniques

Source	Experiments	Model & cosmology dependency
Relic axions 	Haloscopes	High (assumes axions are all of the DM)
Lab axions 	Light-Shining-Through-Wall Experiments	Very low
Solar axions 	Helioscopes	Low

Large complementarity between different experimental approaches!

Detection of Axions

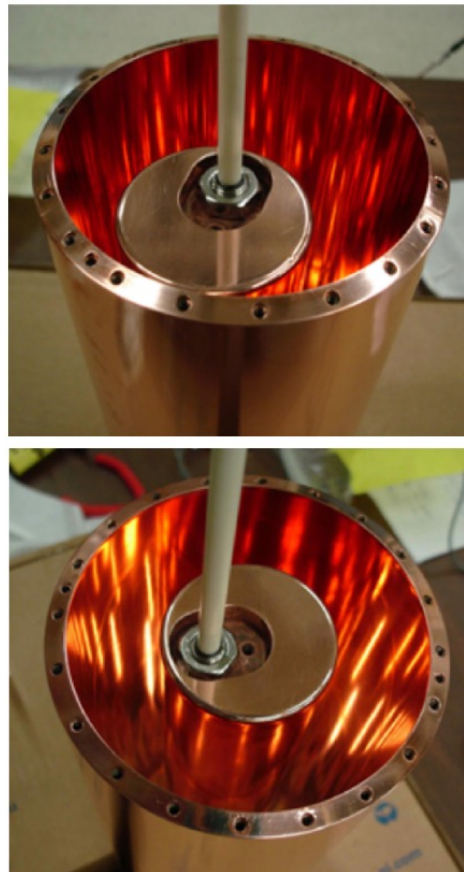
Haloscopes

EXPERIMENTS RELYING ON AXIONS BEING DARK MATTER

ADMX



HAYSTAC



RADES



CAST-CAPP



M. Maroudas et al 2022 Nature Com. 13 1 1-9
Alvarez et al 2021 JHEP 2021 75

Detection of Axions

Shining-light-through walls

EXPERIMENTS NOT RELYING ON AXIONS BEING DARK MATTER

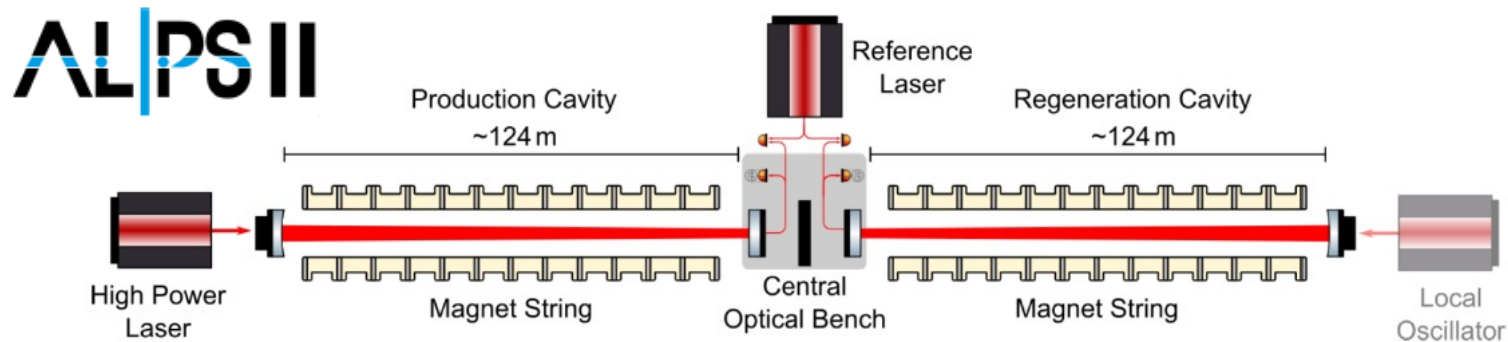
➤ LIGHT-SHINING-THROUGH-WALL EXPERIMENTS: pure laboratory searches

✓ ALPS

Most basic layout of a LSTW experiment

✓ ALPS-II

- 12 + 12 straightened HERA magnets
- Optical cavities both at production and regeneration sites
- Sensitivity 3000×ALPS



Ringwald 2003 Phys. Lett. B 569 51

EXPERIMENTS NOT RELYING ON AXIONS BEING DARK MATTER



➤ AXION HELIOSCOPES: laboratory axion searches looking for solar axions

CERN AXION SOLAR TELESCOPE (CAST)

- Most powerful axion helioscope to date
- Superconducting prototype LHC dipole magnet
- X-ray focusing devices and ultralow-background detectors
- Use of buffer gas to extend sensitivity to higher masses (axion band)

CAST Collaboration 2017 Nature Phys. 13 584-590

Arik et al 2015 PRD 92 021101

Arik et al 2014 PRL 112 091302

Barth et al 2013 JCAP 1305 010

Arik et al 2011 PRL 107 261302

Zioutas et al 2009 JCAP 0902 008

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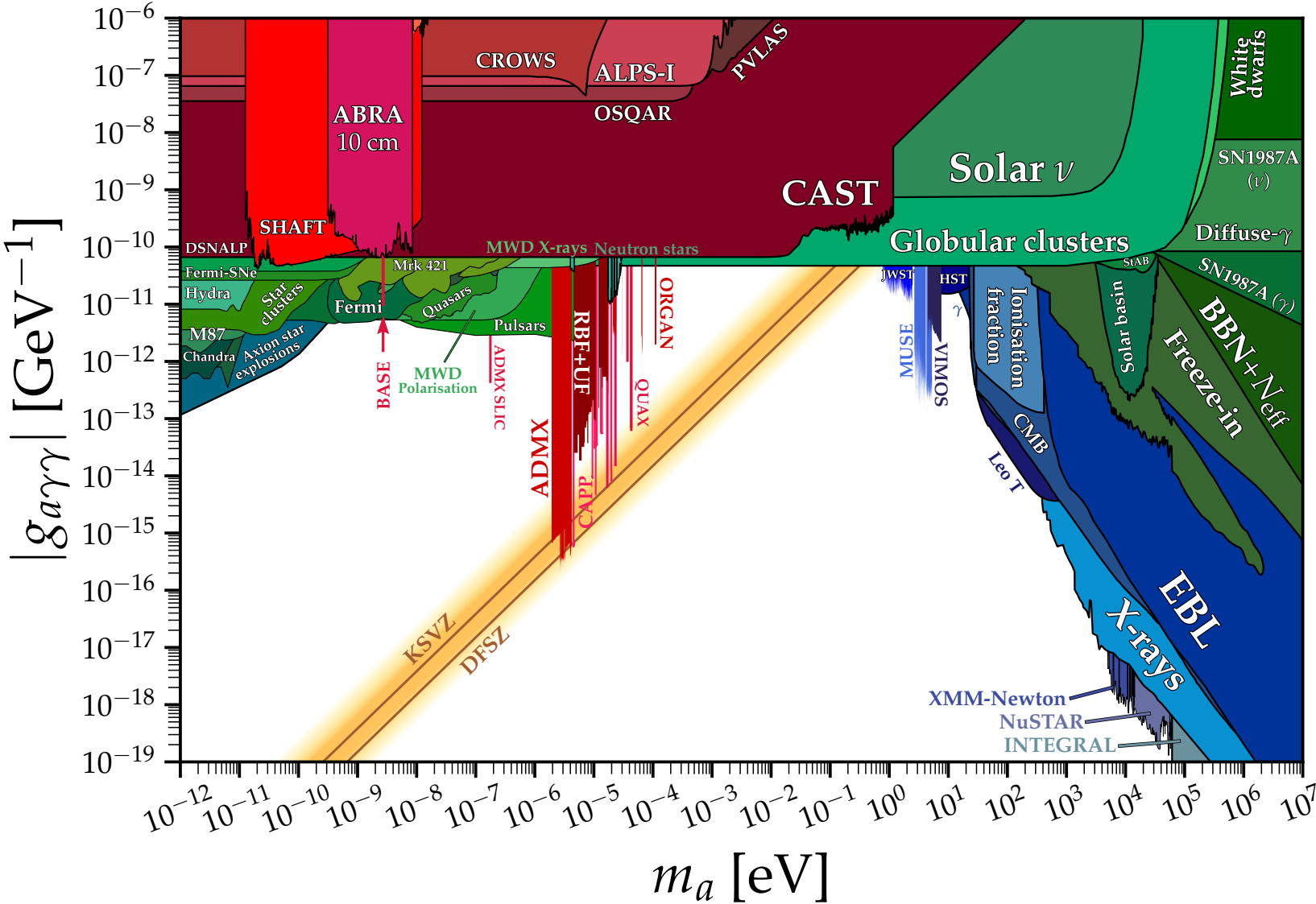


STATE-OF-THE-ART ... SO FAR ...

Detection of Axions

State-of-the-art

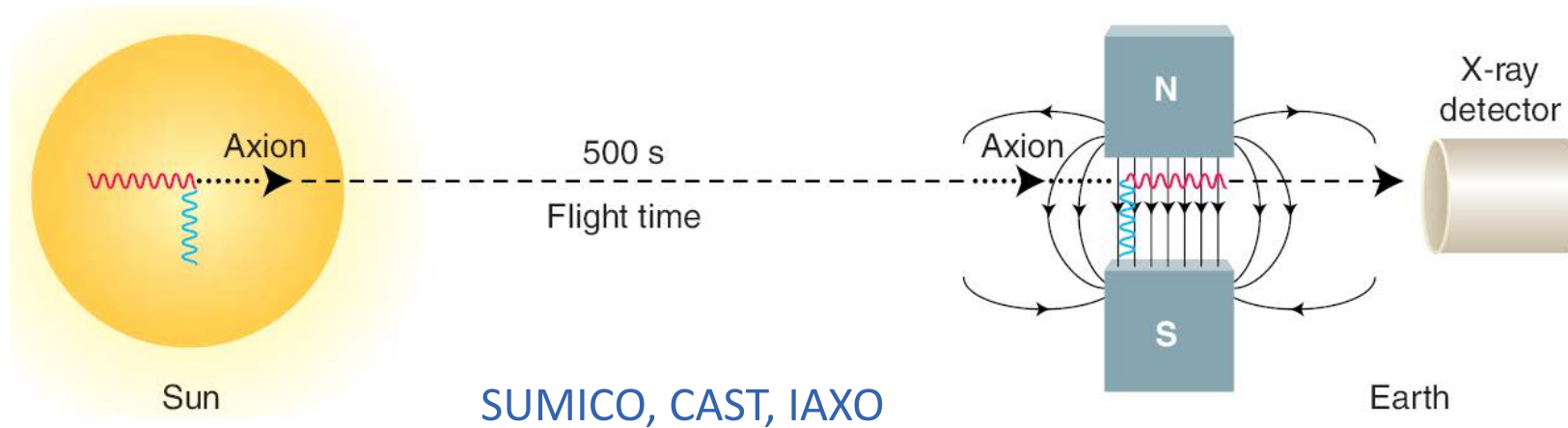
Adapted from <https://github.com/cajohare/AxionLimits>



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▶ AXION HELIOSCOPES: laboratory axion searches looking for solar axions

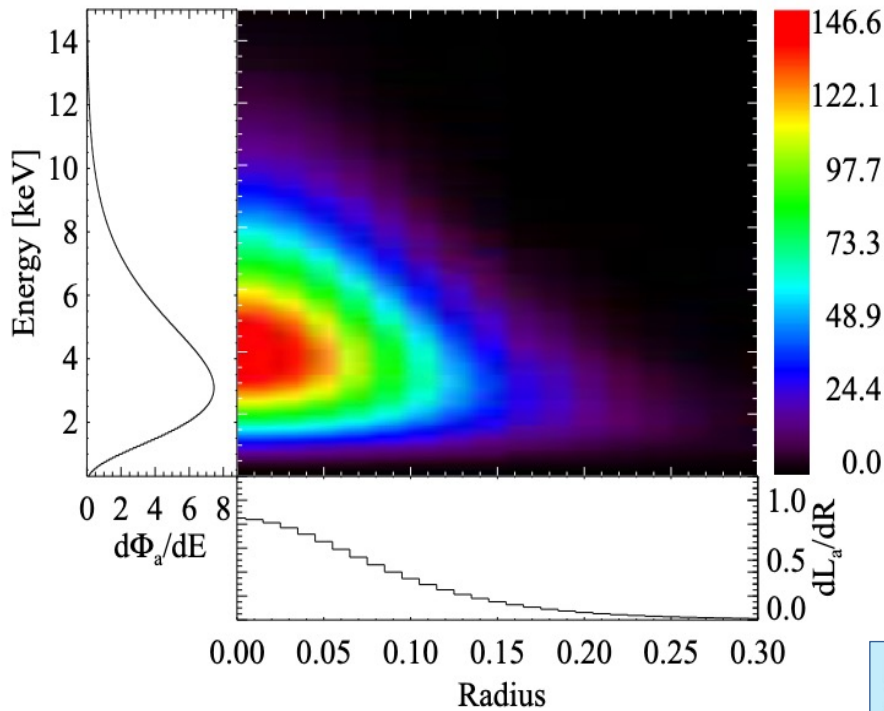
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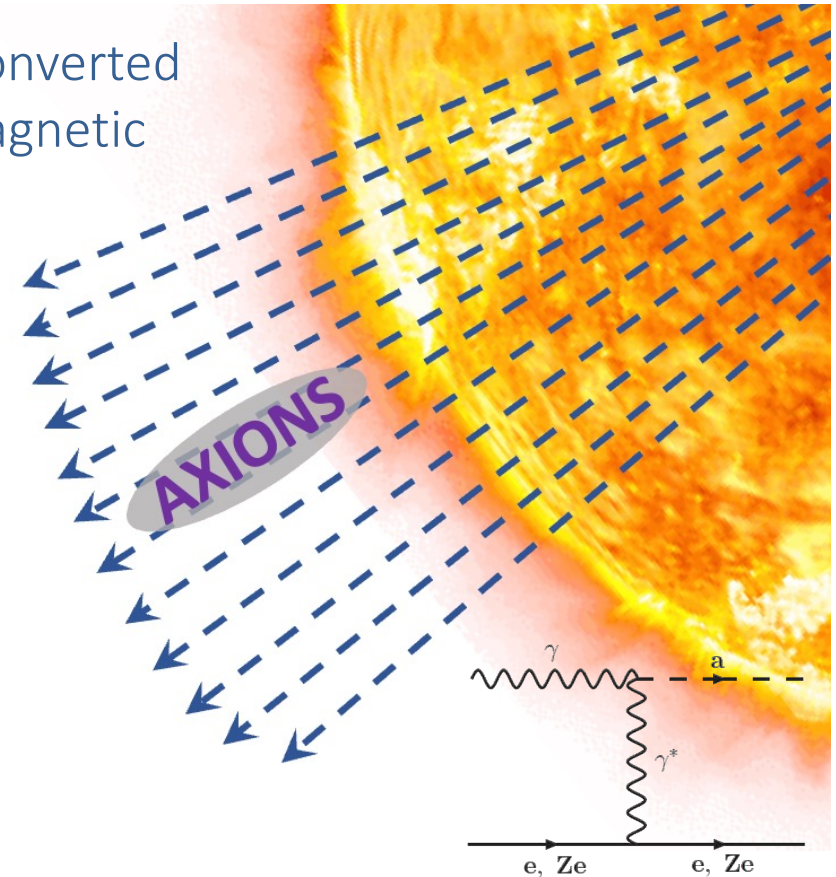
Concept:

- Axions produced in strong electromagnetic fields of the core of the Sun
- Solar axion conversion into x-ray (keV) photons in transverse laboratory B-field

- Blackbody photons (keV) in solar core can be converted into axions in the presence of strong electro magnetic fields in the plasma → Primakoff Effect.



