

# Search for ultralight dark matter with laser interferometric gravitational wave detectors

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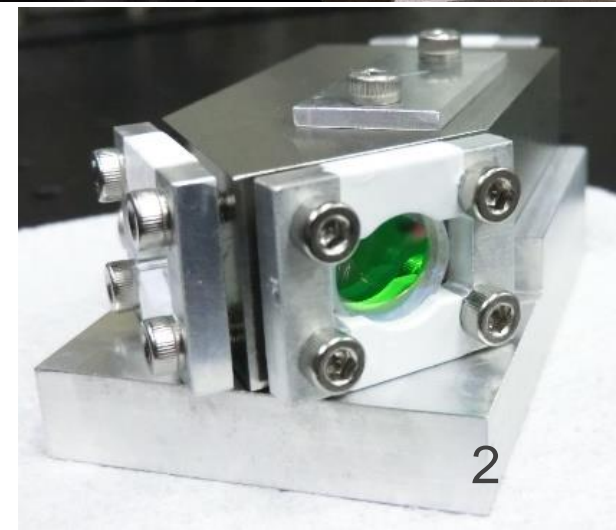
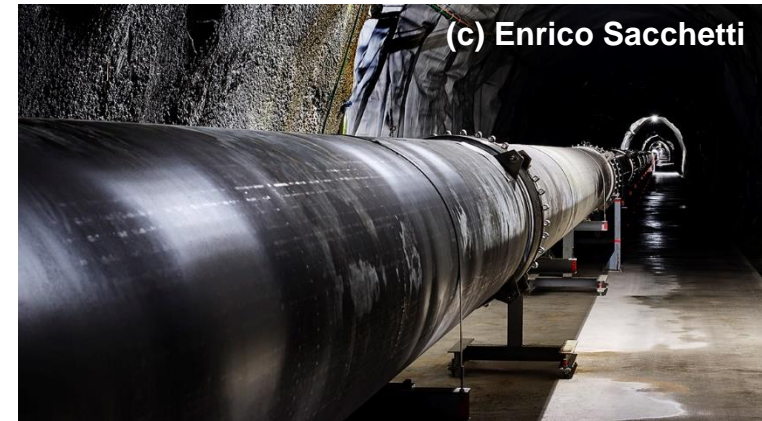
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# Self Introduction

- Yuta Michimura (道村唯太)  
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- Laser interferometric  
**gravitational wave detectors**
  - KAGRA
  - DECIGO
- **Search for new physics** with laser interferometry
  - Lorentz violation
  - Macroscopic quantum mechanics
  - Dark matter searchesetc ...



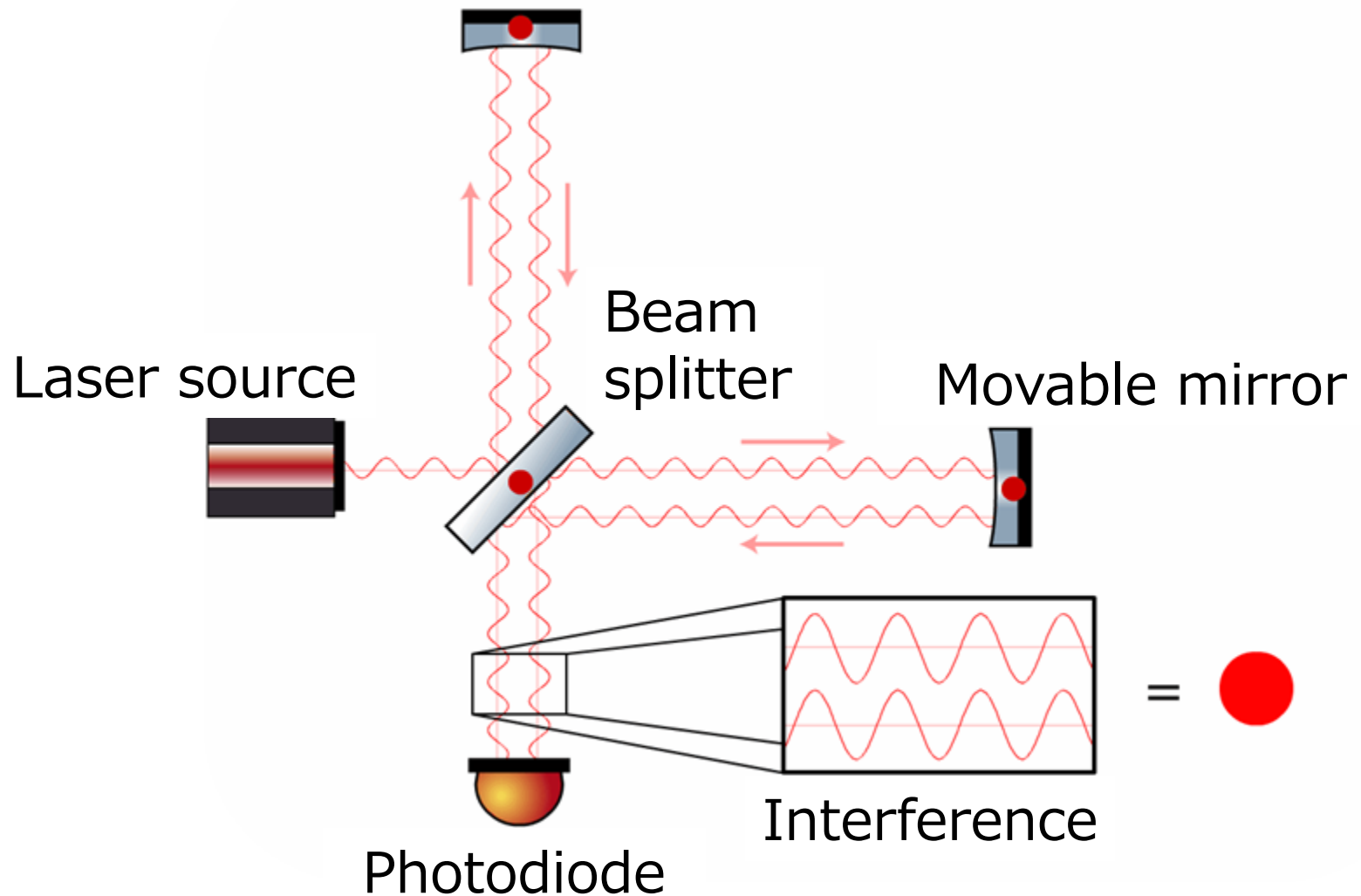
# Plan of the Talk

- **Basics of laser interferometry**
  - Michelson interferometer and optical cavity
  - Laser interferometric gravitational wave detectors
  - Key aspects
- **Ultralight dark matter searches**
  - Axion like particles (pseudoscalar)
  - Scalar fields
  - $U(1)_B$  and  $U(1)_{B-L}$  gauge bosons (vector)
- **Dark matter search with KAGRA**
  - Current status of KAGRA
  - Prospected sensitivity for KAGRA
- **Summary**

# Basics of laser interferometry

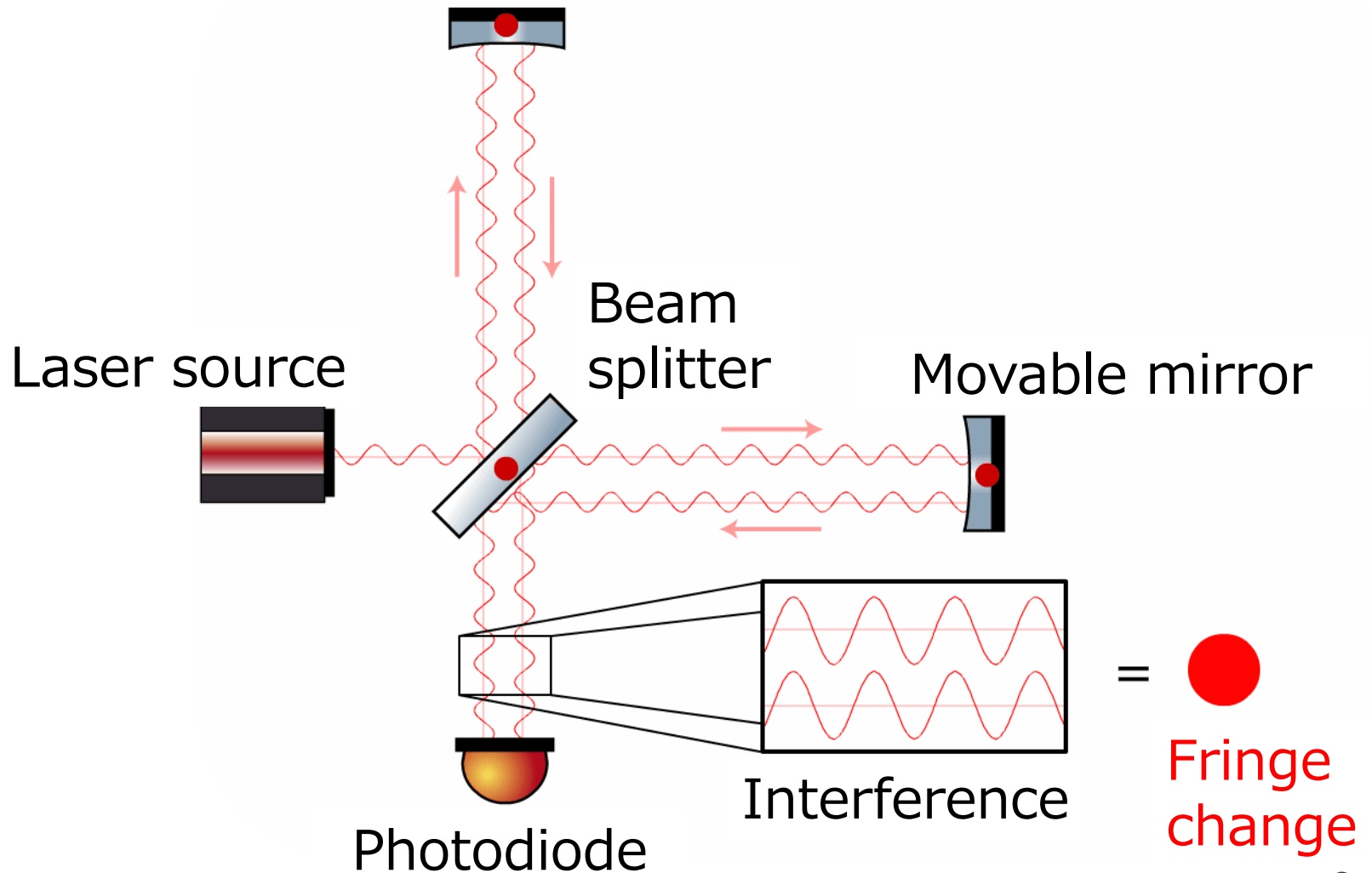
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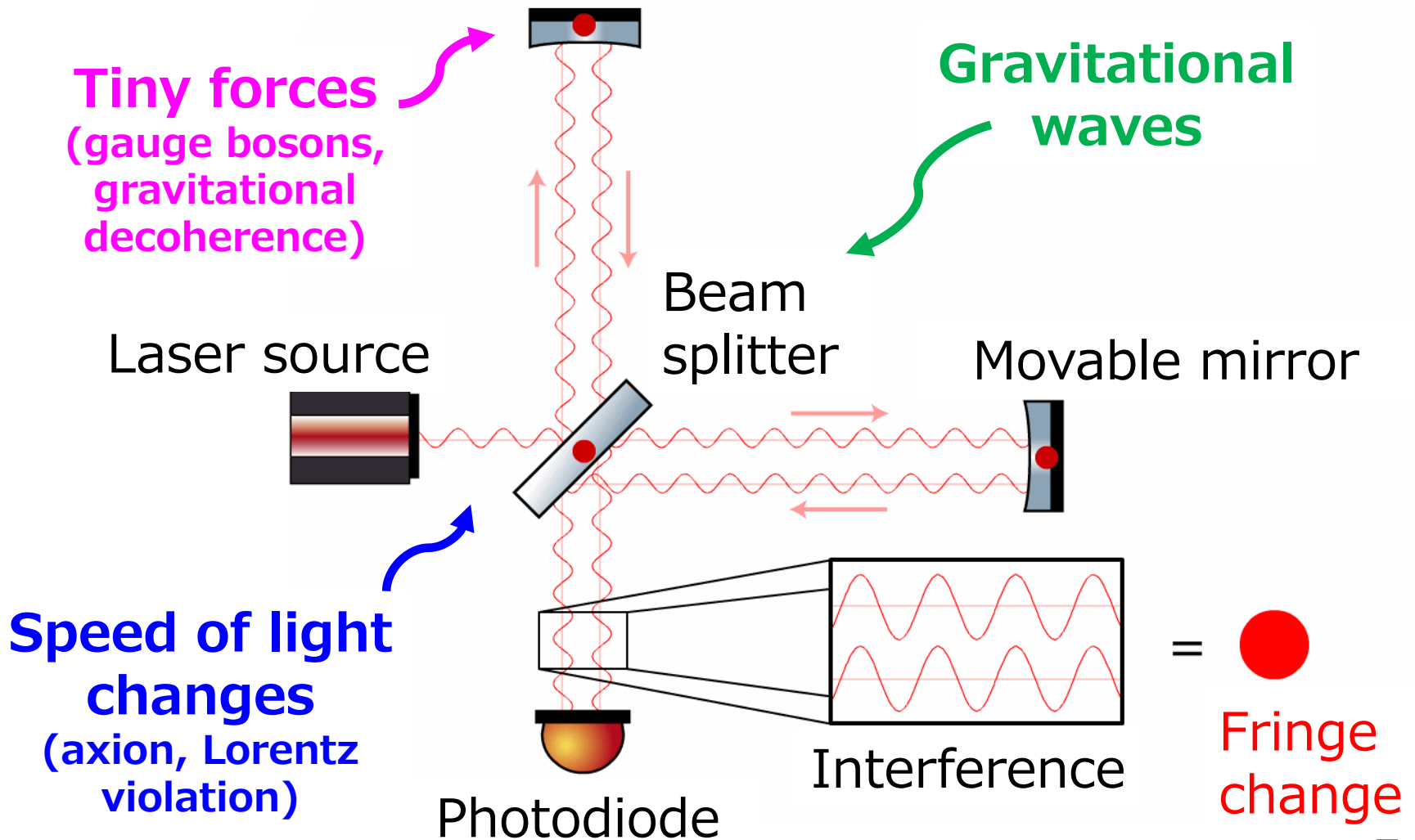
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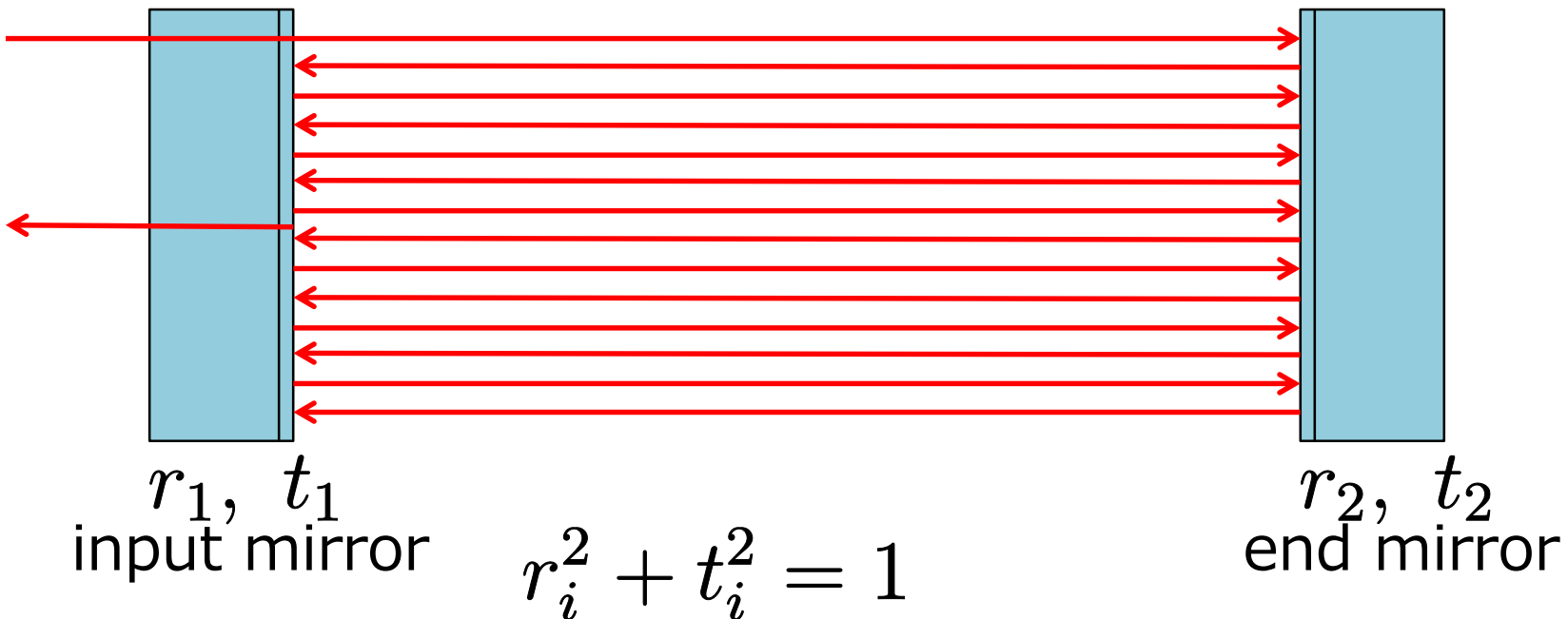


