

Title: Distorted Neutrino Oscillations (DiNOs) from ultra light, bosonic dark matter

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Abstract:

# DiNOs

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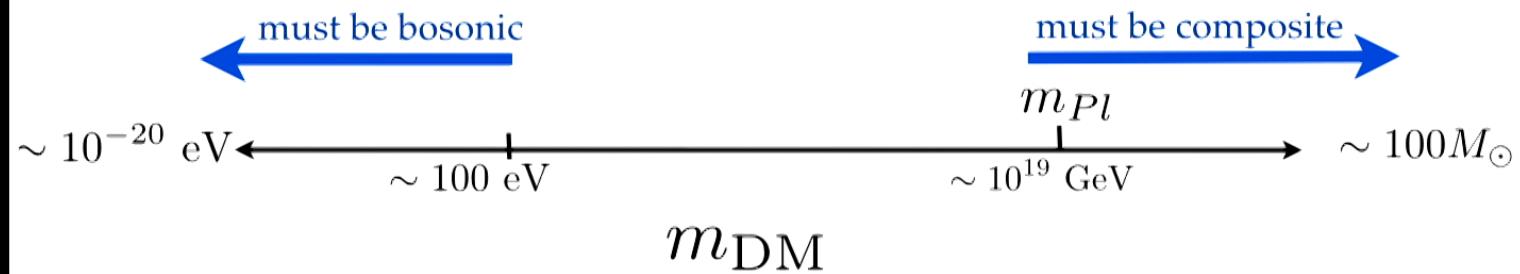
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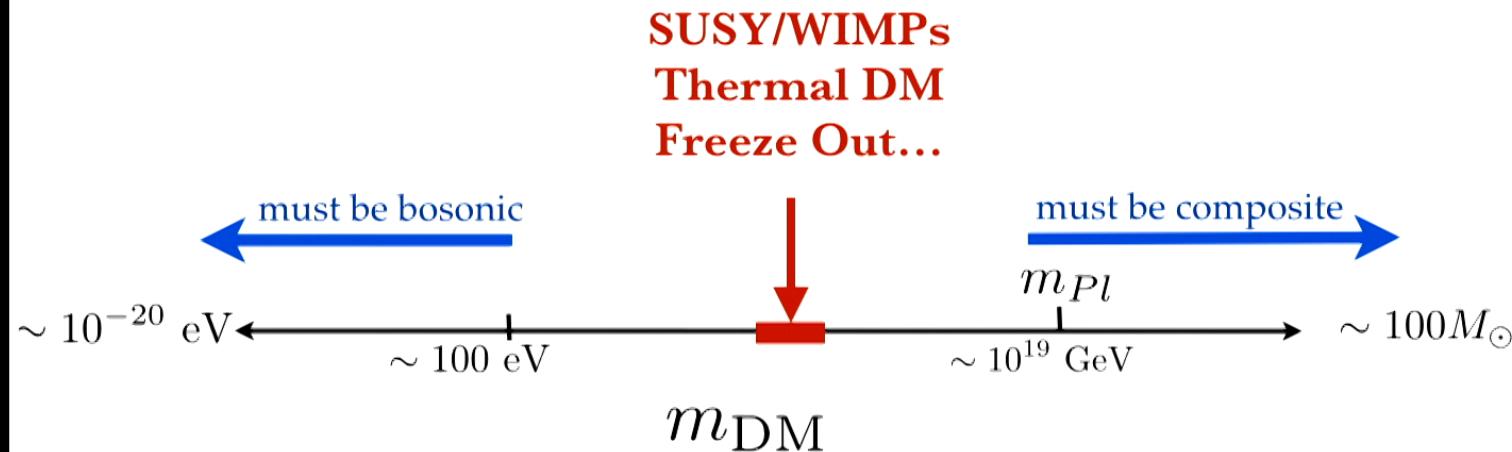
