





Dark matter in the Milky Way & implications for axion experiments



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Axion experiments & the local dark matter distribution

- Astrophysical assumptions and uncertainties in 1. direct axion searches
- Recent discoveries about the Milky Way's halo 2. Axion experiments as astronomical instruments 3.



To calculate an experimental signal of dark matter we need to know 1. How much dark matter there is around the Earth, *ρ*2. How fast it's moving, *v*

Particle-like



Number density $n_{\chi} = \rho/m_{\chi}$

Flux $\Phi = vn_{\chi}$

Wave-like



Amplitude
$$A = \frac{\sqrt{2\rho}}{m_{\chi}}$$

Frequency $\omega = m_{\chi} + \frac{1}{2}m_{\chi}v^2$

$$\mathrm{d}N = f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}, t) \,\mathrm{d}^3 x \,\mathrm{d}^3 v$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \nabla_x f \cdot \mathbf{v} - \nabla_v f \cdot$$

Liouville's theorem: $f(\mathbf{x}(t), \mathbf{v}(t)) = \text{const.}$ along particle trajectories $\mathbf{x}(t), \mathbf{v}(t)$, as long as *f* is not evolving, $\partial f / \partial t = 0$

Can get the distribution at Earth, by finding the velocities of particles falling in to the experiment from infinity.

In more detail, what we need is the Galactic dark matter phase space distribution observed in the laboratory's rest frame

 $\nabla_{\mathbf{r}} \Phi = 0 \quad \leftarrow Collisionless Boltzmann eq.$

 $\rightarrow f(\mathbf{x}_{\oplus}, \mathbf{v}_{\oplus}) = f(\mathbf{x}_{\infty}, \mathbf{v}_{\infty})$

Most of the time \rightarrow results in a measured $f(\mathbf{v})$ given by a Galilean boost into rest frame of laboratory, $f(\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{v}_{lab}) \dots$ (Ignores spatial variation of *f*, and gravitational fields of Sun/Earth, though these are potentially important)





The usual assumption for $f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})$: the Standard Halo Model \rightarrow very reasonable, if all you are going for is a simple model that is broadly correct, if not in detail

•Infinite isothermal sphere \rightarrow Simplest halo model that gives a flat asymptotic rotation curve

$$\rho \sim 1/r^2$$
$$f(\mathbf{v}) \sim \exp(-|\mathbf{v}^2|/v_{\rm circ}^2)$$



•Most implementations also correct for the finite extent of the real MW halo, by truncating at v_{esc} . Important when you are most sensitive to high speed tail (e.g. light DM), but trivial otherwise









Accounting for distribution of velocities in the description of the oscillating axion field

$$a(\mathbf{x},t) = \frac{\sqrt{2\rho_a}}{m_a} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^3 \mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3} |.$$

Coherence time: time scale for oscillation to dephase

$$\tau_a = \frac{2\pi}{m_a \sigma_v^2} \simeq 40 \,\mu \mathrm{s} \,\left(\frac{100 \,\mu \mathrm{eV}}{m_a}\right)$$









Signal is coherent over experimental volume, and oscillates many times per observation duration \rightarrow FT of signal timeseries approaches f(v)



Desirably, we run an experiment for $T \gg \tau_a$, and $L \leq \lambda_a$

Axion signal is stronger for higher densities and narrower distributions



$$\longrightarrow \frac{\mathrm{d}P_s}{\mathrm{d}\omega} \propto \frac{\rho_a g_{a\gamma}^2}{m_a^2} f(v)$$

+ Experimental noise + Fundamental noise from random distribution of phases of the axion field*

> *See: Derevianko [1605.09717] Foster+ [1711.10489] Centers+ [1905.13650]





As long as we agree on some benchmark parameters that are roughly correct, e.g. $\rho \sim 0.3 \text{ GeV cm}^{-3}$ and $v_0 \sim 220 \text{ km s}^{-1}$, do the precise values matter?

cajohare.github.io/AxionLimits/





Yes... but this must be reckoned with when targeting a precise model prediction

If we were just comparing



Issue becomes very relevant when we think about, for example, the scanning rate required for a cavity to reach a specific axion model with some fixed (E/N - 1.92)



If our assumed value of $\rho_{\rm dm}$ was too large by, say, 0.15 GeV / cm³ this means DFSZ would take more than twice as long to exclude

