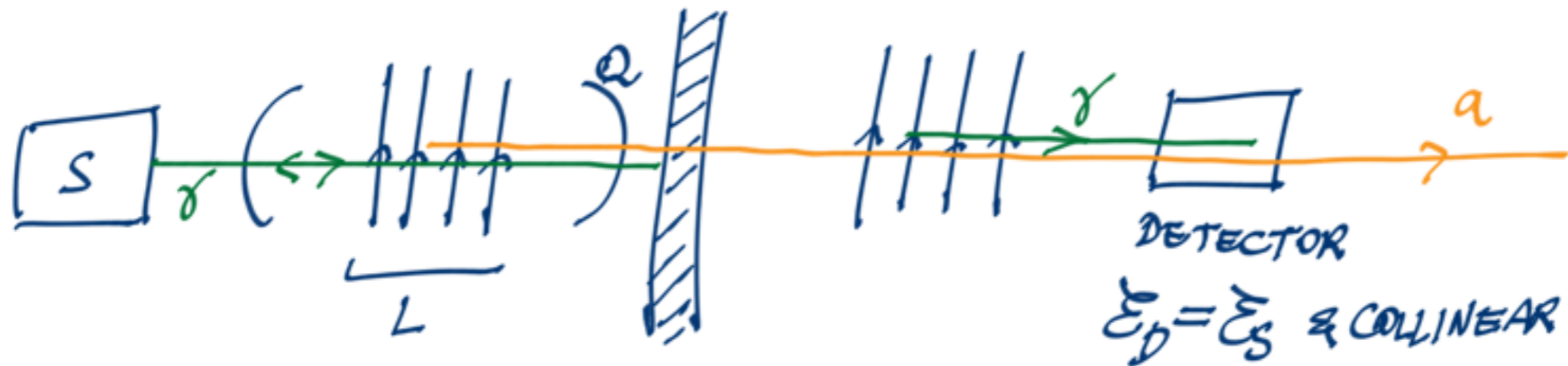


# Axion-like particles with sub-THz photons

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# LIGHT - SHINING-THROUGH - WALL



$$\dot{N}_e \propto \dot{N}_\gamma P_{\gamma \rightarrow a} P_{a \rightarrow \gamma}$$

$$\propto \dot{N}_\gamma (G \cdot H \cdot L)^4 \quad \text{where } G \sim 1/f$$

with  $G \lesssim 10^{-10} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$  (suggested by CAST)

$$(GHL)^4 \lesssim 10^{-35}$$

MEGAWATT CYCLOTRON SOURCES can produce (@30GHz)

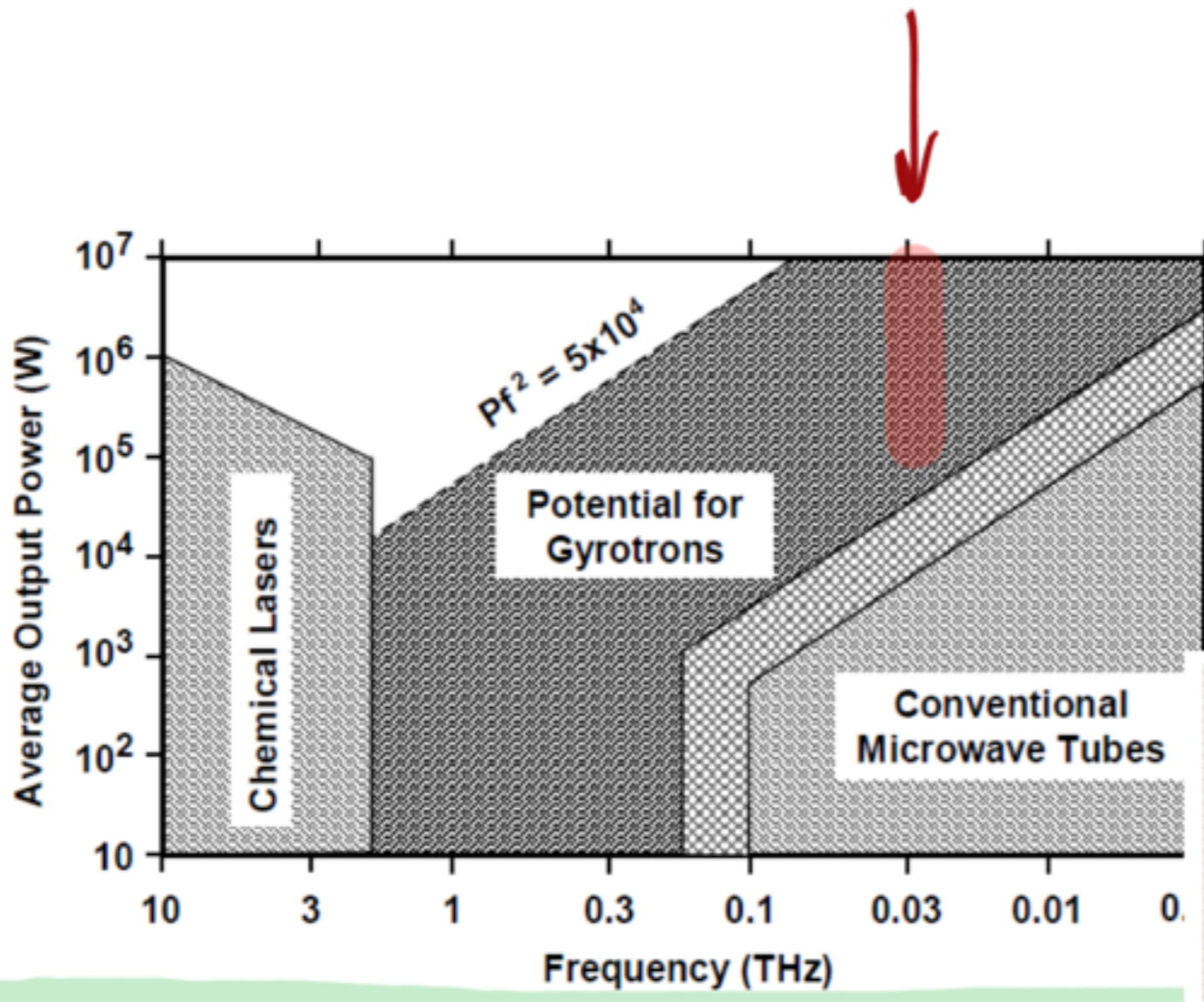
$$\dot{N}_\gamma \approx 10^{28} / \text{sec}$$

