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Colliding light, tau $g - 2$, and axion dark matter

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Today: two pioneering Letters

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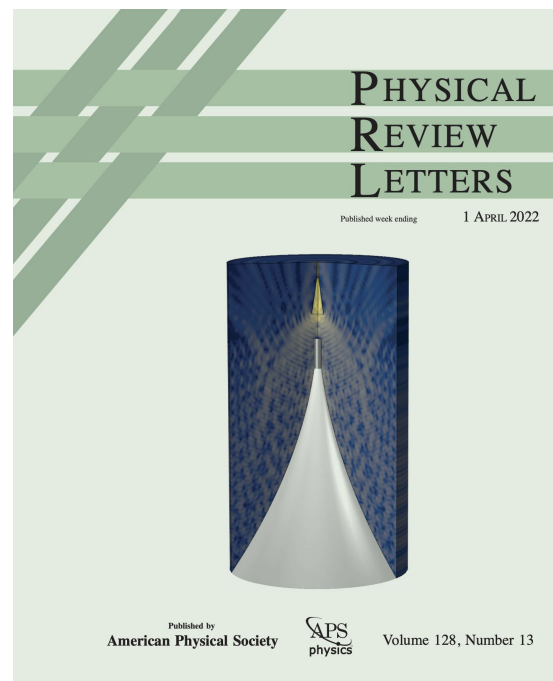
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Colliding light for tau g – 2
Bridge nuclear physics with
new physics via precision

ATLAS (JL Editor) 2204.13478

Accepted by PRL, Editors' Suggestion



BREAD: meV axion detector
Bridge astroparticle physics
with quantum technology

JL, Dona et al 2111.12103

PRL 2022, On the Cover & Editors' Suggestion

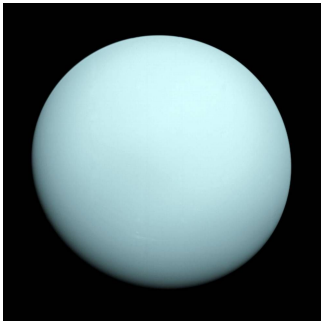
PROLOGUE

A TALE OF TRANSFORMATIVE DISCOVERY SCIENCE

Discovery as new probe

Spectacular predictivity

Paradigm shift

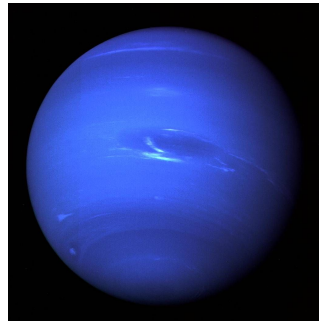


NASA/JPL-Caltech

Uranus

Herschel 1781

Planet never seen before
Measure for 65 years

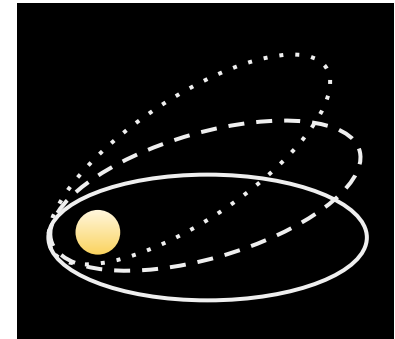


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Neptune

Le Verrier, Galle, d'Arrest 1846

Discover on same night
Within 1° of prediction



Mercury

Le Verrier 1859, Einstein 1915

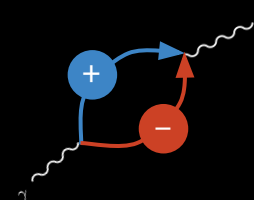
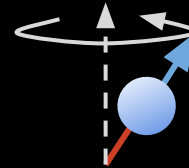
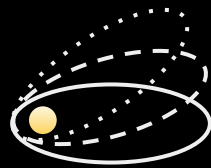
43 arcseconds/century anomaly
Null search for Planet Vulcan

LESSON

Precision measurements revolutionise science

GR: SPACETIME IS DYNAMICAL

*Discover new planets: unchanged physical laws
But planet known since antiquity transformative*



QFT: VACUUM IS DYNAMICAL

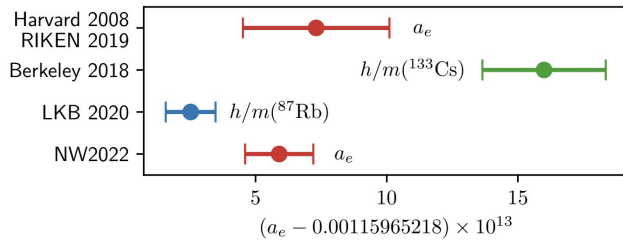
*Per mille precession of electron: no new particles
But groundbreaking evidence of quantum loops*

The ordinary harboured extraordinary surprises

Persistent widespread indirect evidence for new physics

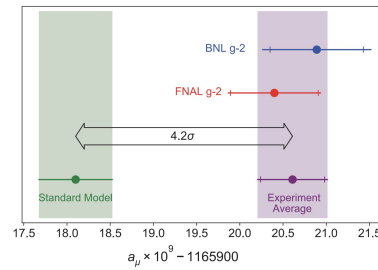
Electron $g - 2$ (2.5σ)

[PRL 2023, FIPs2022, Science 2018]



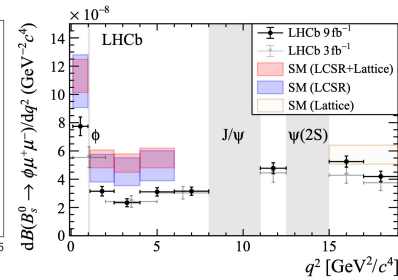
Muon $g - 2$ (4.2σ)

[PRL 2021, Phys Rept 2020]



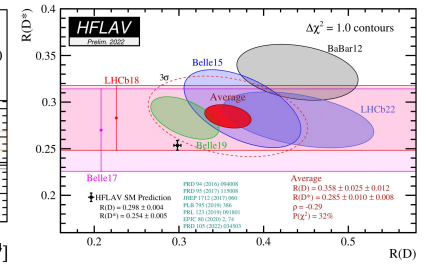
$B_s \rightarrow \phi \mu \mu$ (3.6σ)

[PRL 2021]



$B \rightarrow D \tau \nu$ (3.2σ)

[HFLAV 2022]

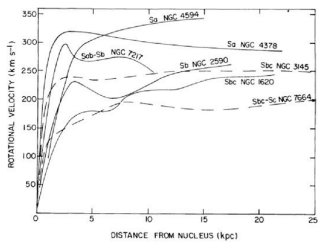


LEPTON ANOMALIES \uparrow

Several laboratories across all flavours
New particles via quantum fluctuations

\downarrow DARK MATTER

Sub-galactic to cosmological scales
New particles via gravitational force



Galaxy rotation

[ApJ 1978]



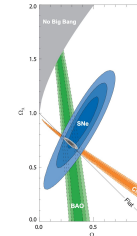
Lensing

[ESA/Hubble & NASA]



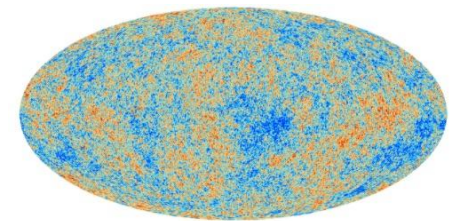
Bullet cluster

[NASA/CXC/CfA/STScI/ESO WFI]



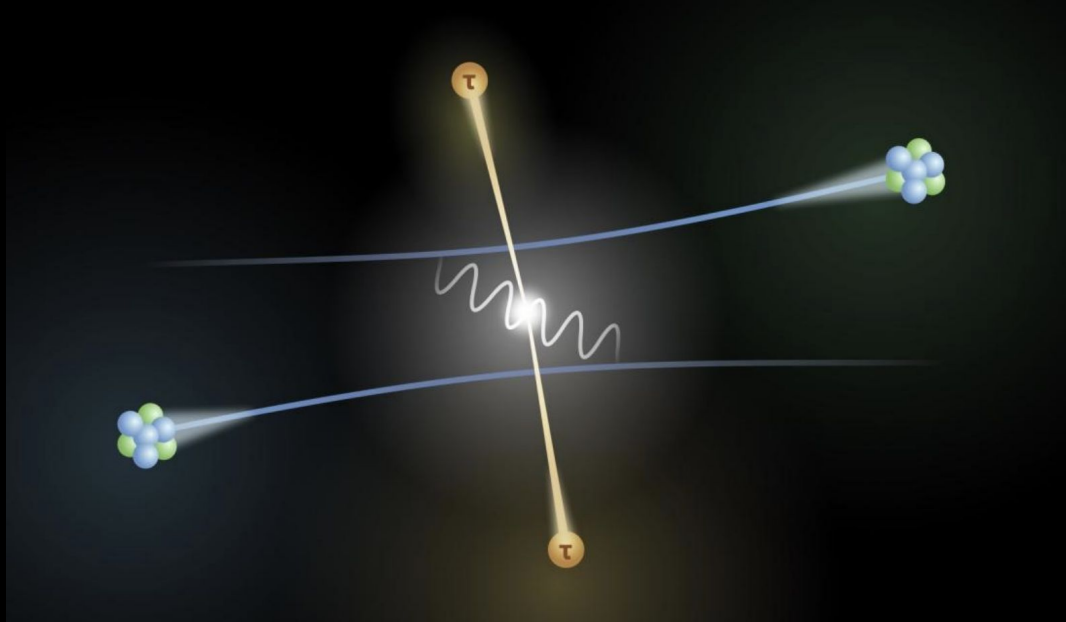
BAO

[ApJ 2008]



Cosmic microwave bkg

[ESA/Planck]



OUTLINE

PART 1

Colliding light for tau $g - 2$

PART 2

BREAD axion detector R&D

April 2021: $g - 2$ recaptures international attention

The New York Times

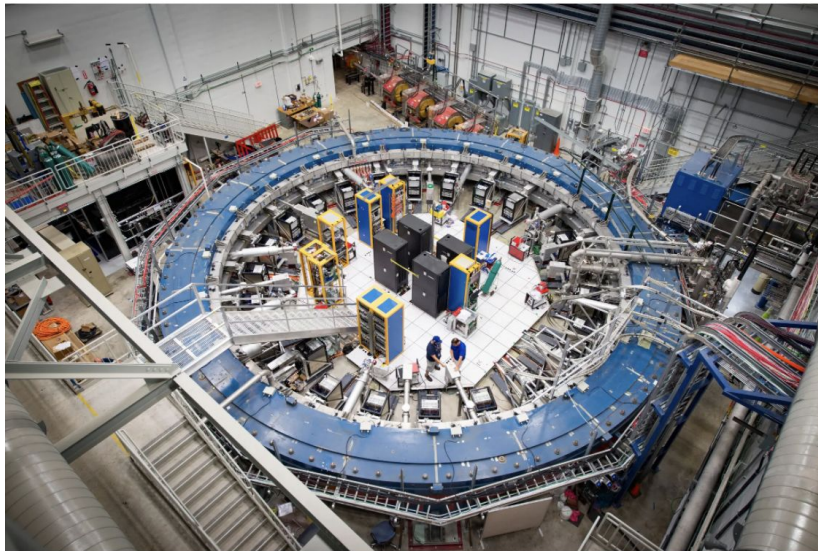
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OUT THERE

A Tiny Particle's Wobble Could Upend the Known Laws of Physics

Experiments with particles known as muons suggest that there are forms of matter and energy vital to the nature and evolution of the cosmos that are not yet known to science.

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The Muon $g-2$ ring, at the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory in Batavia, Ill., operates at minus 450 degrees Fahrenheit and studies the wobble of muons as they travel through the magnetic field. Reidar Hahn/Fermilab, via U.S. Department of Energy

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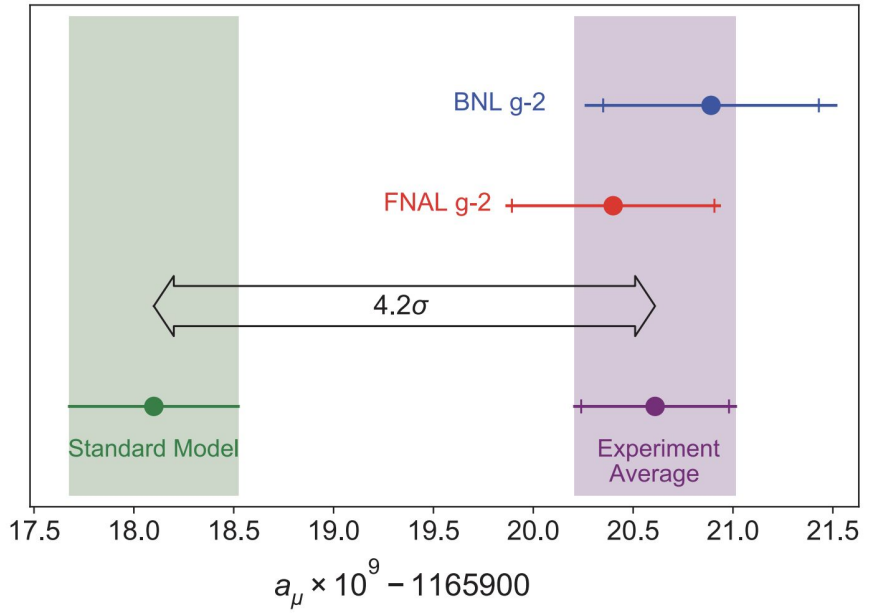
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Is the standard model broken? Physicists cheer major muon result

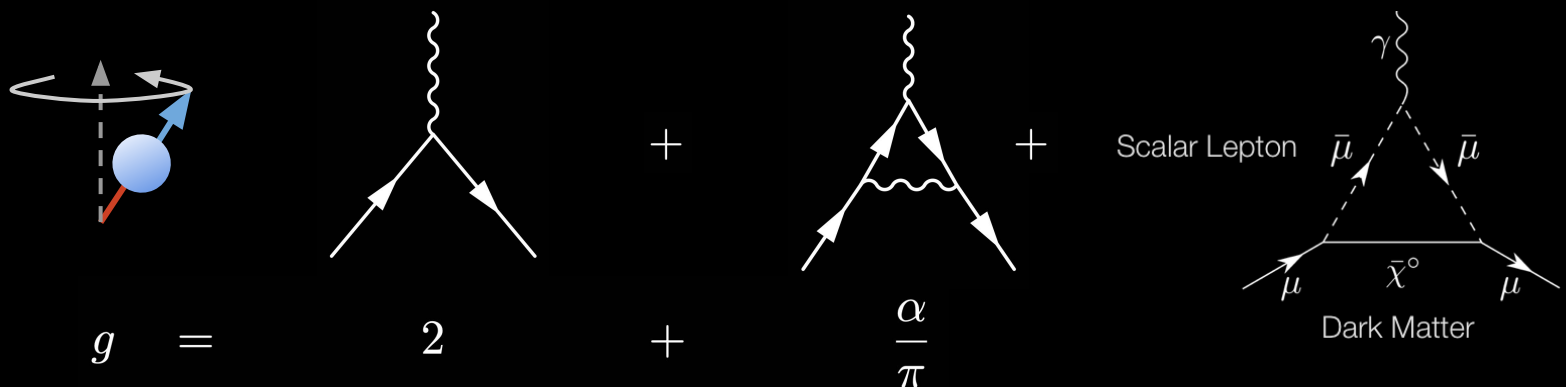
The muon's magnetic moment is larger than expected – a hint that new elementary particles are waiting to be discovered.



Muon $g-2$ Experiment [PRL 2021]

$g - 2$: foundational test of QFT

“How does light interact with matter?”



Dirac (1928)

Schwinger (1948)

New particles?

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_f \cdot \mathbf{B} = \frac{g_f e}{2m_f} \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{B}$$



Electron & muon magnetic moments

Extraordinary precision: scientific triumph!

Electron $g - 2$: known to 13 decimal places

Fan et al [[PRL 2023](#)], Morel et al [[Nature 2022](#)], Parker et al [[Science 2018](#)]

$$a_e (\text{exp}) = 0.001\,159\,652\,180\,59(13)$$

$$a_e (\text{pred}) = 0.001\,159\,652\,181\,61(23)$$

$$a_\mu (\text{exp}) = 0.001\,165\,920\,61(41)$$

$$a_\mu (\text{pred}) = 0.001\,165\,918\,10(43)$$

Muon $g - 2$: known to 10 decimal places

FNAL Muon $g-2$ [[PRL 2021](#)], Muon $g-2$ theory [[Phys Rept 2020](#)], Lattice $g-2$ [[Nature 2021](#)]

$$\text{Definition: } a = (g - 2)/2$$

What about tau $g - 2$?

SHOCKING EXPERIMENTAL IGNORANCE!

