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## Examining axion-like particles with superconducting radio-frequency cavity

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# Traditional LSW-type experiments

- ALP Production: EM cavity mode + magnetic field  $\rightarrow$  ALP
- ALP Detection: ALP + magnetic field  $\rightarrow$  signal mode

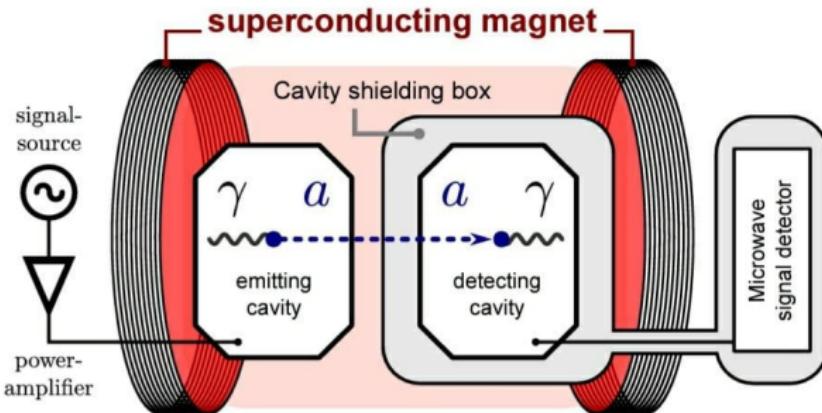


Figure 1 - The traditional LSW experiment scheme (CROWS)



# The scheme of the proposed setup

- SRF cavities — larger quality factor and amplitudes for EM modes *but* external magnetic field destroys superconducting state (condition on the surface magnetic field:  $|\vec{B}| < 0.2$  T for Niobium walls).
- In SRF cavities additional EM mode instead of magnetic field.

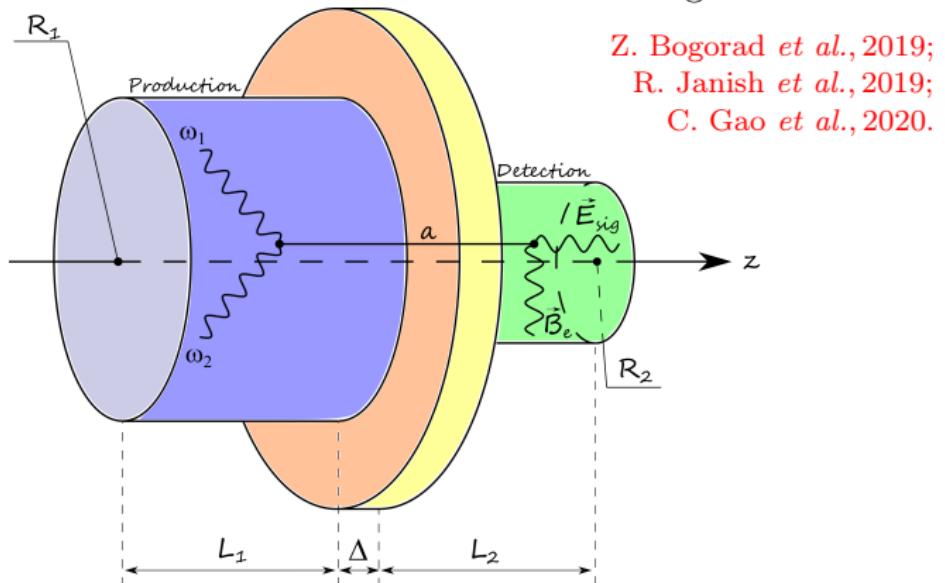


Figure 2 - The experiment scheme

# Theoretical model

- Axion-like particles (ALPs) are described by massive real pseudo-scalar field of  $a(\vec{x}, t)$  with mass of  $m_a$ .
- The Lagrangian ALPs - photon interaction:

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu a \partial^\mu a - \frac{1}{2}m_a^2 a^2 + \frac{g_{a\gamma\gamma}}{4} a F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}, \quad (1)$$

where  $g_{a\gamma\gamma}$  - coupling constant,  $\tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}F_{\alpha\beta}$  - dual field tensor.

- The Lagrangian (1) yields the following equations of motion:

$$(\partial_\mu \partial^\mu + m_a^2) a = \frac{g_{a\gamma\gamma}}{4} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}, \quad (2)$$

$$\partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = g_{a\gamma\gamma} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu a. \quad (3)$$



# Production of axion-like particles

- If the electromagnetic invariant

$$F_{\mu\nu}\tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} = -4(\vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}) \quad (4)$$

is non-vanishing then Eq. (2) implies that the axion field can be produced.

