

MADMAX

A Dielectric Haloscope Experiment



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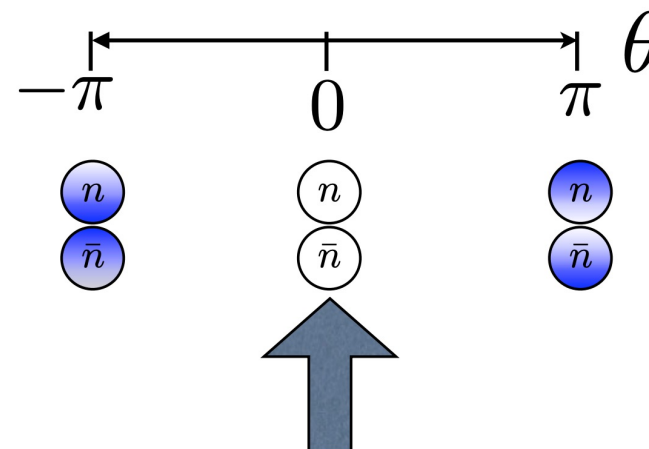
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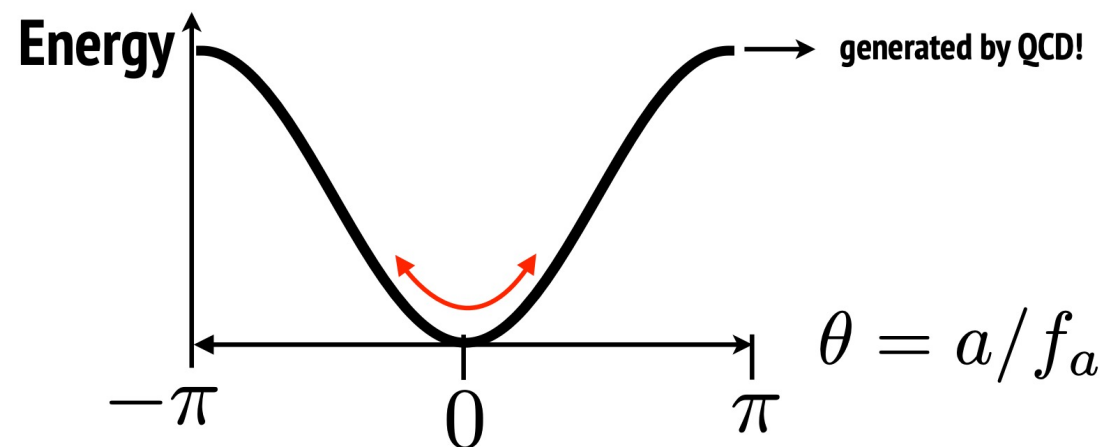
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- **Motivation**
- **Axion Dark Matter Searches**
- **MADMAX Experiment**
- **Status of R&D**

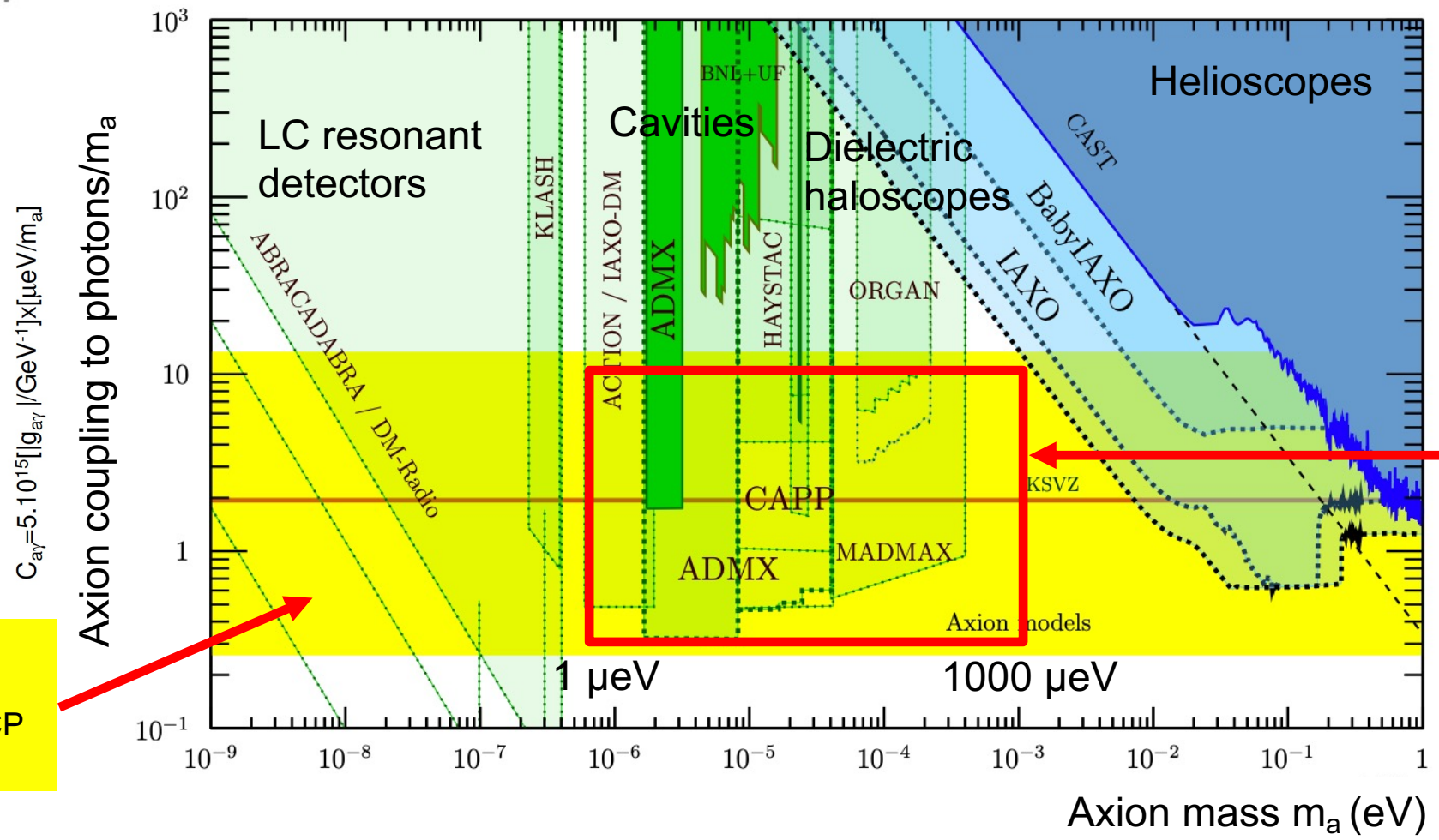
- Sources of CP-violation in the Standard Model
 - CP-violation **observed in weak interactions** (neutral Kaon system, 1964)
 - CPV phase measured in the quark-mixing CKM matrix ($\delta_{13} \sim 1.2$ rad)
 - CP-violation **not observed in the strong interactions**
 - CPV θ -term in QCD Lagrangian is allowed and should exist
 - But $|\theta| < 10^{-10}$ from neutron electron dipole moment measurements
- Lack of observed CP-violation in the strong interactions leads to the **Strong CP Problem**
 - **Why is θ so small?**
 - What if θ is not a fundamental constant?



- An elegant solution to the Strong CP Problem
 - **Peccei-Quinn Theory** (1977) introduces a new global U(1) symmetry
 - Spontaneously broken symmetry at a high energy scale $f_a \gg f_{EW}$
 - θ becomes a **dynamic field** ($\theta = a/f_a$), where a is a new light, neutral pseudoscalar boson
 - Leads to oscillations around the minimum, i.e. the **Axion** (Weinberg-Wilczek, 1978)
 - **Very weakly coupled to SM particles**
- Axion is a natural **candidate for Dark Matter**



Axion DM Searches



2020
2030

Favored Axion DM phase space

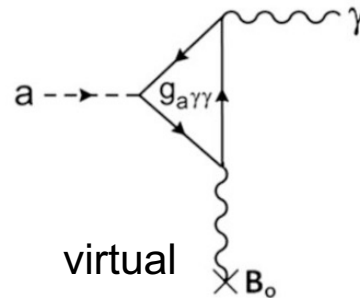
Detection concepts largely developed by **P. Sikivie**
Phys. Rev. Lett. **51**, 1415

Yellow band:
QCD axion
• Solving Strong CP problem

- Limited region of Axion DM phase space explored by cavity experiments (e.g. ADMX)
- Higher mass region (i.e. 10 – 1000 μeV) still unexplored
- Promising R&D in **dielectric haloscopes** for probing the high mass region (40-400 μeV)

- The **MA**gnetized **D**isk and **M**irror **A**xion **eX**periment (a novel Dielectric Haloscope)
- Search for **Axion dark matter** in the mass range **40 μeV – 400 μeV** (10 GHz – 100 GHz)
- Stack of adjustable, parallel **dielectric disks** ($\sim 1 \text{ m}^2$) in front of a highly reflective **mirror**
- Disks and mirror (i.e. “Booster”) surrounded by a strong ($\sim 10 \text{ T}$) static **magnetic field**
- Constructive interference among different sources boost signal to detectable levels (10^{-23} - 10^{-22} W)
- Power measured in a **heterodyne receiver** (i.e. frequency mixing and down-conversion)
- Current status: **extensive prototyping phase** in progress
- First tests of scaled-down prototypes in CERN’s 1.6 T MORPURGO magnet scheduled for 2022

