

Exploring new physics at ESSnuSB+

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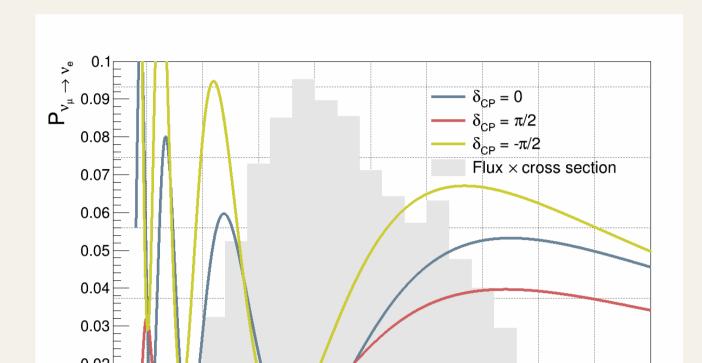
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Scalar Non Standard Interactions

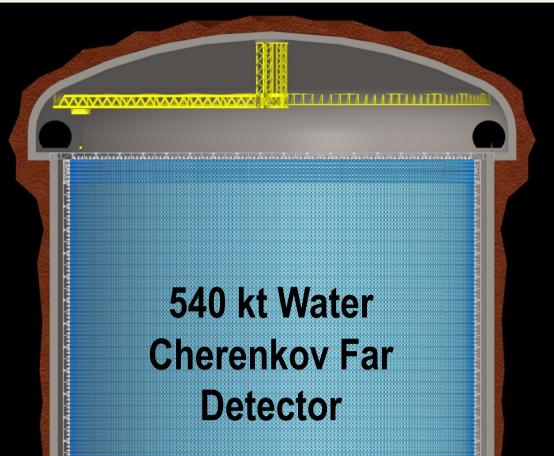
Scalar Non Standard Interactions (sNSI) are four-fermions interactions mediated by a heavy scalar particle. The interaction lagrangian modifies the mass neutrino mass matrix with a shift that can be parameterized as

$$\delta M = \sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_{ee} & \eta_{e\mu} & \eta_{e\tau} \\ \eta_{\mu e} & \eta_{\mu\mu} & \eta_{\mu\tau} \\ \eta_{\tau e} & \eta_{\tau\mu} & \eta_{\tau\tau} \end{pmatrix}$$

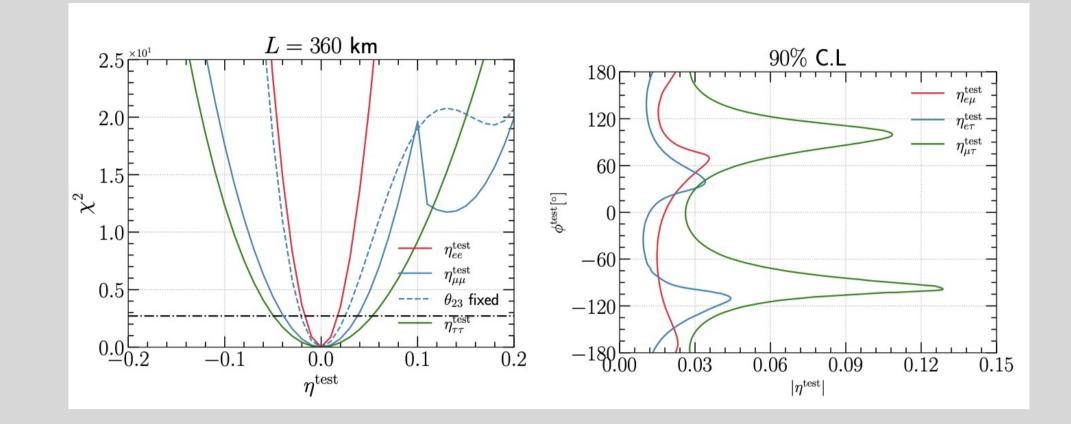
Where the new parameters η -s depends on the fermion density of the medium that neutrino crosses, on the mediator mass and on the new interactions' couplings.