- For a single  $\text{TM}_{npq}$  or  $\text{TE}_{npq}$  mode  $(\vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}) = 0$ . Thus it is necessary to use at least two modes.
- In this case two axion waves are produced:

$$a_{\pm}(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{g_{a\gamma\gamma}}{4\pi} \Re e \int_{V_{cav}} d^3x' \frac{F_{\pm}(\vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \cdot e^{ik_{\pm}|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'| - i\omega_{\pm}t}, \quad (5)$$

where  $k_{\pm} = \sqrt{\omega_{\pm}^2 - m_a^2}$ ,  $\omega_{\pm} = |\omega_1 \pm \omega_2|$ ,  $\omega_{1,2}$  - frequencies of pump modes,  $F_{\pm}(\vec{x})$  - functions of their complex amplitudes.



# Modelling of axion field

$$m = 8 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV},$$

$$R_1 = 1 \text{ m}, \ L_1 = 1 \text{ m}, \ \omega_+ = 14.7 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV}.$$



# Time-averaged energy density of ALPs

- To describe the intensity of ALPs production, the time-average energy density was calculated:

$$\langle \rho_{\pm}^E \rangle_T = \frac{1}{2} \langle \dot{a}_{\pm}^2 \rangle_T + \frac{1}{2} \langle \partial_i a_{\pm} \partial^i a_{\pm} \rangle_T + \frac{1}{2} m_a^2 \langle a_{\pm}^2 \rangle_T . \quad (6)$$

- The spatial distribution of the time-average energy density (6) depends on:
  - mass of ALPs;
  - cylindrical cavity geometry;
  - pump modes.



# Comparison of $\langle \rho_+^E \rangle$ and $\langle \rho_-^E \rangle$

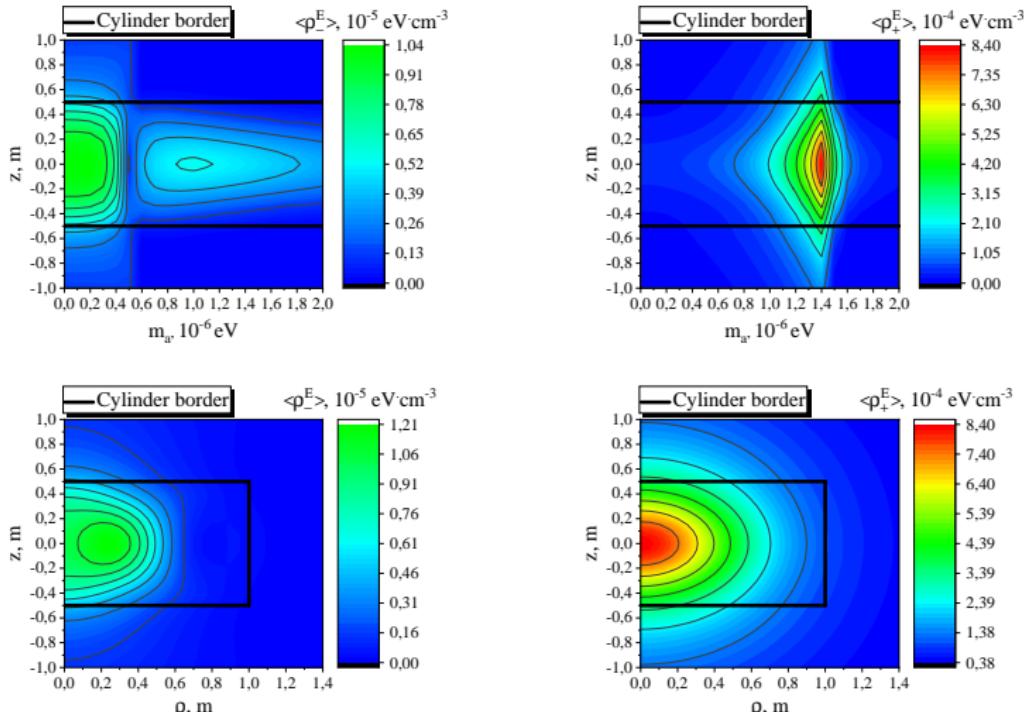


Figure 3 - The time-averaged energy density of ALPs for  $\text{TM}_{010} + \text{TE}_{011}$  pump modes



