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Probing axions and gravitons with magnon detectors

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Plan of my talk

- Motivation for graviton search
- Duality of axion and graviton
- Axion search with magnons
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Motivation for graviton search

Graviton (HFGWs) exists!

Can we detect a graviton?

The answer is negative. Dyson 2013

The reason is simple.

GWs detected at LIGO have

a frequency 1kHz and an amplitude $h \approx 10^{-21}$.

$$\rho \approx M_p^2 \omega^2 h^2 \quad \rho_{\text{single}} \approx \omega^4 \quad \Rightarrow \quad n_{\text{graviton}} \approx \frac{M_p^2 h^2}{\omega^2} \approx 10^{38}$$

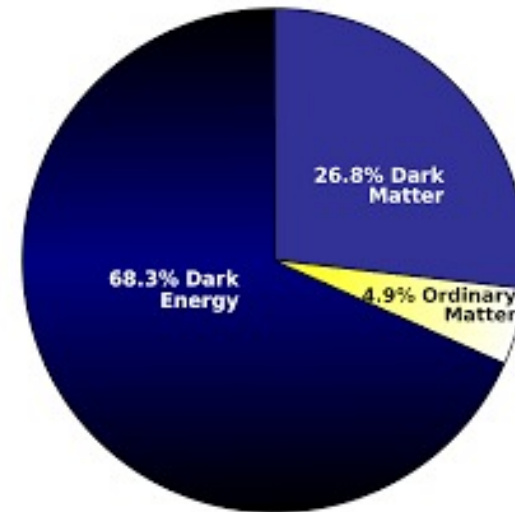
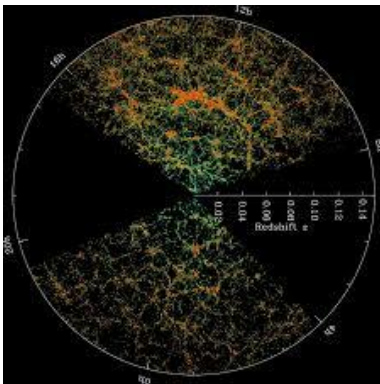
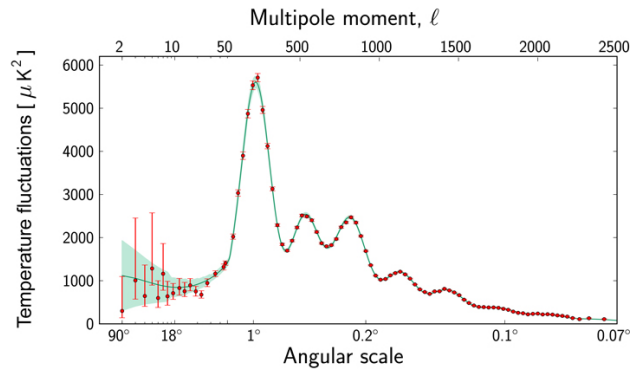
Hence, it is difficult to resolve a single graviton.

It might be possible to detect a graviton by inventing detectors
for high frequency gravitational waves (HFGWs).

With this expectation, I do not distinguish between HFGWs and gravitons.

Remarkably, as we will see,
the detection of gravitons is useful for the dark matter search.

Dark matter exists!



What is it?

A coherently oscillating axion field in the mass range

$$10^{-20}\text{eV} \leq m \leq 1\text{eV}$$

can be a candidate for the dark matter.

Axion dark matter

Axion is coherently oscillating

$$a = a_0 \cos mt$$

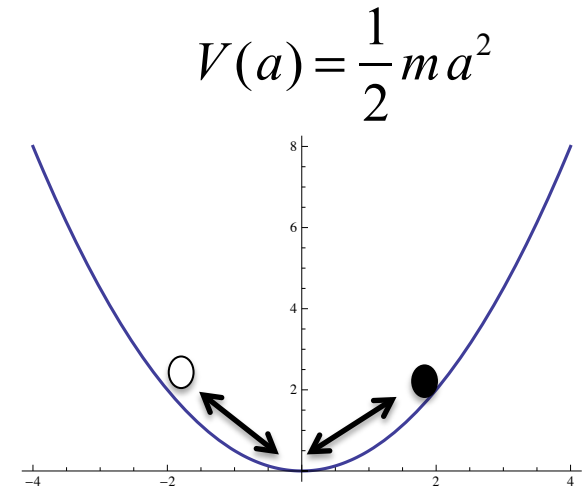
Energy density is given by

$$\rho_{DM} = \frac{1}{2} \dot{a}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m^2 a^2 \approx \frac{1}{2} m^2 a_0^2$$

Pressure is given by

$$p_{DM} = \frac{1}{2} \dot{a}^2 - \frac{1}{2} m^2 a^2 \approx -\frac{1}{2} m^2 a_0^2 \cos(2mt)$$

On cosmological time scale, the pressure vanishes on average.
Thus, the axion can mimic the cold dark matter on large scales.



