

Dark Matter at Fermilab

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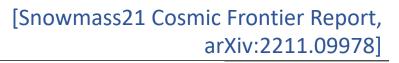
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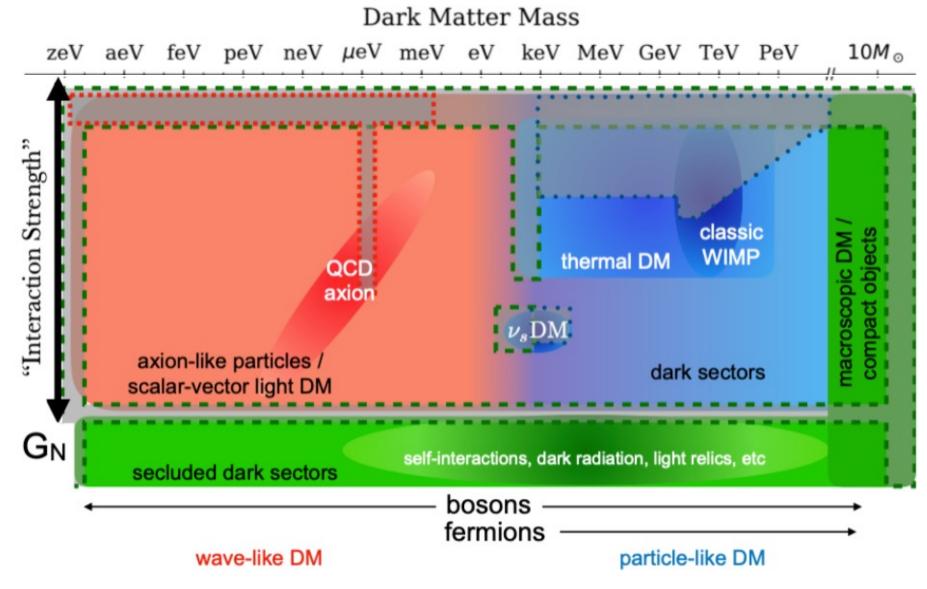
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for image sources see corresponding slides