# Comparison of various combinations of pump modes

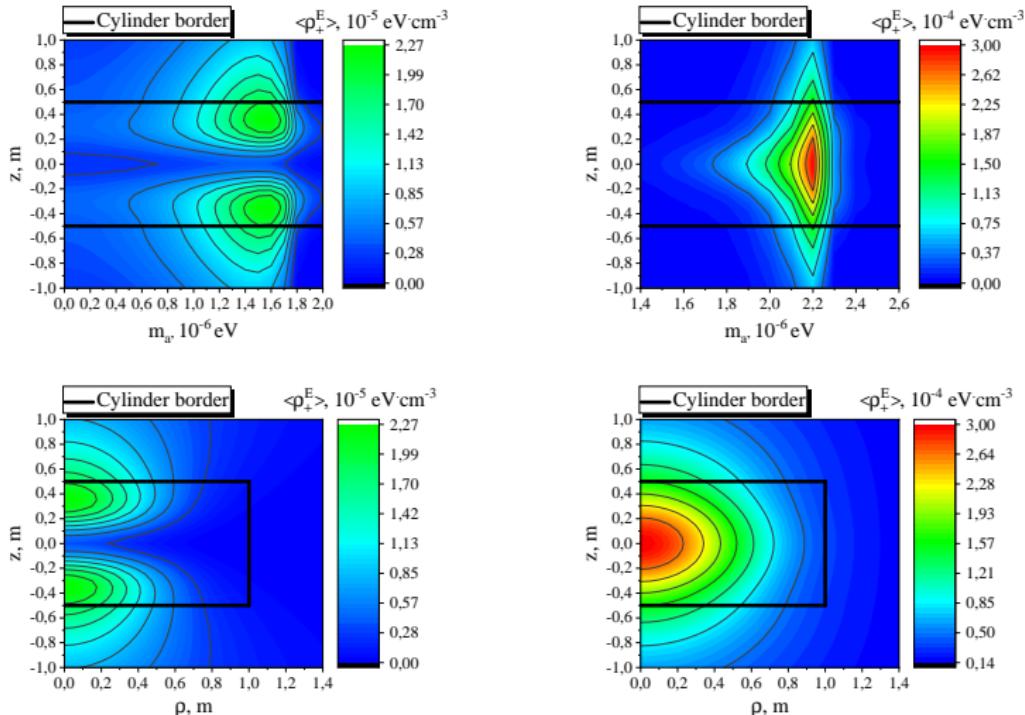


Figure 4 - The time-averaged energy density of ALPs for  $\text{TM}_{011} + \text{TE}_{011}$  and  $\text{TM}_{011} + \text{TE}_{012}$  pump modes



