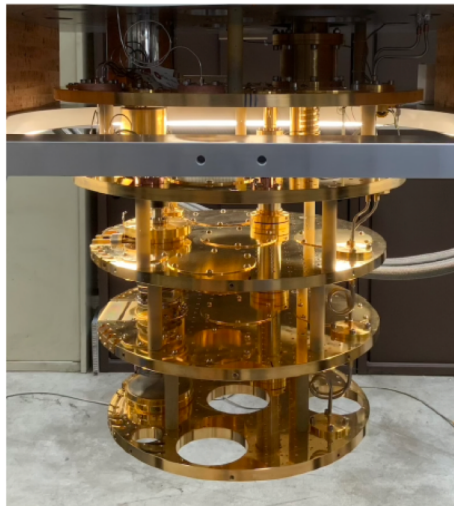




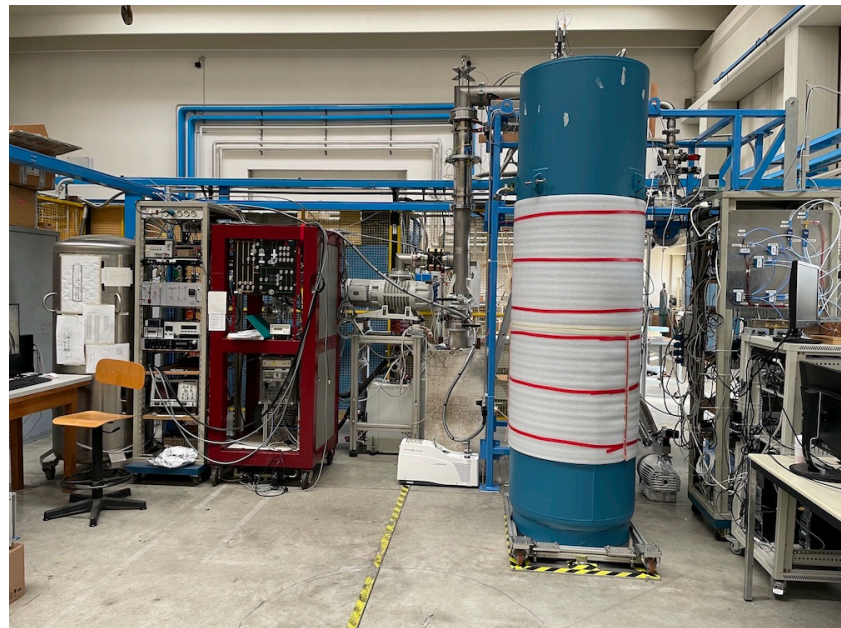
Quantum Information Science devices and methods in fundamental physics

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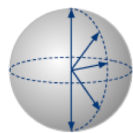
What is a quantum sensor?

“Quantum sensors are individual systems or ensembles of systems that use **quantum coherence, interference** and **entanglement** to determine physical quantities of interest.”

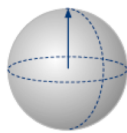
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“A device whose measurement (sensing) capability is enabled by our ability to **manipulate and readout its quantum states.**”

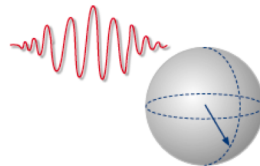
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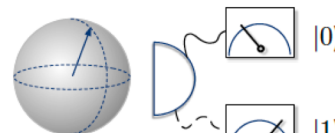
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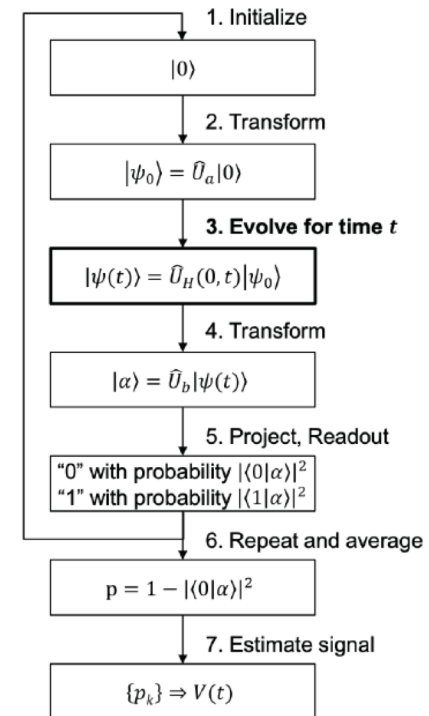
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interaction with field

