

Axions and ALPs

hints and experiments

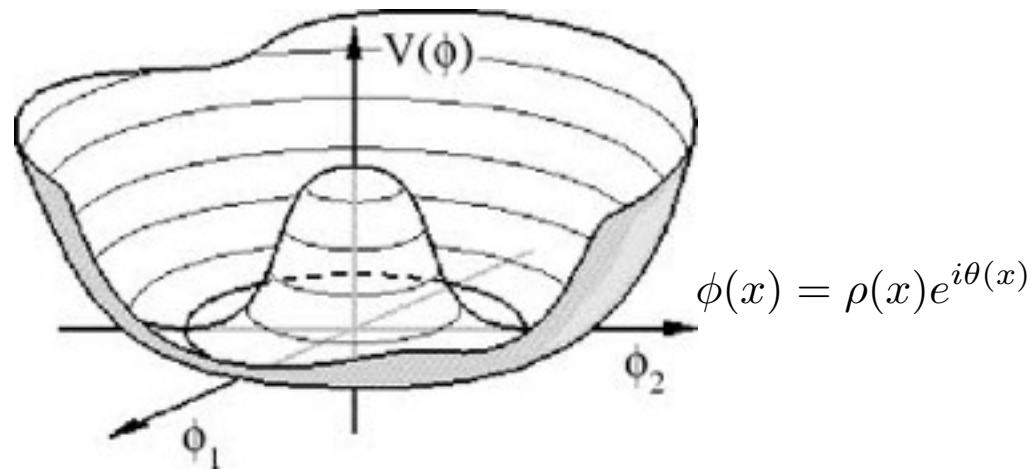
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Axion-like particles (ALPs)

pseudo Goldstone Bosons

- Global symmetry spontaneously broken



- massless Goldstone Boson @ Low Energy

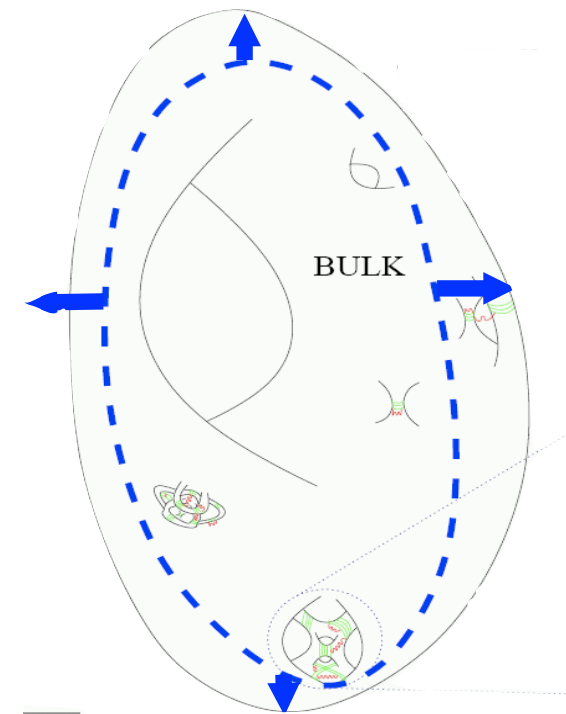
shift symmetry $\theta(x) \rightarrow \theta(x) + \alpha$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu \theta)(\partial^\mu \theta)f^2$$

- HE decay constant, $f = \langle \rho \rangle$
- small symmetry breaking $\longrightarrow$ small mass

stringy axions

- Im parts of moduli fields (control sizes)



- O(100) candidates in compactification
- “decay constant”, string scale M_s
- masses from non-perturbative effects

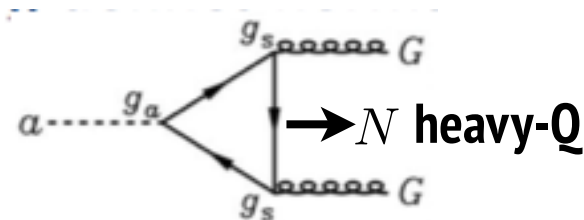
Low-energy effective action

- Shift symmetry allows some generic types of interactions

$$\mathcal{L}_a = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu \theta)(\partial^\mu \theta) f^2 + \sum_f c_f [\bar{f} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 f] \partial_\mu \theta - E \frac{\alpha}{8\pi} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} \theta$$

$$\mathcal{L}_a = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu a)(\partial^\mu a) + \sum_f g_{af} [\bar{f} \gamma_5 f] a - \frac{g_{a\gamma}}{4} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} a \quad \text{(canonically normalised)}$$

- SS breaking terms induce mass + new interactions (one example ...)



$\alpha \dots g_a \rightarrow N \text{ heavy-Q}$

$$\rightarrow N \frac{\alpha}{8\pi} \{ G_{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu} \} \theta \equiv \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} \{ G_{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu} \} \frac{A}{f_A}$$

$$\rightarrow V(A) \sim \frac{1}{2} \chi_{\text{QCD}} \left(\frac{A}{f_A} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{2} m_A^2 A^2$$

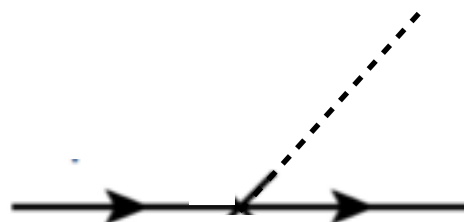
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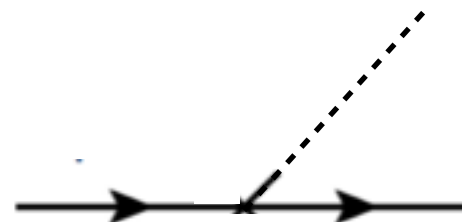
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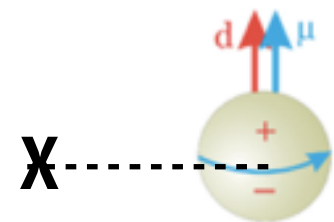
nucleon coupling

$$g_{Nf} [\bar{N} \gamma_5 N] a$$



~~CP~~ Neutron electric dipole

$$\propto \frac{1}{m_n} [F_{\mu\nu} \bar{n} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \gamma_5 n] \frac{A}{f_A}$$



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why!! $\theta_{\text{SM}} < 10^{-11}!!$

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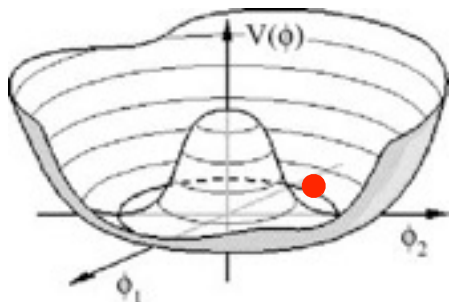
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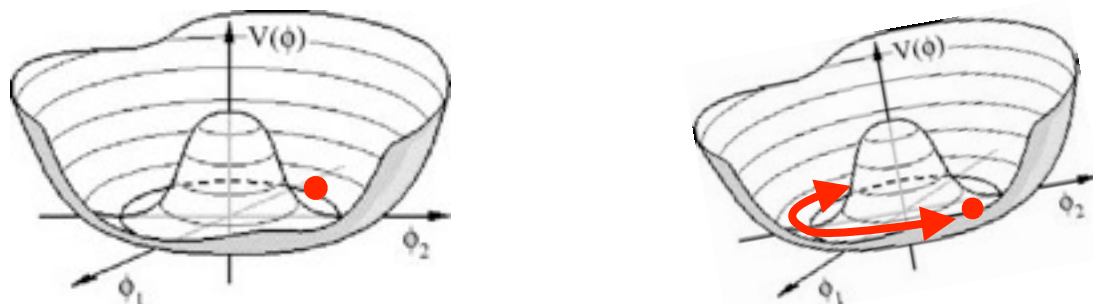
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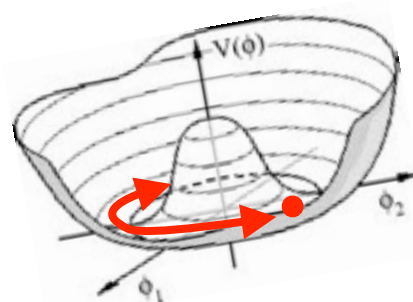
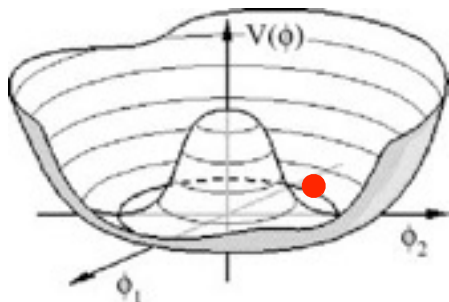
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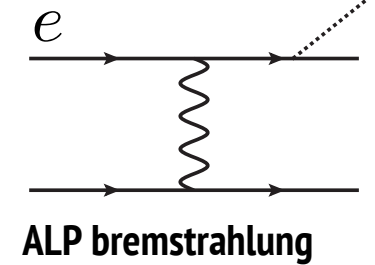
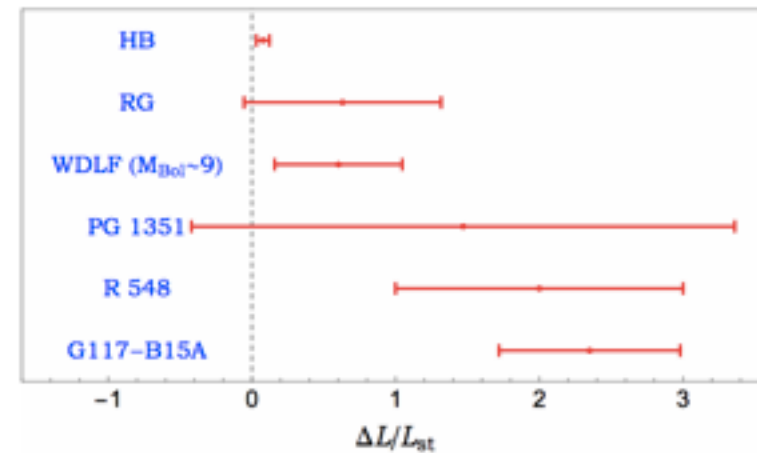
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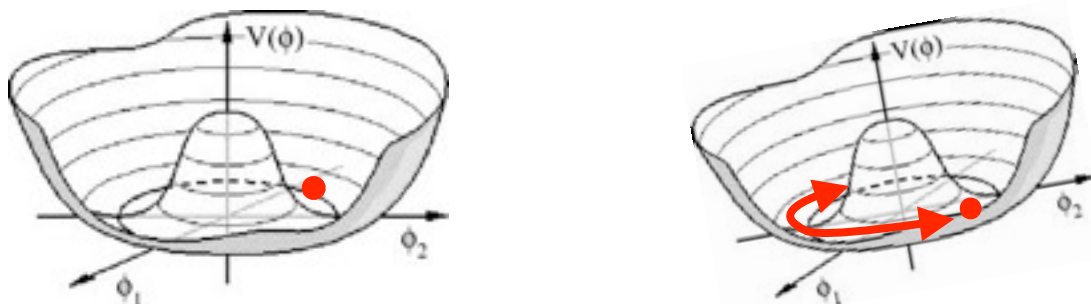
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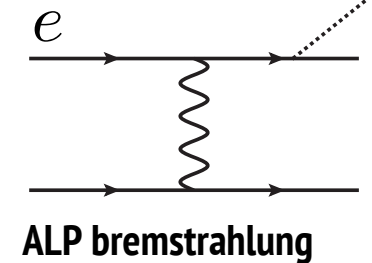
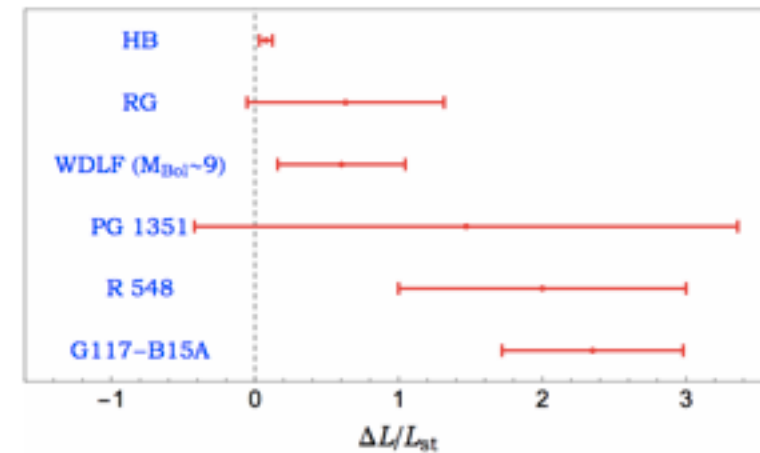
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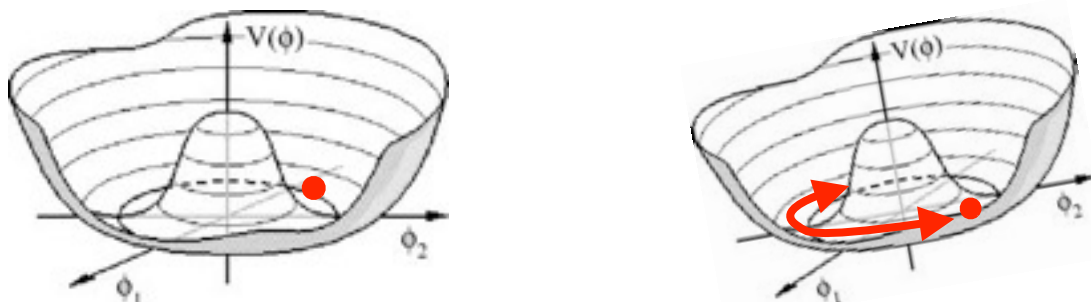
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γ -ray transparency / photon regeneration

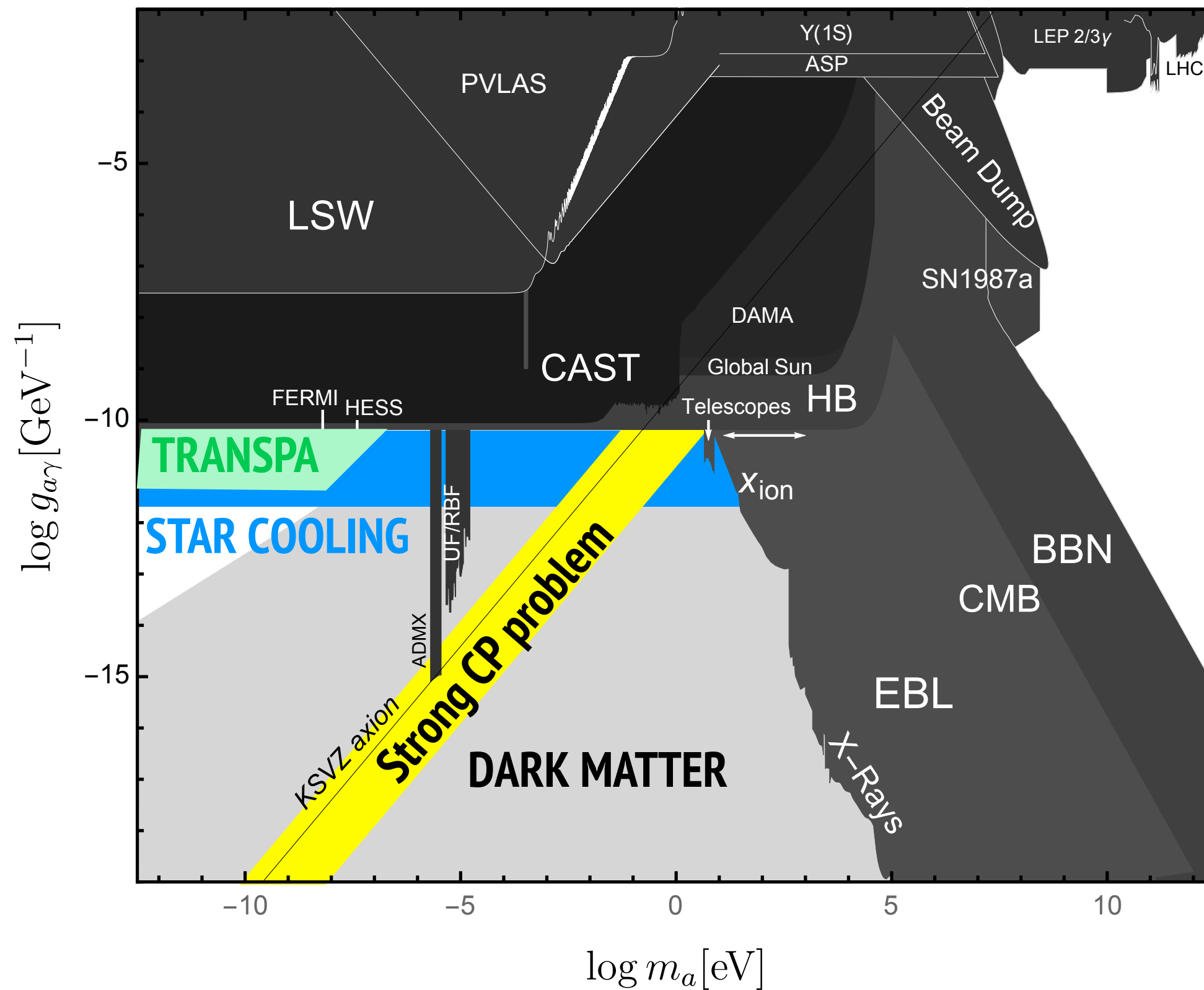
Too many gamma-rays from far away sources?



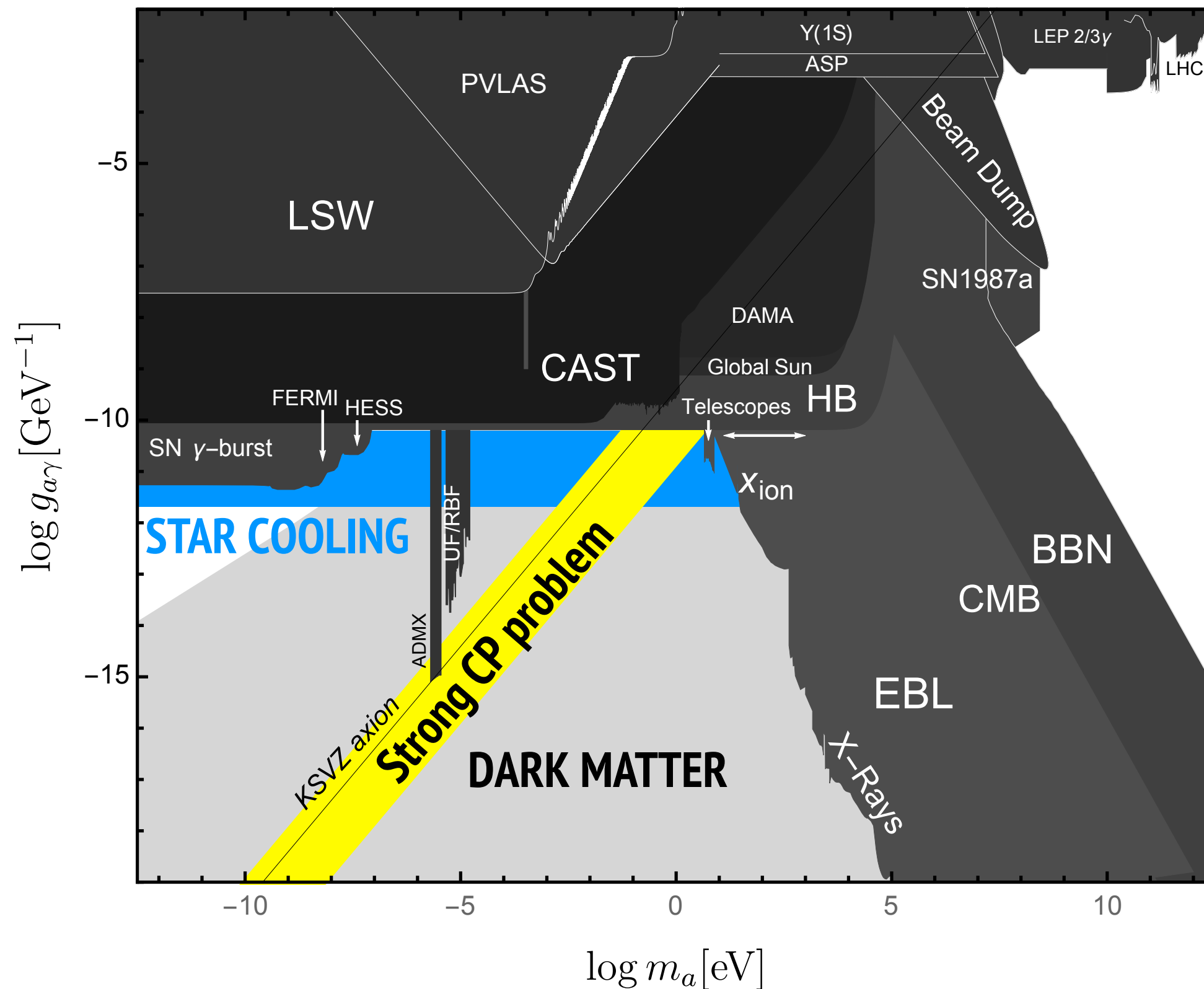
low estimate of opacity vs ALP-mediated regeneration

