

A scalable quantum architecture for dark matter detection

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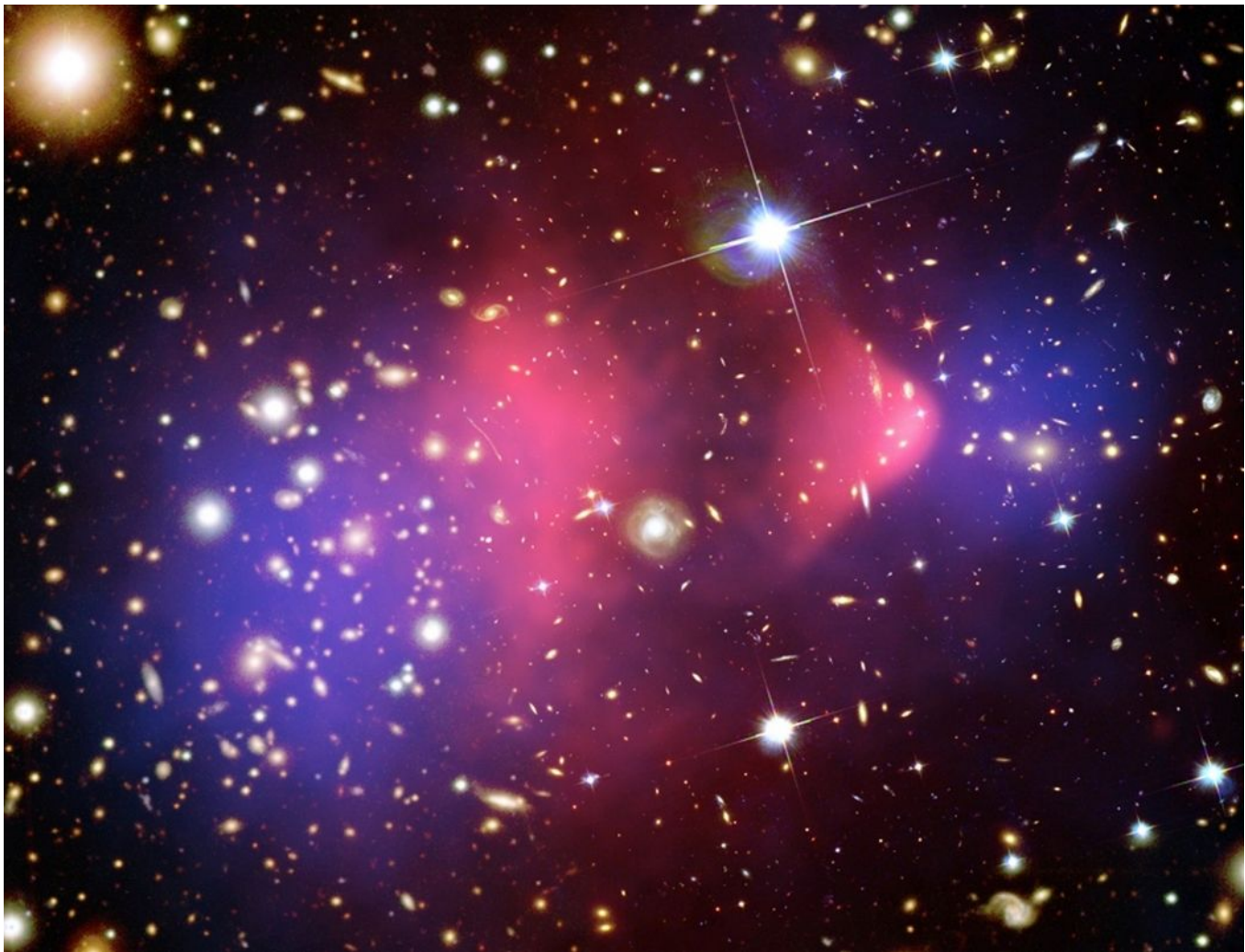


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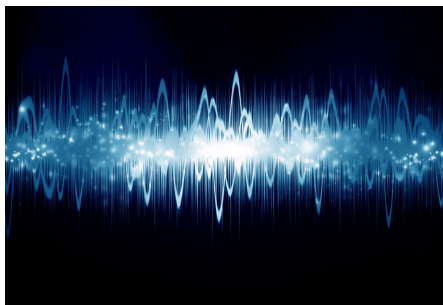
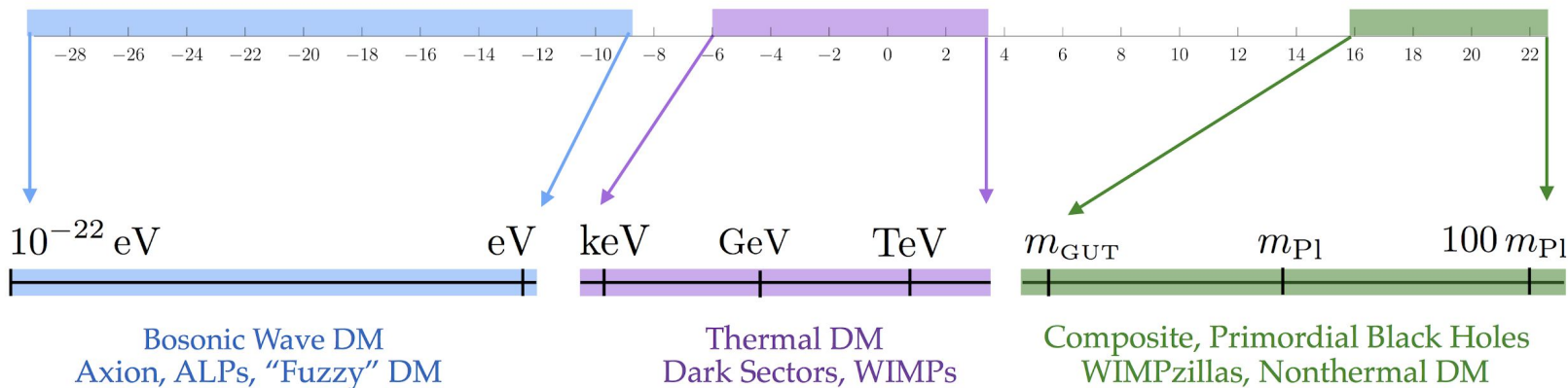


Based on

- *Gravitational direct detection of dark matter*
DC, S. Ghosh, G. Krnjaic, J. M. Taylor, 1903.00492
- *Ultralight dark matter detection with mechanical quantum sensors*
DC, A. Hook, Z. Liu, J. M. Taylor, Y. Zhao, 1908.04797
- Work in progress w/ above people
- Preliminary experimental work (details later in talk)



Dark Matter Mass $\log[m/\text{GeV}]$



$$n_{DM} \approx \frac{0.3}{\text{cm}^3} \left(\frac{1 \text{ GeV}}{m_\chi} \right)$$

Central questions

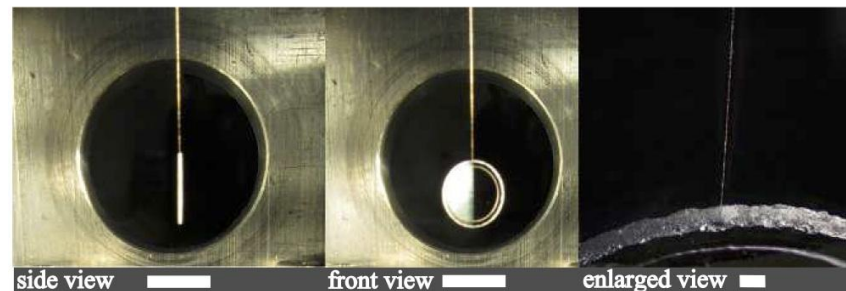
- What are the fundamental limits imposed by quantum mechanics on the detection of small forces/impulses?
- Given these limits, can we detect dark matter purely through its gravitational interaction? (Spoiler: yes, if heavy DM)
- Using the same technology, what other DM/particle physics targets can we look for?