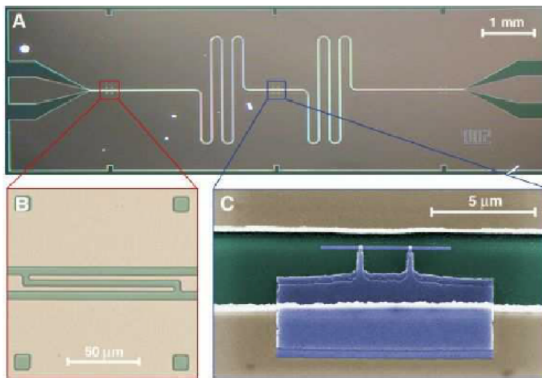


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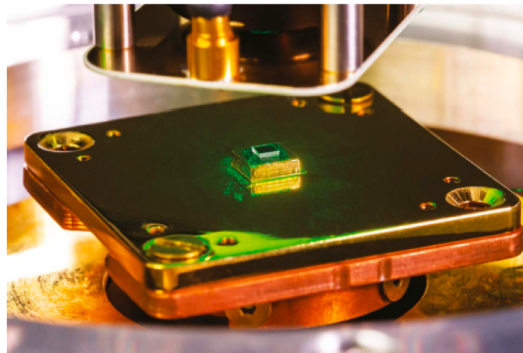


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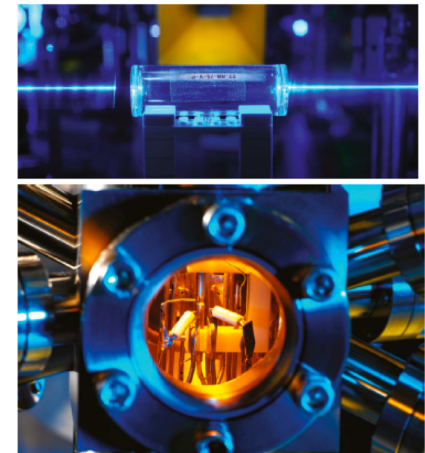
Quantum sensors have been realised in **multiple physical systems with very different operating principles.**



