

学術変革領域A Transformative Research Area (A)

CosmoGenesis: 宇宙創生の物理法則は何か？

Kick-off Workshop

C02: Exploring the origin of the Universe w/ tabletop laser interferometers & gravitational-wave observatories

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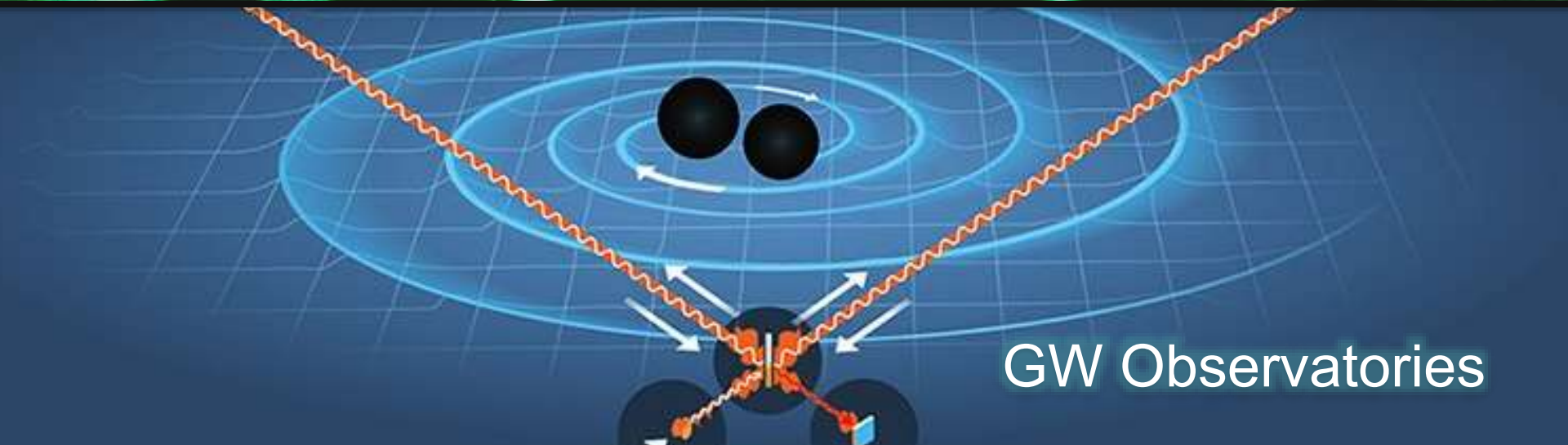
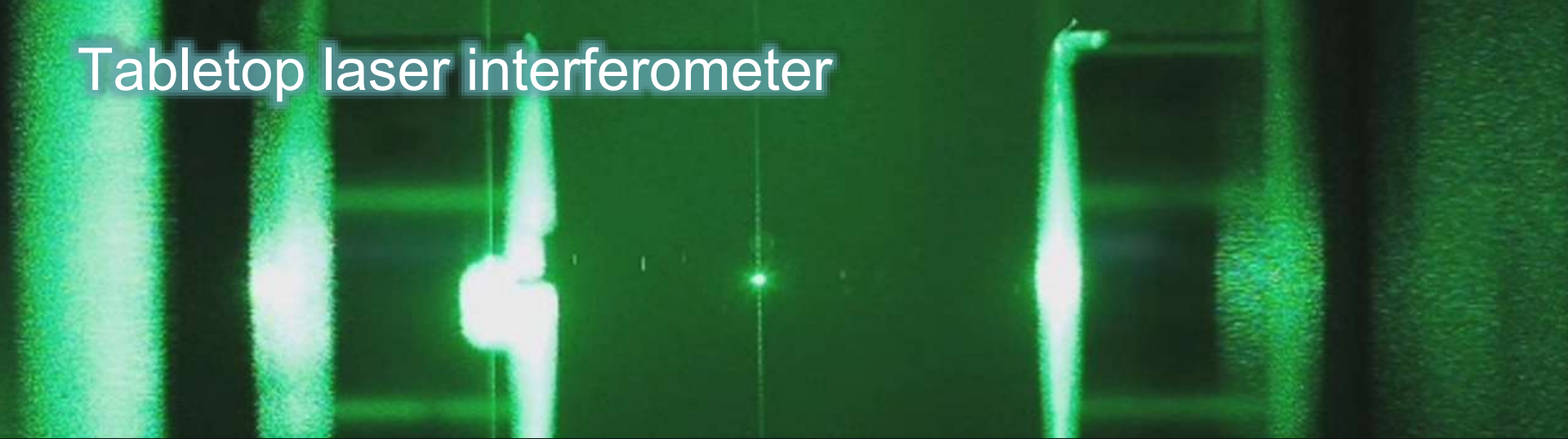
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Based on Obata, TF& Michimura PRL121, 161301 (2018)
Nagano, TF, Obata & Michimura PRL123, 111301 (2019)
Michimura, TF, Morisaki et al., PRD102, 102001 (2020)
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Tabletop laser interferometer



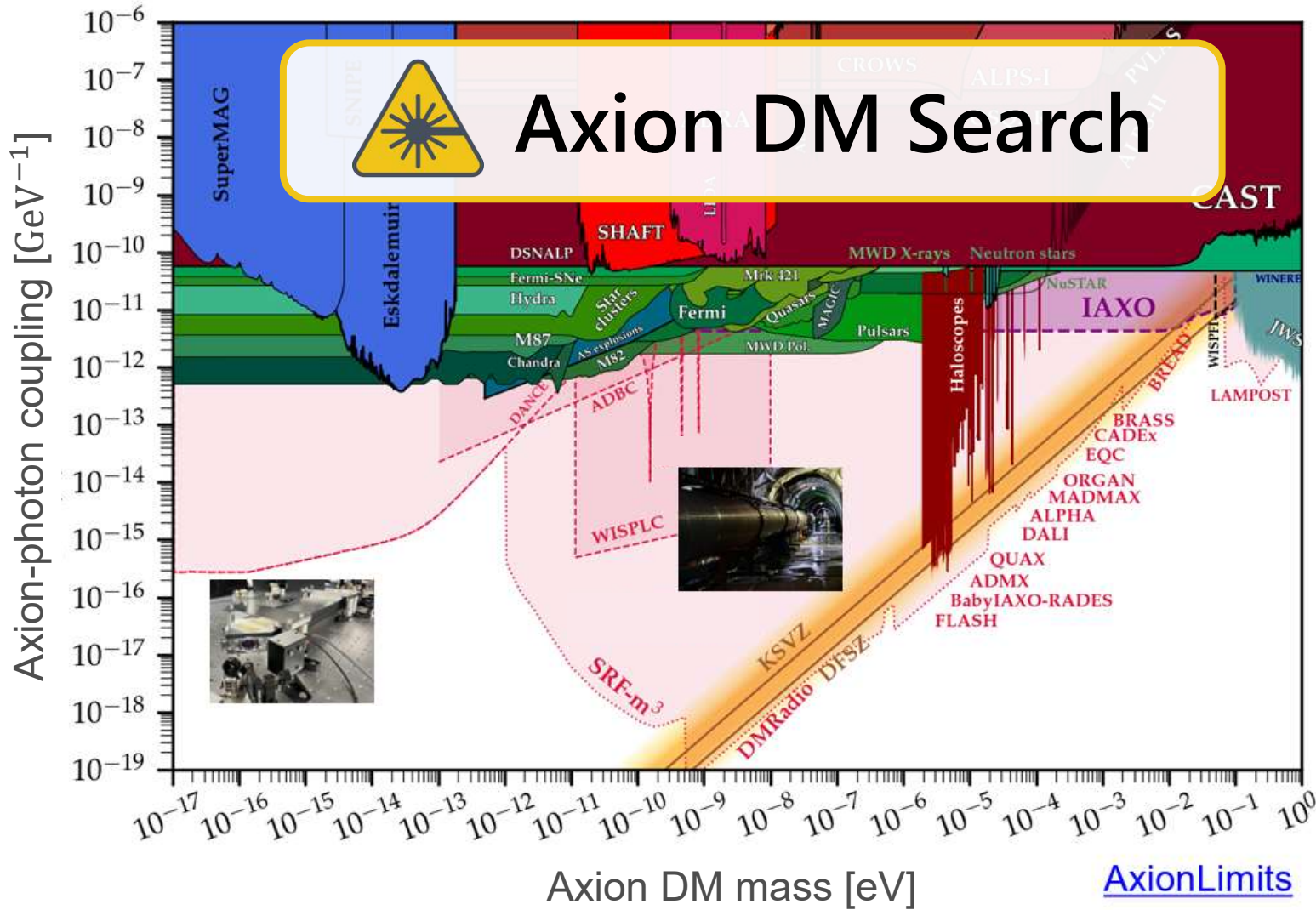
Tabletop laser interferometer



We hunt **Ultralight Dark Matter**
with **laser technologies**

GW Observatories

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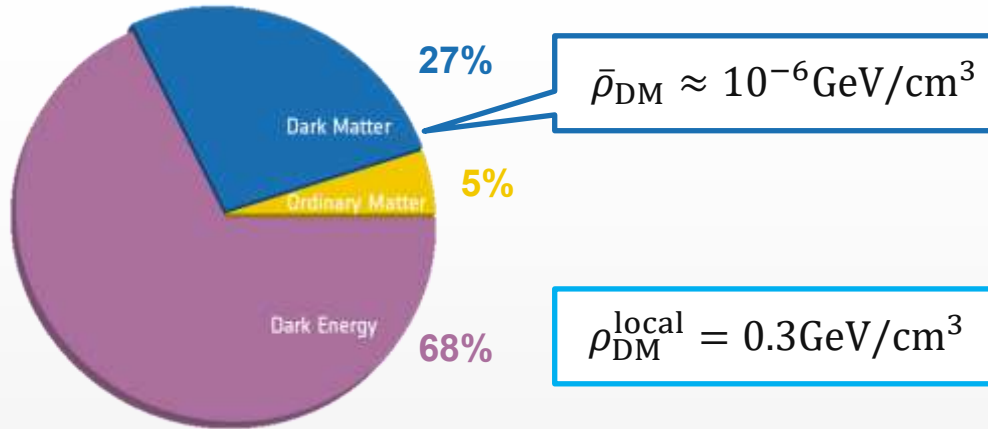
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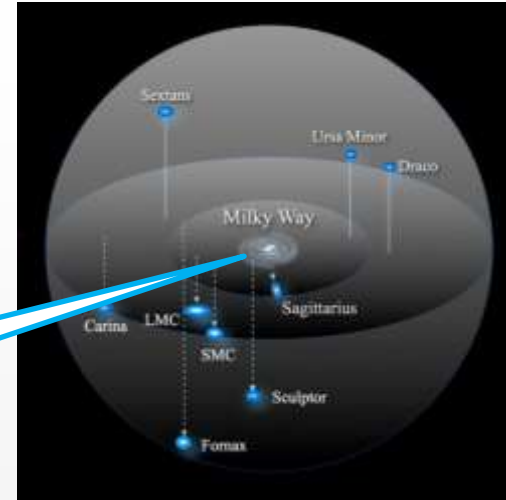
- 1 Introduction to DM search
- 2 Axion (coll. w/ C03)
- 3 Vector DM (coll. w/ A01,02)
- 4 Summary

Dark Matter

Cosmic pie chart



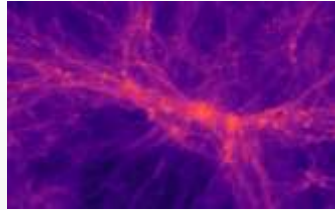
Local DM Halo



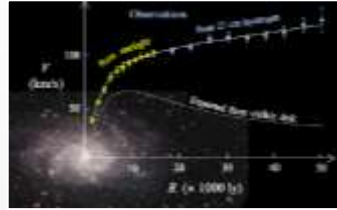
We live inside a high density DM halo!

