Search for Dark Matter Axions with the MAD MAX experiment

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axions









$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} - J^{\mu}A_{\mu} + \frac{1}{2}\partial_{\mu}a\partial^{\mu}a - \frac{1}{2}m_{a}^{2}a^{2} - \frac{g_{a\gamma}}{4}F_{\mu\nu}\widetilde{F}^{\mu\nu}a,$$

axion DM modifies maxwell equations:

zero-velocity limit (axion at rest):

$$a(t) = a_0 e^{-im_a t}$$

with frequency

$$\omega = m_a$$

dark matter density:

$$\rho_a = \frac{m_a^2 |a_0|^2}{2} = f_{\rm DM} \, \frac{300 \, \text{MeV}}{\text{cm}^3}$$

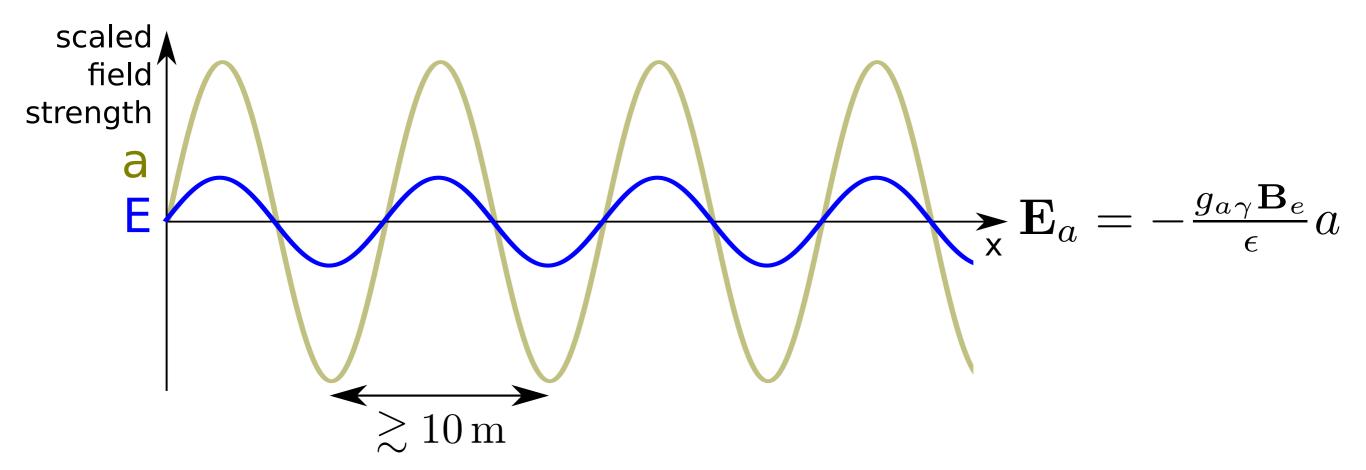
the homogeneous axion-induced E field can be derived as

$$\mathbf{E}_a(t) = -\frac{g_{a\gamma}\mathbf{B}_e}{\epsilon} a(t)$$

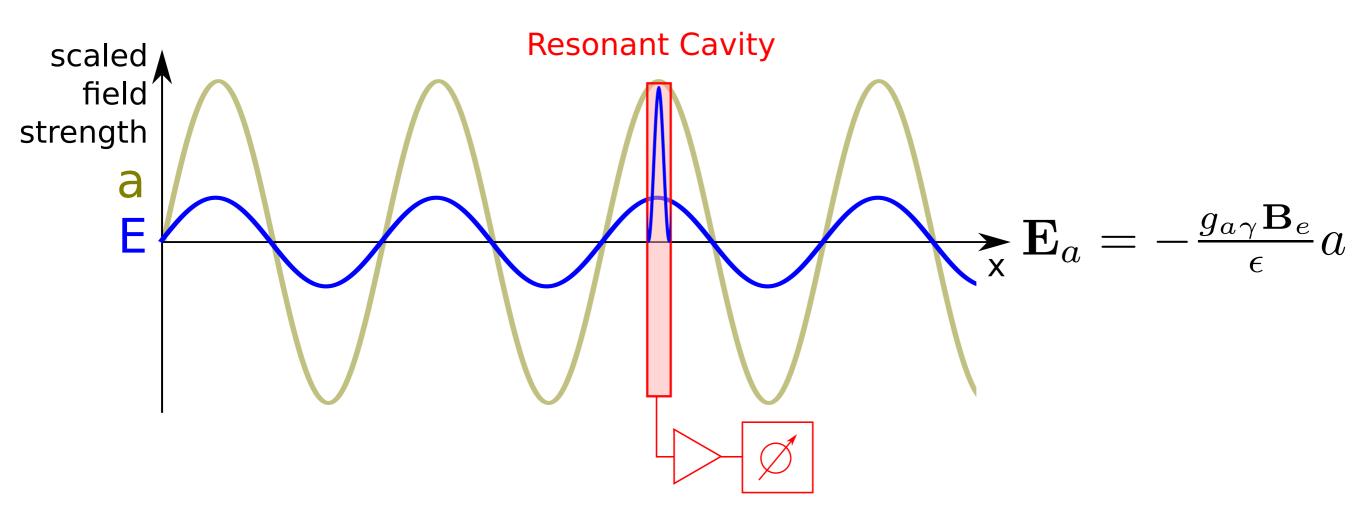
$$\mathbf{E}_a(t) = -\frac{\mathbf{E}_0}{\epsilon} e^{-im_a t}$$

$$E_0 = 1.3 \times 10^{-12} \text{ V/m} \frac{B_e}{10 \text{ T}} |C_{a\gamma}| f_{\text{DM}}^{1/2}$$









challenges for ADMX-like experiments

emitted power from cavity

arXiv:1804.05750

$$P_{\text{axion}} = 1.9 \times 10^{-22} \text{W} \left(\frac{V}{136 \ l}\right) \left(\frac{B}{6.8 \ \text{T}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{C}{0.4}\right) \left(\frac{g_{\gamma}}{0.97}\right)^2 \left(\frac{\rho_{\text{a}}}{0.45 \ \text{GeV cm}^{-3}}\right) \left(\frac{f}{650 \ \text{MHz}}\right) \left(\frac{Q}{50,000}\right)$$

needs to scale with f^{-3} is expensive

given by nature

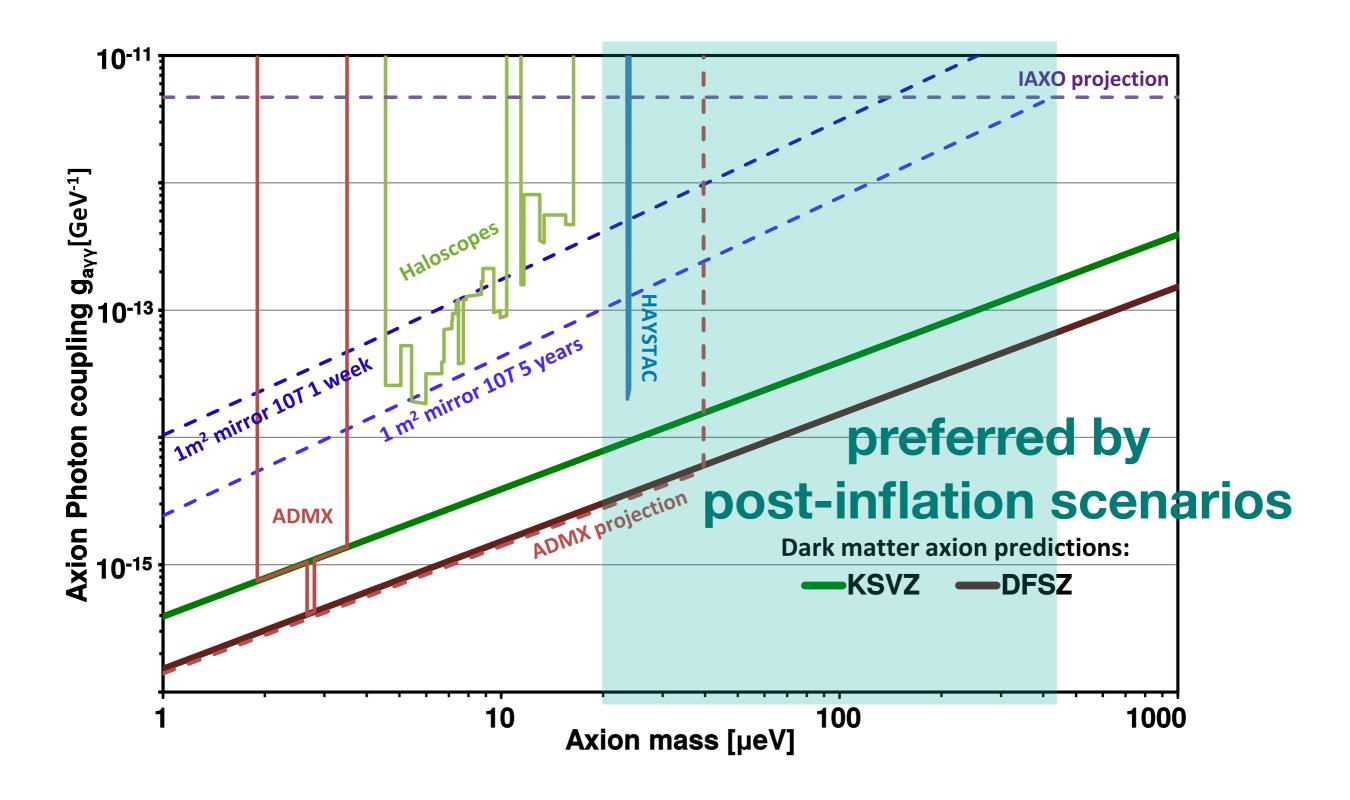
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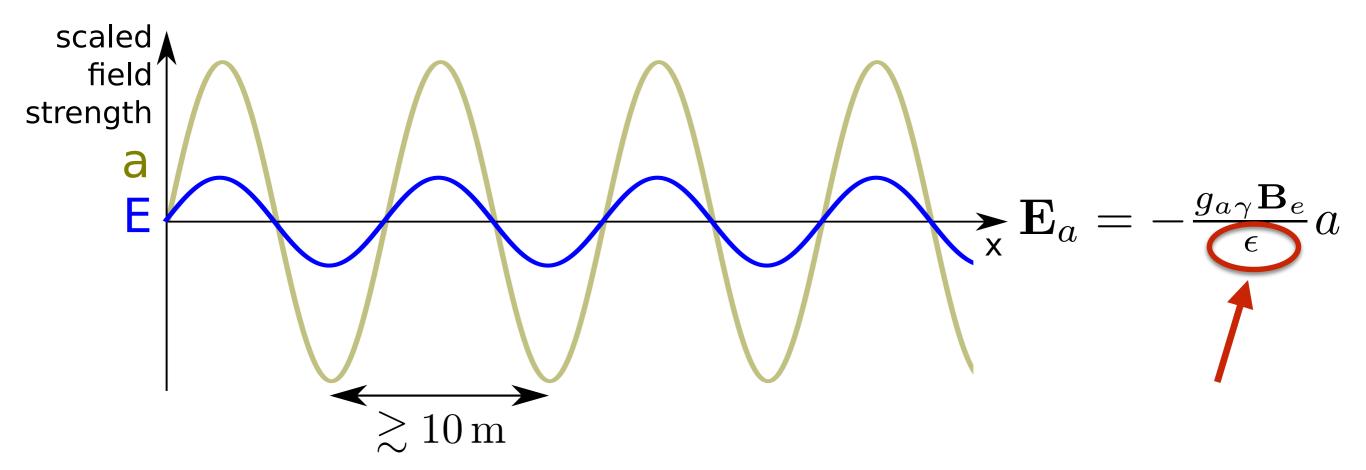
technical limitations, decreases with larger *f*

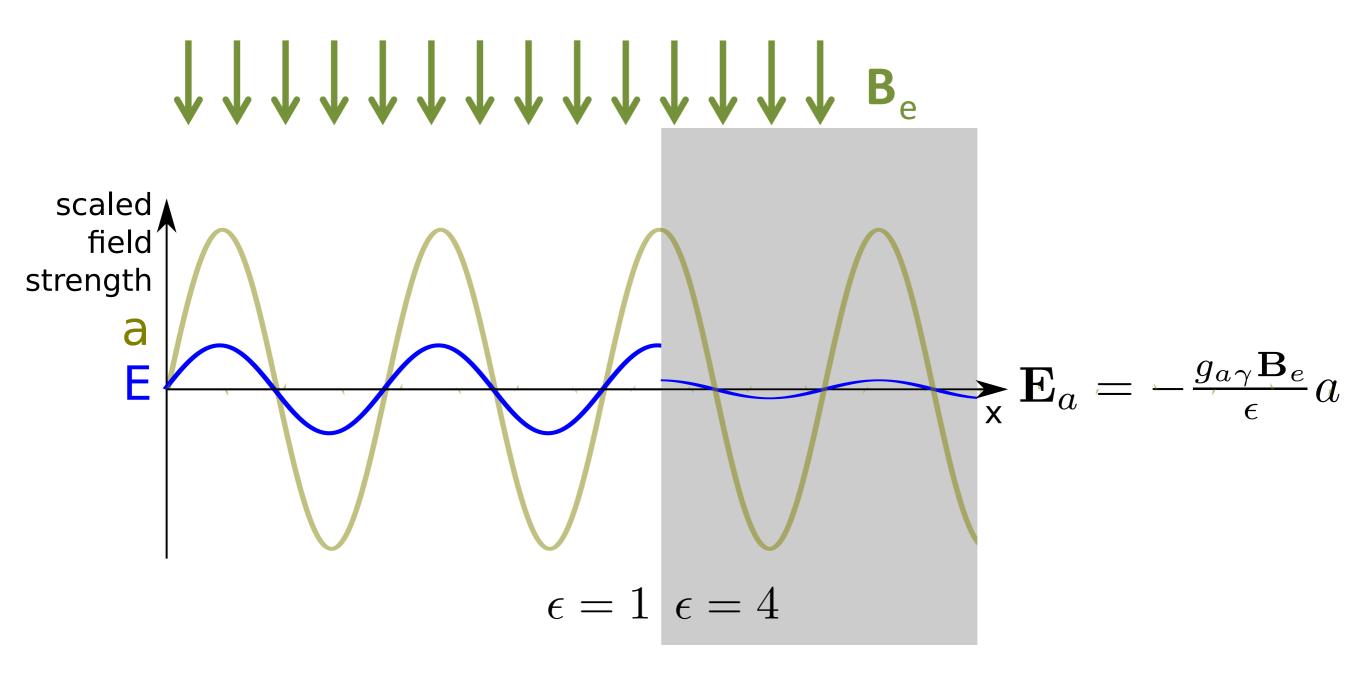
reach of cavity haloscope limited for higher frequency (mass)

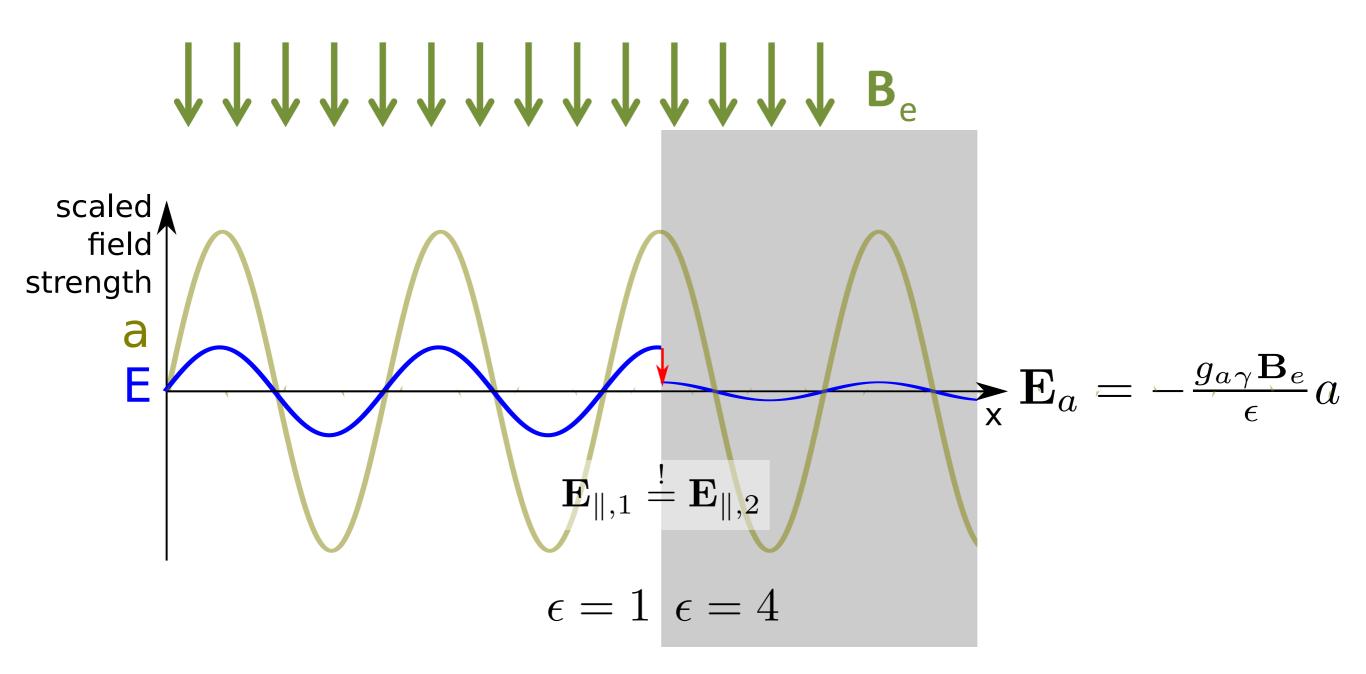
ADMX reach

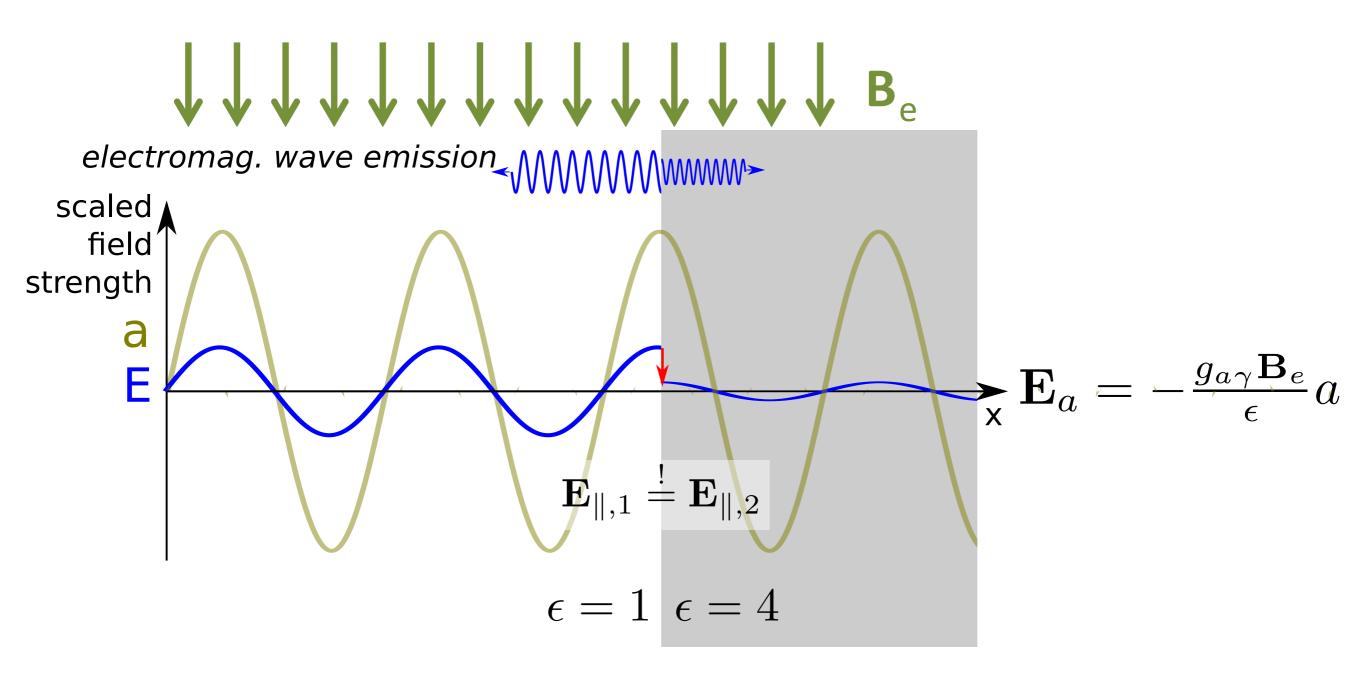












radiation at an interface

continuity:

$$\mathbf{E}_{\parallel,1} = \mathbf{E}_{\parallel,2}$$
 and $\mathbf{H}_{\parallel,1} = \mathbf{H}_{\parallel,2}$

