Search for Dark Matter Axions with the MAD MAX experiment

Alexander Schmidt (RWTH Aachen) for the MAD MAX collaboration

- Acknowledgements:
 - many plots taken from Javier Redondo, Stefan Knirck, Jan Schütte-Engel, Frank Steffen, Olaf Reimann, Alex Millar, Georg Raffelt, Bela Majorovits, ...

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:

• new equations:

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \rho - g_{a\gamma} \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla a ,$$
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} - \dot{\mathbf{E}} = \mathbf{J} + g_{a\gamma} \left(\mathbf{B} \dot{a} - \mathbf{E} \times \nabla a \right)$$
$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0 ,$$
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} + \dot{\mathbf{B}} = 0 ,$$
$$\ddot{a} - \nabla^2 a + m_a^2 a = g_{a\gamma} \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B} .$$

axion electrodynamics

zero-velocity limit (axion at rest):

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

• with frequency

$$\omega = m_a$$

dark matter density:

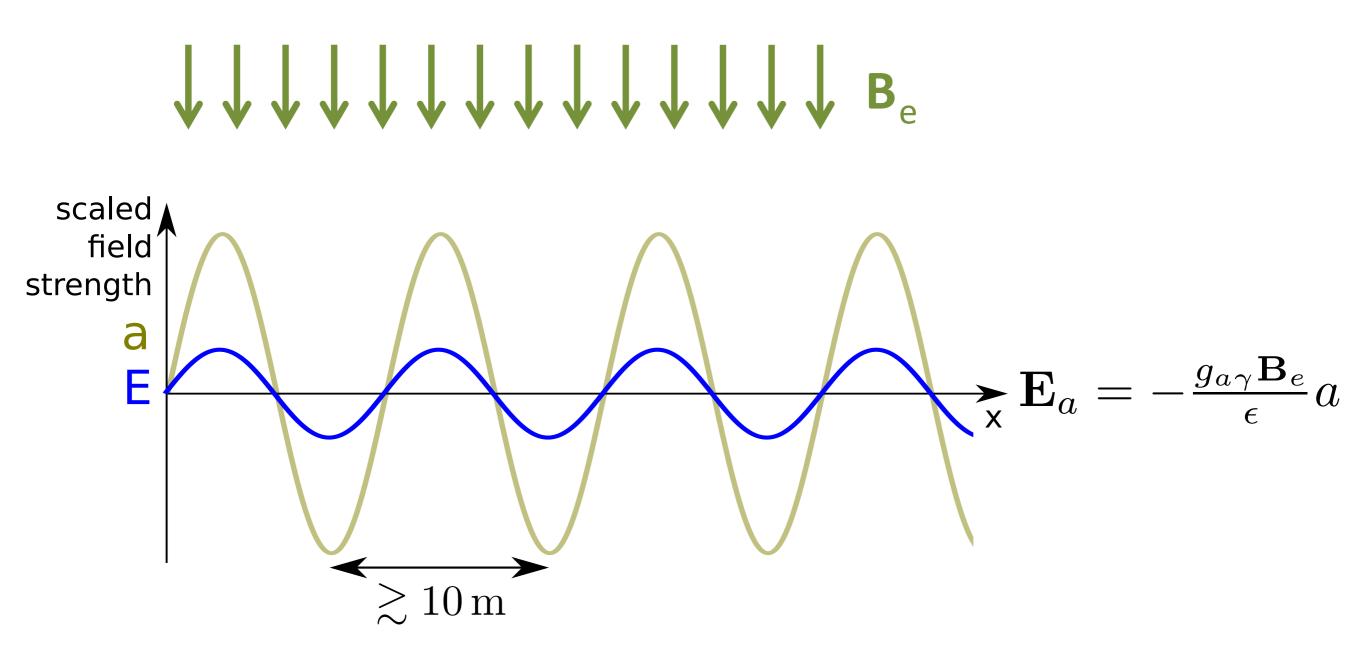
$$\rho_a = \frac{m_a^2 |a_0|^2}{2} = f_{\rm DM} \, \frac{300 \,\,\mathrm{MeV}}{\mathrm{cm}^3}$$

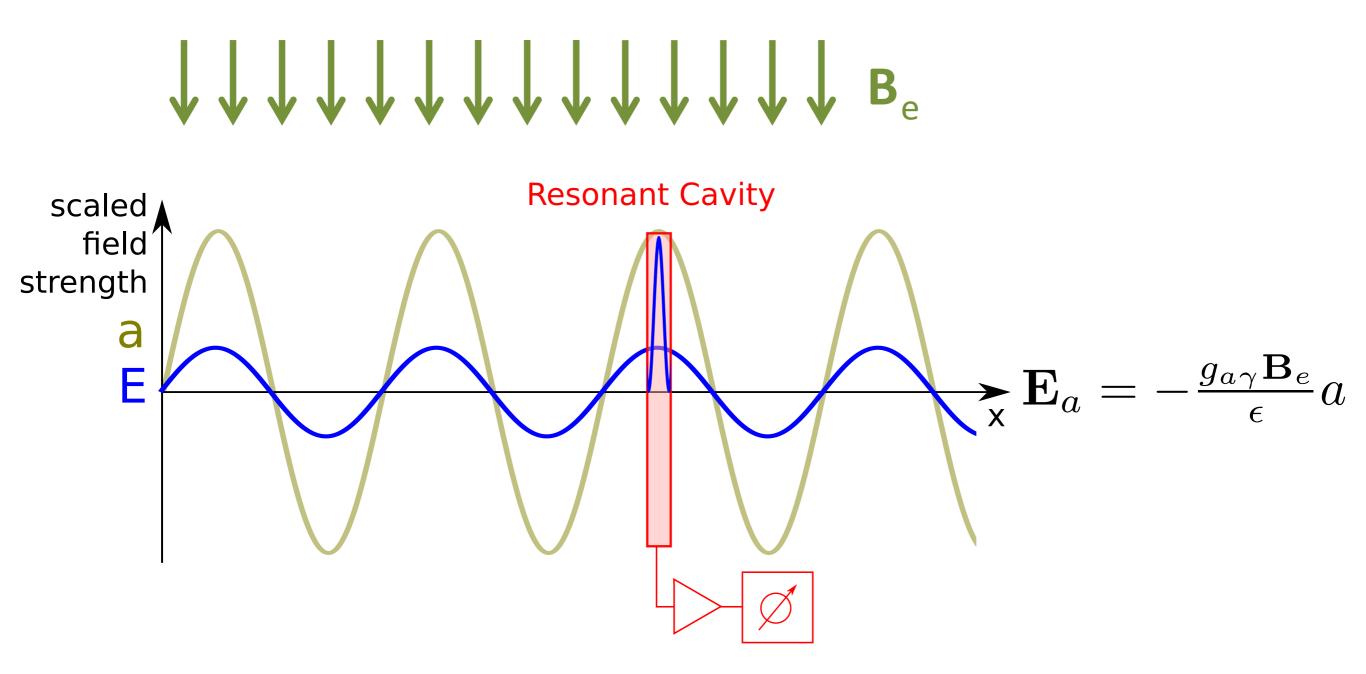
• the homogeneous axion-induced E field can be derived as $\mathbf{E}_a(t) = -\frac{g_{a\gamma}\mathbf{B}_{e}}{\epsilon} a(t)$

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

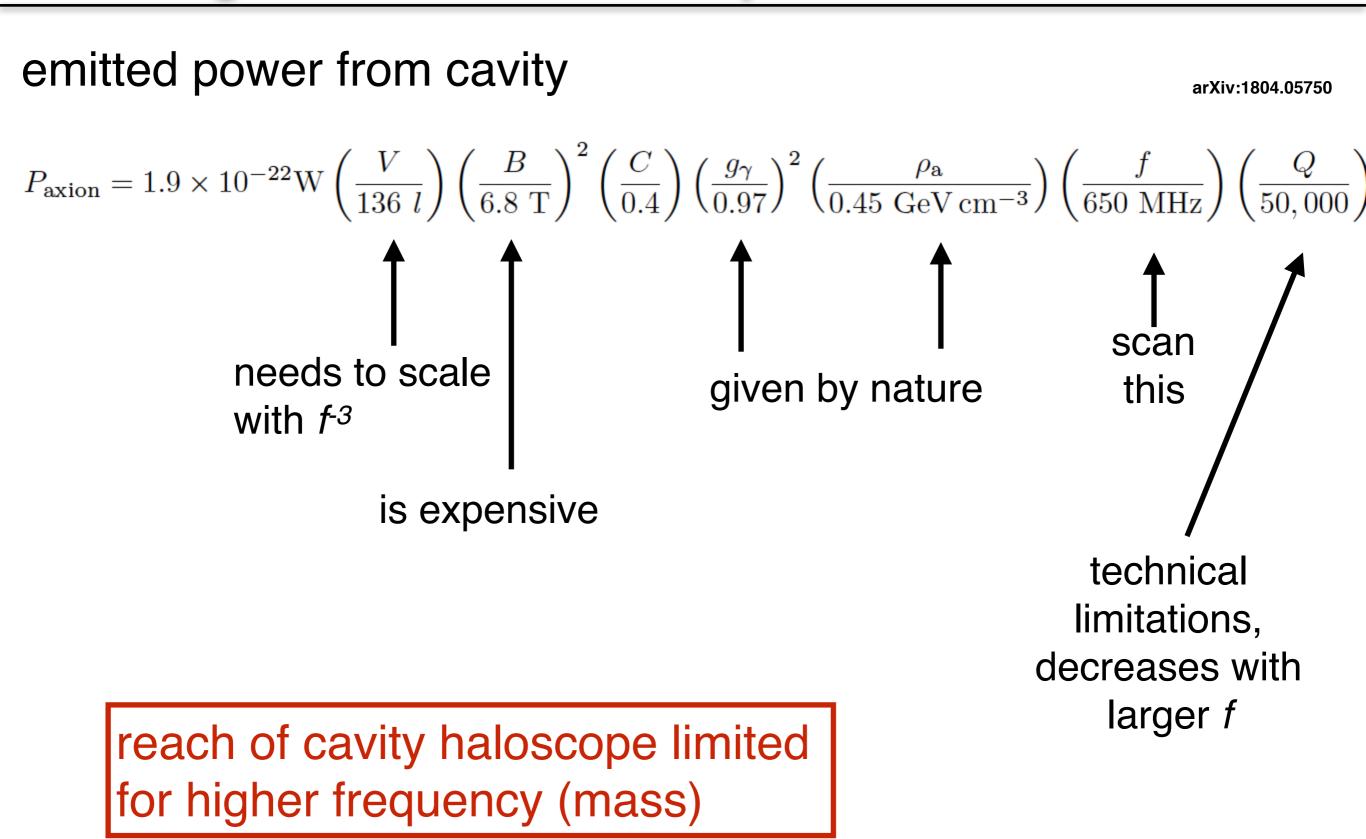
$$E_0 = 1.3 \times 10^{-12} \text{ V/m} \frac{B_e}{10 \text{ T}} |C_{a\gamma}| f_{\text{DM}}^{1/2}$$

