

# Laser interferometric searches for ultralight dark matter

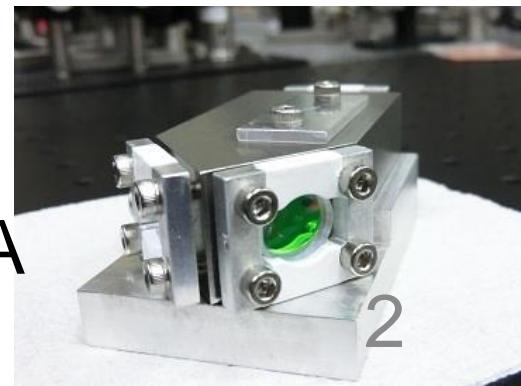
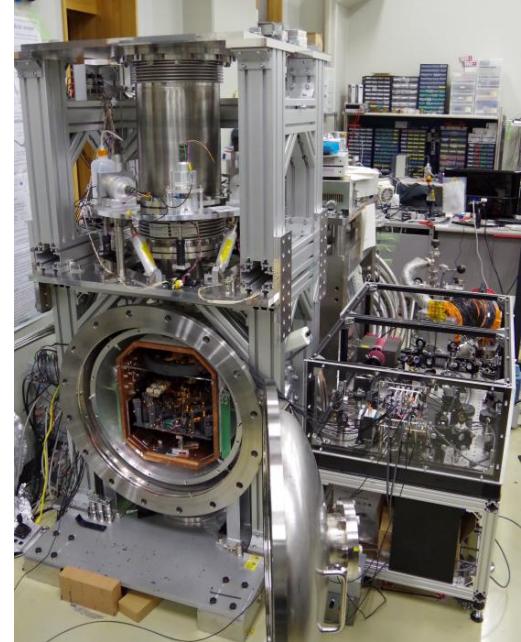
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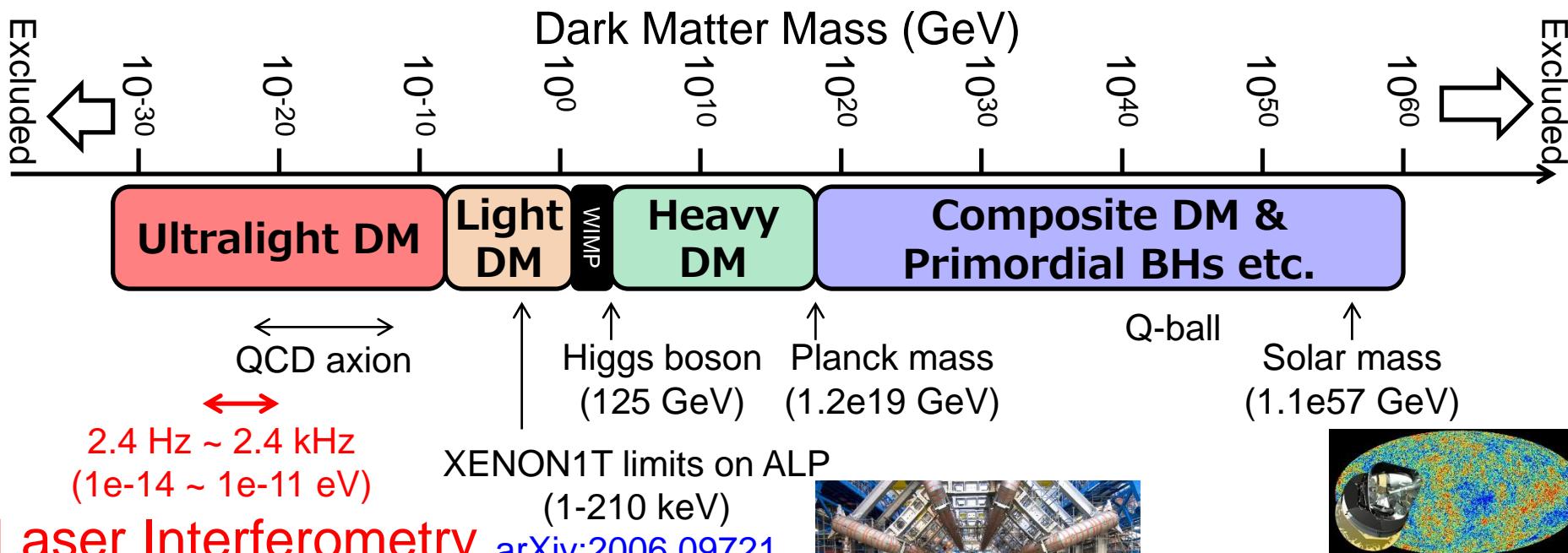
- Gravitational wave detectors
  - Ground-based detector **KAGRA**
  - Space detector **DECIGO**
  - Torsion bar antenna **TOBA**
- Optomechanics
  - mg-scale torsion pendulum
  - Optical levitation of mg-scale disk
- Tests of **Lorentz invariance**
  - Isotropy of speed of light
- Dark matter search
  - Axion search **DANCE**
  - Dark matter searches with KAGRA



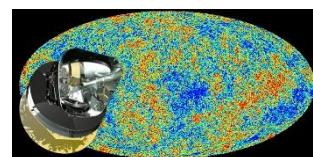
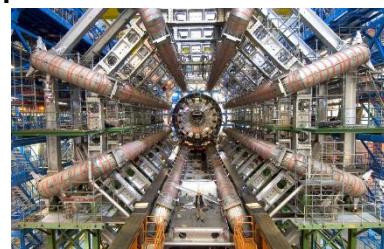
# Ultralight Dark Matter

- Ultralight DM ( $<\sim 1$  eV) behaves as classical wave fields

$$f = 242 \text{ Hz} \left( \frac{m_{\text{DM}}}{10^{-12} \text{ eV}} \right)$$

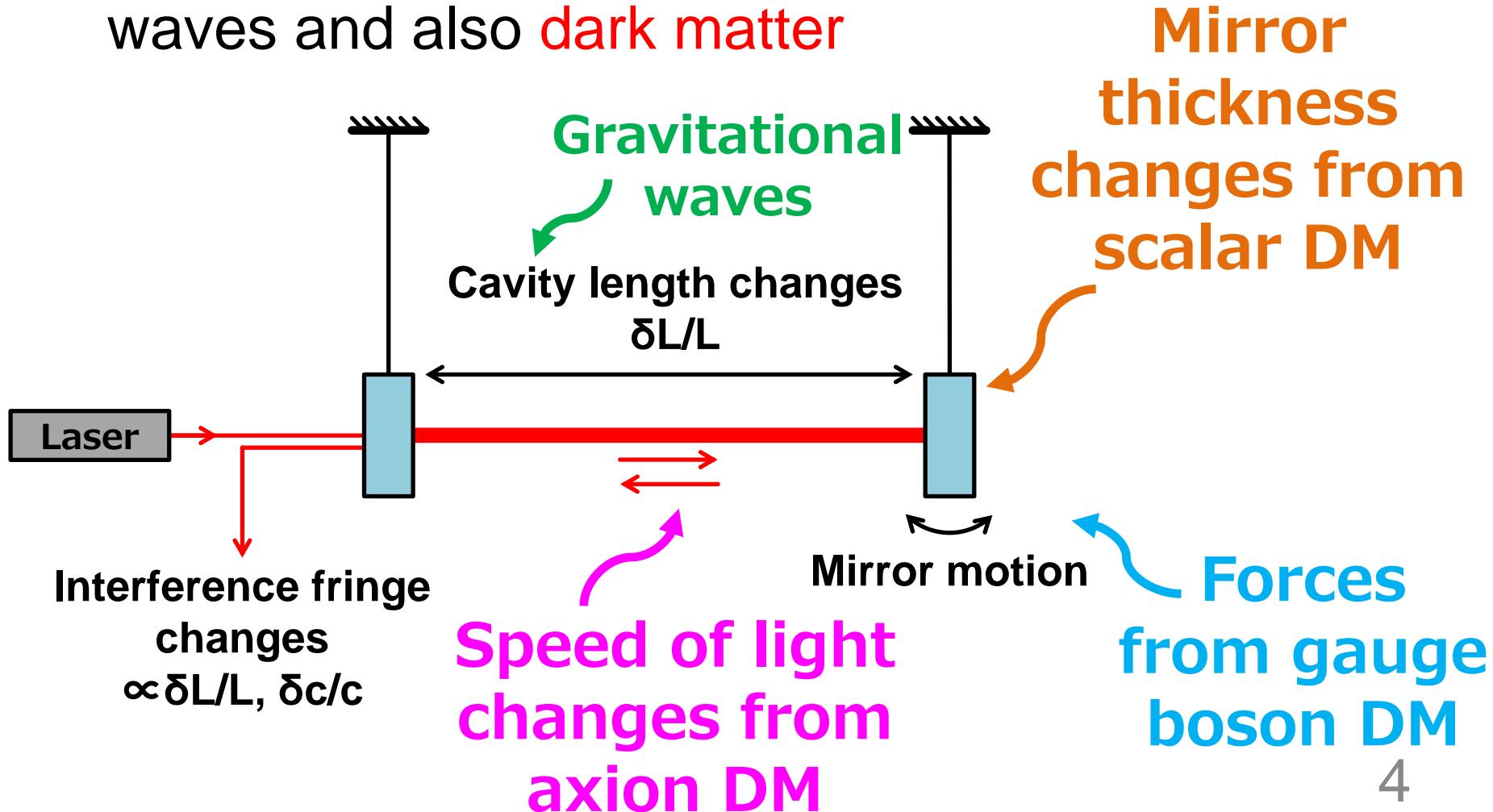


Laser Interferometry



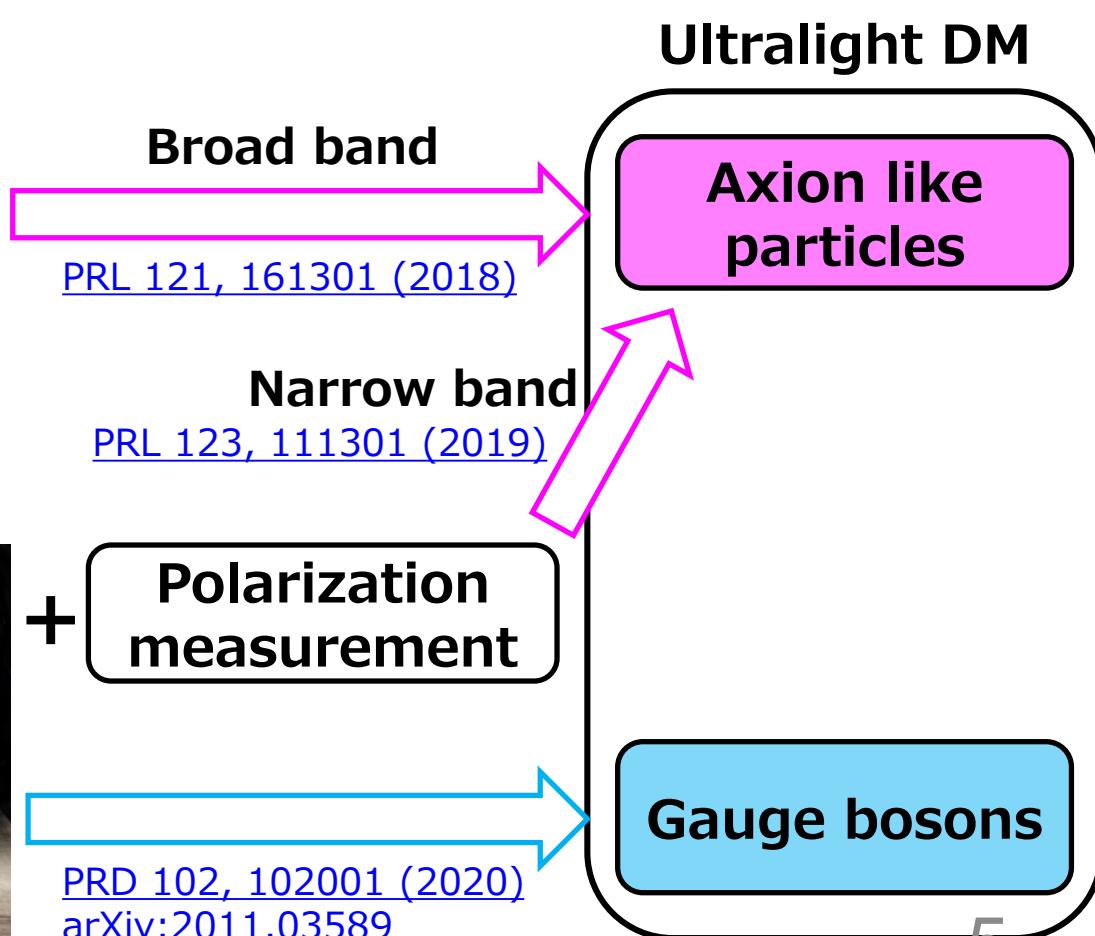
# Laser Interferometry for DM Search

- Laser interferometers and optical cavities are sensitive to tiny **oscillations** from gravitational waves and also **dark matter**



