

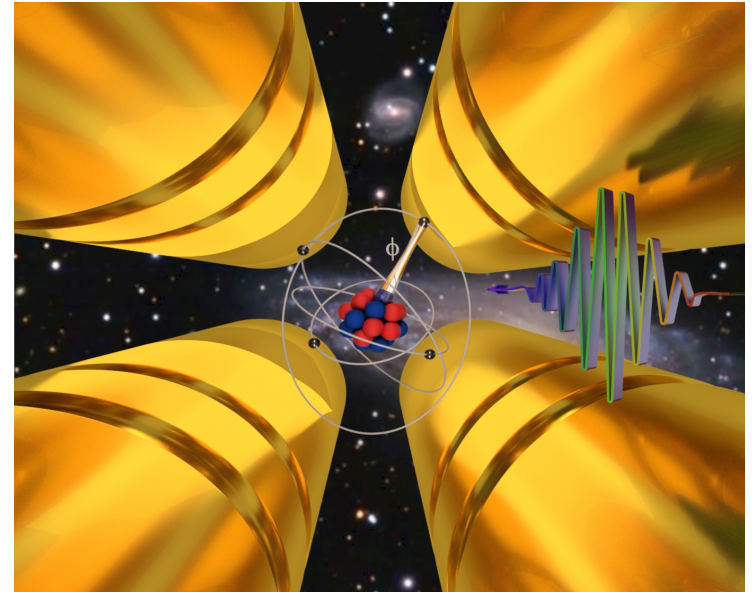
Atomic sensors for light new particles and high-frequency gravitational waves

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Outline

2) Quantum Sensors

3) Atomic clocks for light new bosons

4) High-frequency GWs with optical photons

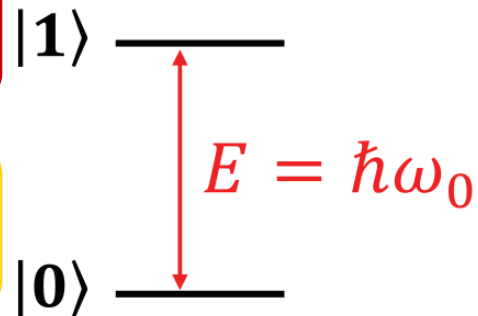
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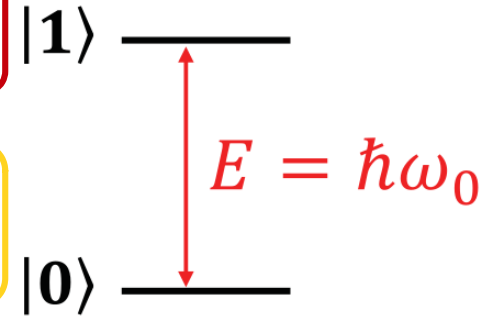
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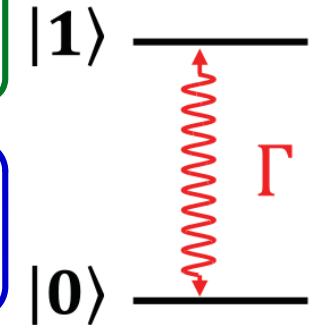
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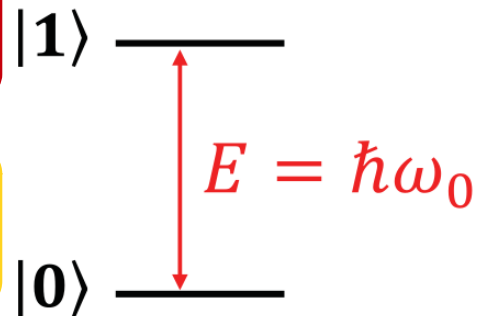


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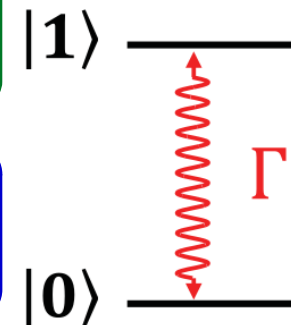
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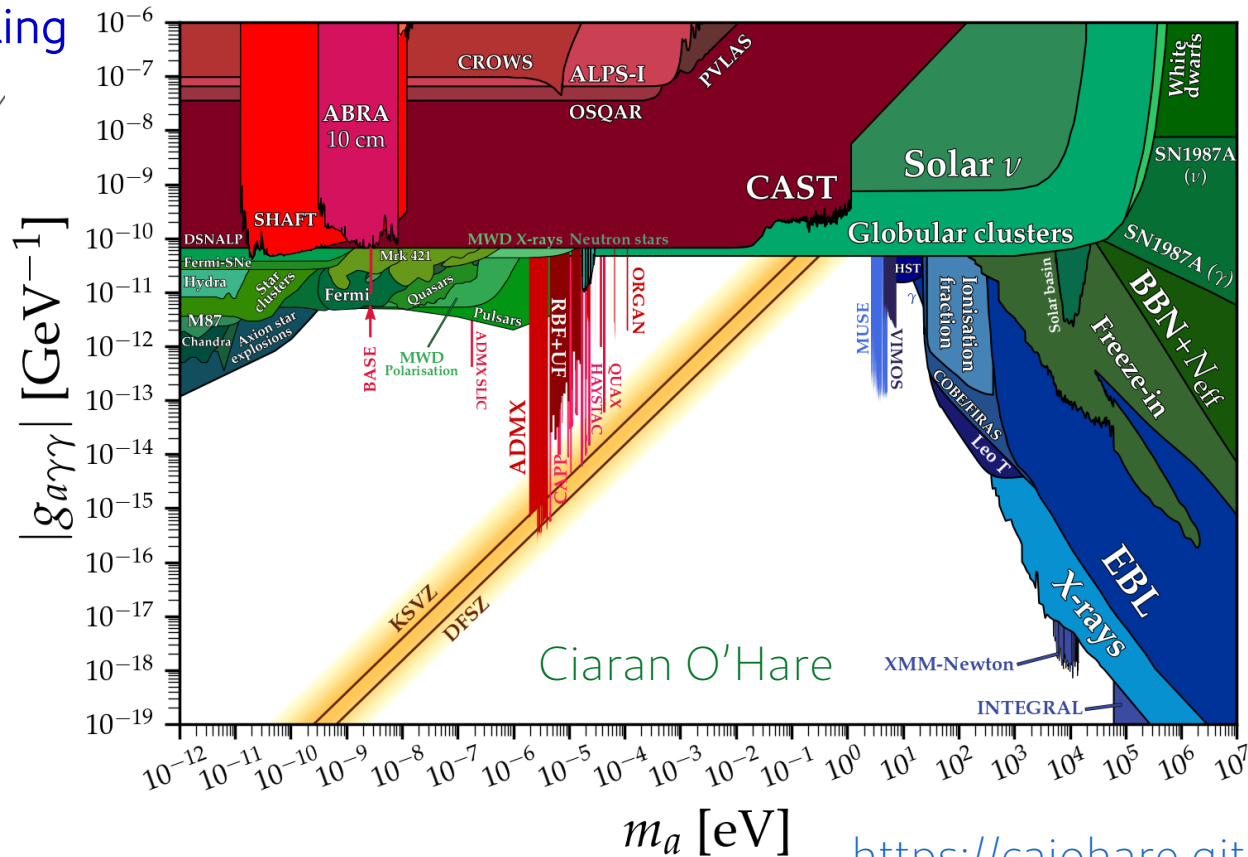
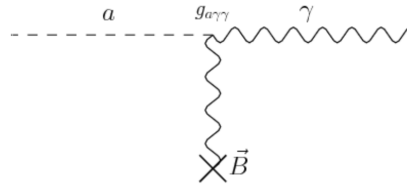


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e.g.: atoms, ions, Rydberg states, superconducting circuits, cavities, clocks, interferometers, ...
& entanglement/squeezing → **well suited for light DM/NP, GWs, also for HEP detectors**

Squeezing: e.g. in axion searches

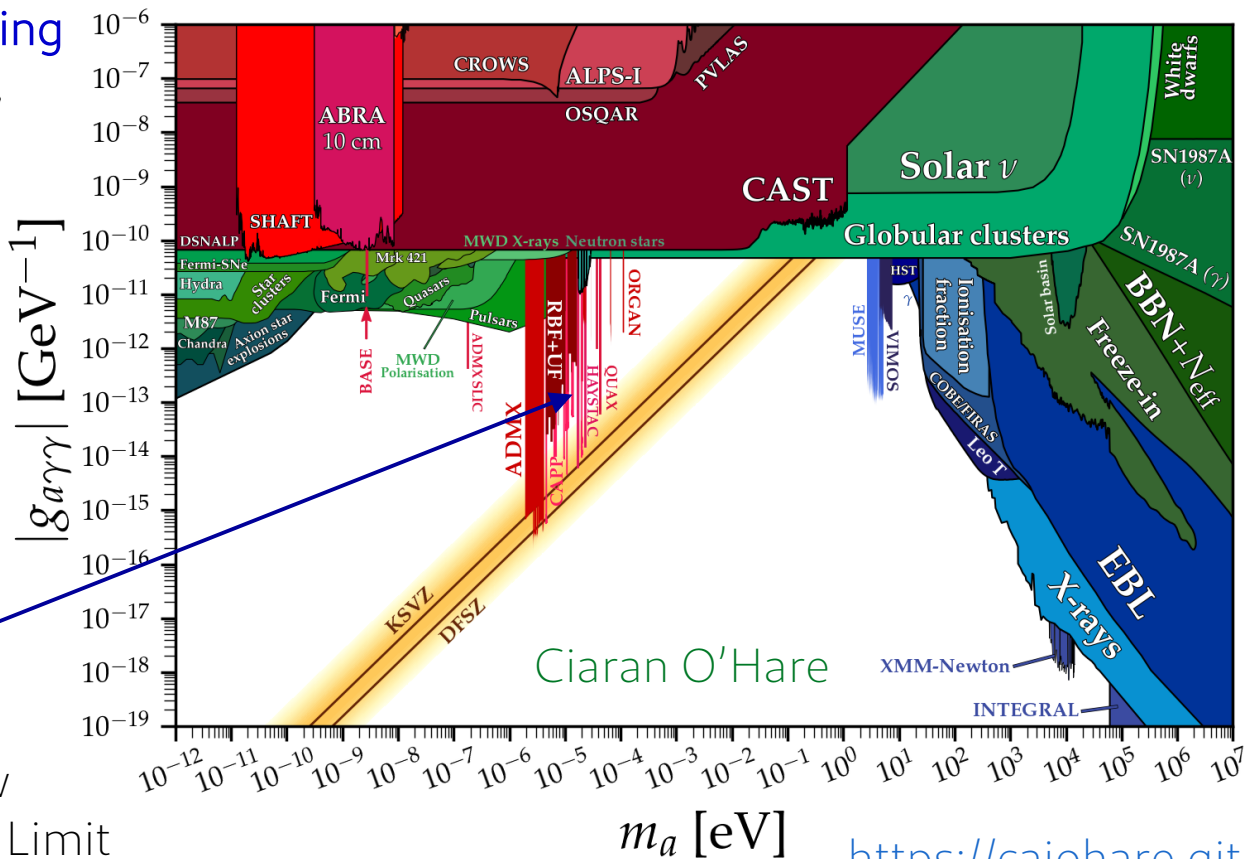
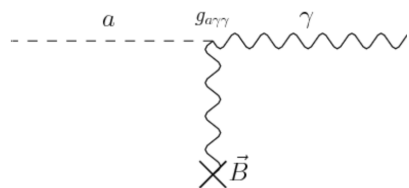
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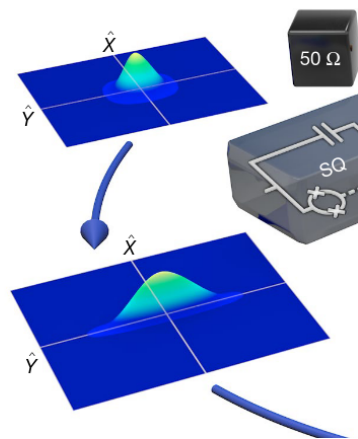
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Squeezing
HAYSTAC
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Haystac goes below
Standard Quantum Limit

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The virtue of frequency measurements

"Never measure anything but frequency!"



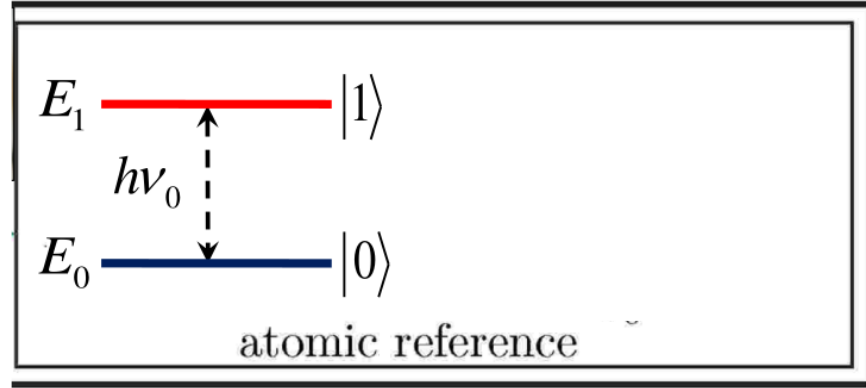
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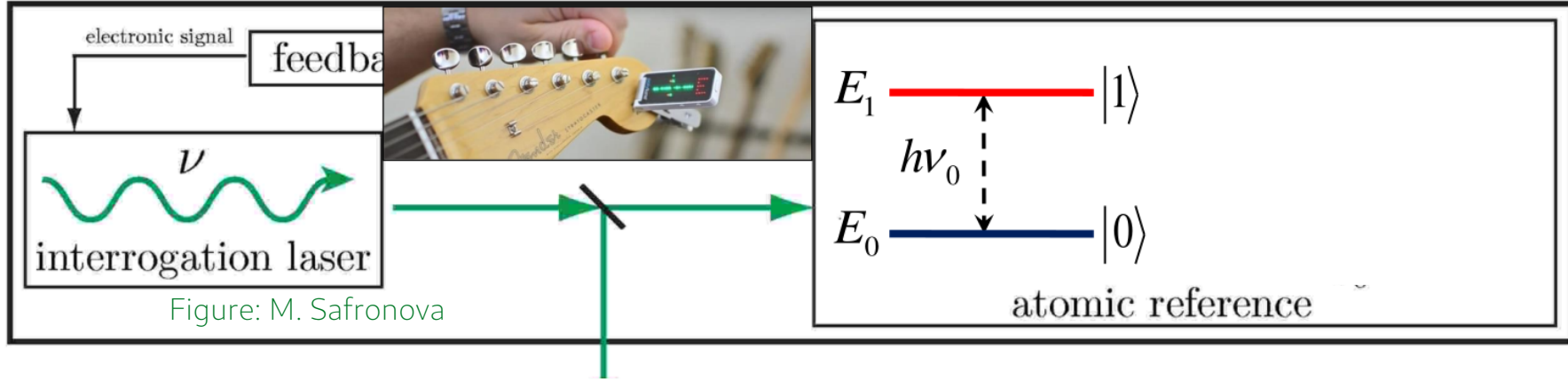
Nobel Prize in physics 1981
for the co-development of
the laser

Goal: Turn precise frequency measurements
into a tool for particle physics

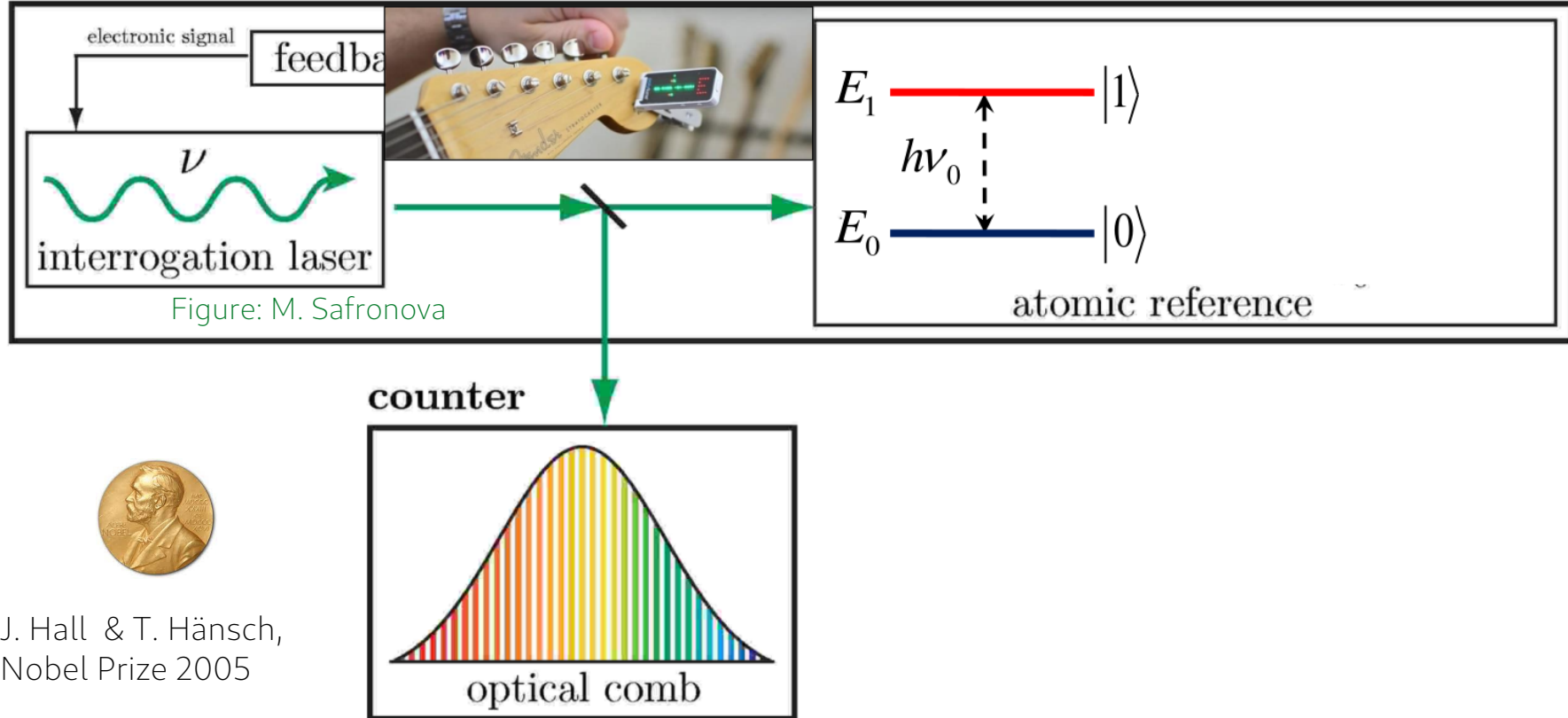
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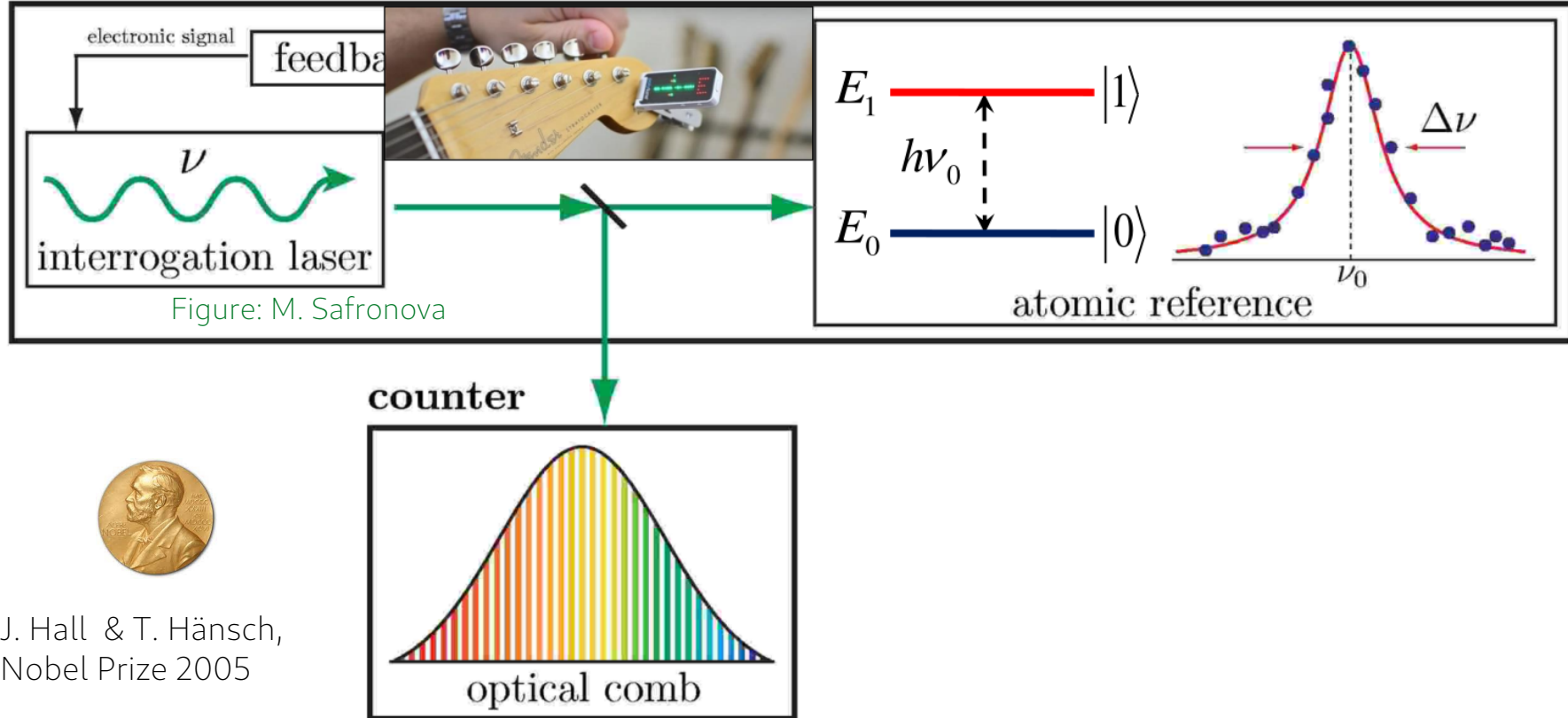