Superconducting circuits



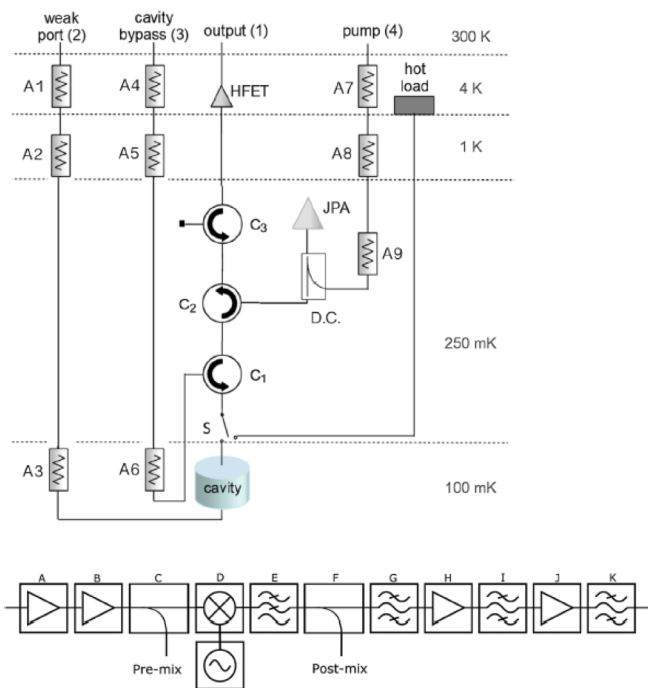
Solid-state spins



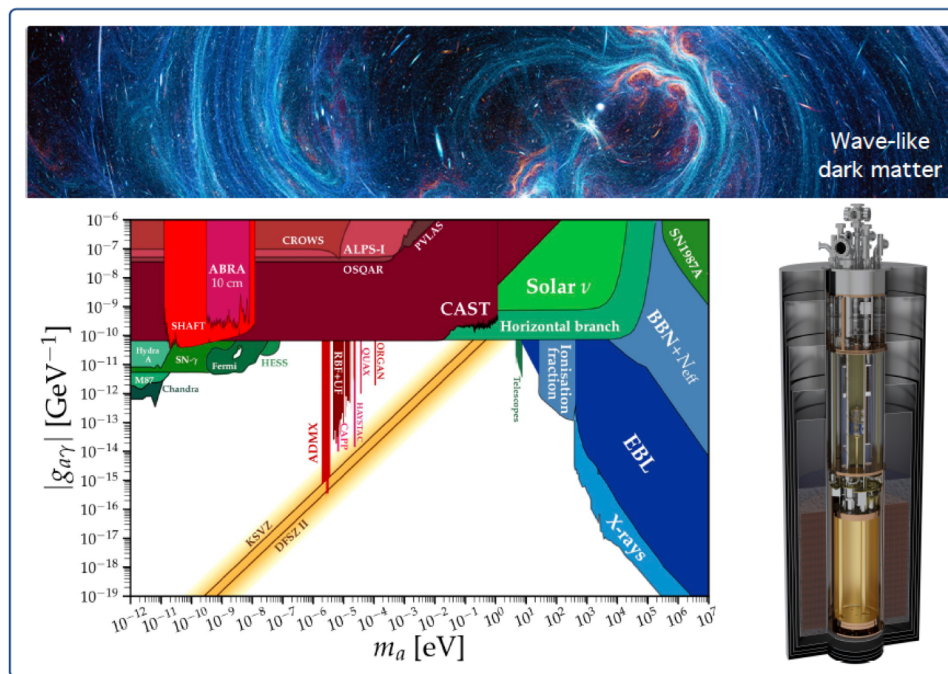
Atomic ensembles

It might take some more time to adapt them in real-world settings, but **they are already in use in the lab.** Applied to problems in which **significant** gain (up to 1000s) compared to conventional detectors is required.

Wave-like dark matter (DM) search

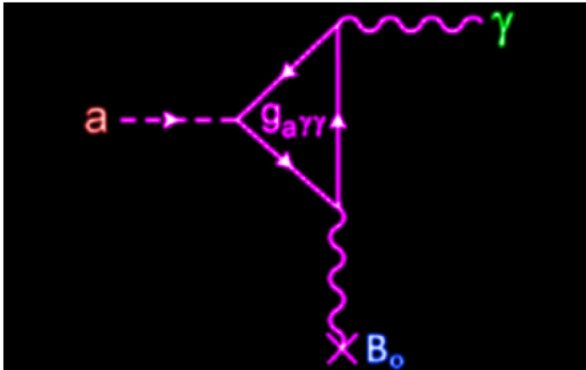


Dilution refrigerator (mK temperature)
 Quantum-limited amplifiers
 Heterodyne microwave receiver



$< 10^{-23} \text{ W}$
 Unknown frequency (particle mass)

