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Colliding light, tau $g - 2$, & broadband axion detection

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Today: two groundbreaking Letters

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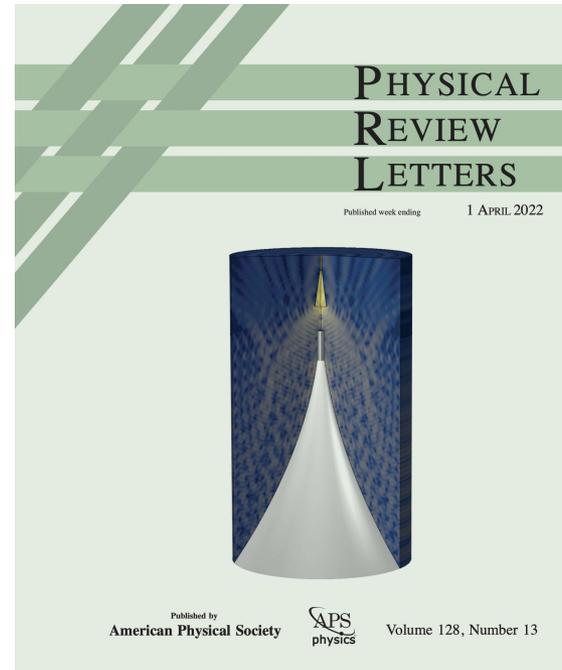
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Colliding light for tau $g - 2$ Pioneer heavy-ion probe of new physics via precision

ATLAS (JL Editor) [2204.13478](#), Accepted PRL



BREAD: new axion detector meV dark matter observatory using quantum sensors

JL, Dona et al [2111.12103](#) (PRL, On the Cover)

PROLOGUE

A TALE OF TRANSFORMATIVE DISCOVERY SCIENCE

Discovery as new probe

Spectacular predictivity

Paradigm shift

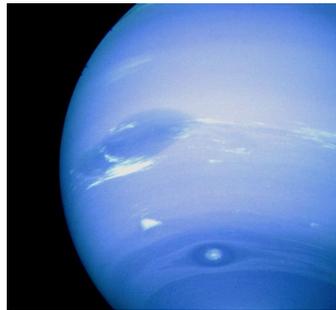


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Uranus

Herschel 1781

Planet never seen before
Measure for 65 years

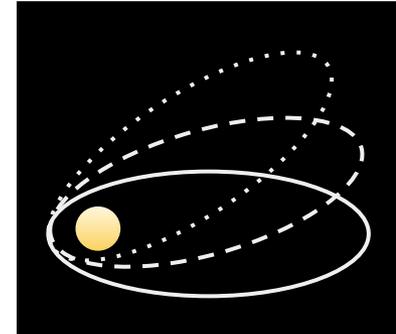


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Neptune

Le Verrier, Galle, d'Arrest 1846

Discover on same night
Within 1° of prediction



General Relativity

Le Verrier 1859, Einstein 1915

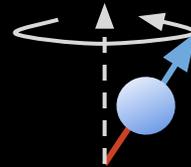
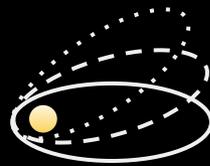
43 arcseconds/century anomaly
Null search for Planet Vulcan

LESSON

Precision measurements revolutionise science

GR: SPACETIME IS DYNAMICAL

*Discover new planets: unchanged physical laws
But planet known since antiquity transformative*



QFT: VACUUM IS DYNAMICAL

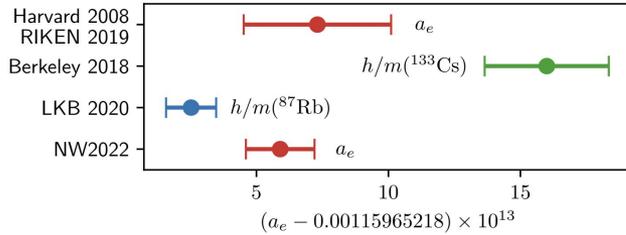
*Per mille precession of electron: no new particles
But groundbreaking evidence of physical loops*

The ordinary harboured extraordinary surprises

Persistent widespread indirect evidence for new physics

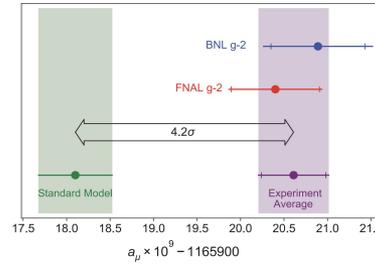
Electron $g - 2$ (2.5σ)

[Science 2018]



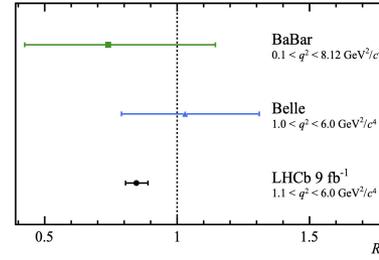
Muon $g - 2$ (4.2σ)

[PRL 2021]



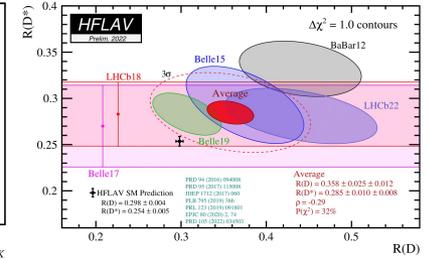
$B \rightarrow K\ell\ell$ (3.1σ)

[Nat Phys 2022]



$B \rightarrow D\tau\nu$ (3.2σ)

[HFLAV 2022]

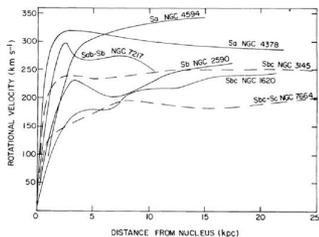


LEPTON ANOMALIES \uparrow

Involves $e/\mu/\tau$ across different labs
Indirect evidence of new particles

\downarrow DARK MATTER

Sub-galactic to cosmological scales
Indirect evidence for particle nature



Galaxy rotation

[ApJ 1978]



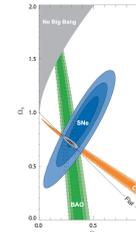
Lensing

[ESA/Hubble & NASA]



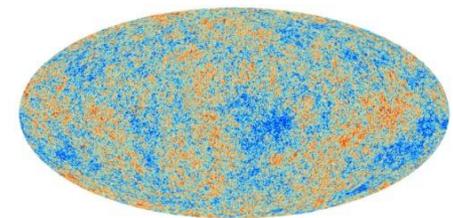
Bullet cluster

[NASA/CXC/CfA/STScI/ESO WFI]



BAO

[ApJ 2008]



CMB

[ESA/Planck]

April 2021: $g - 2$ recaptures international attention

The New York Times

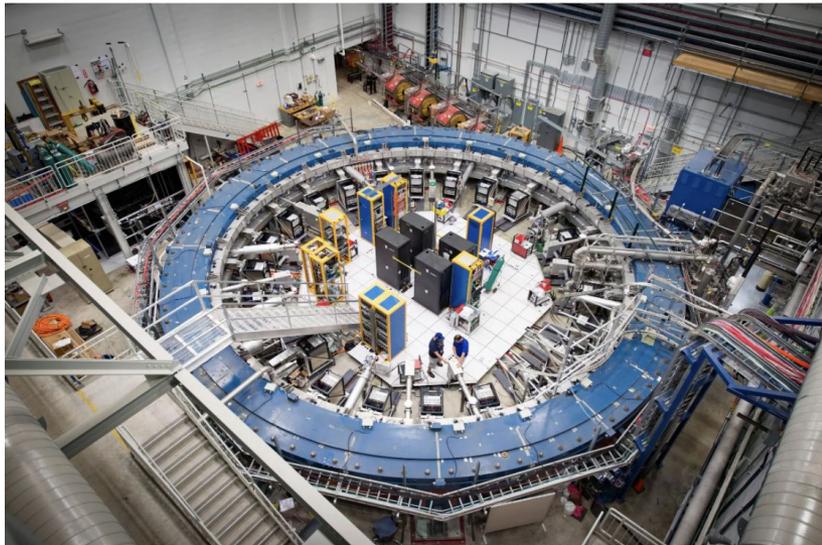
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A Tiny Particle's Wobble Could Upend the Known Laws of Physics

Experiments with particles known as muons suggest that there are forms of matter and energy vital to the nature and evolution of the cosmos that are not yet known to science.

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The Muon $g-2$ ring, at the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory in Batavia, Ill., operates at minus 450 degrees Fahrenheit and studies the wobble of muons as they travel through the magnetic field. Reidar Hahn/Fermilab, via U.S. Department of Energy

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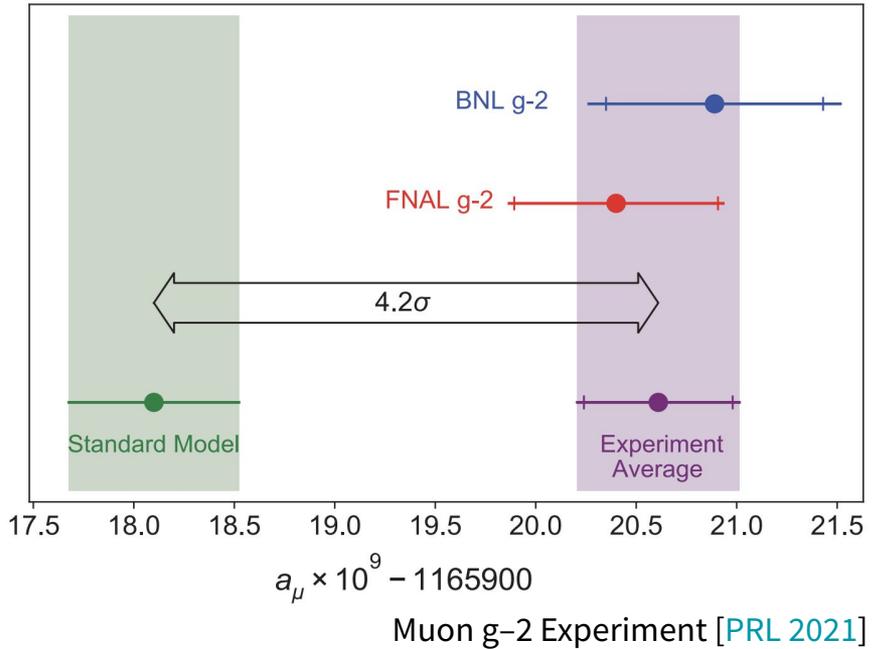
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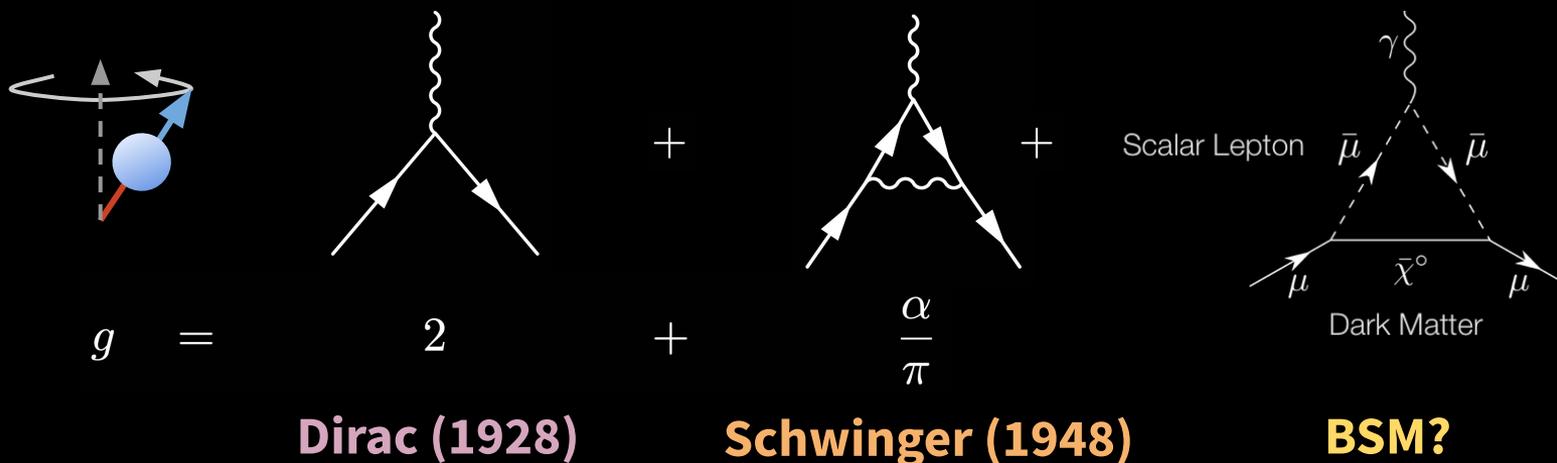
Is the standard model broken? Physicists cheer major muon result

The muon's magnetic moment is larger than expected – a hint that new elementary particles are waiting to be discovered.



$g - 2$: foundational test of QFT

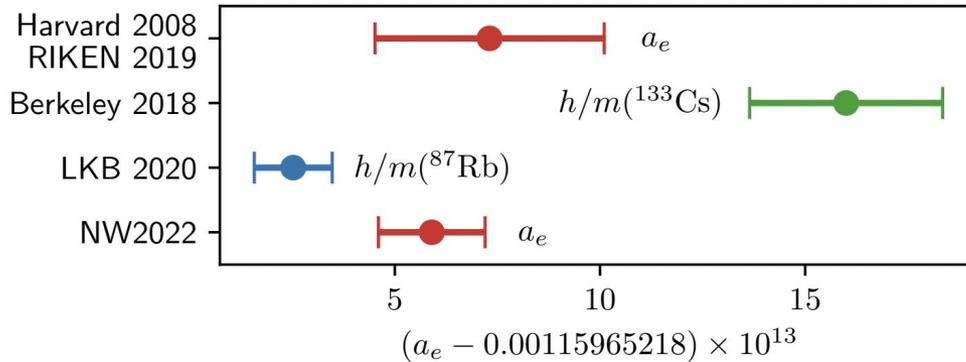
“How does light interact with matter?”