Primakoff effect
Axion to photon conversion



e.g. 100 μeV axion \rightarrow 25 GHz photon



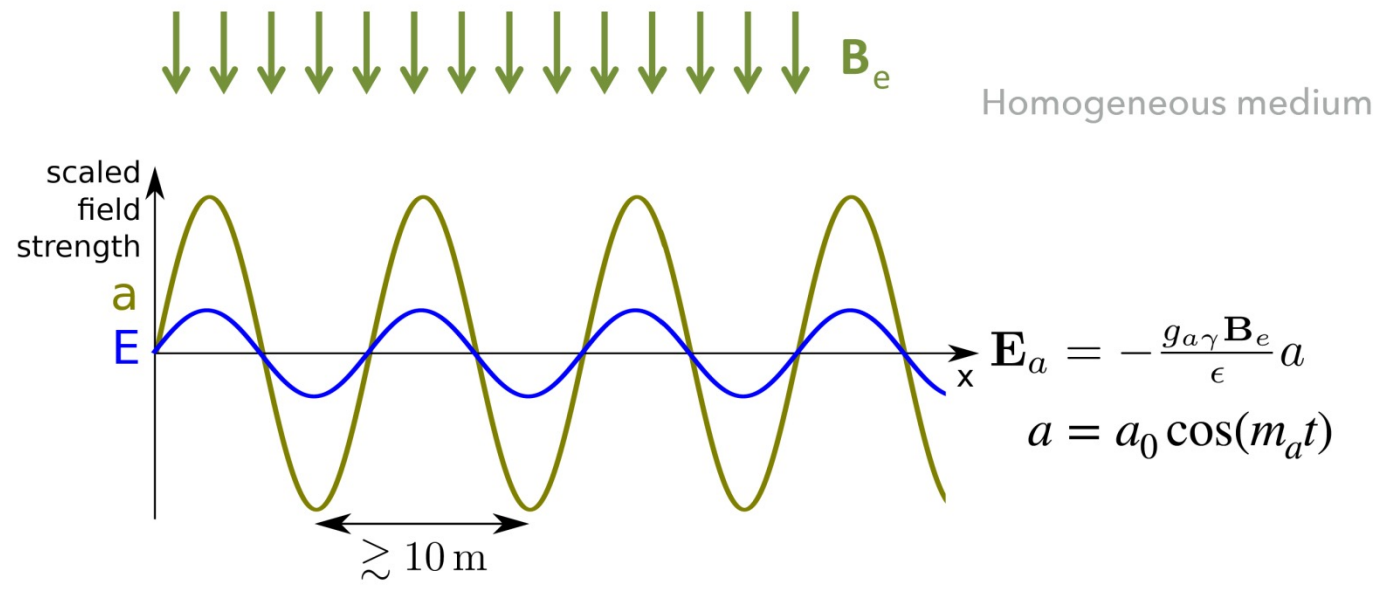
~50 people
9 institutes

Collaboration formed October 18, 2017

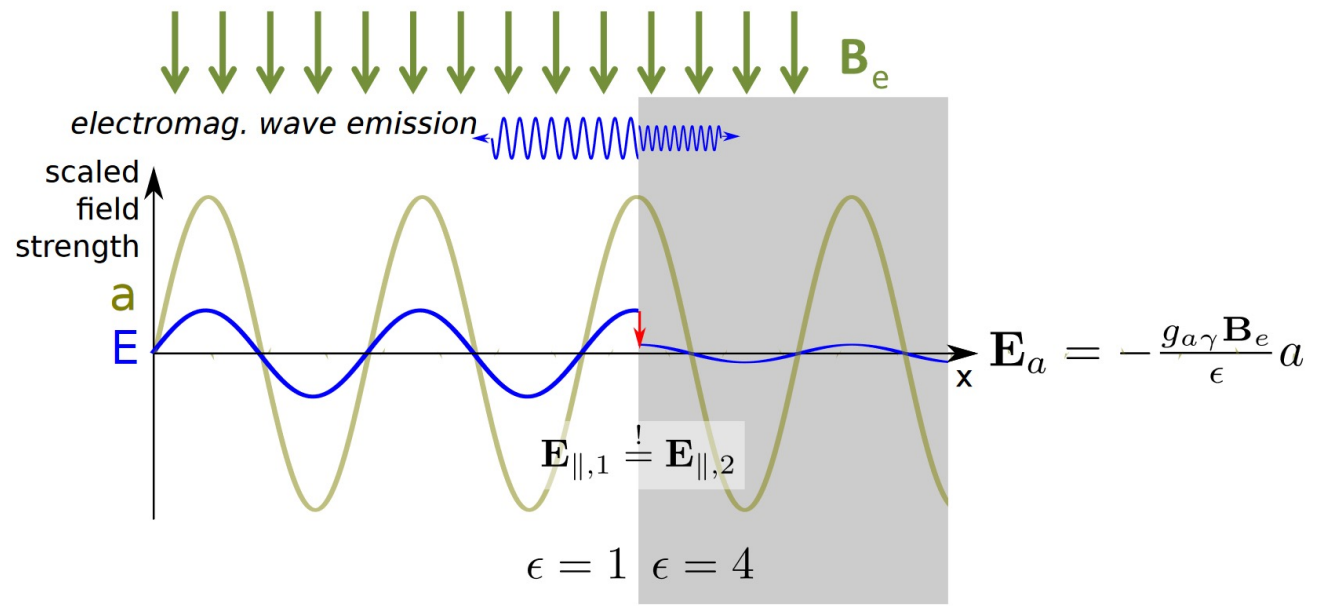
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- DESY Hamburg, Germany
- Néel Institute, Grenoble, France
- MPI für Physik, Munich, Germany
- MPI für Radioastronomie, Bonn, Germany
- RWTH Aachen, Germany
- University of Hamburg, Germany
- University of Tübingen, Germany
- University of Zaragoza, Spain



Dielectric Haloscope Concept



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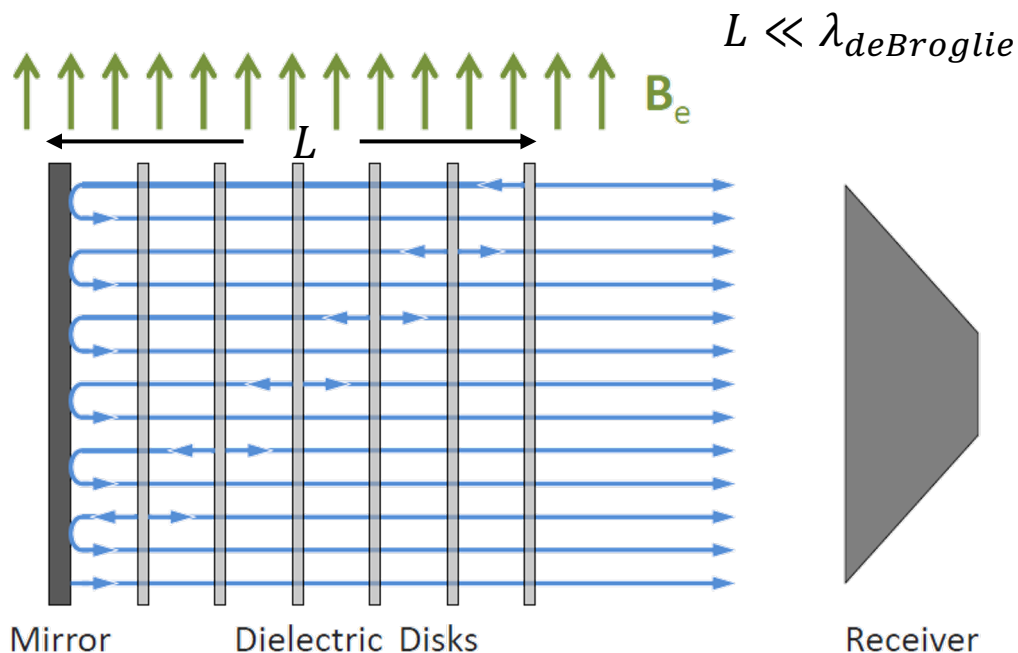
E_a is different in materials with different ϵ

E_{\parallel} must be continuous at the surface

Leads to emission of EM waves

Power emitted at a vacuum-to-perfect-conductor interface:

$$P_{\text{sig}} = 2.2 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{W} \left(\frac{\text{A}}{1\text{m}^2} \right) \left(\frac{\text{B}_e}{10\text{T}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{g_{a\gamma}}{m_a} \right)^2 \quad \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{g_{a\gamma}}{m_a} \right) = 1$$



- Power enhancement comes from 2 sources:
- **Coherent emission** from multiple interfaces
 - **Resonance** effects between interfaces

Power “Boost factor” β^2

$$\beta^2 = \frac{P_{\text{booster}}}{P_{\text{mirror only}}}$$

Output power P of a dielectric haloscope:

$$P_{\text{sig}} = 2.2 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{W} \left(\frac{A}{1\text{m}^2} \right) \left(\frac{B_e}{10\text{T}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{g_{\text{ay}}}{m_a} \right)^2 \beta^2$$

