

MADMAX-Toward a dielectric haloscope

Novel detector for post-inflationary axion dark matter

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Motivation

QCD axion DM

- PQ symmetry to solve the strong CP problem
 - Spontaneous symmetry breaking @ f_A : axion

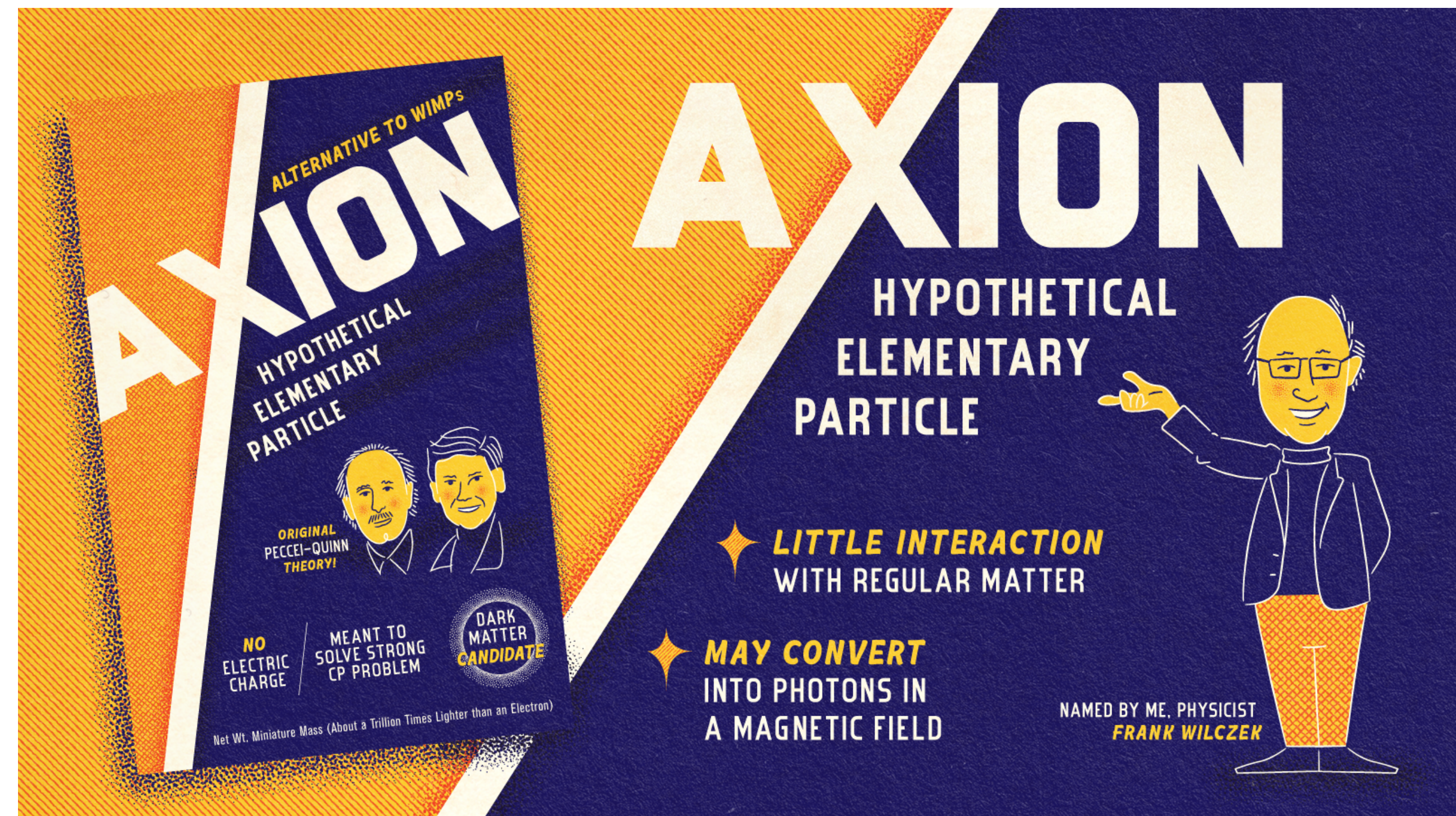
- well-motivated wave CDM candidate

- Non-thermal: cold
- Small interaction with SM particles.

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{f_A} J^\mu \partial_\mu \phi, \quad f_A \gg v_{EW}$$

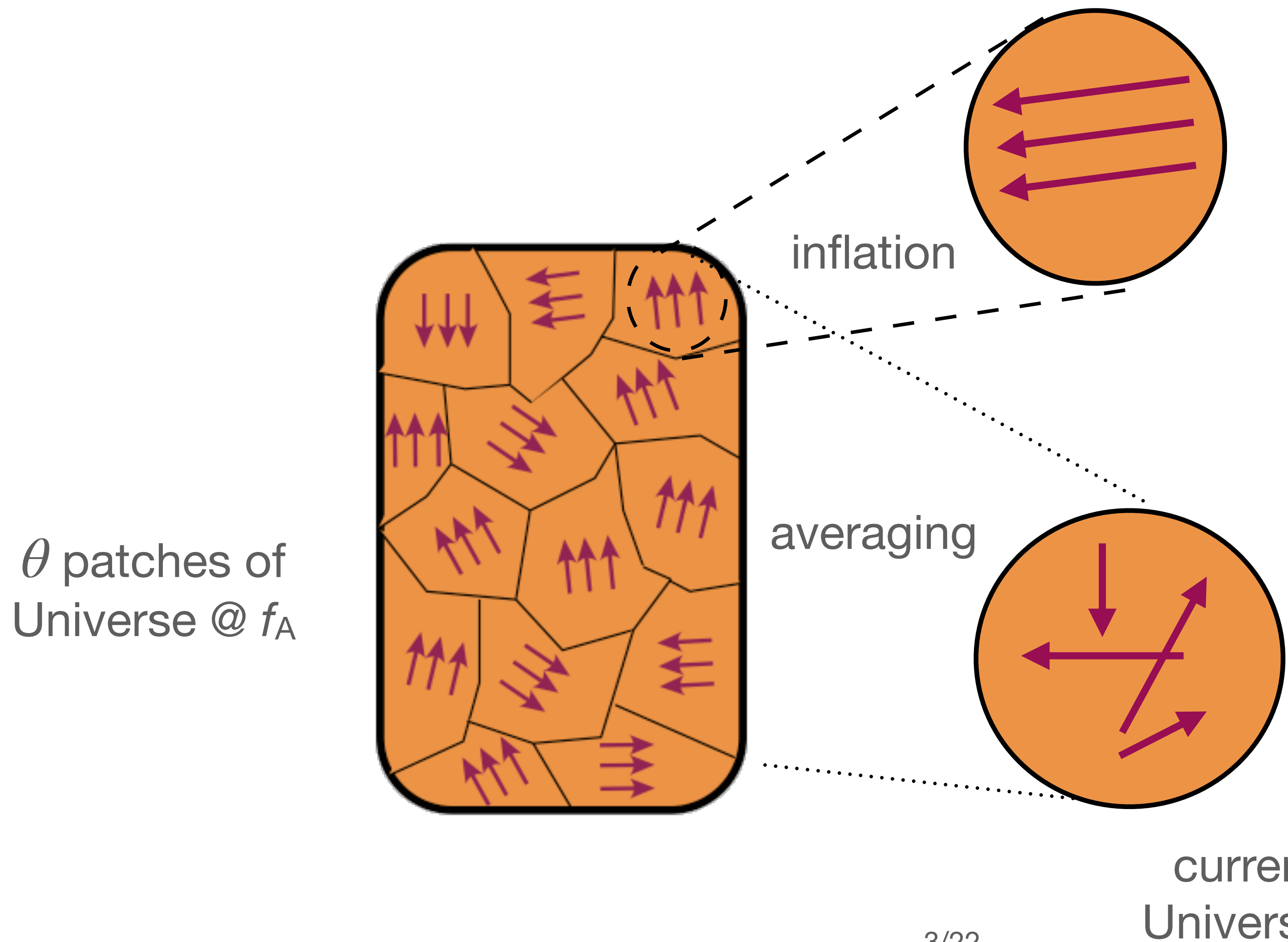
- Small m_a has a long lifetime.

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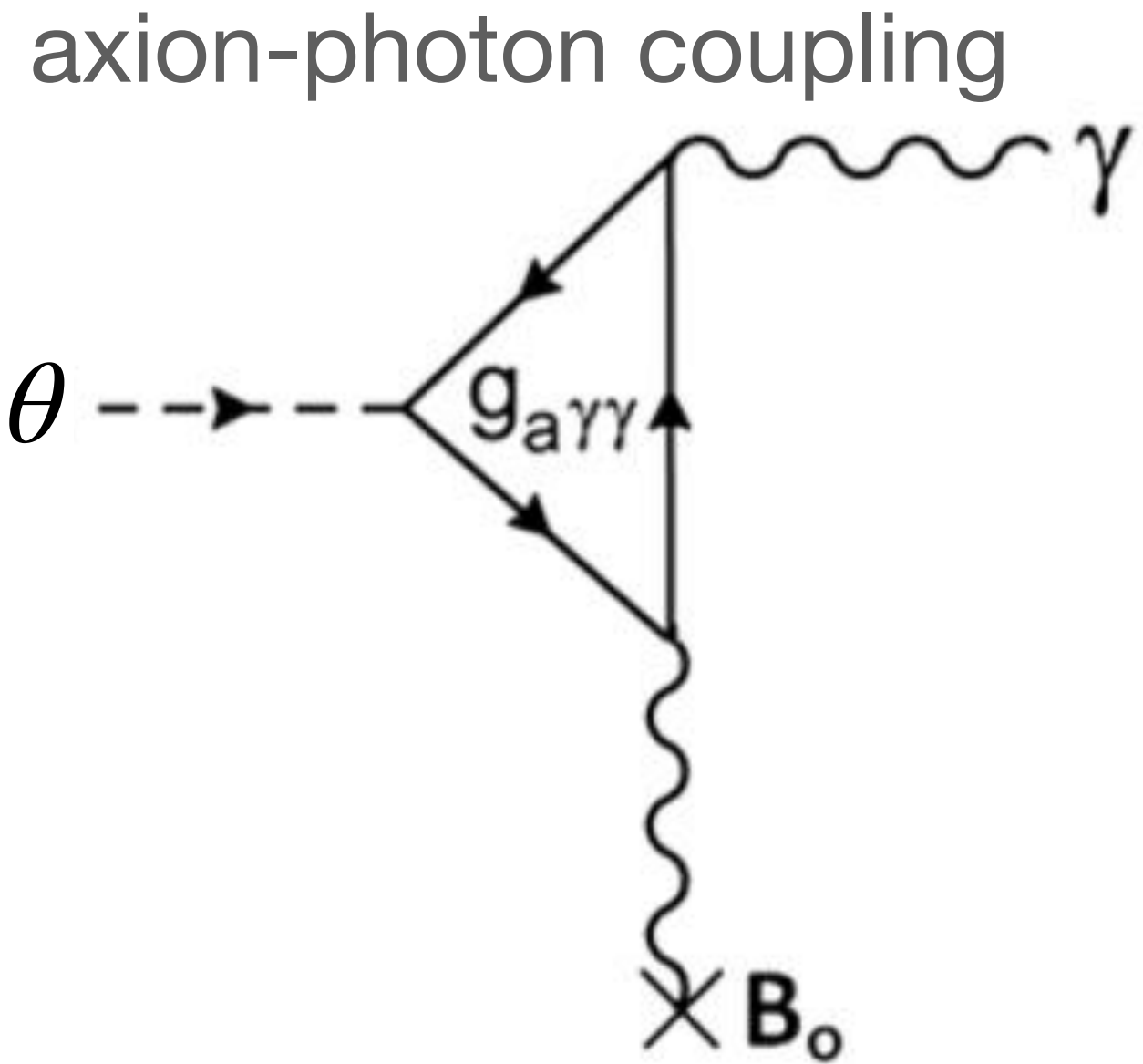
Post-inflationary axion DM mass



