

DM Radio: An Optimized Resonant Search For Axion and Hidden-Photon Dark Matter, 100 Hz-300 MHz

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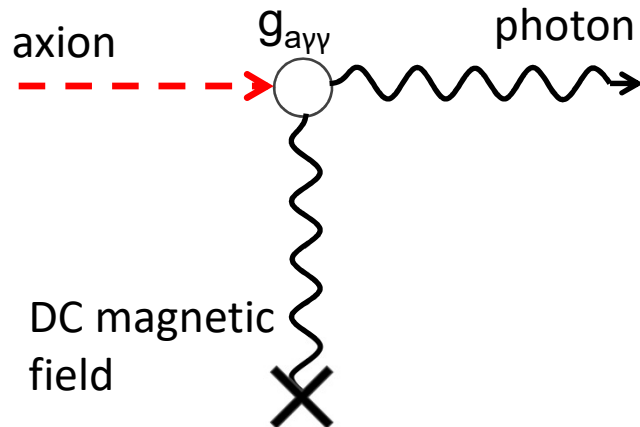
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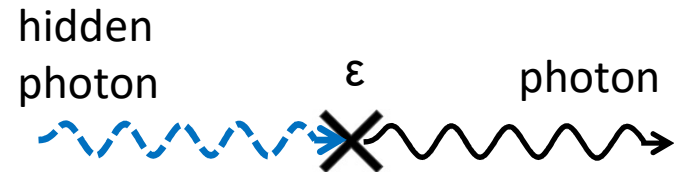


Axions (spin 0)



- Solves strong CP problem
- Converts to photon via inverse Primakoff effect- requires background EM field
- Photon frequency gives mass, $hf=mc^2$
- $\sim 10^{-6}$ bandwidth set by DM virial velocity

Hidden Photons (spin 1)



- Appears in generic extensions of Standard Model, may be produced by cosmic inflation
- Converts via kinetic mixing
- Photon frequency gives mass, $hf=mc^2$
- $\sim 10^{-6}$ bandwidth set by DM virial velocity

DM behaves as effective EM current density \rightarrow
Look for oscillating, quasi-static magnetic field

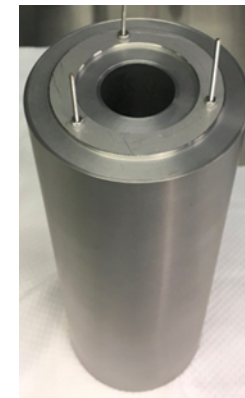
Detection scheme

Superconducting shield- blocks photons, lets DM through

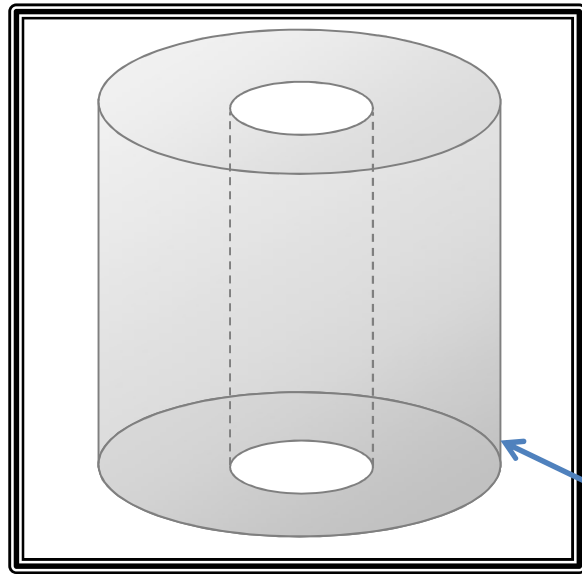


24 cm

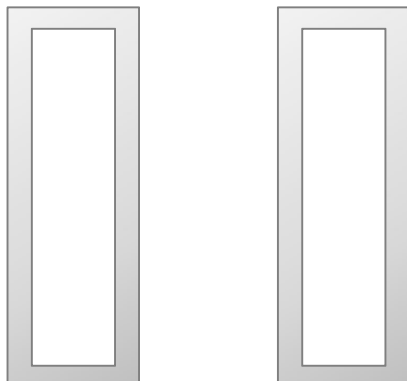
Hollow, superconducting sheath (like a long, hollow donut)