Pressing problem: PDG value from 2004

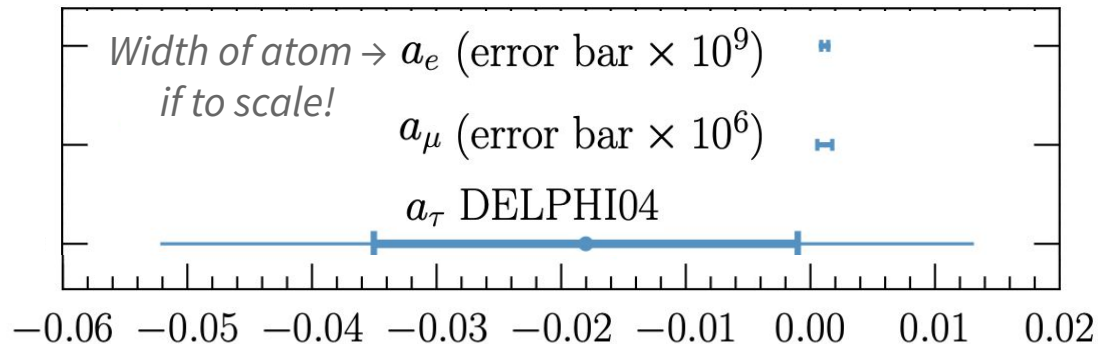
$$a_{\tau}^{\text{exp}} = -0.018 (17)$$

$$a_{\tau, \text{SM}}^{\text{pred}} = 0.001 177 21 (5)$$

a_{exp} : DELPHI [[hep-ex/0406010](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ex/0406010)], $a_{\text{SM pred}}$: Eidelman, Passera [[hep-ph/0701260](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0701260)]

Not even testing 70 year old 1-loop QED

$$\alpha/2\pi = 0.001162 \quad \text{Schwinger [1948]}$$



Pressing & interesting open problem

Huge uncertainty
 ⇒ huge room for new physics

$$\delta a_\ell \sim m_\ell^2 / M_{\text{SUSY}}^2$$

$$m_\tau^2 / m_\mu^2 \sim 280$$

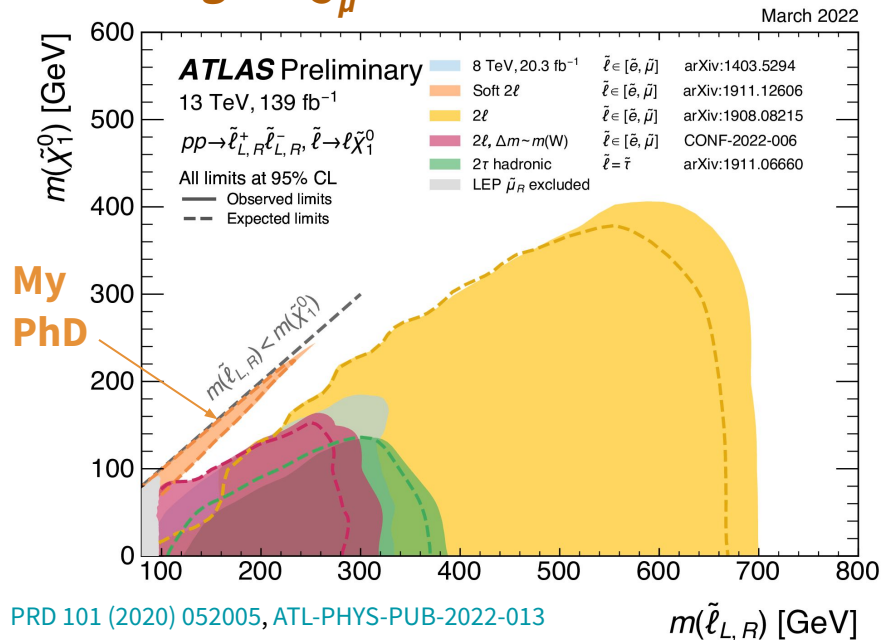
Martin & Wells [hep-ph/0103067]

280x more sensitive
 to new physics
 than muon $g - 2$

No shortage of e & μ $g - 2$ model building

Martin, Wells [hep-ph/0103067]; Czarnecki, Marciano [hep-ph/0102122]; Pospelov [0811.1030]; Cahill-Rowley et al [1407.4130]; Ajaib et al [1505.05896]; Allanach et al [1511.07447]; Han et al [1511.05162]; Batell et al [1606.04943]; Di Chiara et al [1704.06200]; Poh, Raby [1705.07007]; Li et al [1808.02424]; Liu et al [1810.11028]; Dutta, Mimura [1811.10209]; Mohlabeng [1902.05075]; Endo, Wen [1906.08768]; Bauer et al [1908.00008]...

No shortage of $g_\mu - 2$ motivated searches



PRD 101 (2020) 052005, ATL-PHYS-PUB-2022-013

Tau $g - 2$: no consensus how to progress

Future electron-positron colliders (Belle-II/CLIC/ILC/FCC-ee)

Eidelman et al [1601.07987]; Chen, Wu [1803.00501]; Köksal et al [1804.02373]
 Howard et al [1810.09570]; Köksal [2104.01003]; Crivellin et al [2111.10378]

Future electron-proton colliders (LHeC/FCC-eh)

Köksal [1809.01963]; Gutiérrez-Rodríguez et al [1903.04135]

Proposed proton fixed target & bent crystals

Fomin et al [1810.06699]; Fu et al [1901.04003]

THINK DIFFERENT

Invent new heavy-ion strategy



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covering particles, fields, gravitation, and cosmology

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New physics and tau $g - 2$ using LHC heavy ion collisions

1908.05180 (PRD)

Lydia Beresford and Jesse Liu
Phys. Rev. D **102**, 113008 – Published 22 December 2020

Creative theory paper overcame status quo

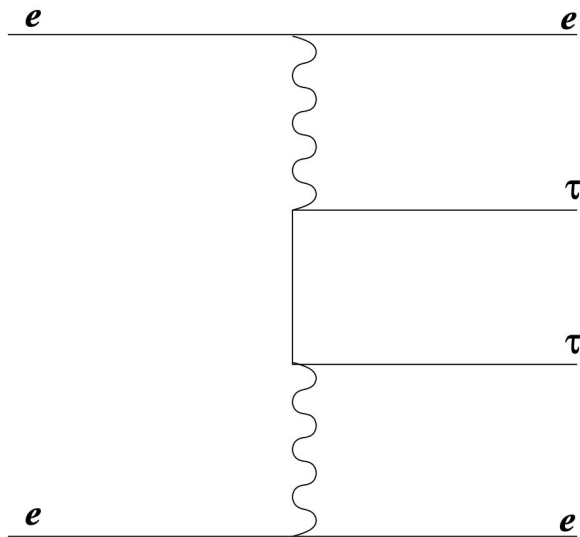
Tau $g - 2$ measurable without lepton collider

Heavy ions interesting for BSM via precision

Lydia Beresford → now DESY Staff funded by €1.5m Helmholtz Young Investigator Grant
Leading group with Savannah Clawson (DESY Fellow) & Weronika Stanek (PhD student)

How can we see $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau$ at hadron colliders?

Best constraint of tau $g - 2$



Large Electron Positron collider

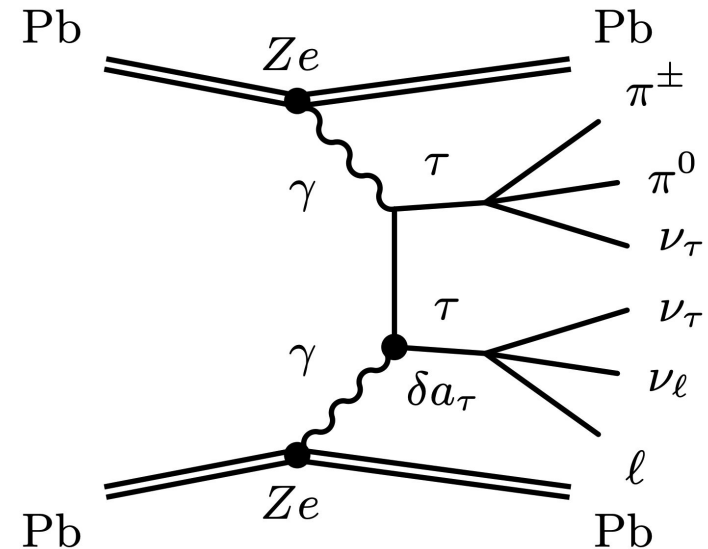
$$\sigma \sim 400 \text{ pb}$$

\Rightarrow 200 000 events all years

DELPHI [EPJC 35 (2004) 159]

Also L3 [PLB 1997], OPAL [ZPC 1993]

Proceed analogously @ LHC?



Not even observed at hadron collider

$$\sigma \sim Z^4 \sim 500\,000 \text{ nb} \quad (Z_{\text{Pb}} = 82)$$

\Rightarrow 1 million events per month

Beresford & JL [1908.05180]

Also de Aguilera et al [PLB 1991], Dyndal et al [2002.05503]



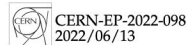
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CMS-HIN-21-009



CERN-EP-2022-098
2022/06/13

Observation of τ lepton pair production in ultraperipheral lead-lead collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV

The CMS Collaboration

Abstract

We present an observation of photon-photon production of τ lepton pairs in ultraperipheral lead-lead collisions. The measurement is based on a data sample with an integrated luminosity of $404 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$ collected by the CMS experiment at a nucleon-nucleon center-of-mass energy of 5.02 TeV. The $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$ process is observed for $\tau^+\tau^-$ events with a muon and three charged hadrons in the final state. The measured fiducial cross section is $\sigma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-) = 4.8 \pm 0.6$ (stat) ± 0.5 (syst) μb , in agreement with leading-order QED predictions. Using $\sigma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-)$, we estimate a model-dependent value of the anomalous magnetic moment of the τ lepton of $a_\tau = 0.001^{+0.055}_{-0.089}$ at a 68% confidence level.

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CMS 2206.05192

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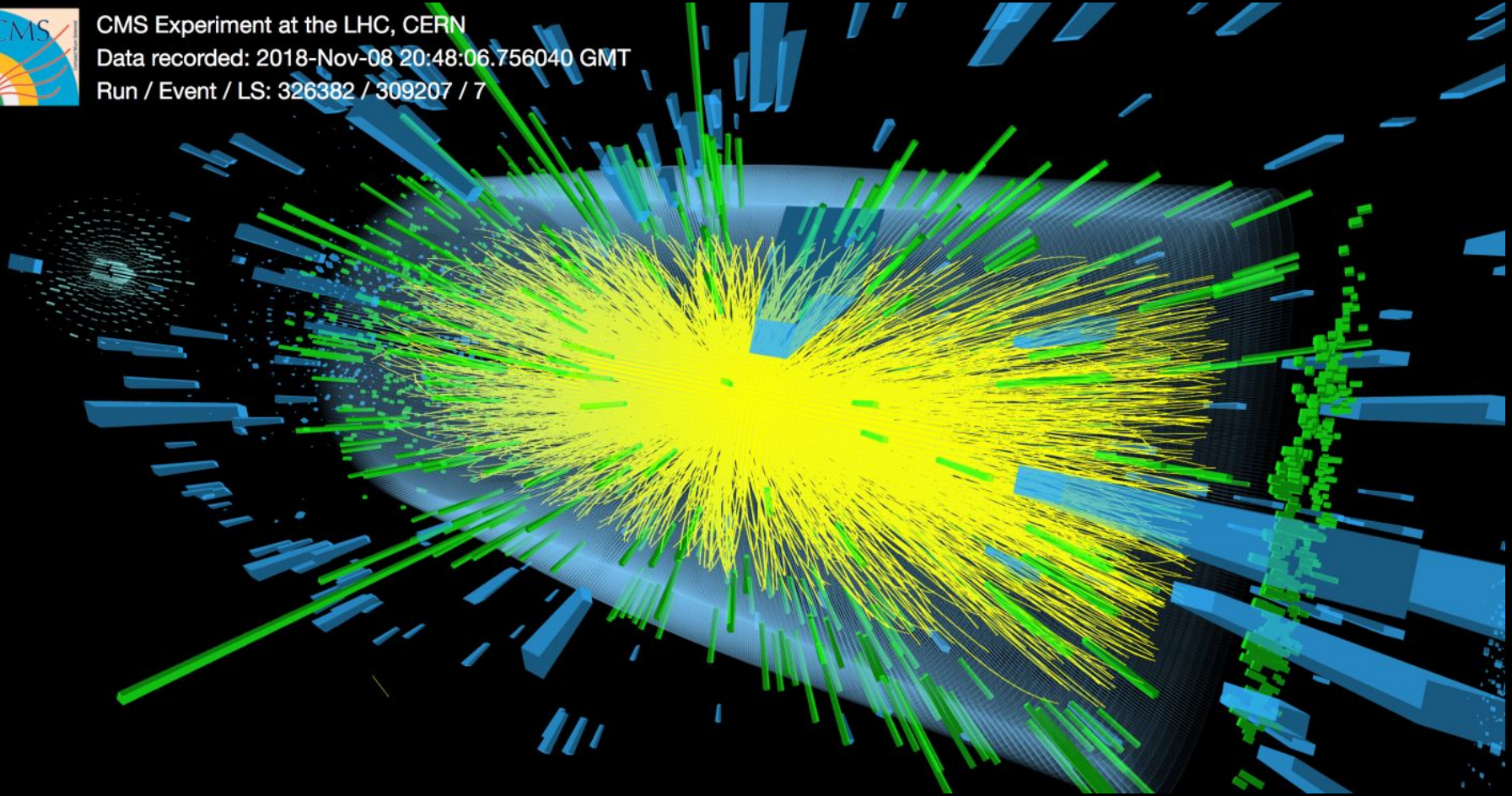
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Heavy-ion collisions: what usually comes to mind

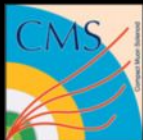


CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN
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CMS [PHO-EVENTS-2018-009]

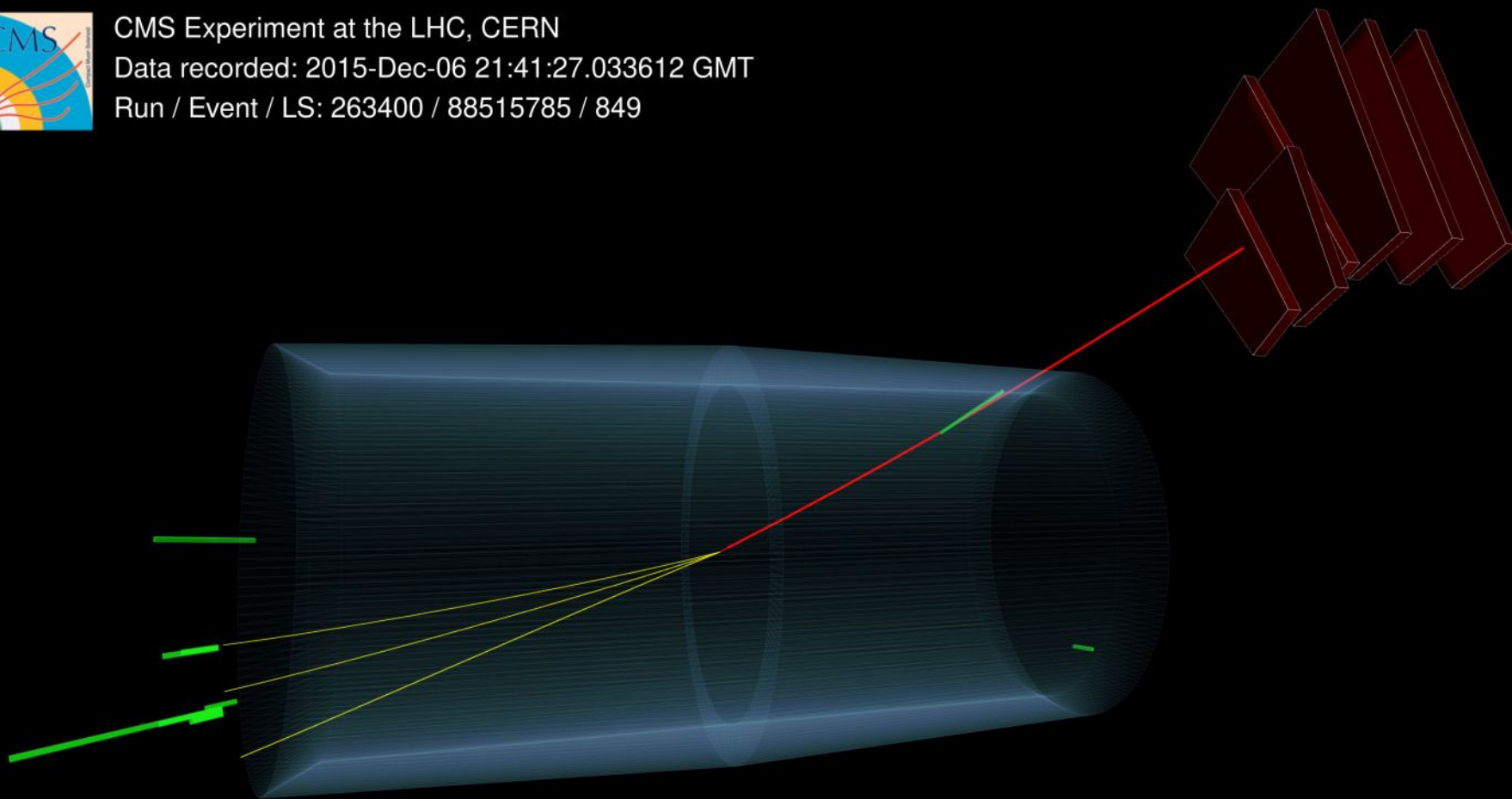
Heavy-ion collisions: breathtakingly clean



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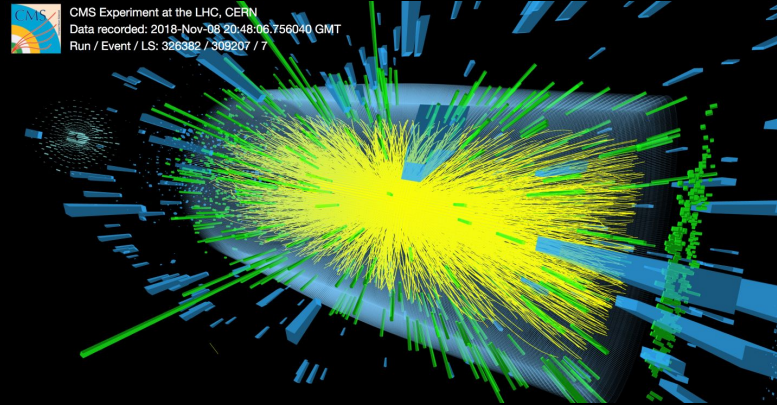
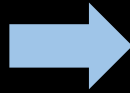
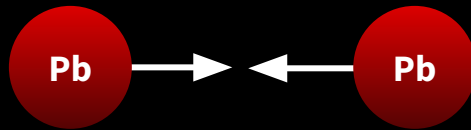
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[CMS News Briefing]