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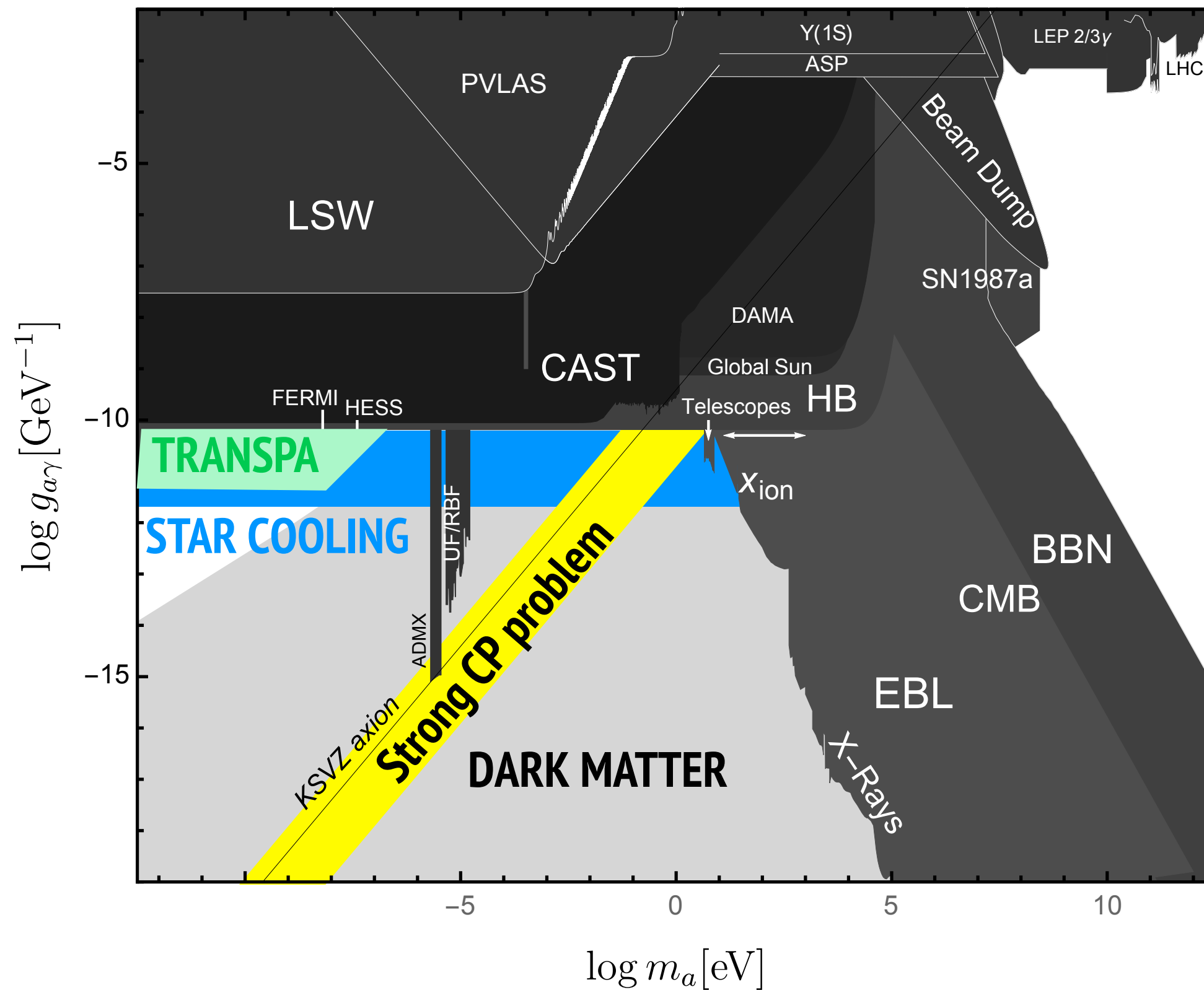
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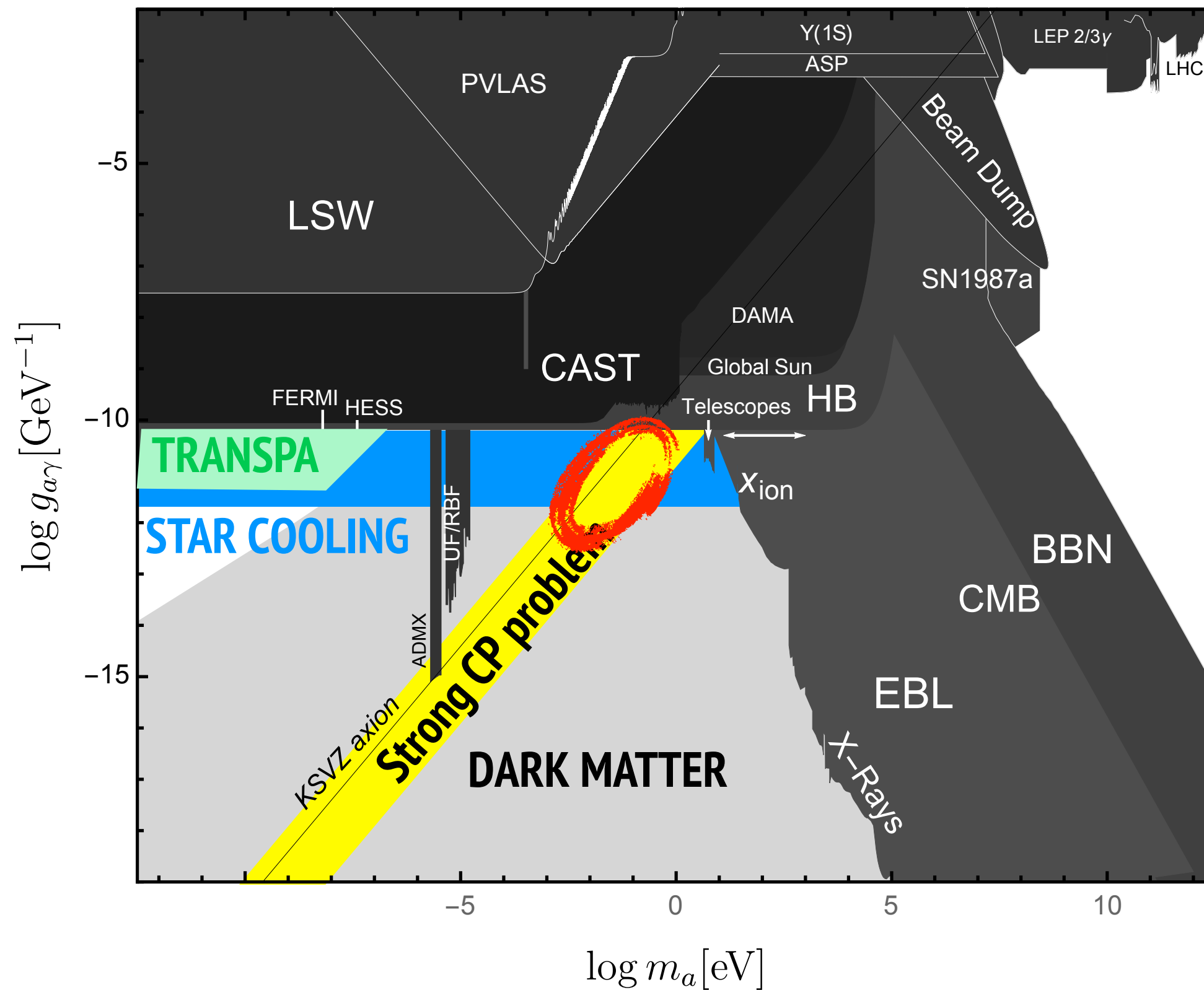
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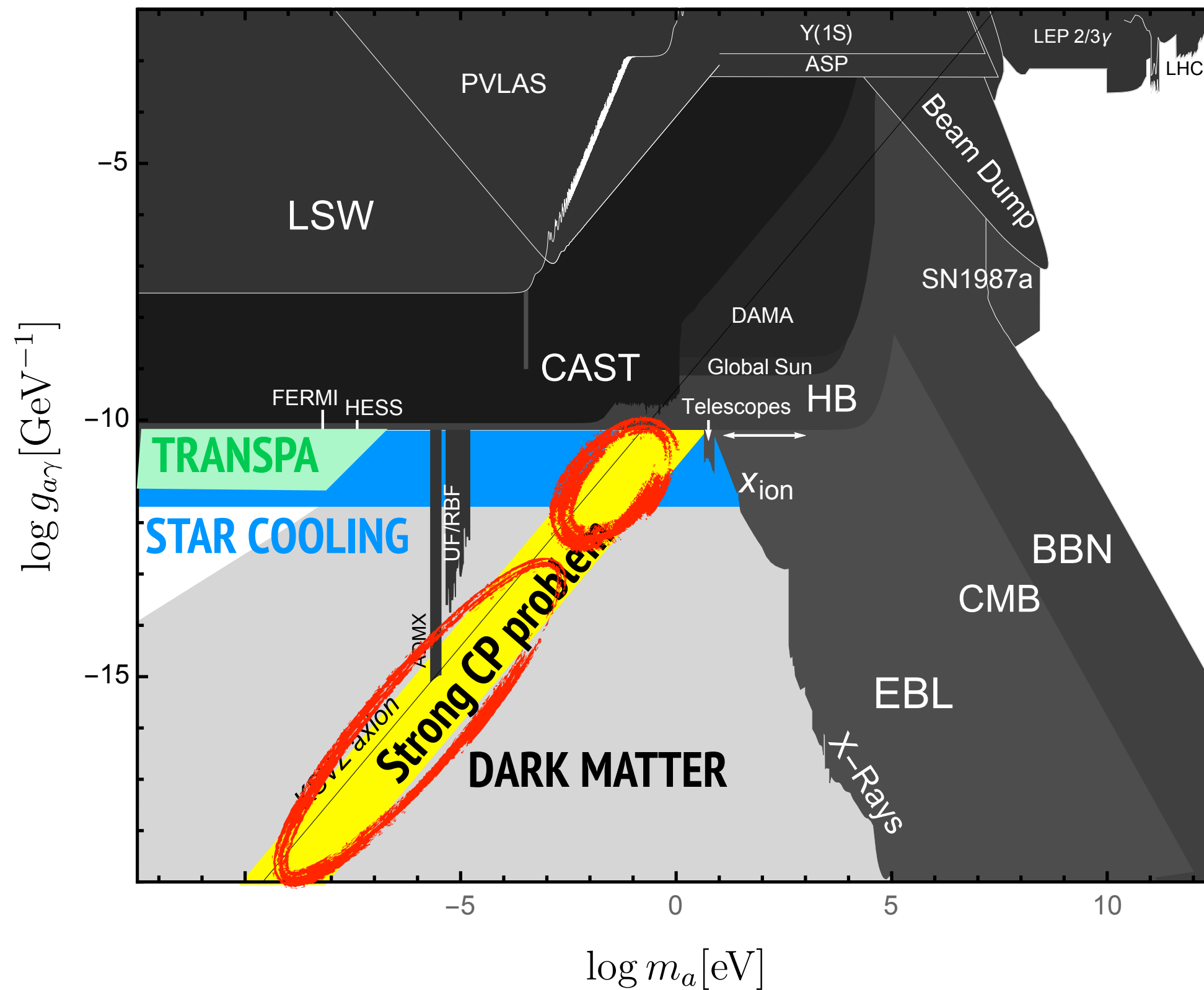
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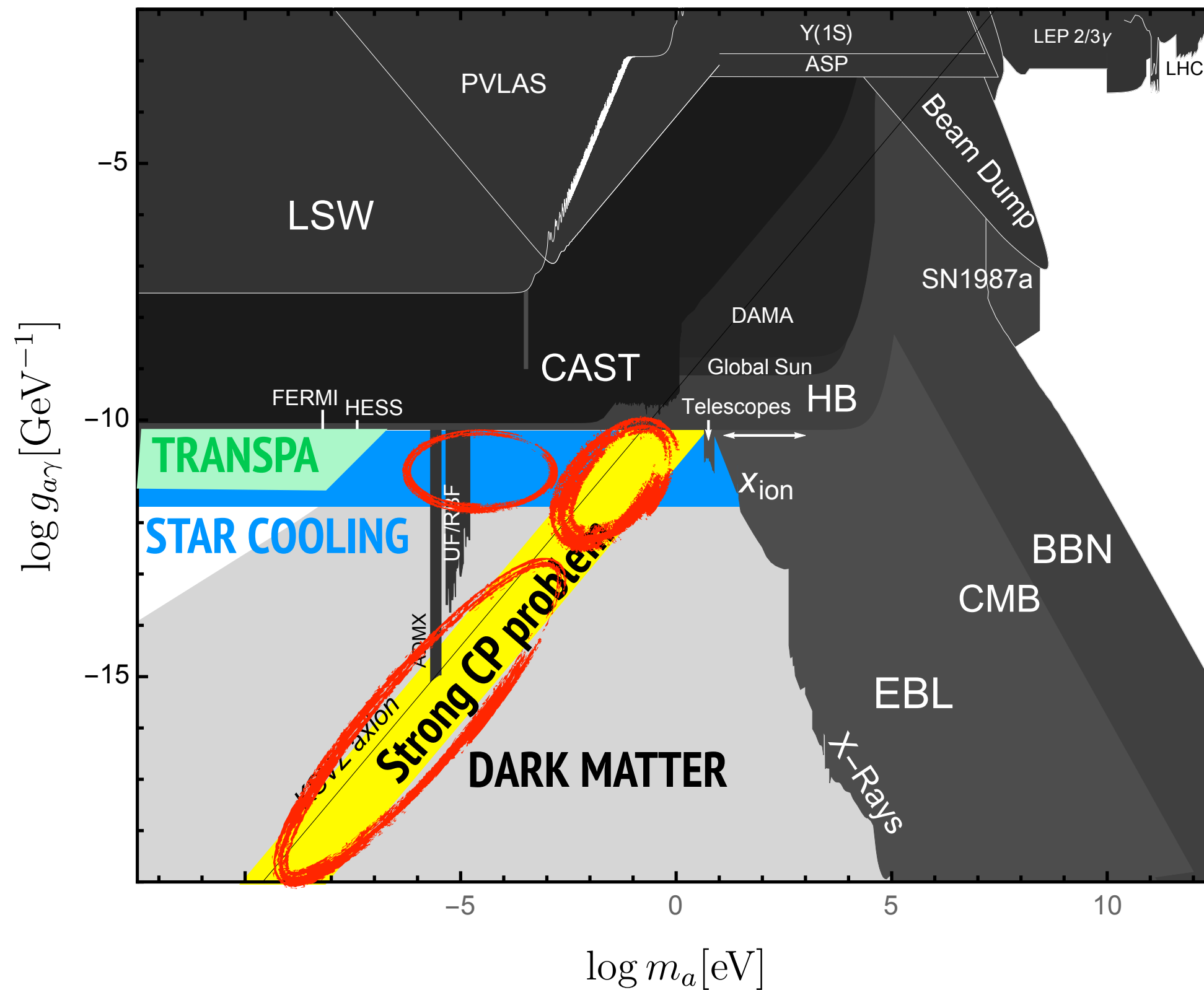
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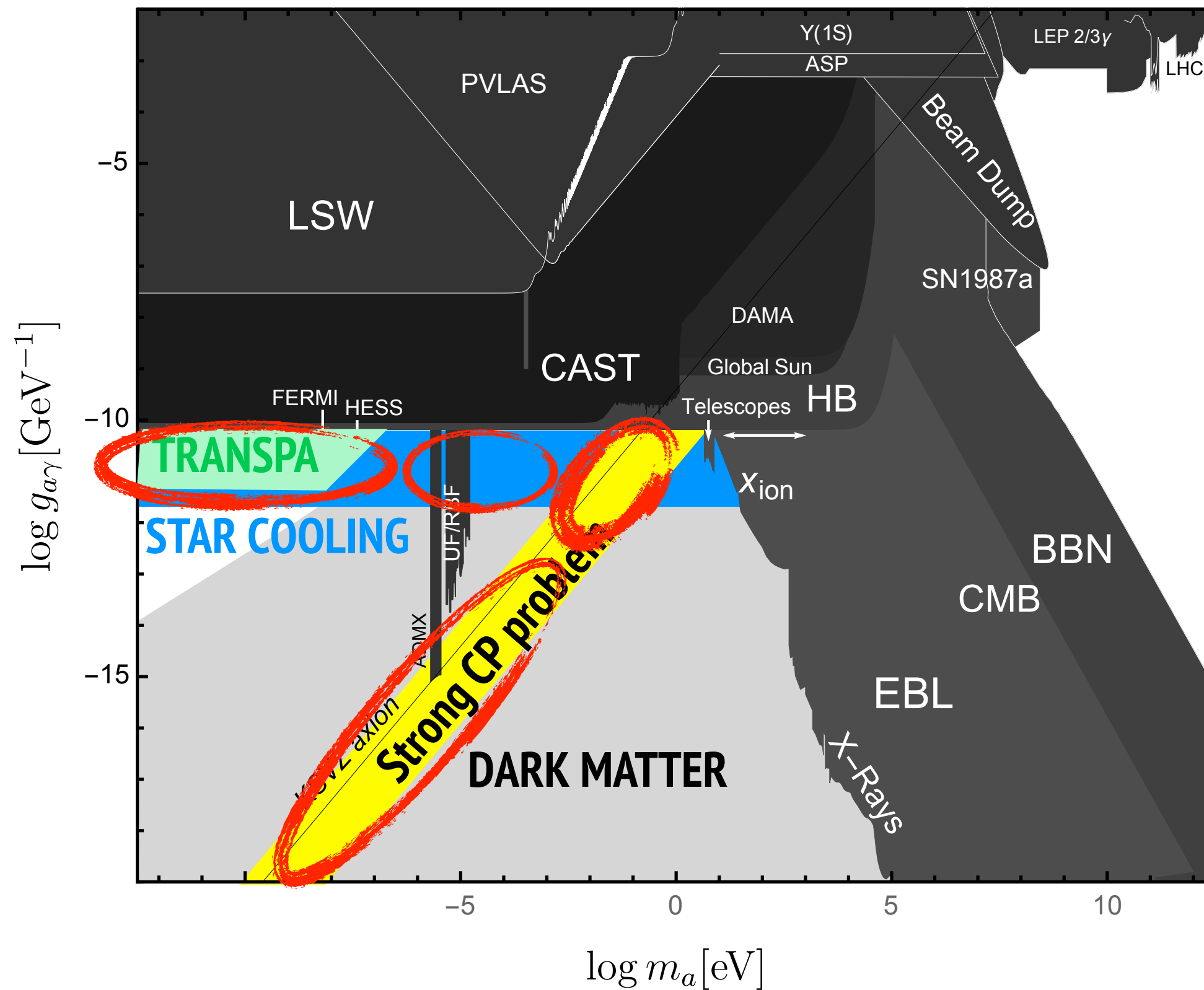
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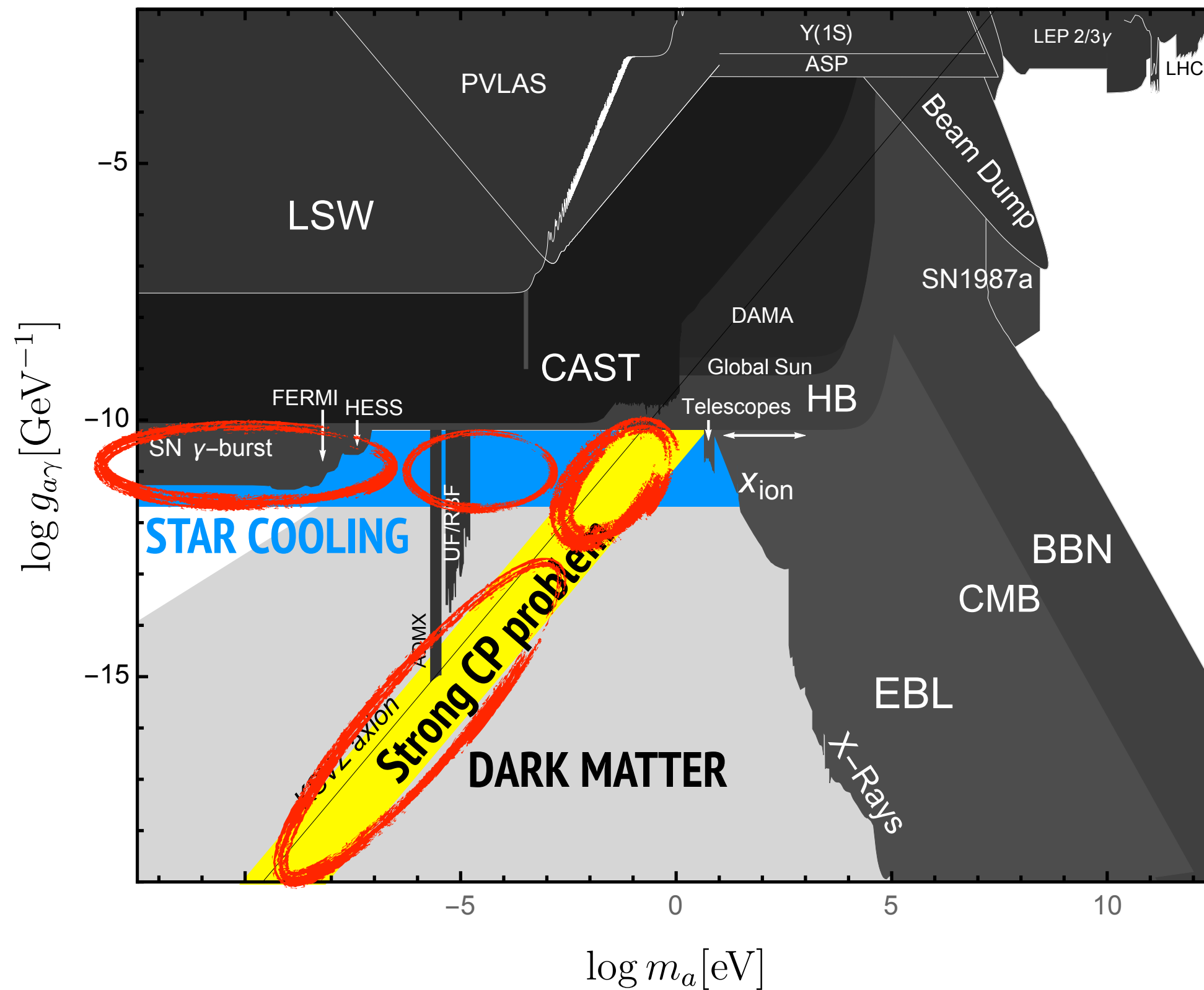
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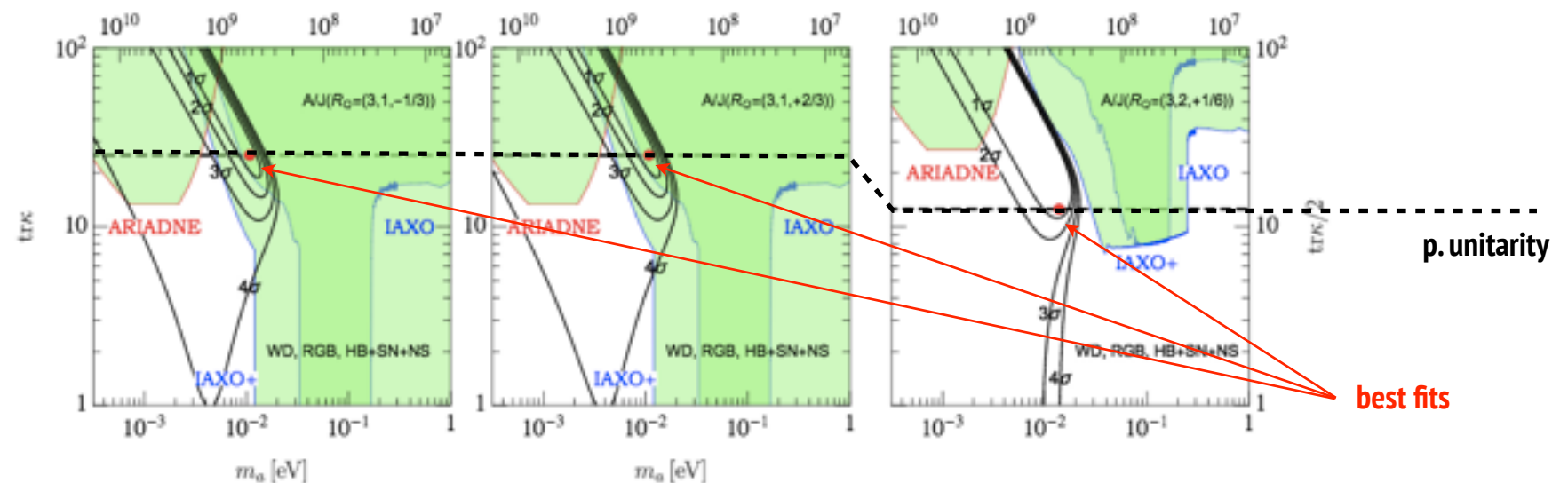
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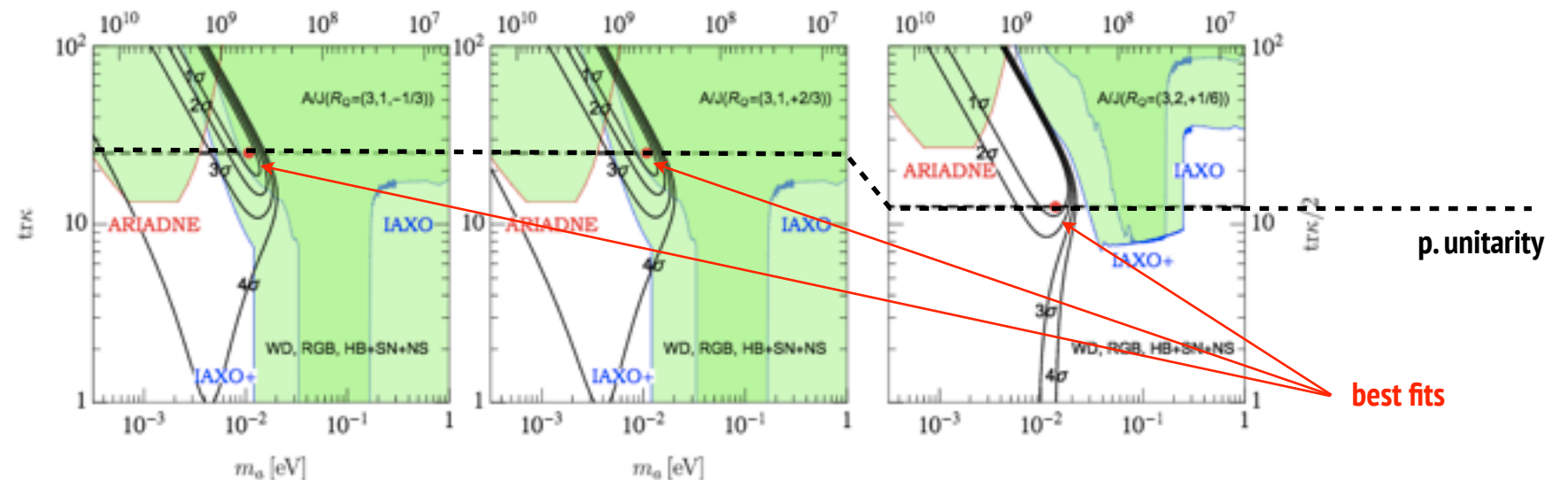
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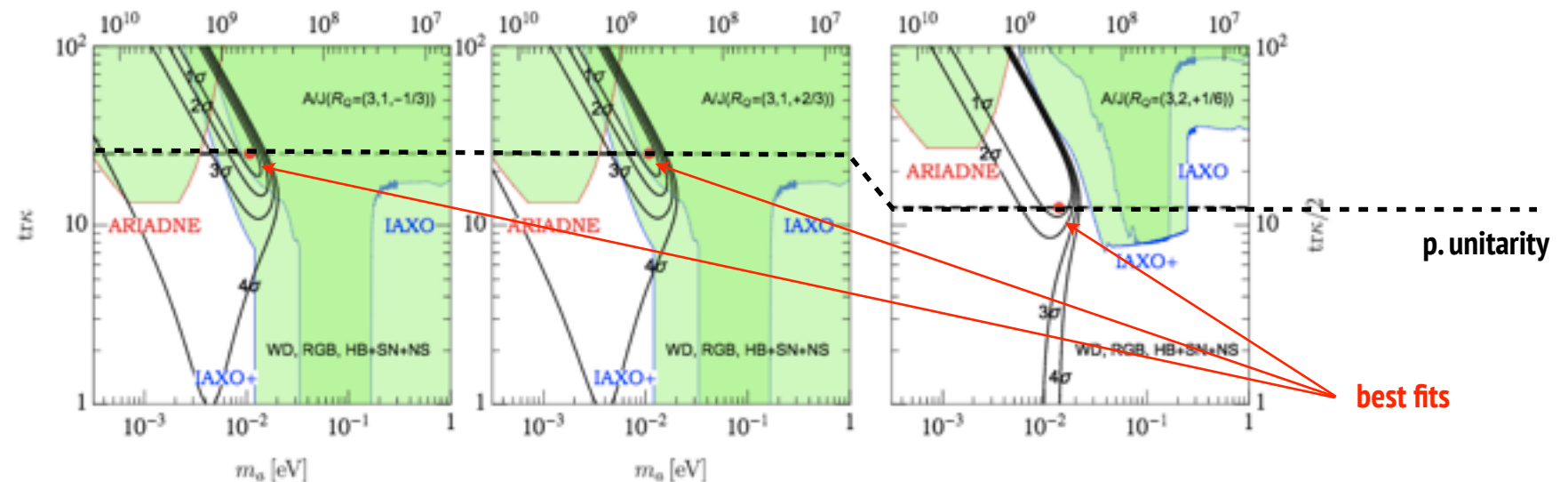
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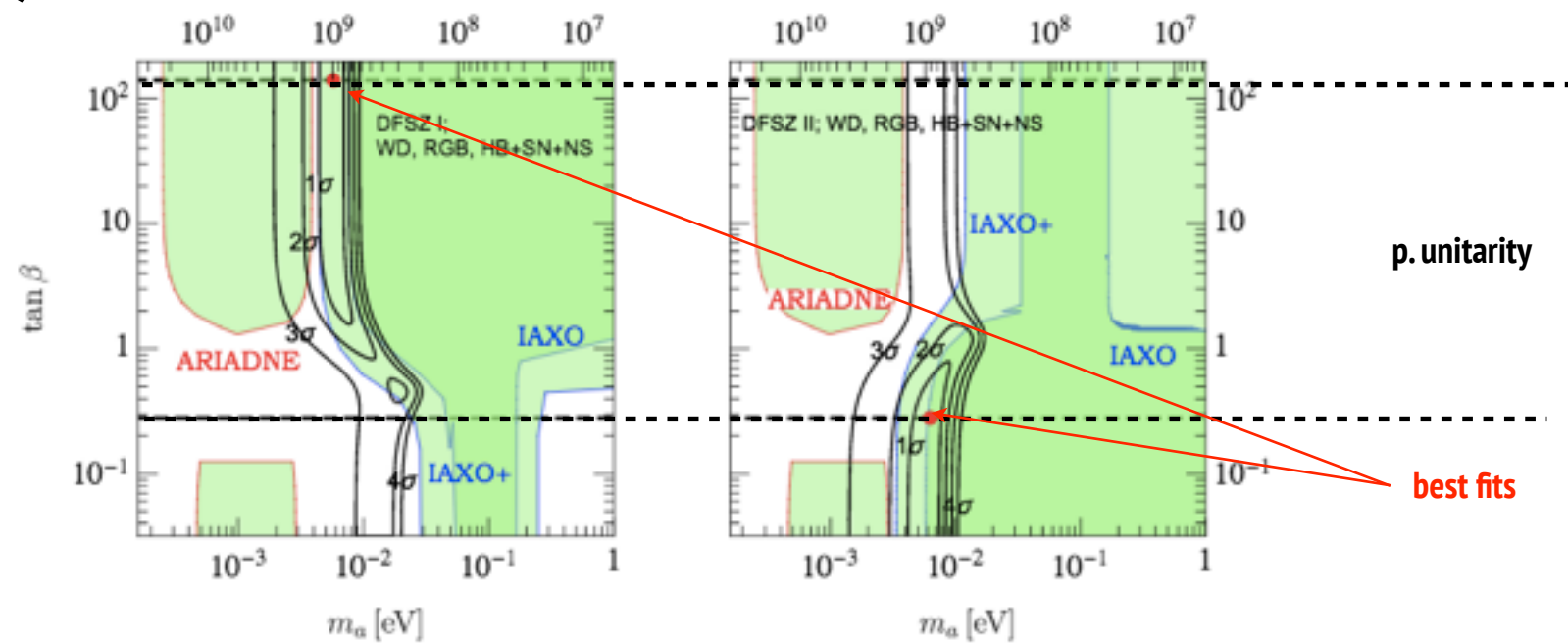
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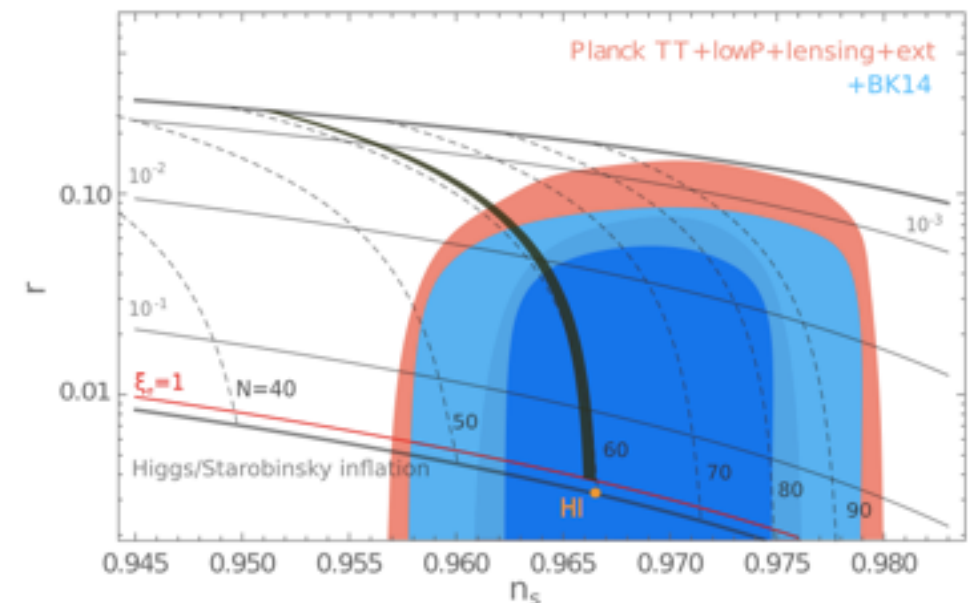
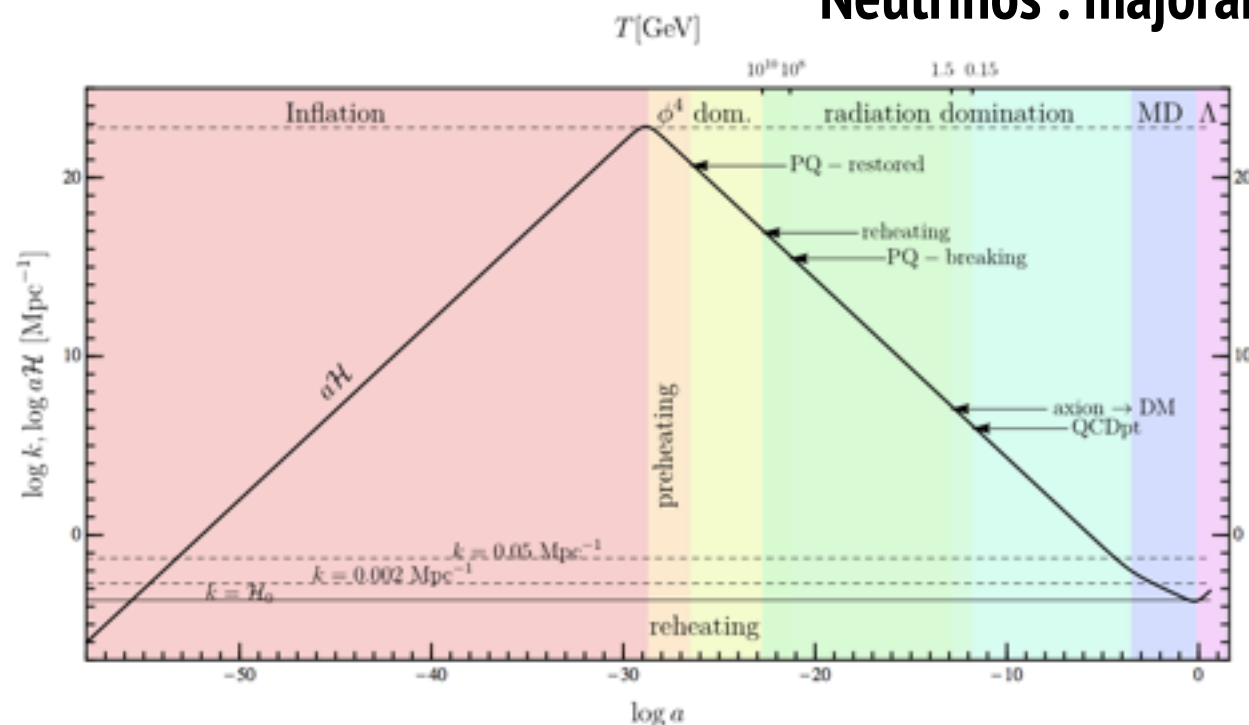
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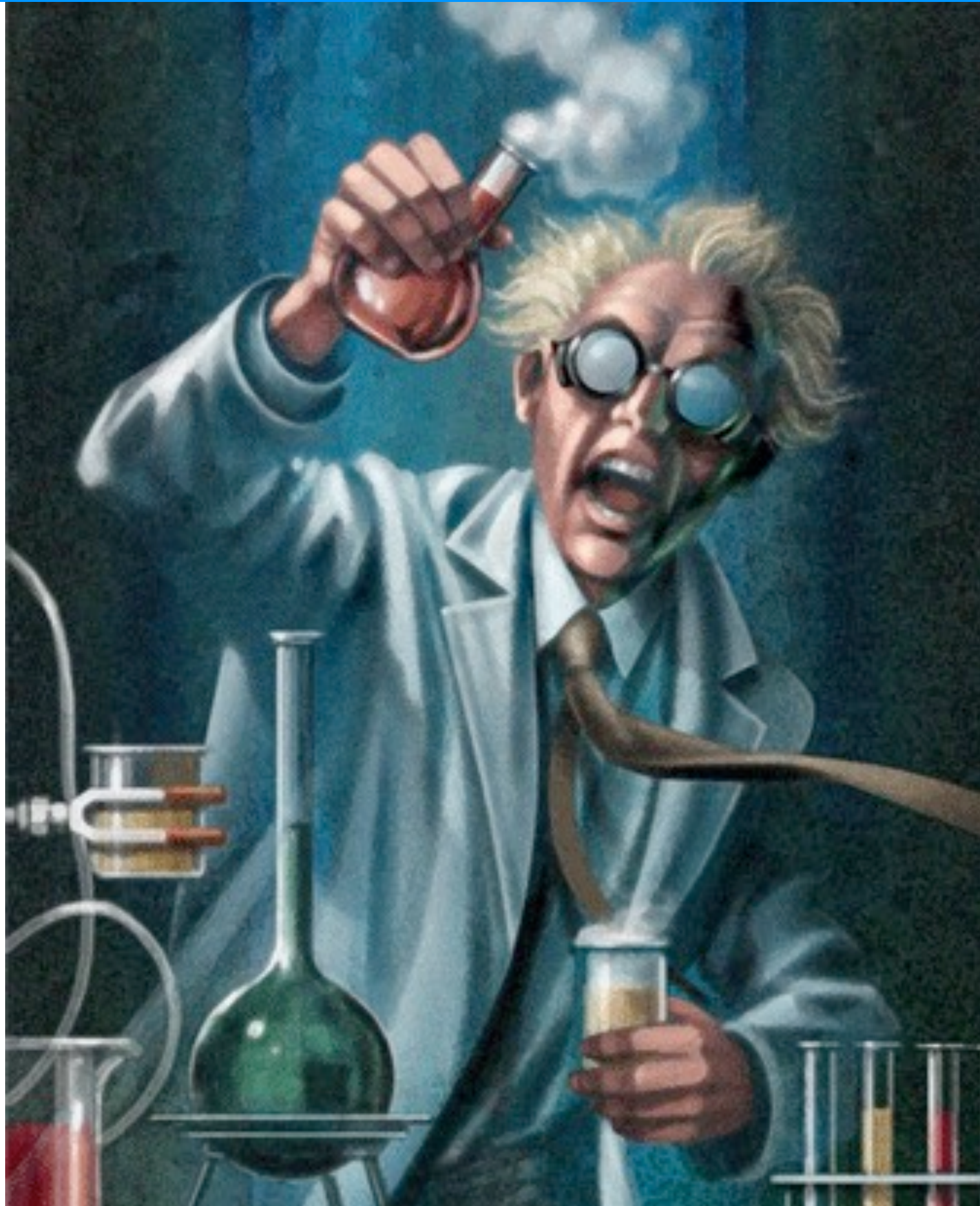
- **Very clear predictions :** CMB : $r > 0.004$ $n_s = 0.9645 \pm 0.0015$ $\Delta N_\nu^{\text{eff}} \simeq 0.03$ $P_{\text{iso}} = 0$
 $\alpha \sim -7 \times 10^{-4}$