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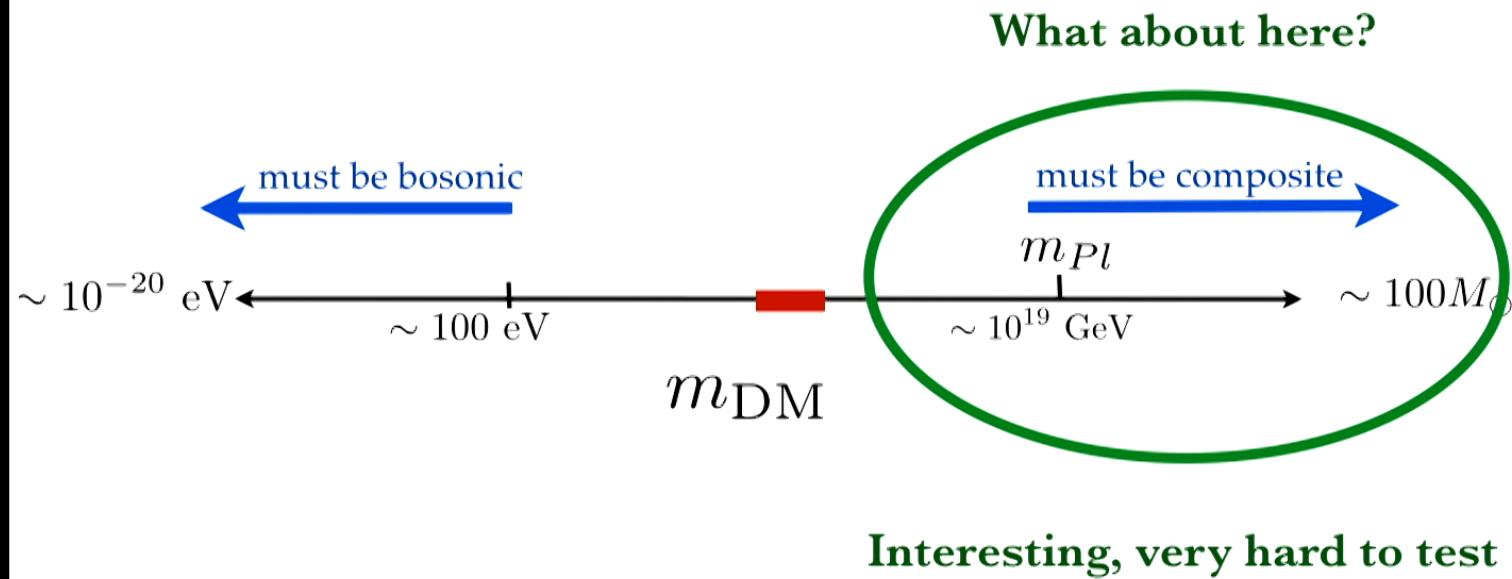
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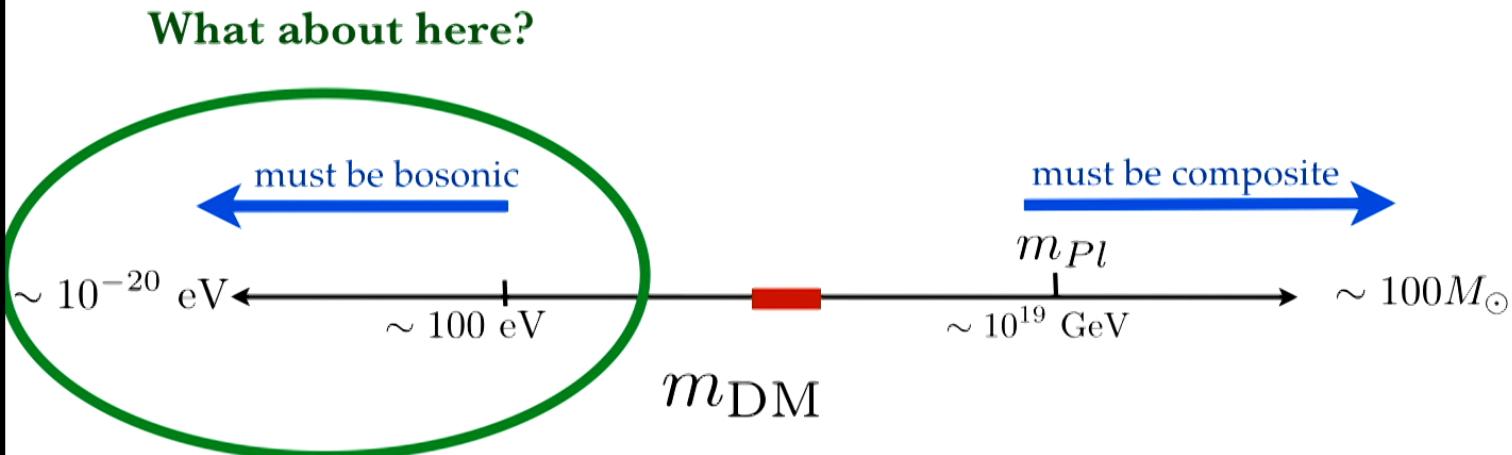
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What do you do, sir?"

