

axion, magnetic monopole and detection of new axion couplings

Li, Tong 李佟

Nankai University

Based on JHEP 03 (2023) 088

in collaboration with Rui-Jia Zhang and Chang-Jie Dai

TOPAC 2023, TDLI, 2023.6.2

Outline

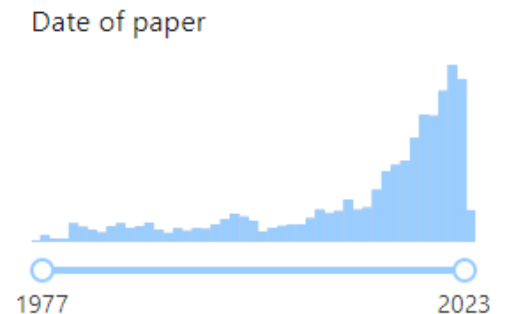
- Axion and magnetic monopole
- Quantum electrodynamics (QED) and QED-axion modified Maxwell equations
- Solutions and numerical results
- Experimental setup and sensitivity to sub- μeV axion couplings
- Summary

1. Axion and magnetic monopole

- The existence of magnetic monopole $\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{S} = 0$?
- In 1931, [Dirac](#) first proposed the notion of ‘monopole’ in quantum theory
Charge quantization condition: $e \cdot q = 2\pi n \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$
- Various proposed monopoles:
Georgi-Glashow (['t Hooft, Polyakov 1974](#)), QCD ([Wu, Yang 1975](#)), GUT ([Dokos, Tomaras 1980](#)),
electroweak ([Cho, Maison 1997](#))

- Axion ([1970s](#))

- strong CP problem $\theta \frac{g_s^2}{32\pi^2} G^{a\mu\nu} \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu} \xrightarrow{\text{nEDM}} \bar{\theta} \lesssim 10^{-10}$
- Peccei-Quinn mechanism: $U(1)_{PQ} \quad \frac{a}{f_a} \frac{g_s^2}{32\pi^2} G\tilde{G} \longrightarrow \bar{\theta} \rightarrow \bar{\theta} + \frac{a}{f_a}$
- candidate of dark matter $m_a \simeq 6 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ eV} \frac{10^{12} \text{ GeV}}{f_a}$

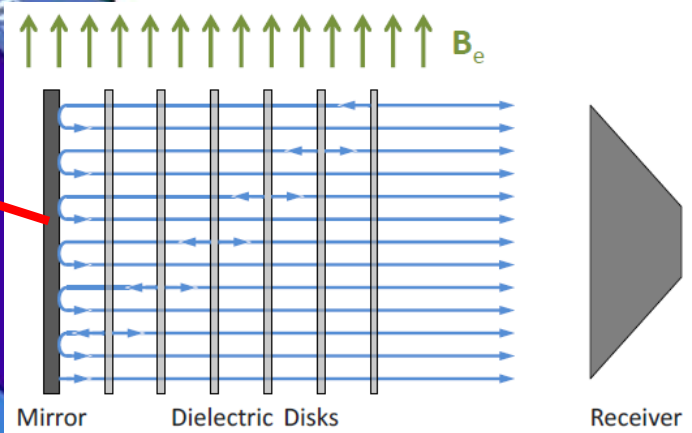
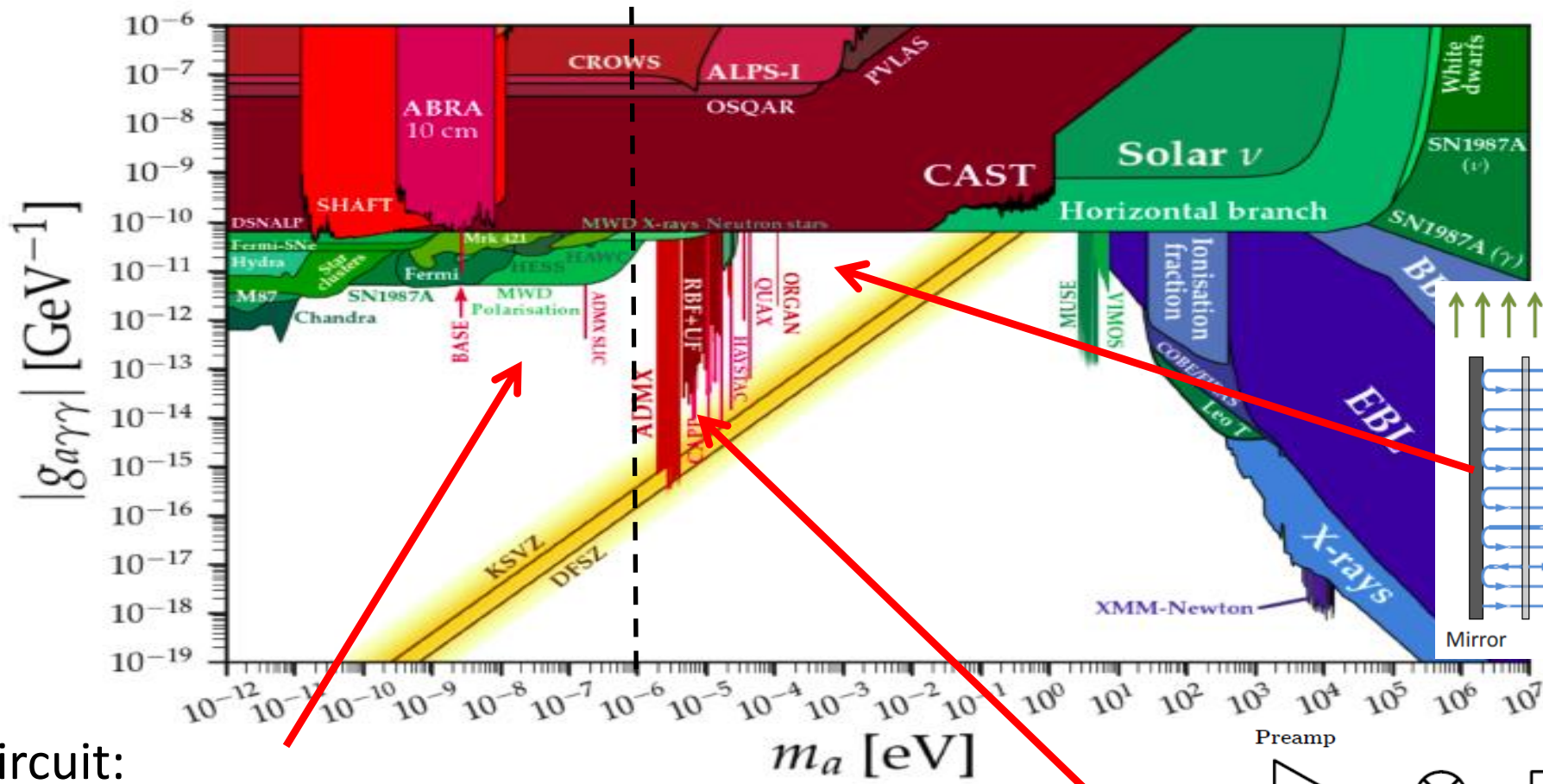


