

Axion Landscape

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High- and Low-Energy Frontiers in Particle Physics



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Bestiarium of Low-Mass Bosons



Weakly Interacting Sub-eV Particles (WISPs)

• Axions (1 parameter family $m_a f_a \sim m_\pi f_\pi$) Solves strong CP problem Could be dark matter

String axions

(almost massless pseudoscalars in string theory) One of them may solve CP problem

• Axion-like particles (ALPs) Generic two-photon vertex, could be dark matter (2 parameters m_a and $g_{a\gamma}$)

Hidden photons

Low-mass gauge bosons from U'(1)(kinetic mixing parameter χ and mass $m_{\gamma'}$)

Chameleons

Scalars in certain models of scalar-tensor gravity Motivated by dark energy Environment-dependent properties String theory: Moduli and Axions

String theory needs Extra Dimensions

Must compactify

 Shape and size deformations correspond to fields: Moduli (WISPs) and Axions
 Connected to the fundamental scale, here string scale



WISP candidates

[Joerg Jaekel]

CP Violation in Particle Physics

Discrete symmetries in particle physics

- C Charge conjugation, transforms particles to antiparticles violated by weak interactions
- P Parity, changes left-handedness to right-handedness violated by weak interactions
- Time reversal, changes direction of motion (forward to backward)
- CPT exactly conserved in quantum field theory
- CP conserved by all gauge interactions violated by three-flavor quark mixing matrix



Physics Nobel Prize 2008

- All measured CP-violating effects derive from a single phase in the quark mass matrix (Kobayashi-Maskawa phase), i.e. from complex Yukawa couplings
- Cosmic matter-antimatter asymmetry requires new ingredients

The CP Problem of Strong Interactions

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \sum_{q} \bar{\psi}_{q} (iD - m_{q}e^{i\theta_{q}})\psi_{q} - \frac{1}{4}G_{\mu\nu a}G_{a}^{\mu\nu} - \Theta \frac{\alpha_{s}}{8\pi} \frac{CP - odd}{quantity} \sim \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

Remove phase of mass term by chiral transformation of quark fields

$$\psi_q \to e^{-i\gamma_5 \theta_q/2} \psi_q$$
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \sum_q \bar{\psi}_q (iD - m_q) \psi_q - \frac{1}{4} GG - \underbrace{\left(\Theta - \arg \det M_q\right)}_{-\pi \le \overline{\Theta} \le +\pi} \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} G\tilde{G}$$

♦ $\overline{\Theta}$ can be traded between quark phases and $G\tilde{G}$ term

- ✤ No physical impact if at least one $m_q = 0$
- Induces a large neutron electric dipole moment (a T-violating quantity)

Experimental limits:
$$|\overline{\Theta}| < 10^{-11}$$
 Why so small?

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Strong CP Problem



- CP conserving vacuum has $\Theta = 0$ (Vafa and Witten 1984)
- QCD could have any $-\pi \leq \Theta \leq +\pi$, is "constant of nature"
- Energy can not be minimized: Θ not dynamical
 Peccei-Quinn solution:
 Make Θ dynamical, let system relax to lowest energy

37 Years of Axions

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS 23 JANUARY 1978 VOLUME 40, NUMBER 4 A New Light Boson? Steven Weinberg Lyman Laboratory of Physics, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138 (Received 6 December 1977) It is pointed out that a global U(1) symmetry, that has been introduced in order to preserve the parity and time-reversal invariance of strong interactions despite the effects of instantons, would lead to a neutral pseudoscalar boson, the "axion," with mass roughly of order 100 keV to 1 MeV. Experimental implications are discussed. VOLUME 40, NUMBER 5 PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS 30 JANUARY 1978 Problem of Strong P and T Invariance in the Presence of Instantons F. Wilczek^(a) Columbia University, New York, New York 10027, and The Institute for Advanced Studies, Princeton, New Jersey 08540^(b) (Received 29 November 1977) The requirement that P and T be approximately conserved in the color gauge theory of strong interactions without arbitrary adjustment of parameters is analyzed. Several possibilities are identified, including one which would give a remarkable new kind of very light, long-lived pseudoscalar boson. a certain class of theories^{4,5,7} the parameter θ is One of the main advantages of the color gauge physically meaningless,^{4,5} or dynamically detertheory of strong interactions is that so many of the observed symmetries of strong interactions mined.⁷ In this case, if the strong interaction conserves P and T, we shall say the conservaseem to follow automatically as a consequence of the gauge principle and renormalizability—P, T,

tion is automatic.

