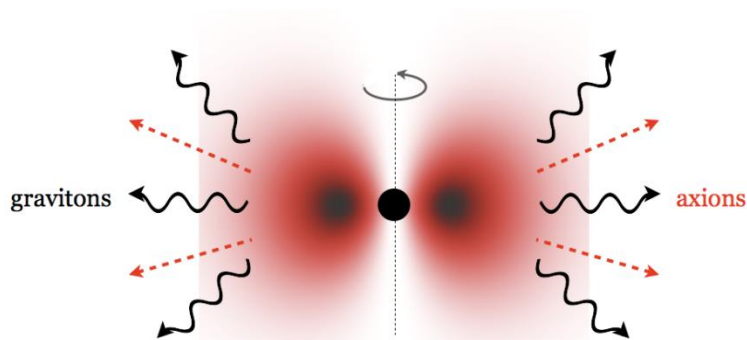


Exploring the Axiverse by Gravitational Waves and Gamma Rays



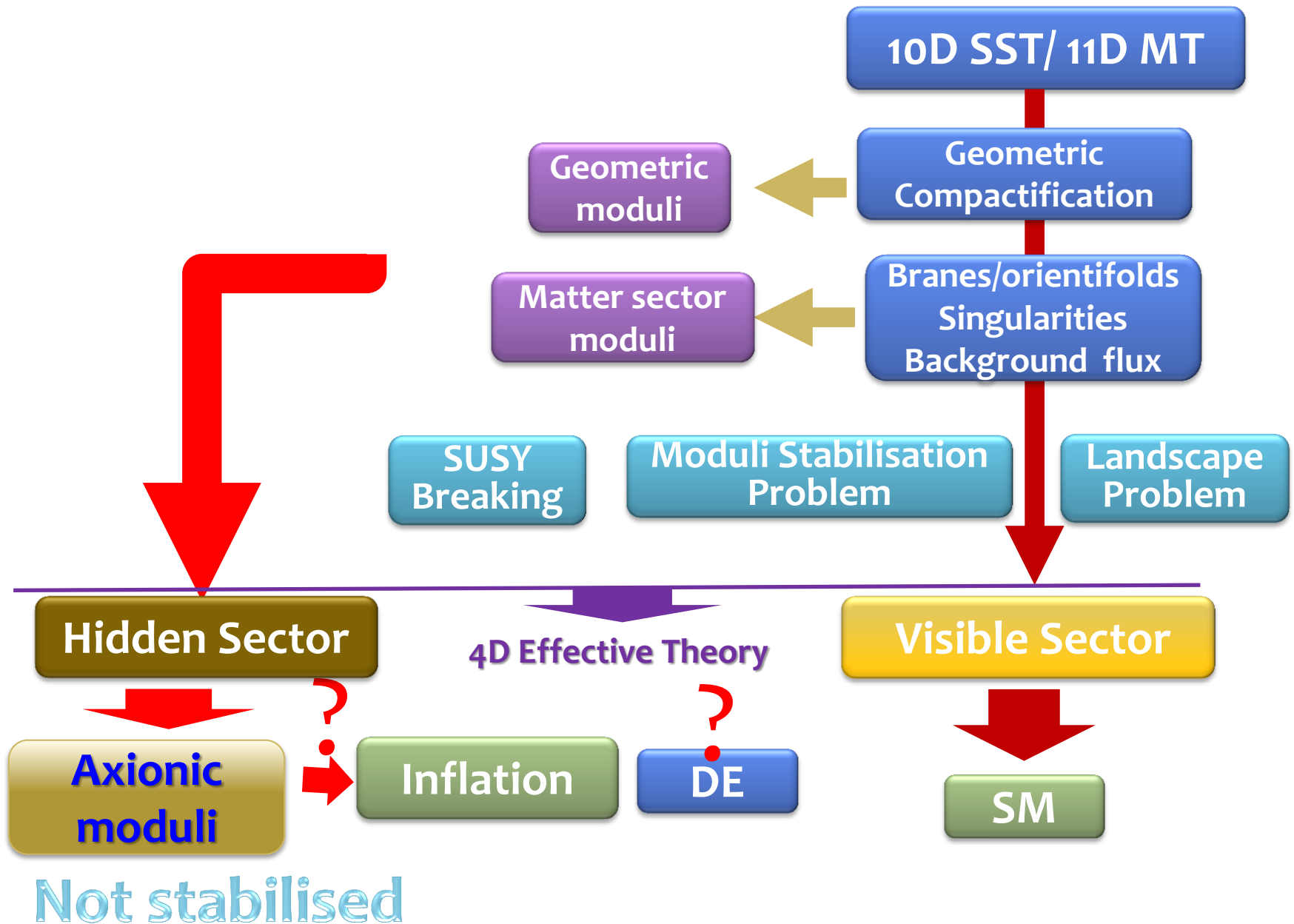
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Find phenomena characteristic to string theory!!



Axion Cosmophysics

Super-light axionic fields produce a rich vareity of new cosmophysical phenomena !!

Phenomena irrelevant to abundance

- Instabilities of black hole systems
- Influence on high-energy gamma ray propagation
- Solar activity/heat transport
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Phenomena sensitive to abundance

- Deformation of the cosmological power spectrum
- Rotation of the CMB polarisation
- Dark matter/ Dark radiations
- Dark energy
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Characteristic Mass Scales

- Compton wavelength= Horizon size ($m=3H$)

- Present $t=t_0$: $m_0=4.5 \times 10^{-33}$ eV
- CMB last scattering $t=t_{ls}$: $m_{ls}=0.7 \times 10^{-28}$ eV
- H recombination $t=t_{rec}$: $m_{rec}=1.2 \times 10^{-28}$ eV
- Equidensity time $t=t_{eq}$: $m_{eq}=0.9 \times 10^{-27}$ eV

- Compton wavelength= BH size ($1/m=M_{pl}^2/M$)

- Supermassive BH $M=10^{10} M_{\odot}$: $m_{bh,max}=1.3 \times 10^{-20}$ eV
- Solar mass BH $M=1 M_{\odot}$: $m_{bh,min}=1.3 \times 10^{-10}$ eV

- QCD axion $m \approx \Lambda_{QCD}^2/f_a$

- $f_a=10^{16}$ GeV: $m \sim 10^{-9}$ eV
- $f_a=10^{12}$ GeV: $m \sim 10^{-5}$ eV

$$\text{Cf. } m_a = 1\text{eV} \times \left(\frac{6 \times 10^6 \text{ GeV}}{f_a} \right)$$

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»» **Axionic Superradiance
Instability of Black Holes**

Superradiance

Scalar field around a Kerr BH

$$(\square - \mu^2)\Phi = 0; \quad \Phi \propto e^{-i\omega t + im\phi}$$

KG flux across the future horizon

$$k = \xi + \Omega_h \eta; \quad \xi = \partial_t, \quad \eta = \partial_\phi$$

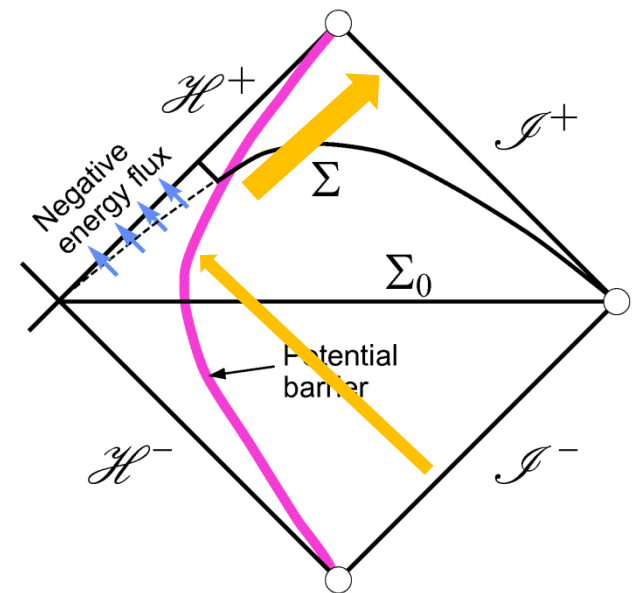
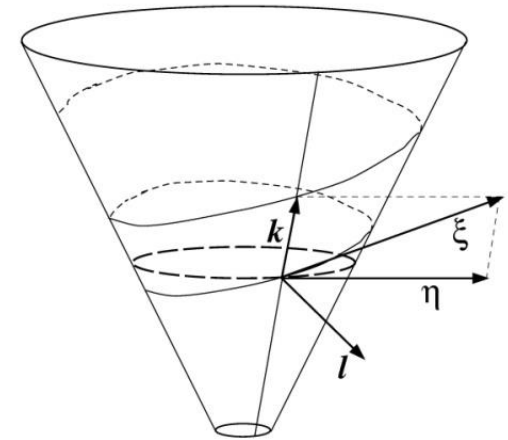
$$I_{\mathcal{H}^+} = \int_{\mathcal{H}^+} (ik^\mu) \Phi^* \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_\mu \Phi = (\omega - \Omega_h m) |C|^2$$

Flux across the horizon can become negative !!

Superradiance

$$\omega |A|_{\mathcal{I}^+}^2 + (\omega - \Omega_h m) |C|^2 = \omega |A|_{\mathcal{I}^-}^2$$

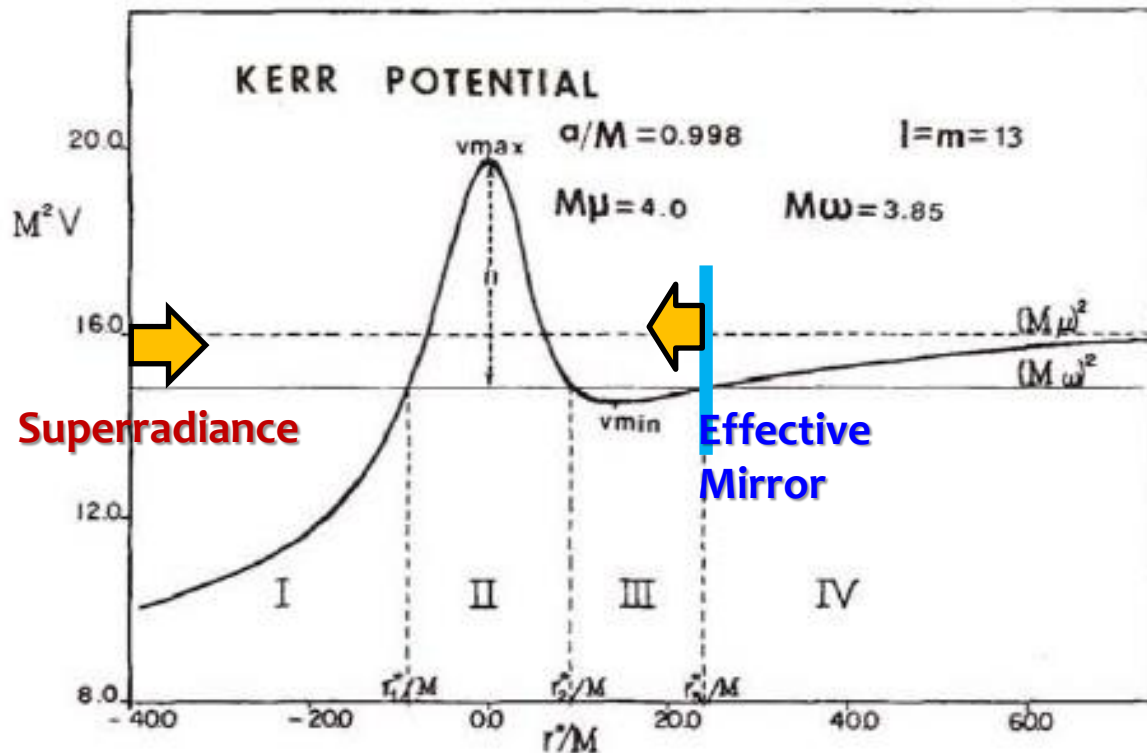
$$\omega - m\Omega_h < 0 \Rightarrow I_{\mathcal{I}^+} > I_{\mathcal{I}^-}$$



Superradiance Instability

Bound state modes of a massive scalar field around a Kerr BH become unstable due to superradiance.

[Damour, Deruelle, Ruffini (1976)]



Zouros TJM, Eardley DM 197

Effective potential for $P(r)$

$$\Phi = P(r) S_l^m(\theta) e^{-i\omega t + im\phi} \quad \Rightarrow \quad -\frac{d^2}{dr^{*2}} P + (V - \omega^2) P = 0$$

Instability Growth Rate

Analytic Estimates

[Zouras & Eardley (1979), Detwiler (1980)]

$$\frac{\tau}{M} \approx \begin{cases} 10^7 e^{1.84\alpha_g} & ; \alpha_g \gg 1, a/M = 1 \\ 24 \left(\frac{a}{M}\right)^{-1} (\alpha_g)^{-9} & ; \alpha_g \ll 1, \end{cases} \quad (\alpha_g = \mu M)$$

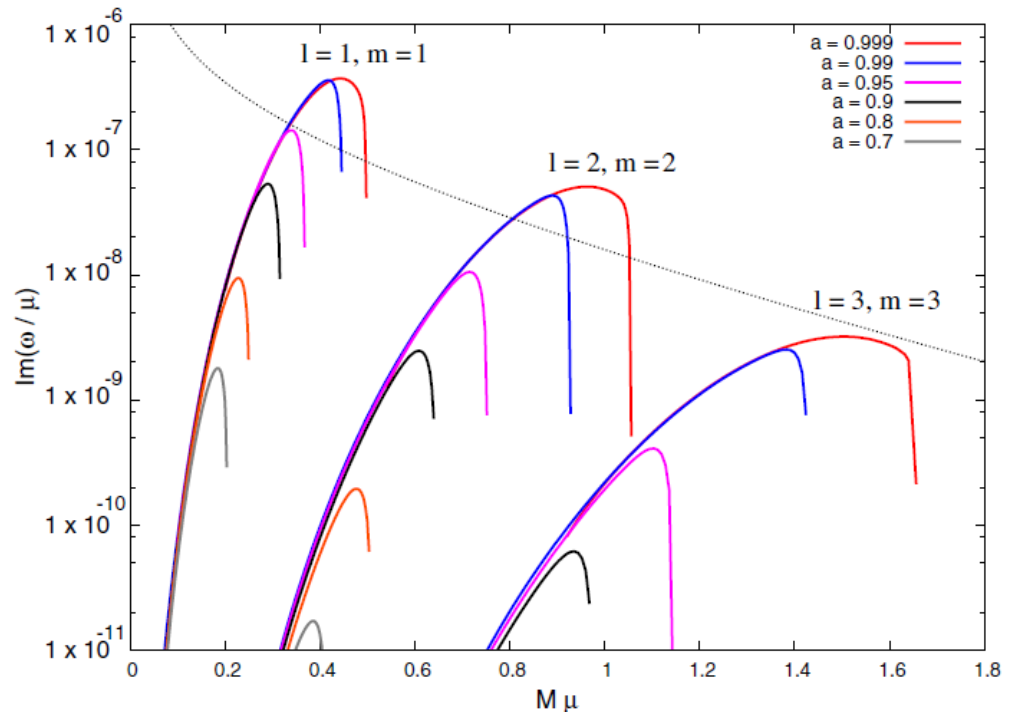
General Features

- The growth rate is greatest for $M\mu < 0.5$.
- The mode with $l=m=1$ is most unstable:
- The maximum growth rate at $a=0.99$ is