Hadronic axions (if the axion couples predominantly to photons ($g_{a\gamma}$))



$$\frac{d\Phi_a}{dE} = 6.02 \times 10^{10} \left(\frac{g_{a\gamma}}{10^{-10} \text{GeV}^{-1}} \right)^2 E^{2.481} e^{-E/1.205} \frac{1}{\text{cm}^2 \text{ s keV}}$$

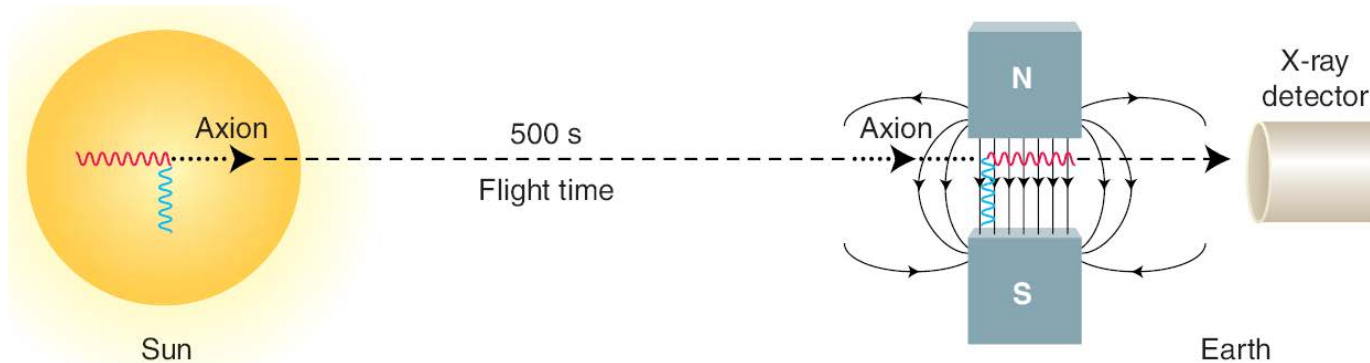
Solar Axion Searches

Detection Helioscope

- First axion helioscope proposed by P. Sikivie

P. Sikivie 1983 PRL 51 1415

Reconversions of axions into x-ray photons possible in strong laboratory magnetic field



$$P_{a \rightarrow \gamma} = \left(\frac{B L g_{a\gamma\gamma}}{2} \right)^2 \text{ for } \frac{qL}{2} < \pi \text{ with } q = \frac{m_a^2}{2E_a} \quad \text{VACUUM}$$

- Idea refined by K. van Bibber et al.

Van Bibber et al 1989 Phys. Rev. D 39 2089

Buffer gas to restore coherence over long magnetic field and access higher axion masses

$$P_{a \rightarrow \gamma} = \left(\frac{B g_{a\gamma\gamma}}{2} \right)^2 \frac{1}{q^2 + \Gamma^2/4} \left[1 + e^{-\Gamma L} - 2e^{-\Gamma L/2} \cos(qL) \right] \text{ with } q = \frac{m_\gamma^2 - m_a^2}{2E_a} \quad \text{GAS}$$

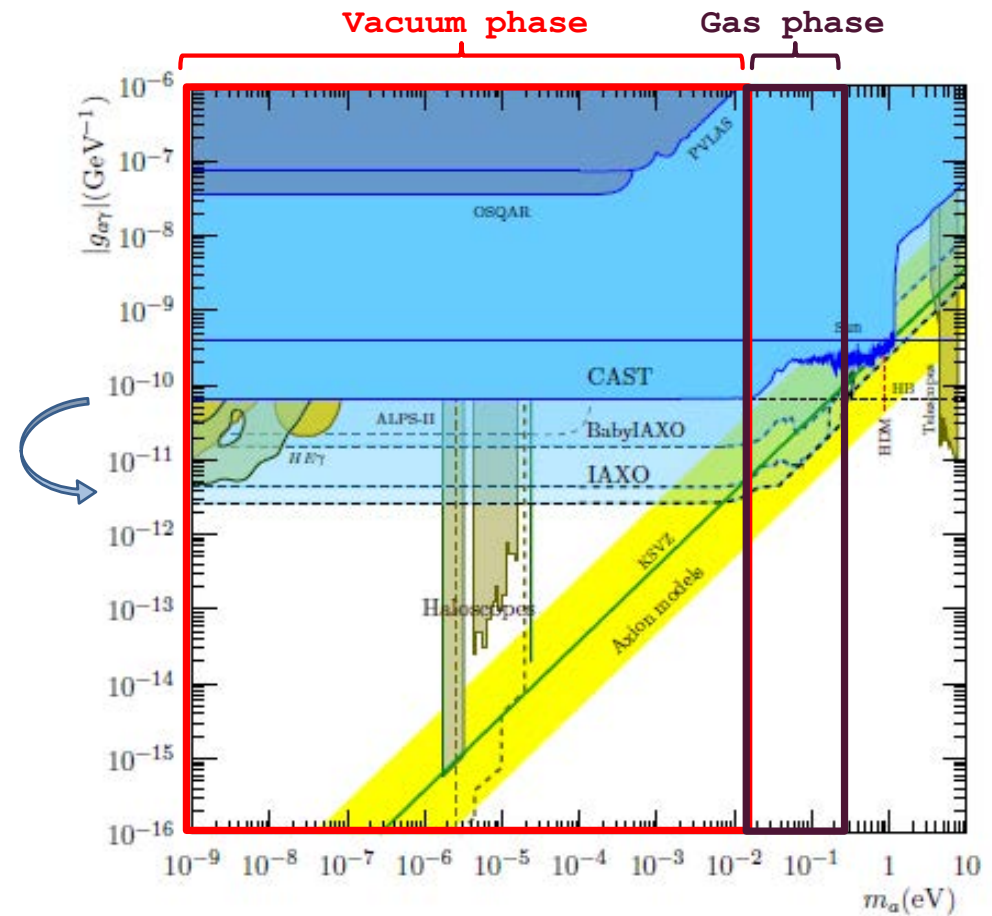
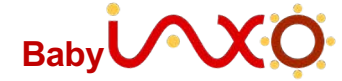
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Detection Helioscope

- Vacuum Phase:
 - Coherence condition valid for $m_a \lesssim 0.02$ eV
- Gas Phase:
 - Extends coherence condition valid from 0.02 eV $\lesssim m_a \lesssim 0.26$ eV

$$m_\gamma = 4.498716 \sqrt{\frac{P_{He}[\text{atm}]}{T_{He}[\text{K}]}} \text{ eV.}$$

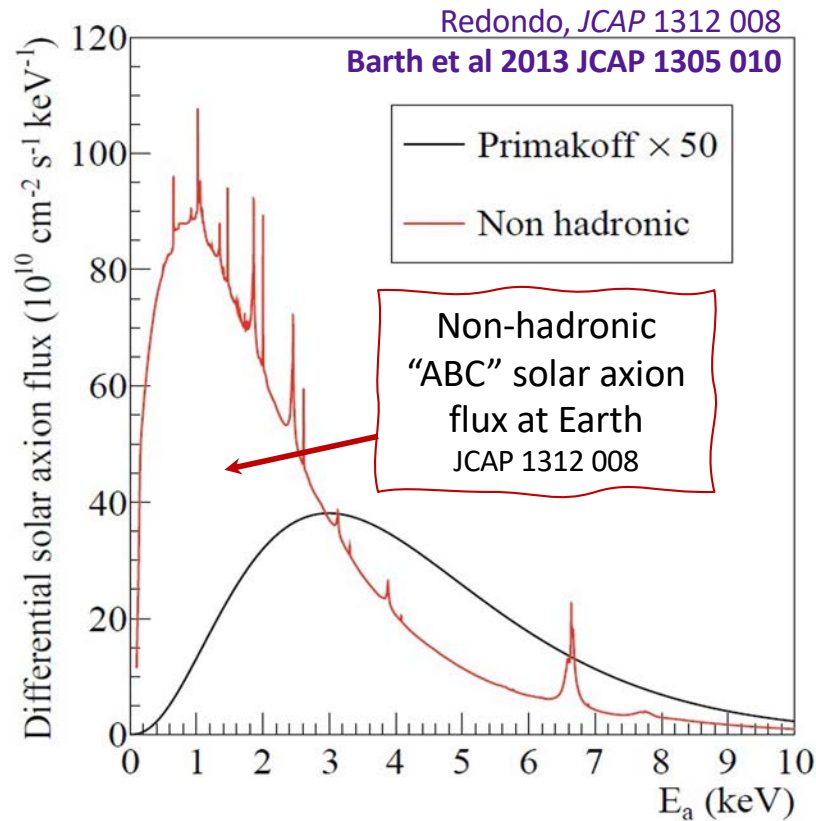
- Experimental conditions for BabyIAXO:
 - P_{max} (helium-4) $\simeq 1$ bar
 - T (average) $\simeq 295$ K



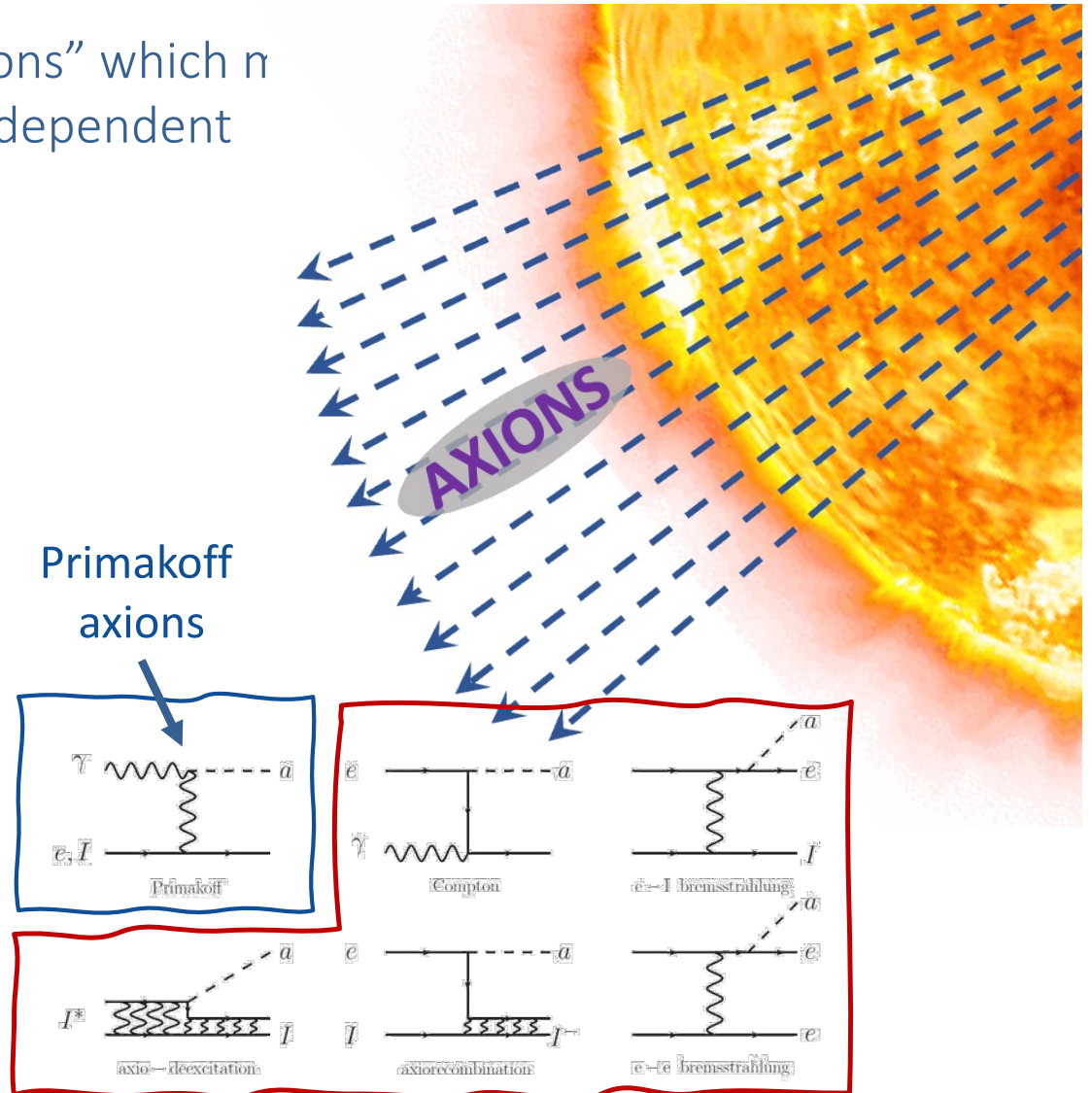
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Non-hadronic models

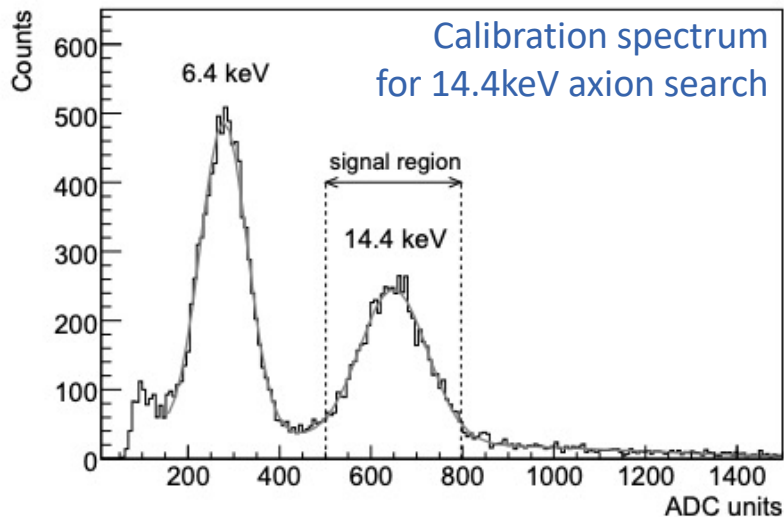
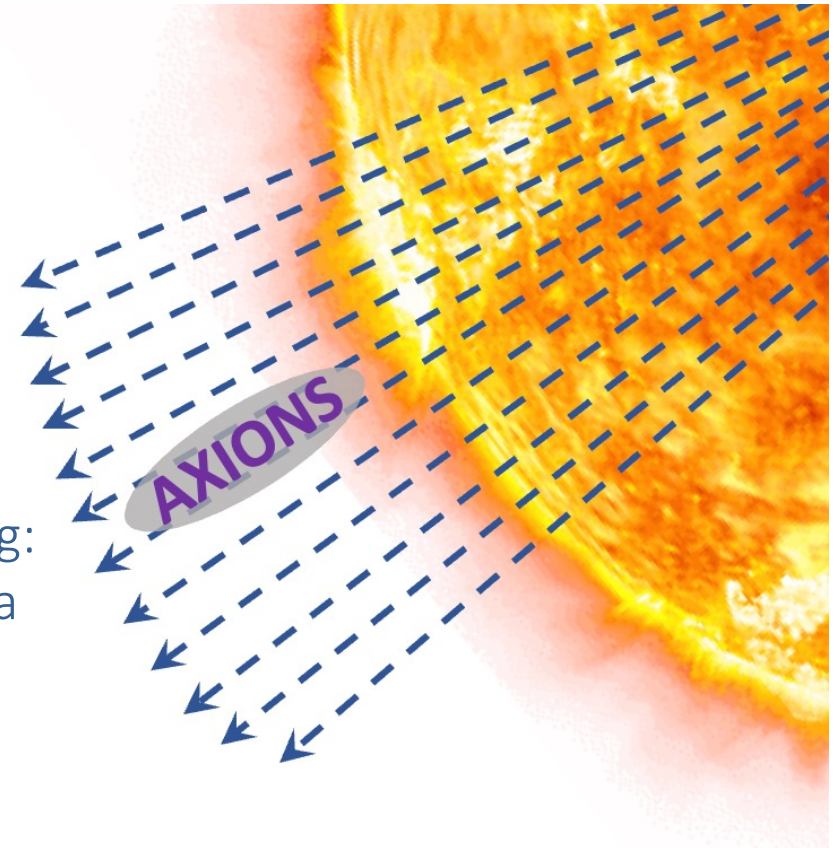
- ▶ Additionally to Primakoff: “ABC axions” which n be X100 more intense but model-dependent