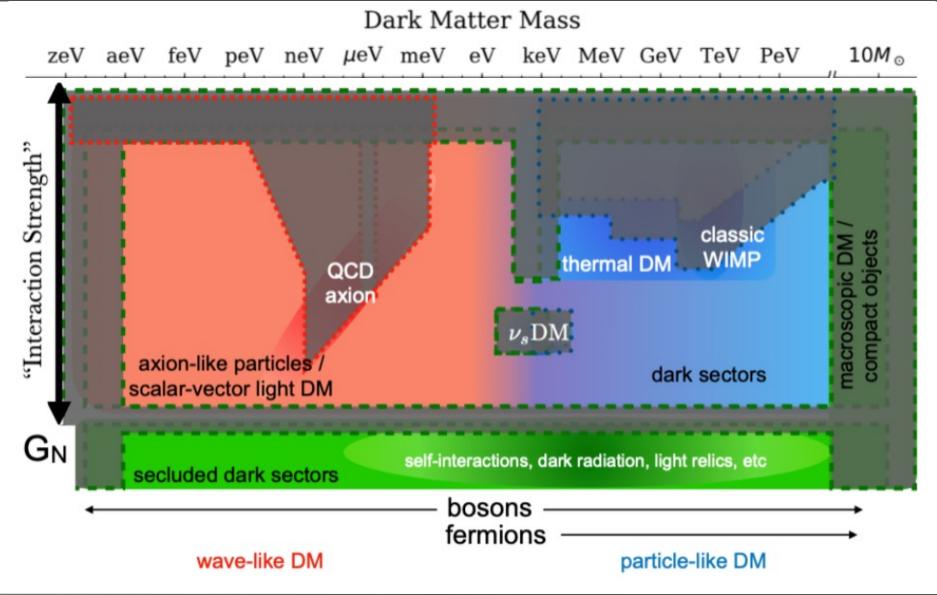
Dark Matter at Snowmass21



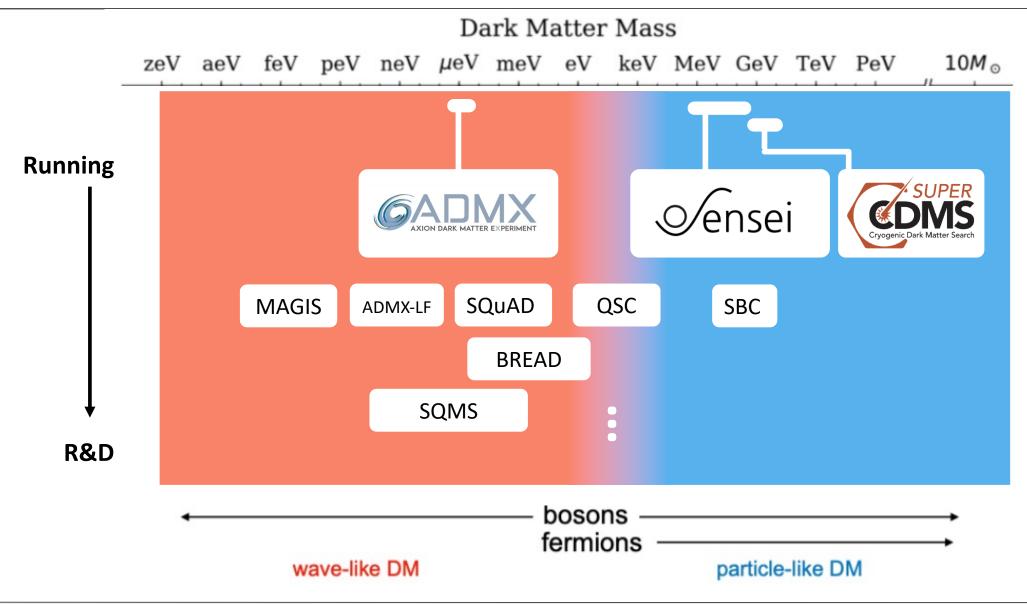


Dark Matter at Snowmass21

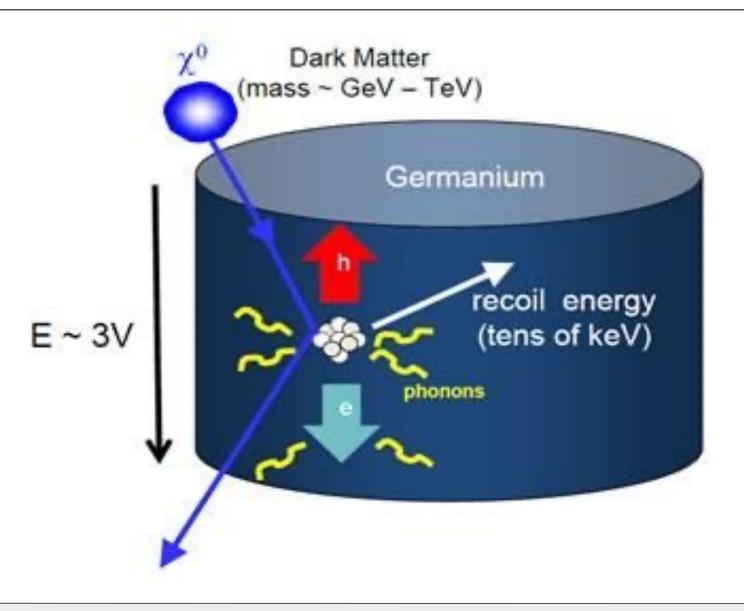
[Snowmass21 Cosmic Frontier Report, arXiv:2211.09978]



Dark Matter Experiments at **‡ Fermilab**



Nuclear Recoil



[https://supercdms.slac.stanford.edu/sites /default/files/styles/fix-width-400/public/image002.jpg?itok=Ms2q-Nm1]

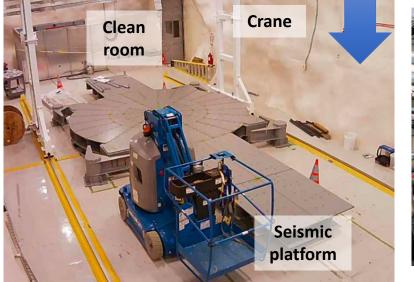
SuperCDMS at SNOLAB

<u>Super Cryogenic Dark Matter Search</u>

- Will provide *multiple orders of magnitude* improved sensitivity to dark matter with masses between 0.5-10 GeV/c², using cryogenic detectors
- Fermilab continuing 20 years of leadership in SuperCDMS by delivering major subsystems:
 - Cryogenic design and operation
 - Warm electronics design & fabrication
 - Calibration system design and ops
 - Infrastructure design and integration
- Cryo system ready to ship from FNAL! Installation underway at SNOLAB,

commissioning in 2024.

