Origin of the VEVs hierarchy

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Abstract

We present an origin of the VEVs hierarchy in a non-minimal technicolour framework which is capable of explaining the flavour spectrum of the standard model along with neutrino masses and mixing, and simultaneously satisfying crucial experimental bounds. The technicolour scale in this framework can be lower such that a standard model-like Higgs boson emerges from within the model. We also derive lower bound on the mass of the vector technicolour state using the latest experimental bound on the $S$-parameter.

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1 Introduction

The fermionic mass hierarchy and mixing in the Standard Model (SM), often referred as to the flavour problem, is an intriguing puzzle[1]-[12]. This problem evidently arises because of the hierarchical Yukawa couplings which appear in the Higgs-fermion Lagrangian of the SM. For more references on this problem, see ref.[1].

One possible way to explain the masses and mixing of the SM is through hierarchical vacuum expectation values (VEVs) which introduce new energy scales which can distinguish the SM fermions among and within the generations[1]. This can be done via appropriate non-renormalizable operators responsible for providing masses to fermions. For instance the simplest choice is dimension-5 operators of the form,

\[ y \bar{\psi}L \varphi \psi_R F_i \Lambda, \]

where \( y \) is dimensionless coupling, \( \psi_L \) is the SM left-handed fermionic doublet, \( \psi_R \) denotes the SM right-handed singlet fermions, \( \varphi \) is the Higgs doublet, \( F_i \) represents quantum fields, and \( \Lambda \) characterizes scales where the operator is renormalized.

The different energy scales which can distinguish the fermion among and within the generations are created through the hierarchical VEVs of fields \( F_i \) which are actively present in the effective theory. Here, there is only one hidden scale \( \Lambda \) which is integrated out.

Before we discuss further, let us investigate how many energy scales are required to explain the fermionic mass pattern, for instance the masses of six quarks. In the SM, the masses of the first family fermions are much smaller than that of the second family fermions, and masses of the second family fermions are much smaller than that of the third family fermions. This is known as the mass hierarchy among the families. This can be explained by introducing exactly three new interactions at three different energy scales where one scale may correspond to only one family.

We now look into the mass hierarchy within the families. This is large within the second and third families requiring two energy scales to differentiate the masses within these families. However, in the first family of quarks, the mass of the \( d \)-quark has the same order of magnitude as that of the \( u \)-quark. This is the origin of the strong isospin symmetry of the proton and neutron. Therefore, it is not required to introduce any new energy scale within the first family. Thus we conclude that for explaining masses of the three families of quarks through new energy scales, atleast five energy scales are required.

However, the mass pattern within the first family is subtle, and presumably more challenging to predict than that of within the second and third families. The subtlety lies in the fact that the mass of the \( d \)-quark is slightly bigger than that of the \( u \)-quark. This is starkly different from second and third families where the masses of \( up \)-type quarks are much larger than the \( down \)-type quarks. This is also the origin of the strong isospin breaking. To find an explanation to this intriguing difference is a problem itself within the flavour problem.

In the hierarchical VEVs model (HVM)[1], the dimension-5 operators are obtained by forbidding the Yukawa Lagrangian with the help of three discrete \( Z_2 \) symmetries and introducing six gauge-singlet scalar fields. The masses and mixing of the SM fermions are explained through the hierarchy of the six VEVs of the gauge-singlet scalar fields. There is no hierarchy in the effective Yukawa couplings now. However, the hierarchy of Yukawa couplings is now converted into the hierarchy of six VEVs. Finding an origin of this VEVs hierarchy is the main objective of this work.

We shall show that an origin of the HVM scenario can arise in a Technicolour (TC) framework through multi-fermion chiral condensates. TC framework provides a natural origin of the spontaneous symmetry breaking of the SM, and may address several issues beyond the SM[13, 14]. Flavour
structure of the SM can also be addressed in an extended TC (ETC) framework [15]. However, it is well known that ETC models contain large flavour changing neutral currents (FCNC) involving fermions[15].

This problem can be cured by modifying the TC dynamics where the anomalous mass dimension of composite operator $TT$ of the TC field $T$ becomes large[16, 17, 18]. There exits two kind of such solutions. The first solution is with the slowly running coupling constant, known as walking gauge theories[19]-[25]. In the second solution, we have a gauge theory with strong four-fermion interaction[26]-[30]. For a review of TC theories, see refs. [31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39].