- John Maynard Keynes

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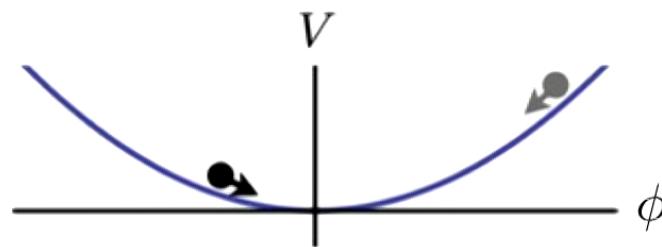


**Behaves like classical field**  
**Non thermal production**  
**Gunn Tremaine bound**

**Lots of UV scenarios (axions, alps, dilatons...)**

# Misalignment Mechanism

(quasi) stable bosonic field displaced during early universe



$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + m_\phi^2\phi = 0$$

$$\phi \propto a^{-3/2} \cos(m_\phi t)$$

Begins oscillation @ horizon crossing

$$m_\phi \sim H$$

Redshifts like non relativistic matter

$$\rho_\phi \sim m_\phi^2 \phi^2 \propto a^{-3}$$

High occupation number (field like)

$$\rho_\phi = \rho_{\text{DM}}^\odot \quad \& \quad m_\phi \lesssim \text{few eV} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lambda_\phi \gg n_\phi^{-1/3}$$

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**Rich variety of physical effects**  
**Broad class of models**

Graham, Mardon, Kaplan, Rajendran, Terrano 1512.06165

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Time variation in masses and couplings (e.g. Higgs portal)

Currently tested with atomic clocks & accelerometers

Q: How can we probe this effect in neutrinos?

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3) **Sweet Spot:**  $T_{\text{exp}} < \tau_\phi < T_{\nu \text{ TOF}}$

Each neutrino samples nearly \*static\* field in flight  
but, different neutrinos feel different phases

**Verdict: Interesting**

# Neutrino Oscillation Observables

## 2 Flavour Example

Standard Calculation     $P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\alpha) = 1 - \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m^2 L}{4E} \right)$

Include Distortion     $\Delta m^2 = \Delta m^2[\phi(t)]$      $\theta = \theta[\phi(t)]$

**Observed probability: period average**

$$\langle P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) \rangle = \int_0^{\tau_\phi} \frac{dt}{\tau_\phi} P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta)$$

**Agnostic about flavor structure, consider effects in isolation**  
qualitatively similar for additional flavors

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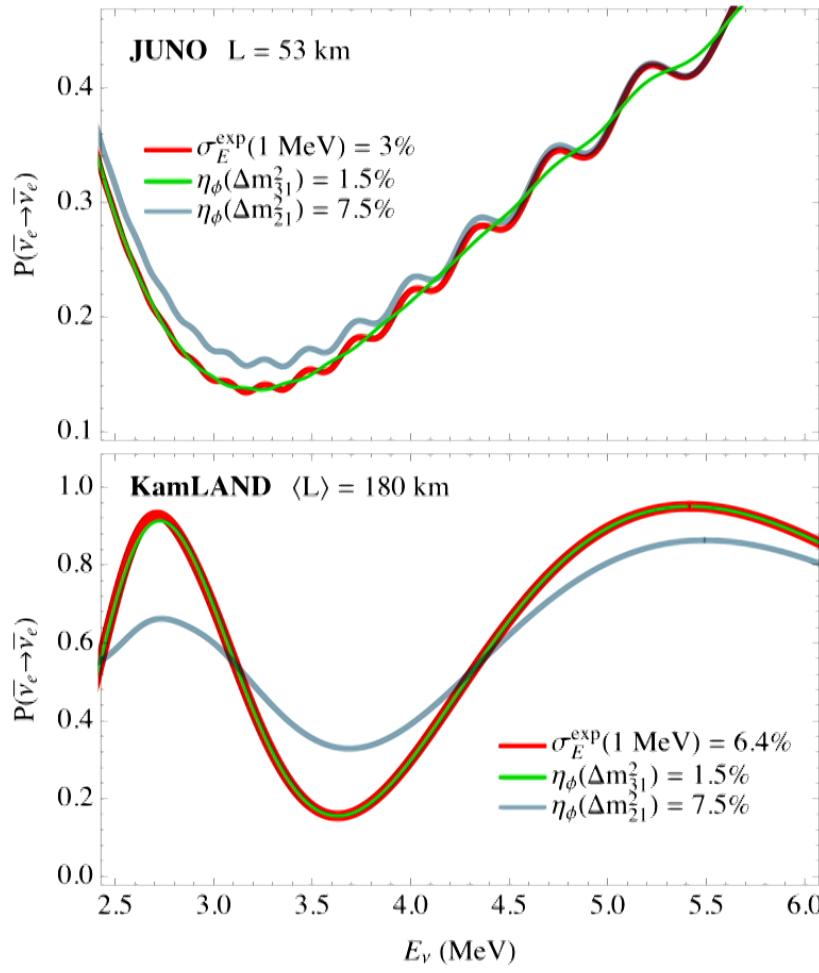
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## Mass Squared Modulation