Continuity of \mathbf{E}_{\parallel}

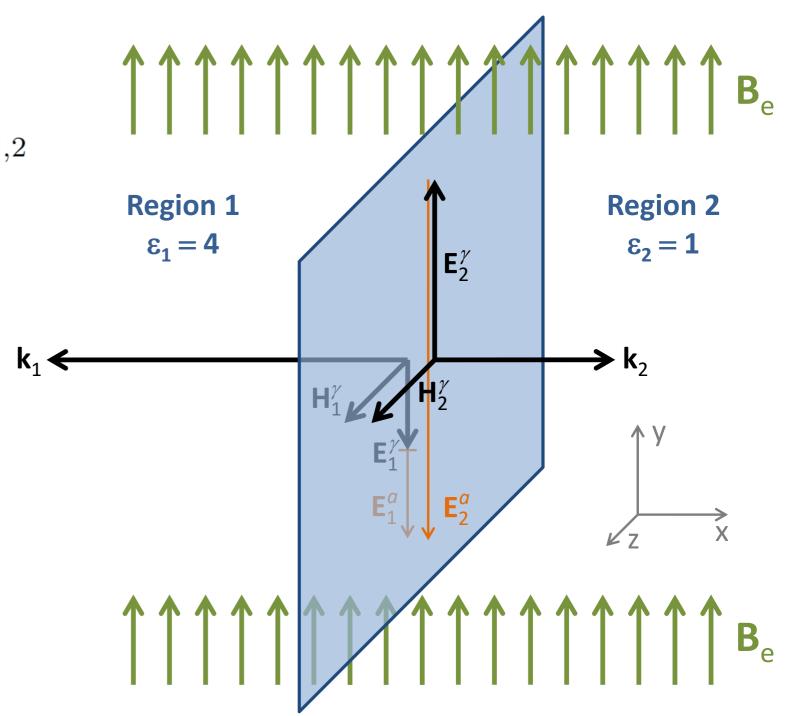
$$E_1^{\gamma} + E_1^a = E_2^{\gamma} + E_2^a$$

Continuity of \mathbf{H}_{\parallel}

$$-\frac{\epsilon_1}{n_1} E_1^{\gamma} = \frac{\epsilon_2}{n_2} E_2^{\gamma}$$

because Maxwell eq:

$$\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{H}_{\gamma} + \omega \epsilon \mathbf{E}_{\gamma} = 0$$



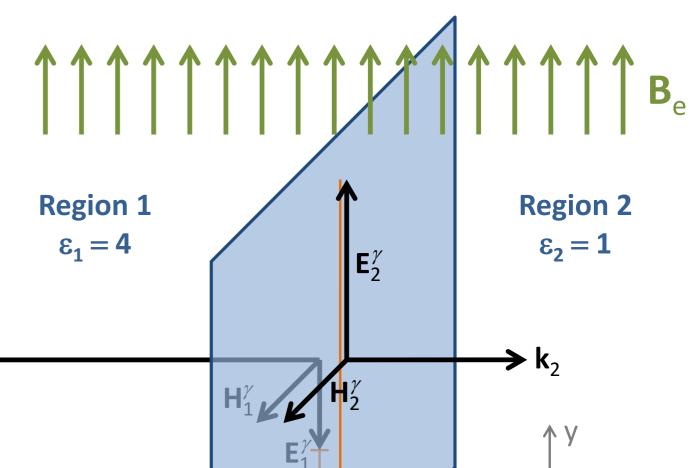
radiation at an interface

we get for the propagating fields:

$$E_1^{\gamma} = + (E_2^a - E_1^a) \frac{\epsilon_2 n_1}{\epsilon_1 n_2 + \epsilon_2 n_1}$$

$$E_2^{\gamma} = -(E_2^a - E_1^a) \frac{\epsilon_1 n_2}{\epsilon_1 n_2 + \epsilon_2 n_1}$$

$$E_{1,2}^a e^{-i\omega t}, \quad E_{1,2}^{\gamma} e^{-i(\omega t - k_{1,2}x)}$$



assume:

$$\mu_1 = \mu_2 = 1$$
 so that $\epsilon_1 = n_1^2$

with the E_a field discontinuity:

$$E_2^a - E_1^a = -(\epsilon_2^{-1} - \epsilon_1^{-1})E_0$$

result:

$$E_1^{\gamma} = -\frac{E_0}{n_1} \left(\frac{1}{n_2} - \frac{1}{n_1} \right)$$



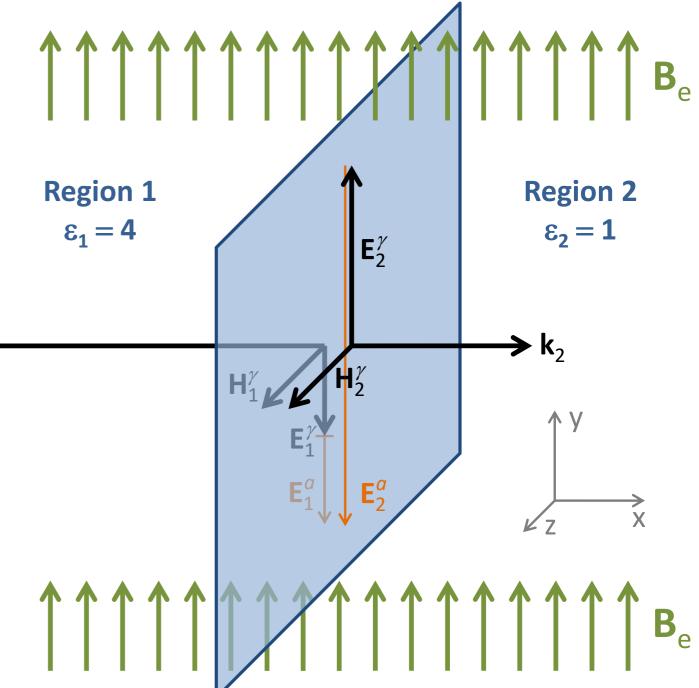
power emission by interface:

$$\frac{P}{A} = 2.2 \times 10^{-27} \frac{W}{m^2} \left(\frac{B_e}{10T}\right)^2 C_{a\gamma}^2 f_{DM}$$

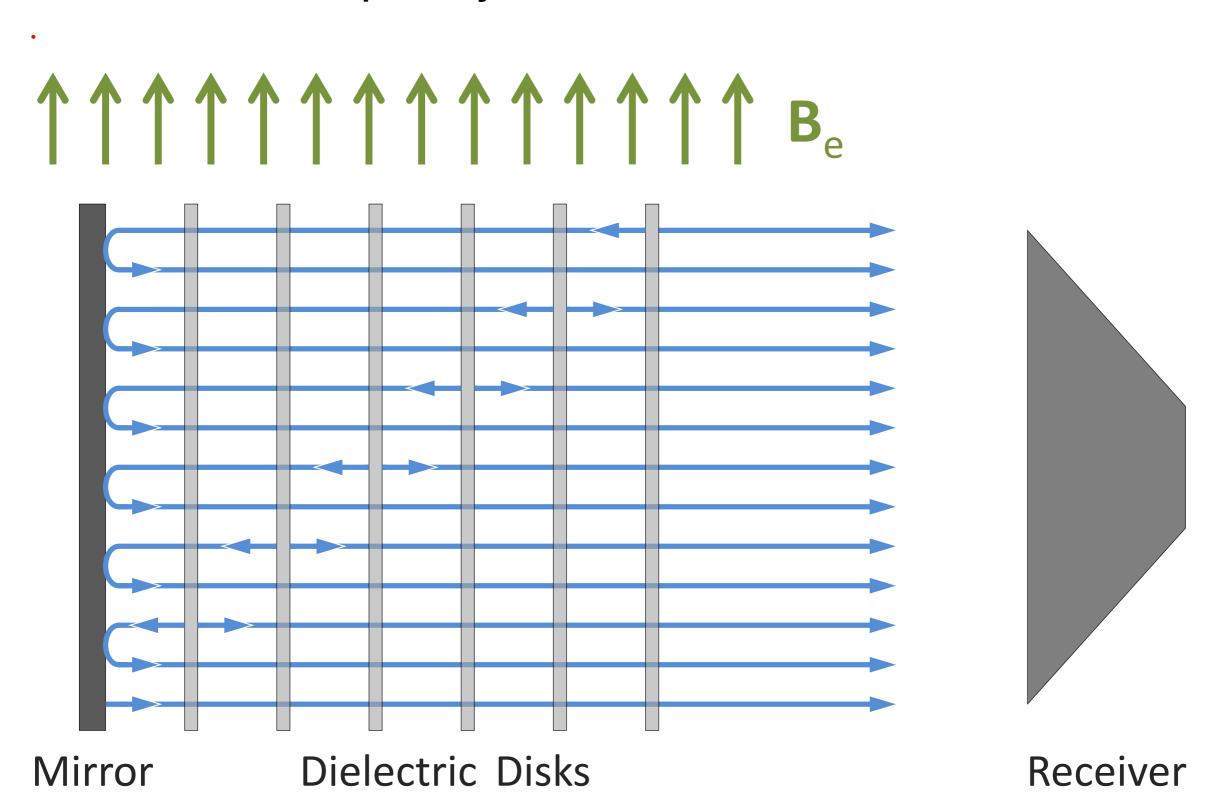
 $C_{a\gamma}^2 f_{\rm DM}$

 $k_1 \leftarrow$

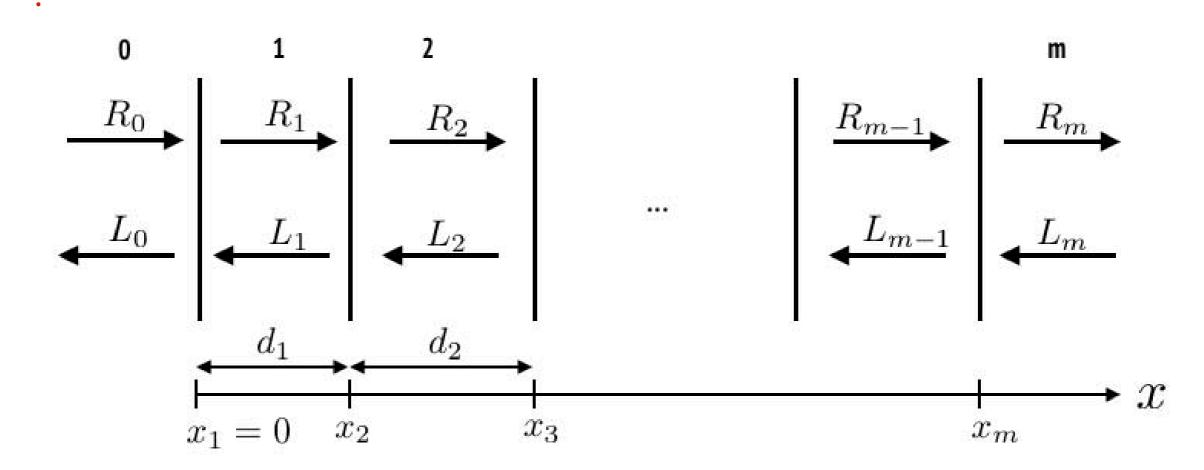
- too small to detect
- stronger B field? larger area?
- **→**resonator



resonator: multiple layers



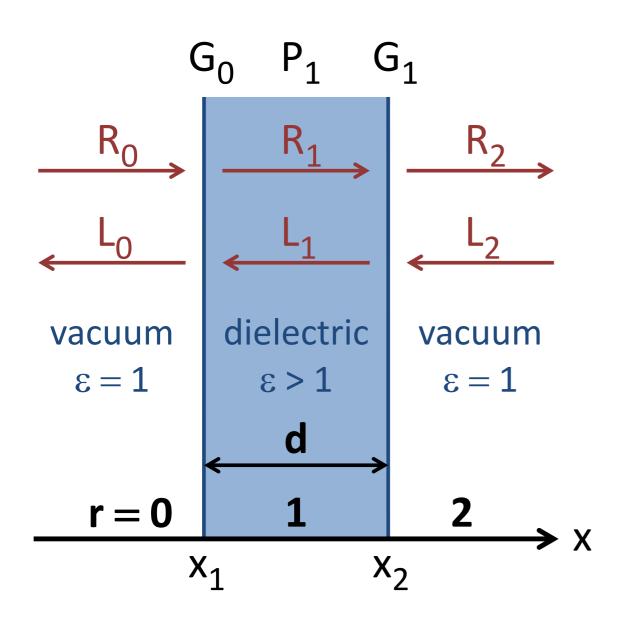
coherent superposition of amplitudes produced at all interfaces



- each layer transmits and reflects
- EM waves moving left and right
- transfer matrix formalism to relate amplitudes (skip here)
- can act as forced oscillator
- EM radiation escapes at open end

special case: 1 disc

simple case: one single disc with two interfaces



transmissivity:

$$\mathcal{T}_{D} = \frac{i 2n}{i 2n \cos \delta + (n^2 + 1) \sin \delta}$$

reflectivity:

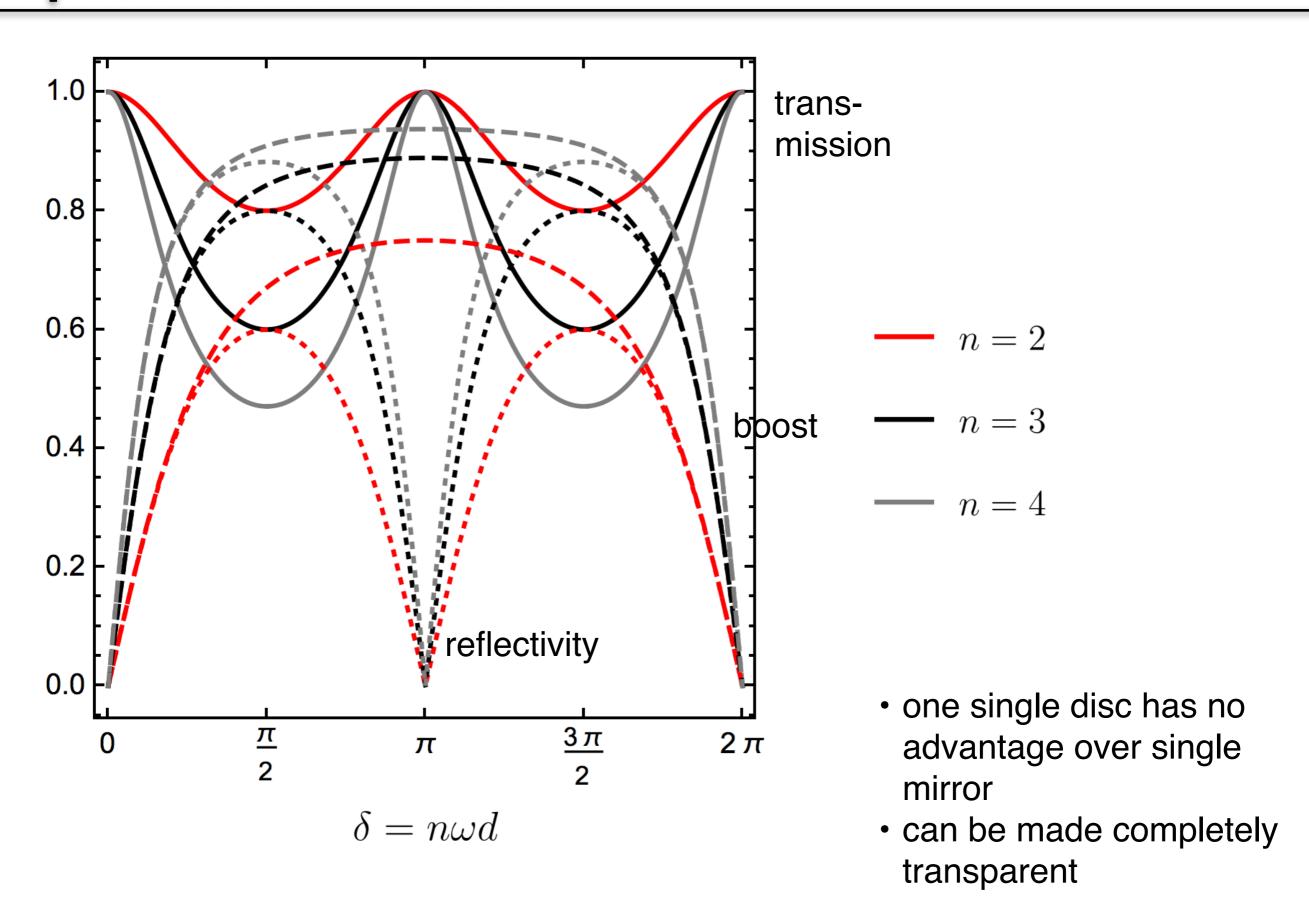
$$\mathcal{R}_{D} = \frac{(n^2 - 1) \sin \delta}{i \, 2n \cos \delta + (n^2 + 1) \sin \delta}$$

boost (amplitude in units of E_0):

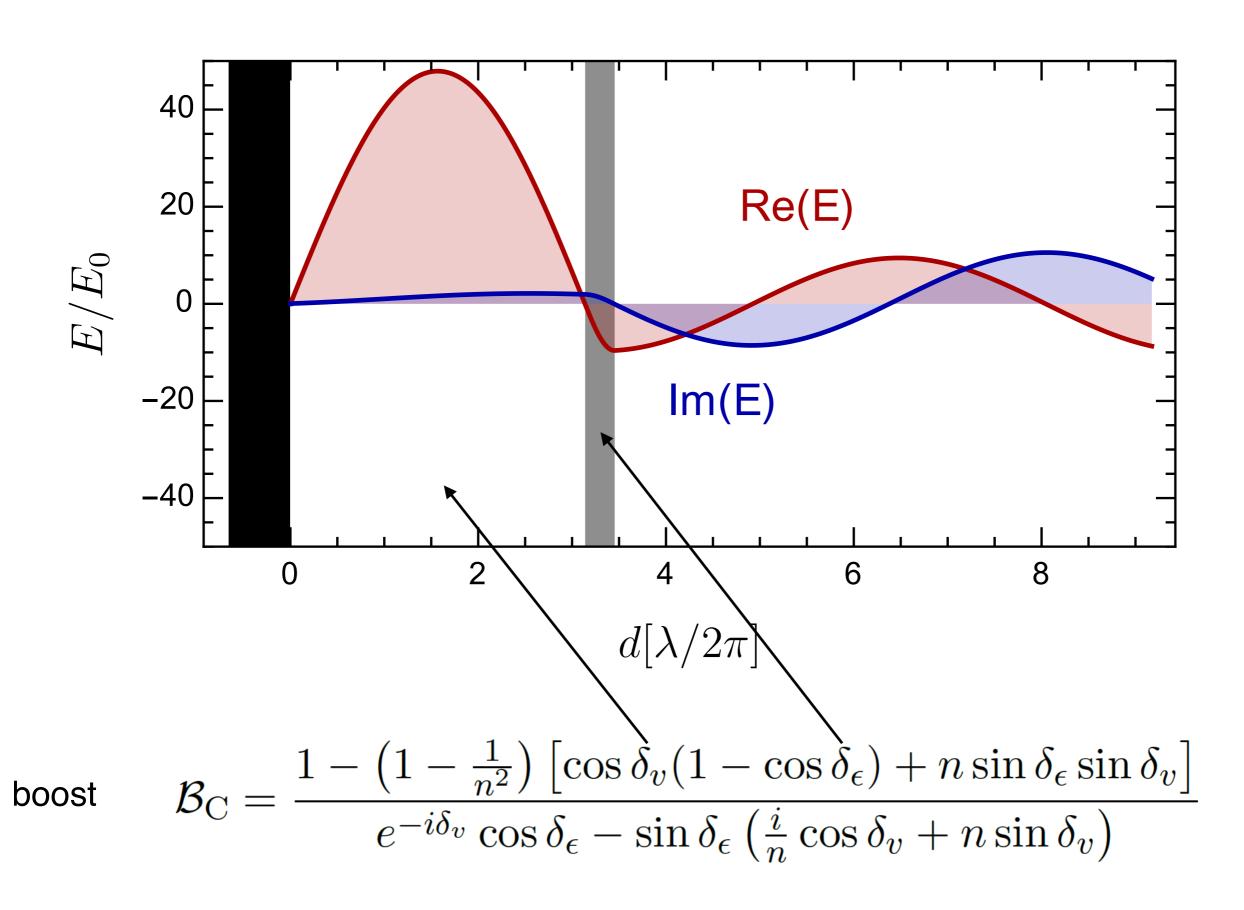
$$\mathcal{B}_{D} = \frac{(n^2 - 1)\sin(\delta/2)}{n^2\sin(\delta/2) + in\cos(\delta/2)}$$