# Fabry-Perot Cavity

- Two highly reflective mirrors
- Sense mirror displacement multiple times
- Displacement sensitivity is enhanced by

$$N_{\text{eff}} = \frac{2\mathcal{F}}{\pi}$$

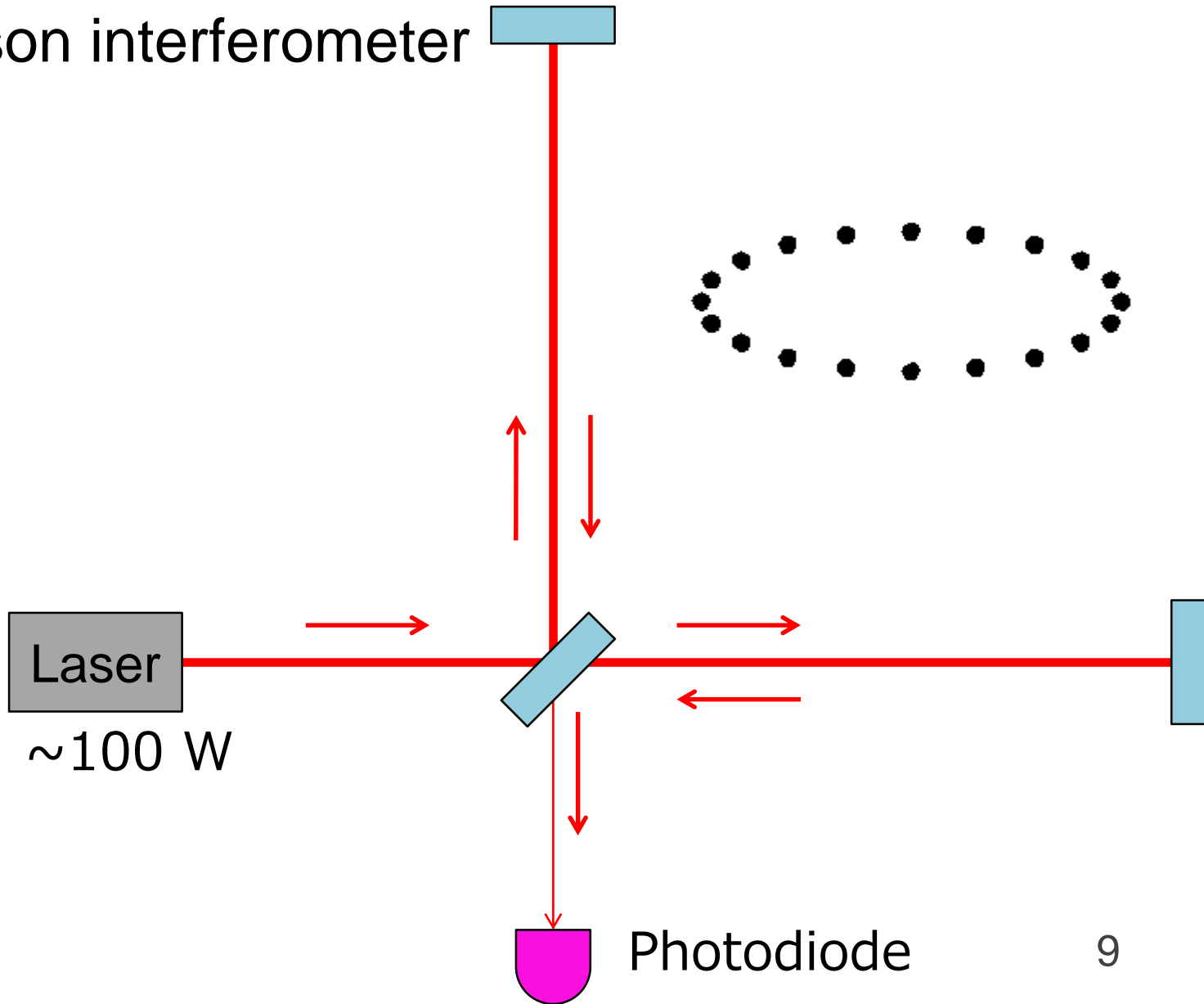
$$\text{Finesse } \mathcal{F} = \frac{2\pi}{t_1^2 + t_2^2}$$





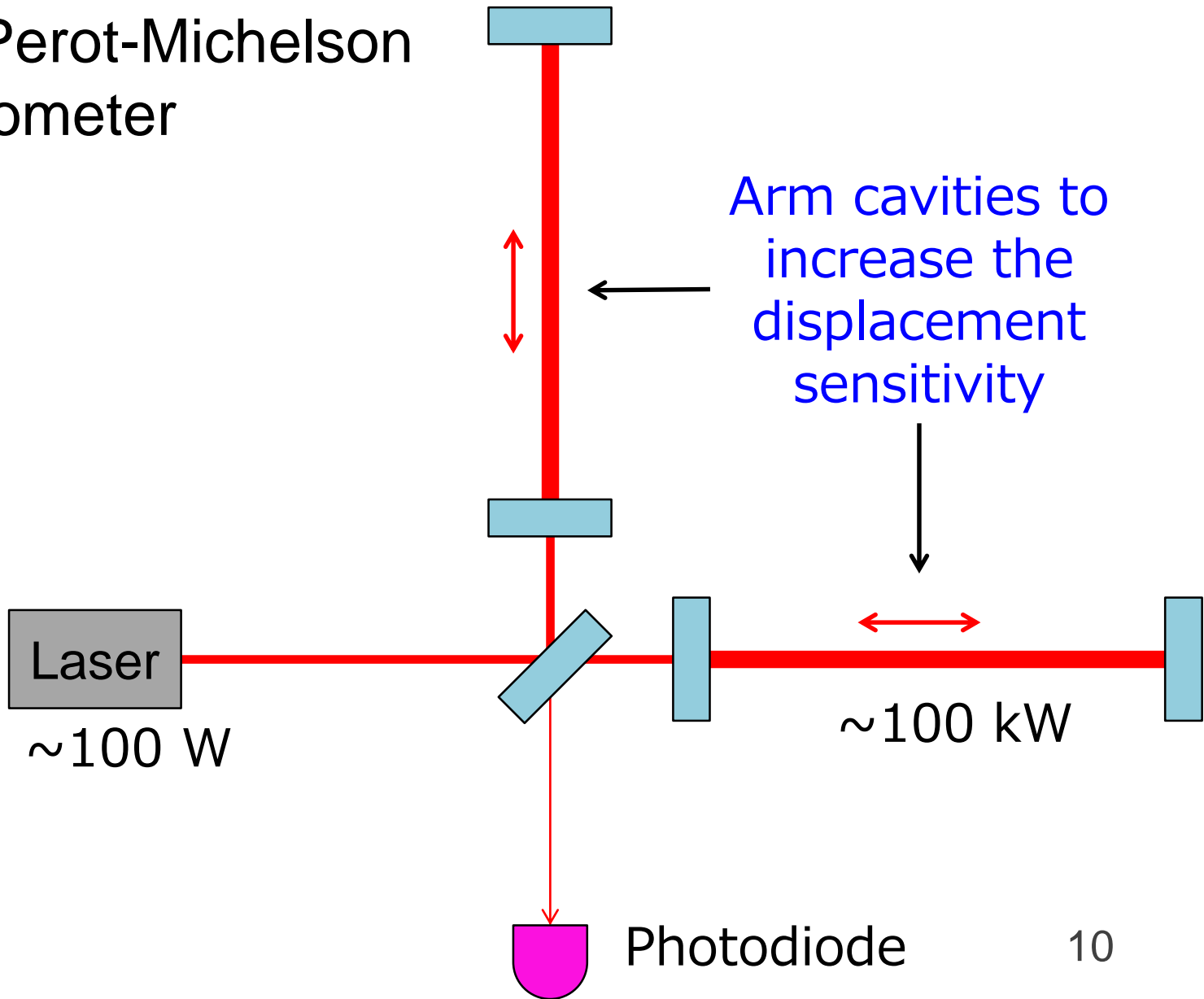
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- Michelson interferometer



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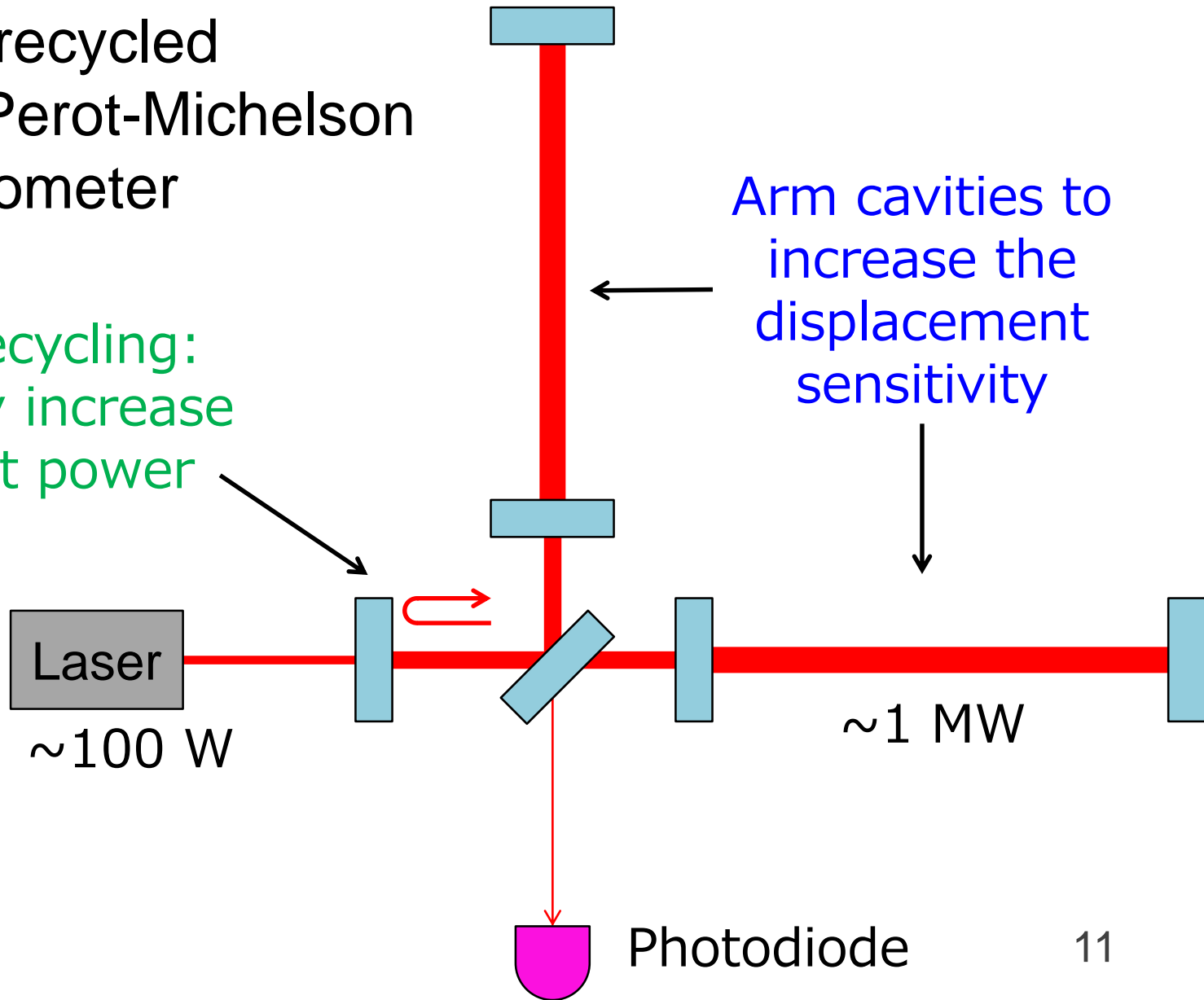
- Fabry-Perot-Michelson interferometer



# Gravitational Wave Detector

- Power-recycled Fabry-Perot-Michelson interferometer

Power recycling:  
effectively increase  
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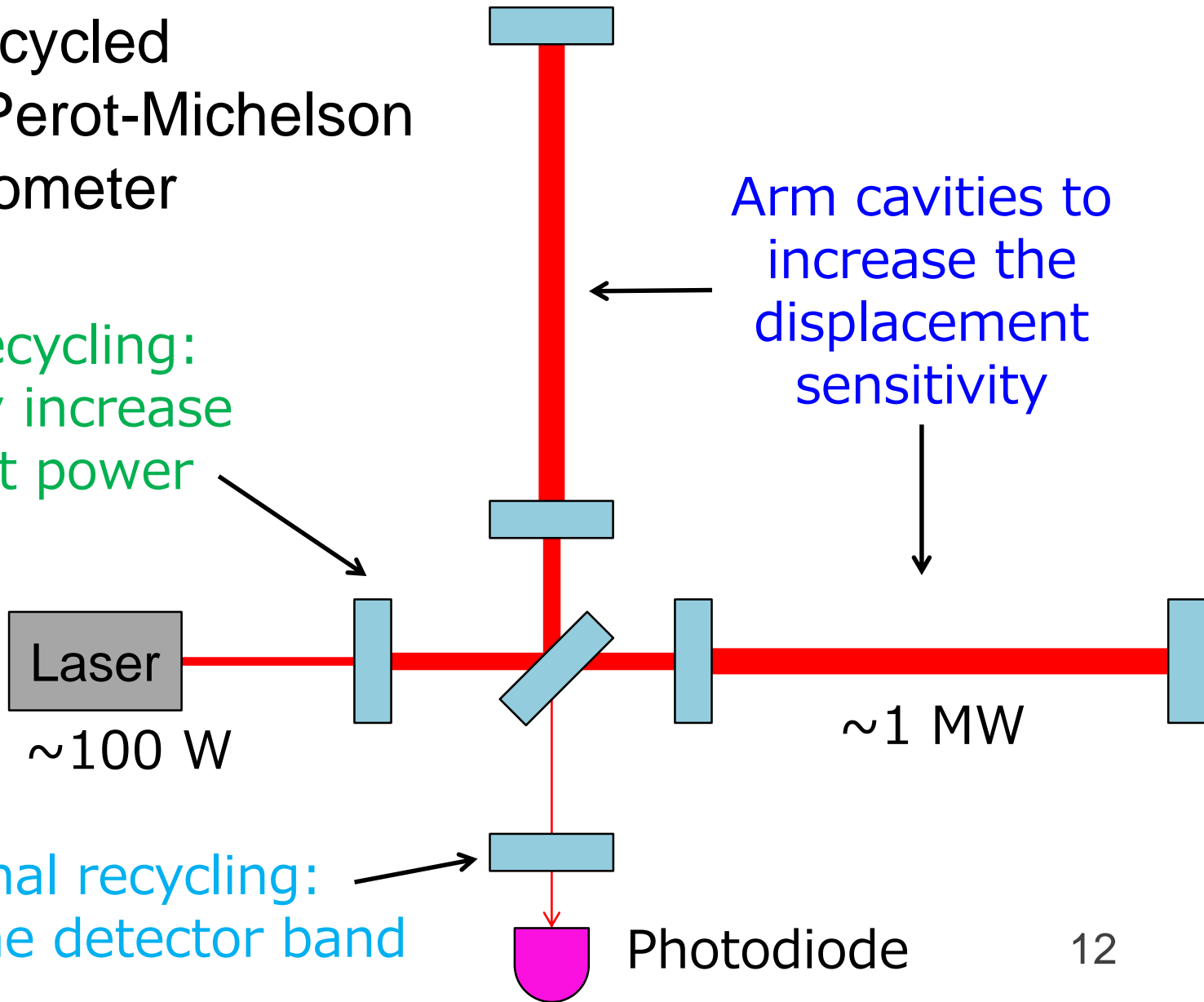