- Axion-photon coupling

$$\mathcal{L}_{a\gamma} = -\frac{g_{a\gamma}}{4} a F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} = g_{a\gamma} a \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}$$

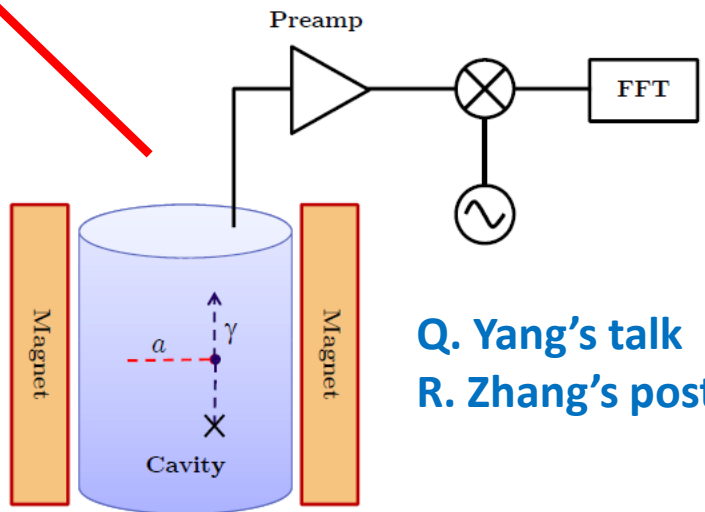
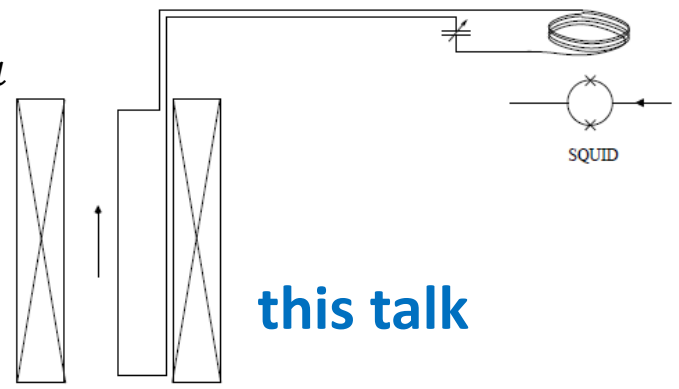


$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} &= \rho - \underline{g_{a\gamma\gamma} \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla a}, \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} &= 0, \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{E} &= -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}, \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{B} &= \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{J} - \underline{g_{a\gamma\gamma} \left(\mathbf{E} \times \nabla a - \frac{\partial a}{\partial t} \mathbf{B} \right)}\end{aligned}$$