Axion Dark Matter (scenario I: post inflation) : $m_a \sim 100 \mu\text{eV}$, miniclusters

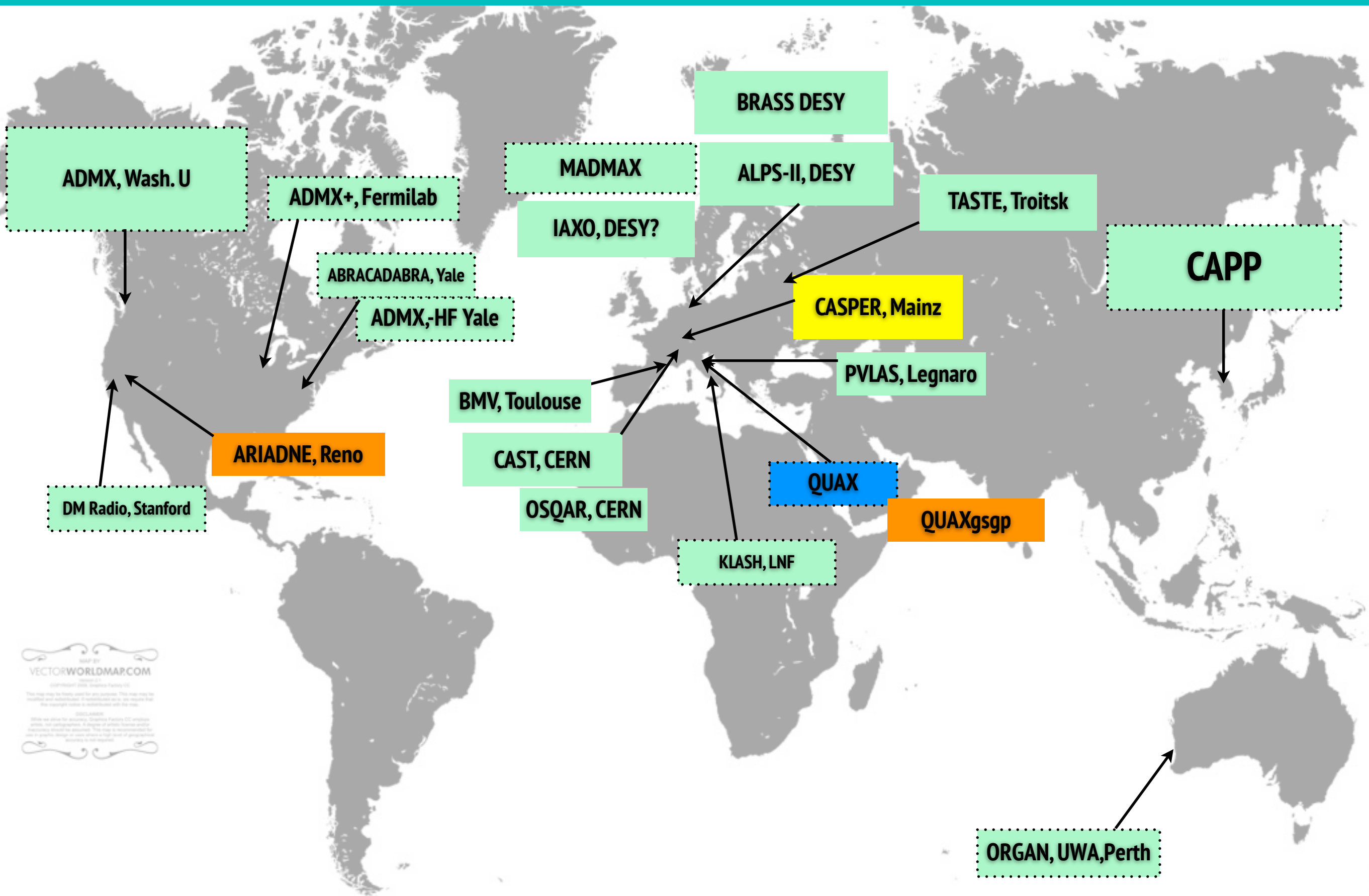
Neutrinos : majorana, typically $M_2 \sim M_3$ top mass : $m_t < 175 \text{ GeV}$



Direct Detection of ALPs



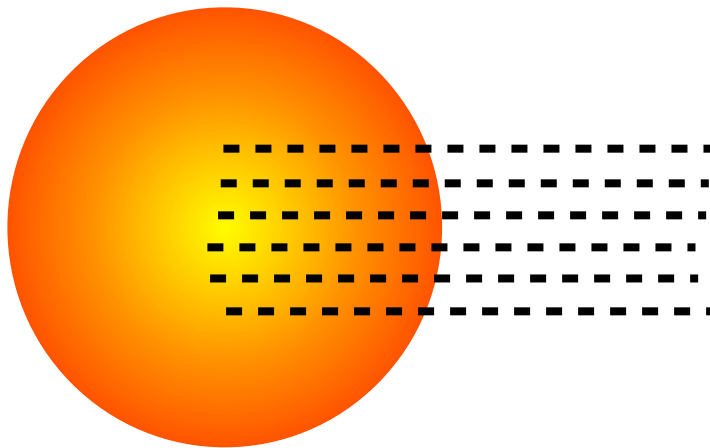
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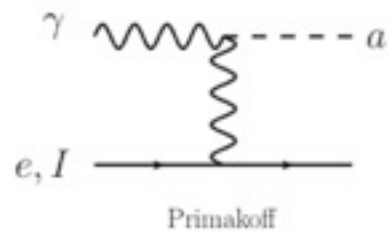
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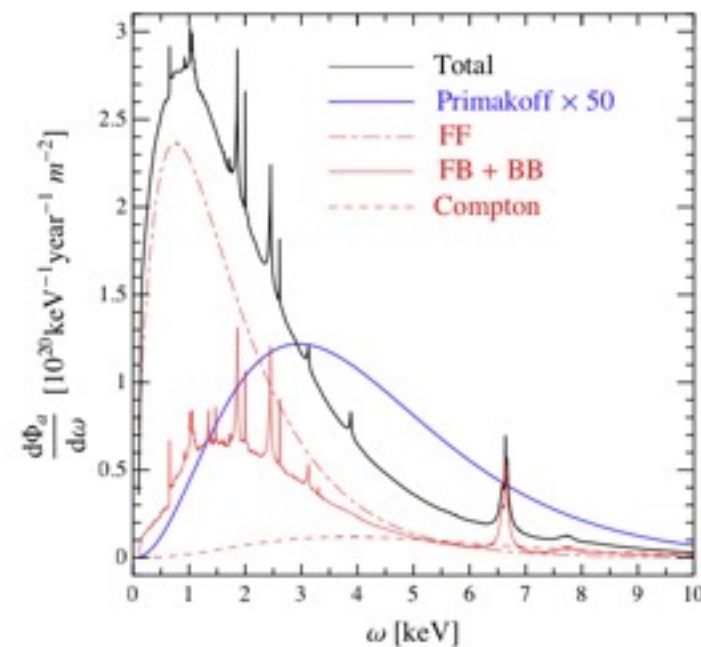
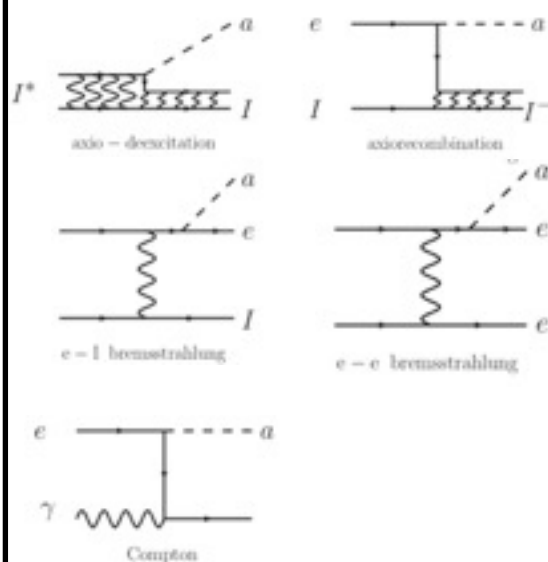
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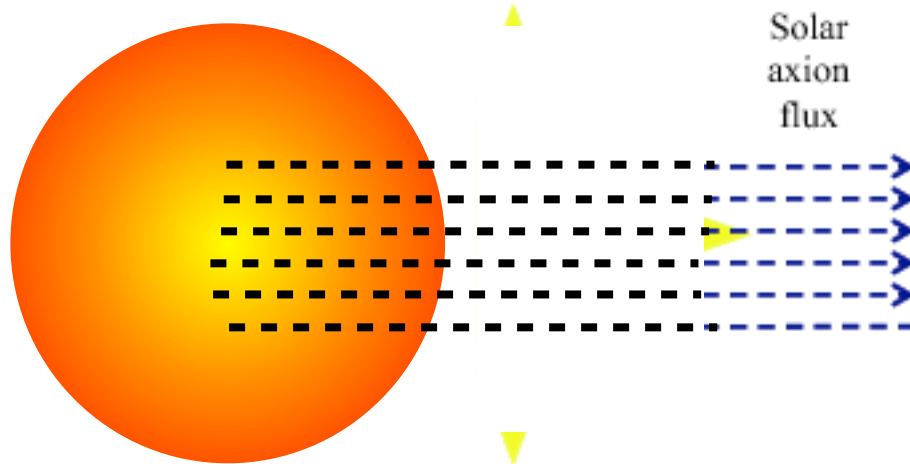
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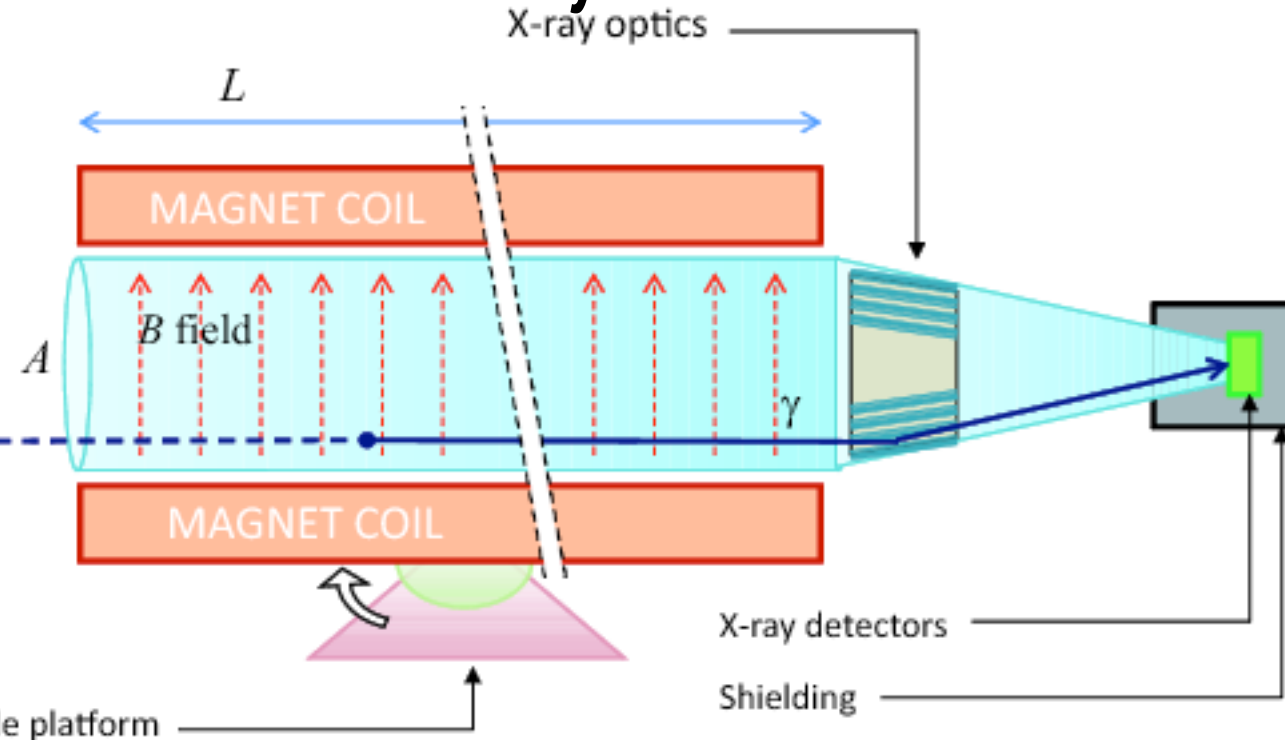
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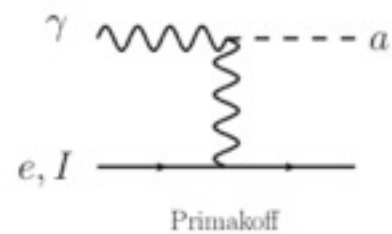
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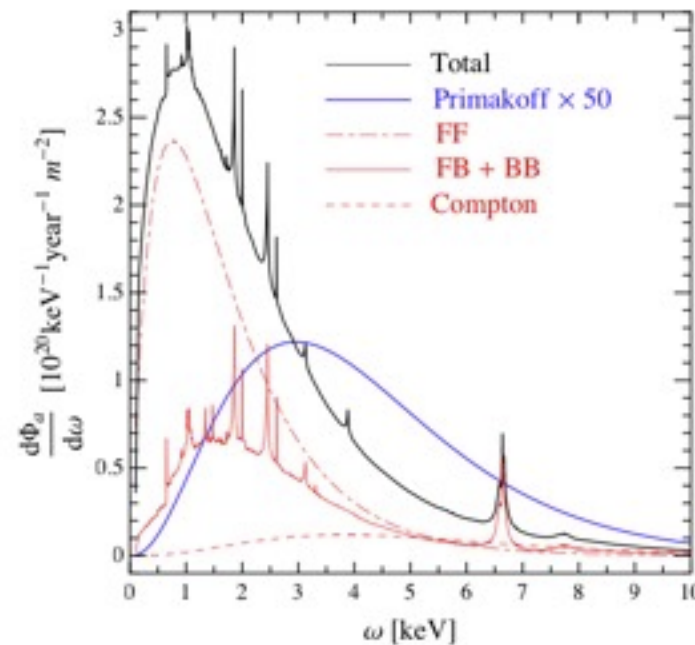
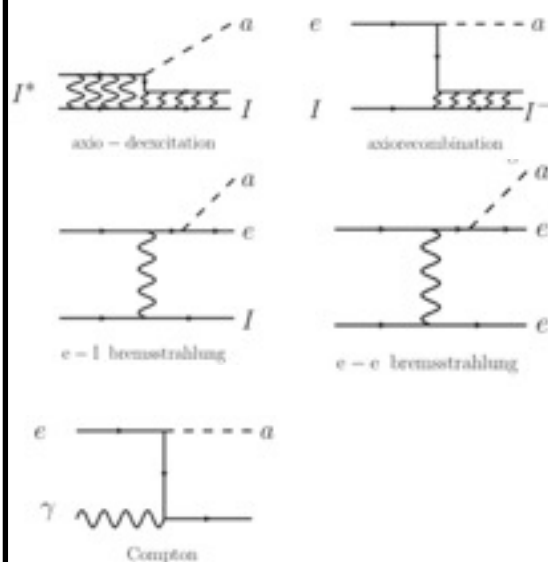
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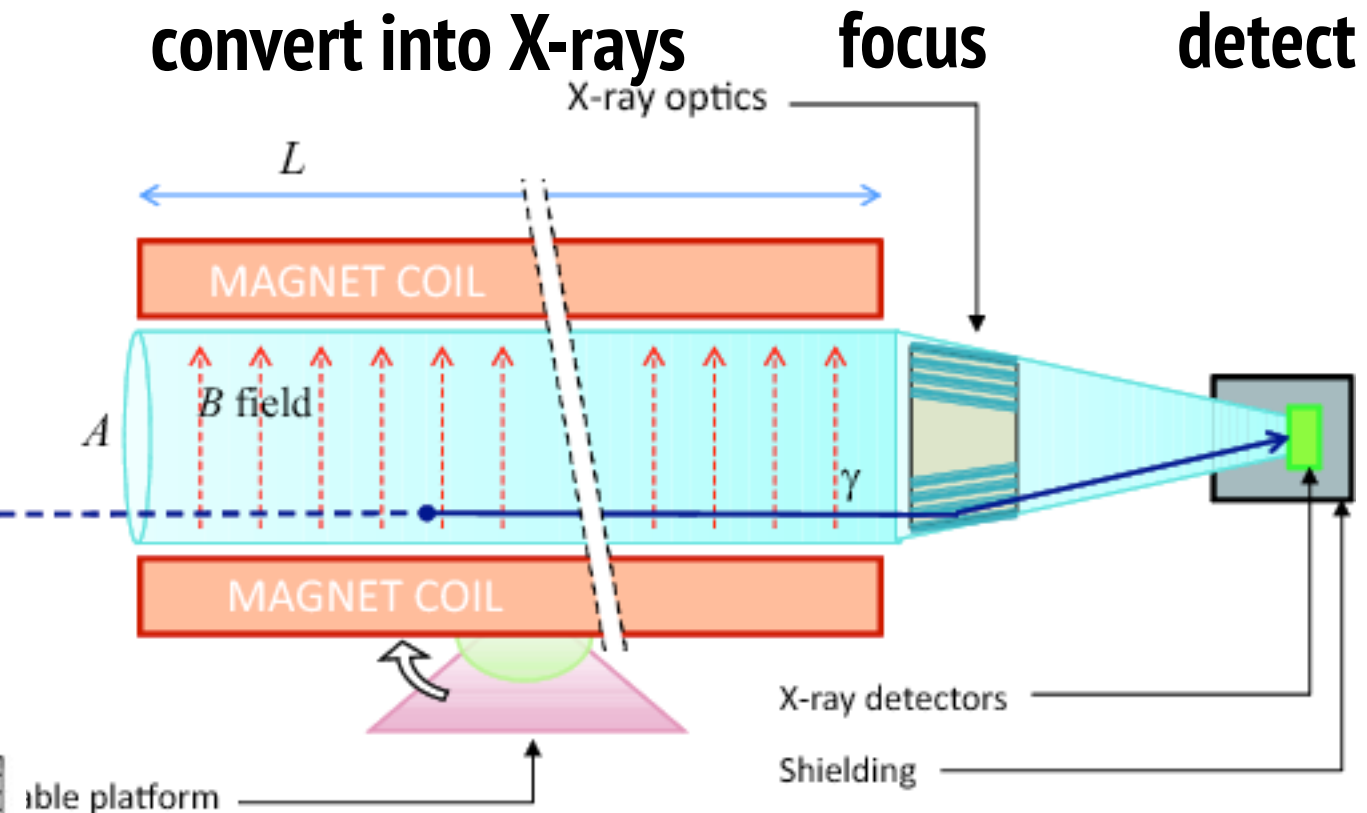
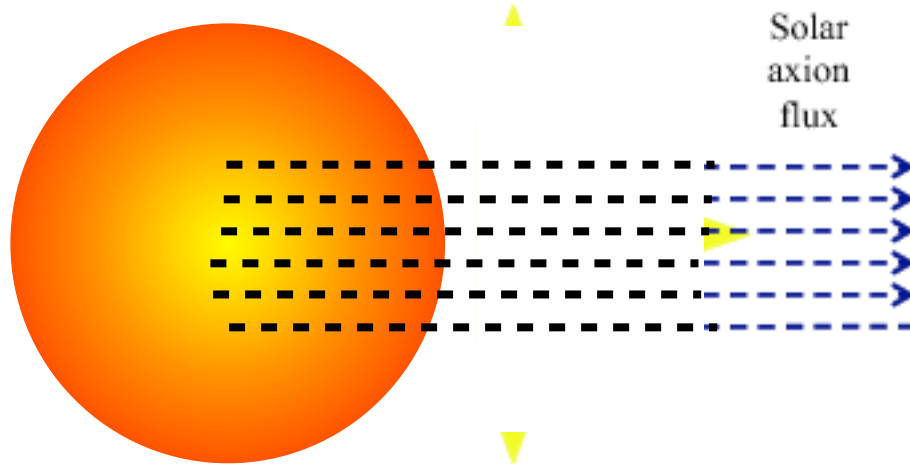
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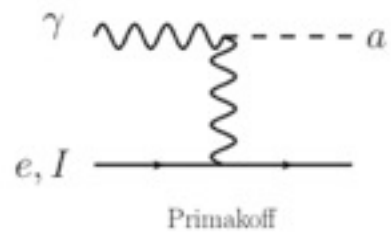
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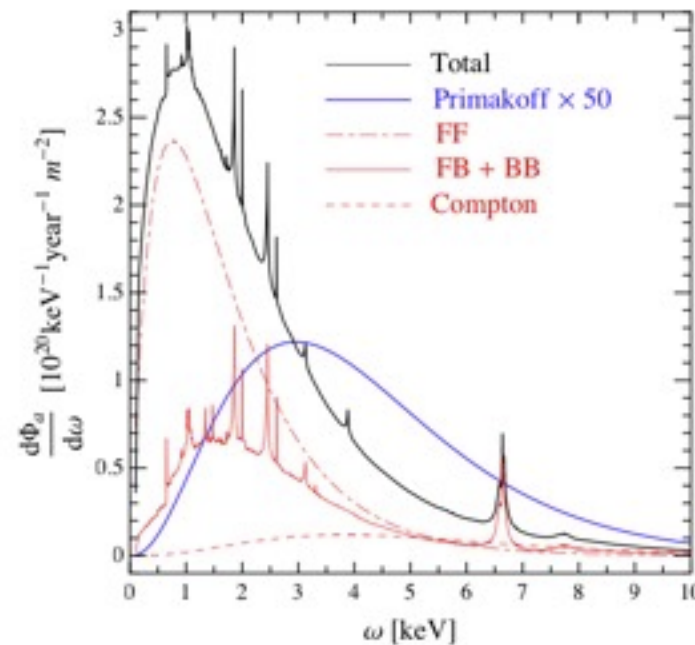
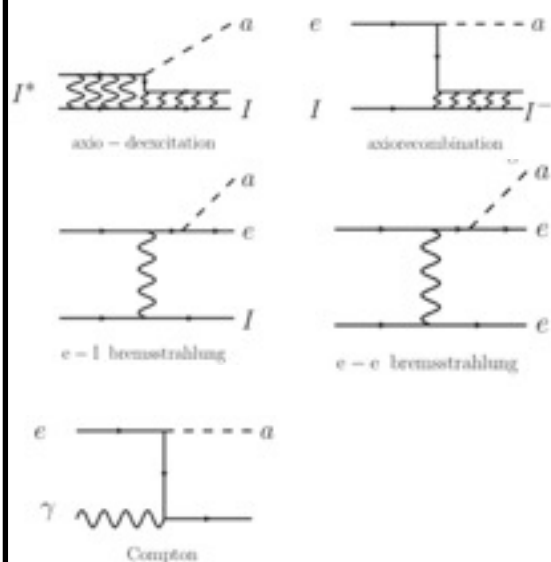
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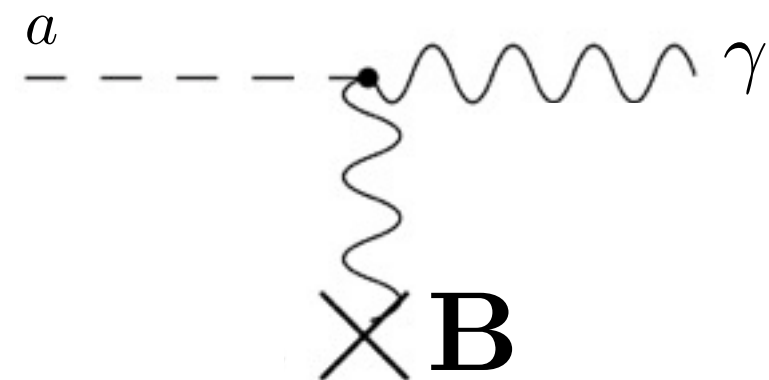