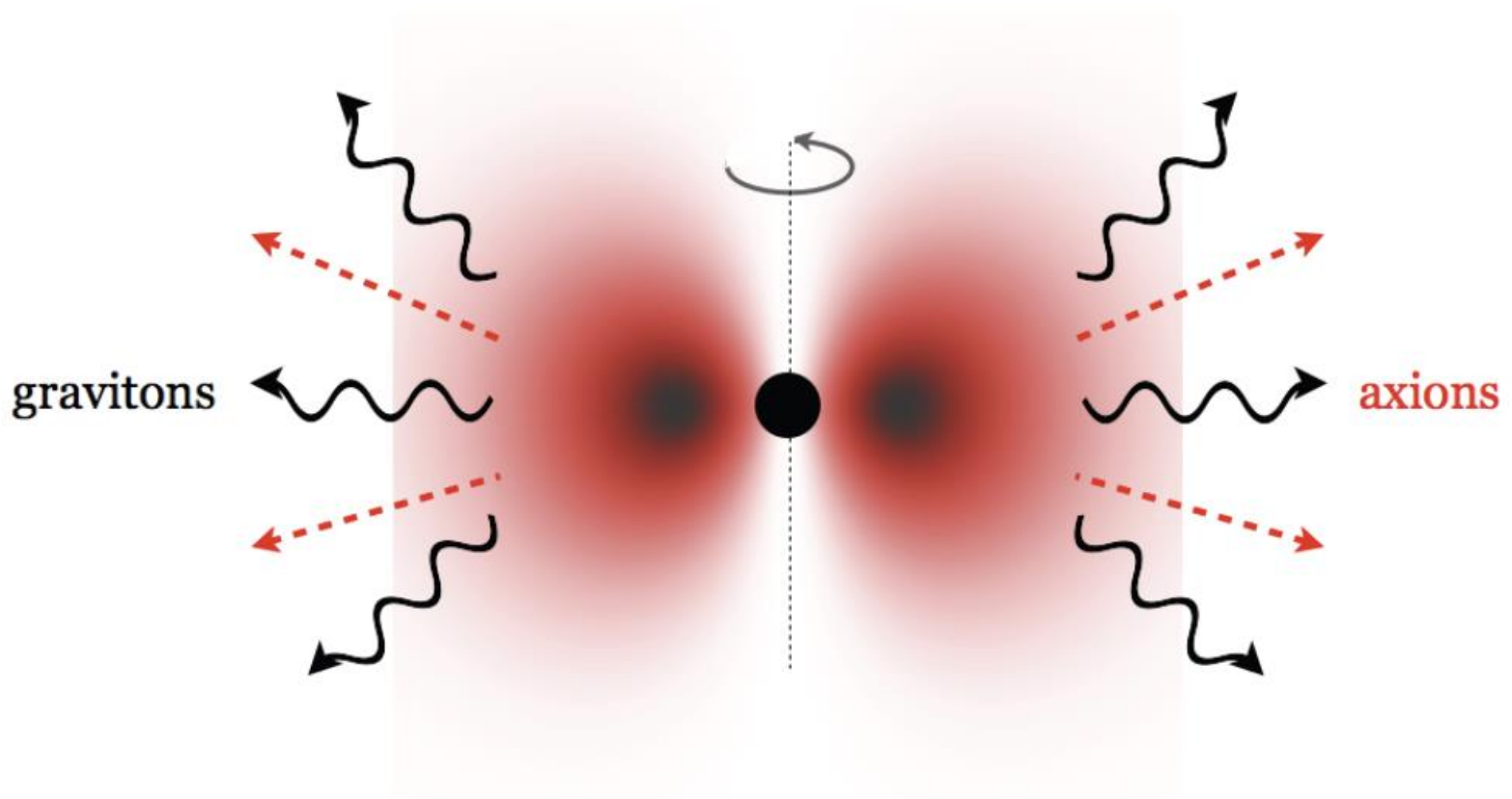
$$\tau \sim 10^7 M$$

$$M_{\odot} \Rightarrow \tau \sim 1 \text{ minute}$$

$$10^6 M_{\odot} \Rightarrow \tau \sim 2 \text{ years}$$

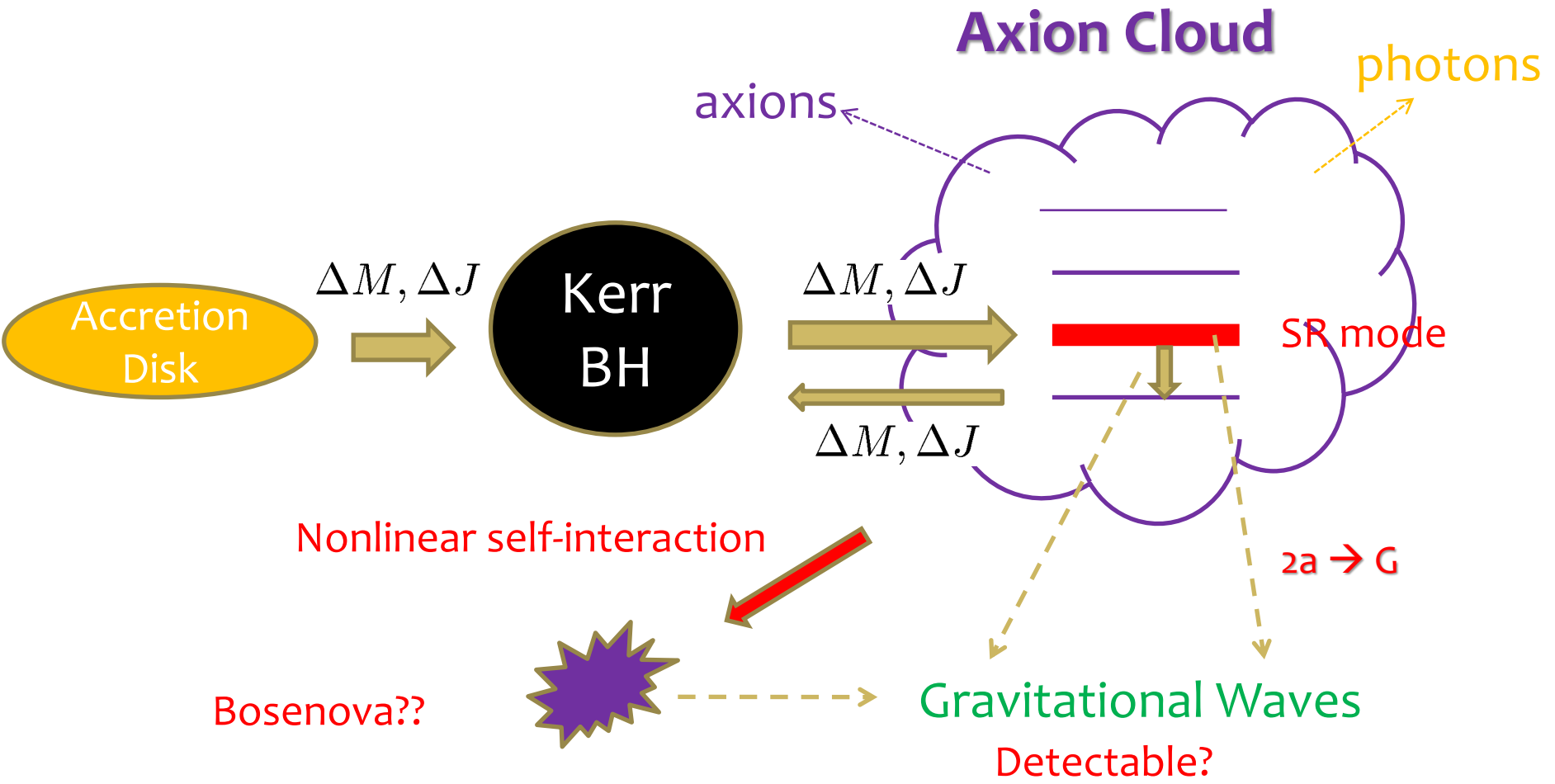


G-Atom



Arvanitaki A, Dubovsky S:
arXiv:1004.3558

Fate of G-Atom?



» **Axionic Bose Nova**

Non-linear Effects

Action of the axion field

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[-\frac{1}{2} (\nabla\Phi)^2 - \frac{\mu^2 f_a^2}{2} \sin^2 (\Phi/f_a) \right]$$

Estimation by Non-relativistic Approximation

$$\Phi \simeq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\mu}} (e^{-i\mu t} \psi + e^{i\mu t} \psi^*)$$



Averaging S over a time scale $\gg 1/\mu$

$$S_{\text{NR}} = \int d^4x \left[i\psi^* \partial_t \psi - \frac{1}{2\mu} \partial_i \psi \partial_i \psi^* - \mu \Phi_g \psi^* \psi + \frac{1}{16f_a^2} (\psi^* \psi)^2 \right]$$

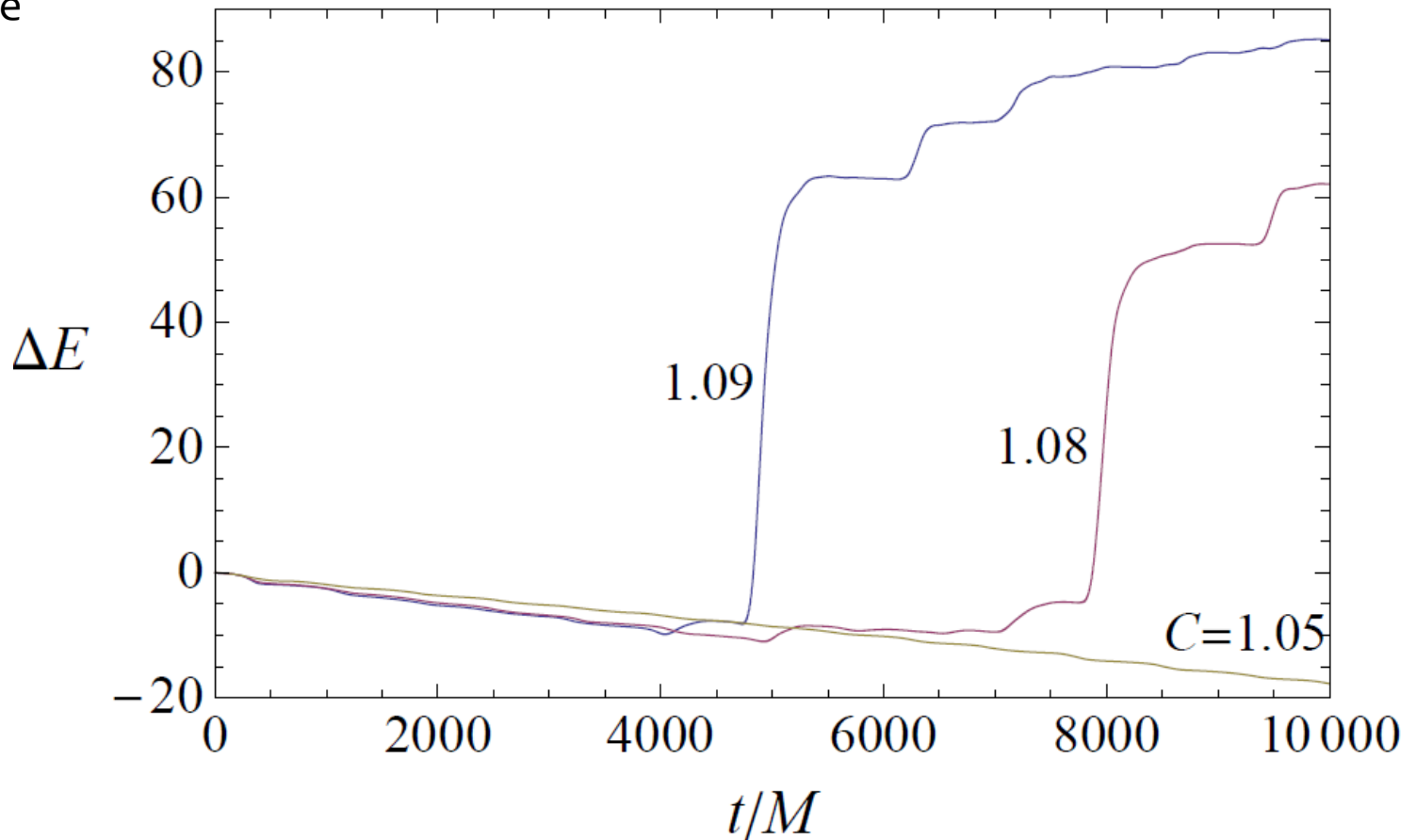
Attractive interaction

$$\propto E_a^2$$

Behavior of the Energy Flux into BH

Our direct 3D simulations reproduced the SR instability growth rate obtained by the Leaver method with sufficient precisions.

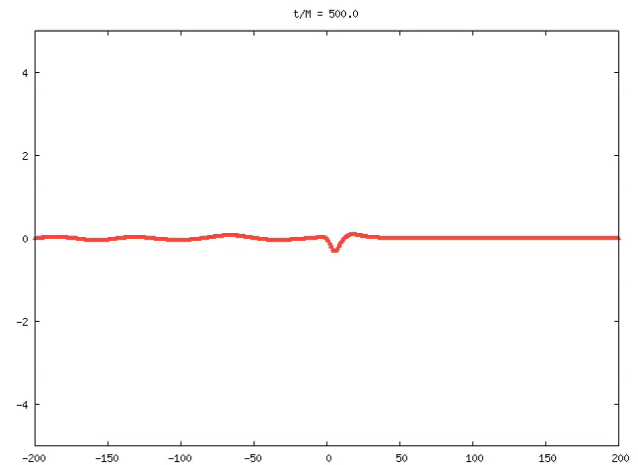
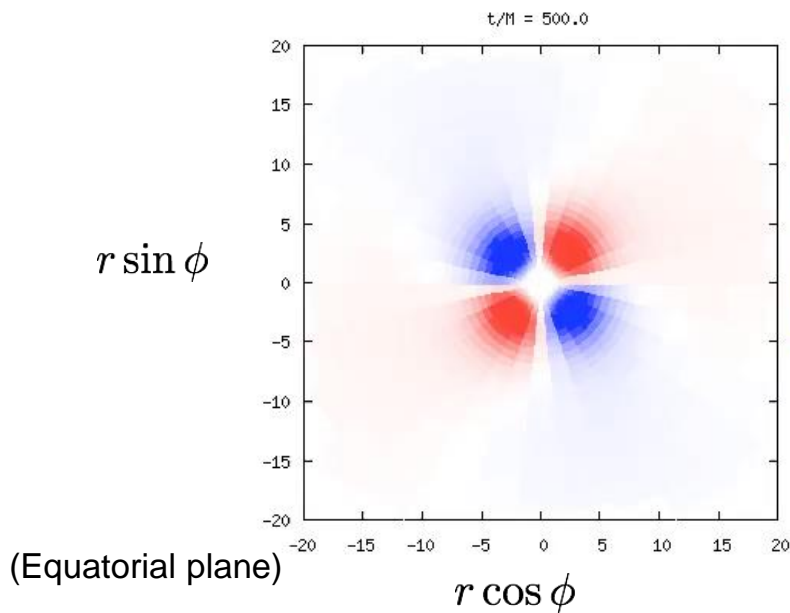
$l=m=1$ case