w/ continuous emission.

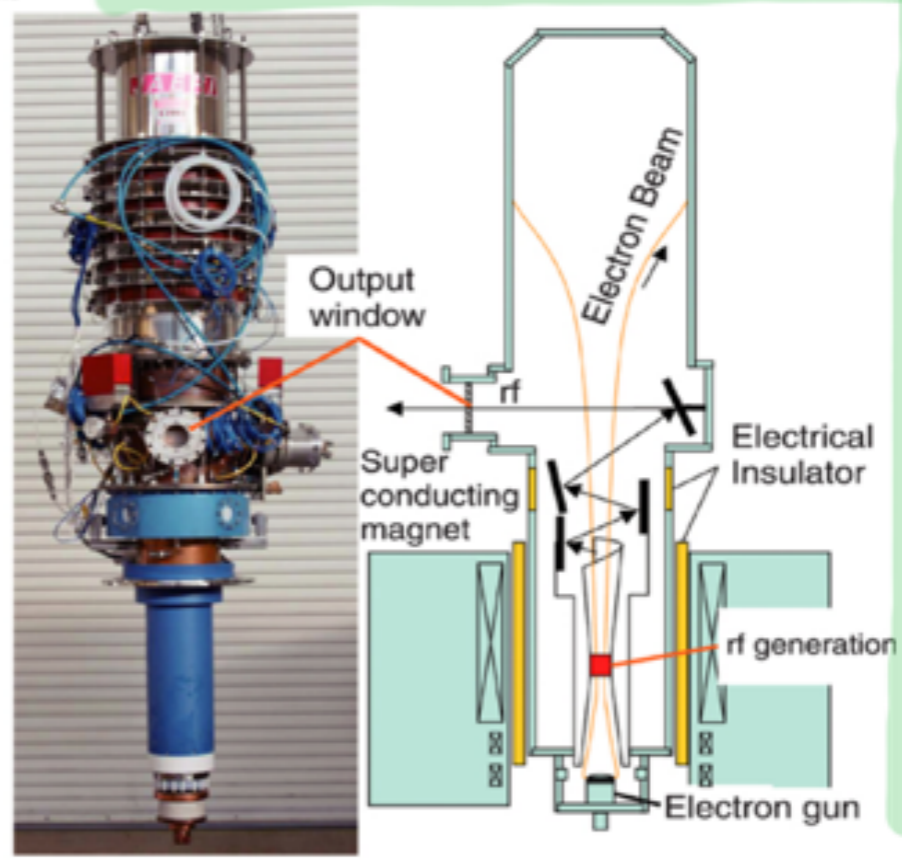
$$(10 \text{ LSW events/yr}) \times Q (\approx 10^4 \div 10^5 \text{ for MW})$$