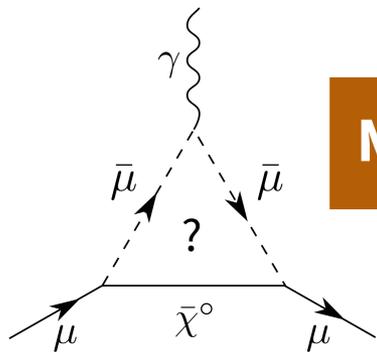
$$\mu_f \cdot \mathbf{B} = \frac{g_f e}{2m_f} \mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{B}$$



Today: cracks at the heart of Standard Model?



↑ Error bars width of atom if drawn to scale!



Muon $g - 2$ (+4.2 σ ?)

- BNL E821 [PRD 2006]
- Fermilab E989 [1501.06858]
- J-PARC [1901.03047]
- Keshavarzi, Nomura, Teubner [PRD 2018]
- Davier, Hoecker, Malaescu, Zhang [EPJC 2020]
- Muon $g-2$ theory initiative [Phys Rept 2020]
- FNAL Muon $g-2$ [PRL 2021]

0.5 parts per million

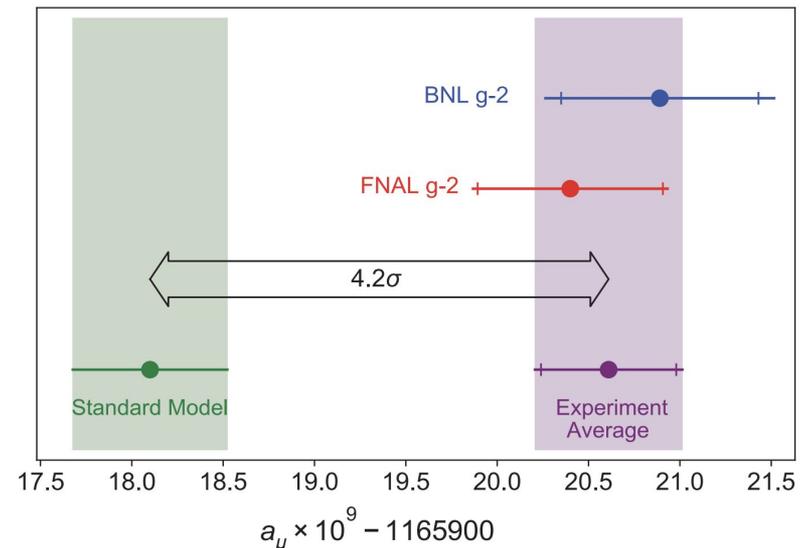
“Hadronic ignorance or harbinger of new physics?”

Electron $g - 2$ (-2.5 σ ?)

- Odom, Hanneke, D’Urso, Gabrielse [PRL (2006)]
- Bouchendir et al [PRL (2011)]
- Aoyama, Hayakawa, Kinoshita, Nio [PRL 2018]
- Parker, Yu, Zhong, Estey, Müller [Science (2018)]
- Morel et al [Nature 2022]
- Fan, Myers, Sukra, Gabrielse [2209.13084]
- Cladé [FIPs2022]

0.1 parts per billion

“Triumph of quantum electrodynamics”



What about tau $g - 2$?

SHOCKING EXPERIMENTAL IGNORANCE!

Current PDG value is by DELPHI 2004

$$a_{\tau}^{\text{exp}} = -0.018 (17)$$

$$a_{\tau, \text{SM}}^{\text{pred}} = 0.001\,177\,21 (5)$$

a_{exp} : DELPHI [[hep-ex/0406010](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ex/0406010)], $a_{\text{SM pred}}$: Eidelman, Passera [[hep-ph/0701260](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0701260)]

Pressing problem: barely measured!

Not even testing 70 year old 1-loop QED!

$$\alpha/2\pi = 0.001162$$

QED: lepton-photon universality at tree-level AND 1-loop [Schwinger [1948](#)]

Pressing & *interesting* open problem

Huge uncertainty
⇒ huge room for new physics

$$\delta a_\ell \sim m_\ell^2 / M_{\text{SUSY}}^2$$
$$m_\tau^2 / m_\mu^2 \sim 280$$

Martin, Wells [[hep-ph/0103067](#)]

280x more sensitive
to new physics
than muon $g - 2$

e & μ $g - 2$: no model shortage pre-FNAL

Martin, Wells [[hep-ph/0103067](#)]

Czarnecki, Marciano [[hep-ph/0102122](#)]

Pospelov [[0811.1030](#)]

Cahill-Rowley, Hewett, Ismail, Rizzo [[1407.4130](#)]

Ajaib, Dutta, Ghosh, Gogoladze, Shafi [[1505.05896](#)]

Allanach, Queiroz, Strumia, Sun [[1511.07447](#)]

Han, Kang, Sayre [[1511.05162](#)]

Batell, Lange, McKeen, Pospelov, Ritz [[1606.04943](#)]

Di Chiara, Fowlie, Fraser, Marzo, Marzola, Raidal, Spethmann [[1704.06200](#)]

Poh, Raby [[1705.07007](#)]

Cherchiglia, Stöckinger, Stöckinger-Kim [[1711.11567](#)]

Davoudiasl, Marciano [[1806.10252](#)]

Crivellin, Hoferichter, Schmidt-Wellenburg [[1807.11484](#)]

Li, Li, Yang [[1808.02424](#)]

Liu, Wagner, Wang [[1810.11028](#)]

Dutta, Mimura [[1811.10209](#)]

Mohlabeng [[1902.05075](#)]

Endo, Wen [[1906.08768](#)]

Badziak, Sakurai [[1908.03607](#)]

Bauer, Neubert, Renner, Schnubel, Thamm [[1908.00008](#)]

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How can we measure tau $g - 2$?

Belle-II/CLIC/ILC/FCC-ee:

Eidelman, Epifanov, Fael, Mercolli, Passera [[1601.07987](#)]

Chen, Wu [[1803.00501](#)]

Köksal, Billur, Gutierrez-Rodriguez, Hernandez-Ruiz [[1804.02373](#)]

Howard, Rajaraman, Riley, Tait [[1810.09570](#)]

Köksal [[2104.01003](#)]

Crivellin, Hoferichter, Michael Roney [[2111.10378](#)]

LHeC/FCC-eh:

Köksal [[1809.01963](#)],

Gutiérrez-Rodríguez, Köksal, Billur, Hernández-Ruiz [[1903.04135](#)]

Proton fixed target & bent crystals:

Fomin, Korchin, Stocchi, Barsuk, Robbe [[1810.06699](#)]

Fu et al [[1901.04003](#)]

THINK DIFFERENT

Invent new heavy-ion analysis



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New physics and tau $g - 2$ using LHC heavy ion collisions

Lydia Beresford and Jesse Liu

[1908.05180 \(PRD\)](#)

Phys. Rev. D **102**, 113008 – Published 22 December 2020

Creative pheno paper overcame status quo

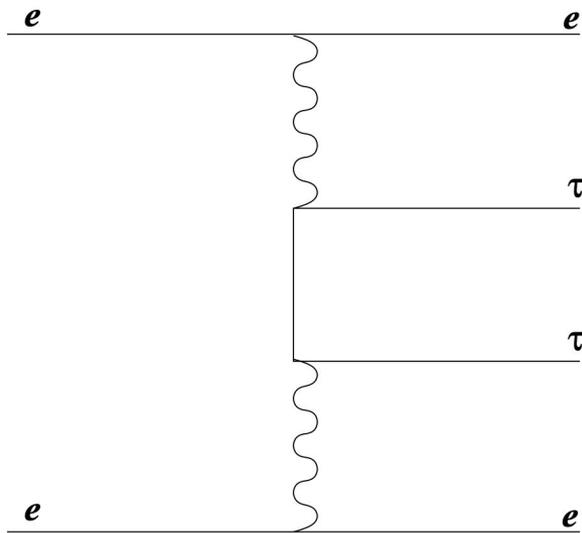
Tau $g - 2$ measurable without lepton collider

Heavy ions interesting for BSM via precision

See also our pp papers: Beresford & JL [1811.06465 \(PRL\)](#), ATLAS (Beresford & JL editors) [2009.14537 \(PRL\)](#)

How can we see $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau$ at LHC?

PDG constraint of tau $g - 2$



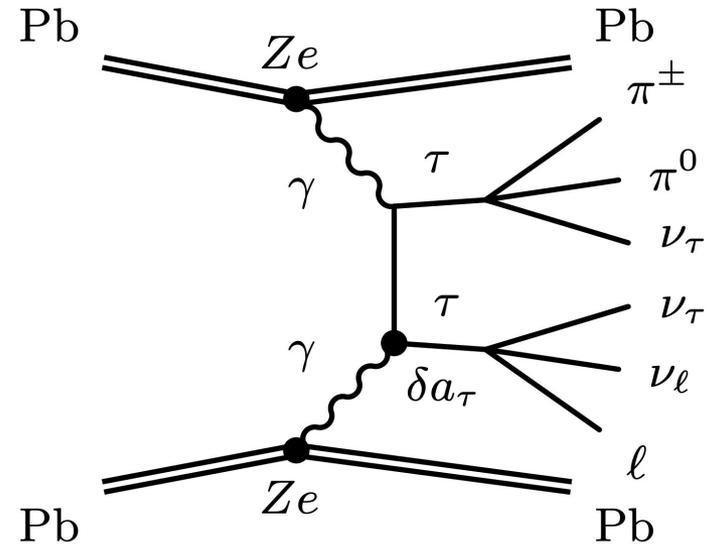
LEP photon collisions

$$\sigma \sim 400 \text{ pb}$$

\Rightarrow 200k events all years

DELPHI [[EPJC 35 \(2004\) 159-170](#)]

Proceed analogously @ LHC today?



Never measured at LHC

$$\sigma \sim Z^4 \sim 500\,000 \text{ nb} \quad (Z_{\text{Pb}} = 82)$$

\Rightarrow 1 million events *already*

Beresford, JL [[1908.05180](#)]

Also de Aguila et al [[PLB 1991](#)], Dyndal et al [[2002.05503](#)]



Now: CMS & ATLAS breakthroughs realizing our idea



Creative collaborations bridging nuclear, flavour & BSM physics communities

EUROPEAN ORGANIZATION FOR NUCLEAR RESEARCH (CERN)



CMS-HIN-21-009



CERN-EP-2022-098
2022/06/13

Observation of τ lepton pair production in ultraperipheral lead-lead collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV

The CMS Collaboration

Abstract

We present an observation of photon-photon production of τ lepton pairs in ultraperipheral lead-lead collisions. The measurement is based on a data sample with an integrated luminosity of $404 \mu\text{b}^{-1}$ collected by the CMS experiment at a nucleon-nucleon center-of-mass energy of 5.02 TeV. The $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$ process is observed for $\tau^+\tau^-$ events with a muon and three charged hadrons in the final state. The measured fiducial cross section is $\sigma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-) = 4.8 \pm 0.6$ (stat) ± 0.5 (syst) μb , in agreement with leading-order QED predictions. Using $\sigma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-)$, we estimate a model-dependent value of the anomalous magnetic moment of the τ lepton of $a_\tau = 0.001^{+0.055}_{-0.089}$ at a 68% confidence level.

