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Feebly Interacting (Non)Particle

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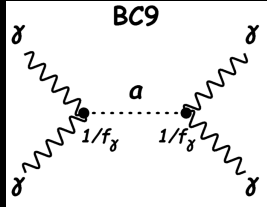
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# Example: Axion-like particles (ALPs)

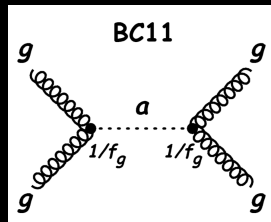
- Photon coupling



$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{1}{4} g_{a\gamma\gamma} \phi F^\mu \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu}$$

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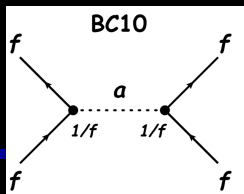
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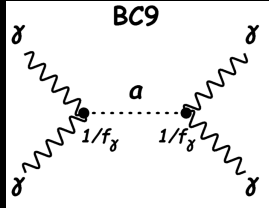
- Fermion couplings



$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{\partial_\mu \phi}{f_a} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \psi$$

# Reminder: weak ALP couplings test large scale

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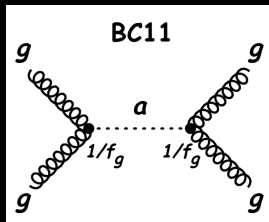
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Large scale  $f_a$



Weak coupling

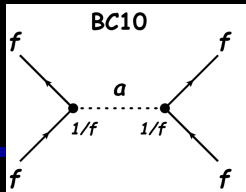
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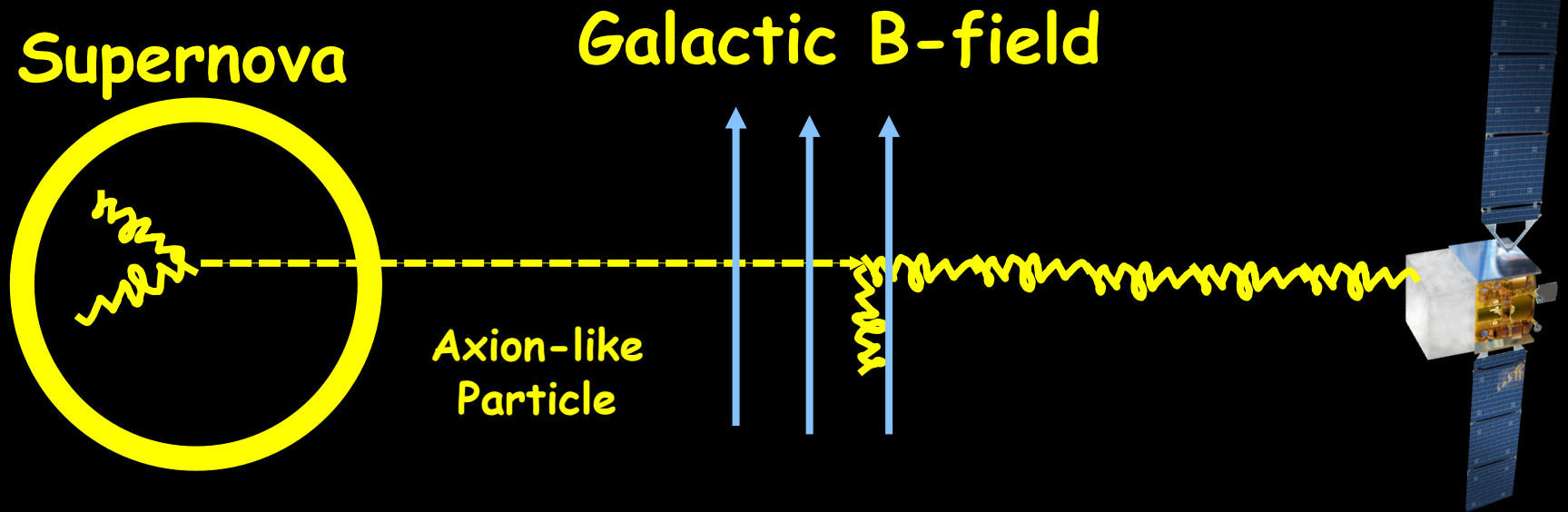
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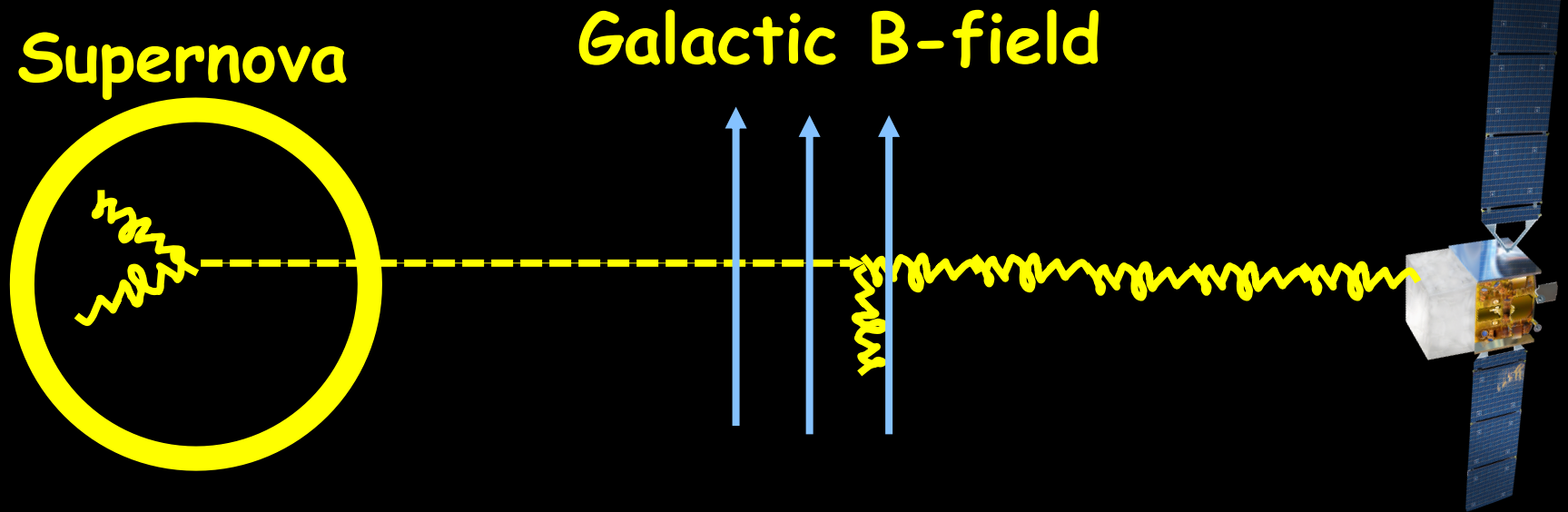
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# Supernova are a "hot" laboratory



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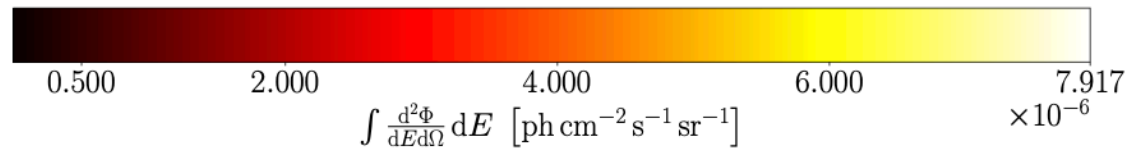
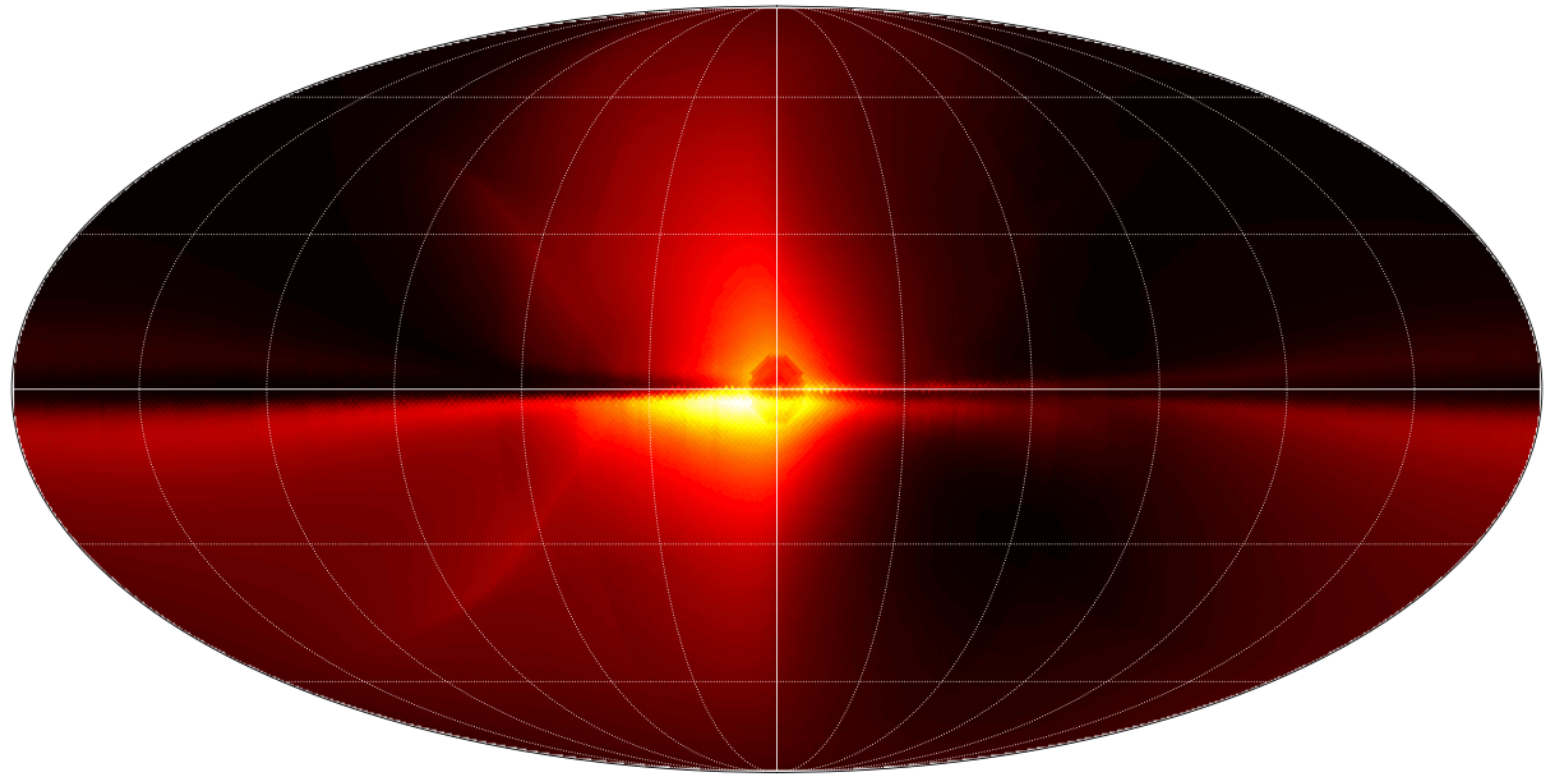