# Gyrotrons

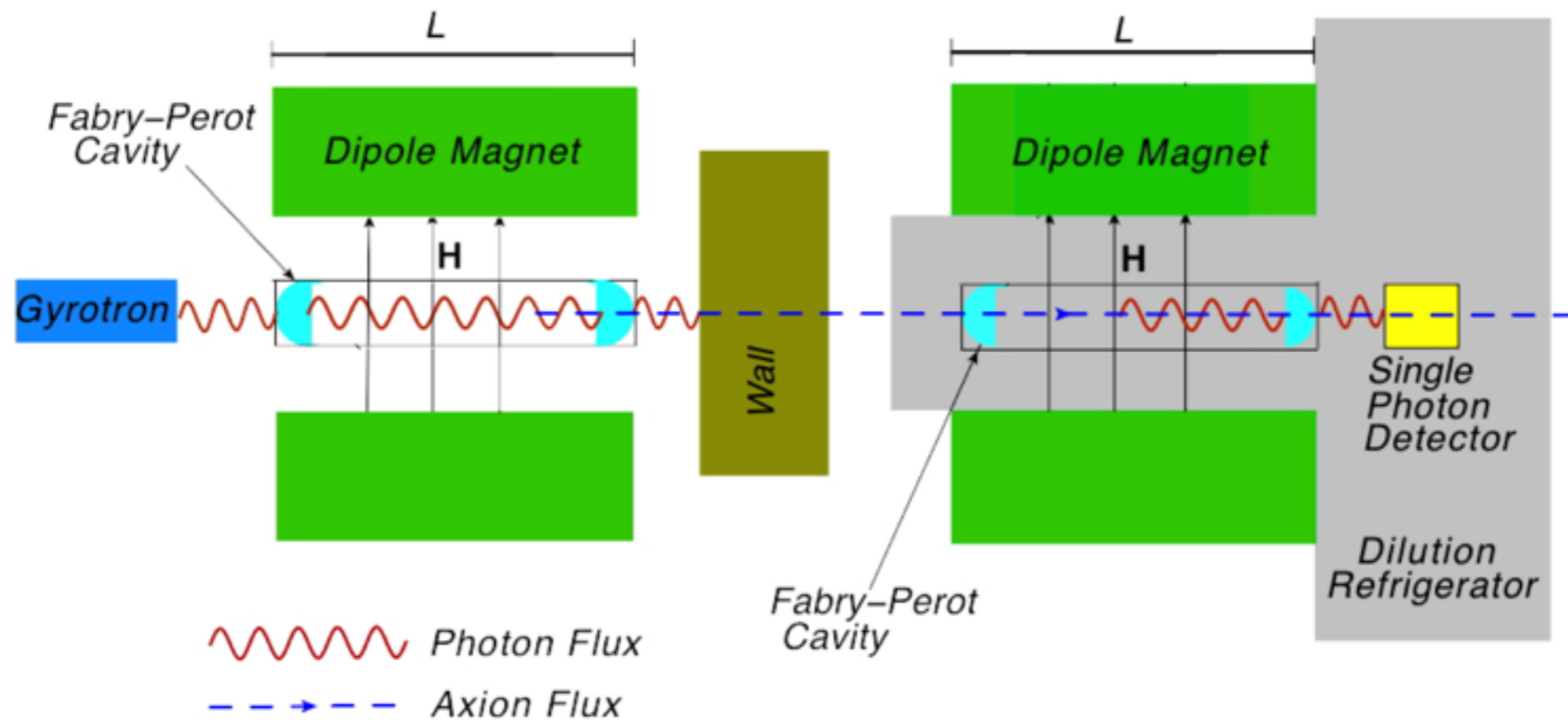
CW highly  
designed.



30 GHz  
= 20 μeV



# STAX scheme



100 kW STAX I ( $\dot{N}_\gamma = 10^{27} \gamma/s$ )  
 1 MW STAX II

10 mK

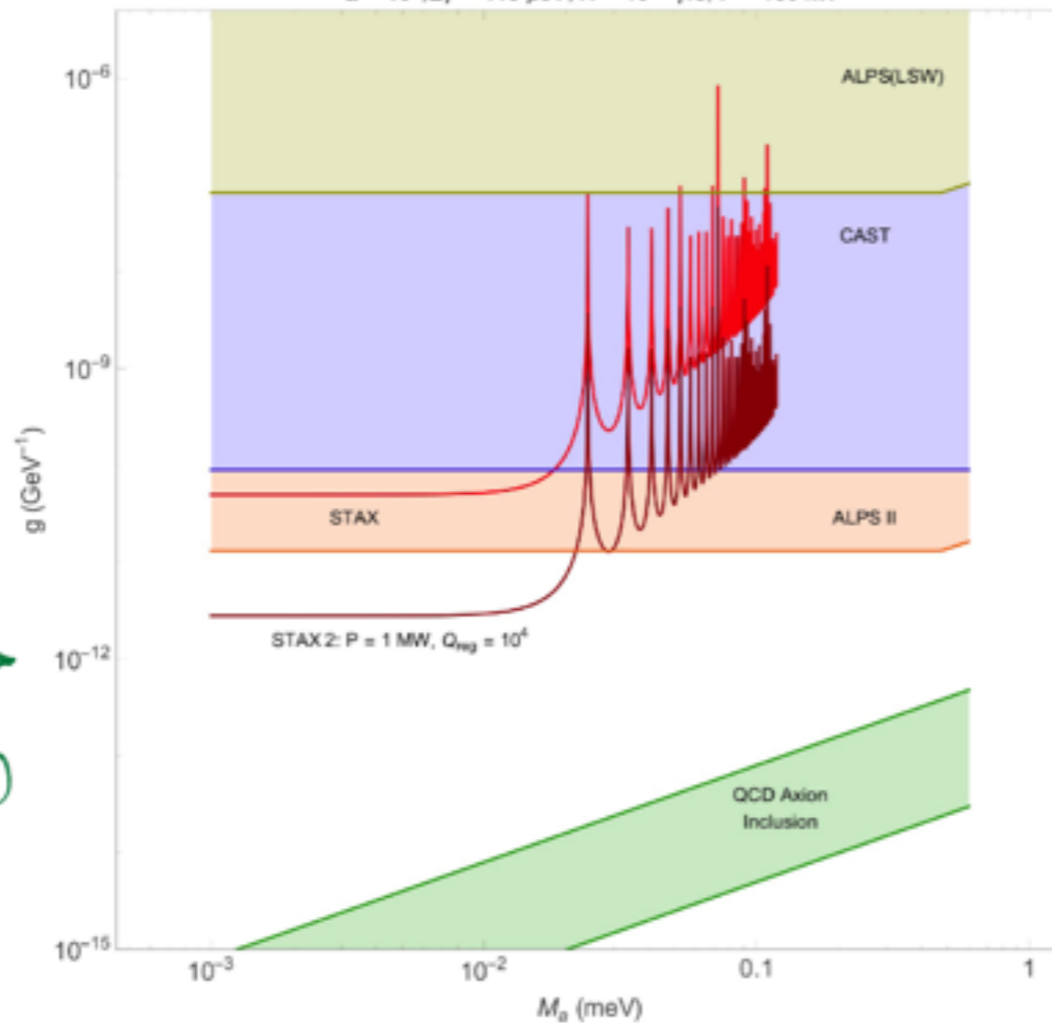


# POTENTIAL REACH

$$P = G^2 H^2 \frac{\sin^2(qL/2)}{q^2} \frac{\tilde{\epsilon}_\gamma}{1/2 + \sqrt{\tilde{\epsilon}_\gamma^2 - m_a^2}}$$

$$q = \tilde{\epsilon}_\gamma - \sqrt{\tilde{\epsilon}_\gamma^2 - m_a^2} - 1/2L$$

