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Tokyo Axion Helioscope



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Axion

What is the Axion?

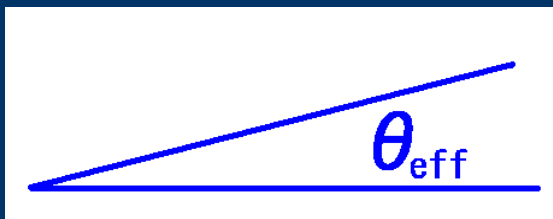
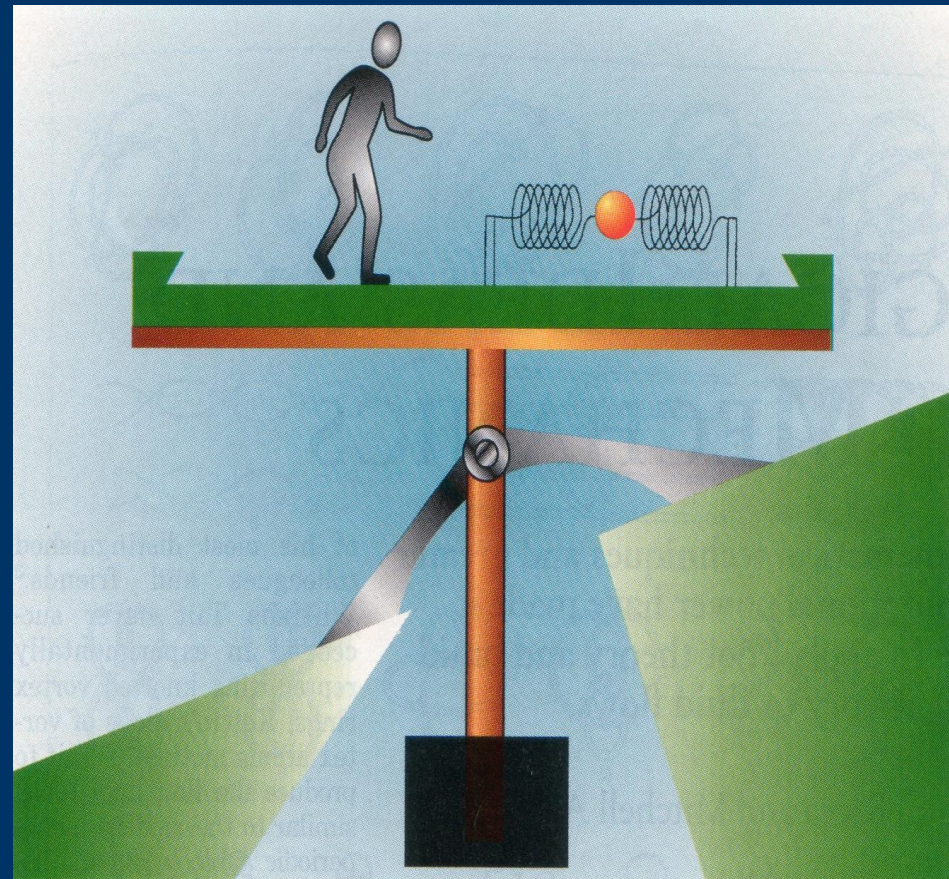
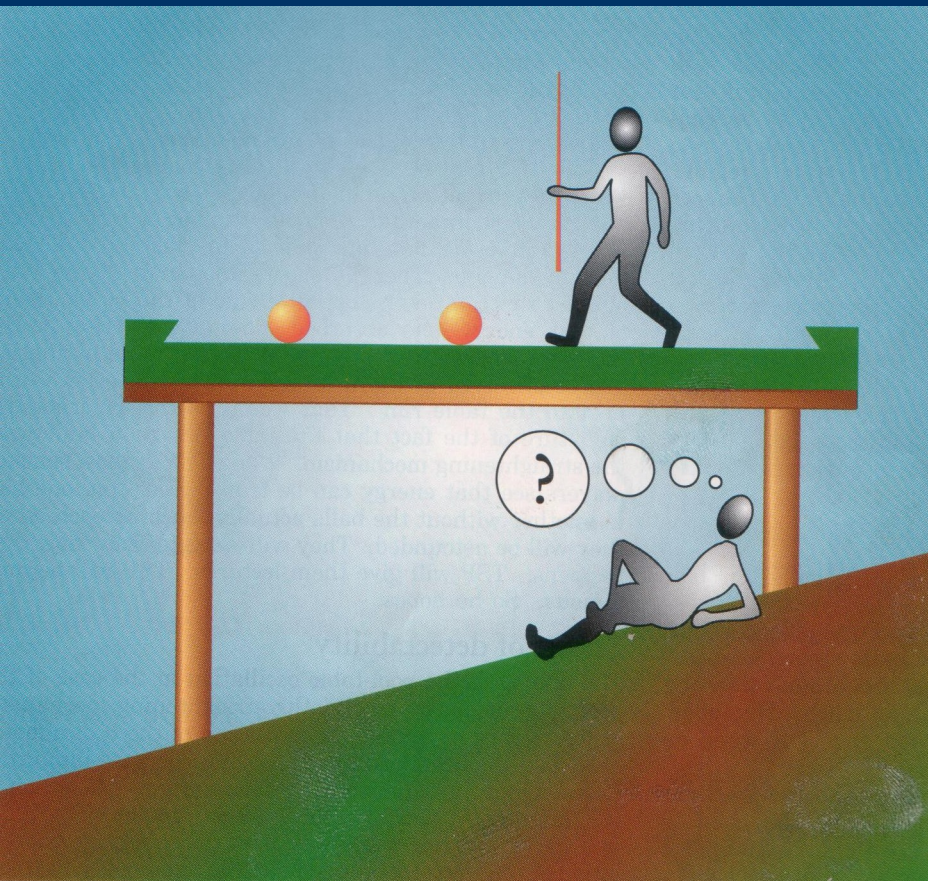
- QCD $\rightarrow \theta$ vacuum \rightarrow Strong CP problem (eg. neutron EDM)
- Peccei–Quinn mechanism:
 global chiral U(1) + SSB
 \rightarrow NG boson + $\frac{(1/32\pi^2 f_a) a F_a \tilde{F}_a}{}$

\downarrow	\downarrow
axion	resolves Strong CP

Searches/Limits:

- Experiments: Accelerator, Reactor, Nuclear transition, Telescope, Solar axion, Laser, Microwave cavity, ...
- Astrophysics: Solar axion, Red giants, SN1987A
- Cosmology: $\Omega_a < 1$

An analogy, P. Sikivie, Phys. Today 49 (1996) 22.



Axion mass and $g_{a\gamma\gamma}$

$$m_a = 0.6 \left(\frac{10^7 \text{ GeV}}{f_{\text{PQ}}} \right) \text{ eV}$$

$$g_{a\gamma\gamma} = \frac{|E/N - 1.92|}{8/3 - 1.92} \times 1.45 \left(\frac{m_a}{1 \text{ eV}} \right) \times 10^{-10} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$

ただし、

DFSZ model の E/N は比較的**自由**

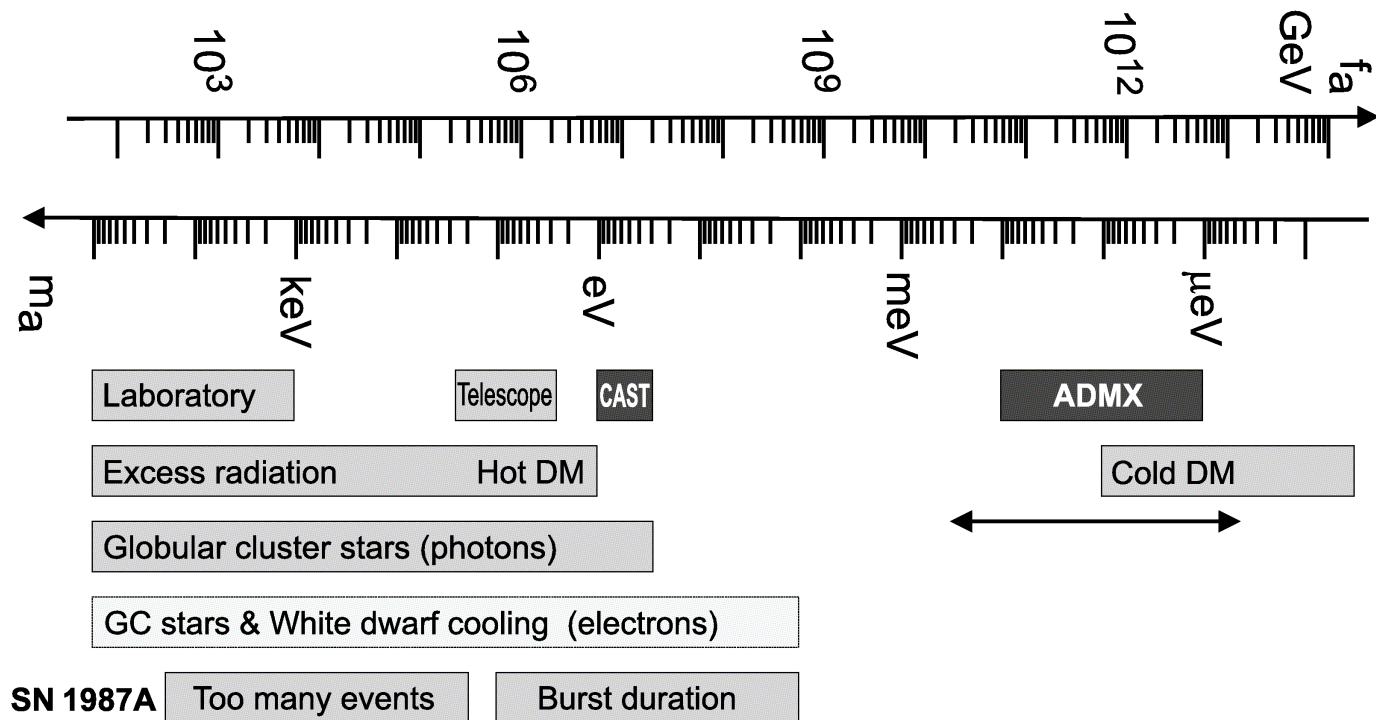
GUT model, **DFSZ model**(**GUT** を仮定) : $E/N=8/3$