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## What's new?

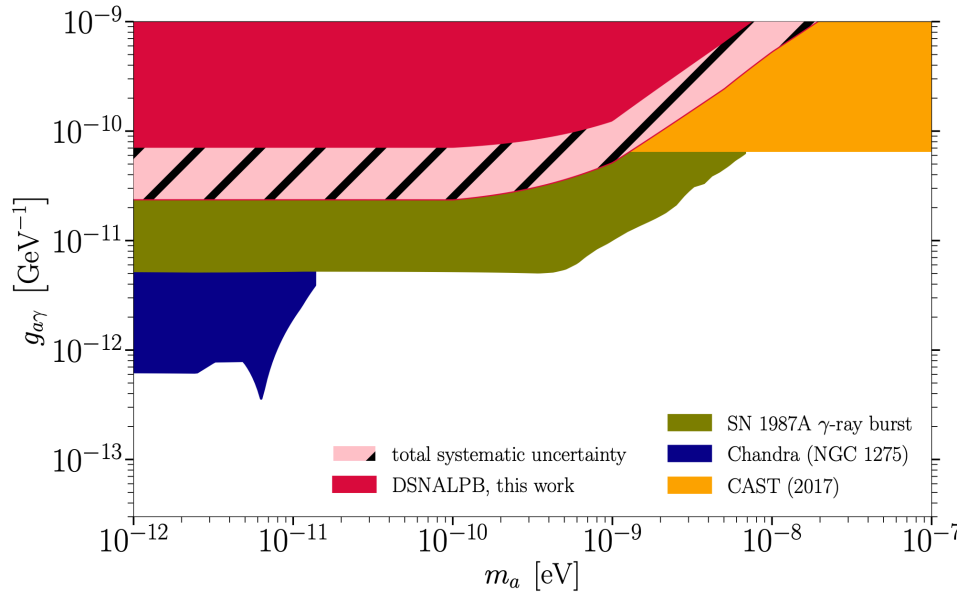
- Use SN background (i.e. all past SN)
- Better SN control (different masses)
- Fermi data (spatial distribution etc)
- Take into account  $O(20\%)$  effects (gravitational red-shift, alpha particles...)

# The „predicted“ picture

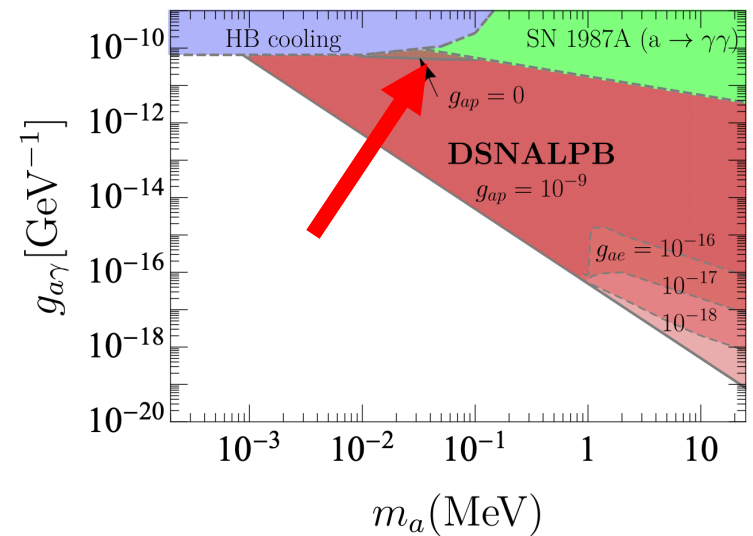




# The constraints



<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2110.03679.pdf>



<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2008.11741.pdf>

# Other couplings

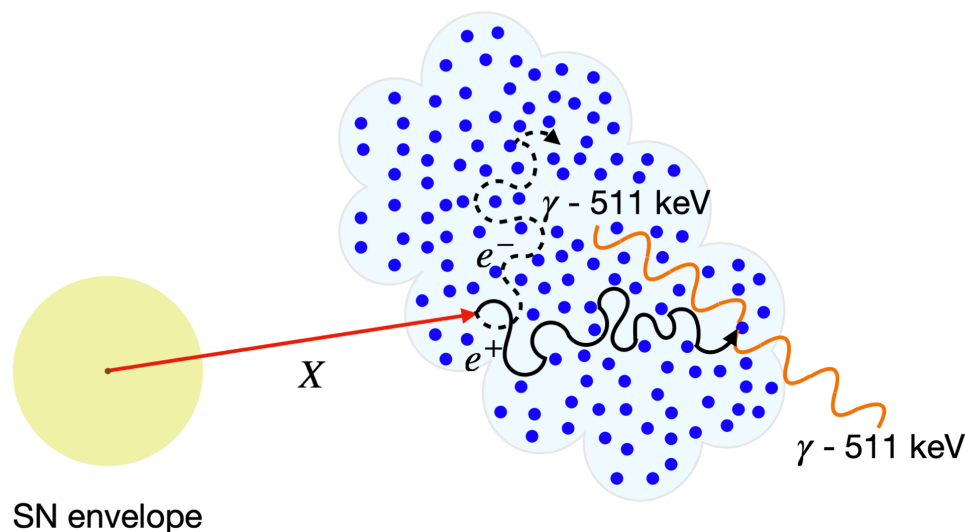
- Also allows to constrain other couplings
- For example:

Combination of

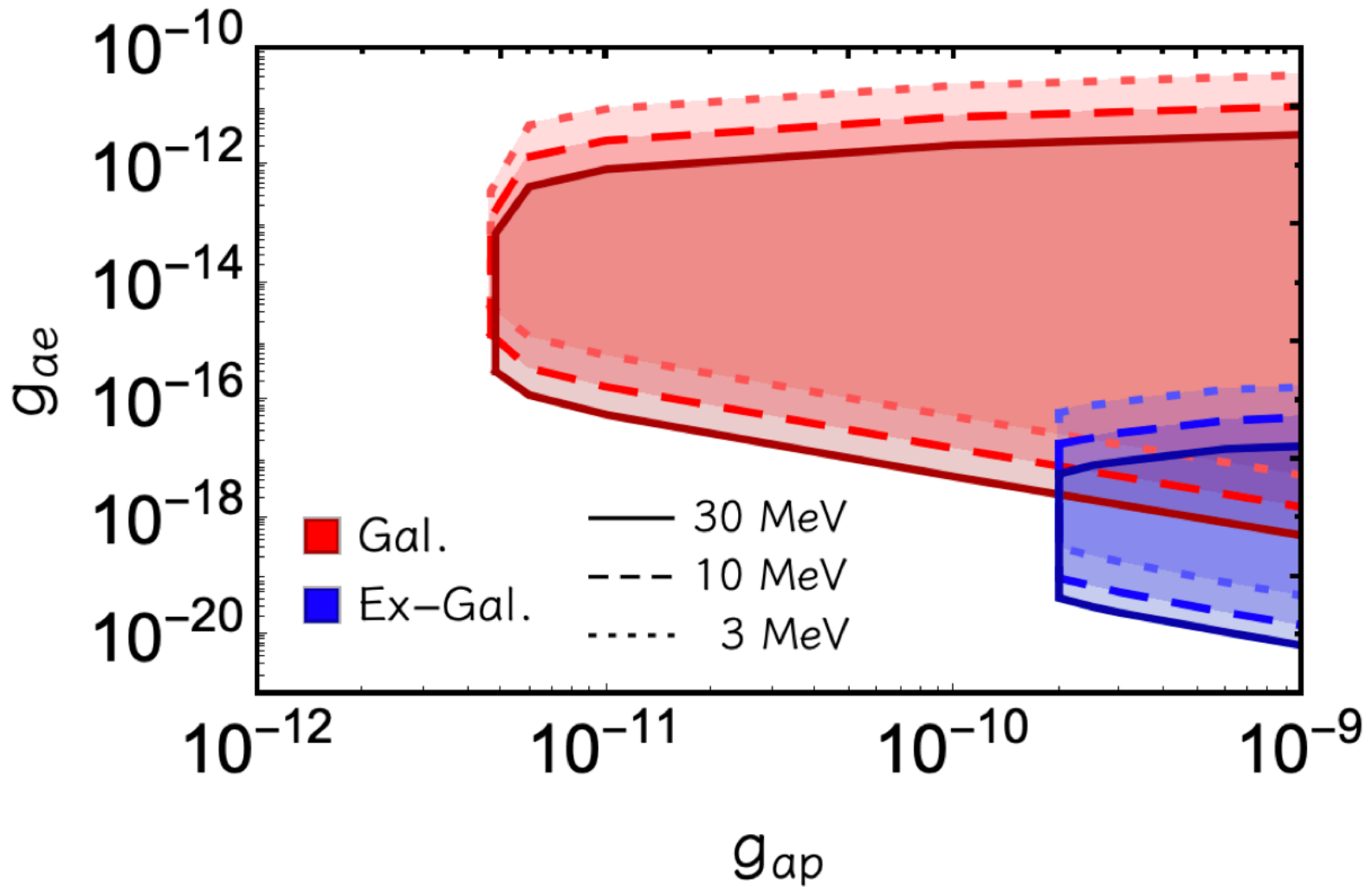
proton coupling (efficient production)