19 cm

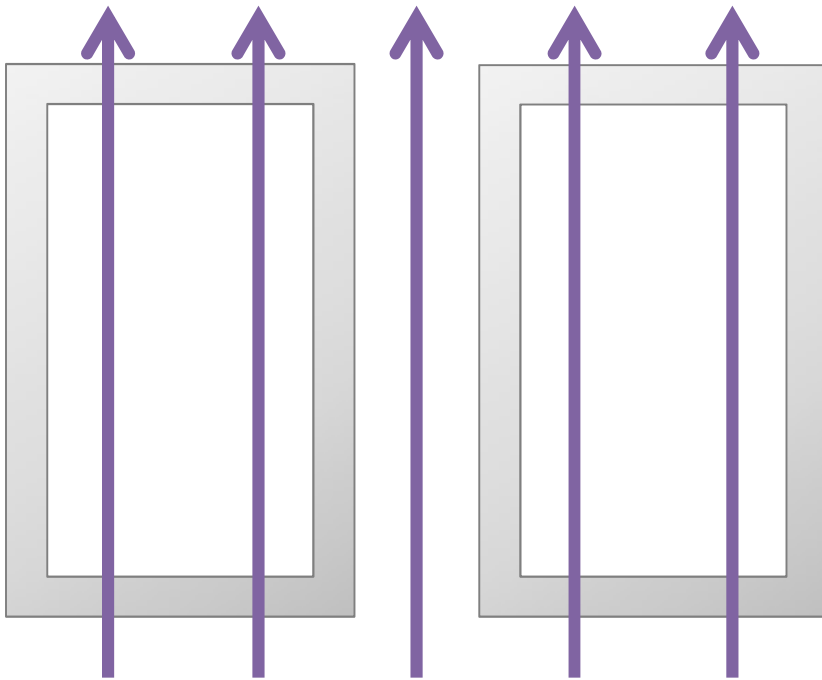


Cross-section



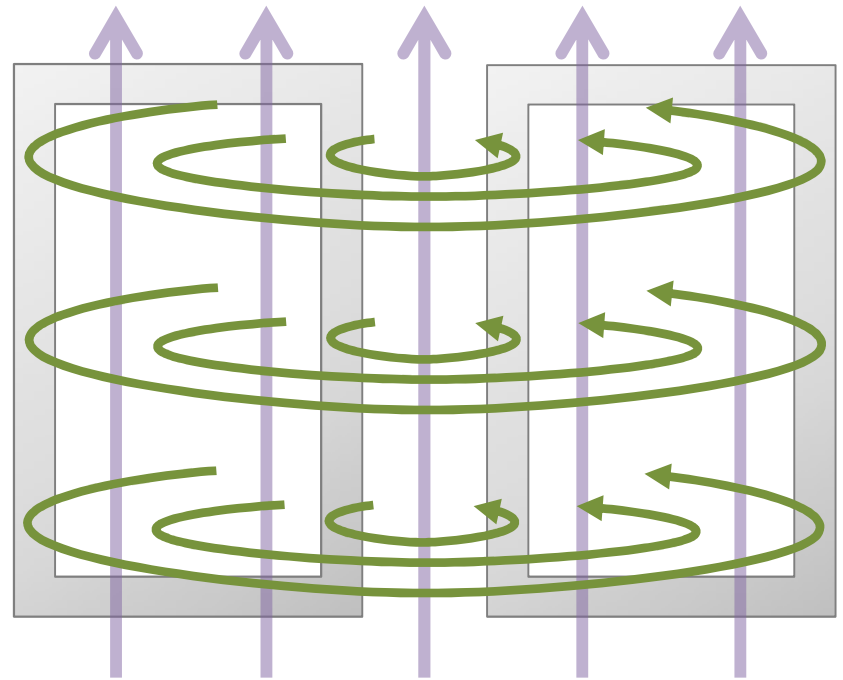
Hidden photon detection

$$\vec{J}_{\text{HP}}(t)$$



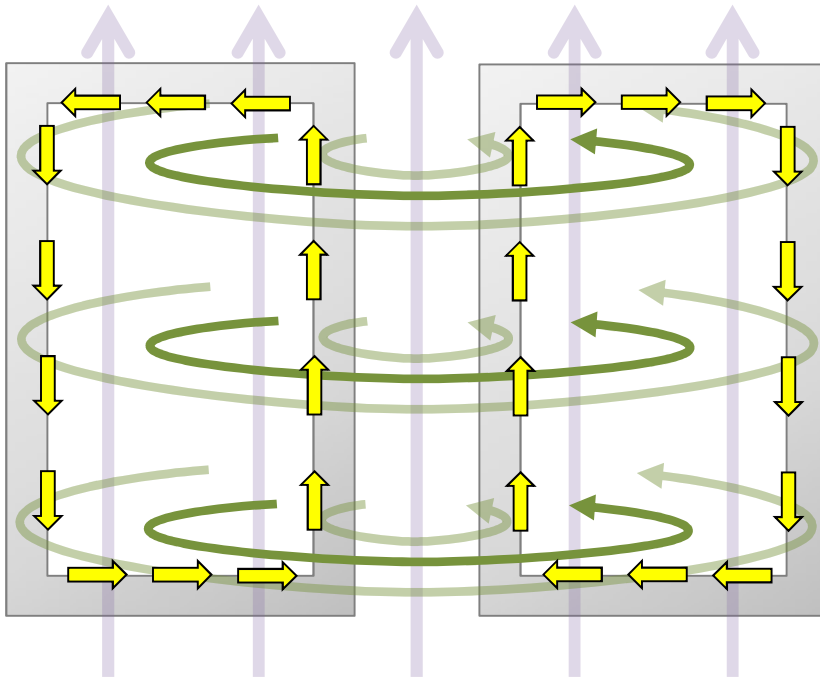
1. Hidden photon field acts as effective AC current.