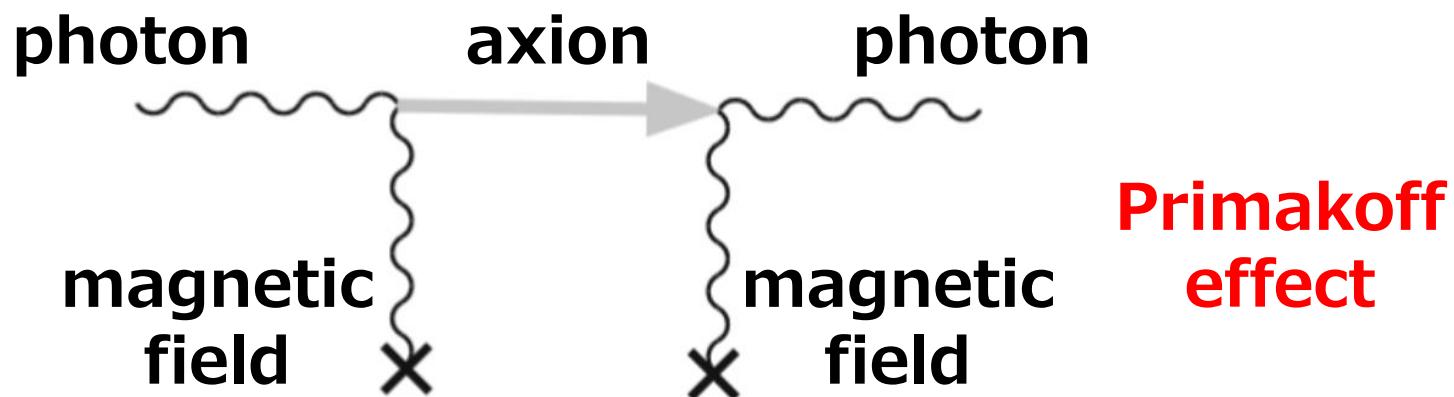
# Our Strategy

- Use both **table-top** optical cavities and **large-scale** laser interferometric gravitational wave detectors



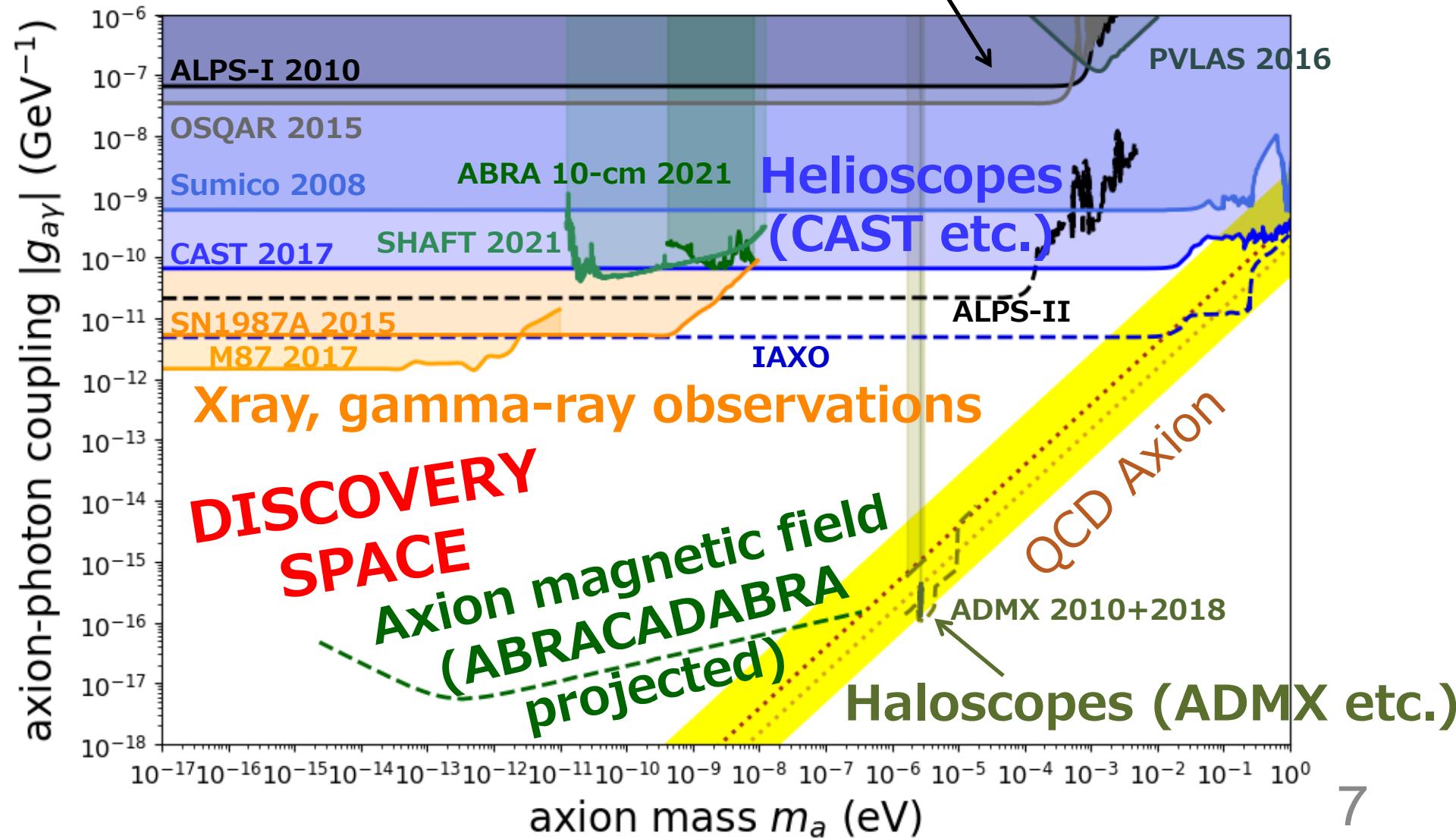
# Axion and Axion-Like Particles

- Pseudo-scalar particle originally introduced to solve **strong CP problem** (QCD axion)
- Various axion-like particles (ALPs) predicted by string theory and supergravity
- Many experiments to search for ALPs through **axion-photon coupling**  
Especially by using **magnetic fields**



# Previous Searches

## Light Shining through Wall (ALPS etc.)



# Polarization Modulation from Axions

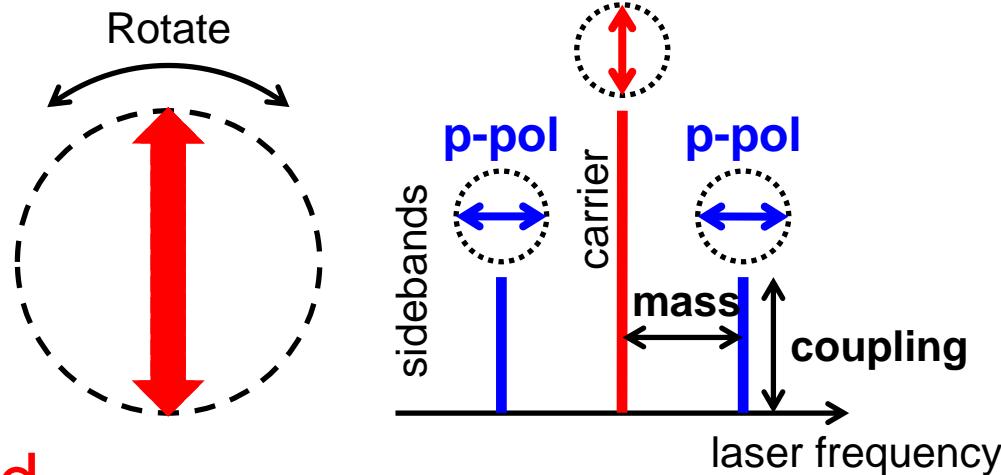
- Axion-photon coupling ( $\frac{g_{a\gamma}}{4} a F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$ ) gives **different phase velocity** between left-handed and right-handed circular polarizations

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

coupling constant    axion field    axion mass  
s-pol

- Linear polarization will be modulated

p-pol sidebands will be generated from s-pol
  - Search can be done without magnetic field



# Optical Cavity to Amplify the Signal

- Polarization rotation is small for short optical path

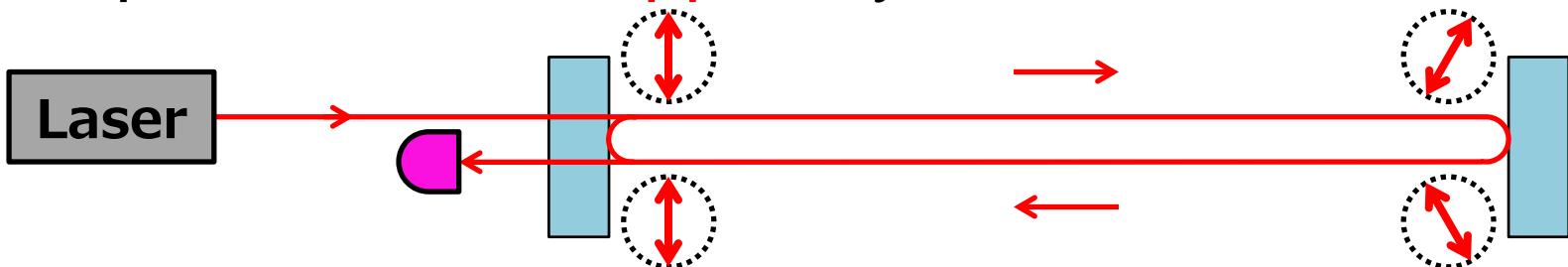


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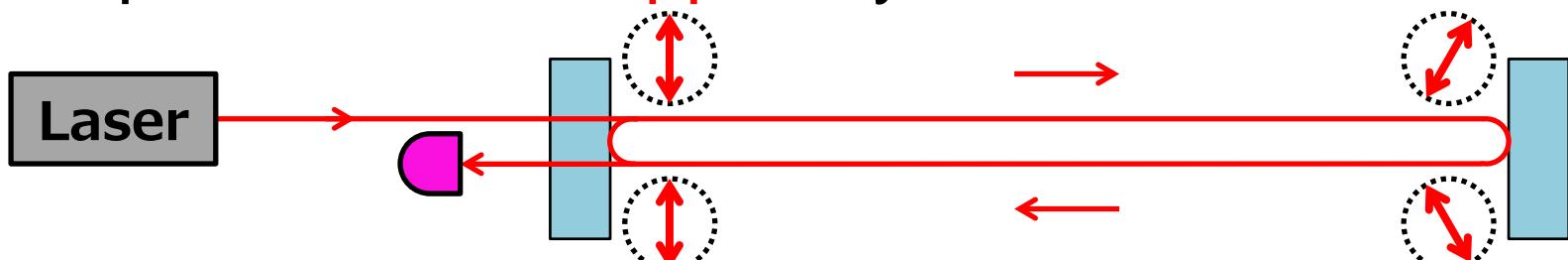


