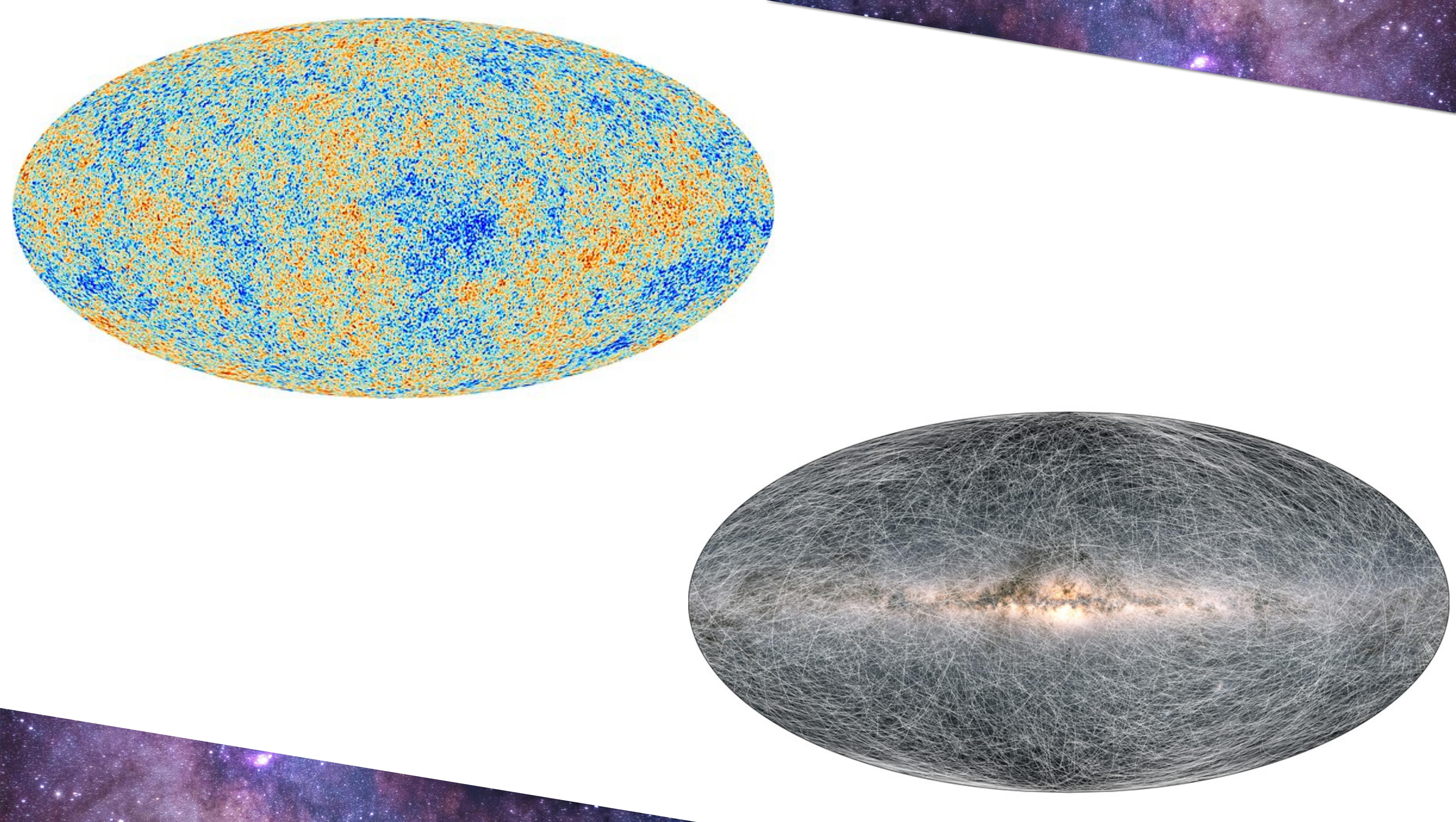


# HETERODYNE DETECTION OF AXION DARK MATTER

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# DARK MATTER MASS





Couplings to ordinary matter

Self-coupling

50 O.M.

80 O.M.

50 O.M.

Mass

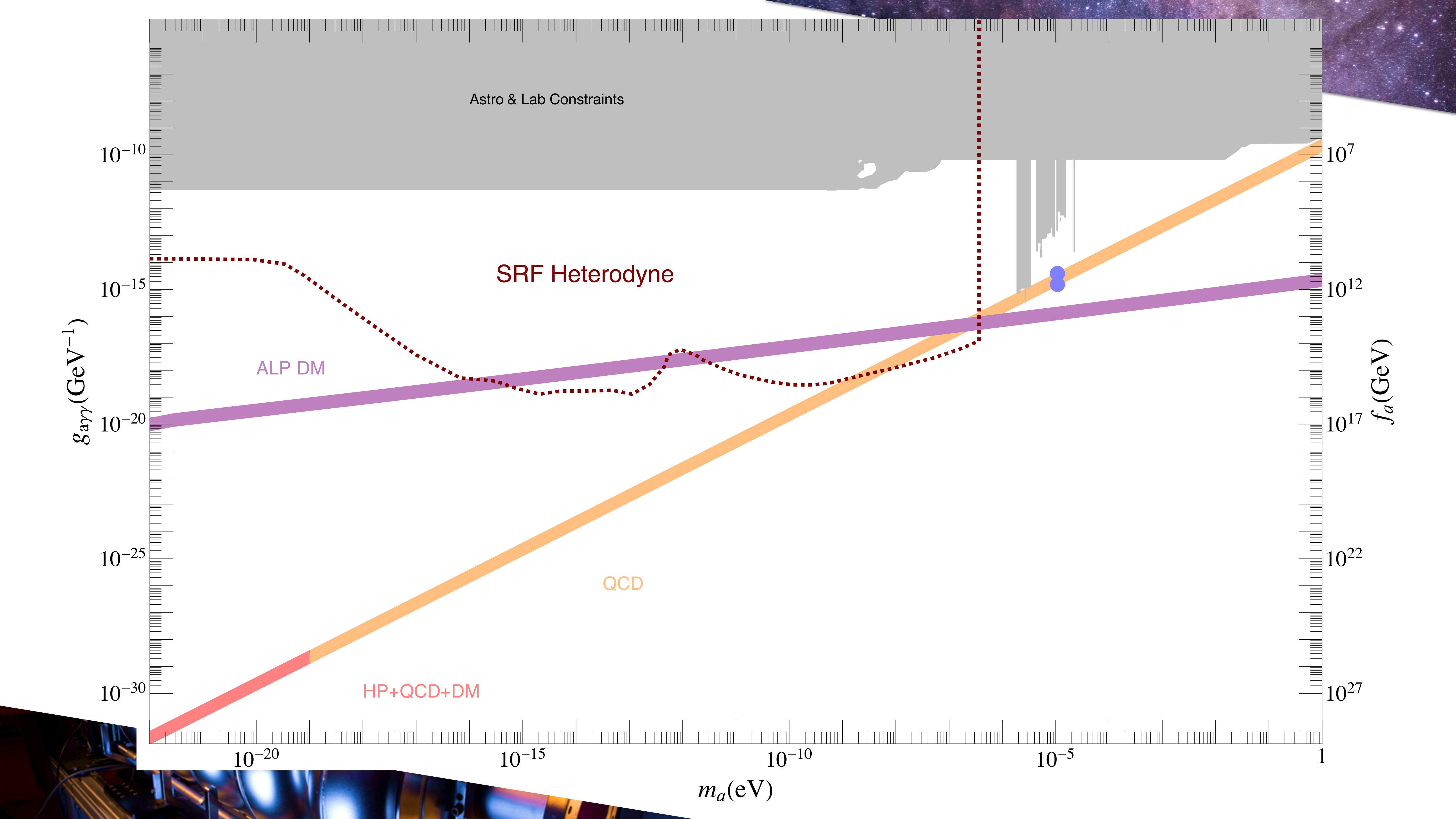
# DARK MATTER MASS



Theory Spotlight

# AXIONS

- Minimal Extension of what we know to exist
- Simple and predictive cosmology
- Solve another big problem in particle physics
- Ubiquitous in string theory





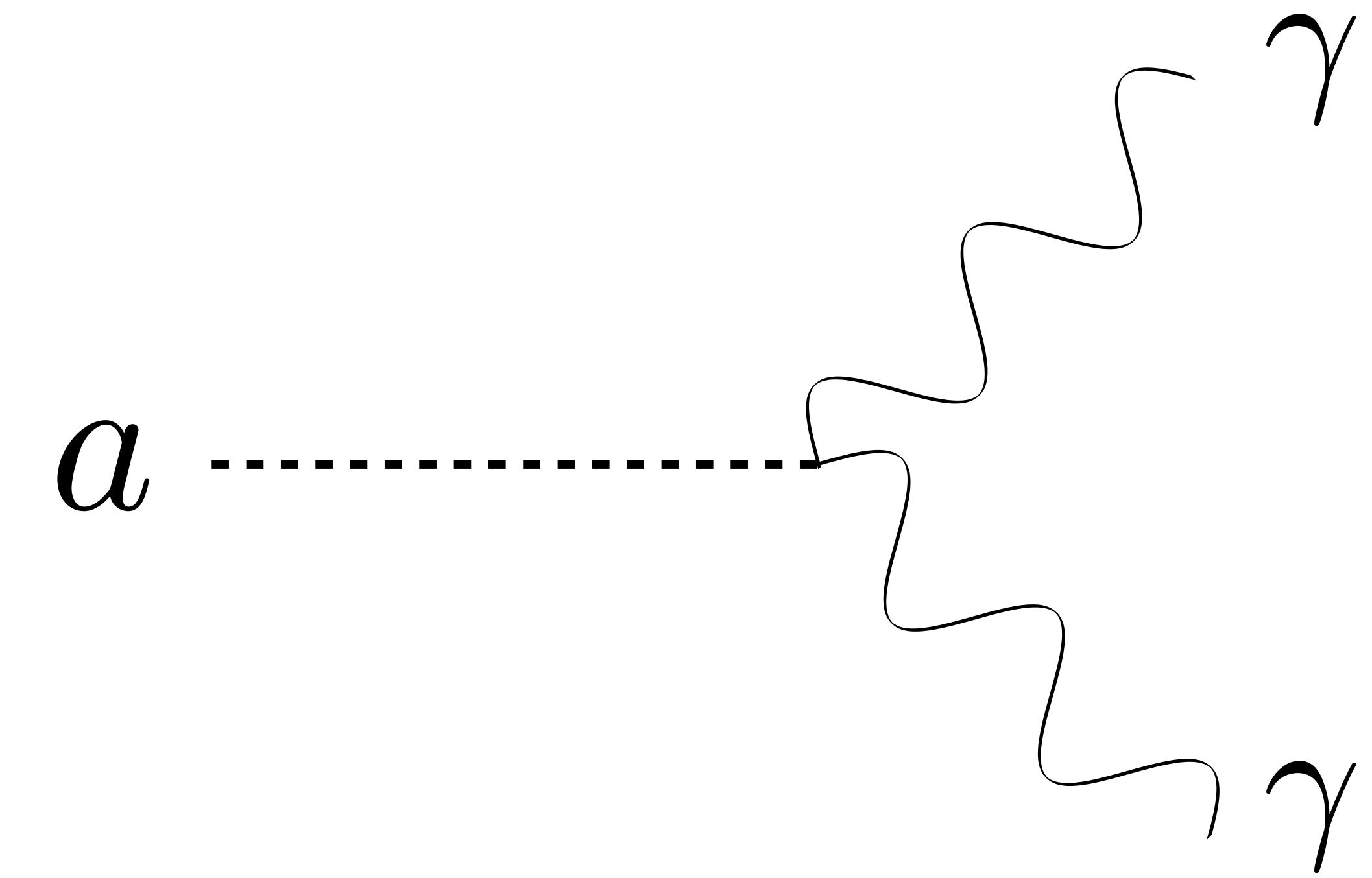
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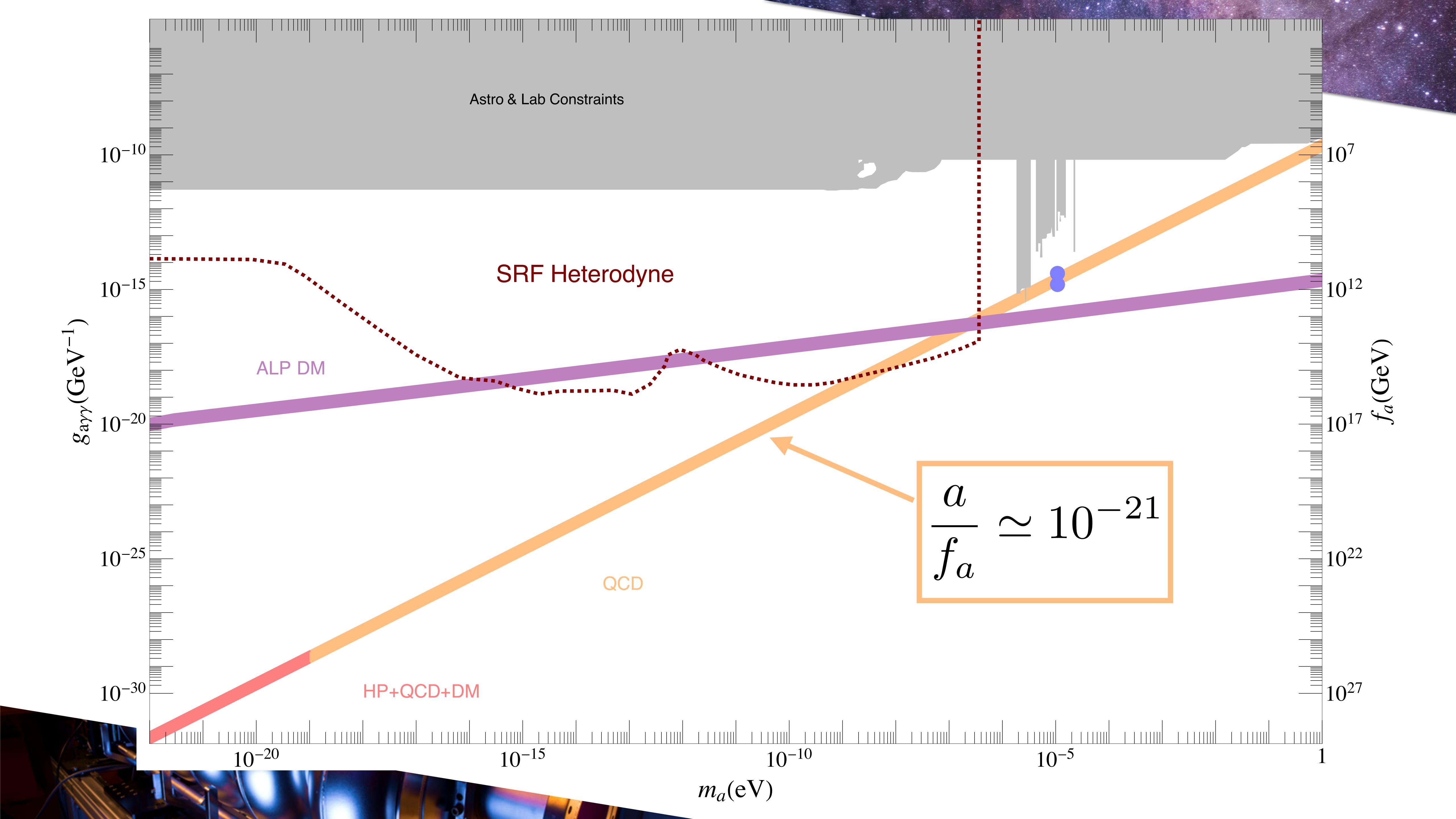
# ALP DARK MATTER IN THE LAB

$$a(t) \simeq \frac{\sqrt{2\rho_{\text{DM}}}}{m_a} \cos(m_a t + \phi)$$

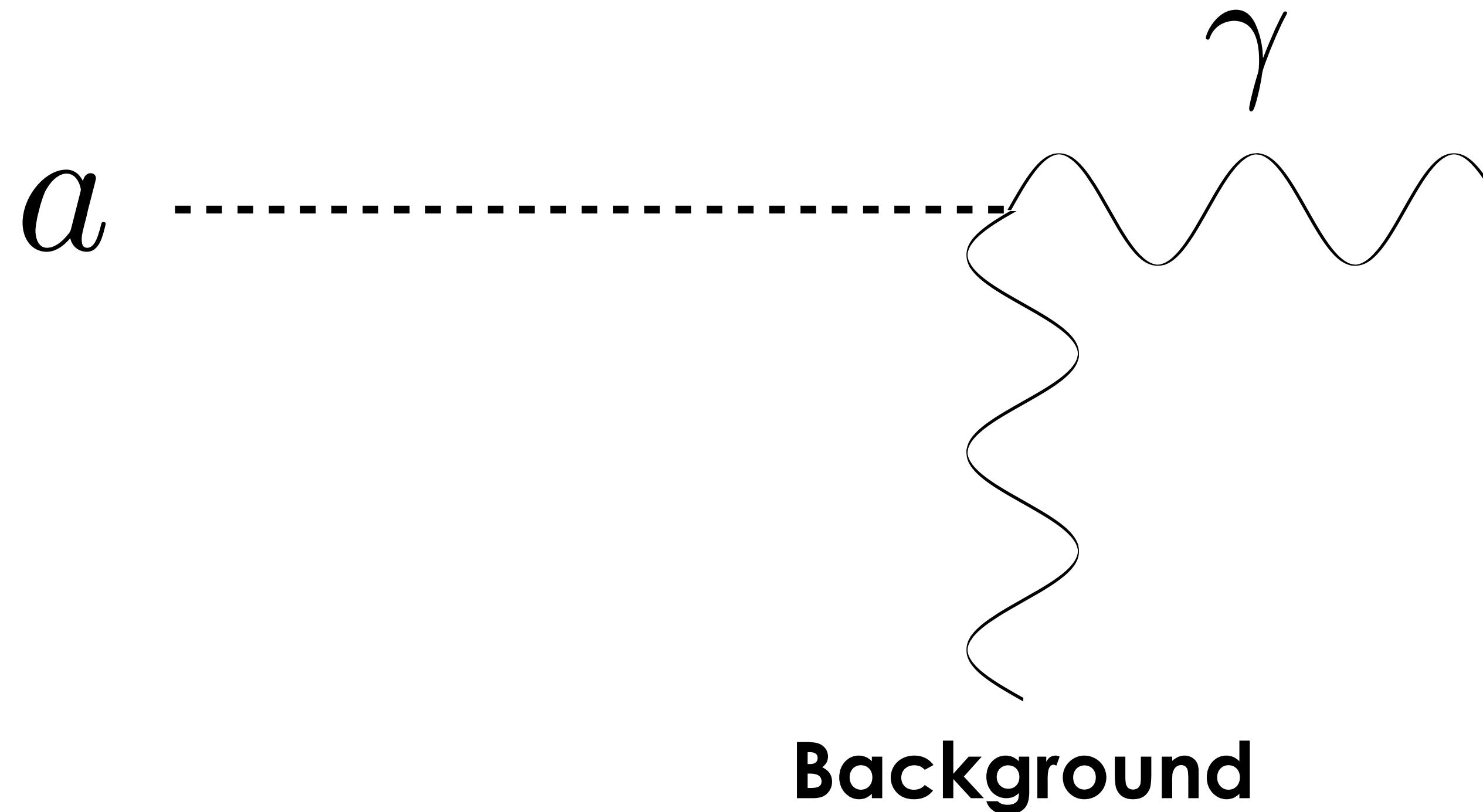
$$\Delta t \lesssim \frac{10^6}{m_a}$$

# ALP DARK MATTER DETECTION





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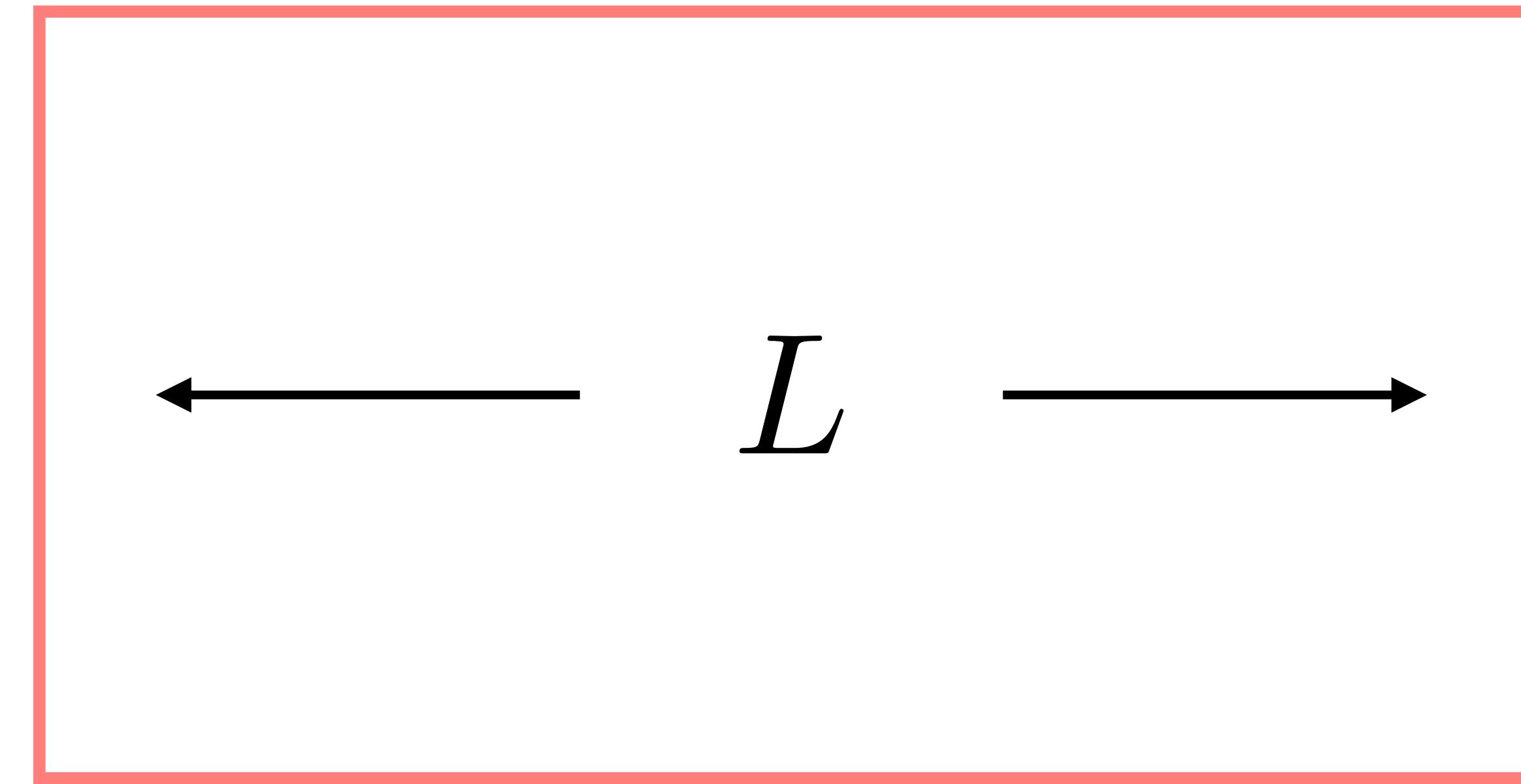