Slide from Lauren Hsu

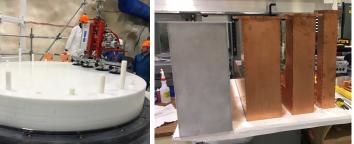




Cryo PLC

System







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Particle-Like DM

Wave-Like DM

DMS

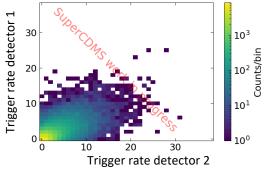
Chilled water

system

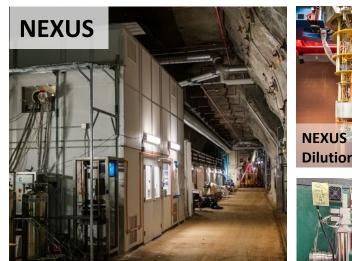
NEXUS: Underground Dark Matter & Cryogenic Detector Test Facility

- Developed jointly by Northwestern and Fermilab as a calibration and low background test facility for SuperCDMS
- Functionality has since been broadened to include QIS devices, KIDs and future neutrino detectors
- Neutron generator commissioning underway; allows precise determination of nuclear recoil energy scale, setting sensitivity for SuperCDMS SNOLAB

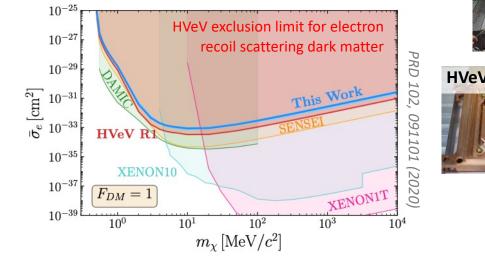
SuperCDMS HVeV detector has world-leading sensitivity to sub-GeV dark matter; provides resolution of single e/h pairs



Data taken at NEXUS sheds light on a class of low energy events; will yield substantial improvement in sensitivity - Stay tuned for results!

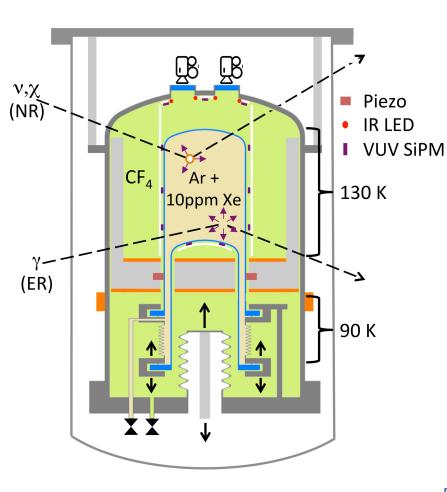






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SBC: <u>Scintillating</u> <u>Bubble</u> <u>Chamber</u>





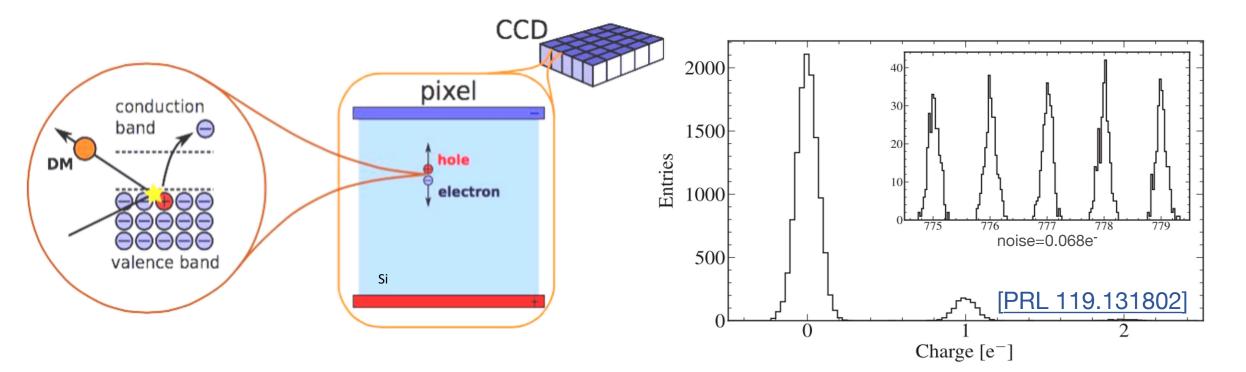
[Snowmass White paper, arXiv:2207.12400] [Eric Dahl, UCLA DM 2023]