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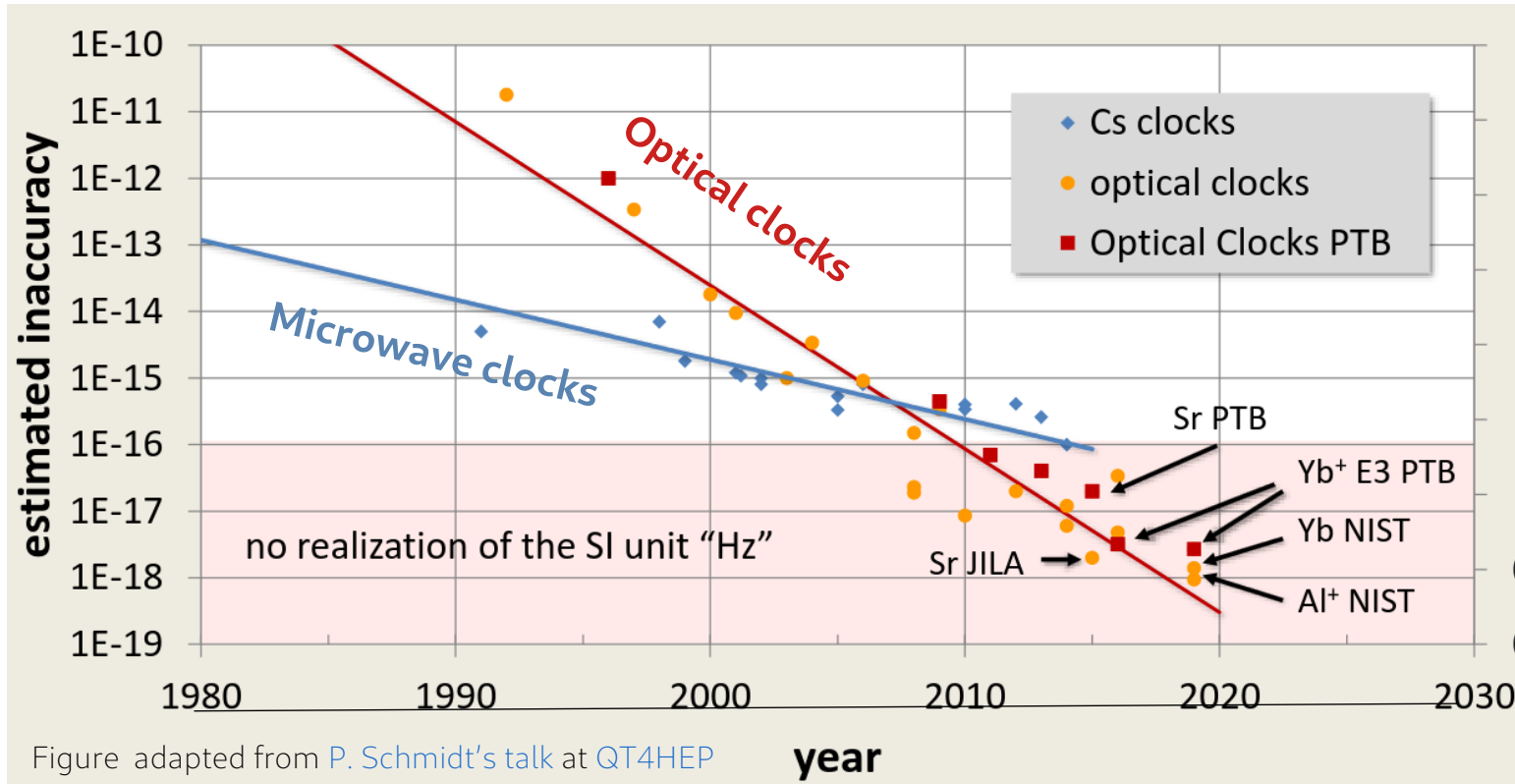
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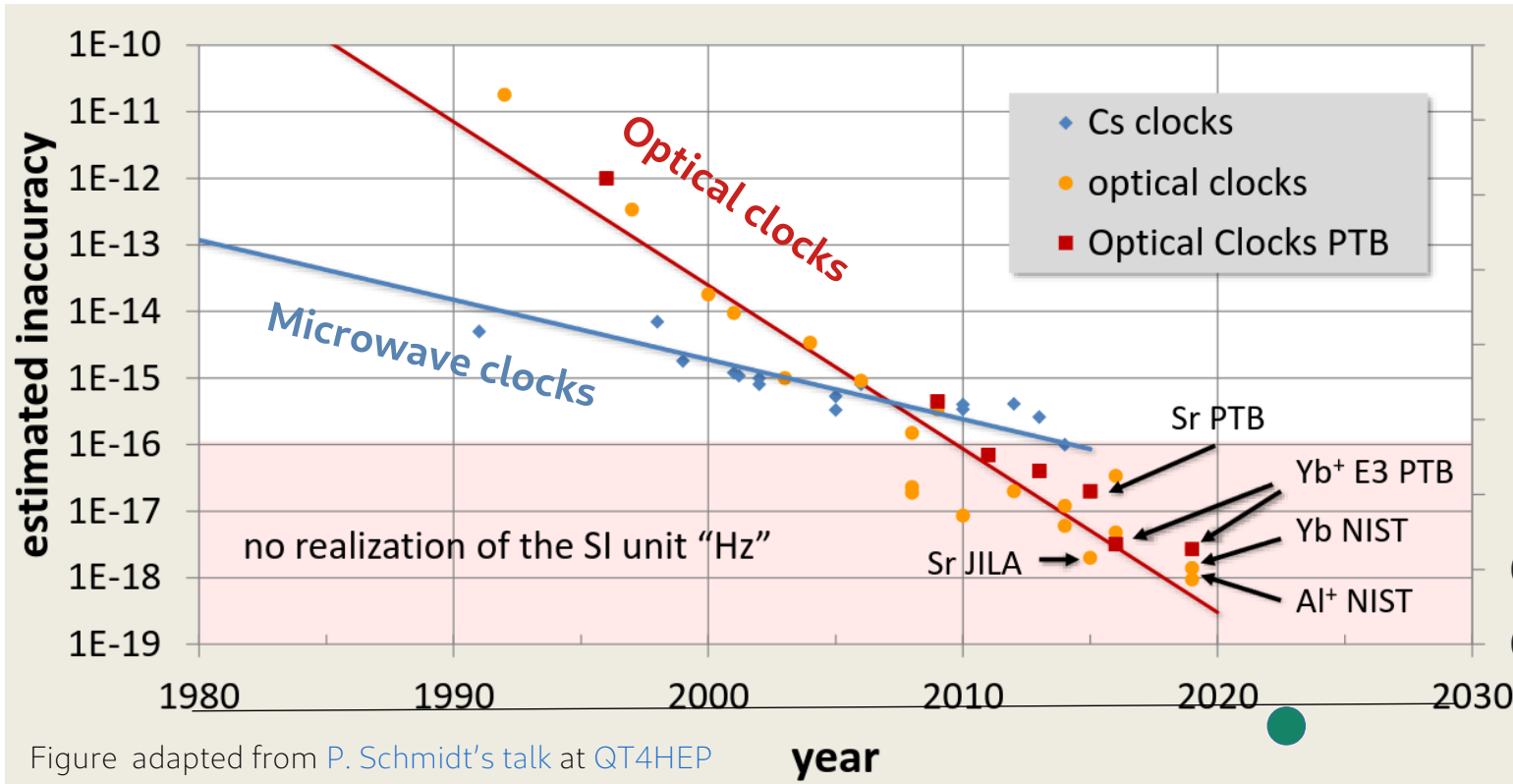
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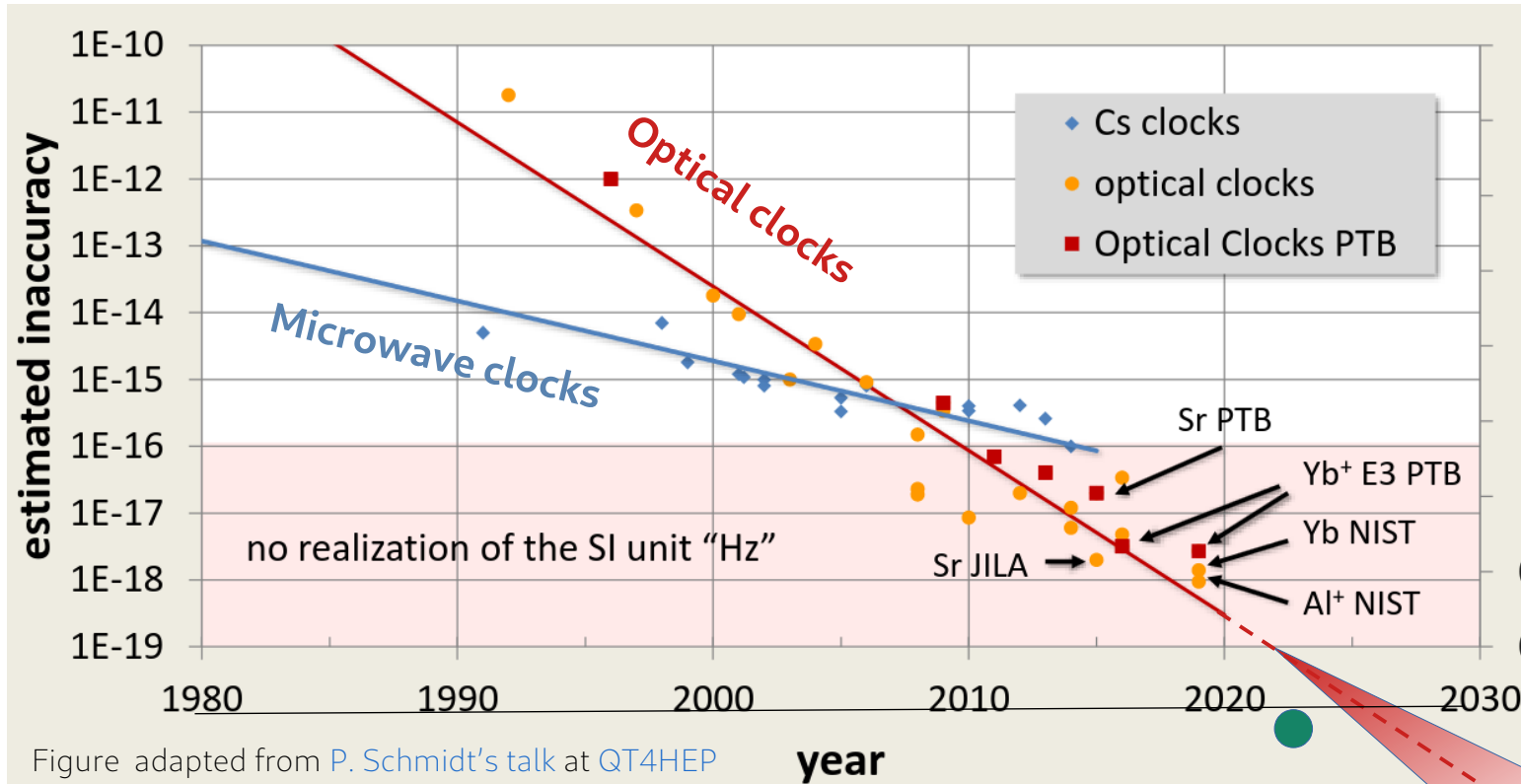


Figure adapted from P. Schmidt's talk at QT4HEP



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What does 10^{-18} mean?

See talk by P. Schmidt at QT4HEP 2022

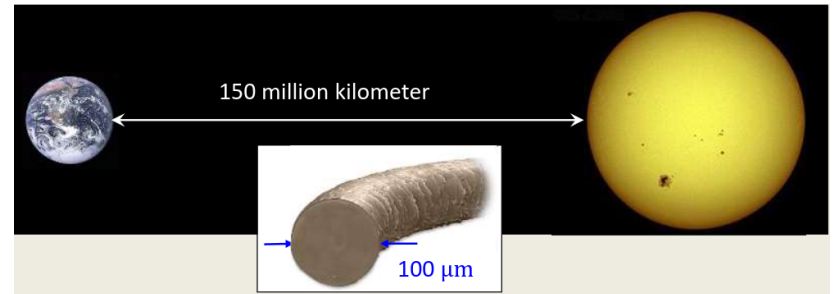
$$\frac{f_{\text{Al}^+}}{f_{\text{Yb}}} = 2.162887127516663703(13)$$

Frequency ratio of 2 precisely measured transitions

BACON collaboration, Nature 591, 564 (2021)

1 s deviation in
30 billion years

Distance earth – sun at the precision
of 1/1000 of diameter of a hair

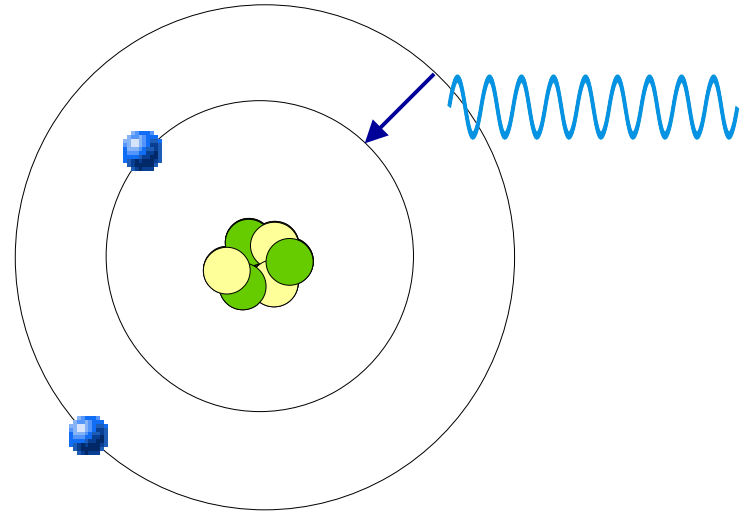


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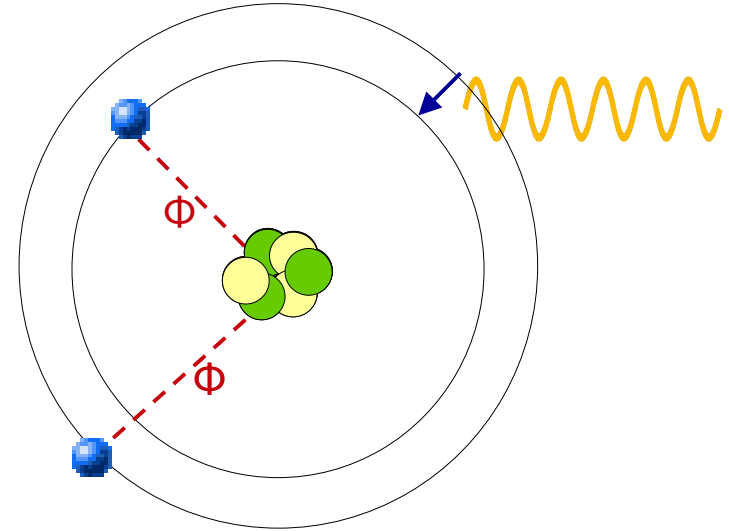
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Can this change the rate of clocks?



Variation of fundamental constants

Scalar ultralight DM ϕ

Antypas et al, Snowmass 2203.14915

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}^{\text{lin}} = \kappa \phi \left\{ \left[\frac{d_e F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}}{4} - d_{m_e} m_e \bar{\psi}_e \psi_e \right] - \left[\frac{d_g \beta_3 G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu}}{2g_3} + \sum_{q=u,d,s} (d_{m_q} + \gamma_m d_g) m_q \bar{\psi}_q \psi_q \right] \right\}$$

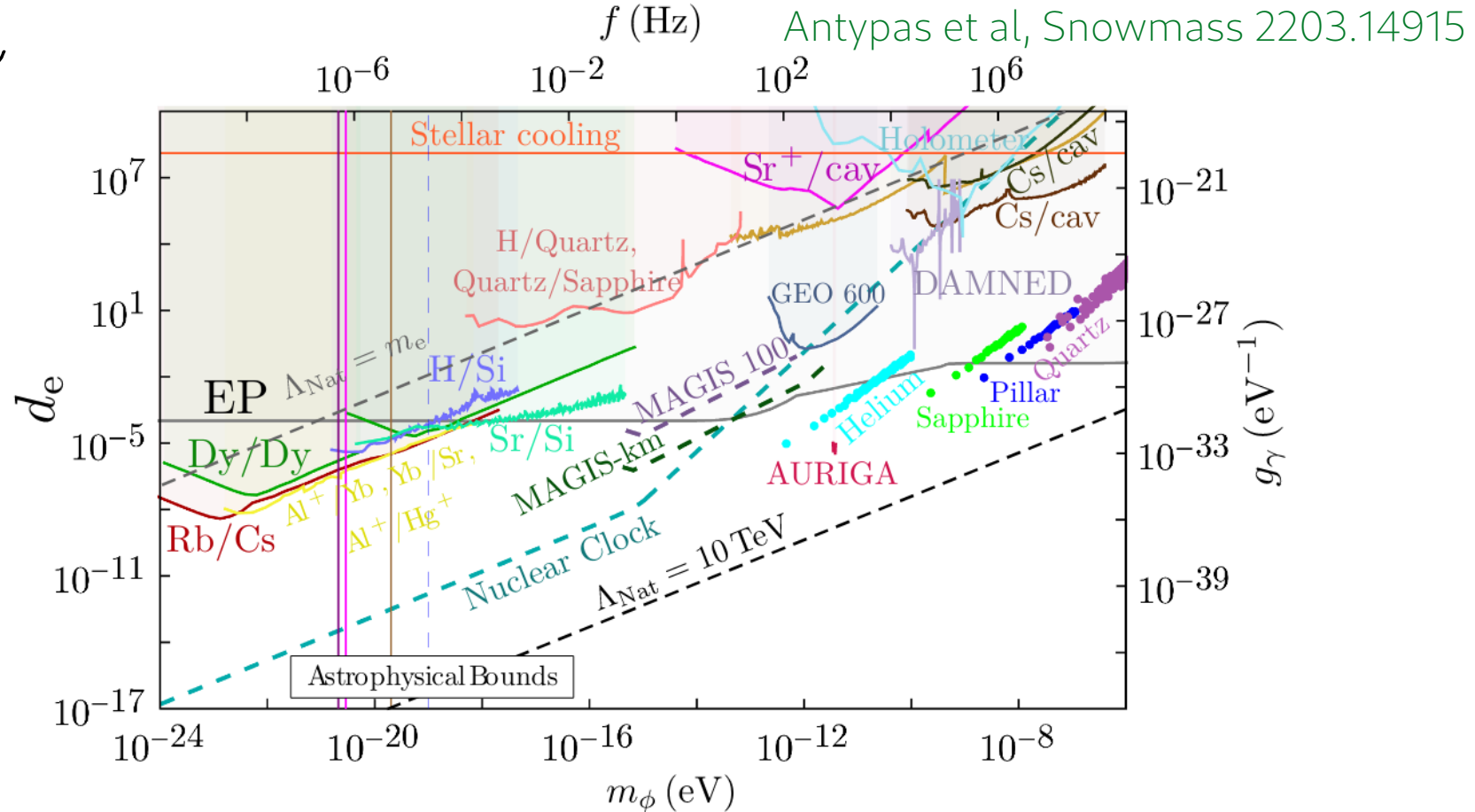
→ induces **oscillations** of couplings and fermion masses:

$$\phi(t) \approx \phi_0 \cos(m_\phi t)$$

$$\alpha \rightarrow \frac{\alpha}{1 - g_\gamma \phi} \approx \alpha(1 + g_\gamma \phi), \quad m_\psi \rightarrow m_\psi + g_\psi \phi$$

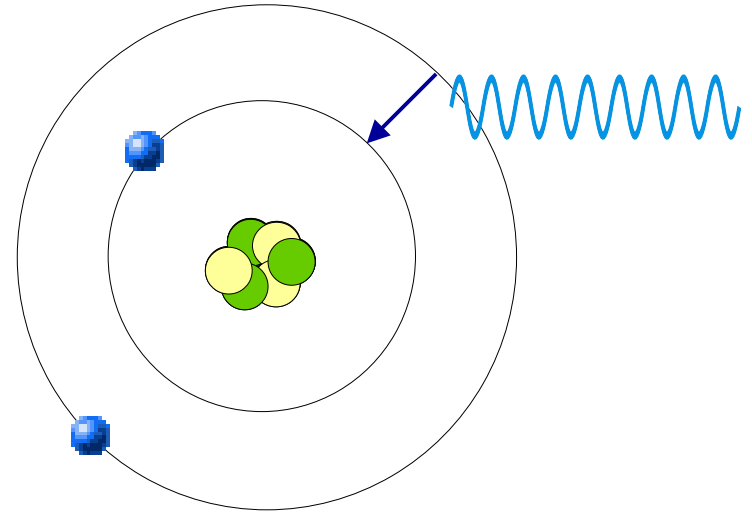
Ultralight scalar DM-photon coupling

$$\kappa \frac{d_e}{4} \phi F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$



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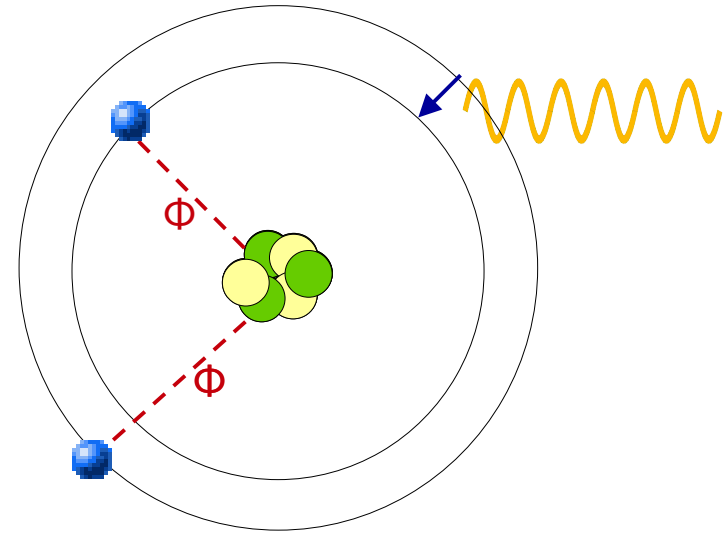
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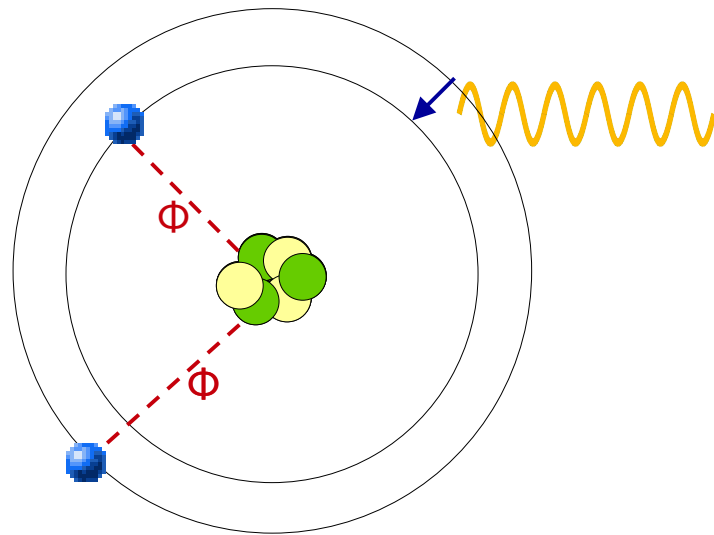
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Challenge of theory-exp comparison

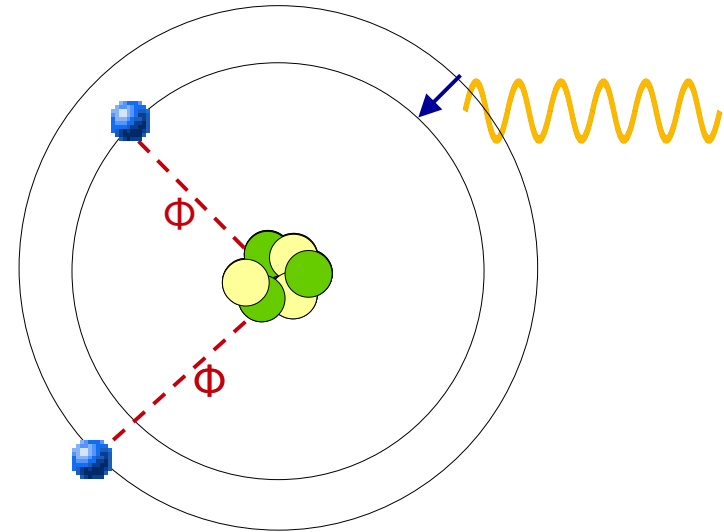
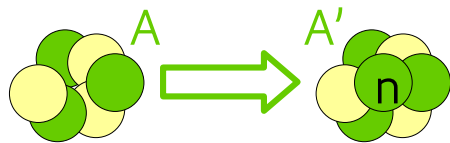
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Data-driven atomic search for light scalar

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- **Our method:** Measure 2 transitions, 3 isotope pairs very precisely