$$\sim \frac{a}{f_a} E_{\text{bkg}} \simeq 10^{-21} E_{\text{bkg}}$$

but you know exactly the waveform  
and the signal is always there

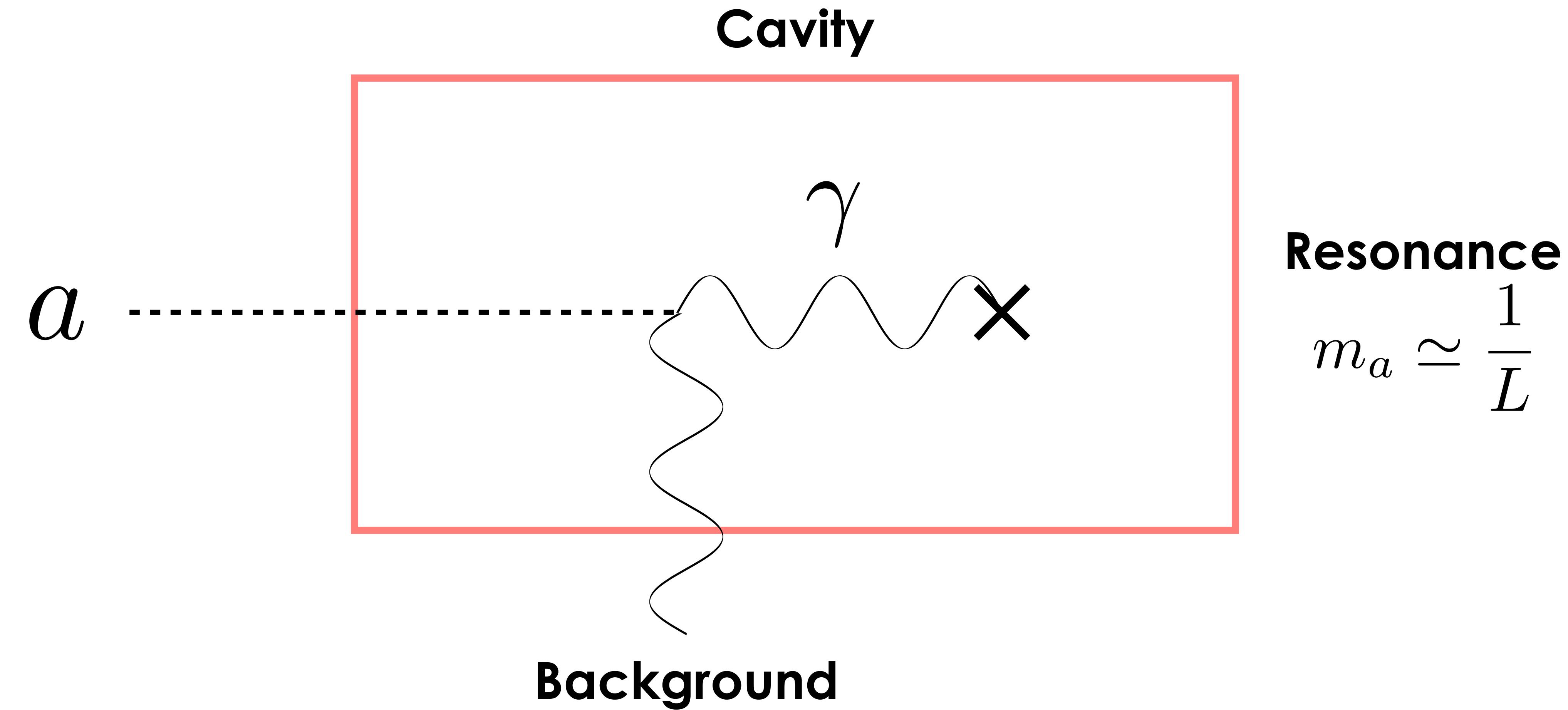
# AXION DARK MATTER DETECTION

**Cavity**



$$m_\gamma \simeq \frac{1}{L}$$

# AXION DARK MATTER DETECTION



$g_{a\gamma\gamma} (\text{GeV}^{-1})$

Astro & Lab Constraints

ALP DM

QCD

HP+QCD+DM

Axion DM

$m_a (\text{eV})$

$10^7$

$10^{12}$

$10^{17}$

$10^{22}$

$10^{27}$

1

$10^{-20}$

$10^{-15}$

$10^{-10}$

$10^{-5}$

**Cavity:**

$$\sum_n \left( \partial_t^2 + \frac{\omega_n}{Q_n} \partial_t + \omega_n^2 \right) \mathbf{E}_n = g_{a\gamma\gamma} \partial_t (\mathbf{B} \partial_t a)$$

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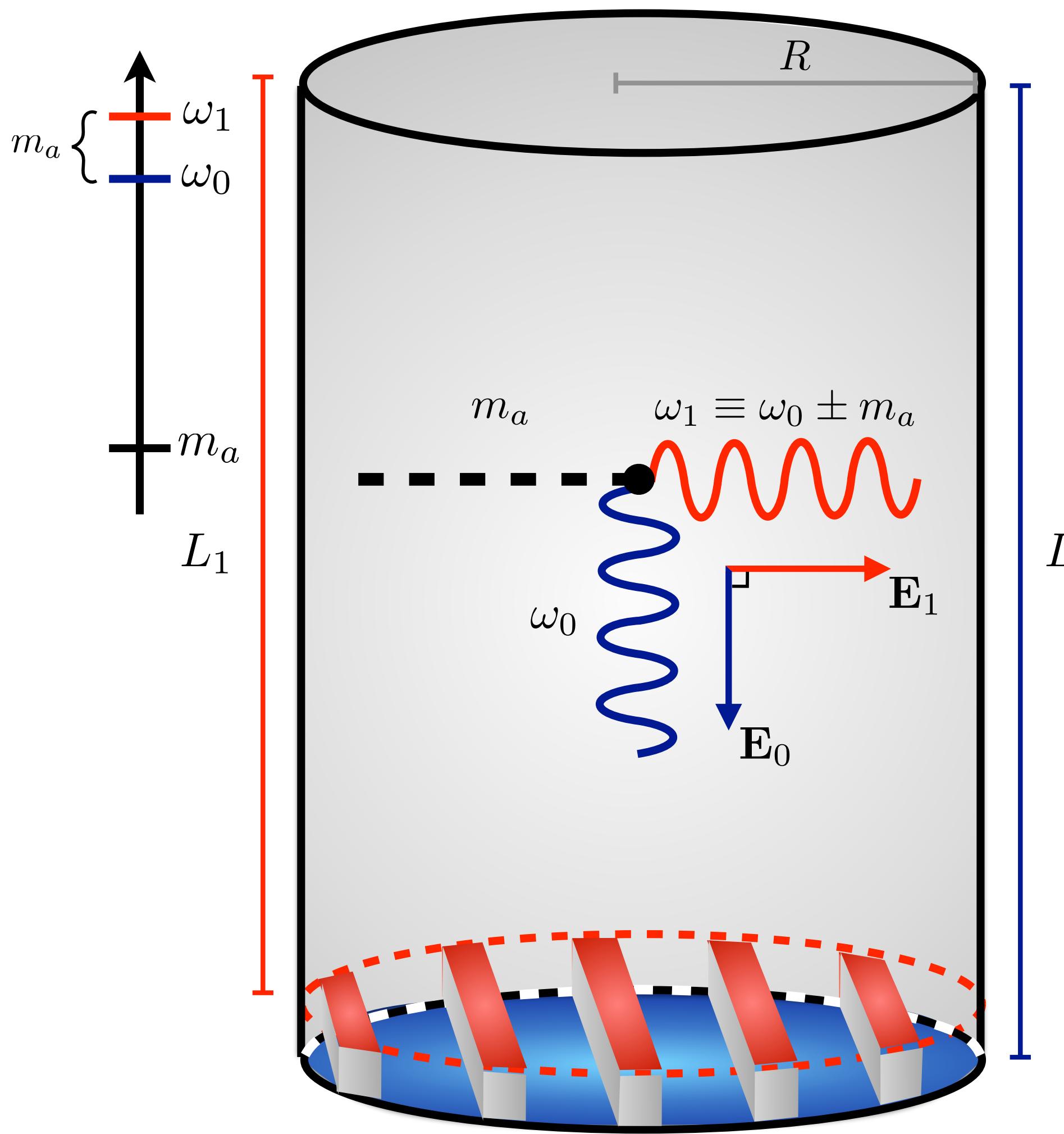
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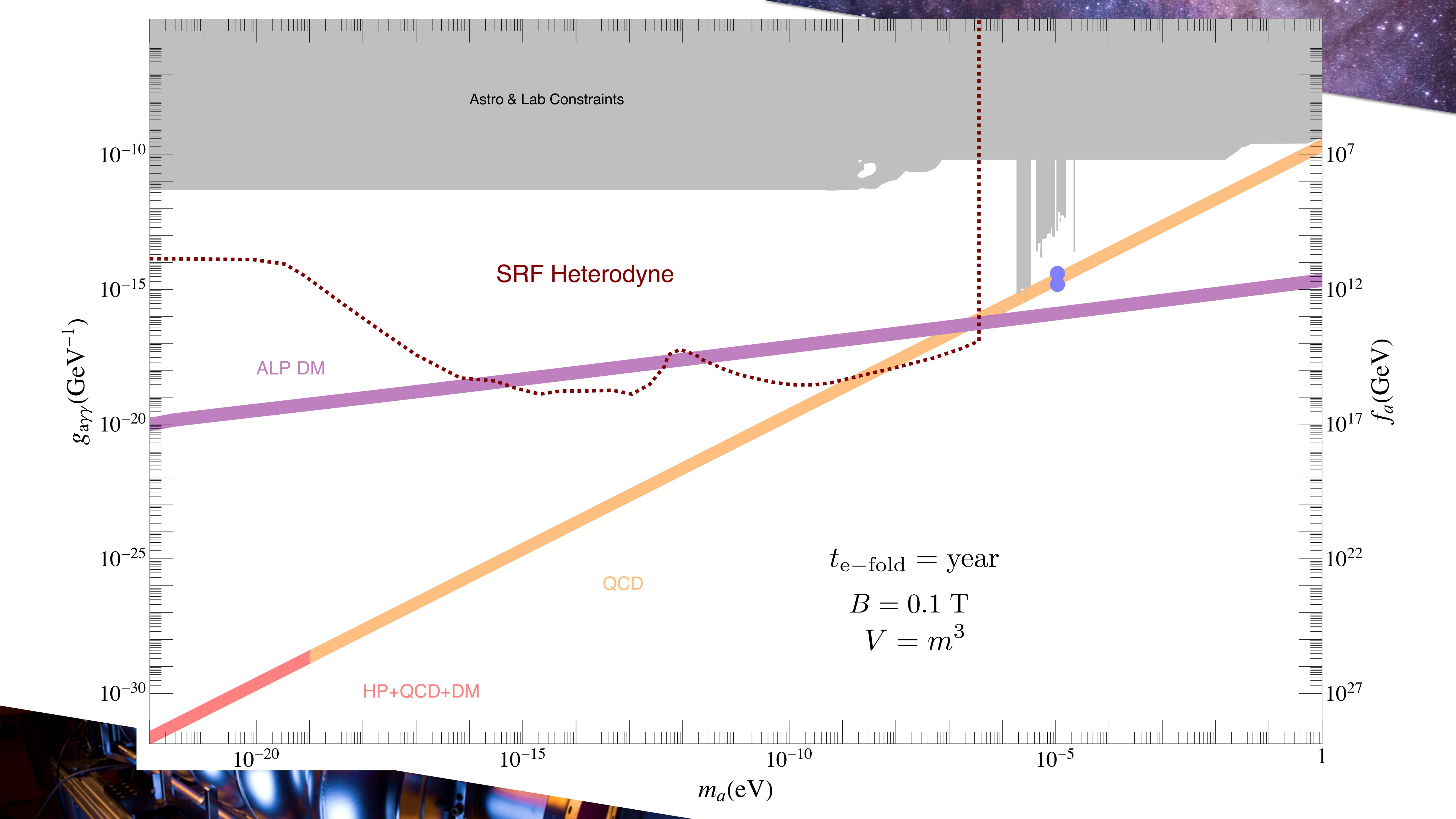
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$$\partial_t (\mathbf{B}) \simeq i\omega_0 \mathbf{B} \quad \omega_1 \simeq \omega_0 + m_a$$

$$\partial_t J_{\text{eff}} = g_{a\gamma\gamma} \partial_t (\mathbf{B} \partial_t a) \propto \omega_0 m_a \gg m_a^2$$



## CRUCIAL INGREDIENTS

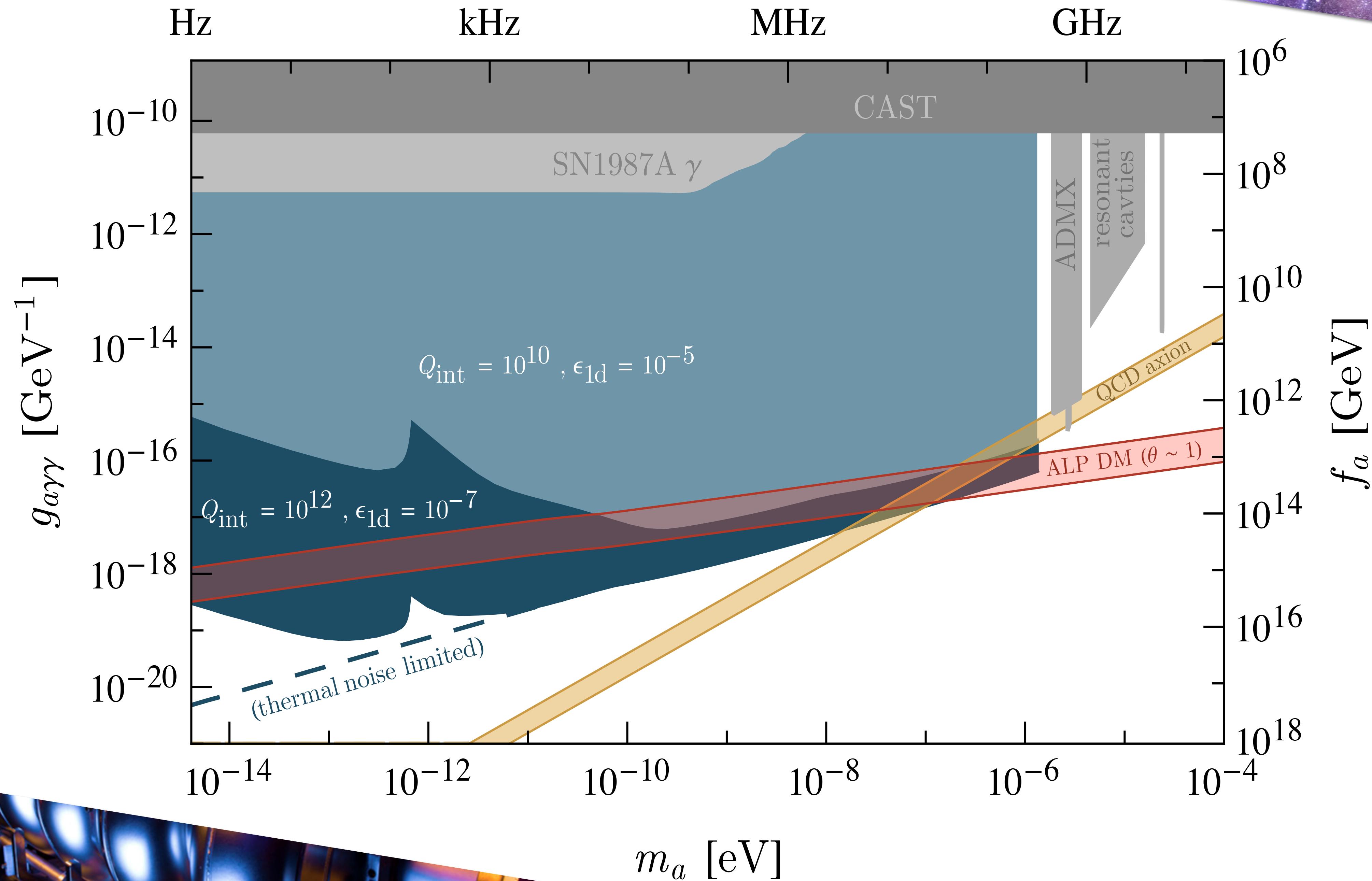
- Large Q (cryogenics)
- Good mode separation  
(clever geometry)
- Tunability

## IMPORTANT INGREDIENTS

- Isolation from vibrations
- Integration time (for axion masses above kHz)