Submitted to Physical Review Letters

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CMS 2206.05192

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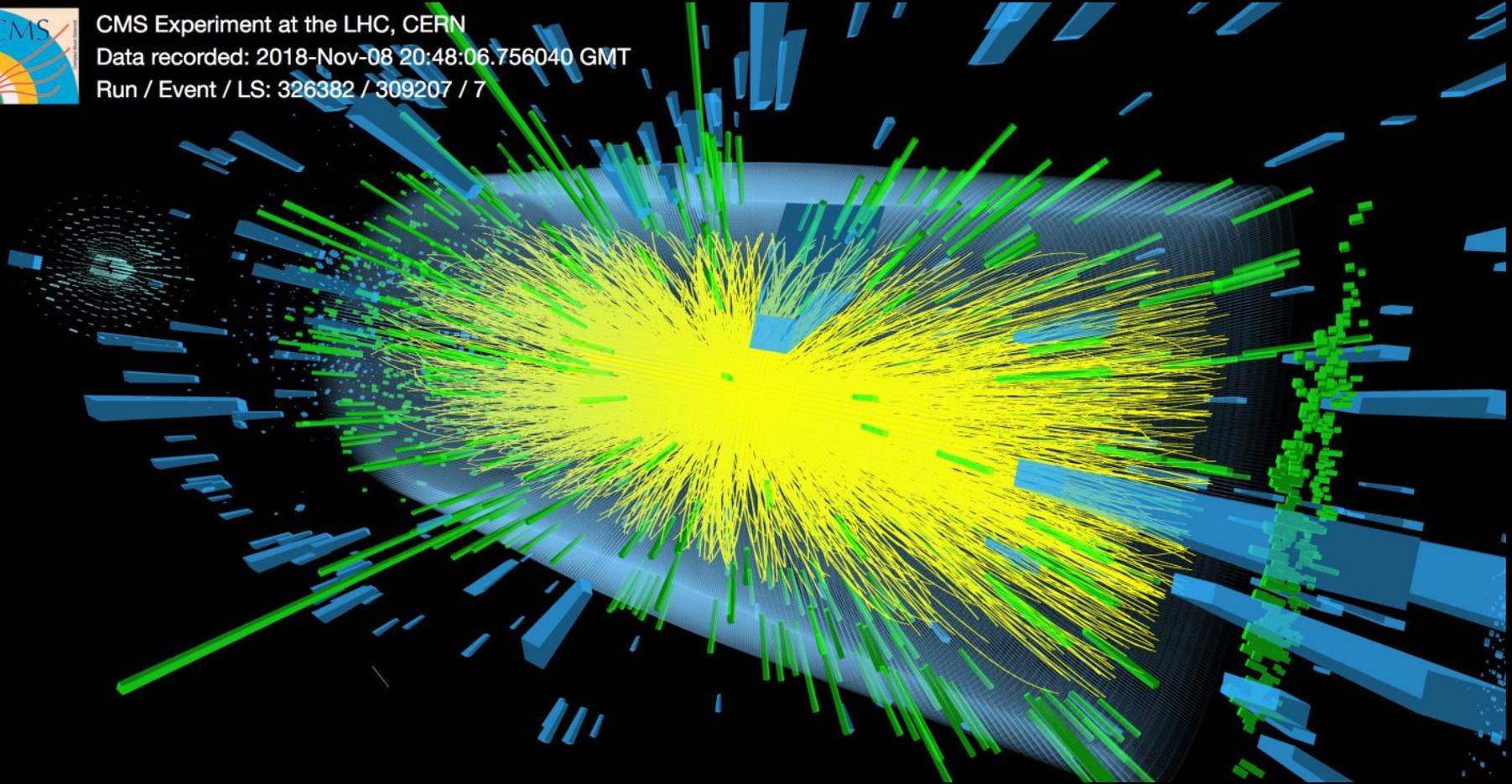
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ATLAS (JL Editor) 2204.13478, Accepted PRL

Heavy-ion collisions: what usually comes to mind



CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN
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CMS [PHO-EVENTS-2018-009]

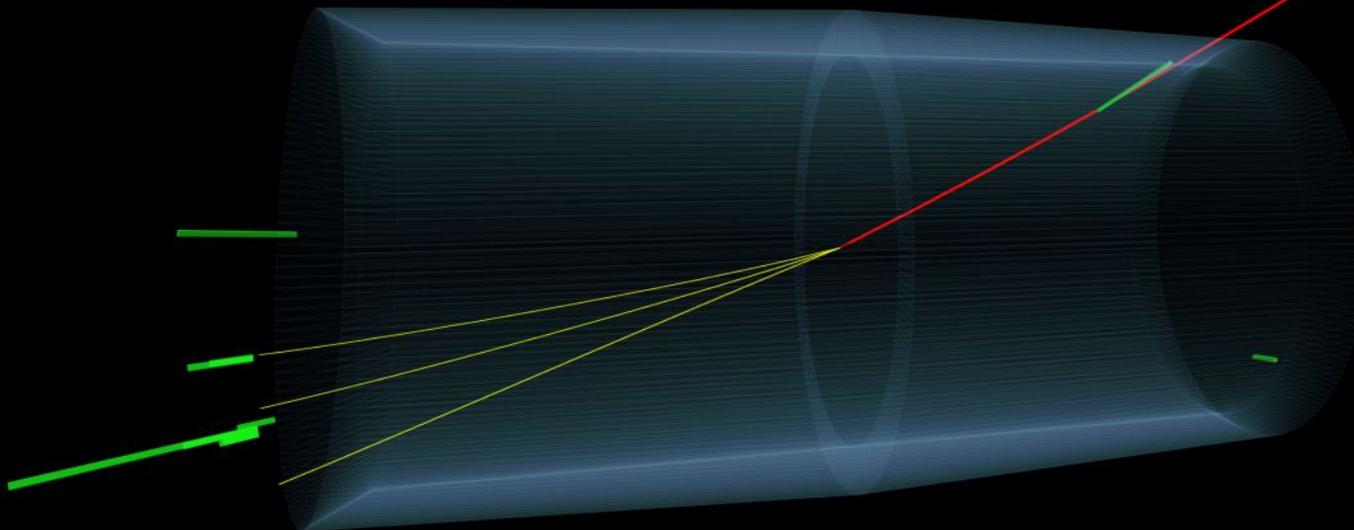
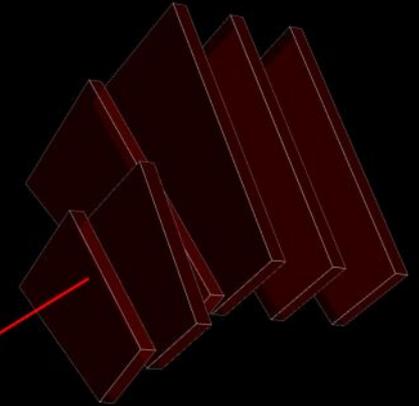
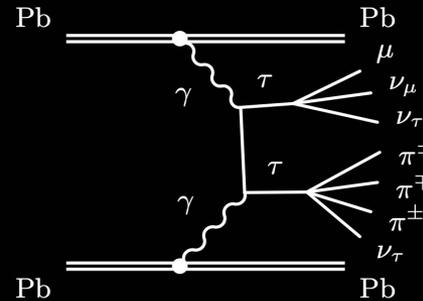
Heavy-ion collisions: breathtakingly clean



CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN

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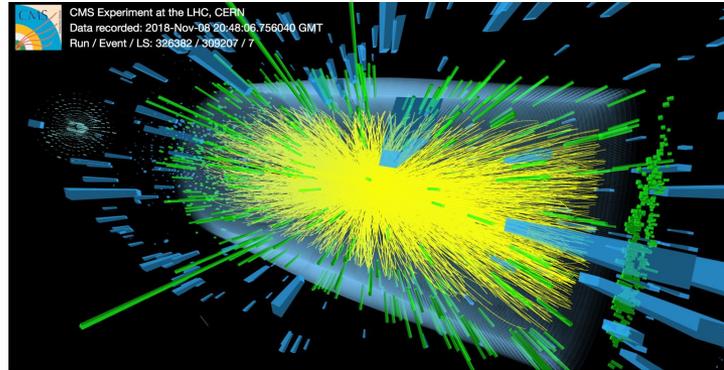
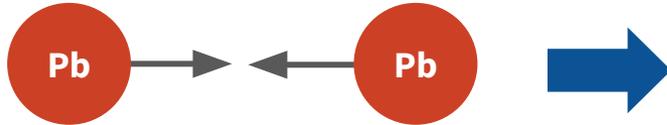
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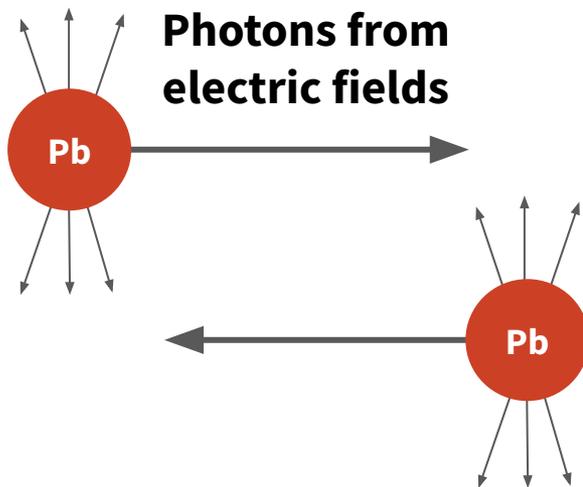
“Using light to make cousins of the electron” [CMS News Briefing]

Colliding light @ LHC

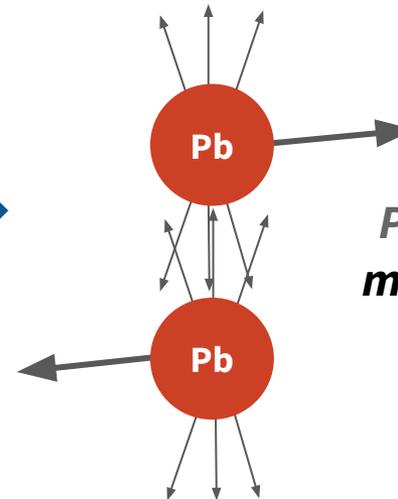
Head-on Pb-Pb collisions



Partons collide to make new particles



Photons from electric fields

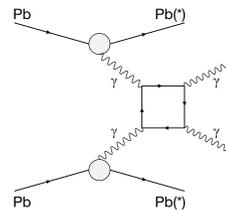
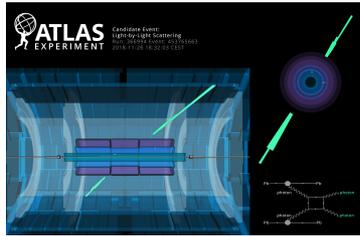


Photons collide to make new particles

EQUIVALENT PHOTON APPROXIMATION

Fermi (1925) [[hep-th/0205086](#)], Weizsäcker (1934), Williams (1934), Schwinger (1952), Budnev, Ginzburg, Meledin, Serbo (1975)
ATLAS [[ATLAS HION Event Display](#)], Bruce et al [[1812.07688](#)]

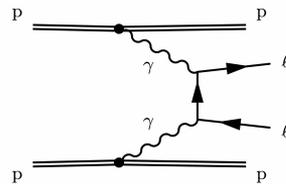
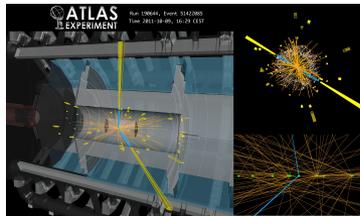
Recent experimental breakthroughs



Observation of light-by-light scattering in ultraperipheral Pb+Pb collisions with the ATLAS detector

Probe photon self-coupling & axion-like particles

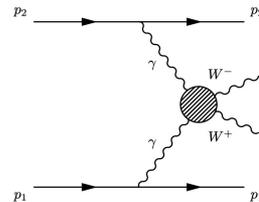
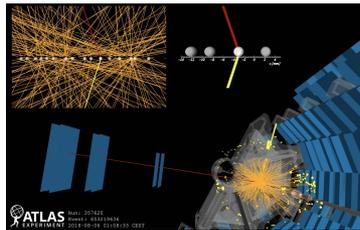
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Observation and measurement of forward proton scattering in association with lepton pairs produced via the photon fusion mechanism at ATLAS

Pioneer ATLAS Forward Proton at weak scale

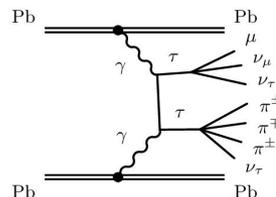
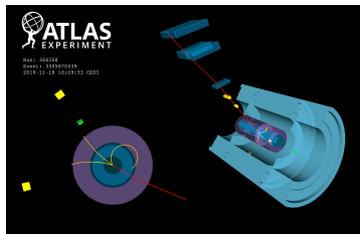
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Observation of photon-induced W^+W^- production in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV using the ATLAS detector

Create electroweak mass states via photon fusion

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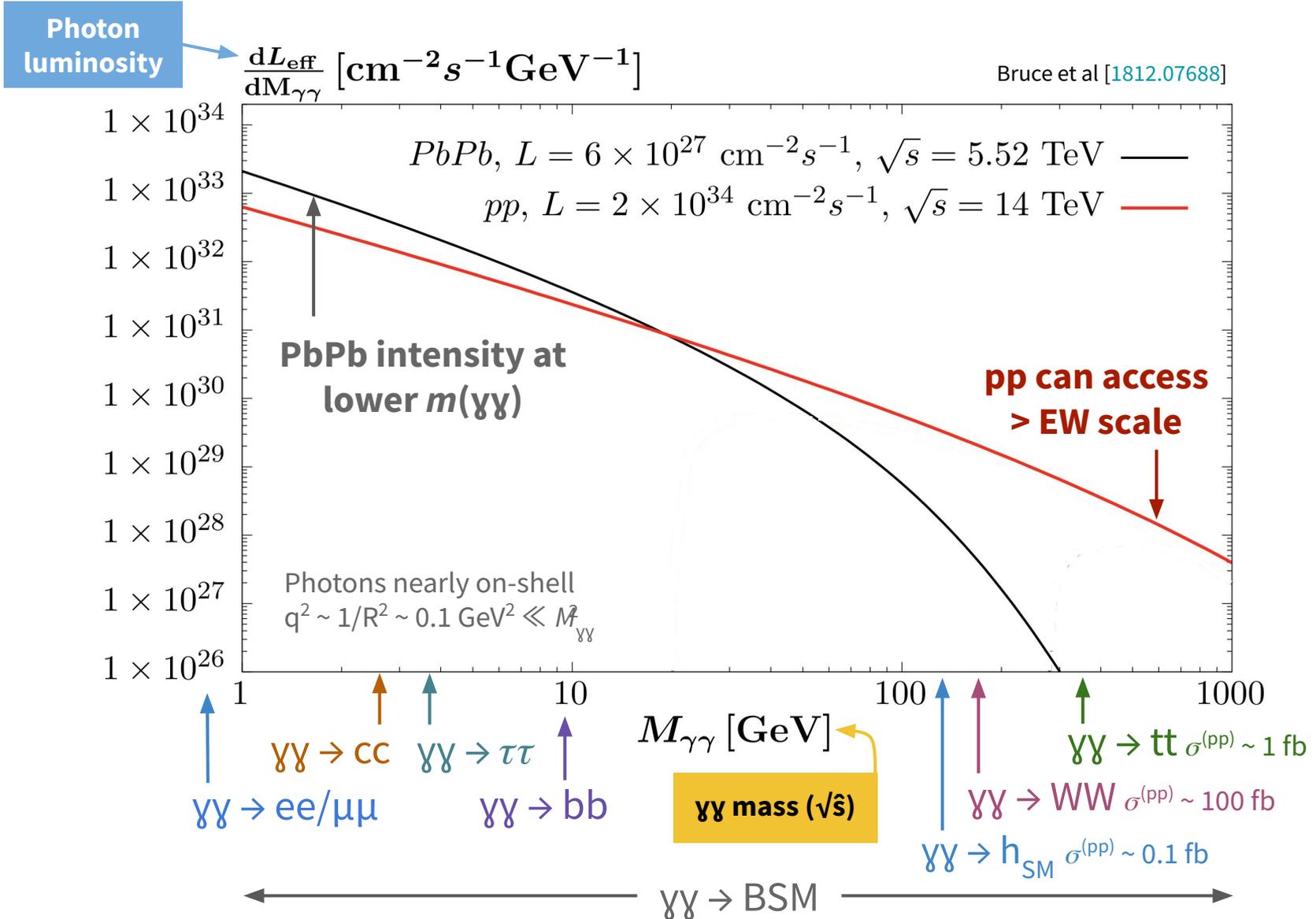