- 1-10 GeV DM with nuclear recoils
- 10kg LAr (SBC-LAr10) deploying at MINOS
 - → determine max. ER-blind superheat in LAr
 - \rightarrow NR calibration
- DM Search
 @SNOLAB

Electron Recoil - SENSEI

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<u>Sub-Electron-Noise Skipper-CCD Experimental Instrument</u>



Skipper-CCD (designed by LBNL):

Energy threshold of Si bandgap (~1.1 eV) Low dark current (~10⁻⁴ e⁻/pix/day) Sub-electron (~0.1e⁻) readout noise

Material from Juan Estrada, Nate Saffold

OSCURA Prototype@MINOS

SENSEI@SNOLAB data

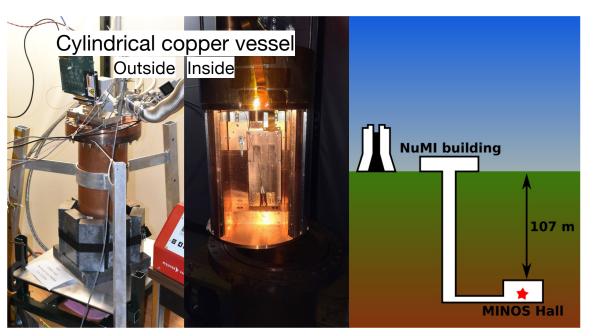
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Images from Brenda Cervantes and Nate Saffold

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SENSEI@MINOS

SENSEI: two science-capable setups

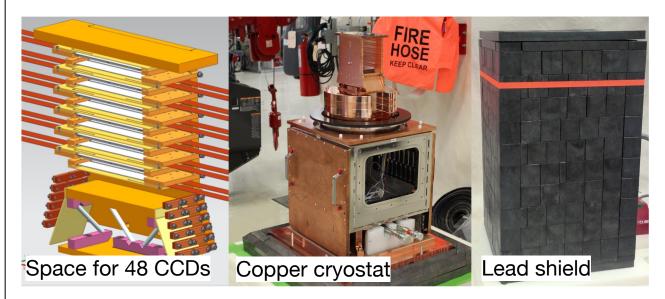


One CCD module installed in copper cryostat: ~1.925 g, operated at 135 K

Shielding: inner and outer layers of lead shielding, underground site at FNAL in MINOS cavern (~107 m)

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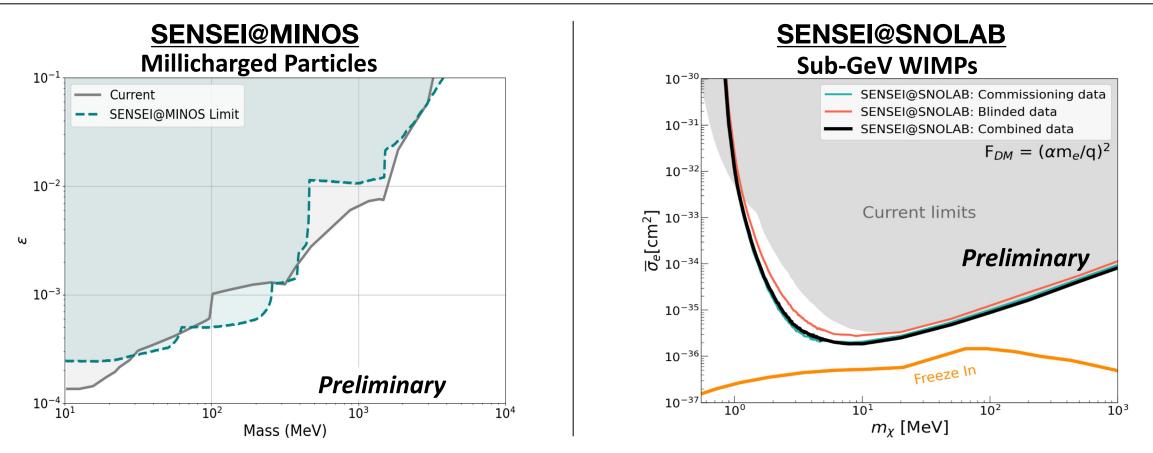
SENSEI@SNOLAB



