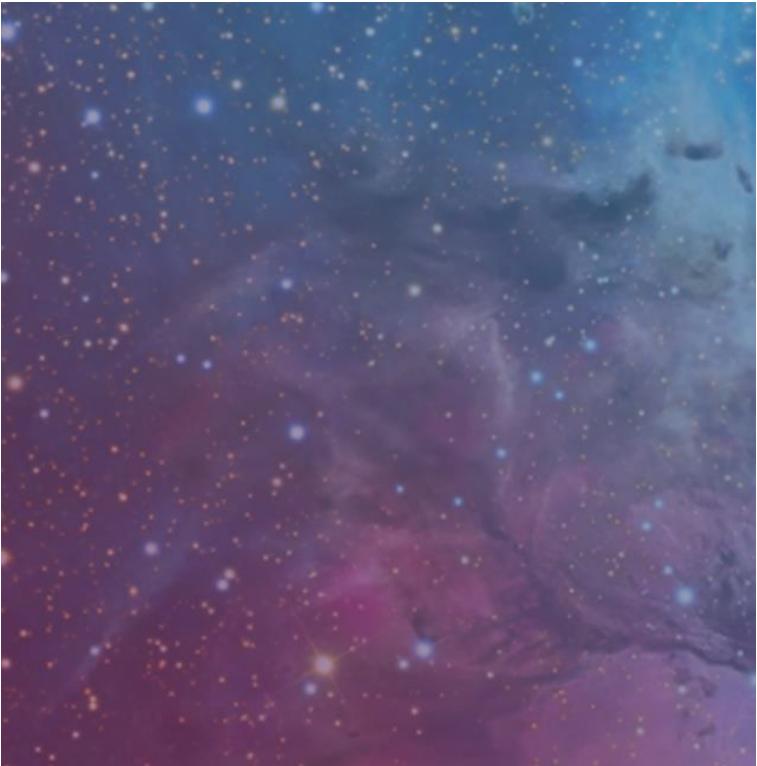




Phenomenology of time-varying neutrino masses

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ULTRALIGHT DARK MATTER

- An **ultralight scalar** with mass $m_\phi > O(10^{-22} \text{ eV})$ can alleviate some discrepancies between cosmological observations and simulations at small scales.

(Fuzzy Dark Matter)

- An ultralight scalar field produced coherently behaves like a **classical field**

$$\phi(t) = \phi \sin m_\phi t \quad \text{with} \quad \phi = \sqrt{2\rho}/m_\phi$$

and the **modulation period** is related to the scalar mass

$$\tau_\phi \equiv \frac{2\pi}{m_\phi} = 0.41 \left(\frac{10^{-14} \text{ eV}}{m_\phi} \right) \text{s}$$

*Rich phenomenology
expected in case it
couples to neutrinos*

ULTRALIGHT DARK MATTER and NEUTRINOS

A feasible way to couple light neutrinos to the scalar field is by mixing with right-handed sterile neutrinos,

$$-\mathcal{L} \supset y_D \bar{l}_L \tilde{h} N + \frac{1}{2}(m_N + g\phi) \overline{N^c} N + \frac{1}{2}\kappa \bar{l}_L \tilde{h} \tilde{h}^T l_L^c + \frac{1}{2\Lambda} \overline{\phi^2} \overline{N^c} N + h.c.$$

which has been shown to be compatible with cosmological observations. [2205.08431]

DISCLAIMER: This talk will be limited to the case of heavy sterile neutrinos such that effectively the ultralight scalar couples directly to active neutrinos, i.e

$$-\mathcal{L} \supset g_\nu^{ij} \phi \bar{\nu}_i \nu_j$$

Active neutrinos get
time-dependent
masses and mixing



Signatures in terrestrial experiments

OSCILLATION EXPERIMENTS
AND BETA DECAYS

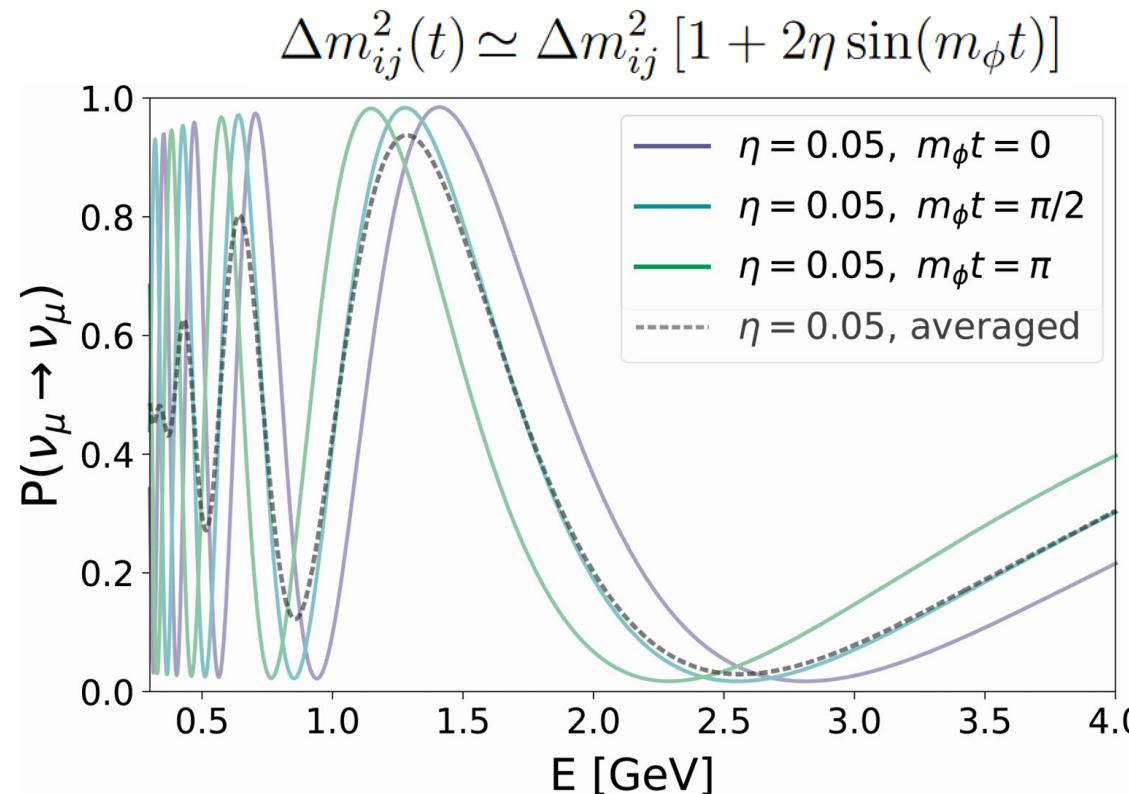
SIGNATURES IN NEUTRINO OSCILLATIONS

Two main type of signatures can be searched for:

- Time-dependent signals
- Distorted neutrino oscillation probabilities

A.Berlin, *PRL* 117 (2016) 23, 231801
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Let us take DUNE as an example and a time dependent mass splitting parameterised as



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Time varying neutrino masses also alter the **beta decay spectrum near the end-point**, where neutrino masses become relevant.