Boost factor:
$$\beta = |\mathcal{B}|$$

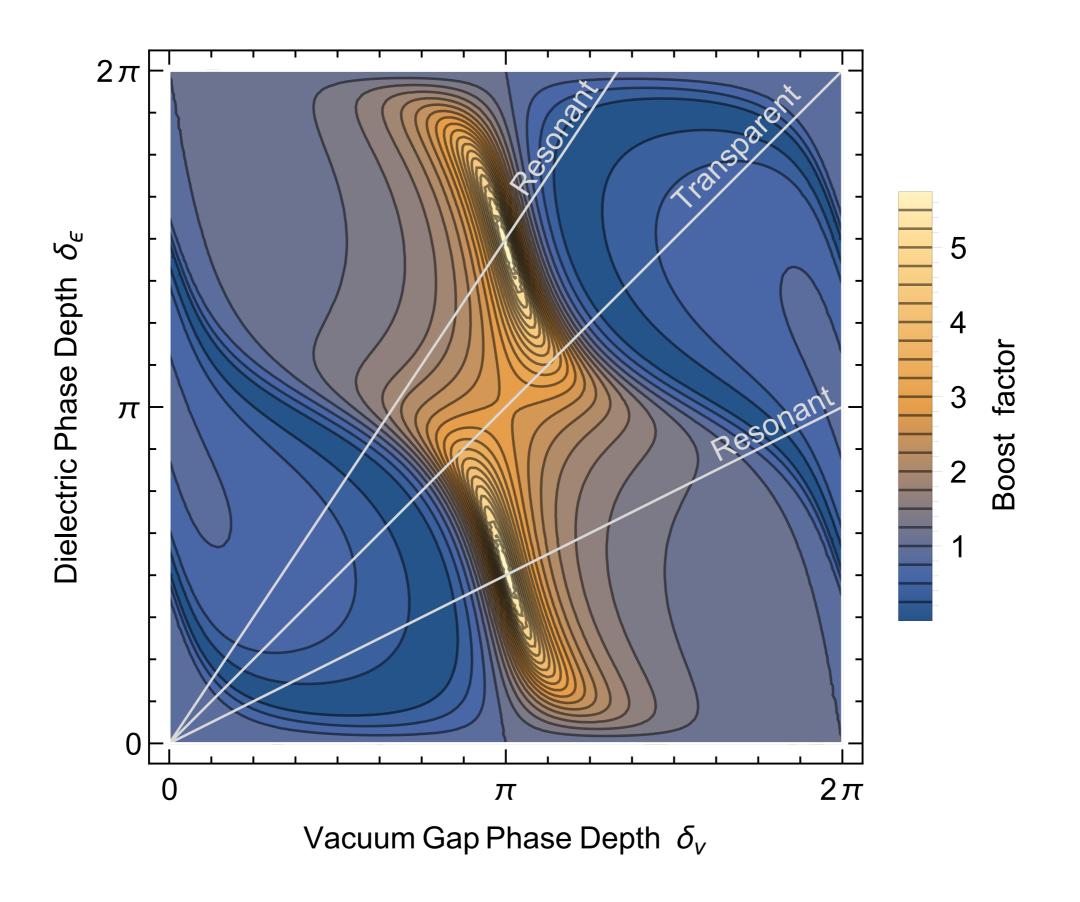
special case: 1 disc



special case: mirror with 1 disc

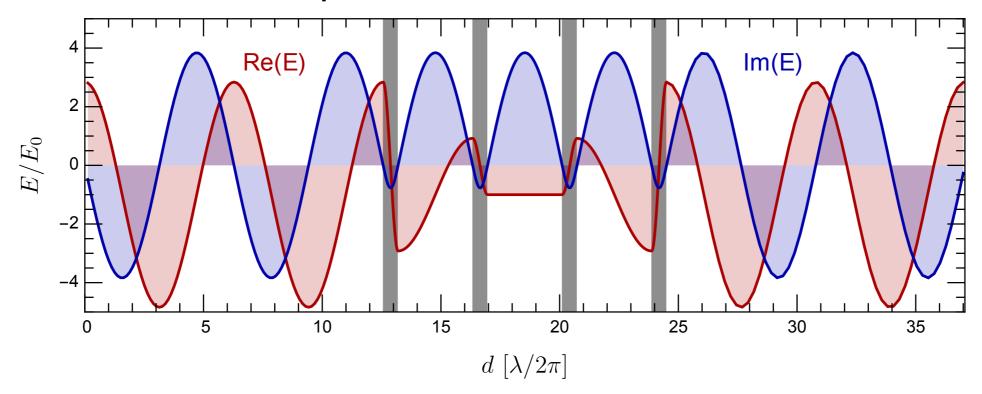


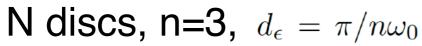
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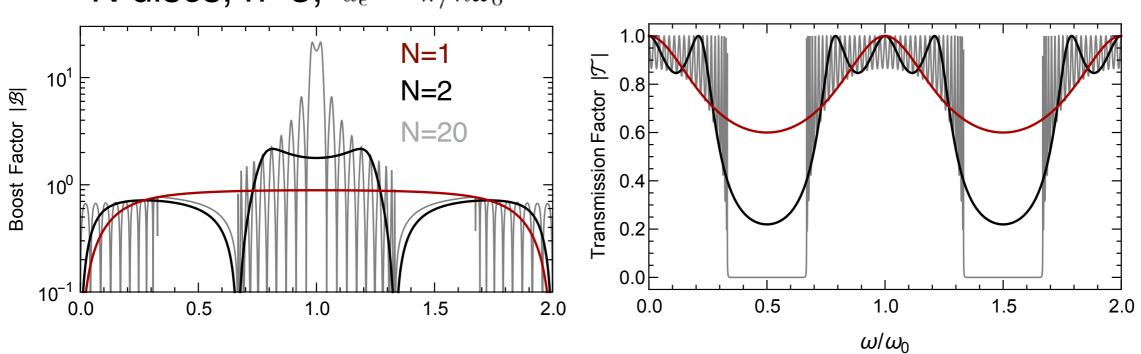


some other setups

4 discs, transparent, n=5



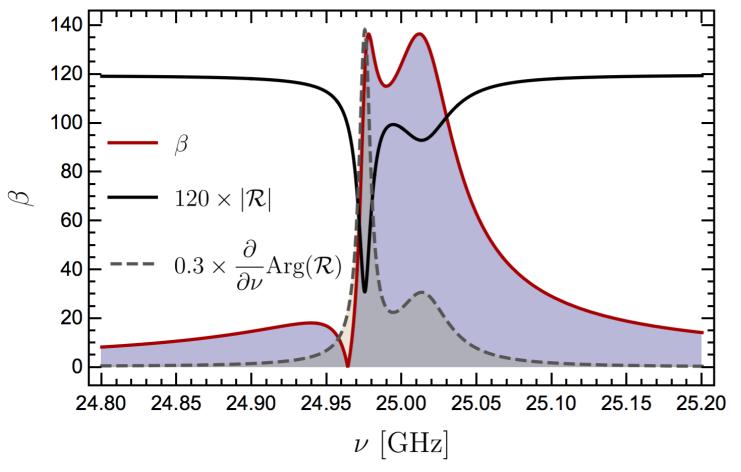




peak gets larger (with N) and narrower (1/N)

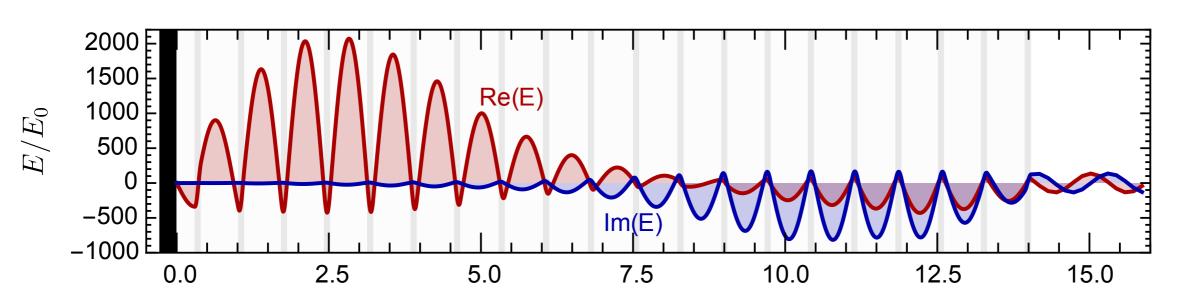
broadband response

20 discs with mirror, n=5



- desired bandwidth 50MHz
- find optimal disc positions by random walk in 20 dim param space

First Maximum



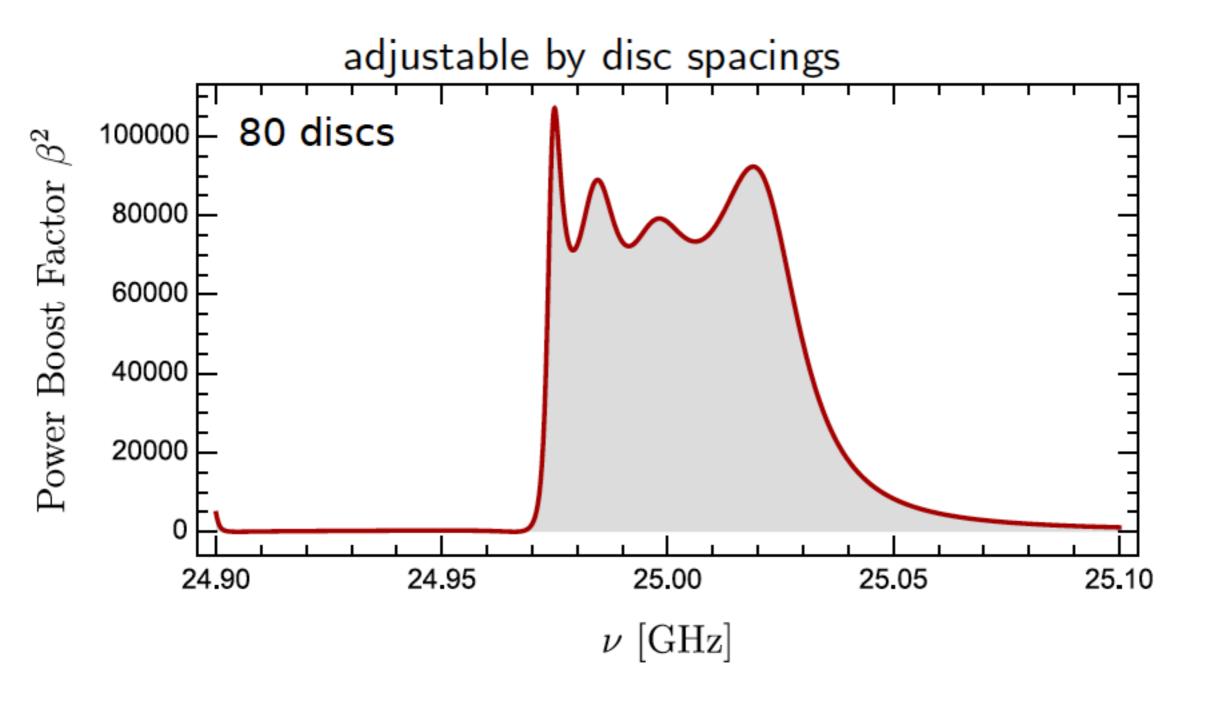
miracle:

- axion-photon conversion can be boosted by appropriate disc placement
- emitted power goes with boost²

$$\frac{P}{A} = 2.2 \times 10^{-27} \frac{W}{m^2} \left(\frac{B_e}{10T}\right)^2 C_{a\gamma}^2 f_{\rm DM} \cdot \beta^2$$

broadband response

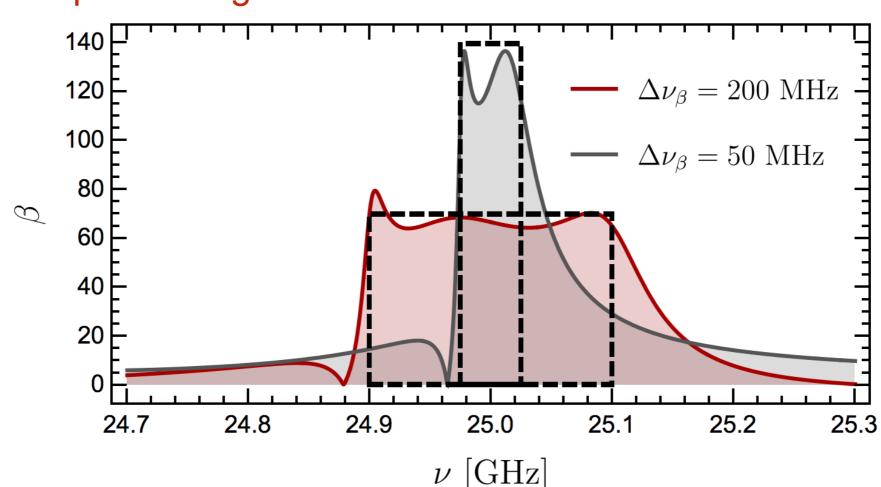
boosted power emission by 80 layers:

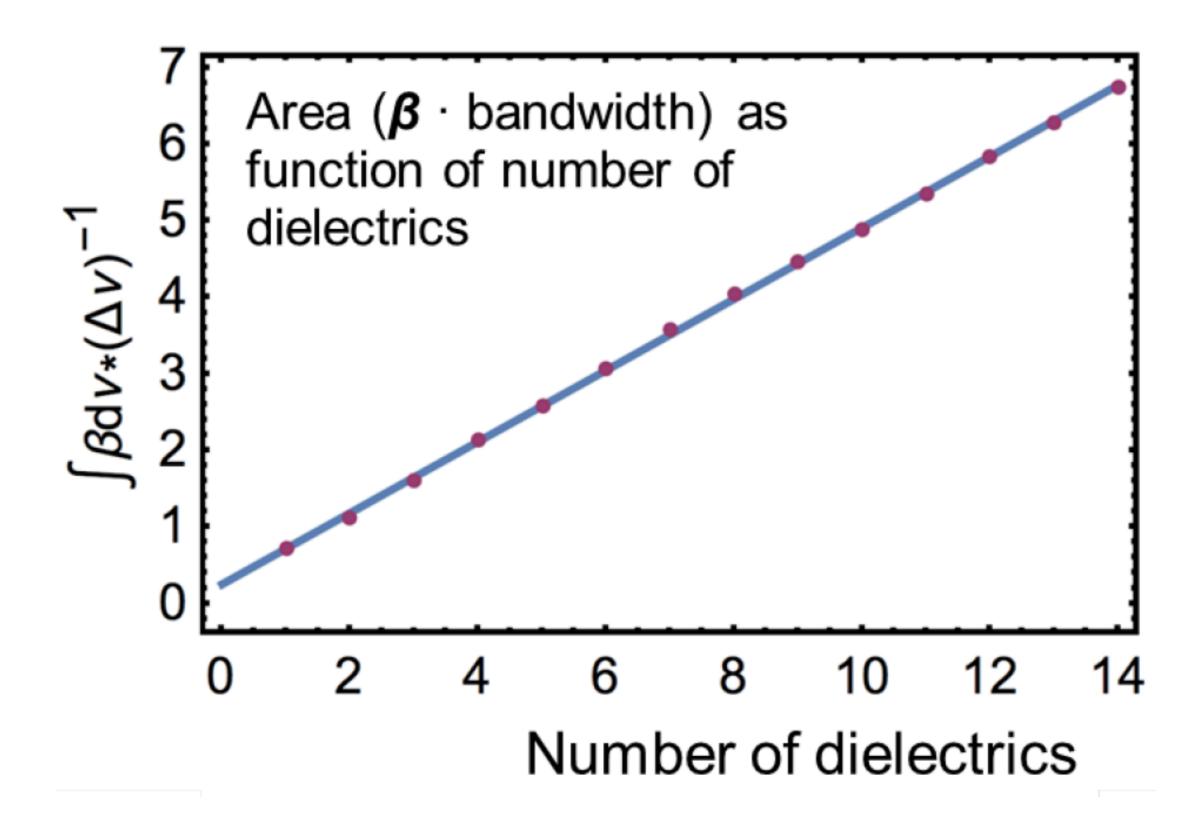


operating principles

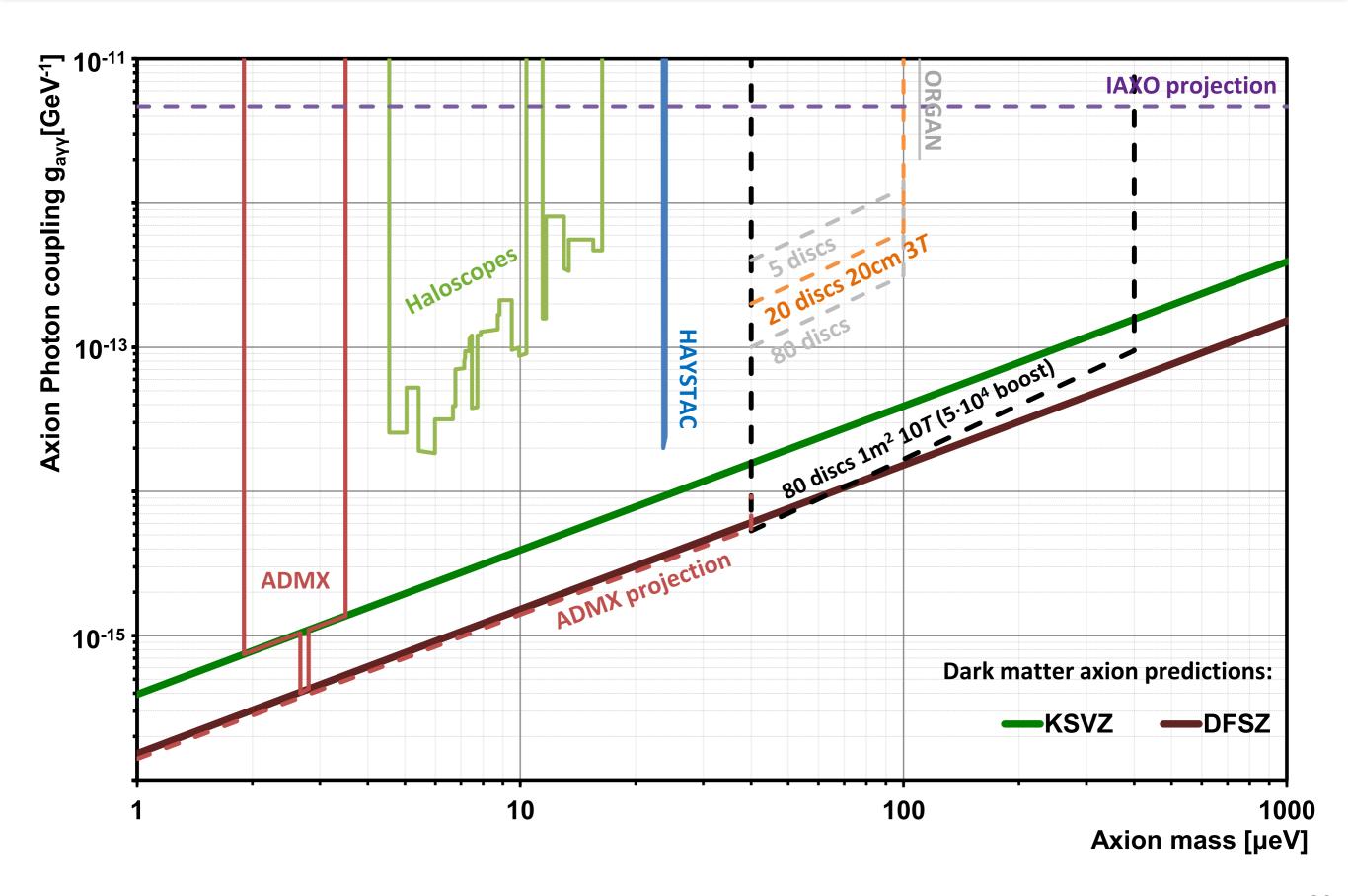
- equidistant layers:
 - large boost, good S/N
 - narrow frequency range
 - frequent disk -repositioning required
- slight misalignment of layers:
 - smaller boost, worse S/N
 - broad frequency range
 - less repositioning