CCDs installed in copper cryostat: Space for 48 CCDs, each with 6144 × 1024 pixels, 15 μm pitch, 675 μm thickness (~100 g) **Shielding:** 3" of lead, 20" of polyethylene and water, 2 km of granite overburden

SENSEI: two science-capable setups



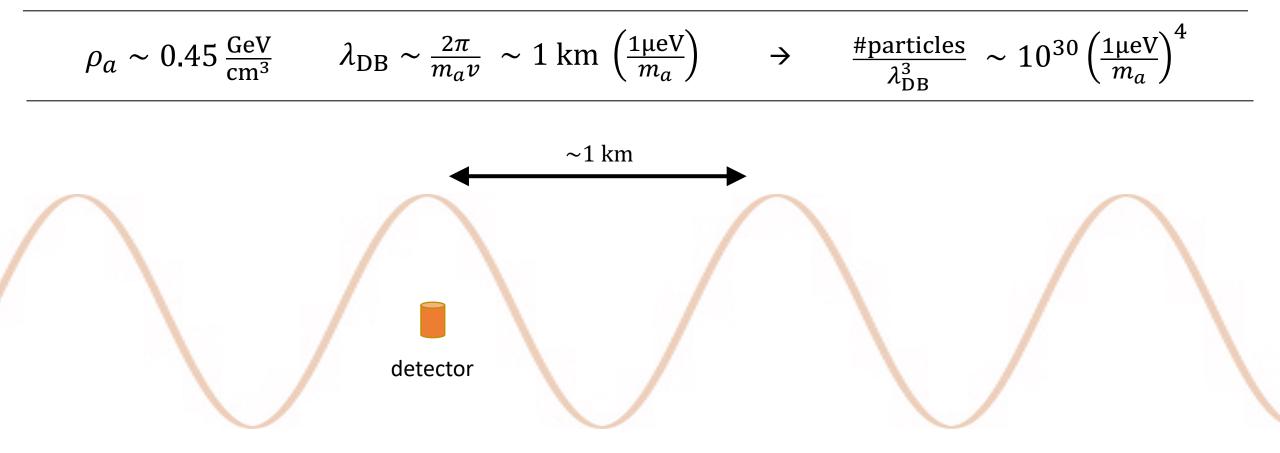


Next Step: OSCURA 10kg skipper-CCD, orders of magnitude improvement Material from Juan Estrada, Nate Saffold

 \rightarrow see upcoming talk by Brenda Cervantes

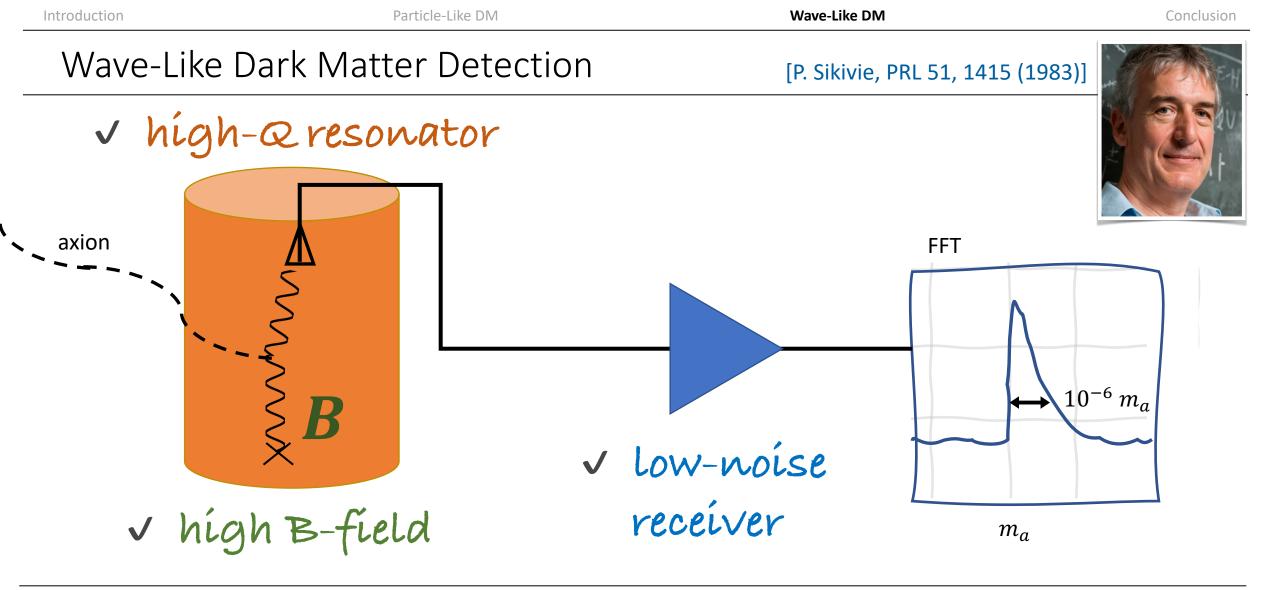
Similar w/ FNAL involvement: DAMIC [PRL130, 171003] [arXiv:2306.01717]