This work will be presented along the following line. In the section 2 we present a hierarchical VEVs Model (HVM)[1] and discuss the neutrino masses and oscillations. Moreover, numerical fitting of fermion masses and mixing angles, the scalar potential and an ultra-violet completion (UV) of the HVM are also presented in the same section. A TC origin of the HVM in a non-minimal conventional TC framework is discussed in section 3. We summarize in section 4.

2 Hierarchical VEVs Model

The essential idea of the HVM is discussed in ref.[1]1. In this work, we present a new manifestation of this idea. In the HVM, we extend the gauge symmetry of the SM by adding the three Abelian discrete symmetries $Z_2$, $Z'_2$ and $Z''_2$. Moreover, we add six gauge singlet scalar fields $\chi_i$ ($i = 1 - 6$), having zero hypercharge, to the SM. The fermionic and the singlet scalar fields $\chi_i$ transform under the symmetries $Z_2$, $Z'_2$ and $Z''_2$ as given in Table 1.

The transformations of the scalar fields $\chi_i$ under the $SU(3)_c \otimes SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)_Y$ symmetry of the SM are given as,

$$\chi_i : (1, 1, 0),$$

where $i = 1 - 6$.

The Yukawa Lagrangian is forbidden now, and the masses of the charged fermions are recovered by dimension-5 operators written as,

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} = \frac{1}{\Lambda_F}[y_{ij}^u \bar{u}_L^a \varphi u_R^b \chi_i + y_{ij}^d \bar{d}_L^a \varphi_d u_R^b \chi_{i+3} + y_{ij}^\ell \bar{\ell}_L^a \varphi_\ell u_R^b \chi_{i+3}] + \text{H.c.},$$

where $\Lambda_F$ is the scale where these operators are renormalized. The $\psi_{R}^{\ell, a}$ represents the leptonic and quark doublets of the SM, and $a, b = 1, 2, 3$ are family indices, $q$ is for the quarks doublet and $\ell$ denotes the leptonic doublet, and $\psi_{R}^{d} = u_R, c_R, t_R, \psi_{R}^{d} = d_R, s_R, b_R, \psi_{R}^{\ell} = e_R, \mu_R, \tau_R$.

The masses of charged fermions are recovered when fields $\chi_i$ acquire VEVs in such a way that $\langle \chi_4 \rangle > \langle \chi_1 \rangle$, $\langle \chi_2 \rangle > \langle \chi_5 \rangle$, $\langle \chi_3 \rangle > \langle \chi_6 \rangle$, $\langle \chi_6 \rangle > \langle \chi_1 \rangle$, $\langle \chi_6 \rangle > \langle \chi_5 \rangle$, and $\langle \chi_6 \rangle > \langle \chi_4 \rangle$.

The mass matrices of up, down quarks and leptons approximately are,

$$\mathcal{M}_u = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} y_{11}^u \epsilon_1 & y_{12}^u \epsilon_1 & y_{13}^u \epsilon_1 \\ y_{21}^u \epsilon_2 & y_{22}^u \epsilon_2 & y_{23}^u \epsilon_2 \\ y_{31}^u \epsilon_3 & y_{32}^u \epsilon_3 & y_{33}^u \epsilon_3 \end{pmatrix}, \mathcal{M}_d = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} y_{11}^d \epsilon_4 & y_{12}^d \epsilon_4 & y_{13}^d \epsilon_4 \\ y_{21}^d \epsilon_5 & y_{22}^d \epsilon_5 & y_{23}^d \epsilon_5 \\ y_{31}^d \epsilon_6 & y_{32}^d \epsilon_6 & y_{33}^d \epsilon_6 \end{pmatrix}, \mathcal{M}_\ell = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} y_{11}^\ell \epsilon_4 & y_{12}^\ell \epsilon_4 & y_{13}^\ell \epsilon_4 \\ y_{21}^\ell \epsilon_5 & y_{22}^\ell \epsilon_5 & y_{23}^\ell \epsilon_5 \\ y_{31}^\ell \epsilon_6 & y_{32}^\ell \epsilon_6 & y_{33}^\ell \epsilon_6 \end{pmatrix},$$

where $\epsilon_i = \langle \chi_i \rangle / \Lambda_F$.