KSVZ model : $E/N=0$

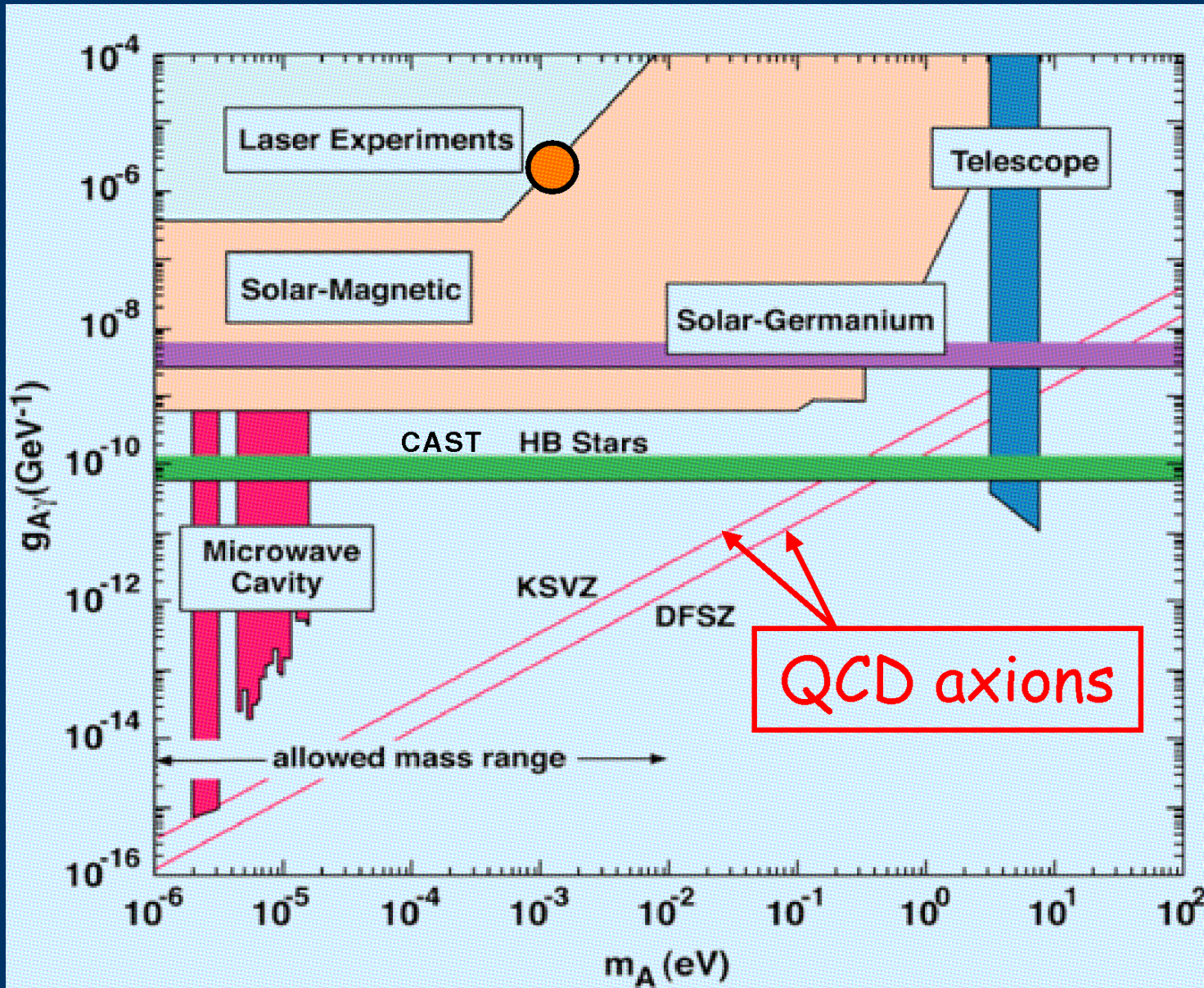
(E/N : the ratio of the electromagnetic and color anomalies)

Axion constraints

2008 Review of Particle Physics



Axion searches

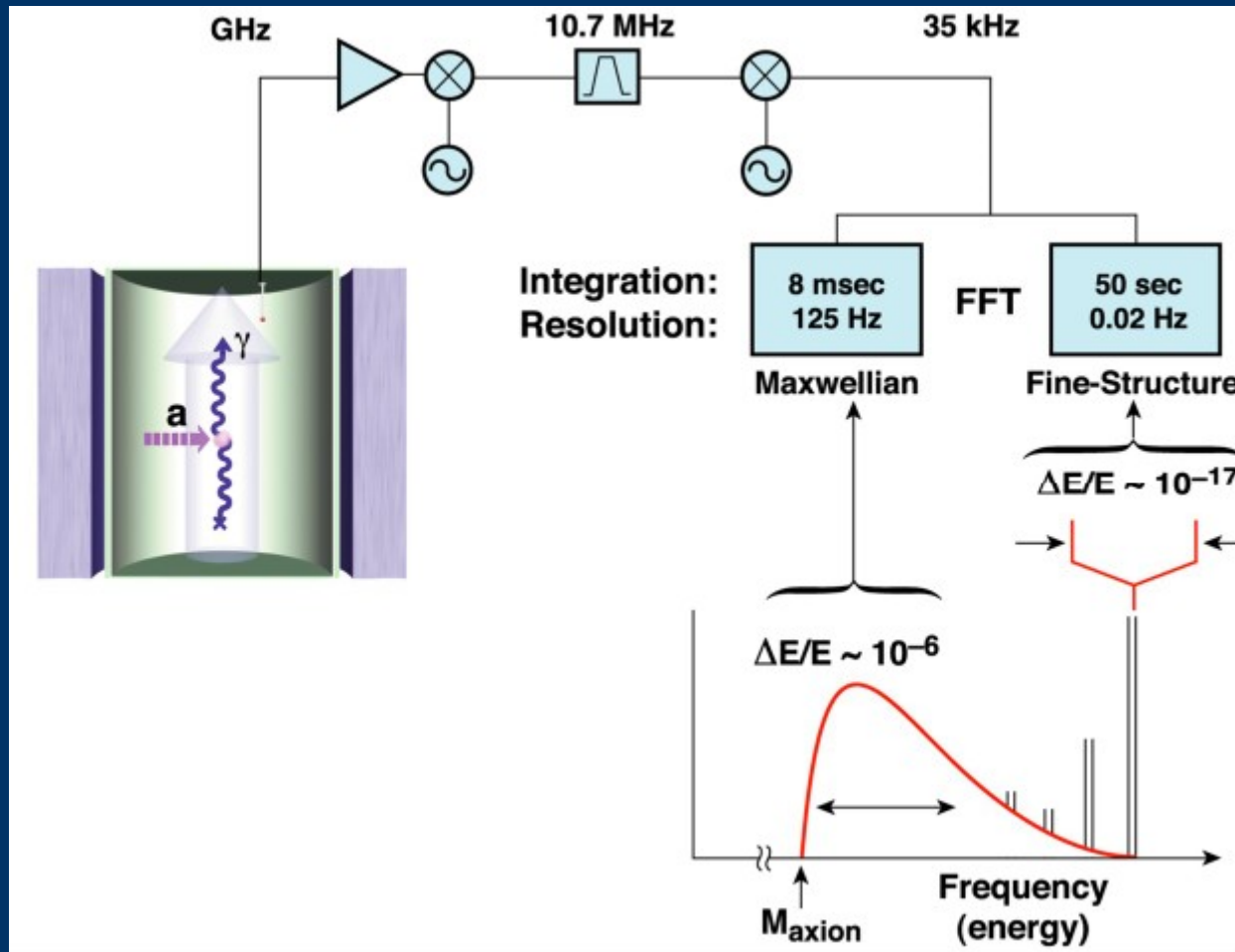


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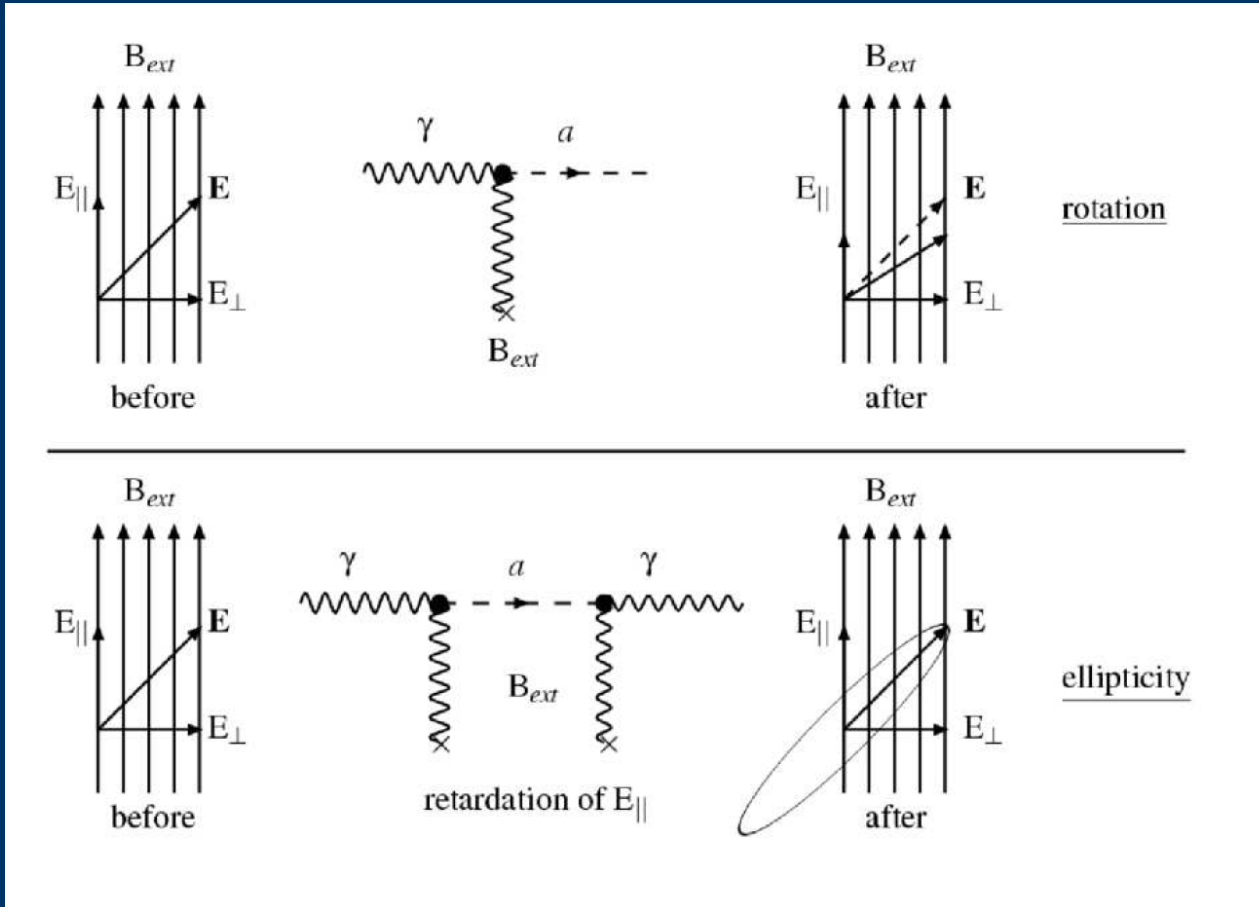
Axion experiments around the world

- Dark matter axion searches – **microwave cavity**
 - ADMX /US
 - CARRACK /Kyoto
 - Solar axion searches – **magnetic**
 - Tokyo Axion Helioscope aka Sumico /RESCEU
 - CAST /CERN
 - LASER experiments
 - PVLAS /Italy – **photon polarization**
 - Anomaly claimed and disclaimed later
 - Follow-up experiments excluded the anomaly
 - **photon regeneration, shining thru a wall**
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ADMX, DM axion search with a cavity