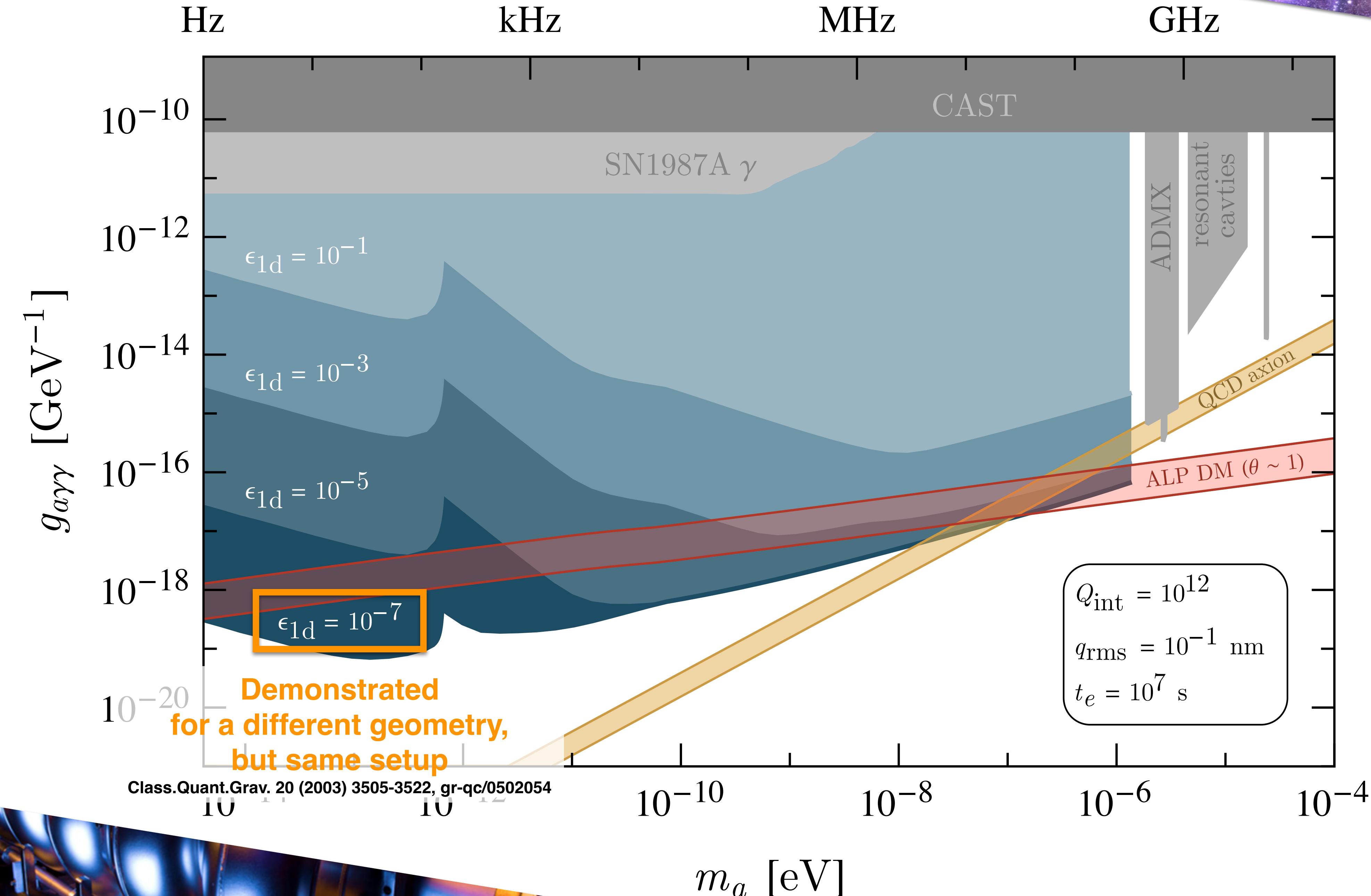
# Q-FACTOR

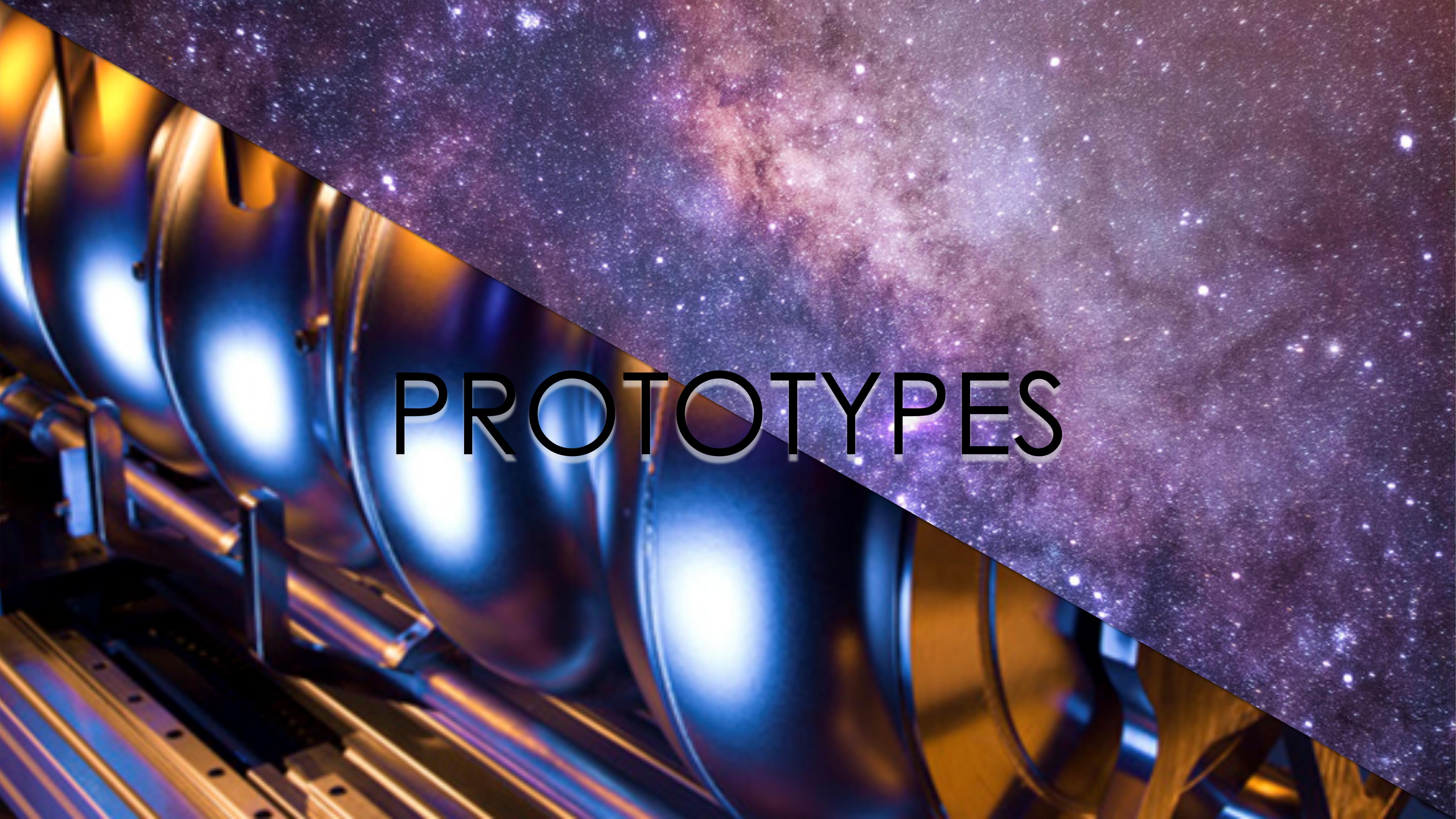
frequency =  $m_a/2\pi$



# MODE SEPARATION

frequency =  $m_a/2\pi$





# PROTOTYPES

# THREE PROTOTYPES





NATIONAL  
ACCELERATOR  
LABORATORY

**Exp:** S. Calatroni, Z. Li, C. Nantista, J. Nielson, M. Oriunno, S. Tantawi

**Th:** R.T. D'Agnolo, S. Ellis, P. Schuster, N. Toro, K. Zhou

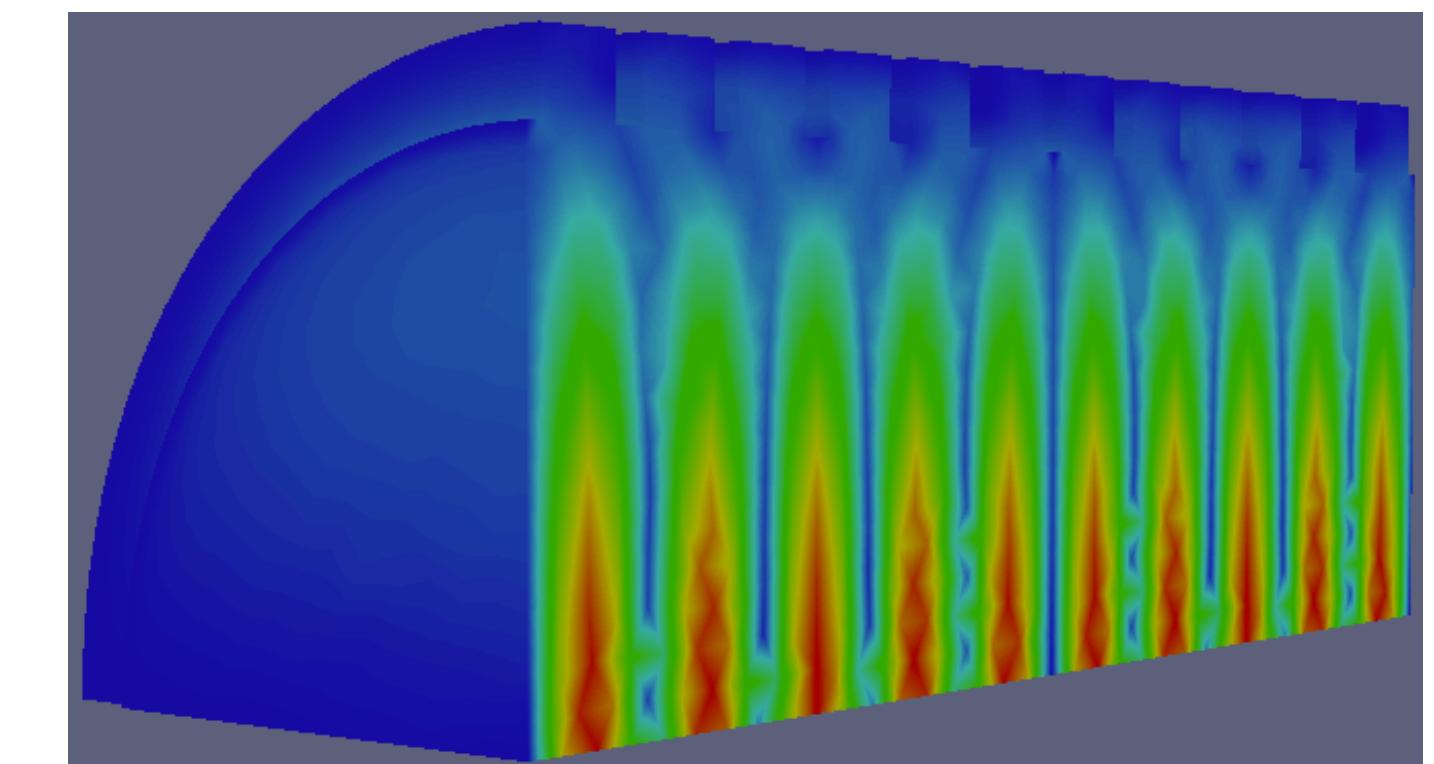
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## **HE11 mode**

- Corrugated wave guide
- Both E and B field transverse to the direction of propagation
- Both E and B field concentrated around the center of the cavity
- High Q
  - Very low field on the outer wall
  - Most of EM loss on the ends

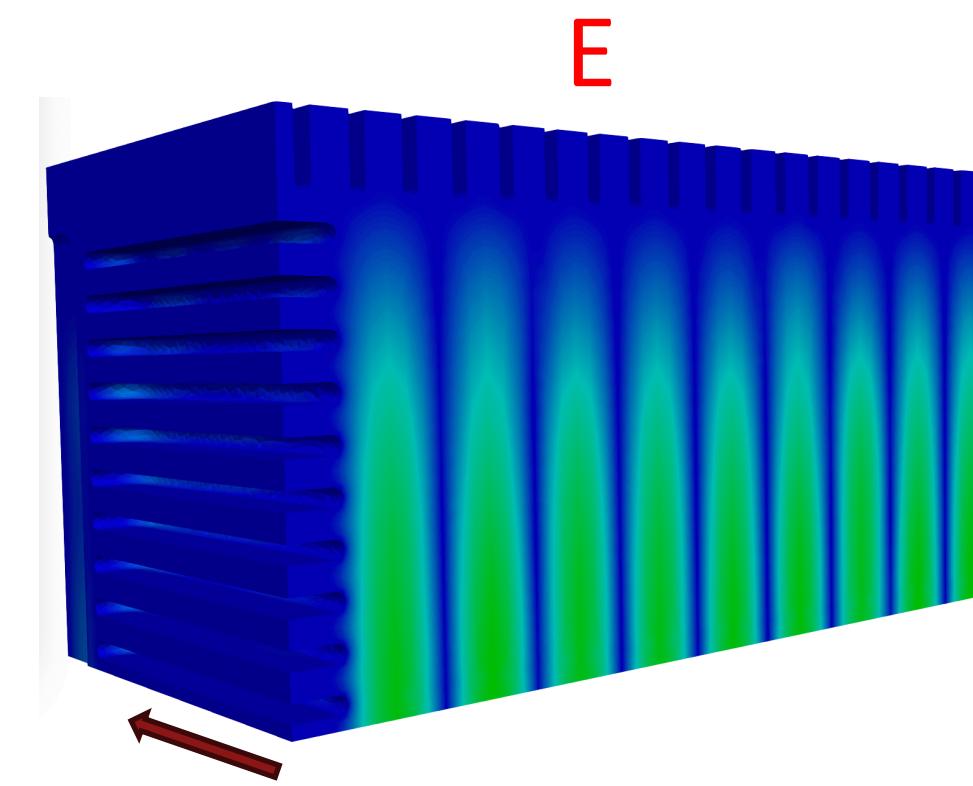




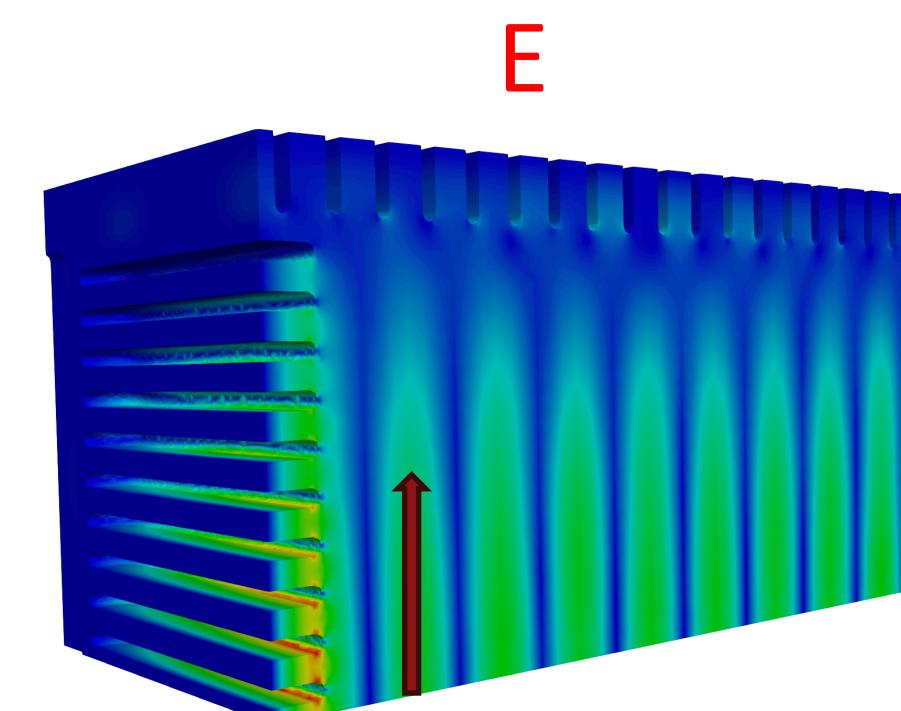
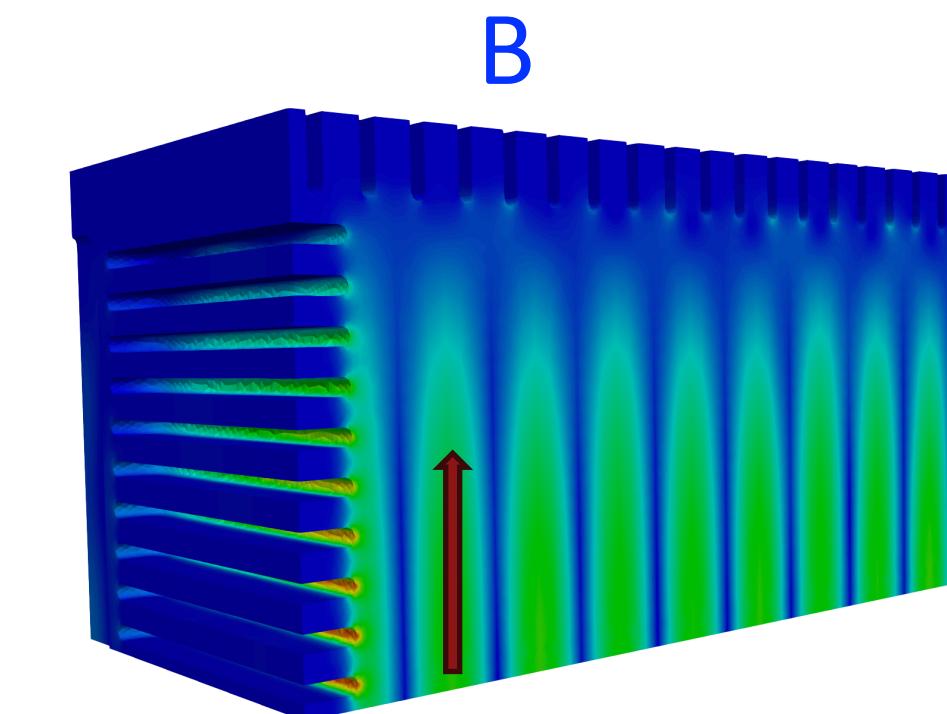
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1/4 wavelength fins on the endplates