# Comparison of various geometry of cavity

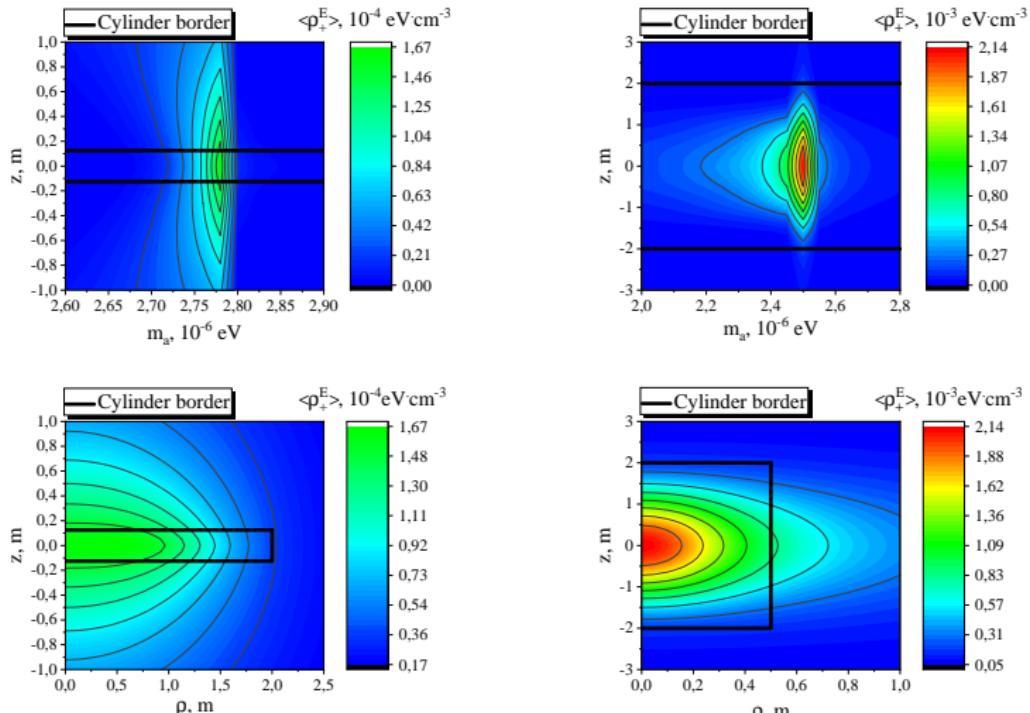


Figure 5 - The time-averaged energy density of ALPs for  $\text{TM}_{010} + \text{TE}_{011}$  pump modes for various cavity geometry



# Radiation pattern

- Consider the expression (5) for  $a_{\pm}(\vec{x}, t)$ :

$$a_{\pm}(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{g_{a\gamma\gamma}}{4\pi} \Re e \int_{V_{cav}} d^3x' \frac{F_{\pm}(\vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \cdot e^{ik_{\pm}|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'| - i\omega_{\pm}t}. \quad (5)$$

- In far distance where  $|\vec{x}| \gg |\vec{x}'|$  let us decompose integrand in the formula (5) by a small parameter  $\vec{x}'$ . Then we obtain the asymptotic formula:

$$a_{\pm}(\vec{x}, t) = -\frac{g_{a\gamma\gamma}}{4\pi|\vec{x}|} \Re e e^{ik_{\pm}|\vec{x}| - i\omega_{\pm}t} \int_{V_{cav}} d^3\vec{x}' F_{\pm}(\vec{x}') \cdot \exp \left[ -ik_{\pm} \left( \vec{x}' \cdot \frac{\vec{x}}{|\vec{x}'|} \right) \right] + o\left(\frac{1}{|\vec{x}|}\right). \quad (7)$$

- Definition of the function of radiation pattern:

$$f_{\pm}(\varphi, \theta) = \lim_{|\vec{x}| \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\langle a_{\pm}^2 \rangle_T}{\max_{\varphi, \theta} \langle a_{\pm}^2 \rangle_T}. \quad (8)$$



# Radiation pattern

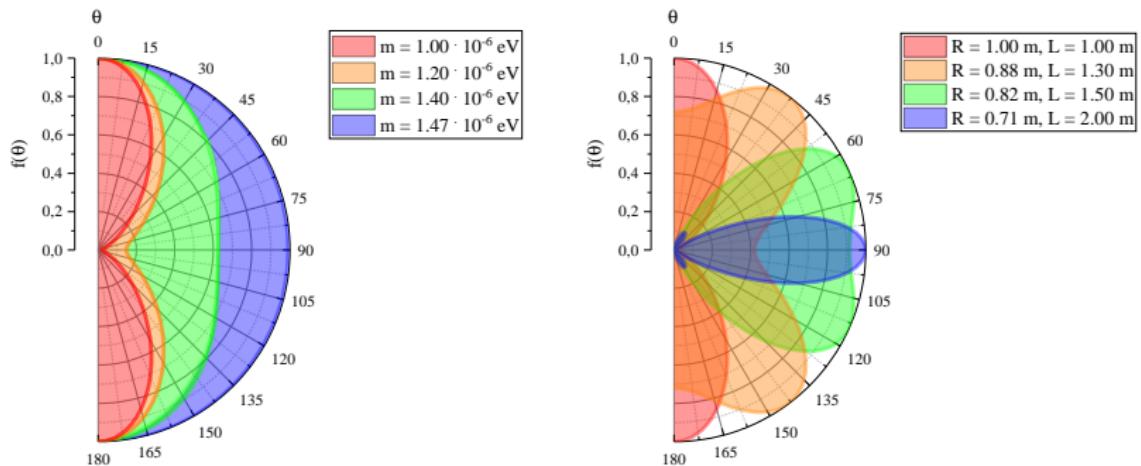


Figure 6 - Radiation pattern for  $\text{TM}_{010} + \text{TE}_{011}$  pump modes for various masses of ALPs and cylindrical cavity geometries



# ALPs detection

- The equation (3)

$$\partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = g_{a\gamma\gamma} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu a. \quad (3)$$

describes the generation of a signal electromagnetic field during the interaction of ALPs with the field  $\vec{B}_e$ .