 $\searrow P_{\rm axion} \propto \rho_{\rm dm} m_a^2 \, QV B^2 \left(\frac{E}{N} - 1.92\right)^2$



History of the local DM density used in haloscope publications



ADMX 0.45 GeV/cm³ 2009

2018 0.63 GeV/cm³

We report preliminary results from a search for galactic axions in the frequency range $1.09 < f_a < 1.22$ GHz. For an axion linewidth $\Gamma_a \leq 200$ Hz we obtain the experimental limit $(g_{a\gamma\gamma}/m_a)^2 \rho_a < 1.4 \times 10^{-41}$. The theoretical prediction is $(g_{a\gamma\gamma}/m_a)^2 \rho_a = 3.9 \times 10^{-44}$ with $\rho_a = 300 \text{ MeV/cm}^3$. We have also searched for the presence of a continuous spectrum of light pseudoscalar particles, if we assume that the above ρ_a is contained between the upper and lower frequencies of our search, then we find that $g_{a\gamma\gamma} < 2 \times 10^{-30}$ $MeV^{1/2} cm^{3/2} \approx 10^{-11} GeV^{-1}$.



Maxwellian and N-body astrophysical models, shown in Fig. 4. We are able to exclude both DFSZ axions distributed in the isothermal halo model that make up 100% of dark matter with a density of 0.45 GeV/cm^3 and DFSZ axions with the N-body inspired linesnape and the predicted density of 0.63 GeV/cc between the frequencies 645 and 676 MHz. This result is a factor of 7 improvement in power sensitivity over previous results and the

Can we infer ρ_{dm} from astronomy?

 $\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \nabla_x f \cdot \mathbf{v} - \nabla_v f \cdot \nabla_x \Phi = 0 \longrightarrow \text{Distribution function} \xrightarrow{\text{(collisionless) Boltzmann eq.}}$

Local measure

(kinematics of nearby stars)



Pro: density that we are interested in Con: sensitive to baryonic density model

Poission eq. $\nabla_x^2 \Phi = 4\pi G\rho \longrightarrow$ Grav. potential \rightarrow matter density

Global measure

(build mass model for MW)



Pro: Average over a lot of halo/disk Con: less direct measure of local density

Local measures e.g. Sivertsson+ [1708.07836] $0.46 \pm \sim 0.1 \, \text{GeV} / \text{cm}^3$



• Global measure has tiny statistical errors, but inferred over large scales

Global measures e.g. Eilers+ [1810.09466] 0.3 ± 0.03 GeV/cm³



•Local measures give the more relevant density but are still systematics dominated



Recent estimates Hagen+[1802.09291] Buch+ [1808.05603] Widmark [1811.07911] de Salas+ [1906.06133] Eilers+ [1810.09466] Benito+ [1901.02460]



What do we expect a more accurate axion signal to look like?

→ For sure, it will modulate annually due to the orbit of the Earth: an essential signal to confirm a detection of DM, but are we confident about the structure of f(v)?

 $f(v) \sim v^2 \exp(i t)$



$$\left(-\frac{(\mathbf{v}+\mathbf{v}_{\text{lab}}(t))^2}{2\sigma_v^2}\right)?$$





What do we expect a more accurate f(v) to look like?



Numerous studies comparing SHM's Maxwellian f(v) with simulated MW analogues







1.7 billion stars (1% of MW)
1.3 billion in 5D (α,δ,ῶ,μ_{α*},μ_δ)
7 million in 6D (*x*,*y*,*z*,*v_x,<i>v_y*,*v_z*)



Structure of the Milky Way

Thick disc: Older stars (ages > 8 billion years)

Globular Clusters

Thin disc: Younger stars (ages < 8 billion years) and gas

Halo: Oldest stars
 (ages > 10 billion years)

Bulge: Older stars

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Dark/stellar halo connection

Suggestions from simulations that if you can find nearby accreted stars in the stellar halo, you can use them to trace the kinematics of nearby accreted DM Necib+ [1810.12301] Speed dist. (radial dir.) in MW-like galaxy in high res. FIRE simulation





What does the stellar halo look like?