# Gravitational Wave Detector

- Dual-recycled Fabry-Perot-Michelson interferometer

Power recycling:  
effectively increase  
the input power

Arm cavities to  
increase the  
displacement  
sensitivity



Signal recycling:  
tune the detector band

Photodiode

# Global Network of GW Detectors

- All are laser interferometric GW detectors

**GEO600**



**Advanced LIGO**



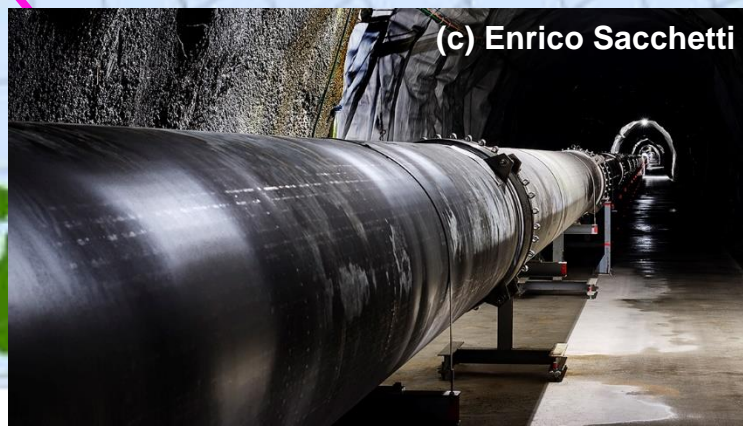
**Advanced Virgo**



**Advanced LIGO**



**KAGRA**



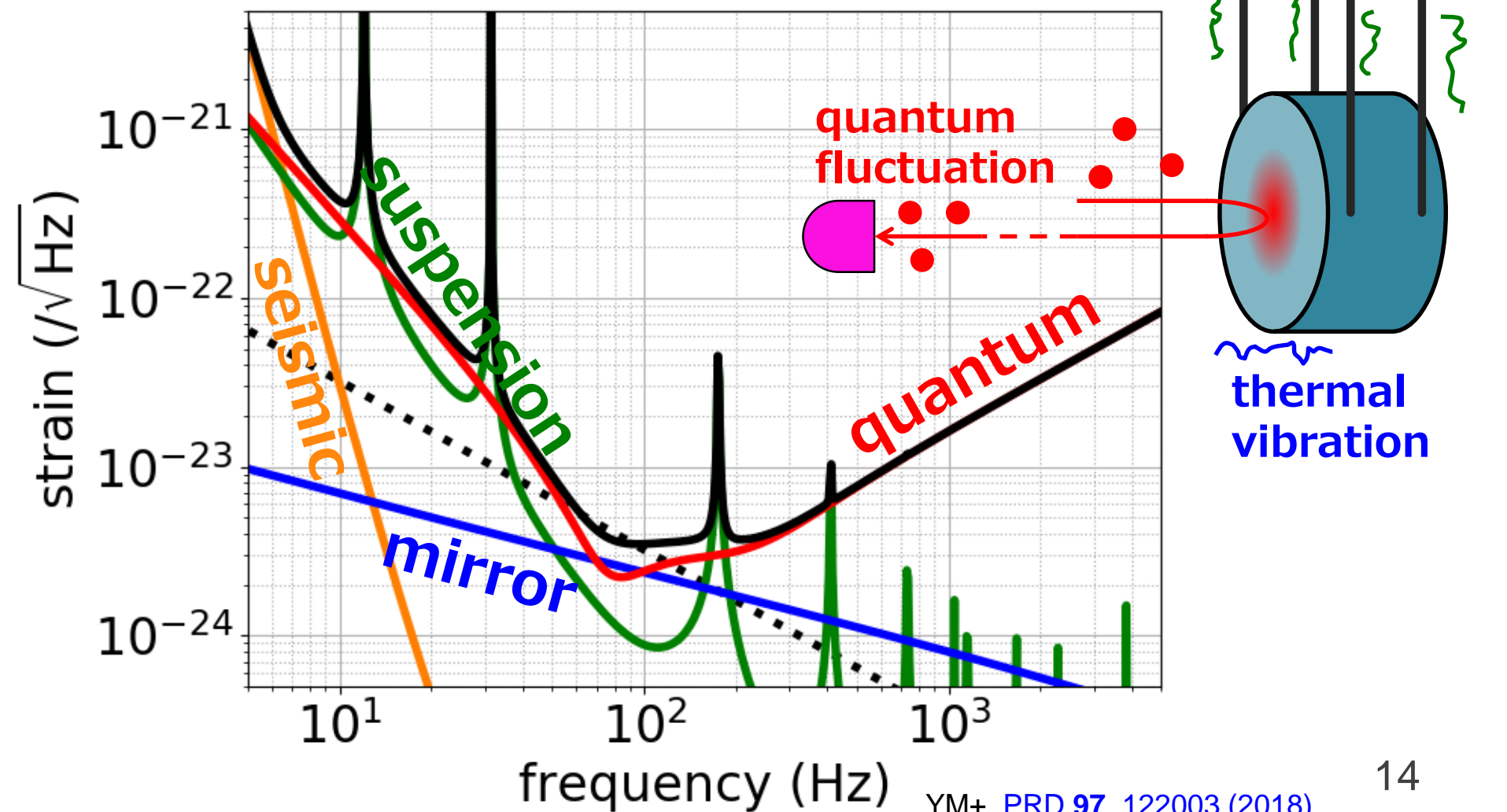
(c) Enrico Sacchetti

**LIGO-India (approved)**



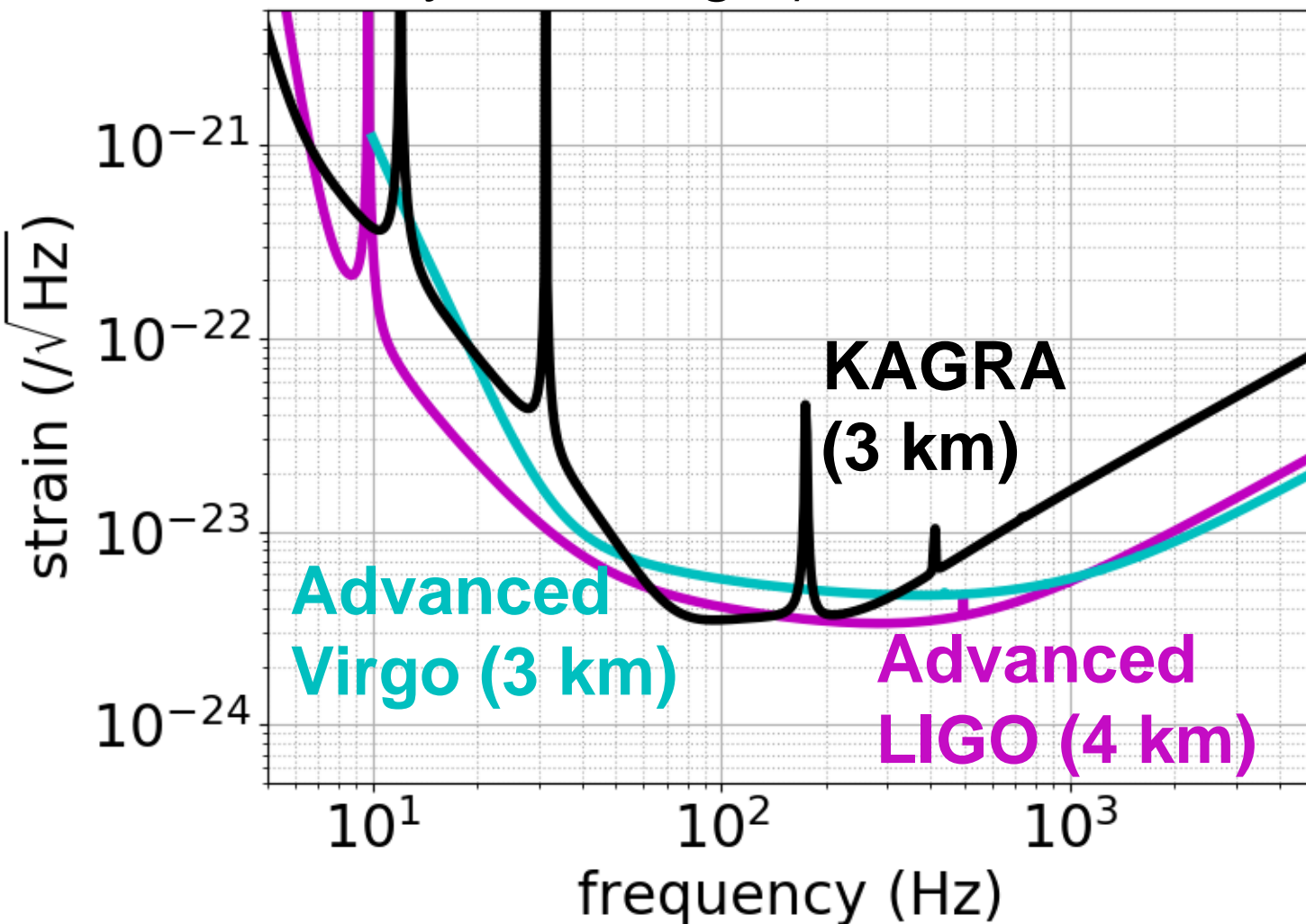
# Noise Sources

- Most sensitive at  $\sim 100$  Hz



# Sensitivity of LIGO/Virgo/KAGRA

- Similar strain sensitivity (displacement sensitivity divided by arm length)



$$h = \frac{\delta L}{L}$$

# Key Aspects to Remember

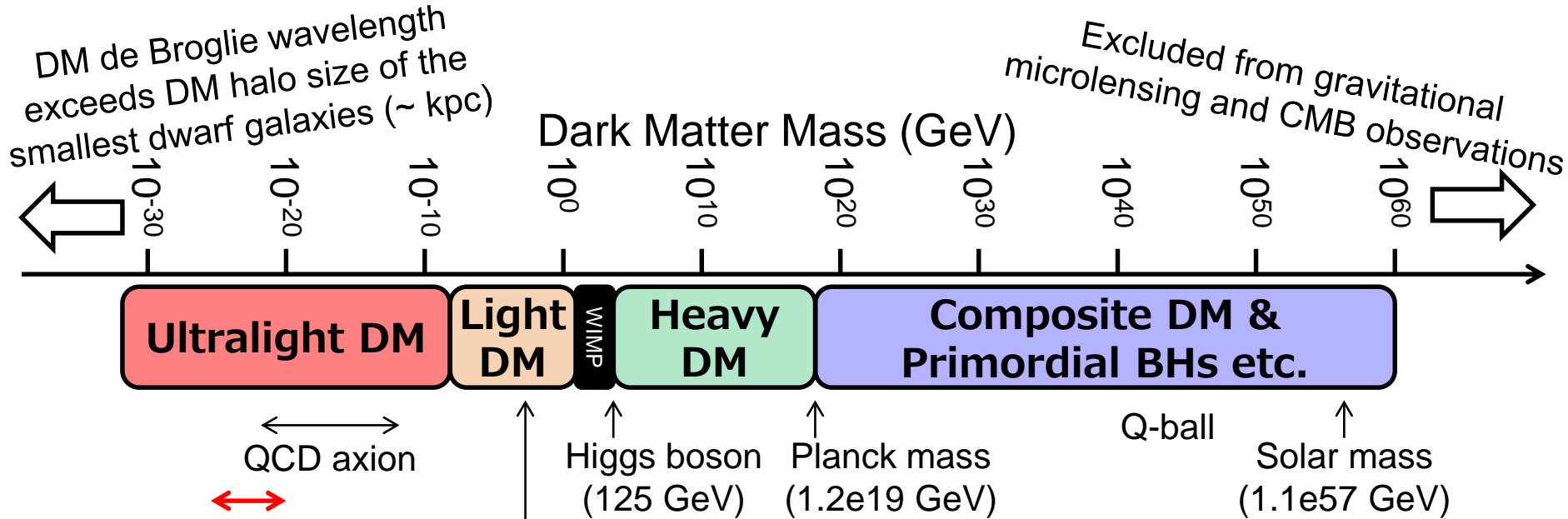
- Michelson interferometer measure the **differential length** between two arms
  - insensitive to common length changes
- Optical cavities measure the **distance (optical path length) between mirrors**
  - insensitive to common displacements
- They are also sensitive to the **changes in the speed of light**  
$$\frac{\delta L}{L} = \frac{\delta c}{c}$$
- They are **not sensitive to translational motion** of mirrors (to the first order)



# Ultralight dark matter searches

# Dark Matter Models

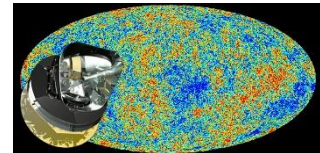
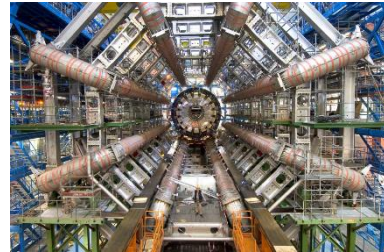
- ~90 orders of magnitude
- Ultralight DMs behave as classical wave fields



XENON1T limits on ALP (1-210 keV)

[arXiv:2006.09721](https://arxiv.org/abs/2006.09721)

Laser Interferometry



# Various Proposals

- **Axion-like particles**

- W. DeRocco & A. Hook, [PRD 98, 035021 \(2018\)](#)
- I. Obata, T. Fujita, YM, [PRL 121, 161301 \(2018\)](#)
- H. Liu+, [PRD 100, 023548 \(2019\)](#)
- K. Nagano, T. Fujita, YM, I. Obata, [PRL 123, 111301 \(2019\)](#)
- D. Martynov & H. Miao, [PRD 101, 095034 \(2020\)](#)

- **Scalar fields**

- Y. V. Stadnik & V. V. Flambaum, [PRL 114, 161301 \(2015\)](#)
- Y. V. Stadnik & V. V. Flambaum, [PRA 93, 063630 \(2016\)](#)
- A. A. Geraci+, [PRL 123, 031304 \(2019\)](#)
- H. Grote & Y. V. Stadnik, [PRR 1, 033187 \(2019\)](#)
- S. Morisaki & T. Suyama, [PRD 100, 123512 \(2019\)](#)

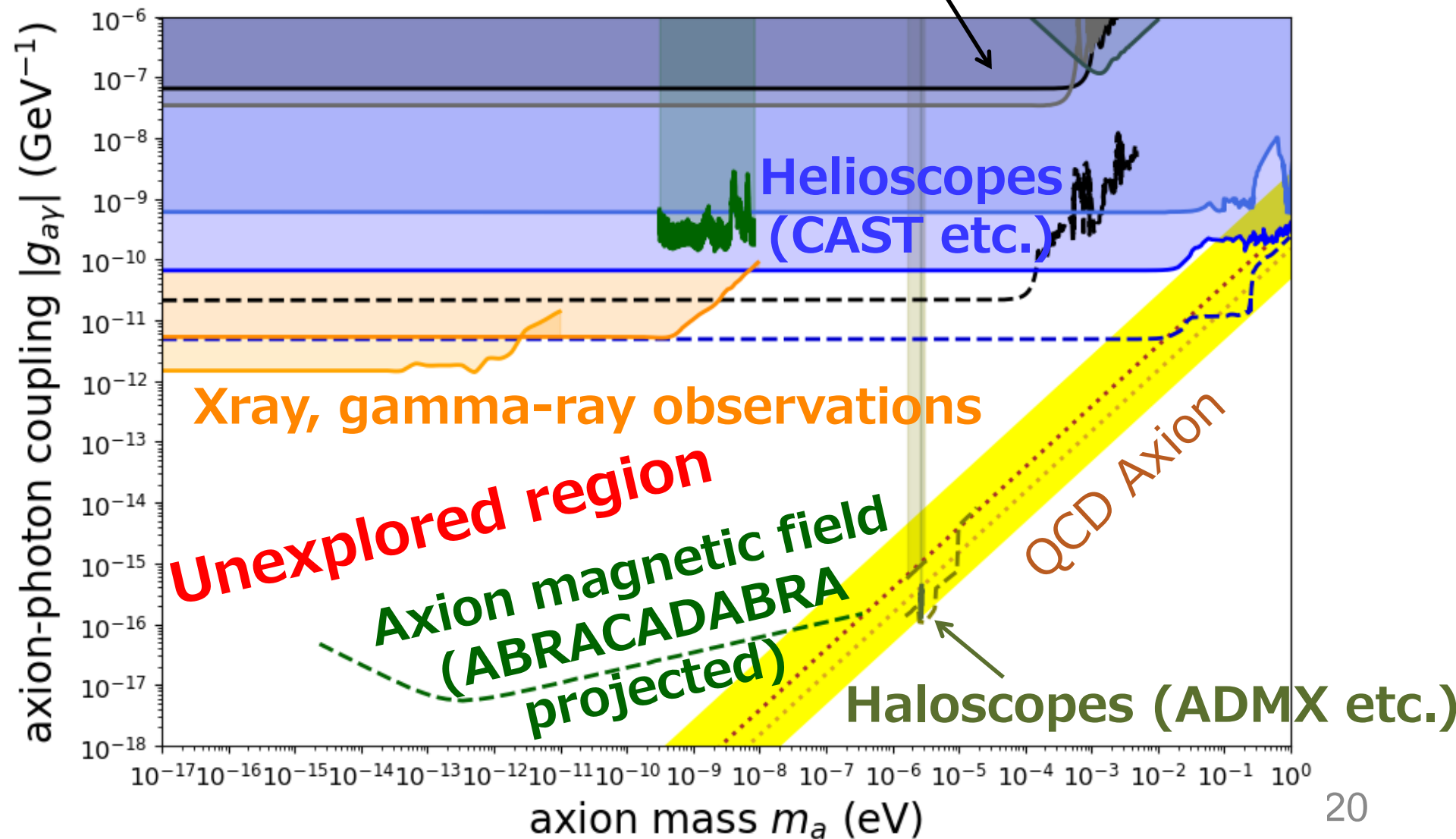
- **$U(1)_B$  or  $U(1)_{B-L}$  gauge bosons**

- P. W. Graham+, [PRD 93, 075029 \(2016\)](#)
- A. Pierce+, [PRL 121, 061102 \(2018\)](#)
- D. Carney+, [arXiv:1908.04797](#)

Not exhaustive. There are also proposals for heavier DM (I think they are not promising).  
The ones which require magnetic fields are not listed.

# Search for Axion-Photon Coupling

## Light Shining through Wall (ALPS etc.)



# Velocity of Circular Polarizations

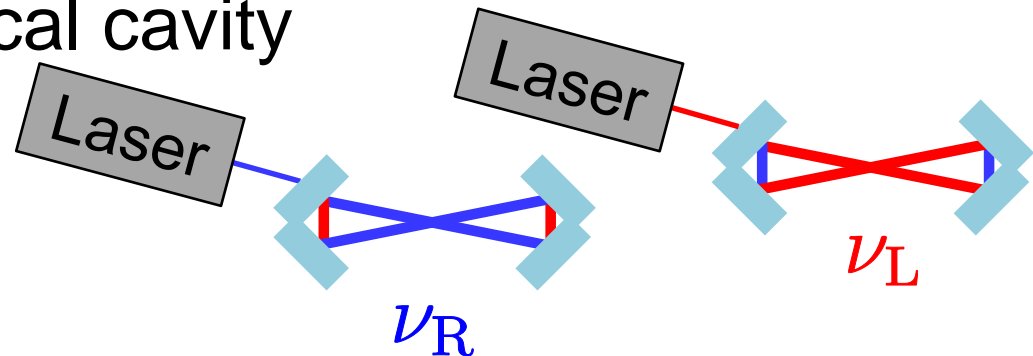
- Axion-photon coupling ( $\frac{g_{a\gamma}}{4} a F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$ ) gives different phase velocity between **left-handed** and **right-handed** circular polarizations

$$c_{L/R} = \sqrt{1 \pm \frac{g_{a\gamma} a_0 m_a}{k} \sin(m_a t + \delta_\tau)}$$

↑ coupling constant     ↑ axion field     ↑ axion mass

- Measure the difference as **resonant frequency difference** in an optical cavity

$$\frac{\delta c}{c} = \frac{\nu_L - \nu_R}{\nu}$$



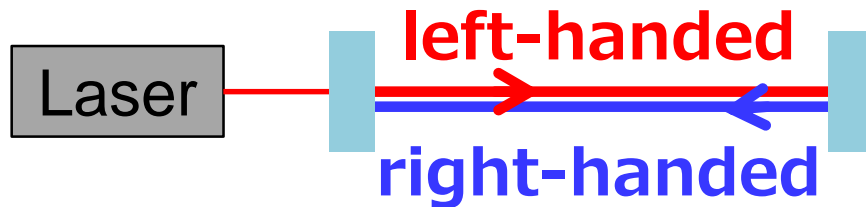
- Search can be done **without magnetic field**

# Our Ideas

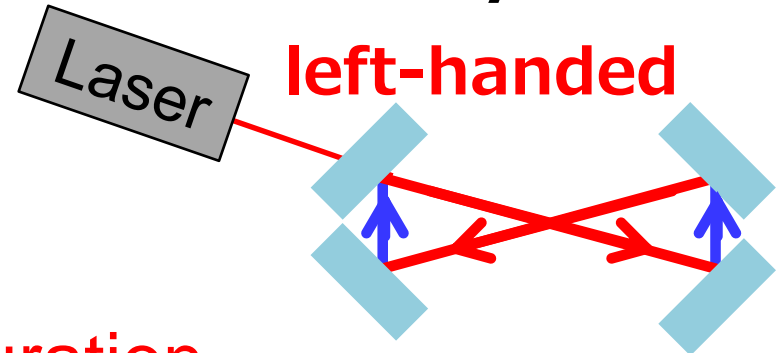


- Use of **bow-tie cavity**

The effect is canceled  
in a linear cavity



Not canceled in a  
bow-tie cavity



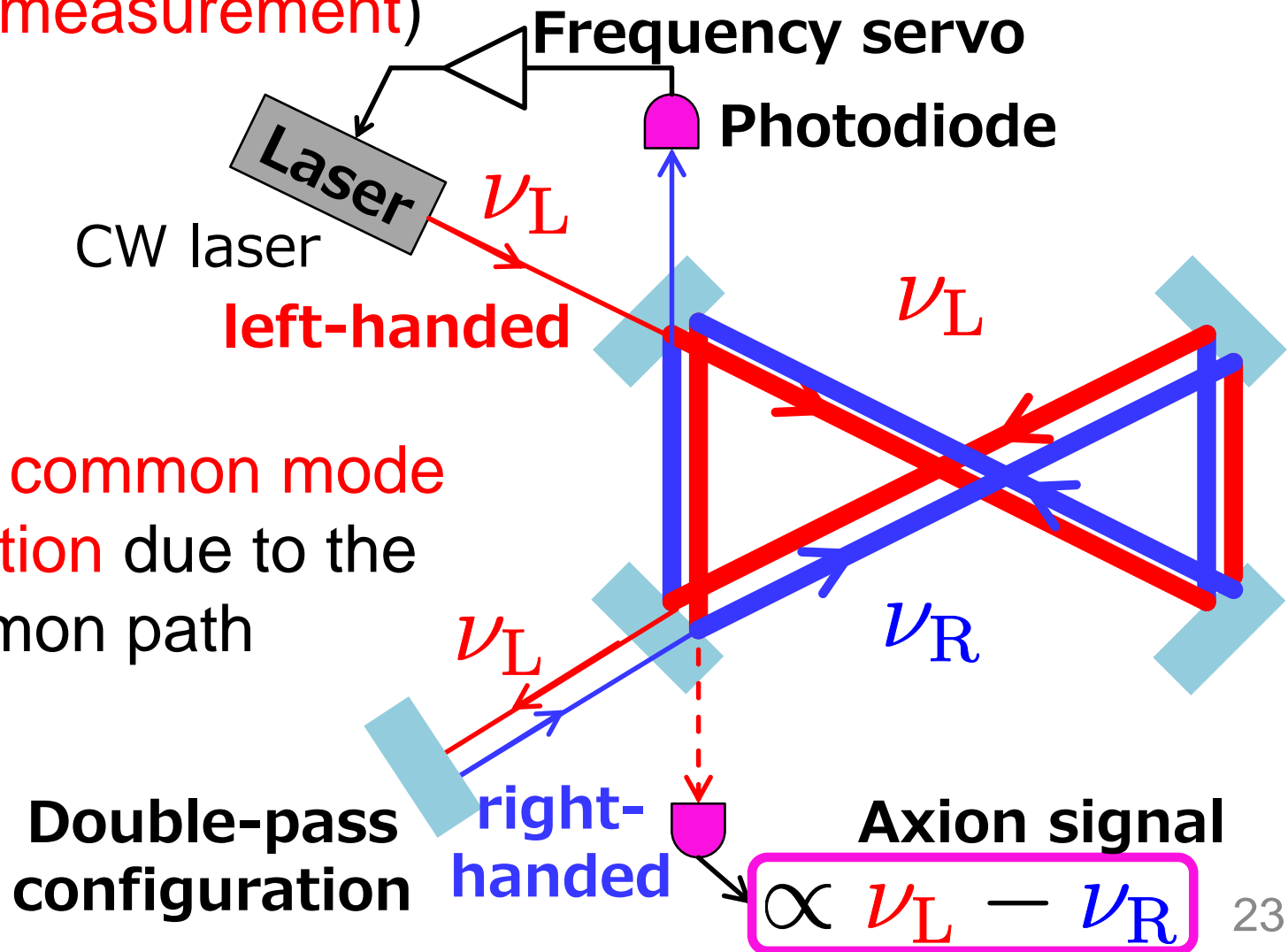
- Use of **double-pass configuration**

Transmitted beam is reflected back into the same cavity as different polarization to realize a **null measurement** of the resonant frequency difference