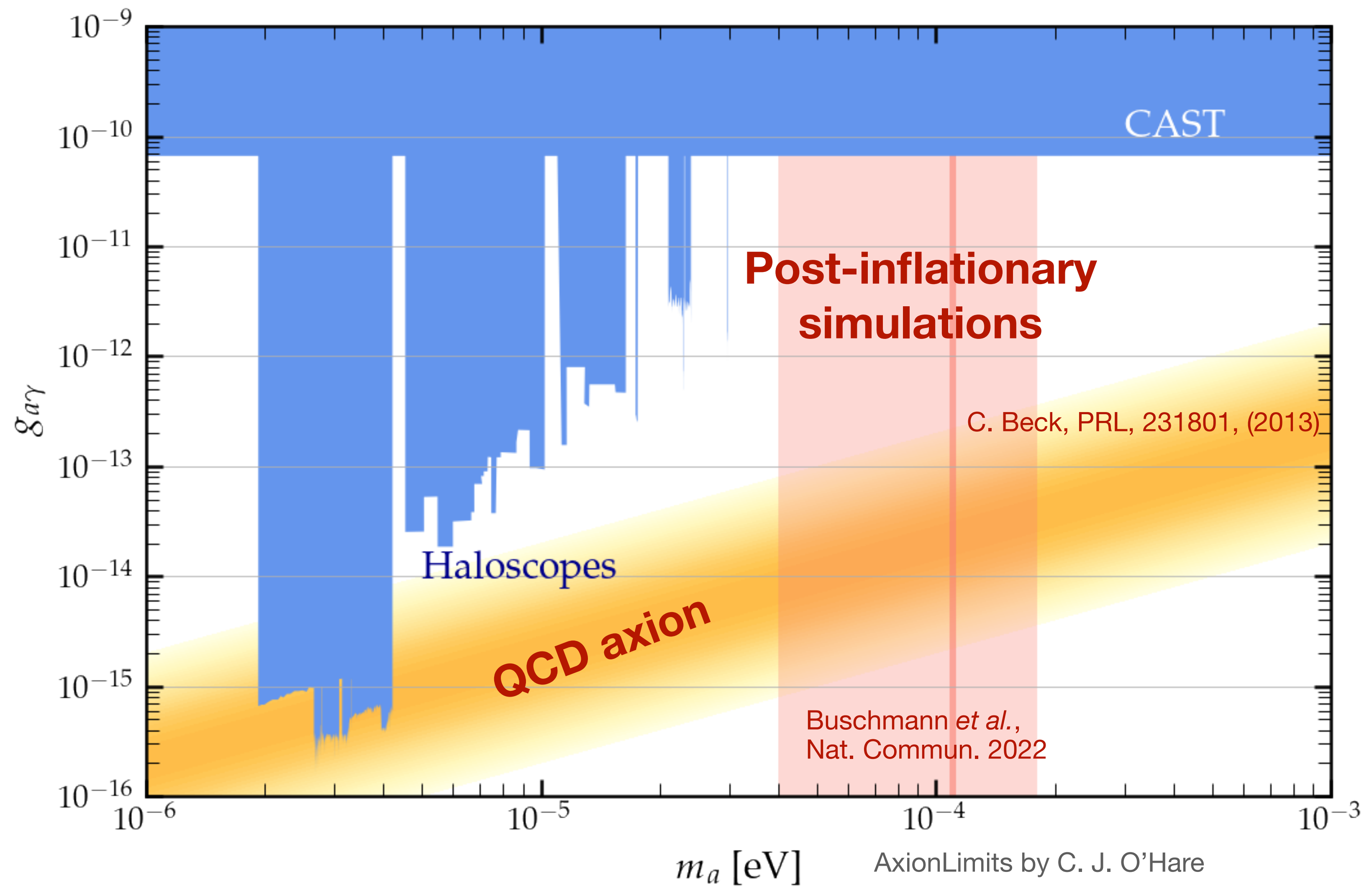
- Pre-inflationary scenarios allows much wider m_a .

- Post-inflationary production prefers $m_a : 40 - 180 \mu eV$.
Buschmann *et al.*,
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DM axion detection status



- $\gamma \sim 20$ GHz



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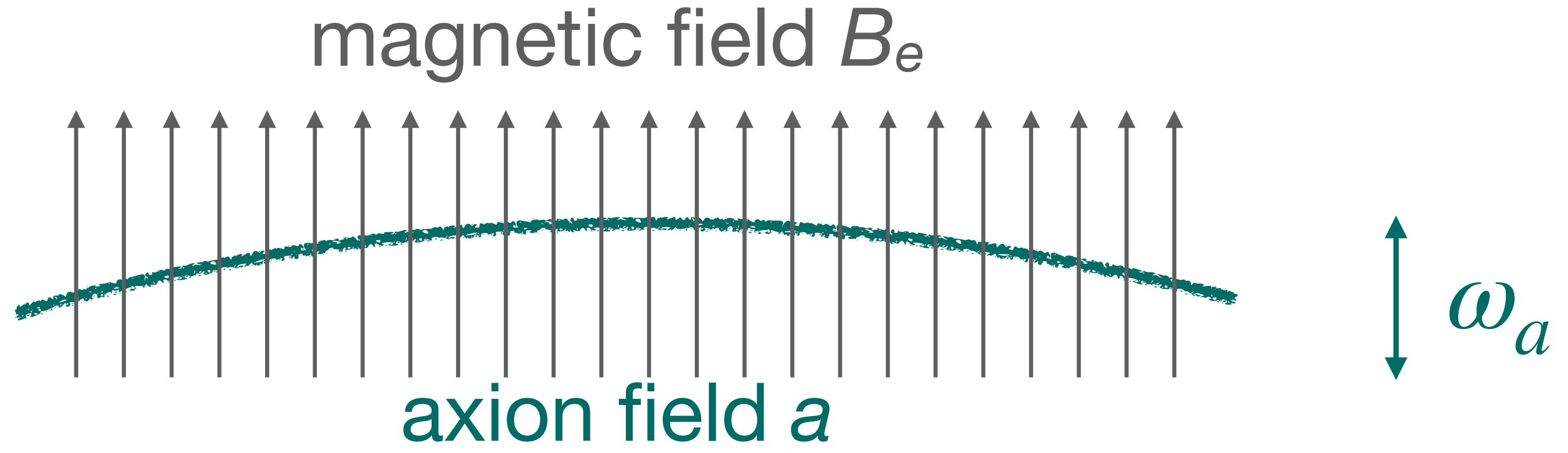
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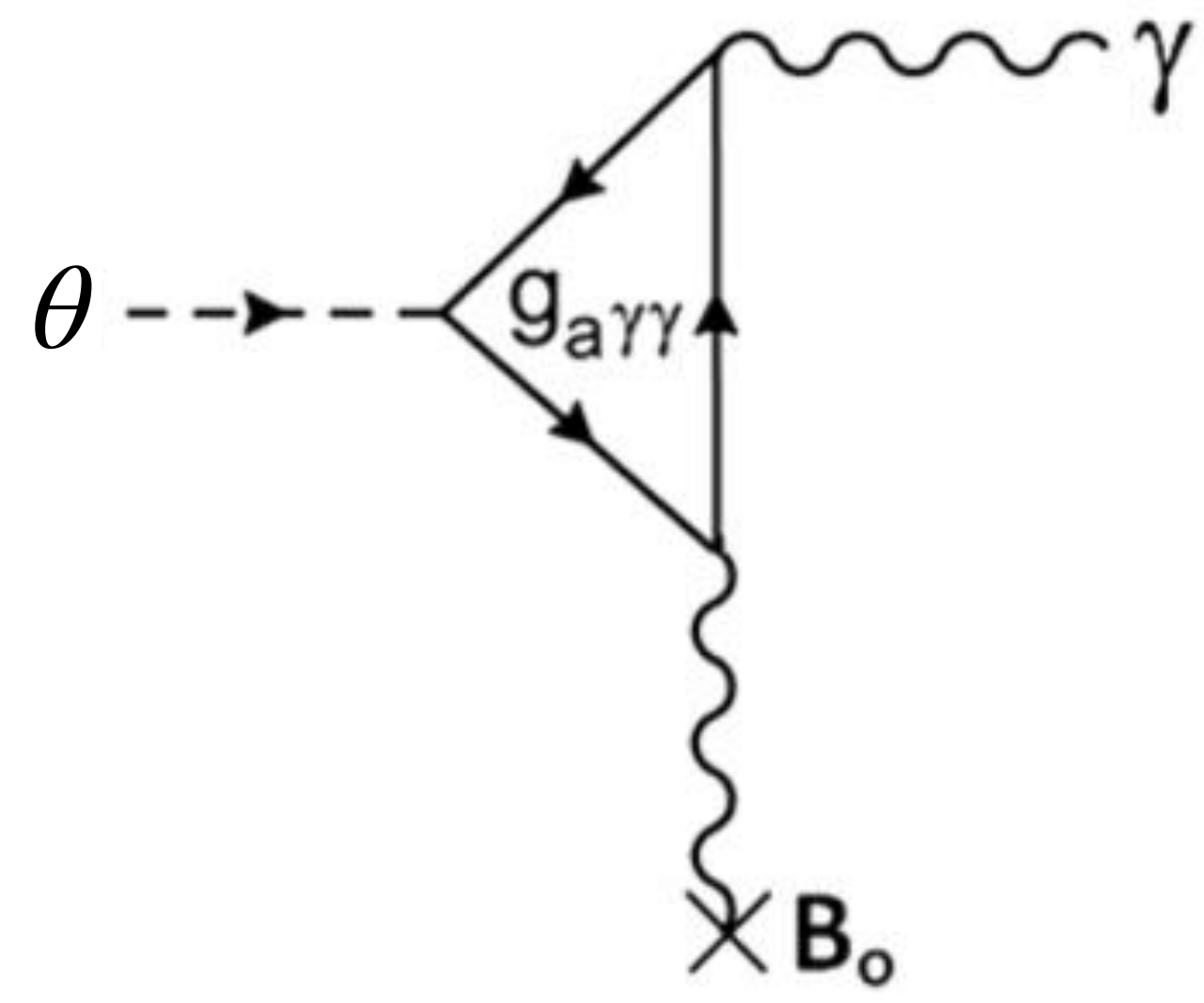
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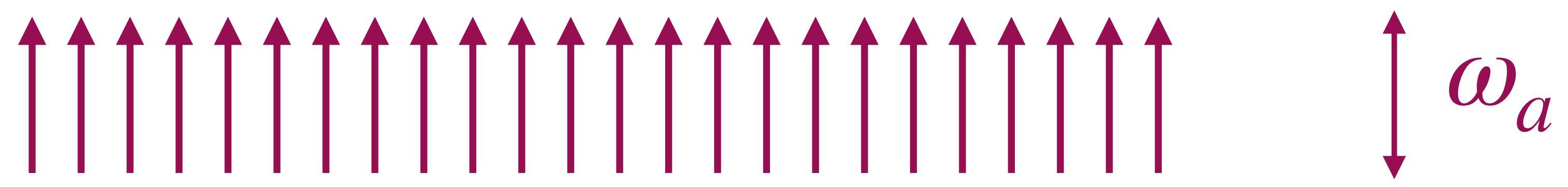
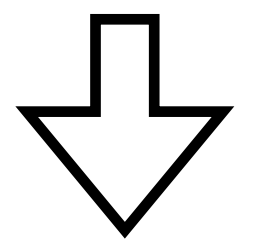
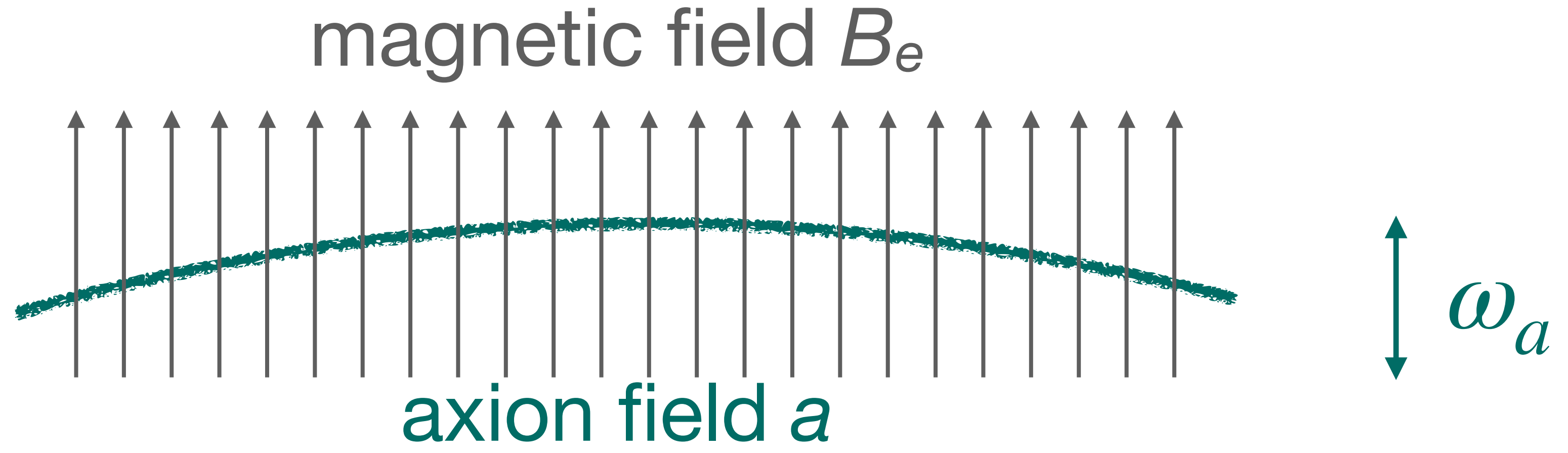