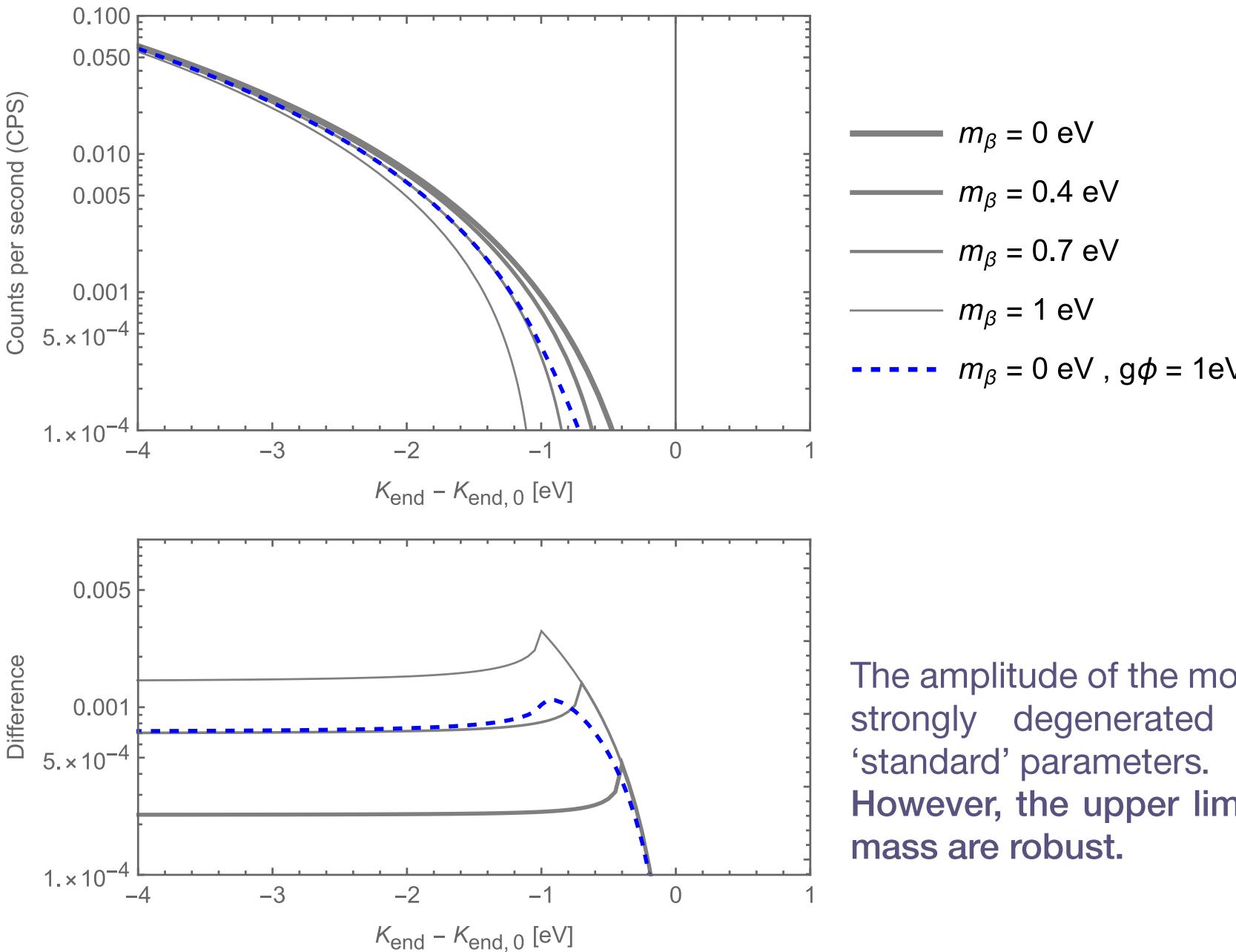
If sterile neutrinos are heavy (for instance of order keV), then

$$\tilde{m}_\beta(\phi) \approx m_\beta + g_\nu \phi \sin m_\phi t$$

In principle, time variations in the signal could be searched for.

The **averaging** of the time modulation leads to a **non-trivial distortion** of the spectrum.

BETA DECAY EXPERIMENTS SIGNATURES IN



The amplitude of the modulation is strongly degenerated with the ‘standard’ parameters.
However, the upper limits on the mass are robust.



BOUNDS ON THE
STANDARD MODEL EXTENSION

Synergies with Lorentz
Invariance Violation tests

STANDARD MODEL EXTENSION (SME)

Extension of the SM which respects its symmetries while allowing for CPT and Lorentz Invariance violating terms.

In the minimal SME, only operators with dimension 4 or smaller are allowed.

Current limits on the SME coefficients can be found in e-Print: [0801.0287 \[hep-ph\]](#)
(V. Alan Kostelecký and Neil Russell)

Data Tables for Lorentz and CPT Violation

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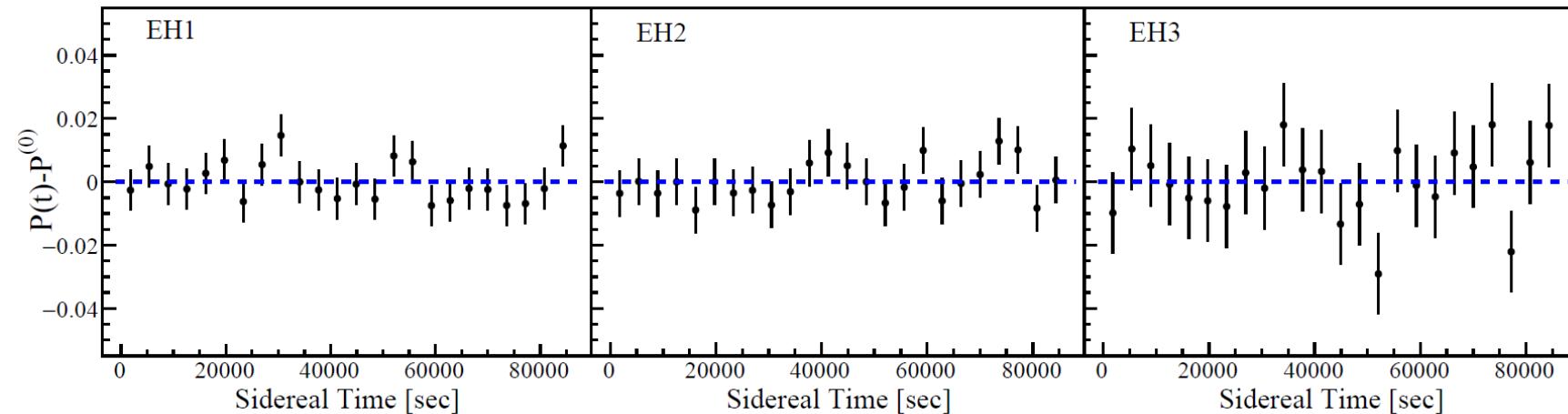
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SYNERGIES WITH LIV SEARCHES IN OSCILLATIONS