Search for: 40 – 400 μeV CDM axion

Signal: 10 – 100 GHz signal

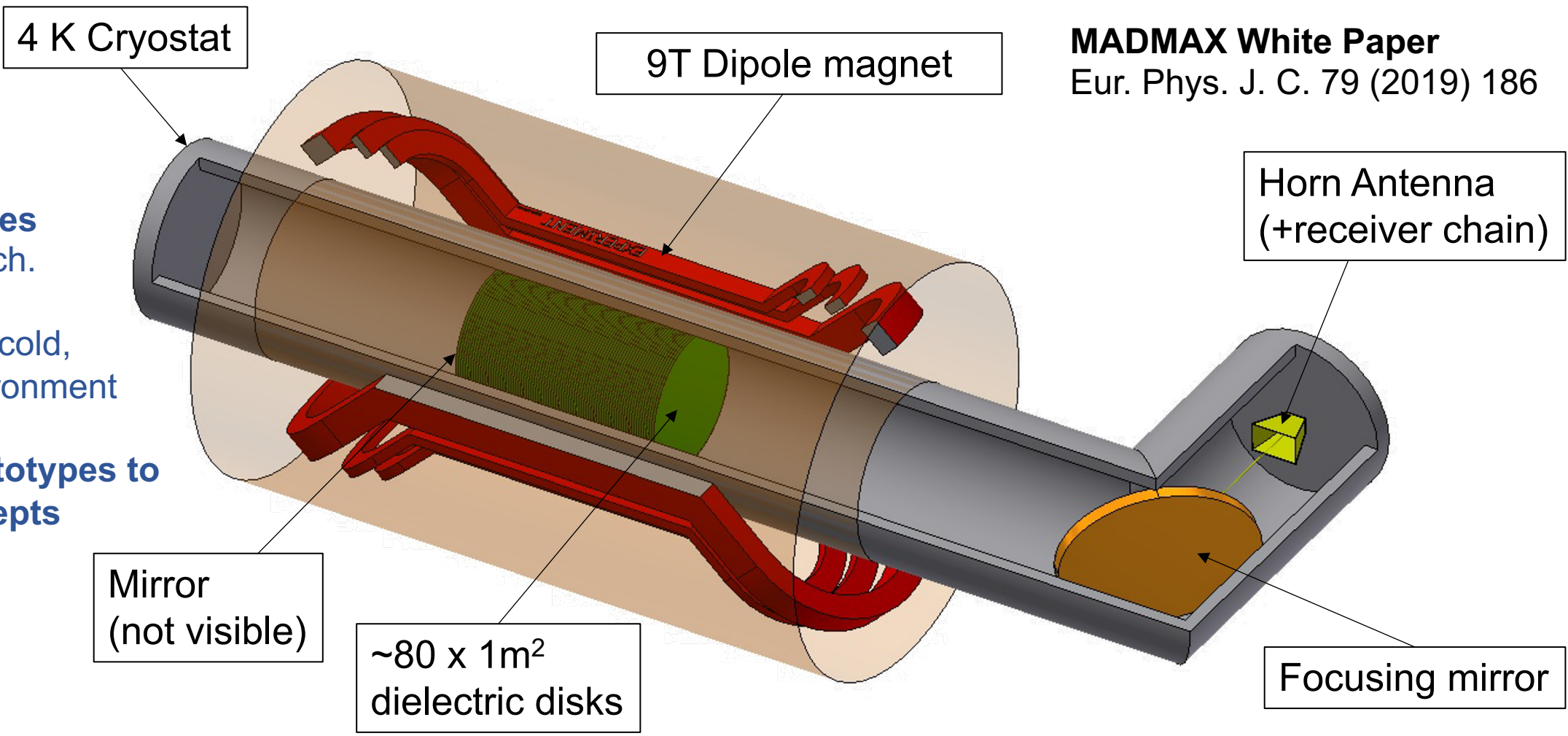
$\beta^2 > 5 \cdot 10^4$ required to detect QCD axion

MADMAX White Paper
Eur. Phys. J. C. 79 (2019) 186

Main challenges

- Booster mech.
- Magnet
- Receiver at cold, B-field environment

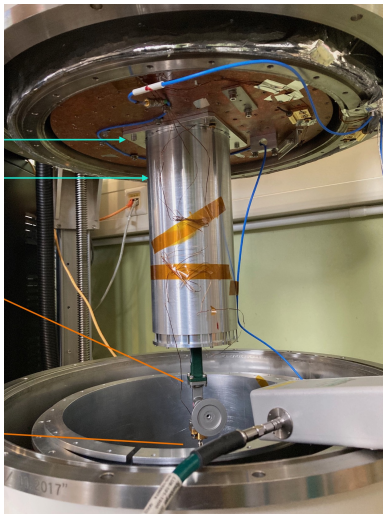
Start with prototypes to validate concepts



- Test smaller prototypes at room temperature, cold (4K), and in B-field (1.6 T)

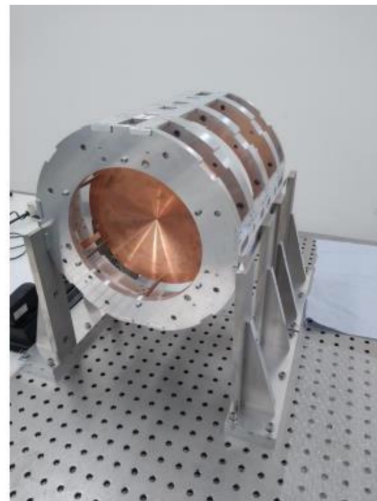
Name	acronym	disc diameter [mm]	Nr. of discs	Availability	Lab of tests (warm, cold, B-field)
Closed booster 100	CB100	100	3	2021	MPI, CERN
Closed booster 200	CB200	200	≥ 3	2022	
Project 200	P200	200	1	2021	UHH, DESY, CERN
Reduced booster	r-booster	300	≥ 3	2023	UHH, CERN
Prototype booster	P-booster	300	20	2024	

CB100 @ MPI



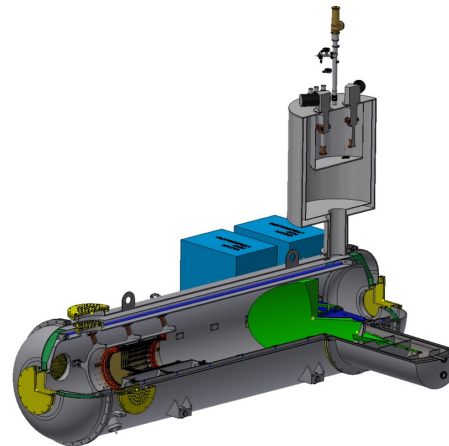
Tested at RT and 4K
(2021-2022)

P200 @ UHH



Tests planned in
Morpurgo magnet
(2022-2023)

r/P-Boosters @ UHH



SHielded Exp. haLL
(SHELL) now available

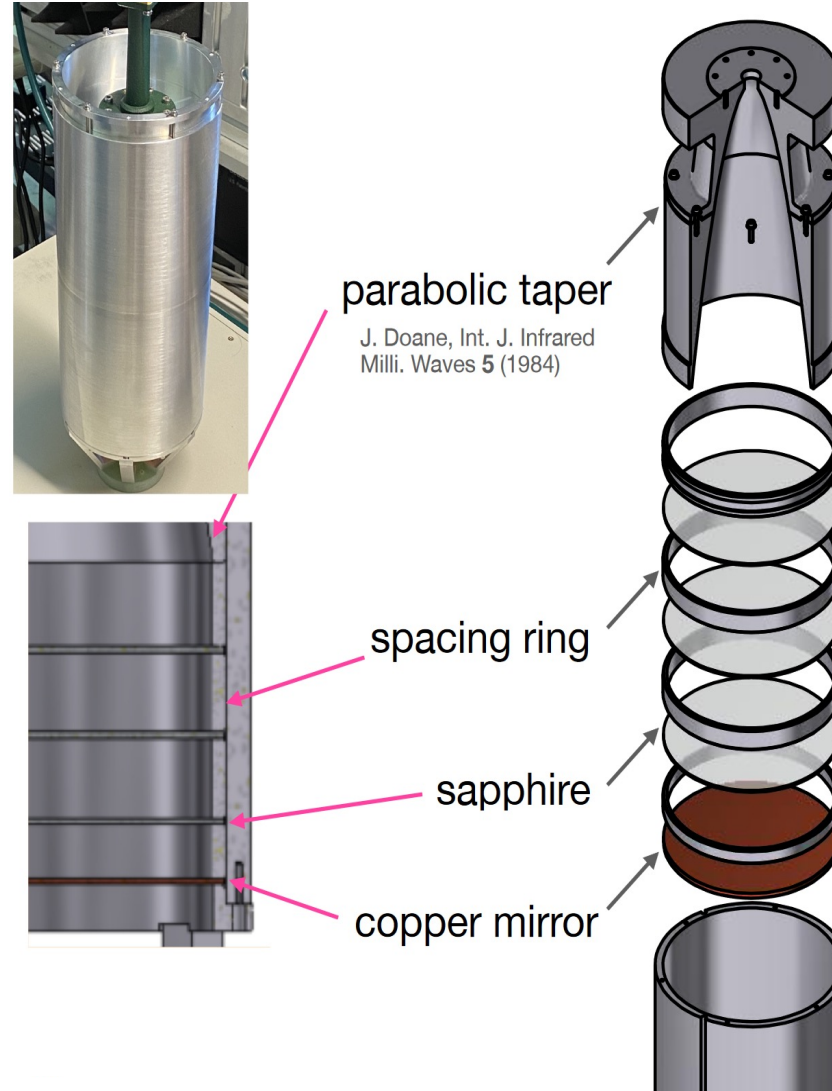
All proto. to be tested in 1.6T
MORPURGO magnet @ CERN



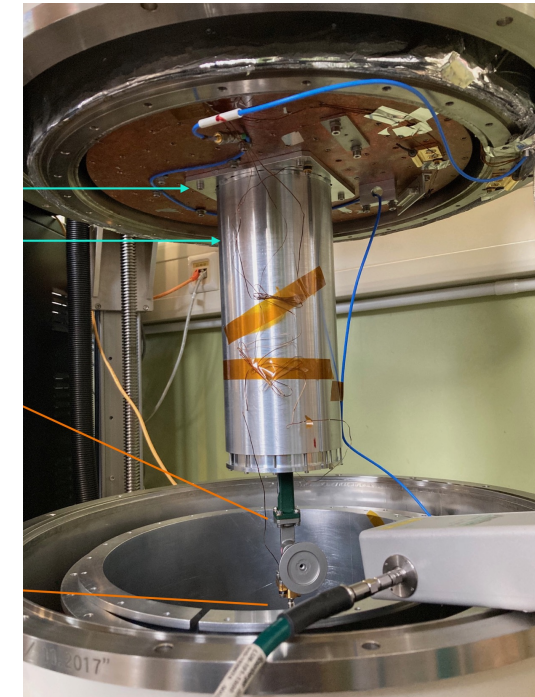
Approved by CERN in 2020
Area prepared for MADMAX
Tests begin March 2022.