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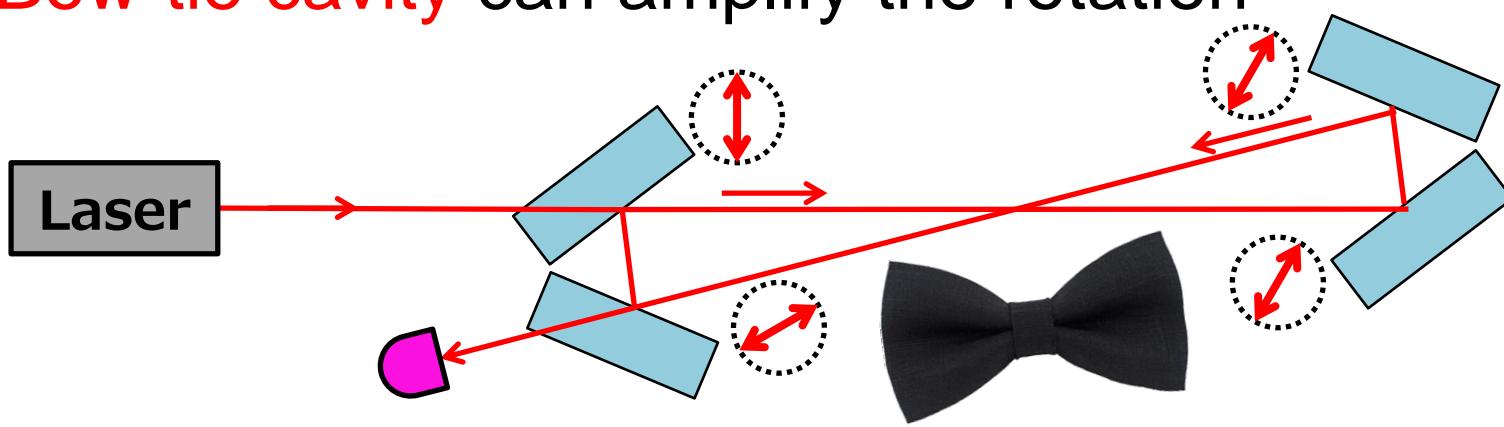
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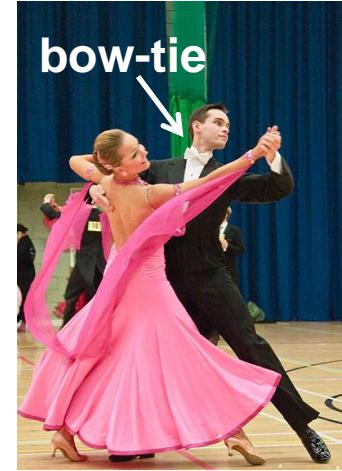
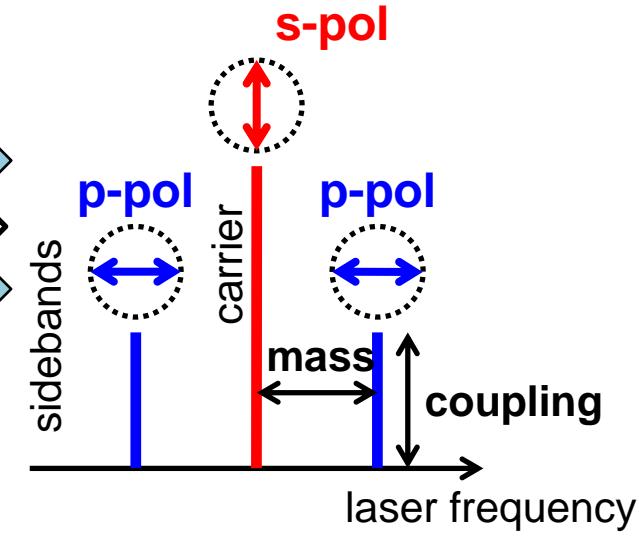
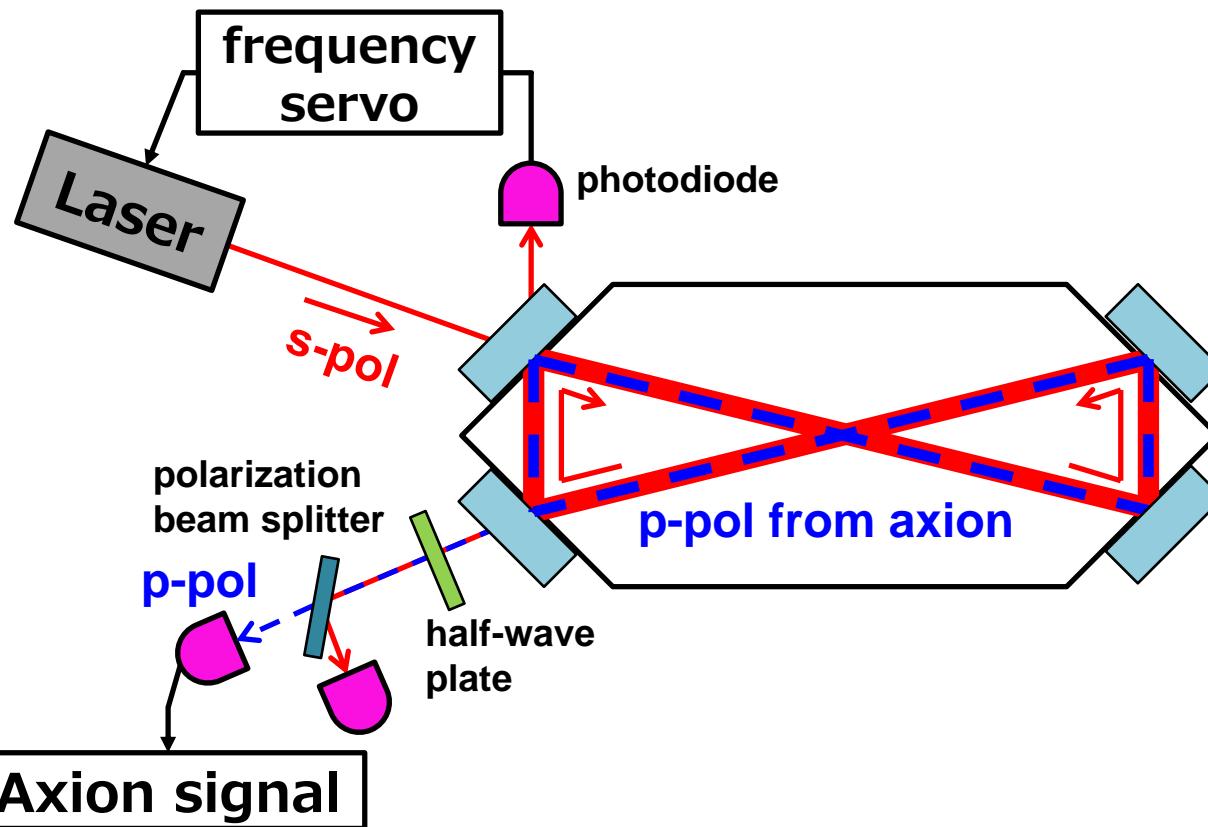
- Bow-tie cavity can amplify the rotation



# DANCE Setup

## Dark matter Axion search with riNg Cavity Experiment

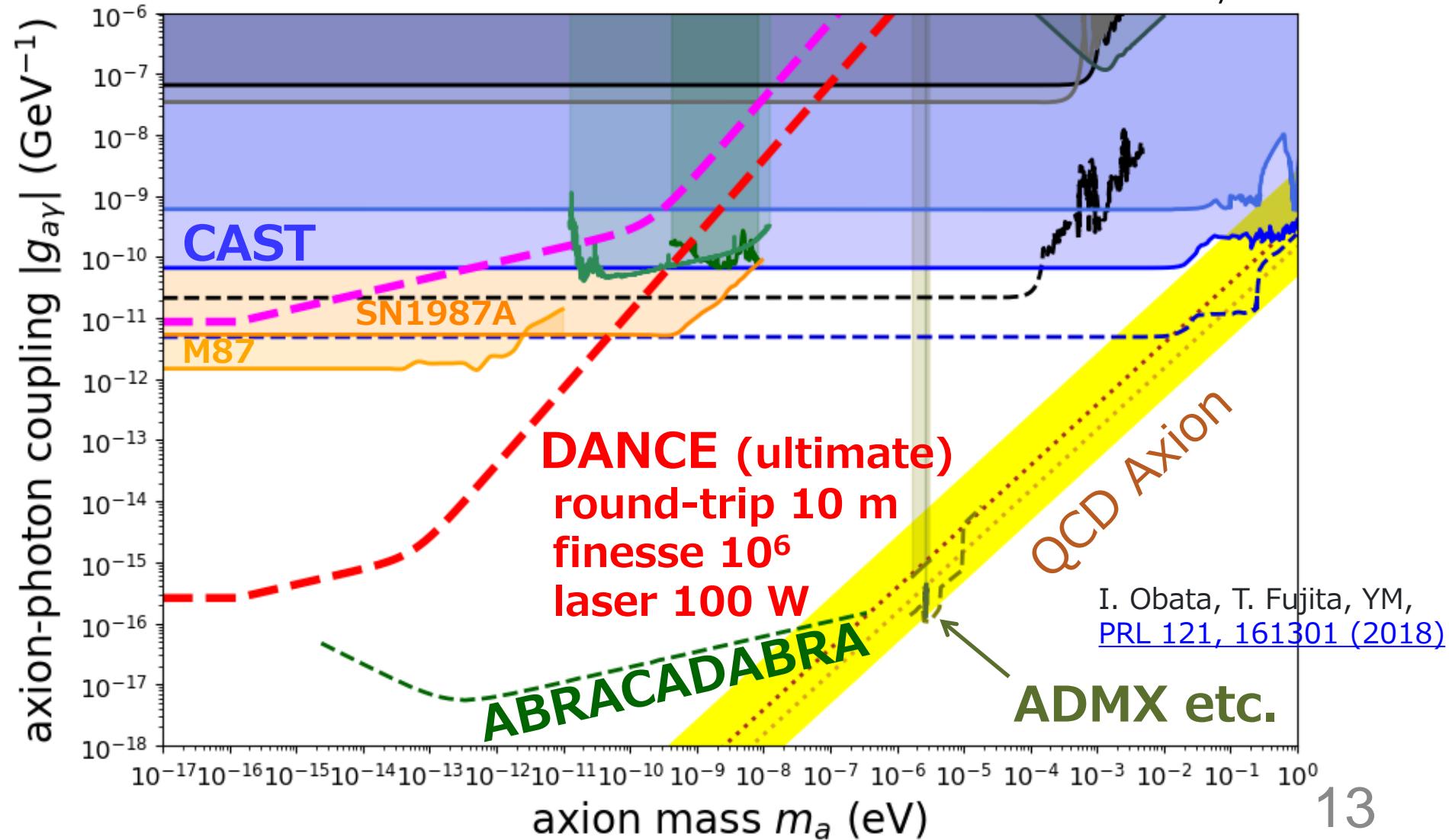
- Look for amount of **modulated** p-pol generation in each frequency



# Sensitivity of DANCE

- Sensitivity better than CAST limit

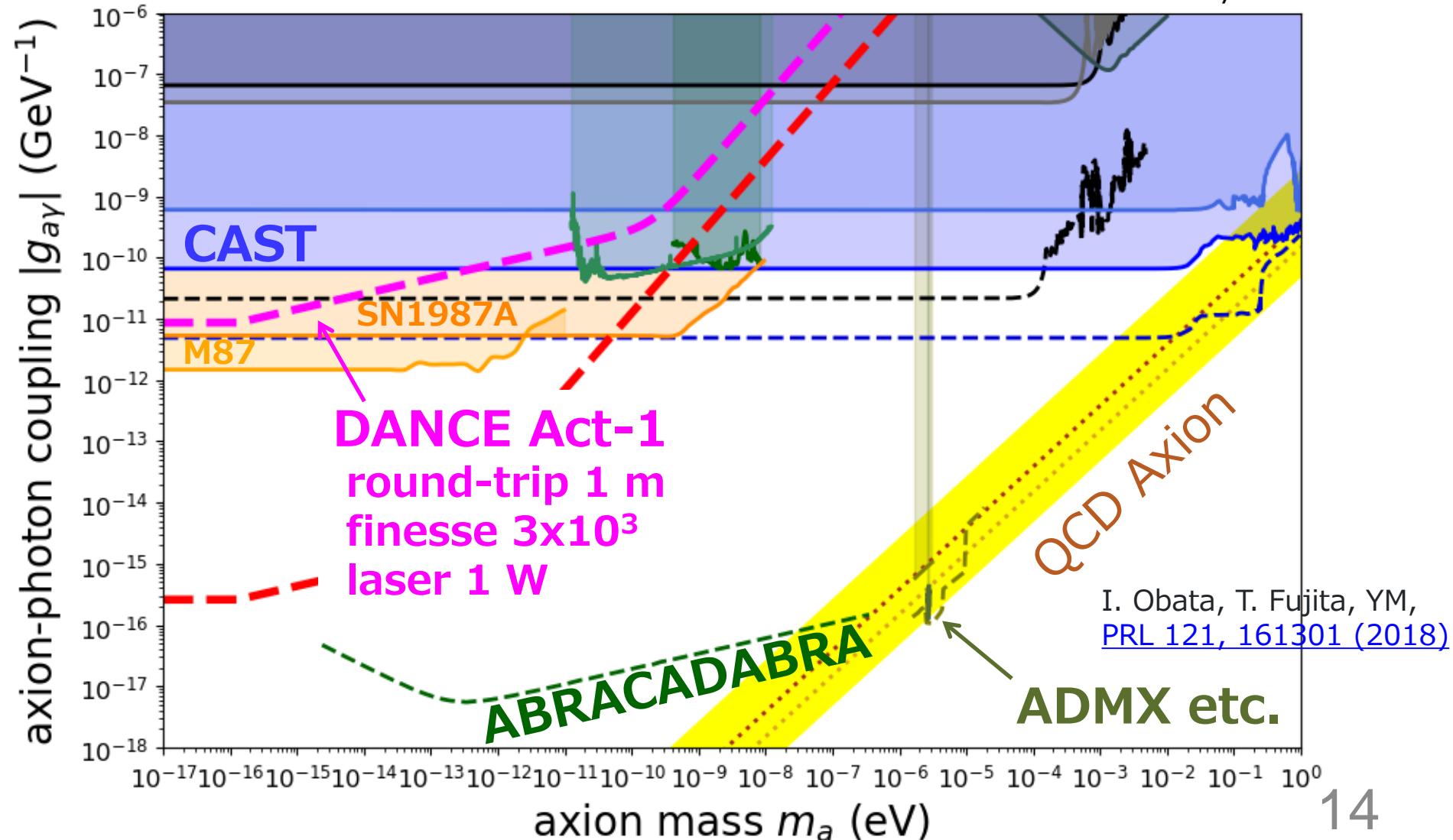
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1 year observation