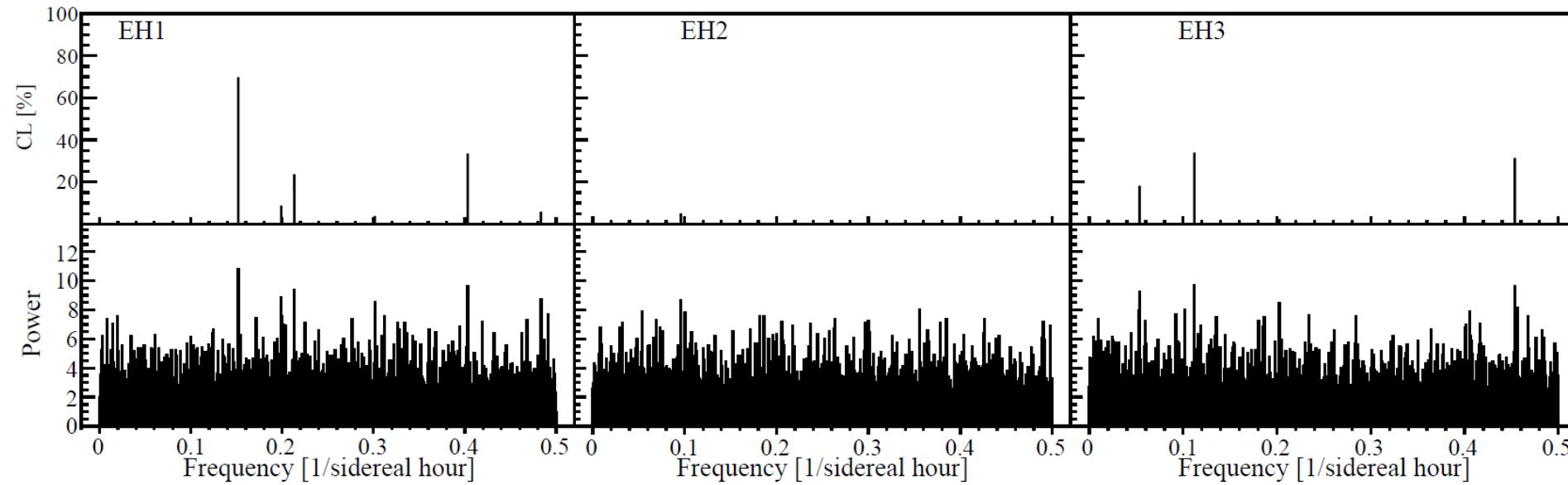
Several SME coefficients can give rise to a modulation of the signal with sidereal time. The experimental signature can be degenerate with that expected from an ultralight scalar – neutrino coupling.

Similar analysis techniques can be used.

CASE STUDY: Daya Bay used the Lomb Scargle method to look for periodicity in their data.



SYNERGIES WITH LIV SEARCHES IN OSCILLATIONS



A similar search was proposed for DUNE
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Other oscillation experiments, like MINOS and IceCube, have placed bound on the SME coefficients.

SYNERGIES WITH LIV SEARCHES IN BETA DECAYS

Several signatures are also expected in beta decays. Actually some of the best limits on SME coefficients come from Mainz and Troitsk experiments.
An improvement from KATRIN is then expected.

What effects are we talking about?

- Spectral distortions
- Shifts and time dependences of the effective mass
- ...

Combination	Result	System
$(c_{\text{eff}}^{(2)})_{10}^{ee}$	$> -1 \times 10^{-17} \text{ GeV}^2$	Troitsk tritium decay
"	$> -2 \times 10^{-17} \text{ GeV}^2$	Mainz tritium decay
$(c_{\text{eff}}^{(2)})_{10}^{\mu\mu}$	$> -2 \times 10^{-17} \text{ GeV}^2$	Troitsk tritium decay
"	$> -4 \times 10^{-17} \text{ GeV}^2$	Mainz tritium decay
$(c_{\text{eff}}^{(2)})_{10}^{\tau\tau}$	$> -2 \times 10^{-17} \text{ GeV}^2$	Troitsk tritium decay
"	$> -5 \times 10^{-17} \text{ GeV}^2$	Mainz tritium decay
$\text{Re } (c_{\text{eff}}^{(2)})_{10}^{e\mu}$	$< 1 \times 10^{-17} \text{ GeV}^2$	Troitsk tritium decay
"	$< 3 \times 10^{-17} \text{ GeV}^2$	Mainz tritium decay

SYNERGIES WITH LIV SEARCHES IN BETA DECAYS

For instance, some coefficients modify the effective mass parameter which is measured in beta decays

$$m_\nu^2 \rightarrow m_\nu^2 + \delta m^2$$

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$$\delta m^2 = m_{\mathcal{C}}^2 + m_{\mathcal{A}_s}^2 \sin \omega_\oplus T_\oplus + m_{\mathcal{A}_c}^2 \cos \omega_\oplus T_\oplus$$



Shift in the value.
Interesting in case of a
disagreement with other
mass measurement.