X-polarization



B



B

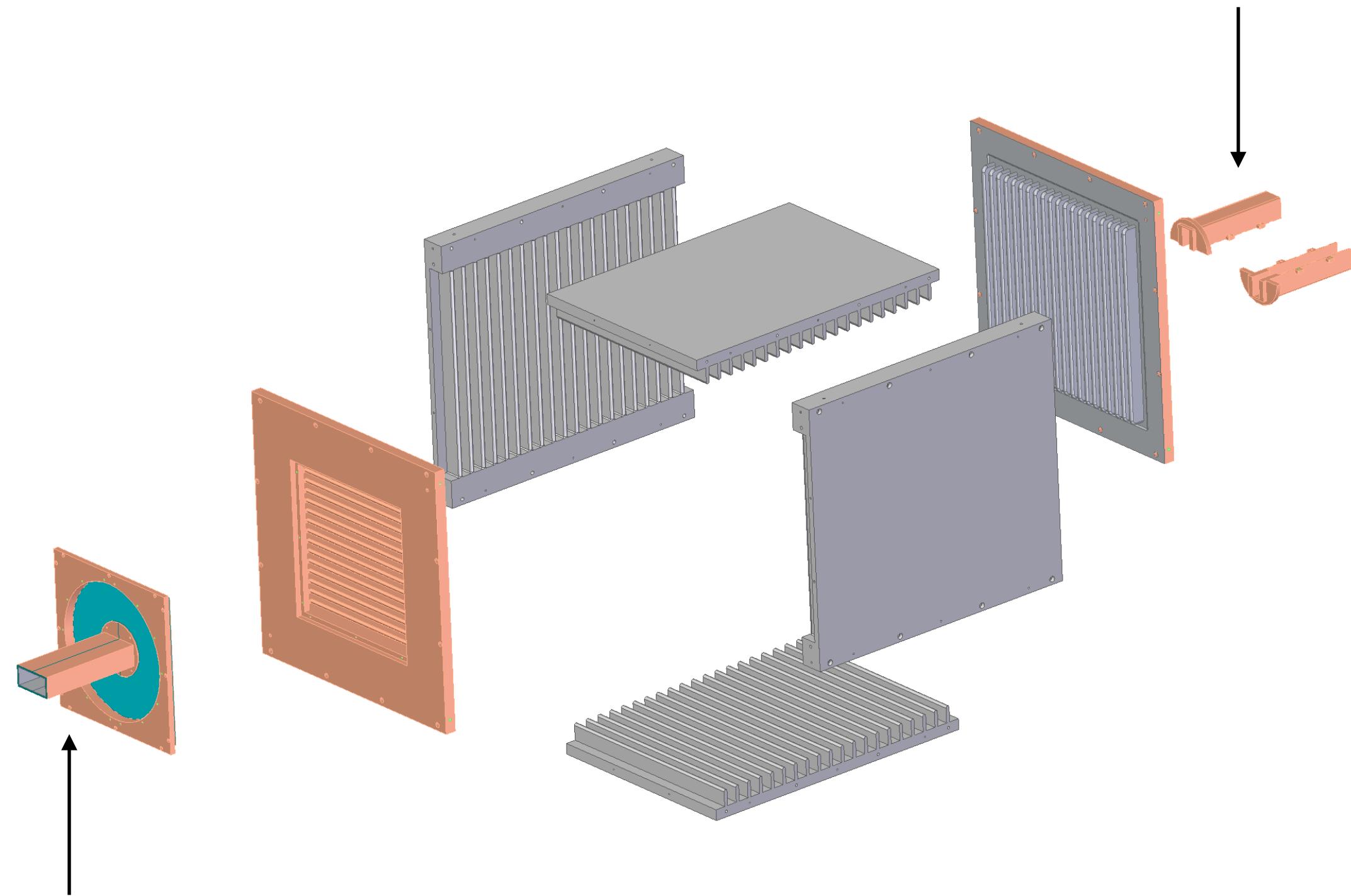
Y-polarization



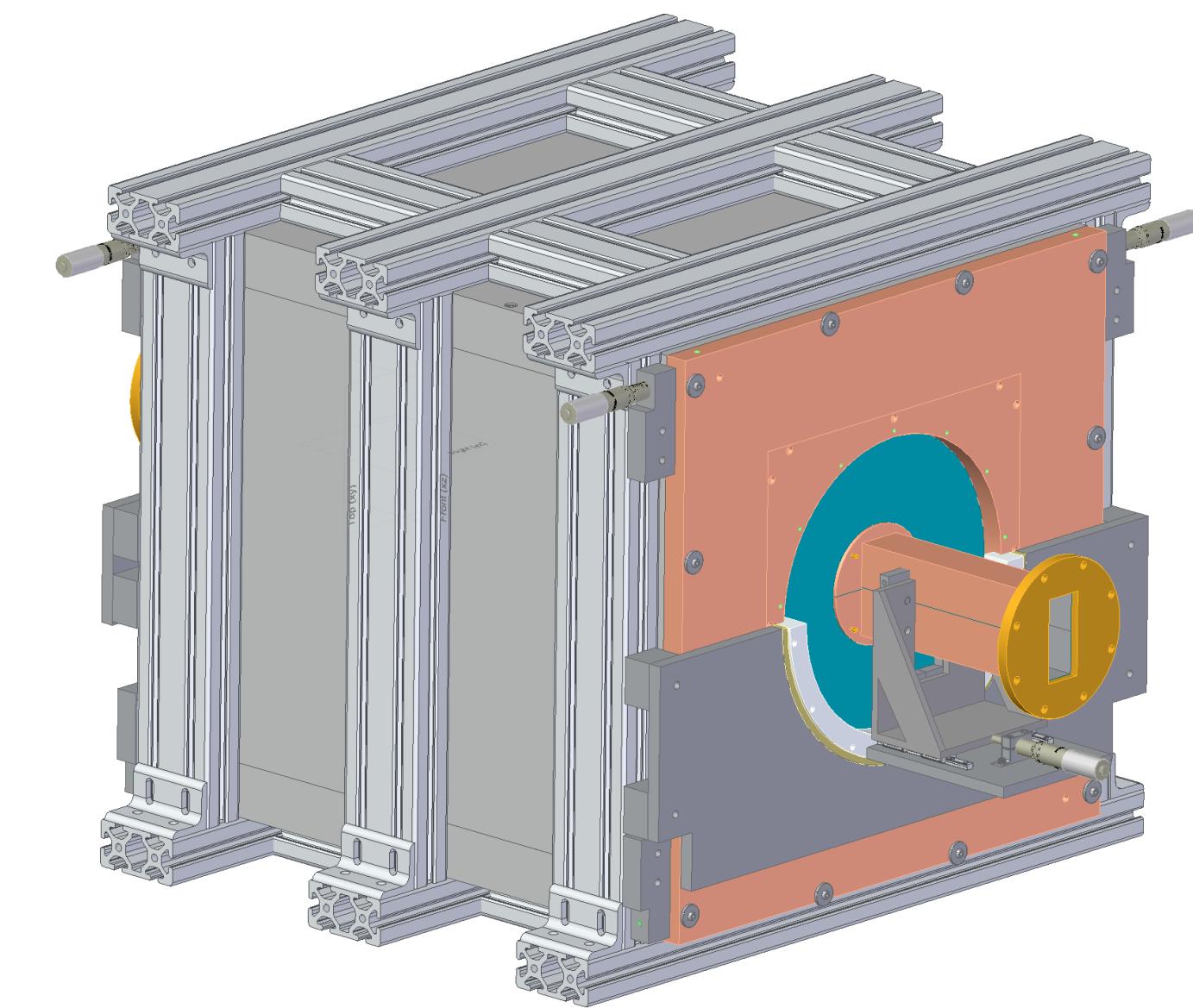


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Tunable mode coupler

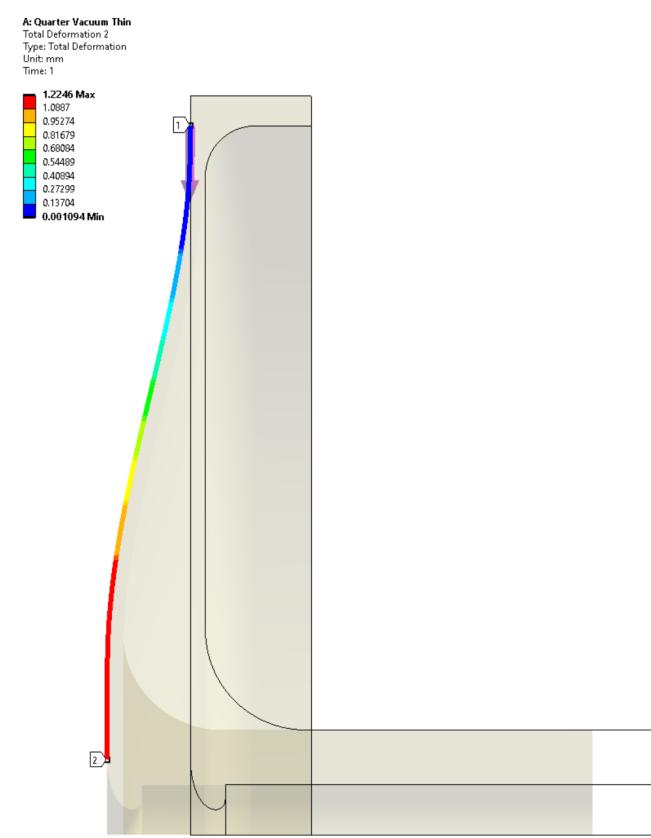
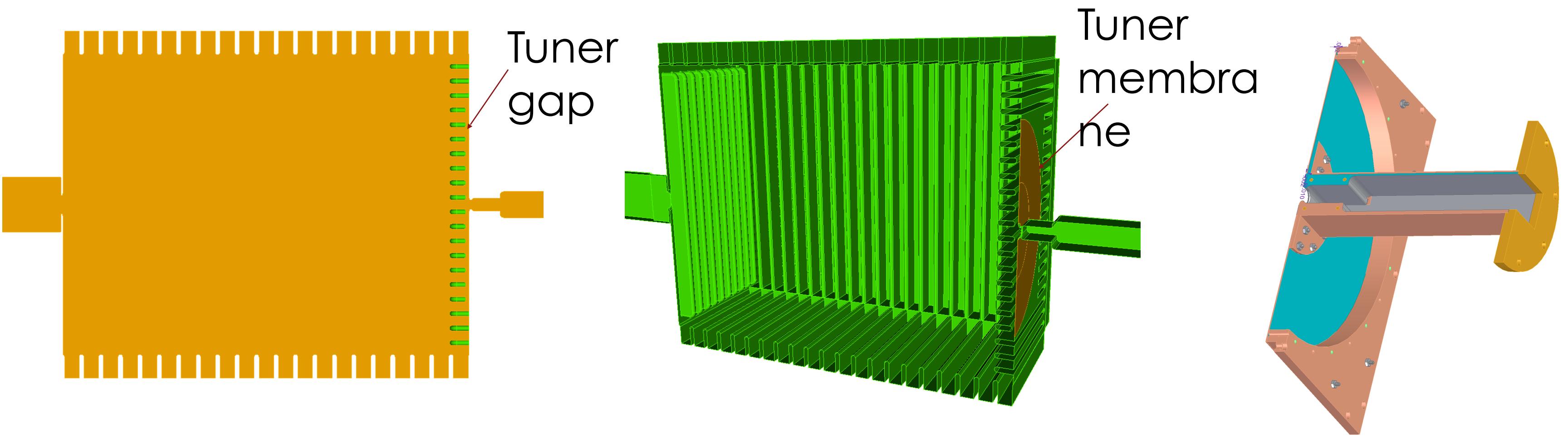


Fixed mode coupler





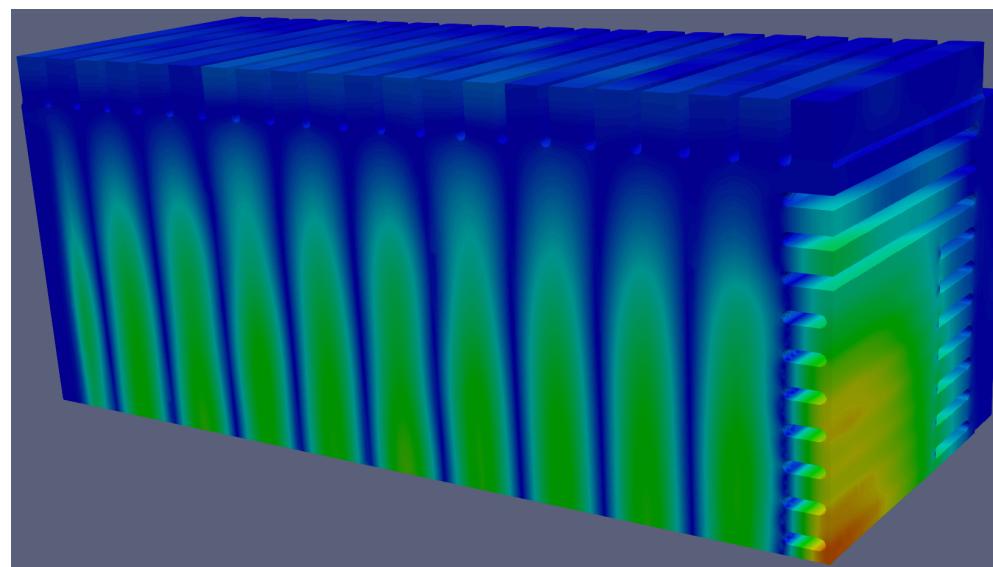
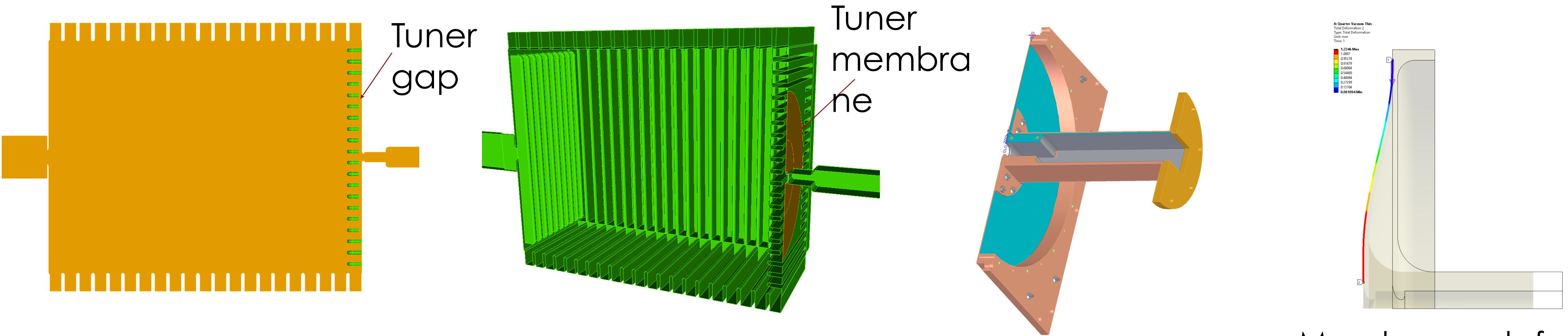
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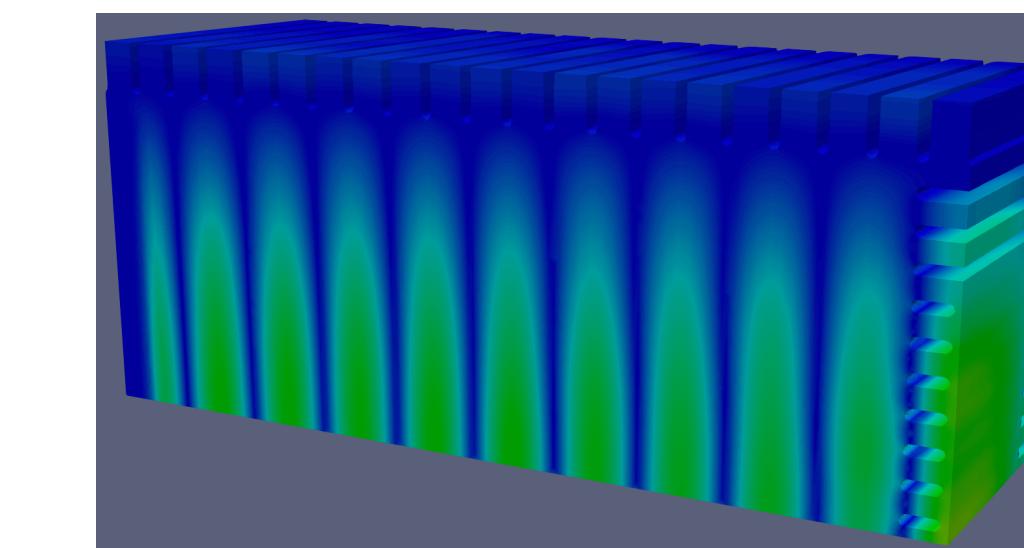
Membrane deformation



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gap = -1mm  
 $f \sim 2.8564$  GHz



gap = +1mm  
 $f \sim 2.8445$  GHz

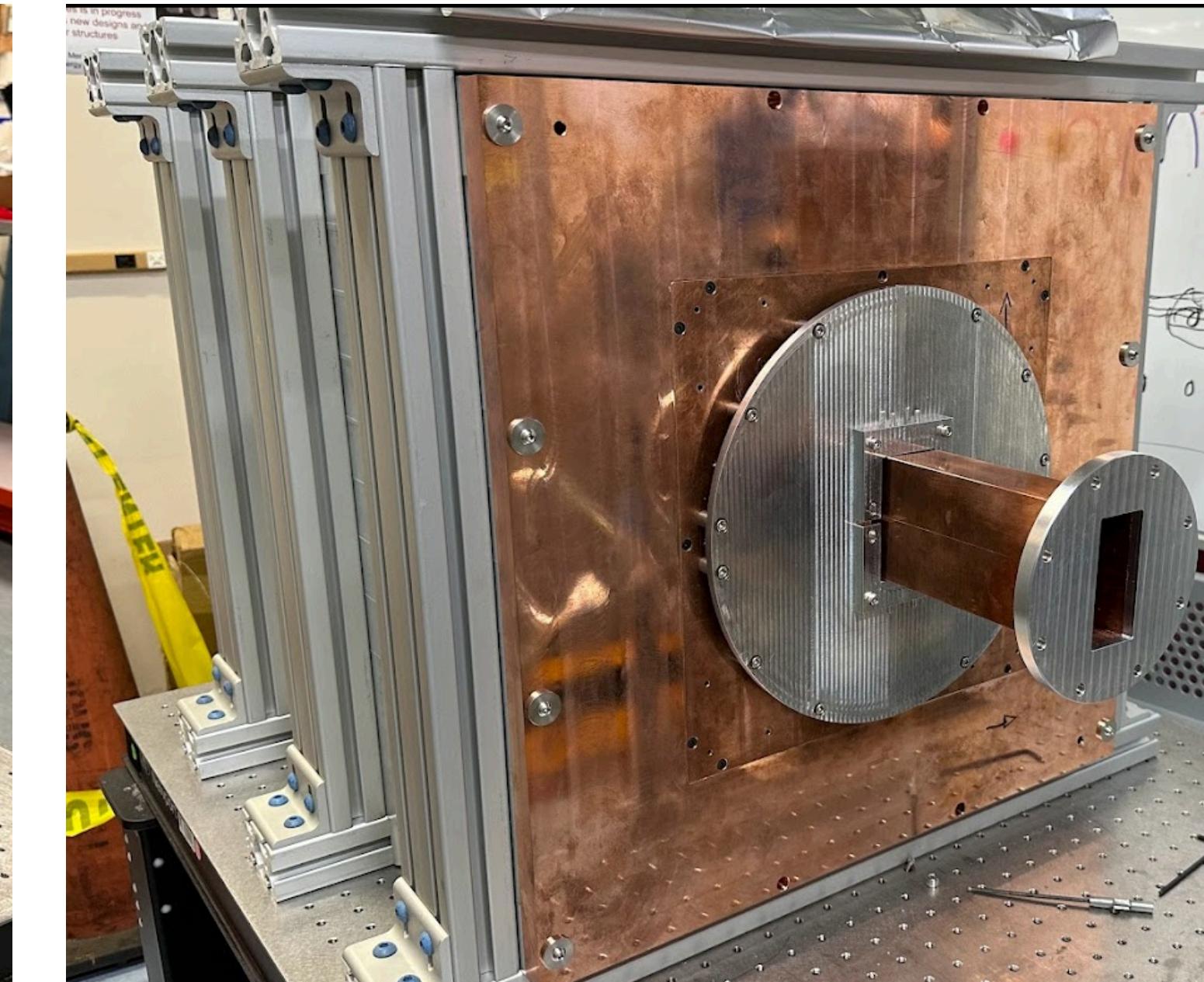
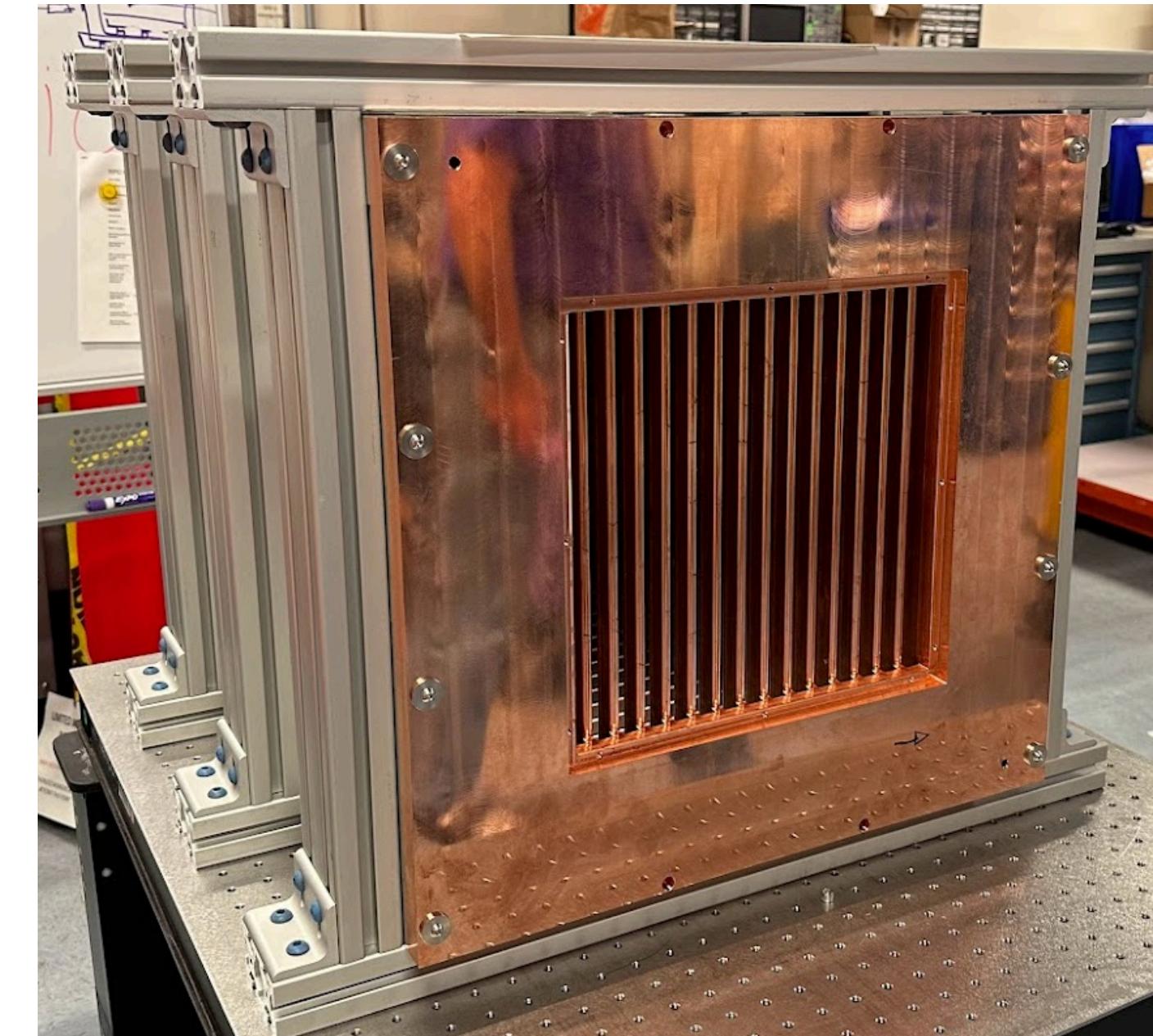


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Coupler of fixed frequency mode



Coupler and tuner of tunable mode



$$(*) \quad Q \simeq 3.5 \times 10^4$$

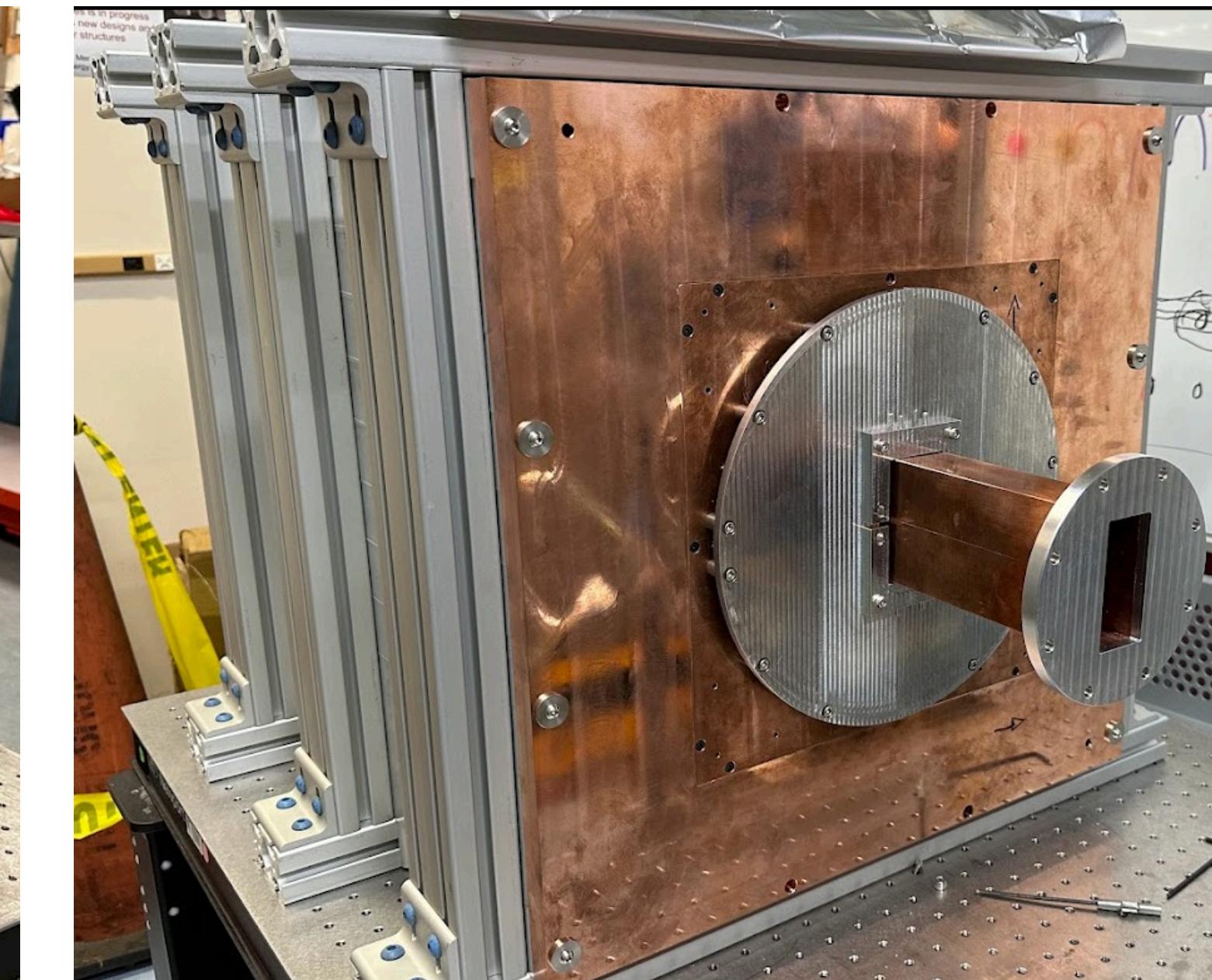
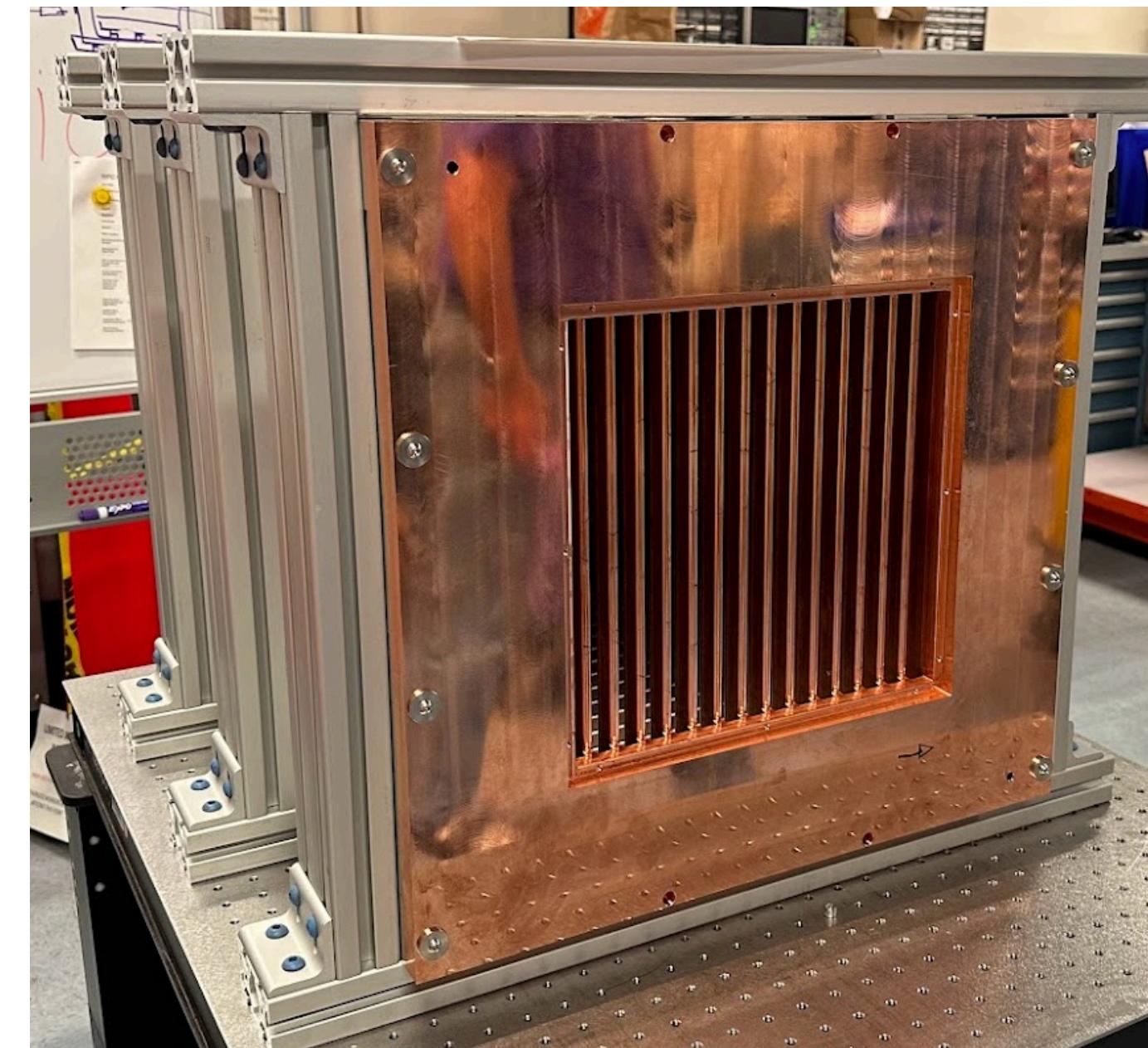
$$V \simeq (0.48 \times 0.46 \times 0.46) \text{ m}^3$$