+

electron coupling (decay to  $e^+e^-$ -pairs,  
of which the  $e^+$   
annihilates with  
background)

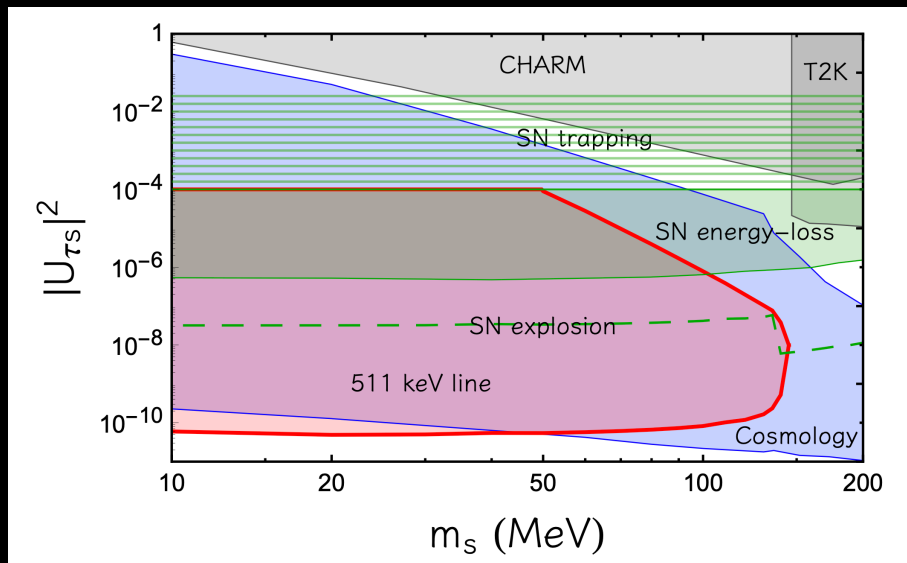


# The constraint

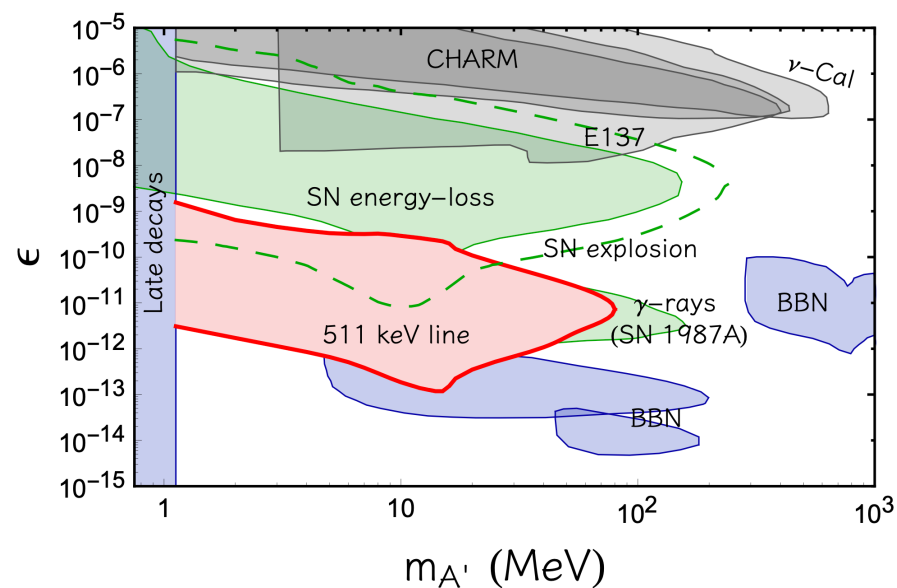


# Other FIPs

## Sterile Neutrinos

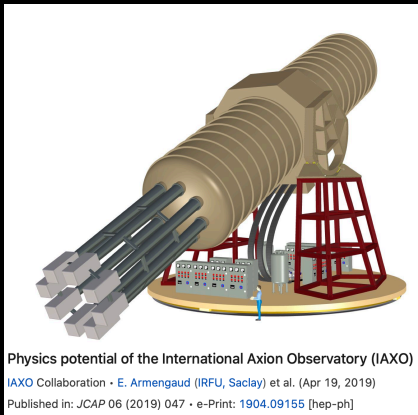
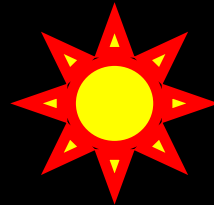


## Dark Photons



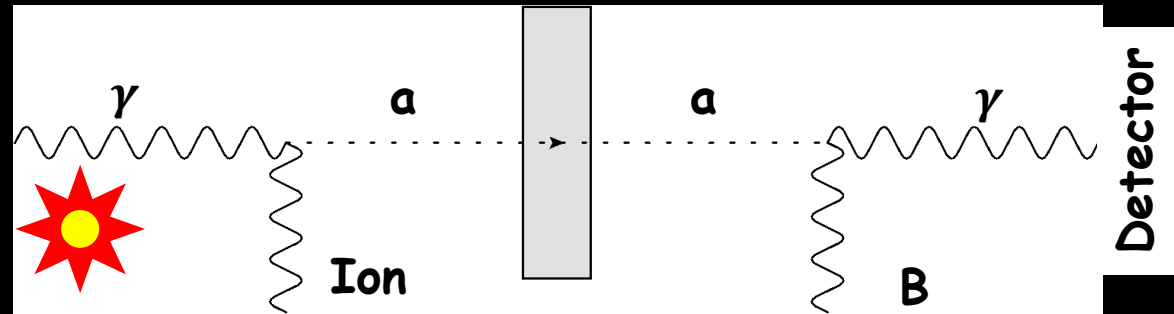
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# IAXO hopefully coming

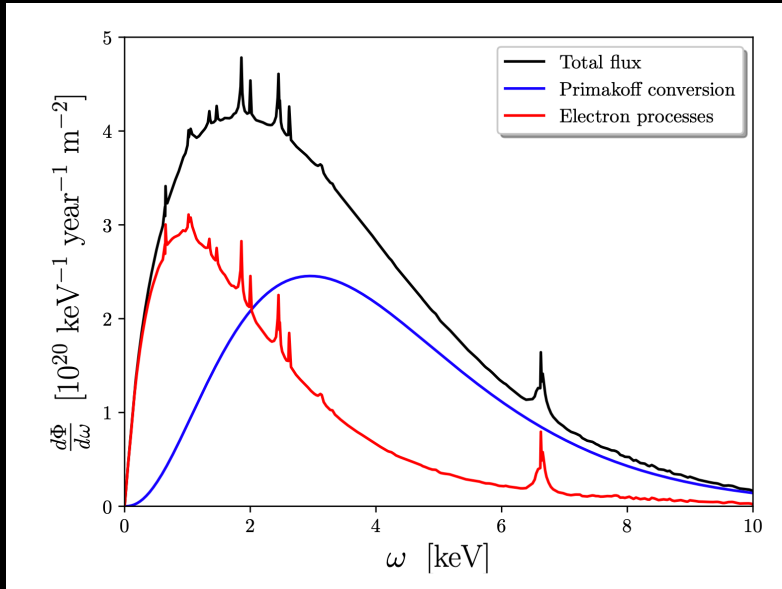


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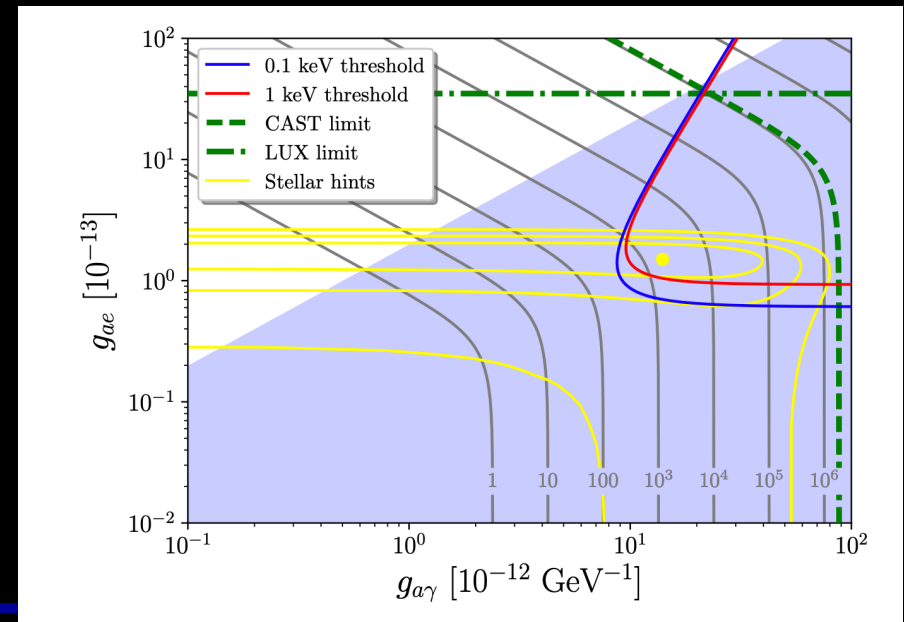
## Light shining through walls