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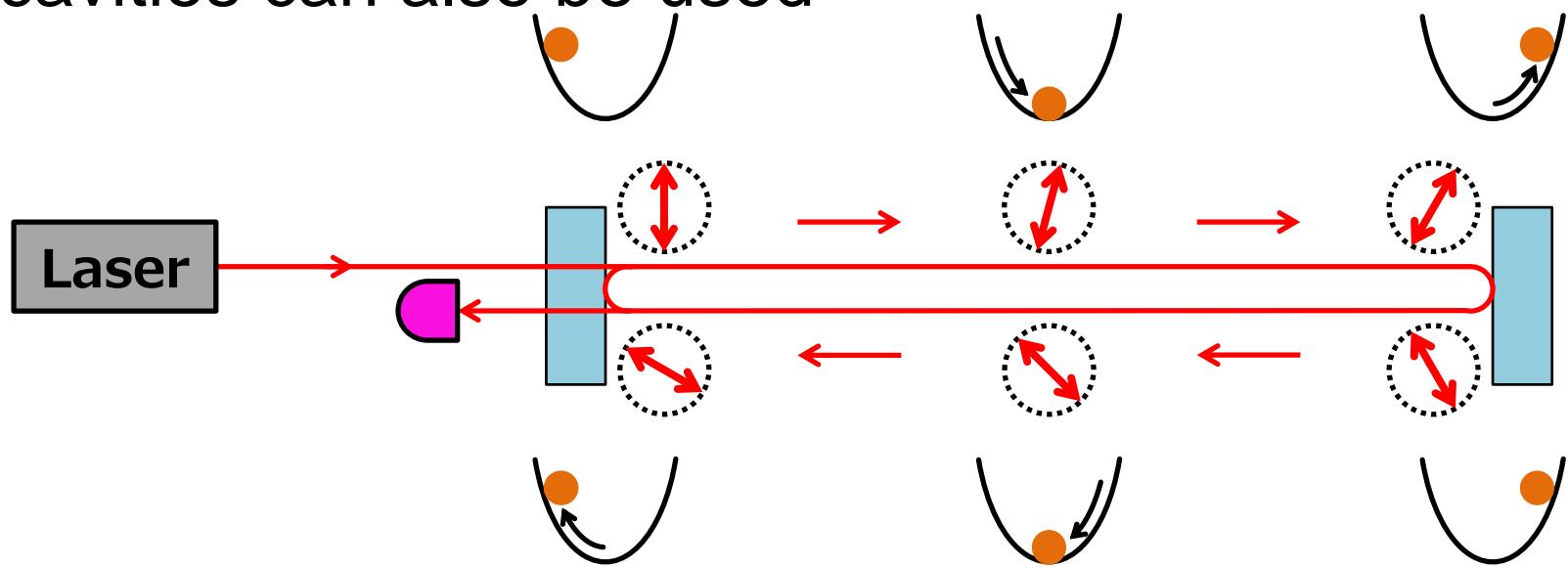
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# Linear Cavities for Axion Search

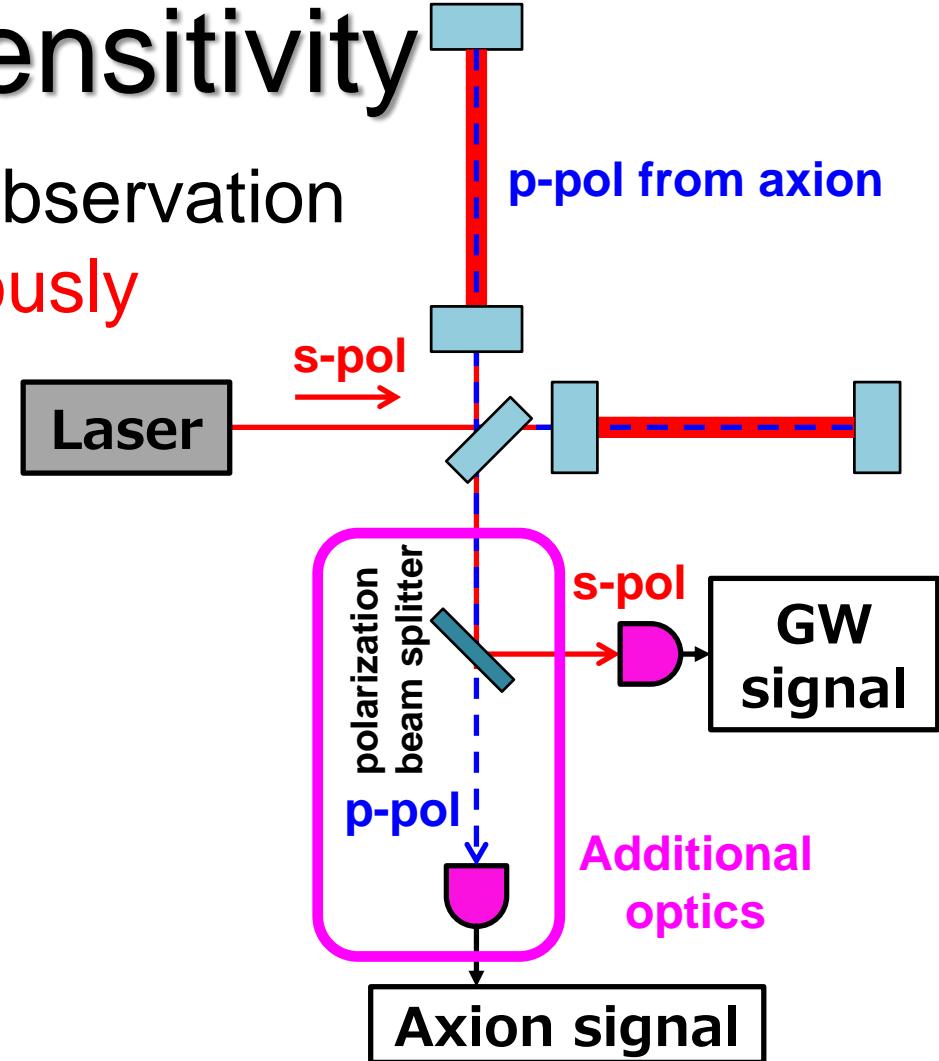
- When finite light traveling time is considered, linear cavities can also be used



- Can be sensitive when the **round-trip time** equals odd-multiples of **axion oscillation period**
- Long baseline linear cavities in **gravitational wave detectors** are suitable