C. Dai's poster

LC circuit:
 $B_0 \rightarrow B_a$

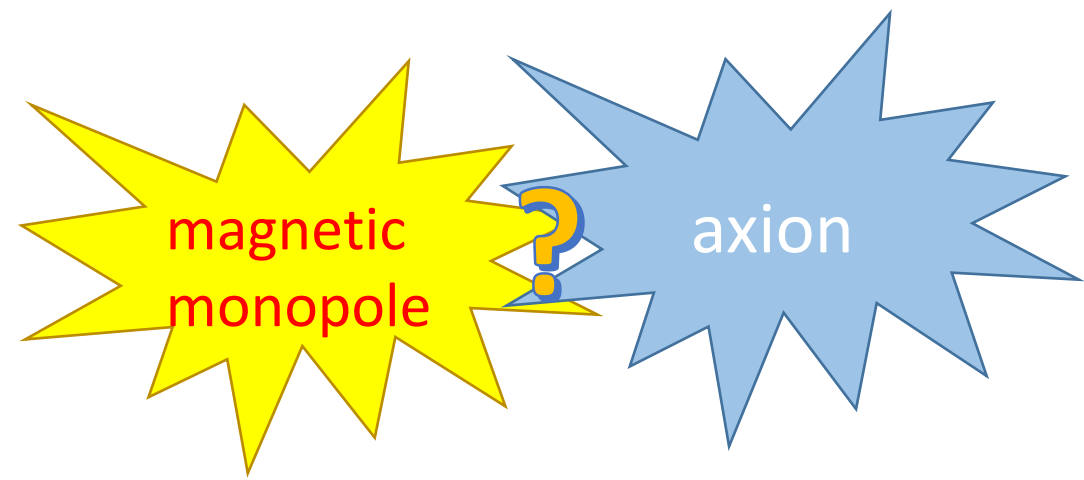


● Axion-monopole interaction

- A non-zero vacuum angle θ in the CP violating term $\theta F\tilde{F}$ introduces an electric charge proportional to θ for magnetic monopoles:
monopole \rightarrow dyon $q = ne - \frac{\theta e}{2\pi}$ (Witten, 1979)

In axion theories, **Witten effect** implies a close relationship (interaction) between axions and magnetic monopoles

- The connection between axion and monopole was first derived under the **classical** theory of electromagnetism: $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = -(e^2/4\pi^2) \nabla \cdot (\theta \mathbf{B})$ (Fischler et al, 1983)
- To properly quantize the axion-dyon dynamics, one needs to utilize the **quantum electrodynamics (QEMD)** (Schwinger 1966, Zwanziger 1968)
- Based on QEMD, **a generic axion-photon Lagrangian** has been constructed in the framework of low-energy effective field theory (Sokolov, Ringwald, arXiv: 2205.02605)
- There exist more anomalous axion-photon couplings \mathcal{G}_{aAA} , \mathcal{G}_{aBB} and \mathcal{G}_{aAB} in contrary to the ordinary axion EFT $\mathcal{G}_{a\gamma\gamma} \rightarrow$ new modified EoM \rightarrow new axion-modified Maxwell equations



2. QEMD and QEMD-axion modified Maxwell equations

- QEMD and generic axion-photon Lagrangian

- QEMD takes such substitution for gauge group:

$U(1) \rightarrow U(1)_E \times U(1)_M$ to describe the coupling of electric charge, magnetic charge and photon.

$A_\mu \quad B_\mu \longrightarrow$ non-trivial commutation and opposite parity $(\partial \wedge X)^{\mu\nu} \equiv \partial^\mu X^\nu - \partial^\nu X^\mu$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2n^2} \left\{ [n \cdot (\partial \wedge B)] \cdot [n \cdot (\partial \wedge \tilde{A})] - [n \cdot (\partial \wedge A)] \cdot [n \cdot (\partial \wedge \tilde{B})] - [n \cdot (\partial \wedge A)]^2 - [n \cdot (\partial \wedge B)]^2 \right\} - j_e \cdot A - j_m \cdot B + \mathcal{L}_G$$

— Zwanziger's QEMD local-Lagrangian

The electromagnetic field strength tensors are introduced in this way:

$n \cdot F = n \cdot (\partial \wedge A)$, $n \cdot \tilde{F} = n \cdot (\partial \wedge B)$, where $n = (0, \vec{n})$ is an arbitrary spatial vector

- The generic low-energy axion-photon EFT and anomalous coupling can be written by [arXiv:2205.02605](https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.02605)

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{4} g_{aAA} a \operatorname{tr}[(\partial \wedge A)(\partial \wedge \tilde{A})] - \frac{1}{4} g_{aBB} a \operatorname{tr}[(\partial \wedge B)(\partial \wedge \tilde{B})] - \frac{1}{2} g_{aAB} a \operatorname{tr}[(\partial \wedge A)(\partial \wedge \tilde{B})]$$

$U(1)_{PQ} U(1)_E^2$

$U(1)_{PQ} U(1)_M^2$

$U(1)_{PQ} U(1)_E U(1)_M$

Witten effect induced

CP conserving

CP violating

$$\mathcal{L} \supset - \left(\vec{j}_e + \frac{e^2 a}{4\pi^2 v_a} \vec{j}_m \right) \cdot A$$

● QEMD-axion modified Maxwell equations

- The conventional EoM and axion-Maxwell equations are modified through the above anomalous axion-photon interactions. Given the interactions as well as free Lagrangian, one can derive **QEMD axion-Maxwell equations** by classical equations of motion:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}_a - \frac{\partial \vec{E}_a}{\partial t} = g_{aAA}(\vec{E}_0 \times \vec{\nabla} a - \frac{\partial a}{\partial t} \vec{B}_0) + g_{aAB}(\vec{B}_0 \times \vec{\nabla} a + \frac{\partial a}{\partial t} \vec{E}_0), \\ \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}_a + \frac{\partial \vec{B}_a}{\partial t} = -g_{aBB}(\vec{B}_0 \times \vec{\nabla} a + \frac{\partial a}{\partial t} \vec{E}_0) - g_{aAB}(\vec{E}_0 \times \vec{\nabla} a - \frac{\partial a}{\partial t} \vec{B}_0), \\ \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}_a = -g_{aBB} \vec{E}_0 \cdot \vec{\nabla} a + g_{aAB} \vec{B}_0 \cdot \vec{\nabla} a, \\ \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}_a = g_{aAA} \vec{B}_0 \cdot \vec{\nabla} a - g_{aAB} \vec{E}_0 \cdot \vec{\nabla} a, \end{array} \right.$$