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First tau $g - 2$ measurement in 2 decades

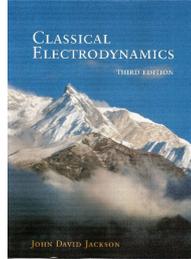
2204.13478, Accepted PRL (JL Editor)

Colliding $\gamma\gamma$ spectrum



Photon collisions using MadGraph & SMEFTsim

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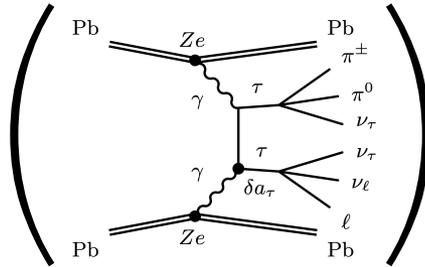


Photon flux: classical field theory

Add Chapter 15 §4 into MadGraph 2.6.5 with Fortran77

$$n(x) = \frac{2Z^2\alpha}{x\pi} \left\{ \bar{x}K_0(\bar{x})K_1(\bar{x}) - \frac{\bar{x}^2}{2} [K_1^2(\bar{x}) - K_0^2(\bar{x})] \right\}$$

$$\sigma_{\gamma\gamma \rightarrow XX}^{(\text{PbPb})}$$



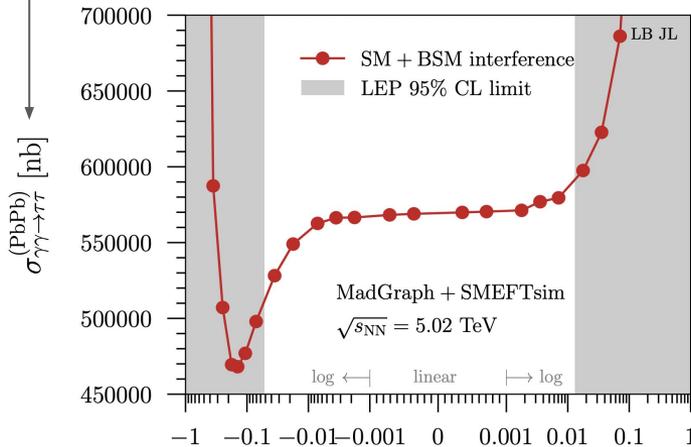
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MadGraph

Jackson

SMEFTsim

$$\int dx_1 dx_2 n(x_1)n(x_2) \sigma_{\gamma\gamma \rightarrow XX}$$



BSM a_τ variations: dim-6 SMEFTsim

Grzadkowski, Iskrzyński, M. Misiak, Rosiek [1008.4884]

Alloul, Christensen, Degrande, Duhr, Fuks [1310.1921]

Brivio, Jiang, Trott [1709.06492]

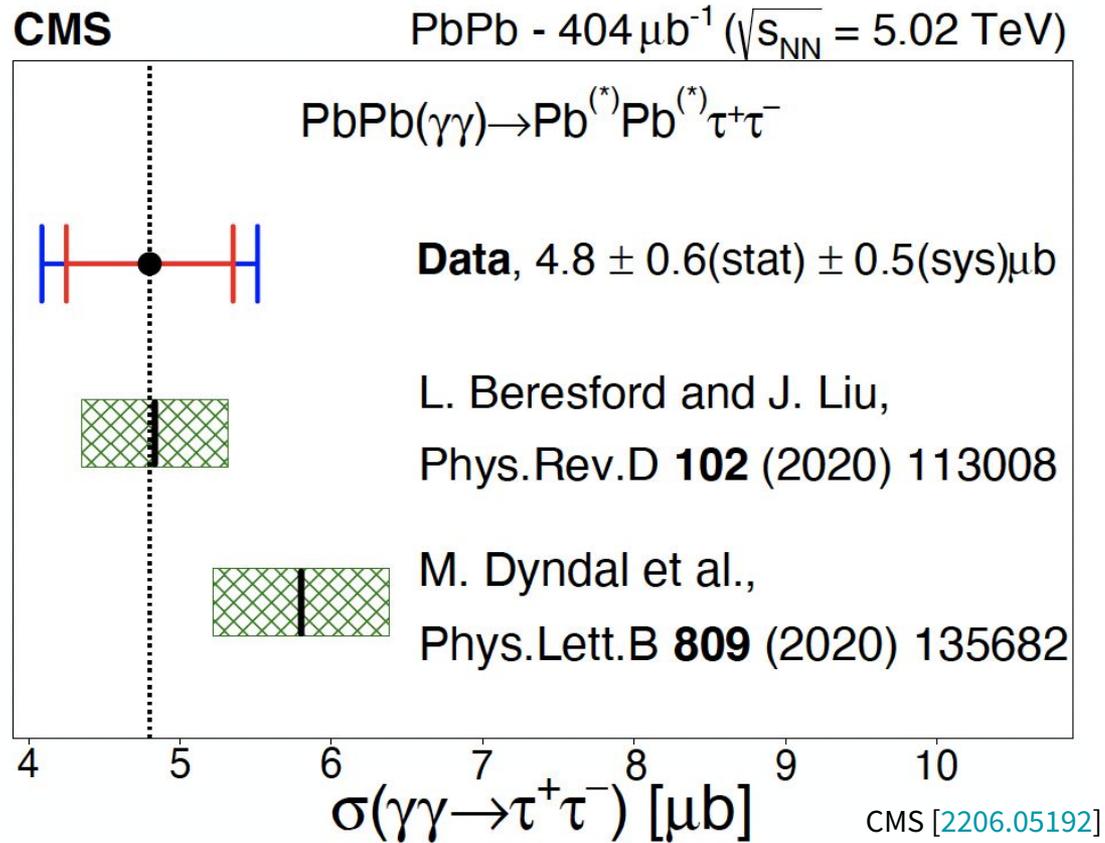
Include interference up to 2 BSM couplings

$$\left| \text{[diagrams]} + \text{[diagrams]} + \text{[diagrams]} \right|^2 \delta a_\tau \sim \frac{C}{\Lambda^2} (\bar{L}_\ell \sigma^{\mu\nu} \ell_R) H (\partial_\mu A_\nu)$$

1st PbPb \rightarrow Pb($\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau$)Pb cross-section measurement

Only μb *visible* cross-section \therefore soft tau acceptance x efficiency very low \rightarrow

\rightarrow Jackson Electrodynamics works! 😊



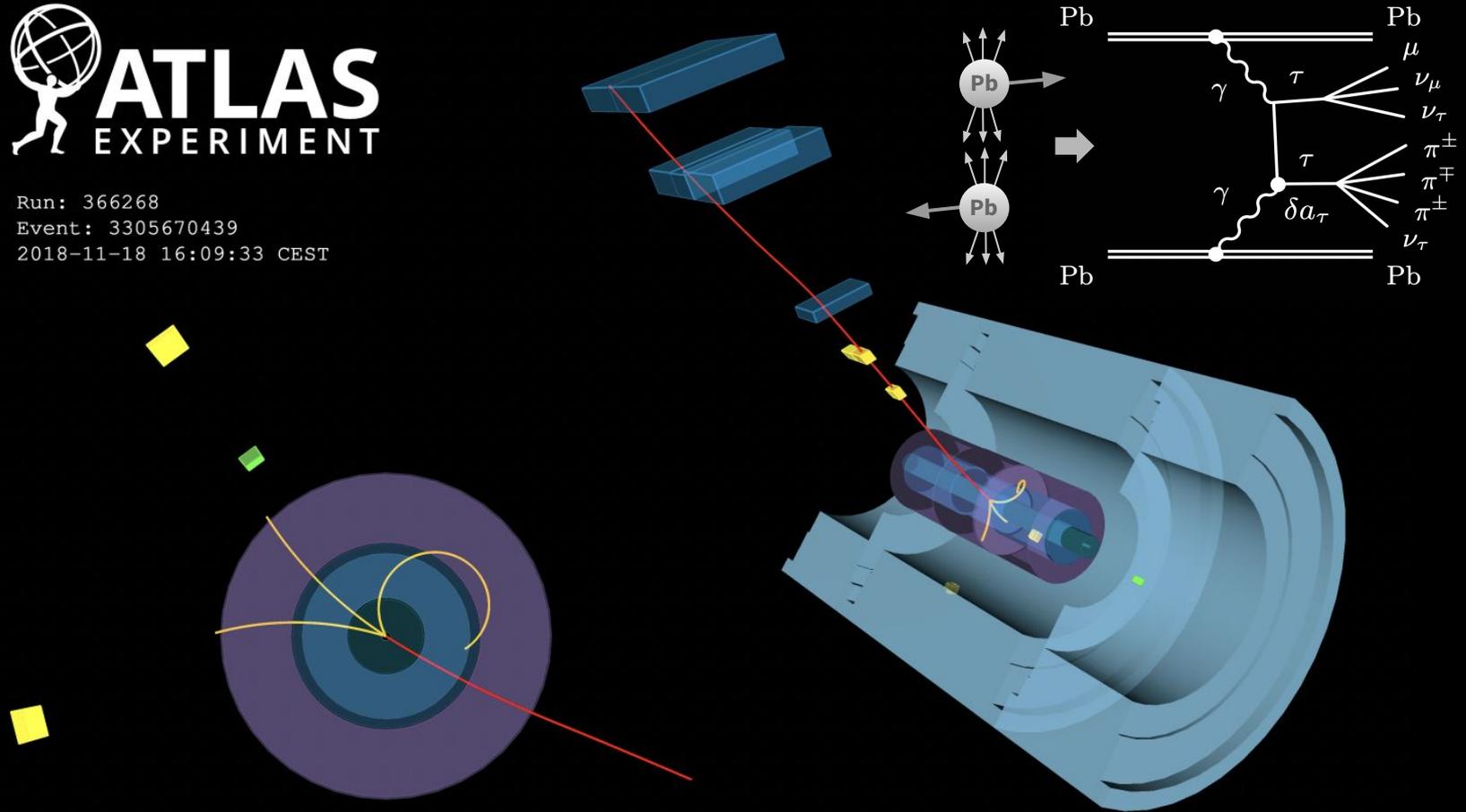
Remarkable result 🌟 ...and just getting started!

2015 data | dominant systematics: muon efficiency (6.7%), luminosity (5%), pion efficiency (3.6%)

ATLAS observation of $\text{PbPb} \rightarrow \text{Pb} (\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau) \text{Pb}$



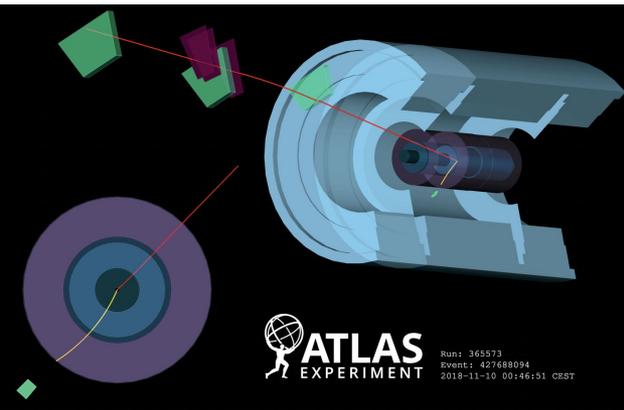
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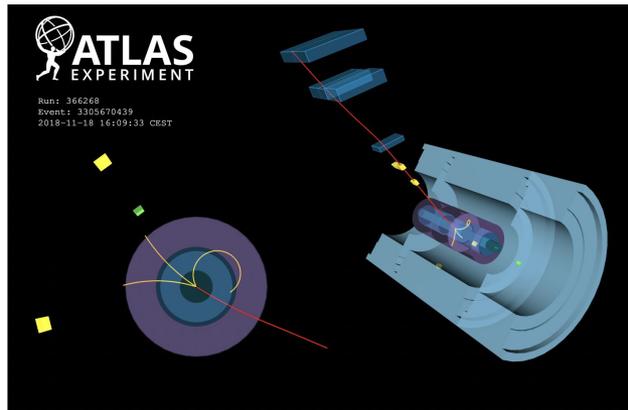
↑ All charged-particle tracks above 100 MeV are shown