- The decomposition of the signal electromagnetic field by the eigen-modes of the *detection* cavity is considered:

$$\vec{E}^{\text{sig}}(\vec{x}, t) = \sum_m \vec{\mathcal{E}}_m(\vec{x}) E_m^{\text{sig}}(t) . \quad (9)$$

- The number of produced photons of the signal mode can be estimated according to the following relation:

$$N_s \simeq \frac{1}{2\omega} \int_{2 \text{ cav}} d^3x \langle |\vec{E}^{\text{sig}}(\vec{x}, t)|^2 \rangle \simeq \frac{V_2}{2\omega} \langle |E_m^{\text{sig}}(t)|^2 \rangle . \quad (10)$$



# ALPs detection

- The average energy density of the signal mode is expressed with the following equation:

$$\langle |E_m^{\text{sig}}(t)|^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{g_{a\gamma\gamma}^2 E_0^2 Q B_c^z}{4\pi} \cdot \frac{V_{1\text{cav}}}{\Delta} \cdot \kappa_m^\pm \right]^2. \quad (11)$$

- Signal-to-noise ratio:

$$\text{SNR} \simeq \frac{N_s}{N_{\text{th}}} \frac{1}{2L_2 Q} \sqrt{\frac{t}{B}}. \quad (12)$$

- Finally, we obtain the estimate of coupling constant at which ALPs can be detected by considered experimental model:

$$g_{a\gamma\gamma} \simeq \left[ \frac{128\pi^2 T L_2 \Delta^2}{E_0^4 (B_c^z)^2 Q \kappa_m^2 V_1^2 V_2} \sqrt{\frac{B}{t}} \text{SNR} \right]^{1/4}. \quad (13)$$



# Experimental model sensitivity

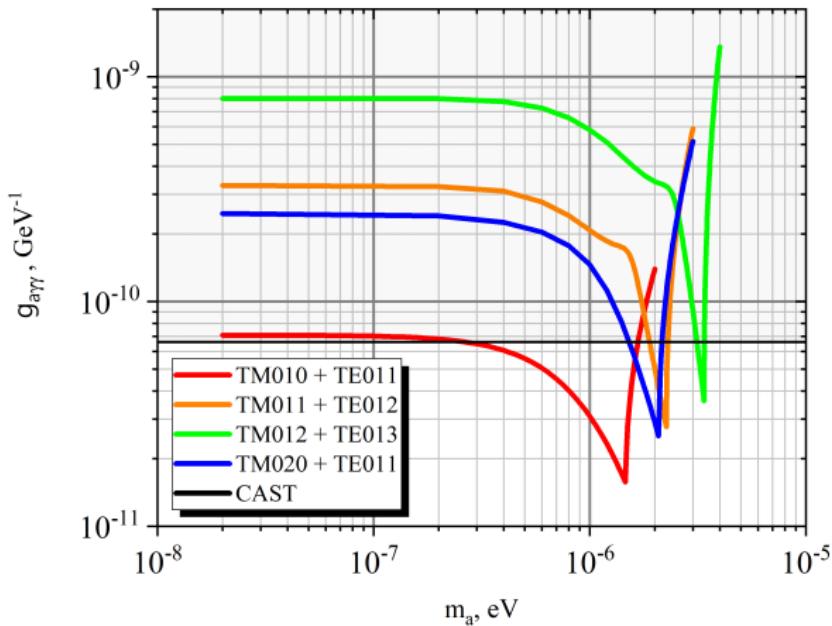


Figure 7 - Dependence of the coupling constant  $g_{a\gamma\gamma}$  on the mass of ALPs  $m_a$  for various pump modes of the *production* cavity ( $R_1 = 1$  m,  $L_1 = 1$  m) for the TM<sub>010</sub> mode of the *detecting* cavity



# Conclusions

- The time-average energy density  $\langle \rho_+^E \rangle_T$  dominates over the time-average energy density  $\langle \rho_-^E \rangle_T$ ;
- The time-average energy density  $\langle \rho_+^E \rangle_T$  has a «resonance» at ALPs with the mass of  $m_a \lesssim \omega_+$ ;
- The spacial distribution of the time-average energy density  $\langle \rho_+^E \rangle_T$  significantly depends on pump modes. The most optimal ones are modes satisfied following relation:  $n_1 = n_2$  and odd  $q_1 + q_2$ ;
- The radiation pattern of ALPs depends on cavity geometry and their momentum. The conditions under which a particular type of radiation pattern is realized are considered;
- The experimental model sensitivity corresponds to other experiments. The most optimal pump modes for lower mass of ALPs  $m_a$  of production cavity are  $\text{TM}_{010} + \text{TE}_{011}$ .



