

WISPy Cold Dark Matter

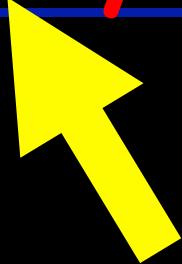


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Weakly interacting sub-eV particle

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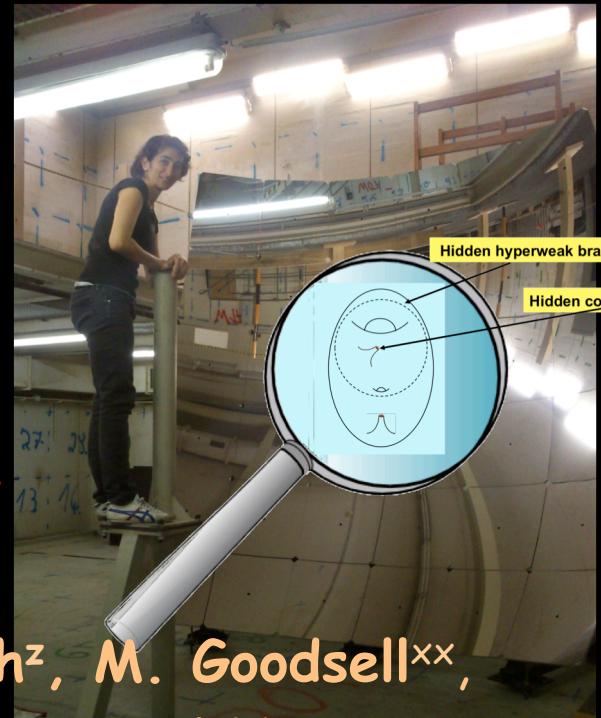
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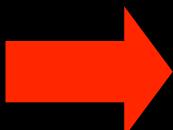
Example WISP:
Axions in a nutshell

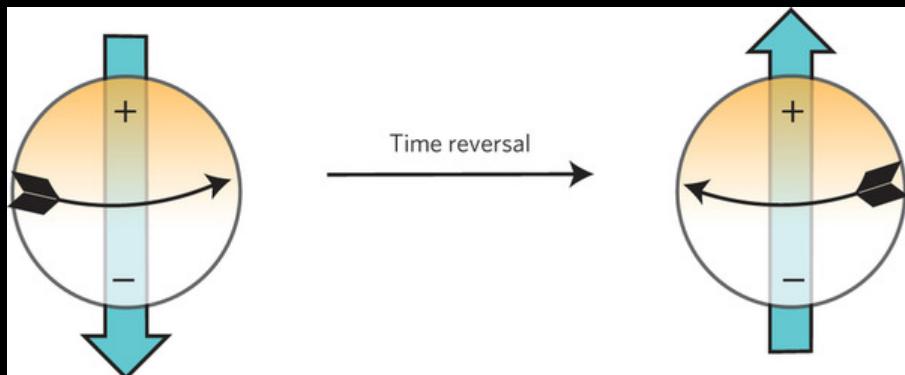
A dirty little secret...

$$S = \int d^4x \left[-\frac{1}{4}G^{\mu\nu}G_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\theta}{4}G^{\mu\nu}\tilde{G}_{\mu\nu} + i\bar{\psi}D_\mu\gamma^\mu\psi + \bar{\psi}M\psi \right]$$

" $\sim \theta \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}$ "

- The θ -term violates time reversal ($T=CP$)!
- Connected to strong interactions!

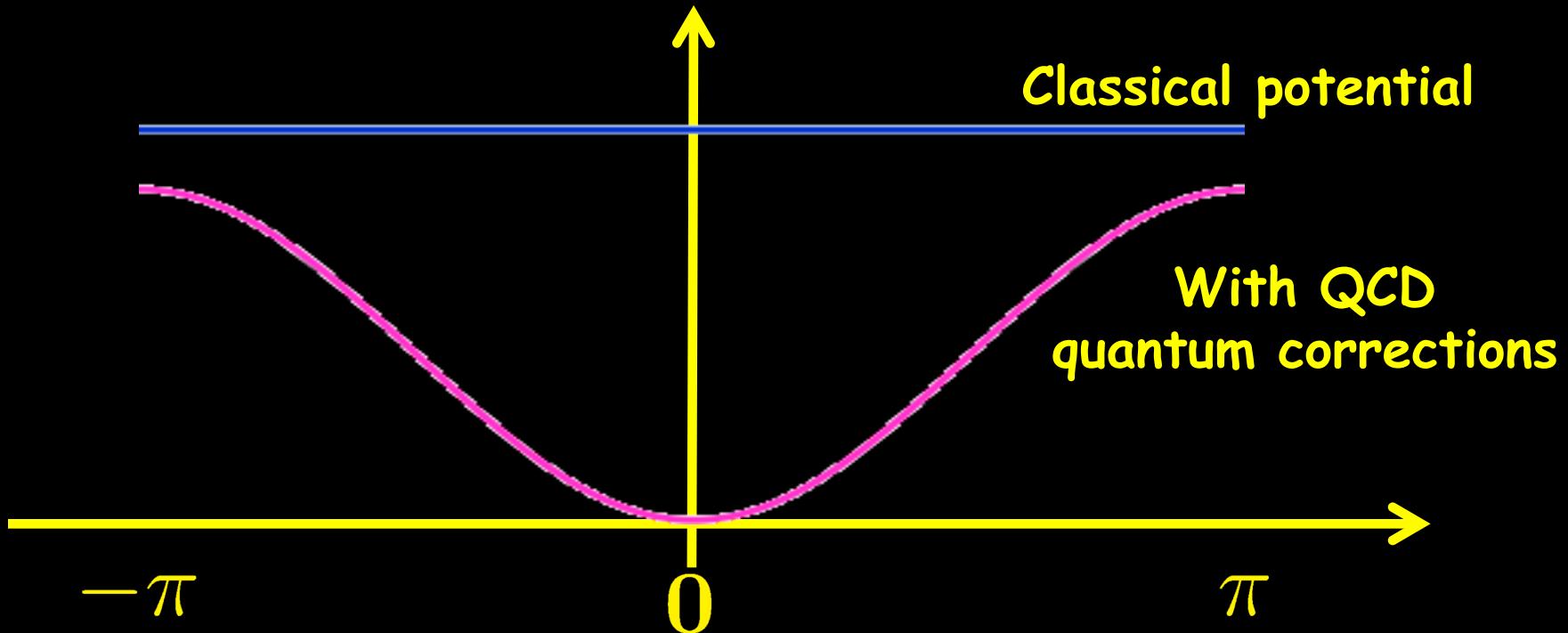
 **Electric dipole moment
of the neutron!**



Not found
 $\theta \sim 0!!!$

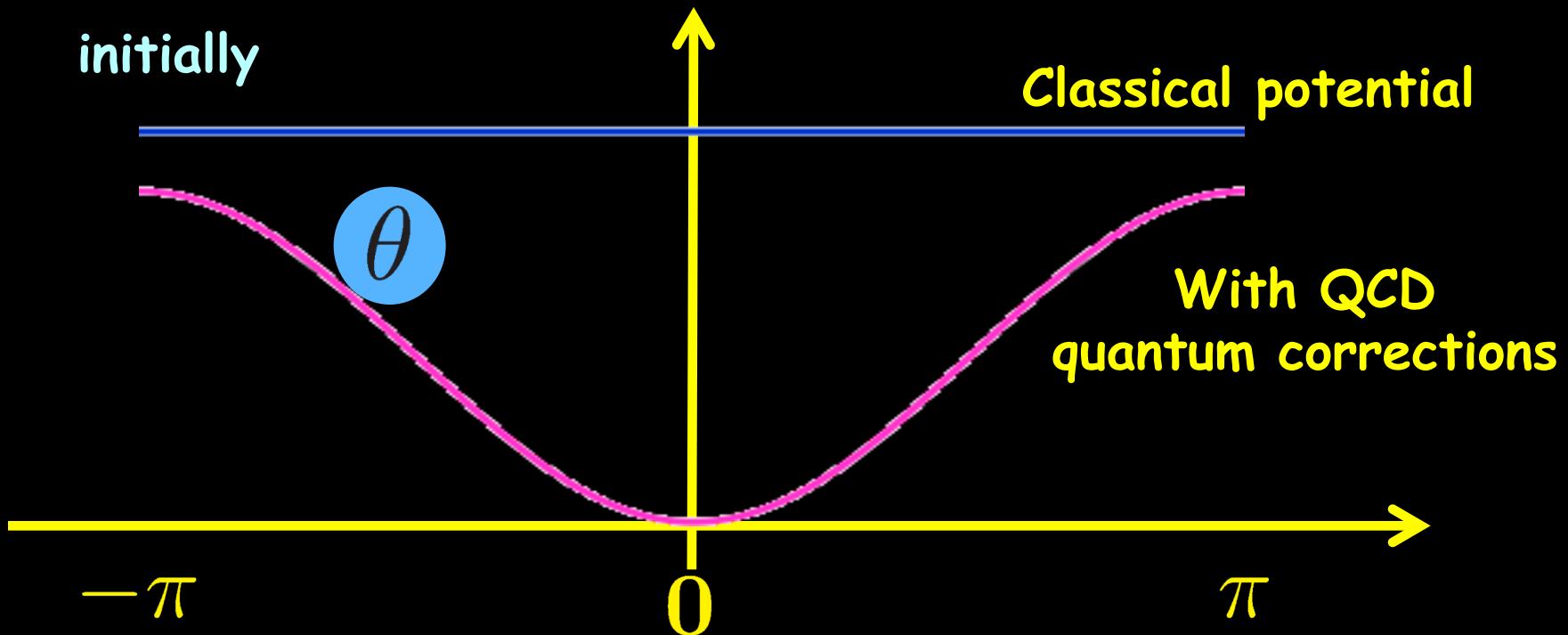
The axion solution to the strong CP problem

- Make θ dynamical \rightarrow it can change its value



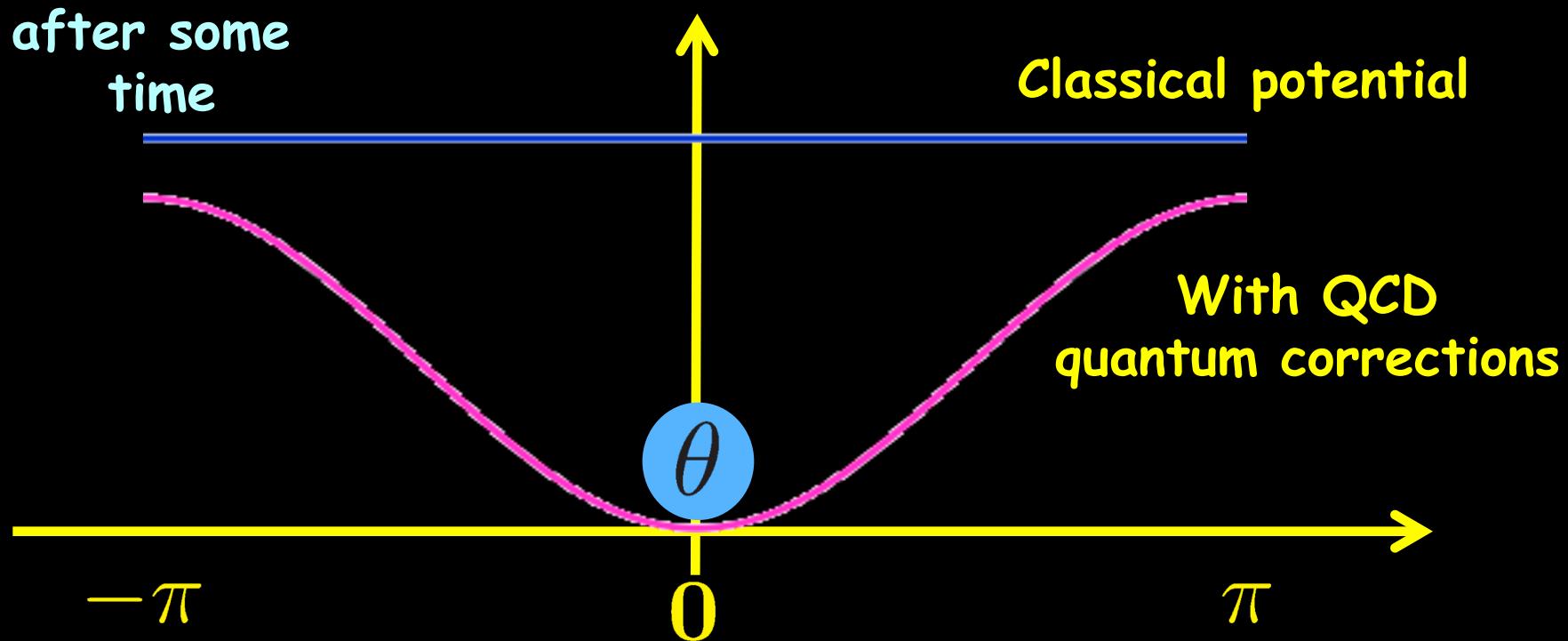
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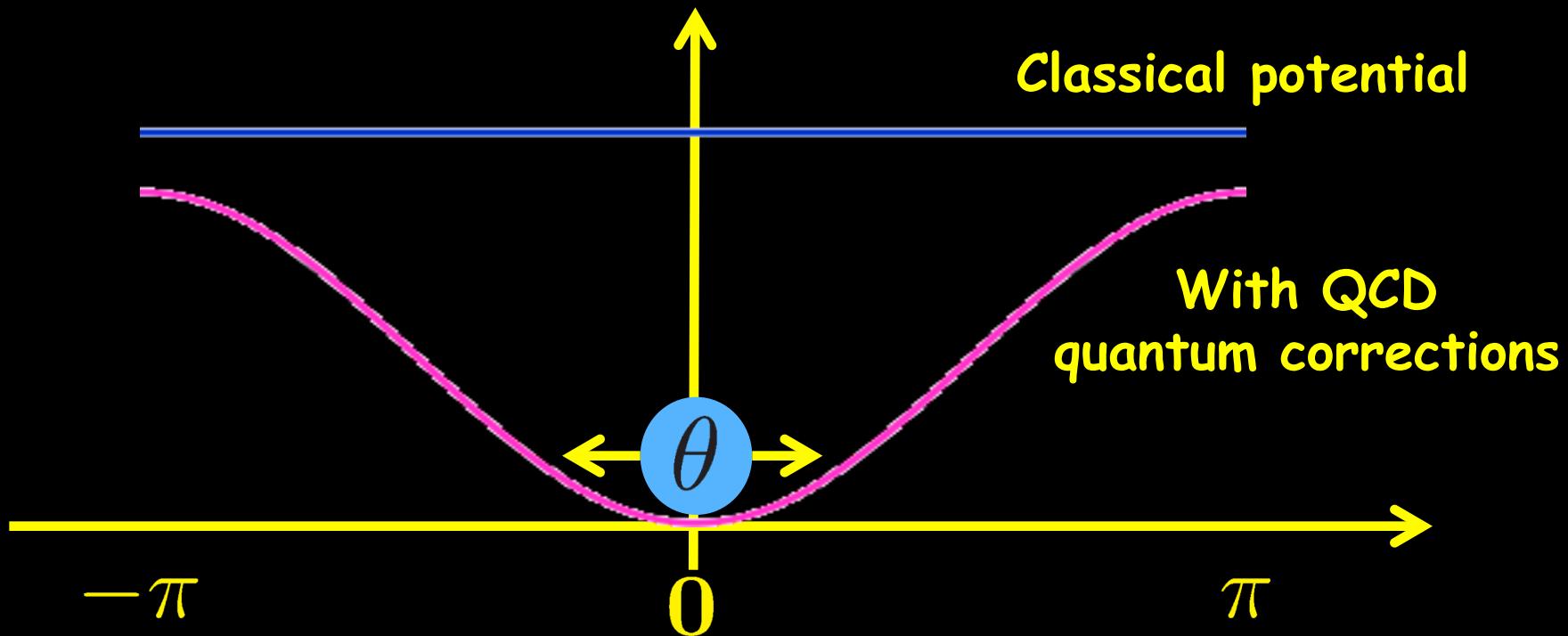
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\rightarrow QCD likes to be CP conserving (if we allow it)