Quantum force sensing

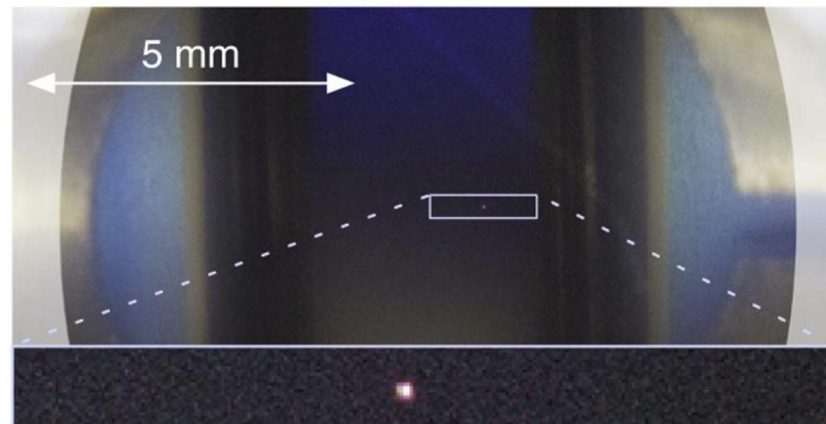
Wide variety of mechanical systems coupled to light used to do quantum-limited force sensing.

Routinely achieve force sensitivities at or below the 10^{-18-21} N/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ level.

These devices range from single electrons to huge devices (eg. LIGO $m = 40$ kg)



Matsumoto et al, PRA 2015



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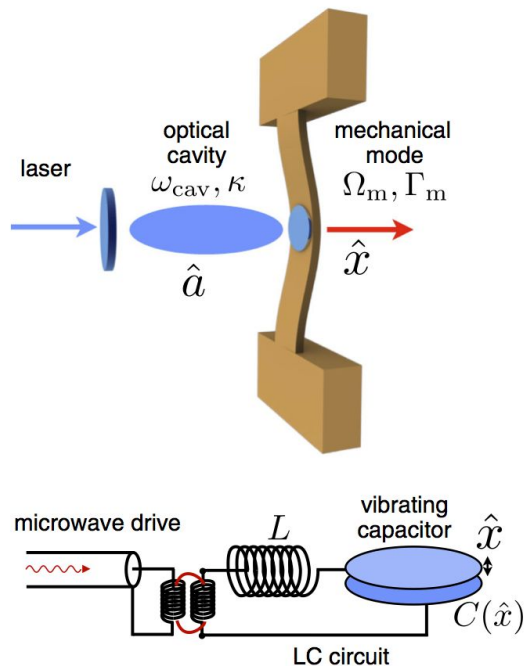
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Phys. Rev. Lett. **122**, 071101 – Published 19 February 2019

 See Synopsis: [Gravity of the Ultralight](#)

$$F_{\text{grav}} = G_N m^2/d^2 \sim 10^{-17} \text{ N for two masses } m = \text{mg separated by } d = \text{mm}$$

Quantum opto/electromechanical sensing



mechanics

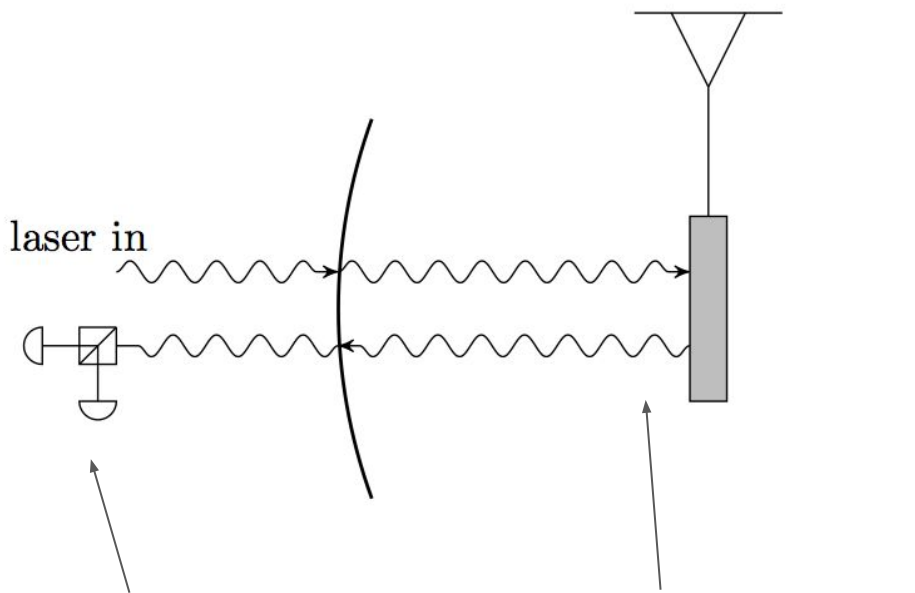
light

$$H_{OM} = gxX$$

drive-enhanced coupling $g \propto g_0 \sqrt{P}$

Strategy: imprint mechanical displacement onto light, measure light, infer force

Quantum measurement noise



Quantum mechanics imposes fundamental source of noise: the act of measurement itself.