$$\left(\frac{m}{10^{-6} \text{eV}} \right) \approx \left(\frac{f}{10^9 \text{Hz}} \right)$$

$$H_0 \approx 10^{-33} \text{eV}$$

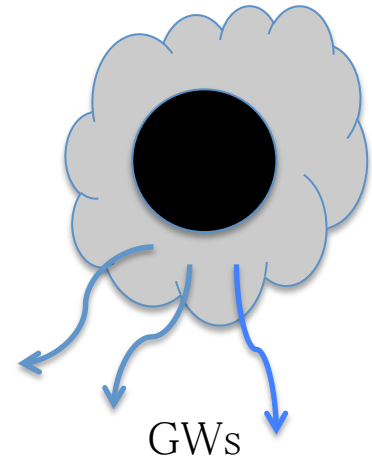
Axion superradiance instability

Super-radiance instability of rotating BHs occurs when the Compton wavelength of an axion and the gravitational radius of a BH becomes comparable.

$$\left(\frac{M}{M_{\odot}}\right) \approx \left(\frac{R_s}{3\text{km}}\right) \approx \left(\frac{m}{10^{-10}\text{eV}}\right)^{-1}$$

The instability induces the rapid growth of axion cloud which significantly reduces the spin of the BH and produces GWs.

Thus, the finding of a rapidly rotating BHs implies that there is no axion with the mass whose Compton wavelength corresponds to the gravitational radius of the BH.



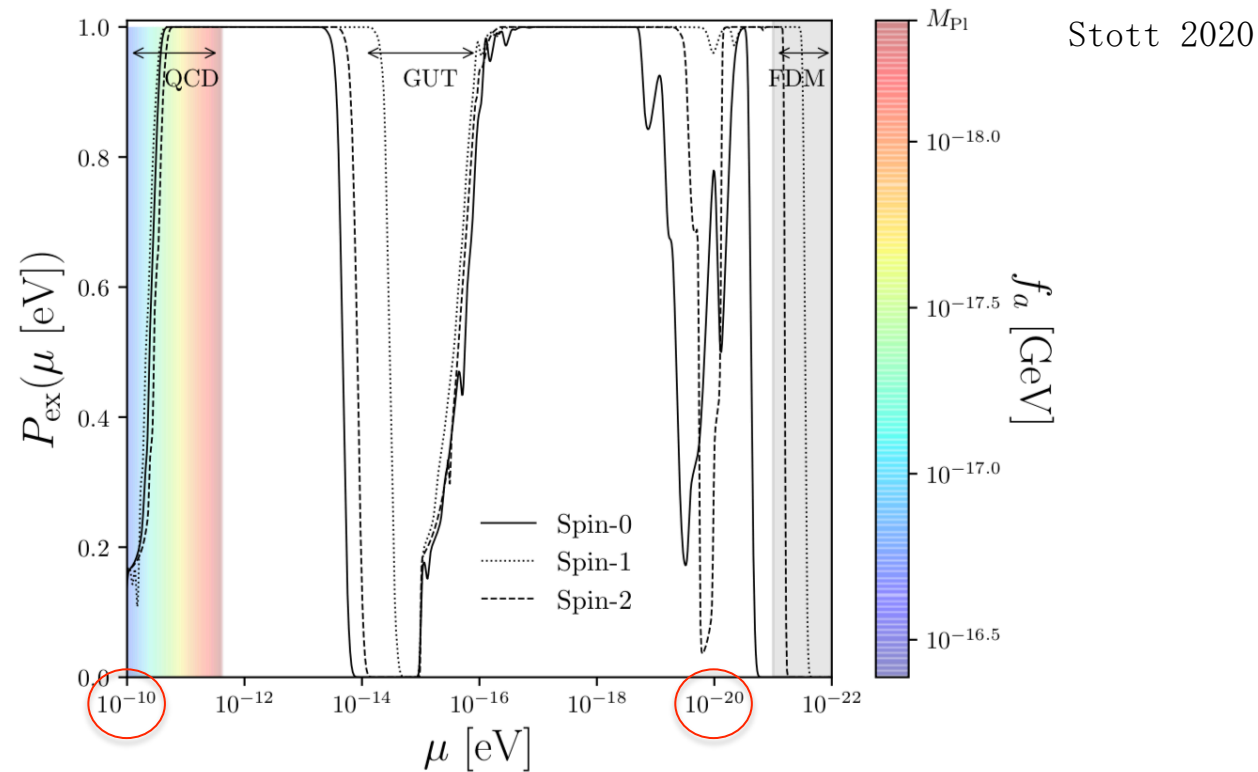
Hence, the rapidly rotating astrophysical BHs in the mass range