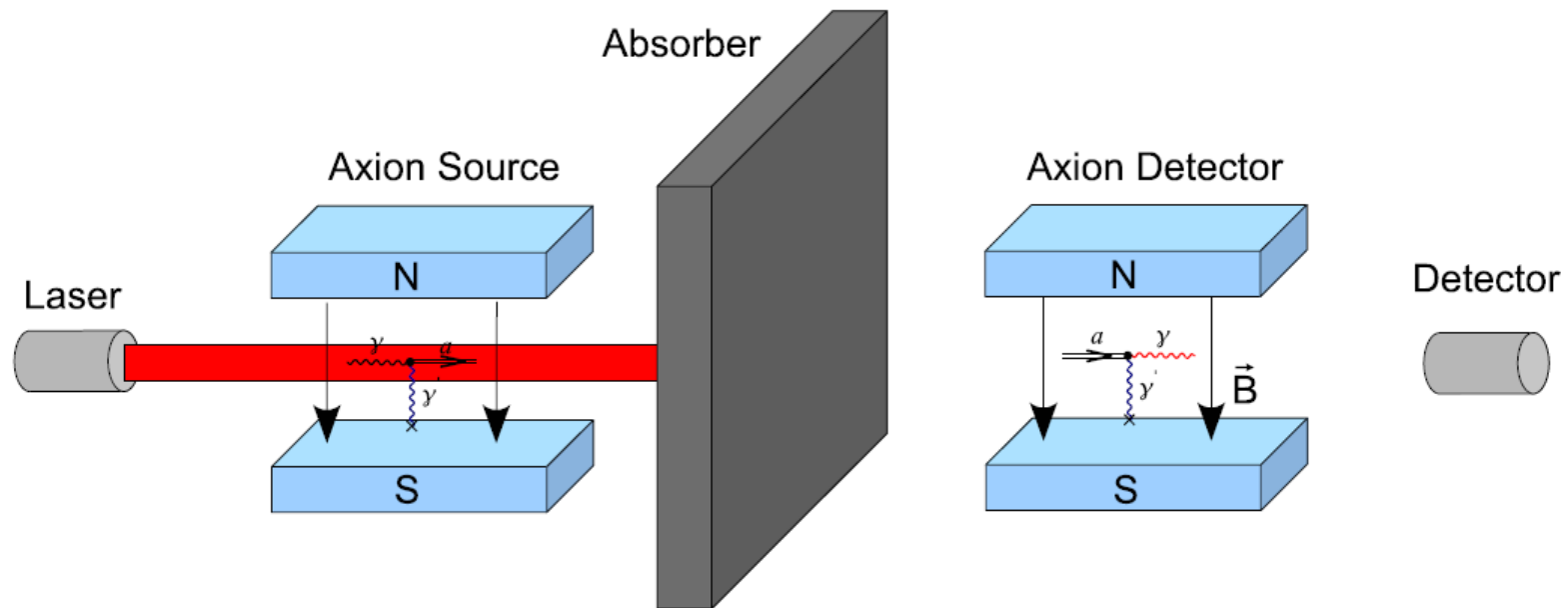


PVLAS, LASER photon polarization



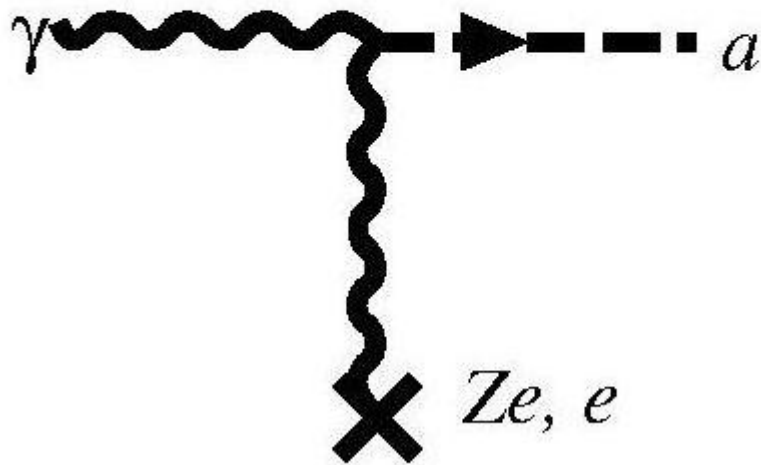
$$\mathcal{L}_{int} = g_{a\gamma\gamma} a \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

Photon regeneration, shining thru a wall

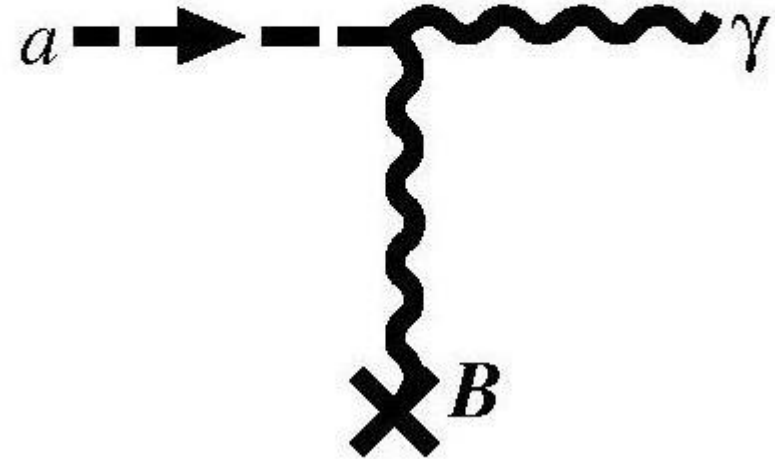


Solar axion, production and detection

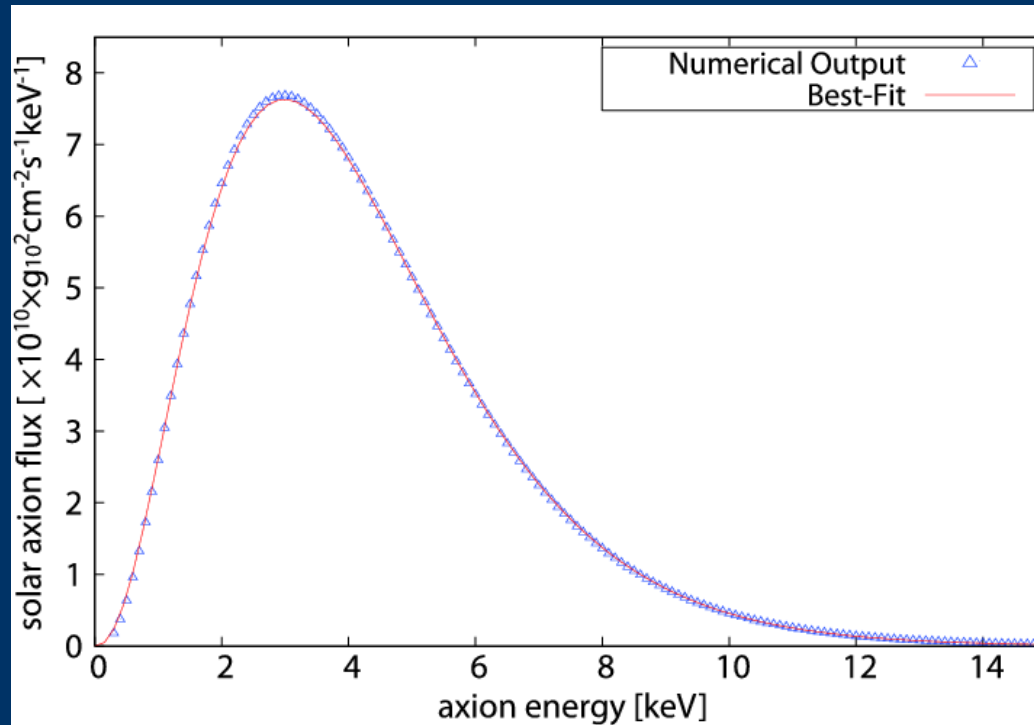
In the solar core



In the magnet



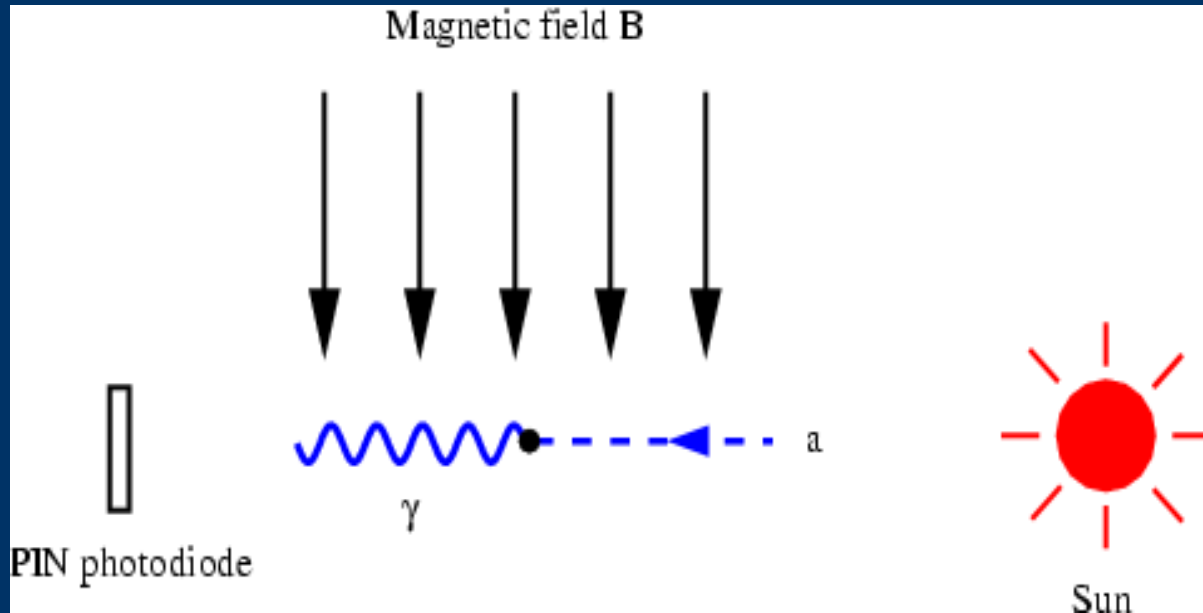
Energy of solar axion



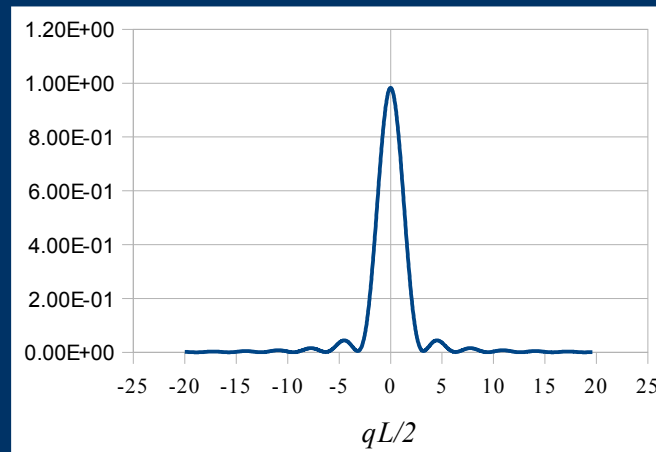
solar axion spectrum
(G.G.Raffelt, 2005)

$$\frac{d\Phi_a}{dE} = 6.020 \times 10^{10} g_{10}^2 \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} \text{keV}^{-1} \left(\frac{E}{\text{keV}} \right)^{2.481} \exp\left(- \frac{E}{1.205 \text{keV}} \right)$$

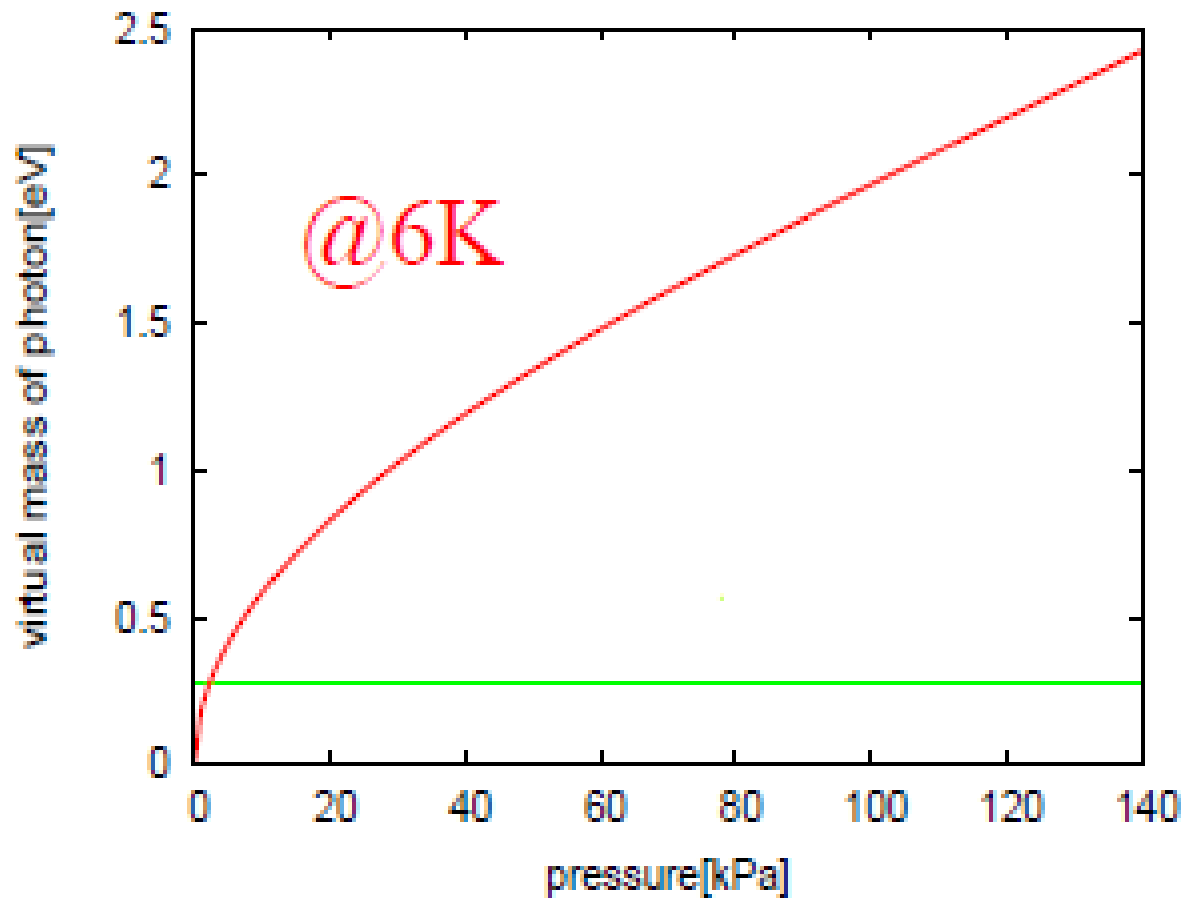
Principle of detection



$$P_{\alpha \rightarrow \gamma} = \left(\frac{g_{\alpha\gamma\gamma} B}{q} \sin \frac{qL}{2} \right)^2$$
$$= \frac{g_{\alpha\gamma\gamma}^2 B^2 L^2}{4}$$