- Berengut, Budker, Delaunay, Flambaum, Frugieue, EF, Grojean, Harnik, Ozeri, Perez, Soreq; PRL 120 (2018) 091801
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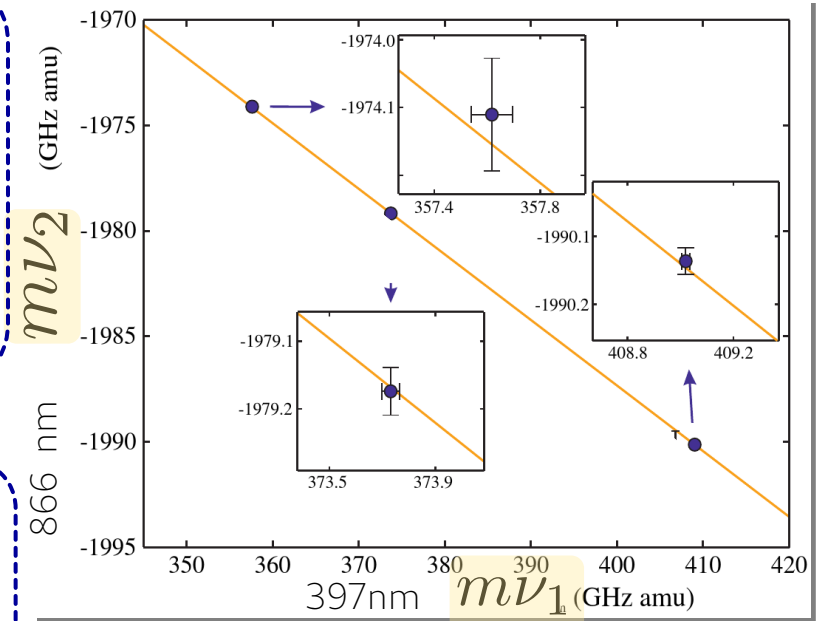
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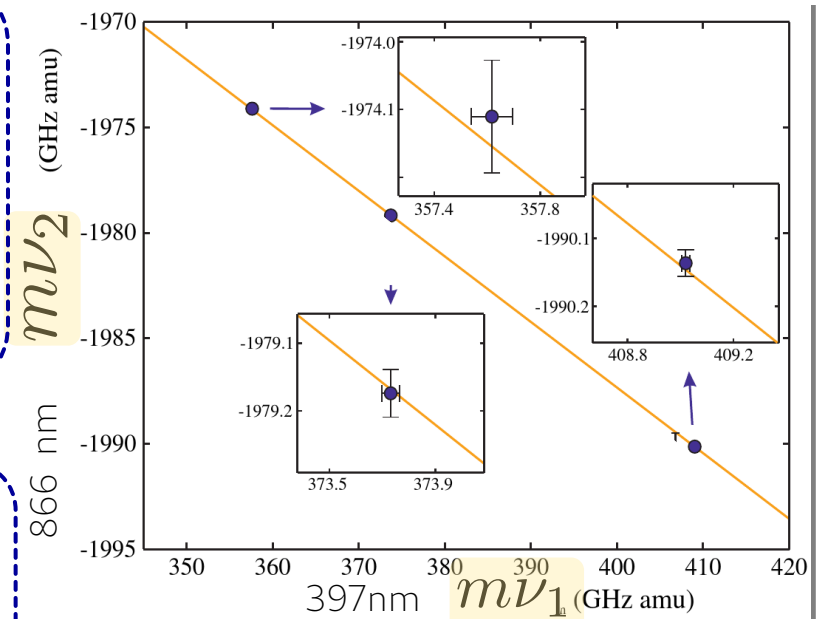
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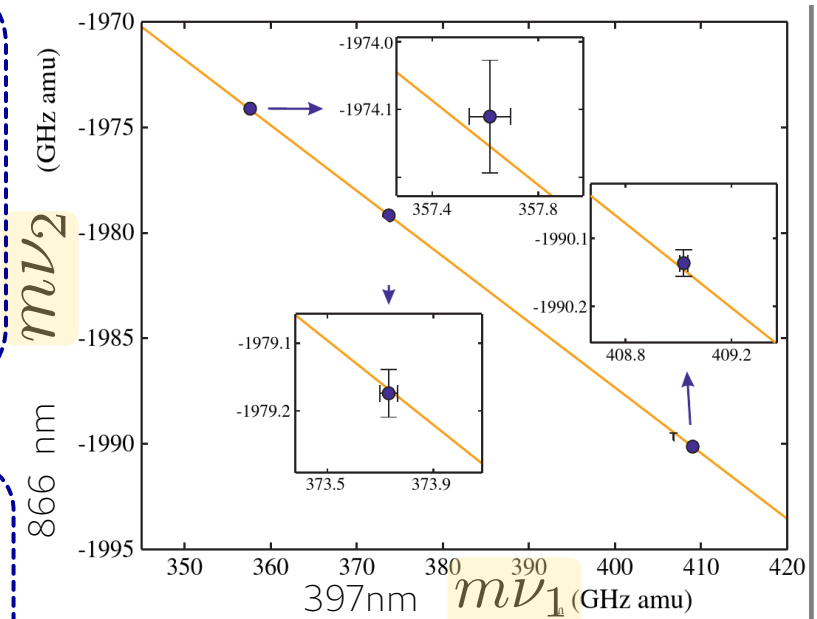
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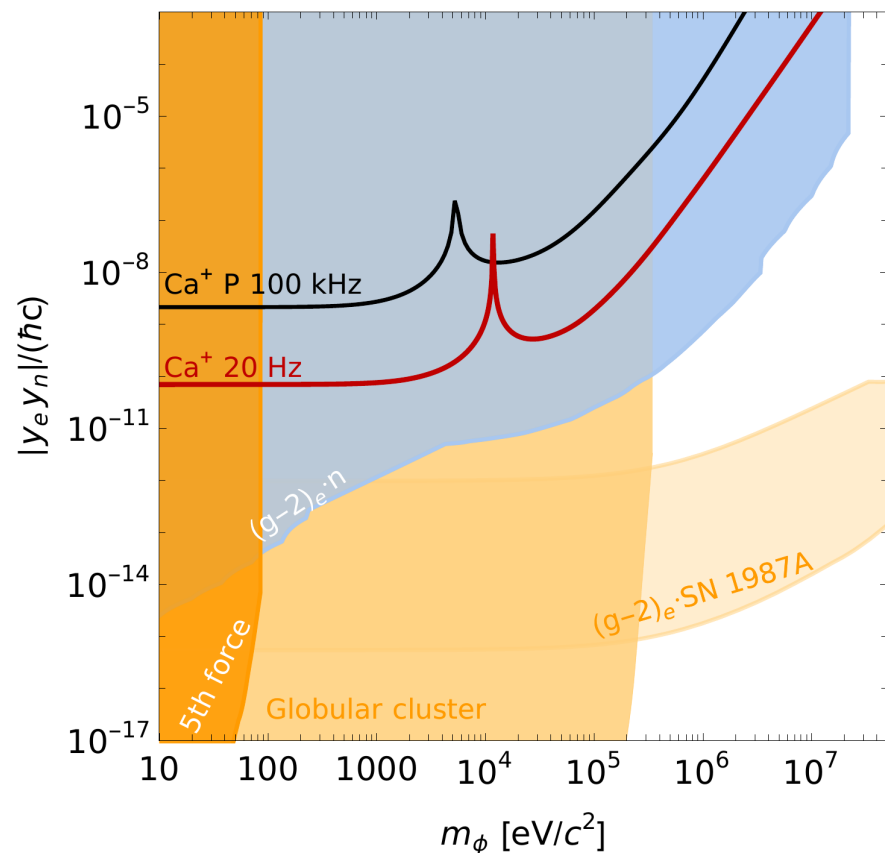
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check if 3 points (= 3 isotope pairs) on straight line

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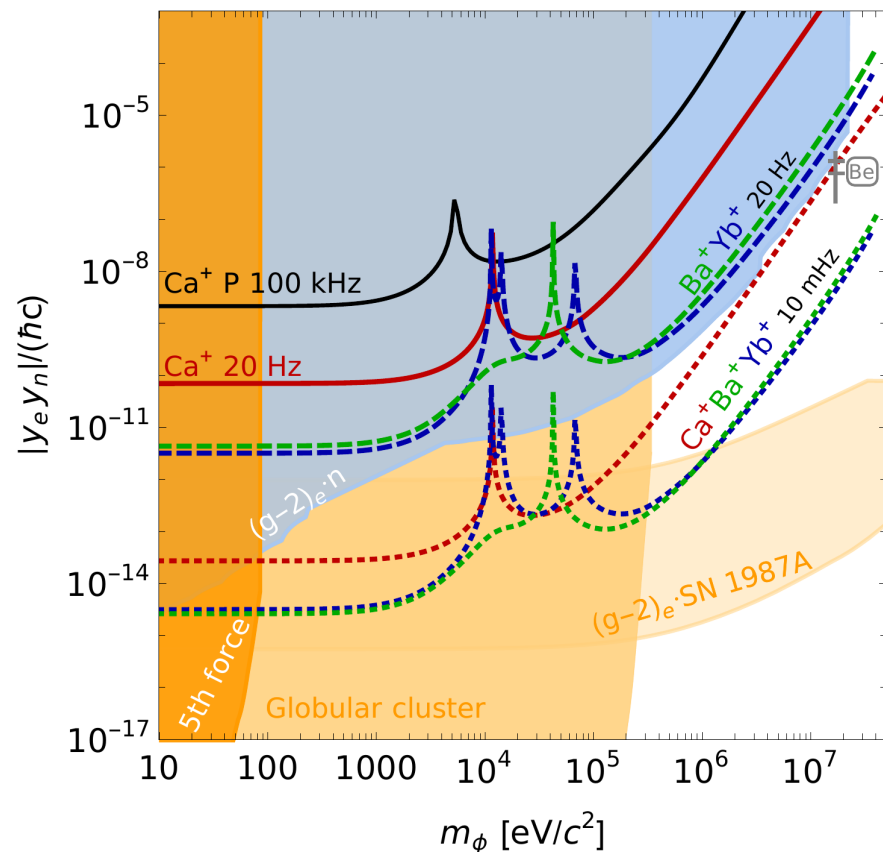


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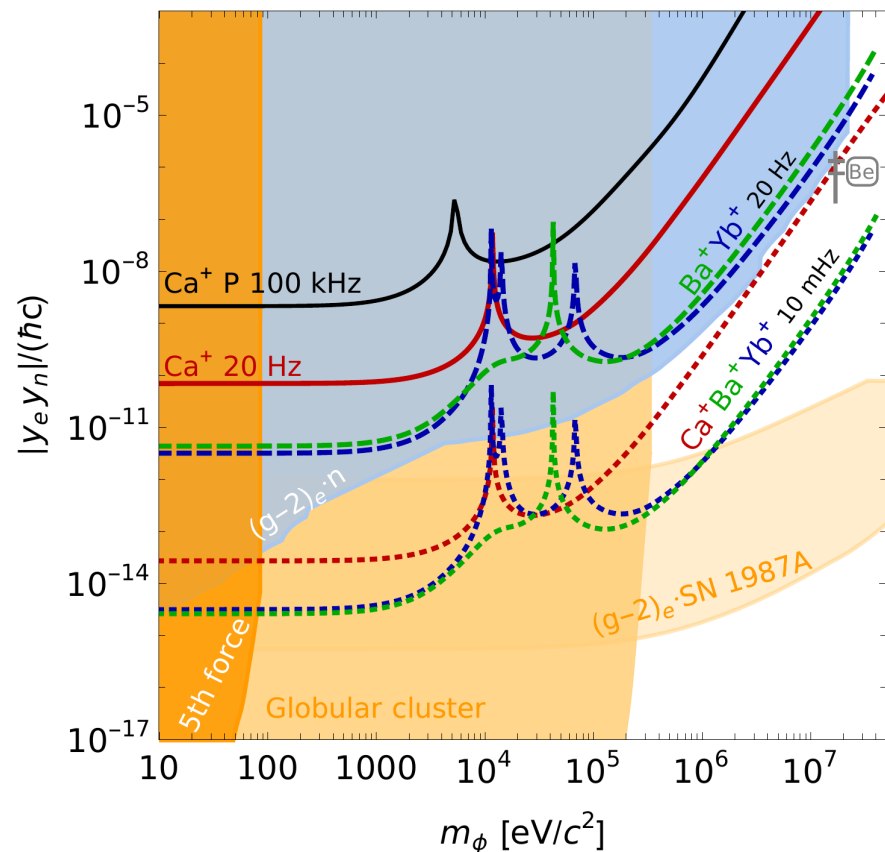


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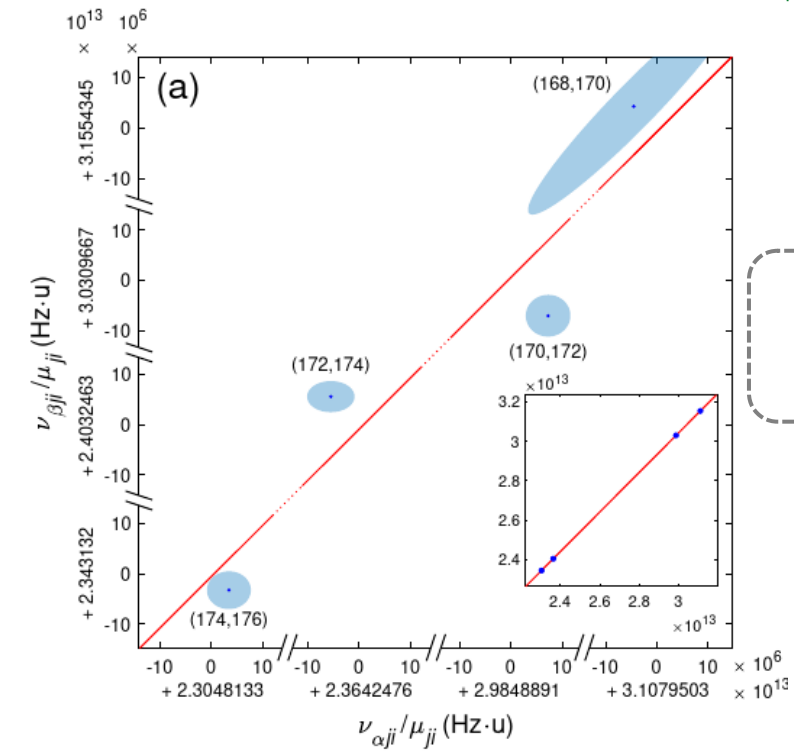
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Particle model applications: B-L, dark photon, chameleon
Frugieue, EF, Perez, Schlaffer '16

few-electron systems:
Delaunay, Frugieue, EF, Soreq '17

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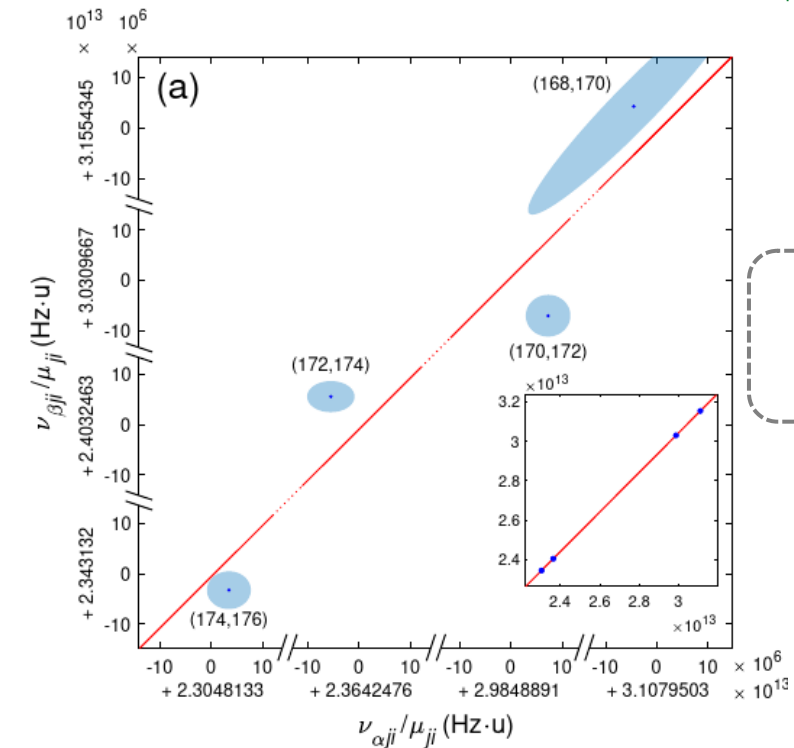
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Researchers observe what could be the first hints of dark bosons

by Ingrid Fadelli, Phys.org



BSM or nuclear physics?

Strategy: consider predicted SM NL and constrain residual NL

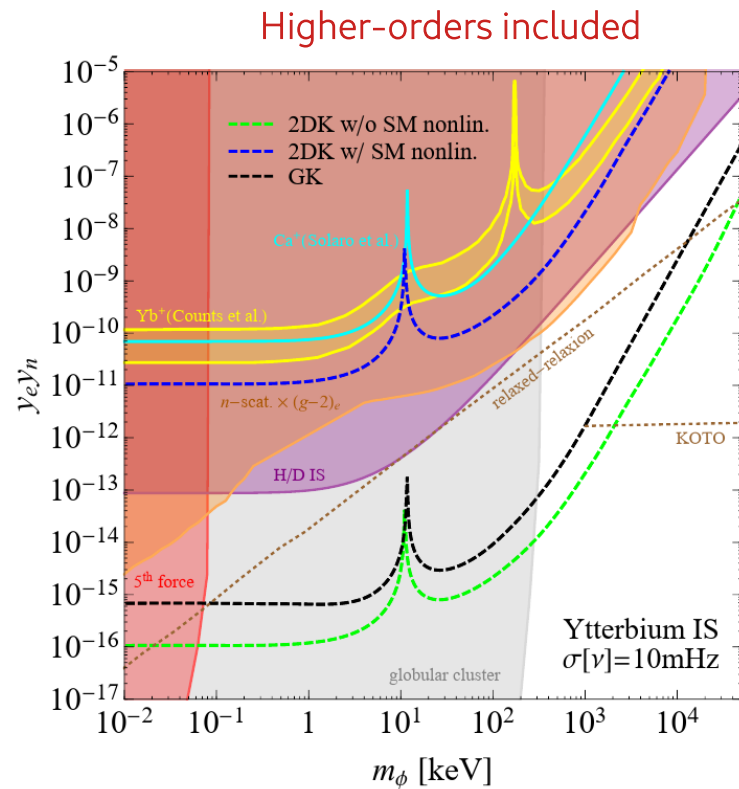
Generalized King plot

$$m\nu_i^a = K_i + \sum_{l=1}^{m-1} F_{il} m \lambda_{l,a} + \alpha_{\text{NP}} X_i h_a$$

sum of higher-order SM terms
(without calculating them)

- **replace unknowns** by additional isotope shifts
- Number of clock transitions, isotopes and higher-order terms has to match

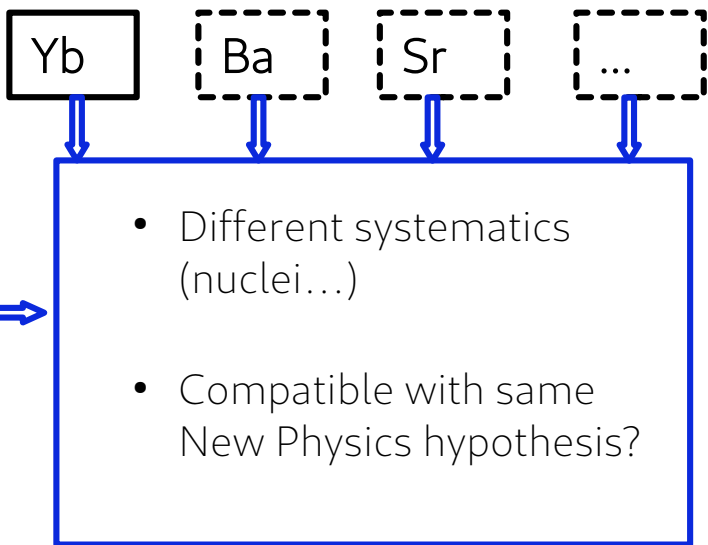
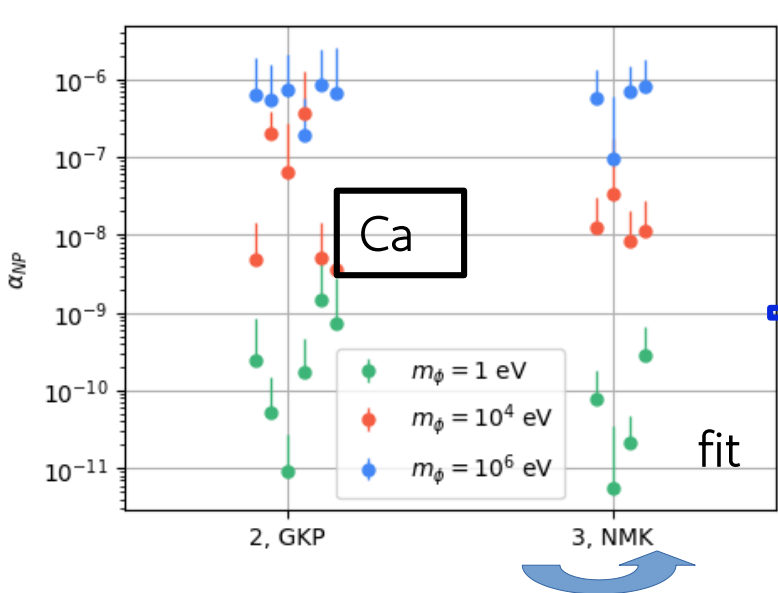
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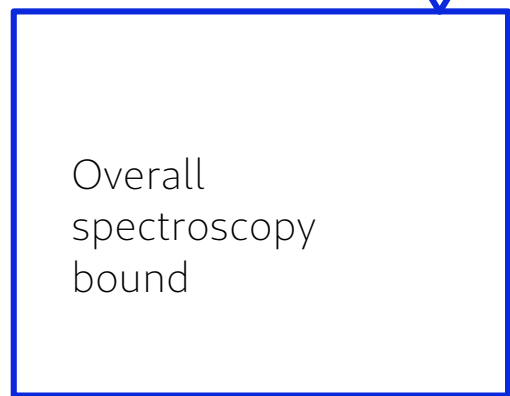
Global fit to all atomic data

[Delaunay, EF, Kirk, Mariotti, Robbiati; in progress]

Goal: For any #transitions,
isotope pairs and to
combine elements:
Global fit to all King plots



Delaunay, Karr, Kitahara, Koelemeij, Soreq, Zupan [PRL 2022]
Bounds from CODATA



Highly Charged Ions (HCI)

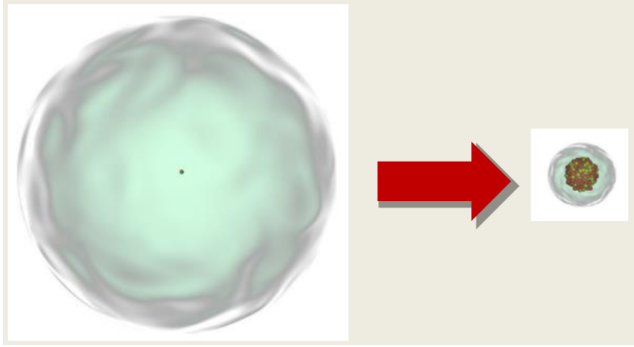


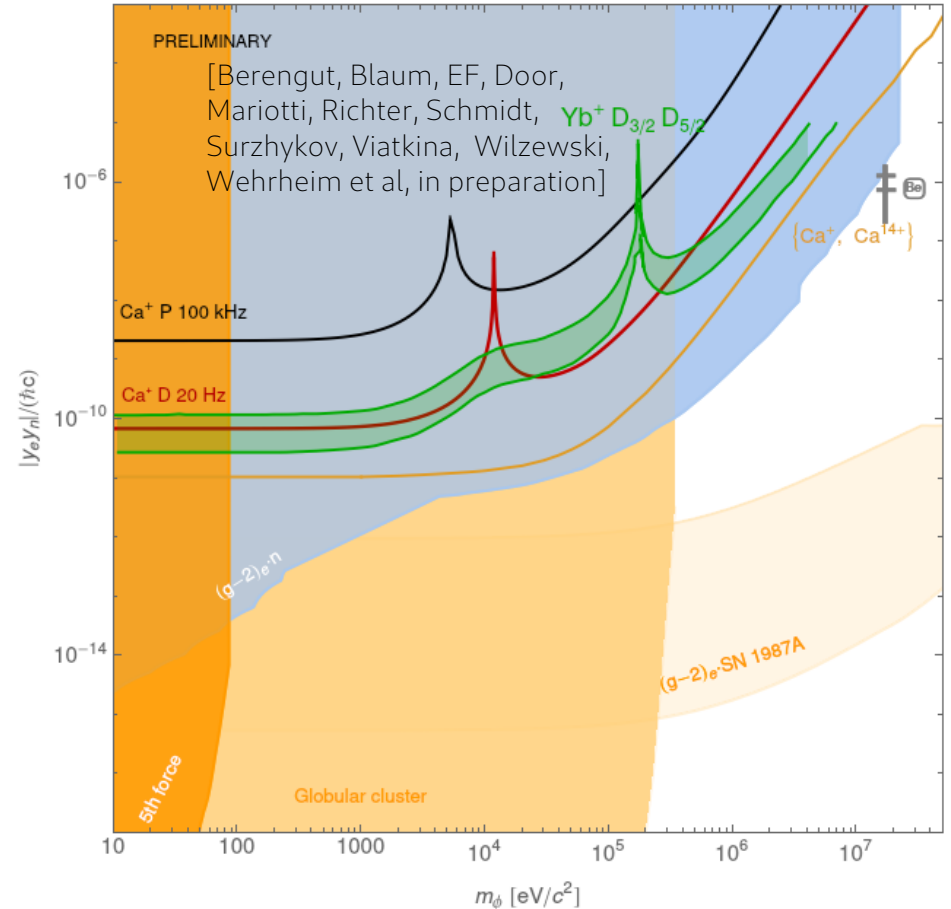
Figure: P. Schmidt

- Electrons removed \rightarrow less multi-body effects
- QED effects amplified $\sim Z^4$
- Systematic shifts reduced, Stark shifts $\sim Z^{-6}$
 \rightarrow high accuracy in traps
- electrons more closely bound
 \rightarrow test shorter interaction range?