Sample of Gaia-SDSS main sequence stars from stellar halo within 10 kpc



[Fe/H]<-1.5



- Round velocity ellipsoid
- ~30% of main sequence halo sample
- More metal-poor on average



"Metal-rich" halo

- Highly eccentric radial orbits
- Dominant contribution ~50%
- Characteristic metallicity [Fe/H] = -1.4

"Gaia Enceladus" 1806.06038

The merger that led to the formation of the Milky Way's inner stellar halo and thick disk

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"Gaia Sausage" 1802.03414

Co-formation of the disc and the stellar halo*

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Figs 2 and 3. The radically radial component of the nearby stellar halo is also the one that contains the most metal-rich halo stars, in agreement with the mass-metallicity relationship observed in dwarf galaxies (Kirby et al. 2013). Note, however, that in the (v_r, v_θ) plane the density distribution of this sausage-like population is not exactly Gaussian, as manifested by a pronounced excess of stars with high positive/negative radial velocity (see Fig. 3). We believe, though,





The great debate: which of the equally terrible names should we use for this discovery? **Gaia-Enceladus?** Gaia-Enceladus/Sausage? Gaia radially anisotropic substructure? Gaia-Sausage?

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The Fall of a Giant. Chemical evolution of Enceladus, alias the Gaia Sausage

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Astrophysics > Astrophysics of Galaxies

Sausage & Mash: the dual origin of the Galactic thick disc and halo from the gasrich Gaia-Enceladus-Sausage merger

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We analyse a set of cosmological magneto-hydrodynamic simulations of the formation of Milky Way-mass galaxies identified to have a prominent radially anisotropic stellar halo component similar to the so-called "Gaia Sausage" found in the Gaia data. We examine the effects of the progenitor of the Sausage (the Gaia-Enceladus-Sausage, GES) on the formation of major galactic components analogous to the Galactic thick disc and inner stellar halo. We find that the GES merger is likely to have been gas-rich and contribute 10-50% of gas to a mergerinduced centrally concentrated starburst that results in the rapid formation of a compact, rotationally supported thick disc that occupies the typical chemical thick disc region of chemical abundance space. We find evidence that gas-rich mergers heated the proto-disc of the Galaxy,

The dark matter component of the Gaia radially anisotropic substructure

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Cosmological insights into the assembly of the radial and compact stellar halo of the Milky Way

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(Submitted on 6 Mar 2020)

Recent studies using Gaia DR2 have identified a massive merger in the history of the Milky Way (MW) whose debris is markedly radial and counterrotating. This event, known as the Gaia-Enceladus/Gaia-Sausage (GE/GS), is also hypothesized to have built the majority of the inner stellar halo. We use the cosmological hydrodynamic simulation







were brought in by a 4:1 merger with a $10^{9-10} M_{\odot}$ stellar mass galaxy, 8-10 billion years ago -> Highly radial orbits suggest low-inclination head-on collision



Helmi et al. [1806.06038]

Distinct chemodynamical signature implies that the highly radial stars

Further evidence:

*Stellar density break at 20 kpc from pileup of stars at apocentre Deason+[1805.10288]

- * Dynamical heating of thick disk stars into halo-like orbits (the "Spash") Belokurov+ [1909.04679, 2008.02280]
- * Connected to at least 8 known GCs Myeong+ [1805.00453]



More on the sausage...







Q: What % of the local dark halo is made of sausage?

•Well represented in stellar halo*: e.g. ~50% of all MS stars within 10 kpc in *Gaia*-SDSS halo sample + and plentiful in other pops. •Necib+ [1810.12301]: ~40±25% of local DM accreted from luminous mergers is in Sausage-like form (FIRE sim)

• Fattahi+ [1810.07779]: $\leq 10\%$ of local DM within 20 kpc brought in by Sausage-like events (Auriga sim) • Evans+ [1810.11468]: sphericity of equipotentials means that fraction of halo mass in a triaxial figure should be $\leq 20\%$

>0%?

However:

*[see '17-'20 papers by Helmi+, Naidu+, Myeong+, Koppelman+, Belokurov+, Matsuno+... and many others cited later in this talk]





Flux of DM from the Sausage versus the rest of the halo



Cygnus constellation



Anisotropy of velocity ellipsoid

•Influence of the Sausage makes axion linewidth slightly wider in the is integrated over

 $f(v_r, v_\phi, v_z)$

galactic radial direction than the other two directions... but this information



Is this important for an axion signal model?





Surprisingly, not very important → More important for directional and annual modulation searches, see later...