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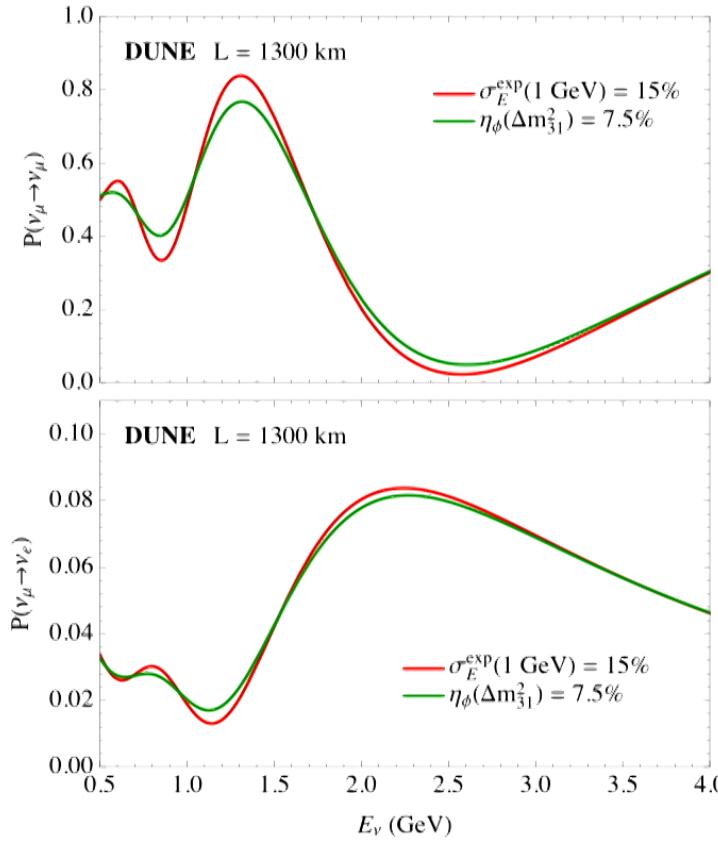
**Existing bounds from**  $\Delta m_{21}^2$  (**KamLAND**)

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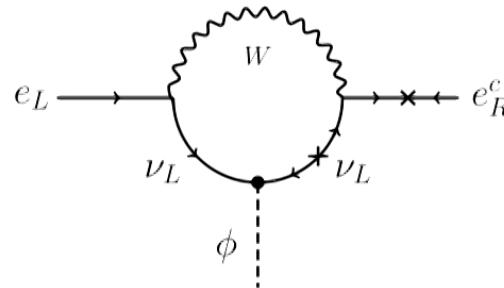
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# Constraint: Charged Lepton Variation?

Irreducible time dependence in charged sector



$$\frac{\delta m_e}{m_e} \sim \frac{G_F m_\nu^2}{16\pi^2} \eta_\phi \sim 10^{-28} \left( \frac{\eta_\phi}{0.1} \right),$$

Numerically negligible!