$$\vec{B}_{\text{HP}}(t) = |\vec{B}_{\text{HP}}(t)| \hat{\phi}$$

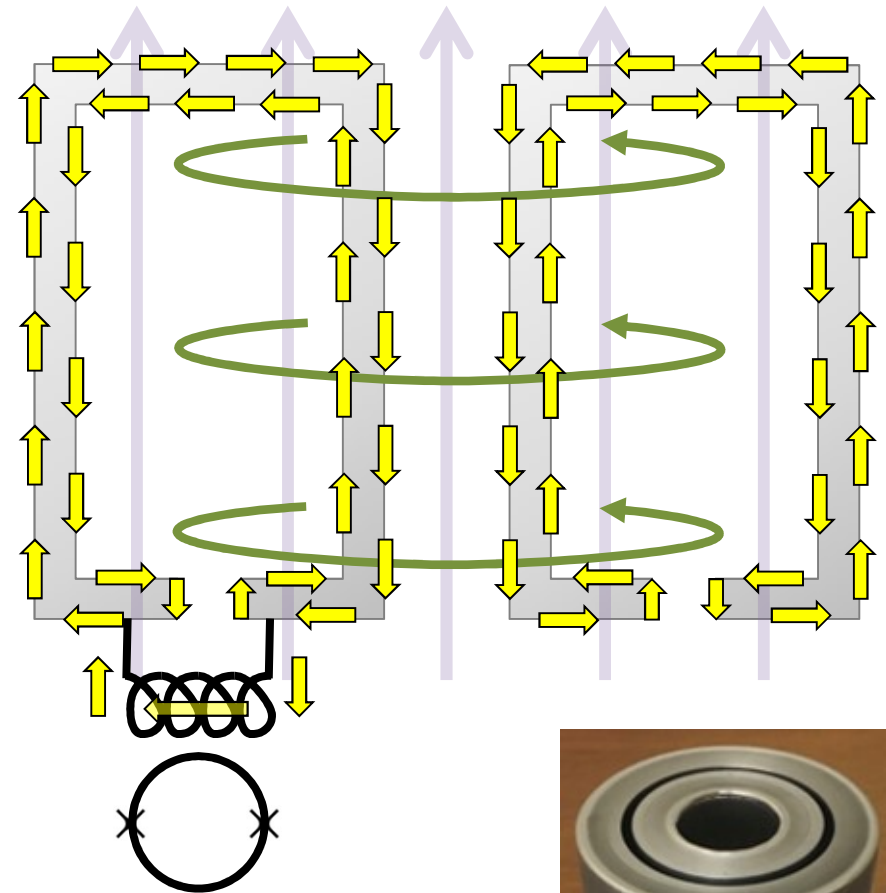


2. Current generates circumferential, quasi-static B-field.

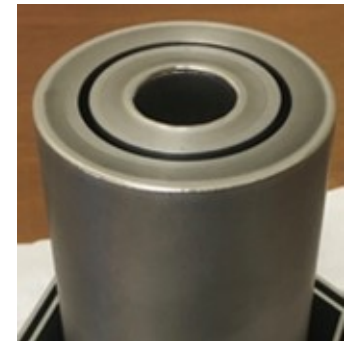
Hidden photon detection



3. Screening currents (yellow) flow to cancel field in bulk.

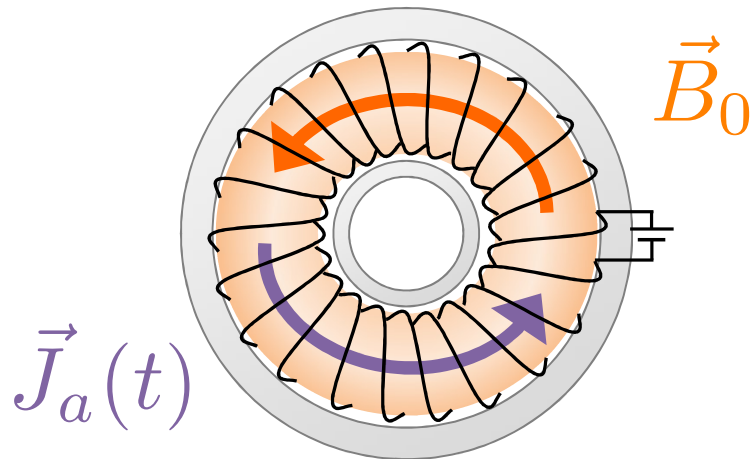


4. Cut slit in sheath, detect currents with SQUID.

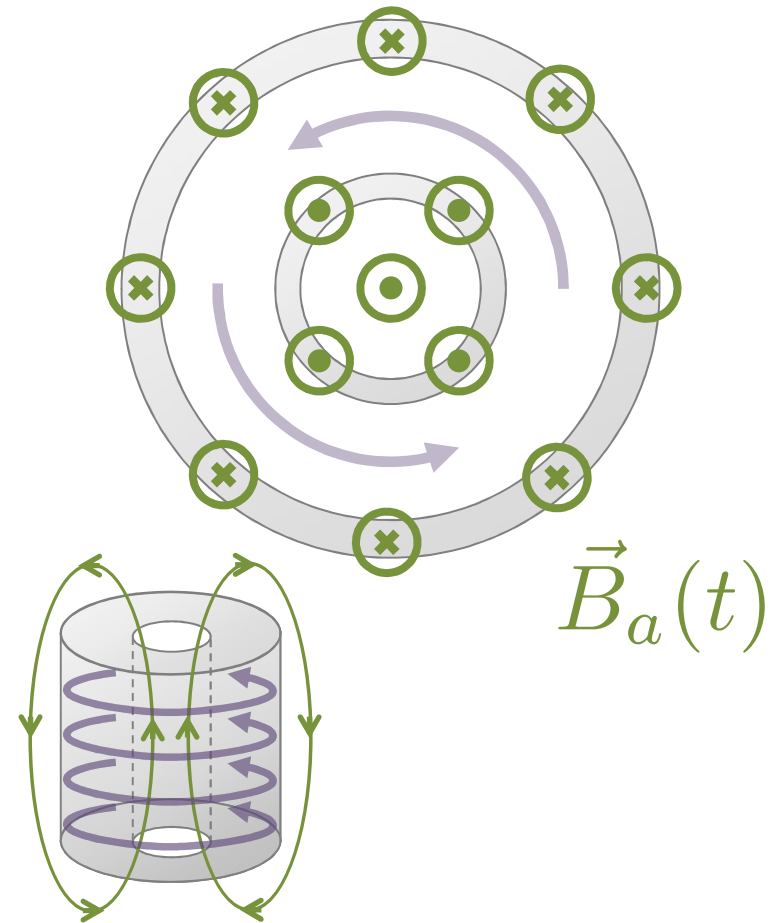
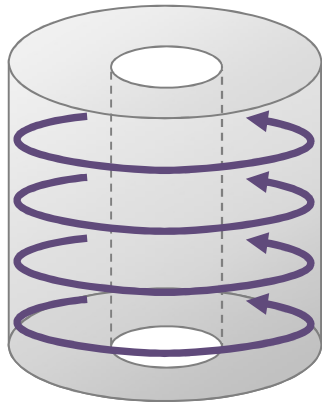


Axion detection

Top-Down Cross-section



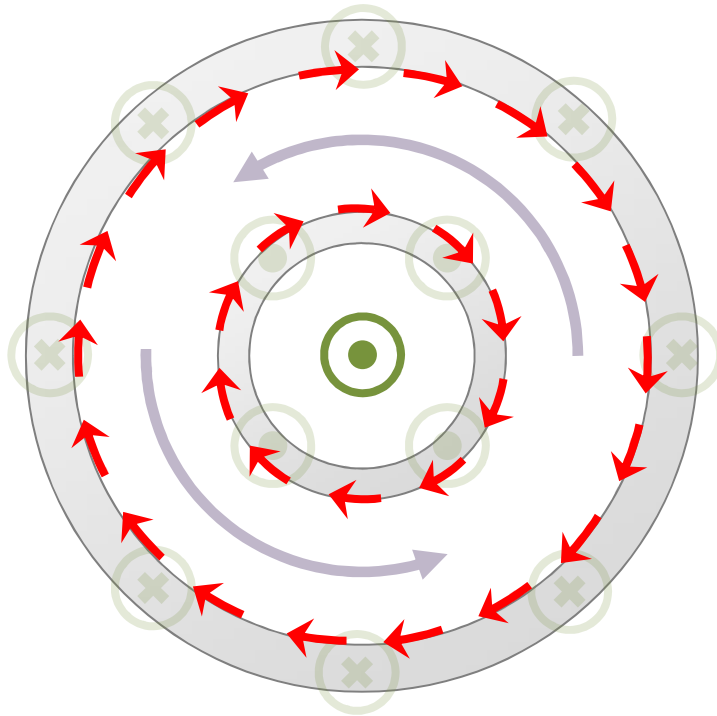
(B_0 toroid *inside* sheath)



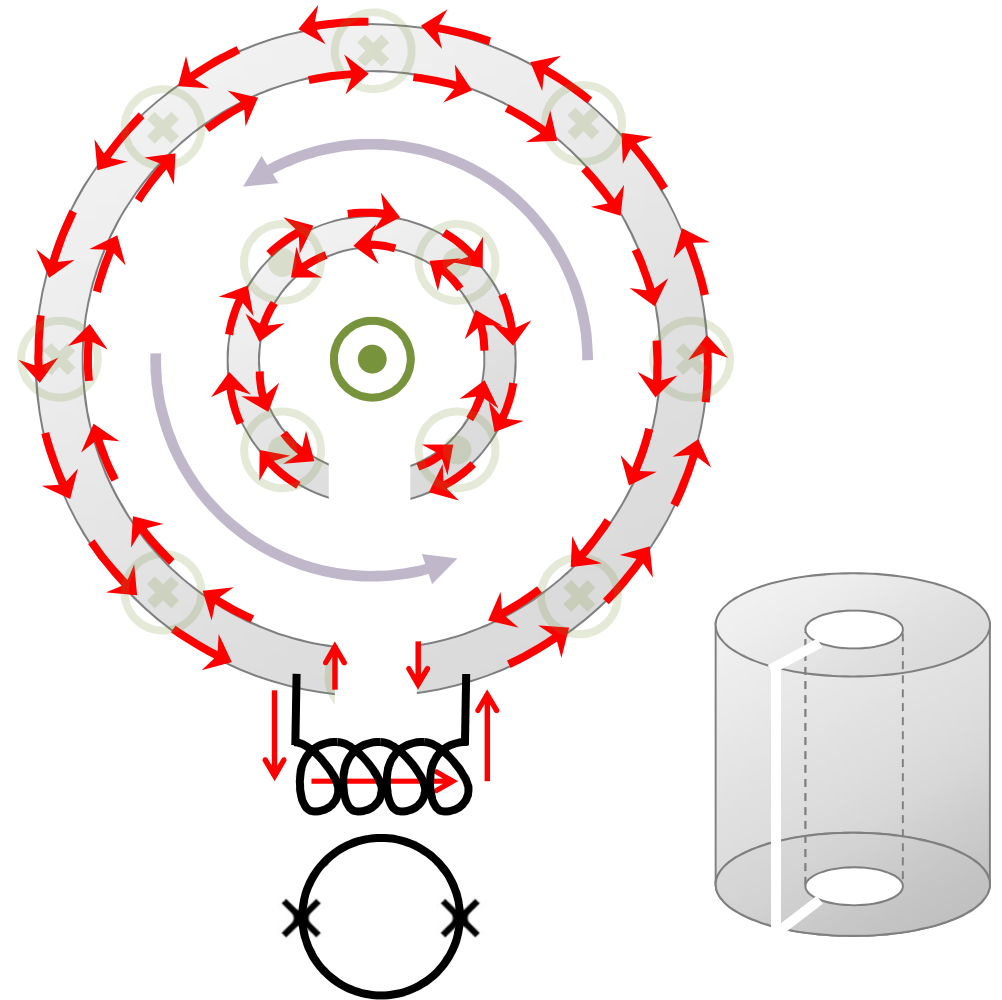
1. Toroidal coil produces DC magnetic field inside sheath. Axions behave as AC current.