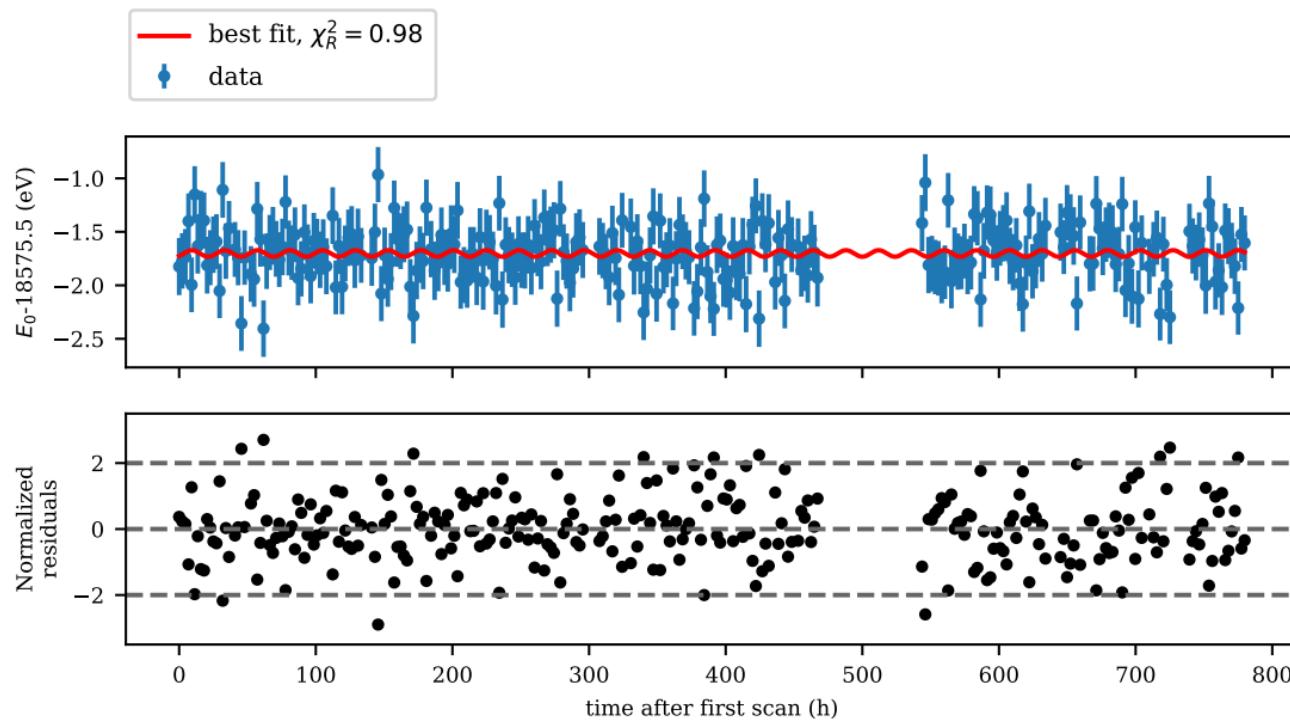
**Modulation dependent on the
sidereal time.** Analysis strategy
shared with ULDM scenario.

SYNERGIES WITH LIV SEARCHES IN BETA DECAYS

NEW!

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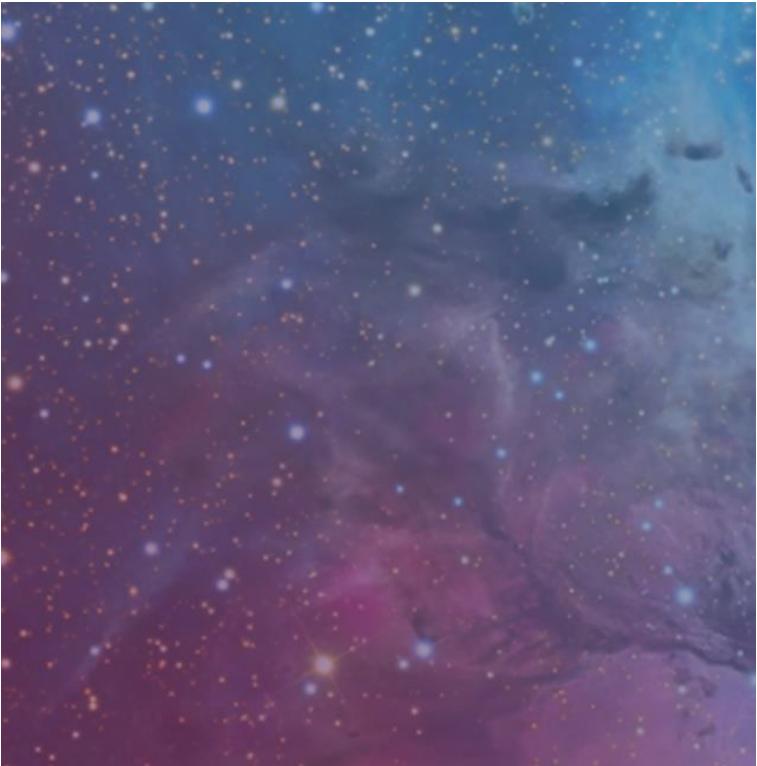
KATRIN has performed a LIV analysis of their data from the first campaign from a distortion of the endpoint energy!



$$L_{SME}^a = -\bar{\psi}_w a^\mu \gamma_\mu \psi_w$$

At 90% C.L.,

$$\left| (a_{\text{of}}^{(3)})_{00} \right| < 3.0 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ GeV}$$
$$\left| (a_{\text{of}}^{(3)})_{10} \right| < 6.4 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ GeV}$$



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Grazie!





Spare slides

SME coefficients testable in beta decays



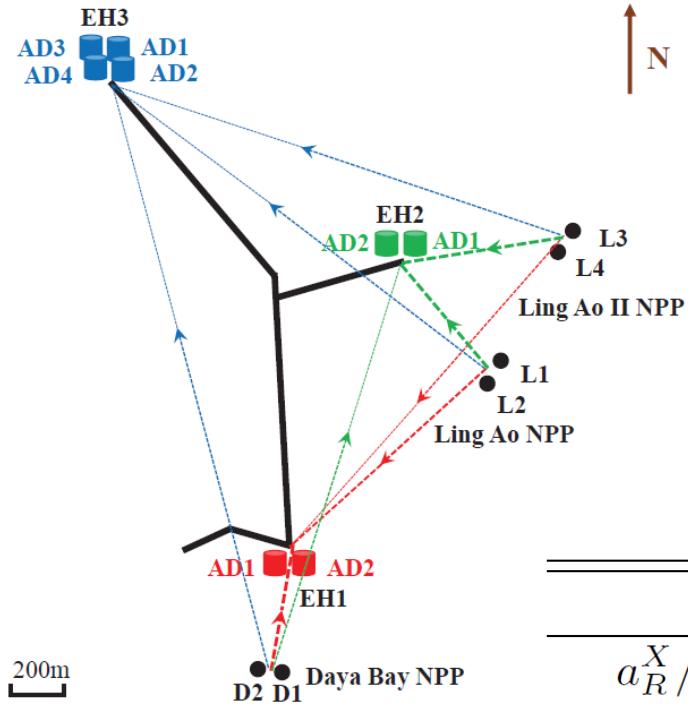
$$m_\nu^2 \rightarrow m_\nu^2 + \delta m^2$$

