

A non-renormalizable $B-L$ model with $Q_4 \times Z_4 \times Z_2$ flavor symmetry for cobimaximal neutrino mixing

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Abstract: We construct a non-renormalizable gauge $B-L$ model based on $Q_4 \times Z_4 \times Z_2$ symmetry that successfully explains the cobimaximal lepton mixing scheme. Small active neutrino masses and both neutrino mass hierarchies are produced via the type-I seesaw mechanism at the tree-level. The model is predictive; hence, it reproduces the cobimaximal lepton mixing scheme, and the reactor neutrino mixing angle θ_{13} and the solar neutrino mixing angle θ_{12} can obtain best-fit values from recent experimental data. Our model also predicts the effective neutrino mass parameters of $m_\beta \in (8.80, 9.05) \text{ meV}$ and $\langle m_{ee} \rangle \in (3.65, 3.95) \text{ meV}$ for normal ordering (NO) and $m_\beta \in (49.16, 49.21) \text{ meV}$ and $\langle m_{ee} \rangle \in (48.59, 48.67) \text{ meV}$ for inverted ordering (IO), which are highly consistent with recent experimental constraints.

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I. INTRODUCTION

The allowed regions for the neutrino oscillation parameters, including neutrino mass squared differences, leptonic mixing angles, and the Dirac CP violating phase, taken from Ref. [1], are shown in Table 1. This confirms that the Standard Model (SM) must be extended to explain these experimental data.

Among various extensions of the SM, the $B-L$ gauge model [2-21] is a promising candidate because it can explain various phenomena, such as the neutrino mass [14], leptogenesis [7, 21], dark matter [9-13, 16], the muon anomalous magnetic moment [14], gravitational wave radiation [8], and inflation [20]. However, by itself, this model cannot give a natural explanation for fermion mixing. Non-Abelian discrete symmetries have shown many outstanding advantages in explaining the observed patterns of fermion masses and mixing, and have been widely used in literature.

An observed lepton mixing scenario can be successfully described using the cobimaximal mixing pattern (a pattern that predicts $\theta_{13} \neq 0$, $\theta_{23} = \frac{\pi}{4}$ and $\delta_{\text{CP}} = -\frac{\pi}{2}$), which has recently gained wider attention [22-29]. In order to explain the cobimaximal neutrino mixing pattern, alternative discrete symmetries have been used [22-29] with more than one $SU(2)_L$ Higgs doublet. However, the

cobimaximal neutrino mixing pattern has not previously been considered in models with Q_4 symmetry. There are substantial differences between previous studies and this study regarding the explanation of the cobimaximal neutrino mixing pattern [22-29], namely, the cobimaximal lepton mixing form obtained with A_4 symmetry and three $SU(2)_L$ Higgs doublets in the lepton sector with a general neutrino mass matrix [23], in one loop with the symmetry $Z_2 \times A_4 \times Z_2 \times U(1)_D$ and two $SU(2)_L$ Higgs doublets [24], with the symmetry $S_3 \times Z_2$ and two $SU(2)_L$ doublets [25], with the symmetry $S_3 \times Z_2$ and four $SU(2)_L$ doublets [26], with the symmetry $U(1)_X \times U(1)_L \times U(1)_D \times \Delta(27) \times Z_2 \times Z_3$ and three $SU(2)_L$ doublets [27], with the symmetry $U(1)_X \times \Delta(27) \times Z_4 \times R_L$ and four $SU(2)_L$ doublets [28], and with the symmetry $\Delta(27) \times Z_2 \times Z_{10}$ and two $SU(2)_L$ doublets [29]. In this study, we suggest a non-renormalizable gauge $B-L$ model based on the flavor symmetry $Q_4 \times Z_4 \times Z_2$ in which the first family of the left-handed lepton (ψ_{1L}) is put in $\mathbf{1}_2$ while the two others ($\psi_{2,3L}$) are put in $\mathbf{2}$ of Q_4 . For the right-handed leptons, the first family (l_{1R}) is put in $\mathbf{1}_4$ while the two others ($l_{2,3R}$) are put in $\mathbf{2}$ of Q_4 . For the right-handed neutrinos, the first family (ν_{1R}) is put in $\mathbf{1}_1$ while the two others ($\nu_{2,3R}$) are put in $\mathbf{2}$ of Q_4 . As a result, the neutrino mass hierarchies, the tiny neutrino masses, and the cobimaximal lepton mixing pattern are

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Table 1. Neutrino oscillation parameters taken from Ref. [1].

Parameters	Normal Hierarchy (NH)	Inverted hierarchy (IH)
	bfp $\pm 1\sigma$	bfp $\pm 1\sigma$
$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	0.318 ± 0.016	0.318 ± 0.016
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	0.574 ± 0.014	$0.578^{+0.010}_{-0.017}$
$\frac{\sin^2 \theta_{13}}{10^{-2}}$	$2.200^{+0.069}_{-0.062}$	$2.225^{+0.064}_{-0.070}$
δ_{CP}/π	$1.08^{+0.13}_{-0.12}$	$1.58^{+0.15}_{-0.16}$
$\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2}$	$7.50^{+0.22}_{-0.20}$	$7.50^{+0.22}_{-0.20}$
$\frac{ \Delta m_{31}^2 }{10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2}$	$2.55^{+0.02}_{-0.03}$	$2.45^{+0.02}_{-0.03}$

generated at tree-level. Q_4 is the smallest group of the binary dihedral group Q_N with $N = 4$, whose five irreducible representations are denoted as $\mathbf{1}_k$ ($k = 1, 2, 3, 4$) and $\mathbf{2}$, which are presented in Refs. [30-33]. We will consider the two-dimensional representation $\mathbf{2}$ of Q_4 to be pseudo-real [30-33], i.e., $\mathbf{2}^*(a_1^*, a_2^*) = \mathbf{2}(a_2^*, -a_1^*)$, and its basic tensor product rule is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{2}(a_1, a_2) \otimes \mathbf{2}(b_1, b_2) = & \mathbf{1}_1(a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1) \oplus \mathbf{1}_2(a_1 b_1 - a_2 b_2) \\ & \oplus \mathbf{1}_3(a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2) \oplus \mathbf{1}_4(a_1 b_2 + a_2 b_1). \end{aligned}$$

This paper is organized as follows. In Section II, we present the particle content as well as the lepton sector of the model. Section III deals with the numerical analysis, and Section IV contains our conclusions.

II. THE MODEL

In this study, the $B-L$ model [14, 17] is supplemented by $Q_4 \times Z_4 \times Z_2$ symmetry; the total symmetry of our model is $\Gamma \equiv SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \times U(1)_{B-L} \times Q_4 \times Z_4 \times Z_2$. Moreover, three $SU(2)_L$ singlet scalars (χ, ρ, η) with $B-L = 0$ and one $SU(2)_L$ singlet scalar (φ) with $B-L = 2$ are added to the $B-L$ model particle content to describe the observed lepton mixing. The particle content of the model is summarized in Table 2.

Table 2. Particle and scalar content of the model ($\alpha = 2, 3$).

Fields	ψ_{1L}	$\psi_{\alpha L}$	l_{1R}	$l_{\alpha R}$	ν_{1R}	$\nu_{\alpha R}$	H	χ	ρ	η	ϕ	φ
$SU(3)_C$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$
$SU(2)_L$	$\mathbf{2}$	$\mathbf{2}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{2}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$	$\mathbf{1}$
$U(1)_Y$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	-1	-1	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	0	0	0
$U(1)_{B-L}$	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	0	0	0	0	2	2
Q_4	$\mathbf{1}_2$	$\mathbf{2}$	$\mathbf{1}_4$	$\mathbf{2}$	$\mathbf{1}_1$	$\mathbf{2}$	$\mathbf{1}_1$	$\mathbf{1}_3$	$\mathbf{1}_4$	$\mathbf{2}$	$\mathbf{1}_1$	$\mathbf{1}_2$
Z_4	1	1	$-i$	$-i$	i	i	i	1	1	1	-1	-1
Z_2	$+$	$+$	$-$	$-$	$+$	$+$	$-$	$+$	$-$	$-$	$+$	$+$

The scalar potential minimum condition, as shown in Appendix A, yields the vacuum expectation value (VEV) of scalars.

$$\begin{aligned} \langle H \rangle &= (0 \ v_H)^T, \quad \langle \chi \rangle = v_\chi, \quad \langle \rho \rangle = v_\rho, \\ \langle \eta \rangle &= (\langle \eta_1 \rangle, \langle \eta_2 \rangle), \quad \langle \eta_1 \rangle = \langle \eta_2 \rangle = v_\eta, \\ \langle \phi \rangle &= v_\phi, \quad \langle \varphi \rangle = (\langle \varphi_1 \rangle, \langle \varphi_2 \rangle), \quad \langle \varphi_1 \rangle = \langle \varphi_2 \rangle = v_\varphi. \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

From the particle content given in Table 2 and the tensor products of Q_4 , the charged lepton masses can arise from the couplings of $\bar{\psi}_{(1,\alpha)L(1,\alpha)R}$ to scalars, where $\bar{\psi}_{1L} l_{1R}$ transform to $\left(1, 2, -\frac{1}{2}, 0, \mathbf{1}_3, -i, -\right)$, $\bar{\psi}_{1L} l_{\alpha R} \sim \bar{\psi}_{\alpha L} l_{1R} \sim \left(1, 2, -\frac{1}{2}, 0, \mathbf{2}, -i, -\right)$, and $\bar{\psi}_{\alpha L} l_{\alpha R} \sim (1, 2, -\frac{1}{2}, 0, \mathbf{1}_1 \oplus \mathbf{1}_2 \oplus \mathbf{1}_3 \oplus \mathbf{1}_4, -i, -)$. Thus, to generate masses for the charged leptons, we require one $SU(2)_L$ doublet H and one $SU(2)_L$ singlet χ placed in $\mathbf{1}_1$ and $\mathbf{1}_3$ under Q_4 , respectively. The Yukawa interactions in the charged lepton sector are

$$\begin{aligned} -\mathcal{L}_Y^{\text{clep}} = & \frac{x_1^{cl}}{\Lambda} (\bar{\psi}_{1L} l_{1R})_{\mathbf{1}_3} (H\chi)_{\mathbf{1}_3} + x_2^{cl} (\bar{\psi}_{\alpha L} l_{\alpha R})_{\mathbf{1}_1} H \\ & + \frac{x_3^{cl}}{\Lambda} (\bar{\psi}_{\alpha L} l_{\alpha R})_{\mathbf{1}_3} (H\chi)_{\mathbf{1}_3} + \text{H.c.} \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