Y.M+, [PRL 110, 200401 \(2013\)](#)

# Double-Pass Configuration

- Axion signal is extracted from the cavity reflection (**null measurement**)



- High **common mode rejection** due to the common path

# Sensitivity Calculation

- Cavity length changes (displacement noises) will not be a fundamental noise due to **common mode rejection**
- Ultimately limited by quantum **shot noise**

$$\sqrt{S_{\text{shot}}} = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{4\pi P} \left( \frac{\pi^2}{L^2 \mathcal{F}^2} + m_a^2 \right)}$$

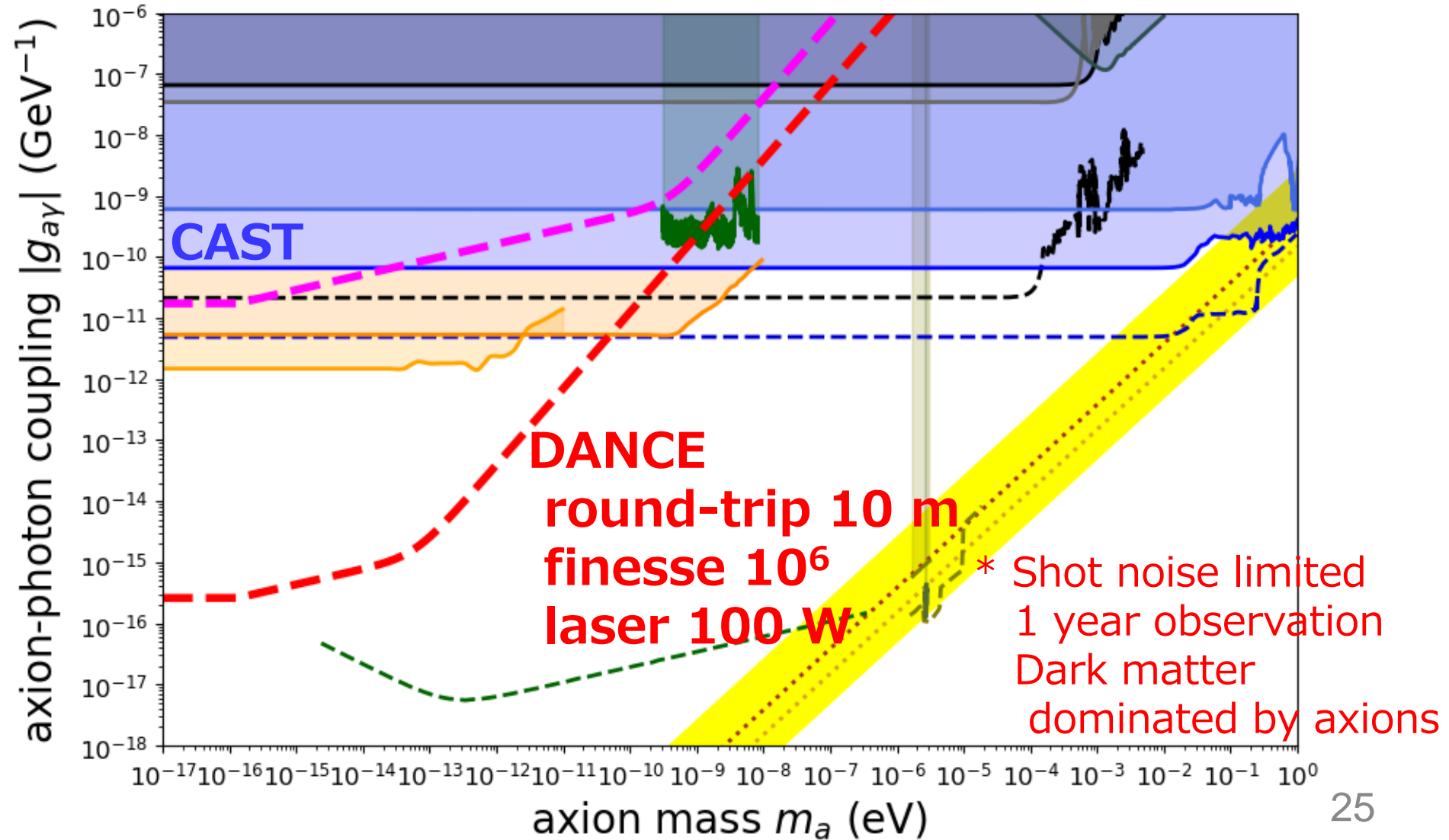
input laser power  
cavity length  
finesse  
axion mass

- Sensitivity to axion-photon coupling can be calculated by assuming **axion density = dark matter density**



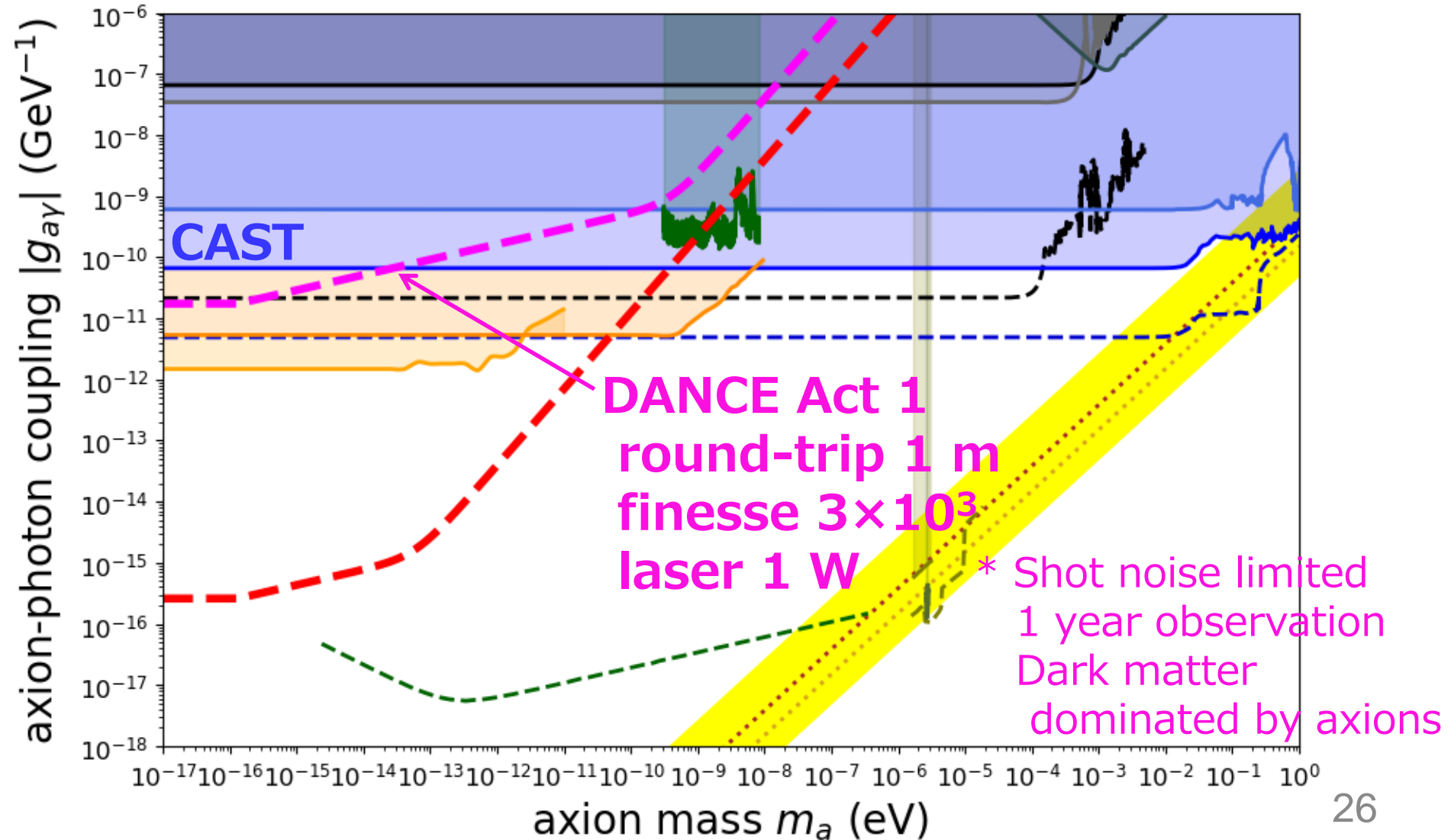
# Search for Unexplored Region

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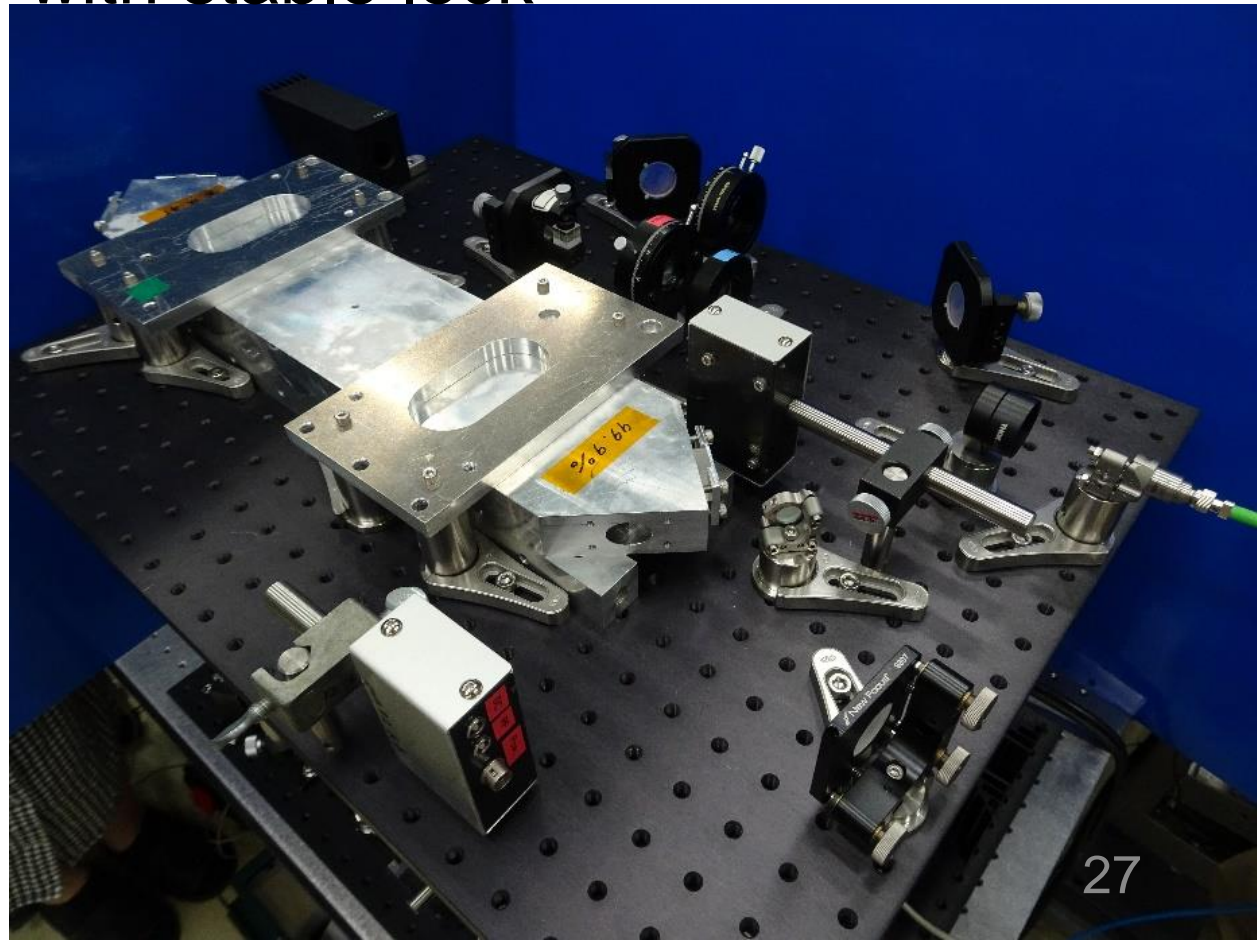
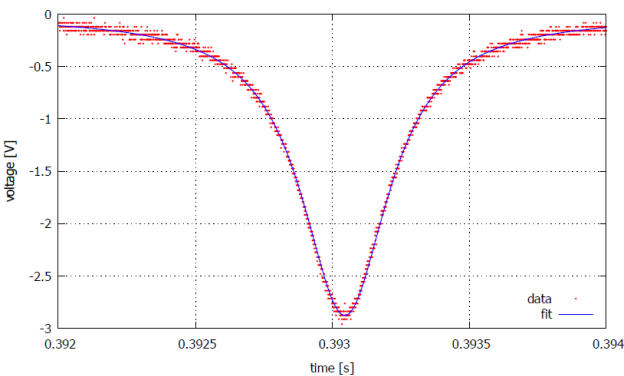
# Prototype Experiment

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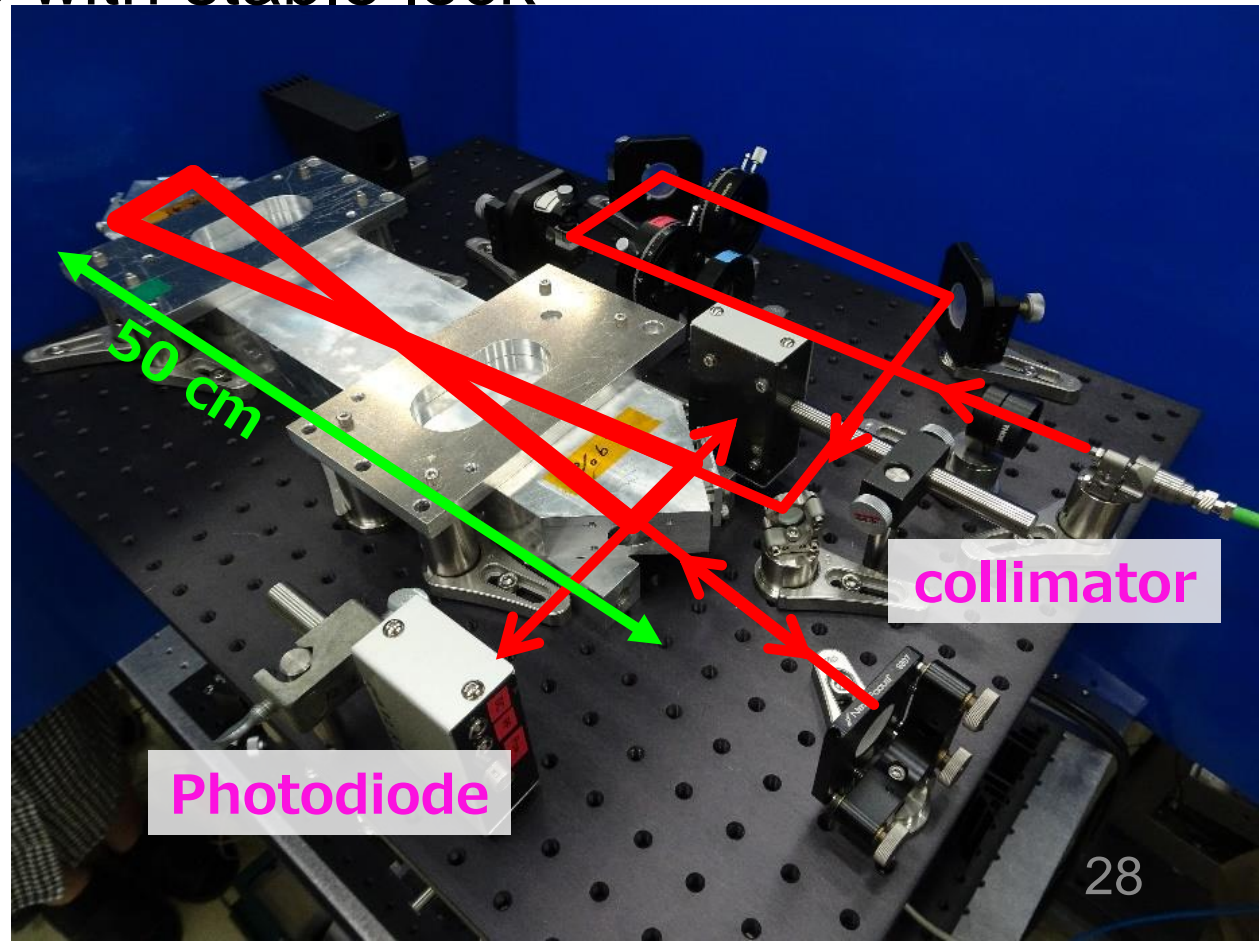
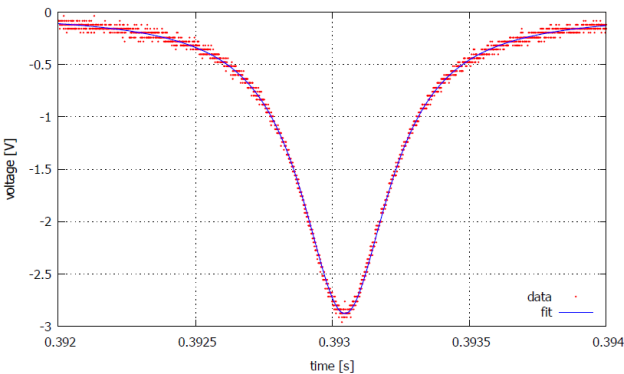
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- Aiming for first run in 2020