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Coherent Conversion along the B-field

$$P(a \leftrightarrow \gamma) = \left(\frac{2g_{a\gamma} B_T \omega}{m_a^2} \right)^2 \sin^2 \left(\frac{m_a^2 L}{4\omega} \right)$$



International AXion Observatory

Large toroidal 8-coil magnet $L = \sim 20$ m

8 bores: 600 mm diameter each

8 x-ray optics + 8 detection systems

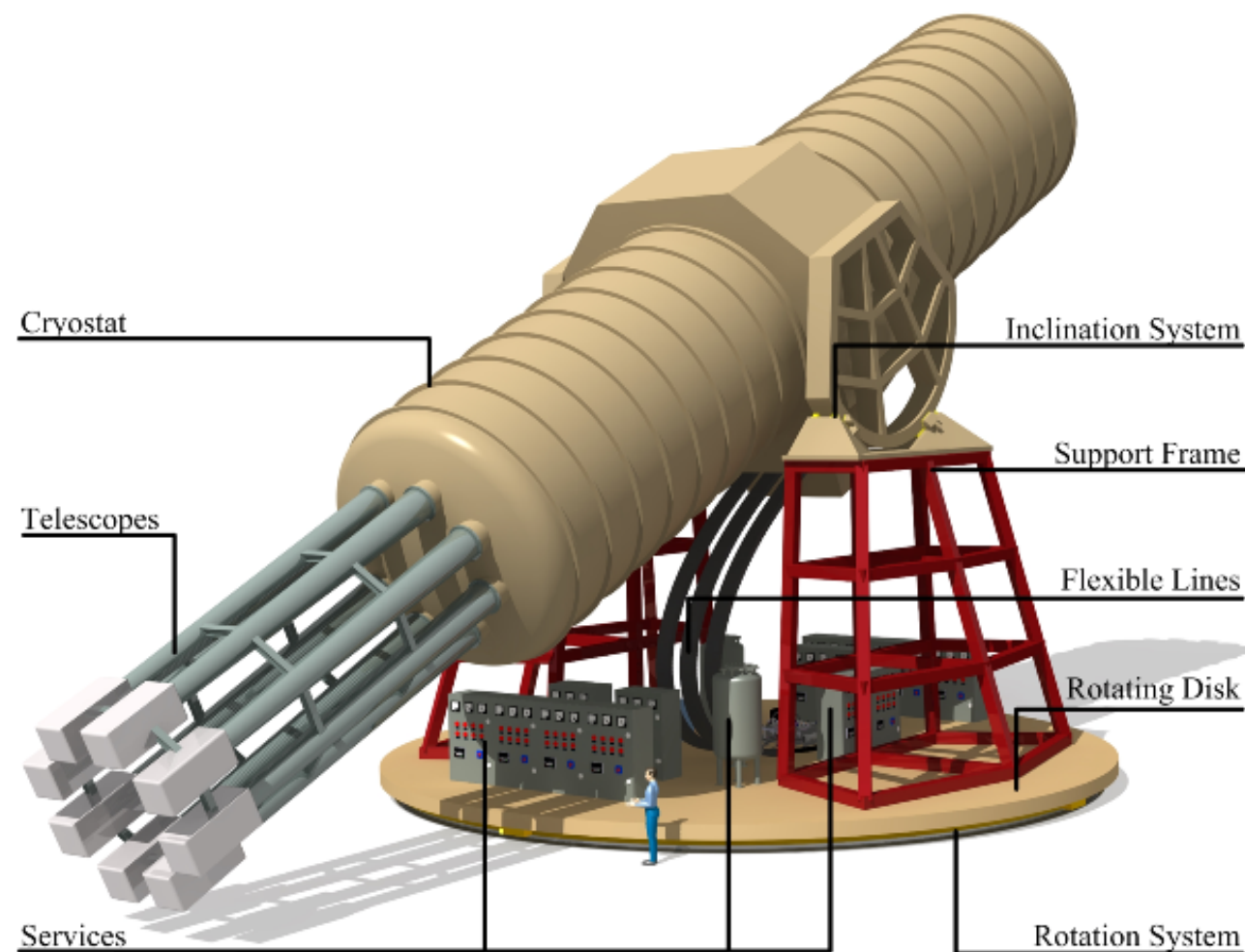
Rotating platform with services

-NGAG paper JCAP 1106:013,2011

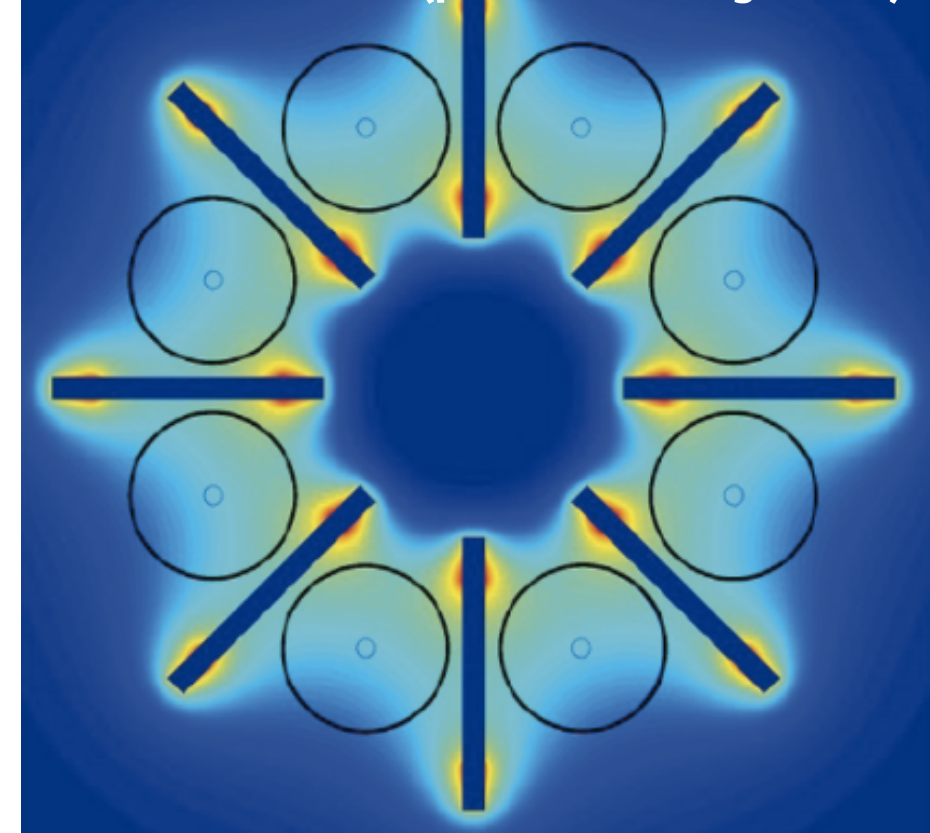
-Conceptual design report IAXO 2014 JINST 9 T05002

-LOI submitted to CERN, TDR in preparation

-Possibility of Direct Axion DM experiments (cavities, ABRACA)

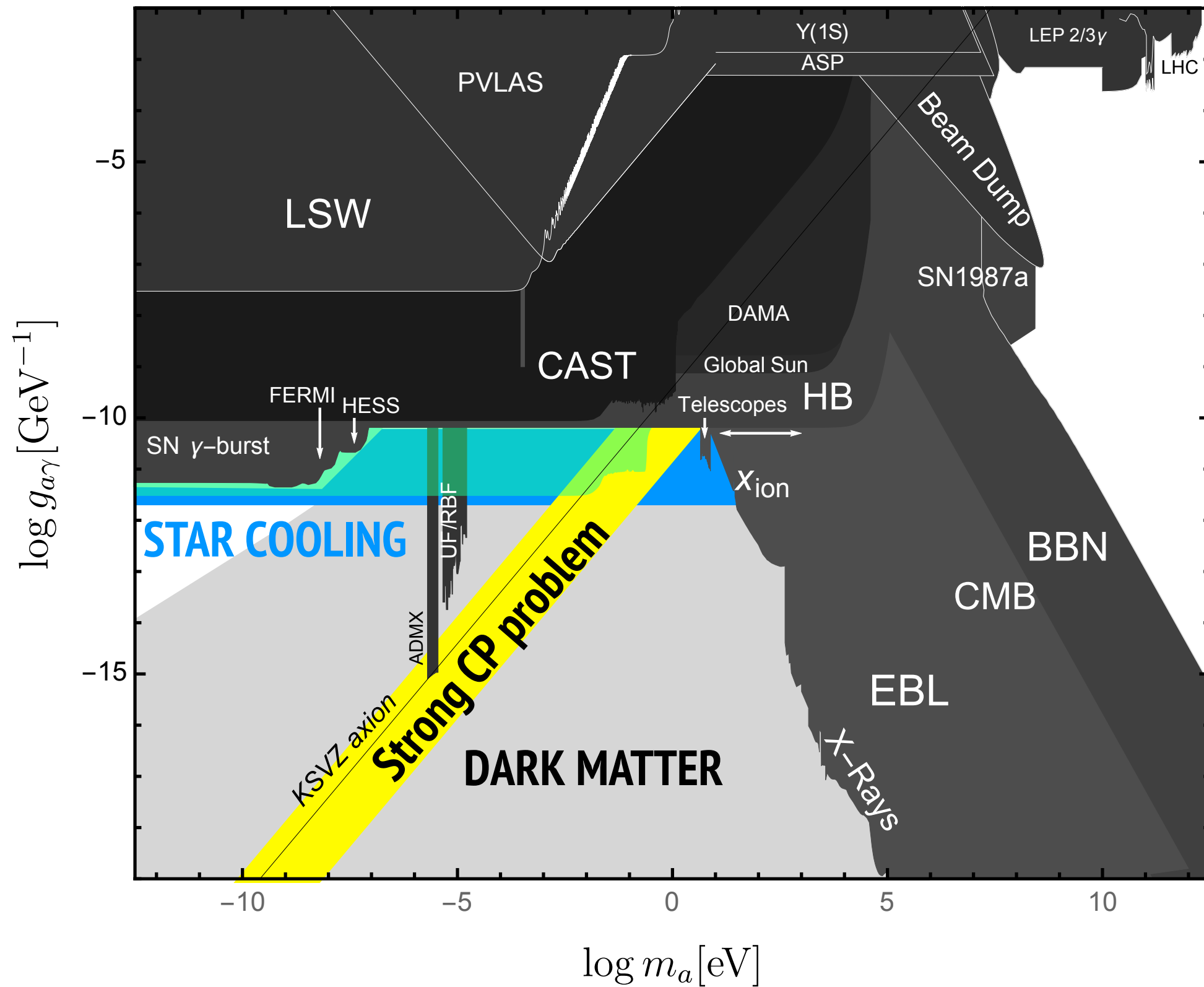


Transverse B-field (peak 5T, average 2.5T)

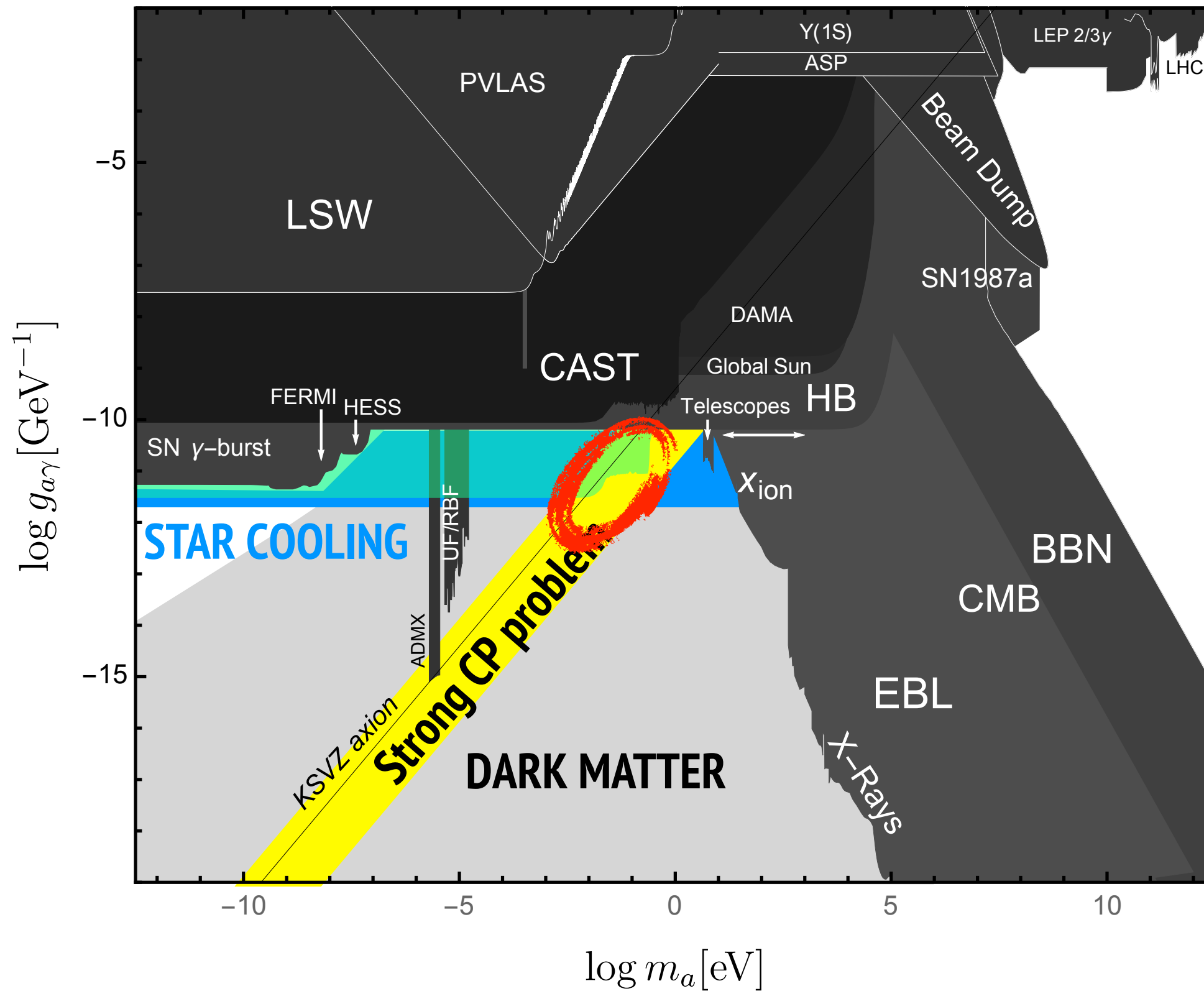


Recent Ideas for a smaller intermediate version (baby IAXO and TASTE)

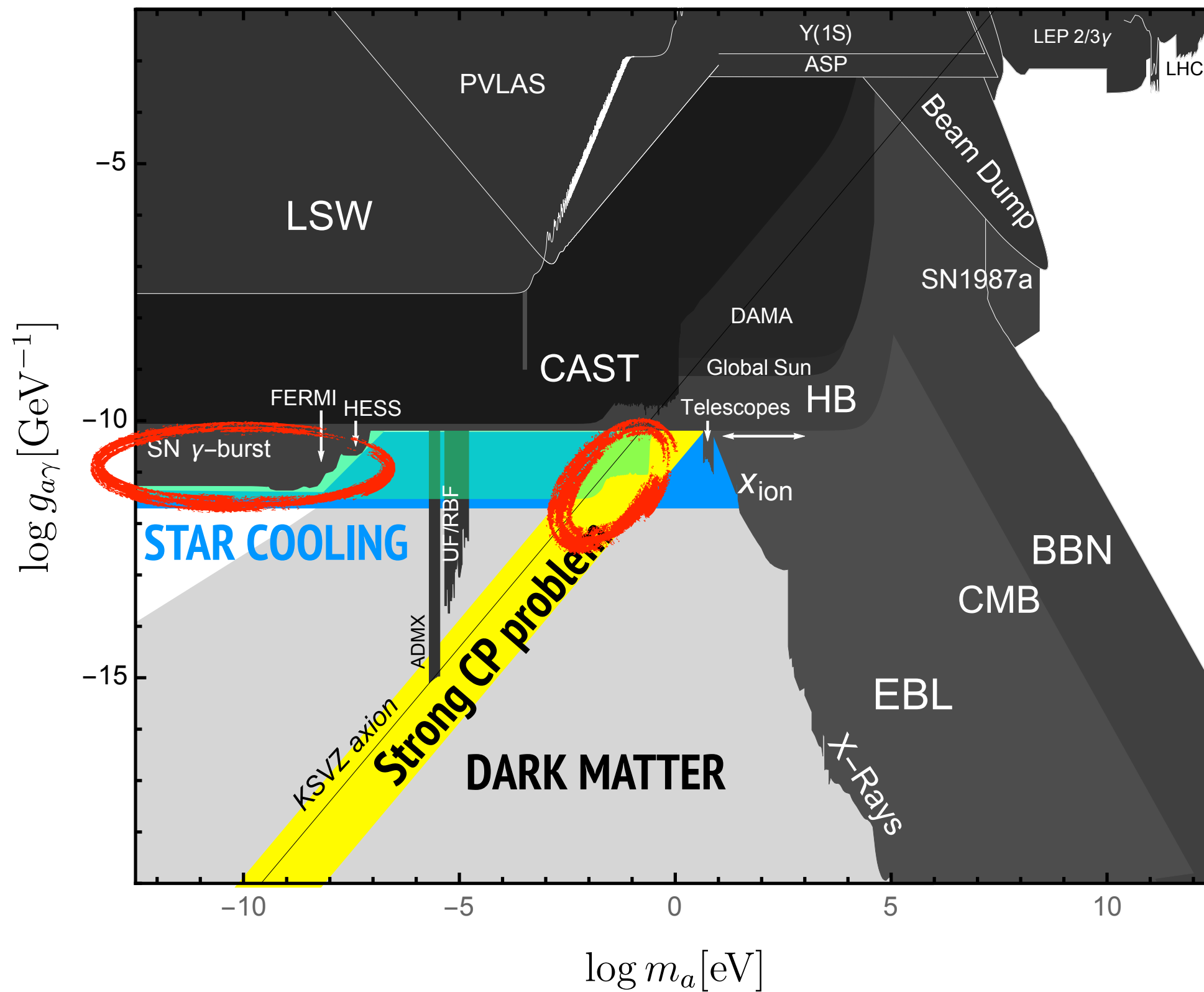
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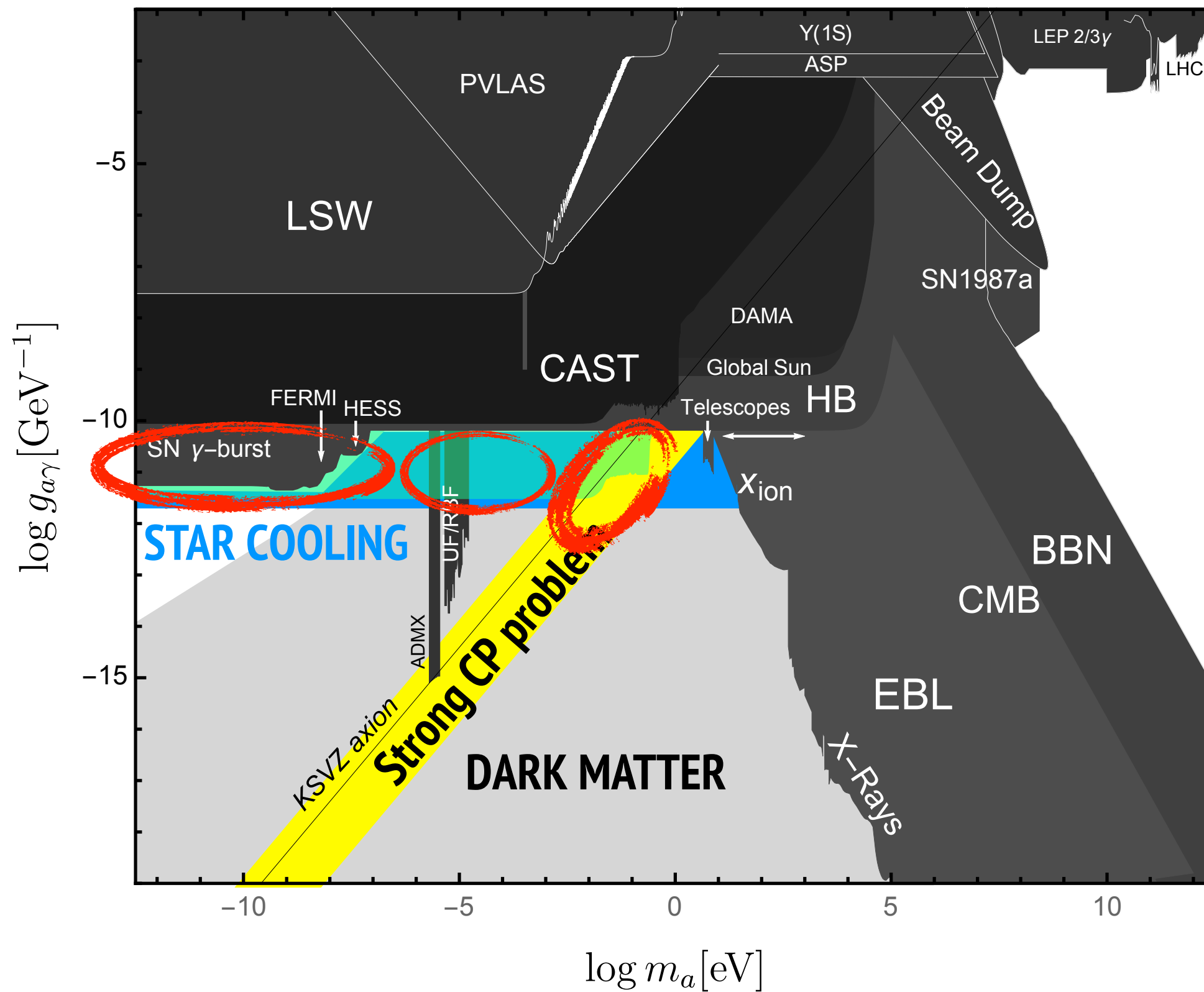
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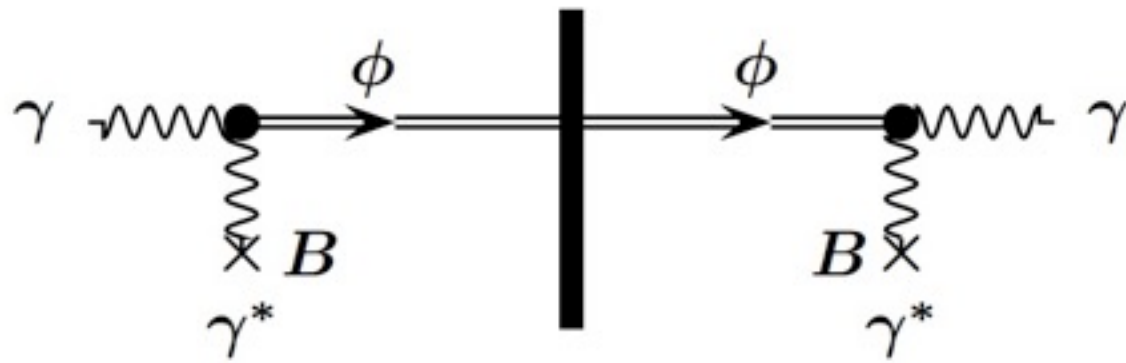