- →trade-off for optimal sensitivity
- all disks need individual high-precision adjustment



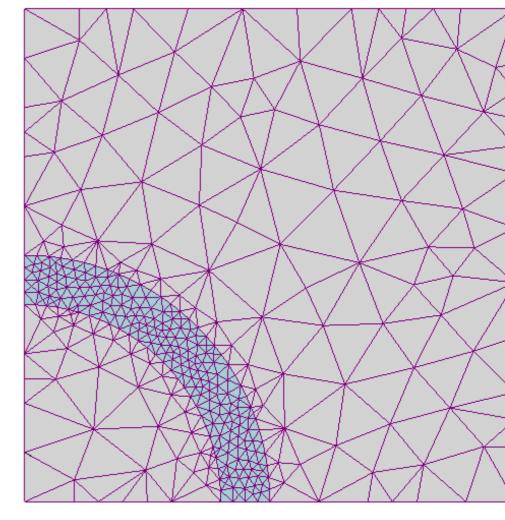


sensitivity calculation



simulation

- all of previous slides was for an idealized 1D calculation
- realistic situations include: diffraction, dielectric loss, tilts, surface roughness
- investigated with finite element simulations (FEM)
 - yields approximate values of the unknowns at discrete number of points over the simulation domain
 - subdivides a large problem into smaller, simpler parts (called finite elements)
 - simple equations that model these finite elements are then assembled into a larger system of equations that models the entire problem

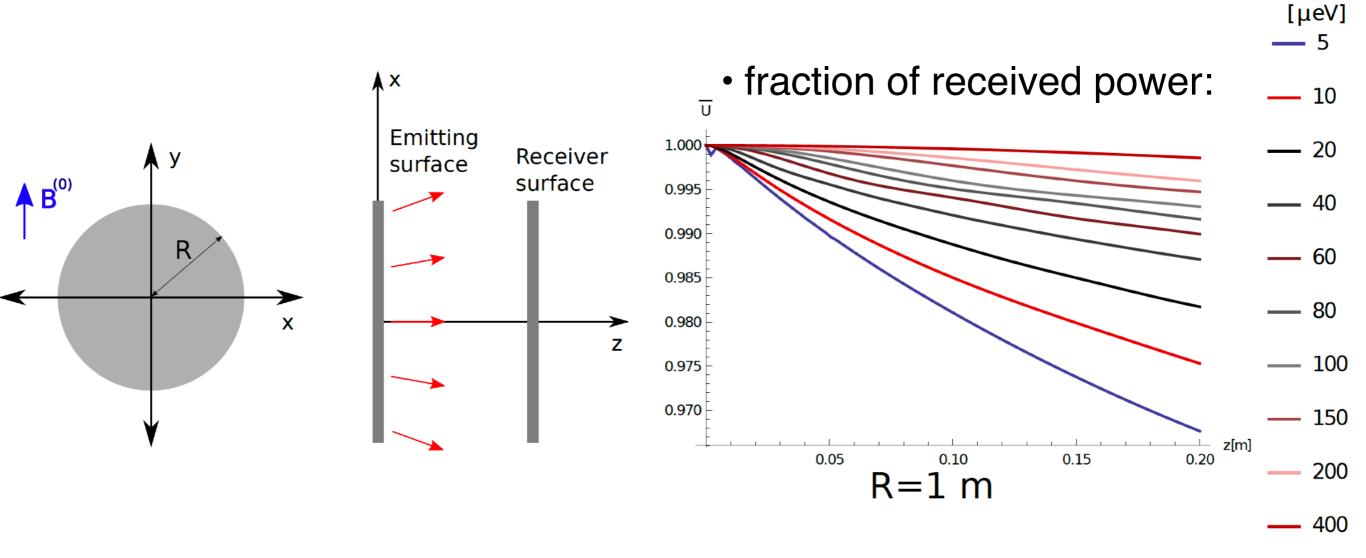


FEM simulation

PDE to solve

$$\nabla \times (\mu^{-1}\nabla \times \mathbf{E}) - m_a^2 \epsilon \mathbf{E} - m_a \mathbf{B}^{(0)} a^{(0)} = 0,$$

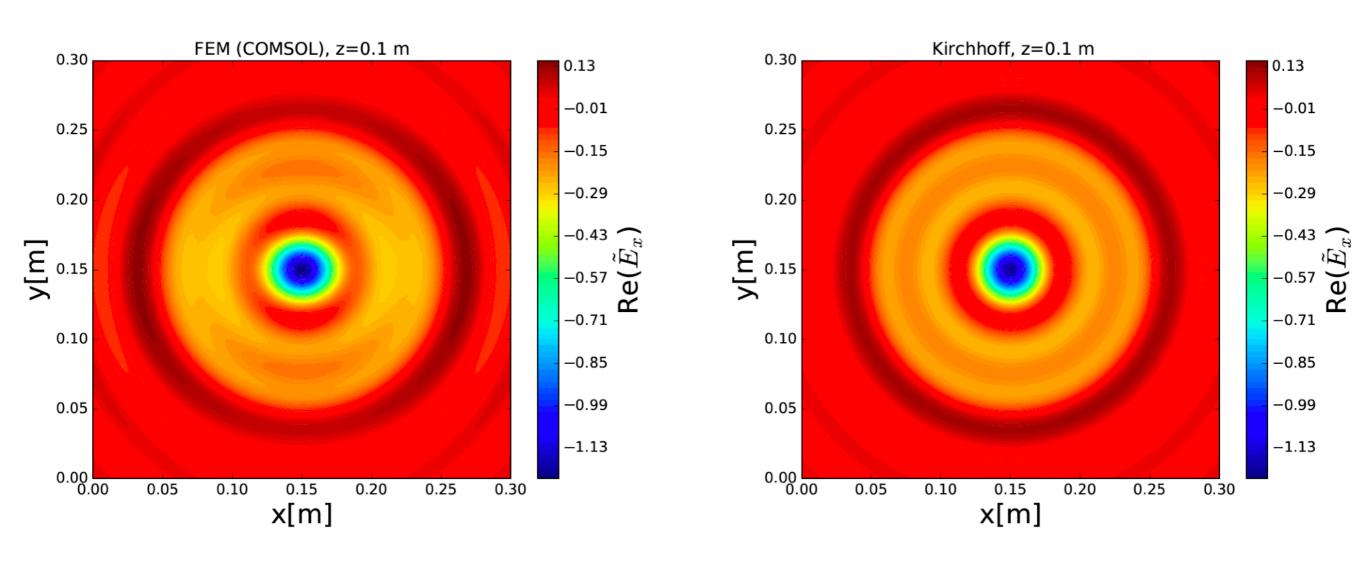
verify simple cases:



- find that power is lost through diffraction
- loss is larger for smaller axion masses

FEM simulation

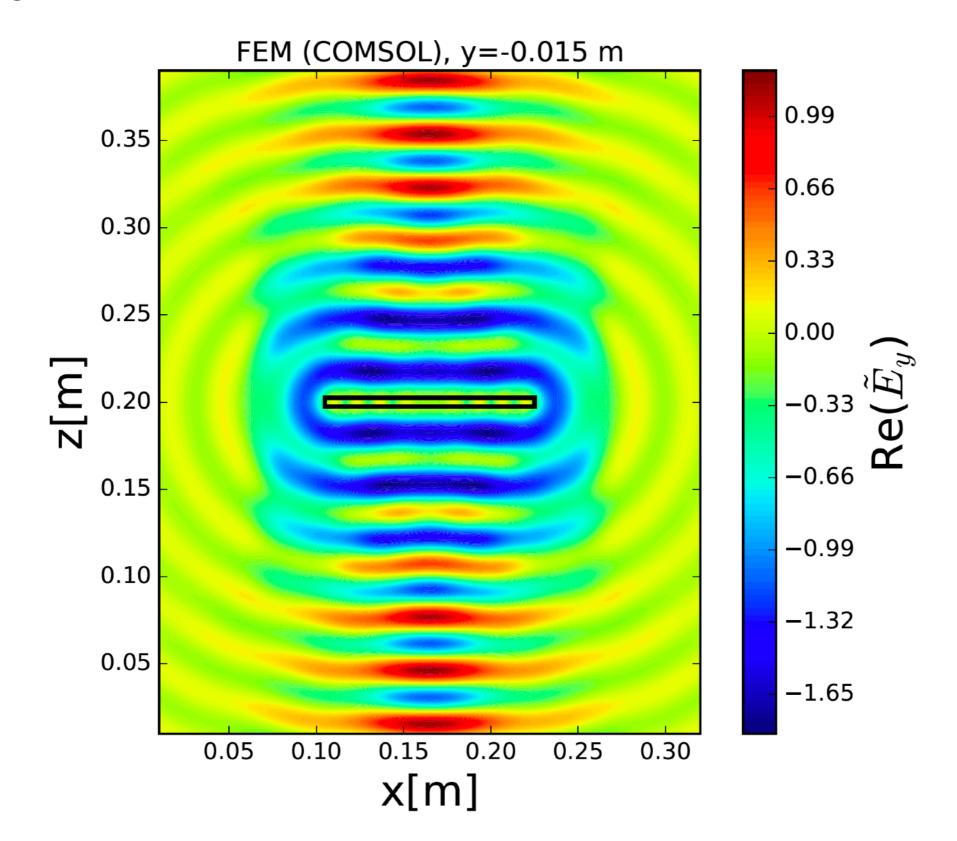
compare FEM to Kirchhoff calculation:



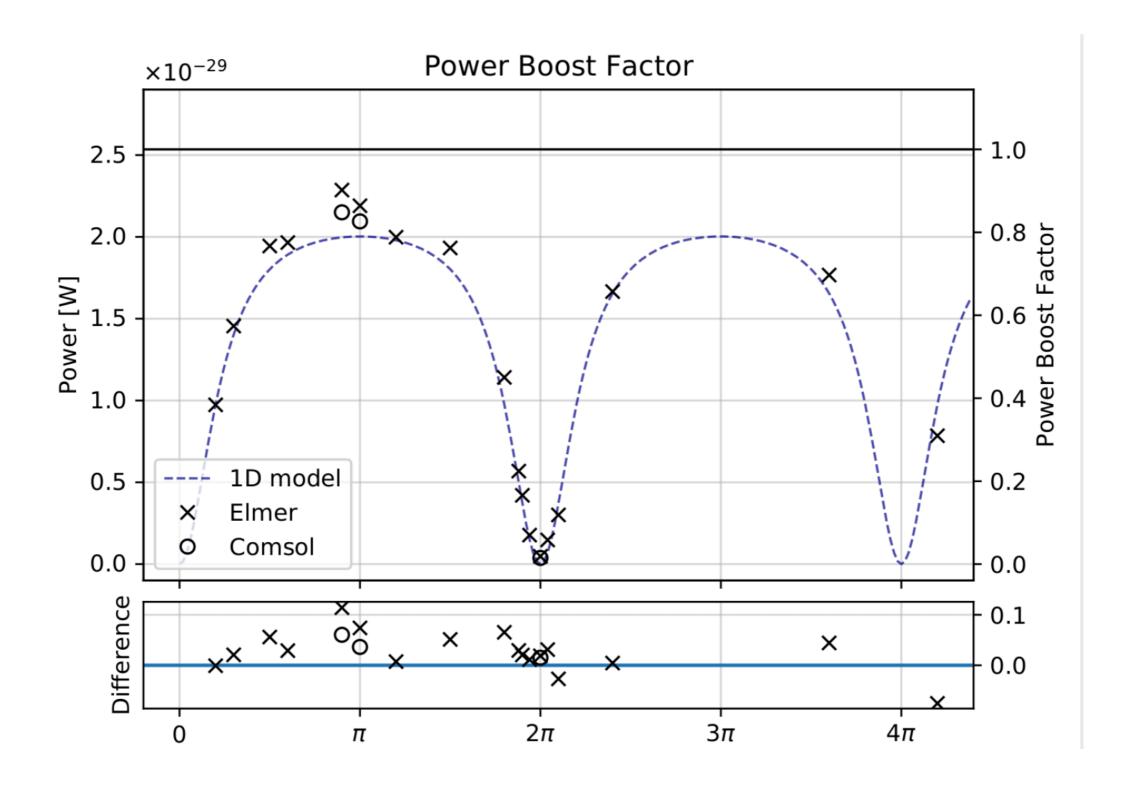
• can reproduce analytical results as far as available

FEM simulation

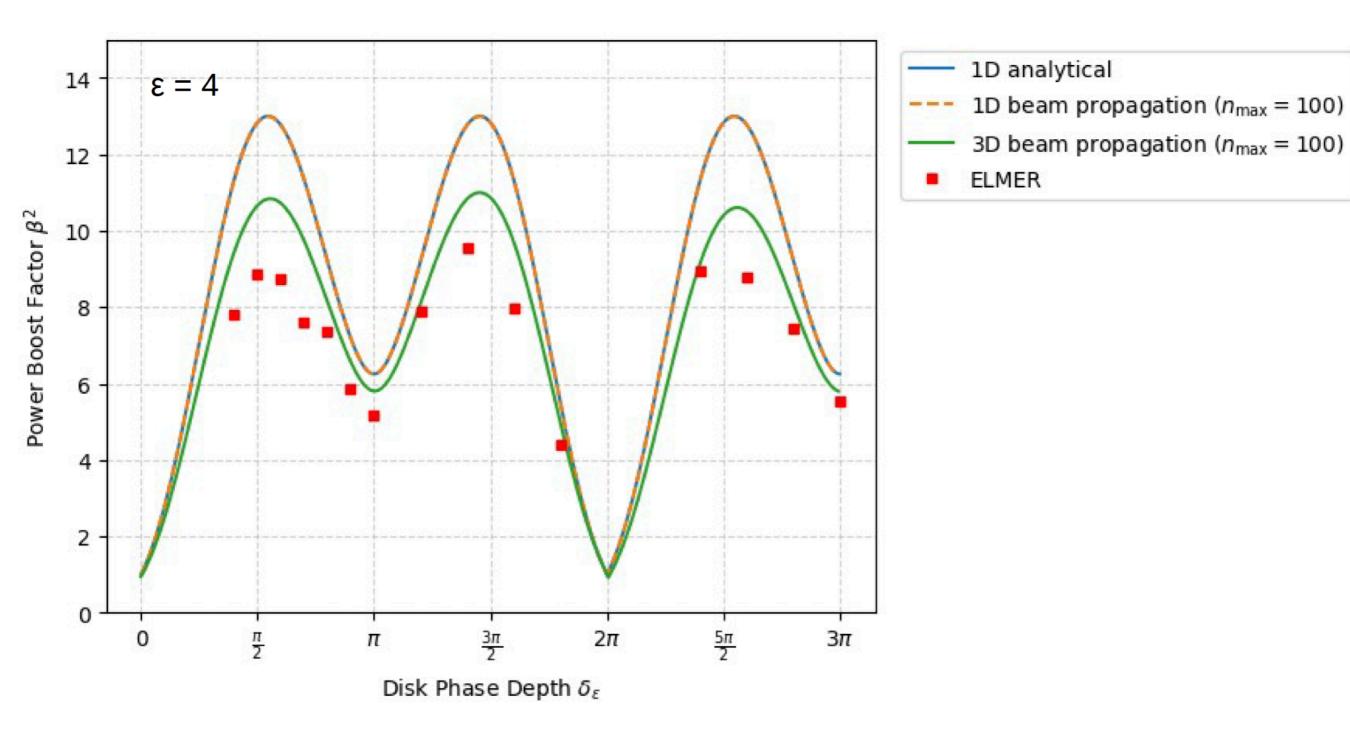
• single dielectric disc:



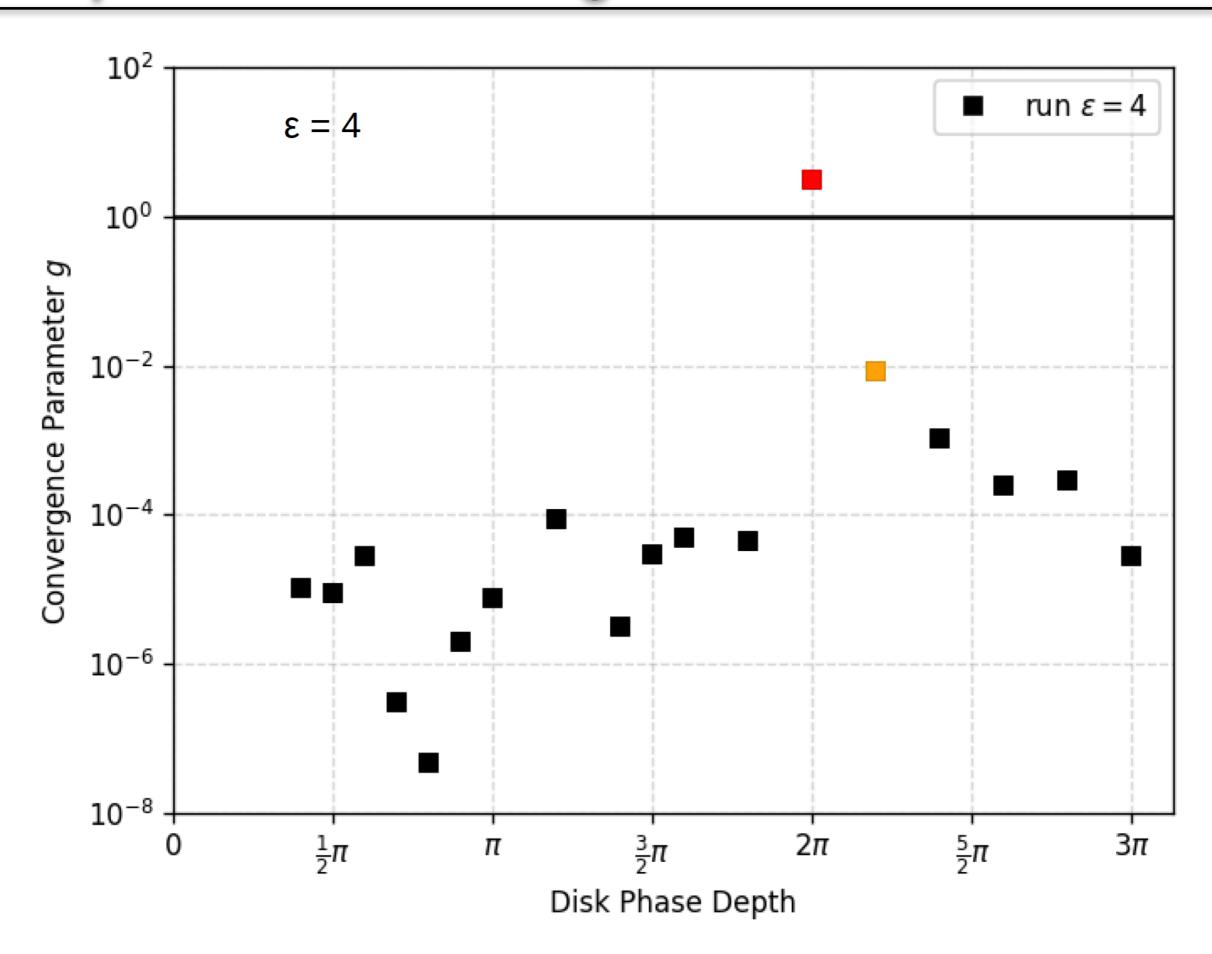
comparison single disk



comparison disk plus mirror



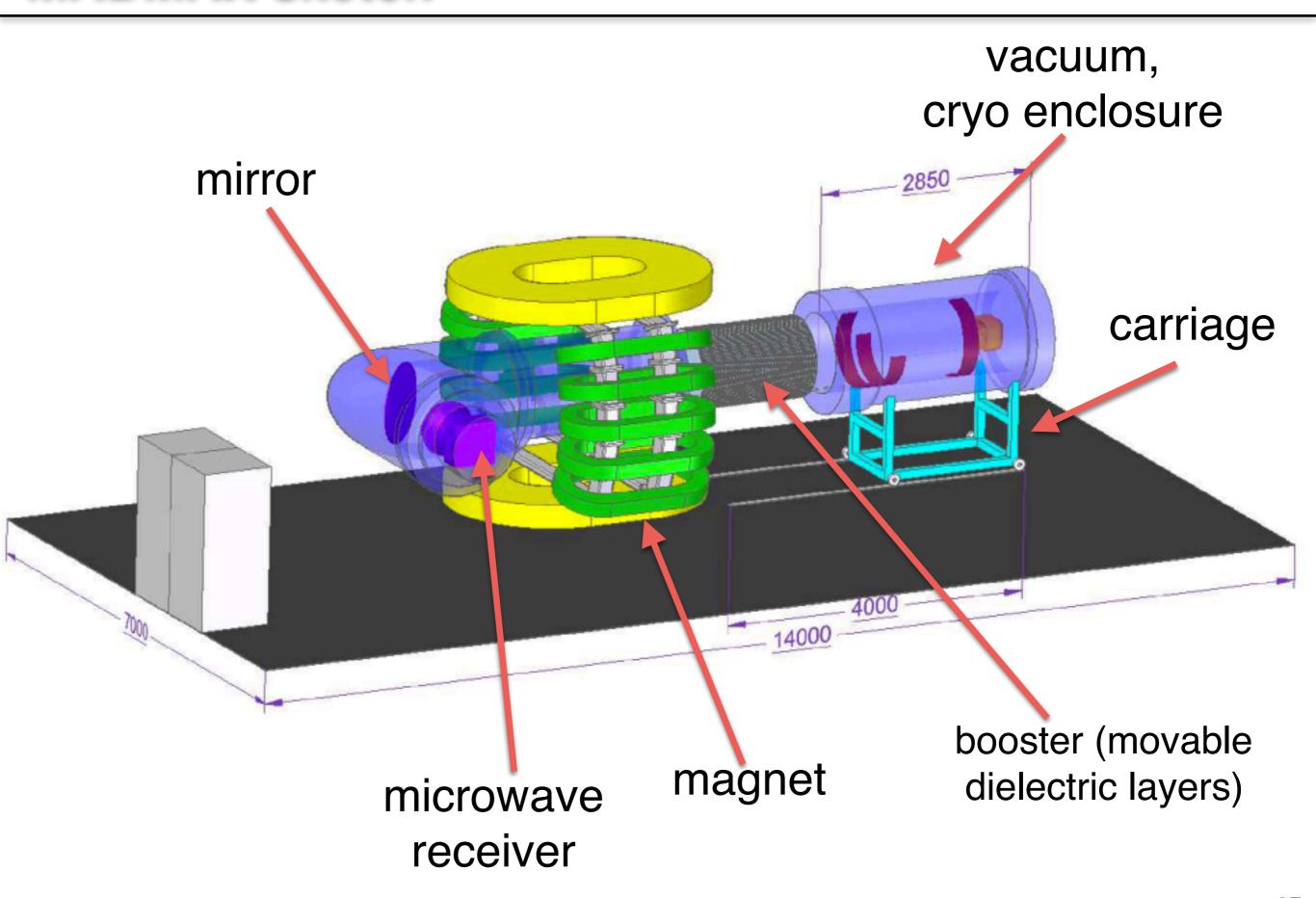
disk plus mirror: convergence



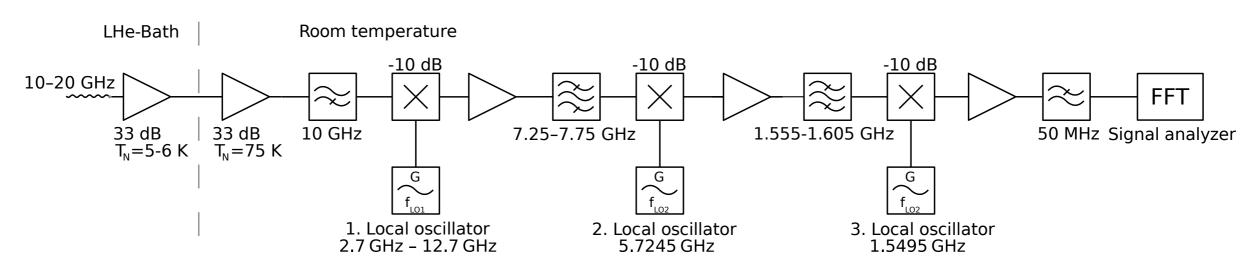
MADMAX simulation

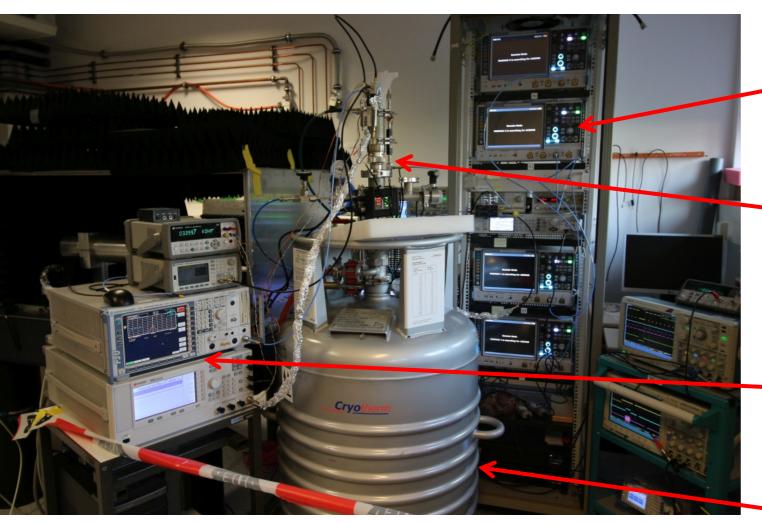
- convergence is an issue for FEM solvers, even in simple cases (mirror plus very few disks)
- impossible to fully simulate 3D model of full experiment:
 - convergence
 - too much CPU
 - too much memory
- in the process of developing custom "fast" simulation
 - could be based on 1D calculations with "fudge" factors applied

MADMAX sketch



receiver test





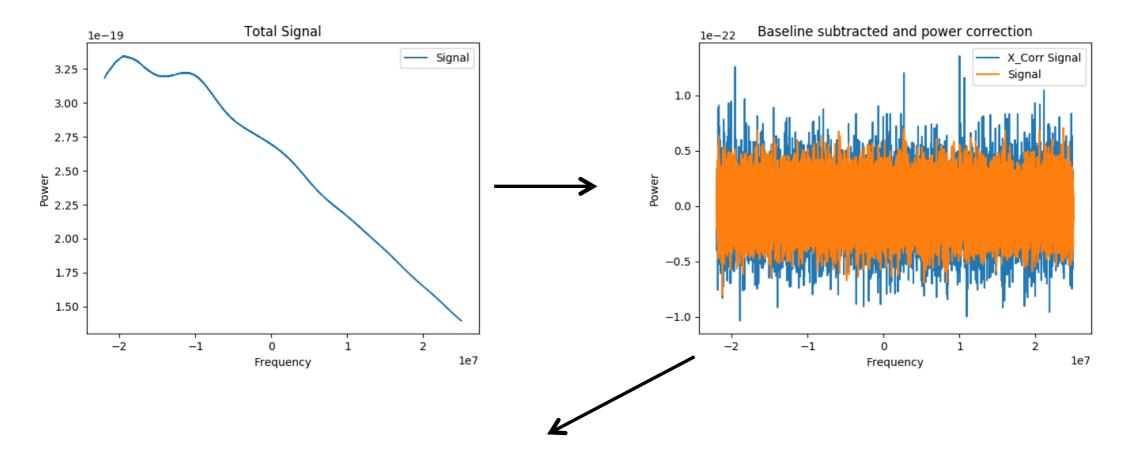
Signal analyzer (4 samplers, 1.4% dead time)

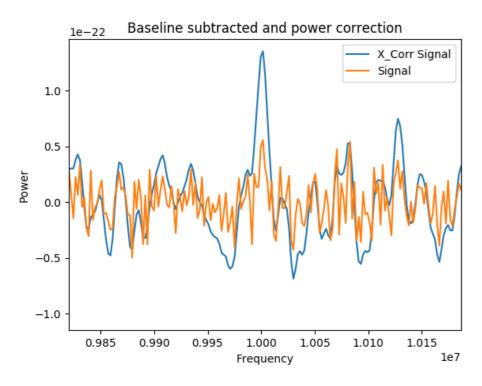
Front end mixers and amps

Fake axion

LHe bath \rightarrow 4K T_{He} + 5.5K T_{Amp} = 9.5K T_{Sys}

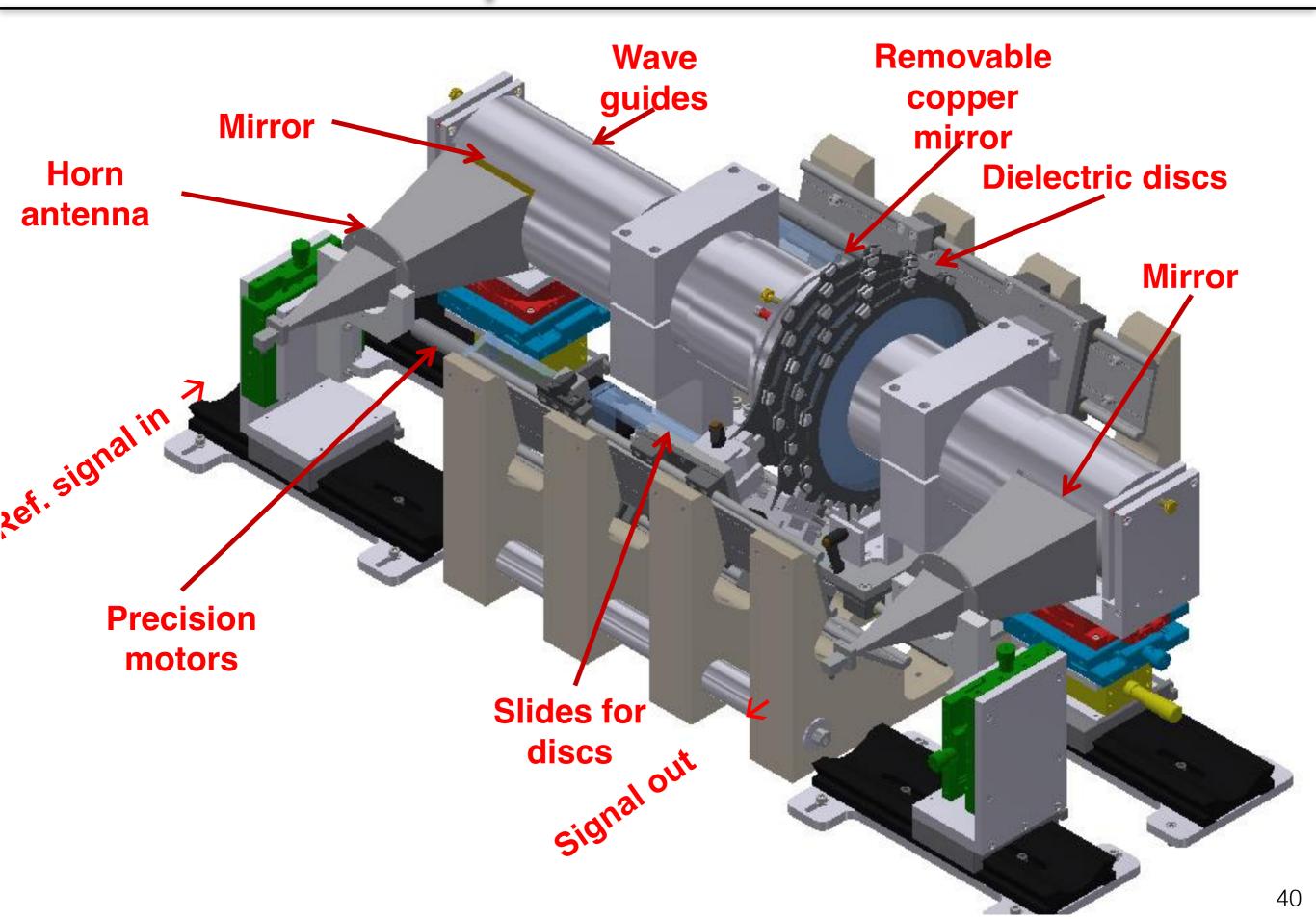
receiver test





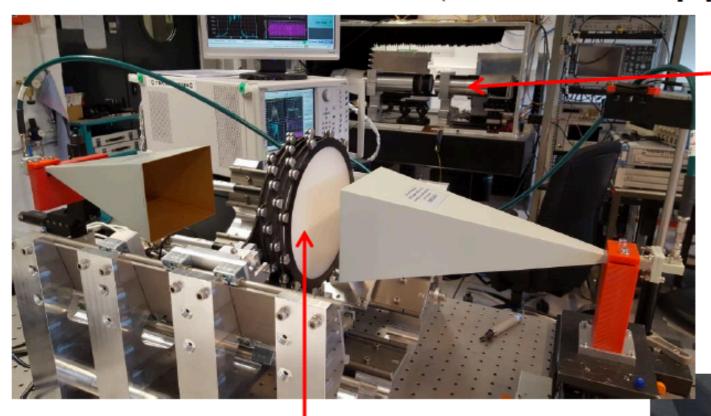
- Inject fake 18GHz axion signal with 10-22 W power
- Measurement for 28 hours (integrate signal): Receiver at LHe temp.
- → Cross correlation analysis (8kHz Lorentz shaped)
- \rightarrow found ~5 σ signal succesfully
- → For 1 week measurement: Sensitivity at the level of ~ few 10⁻²³ W

MADMAX test setup



test setup in Munich

The real device (200mm sapphire disks):



Waveguide system (for background reduction)

Receiver horn

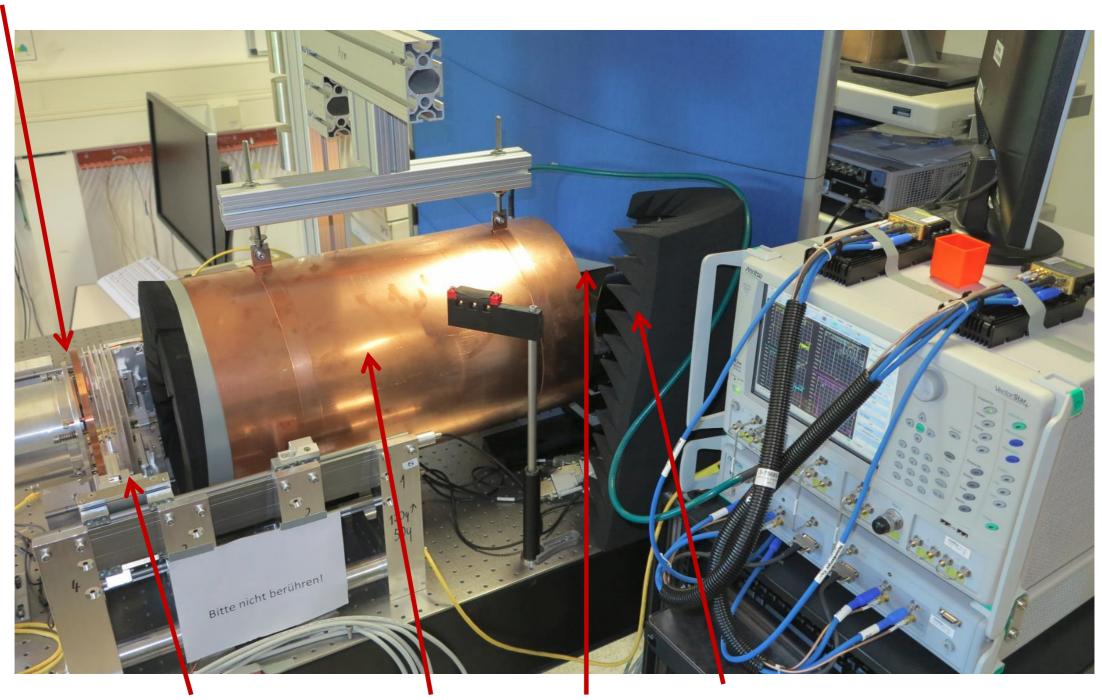
Parabolic mirror

Resonator (adjustable) 5(4) disks, sapphire

Drive motor (100nm accuracy)

MADMAX prototype

Removable copper mirror



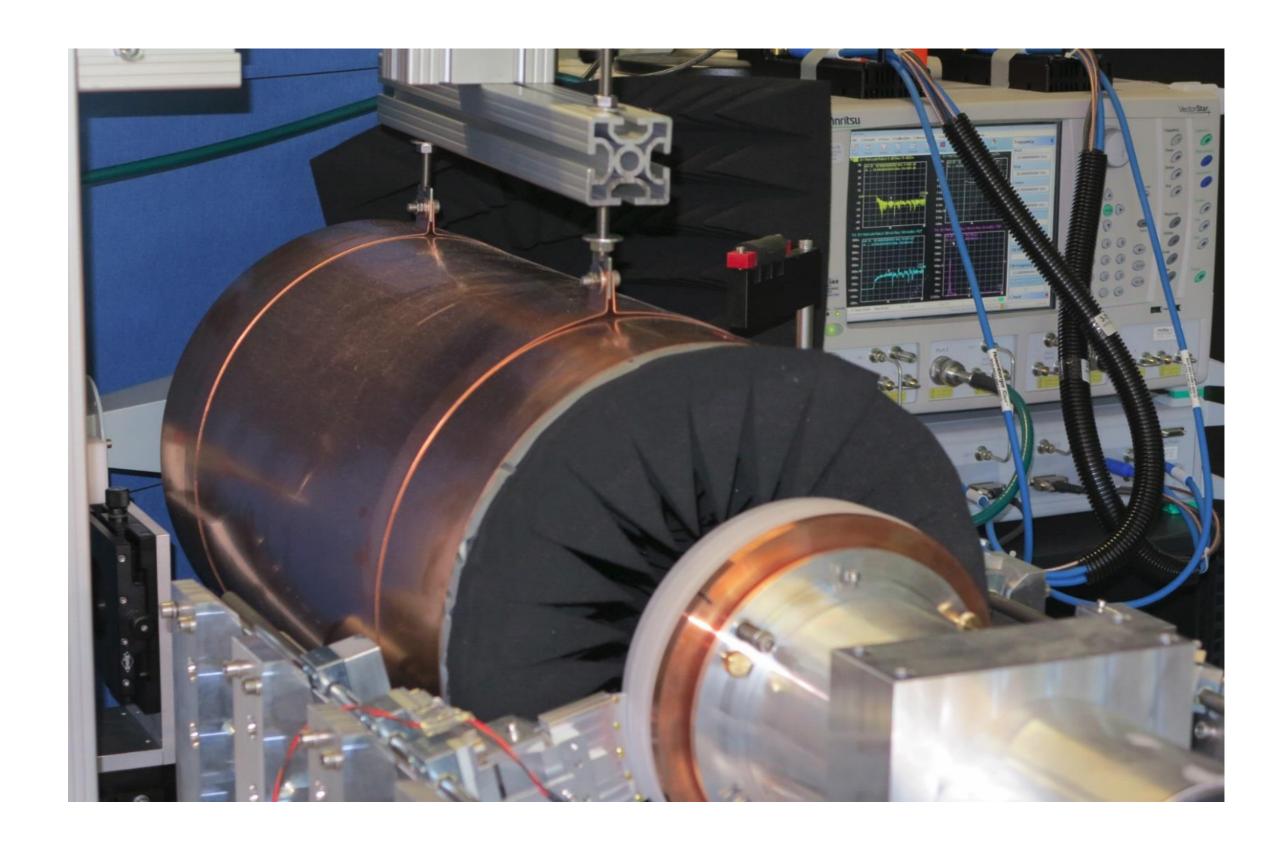
Dielectric discs (Saphire)

"Wave guide"