$$1M_{\odot} \leq M \leq 10^{10} M_{\odot}$$

can constrain the axion with the mass

$$10^{-20}\text{eV} \leq m \leq 10^{-10}\text{eV}$$

Constraints on axion from BHs

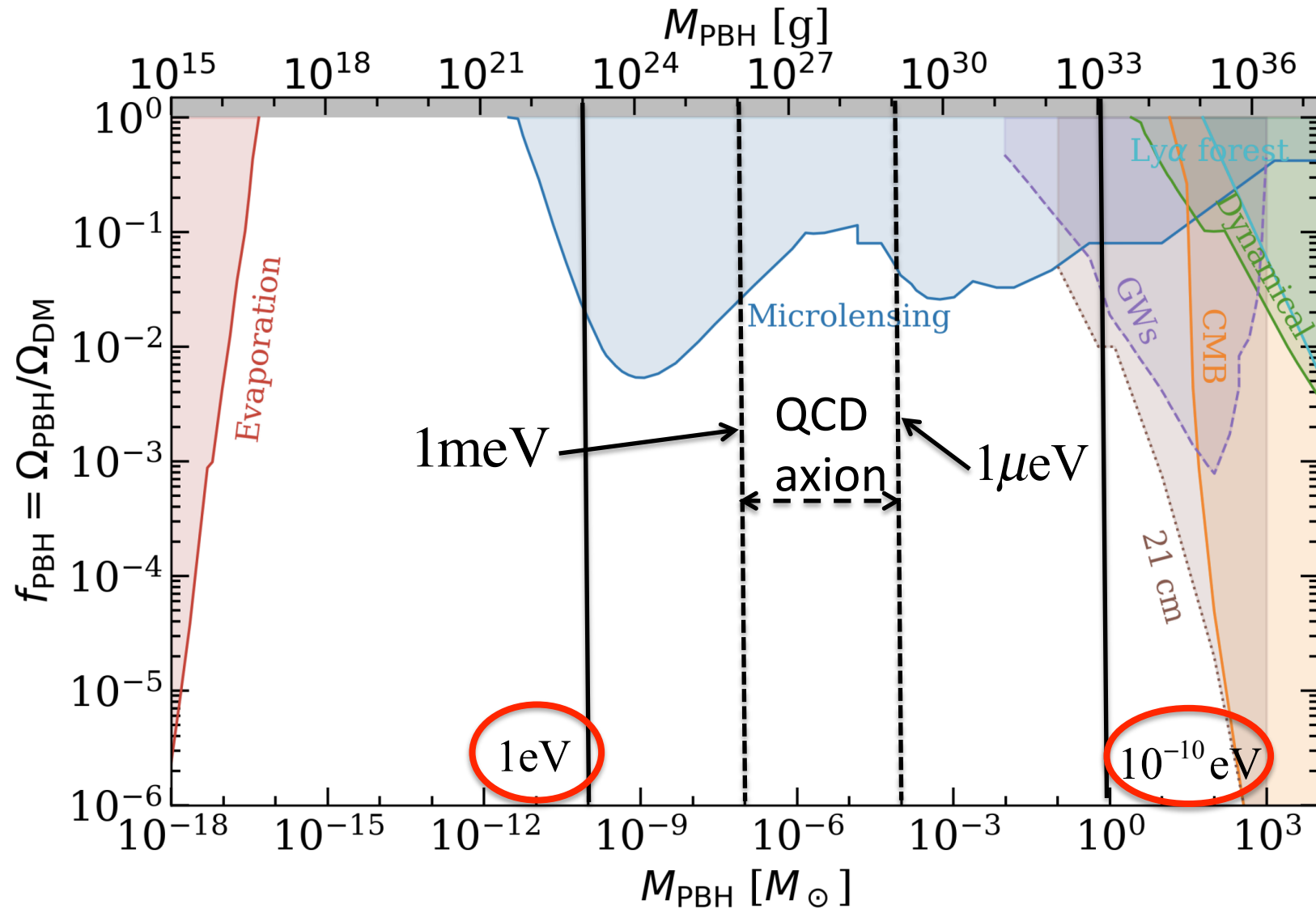


Thus, we can now focuss on the mass range $10^{-10} \text{ eV} \leq m \leq 1 \text{ eV}$

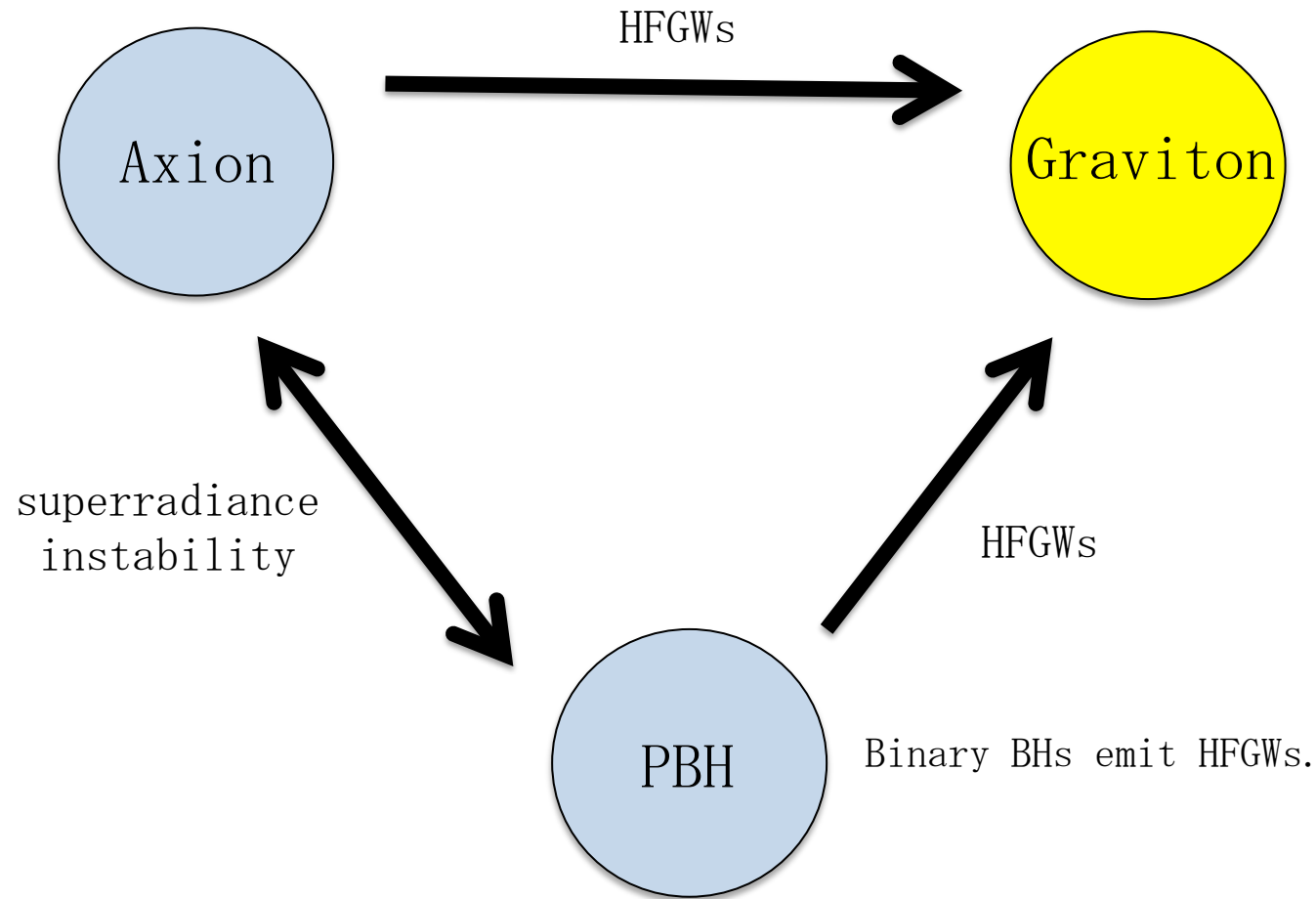
If we find a BH with a mass smaller than the solar mass,
we can further constrain the axions.