- One can calculate the coupling coefficients which are related to their corresponding anomaly coefficients E, M, D, respectively.

$$g_{aAA} = \frac{E e^2}{4\pi^2 v_{PQ}}, \quad g_{aBB} = \frac{M g_0^2}{4\pi^2 v_{PQ}}, \quad g_{aAB} = \frac{D e g_0}{4\pi^2 v_{PQ}},$$

$$E = \sum_{\psi} q_{\psi}^2 \cdot d(C_{\psi}), \quad M = \sum_{\psi} g_{\psi}^2 \cdot d(C_{\psi}), \quad D = \sum_{\psi} q_{\psi} g_{\psi} \cdot d(C_{\psi}),$$

1. The DSZ quantization condition indicates:

$$g_0 \gg e$$

$$g_{aAA} \ll |g_{aAB}| \ll g_{aBB}$$

2. Assuming

$$E \simeq |D| \simeq M$$

$$g_{aAA}/g_{aBB} \simeq (e/g_0)^2 \simeq 10^{-4}$$

$$|g_{aAB}|/g_{aBB} \simeq e/g_0 \simeq 10^{-2}$$

3. The suppression from axion DM velocity

$$|\vec{\nabla} a| \sim 10^{-3} \partial a / \partial t$$

- Further simplified QEMD-axion modified Maxwell equations

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}_a - \frac{\partial \vec{E}_a}{\partial t} = 0, \\ \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}_a + \frac{\partial \vec{B}_a}{\partial t} = -g_{aBB}(\vec{B}_0 \times \vec{\nabla} a + \frac{\partial a}{\partial t} \vec{E}_0) + g_{aAB} \frac{\partial a}{\partial t} \vec{B}_0, \\ \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B}_a = 0, \\ \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E}_a = 0. \end{array} \right. \quad \boxed{\vec{j}_{\text{eff}}^m = g_{aBB} \vec{B}_0 \times \vec{\nabla} a - g_{aAB} \frac{\partial a}{\partial t} \vec{B}_0}$$

◆ Some conventions:

$$a(t, \vec{r}) = a_0 \cos(\omega_a t - \vec{k}_a \cdot \vec{r})$$

with $\omega_a \approx m_a$ and $\vec{k}_a \approx m_a \vec{v}_a$

- **Case I:** For ordinary haloscope experiments, they adopt a non-zero magnetic field $B_0 \neq 0$ but vanishing electric field $E_0 = 0$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{B}_a - \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}_a}{\partial t^2} = g_{aBB} \vec{B}_0 \times \vec{\nabla} \frac{\partial a}{\partial t} - g_{aAB} \frac{\partial^2 a}{\partial t^2} \vec{B}_0,$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E}_a - \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}_a}{\partial t^2} = g_{aBB} (\vec{\nabla} a \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{B}_0 - g_{aAB} \frac{\partial a}{\partial t} \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}_0.$$

- **Case II:** Electric field $E_0 \neq 0$ but vanishing magnetic field $B_0 = 0$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{B}_a - \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}_a}{\partial t^2} = g_{aBB} \frac{\partial^2 a}{\partial t^2} \vec{E}_0,$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E}_a - \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}_a}{\partial t^2} = g_{aBB} \frac{\partial a}{\partial t} \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}_0.$$

3. Solutions and numerical results

(arXiv: 1809.10709 Ouellet, Bogorad)

● Solutions in the static external magnetic/electric field

• **Case I:** $B_0 \neq 0, E_0 = 0$ $\vec{B}_0 = \theta(R - \rho)B_0\hat{z}$

Assuming a static magnetic field B_0 along the \hat{z} direction generated by a long solenoid with radius R

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E}_a - \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}_a}{\partial t^2} = - \left(g_{aBB} \frac{\partial a}{\partial \rho} \hat{z} + g_{aAB} \frac{\partial a}{\partial t} \hat{\phi} \right) B_0 \delta(\rho - R) .$$

$$\vec{E}_{a,\phi} \approx \begin{cases} i \left[\frac{1}{2} g_{aAB} a_0 B_0 \omega_a \rho - \frac{1}{4} g_{aAB} a_0 B_0 \omega_a^3 R^2 \rho \left(\gamma'(\omega_a R) - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] e^{i\omega_a t} \hat{\phi}, & \rho < R, \\ i \left[\frac{1}{2} g_{aAB} a_0 B_0 \omega_a \frac{R^2}{\rho} - \frac{1}{4} g_{aAB} a_0 B_0 \omega_a^3 R^2 \rho \left(\gamma'(\omega_a R) - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] e^{i\omega_a t} \hat{\phi}, & \rho > R, \end{cases}$$

$$\approx \begin{cases} i \frac{1}{2} g_{aAB} a_0 B_0 \omega_a \rho e^{i\omega_a t} \hat{\phi}, & \rho < R, \\ i \frac{1}{2} g_{aAB} a_0 B_0 \omega_a \frac{R^2}{\rho} e^{i\omega_a t} \hat{\phi}, & \rho > R, \end{cases}$$