# KAGRA Axion Sensitivity

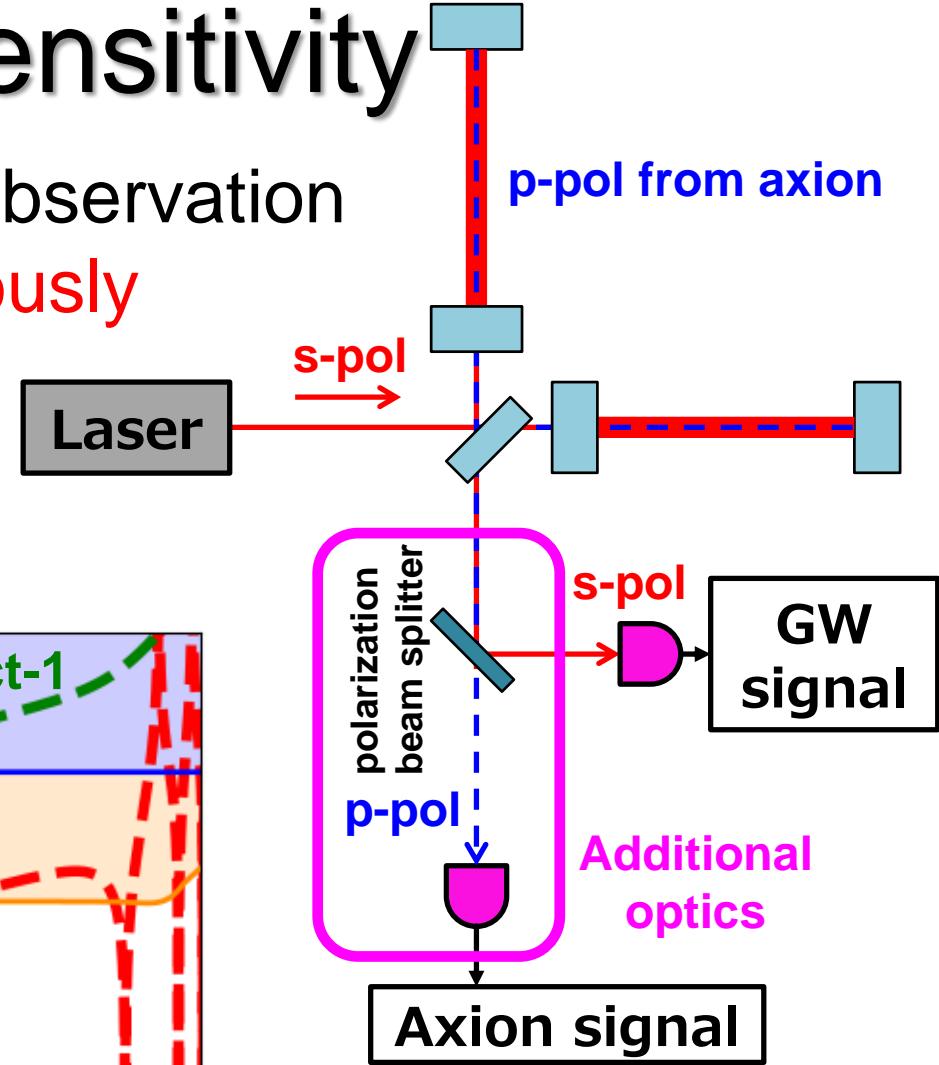
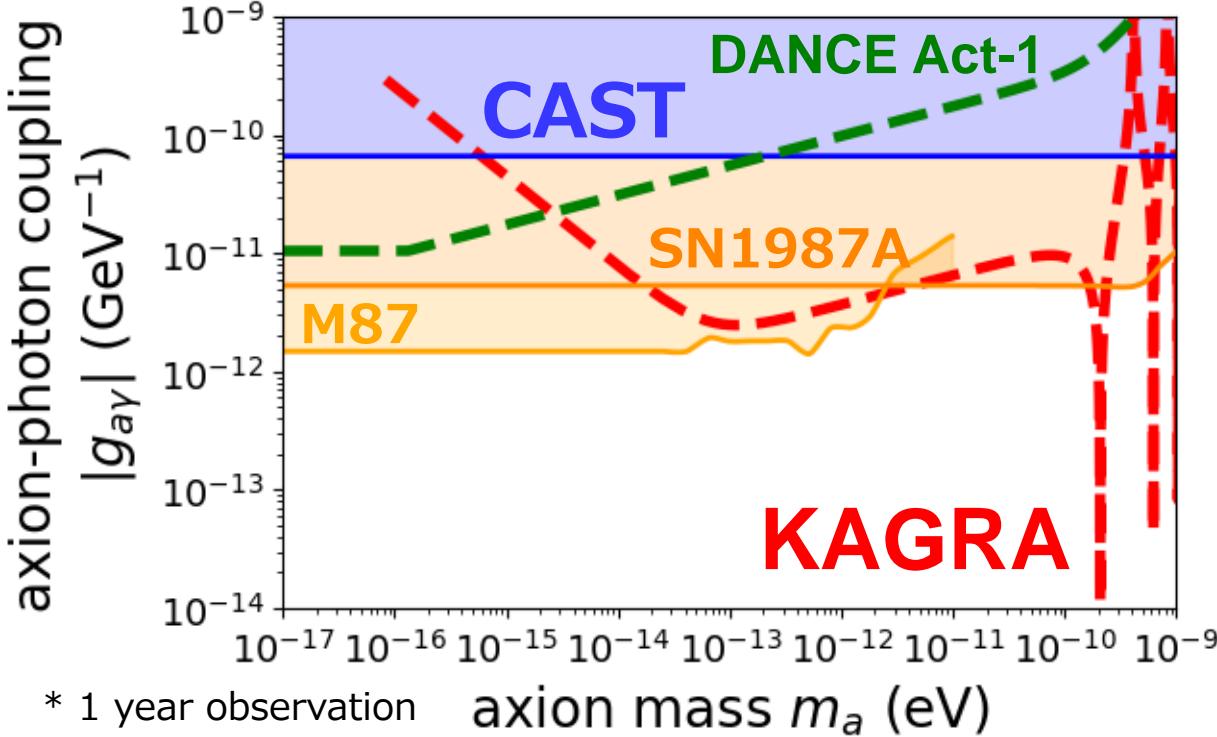
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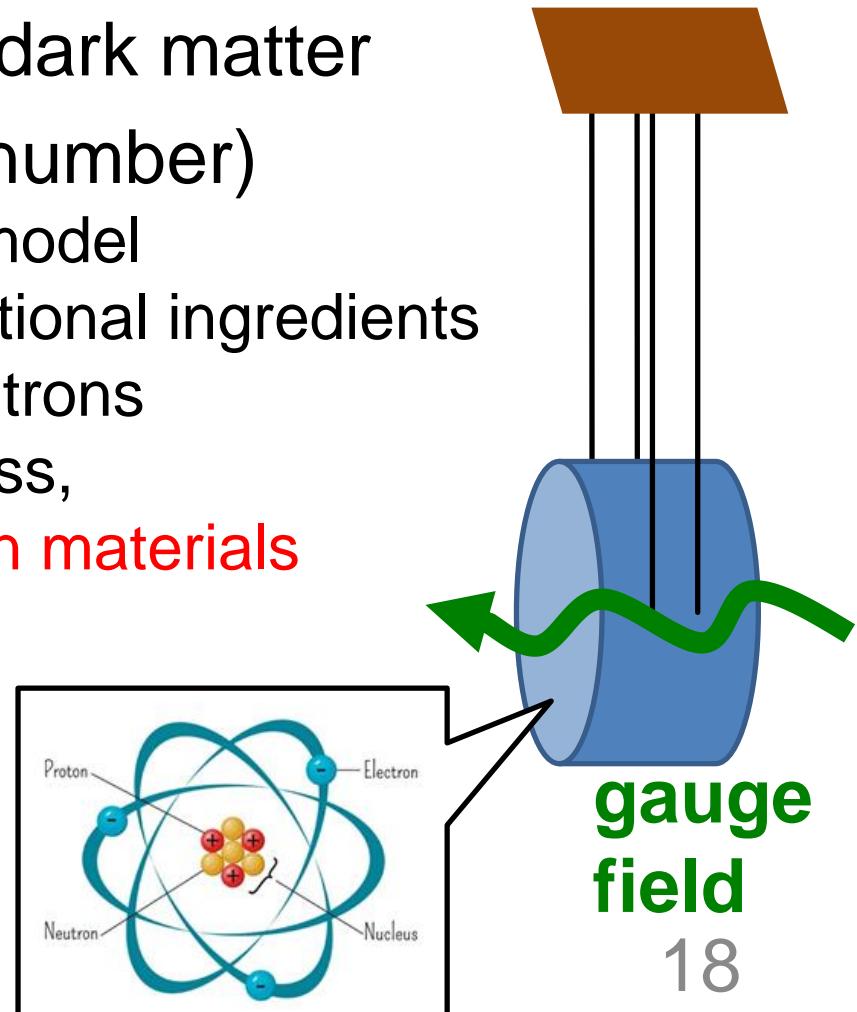
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- KAGRA and DANCE are **complementary**



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# Gauge Bosons

- Possible new physics beyond the standard model:  
New gauge symmetry and gauge boson
- New gauge boson can be dark matter
- **B-L** (baryon minus lepton number)
  - Conserved in the standard model
  - Can be gauged without additional ingredients
  - Equals to the number of neutrons
  - Roughly 0.5 per neutron mass,  
but slightly **different between materials**  
Fused silica: 0.501  
Sapphire: 0.510
- Gauge boson DM gives **oscillating force**



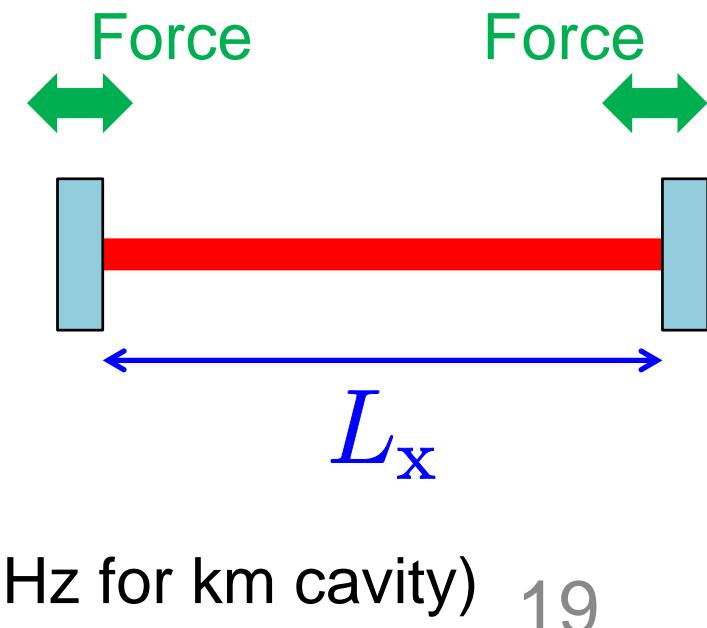
# Oscillating Force from Gauge Field

- Acceleration of mirrors

$$\vec{a}(t, \vec{x}) = \epsilon_D e \frac{q_D}{M} \sqrt{2\rho_{DM}} \vec{e}_A \sin(m_A t - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x})$$

charge  
coupling (normalized by e)  
mirror mass  
DM density  
polarization  
gauge boson mass  
different phase at different position

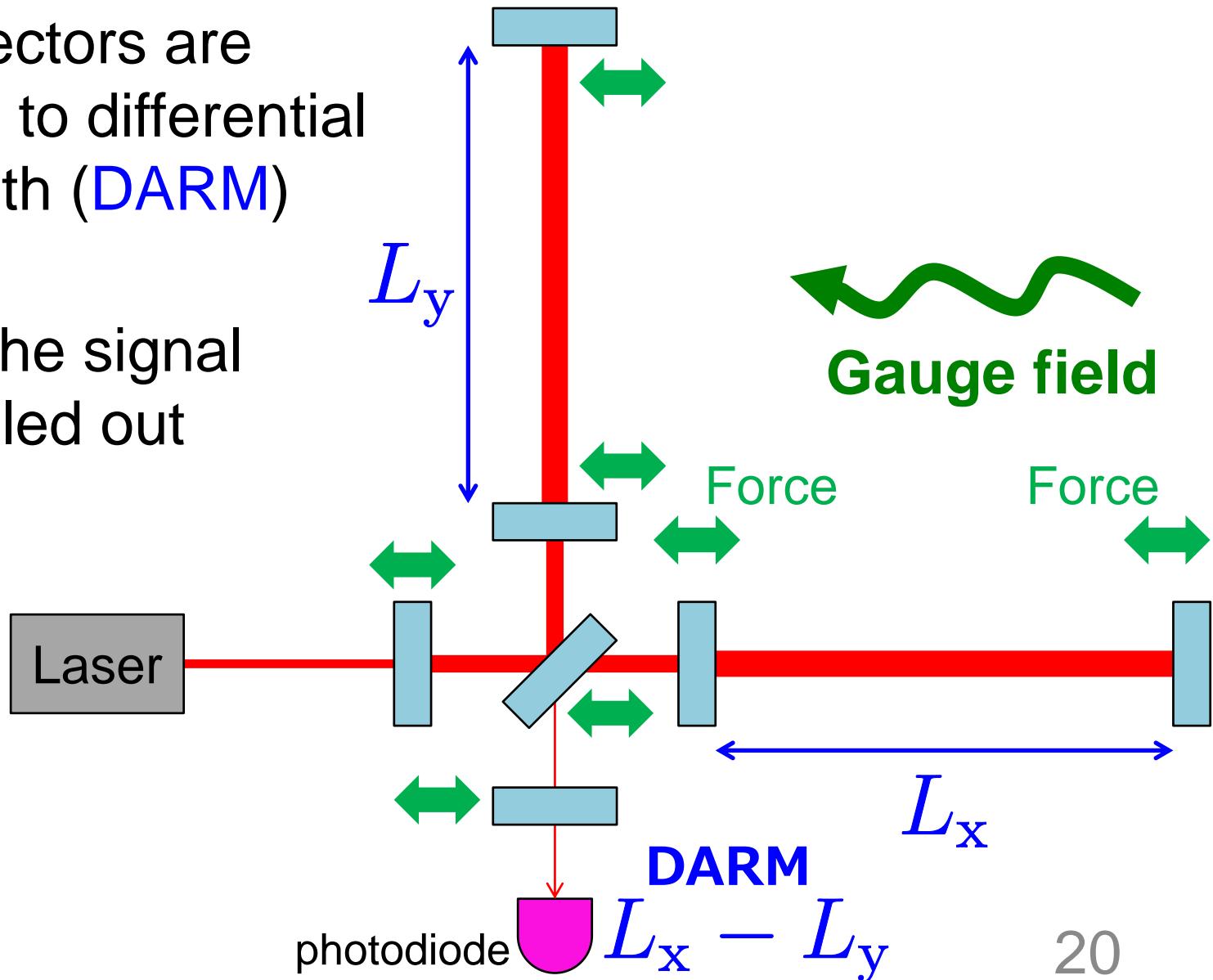
- Gauge boson mass and coupling can be measured by measuring the **oscillating** mirror displacement



- Almost no signal for symmetric cavity if cavity length is short  
(phase difference is  $10^{-5}$  rad @ 100 Hz for km cavity)