Colliding light at LHC

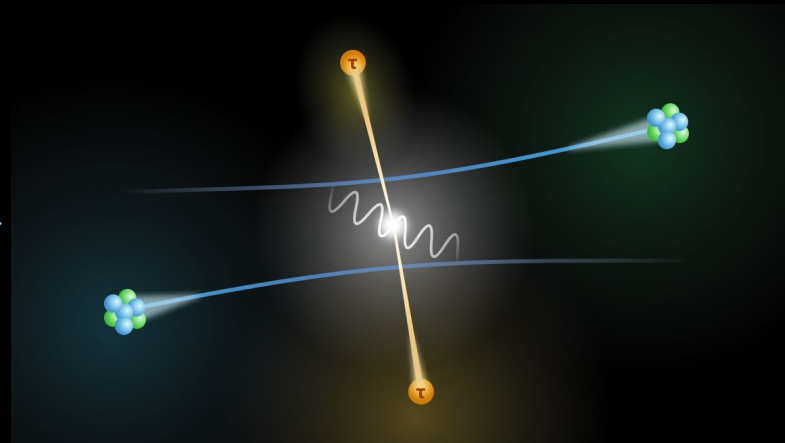
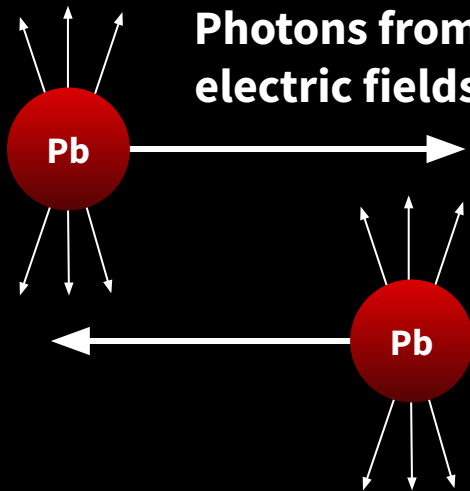
Head-on collisions



**Quark
gluon
plasma**

Busza et al review
[1802.04801]

**Photons from
electric fields**



**LHC as
photon
collider**

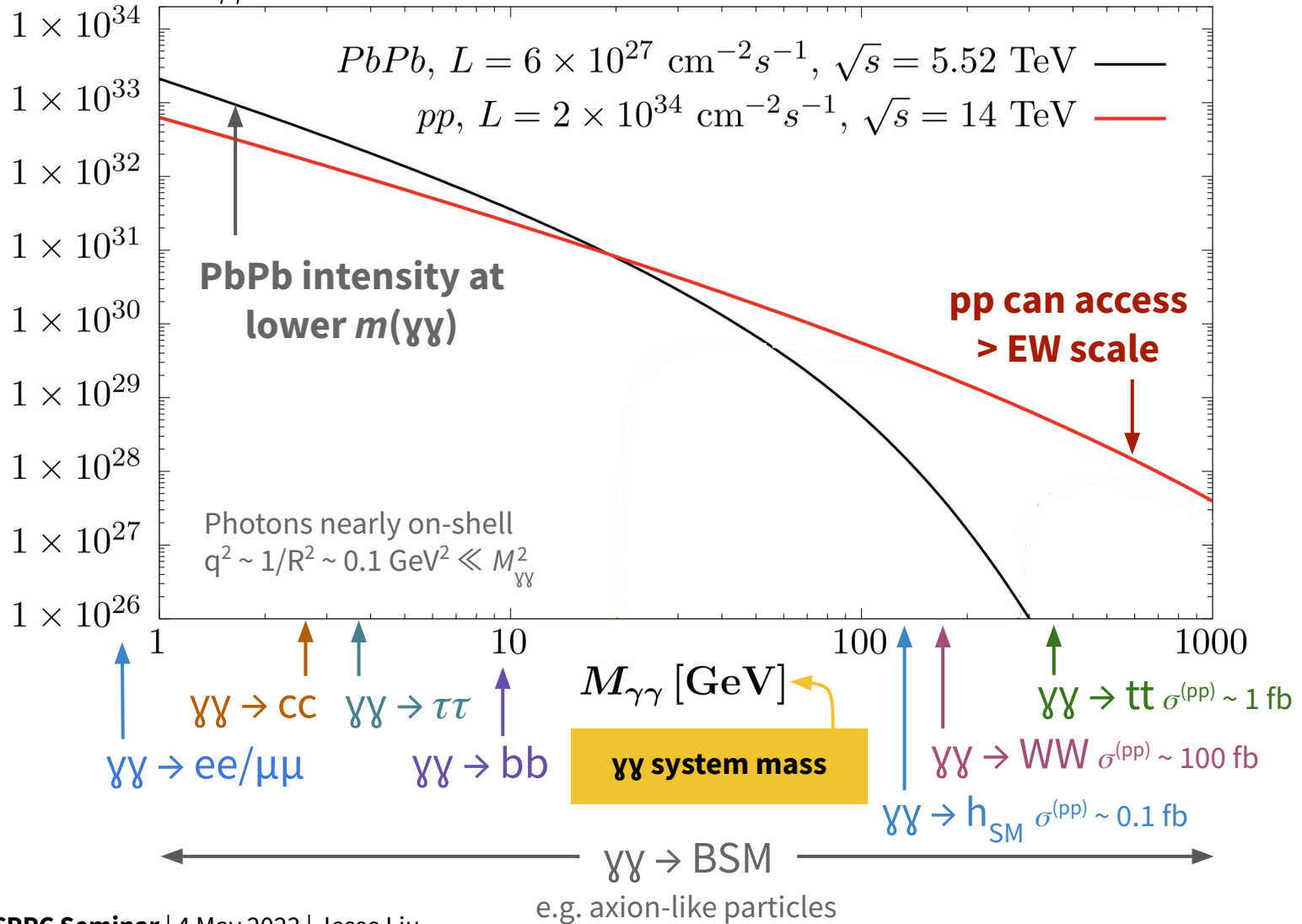
Bruce et al review
[1812.07688]

LHC is a broadband $\gamma\gamma$ collider

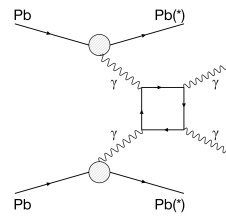
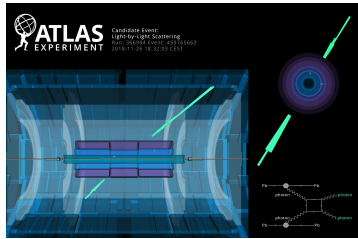
$\gamma\gamma$ luminosity

$$\frac{dL_{\text{eff}}}{dM_{\gamma\gamma}} [\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}\text{GeV}^{-1}]$$

Bruce et al [1812.07688]



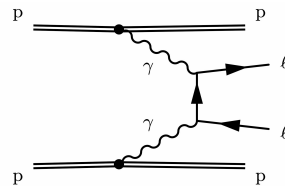
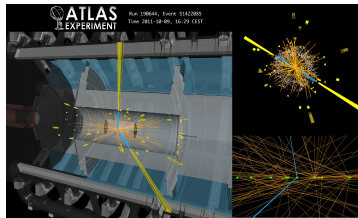
Recent breakthroughs open rich science program



Observation of light-by-light scattering in ultraperipheral Pb+Pb collisions with the ATLAS detector

Probe photon self-coupling & axion-like particles

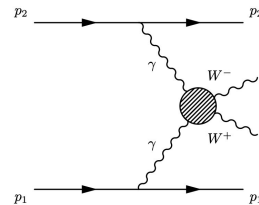
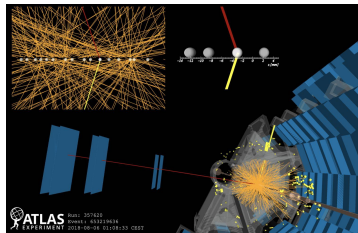
PRL 123 (2019) 052001



Observation and measurement of forward proton scattering in association with lepton pairs produced via the photon fusion mechanism at ATLAS

Pioneer forward proton scattering at weak scale

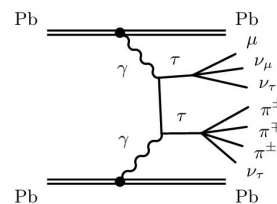
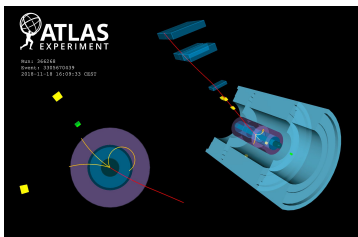
PRL 125 (2020) 261801 (JL Editor)



Observation of photon-induced W^+W^- production in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV using the ATLAS detector

Create electroweak mass states via photon fusion

PLB 816 (2021) 136190



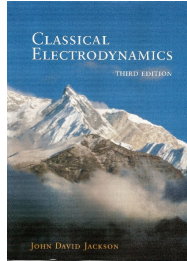
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First tau $g - 2$ measurement in 2 decades

2204.13478, Accepted PRL (JL Editor)

Theory: how to calculate $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau$ cross-sections

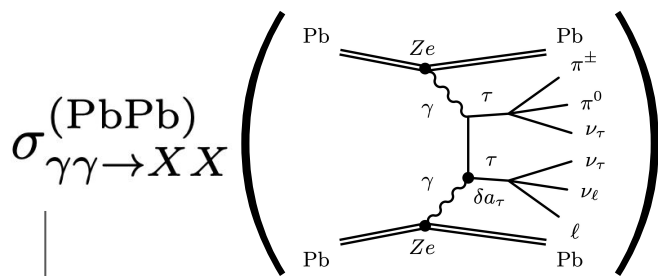
Beresford & JL [1908.05180]



Classical field theory of relativistic charge

Add Jackson §15.4 into MadGraph 2.6.5 Fortran software

$$n(x) = \frac{2Z^2\alpha}{x\pi} \left\{ \bar{x}K_0(\bar{x})K_1(\bar{x}) - \frac{\bar{x}^2}{2} [K_1^2(\bar{x}) - K_0^2(\bar{x})] \right\}$$

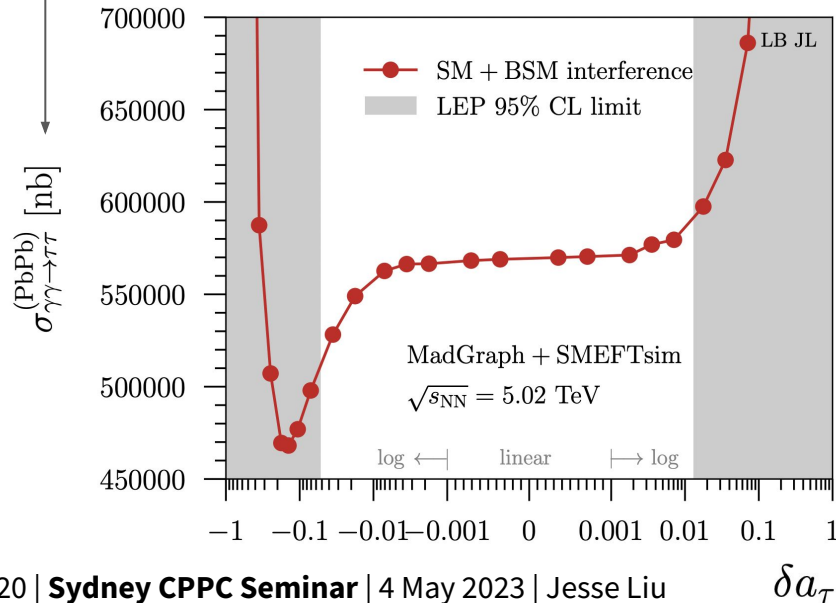


Monte Carlo

Photon flux

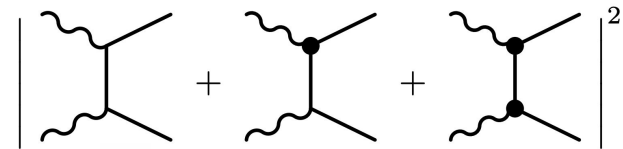
Quantum process

$$\int dx_1 dx_2 n(x_1)n(x_2) \sigma_{\gamma\gamma \rightarrow XX}$$



Vary a_τ using effective field theory

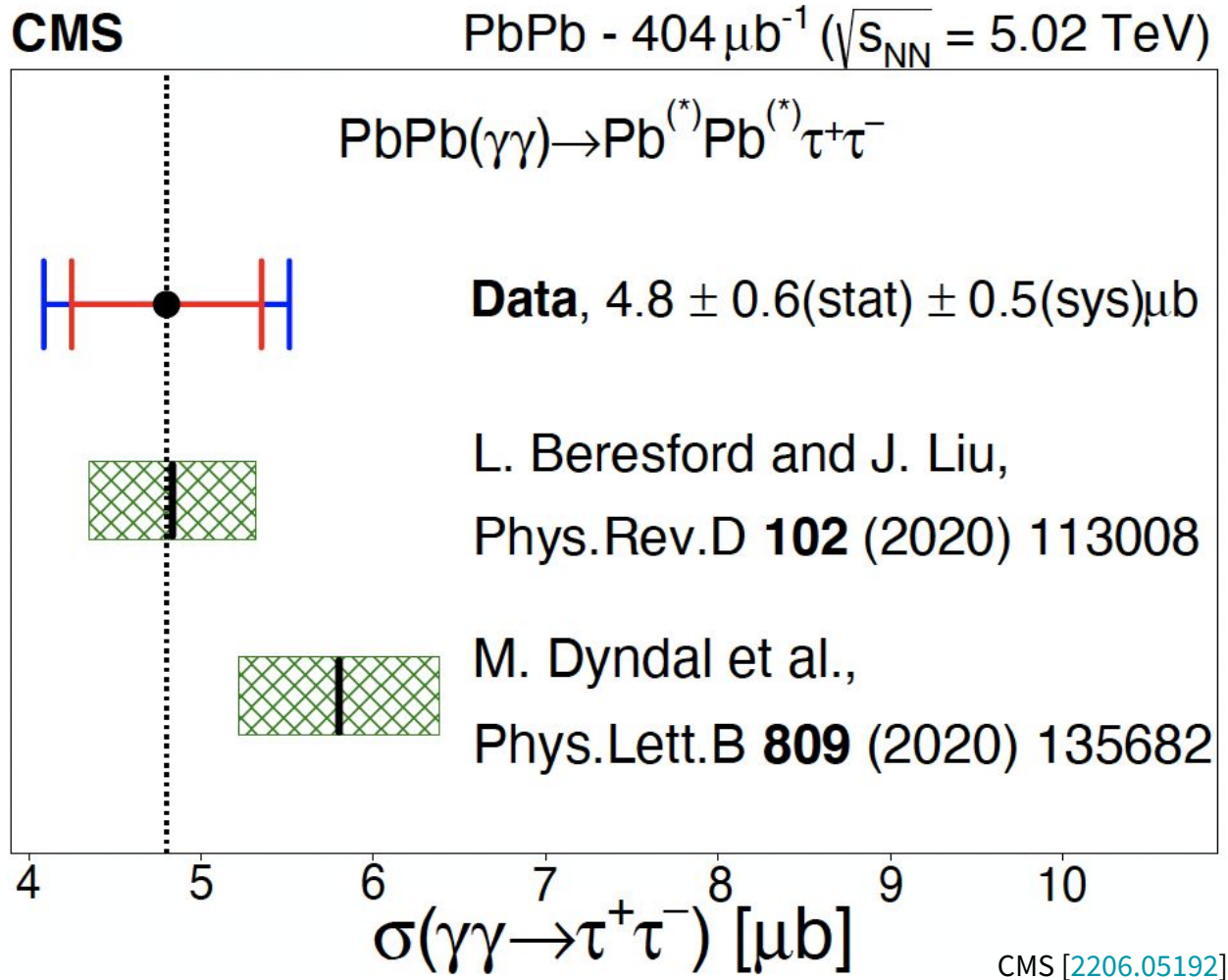
SMEFT: Grzadkowski et al [1008.4884]; Brivio, Jiang, Trott [1709.06492]



$$\bullet = \delta a_\tau \sim \frac{C}{\Lambda^2} (\bar{L}_\ell \sigma^{\mu\nu} \ell_R) H (\partial_\mu A_\nu)$$

Complex $C \Rightarrow$ non-zero CP-violating electric dipole moment δd_τ

First PbPb \rightarrow Pb($\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau$)Pb measurement