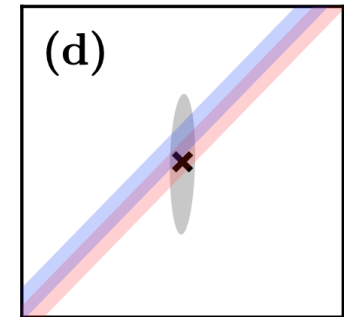
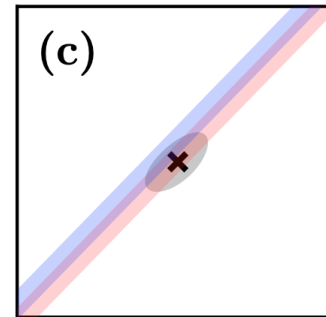
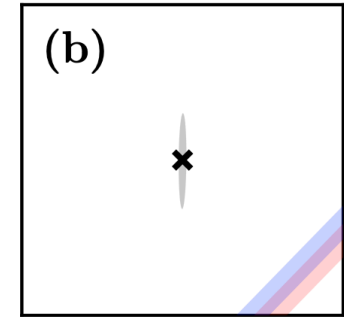
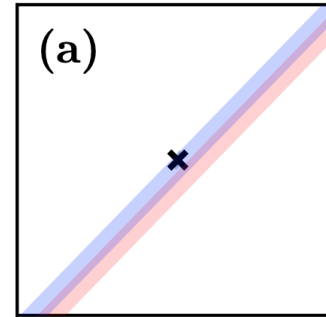
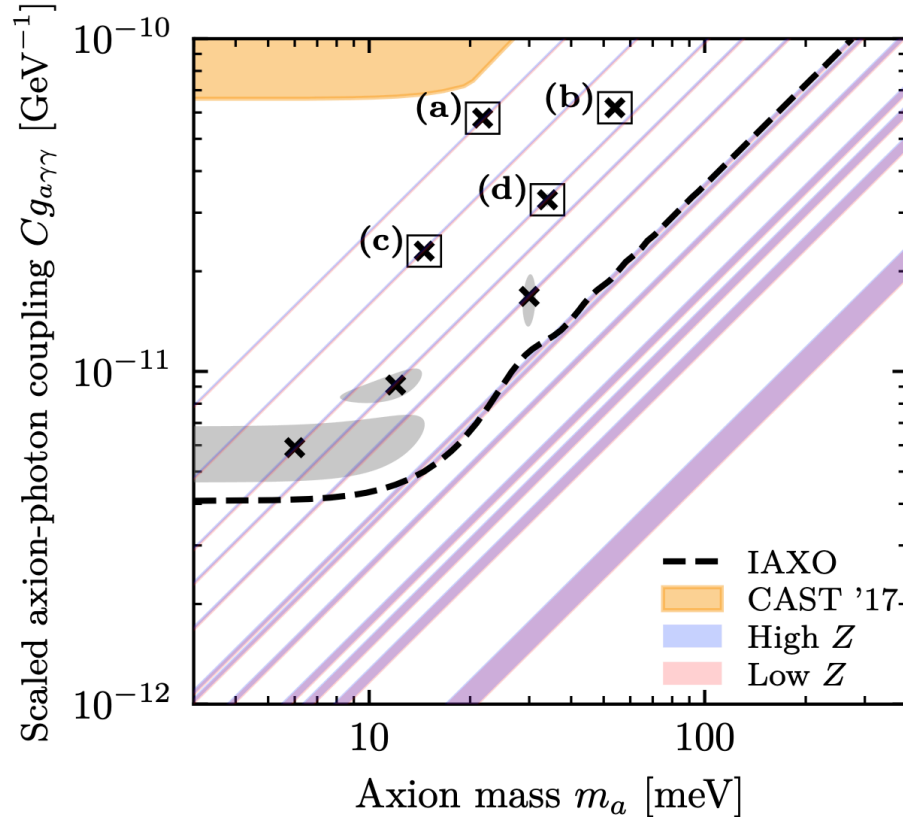
# Look at spectrum