Wave-like dark matter (DM) search



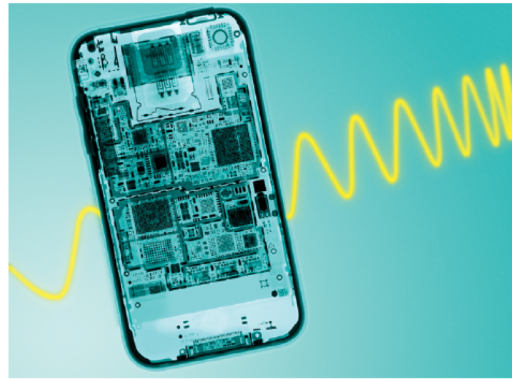
1. **3D microwave cavity** for resonant amplification
-think of an HO driven by an external force-
2. **with tuneable frequency** to match the axion mass
3. the cavity is within the bore of a **SC magnet**
4. cavity signal is readout with a **low noise receiver**
5. cavity and receiver preamplifier are kept at base temperature of a **dilution refrigerator** (10 – 50) mK



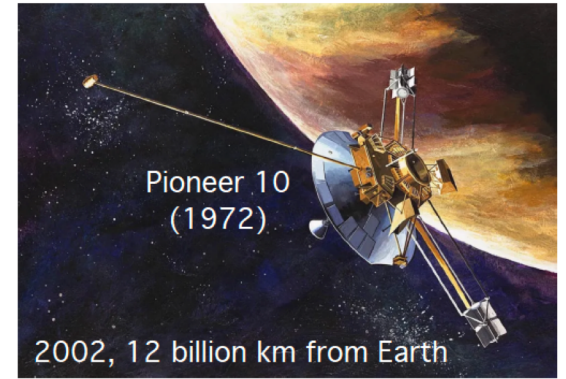
Quantum microwaves in DM search



kW



(0.1-2) W

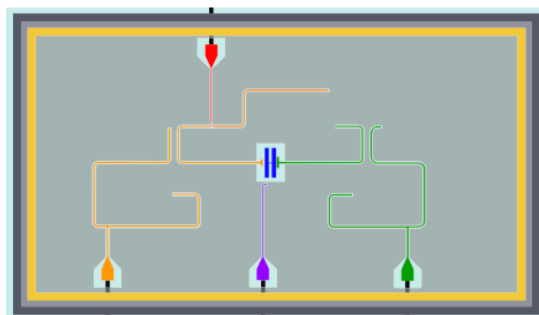


2.5×10^{-21} W

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The sensors we use:

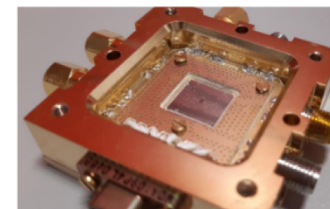
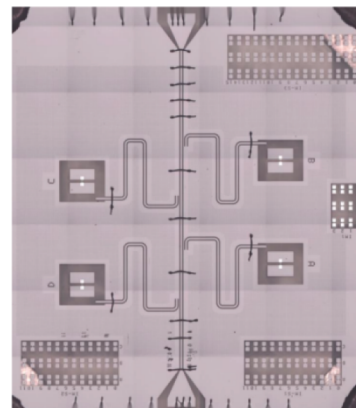
Single microwave photon counters



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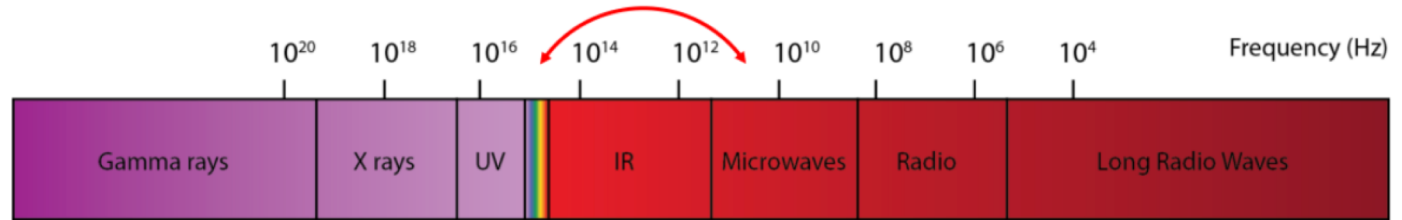