1 month to double dataset | Pileup $\mu \sim 0.003$ | $p_T(\mu) > 4$ GeV trigger

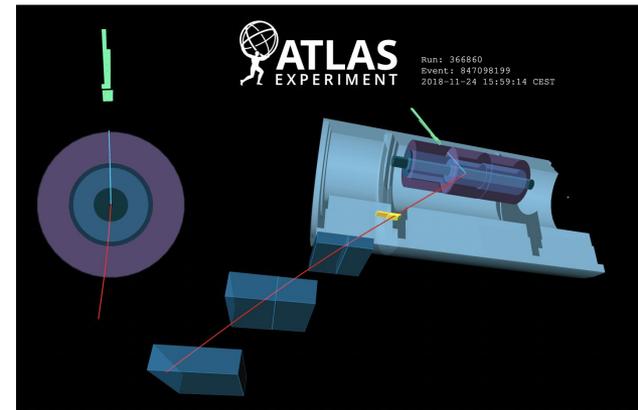
ATLAS analyzes 2018 data in our 3 proposed channels



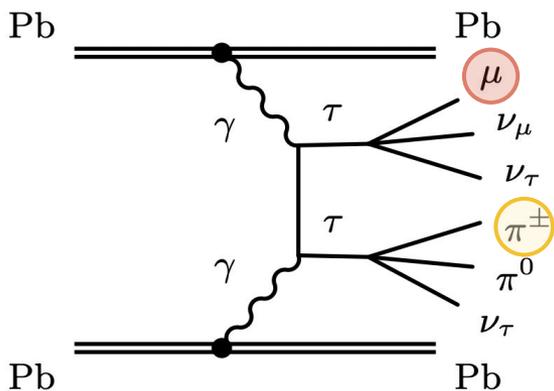
1 muon + 1 track ($\mu 1T$ -SR)



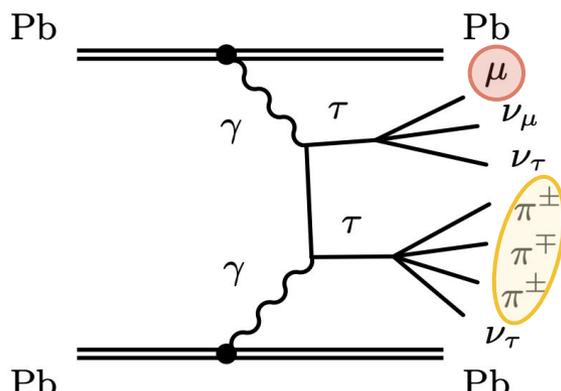
1 muon + 3 tracks ($\mu 3T$ -SR)



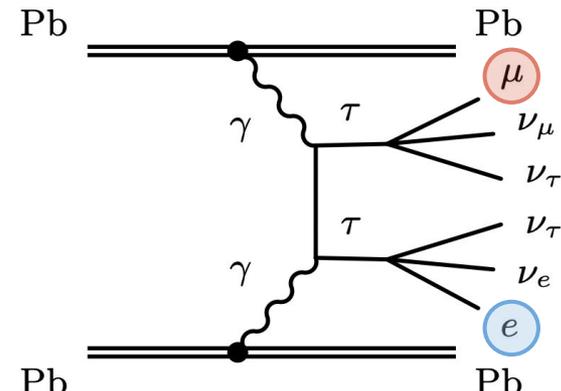
1 muon + 1 electron (μe -SR)



$N_{\text{obs}} = 532, N_{\text{bkg}} = 84 \pm 19$



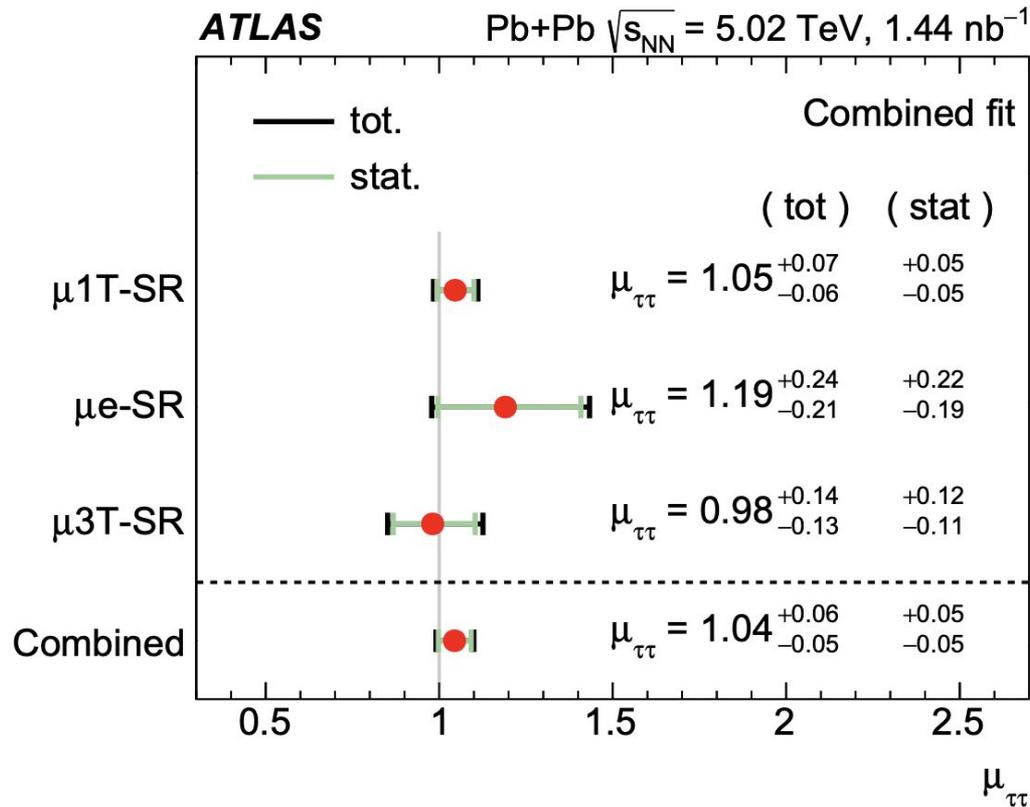
$N_{\text{obs}} = 85, N_{\text{bkg}} = 10 \pm 3$



$N_{\text{obs}} = 39, N_{\text{bkg}} = 2.8 \pm 0.7$

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Precision currently limited by data sample size



Signal strength $\mu_{\tau\tau} = \text{observed rate} / \text{expected SM rate}$

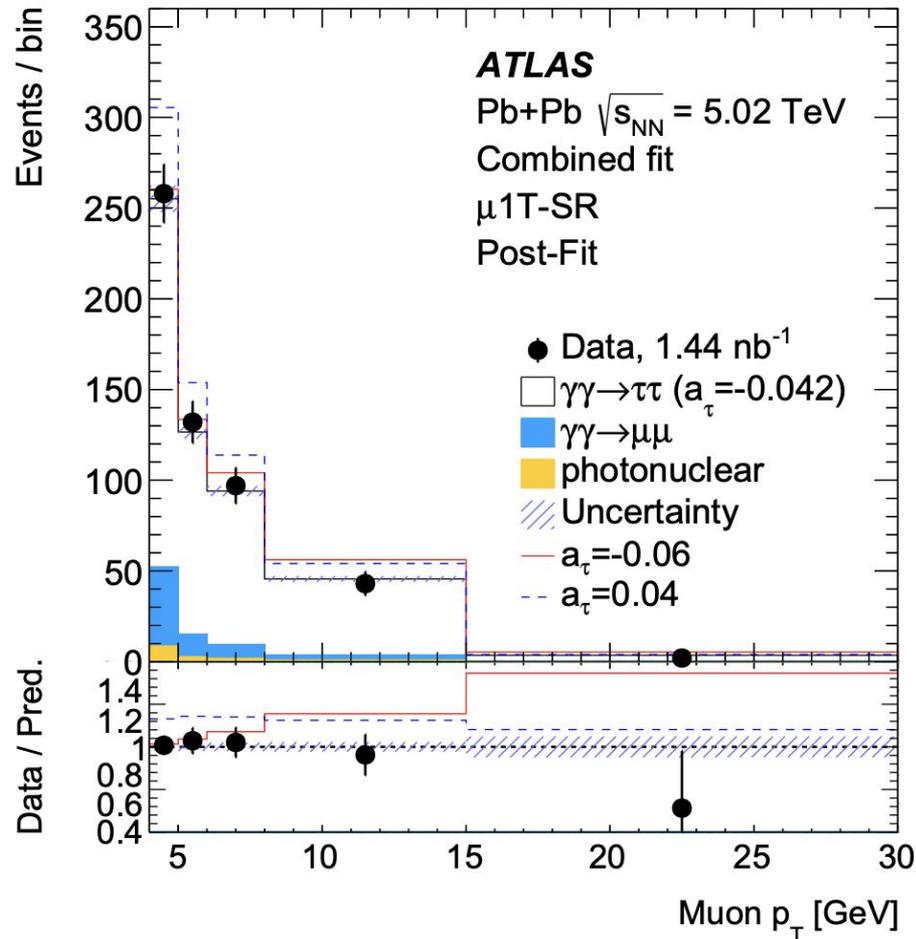
$$\mathcal{B}(\tau^\pm \rightarrow \ell^\pm \nu_\ell \nu_\tau) = 35\%,$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\tau^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \nu_\tau + \text{neutral pions}) = 45.6\%,$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\tau^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^\mp \pi^\pm \nu_\tau + \text{neutral pions}) = 19.4\%.$$

ATLAS (JL Editor) [2204.13478](#), Accepted PRL

Very soft: muon $p_T > 4$ GeV, track $p_T > 100$ MeV



Use $\mu\mu$ events to control photon flux modelling systematics

Muons lose ~ 3 GeV of energy before reaching muon chambers

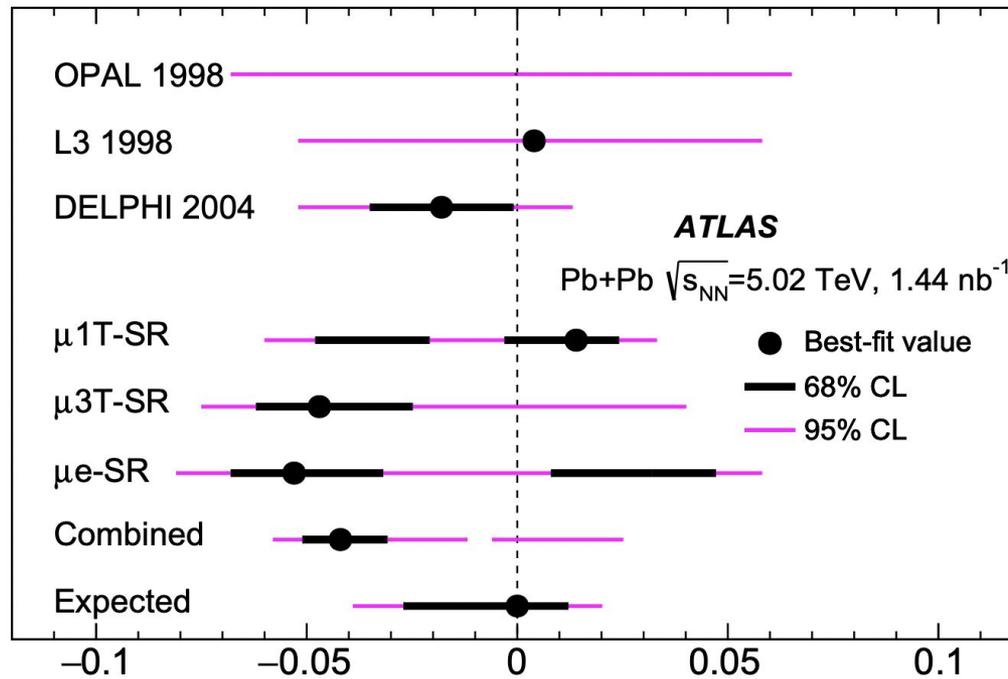
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Groundbreaking results competitive with LEP

First lab measurement of tau $g - 2$ in 2 decades

First time taus analysed in heavy ion collisions

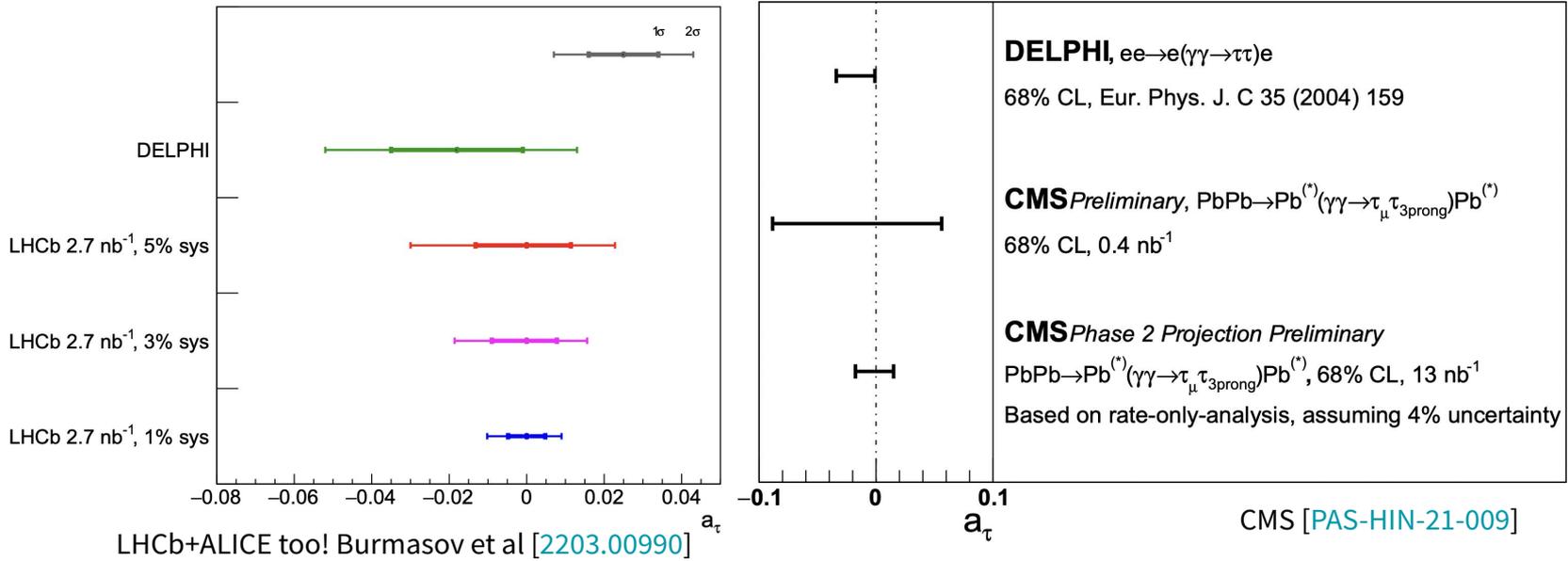
Heavy ions enabled 5% measurement of QED g_τ



