

# Novel Astronomical Probes of Axions

with photon “baselines” of kpc, Mpc, and Gpc

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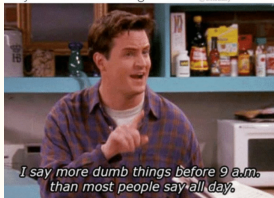
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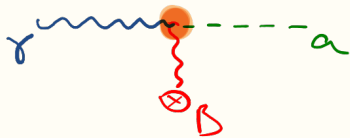
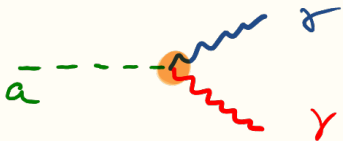
## Things that I won't talk about –

- review of the **cosmological constraints** of FIPs → c.f. Wallisch's talk
- review of the **astrophysical constraints** of FIPs → c.f. Carena's talk
- Israel election, US midterm, etc.

when people ask me why I don't speak to  
anyone in the morning



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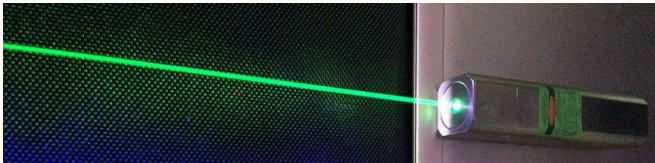


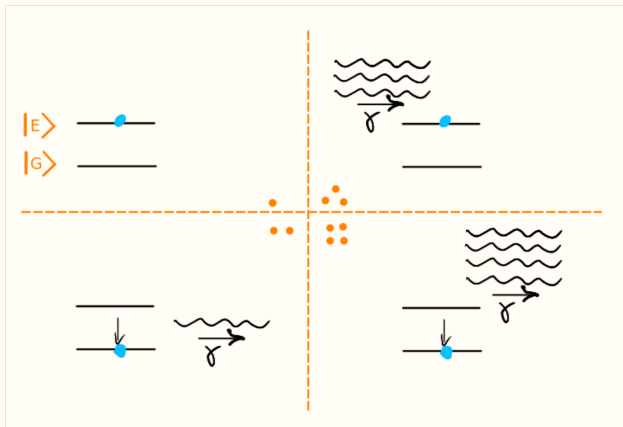
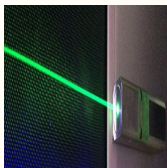
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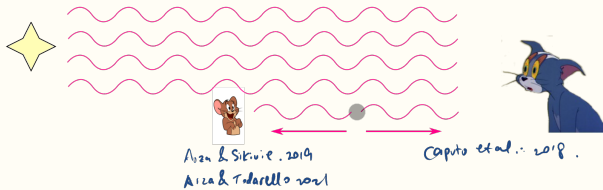
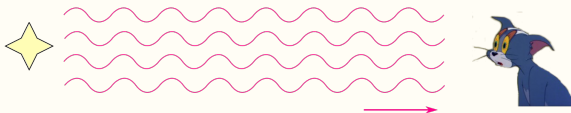
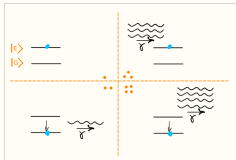
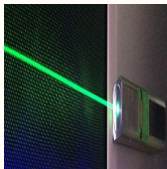
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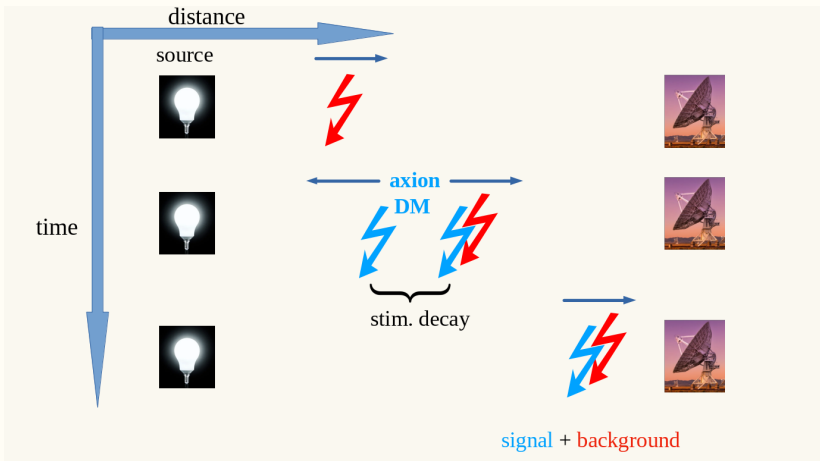
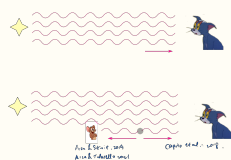
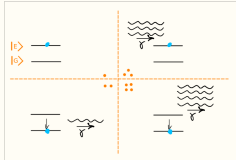
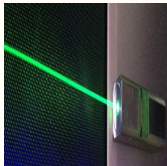
Because we know  $g_{a\gamma}$  is tiny (below  $\mathcal{O}(10^{-11}) \text{GeV}^{-1}$  from CAST, Superstar clusters, NGC1275, CMB spectral distortion, SN explosion ...)

- enhance the decay rate suppressed by the phase space.
- maximize  $(B \times L)$  by strong  $B$  or large  $L$ ,

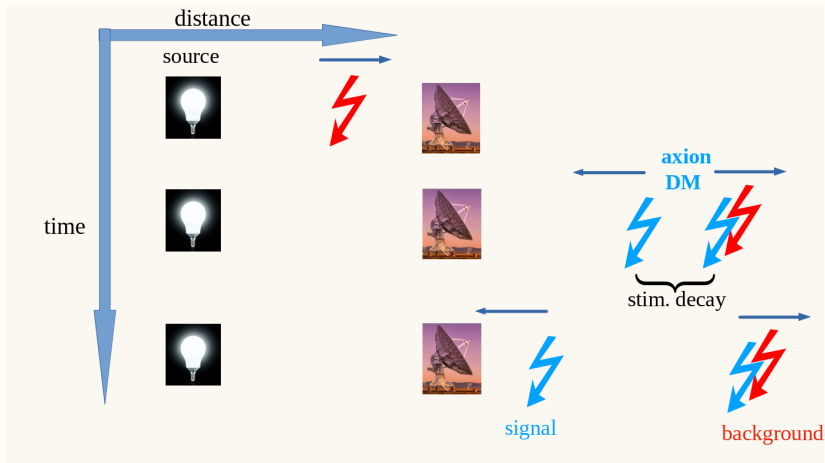
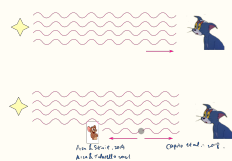
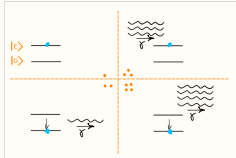
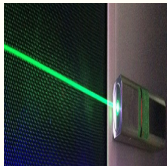