Wave-Like Dark Matter



coherent detection

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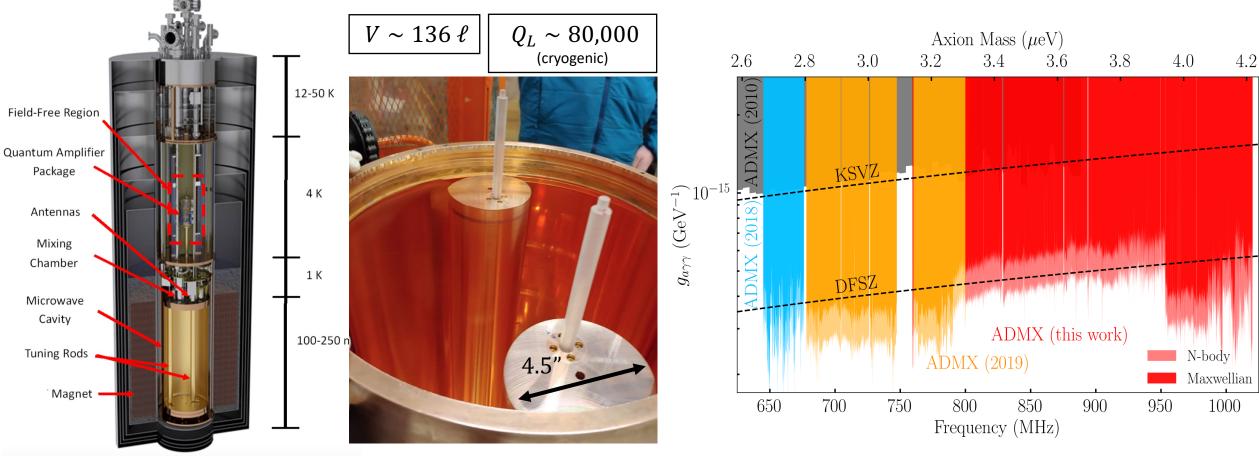
$$P_{\rm sig} = 2 \cdot 10^{-23} \,\mathrm{W} \cdot \left(\frac{B}{7.6 \,\mathrm{T}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{V}{136 \,L}\right) \left(\frac{C}{0.4}\right) \left(\frac{Q}{30,000}\right) \left(\frac{g_{\gamma}}{0.36}\right)^2 \left(\frac{m_a}{3 \,\mu \mathrm{eV}}\right) \left(\frac{\rho_{\rm DM}}{0.45 \,\mathrm{GeV \, cm^{-3}}}\right)$$

[PRL 124 (2020) 10, 101303] [PRD 103 (2021) 3, 032002] [PRL 127, 261803 (2021)]