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$$a_\tau = (g_\tau - 2)/2$$

Every innovation strengthens HL-LHC science



d'Enterria et al [2203.05939] Pb-Pb	runtime	ATLAS/CMS	ALICE	LHCb
	1 month	$2.1\text{--}2.5 \text{ nb}^{-1}$	$2.5\text{--}2.8 \text{ nb}^{-1}$	$< 0.5 \text{ nb}^{-1}$
	5 months	$10.5\text{--}12.5 \text{ nb}^{-1}$	$12.5\text{--}14.0 \text{ nb}^{-1}$	$< 2.5 \text{ nb}^{-1}$

Today's undergrads become postdocs



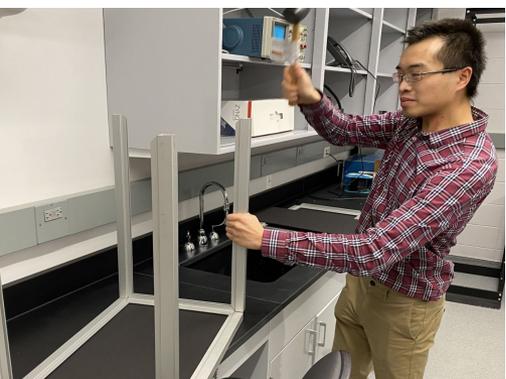
- Shutdown/Technical stop
 - Protons physics
 - Ions
 - Commissioning with beam
 - Hardware commissioning/magnet training
- [lhc-commissioning.web.cern.ch]

Build next-gen ATLAS silicon camera (ITk) at Cambridge



Cambridge leading barrel sensor and module assembly & quality control

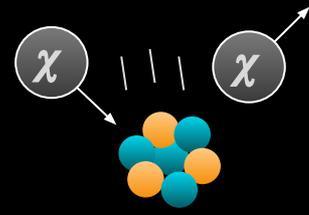
POSTDOC YEARS @ THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO (2019-21)



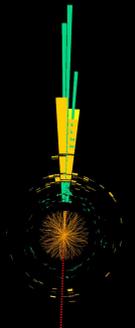
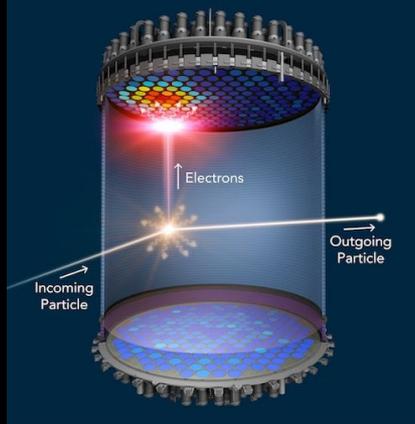
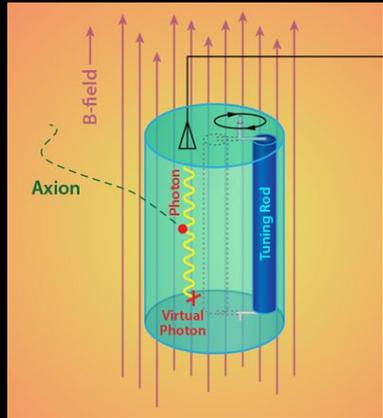
TWO DARK MATTER LAMPPOSTS

Axion
Wave-like
e.g. ADMX
Non-thermal

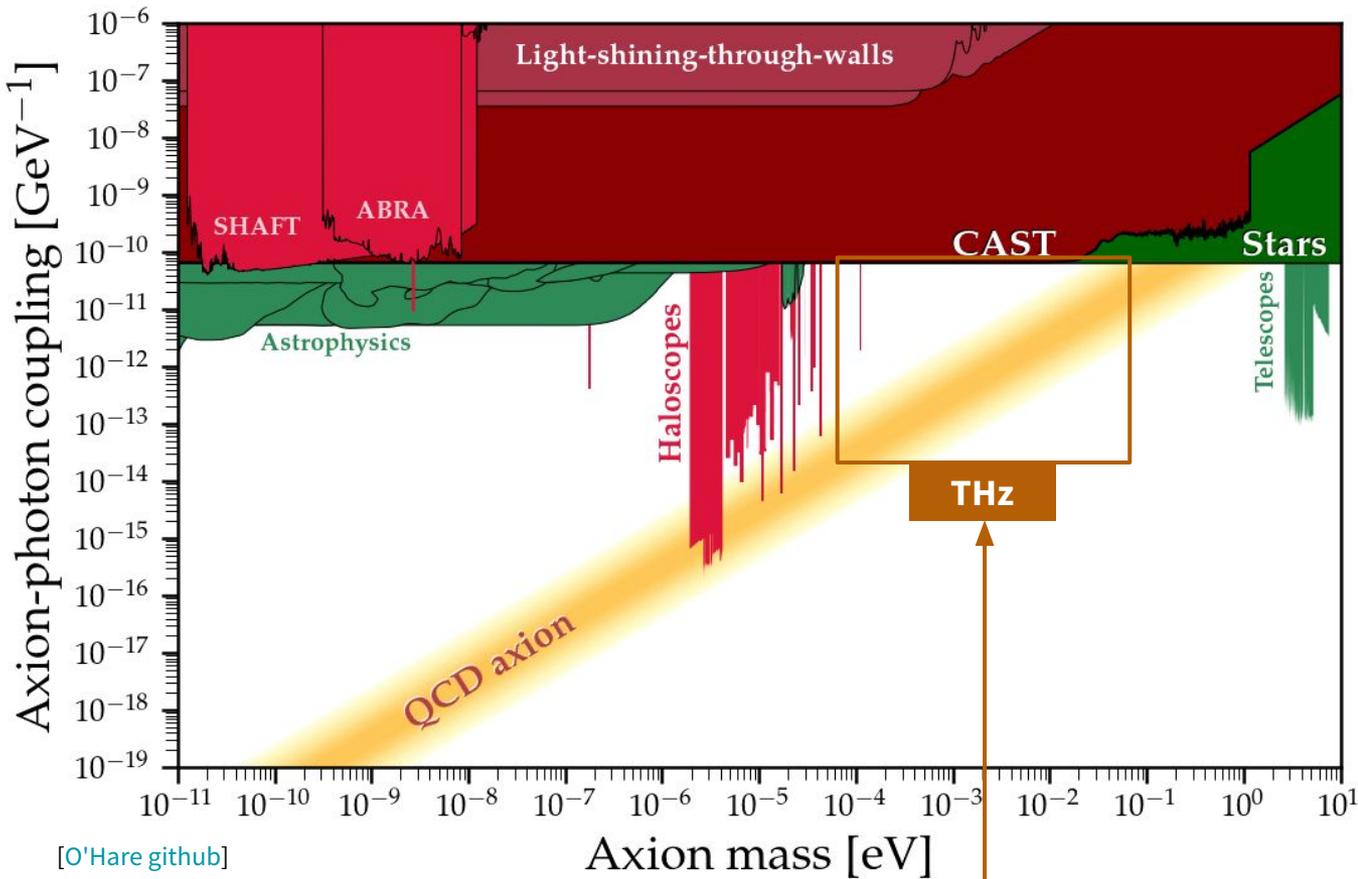
WIMP
Particle-like
e.g. LZ, LHC
Thermal relic



lz.ac.uk
2102.10874



The milli-eV/terahertz axion search problem



Problem 1: Desire broadband but cavity haloscopes narrowband $\Delta m/m \ll 1$

Problem 2: Desire high mass but scan rate* $R \sim f^{-14/3}$ impractical for $m > 50 \mu\text{eV}$

NEED CREATIVITY TO OVERCOME BOTH LONGSTANDING OBSTACLES

Broadband Reflector Experiment for Axion Detection

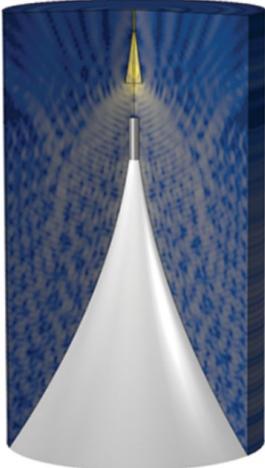


My proposal paper on the cover of PRL & Editors' Suggestion



PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS JL, Dona et al [2111.12103]

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ON THE COVER

Broadband Solenoidal Haloscope for Terahertz Axion Detection

March 28, 2022

Simulation of the full electric field inside the conceptual design of the Broadband Reflector Experiment for Axion Detection (BREAD). Selected for an Editors' Suggestion.

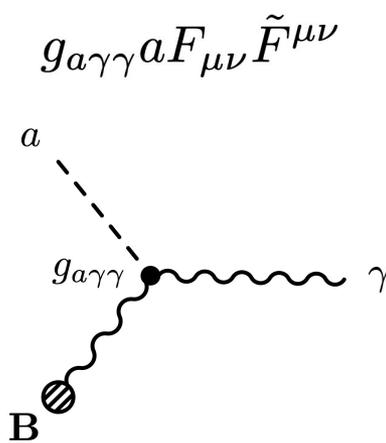
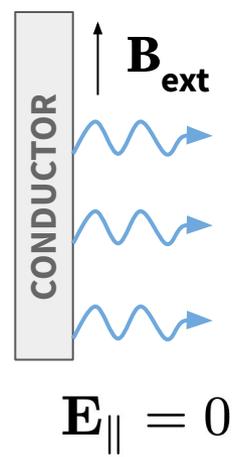
Jesse Liu *et al.*
[Phys. Rev. Lett. 128, 131801 \(2022\)](#)

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Step 0: dish antenna foundations

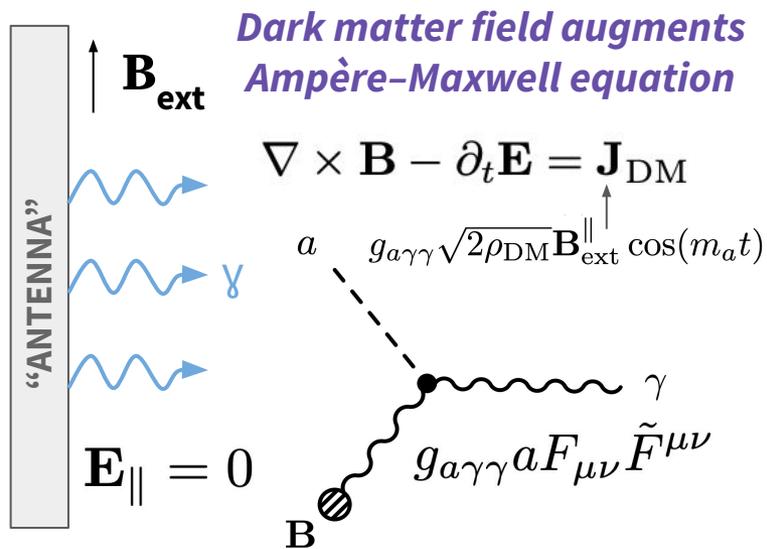
Axion-photon coupling	Augment Ampère-Maxwell	Photon conversion
$g_{a\gamma\gamma} a F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$ 	$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} - \partial_t \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{J}_{\text{DM}}$ $g_{a\gamma\gamma} \sqrt{2\rho_{\text{DM}}} \mathbf{B}_{\text{ext}}^{\parallel} \cos(m_a t)$ <p style="text-align: center;">↑</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">$\mathbf{E}_{\parallel} = 0$</p>

Broadband: no resonant tuning to unknown mass

Concept proposed in Horns et al [[1212.2970](#)]

Step 1: convert DM to photons

a) Oscillating axion field makes conductor emit photons



INHERENTLY BROADBAND
No tuning to unknown DM mass

Concept proposed in Horns et al [[1212.2970](#)]

b) Make cylindrical to embed in standard solenoids & cryostats

→ Fridge for ADMX science at FNAL
 (Photo by Kristin Dona)

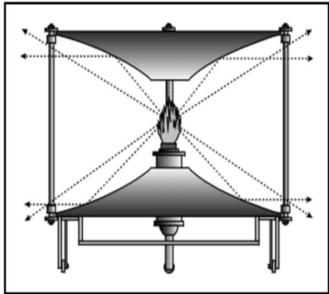
↓ Solenoids for Magnetic Resonance Imaging
hopkinsmedicine.org



See also [Mark Bird \(2020\)](#)
 “Ultra-High Field Solenoids and Axion Detection”