Josephson Parametric Amplifiers (JPA)
Traveling Wave (TWPA)

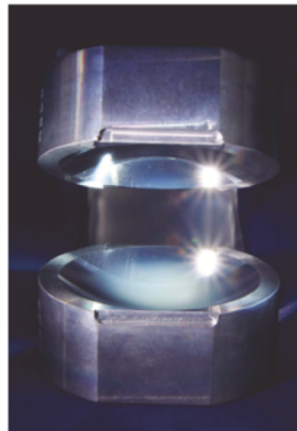
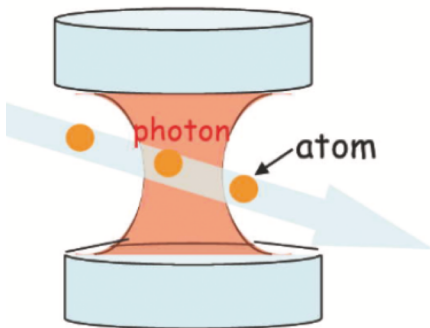


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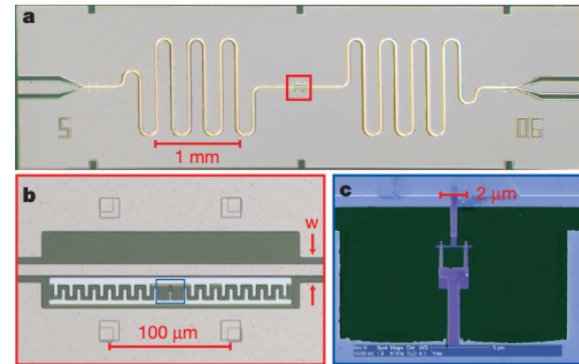
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The detection of individual **microwave photons** has been pioneered by **atomic cavity quantum electrodynamics experiments** and later on transposed to **circuit QED experiments**



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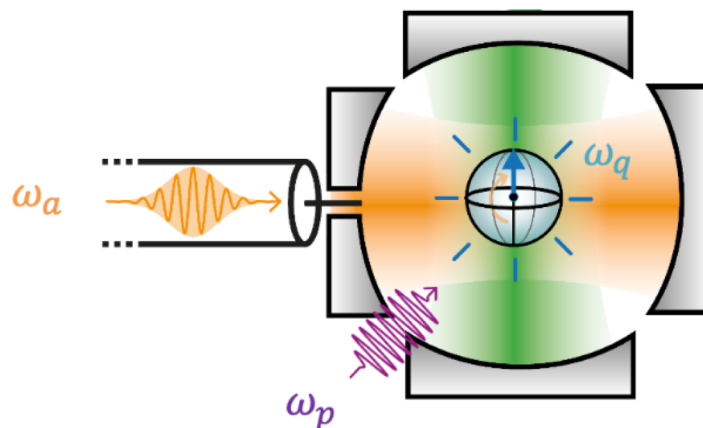
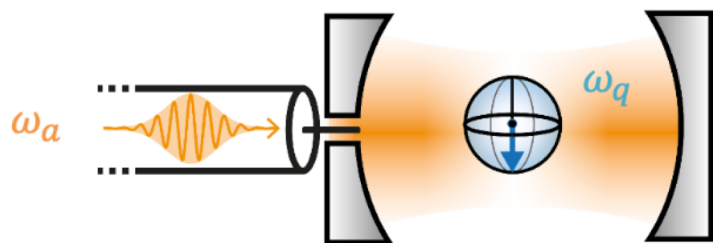
In both cases **two-level atoms** interact directly with a **microwave field mode*** in the cavity