1An alternative HVM model is discussed in the appendix.
Table 1: The charges of left- and right-handed fermions and gauge singlet scalar fields under \( Z_2, Z_2' \) and \( Z_2'' \) symmetries.

The masses of charged fermions can approximately be written as [40],

\[
\begin{align*}
    m_t &\approx |y^u_{33}| \epsilon_4 v / \sqrt{2}, \\
    m_c &\approx |y^u_{22} - \frac{y^u_{23} y^u_{32}}{y^u_{33}}| \epsilon_2 v / \sqrt{2}, \\
    m_u &\approx |y^u_{11} - \frac{y^u_{12} y^u_{21}}{y^u_{22}} - \frac{y^u_{13}(y^u_{31} y^u_{22} - y^u_{32} y^u_{23})}{y^u_{22} - \frac{y^u_{23} y^u_{32}}{y^u_{33}}}| \epsilon_1 v / \sqrt{2}, \\
    m_b &\approx |y^d_{33}| \epsilon_6 v / \sqrt{2}, \\
    m_s &\approx |y^d_{22} - \frac{y^d_{23} y^d_{32}}{y^d_{33}}| \epsilon_5 v / \sqrt{2}, \\
    m_d &\approx |y^d_{11} - \frac{y^d_{12} y^d_{21}}{y^d_{22}} - \frac{y^d_{13}(y^d_{31} y^d_{22} - y^d_{32} y^d_{23})}{y^d_{22} - \frac{y^d_{23} y^d_{32}}{y^d_{33}}}| \epsilon_4 v / \sqrt{2}, \\
    m_{	au} &\approx |y^e_{33}| \epsilon_6 v / \sqrt{2}, \\
    m_{\mu} &\approx |y^e_{22} - \frac{y^e_{23} y^e_{32}}{y^e_{33}}| \epsilon_5 v / \sqrt{2}, \\
    m_{e} &\approx |y^e_{11} - \frac{y^e_{12} y^e_{21}}{y^e_{22}} - \frac{y^e_{13}(y^e_{31} y^e_{22} - y^e_{32} y^e_{23})}{y^e_{22} - \frac{y^e_{23} y^e_{32}}{y^e_{33}}}| \epsilon_4 v / \sqrt{2}.
\end{align*}
\]

(4)

The quark mixing angles approximately can be written using the equation (10) of reference [40],

\[
\sin \theta_{12} \simeq |V_{us}| \simeq \left| \frac{y^d_{12} y^e_4}{y^d_{22} y^e_5} - \frac{y^e_{12} y^e_1}{y^e_{22} y^e_2} \right|, \sin \theta_{23} \simeq |V_{cb}| \simeq \left| \frac{y^d_{23} y^e_5}{y^d_{33} y^e_6} - \frac{y^d_{12} y^e_2}{y^d_{33} y^e_3} \right|.
\]
\[ \sin \theta_{13} \simeq |V_{ub}| \simeq \left| \frac{y_{13}^{d} \epsilon_4}{y_{33}^{d} \epsilon_6} - \frac{y_{12}^{d} y_{23}^{d} \epsilon_1 \epsilon_5}{y_{22}^{d} y_{33}^{d} \epsilon_2 \epsilon_6} - \frac{y_{13}^{d} \epsilon_1}{y_{33}^{d} \epsilon_3} \right|. \] (5)

### 2.1 Neutrino masses and oscillation parameters

Explaining neutrino masses and oscillation is one of the most challenging problems, and needs extension of the HVM by an additional gauge singlet scalar field \( \chi_7 \) whose charges under \( Z_2, Z'_2 \) and \( Z''_2 \) discrete symmetries are shown in table 1.

The Lagrangian for Dirac masses for neutrinos can be written as,

\[ \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{M}_D} = \frac{1}{M_F} \left( y_{i3} \bar{\psi}_L^i \phi^j \phi^j_R \chi_{1,2,3} \right) + \text{H.c.}, \] (6)

where \( \psi_R = \nu_e, \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau \).