Step 2: collect photons

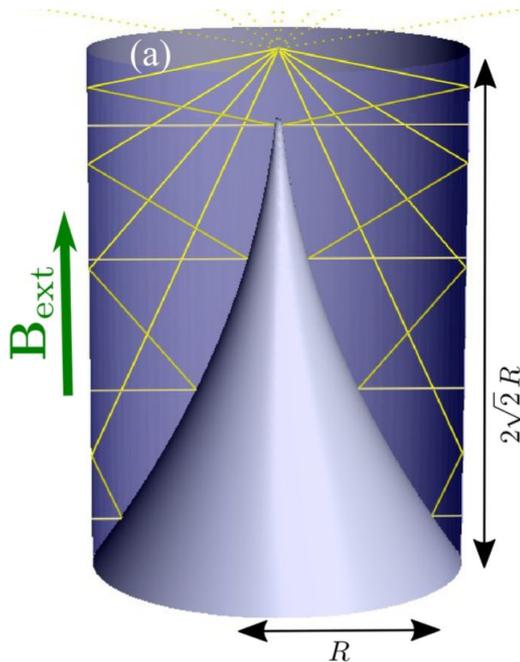
Historical inspiration



Inverse of 19th century lighthouse
Bordier-Marcet
1811

Cylindrically symmetric co-parallel rays from point source
uslhs.org

Novel parabolic reflector design focuses photons



Ray tracing simulation

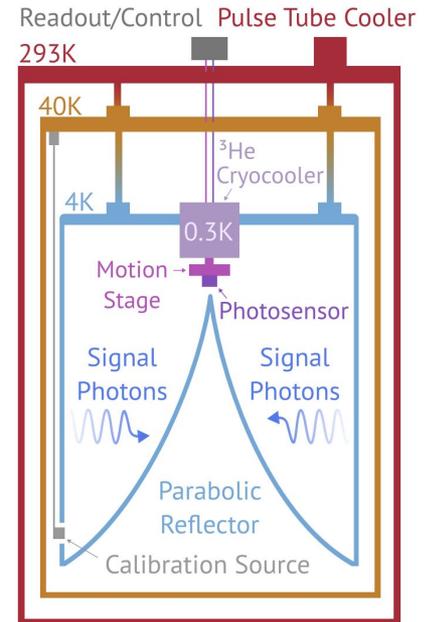
Kate Azar, Matthew Malaker, Gabe Hoshino (summer students) led detailed simulation studies

3D-printed prototype @ FNAL



Gabe Hoshino led in situ measurements with antenna

Proposed dark photon pilot design



Status: iterating reflector design with engineers

BREAD
COLLABORATION

JL, Dona et al [[PRL 128 \(2022\) 131801](https://arxiv.org/abs/2201.13180)]

Step 3: detect photons

gentec-eo.com
gentec-eo

THZ5B-BL-DA-DO
PIN 202292
THz detector for power measurements up to 43 μW.

HOME > PRODUCTS > POWER MEASUREMENT > THZ5B-BL-DA-DO



Commercial bolometers

irlabs.com

Bolometer SYSTEMS



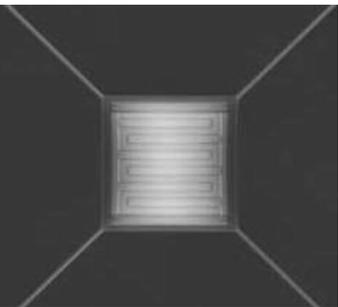
Fourier Transform IR Spectroscopy
Molecular Beam Spectroscopy
High Magnetic Field Research
Terahertz Research

IRLabs
Infrared Laboratories

Lower noise is better ↓

Photosensor	$\frac{E}{\text{meV}}$	$\frac{T_{\text{op}}}{\text{K}}$	$\frac{\text{NEP}}{\text{W}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}}$	$\frac{A_{\text{sens}}}{\text{mm}^2}$
GENTEC [97]	[0.4, 120]	293	$1 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$\pi 2.5^2$
IR LABS [98]	[0.24, 248]	1.6	$5 \cdot 10^{-14}$	1.5^2
KID/TES [99, 100]	[0.2, 125]	0.3	$2 \cdot 10^{-19}$	0.2^2
QCDet [101, 102]	[2, 125]	0.015	$\frac{\text{DCR}}{\text{Hz}} = 4$	0.06^2
SNSPD [103, 104]	[124, 830]	0.3	$\frac{\text{DCR}}{\text{Hz}} = 10^{-4}$	0.4^2

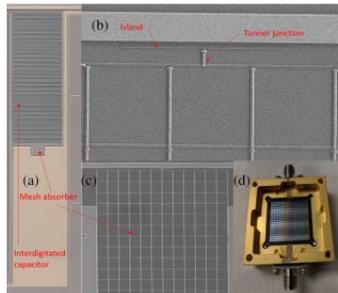
JL, Dona et al [PRL 128 (2022) 131801]



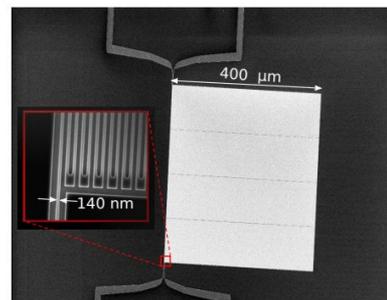
Transition Edge Sensor
Goldie et al [JLTP 2016]

Kinetic Inductance Detector
Baselmans et al [A&A 2017]

Established technology for astronomy/CMB*



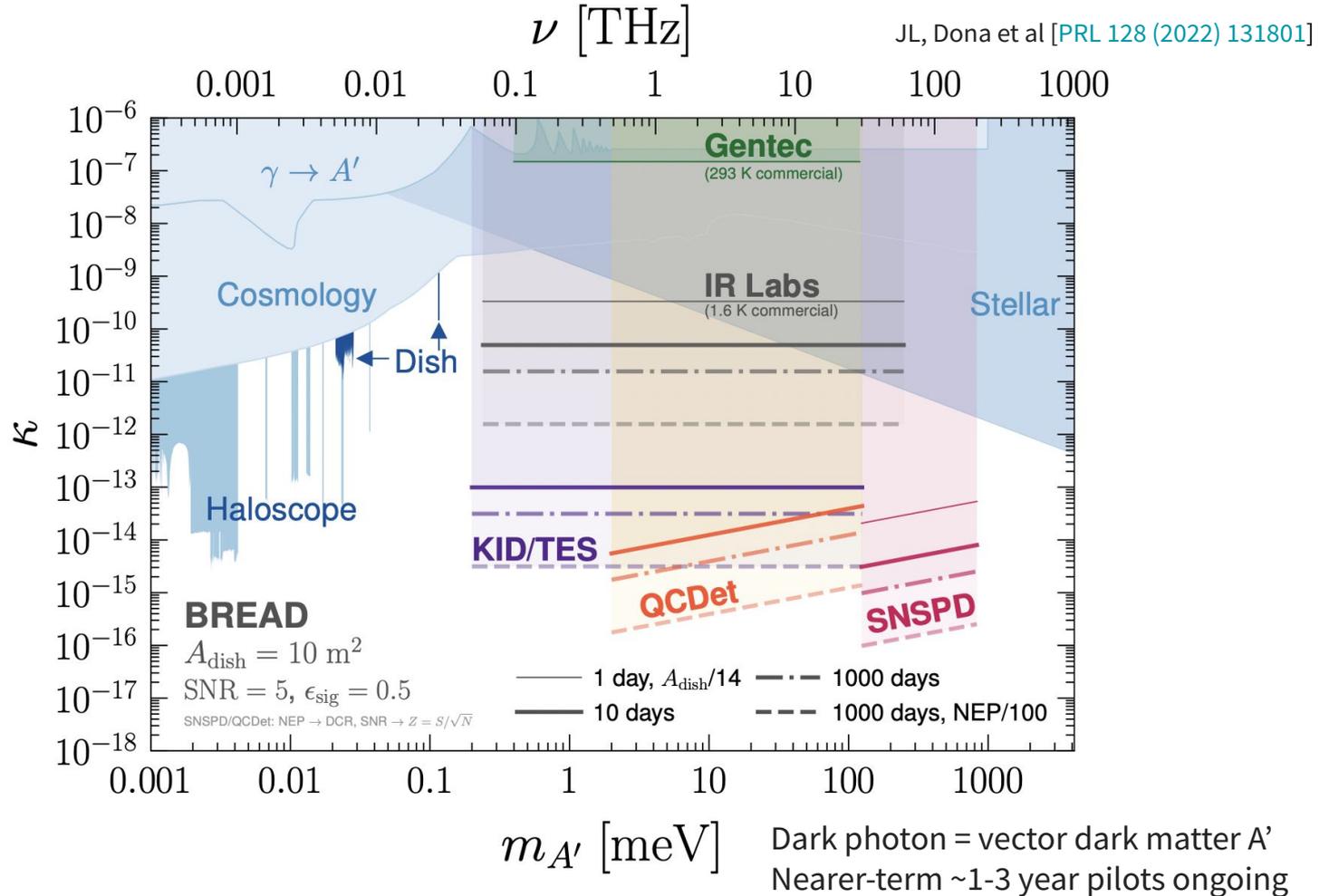
Quantum Capacitance Detector
Echternach et al [JATIS 2021]



Superconducting Nanowire Single Photon Detector
Hochberg et al [1903.05101]

Emerging technology for infrared photon counting

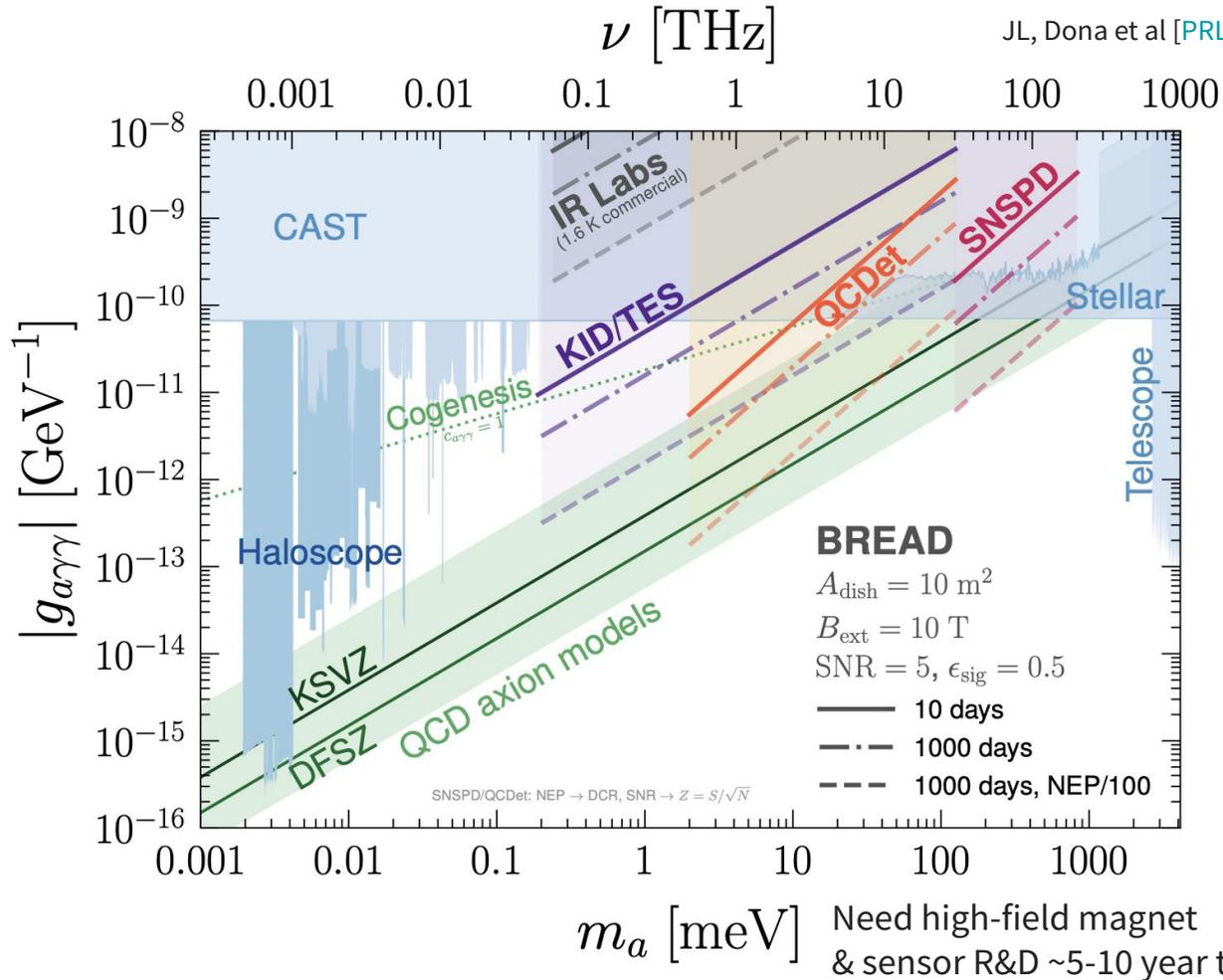
Sensitivity: dark photon pilot “sourdough starter”



$$\left\{ \left(\frac{g_{a\gamma\gamma}}{10^{-12}} \right)^2 \right\} = \left\{ \frac{3.0}{\text{GeV}^2} \left(\frac{m_a}{\text{meV}} \right)^3 \left(\frac{10 \text{ T}}{B_{\text{ext}}} \right)^2 \right\} \left(\frac{\text{hour}}{\Delta t} \right)^{1/2} \frac{10 \text{ m}^2}{A_{\text{dish}}} \frac{Z}{5} \frac{0.5}{\epsilon_s} \left(\frac{\text{DCR}}{10^{-2} \text{ Hz}} \right)^{1/2} \frac{0.45 \text{ GeV/cm}^3}{\rho_{\text{DM}}}$$

Sensitivity: axion science programme

JL, Dona et al [[PRL 128 \(2022\) 131801](#)]



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BREAD roadmap to flagship next-gen axion experiment