$$T \simeq 300 \text{ K}$$

$$\epsilon_{1d} \simeq 10^{-3}$$

$$\omega \simeq 3 \text{ GHz}$$

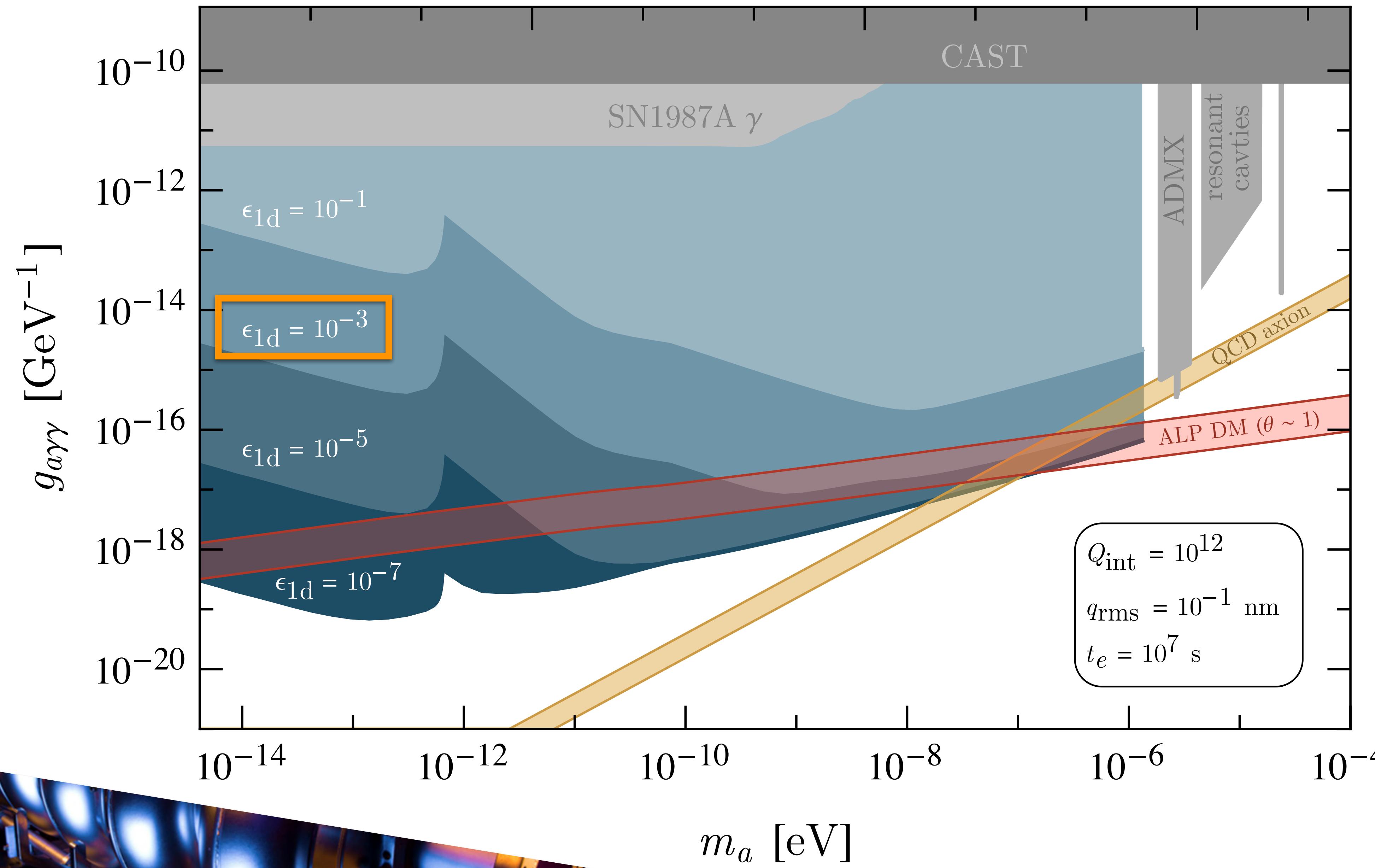
(\*) loaded non-tunable mode



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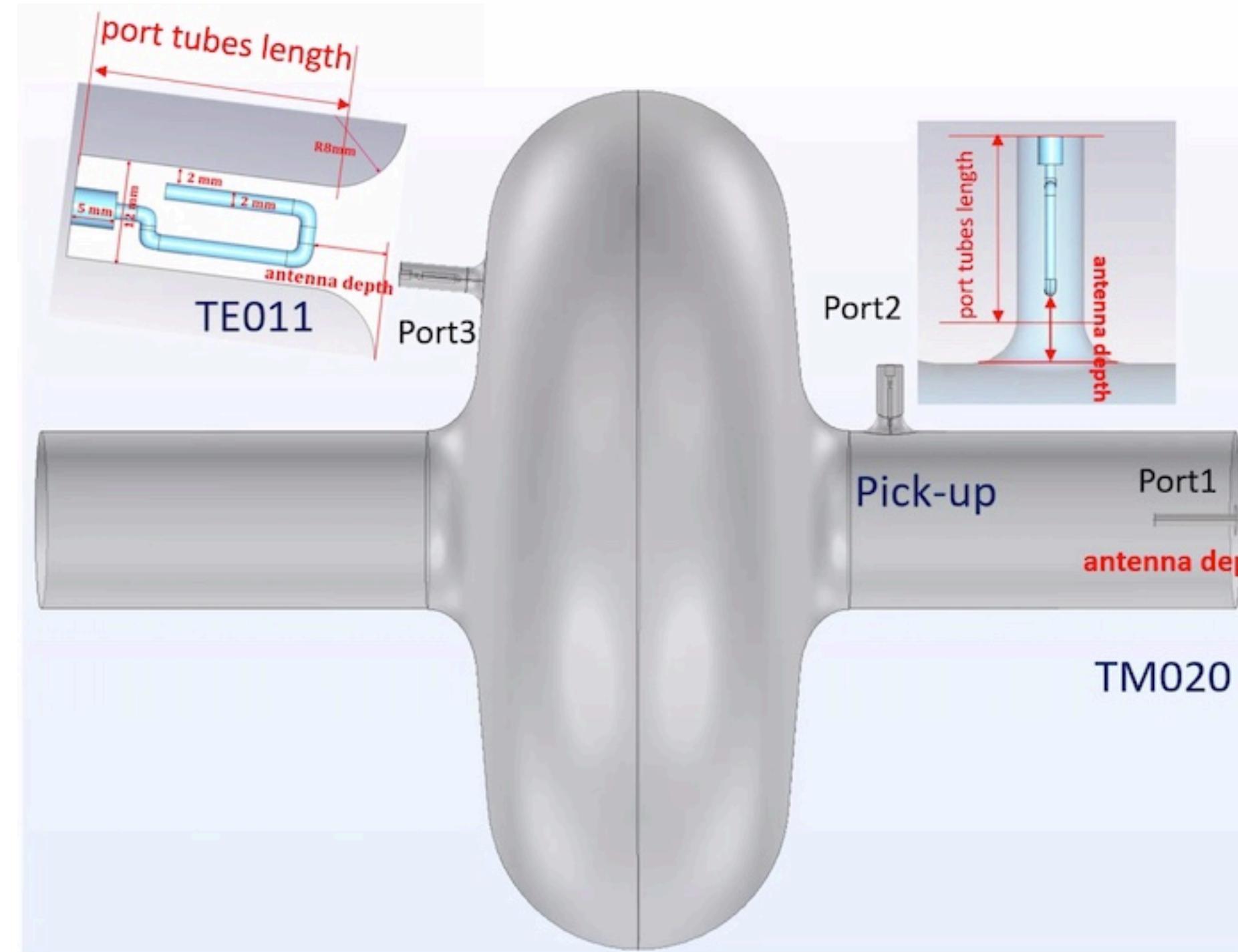
MHz

GHz



SQMS Team

Parameters based on informal conversations

**VERY PRELIMINARY!**

$$Q \simeq 10^{10} \text{ (loaded)}$$

$$V \simeq 10 \text{ L}$$

$$\omega_0 \gtrsim \text{GHz}$$

$$T \simeq 4 \text{ K}$$

$$\epsilon_d \simeq ?$$

The potential sensitivity is beyond current bounds



Small Collaboration (to be confirmed)

**Exp:** A. Grudiev, J. Bremer, S. Calatroni, A. Castilla, A. MacPherson + 1 Fellow from PBC

**Th:** R.T. D'Agnolo, S. Ellis

Material Budget: 450 kCHF/3 years from QTI

Design to be confirmed

Superconducting cavity operated at cryogenic temperatures

# CONCLUSION

- A powerful theoretical idea with the potential of exploring the biggest region of unexplored axion parameter space, including two orders of magnitude on the QCD line
- Still much to do on the experimental side (join us!)
- The first prototype to take data (SLAC) is giving very encouraging results

# **BACKUP**



NATIONAL  
ACCELERATOR  
LABORATORY

$$E_\phi = -\frac{k_0}{k_\perp} \left( m \frac{k_z}{k_0} \frac{J_m(k_\perp r)}{k_\perp r} + \Lambda J'_m(k_\perp r) \right) \sin m\phi$$

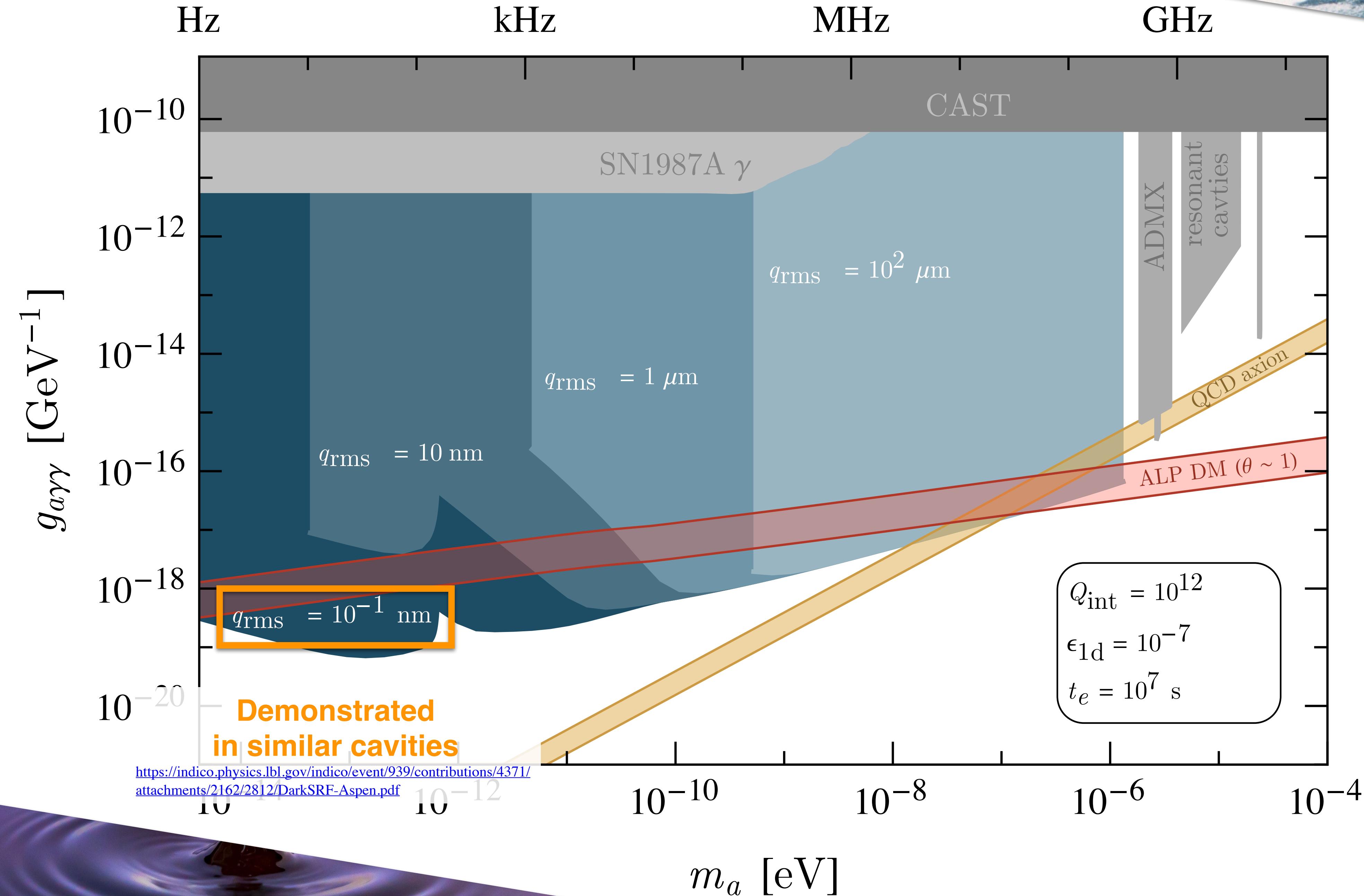
$$E_r = \frac{k_0}{k_\perp} \left( \frac{k_z}{k_0} J'_m(k_\perp r) + m\Lambda \frac{J_m(k_\perp r)}{k_\perp r} \right) \cos m\phi$$

$$H_\phi = \frac{k_0}{\eta_0 k_\perp} \left( J'_m(k_\perp r) + m \frac{k_z}{k_0} \Lambda \frac{J_m(k_\perp r)}{k_\perp r} \right) \cos m\phi,$$

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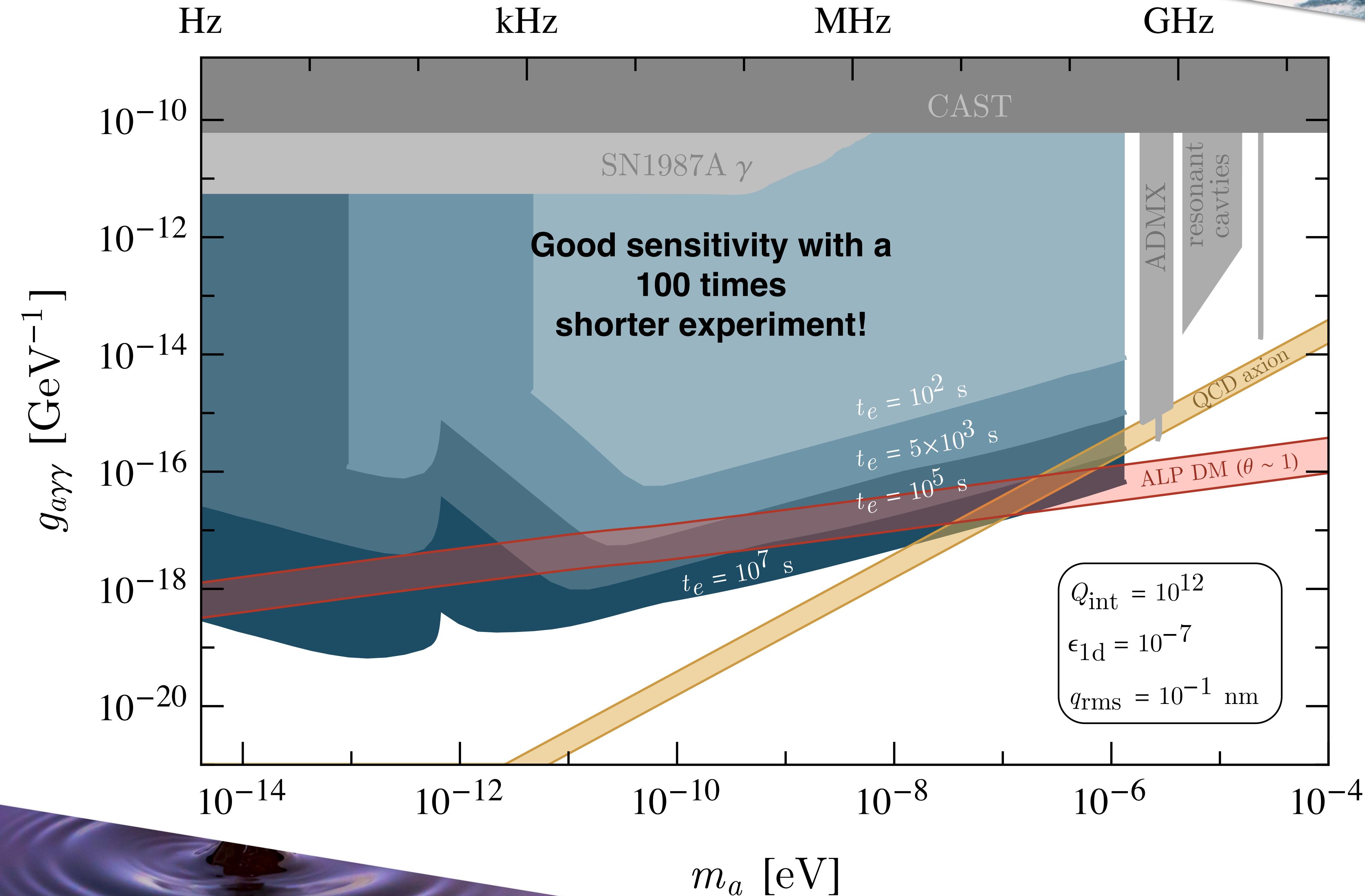
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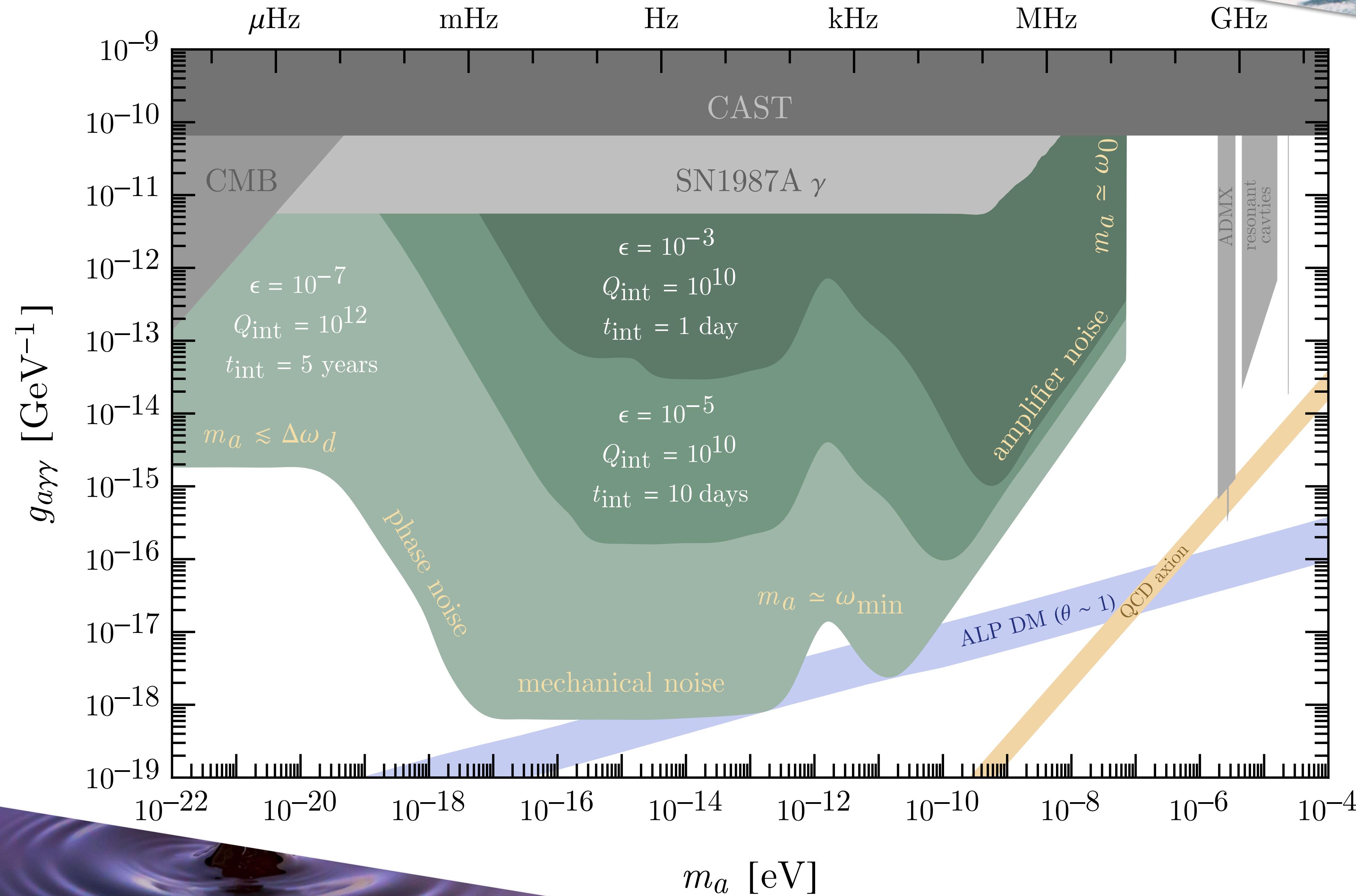
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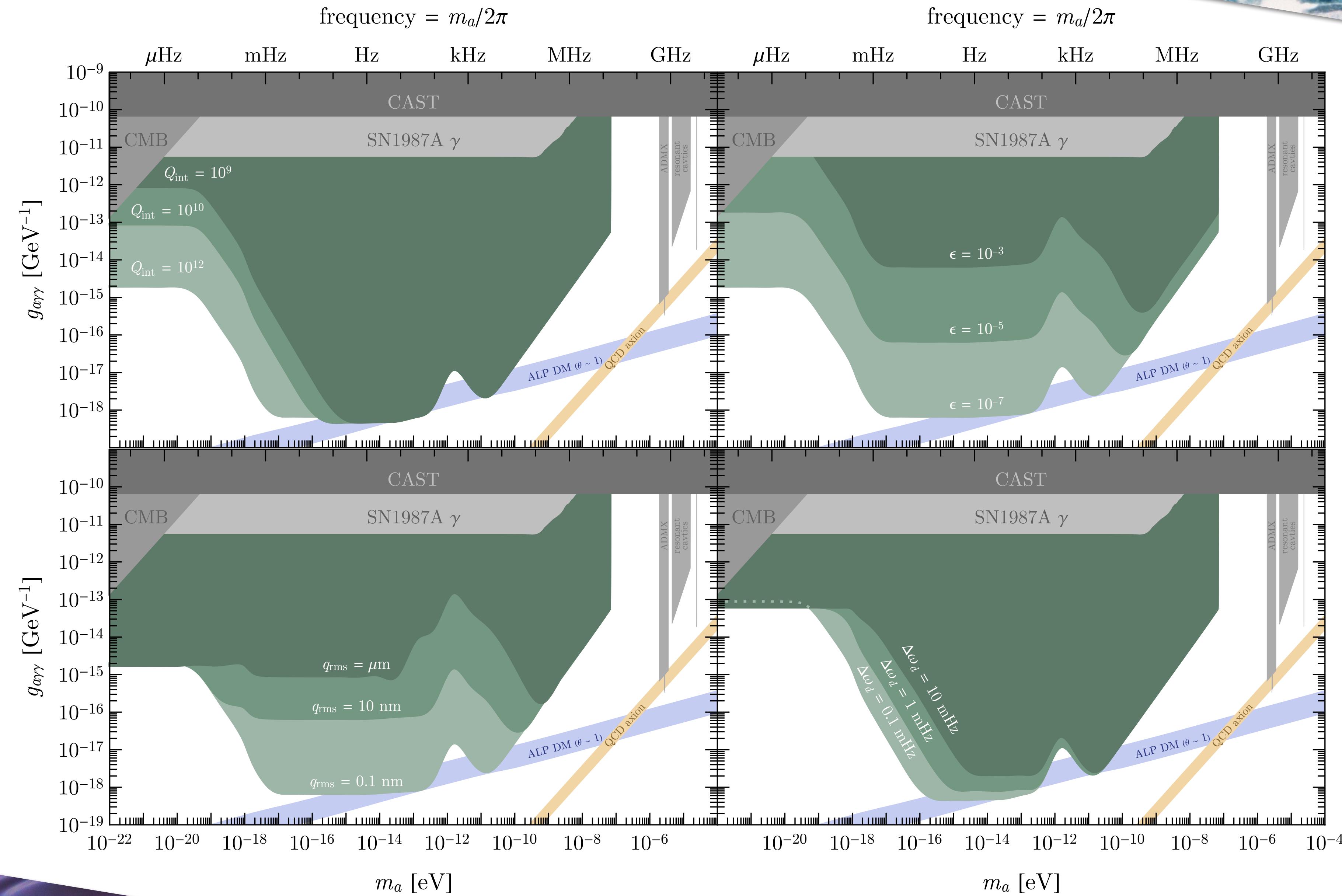