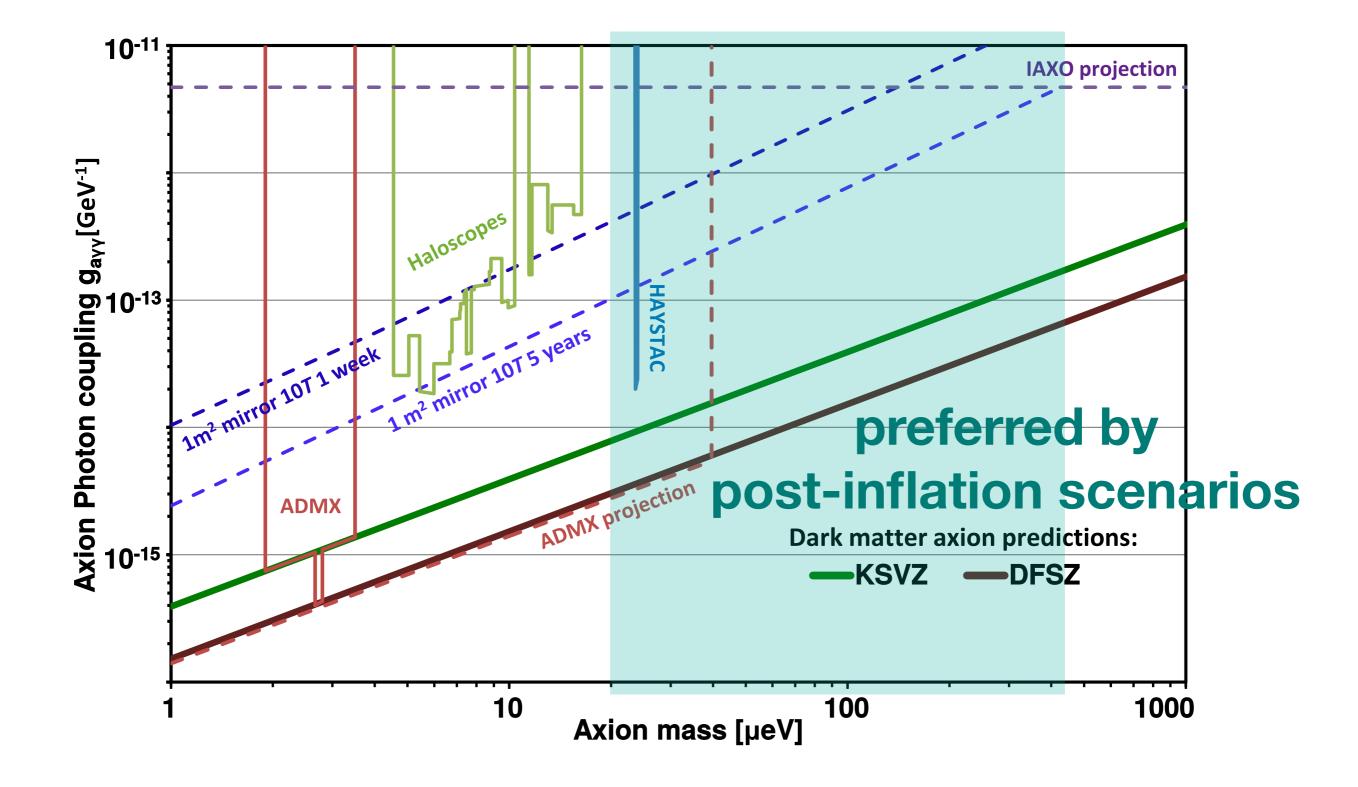
axion electrodynamics

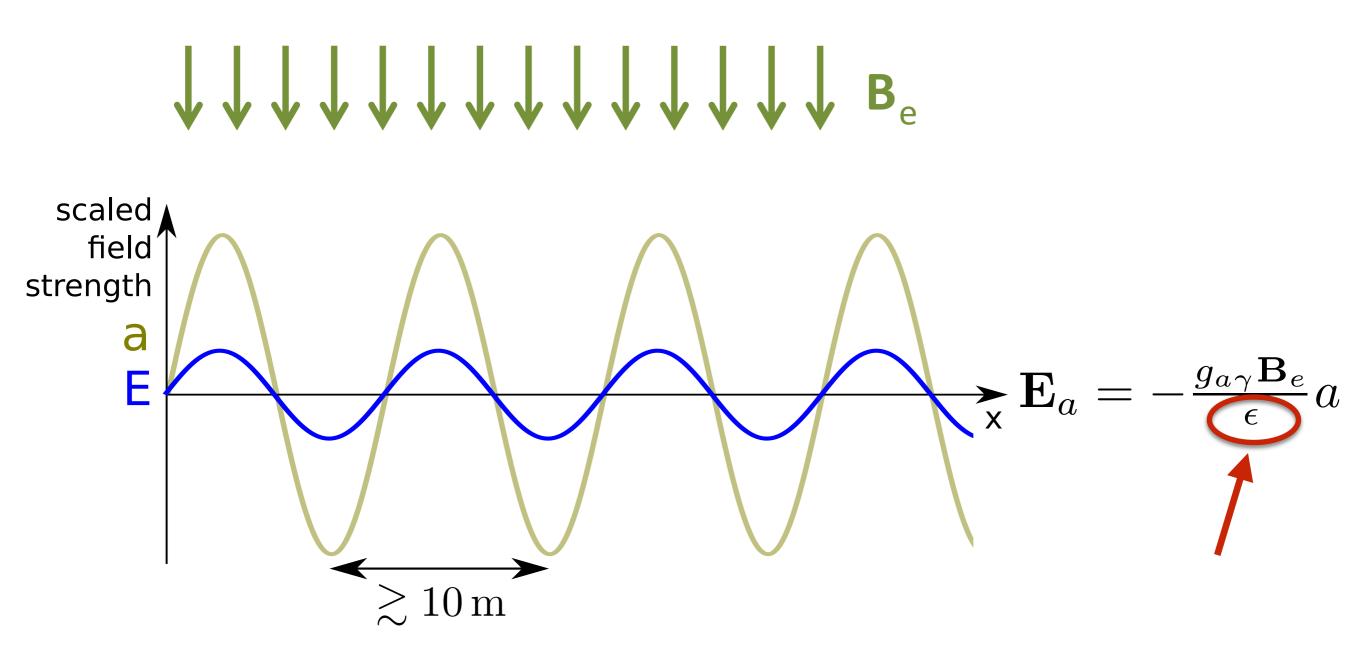




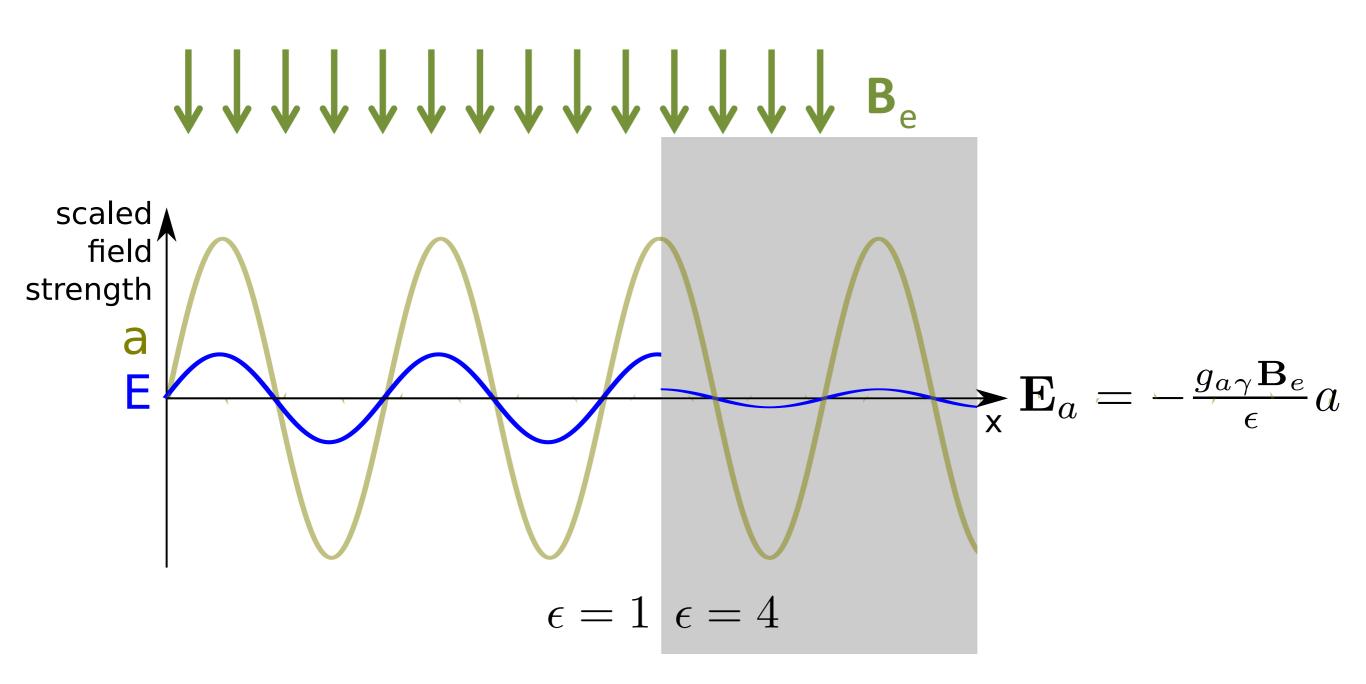
challenges for ADMX-like experiments



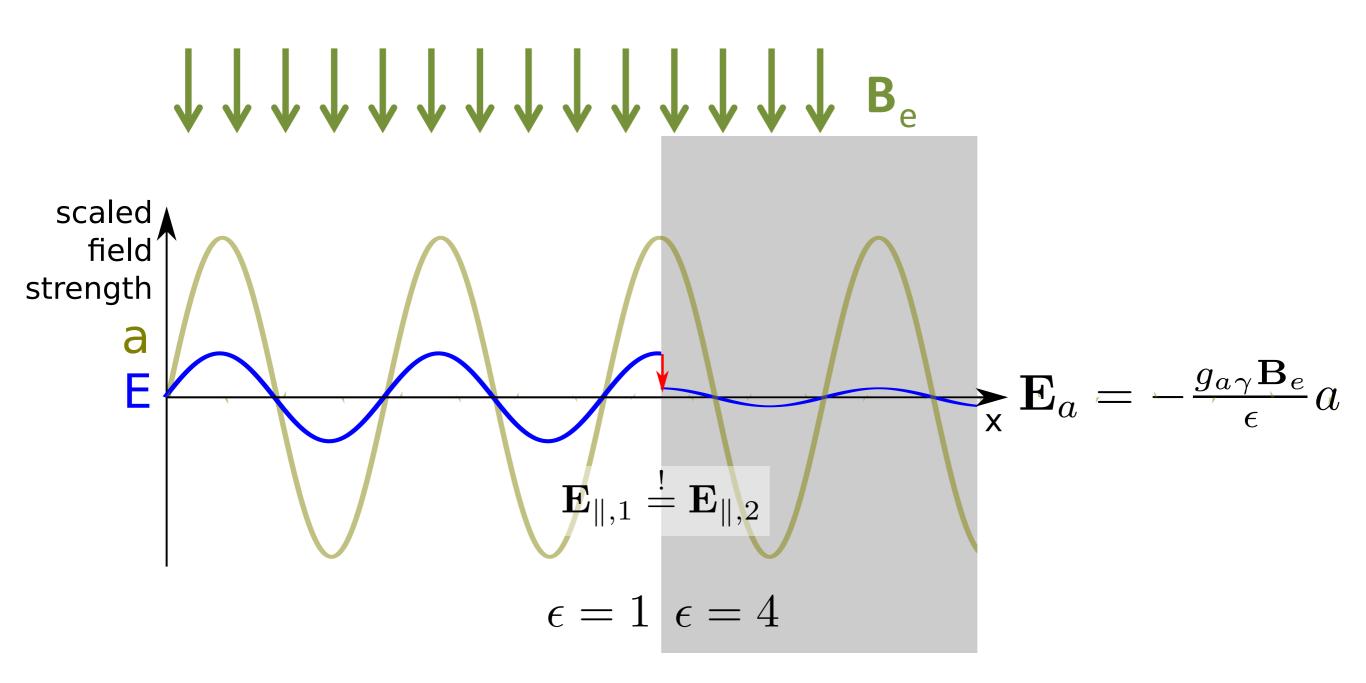


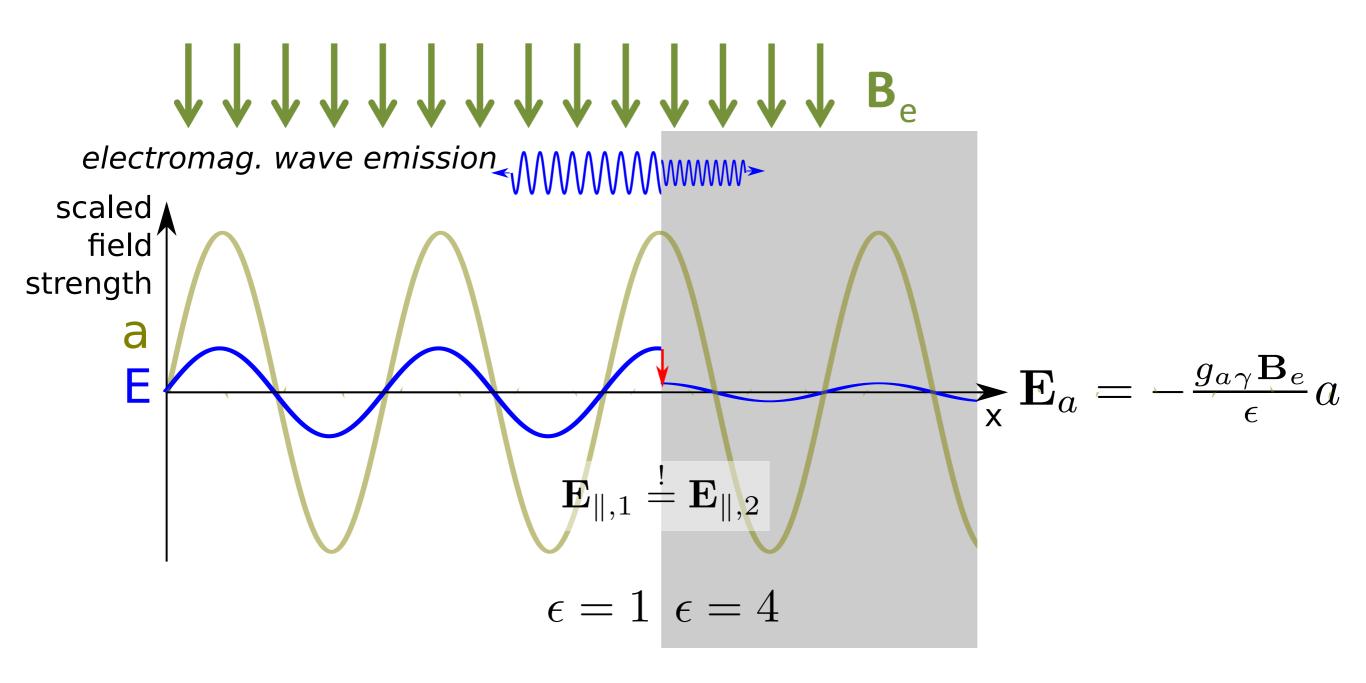


dielectric haloscope



dielectric haloscope





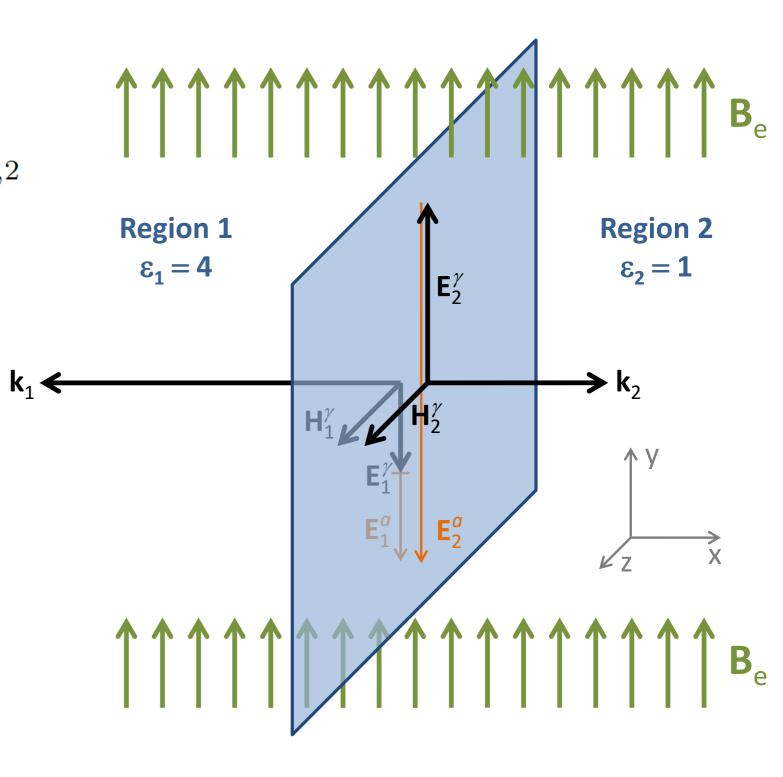
• continuity:

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

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



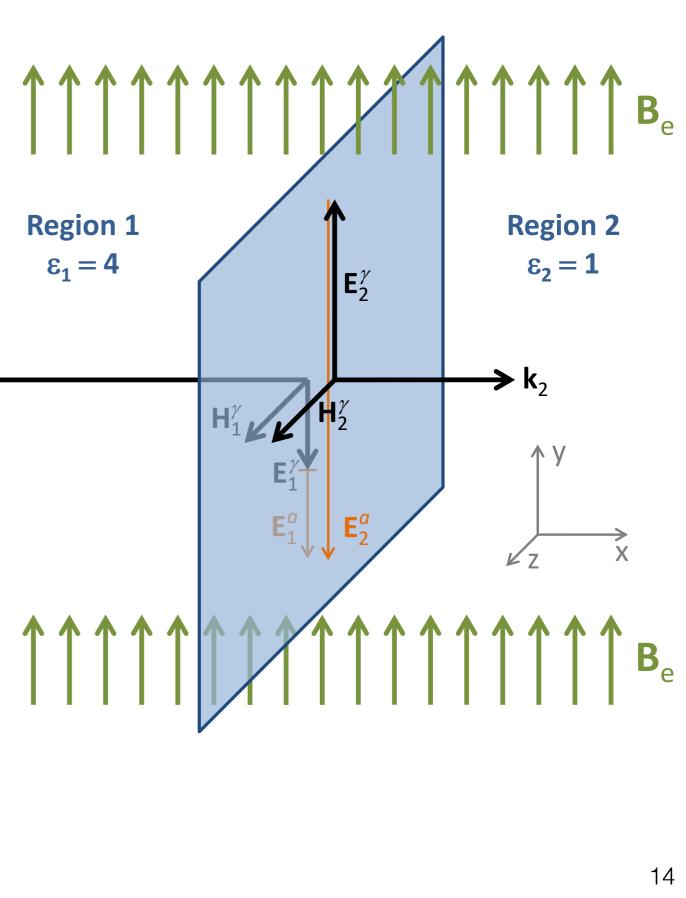
radiation at an interface

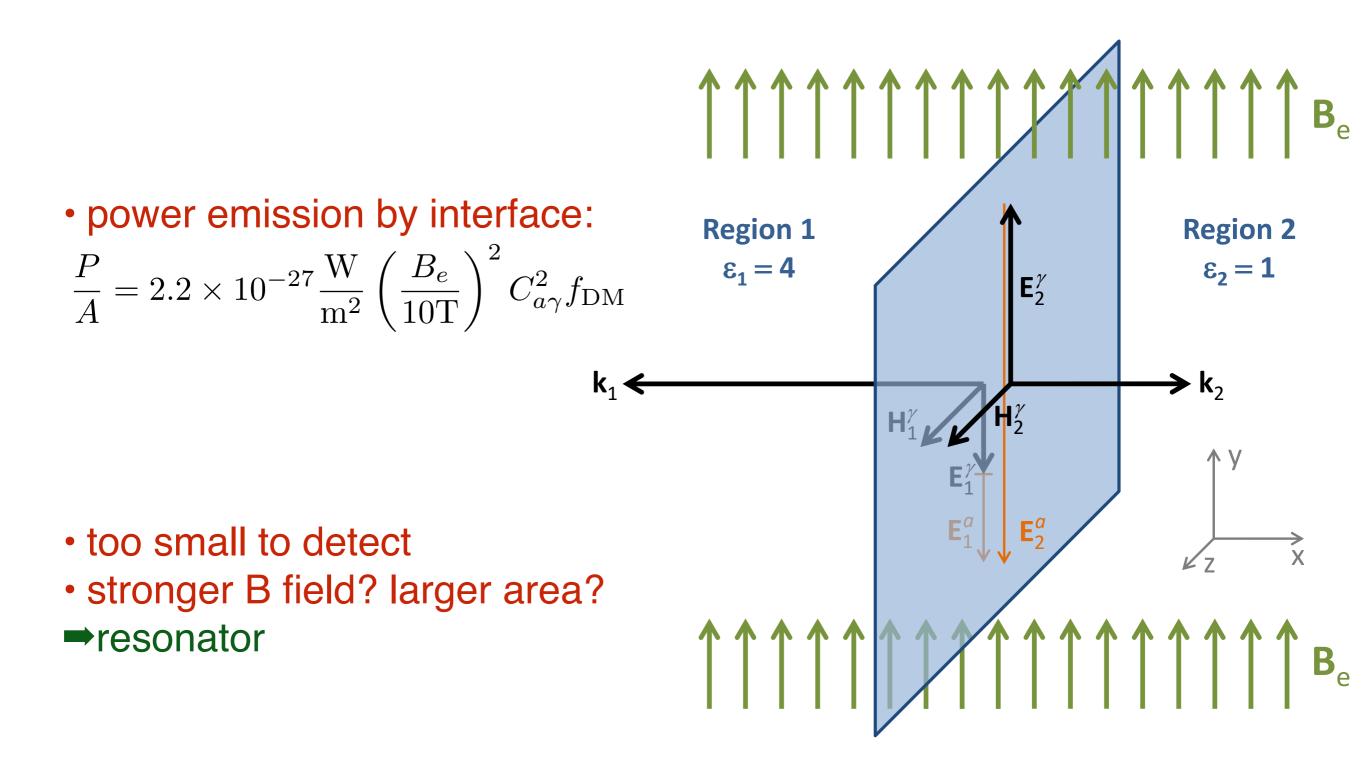
we get for the propagating fields: $E_1^{\gamma} = + (E_2^a - E_1^a) \frac{\epsilon_2 n_1}{\epsilon_1 n_2 + \epsilon_2 n_1}$ $E_2^{\gamma} = -(E_2^a - E_1^a) \frac{\epsilon_1 n_2}{\epsilon_1 n_2 + \epsilon_2 n_1}$ $E_{1,2}^{a} e^{-i\omega t}, \quad E_{1,2}^{\gamma} e^{-i(\omega t - k_{1,2}x)}$ $\mathbf{k}_1 \leftarrow$ assume: $\mu_1 = \mu_2 = 1$ so that $\epsilon_1 = n_1^2$

with the E_a field discontinuity: $E_2^a - E_1^a = -(\epsilon_2^{-1} - \epsilon_1^{-1})E_0$

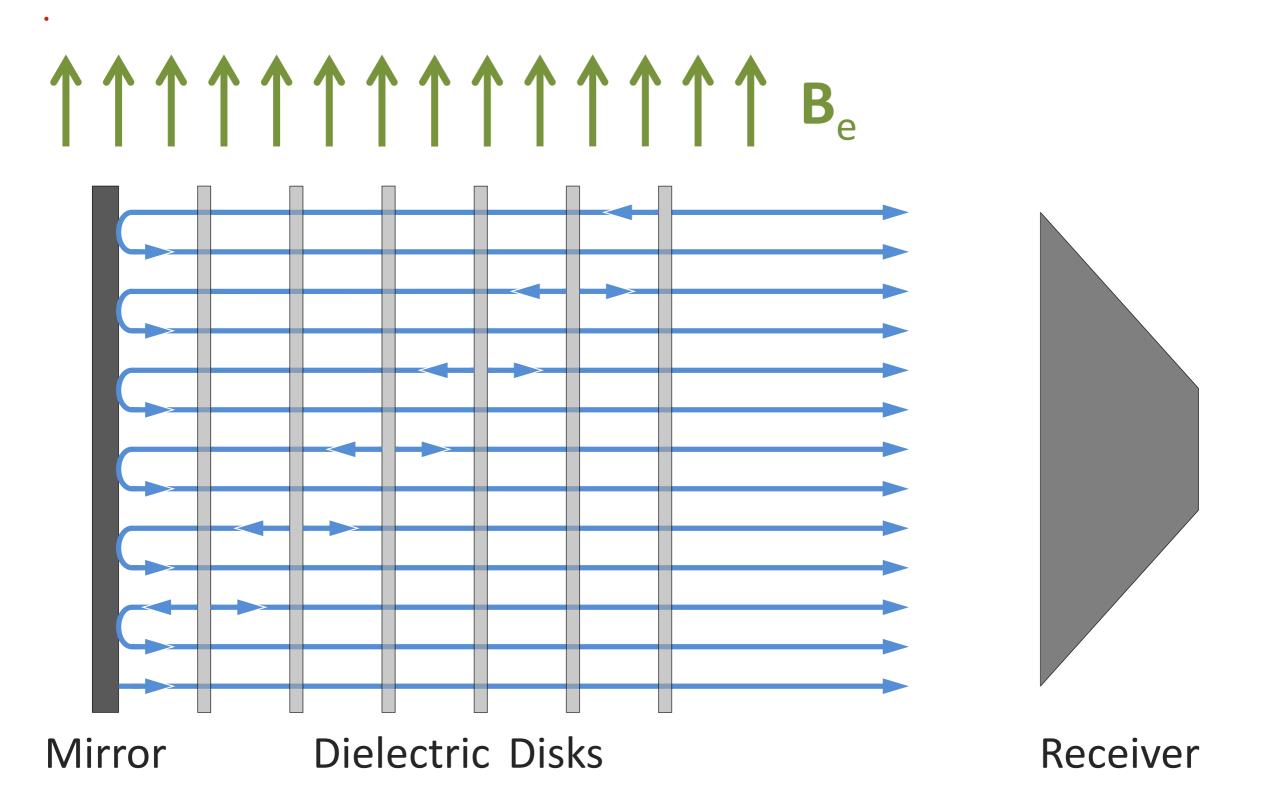
result:

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

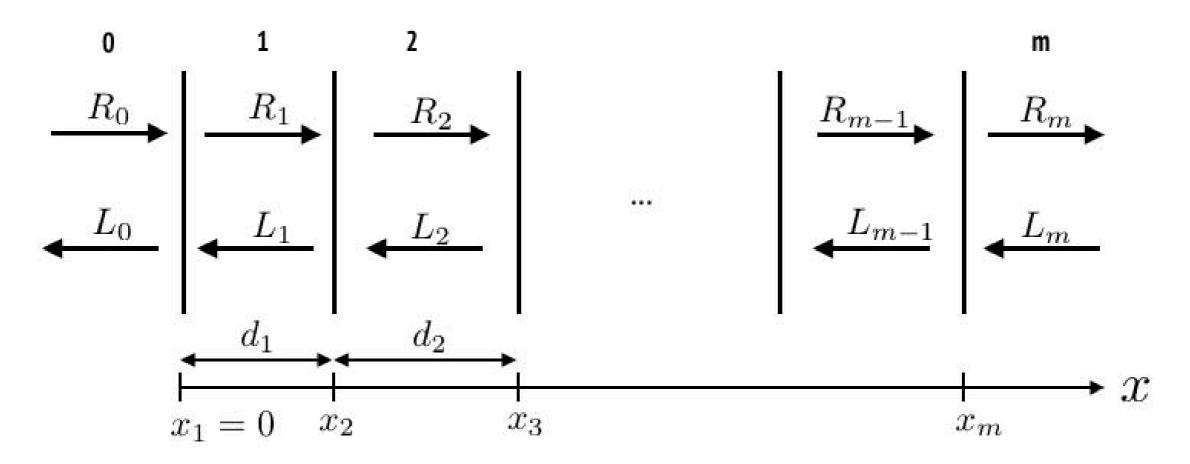




resonator: multiple layers

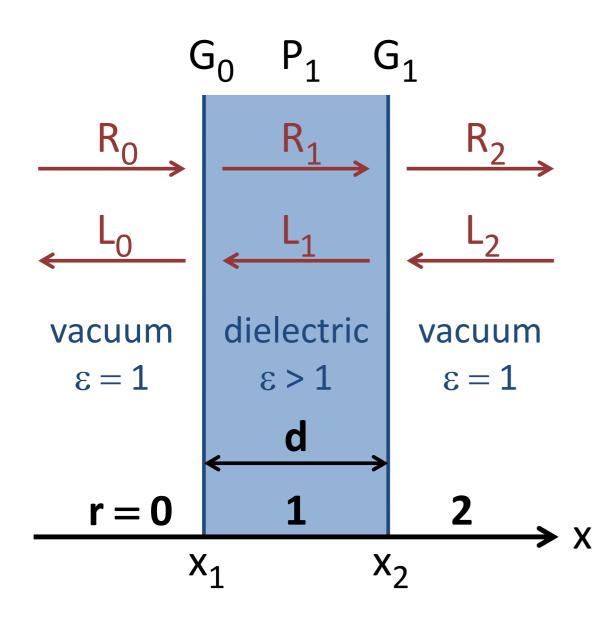


coherent superposition of amplitudes produced at all interfaces



- 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

simple case: one single disc with two interfaces



transmissivity:

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

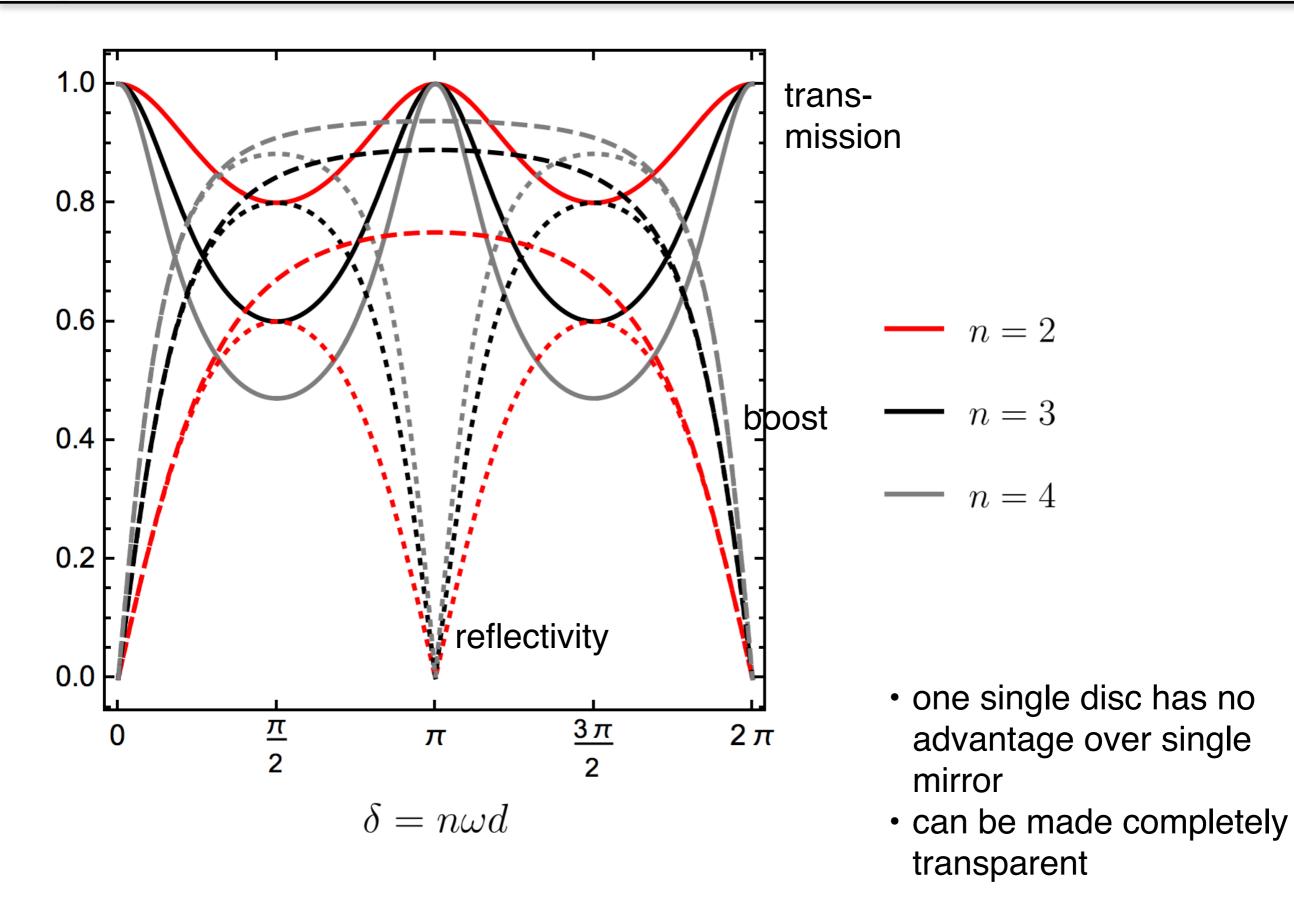
reflectivity:

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

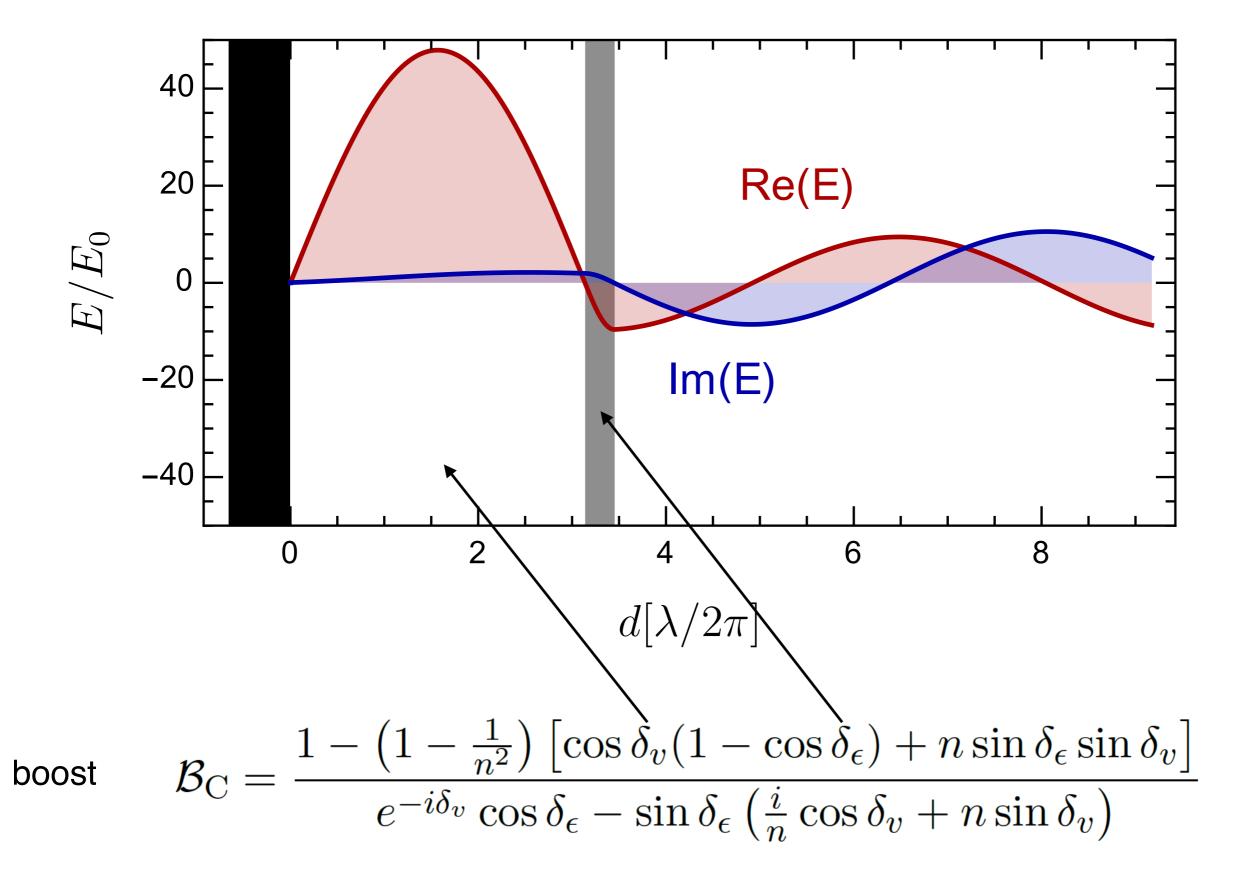
boost (amplitude in units of E₀): $\mathcal{B}_{D} = \frac{(n^{2} - 1)\sin(\delta/2)}{n^{2}\sin(\delta/2) + in\cos(\delta/2)}$

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

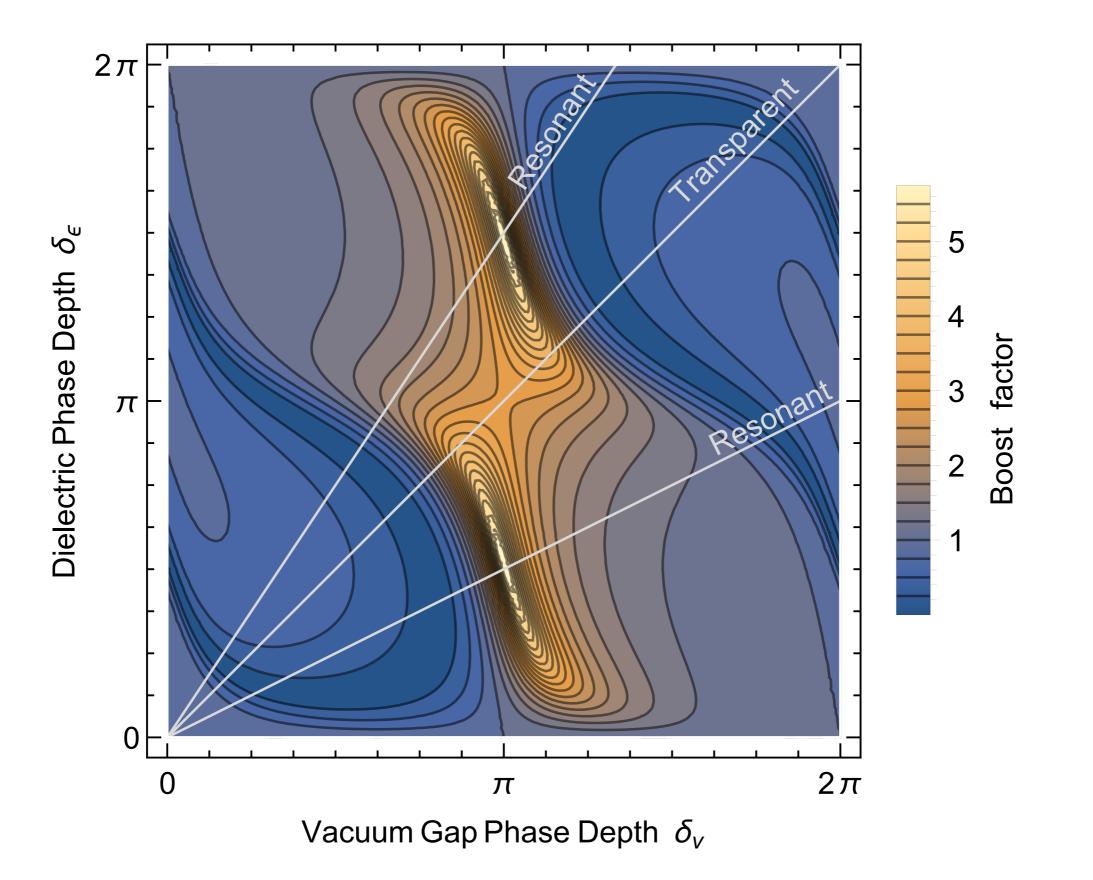
special case: 1 disc



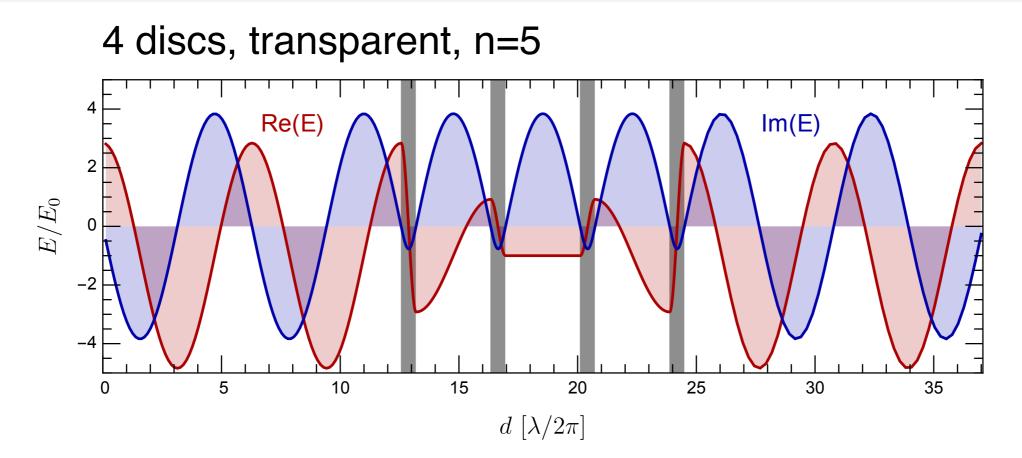
special case: mirror with 1 disc

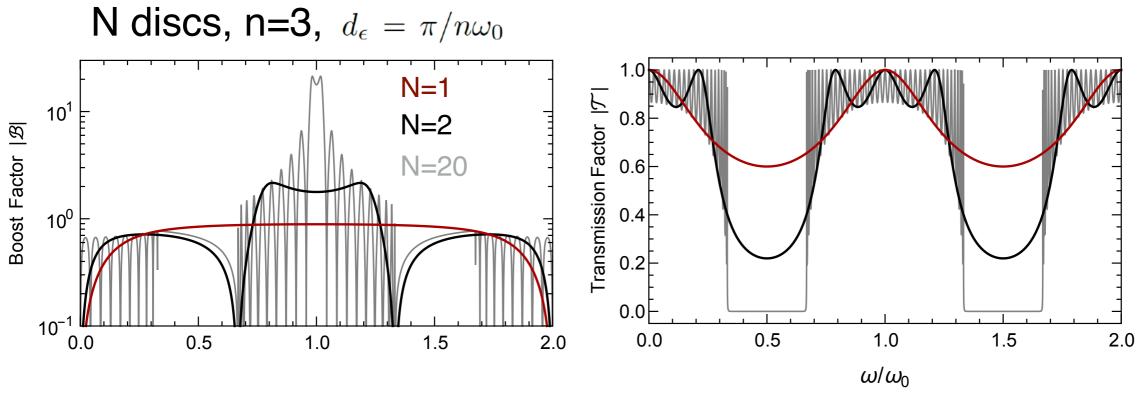


special case: mirror with 1 disc



some other setups





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

broadband response

-500

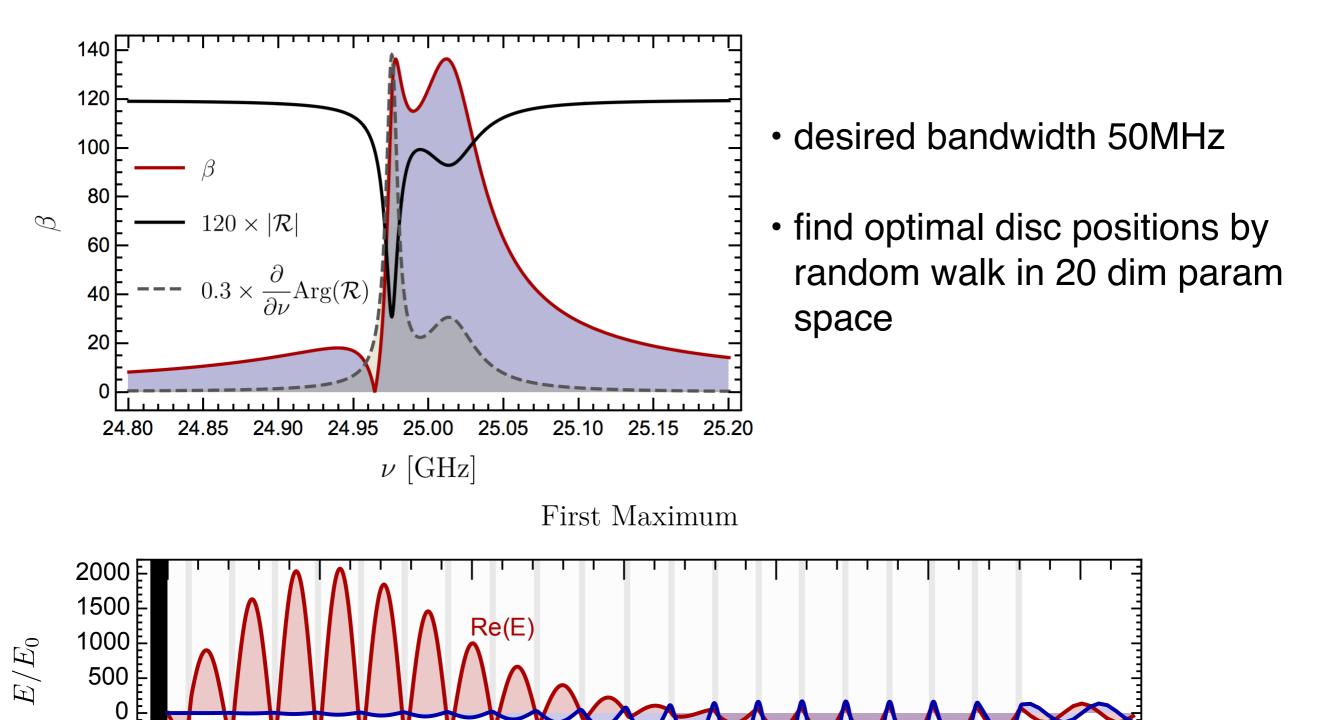
0.0

-1000

20 discs with mirror, n=5

2.5

5.0



Im(E)

7.5

12.5

10.0

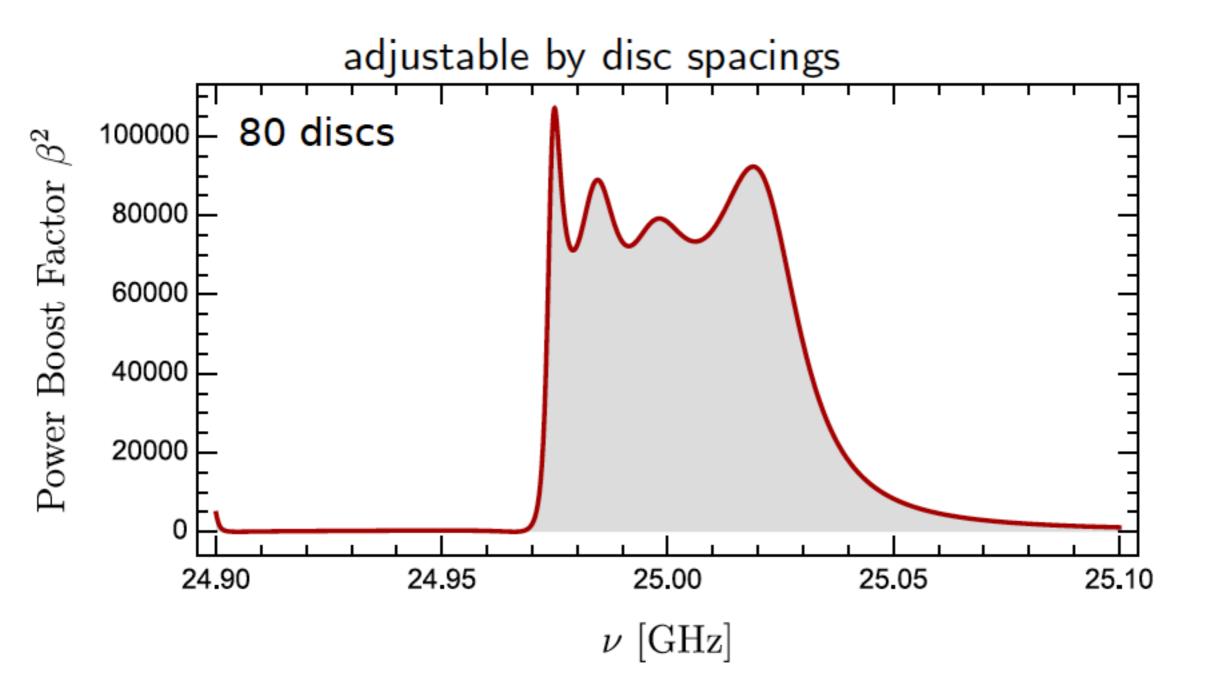
15.0

• miracle:

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

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

boosted power emission by 80 layers:



strategy

operating principles

- equidistant layers:
 - large boost, good S/N
 - narrow frequency range
 - frequent disk -repositioning required

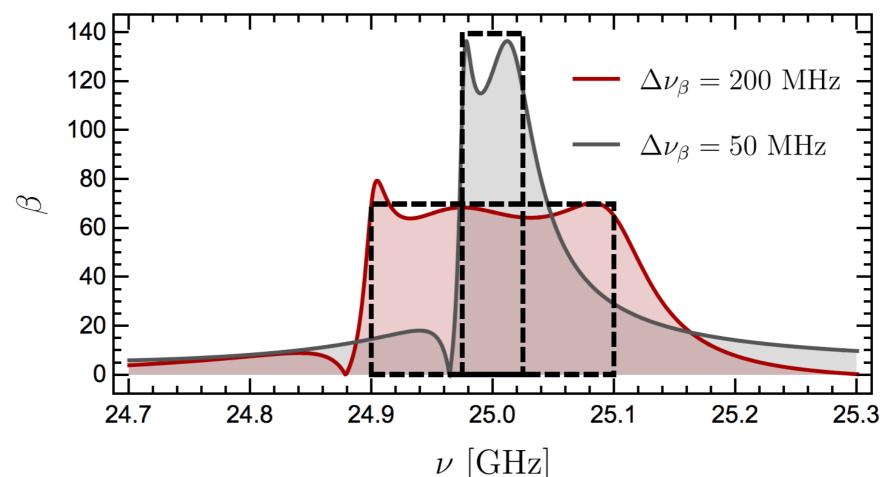
slight misalignment of layers:

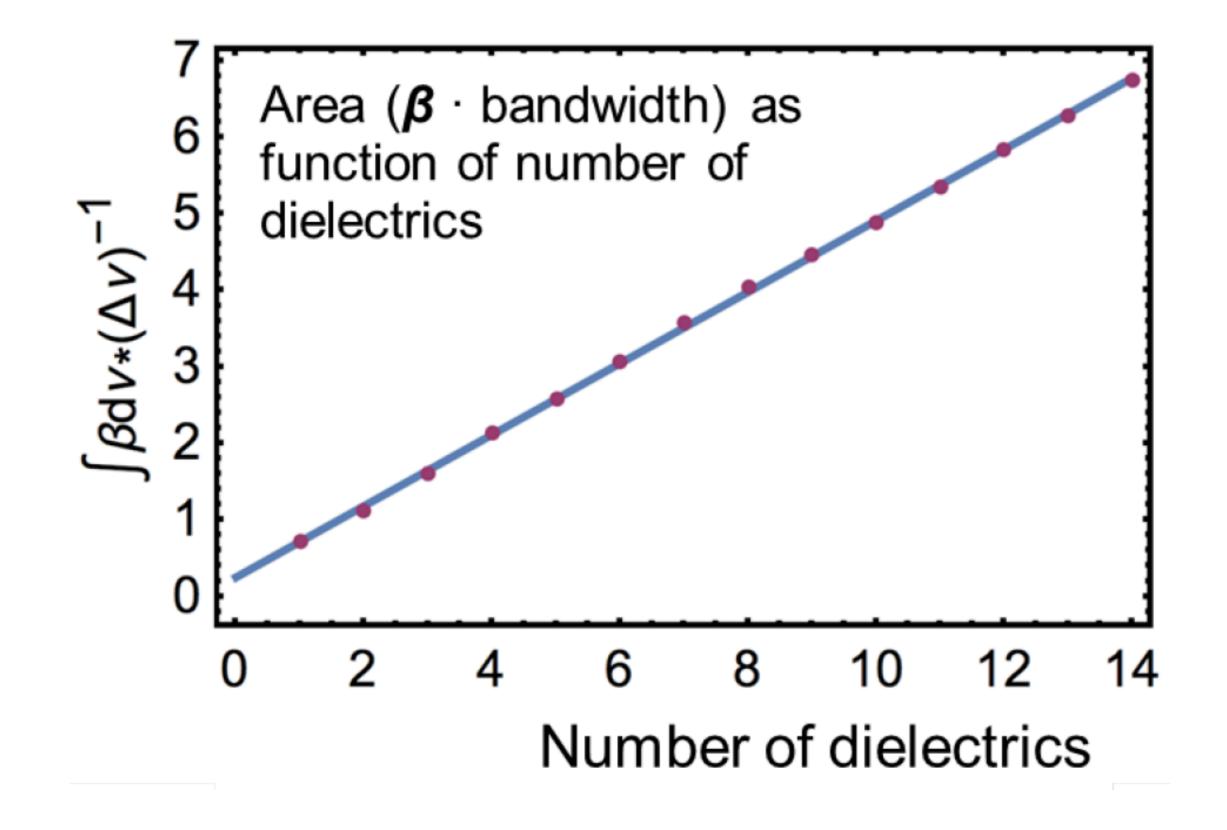
- smaller boost, worse S/N
- broad frequency range
- less repositioning

→trade-off for optimal sensitivity

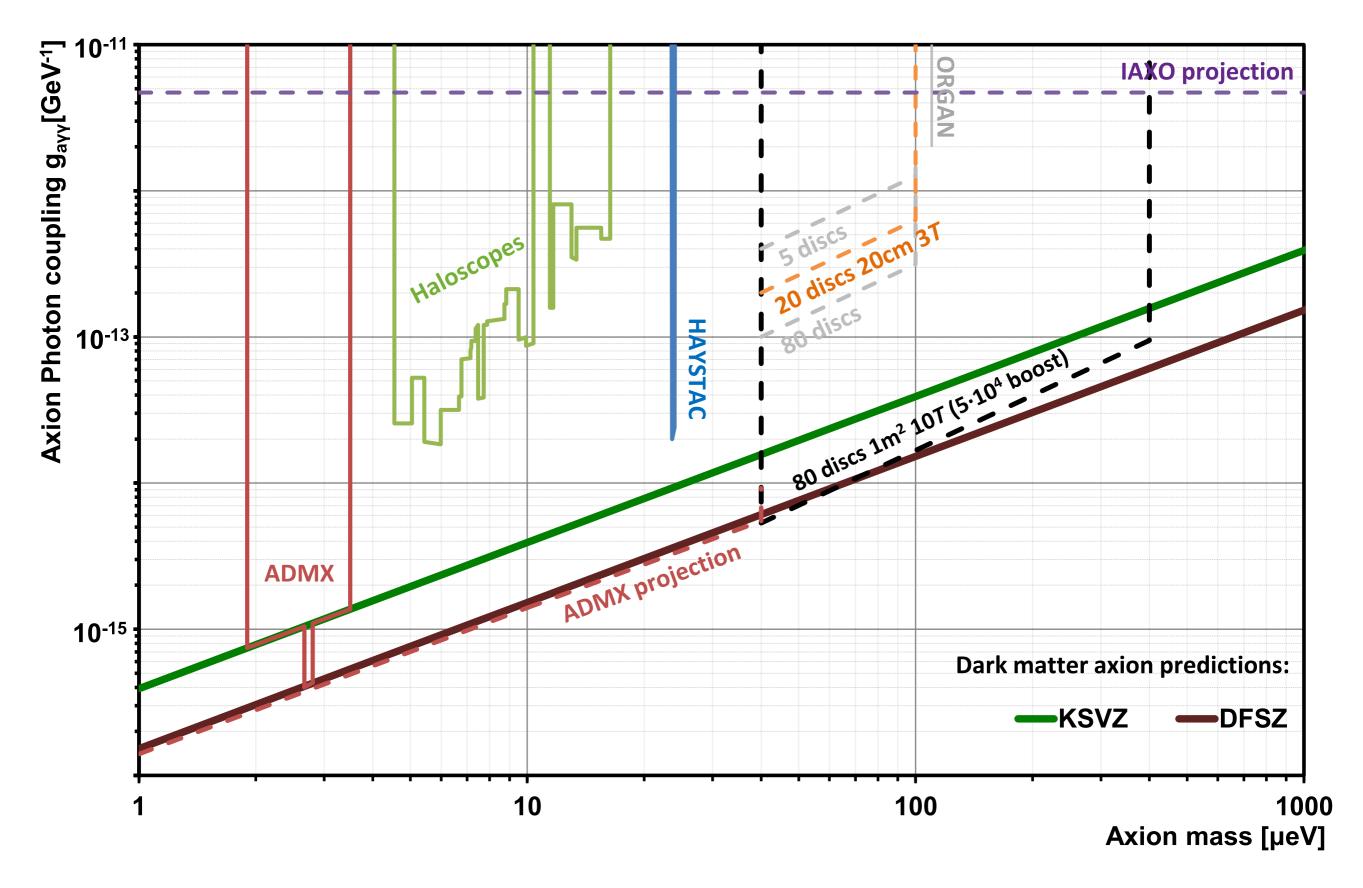
all disks need individual

high-precision adjustment



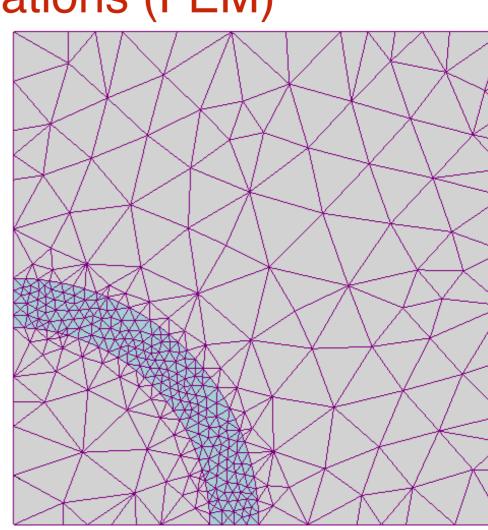


sensitivity calculation



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

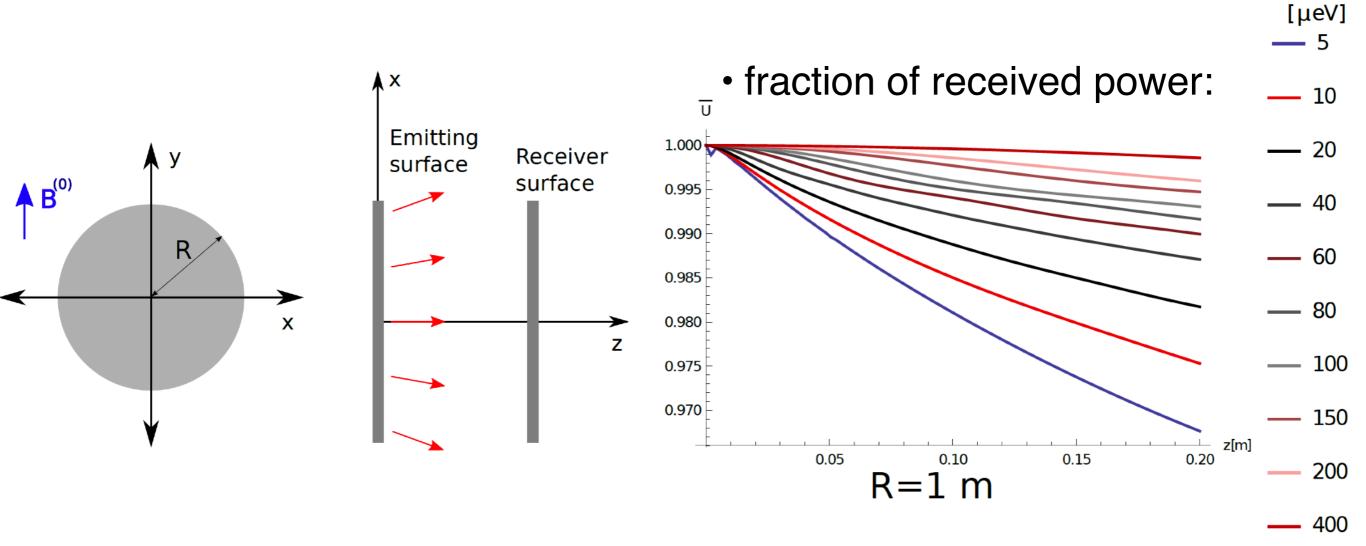


FEM simulation

• PDE to solve

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

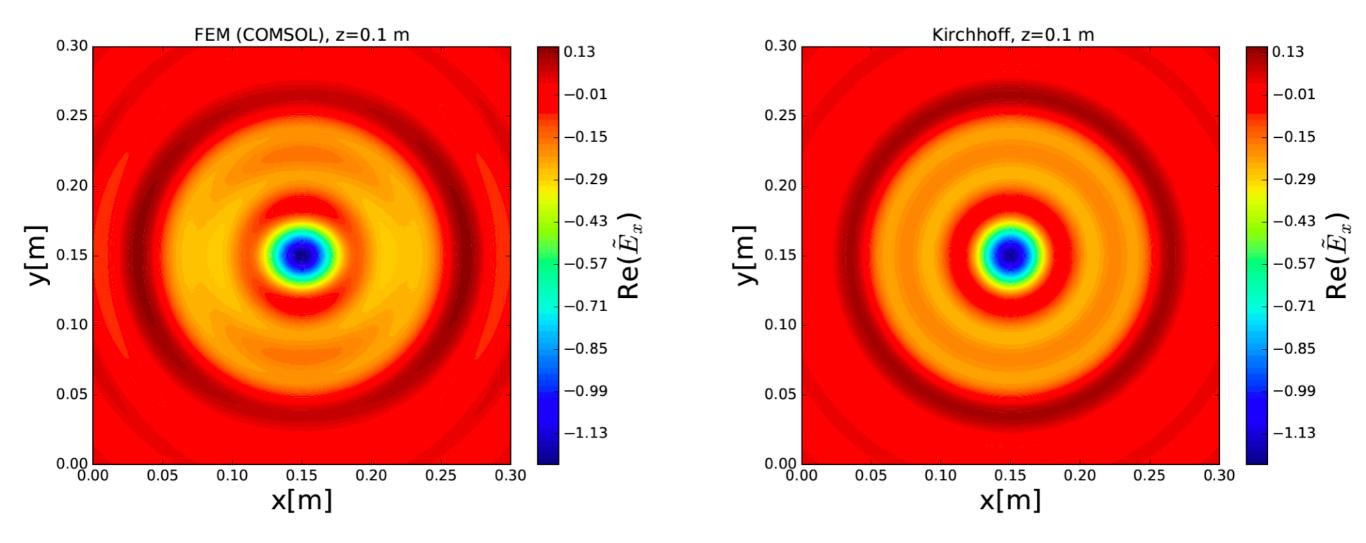
• verify simple cases:



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

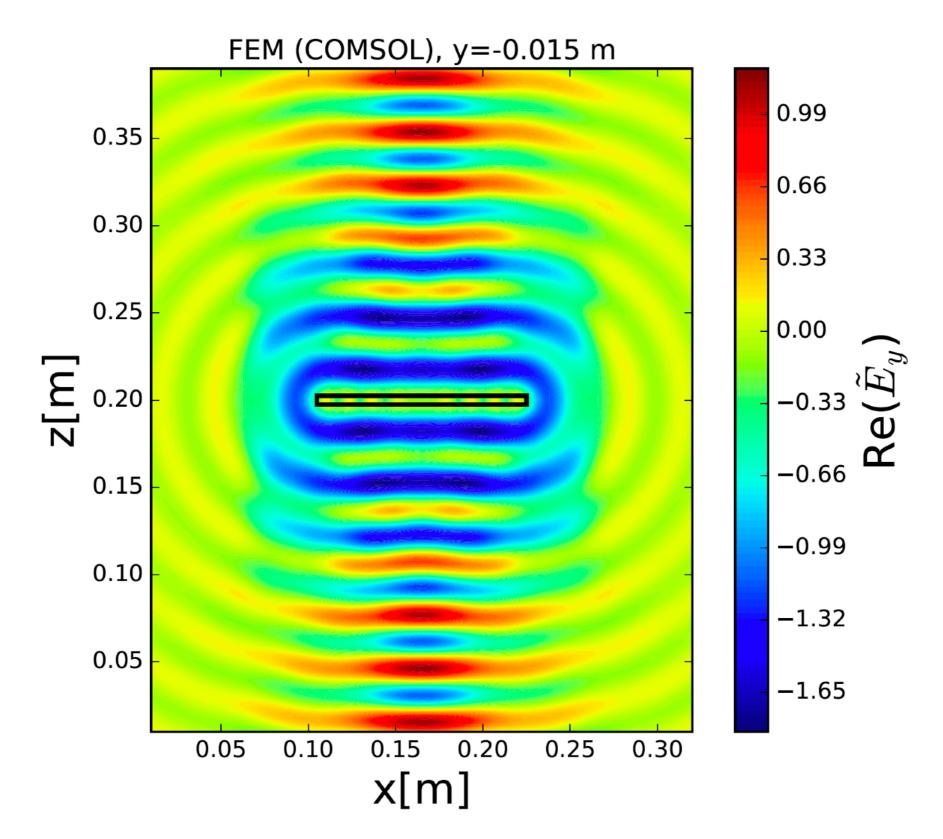
FEM simulation

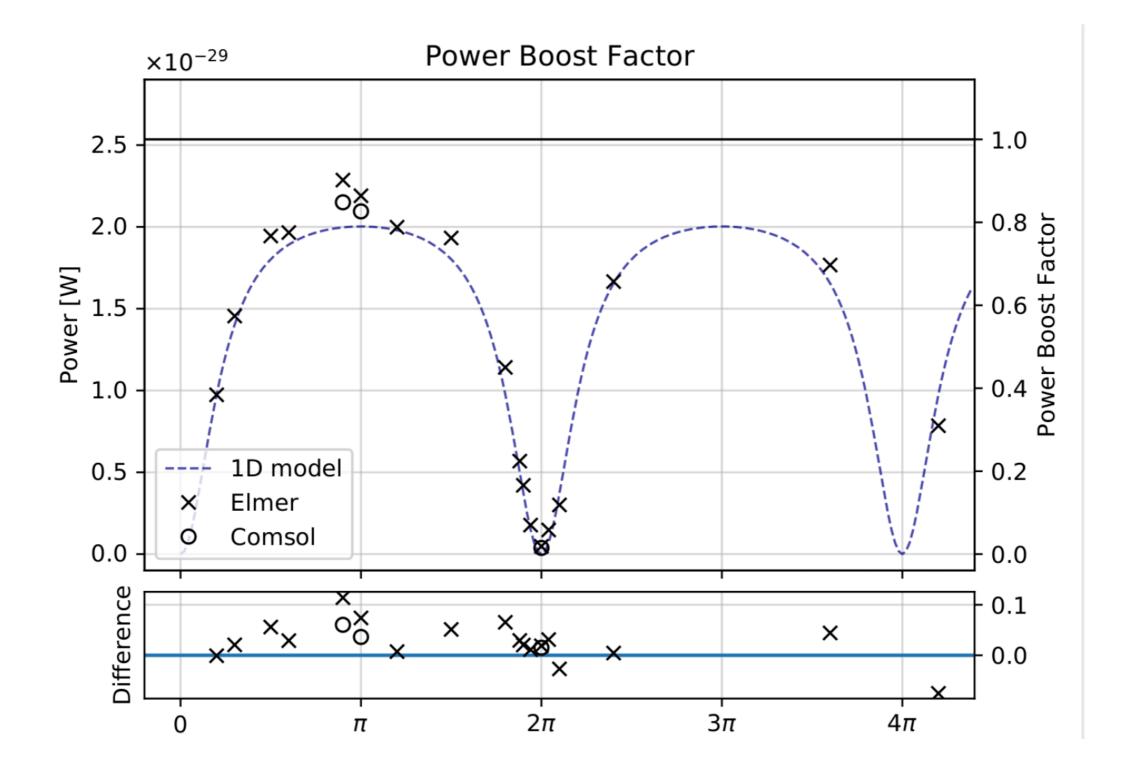
• compare FEM to Kirchhoff calculation:



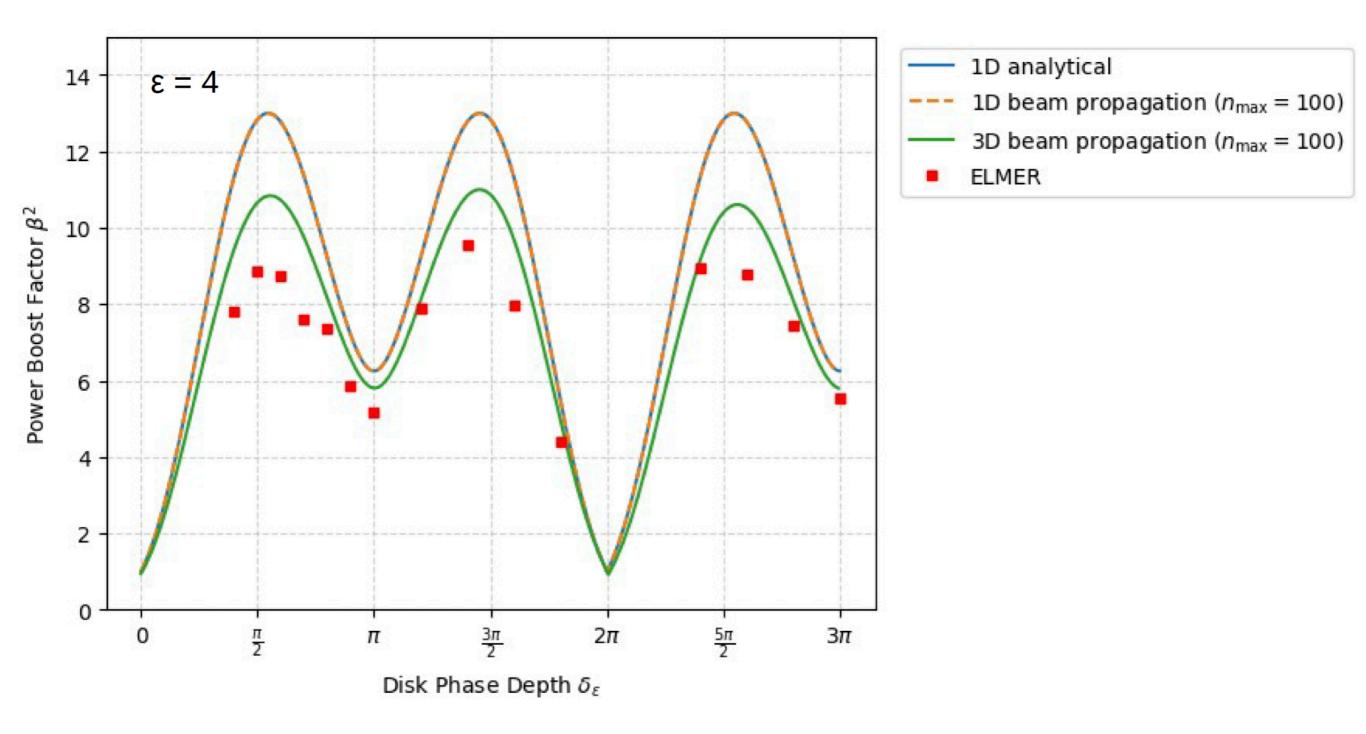
• can reproduce analytical results as far as available