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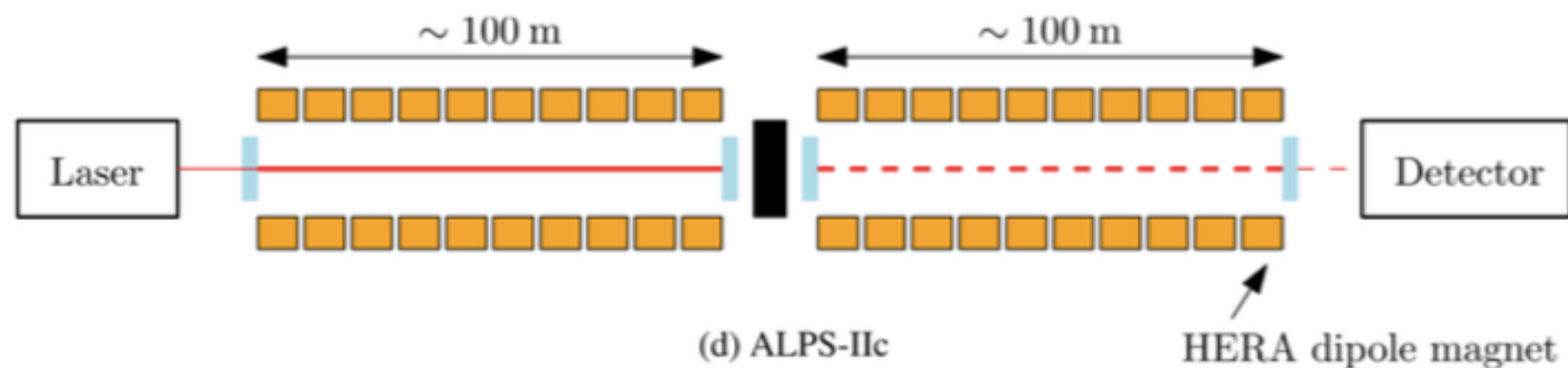


the ANY-Light-Particle-Search

Light shining through walls

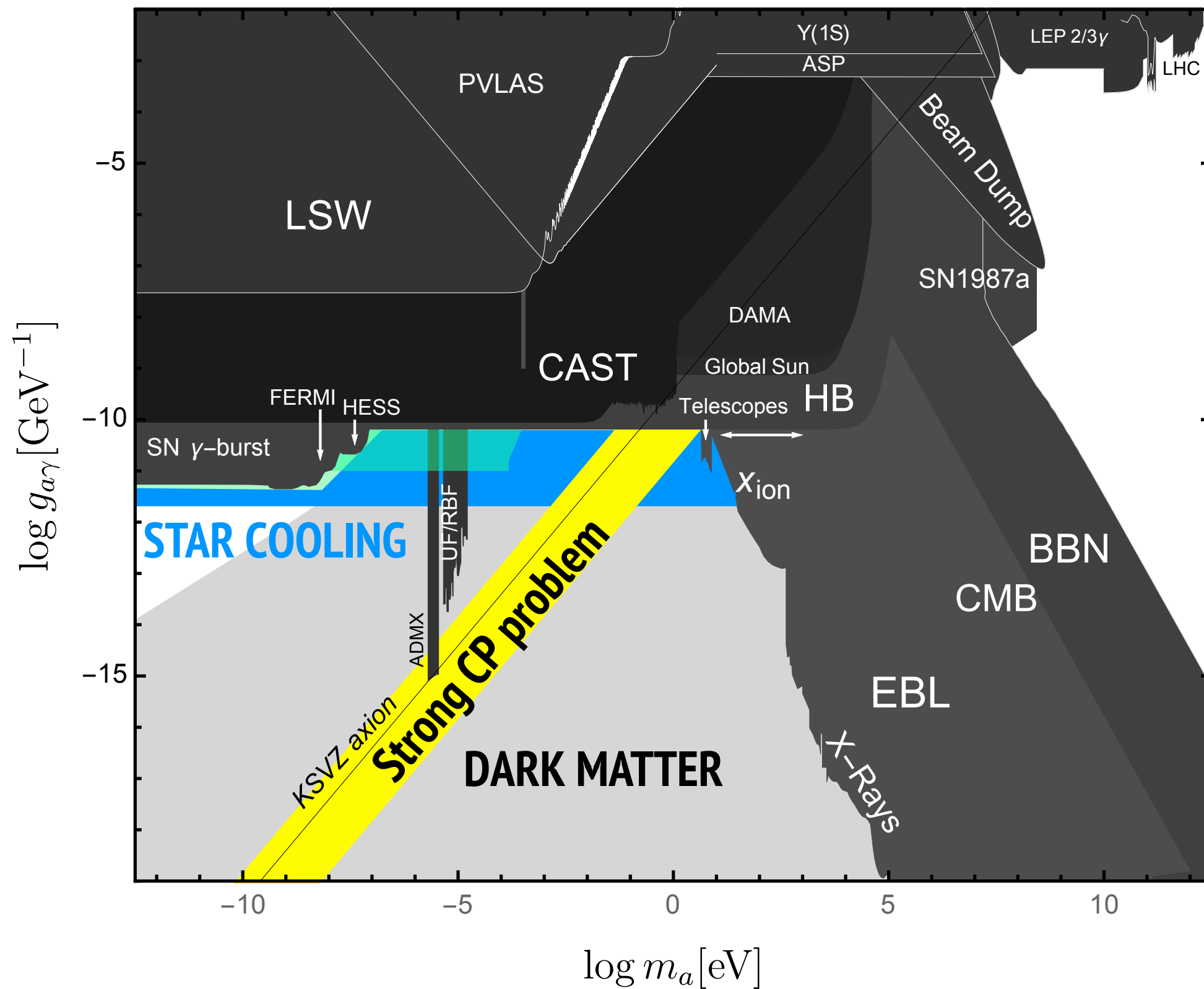


Resonant regeneration in the receiving cavity (see later)



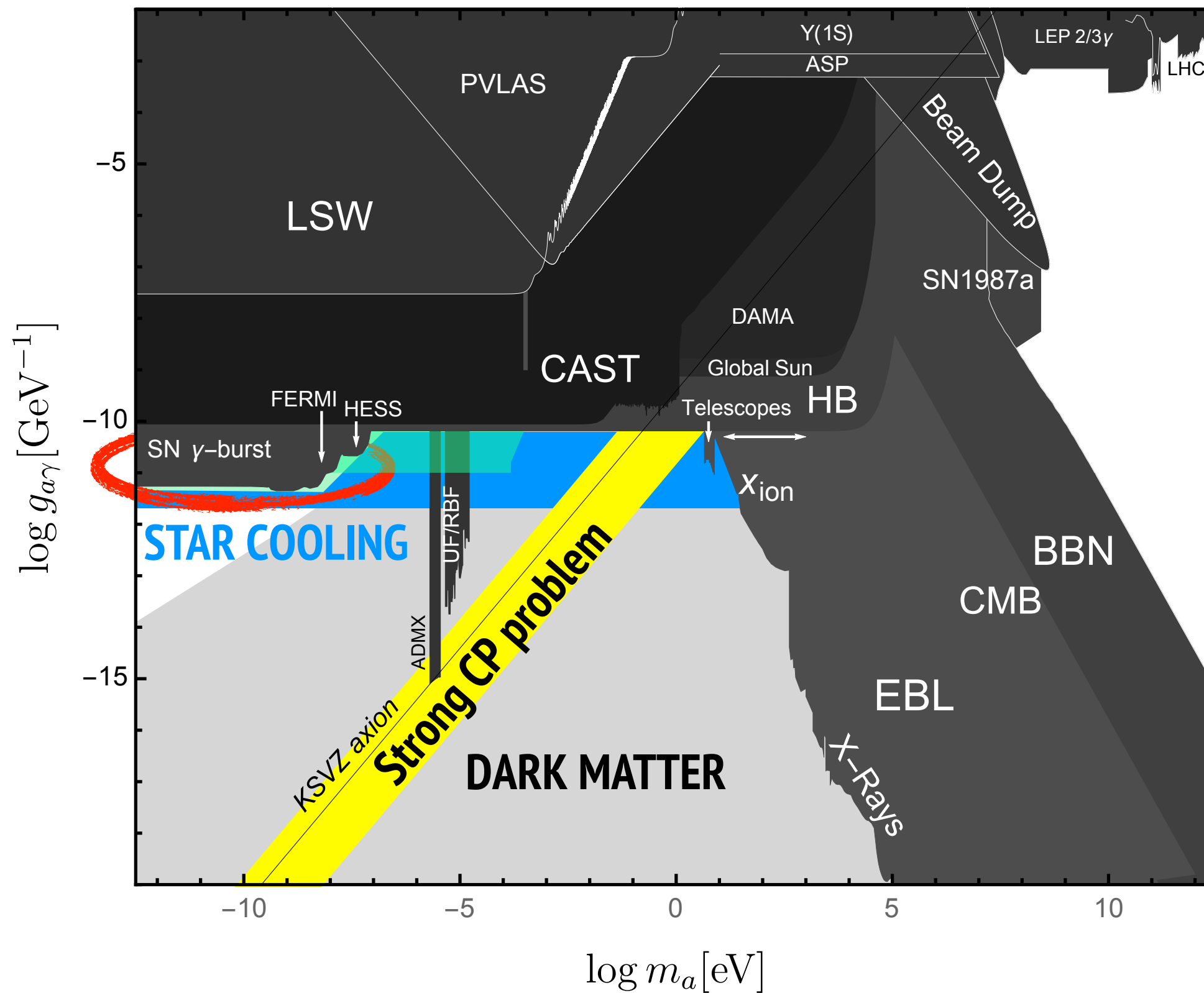
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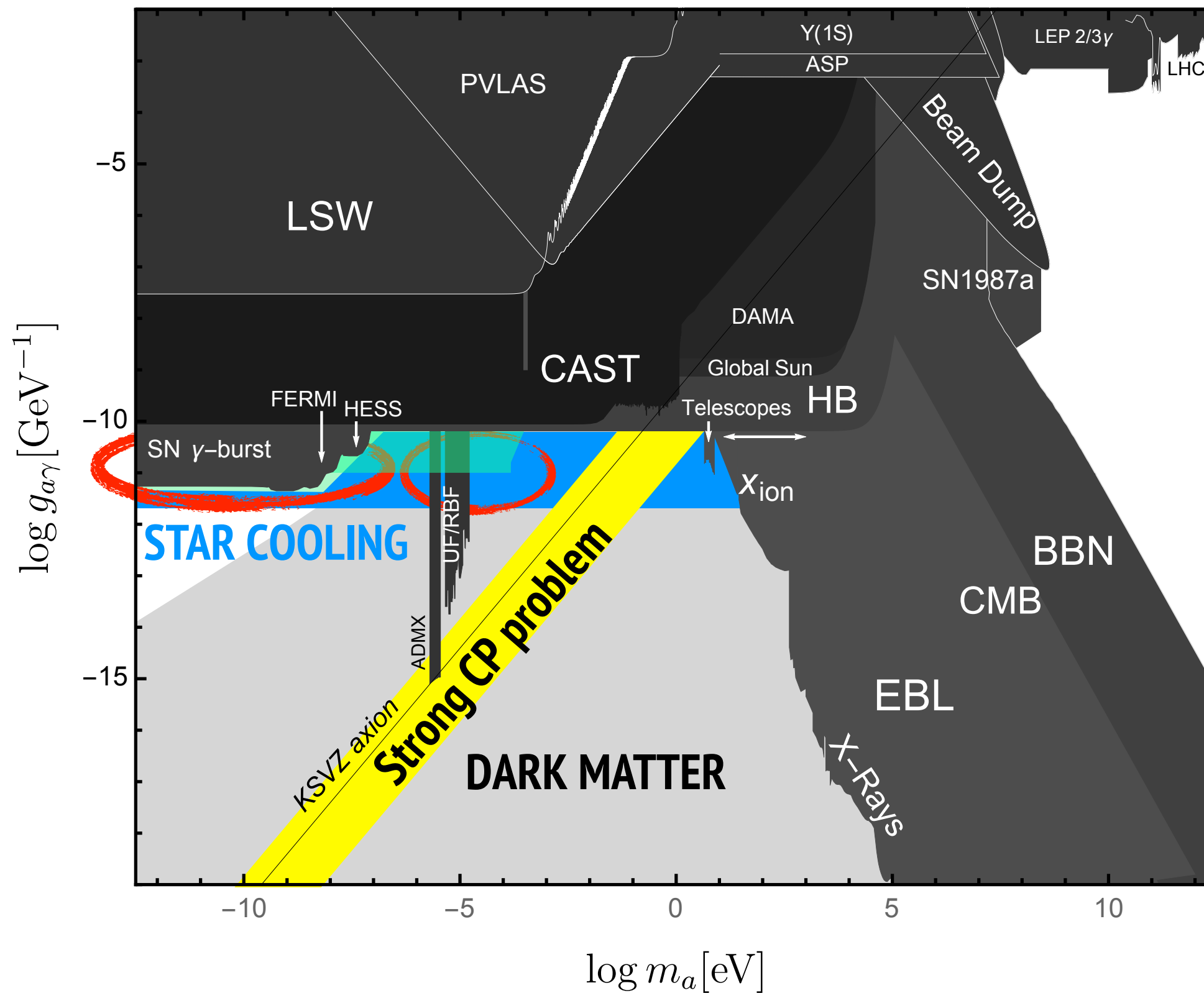
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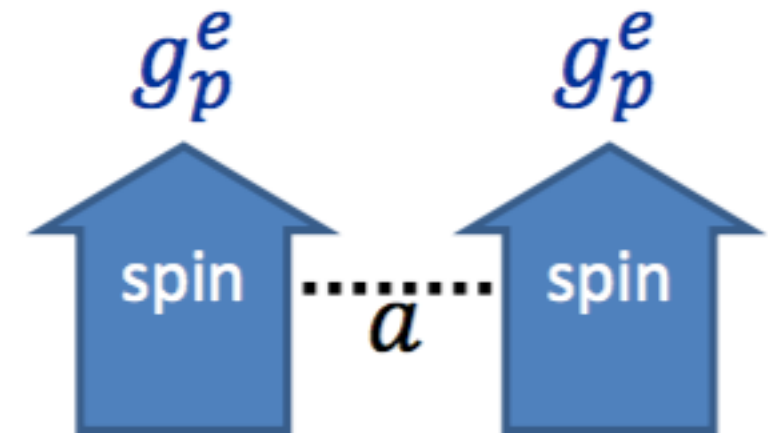
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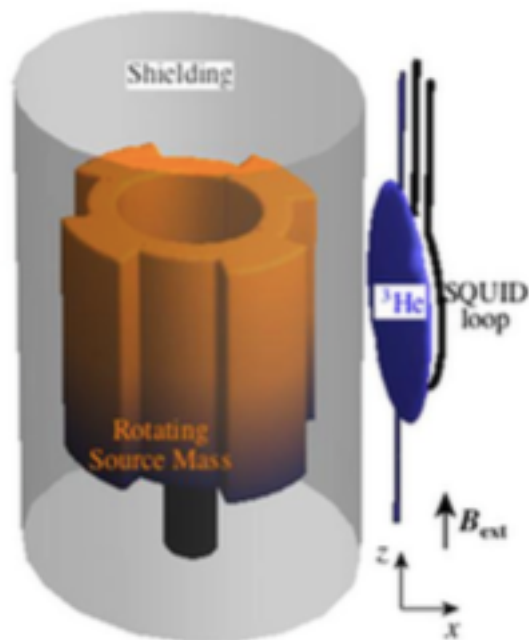
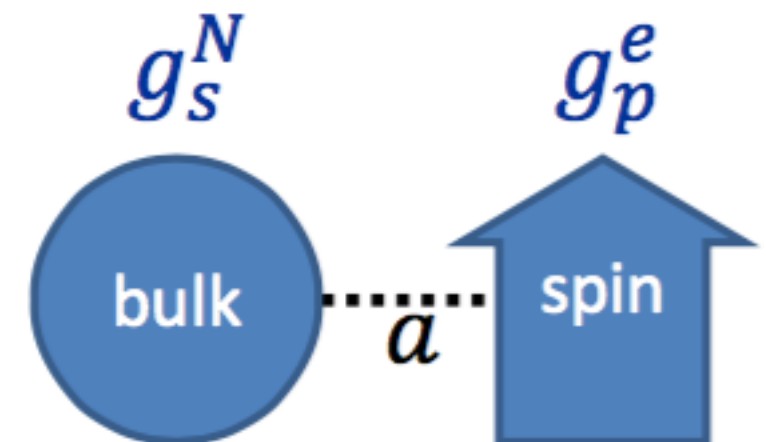
Long-range forces between macroscopic bodies

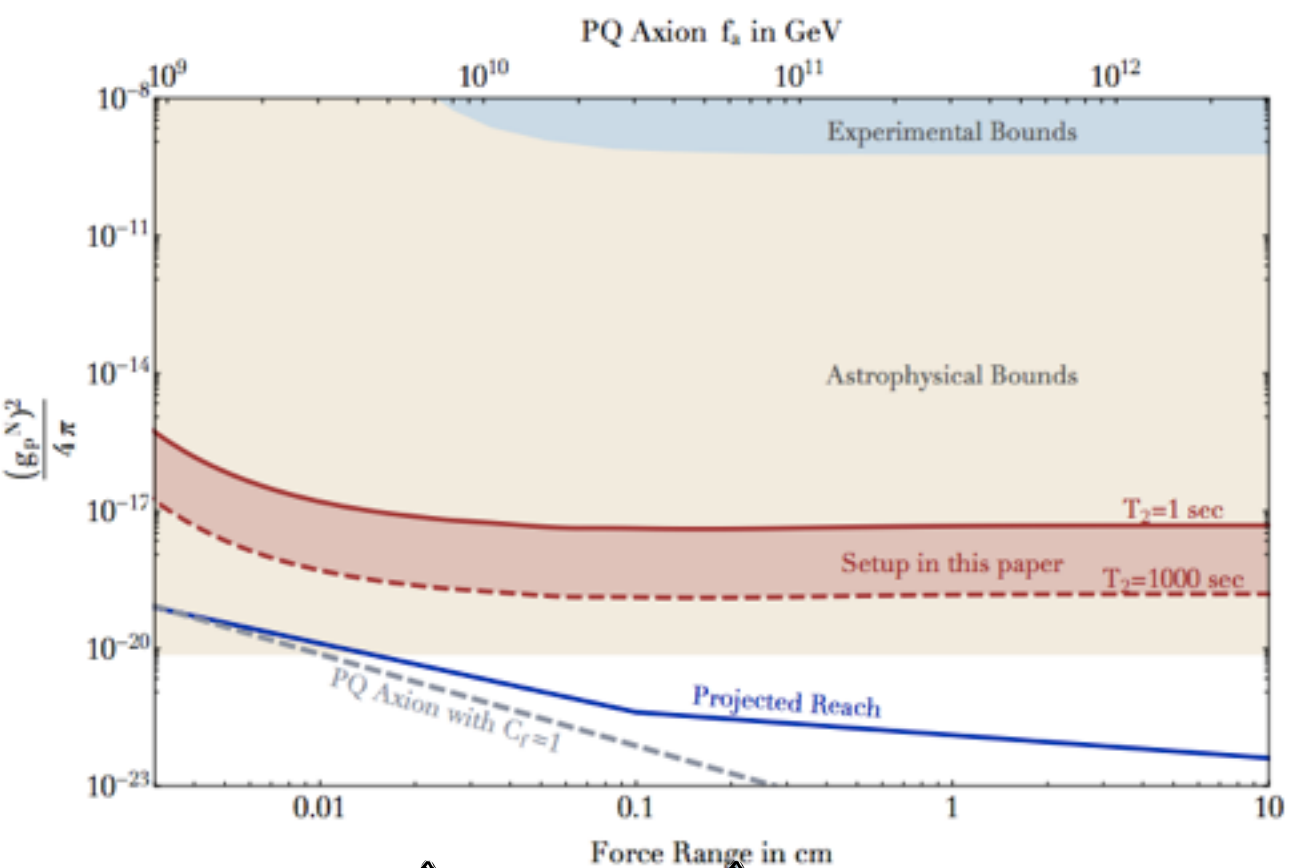
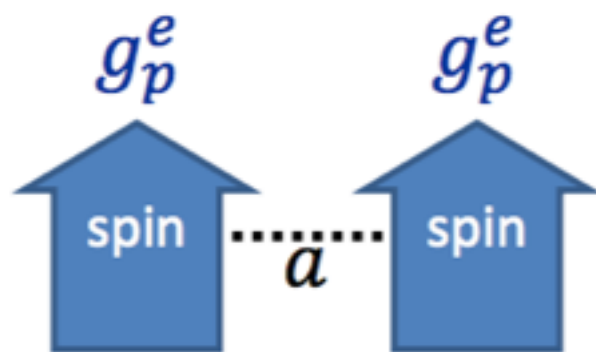
p-p forces are spin-spin ... very hard to measure!



In some case a tiny s-coupling can lead to a larger effect

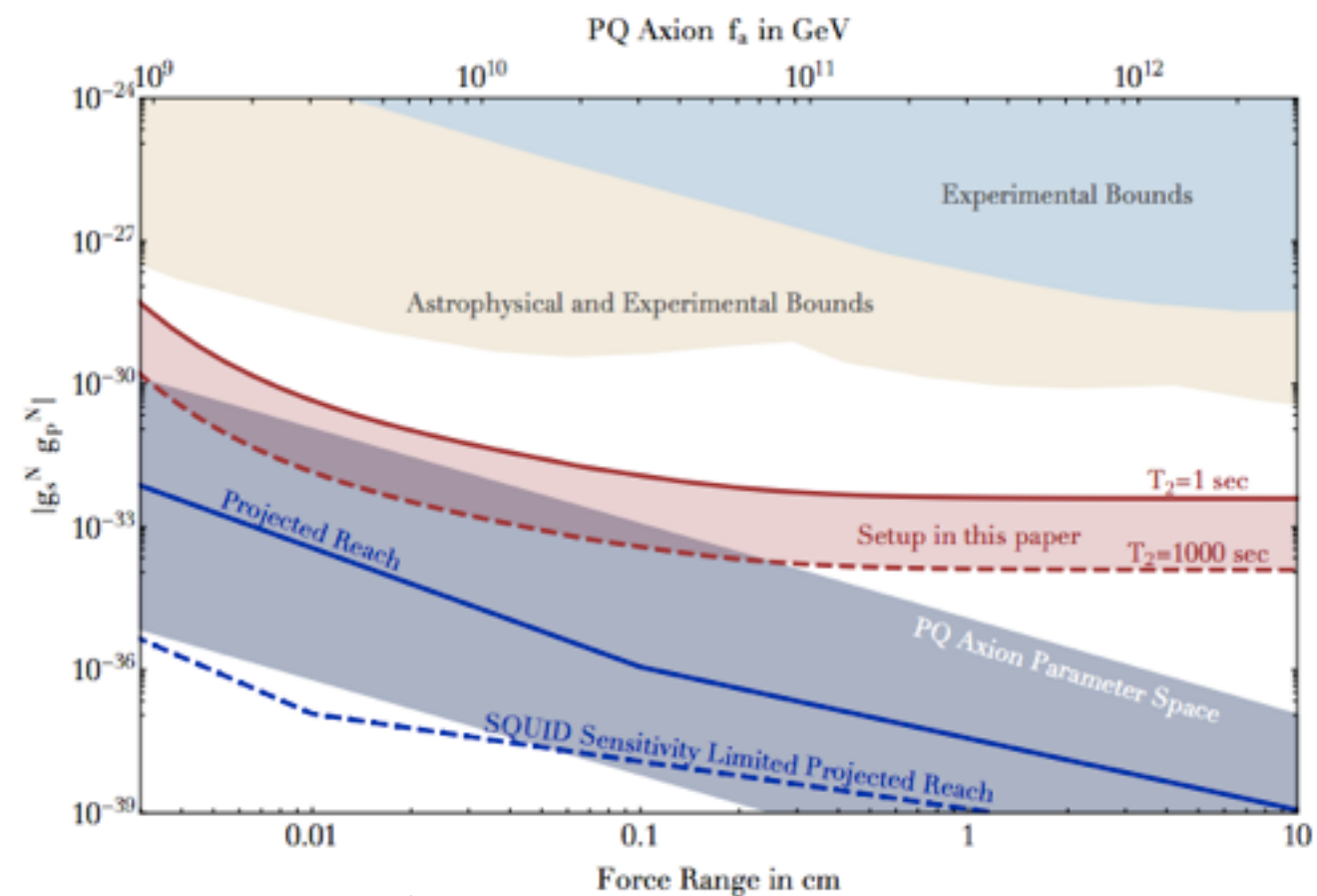
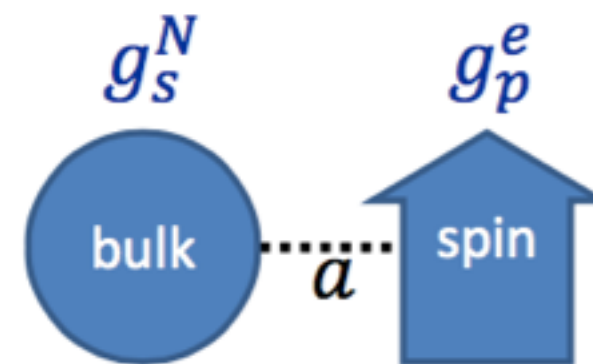
s-p forces are number-spin ... much easier





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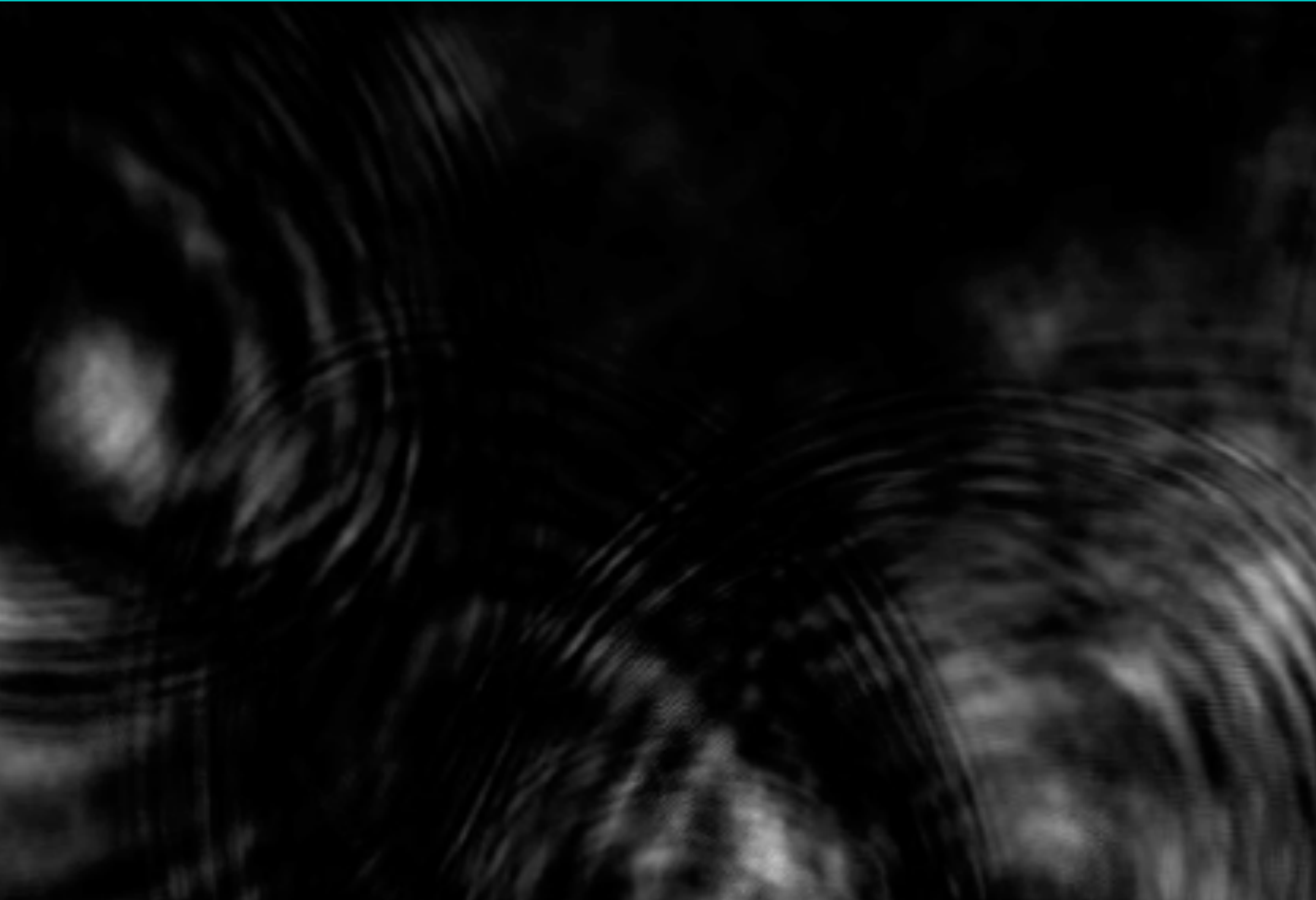
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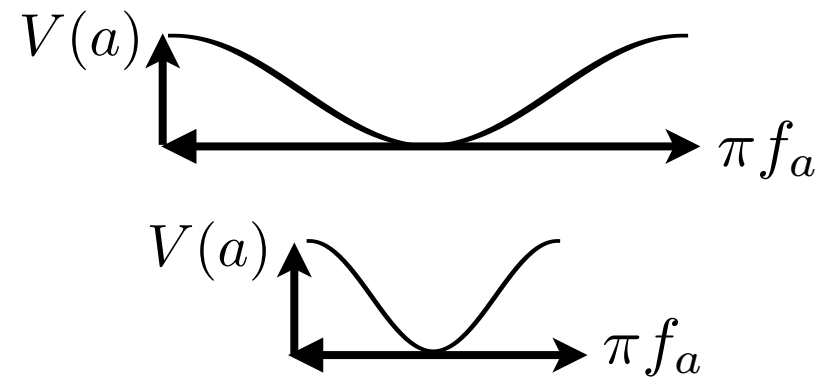
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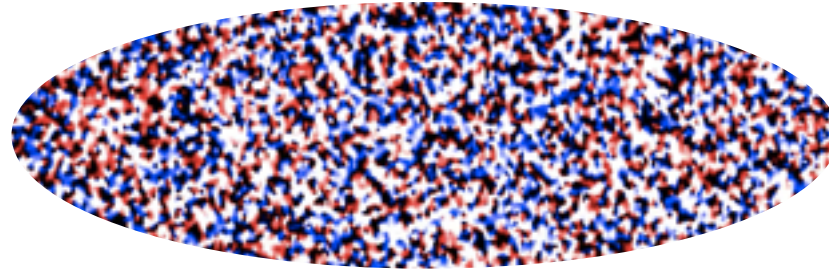
Axion dark matter