■ Closed Booster concept (developed at MPI)

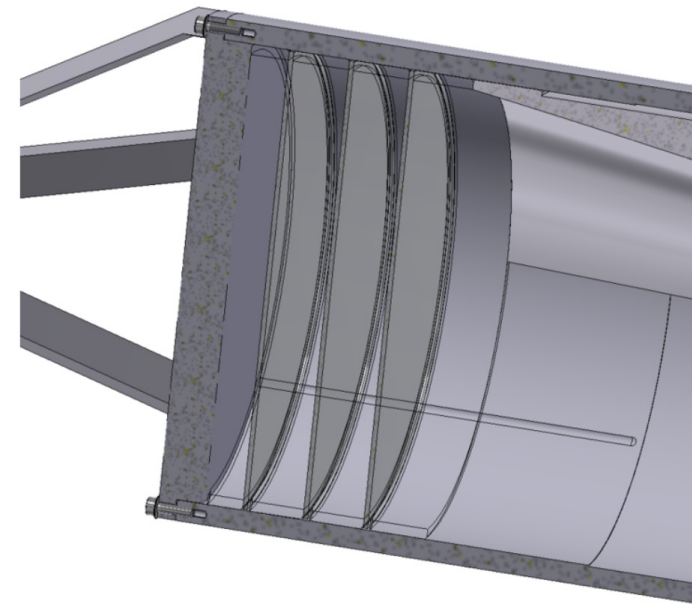
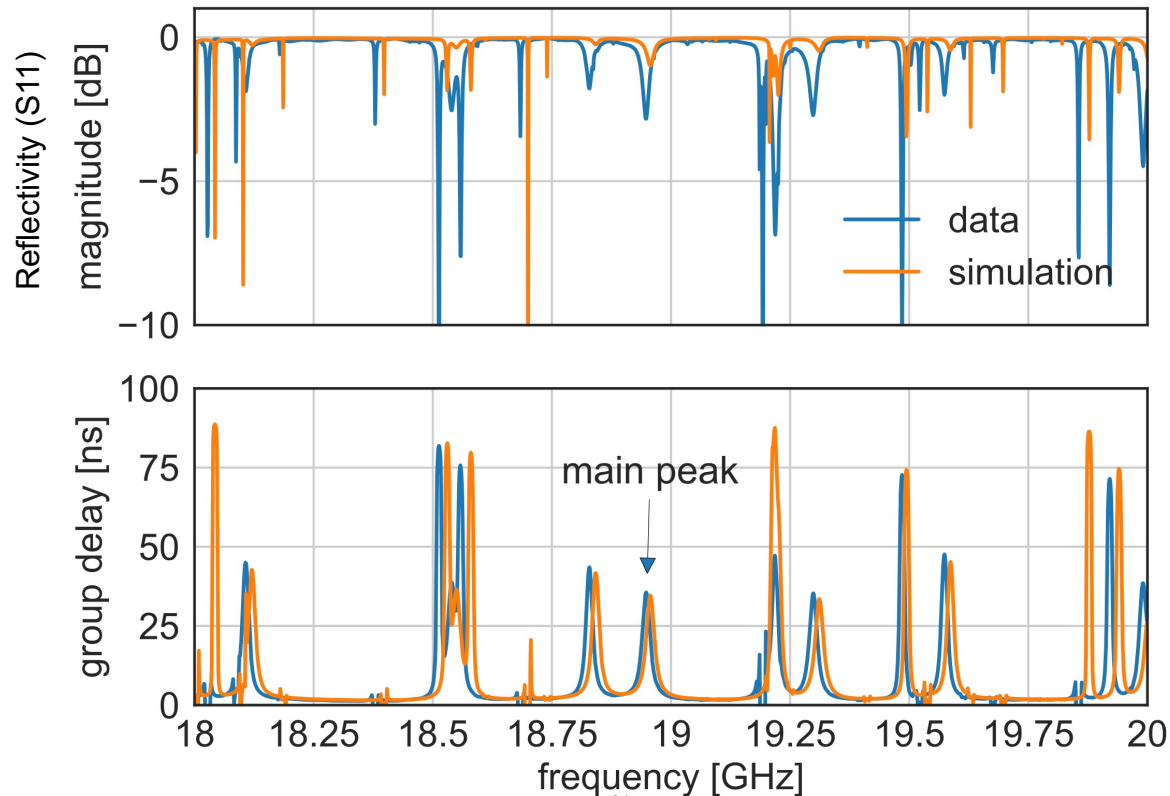
- Understand RF behavior @ RT, cold (4K), and in 0.5 T (and 1.6 T) magnetic fields
- Measure reflectivity ($\propto \beta^2$)
- Cu mirror + 3 sapphire disks $\varnothing=100$ mm
- Fixed disk spacings optimized @ ~ 19 GHz



In cryo



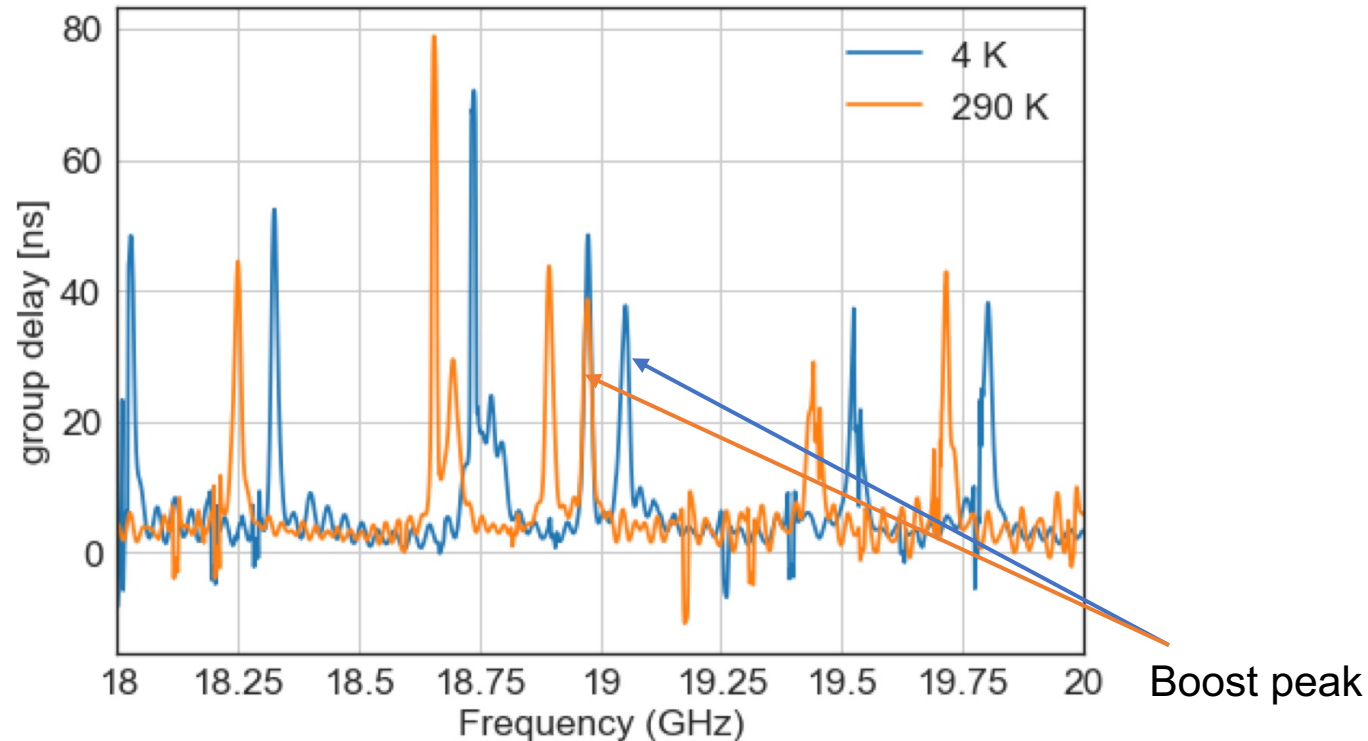
- Results from room temperature measurement:
 - Agreement between simulation and reality is good, given the mechanical uncertainties
 - Boost peak loss is slightly higher because of remaining transverse radiation (current) at sapphire disks rim (solved in newer version of the setup)

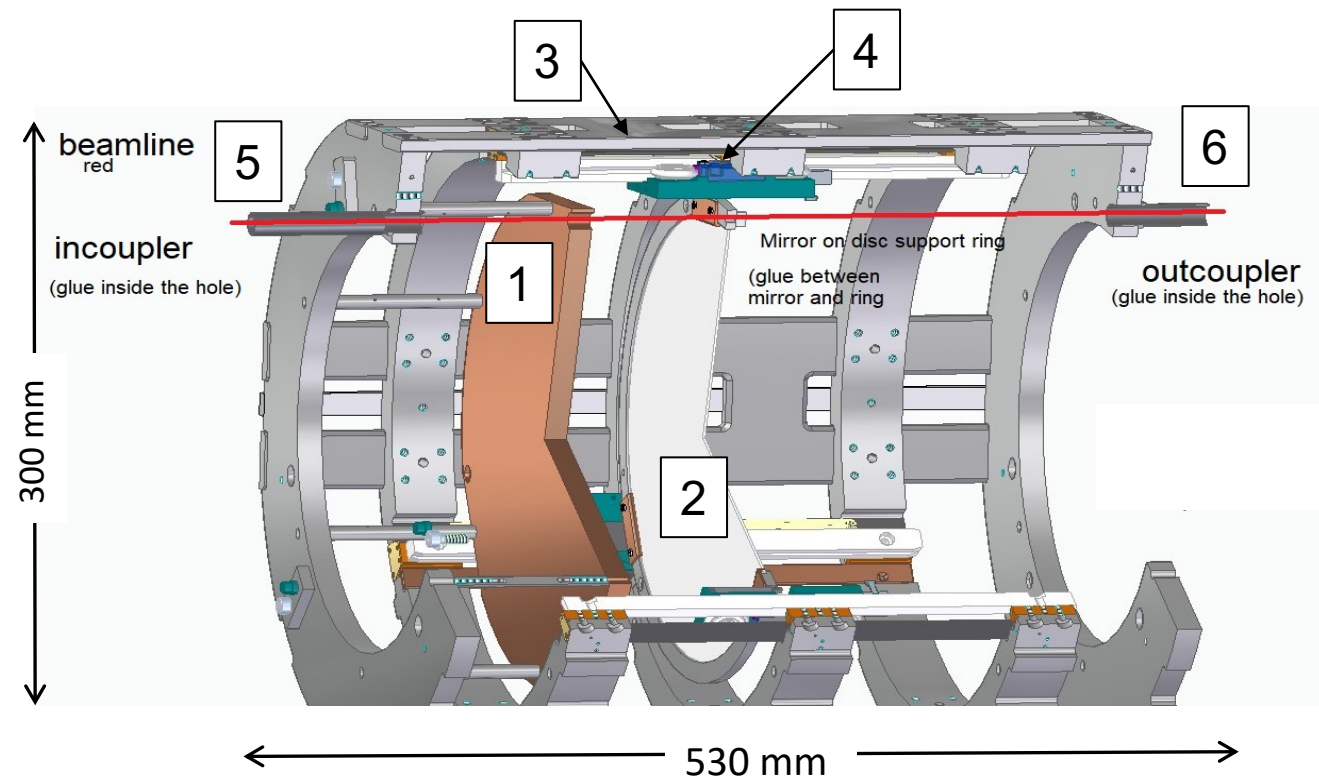


- Results from cryo measurement:

- Observe Boost peak and mode crossings shift from RT to 4K (as expected)
- System stable at 4K and good for long term measurement

Group delay:
From RT (290K) to LHeT (4K)





- 1- Cu mirror (fixed position)
- 2- Sapphire disk (adjustable positions)
- 3- P200 support structure
- 4- (3x) piezo motors
- 5- interferometer incoupler
- 6- interferometer outcoupler

Weight < 20 kg

P200 will validate the mechanics for the Prototype Booster

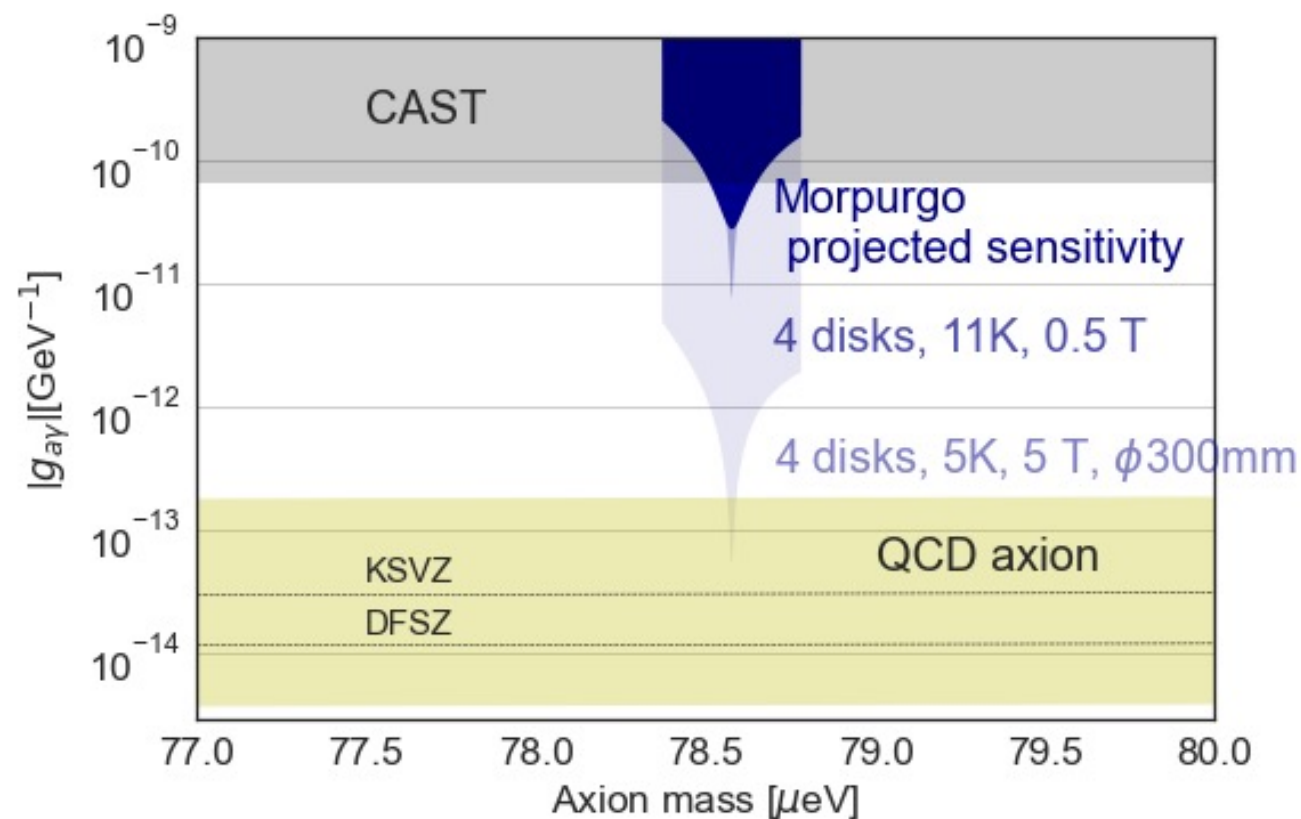
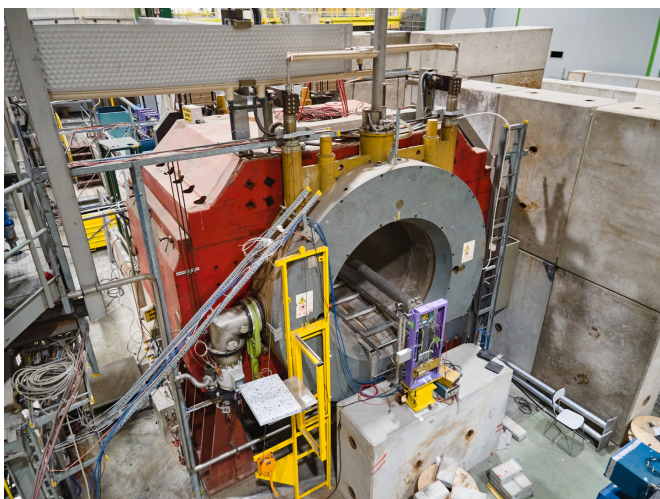
First measurements planned at
CERN's MORPURGO Magnet @ 1.6 T

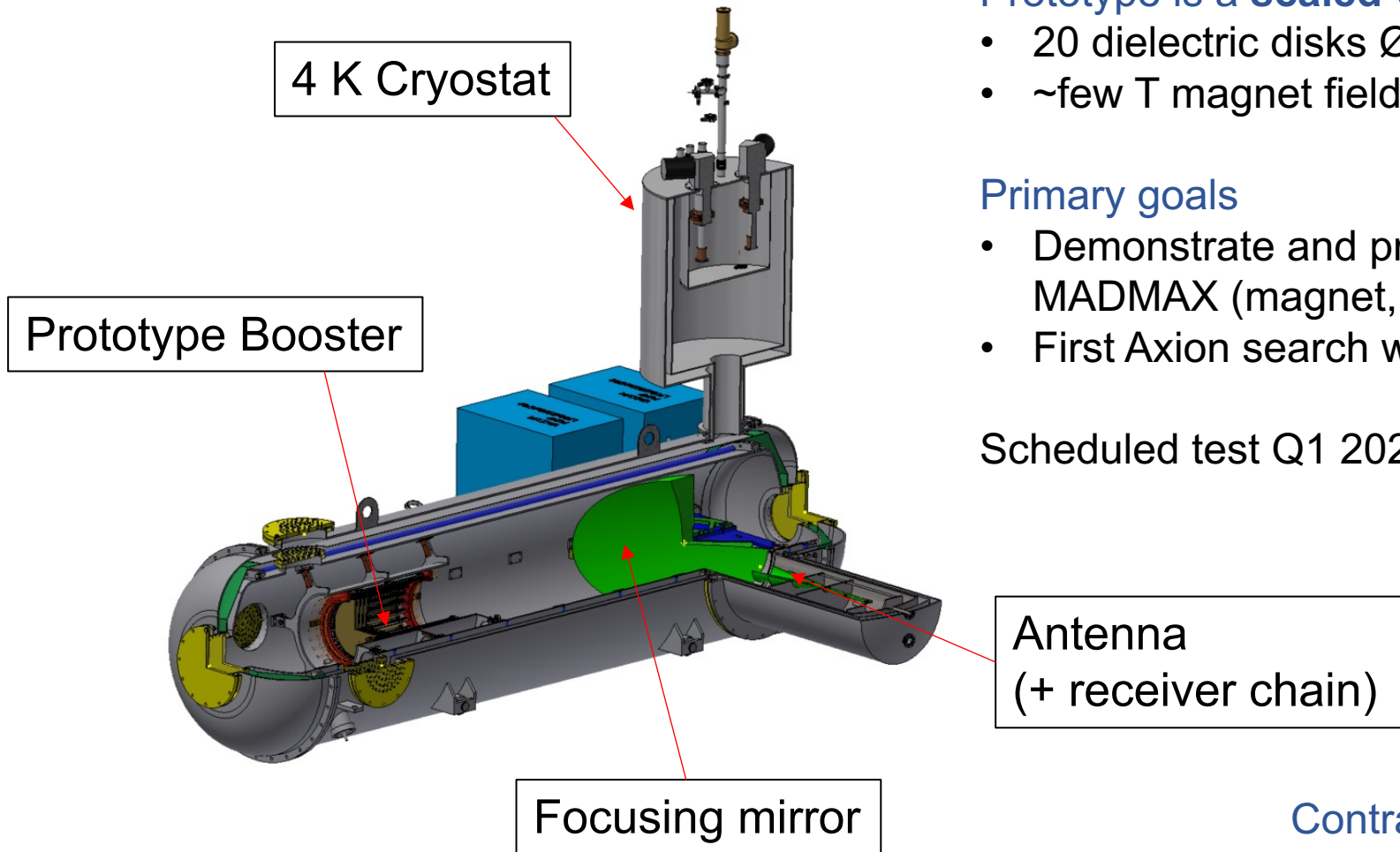
2022

EMC Test → understand RF environment
CB100 (Mar/Apr)
P200 (Apr, without final interferometer)