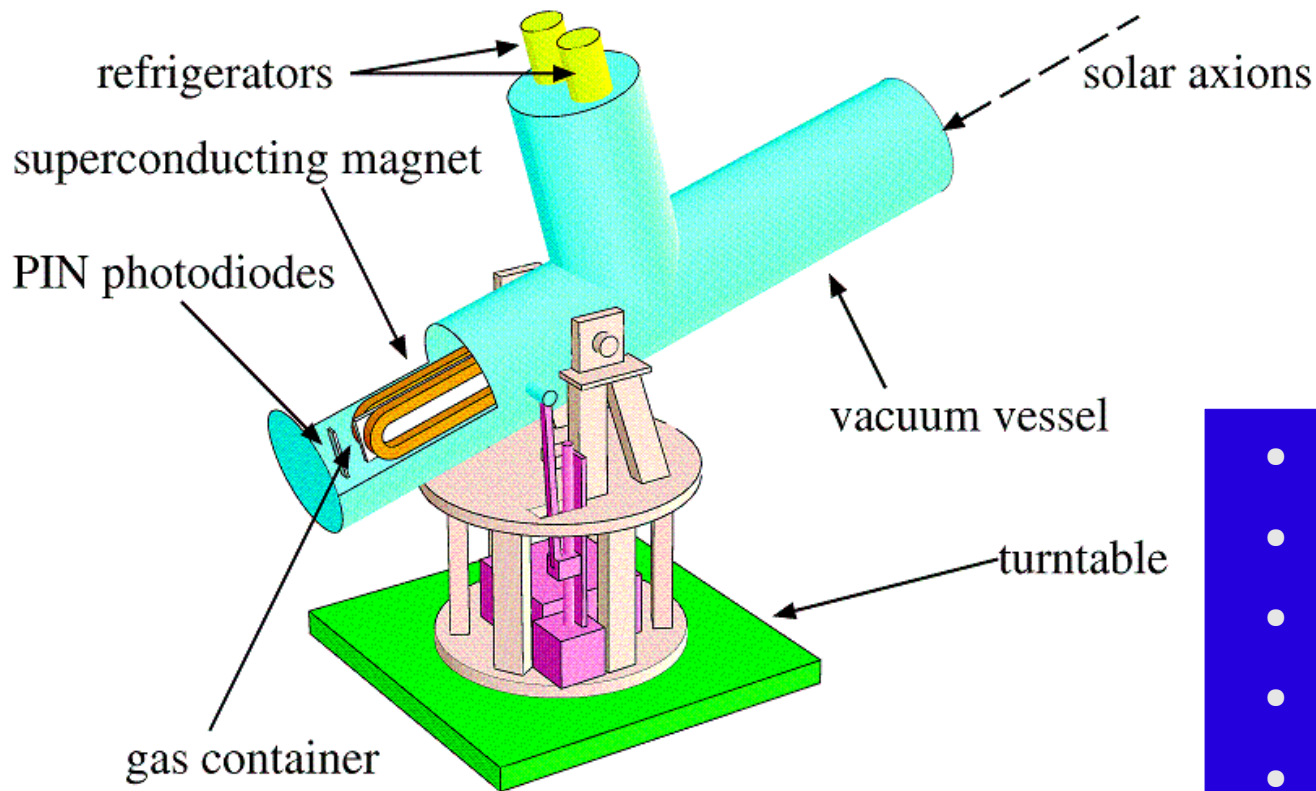


Virtual photon mass in ^4He gas



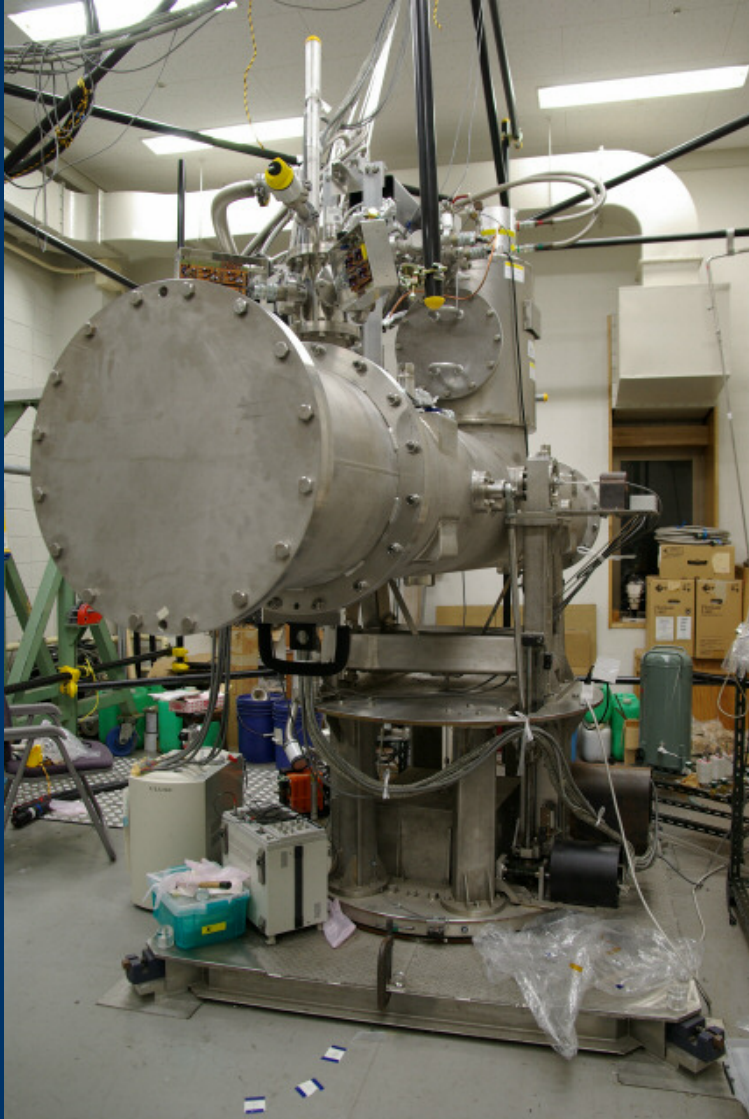
$$q = \frac{|m_\gamma^2 - m_a^2|}{2\omega}$$
$$m_\gamma = \left(\frac{4\pi \alpha N_e(z)}{m_e} \right)^{1/2}$$

Tokyo Axion Helioscope aka **Sumico**



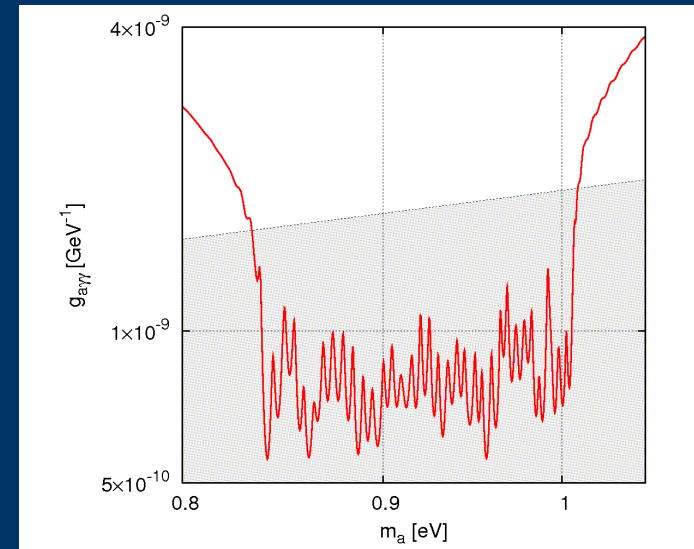
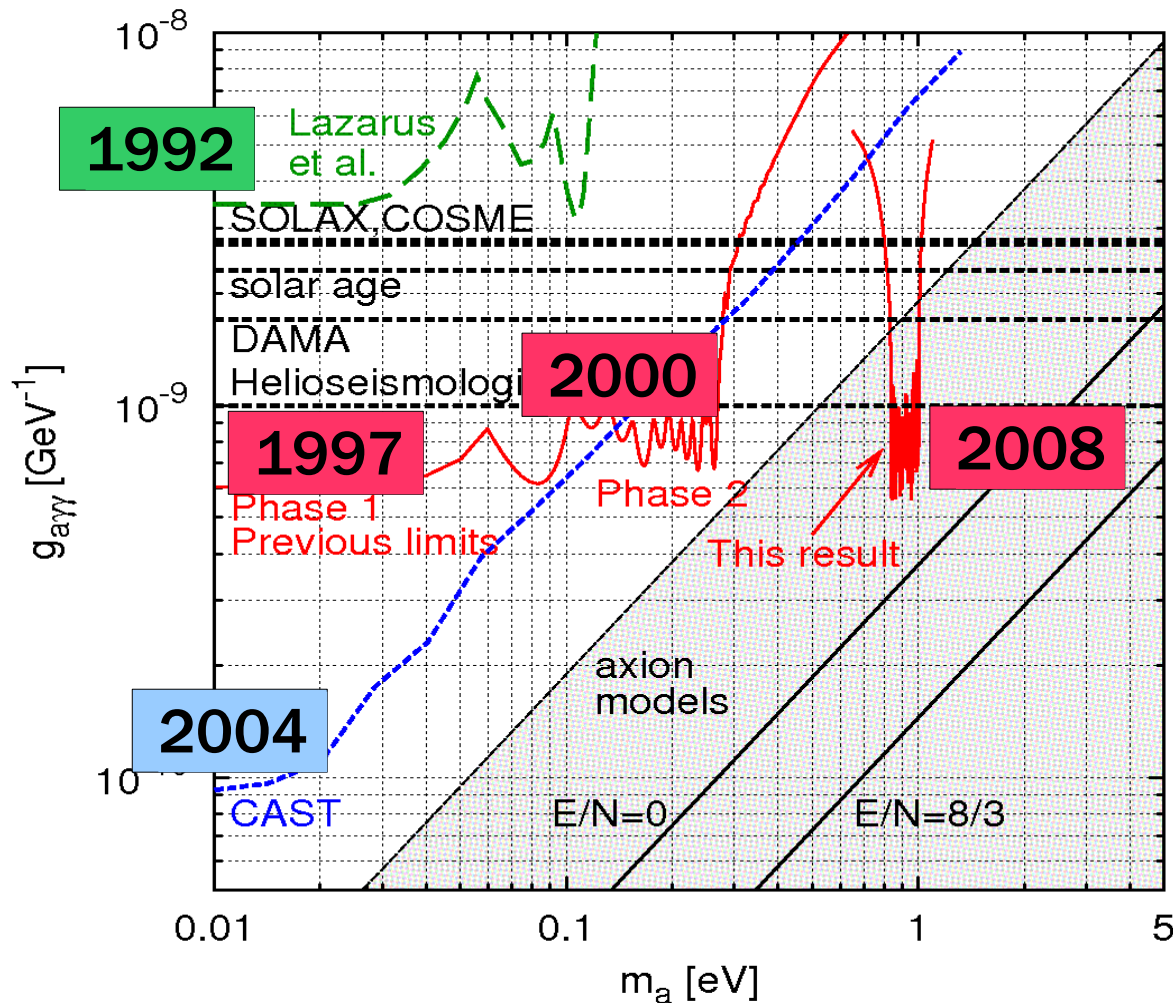
- No Liq. He
- $B=4T$, $L=2.3m$
- 268A persistent current
- 16 PIN photodiodes
- Altazimuth:
Horiz. 360° , vert. $\pm 28^\circ$