DM Search I

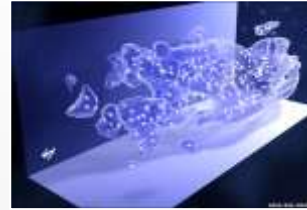
Existence of DM is confirmed
only through its **gravitational** interaction



Structure formation



Galaxy rotation curve



Gravitational lensing



Bullet cluster

➡ **DM is something gravitating**

DM Search II

Unsatisfied... ☹️



We want to identify DM!



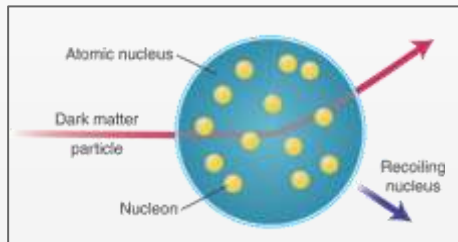
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Assume a DM model
with **additional interaction**

2

Search for
its signal

WIMP
case



WIMP scatters with nuclei

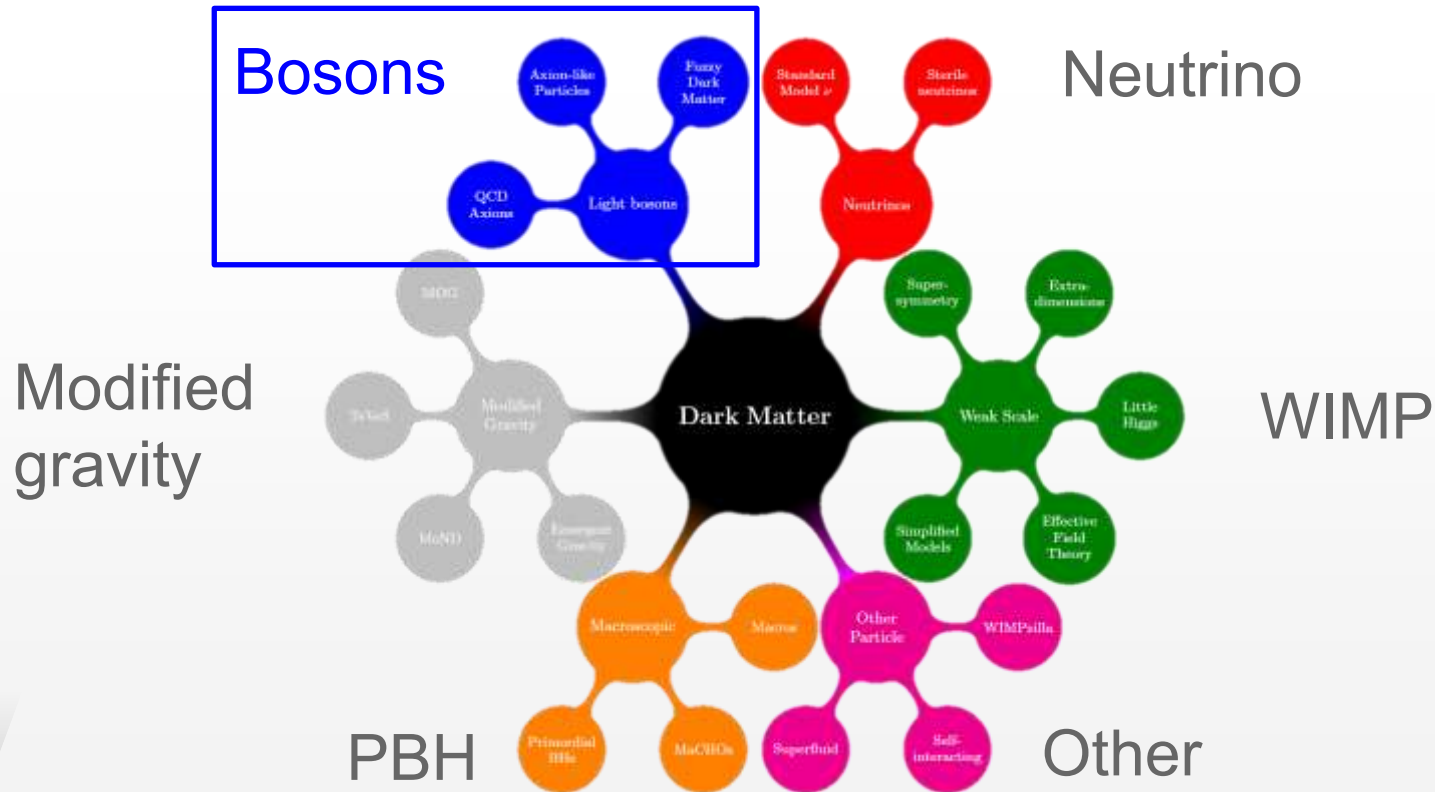


Underground experiment
(Xenon 1T)

DM Candidates

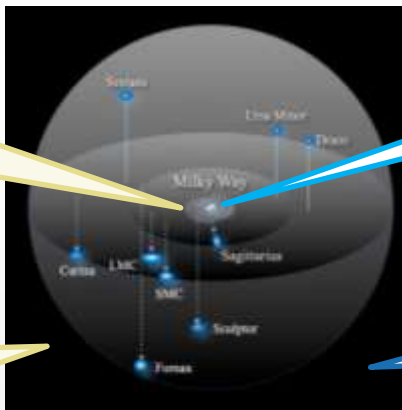
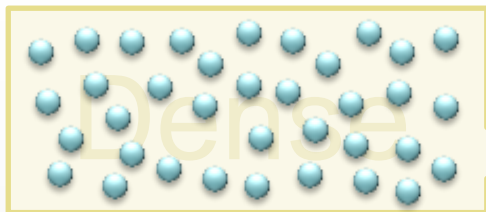


DM Candidates



DM density

WIMP

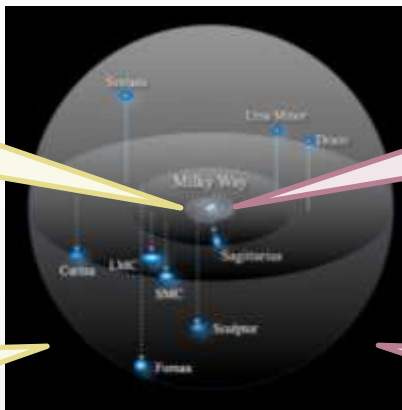
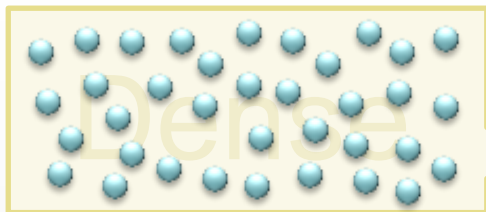


$$\rho_{\text{DM}}^{\text{local}} = 0.3 \text{ GeV/cm}^3$$

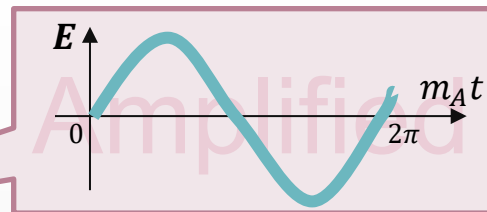
$$\bar{\rho}_{\text{DM}} \approx 10^{-6} \text{ GeV/cm}^3$$

DM density

WIMP



“Wave” DM



Wave-like DM is also a good candidate!



DM search

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Axion DM (a.k.a. ALP DM)

Ultralight wave-like DM oscillates: $\phi = \phi_0 \cos(m_\phi t)$

3 properties. ADM is

- 1 Scalar : no direction
- 2 Parity violating : Left & right become asymmetric
- 3 Coupled to photons : $\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = \frac{1}{4} g \phi F^{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu}$ (Chern-Simons coupling)

Photon in ADM

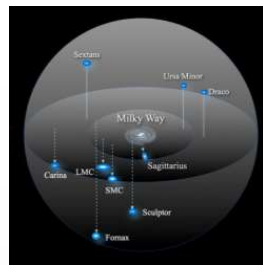
EoM for photon with ADM ϕ is

$$[\partial_t^2 - \nabla^2] \mathbf{A} = \underbrace{-g\dot{\phi} \nabla \times \mathbf{A}}_{\text{Additional Interaction}} \quad \longleftarrow \quad \phi = \phi_0 \cos(m_\phi t)$$

Dispersion relations of left/right polarization are modified as

$$\omega_{L,R}^2 = c^2 k^2 \left[1 \pm g\phi_0 \frac{m}{k} \sin(mt) \right] \quad (i\hat{\mathbf{k}} \times \mathbf{e}_{L,R} = \pm \mathbf{e}_{L,R})$$

Speed of light changes depending on circular polarization!



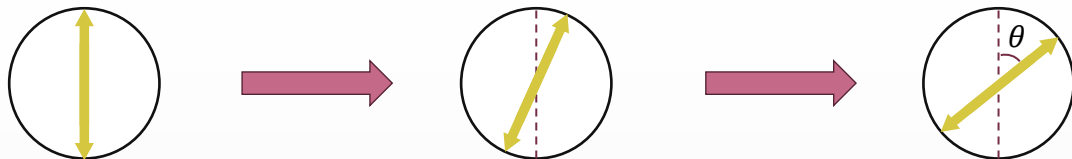
live in ADM



ADM = Birefringent media

Optical Rotation by ADM

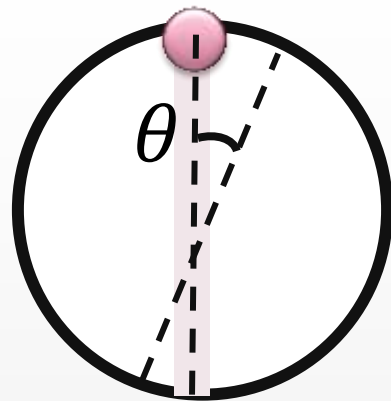
Linearly polarized photons traveling in ADM rotates its pol. plane



Rotation angle θ for light path L is

$$(\rho_{\text{DM}}^{\text{local}} = m_{\phi}^2 \phi_0^2 / 2 \approx 0.3 \text{ GeV/cm}^3)$$

$$\theta \simeq g \phi_0 \sin(mL/2) \xrightarrow{mL \ll 1} 10^{-14} \left(\frac{g}{10^{-12} \text{ GeV}^{-1}} \right) \left(\frac{L}{3 \text{ km}} \right)$$