# Search with GW Detectors

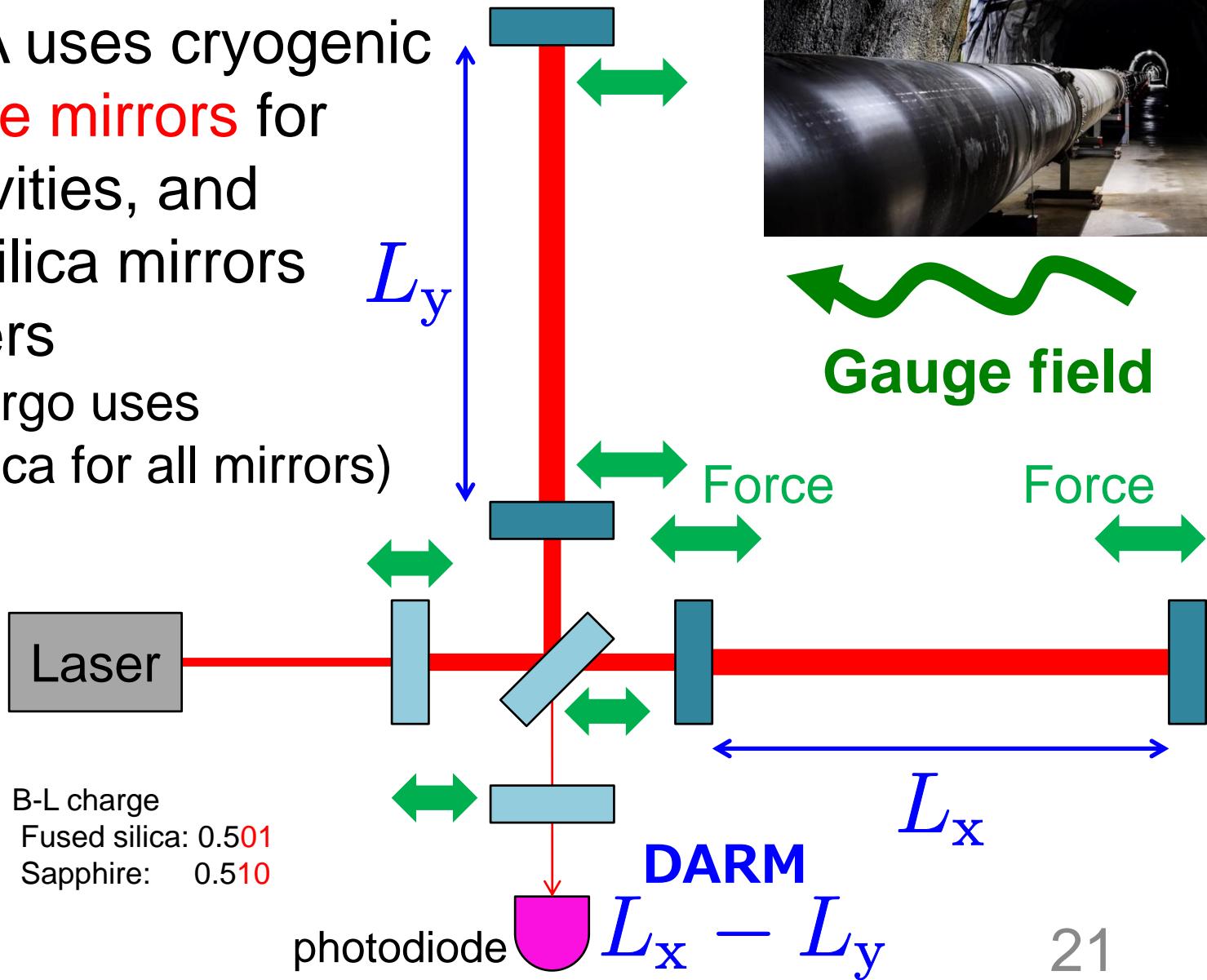
- GW Detectors are sensitive to differential arm length (**DARM**) change
- Most of the signal is cancelled out



# Search with KAGRA



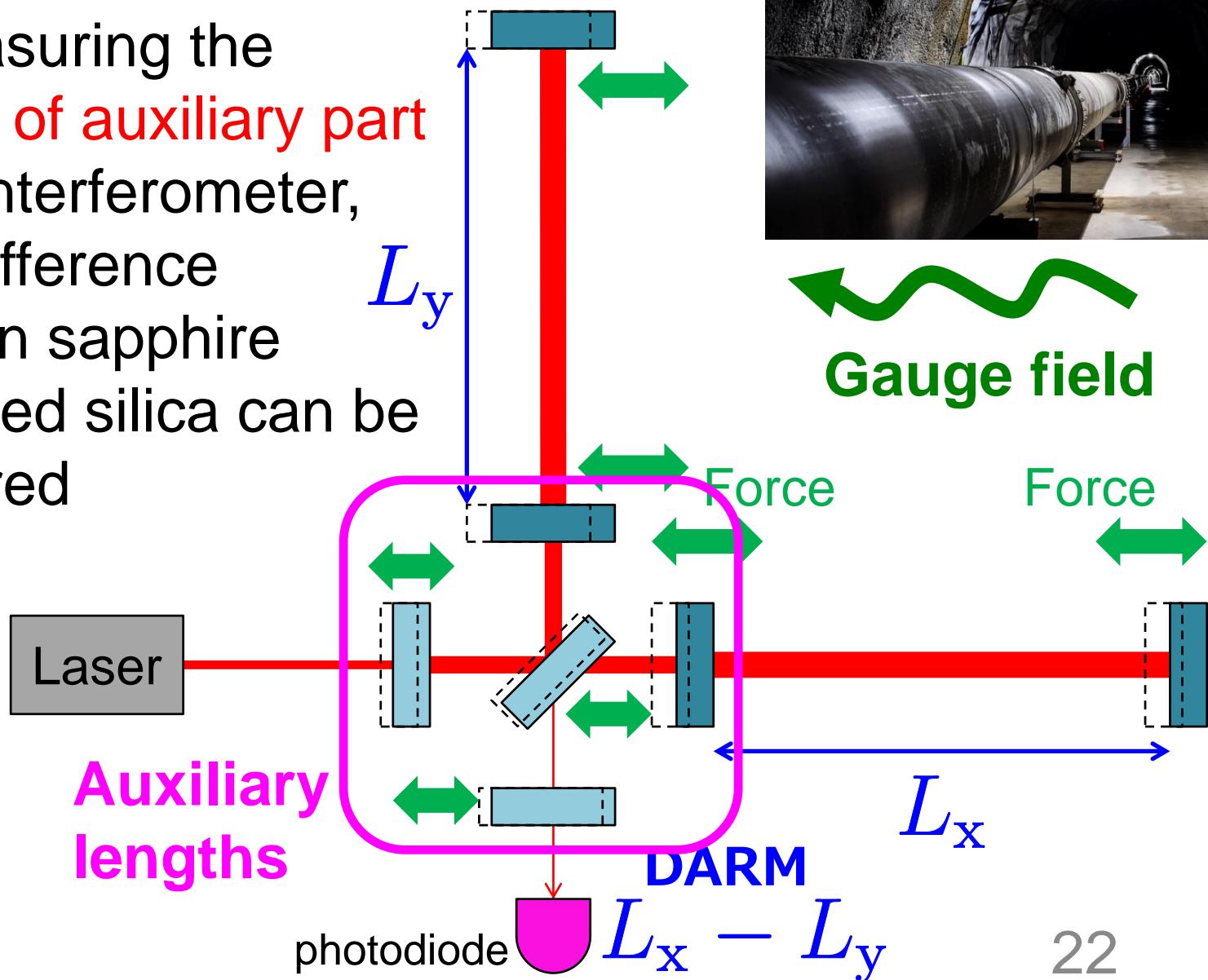
- KAGRA uses cryogenic **sapphire mirrors** for arm cavities, and fused silica mirrors for others  
(LIGO/Virgo uses fused silica for all mirrors)



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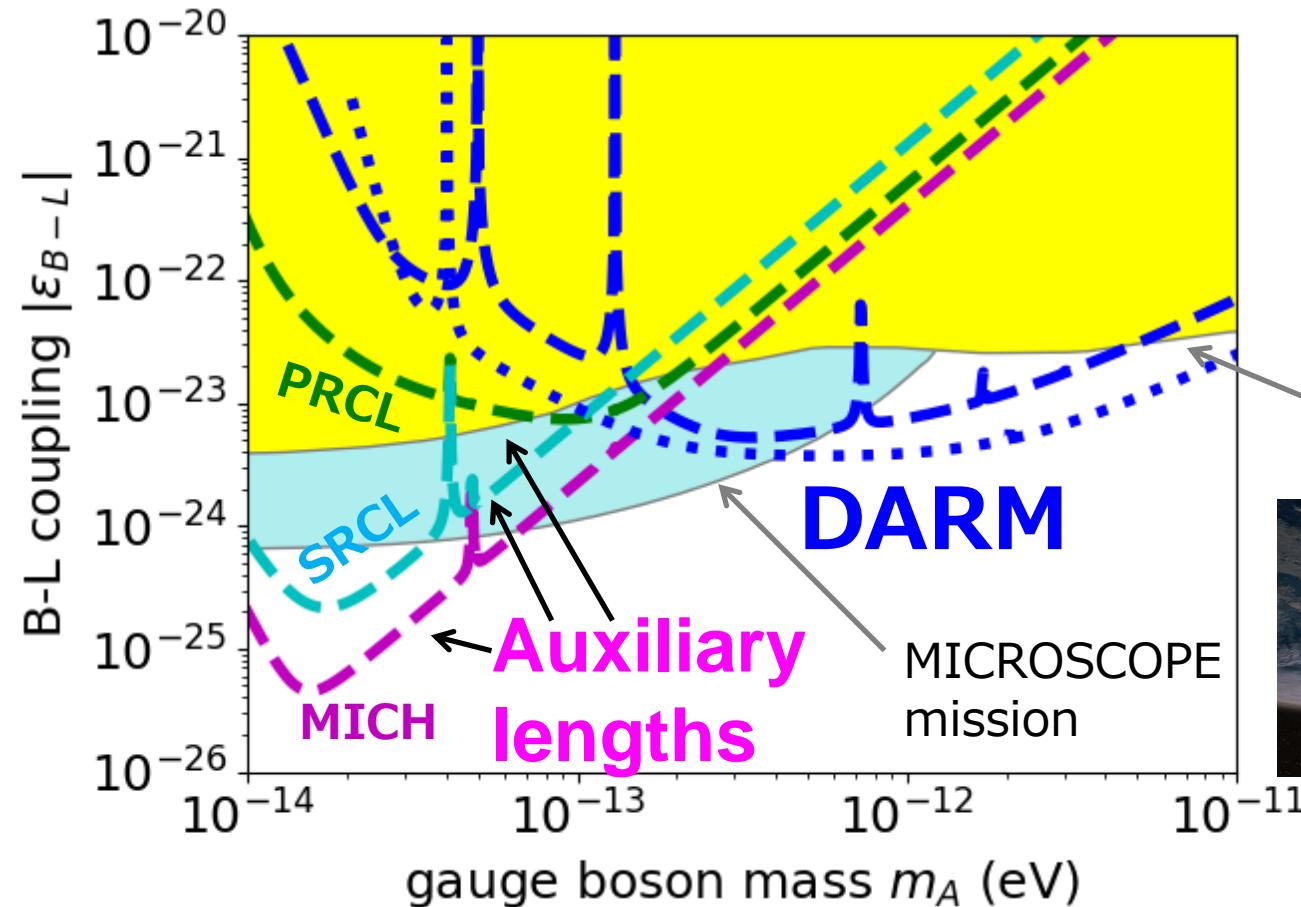


- By measuring the **lengths of auxiliary part** of the interferometer, force difference between sapphire and fused silica can be measured



# KAGRA Gauge Boson Sensitivity

- Auxiliary length channels have better sensitivity than DARM at low mass range
- Sensitivity **better than equivalence principle tests**



YM, T. Fujita, S. Morisaki,  
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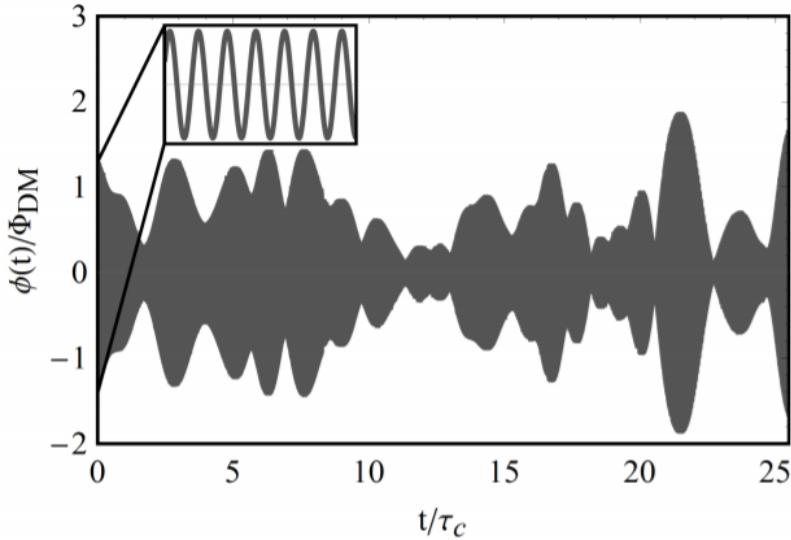
Eöt-Wash  
torsion pendulum