- ✓ Very sensitive to time-variation of fundamental constants test ultralight DM
- ✓ Precise optical clock, e.g. Ar^{13+} (2×10^{-17}) [PTB&MPIK, King et al Nature '22]
- ✓ Precise isotope shift measurements possible test light mediators

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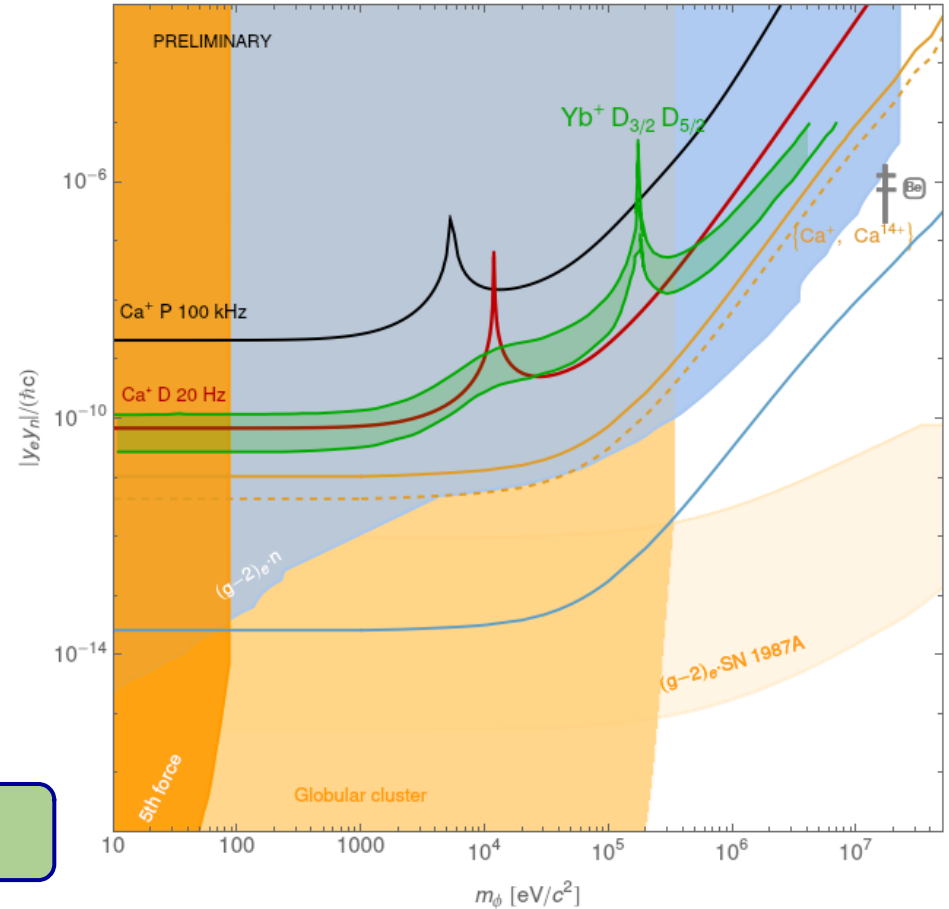
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NP sensitivity **limited by isotope masses**

→ MPIK Heidelberg improving the precision

→ trade isotope masses 3rd frequency
→ “no-mass King plot”

Isotope shifts about to test new parameter space



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Domcke, Kopp, EF, Bringmann 2304.10579, to appear (PRD Letter)

4) High-frequency GWs with optical photons

GW sources and detectors

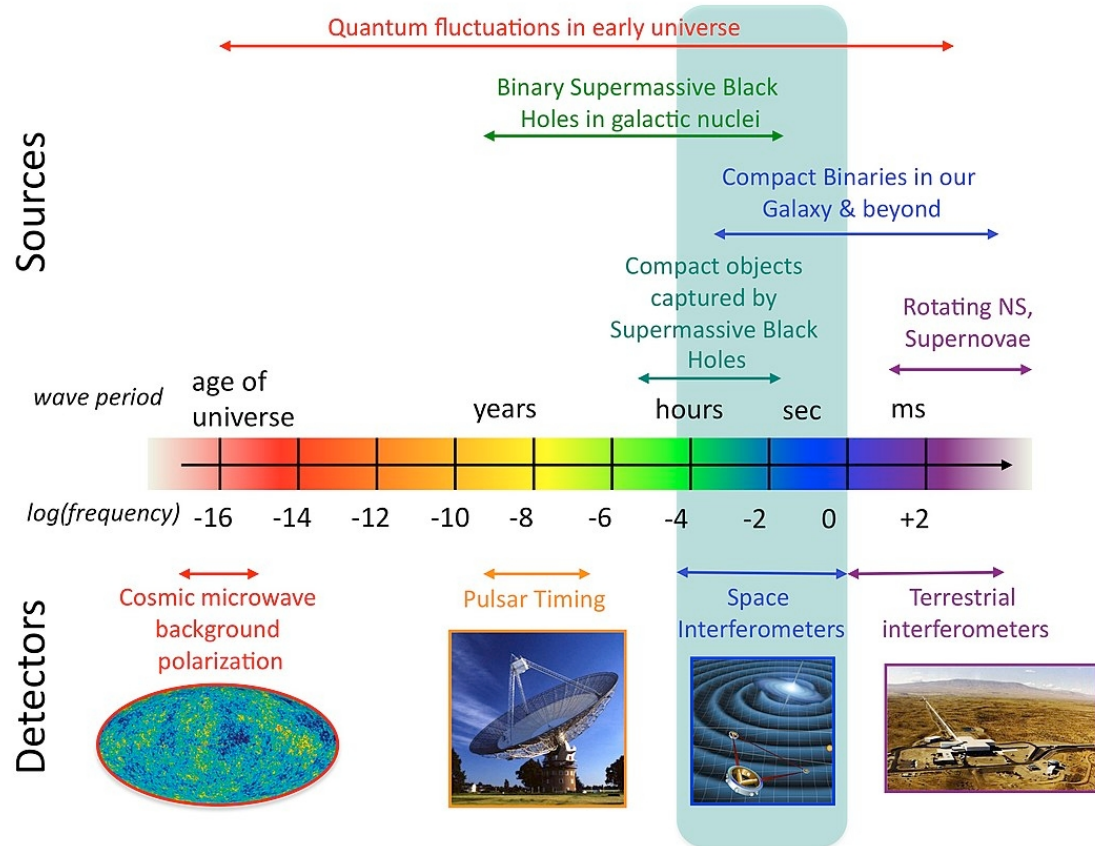
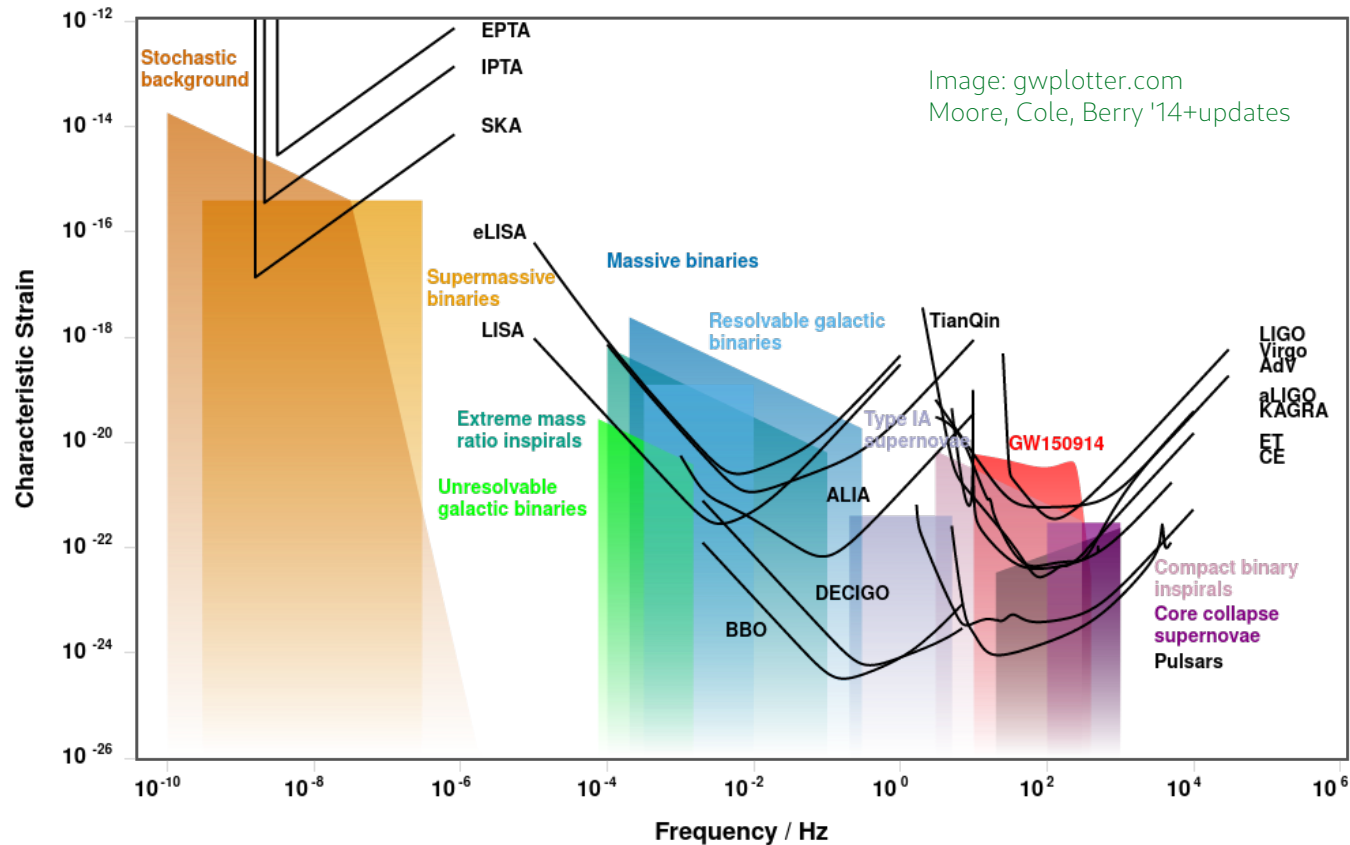
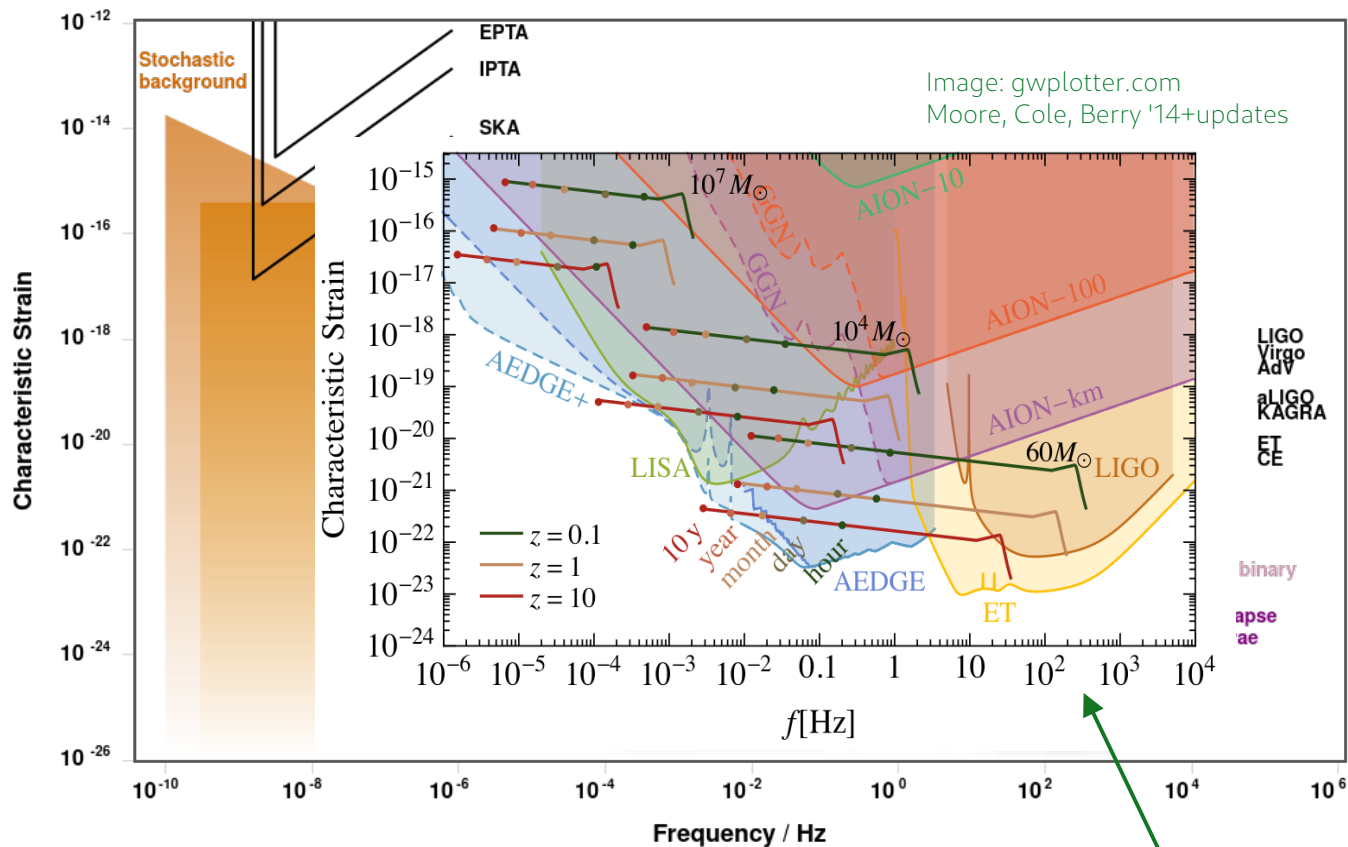


Image: NASA

Sensitivity to GW sources

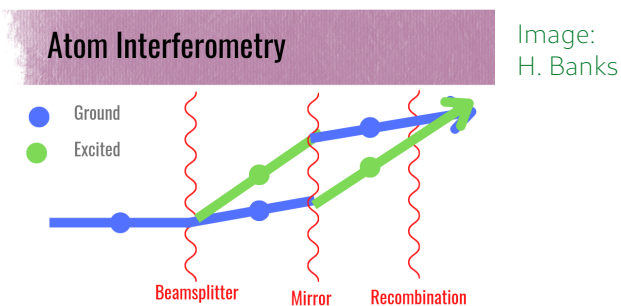


Sensitivity to GW sources



Badurina, Buchmueller, Ellis, Lewicki, McCabe, Vaskonen '21

Atom Interferometers sensitive to mid-frequency GWs

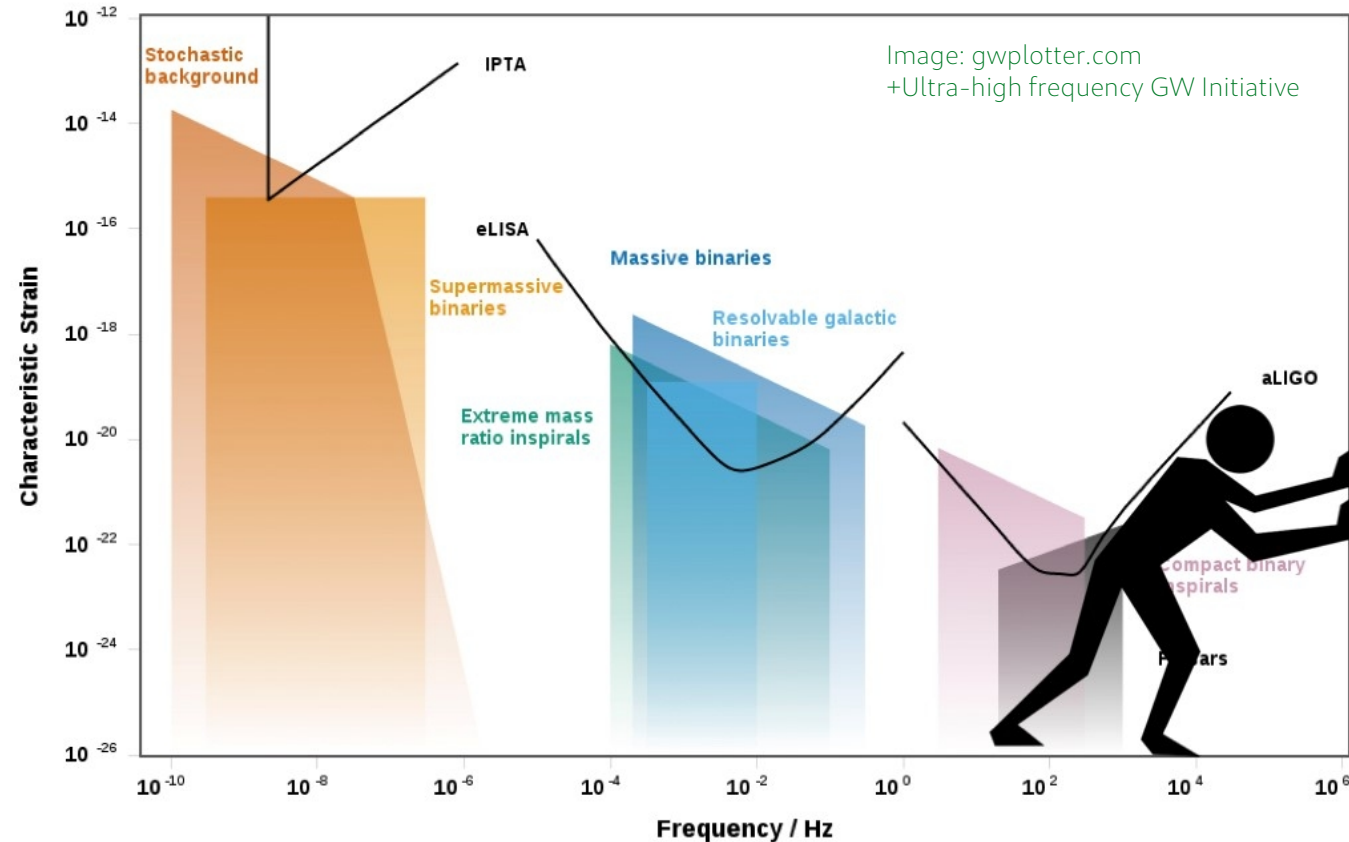


Measure phase difference between matter waves

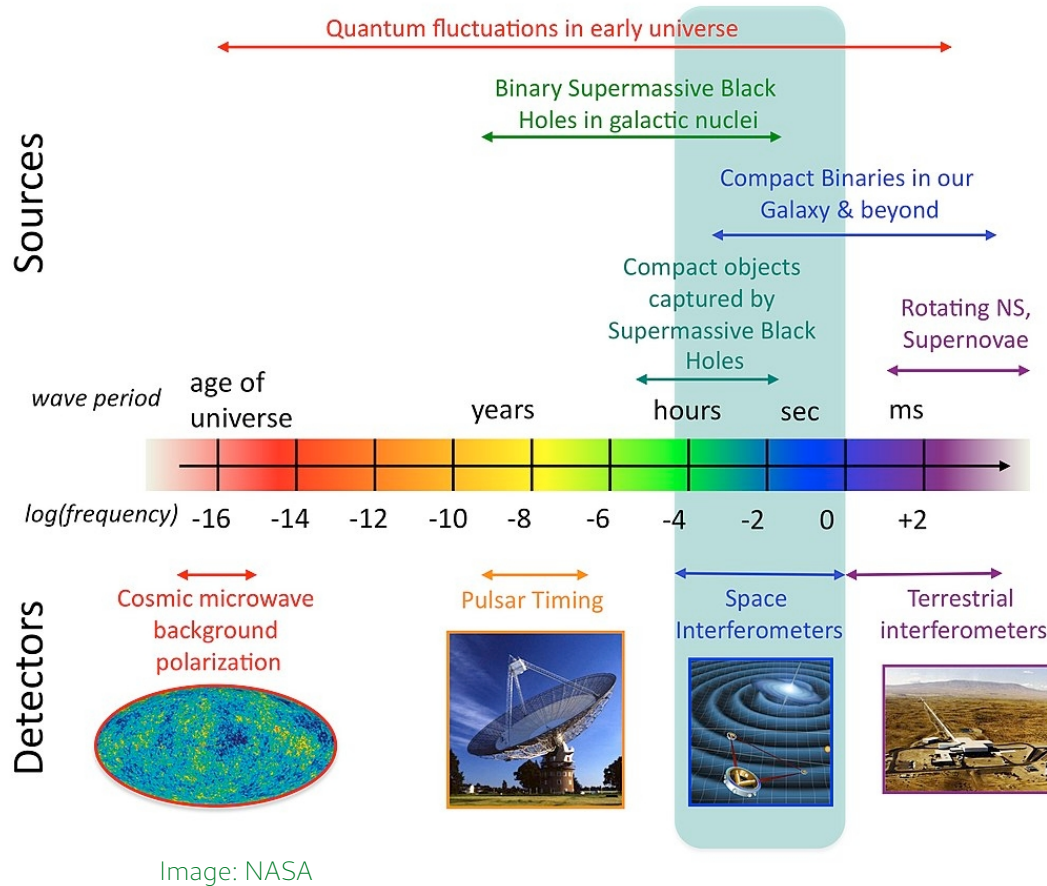
As a GW Detector:

GW modifies distance between 2 atom interferometers → phase shift

Pushing towards high frequencies



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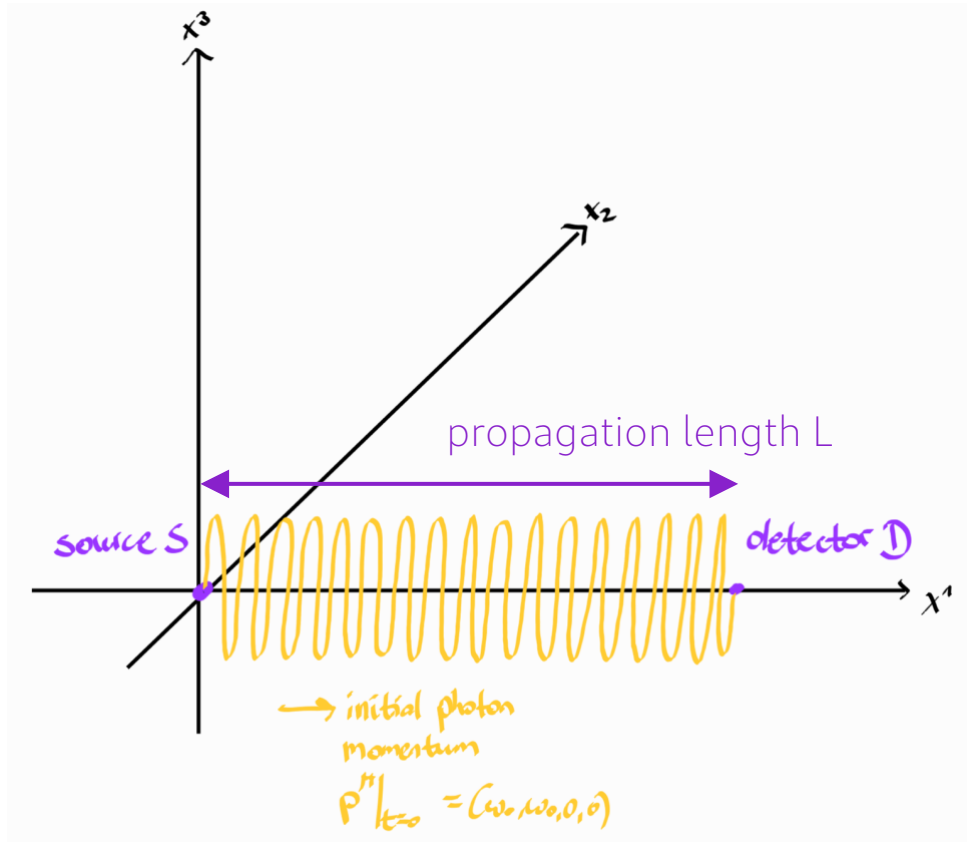
sources for high-frequency
GWs expected?

If yes, how can one detect them?