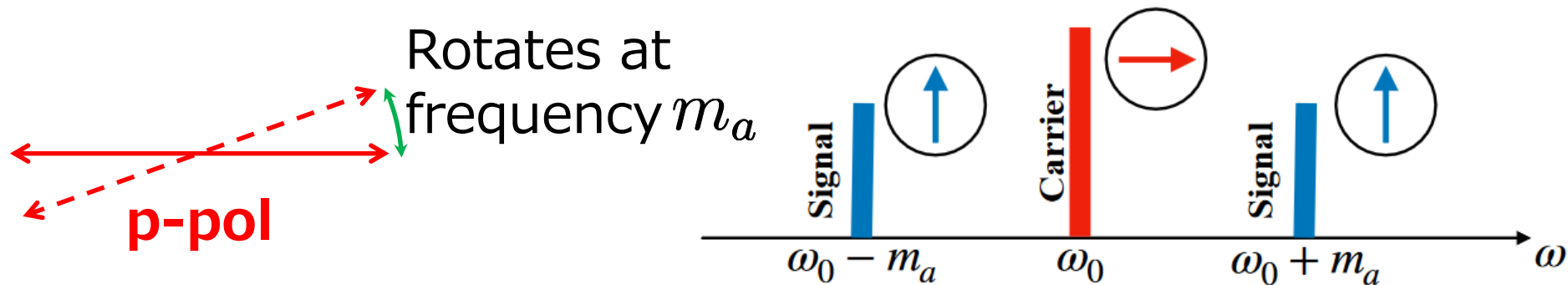
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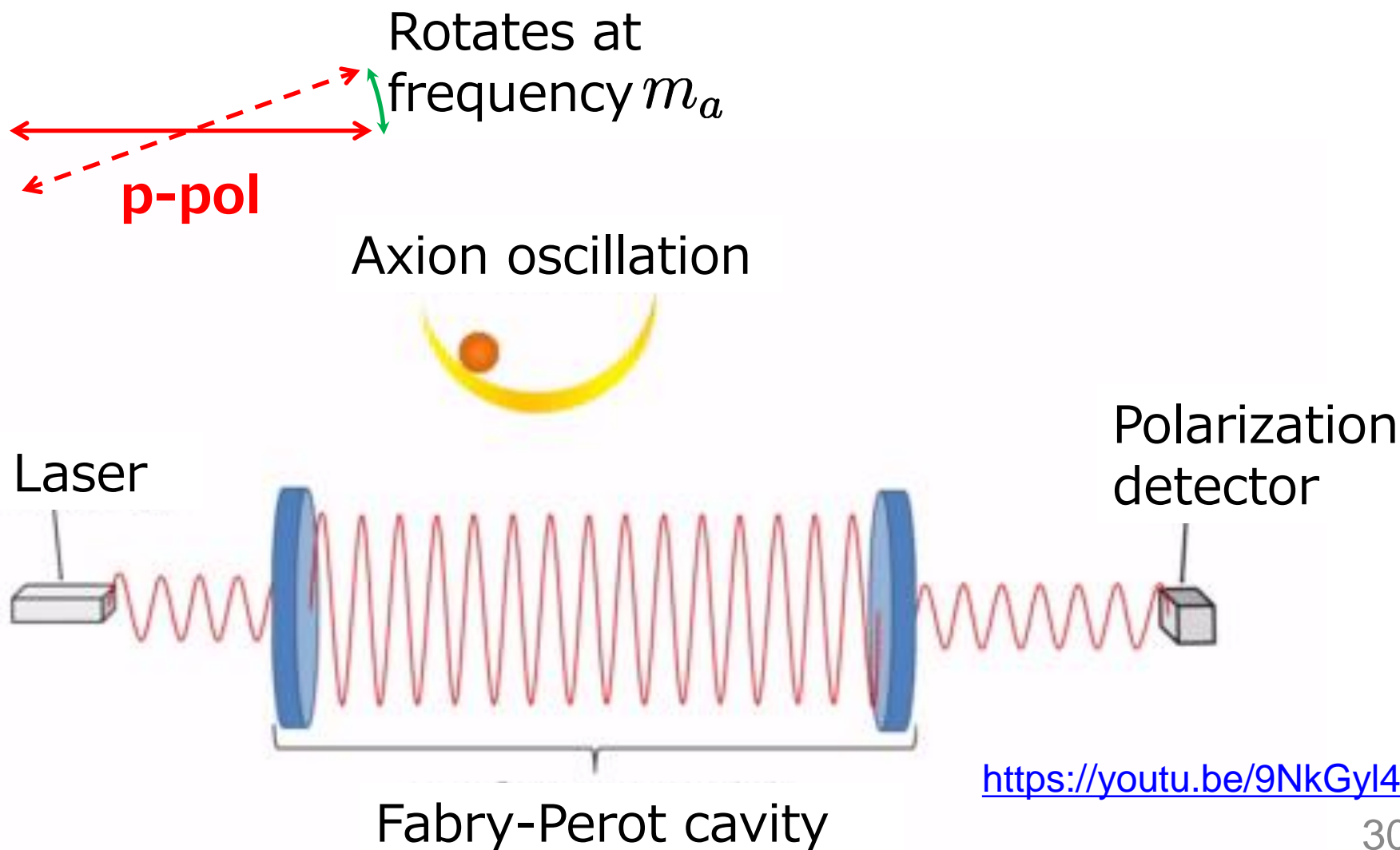
Liu+, [PRD 100, 023548 \(2019\)](#)

- Sensitive when **axion oscillation period** and **round-trip time** of optical cavity is the same



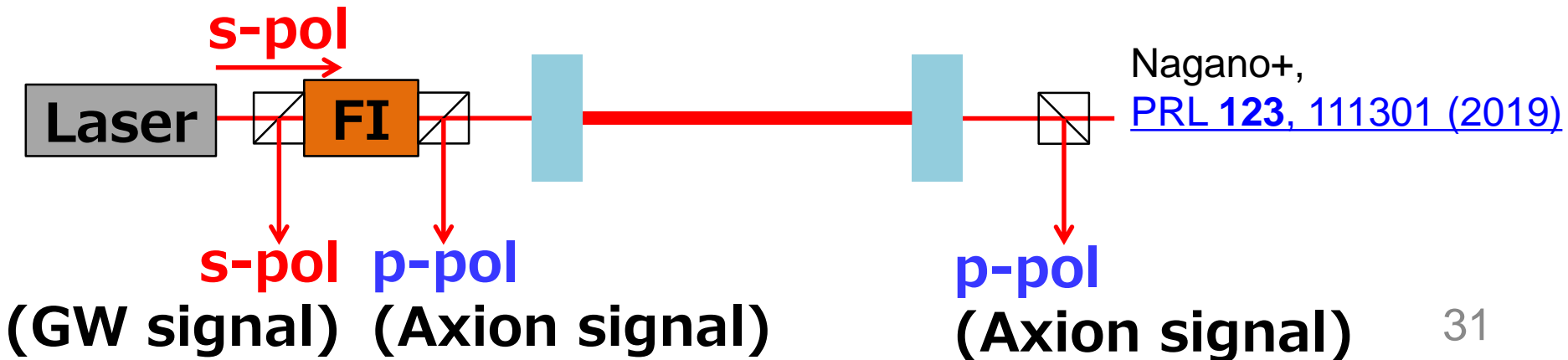
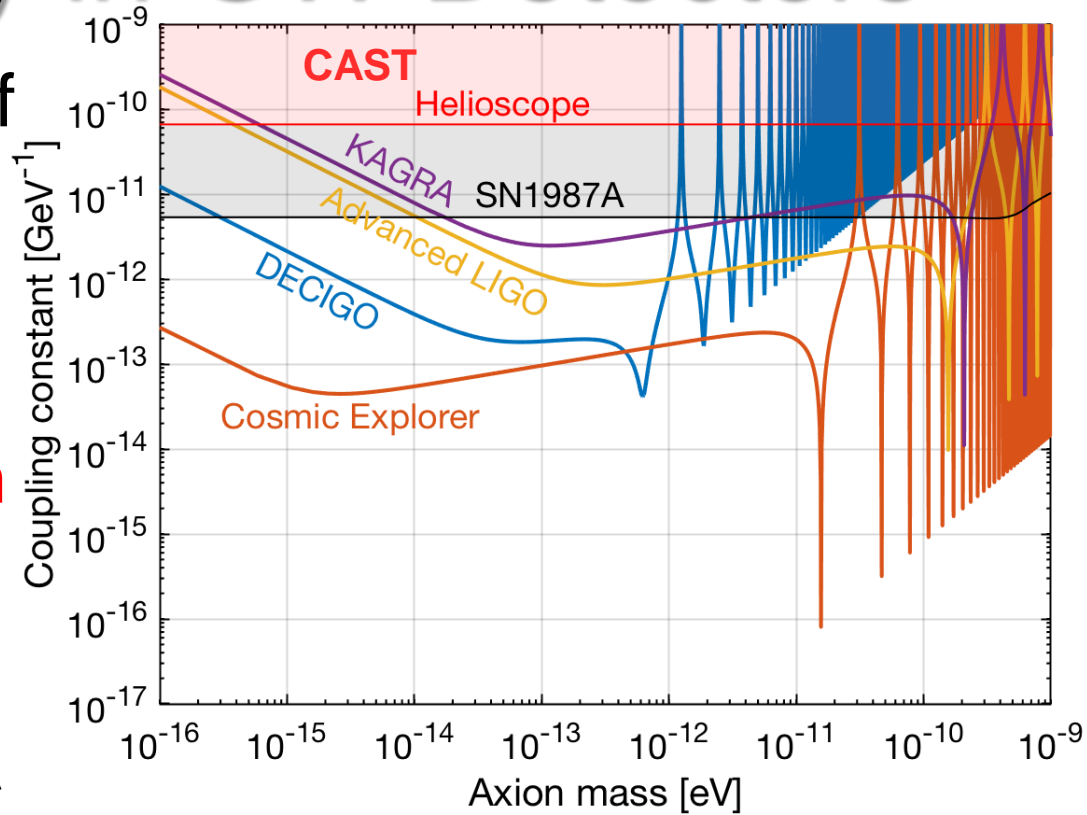
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# Linear Cavity in GW Detectors

- Suitable because of long arms and high power
- Can be done **simultaneously with GW observation**
- Considering of applying to KAGRA



# Other Recent Proposals

- There are also different proposals for axion dark matter search with laser interferometers

DeRocco & Hook, [PRD 98, 035021 \(2018\)](#); Liu+, [PRD 100, 023548 \(2019\)](#); Martynov & Miao, [PRD 101, 095034 \(2020\)](#)

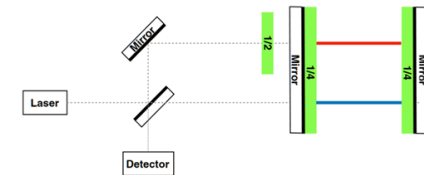


FIG. 3. A diagram of our proposed axion interferometer where

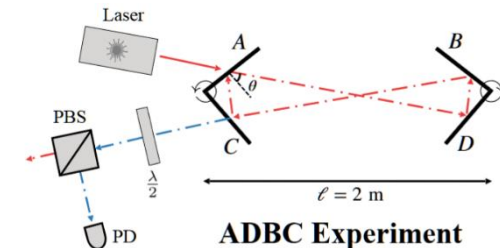
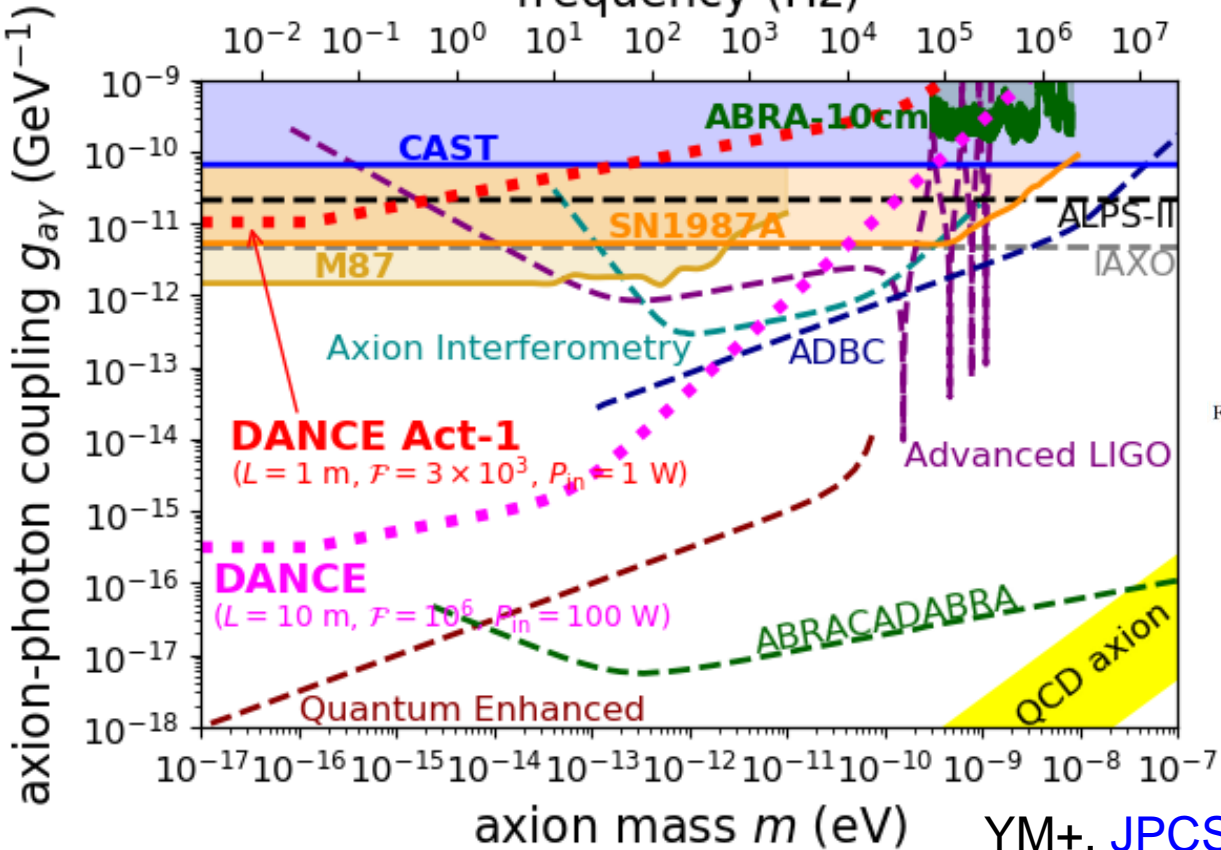
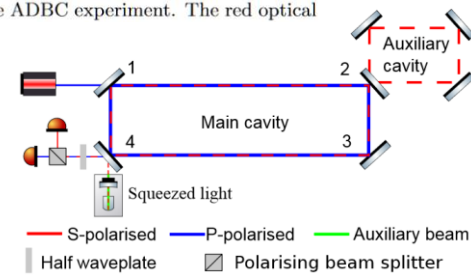


FIG. 2: Schematic of the ADBC experiment. The red optical



YM+, [JPCS 1468, 012032 \(2020\)](#)



# Search for Scalar Dark Matter

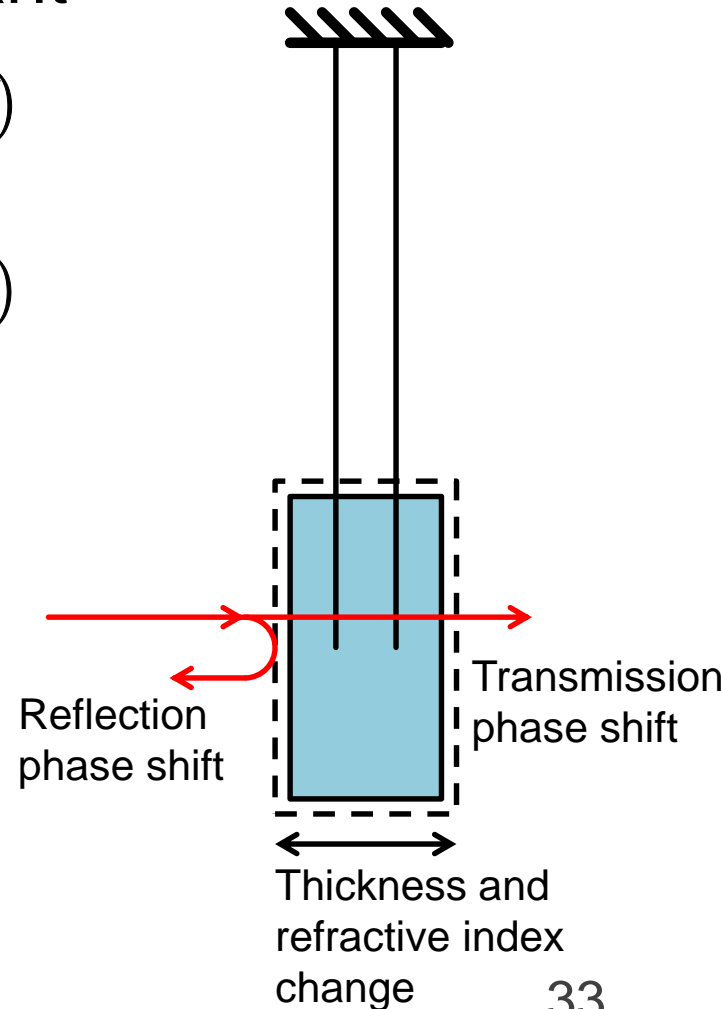
- Dilaton-like scalar DM drives oscillations in electron mass and fine structure constant

$$\frac{\delta m_e}{m_e} = \frac{1}{\Lambda_f} \phi_0 \cos(m_\phi t - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{r})$$

$$\frac{\delta \alpha}{\alpha} = \frac{1}{\Lambda_\gamma} \phi_0 \cos(m_\phi t - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{r})$$