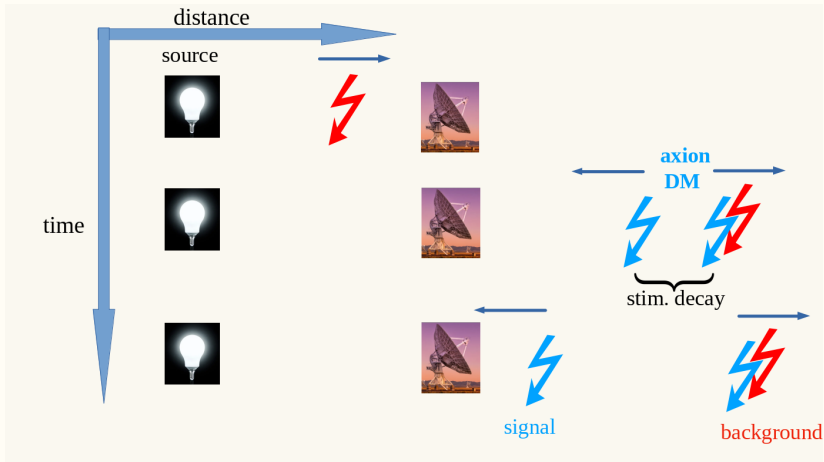












- Forward signal: arrives together with  $\gamma$  triggering the decay
- Backward signal:
  - separated from  $\gamma$  that generate them
  - not directly related to the radio source brightness at detection time candidates: galactic supernova remnants  $\sim O(1000)$  yo

signal flux density

[power/area/freq]

$$S_{\nu_a} = \frac{16\pi^2 \Gamma_a}{m_a^4 \sigma_a} \int dx \rho_a S_{\nu_a,stim}$$

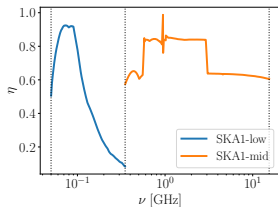
line width  $\sim 10^{-3}(m_a/4\pi)$

$$P_{\text{signal}} = S_{\nu} \cdot \Delta\nu \cdot A \cdot \eta$$

telescope area

$\Sigma$  (unit area)

telescope efficiency

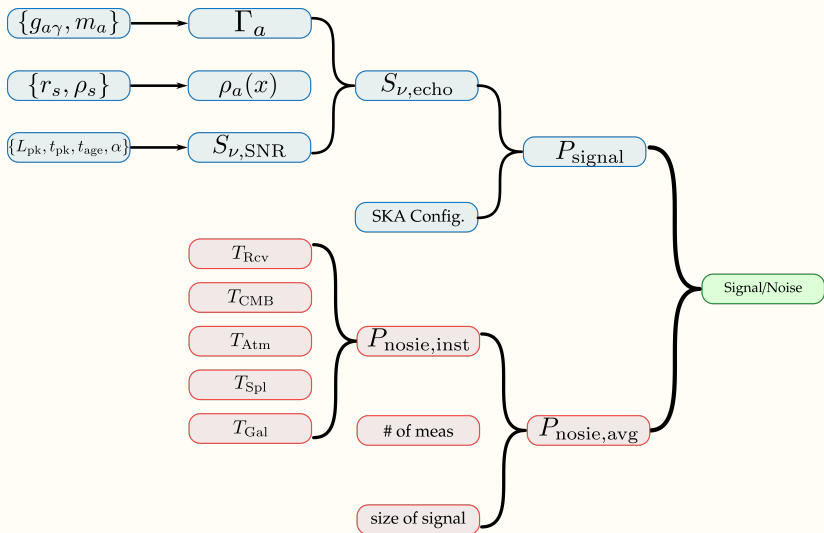


$$P_{\text{noise,inst}} = T_{\text{sys}} \Delta\nu$$

- $T_{\text{cmb}} \approx 2.73$  K
- $T_{\text{atm}} \approx 3$  K at 1 GHz,  $\sim \mathcal{O}(100)$  K at 100 MHz.
- $T_{\text{gal}} \sim \mathcal{O}(10)$  K (inhomogeneous, Haslam 408 MHz map),
- $T_{\text{rcv}} \approx 40$  K for SKA-low, and  $T_{\text{r}} \sim \mathcal{O}(10)$  K for SKA-mid
- $T_{\text{spl}} \lesssim 3$  K

$$P_{\text{noise}} = \frac{\sum_{\text{units}} (T_{\text{sys}} \Delta\nu)}{(\# \text{ of meas.})^{1/2}}$$

- $\sum_{\text{units}}$  is over all stations/dishes that receives the signal
- (# of meas.) is the number of independent measurements
  - 2 polarizations
  - $(\Delta\nu t_{\text{obs}})$  during  $t_{\text{obs}}$
  - # of dishes (single-dish mode)
  - # of baselines (interferometry mode)



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$$\theta_s = 85 \text{ arcmin}$$

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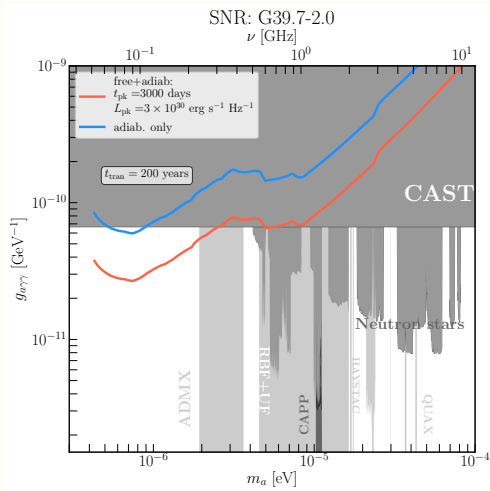
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 also see Schutz et al. 2110.13920



G6.4-0.1 like

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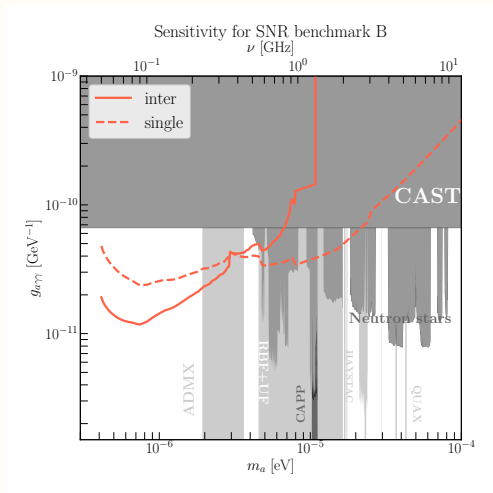
$$t_{\text{age}} \sim 35,000 \text{ years}$$

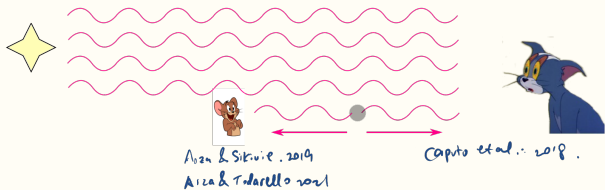
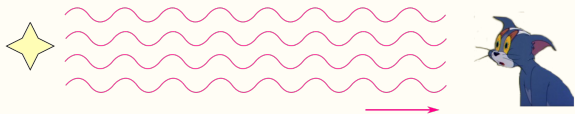
$$\alpha = 0.65 (*)$$

$$\gamma = 1.84$$

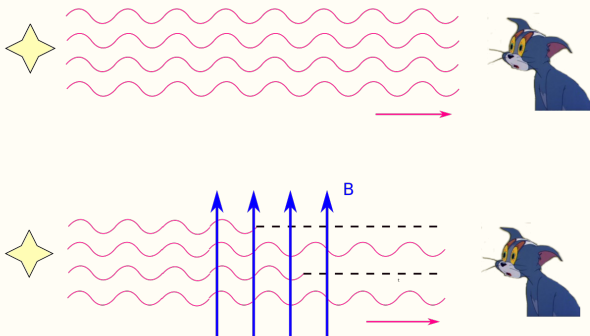
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# $\gamma - a$ oscillation in the cosmological context