Measure  
electron and photon  
→ coupling separately

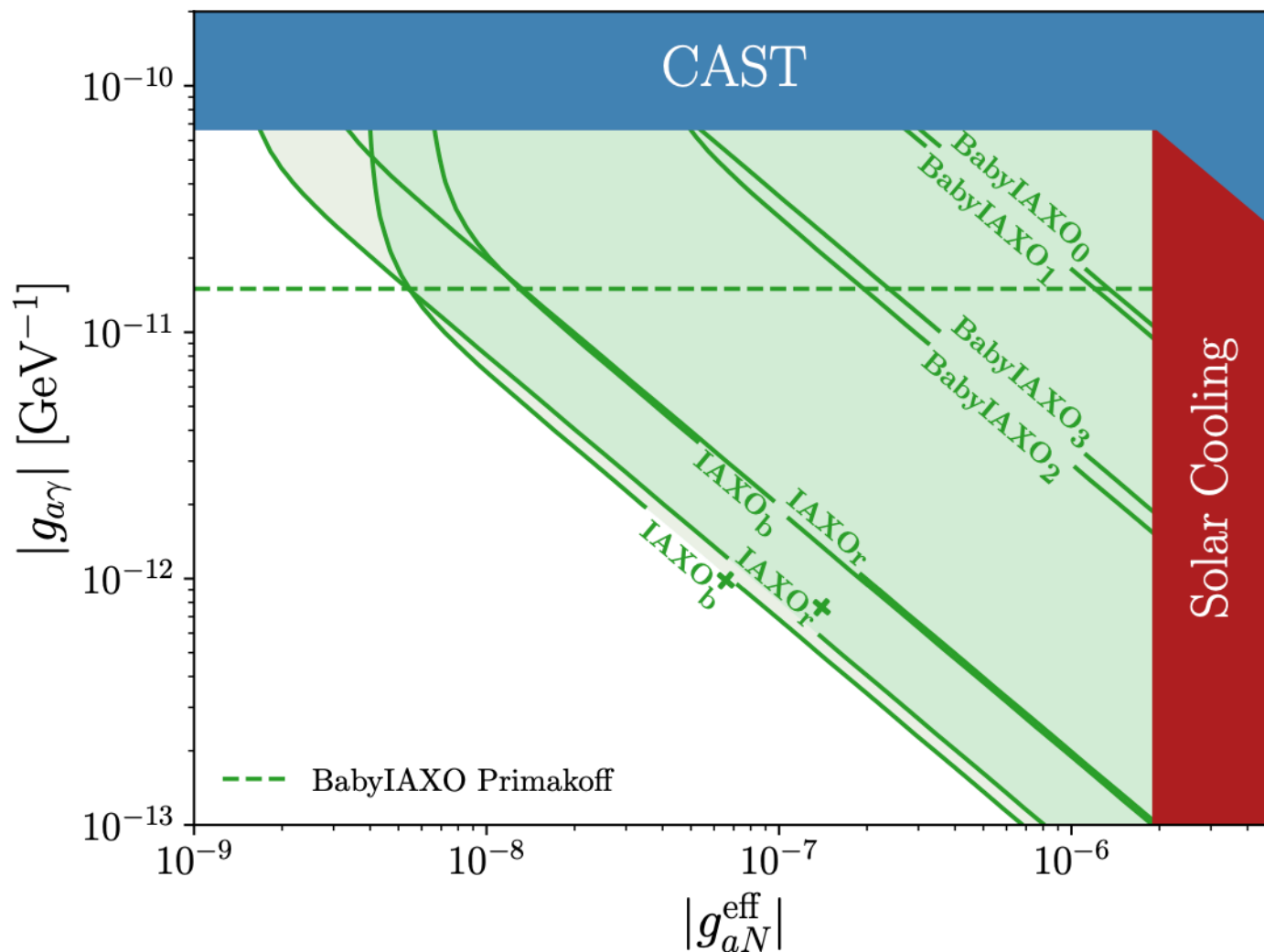


# Determine Axion model

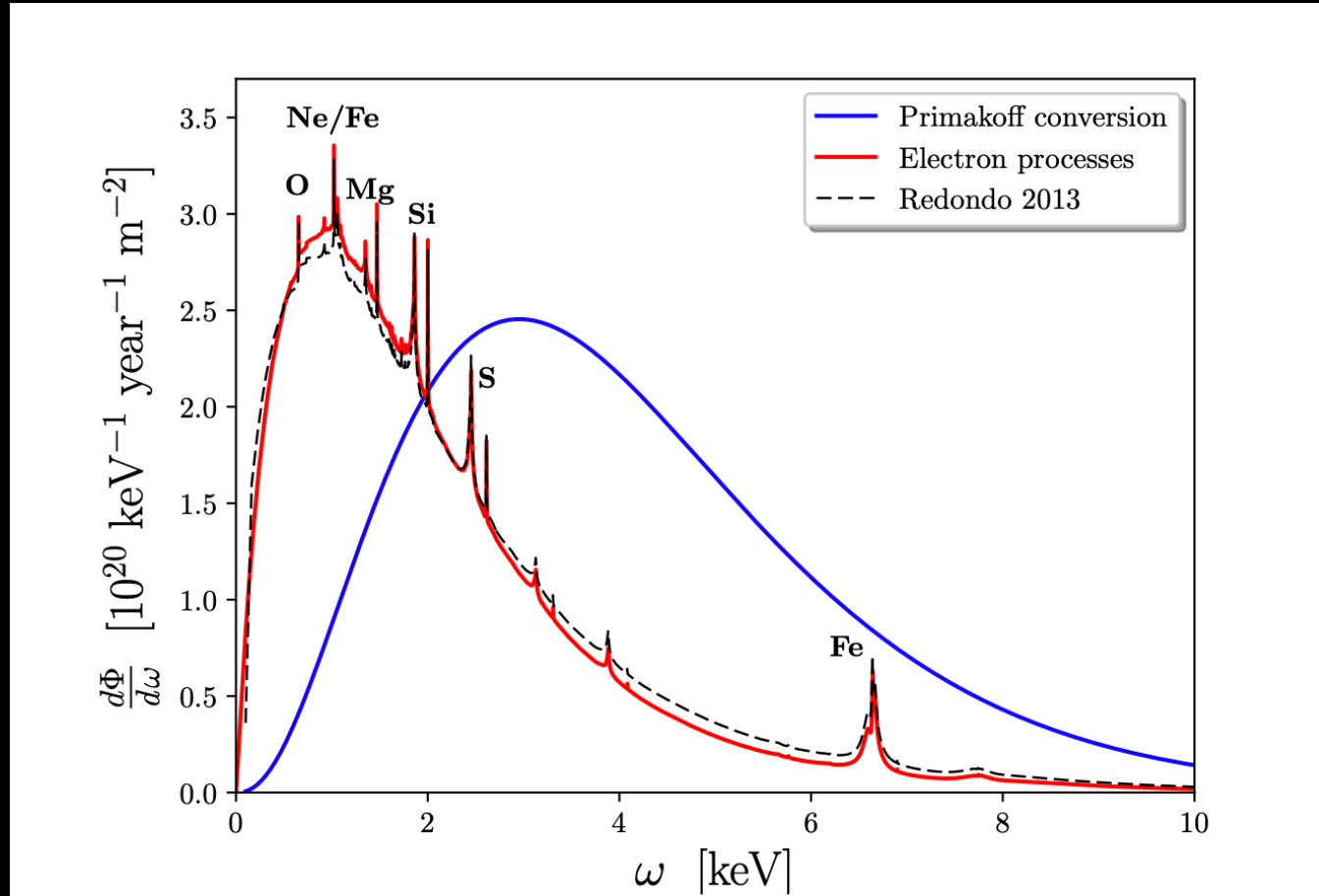




# Could also do nucleon coupling?



# Look inside sun and measure content



Cosmo-News

# Axionic/ALPy Dark Radiation

- Many (string) models feature a long-lived modulus  $\Phi$
- This reheats the Universe  $\Phi \rightarrow SM$
- Significant branching ratio into axions/ALPs  $\Phi \rightarrow a + a$
- These  $a$  are effective degrees of freedom visible in BBN and CMB
- often dangerous „Dark Radiation Problem“

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# The dark radiation problem

- String models usually have **too much axionic dark radiation**
- Reason: Long-lived volume modulus  $\phi_b$  dominates the Universe before reheating it

$$BR_{\phi_b \rightarrow aa} \sim \frac{\Gamma_{\phi_b \rightarrow aa}}{\Gamma_{\phi_b \rightarrow SM} + \Gamma_{\phi_b \rightarrow aa}} \sim \frac{1}{1 + 2z^2} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$$



$$\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \sim 6.1 \left( \frac{11}{g_*^4 g_{*,S}^{-3}} \right)^{1/3} BR(\phi \rightarrow aa)$$

**But:**

$$\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \lesssim 0.2 - 0.4$$

# Possible Solution: Decay to Higgses

- SUSY breaking generates coupling to Higgses

.... an actually not so long calculation...

$$\Gamma_{\phi_b \rightarrow hh} \sim \frac{m_{3/2}^4 c_{\text{loop}}^2}{m_{\tau_b} M_P^2} \sim (c_{\text{loop}} \mathcal{V})^2 \frac{m_{\tau_b}^3}{M_P^2} \gg \Gamma_{\phi_b \rightarrow a_b a_b}$$

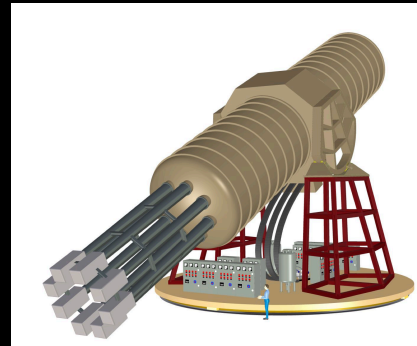


$$BR_{\phi_b \rightarrow aa} \ll 1$$

→ Problem solved  
(but check inflationary sector)

# Dark Radiation may be detectable + Useful

- For example in IAXO

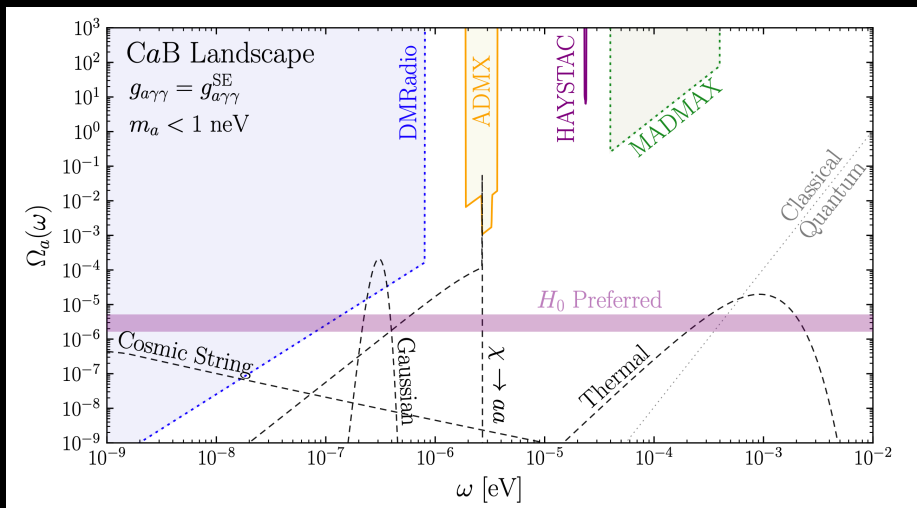


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- But also other experiments



Cosmic axion background

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- Might be interesting to think beyond scalar photon couplings!

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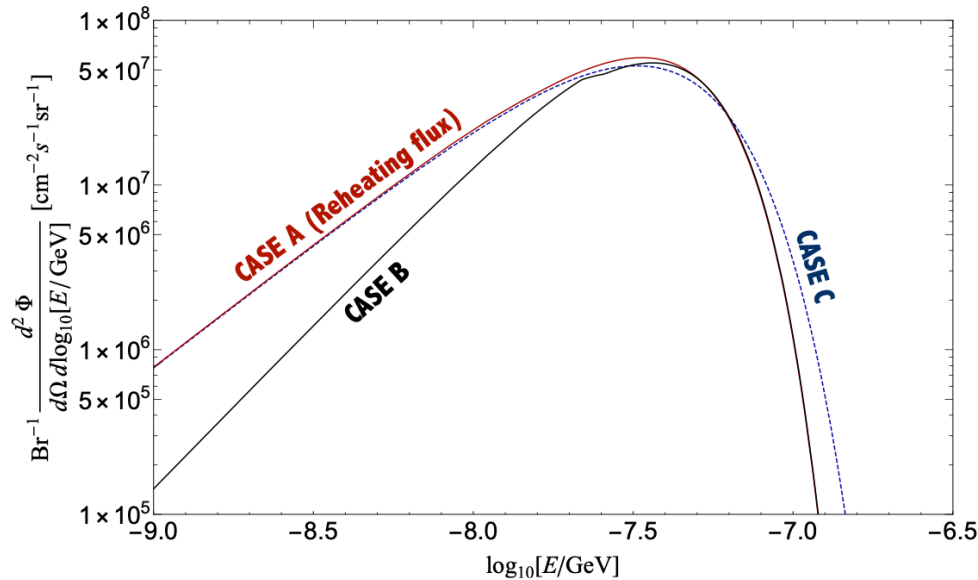
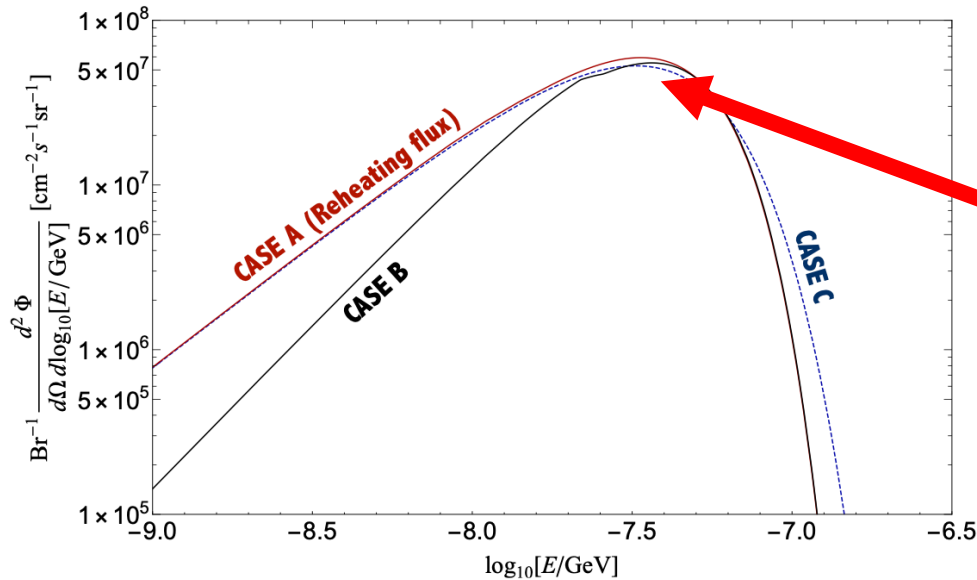


