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Abstract:

ULTRA-LIGHT HIDDEN PHOTONS

THEORY AND SEARCHES

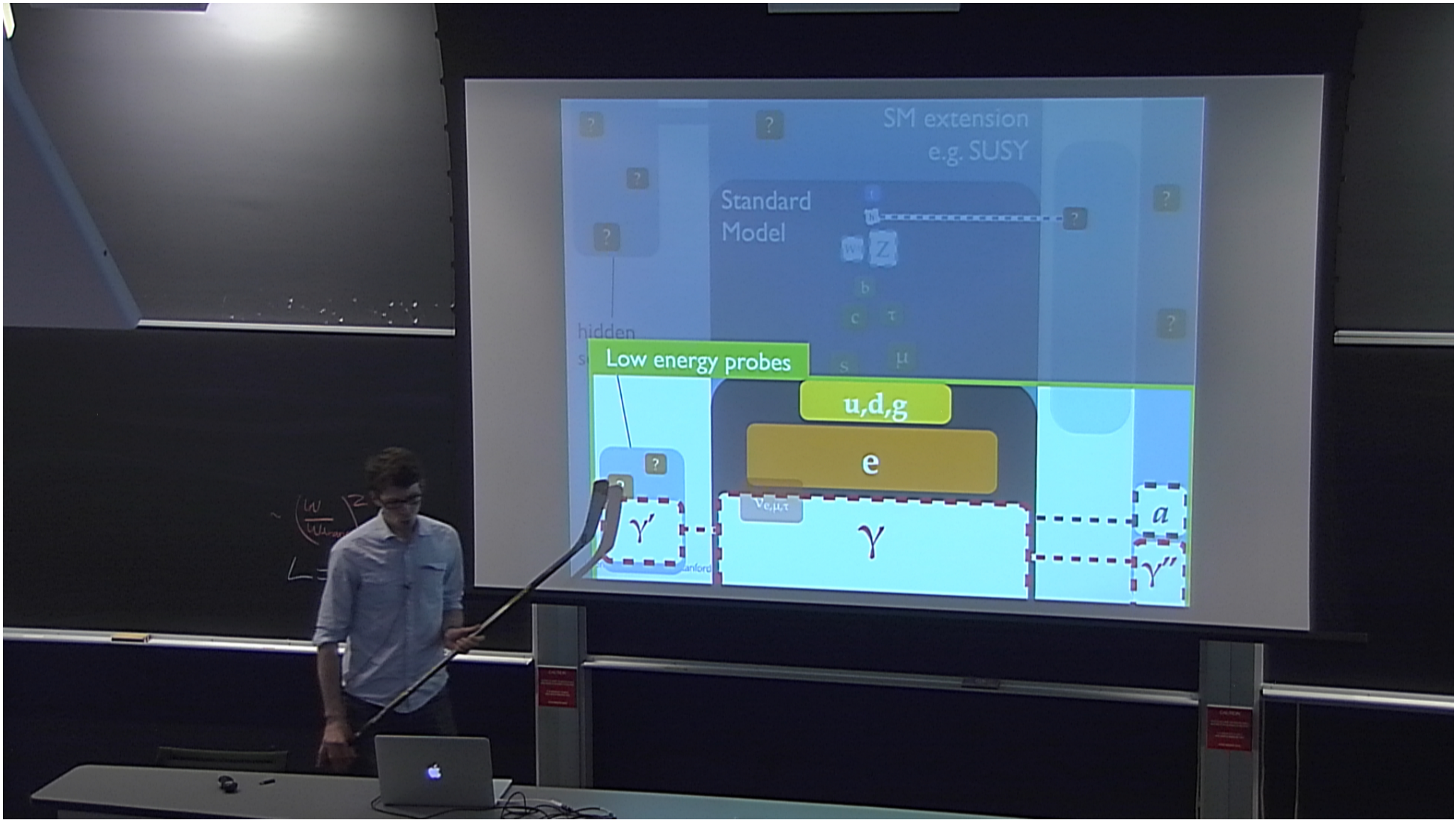
work in progress with:

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(with no hierarchy problem)