Exclusion Plot Axion-Like Particle.  
 STAX: Time:  $2.6 \cdot 10^8$  s, H = 15 T, Lx = 0.5 m  
 $Q = 10^4$ ,  $E_\gamma = 118 \mu\text{eV}$ ,  $\dot{N} = 10^{27}$  y/s, P = 100 kW



EXCLUSION @ 90% CL

IN CASE OF A NULL RESULT  
 FOR AXIONS

$$m_a \lesssim 0.02 \text{ meV}$$

ONE MONTH EXPOSURE  
 AND ZERO DARK COUNTS

STAX @ 100 kW

STAX2 @ 1 MW

+ REG. R.

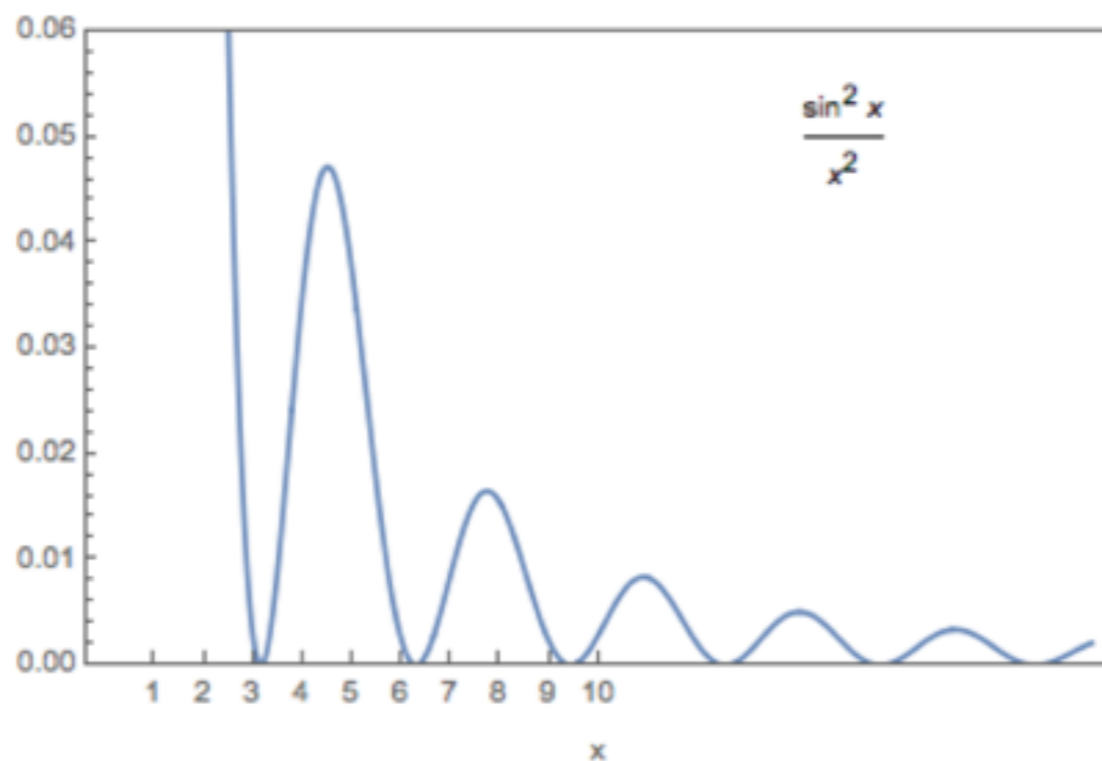
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# OSCILLATIONS

$$\frac{\sin^2 qL/2}{q^2} = \frac{L^2}{4} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2}, \quad L = 50 \text{ cm}$$

SEARCH:  $m_a = 0.01 \text{ meV}$



$\Sigma \sigma$	$q$	$x$
$20 \mu\text{eV}$	$2.5 \mu\text{eV}$	3
1 eV	$5 \times 10^{-5} \mu\text{eV}$	$10^{-4}$

# OSCILLATIONS

Occur when  $qL \ll 1$  fails -

$$(\epsilon_\gamma \gg m_a) \quad q \approx \frac{m_a^2}{2\epsilon_\gamma} \longrightarrow \frac{(m_a - m_\gamma^*)^2}{2\epsilon_\gamma}$$

Shifts the onset of oscillations to higher  $m_a$  values.

## Example (CAST)

Introduce He gas in the cavity,  $\delta$  will have an effective velocity  $c/n(\omega) = |\vec{k}|/\epsilon_\gamma$

$\Rightarrow m_\gamma^* > 0$ . N.B. CAST uses X-rays.