# References

- More detailed results are posted in the article:

D. Salnikov, P. Satunin, D. Kirpichnikov, M. Fitkevich,  
«Examining axion-like particles with superconducting radio-frequency cavity». J. High Energ. Phys. 2021, **143** (2021).  
doi:[10.1007/JHEP03\(2021\)143](https://doi.org/10.1007/JHEP03(2021)143) [arXiv:[2011.12871 \[hep-ph\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/2011.12871)];

- The program code is posted on the website:  
<https://github.com/dmitry-salnikov-msu/Axion>;
- For acceleration, parallel calculations were applied using the MPI software interface. The calculations were carried out on the INR RAS cluster: [http://cluster.inr.ac.ru/for\\_users.php](http://cluster.inr.ac.ru/for_users.php).



# Further research

- Further plans include the following research:
  - analysis of another configuration of the experimental model, in which the generating cavity has the shape of a «tube», and the detecting cavity is a cylindrical layer around it:

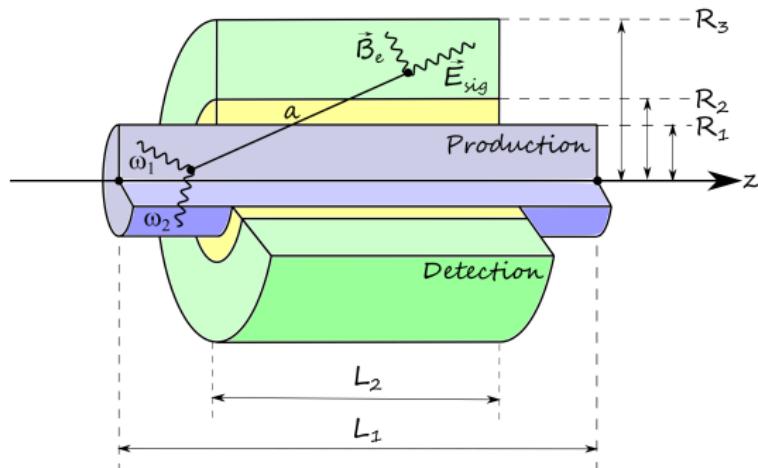


Figure 8 - Projected design of the experimental setup



## Further research

- optimization of the experiment: selection of the most suitable geometry of the generating and detecting cavities, their relative positions and the mode of generation of ALPs (ultra-relativistic or non-relativistic);
- description of the interaction of ALPs with the field  $\vec{B}_e$  in the detecting cavity in the QFT terms to obtain more accurate results;
- a study of another type of experiment in which the production and detection of ALPs occurs in a single cavity.



Thank you for attention!



# Source function

- The expressions for the electromagnetic field have the form:

$$\vec{E}_i(\vec{x}, t) = \sqrt{2} \operatorname{Re} \left[ \vec{\mathcal{E}}_i(\vec{x}, \omega_i) e^{-i\omega_i t} \right], \quad i = 1, 2; \quad (14)$$

$$\vec{B}_i(\vec{x}, t) = \sqrt{2} \operatorname{Re} \left[ \vec{\mathcal{B}}_i(\vec{x}, \omega_i) e^{-i\omega_i t} \right], \quad i = 1, 2; \quad (15)$$

where  $\vec{\mathcal{E}}_i(\vec{x}, \omega_i)$  and  $\vec{\mathcal{B}}_i(\vec{x}, \omega_i)$  - complex amplitudes of TM<sub>n<sub>pq</sub></sub> and TE<sub>n<sub>pq</sub></sub> pump modes