Wave-Like DM

ADMX: <u>A</u>xion <u>D</u>ark <u>M</u>atter e<u>X</u>periment

Particle-Like DM

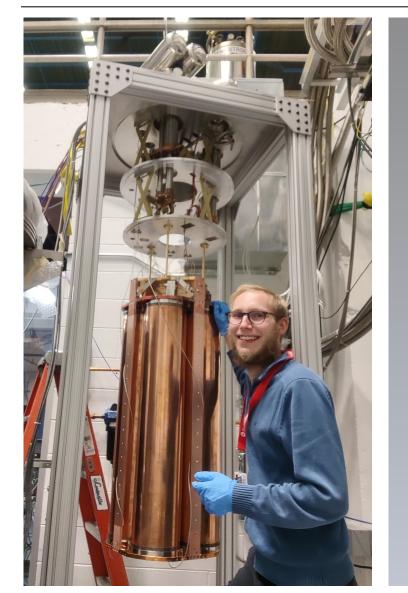


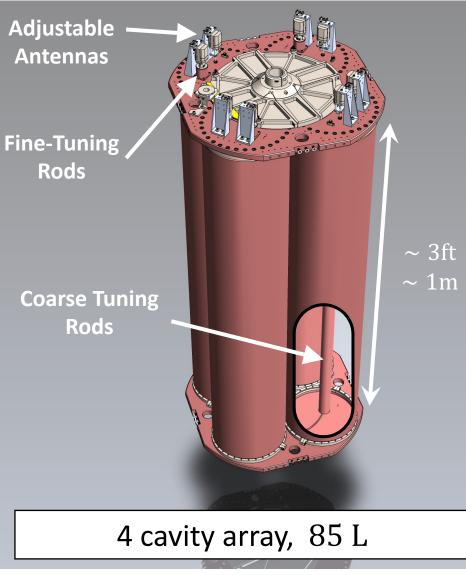


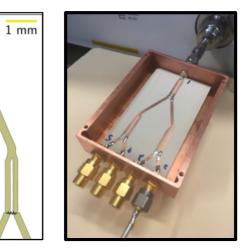
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Next ADMX Gen-2: (1.4 - 2.2) GHz







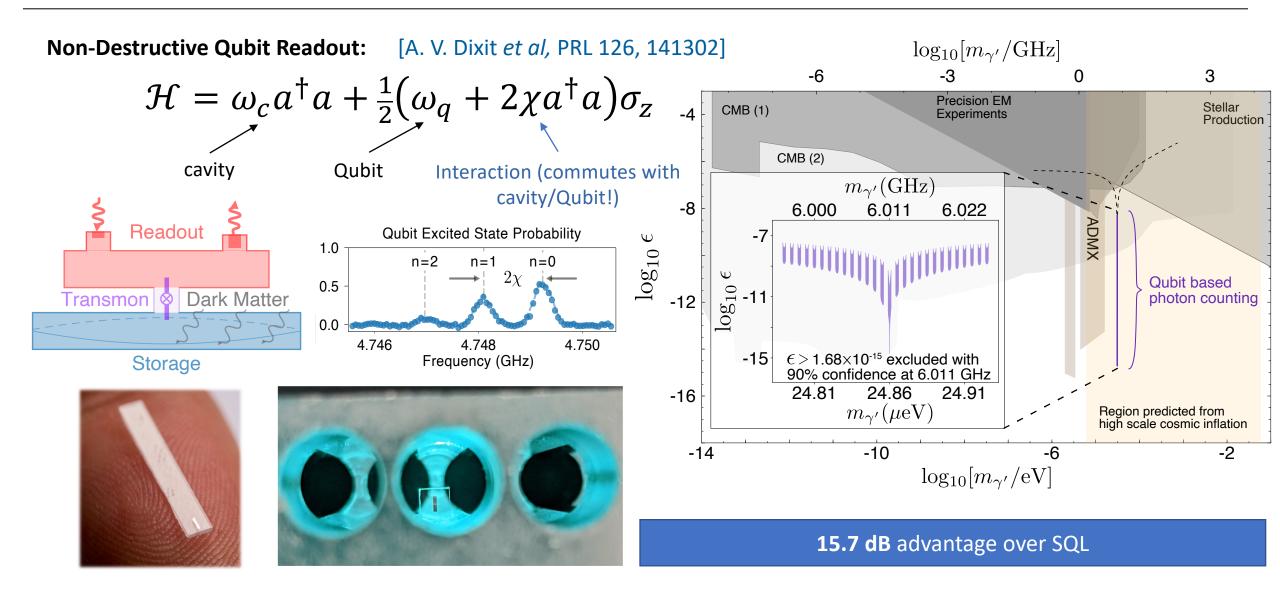
analog power combining

Site: Univ. Washington

Data Taking from ~2024

ADMX-EFR (Extended Frequency Range): 2-4GHz horizontal magnet: digital 9.4 T, 258 ℓ power combining Magnetic shield MRI Magnet Electronics dil. fridge Resonator dil. fridge Resonator array 100mK Low noise 9.4T amplifiers 25mK 0.01 Gauss Site: Fermilab 18 cavity array Goal: Search 2-4GHz @ DFSZ sensitivity in 3 years scan time