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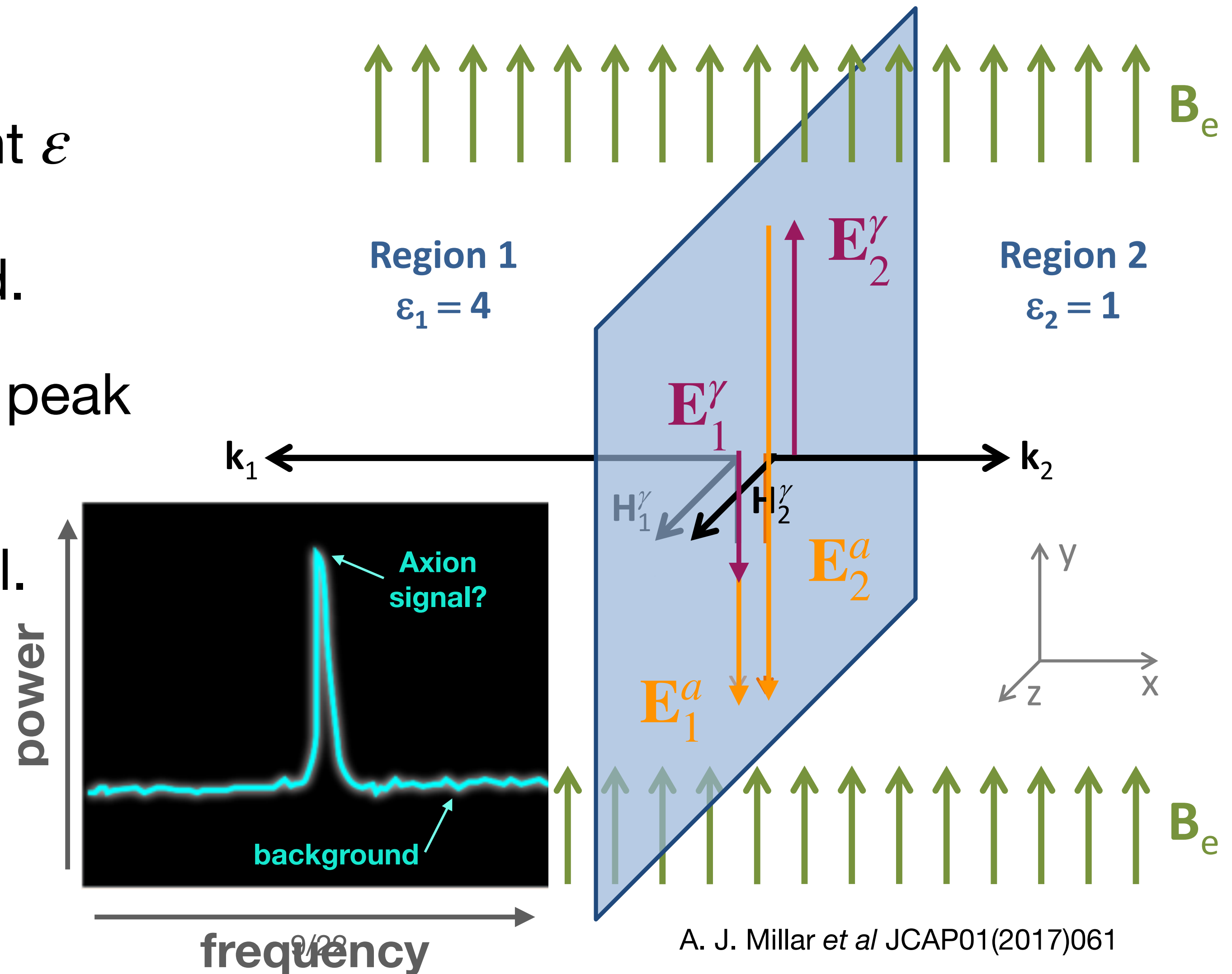
Axion-induced electric field

Traveling wave from dielectrics

- At the **boundaries**, different ϵ produce different E^α , and traveling waves are emitted.
- Signature: mono-energetic peak above background.
- Problem: signal is too small.

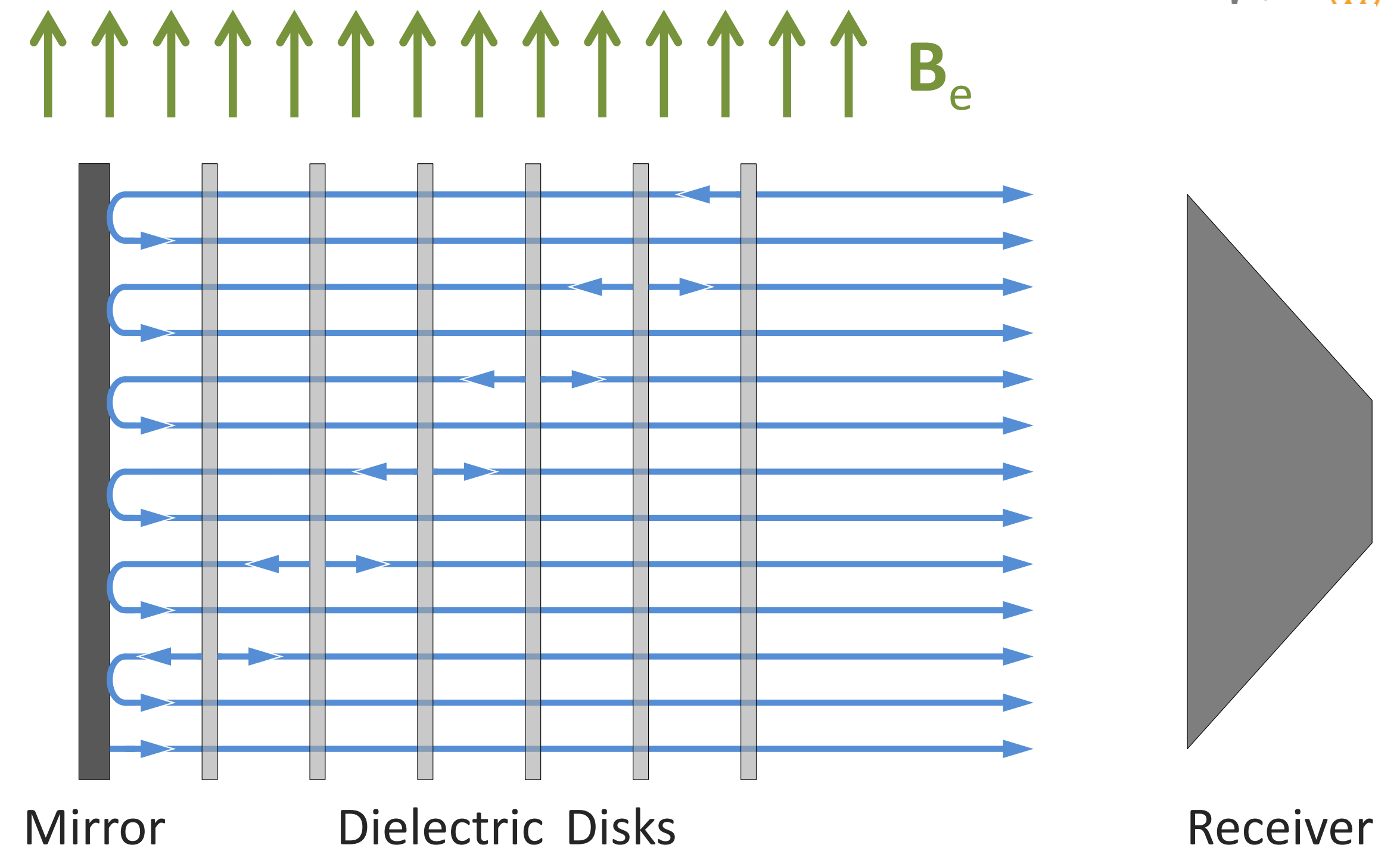
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$$\sim 10^{-13} \text{ [V/m/T]}$$

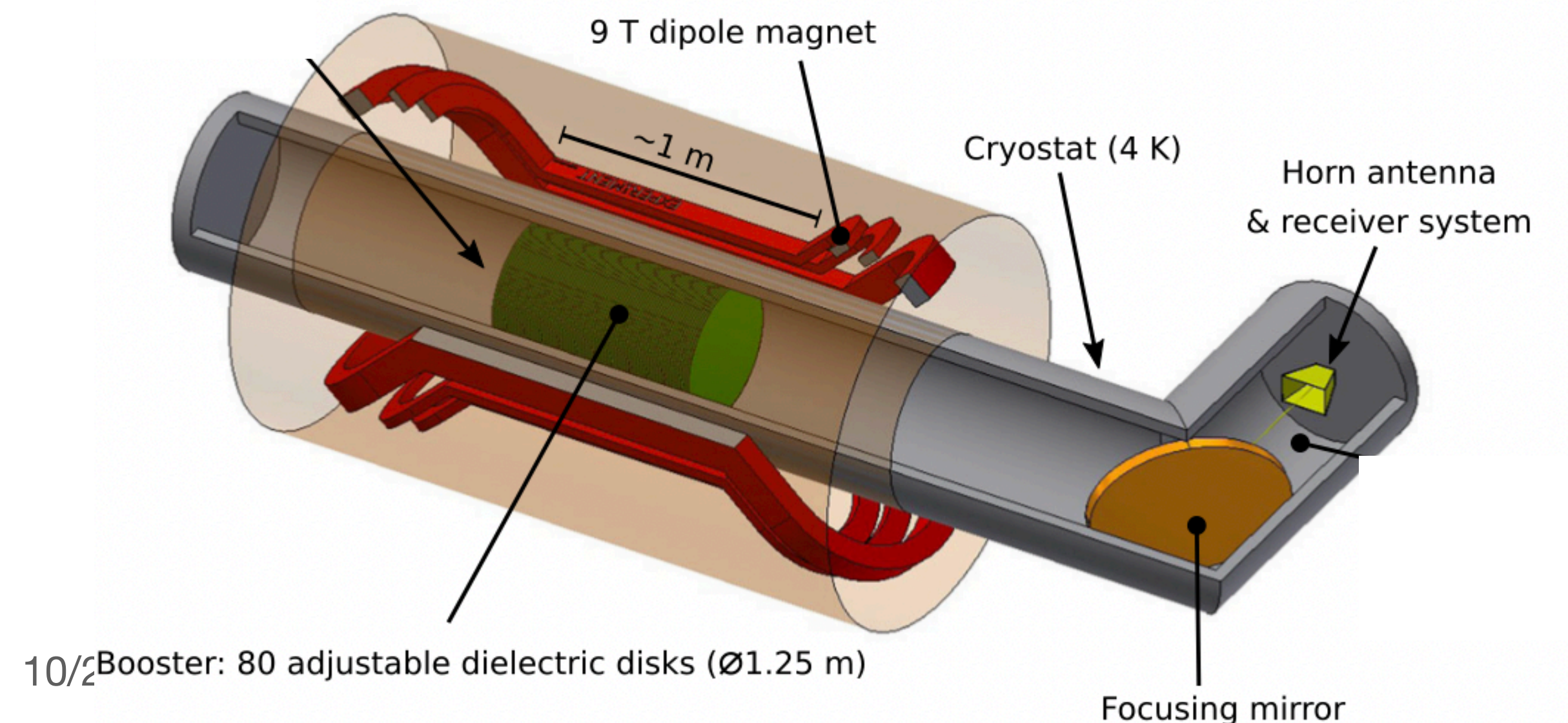


Dielectric haloscope

- Solution: constructive **interference** of signal from **multiple boundaries**
- Scale-up on transverse dimensions, sensitive to the QCD-axion
- Tuning by moving disks
 - Antenna couples only to the axion mode (ideally)