In fact, such primordial BHs have been discussed as the dark matter.

Constraints on PBHs



Exploring axion and PBH with graviton



Gravitons (HFGWs) can probe
the two dark matter candidates, axion and PBH.

Axion, graviton, and PBH

Axion



Graviton



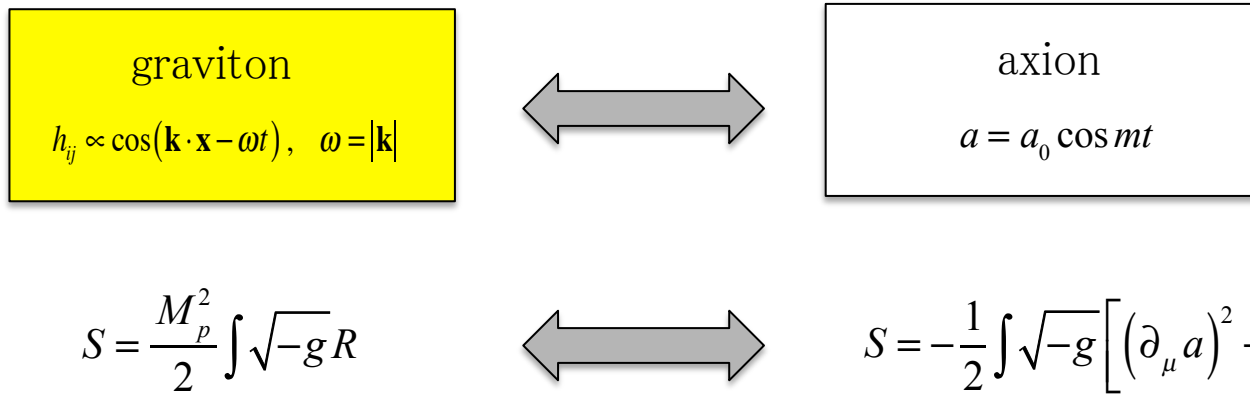
PBH



Duality of axion and graviton

Duality of axion and graviton experiments

Both axions and graviton are coherently oscillating.



Remarkably, there exists a duality between axion and graviton experiments.

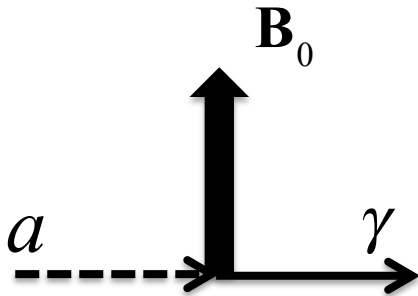
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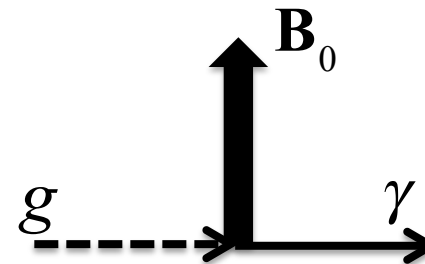
Axion - photon - graviton conversion

$$S = \int \sqrt{-g} \left[-\frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\alpha} g^{\nu\beta} F_{\mu\nu} F_{\alpha\beta} + \frac{1}{4} a \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} F_{\mu\nu} F_{\lambda\rho} \right]$$

$$L \supset a \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}_0 \quad \text{Sikivie 1983}$$



$$L \supset h_{ij} E^i B_0^j \quad \text{Gertsenshtein 1962}$$



The photon could be other excitations such as phonons, magnons,

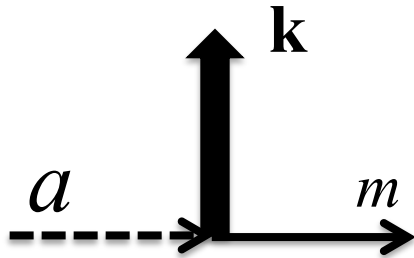
A useful application of duality is
to use existing data from axion experiments
for giving constraints on gravitons.