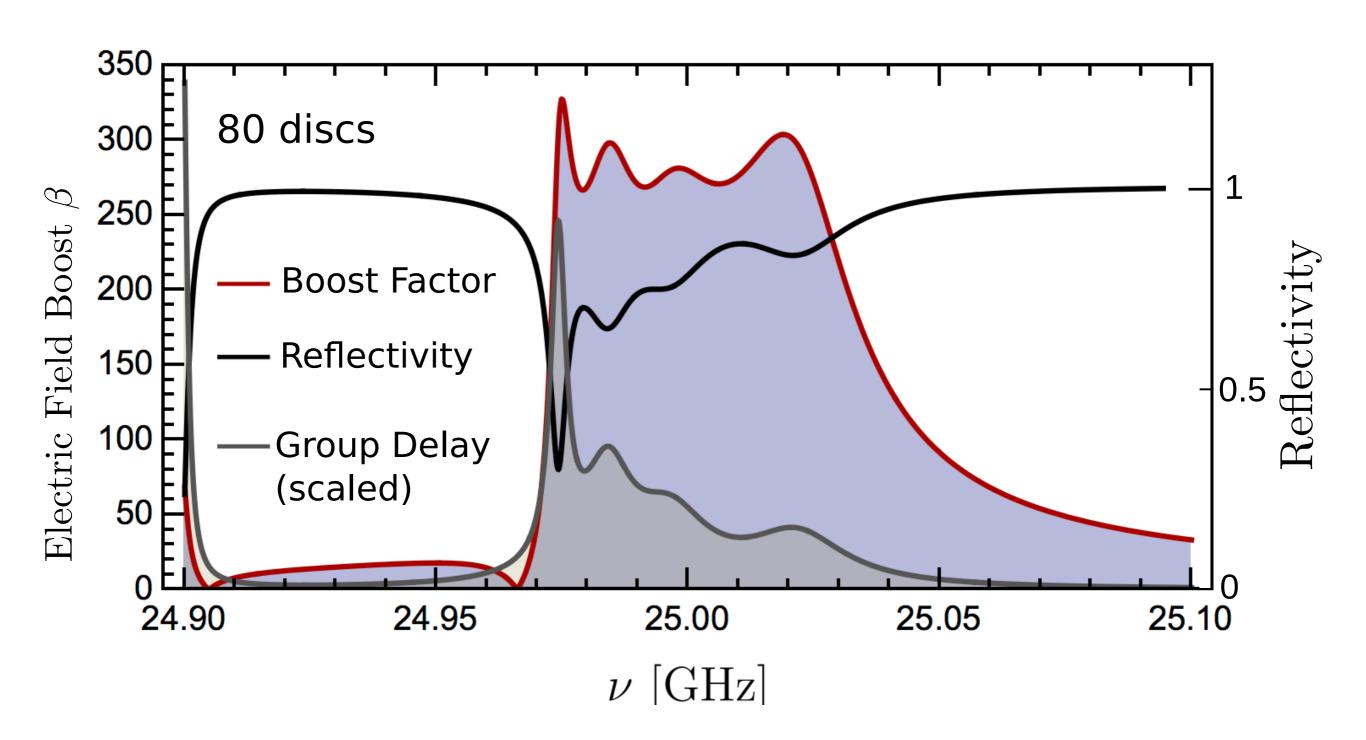
Horn antenna

Mirror

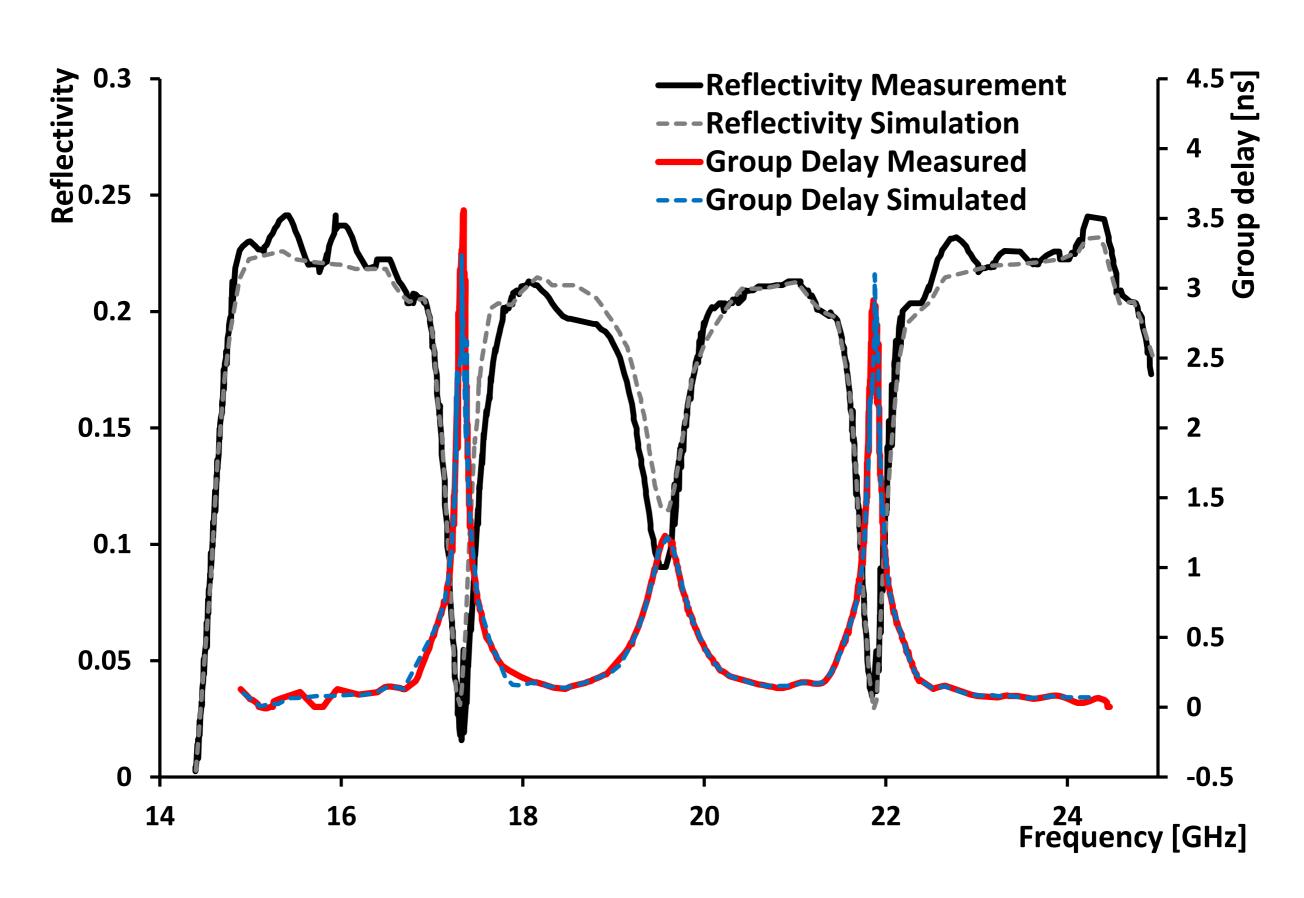
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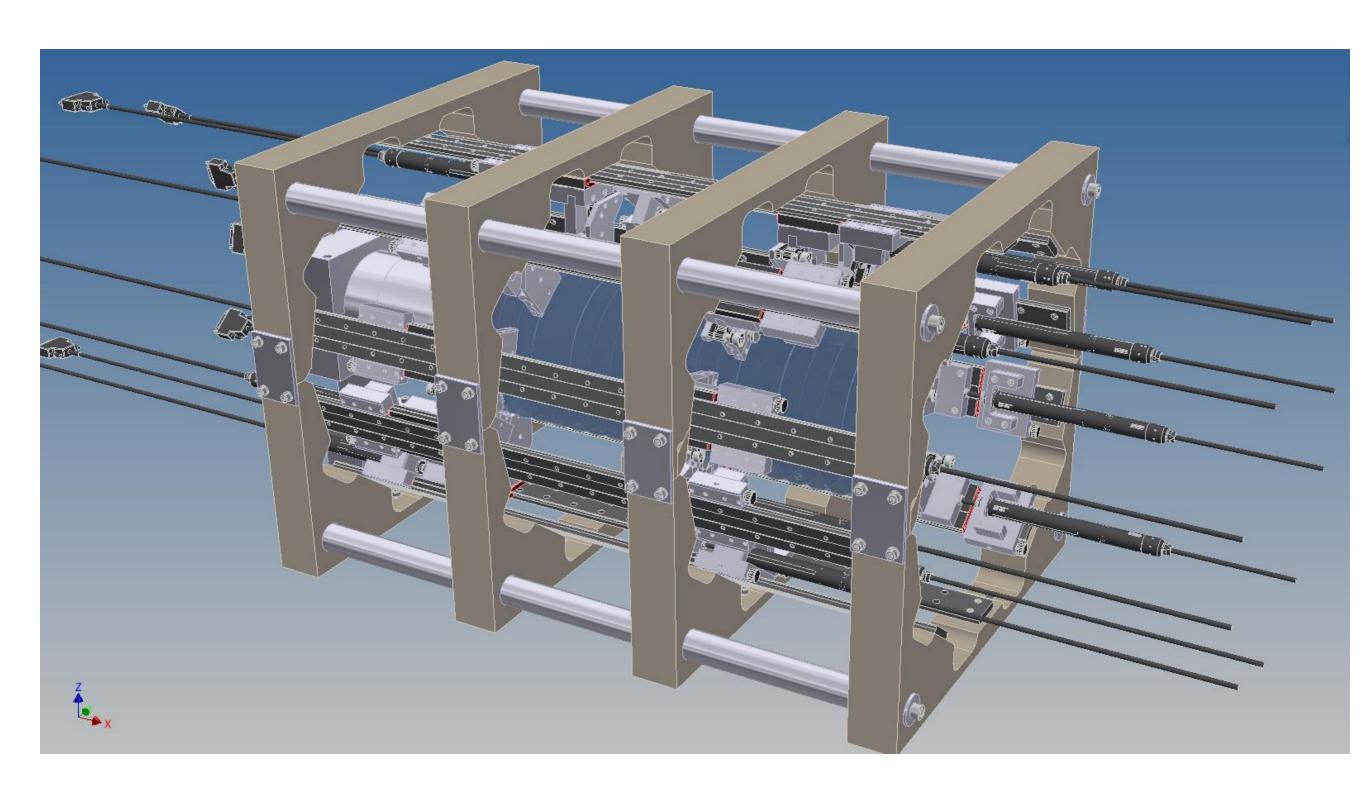
- boost factor cannot be measured directly
 - exploit correlation with observable quantities



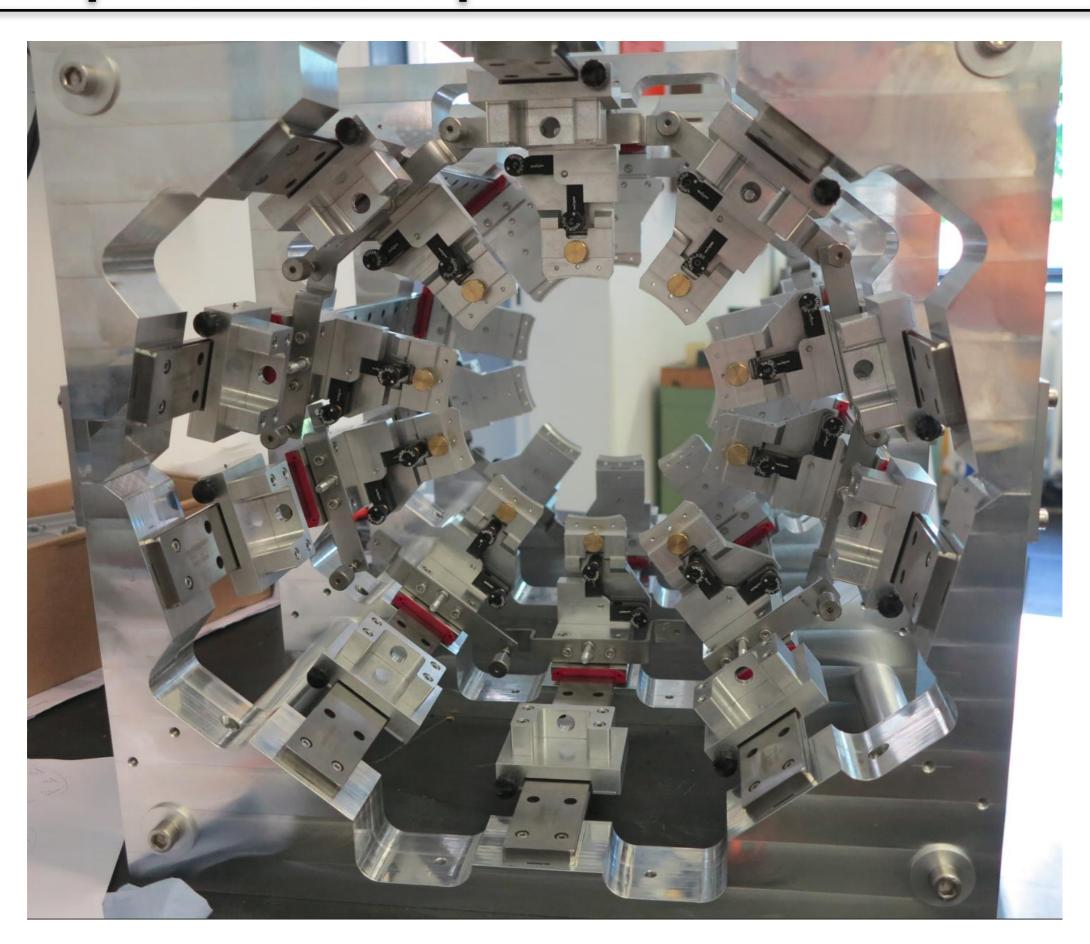
measurement at test setup



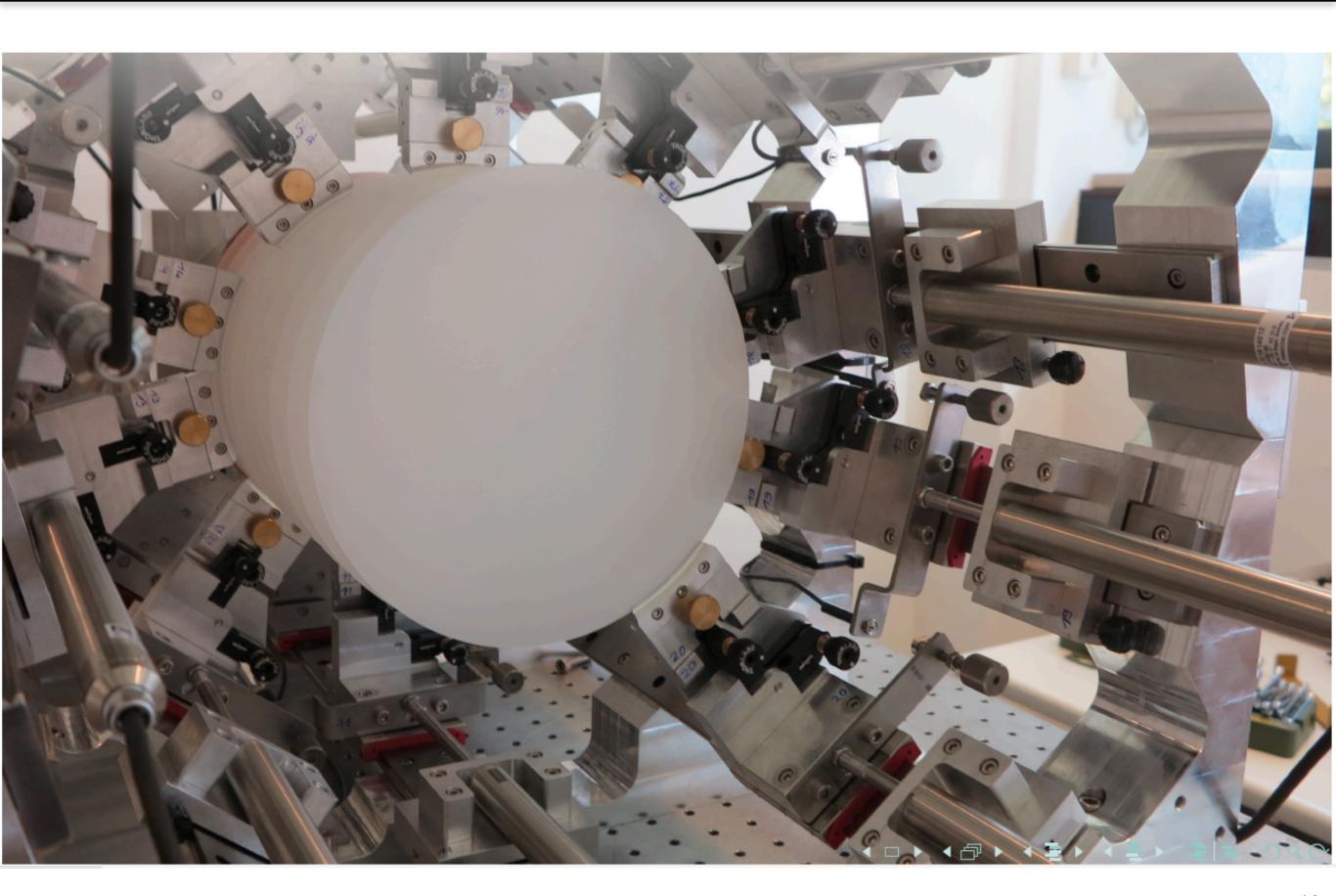
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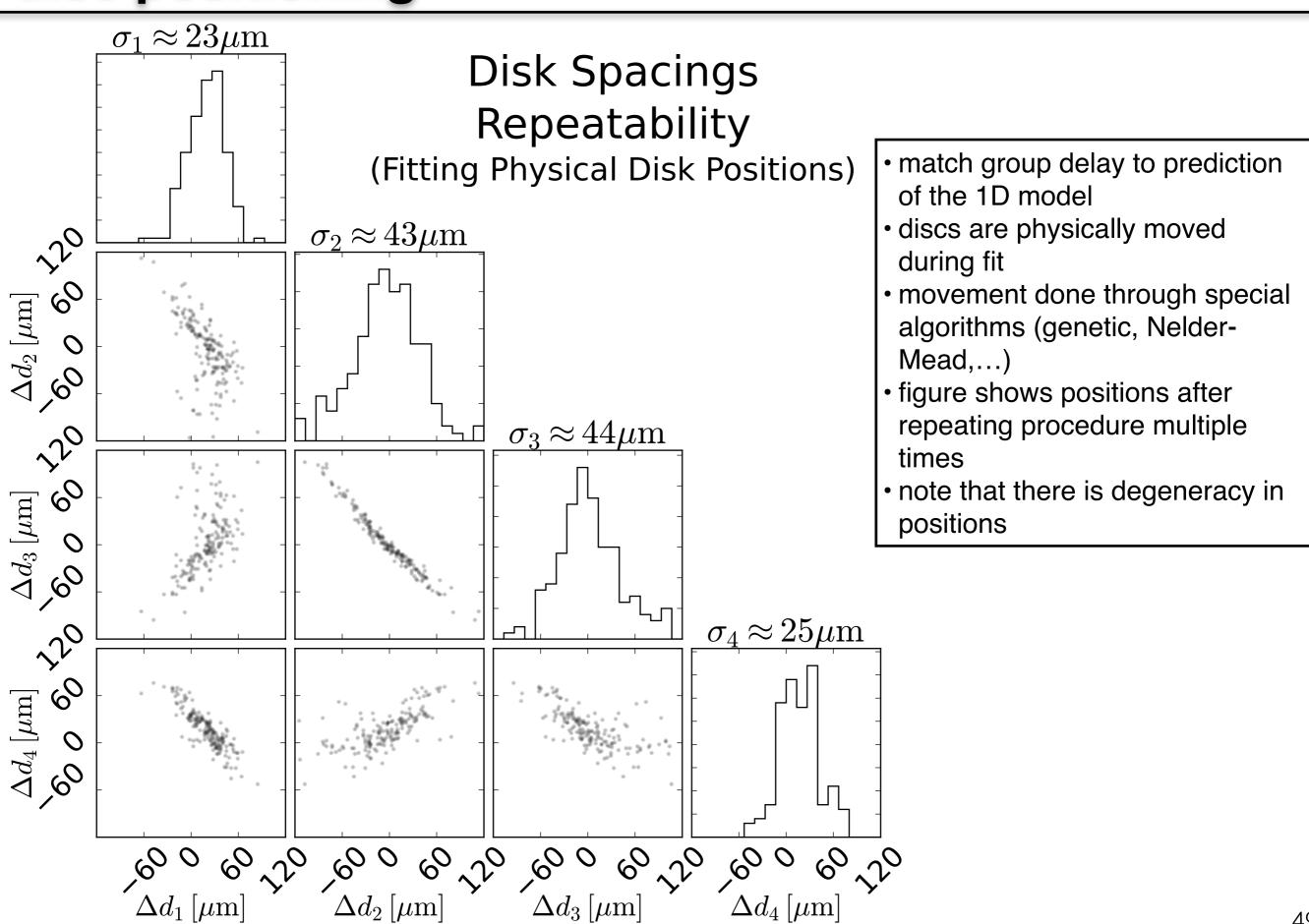
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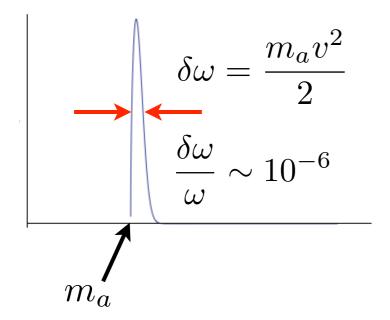
disc positioning