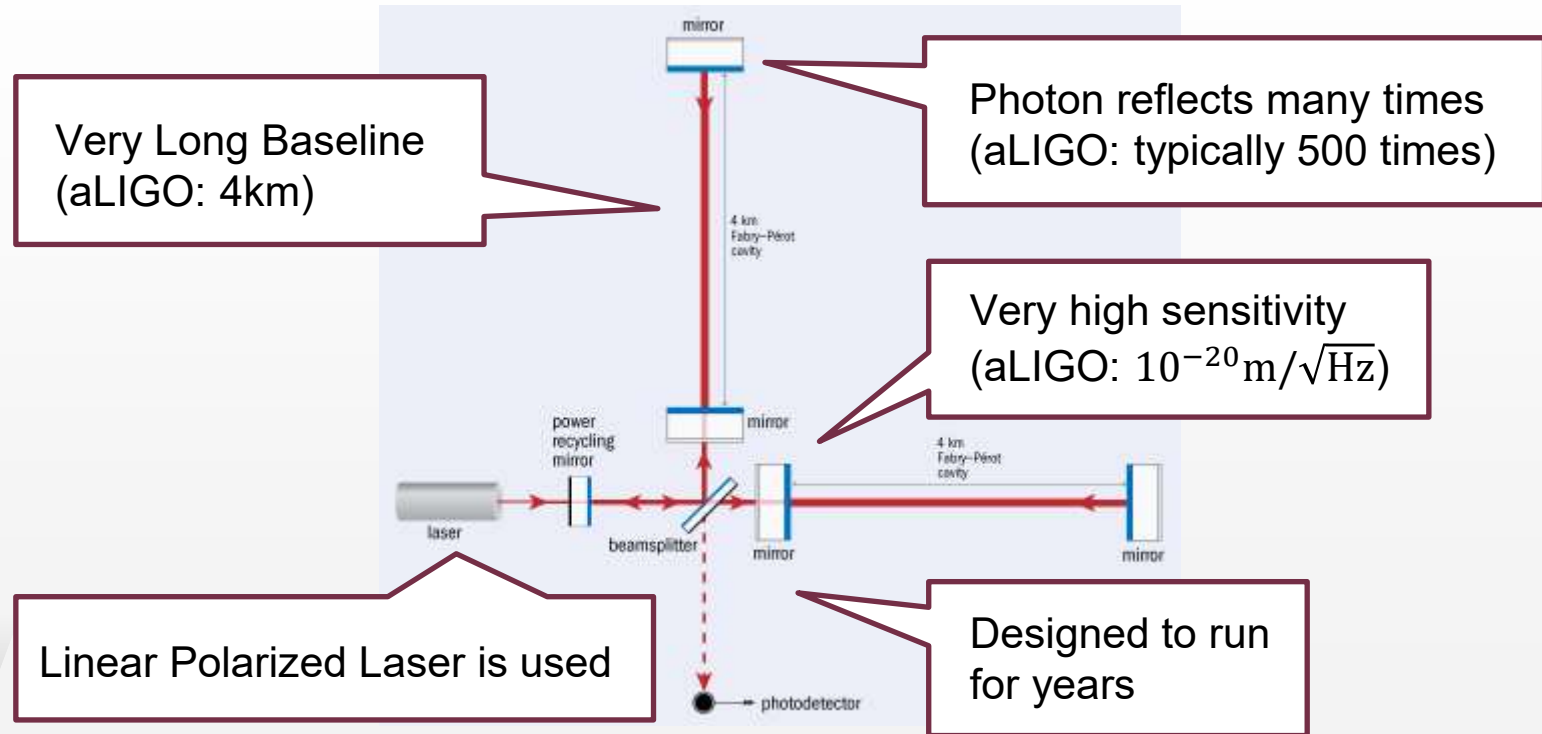


Signal is **small**! So we need

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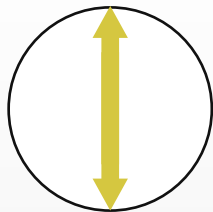
GW interferometer is ideal!!



Measure ADM signal

Nagano, TF, Obata & Michimura
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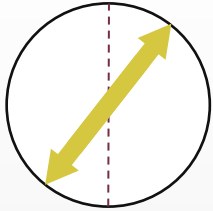


Originally
P-polarized

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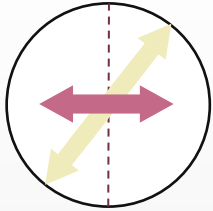


Optical
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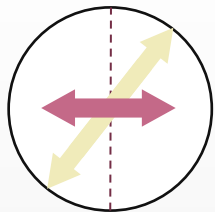


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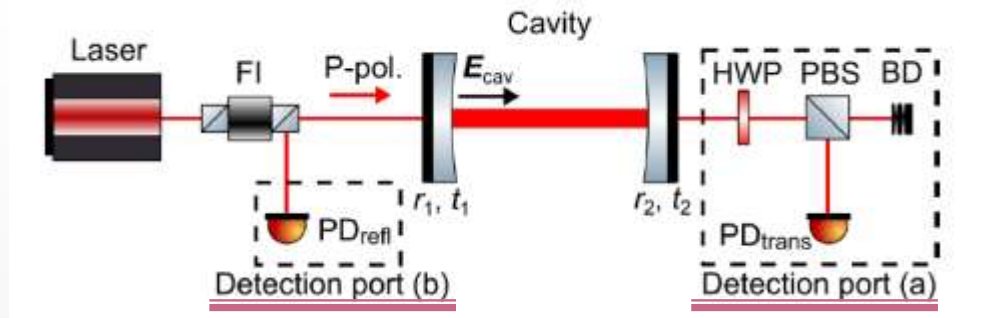
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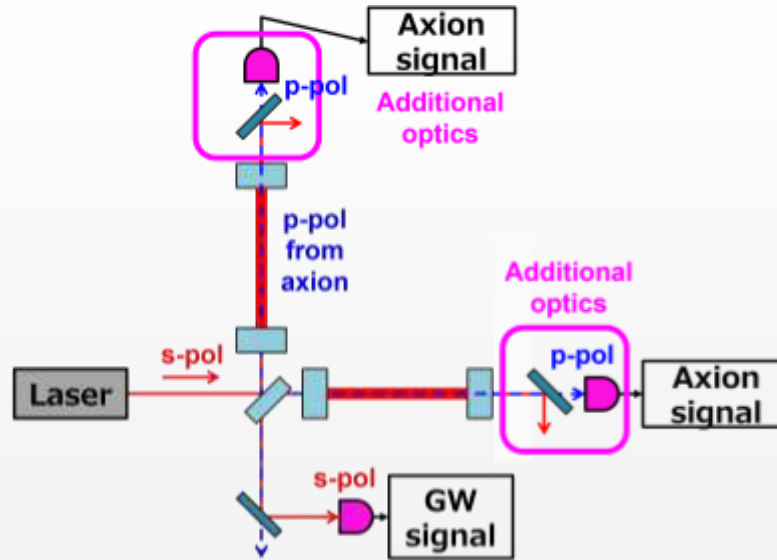


Adding a **photodetector** at port (a) or (b) makes KAGRA an ADM detector.

This ADM search is compatible with GW observation

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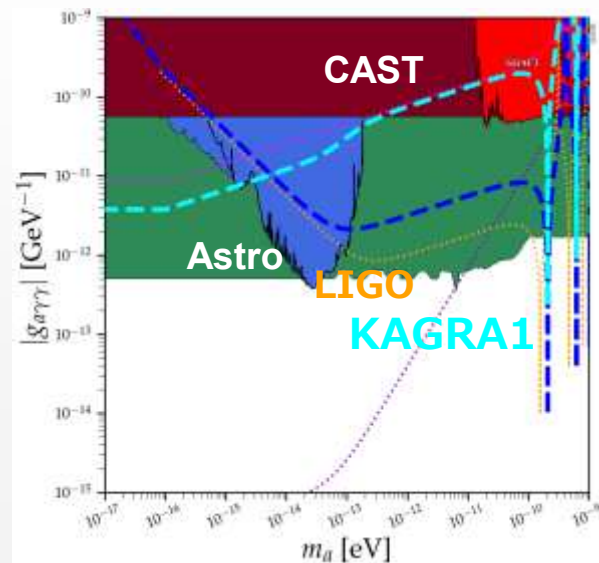


KAGRA in Kamioka, Gifu, Japan

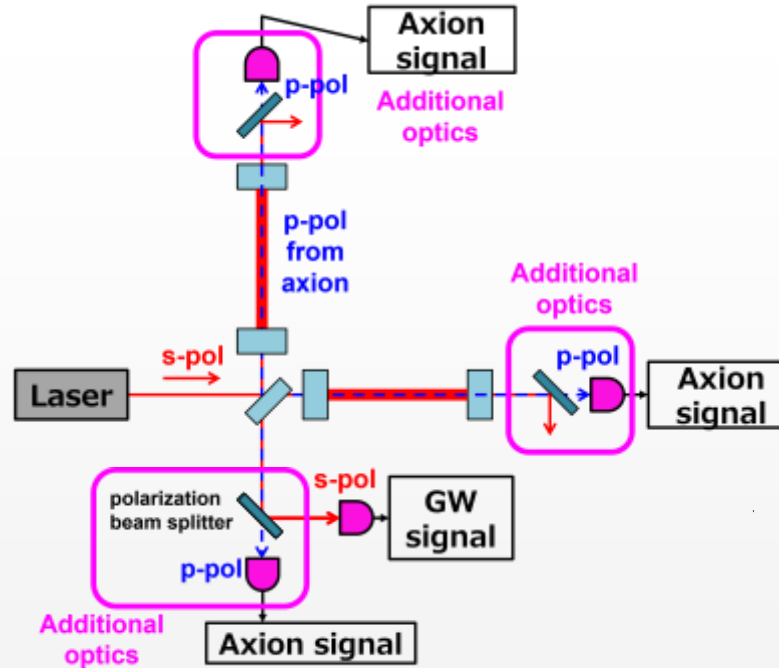
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Please check their posters for details!