Considering the limit of large Compton wavelengths

$$\lambda_a = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_a} \gg R \text{ and thus } \rho' = \omega_a R \ll 1$$

• **Case II:** $E_0 \neq 0, B_0 = 0$ $\vec{E}_0 = \theta(R - \rho)E_0\hat{z}$

Similarly, a static electric field E_0 along \hat{z} direction can be obtained by a pair of parallel plates with radius R

$$\nabla^2 \vec{E}_a - \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}_a}{\partial t^2} = g_{aBB} E_0 \frac{\partial a}{\partial t} \delta(\rho - R) \hat{\phi} .$$



The field solutions of **case II** are analogous to the results of $E_{a,\phi}$ and $B_{a,z}$ in **case I**, only differing by the substitution of $g_{aAB}B_0 \rightarrow -g_{aBB}E_0$

• **Case I:** $B_0 \neq 0, E_0 = 0$ $\vec{B}_0 = \theta(R - \rho)B_0\hat{z}$

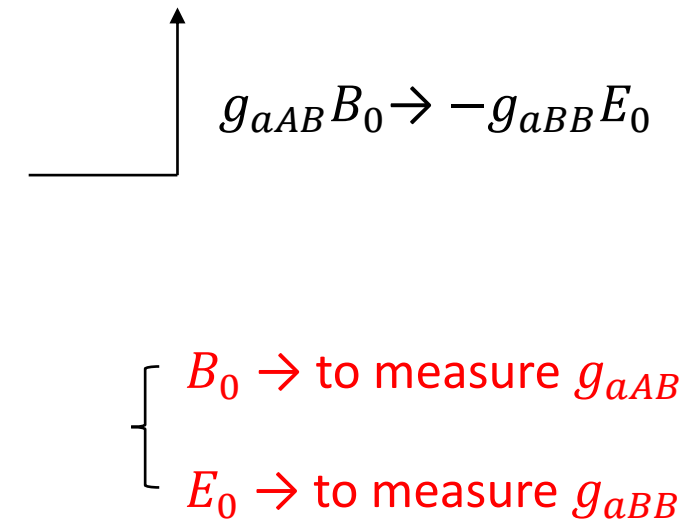
$$\nabla^2 \vec{B}_a - \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}_a}{\partial t^2} = g_{aBB} \vec{B}_0 \times \vec{\nabla} \frac{\partial a}{\partial t} - g_{aAB} \frac{\partial^2 a}{\partial t^2} \vec{B}_0$$

• **Case II:** $E_0 \neq 0, B_0 = 0$ $\vec{E}_0 = \theta(R - \rho)E_0\hat{z}$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{B}_a - \frac{\partial^2 \vec{B}_a}{\partial t^2} = g_{aBB} \frac{\partial^2 a}{\partial t^2} \vec{E}_0$$

$$\vec{B}_{a,z} \approx \begin{cases} g_{aAB} a_0 B_0 \left[\frac{(\omega_a R)^2}{2} \left(\gamma'(\omega_a R) - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left(1 - \frac{\omega_a^2 \rho^2}{4} \right) + \frac{\omega_a^2 \rho^2}{4} \right] e^{i\omega_a t} \hat{z}, & \rho < R, \\ g_{aAB} a_0 B_0 \frac{(\omega_a R)^2}{2} \left[\gamma'(\omega_a \rho) + \frac{1}{4} (1 - \gamma'(\omega_a \rho)) (\omega_a \rho)^2 \right] e^{i\omega_a t} \hat{z}, & \rho > R, \end{cases}$$

$$\approx \begin{cases} g_{aAB} a_0 B_0 \left[\frac{(\omega_a R)^2}{2} \left(\gamma'(\omega_a R) - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{\omega_a^2 \rho^2}{4} \right] e^{i\omega_a t} \hat{z}, & \rho < R, \\ g_{aAB} a_0 B_0 \frac{(\omega_a R)^2}{2} \gamma'(\omega_a \rho) e^{i\omega_a t} \hat{z}, & \rho > R. \end{cases}$$