MADMAX experiment

- challenges:
 - huge and strong magnet 10 T (never built before)
 - large, thin dielectric media 1m², to be moved around with high precision (in vacuum, cold, strong field)
 - tiny signal, unknown frequency
 - (is DM located here or elsewhere?)
 - coherence:

$$\omega \simeq m_a (1 + v^2/2 + \dots)$$



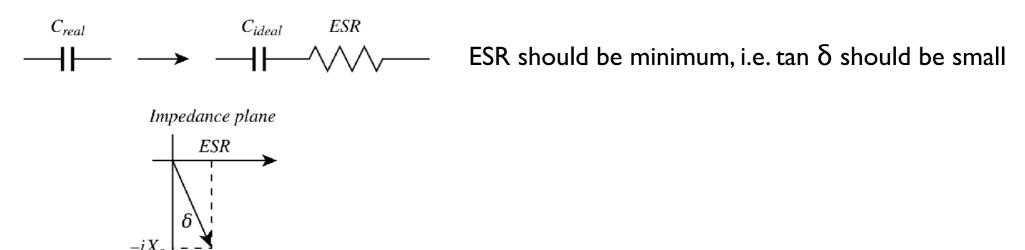
coherence length

$$\delta L \sim \frac{1}{\delta p} \sim 20 \text{m} \left(\frac{10^{-5} \text{eV}}{m_a} \right)$$

dielectric material

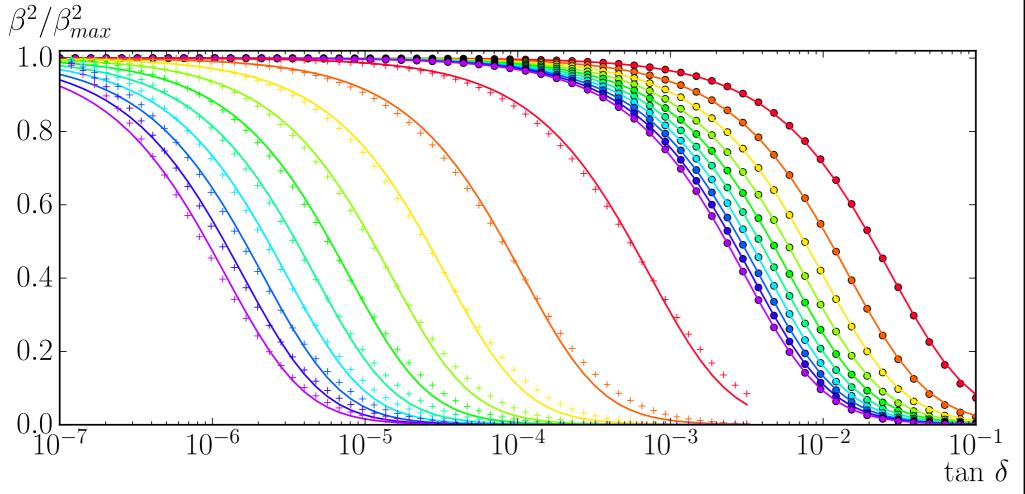
- Problem: find the ideal dielectric material to obtain
 - high boost factors
 - over a large surface
- ideal dielectric has:
 - \blacksquare High dielectric constant ($\epsilon > 10$) for large axion/photon conversion factor
 - Low loss (tan $δ < 10^{-5}$) in order to reduce photon loss

real dielectric = ideal capacitor + equivalent series resistance (ESR)



dielectric material

boost factor also depends on loss factor:



- note: state of the art uncertainty in tan δ measurement: ~10-6 (see later slides)
- 10⁻⁶ can make a significant difference in boost factor

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N = 10 (transp.)
N=20 (transp.)
N=30 (transp.)
N = 40 (transp.)
N = 50 (transp.)
N = 60 (transp.)
N = 70 (transp.)
N = 80 (transp.)
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dielectric material

$$\mathbf{E}_{a}(t) = -\frac{\mathbf{E}_{0}}{\epsilon} e^{-im_{a}t}$$

 $\mathbf{E}_0 \equiv g_{a\gamma} \mathbf{B}_{e} a_0$

Chose dielectric material:

- High dielectric constant ε (for large boost & conversion)
 - Low loss → low tan δ (reduce photon losses)
 - Stable
 - Cheap
- → Sapphire (Al₂O₃) @ 300K, 10 GHz:

$$\varepsilon \sim 10$$
; $\tan \delta \sim few \cdot 10^{-5}$

→ Lanthanide Aluminate (LaAlO₃) @ 77K

$$\varepsilon \sim 24$$
; tan $\delta \sim 3 \cdot 10^{-5}$

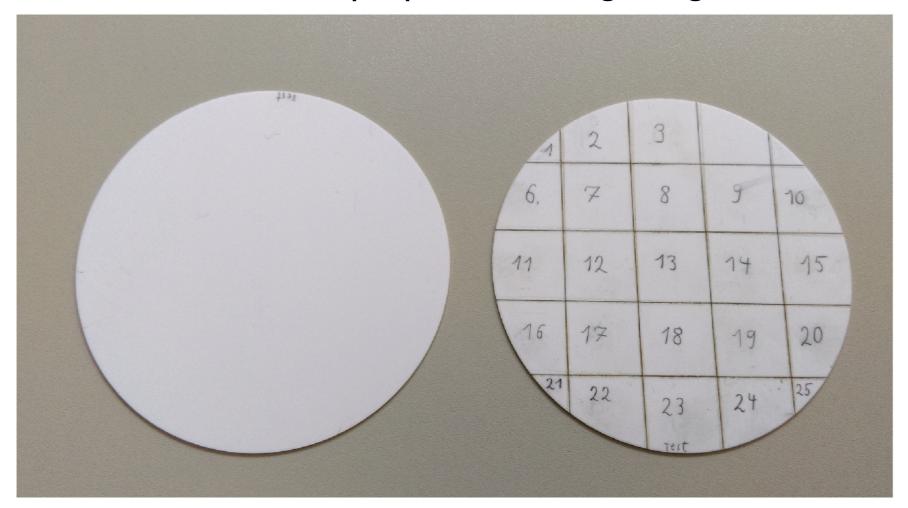
→ Titanium dioxide – Rutil (TiO₂)

$$\varepsilon \sim 100$$
; tan $\delta \sim ???$?

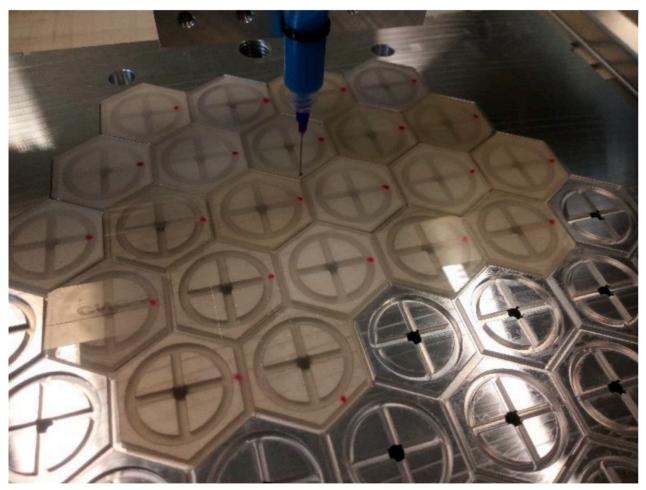


test of dielectric disk tiling

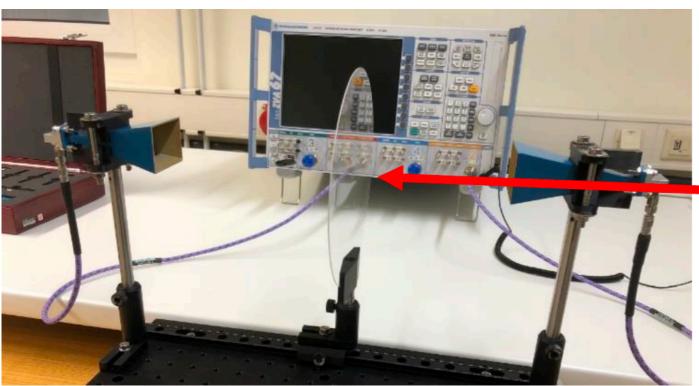
- I m² dielectric crystals cannot be grown (today)
- Solution: tiling
 - how to cut dielectric crystals? (bridle)
 - how to glue ?
 - how to test dielectric properties after glueing?

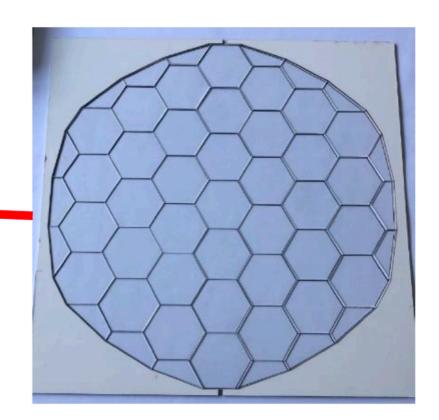


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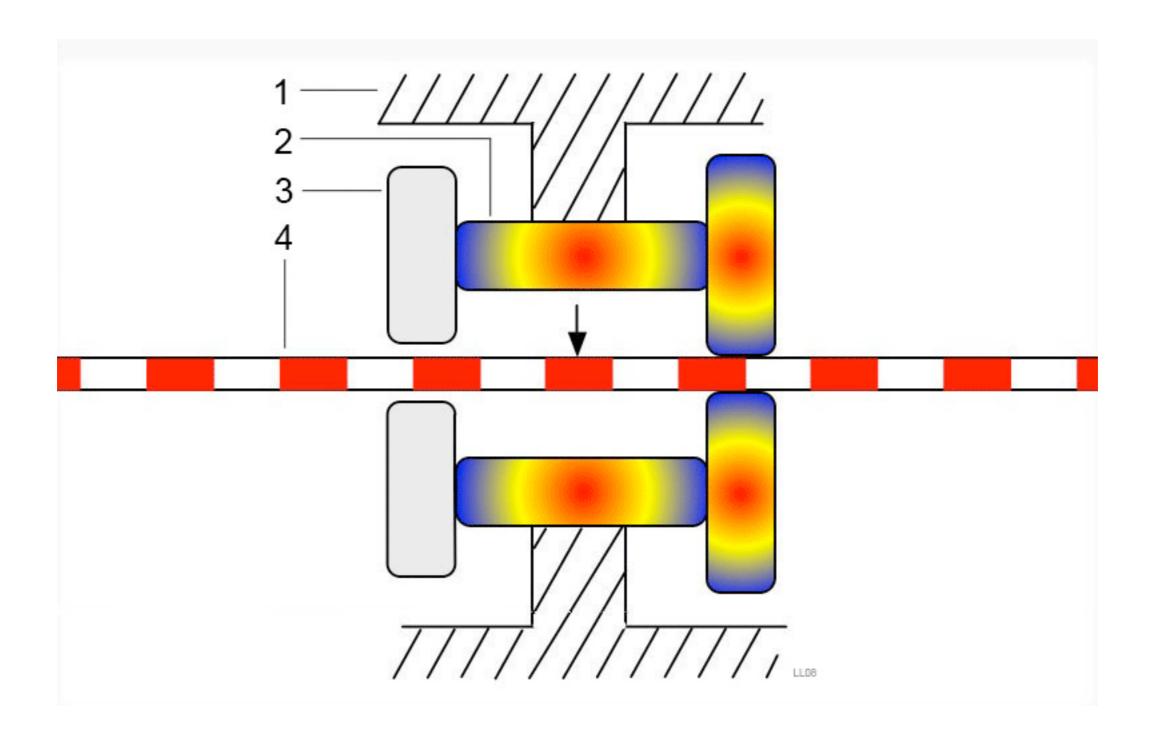






disc positioning system

- Discs have to be positioned with relative distances between 2 and 20 mm with few µm precision
- currently investigating piezo motor technique:

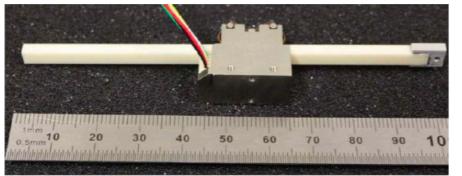


disc positioning system

Currently two different approaches are being followed:



Fixed motor, moving rod







- Requires long rods and guiding fixtures
- No moving cables or sliding contacts

- No guiding fixtures required
- Sliding contacts to avoid moving cables

Both designs have to work in vacuum at 4 K and in a ~10 T magnetic field (still to be proven)!

 commerically available piezo motors have been tested, failed at cold temperature





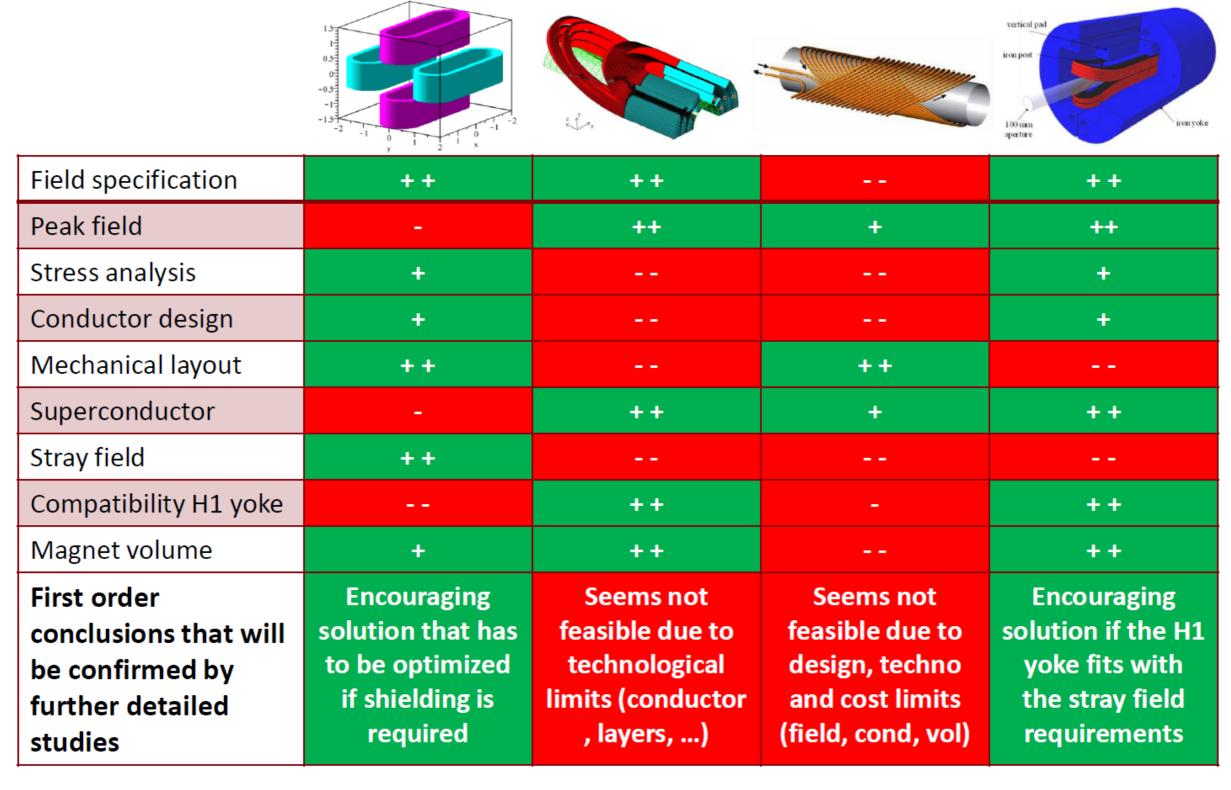
European Innovation Partnerships (EIPs) are a new approach to EU research and innovation.

EIPs are challenge-driven, focusing on societal benefits and a rapid modernisation of the associated sectors and markets.

first dipole of that size has never been produced:

- design studies by innovation partners
- from prototype to full scale magnet

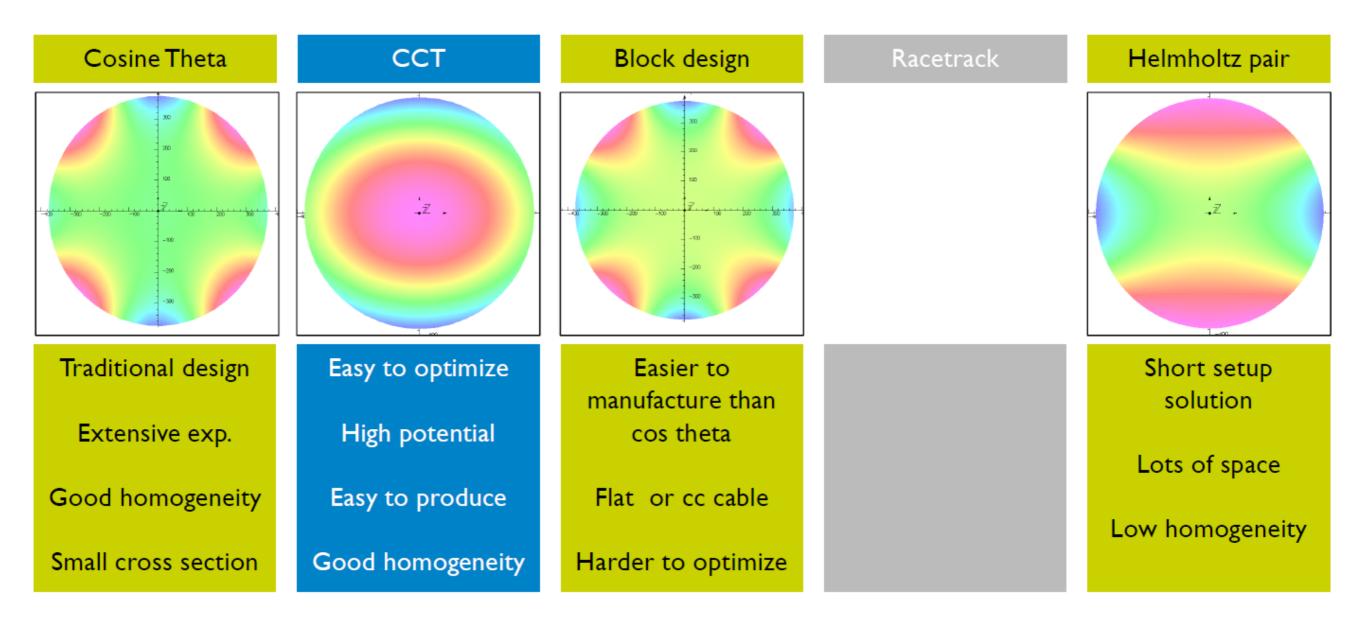




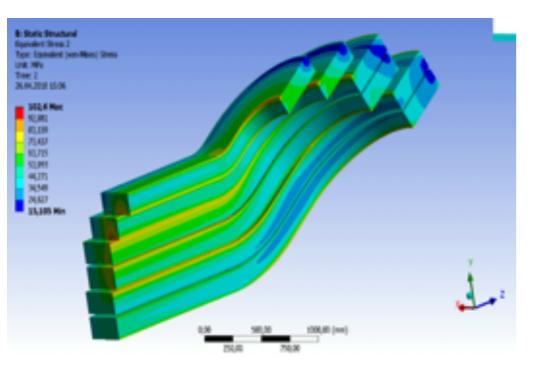
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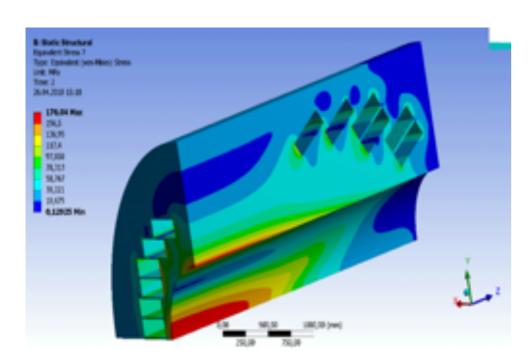
Preparing for the next step