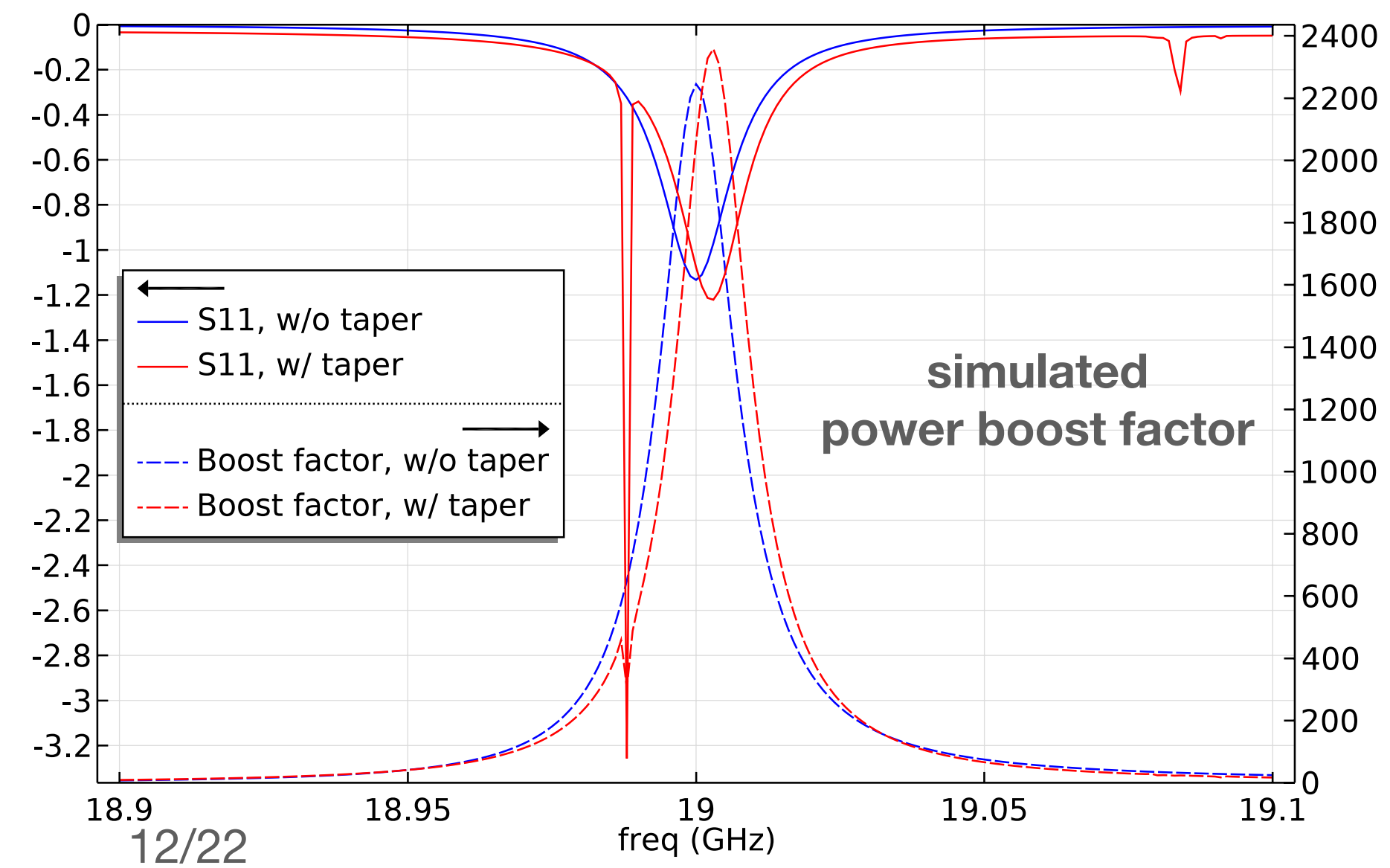
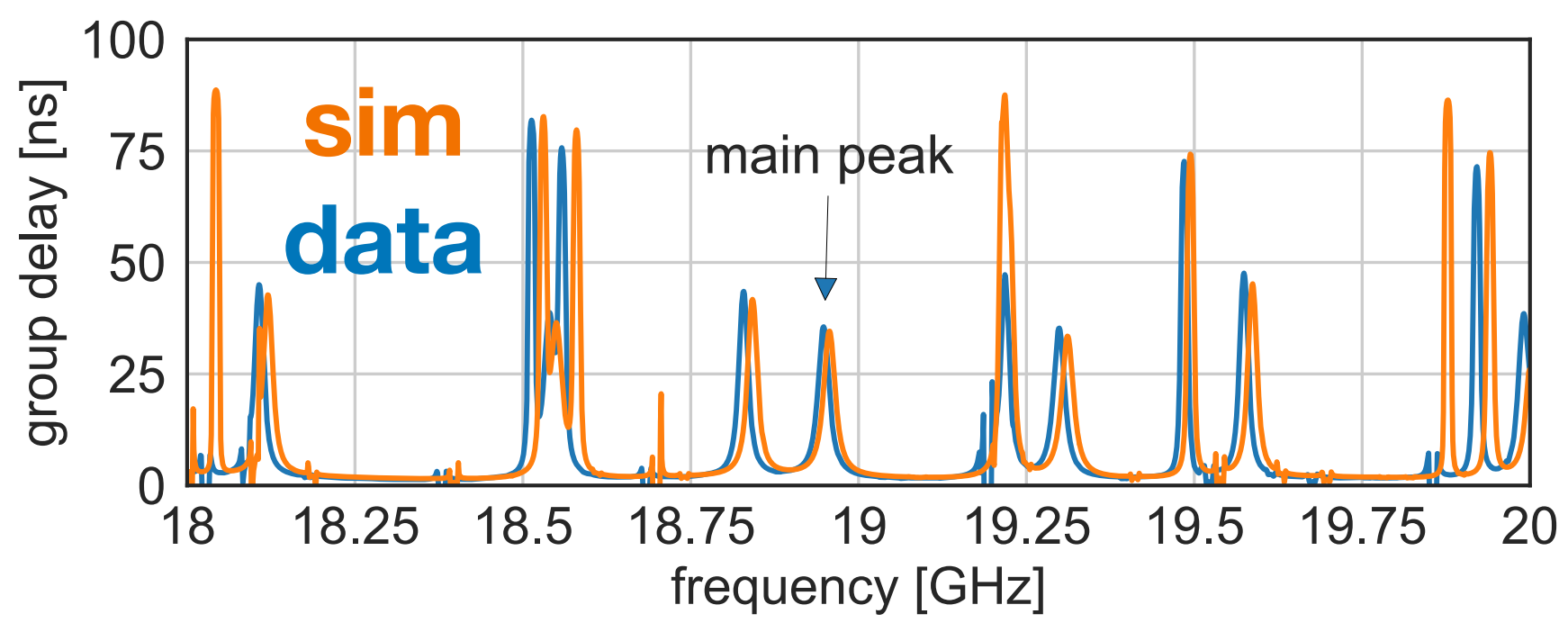
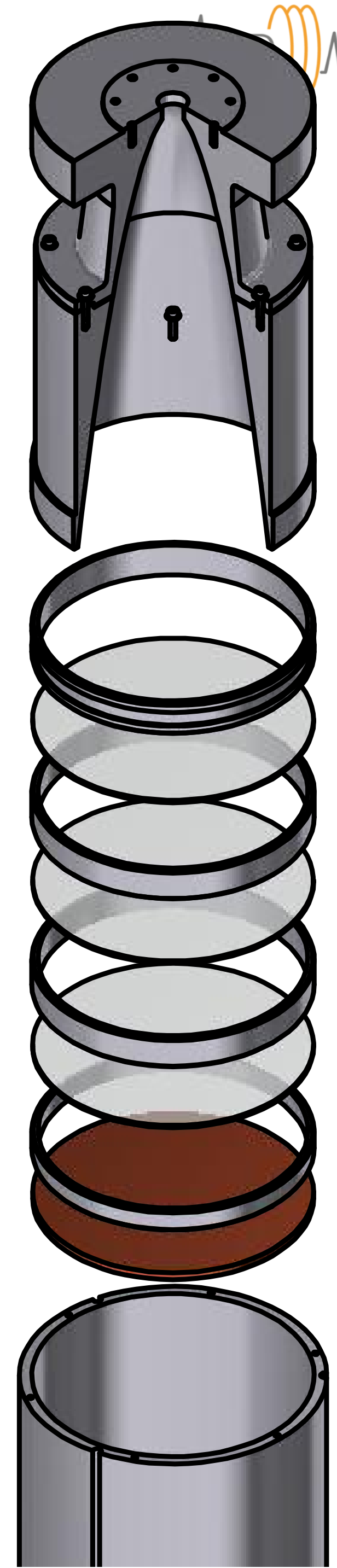
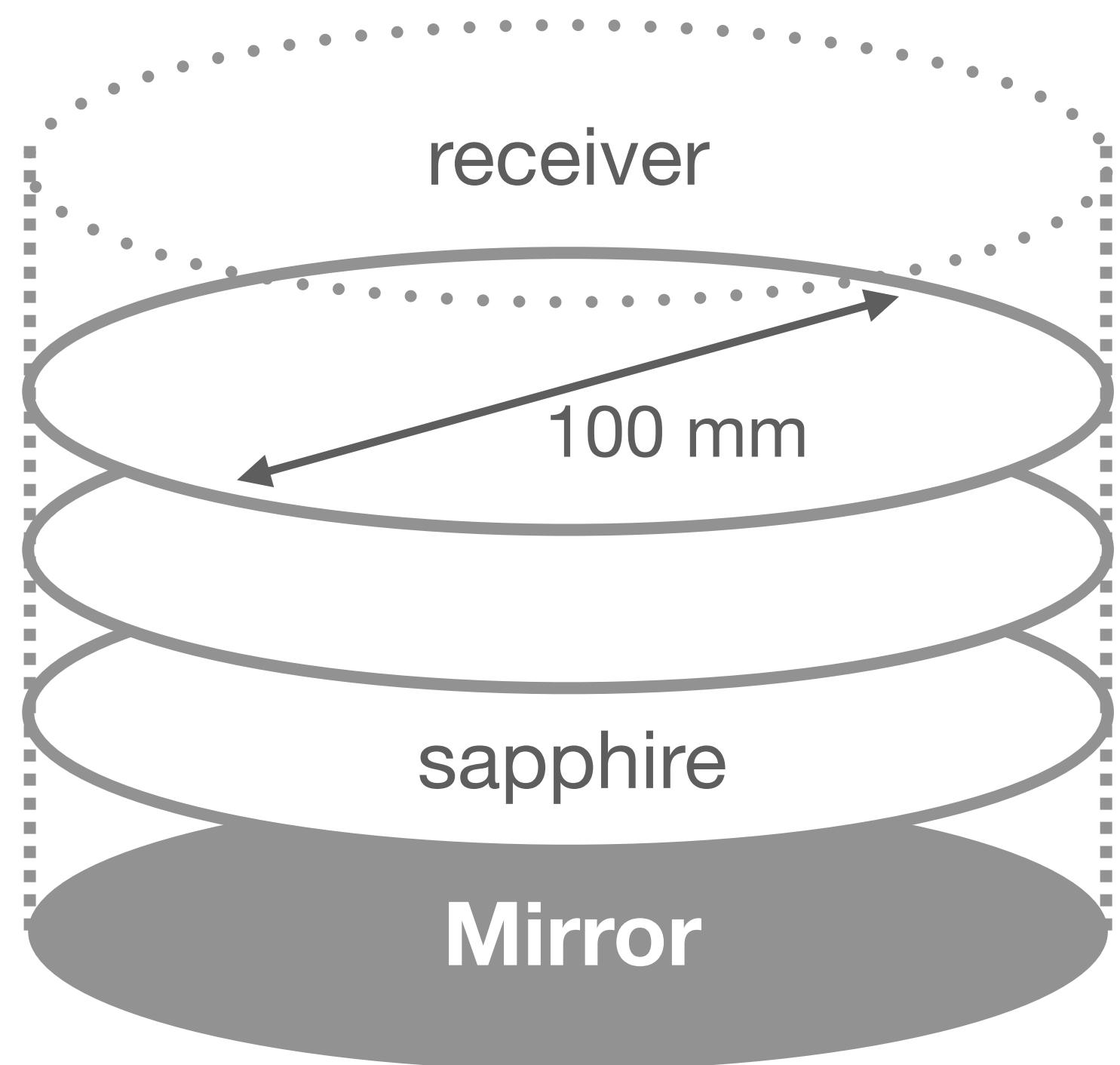
Mirror (not visible)



Closed booster

Verification of concept

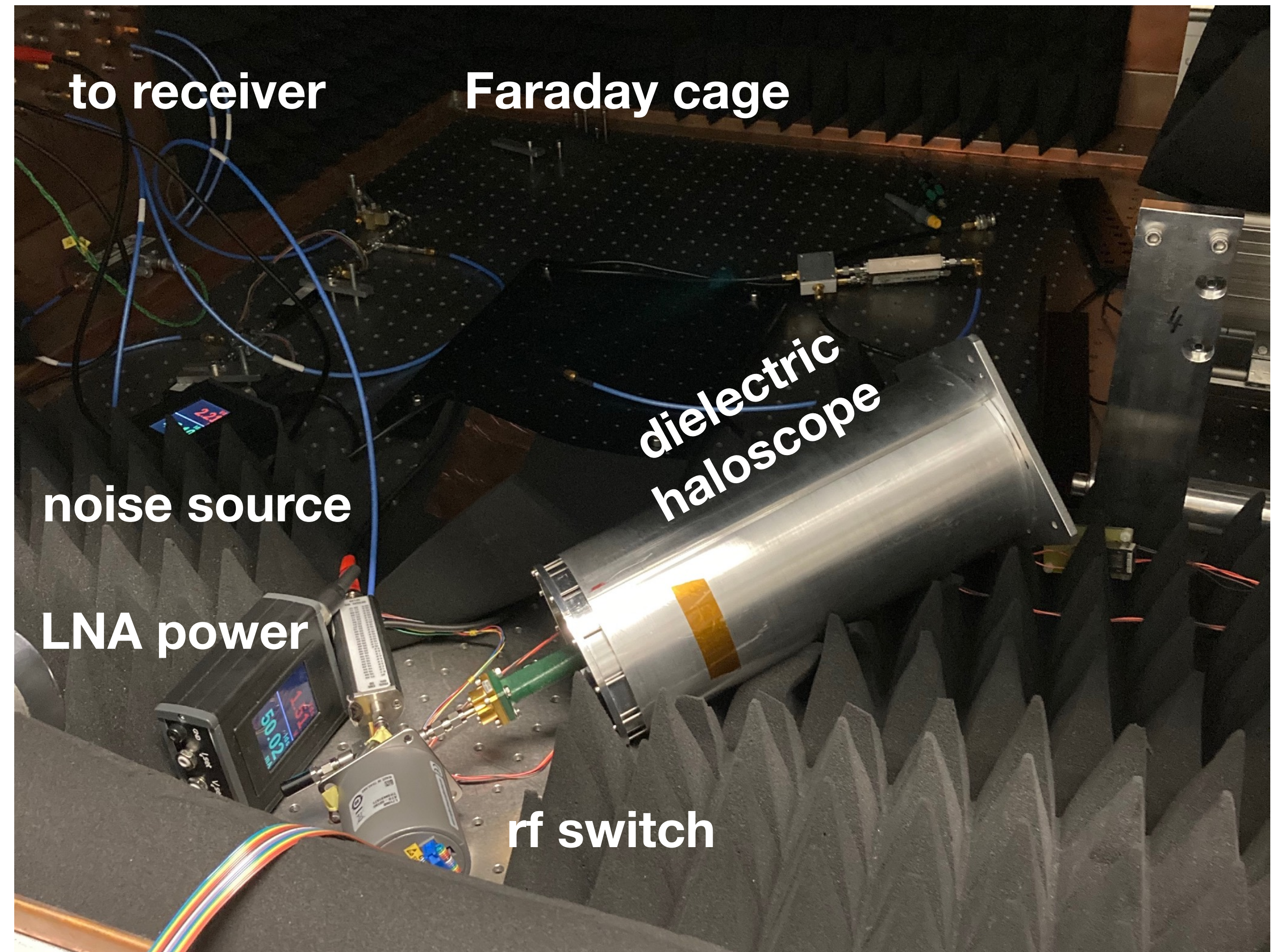
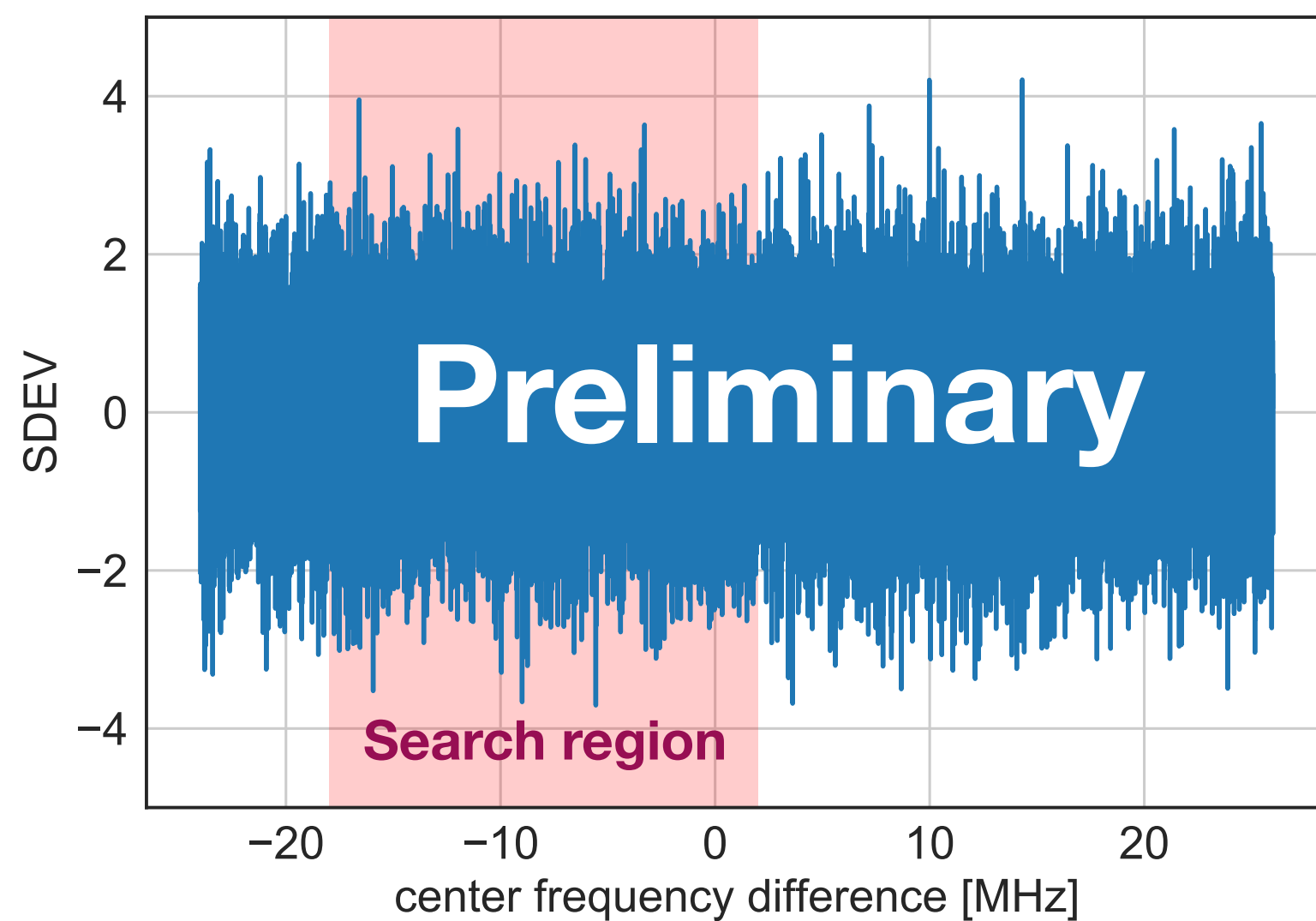
- A small & simple dielectric haloscope
 - “Closed”: conducting boundary
 - Understand the detector & its noise
 - First Axionic DM search
- Measured reflectivity agrees with the simulation