**Mpc**

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angular size

$$\theta \sim \frac{\ell}{D_A}$$

- $\gamma - a$  oscillation won't affect  $D_A$  if  $\ell$  is known (std ruler)
- Some objects have **unknown size**  $\ell$ , which can only be inferred from their brightness measurement

angular diameter distance

Observable:

- X-ray surface brightness

$$S_X \propto \int n_e^2 \Lambda_{ee} dl = \int n_e^2 \Lambda_{ee} D_A d\theta$$

- Sunyaev-Zel'dovich Effect (SZE)

$$\Delta T_{CMB} \propto \int n_e T_e dl = \int n_e T_e D_A d\theta$$

$$D_A \propto \frac{\Delta T_{CMB}^2}{S_X}$$



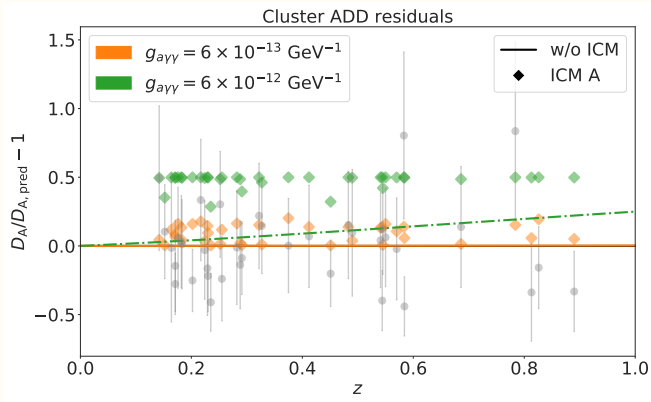
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With axions, the observables are affected as

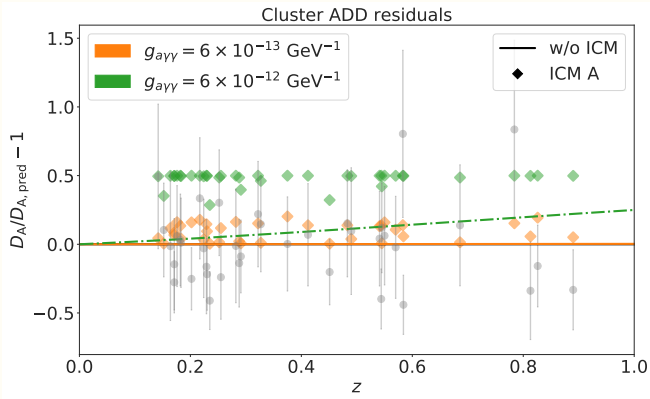
$$\begin{aligned}\Delta T_{CMB} &\rightarrow \Delta T_{CMB} \times P_{\gamma\gamma}^{IGM}(\omega_{CMB}) \\ S_X &\rightarrow S_X \times P_{\gamma\gamma}^{IGM}(\omega_X) \langle P_{\gamma\gamma}^{ICM}(\omega_X) \rangle\end{aligned}$$

which leads to a modification of the angular diameter distance

$$D_A \rightarrow D_A \times \frac{P_{\gamma\gamma}^{IGM}(\omega_{CMB})^2}{P_{\gamma\gamma}^{IGM}(\omega_X)} \langle P_{\gamma\gamma}^{ICM}(\omega_X) \rangle$$



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$$-2 \ln \mathcal{L}_{cl} = \sum_{i=1}^{38} \left( \frac{D_{A,i}^{exp} - D_A^{th}(z_i; \theta)}{\sigma_i^{exp}} \right)^2$$

**Gpc**

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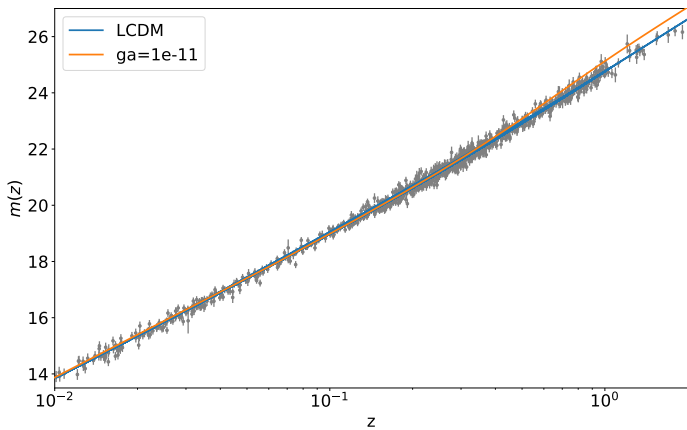
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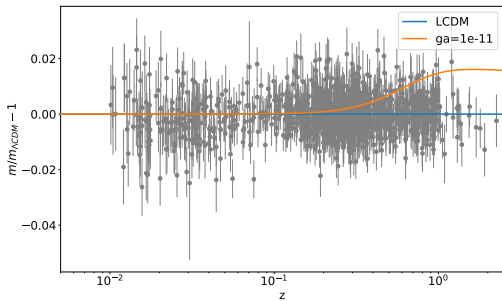
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- The  $a - \gamma$  conversion modifies how we map flux  $F$  to the luminosity distance  $D_L$ . The shape of  $F(D_L)$  is modified
- In a  $\Lambda$ CDM universe,  $D_L = D_L(z; \Lambda, H_0) \Rightarrow$  flux-redshift relation.  
Shape of  $F(z; g_{a\gamma}, \Lambda)$  can be constrained by SNIa data set
- $g_{a\gamma}$  degenerates with  $\Lambda$ , but if  $\Lambda$  is anchored by an external data set, e.g. BAO or galaxy clusters, the constraint on  $F(z)$  is a constraint on  $g_{a\gamma}$

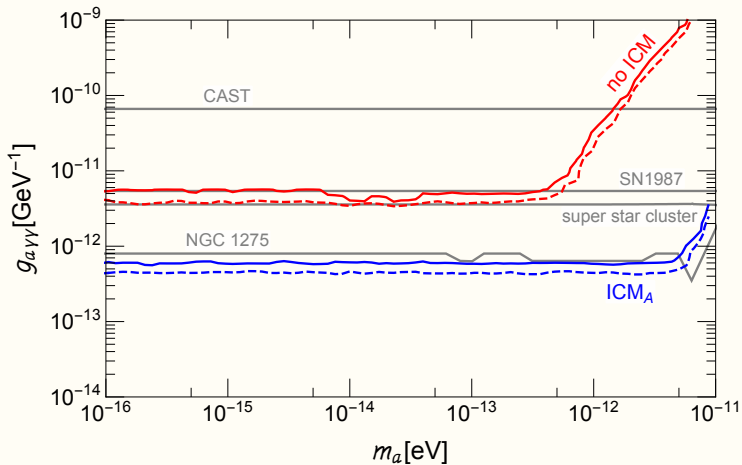






The likelihood:

$$-2 \ln \mathcal{L}_{Pan} = \sum_{i,j=1}^{1048} (m_i^{Pan} - m^{th}(z_i; \theta, M)) C_{ij}^{Pan} (m_j^{Pan} - m^{th}(z_j; \theta, M))$$



# Summary

- There is rich phenomenology in the propagation of photons emitted by natural sources, induced by axion or axion DM.