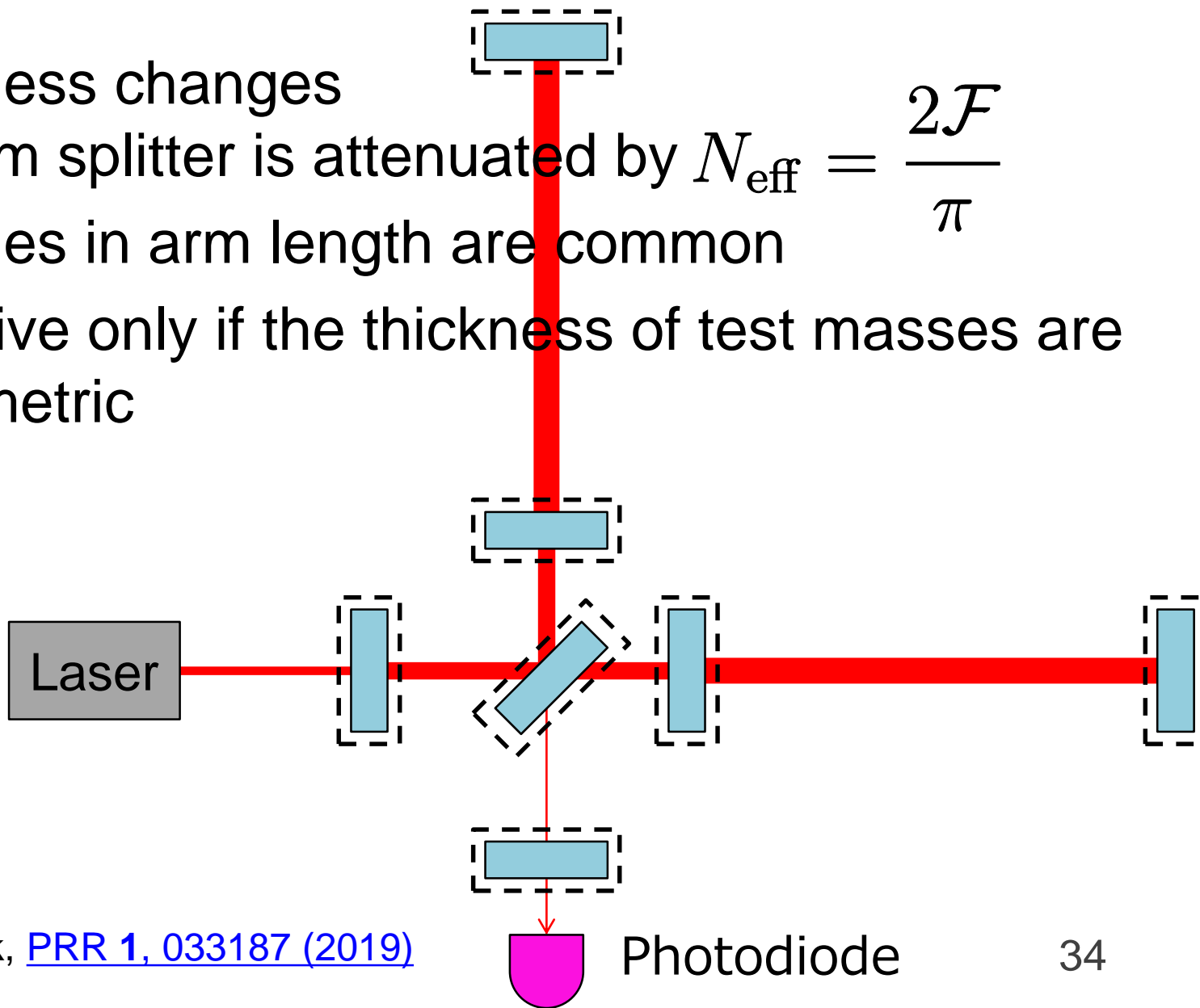
- This drives oscillations in the Bohr radius  $a_0 = \frac{\hbar}{\alpha m_e c}$
- The size and refractive index of mirrors changes

$$\frac{\delta l}{l} = \left( -\frac{\delta \alpha}{\alpha} - \frac{\delta m_e}{m_e} \right)$$



# Search with GW Detectors

- Thickness changes in beam splitter is attenuated by  $N_{\text{eff}} = \frac{2\mathcal{F}}{\pi}$
- Changes in arm length are common
- Sensitive only if the thickness of test masses are asymmetric



# Sensitivity to Scalar DM

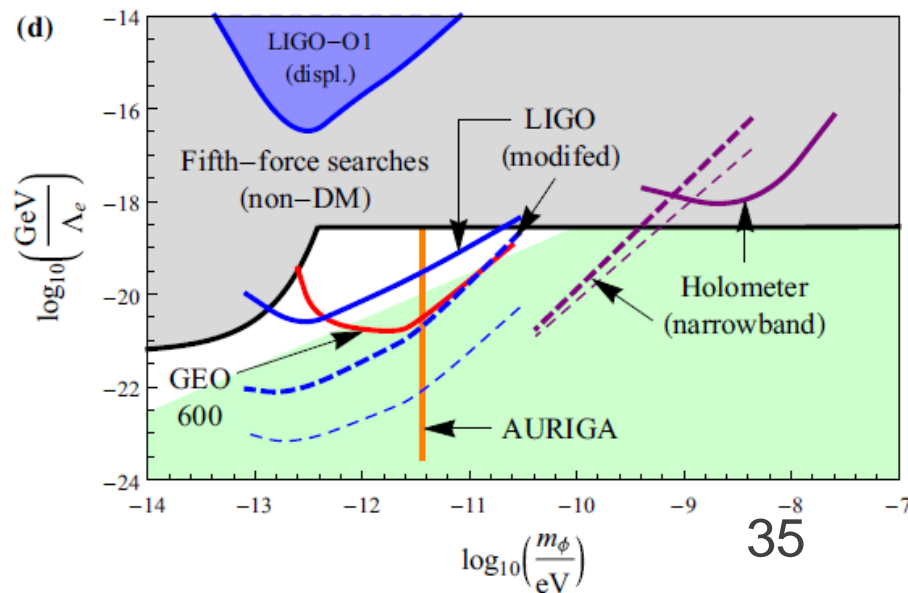
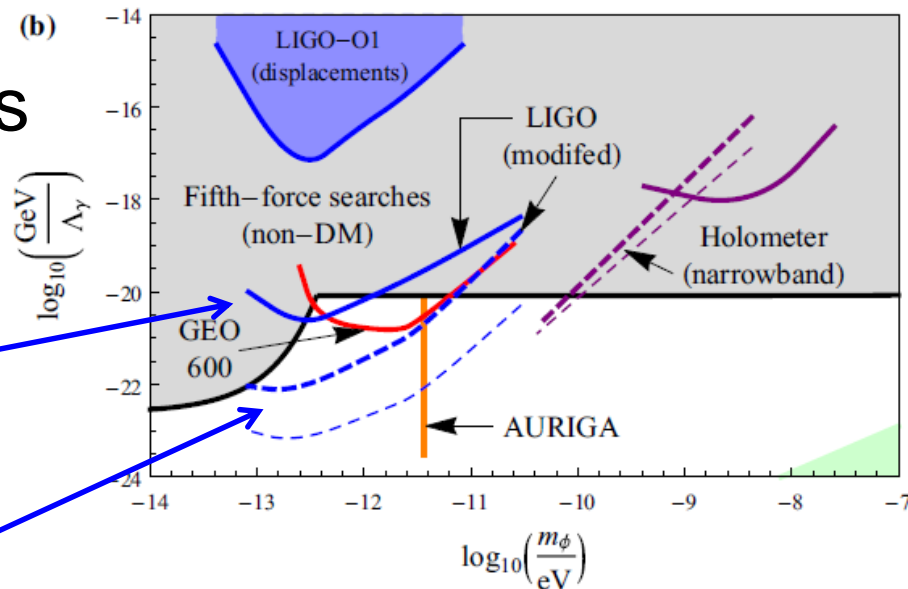
- Promising if test masses are asymmetric

Advanced LIGO design  
 ( $\Delta l_{\text{TM}} = 80 \text{ } \mu\text{m}$ ; BS effect dominates)

Advanced LIGO modified  
 ( $\Delta l_{\text{TM}} / l_{\text{TM}} = 10\%$ ; TM effect dominates)

\*  $10^8 \text{ sec}$  observation assumed

Grote & Stadnik, [PRR 1, 033187 \(2019\)](#)



# Search for Vector Dark Matter

- Dark gauge bosons (e.g. dark photon)
- New gauge symmetry: B-L (baryon number minus lepton number)
  - B-L is conserved in standard model
  - B-L could be the charge for dark gauge boson
- Gauge bosons give acceleration to mirrors

Dimensionless coupling strength

Dark charge

$q/M \sim 1/2 /\text{GeV}$  for B-L

$$\vec{a}(t, \vec{r}_i) = \epsilon_{\text{B-L}} e \frac{q_{\text{B-L},i}}{M_i} m_{\text{A}} \vec{A}_0 \cos(m_{\text{A}} t - \vec{k}_{\text{A}} \cdot \vec{r}_i)$$

- Arm cavity differential length change

If  $q/M$  is the same for all the mirrors

$$\sqrt{\langle \delta L^2 \rangle} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \frac{|a| k L}{m_{\text{A}}^2}$$

$\sim 10^{-6}$

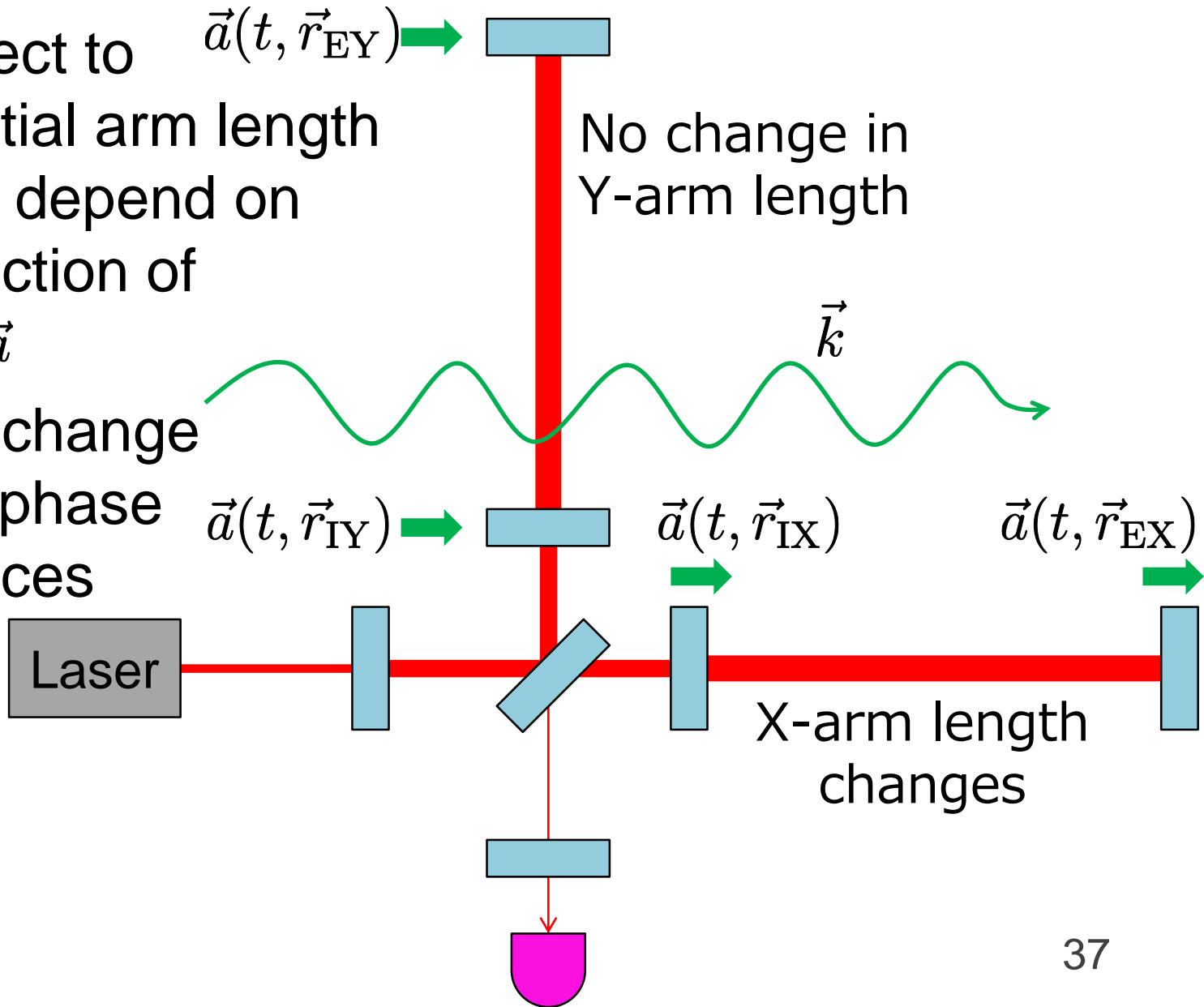
for  $m_{\text{A}} = 100 \text{ Hz} = 4e-13 \text{ eV}$   
and  $L=4 \text{ km}$  (Advanced LIGO)

Averaged over all directions of  $a$  and  $k$

# Sensitivity to $U(1)_{B-L}$ Gauge Boson

- The effect to differential arm length change depend on the direction of  $\vec{k}$  and  $\vec{a}$

- Length change rely on phase differences

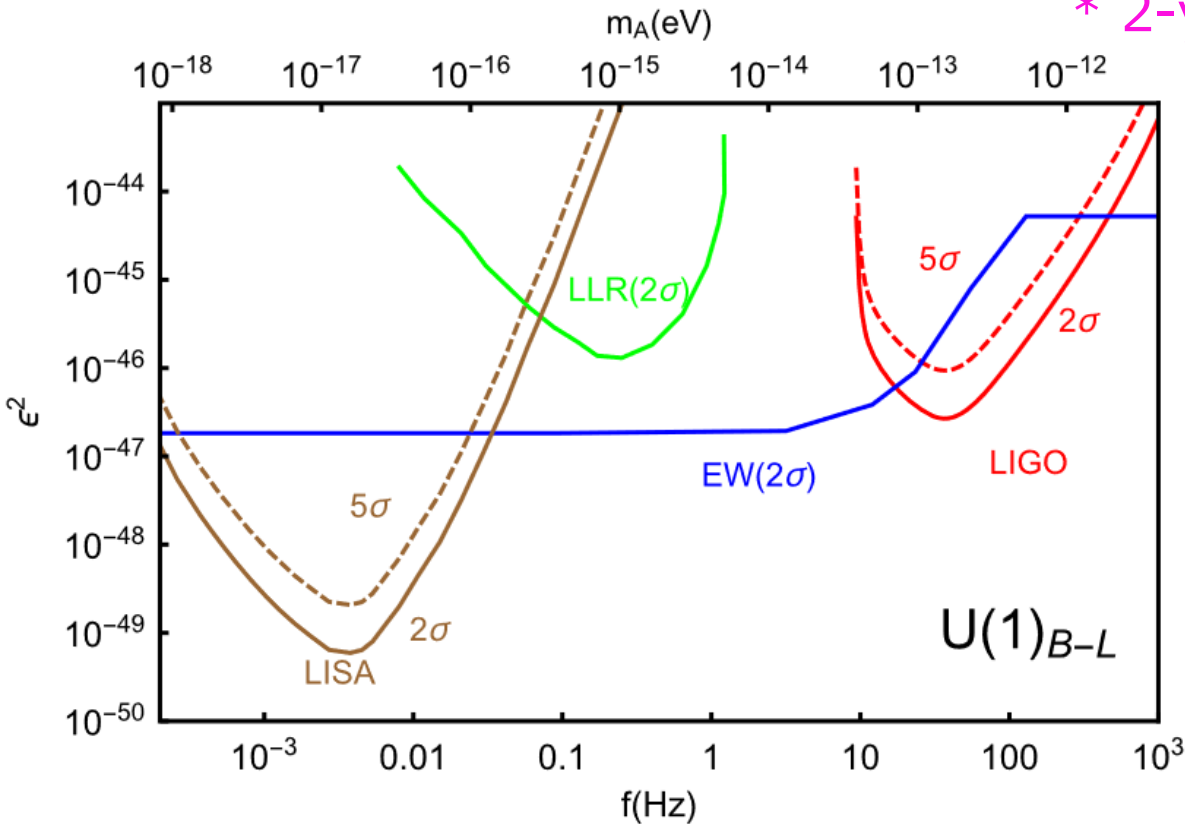


# Sensitivity to $U(1)_{B-L}$ Gauge Boson

- Sensitivity can be better than equivalence principle tests with torsion pendulum

A. Pierce+, [PRL 121, 061102 \(2018\)](#)

\* 2-year observation assumed

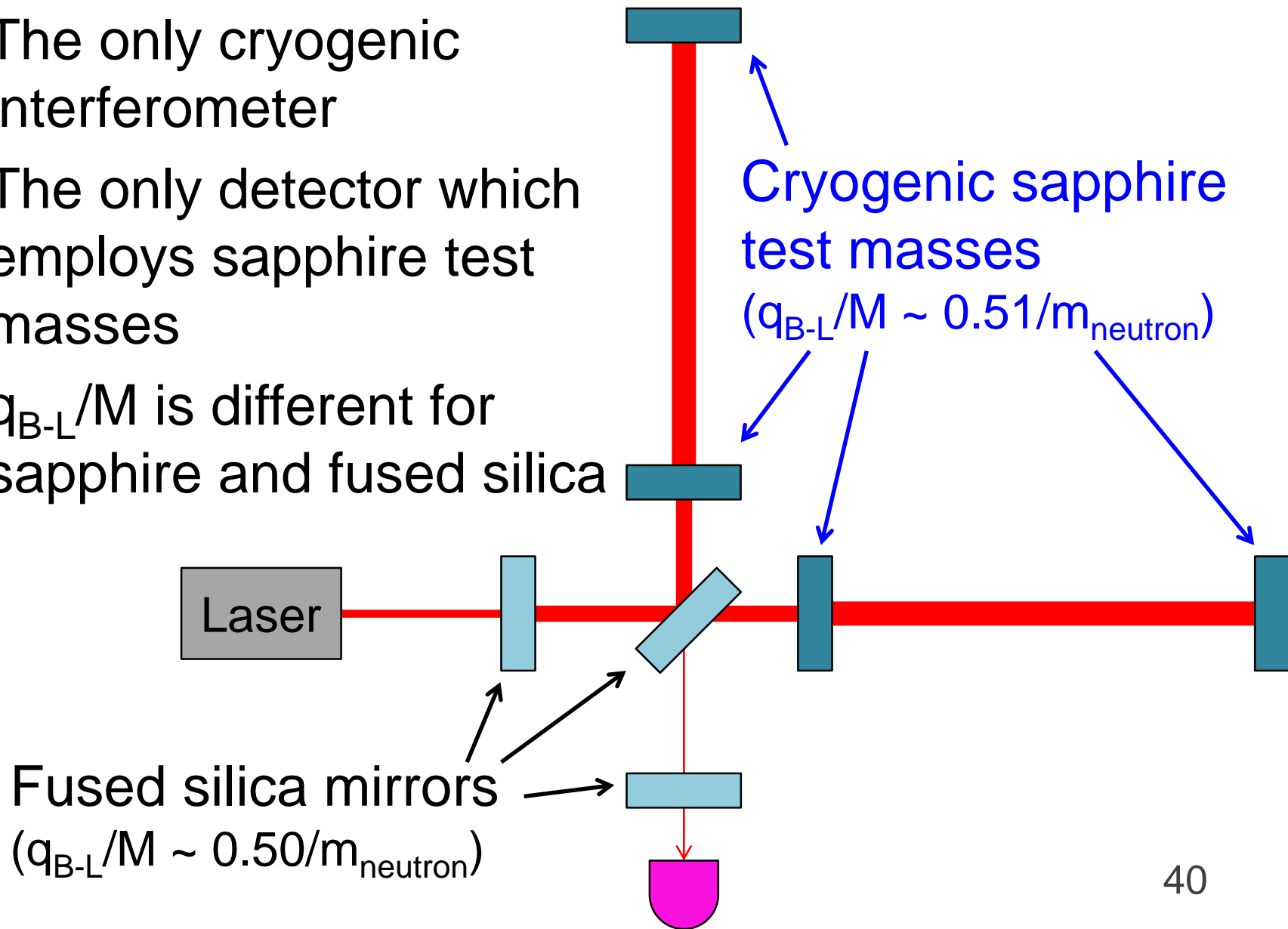


# Our New Idea

- Issues with previous proposals for scalar and vector dark matter search
  - the effect is **common** to test masses
  - the effect is **common** to both arm cavities
- The sensitivity rely on slight asymmetry in the arm cavities or small phase differences in distant test masses
- How about using **auxiliary length signals** to enhance the sensitivity?
  - power/signal recycling cavity
  - Michelson interferometer