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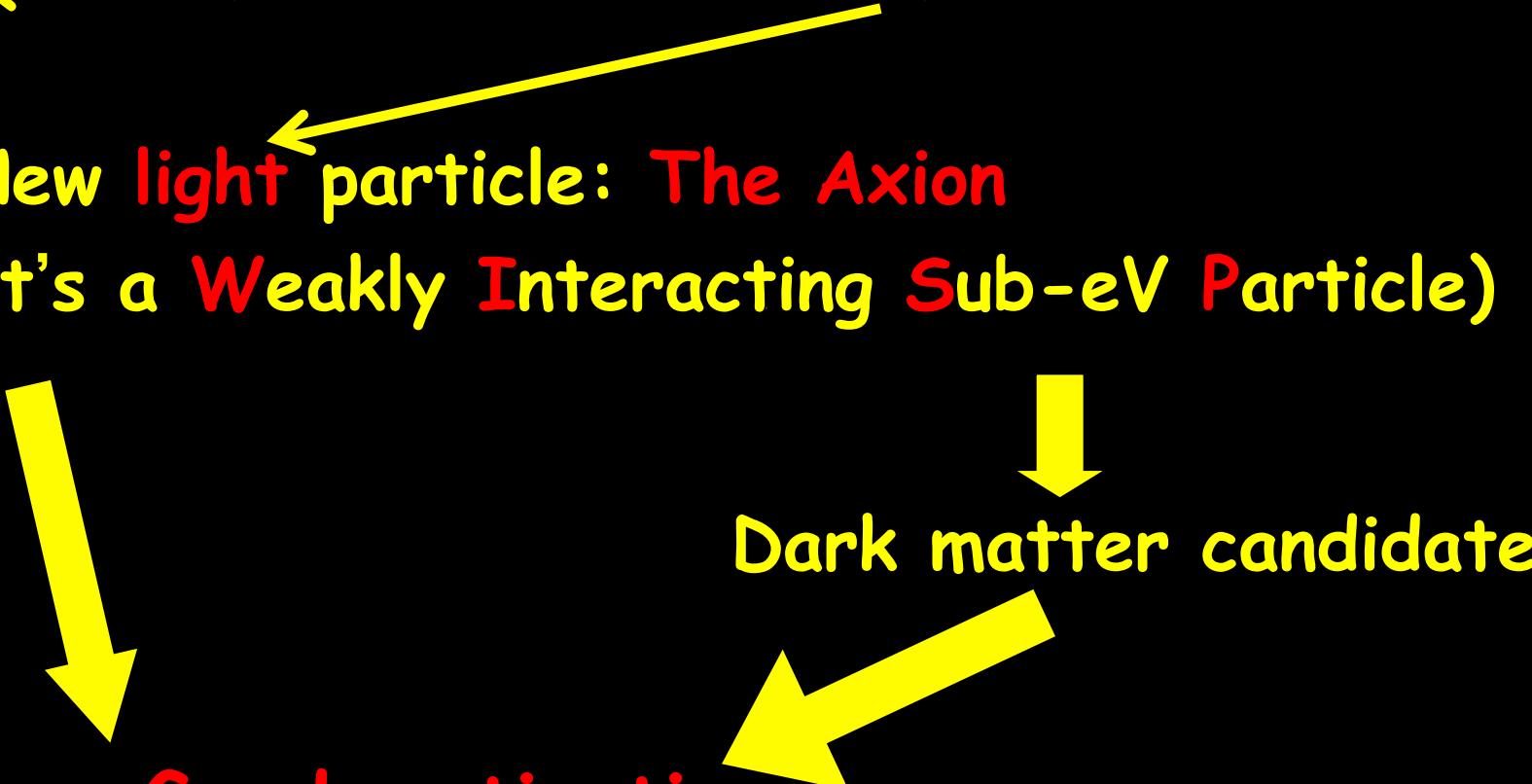
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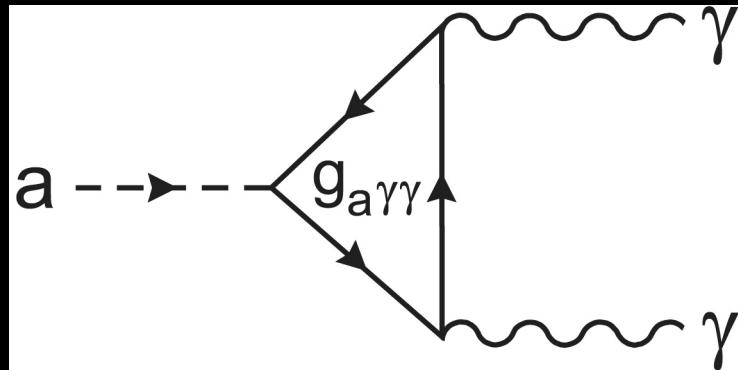
\rightarrow Can still move

\rightarrow new particle = axion

Axions

- Classical flatness from symmetry
 - Quantum corrections are small
 - New light particle: The Axion
(it's a Weakly Interacting Sub-eV Particle)
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- Good motivation
for axion/WISP experiments
- Dark matter candidate

Axion couples to two photons



$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu a\partial^\mu a - \frac{1}{2}m^2a^2 - \frac{1}{4}g_{a\gamma\gamma}aF^{\mu\nu}\tilde{F}_{\mu\nu} + \dots$$

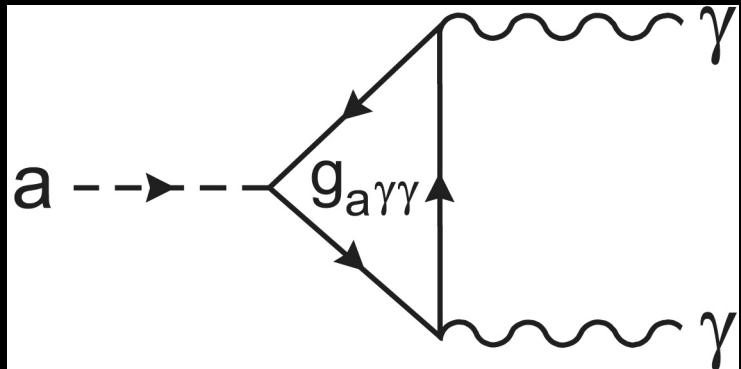


Coupling to two photons

Very very weak $g_{a\gamma\gamma} \sim \frac{\alpha}{2\pi f_a}$

Because: Very large 

Axion is very light



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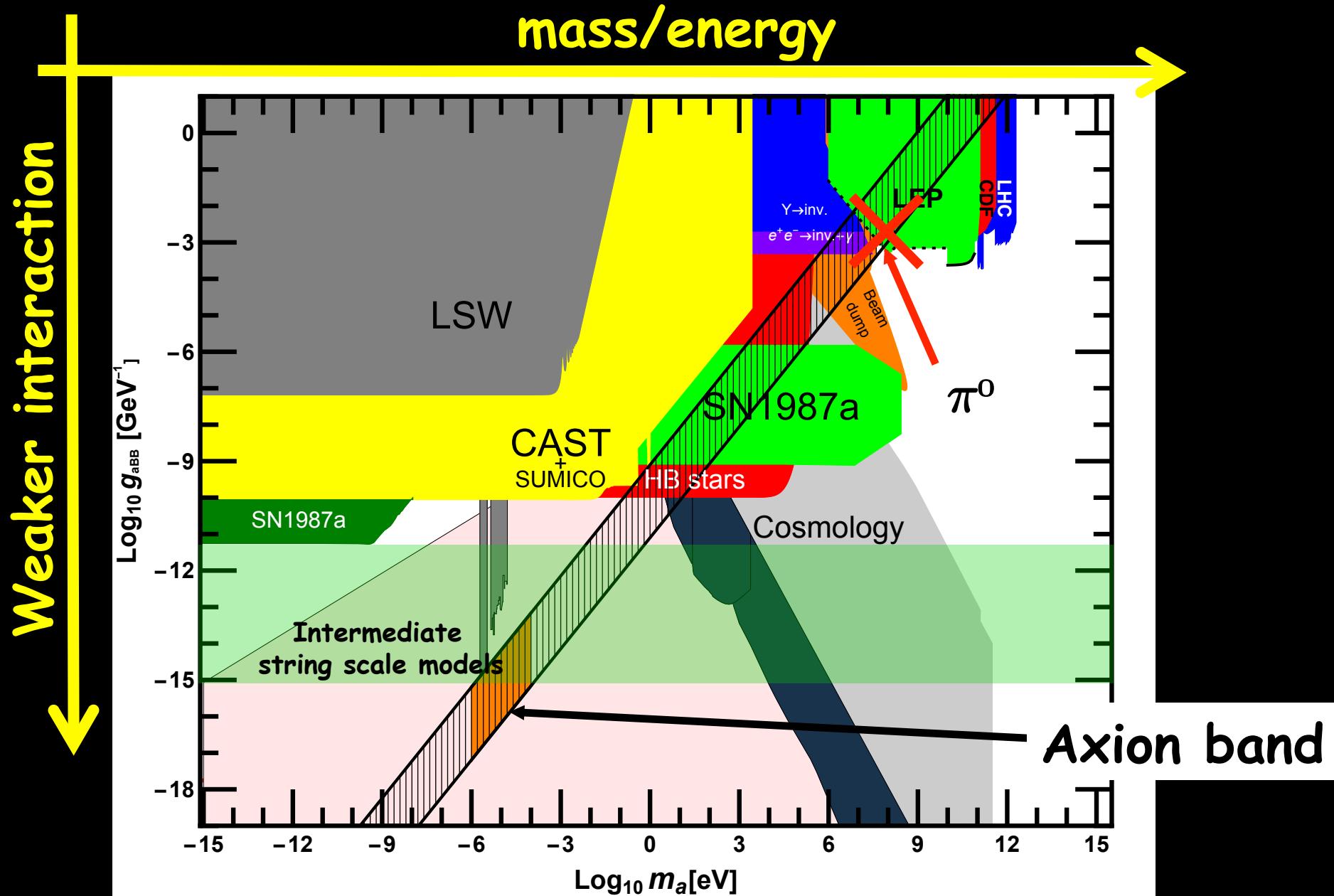

Mass

Very very small

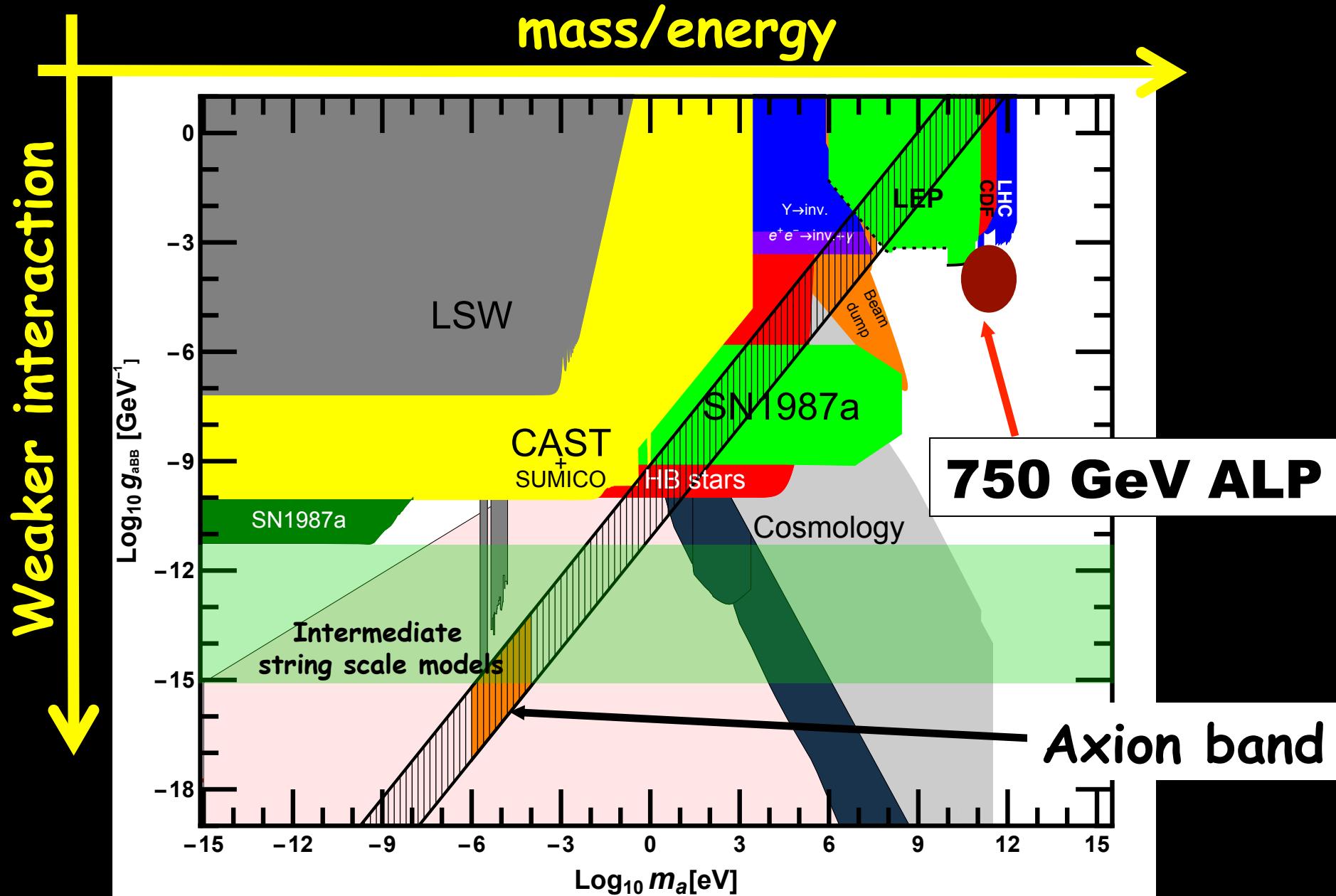
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$$m \sim \frac{m_\pi^2}{f_a}$$

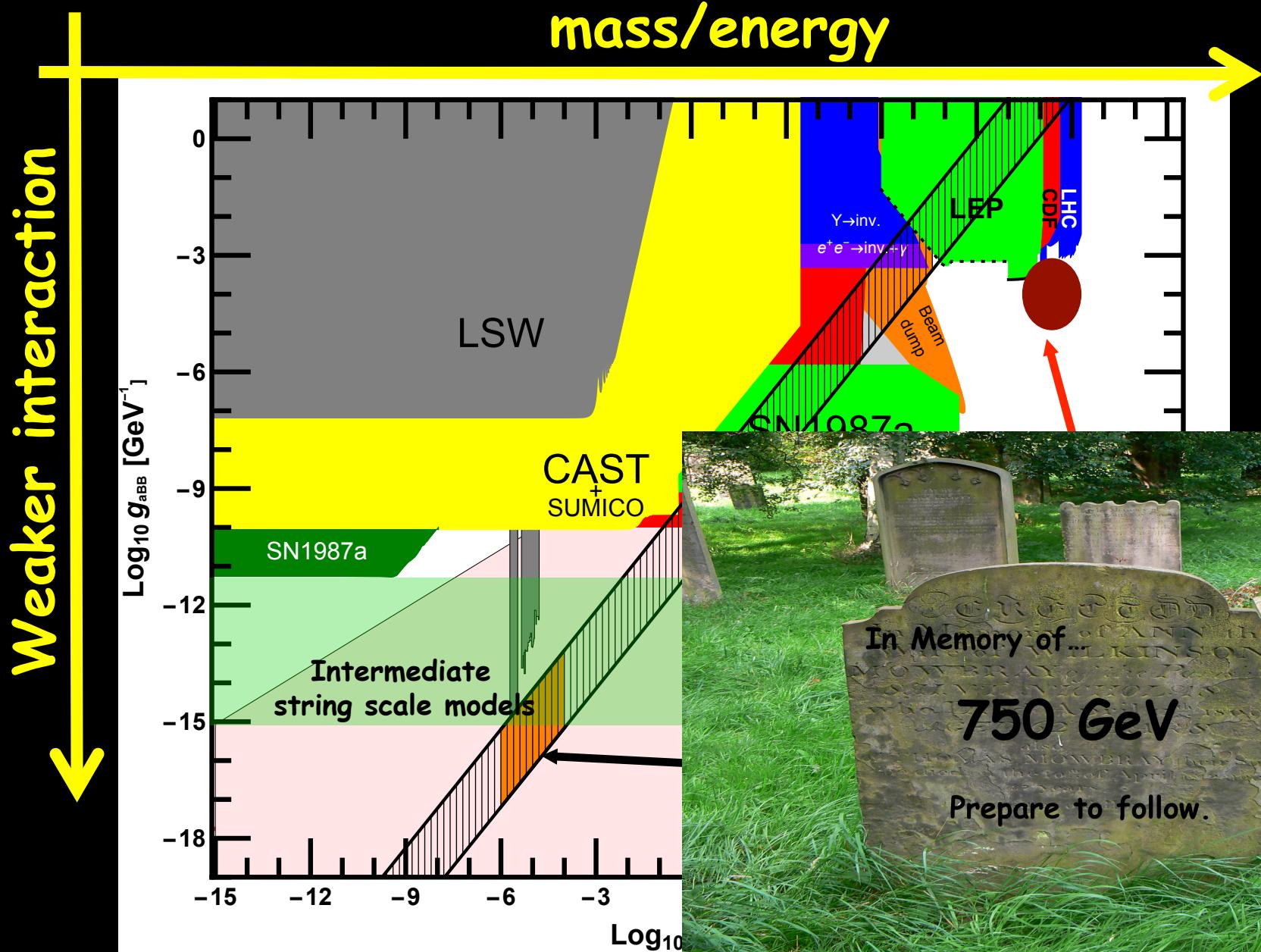
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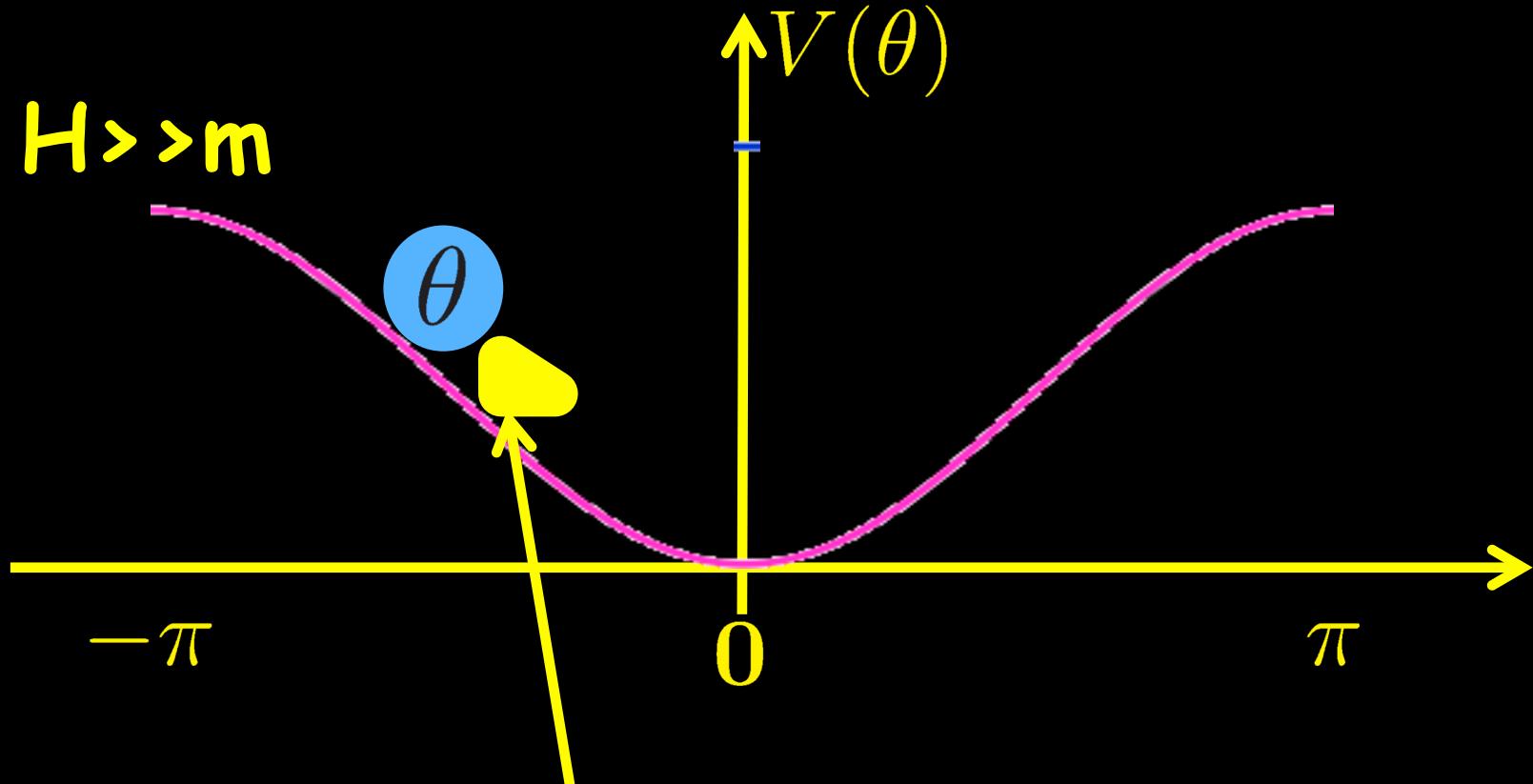