$$\delta m^2 = m_C^2 + m_{\mathcal{A}_s}^2 \sin \omega_\oplus T_\oplus + m_{\mathcal{A}_c}^2 \cos \omega_\oplus T_\oplus$$

$$m_C^2 = \sqrt{\frac{3}{\pi}} \cos^2 \frac{\theta_0}{2} \sin \chi \cos \xi (c_{\text{eff}}^{(2)})_{10},$$

$$m_{\mathcal{A}_s}^2 = \sqrt{\frac{6}{\pi}} \cos^2 \frac{\theta_0}{2} \left[\sin \xi \operatorname{Re} (c_{\text{eff}}^{(2)})_{11} - \cos \chi \cos \xi \operatorname{Im} (c_{\text{eff}}^{(2)})_{11} \right]$$

$$m_{\mathcal{A}_c}^2 = \sqrt{\frac{6}{\pi}} \cos^2 \frac{\theta_0}{2} \left[\sin \xi \operatorname{Im} (c_{\text{eff}}^{(2)})_{11} + \cos \chi \cos \xi \operatorname{Re} (c_{\text{eff}}^{(2)})_{11} \right]$$



DayaBay limits on SME

Coefficient	$\bar{e}\bar{e}$	$\bar{\mu}\bar{\mu}$	$\bar{\tau}\bar{\tau}$	$\bar{e}\bar{\mu}$	$\bar{e}\bar{\tau}$	$\bar{\mu}\bar{\tau}$
$a_R^X/10^{-20} \text{ (GeV)}$	-5 ± 25	9 ± 45	13 ± 58	-3.4 ± 5.5	-5.6 ± 8.0	10 ± 51
$c_R^{TX}/10^{-18}$	-15 ± 55	26 ± 99	34 ± 122	-4.5 ± 7.1	-6.9 ± 9.7	29 ± 109
$c_R^{XZ}/10^{-18}$	-20 ± 70	36 ± 128	43 ± 153	-2.1 ± 6.8	-2.7 ± 8.4	39 ± 139
$a_R^Y/10^{-20} \text{ (GeV)}$	5 ± 25	-9 ± 45	-10 ± 58	-0.3 ± 5.5	-0.9 ± 8.0	-9 ± 51
$c_R^{TY}/10^{-18}$	2 ± 55	-3 ± 99	-4 ± 122	-0.9 ± 7.1	-1.6 ± 9.7	-4 ± 109
$c_R^{YZ}/10^{-18}$	-10 ± 70	19 ± 128	22 ± 152	-1.4 ± 6.8	-1.9 ± 8.4	21 ± 139
$(c_R^{XX} - c_R^{YY})/10^{-18}$	13 ± 46	-24 ± 84	-29 ± 103	1.0 ± 8.2	0.9 ± 10.5	-26 ± 92
$c_R^{XY}/10^{-18}$	6 ± 23	-11 ± 42	-14 ± 51	1.0 ± 4.1	1.3 ± 5.3	-12 ± 46

MINOS ND & FD limits on SME

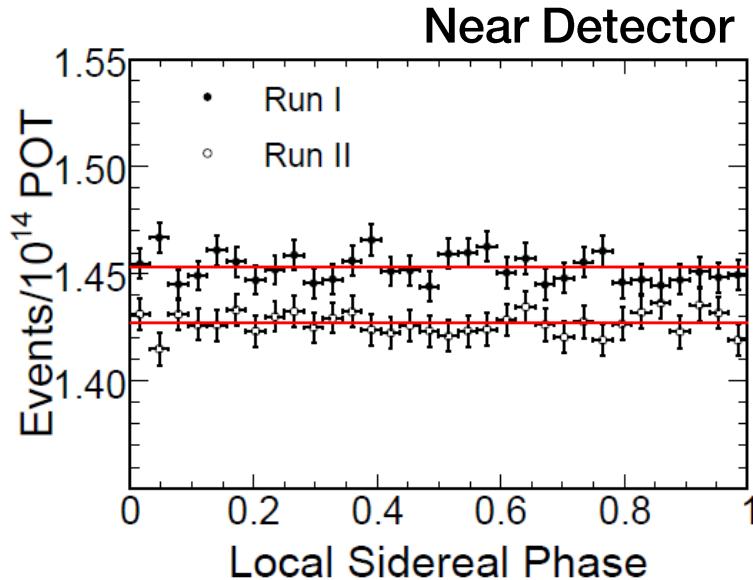


FIG. 1: The local sidereal phase histograms for Run I and Run II. Superposed are fits to a constant sidereal rate.



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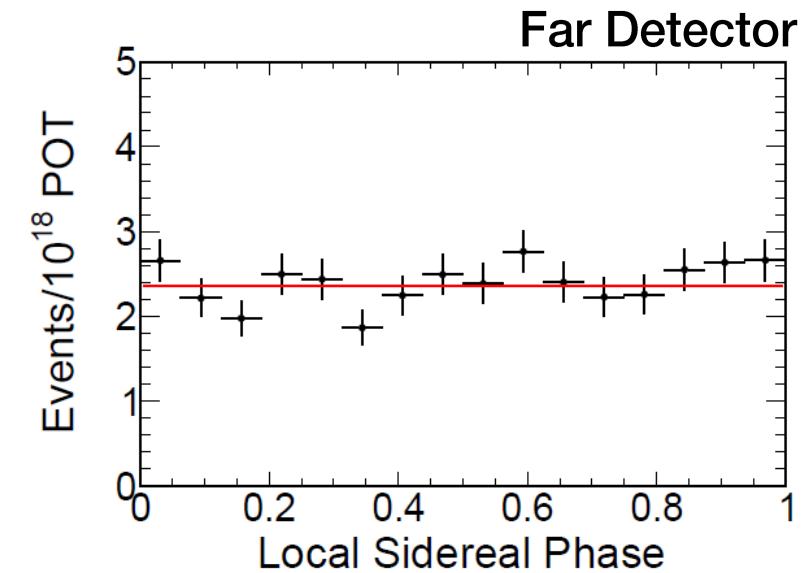


FIG. 1: Event rate as a function of LSP for the total data set.