BREAD	Pilot	Stage 1	Stage 2a	Stage 2b
Axion a	—	✓	✓	✓
Dark photon A'	✓	✓	✓	✓
Experimental parameters				
A_{dish} [m ²]	0.7	10	10	10
B_{ext} [T]	—	10	10	10
ϵ_s	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Δt [days]	10	10	1000	1000
NEP [W Hz ^{-1/2}]	10 ⁻¹⁴	10 ⁻¹⁸	10 ⁻²⁰	10 ⁻²²
Coupling sensitivity (SNR = 5)				
$ g_{a\gamma\gamma}/g_{a\gamma\gamma}^{\text{KSVZ}} $	—	280	9.0	0.90
$ g_{a\gamma\gamma}/g_{a\gamma\gamma}^{\text{DFSZ}} $	—	740	23	2.3
$\kappa/10^{-14}$	8400	22	0.7	0.07

Submitted to the Proceedings of the US Community Study on the Future of Particle Physics (Snowmass 2021)

2203.14923 (JL contributing author)

Snowmass 2021 White Paper Axion Dark Matter

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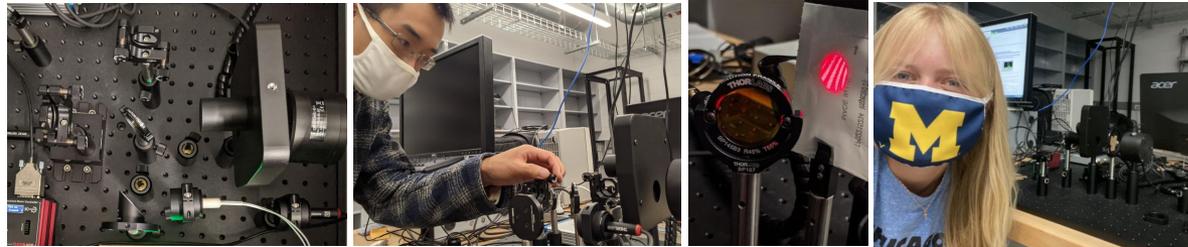
Well-aligned with UK Quantum Sensors for the Hidden Sector (PI: Ed Daw et al, qshs.org)

Hands on 1: build spectrometer to characterize optics

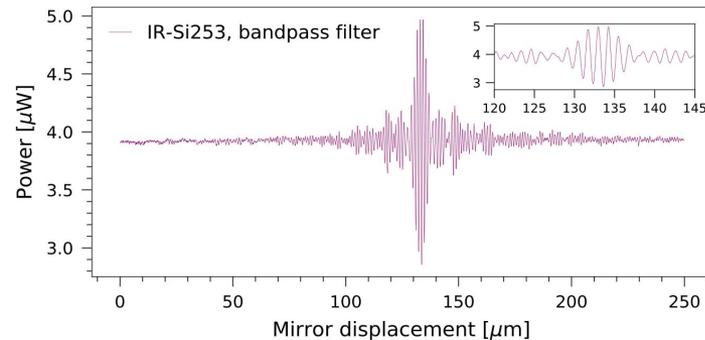
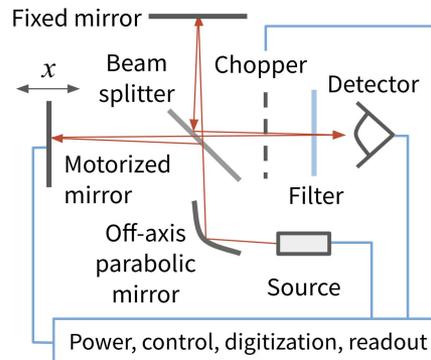
JANUARY 2020
Hardware arrival
& assembly



AUGUST
Laser
alignment



OCTOBER
Begin
measurements



APRIL 2021
Write up
2104.07157 (JINST)

Design and performance of a multi-terahertz Fourier transform spectrometer for axion dark matter experiments

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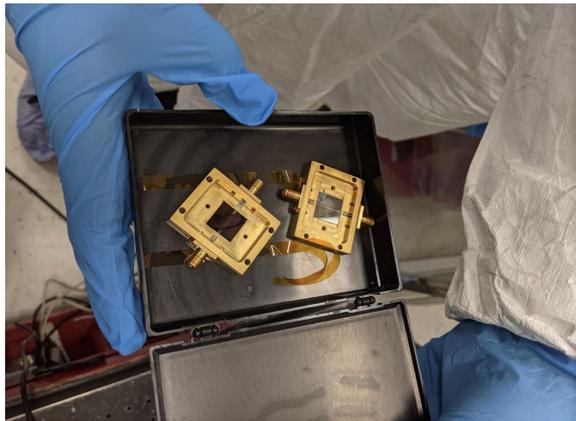
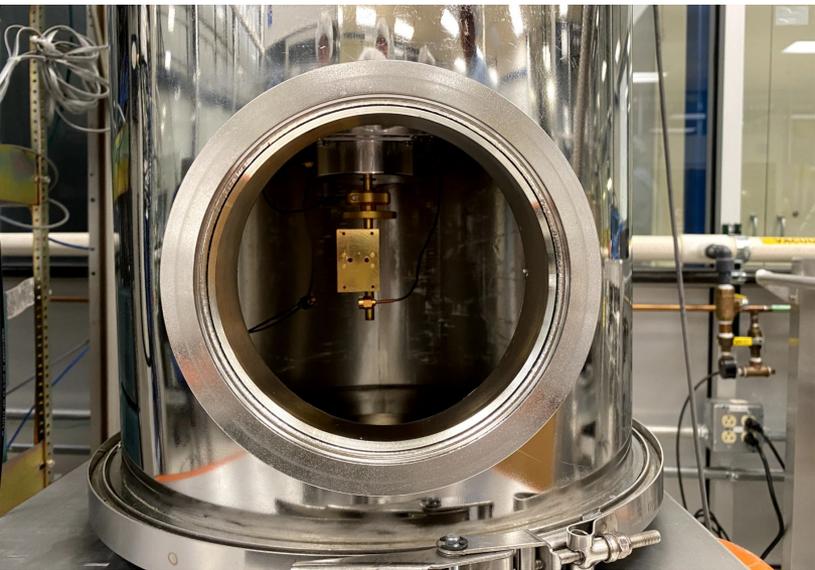
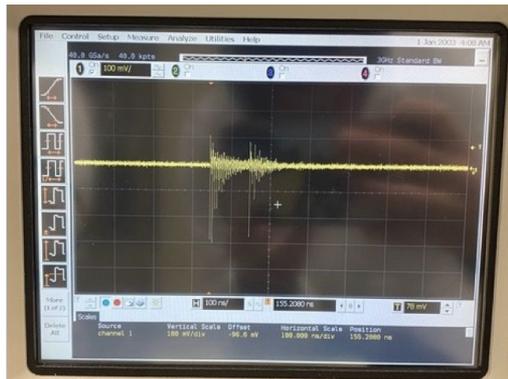
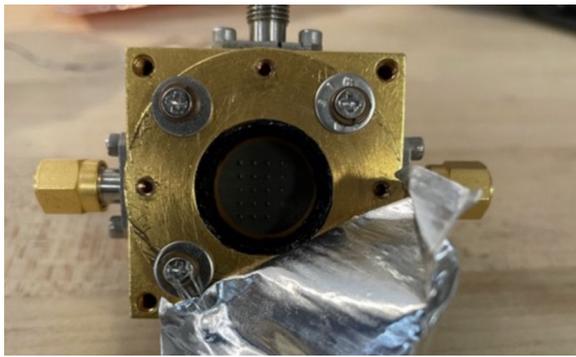
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Hands on 2: quantum photosensor testing @ Fermilab



Hands on 3: horn receiver, pilot reflector, magnet scouting

GHz horn receiver



Gabe Hoshino @ Chicago RF isolation room



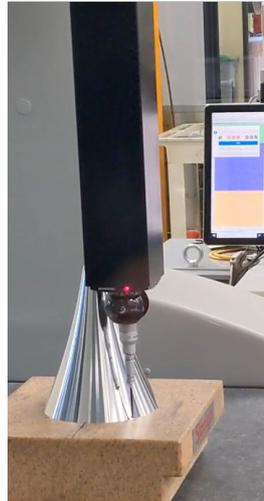
9.4 T MRI magnet @ UIC



BREAD meeting 🍪



Pilot dish antenna & reflector



Touch probe CMM



4 T MRI magnet @ Argonne



1st BREAD Collaboration meeting (Aug 2022)

Innovation at interdisciplinary interfaces

ASTRONOMY

Origins of habitability & life



QUANTUM TECHNOLOGY

Information & sensing

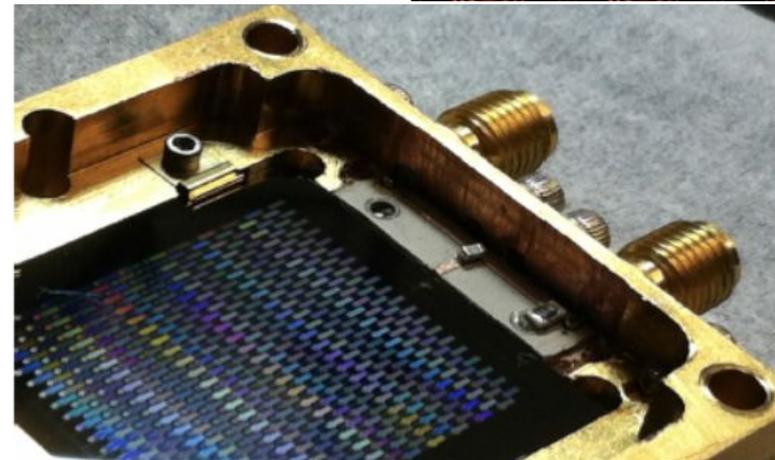
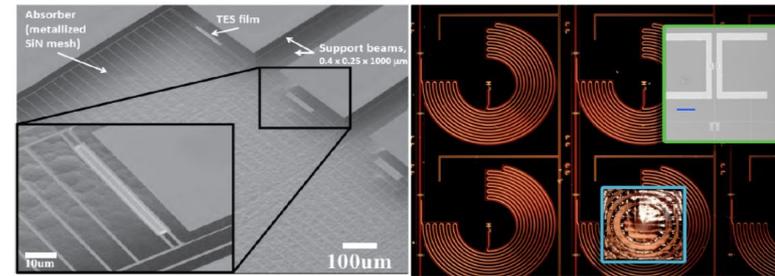


HOW DOES THE UNIVERSE WORK?
How do galaxies form stars, make metals, and grow their central supermassive black holes from reionization to today?
Using sensitive spectroscopic capabilities of a cold telescope in the infrared, Origins will measure properties of star-formation and growing black holes in galaxies across all epochs in the Universe.

HOW DID WE GET HERE?
How do the conditions for habitability develop during the process of planet formation?
With sensitive and high-resolution far-IR spectroscopy Origins will illuminate the path of water and its abundance to determine the availability of water for habitable planets.

ARE WE ALONE?
Do planets orbiting M-dwarf stars support life?
By obtaining precise mid-infrared transmission and emission spectra, Origins will assess the habitability of nearby exoplanets and search for signs of life.

SCIENCE DRIVERS FOR MISSION DESIGN



**“Think *Inside*, Think *Outside* the box.
Make connections to other fields”**

NSF Program Director at Snowmass Oct 2020

“Synergies between particle and astroparticle physics should be strengthened”

European Strategy Update Jun 2020

EPILOGUE

Neutron magnetic moment

When nature laughed in our 1930s faces

Theory: zero as it's neutral & pointlike

Nature: large AND negative haha ($g - 2 = -5.8$)

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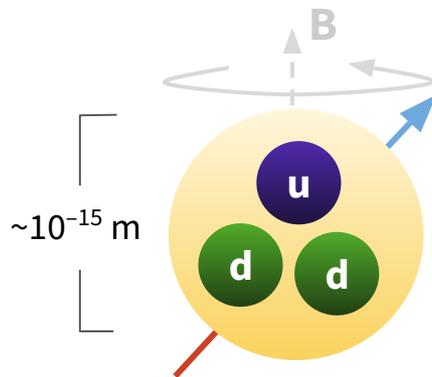
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Neutron magnetic moment

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NUCLEAR SUBSTRUCTURE
New confining strong force



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Today nuclear moments save lives
with MRI medical imaging

Nobel prize in Physiology or Medicine 2003

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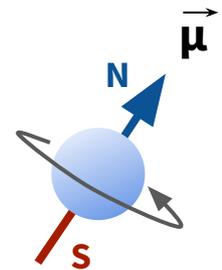
However, solution for neutron MDM
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MAGNETIC DIPOLE MOMENT (MDM)

Expectation: $g - 2 = 0$ (Dirac theory)

Reality: huge & negative! :O

Solved: new physics \rightarrow QCD ✓

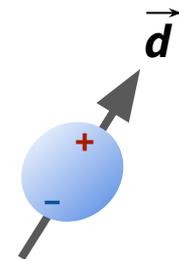


ELECTRIC DIPOLE MOMENT (EDM)

Expectation: large (strong CP violation)

Reality: 0 to 1 part per billion! :O

Solution: new physics \rightarrow axions...?



THANK YOU

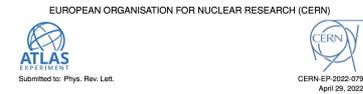
Colliding light for tau g – 2

ATLAS (JL Editor) 2204.13478, Accepted PRL

BREAD: new axion detector

JL, Dona et al PRL 128 (2022) 131801

*We must keep looking at Nature in unprecedented ways
Even if – especially if – it completely defies expectation*



Observation of the $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau$ process in Pb+Pb collisions and constraints on the τ -lepton anomalous magnetic moment with the ATLAS detector

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