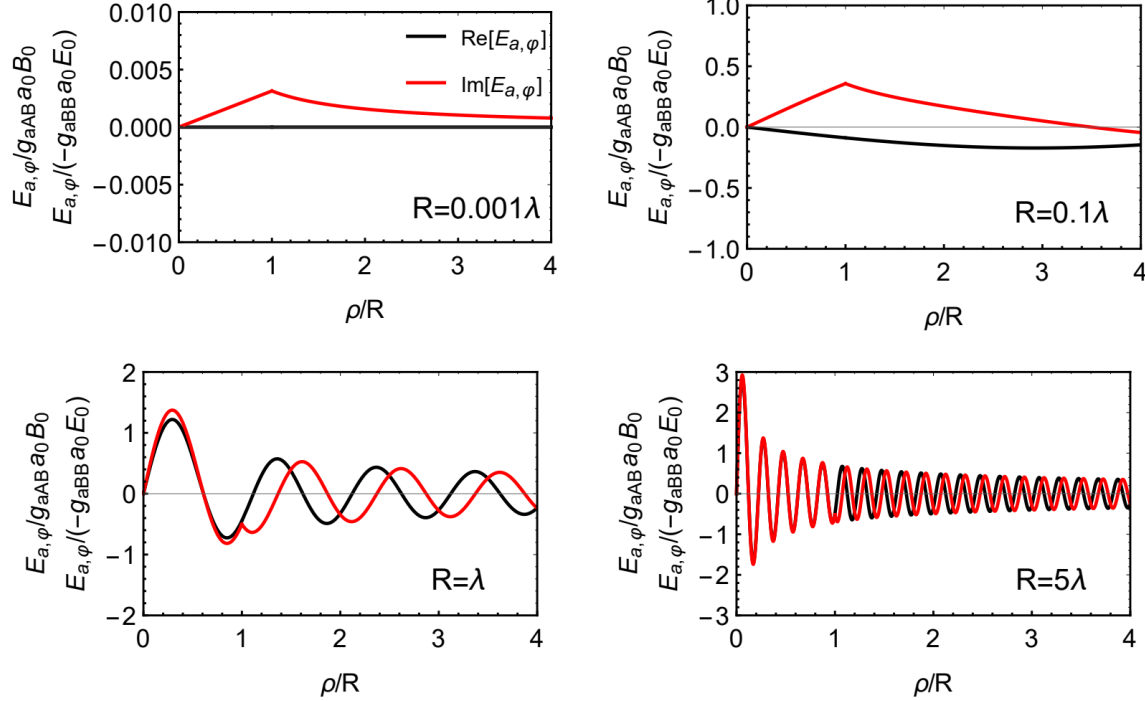


◆ The solutions of other components $E_{a,z}, B_{a,\varphi}, B_{a,\rho} \propto g_{aBB}$ are all suppressed by axion DM velocity $v \sim 10^{-3}$

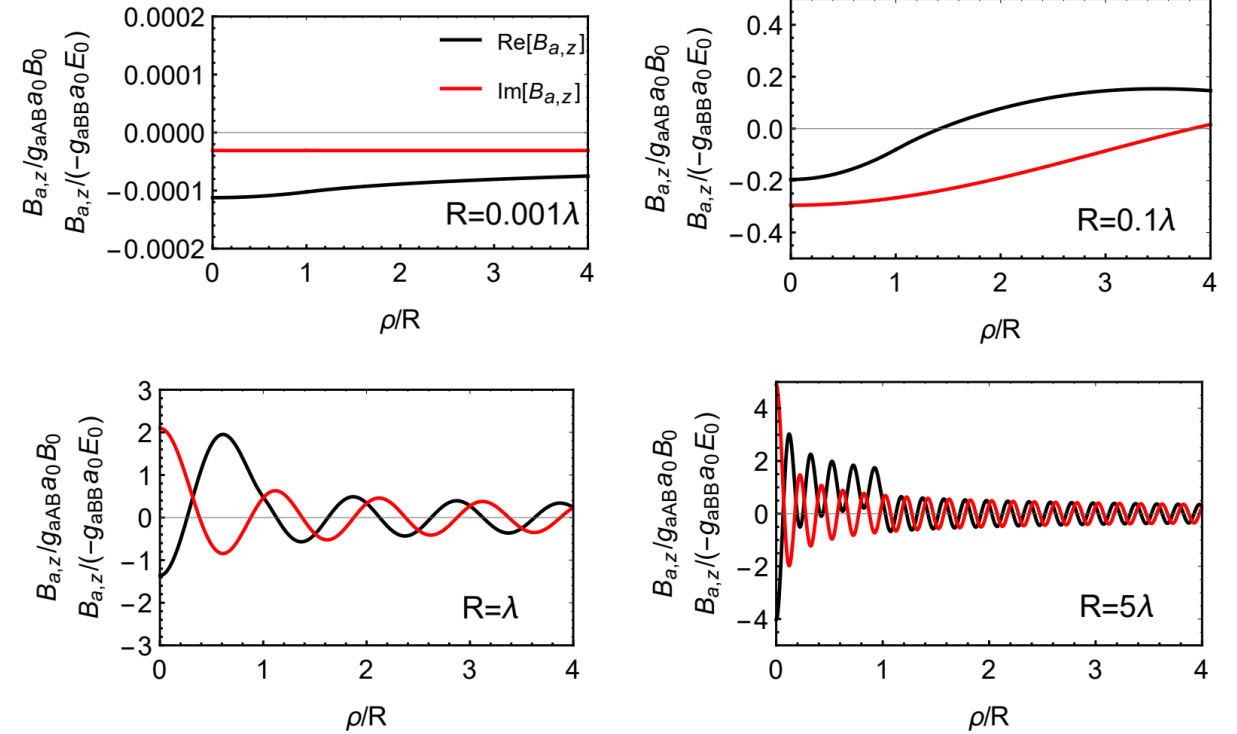
◆ The dominant solutions $E_{a,\varphi}$ and $B_{a,z}$ are not velocity-suppressed and equivalent to the solutions of [arXiv: 1809.10709](https://arxiv.org/abs/1809.10709) only by replacing $E_{a,\varphi} \rightarrow B_{a,\varphi}, B_{a,z} \rightarrow -E_{a,z}$ in our results