Non-hadronic or “ABC” axions
(if the axion couples to electrons (g_{ae}))



- ▶ Via axion-nucleon couplings can also observe monochromatic lines from nuclear transitions
 - ▶ keV axions emitted in the M1 transition of Fe-57 nuclei (14.4 keV) and Tm-169 (8.4keV)
 - ▶ MeV axions from ${}^7\text{Li}$ (0.478 MeV) and $\text{D}(p;g){}^3\text{He}$ (5.5 MeV)
- ▶ Axions-nucleon coupling g_{aN} especially intriguing: if the axion has couples via g_{aN} , it is most likely a QCD axion



$$\Phi_a := 5.06 \times 10^{23} (g_{aN}^{\text{eff}})^2 \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

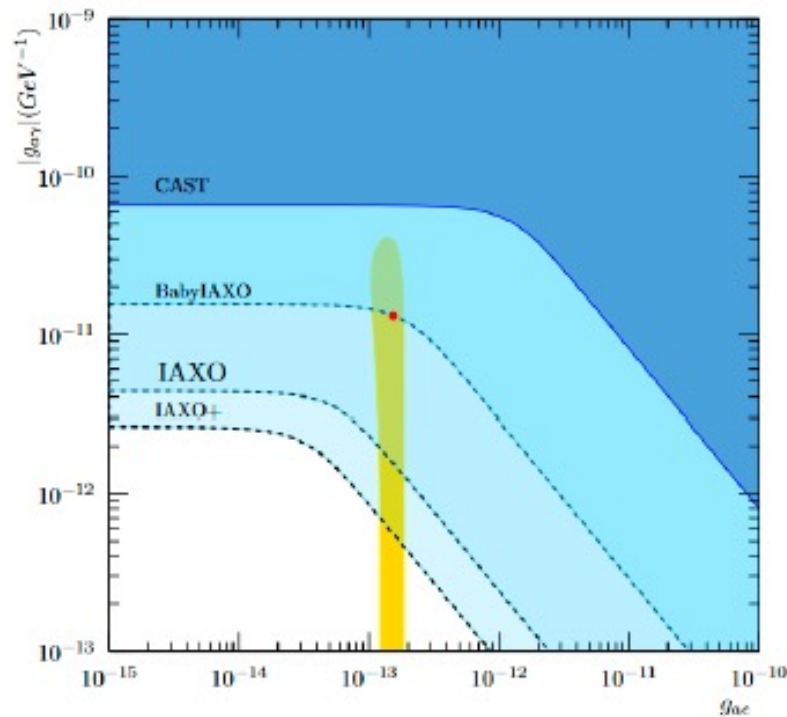
Di Luzio *et al* 2022 *Eur. Phys. J. C* 82:120
CAST collaboration *et al* 2009 *JCAP* 12 002
D. Miller *et al* 2010 *JCAP* 1003 032
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Solar Axion Searches

Detection Helioscope

Parameter space showing the sensitivity of the experiments in the $g_{a\gamma}$ - g_{ae} plane

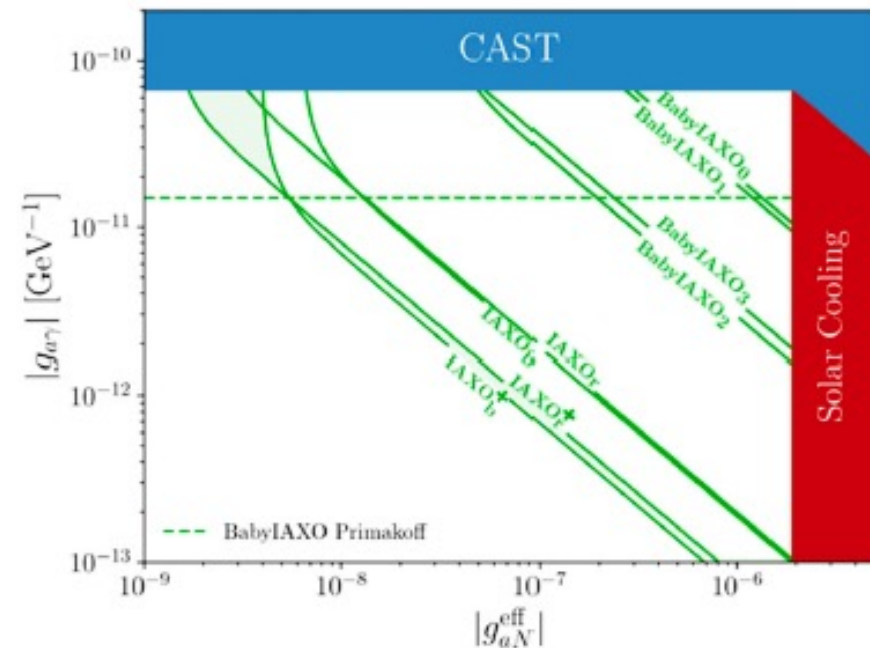
- Axion mass $m_a \simeq 1\text{meV}$



Physics potential of the International Axion Observatory (IAXO) [JCAP06\(2019\)047](#)

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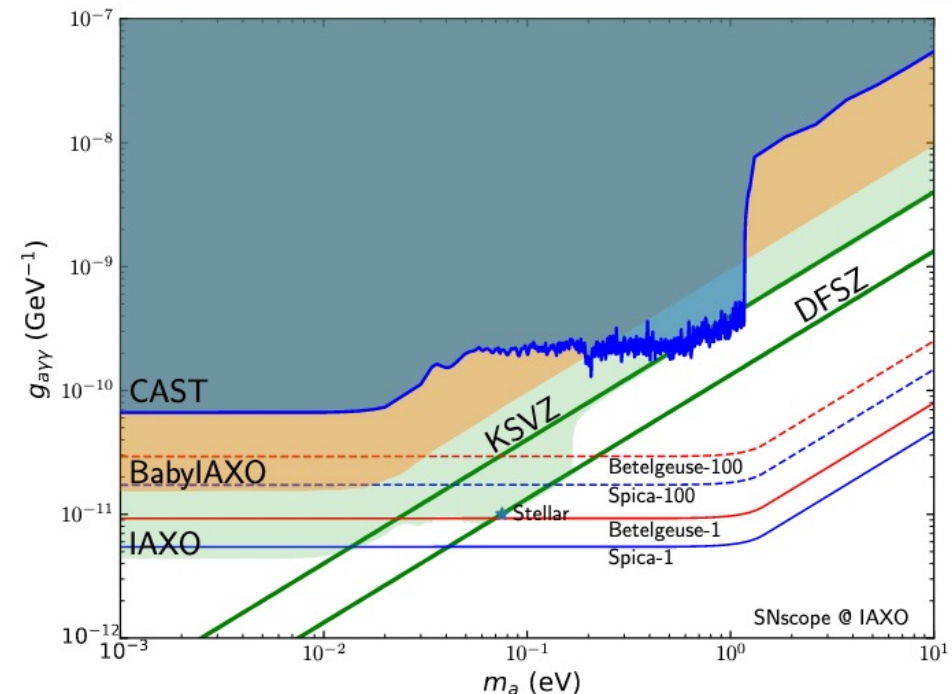
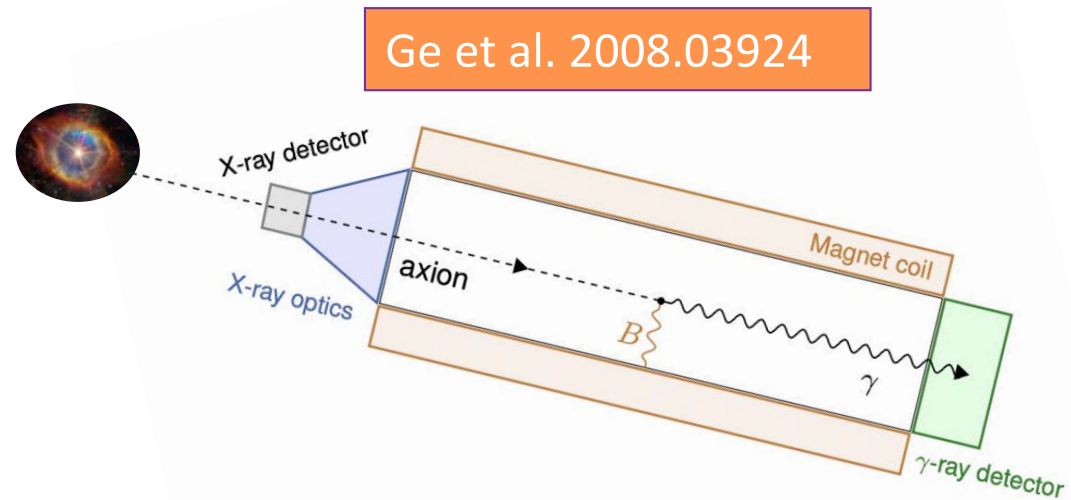
- Axion mass $m_a \simeq 20\text{meV}$



Probing the axion–nucleon coupling with the next generation of axion helioscopes [Eur. Phys. J. C \(2022\) 82:120](#)

Axion from galactic supernova

- If a sufficiently close-by galactic SN explodes, SN axions could be detectable at (Baby)IAXO.
- SN axions have $O(100\text{MeV})$ energies
- Requires IAXO to be equipped with large HE g-ray detector, covering all magnet bore, sufficient pointing accuracy, alert system in place
- Can be implemented complementary to baseline BabyIAXO setup by using opposite side of magnet.

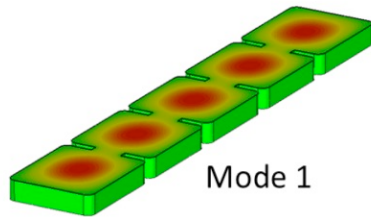
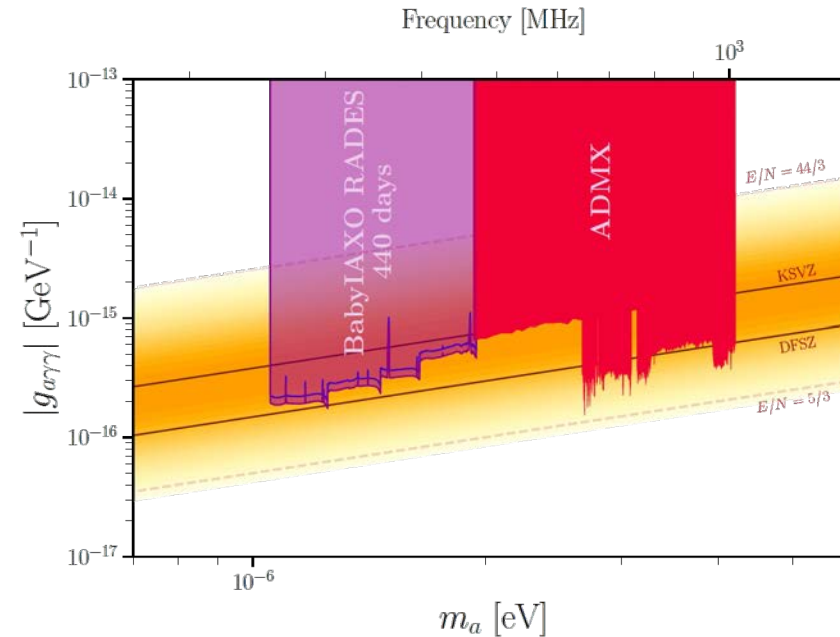


IAXO Physics

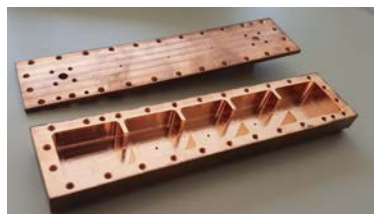
Beyond baseline physics

Ahyoune et al. (RADES Collaboration) arxiv:2306.17243

- Use of (Baby)IAXO large magnetic volume for axion DM setups
- Very competitive prospects for 1-2 meV axion searches.
- DarkQuantum!



New geometry concepts to scale in V but keeping high resonant f



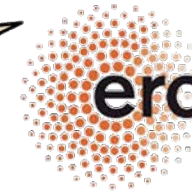
JCAP 05 (2018) 040
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I. Irastorza (U. Zaragoza), T. Kontos (École Normale Supérieure de Paris), S. Paroanu (Aalto University), W. Wernsdorfer (KIT)

ERC-Synergy Grant DarkQuantum obtained !

- Develop quantum tech for axions
- Quantum-enhanced haloscope in BabyIAXO
- Connection with experts (cryo, quantum,...)
- Contribution to magnet

DarkQuantum

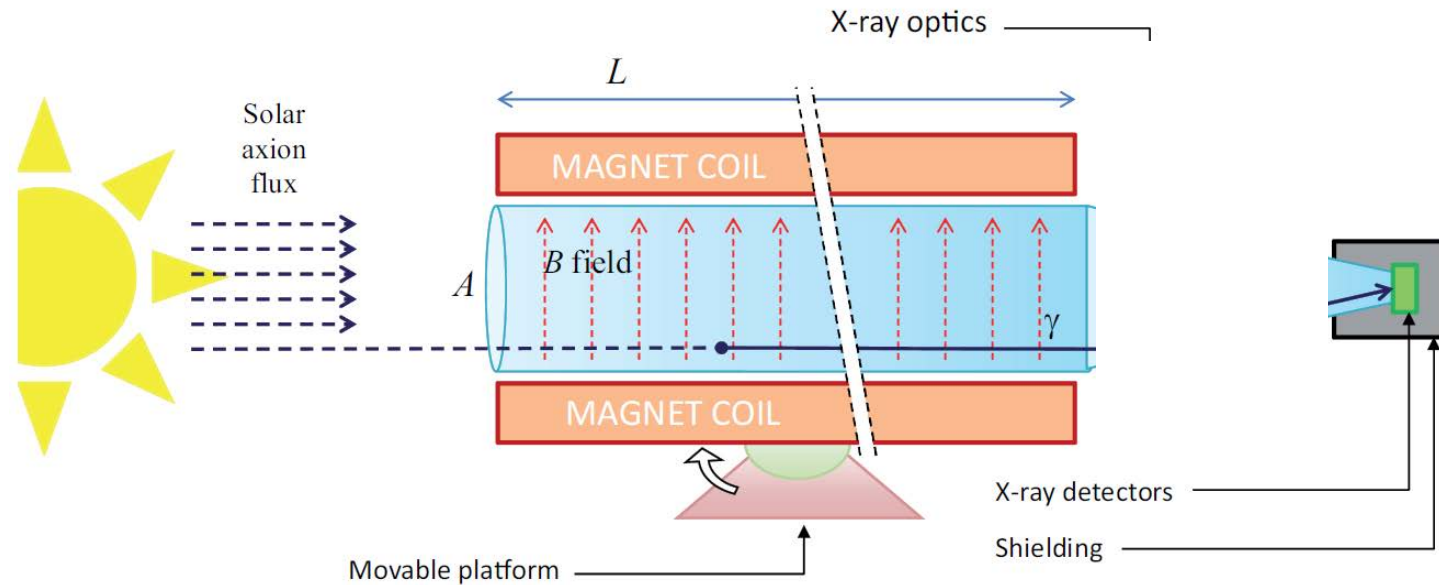


How do we surpass the current
state-of-the-art results?