Shot noise: random variations in laser phase read out in detector


Backaction noise: random variations in laser amplitude \rightarrow random radiation pressure on mechanics

Noise and sensitivity


Total (inferred) force acting on the sensor:

$$F_{\text{in}}(t) = F_{\text{sig}}(t) + F_{\text{th}}(t) + F_{\text{meas}}(t)$$

thermal noise forces
(environmental)



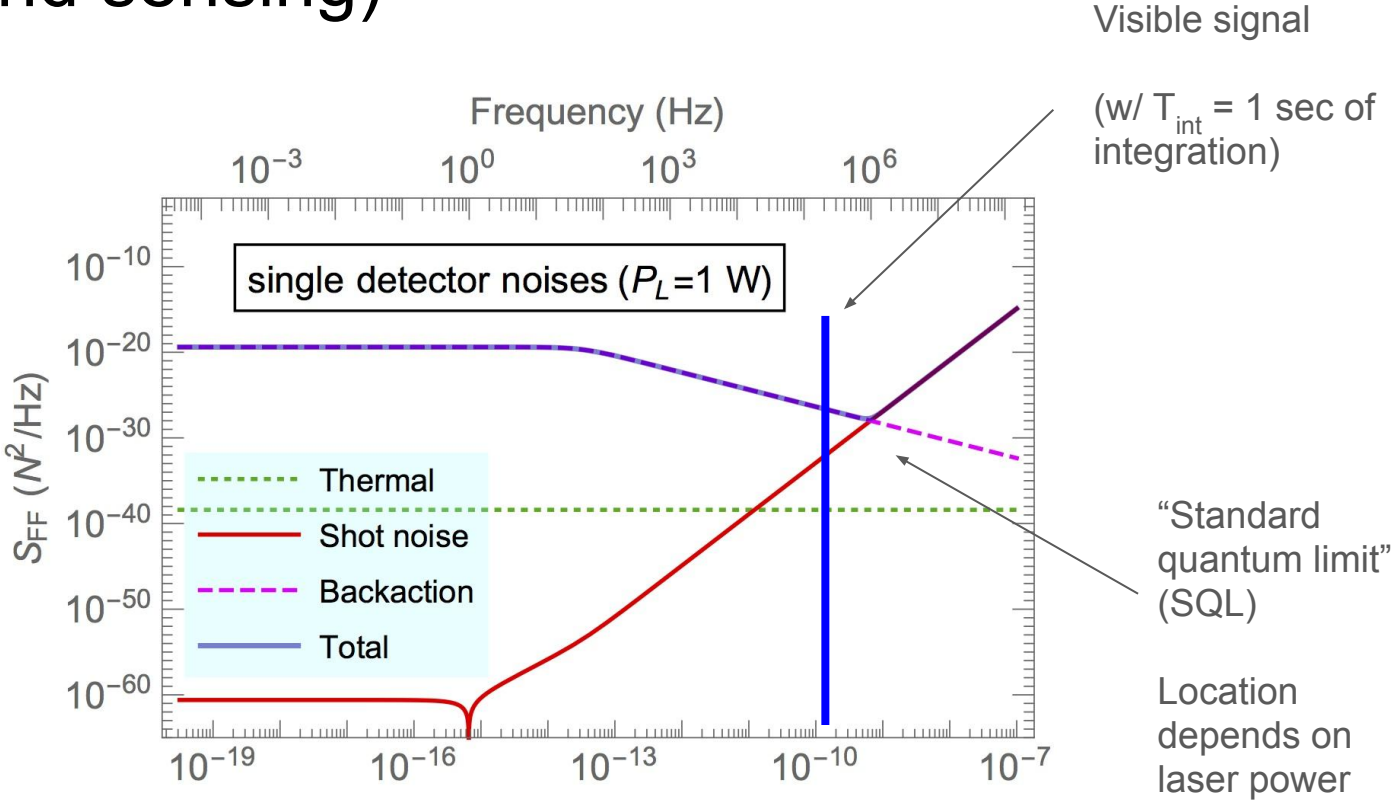
measurement added-noise force
(fundamental quantum issue)



Key in what follows:

Noise = stochastic, Brownian

Detecting monochromatic forces (narrowband sensing)



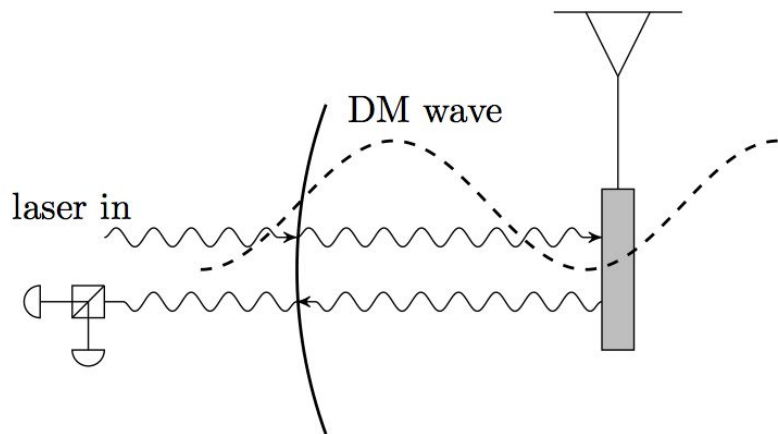
Ultralight DM detection

Suppose DM consists entirely of a single, very light field: $m\phi \lesssim 1 \text{ meV}$ ($\lambda \gtrsim 10^{-3} \text{ m}$).

Locally, this will look like a wave with wavelength $>$ detector size.

If the field couples to an extensive quantity, produces sinusoidal force, coherent for some time T_{coh} :

$$\mathcal{L}_{int} = g_{B-L} A \bar{n} n \quad \longrightarrow \quad F = g_{B-L} N_n F_0 \sin(\omega_s t)$$

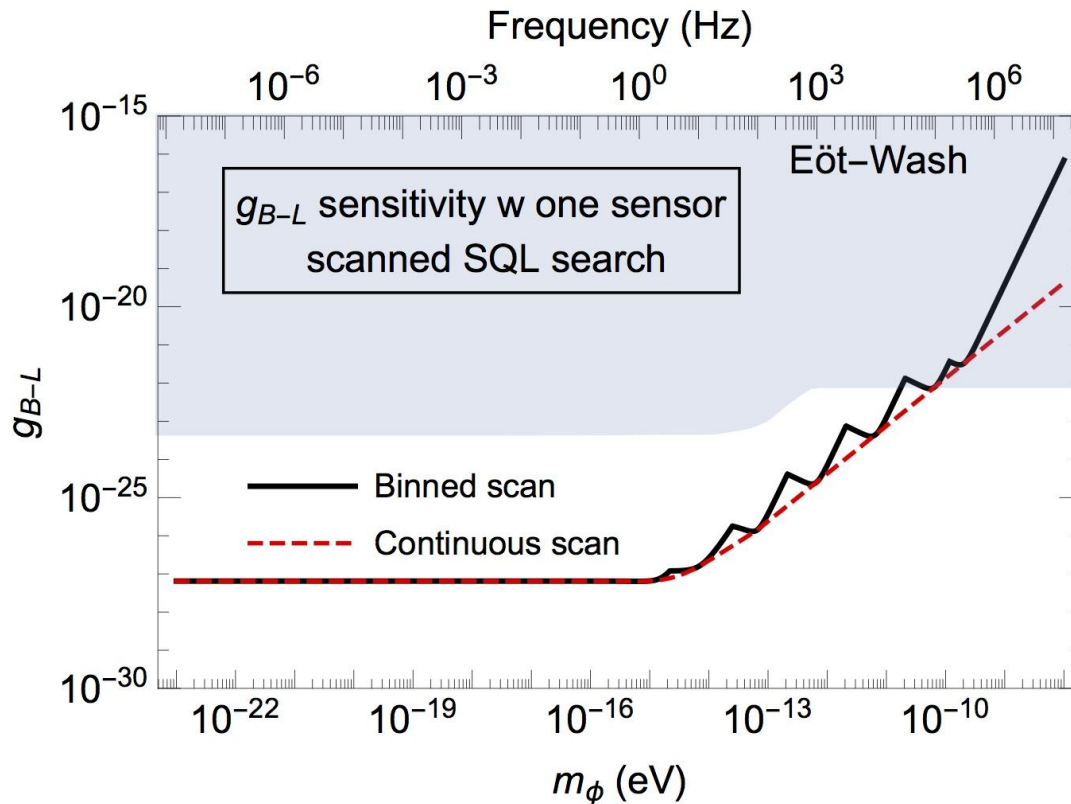


Detection strategy and reach

Tune laser to achieve SQL in “bins”.