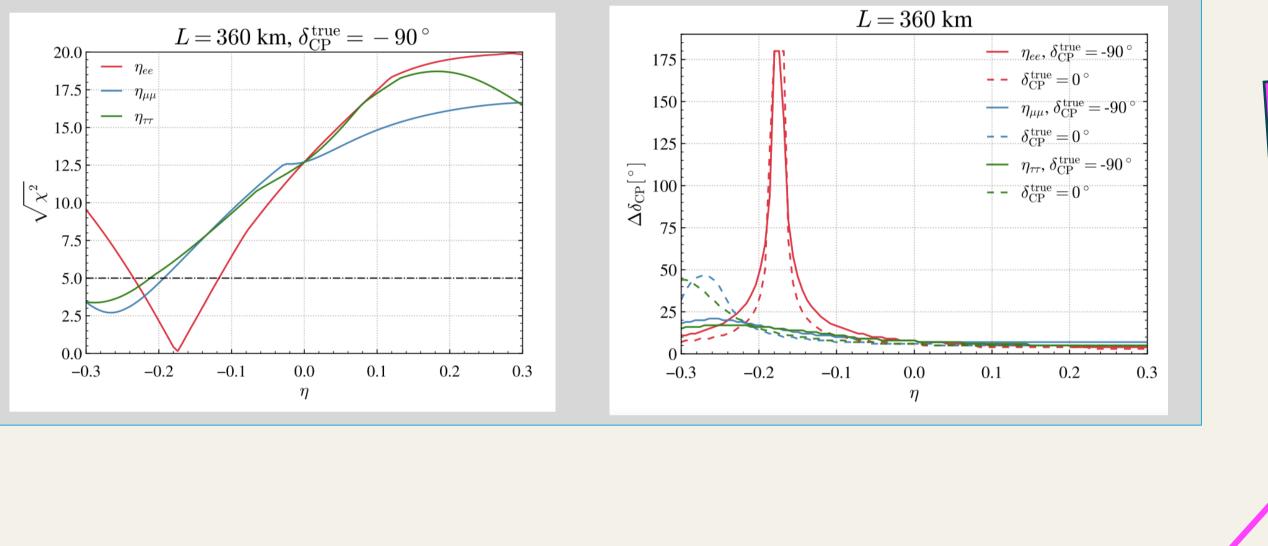
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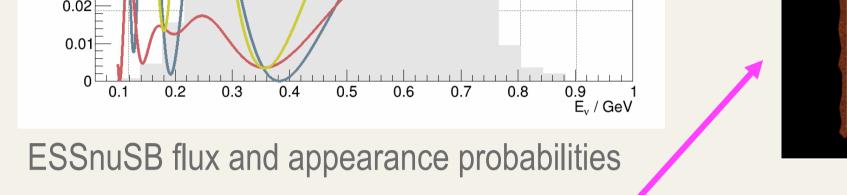






CPV sensitivity and precision unaltered except for a specific $\eta_{e\mu}$ negative value for which the appearance probability becomes independent from δ_{CP} .



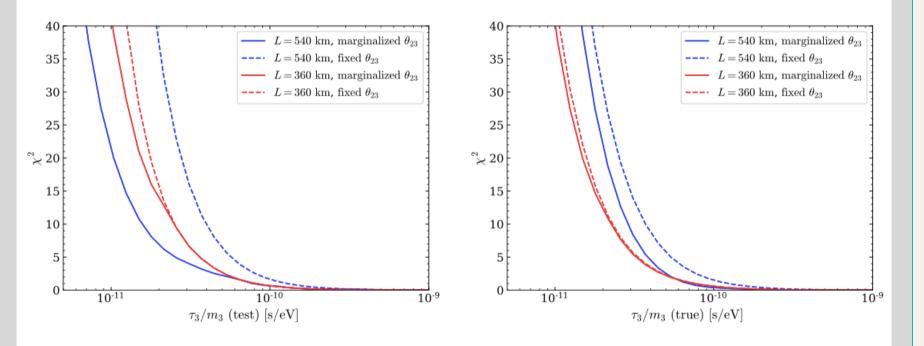


Invisible neutrino decay

If an extremely light or massless particle could mediate the neutrino decay into invisible, sterile states, the oscillation probabilities result to be exponentially depleted by a factor

$$e^{-\frac{m_3 L}{\tau_3 2E}}$$

Which depends on the heaviest neutrino mass and lifetime (in NO they correspond to the third eigenstate properties)



Better results than next-generation experiments ones. <u>CPV</u> sensitivity remains strong!