Full Relativistic 3D Numerical Simulations

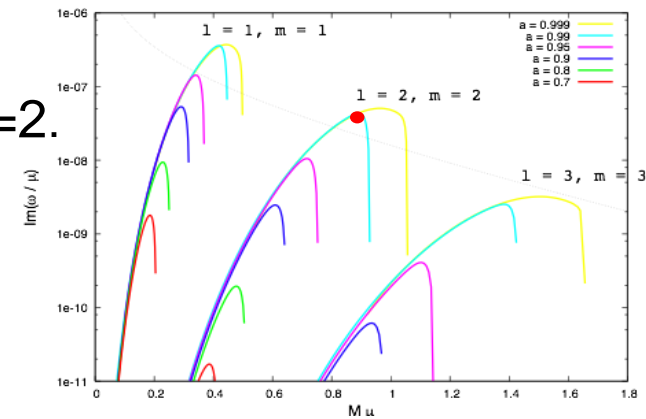
Example: $l=m=2$ mode

Parameters: $a/M = 0.99$, $M\mu = 0.89$

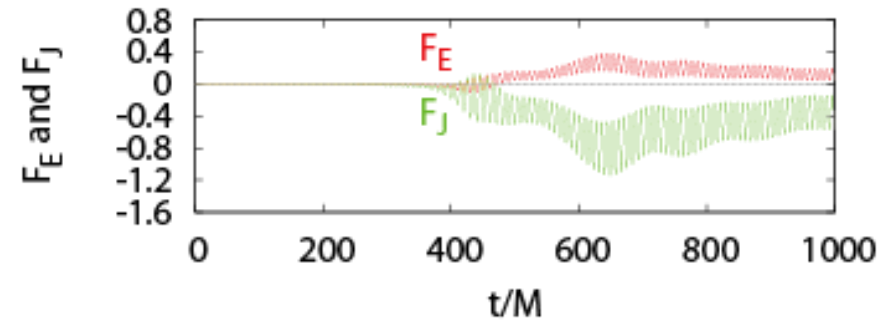
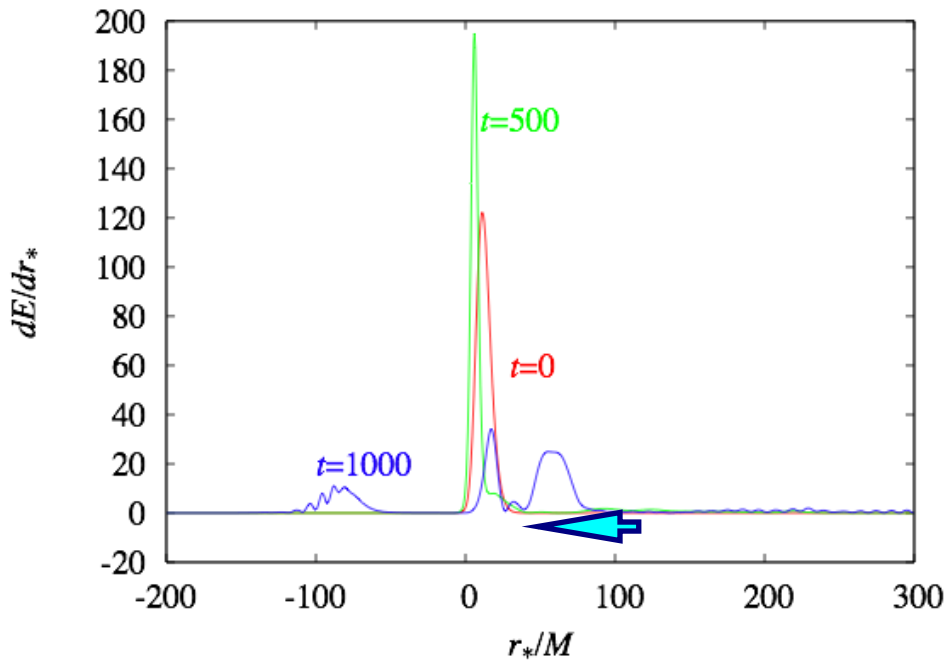


Initial condition: the mode with $l = m = 2$, $n=2$.

Initial amplitude: $\Phi/f_a = 0.7$



Summary of the Simulation: $l=m=2$



- When the peak value is sufficiently large, fairly large amount of axion cloud (20% of total energy) suddenly falls into the black hole in a relatively short time scale.

- This “bosonova implosion” occurs when

$$E_a/M \approx 10^{-3} (f_a/10^{16} \text{ GeV})^2 \iff |\Phi_{\max}(0)/f_a| \sim 0.72$$



Gravitational Wave Emissions

Does the GW Emission Stop Instability?

Estimation by Quadrupole Formula

$$r_c \simeq \frac{l+1}{\mu\alpha_g}, \quad \Omega \simeq \sqrt{\alpha_g} \mu r_c^3$$

$$\Rightarrow P_Q = \frac{G}{45} |\ddot{Q}|^2 \sim \frac{G}{45} (r_c^2 \epsilon M)^2 \Omega^6 \sim \frac{\epsilon^2 \alpha_g^{10}}{45 G (l+1)^{10}} \quad \left(\epsilon = \frac{E_a}{M} \right)$$

GW emission vs SR instability growth

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{E}_{\text{SR}} &= C_{\text{SR}}(\alpha_g, a) (E_a/M) \propto E_a \\ \dot{E}_{\text{GW}} &= -C_{\text{GW}}(\alpha_g, a) (E_a/M)^2 \propto -E_a^2 \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{|\dot{E}_{\text{GW,Q}}|}{\dot{E}_{\text{SR}}} \approx 2 \times 10^5 \epsilon \left(\frac{\alpha_g}{l+1} \right)^{10} \approx 0.02 \epsilon \quad (l=1, \alpha_g=0.4)$$

For superradiant modes, however, level transitions are in general suppressed, and 2 axions \rightarrow graviton process is dominant.

We have to estimate the GW emission rate by this 2 axions \rightarrow graviton process.

GW Energy Flux Formula in a Kerr Background

- The formula for evaluating the amplitude

$$\Delta_L \psi_{\mu\nu} = 16\pi G T_{\mu\nu}$$

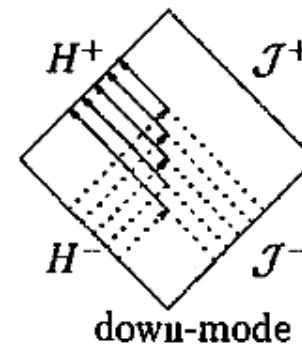
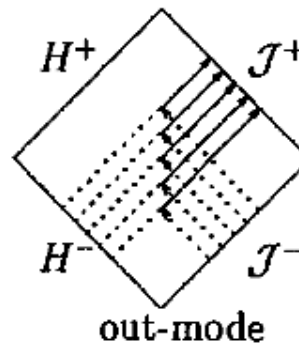
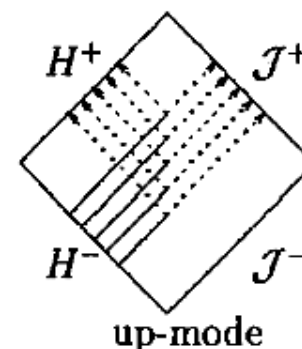
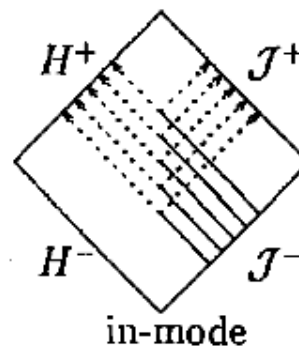
$$\int_{\partial D} (h_{ab}^* \nabla_c \psi^{ab} - \psi^{ab} \nabla_c h_{ab}^*) n^c d\Sigma = -16\pi G \int_D h_{ab}^* T^{ab} \sqrt{-g} d^4x$$

Homogeneous solution \rightarrow h_{ab}^*
 Physical perturbation \rightarrow ψ^{ab}

- Rate of GW energy emission/absorption

$$\dot{E}_{\mathcal{I}^+} = 2\pi G \sum_{l,m,s,\tilde{\omega}} |C_{lm}^s|^{-2} |\langle u_{lm s \tilde{\omega}}, T \rangle|^2$$

$$\langle u, T \rangle := \frac{1}{\Delta t} \int_D d^4x \sqrt{-g} u^{\mu\nu} T_{\mu\nu}$$



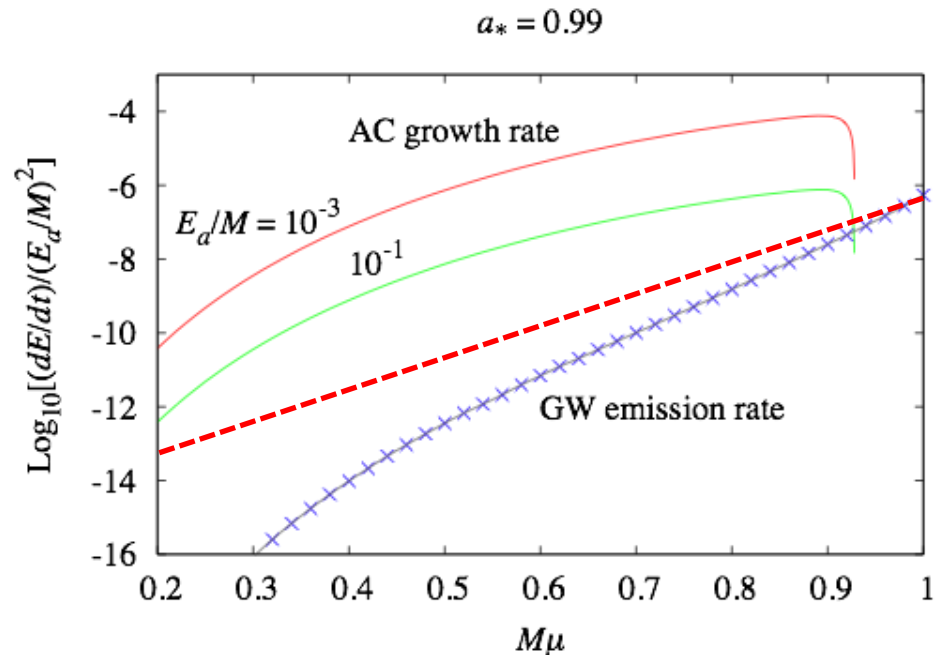
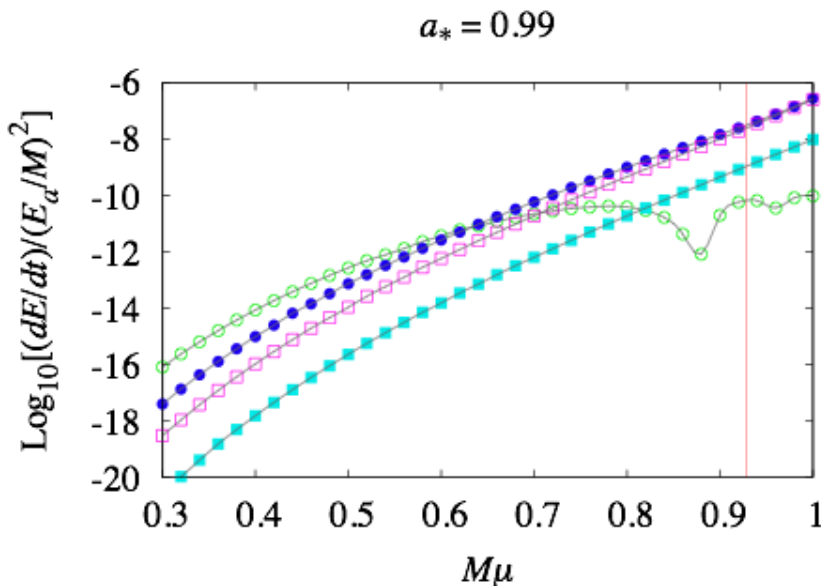
$$\square u_{\mu\nu} = 0; \quad u_{\mu}^{\mu} = 0, \quad \nabla_{\nu} u_{\mu}^{\nu} \sim 0 \text{ at } \mathcal{I}^+$$

$$\Phi, \quad u_{\mu\nu} \Rightarrow \dot{E}_{\mathcal{I}^+}$$

Teukolsky equations + Chrzanowski formula

Axion cloud in $l = m = 2$ mode

- $(\tilde{\ell}, \tilde{m}) = (4, 4), (P = +1)$
- $(\tilde{\ell}, \tilde{m}) = (5, 4), (P = -1)$
- ◻ $(\tilde{\ell}, \tilde{m}) = (6, 4), (P = +1)$
- $(\tilde{\ell}, \tilde{m}) = (7, 4), (P = -1)$



GW emissions do not hide the occurrence of the bose nova collapse!!

Can We Observe GWs from Axion Bosonova?

Estimation by Quadrupole Formula

$$\begin{aligned}
 h &\approx 8 \times 10^{-23} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{10^{-3}} \right) \left(\frac{c^3}{GM\omega} \right) \left(\frac{10\text{kpc}}{d} \right) \left(\frac{M}{10M_\odot} \right) \left(\frac{3\alpha_g}{l+1} \right)^5 \\
 &\approx 8 \times 10^{-21} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{10^{-3}} \right) \left(\frac{c^3}{GM\omega} \right) \left(\frac{10\text{Mpc}}{d} \right) \left(\frac{M}{10^6 M_\odot} \right) \left(\frac{3\alpha_g}{l+1} \right)^5
 \end{aligned}$$

Examples

- Cygnus X-1**

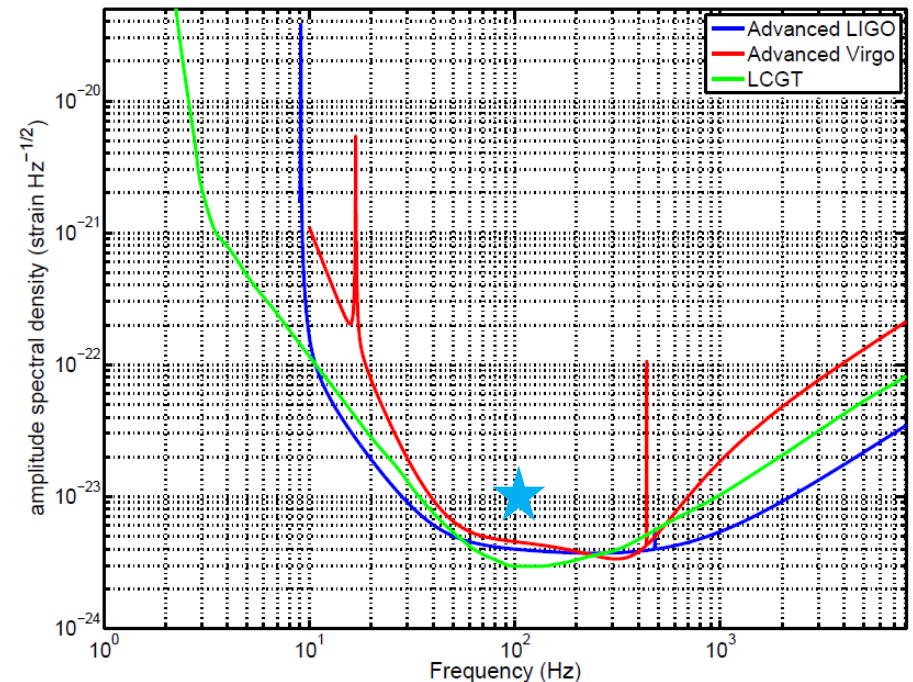
$$M = 14.8 \pm 1.0 M_\odot, \quad a/M \gtrsim 0.9$$