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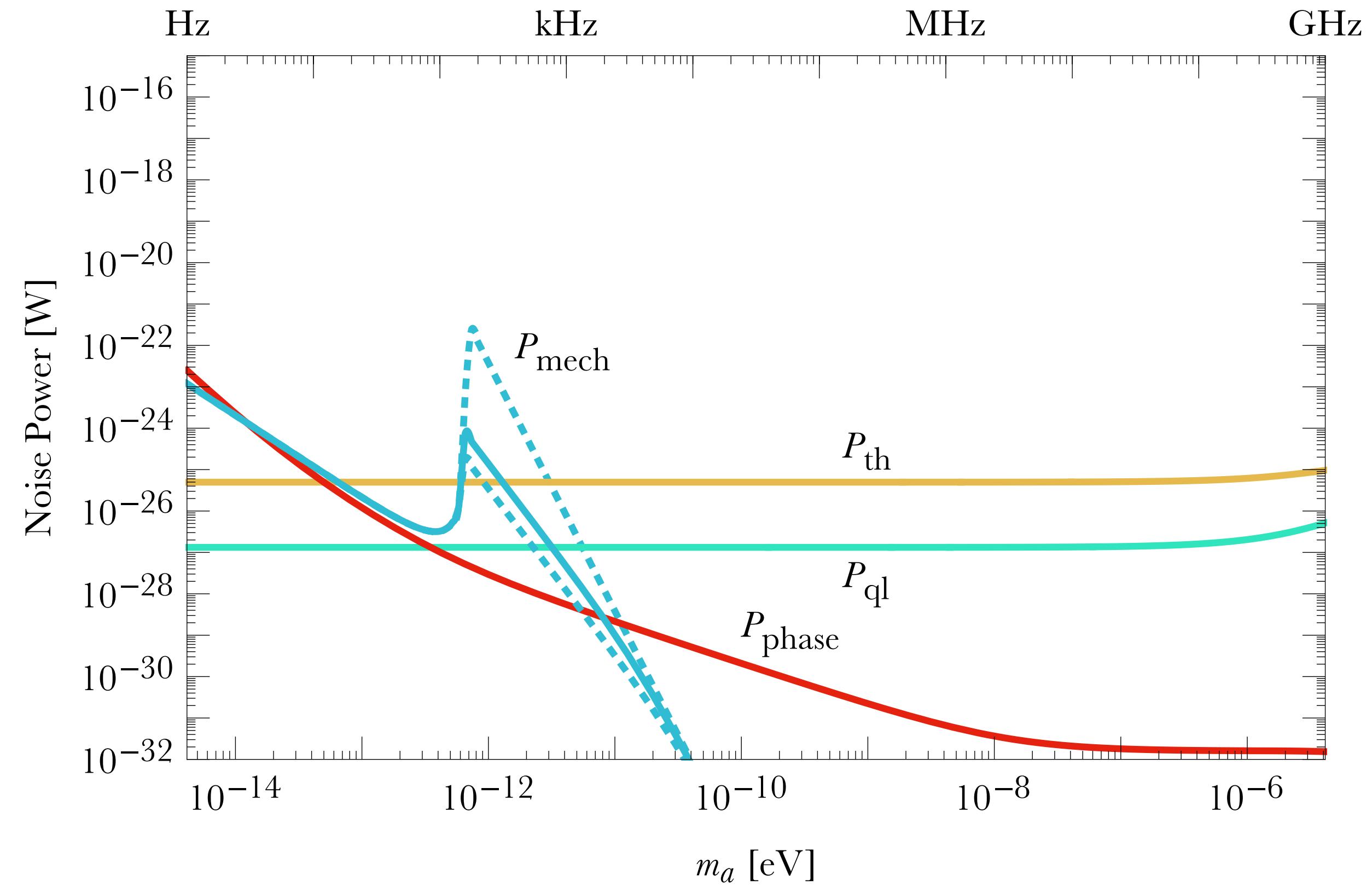






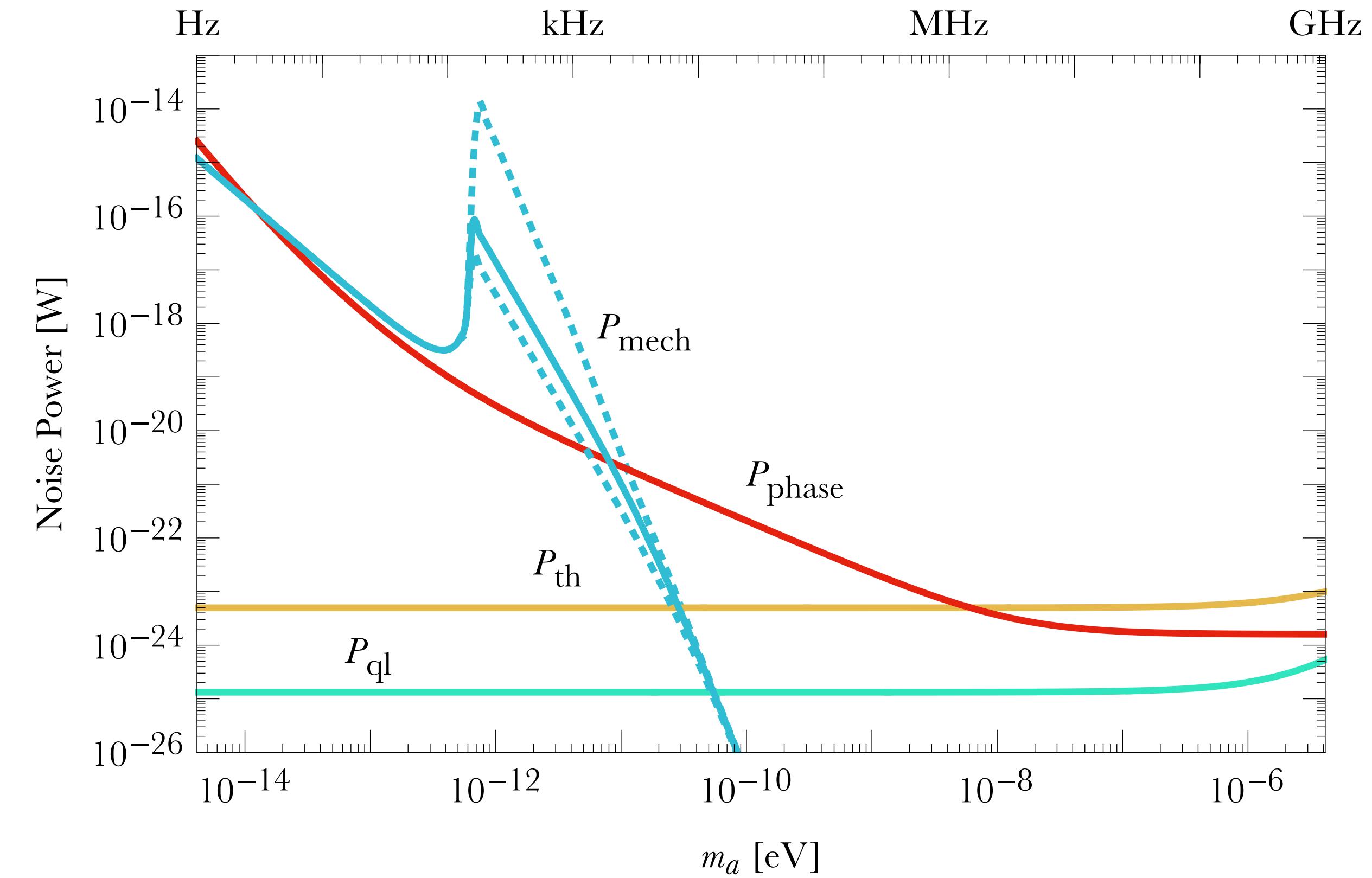
# NOISE PSDs

frequency =  $m_a/2\pi$



$$\epsilon_{1d} = 10^{-7}, \quad Q = 10^{12}$$

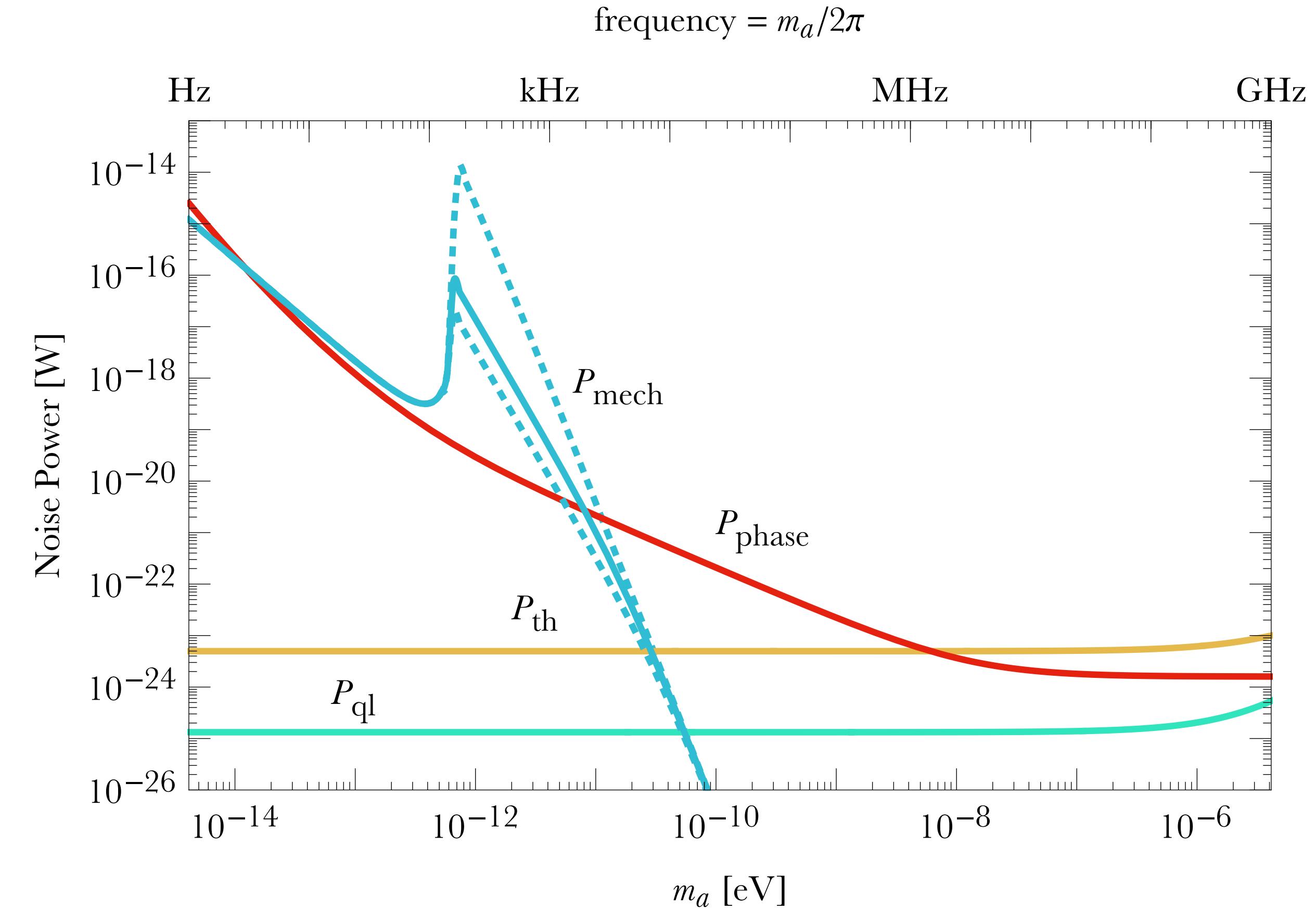
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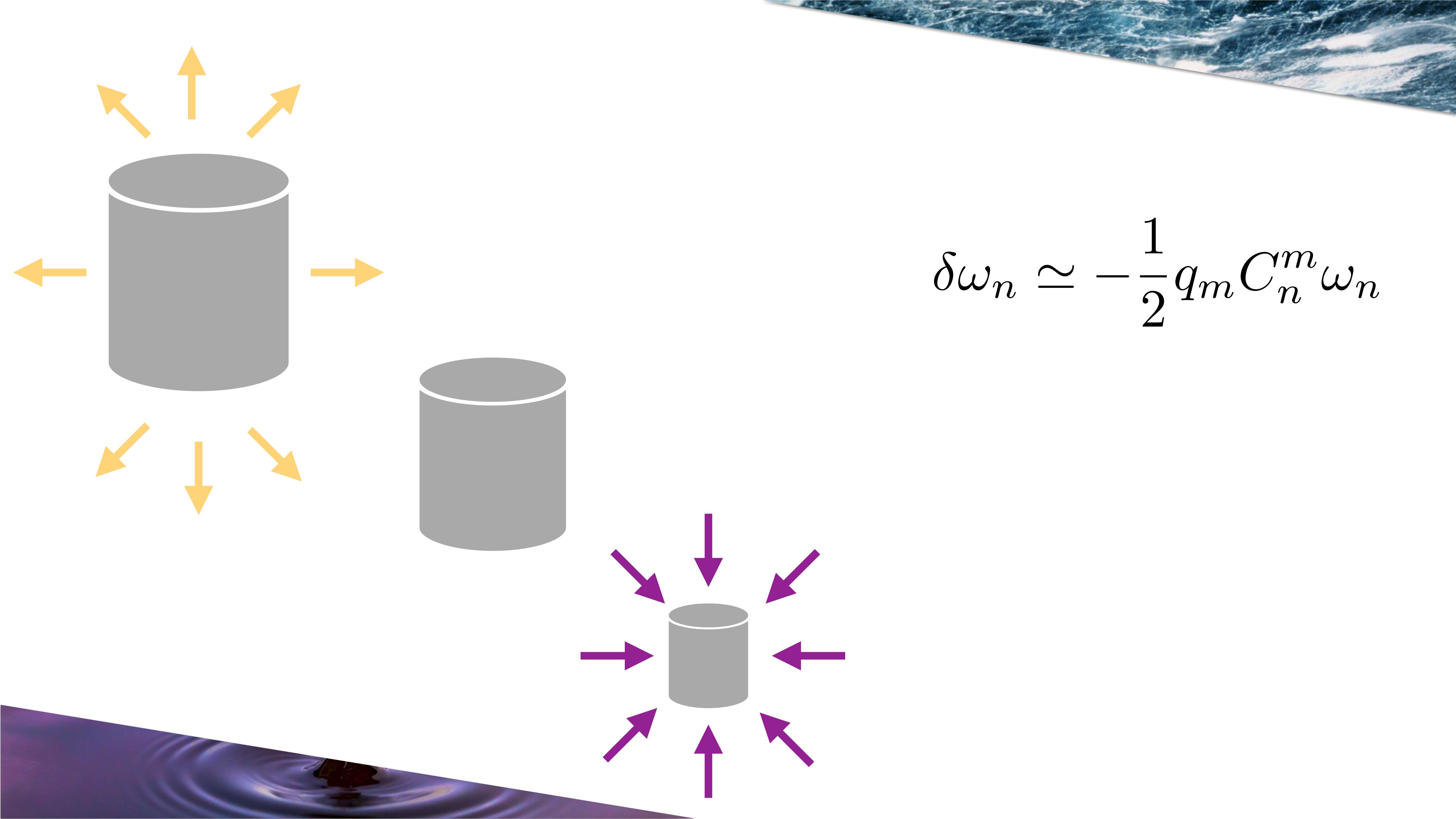
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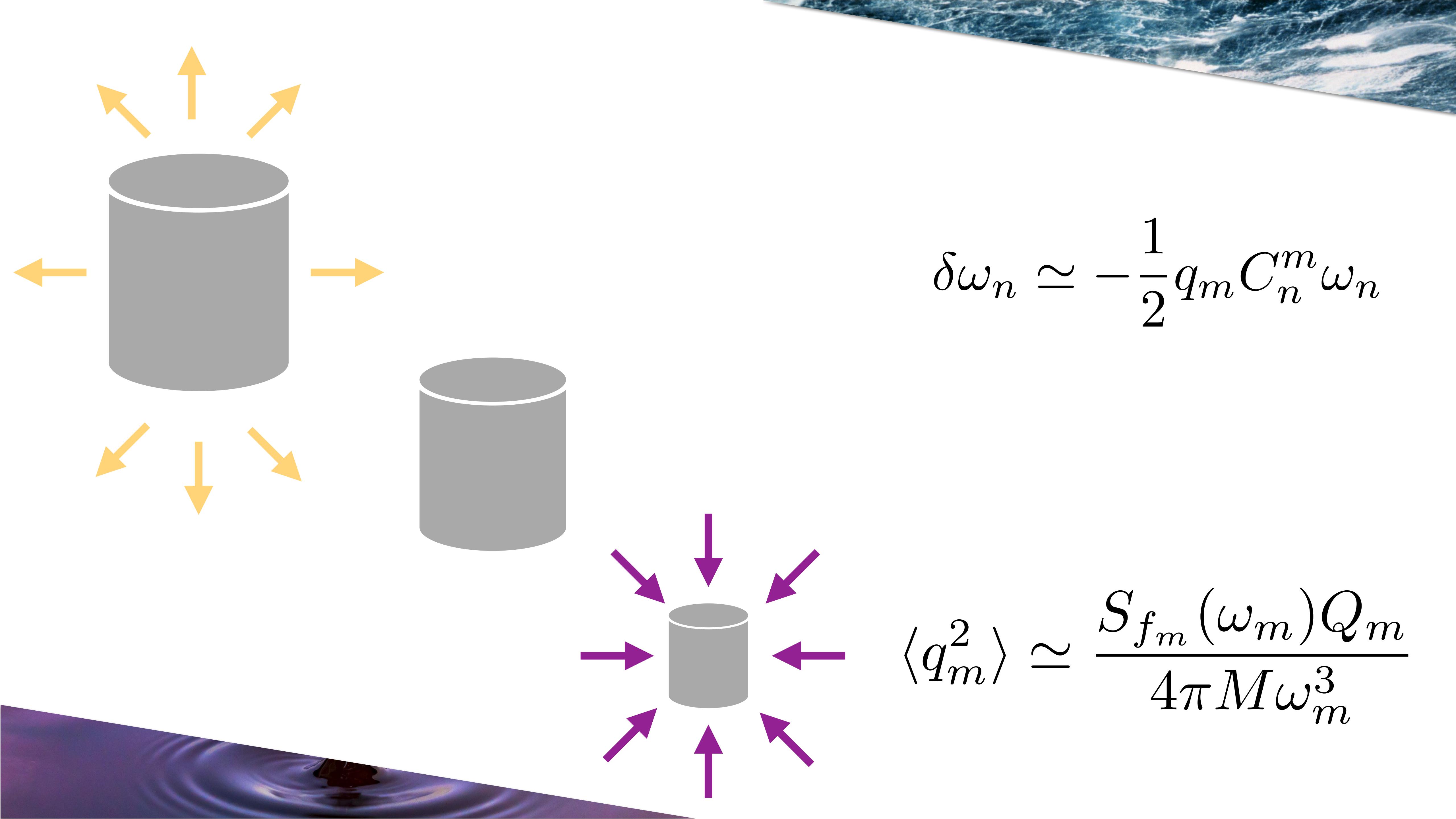
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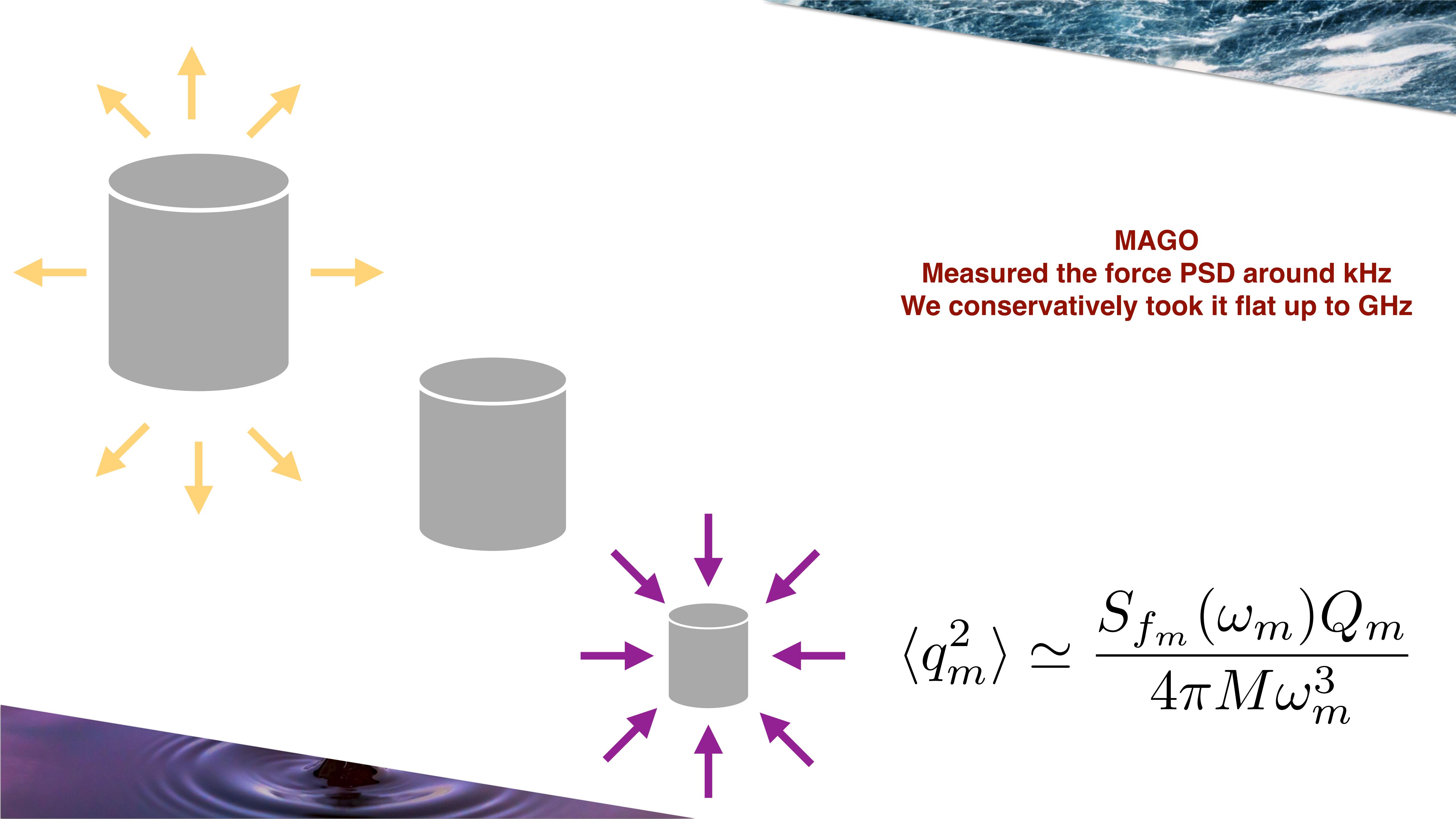
We bound the total power in mechanical noise for by considering two cases: where the axion mass is situated at or near a local maximum of the noise PSD or at a local minimum (ma at the midpoint between two adjacent resonances, i.e., assuming a typical separation of  $\sim 100$  Hz between mechanical resonances, at 50 Hz separation from each). The total mechanical noise powers obtained in these two extreme cases, illustrated by dashed curves, define an envelope for the mechanical noise power at each scan step. The noise power only approaches the upper envelope in narrow regions of size  $\Delta\omega_m$  about each resonance