Solar Axion Searches

Helioscope Figure of Merit

Enhanced axion helioscope:
Irastorza et al 2011
JCAP 1106, 013



Measure of sensitivity to axion-photon interaction:

The smaller $g_{a\gamma}$ the better!

$$g_{a\gamma}^4 \propto \underbrace{(BL)^{-2} A^{-1}}_{\text{magnet}} \times \underbrace{t^{-1/2}}_{\text{exposure}}$$

B = magnetic field
 L = magnet length
 A = cross-sectional area
 t = time

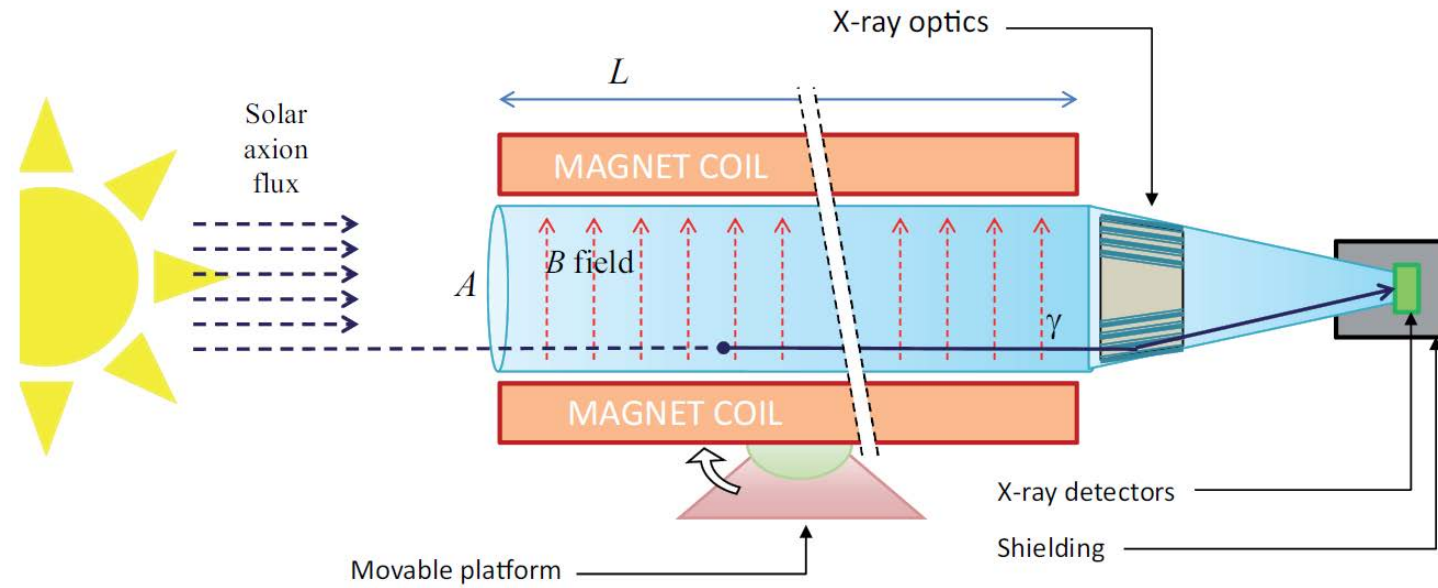
$$b^{1/2} \varepsilon^{-1}$$

detectors
 b = background
 ε = efficiency

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B = magnetic field
 L = magnet length
 A = cross-sectional area
 t = time
 s = spot size
 ϵ_0 = efficiency
 b = background
 ϵ = efficiency

Expect improvement for next gen (International Axion Observatory):
1–1.5 orders of magnitude in sensitivity to $g_{a\gamma}$ (factor of 10000-20000 in S/N)

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Next-gen experiments

CAST



$$g_{ay} \lesssim 0.66 \times 10^{-10} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$



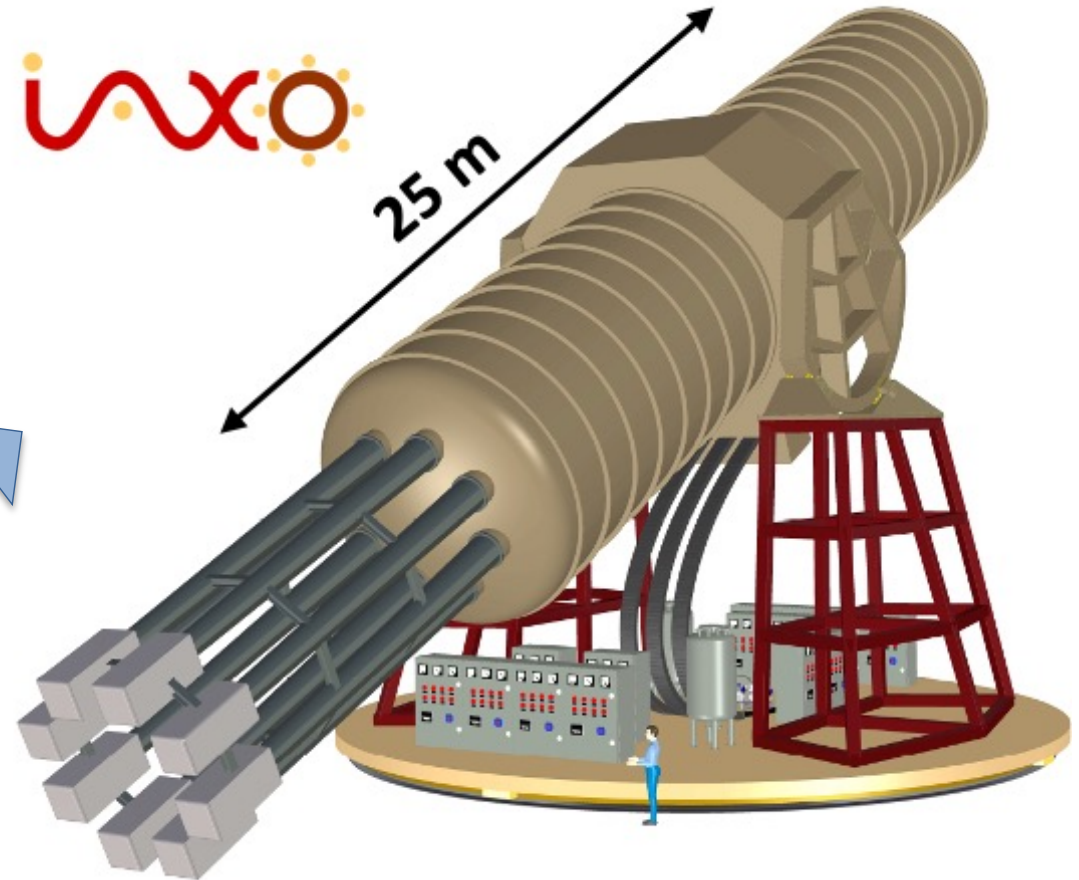
BabyIAXO



10 m

$$g_{ay} \lesssim \text{few } 10^{-11} \text{ GeV}^{-1} \text{ (expected)}$$

IAXO

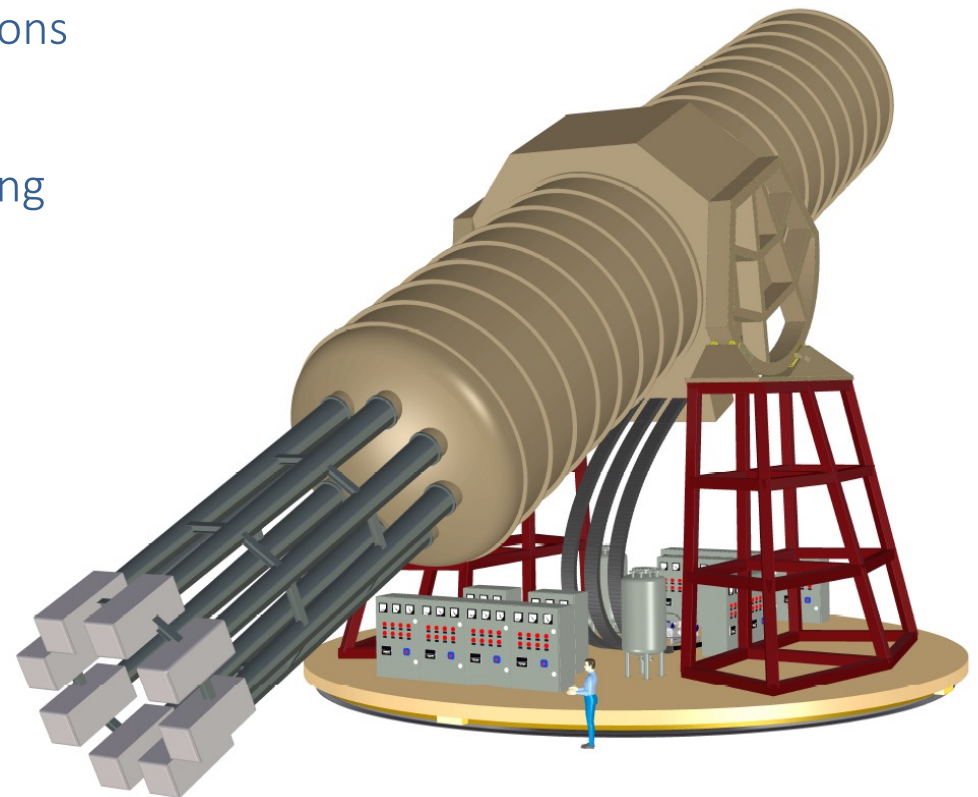


25 m

$$g_{ay} \lesssim \text{few } 10^{-12} \text{ GeV}^{-1} \text{ (expected)}$$

INTERNATIONAL AXION OBSERVATORY (IAXO)

- ✓ Next generation helioscope for solar axions
- ✓ Mature and state-of-the-art technology
- ✓ Purpose-built large-scale superconducting magnet
 - Toroidal geometry
 - 25 meters long, up to 5.4 T.
 - >300 times larger FoM than CAST magnet
 - 8 conversion bores of 60 cm \emptyset
- ✓ 8 detection lines
 - X-ray optics with 0.2 cm² focal spot
 - Ultra-low bgrd detectors
- ✓ 50% of Sun-tracking time.

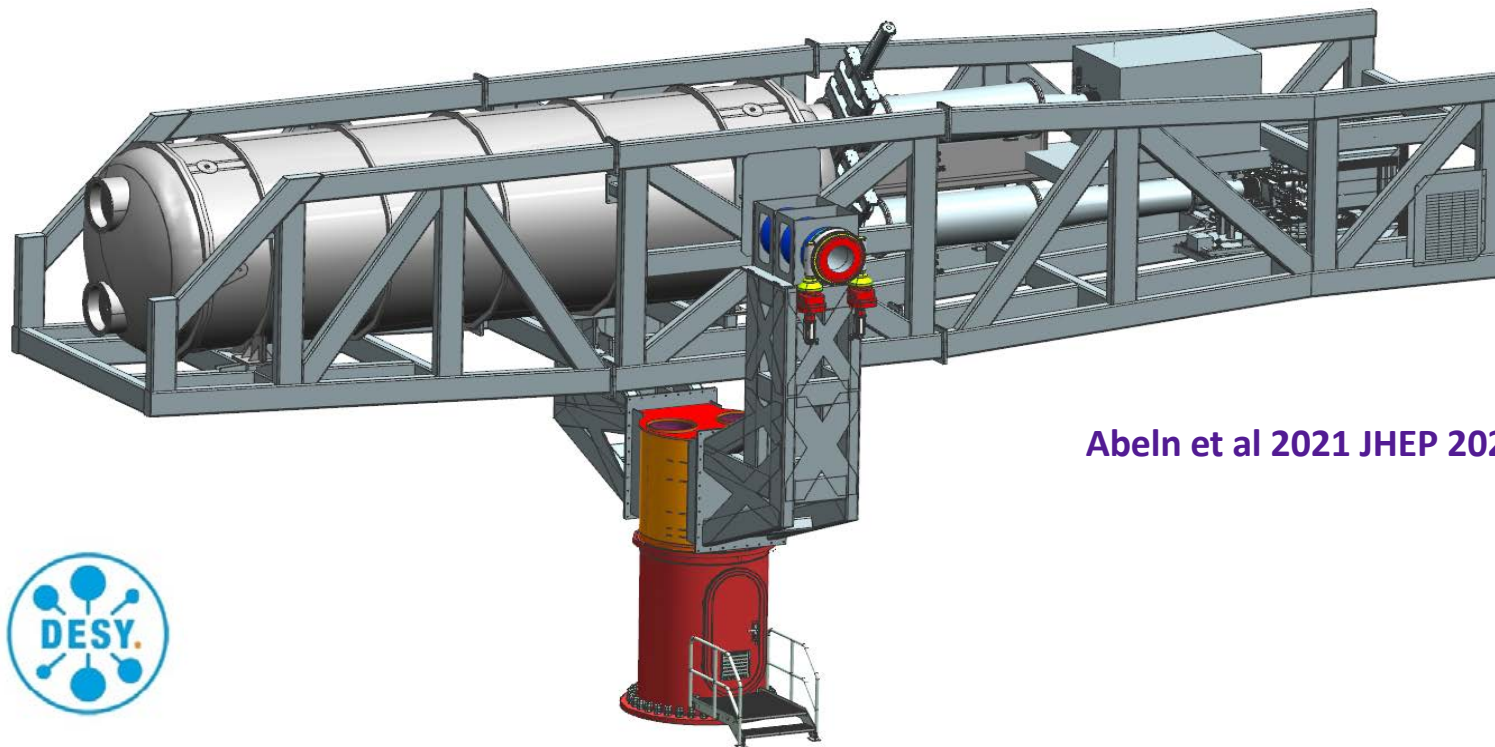


Armengaud et al 2014 JINST 9 T05002
Iraistorza et al 2011 JCAP 1106, 013



- **BABYIAXO =INTERMEDIATE EXPERIMENTAL STAGE BEFORE IAXO**

- ✓ Technological prototype of IAXO with only two magnet bores (10 m, \varnothing 70 cm) to be installed at DESY
- ✓ Relevant physical outcome ($\sim 10\times$ CAST B^2L^2A)
- ✓ Magnet will be upscalable version for IAXO
- ✓ X-ray optics/detectors close to final IAXO configuration (focal length, performance)