* a quantum oscillator whose quanta are photons

Qubit-based photon counting

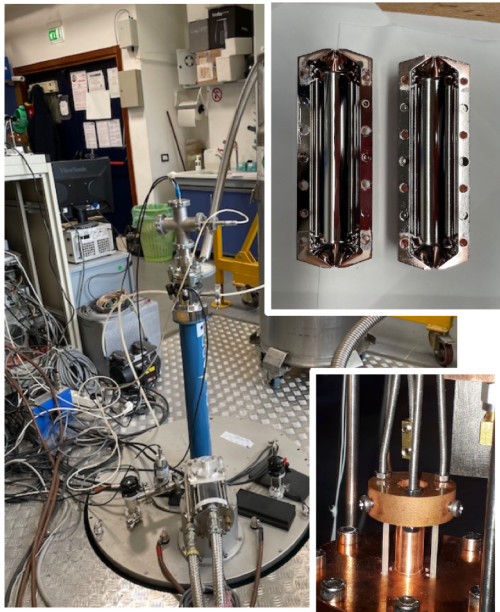
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- the incoming photon is converted to a qubit excitation
- the state of the qubit is then probed with QIS methods (dispersive readout)

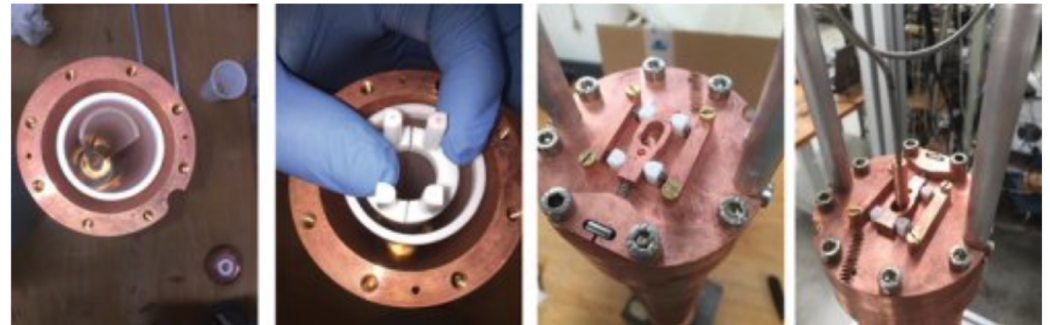


The 3D microwave resonators we develop:

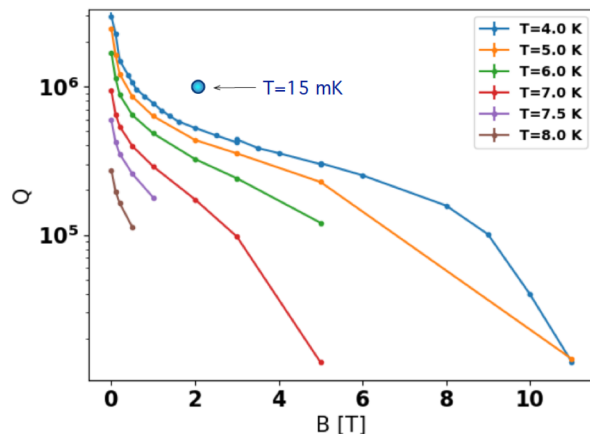
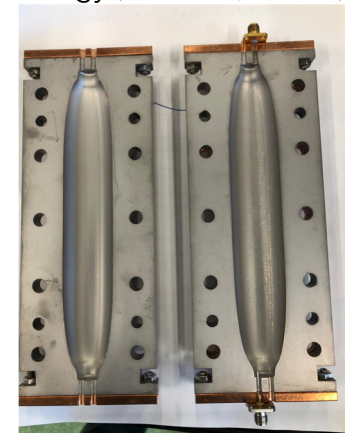
SC cavity: thin film technology (C. Pira, INFN-LNL)



Dielectric resonators



SC cavity: thin film technology (S. Posen, SQMS)



We can probe fundamental physics with lab-scale experiments

Big learning curve with sensors at the frontier of quantum technology

Not just a small piece in a huge experiment

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