Sumico in Hongo campus



- Phase 1 : 1997
 $m_a < 0.03$ eV
no buffer gas
- Phase 2 : 2000
 $m_a < 0.27$ eV
 ^4He of safe pressure
- Phase 3 : present result
 0.84 eV $< m_a < 1.00$ eV
 ^4He of higher pressure

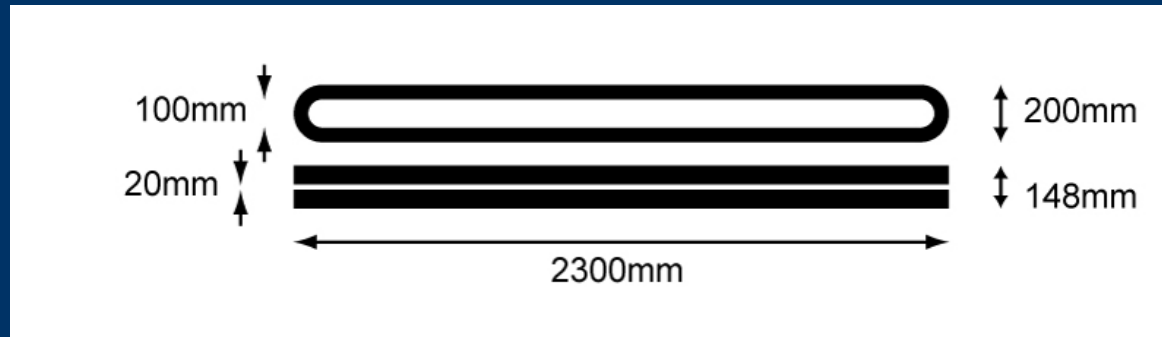
Results and history



Theory of detection:
 1983 P. Sikivie
 Proposal:
 1989 K. van Bibber et al.

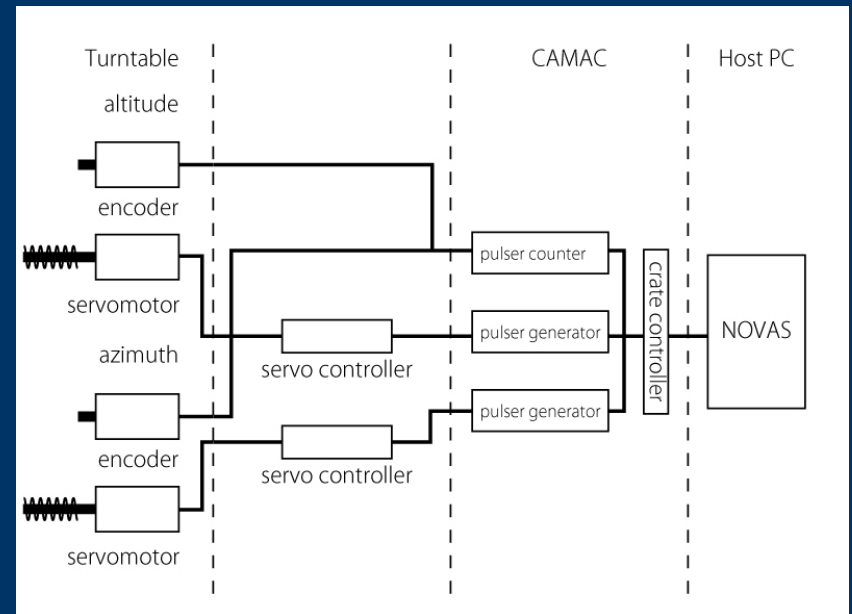
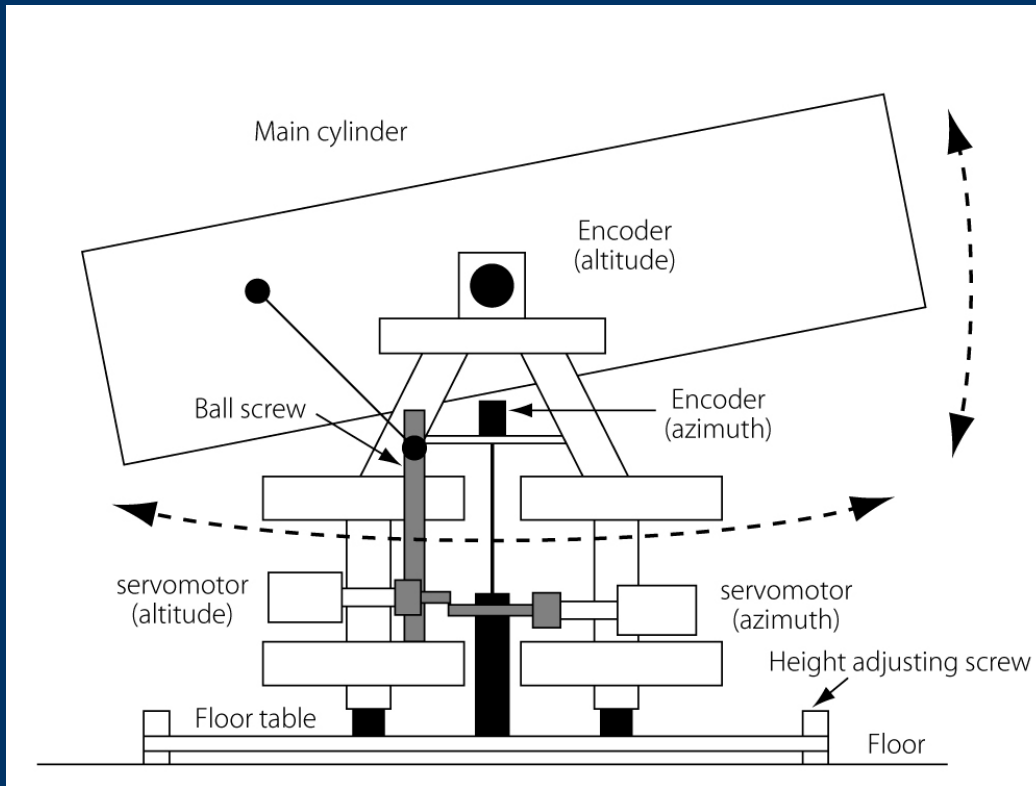
Details of the Helioscope

Superconducting magnet and refrigerators



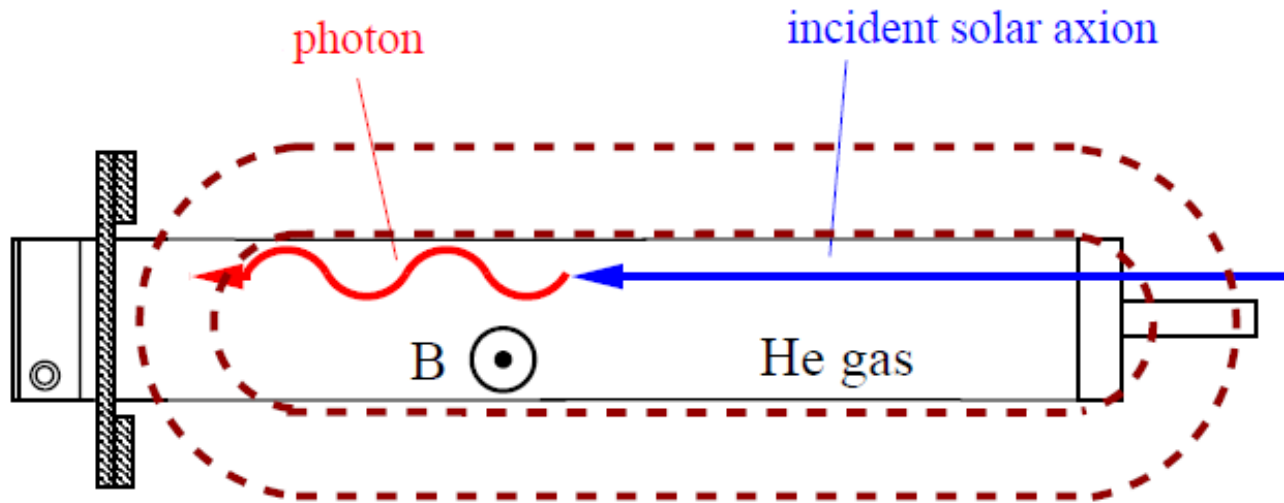
- 2x Gifford-McMahon refrigerators, no liq. helium
- $T=5 - 6\text{K}$
- 268 A persistent current
- $B=4\text{T}$

altazimuth mount



- 2 servomotors and 2 rotary encoders for altitude and azimuth
- Horiz. 360° , vert. $\pm 28^\circ$
- NOVAS-C program for the tracking

buffer gas



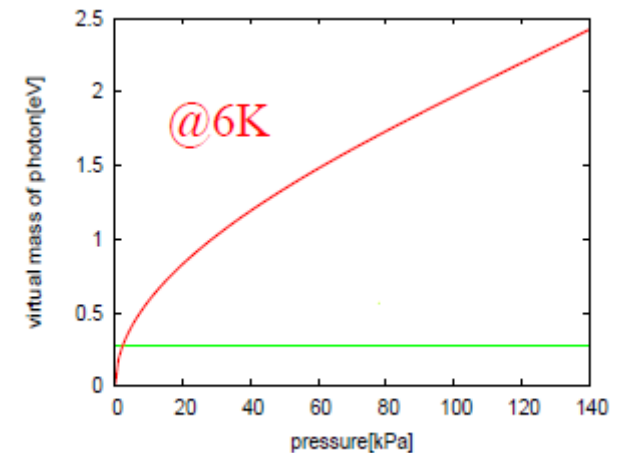
Helium-4 does
not liquefy
@1atm, 6K.

