SEARCHING FOR AXIONS WITH METAMATERIALS THE ALPHA HALOSCOPE

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AXION-PHOTON COUPLING



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Metamaterials

Composite materials with different properties than their single parts



²M. Lawson *et al.*, PRL 123 (2019) 14, 141802.



³P.A. Belov *et al.*, J. Electromagn. Waves. Appl. 16, 8 (2002).

TM₁₁₀ mode structure

Behavior as an effective medium Field distortion near wires might complicate readout



⁴A. Millar *et al.*, PRD 107 (2023) 5, 055013.

PROs

- Cryogenic
- Solenoidal magnet
- Much larger volume than cavities

CONs

Behind on R&D



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 E/E_{max}

1.0

AXION LONGITUDINAL PLASMA HALOSCOPE

Searching for dark matter with plasma haloscopes

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POWER IN THE DETECTOR

Quality factor *Q* System dampening

$$Q = \frac{\omega \mathcal{U}}{P_{\text{loss}}} = \frac{\omega}{c \, \Gamma_p}$$

$$P_s = \left(\frac{\rho_a}{m_a}g_{a\gamma}^2\right)\kappa B_e^2 Q \mathcal{G} V$$

Geometry factor *G* Normalization of stored energy

$$\mathcal{G} = \frac{1}{a_0^2 g_{a\gamma}^2 B_e^2 V Q^2} \int |\mathbf{E}|^2 \,\mathrm{d}V$$

Volume V

GEOMETRY FACTOR

For single-mode systems

$$\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{C} = rac{1}{\overline{B}_e^2 V^2} \left(\int B_e \mathcal{E}_i \,\mathrm{d}V
ight)^2$$

For multi-mode systems

SINGLE CAVITY MODE BREAKS DOWN MORE THAN ONE ANTENNA NEEDED

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QUALITY FACTOR

- Tightly bound to design $\hookrightarrow Q = Q(\omega_p) = Q(\omega_p(r))$ \hookrightarrow Theory \checkmark Simulation \checkmark Experiment
- *Q* ~ some 1000s
 - $\,\,\hookrightarrow\,\, imes 10$ than previously quoted
 - $\hookrightarrow \times 3$ more if cryogenic
- Wire losses > surface
 - \hookrightarrow Asymptotically $P_s \propto V$



⁵R. Balafendiev *et al.*, PRB 106, 075106 (2022).

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⁶M. Wooten *et al.*, Annalen der Physik (2022) 00479.



TUNING



⁴A. Millar *et al.*, PRD 107 (2023) 5, 055013.

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- Smaller freq. range
- More practical
- Few % agreement





⁷Data: N. Kowitt, Simulation: R. Balafendiev (see poster).

DISCOVERY REACH

ALPHA PHASE I

- 2 years run
- (5÷40) GHz
- HEMT amplifiers
- Single scan (see [8])

ALPHA PHASE II

- 2 years run
- (5÷45) GHz
- Quantum limited
- Single scan (see [8])

 $(Q\sim 10^4,\,B\sim 10\,{\rm T},\,V\approx 0.3\,{\rm m}^3)$

⁸A. Gallo Rosso *et al.*, arXiv:2210.16095.



CONCLUSIONS

- Overall design validation
 - Theory/simulation/experiment
 - ✓ Feasible tuning
- Pathfinder on the way
 - ✓ First data in 2026
- KSVZ and DFSZ at reach
 - ✓ 2+2 yrs full scale experiment



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