Sub-Quantum-Limited Noise

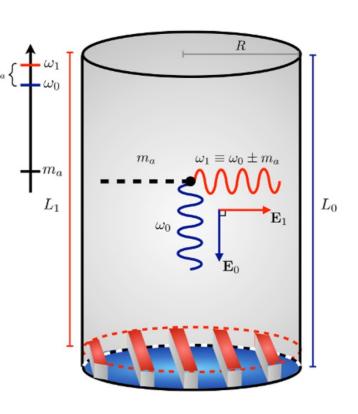


Superconducting Cavities – SQMS





Niobium, $Q \sim 10^{10}$ (B = 0T) [R. Cervantes *et al*, arXiv:2208.03183] Nb₃Sn, $Q \sim 10^{6}$ (B ~ 6T) [S. Posen *et al*, arXiv:2201.10733] → Collaborating with ADMX



AC Haloscope

[A. Berlin *et al,* JHEP 88 (2020)]

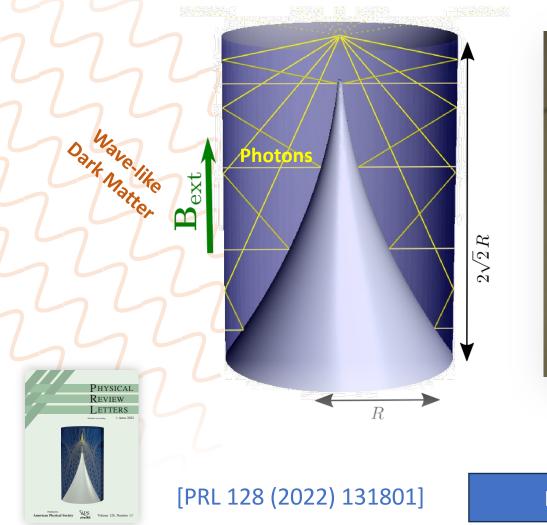
Light-Shining-Through-Wall



[A. Romanenko *et al,* PRL 130, 261801]

Higher Axion Mass – BREAD

(<u>Broadband Reflector Experiment for Axion Detection</u>)



InfraBREAD pilot



First Optical-Grade Reflector Announcing **First Science Results** at PATRAS next week

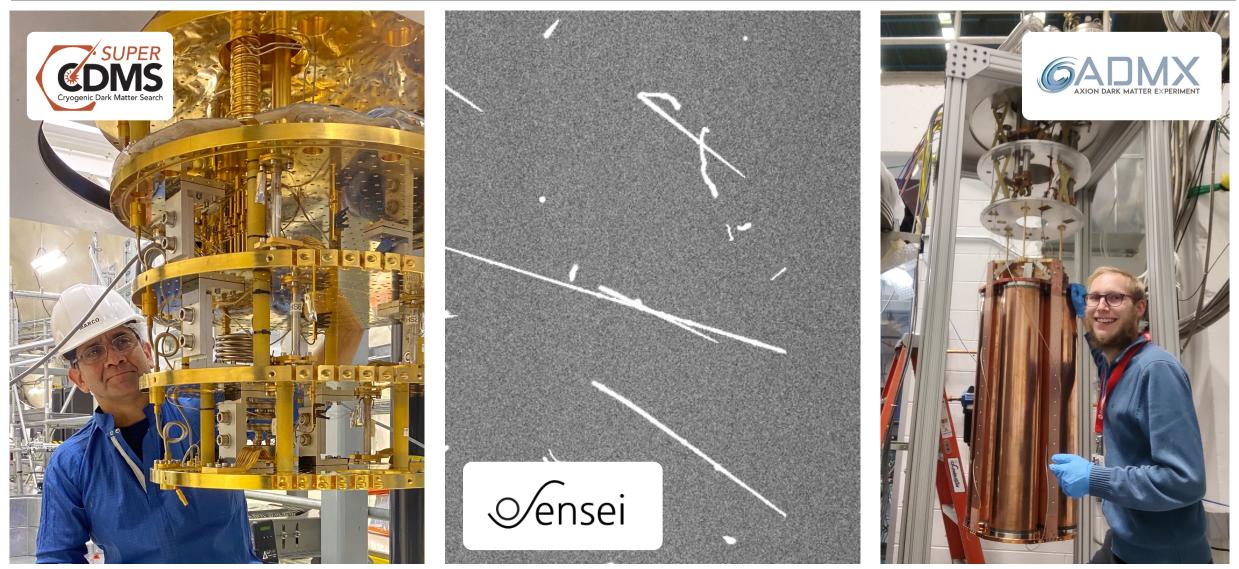
RF Shielded Room @UChicago

GigaBREAD pilot

Broadband concept for axions from μeV (GHz) to eV (Infrared)

Conclusion

Thank you very much!



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