An application of duality

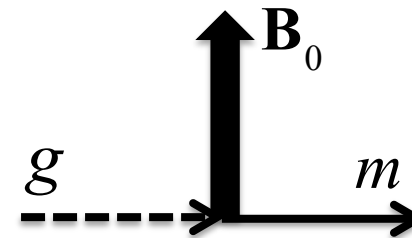
Here, we take magnons and show how to use duality to probe gravitons.

Axion - **magnon** - graviton conversion

$$L \supset S \cdot \nabla a \quad \text{Barbieri et al. 1989}$$



$$L \supset h_{ij} S^i B_0^j \quad \text{Ito et al. 2020}$$



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“Probing GHz gravitational waves with graviton-magnon resonance,”
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Axion search with magnons

T. Ikeda, A. Ito, K. Miuchi, J. Soda, H. Kurashige and Y. Shikano,
``Axion search with quantum nondemolition detection of magnons,’’
[arXiv:2102.08764 [hep-ex]].

Spin waves

Dirac equation

$$i\gamma^\mu (\partial_\mu - ieA_\mu) \psi = m\psi$$

Non-relativistic approximation

Bohr magneton

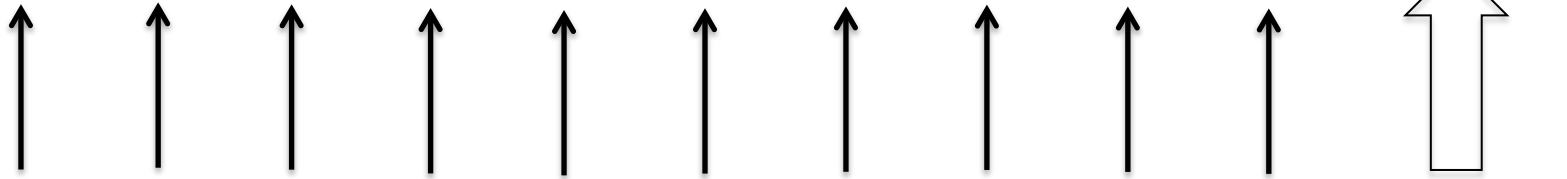
$$H \approx \frac{(\mathbf{p} - e\mathbf{A})^2}{2m_e} - 2\mu_B \hat{\mathbf{S}} \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

Pauli term

$$\mu_B = \frac{e}{2m_e}$$

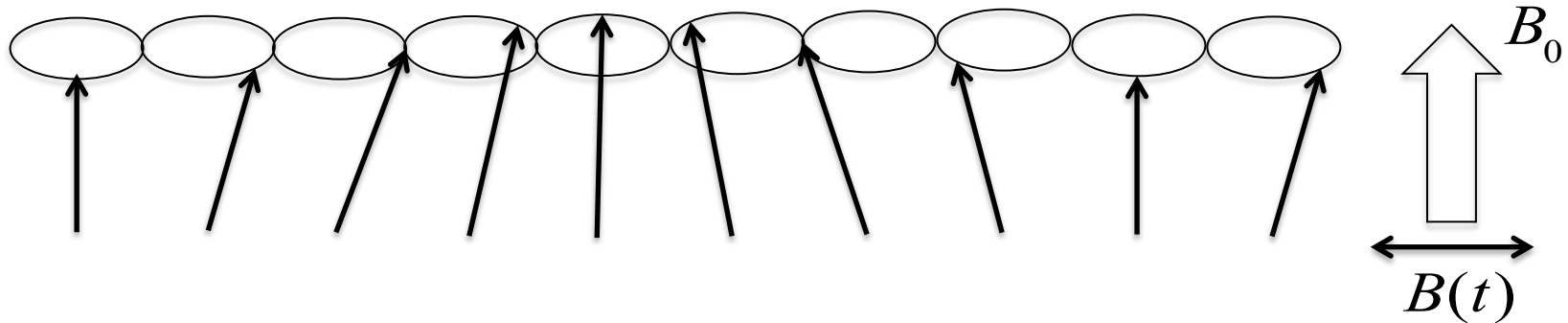
$$\mathbf{S} = \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\sigma}$$

$$H = -2\mu_B \sum_i \hat{\mathbf{S}}_i \cdot \vec{B}_0 - \sum_{i,j} J_{ij} \hat{\mathbf{S}}_i \cdot \hat{\mathbf{S}}_j$$



Usually, microwaves are used for generating spin waves with an external magnetic field applied.

$$H = -2\mu_B \sum_i \hat{\mathbf{S}}_i \cdot (\vec{B}_0 + B(t)) - \sum_{i,j} J_{ij} \hat{\mathbf{S}}_i \cdot \hat{\mathbf{S}}_j$$



Magnons are quantum excitations of spin waves.