But, model dependent effect can arise from Higgs mixing

$$\phi H^\dagger H \quad \phi^2 H^\dagger H$$

# Constraint: CMB Neutrino Masses

**DM density larger at earlier times**

$$\eta_\phi(z) \sim \left( \frac{\delta m_\nu}{m_\nu} \right) \propto (1+z)^{3/2}$$

**CMB (Planck)**

$$\sum m_{\nu_i} \lesssim 0.23 \text{ eV}$$

**If coupled to heaviest eigenstates**

$$\eta_\phi(z=0) \equiv \frac{\sqrt{2\rho_\phi^\odot}}{\Lambda m_\phi} \lesssim 9 \times 10^{-3}$$

**If coupled to lightest eigenstates**

$$\eta_\phi(z=0) \equiv \frac{\sqrt{2\rho_\phi^\odot}}{\Lambda m_\phi} \lesssim 0.1$$

**Irrelevant if field is not dynamical @ recombination  
(but then it can't be all of the DM)**

## Constraint: SN 1987a

Can contribute to energy loss via neutrino annihilation

$$\sigma(\nu\nu \rightarrow \phi\phi) \sim \frac{1}{T^2} \left( \frac{m_\nu}{\Lambda} \right)^4$$

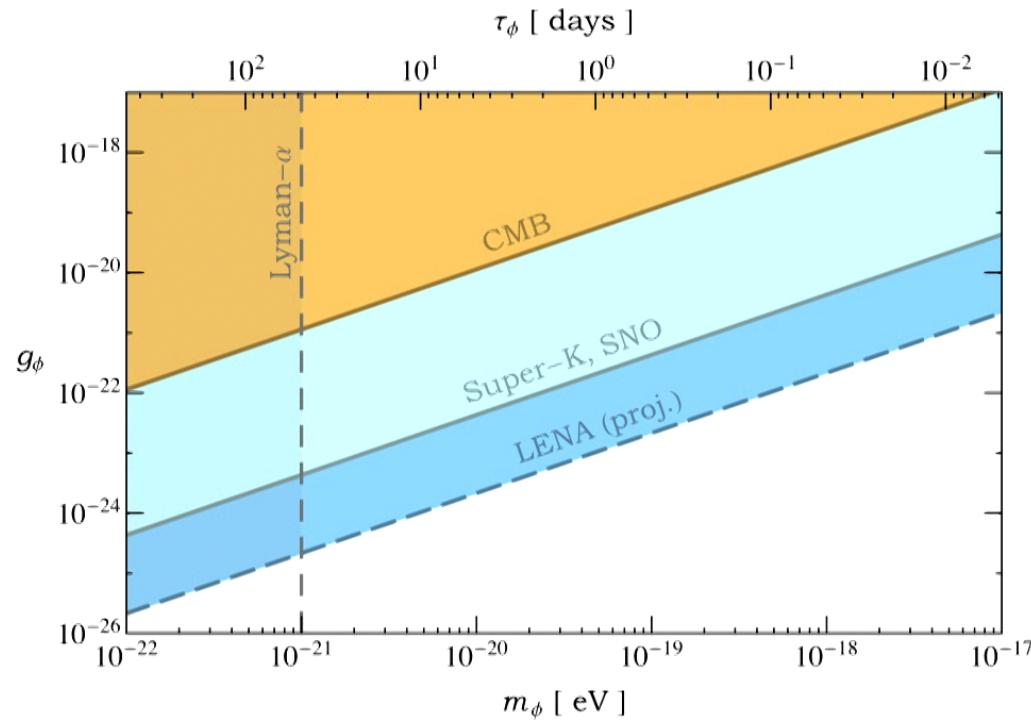
For  $T \sim 30$  MeV order one energy loss correction for

$$\Delta E_\phi \sim 4 \times 10^{50} \text{ erg} \left( \frac{50 \text{ keV}}{\Lambda} \right)^4 \left( \frac{\Delta t}{10 \text{ sec}} \right)$$