$$d = 1.86\text{kpc}$$

$$\Delta t \approx 100M \approx 7.3 \text{ ms}$$

$$\Rightarrow h\Delta t^{1/2} \approx 10^{-23} \text{ Hz}^{-1/2}$$

$$(\alpha_g = 0.7, \quad l = 2)$$

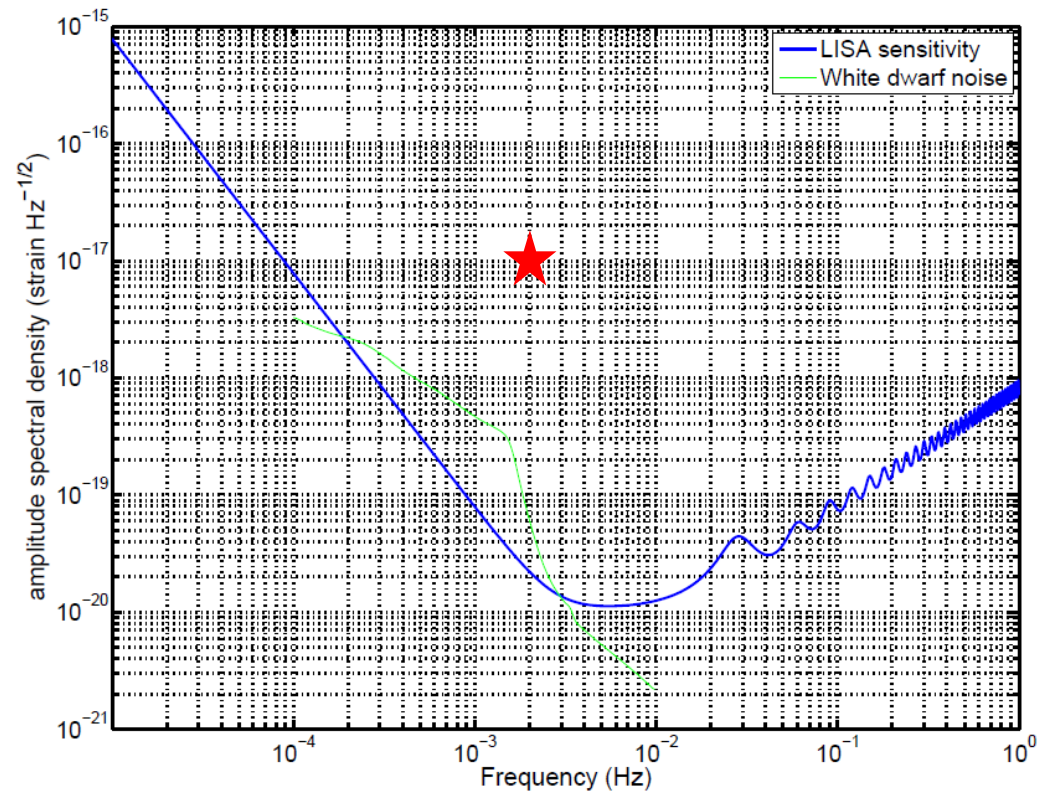


- **Sagittarius A***

$$M \approx 10^6 M_{\odot}, \quad d \approx 8 \text{ kpc}$$

$$\Delta t \approx 100M \approx 500 \text{ s}$$

$$\Rightarrow h\Delta t^{1/2} \approx 10^{-17} \text{ Hz}^{-1/2}$$



GWs during the SR Growth Phase

- For stationary GWs, we can gain S/N by long time observations.

When the duration of observation/SR phase is T , and the frequency range of the GWs is $\Delta\nu$, the S/N is

$$\mathcal{S}/\mathcal{N} \approx \frac{h^2 T}{\hat{N}(\omega)} \times \min \left(1, \frac{1}{(T \Delta\nu)^2} \right)$$

- Cygnus X-1

$$T \sim 10^7 M \sim 10^3 \text{s}$$

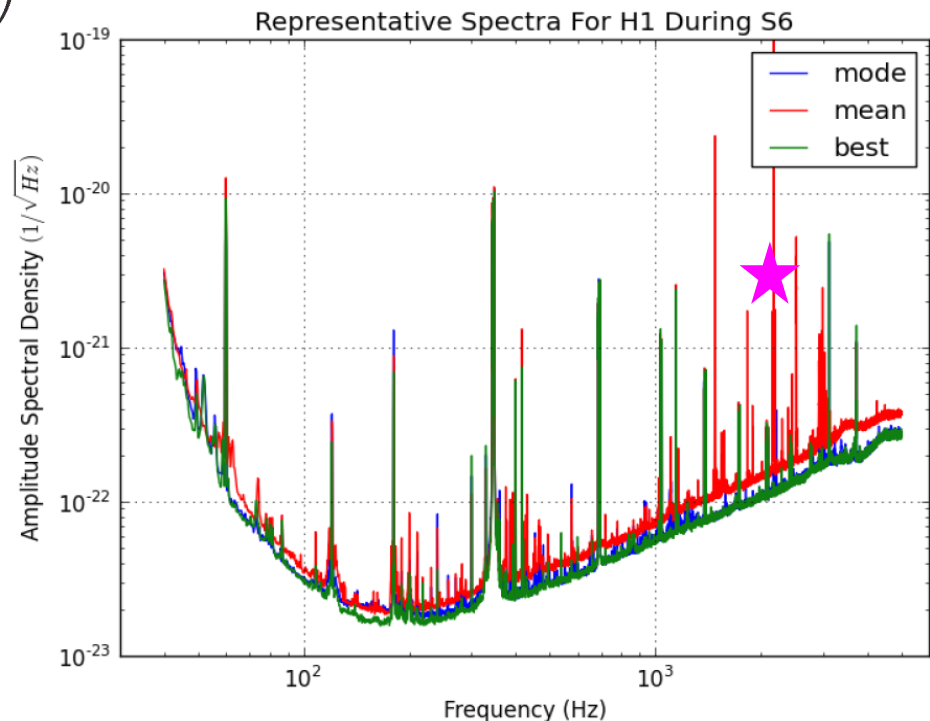
$$h \sim 10^{-22} \quad (l = 1, \alpha_g = 0.5)$$

$$\nu \approx \mu/\pi \sim 2 \times 10^3 \text{Hz}$$

if $T\Delta\omega < 1$, then

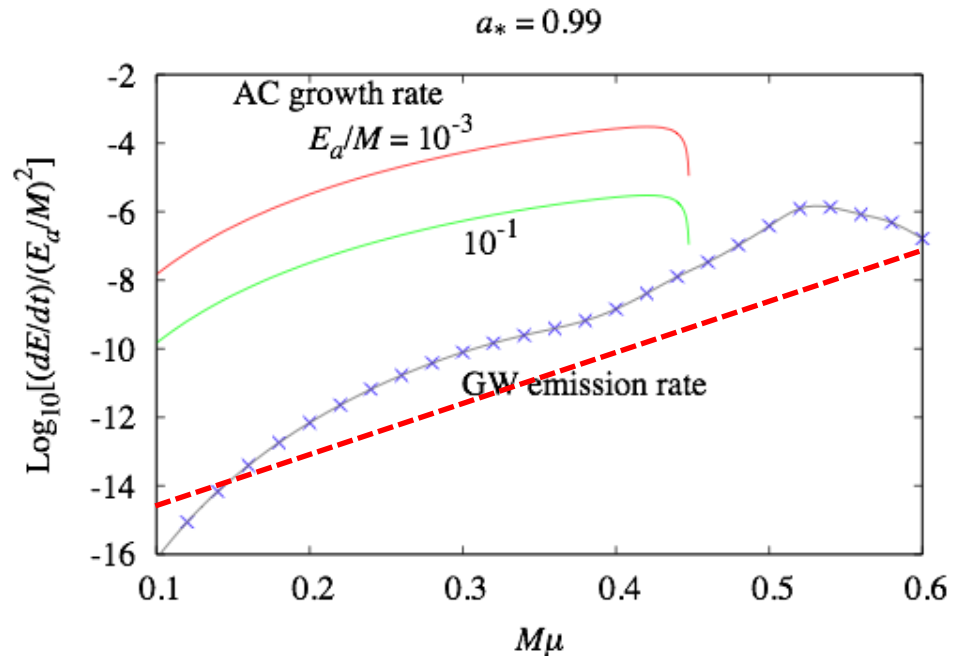
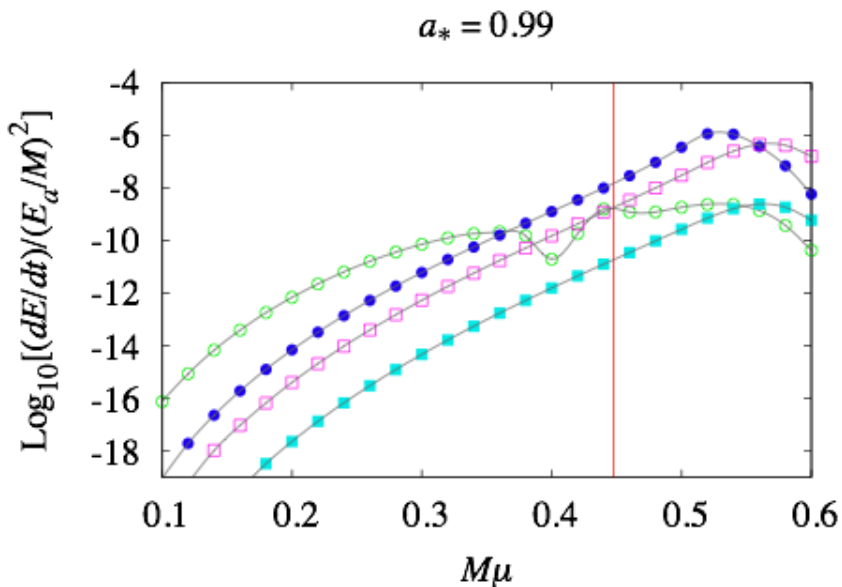
$$h\sqrt{T} \approx 3 \times 10^{-21} \text{Hz}^{-1/2}$$

LIGO sensitivity (2012)



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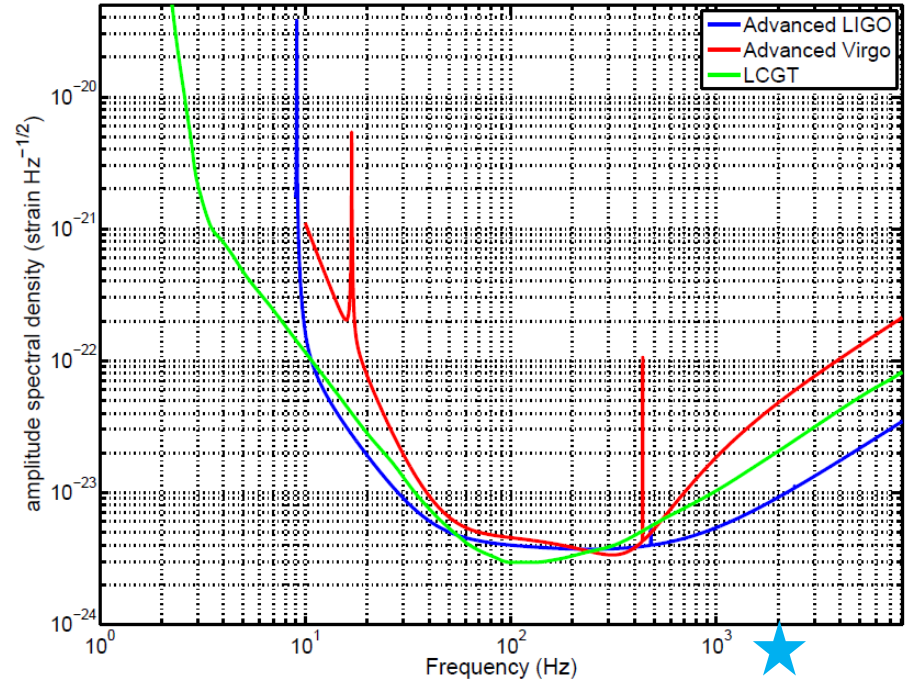
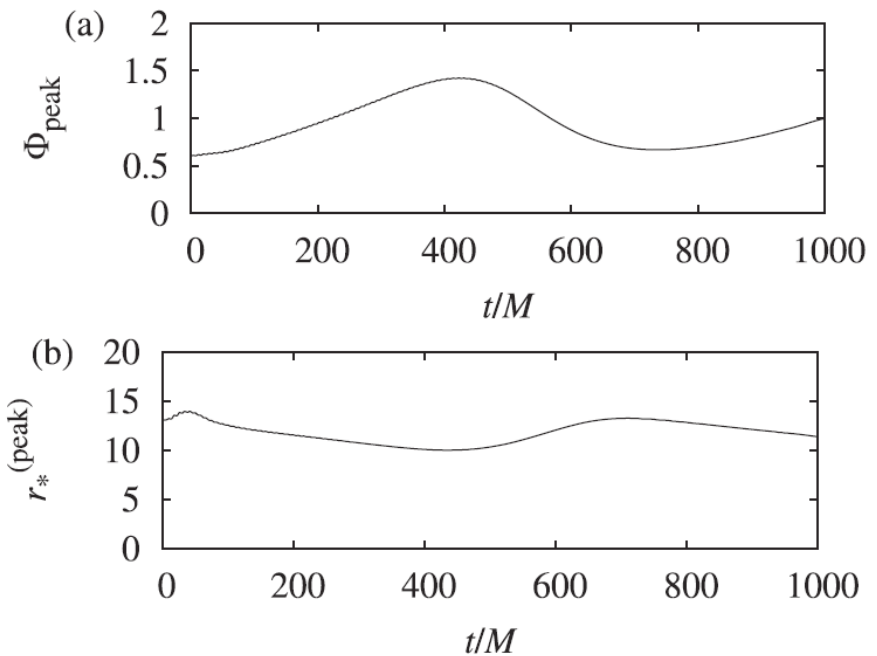
Caveat

- When the axion cloud grows, nonlinear effects become important and produce modulations with intermediate periods.
- This modulation produces a frequency dispersion

$$\Delta\nu \sim \frac{1}{\Delta T} \sim \frac{1}{1000M} \sim \frac{10^4}{T}$$

➔ $\frac{h\sqrt{T}}{T\Delta\nu} \sim 3 \times 10^{-25} \text{ Hz}^{-1/2}$

- This difficulty will be resolved by the matched filtering to simulations.