- The amount of axion DM produced depends on f_a AND on the initial conditions

large f_a , small acceleration, energy stored longer

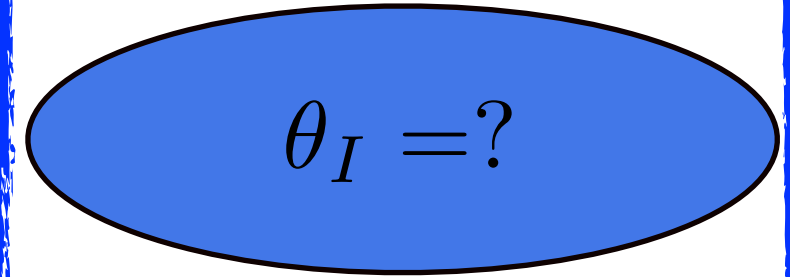


After PQ phase transition, theta IC conditions
no-correlation beyond causal horizon



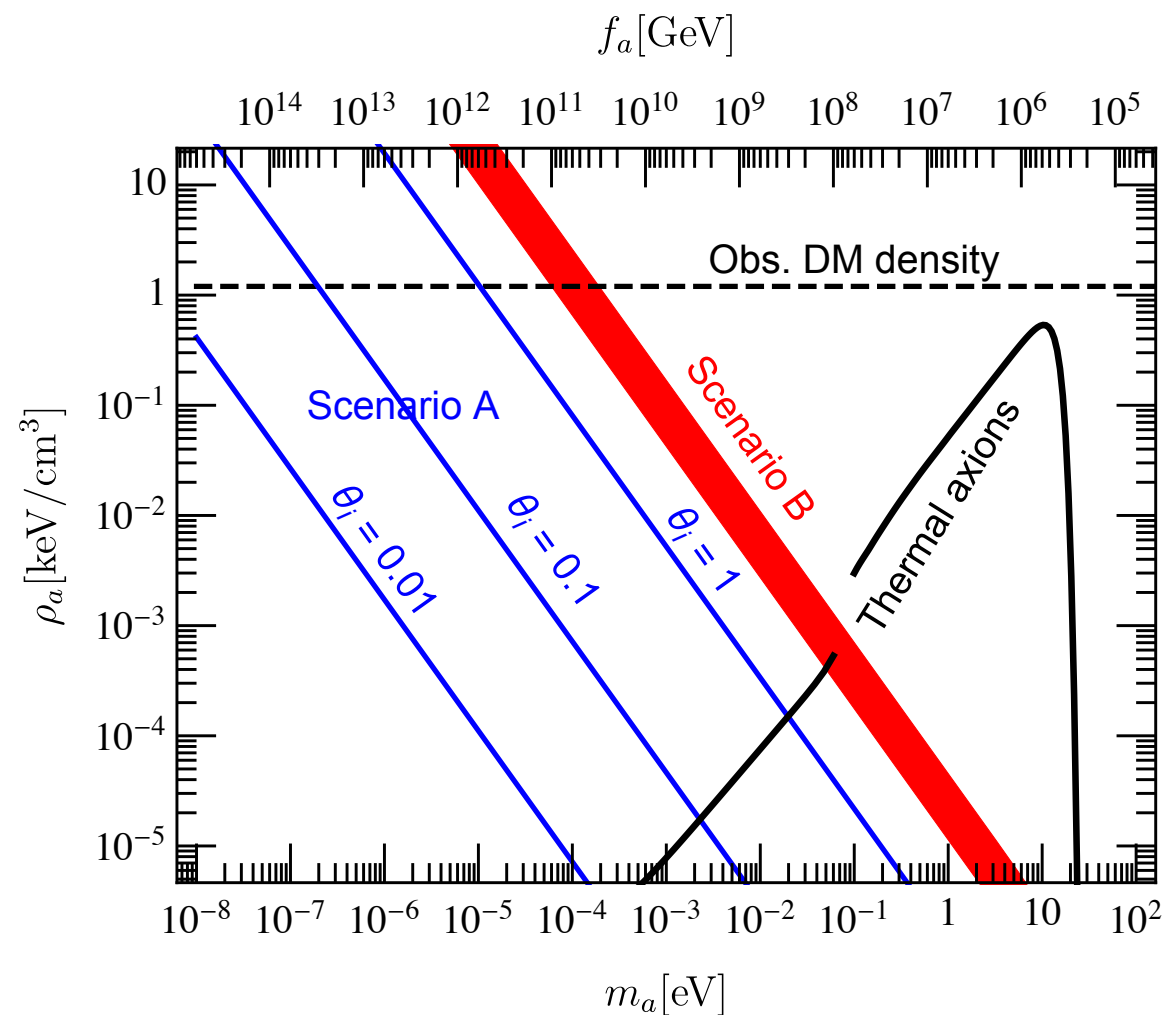
average over initial conditions! -> prediction!

Inflation after PQ phase transition...
one domain stretched beyond our horizon!



$$\theta_I = ?$$

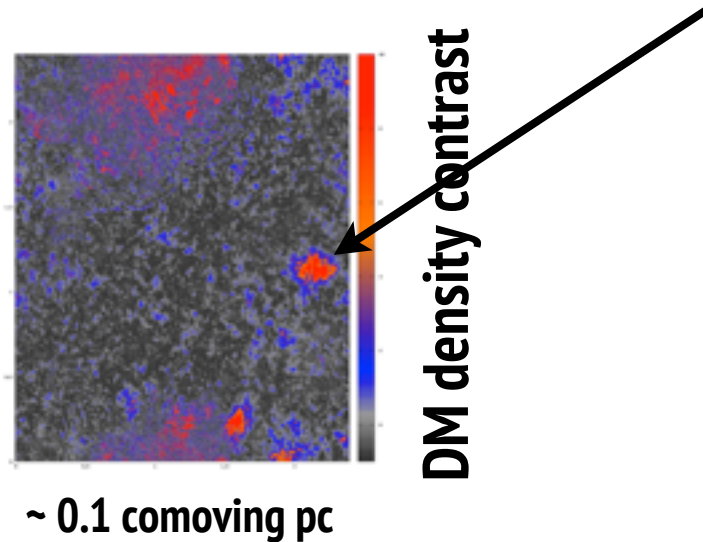
but which one??? no prediction!



Most important constraints

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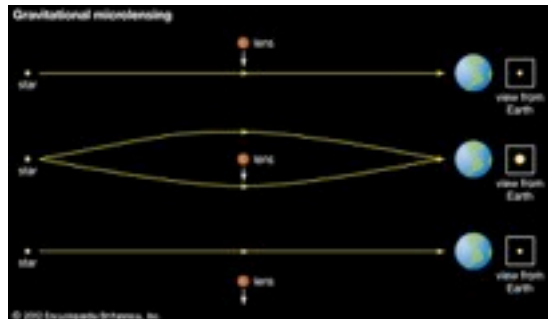
-> DM inhomogeneous, Axion miniclusters



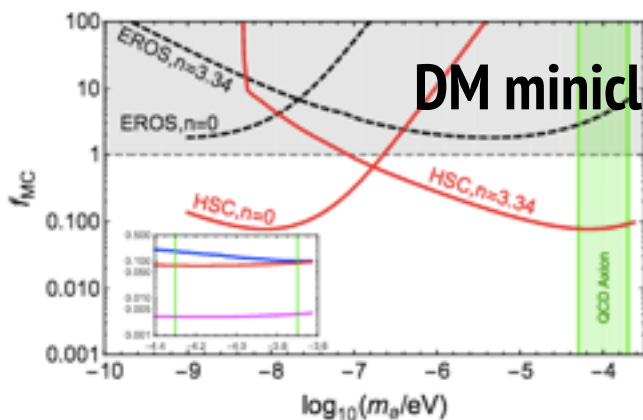
Mass $\sim M \sim 10^{-12} M_\odot$

Merging to heavier masses? $10^{-7} M_\odot$?

Microlensing



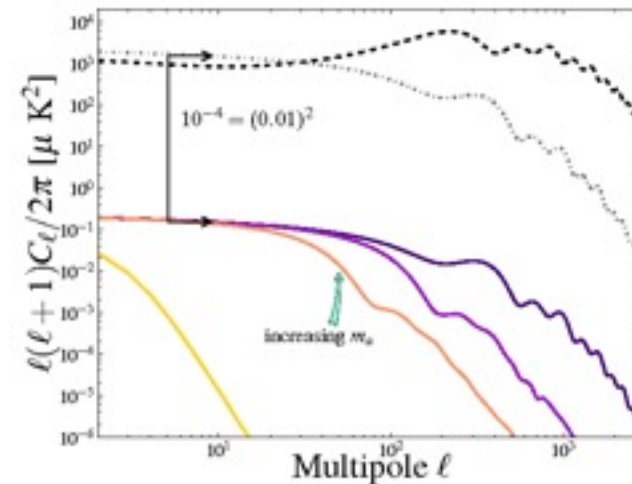
DM minicluster fraction < 0.1



Marsh [1707.03310](https://arxiv.org/abs/1707.03310)

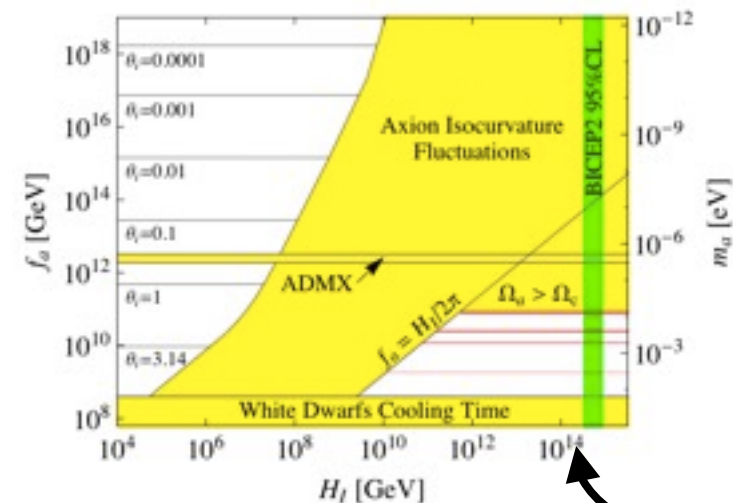
- PQ breaking before inflation

* Axion fluctuations during inflation -> CMB isocurvature



- Planck sees no Isocurvature fluctuations, strong limit!

$$P_{\text{iso}} = \frac{d\langle n_a \rangle}{n_a} \sim \frac{d\langle a^2 \rangle}{a_I^2} = \frac{H_I^2}{\pi^2 a_I^2} = \frac{H_I^2}{\pi^2 f_a^2 \theta_I^2} < 0.039 P_s = 0.88 \times 10^{-10}$$



Depends on Hubble rate during inflation ... H_I

- If H_I is measured by next generation CMB Polarisation axion DM is excluded (avoided in some models)

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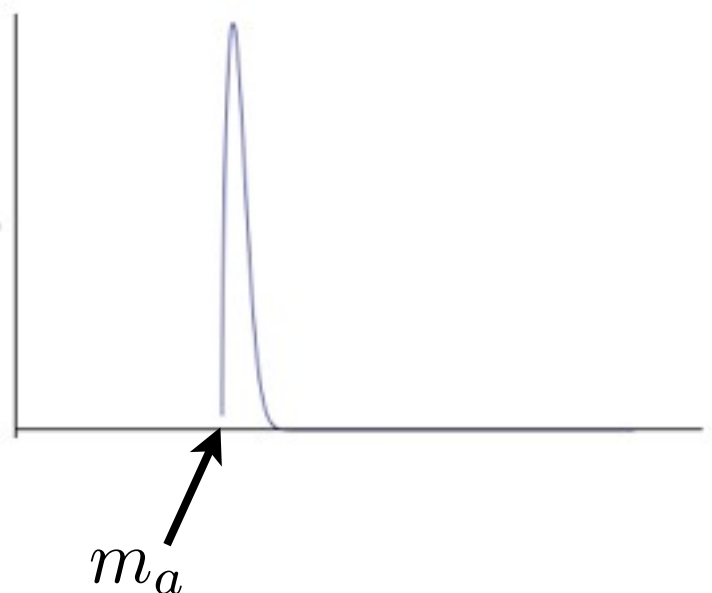
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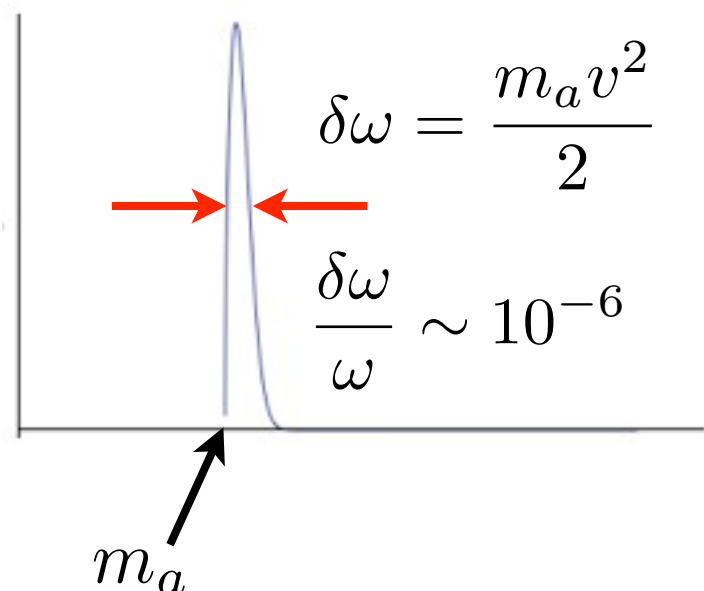
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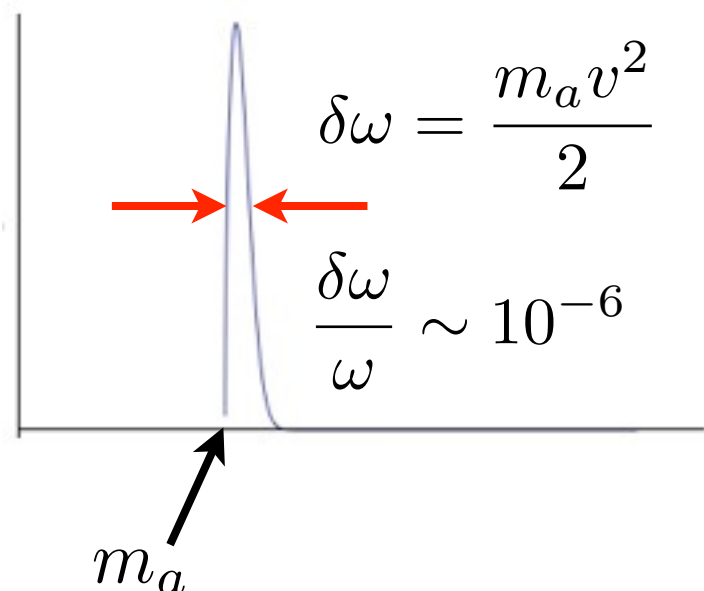
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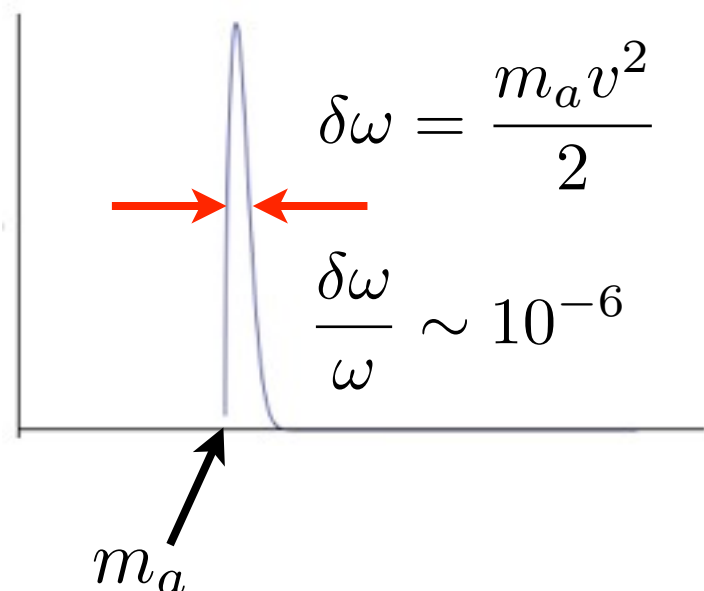
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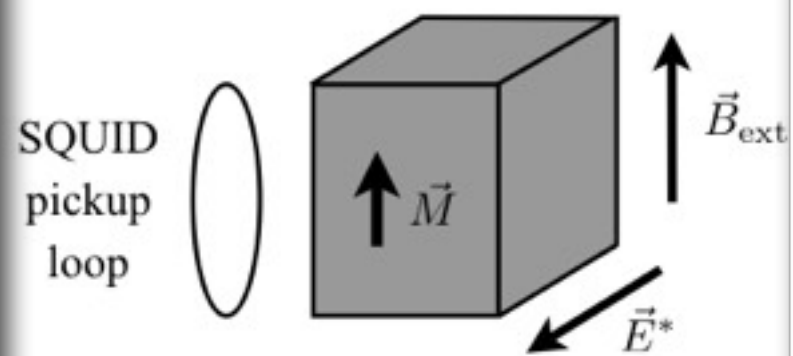
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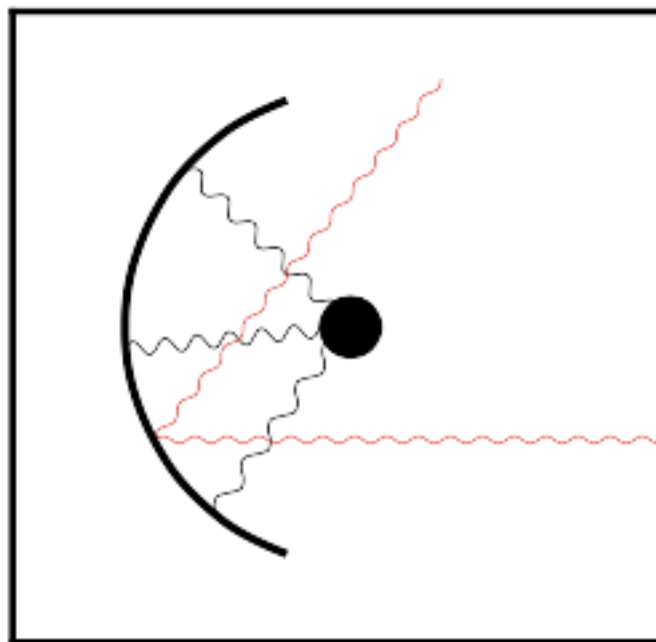
coherence length

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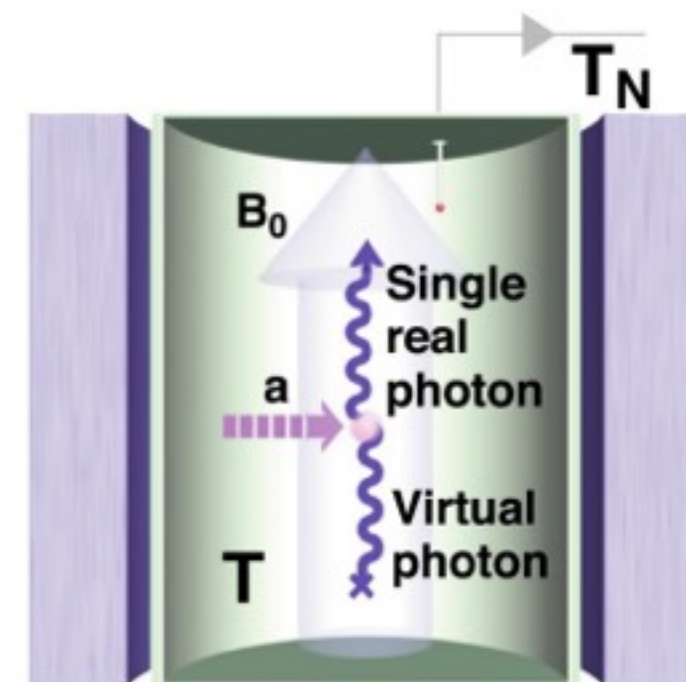
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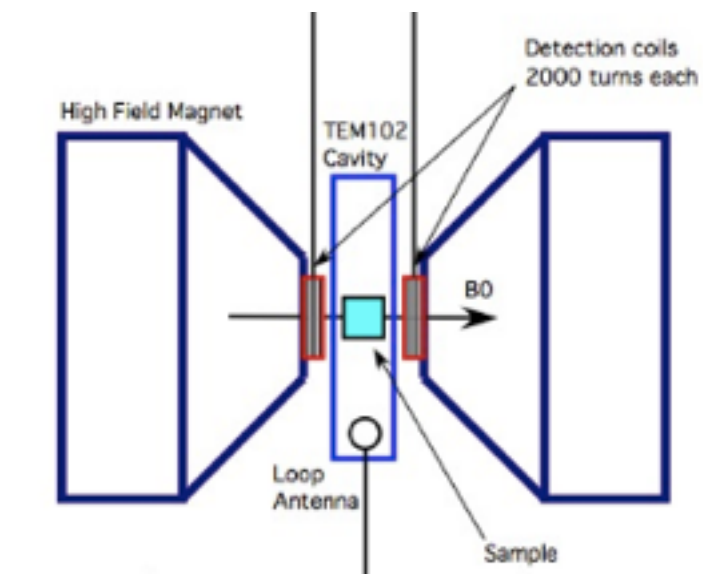
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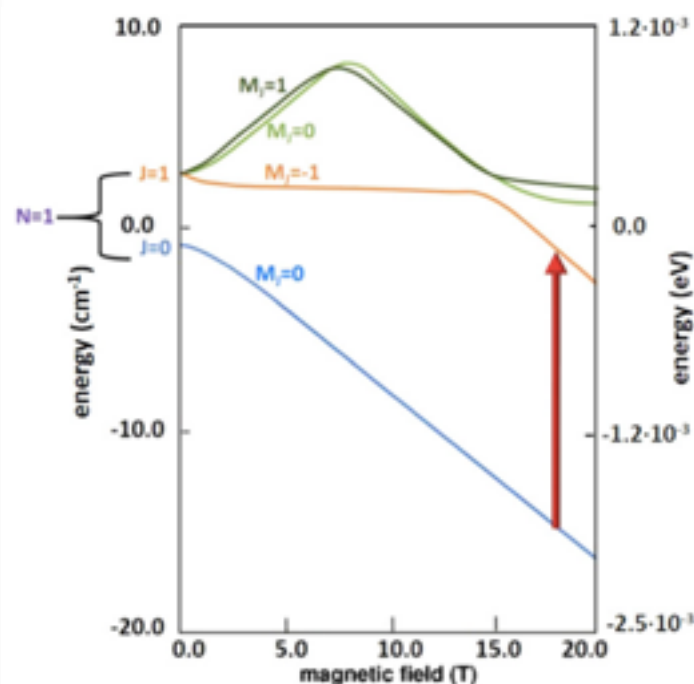
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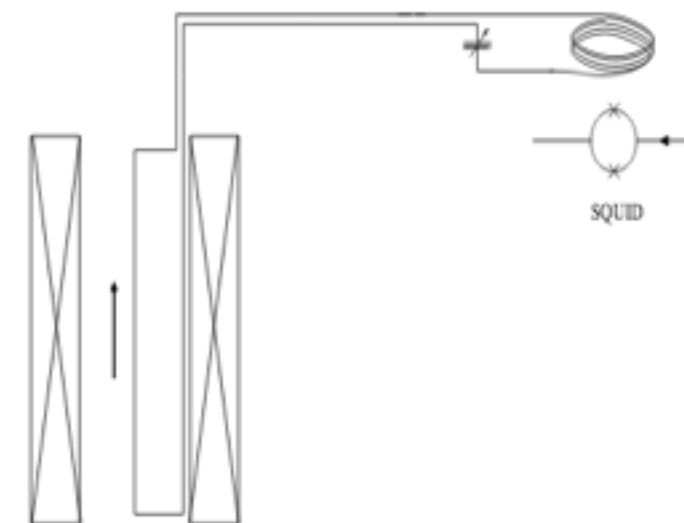
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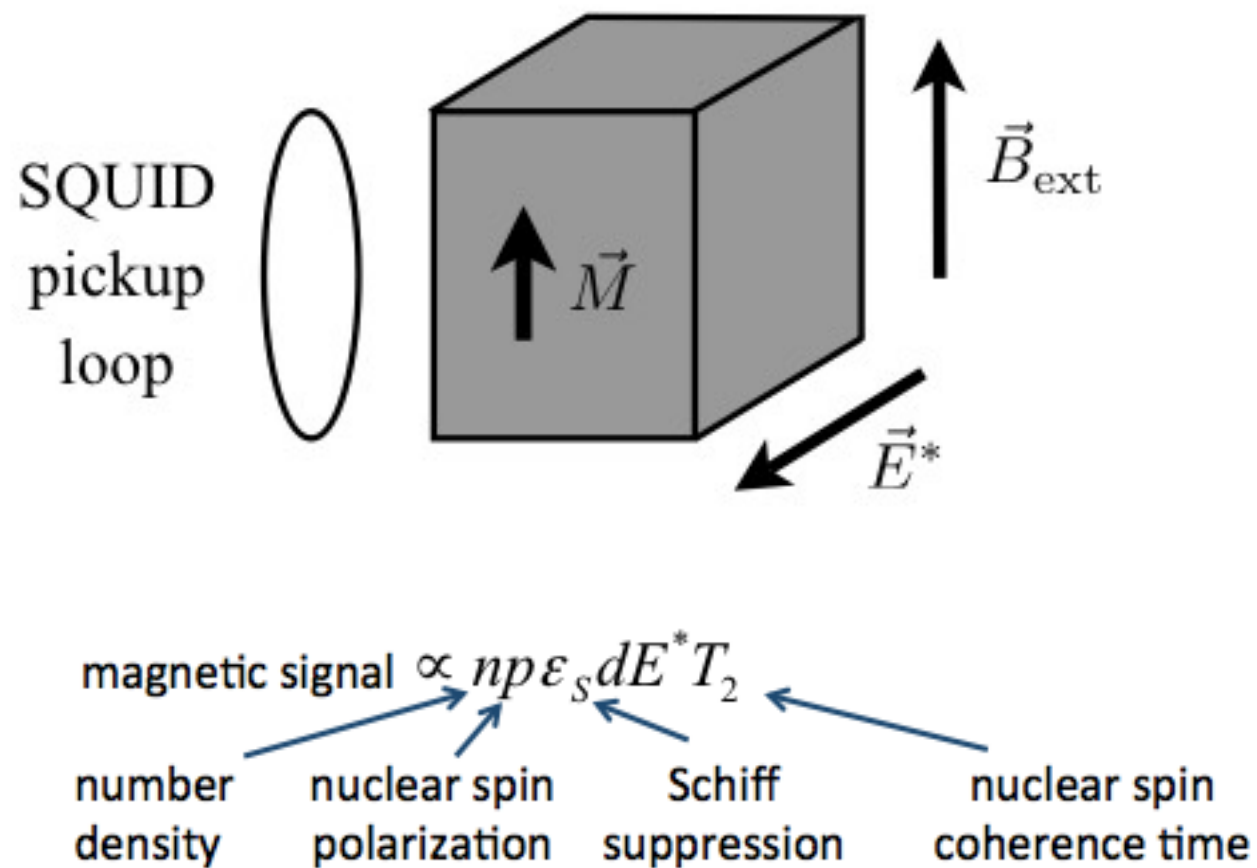