Searches and proposals:

- Interferometers
- Levitated sensors
- Radio cavities

Photon in gravitational field

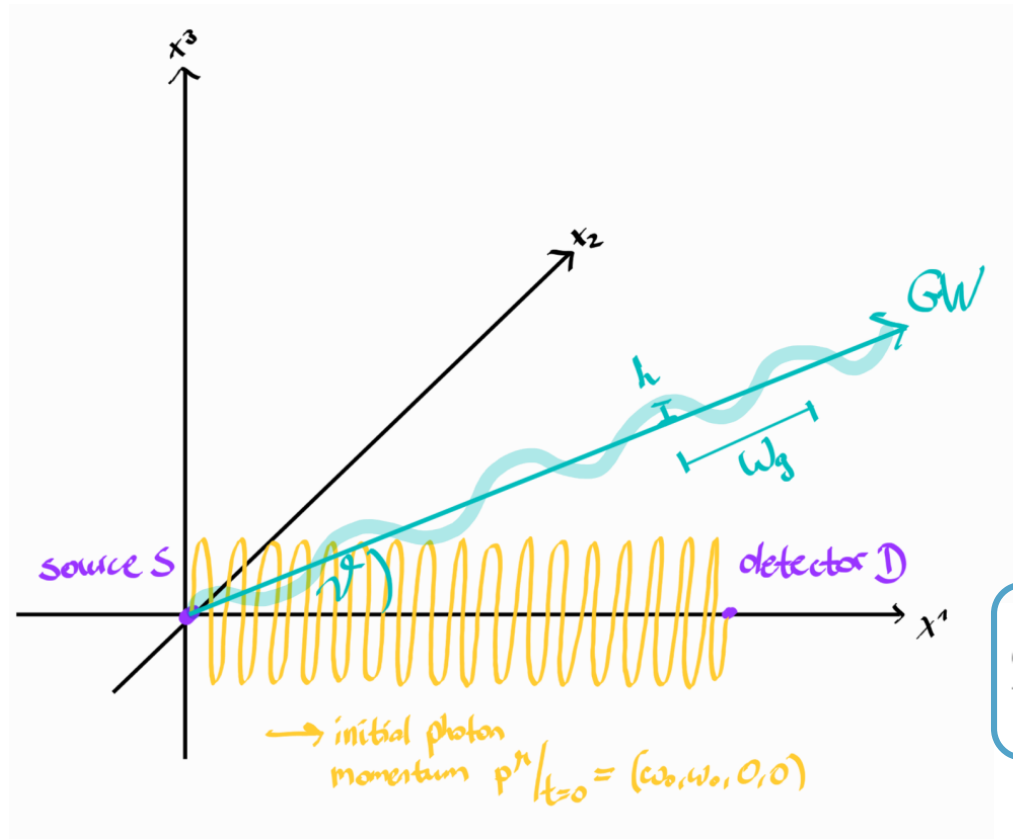


Goal: compare frequency of photon measured by S and D

Free-falling observer moving with 4-velocity u^μ measures at D

$$\omega_\gamma = -g_{\mu\nu} p^\mu u^\nu$$

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Gravitational Wave: perturbs metric

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}$$

$$p^\mu = (\omega_0, \omega_0, 0, 0) + \delta p^\mu$$

$$u^\mu = (1, 0, 0, 0) + \delta u^\mu, \quad \sim h \text{ (GW strain)}$$

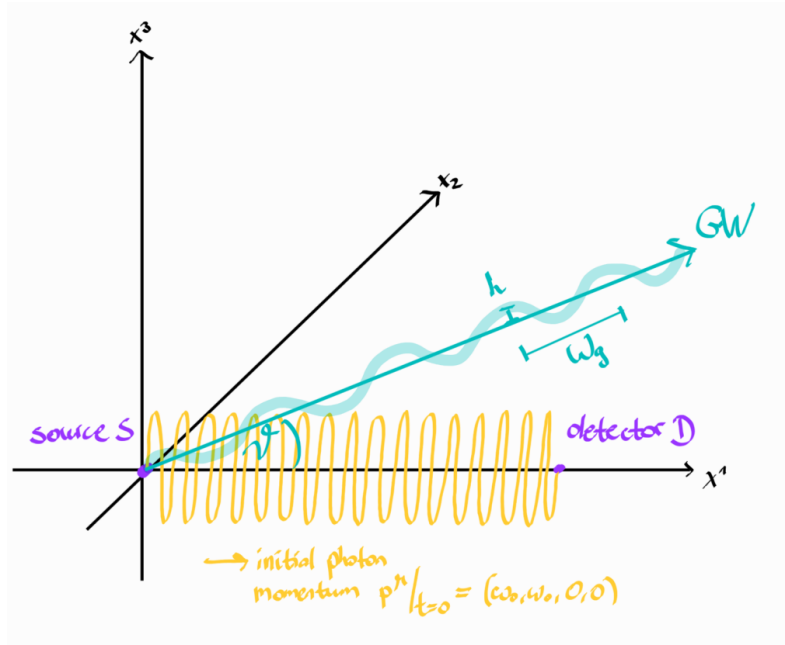
Geodesic equation $\rightarrow \dots \rightarrow$ master formula for frequency change at $O(h)$:

$$\frac{\omega_\gamma^D - \omega_\gamma^S}{\omega_\gamma^D} = -\frac{\omega_0}{2} \int_0^{\lambda_D} d\lambda' \partial_0 [h_{00} + 2h_{10} + h_{11}]_{x^\mu = x_{\lambda',0}^\mu}$$

$$+ [\delta u^0 - \delta u^1](\lambda_D) - [\delta u^0 - \delta u^1](\lambda_S).$$

Free-falling detectors – TT frame

- S and D in free fall (move freely at least in direction of photon propagation)
 - most convenient in **transverse traceless (TT) gauge** $h_{\mu 0}^{TT} = 0$, $\partial^i h_{ij}^{TT} = 0$, $\eta^{ij} h_{ij}^{TT} = 0$ where observers at rest remain at rest



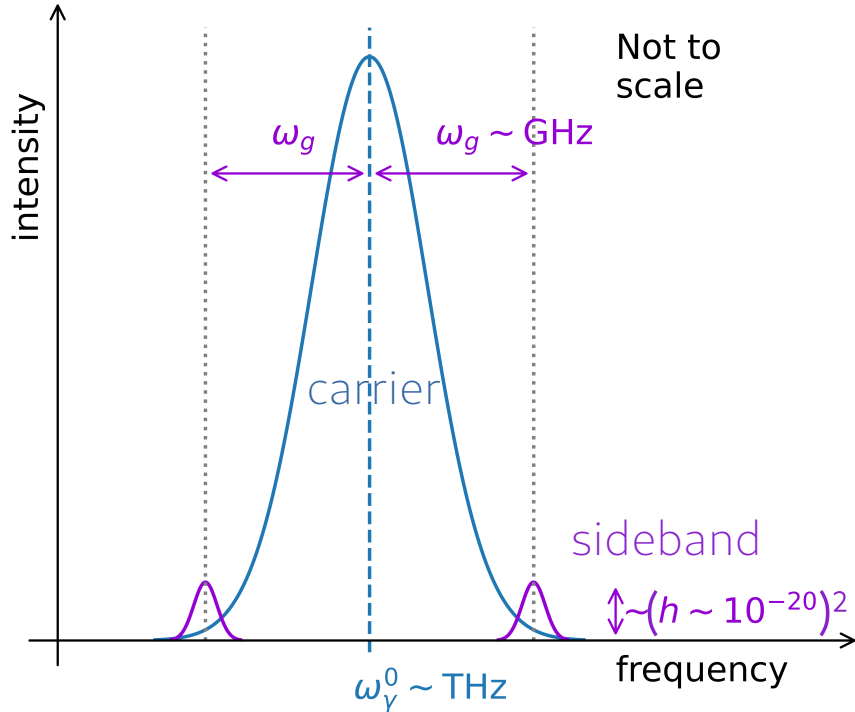
$$h_{11}^{TT}(x^\mu) = h_+ s_\vartheta^2 \cos[\omega_g(x^0 - c_\vartheta x^1 - s_\vartheta x^3) + \varphi_0]$$

Plane wave

Frequency shift by GW (in + polarization)

$$\frac{\omega_\gamma^D - \omega_\gamma^S}{\omega_\gamma^D} = h_+ c_\vartheta^2 / 2 \left\{ \cos \varphi_0 - \cos[\omega_g L(1 - c_\vartheta) + \varphi_0] \right\},$$

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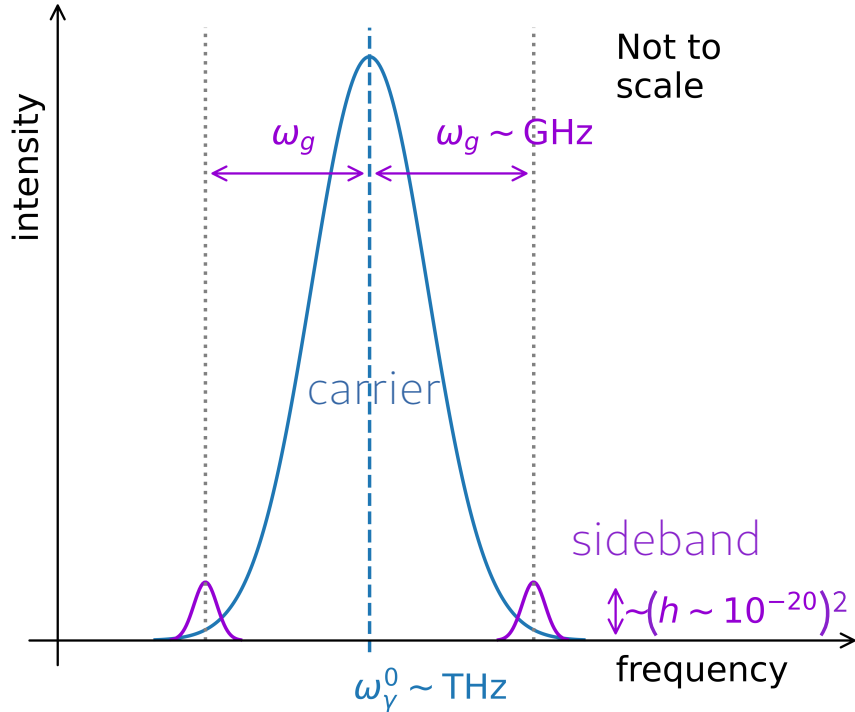


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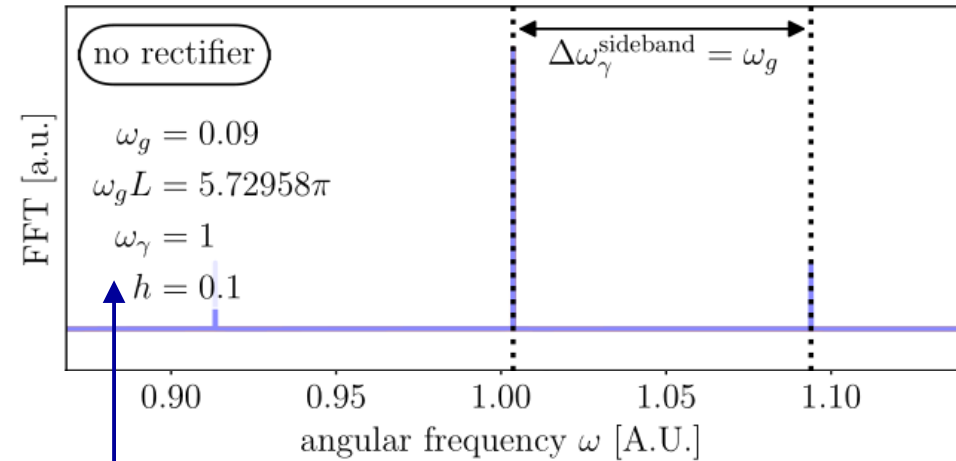
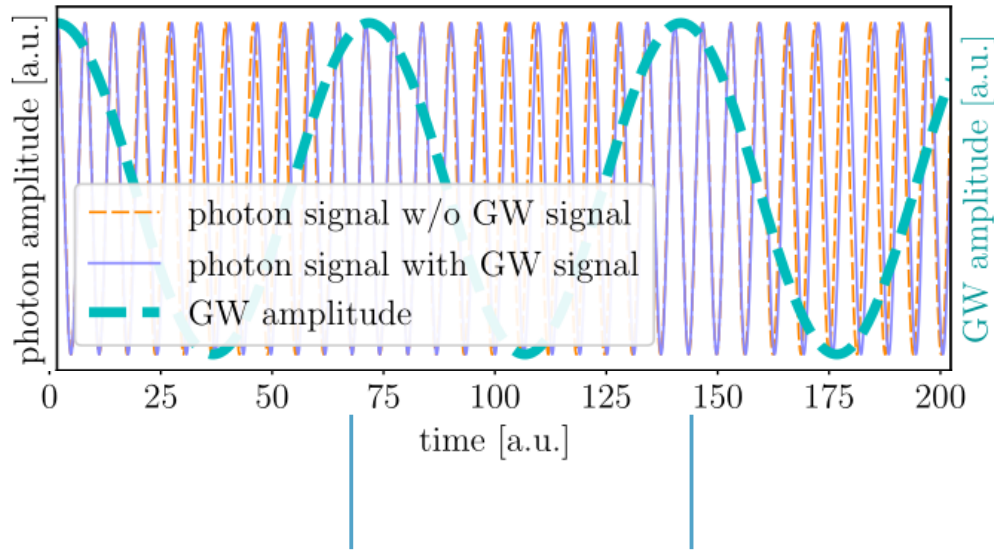
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➡ How to make the sidebands detectable?

→ Cavities, fiber Bragg grating, optical rectifier, ...?

Detection: 2) Optical clocks

Original setup:



Parameters chosen for illustration purposes only

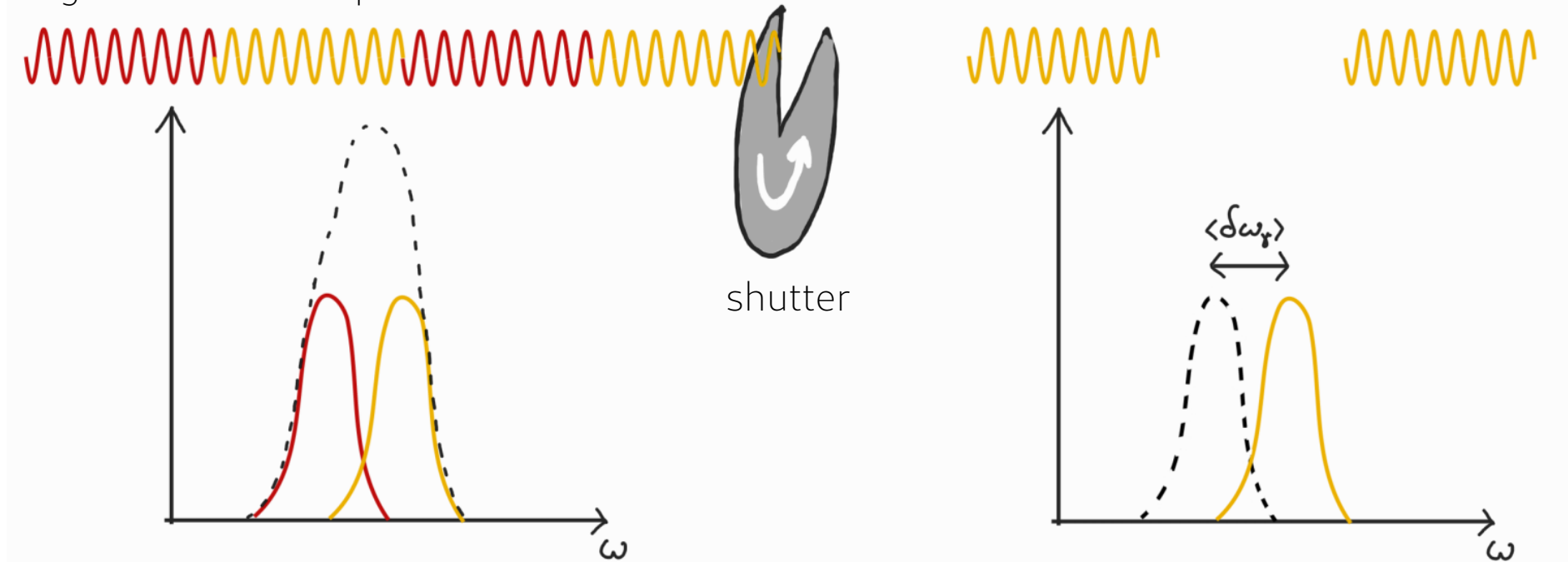
Phase modulation is averaged out during GW period



Only sidebands, no net frequency shift of γ

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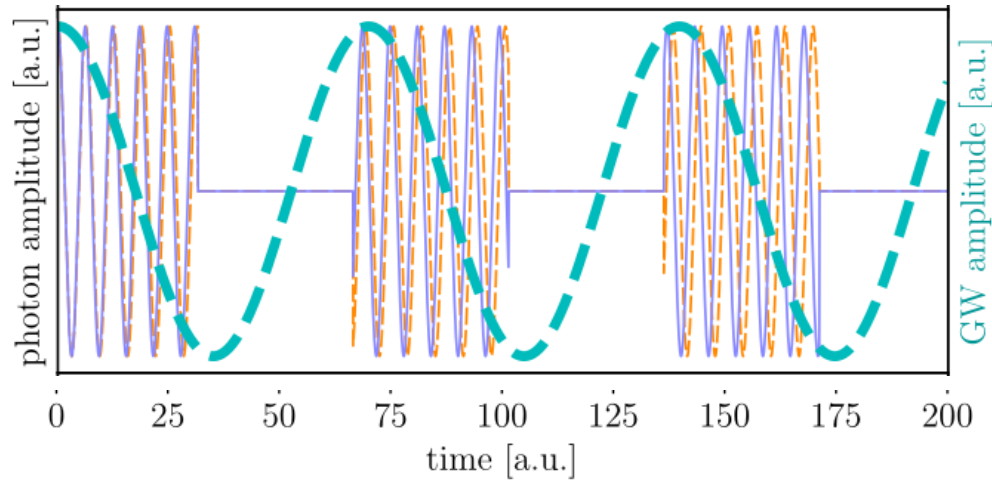
Idea: block the photon propagation during half of the GW period



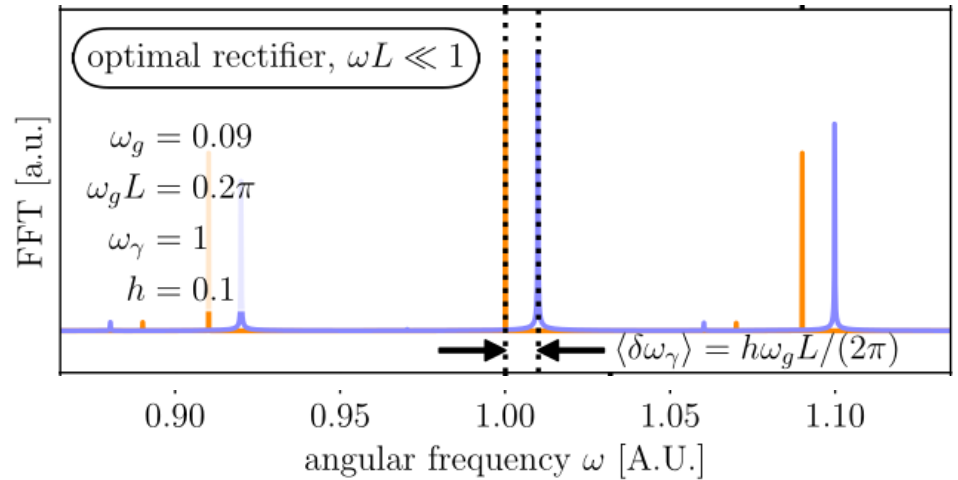
Photon net frequency shift detectable by Ramsey spectroscopy

Rectifier: small ωL

Pass if $\sin \varphi_0 = \sin \omega_g t > 0$



$$\langle \delta \omega_\gamma \rangle = h \omega_g L / (2\pi) \quad (\theta = \pi/2)$$



Orange sideband: effect of shutter

Not only sideband, but also frequency shift of photon carrier line

Sensitivity

Assumptions in the limits:

$$\tau = 1 \text{ s}, L = 1 \text{ m}, \omega_{\gamma}^S / 2\pi = 2 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}$$

Integration time

optical

$$P = \text{mW} \quad \text{Laser power: need high \#photons}$$

transmission Thermal noise

$$= (\alpha_T, \alpha_{th})$$

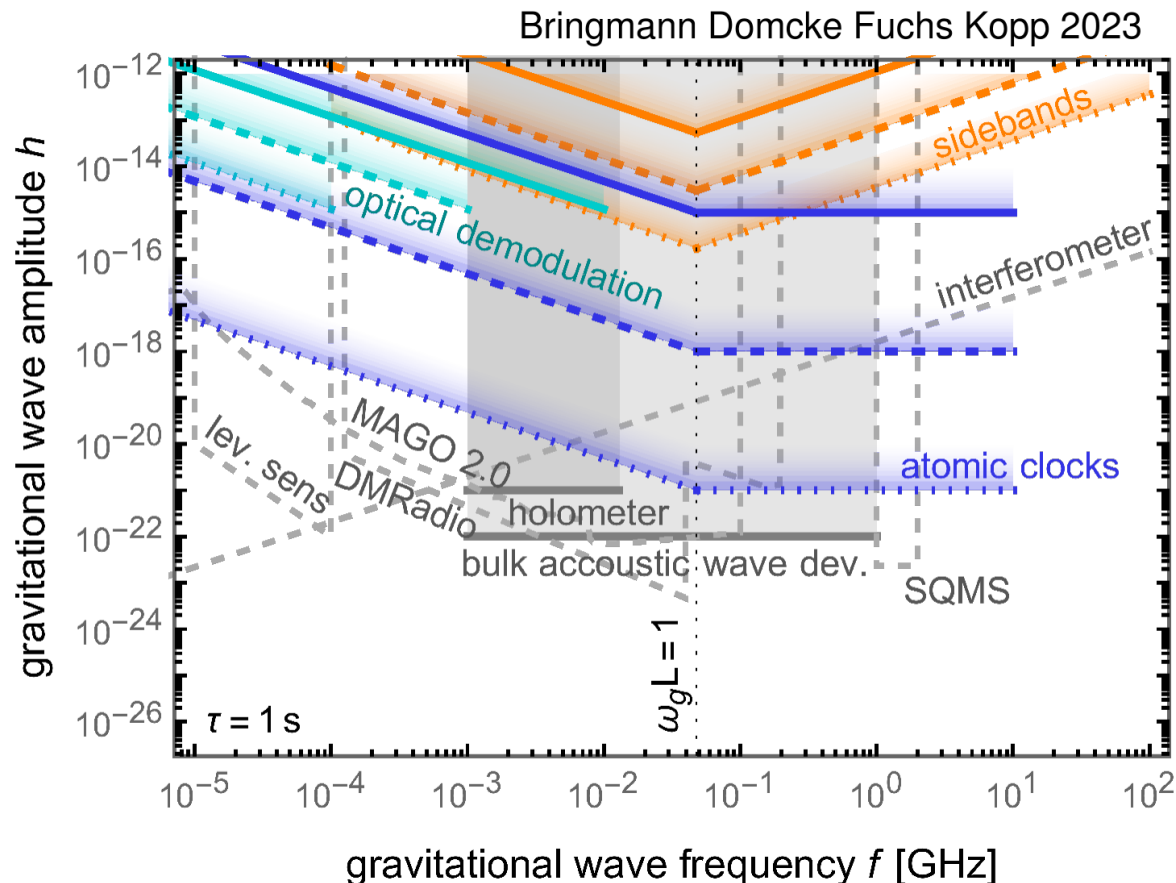
$$= \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (10^{-10}, 10^{-15}), \\ (10^{-15}, 10^{-17}), \\ (10^{-20}, 10^{-19}) \end{array} \right\}$$

conservative

realistic

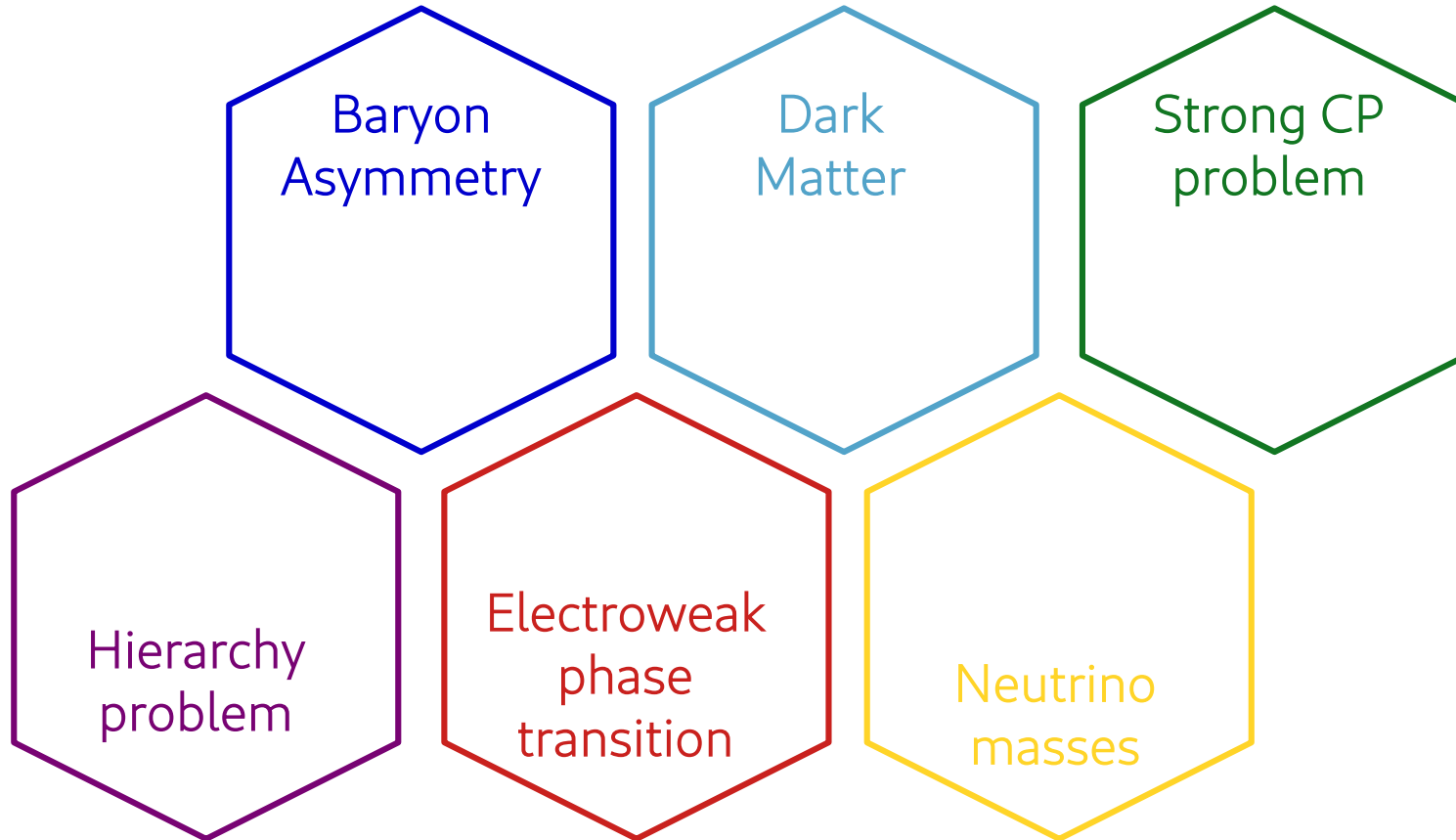
optimistic

Promising approach over broad frequency range



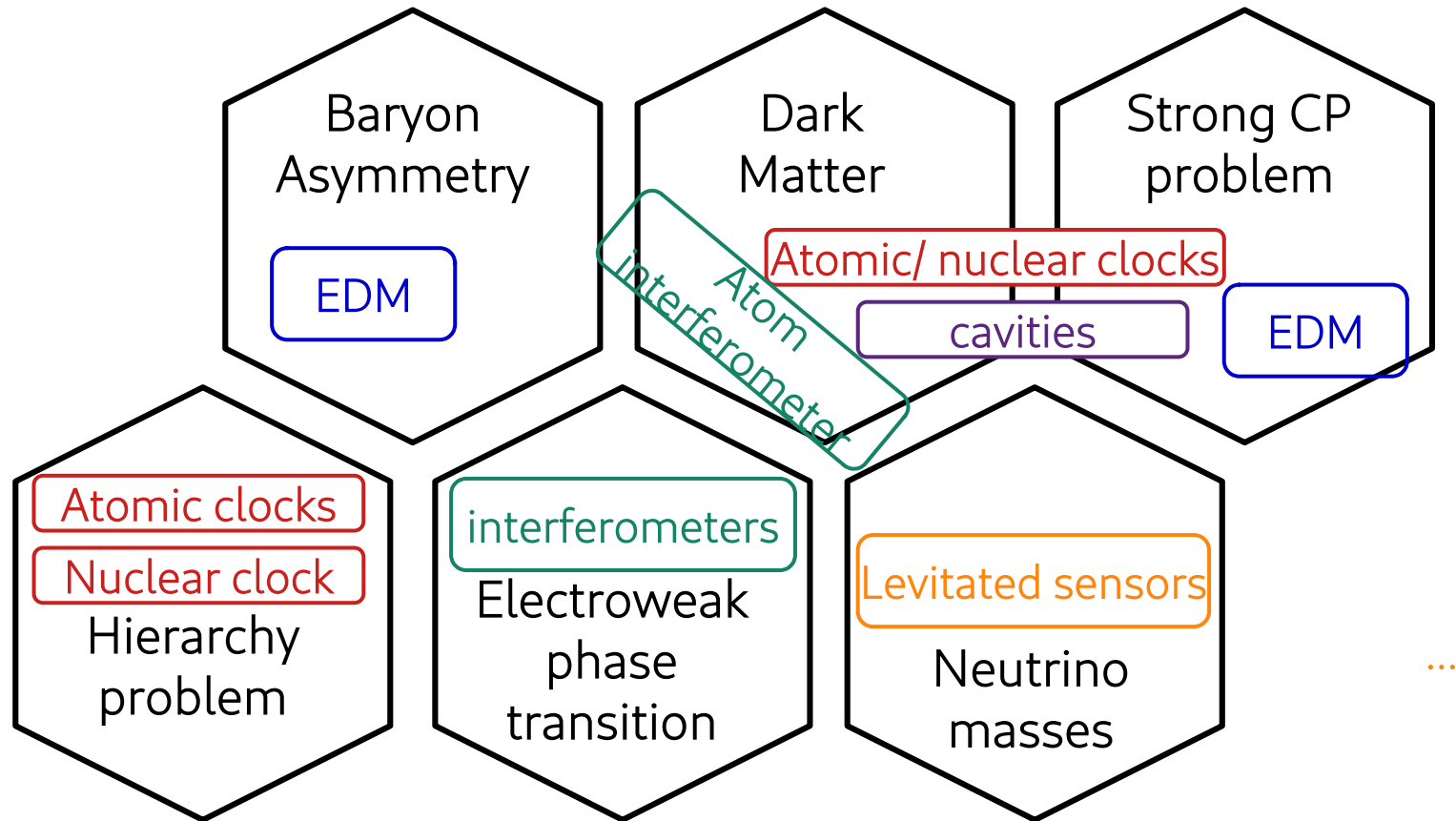
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APPENDIX