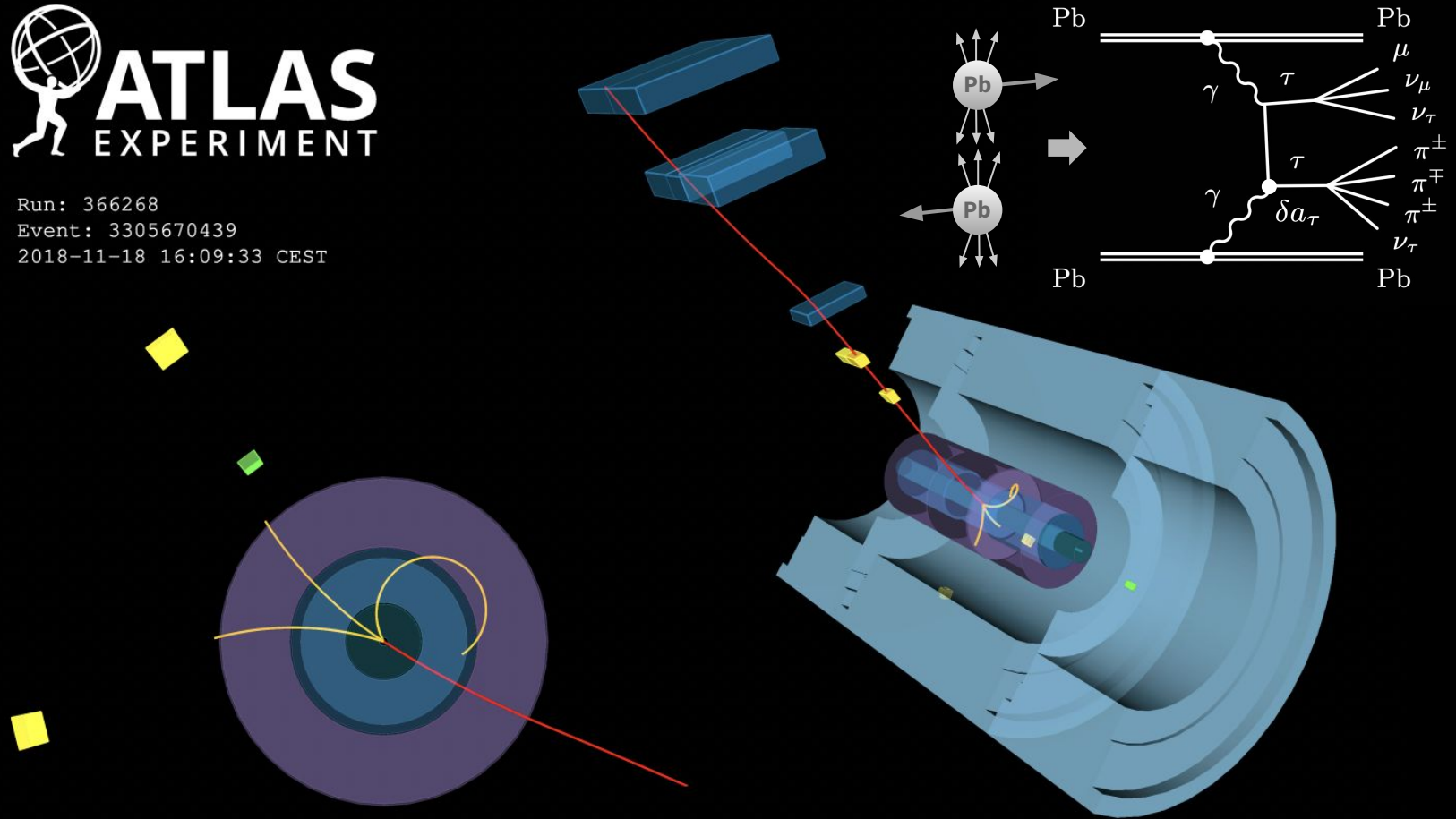


Remarkable result using 2015 data 🤗 ...and just getting started!

ATLAS observation of $\text{PbPb} \rightarrow \text{Pb} (\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau) \text{Pb}$



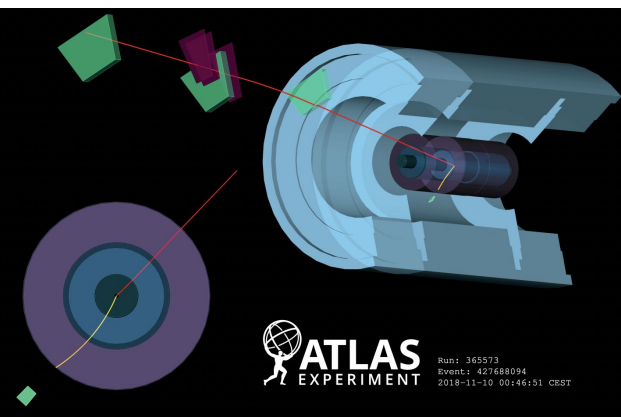
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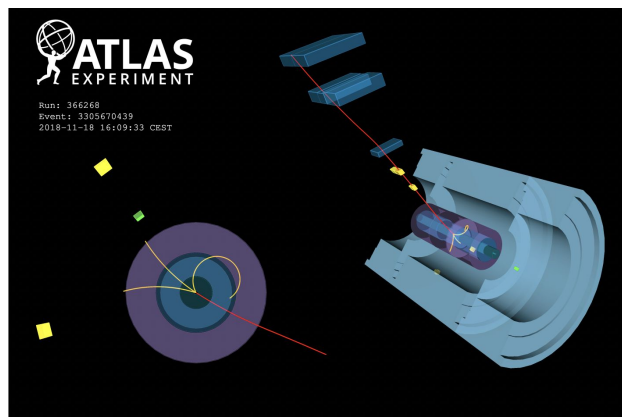
↑ All charged-particle tracks above 100 MeV are shown

1 month to double dataset | 10^4 smaller pileup vs pp | $p_T(\mu) > 4$ GeV trigger

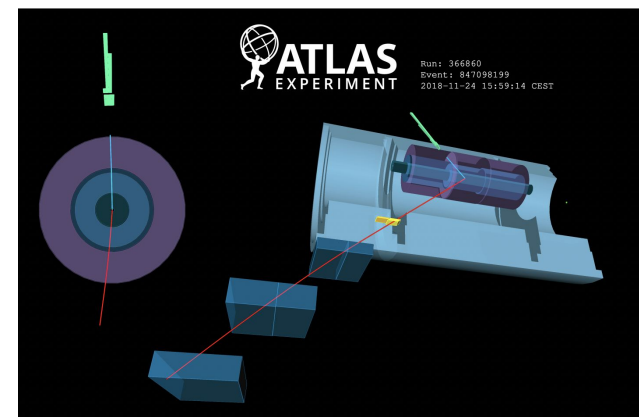
ATLAS analyzes 2018 data in our 3 proposed channels



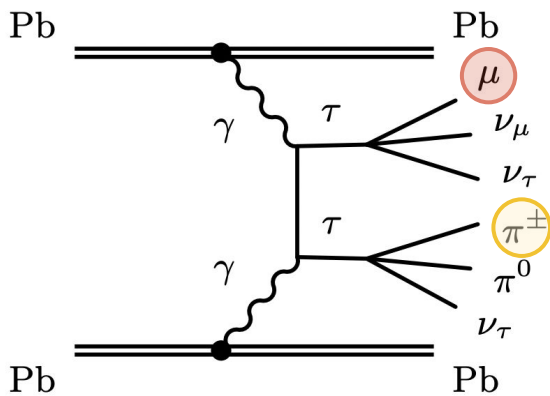
1 muon + 1 track ($\mu 1T$ -SR)



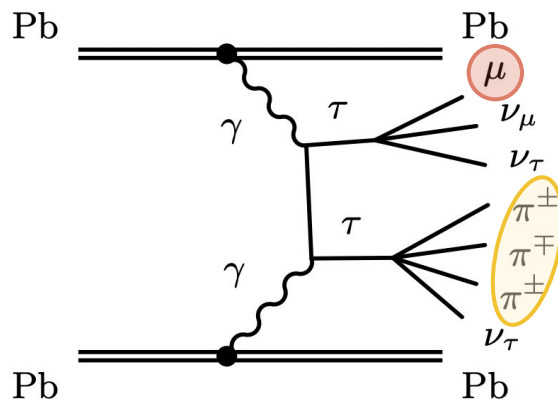
1 muon + 3 tracks ($\mu 3T$ -SR)



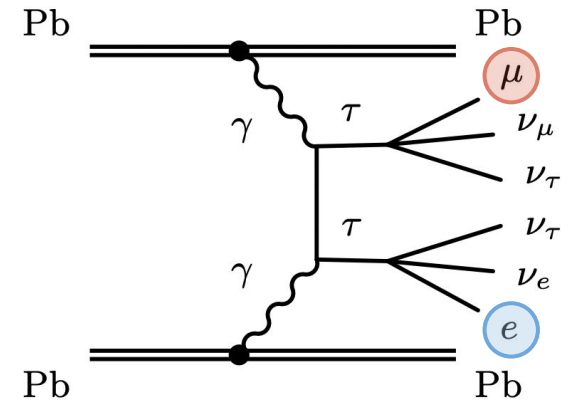
1 muon + 1 electron (μe -SR)



$N_{\text{obs}} = 532, N_{\text{bkg}} = 84 \pm 19$
S/B = 5.3



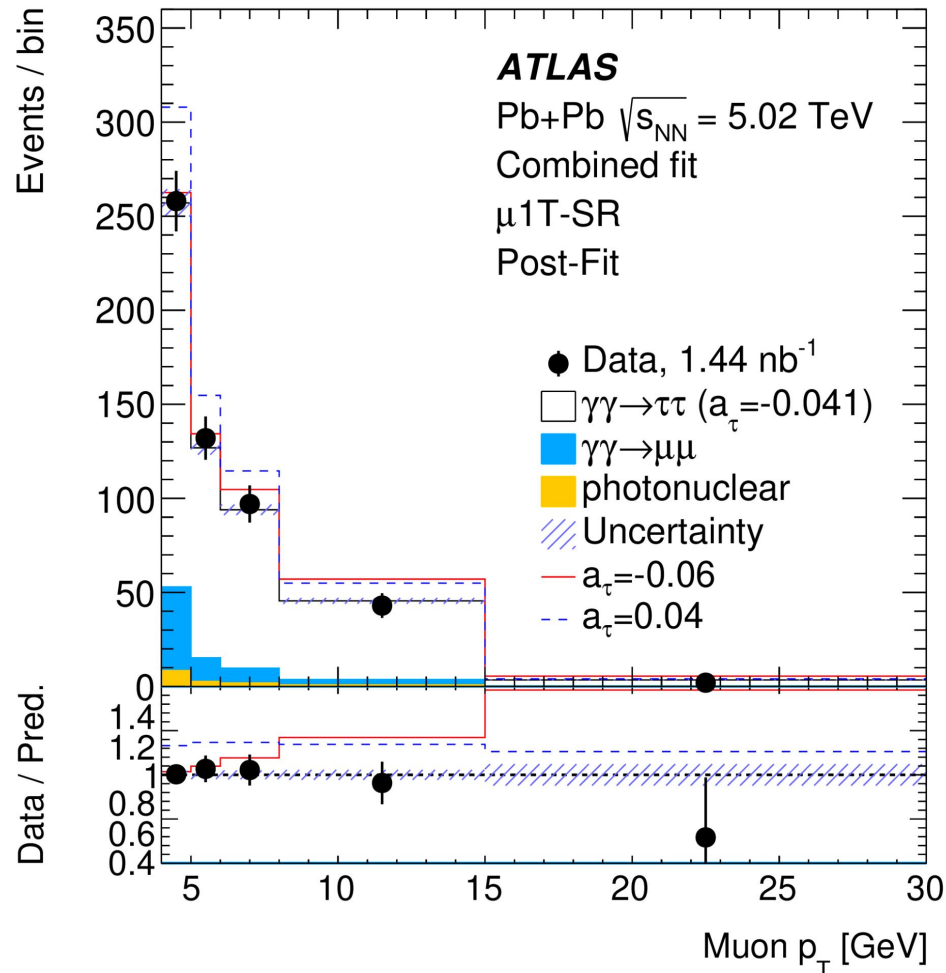
$N_{\text{obs}} = 85, N_{\text{bkg}} = 10 \pm 3$
S/B = 7.5



$N_{\text{obs}} = 39, N_{\text{bkg}} = 2.8 \pm 0.7$
S/B = 13

ATLAS (JL Editor) 2204.13478, Accepted PRL

Identify muons down to 4 GeV detectability threshold



Muons lose ~3 GeV of energy before reaching muon chambers

Use $\mu\mu$ events to control photon flux theory modelling systematics

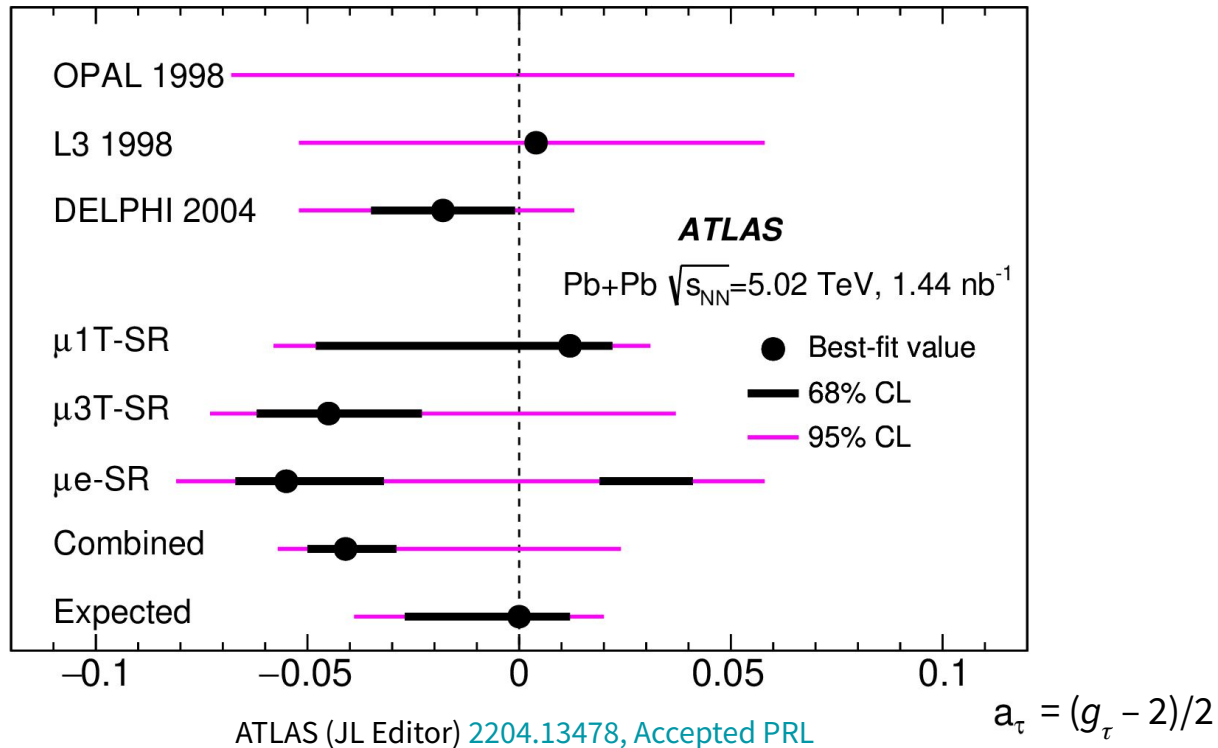
ATLAS (JL Editor) 2204.13478, Accepted PRL

Groundbreaking results competitive with LEP

First lab measurement of tau $g - 2$ in 2 decades

First time taus analyzed in heavy ion collisions

Heavy ions enabled 5% measurement of QED g_τ

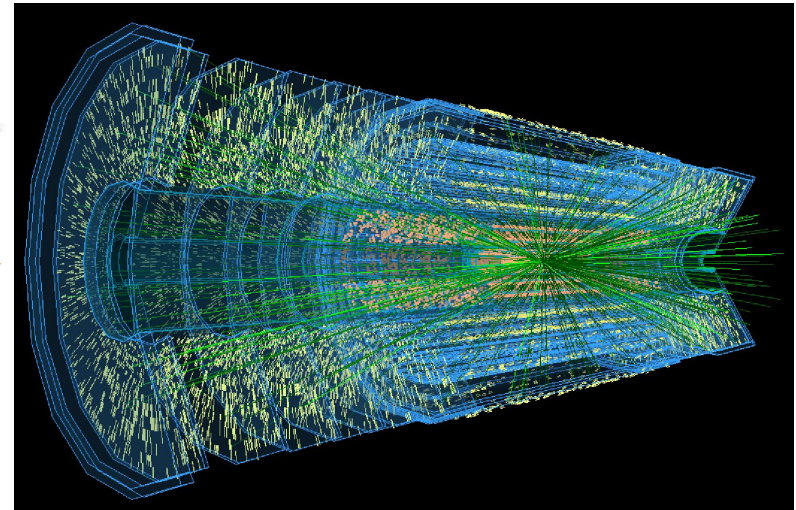
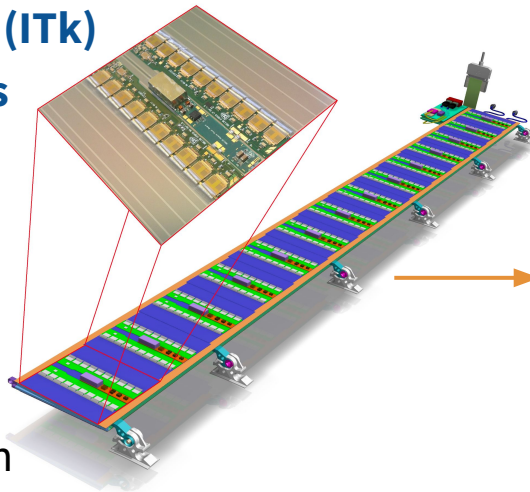


High-Luminosity LHC: 20x data over 20 years

New silicon cameras: ultra-granular images probing microcosm

ATLAS Inner Tracker (ITk) silicon strips sensors

ATLAS ITk Simulation, ITk Strips TDR



Today → Upgrade

60 m² → 165 m² silicon

6 million → 60 million readout channels

Prototyping

Pre-production

Production

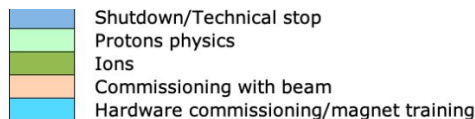
Integration

Today's undergrads
become postdocs



[lhc-commissioning.web.cern.ch]