The Dirac mass matrix is now written as,

\[ \mathcal{M}_D = \frac{\nu}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} y_{11}^{d} \epsilon_1 & y_{12}^{d} \epsilon_2 & y_{13}^{d} \epsilon_1 \\ y_{21}^{d} \epsilon_2 & y_{22}^{d} \epsilon_2 & y_{23}^{d} \epsilon_2 \\ y_{31}^{d} \epsilon_3 & y_{32}^{d} \epsilon_3 & y_{33}^{d} \epsilon_3 \end{pmatrix}. \] (7)

The Majorana mass Lagrangian for right-handed neutrinos reads,

\[ \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{M}_R} = \chi_7 \bar{\nu}_i \nu_j. \] (8)

The masses of neutrinos now can be determined using type-I seesaw mechanism[41] providing following mass matrix of the light neutrinos,

\[ \mathcal{M} = -\mathcal{M}_D \mathcal{M}_R^{-1} \mathcal{M}_D^T. \] (9)

where \( \mathcal{M}_D \ll \mathcal{M}_R \), and the Majorana mass terms for the left-handed neutrinos are assumed to be much smaller.

The light neutrino masses approximately are [40],

\[ m_3 \approx |y_{33}^{d}| \epsilon_3 \epsilon, \]

\[ m_2 \approx |y_{22}^{d} - \frac{y_{23}^{d} y_{32}^{d}}{y_{33}^{d}}| \epsilon_2 \epsilon, \]

\[ m_1 \approx |y_{11}^{d} - \frac{y_{12}^{d} y_{21}^{d}}{y_{33}^{d}}| - \frac{y_{13}^{d} (y_{31}^{d} y_{23}^{d} - y_{21}^{d} y_{32}^{d}) - y_{11}^{d} y_{13}^{d} y_{12}^{d} y_{23}^{d}}{y_{22}^{d} - \frac{y_{23}^{d} y_{32}^{d}}{y_{33}^{d}} |y_{33}^{d}|} |y_{33}^{d}|. \] (10)

where \( \epsilon = \frac{\nu}{\sqrt{2M_R}} \), and \( M_R = \langle \chi_7 \rangle \) is the Majorana mass scale.

The leptonic mixing angles are approximately found to be[40],

\[ \sin \theta_{12}^{\nu} \simeq \left| \frac{y_{12}^{d} \epsilon_4}{y_{22}^{d} \epsilon_5} - \frac{y_{13}^{d} \epsilon_1}{y_{33}^{d} \epsilon_3} \right|, \sin \theta_{13}^{\nu} \simeq \left| \frac{y_{23}^{d} \epsilon_5}{y_{33}^{d} \epsilon_6} - \frac{y_{23}^{d} \epsilon_2}{y_{33}^{d} \epsilon_3} \right|, \]

\[ \sin \theta_{23}^{\nu} \simeq \left| \frac{y_{13}^{d} \epsilon_1}{y_{33}^{d} \epsilon_3} - \frac{y_{12}^{d} y_{23}^{d} \epsilon_1 \epsilon_5}{y_{22}^{d} y_{33}^{d} \epsilon_2 \epsilon_6} - \frac{y_{13}^{d} \epsilon_1}{y_{33}^{d} \epsilon_3} \right|. \] (11)

We note that the neutrino mixing angles turn out to be similar to those of the quark sector. It may be understood from the unification perspective. For instance, it is already known that there could be a scenario where unification of the neutrino and quark mixing is possible[42]. In such a scenario, the large neutrino mixing angles are the result of of renormalization group evolution [43]-[47].
2.2 Benchmark points for fermionic masses, quark-mixing and neutrino oscillation parameters

In the case of the HVM, the need is to explain the whole fermionic mass and mixing spectrum including neutrino oscillation parameters using just six hierarchical VEVs and the Majorana mass scale. We particularly note that the weak phases of the CKM matrix place extremely strong constraints on models trying to explain origin of the flavour in the SM. Since any theory beyond the SM has to explain neutrino masses and mixing, this makes survivability of any particular model of flavour miserable.