It is noted that $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} l_{1R})H$ is forbidden by the Z_4 symmetry; $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} l_{1R})H\rho$ and $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} l_{1R})H\eta$ are forbidden by the Q_4 symmetry; $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} l_{1R})H\phi$ and $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} l_{1R})H\varphi$ are forbidden by two symmetries, Q_4 and $B-L$; $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} l_{\alpha R})H$ and $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} l_{\alpha R})H\chi$ are forbidden by the Q_4 symmetry; $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} l_{\alpha R})H\rho$ is forbidden by the Q_4 and Z_2 symmetries; $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} l_{\alpha R})H\eta$ is forbidden by the Z_2 symmetry; $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} l_{\alpha R})H\phi$ and $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} l_{\alpha R})H\varphi$ are forbidden by three symmetries, Q_4, Z_4 , and $B-L$; $(\bar{\psi}_{\alpha L} l_{\alpha R})H\rho$ and $(\bar{\psi}_{\alpha L} l_{\alpha R})H\eta$ are forbidden by two symmetries, Q_4 and Z_2 ; and $(\bar{\psi}_{\alpha L} l_{\alpha R})H\phi$ and $(\bar{\psi}_{\alpha L} l_{\alpha R})H\varphi$ are forbidden by three symmetries, Q_4, Z_4 , and $B-L$. In the charged-lepton sector, the invariant Yukawa interactions are shown in Eq. (2). With the help of Eq. (1), the Lagrangian mass term of the charged

leptons can be written in the form

$$-\mathcal{L}_l^{\text{mass}} = (\bar{l}_{1L}, \bar{l}_{2L}, \bar{l}_{3L}) M_l (l_{1R}, l_{2R}, l_{3R})^T + \text{H.c.}, \quad (3)$$

where

$$M_l = \begin{pmatrix} a_l & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b_l & -c_l \\ 0 & c_l & b_l \end{pmatrix}, \quad (4)$$

with

$$a_l = \frac{x_1^{cl}}{\Lambda} v_H v_\chi, \quad b_l = x_2^{cl} v_H, \quad c_l = \frac{x_3^{cl}}{\Lambda} v_H v_\chi. \quad (5)$$

Let us first define a Hermitian matrix m_l , given by

$$m_l = M_l^\dagger M_l = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_l & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \beta_l & i\gamma_l \\ 0 & -i\gamma_l & \beta_l \end{pmatrix}, \quad (6)$$

where

$$\alpha_l = a_{0l}^2, \quad \beta_l = b_{0l}^2 + c_{0l}^2, \quad \gamma_l = 2b_{0l}c_{0l}\sin\varphi_l, \quad (7)$$

and $\varphi_l = \varphi_b - \varphi_c$, $a_{0l} = |a_l|$, $b_{0l} = |b_l|$, $c_{0l} = |c_l|$, and $\varphi_b = \arg(b_l)$, $\varphi_c = \arg(c_l)$.

The matrix m_l can be diagonalized by $u_{L,R}$, satisfying $u_L^\dagger m_l u_R = \text{diag}(m_e^2, m_\mu^2, m_\tau^2)$, where

$$u_L = u_R = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & i & i \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (8)$$

$$m_e^2 = \alpha_l, \quad m_{\mu,\tau}^2 = \beta_l \mp \gamma_l. \quad (9)$$

Comparing the obtained result in Eq. (9) with the experimental values of the charged lepton masses at the weak scale taken from Ref. [34], $m_e = 0.51099$ MeV, $m_\mu = 105.65837$ MeV, $m_\tau = 1776.86$ MeV, we get

$$\alpha_l = 0.261 \text{ MeV}, \quad \beta_l = 1.58 \times 10^6 \text{ MeV}, \quad \gamma_l = 1.57 \times 10^6 \text{ MeV}. \quad (10)$$

Regarding the neutrino sector, the Dirac mass terms are generated from the couplings of $\bar{\psi}_{iL} \nu_{jR}$ ($i, j = 1, 2, 3$) to scalars, where $\bar{\psi}_{1L} \nu_{1R} \sim (1, 2, \frac{1}{2}, 0, \mathbf{1}_2, i, +)$, $\bar{\psi}_{1L} \nu_{\alpha R} \sim \bar{\psi}_{\alpha L} \nu_{1R} \sim (1, 2, \frac{1}{2}, 0, \mathbf{2}, i, +)$, and $\bar{\psi}_{\alpha L} \nu_{\alpha R} \sim (1, 2, \frac{1}{2}, 0, \mathbf{1}_1 \oplus \mathbf{1}_2 \oplus \mathbf{1}_3 \oplus \mathbf{1}_4, i, +)$. The Majorana neutrino masses are generated from

the couplings of $\bar{\nu}_{iR}^c \nu_{jR}$ ($i, j = 1, 2, 3$) to scalars, where $\bar{\nu}_{1R}^c \nu_{1R} \sim (1, 1, 0, -2, \mathbf{1}_1, -1, +)$, $\bar{\nu}_{1R}^c \nu_{\alpha R} \sim \bar{\nu}_{\alpha R}^c \nu_{1R} \sim (1, 1, 0, -2, \mathbf{2}, -1, +)$, and $\bar{\nu}_{\alpha R}^c \nu_{\alpha R} \sim (1, 1, 0, -2, \mathbf{1}_1 \oplus \mathbf{1}_2 \oplus \mathbf{1}_3 \oplus \mathbf{1}_4, -1, +)$. The Yukawa interactions in the neutrino sector are

$$-\mathcal{L}_Y^{\nu} = \frac{x_{1\nu}}{\Lambda} (\bar{\psi}_{1L} \nu_{\alpha R} + \bar{\psi}_{\alpha L} \nu_{1R})_2 (\tilde{H}\eta)_2 + \frac{x_{2\nu}}{\Lambda} (\bar{\psi}_{\alpha L} \nu_{\alpha R})_{\mathbf{1}_3} (\tilde{H}\rho)_{\mathbf{1}_3} + \frac{y_{1\nu}}{2} (\bar{\nu}_{1R}^c \nu_{1R}) \phi + \frac{y_{2\nu}}{2} (\bar{\nu}_{\alpha R}^c \nu_{\alpha R})_{\mathbf{1}_2} \varphi + \text{H.c.} \quad (11)$$

In the neutrino sector, $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} \nu_{1R}) \tilde{H}$ and $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} \nu_{1R}) \tilde{H}\chi$ are forbidden by two symmetries, Q_4 and Z_2 ; $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} \nu_{1R}) \tilde{H}\rho$ and $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} \nu_{1R}) \tilde{H}\eta$ are forbidden by the Q_4 symmetry; $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} \nu_{1R}) \tilde{H}\phi$ is forbidden by four symmetries, $Q_4, Z_4, Z_2, B-L$; $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} \nu_{1R}) \tilde{H}\varphi$ is forbidden by three symmetries, Z_4, Z_2 , and $B-L$. $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} \nu_{\alpha R}) \tilde{H}$ and $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} \nu_{\alpha R}) \tilde{H}\chi$ are forbidden by two symmetries, Q_4 and Z_2 ; $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} \nu_{\alpha R}) \tilde{H}\rho$ is forbidden by the Q_4 symmetry; $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} \nu_{\alpha R}) \tilde{H}\phi$ and $(\bar{\psi}_{1L} \nu_{\alpha R}) \tilde{H}\varphi$ are forbidden by four symmetries, Q_4, Z_4, Z_2 , and $B-L$. $(\bar{\psi}_{\alpha L} \nu_{\alpha R}) \tilde{H}$ and $(\bar{\psi}_{\alpha L} \nu_{\alpha R}) \tilde{H}\chi$ are forbidden by the Z_2 symmetry; $(\bar{\psi}_{\alpha L} \nu_{\alpha R}) \tilde{H}\eta$ is forbidden by the Q_4 symmetry; $(\bar{\psi}_{\alpha L} \nu_{\alpha R}) \tilde{H}\phi$ and $(\bar{\psi}_{\alpha L} \nu_{\alpha R}) \tilde{H}\varphi$ are forbidden by three symmetries, Z_4, Z_2 , and $B-L$. Furthermore, $(\bar{\nu}_{1R}^c \nu_{1R}) H$ is forbidden by four symmetries, $Y, B-L, Z_4$, and Z_2 ; $(\bar{\nu}_{1R}^c \nu_{1R}) \chi$ is forbidden by three symmetries, $B-L, Q_4$, and Z_4 ; $(\bar{\nu}_{1R}^c \nu_{1R}) \rho$ and $(\bar{\nu}_{1R}^c \nu_{1R}) \eta$ are forbidden by four symmetries, $B-L, Q_4, Z_4$, and Z_2 ; and $(\bar{\nu}_{1R}^c \nu_{1R}) \varphi$ is forbidden by the Q_4 symmetry. $(\bar{\nu}_{1R}^c \nu_{\alpha R}) H$ is forbidden by five symmetries, $Y, B-L, Q_4, Z_4$, and Z_2 ; $(\bar{\nu}_{1R}^c \nu_{\alpha R}) \chi$ is forbidden by three symmetries, $B-L, Q_4$, and Z_4 ; $(\bar{\nu}_{1R}^c \nu_{\alpha R}) \rho$ and $(\bar{\nu}_{1R}^c \nu_{\alpha R}) \eta$ are forbidden by four symmetries, $B-L, Q_4, Z_4$, and Z_2 ; and $(\bar{\nu}_{1R}^c \nu_{\alpha R}) \varphi$ and $(\bar{\nu}_{1R}^c \nu_{\alpha R}) \phi$ are forbidden by the Q_4 symmetry. $(\bar{\nu}_{\alpha R}^c \nu_{\alpha R}) H$ is forbidden by four symmetries, $Y, B-L, Z_4$, and Z_2 ; $(\bar{\nu}_{\alpha R}^c \nu_{\alpha R}) \chi$ is forbidden by two symmetries, $B-L$ and Z_4 ; $(\bar{\nu}_{\alpha R}^c \nu_{\alpha R}) \rho$ is forbidden by three symmetries, $B-L, Z_4$, and Z_2 ; and $(\bar{\nu}_{\alpha R}^c \nu_{\alpha R}) \eta$ is forbidden by four symmetries, $B-L, Q_4, Z_4$, and Z_2 . All other terms of the form $(\bar{\nu}_{1R}^c \nu_{1R}) \Phi$, $(\bar{\nu}_{1R}^c \nu_{\alpha R}) \Phi$, and $(\bar{\nu}_{\alpha R}^c \nu_{\alpha R}) \Phi$, where Φ are the combinations of scalar fields such as $H\chi, H\rho, H\eta, H\phi, H\varphi, \chi\rho, \chi\eta, \chi\phi, \chi\varphi$, are forbidden by one or some of the model's symmetries. In addition, $(\bar{\nu}_{\alpha R}^c \nu_{\alpha R})_{\mathbf{1}_1} \phi = (\bar{\nu}_{2R}^c \nu_{3R} - \bar{\nu}_{3R}^c \nu_{2R})_{\mathbf{1}_1} \phi = 0$. For the neutrino sector, the invariant Yukawa interactions are shown in Eq. (11).