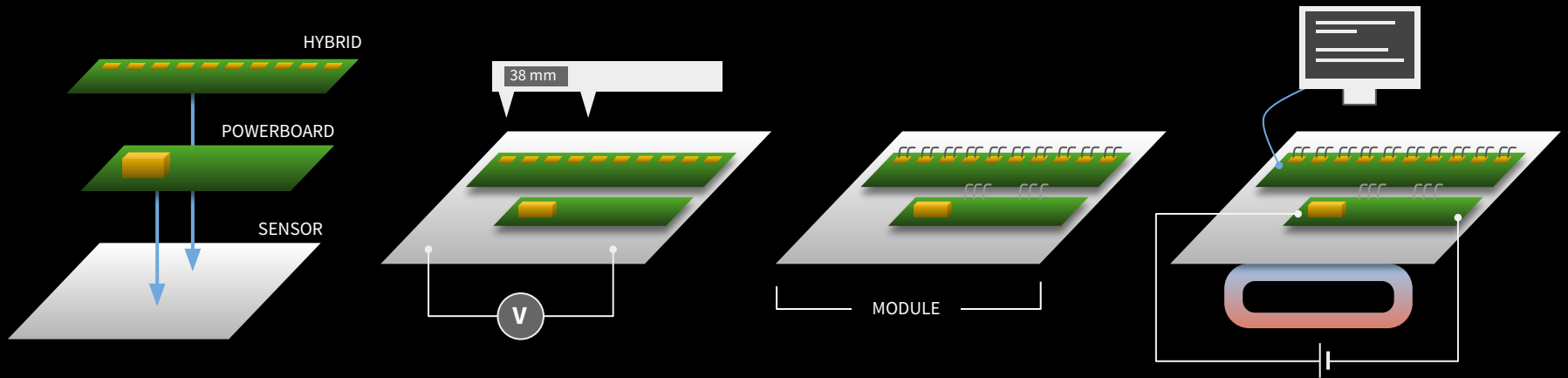
TODAY



Install ITk

HL-LHC

ITk Strips barrel module production



Glue boards



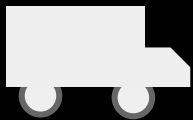
Metrology



Wire bond



Test & thermal cycle

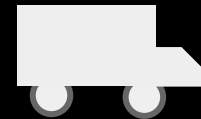


Receive parts

*Sensors: Hamamatsu
Hybrids: Birmingham
Powerboards: Berkeley*

Cambridge deliverables

Test 3000 sensors
Build 1000 modules
+ 10% yield



Ship Modules → RAL

*2 × 14 modules per stave
11k modules on 392 staves*



Photo: STFC

Build next-gen ATLAS silicon camera at Cambridge

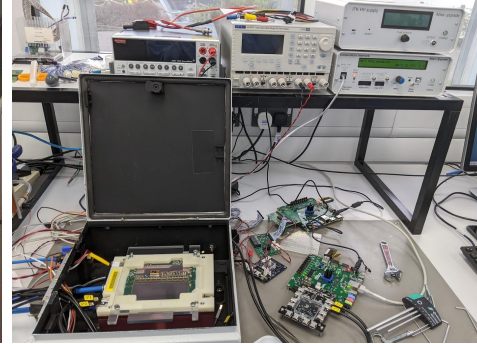
GLUE



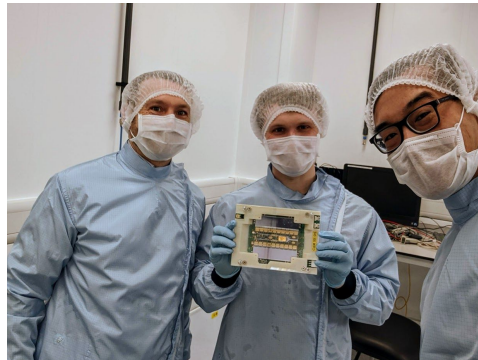
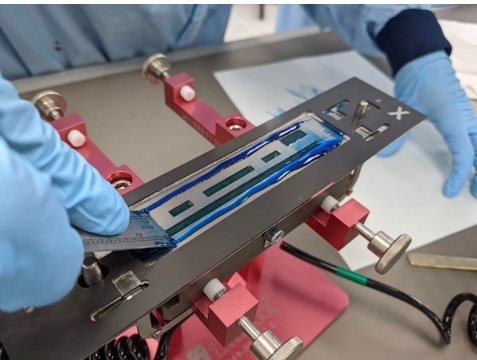
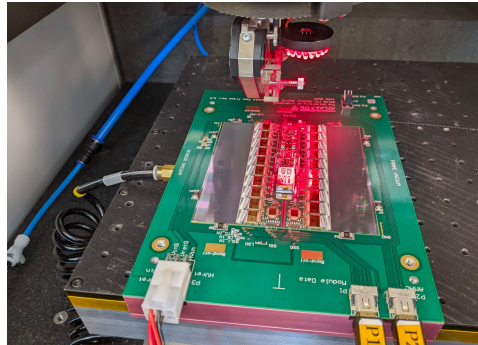
WIRE BOND



TEST & PACKAGE



GROUP PICS



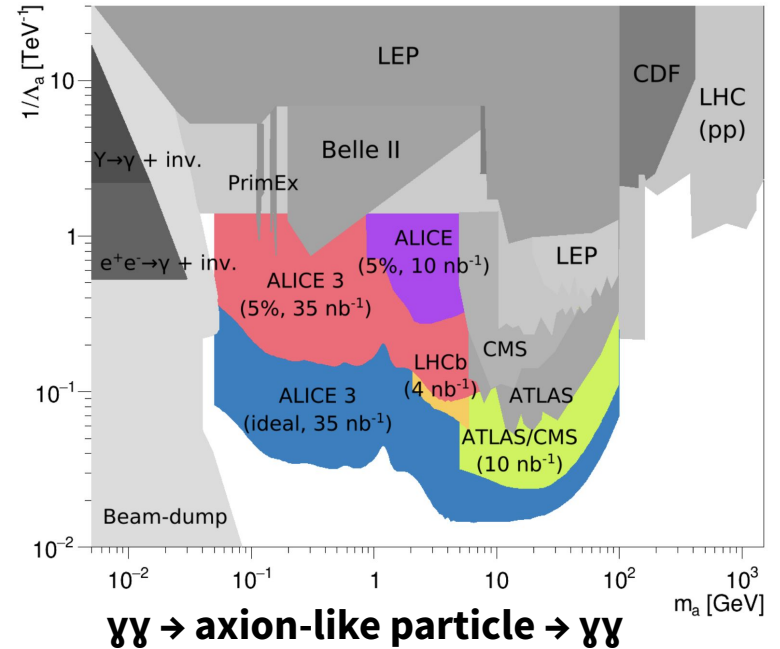
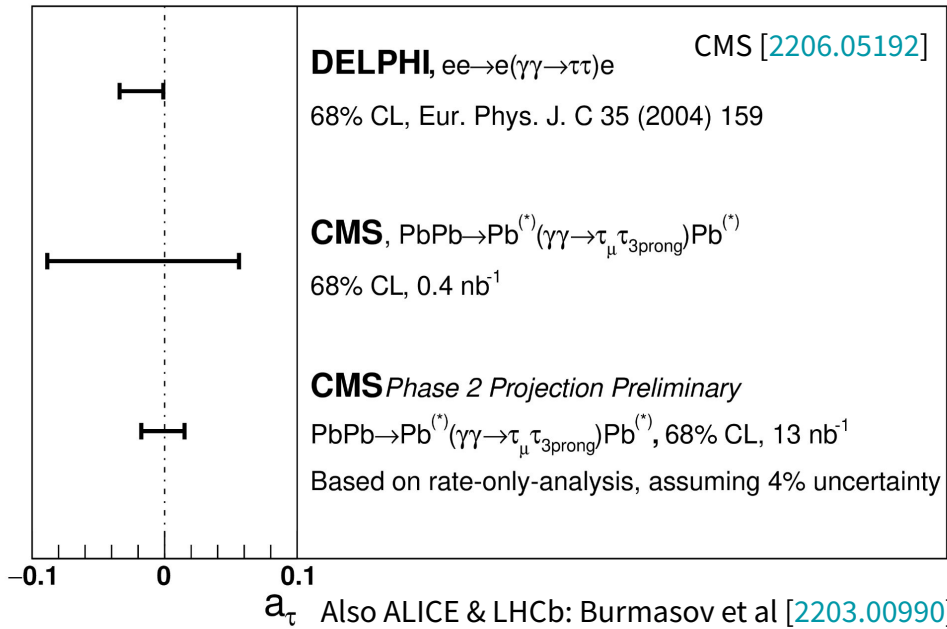
Featuring staff: Bart Hommels, Will Fawcett, Val Gibson, Kosala Kariyapperuma, JL, Sarah Williams;
PhD student: Anna Mullin; Visitors: Alan Barr (Oxford), Lydia Beresford (DESY)

Every innovation strengthens HL-LHC science

Snowmass 2021 whitepaper: d'Enterria et al [2203.05939]

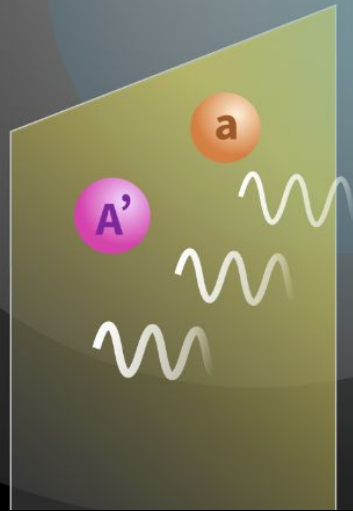
Opportunities for new physics searches with heavy ions at colliders

David d'Enterria, Marco Drewes, Andrea Giammanco, Jan Hajer, Elena Bratkovskaya, Roderik Bruce, Nazar



Last updated: January 2022

Photon collider physics motivates heavy ions @ HL-LHC



OUTLINE

PART 1

Colliding light for tau $g - 2$

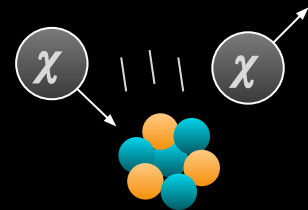
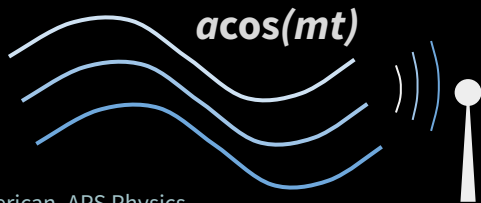
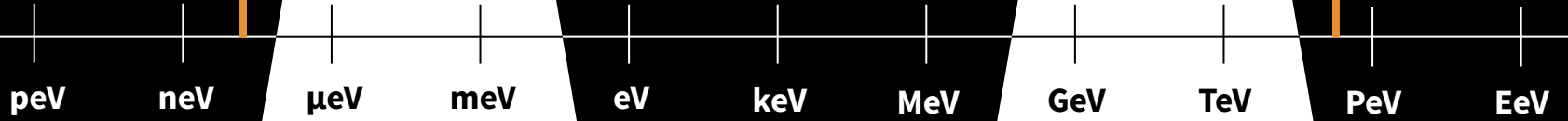
PART 2

BREAD axion detector R&D

TWO DARK MATTER LAMPPOSTS

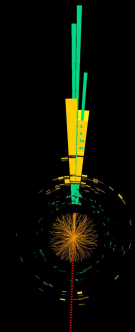
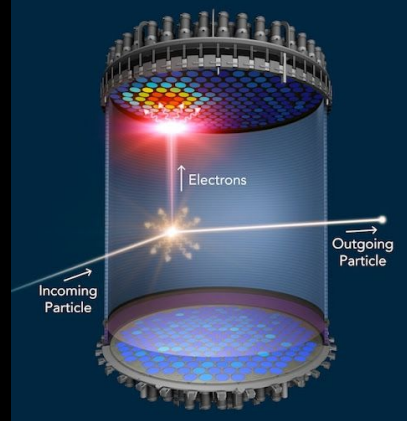
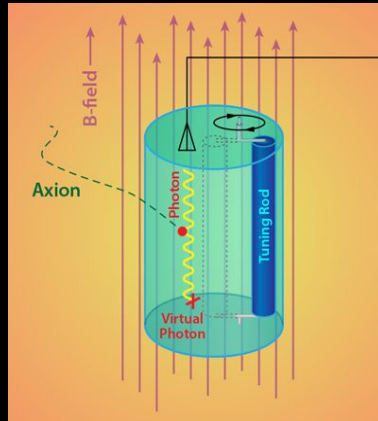
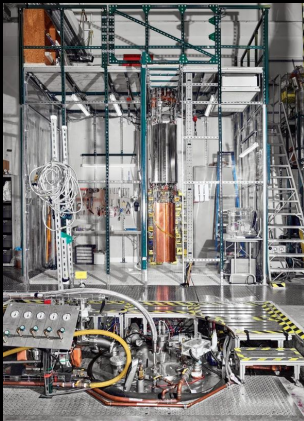
Axion
Wave-like
e.g. ADMX
Non-thermal

WIMP
Particle-like
e.g. LZ, LHC
Thermal relic



Scientific American, APS Physics

lz.ac.uk, 2102.10874



Axion motivation: resolve two mysteries

*CP Conservation in the Presence of Pseudoparticles**

R. D. Peccei and Helen R. Quinn†

Institute of Theoretical Physics, Department of Physics, Stanford University, Stanford, California 94305
(Received 31 March 1977)

We give an explanation of the *CP* conservation of strong interactions which includes the effects of pseudoparticles. We find it is a natural result for any theory where at least one flavor of fermion acquires its mass through a Yukawa coupling to a scalar field which has nonvanishing vacuum expectation value.

ROTATION OF THE ANDROMEDA NEBULA FROM A SPECTROSCOPIC SURVEY OF EMISSION REGIONS*

VERA C. RUBIN† AND W. KENT FORD, JR.†

Department of Terrestrial Magnetism, Carnegie Institution of Washington and Lowell Observatory, and Kitt Peak National Observatory‡

Received 1969 July 7; revised 1969 August 21



UCLA



Franklin Institute



Carnegie via NYT



APS

Strong CP problem

PARTICLE PHYSICS

Why strong force conserves charge–parity symmetry & neutron lacks electric dipole

Peccei & Quinn [PRL 38 (1977) 1440]

Neutron EDM: $|d_{\text{obs}}/d_{\text{QCD}}| \lesssim 10^{-10}$

Abel et al [PRL 124 (2020) 081803]

Dark matter problem

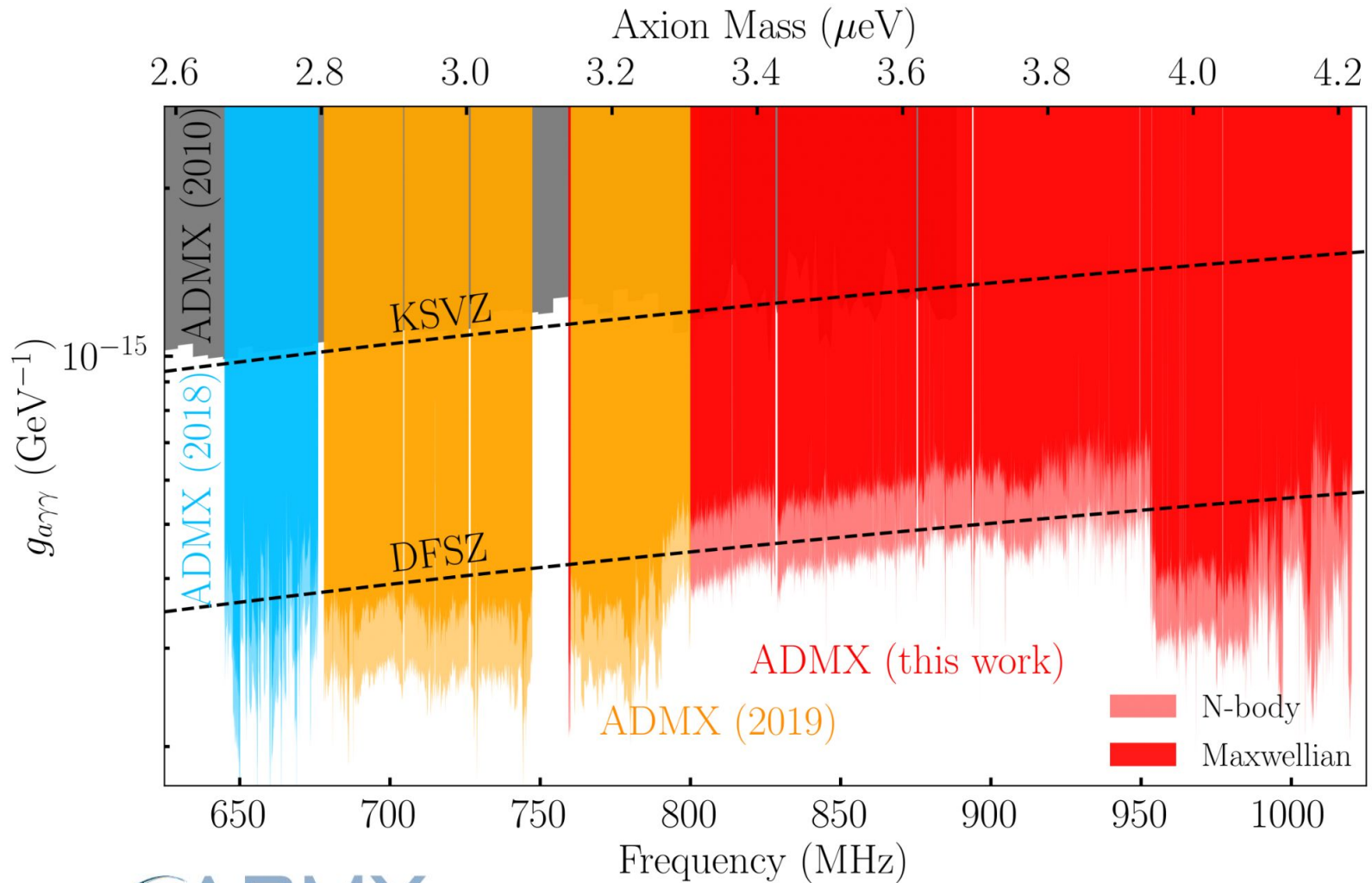
ASTROPHYSICS

Rotation curves of Andromeda Galaxy too high for measured luminous matter

Rubin & Ford

[ApJ 159 (1970) 379]