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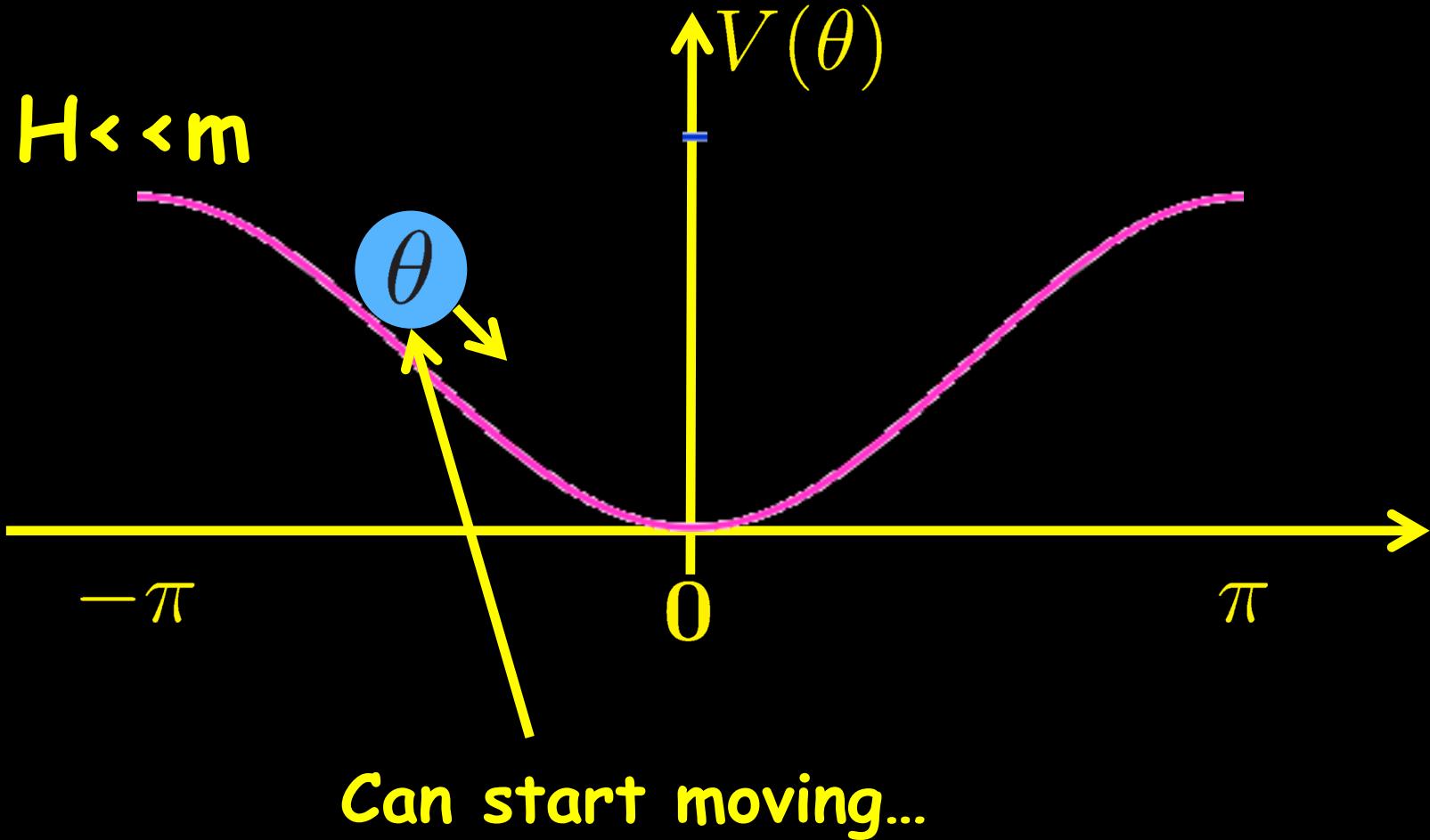
Dark Matter(s)

The axion has no clue where to start

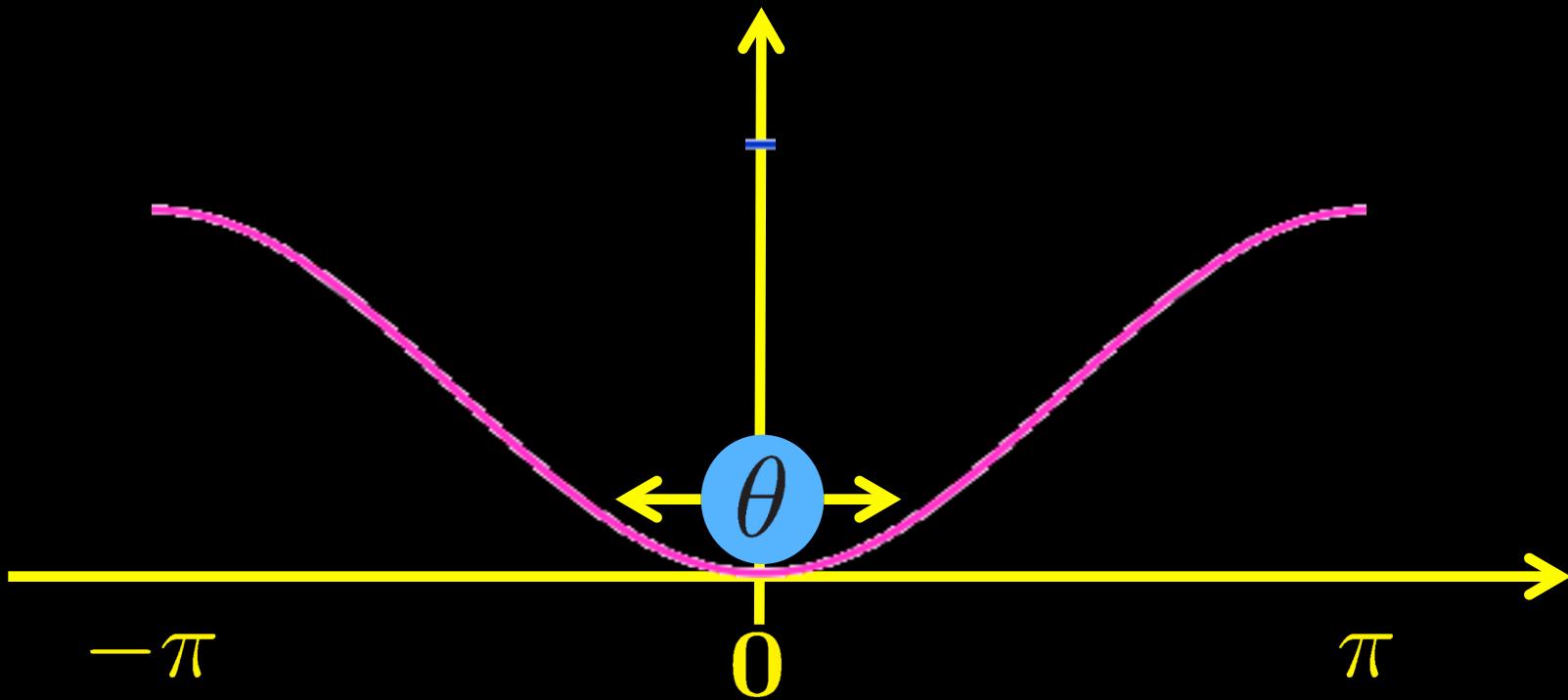


Field is stuck because of Hubble “breaking”

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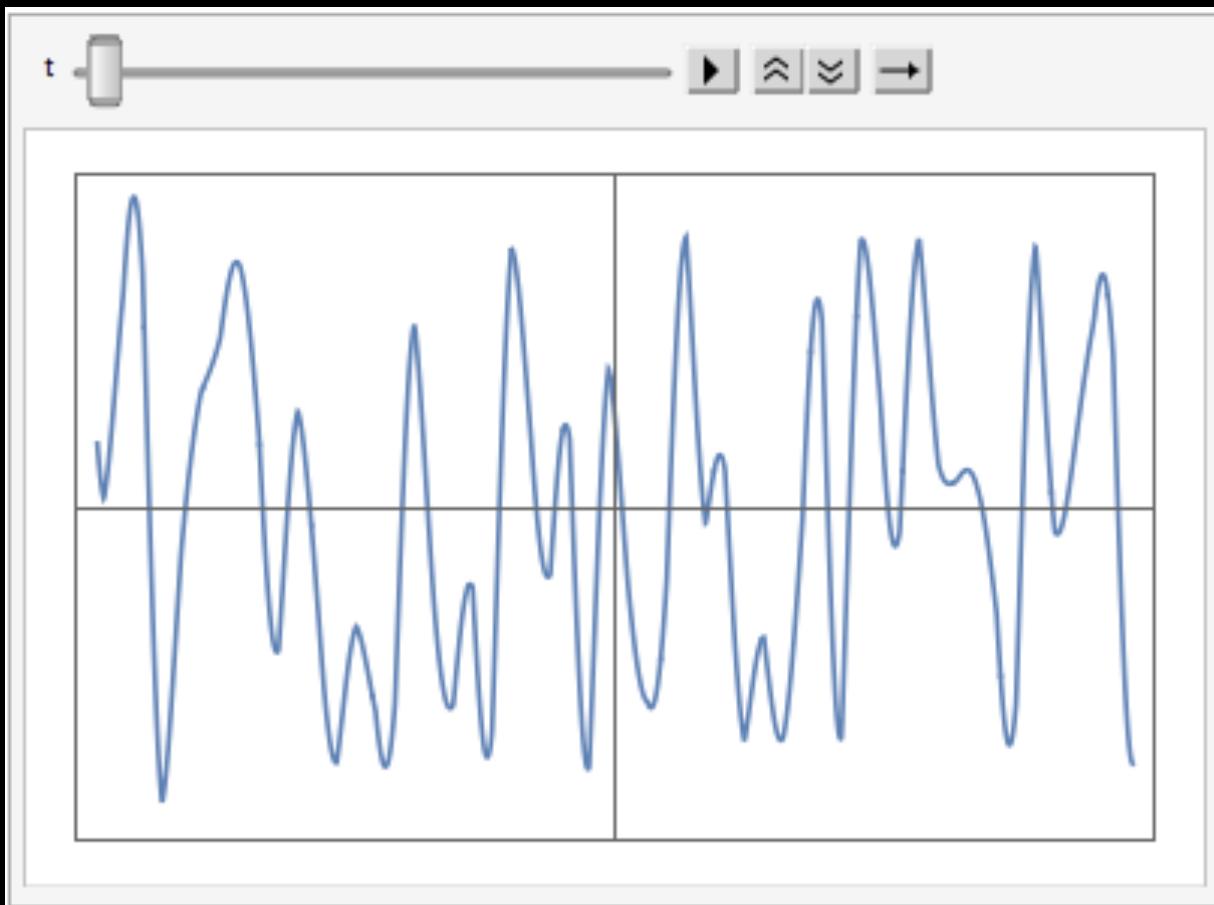
The axion solution to the strong CP problem



- Oscillations contain energy
- behave like non-relativistic particles ($T=0$)

Why Cold? Inflation!

Field
value

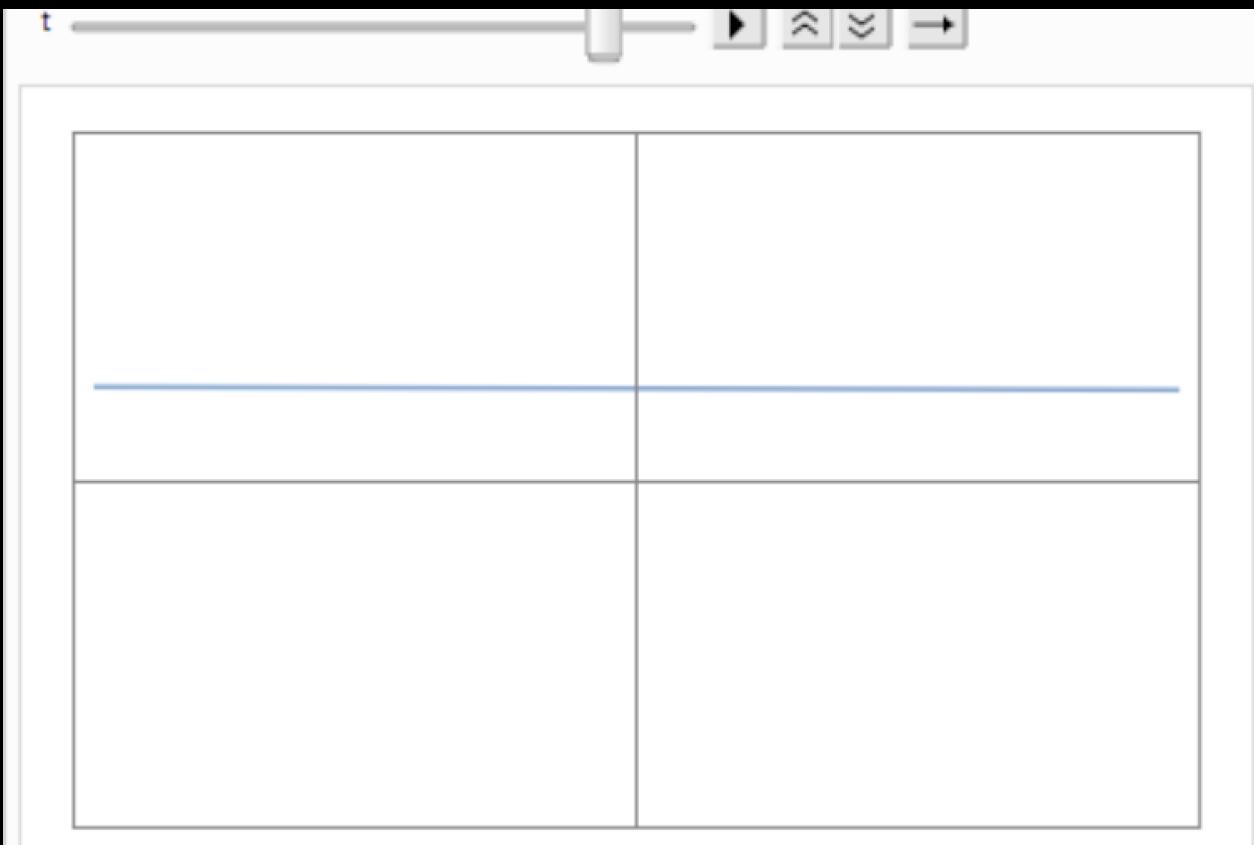


space

$$velocity \sim \frac{p}{m} \sim \frac{\hbar}{m} \frac{d}{dx} \rightarrow 0$$

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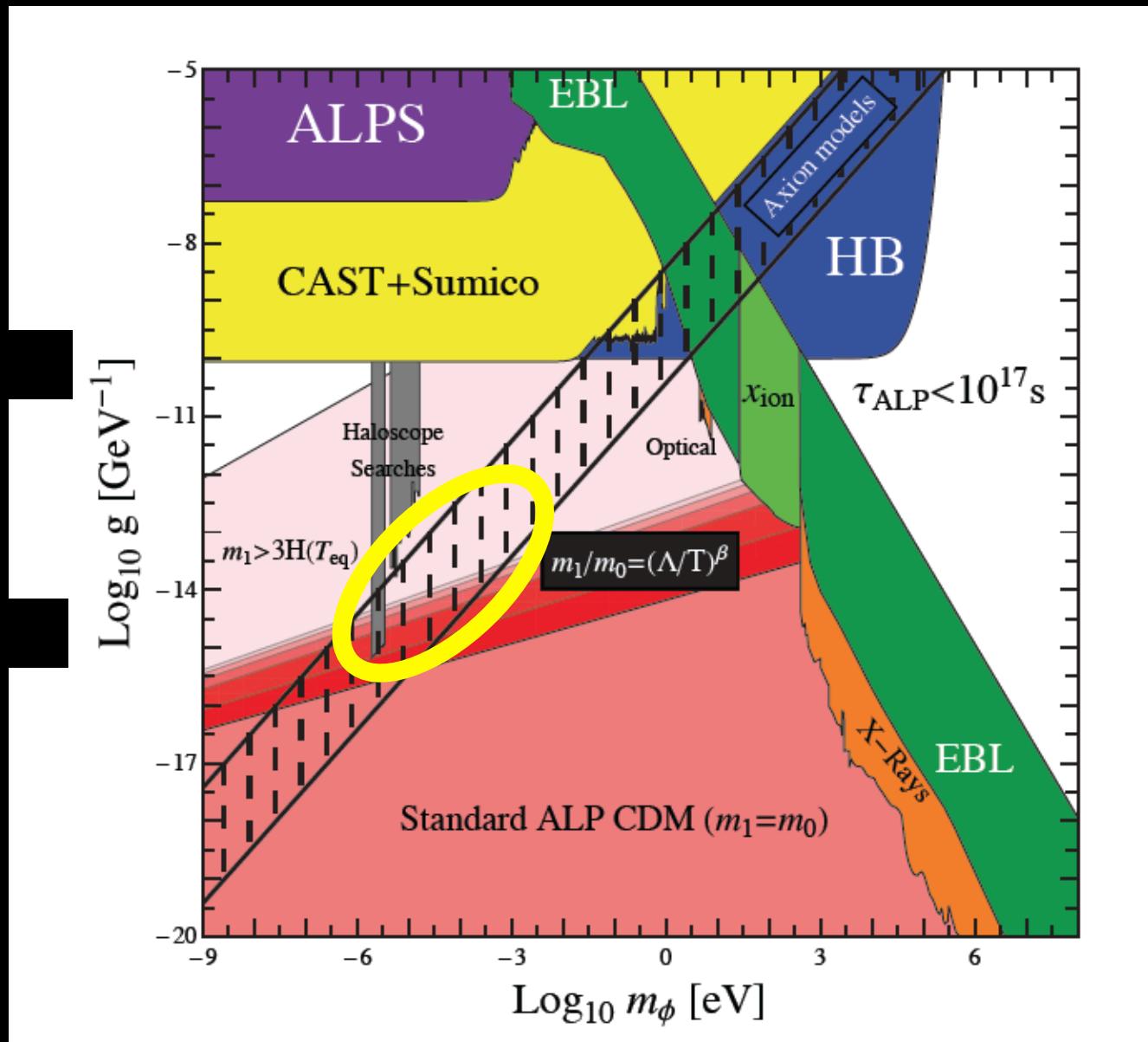