Integrate as long as possible for each bin (coherence time or eg. laser stability limit)

NB: this is off-resonant, can do better with resonant scan, much more time intensive



Detecting fast impulses (broadband sensing)

Extreme example:

$$F(t) = \Delta p \square(t) \rightarrow F(\omega) = \Delta p / 2\pi \text{ flat distribution}$$

Sensitivity set by integral of noise over many frequencies

Cannot integrate for indefinite period of time \rightarrow calls for different measurement protocols

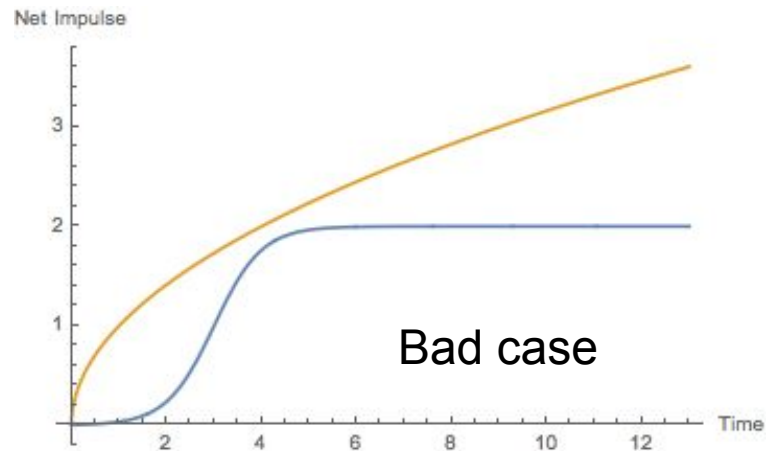
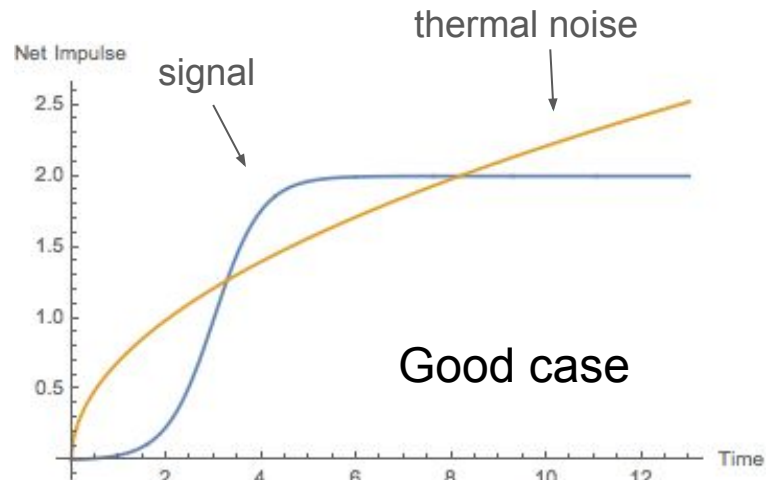
Signal to noise

As an observable we will use the total impulse delivered to the sensor:

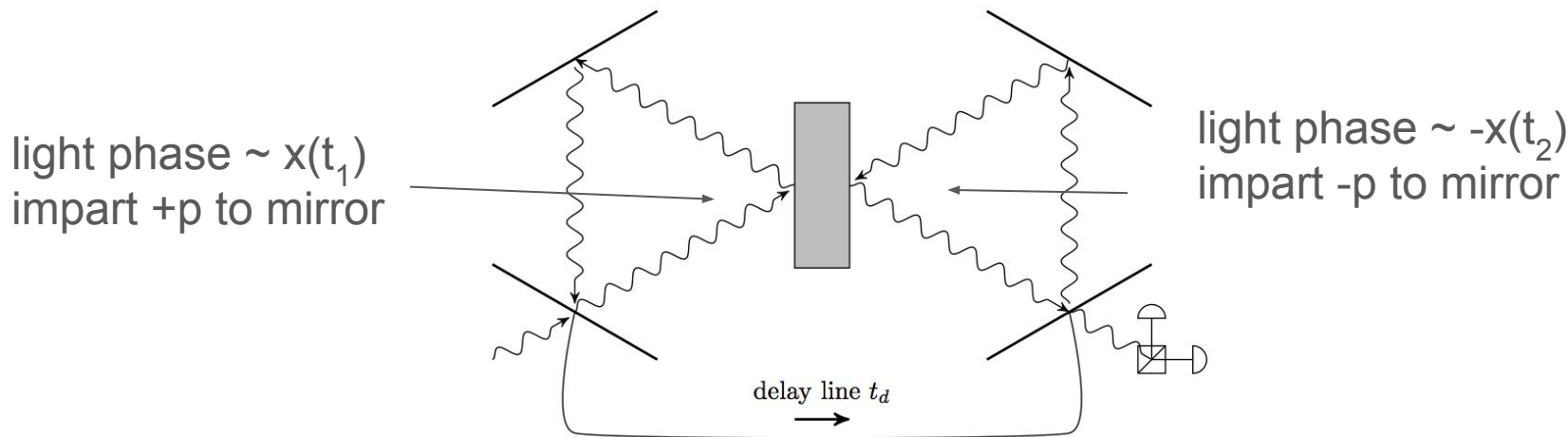
$$I = \int_{-t_{int}/2}^{t_{int}/2} dt F_{sig}(t)$$

The game is then to see this impulse above the noise:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \Delta I^2 \rangle &= \int dt dt' \langle F_{noise}(t) F_{noise}(t') \rangle \\ &= \Delta I_T^2 + \Delta I_{meas}^2\end{aligned}$$