With the VEVs given in Eq. (1), we obtain the Dirac and Majorana neutrino mass matrices using the following:

$$M_D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -a_D & a_D \\ a_D & 0 & b_D \\ a_D & b_D & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad M_R = \begin{pmatrix} a_R & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b_R & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -b_R \end{pmatrix}, \quad (12)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_D &= \frac{x_{1\nu}}{\Lambda} v_H v_\eta, \\
 b_D &= \frac{x_{2\nu}}{\Lambda} v_H v_\rho, \\
 a_R &= y_{1\nu} v_\phi, \\
 b_R &= y_{2\nu} v_\varphi.
 \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{\kappa^2+2}} & \frac{\kappa_1}{\sqrt{\kappa_1^2+\tau_1^2+1}} & \frac{\kappa_2}{\sqrt{\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa^2+2}} & \frac{\tau_1}{\sqrt{\kappa_1^2+\tau_1^2+1}} & \frac{\tau_2}{\sqrt{\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa^2+2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa_1^2+\tau_1^2+1}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1}} \end{pmatrix}, \tag{17}$$

The effective neutrino mass matrix is obtained through the type-I seesaw mechanism as follows:

$$M_{\text{eff}} = -M_D M_R^{-1} M_D^T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{a_D b_D}{b_R} & -\frac{a_D b_D}{b_R} \\ \frac{a_D b_D}{b_R} & \frac{b_D^2}{b_R} - \frac{a_D^2}{a_R} & \frac{a_D^2}{a_R} \\ -\frac{a_D b_D}{b_R} & \frac{a_D^2}{a_R} & -\frac{a_D^2}{a_R} - \frac{b_D^2}{b_R} \end{pmatrix}. \tag{14}$$

The mass matrix M_{eff} in Eq. (14) has three eigenvalues:

$$m_1 = 0, m_{2,3} = -\alpha \mp \beta, \tag{15}$$

with

$$\alpha = \frac{a_D^2}{a_R}, \beta = \frac{\sqrt{a_D^4 b_R^2 + a_R^2 b_D^2 (2a_D^2 + b_D^2)}}{a_R b_R}. \tag{16}$$

The corresponding mixing matrix is

where $\kappa, \kappa_{1,2}$, and $\tau_{1,2}$ are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 \kappa &= \frac{b_D}{a_D}, \quad \kappa_{1,2} = \frac{2a_D a_R b_D}{a_R b_D^2 + a_D^2 b_R \pm \sqrt{\Omega}}, \\
 \tau_{1,2} &= \frac{\pm \sqrt{\Omega} - a_R (a_D^2 + b_D^2)}{a_D^2 (a_R - b_R)}, \\
 \Omega &= a_D^4 b_R^2 + a_R^2 b_D^2 (2a_D^2 + b_D^2),
 \end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

which satisfy the following relations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 + \kappa_1 \kappa_2 + \tau_1 \tau_2 &= 0, \\
 1 - \kappa \kappa_1 + \tau_1 &= 0, \\
 1 - \kappa \kappa_2 + \tau_2 &= 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

Whether the neutrino mass spectrum has a normal or inverted hierarchy depends on the sign of Δm_{31}^2 [34]. For NH, $0 = m_1 \ll m_2 \sim m_3$. For IH, $0 = m_3 \ll m_1 \sim m_2$. The neutrino mass matrix M_{eff} in Eq. (14) is diagonalized as

$$u_\nu^T M_{\text{eff}} u_\nu = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\alpha - \beta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\alpha + \beta \end{pmatrix}, & u_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{\kappa^2+2}} & \frac{\kappa_1}{\sqrt{\kappa_1^2+\tau_1^2+1}} & \frac{\kappa_2}{\sqrt{\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa^2+2}} & \frac{\tau_1}{\sqrt{\kappa_1^2+\tau_1^2+1}} & \frac{\tau_2}{\sqrt{\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa^2+2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa_1^2+\tau_1^2+1}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1}} \end{pmatrix} \text{ for NH,} \\ \\ \begin{pmatrix} -\alpha - \beta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\alpha + \beta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, & u_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\kappa_1}{\sqrt{\kappa_1^2+\tau_1^2+1}} & \frac{\kappa_2}{\sqrt{\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1}} & \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{\kappa^2+2}} \\ \frac{\tau_1}{\sqrt{\kappa_1^2+\tau_1^2+1}} & \frac{\tau_2}{\sqrt{\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa^2+2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa_1^2+\tau_1^2+1}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa^2+2}} \end{pmatrix} \text{ for IH,} \end{cases} \tag{20}$$

where $\alpha, \beta, \kappa, \kappa_{1,2}$, and $\tau_{1,2}$ are given in Eqs. (16) and (19). The corresponding leptonic mixing matrix is defined as follows:

$$U_{\text{Lep}} = u_L^\dagger u_\nu = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{\kappa^2+2}} & \frac{\kappa_1}{\sqrt{\kappa_1^2+\tau_1^2+1}} & \frac{\kappa_2}{\sqrt{\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1}} \\ \frac{i+1}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\kappa^2+2}} & \frac{1+i\tau_1}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\kappa_1^2+\tau_1^2+1}} & \frac{1+i\tau_2}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1}} \\ \frac{i-1}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\kappa^2+2}} & \frac{1-i\tau_1}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\kappa_1^2+\tau_1^2+1}} & \frac{1-i\tau_2}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1}} \end{pmatrix} & \text{for NH,} \\ \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\kappa_1}{\sqrt{\kappa_1^2+\tau_1^2+1}} & \frac{\kappa_2}{\sqrt{\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1}} & \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{\kappa^2+2}} \\ -\frac{1+i\tau_1}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\kappa_1^2+\tau_1^2+1}} & -\frac{1+i\tau_2}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1}} & \frac{i+1}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\kappa^2+2}} \\ \frac{1-i\tau_1}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\kappa_1^2+\tau_1^2+1}} & \frac{1-i\tau_2}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1}} & \frac{i-1}{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\kappa^2+2}} \end{pmatrix} & \text{for IH.} \end{cases} \quad (21)$$

In the three neutrino oscillation picture [34-37], the leptonic Jarlskog invariant J_{CP} , which determines the magnitude of CP violation in neutrino oscillations and the lepton mixing angles, is obtained as follows:

$$J_{\text{CP}} = \text{Im}(U_{23}U_{13}^*U_{12}U_{22}^*) = s_{12}c_{12}s_{13}c_{13}^2s_{23}c_{23}\sin\delta, \quad (22)$$

$$s_{13}^2 = |U_{13}|^2, \quad t_{12}^2 = \left|\frac{U_{12}}{U_{11}}\right|^2, \quad t_{23}^2 = \left|\frac{U_{23}}{U_{23}}\right|^2, \quad (23)$$

where $t_{ij} = \frac{s_{ij}}{c_{ij}}$, $s_{ij} = \sin\theta_{ij}$, $c_{ij} = \cos\theta_{ij}$ ($ij = 12, 23$) with θ_{12} , θ_{23} , and θ_{13} are the solar angle, atmospheric angle, and reactor angle, respectively.

Combining Eqs. (21), (22), and (23) yields

$$\frac{\kappa_2^2(\tau_2^2-1)}{2(\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1)(2\kappa_2^2+(\tau_2+1)^2)} = s_{12}c_{12}s_{13}c_{13}^2s_{23}c_{23}\sin\delta, \quad (24)$$

$$s_{13}^2 = \frac{\kappa_2^2}{\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1}, \quad t_{12}^2 = \frac{\kappa_2^2(\tau_2-1)^2}{(\tau_2+1)^2(\kappa_2^2+\tau_2^2+1)}, \quad t_{23}^2 = 1. \quad (25)$$

Solving the system of equations in (24)-(25), with the help of Eq. (19), we obtain a solution

$$\theta_{23} = \frac{\pi}{4}, \sin\delta = -1 \left(\delta = -\frac{\pi}{2} \right), \quad (26)$$

$$\begin{cases} \kappa = \begin{cases} -\frac{\sqrt{2}c_{13}}{\sqrt{s_{13}^2+t_{12}^2}} & \text{for NH,} \\ \sqrt{2}t_{13} & \text{for IH,} \end{cases} \\ \kappa_1 = \begin{cases} -\frac{\sqrt{2}c_{13}t_{12}\sqrt{s_{13}^2+t_{12}^2}}{s_{13}t_{12}(s_{13}+t_{12})+s_{13}-t_{12}} & \text{for NH,} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}c_{13}}{s_{13}-t_{12}} & \text{for IH,} \end{cases} \\ \kappa_2 = \begin{cases} \frac{\sqrt{2}t_{13}\sqrt{t_{12}^2+s_{13}^2}}{t_{12}+s_{13}} & \text{for NH,} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}c_{13}t_{12}}{(s_{13}t_{12}+1)^{\frac{3}{2}}} & \text{for IH,} \end{cases} \end{cases} \quad (27)$$

$$\begin{cases} \tau_1 = \begin{cases} -\frac{2c_{13}^2t_{12}}{s_{13}t_{12}(s_{13}+t_{12})+s_{13}-t_{12}} - 1 & \text{for NH,} \\ \frac{s_{13}+t_{12}}{s_{13}-t_{12}} & \text{for IH,} \end{cases} \\ \tau_2 = \begin{cases} \frac{2s_{13}}{s_{13}+t_{12}} - 1 & \text{for NH,} \\ 1 - \frac{2}{s_{13}t_{12}+1} & \text{for IH,} \end{cases} \\ J_{\text{CP}} = -\frac{1}{2}s_{12}c_{12}s_{13}c_{13}^2 & \text{for both NH and IH.} \end{cases} \quad (28)$$

