Reactor CEvNS constraints improve robustness of neutrino mass ordering determination

Thursday, 23 March 2023 09:40 (15 minutes)

In neutrino oscillation physics numerous exact degeneracies exist under the name LMA-Dark which make it impossible to determine the sign of the atmospheric mass splitting in oscillation experiments. I will discuss how new data from the Dresden-II experiment completely removes the degeneracies in the ν_e sector for mediators down to the MeV scale at which point constraints from the early universe take over. While the LMA-Dark degeneracy is lifted in the ν_e sector, it can still be restored in the ν_{μ} and ν_{τ} sector or with very specific couplings to up and down quarks, and we speculate on a path forward.

Primary authors: GEHRLEIN, Julia (CERN); Dr DENTON, Peter (Brookhaven National Laboratory)

Presenter: GEHRLEIN, Julia (CERN)

Session Classification: Phenomenology/ Theory