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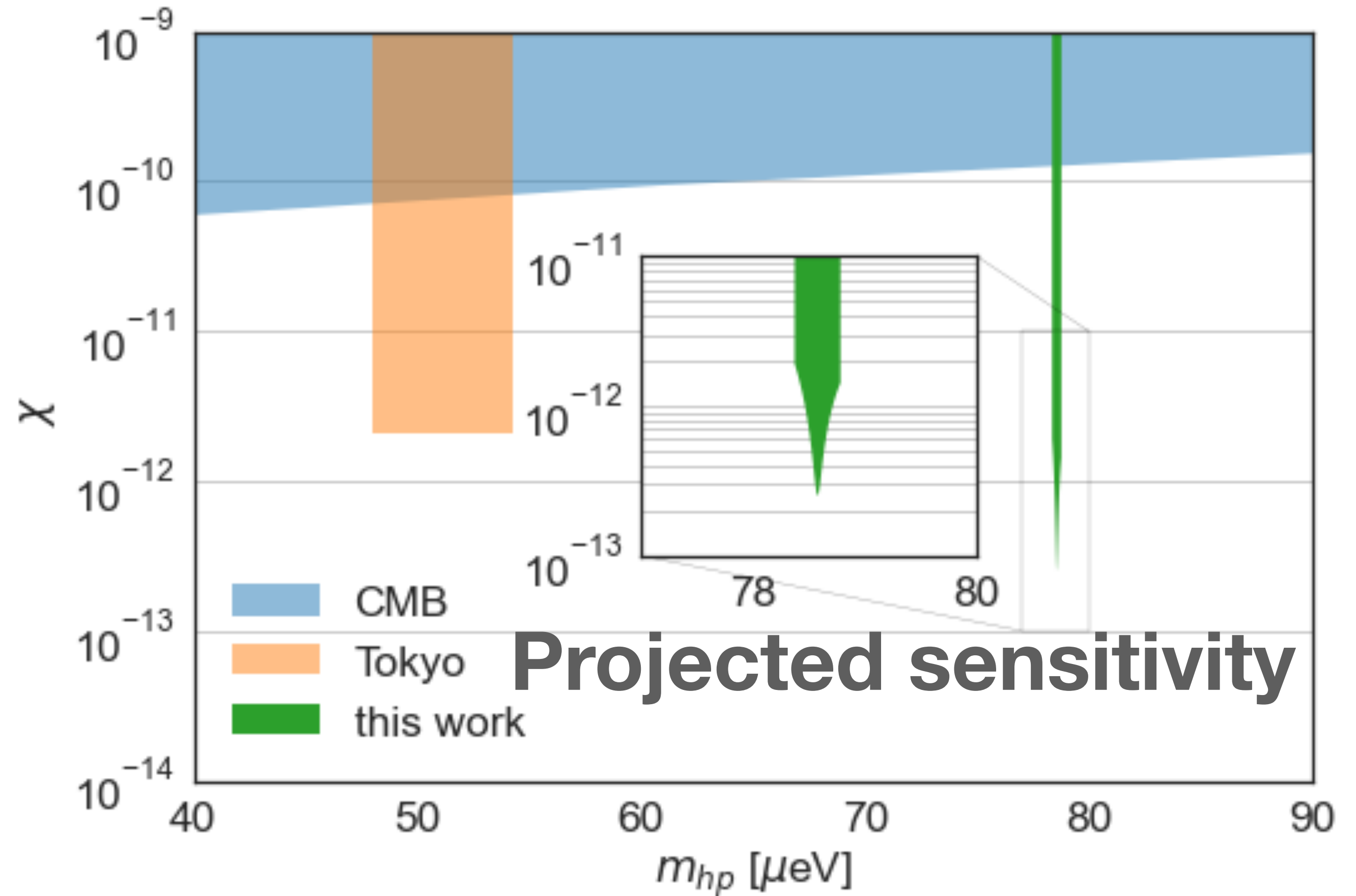
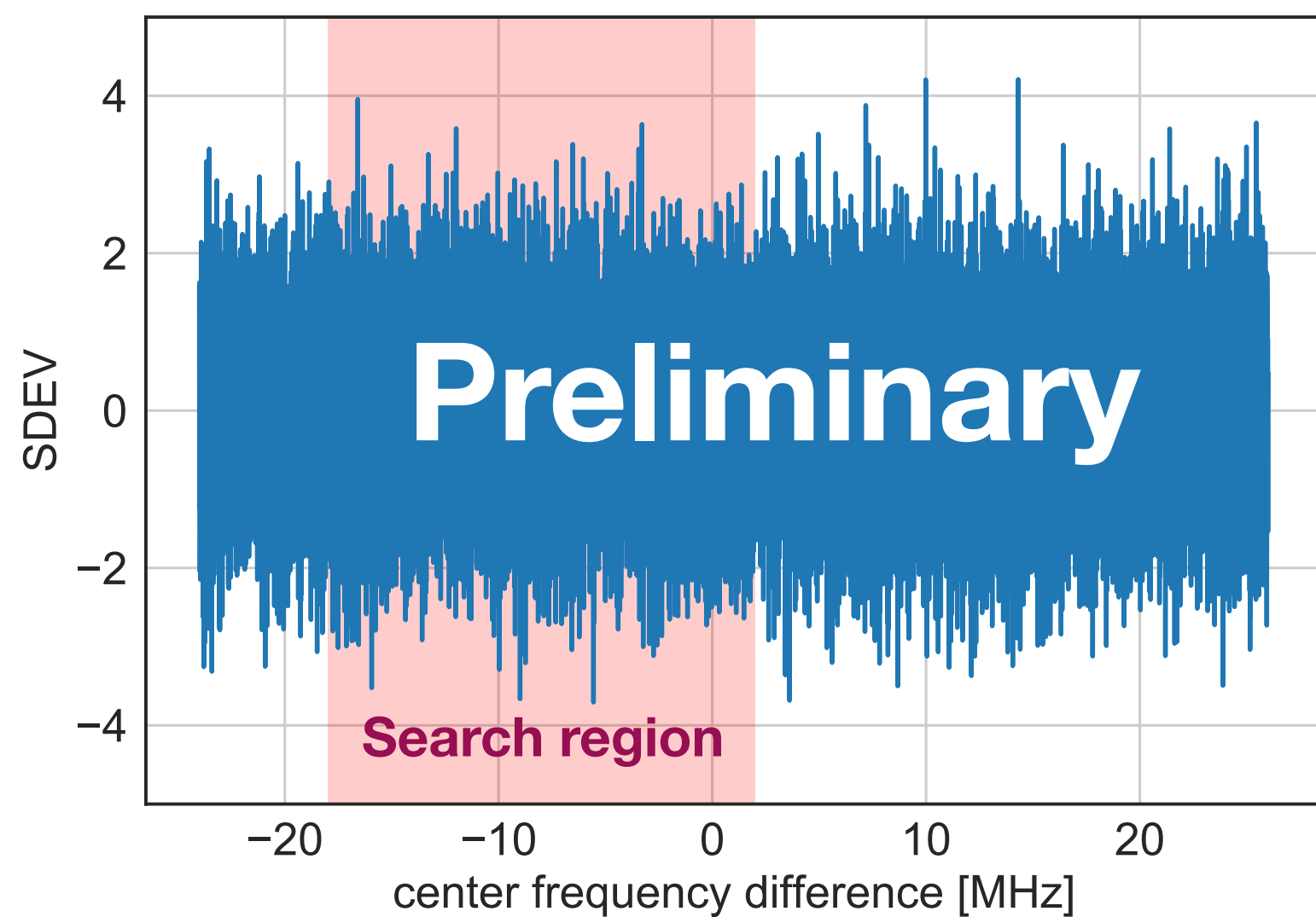
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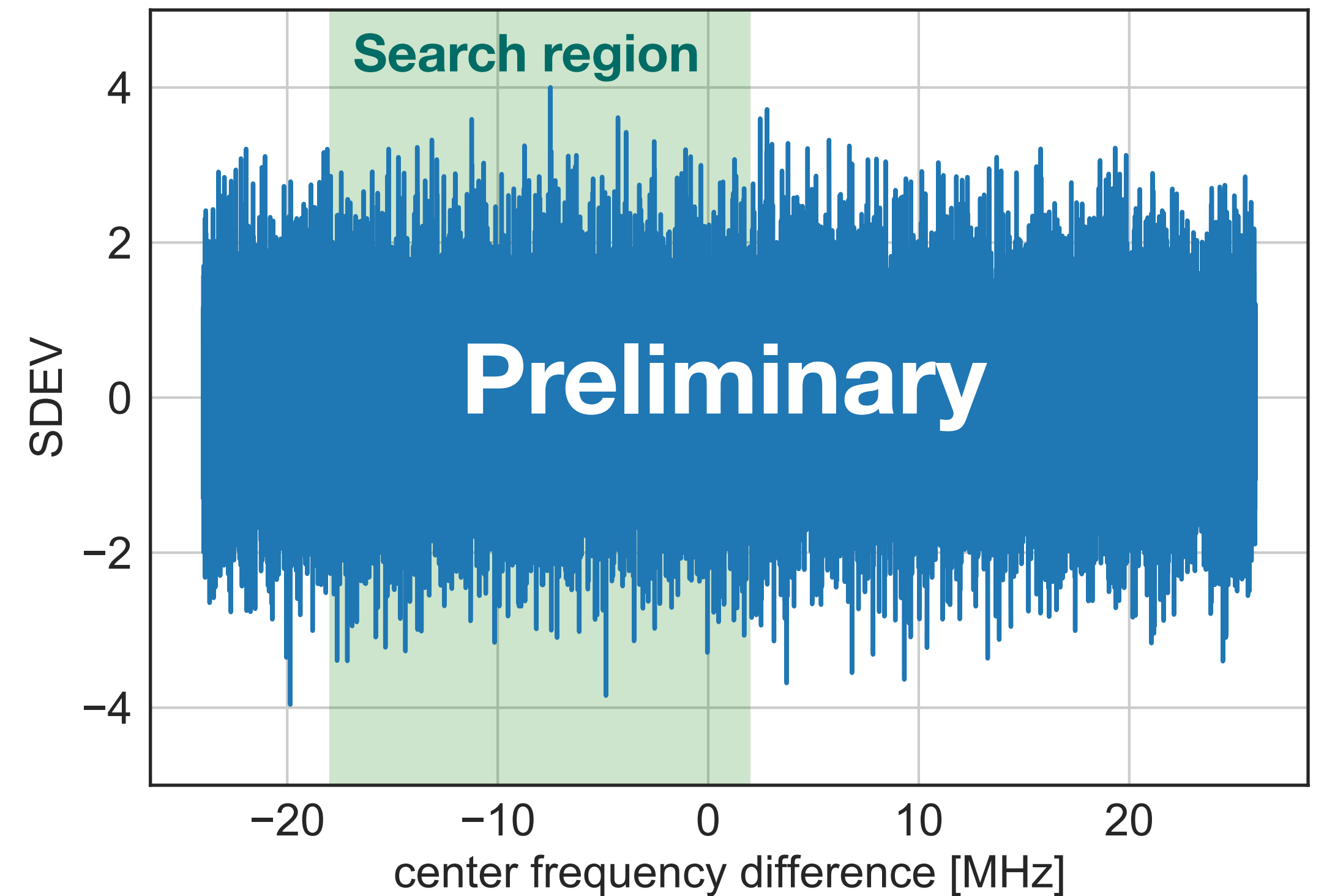
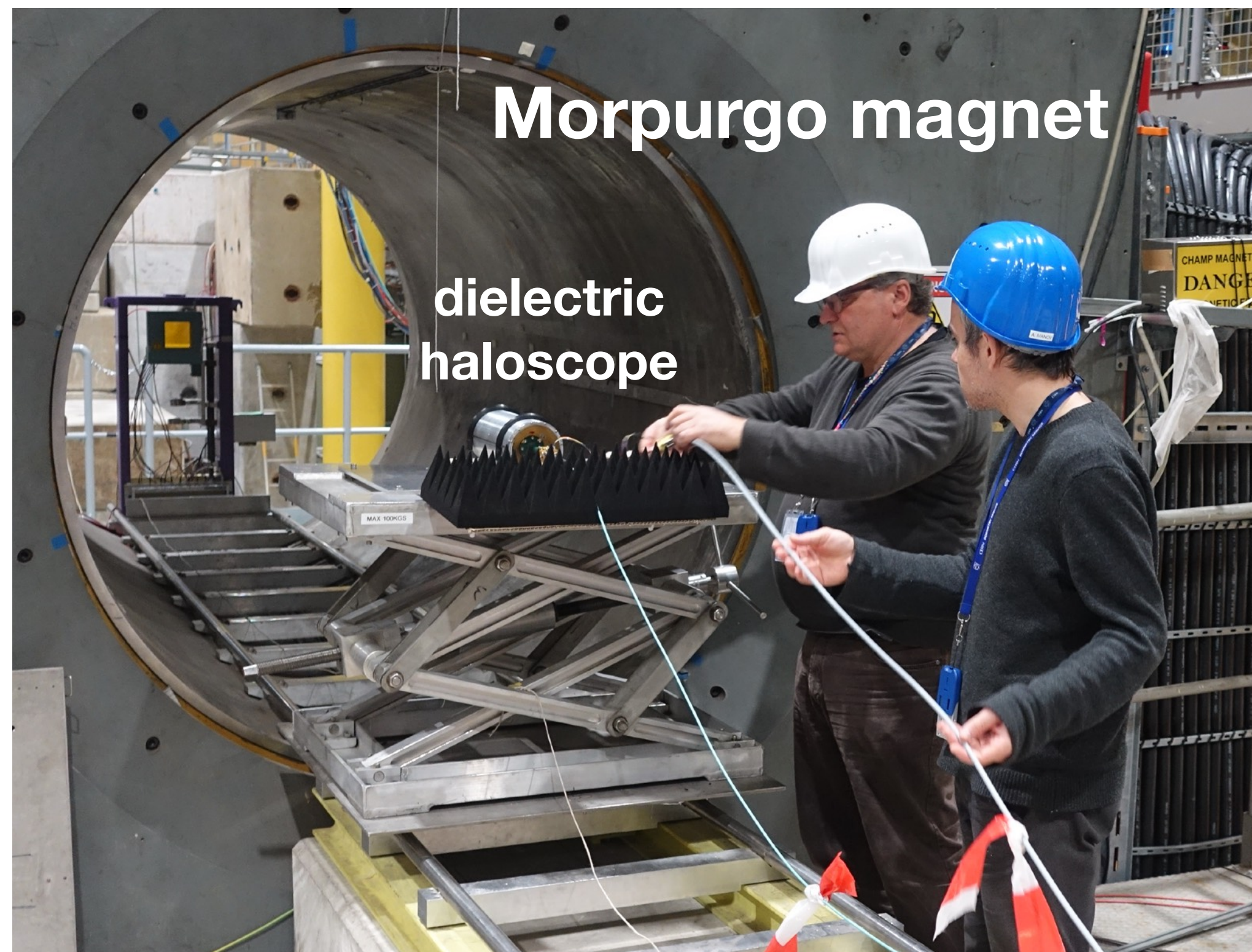