- For the scalar product  $(\vec{E} \cdot \vec{B})$  we obtain:

$$(\vec{E}(\vec{x}, t) \cdot \vec{B}(\vec{x}, t)) = \operatorname{Re} [F_+(\vec{x}) \cdot e^{-i\omega_+ t} + F_-(\vec{x}) \cdot e^{-i\omega_- t}], \quad (16)$$

where  $\omega_{\pm} = |\omega_1 \pm \omega_2|$ ,

$$F_+(\vec{x}) \equiv \vec{\mathcal{E}}_1(\vec{x}) \cdot \vec{\mathcal{B}}_2(\vec{x}) + \vec{\mathcal{E}}_2(\vec{x}) \cdot \vec{\mathcal{B}}_1(\vec{x}), \quad (17)$$

$$F_-(\vec{x}) \equiv \vec{\mathcal{E}}_1^*(\vec{x}) \cdot \vec{\mathcal{B}}_2(\vec{x}) + \vec{\mathcal{E}}_2^*(\vec{x}) \cdot \vec{\mathcal{B}}_1^*(\vec{x}). \quad (18)$$



# Exact form of TM<sub>*n*pq</sub> modes

- TM<sub>*n*pq</sub> modes are expressed in terms of the electric and magnetic fields as:

$$\mathcal{E}_z^{TMnpq} = \mathcal{E}_0 J_n \left( \frac{x_{np}}{R} \rho \right) \begin{Bmatrix} \sin n\varphi \\ \cos n\varphi \end{Bmatrix} \cos \left( \frac{q\pi}{L} z \right),$$

$$\mathcal{E}_\rho^{TMnpq} = \frac{-\mathcal{E}_0}{k_{npq}^2 - (q\pi/L)^2} \cdot \frac{q\pi}{L} \cdot \frac{x_{np}}{R} \cdot J'_n \left( \frac{x_{np}}{R} \rho \right) \begin{Bmatrix} \sin n\varphi \\ \cos n\varphi \end{Bmatrix} \sin \left( \frac{q\pi}{L} z \right),$$

$$\mathcal{E}_\varphi^{TMnpq} = \frac{-\mathcal{E}_0}{k_{npq}^2 - (q\pi/L)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\rho} \cdot \frac{nq\pi}{L} \cdot J_n \left( \frac{x_{np}}{R} \rho \right) \begin{Bmatrix} \cos n\varphi \\ -\sin n\varphi \end{Bmatrix} \sin \left( \frac{q\pi}{L} z \right),$$

$$\mathcal{B}_z^{TMnpq} = 0,$$

$$\mathcal{B}_\rho^{TMnpq} = \frac{-i\omega_{npq}^{TM} \mathcal{E}_0}{k_{npq}^2 - (q\pi/L)^2} \cdot \frac{n}{\rho} \cdot J_n \left( \frac{x_{np}}{R} \rho \right) \begin{Bmatrix} \cos n\varphi \\ -\sin n\varphi \end{Bmatrix} \cos \left( \frac{q\pi}{L} z \right),$$

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# Exact form of TE<sub>n</sub>pq modes

- TE<sub>n</sub>pq modes are expressed in terms of the electric and magnetic fields as:

$$\mathcal{B}_z^{TE npq} = \mathcal{B}_0 J_n \left( \frac{x'_{np}}{R} \rho \right) \begin{Bmatrix} \sin n\varphi \\ \cos n\varphi \end{Bmatrix} \sin \left( \frac{q\pi}{L} z \right),$$

$$\mathcal{B}_\rho^{TE npq} = \frac{\mathcal{B}_0}{k_{npq}^2 - (q\pi/L)^2} \cdot \frac{q\pi}{L} \cdot \frac{x'_{np}}{R} \cdot J'_n \left( \frac{x'_{np}}{R} \rho \right) \begin{Bmatrix} \sin n\varphi \\ \cos n\varphi \end{Bmatrix} \cos \left( \frac{q\pi}{L} z \right),$$

$$\mathcal{B}_\varphi^{TE npq} = \frac{\mathcal{B}_0}{k_{npq}^2 - (q\pi/L)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\rho} \cdot \frac{nq\pi}{L} \cdot J_n \left( \frac{x'_{np}}{R} \rho \right) \begin{Bmatrix} \cos n\varphi \\ -\sin n\varphi \end{Bmatrix} \cos \left( \frac{q\pi}{L} z \right),$$

$$\mathcal{E}_z^{TE npq} = 0,$$

$$\mathcal{E}_\rho^{TE npq} = \frac{i\omega_{npq}^{TE} \mathcal{B}_0}{k_{npq}^2 - (q\pi/L)^2} \cdot \frac{n}{\rho} \cdot J_n \left( \frac{x'_{np}}{R} \rho \right) \begin{Bmatrix} \cos n\varphi \\ -\sin n\varphi \end{Bmatrix} \sin \left( \frac{q\pi}{L} z \right),$$