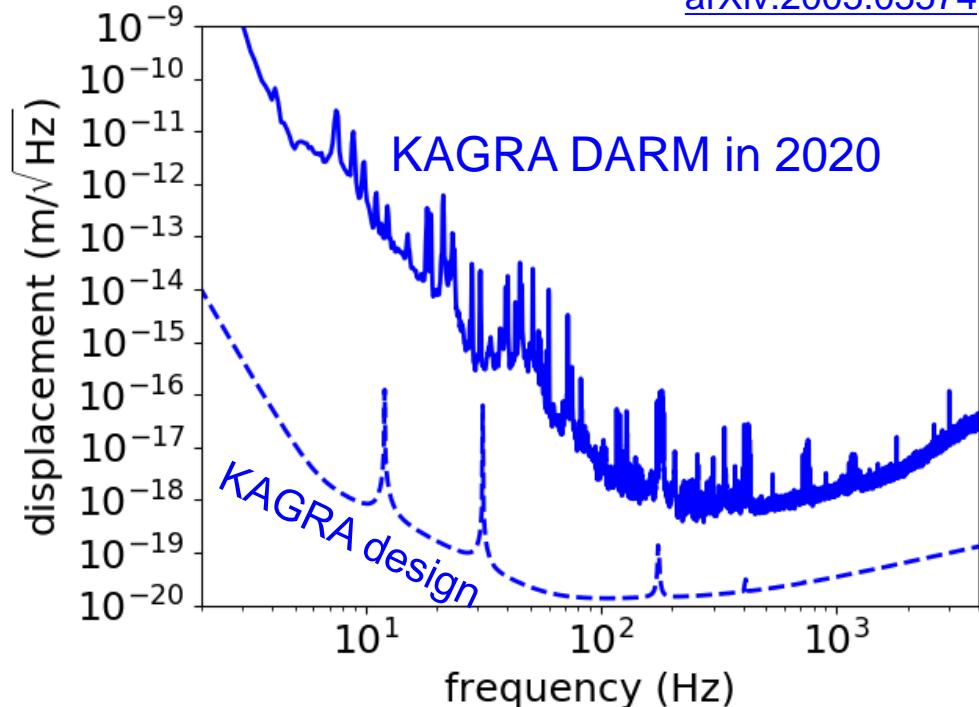
# Recent Progresses: KAGRA

- First (gravitational-wave) observing run in Feb-Apr 2020
- Ultralight DM **data analysis pipeline developed**
- Found many peaks above threshold
  - Developing **veto** procedure to remove detector artifacts
- Statistical studies on **stochastic fluctuation**

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



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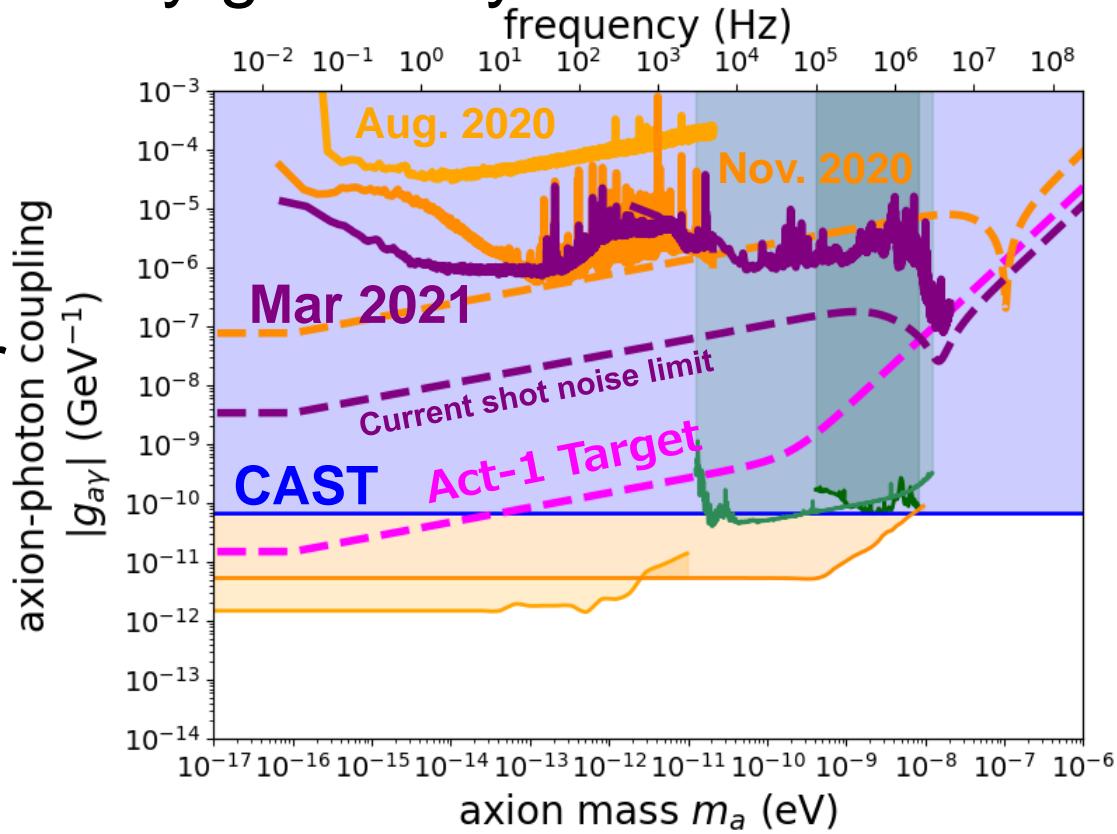
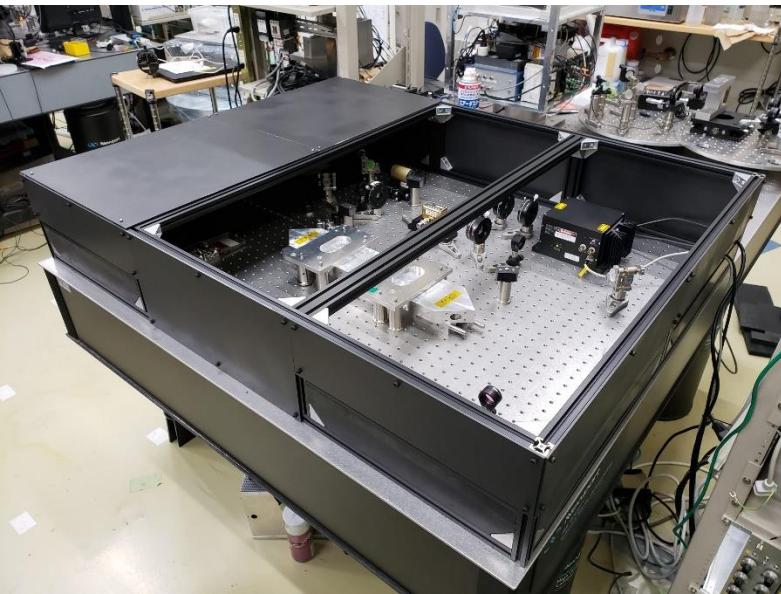
# Recent Progresses: DANCE

- Successfully demonstrated the operation in 2020
- Recent upgrades
  - Shielding for reducing external disturbances
  - Increasing the finesse and input laser power

|   | Nov. 2020   | Now                               | Act-1 Target      |
|---|---|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Round-trip length                                   | 1 m   | 1 m                               | 1 m               |
| Input laser power                                   | ~40 mW  | 274(1) mW                         | 1 W               |
| Output laser power                                  | ~1.2 mW   | 158(1) mW                         | 1 W               |
| Finesse for carrier                                 | 525(19)<br>p-pol  | 2.80(34)×10 <sup>3</sup><br>s-pol | 3×10 <sup>3</sup> |
| Finesse for sidebands                               | ~300<br>s-pol   | 193(10)<br>p-pol                  | 3×10 <sup>3</sup> |
| Resonant frequency difference between polarizations | ~28 MHz   | 3.92(16) MHz                      | 0 Hz              |
|   | From non-zero phase shift difference in cavity mirror reflections |                                   | 25                |

# Recent Progresses: DANCE

- Improving the sensitivity gradually
- Stable lock lasted ~60 hours
- First test run expected this year



**Estimated reach if we observe for 1 year with current noise level**  
(Degraded sensitivity at low frequencies due to resonant frequency difference between polarizations)

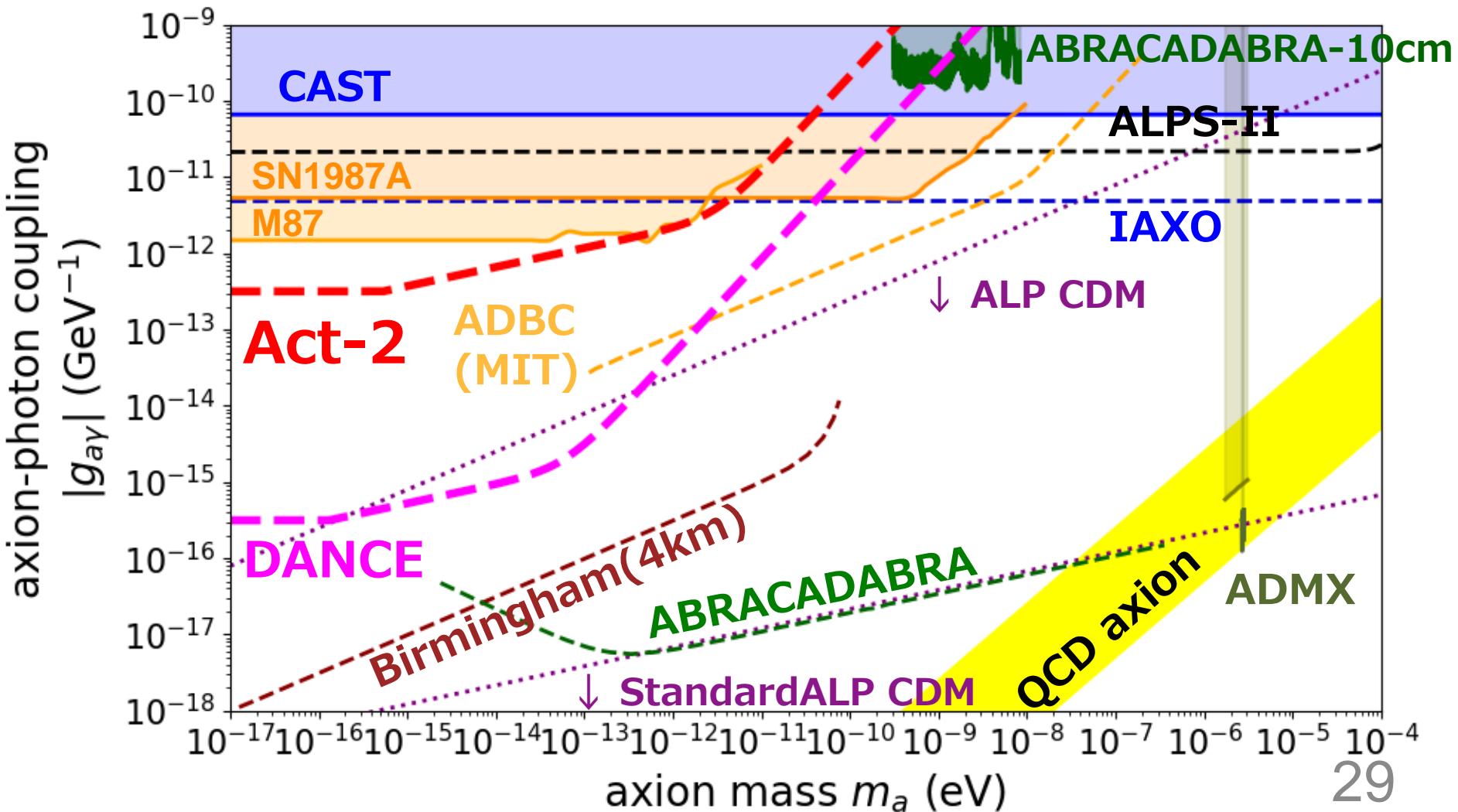
# Summary and Outlook

- Laser interferometers open up **new possibilities** for dark matter search
- We have recently started a table-top experiment and analysis of KAGRA data
  - DANCE for broad band axion
  - KAGRA +polarimetry for narrow band axion
  - KAGRA for gauge boson
- Expecting **first results** this year
- We are also interested in scalar DM search
- We look forward to further discussions and collaboration!