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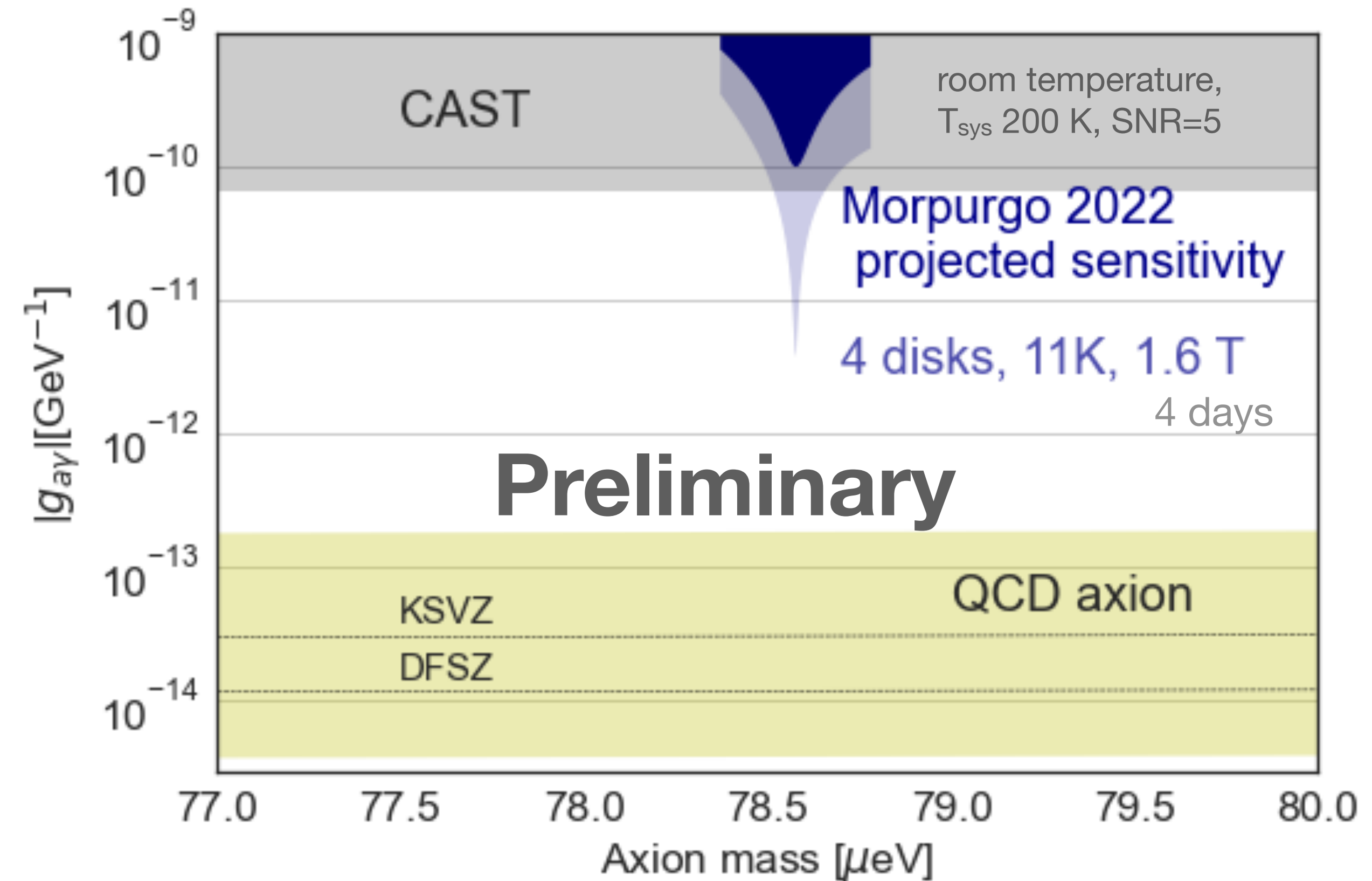
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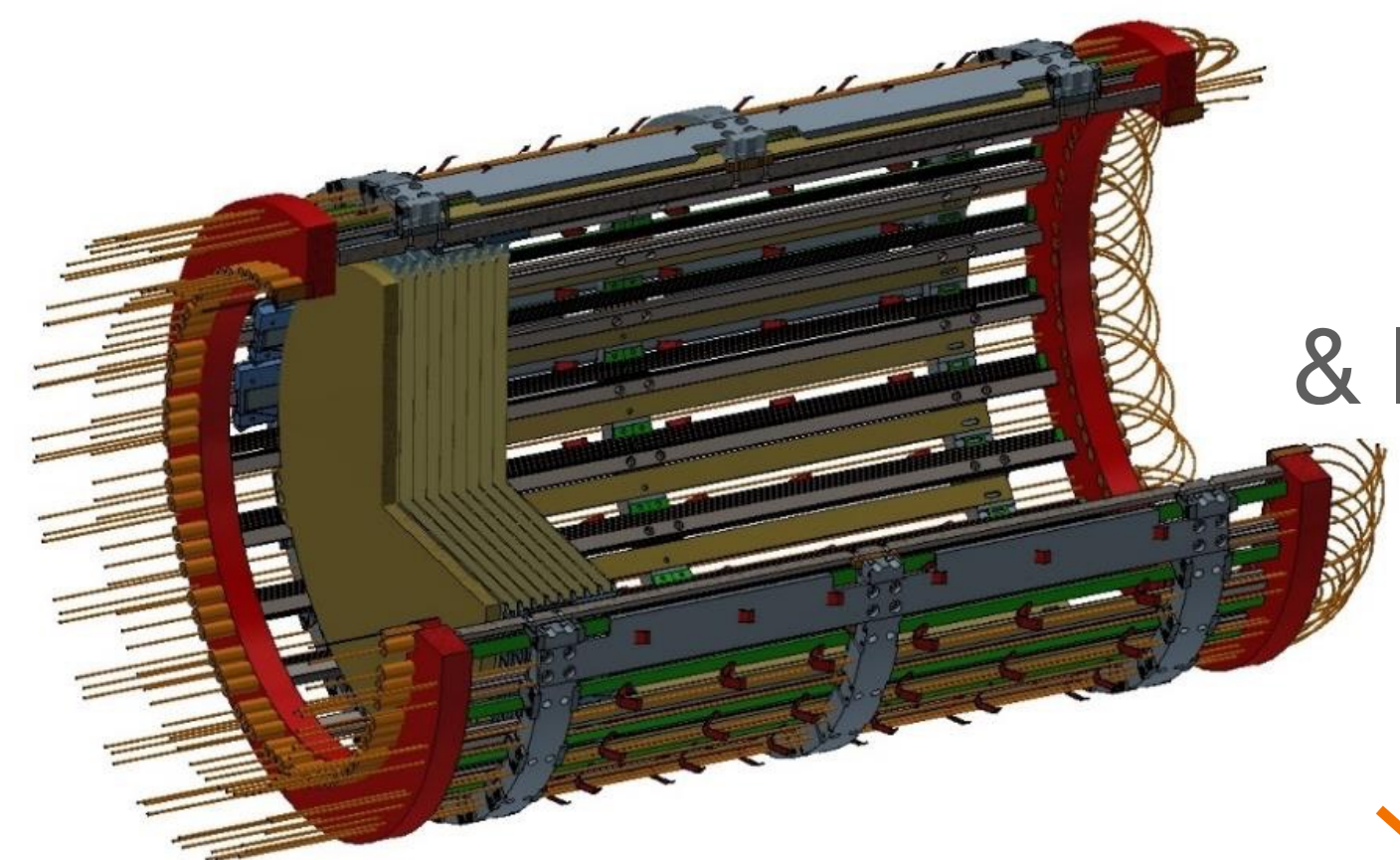
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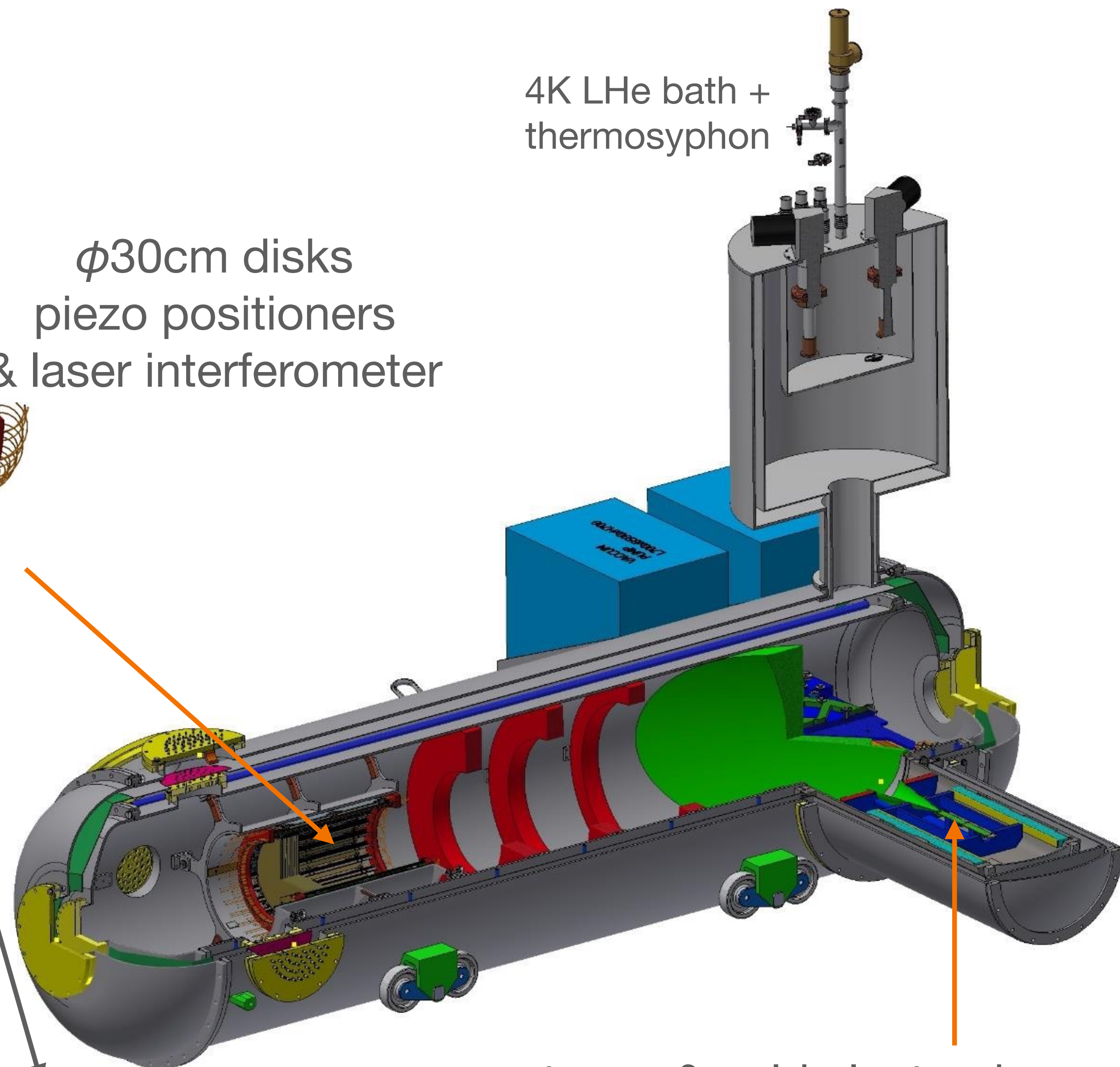
Future

