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Outline

- Axions- and axion-like particles ⇒ laser-light shining through a wall experiment ALPS II (Any Light Particle Search)
- Hidden or dark photons \Rightarrow beam dump experiment HIPS (Hidden Particle Search)
- Non-linear QED ⇒ non-perturbative e⁺e⁻ pair production in collision of (multi-)GeV electron beam with petawatt laser beam

Axions and axion-like particles



- Axions and axion-like particles (ALPs) occur in many extensions of the standard model and are viable dark matter candidates
- Most sensitive probes of light ALPs based on photon-ALP conversion:
 - helioscope searches (e.g. CAST, SUMICO, SHIPS, ...)



- New Experiments at the Intensity Frontier -
- LSW (helioscopes) probe currently $g \sim 10^{-7} \text{ GeV}^{-1} (g \sim 10^{-10} \text{ GeV}^{-1})$:



• Astrophysical hints (TeV γ transparency puzzle (H.E.S.S., MAGIC); anomalous energy loss of white dwarfs) point at $g \sim 10^{-12} \div 10^{-11} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$

- New Experiments at the Intensity Frontier -
- LSW experiments
 - worldwide activity at accelerator labs recycling existing dipole magnets

Experiment	ω	$\mathcal{P}_{ ext{prim}}$	eta_g	Magnets
ALPS (DESY)	2.33 eV	4 W	300	$B_g = B_r = 5 \text{ T}$ $L_g = L_r =$ 4.21 m
BFRT (Brookhaven)	2.47 eV	3 W	100	$B_g = B_r = 3.7 \text{ T}$ $L_g = L_r =$ 4.4 m
BMV (LULI)	1.17 eV	$8 imes 10^{21} \; \gamma { m s/pulse}$	14 pulses	$B_g = B_r =$ 12.3 T $L_g = L_r =$ 0.4 m
GammeV (Fermilab)	2.33 eV	$4 \times 10^{17} \ \gamma {\rm s/pulse}$	3600 pulses	$B_g = B_r = 5 \text{ T}$ $L_g = L_r = 3 \text{ m}$
LIPSS (JLab)	1.03 eV	180 W	1	$B_g = B_r = 1.7 \;T$ $L_g = L_r = 1 \;m$
OSQAR (CERN)	2.5 eV	15 W	1	$B_g = B_r = 9 T$ $L_g = L_r = 7 m$

- **ALPS** at forefront in sensitivity (highest integrated photon flux)

– have to increase efforts in order to stay competitive \Rightarrow **ALPS II**

- New Experiments at the Intensity Frontier -
- Last **ALPS** run end of 2009
- \Rightarrow "Not a WISP of evidence"

[Phys. Lett. B 689 (2010) 149-155] [Nature 465 (2010) 271]



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- Upgrade plans at DESY (similar at Fermilab)
 - exploit more HERA (Tevatron) magnets
 - exploit resonant regeneration cavity [Hoogeveen,Ziegenhagen '91;Sikivie,Tanner,van Bibber '07]
- Benchmark parameters:

$6+6$ HERA magnets ($\ell = 8.8$ m)	L = 52.8 m
Magnetic field	B = 5.5 T
Primary laser power	$\mathcal{P}_{\rm prim} = 3 \ { m W}$
Power build-up	$\beta_g = \beta_r = 10^5$
Laser frequency	$\omega = 1.17 ~ {\rm eV}$
Overlap between ALP mode and electric field mode	$\eta = 0.95$
Detection time	$\tau = 100 \text{ h}$
Dark count rate	$n_b = 10^{-4} \text{ Hz}$

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 \Rightarrow ALPS II will exceed sensitivity of CAST and probe astro hints

• DESY supports planning and first steps towards ALPS II; TDR in 2011

Hidden or dark photons

- MeV-GeV scale hidden or dark photon γ' :
 - may explain $(g-2)_{\mu}$ anomaly
 - may explain

[Pospelov '08]

[Arkani-Hamed et al. '08; Pospelov,Ritz '08;...]