I regard a theory of type (i) as very unattrac-

C, flavor conservation, the $3 \oplus 3^*$ structure of chi-

The Cleansing Axion









"I named them after a laundry detergent, since they clean up a problem with an axial current." (Nobel lecture 2004)

Phenomenological Axion Properties

Gluon coupling (generic), defines normalization of axion scale f_a

$$\mathcal{L}_{aG} = \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} \frac{a}{f_a} G \tilde{G} \qquad a \cdots g_a \qquad g_a \qquad$$

Mass (generic) depends on up/down quark masses

$$m_a = rac{\sqrt{m_u m_d}}{m_u + m_d} \, rac{m_\pi}{f_\pi f_a} pprox rac{6 \, \mu \mathrm{eV}}{f_a / 10^{12} \, \mathrm{GeV}}$$

Axion-photon coupling (model dependent) Generic from $a - \pi - \eta$ mixing



Axion Bounds and Searches



Let there be light

Experimental Tests of the "Invisible" Axion

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Experiments are proposed which address the question of the existence of the "invisible" axion for the whole allowed range of the axion decay constant. These experiments exploit the coupling of the axion to the electromagnetic field, axion emission by the sun, and/or the cosmological abundance and presumed clustering of axions in the halo of our galaxy.

Primakoff effect:

Axion-photon transition in external static E or B field (Originally discussed for π^0 by Henri Primakoff 1951)

Two-photon vertex generic for π^0 , η , axion-like particles (ALPs), gravitons

Pierre Sikivie:

Macroscopic B-field can provide a large coherent transition rate over a big volume (low-mass axions)

- Axion helioscope: Look at the Sun through a dipole magnet
- Axion haloscope: Look for dark-matter axions with a microwave resonant cavity

Search for Solar Axions





Axion Helioscope (Sikivie 1983)



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- Tokyo Axion Helioscope ("Sumico") (Results since 1998, up again 2008)
- CERN Axion Solar Telescope (CAST) (Data since 2003)

Alternative technique: Bragg conversion in crystal Experimental limits on solar axion flux from dark-matter experiments (SOLAX, COSME, DAMA, CDMS ...)

Let's point a magnet at the sun...



...and look for X-Rays!

By CAST student Sebastian Baum













Any Light Particle Search II (ALPS-II) at DESY



Shining TeV Gamma Rays through the Universe



Figure from a talk by Manuel Meyer (Univ. Hamburg)

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Galactic Globular Clusters



New ALP Limit from Globular Clusters



Ayala, Dominguez, Giannotti, Mirizzi & Straniero, arXiv:1406.6053

Axion and ALP Dark Matter

Creation of Cosmological Axions by Re-alignment

$T \sim f_a$ (very early universe)

- U_{PQ}(1) spontaneously broken
- Higgs field settles in "Mexican hat"
- Axion field sits fixed at $a_i = \Theta_i f_a$



$T \sim 1 \text{ GeV} (H \sim 10^{-9} \text{ eV})$

- Axion mass turns on quickly by thermal instanton gas
- Field starts oscillating when $m_a \gtrsim 3H$
- Classical field oscillations (axions at rest)



Axions are born as nonrelativistic, classical field oscillations Very small mass, yet cold dark matter

Axion Cosmology in PLB 120 (1983)

THE NOT-SO-HARMLESS AXION

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Willy FISCHLER Department of Physi	A COSMOLOGICAL BOUND ON THE INVISIBLE AXION L.F. ABBOTT ¹ Physics Department, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA 02254, USA	
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		Received 10 September 1982 We identify a new cosmological problem for models which solve the strong <i>CP</i> puzzle with an invisible axion, unrelated to the domain wall problem. Because the axion is very weakly coupled, the energy density stored in the oscillations of the classical axion field does not dissipate rapidly; it exceeds the critical density needed to close the universe unless $f_a \leq 10^{12}$ GeV, where f_a is the axion decay constant. If this bound is saturated, axions may comprise the dark matter of the universe.

WISPy Cold Dark Matter



Axion Dark Matter Driving Oscillators



Oscillating axion field (DM) \rightarrow Oscillating Θ term

- Drives oscillating neutron EDM
- Drives oscillating E-field in microwave cavity w/ B-field

Assume axions are the galactic dark matter: $\rho_a \sim 300 \text{ MeV/cm}^3$

$$\rho_a = m_a^2 \Phi_a^2 = m_a^2 (\Theta f_a)^2 \sim \Theta^2 (m_\pi f_\pi)^2 \sim \Theta^2 \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^4$$

Independently of f_a expect
 $\Theta(t) = a(t)/f_a \sim 3 \times 10^{-19} \cos(m_a t)$

Expect time-varying neutron EDM, MHz frequency for $f_a \sim 10^{16}$ GeV

$$d_n \sim \frac{e}{2m_n} \frac{m_q}{m_N} \Theta \sim 3 \times 10^{-34} e\text{-cm } \cos(m_a t)$$

8 orders of magnitude below limit on static EDM, but oscillates! \rightarrow CASPEr Project