Equation (20) implies that α , β , and neutrino masses can be expressed in terms of two squared mass differences Δm_{21}^2 and Δm_{32}^2 ,

$$\alpha = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{2} \left(\sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2} + \sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2} \right) & \text{for NH,} \\ \frac{\sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2} - \sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2 - \Delta m_{31}^2}}{2} & \text{for IH,} \end{cases} \quad (29)$$

$$\beta = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \left(\sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2} - \sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2} \right) & \text{for NH,} \\ \frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{2 \left(\sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2 - \Delta m_{31}^2} - \sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2} \right)} & \text{for IH.} \end{cases} \quad (30)$$

$$\begin{cases} m_1 = 0, m_2 = \sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2}, m_3 = \sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2} & \text{for NH,} \\ m_1 = \sqrt{-\Delta m_{31}^2}, m_2 = \sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2 - \Delta m_{31}^2}, m_3 = 0 & \text{for IH.} \end{cases} \quad (31)$$

$$\sum_{\nu} m_{\nu} \equiv \sum_{i=1}^3 m_i = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2} + \sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2} & \text{for NH,} \\ \sqrt{-\Delta m_{31}^2} + \sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2 - \Delta m_{31}^2} & \text{for IH.} \end{cases} \quad (32)$$

The effective neutrino masses governing the beta decay (m_{β}) and neutrinoless double beta decay ($\langle m_{ee} \rangle$) [38-42] have the forms

$$m_{\beta} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 |U_{ei}|^2 m_i^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2 s_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 + \Delta m_{31}^2 s_{13}^2} & \text{for NH,} \\ c_{13} \sqrt{(\Delta m_{21}^2 - \Delta m_{31}^2) s_{12}^2 - \Delta m_{31}^2 c_{12}^2} & \text{for IH,} \end{cases} \quad (33)$$

$$\langle m_{ee} \rangle = \left| \sum_{i=1}^3 U_{ei}^2 m_i \right| = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2 s_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 + \Delta m_{31}^2 s_{13}^2} & \text{for NH,} \\ c_{13}^2 \left(\sqrt{-\Delta m_{31}^2 c_{12}^2} + \sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2 - \Delta m_{31}^2} s_{12}^2 \right) & \text{for IH.} \end{cases} \quad (34)$$

Equations (27)-(34) show that $\kappa, \kappa_{1,2}, \tau_{1,2}$, and J_{CP} depend on two experimental parameters θ_{12} and θ_{13} ; $\alpha, \beta, m_{2,3}$ (NH), $m_{1,2}$ (IH), and $\sum_{\nu} m_{\nu}$ depend on two squared mass differences Δm_{21}^2 and Δm_{31}^2 ; and $m_{\beta}, \langle m_{ee} \rangle$ depend on four parameters $\theta_{12}, \theta_{13}, \Delta m_{21}^2$, and Δm_{31}^2 in which $\theta_{12}, \theta_{13}, \Delta m_{21}^2$, and Δm_{31}^2 have been measured with relatively high precision [1]. The sign of Δm_{31}^2 is now undetermined and allows for two possible types of neutrino mass spectra.

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Expression (27) implies that $\kappa, \kappa_{1,2}$, and $\tau_{1,2}$ depend on two experimental parameters s_{12} and s_{13} , which are plotted in Figs. 1 and 2, respectively, within a 1σ range of the best-fit values taken from Ref. [1]; these are $s_{12} \in (0.550, 0.578)$ and $s_{13} \in (0.146, 0.151)$ for NH and $s_{13} \in (0.147, 0.151)$ for IH. Figures 1 and 2 show the ranges of $\kappa, \kappa_{1,2}$, and $\tau_{1,2}$:

$$\kappa \in \begin{cases} (1.94, 2.06) & \text{for NH,} \\ (0.210, 0.216) & \text{for IH,} \end{cases}$$

$$\kappa_1 \in \begin{cases} (1.44, 1.52) & \text{for NH,} \\ (-2.75, -2.50) & \text{for IH,} \end{cases}$$

$$\kappa_2 \in \begin{cases} (0.176, 0.181) & \text{for NH,} \\ (0.84, 0.89) & \text{for IH,} \end{cases}$$

$$\tau_1 \in \begin{cases} (1.93, 2.01) & \text{for NH,} \\ (-1.59, -1.53) & \text{for IH,} \end{cases}$$

$$\tau_2 \in \begin{cases} (-0.655, -0.630) & \text{for NH,} \\ (-0.822, -0.808) & \text{for IH.} \end{cases} \quad (35)$$

Expression (28) implies that J_{CP} depends on two parameters s_{12} and s_{13} , which is plotted in Fig. 3 with $s_{12} \in (0.550, 0.578)$ and $s_{13} \in (0.146, 0.151)$ for NH and $s_{13} \in (0.147, 0.151)$ for IH. This shows that our model predicts a Jarlskog invariant range of $J_{CP} \in (-3.46, -3.30)10^{-2}$ for NH and $J_{CP} \in (-3.48, -3.30)10^{-2}$ for IH.

Expressions (30)-(32) show that α, β , and neutrino masses $m_{2,3}$ (NH), $m_{1,2}$ (IH) as well as the sum of neutrino masses $\sum_{\nu} m_{\nu}$ depend on Δm_{21}^2 and Δm_{31}^2 , which are plotted in Figs. 4, 5, and 6, respectively, within a 1σ range of the best-fit values taken from Ref. [1]. These are $\Delta m_{21}^2 \in (7.30, 7.72) \times 10^{-5} \text{eV}^2$ and $\Delta m_{31}^2 \in (2.52, 2.57) \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2$ for NH and $\Delta m_{31}^2 \in (-2.47, -2.42) \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2$ for IH. Figure 4 shows that the ranges of α and β are as follows:

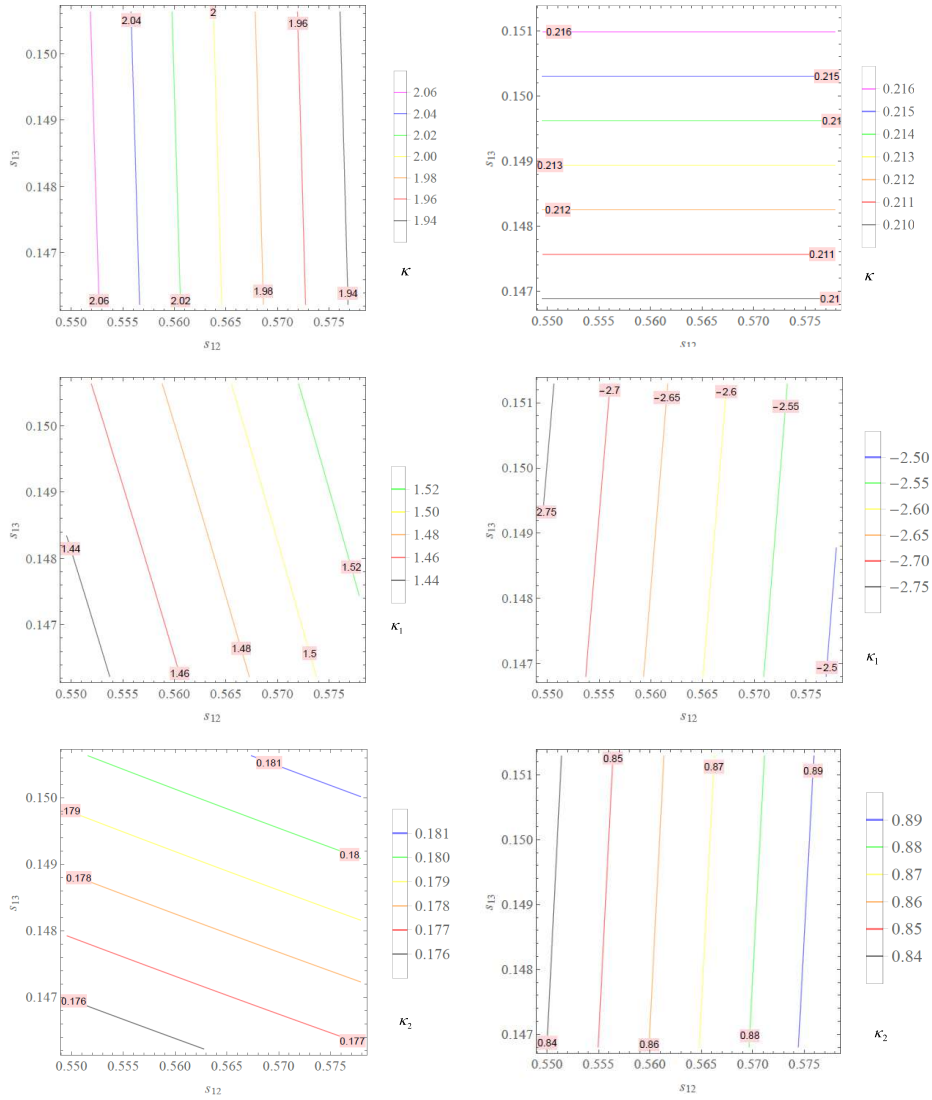


Fig. 1. (color online) κ and $\kappa_{1,2}$ as functions of s_{12} and s_{13} with $s_{12} \in (0.550, 0.578)$ and $s_{13} \in (0.146, 0.151)$ for NH (left panel) and $s_{13} \in (0.147, 0.151)$ for IH (right panel).

$$\alpha \in \begin{cases} (-2.97, -2.94) \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV} & \text{for NH,} \\ (-5.00, -4.96) \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV} & \text{for IH,} \end{cases} \quad (36)$$

$$\beta \in \begin{cases} (2.075, 2.105) \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV} & \text{for NH,} \\ (3.65, 3.88) \times 10^{-4} \text{ eV} & \text{for IH.} \end{cases} \quad (37)$$

Figure 5 shows that our model predicts the range of neutrino masses.

$$\begin{cases} m_2 \in (8.55, 8.80) \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV,} \\ m_3 \in (5.02, 5.07) \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV for NH,} \\ m_1 \in (4.92, 4.97) \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV,} \\ m_2 \in (5.00, 5.04) \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV for IH.} \end{cases} \quad (38)$$

Figure 6 shows that our model predicts the range of

the sum of neutrino masses.

$$\sum_{\nu} m_{\nu} \in \begin{cases} (5.88, 5.94) \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV for NH,} \\ (9.92 \times 10^{-2}, 10^{-1}) \text{ eV for IH.} \end{cases} \quad (39)$$