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$$= \frac{g_{a\gamma\gamma}^2 B^2 L^2}{4}$$

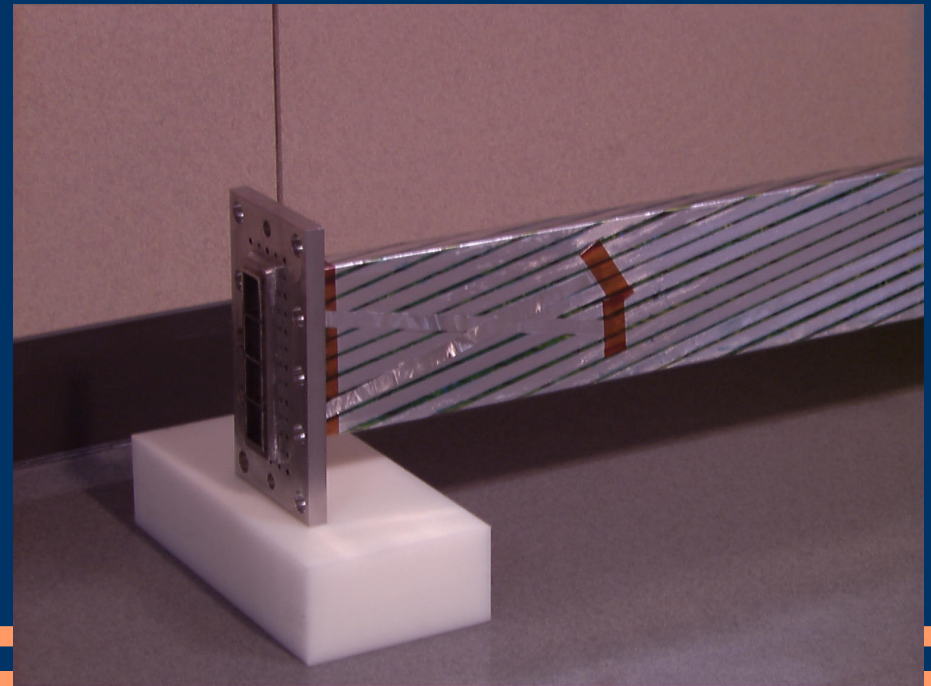
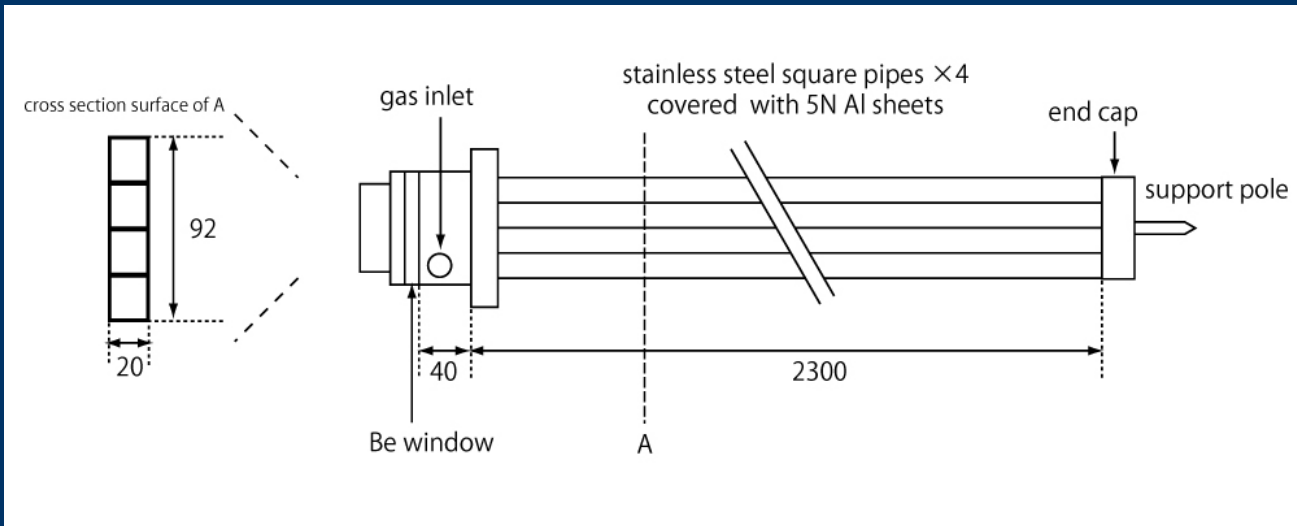
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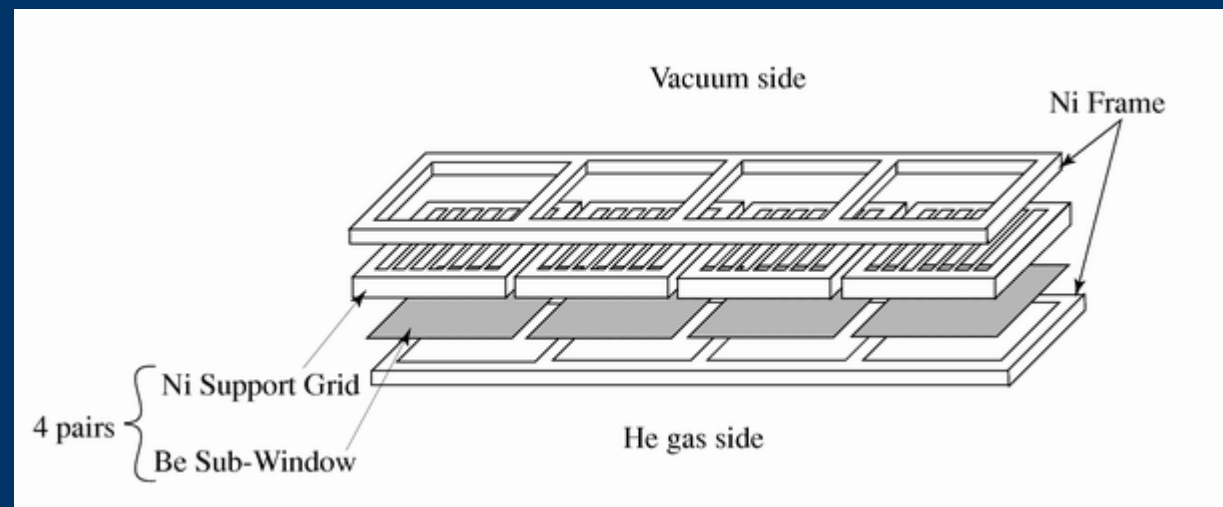
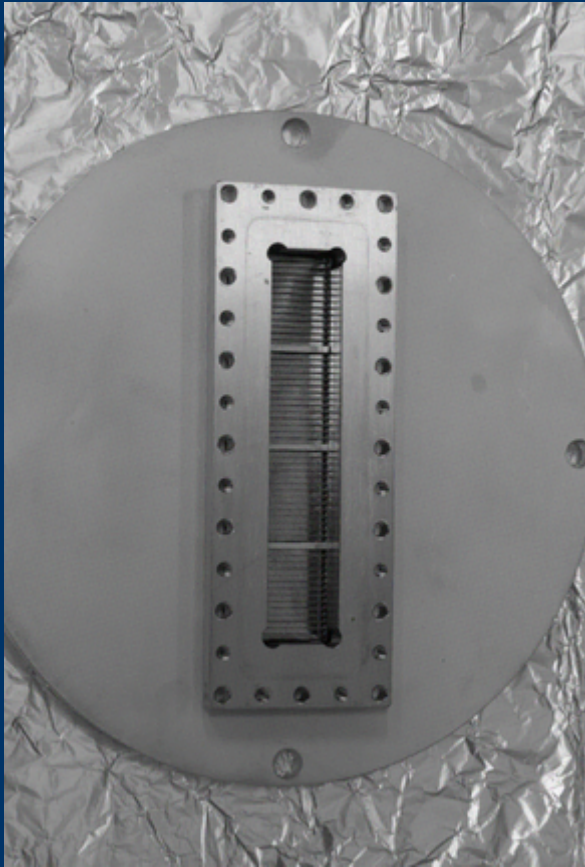
buffer gas container

- Stainless steel square pipes wrapped with 2 layers of 0.1-mm thick 99.999%-pure Al sheet
- Thermal contact only at one end.
- Uniform temperature along the container
- X-ray window on one end

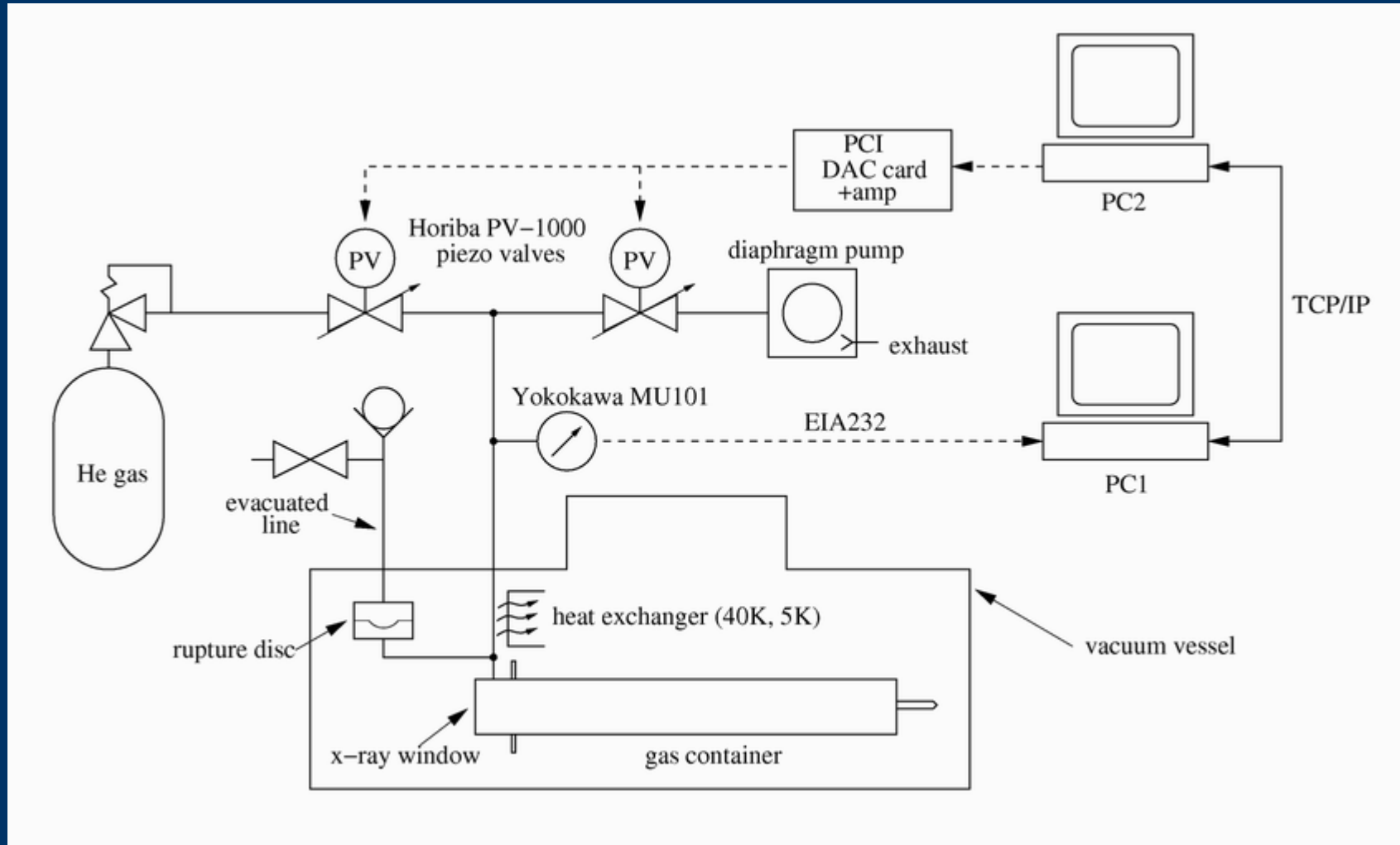


X-ray window

- 25 μm -thick Be with 1 μm -thick polyimide coating and Ni frames
- withstands 0.3 Mpa
- Transmissivity 81.4% @2.98 keV