· high photon occupation number · magnetic field · long baselines

- kpc: DM  $a \rightarrow \gamma_f + \gamma_b$  leads to echo signals from **transient sources (that are dim today)** by the stimulated decay

thanks to the large  $\gamma_f$  **occupation number**;

$\gamma_b$  depends on **historical source brightness**; has **low background**;

- Mpc:  $\gamma \rightarrow a$  in  $B_{ICM}$  modifies **distance inference of galaxy clusters**

introduce a **cluster dependence** to the reconstructed Hubble diagram.

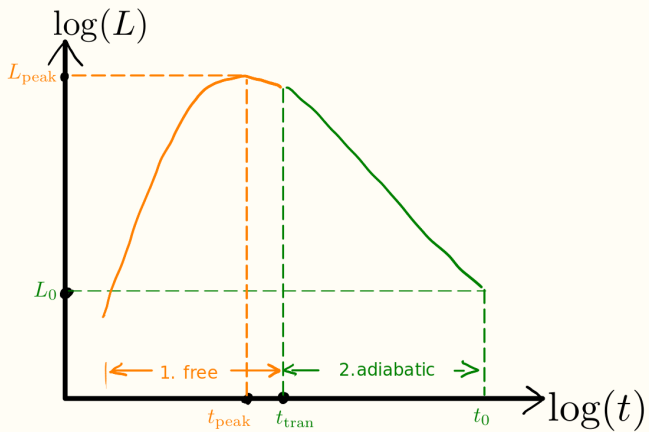
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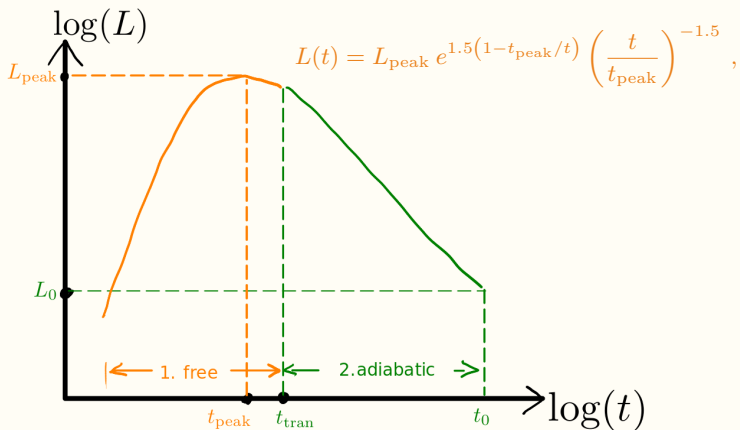
introduce an extra **redshift dependence** to the Hubble diagram.

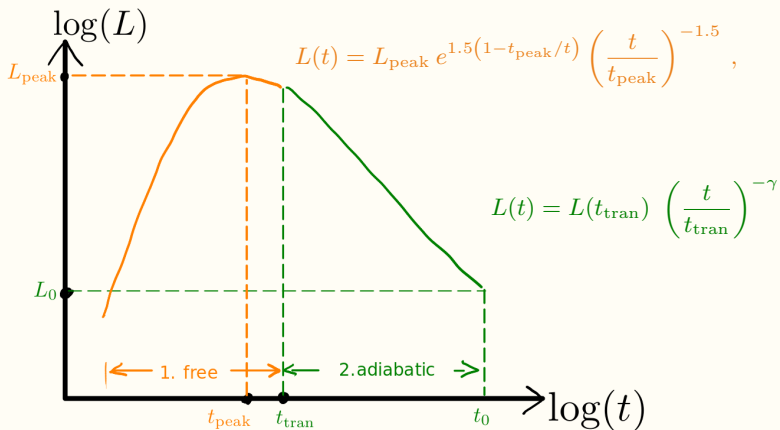
 [https://github.com/ChenSun-Phys/cosmo\\_axions](https://github.com/ChenSun-Phys/cosmo_axions)

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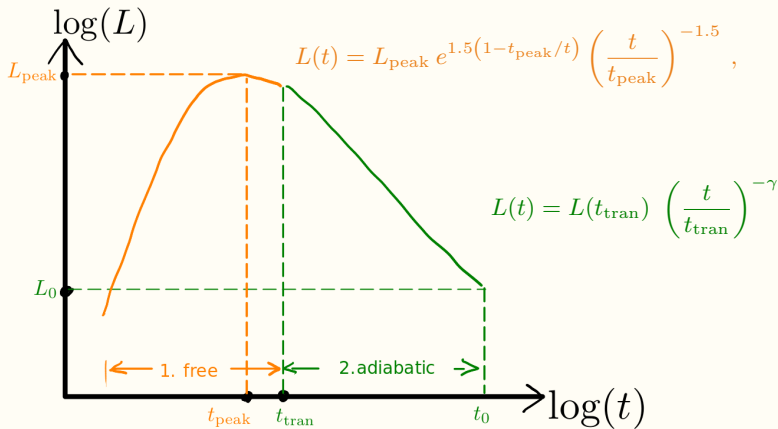
# Backup slides