Generic result of hierarchical structure formation: Streams of stars/DM from tidally stripped GCs, dwarfs, subhalos ...



Finding streams

• Far away streams can be seen projected on the sky:



90°

• Nearby streams (including ones we are inside of) must be searched for in phase space:



A galaxy is built from orbits

Each star sits at a location in 6D (x,y,z,v_x,v_y,v_z)



Phase space

(integrate orbit assuming grav. potential)

Vertical action (J_7)



Radial action (J_R) Azimuthal action (J_{ϕ}) Vertical action (J_z)





Local action-space substructures in Gaia DR2+SDSS

Many high significance structures with orbits intersecting solar position e.g."S1/Sequoia" and "S2/Helmi streams"

Name Nur of s $\mathbf{S1}$ \mathbf{a} 8 ь Rg2 Rg5a Retrograde Rg5b Rg6a Rg6b Rg7a Rg7b Cand8a Cand8b Cand9 Cand10 Cand11a Cand11b Cand12 Prograde Cand13 Cand14a Cand14b Cand15a Cand15b Cand16a Cand16b Cand17

Myeong+ [1804.07050] O'Hare+[1909.04684]

mber	(X, Y, Z)	$(\Delta X, \Delta Y, \Delta Z)$	(v_R,v_ϕ,v_z)	$(\sigma_R,\sigma_\phi,\sigma_z)$	$\langle [Fe/H] \rangle$
stars	kpc	kpc	${\rm kms^{-1}}$	${\rm kms^{-1}}$	
28	(8.4, 0.6, 2.6)	(0.7, 1.8, 2.2)	$\left(-34.2,-306.3,-64.4 ight)$	(81.9, 46.3, 62.9)	-1.9 ± 0.3
16	(8.7, 0.4, 0.1)	(0.7, 1.2, 6.9)	(5.8, 163.6, -250.4)	(45.9, 13.8, 26.8)	-2.0 ± 0.2
8	(10.1, 0.2, 3.3)	(4.9, 0.7, 1.4)	(-50.6, 138.5, 183.1)	(90.8, 25.0, 43.8)	-2.0 ± 0.3
13	(8.9, 0.3, 4.4)	(0.8, 2.1, 2.7)	(44.5, -248.4, 185.2)	(105.9, 23.1, 63.5)	-1.6 ± 0.2
15	(8.4, 0.8, 1.1)	(1.0, 1.3, 3.3)	(6.4, -74.5, -159.5)	(32.4, 17.5, 31.7)	-2.2 ± 0.3
4	(8.1, -0.2, 2.2)	(1.1, 1.2, 2.4)	(-37.6, -83.8, 178.1)	(47.5, 16.8, 31.1)	-2.1 ± 0.3
17	(8.3, 0.2, 3.3)	(1.8, 1.4, 2.0)	(105.1, -230.2, 202.4)	(73.7, 16.8, 86.6)	-1.6 ± 0.2
2	(8.5, 0.9, 3.2)	(1.5, 1.5, 2.2)	(-233.2, -221.8, 51.6)	(32.7, 14.4, 115.7)	-1.7 ± 0.3
5	(8.2, 0.5, 3.3)	(2.1, 1.5, 3.3)	(309.0, -191.3, -83.4)	(66.7, 17.1, 102.7)	-1.5 ± 0.1
9	$\left(8.9,-0.0,5.1\right)$	(1.9, 1.3, 2.0)	$\left(-288.7, -158.1, -105.5 ight)$	(78.7, 65.8, 111.8)	-1.5 ± 0.3
31	(9.9, -0.1, 2.4)	(2.1, 2.5, 4.4)	(-6.7, 207.7, -186.4)	(114.6, 20.8, 73.5)	-1.8 ± 0.4
18	(8.4, 0.6, 1.1)	(1.5, 2.2, 3.6)	(33.6, 213.9, 214.1)	(96.5, 22.7, 37.7)	-1.8 ± 0.2
13	(9.2, -0.2, 1.7)	(1.1, 1.4, 3.4)	(11.0, 177.5, -251.4)	(120.6, 13.9, 132.2)	-1.8 ± 0.2
38	$\left(8.6,-0.0,2.0\right)$	(1.7, 1.3, 2.5)	(-37.4, 20.0, 192.3)	(161.5, 18.2, 195.0)	-2.0 ± 0.2
14	(9.1, -0.3, 2.7)	(2.5, 1.4, 3.8)	(36.8, 116.5, -271.5)	(96.1, 27.9, 95.4)	-2.1 ± 0.3
23	(9.0, -0.1, 2.4)	(1.9, 1.1, 2.8)	(-152.7, 80.2, 258.2)	(122.1, 21.0, 38.9)	-2.0 ± 0.3
36	$\left(9.6,-0.8,3.7\right)$	(2.0, 2.4, 4.2)	(-43.3, 102.4, 50.0)	(172.8, 21.2, 197.8)	-1.6 ± 0.2
36	(9.1, 1.0, 3.1)	(2.5, 2.0, 4.1)	$\left(-2.1,-13.2,202.2 ight)$	(215.7, 28.1, 215.9)	-1.4 ± 0.2
24	(11.9, 0.2, 1.8)	(1.8, 1.7, 3.6)	(-168.0, 166.7, -25.1)	(29.1, 27.9, 82.7)	-1.4 ± 0.2
12	(10.7, 0.3, 1.4)	(1.8, 2.1, 3.5)	(193.6, 202.9, -5.7)	(14.3, 13.5, 51.8)	-1.5 ± 0.1
12	(10.5, 1.4, 4.0)	(1.9, 2.1, 3.9)	$\left(-297.4, 220.0, -49.9 ight)$	(29.6, 23.5, 79.3)	-1.5 ± 0.1
7	$\left(10.3,-0.3,2.4\right)$	(1.8, 2.3, 5.9)	(291.3, 207.3, 48.3)	(20.2, 10.4, 68.7)	-1.4 ± 0.1
12	(8.7, 0.5, 3.9)	(1.6, 1.5, 3.9)	(315.2, 109.2, -12.5)	(30.9, 4.6, 67.2)	-1.4 ± 0.2
5	$\left(8.9, 2.8, -1.3\right)$	(1.3, 2.1, 3.2)	(-360.7, 147.5, 81.7)	(26.7, 9.2, 76.3)	-1.4 ± 0.1
10	$\left(9.5,-0.4,2.0\right)$	(1.0, 0.9, 2.5)	(127.6, 68.0, 339.4)	(157.4, 8.0, 54.8)	-2.1 ± 0.2