# KAGRA Interferometer

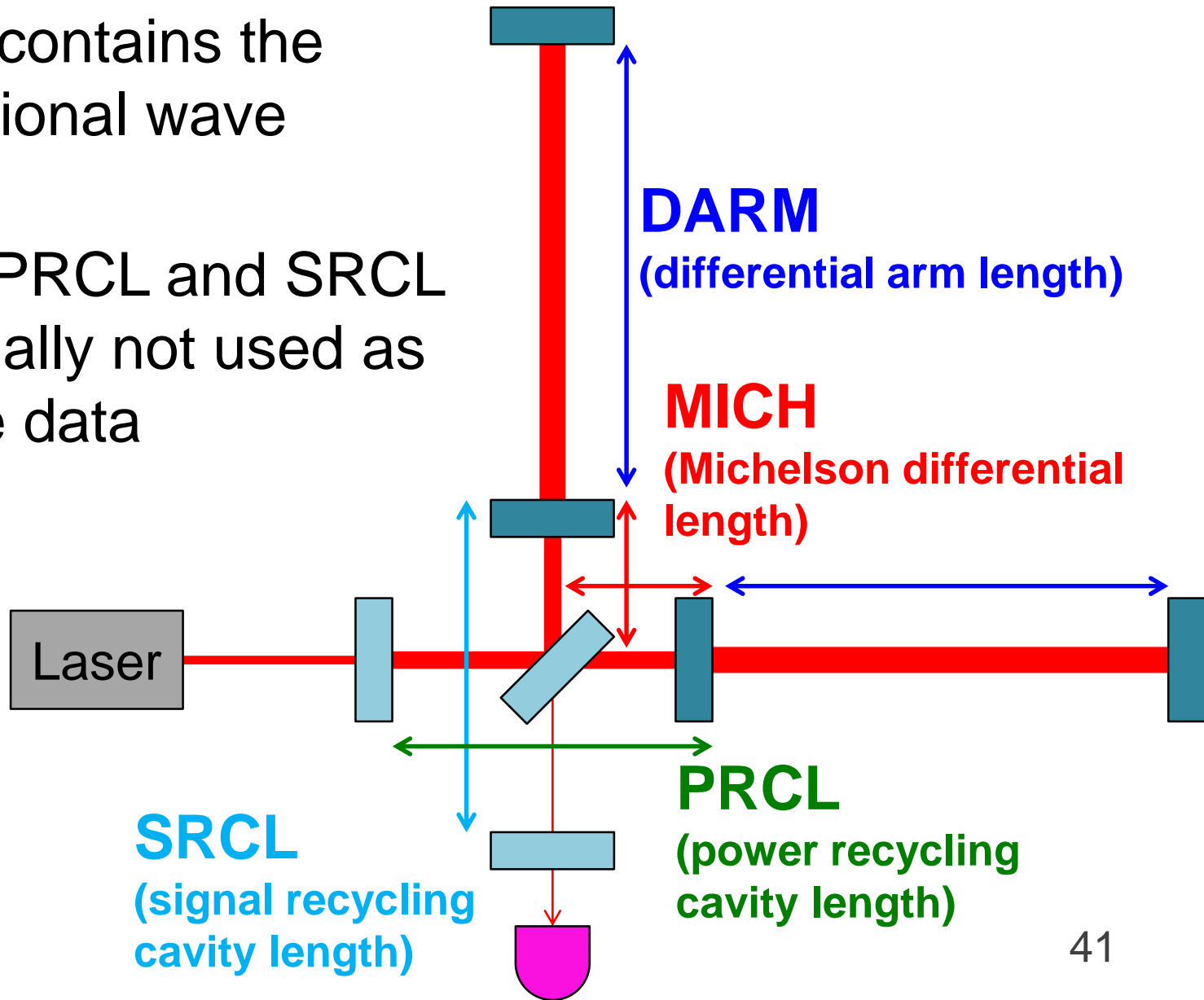
- The only cryogenic interferometer
- The only detector which employs sapphire test masses
- $q_{B-L}/M$  is different for sapphire and fused silica





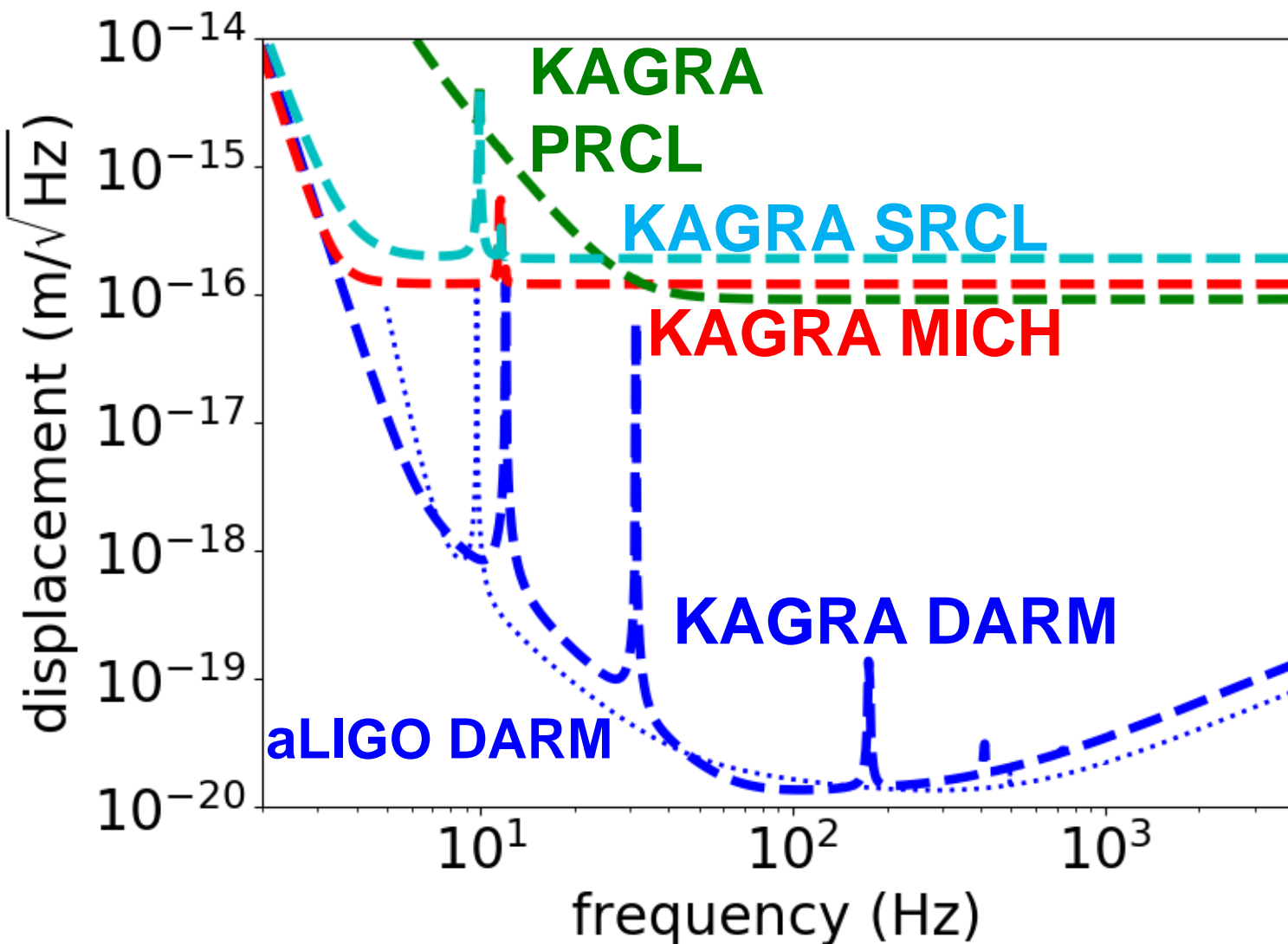
# Auxiliary Length Signals

- DARM contains the gravitational wave signal
- MICH, PRCL and SRCL are usually not used as science data



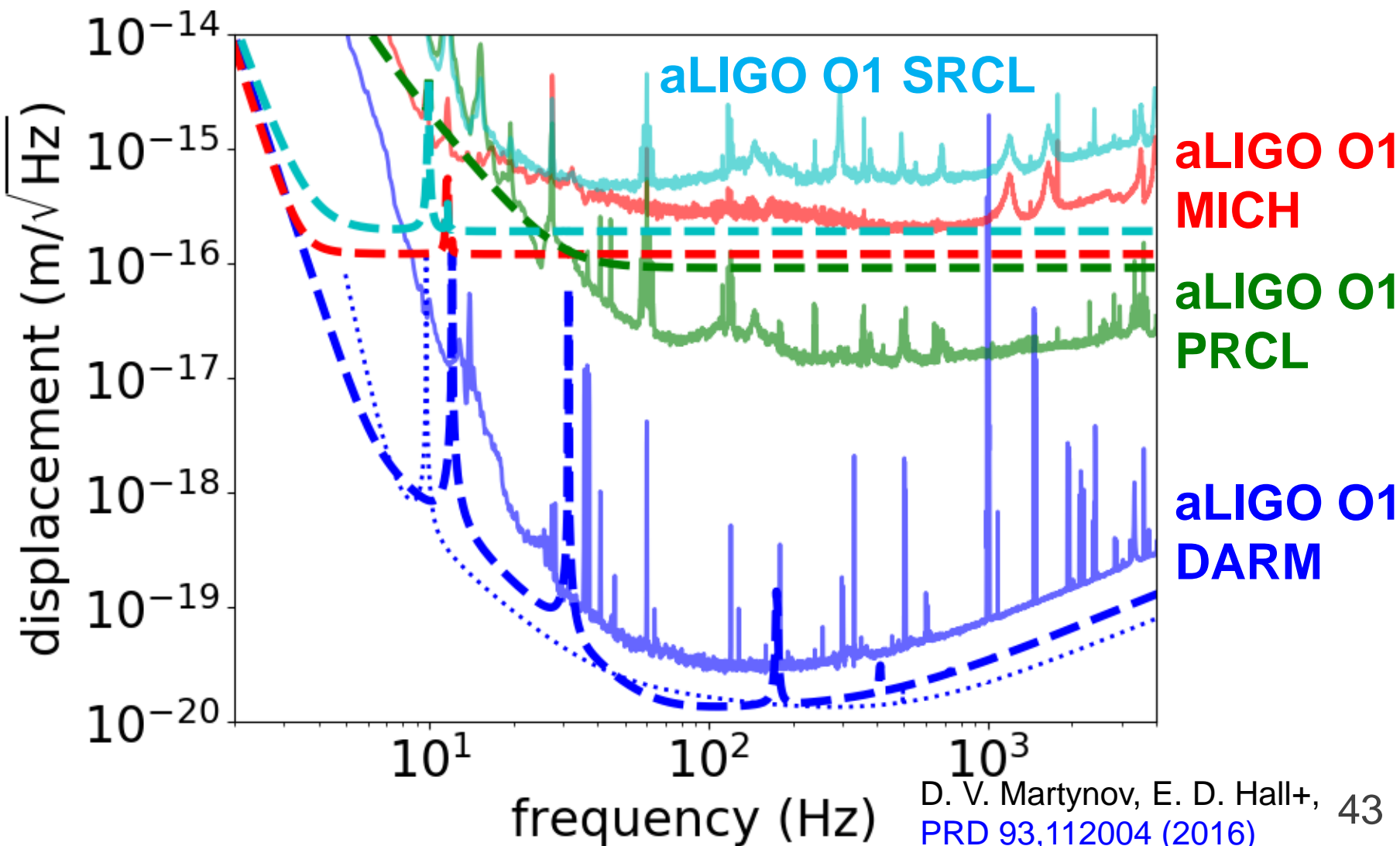
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- Auxiliary signals are not so sensitive at high freq.



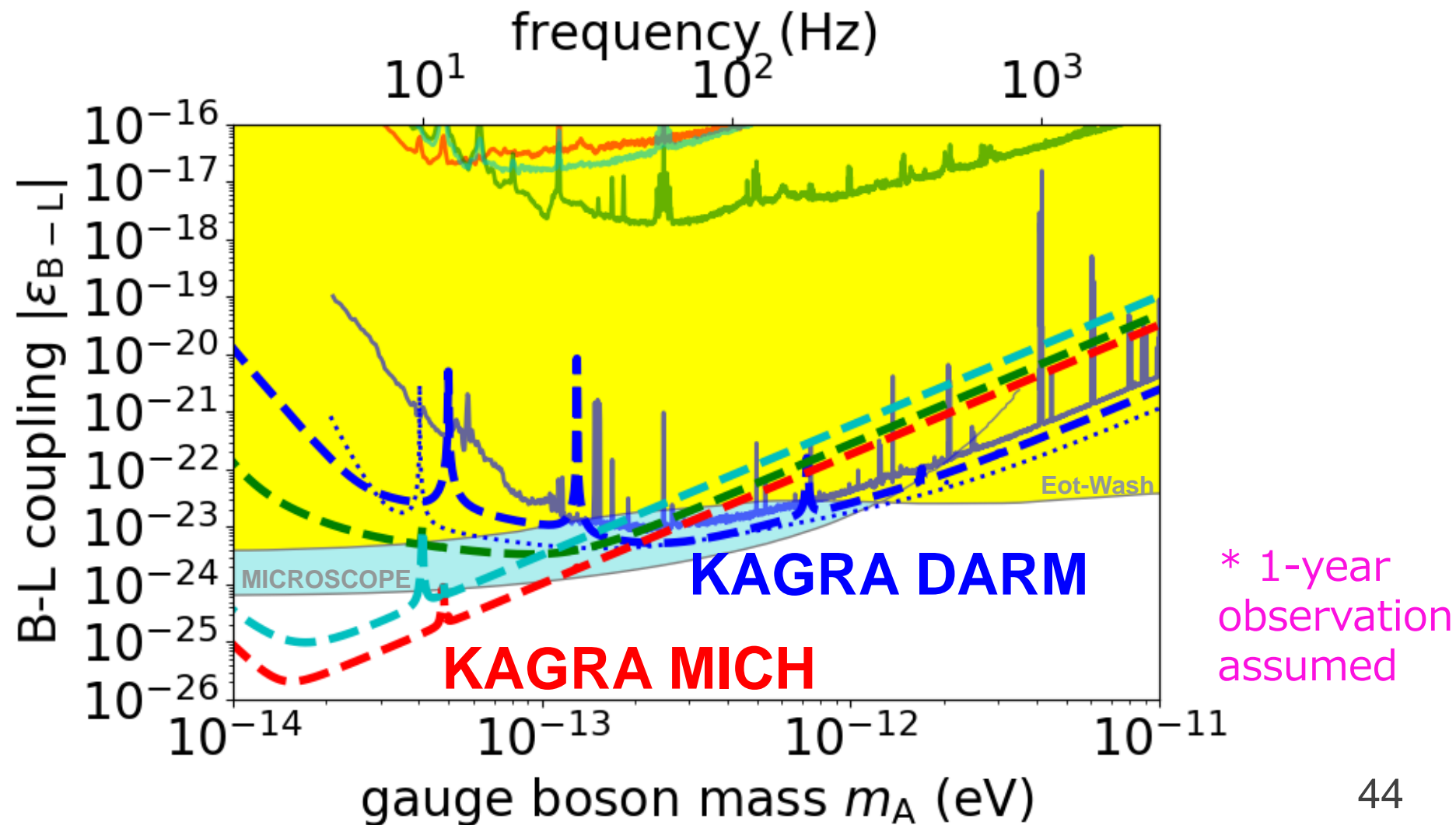
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# Sensitivity to $U(1)_{B-L}$ Gauge Boson