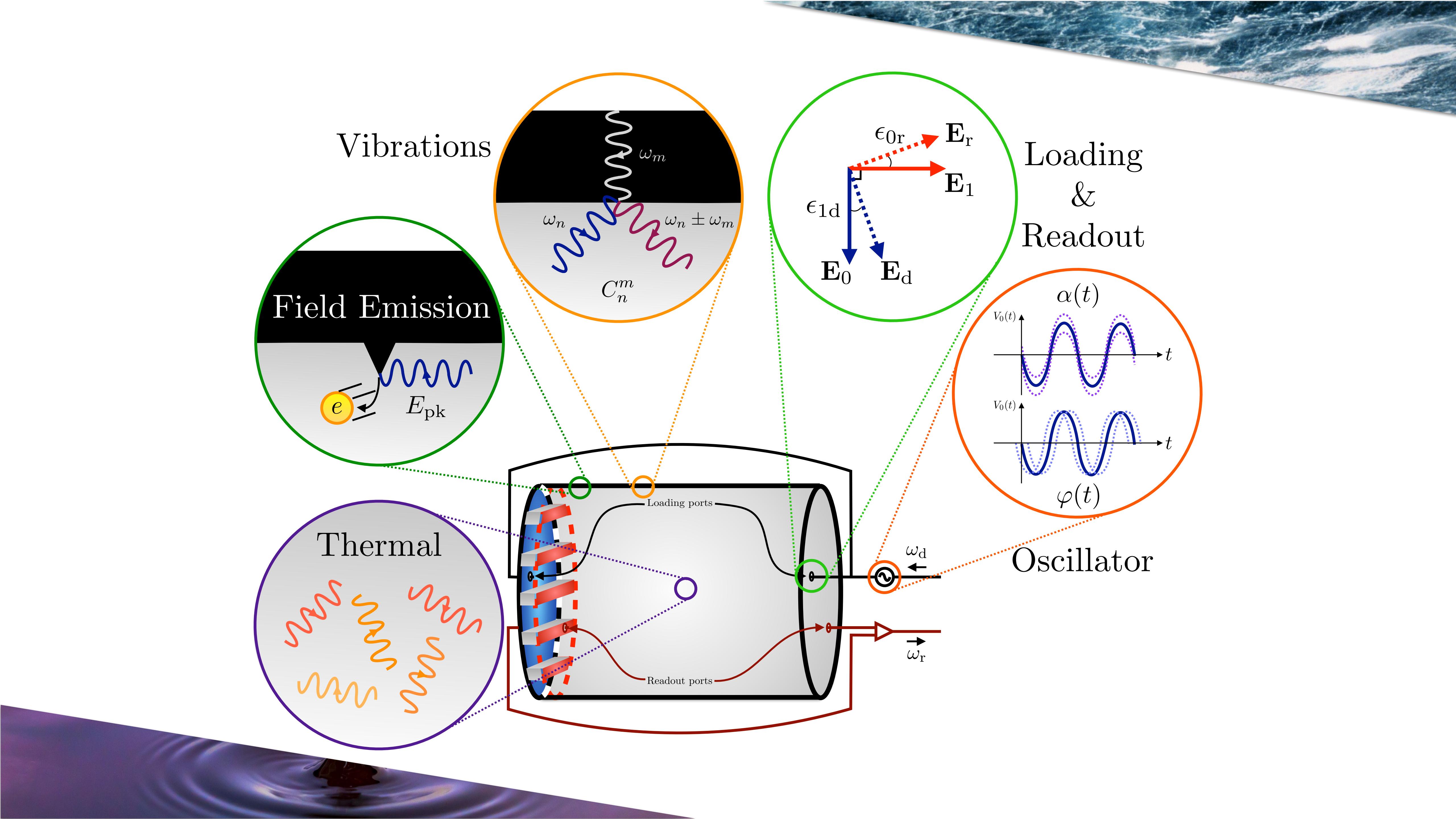


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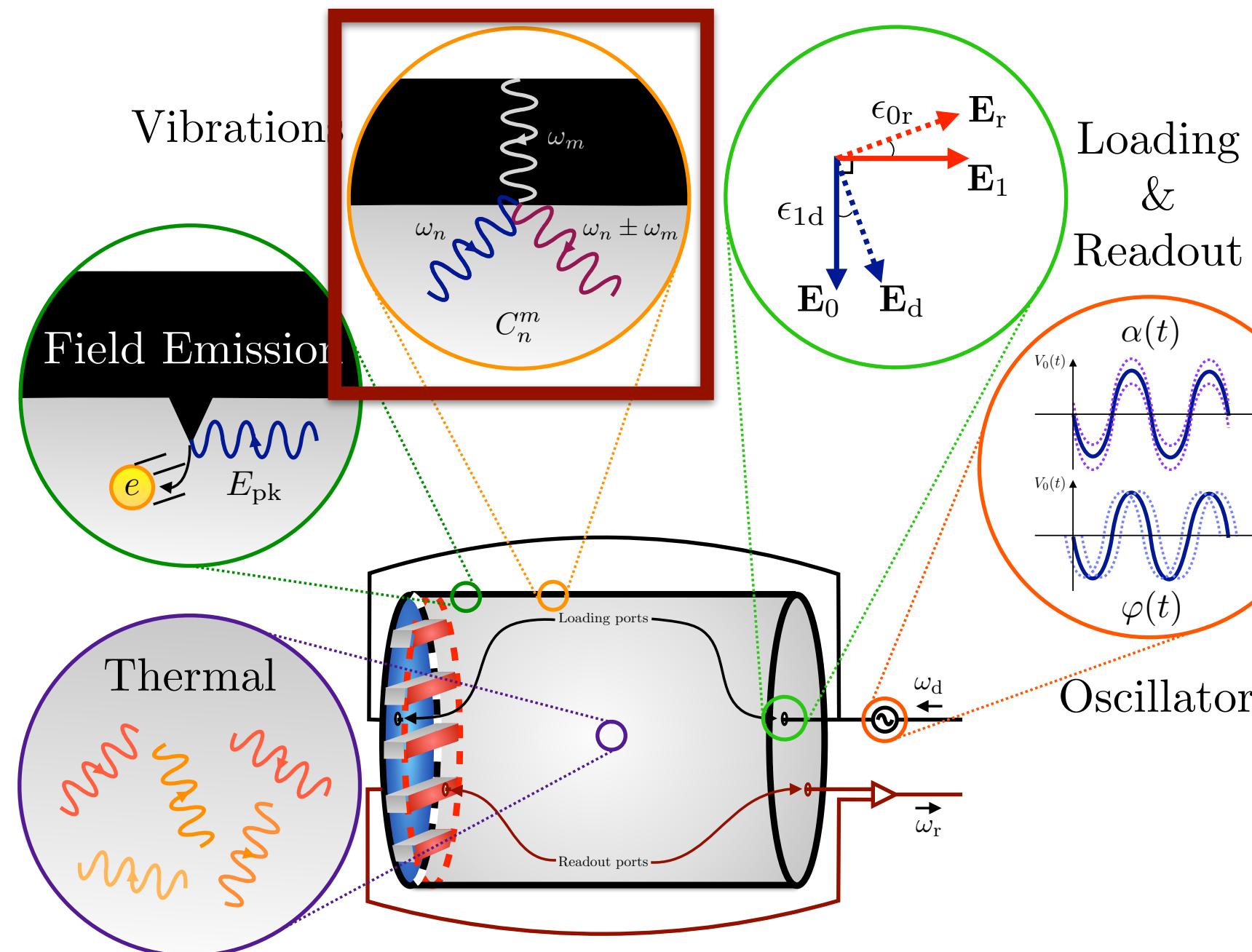




# VIBRATIONAL NOISE

## Wall Displacement

$$S_{\text{mech}}(\omega) = \sum_{n=0,1} S_{\text{mech}}^{(n)}(\omega) \simeq \frac{\epsilon_{1d}^2}{4} \frac{\omega_0}{Q_0} P_{\text{in}} \sum_{n=0,1} \frac{(S_{q_m}(\omega - \omega_0)/V^{2/3}) (\omega_n/Q_n) \omega_n^4 \omega^2}{[(\omega^2 - \omega_n^2)^2 + (\omega \omega_n/Q_n)^2] [( \omega_0^2 - \omega_n^2)^2 + (\omega_0 \omega_n/Q_n)^2]}$$



## External Force

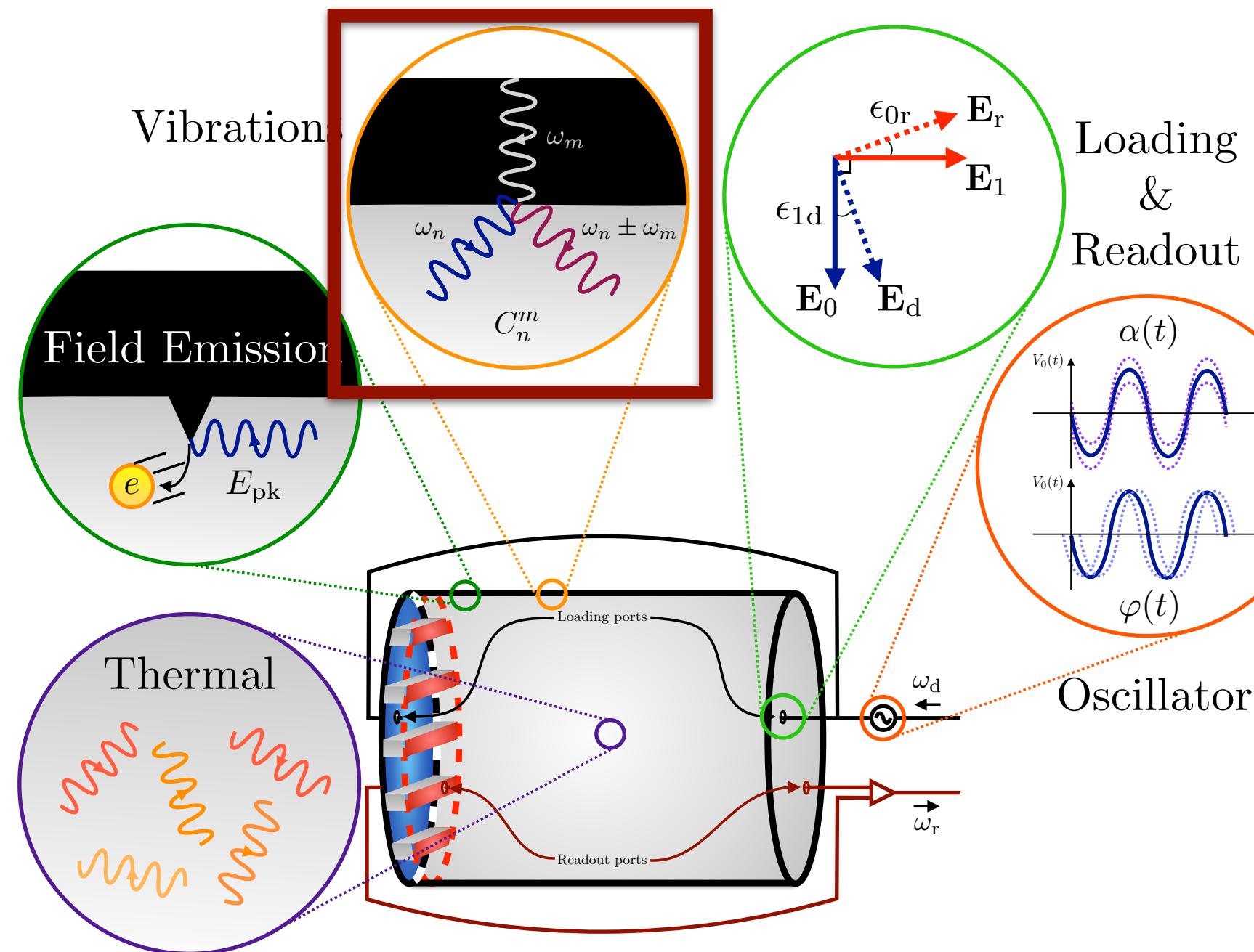
$$S_{q_m}(\omega) \simeq \frac{1}{M^2} \frac{S_{f_m}(\omega)}{(\omega^2 - \omega_m^2)^2 + (\omega_m \omega / Q_m)^2}$$

$$\omega_m^{\min} \simeq \text{kHz}$$

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**External Force**

$$S_{q_m}(\omega) \simeq \frac{1}{M^2} \frac{S_{f_m}(\omega)}{(\omega^2 - \omega_m^2)^2 + (\omega_m \omega / Q_m)^2}$$

We assumed that for every axion mass  $>$  kHz  
there is a corresponding resonant  
mechanical mode that is maximally coupled  
to the electromagnetic properties of the  
cavity. An OVERLY PESSIMISTIC assumption.

# LEAKAGE NOISE

$$S_{\text{phase}}(\omega) \simeq \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{1d}^2 S_\phi(\omega - \omega_0)$$

$$\frac{(\omega \omega_1/Q_1)^2}{(\omega^2 - \omega_1^2)^2 + (\omega \omega_1/Q_1)^2}$$

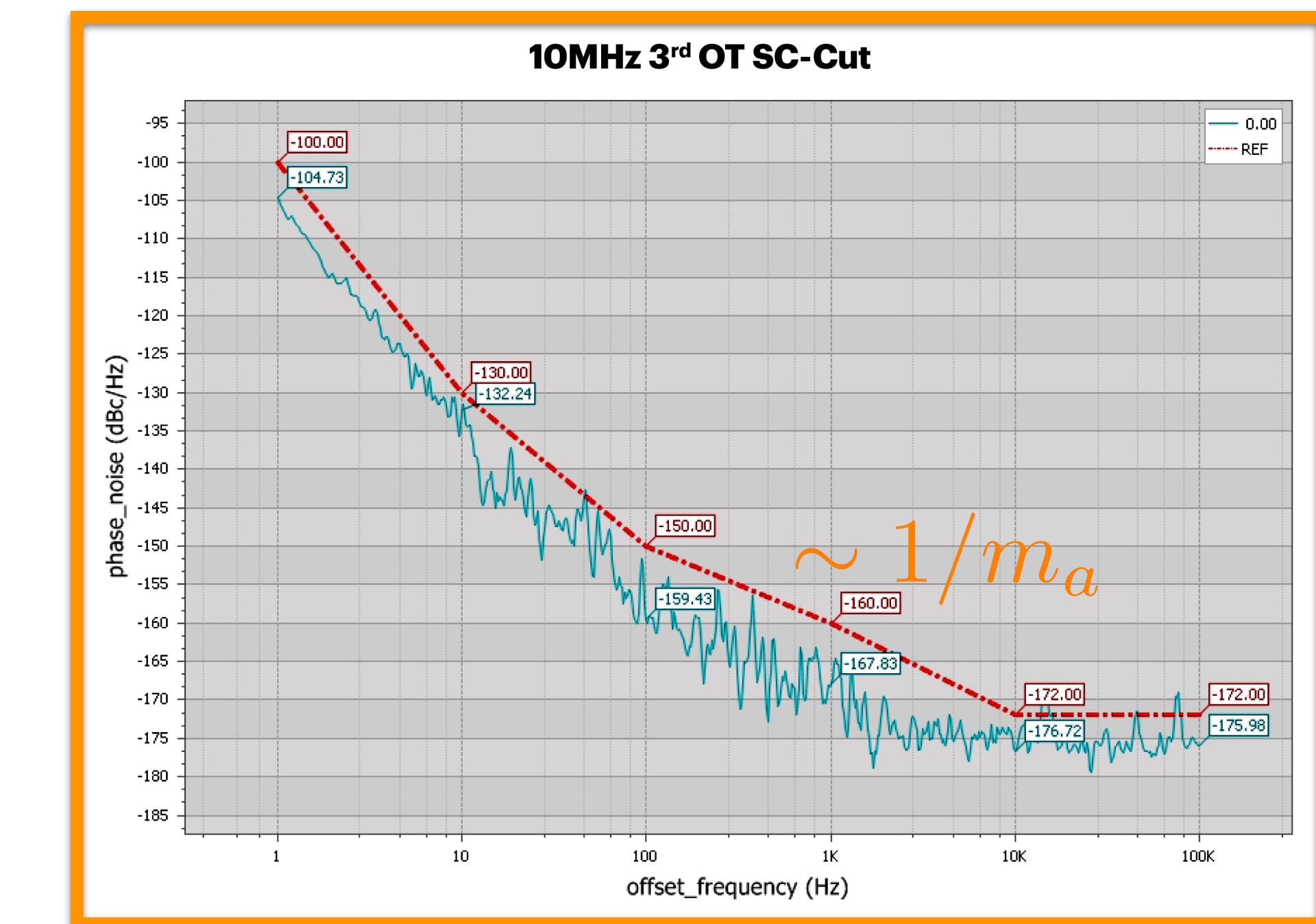
$$\frac{\omega_0 Q_1}{\omega_0 Q_0} P_{\text{in}}$$