# FABRY-PEROT CAVITIES

$$P \sim (QH)^4 \cdot L^2 \cdot L^2$$

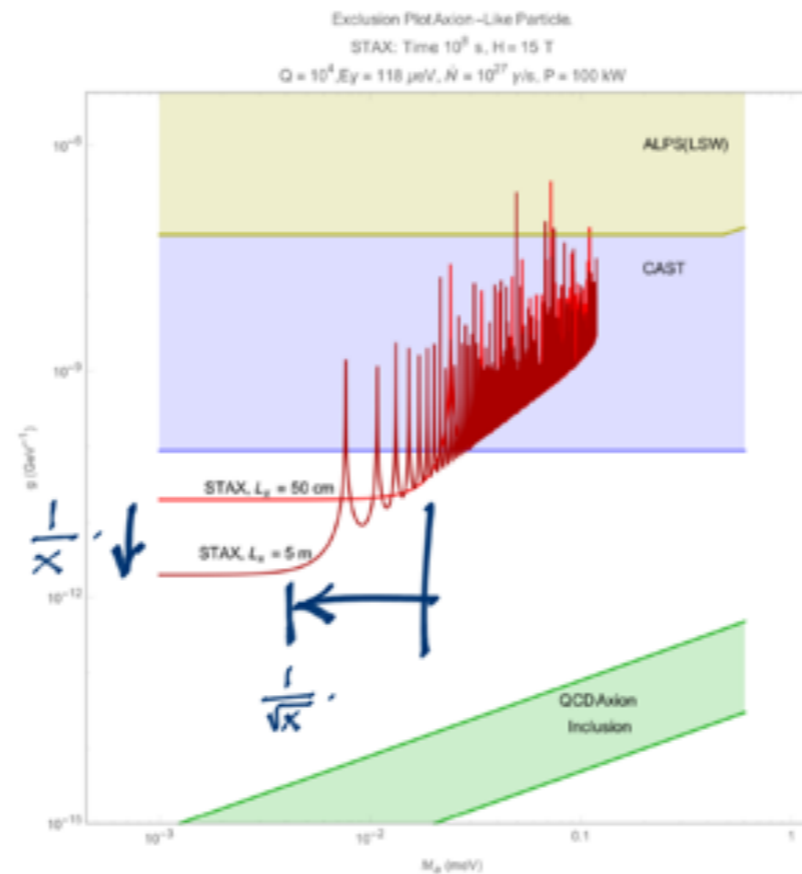
$$\downarrow$$

$$QL^2 \quad (Q \sim 10^5 \text{ in MW})$$

THIS ALLOWS TO EXPLORE **Q-VALUES** SMALLER BY  $Q^{-1/4}$

Someone suggests  $Q^{-1/2}$  by setting a 'regeneration' cavity.

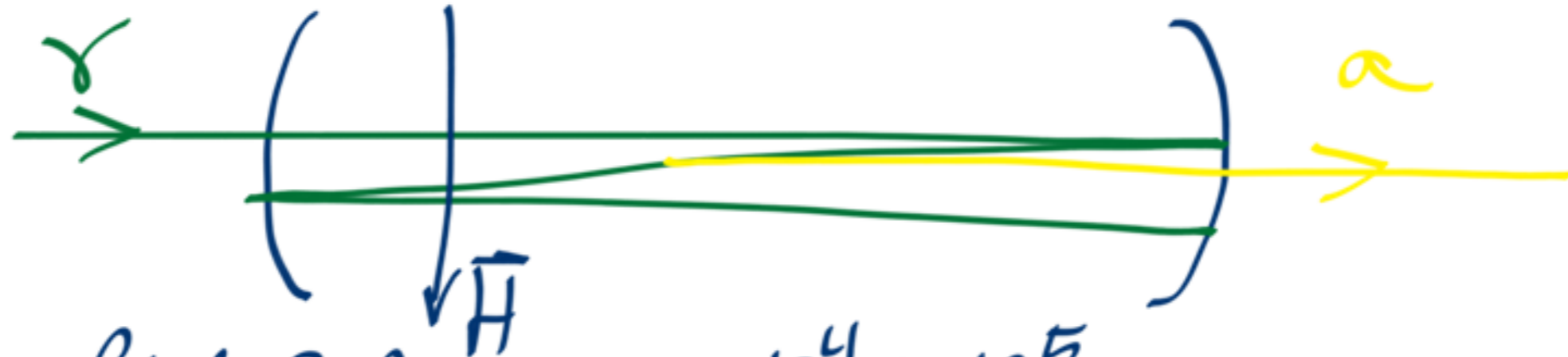
MAKING L LONGER MEANS THAT THE ONSET OF OSCILLATIONS  
SHIFTS TO SMALLER VALUES BY  $1/\sqrt{x}$  IF  $L \rightarrow xL$