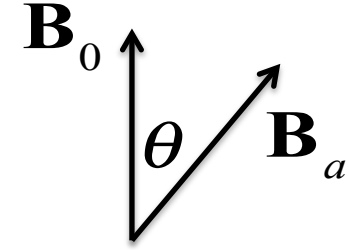
Axion - magnon interaction

Interaction term
$$L_{\text{int}} = -ig_{aee} a \bar{\psi} \gamma_5 \psi = \frac{g_{aee}}{2m} \partial_\mu a \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \psi$$

In a nonrelativistic approximation,

$$H \simeq \frac{(\mathbf{p} - e\mathbf{A})^2}{2m_e} - 2\mu_B \hat{S} \cdot \mathbf{B}_0 - 2\mu_B \hat{S} \cdot \mathbf{B}_a(t) \quad B_a(t) = \frac{g_{aee}}{e} \nabla a(t)$$

The coherently oscillating axion can play a role of microwaves.



$$\vec{B}_a(t) = \left(\frac{1}{2} B_a \sin \theta (e^{-i\omega_a t} + e^{i\omega_a t}), 0, 0 \right) \quad f_a = \frac{\omega_a}{2\pi} = \frac{m_a c^2}{h} = 0.24 \left(\frac{m_a}{1.0 \mu\text{eV}} \right) \text{GHz}$$

We consider only Kittel mode ($k=0$)

$$H_{m-q} = \hbar \omega c^\dagger c + g_{\text{eff}} (c^\dagger e^{-i\omega_a t} + c e^{i\omega_a t})$$

Case of YIG $N \approx 10^{22}$

$$\hbar \omega = 2\mu_B B_0$$

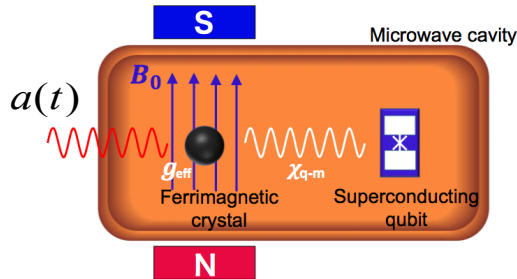
$$g_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2} \mu_B B_a \sin \theta \sqrt{N}$$



Magnon limits on axions

Read out by Q-bit

Axion is coherently oscillating



$$a(t) \approx \frac{\sqrt{2\rho_{DM}}}{m_a} \cos m_a t$$

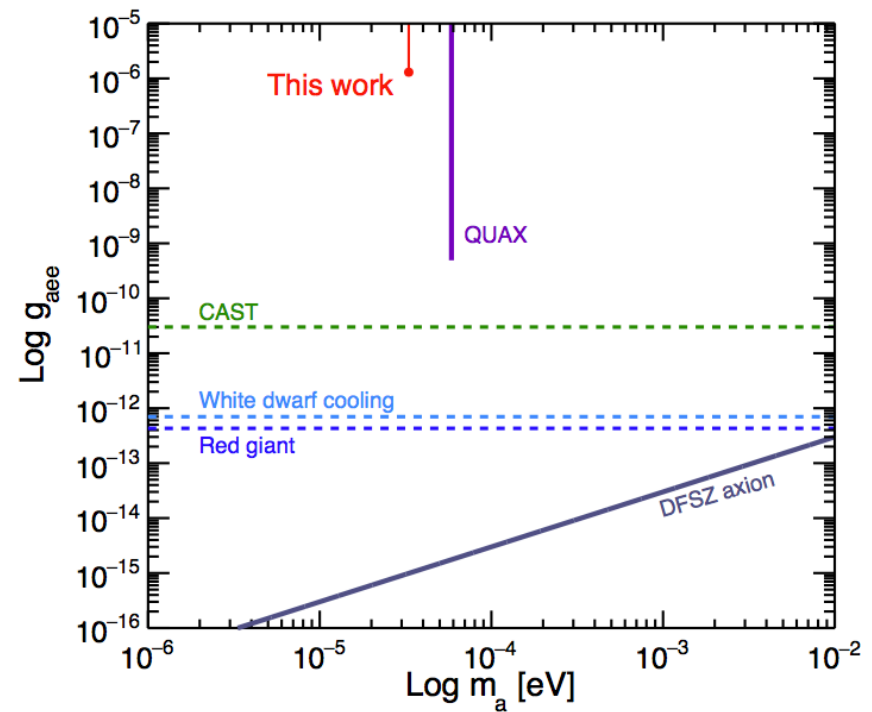
$$B_a = \frac{g_{aee}}{e} \nabla a$$

$$\simeq 4.4 \times 10^{-8} g_{aee} \left(\frac{\rho_{DM}}{0.45 \text{ GeV/cm}^3} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{v}{300 \text{ km/s}} \right) [\text{T}]$$

magnon limits on the axion electron coupling constant

$$B_a < 4.1 \times 10^{-14} [\text{T}]$$

$$\longrightarrow g_{aee} < 1.3 \times 10^{-6}$$



Ikeda et al. 2018

Graviton search with magnons

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A. Ito and J. Soda,
``A formalism for magnon gravitational wave detectors,’’
Eur. Phys. J. C80, no.6, 545 (2020) [arXiv:2004.04646 [gr-qc]].