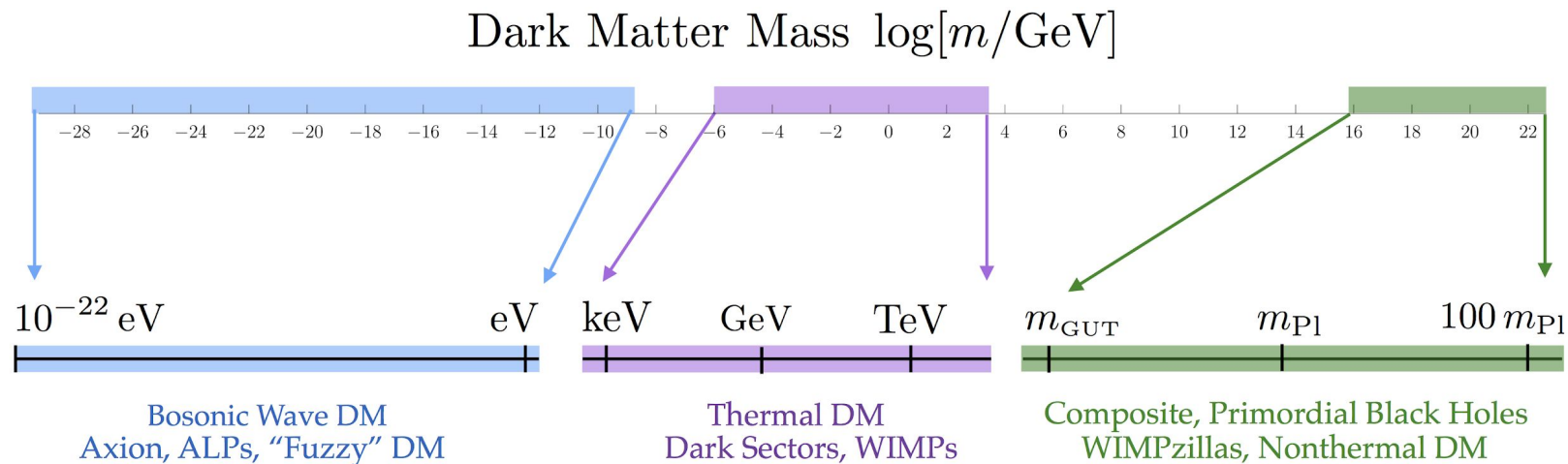


Impulse measurements naturally reduce noise



- Output light phase $\phi \sim x(t_1) - x(t_2) \sim v$, momentum transfer to sensor $\Delta p \sim 0$
- No radiation pressure (“backaction noise evasion”)

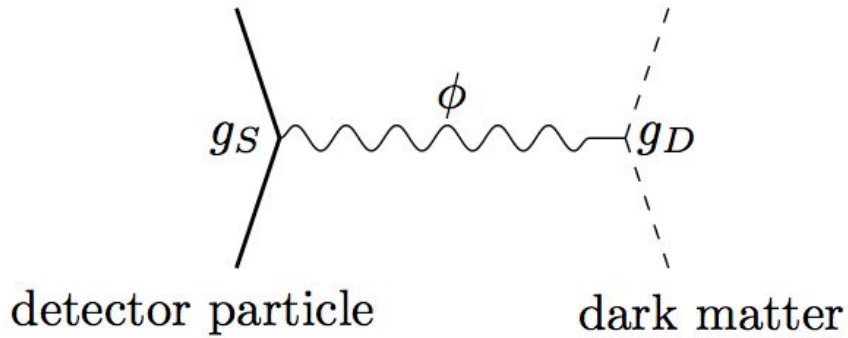
Heavier DM targets



$$n_{DM} \approx \frac{0.3}{\text{cm}^3} \left(\frac{1 \text{ GeV}}{m_\chi} \right)$$



DM-SM interactions via light mediators



$m_\phi \gtrsim 1 \text{ MeV}$ ($\lambda \lesssim 10^{-13} \text{ m}$)
dominated by single boson exchange
(eg. WIMP detection via Z exchange)

$m_\phi \lesssim 0.1 \text{ meV}$ ($\lambda \gtrsim 10^{-3} \text{ m}$)
dominated by eikonal limit
→ long-range force

$$V(r) = N_V g_V g_D \frac{e^{-r/\lambda}}{r}, \quad \lambda \equiv m_\phi^{-1}$$

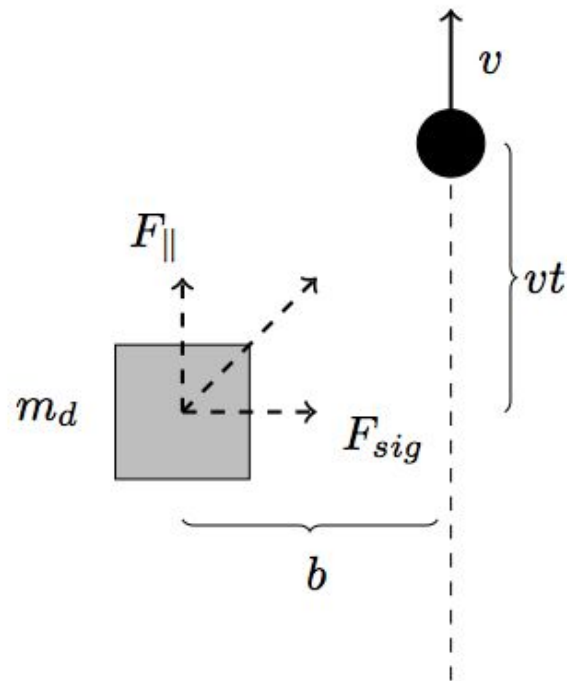
In particular: $\phi = \text{graviton}$ (exactly massless), $N g_V g_D \rightarrow G_N m_1 m_2$

Long-range DM detection

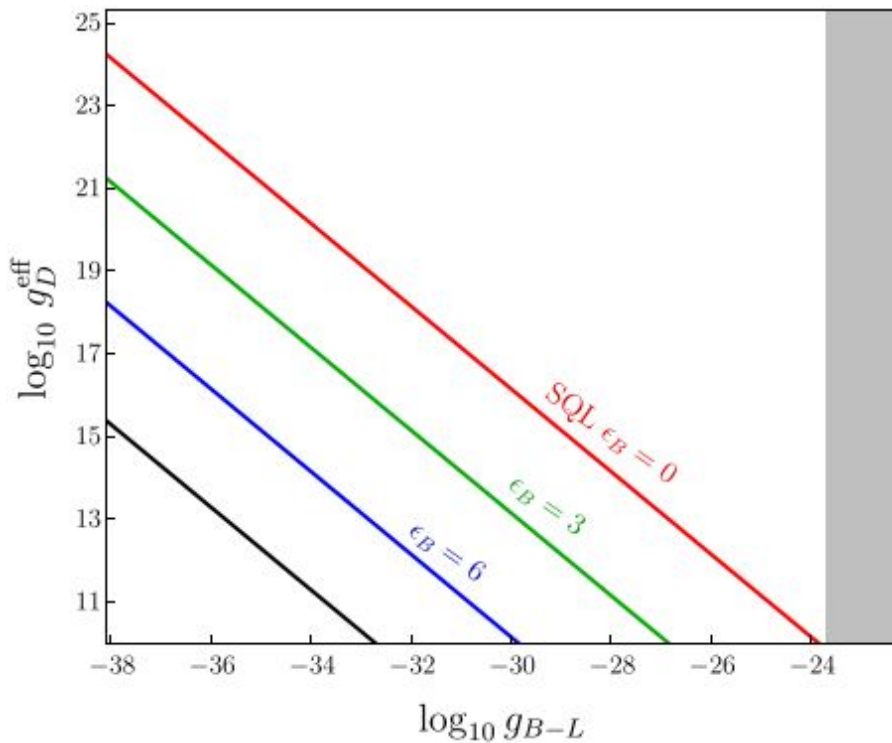
Motion of the Earth through the galaxy:
 $v \sim 220$ km/s