By taking the best-fit values of neutrino mass squared splittings for NH [1], as given in Table 1, $\Delta m_{21}^2 = 7.50 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$, $\Delta m_{31}^2 = 2.55 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$, we obtain

$$\alpha = \begin{cases} -2.96 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV for NH,} \\ -4.99 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV for IH,} \end{cases} \quad (40)$$

$$\beta = \begin{cases} 2.09 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV for NH,} \\ 3.76 \times 10^{-4} \text{ eV for IH.} \end{cases}$$

These produce the following neutrino masses:

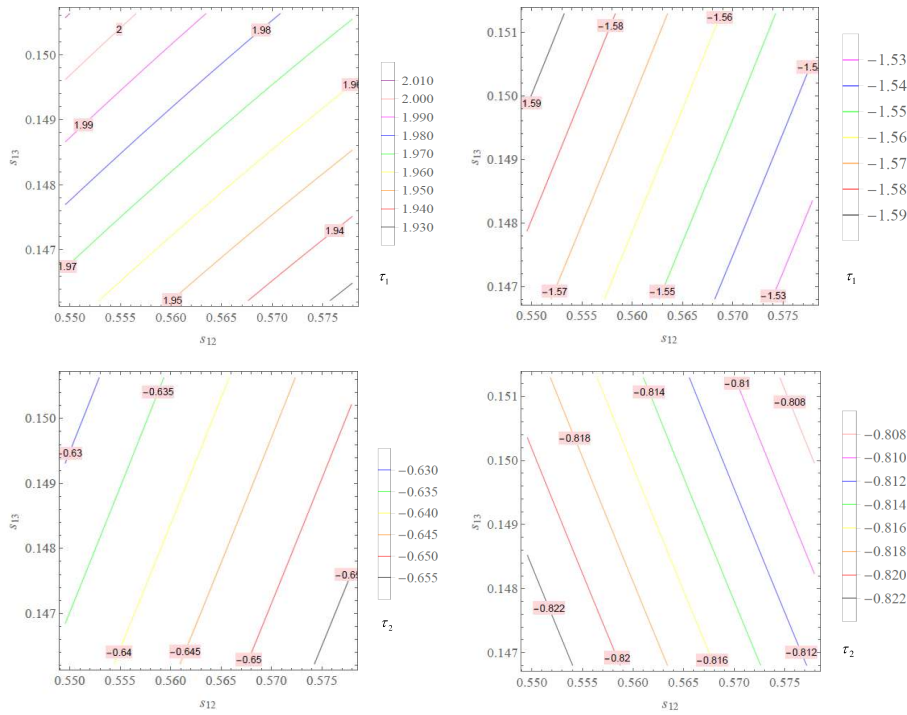


Fig. 2. (color online) $\tau_{1,2}$ as functions of s_{12} and s_{13} with $s_{12} \in (0.550, 0.578)$ and $s_{13} \in (0.146, 0.151)$ for NH (left panel) and $s_{13} \in (0.147, 0.151)$ for IH (right panel).

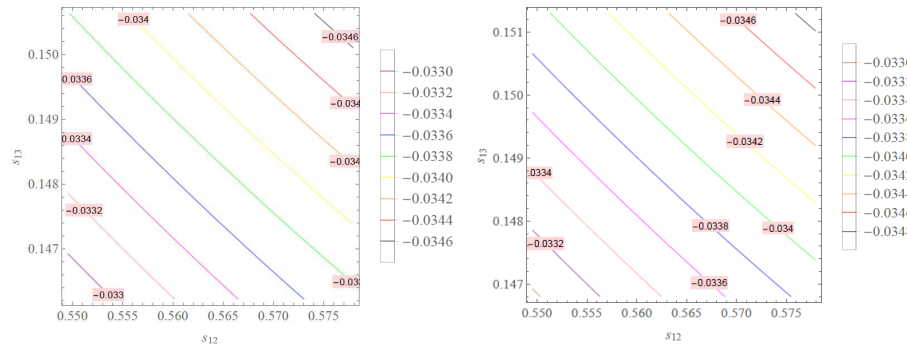


Fig. 3. (color online) J_{CP} as a function of s_{12} and s_{13} with $s_{12} \in (0.550, 0.578)$ and $s_{13} \in (0.146, 0.151)$ for NH (left panel) and $s_{13} \in (0.147, 0.151)$ for IH (right panel).

$$\begin{cases} m_1 = 0, m_2 = 8.66 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}, \\ m_3 = 5.05 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV} \text{ for NH}, \\ m_1 = 4.95 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}, m_2 = 5.02 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}, \\ m_3 = 0 \text{ for IH}. \end{cases} \quad (41)$$

The sum of the neutrino masses has the explicit values

$$\sum m_{i=1}^3 = \begin{cases} 5.92 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV} \text{ for NH}, \\ 9.97 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV} \text{ for IH}. \end{cases} \quad (42)$$

At present, there are various bounds on $\sum m_i$; for instance, for NH, the upper limit on the sum of the neutrino masses is $\sum m_i < 0.13 \text{ eV}$ at a 2σ range [1], the

strongest bound from cosmology [43] is $\sum m_\nu < 0.078 \text{ eV}$, the upper bound taken from [44] is $\sum m_\nu < 0.12 \div 0.69 \text{ eV}$, and the constraint in Ref. [45] is $\sum m_\nu < 0.118 \text{ eV}$. For IH, the tightest 2σ upper limit is $\sum m_i < 0.15 \text{ eV}$ [1], and the upper limit taken from [46] is $\sum m_\nu < 1.1 \text{ eV}$. Therefore, the prediction of our model in Eq. (39) is in good agreement.

Expressions (33) and (34) imply that m_β and $\langle m_{ee} \rangle$ depend on four experimental parameters $\Delta m_{21}^2, \Delta m_{31}^2, s_{12}$, and s_{13} . At the best-fit points of the two neutrino mass-squared differences, two neutrino effective masses $\langle m_{ee} \rangle$ and m_β depend on two parameters s_{12} and s_{13} , which is plotted in Fig. 7 with $s_{12} \in (0.550, 0.578)$ and $s_{13} \in (0.146, 0.151)$ for NH and $s_{13} \in (0.147, 0.151)$ for IH. This shows that our model predicts the range of the

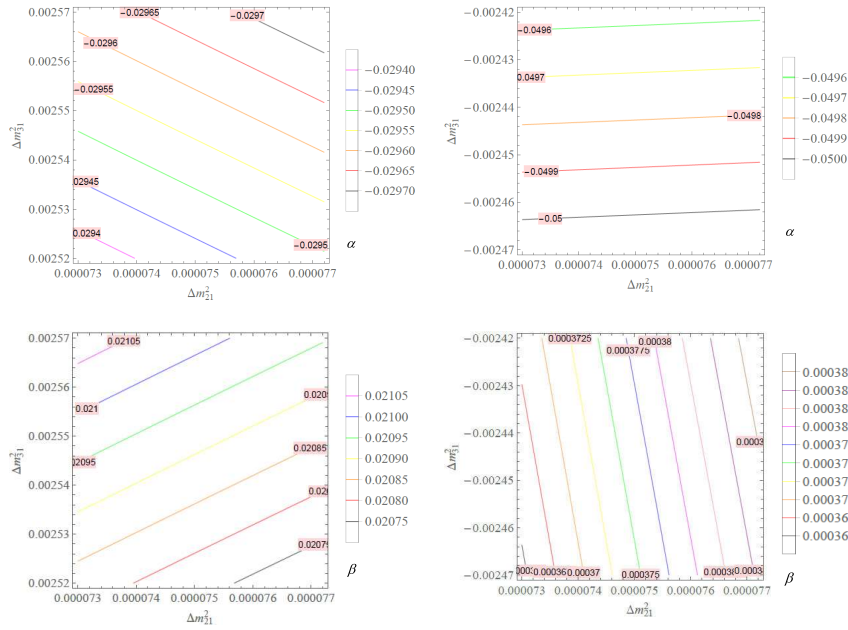


Fig. 4. (color online) α and β as functions of Δm_{21}^2 and Δm_{31}^2 with $\Delta m_{21}^2 \in (7.30, 7.72) \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$ and $\Delta m_{31}^2 \in (2.52, 2.57) \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ for NH (left panel) and $\Delta m_{31}^2 \in (-2.47, -2.42) \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ for IH (right panel).

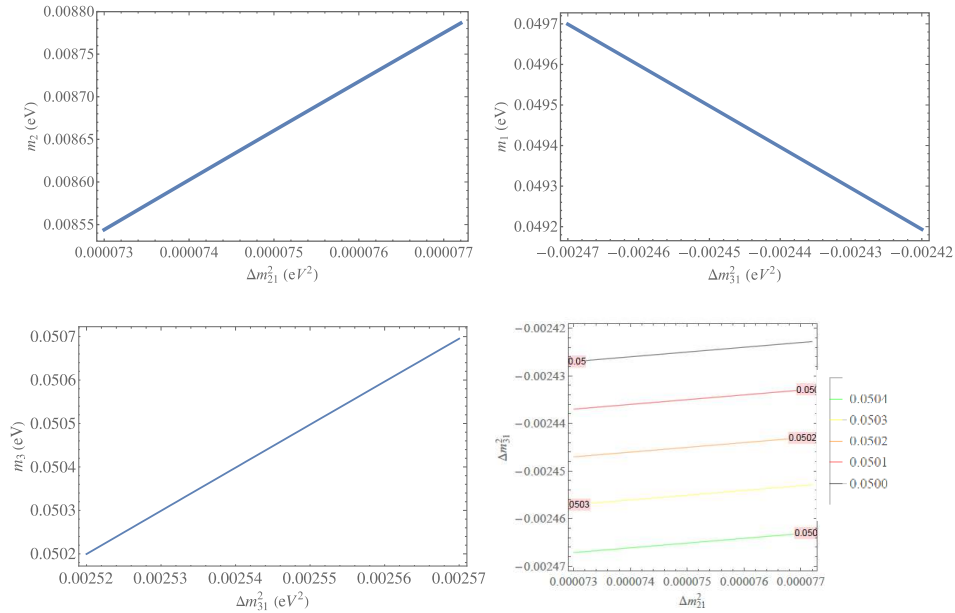


Fig. 5. (color online) m_2 (m_3) as a function of Δm_{21}^2 (Δm_{31}^2) for NH (left panel) and m_1 as a function of Δm_{21}^2 and m_2 as a function of Δm_{21}^2 and Δm_{31}^2 for IH (right panel) with $\Delta m_{21}^2 \in (7.30, 7.72) \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$ and $\Delta m_{31}^2 \in (2.52, 2.57) \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ for NH and $\Delta m_{31}^2 \in (-2.47, -2.42) \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ for IH.