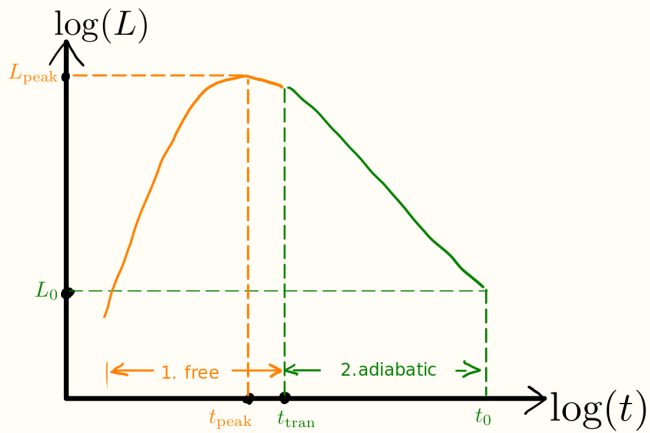


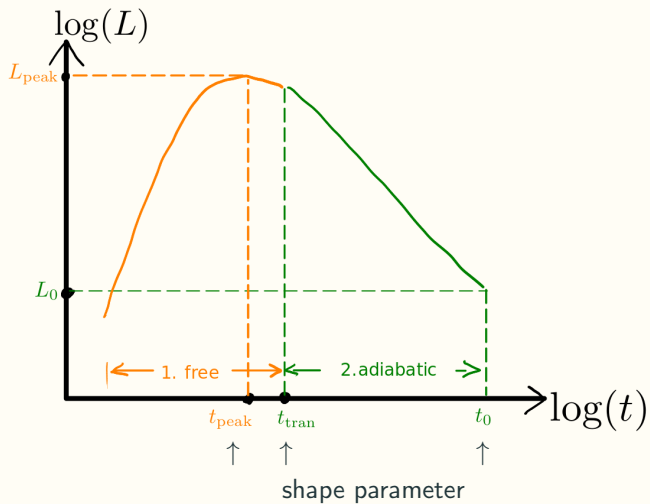
# Phases of SNR Evolution

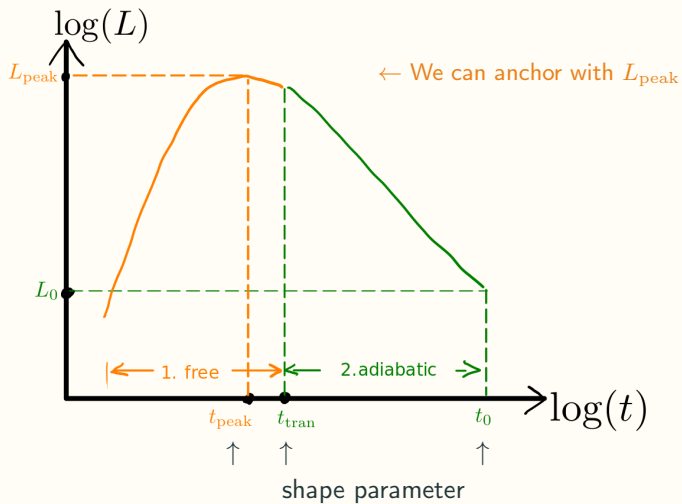


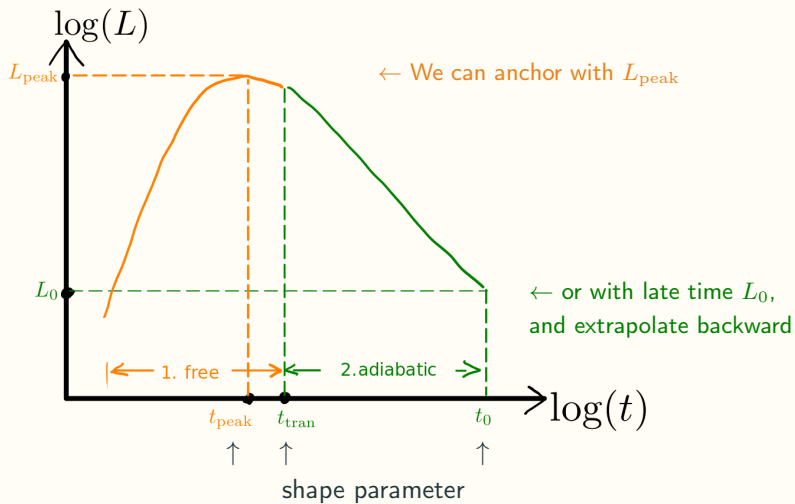
- 1. Free expansion,  $\sim \mathcal{O}(100)$  yr
- 2. Adiabatic,  $\sim \mathcal{O}(10^4)$  yr
- 3. Snow plough,  $\sim \mathcal{O}(10^5)$  yr
- 4. Dispersion phase,  $\sim \mathcal{O}(10^6)$  yr



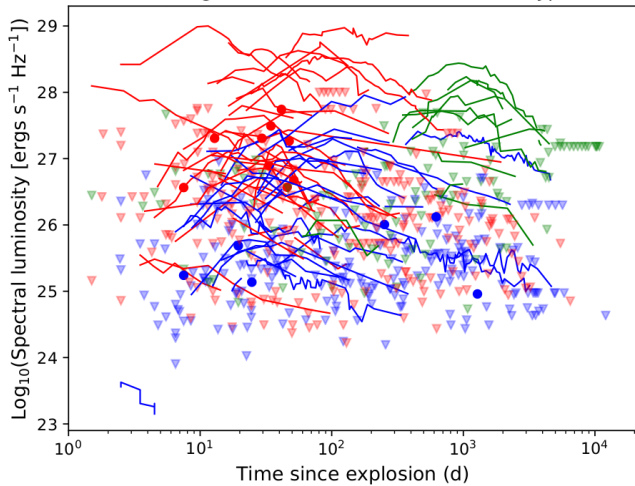


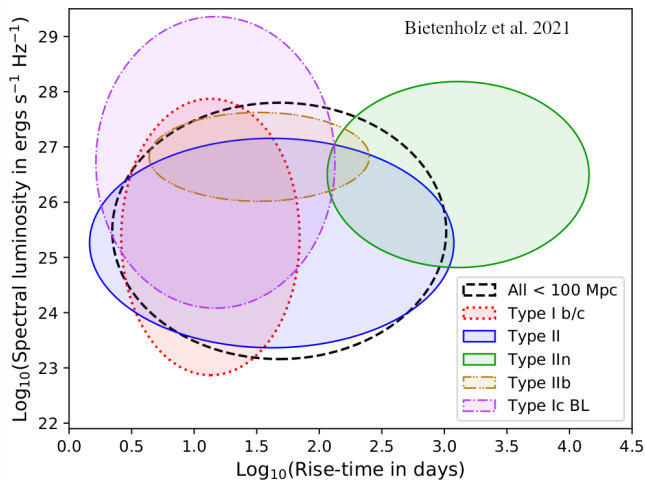
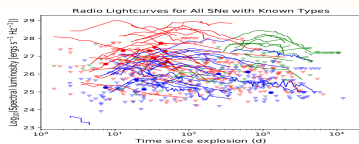


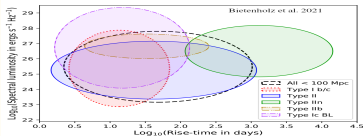
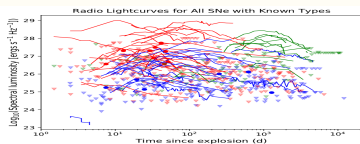




Radio Lightcurves for All SNe with Known Types



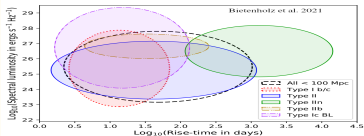
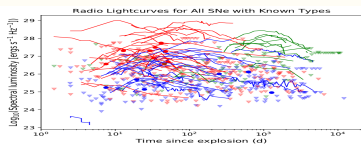




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0.0	+0.0	17 45 44	-29 00	3.5×2.5	S	100?	0.8?	Sgr A East
0.3	+0.0	17 46 15	-28 38	15×8	S	22	0.6	
0.9	+0.1	17 47 21	-28 09	8	C	18?	varies	
1.0	-0.1	17 48 30	-28 09	8	S	15	0.6?	
1.4	-0.1	17 49 39	-27 46	10	S	2?	?	
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3.7	-0.2	17 55 26	-25 50	14×11	S	2.3	0.65	
3.8	+0.3	17 52 55	-25 28	18	S?	3?	0.6	
4.2	-3.5	18 08 55	-27 03	28	S	3.2?	0.6?	
4.5	+6.8	17 30 42	-21 29	3	S	19	0.64	Kepler, SN1604,
4.8	+6.2	17 33 25	-21 34	18	S	3	0.6	
5.2	-2.6	18 07 30	-25 45	18	S	2.6?	0.6?	
5.4	-1.2	18 02 10	-24 54	35	C?	35?	0.2?	Milne 56
5.5	+0.3	17 57 04	-24 00	15×12	S	5.5	0.7	
5.9	+3.1	17 47 20	-22 16	20	S	3.3?	0.4?	
6.1	+0.5	17 57 29	-23 25	18×12	S	4.5	0.9	
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6.5	-0.4	18 02 11	-23 34	18	S	27	0.6	
7.0	-0.1	18 01 50	-22 54	15	S	2.5?	0.5?	
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## SNRcat - High Energy Observations of Galactic Supernova Remnants