• single dielectric disc:

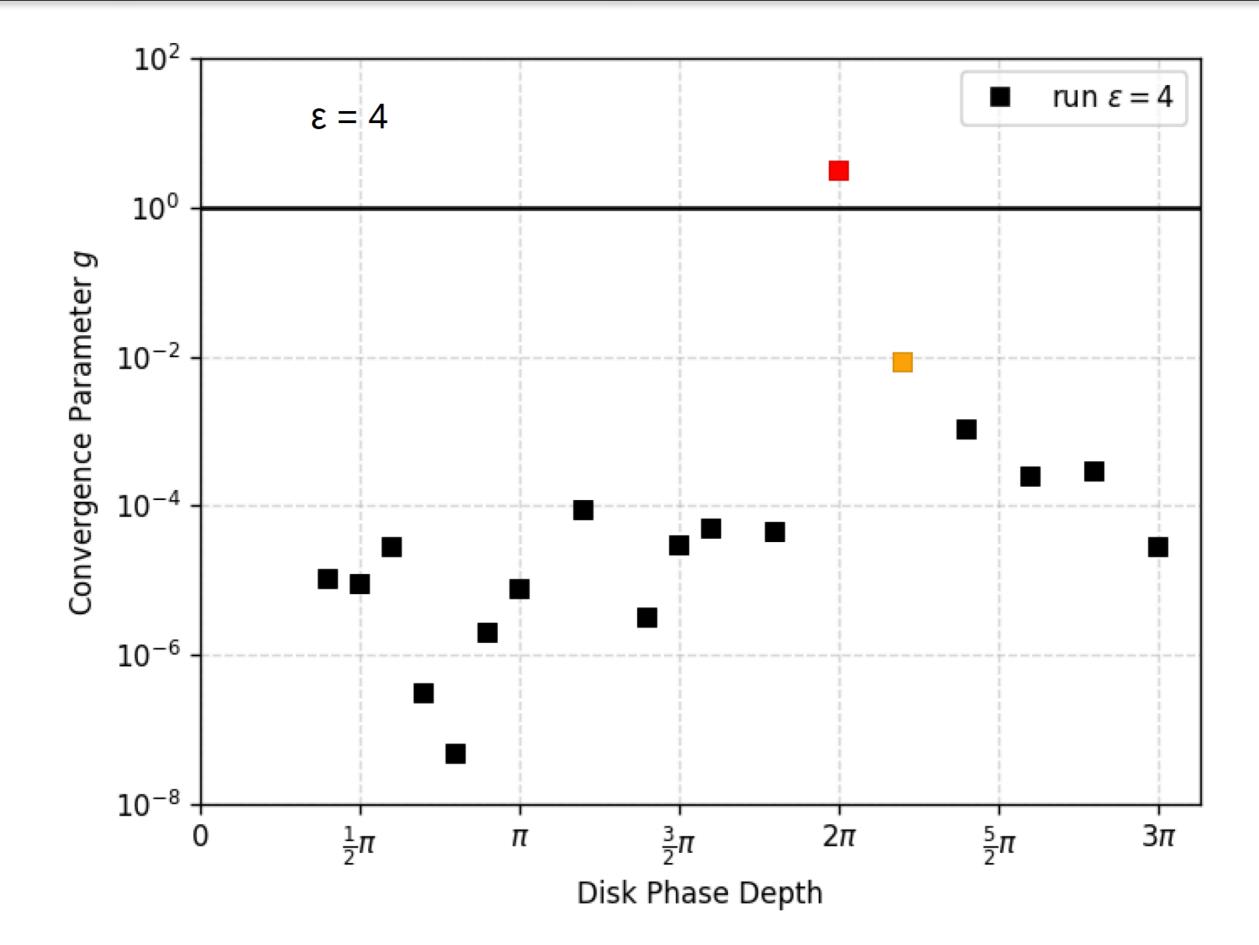




comparison disk plus mirror

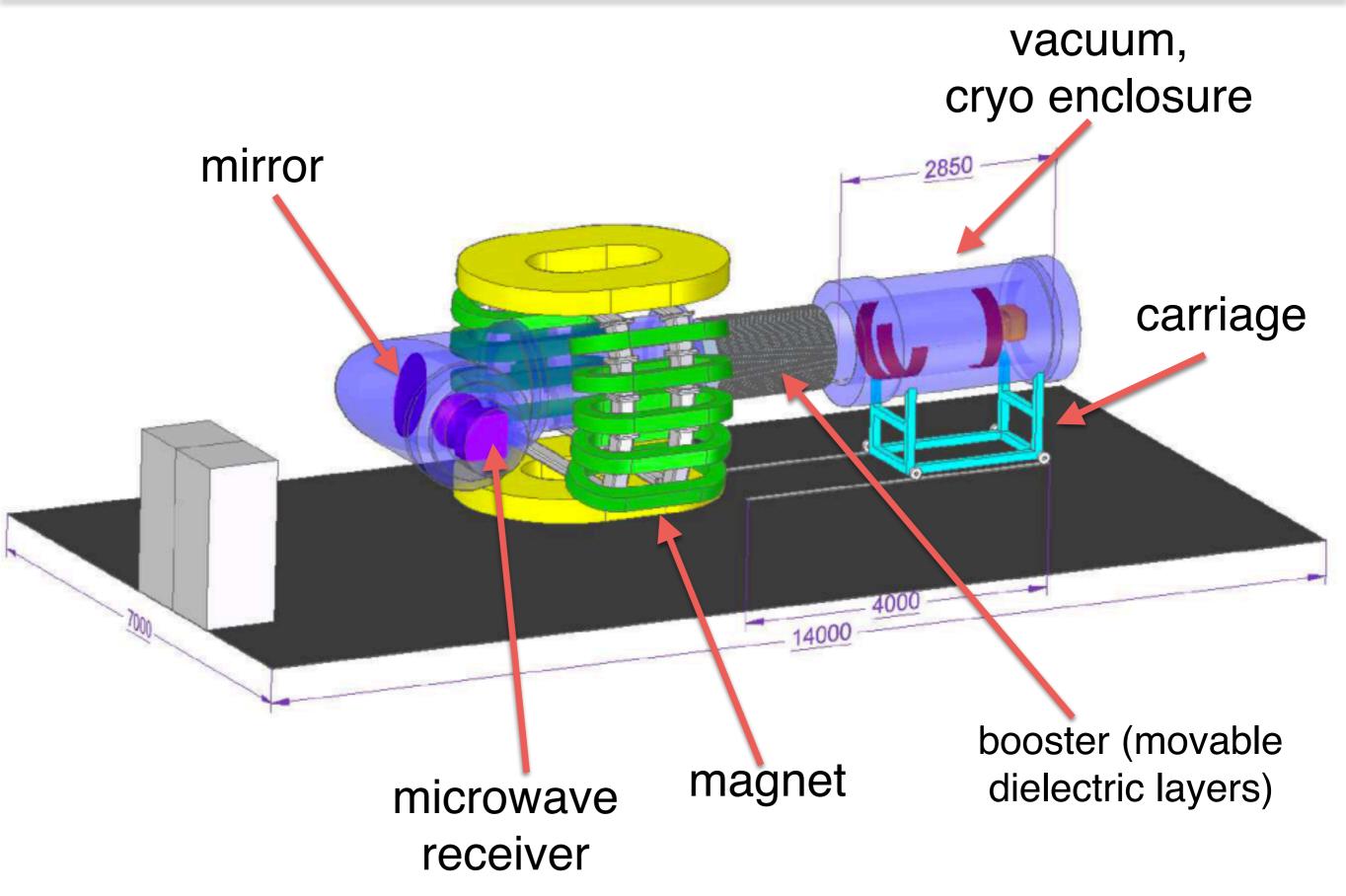


disk plus mirror: convergence

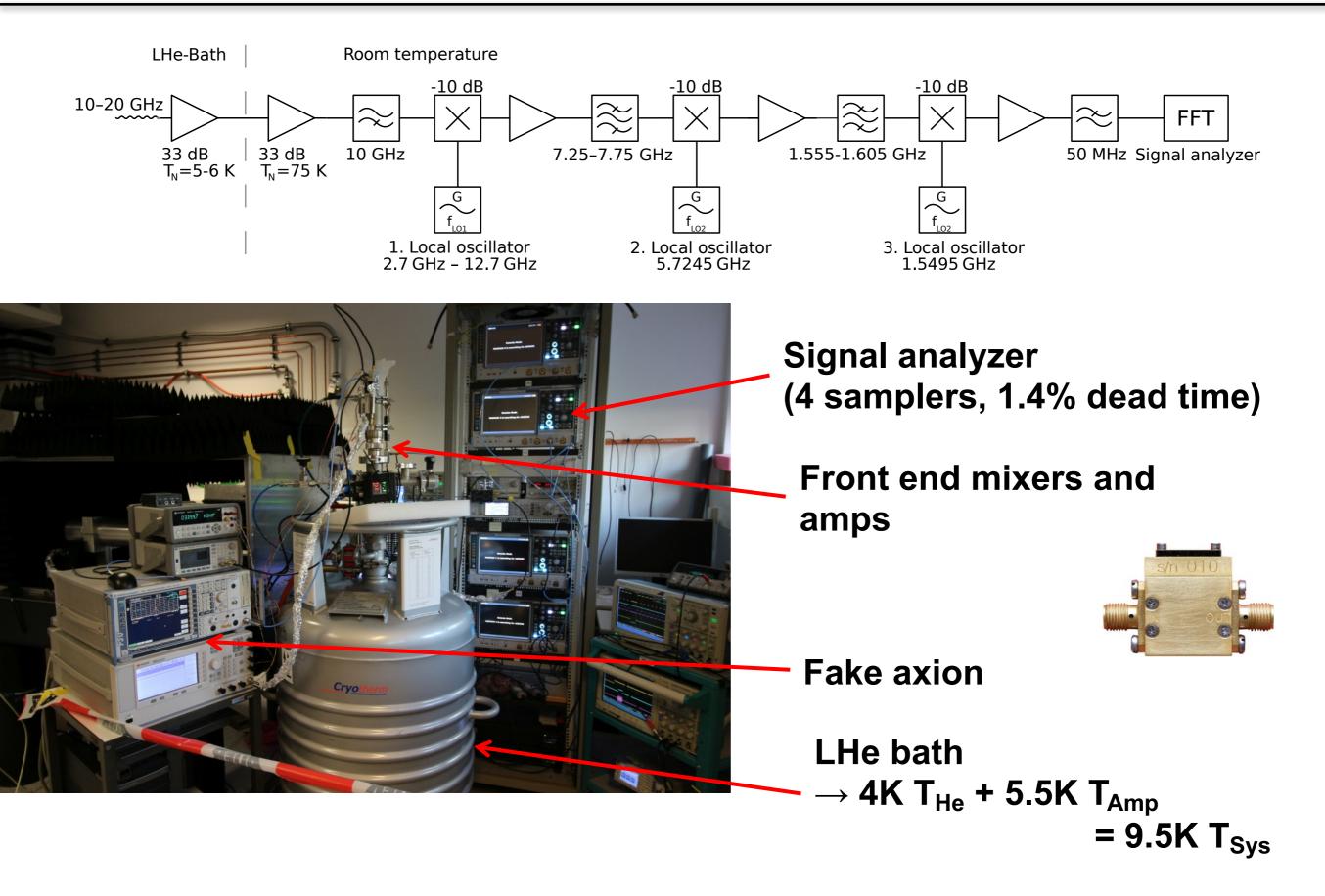


- convergence is an issue for FEM solvers, even in simple cases (mirror plus very few disks)
- impossible to fully simulate 3D model of full experiment:
 - convergence
 - too much CPU
 - too much memory
- in the process of developing custom "fast" simulation
 - could be based on 1D calculations with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

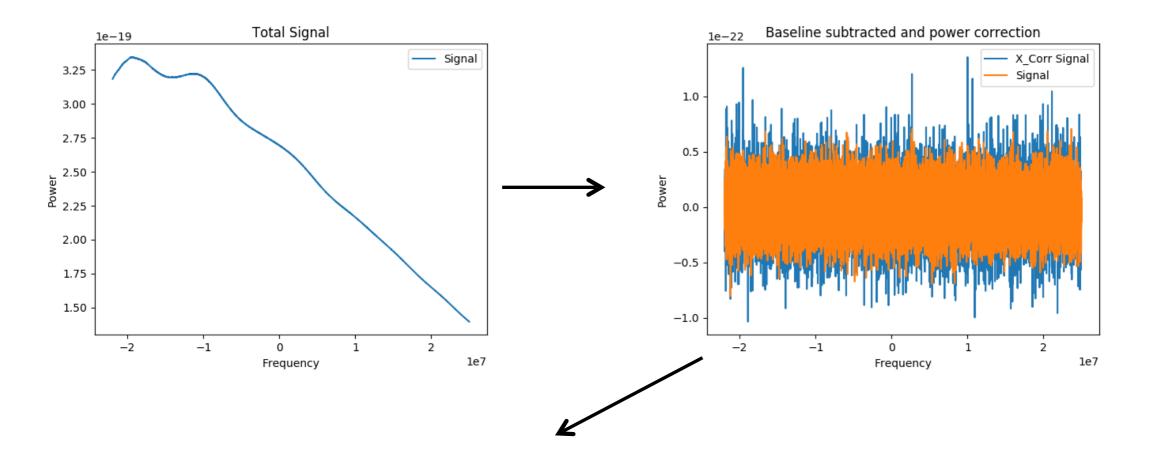
MADMAX sketch

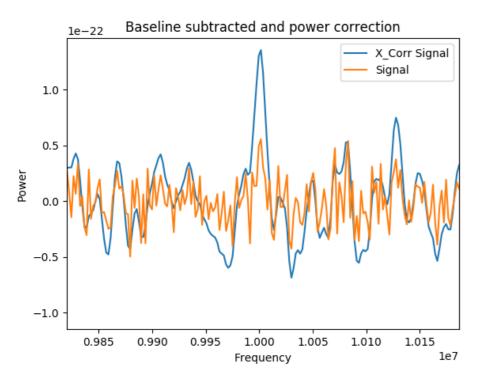


receiver test



receiver test



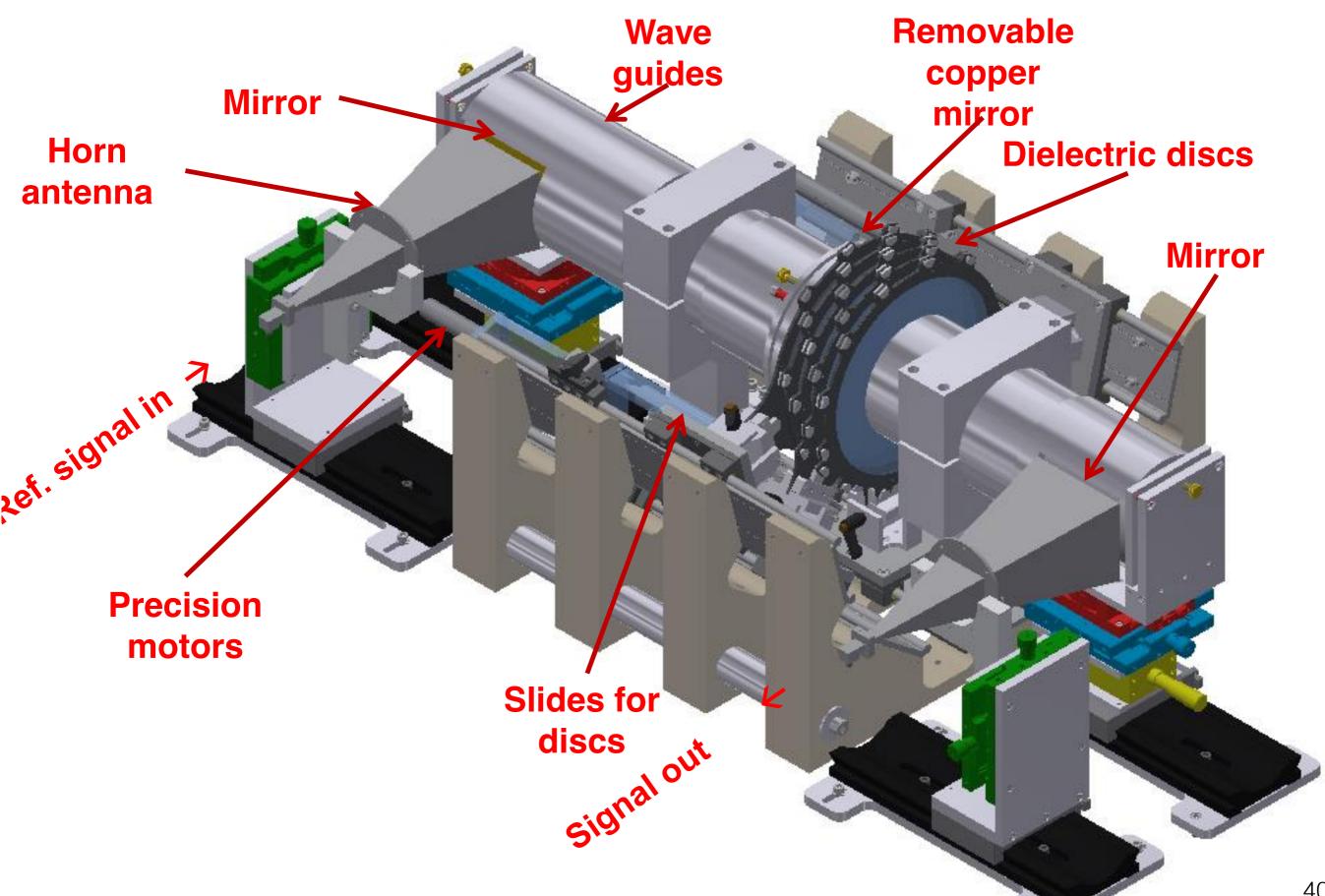


- Inject fake 18GHz axion signal with 10-22 W power
- Measurement for 28 hours (integrate signal): Receiver at LHe temp.