Coeff.	Limit	\mathcal{I}	Coeff.	Limit	\mathcal{I}
$(a_L)_{\mu\tau}^X$	5.9×10^{-23}	510	$(a_L)_{\mu\tau}^Y$	6.1×10^{-23}	490
$(c_L)_{\mu\tau}^{TX}$	0.5×10^{-23}	20	$(c_L)_{\mu\tau}^{TY}$	0.5×10^{-23}	20
$(c_L)_{\mu\tau}^{XX}$	2.5×10^{-23}	220	$(c_L)_{\mu\tau}^{YY}$	2.4×10^{-23}	230
$(c_L)_{\mu\tau}^{XY}$	1.2×10^{-23}	230	$(c_L)_{\mu\tau}^{YZ}$	0.7×10^{-23}	170
$(c_L)_{\mu\tau}^{XZ}$	0.7×10^{-23}	190	—	—	—

IceCube limits on SME

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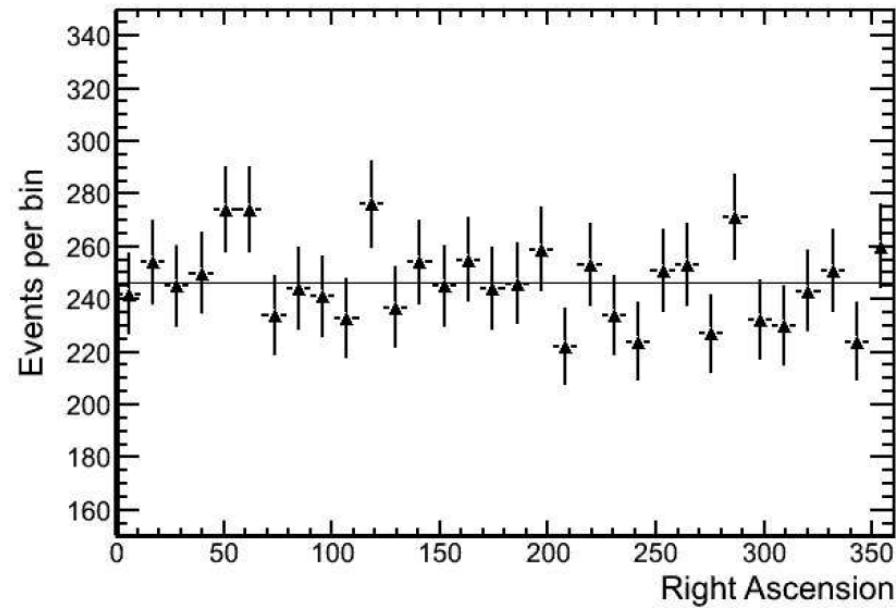


FIG. 2. RA distribution of events in data. Vertical error bars are statistical uncertainty only. Fluctuations in the data, above and below the mean (horizontal line), are consistent with statistical variations. χ^2 per bin for a straight-line fit to the mean is 0.9.

At 3 sigma,

$$a_L^X, a_L^Y < 1.8 \times 10^{-23} \text{ GeV}$$

$$c_L^{TX}, c_L^{TY} < 3.7 \times 10^{-27}$$





More details on the LIV analysis from KATRIN

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$$\begin{aligned}\Delta E_0 = & (\gamma - \beta_{\text{rot}} B \sin \xi) \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} a_{00}^{(3)} + \sqrt{\frac{3}{4\pi}} B \sin \chi \cos \xi a_{10}^{(3)} \\ & + \sqrt{\frac{3}{2\pi}} \cos(\omega_{\oplus} T_{\oplus}) \left[(\beta_{\text{rot}} - B \sin \xi) \text{Im}(a_{11}^{(3)}) \right. \\ & \left. - B \cos \xi \cos \chi \text{Re}(a_{11}^{(3)}) \right] \\ & + \sqrt{\frac{3}{2\pi}} \sin(\omega_{\oplus} T_{\oplus}) \left[(\beta_{\text{rot}} - B \sin \xi) \text{Re}(a_{11}^{(3)}) \right. \\ & \left. + B \cos \xi \cos \chi \text{Im}(a_{11}^{(3)}) \right],\end{aligned}$$



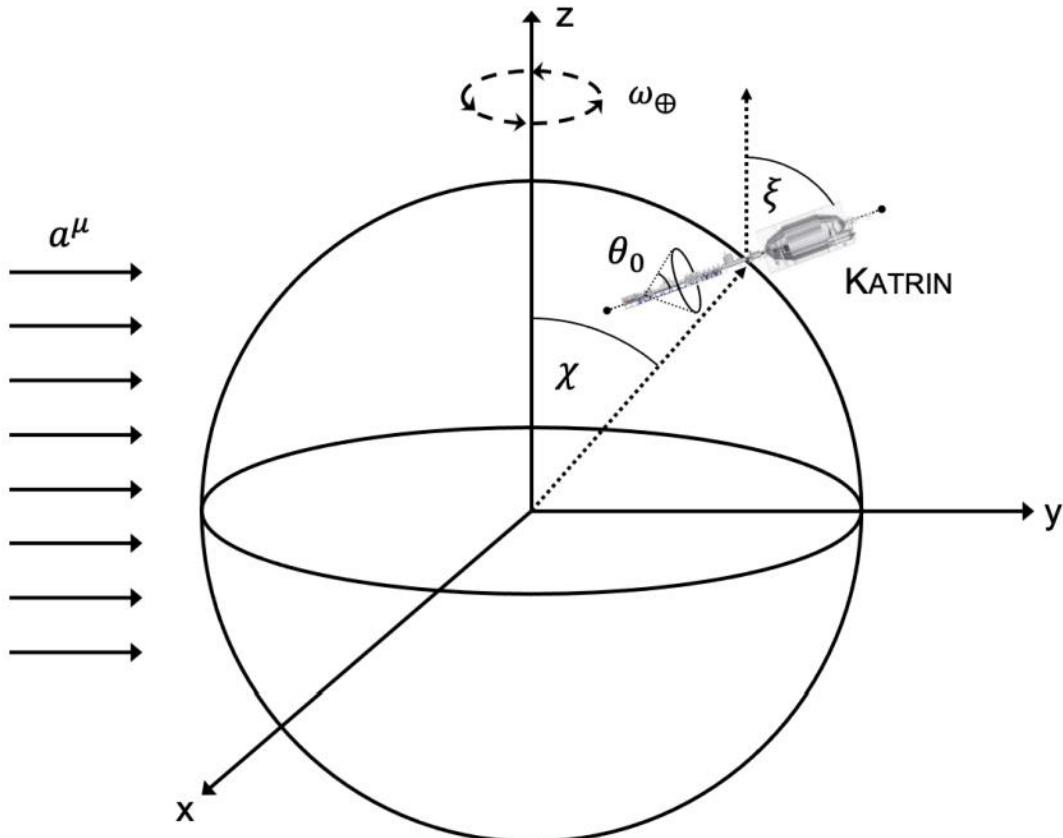
$$\Delta E_0 = A \cos(\omega_{\oplus} t - \phi)$$