effective neutrino mass parameters as follows:

$$m_\beta (\text{meV}) \in \begin{cases} (8.80, 9.05) \text{ for NH,} \\ (49.16, 49.21) \text{ for IH,} \end{cases} \quad (43)$$

$$\langle m_{ee} \rangle (\text{meV}) \in \begin{cases} (3.65, 3.95) \text{ for NH,} \\ (48.59, 48.67) \text{ for IH.} \end{cases} \quad (44)$$

At the best-fit points of s_{12} and s_{13} taken from [1], as given in Table 1, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa &= \begin{cases} 2.00 \text{ for NH,} \\ 0.213 \text{ for IH,} \end{cases} & \kappa_1 &= \begin{cases} 1.48 \text{ for NH,} \\ -2.62 \text{ for IH,} \end{cases} \\ \kappa_2 &= \begin{cases} 0.178 \text{ for NH,} \\ 0.867 \text{ for IH,} \end{cases} & \tau_1 &= \begin{cases} 1.97 \text{ for NH,} \\ -1.56 \text{ for IH,} \end{cases} \\ \tau_2 &= \begin{cases} -0.643 \text{ for NH,} \\ -0.815 \text{ for IH,} \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

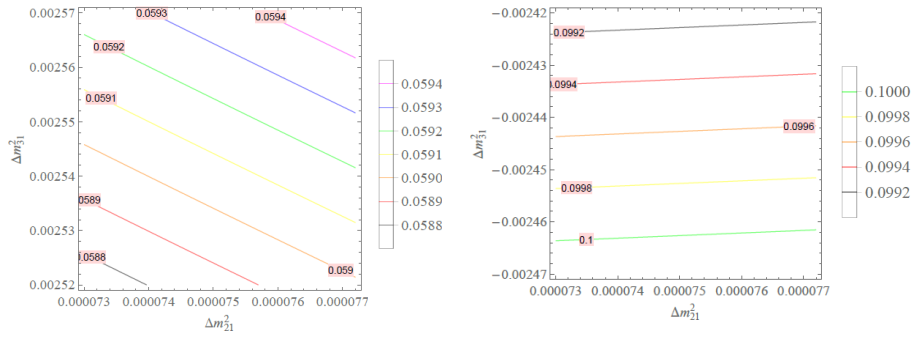


Fig. 6. (color online) $\Sigma_{\nu} m_{\nu}$ as a function of Δm_{21}^2 and Δm_{31}^2 with $\Delta m_{21}^2 \in (7.30, 7.72) \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$ and $\Delta m_{31}^2 \in (2.52, 2.57) \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ for NH (left panel) and $\Delta m_{31}^2 \in (-2.47, -2.42) \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ for IH (right panel).

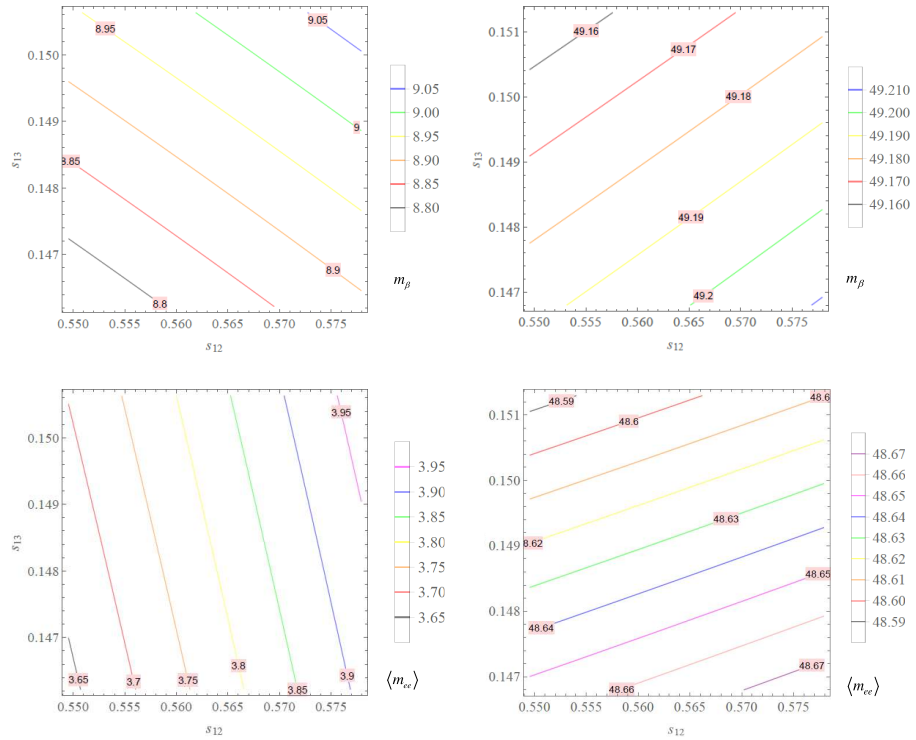


Fig. 7. (color online) m_{β} and $\langle m_{ee} \rangle$ (in meV) as functions of s_{12} and s_{13} with $s_{12} \in (0.550, 0.578)$ and $s_{13} \in (0.146, 0.151)$ for NH (left panel) and $s_{13} \in (0.147, 0.151)$ for IH (right panel).

$$J_{\text{CP}} = \begin{cases} -3.38 \times 10^{-2} & \text{for NH,} \\ -3.40 \times 10^{-2} & \text{for IH,} \end{cases} \quad (46)$$

$$\langle m_{ee} \rangle = \begin{cases} 3.80 \text{ meV} & \text{for NH,} \\ 48.60 \text{ meV} & \text{for IH.} \end{cases} \quad (47)$$

$$m_{\beta} = \begin{cases} 8.91 \text{ meV} & \text{for NH,} \\ 49.20 \text{ meV} & \text{for IH,} \end{cases}$$

The corresponding mixing matrices are

$$U_{\text{Lep}} = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} 0.817 & 0.558 & 0.148 \\ 0.289 + 0.289i & -0.266 - 0.523i & -0.588 + 0.378i \\ -0.289 + 0.289i & 0.266 - 0.523i & 0.588 + 0.378i \end{pmatrix} & \text{for NH,} \\ \begin{pmatrix} -0.817 & 0.558 & 0.149 \\ -0.220 + 0.344i & -0.445 + 0.371i & 0.494 + 0.494i \\ 0.220 + 0.344i & 0.445 + 0.371i & -0.494 + 0.494i \end{pmatrix} & \text{for IH,} \end{cases} \quad (48)$$

which are unitary and in good agreement with the entry constraint of the lepton mixing matrix in Ref. [47].

Global data analyses [44, 47] show that δ_{CP} is close to $-\frac{\pi}{2}$, and the best fit value of δ_{CP} in [47, 48] is close to $-\frac{\pi}{2}$ for both NH and IH. For δ_{CP} and θ_{23} , as shown in Eq. (26), our model predicts $\delta_{CP} = -\frac{\pi}{2}$ and $\theta_{23} = \frac{\pi}{4}$, respectively, which are consistent with the cobimaximal mixing pattern and within the 3σ range of the best-fit values taken from Ref. [1]. The resulting effective neutrino mass parameters in Eq. (47) are below the upper bound arising from present $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay experiments; however, they are highly consistent with the future large and ultra-low background liquid scintillator detectors, which have been discussed in Ref. [49]. The meV limit of the effective neutrino mass can be reached by planning future experiments [43, 50-56].

IV. CONCLUSIONS

We have constructed a non-renormalizable gauge $B-L$ model based on $Q_4 \times Z_4 \times Z_2$ symmetry that leads to the successful cobimaximal lepton mixing scheme. Small active neutrino masses and both neutrino mass hierarchies are produced via the type-I seesaw mechanism at the tree-level. The model is predictive; hence, it reproduces the cobimaximal lepton mixing scheme, and the reactor neutrino mixing angle θ_{13} and the solar neutrino mixing angle θ_{12} can obtain best-fit values from recent experimental data. Our model also predicts the effective neutrino mass parameters of $m_\beta \in (8.80, 9.05)\text{meV}$ and $\langle m_{ee} \rangle \in (3.65, 3.95)\text{meV}$ for normal ordering (NO) and $m_\beta \in (49.16, 49.21)\text{meV}$ and $\langle m_{ee} \rangle \in (48.59, 48.67)\text{meV}$ for inverted ordering (IO), which are highly consistent with recent experimental constraints.

APPENDIX A: THE SCALAR POTENTIAL

The total scalar potential invariant under all of the model's symmetries is given by¹⁾

$$\mathbf{V}_{\text{total}} = V(H) + V(\chi) + V(\rho) + V(\eta) + V(\phi) + V(\varphi) + V(H, \chi) + V(H, \rho) + V(H, \eta) + V(H, \phi) + V(H, \varphi) \\ + V(\chi, \rho) + V(\chi, \eta) + V(\chi, \phi) + V(\chi, \varphi) + V(\rho, \eta) + V(\rho, \phi) + V(\rho, \varphi) + V(\eta, \phi) + V(\eta, \varphi) + V(\phi, \varphi) + V_{\text{multiple}}, \quad (\text{A1})$$

where²⁾

$$V(H) = \mu_H^2 (H^\dagger H)_{\mathbf{1}_1} + \lambda^H (H^\dagger H)_{\mathbf{1}_1} (H^\dagger H)_{\mathbf{1}_1}, \quad (\text{A2})$$

$$V(\chi) = \mu_\chi^2 \chi^2 + \lambda_1^\chi \chi^4 + \lambda_2^\chi (\chi^* \chi)_{\mathbf{1}_2} (\chi^* \chi)_{\mathbf{1}_2}, \quad V(\rho) = V(\chi \rightarrow \rho), \quad (\text{A3})$$

$$V(\eta) = \mu_\eta^2 (\eta^* \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_1} + \lambda_1^\eta (\eta \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_3} (\eta \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_3} + \lambda_2^\eta (\eta \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_4} (\eta \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_4} + \lambda_3^\eta (\eta^* \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_1} (\eta^* \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_1} + \lambda_4^\eta (\eta^* \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_2} (\eta^* \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_2}, \quad (\text{A4})$$