2023

CB200 → Aim for 1st physics run
P200 → Mechanics tests in a B-field





Prototype is a **scaled-down version** of MADMAX

- 20 dielectric disks $\text{\O}30$ cm
- ~few T magnet field

Primary goals

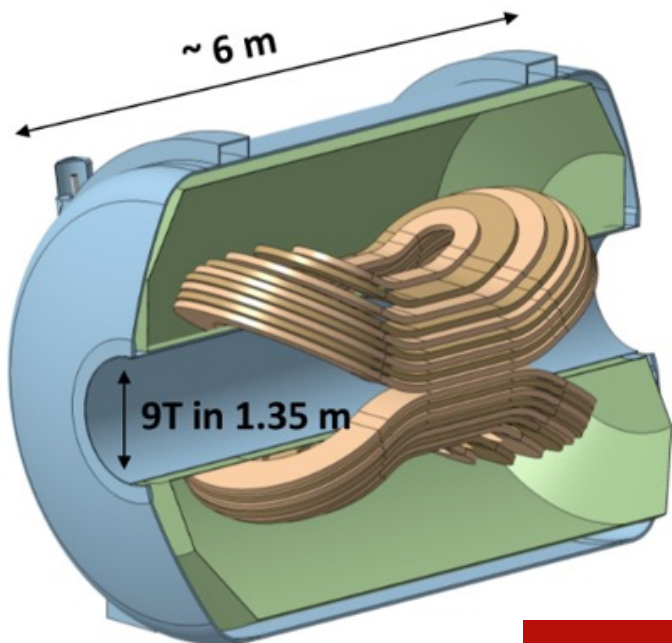
- Demonstrate and prototype key technologies for MADMAX (magnet, piezo motors, RF system, etc.)
- First Axion search with a dielectric haloscope

Scheduled test Q1 2024 (3 disks), Q1 2025 (20 disks)

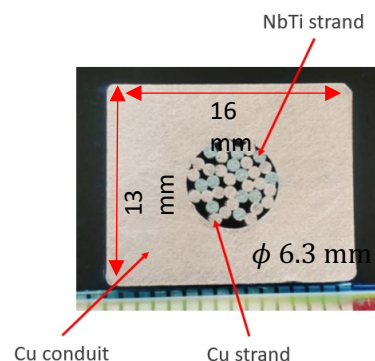
Contract signed with Noell for cryostat construction, to be delivered Q1 2023 @ UHH

Magnet Design by CEA-Saclay & Bilfinger-Noell

- Dipole Magnet
- $B > 9$ T, Warm bore 1.35 m, $I = 23.5$ kA, stored energy ~ 500 MJ
- FOM : $80-100$ T²m²
- Status: Design and R&D phase in progress

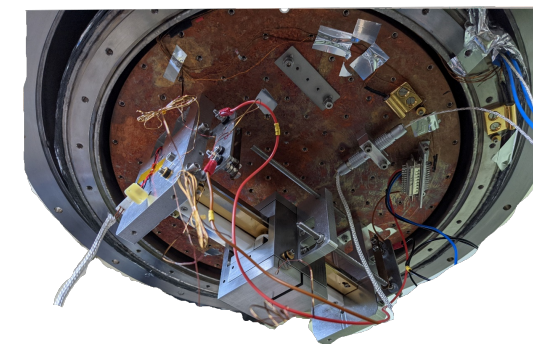
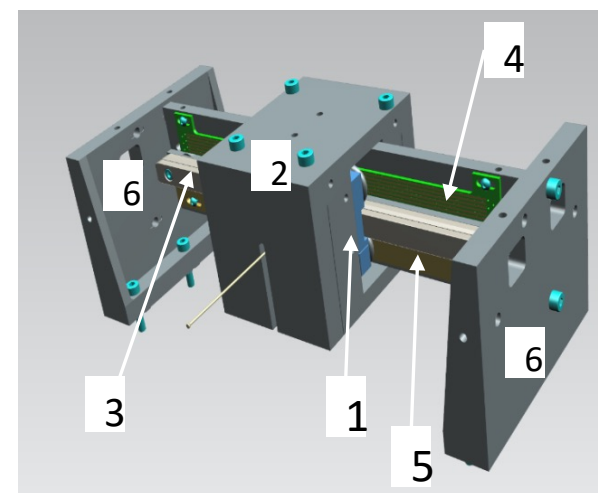


New conductor:
Cable-in-circuit conductor
with Cu profile

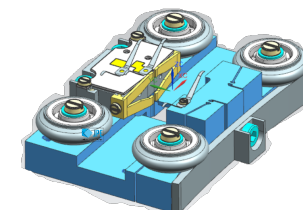


Piezo Motor Design by JPE Innovations

- Operation at cryogenic temperature and in strong B-field
- Reliable design (240 motors to move 80 disks)
- Durability, friction wear, lifetime
- Feasibility verified at 4.2 K and 5.6 T (Jan 2022)
- Status: Design and R&D phase in progress

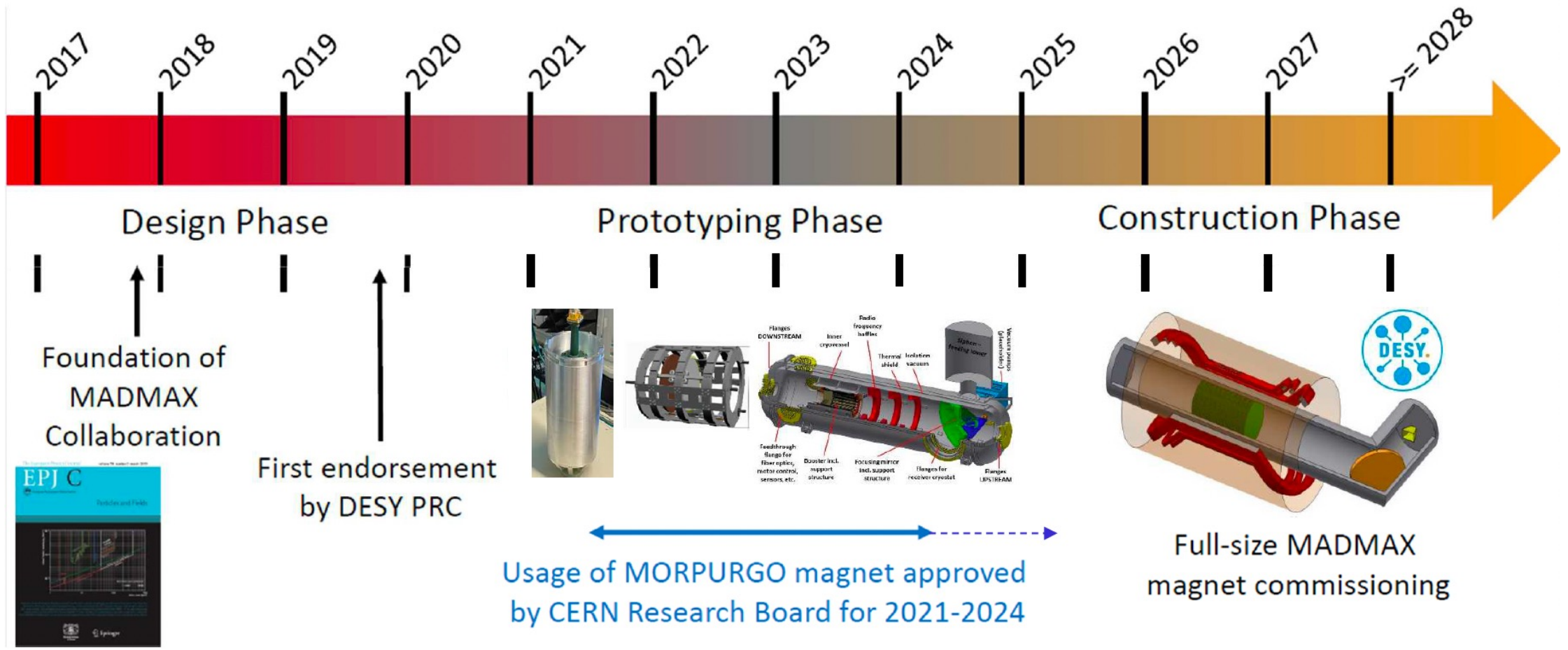


- 1 – motor carriage
- 2 – weight
- 3 – ceramic rail
- 4 – PCB
- 5 – cooling strip
- 6 – side plates



- MADMAX is a **novel dielectric haloscope** aimed at discovering axion CDM in the range 40-400 μeV .
- **R&D and prototyping is ongoing** in several technologies: e.g. magnets, piezo motors, dielectrics, booster mechanics, low-noise receivers (not everything covered in this talk).
- MADMAX Prototype phase is well under way with several critical tests planned for 2022/5.
- Magnet
 - **New conductor** successfully tested
- Piezoelectric motors
 - **Motors tested successfully at 4.2 K and 5.6 T**
 - Tests in B-Field and P200 planned in Q1 2022
- RF/Booster
 - CB100 **simulations and data agree well** (within mechanical uncertainties)
 - Tests at 4.2 K are stable
- 1.6 T MORPURGO Magnet (CERN)
 - **First RF measurements** planned early 2022
 - Prototype cryostat to be delivered Q1 2023 at UHH. Tests at CERN Q1 2024
- Aim for first ALPs search beyond CAST with closed booster expected in 2023