2. Current generates oscillating, quasi-static B-field.

Axion detection

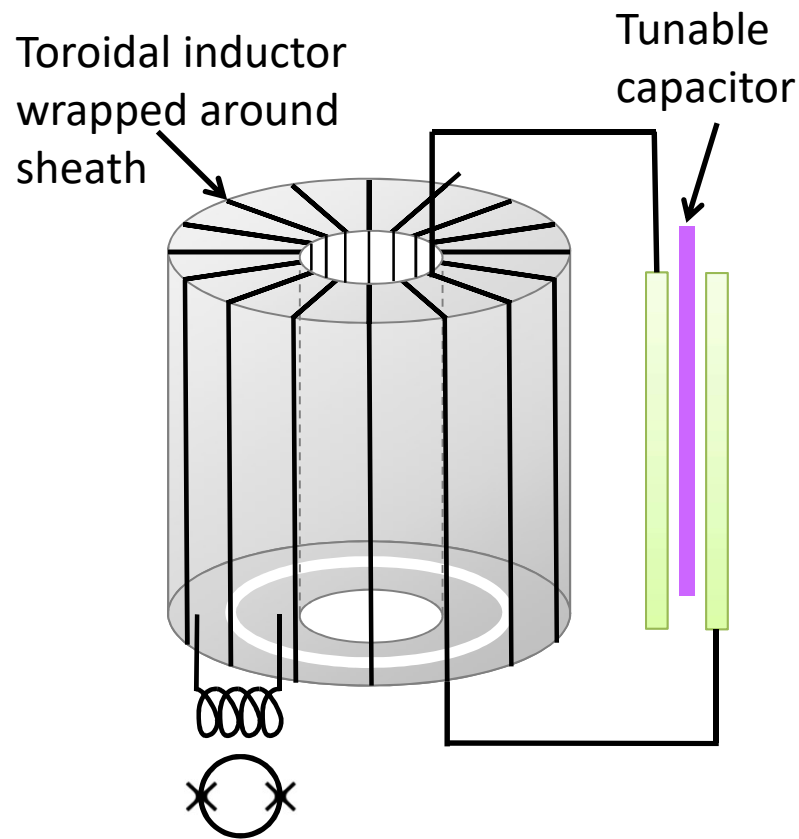


3. Screening currents (red) flow to cancel field in bulk.

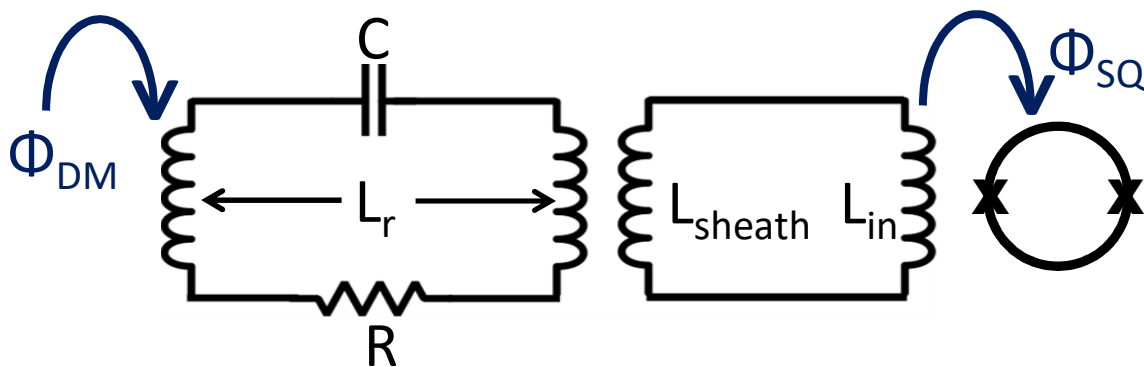


4. Cut side slit in sheath, detect currents with SQUID.

Resonant enhancement for hidden photons



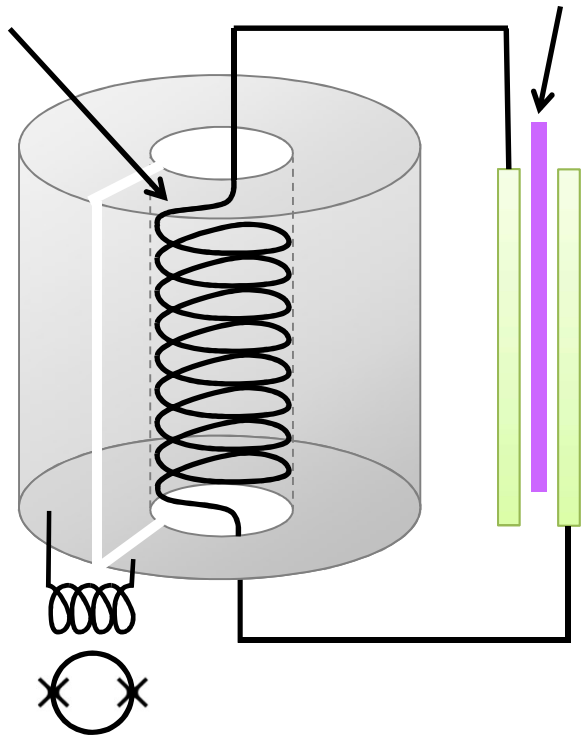
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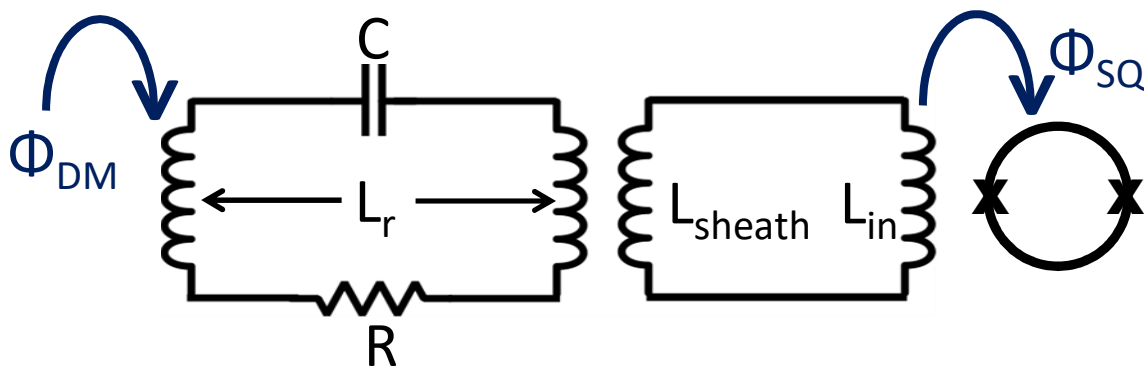
Resonant enhancement for axions