→ flyby time $\tau \sim b/v \sim 10^{-6-8}$ sec

→ signal: near-instantaneous impulse
(broadband up to MHz-GHz)



Detection reach with various noise reduction



$$\Delta I^2 = \Delta I_T^2 + \Delta I_{\text{meas}}^2$$


$$\Delta I_{\text{meas}} = 10^{-\epsilon_B} \Delta I_{\text{SQL}}$$

(NB: actual numbers are preliminary/
unpublished, but scaling is accurate)



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Array of sensors

In the impulse problem:

Signal $\sim 1/b^2$

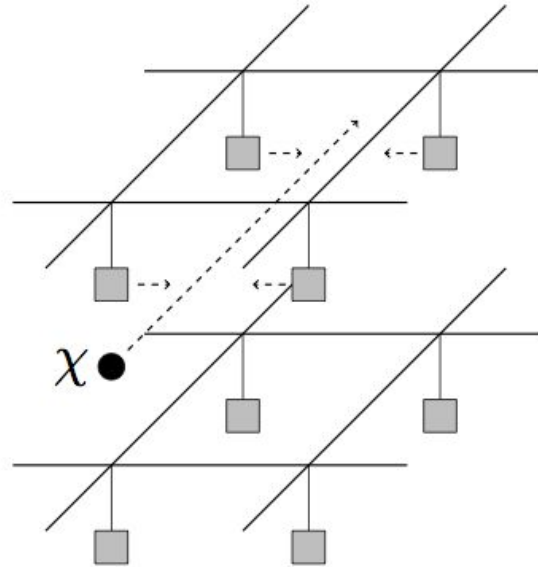
→ want small impact parameter

Number flux $\sim A/m\chi$

→ want large area

$$R = \frac{\rho v A}{m_\chi} \sim \frac{50}{\text{year}} \left(\frac{m_{\text{Pl}}}{m_\chi} \right) \left(\frac{A_d}{10^2 \text{ m}^2} \right)$$

Obvious solution: build a large, tightly packed array



Movie

Correlated signals vs. uncorrelated noise

$$\text{SNR} \sim \sqrt{N}$$

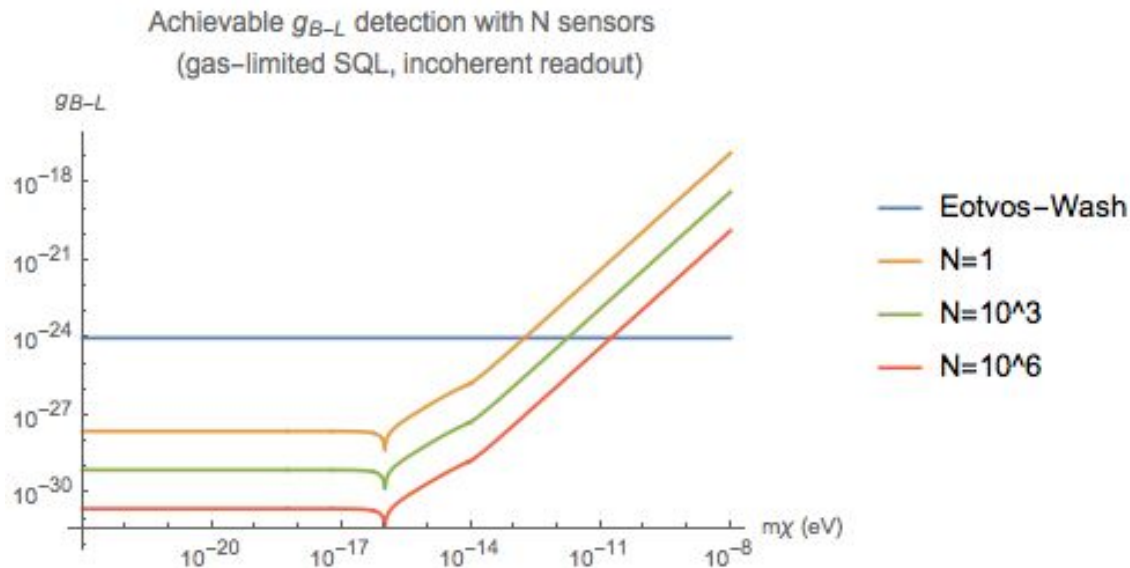
Impulse detection:

N = sensors near track

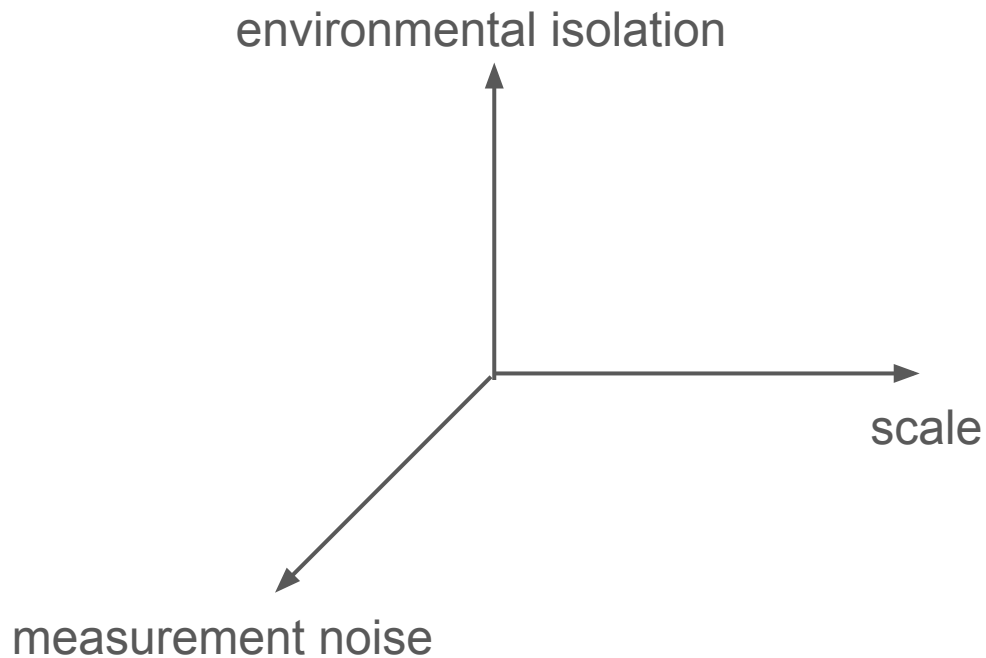
Ultralight detection:

N = total # sensors

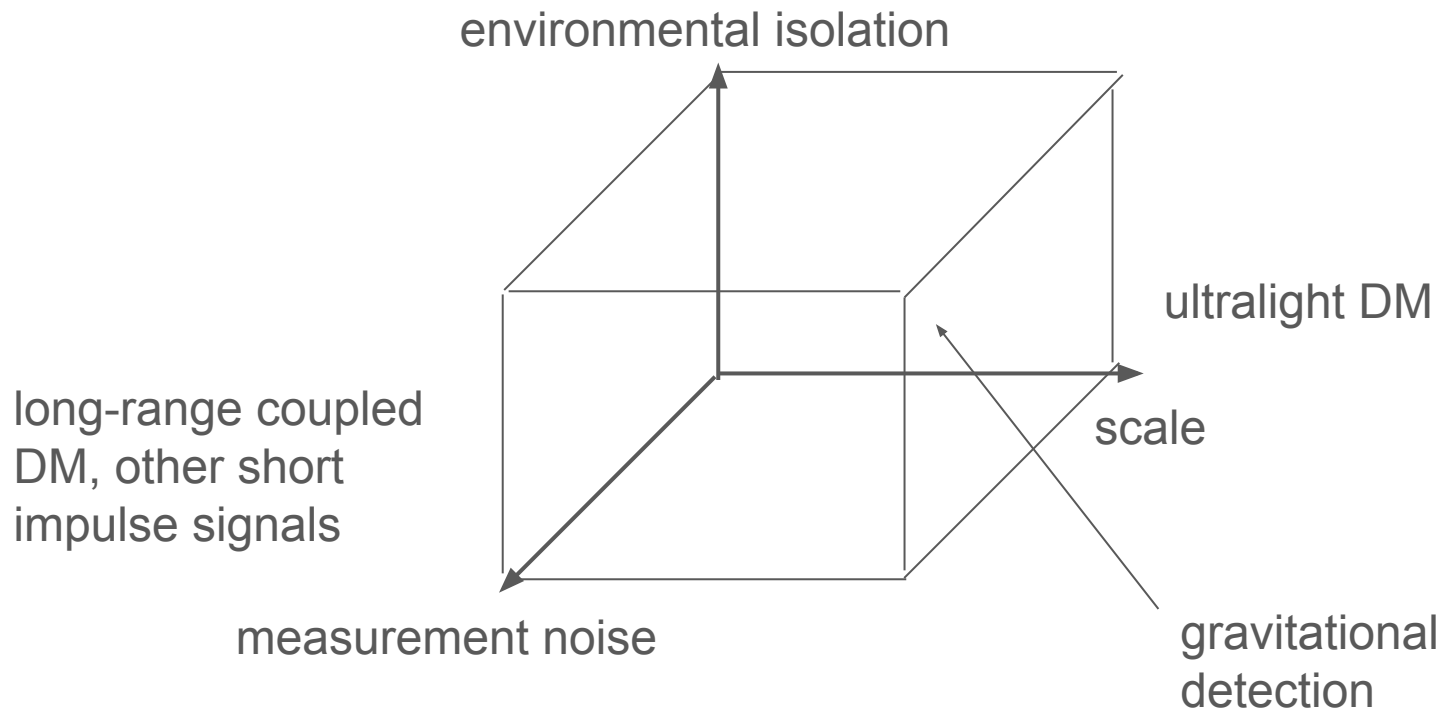
Also, crucial advantage:
exquisite background
rejection



Three big experimental asks



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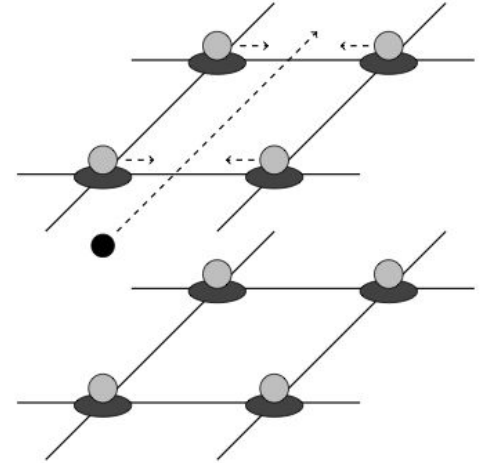
Gravitational detection is the end game

~10 million-1 billion sensors

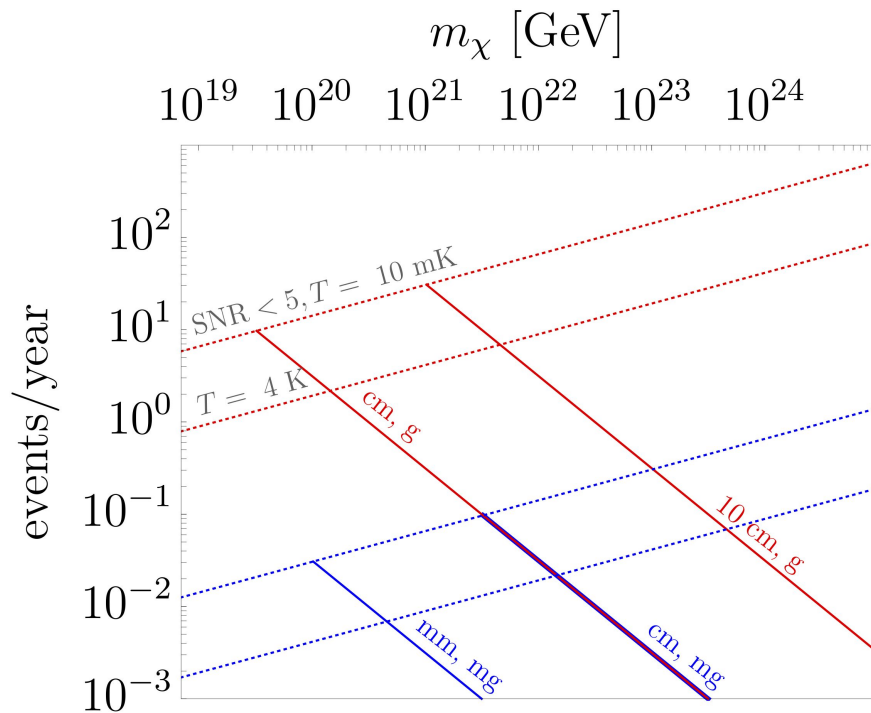
~10 mK &/or UHV environment

Thermally limited detection (~50 dB backaction evasion):

$$\text{SNR}^2 = \frac{G_N^2 m_\chi^2}{v} \frac{L}{d^4} \frac{m_d^2}{PA_d \sqrt{m_a k_B T}}$$
$$\approx 10^4 \times \left(\frac{m_\chi}{1 \text{ mg}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{m_d}{1 \text{ mg}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{1 \text{ mm}}{d} \right)^4$$



Direct DM detection via gravity



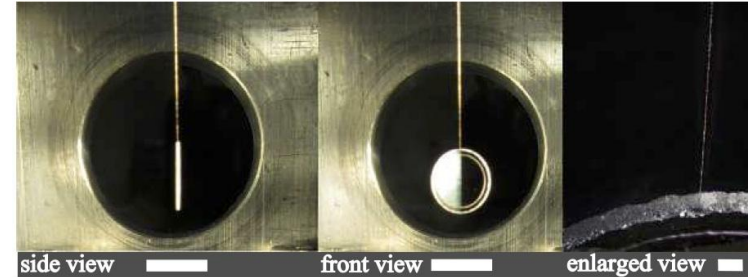
Science program

End goal: gravitational DM detection. Find or rule out any DM candidates with masses $\sim m_{\text{pl}}$ and up (until flux-limited).