Abeln et al 2021 JHEP 2021 137

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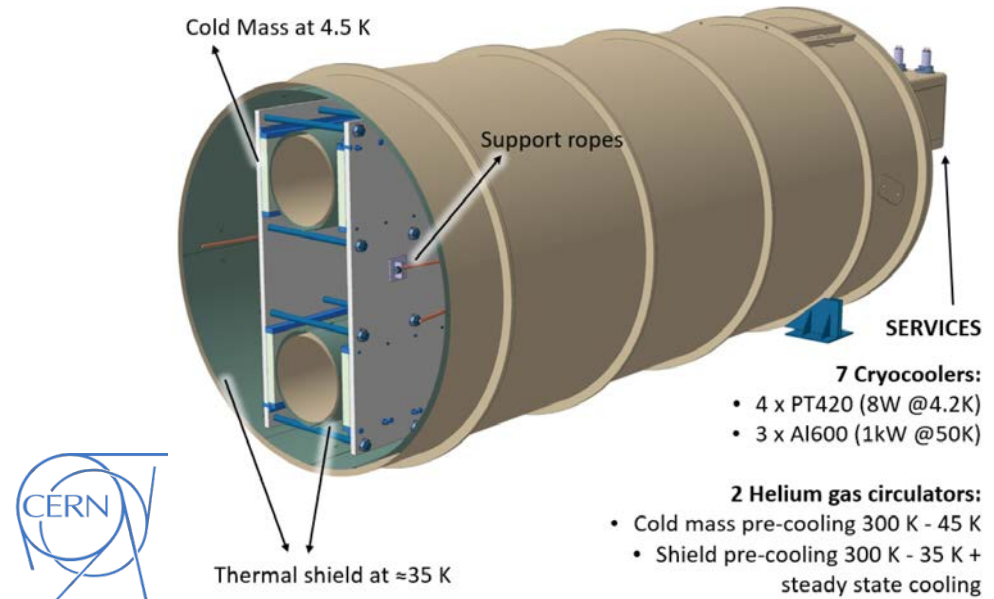
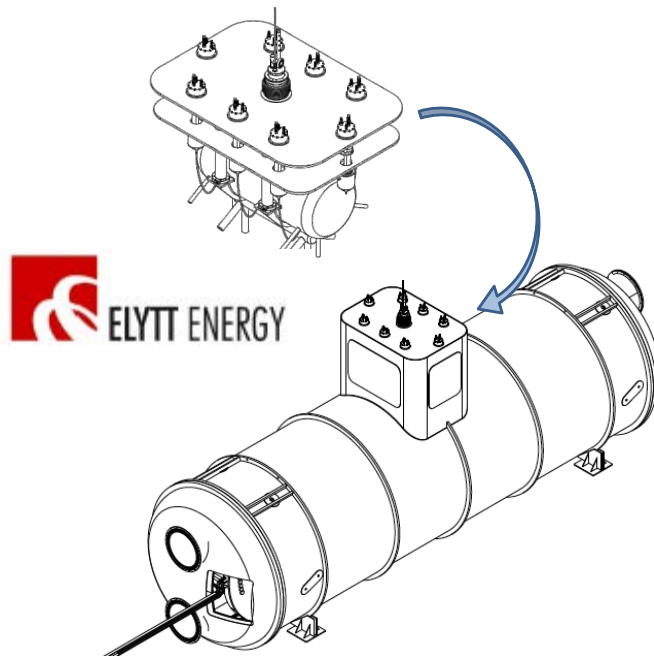
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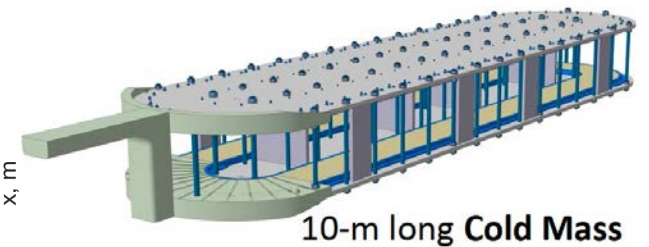
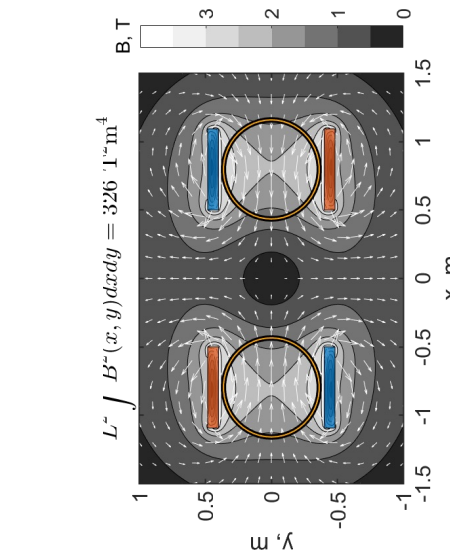
Solar Axion Searches

✓ BabyIAXO magnet to be operated at $T \leq 5$ K featuring Nb-Ti-based superconducting coils with about 2 T in the bore

- Nb-Ti is most affordable superconductor
- It is also mechanically ductile and robust
- Well studied work-horse conductor for most existing superconducting magnets

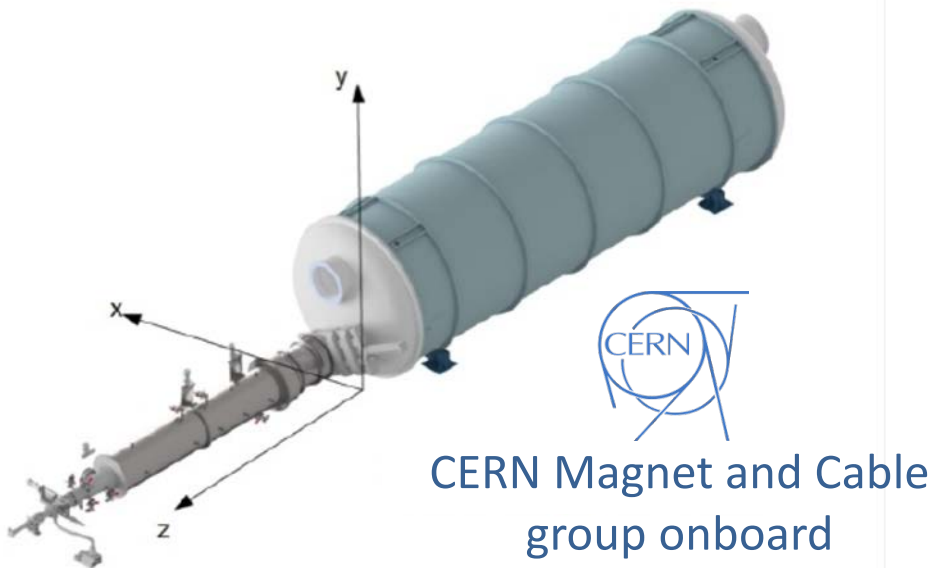
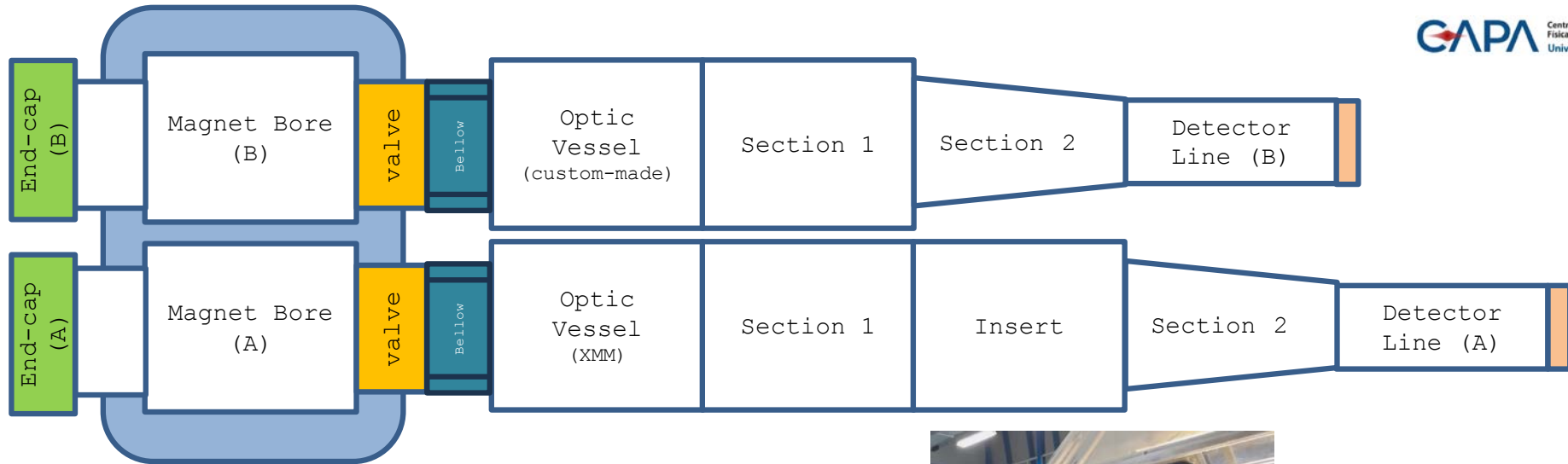


- 7 Cryocoolers:**
- 4 x PT420 (8W @4.2K)
 - 3 x AI600 (1kW @50K)
- 2 Helium gas circulators:**
- Cold mass pre-cooling 300 K - 45 K
 - Shield pre-cooling 300 K - 35 K + steady state cooling



MAGNET DEVELOPMENT

Solar Axion Searches



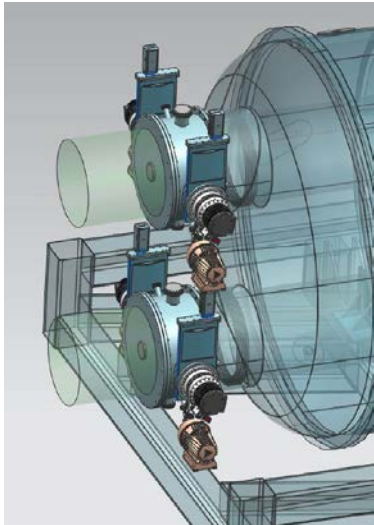
Contract for cable development recently signed



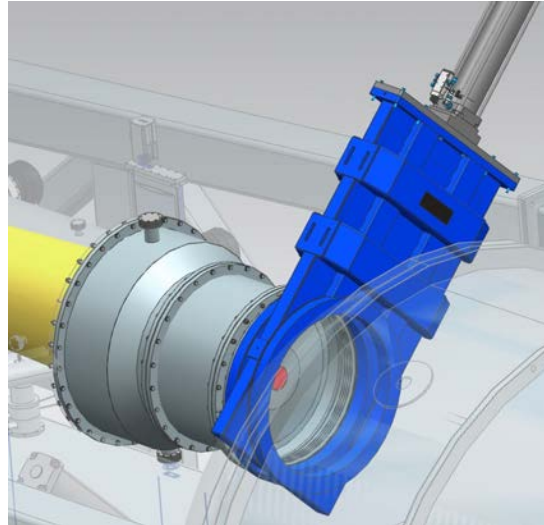
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BEAM LINE

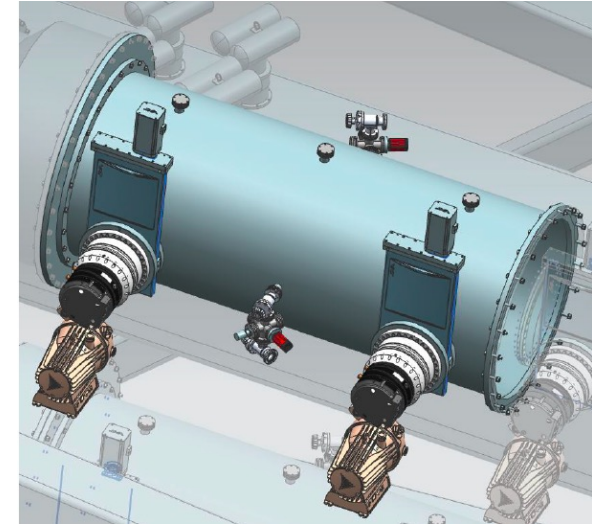
Solar Axion Searches



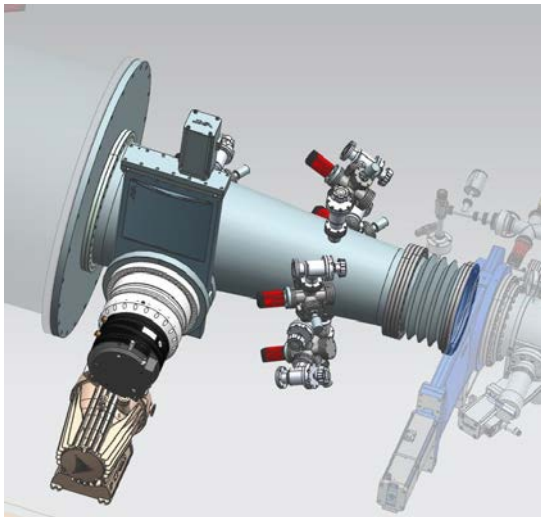
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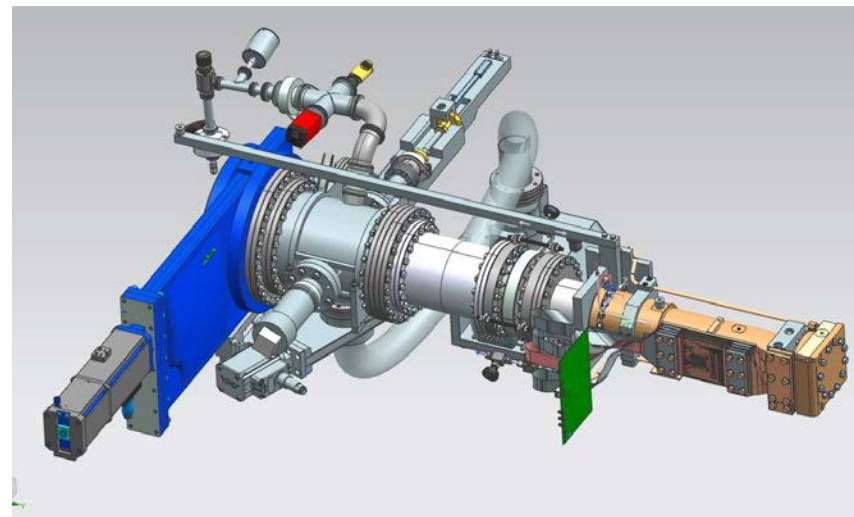
Magnet Telescope Vessel



Beam line Section 1



Beam line Section 2



Detector line

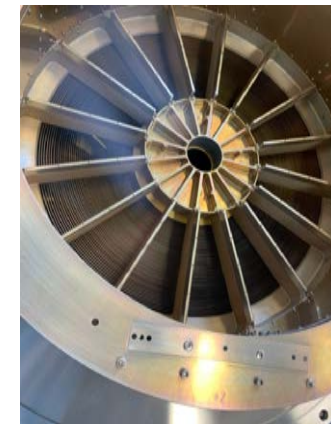


BEAM LINE

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- **BabyIAXO OPTIC APPROACH:**
- ✓ NEED: Maximized throughput efficiency (40-60%),
Small focal spot area ($r < 2.5$ mm)
- ✓ Baseline option (1-10 keV) (prototyping and R&D)
 - Bore 1: Existing XMM flight-spare telescope (replicated optics)
 - Bore 2: Custom IAXO optic (single- or multilayer-coated, segmented-glass or Al-foil Wolter-I, NuSTAR/XRISM/ATHENA)
- ✓ Beyond baseline (funding request pending)
 - Lower threshold of 0.3 keV or better
 - Add sensitivity at 14.4 keV