# Some Numbers

Improvements are possible w/ FP cavities

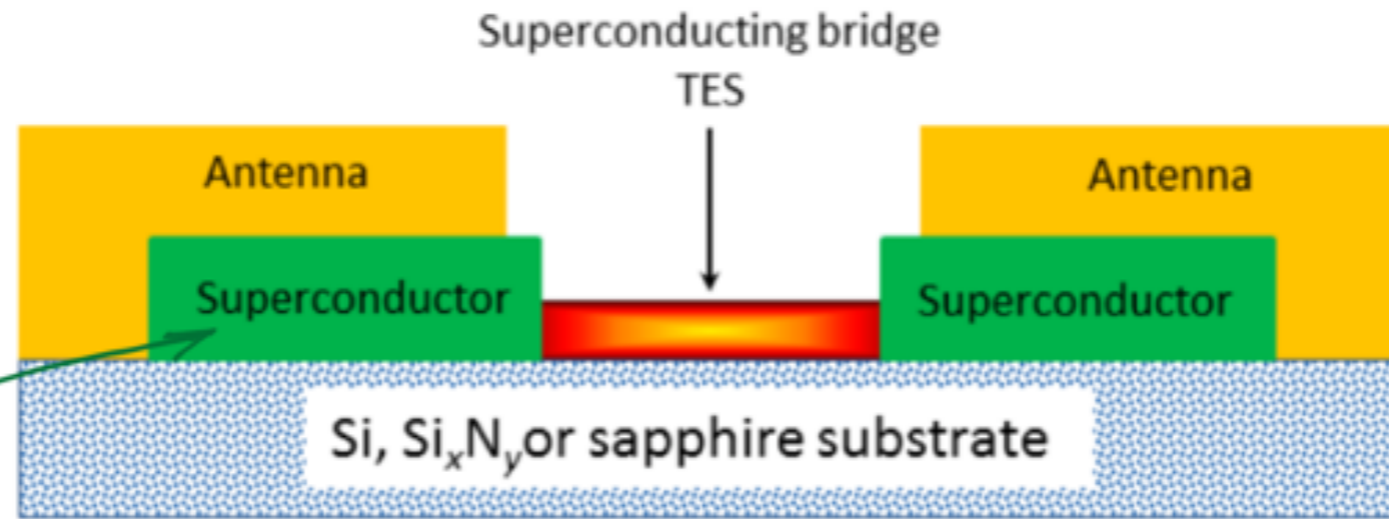


very high Q for mw.  $\sim 10^4 \div 10^5$

Parameter	ALPS	STAX	$g_{ALPS} / g_{STAX}$	STAX II	$g_{ALPS} / g_{STAXII}$
Laser Power	0.8 W	100 kW	18.8	1 MW	188
Photon Energy	2.327 eV	124 $\mu$ eV	11.7	124 $\mu$ eV	11.7
Cavity Q-factor	55.0	$10^4$	3.7	$10^8$	37
$H * L_x$	22 T m	7.5 T m	0.3	7.5 T m	0.3 <span style="color:red">←</span>
Detection Efficiency	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Detector Noise	$1.8 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ sec}^{-1}$	$10^{-9} \text{ sec}^{-1}$	34.0	$10^{-9} \text{ sec}^{-1}$	34 <span style="color:red">← ?</span>
Combined Improvement			$\sim 10^4$		$\sim 8 \times 10^5$

# 30 GHz $\gamma$ -DETECTION

1. SINGLE  $\gamma$  detection  $\leftarrow$  CRYOGENIC (10mK)
2. MW screening
3. ...
- $\vdots$



- $T_c < 20\text{mK}$
- $\alpha\text{-W, Ti-Au, Ti-Cu}$
- $V \sim 10^{-3} \div 10^{-4} \mu\text{m}^3$
- low noise SQUID readout.



# TES

TES work @ T slightly below  $T_c$ .

$$V_{\text{TES}} \approx 2 \times 10^{-22} \text{ m}^3 \text{ @ } 10 \text{ mK}$$