- $\ast\,$ terrestrial (DAMA, CoGeNT vs. CDMS, XENON) and
- * cosmic ray (PAMELA, FERMI)
- DM anomalies if DM charged under hidden U(1)
- can be checked in beam dump and other fixed-target experiments with intense electron beams
 [Reece,Wang '09; Bjorken,Essig,Schuster,Toro '09]
- ⇒ New experiments commissioned/funded/proposed/designed at DESY (HIPS), MAMI (A1 Collaboration), and JLab (APEX, DarkLight, HPS)

• Current limits on γ - γ' mixing angle χ from past beam dumps and g-2:



- New Experiments at the Intensity Frontier -
- HIdden Particle Search HIPS: a (parasitic) beam dump experiment at DESY II (10 nA; 450 MeV ÷ 6 GeV); funded by SFB 676; run in 2011

[Andreas, Bechtle, Ehrlichmann, Garutti, Lindner, Niebuhr, AR]





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• Projected sensitivity of HIPS complementary to the one of competitors:



• APEX at JLab's CEBAF (80 μ A; 2 ÷ 6 GeV) and A1 collaboration at MAMI (100 μ A; 800 MeV ÷ 1.6 GeV) made already test runs

- New Experiments at the Intensity Frontier -
- Proposals: JLab: HPS at CEBAF; DarkLight at FEL (10 mA; $E_{max} = 140$ MeV); Mainz internal gas experiment at proposed MESA facility



• Parasitic beam dump experiment exploiting FLASH-like *e*-beam (30 μ A; 1.2 GeV) would enlarge discovery potential





Non-linear QED in collision of e^- beam with intense laser beam

 SLAC E144 studied non-linear QED in the collision of a 46.6 GeV electron beam (the Final Focus Test Beam) with Terawatt pulses from a Nd:glass laser [Bula et al., PRL 76 (1996) 3116; Burke et al., PRL 79 (1997) 1626; Bamber et al., PRD 60 (1999) 092004]



- New Experiments at the Intensity Frontier -
- Non-linear QED

multi-photon param. $\eta = \frac{e\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{L}}}{\omega_{\mathrm{L}}m_{e}}$

- Non-linear Compton

 $e + n \, \gamma_{
m L}
ightarrow e + \gamma$ Electron yield, $Y_e \propto \eta^{2(n-1)} \propto I^{n-1}$

- Pair production:
 - * Stimulated process ($\eta \ll 1$) $\gamma + n \gamma_{\rm L} \rightarrow e^+ e^-$ Positron rate, $R_{e^+} \propto \eta^{2n} \propto I^n$
 - * Spontaneous tunneling process $(\eta \gg 1)$ $R_{e^+} \propto \exp(-8/3\kappa)$ where $\kappa = 2 \frac{E_{\gamma}}{m_e} \frac{\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{L}}}{\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{crit}}}$
- SLAC E144: $\eta \ll 1$, $\kappa \ll 1$



• Petawatt laser plus electron beam such as in FLASH or in XFEL will allow to probe the non-perturbative tunneling regime,

$\eta \gg 1,$

for the first time in the laboratory:

- laser at SLAC E144:

 $I \approx 0.5 \times 10^{18} \text{ W/cm}^2 \text{ at } 1035(527) \text{ nm}$

- laser such as POLARIS currently set up in Jena reach easily

$$I\sim 10^{21}~{\rm W/cm}^2$$
 at 1035(527) nm

and thus more than one order of magnitude larger values of $\eta \propto I^{1/2}$

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Conclusions

• There are experiments around the globe, notably at accelerator labs (CERN, DESY, FNAL, JLab, ...), exploiting/recycling existing equipment and intense particle beams,

New intensity frontier, complementary to energy frontier

- **DESY** has excellent opportunities at this new frontier:
 - ALPS II: stay at the forefront of laboratory searches for axions and axion-like particles with recycled superconducting HERA magnets
 - HIPS: (parasitic) electron beam dump experiment at DESY II (and later at FLASH?)
 - Laser-e-beam collisions: study of non-perturbative pair production at FLASH (and later XFEL?)