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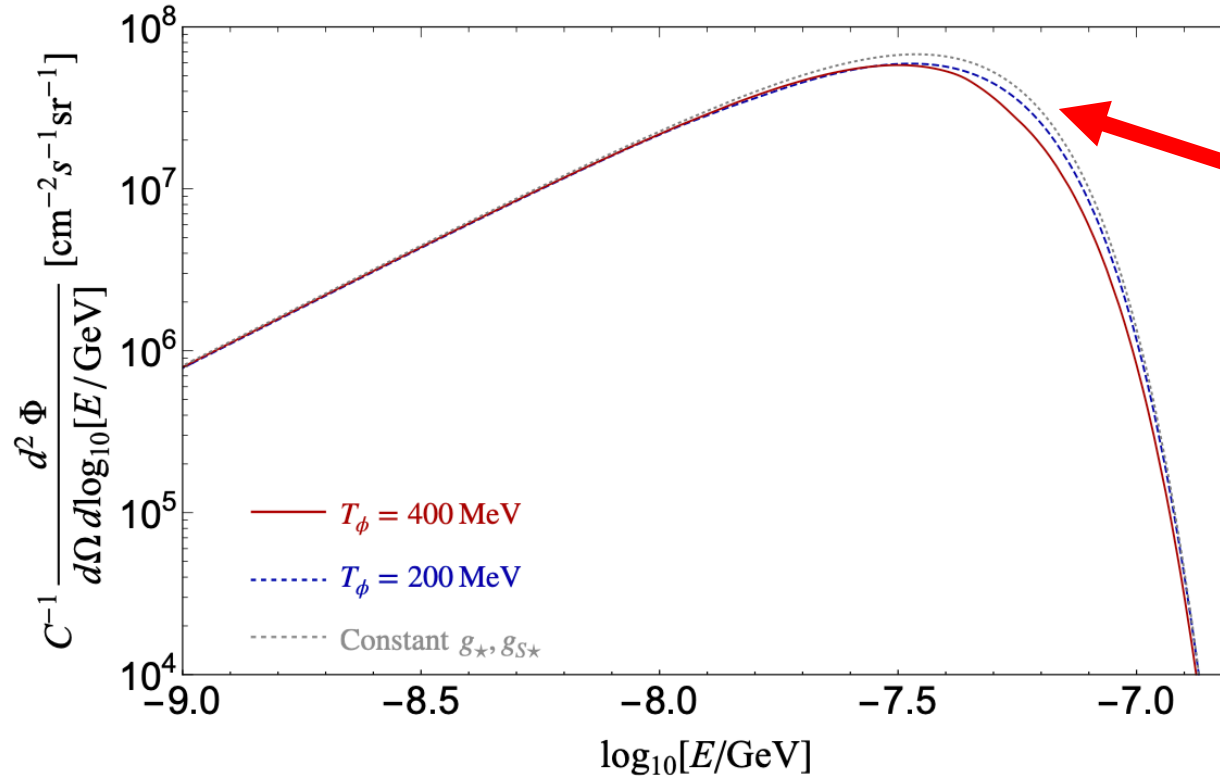


Measures

$$\frac{m_{\Phi}}{T_{\Phi}}$$

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# Measure reheating temperature



Slightly  
different  
shapes  
measure  
temperature

Figure. 2. The reheating flux dependence on the decoupling effect:  $T_\phi = 400 \text{ MeV}$  (red-solid line) and  $T_\phi = 200 \text{ MeV}$  (blue-dashed line, CASE A). We take  $g_\star, g_{s\star}$  temperature in-

Crazy-News

# Going Crazy: Poincare violation

Probing Poincaré Violation

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# Poincare Symmetry

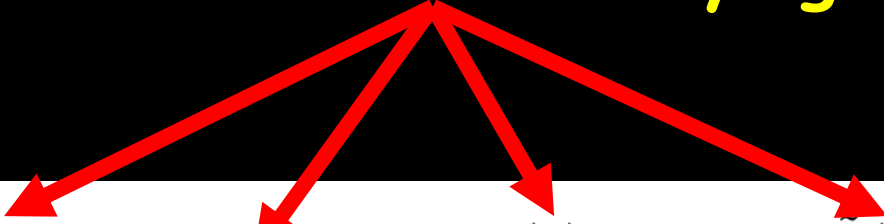
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- Lorentz Invariance (→Kostelecky et al)
- Time Translation Invariance  
→ Energy Conservation
- Space Translation Invariance  
→ Momentum Conservation

**We start here**

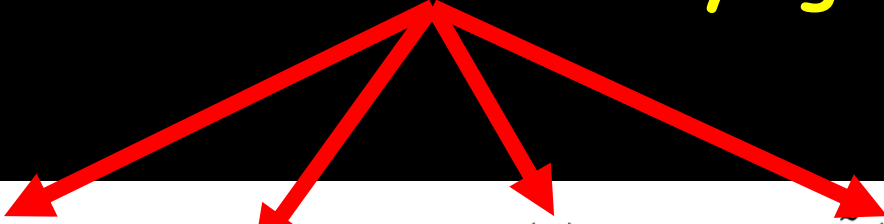
# Looking at PV QED

- Simple implementation: Time varying couplings


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- What's new?
  - Consider broad range of time-variations (future)
  - Take energy violation seriously

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- For now: Simple periodic time variation

$$\begin{aligned}\delta Z(x) &= Z(x) - 1 = \sum_{\omega} \delta Z(\omega) \cos \omega t \\ \tilde{Z}(x) &= \sum_{\omega} \tilde{Z}(\omega) \cos \omega t \\ \frac{\delta m(x)}{m_e} &= \frac{m(x) - m_e}{m_e} = \sum_{\omega} \frac{\delta m(\omega)}{m_e} \cos \omega t \\ \frac{\tilde{m}(x)}{m_e} &= \sum_{\omega} \frac{\tilde{m}(\omega)}{m_e} \cos \omega t\end{aligned}$$



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Might be interesting to allow for broad spectrum, or even white noise

# Breaks Lorentz invariance, too

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- Time varying couplings have

$$\partial_{\mu} \delta Z(x) \neq 0$$

- Non-vanishing Lorentz vector  $\rightarrow$  Lorentz symmetry is broken, too

$\rightarrow$  Need to specify rest frame

$\rightarrow$  We take CMB rest frame

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# Looks like (pseudo-)Scalar DM?

