Phenomenology 2025 Symposium



Contribution ID: 119 Type: not specified

Opening up New Parameter Space for Sterile Neutrino Dark Matter

Monday 19 May 2025 14:45 (15 minutes)

Sterile neutrinos are compelling dark matter candidates, yet the minimal Dodelson-Widrow (DW) production mechanism is excluded by astrophysical observations. We propose a scenario where heavy scalar-mediated non-standard interactions (NSI) between active and sterile neutrinos not only alter the DW mechanism but also generate new production channels, such as $\nu_a\nu_a \rightarrow \nu_s\nu_s$. This framework enables efficient sterile neutrino production at smaller mixing angles and opens new viable regions of parameter space.

Mini Symposia (Invited Talks Only)

Plenary (Invited talks only)

Authors: UR, Aaroodd; DEV, Bhupal (Washington University in St. Louis); Prof. DUTTA, Bhaskar; GOSWAMI,

Srubabati (Physical Research Laboraotory); TANG, Jianrong (Washington University in St. Louis)

Presenter: UR, Aaroodd

Session Classification: Dark Matter

Track Classification: Dark Matter Theory and Detection