Henriksen et al 2021 AO 60, 22
Iraistorza et al 2015 JCAP 12, 008



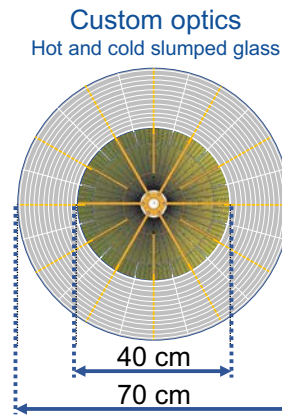
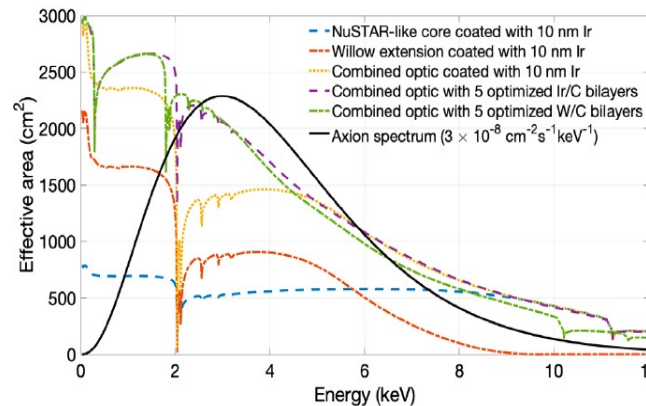
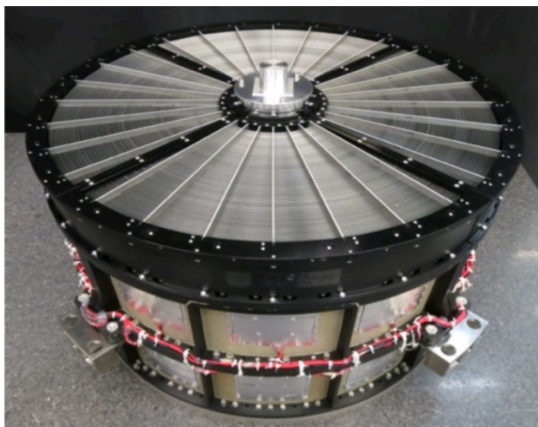
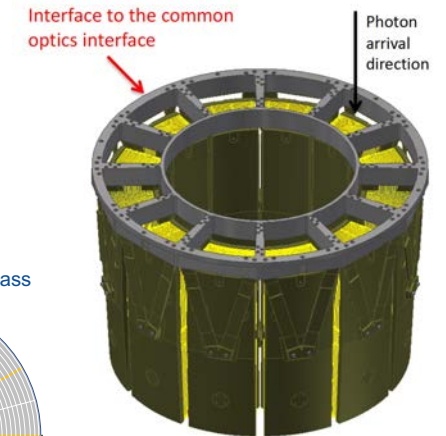
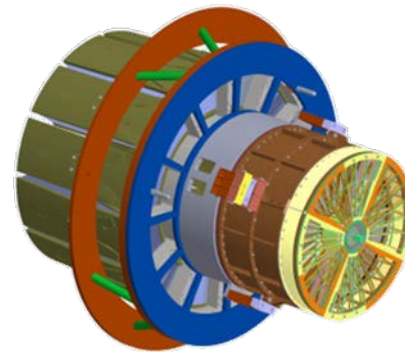
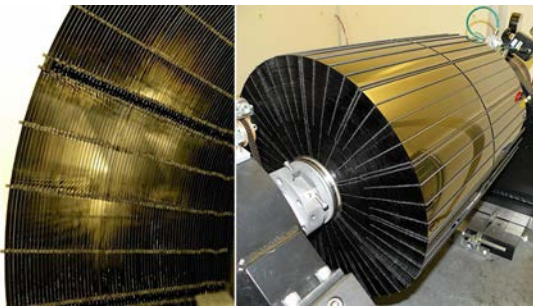
Leveraging decades of research by NASA and ESA for space instrumentation: minimal risk and superior performance

Solar Axion Searches



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- ✓ IAXO-NuSTAR PATHFINDER @ CAST
- ✓ IAXO-CSGO/ATHENA PATHFINDER @ PANTER
- ✓ R&D for coating flat and curved substrates



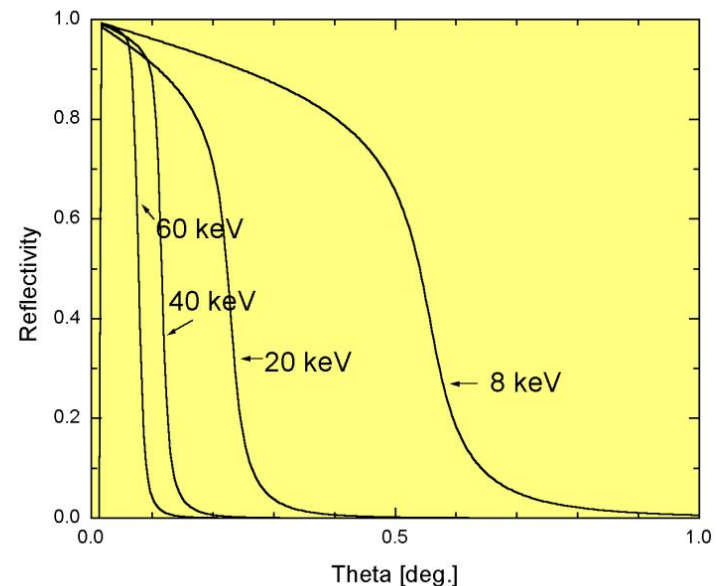
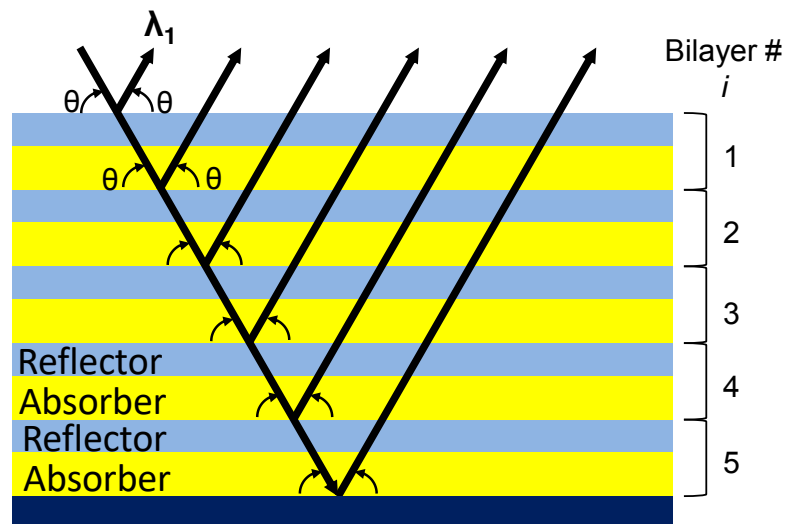
- CAD Design. Custom-optic beam line and cone of light.

X-ray Optics

Intro to X-ray coatings:

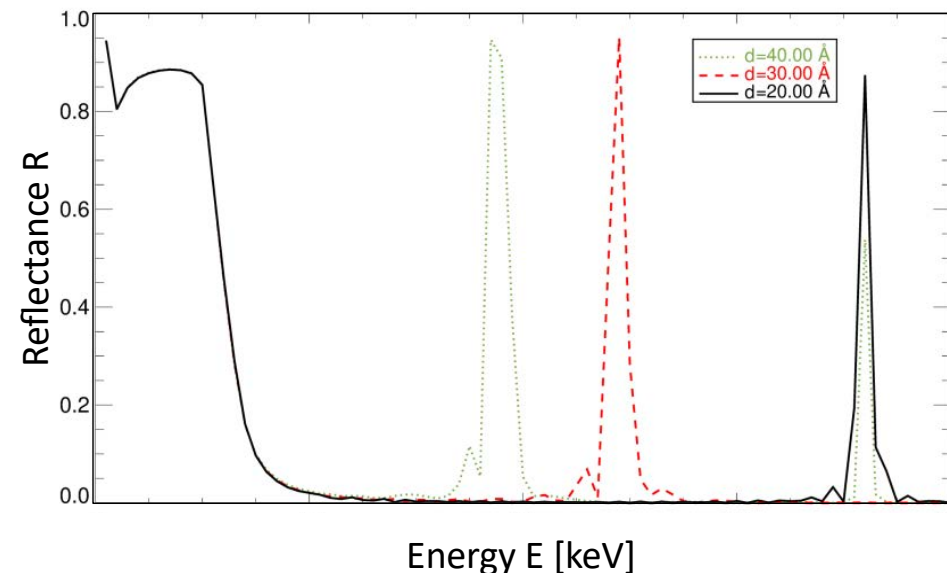
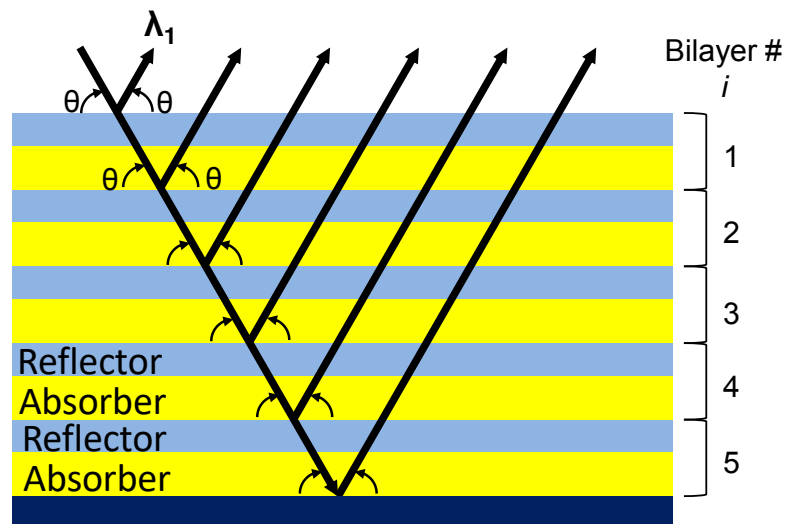
- ✓ Reflectivity (from total external reflection) for metallic (Au, Pt, Ir) coatings high up to critical angle (θ_c) which depends on photon energy and mirror material
- ✓ For larger x-ray energies (> 10-15 keV): metallic coatings no longer efficient enough (shallow angles, single reflection)
- ✓ Multilayer coatings to extend energy range (or optimize response <10 keV) by making use of Bragg's law:

$$\lambda m = 2d \sin \theta$$



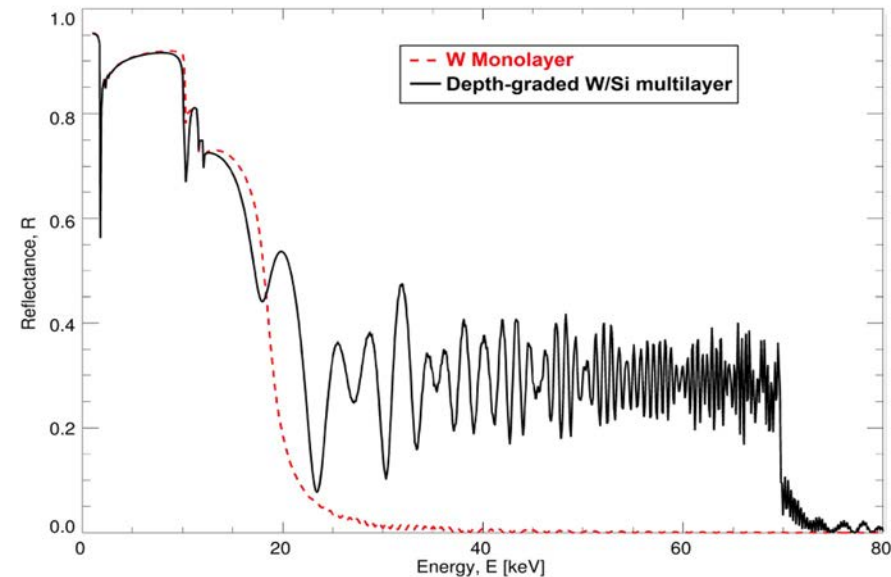
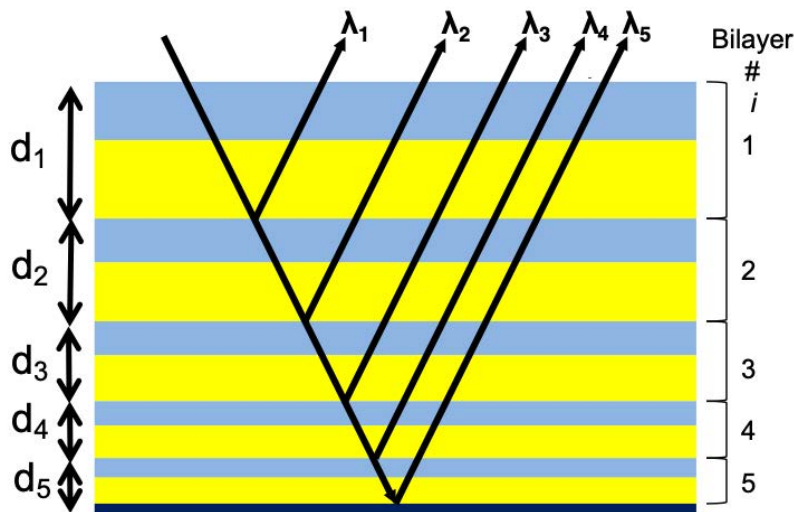
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- ✓ Tuning the period (with const- d throughout the stack) to maximize reflectivity for specific E
- ✓ Larger energies require smaller periods—current practical limit is $d = 1.5$ nm



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- ✓ For larger x-ray energies ($> 10\text{-}15\text{ keV}$): metallic coatings no longer efficient enough (shallow angles, single reflection)
- ✓ Other options like depth-graded d-spacing, aperiodic multilayers etc for increased flexibility, but extend energy width or tailored response is at the cost of high reflectivity



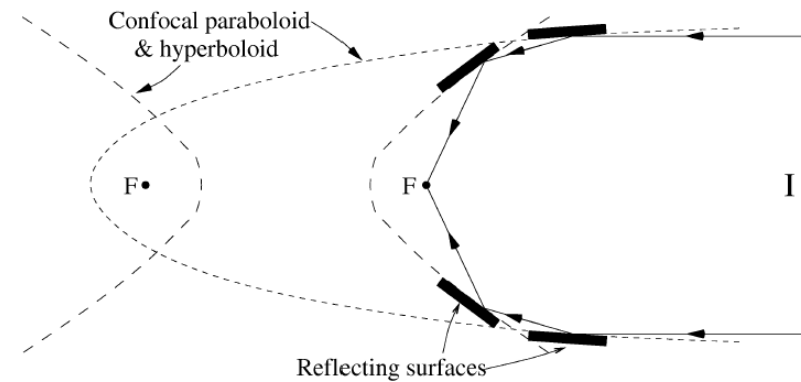
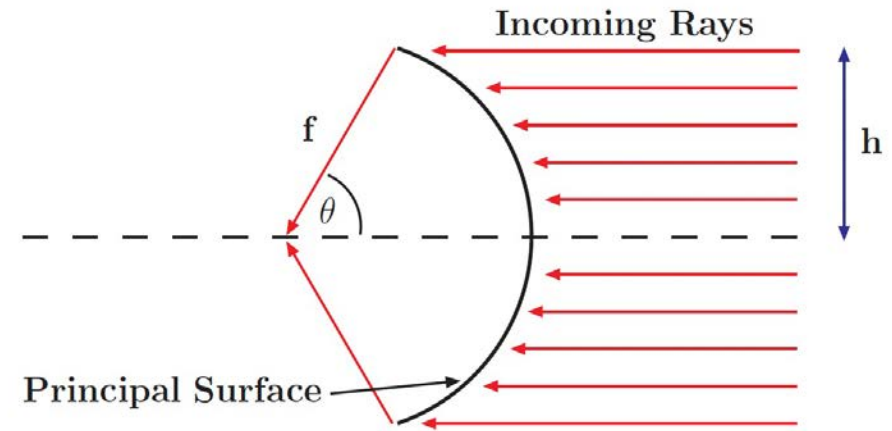
Multiparameter optimization that depends on science goals and priorities

Intro to X-ray optics:

- ✓ X-ray optics are based on the principle of total external reflection (TER) below critical angle → Grazing incidence optics
- ✓ In order to obtain sharp image (same focal spot for different h) over field of view, Abbe sine condition need to be satisfied:

$$f = \frac{h}{\sin(\theta)}$$

- ✓ H. Wolter (1952): Two conic surfaces of revolutions to nearly satisfy Abbe sine rule
- ✓ Three families of designs, one of which can be nested (Wolter I) and is widely used
- ✓ Wolter I has properties similar to a thin lens