- Auxiliary signals can have better sensitivity



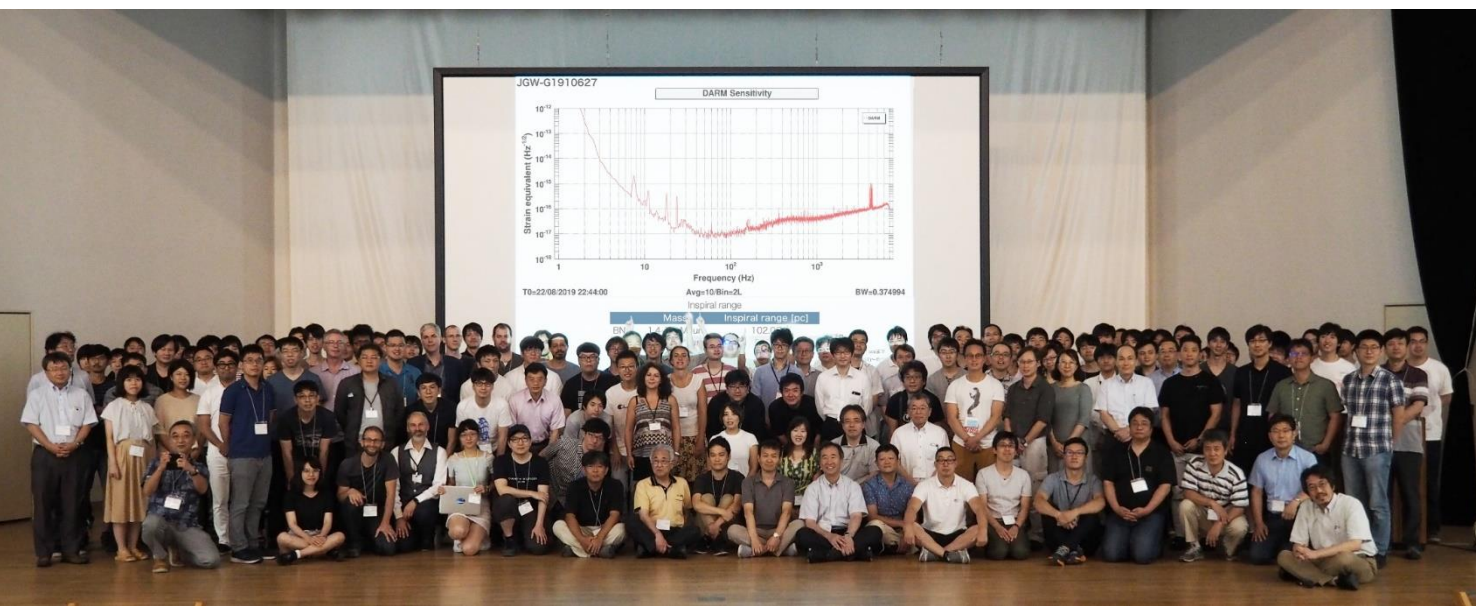
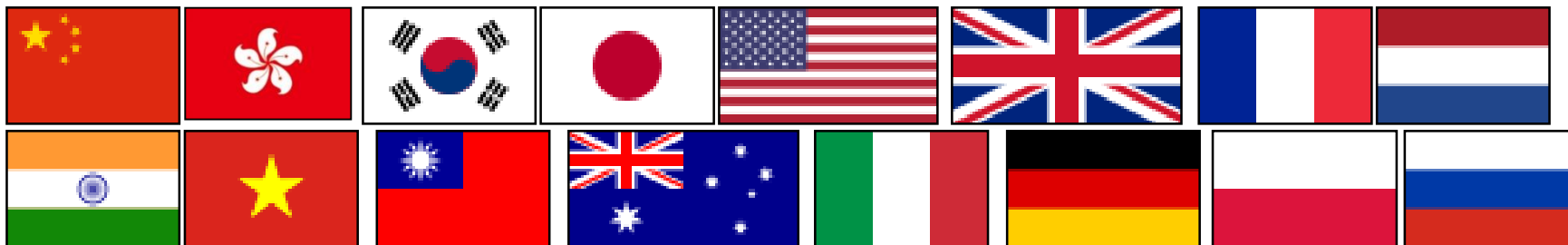
# Dark matter search with KAGRA

# KAGRA Project



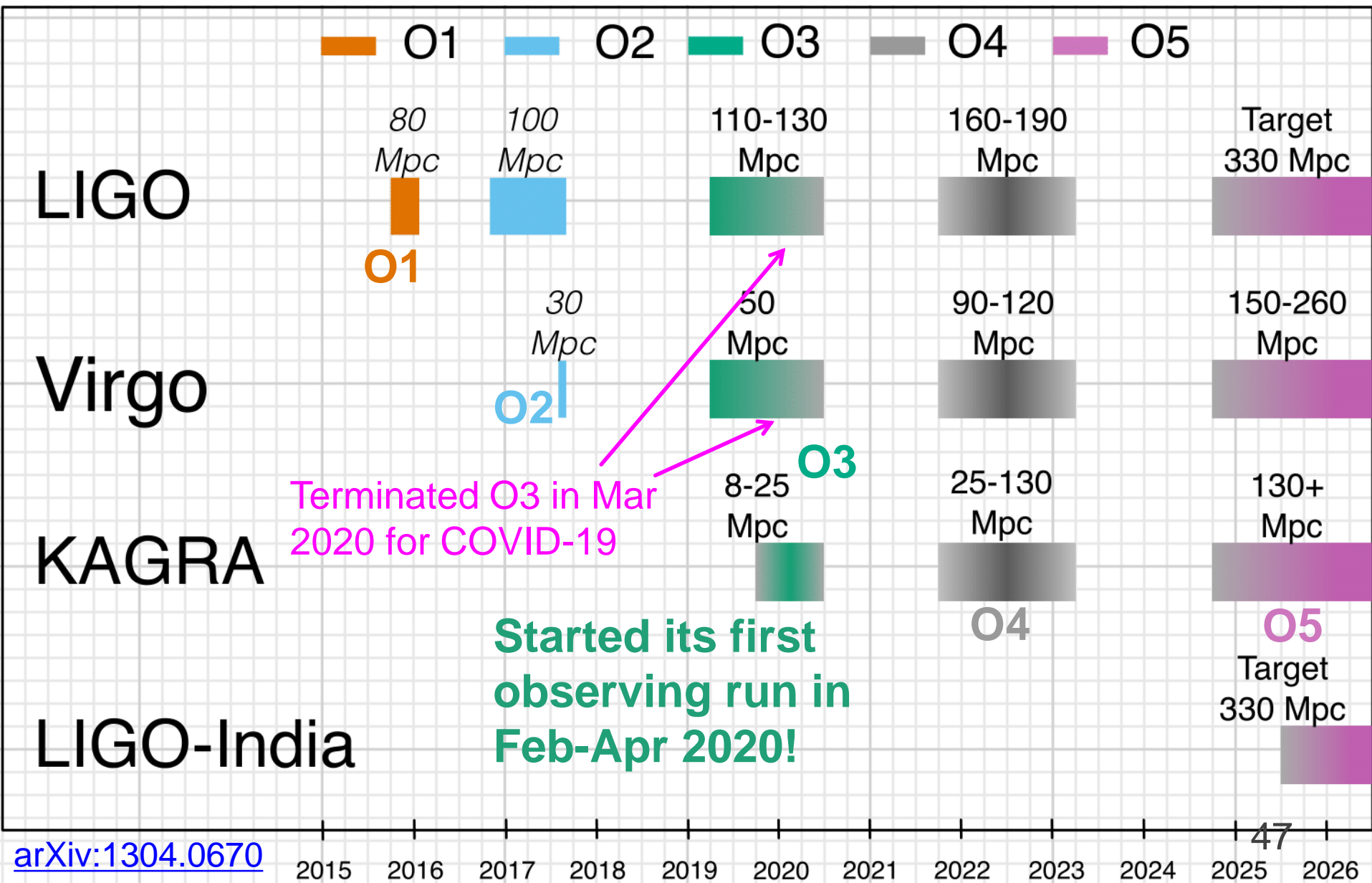
- Budget approved in 2010
- 110 institutes, 450+ collaborators (200 authors)
- **Cryogenic** and **underground**

Join us!



Aug 2019  
F2F meeting  
@ Toyama

# Observing Plans



# First KAGRA Observing Run

- Officially started on February 25, 2020
- But soon stopped to resume interferometer tuning
- Observing run restarted on April 7 to April 21
  - with  $\sim 0.6$  Mpc in binary neutron star range
  - $\sim 170$  hours of science data
- Joint observation with LIGO and Virgo was not possible

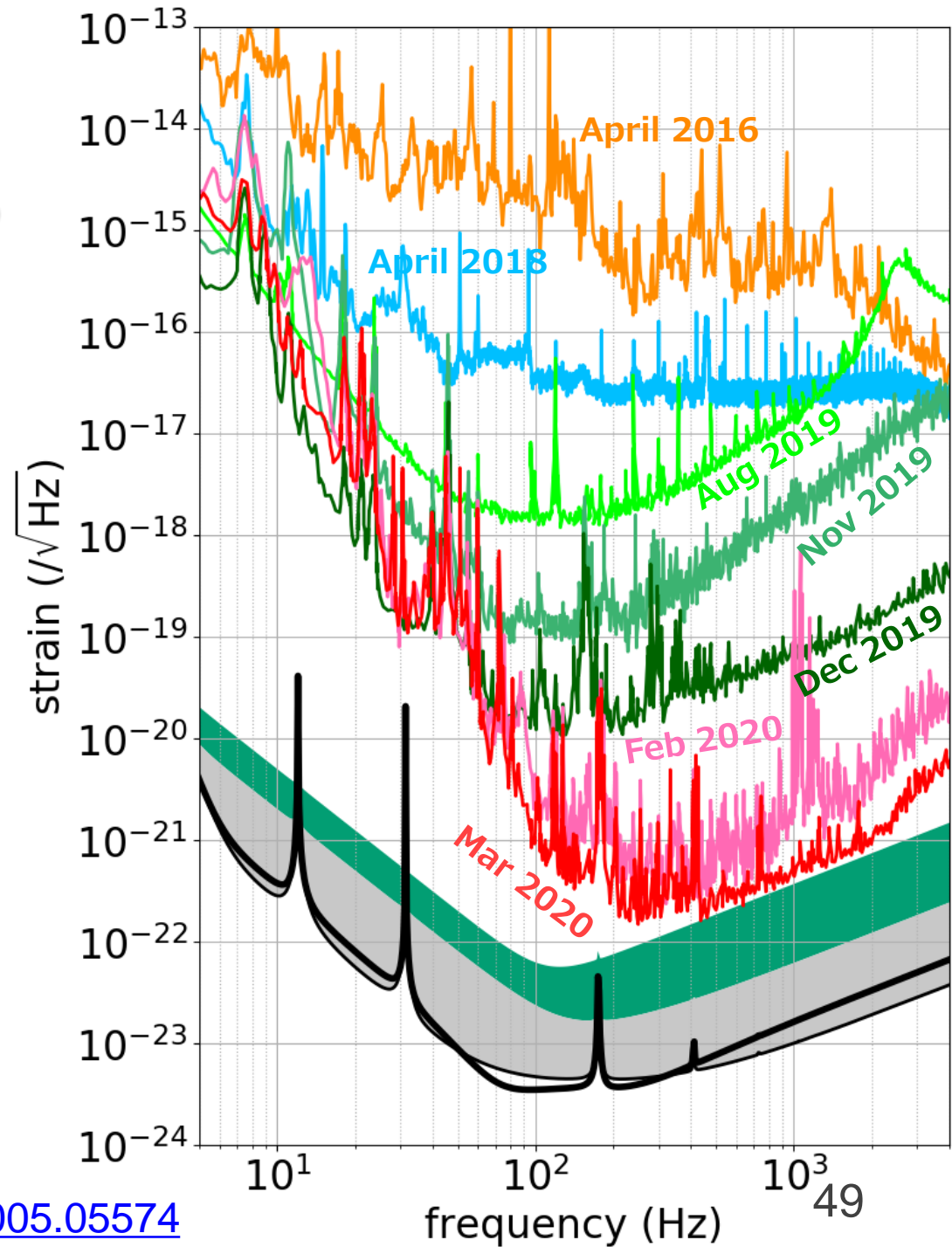
[arXiv:2005.05574](https://arxiv.org/abs/2005.05574)





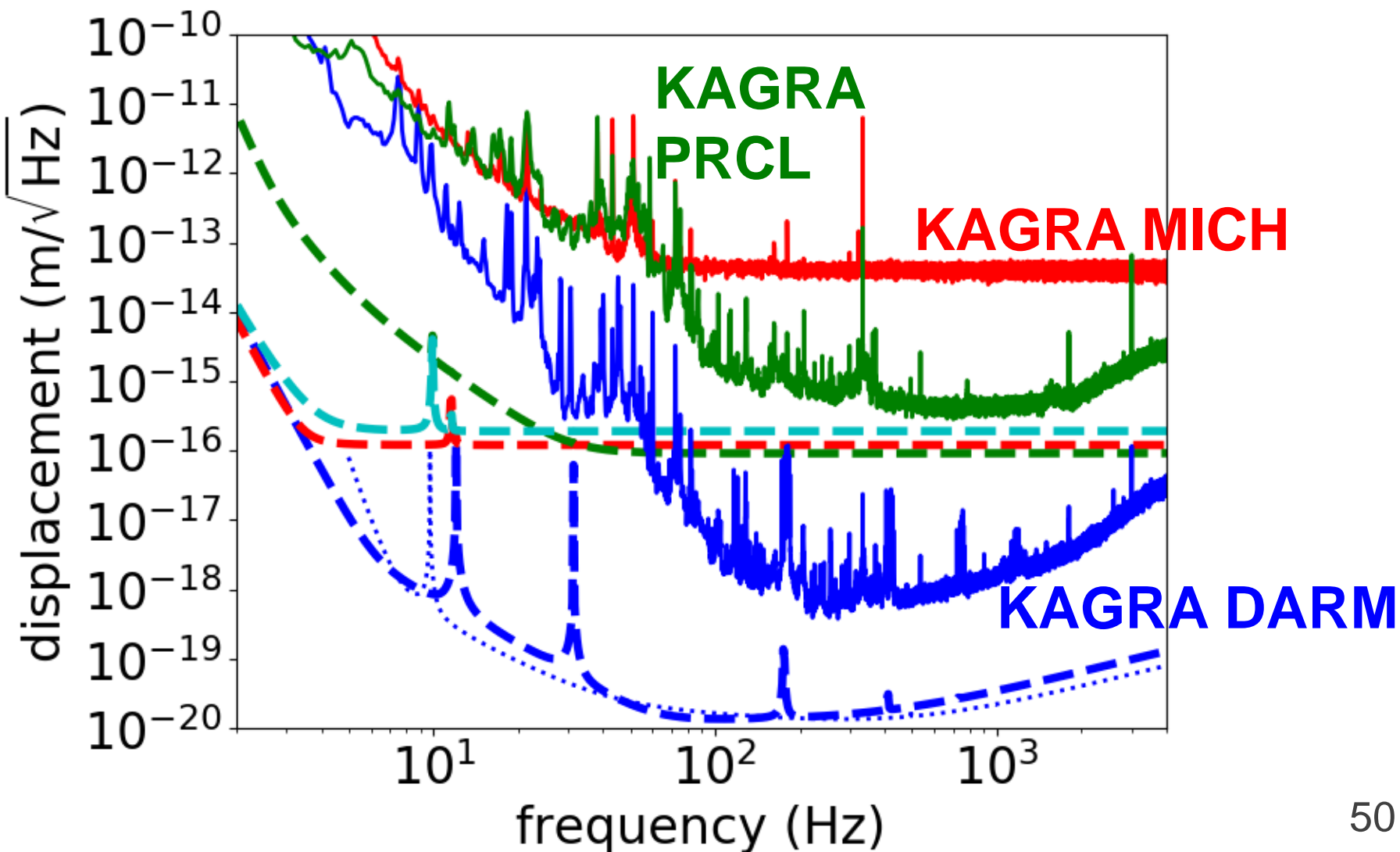
# Sensitivity Improvements

- Dramatic sensitivity improvement in the last 7 months



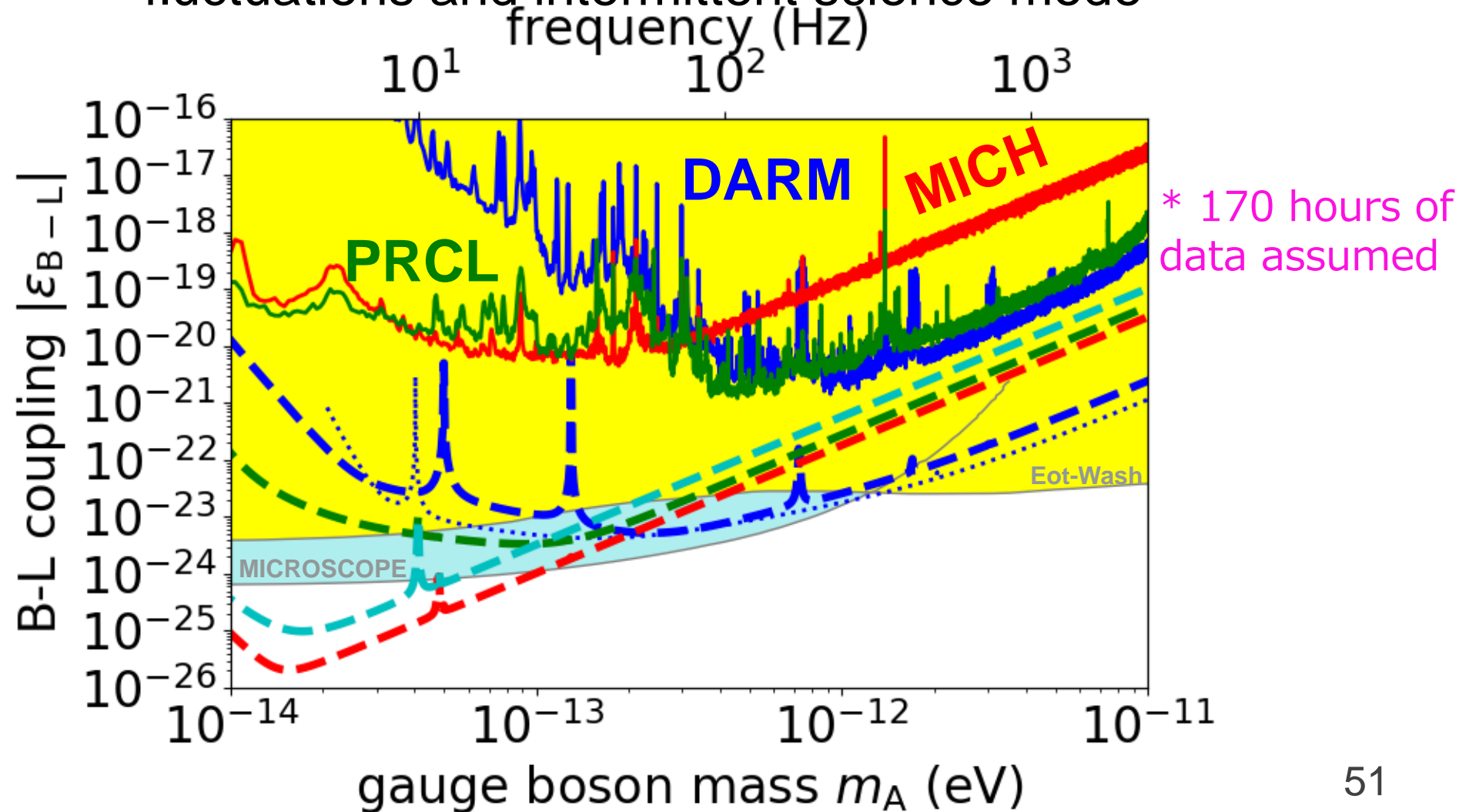
# Best Sensitivity on March 20, 2020

- ~2 orders of magnitude worse than the designed



# Prospected Sensitivity for $U(1)_{B-L}$

- Actual limit would be worse due to sensitivity fluctuations and intermittent science mode



# Plans for Dark Matter Search

- Development of **data analysis code** underway
- First try with O3 data
  - this will be **the first search for  $U(1)_{B-L}$  gauge boson** with laser interferometer
- Planning to install polarization optics to **search for axion-like particles by O4 (~2021)**
- Stay tuned for dark matter signals from gravitational wave detectors!

# Summary

- Laser interferometers are attractive tools to search for ultralight dark matter
- **Axion-like particles** can be searched with **polarization** measurements
- **Scalar fields** can be searched through variations in the optical **thickness** of mirrors
- **Gauge bosons** can be searched through measuring **forces** acting on mirrors
- KAGRA can do unique searches because of the use of sapphire mirrors