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Axion(-like particle) Dark Matter

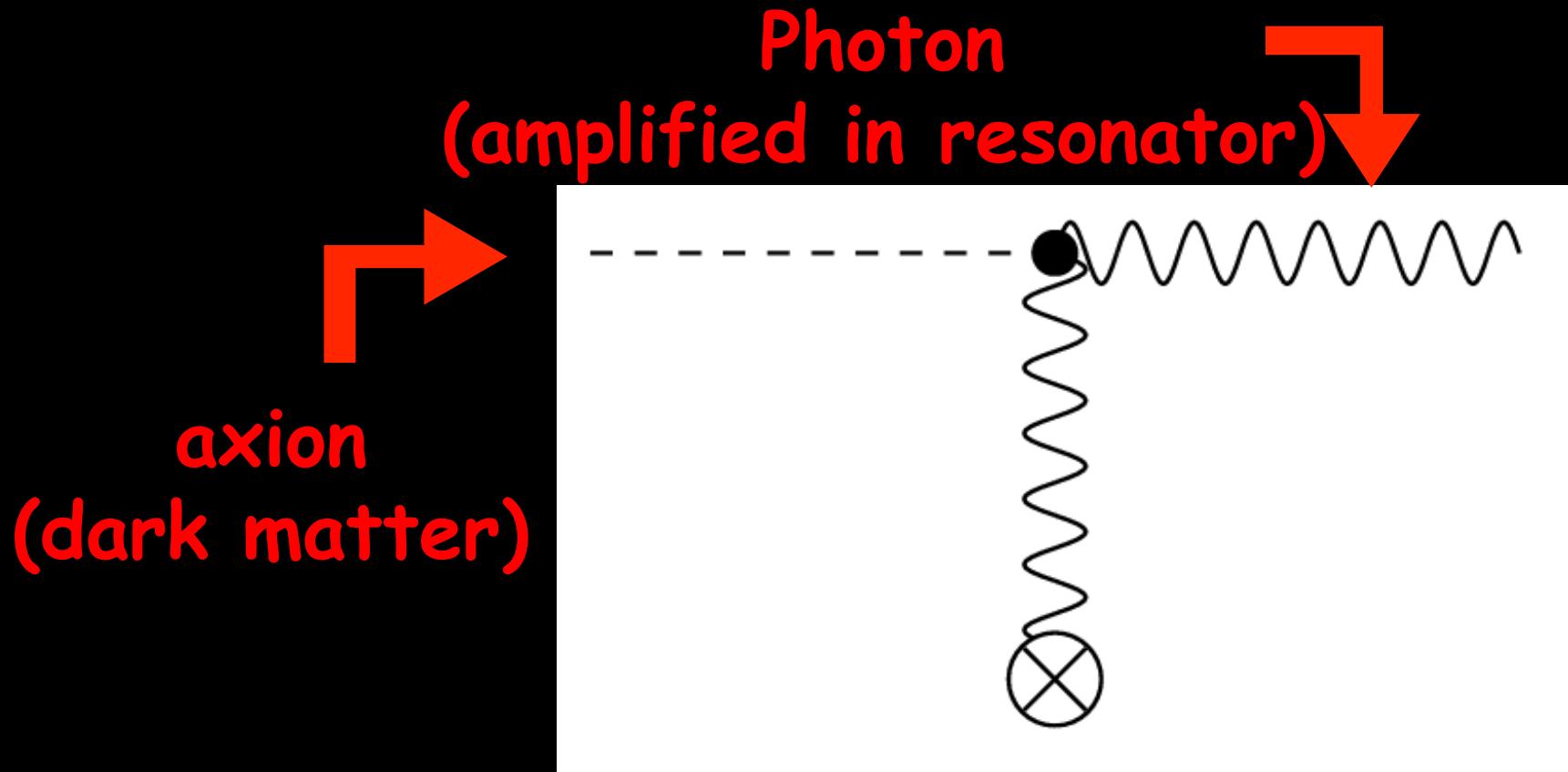
$\sim 10^7 \text{ GeV}$
 $\sim 10^{12} \text{ GeV}$



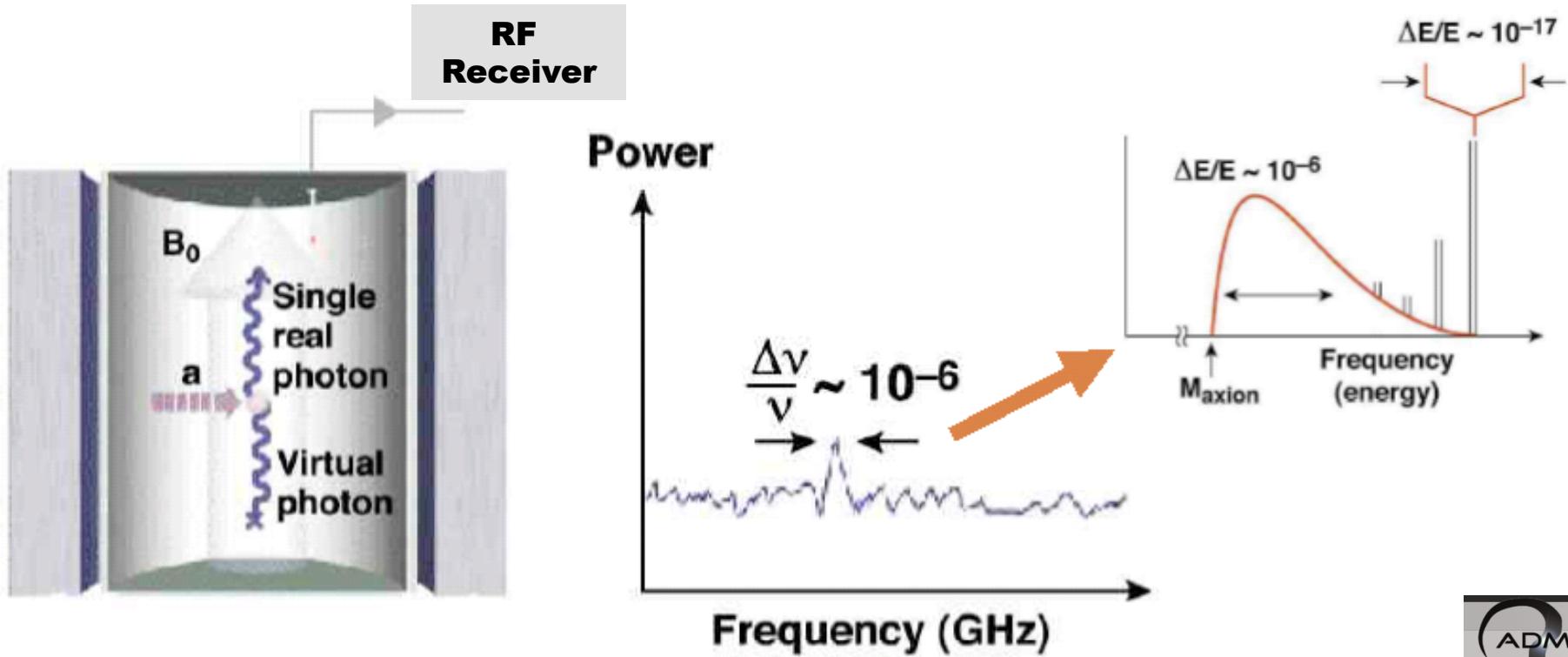
Detecting WISPy
DM

Use a plentiful source of axions

- Photon Regeneration



Signal: Total energy of axion

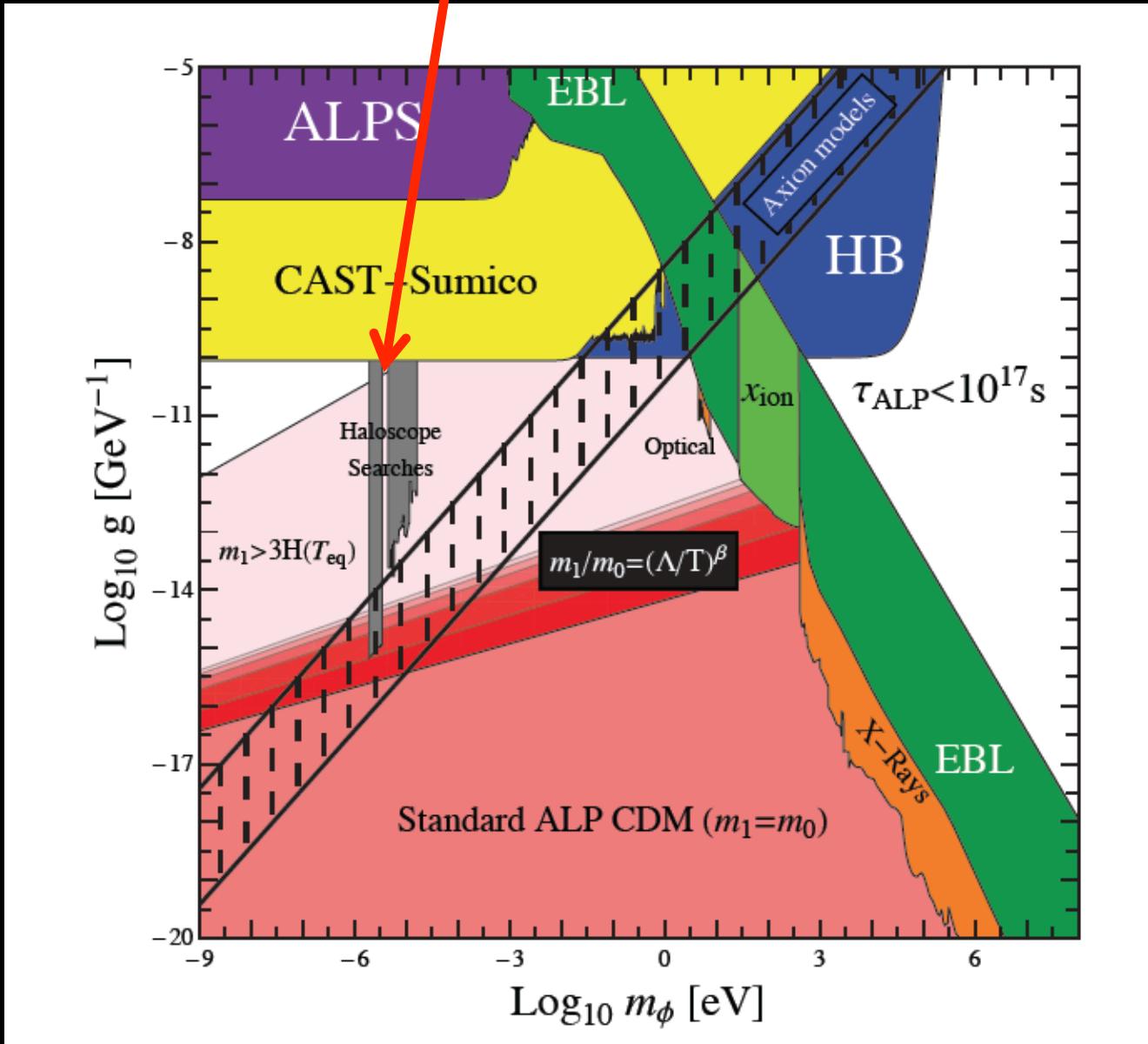


$$h\nu = m_a c^2 [1 + \mathcal{O}(\beta^2 \sim 10^{-6})]$$

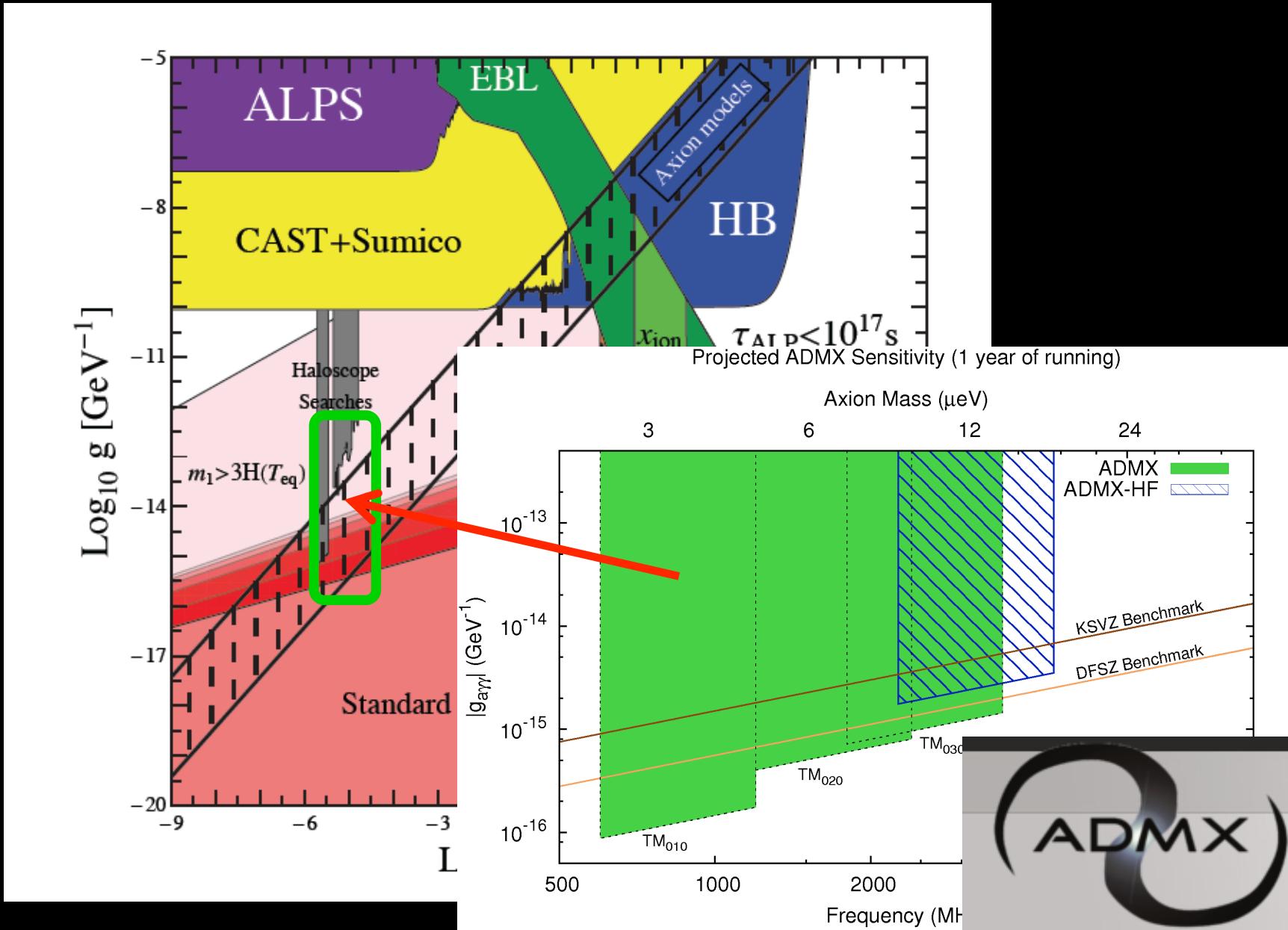


Virial velocity
in galaxy halo!