A lot of substructures discovered and re-discovered with different datasets, stellar samples, search methods, \rightarrow a few prominent cases are emerging

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Fiorentin+ [2012.10957]



More thorough taxonomy of stellar halo with H3 survey Naidu et al. 2006.08625



Evidence from the H3 Survey that the Stellar Halo is Entirely Comprised of Substructure

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2006.08625



Helmi streams



members. The stars inside these boxes are highlighted with green symbols in the other two panels.

One of the first inner halo substructures discovered (Helmi et al. 1999)

Fig. 1. Velocity distribution of kinematically selected halo stars (black dots) within 1 kpc from the Sun from the Gaia-only 6D sample. The grey density in the background shows the location and extent of the disk in this diagram. The velocities have been corrected for the motion of the Sun and LSR. The green boxes in the left panel indicate the location of the Helmi streams, and are drawn based on the velocities of the original stream

1812.00846



S2/Helmi streams



 \rightarrow Helmi and S2 both have two components with $\pm v_z$ → Interpreted as multiple wraps of a larger stream



- → Spectroscopic study confirms primordial dwarf galaxy origin Aguado+ [2007.11003]

Streams in the axion line





Streams in the axion line





[2005.14667]

Constraints on dark matter-nucleon effective couplings in the presence of kinematically distinct halo substructures using the DEAP-3600 detector



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> **Axion lineshape:** $f(\omega) = \frac{\mathrm{d}v}{\mathrm{d}\omega} f(v)$ is more concentrated around low speeds, so most interesting substructures for axion line are the slow ones (which tend to be prograde streams)



Deep-learning based method of extracting accreted stars in stellar halo samples

 \rightarrow identified large prograde stream "Nyx". Seems to be unrelated to any previously known streams, though some have suggested a potential connection to thick disk, or "splash"



400300 200100 0 -100-200-300-400-200400 200-400Ω $v_{\phi} \, [\mathrm{km/s}]$

High purity sample



Semi-pure sample

Ostdiek, Necib+ [1907.07681, 1907.07190]



Axion "astronomy"

With a positive axion detection, high S/N studies of axion lineshape become possible very quickly



Direct measurement of purely astrophysical quantities such as the width of the DM distribution, galactic velocity of the Sun, possible within ~1 year of detection.