**Demands**  $\Lambda \lesssim 50$  keV if DM couples to heavy eigenstate

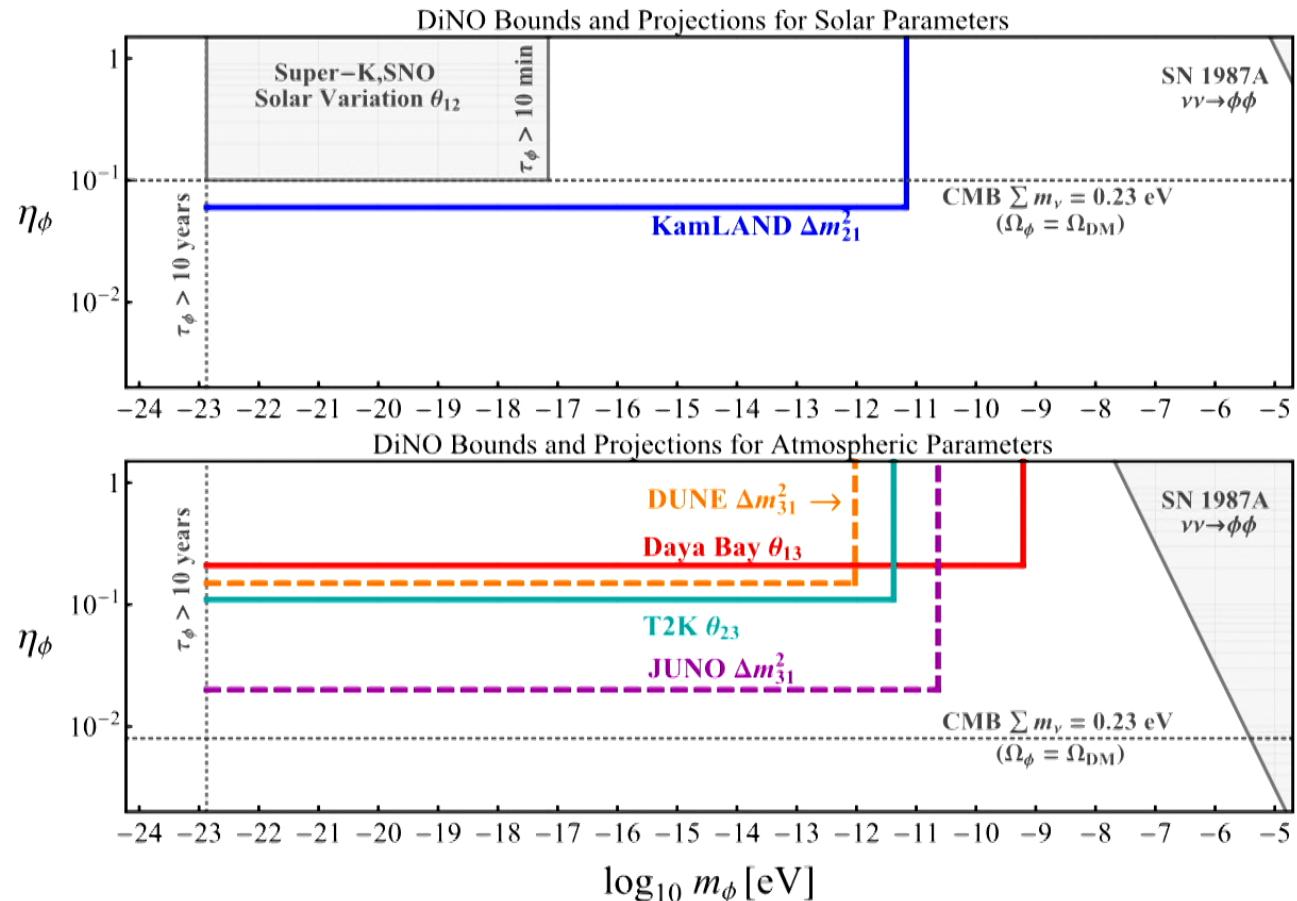
(weaker if coupled to lighter neutrinos)

# Constraints: Solar Flux Periodicity



**Berlin 1512.06165**

$$g_\phi \rightarrow \frac{m_\nu}{\Lambda} \implies \eta_\phi \lesssim 10^{-1} \quad \text{for } m_\phi < 10^{-17} \text{ eV}$$



dashed = projection  
solid = excluded

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# Conclusion

## Long baseline experiments are DM detectors

Ultra light fields modulate masses/couplings/oscillations

## Large neutrino modulation effect possible

Fractional effect  $\sim 10\%$  allowed in neutrino sectors

Can be large even if subdominant DM fraction

## Shifts extremal angles & distorts L/E dependence

Existing bounds from maximal/minimal measurements

## Future experiments

Can greatly improve reach (JUNO, DUNE...)

Interesting **dedicated** analyses possible