→ Cross correlation analysis (8kHz Lorentz shaped) → found ~5 σ signal succesfully

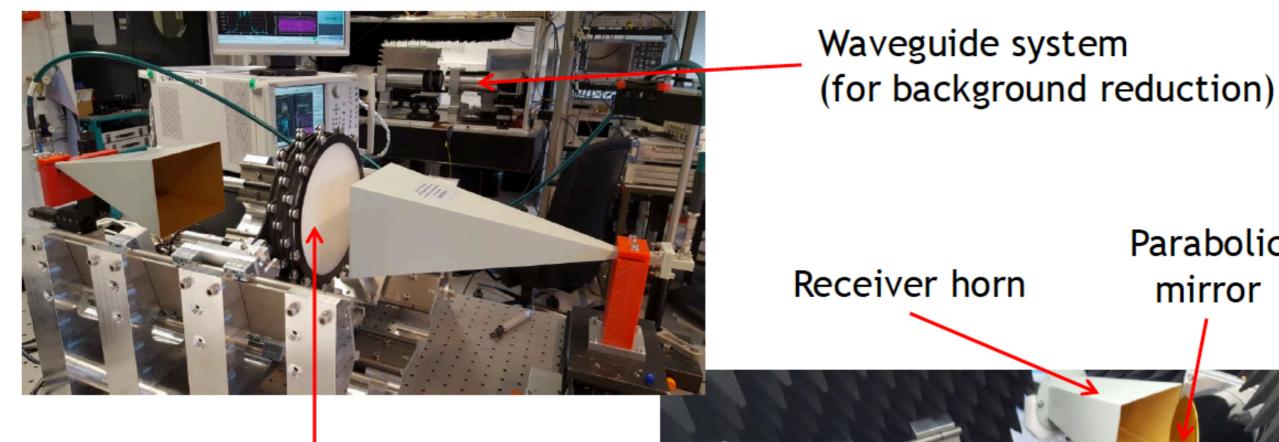
→ For 1 week measurement: Sensitivity at the level of ~ few 10⁻²³ W

MADMAX test setup



test setup in Munich

The real device (200mm sapphire disks):



Resonator (adjustable) 5(4) disks, sapphire

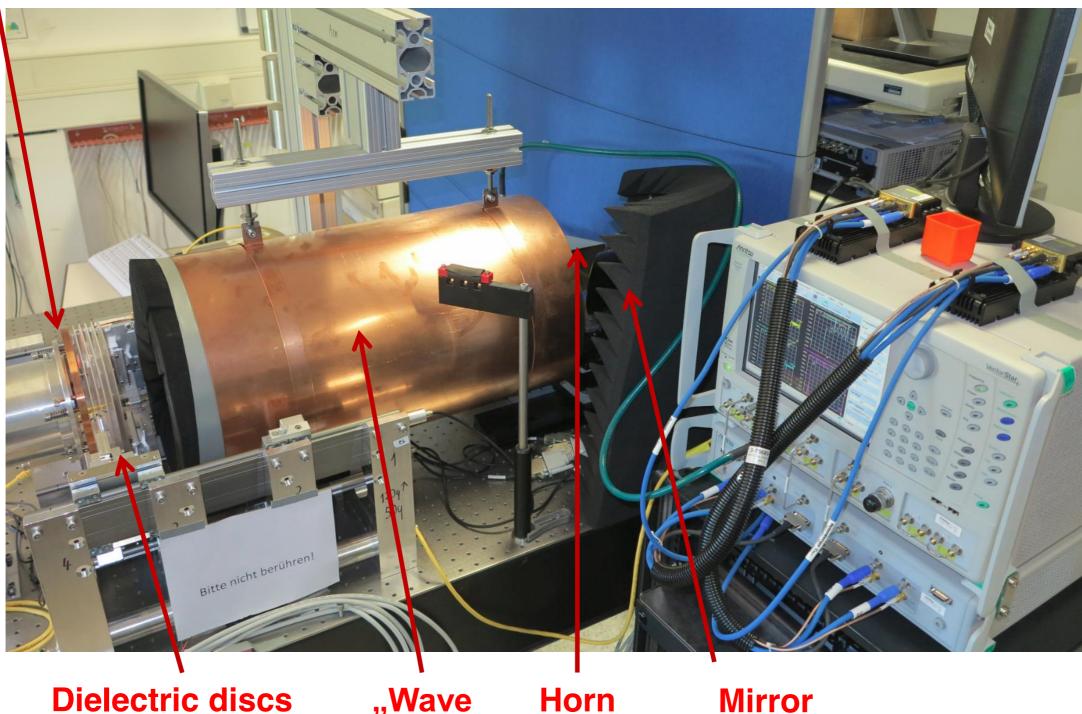
> Drive motor (100nm accuracy)

Parabolic

mirror

MADMAX prototype

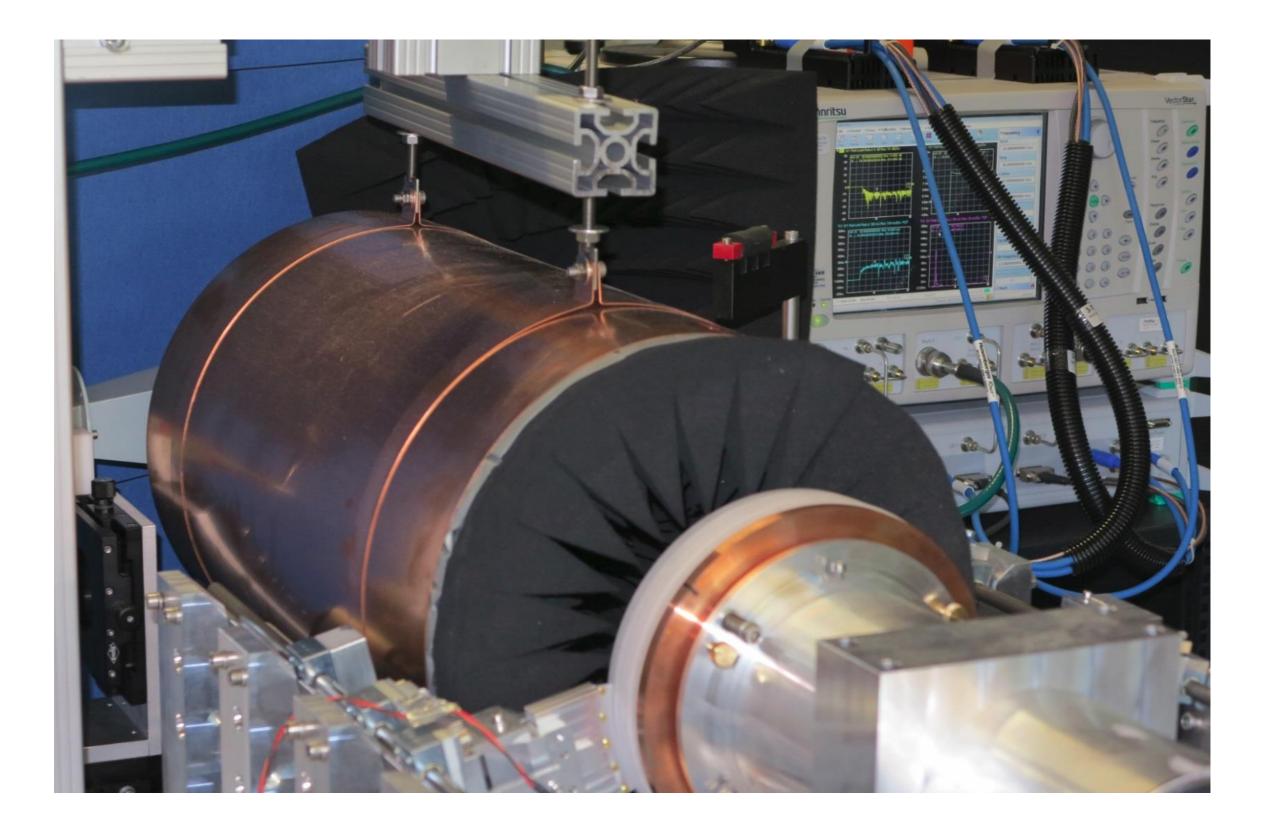
Removable copper mirror



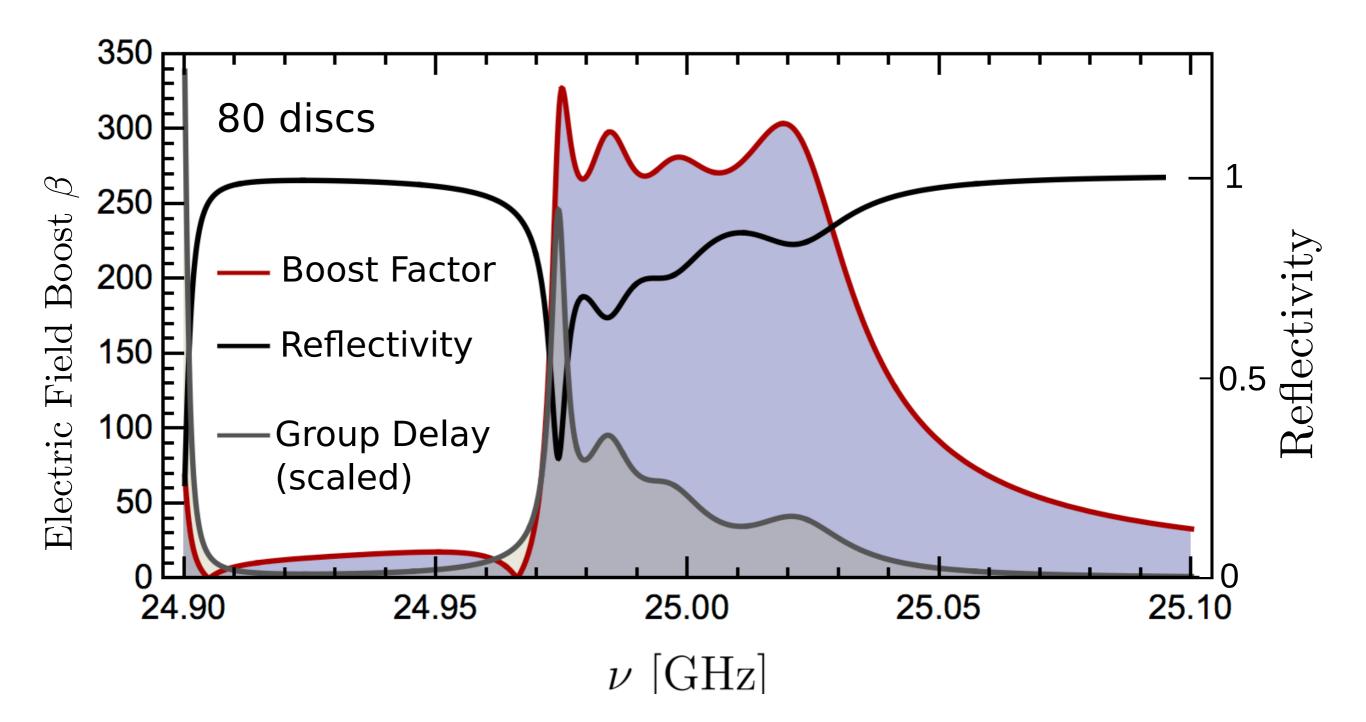
Dielectric discs (Saphire)

"Wave guide" antenna Mirror

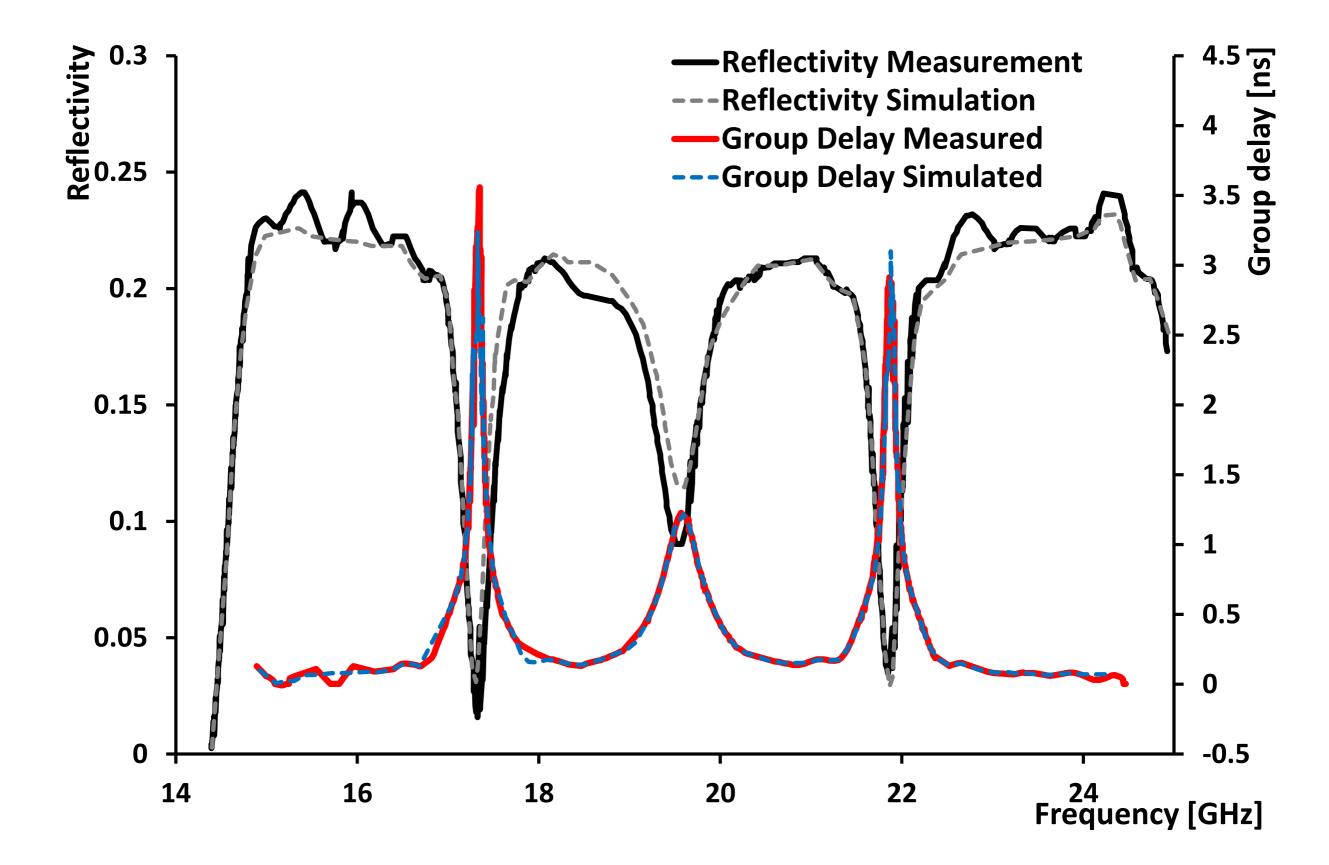
MADMAX prototype



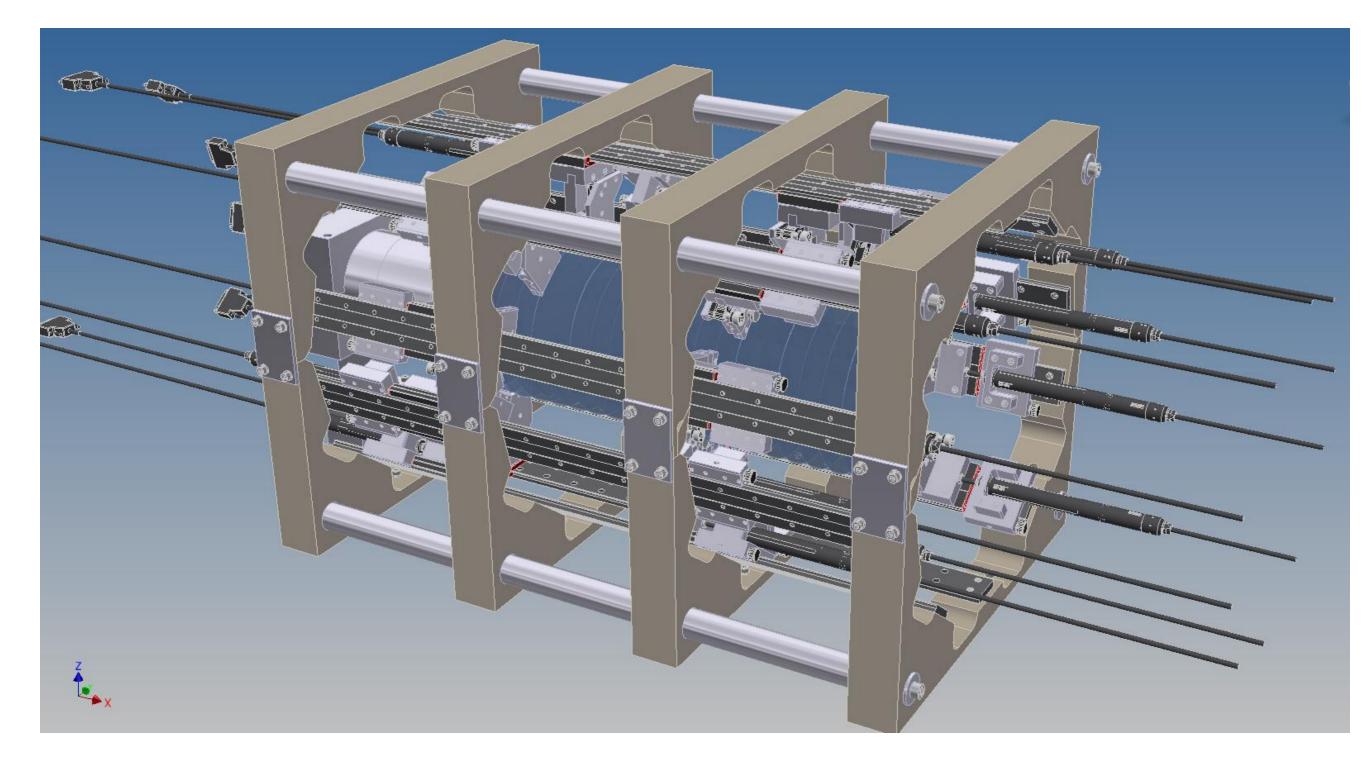
boost factor cannot be measured directly
exploit correlation with observable quantities