Graviton – magnon interaction

GWs (TTgauge)

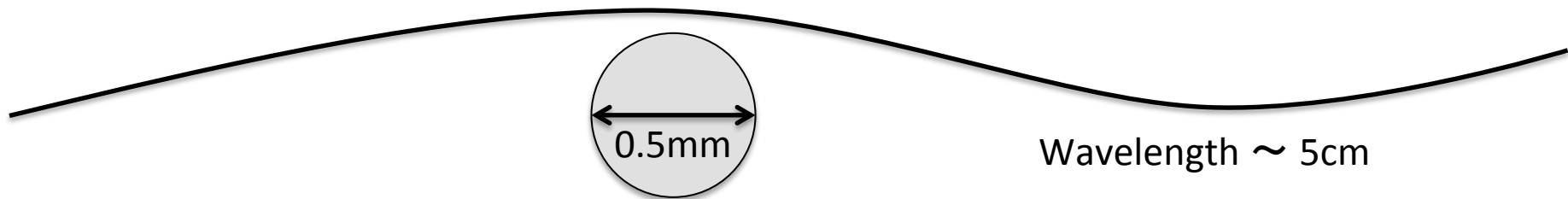
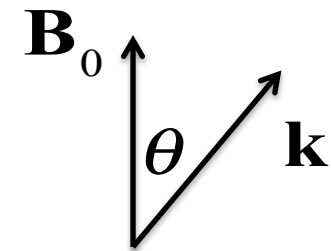
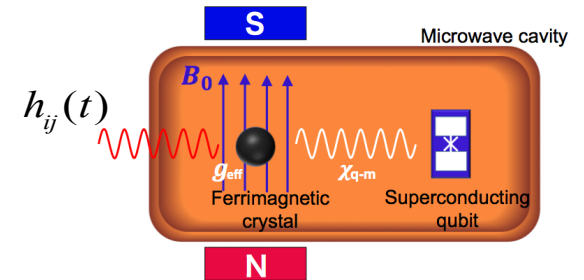
$$h_{ij}(t) = h^+(t)e_{ij}^+ + h^\times(t)e_{ij}^\times$$

$$h^{+, \times}(t) = \frac{h^{+, \times}}{2} \left(e^{-i\omega_h t} + e^{i\omega_h t} \right)$$

$$H = -2\mu_B \sum_i \hat{S}_i \cdot \vec{B}_0 - \mu_B \sum_i S_i^a \mathbf{h}_{az}(t) \mathbf{B}_0 - \sum_{i,j} J_{ij} \hat{S}_i \cdot \hat{S}_j$$

$$H_{m-q} = \hbar\omega c^\dagger c + g_{eff} \left(c^\dagger e^{-i\omega_h t} + c e^{i\omega_h t} \right)$$

$$g_{eff} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}} \mu_B B_0 \sin\theta \sqrt{N} \left[\cos^2\theta \left(h^{(+)} \right)^2 + \left(h^{(\times)} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$



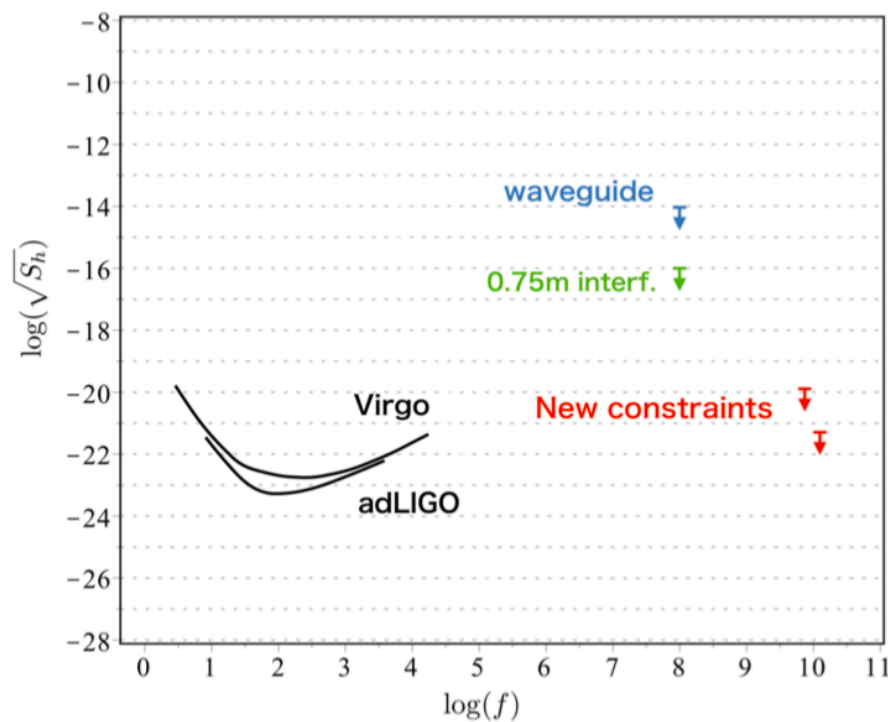
Search for GHz graviton

Ito et al. 2019
Ito & Soda 2020

Limits on axions

$$g_{eff} < \begin{cases} 3.5 \times 10^{-12} \text{ eV} & \text{QUAX, Crescini et al. 2018} \\ 3.1 \times 10^{-11} \text{ eV} & \text{Flower et al. 2018} \end{cases}$$

$$g_{eff} = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}} \mu_B B_z \sin \theta \sqrt{N} \left[\cos^2 \theta \left(h^{(+)} \right)^2 + \left(h^{(\times)} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$



$$\sqrt{S_h} \approx h < \begin{cases} 7.6 \times 10^{-22} \text{ Hz}^{-1/2} & \text{at 14 GHz} \\ 1.2 \times 10^{-20} \text{ Hz}^{-1/2} & \text{at 8.2 GHz} \end{cases}$$