$$V(\phi) = \mu_\phi^2 (\phi^* \phi)_{\mathbf{1}_1} + \lambda^\phi (\phi^* \phi)_{\mathbf{1}_1} (\phi^* \phi)_{\mathbf{1}_1}, \quad V(\varphi) = V(\phi \rightarrow \varphi), \quad V(H, \chi) = \lambda_1^{H\chi} (H^\dagger H)_{\mathbf{1}_1} (\chi^2)_{\mathbf{1}_1} \\ + \lambda_2^{H\chi} (H^\dagger \chi)_{\mathbf{1}_3} (\chi H)_{\mathbf{1}_3}, \quad V(H, \rho) = \lambda_1^{H\rho} (H^\dagger H)_{\mathbf{1}_1} (\rho^2)_{\mathbf{1}_1} + \lambda_2^{H\rho} (H^\dagger \rho)_{\mathbf{1}_4} (\rho H)_{\mathbf{1}_4}, \quad (\text{A5})$$

$$V(H, \eta) = \lambda_1^{H\eta} (H^\dagger H)_{\mathbf{1}_1} (\eta^* \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_1} + \lambda_2^{H\eta} (H^\dagger \eta)_{\mathbf{2}} (\eta^* H)_{\mathbf{2}}, \quad V(H, \phi) = \lambda_1^{H\phi} (H^\dagger H)_{\mathbf{1}_1} (\phi^* \phi)_{\mathbf{1}_1} \\ + \lambda_2^{H\phi} (H^\dagger \phi)_{\mathbf{1}_1} (\phi^* H)_{\mathbf{1}_1}, \quad V(H, \varphi) = \lambda_1^{H\varphi} (H^\dagger H)_{\mathbf{1}_1} (\varphi^* \varphi)_{\mathbf{1}_1} + \lambda_2^{H\varphi} (H^\dagger \varphi)_{\mathbf{1}_2} (\varphi^* H)_{\mathbf{1}_2}, \quad (\text{A6})$$

$$V(\chi, \rho) = \lambda_1^{\chi\rho} \chi^2 \rho^2 + \lambda_2^{\chi\rho} (\chi \rho)_{\mathbf{1}_2} (\rho \chi)_{\mathbf{1}_2} + \lambda_3^{\chi\rho} (\chi^* \chi)_{\mathbf{1}_2} (\rho^* \rho)_{\mathbf{1}_2} + \lambda_4^{\chi\rho} (\chi^* \rho)_{\mathbf{1}_1} (\rho^* \chi)_{\mathbf{1}_1}, \quad (\text{A7})$$

$$V(\chi, \eta) = \lambda_1^{\chi\eta} \chi^2 (\eta^* \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_1} + \lambda_2^{\chi\eta} (\chi^* \chi)_{\mathbf{1}_2} (\eta^* \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_2} + \lambda_3^{\chi\eta} (\chi \eta^*)_{\mathbf{2}} (\eta \chi)_{\mathbf{2}} + \lambda_4^{\chi\eta} (\chi^* \eta)_{\mathbf{2}} (\eta^* \chi)_{\mathbf{2}}, \quad (\text{A8})$$

$$V(\chi, \phi) = \lambda_1^{\chi\phi} \chi^2 (\phi^* \phi)_{\mathbf{1}_1} + \lambda_2^{\chi\phi} (\chi \phi)_{\mathbf{1}_3} (\phi^* \chi)_{\mathbf{1}_3}, \quad V(\chi, \varphi) = \lambda_1^{\chi\varphi} \chi^2 (\varphi^* \varphi)_{\mathbf{1}_1} + \lambda_2^{\chi\varphi} (\chi \varphi)_{\mathbf{1}_4} (\varphi^* \chi)_{\mathbf{1}_4}, \quad (\text{A9})$$

1) We use the notation: $V(\alpha \rightarrow \alpha', \beta \rightarrow \beta', \dots) \equiv V(\alpha, \beta, \dots)_{|\alpha=\alpha', \beta=\beta', \dots}$.

2) The contribution of $(\eta \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_1} = \eta_1 \eta_2 - \eta_2 \eta_1 = 0$ vanished due to antisymmetric of η_1 and η_2 while $(\eta \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_2} = \eta_1 \eta_1 - \eta_2 \eta_2 = 0$, $(\eta^* \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_3} = \eta_2^* \eta_1 - \eta_1^* \eta_2 = 0$ and $(\eta^* \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_4} = \eta_1^* \eta_1 - \eta_2^* \eta_2 = 0$ due to the VEV alignment of η given in Eq. (1); thus, all the terms related to these terms are not included in the corresponding potential formulas.

$$V(\rho, \eta) = \lambda_1^{\rho\eta} \rho^2 (\eta^* \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_1} + \lambda_2^{\rho\eta} (\rho^* \rho)_{\mathbf{1}_2} (\eta^* \eta)_{\mathbf{1}_1} + \lambda_3^{\rho\eta} (\rho \eta^*)_{\mathbf{2}} (\eta \rho)_{\mathbf{2}} + \lambda_4^{\rho\eta} (\rho^* \eta)_{\mathbf{2}} (\eta^* \rho)_{\mathbf{2}}, \quad (\text{A10})$$

$$V(\rho, \phi) = \lambda_1^{\rho\phi} \rho^2 (\phi^* \phi)_{\mathbf{1}_1} + \lambda_2^{\rho\phi} (\rho \phi)_{\mathbf{4}} (\phi^* \rho)_{\mathbf{1}_1}, \quad V(\rho, \varphi) = \lambda_1^{\rho\varphi} \rho^2 (\varphi^* \varphi)_{\mathbf{1}_1} + \lambda_2^{\rho\varphi} (\rho \varphi)_{\mathbf{1}_3} (\varphi^* \rho)_{\mathbf{1}_3}, \quad (\text{A11})$$

$$V(\eta, \phi) = \lambda_1^{\eta\phi} (\eta^* \eta)_{\mathbf{1}} (\phi^* \phi)_{\mathbf{1}_1} + \lambda_2^{\eta\phi} (\eta^* \phi)_{\mathbf{2}} (\phi^* \eta)_{\mathbf{2}}, \quad V(\eta, \varphi) = V(\eta, \phi \rightarrow \varphi), \quad (\text{A12})$$

$$V(\phi, \varphi) = \lambda_1^{\phi\varphi} (\phi^* \phi)_{\mathbf{1}_1} (\varphi^* \varphi)_{\mathbf{1}_1} + \lambda_2^{\phi\varphi} (\phi^* \varphi)_{\mathbf{1}_2} (\varphi^* \phi)_{\mathbf{1}_2}, \quad V_{\text{multiple}} = 0. \quad (\text{A13})$$

All the other terms with three or more different scalars are forbidden by one or some of the model's symmetries. For cubic couplings, ten couplings of H and two different scalars in the set of $\{\chi, \rho, \eta, \phi, \varphi\}$ are prevented by the $U(1)_Y$ symmetry; four couplings $\chi\rho\eta, \chi\phi\varphi, \rho\phi^*\varphi$ and $\eta\phi^*\varphi$ are forbidden by the Q_4 symmetry; and six couplings $\chi\rho\phi, \chi\rho\varphi, \chi\eta\phi, \chi\eta\varphi, \rho\eta\phi$ and $\rho\eta\varphi$ are prevented by the $U(1)_{B-L}$ symmetry. For quartic couplings, ten couplings of H and three different scalars in the set of $\{\chi, \rho, \eta, \phi, \varphi\}$ are prevented by the $U(1)_Y$ symmetry; four couplings $\chi\rho\eta\phi, \chi\rho\eta\varphi, \chi\eta\phi\varphi$, and $\rho\eta\phi\varphi$ are forbidden by the Q_4 symmetry; and the coupling $\chi\rho\phi^*\varphi$ is prevented by the Z_2 symmetry. For quintic couplings, five couplings of H and four different scalars in the set of $\{\chi, \rho, \eta, \phi, \varphi\}$ are prevented by the $U(1)_Y$ symmetry; the coupling $\chi\rho\eta\phi^*\varphi$ is forbidden by the Q_4 symmetry; and $H^+ H \phi^* \varphi \chi$ and

$H^+ H \phi^* \varphi \rho$ are prevented by the Q_4 symmetry.

To show that the scalar fields with the VEV alignments in Eq. (1) are natural solutions of the minimum condition of V_{scalar} in Eqs. (A1)-(A13), we put $v_H^* = v_H, v_\chi^* = v_\chi, v_\rho^* = v_\rho, v_\eta = v_{\eta_2} = v_\eta, v_\eta^* = v_\eta, v_\phi^* = v_\phi$ and $v_\varphi^* = v_\varphi$, which leads to $\frac{\partial V_{\text{scalar}}}{\partial v_j^*} = \frac{V_{\text{scalar}}}{\partial v_j}, \frac{\partial^2 V_{\text{scalar}}}{\partial v_j^{*2}} = \frac{V_{\text{scalar}}}{\partial v_j^2}$ ($v_j = v_H, v_\chi, v_\rho, v_\eta, v_\phi, v_\varphi$), and the minimization condition of V_{scalar} reduces to

$$\frac{\partial V_{\text{scalar}}}{\partial v_j} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial^2 V_{\text{scalar}}}{\partial v_j^2} > 0. \quad (\text{A14})$$

For simplicity, we use the following notations:

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda^\chi &= \lambda_1^\chi + \lambda_2^\chi, \lambda^\rho = \lambda_1^\rho + \lambda_2^\rho, \lambda^\eta = \sum_{k=1}^4 \lambda_k^\eta, \lambda^{H\chi} = \lambda_1^{H\chi} + \lambda_2^{H\chi}, \lambda^{\chi\rho} = \sum_{k=1}^4 \lambda_k^{\chi\rho}, \\ \lambda^{H\rho} &= \lambda_1^{H\rho} + \lambda_2^{H\rho}, \lambda^{H\eta} = \lambda_2^{H\eta} - \lambda_1^{H\eta}, \lambda^{H\phi} = \lambda_1^{H\phi} + \lambda_2^{H\phi}, \lambda^{H\varphi} = \lambda_1^{H\varphi} + \lambda_2^{H\varphi}, \\ \lambda^{\chi\eta} &= \lambda_1^{\chi\eta} + \lambda_2^{\chi\eta} + \lambda_3^{\chi\eta} - \lambda_4^{\chi\eta}, \lambda^{\chi\phi} = \lambda_1^{\chi\phi} + \lambda_2^{\chi\phi}, \lambda^{\chi\varphi} = \lambda_1^{\chi\varphi} + \lambda_2^{\chi\varphi}, \\ \lambda^{\rho\eta} &= \lambda_1^{\rho\eta} + \lambda_2^{\rho\eta} + \lambda_3^{\rho\eta} - \lambda_4^{\rho\eta}, \lambda^{\rho\phi} = \lambda_1^{\rho\phi} + \lambda_2^{\rho\phi}, \lambda^{\rho\varphi} = \lambda_1^{\rho\varphi} + \lambda_2^{\rho\varphi}, \\ \lambda^{\eta\varphi} &= \lambda_1^{\eta\varphi} + \lambda_2^{\eta\varphi}, \lambda^{\eta\phi} = \lambda_1^{\eta\phi} + \lambda_2^{\eta\phi}, \lambda^{\phi\varphi} = \lambda_1^{\phi\varphi} + \lambda_2^{\phi\varphi}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A15})$$