Solenoid inductor placed
in sheath center hole

Tunable
capacitor

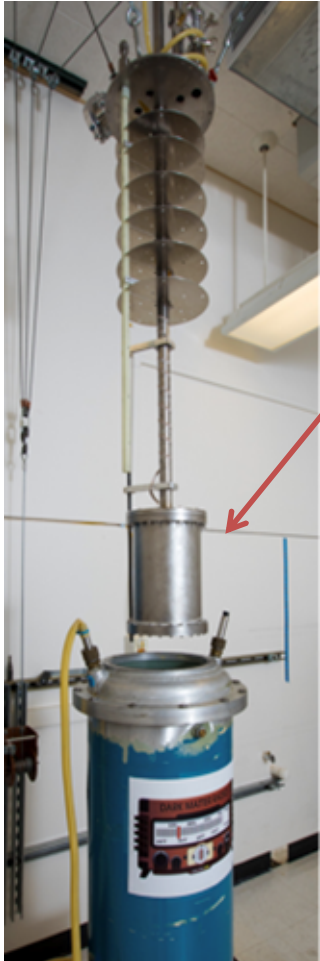


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DM Radio Pilot

4K Dip Probe



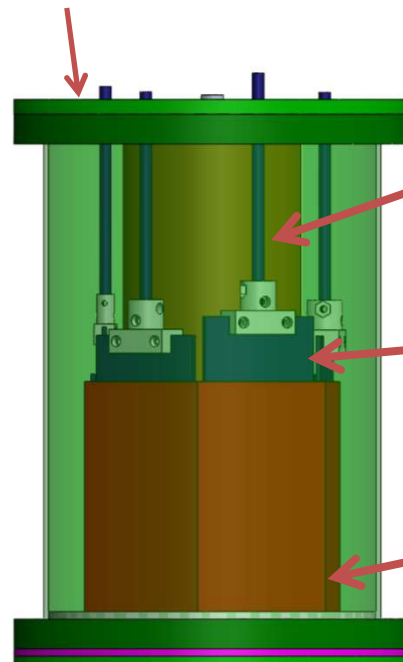
Cryoperm-lined
LHe dewar

750 mL Pilot funded through SLAC LDRD

- Focus on hidden photons
- $T=4\text{K}$ (Helium Dip Probe)
- Frequency/Mass Range:
 - 100 kHz – 10 MHz / 500 peV – 50 neV
- 2-3 month scan time

Science scans begin this year!

Nb shield

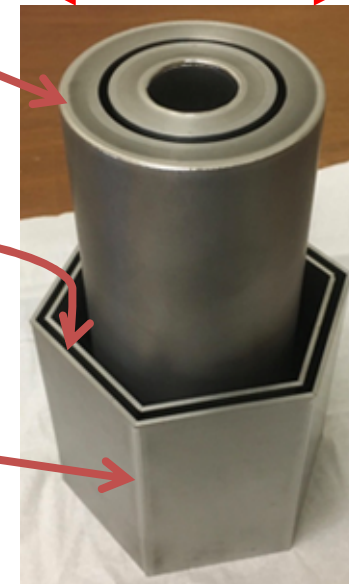


Nb slitted sheath

Movable
sapphire dielectrics

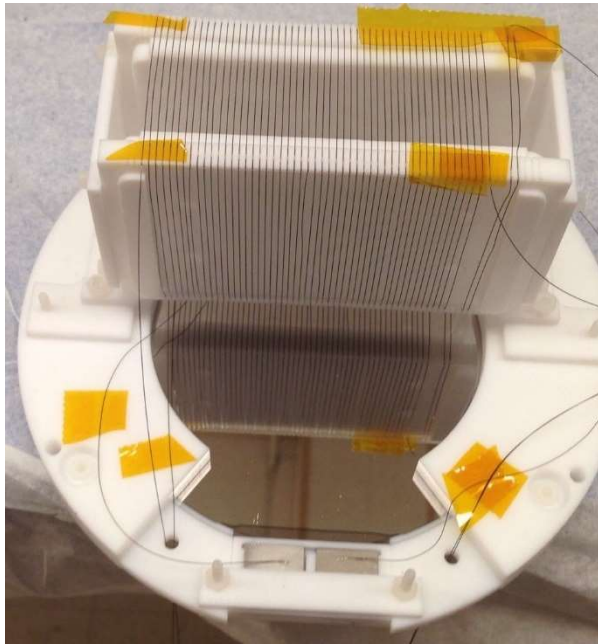
Nb hex capacitor

7.5 cm



19 cm

DM Radio fixed resonator



Goals

- Demonstrate high $Q \sim 10^6$
- Understand material properties
- Characterize SQUID amplifiers
- Establish calibration and data analysis procedures

Resonator

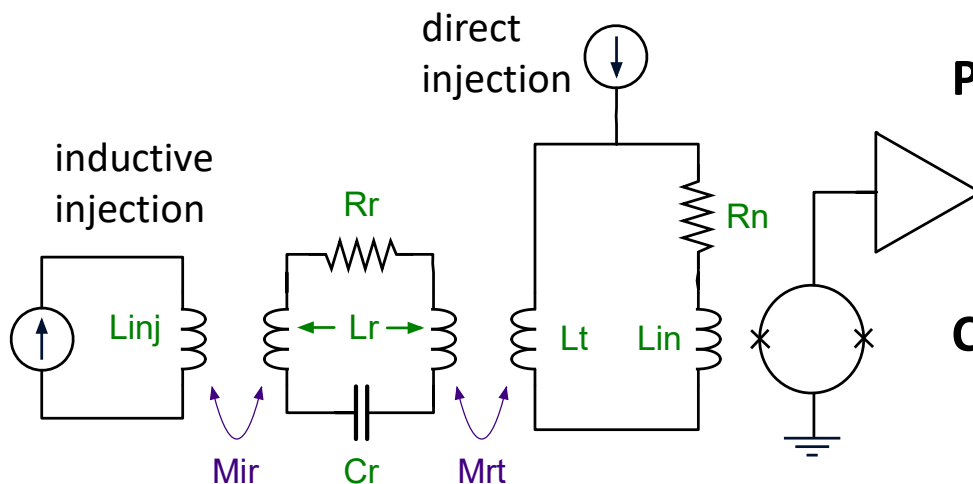
- 40-turn NbTi coil ($\sim 53 \mu\text{H}$)
- 2 nF sapphire capacitor
- Resonance at $\sim 500 \text{ kHz}$
- 100 mL detection volume

Pickup Transformer

- Equivalent to “slitted sheath”
- Single-turn coil ($\sim 750 \text{ nH}$)
- Connected to SQUID input coil