MADMAX prototype



$\phi 30\text{cm}$ disks
piezo positioners
& laser interferometer

4K LHe bath +
thermosyphon



- Mechanical and rf feasibility test
- DFG funded!

To be commissioned at 

$\phi 1.2\text{ m}$

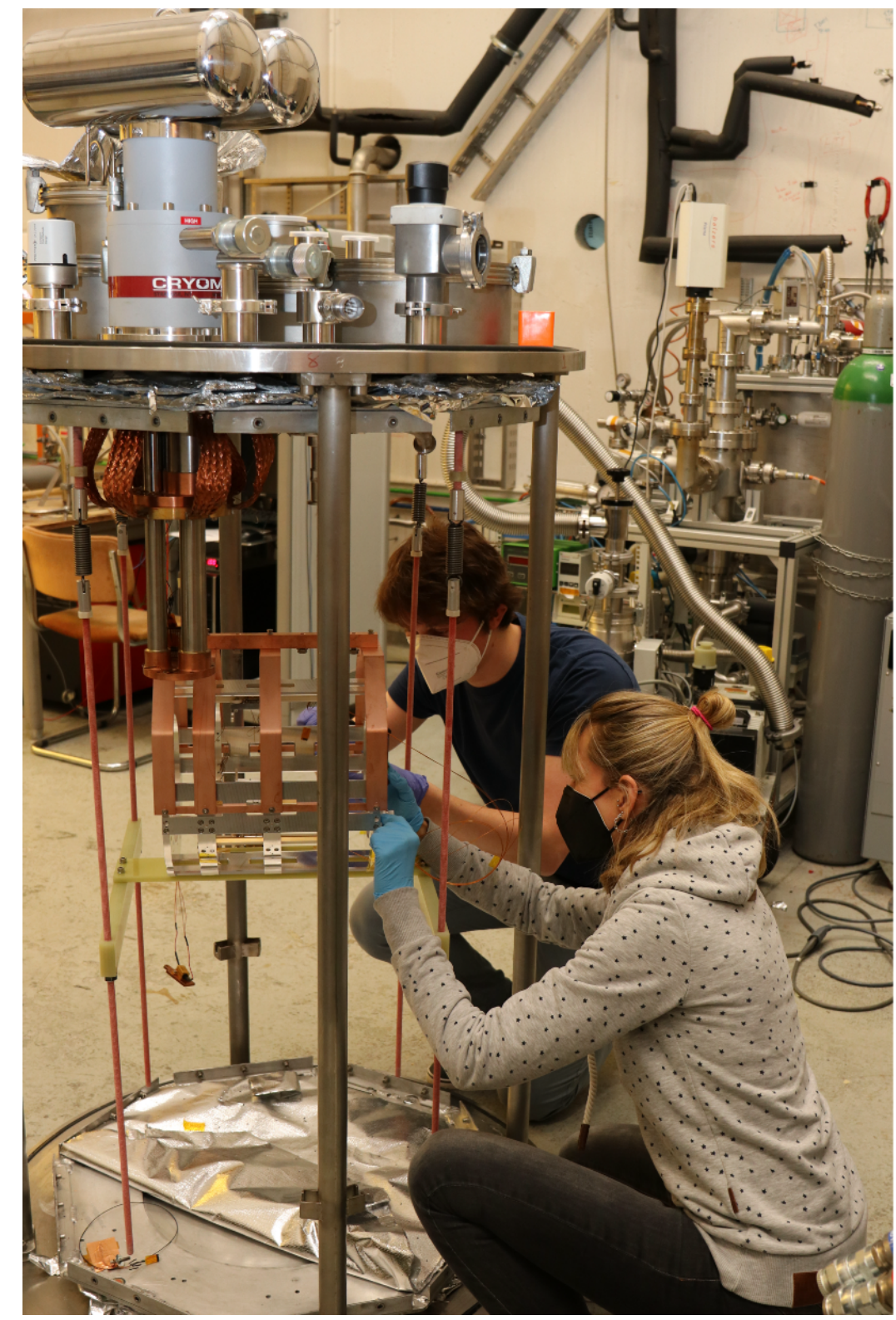
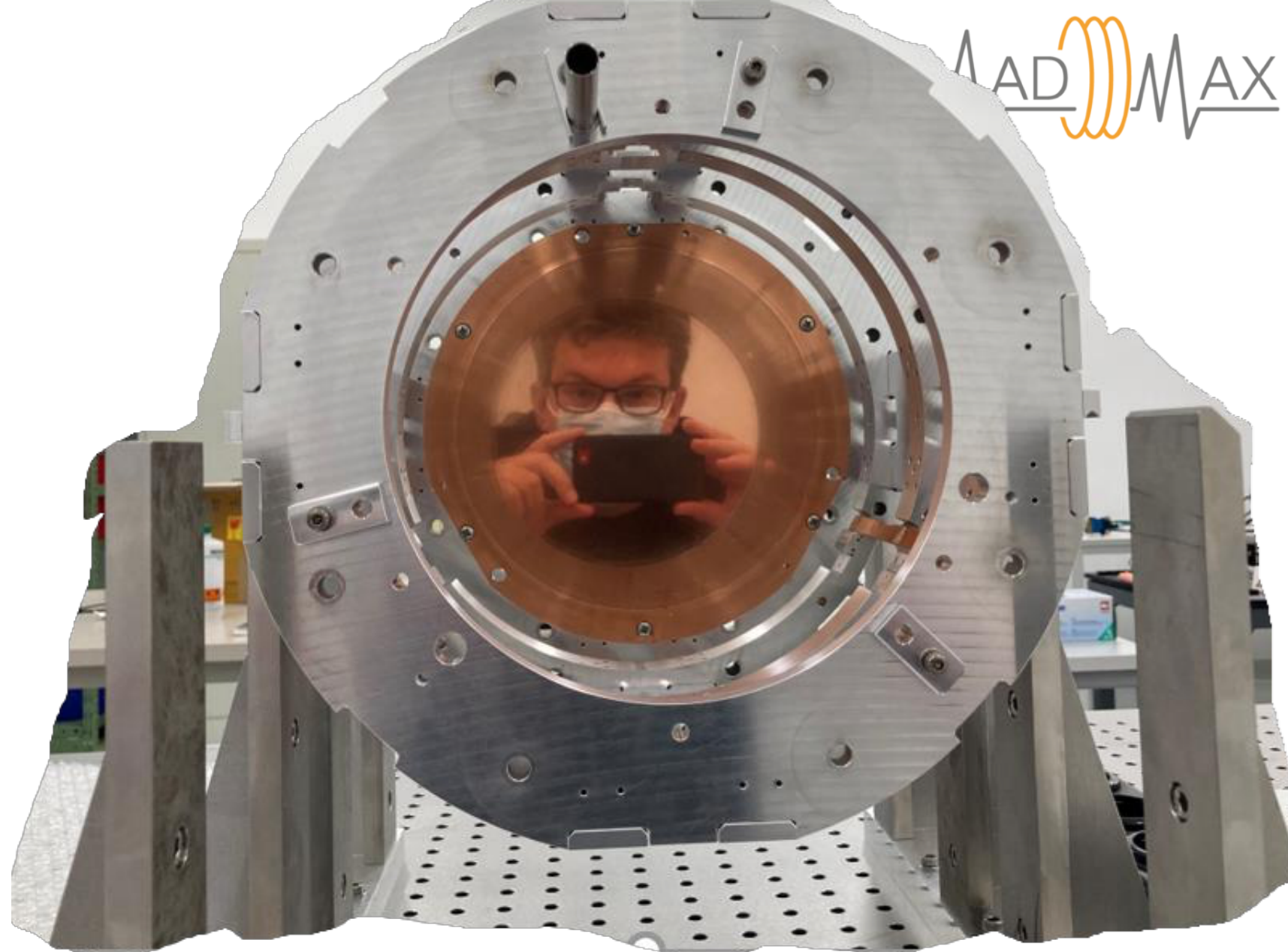
- Operation in Morpurgo until 2025 during the beam SPS shutdown periods

antenna & cold electronics

Mechanical feasibility R&D

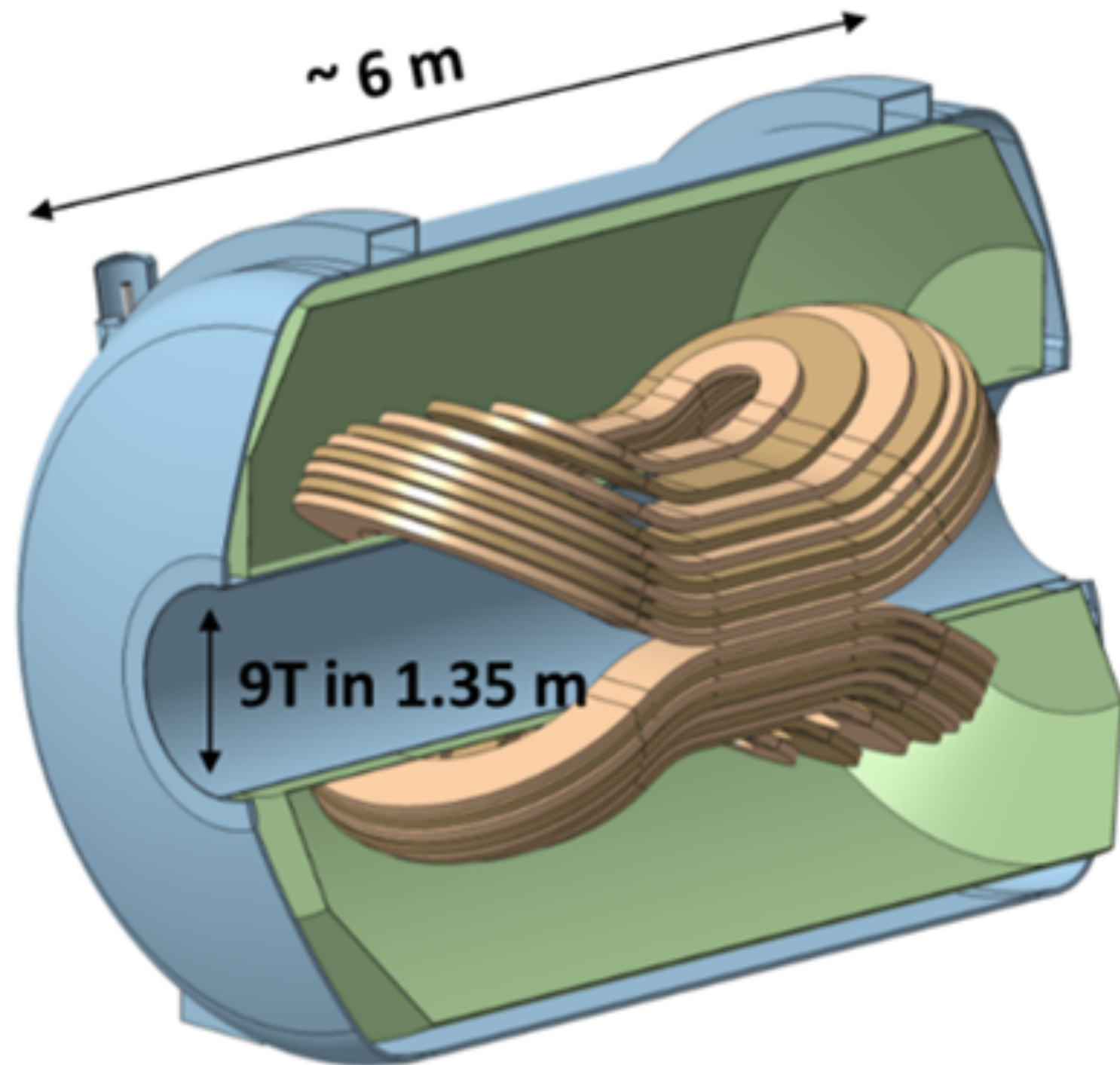
Milestones achieved!