- One origin of oscillation could be scalar DM

$$\delta Z(t) \sim g\phi(t) \sim g\phi_0(t) \cos(mt)$$

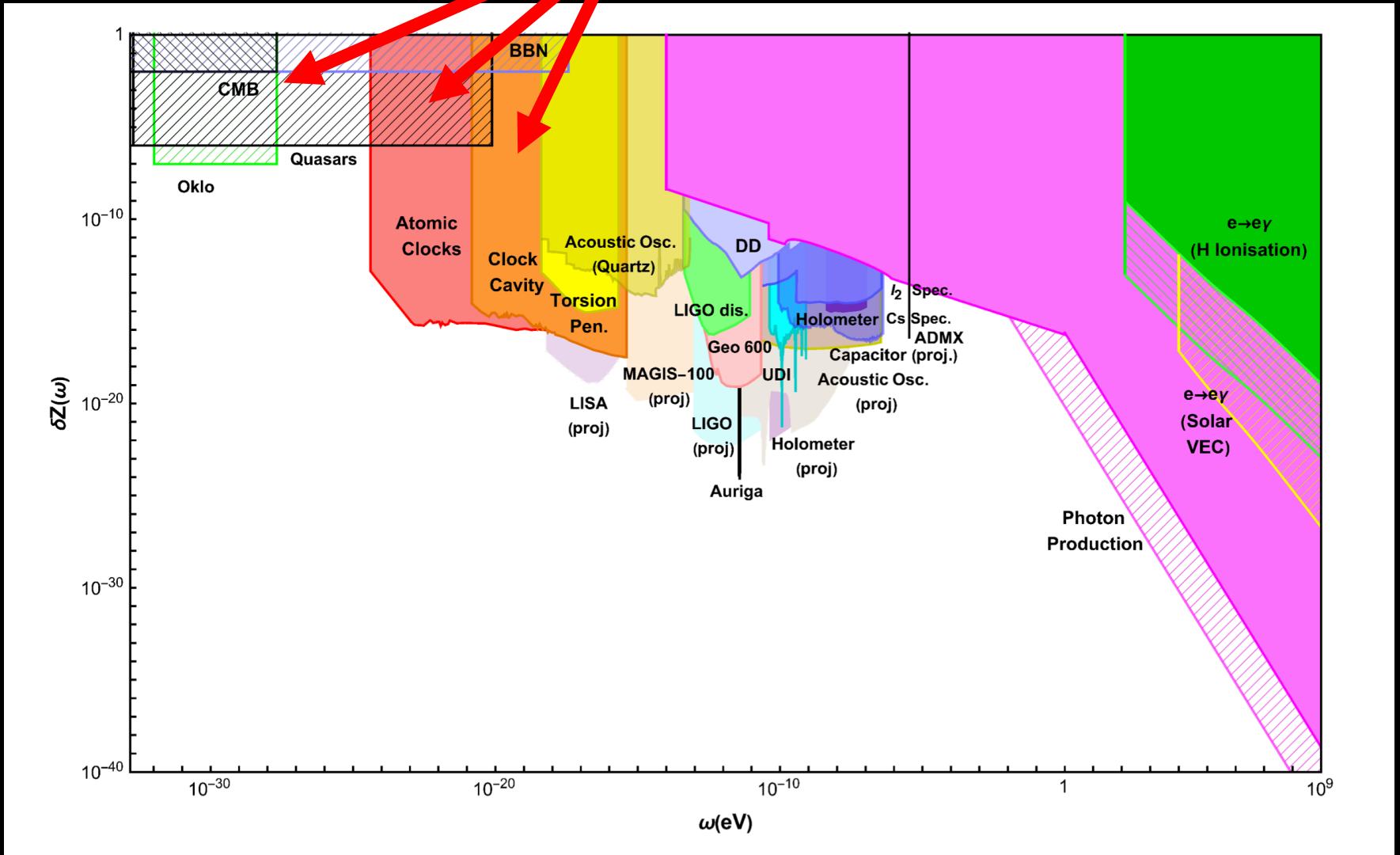
- We want to be more general

(less constrained by reason)

- DM predicts specific  $\phi_0(t) \sim a^{-3/2}$   
vs. we consider  $\phi_0(t) \sim \text{const}$
- No gravitational clumping (+fixed frequency spectrum)
- No particle excitations
  - astrophysical energy loss bounds gone
- No forces from a particle exchange
  - no fifth forces

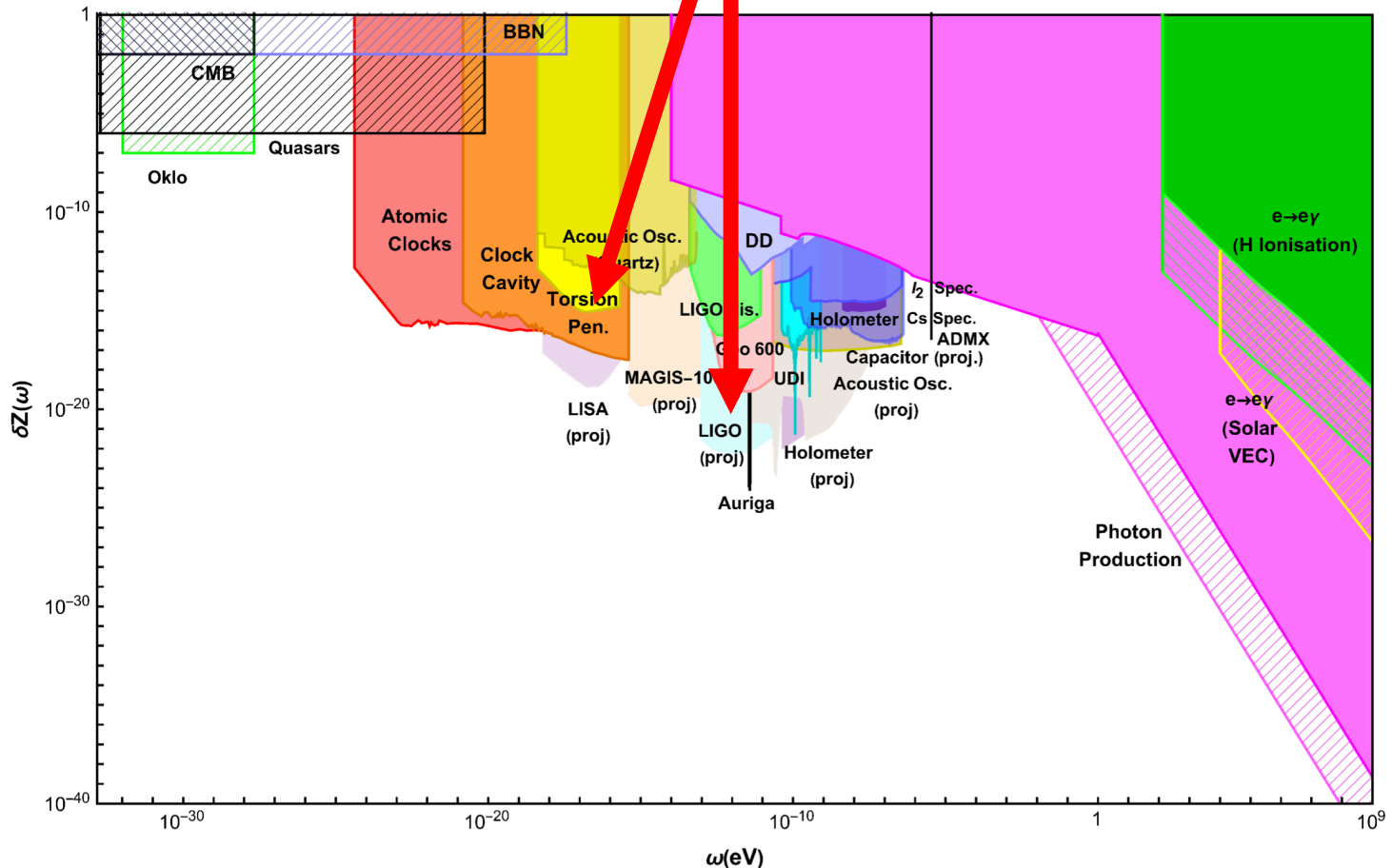
# Results

- "Standard" limits from time varying constants



# Results

- Oscillating Forces in experiments moving with respect to the rest frame (a la DM)



# Particles from nothing

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- An  $\delta Z \sim \cos(\omega t)$  is like an oscillating driving force for photons

## → Photon creation

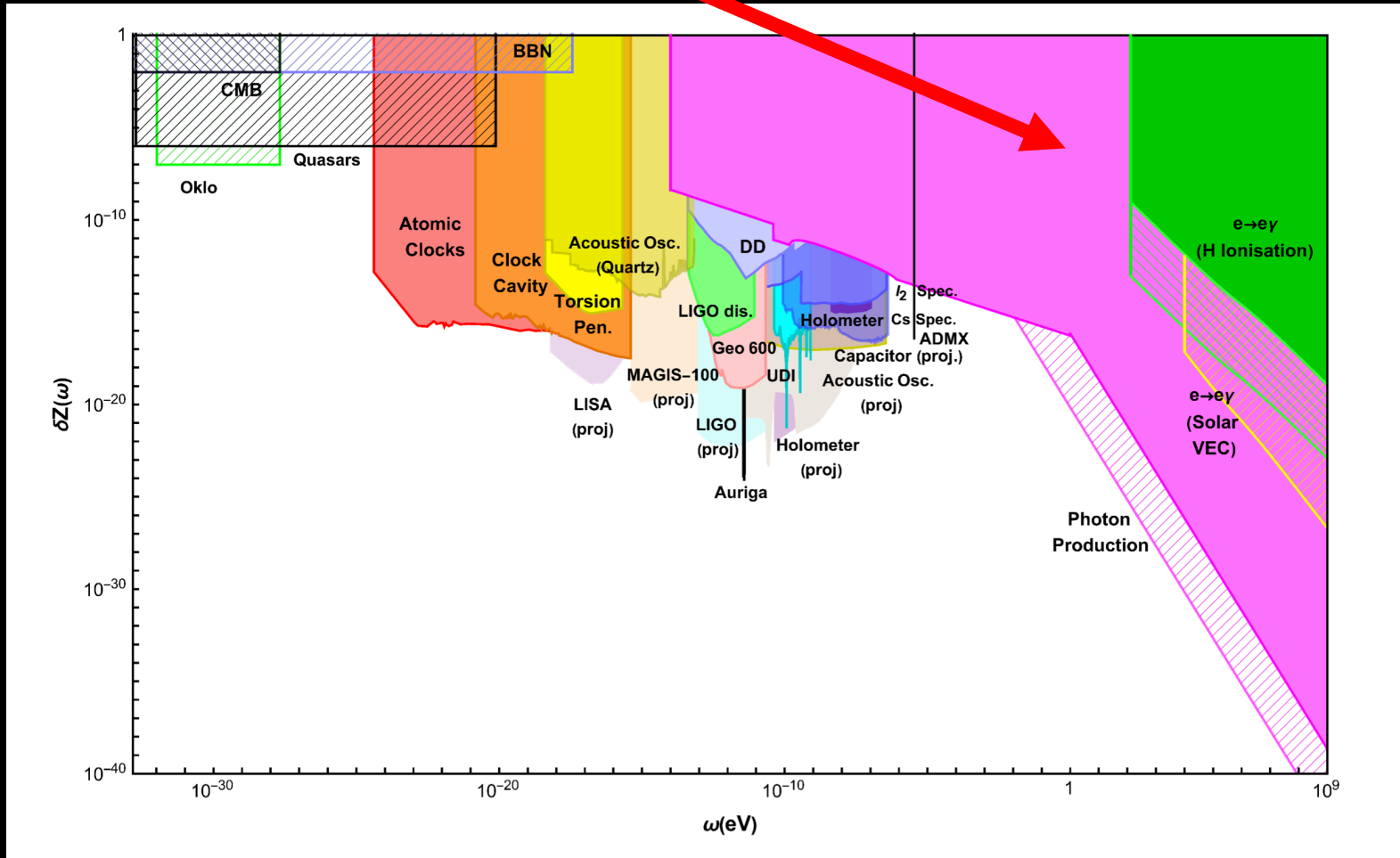
$$\dot{n}_\gamma(\omega) = (2N_k + 1) \frac{(\delta Z(\omega))^2 \omega^4 \beta_\gamma}{64\pi},$$