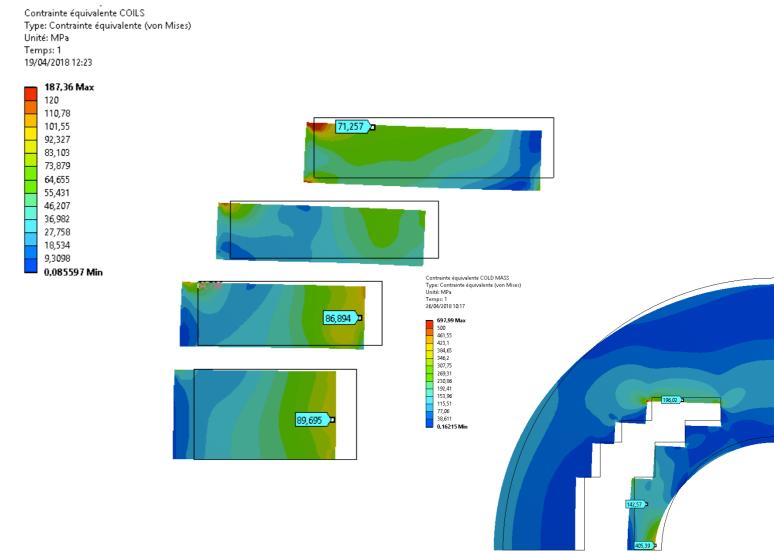






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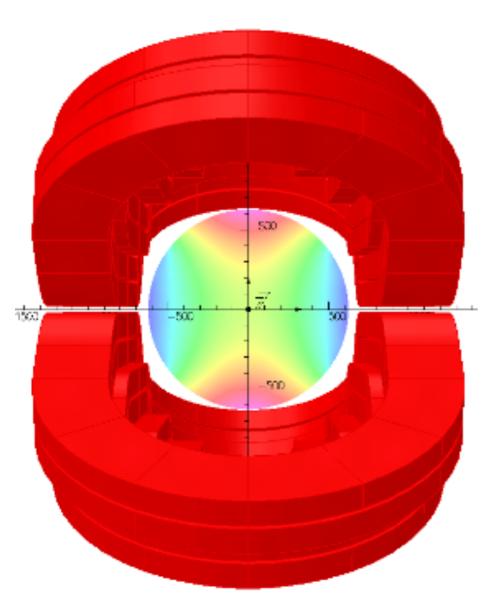


- <200 Mpa Ppeak stress in conductor
- <300 Mpa peak stress in yoke
- → Accepatble!

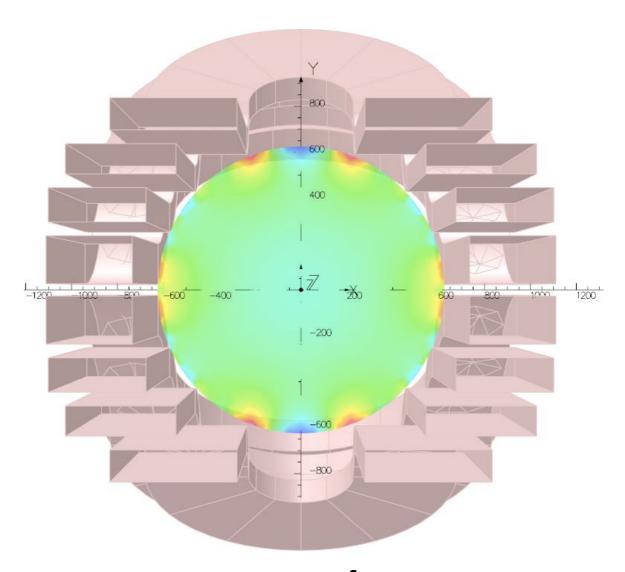


Homogeneity





+ 2.4 % / -3.0 %



+ 4.6 % / -1.7 %



Weight: < 200.000 Kg

Length: 6900 mm

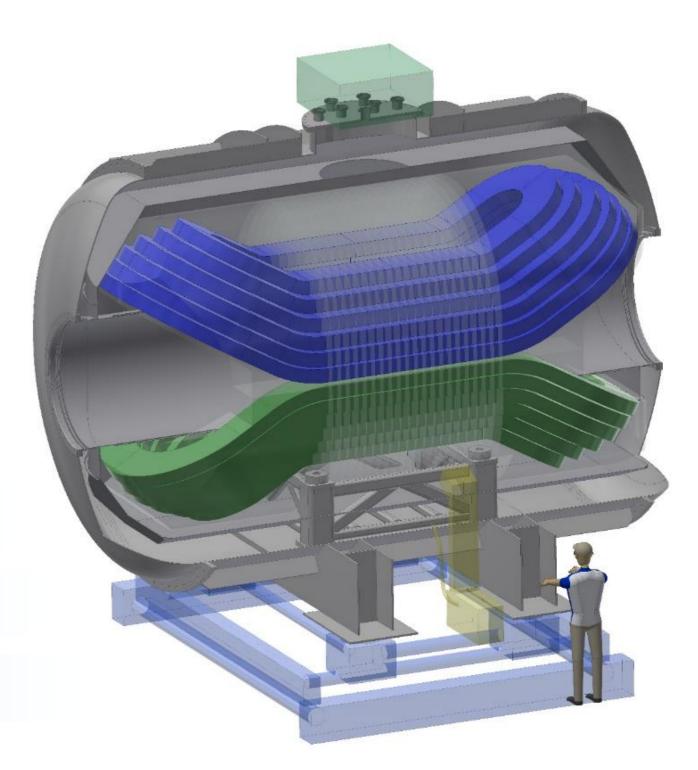
Diameter: 4400 mm

Warm bore: 1350* mm

Superconducting cable: 35.000 m

Superconducting wire: > 700.000 m NbTi

Operating temperature: ~2 K



So far no show stoppers, the show goes on!

MADMAX white paper

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A new experimental approach to probe QCD Axion Dark Matter in the mass range above $40 \,\mu\text{eV}$

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madmax website:

https://www.mpp.mpg.de/forschung/astroteilchenphysik-und-kosmologie/madmax-suche-nach-axionen-als-dunkler-materie/

MADMAX collaboration

• MADMAX collaboration formed on 18. October 2017

- MPI Munich
- MPIfR Bonn
- RWTH Aachen
- Universität Hamburg
- Universität Tübingen
- Universidad de Zaragoza
- CEA-IRFU Saclay
- DESY Hamburg

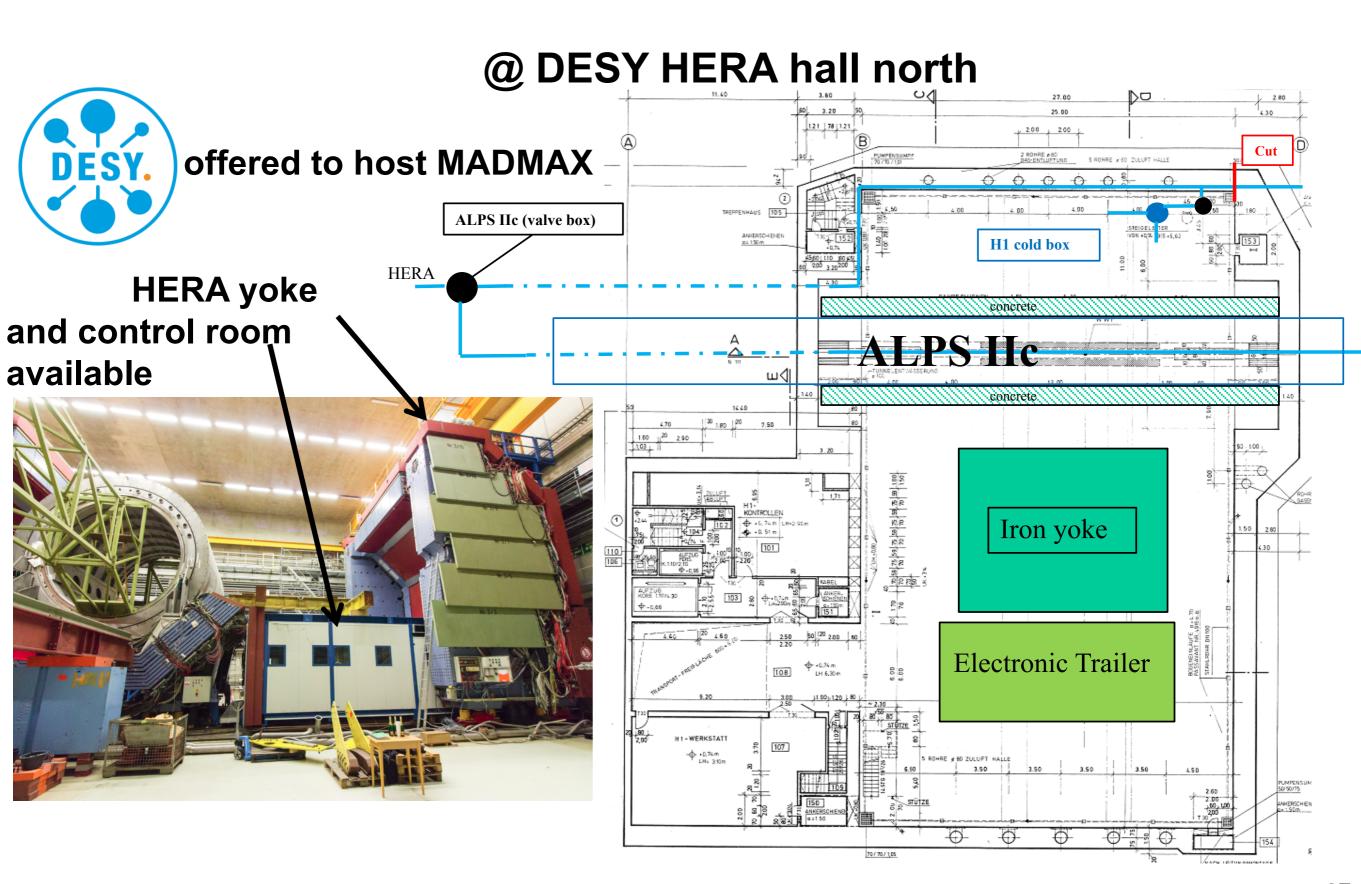


MADMAX site

- DESY Hamburg (underground hall HERA-north)
 - excellent infrastructure (cryogenic supply)
 - location of ALPS-II
 - low EM noise environment
 - support from DESY



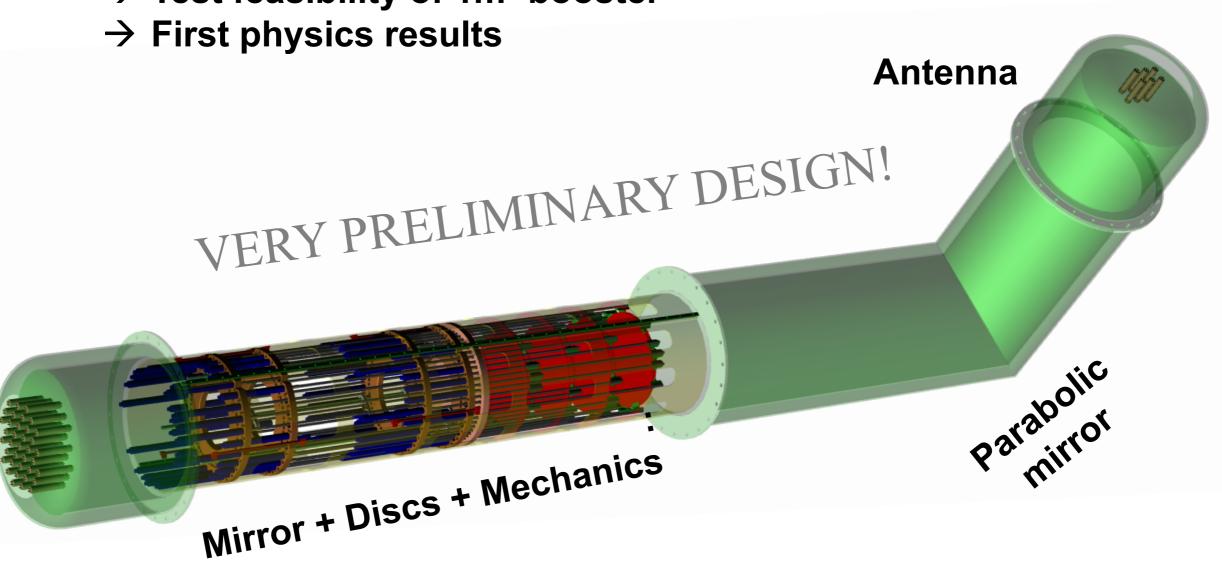
HERA north hall



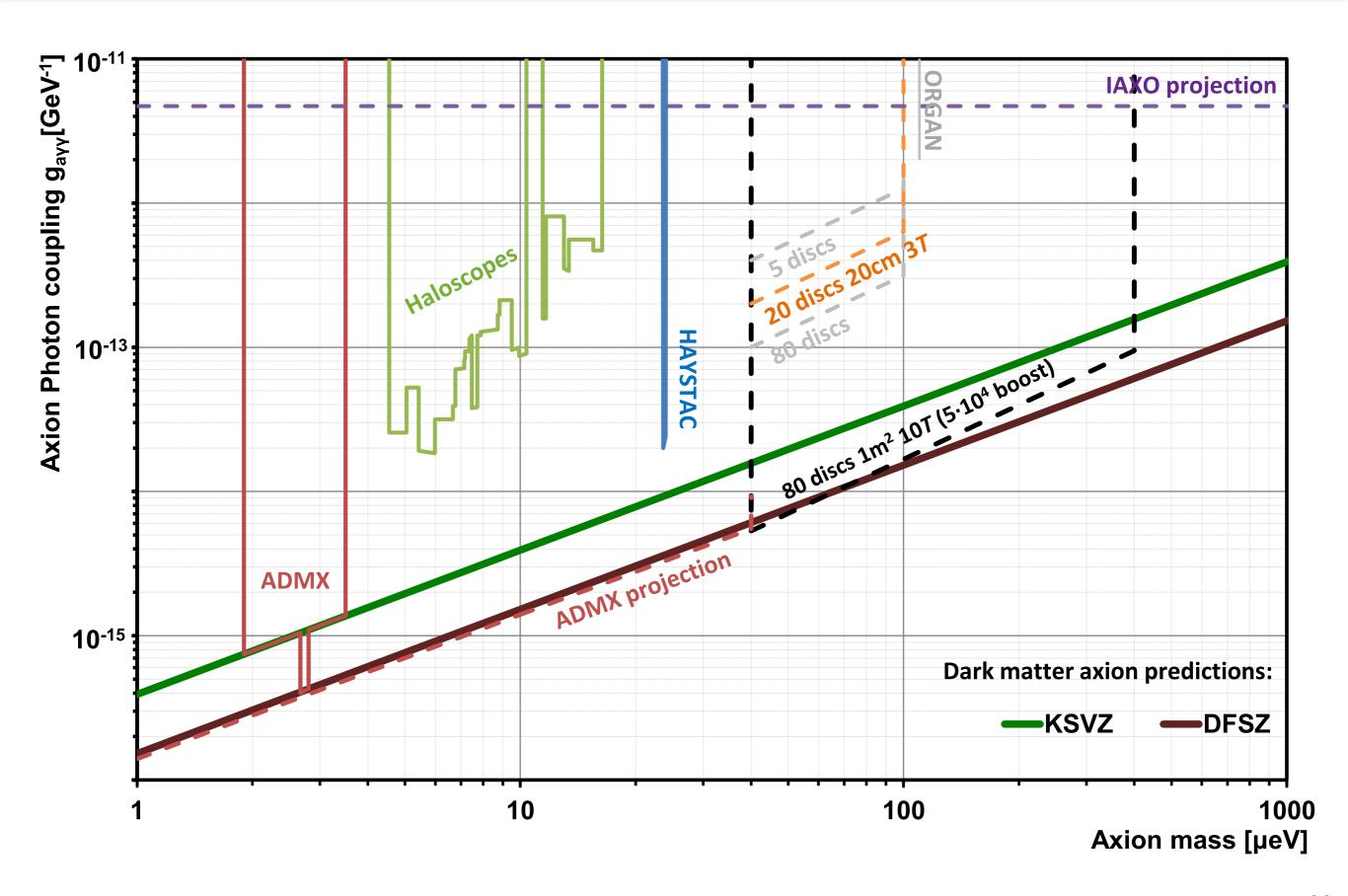
prototype

Build prototype with 20 discs, 30cm diameter Use inside prototype (few T) magnet:

→ Test feasibility of 1m² booster



sensitivity calculation



time line

2018-2020 Finish Proof of principle phase, full understanding of 3D effects

2018-2022

Prototype magnet & booster available

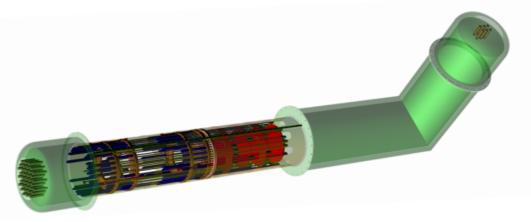
→ Integration, first physics runs, search for ALPs and hidden photons

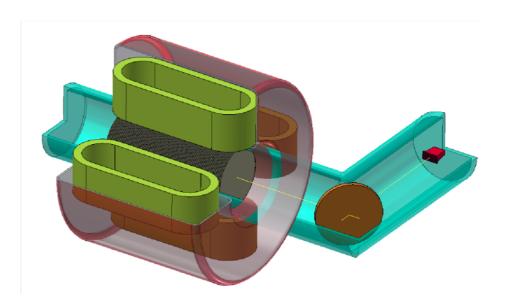
Afterwards:

Build final magnet
Build final booster

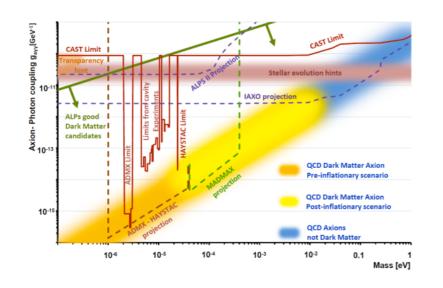
→ Start scanning 10-30GHz
(40-120 µeV) range

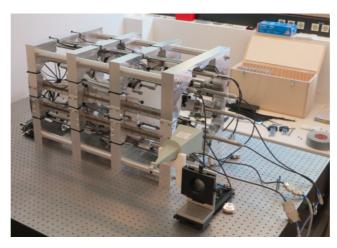


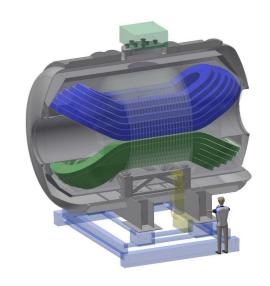




summary

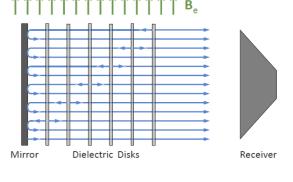


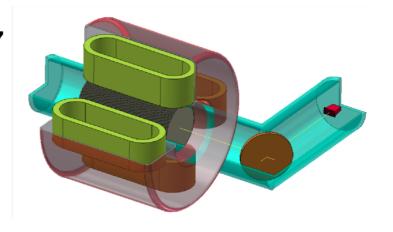




CONCLUSION

- > Axions could solve strong CP and DM problems
- > ALPs could solve astrophysical inconsistencies
- Mass range 40-400 μeV very well motivated, previously no experimental concepts!
- Dielectric haloscope could cover
 ~40-400 μeV axion/ALP mass rang
- MADMAX collaboration formed in Oct. 2017
- Magnet seems feasible
- So far no show stoppers found
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