Cold Axion Populations



Scenario 1

- Cosmic inflation first
- PQ symmetry breaking at $T \sim f_a$
- Every causal patch has different random Θ_i
- Topological defects at interfaces
- Axion dark matter from
 - average re-alignment
 - cosmic-string (CS) & domain-wall (DW) decay

Scenario 2

- Cosmic inflation after PQ symmetry breaking
- All axions from re-alignment of one random Θ_i in our patch of the universe
- Allows large f_a if $\Theta_i \ll 1$ ("anthropic" case)

$$\Omega_a h^2 = 0.20 \ \Theta_i^2 \ \left(\frac{f_a}{10^{12} \text{GeV}}\right)^{1.184} = 0.11 \ \Theta_i^2 \left(\frac{10 \ \mu\text{eV}}{m_a}\right)^{1.184}$$

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Isocurvature Constraints



Visinelli & Gondolo, arXiv:1403.4594

Axion Production by Domain Wall and String Decay



Recent numerical studies of collapse of string-domain wall system

$$\Omega_a h^2 = (8.4 \pm 3.0) \left(\frac{f_a}{10^{12} \text{GeV}}\right)^{1.19} \\ \times \left(\frac{g_{*,1}}{70}\right)^{-0.41} \left(\frac{\Lambda}{400 \text{ MeV}}\right)$$

Implies a CDM axion mass of

 $m_a \sim 300 \,\mu \mathrm{eV}$

Hiramatsu, Kawasaki, Saikawa & Sekiguchi, arXiv:1202.5851 (2012)

More recently by the same group $m_a \sim 90-140~\mu {
m eV}$ Kawasaki, Saikawa & Sekiguchi,

arXiv:1412.0789 (PRD 2015)

Axion Dark Matter Density



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Axion dark matter from topological defects

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Diversity of scenarios for cosmic axion production depending on domain-wall index N_{DW} and phase parameter δ of the bias term

Dark Energy ~70% (Cosmological Constant)



WITH TRA CLEANING POWER

 Philed enzymes
 Grease and oil dissolvers
 Fabric whitener and brightener

THE EVELOPERATION T.

Ordinary Matter ~5% (of this only about 10% luminous)

Dark Matter ~25% Neutrinos 0.1–2%

Historical Neutrino Dark Matter Lessons

Early 1980s

- If neutrinos have mass, probably they are dark matter ($m_{
 m
 u}$ \sim 10 eV) ("Neutrinos are known to exist", only SM candidate)
- Detection of $m_{
 u_{
 m
 ho}}\sim 30~{
 m eV}$ at ITEP, Moscow (PRL 58:2019, 1987)
- Dedicated oscillation experiments (NOMAD 1995–1998 and CHORUS 1994–1997)

Status 2015

- 70% of gravitating "mass" is dark energy
- Dark matter must be mostly "cold" (structure formation)
- Neutrinos have sub-eV masses (oscillations, cosmo limits)
- Sub-dominant dark matter component

History does not always repeat itself, but ...

- If axions (or similar) exist, MUST be ALL of dark matter?



Landscape of Axion Searches

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New macroscopic forces?

J. E. Moody^{*} and Frank Wilczek Institute for Theoretical Physics, University of California, Santa Barbara, California 93106 (Received 17 January 1984)

The forces mediated by spin-0 bosons are described, along with the existing experimental limits. The mass and couplings of the invisible axion are derived, followed by suggestions for experiments to detect axions via the macroscopic forces they mediate. In particular, novel tests of the T-violating axion monopole-dipole forces are proposed.





Tests of Newton's law & equivalence principle: Scalar axion coupling $(g_s^N)^2$

Torsion balance using polarized electron spins Axion couplings $g_s^N g_p^e$ T-violating force



Spin-spin forces hard to measure Axion couplings $(g_s^e)^2$

Resonantly Detecting Axion-Mediated Forces with Nuclear Magnetic Resonance

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FIG. 1 (color online). A source mass consisting of a segmented cylinder with *n* sections is rotated around its axis of symmetry at frequency ω_{rot} , which results in a resonance between the frequency $\omega = n\omega_{\text{rot}}$ at which the segments pass near the sample and the resonant frequency $2\vec{\mu}_N \cdot \vec{B}_{\text{ext}}/\hbar$ of the NMR sample. Superconducting cylinders screen the NMR sample from the source mass and (not shown) the setup from the environment.



FIG. 2 (color online). Projected reach for monopole-dipole axion mediated interactions.

ARIADNE: Axion Resonant InterAction DetectioN Experiment A.Geraci, A.Arvanitaki, A.Kapitulnik, Chen-Yu Liu, J.Long, Y.Semertzidis, M.Snow (to be supported by NSF and/or DoE?)

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New Ideas for Axion Detection



[Arvanitaki 2015]

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