Success story: decisively test canonical axion targets



Bartram et al (ADMX) [PRL 127 \(2021\) 261803](#)

Problem: signal power falls rapidly vs mass

$m = 4 \mu\text{eV}$

GHz, $\lambda \sim 30 \text{ cm}$

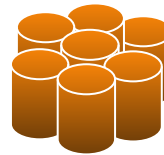
Power



$m = 40 \mu\text{eV}$

10 GHz, $\lambda \sim 3 \text{ cm}$

Power x 10⁻³



 **ADMX** G2 multicavity
AXION DARK MATTER EXPERIMENT



$m = 400 \mu\text{eV}$

100 GHz, $\lambda \sim 0.3 \text{ cm}$

Power x 10⁻⁶

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Signal power \sim cavity volume

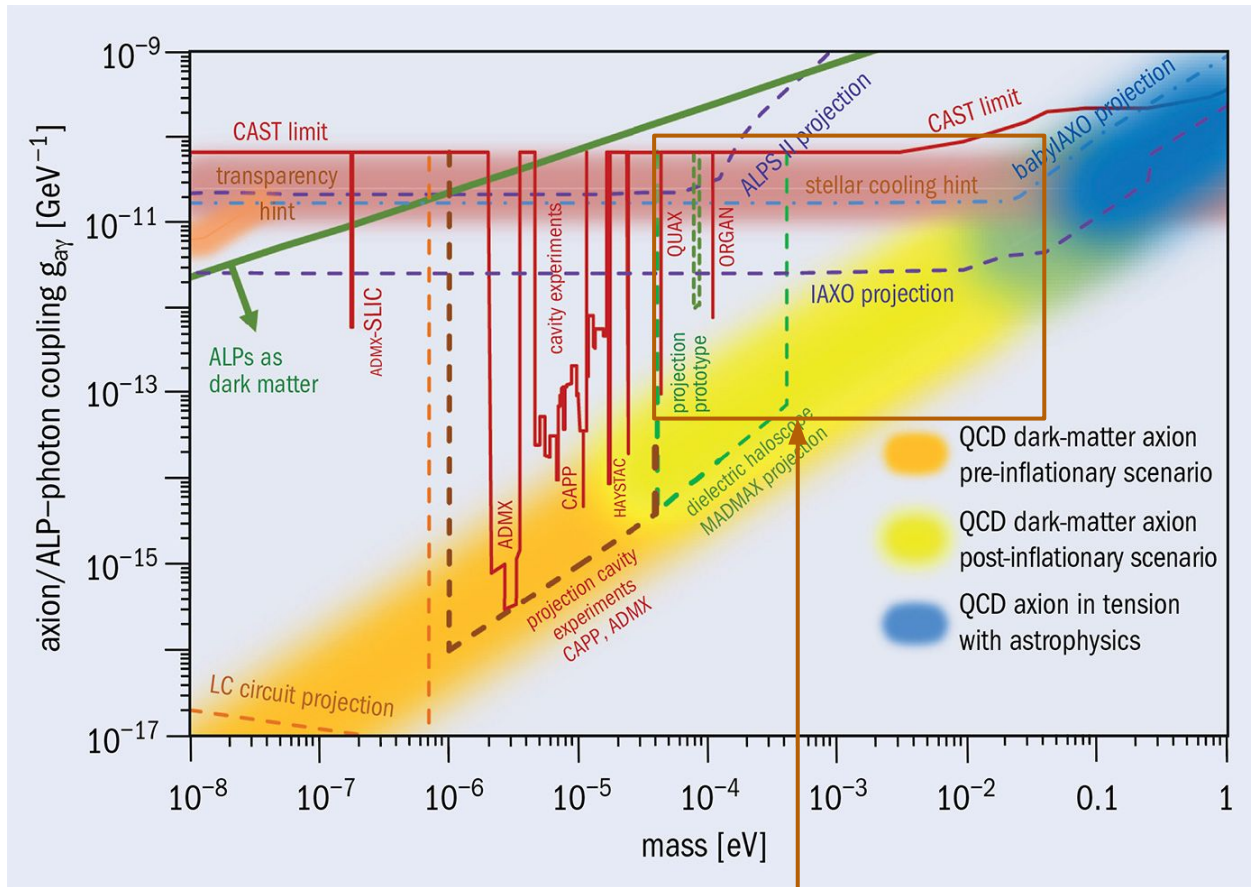
$N(\text{cavities}) \sim \text{mass}^3$

Impractical for $m \gtrsim 50 \mu\text{eV}$

$$P_{a \rightarrow \gamma} = (1.9 \times 10^{-22} \text{ W}) \left(\frac{V}{136 \text{ L}} \right) \left(\frac{B}{6.8 \text{ T}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{C_{nlm}}{0.4} \right) \left(\frac{g_\gamma}{0.97} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\rho_a}{0.45 \text{ GeV/cm}^3} \right) \left(\frac{f_a}{650 \text{ MHz}} \right) \left(\frac{Q}{50000} \right)$$

Khatitada et al (ADMX) [Rev. Sci. Instrum. 92 \(2021\) 124502](#)

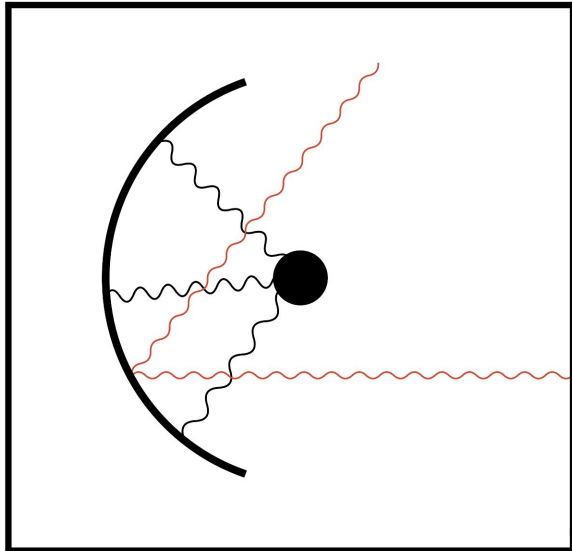
Opening the terahertz axion window



Desire broadband but cavity haloscopes narrowband $\Delta m/m \ll 1$
Desire high mass but scan rate $R \sim m^{-14/3}$ impractical for $m > 50 \mu\text{eV}$
NEED CREATIVITY TO OVERCOME BOTH LONGSTANDING OBSTACLES

Innovative ideas for $m \gtrsim 50 \mu\text{eV}$

Power $\sim \text{coupling}^2 \times \text{Area}$



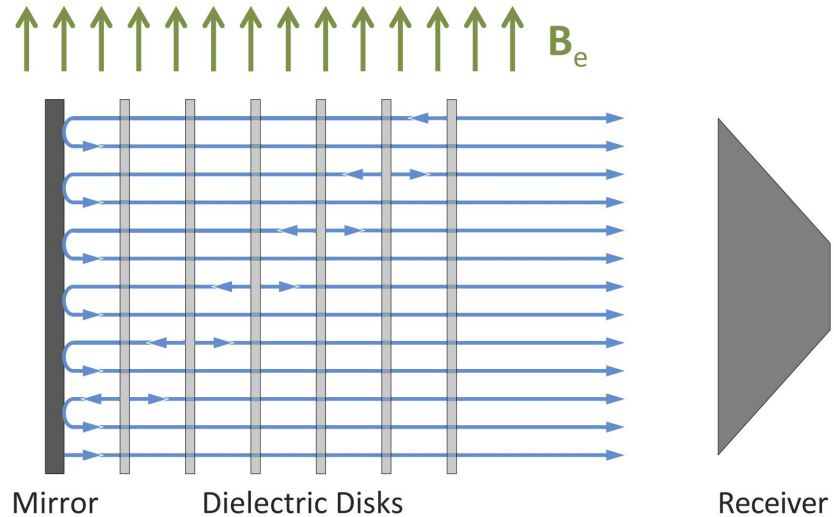
DISH ANTENNA

Mirror creates & focuses signal

Truly broadband: no resonance

Horns et al [JCAP 04 \(2013\) 016](#)

Power $\sim \text{coupling}^2 \times \text{Area} \times (\text{disks boost})$



DIELECTRIC STACK

Mirror+disks create & boost signal

Enhance signal coherently via N disks

Caldwell et al (MADMAX) [PRL 118 \(2017\) 091801](#)

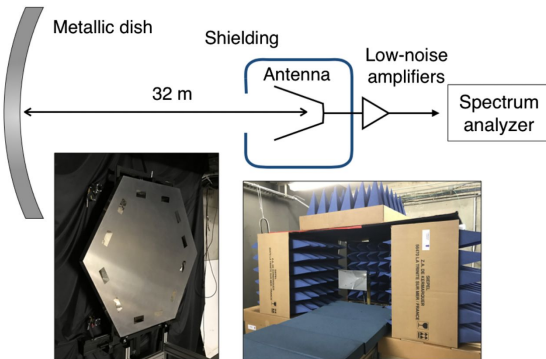
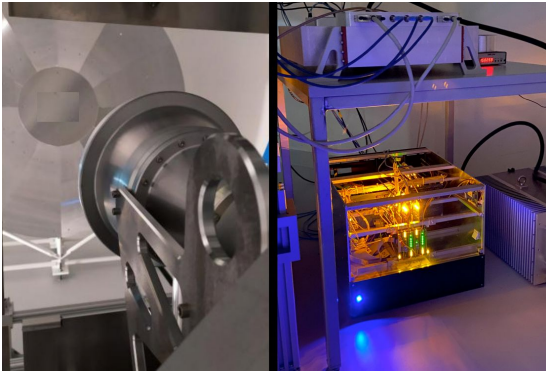
No resonant cavity enhancement but no longer suffer volume scaling

Proof-of-principle pilots worldwide

DISH ANTENNA

BRASS

Broadband Radiometric Axion Searches
 Hamburg, Germany
 Nguyen et al ([BRASS](#)) [PATRAS 2022](#)

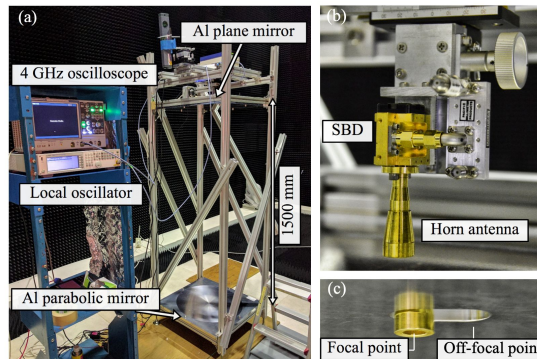
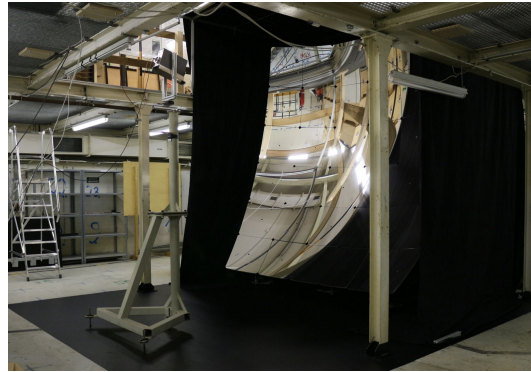


SHUKET

Search for $U(1)$ dark matter with Electromagnetic Telescope
 Paris, France
 Brun et al ([PRL 122 \(2019\) 201801](#))

FUNK

Finding $U(1)$ s of a Novel Kind
 Karlsruhe, Germany
 Andrianavalomahefa et al ([PRD 102 \(2020\) 042001](#))



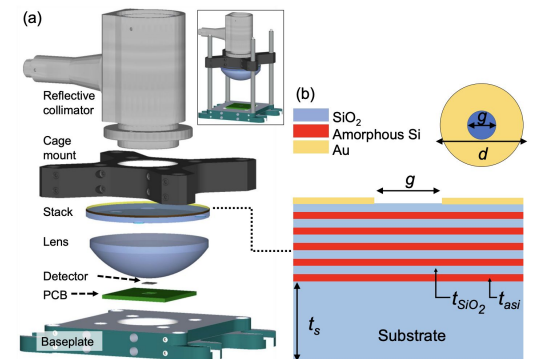
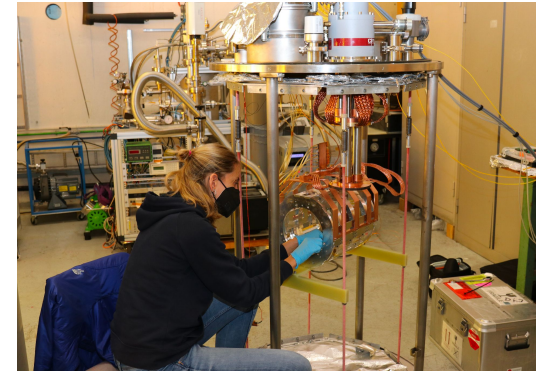
Tokyo

No official name except location
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 Knirck et al ([JCAP 11 \(2018\) 031](#))

DIELECTRIC STACK

MADMAX

Magnetized Disk and Mirror Axion eXperiment
 Hamburg, Germany/CERN, Switzerland
 Egge et al ([MADMAX](#)) [EPJC 80 \(2020\) 392](#)



LAMPOST

Light A' Multilayer Periodic Optical SNSPD Target
 Boulder, Colorado, USA
 Chiles et al ([PRL 128 \(2022\) 231802](#))

Broadband Reflector Experiment for Axion Detection

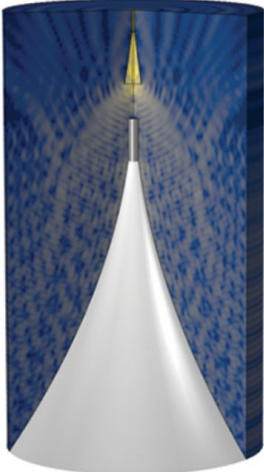


My proposal paper on the cover of PRL & Editors' Suggestion



PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS JL, Dona et al [2111.12103]

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ON THE COVER

Broadband Solenoidal Haloscope for Terahertz Axion Detection

March 28, 2022

Simulation of the full electric field inside the conceptual design of the Broadband Reflector Experiment for Axion Detection (BREAD). Selected for an Editors' Suggestion.