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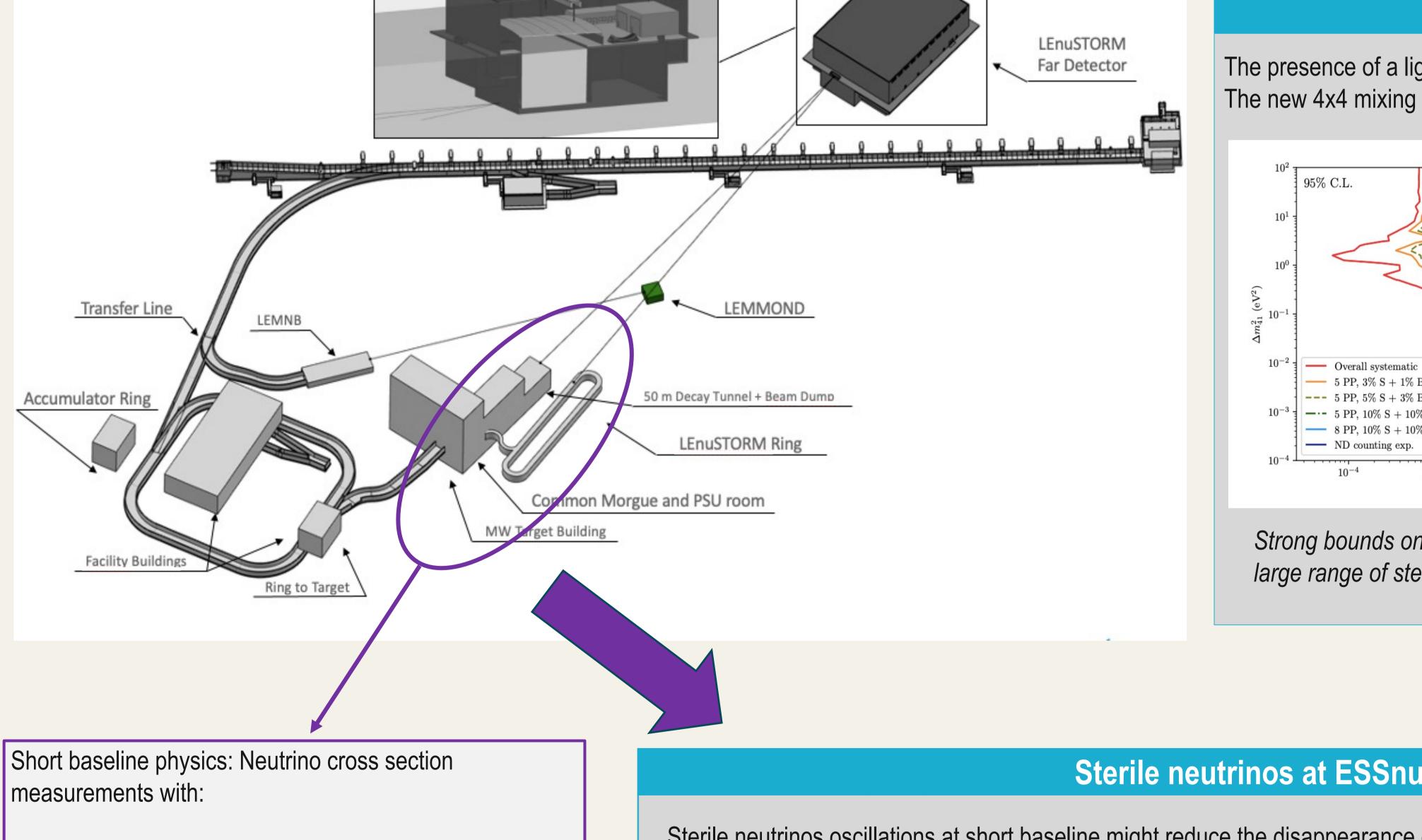
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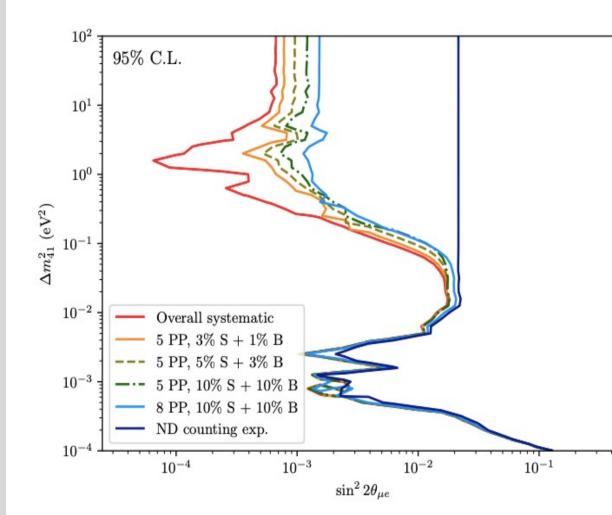
 δ_{13} (true) [⁰]





Sterile neutrinos at ESSnuSB

The presence of a light sterile neutrino modifies the oscillation physics at long baseline. The new 4x4 mixing matrix can be probed comparing far and near detector data.



Strong bounds on active-sterile mixing for a large range of sterile mass splitting values

Non-negligible sensitivity to CPV due to sterile states

δ₂₄ (true) [⁰]

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Sterile neutrinos at ESSnuSB+ near detectors

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- **ENUBET-like** low energy monitored muon neutrino beam
- nuSTORM-like low energy muon and electron neutrino beam from muon decays

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Sterile neutrinos oscillations at short baseline might reduce the disappearance events or create unexpected appearance events

$$P_{\mu e} = sin^{2} (2\theta_{\mu e}) sin^{2} \left(\frac{\Delta m_{41}^{2} L}{4E}\right) \qquad P_{\mu \mu} = 1 - sin^{2} (2\theta_{\mu \mu}) sin^{2} \left(\frac{\Delta m_{41}^{2} L}{4E}\right)$$
LEnuSTORM: two detectors fit, might resolve oscillation for $\Delta m_{41}^{2} - 1 eV^{2}$

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