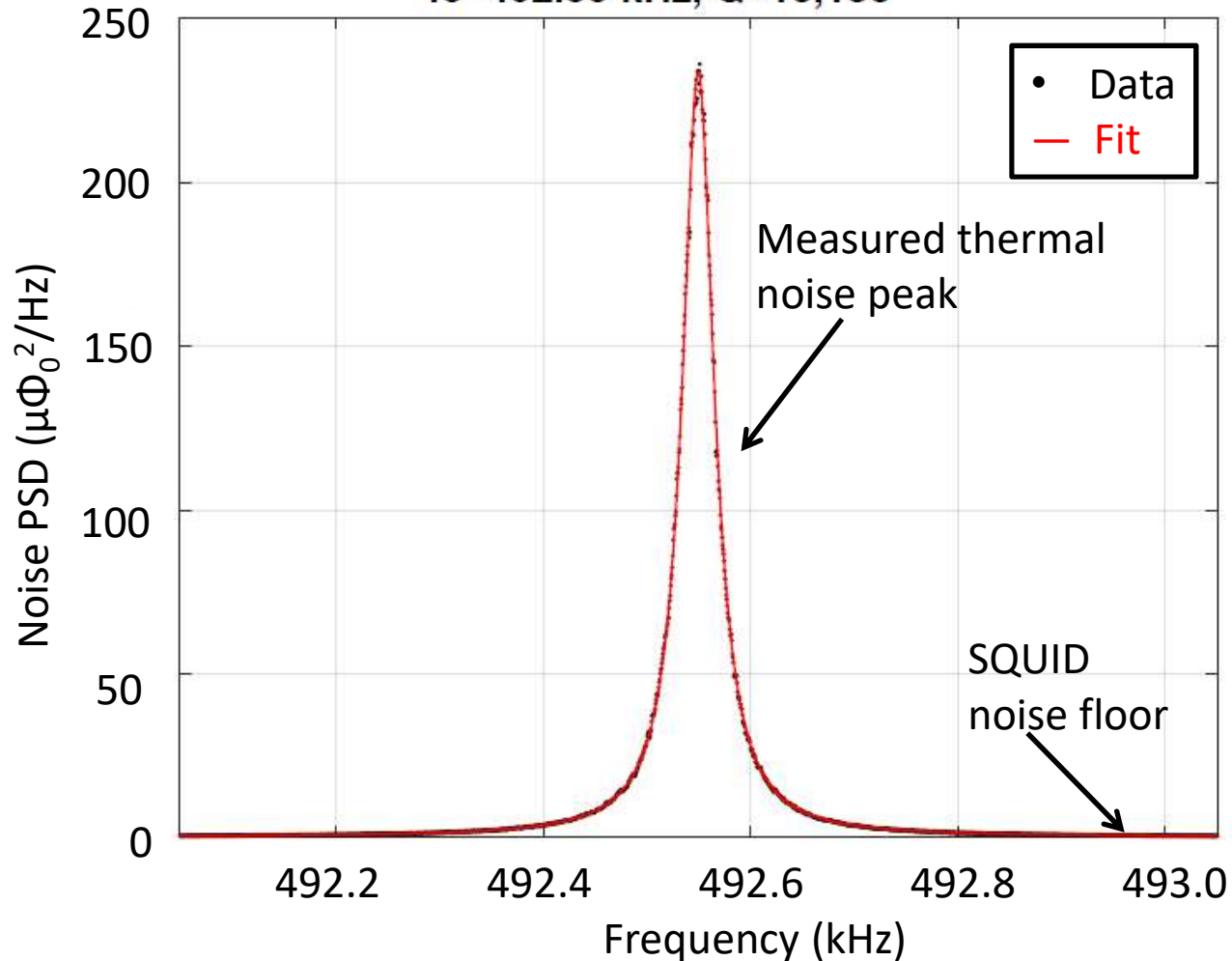
Calibration

- Single-turn injection coil ($\sim 750 \text{ nH}$)
- Direct current injection into transformer coil



DM Radio fixed resonator: $Q=13,183$

$f_0=492.55$ kHz, $Q=13,183$



- Q likely limited by loss in support structure- will replace with different materials
- Several hours of integration to test calibration/analysis protocols

Next steps

- Continue work on increasing Q factor, SQUID optimization
- Pilot detector: all parts (niobium, sapphire, PTFE) fabricated. Characterization of tuning system.
 - Pilot science scans begin this year!
- Dil fridge for Phases 1 and 2 to be delivered in November.
 - Phase 1: 30L, 10 mK
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Knobs informed by fundamental limitations on electromagnetic DM searches.

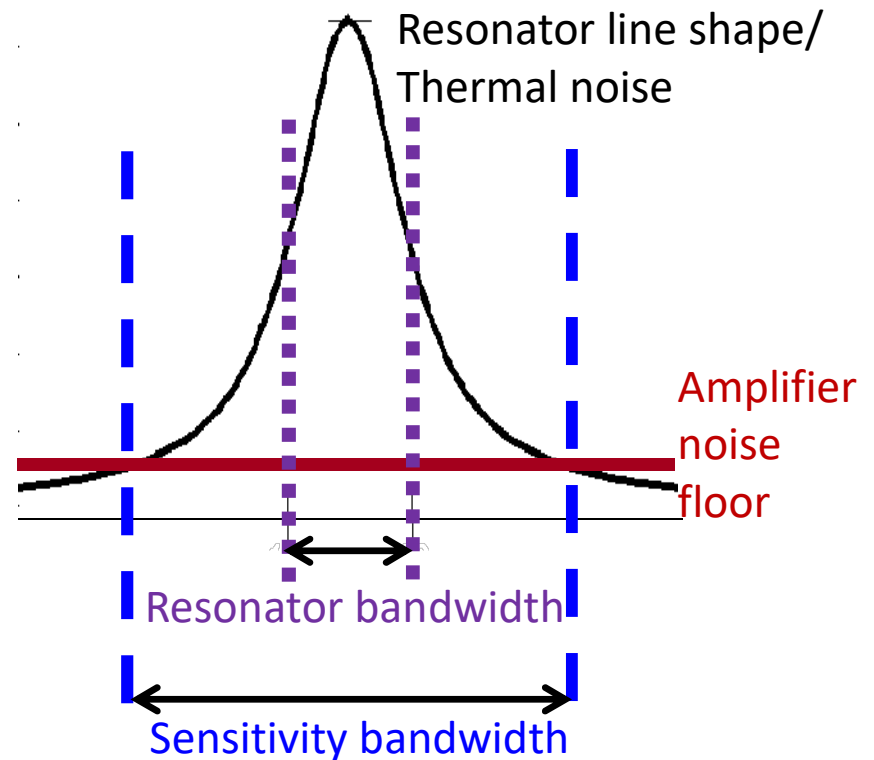
“Fundamental Limits of Electromagnetic Searches for Axions and Hidden Photons: Part I-The Quantum Limit”

S. Chaudhuri, K. Irwin, P. Graham, J. Mardon, arxiv:1803.01627

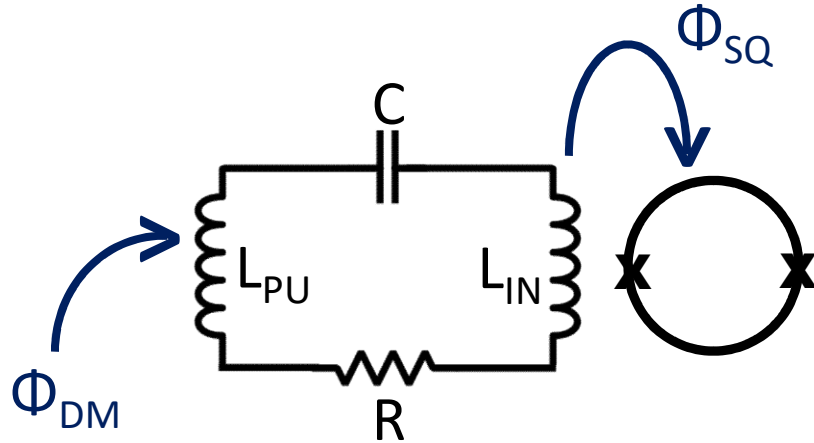
Utilizing sensitivity outside resonator bandwidth

- SNR not degraded as long as thermal noise > amplifier noise
- Enhancement from using all information in sensitivity BW
- DM Radio fixed resonator:
 - Resonator BW: 37 Hz
 - Sensitivity BW: 1.16 kHz
- Now: optimizing Pilot SQUIDs to improve science reach

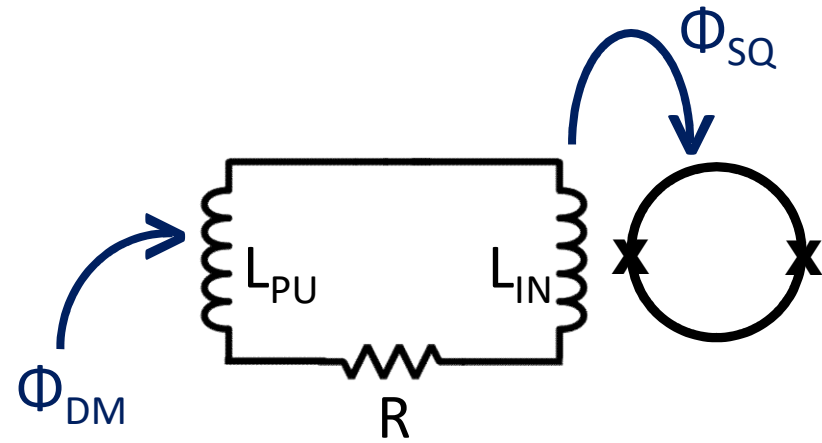
- Receiver figure of merit is not sensitivity at peak response, but *integrated sensitivity*.
- Quantum-limited amplifiers desirable for thermal states $hf < kT$.