Jesse Liu *et al.*
[Phys. Rev. Lett. 128, 131801 \(2022\)](#)

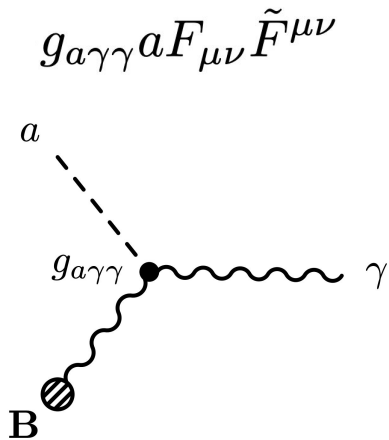
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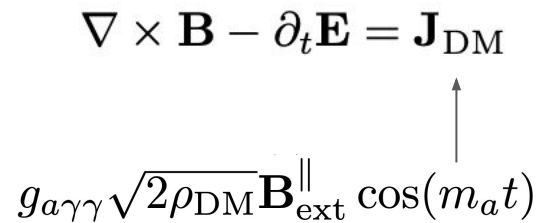


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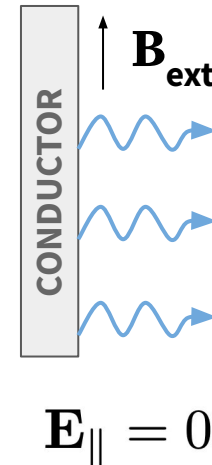
Axion-photon coupling

$$g_{a\gamma\gamma} a F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$$


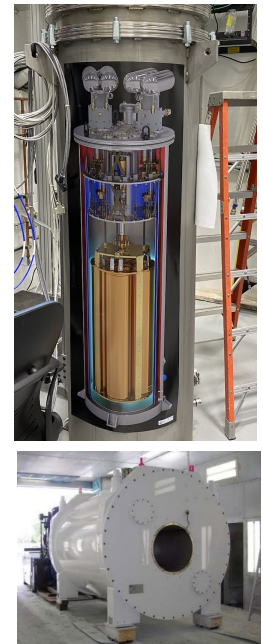
Augment Ampère-Maxwell

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} - \partial_t \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{J}_{\text{DM}}$$
$$g_{a\gamma\gamma} \sqrt{2\rho_{\text{DM}}} \mathbf{B}_{\text{ext}}^{\parallel} \cos(m_a t)$$


Emit photons



Geometry



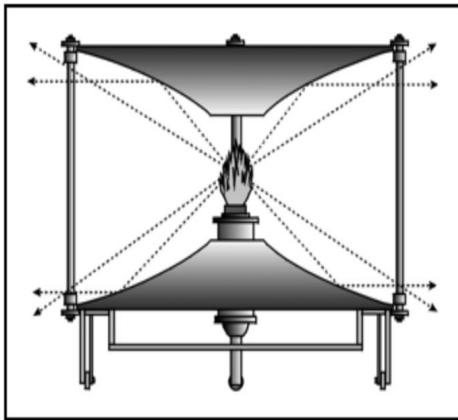
Broadband: no resonant tuning to unknown mass

Dish antenna concept proposed in Horns et al [[1212.2970](#)]

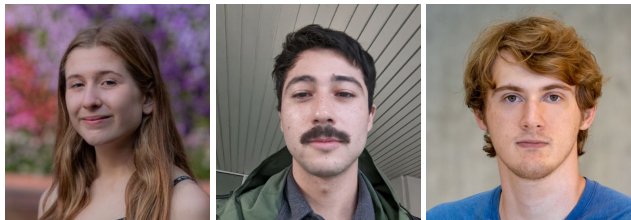
Cryostat & solenoid pic: Kristin Dona, Andrew Sonnenschein

Step 2: collect photons

Historical inspiration:
classical lighthouse



Bordier-Marcet 1811 [uslhs.org]



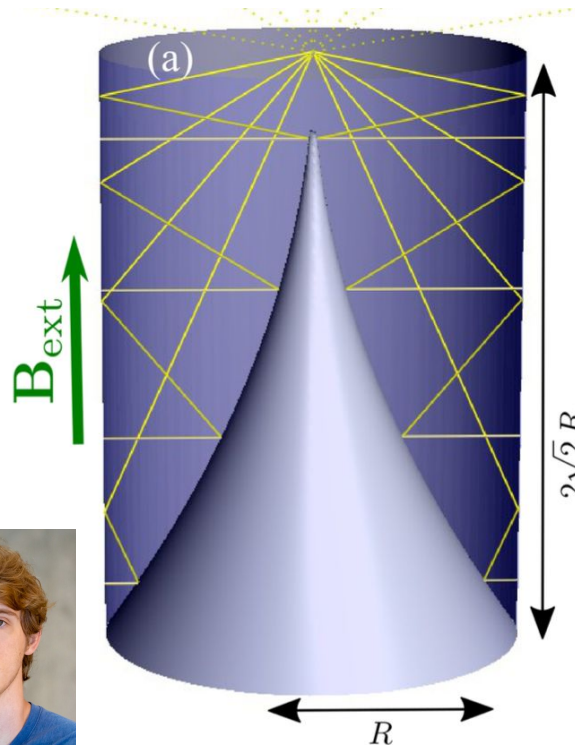
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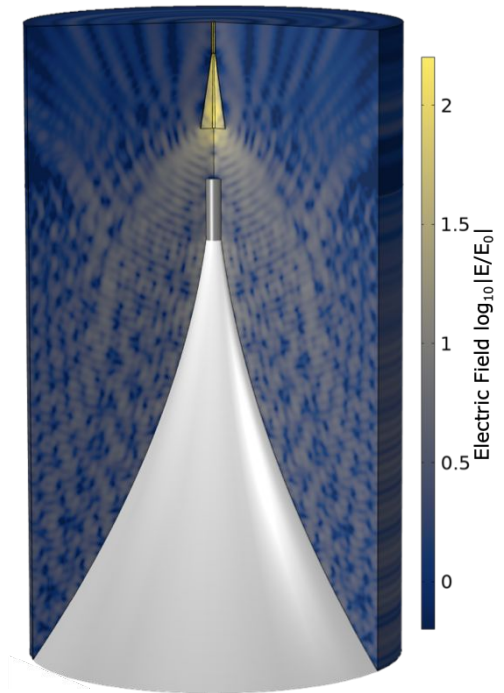
Fermilab undergraduate summer students
led initial simulation studies

High mass:
infrared ray optics



Shot-noise limited
*Focal spot smeared by
non-zero halo velocity*

Low mass:
coherent microwave field



Diffraction limited
*Numerical Maxwell's equations
(COMSOL) for 15 GHz signal*

JL, Dona et al [PRL 128 (2022) 131801]

BREAD
COLLABORATION

Step 3: detect photons

gentec-eo.com
gentec-eo

THZ5B-BL-DA-DO
PIN 202292
THz detector for power measurements up to 43 μW

HOME > PRODUCTS > POWER MEASUREMENT > THZ5B-BL-DA-DO



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Bolometer SYSTEMS



Fourier Transform IR Spectroscopy
Molecular Beam Spectroscopy
High Magnetic Field Research
Terahertz Research

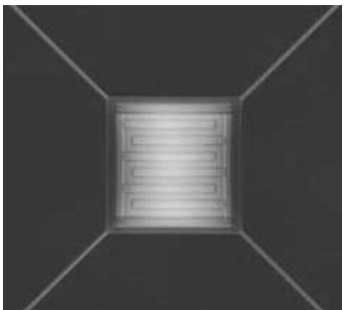
IRLabs
Infrared Laboratories

Commercial bolometers

Lower noise is better ↓

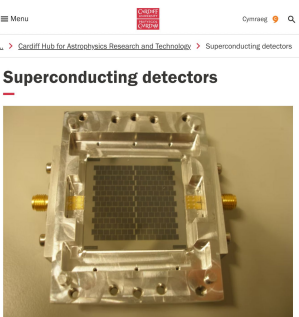
Photosensor	$\frac{E}{\text{meV}}$	$\frac{T_{\text{op}}}{\text{K}}$	$\frac{\text{NEP}}{\text{W}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}}$	$\frac{A_{\text{sens}}}{\text{mm}^2}$
GENTEC [97]	[0.4, 120]	293	$1 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$\pi 2.5^2$
IR LABS [98]	[0.24, 248]	1.6	$5 \cdot 10^{-14}$	1.5^2
KID/TES [99, 100]	[0.2, 125]	0.3	$2 \cdot 10^{-19}$	0.2^2
QCDet [101, 102]	[2, 125]	0.015	$\frac{\text{DCR}}{\text{Hz}} = 4$	0.06^2
SNSPD [103, 104]	[124, 830]	0.3	$\frac{\text{DCR}}{\text{Hz}} = 10^{-4}$	0.4^2

JL, Dona et al [PRL 128 (2022) 131801]



Transition Edge Sensor

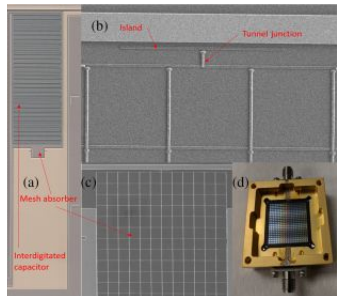
Goldie et al [JLTP 2016]



Kinetic Inductance Detector

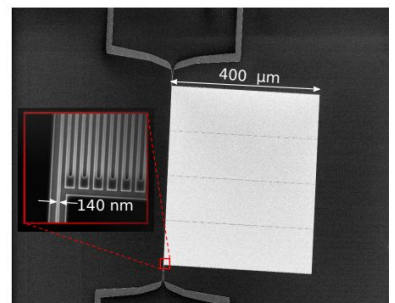
Baselmans et al [A&A 2017]

Established technology for astronomy



Quantum Capacitance Detector

Echternach et al [JATIS 2021]

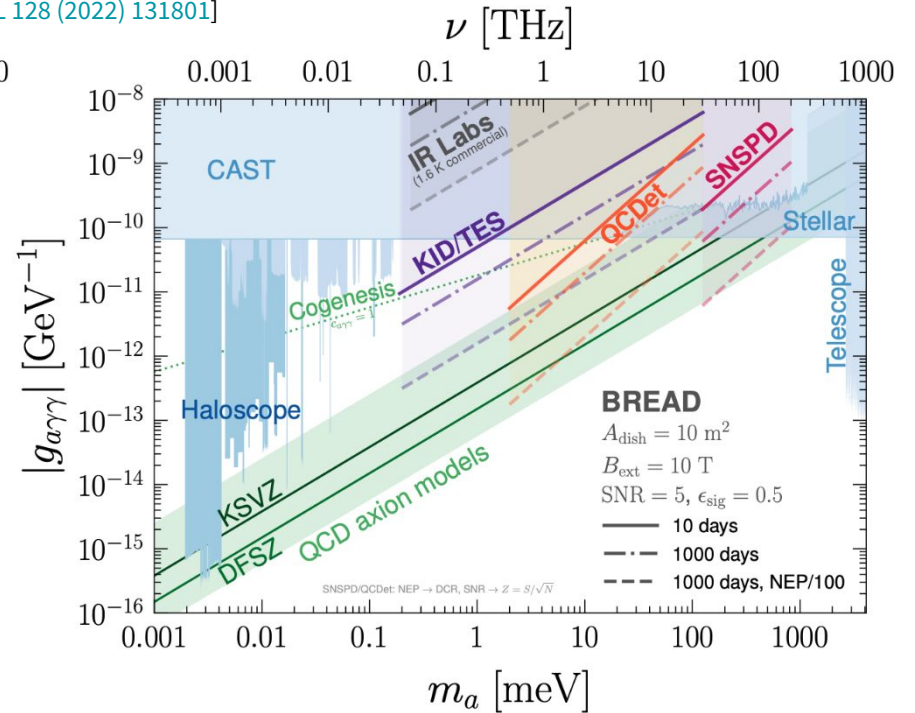
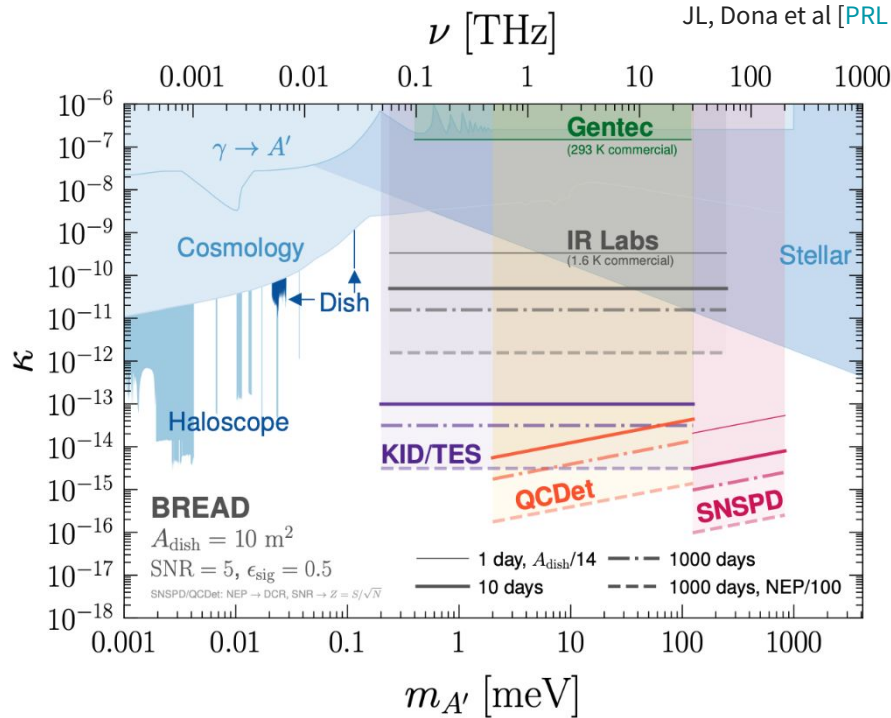


Superconducting Nanowire Single Photon Detector

Hochberg et al (MIT) [PRL 2019]

Emerging technology for infrared photon counting

Science program: pilot → full scale



DARK PHOTON (VECTOR)

Preparing “sourdough starter” pilots
 Near term: first data ~ this year

AXION (PSEUDOSCALAR)

Requires significant sensor R&D
 Longer term: 5+ year timescale



$$\left\{ \left(\frac{g_{a\gamma\gamma}}{10^{-12}} \right)^2 \right\} = \left\{ \frac{3.0}{\text{GeV}^2} \left(\frac{m_a}{\text{meV}} \right)^3 \left(\frac{10 \text{ T}}{B_{\text{ext}}} \right)^2 \right\} \left(\frac{\text{hour}}{\Delta t} \right)^{1/2} \frac{10 \text{ m}^2}{A_{\text{dish}}} \frac{Z}{5} \frac{0.5}{\epsilon_s} \left(\frac{\text{DCR}}{10^{-2} \text{ Hz}} \right)^{1/2} \frac{0.45 \text{ GeV/cm}^3}{\rho_{\text{DM}}}$$

Vision: towards flagship axion facility

JL, Dona et al [PRL 128 (2022) 131801]

BREAD	Pilot	Stage 1	Stage 2a	Stage 2b
Axion a	—	✓	✓	✓
Dark photon A'	✓	✓	✓	✓
Experimental parameters				
A_{dish} [m ²]	0.7	10	10	10
B_{ext} [T]	—	10	10	10
ϵ_s	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Δt [days]	10	10	1000	1000
NEP [W Hz ^{-1/2}]	10^{-14}	10^{-18}	10^{-20}	10^{-22}

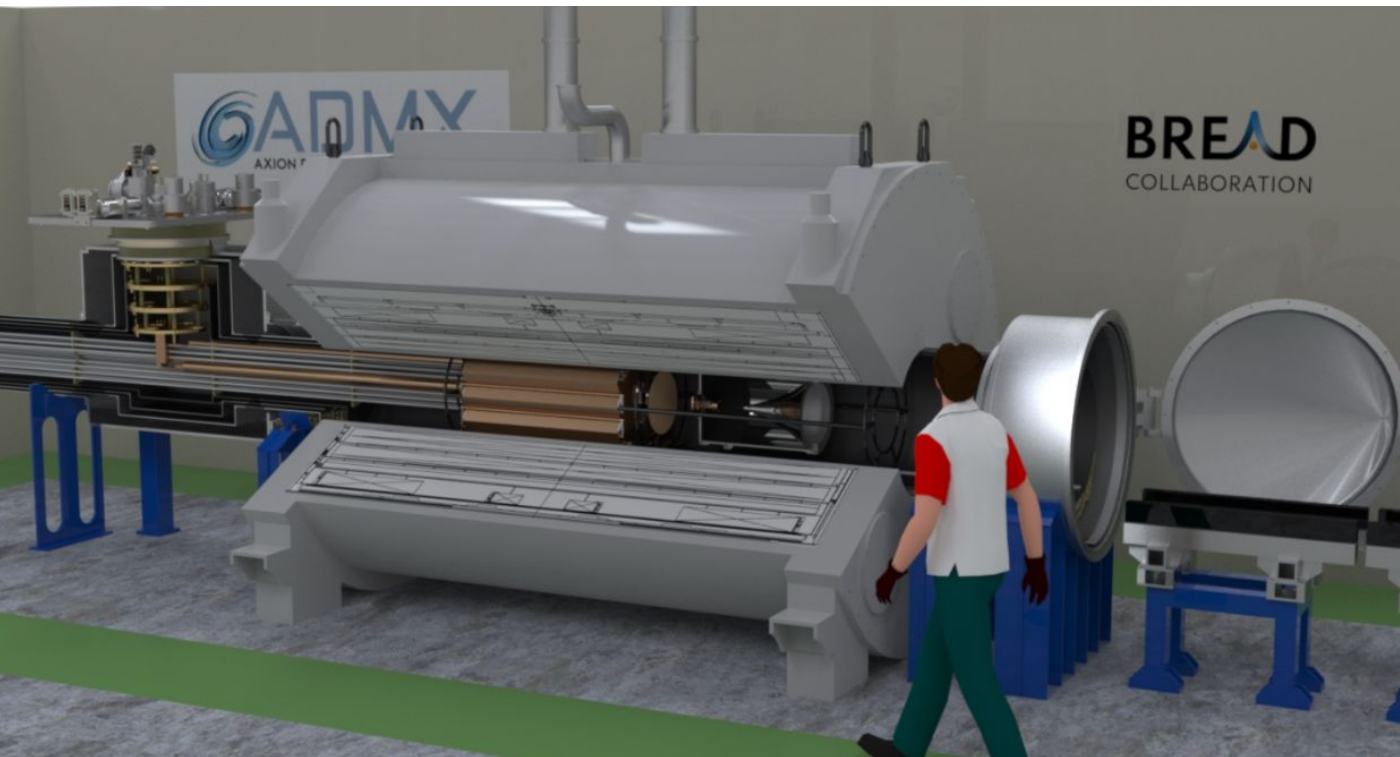
Submitted to the Proceedings of the US Community Study on the Future of Particle Physics (Snowmass 2021)

Joerg Jaeckel, Gray Rybka, Lindley Winslow Editors
(JL contributing author) [2203.14923](#)

Snowmass 2021 White Paper Axion Dark Matter



Don Mitchell (FNAL) designing support structures & fixtures for mounting in cryostat



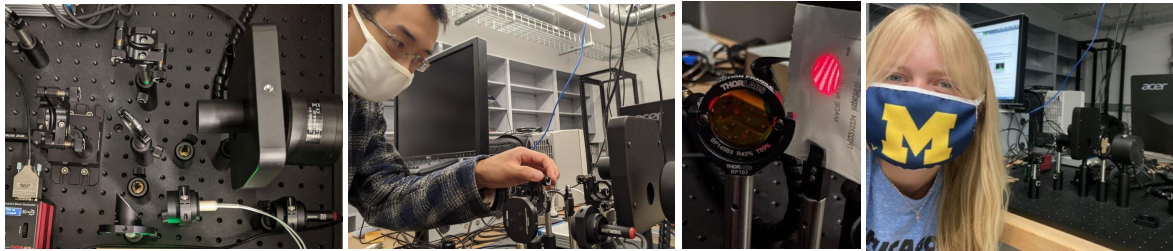
Hands on 1: build spectrometer for calibration optics