gas handling system

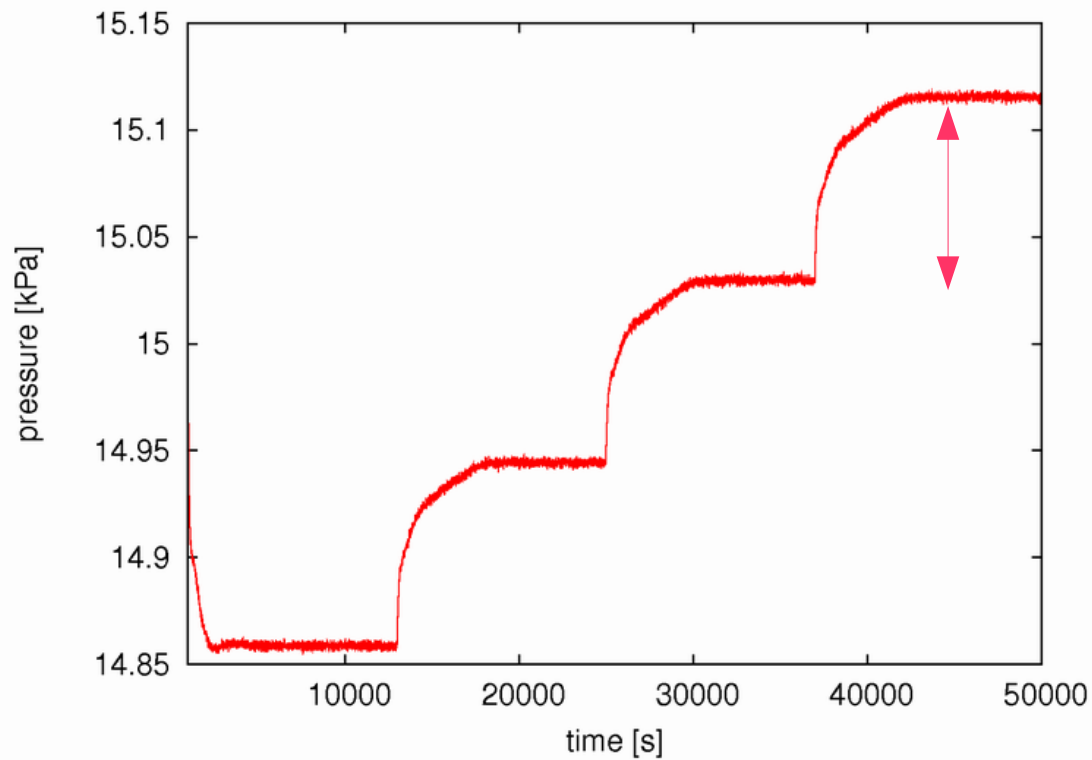


rupture disk

- When the superconducting magnet quenches, the temperature rises up to 50 – 60K within a few seconds.
- Pressure change is, however, rather slow.
- A rupture disk is added.
- It breaks at $P = 0.248 \text{ Mpa}$ before X-ray window explodes.



pressure setting with piezo valves

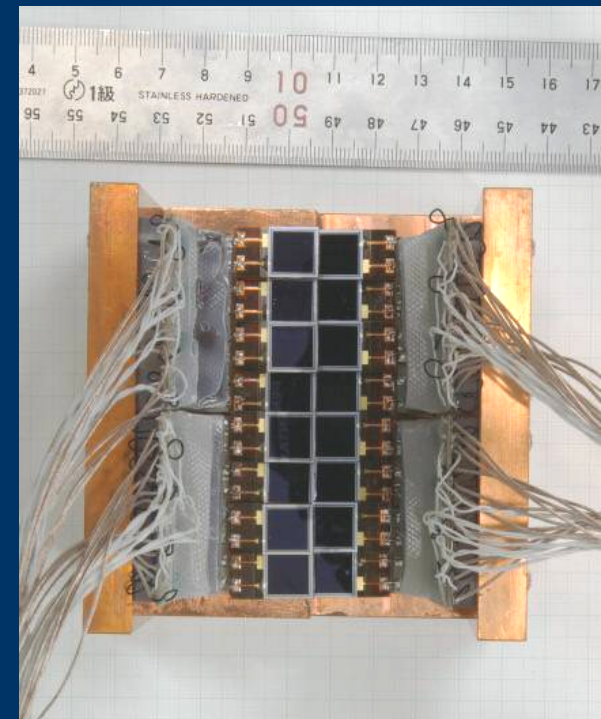
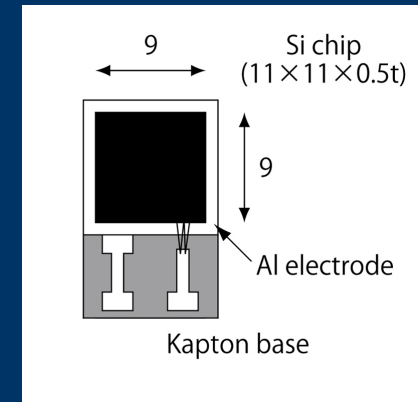


$T=5.75\text{K}$

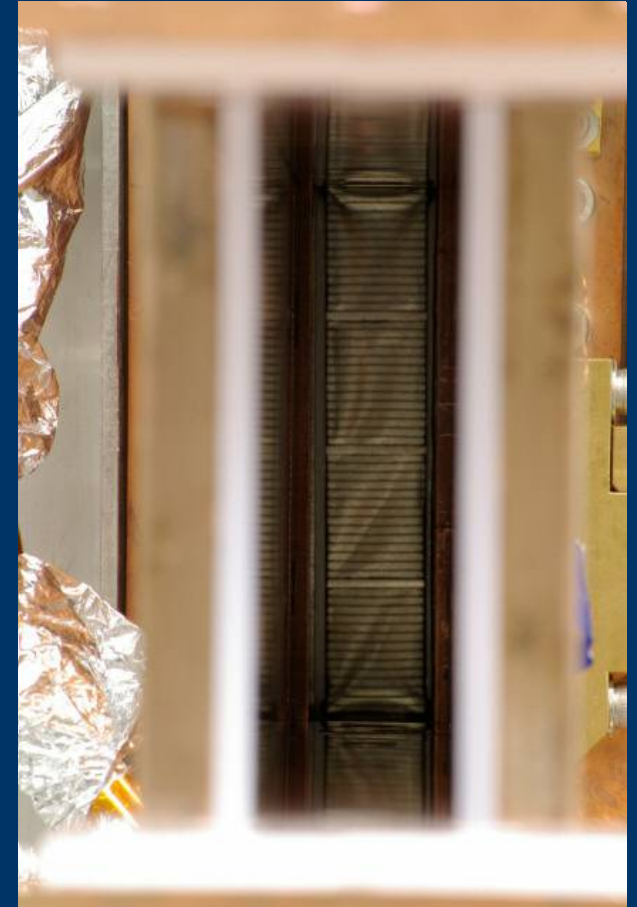
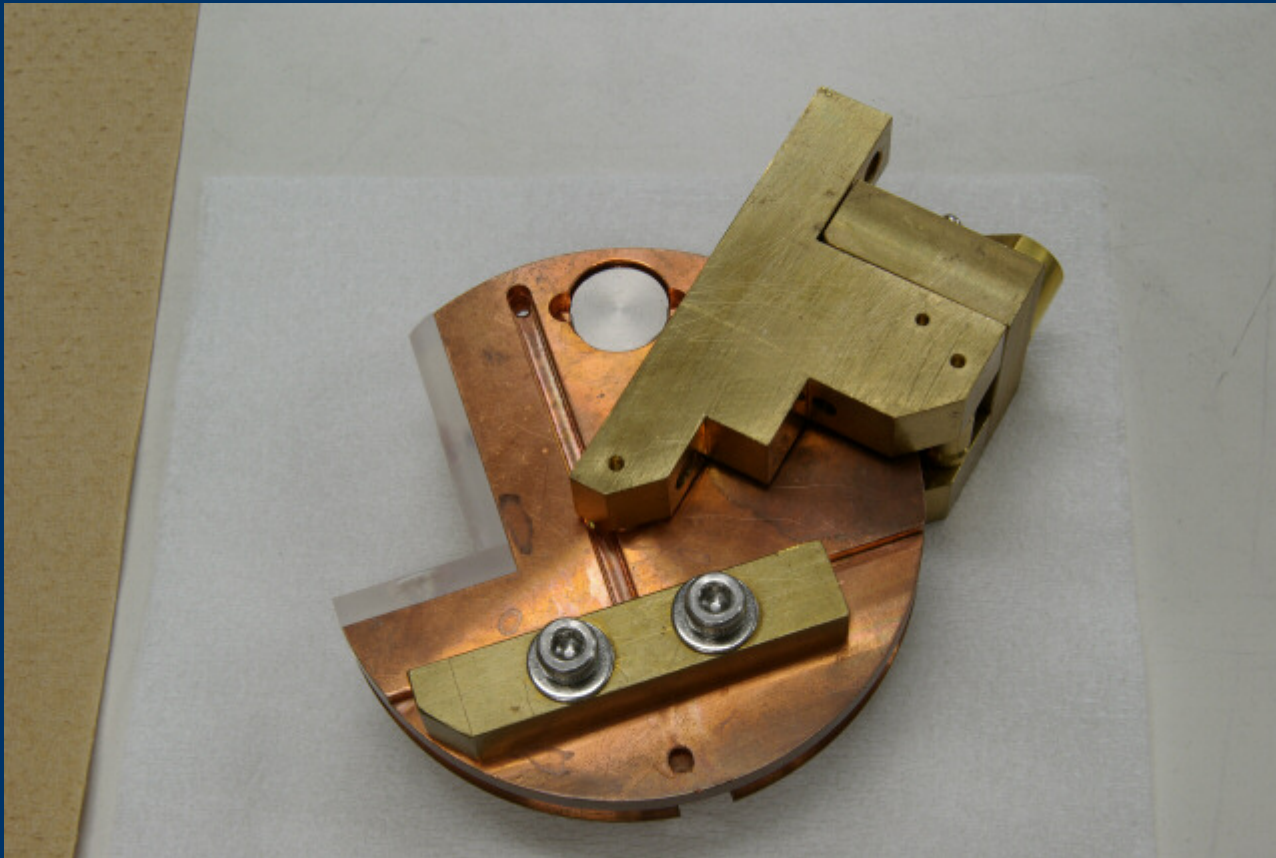
$\Delta m_{\gamma} = 2 \text{ meV}$

PIN photodiodes as X-ray detectors

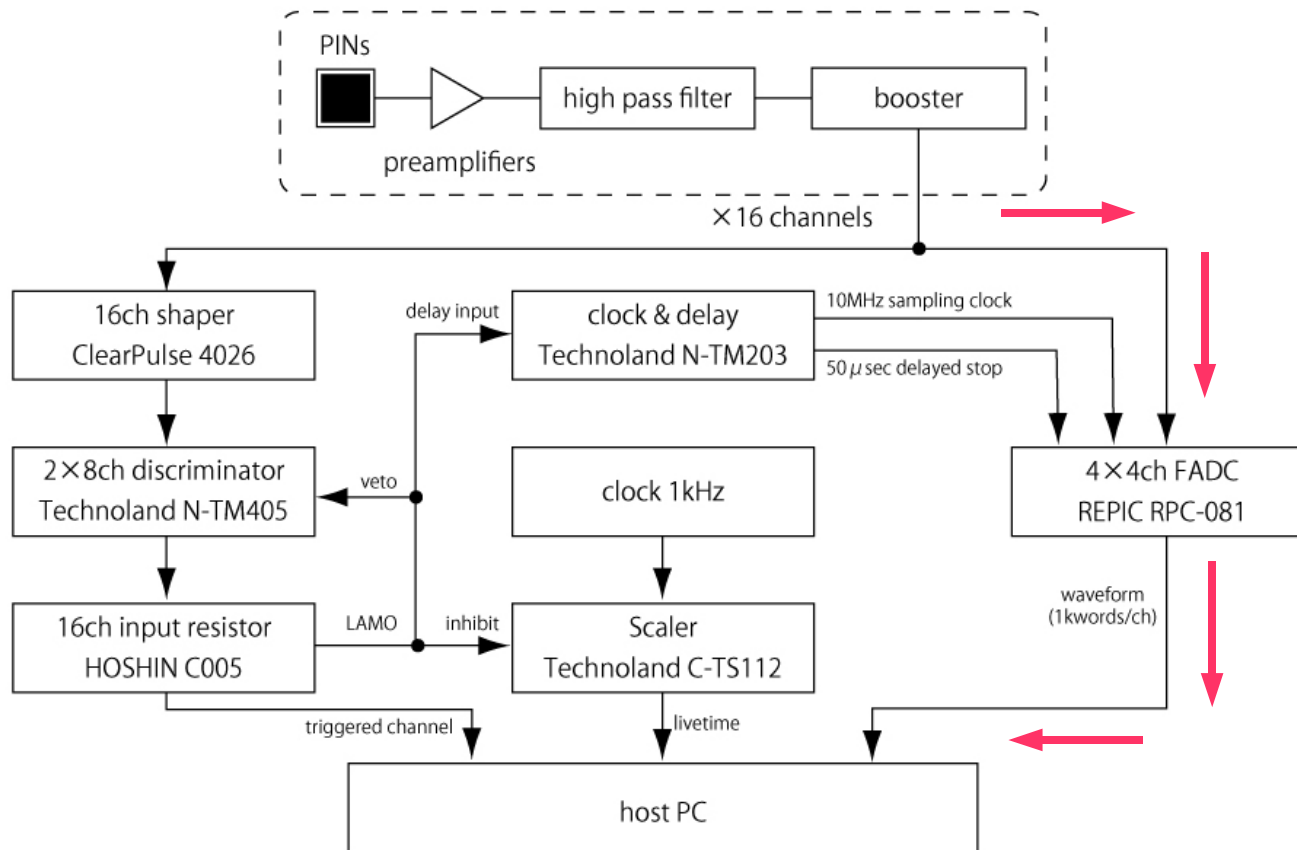
- 16 x Hamamatsu S3590-06-SPL
- High efficiency with 0.5 mm thickness
- Only $0.35\mu\text{m}$ inactive surface layer
- Cold operation at $T=60\text{K}$ anchored at the radiation shield