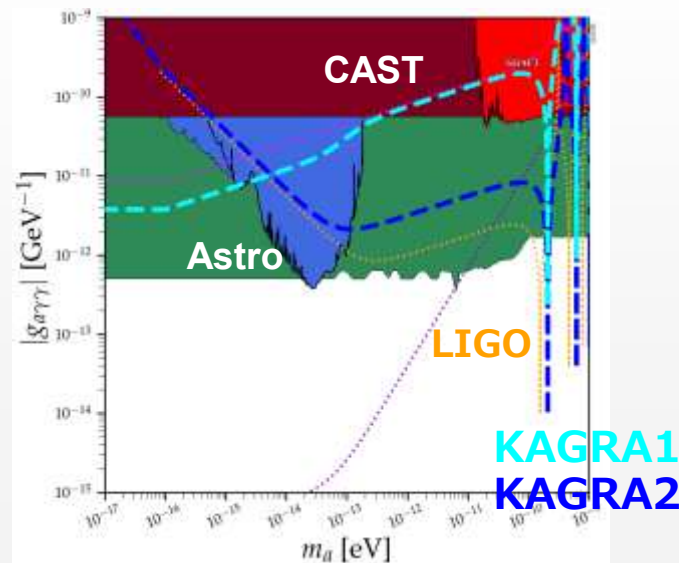


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- Plan to improve the optics this year before IR1
 - x8 more power JGW-G2617250

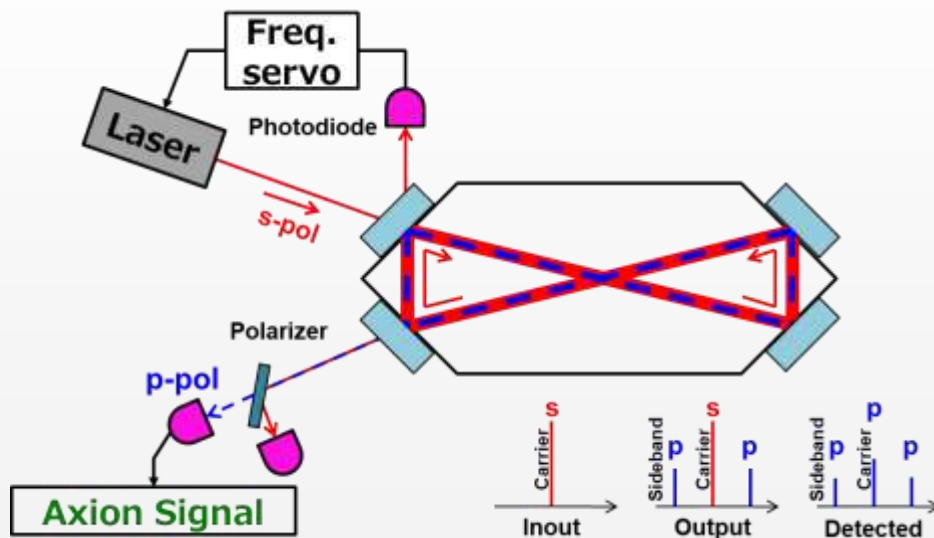


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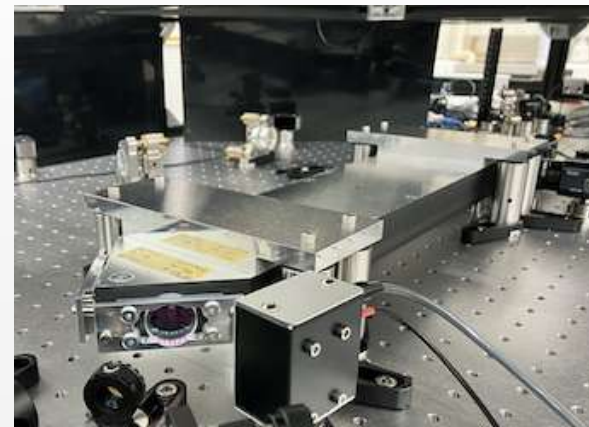
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DANCE

Dark matter Axion search
with riNg Cavity Experiment



Obata, TF& Michimura PRL121, 161301 (2018)



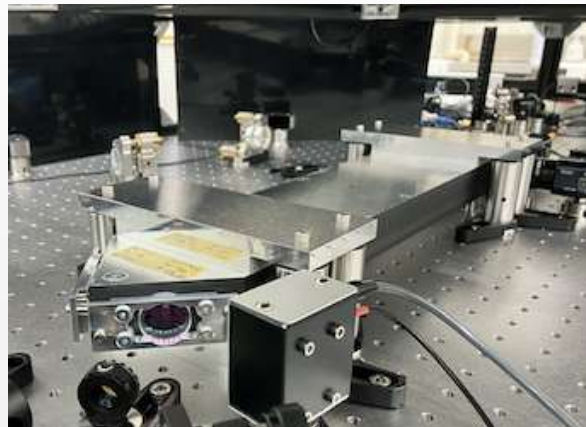
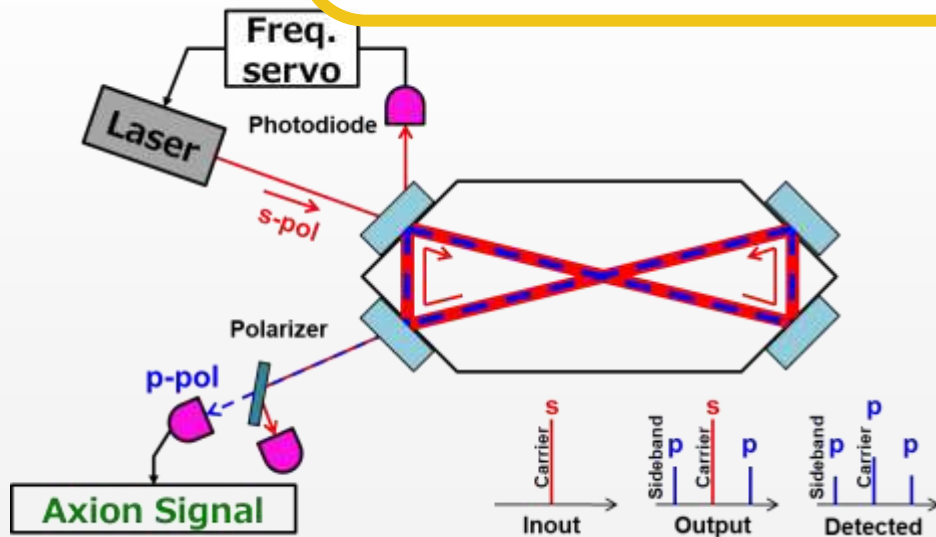
DANCE

Dark matter Axion search
with ring Cavity Experiment

**DANCE is running
right here on the B1 floor!**



Obata, TF& Michimura PRL121, 161301 (2018)



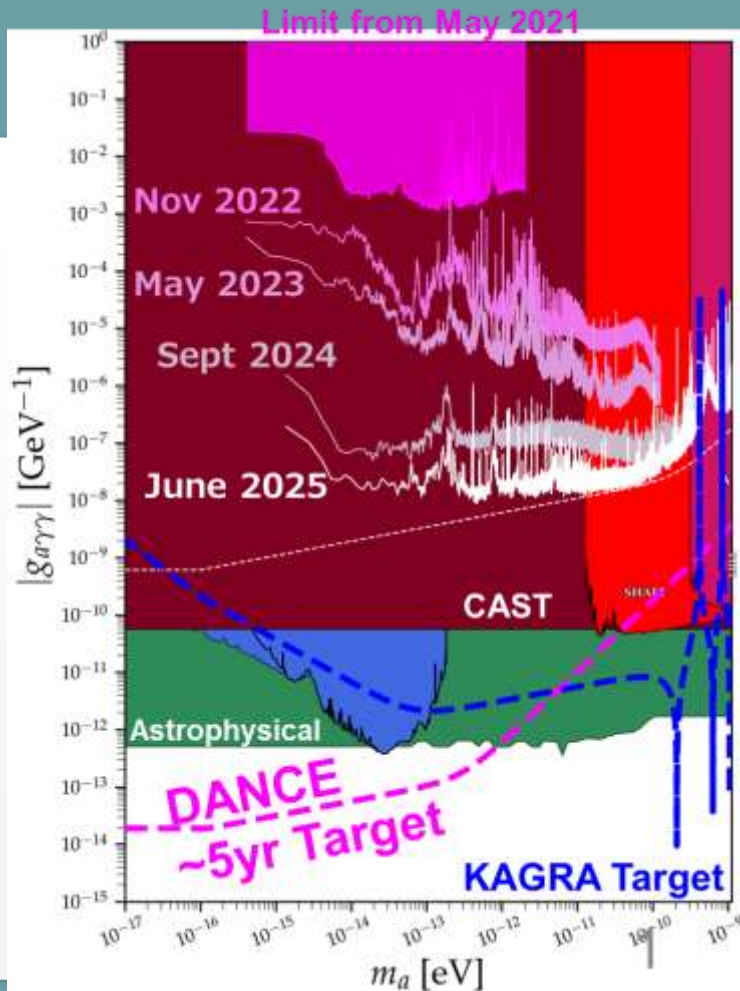
Status: DANCE

- Proposed in 2018
I. Obata, TF, Y. Michimura, PRL **121**, 161301 (2018)
- First demonstration in 2021
~5 orders of magnitude improvement since then
Y. Oshima+, PRD **108**, 072005 (2023)
- Upgrade with higher power (6 mW $\rightarrow$ 1 W) underway, lead by Takidera-kun
H. Takidera+, PRD **112**, 063048 (2025)
H. Fujimoto, PhD thesis (UTokyo 2025)

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Stay tuned for
Taki's talk next!



A photograph of a long, arched tunnel under construction. On the left, a large, dark, cylindrical machine, possibly a tunnel boring machine (TBM) cutterhead, is visible. The tunnel walls are lined with a dark, textured material, and the floor is a smooth, light-colored surface. A white rectangular box with a folded corner is overlaid in the center, containing the text "Collaboration with C03-group". The number "33" is written in a small, teal font in the bottom-left corner of the white box. The tunnel recedes into the distance, creating a strong sense of perspective.

Collaboration with C03-group

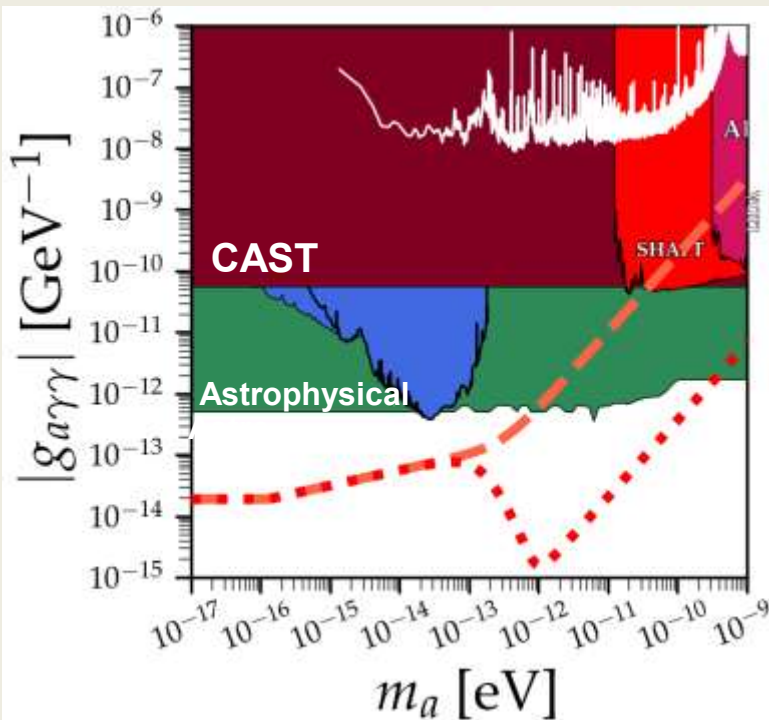
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DANCE and Photon Counting

- Sensitivity ultimately limited by quantum **shot noise**
- This can be avoided with **single photon detection**

