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Looking at the flavor composition of solar neutrinos

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We examine solar neutrinos in dark matter detectors, focusing on flavor-dependent radiative corrections to the coherent elastic neutrino-nucleus scattering ($\text{CE}\nu\text{NS}$) cross section within a three-flavor framework, incorporating matter effects from the Sun and Earth. Detectors with thresholds

lesssim1 keV and exposures of ~ 100 ton-years could probe beyond-tree-level effects and offer unique insights into the muon and tau components of the solar neutrino flux. Recent CE ν NS measurements by PandaX-4T and XENONnT provide sensitivity to non-standard interactions (NSI) and tau-flavor parameters, marking a significant advancement in neutrino physics. Complementary studies of neutrino-electron scattering in Borexino, and future data from JUNO, could further probe ν_{μ} and ν_{τ} contributions and test novel physics such as non-unitary evolution and U(1) $_{L\mu-L\tau}$ interactions.

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