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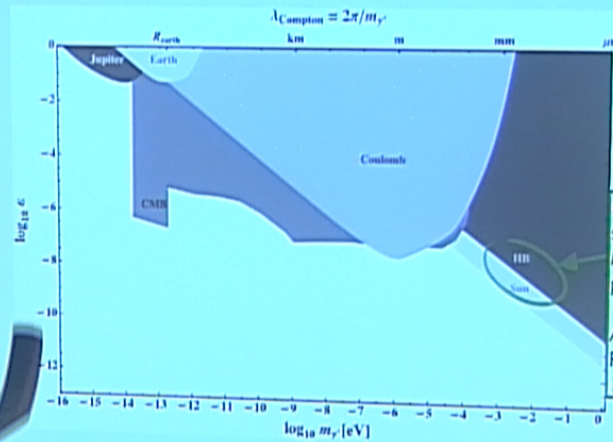
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EXISTING BOUNDS



Bounds from stellar cooling by longitudinal mode production

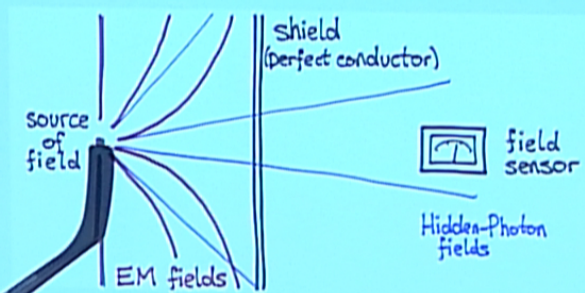
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LIGHT THROUGH WALLS SEARCHES

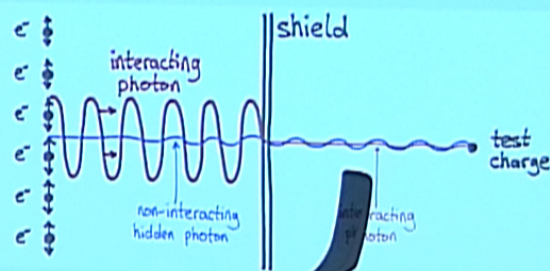
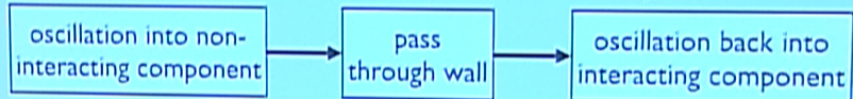
Fields leak through shields



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WITH TRANSVERSE MODES

Can use interaction basis (as in neutrino oscillation)



$$(E, B)_{\text{detected}} \sim Q^2 \frac{1}{m_\gamma^4 L^2 / \omega^2} (E, B)_{\text{source}}$$

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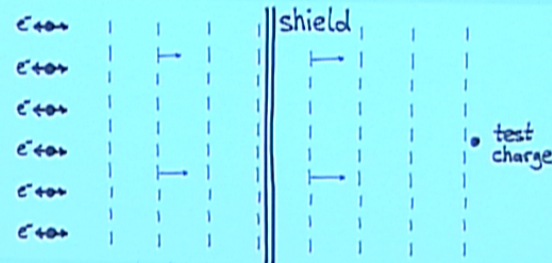
Ahlers et al 0706.2836
Jaeckel & Ringwald 0707.2063

$$\sim \left(\frac{W}{W_{\text{source}}} \right)^2$$
$$L = \frac{1}{\omega}$$

WITH THE LONGITUDINAL MODE

Hidden photon longitudinal mode is also (weakly) produced
Passes through all shielding