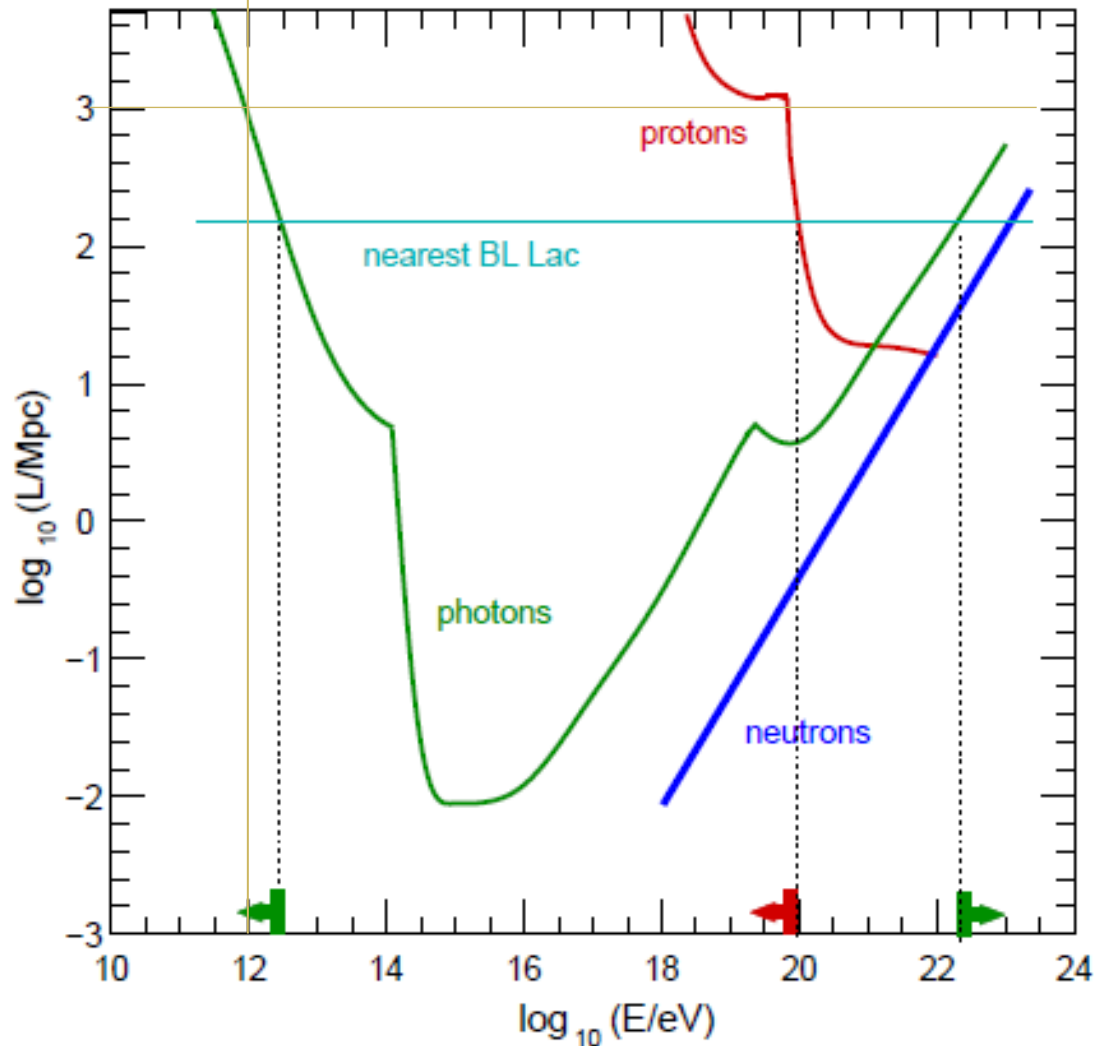


Gamma Ray Astropysics vs CIRB

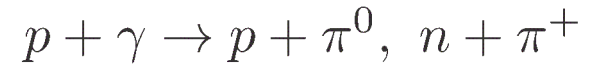


Gamma-Ray Horizon

Optical depth against CBR

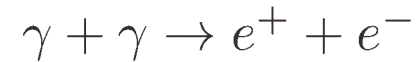


GZK cut-off



$$E_p \gtrsim 10^{20} \text{eV}$$

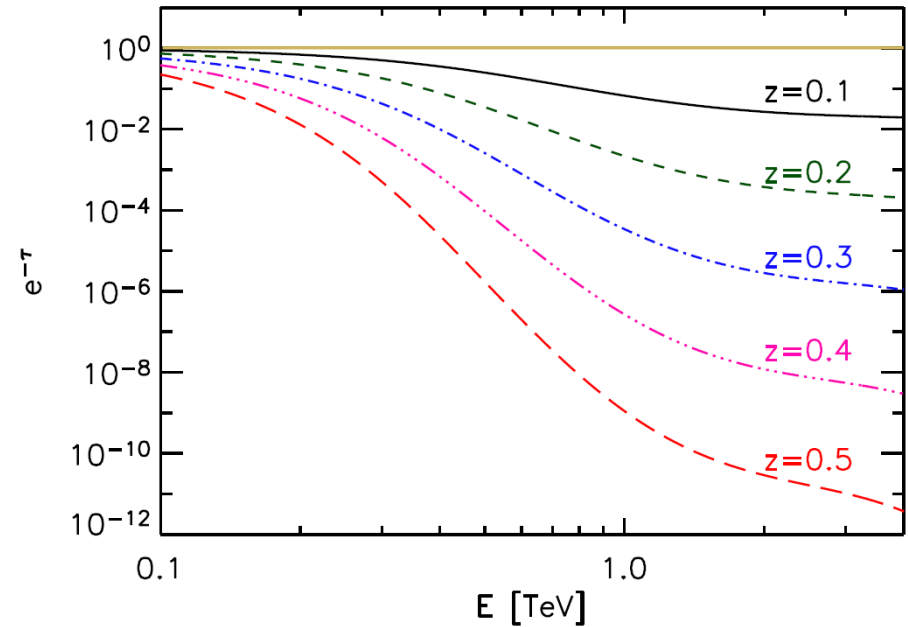
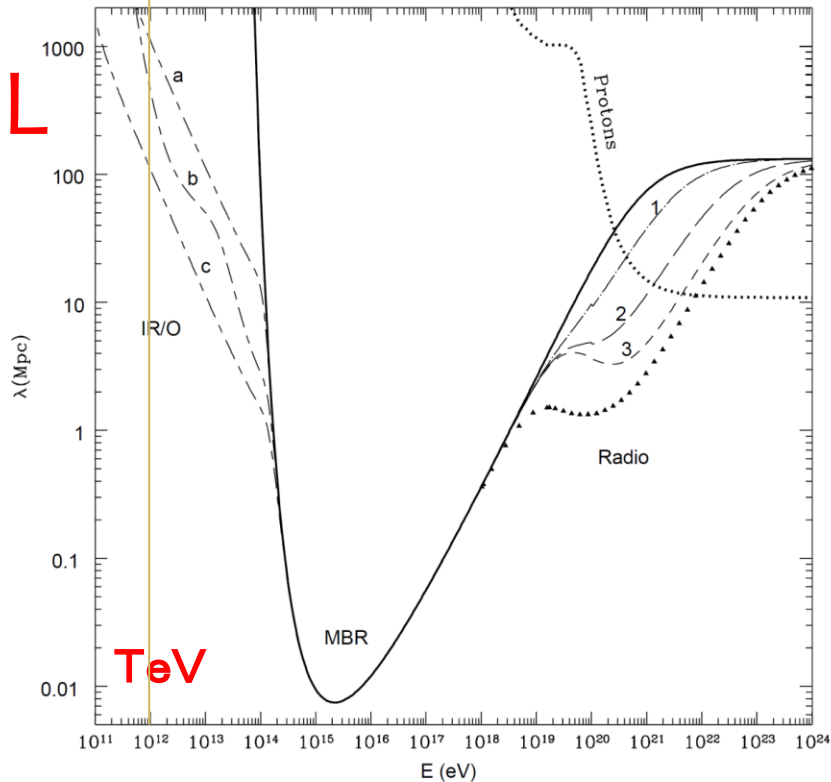
γ - γ opacity



$$\omega_{\text{HE}\gamma} \geq \frac{2.5 \times 10^{11} \text{eV}^2}{\omega_{\text{BG}\gamma}}$$

Fairbairn, Rashba, Troitsky:
PRD84, 25019 (2011);
Roncadelli, de Angelis,
Mansutti 2009

Deformation of the Gamma Ray Spectrum



M Simet, D Hooper, PD Serpico:
PRD 77, 063001 (2008)

PS Coppi and AF Aharonian:
ApJ 487, L9 (1997).

$$a : \epsilon^2 n(\epsilon, 0) = 10^{-3} \text{eV/cm}^3$$

$$c : \epsilon^2 n(\epsilon, 0) = 10^{-2} \text{eV/cm}^3$$

$$\text{Cf. } \rho_{\text{CMB}} = 0.26 \text{ eV/cm}^3$$

$$z=0.1 \Leftrightarrow L \simeq 430 \text{ Mpc}$$

Observation of EBL absorption in the spectra of AGNs

- HESS observation: power-law fitting

 - Two blazars with strong absorption were observed.

- Fermi-LAT observation: power-law fitting

 - [Ackermann et al (Fermi Coll): Science 338, 1190 (2012)]

 - The spectral deformation due to absorption has been observed for 150 blazars of BL Lac type.

 - ($z=0.03 - 1.6$, $E= 40\text{GeV} - 100 \text{ GeV}$)

- Multi-frequency observation: synchrotron/SSC model

 - [Dominguez et al: apj770, 88 (2013)]

 - Opacity around a TeV range is determined by observations of 15 blazars from radio to Gamma-ray (Fermi-LAT & IACTs).

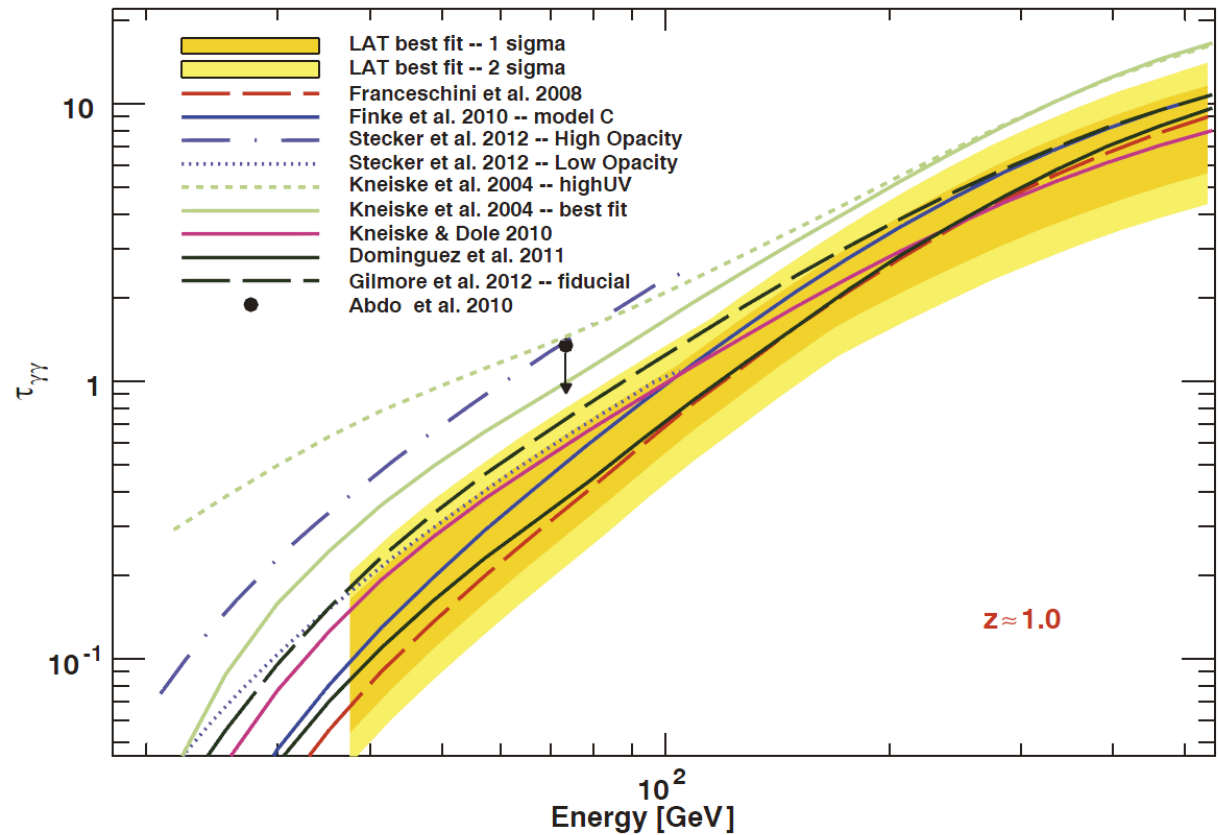
 - The opacity is consistent with the minimum EBL model.

 - ($z=0.031 - 0.5$, $E=200 \text{ GeV} - 10 \text{ TeV}$)

Detection of the Absorption by Fermi

Sample: 150 blazars of BL Lac type ($z=0.03$ -1.6, $E= 40\text{GeV} - 100 \text{ GeV}$)

Fig. 1. Measurement, at the 68 and 95% confidence levels (including systematic uncertainties added in quadrature), of the opacity $\tau_{\gamma\gamma}$ from the best fits to the Fermi data compared with predictions of EBL models. The plot shows the measurement at $z \approx 1$, which is the average redshift of the most constraining redshift interval (i.e., $0.5 \leq z < 1.6$). The Fermi-LAT measurement was derived combining the limits on the best-fit EBL models. The downward arrow represents the 95% upper limit on the opacity at $z = 1.05$ derived in (13). For clarity, this figure shows only a selection of the models we tested; the full list is reported in table S1. The EBL models of (49), which are not defined for $E \geq 250/(1+z)$ GeV and thus could not be used, are reported here for completeness.

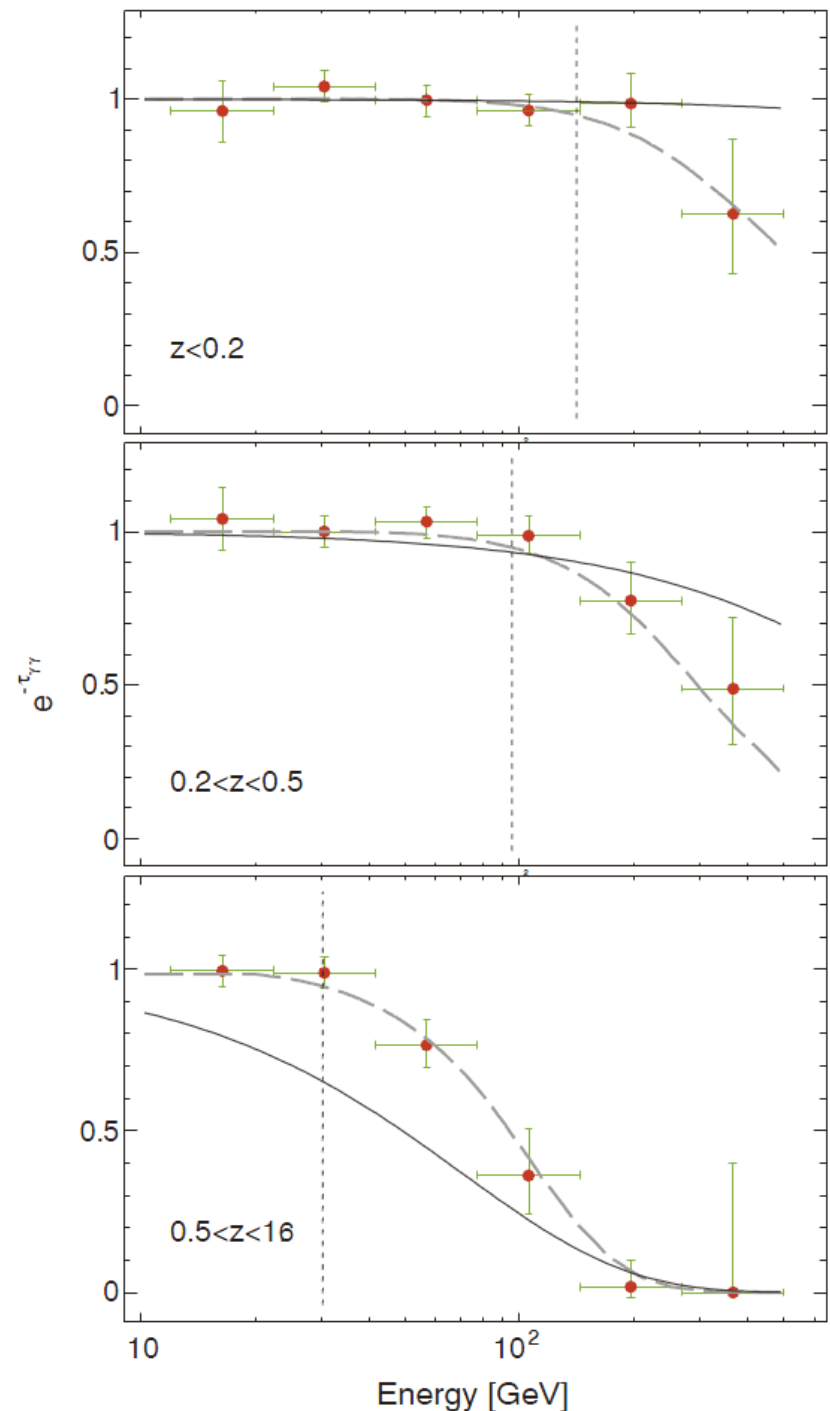


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Rejection of the intrinsic origin

Fig. 2. Absorption feature present in the spectra of BL Lac objects as a function of increasing redshift (data points, from top to bottom). The dashed curves show the attenuation expected for the sample of sources by averaging, in each redshift and energy bin, the opacities of the sample [the model of (7) was used] and multiplying this average by the best-fit scaling parameter b obtained independently in each redshift interval. The vertical line shows the critical energy E_{crit} below which $\leq 5\%$ of the source photons are absorbed by the EBL. The thin solid curve represents the best-fit model, assuming that all the sources have an intrinsic exponential cutoff and that blazars follow the blazar sequence model of (32, 33).