Axion "astronomy"



•Haloscopes measure speed distribution: f(v)so for an <u>isotropic $f(\mathbf{v})$, the phase of the annual modulation is governed solely by $\mathbf{v}_{lab}(t)$ </u>

• But for an *anisotropic* $f(\mathbf{v})$, e.g. $f(\mathbf{v}) \propto \exp(-\frac{1}{2})$

the observed speed distribution at a given day depends upon the projection of the $v_{lab}(t)$ along each galactic axis, and the width of the distribution along that axis

Axion "astronomy"

Annual modulation signal also carries information about the velocity structure of the local DM distribution

$$v, t) = \int v^2 f(\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{v}_{\text{lab}}(t)) \,\mathrm{d}\Omega_v$$

$$\left(-rac{v_r^2}{2\sigma_r^2} - rac{v_{ heta}^2}{2\sigma_{ heta}^2} - rac{v_{\phi}^2}{2\sigma_{\phi}^2}
ight)$$
 defined in galactic coord

Can change the phase, frequency dependence, and make the distribution non-sinusoidal





Axion "astronomy": identifying streams

e.g. a stream will undergo its own annual modulation with a different phase depending on the alignment of the streaming velocity with respect to the orbit of the Earth



Approach sometimes taken in annual modulation searches: → Fourier series expansion of modulating signal

3.0



$$f(\omega) = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[A_n \cos\left(\frac{2\pi n \left(t - t_n\right)}{1 \text{ year}}\right) \right]$$

Unlike streams, the Sausage does not show up prominently in the **first mode**, but does in higher order modes

→ Statistics needed to access these modes are very high, but not necessarily out of the question for an axion experiment









Directional axion detection

May also be possible to do some kind of directional measurement to extract even more information

$$a(\mathbf{x},t) = \frac{\sqrt{2\rho_a}}{m_a} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^3 \mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3}$$

Single experiment directionality

 \rightarrow Exploit time dependent loss of coherence for experiments on a similar scale to the axion field's coherence length

Knirck+ [1806.05927]



 $\frac{1}{3}|\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{p})|\cos\left(\omega t - \mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x} + \alpha_{\mathbf{p}}\right)|$

Multi-experiment directionality \rightarrow combine precise axion phase information at detectors separated by a few coherence lengths Foster+ [2009.14201]



Directional axion detection: Sausage Anisotropy (e.g. sausage) somewhat difficult to measure, as it is a subtle

sausage) somewhat difficult to measure, as it is a subtle axis-dependent shift in the linewidth





Directional axion detection: streams

Streams are kinematically localised features and can have large angles away from the primary DM wind Earth's daily rotation causes feature to sweep over the sky - well suited for detection via direction dependence

Single-experiment directionality

Knirck+ [1806.05927]

Multi-experiment directionality

Foster+ [2009.14201]







Assuming perfectly cold DM, at some level the halo will have ultra-fine grained substructure, even if it consists of millions of overlapping streams Vogelsberger+ [1002.3162]







Eventual ultra long-term goal is for axion experiments to unravel the complex phase space distribution of the DM halo













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Belokurov et al.



Galaxies made of axion miniclusters+diffuse axions



Fate of miniclusters in the galaxy

Problems for direct detection \rightarrow encounter rate ~ 1 per 10,000—1,000,000 years Kavanagh et al. [2011.05377]

- **Opportunities** for indirect detection \rightarrow collision of miniclusters with neutron stars Edwards et al. [2011.05378]
 - → Miniclusters passing line of sight Dai & Miralda Escudé [1908.01773] Fairbairn et al. [1701.04787]



Fate of miniclusters in the galaxy - 2 recent papers Kavanagh, Edwards, Visinelli, Weniger

[2011.05377] Survival probability of miniclusters versus minicluster density profile and position in galaxy



Still many uncertainties remaining \rightarrow but results suggest that NS radio transients are a promising indirect signal and miniclusters at Earth's position could be disrupted

[2011.05378] Encounter rate between miniclusters and neutron stars \rightarrow radio transients every 1—100 days towards GC





Gravitational focusing



Additional ~2% modulation in DM density (+shift of *f*(*v*) at small *v*)



Daily modulation for a directional experiment



