
WDM and Ly α -forest: the importance of thermal history

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Abstract

We reanalyse the Ly- α forest data from distant and bright quasar spectra at $z \sim 5.0$ that have already been considered. Our results are compatible with dark matter constituted by sterile neutrinos of mass $m = 7 \text{ keV}$. We put new robust constraints on the warm dark matter mass.

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