Image (GAL alignment)	ID	names	context	age (years)	distance (kpc)	type	keV	MeV	GeV	TeV	CHANDRA	XMM
	G000.0+00.0	Sgr A East, CXOGC J174545.5-285829, 1FGL J1745.6-2900c, 2FGL J1745.6-2858, 1FHL J1745.6-2900, 3FGL J1745.6-2859c, 2FHL J1745.7-2900, 3FHL J1745.6-2900, HESS J1745-290, VER J1745-290	contains CXOGC J174545.5-285829 = the Cannonball = NS candidate and possibly PWN, close to BH Sgr A*	1200 - 10000	8	thermal composite	keV		GeV	TeV	CHANDRA	XMM
	G000.1-00.1	G0.13-0.12, 1FGL J1746.4-2849c, 2FGL J1746.6-2851c, 1FHL J1746.3-2851, 3FGL J1746.3-2851c, VER J1746-289	contains PWN G0.13-0.11			thermal & plerionic composite?	keV		GeV	TeV	CHANDRA	XMM
	G000.3+00.0	G0.33+0.04, G0.4+0.1		$\leq$ 500000	8.5	shell			GeV	TeV		
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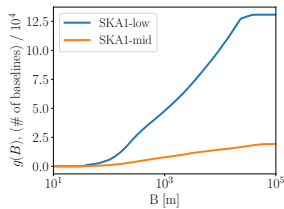
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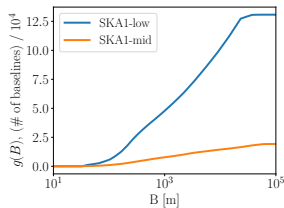
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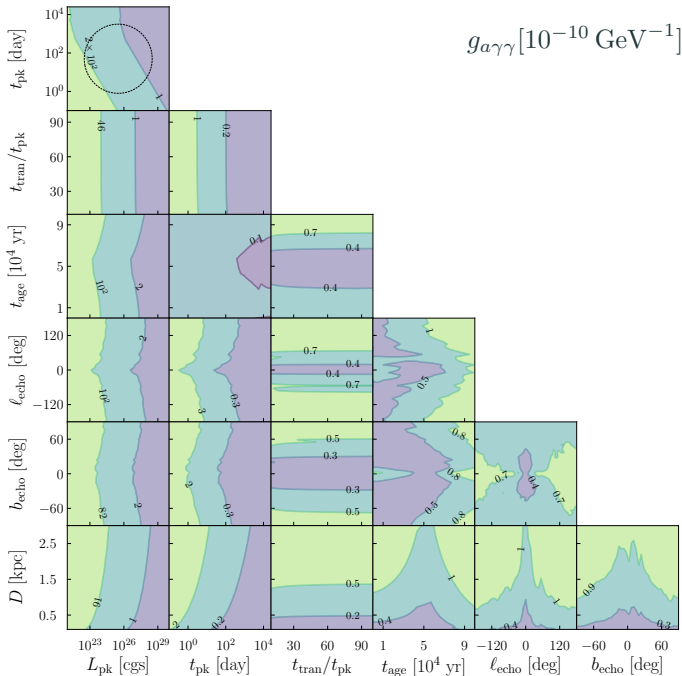
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“active” baselines



The ICM electron density can be modeled using the double- $\beta$  profile

$$n_{e,ICM} = n_{e,0} \left( f \left( 1 + \frac{r^2}{r_{c1}^2} \right)^{-\frac{3\beta}{2}} + (1 - f) \left( 1 + \frac{r^2}{r_{c2}^2} \right)^{-\frac{3\beta}{2}} \right)$$

- “Regular” clusters (Coma-like): single beta  $f = 1$
- “Cool-core” clusters (Perseus-like): double- $\beta$  to account for the core