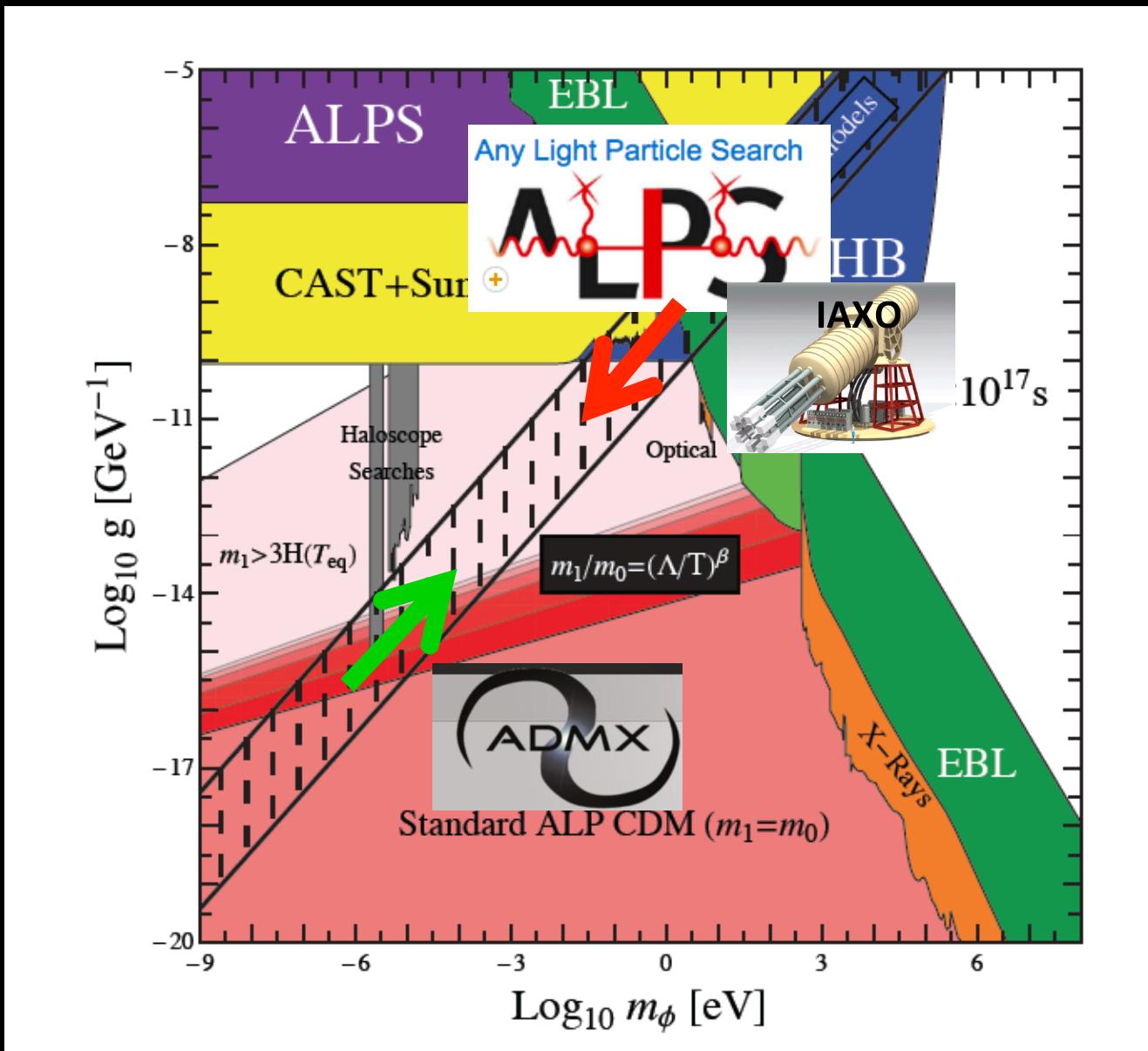
An extremely sensitive probe!!!



A discovery possible any minute!

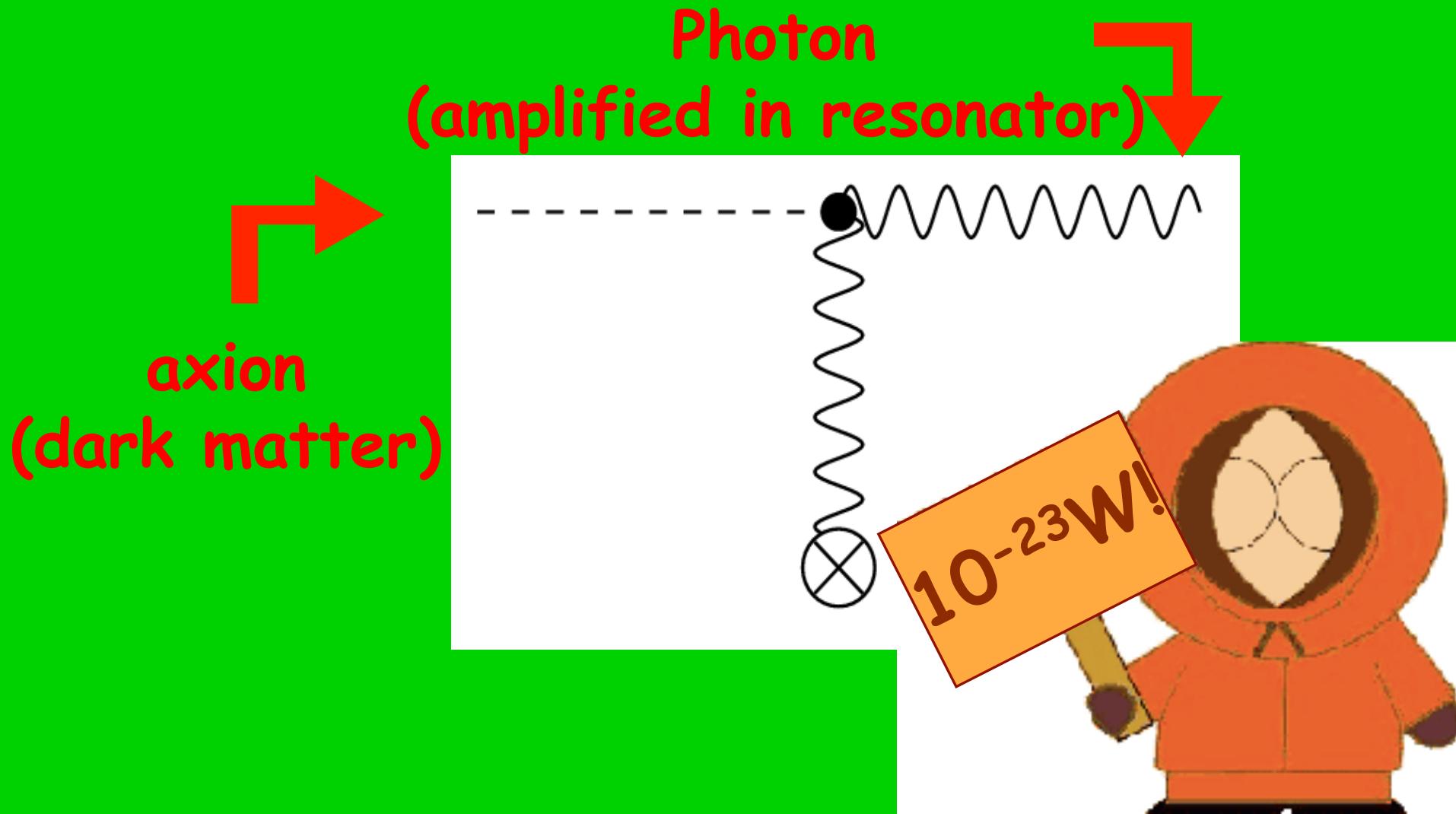


Encircling the axion...



Electricity from Dark Matter ;-).

- Photon Regeneration



Really sustainable Energy

- Galaxy contains $(6-30) \times 10^{11}$ solar masses of DM
 - $(3-15) \times 10^{43}$ TWh
 - @100000 TWh per year (total world today)
 - 10^{38} years ☺

DM power

$$\rho^* v \sim 300 \text{ MeV/cm}^3 \cdot 300 \text{ km/s} \sim 10 \text{ W/m}^2$$

compared to 2 W/m^2 for wind

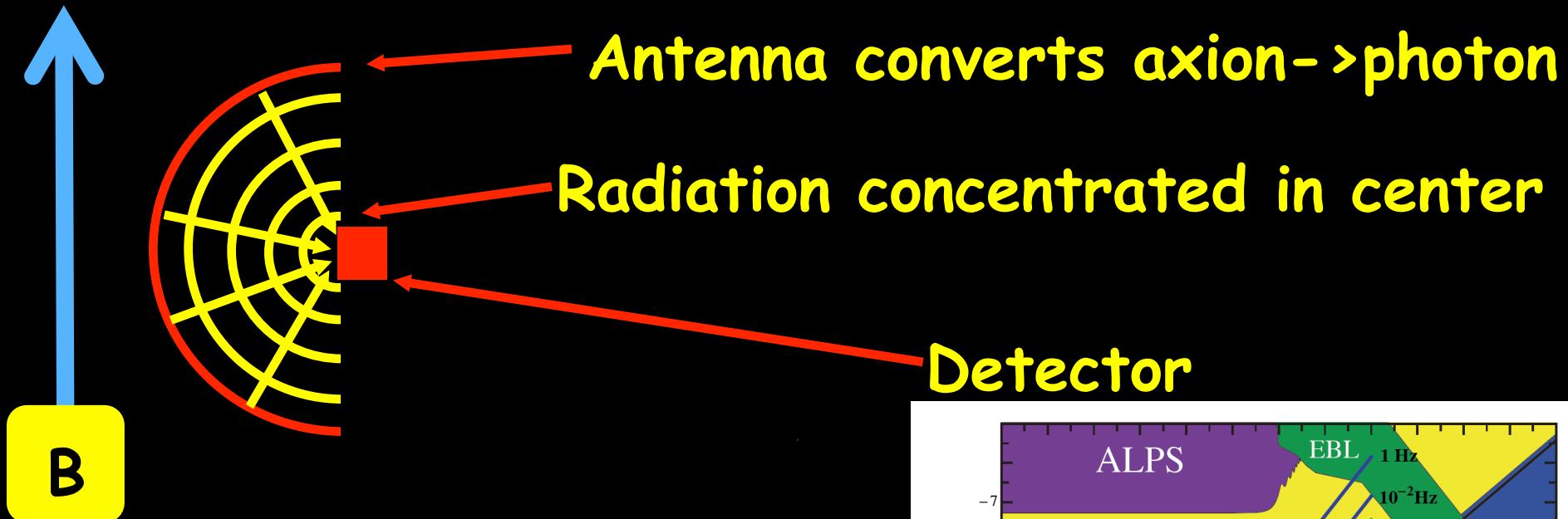


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Matter

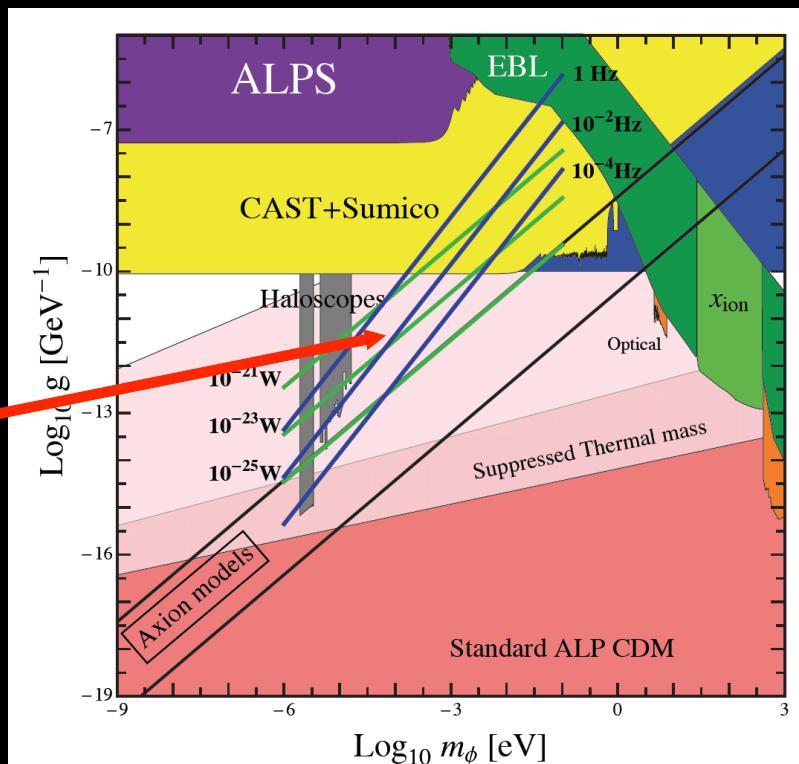
Dark
Matter

Broadband Search Strategy

Dark Matter Antenna



Probes here;
very sensitive!!