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# Geometrical form-factor of $\kappa_m^\pm$

- Recall the expression for the time-average energy density of the signal electromagnetic mode:

$$\langle |E_m^{\text{sig}}(t)|^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{g_{a\gamma\gamma}^2 E_0^2 Q B_c^z}{4\pi} \cdot \frac{V_{1\text{cav}}}{\Delta} \cdot \kappa_m^\pm \right]^2. \quad (11)$$

- The geometrical form-factor of  $\kappa_m^\pm$  is

$$\kappa_m^\pm = \sqrt{(\kappa_{m\cos}^\pm)^2 + (\kappa_{m\sin}^\pm)^2}, \quad (19)$$

where

$$\kappa_{m\sin}^{\pm\cos} = \left( \alpha_{m\sin}^{\pm\cos} + \frac{\beta_{m\sin}^{\pm\cos}}{\omega_\pm^2 L_1^2} \right). \quad (20)$$



# Geometrical form-factor of $\kappa_m^\pm$

- The geometrical form-factors of  $\alpha_{m\sin}^{\pm \cos}$  and  $\beta_{m\sin}^{\pm \cos}$  have the form:

$$\alpha_{m\sin}^{\pm \cos} = \int_{2 \text{ cav}} \frac{d^3x}{V_2} \mathcal{E}_m^z(\vec{x}) \int_{1 \text{ cav}} \frac{d^3x'}{V_1} \frac{|F_\pm(\vec{x}')|}{E_0^2} \cdot \frac{\Delta}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \cos(k_\pm |\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) \\ \sin(k_\pm |\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) \end{array} \right\},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{m\sin}^{\pm \cos} &= \int_{2 \text{ cav}} \frac{d^3x}{V_2} \mathcal{E}_m^z(\vec{x}) \int_{1 \text{ cav}} \frac{d^3x'}{V_1} \frac{\partial_{z'}^2 |F_\pm(\vec{x}')|}{E_0^2} \cdot \frac{\Delta \cdot L_1^2}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \cos(k_\pm |\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) \\ \sin(k_\pm |\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) \end{array} \right\} - \\ &- \int_{2 \text{ cav}} \frac{d^3x}{V_2} \mathcal{E}_m^z(\vec{x}) \int_{1 \text{ S}} \frac{\rho' d\rho' d\varphi'}{V_1} \frac{\partial_{z'} |F_\pm(\vec{x}')|}{E_0^2} \cdot \frac{\Delta \cdot L_1^2}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \cos(k_\pm |\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) \\ \sin(k_\pm |\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|) \end{array} \right\} \Big|_{z'=0}^{z'=L}. \end{aligned}$$



# Modelling of axion field

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$$R_1 = 1 \text{ m}, \ L_1 = 1 \text{ m}, \ \omega_+ = 14.7 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV}.$$



# Modelling of axion field

$$m = 12 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV},$$

$$R_1 = 1 \text{ m}, \ L_1 = 1 \text{ m}, \ \omega_+ = 14.7 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV}.$$



# Modelling of axion field

$$m = 14 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV},$$

$$R_1 = 1 \text{ m}, \ L_1 = 1 \text{ m}, \ \omega_+ = 14.7 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV}.$$



# Modelling of axion field

$$m = 14.7 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV},$$

$$R_1 = 1 \text{ m}, \ L_1 = 1 \text{ m}, \ \omega_+ = 14.7 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV}.$$



# Modelling of axion field

$$m = 10 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV},$$

$$R_1 = 0.5 \text{ m}, \ L_1 = 4 \text{ m}, \ \omega_+ = 25.0 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV}.$$



# Modelling of axion field

$$m = 10 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV},$$

$$R_1 = 0.71 \text{ m}, \ L_1 = 2 \text{ m}, \ \omega_+ = 18.0 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV}.$$



# Modelling of axion field

$$m = 10 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV},$$

$$R_1 = 0.82 \text{ m}, \ L_1 = 1.5 \text{ m}, \ \omega_+ = 16.1 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV}.$$



# Modelling of axion field

$$m = 10 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV},$$

$$R_1 = 2 \text{ m}, \ L_1 = 0.25 \text{ m}, \ \omega_+ = 27.8 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ eV}.$$