H. Ysu+, [PRD 109, 095042 \(2024\)](#)

S. M. Vermeulen+, [PRX 15, 011034 \(2025\)](#)



Example sensitivity improvement

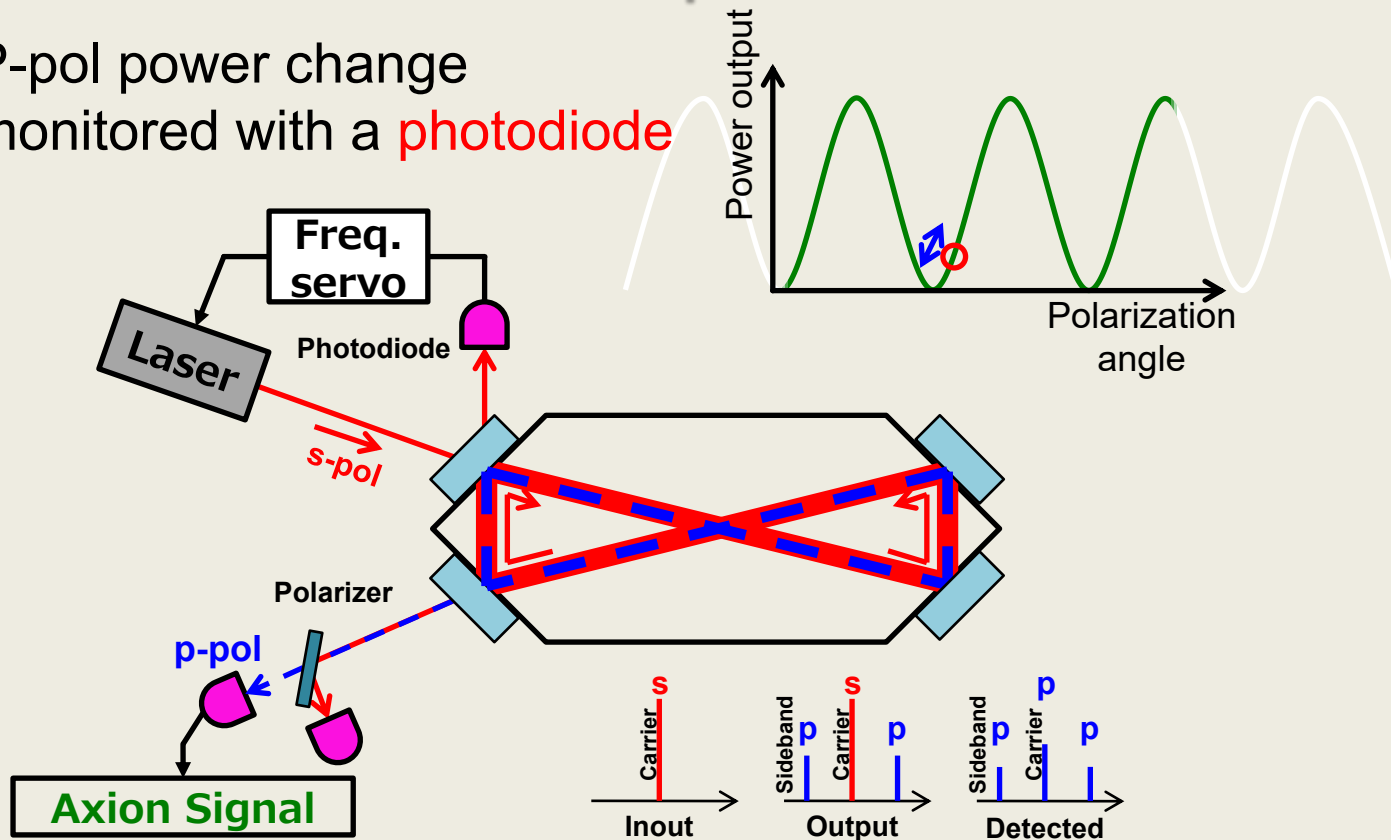
Dark count rate: 10^{-6} Hz

Bandwidth: 1 Hz

Caveat: Envelope of narrowband search is shown

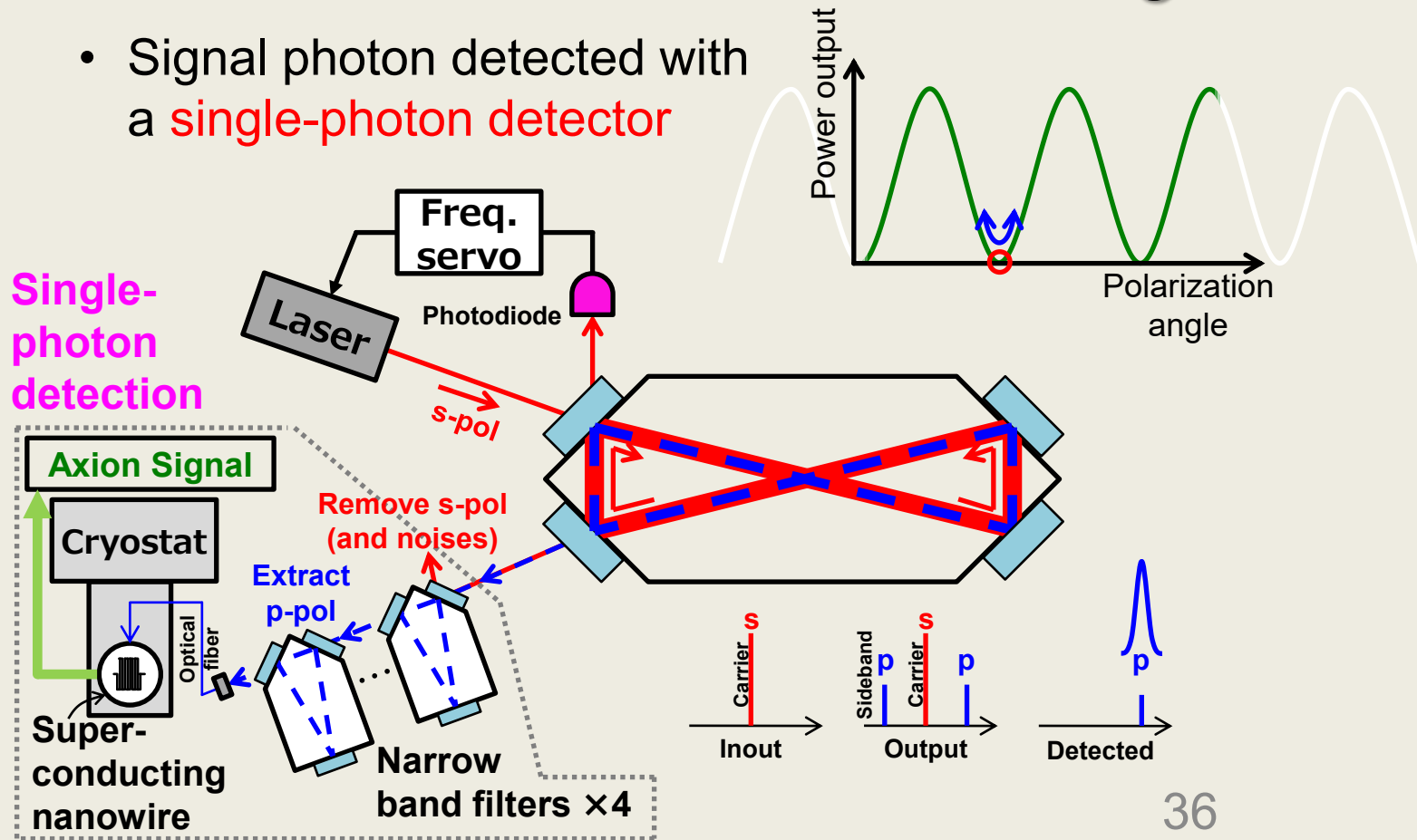
DANCE Setup Now

- P-pol power change monitored with a **photodiode**



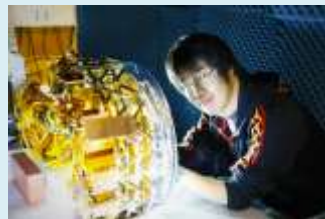
DANCE with Photon Counting

- Signal photon detected with a **single-photon detector**

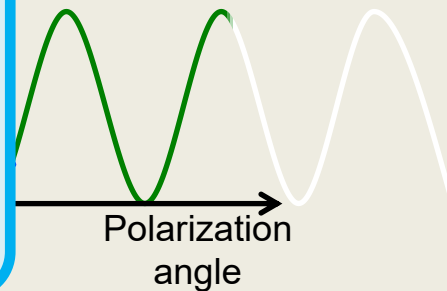


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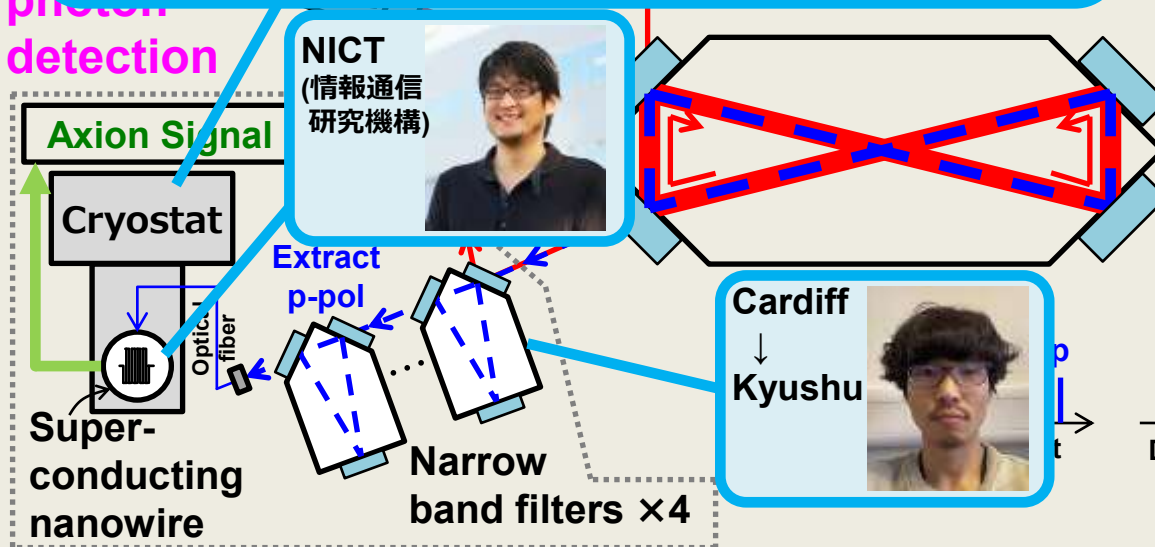
KEK ITDC (測定機開発センター 低温プラットフォーム)



C03班 ↔ C02班



Single-photon
detection



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Vector DM (a.k.a. Dark photon DM)

VDM = Electric wave with a mass

Theory : $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}m_A^2 A^\mu A_\mu - \epsilon_D e J_D^\mu A_\mu$

Electromagnetism
with a mass

Electric part : $\mathbf{E} = -\dot{\mathbf{A}} \sim \omega \mathbf{A}$, Magnetic part : $\mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A} \sim k \mathbf{A}$,

Dispersion relation : $\omega^2 = k^2 + m_A^2 \simeq m_A^2 \gg k^2$, ($k = m_A v$, $v_{\text{DM}}^{\text{local}} \approx 10^{-3}c$)



$$\mathbf{E} \simeq \mathbf{E}_0 \cos(m_A t) \gg \mathbf{B}$$

~~Electromagnetic~~ wave!