NP shifts of atomic spectra

Energy shift due to new long-range interaction

$$V_{\text{NP}} = \frac{y_e y_n}{4\pi r} e^{-m_\phi r}$$



$$m\nu_2 = F_{21}m\nu_1 + K_{21} - y_e y_n A A' (X_2 - X_1 F_{21})$$

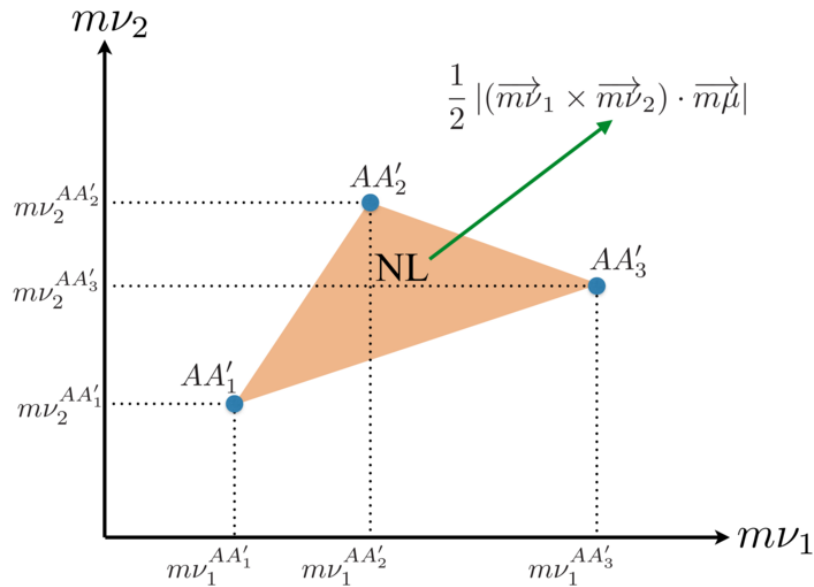
NP ϕ coupling to electrons and neutrons

theory input: NP electronic coefficients
overlap of wavefunctions with NP potential
 $X_i = X_i(m_\phi)$

Goal: bound on $y_e y_n$ and m_ϕ in data-driven approach

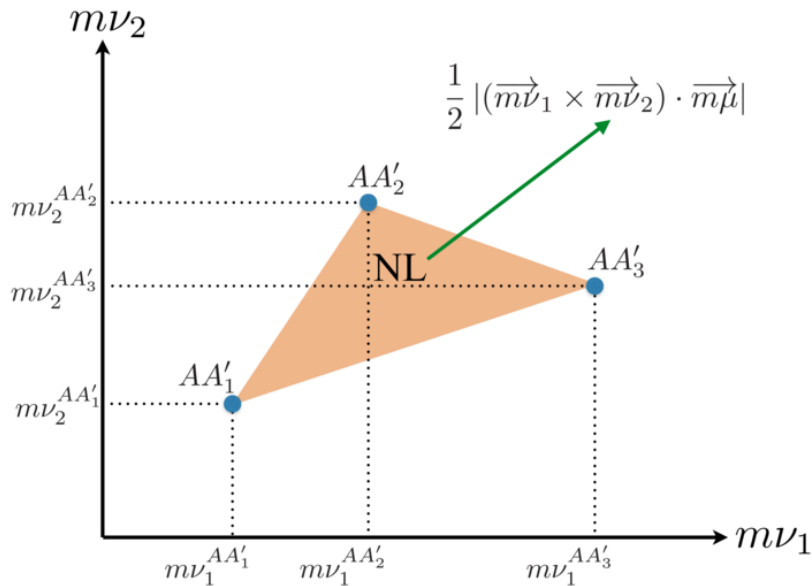
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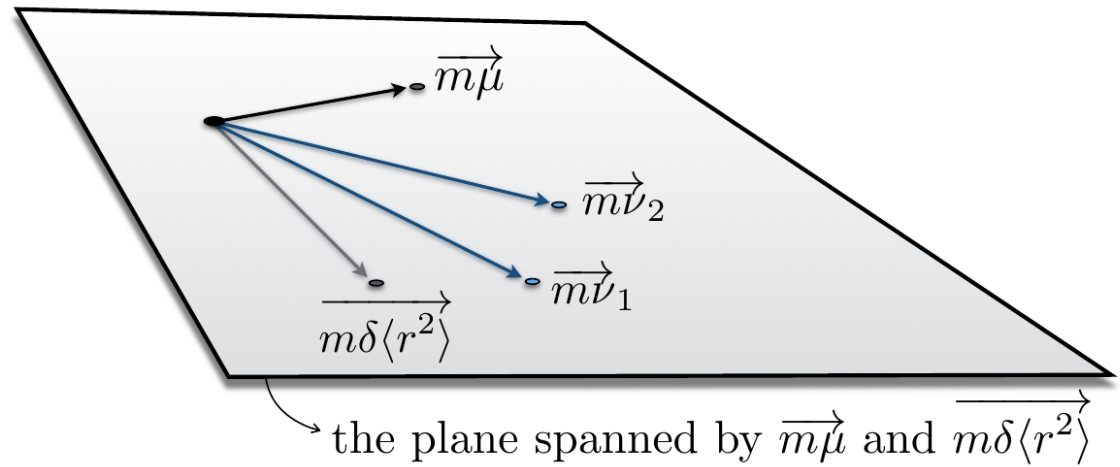


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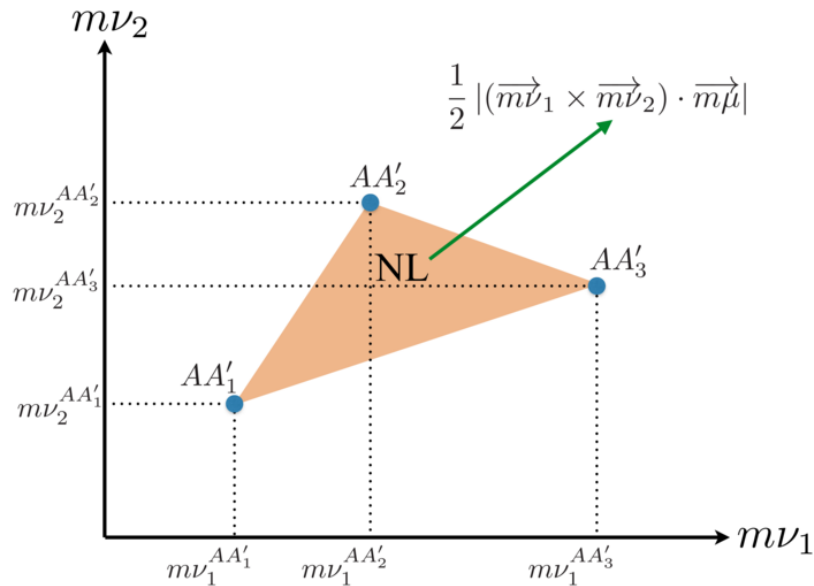


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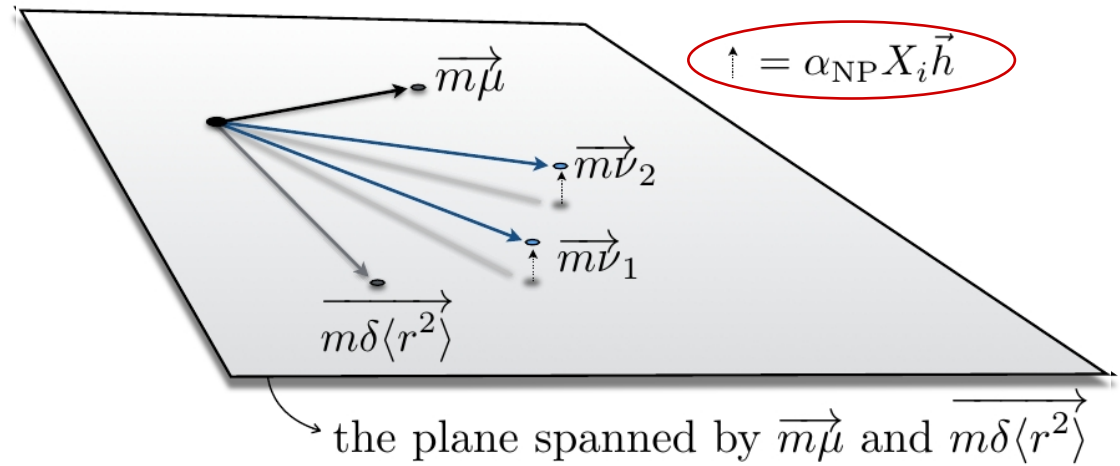


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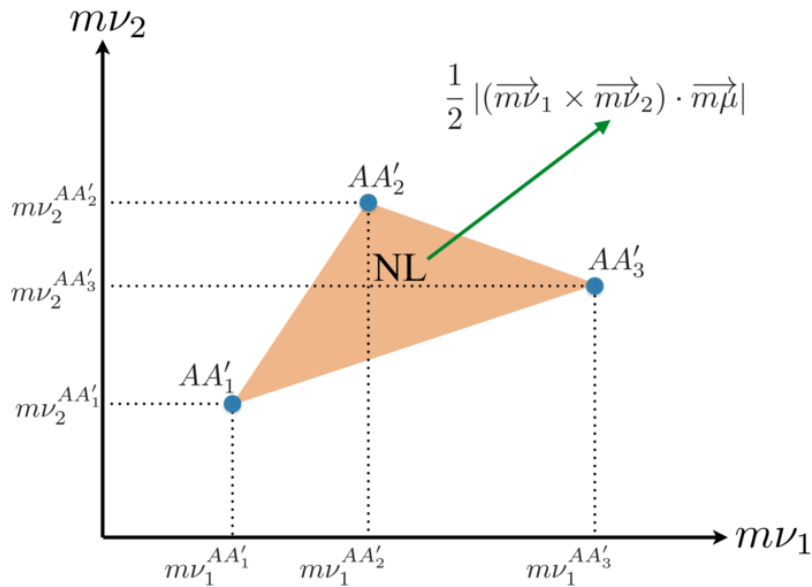


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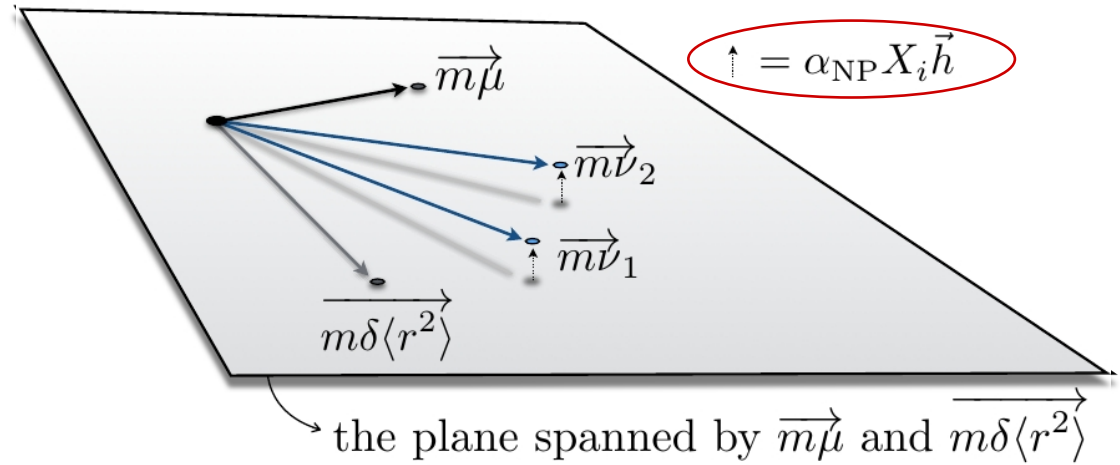


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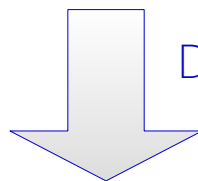
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Developed isotope vector space

NP can break linearity: non-linearity measure NL_{NP}

$$NL_{NP} = [\vec{m\mu} \times (X_2 - F_{21}X_1) \vec{m\nu}_1] \cdot \vec{h}$$

$NL_{NP} = 0$ if

(i) $X_i \propto F_i$ (heavy m_ϕ)

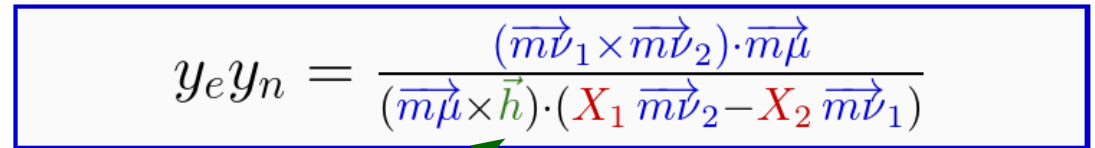
(ii) $\vec{h} \parallel \vec{m\mu}$ or $\vec{m\delta\langle r^2 \rangle}$
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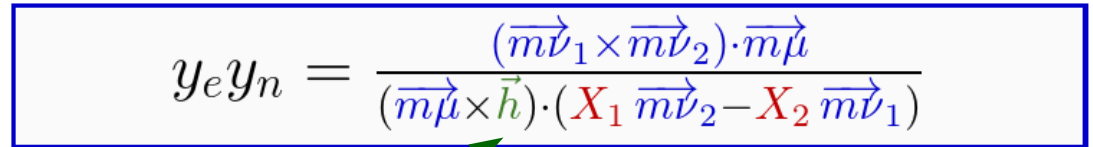
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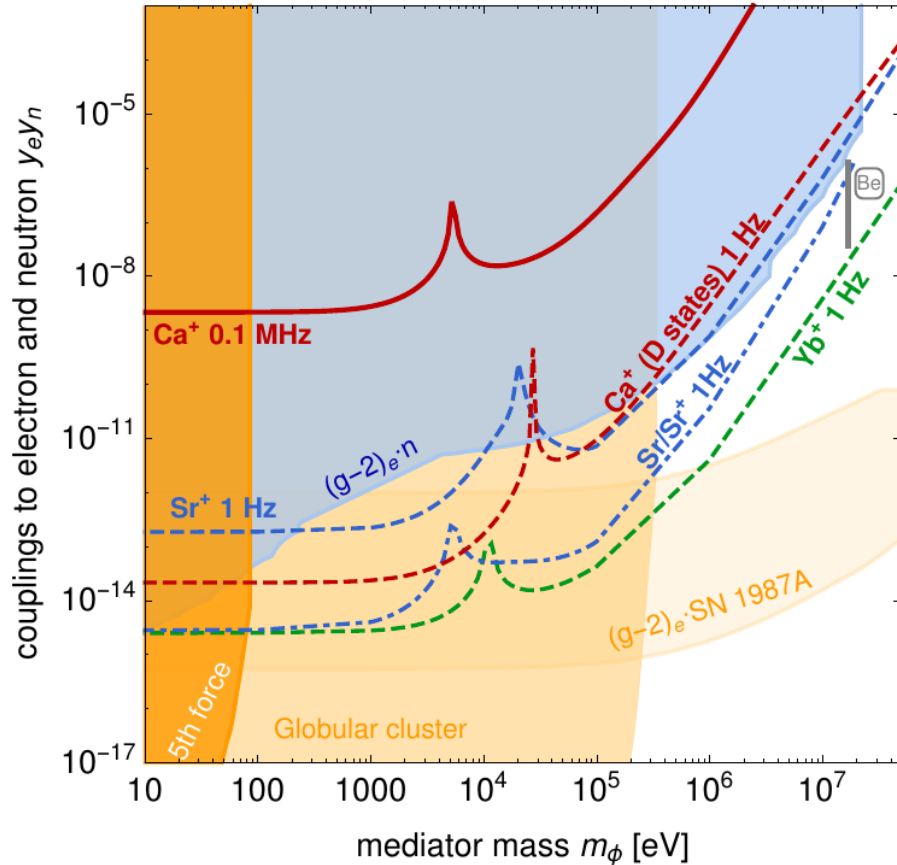
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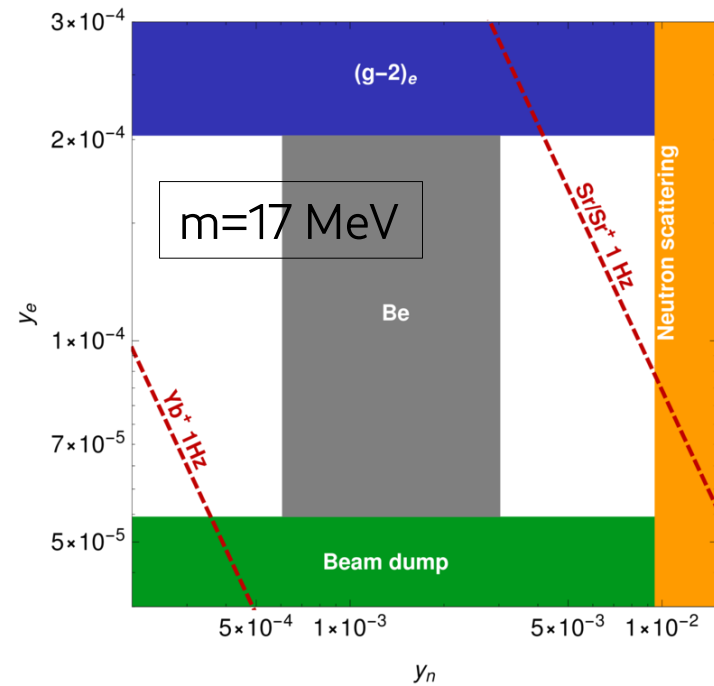
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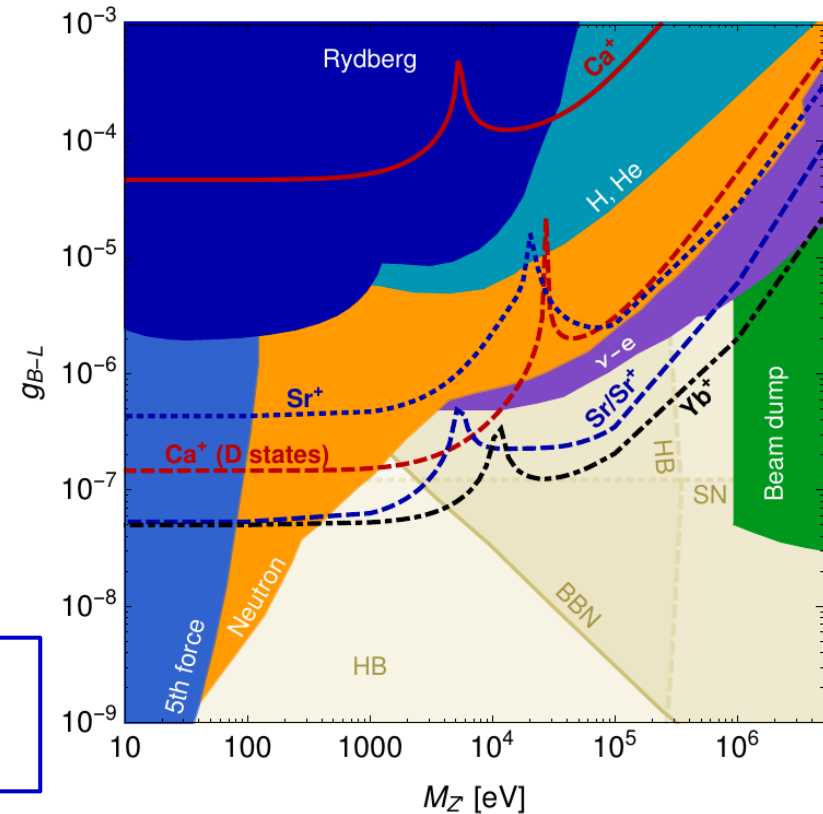
Implications for NP models



[Frugiuele, EF,
Perez, Schlaffer '17]

Yb+ 1Hz potential to rule out
protophobic explanation of Atomki ^8Be
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$U(1)_{B-L}$
New Z' boson



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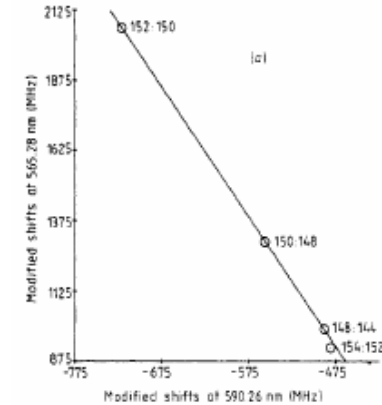
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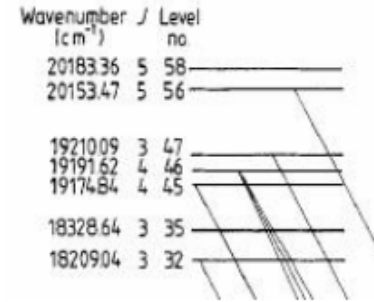
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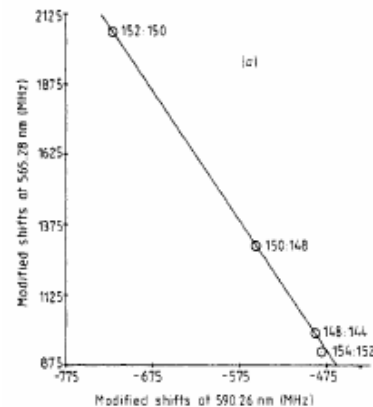
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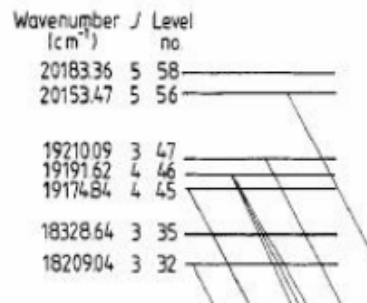
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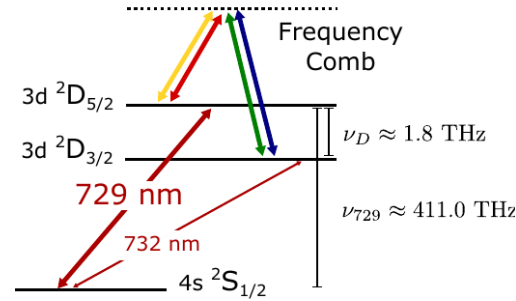
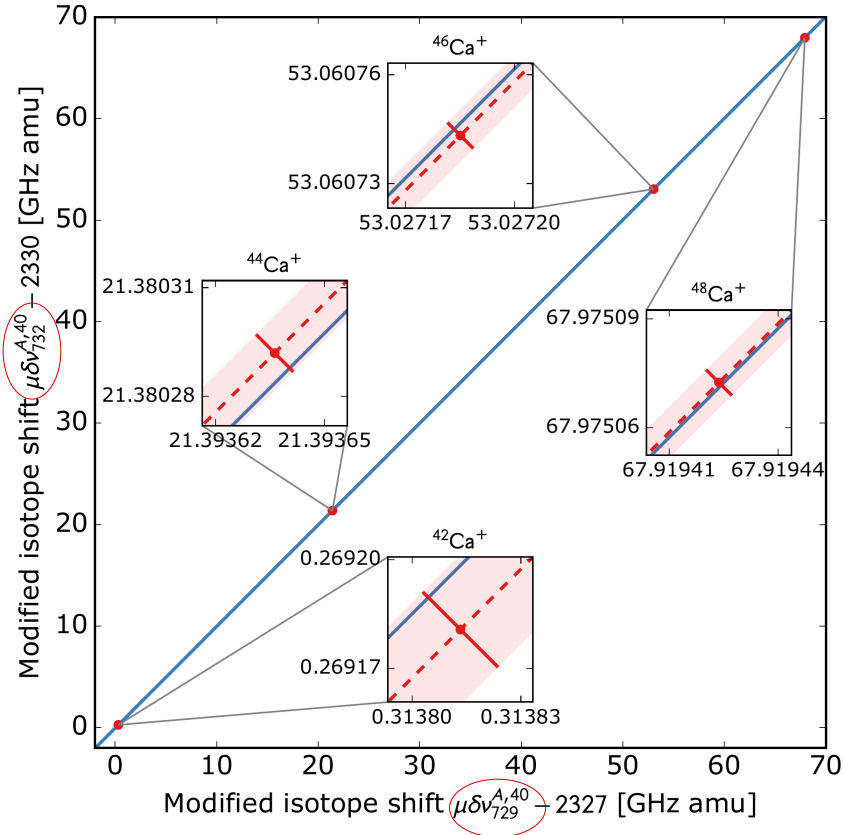