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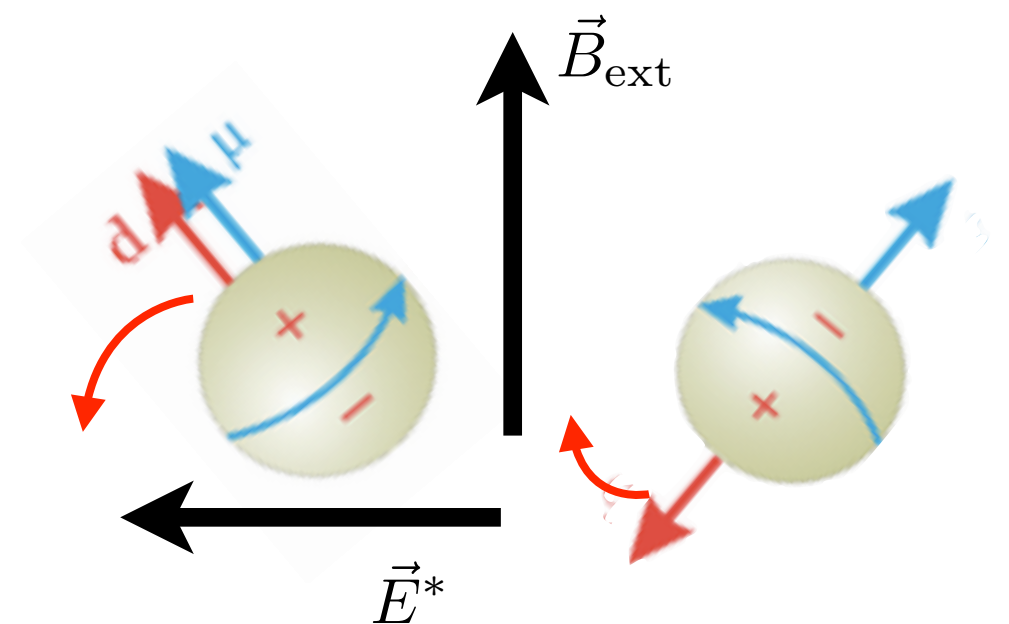
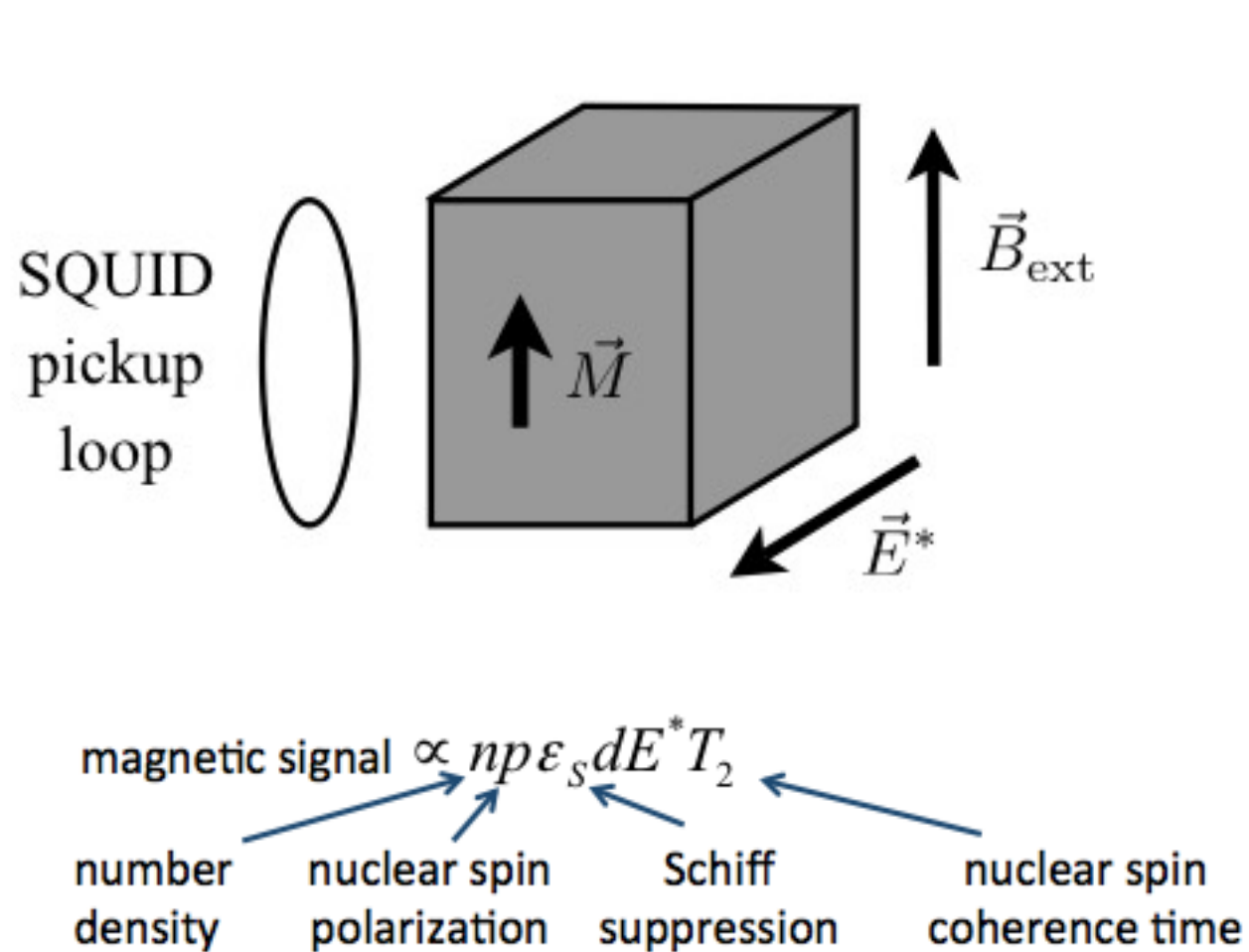


LC-circuit





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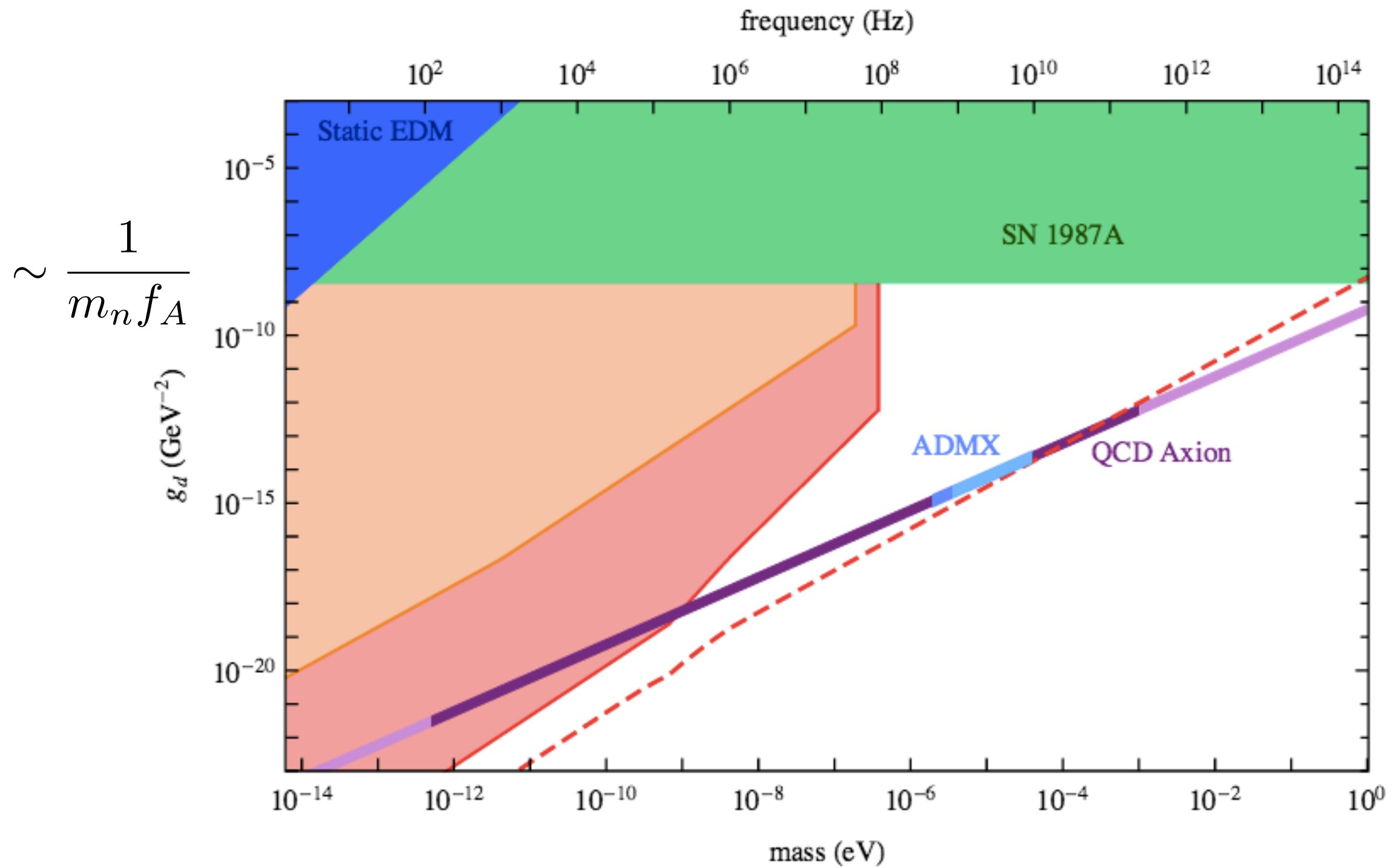
**Oscillating EDM, effects add up,
transverse magnetisation grows**

if $m_a = \omega = \mu |\vec{B}_{\text{ext}}|$

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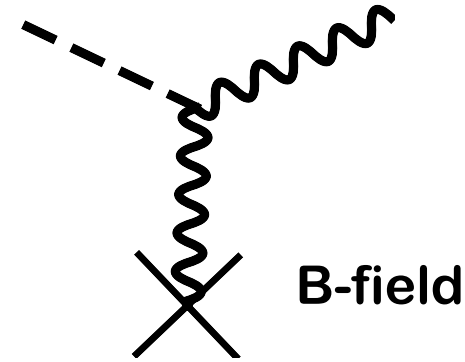
Graham 2012



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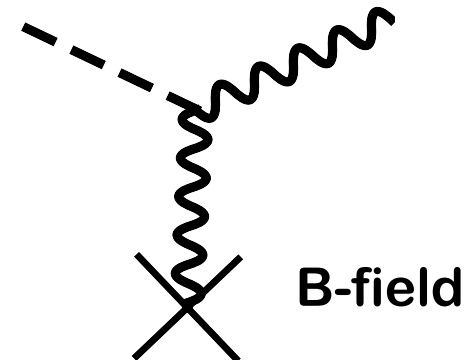
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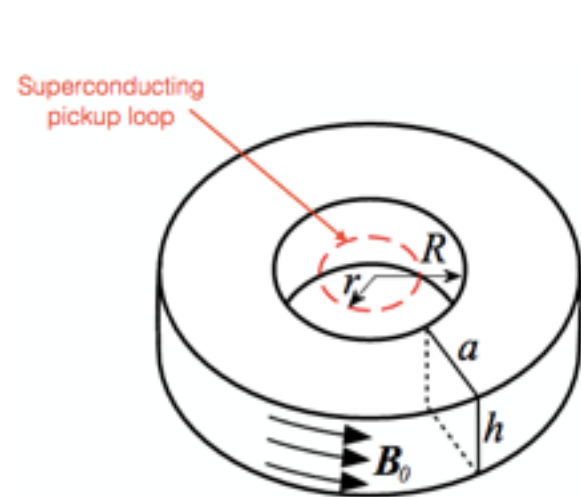
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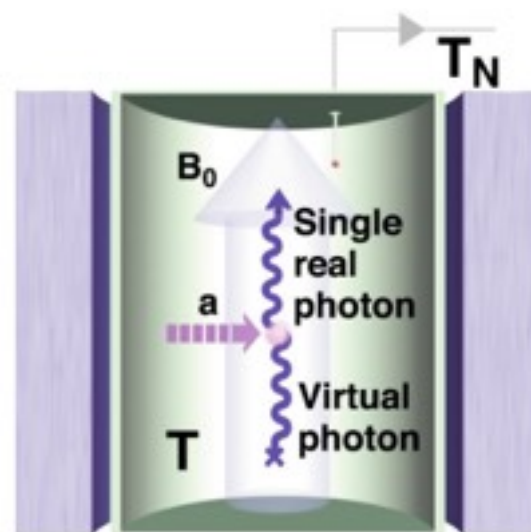
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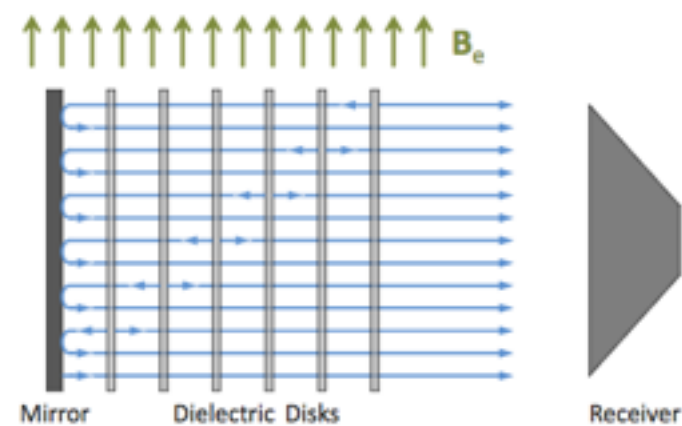
- Four different techniques:



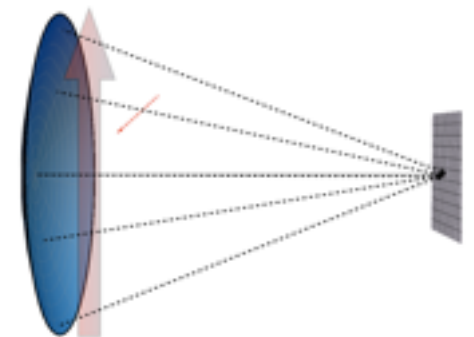
DM Radio



Cavities



Dielectric haloscope

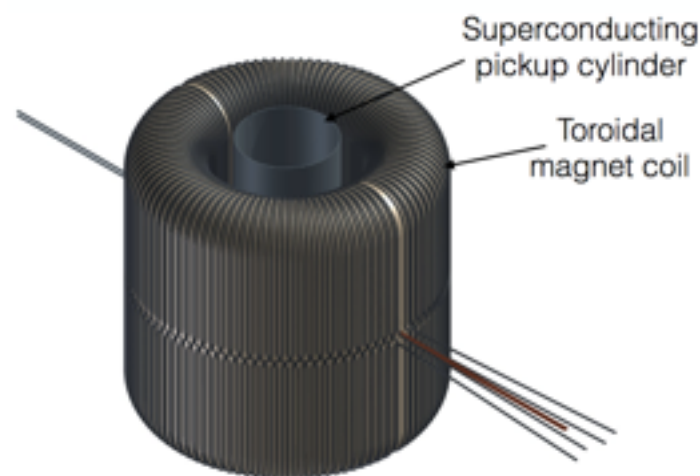
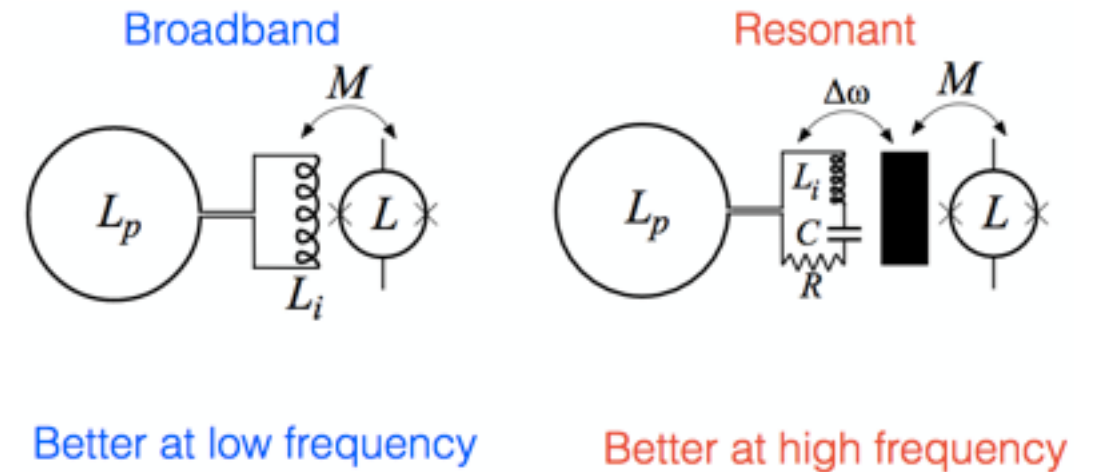
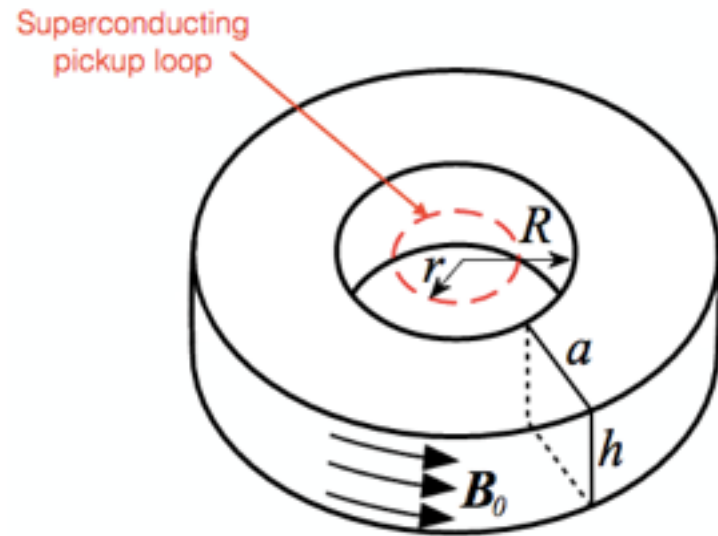


Dish antenna

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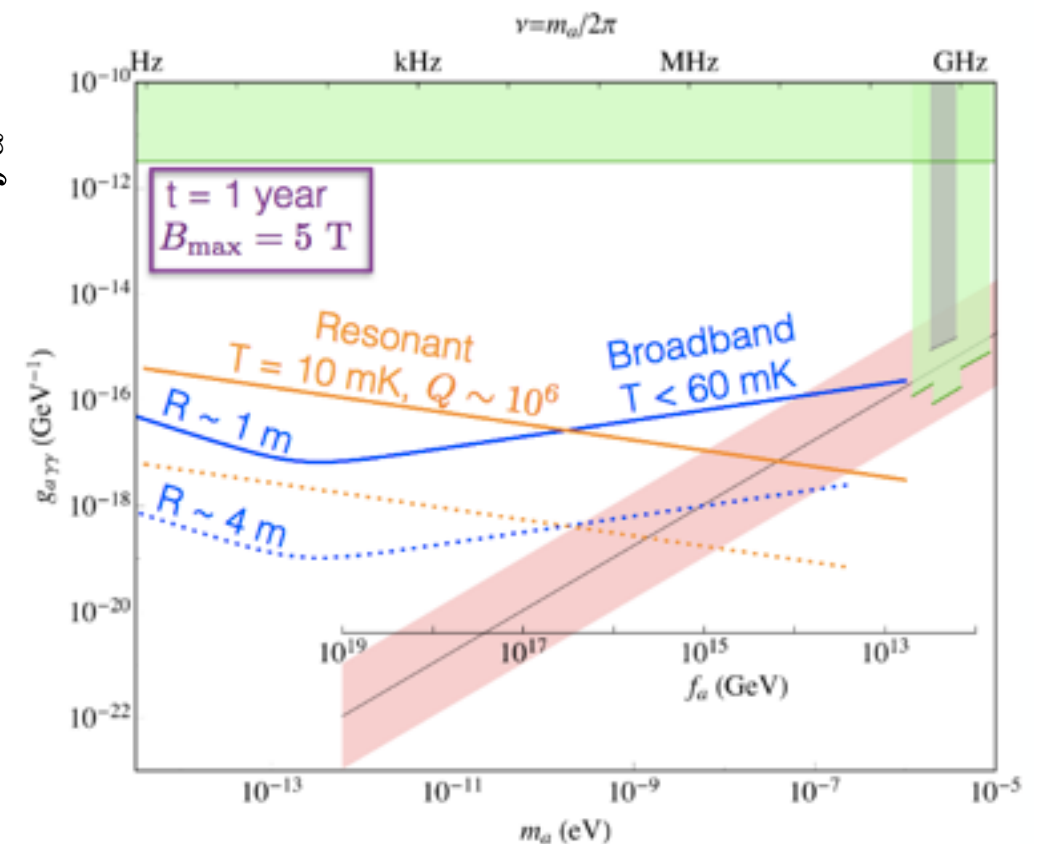
- Toroidal axion-induced E-field generates oscillating B-field along z

Sikivie PRL 112 (2014)
Chaudhuri PRD92 (2015)
Kahn PRL 117 (2016)



ABRACADABRA (MIT)
10 cm, 1m, 4m ...

axion coupling $\propto \frac{1}{2\pi f_a}$

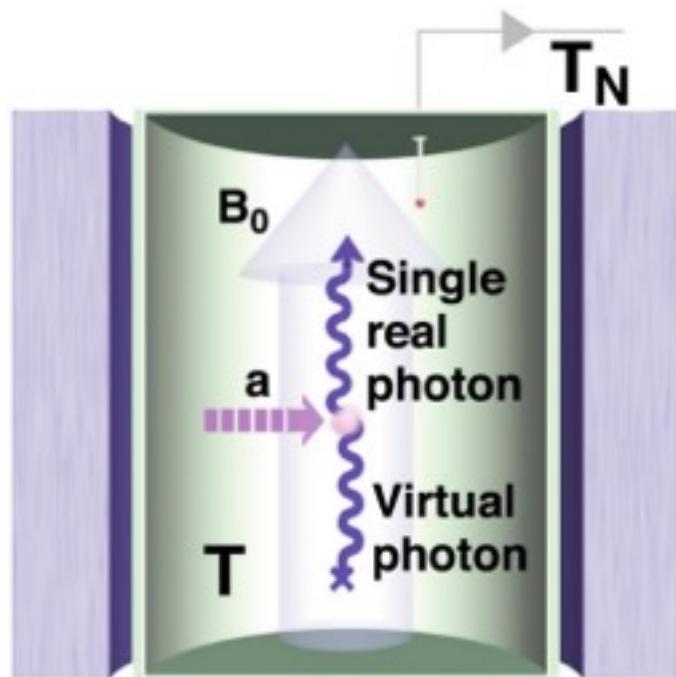


Resonant cavities: haloscopes



P. Sikivie

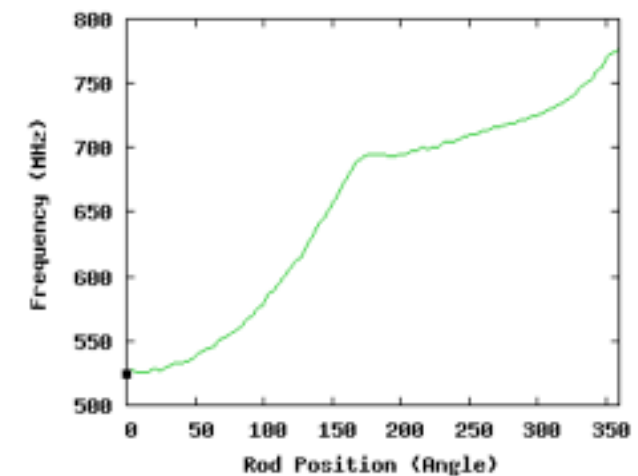
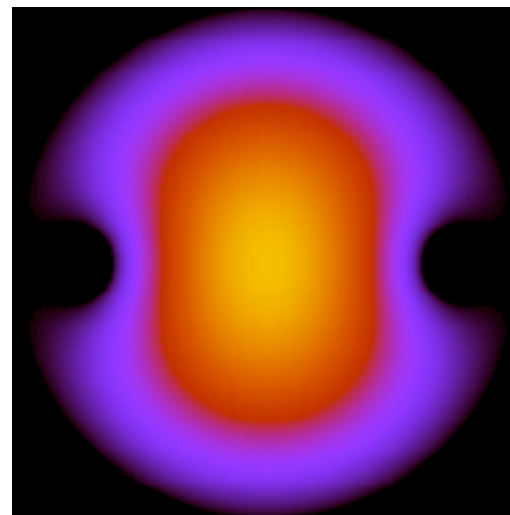
- Boost the axion-generated E-field in a tuned resonant cavity



$$P_{\text{out}} \sim Q |\mathbf{E}_a|^2 V m_a$$

- Cavity quality factor $Q \sim 10^5$
- B-fields $B \sim 10\text{T}$
- Volume $\sim 1/m_a^3$ (typically a few liters)
- Temperature $T \sim 0.2 - 4\text{ K}$
- System T $\sim$ Quantum limited (SQUID, JPA)

Scanning over frequencies



- At high freq. limited by small volume and high noise
- At low freq. by getting a large enough B-field

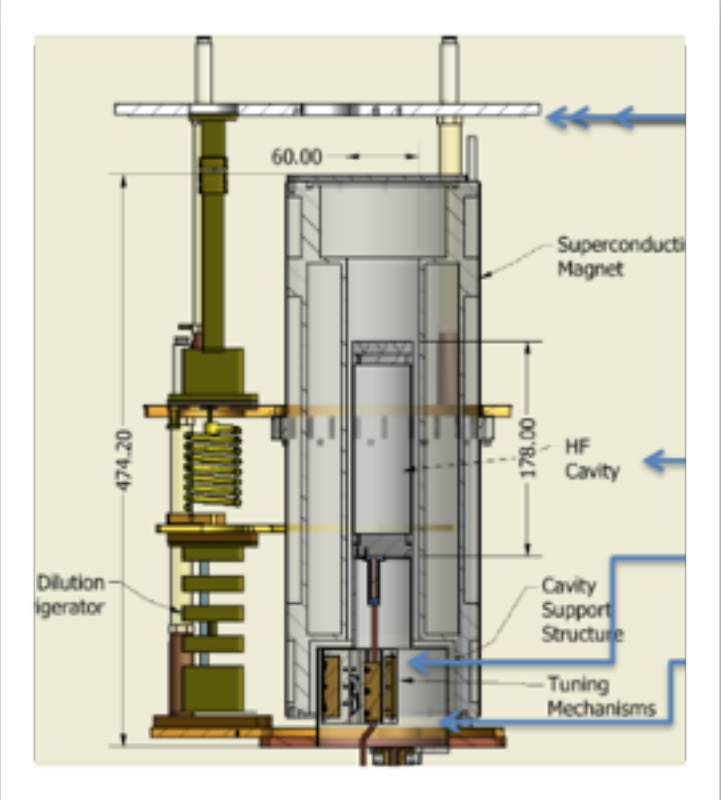
Cavity experiments

ADMX-Seattle



running!

CULTASK - CAPP - Korea



2017-...

ORGAN-UWA Perth



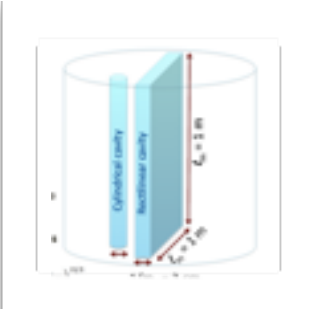
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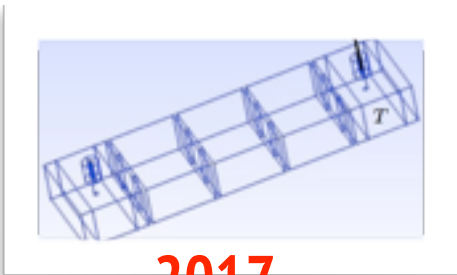


2016-...

ADMX-Fermilab



RADES



2017-...