$$1\% (30 \text{ GHz}) \rightarrow \Delta T_c \approx 40 \text{ mK}$$

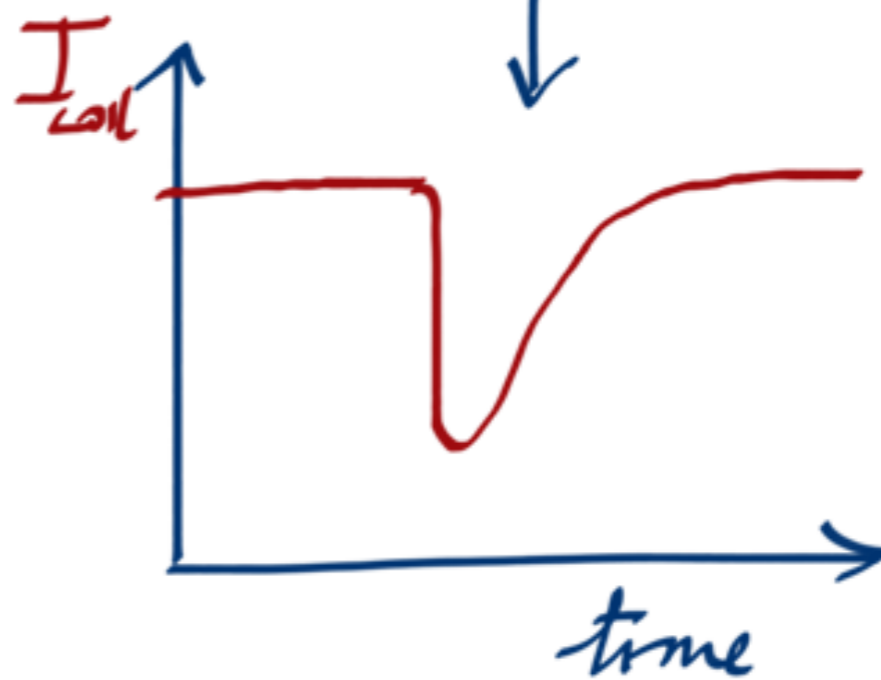
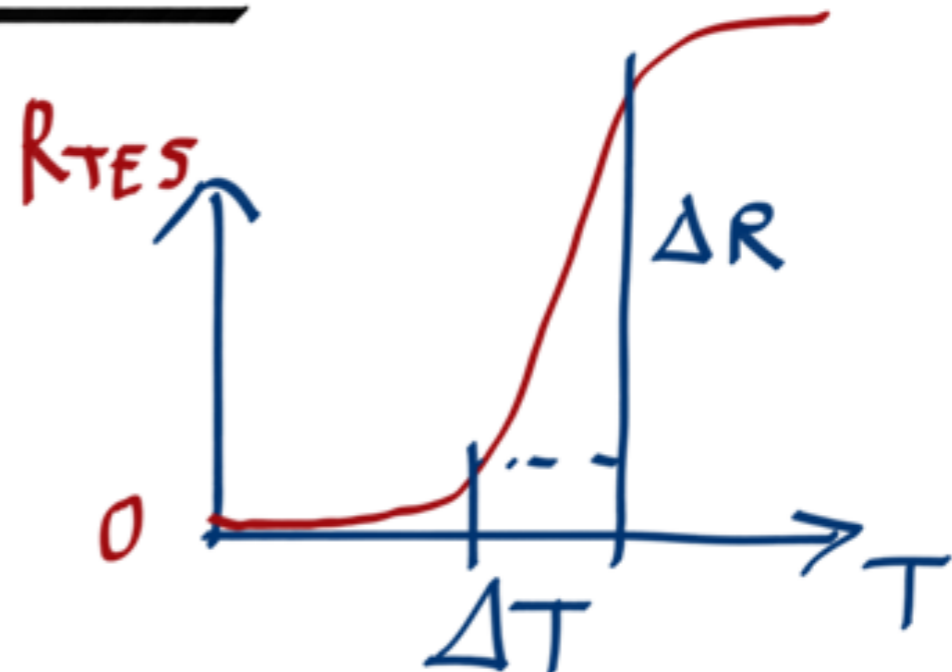
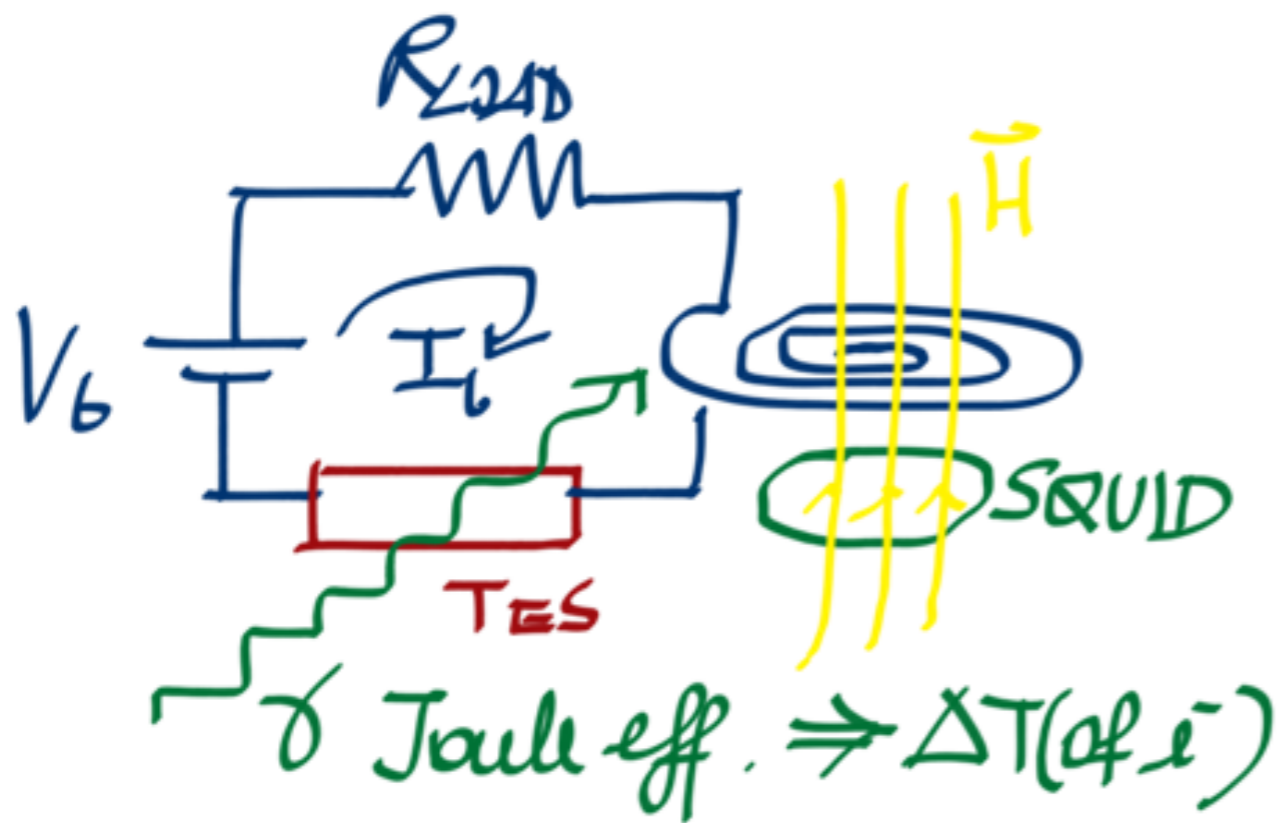
Estimate  $\Delta I$  -

— SQUID SPECTRAL NOISE DENSITY

$$\frac{1 \text{ pA}}{\sqrt{\text{Hz}}}$$

— to be multiplied by the det. passband<sup>1/2</sup>  
 $\approx \sqrt{100 \text{ Hz}}$

# EYE SCHEME



$$\tau(\epsilon - \phi @ 10 \text{ mK}) \approx 0.1 \text{ sec}$$

Read a voltage on SQUID

R&D on  $\Delta T, \Delta R, \Delta V_{SQUID}$  @ 30 GHz & 10 mK.