Shorter term: ultralight detection, various long range force models,...

Experiments now beginning with pair of mg-scale pendula ~ 1 kHz, ultralight search & tech pathfinder.

Single physical array, with multiple detection modes controlled by state prep & readout



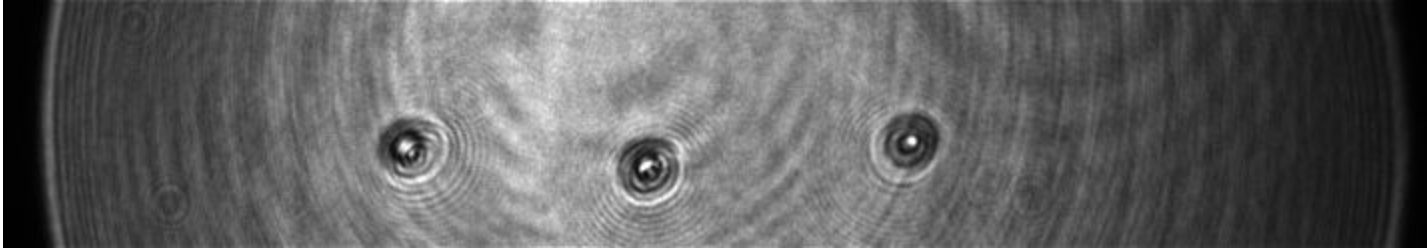


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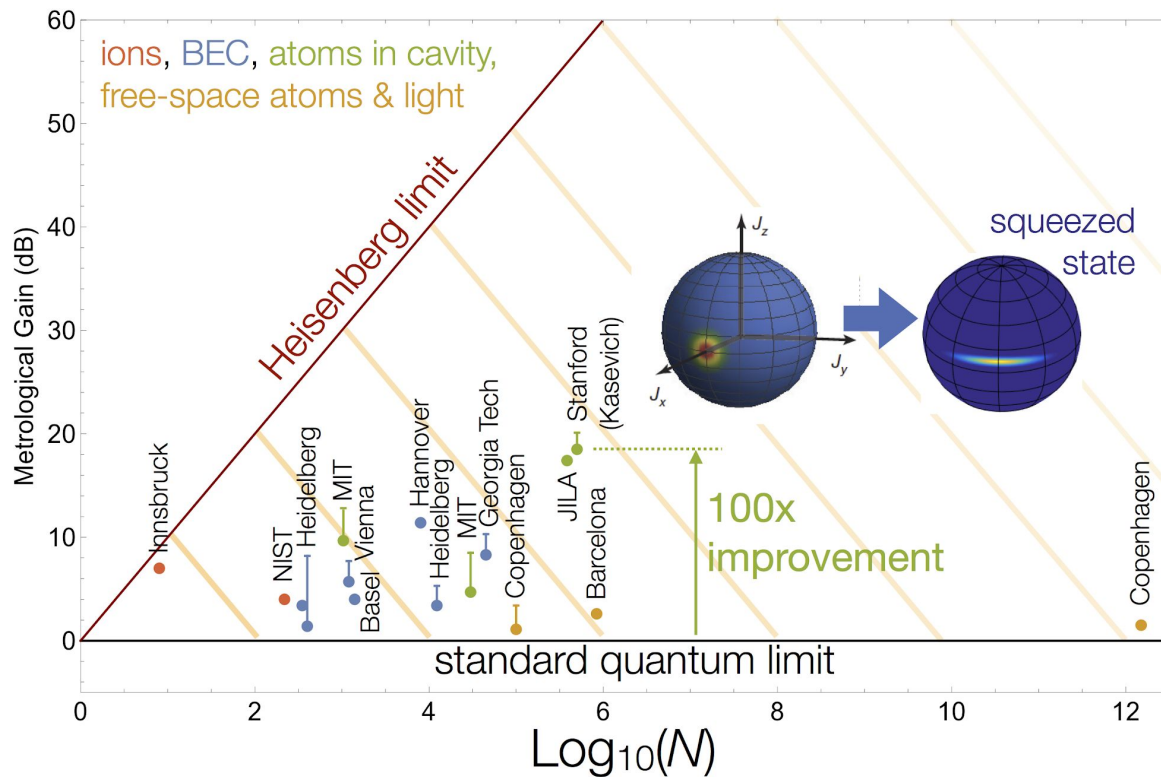
Can we do gravitational detection of sub-Planck candidates?

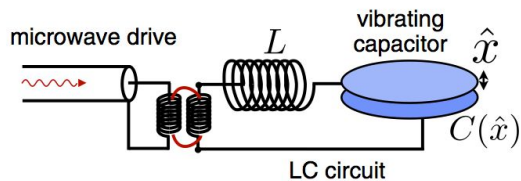
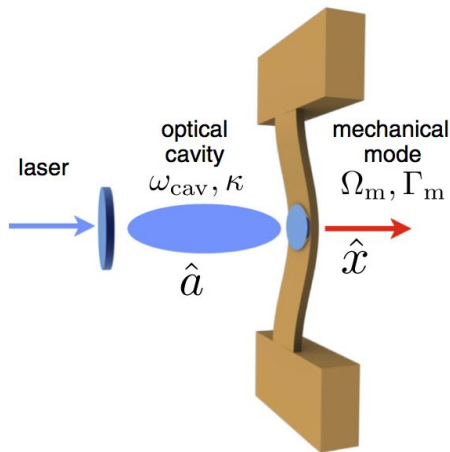
Can we go below the thermal noise floor? (Quantum error correction?)

What other targets are there--eg. DM-SM with heavy mediators?
“Chunky” DM candidates? Neutrinos? Gravitational waves?
→ Each requires its own measurement strategy (but with same physical devices!)

How do we physically implement large arrays?

Entanglement-Enhanced Measurements





$$\dot{X} = -\Delta Y - \frac{\kappa}{2} X + X_{in}$$

$$\dot{Y} = \Delta Y - \frac{\kappa}{2} Y + Y_{in} + \frac{gx}{x_0}$$

$$\dot{x} = \frac{p}{m}$$

$$\dot{p} = -m\omega_m^2 x - \gamma p + F_{in} + \frac{\hbar g X}{x_0}$$

Damping/loss

"Input noise"
(note signal is part of F_{in})

Non-gravitational DM detection targets

Very broadly, we should be sensitive to anything that produces a classical force!

In terms of DM, obvious guess is to then consider any DM scenario with a boson of mass $m_\phi < \text{meV} \sim 1 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ that couples to standard model.

# new particles	type of particles	signal
1	Boson $m_\phi < \text{meV}$	coherent waves
≥ 2	+others, mass arbitrary	long-range DM-SM couplings

Detecting monochromatic forces at the SQL

The “SQL” is a frequency-dependent concept: Tune laser power to a certain value → achieve SQL at a certain frequency