● Numerical results of axion-induced electromagnetic fields

$E_{a,\varphi}$



$B_{a,z}$



$$U_{E\phi}(\rho') = \begin{cases} a_{E\phi} J_1(\rho'), & \rho' < \omega_a R, \\ b_{E\phi} H_1^+(\rho'), & \rho' > \omega_a R, \end{cases}$$

$$a_{E\phi} = -\frac{\pi}{2} g_{aAB} a_0 B_0 \omega_a R H_1^+(\omega_a R),$$

$$b_{E\phi} = -\frac{\pi}{2} g_{aAB} a_0 B_0 \omega_a R J_1(\omega_a R).$$

$$U_{Bz}(\rho') = \begin{cases} a_{Bz} J_0(\rho') + g_{aAB} a_0 B_0, & \rho' < \omega_a R, \\ b_{Bz} H_0^+(\rho'), & \rho' > \omega_a R, \end{cases}$$

$$a_{Bz} = -\frac{i\pi}{2} g_{aAB} a_0 B_0 \omega_a R H_1^+(\omega_a R),$$

$$b_{Bz} = -\frac{i\pi}{2} g_{aAB} a_0 B_0 \omega_a R J_1(\omega_a R).$$

4. Experimental setup and sensitivity

● Experimental setup

- The induction current in wire loop is:
$$I_a = \frac{2\pi R E_{a,\phi}(R)}{R_s}$$
- The total noise can be divided into two parts: thermal noise T_c from circuit and the input white noise T_{Amp} from amplifiers.

$$P_{\text{signal}} = \langle I_a^2 R_s \rangle = \frac{Q_c \pi^4 g_{aAB}^2 \rho_{\text{DM}} B_0^2 R^4 \left| H_1^+(\omega_a R) J_1(\omega_a R) \right|^2}{L \omega_a}$$

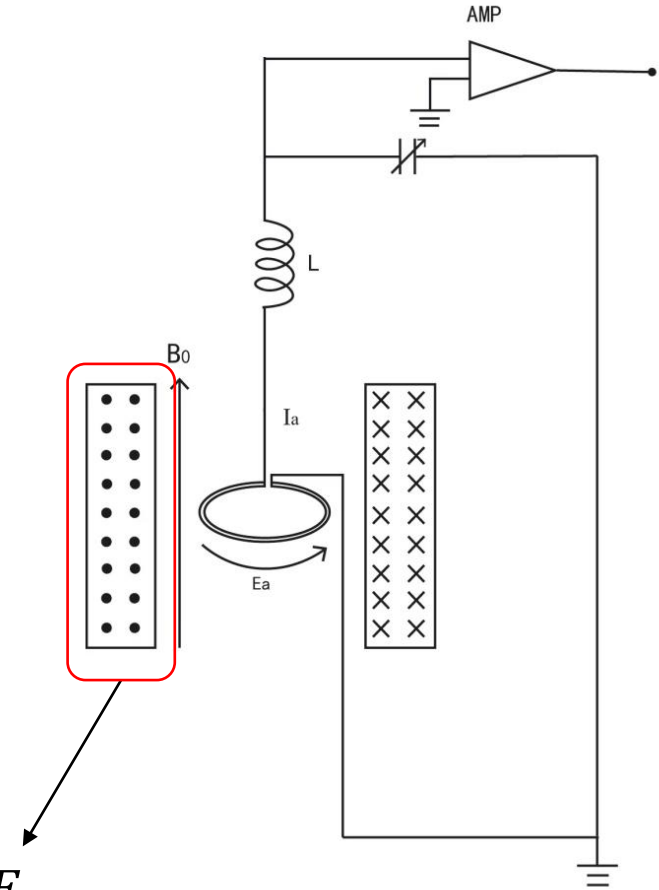
$$P_{\text{noise}} = \kappa_B T_N \sqrt{\frac{\Delta f}{\Delta t}}$$

(arXiv: 2206.13543 Duan, Gao et al)

$$P_{\text{noise}}/\Delta f \equiv k_B T_N \approx 4k_B T_c + 4k_B T_{\text{Amp}}$$