H. Wolter 1952 *Phys. Ann.* 6 94.

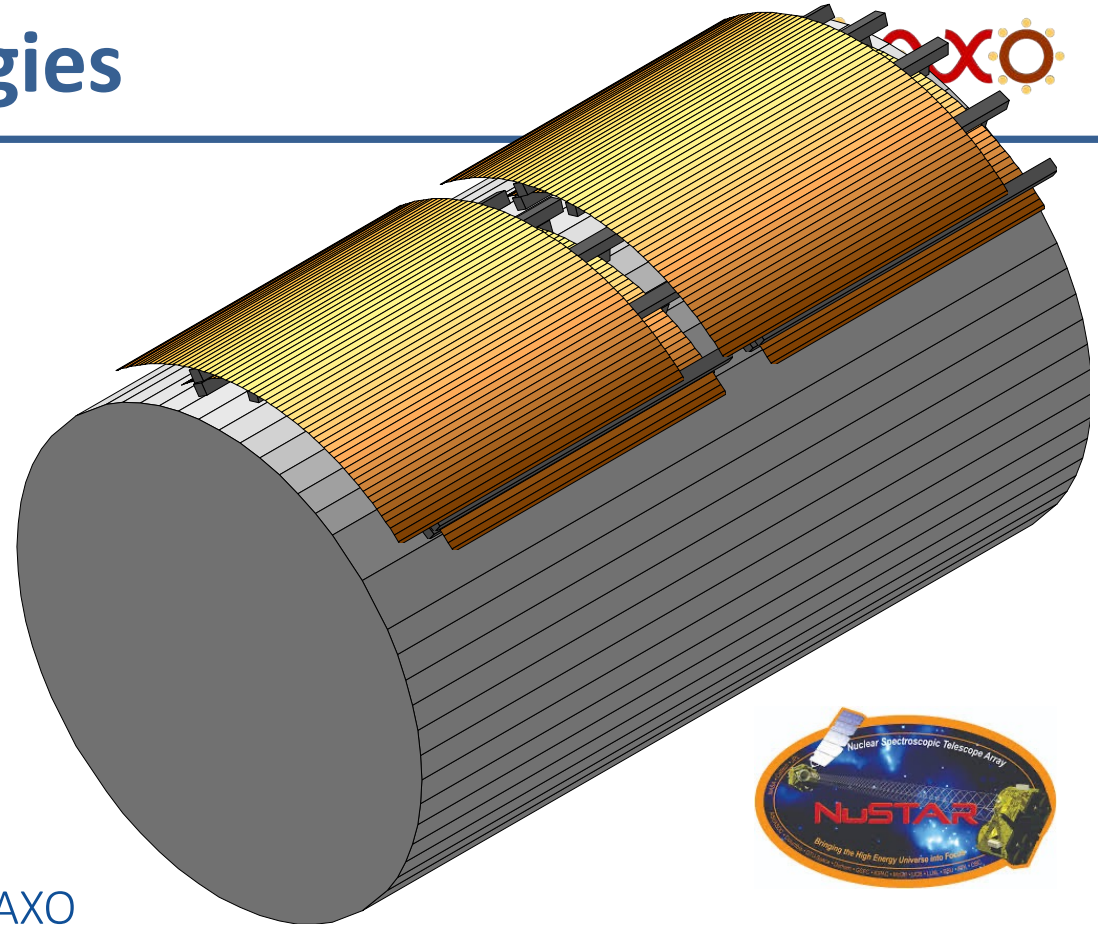
Advantages of Wolter optic:
Imaging capability, improvement of signal-to-noise, enables reduction of background

X-Ray optics technologies

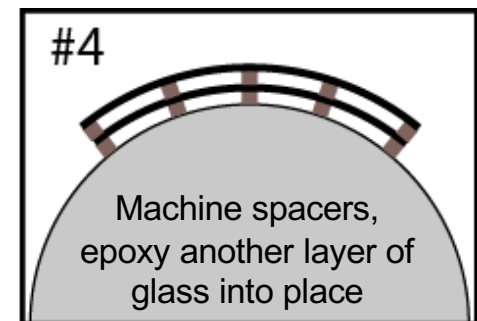
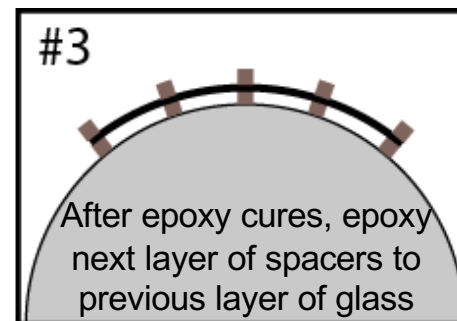
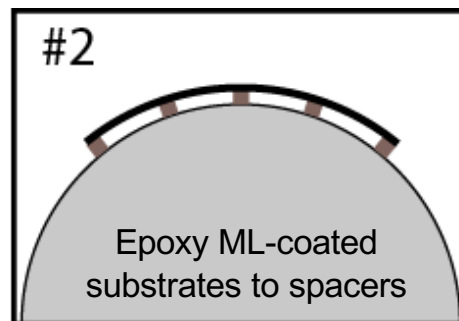
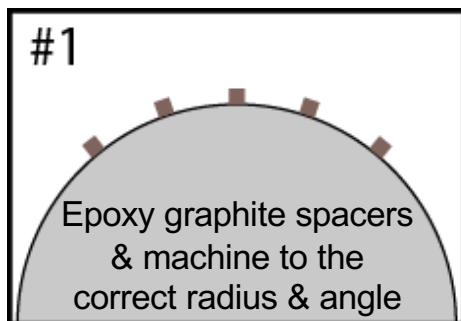


Intro to X-ray optics:

- ✓ Segmented optics rely on several individual pieces of substrates to complete a single layer
- ✓ Selected as baseline technology for (B)IAXO, because
 - Mature technology/Expertise
 - Single/multilayer coatings can be deposited
 - Cost-effective
 - Modest imaging requirements for IAXO

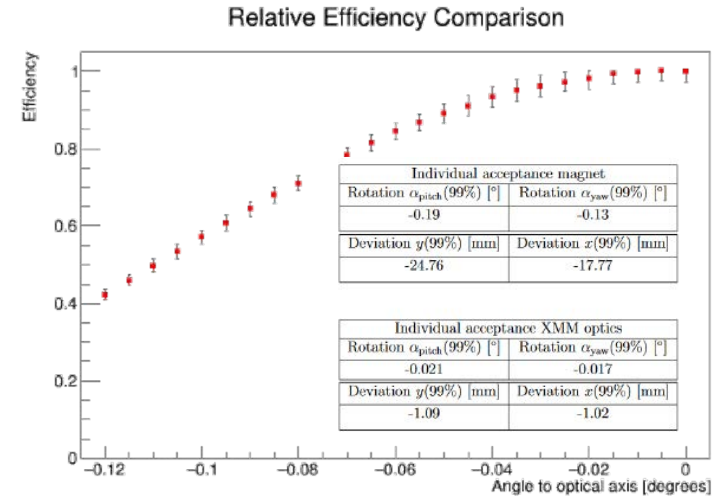
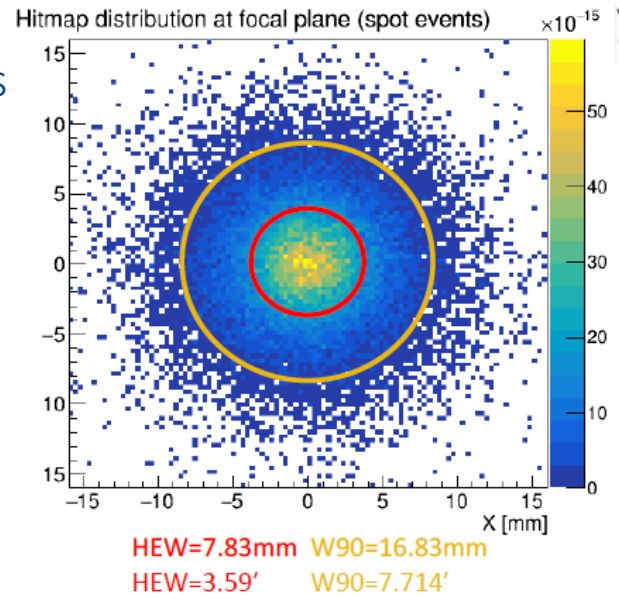


JE Koglin et al. Proc. SPIE, 4851:607 (2003)

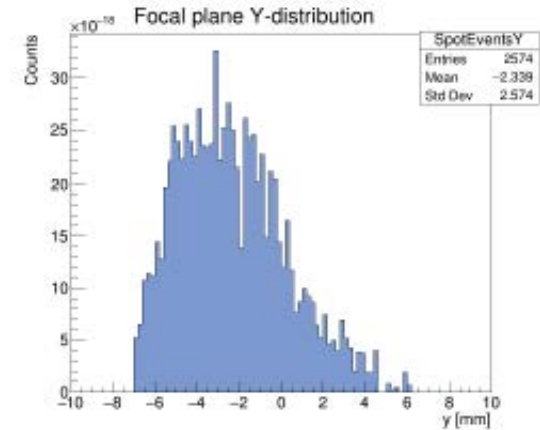
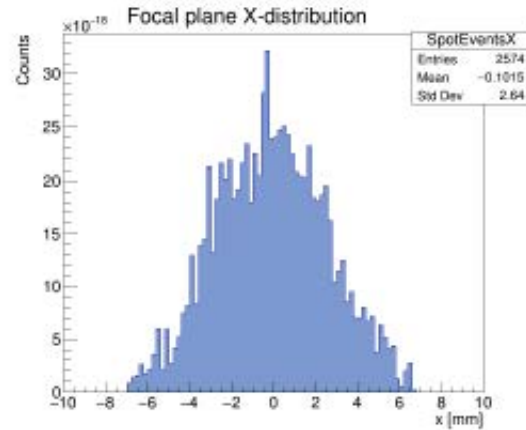
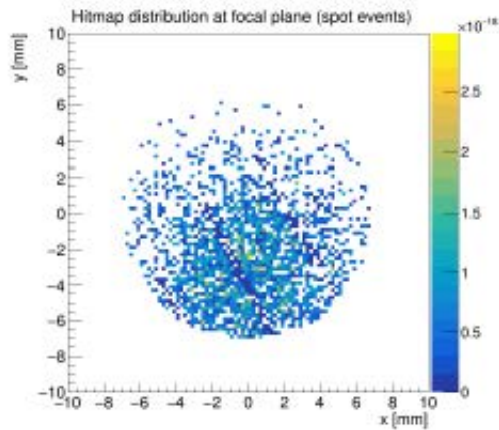


Solar Axion Searches

- ✓ Run with 100 000 events
- ✓ Primakoff flux
- ✓ Vacuum phase
- ✓ XMM optics
- ✓ No detector window
- ✓ REST v2.3.15



Magnet and optics rotation



Acceptance Studies

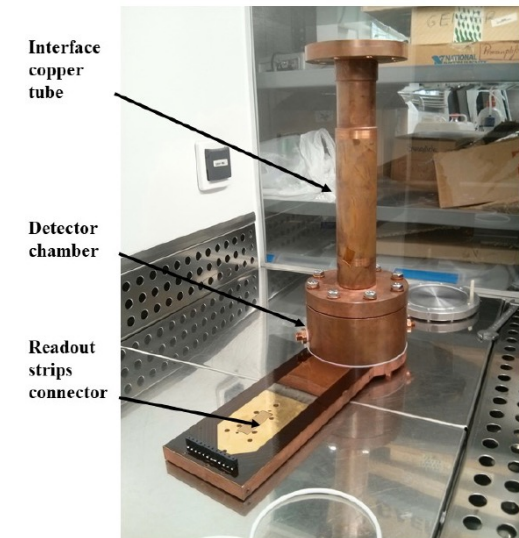
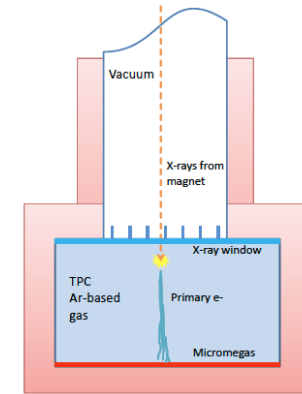
Solar Axion Searches

- **NEED (Baseline 1-10 keV):**

- ✓ Low background ($< 10^{-7} - 10^{-8}$ cts keV⁻¹ cm⁻² s⁻¹)
 - Less than 1 event per 6 months of data taking!
 - Already demonstrated
 - $\sim 8 \times 10^{-7}$ cts keV⁻¹ cm⁻² s⁻¹ (in CAST 2014 result) and
 - 10^{-7} cts keV⁻¹ cm⁻² s⁻¹ measured underground at the Canfranc Laboratory (LSC)
- ✓ High detection efficiency

- **WANT:**

- ✓ Low E-threshold (< 1 keV) and great E-resolution
 - Especially interesting for axion-electron measurements
 - Notably useful in case an axion signal is detected



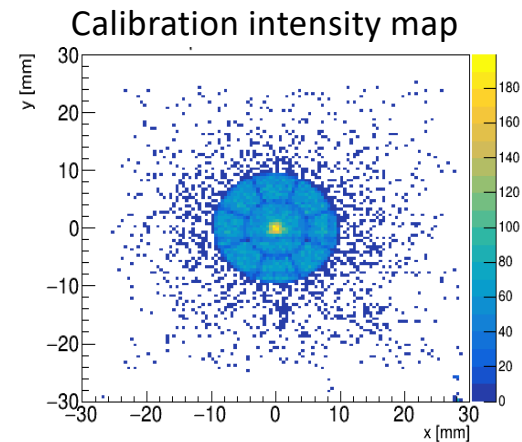
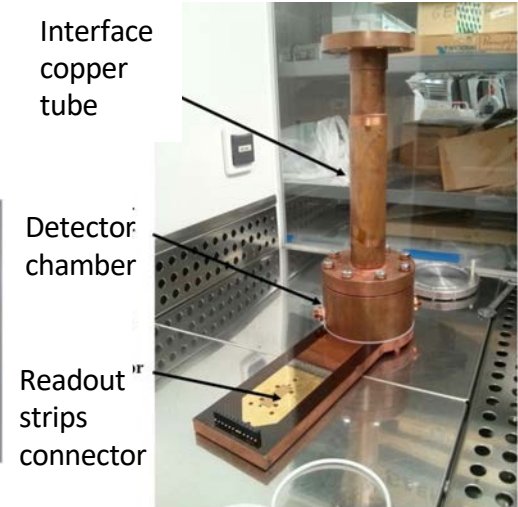
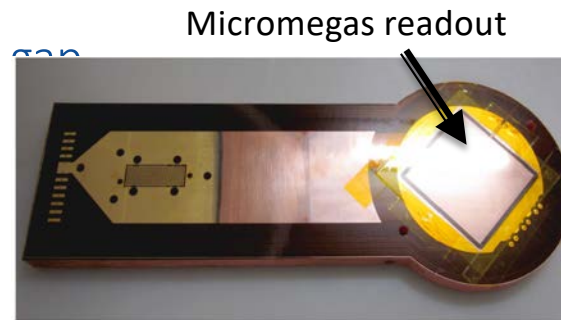
Detectors

Micromegas best option to reach required low background Additional technologies considered and undergoing active R&D efforts (GridPix, MMC, TES, SDD)

Solar Axion Searches

▪ Microbulk Micromegas detectors

- ✓ Very homogeneous amplification uniform gain
- ✓ Intrinsically radiopure
- ✓ Good energy and spatial resolution
- ✓ Pixelized readout gives topological information
- ✓ Signal reaches the active volume through a mylar window
- ✓ X-rays ionize the gas in the conversion region and the produced signal is read by the Micromegas
- ✓ Data is analyzed with the [REST-for-Physics framework](https://github.com/rest-for-physics) (github.com/rest-for-physics).