VDM Coupling

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Charge for VDM = B (baryon #) or B-L (baryon # - Lepton #)

[Note: B(proton)=B(neutron)=L(electron)=1, otherwise=0]

Coupling strength relative to electromagnetism : $\epsilon_B, \epsilon_{B-L} \lesssim 10^{-23}$



Need to be extremely sensitive!

VDM acts on Mirrors

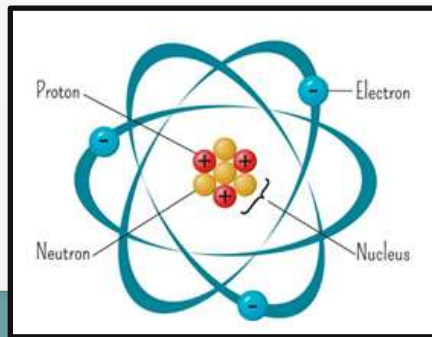
VDM ($\approx$ electric wave) pushes mirrors, just as $\vec{E}$ does electrons.



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$$\text{Mirror : } \delta \mathbf{x} = \frac{\epsilon_D e Q_D}{m_A M} \mathbf{A}_0 \sin[m_A t]$$



$$\mathbf{E} = -\dot{\mathbf{A}}$$
A diagram showing a horizontal grey bar representing a mirror. A vertical line extends downwards from the center of the bar to a pink vertical rectangle labeled 'mirror'. A blue arrow points to the left from the mirror, representing the force $\mathbf{E} = -\dot{\mathbf{A}}$.

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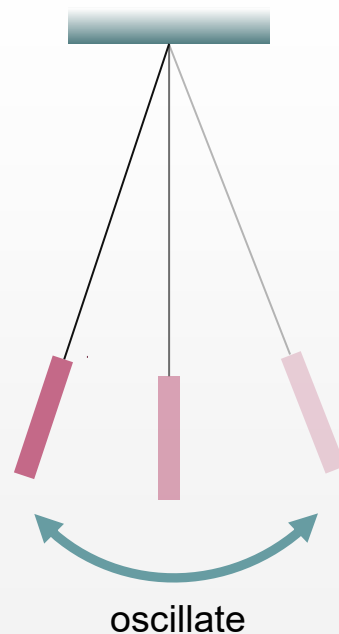


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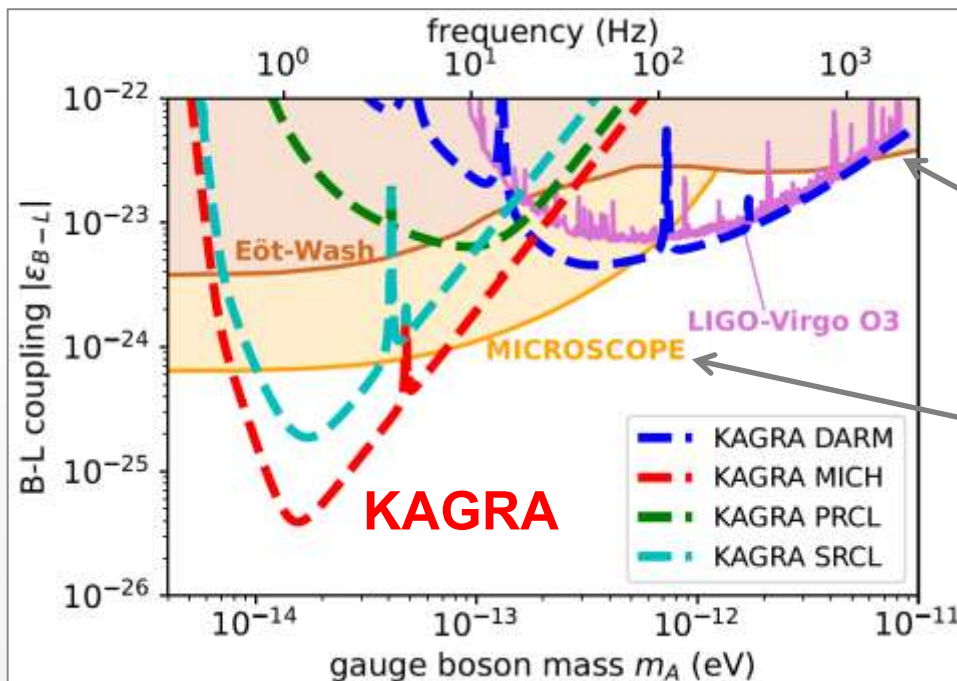
VDM oscillates mirrors



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KAGRA will be the best

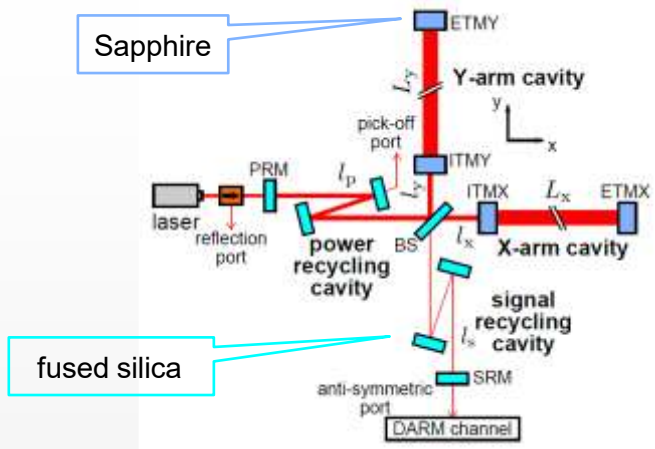


For B-L coupling, KAGRA goes **beyond** aLIGO

Auxiliary channels

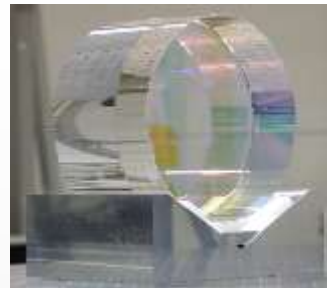
Michimura, TF, Morisaki,
Nakatsuka and Obata
PRD102, 102001(2020)

All mirrors in aLIGO are fused silica, but KAGRA uses **sapphire** mirrors.



KAGRA measures

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{DARM : } \delta(L_x - L_y) \\ \text{MICH : } \delta(l_x - l_y) \\ \text{SRCL : } \delta[(l_x + l_y)/2 + l_s] \end{array} \right.$$



MICH & SRCL observe distance btw mirrors made of **different material**

➡ **VDM acts differently**

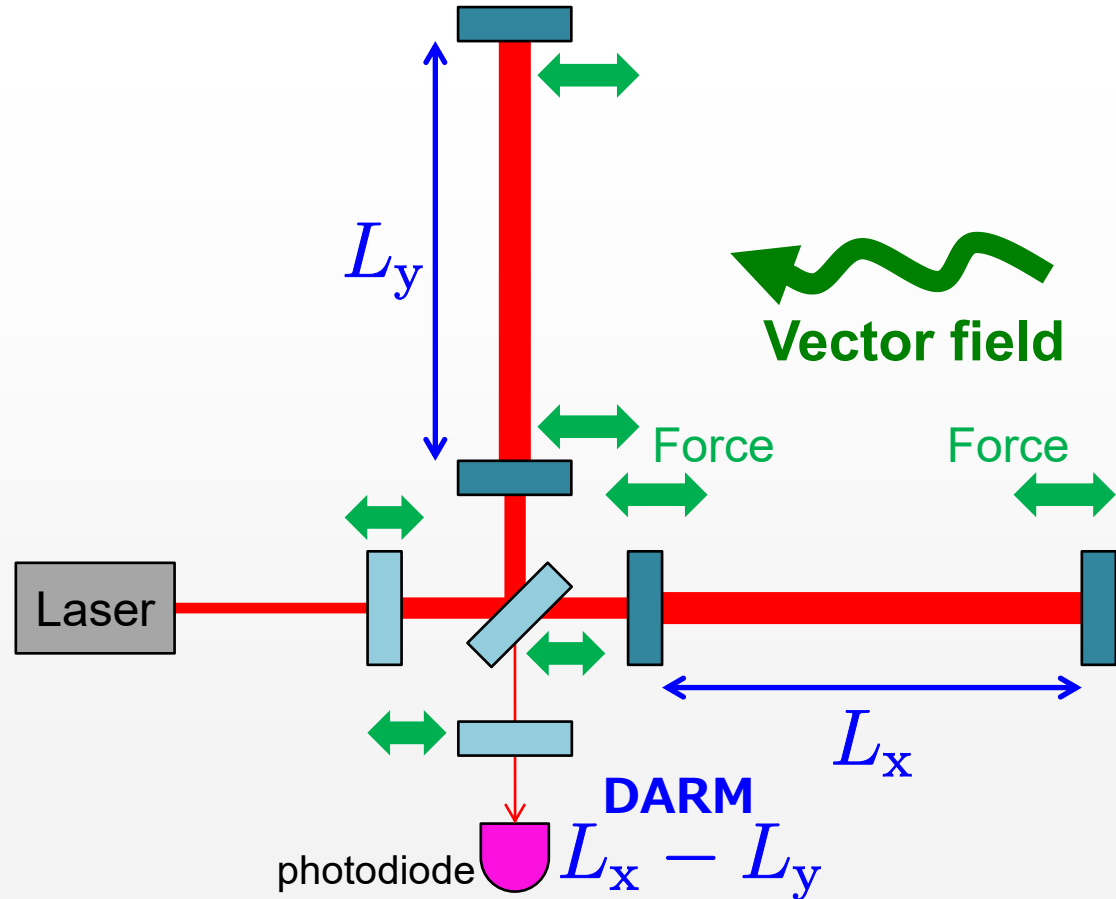
This effect can be seen
only in KAGRA
that uses different
mirror materials.