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Observed CGRH : $E_0(z)$

Dominguez et al: apj770, 88 (2013)

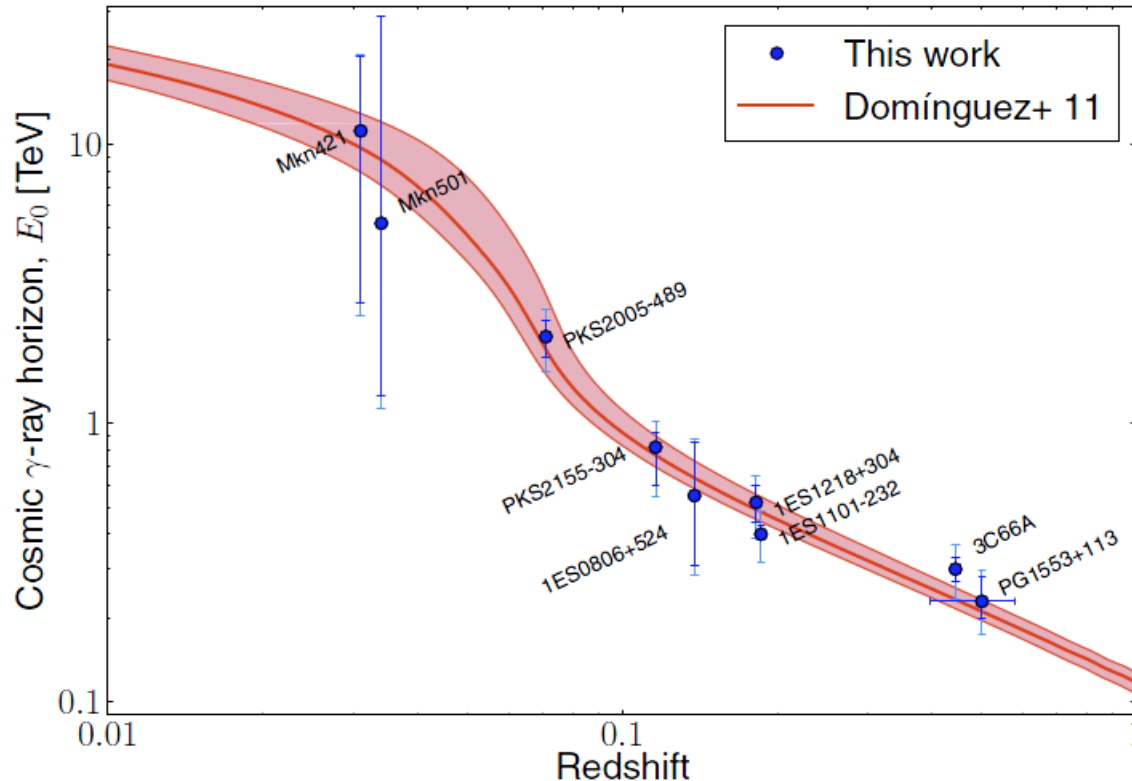
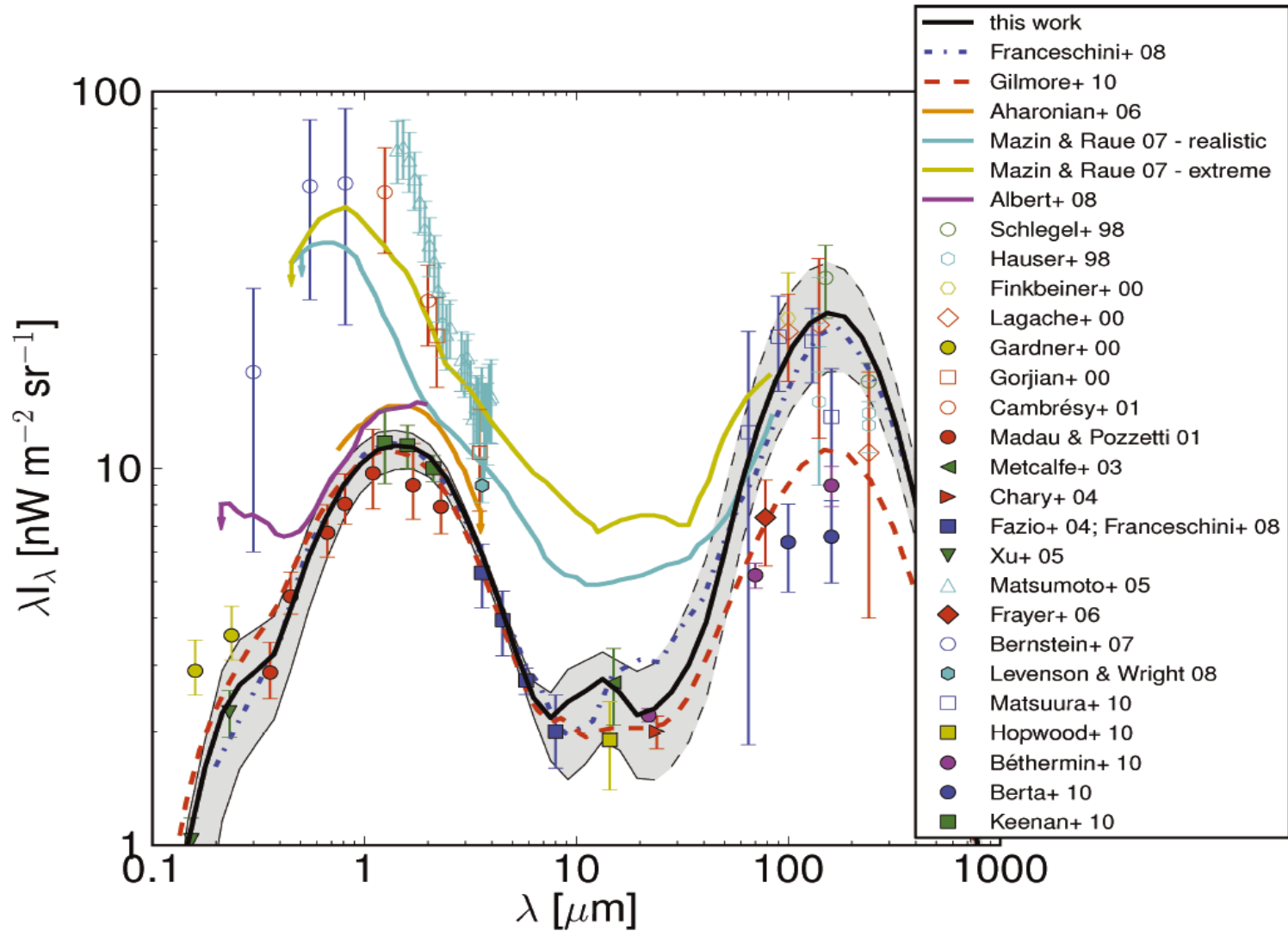
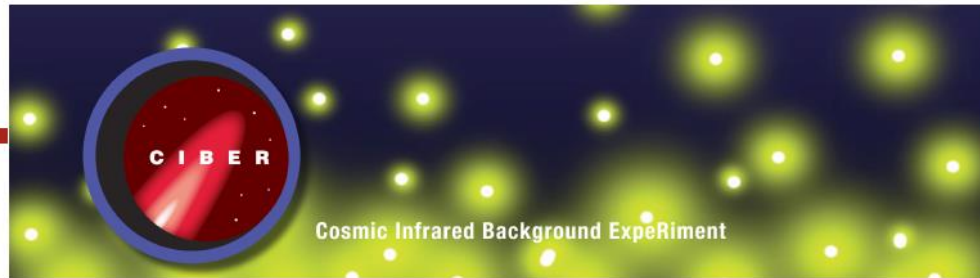


Figure 2. Estimation of the CGRH from every blazar in our sample plotted with blue circles. The statistical uncertainties are shown with darker blue lines and the statistical plus 20% of systematic uncertainties are shown with lighter blue lines. The CGRH calculated from the EBL model described in Domínguez et al. (2011a) is plotted with a red thick line. The shaded regions show the uncertainties from the EBL modeling, which were derived from observed data.

EBL models and measurements





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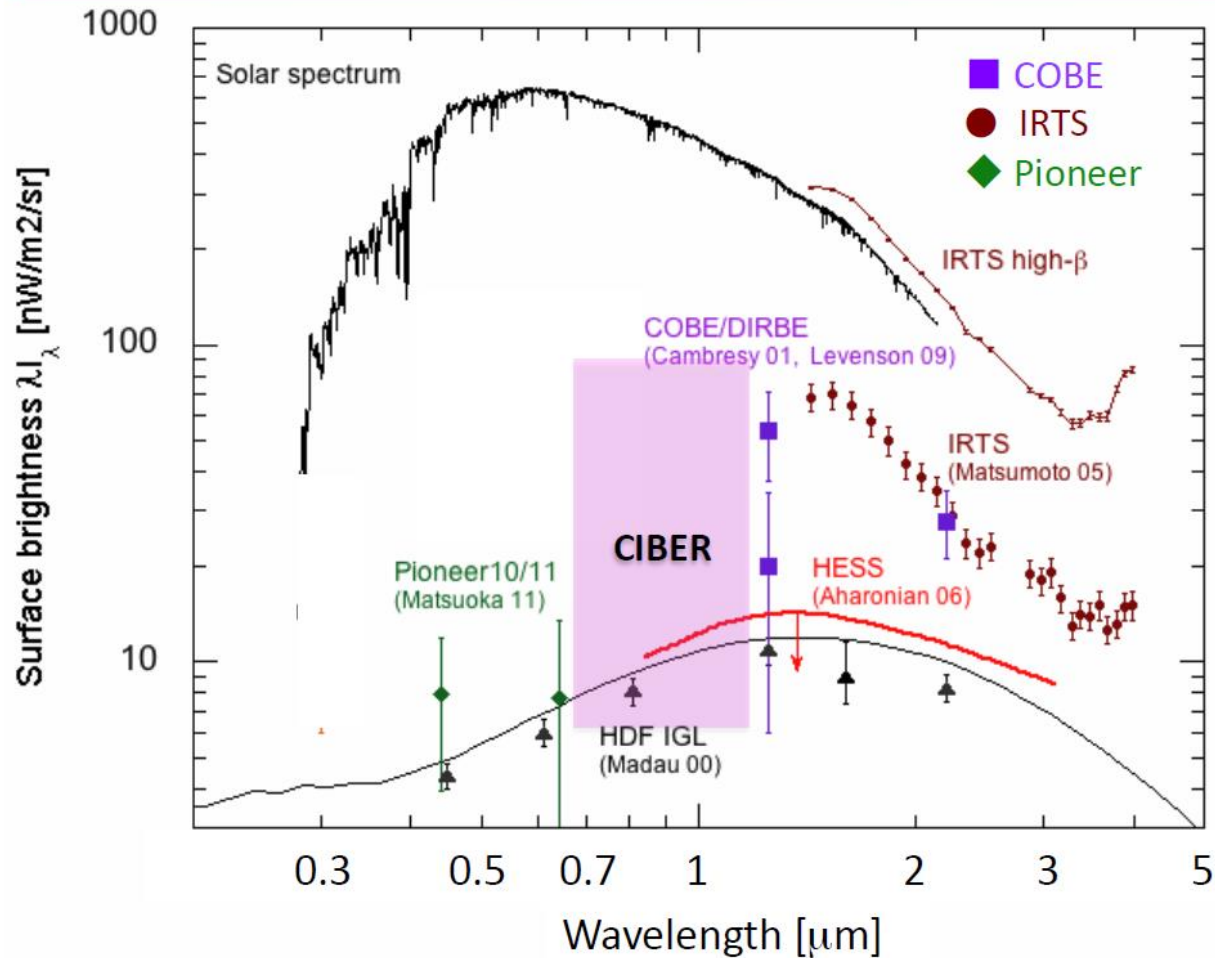


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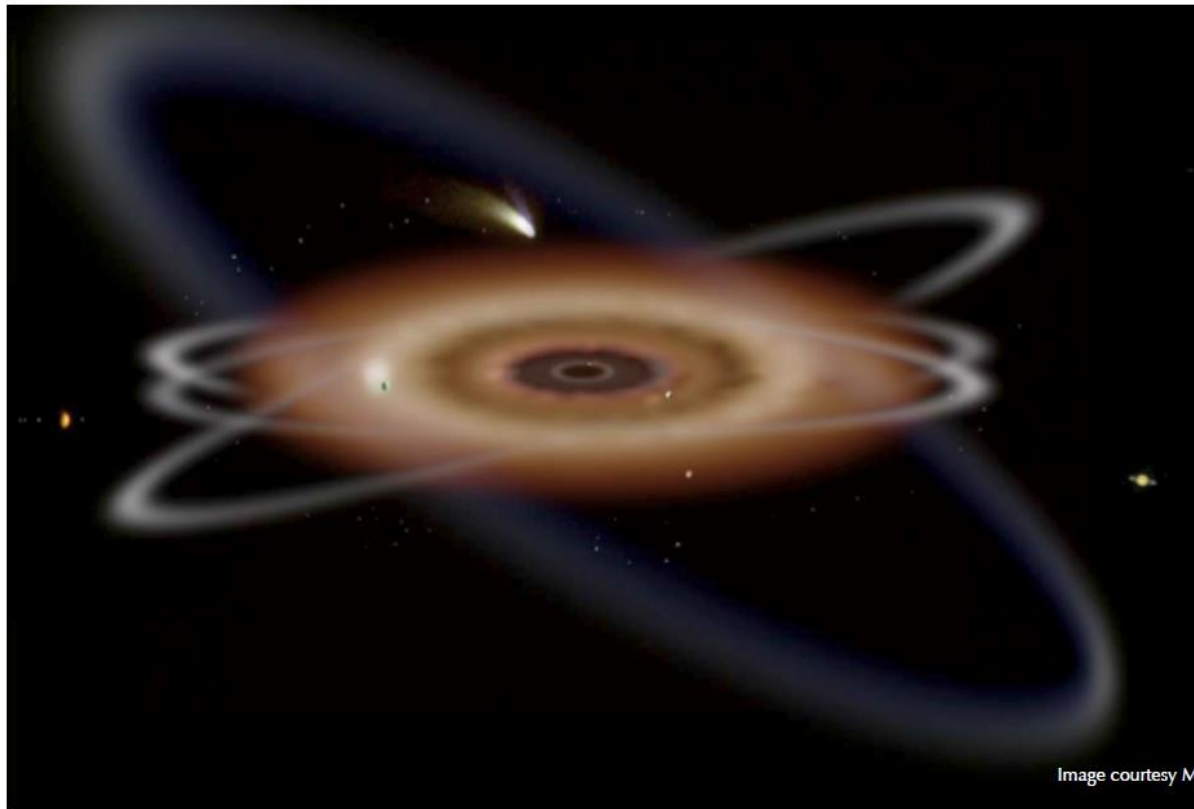
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Observational limits on the NIR background