Cluster	$N$ ( $10^{-25}$ g cm $^{-3}$ )	$r_s$ (arcsec)	$n_{e0}$ (cm $^{-3}$ )	$r_{c1}$ (arcsec)	$\beta$	$f$	$r_{c2}$ (arcsec)	$D_A$ Gpc
CL 0016+1609	0.10 $^{+0.14}_{-0.06}$	225 $^{+233}_{-96}$	1.40 $^{+0.18}_{-0.15}$ $\times 10^{-2}$	10.3 $^{+4.4}_{-2.5}$	0.761 $^{+0.031}_{-0.036}$	0.48 $^{+0.05}_{-0.05}$	47.8 $^{+3.8}_{-3.7}$	1.38 $^{+0.22}_{-0.22}$
Abell 0068	3.29 $^{+7.60}_{-2.31}$	70 $^{+62}_{-27}$	8.89 $^{+1.68}_{-1.78}$ $\times 10^{-3}$	–	0.693 $^{+0.026}_{-0.028}$	–	47.8 $^{+2.8}_{-3.0}$	0.63 $^{+0.16}_{-0.16}$
Abell 0267	2.02 $^{+3.04}_{-1.24}$	75 $^{+50}_{-31}$	1.17 $^{+0.11}_{-0.10}$ $\times 10^{-2}$	–	0.698 $^{+0.031}_{-0.030}$	–	40.9 $^{+2.8}_{-2.8}$	0.60 $^{+0.11}_{-0.09}$
Abell 0370	1.63 $^{+1.80}_{-0.57}$	51 $^{+21}_{-13}$	5.33 $^{+0.58}_{-0.40}$ $\times 10^{-3}$	–	0.740 $^{+0.035}_{-0.028}$	–	55.6 $^{+3.1}_{-2.6}$	1.08 $^{+0.19}_{-0.20}$
MS 0451.6-0305	0.27 $^{+0.16}_{-0.17}$	110 $^{+74}_{-45}$	1.26 $^{+0.09}_{-0.09}$ $\times 10^{-2}$	–	0.777 $^{+0.019}_{-0.019}$	–	34.5 $^{+1.1}_{-1.1}$	1.42 $^{+0.26}_{-0.26}$
MACS J0647.7+7015	12.01 $^{+16.07}_{-8.11}$	36 $^{+22}_{-13}$	2.19 $^{+0.34}_{-0.25}$ $\times 10^{-2}$	–	0.653 $^{+0.019}_{-0.017}$	–	19.9 $^{+1.2}_{-1.2}$	0.77 $^{+0.21}_{-0.18}$
Abell 0586	1.78 $^{+1.97}_{-1.05}$	102 $^{+40}_{-26}$	1.83 $^{+0.25}_{-0.21}$ $\times 10^{-2}$	–	0.627 $^{+0.017}_{-0.013}$	–	32.0 $^{+1.7}_{-1.4}$	0.52 $^{+0.15}_{-0.12}$
MACS J0744.8+3927	0.27 $^{+0.22}_{-0.22}$	94 $^{+102}_{-51}$	1.14 $^{+0.15}_{-0.15}$ $\times 10^{-1}$	3.4 $^{+0.6}_{-0.7}$	0.635 $^{+0.049}_{-0.039}$	0.93 $^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	25.8 $^{+1.7}_{-1.7}$	1.68 $^{+0.38}_{-0.38}$
Abell 0611	1.73 $^{+1.87}_{-0.60}$	64 $^{+15}_{-12}$	5.27 $^{+0.97}_{-1.00}$ $\times 10^{-2}$	2.8 $^{+0.4}_{-0.3}$	0.600 $^{+0.014}_{-0.008}$	0.66 $^{+0.08}_{-0.07}$	22.5 $^{+1.6}_{-1.2}$	0.78 $^{+0.18}_{-0.18}$
Abell 0665	0.18 $^{+0.14}_{-0.03}$	340 $^{+150}_{-66}$	9.13 $^{+1.34}_{-0.99}$ $\times 10^{-3}$	3.2 $^{+0.8}_{-0.5}$	0.730 $^{+0.015}_{-0.016}$	0.11 $^{+0.10}_{-0.08}$	64.4 $^{+1.7}_{-1.6}$	0.66 $^{+0.09}_{-0.10}$
Abell 0697	0.76 $^{+0.59}_{-1.38}$	93 $^{+66}_{-32}$	9.82 $^{+1.28}_{-0.68}$ $\times 10^{-3}$	–	0.584 $^{+0.016}_{-0.020}$	–	41.6 $^{+1.6}_{-1.9}$	0.88 $^{+0.30}_{-0.23}$
Abell 0773	1.22 $^{+1.38}_{-0.88}$	54 $^{+40}_{-19}$	8.04 $^{+0.64}_{-0.64}$ $\times 10^{-3}$	–	0.564 $^{+0.022}_{-0.022}$	–	40.2 $^{+2.2}_{-2.3}$	0.98 $^{+0.17}_{-0.14}$
ZW 3146	0.66 $^{+0.08}_{-0.05}$	121 $^{+4}_{-4}$	1.70 $^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$ $\times 10^{-1}$	4.4 $^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	0.668 $^{+0.005}_{-0.004}$	0.881 $^{+0.004}_{-0.003}$	25.5 $^{+0.7}_{-0.4}$	0.83 $^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$
MS 1054-0321	0.04 $^{+0.08}_{-0.02}$	666 $^{+571}_{-259}$	6.15 $^{+0.71}_{-0.56}$ $\times 10^{-3}$	–	1.791 $^{+0.148}_{-0.209}$	–	83.7 $^{+4.9}_{-7.3}$	1.33 $^{+0.28}_{-0.26}$
MS 1137.5+6625	1.73 $^{+1.40}_{-0.40}$	16 $^{+9}_{-8}$	1.26 $^{+0.11}_{-0.11}$ $\times 10^{-2}$	–	0.667 $^{+0.044}_{-0.043}$	–	14.2 $^{+3.3}_{-3.3}$	2.85 $^{+0.63}_{-0.63}$
MACS J1149.5+2223	0.74 $^{+0.50}_{-0.50}$	110 $^{+49}_{-21}$	8.53 $^{+0.89}_{-0.85}$ $\times 10^{-3}$	–	0.673 $^{+0.020}_{-0.022}$	–	42.8 $^{+2.7}_{-2.7}$	0.80 $^{+0.16}_{-0.16}$
Abell 1413	0.47 $^{+0.58}_{-0.47}$	121 $^{+51}_{-47}$	3.66 $^{+0.65}_{-0.49}$ $\times 10^{-2}$	6.5 $^{+1.5}_{-1.3}$	0.531 $^{+0.018}_{-0.014}$	0.76 $^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	39.3 $^{+4.5}_{-4.4}$	0.78 $^{+0.18}_{-0.18}$
CL J1226.9+3332	4.09 $^{+9.41}_{-3.58}$	46 $^{+58}_{-19}$	3.01 $^{+0.49}_{-0.44}$ $\times 10^{-2}$	–	0.715 $^{+0.034}_{-0.038}$	–	15.8 $^{+1.3}_{-1.3}$	1.08 $^{+0.42}_{-0.28}$
MACS J1311.0-0310	7.59 $^{+17.81}_{-7.09}$	19 $^{+9}_{-7}$	3.93 $^{+0.55}_{-0.55}$ $\times 10^{-2}$	–	0.613 $^{+0.022}_{-0.020}$	–	9.3 $^{+0.7}_{-0.7}$	1.38 $^{+0.37}_{-0.37}$
Abell 1689	2.68 $^{+1.20}_{-1.16}$	75 $^{+19}_{-19}$	4.054 $^{+0.36}_{-0.26}$ $\times 10^{-2}$	21.7 $^{+0.9}_{-0.9}$	0.873 $^{+0.039}_{-0.041}$	0.87 $^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	104.9 $^{+5.1}_{-5.5}$	0.65 $^{+0.09}_{-0.09}$
RX J1347.5-1145	4.57 $^{+1.06}_{-0.86}$	47 $^{+5}_{-5}$	2.81 $^{+0.16}_{-0.15}$ $\times 10^{-1}$	3.9 $^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	0.631 $^{+0.009}_{-0.008}$	0.942 $^{+0.004}_{-0.003}$	22.9 $^{+1.8}_{-1.4}$	0.96 $^{+0.06}_{-0.06}$
MS 1358.4+6245	0.58 $^{+0.19}_{-0.19}$	90 $^{+26}_{-18}$	9.62 $^{+0.78}_{-0.78}$ $\times 10^{-2}$	3.3 $^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	0.675 $^{+0.016}_{-0.015}$	0.934 $^{+0.001}_{-0.003}$	37.2 $^{+1.9}_{-1.9}$	1.13 $^{+0.30}_{-0.30}$
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MACS J1423.8+2504	1.83 $^{+0.02}_{-0.07}$	33 $^{+1}_{-1}$	1.60 $^{+0.02}_{-0.08}$ $\times 10^{-1}$	4.2 $^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	0.721 $^{+0.012}_{-0.008}$	0.975 $^{+0.001}_{-0.001}$	36.7 $^{+0.9}_{-0.9}$	1.49 $^{+0.08}_{-0.08}$
Abell 1914	5.79 $^{+2.60}_{-1.85}$	81 $^{+14}_{-11}$	1.72 $^{+0.13}_{-0.08}$ $\times 10^{-2}$	6.6 $^{+0.6}_{-0.6}$	0.899 $^{+0.007}_{-0.012}$	0.008 $^{+0.018}_{-0.008}$	68.3 $^{+0.7}_{-1.0}$	0.44 $^{+0.04}_{-0.05}$
Abell 1995	0.07 $^{+0.06}_{-0.04}$	359 $^{+205}_{-117}$	9.35 $^{+0.74}_{-0.56}$ $\times 10^{-3}$	31.2 $^{+3.0}_{-3.5}$	1.298 $^{+0.062}_{-0.096}$	0.462 $^{+0.033}_{-0.033}$	83.5 $^{+5.7}_{-7.1}$	1.19 $^{+0.14}_{-0.14}$
Abell 2111	0.47 $^{+2.74}_{-0.38}$	172 $^{+357}_{-104}$	5.99 $^{+1.05}_{-0.75}$ $\times 10^{-3}$	–	0.600 $^{+0.024}_{-0.025}$	–	50.4 $^{+3.8}_{-3.8}$	0.64 $^{+0.20}_{-0.17}$
Abell 2163	0.26 $^{+0.12}_{-0.12}$	390 $^{+87}_{-77}$	1.09 $^{+0.07}_{-0.07}$ $\times 10^{-2}$	4.0 $^{+1.3}_{-1.3}$	0.560 $^{+0.004}_{-0.004}$	0.022 $^{+0.037}_{-0.022}$	66.8 $^{+0.9}_{-0.9}$	0.52 $^{+0.04}_{-0.04}$
Abell 2204	0.92 $^{+0.30}_{-0.15}$	120 $^{+13}_{-18}$	2.01 $^{+0.12}_{-0.09}$ $\times 10^{-1}$	7.5 $^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	0.710 $^{+0.031}_{-0.025}$	0.960 $^{+0.003}_{-0.004}$	67.4 $^{+1.8}_{-1.8}$	0.61 $^{+0.06}_{-0.06}$
Abell 2218	1.02 $^{+0.70}_{-0.60}$	110 $^{+22}_{-22}$	7.02 $^{+0.66}_{-0.66}$ $\times 10^{-3}$	–	0.739 $^{+0.017}_{-0.017}$	–	63.3 $^{+1.4}_{-2.1}$	0.66 $^{+0.11}_{-0.11}$
RX J1716.4+6708	0.34 $^{+3.38}_{-0.39}$	146 $^{+545}_{-49}$	1.94 $^{+0.61}_{-0.40}$ $\times 10^{-2}$	–	0.589 $^{+0.042}_{-0.035}$	–	128.7 $^{+2.0}_{-2.0}$	1.04 $^{+0.53}_{-0.53}$
Abell 2259	0.65 $^{+0.54}_{-0.54}$	141 $^{+155}_{-25}$	9.29 $^{+2.97}_{-1.71}$ $\times 10^{-3}$	–	0.560 $^{+0.025}_{-0.024}$	–	41.0 $^{+3.9}_{-2.5}$	0.58 $^{+0.29}_{-0.25}$
Abell 2261	1.36 $^{+0.85}_{-1.41}$	68 $^{+26}_{-17}$	4.16 $^{+0.53}_{-0.63}$ $\times 10^{-2}$	10.0 $^{+1.9}_{-1.7}$	0.628 $^{+0.025}_{-0.022}$	0.77 $^{+0.04}_{-0.05}$	37.8 $^{+2.5}_{-2.5}$	0.73 $^{+0.20}_{-0.13}$
MS 2053.7-0449	0.28 $^{+0.22}_{-0.22}$	40 $^{+22}_{-22}$	9.22 $^{+0.92}_{-0.92}$ $\times 10^{-3}$	–	0.522 $^{+0.042}_{-0.042}$	–	10.8 $^{+1.0}_{-1.7}$	2.48 $^{+0.44}_{-0.44}$