# Additional Slides

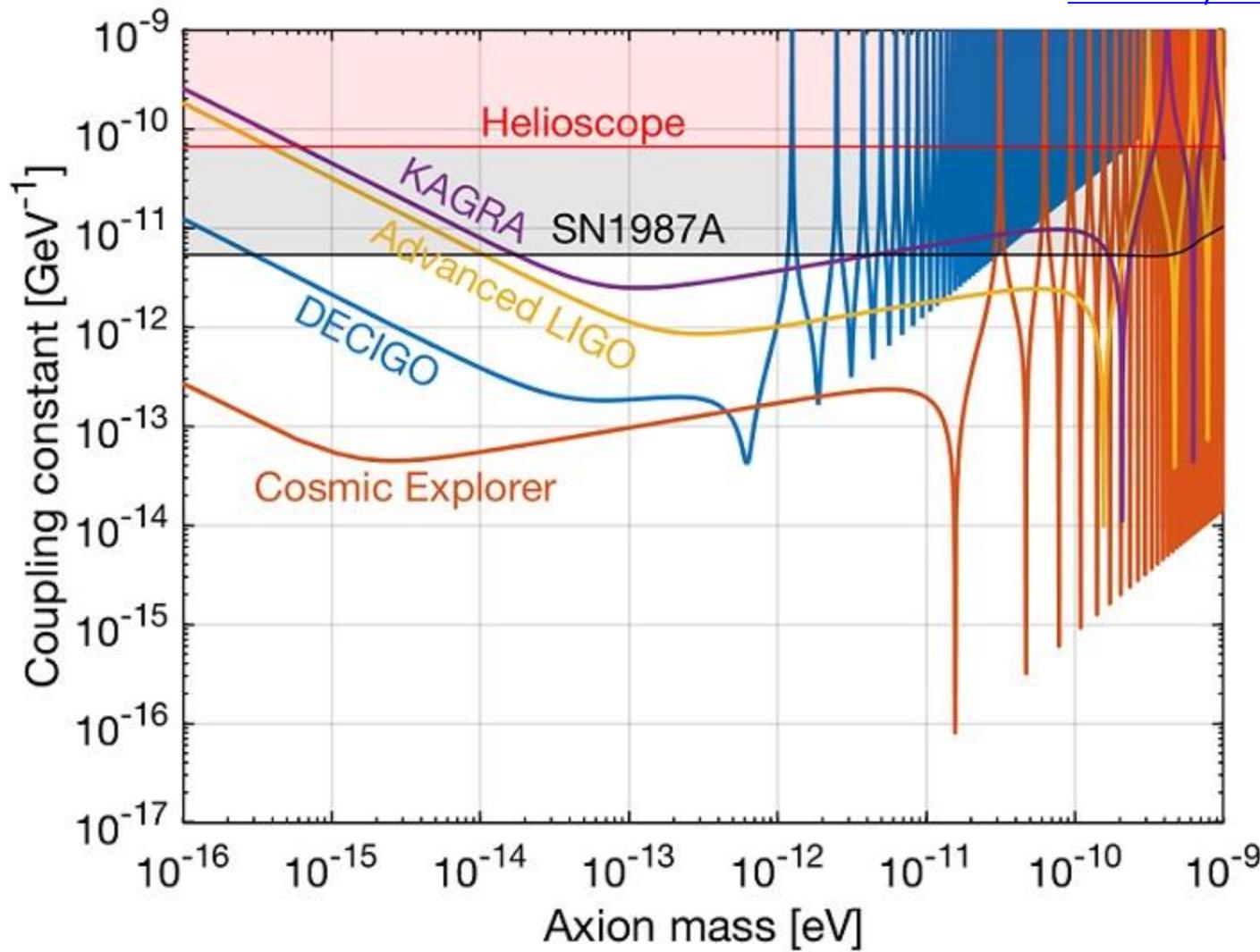
# Comparison with Other Groups

Purple dotted lines from  
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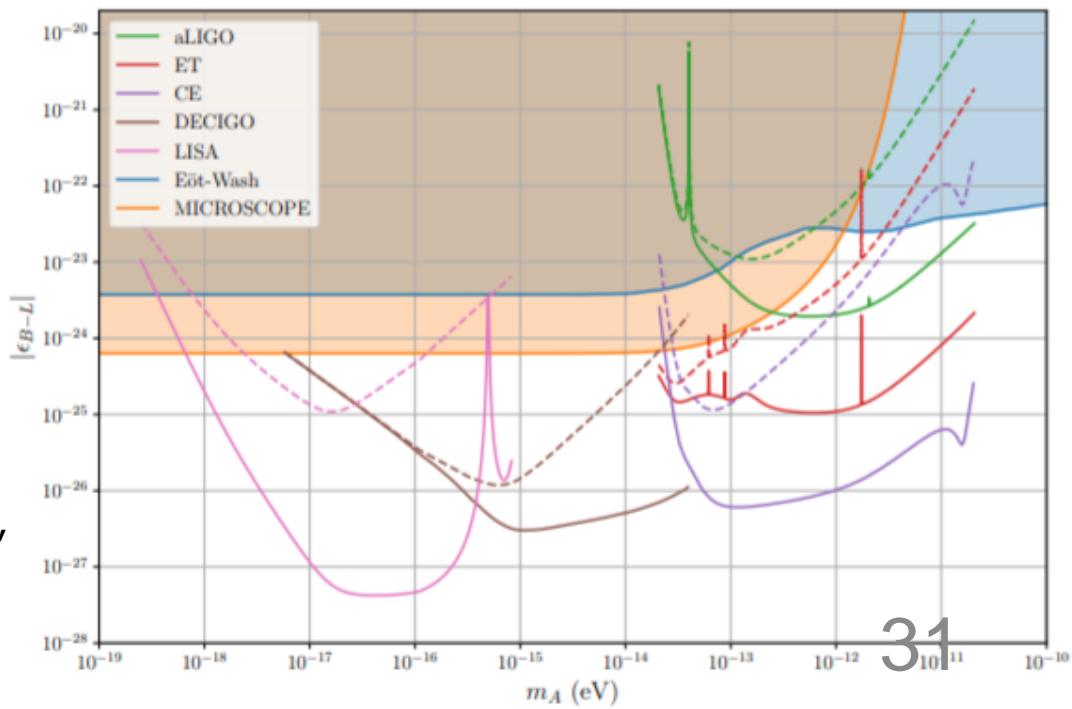
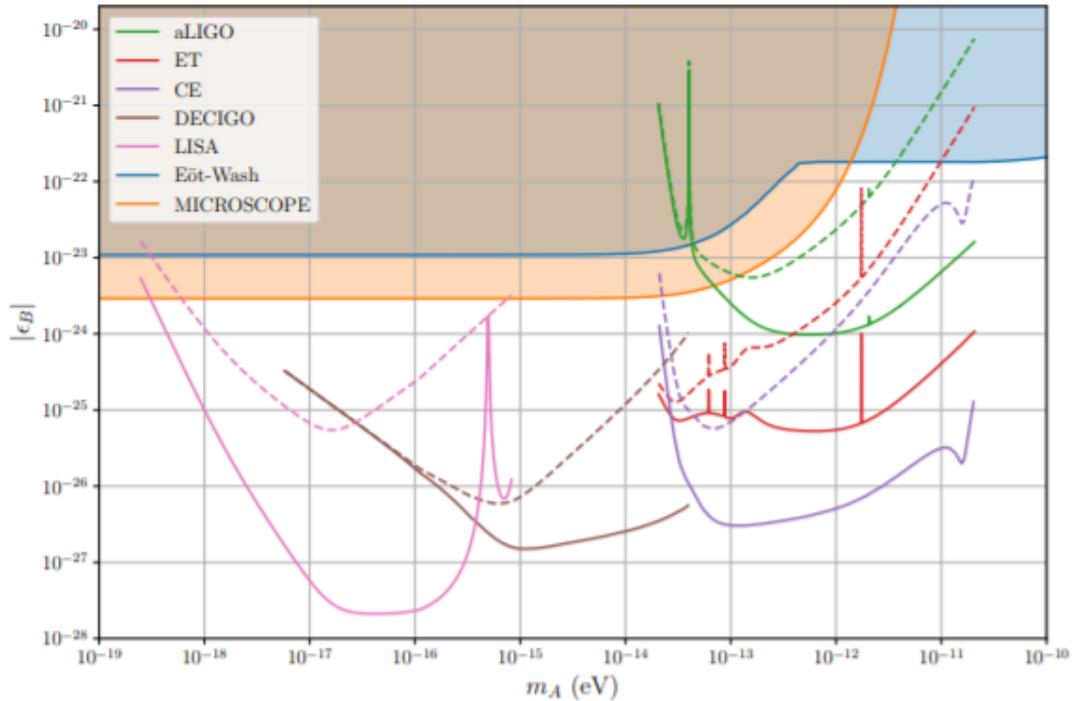


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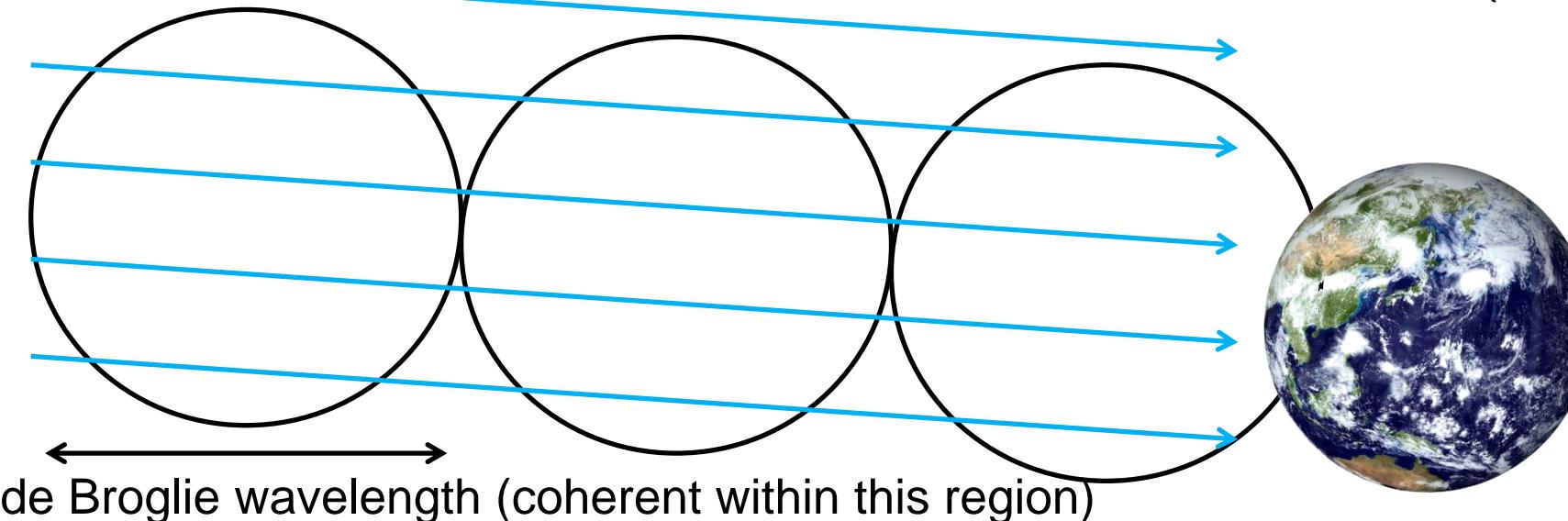
# Coherence Time

- SNR grows with  $\sqrt{T_{\text{obs}}}$  if integration time is shorter than coherence time
- SNR grows with  $(T_{\text{obs}})^{1/4}$  if integration time is longer

$$\text{SNR} = \begin{cases} \frac{\sqrt{T_{\text{obs}}}}{2\sqrt{S_{\text{noise}}(f)}} \frac{\delta c}{c} & (T_{\text{obs}} \lesssim \tau) \\ \frac{(T_{\text{obs}}\tau)^{1/4}}{2\sqrt{S_{\text{noise}}(f)}} \frac{\delta c}{c} & (T_{\text{obs}} \gtrsim \tau) \end{cases}$$

$$\tau \simeq 1 \text{ year} \left( \frac{10^{-16} \text{ eV}}{m_a} \right)$$

axion wind



# Freq-Mass-Coherence Time

| Frequency | Mass       | Coherent Time      | Coherent Length |
|-----------|------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| 0.1 Hz    | 4.1e-16 eV | 0.32 year          | 3e12 m          |
| 1 Hz      | 4.1e-15 eV | 1e6 sec<br>12 days | 3e11 m          |
| 10 Hz     | 4.1e-14 eV | 1.2 days           | 3e10 m          |
| 100 Hz    | 4.1e-13 eV | 2.8 hours          | 3e9 m           |
| 1000 Hz   | 4.1e-12 eV | 17 minutes         | 3e8 m           |
| 10000 Hz  | 4.1e-11 eV | 1.7 minutes        | 3e7 m           |