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Very precise Ca^+ King Plot

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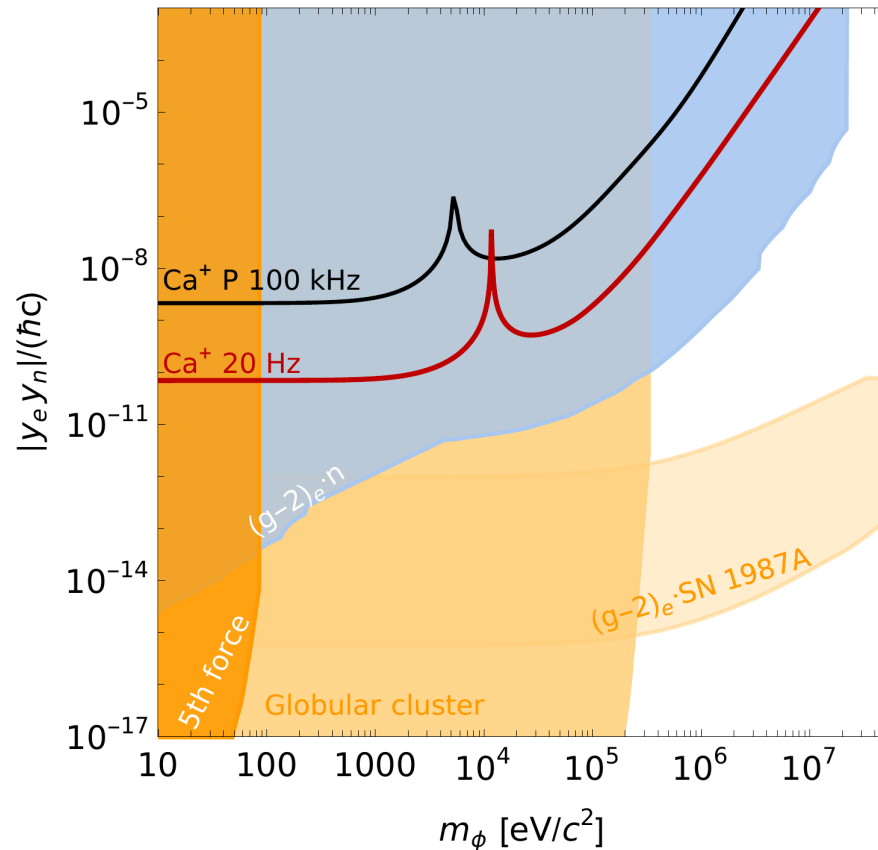
Aarhus: $D_{3/2} - D_{5/2}$ at 20 Hz

Ca 40, 42, 44, 46, 48

King plot linear at $\sim 1\sigma$, $\chi^2=0.9$

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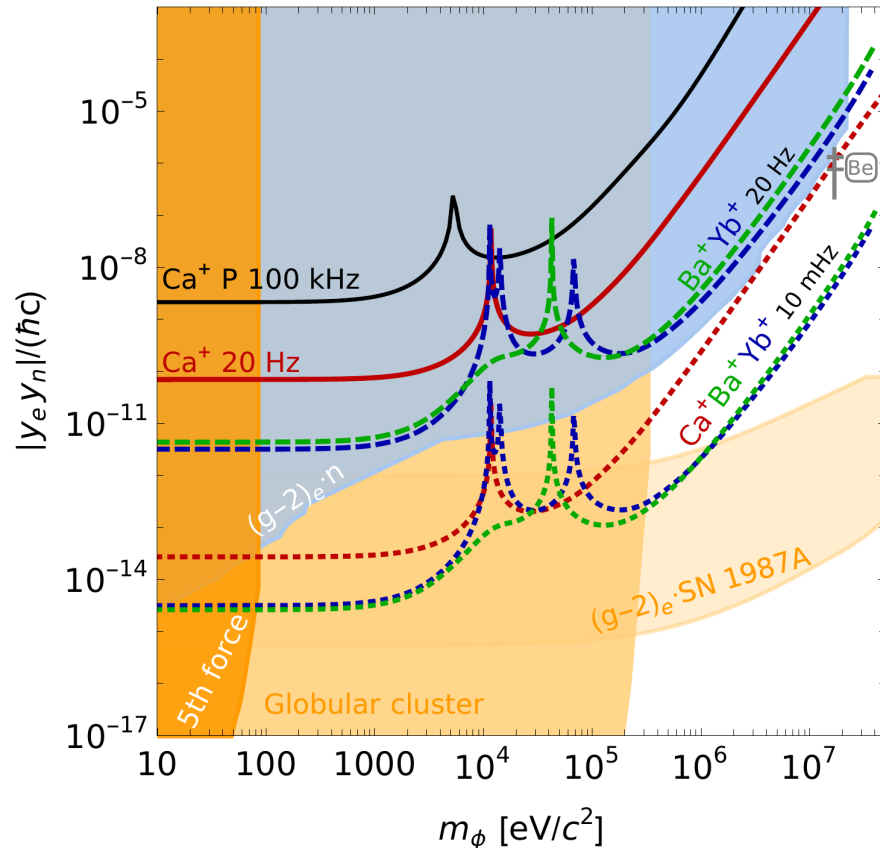
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Scrutinizing the Yb anomaly

Figueroa, Berengut, Dzuba, Flambaum, Budker, Antypas, PRL 2022

New Yb/Yb⁺ King plot: reduced nonlinearity could be explained by **nuclear deformation**

Hur, Craik, Counts, Berengut, Vuletic et al, '22

S → F octupole transition of Yb⁺ combined with previous Yb⁺ and Yb IS:

- 4.3 sigma for **2nd source**
- future: 4 orders improvement of exp. uncertainty to sub-Hz level as in simultaneously trapped Sr⁺

Flambaum, Samsonov, Tan, Viatkina '21

Nuclear polarization effects in atoms and ions

Fürst, Zeh, Dreissen, Kulosa, Kalincev, Lange, Benkler, Huntemann, Peik, Mehlstäubler PRL 2020

- **Improved measurement** of 411nm (E2) and 467nm (E3) transitions in ¹⁷²Yb⁺ at few Hz
- further with isotope shifts of S-D, S-F at sub-10-Hz precision → update coming soon

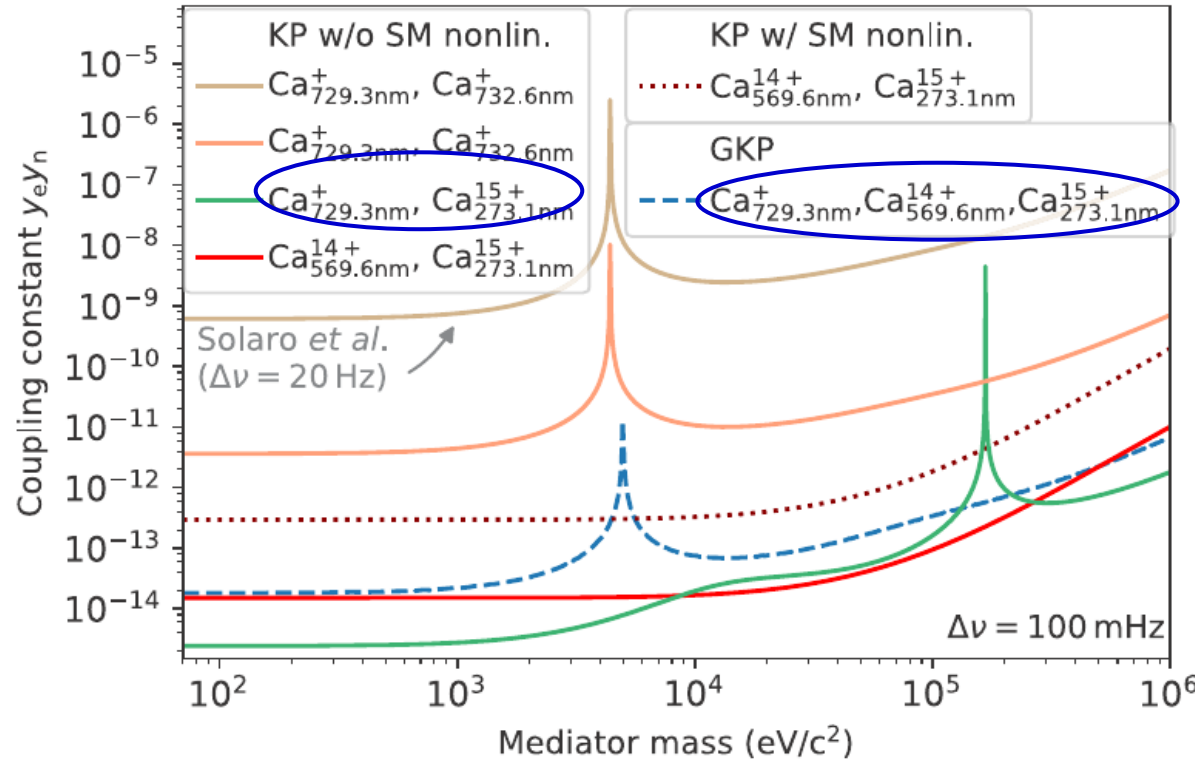
Highly charged ion (HCl) King plot

[Rehbehn, Rosner, Bekker, Berengut, Schmidt, King, Micke, Gu, Müller, Suryzhkov, Crespo Lopez-Urrutia '21]

[King, Spieß, Micke, Wilzewski, Leopold, Benkler, Lange, Huntemann, Suryzhkov, Zerokhin, Crespo, Schmidt; Nature 611 (2022)]

- HCl: less electrons
- Generalized King plot
- Projected bounds assuming no isotope mass uncertainties

Very promising combination of singly and highly charged Ca ions



→ find optimal combination
→ ongoing: replacement of isotope masses
AND higher-order mass shift

[Berengut, EF, Mariotti, Richter, Surzhykov, Viatkina; work in progress]

See also Hydrogen-like ions [Debierre, Keitel, Harman '22]

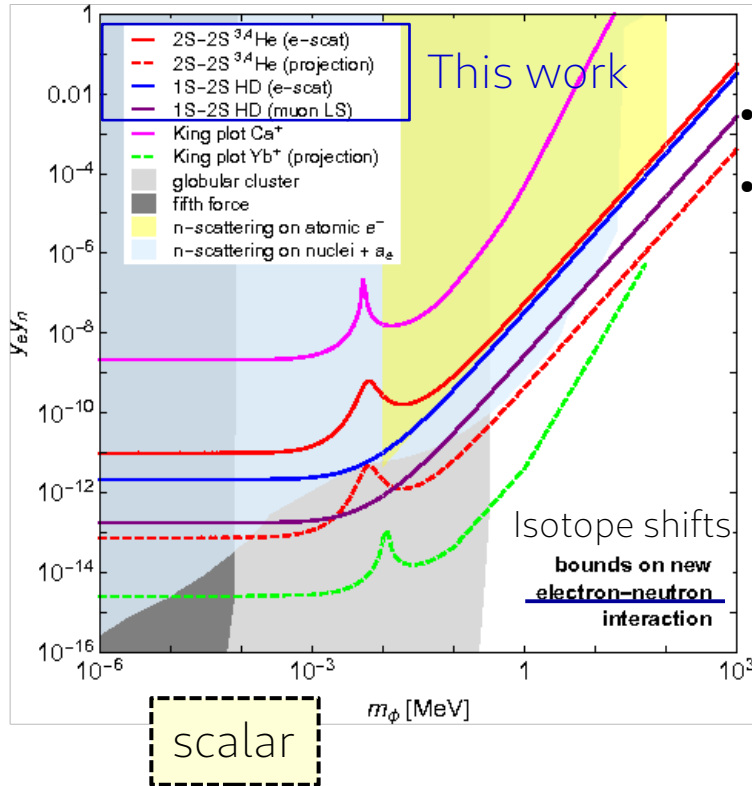
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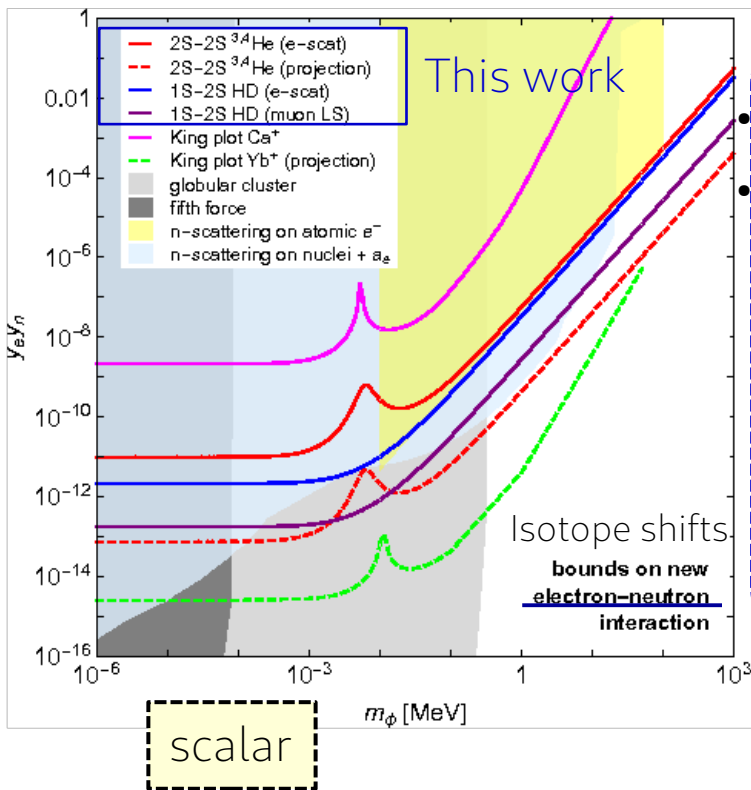


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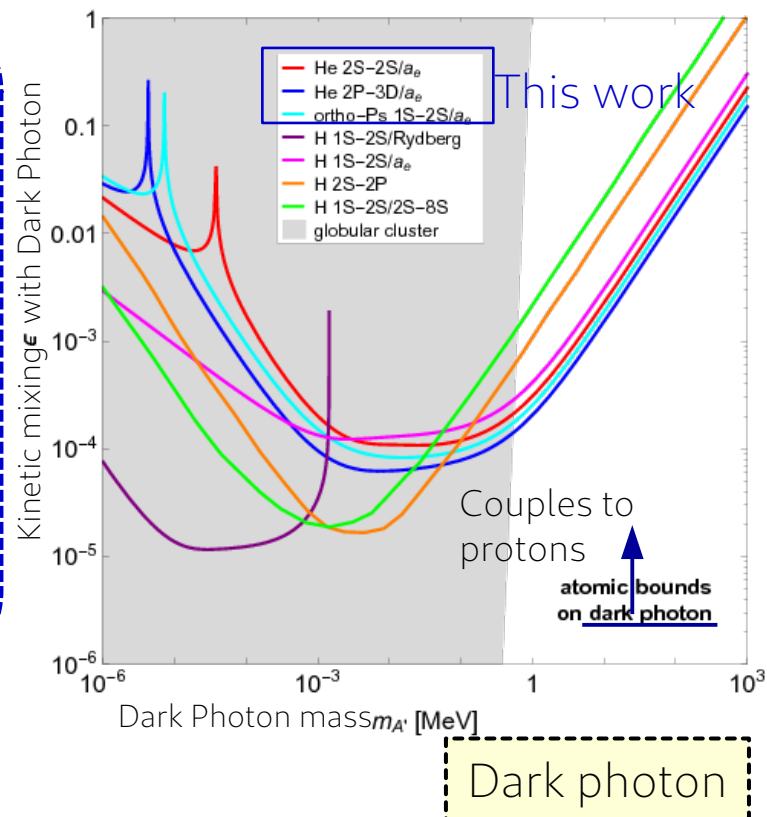
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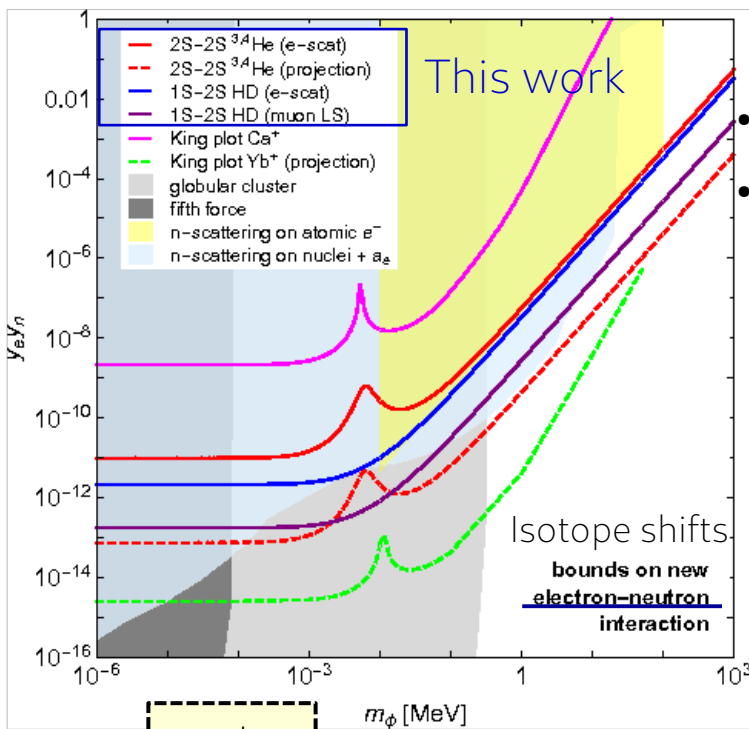
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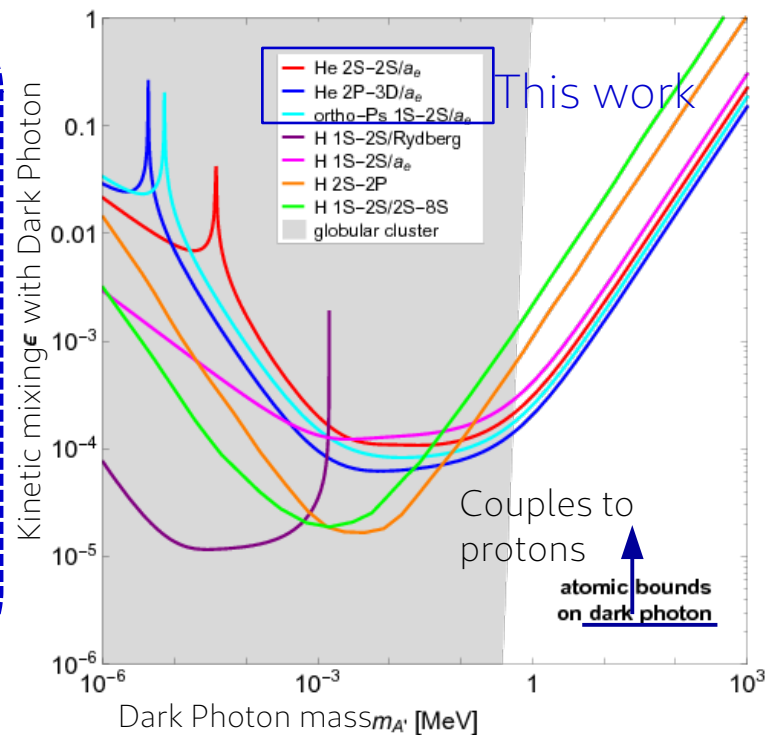


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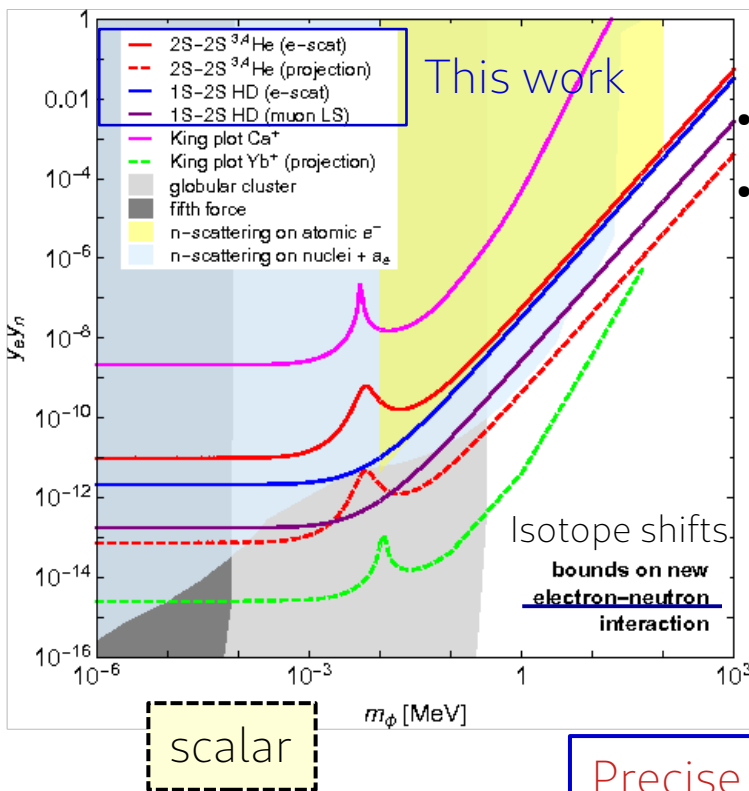
Precise frequencies and isotope shifts
→ complementary to King plot



Dark photon

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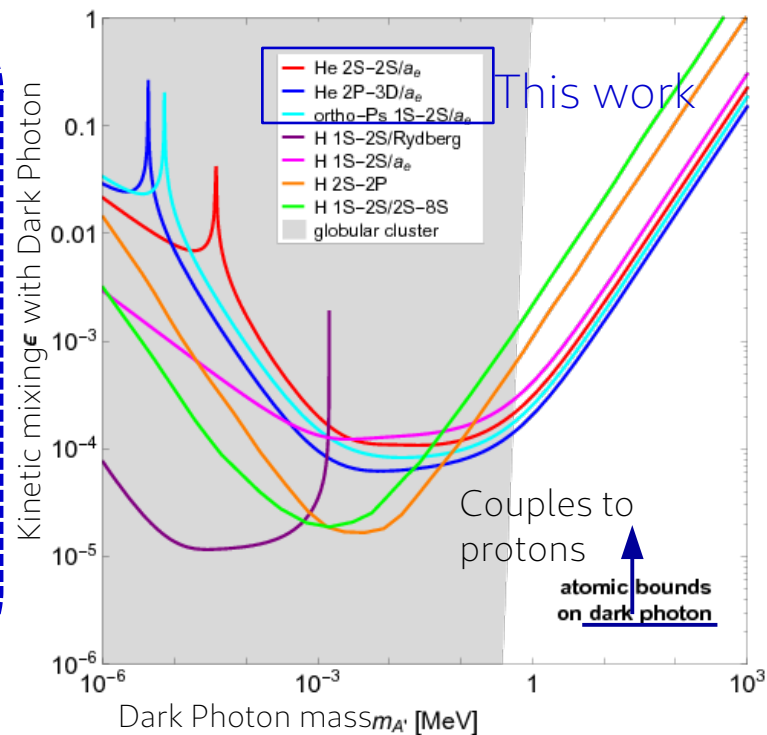
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 - Direct frequency: combine with (g-2), Rydberg or 2nd transition
- cf [Karshenboim '01, '10]
[Jaeckel, Roy '10]
[Pachucki, Patkos, Yerokhin '17]