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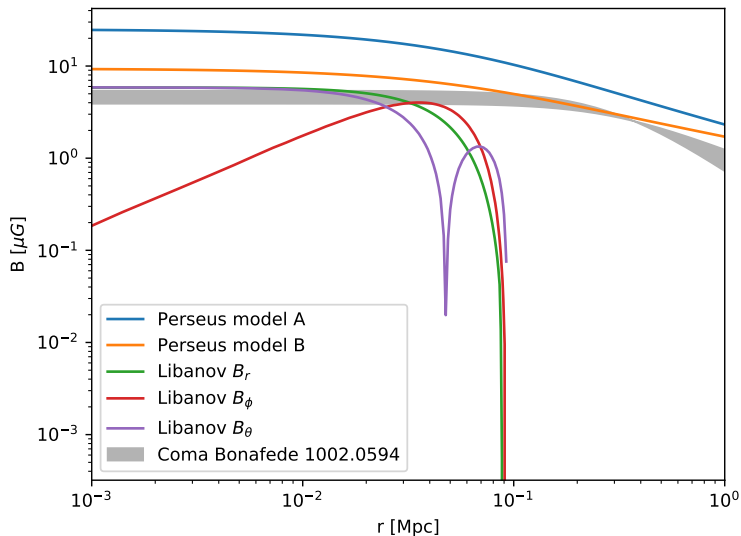
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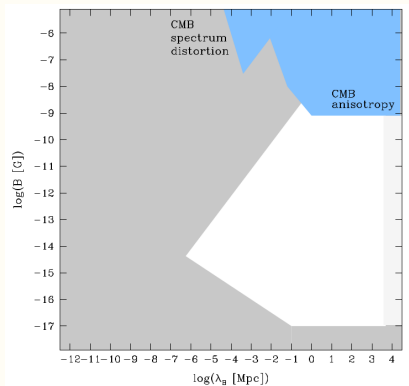
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$$\begin{aligned} P_{a\gamma} &= \frac{(2\Delta)^2}{k^2} \sin^2\left(\frac{kx}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{g_{a\gamma}^2 B^2}{g_{a\gamma}^2 B^2 + (m_a^2 - m_\gamma^2)^2 / (4\omega^2)} \sin^2\left(\left(\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{g_{a\gamma}^2 B^2 + \frac{(m_a^2 - m_\gamma^2)^2}{4\omega^2}}\right) x\right), \end{aligned}$$

- “Baseline”: intergalactic medium (IGM)
- “Baseline specs”:  $B, n_e$

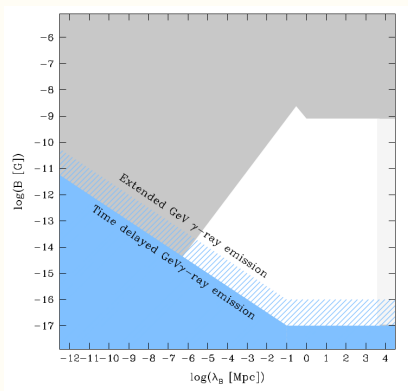
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Note that in the oscillation formula,

$$P_0 = \frac{g_{a\gamma}^2 B^2}{g_{a\gamma}^2 B^2 + (m_a^2 - m_\gamma^2)^2 / (4\omega^2)} \sin^2 \left( \left( \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{g_{a\gamma}^2 B^2 + \frac{(m_a^2 - m_\gamma^2)^2}{4\omega^2}} \right) z \right),$$

$(g_{a\gamma} B)$  shows up hand-in-hand.

- So what we bound in IGM is actually on  $(g_{a\gamma} B)$ .
- In this work, we take common benchmark  $B_{IGM} \sim \text{nG}$ .
- Future detection of  $B_{IGM} < \text{nG}$  will rescale the bounds on  $g_{a\gamma}$  as  $B_{IGM}/\text{nG}$ .

*c.f. Durrer and Neronov 2013, Vachaspati 2010*



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Simulation shows at  $z < 1$

$$\text{Lyman-}\alpha \begin{cases} \text{underdense patches, a.k.a. cosmic voids} & \sim 30 - 50\% \text{ vol.} \\ \text{2D structures, a.k.a. sheets} & \sim 30 - 50\% \text{ vol.} \end{cases}$$

- $n_e \approx 1.6 \times 10^{-8} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  (cosmic voids)
- $n_e \approx 3.0 \times 10^{-8} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  (sheets)

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# Late vs Early

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- Production runs:

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## Other data sets (priors)

- SH0ES:

$$-2 \ln \mathcal{L}_{SH0ES} = \sum_{i=1}^{19} \left( \frac{m_{10,i}^{SH0ES} - m_{10}}{\sigma_i^{SH0ES}} \right)^2$$

- TDCOSMO:

$$-2 \ln \mathcal{L}_{TDCOSMO} = \left( \frac{H_0^{TD} - H_0}{\sigma^{TD}} \right)^2$$

- BAO: (BOSS DR12 CMASS and LOWZ; 6dFGS, MGS)

$$-2 \ln \mathcal{L}_{BAO} = \sum_{i,j} \Delta_i C_{ij}^{BAO} \Delta_j$$

$$\Delta_i = (Q_i^{BAO} - Q^{\Lambda CDM}(z_i; \Omega_\Lambda, H_0, r_s^{drag}))$$

- Planck

$$-2 \ln \mathcal{L}_{Pl} = \left( \frac{r_s^{Pl} - r_s}{\sigma^{Pl}} \right)^2$$