CAST-CAPP



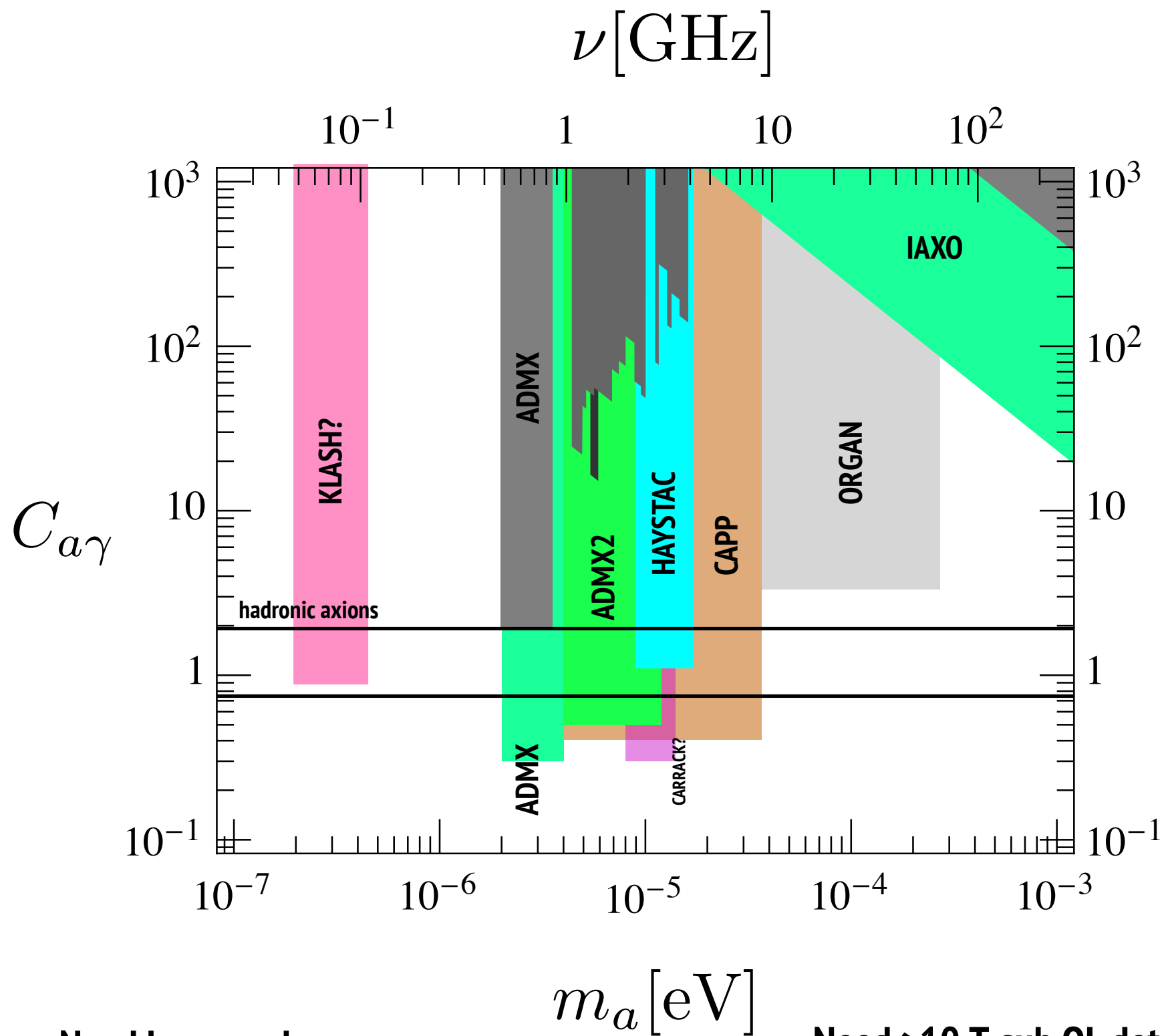
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KLASH?



??-...

Projected sensitivities

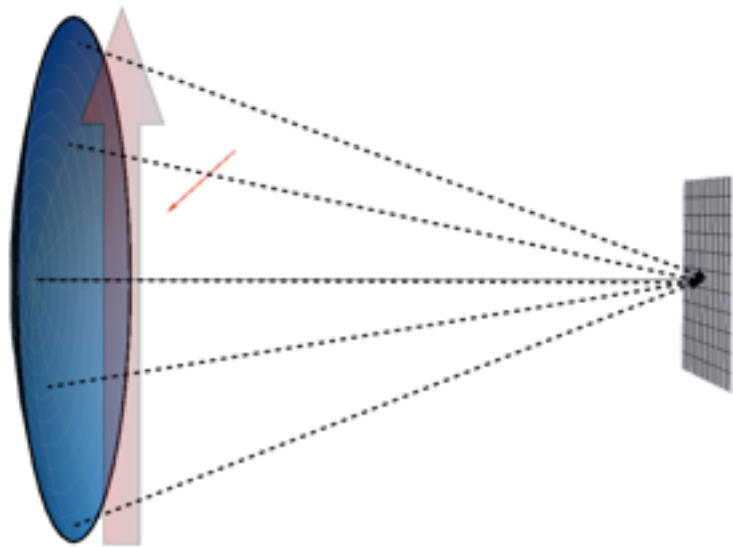


- Need larger volume

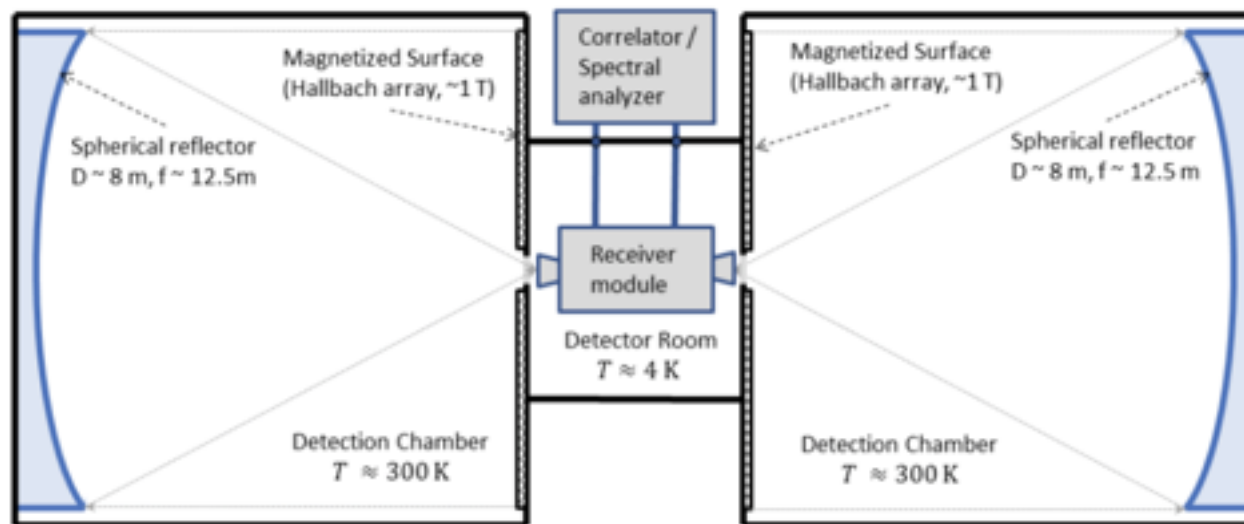
- Need >10 T, sub QL detection, $Q \sim 10^6$

Dish antenna

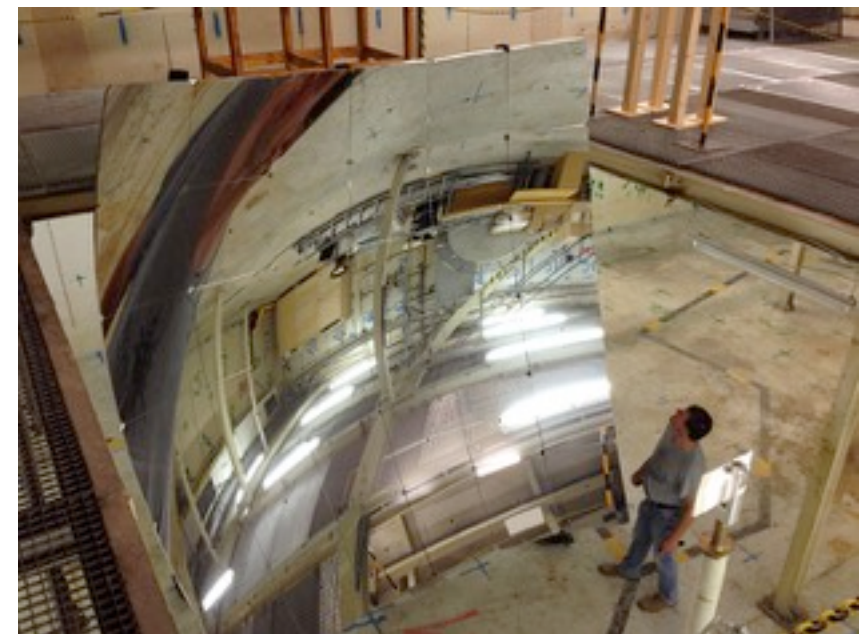
- Detect radiated power from a huge ($A m_a^2 \gg 10^6$) magnetised dish
- Broadband, no resonance enhancement; Only detector needs to be at T~mK (high reflectivity dish)
- Magnetise Area with permanent-magnets, photon counting?



$$P/Area \sim |\mathbf{E}_a|^2 \sim 2 \times 10^{-27} \left(\frac{B}{5T} \frac{C_{a\gamma}}{2} \right)^2 \frac{\text{Watt}}{1 \text{ m}^2}$$



BRASS @ Hamburg

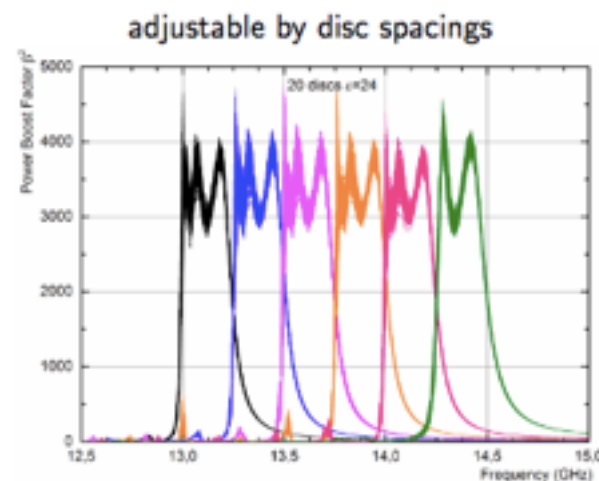
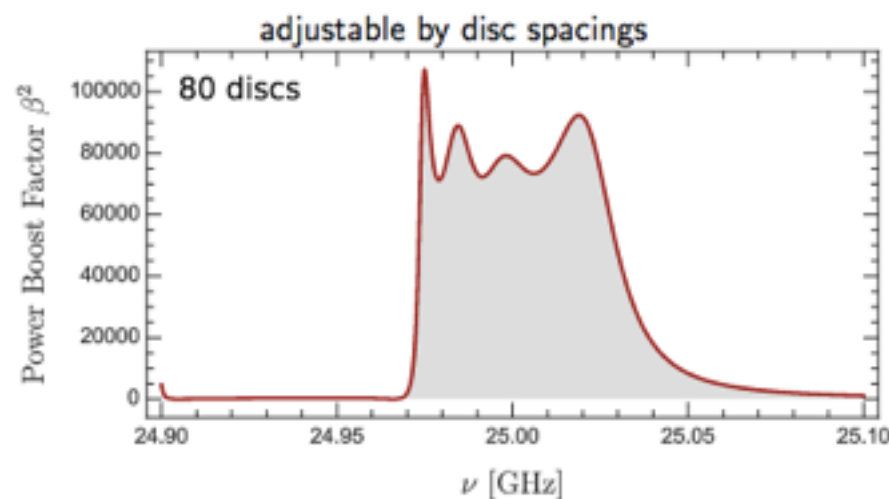
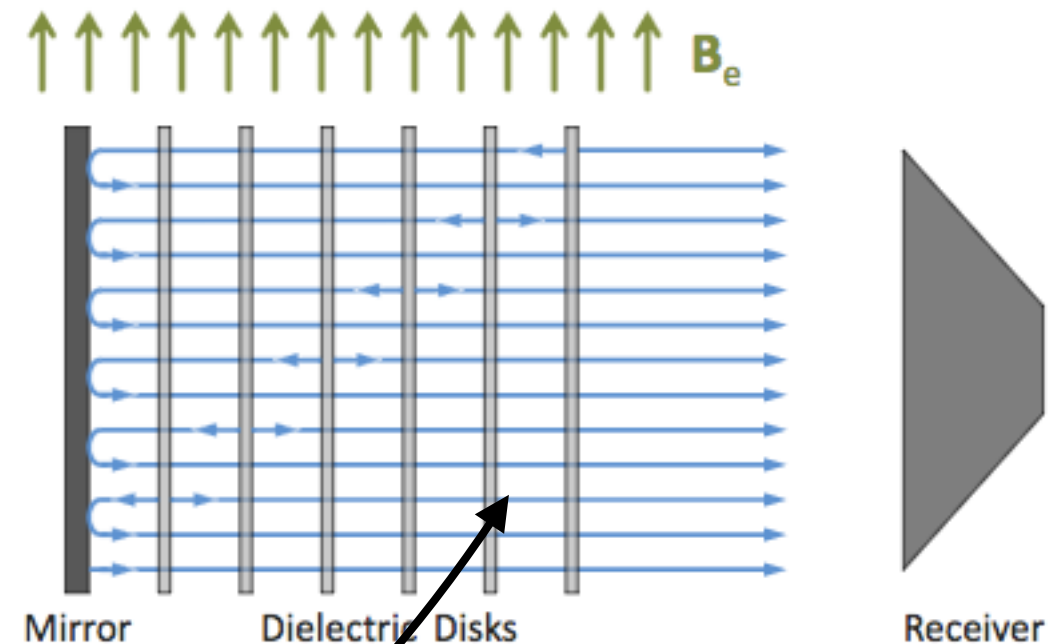
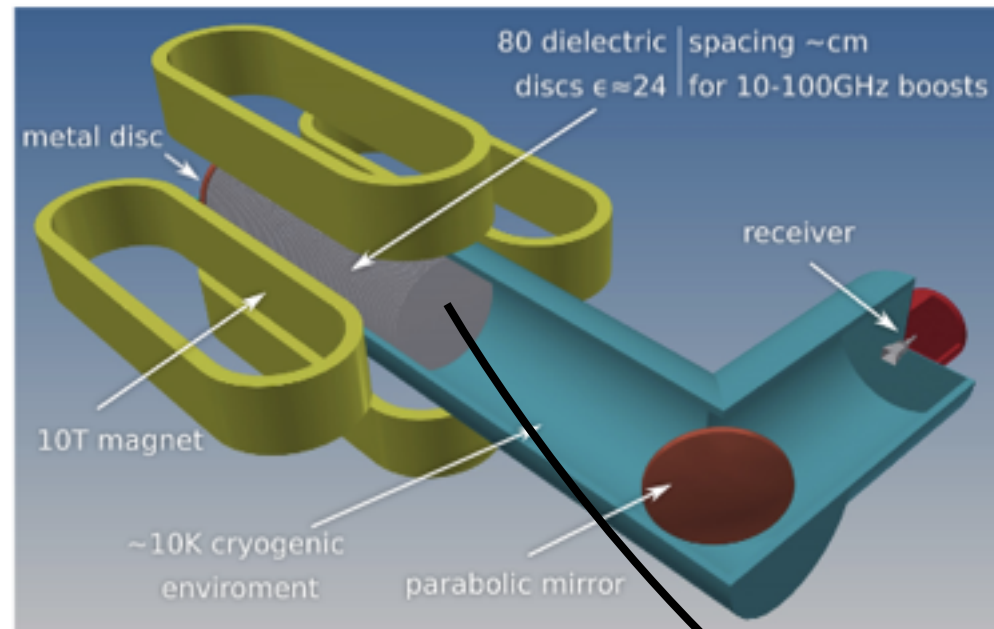


FUNK experiment (KIT)

Dielectric haloscope : MADMAX

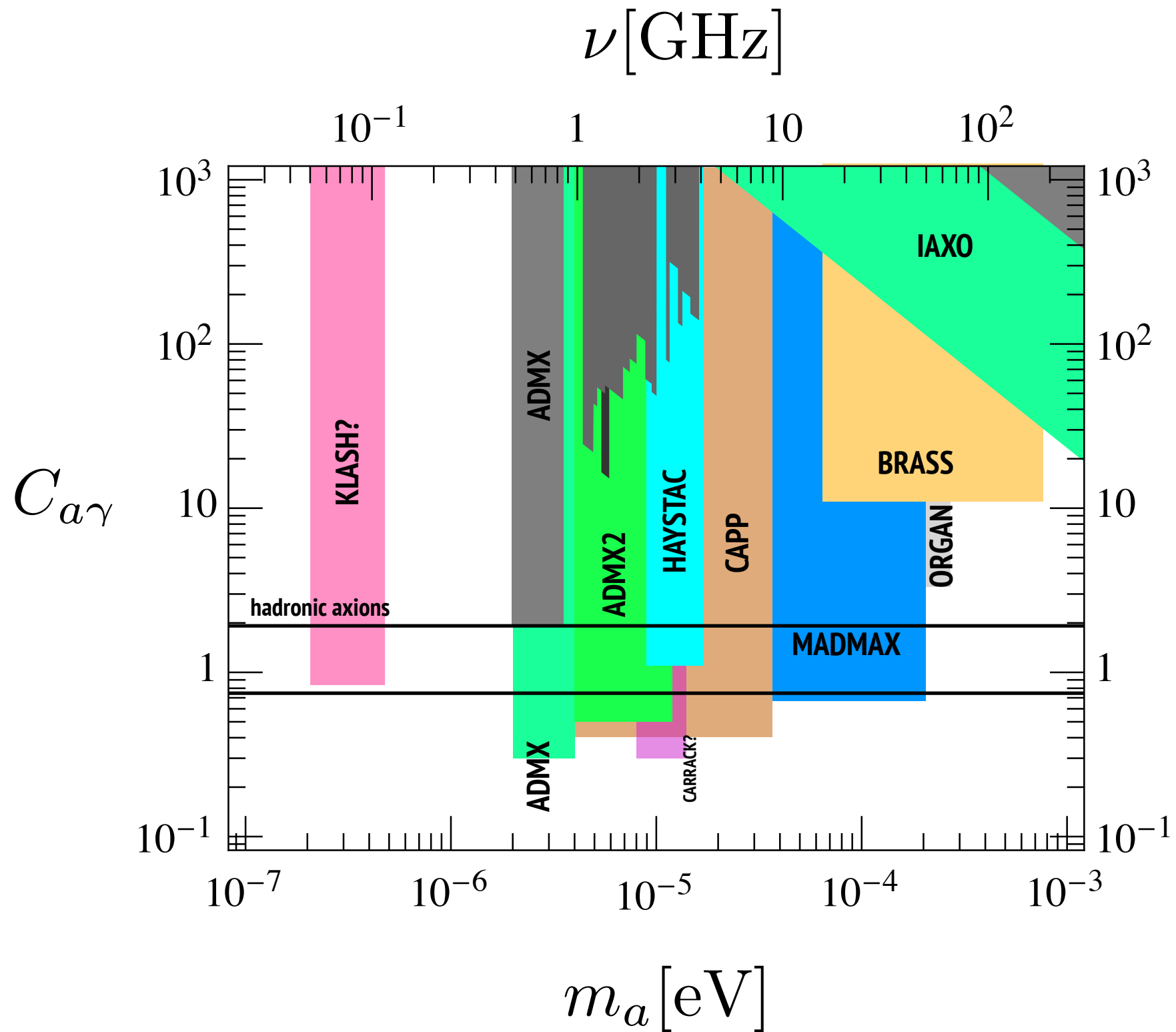
- Hybrid system, large area + multiple emitters + a bit of resonant enhancement

$$\frac{P}{Area} \sim 2 \times 10^{-27} \frac{W}{m^2} \left(\frac{c_\gamma}{2} \frac{B_{||}}{5T} \right)^2 \frac{1}{\epsilon} \times \beta(\omega) \quad \text{boost factor}$$

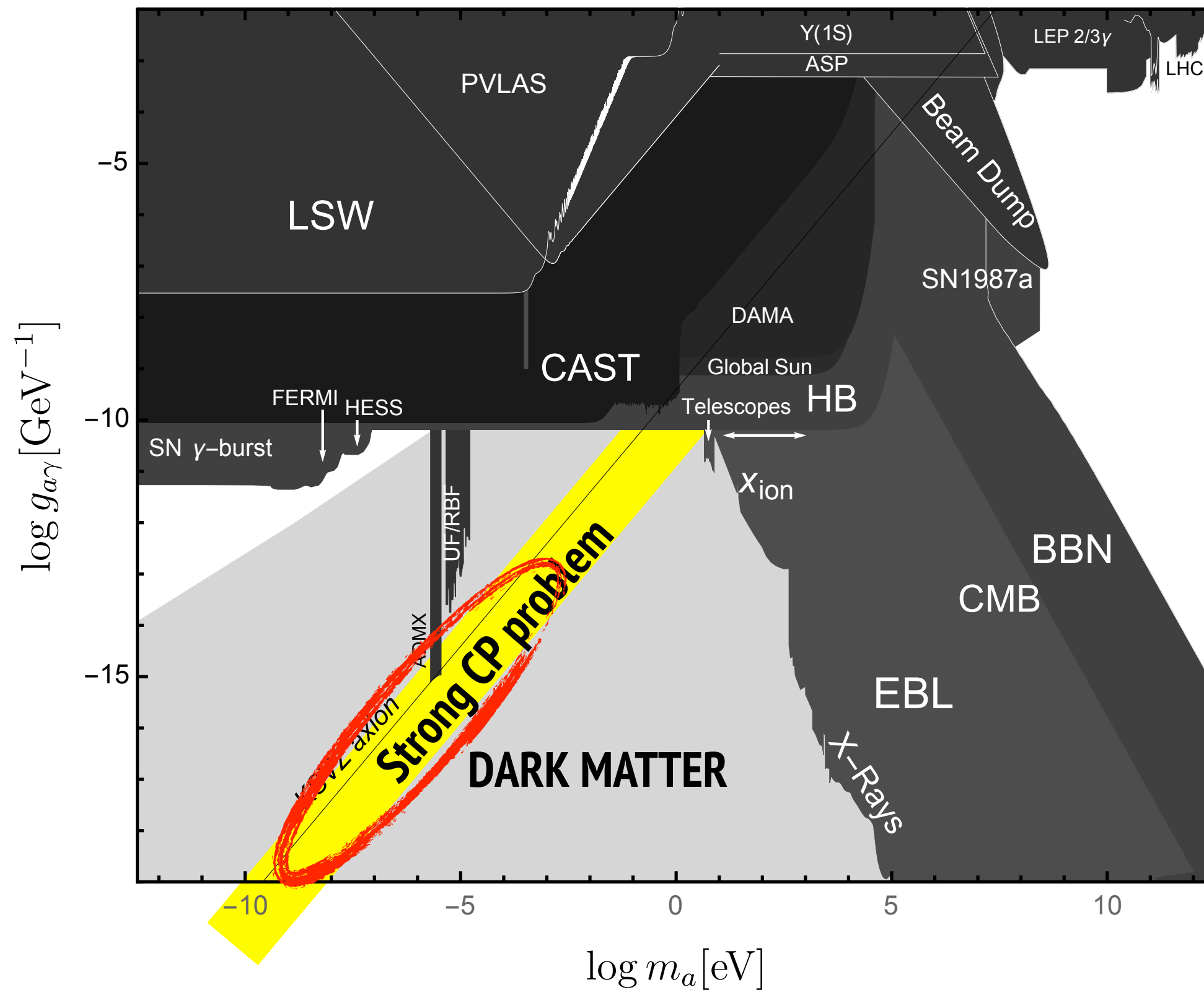


MADMAX: MAgnetised Disk and Mirror Axion eXperiment: MPP Munich, Hamburg Uni, DESY, Saclay, Zaragoza U

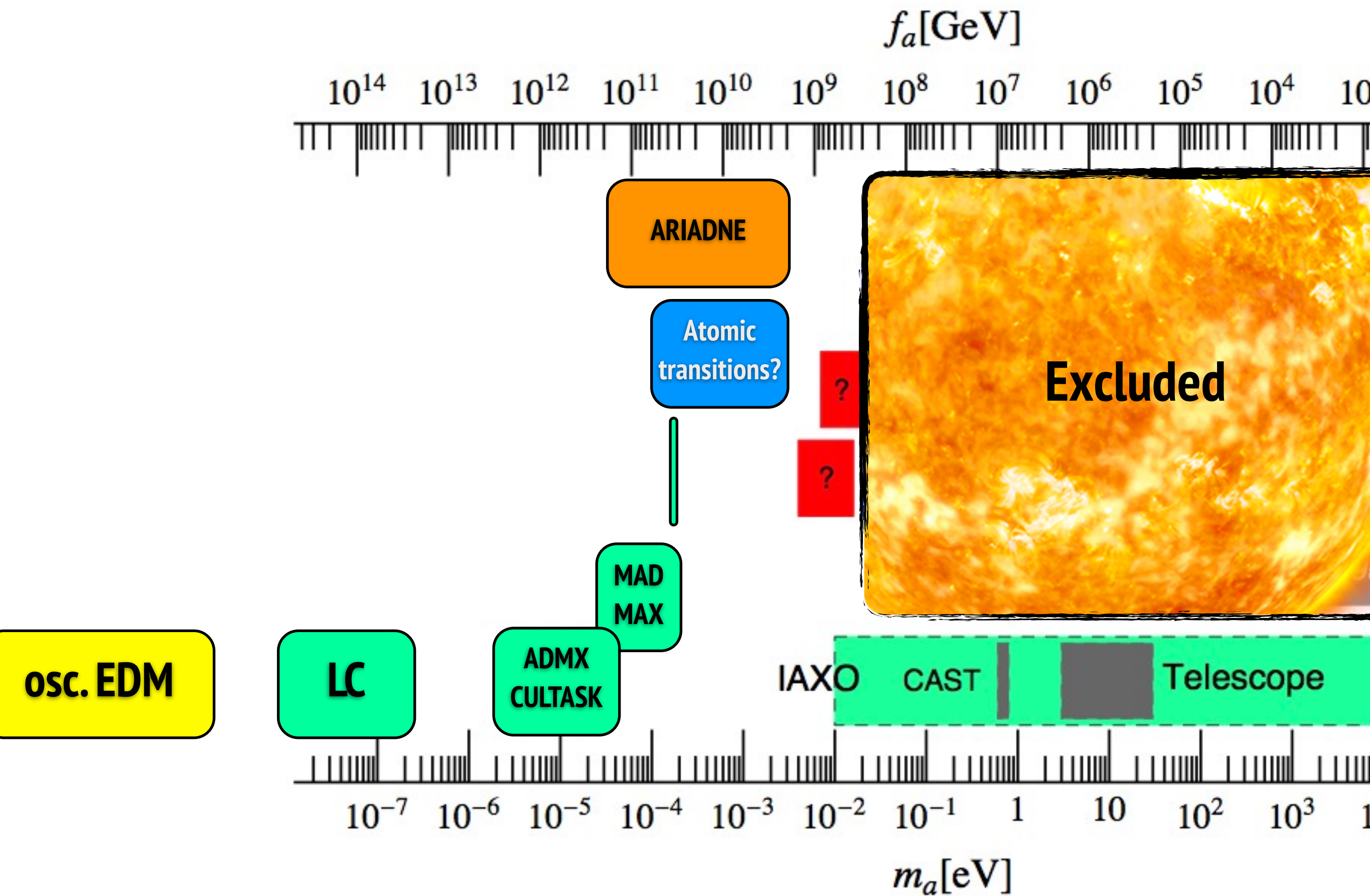
Projected sensitivities



Summary plot



Summary plot



Conclusions

- **Beyond the SM with extremely low energies**
- **Detect an ALP, new energy scale!**
- **Generic interactions**
- **hints: Strong CP problem, DM, Stellar evolution, Transparency of Gamma's**
- **Good Experimental ideas**
- **Still a lot of parameter space to explore!**