The FUNK Experiment

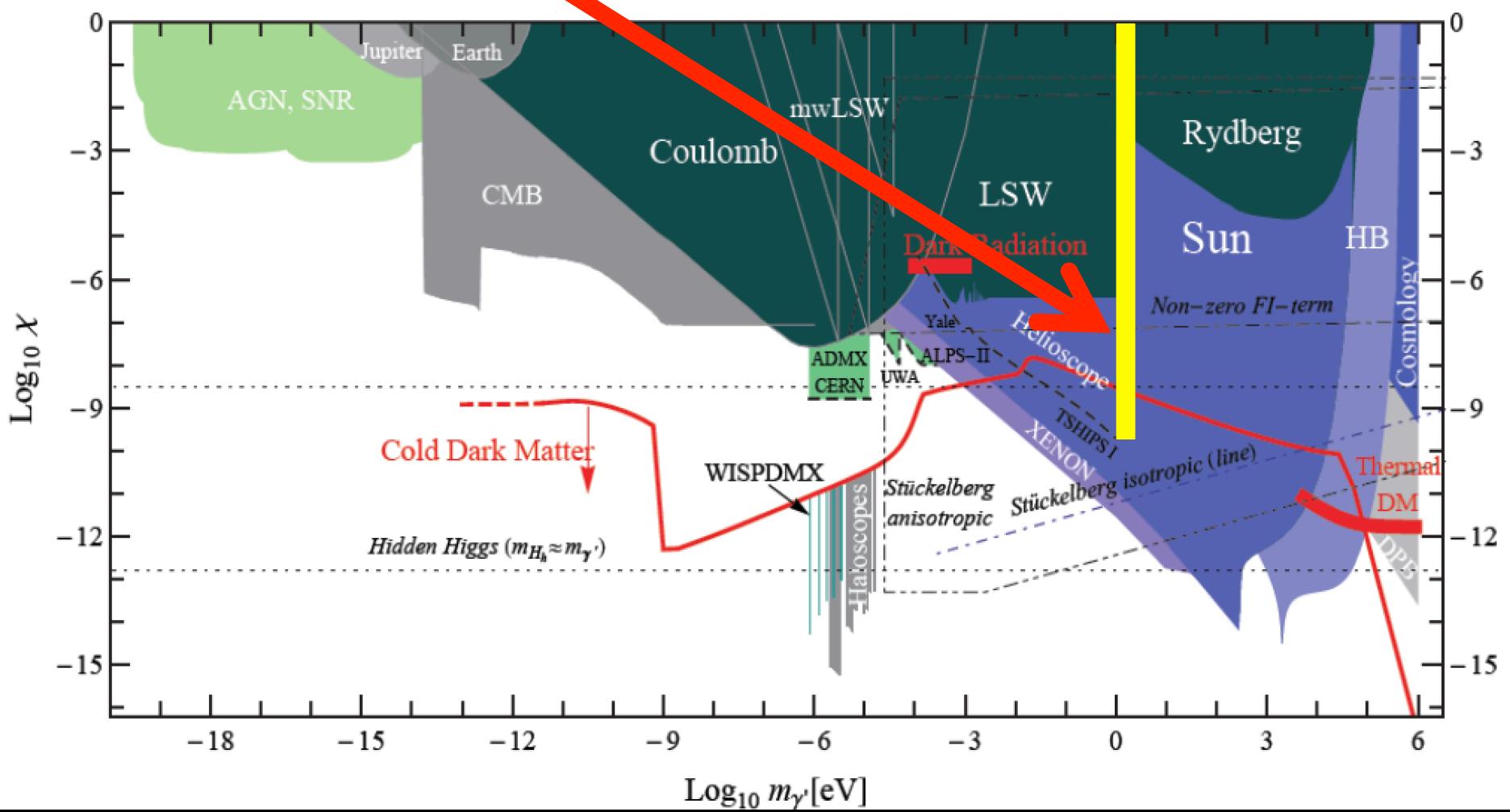
Recycle Auger mirror



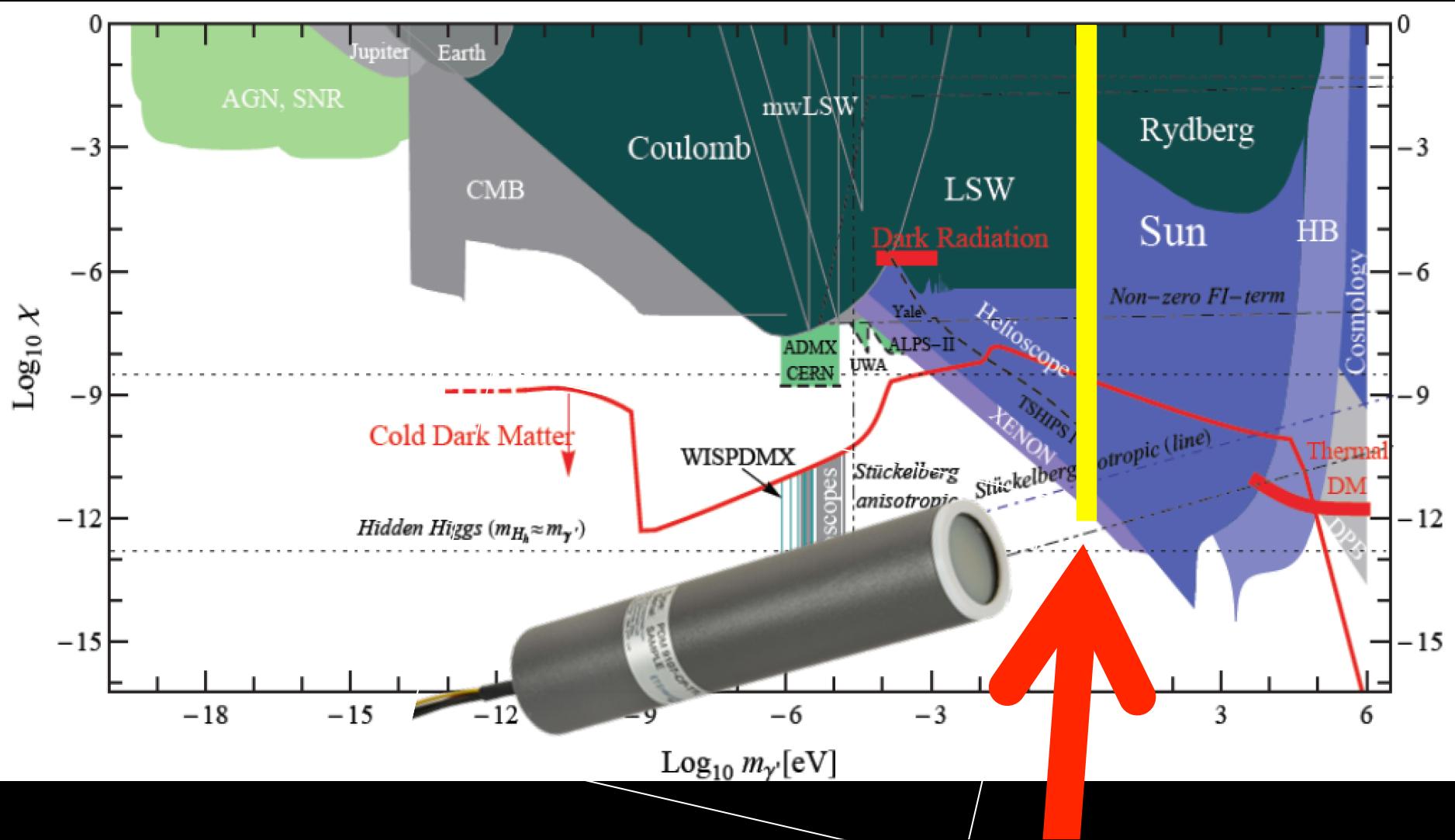
Detector



First Results



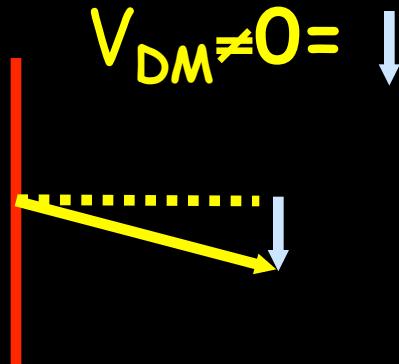
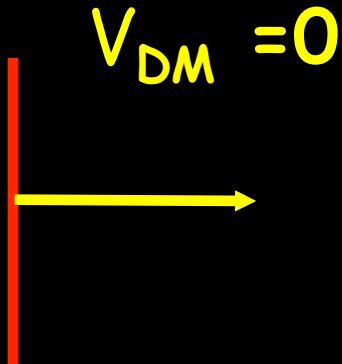
Upgrade: The PMT 9000(+107)



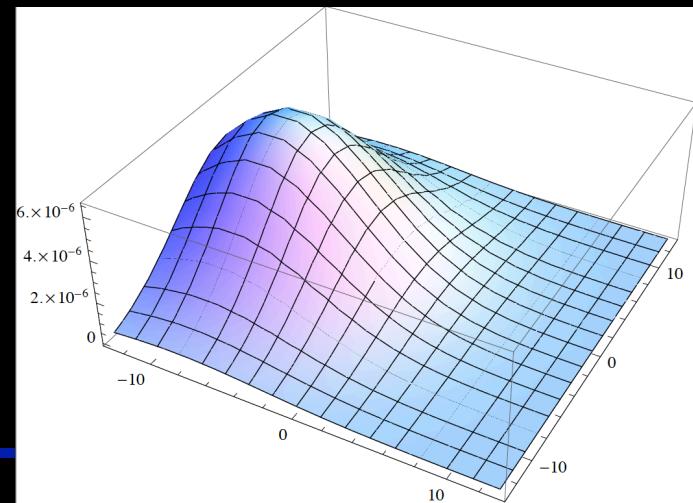
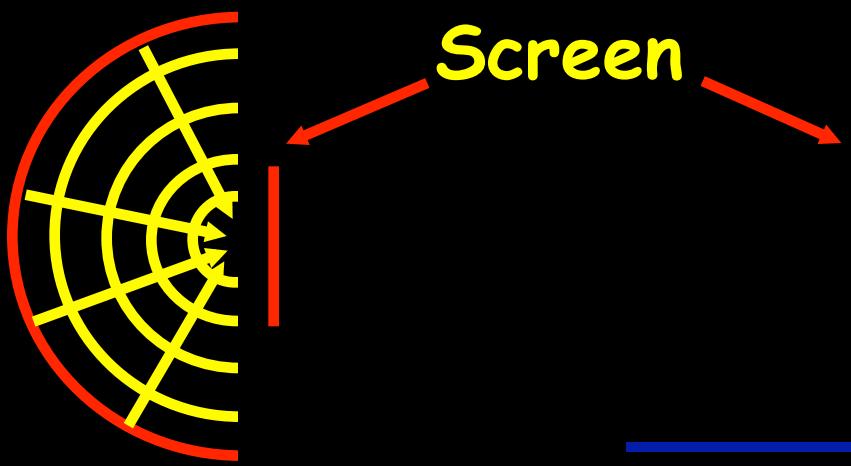
Discovery Potential 😊!!!

A Dream for Astrology ehhm Astronomy

- Emission from moving dark matter



- A picture of the DM-velocity distribution

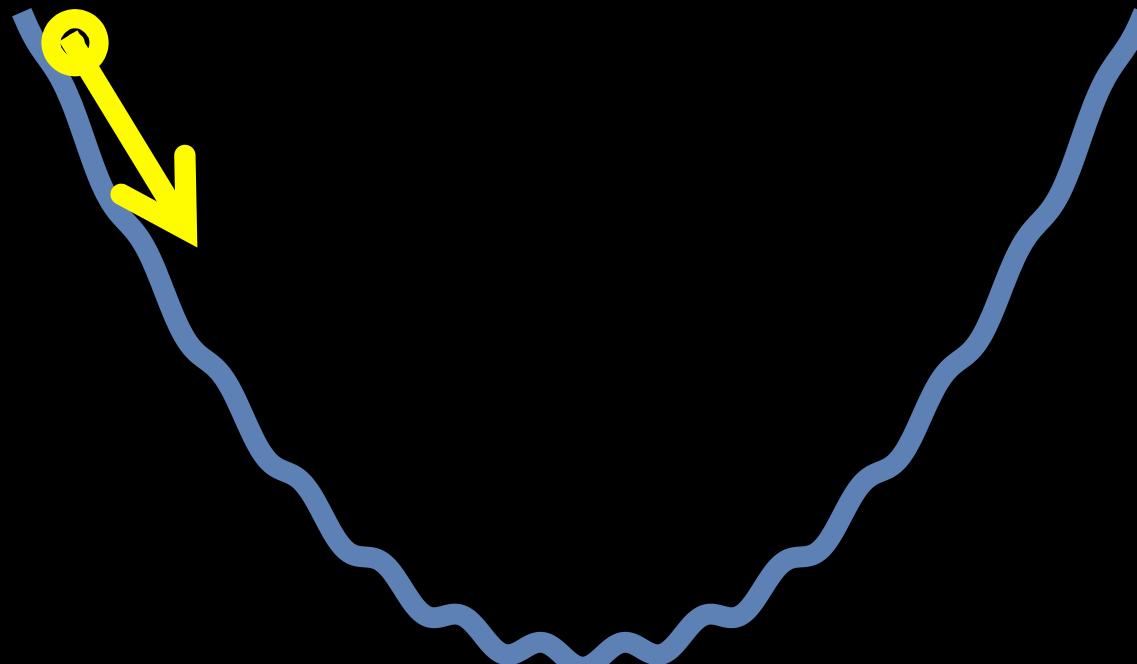


Going
Monodromic

Axion Monodromy

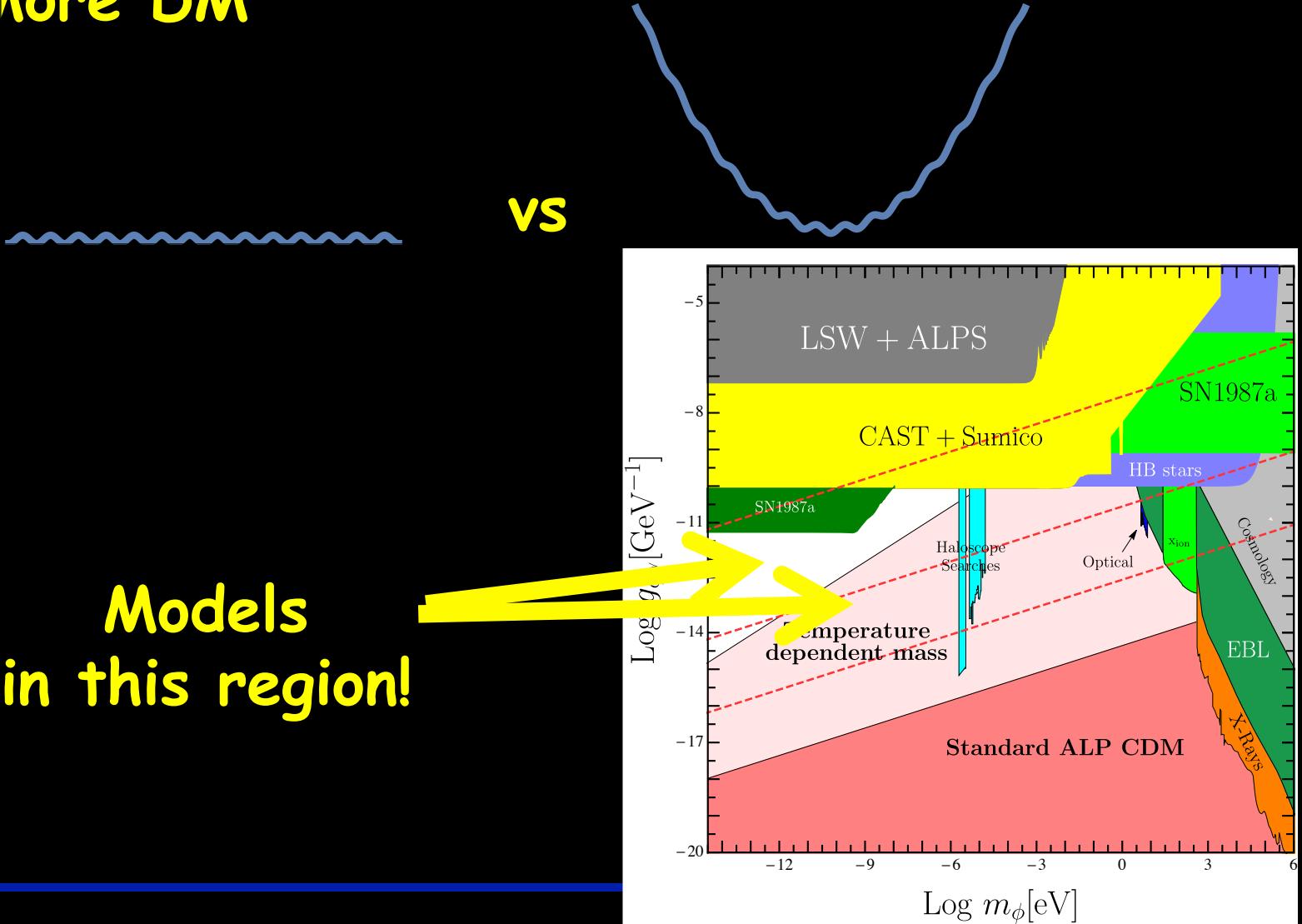
- Allows for extended field range

$$V(\phi) = \frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2 + \Lambda^4 \left(1 - \cos\left(\frac{\phi}{2\pi f}\right)\right)$$

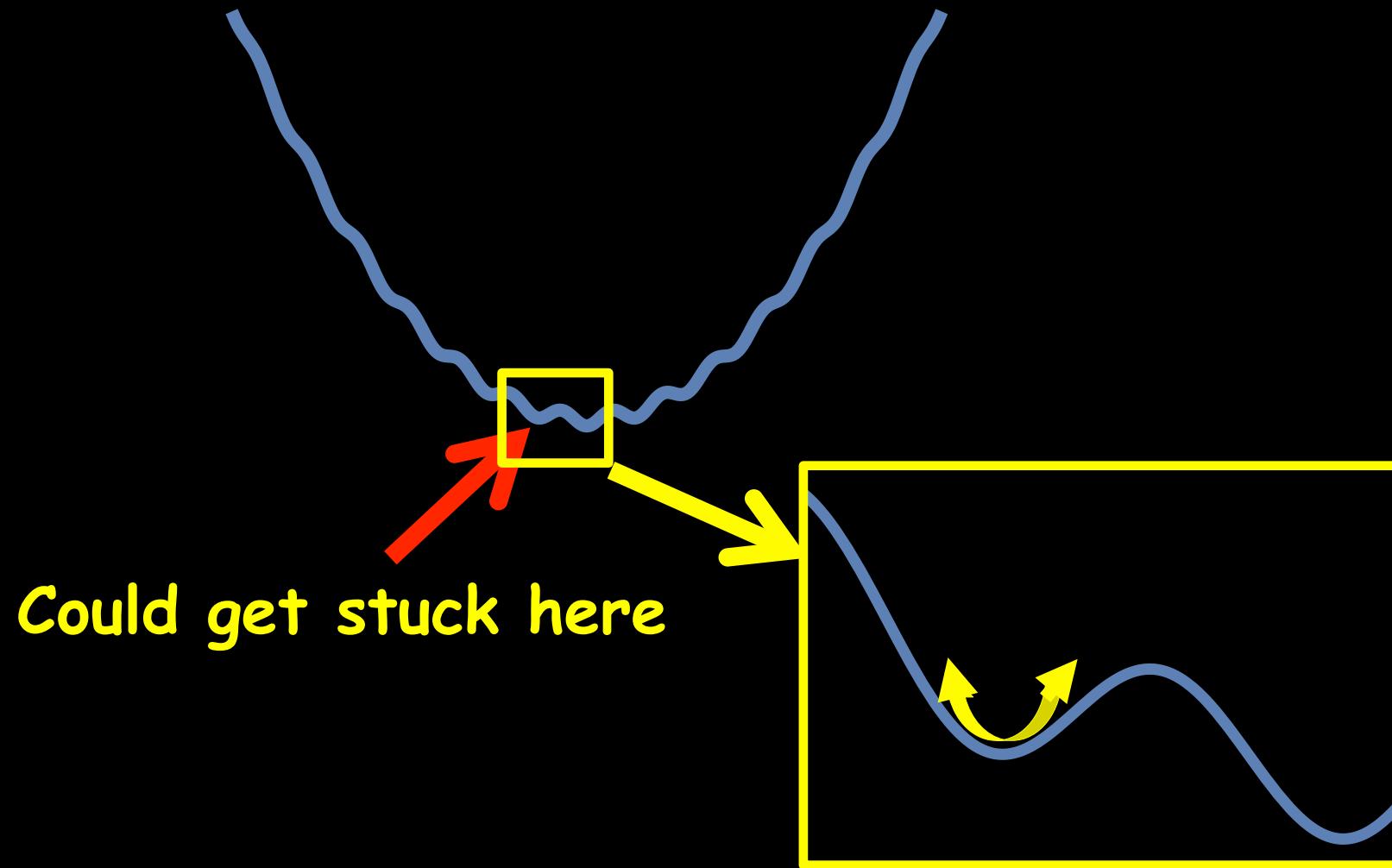


Advantages

- Allows to start with higher energy density
 → More DM



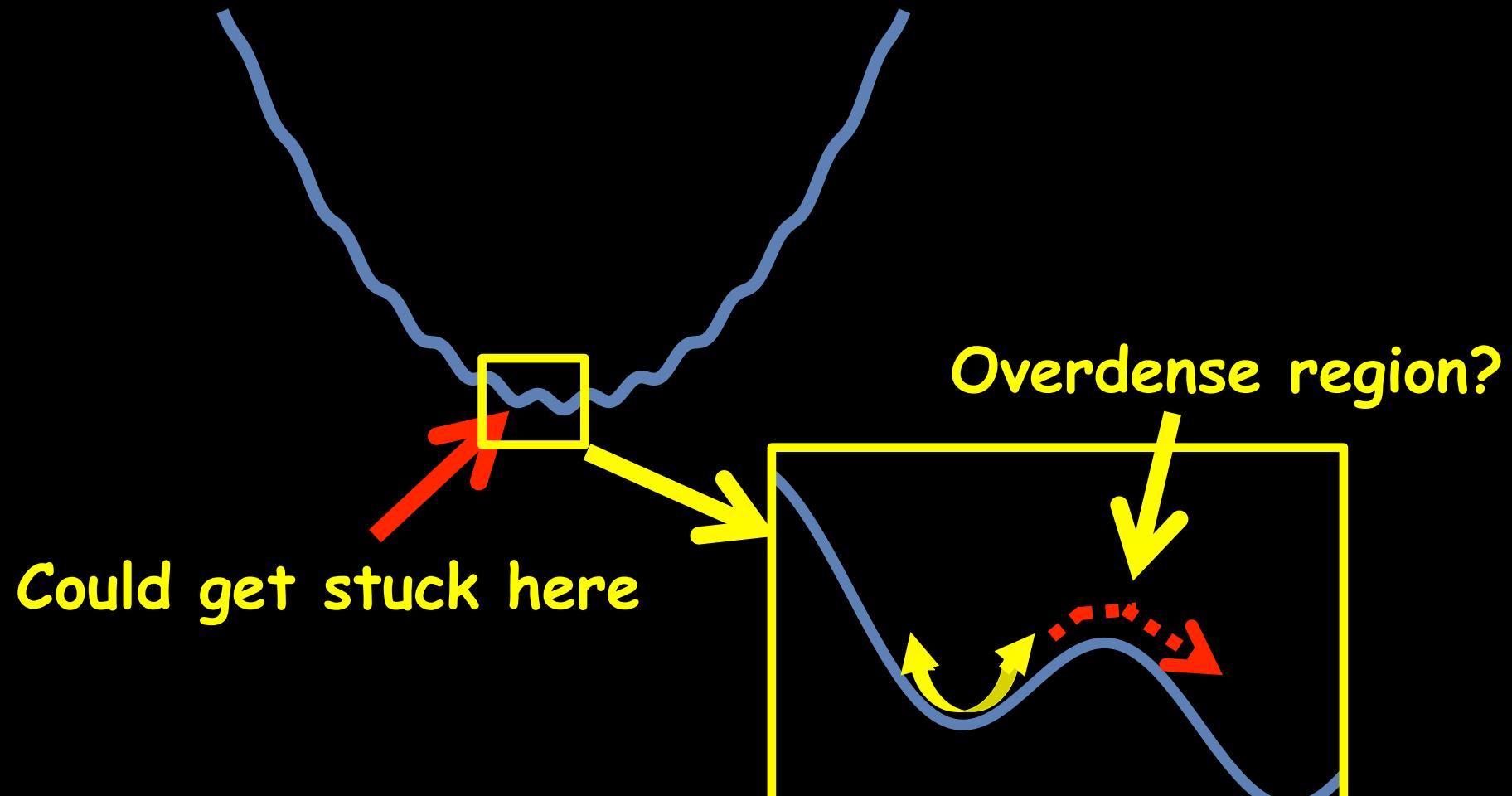
Interesting Phenomena??