Resonator beats broadband



(e.g. DM Radio, Chaudhuri et al,
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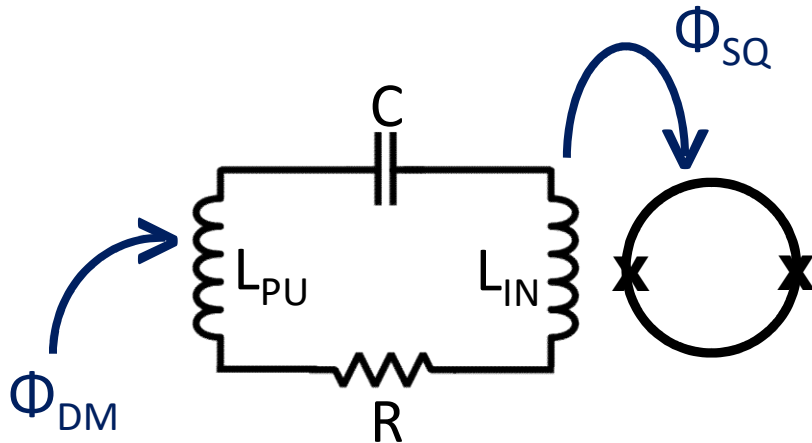


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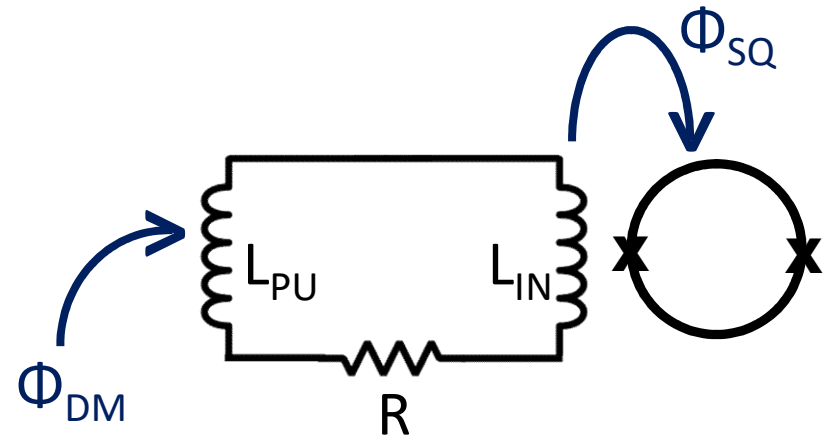
- Near resonance:
 - Resonator: thermal noise rung up, above amplifier noise
 - Broadband: thermal noise rolled off by LR pole, degraded by amplifier
- Far above resonance: capacitance shorts out, same sensitivity
- Resonator fixed at lowest search frequency beats broadband
- When scanned, resonator integration times a couple orders of magnitude lower than broadband

One-pole resonator is better at all frequencies where a resonator can be practically constructed ($> \sim 100$ Hz)

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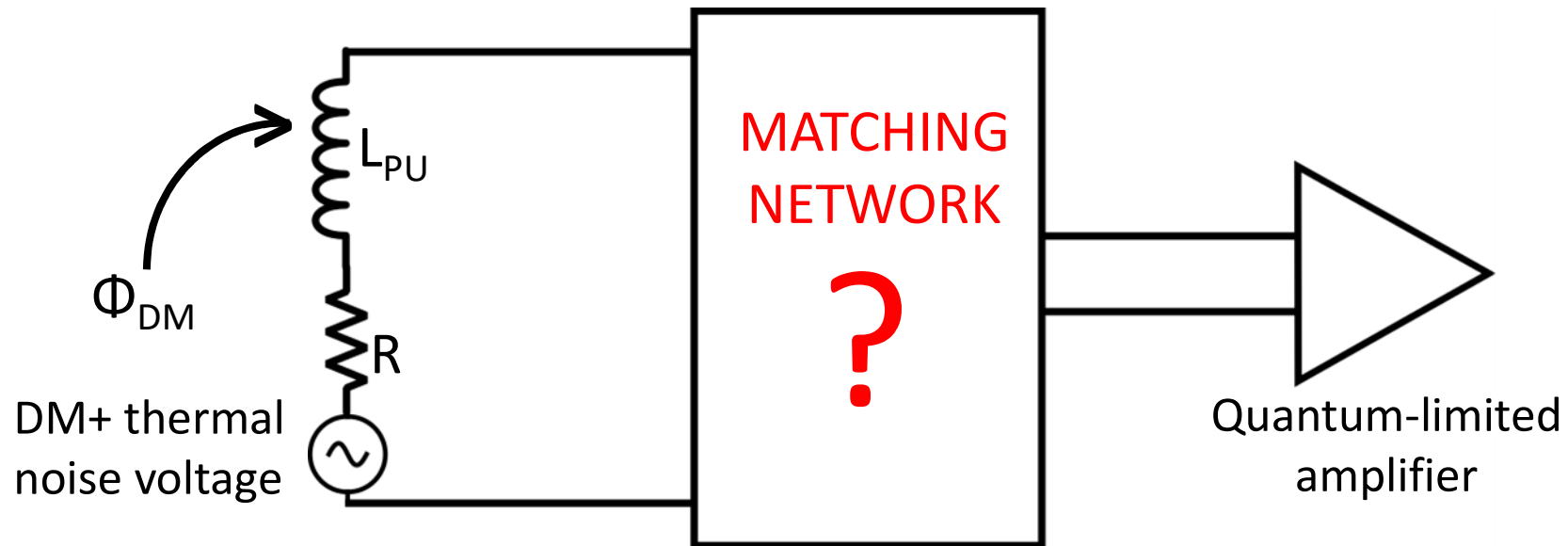


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Resonant is better than broadband. *But what is best?*