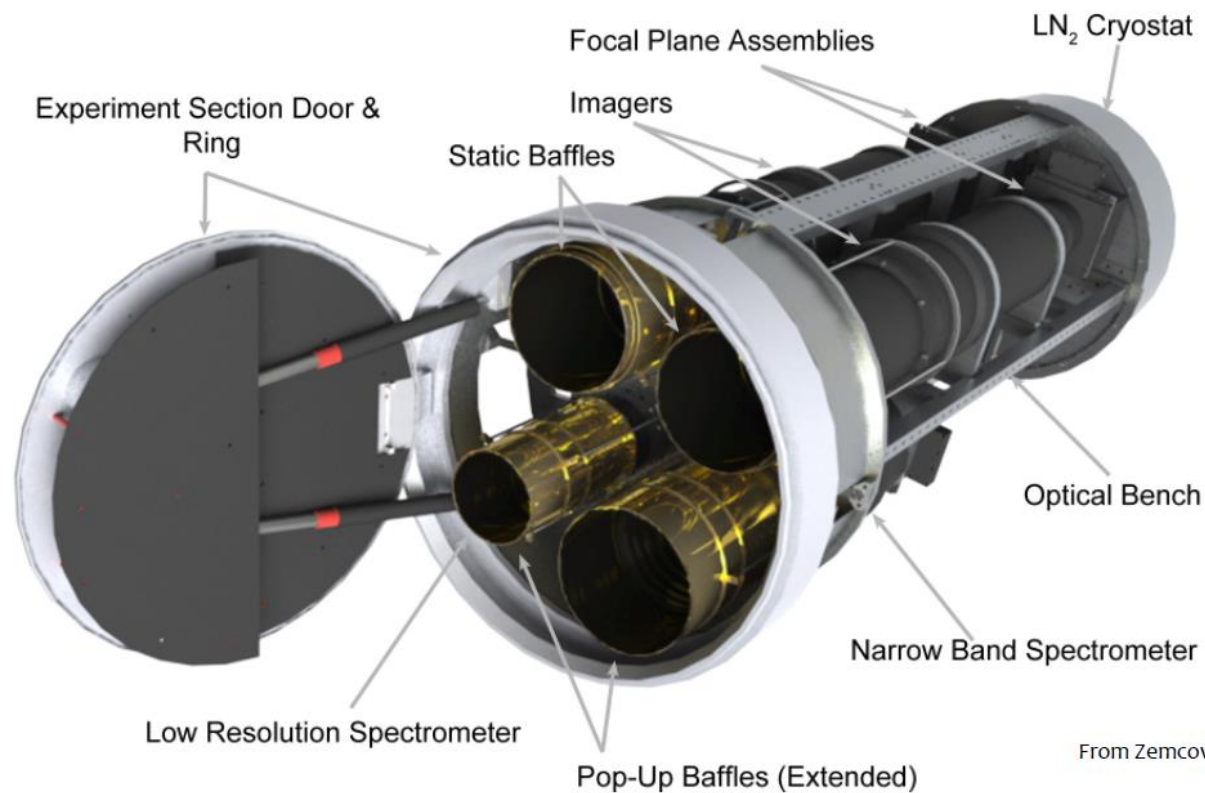
Zodiacal Light

- Scattered sun light by interplanetary dust
- Strong ecliptic latitude dependence



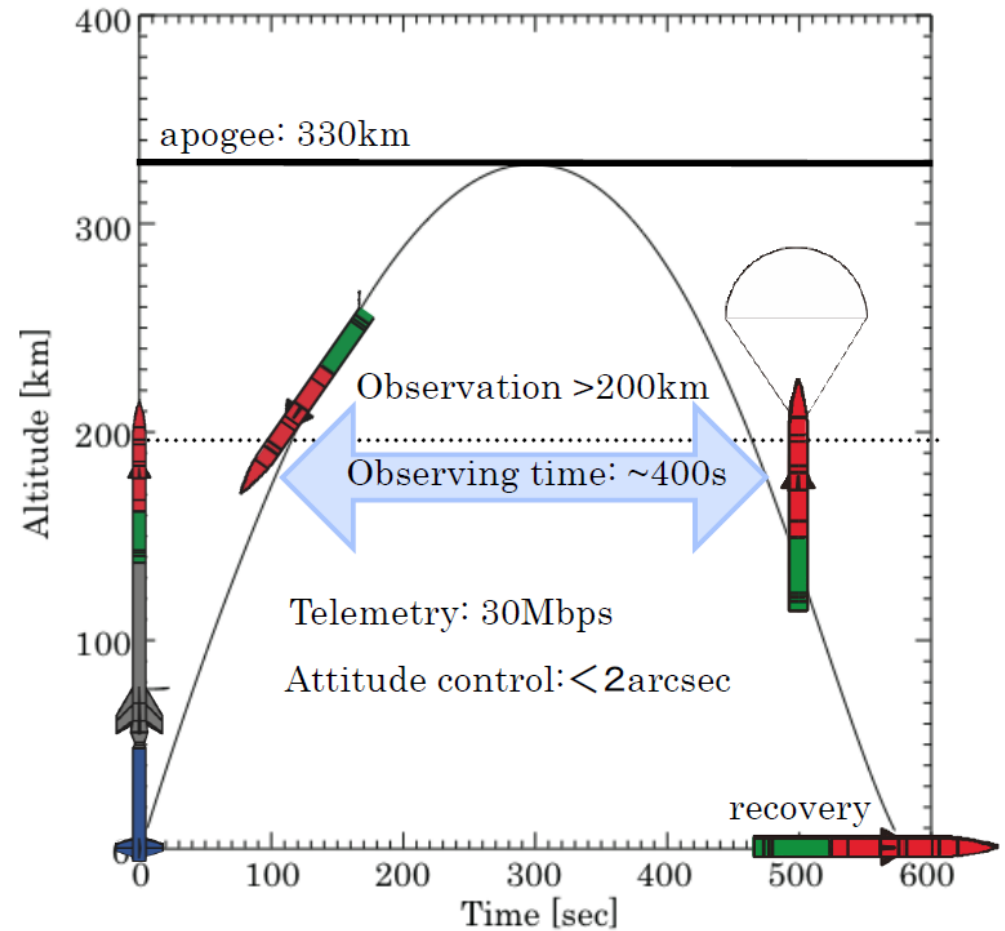
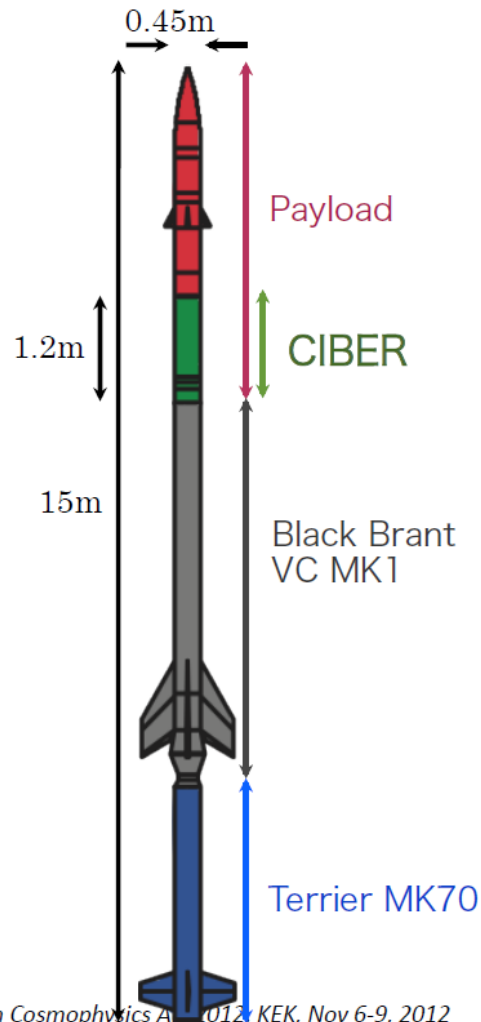


The Cosmic Infrared Background Experiment (CIBER)





Launch vehicle & orbit



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Rocket experiment CIBER



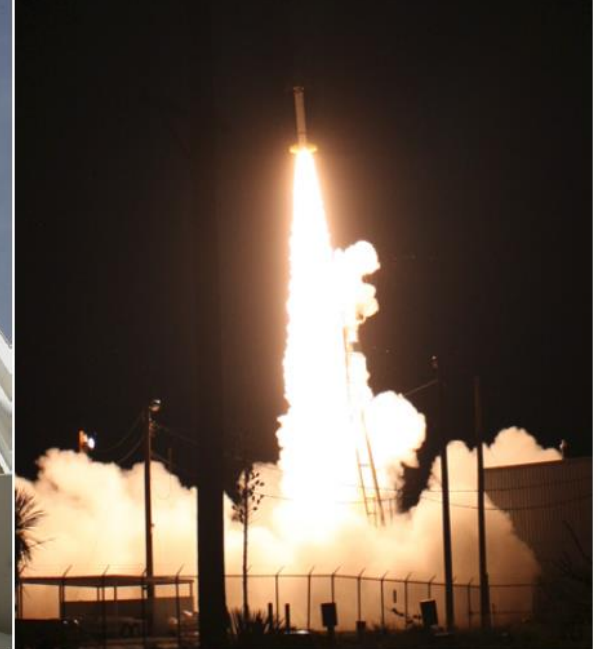
- We have already flown CIBER three times.
(Feb 2009, Jul 2010 and Mar 2012)
- All flights were successful.
- Analyzing the data.

NASA Sounding Rocket
for CIBER



Black Brant VC MK1
+ Terrier MK70

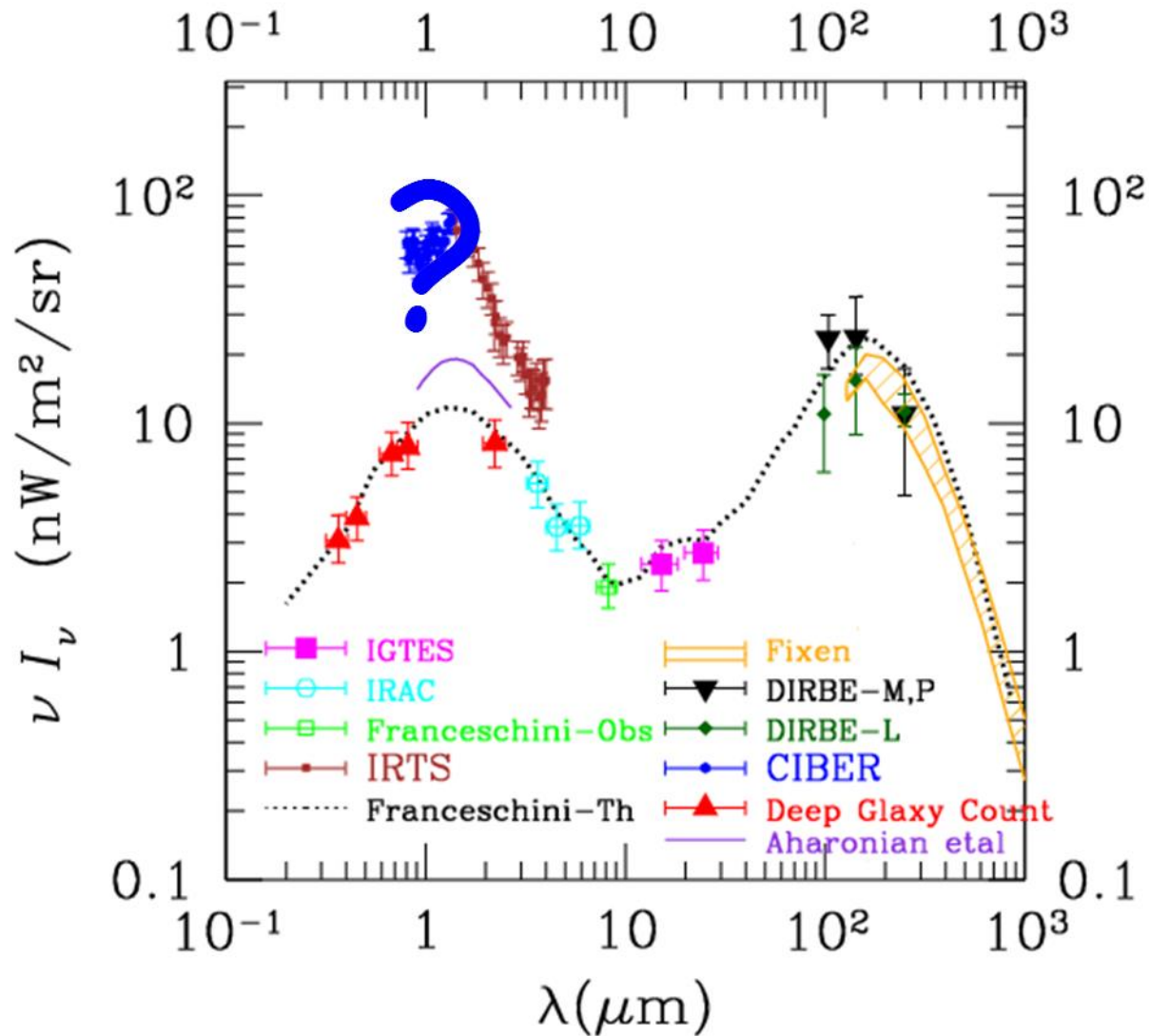
CIBER launch at WSMR
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New measurements of CIRB by the rocket experiment CIBER





Making the Universe Transparent by Axions

Axion-Photon Conversion

- Chern-Simons coupling of axion with EM fields

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2}(\partial a)^2 - \frac{1}{2}m_a^2 a^2 - \frac{1}{2}F \cdot F - \frac{1}{2}g_{a\gamma} a F \cdot *F$$



$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}|\dot{a}|^2 - \frac{1}{2}\omega_a^2|a|^2 + \frac{1}{2}|\dot{\mathbf{A}}|^2 - \frac{1}{2}|\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{A}|^2 - g_{a\gamma} a \mathbf{B}_0 \cdot \dot{\mathbf{A}}$$

- Wave equations in plasma

$$\epsilon \partial_t^2 \mathbf{E} = c^2 \mathbf{k} \times (\mu^{-1} \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{E}) - \frac{\omega_p^2 \omega^2}{\omega^2 - \omega_g^2} \mathbf{E} - g_{a\gamma} \omega^2 a \mathbf{B}_0$$

$$+ \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2 - \omega_g^2} \{ i\omega\omega_g \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{b} + \omega_g^2 (\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{b}) \mathbf{b} \},$$

$$\partial_t^2 a = -\omega_a^2 a + g_{a\gamma} \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}_0.$$

where

$$\omega_g = \frac{eB_0}{cm_e}, \quad \omega_p^2 = \frac{4\pi n_e e^2}{m_e}.$$

- High frequency limit

When a wave propagates nearly at the speed of light, we have

$$\partial_t X \approx -\partial_z X \approx -ikX$$



$$(\partial_t^2 - \partial_z^2)X(t, z) = (\partial_t - \partial_z)(\partial_t + \partial_z)X \simeq -2ik(\partial_t + \partial_z)X = -2ik \frac{dX}{dz}$$