Could get stuck here

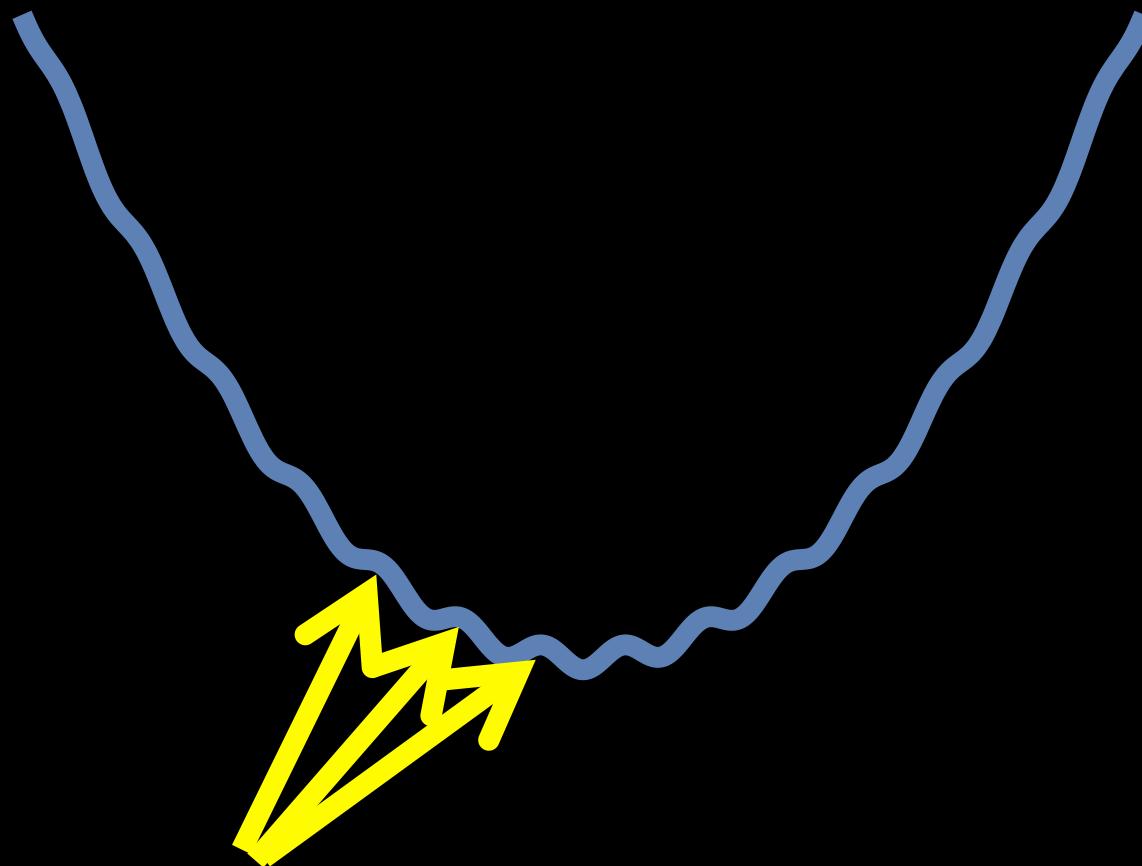
Oscillations like DM!

Interesting Phenomena??



$$amplitude \sim \sqrt{DM\text{density}}$$

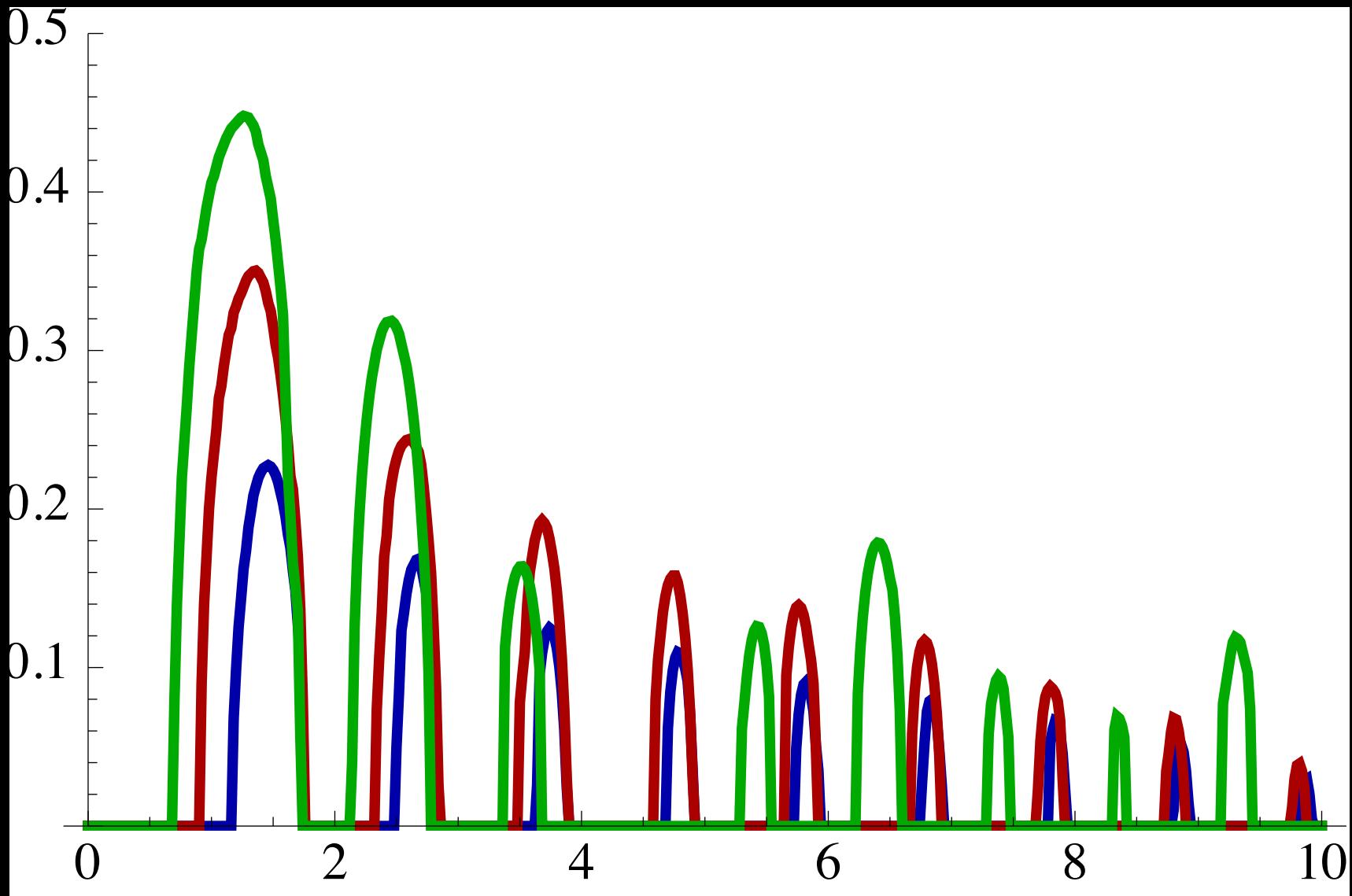
Interesting Phenomena??



Regions with “negative mass”

Instability → Particle Production with $p \neq 0$?!?

Very rapid particle production...



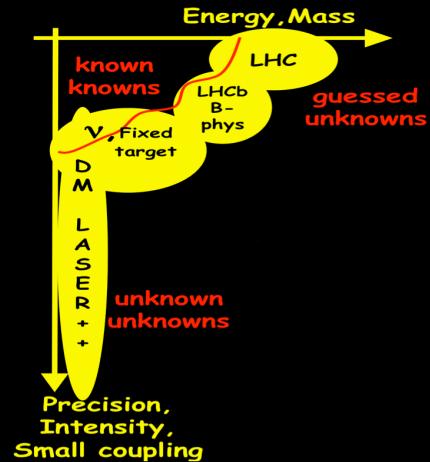
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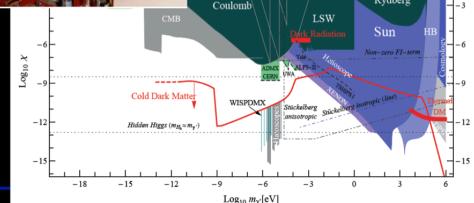
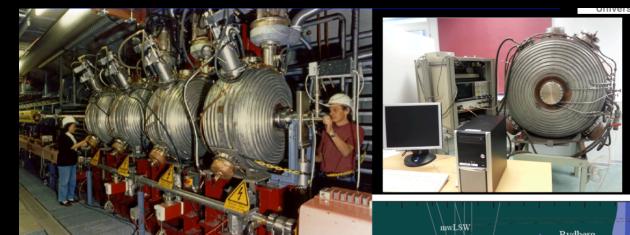
- Good Physics Case for Axions and WISPs

→ explore 'The Low Energy Frontier'

- Low energy experiments complementary to accelerators!



- Dark Matter may be WISPy ☺
- New Search opportunities!
- Searches ongoing!
- Crazy things to explore!