(analog to resonant DM decay)

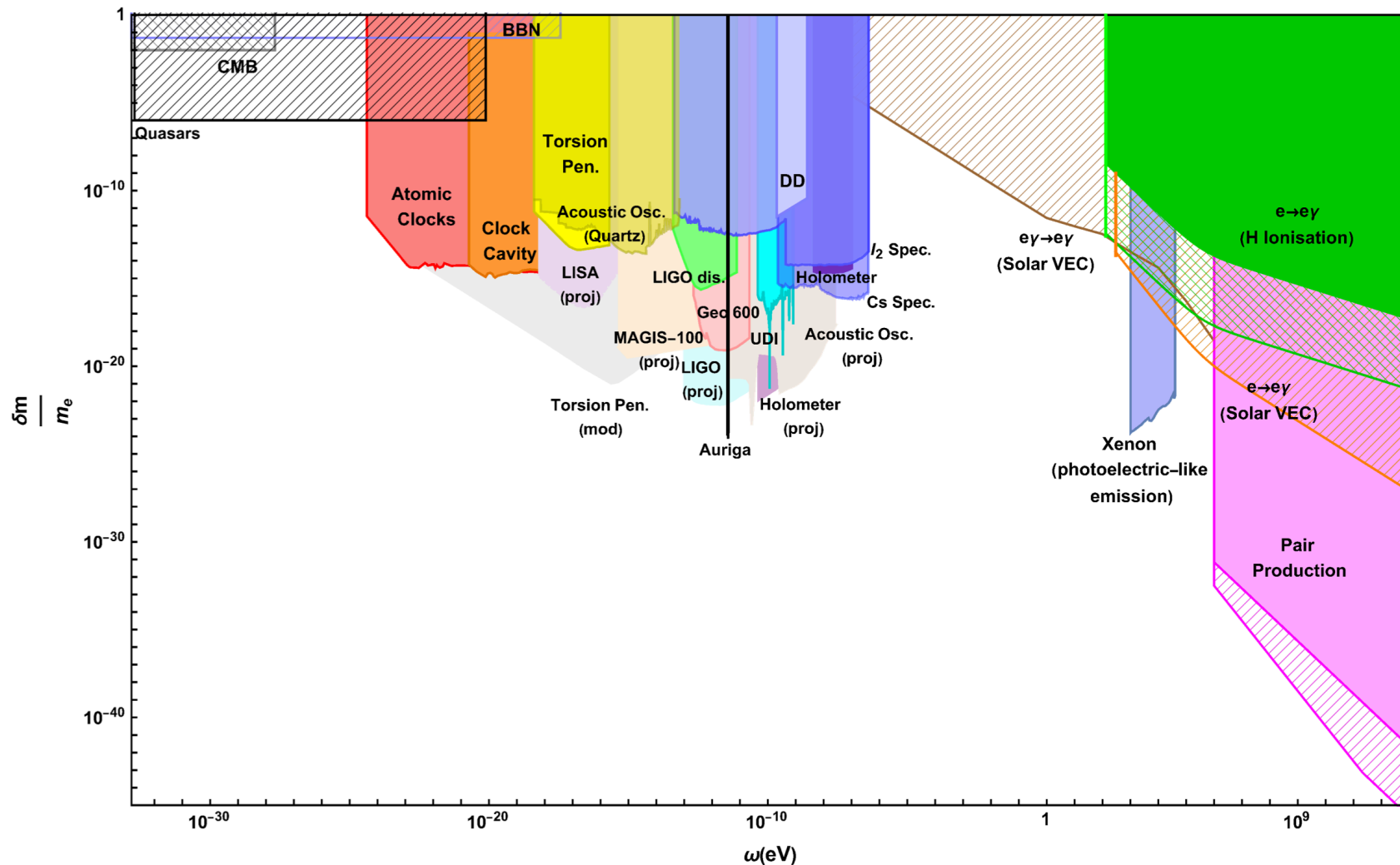
- Visible Photons, too much energy created etc.
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# Results

- Particle creation from vacuum (too much)



# Results: Electron coupling





# Energy violation in scattering events

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- Energy violation in scattering possible

$$e + \gamma (E) \rightarrow e + \gamma (E \pm \omega)$$

- Expect (because of phase space)

$$\sigma(E \rightarrow E - \omega) < \sigma(E + \omega)$$

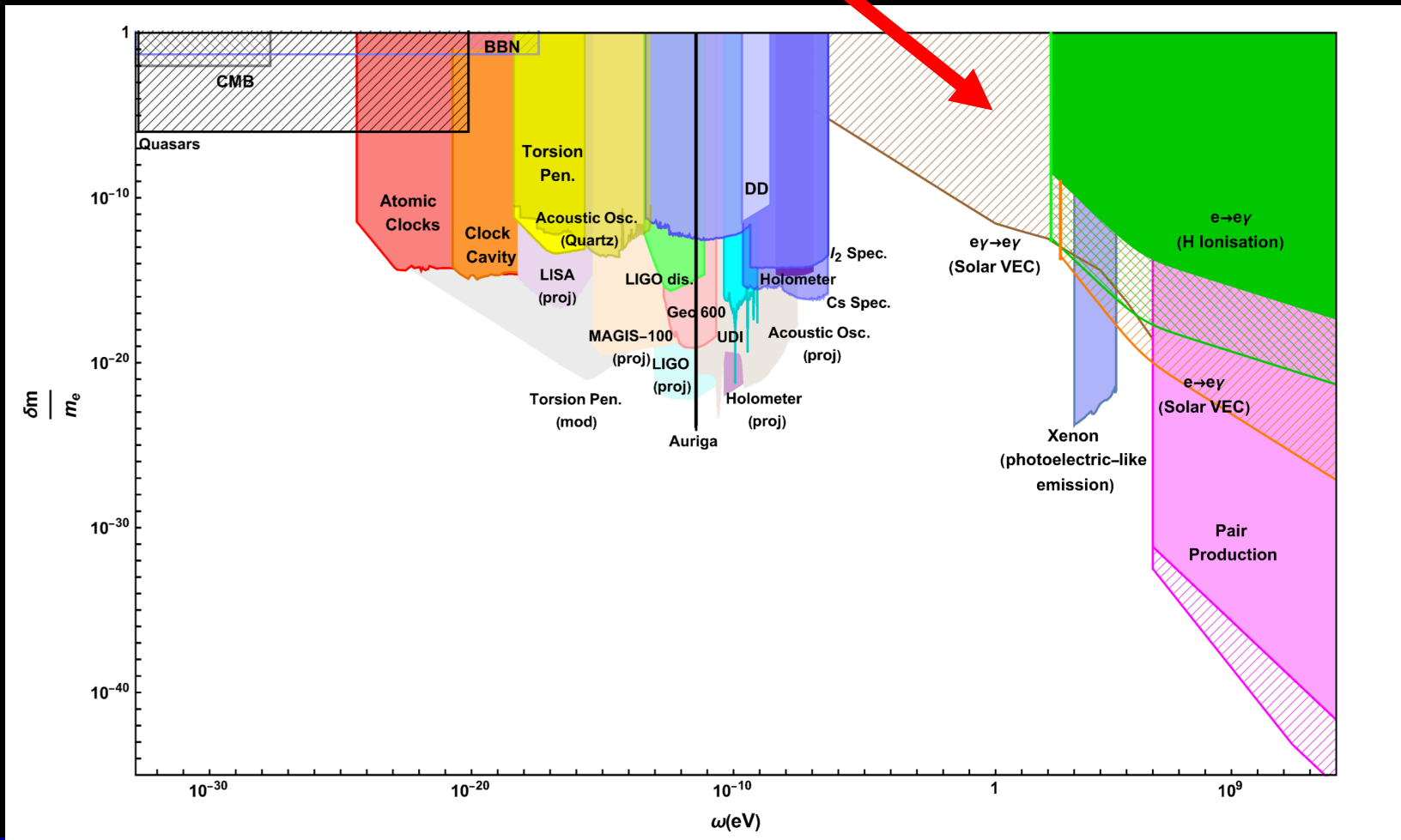
→ Net energy gain on average

→ For example Sun would „gain“ energy

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# Results

- Energy conservation in Sun is important for the electron couplings...



**Conclusions**

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- Astrophysical limits continue to improve
- Supernova rich source or FIPs
- Consider variety and combination of couplings
- Cosmic, „Dark Radiation“ of FIPs interesting for detection + probing cosmology
- Crazy Things like Poincare Violation/Energy Violation/Momentum Violation should also occasionally be tested
  - Might be interesting to search for variations/driving forces with non-trivial spectrum