**Cavity Response**

# LEAKAGE NOISE

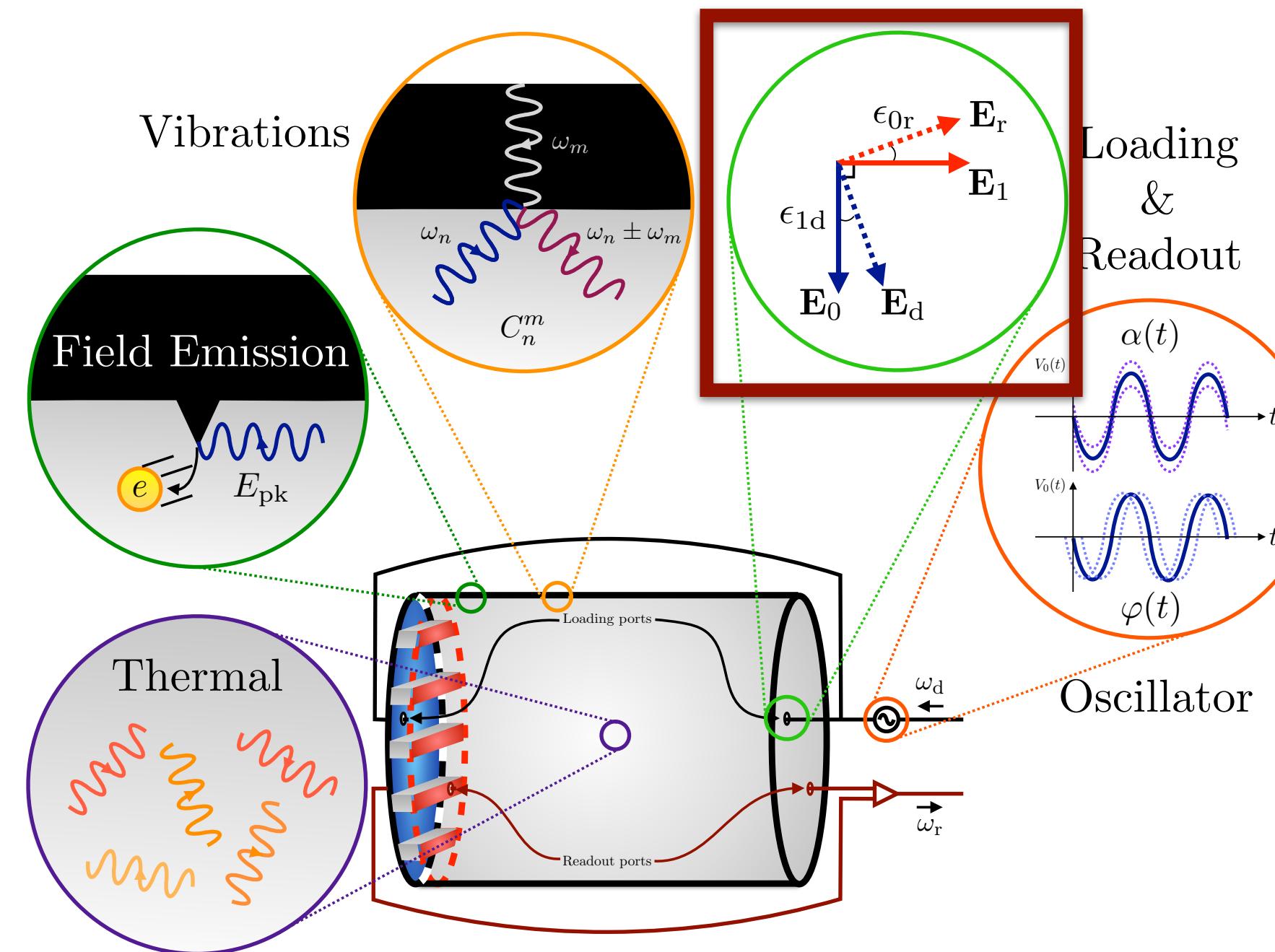
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$\sim 1/m_a$



# LEAKAGE NOISE

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**From MAGO  
and other similar cavities**

# OVERCOUPLING

$$S_{\text{sig}}(\omega) \rightarrow \frac{Q_1}{Q_{\text{cpl}}} S_{\text{sig}}(\omega)$$

$$S_{\text{noise}}(\omega) = S_{\text{ql}}(\omega) + \frac{Q_1}{Q_{\text{cpl}}} \left( S_{\text{th}}(\omega) + S_{\text{phase}}(\omega) + S_{\text{mech}}^{(1)}(\omega) \right) + \frac{Q_0}{Q_{\text{cpl}}} S_{\text{mech}}^{(0)}(\omega)$$

Overcoupling can enlarge the scan step, keeping the SNR fixed

# EXISTING PROTOTYPE



MAGO '05

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**Power = Energy/Time**

**Time**

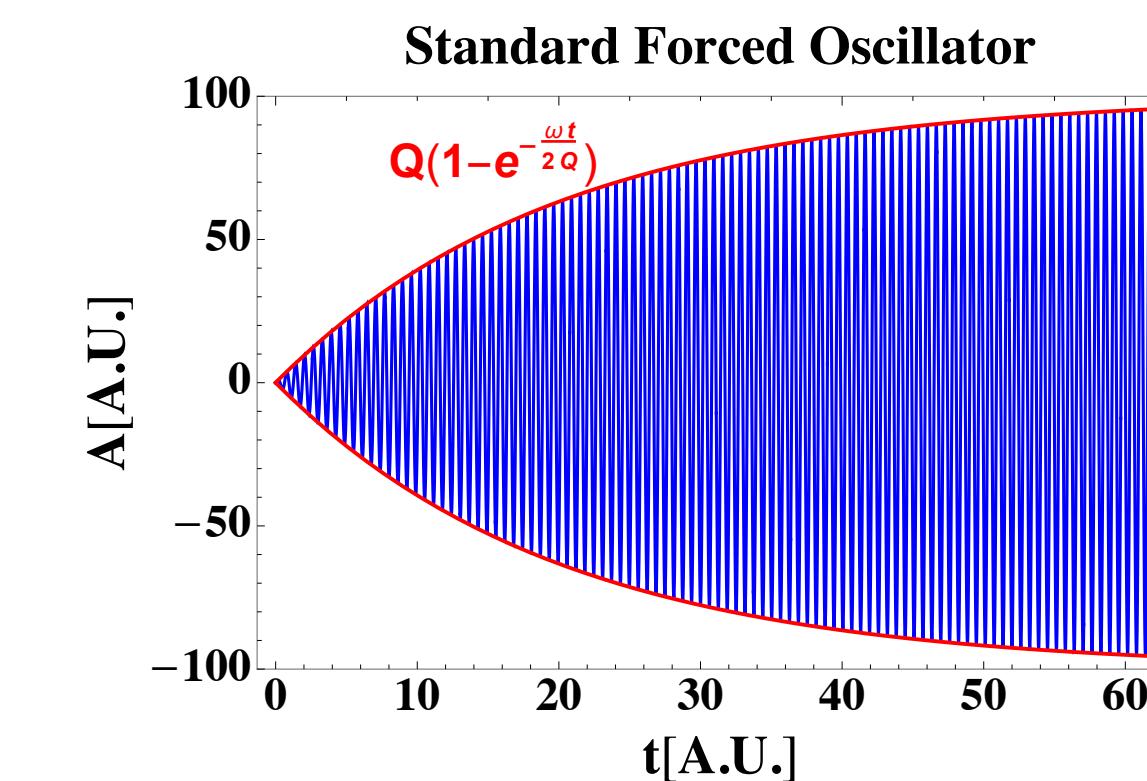
$$\min[\tau_a, \tau_r] = \min \left[ \frac{Q_a}{m_a}, \frac{Q_1}{\omega_1} \right]$$

$$t = \tau_a = \frac{Q_a}{m_a}$$

**Axion stops being monochromatic**

$$t = \tau_r = \frac{Q_1}{\omega_1}$$

**Steady State**



**Power = Energy/Time**

Energy

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**Static:**  $\omega_1 \simeq m_a$

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**Naively no reason to build resonators with  $Q > 10^6$**

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**Oscillating:**  $\omega_1 > m_a$

$$P \simeq \omega_1 B_a^2 V \min[Q_a(\omega_1/m_a), Q_1]$$

**Great advantage of high-Q resonators at low  $m_a$**

# Dark Matter Particles in a de Broglie Volume **Today**

Galaxy:

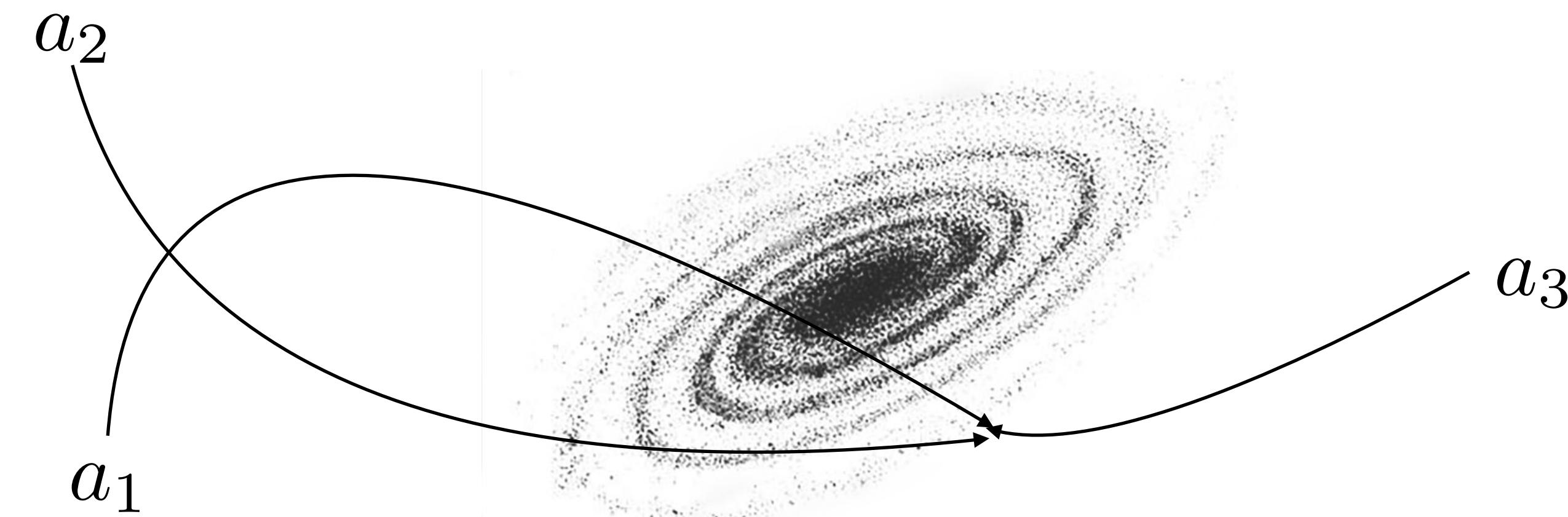
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Universe:

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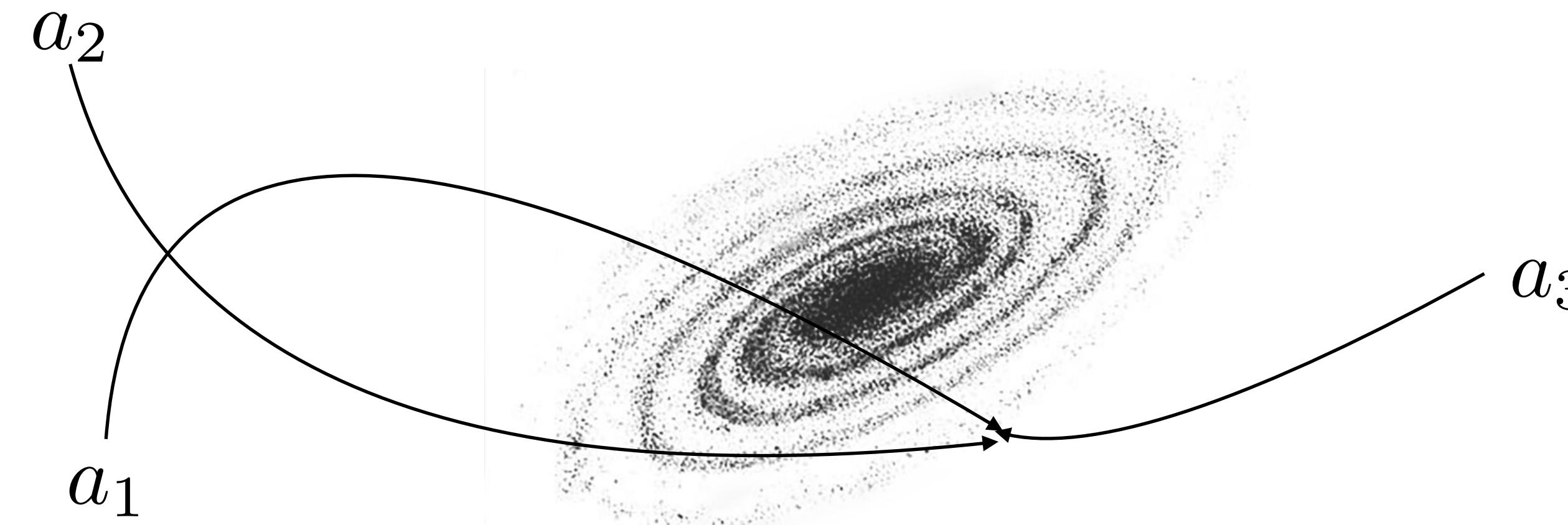
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$$\simeq a_0 \cos(m_a t + \phi) [\cos(\delta\omega_a t + \phi') + \dots]$$

$$\delta\omega_a \simeq \frac{1}{m_a \langle v_{\text{DM}}^2 \rangle} \simeq \frac{10^6}{m_a}$$

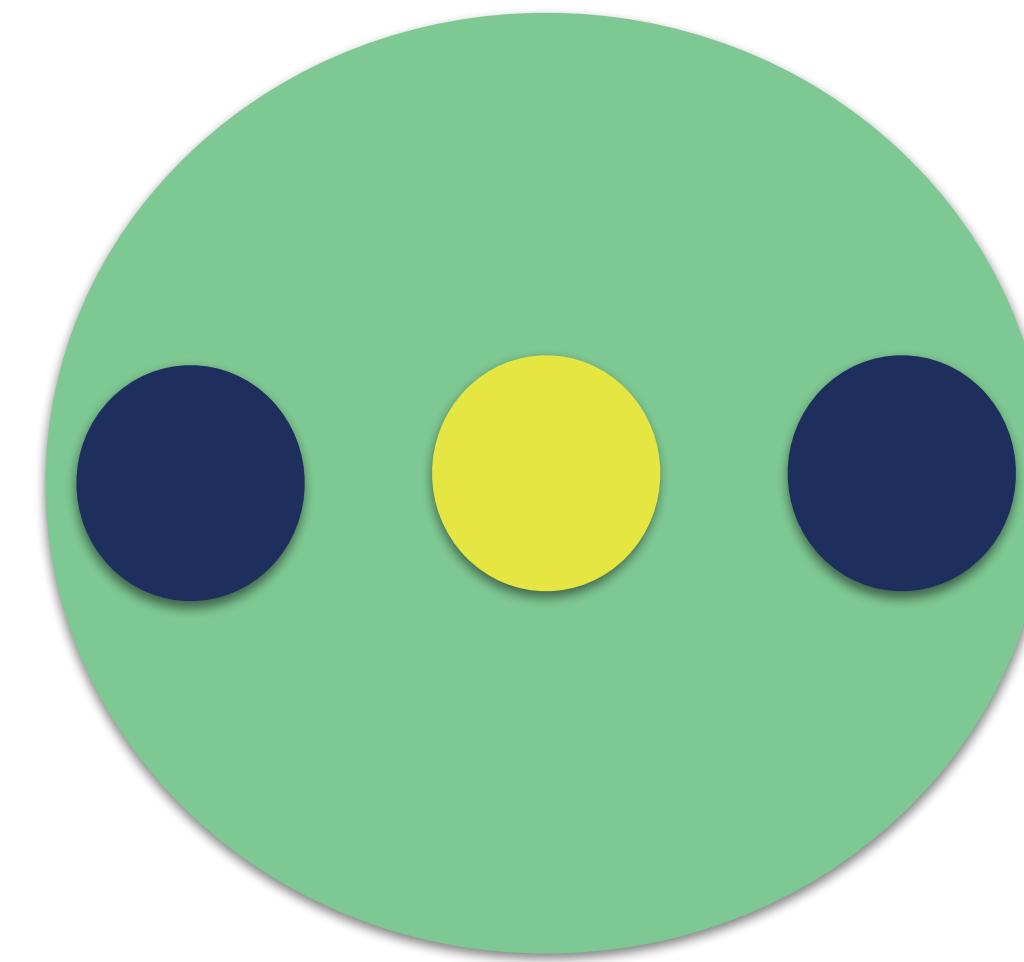
Effectively: very **slow modulation** of an approximately **monochromatic field**



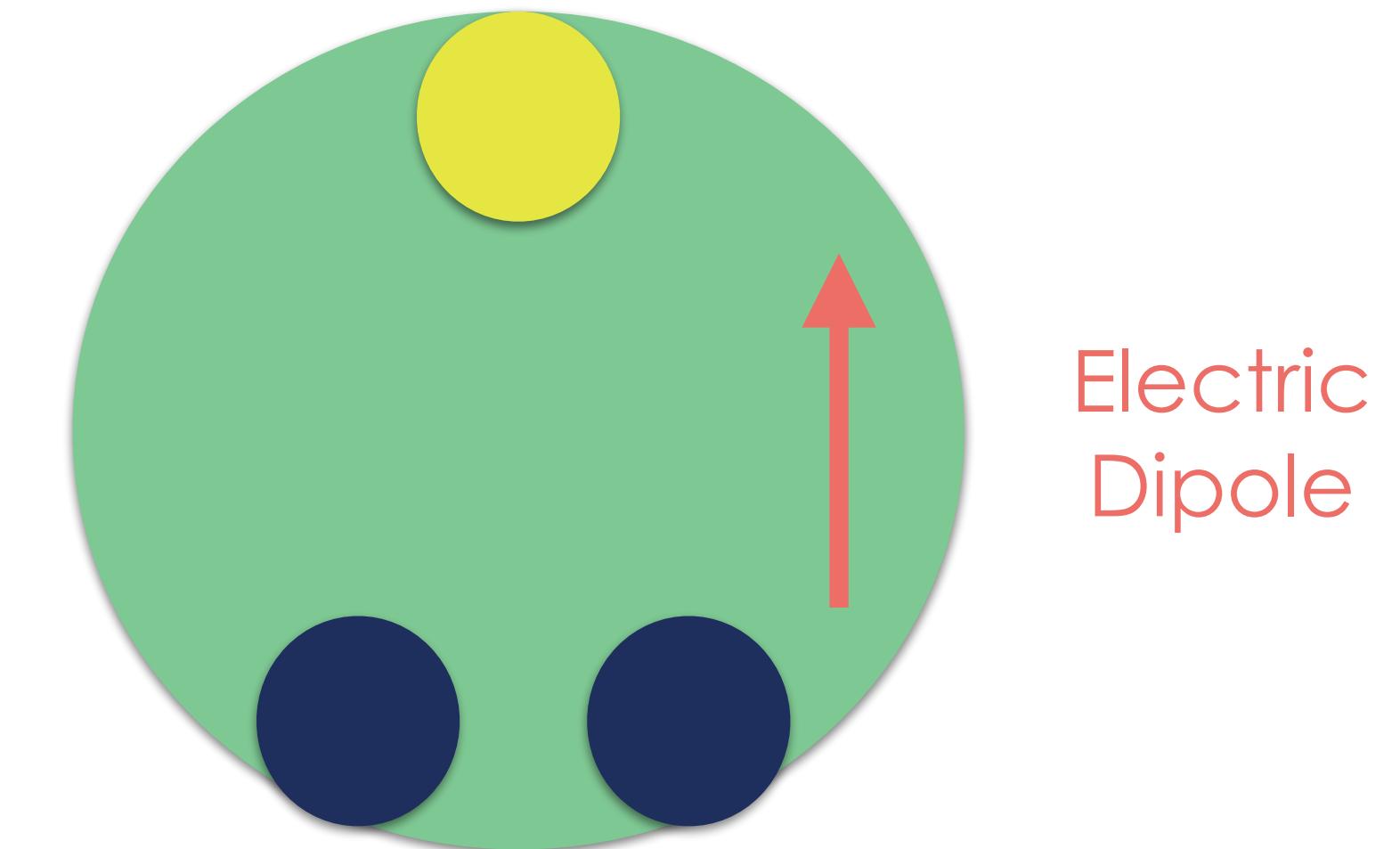
# ULTRALIGHT AXION-LIKE DARK MATTER

$$\theta G \tilde{G}$$

Neutron  $\theta = 0$



Neutron  $\theta \neq 0$



$$|\theta| \lesssim 10^{-10}$$

Experimentally

Introduce a new **global symmetry** at  $f_a$

$$\theta G\tilde{G} \longrightarrow \left( \theta + \frac{a}{f_a} \right) G\tilde{G}$$

**At the minimum**

$$\langle a \rangle = -\theta f_a$$

## QCD Phase Transition

$$\frac{a}{f_a} G \tilde{G} \longrightarrow \frac{a}{f_a} \frac{\pi}{f_\pi} + \dots$$

**Mass**

$$m_a \sim \frac{m_\pi^2}{f_a} \sim 10^{-2} \text{ eV} \frac{10^9 \text{ GeV}}{f_a}$$

**Relevant Coupling**

$$\frac{a}{f_a} \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