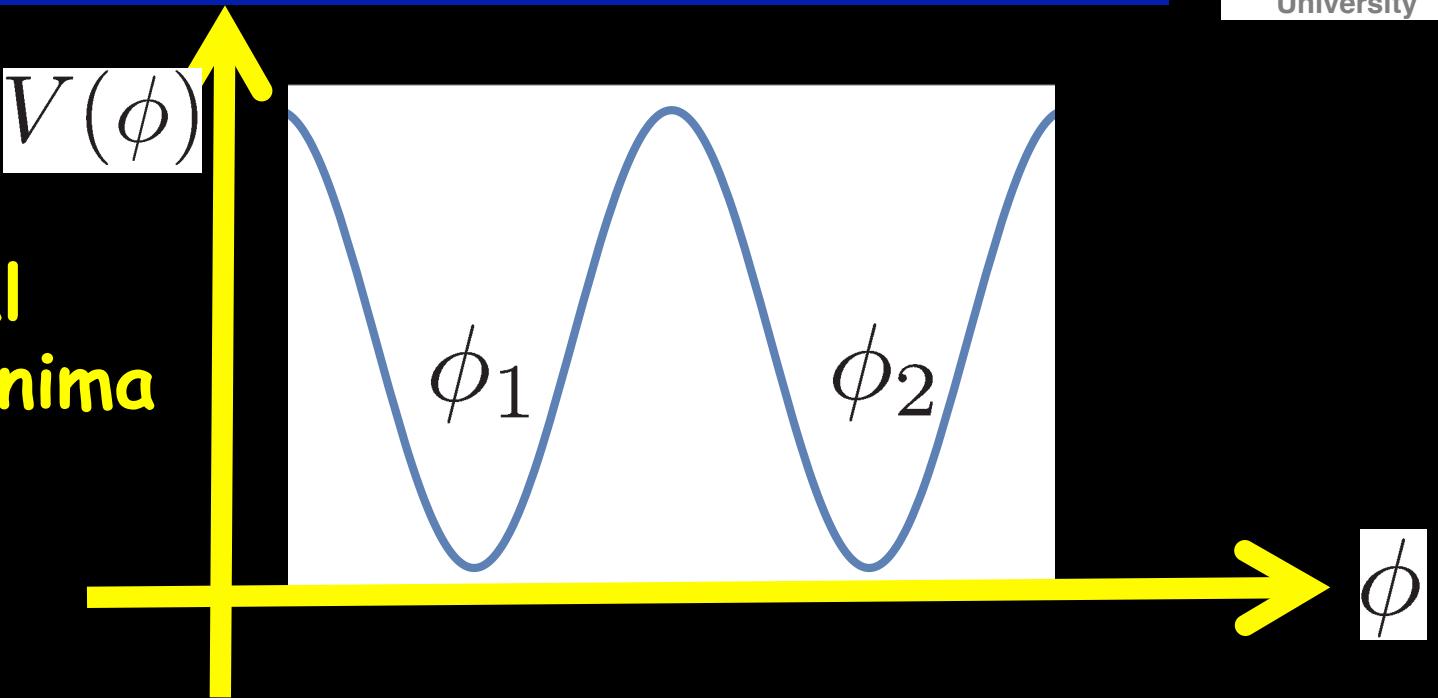




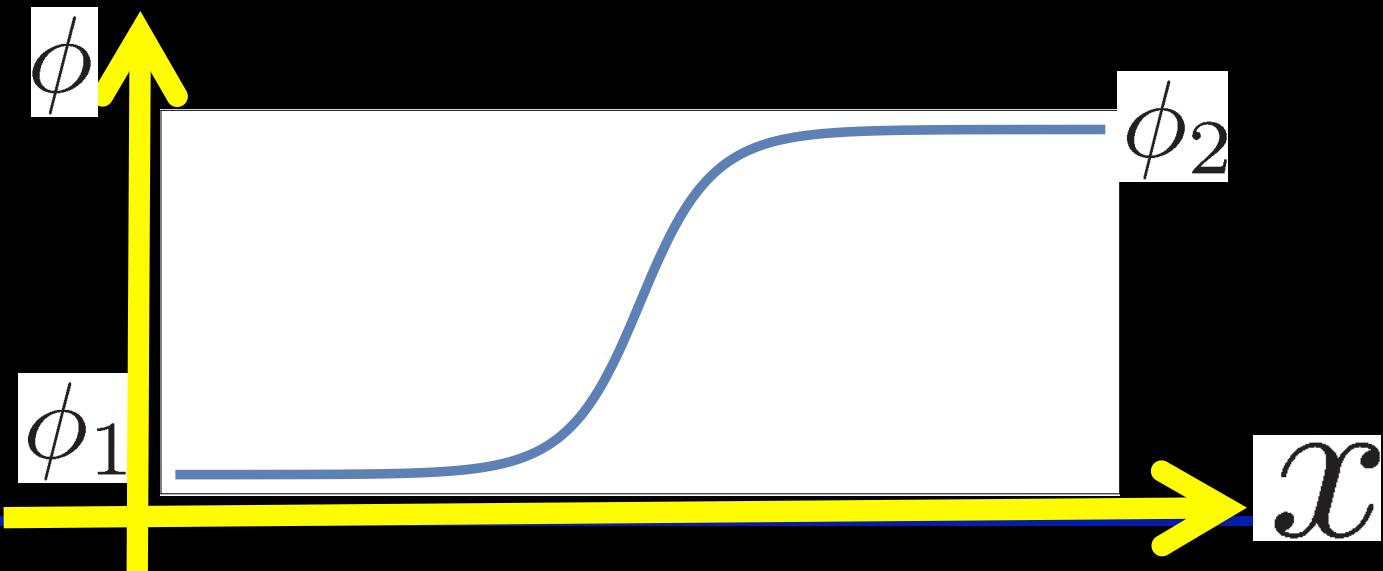
Running through walls

A WISPy Domain Wall

Potential
with two minima

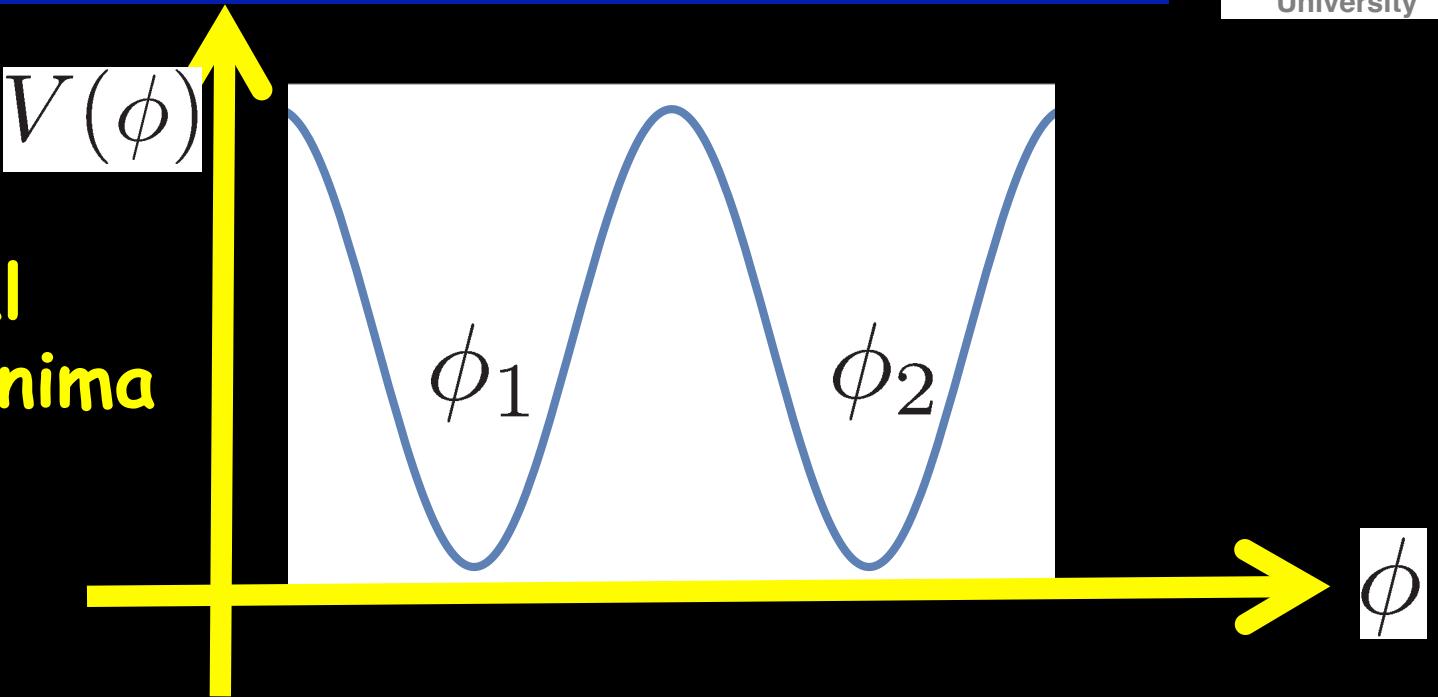


Domain wall
from side 1
To side 2

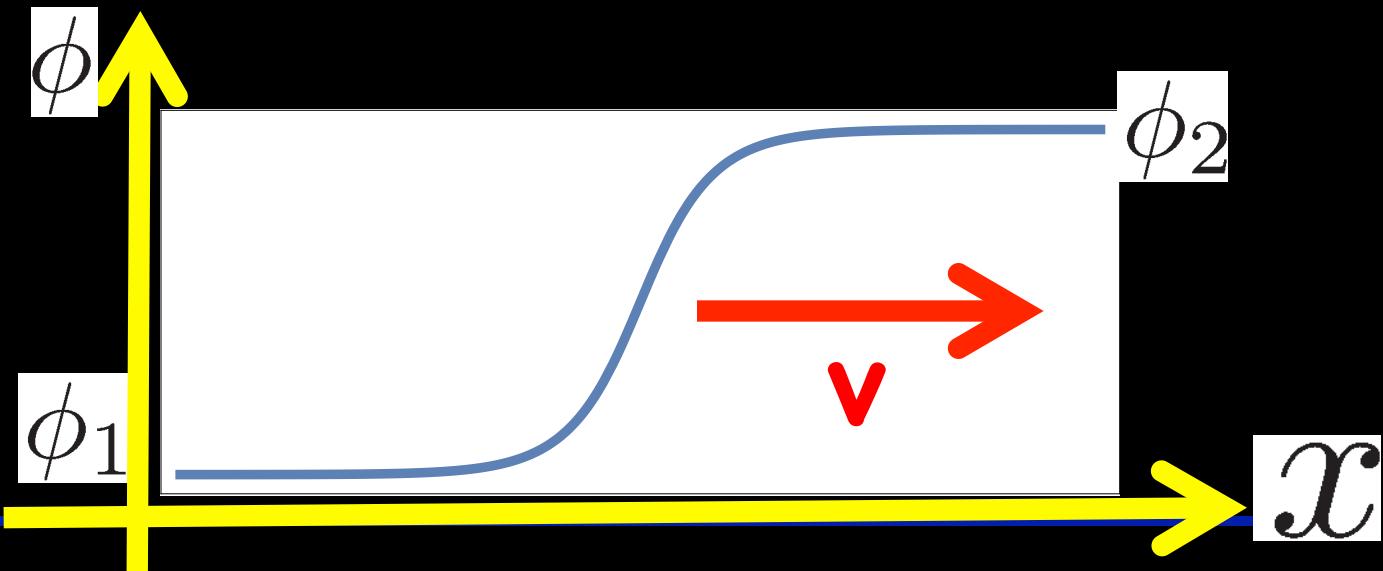


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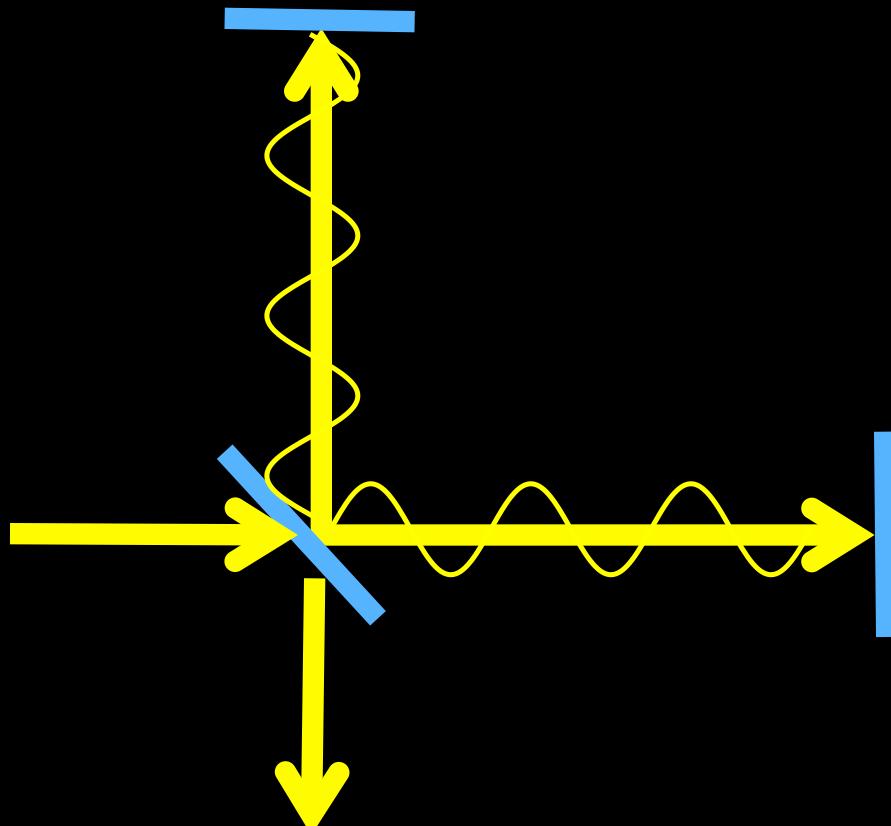
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Domain wall
from side 1
To side 2



- Has detected gravitational waves!!
- Is an Interferometer



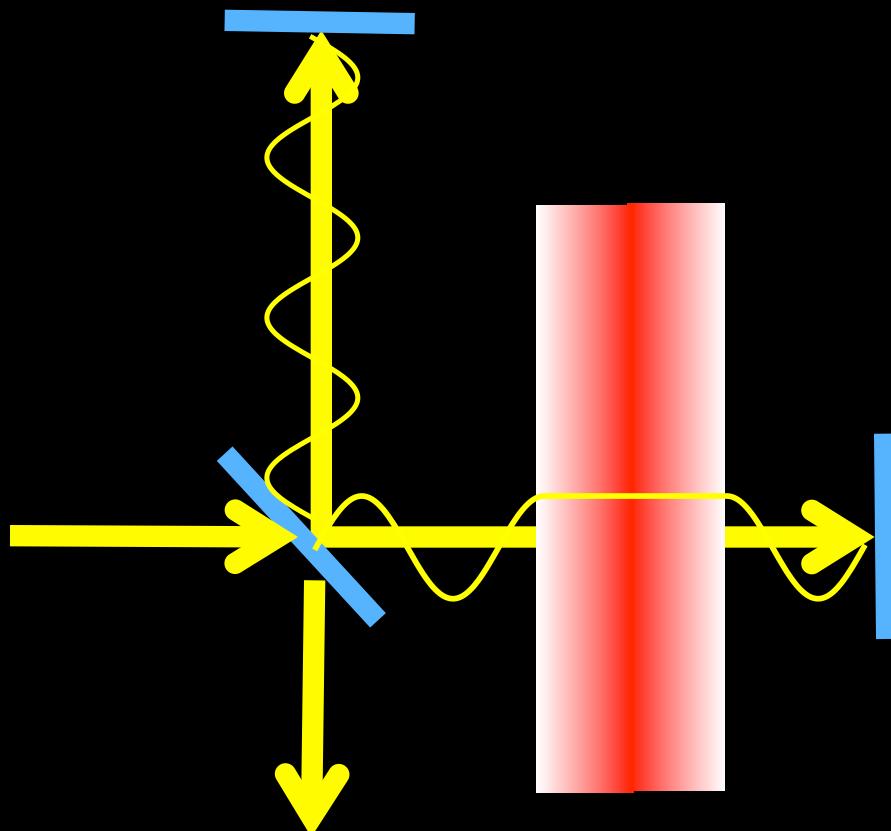
— Interference pattern —

Causing a phase shift

- Interaction inside wall creates photon mass

$$\mathcal{L}_A = -\frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}m_{0,\gamma}^2 \sin^2\left(\frac{N_A\phi}{f}\right) A^\mu A_\mu$$

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— Interference pattern **changed** —

Signal shapes

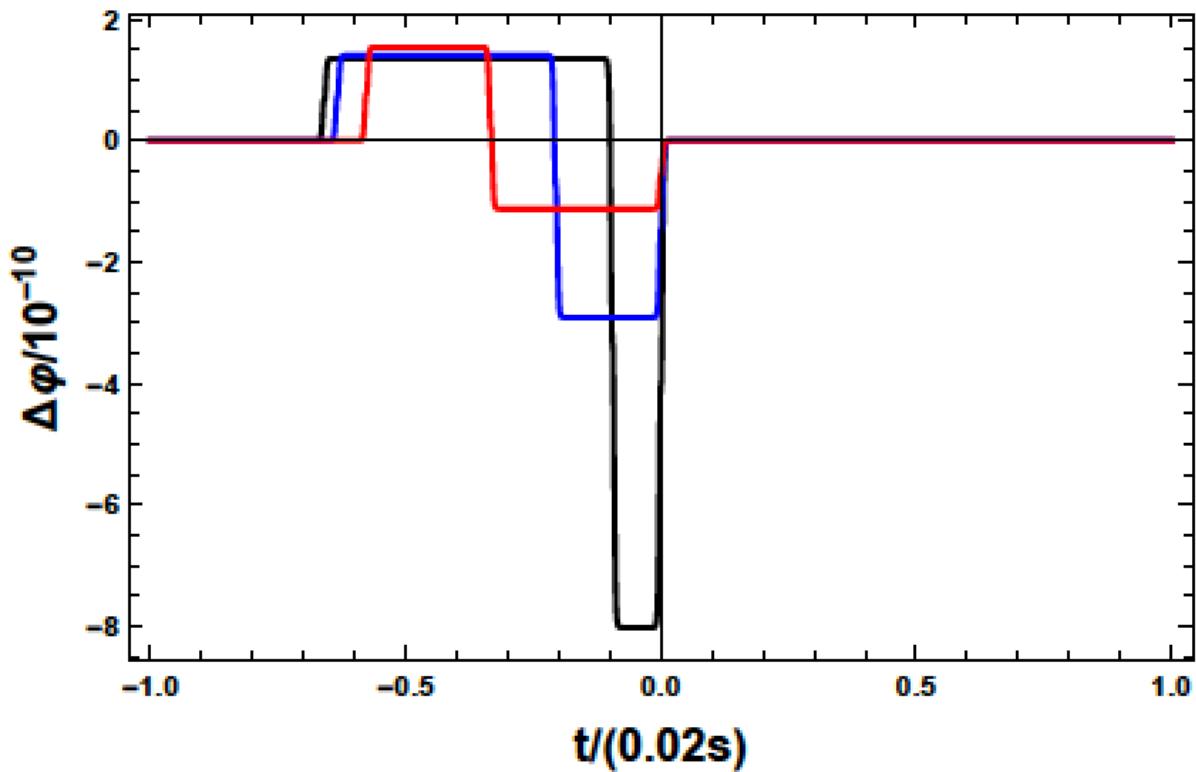


FIG. 6: $L = 4000 \text{ m}$, $\omega \approx 1 \text{ eV}$, $m = 10 \text{ neV}$, $m_{\gamma,0} = 1 \text{ neV}$, $N_A/N_\phi = 1$, $\alpha = \pi/2.2, \pi/2.5, \pi/3$ (black, blue, red), v chosen such that signal has roughly a length of $0.02\text{s} \sim 1/(50\text{Hz})$ this corresponds to $v = 1 \times 10^{-3}$.

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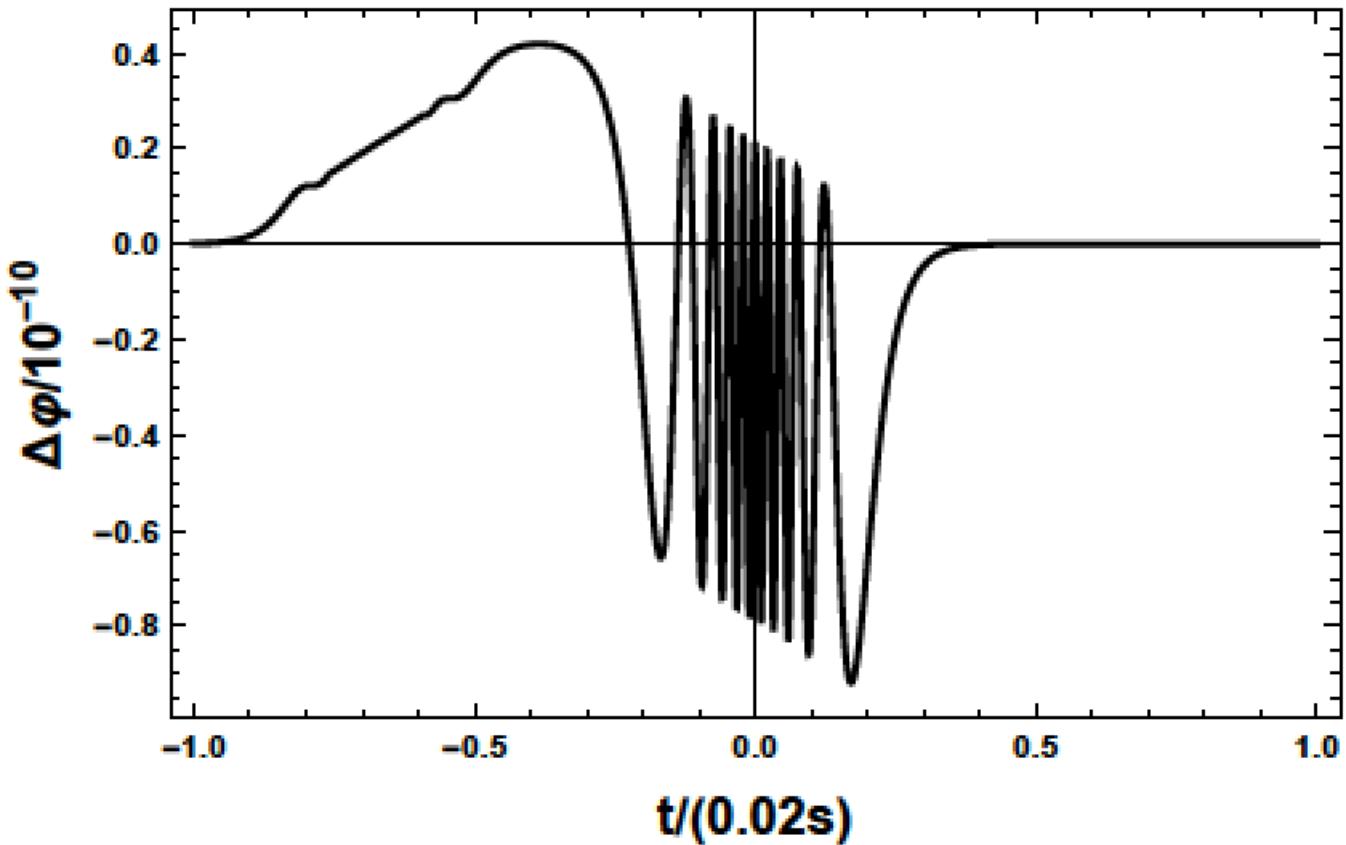


FIG. 8: As in Fig. ?? but $m_{\gamma,0} = 0.1 \text{ neV}$, $N_A/N_\phi = 5$, $m = 0.5 \text{ neV}$, $\alpha = \pi/2$ and $v = 1 \times 10^{-3}$.

How to distinguish from grav waves?

- $\text{velocity} \ll c$
- $v \sim 10^{-3}$

- Time difference between two sites
~few seconds
- Need careful analysis strategies