Precise frequencies and isotope shifts
→ complementary to King plot



Dark photon

New Ca^+ Isotope Shift Measurements

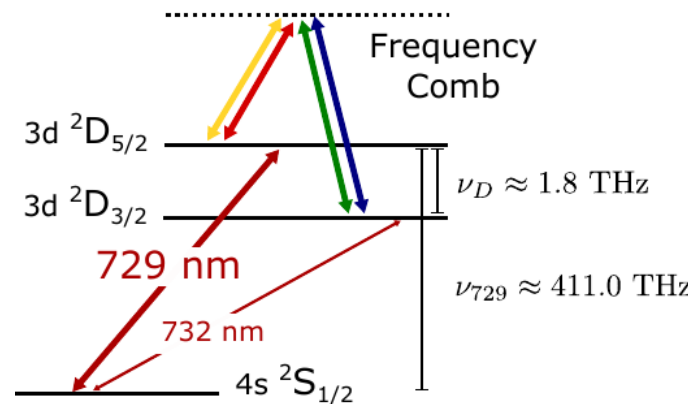
[Solaro, Meyer, Fisher, Berengut, EF, Drewsen, PRL 125, 123003 (2020)]

- Very precise measurement of **D-fine splitting** of Ca^+ at Aarhus (Denmark)

$D_{3/2} - D_{5/2}$ at 20 Hz \rightarrow precision $\sim 10^{-6}$

- $S - D_{5/2}$ at 2 kHz \rightarrow precision $\sim 10^{-7}$

[Knollmann, Patel, Doret, PRA 2019] $\sim 10^{-9}$



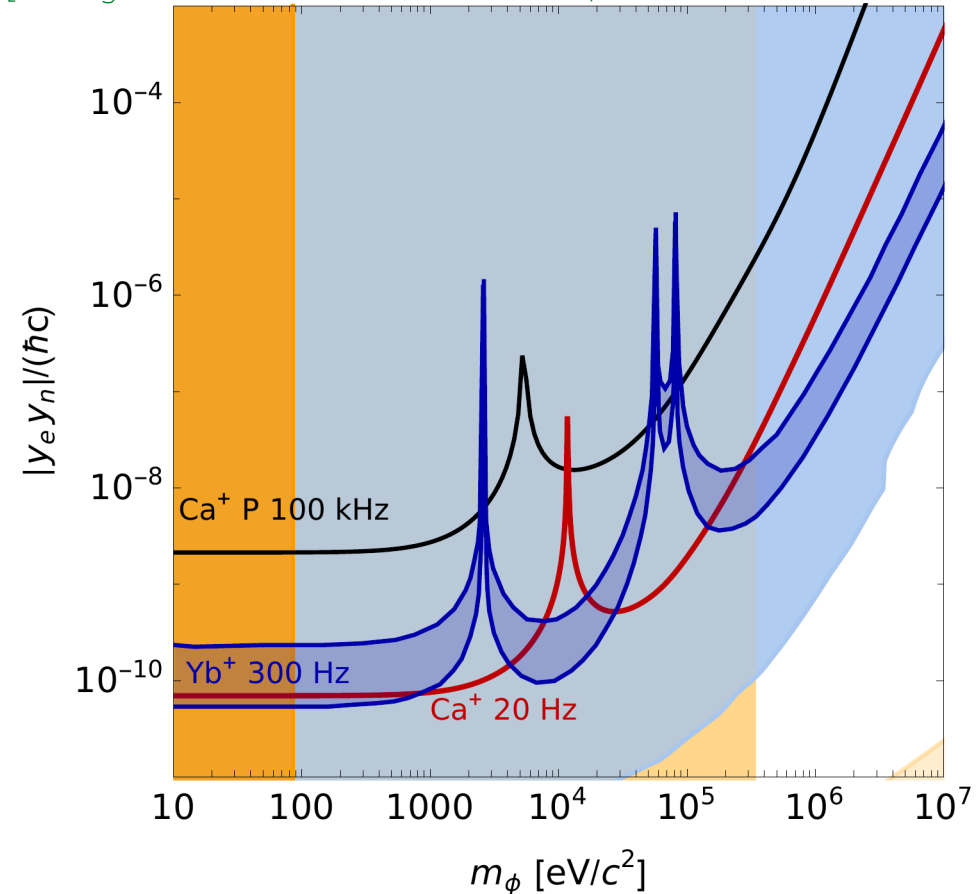
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5 isotopes measured: Ca 40, 42, 44, 46, 48
 \rightarrow 4 pairs, i.e. 1 more than required

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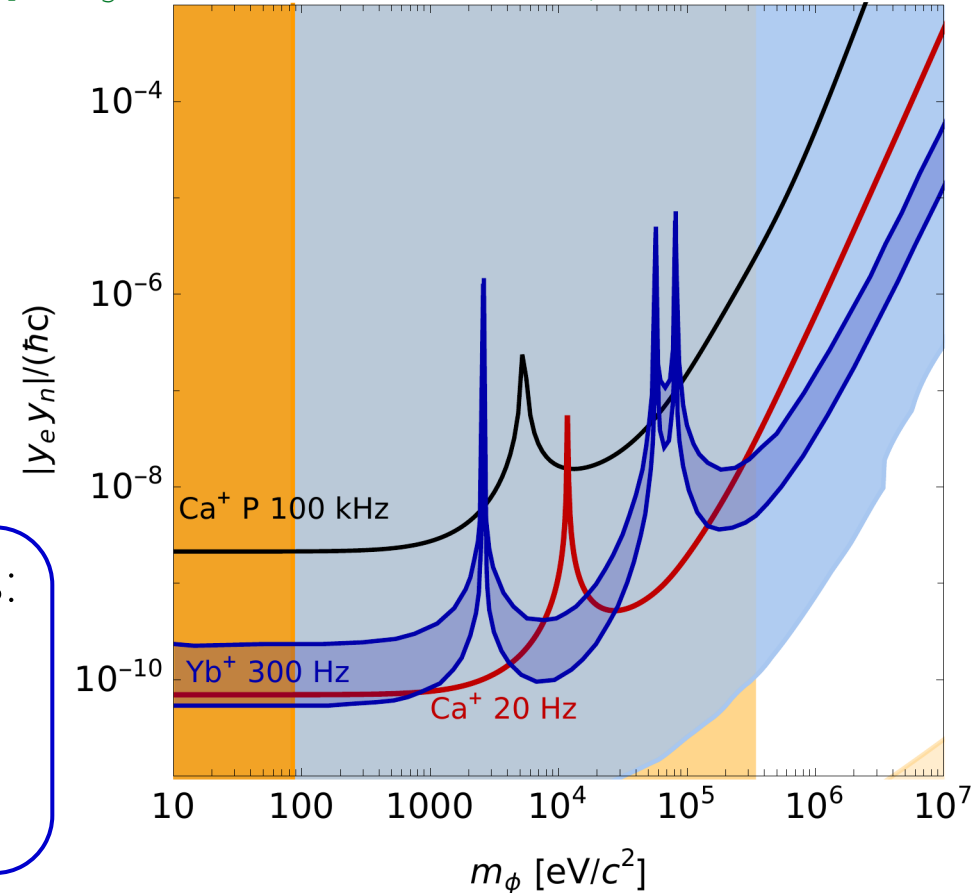
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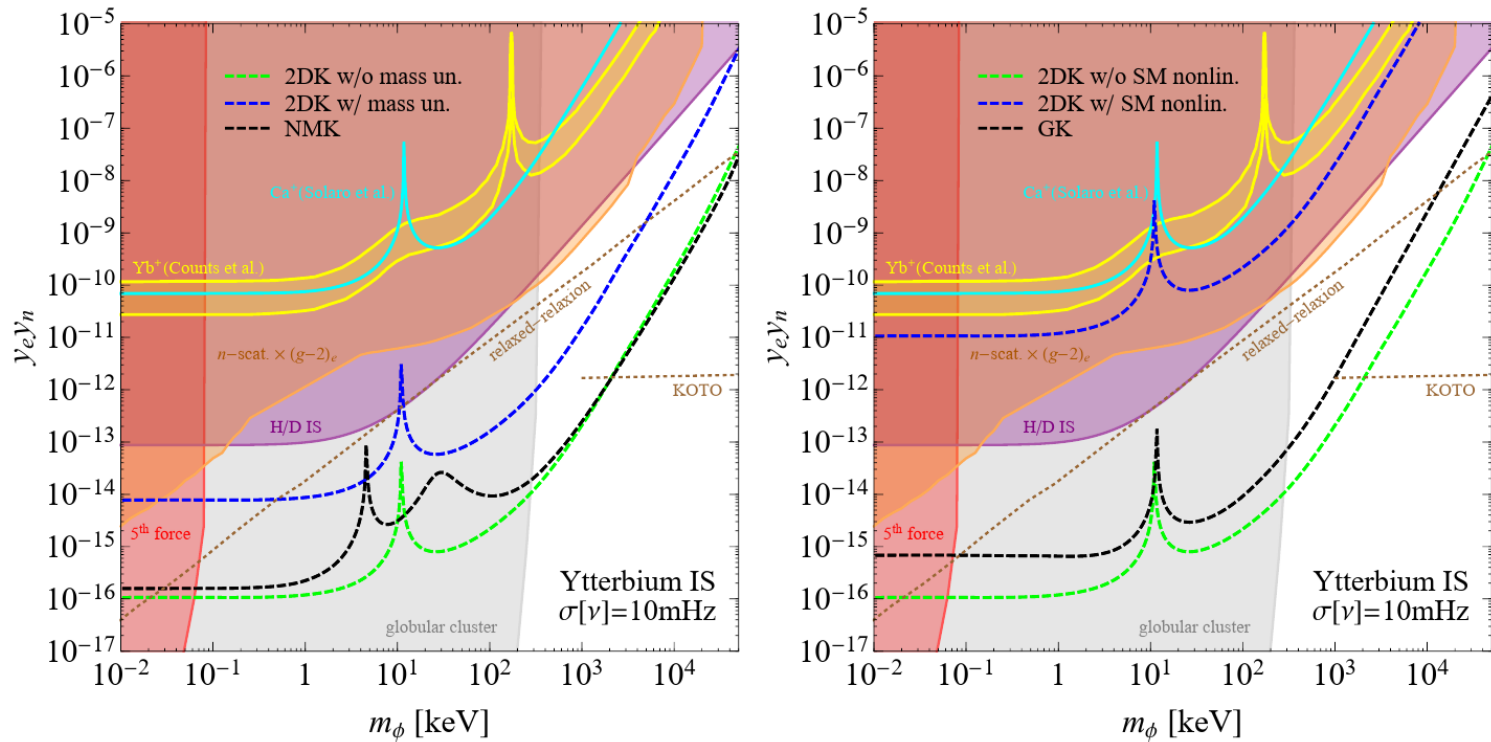
→ necessary coupling range is

- partly excluded by Ca
- excluded by $(g-2)_e$ * n-scattering

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Generalised King Plot



NP electronic overlap

Electronic NP coefficient: overlap of wavefunctions of initial and final states (a, b) with the NP (Yukawa) potential

Perturbative approximation:

$$X_i = \int d^3r \frac{e^{-m_\phi r}}{4\pi r} [|\Psi_b(r)|^2 - |\Psi_a(r)|^2]$$

Contact-Interaction + Multibody Perturbation Theory (CI+MBPT)

$$X_i = \frac{1}{A - Z} \left. \frac{d\epsilon_{ab}}{d\alpha_{\text{NP}}} \right|_{\alpha_{\text{NP}}=0}$$

Difference of energy levels as a function of α_{NP}

Atomic clock key figures

Characterize the performance of a clock by its relative frequency change

Goals: stable and accurate clock

$$f(t)/f_0 = 1 + \epsilon + y(t)$$

Accuracy

Stability

- Systematic uncertainty in clock frequency.
- Two types of shifts
 1. **Field shifts** e.g. Zeeman shift and black body shift
 2. **Motional shifts** e.g. Relativistic Doppler

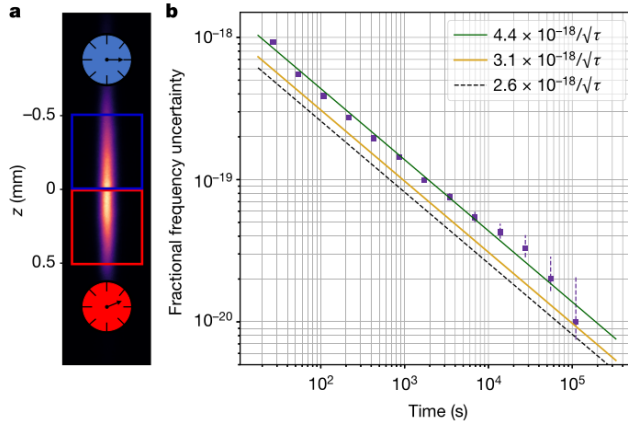
- Average fractional frequency variations
- Typically characterized by the *Allan deviation*:

$$\sigma_y(\tau) \cong \frac{1}{Q} \frac{1}{SNR} \sqrt{\frac{T_C}{\tau}}$$

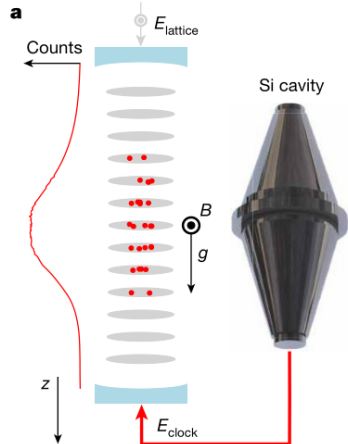
$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} = \frac{\langle \vec{v} \cdot \hat{k} \rangle}{c} - \frac{\langle v^2 \rangle}{2c^2} - \frac{\langle \vec{v} \cdot \hat{k} \rangle^2}{2c^2} + \dots$$

See D. Hume's [talk](#) at [ECFA](#) workshop '21

Sr lattice clock



- 1-dimensional Sr optical lattice clock: measured linear frequency gradient inside a single atomic sample to a relative uncertainty of phenomenal 7.6×10^{-21}
- 100,000 ultracold Sr atoms in an optical lattice
- narrow $S_0 \rightarrow P_0$ transition
- magic trap depth \rightarrow suppress collisional shifts
- fundamental to achieve this precision: the record coherence time of 37s
- frequency comparison within one sample: 2 uncorrelated subregions separated by a mm
- Test gravitational time dilation at mm scale.



Noise

- Quantum projection noise:

- Discrete measurement outcomes 0,1 with probabilities p , $(1-p)$

- Experiment repeated N times \rightarrow

- Variance of binomial distribution

$$p = \frac{N_1}{N}$$
$$\sigma_{p,\text{quantum}}^2 = \frac{1}{N} p(1-p).$$

- Decoherence

- Decoherence & relaxation \rightarrow random transitions

- \rightarrow reduced probability $\delta p_{\text{obs}}(t) = \delta p(t) e^{-\chi(t)},$

$$\chi(t) = (\Gamma t)^a,$$

- Decoherence time/ decay rate $\Gamma = T_{\chi}^{-1} \rightarrow$ max. sensing time

Entanglement

Goal: enhance the measurement precision by quantum properties

Standard Quantum Limit: measurement uncertainty from the Heisenberg principle
→ reduced for large number of atoms as $\delta_{\text{SQL}} \propto N_{\text{atom}}^{-1/2}$

Heisenberg limit: fundamental limit

$$\delta_{\text{Heisenberg}} \propto N_{\text{entangled}}^{-1/2} N_{\text{atom}}^{-1/2} \longrightarrow N_{\text{atom}}^{-1}$$

Best if all atoms entangled!

Already used:

e.g. spectroscopy of entangled Sr isotopes [Ozeri et al, PRL '19]

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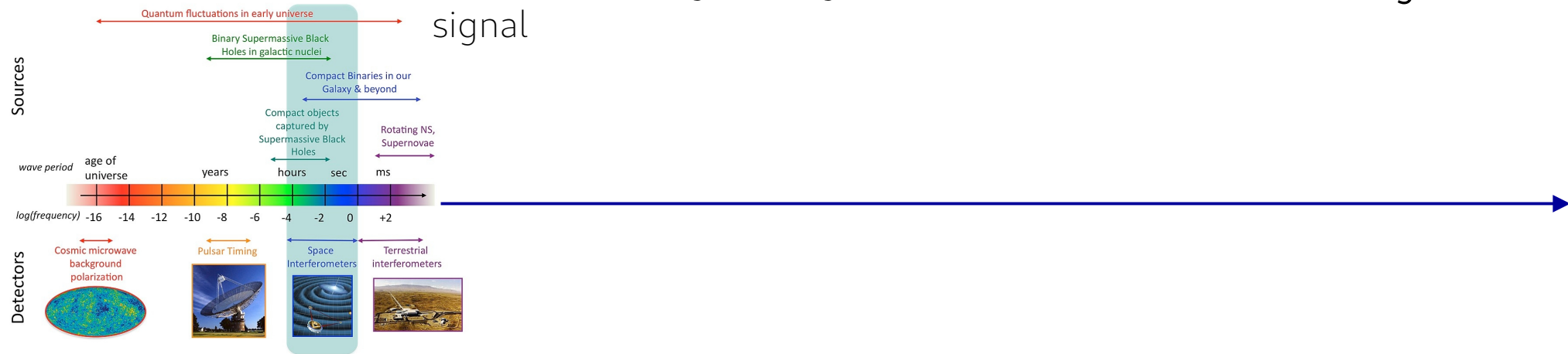


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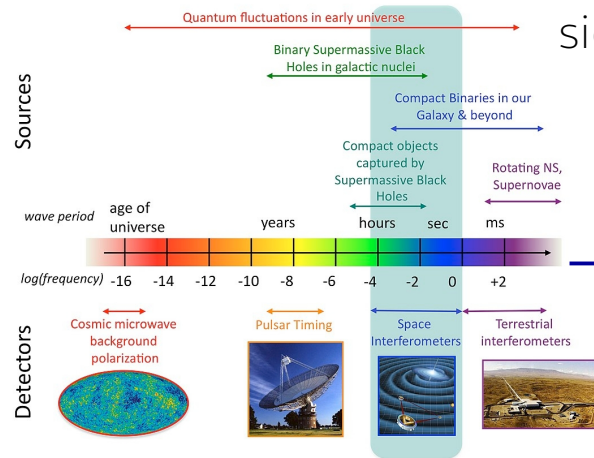
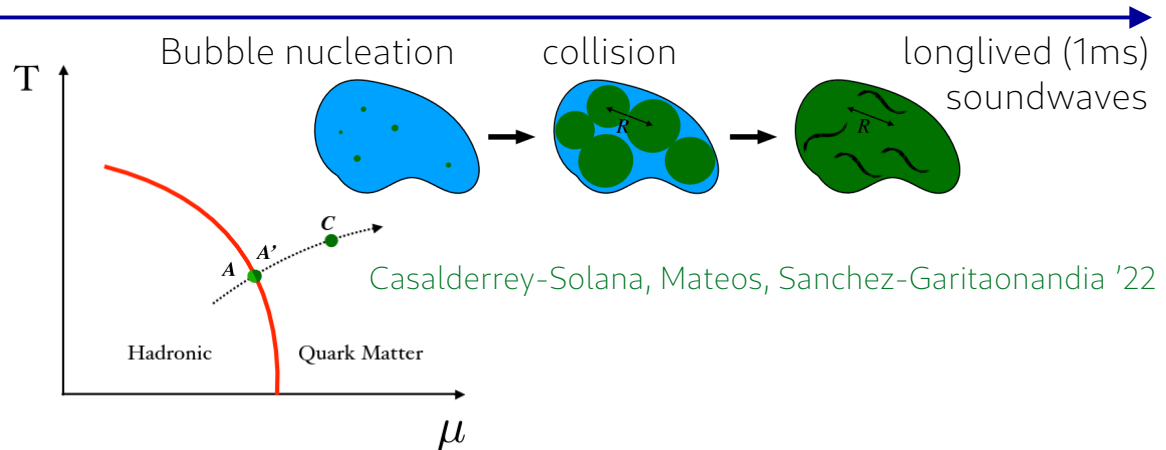


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Casalderrey-Solana, Mateos, Sanchez-Garitaonandia '22

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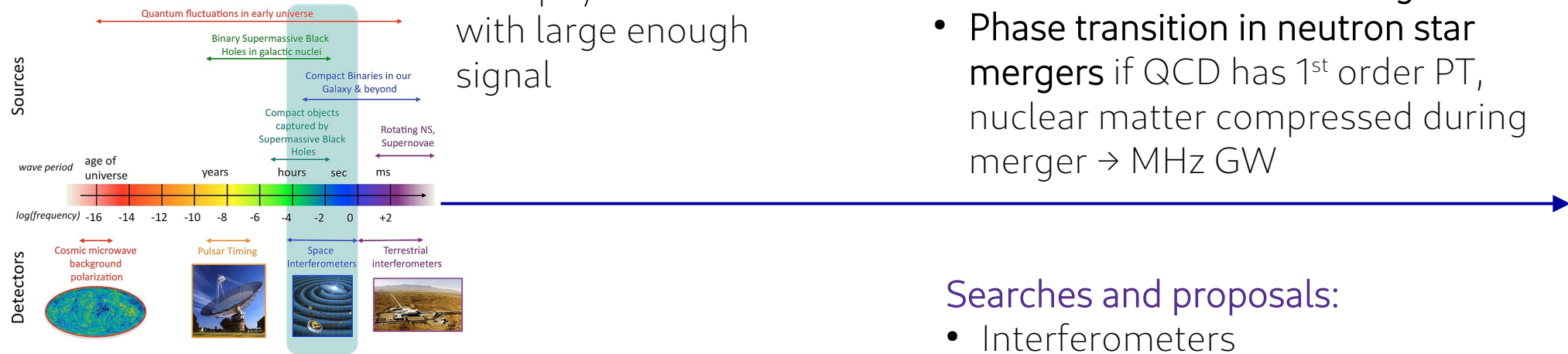


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Searches and proposals:

- Interferometers
- Levitated sensors
- Radio cavities

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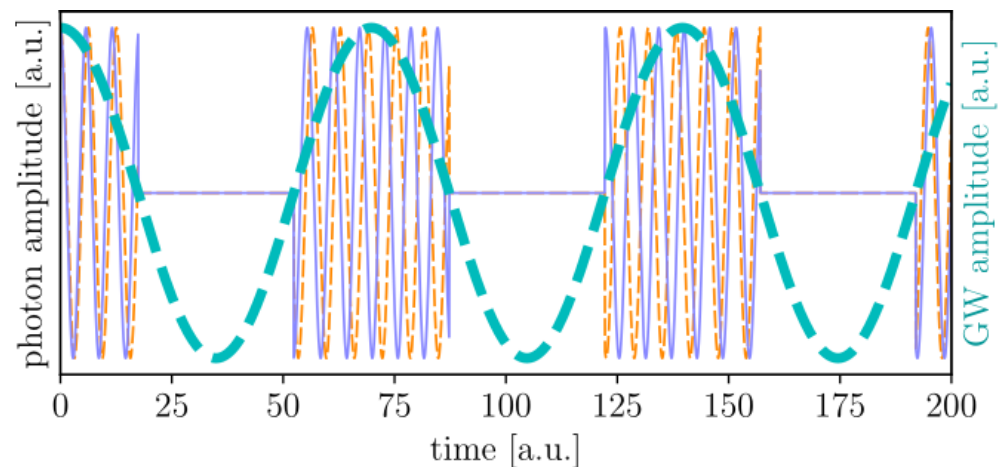
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→ generic implication for detector design:

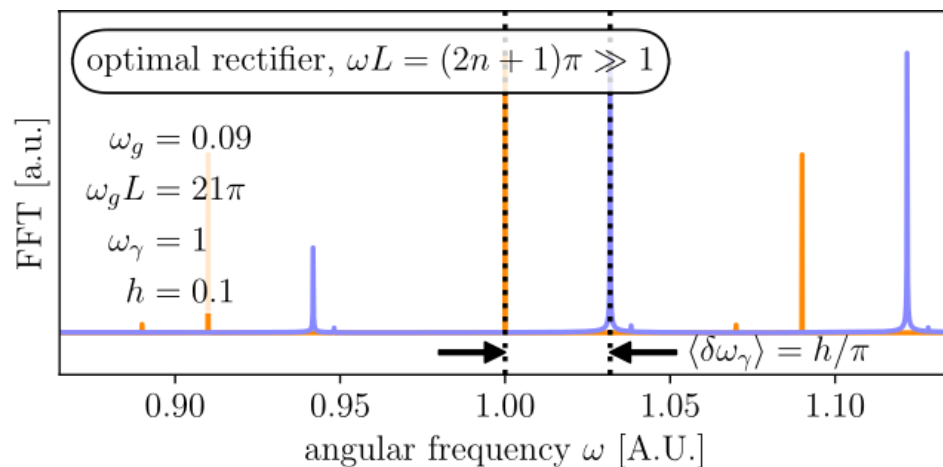
this equation is not directly applicable for $\omega_g L \gg v_s$

Rectifier: large ωL

Pass if $\sin[\varphi_0 + \pi/2] > 0$



$$\langle \delta \omega_\gamma \rangle = h/\pi$$



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