## SOME NUMBERS

1. Resolution =  $\sigma_E \approx \sqrt{k_B T_e^2 C_e}$

$$C_e \approx \gamma V T_e$$

$$\gamma \approx 136 \text{ J/}^\circ\text{K/m}^3$$

$V = \text{sensor volume}$  } to be decreased  
 $T_e = \text{electron temp.}$  } to decrease  $\sigma_E$

$$V = 300 \times 40 \times 20 \text{ mm}^3 \quad \& \propto -W \quad \rightarrow \sigma_E \approx 560 \text{ MHz}$$

2. At 10 mK, blackbody peaks at 0.6 GHz

$$P \sim 10^{-52} \text{ W/m}^2$$

3. Cosmic  $\mu^\pm$  release about 10 eV in 10 mm

$\Rightarrow$  drastically increase detector temp, which takes  $\tau_d$  to go back to 10 mK. We estimate

$$\tau_d \ll \tau_{\mu-\mu}$$

## STAX PROPOSAL

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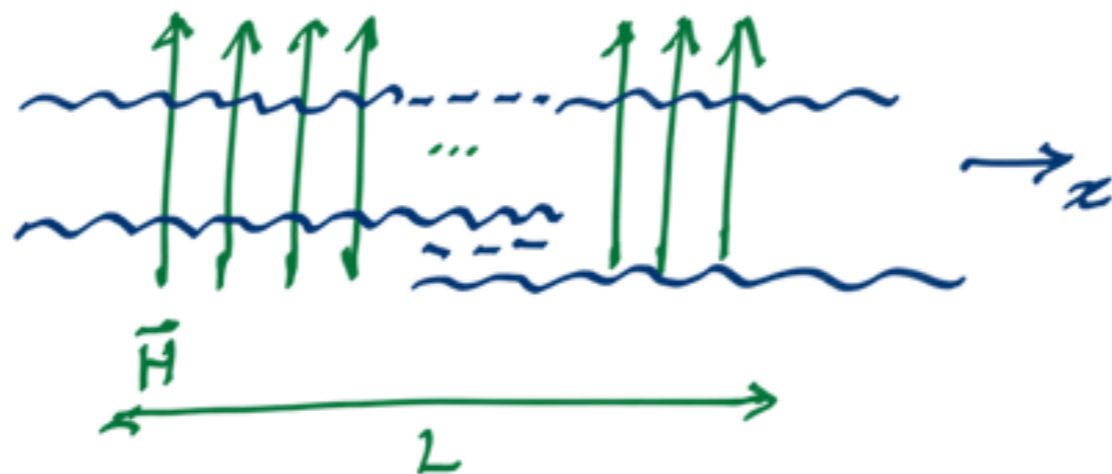
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# APPENDIX



$$\Sigma \sim G^2 H^2 E_f^2 \int dq \frac{\sin^2(qL/2)}{q^2(p^2 - m_a^2 + i\epsilon)}$$

$$(p^2 - m_a^2 + i\epsilon) = -(q - (q_1 + i\epsilon))(q - (q_2 - i\epsilon))$$

$$q_1 = E_f + p^*$$

$$i\epsilon \leftarrow i\epsilon p^* - \epsilon^2$$

$$q_2 = E_f - p^*$$

$$p^* = \sqrt{E_f^2 - m_a^2} > 0$$

Do integral in the complex plane, take its 'Im' part and get the standard formula

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$$P = G^2 H^2 \frac{E_y}{\sqrt{E_y^2 - m_a^2}} \left( \frac{\sin^2(q_2 L/2)}{q_2^2} + (2 \rightarrow 1) \right)$$

$$\frac{\lambda_a}{2} < L \Rightarrow |\phi| > \frac{1}{2L}$$

FWD a's  $q < E_y - \frac{1}{2L}$

BKWD a's  $q > E_y + \frac{1}{2L}$

from  $p = k - q$

Since  $q_1 > q_2$

$$q_2 \lesssim m_a - \frac{1}{2L}$$

$$q_1 \gtrsim m_a + \frac{1}{2L}$$

$$\min(q_1 - q_2) = \frac{1}{L}$$

Going back to the contour integral evaluation we find that this condition translates into an upper-bound for the P

$$P_{\max} = G^2 H^2 \frac{\sin^2(qL/2)}{q^2} \frac{m_a}{1/L}$$



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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial L} \int dq \frac{\sin^2(qL/2)}{q^2(p^2 - m_a^2 + i\epsilon)} = \frac{1}{2} \int dq \frac{\sin qL}{q(p^2 - m_a^2 + i\epsilon)}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \int dq \frac{\sin qL}{q(q - (q_1 + i\epsilon))(q - (q_2 - i\epsilon))}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\pi}{q_1 q_2} + \frac{\pi}{q_1 - q_2} \left( \frac{e^{iLq_1}}{q_1} - \frac{e^{-iLq_2}}{q_2} \right) \right)$$