B-L charge

Fused silica: 0.5⁰¹

Sapphire: 0.5¹⁰

**VDM with B-L coupling
differentiates mirror motion
by 2%**

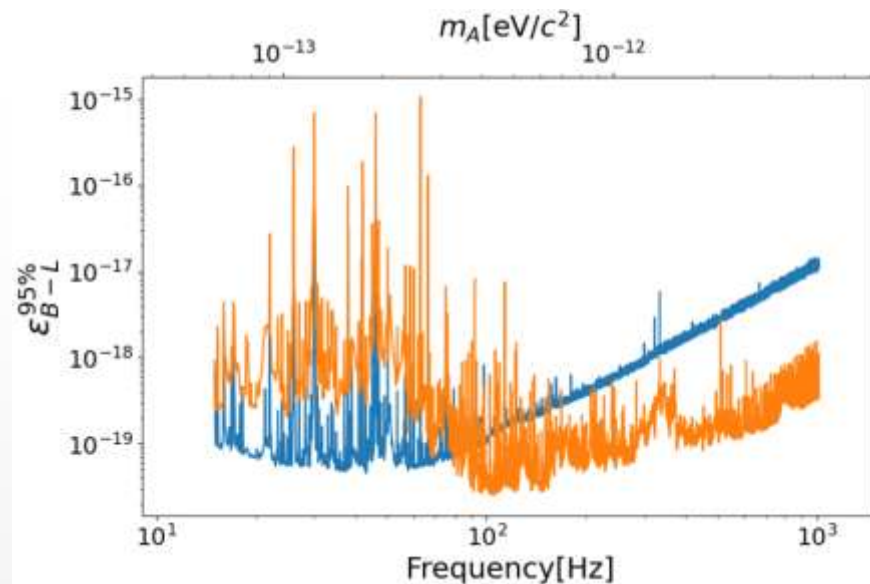


Status: KAGRA

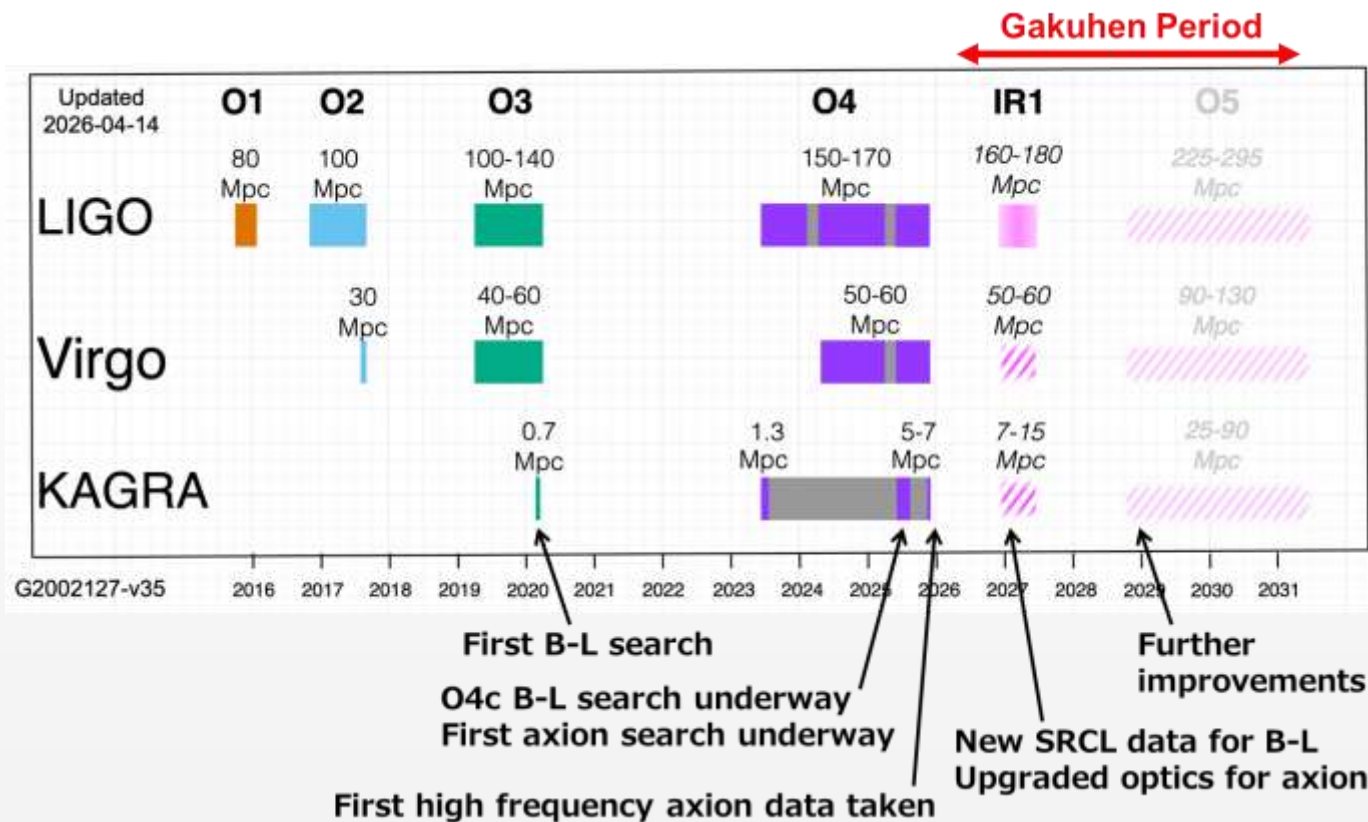
- **First Result!** Using data from KAGRA O3GK run in 2020

LIGO-Virgo-KAGRA, PRD **110**, 042001 (2024)
(Paper written by J. Kume with 1800 authors!)

- Still ~5 orders of magnitude worse than equivalence principle tests
- **O4c data analysis** ongoing
(LVK working group circulation of the paper started)
- New data from SRCL will be available from IR1
(KAGRA interferometer configuration will be new)



Plan: LVK observation

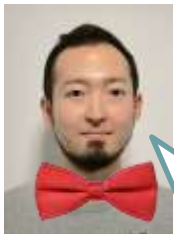


The background image shows a long, arched tunnel under construction. On the left, a large, dark, cylindrical metal structure, possibly a tunnel boring machine component, is visible. The tunnel walls are lined with concrete segments, and the floor is a smooth, light-colored surface. A white text box is overlaid in the center, containing the text "Collaboration with A-groups". The number "55" is written in blue at the bottom left of the text box.

Collaboration with A-groups

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Other targets?

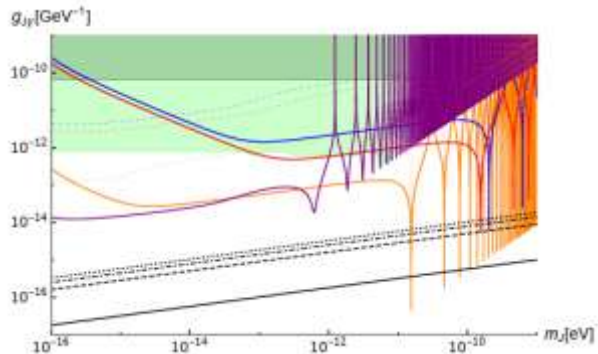


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Majoron DM with QED anomaly

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{1}{4} g_{J\gamma} J F \tilde{F}$$

can also be searched by GWD!



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Probing Majoron Dark Matter with Gravitational Wave Detectors

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ABSTRACT

The Majoron is a hypothetical (pseudo) Nambu-Goldstone boson arising from the spontaneous breaking of a global lepton number symmetry, and is known as a candidate for dark matter in our Universe. In this paper, we investigate the possibility of probing the Majoron dark matter with a linear optical cavity used in the interferometric gravitational wave detectors. We consider a scenario in which the Majoron dark matter couples to photons through a QED anomaly, leading to an oscillatory photon birefringence induced by the coherent dark matter background. The anomaly coefficient is fixed by requiring the model to simultaneously reproduce the electroweak Higgs scale and a typical right-handed Majorana neutrino mass scale, and the resulting dark matter-photon coupling naturally falls within the sensitivity range of optical interferometers. By incorporating additional optics to extract the birefringence signal, we find that ground-based laser interferometers such as Advanced LIGO, KAGRA, as well as future detectors, can probe a region of the parameter space of Majoron dark matter.

DM search

	Axion	Vector	WIMP
Image	Birefringent media	Electric wave with a mass	Massive Particle
Interaction	Photon	B or B-L	Nuclei
Search	DANCE (Table-top) KAGRA+PD	KAGRA Aux. Small Table-top	Particle collider Undergrond exp.



We are Hiring!

- **One postdoc** will come to U. Tokyo this winter
- Will work on DANCE&KAGRA and data analysis
- We want one more Assistant prof. or postdoc next year !



Thank You!

A photograph of a long, dimly lit tunnel, likely a particle accelerator. On the left side, a large, dark, cylindrical object, possibly a superconducting magnet, is visible. The tunnel's interior is lined with a series of repeating, curved, metallic structures that create a strong sense of perspective. A white rectangular text box is overlaid in the center of the image. The text inside the box reads "Search for (low-energy) Quantum Gravity". The number "60" is written in a small, teal font at the bottom left corner of the white box.

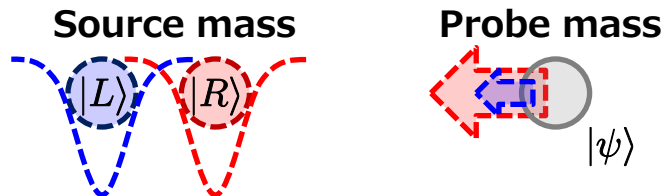
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Key Idea of BMV Proposals

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$$\Phi(\hat{x}, \hat{X}) = -\frac{GM}{|\hat{x} - \hat{X}|}$$



Newtonian potential
act as an **operator**

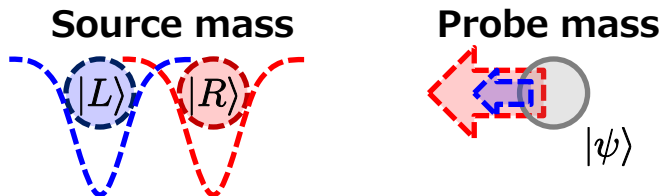
$$\begin{aligned} & e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} m \Phi(\hat{X}) t} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|L\rangle + |R\rangle) \otimes |\psi\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|L\rangle \otimes e^{i\phi_L} |\psi\rangle + |R\rangle \otimes e^{i\phi_R} |\psi\rangle) \end{aligned}$$

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- If gravity is classical

$$\Phi(\hat{x}) = -\left\langle \frac{GM}{|\hat{x} - \hat{X}|} \right\rangle$$



Newtonian potential
act as a **c-number**

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Remains separable

What is the Best Oscillator?