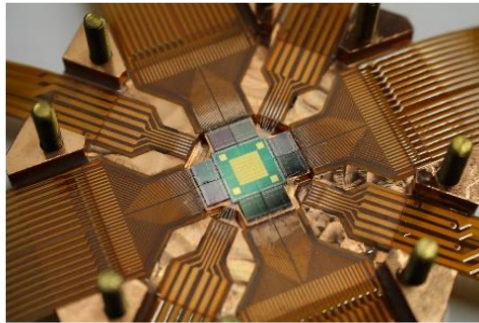
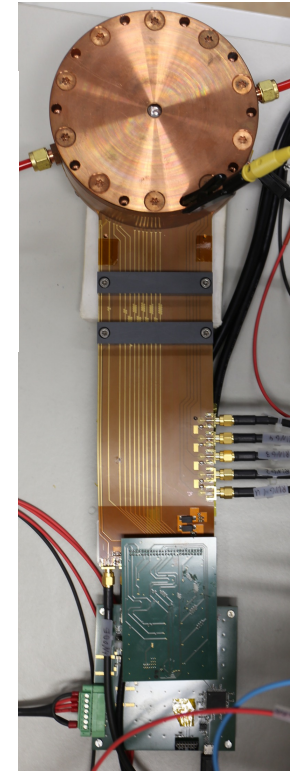


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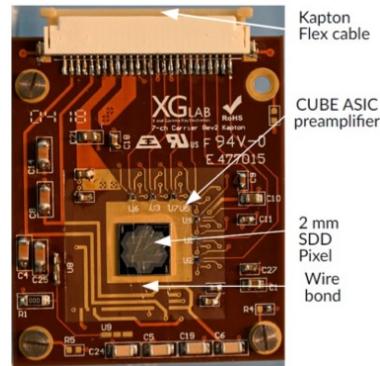
Solar Axion Searches

- Beyond baseline, “high-precision” detectors
- ✓ Better threshold & energy resolution
- ✓ Design and material optimization ongoing in all fronts
- ✓ Background studies with different shielding configurations
- ✓ DALPS project (French ANR)

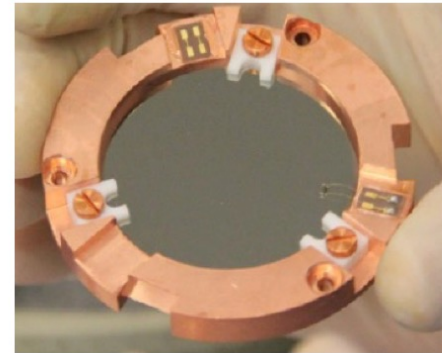
ERC-StG (2020)
M. Meyer
To understand bkg in TES



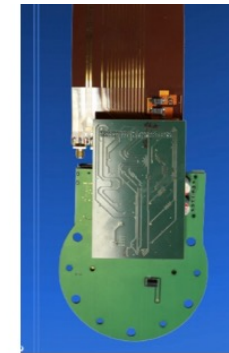
MMC: Metallic Magnetic calorimeters



SDD: Silicon Drift Detectors



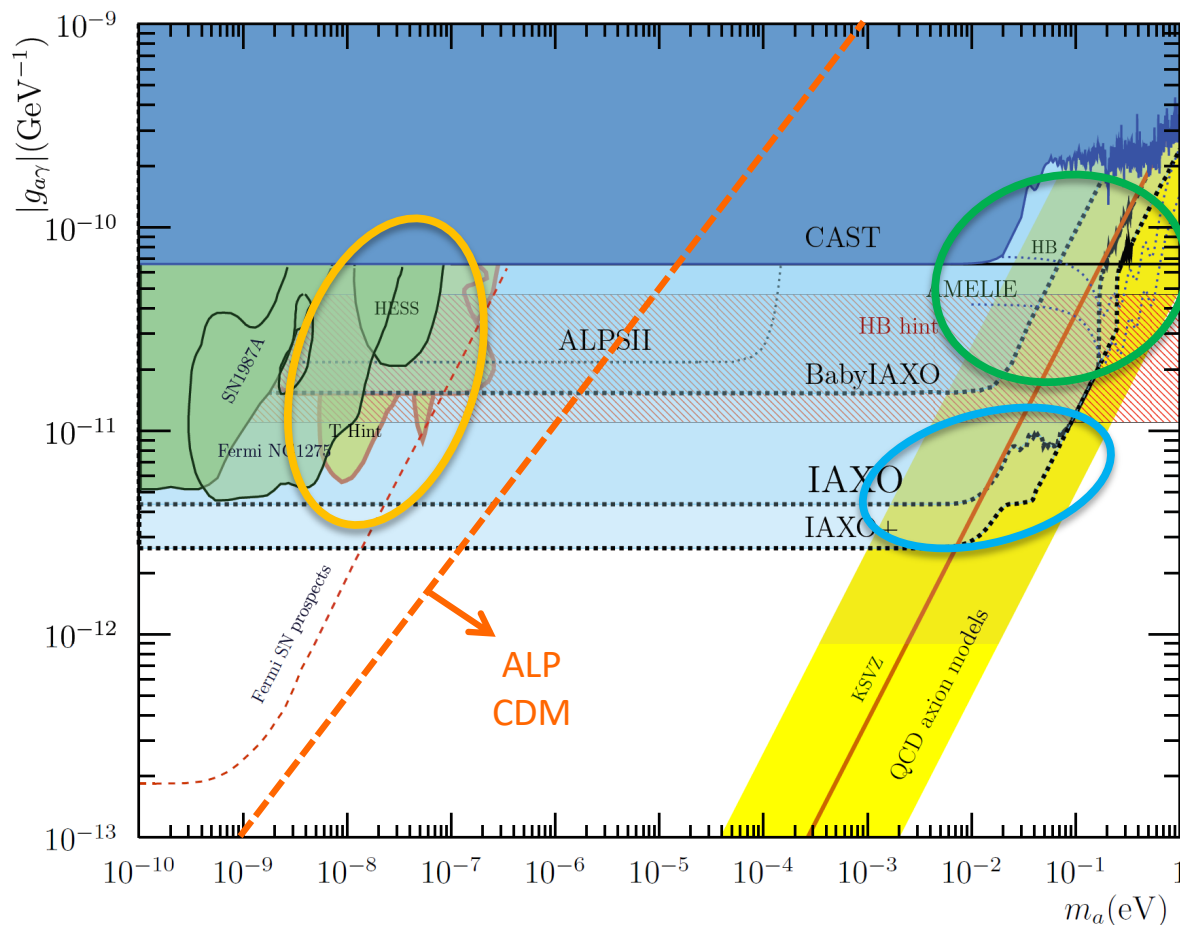
TES: Transition Edge sensors



Gridpix

Detectors

- ✓ Currently multiple new IAXO MM prototypes running in different locations (incl. Canfranc Underground Lab) with continuous improvements being made
- ✓ R&D ongoing for new detector technologies for high precision



- BabyIAXO prospects:
10 x MFOM_{CAST} + optics and detector from conservative scenario of Lol
- IAXO: > 300 x MFOM_{CAST} + optics and detector improvements
- IAXO+: Enhanced scenario with x 10 (x4) higher FOM (MFOM) with respect Lol

IAXO will probe large parts of QCD axion model space (KSVZ, DFSZ) including viable DM models

“ALP miracle” region: ALPs solving both DM & inflation (Daido et al. 2017 arXiv:1710.11107)

Large fraction of the axion & ALP models invoked in the “stellar cooling anomaly” (g_{ae} particularly interesting for this)

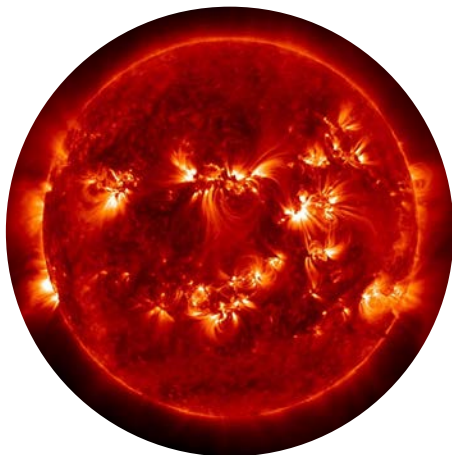
IAXO will fully explore ALP models invoked to solve the “transparency hint”

IAXO will also be able to probe large parameter space for CDM ALPs

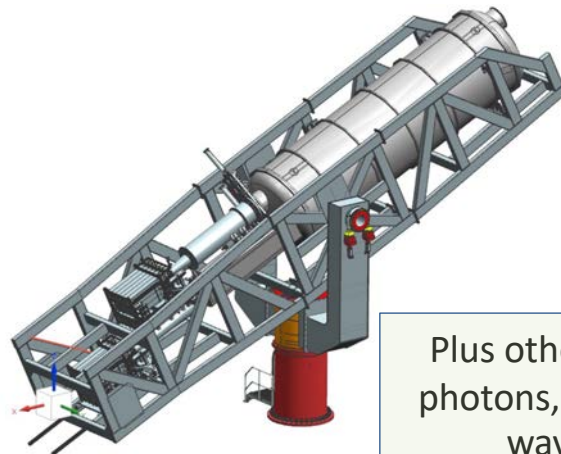
IAXO as a generic axion(-like) detection facility

- (Baby)IAXO constitutes a great infrastructure that can be used to target other physics goals beyond Primakoff solar axions:

Other (non-Primakoff) solar axion production mechanisms (a-e, a-N, ...)



Post-discovery “precision” physics (solar B and T, axion mass and model)



Axions from close-by supernova explosions



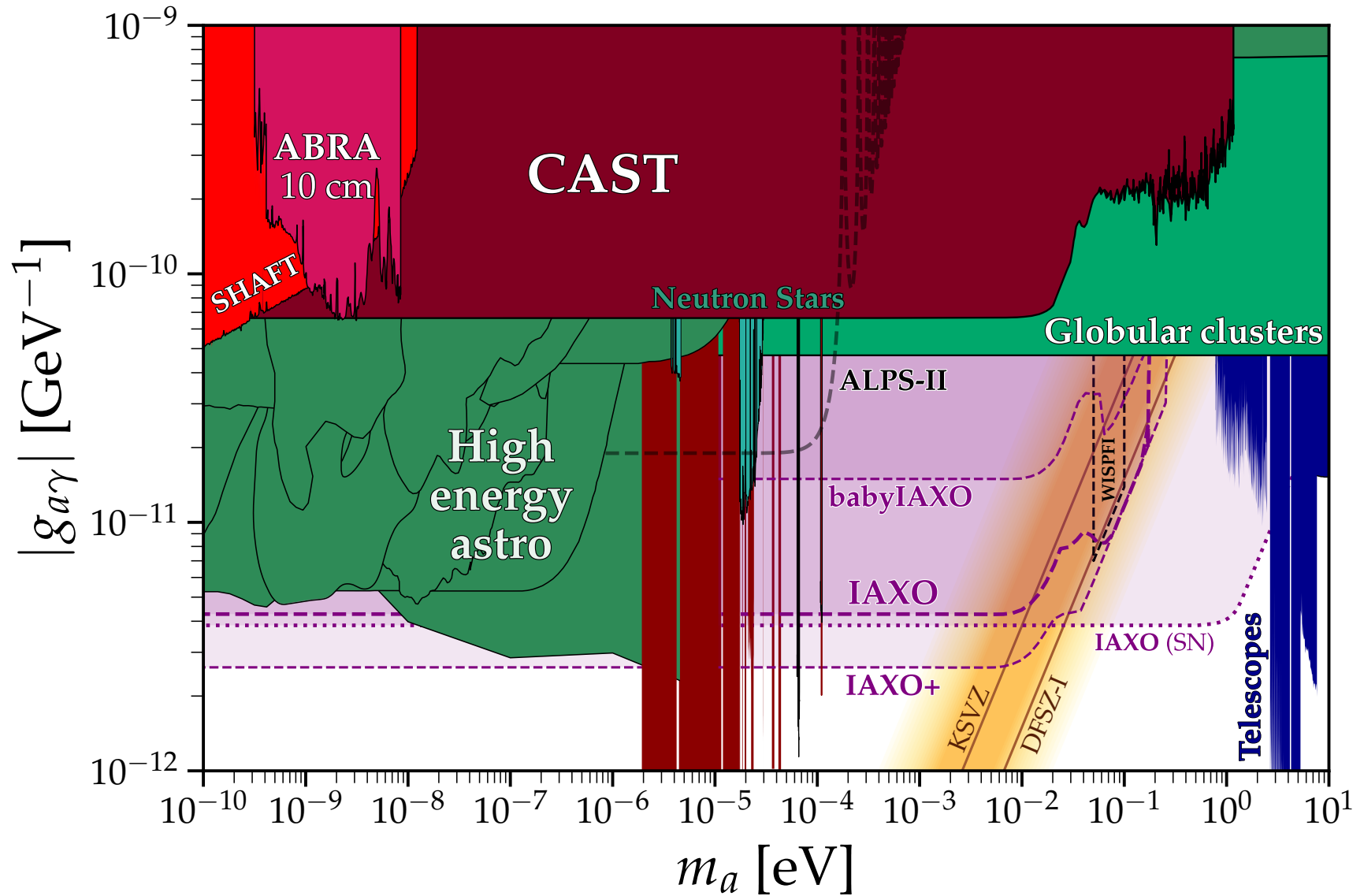
Dark Matter axions: haloscope setups inside the BabyIAXO bores



Plus other WISPs, such as hidden (dark) photons, chame-leons, etc., gravitational wave searches and NS studies

**Beyond Base
Line Science**

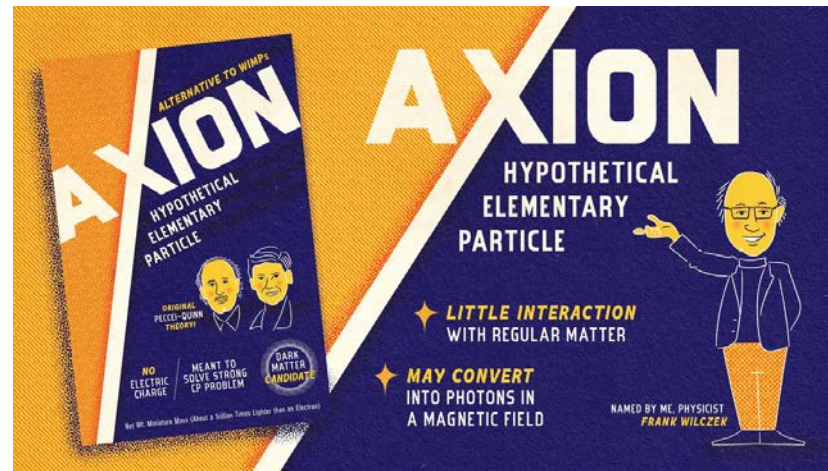
Adapted from <https://github.com/cajohare/AxionLimits>



Conclusions

- ✓ Axions are well motivated dark matter candidates simultaneously solving strong CP
- ✓ Axions (and axion-like particles) can be searched for in a variety of laboratory experiments: Haloscopes, Helioscopes and LSTW experiments
- ✓ Solar axion searches probe large regions of well-motivated axion parameter space
- ✓ BabyIAXO (IAXO) targets axion discovery with sensitivities down to a few 10^{-11} (10^{-12}) GeV^{-1} in $g_{a\gamma}$
- ✓ Intriguing IAXO physics cases beyond axion-photon (g_{ae} , g_{aN} , QCD, ALPs, astrophysical hints, dark photons, dark energy...)

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