Hence, the wave equations can be approximated by a first-order system of ODEs as

$$\left(-i \frac{d}{dz} - \mathcal{M} \right) \begin{pmatrix} A_{\perp} \\ A_{//} \\ a \end{pmatrix} = 0; \quad \mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta_{\perp} & \Delta_R & 0 \\ \Delta_R & \Delta_{//} & \Delta_B \\ 0 & \Delta_B & \Delta_a \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$\Delta_{\perp} = \Delta_{\text{pl}} + \Delta_{\text{CM}}^{\perp}, \quad \Delta_{//} = \Delta_{\text{pl}} + \Delta_{\text{CM}}^{//}, \quad \Delta_{\text{pl}} = \omega_{\text{pl}}^2 / (2E)$$

$$\Delta_B = g_{a\gamma} B / 2, \quad \Delta_a \simeq m_a^2 / (2E)$$

● Mass eigenvalues

Neglecting the Faraday rotation, the mass matrix can be diagonalised as

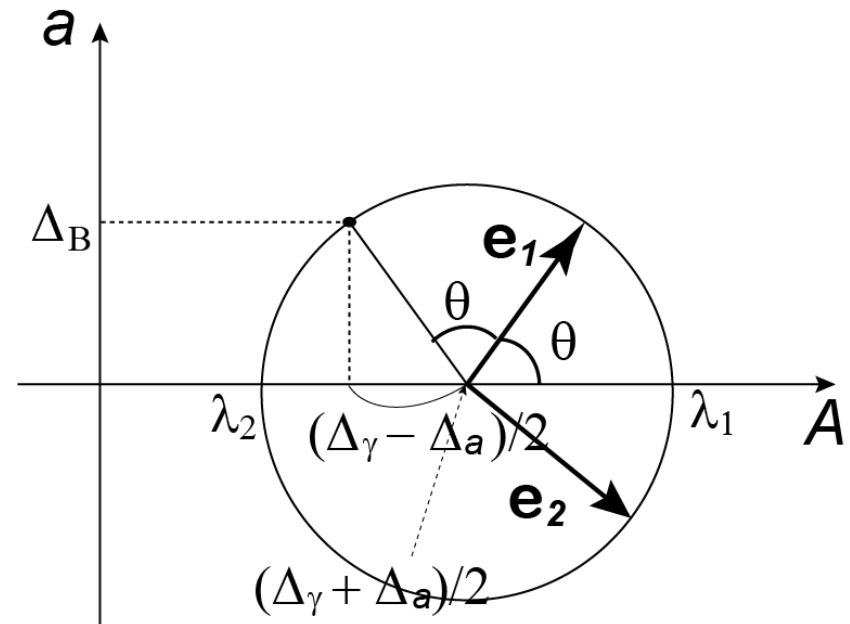
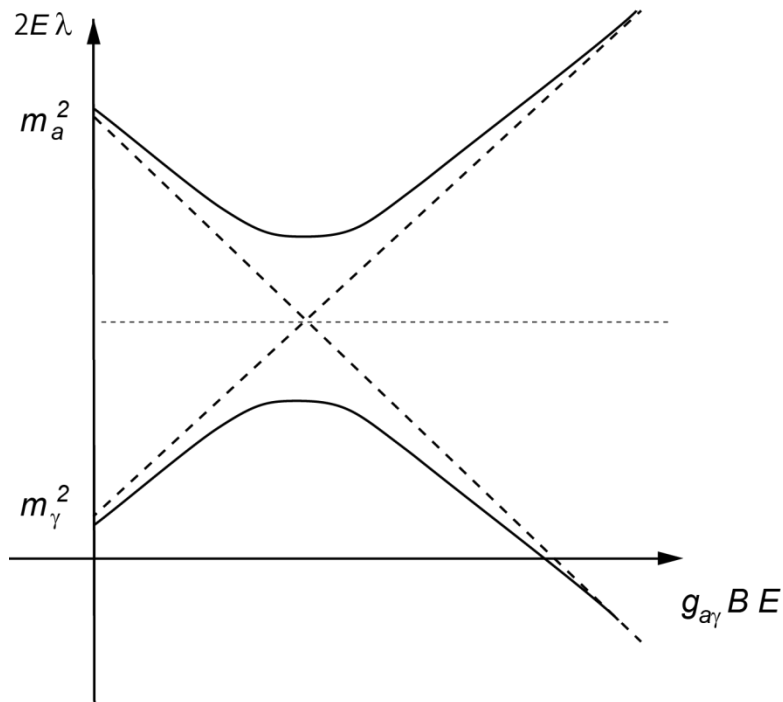
$$\begin{pmatrix} \Delta_\gamma & \Delta_B \\ \Delta_B & \Delta_a \end{pmatrix} = R(\theta) [\lambda_1, \lambda_2] R(-\theta) :$$

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \Delta_\gamma + \Delta_a,$$

$$(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2) \cos(2\theta) = \Delta_\gamma - \Delta_a,$$

$$(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2) \sin(2\theta) = 2\Delta_B.$$

➔ $\lambda = \frac{1}{2} \{ \Delta_\gamma + \Delta_a \pm \Delta_{\text{osc}} \}; \quad \Delta_{\text{osc}}^2 = (\Delta_\gamma - \Delta_a)^2 + 4\Delta_B^2$



- Non-resonant transition

Neglecting the change of $\theta, \lambda_1, \lambda_2$, the solution is

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_{//}(z) \\ a(z) \end{pmatrix} = R(\theta) \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\lambda_1 z} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\lambda_2 z} \end{pmatrix} R(-\theta) \begin{pmatrix} A_{//}(0) \\ a(0) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Hence, the conversion rate is

$$P_{\gamma \rightarrow a} = P_0 := \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2 \frac{s \Delta_{\text{osc}}}{2} = \frac{4\Delta_B^2}{\Delta_{\text{osc}}^2} \sin^2 \frac{s \Delta_{\text{osc}}}{2}$$

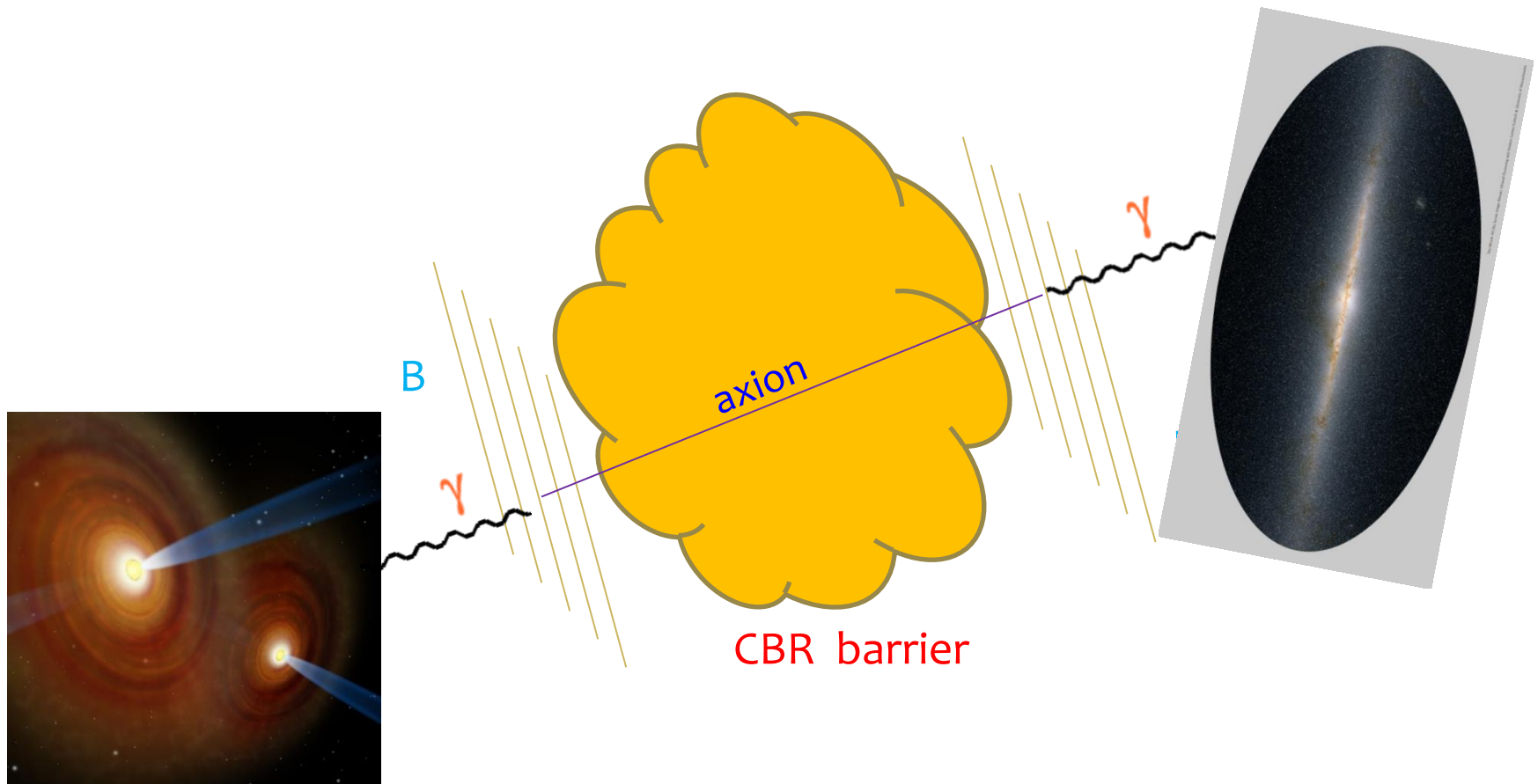
where

$$\Delta_{\text{osc}}^2 = (\Delta_{\text{CM}} + \Delta_{\text{pl}} - \Delta_a)^2 + 4\Delta_B^2.$$

- Resonant transition (non-uniform case)

$$2\pi|\Delta'_{\text{pl}} + \Delta'_{\text{CM}}| \lesssim \Delta_B^2 \Rightarrow P_{\gamma \rightarrow a} = \mathcal{O}(1)$$

VHE gamma rays from AGNs can penetrate the CBR barrier



Conditions for Strong Conversion

- Conversion rate

$$P_0 = \frac{1}{1 + (E_*/E)^2} \sin^2 \left(g_{a\gamma} B \left[1 + (E_*/E)^2 \right]^{1/2} \frac{L}{2} \right),$$
$$E_* := \frac{|m_a^2 - m_\gamma^2|}{2g_{a\gamma} B} \simeq 0.7 \frac{|m_a^2 - m_\gamma^2|}{(10^{-7} \text{eV})^2} \left(\frac{10 \mu\text{G}}{B} \right) \left(\frac{g_{a\gamma}^{-1}}{10^{11} \text{GeV}} \right) \text{TeV}$$

- Condition 1: Near resonance

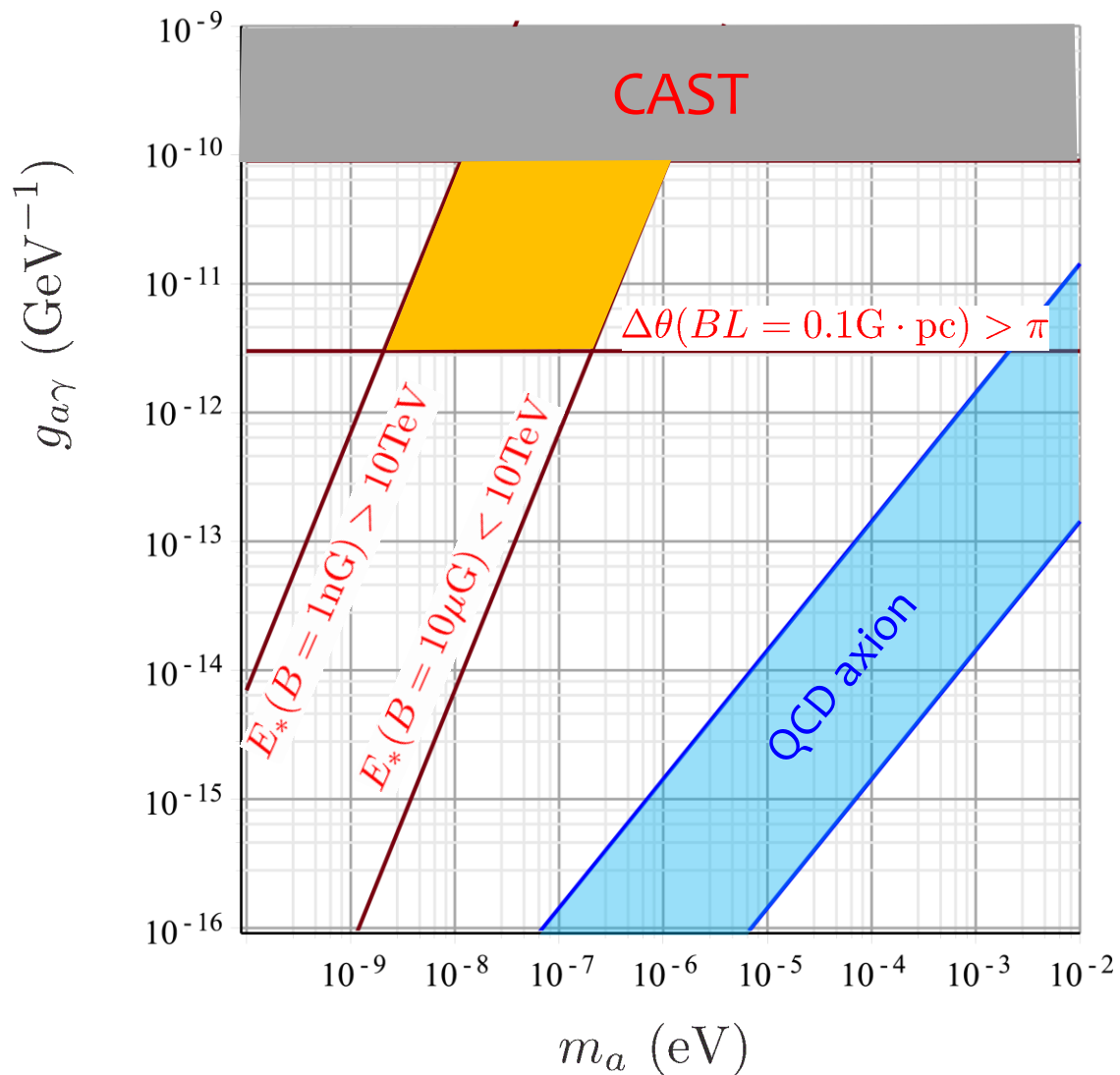
$$E \gtrsim E_* \Rightarrow g_{a\gamma} \cdot 10^{11} \text{GeV} \gtrsim 0.7 \left(\frac{m_a}{10^{-7} \text{eV}} \right)^2 \frac{1}{B_{10\mu\text{G}} E_{\text{TeV}}}$$

- Condition 2: Sufficient oscillations

$$g_{a\gamma} B L \gtrsim \pi \Rightarrow g_{a\gamma} \cdot 10^{11} \text{GeV} \gtrsim 0.3 \frac{1}{B_{10\mu\text{G}} L_{10\text{kpc}}}$$

Axion solution

Kohri K, Kodama H, Ioka K: in preparation



Summary

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- Axionic Superradiance Instability

- Superradiance instability produces recurrent phenomena of a linear growth of an axionic cloud around a rotating BH that is terminated and reset by bose nova collapse, if the axion mass m_a and the BH mass M satisfy the condition $GMm_a = O(1)$.
- GW emissions from these phenomena can be detected by the ongoing and planned GW interferometers such as LIGO, KAGRA and the advanced LIGO, if they happen inside our galaxy.
- Even null detection of GWs by these experiments can exclude axions with mass around 10^{-10} eV.

- Gamma Ray Astrophysics

- Blazar observations by FERMI-LAT and IACTs are quite inconsistent with the flux of CIRB measured by CIBER.
- In order to resolve this inconsistency by axion, its mass and coupling are strongly constrained: $m_a = 10^{-9} \sim 10^{-6}$ eV, $g_{a\gamma} = 10^{-11} \sim 10^{-10}$ GeV⁻¹