The amplitude gets all the dependence on the SME coefficients



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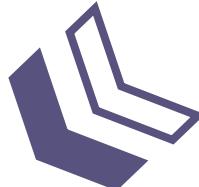
$$L_{SME}^a = -\bar{\psi}_w a^\mu \gamma_\mu \psi_w:$$



SME coefficients (a BONUS) *PRD 85 (2012) 096005*



$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\Psi}_A (\gamma^\mu i\partial_\mu \delta_{AB} - M_{AB} + \hat{Q}_{AB}) \Psi_B + \text{h.c.}$$



$$\gamma^\nu p_\nu \delta_{AB} - M_{AB} + \hat{Q}_{AB} = \hat{\Gamma}_{AB}^\nu p_\nu - \hat{M}_{AB}$$

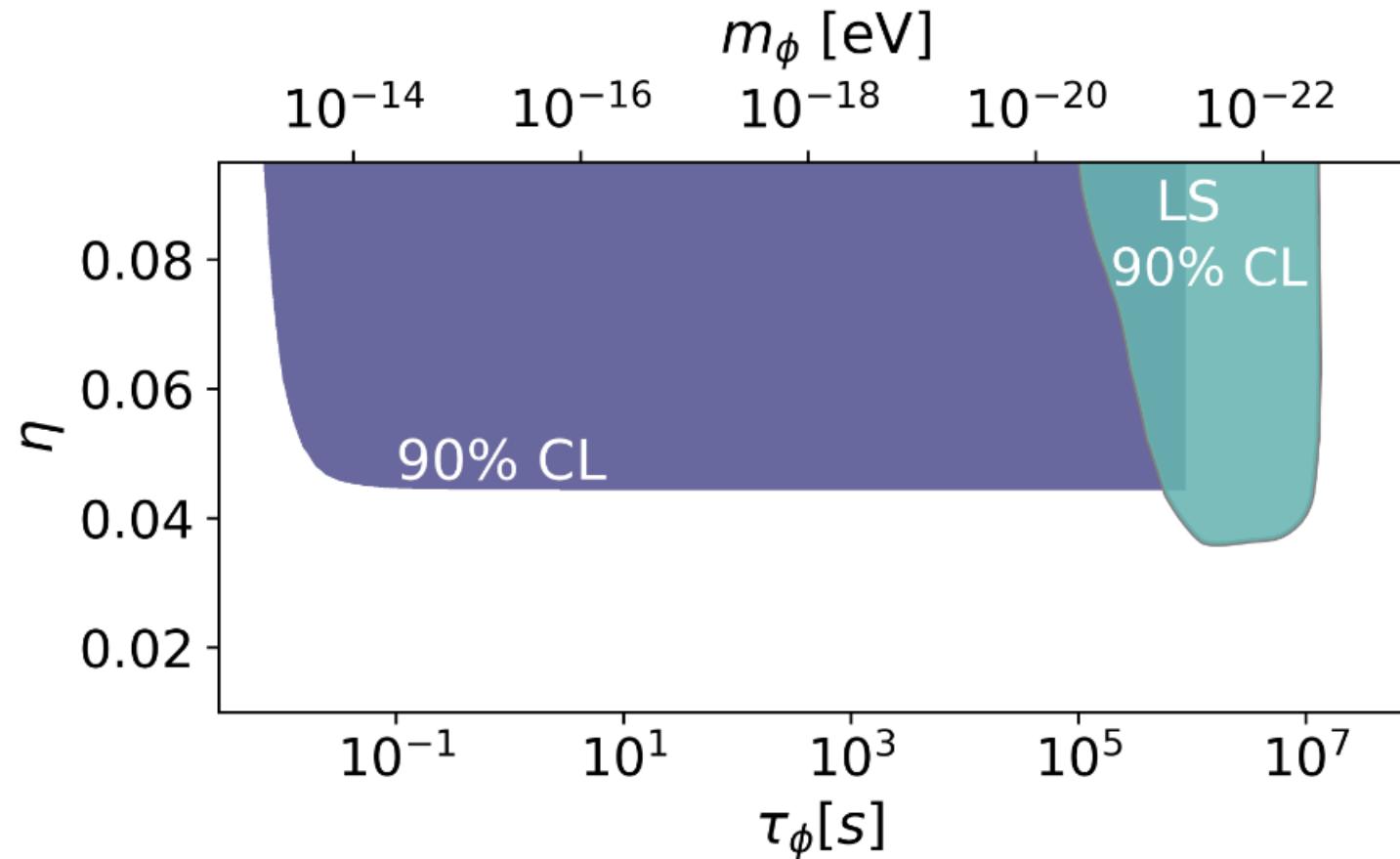


$$\hat{Q}_{AB}^I = \sum_{d=3}^{\infty} Q_{AB}^{(d)I\alpha_1\alpha_2\dots\alpha_{d-3}} p_{\alpha_1} p_{\alpha_2} \dots p_{\alpha_{d-3}}$$

These coefficients can lead to a modification of the effective neutrino mass measured in beta decay (and in some cases, also to the endpoint energy)

spherical	cartesian	j	number
$(a_{\text{eff}}^{(3)})_{jm}$	$a_l^{(3)\mu}, e_l^{(4)\mu}, q_l^{(4)\mu\nu\rho}$	0, 1, 2	81
$(c_{\text{eff}}^{(2)})_{jm}$	$H_l^{(3)\mu\nu}$	1	27
$(c_{\text{eff}}^{(4)})_{jm}$	$c_L^{(4)\mu\nu}$	0, 1, 2	81
$(g_{\text{eff}}^{(2)})_{jm}$	$a_l^{(3)\mu}$	1	36
$(g_{\text{eff}}^{(4)})_{jm}$	$g_{M+}^{(4)\mu\nu\rho}$	1, 2	96
$(H_{\text{eff}}^{(3)})_{jm}$	$H_{M+}^{(3)\mu\nu}, c_l^{(4)\mu\nu}$	1, 2	48