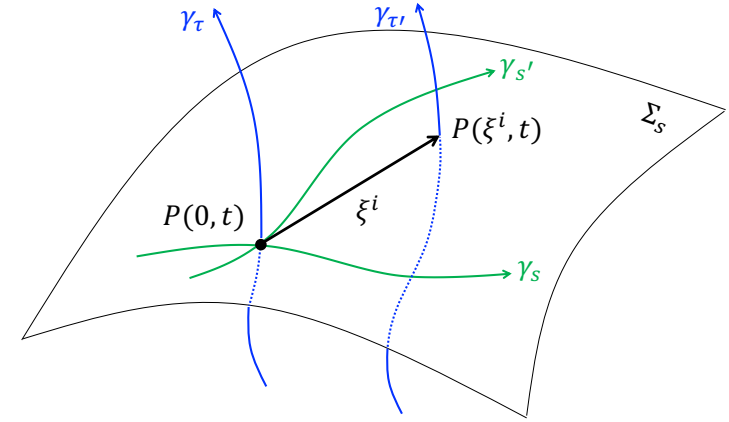
Proper detector frames

Dirac eq. in curved spacetime

$$i\gamma^{\hat{\alpha}}e_{\hat{\alpha}}^{\mu}(\partial_{\mu}-\Gamma_{\mu}-ieA_{\mu})\psi=m\psi$$

Proper detector frame

$$\begin{cases} g_{00} = -1 - 2a_i - R_{0i0j}x^i x^j \\ g_{0i} = -\omega_k \varepsilon_{0ijk}x^j - \frac{2}{3}R_{0jik}x^j x^k \\ g_{ij} = \delta_{ij} - \frac{1}{3}R_{ikjl}x^k x^l \end{cases}$$



In a nonrelativistic approximation,

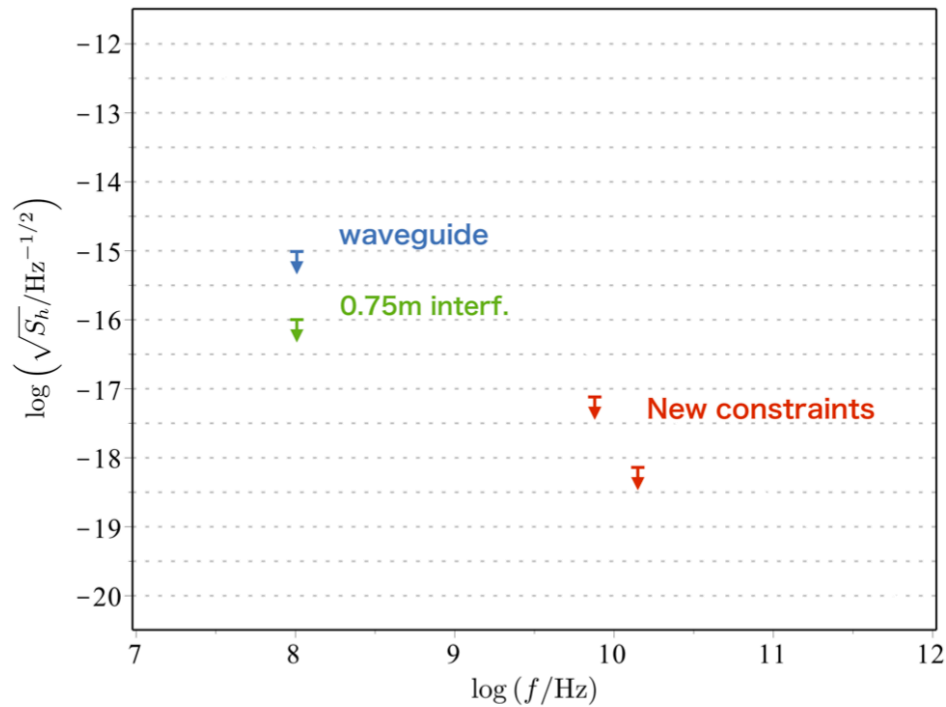
$$H = m \left(1 + a_i x^i + \frac{1}{2} R_{0k0l} x^k x^l \right) - e A_0 - \omega_i S^i + \frac{i}{6} R_{0iki} x^k$$

$$-\frac{e}{m} S^i B^j \left[\left(1 + a_k x^k + \frac{1}{2} R_{0k0l} x^k x^l + \frac{1}{6} R_{mkml} x^k x^l \right) \delta_{ij} + \frac{1}{3} R_{jkil} x^k x^l \right]$$

+ ...

$$R_{0k0l} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} h_{kl}$$

Magnon limits on GHz graviton



$$\left(\frac{\ell}{\lambda}\right)^2 \text{ suppression factor}$$

By constructing a detector with $\ell \approx \lambda$
we can improve the sensitivity significantly.

Summary

- We need HFGW detectors for exploring the dark matter physics.
- Axion and graviton experiments have a kind of duality.
- It is known that Magnon is useful for axion search.
- From the duality, magnon should be useful for graviton search.
- Utilizing the available data of axion search, we have given magnon limits on GHz graviton.
- If we develop a detector specific to graviton,
we can expect more sensitivity and
extend observable frequency ranges.