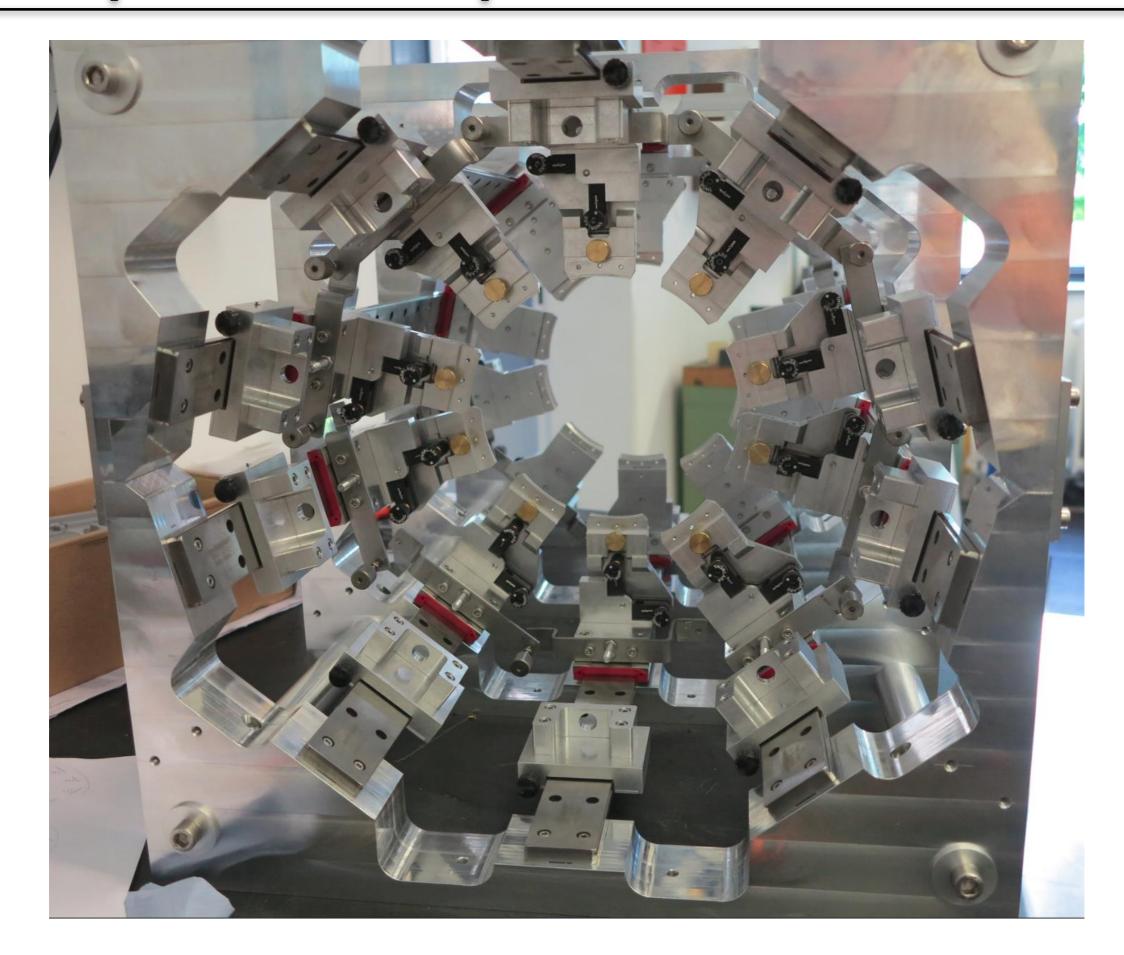
measurement at test setup



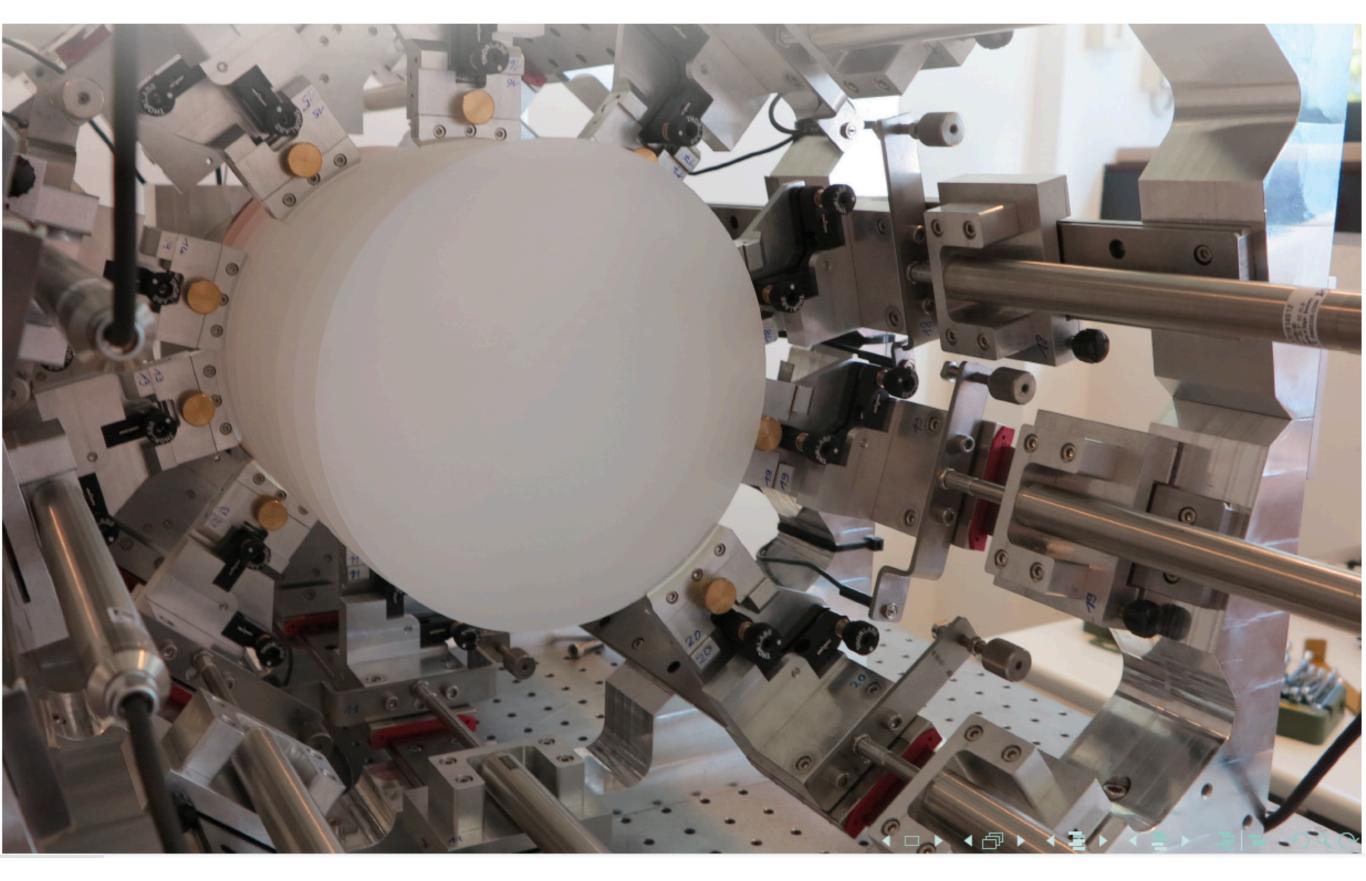
next step: 20 disc setup



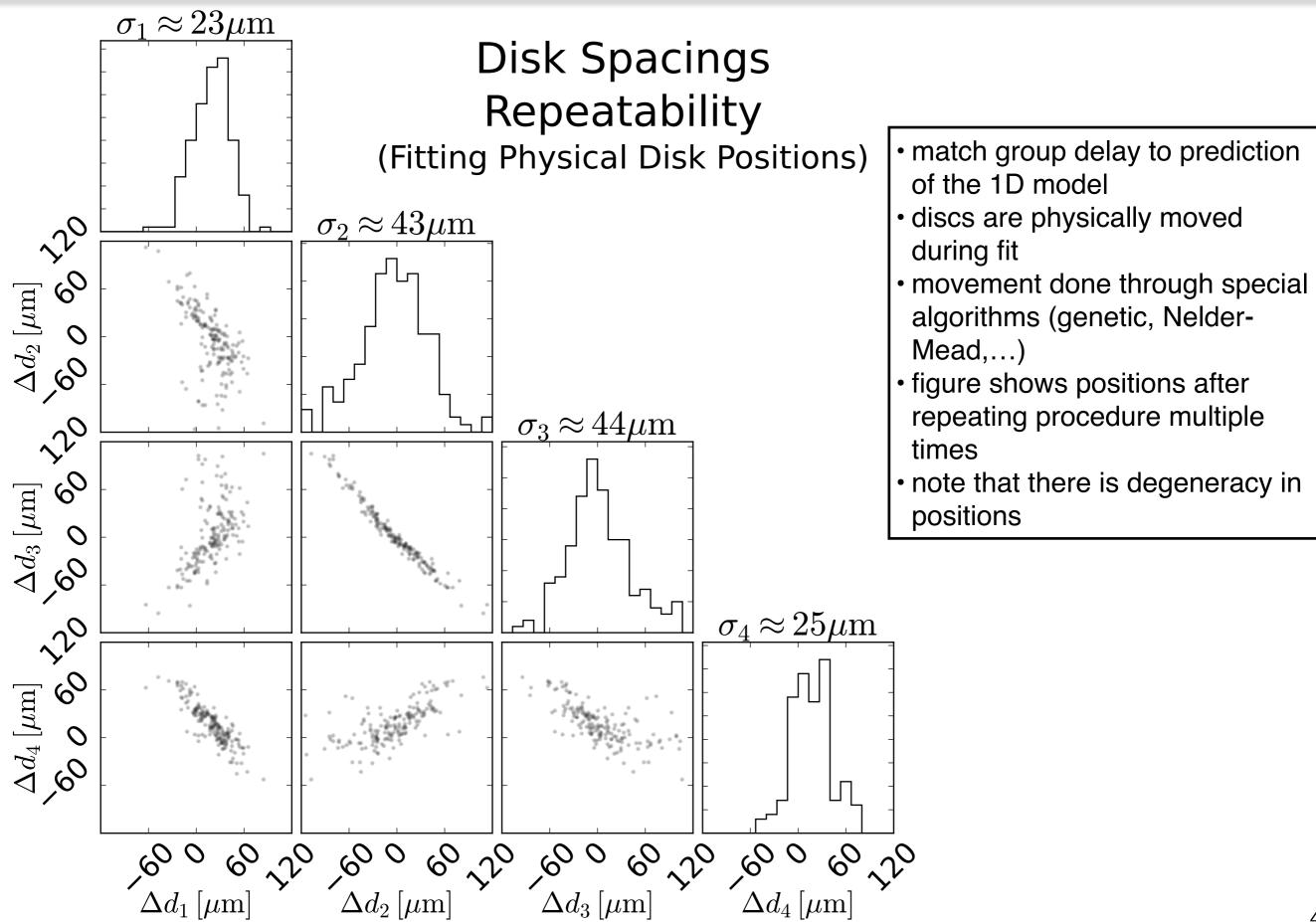
next step: 20 disc setup



next step: 20 disc setup



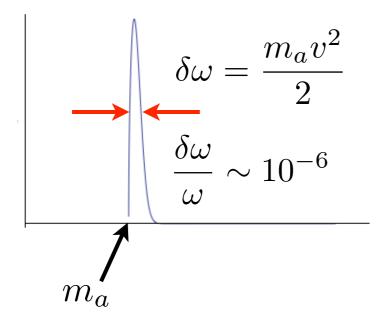
disc positioning



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:

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

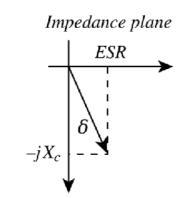


_	coherence length						
	$\delta L \sim \frac{1}{\delta p} \sim 20 \mathrm{m} \left(\frac{10^{-5} \mathrm{eV}}{m_a} \right)$						

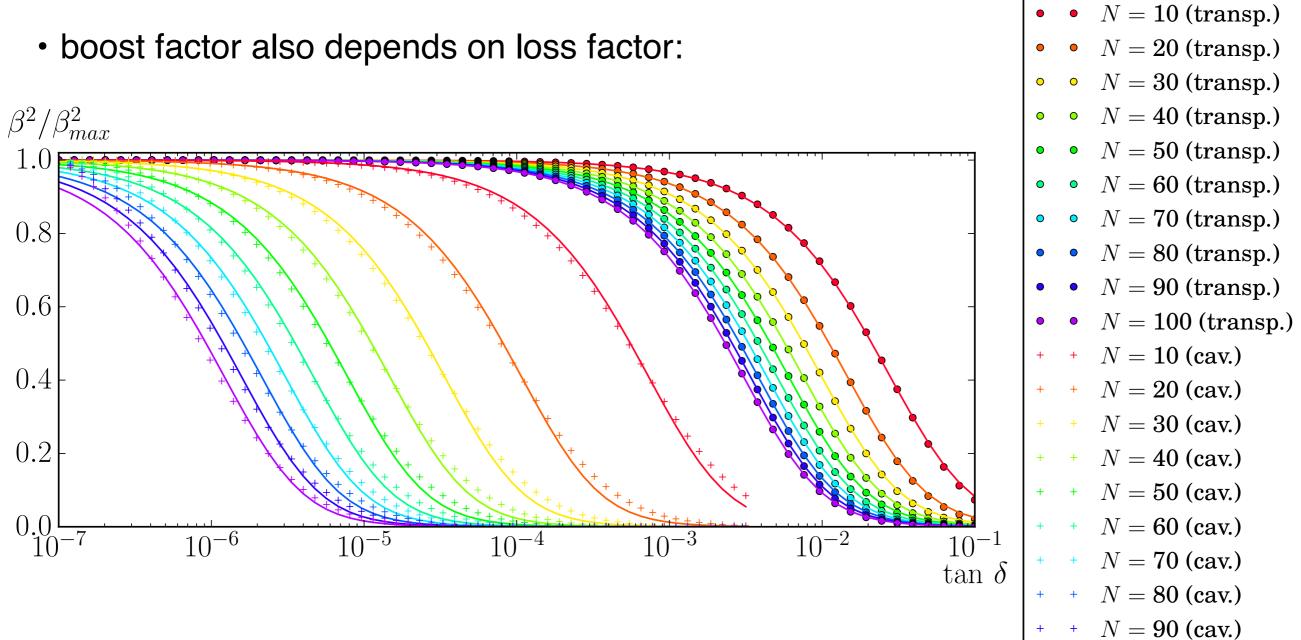
- Problem: find the ideal dielectric material to obtain
 - high boost factors
 - ♀ over a large surface
- ideal dielectric has:
 - Solution High dielectric constant ($\epsilon > 10$) for large axion/photon conversion factor
 - Solution Low loss (tan $\delta < 10^{-5}$) in order to reduce photon loss

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

 $\xrightarrow{C_{real}} \xrightarrow{C_{ideal}} \xrightarrow{ESR}$ ESR should be minimum, i.e. tan δ should be small



dielectric material



• note: state of the art uncertainty in

tan δ measurement: ~10⁻⁶ (see later slides)

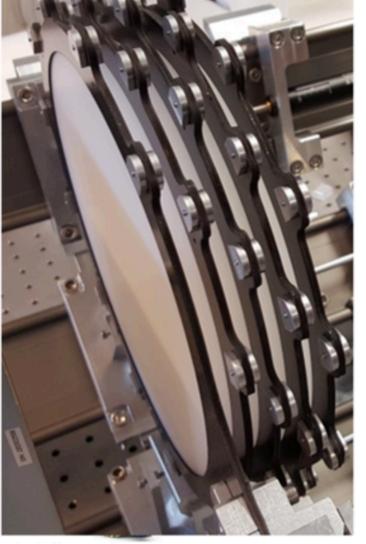
• 10⁻⁶ can make a significant difference in boost factor

N = 100 (cav.)

dielectric material

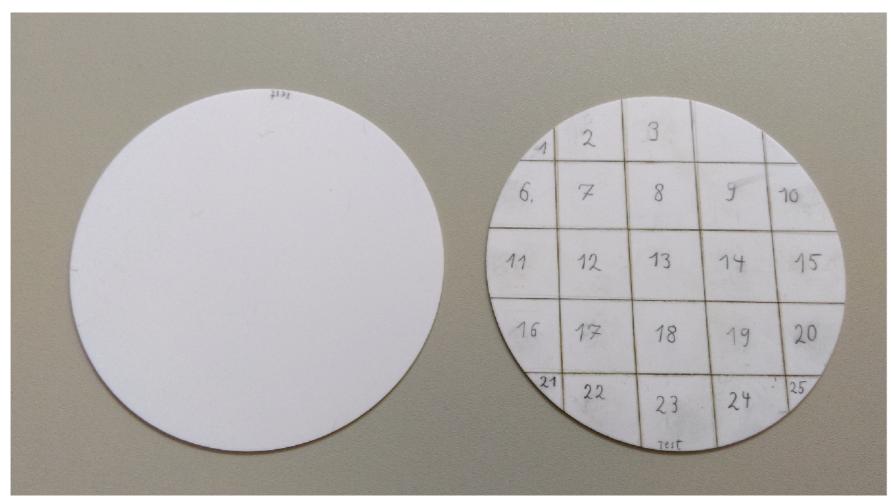


→ Lanthanide Aluminate (LaAlO₃) @ 77K $\epsilon \sim 24$; tan $\delta \sim 3 \cdot 10^{-5}$

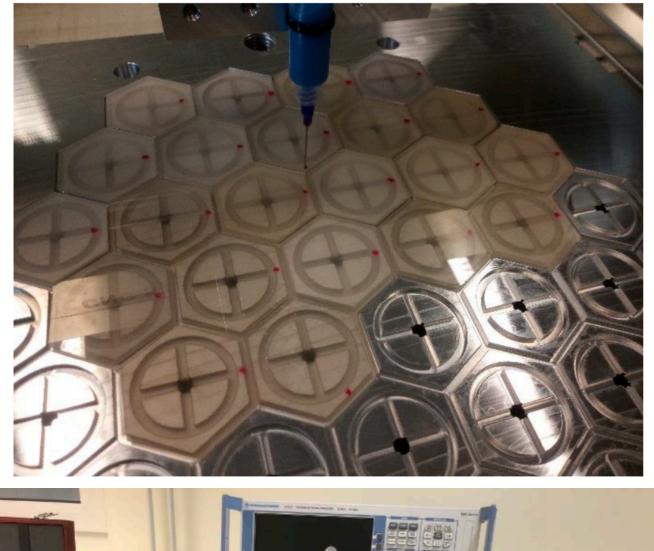


test of dielectric disk tiling

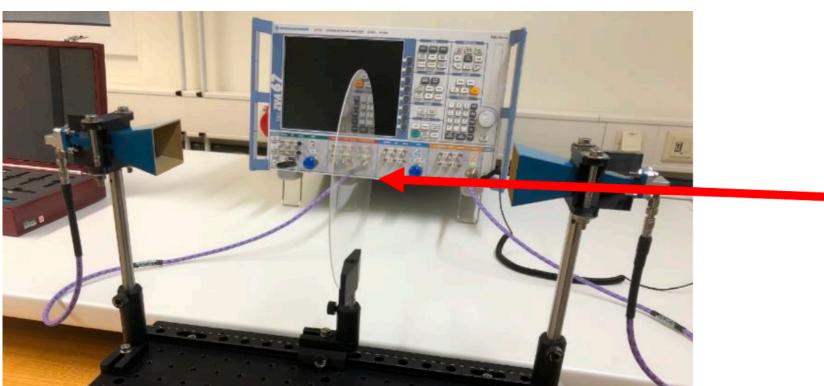
- I m² dielectric crystals cannot be grown (today)
- Solution: tiling
 - how to cut dielectric crystals ? (bridle)
 - how to glue ?
 - how to test dielectric properties after glueing ?

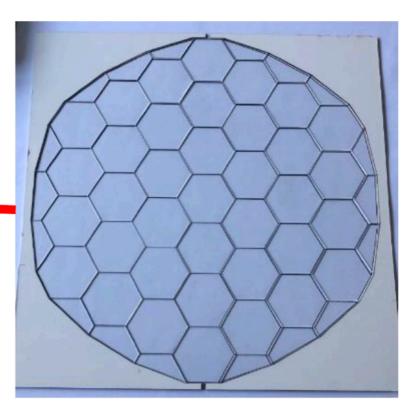


test of dielectric disk tiling



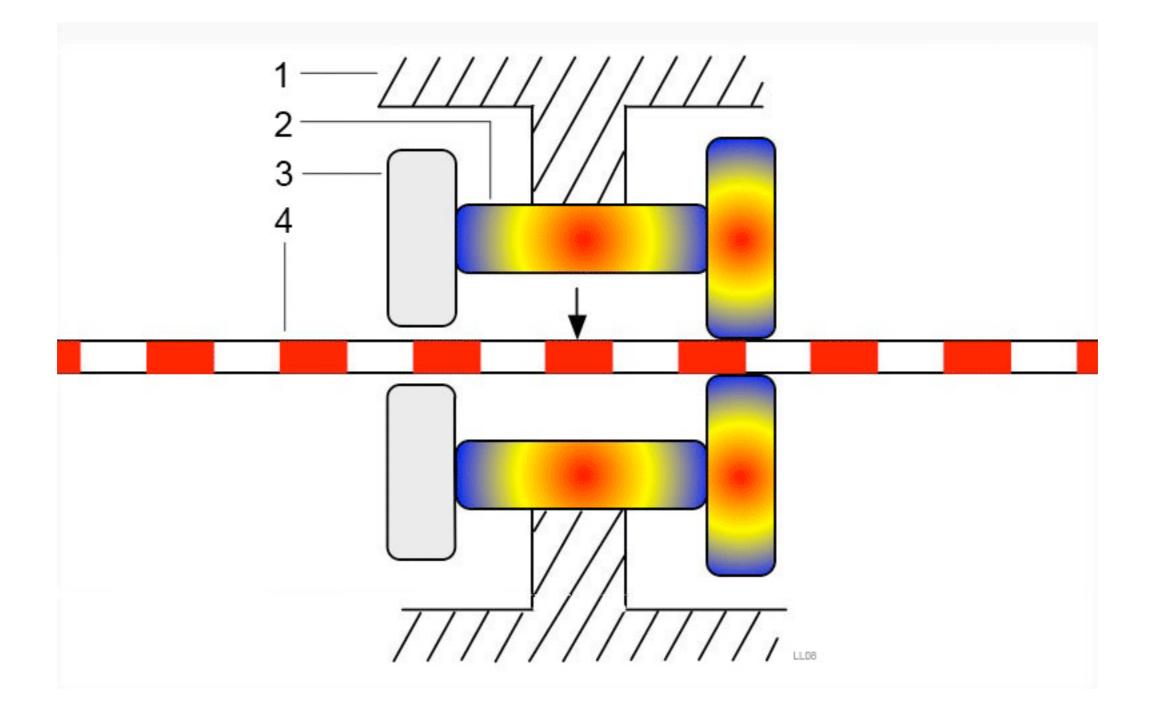






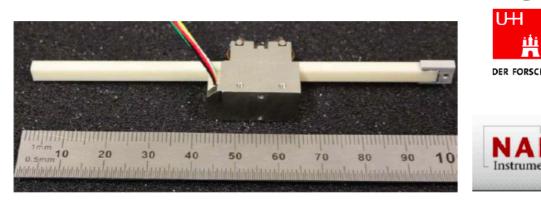
disc positioning system

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



Currently two different approaches are being followed:

Fixed rail, moving motor
 Fixed rail, moving



Requires long rods and guiding fixtures

Fixed motor, moving rod

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

B²·A ≳100 T²m² over 2m



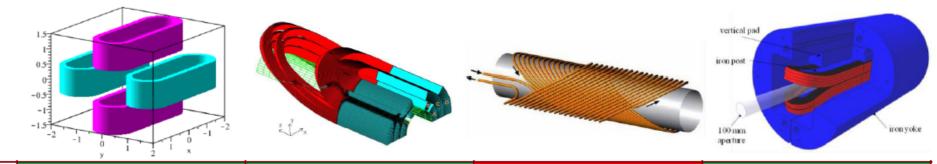
European Innovation Partnerships

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



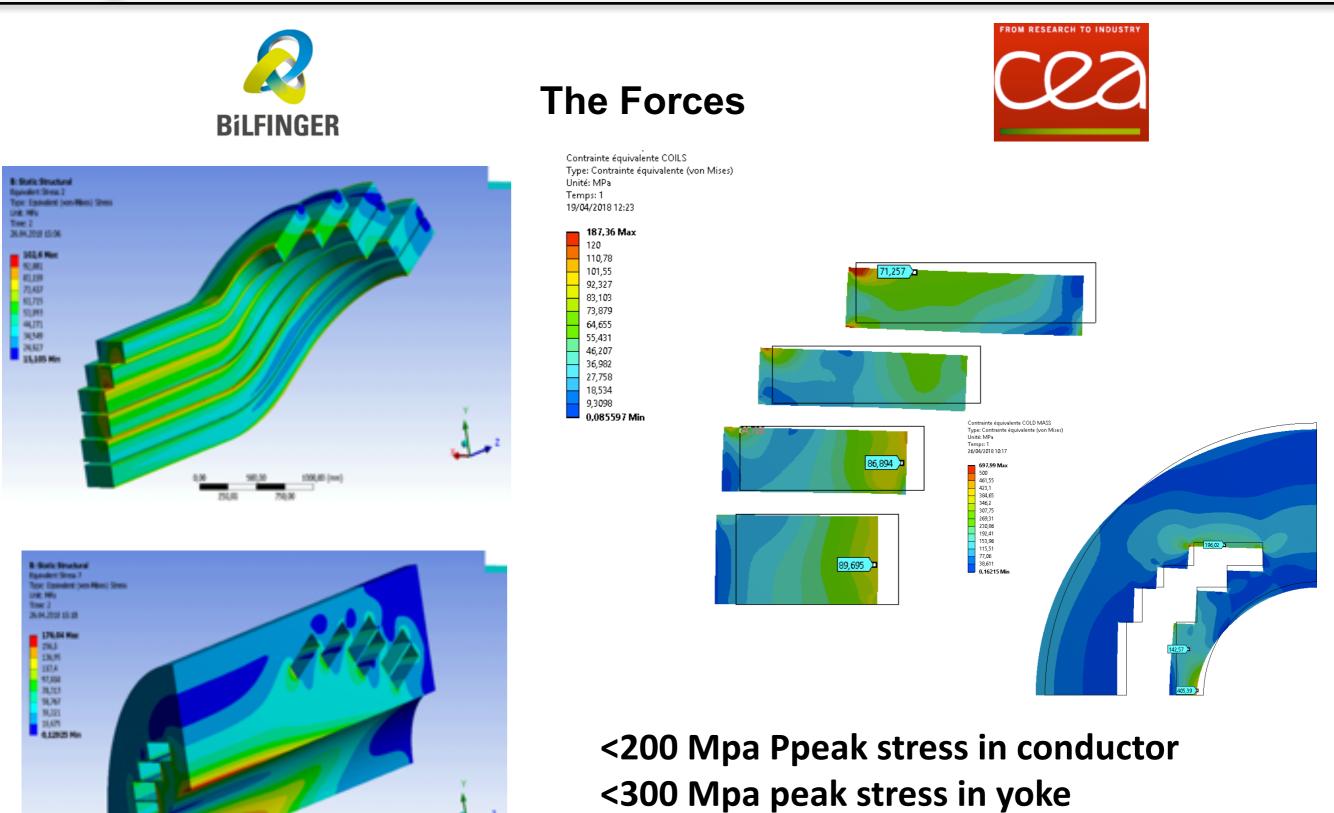
Field specification	++	++		++
Peak field	-	++	+	++
Stress analysis	+			+
Conductor design	+			+
Mechanical layout	++		++	
Superconductor	-	++	+	++
Stray field	++			
Compatibility H1 yoke		++	-	++
Magnet volume	+	++		++
First order conclusions that will be confirmed by further detailed studies	Encouraging solution that has to be optimized if shielding is required	Seems not feasible due to technological limits (conductor , layers,)	Seems not feasible due to design, techno and cost limits (field, cond, vol)	Encouraging solution if the H1 yoke fits with the stray field requirements

Comparison

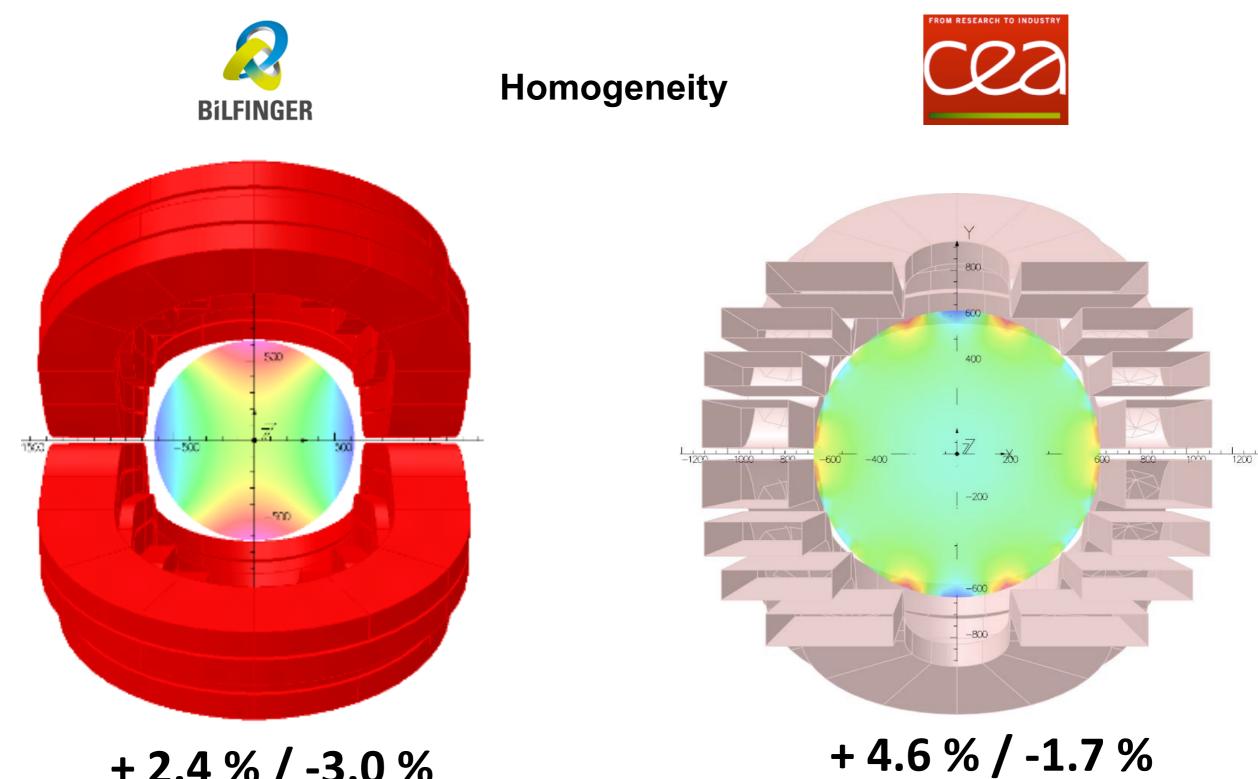
Preparing for the next step



Cosine Theta	ССТ	Block design	Racetrack	Helmholtz pair
Traditional design	Easy to optimize	Easier to		Short setup
Extensive exp.	High potential	manufacture than cos theta		solution Lots of space
Good homogeneity	Easy to produce	Flat or cc cable		
Small cross section	Good homogeneity	Harder to optimize		Low homogeneity



 \rightarrow Accepatble!



+ 2.4 % / -3.0 %



Weight: < 200.000 Kg

Length: 6900 mm

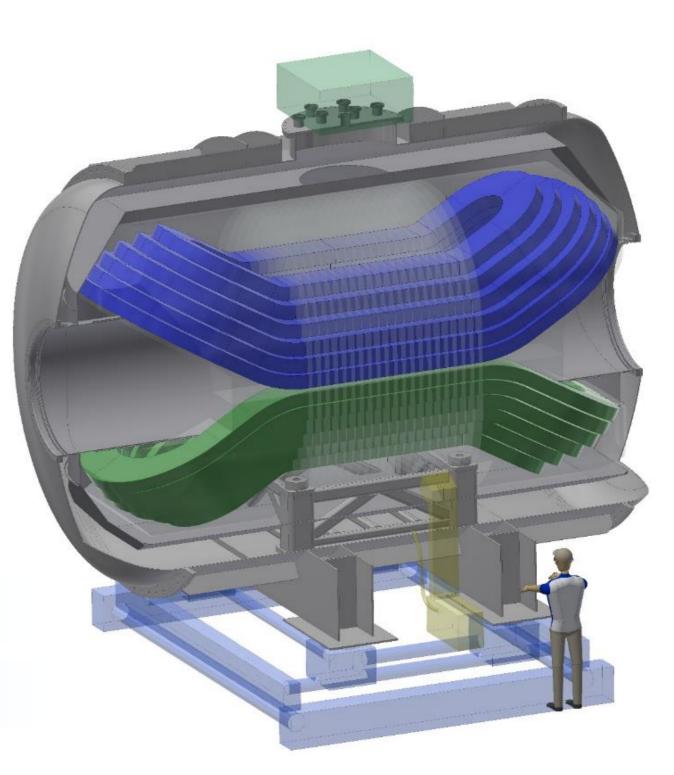
Diameter: 4400 mm

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:

A new experimental approach to probe QCD Axion Dark Matter in the mass range above 40 μ eV

The MADMAX interest group: P. Brun^a A. Caldwell^b L. Chevalier^a G. Dvali^{b,c} E. Garutti^d C. Gooch^b A. Hambarzumjan^b S. Knirck^b M. Kramer^e H. Krüger^f T. Lasserre^a A. Lindner^f B. Majorovits ^{b,1} C. Martens^f A. Millar^b G. Raffelt^b J. Redondo ^{g,2} O. Reimann^b A. Schmidt^d F. Simon^b F. Steffen^b G. Wieching^e

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

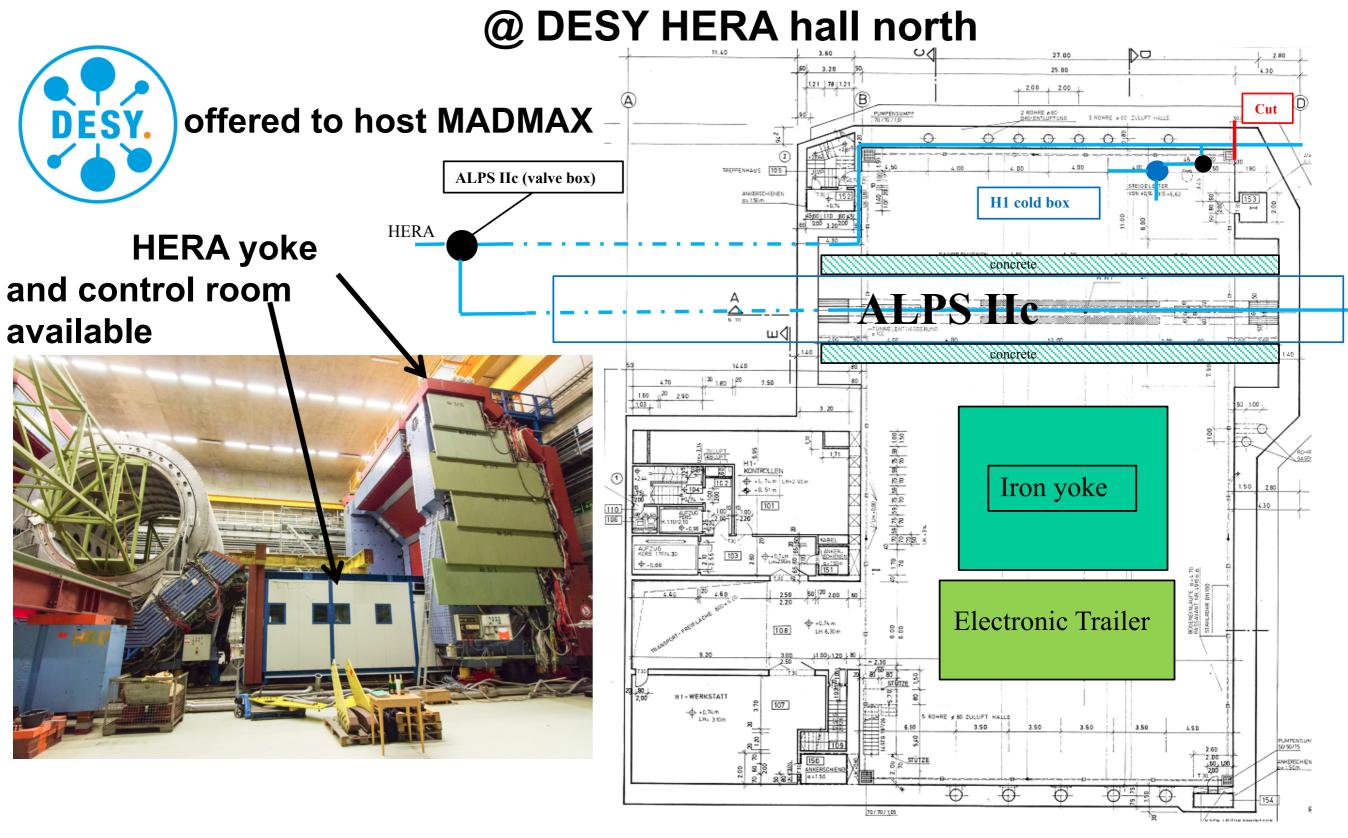


MADMAX site

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



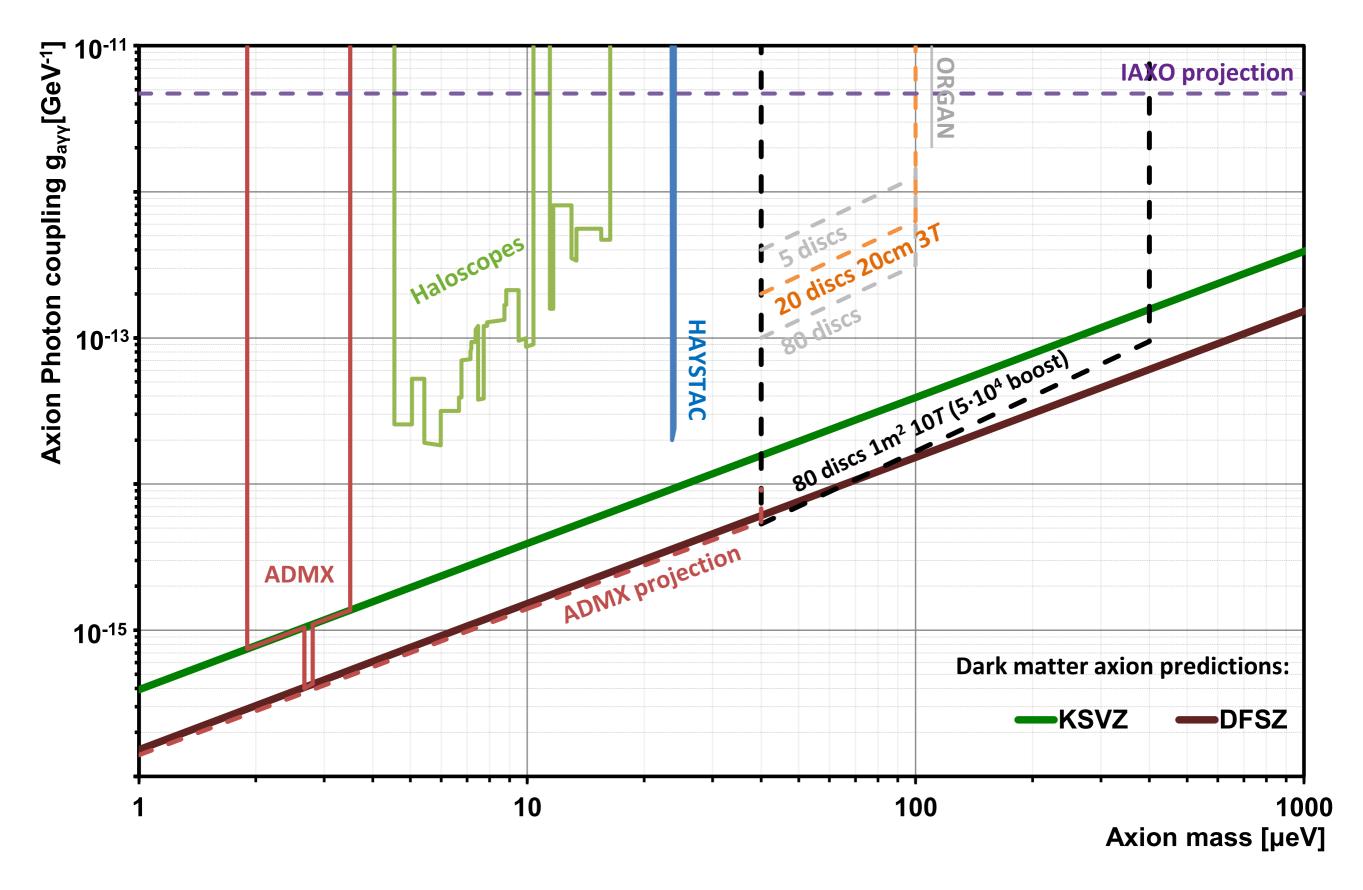
HERA north hall



prototype

Build prototype with 20 discs, 30cm diameter Use inside prototype (few T) magnet: \rightarrow Test feasibility of 1m² booster \rightarrow First physics results Antenna VERY PRELIMINARY DESIGN! Parabolic mirror Mirror + Discs + Mechanics

sensitivity calculation



time line

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

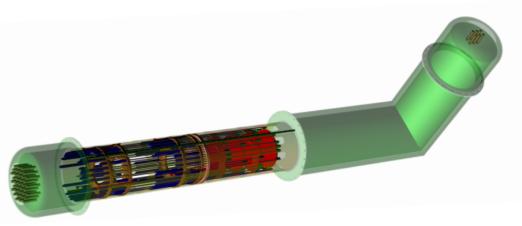
2018-2022

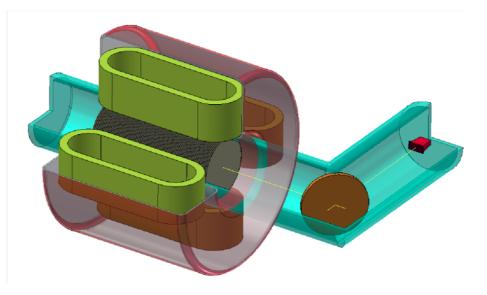
Prototype magnet & booster available

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

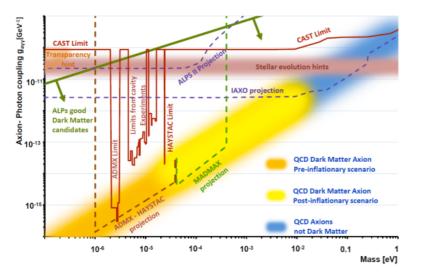
Afterwards: Build final magnet Build final booster → Start scanning 10-30GHz (40-120 µeV) range





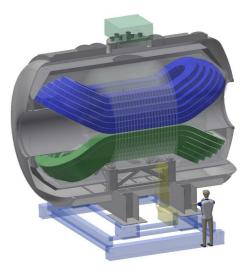


summary



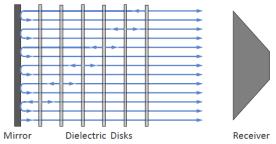


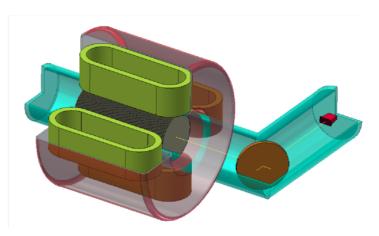
CONCLUSION



- 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
- > Mad Max: to be continued!







- Acknowledgements:
 - many plots taken from Javier Redondo, Stefan Knirck, Jan Schütte-Engel, Frank Steffen, Olaf Reimann, Alex Millar, Georg Raffelt, Bela Majorovits, ...

backup