- Can we operate the dielectric haloscope in high B, cryogenic temperature?
- Project200 ($\phi 200\text{mm}$ disks) successfully tested at CERN's cryolab and Morpurgo
- Piezo-motor operated inside the 5T ALPS II

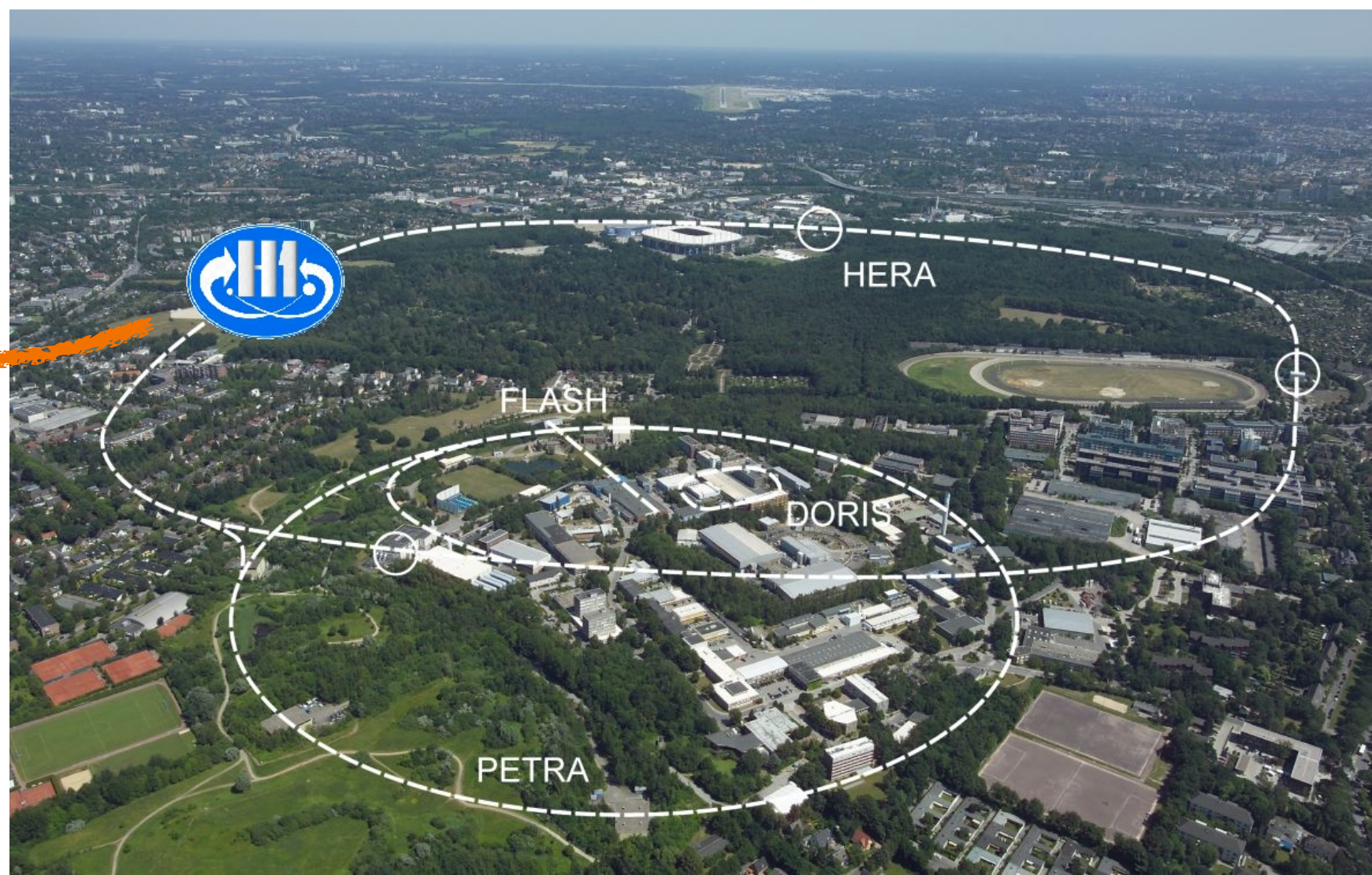
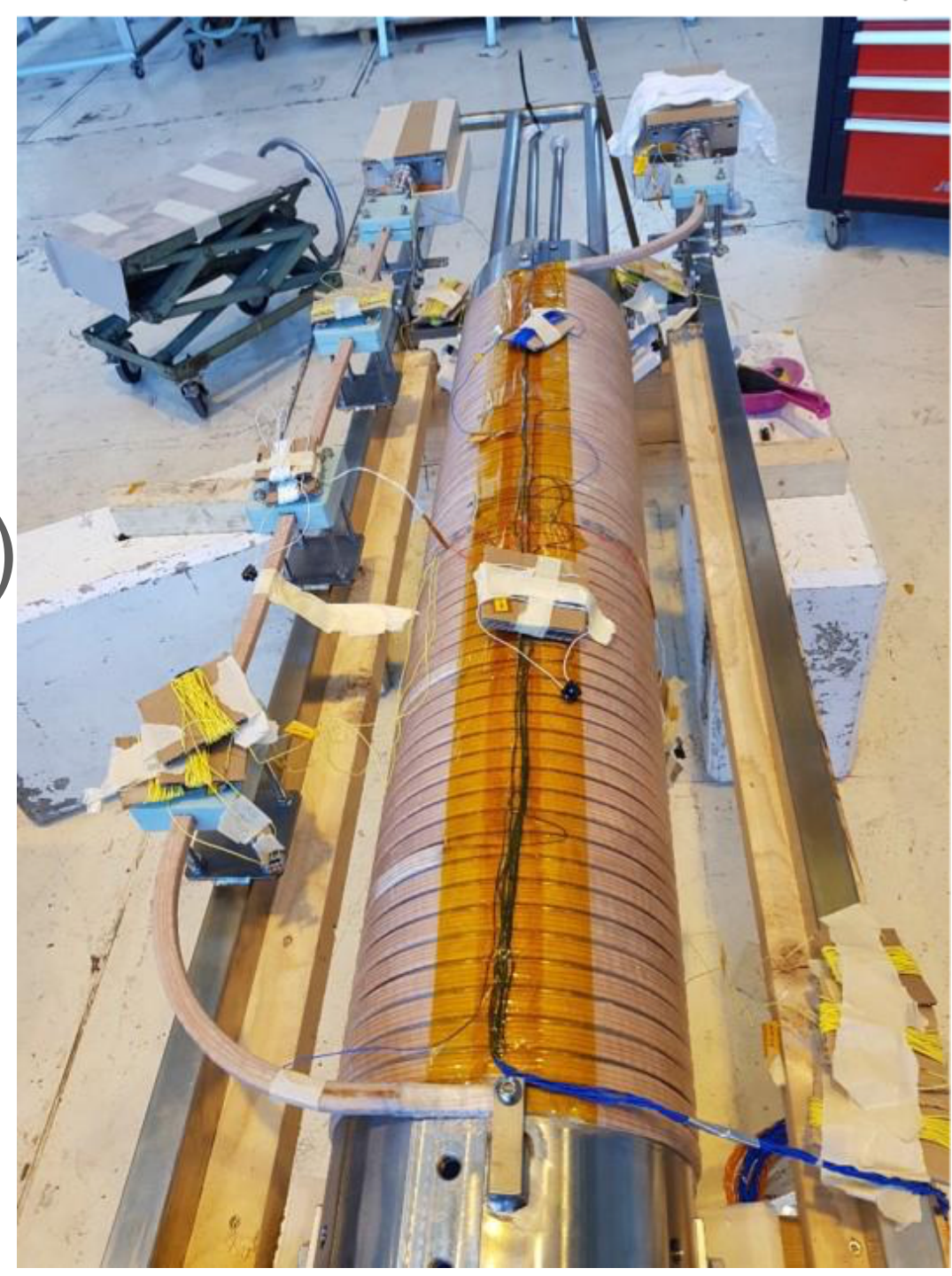


cryogenic piezo positioners

Full MADMAX Magnet



Conductor (NbTi in Cu jacket)
quench test successful!



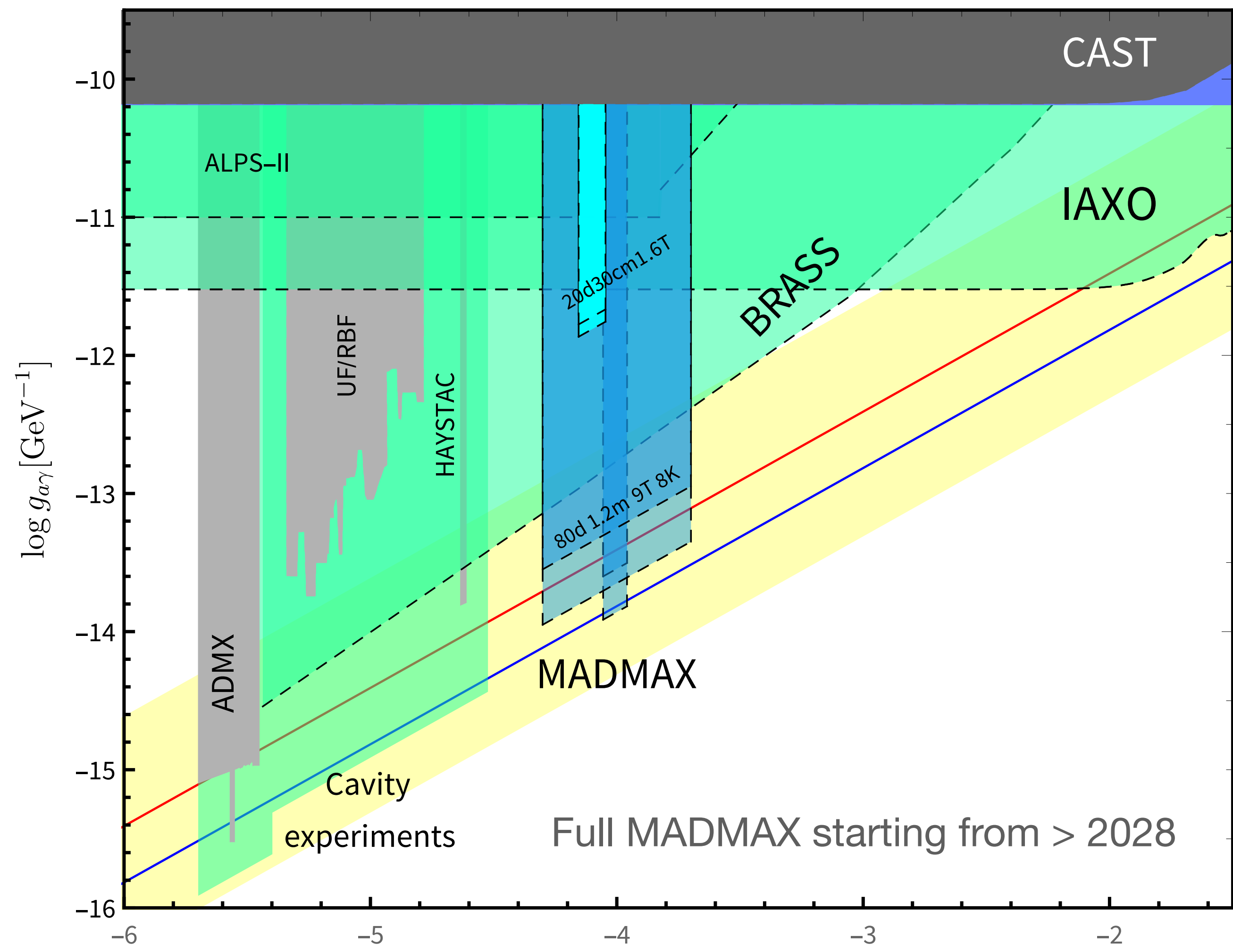
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Projected sensitivity



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$\log m_a [\text{eV}]$
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Summary & Conclusion

- Axion is a well-motivated DM candidate. Post-inflationary scenarios prefer $m_a > 40 \mu\text{eV}$.
- Dielectric haloscope is a promising concept. Intense activities to validate the concept using the closed booster and prototype.
- Piezo motor and P200 successfully operated in high B-field and cryogenic temperature.
- **First HP and ALP DM search** using a small setup. The analysis is ongoing.