DUNE limits on ultralight scalar DM



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TIME-VARYING
SIGNAL

AVERAGED
EFFECT

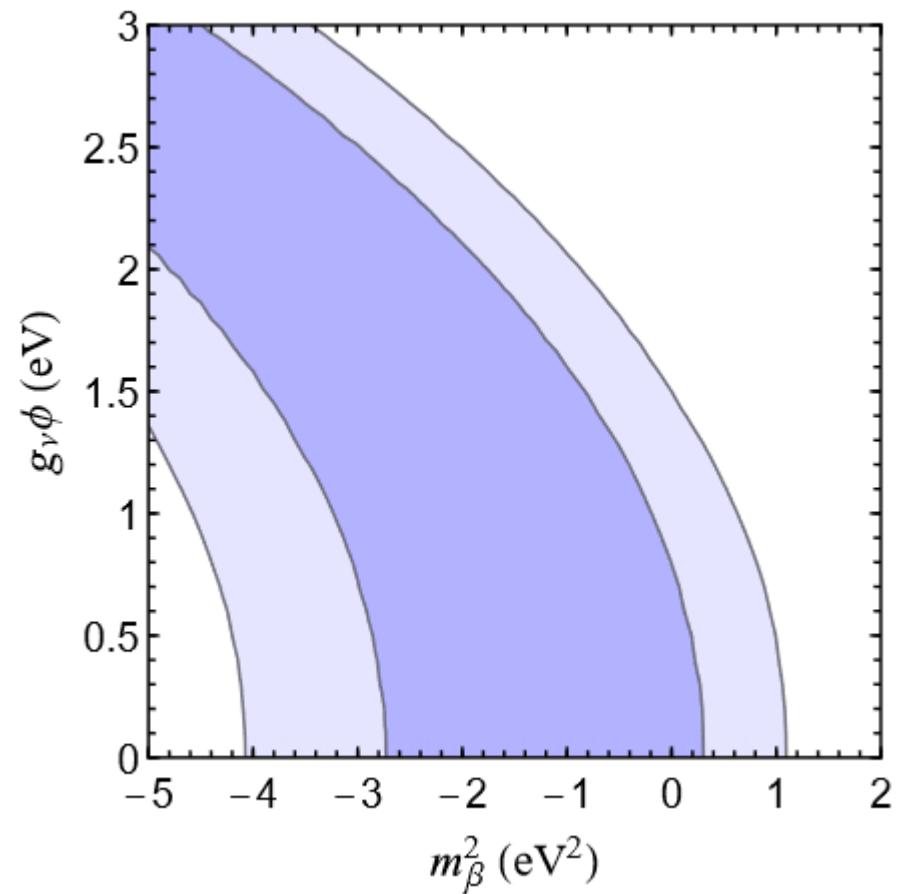
KATRIN limits on ultralight scalar DM

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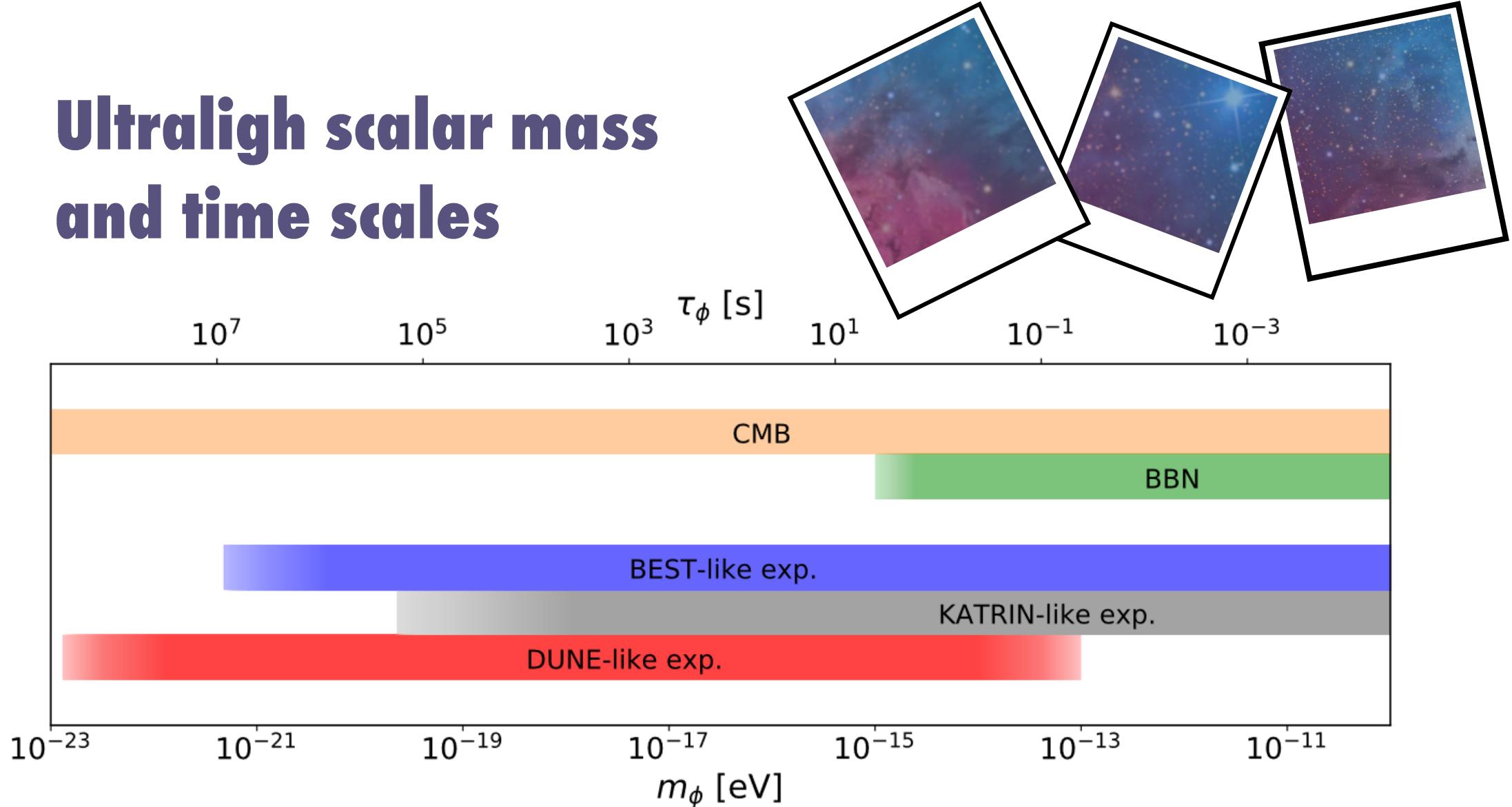
- The inferred upper limits on the effective neutrino mass are **conservative**
- The interaction can lead to **negative values of the effective mass (just like LIV)**



$$\langle \tilde{m}_\beta^2 \rangle = m_\beta^2 + \frac{(g_\nu \phi)^2}{2}$$



Ultralight scalar mass and time scales



For BBN and CMB estimates we require the scalar mass to be larger than the Hubble rate at $T \sim 1\text{MeV}$ and $T \sim 0.3\text{ eV}$ respectively.