- We computed the amount of entanglement for **arbitrary quadratic potential**

- Hamiltonian

$$H = \sum_{i=1,2} \left(\frac{p_i^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} k_i x_i^2 \right) + \frac{Gm^2}{d^3} (x_1 - x_2)^2$$

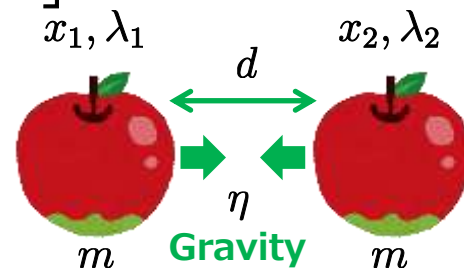
$$= \frac{\omega}{2} \left[\sum_{i=1,2} (P_i^2 + \lambda_i X_i^2) + \eta (X_1 - X_2)^2 \right]$$

Sign of potential
+1 for harmonic
0 for free-falling
-1 for inverted

Strength of gravitational
coupling

$$\eta = \frac{2Gm}{\omega^2 d^3}$$

Distance between
masses



Inverted Oscillators are the Best

- Logarithmic negativity when $\lambda \equiv \lambda_1 = \lambda_2$

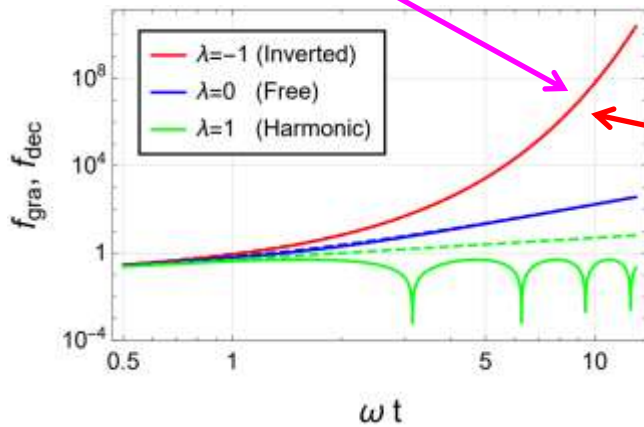
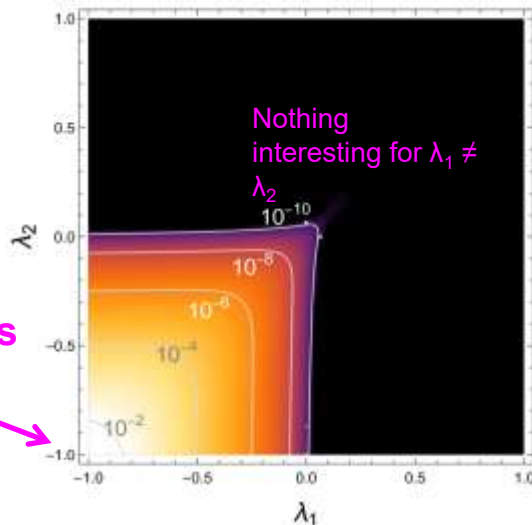
$$E_N \simeq 3[\eta f_{\text{gra}}(t) - \mu f_{\text{dec}}(t)]$$

Strength of gravitational coupling

Amount of decoherence

Exponential growth of entanglement

Inverted oscillators are the best



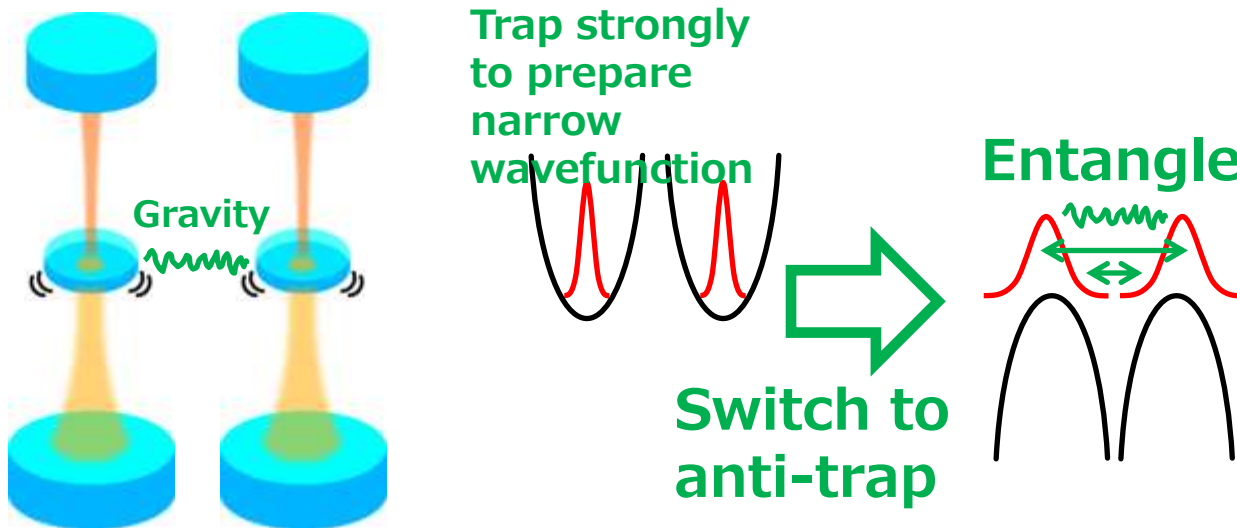
$$f_{\text{gra}}(t) \simeq f_{\text{dec}}(t) \simeq \frac{1}{8}e^{2\omega t}$$

$$f_{\text{gra}}(t) \simeq f_{\text{dec}}(t) \simeq \frac{1}{8}(\omega t)^3$$

$$f_{\text{gra}}(t) \simeq \frac{1}{2}|\sin(\omega t)|, f_{\text{dec}}(t) \simeq \frac{1}{2}\omega t$$

Realization with Levitated Mirrors

- Switching between trap and anti-trap is easy with **optically levitated mirrors**
- Entanglement can be tested in horizontal motion
- Can be done similar with other systems



Example Setup

- To prepare 1 kHz anti-spring for 0.1 mg mirror

$$\mu \ll \eta = 2.7 \times 10^{-13} \omega_{\text{kHz}} \left(\frac{m/d^3}{2 \text{ g/cm}^3} \right)$$

- Requires $T < \sim 1 \text{ K}$ and $P < \sim 10^{-17} \text{ Pa}$ (as usual)
- $\sim 1 \text{ kHz}$ anti-spring can be created with intra-cavity power of $\sim 30 \text{ kW}$
- Time to generate $E_N = 10^{-2}$

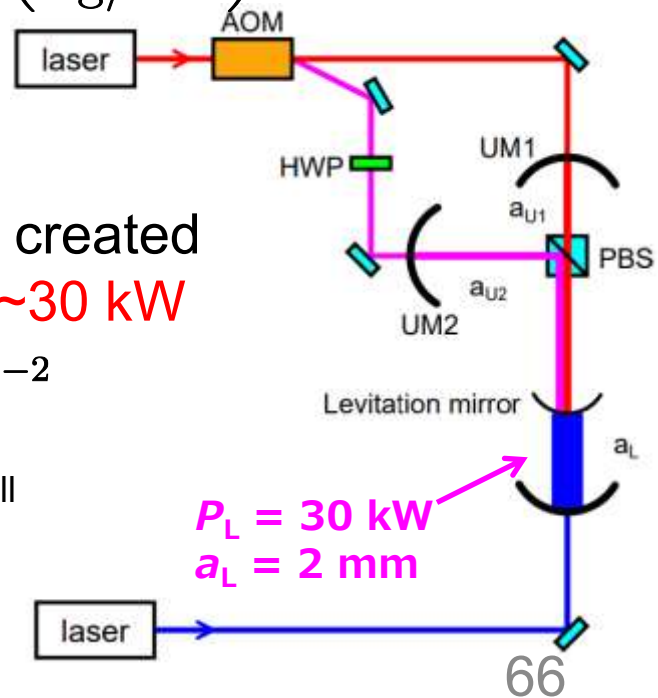
$$\tau_{\text{ent}} = 4.2 \omega_{\text{kHz}}^{-1/3} \text{ sec} \quad \text{for free-fall}$$



300 times faster

$$\tau_{\text{ent}} = 1.3 \times 10^{-2} \omega_{\text{kHz}}^{-1/3} \text{ sec}$$

for



Fabricating Mirrors for Levitation

- To support the mass:

$$mg = \frac{2P_{\text{circ}}}{c}$$

Roughly 1.5 kW of power is required to levitate 1 mg mirror

- Mirror needs to be **curved**, **high reflectivity** and **low absorption**. Our target now is:

φ 3 mm, 0.1 mm thick (~1.6 mg for fused silica)

Curvature RoC = **~30 mm convex**

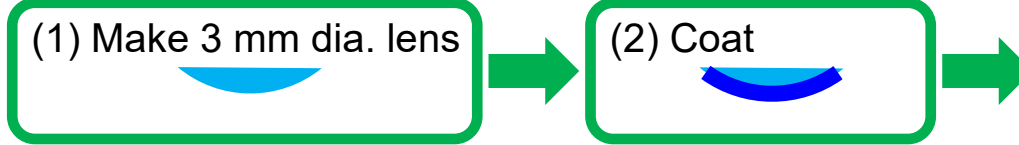
Reflectivity $R > 99.95 \%$

Absorption $A < \sim 0.5 \text{ ppm}$ (LIGO, Virgo, KAGRA level)

- Experiment in ANU suggest higher absorption makes the system unstable (**photothermal effects**)

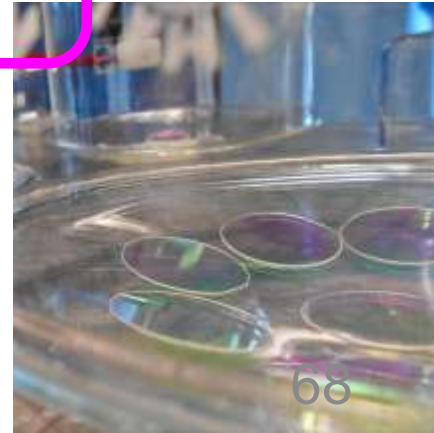
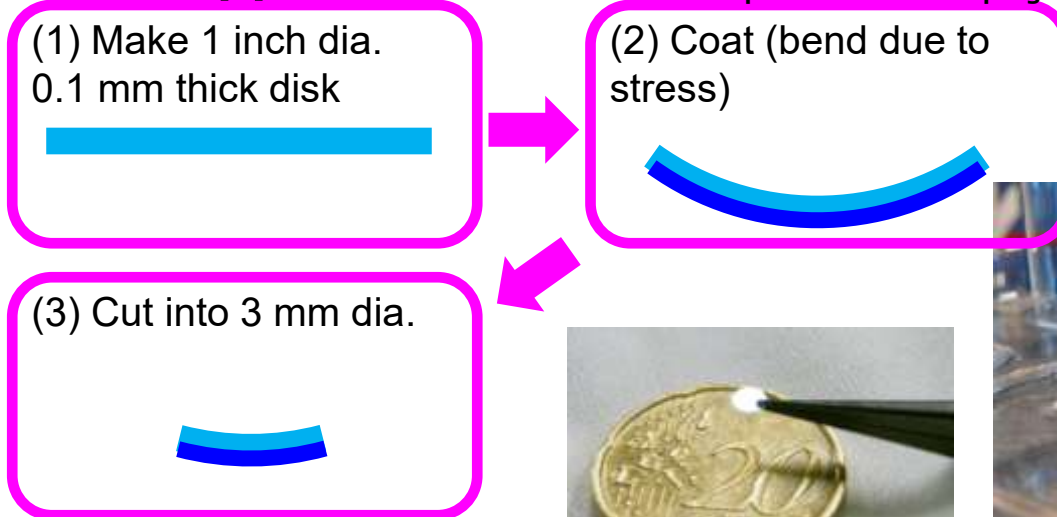
How to Make Tiny Mirrors

2014 Approach (Company in Japan)



2020- Approach

(2018-2024 ANR-JST CREST,
2025-2027 France- Japan JSPS Bilateral program)



Fabrication Status in LMA

- HR coating with amplitude transmittance
T=10 ppm (6.2 μm thick)
- Cut into $\phi 3\text{ mm}$ is tough
- Curvature was not enough O(10 cm)
- Now trying thinner substrate (25 μm) with laser cutting

1/4 thick, 1/16 curvature