Thus, the minimization conditions in Eq. (A14) reduce to

$$\mu_H^2 + 2\lambda^{H\varphi} v_\varphi^2 + \lambda^{H\chi} v_\chi^2 + 2\lambda^{H\eta} v_\eta^2 + 2\lambda^H v_H^2 + \lambda^{H\phi} v_\phi^2 + \lambda^{H\rho} v_\rho^2 = 0, \quad (\text{A16})$$

$$\mu_\chi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\varphi} v_\varphi^2 + 2\lambda^\chi v_\chi^2 - 2\lambda^{\chi\eta} v_\eta^2 + \lambda^{H\chi} v_H^2 + \lambda^{\chi\phi} v_\phi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\rho} v_\rho^2 = 0, \quad (\text{A17})$$

$$\mu_\rho^2 + \lambda^{\rho\varphi} v_\varphi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\rho} v_\chi^2 - 2\lambda^{\rho\eta} v_\eta^2 + \lambda^{H\rho} v_H^2 + \lambda^{\rho\phi} v_\phi^2 + 2\lambda^\rho v_\rho^2 = 0, \quad (\text{A18})$$

$$2\mu_\eta^2 + 2(\lambda^{\eta\varphi} v_\varphi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\eta} v_\chi^2 - 4\lambda^\eta v_\eta^2 - \lambda^{H\eta} v_H^2 + \lambda^{\eta\phi} v_\phi^2) + 2\lambda^{\rho\eta} v_\rho^2 = 0, \quad (\text{A19})$$

$$\mu_\phi^2 + \lambda^{\phi\varphi} v_\varphi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\phi} v_\chi^2 - 2\lambda^{\eta\phi} v_\eta^2 + \lambda^{H\phi} v_H^2 + 2\lambda^\phi v_\phi^2 + \lambda^{\rho\phi} v_\rho^2 = 0, \quad (\text{A20})$$

$$\mu_\varphi^2 + 2\lambda^\varphi v_\varphi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\varphi} v_\chi^2 - 2\lambda^{\eta\varphi} v_\eta^2 + 2\lambda^{H\varphi} v_H^2 + \lambda^{\phi\varphi} v_\phi^2 + \lambda^{\rho\varphi} v_\rho^2 = 0, \quad (\text{A21})$$

$$\mu_H^2 + 2\lambda^{H\varphi} v_\varphi^2 + \lambda^{H\chi} v_\chi^2 + 2\lambda^{H\eta} v_\eta^2 + 6\lambda^H v_H^2 + \lambda^{H\phi} v_\phi^2 + \lambda^{H\rho} v_\rho^2 > 0, \quad (\text{A22})$$

$$\mu_\chi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\varphi} v_\varphi^2 + 6\lambda^\chi v_\chi^2 - 2\lambda^{\chi\eta} v_\eta^2 + \lambda^{H\chi} v_H^2 + \lambda^{\chi\phi} v_\phi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\rho} v_\rho^2 > 0, \quad (\text{A23})$$

$$\mu_\rho^2 + \lambda^{\rho\varphi} v_\varphi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\rho} v_\chi^2 - 2\lambda^{\rho\eta} v_\eta^2 + \lambda^{H\rho} v_H^2 + \lambda^{\rho\phi} v_\phi^2 + 6\lambda^\rho v_\rho^2 > 0, \quad (\text{A24})$$

$$-2\mu_\eta^2 - 2(\lambda^{\eta\varphi} v_\varphi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\eta} v_\chi^2 - 12\lambda^{\eta\eta} v_\eta^2 - \lambda^{H\eta} v_H^2 + \lambda^{\eta\phi} v_\phi^2) - 2\lambda^{\rho\eta} v_\rho^2 > 0, \quad (\text{A25})$$

$$\mu_\phi^2 + \lambda^{\phi\varphi} v_\varphi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\phi} v_\chi^2 - 2\lambda^{\eta\phi} v_\eta^2 + \lambda^{H\phi} v_H^2 + 6\lambda^\phi v_\phi^2 + \lambda^{\rho\phi} v_\rho^2 > 0, \quad (\text{A26})$$

$$\mu_\varphi^2 + 6\lambda^\varphi v_\varphi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\varphi} v_\chi^2 - 2\lambda^{\eta\varphi} v_\eta^2 + 2\lambda^{H\varphi} v_H^2 + \lambda^{\phi\varphi} v_\phi^2 + \lambda^{\rho\varphi} v_\rho^2 > 0. \quad (\text{A27})$$

The system of Eqs. (A16)–(A21) always have the following solutions:

$$\lambda^H = -(\lambda^{H\chi} v_\chi^2 + 2\lambda^{H\eta} v_\eta^2 + \lambda^{H\phi} v_\phi^2 + \lambda^{H\rho} v_\rho^2 + 2\lambda^{H\varphi} v_\varphi^2 + \mu_H^2) / (2v_H^2), \quad (\text{A28})$$

$$\lambda^\chi = -(\mu_\chi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\varphi} v_\varphi^2 - 2\lambda^{\chi\eta} v_\eta^2 + \lambda^{H\chi} v_H^2 + \lambda^{\chi\phi} v_\phi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\rho} v_\rho^2) / (2v_\chi^2), \quad (\text{A29})$$

$$\lambda^\rho = -(\mu_\rho^2 + \lambda^{\rho\varphi} v_\varphi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\rho} v_\chi^2 - 2\lambda^{\rho\eta} v_\eta^2 + \lambda^{H\rho} v_H^2 + \lambda^{\rho\phi} v_\phi^2) / (2v_\rho^2), \quad (\text{A30})$$

$$\lambda^\eta = (\mu_\eta^2 + \lambda^{\eta\varphi} v_\varphi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\eta} v_\chi^2 - \lambda^{H\eta} v_H^2 + \lambda^{\eta\phi} v_\phi^2 + \lambda^{\rho\eta} v_\rho^2) / (4v_\eta^2), \quad (\text{A31})$$

$$\lambda^\phi = -(\mu_\phi^2 + \lambda^{\phi\varphi} v_\varphi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\phi} v_\chi^2 - 2\lambda^{\eta\phi} v_\eta^2 + \lambda^{H\phi} v_H^2 + \lambda^{\rho\phi} v_\rho^2) / (2v_\phi^2), \quad (\text{A32})$$

$$\lambda^\varphi = -(\mu_\varphi^2 + \lambda^{\chi\varphi} v_\chi^2 - 2\lambda^{\eta\varphi} v_\eta^2 + 2\lambda^{H\varphi} v_H^2 + \lambda^{\phi\varphi} v_\phi^2 + \lambda^{\rho\varphi} v_\rho^2) / (2v_\varphi^2). \quad (\text{A33})$$

Next, with $\lambda^H, \lambda^\chi, \lambda^\rho, \lambda^\eta, \lambda^\phi$, and λ_φ in Eqs. (A28)–(A33), there exist possible regions of the model's parameters such that the inequalities (A22)–(A27) are always satisfied by the solution, as shown in Eq. (1). For instance, with the benchmark point

$$v_H \simeq v_\chi \simeq v_\rho \simeq v_\eta \simeq 10^{11} \text{ eV}, v_\varphi \simeq v_\phi = 10^{12} \text{ eV}, \quad (\text{A34})$$

$$\mu_H^2 \simeq \mu_\chi^2 \simeq \mu_\rho^2 \simeq \mu_\eta^2 \simeq \mu_\phi^2 \simeq \mu_\varphi^2 = -10^{16} \text{ eV}^2, \quad (\text{A35})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda^{\chi\eta} &= \lambda^{\rho\eta} = \lambda^{\eta\phi} = \lambda^{\eta\varphi} = -\lambda^{\rho\varphi} = -\lambda^{H\chi} = -\lambda^{H\eta} \\ &= -\lambda^{H\rho} = -\lambda^{H\phi} = -\lambda^{H\varphi} = -\lambda^{\rho\phi} = -\lambda^{\chi\phi} \\ &= -\lambda^{\chi\rho} = -\lambda^{\chi\varphi} = \lambda_0, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A36})$$

the expressions in (A22)–(A27) are always satisfied in the case of $\lambda_0 \in (10^{-4}, 10^{-2})$, which is shown in Fig. A1. Therefore, the VEVs in Eq. (1) are natural solutions of the potential minimum condition.

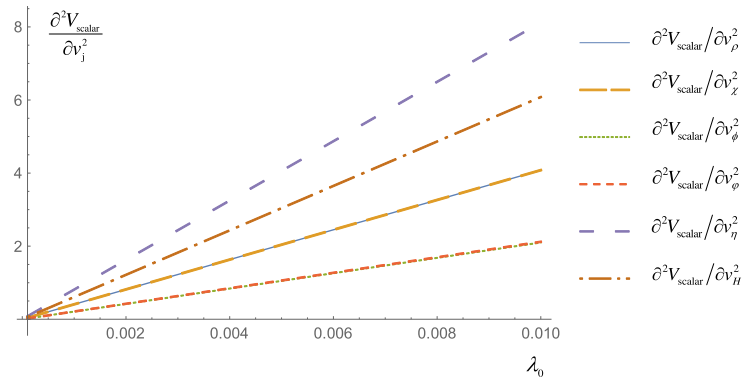


Fig. A1. (color online) $10^{-22} \times \frac{\partial^2 V_{\text{scalar}}}{\partial v_j^2}$ ($v_j = v_H, v_\chi, v_\rho, v_\eta, v_\phi, v_\nu$) versus λ_0 with $\lambda_0 \in (10^{-4}, 10^{-2})$.

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