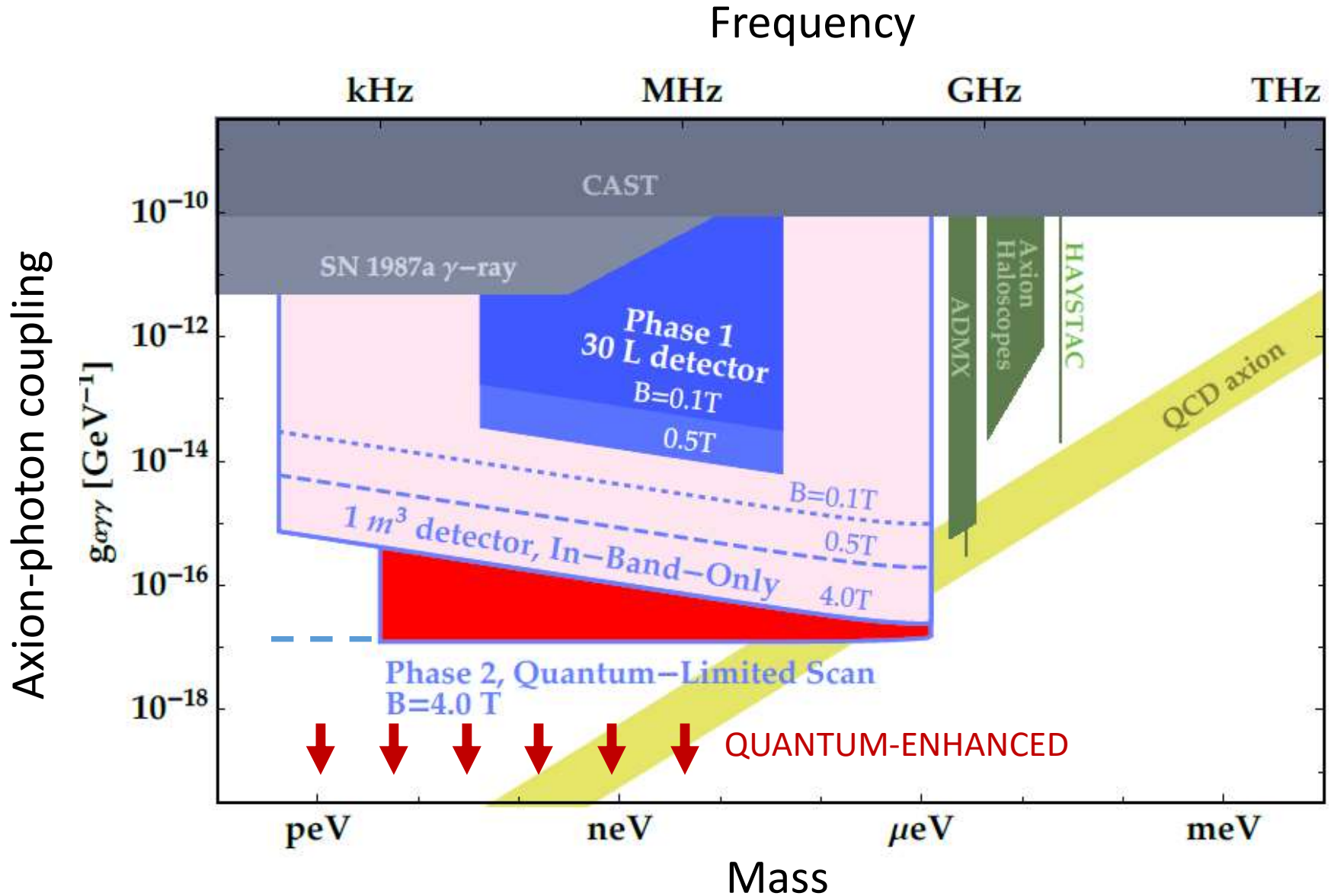
Integrated sensitivity limited by Bode-Fano



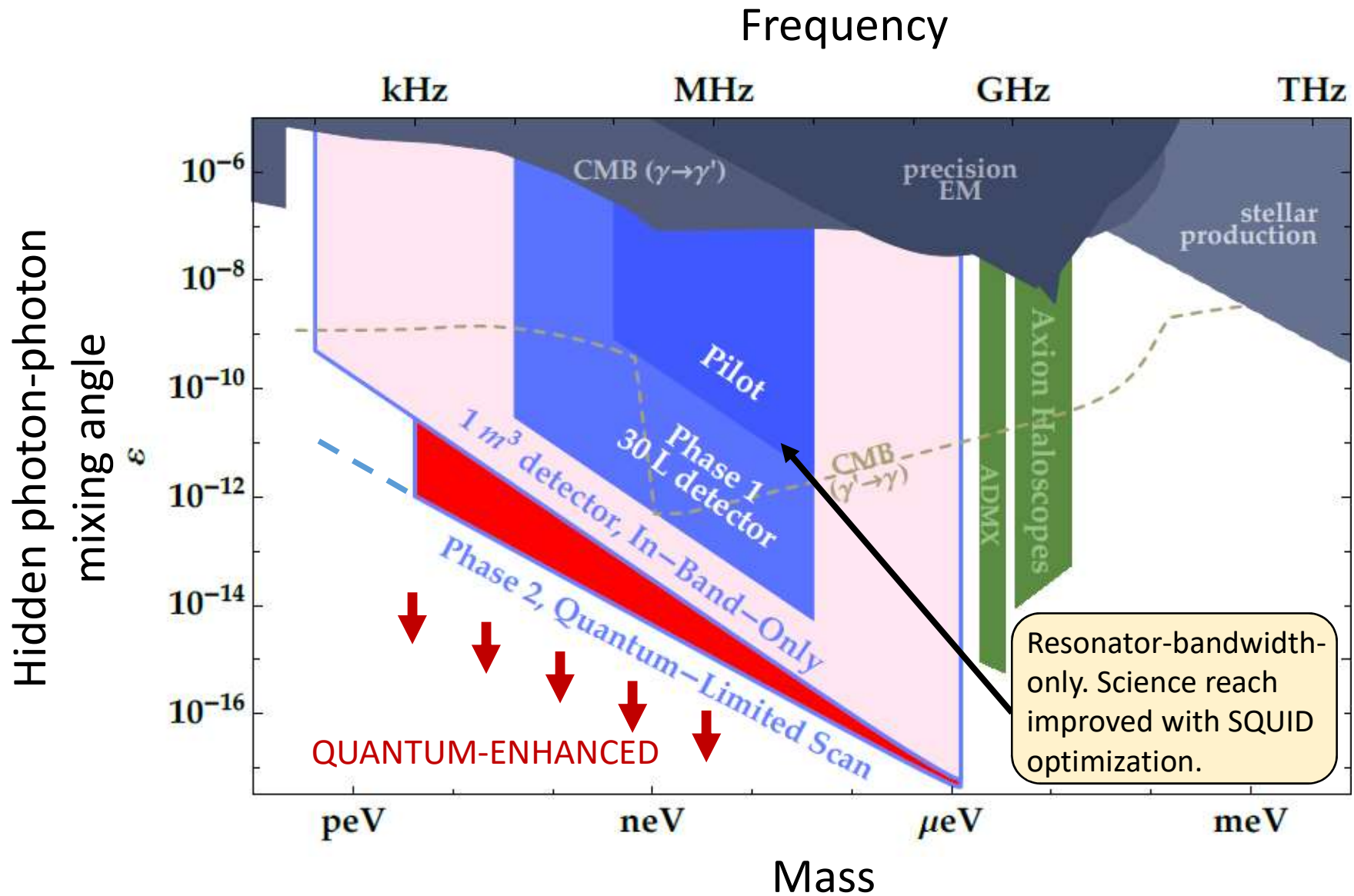
- Inductive coupling is optimal
- Matching reactance to real amplifier noise impedance
- For fixed inductor quality + pickup volume, integrated sensitivity constrained by Bode-Fano criterion
 - H.W. Bode, "Network Analysis and Feedback Amplifier Design" (1946)
 - R.M. Fano, *Journal of the Franklin Institute* (1950)
- Single-pole resonator is $\approx 75\%$ of maximum integrated sensitivity

Resonators are fundamentally near-ideal.

Dark Matter Radio science: axions



Dark Matter Radio science: hidden photons



Summary

- DM Radio: optimized resonant search for axion and hidden photon dark-matter, 100 Hz-300 MHz
- Hidden photon measurements underway, improving Q
- Usable sensitivity outside resonator bandwidth
 - SQUID optimization underway for Pilot
- Resonant approach always beats broadband approach
- Bode-Fano: resonator searches fundamentally near-optimal
- Fundamental limits: strong motivator for quantum-limited amplifiers, measurements evading the Standard Quantum Limit

Extras

Fundamental limits: strong motivator for quantum sensors

- How do we get around these limits?
- Build bigger, higher quality receivers
 - $Q > 10^6$ optimal
- Nonlinear, active matching circuits to evade Bode-Fano
- Evade Standard Quantum Limit on amplification using squeezing, entanglement, photon counting, backaction evasion, etc.
 - Development already under way!
 - HAYSTAC: squeezing
 - ADMX: photon counting
 - DM Radio: backaction evasion
 - More soon!