Parametrically stronger signal than transverse modes

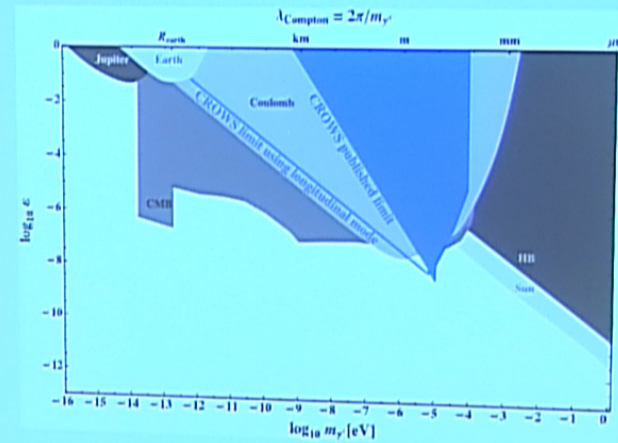


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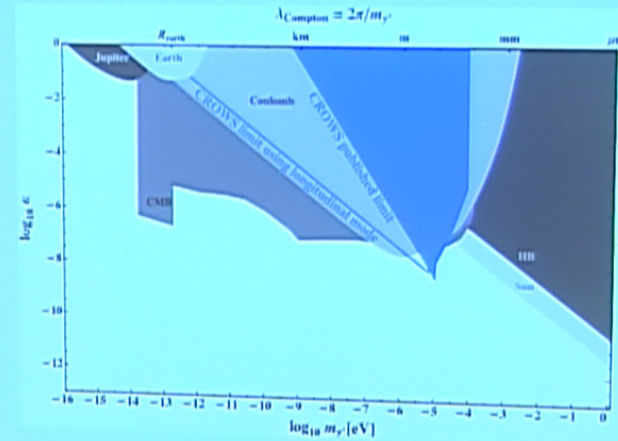
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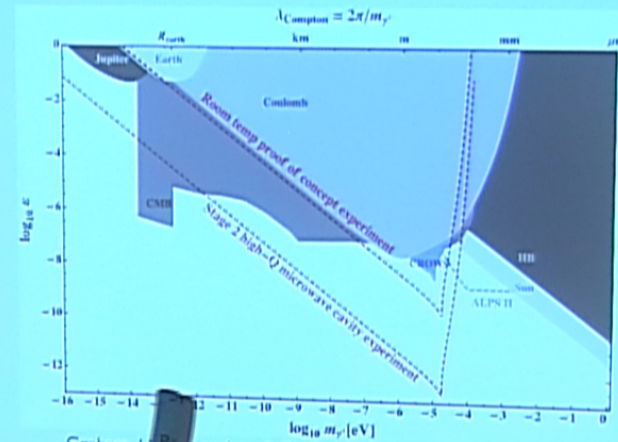
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REACH



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SCANNING FOR HIDDEN PHOTON DARK MATTER WITH A HIGH-Q RADIO

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$$\left(\frac{W}{W_{\text{trans}}} \right)^2 = \Gamma W$$

HIDDEN-PHOTONS AS DARK MATTER

Light boson as dark matter?

pseudoscalar

vector

axion

hidden photon

- classical A'_μ field
- oscillation frequency $\omega = m_{A'}$
- random direction
- (Lorentz breaking but hard to tell!)

Nelson & Scholtz | 105.2812

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$$\left(\frac{W}{W_{\text{Planck}}} \right)^2$$
$$L = \epsilon W$$

HIDDEN-PHOTONS AS DARK MATTER

A “hidden electric field” that penetrates shielding

— $E' \approx \sqrt{\rho_{\text{DM}}} \approx 2000 \text{ V/m}$

Has fixed frequency

— $\omega = m_{\gamma'}$, $\delta\omega/\omega = 10^{-6}$

Can excite an electromagnetic resonator

electromagnetic cavities

— DMX is automatically sensitive!
Arias et al 1201.5902

— cavity size restricts mass range

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THE SIGNAL INSIDE A SHIELD

Metal box to shield backgrounds

conduction electrons in wall respond to E' field, generating E and B fields

oscillating E' field

net effect is a B field inside the box

$$B \sim \epsilon (m \gamma' R) \times 10^{-5} \text{ T}$$

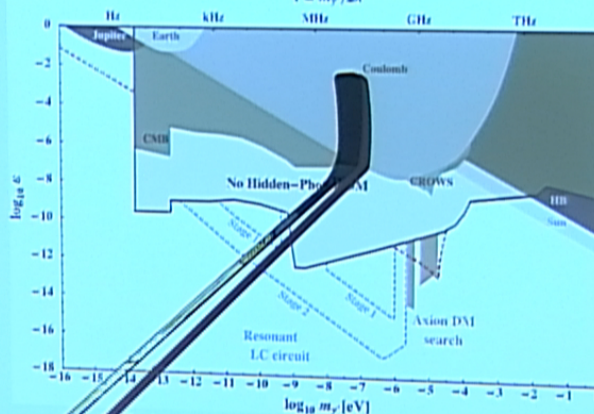
oscillates at $\omega = m \gamma'$

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$$\sim \left(\frac{W}{W_{\text{thres}}} \right)^2$$
$$L = \Gamma w$$

REACH

LC oscillator search: size ~ 1m Q~10⁶ ~1 month scan per decade
Stage 1: room temp Stage 2: T~0.1K
 $f = m_\gamma / 2\pi$



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$$\sim \left(\frac{W}{W_{\text{Hubble}}} \right)^2$$
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