calibration system with ^{55}Fe

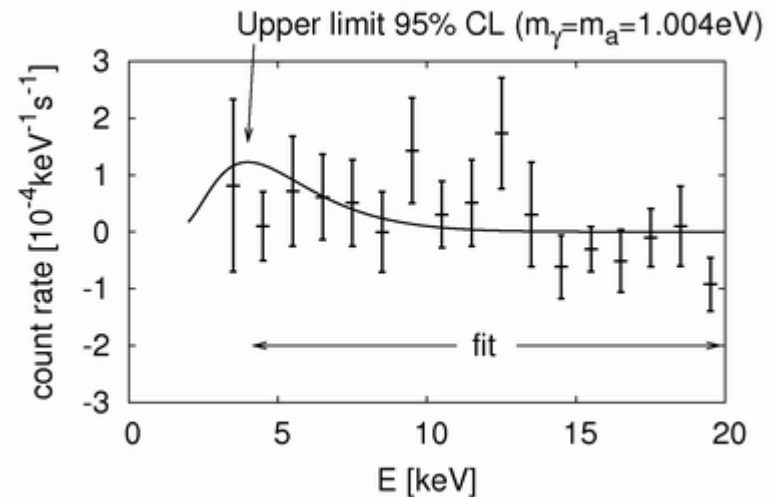
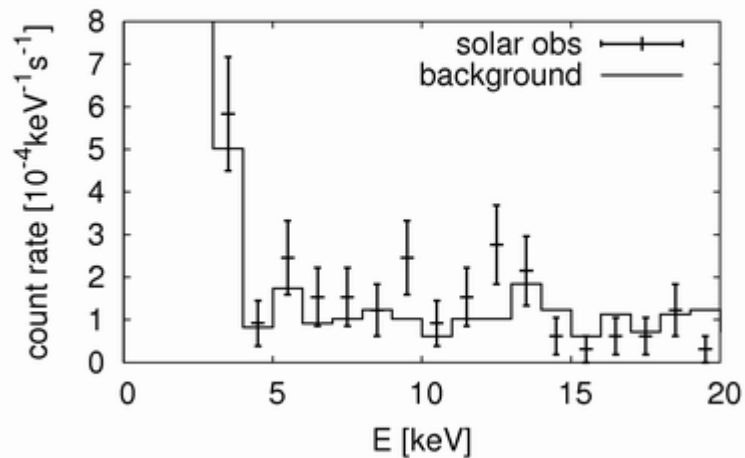


DAQ



- Waveform recording
- Offline shaping

Spectrum



$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=4\text{keV}}^{20\text{keV}} \frac{(y_{ij} - p_{ij})^2}{\sigma_{ij}^2}$$

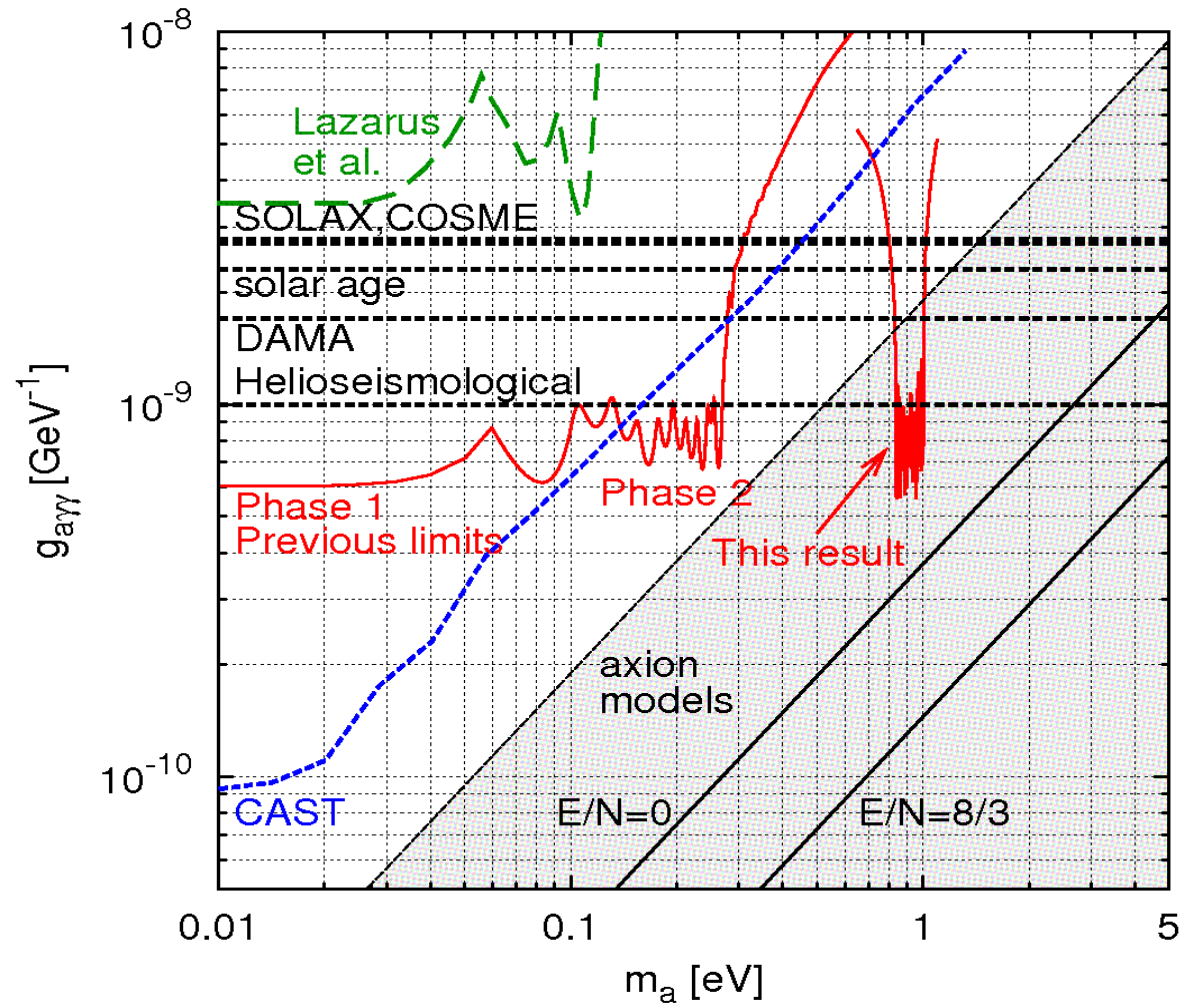
y_{ij} : count rate

p_{ij} : expected count rate

in j -th energy bin

of i -th pressure setting

The result



Sumico vs. CAST to scale



Sumico vs. CAST

<i>BL</i>	4T x 2.3m	9T x 9.26m
<i>T</i>	5 - 6 K	1.8 K
buffer gas	helium-4	helium-4 and -3
cooling	refrigerator	liq. helium
swing	(360°), ±28°	100°, ±8°
detectors	PIN photodiodes	many kinds
running cost	~20kW (¥10k/d)	don't know
# institutes	2	17
# collab.	6	61
size	\small	\Huge

Limitation and Hope

$$g_{a\gamma\gamma}^{\text{limit}} \propto N^{1/8} T^{-1/8} A^{-1/4} B^{-1/2} L^{-1/2}$$

N : background rate
 T : running time
 A : detector area

Smaller BL cannot be compensated by any other factors.

→ CAST wins

X-ray absorption and decoherence due to gravity are not fatal in helium-4 buffer gas even with $m_\gamma = 2 \text{ eV}$.

→ Sumico may survive in $1 < m_a < 2 \text{ eV}$.

Summary

New limit

$$g_{a\gamma\gamma} < 5.6 - 13.4 \times 10^{-10} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$

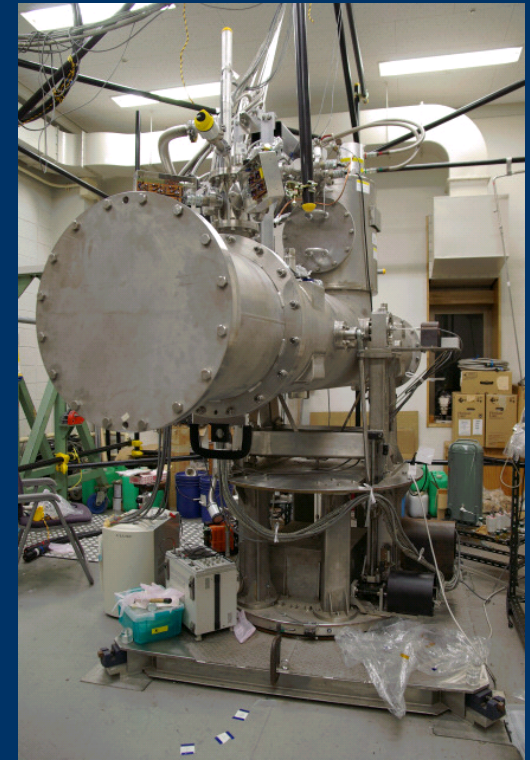
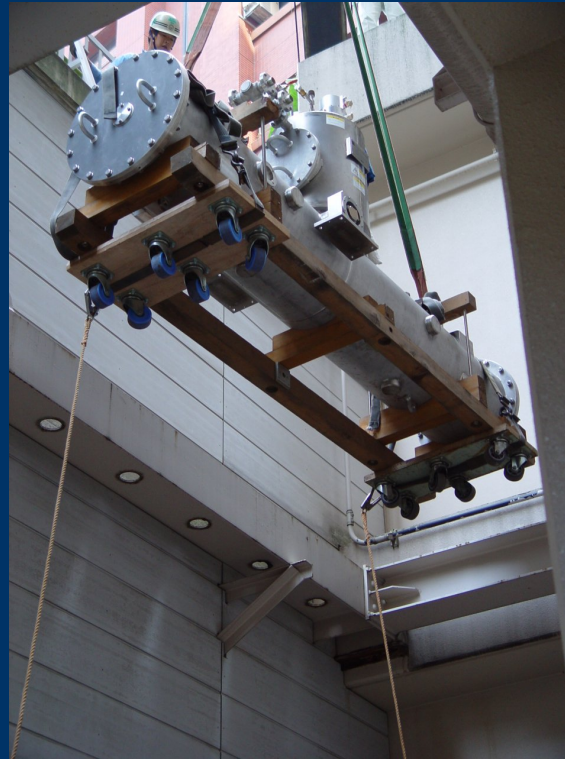
$$0.84 < m_a < 1.00 \text{ eV}$$

is set by

the Tokyo Axion Helioscope aka Sumico.

→ arXiv:0806.2230v2 [astro-ph]
to appear in **Phys. Lett. B**

Photo gallery



Sumico moved from an old building to a new one in 2002.
