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Many heavy ($m > 100 \text{ TeV}$) dark matter models predict the dark matter particle to decay into standard model particles, including neutrinos.

These neutrinos would produce a unique signal, both in terms of their energy and angular distributions, in the IceCube detector. This talk describes the search for such a signal using two years of high energy cascade data.

A combination of a dark matter decay signal and known backgrounds would be fitted to the data and compared to simulations. If no signal is observed, this analysis is expected to set a new lower limit on the lifetime of heavy dark matter particles. In the talk I will present the sensitivities and the first results.

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