Backup

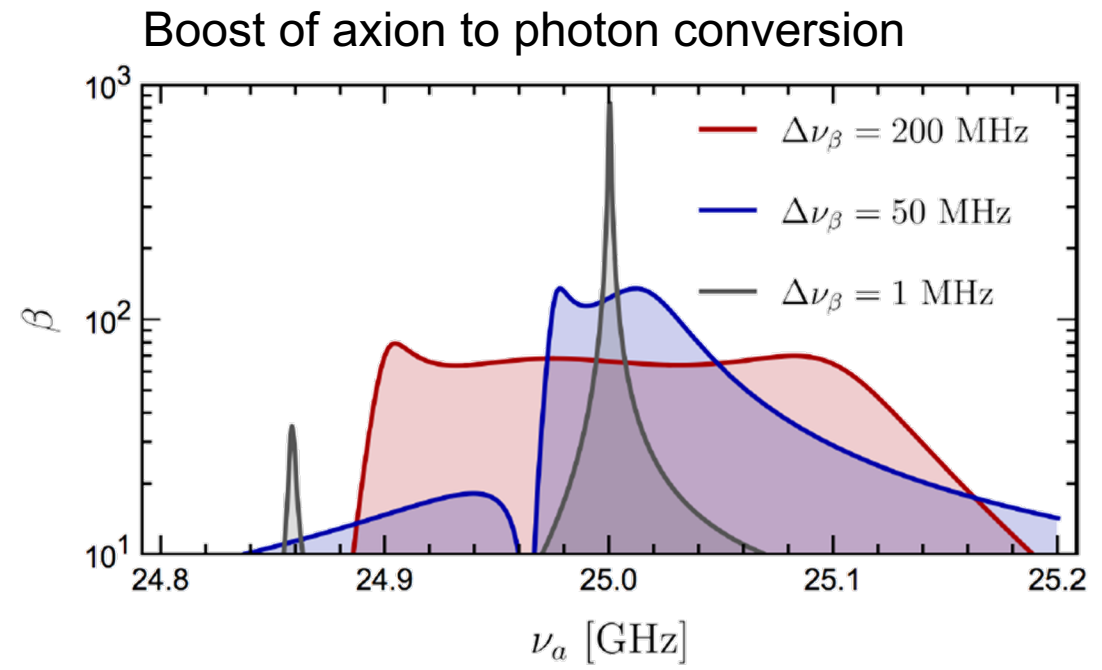
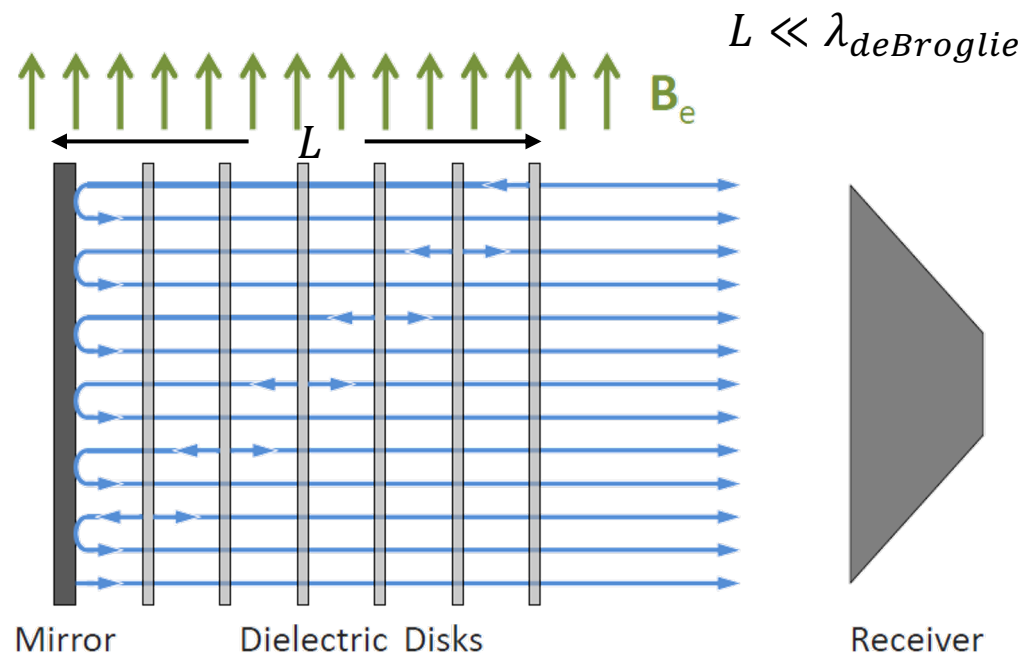


$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} - J^\mu A_\mu + \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu a \partial^\mu a - \frac{1}{2}m_a^2 a^2 - \frac{g_{a\gamma}}{4}F_{\mu\nu}\tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}a,$$

axion DM modifies maxwell equations:

• new equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} &= \rho - g_{a\gamma} \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla a, \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{B} - \dot{\mathbf{E}} &= \mathbf{J} + g_{a\gamma} (\mathbf{B} \dot{a} - \mathbf{E} \times \nabla a) \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} &= 0, \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E} + \dot{\mathbf{B}} &= 0, \\ \ddot{a} - \nabla^2 a + m_a^2 a &= g_{a\gamma} \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}.\end{aligned}$$



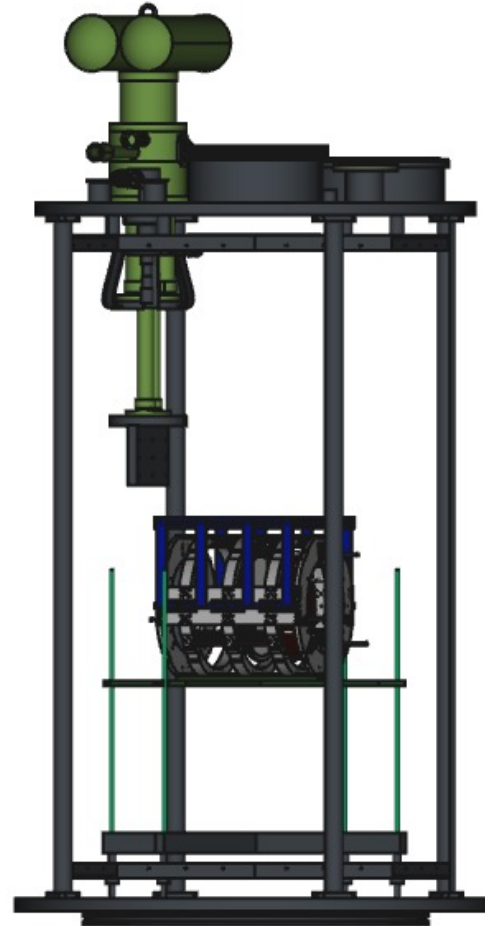
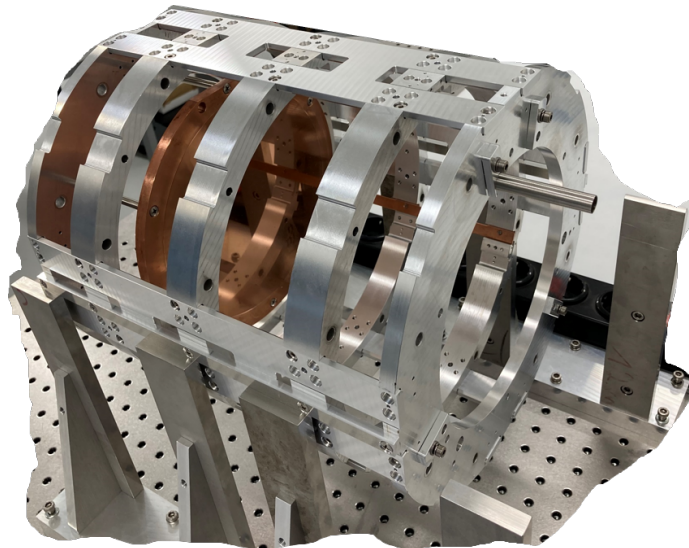
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- Possibility for narrow-band and broad-band measurements
- Scan axion mass by changing disk positions

Status:

- P200 assembled at UHH
- Tests at RT → Dec'21/Jan'22
- Tests in CERN Cryostat:
 - 1st run → Feb, March 2022
 - 2nd run → Fall 2022



Tests at RT (in Hamburg)