JANUARY 2020
Hardware arrival
& assembly

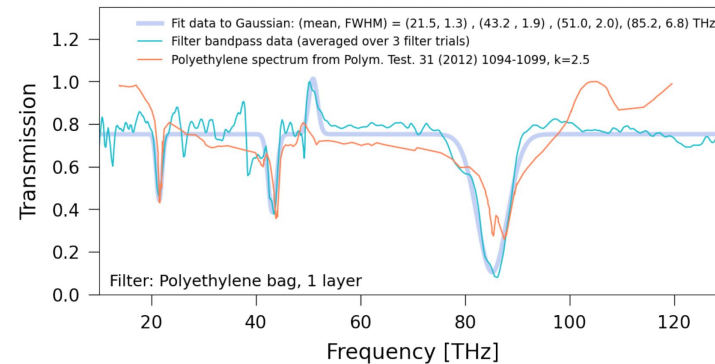
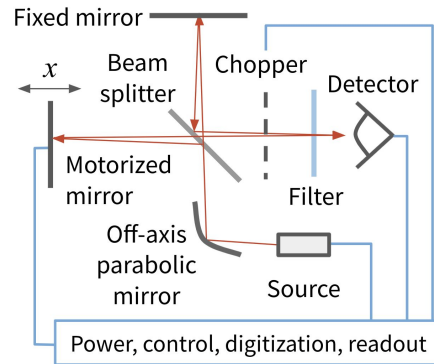


← Kristin Dona
(UChicago)

AUGUST
Alignment
& operations



OCTOBER
Measurements
& analysis



APRIL 2021
Write up & publish
2104.07157 (JINST)

Design and performance of a multi-terahertz Fourier transform spectrometer for axion dark matter experiments

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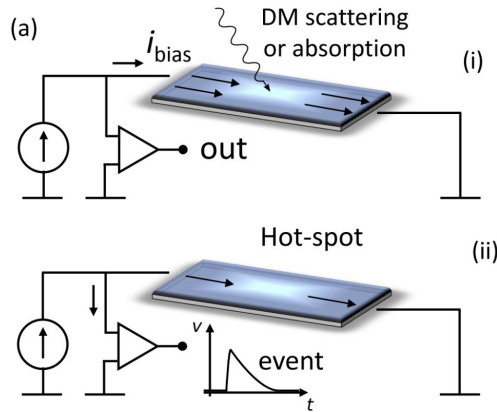
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Hands on 2: quantum sensor testing

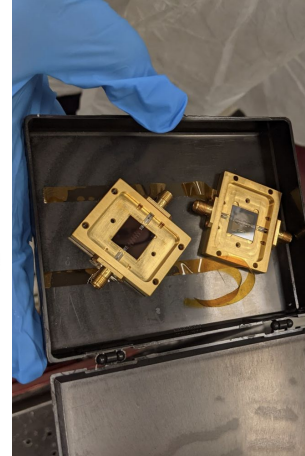
JL & Kristin @ Fermilab SiDet



Superconducting nanowires



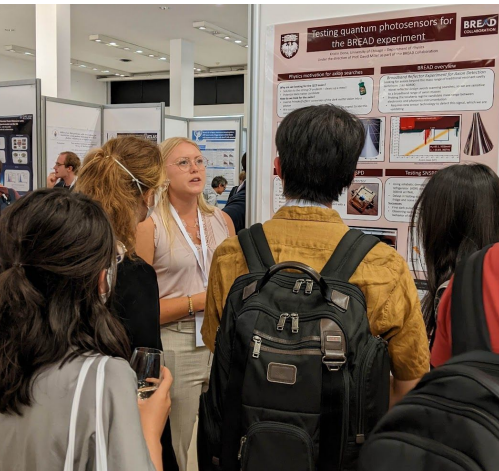
MIT nanowires



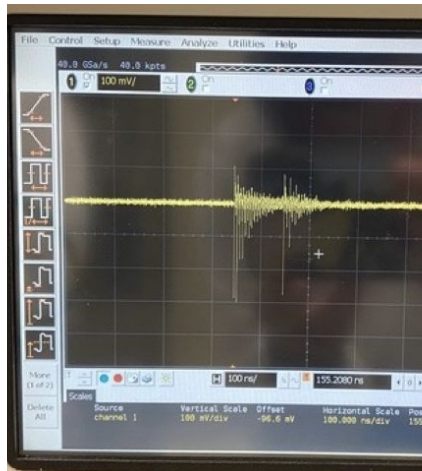
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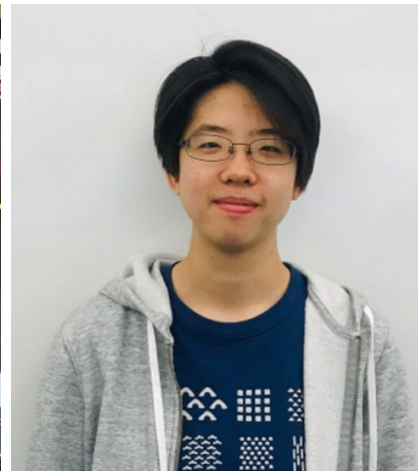
Cryostat



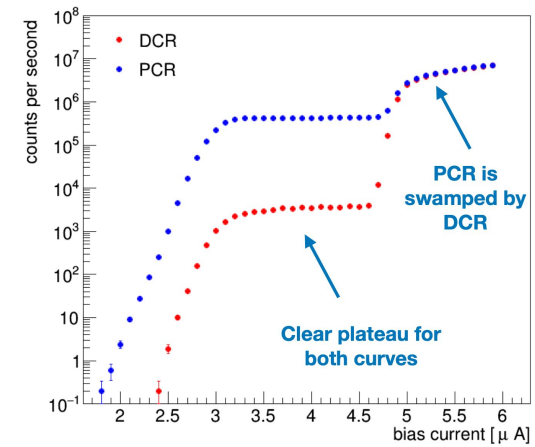
Kristin's ICHEP poster



First photosensor clicks



Christina Wang (Caltech)



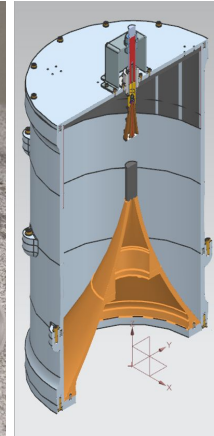
Photon/dark count rates

Hands on 3: reflector engineering & infrastructure

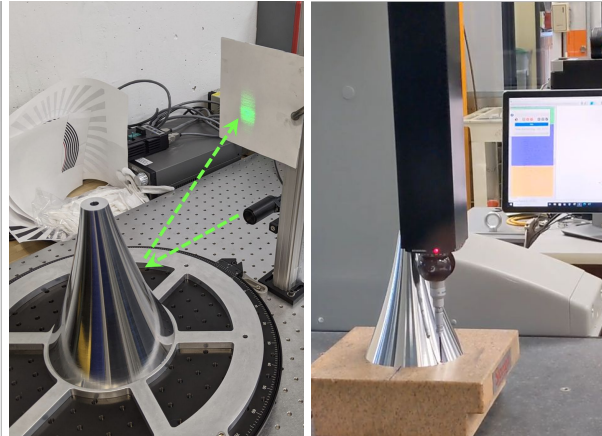
Pilot reflector assembly



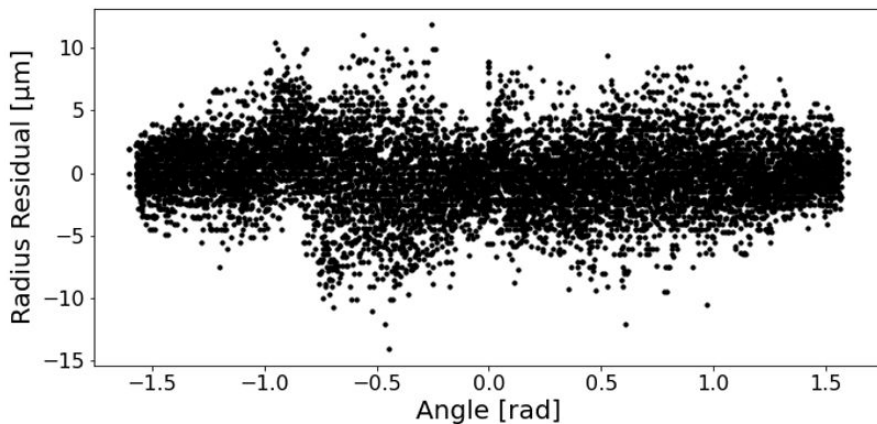
Pilot CAD



Reflectometry & touch-probe metrology



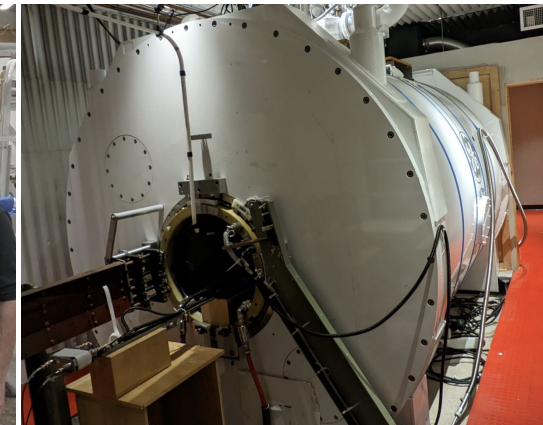
Huma Jafree
(Randolph-Macon)



Metrology residuals vs design



Andrew Sonnenschein @ Argonne



9.4 T 80 cm bore solenoid @ UIC

Innovation at interdisciplinary interfaces

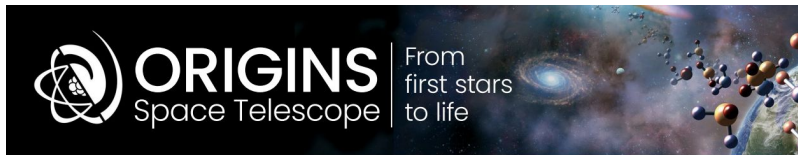
ASTRONOMY

Origins of habitability & life



QUANTUM TECHNOLOGY

Information & sensing



HOW DOES THE UNIVERSE WORK?

How do galaxies form stars, make metals, and grow their central supermassive black holes from reionization to today?

Using sensitive spectroscopic capabilities of a cold telescope in the infrared, Origins will measure properties of star-formation and growing black holes in galaxies across all epochs in the Universe.

HOW DID WE GET HERE?

How do the conditions for habitability develop during the process of planet formation?

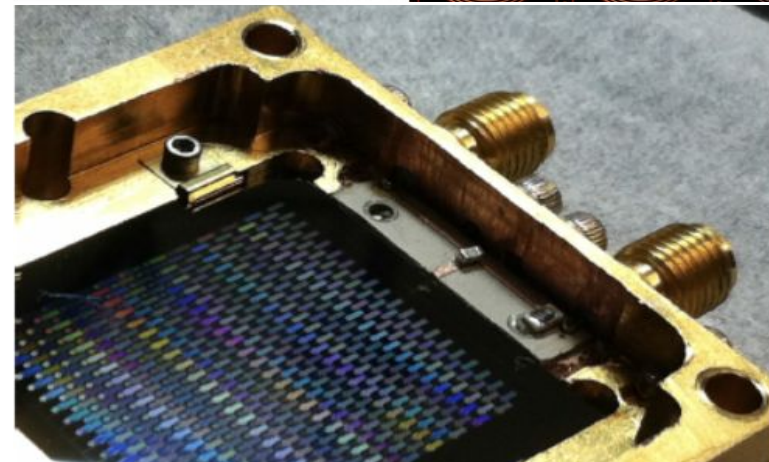
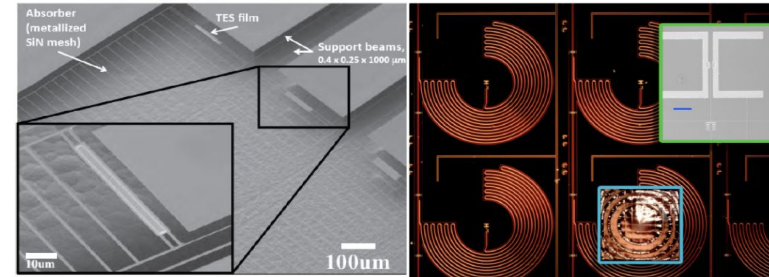
With sensitive and high-resolution far-IR spectroscopy Origins will illuminate the path of water and its abundance to determine the availability of water for habitable planets.

ARE WE ALONE?

Do planets orbiting M-dwarf stars support life?

By obtaining precise mid-infrared transmission and emission spectra, Origins will assess the habitability of nearby exoplanets and search for signs of life.

SCIENCE DRIVERS FOR MISSION DESIGN



**“Think Inside, Think Outside the box.
Make connections to other fields”**

NSF Program Director at Snowmass Oct 2020

“Synergies between particle and astroparticle physics should be strengthened”

European Strategy Update Jun 2020

EPILOGUE

Neutron magnetic moment

When Nature laughed in our 1930s faces



Paul Dirac 1928



Irène and Frédéric Joliot-Curie 1932



James Chadwick 1932

Theory: zero as it's neutral & pointlike

Nature: large AND negative haha ($g - 2 = -5.8$)

Goudsmit & Bacher (1933), Tamm & Altshuler (1934), Breit & Rabi (1934), Alvarez & Bloch (1940), CODATA (2018)

Completely confounded expectation!

TRANSFORMATIVE

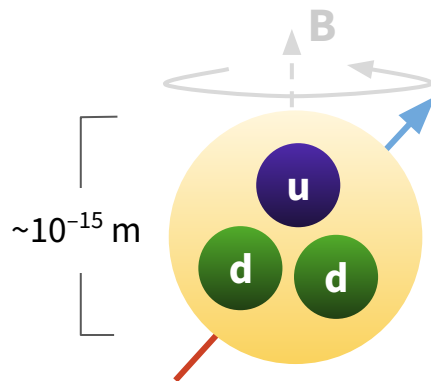
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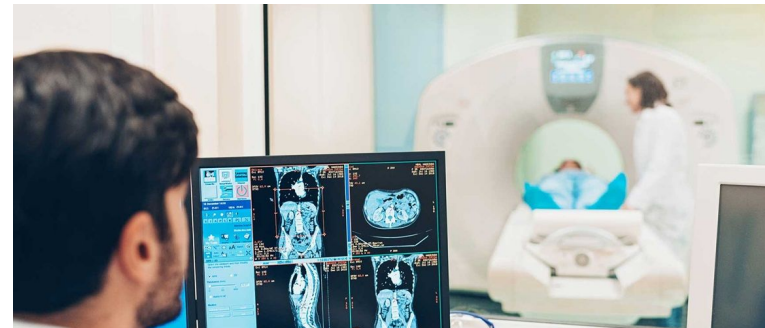
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NUCLEAR SUBSTRUCTURE
New confining strong force



hopkinsmedicine.org

Today nuclear moments save lives
with MRI medical imaging

Nobel prize in Physiology or Medicine 2003

CLIFFHANGER

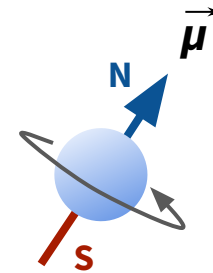
However, solution for neutron MDM
opens new problem with EDM

MAGNETIC DIPOLE MOMENT (MDM)

Expectation: Dirac theory $\Rightarrow g = 0$

Reality: huge & negative! :0

Solved: new physics \rightarrow QCD \checkmark

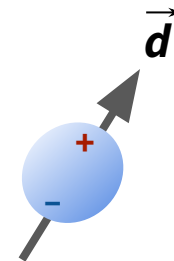


ELECTRIC DIPOLE MOMENT (EDM)

Expectation: strong CP violation \Rightarrow large

Reality: 0 to ten decimal places! :0

Solution: new physics \rightarrow axions...?



THANK YOU

Colliding light for tau g – 2

ATLAS (JL Editor) 2204.13478, Accepted PRL

BREAD: new axion detector

JL, Dona et al PRL 128 (2022) 131801

*We must keep looking at Nature in unprecedented ways
Even if – especially if – it completely defies expectation*

EUROPEAN ORGANISATION FOR NUCLEAR RESEARCH (CERN)
ATLAS EXPERIMENT
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Observation of the $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau$ process in Pb+Pb collisions and constraints on the τ -lepton anomalous magnetic moment with the ATLAS detector

The ATLAS Collaboration

This Letter reports the observation of τ -lepton pair production in ultraperipheral lead-lead collisions, $\text{Pb+Pb} \rightarrow \text{Pb}(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau)\text{Pb}$, and constraints on the τ -lepton anomalous magnetic moment, a_τ . The dataset corresponds to an integrated luminosity of 1.44 nb^{-1} of LHC Pb+Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02 \text{ TeV}$ recorded by the ATLAS experiment in 2018. Selected events contain one muon from a τ -lepton decay, an electron or charged-particle track(s) from the other τ -lepton decay, little additional central-detector activity, and no forward neutrons. The $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau$ process is observed in Pb+Pb collisions with a significance exceeding 5 standard deviations, and a signal strength of $\mu_{\tau\tau} = 1.03^{+0.18}_{-0.16}$ assuming the Standard Model value for a_τ . To measure a_τ , a template fit to the muon transverse-momentum distribution from τ -lepton candidates is