$$\text{SNR} = \frac{P_{\text{signal}}}{P_{\text{noise}}} > 3$$

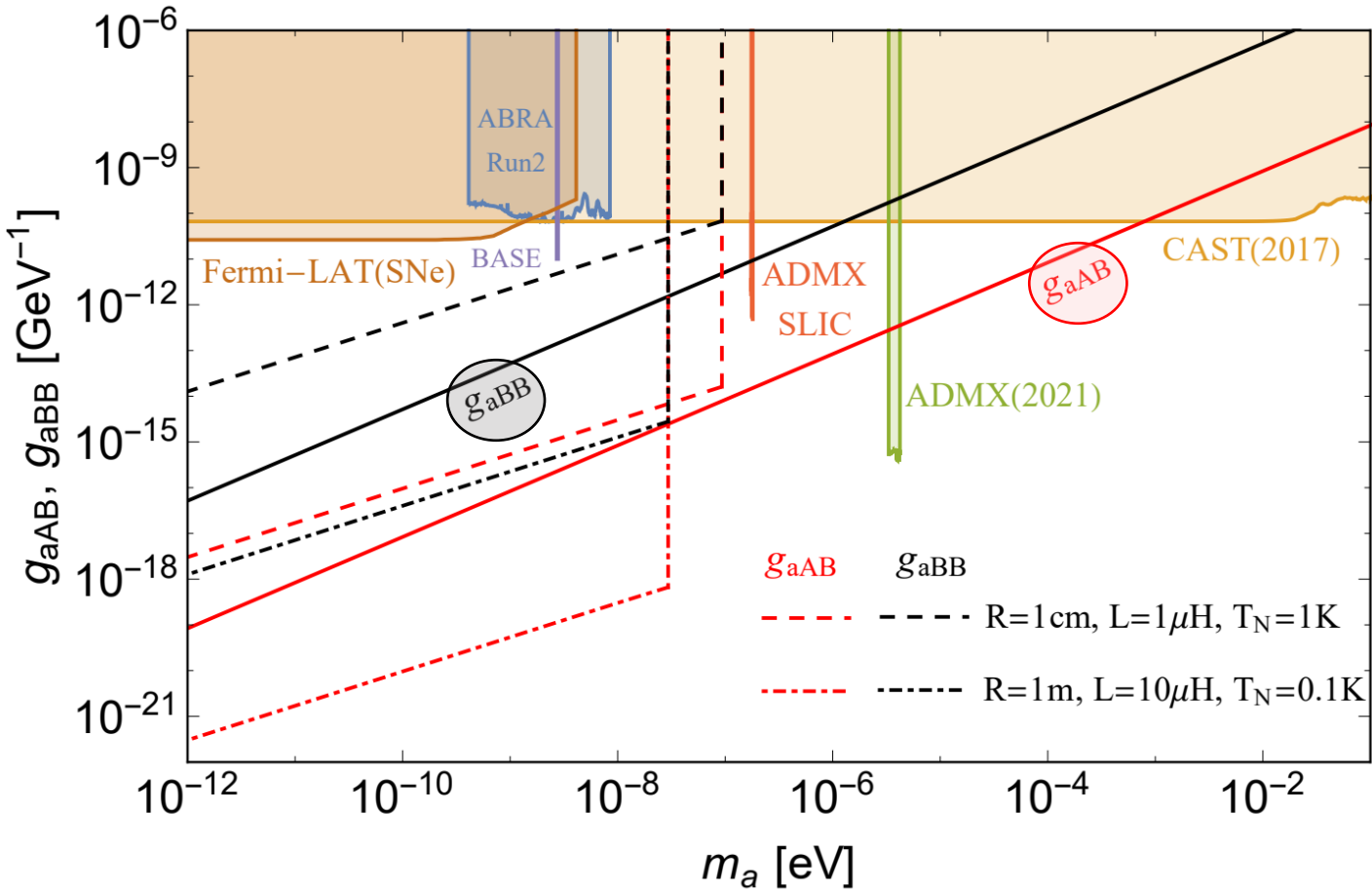
Sensitivity criterion



$$g_{aAB} B_0 \rightarrow g_{aBB} E_0$$

To measure g_{aBB} , the solenoid can be replaced by horizontally placed parallel plates.

● Expected sensitivity bounds



★ New strategies of sub- μ eV axion detection

- The conventional LC axion detection :

$$B_0 \rightarrow B_a \text{ to search } g_{a\gamma} (g_{aAA})$$

- New strategies of QEMD axion detection:



$$B_0 \rightarrow E_{a,\varphi} \text{ to search } g_{aAB}$$

$$E_0 \rightarrow E_{a,\varphi} \text{ to search } g_{aBB}$$

5. Summary

- Quantum electrodynamics (QED) gives generic anomalous axion-photon interactions in a low-energy EFT.
- Such Lagrangian provides new axion Maxwell equations. Their solutions imply the induced oscillating electric fields are always dominant compared with the axion magnetic field.
- New strategies are proposed to measure the axion-induced electric fields and new couplings for sub- μeV axion.

5. Summary

- Quantum electrodynamics (QED) gives generic anomalous axion-photon interactions in a low-energy EFT.
- Such Lagrangian provides new axion Maxwell equations. Their solutions imply the induced oscillating electric fields are always dominant compared with the axion magnetic field.
- New strategies are proposed to measure the axion-induced electric fields and new couplings for sub- μeV axion.

Thank You

backups

- The equal-time commutators between the potentials:

$$[A^\mu(t, \vec{x}), B^\nu(t, \vec{y})] = i\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho 0} n^\rho (n \cdot \partial)^{-1}(\vec{x} - \vec{y}) ,$$

$$[A^\mu(t, \vec{x}), A^\nu(t, \vec{y})] = [B^\mu(t, \vec{x}), B^\nu(t, \vec{y})] = -i (g_0^\mu n^\nu + g_0^\nu n^\mu) (n \cdot \partial)^{-1}(\vec{x} - \vec{y})$$

- QEMD axion Maxwell equations:

$$\partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} - g_{aAA} \partial_\mu a F^{d\mu\nu} + g_{aAB} \partial_\mu a F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{e^2 a}{4\pi^2 v_a} j_m^{\phi\nu} = \bar{j}_e^\nu ,$$

$$\partial_\mu F^{d\mu\nu} + g_{aBB} \partial_\mu a F^{\mu\nu} - g_{aAB} \partial_\mu a F^{d\mu\nu} = j_m^\nu .$$