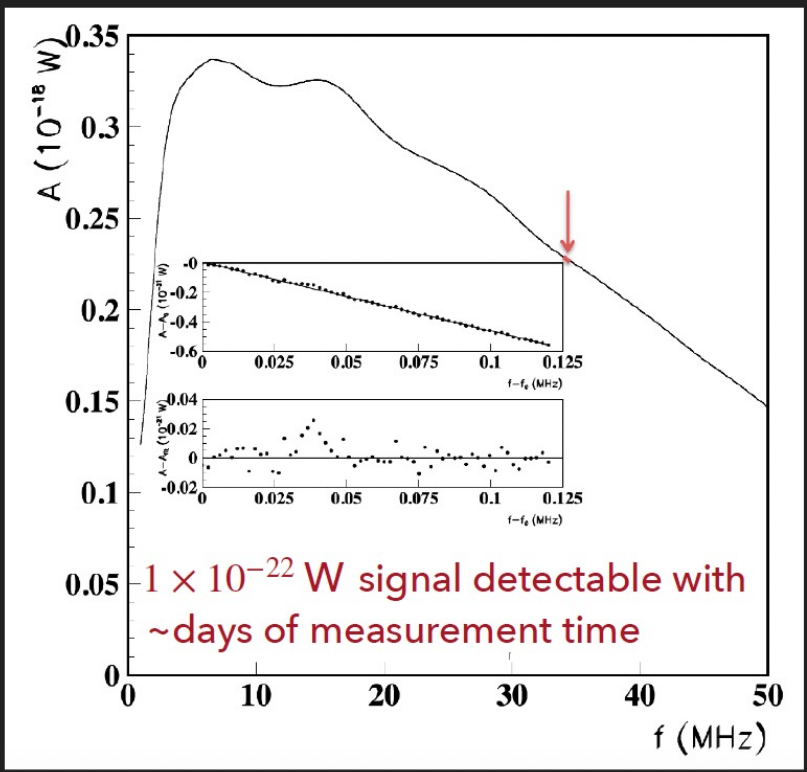
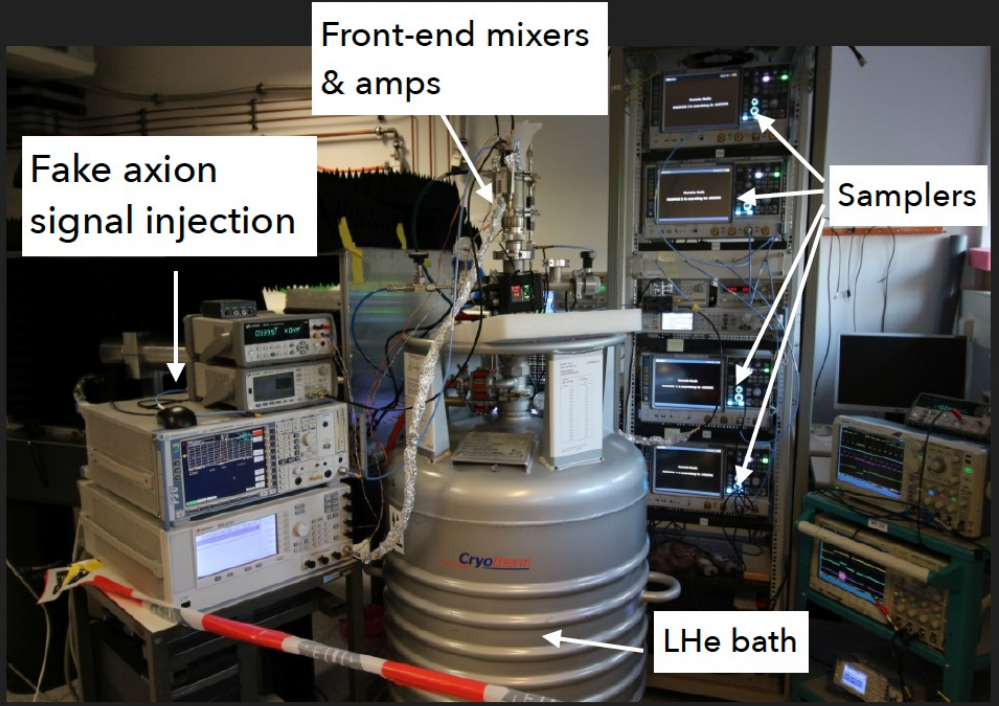
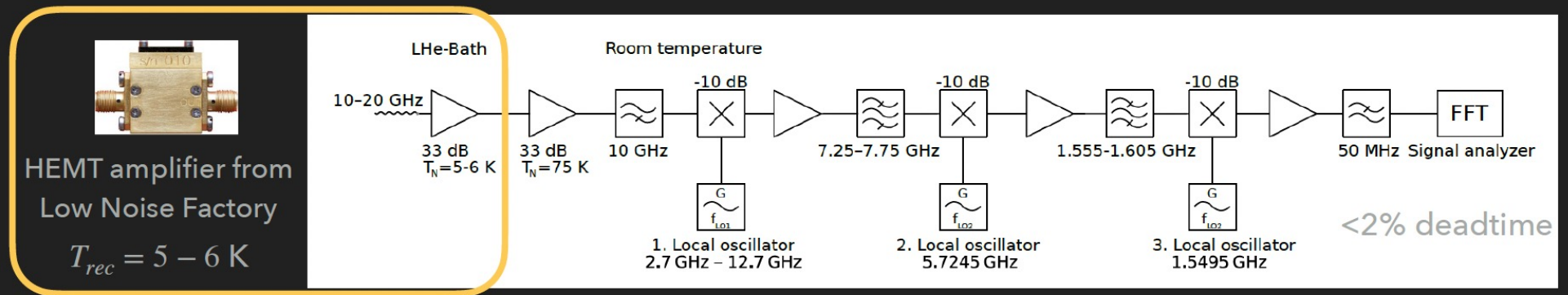
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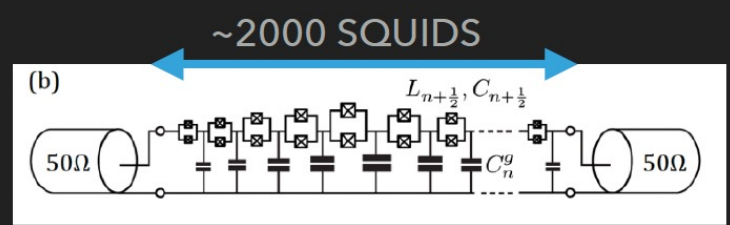
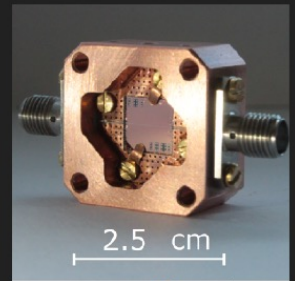
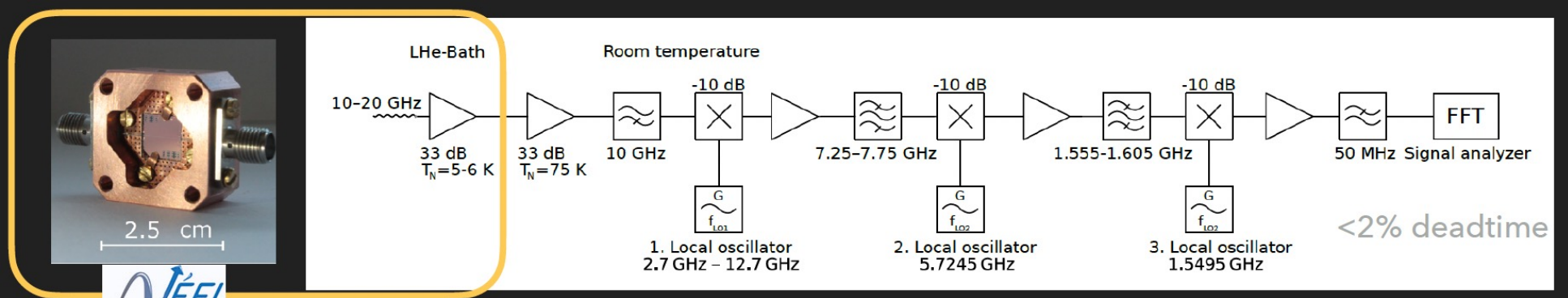
- Stepsize
- Positioning accuracy (spec: +/- 10 mm)
- Tilt of the disk
- Reproducibility
- Drift (after 1s, 10 s, 10 min,...)

Tests at 4.2 K (CERN)

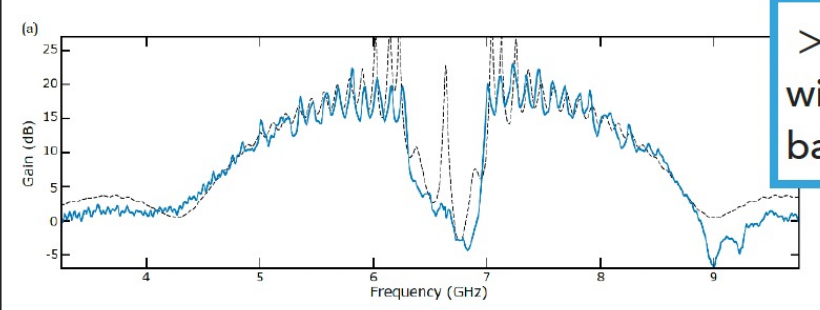
Parameters to be checked:

- Repeat RT measurements
- Temperature investigation

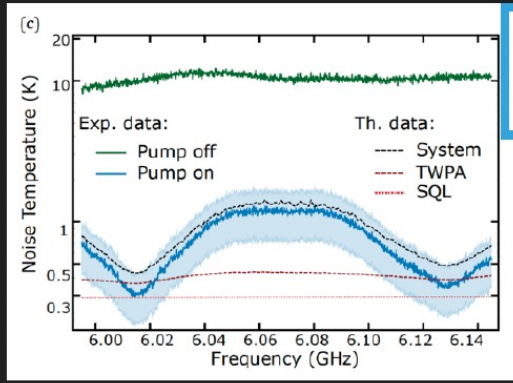




- ▶ The possibility of using a traveling wave parametric amplifier (TWPA) as the preamplifier is being investigated
 - ▶ Potentially halves the system noise temperature



> 15 dB gain
with ~2 GHz
bandwidth



Noise temperature close
to the quantum limit

L. Planat, et. al. arXiv:1907.10158

- Regardless of the initial conditions of the universe, the axion field will go to the minimum position. The amplitude will decrease with time, and we can always get a very small value of θ .
- Because the lifetime of the universe is finite, there will always be some oscillations of the axion field. These oscillations have some energy, which will be dark matter in nature.

$$\theta(t, \mathbf{x}) = a(t, \mathbf{x})/f_a$$

$$m_a = 6 \text{ meV} (10^9 \text{ GeV}/f_a)$$

$a(t, \mathbf{x})$ – axion field

f_a – energy scale

$\theta(t, \mathbf{x})$ – an angle $[-\pi, \pi]$

m_a – axion mass

- Lagrangian interaction $\mathcal{L} = -C_{a\gamma} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{a}{f_a} \vec{B} \cdot \vec{E}$

- In a static magnetic field, the oscillating axion field generates EM-fields

$$\mathcal{L} = -C_{a\gamma} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \theta(t) \vec{B}_{EXT} \cdot \vec{E}$$

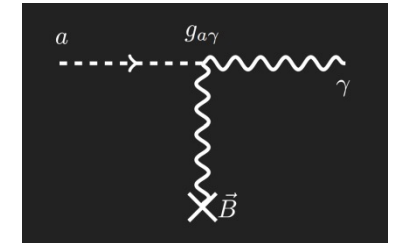
- Electric field amplitude independent of mass

$$E_a = C_{a\gamma} \frac{\alpha B_{EXT}}{2\pi} \theta_0 \cos(m_a t)$$

Oscillations at frequency

$$\omega \cong m_a$$

- CDM axions behave like a classical wave, e.g. $m_a = 100 \mu\text{eV}$
 - Local galactic axion density: $\rho_a = 0.45 \text{ GeV}/\text{cm}^3$
 - Axion de Broglie wavelength: $\lambda_a = \frac{2\pi}{m_a v_a} \gtrsim 10 \text{ m}$ ($v_a \approx 10^{-3} c$)
 - Axion phase-space occupancy: $\mathcal{N}_a \sim n_a \lambda_a^3 = \frac{\rho_a}{m_a} \lambda_a^3 \sim 10^{22}$



- Axion-photon interaction

$$\mathcal{L}_{a\gamma\gamma} = C_{a\gamma} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi f_a} a F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}$$

$$g_{a\gamma} = C_{a\gamma} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi f_a}$$

$m_a = 100 \mu\text{eV}$
 $\Rightarrow 25 \text{ GHz microwave photon}$

The Axion:

- A light, neutral pseudoscalar boson
- Small mass and couplings
- Solve the strong CP problem
 - Why does $\theta \approx 0$?
- Primakoff effect: Axion to photon conversion in a strong B field