The charged fermion masses are reproduced using the following values of the fermion masses at 1 TeV[48],

\[
\begin{align*}
\{m_t, m_c, m_u\} &\simeq \{150.7 \pm 3.4, 0.532^{+0.074}_{-0.073}, (1.10^{+0.43}_{-0.37}) \times 10^{-3}\} \text{ GeV}, \\
\{m_b, m_s, m_d\} &\simeq \{2.43 \pm 0.08, 4.7^{+1.4}_{-1.3} \times 10^{-2}, 2.50^{+1.08}_{-1.03} \times 10^{-3}\} \text{ GeV}, \\
\{m_\tau, m_\mu, m_\epsilon\} &\simeq \{1.78 \pm 0.2, 0.105^{+9.4 \times 10^{-9}}_{-9.3 \times 10^{-9}}, 4.96 \pm 0.00000043 \times 10^{-4}\} \text{ GeV}. 
\end{align*}
\]

The magnitudes and phases of the Cabibbo–Kobayashi–Maskawa (CKM) mixing elements are reproduced using following available data[49],

\[
\begin{align*}
|V_{ud}| &= 0.97446 \pm 0.0001, |V_{us}| = 0.22452 \pm 0.0004, |V_{cb}| = 0.04214 \pm 0.00075, \\
|V_{ub}| &= 0.00365 \pm 0.00012, \sin 2\beta = 0.691 \pm 0.017, \alpha = (84.5^{+5.9}_{-5.2})^o, \gamma = (73.5^{+4.2}_{-5.1})^o \\
\end{align*}
\]

The neutrino oscillation parameters are given as [50],

\[
\begin{align*}
\Delta m^2_{21} &= (7.55^{+0.59}_{-0.5}) \times 10^{-5} \text{eV}^2, |\Delta m^2_{31}| = (2.50 \pm 0.09) \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2, \\
\sin^2 \theta_{12} &= (3.20^{+0.59}_{-0.47}) \times 10^{-1}, \sin^2 \theta_{23} = (5.47^{+0.52}_{-1.02}) \times 10^{-1}, \sin^2 \theta_{13} = (2.160^{+0.25}_{-0.20}) \times 10^{-2},
\end{align*}
\]

where range of errors is 3\sigma.

The fermion masses and mixing are fitted by defining

\[
\chi^2 = \frac{(m_q - m_q^{\text{model}})^2}{\sigma^2_{m_q}} + \frac{(m_\ell - m_\ell^{\text{model}})^2}{\sigma^2_{m_\ell}} + \frac{(\sin \theta_{ij} - \sin \theta_{ij}^{\text{model}})^2}{\sigma^2_{\sin \theta_{ij}}} + \frac{(\sin 2\beta - \sin 2\beta^{\text{model}})^2}{\sigma^2_{\sin 2\beta}} \\
+ \frac{(\alpha - \alpha^{\text{model}})^2}{\sigma^2_{\alpha}} + \frac{(\gamma - \gamma^{\text{model}})^2}{\sigma^2_{\gamma}} + \frac{(\Delta m^2_{21} - \Delta m^2_{21}^{\text{model}})^2}{\sigma^2_{\Delta m^2_{21}}} + \frac{(\Delta m^2_{31} - \Delta m^2_{31}^{\text{model}})^2}{\sigma^2_{\Delta m^2_{31}}}
\]

where \(q = u, d, c, s, t, b, \ell = e, \mu, \tau\) and \(i, j = 1, 2, 3\).

The weak phases of the CKM matrix in the standard choice are given by,

\[
\beta^{\text{model}} = \arg \left(-\frac{V_{cd}V_{cb}^*}{V_{td}V_{tb}^*}\right), \quad \alpha^{\text{model}} = \arg \left(-\frac{V_{td}V_{tb}^*}{V_{ud}V_{ub}^*}\right), \quad \gamma^{\text{model}} = \arg \left(-\frac{V_{ud}V_{ub}^*}{V_{cd}V_{cb}^*}\right).
\]

The dimensionless coefficients \(y^{u,d,\ell}_{ij} = |y^{u,d,\ell}_{ij}|e^{i\phi^{u,d,\ell}_{ij}}\) are scanned with \(|y^{u,d,\ell}_{ij}| \in [0.5, 4\pi]\) and \(\phi^{u,d,\ell}_{ij} \in [0, 2\pi]\), and corresponding coefficients for leptonic sector \(y^{\nu}_{ij} = |y^{\nu}_{ij}|e^{i\phi^{\nu}_{ij}}\) are scanned with \(|y^{\nu}_{ij}| \in [0.5, 4\pi]\) and \(\phi^{\nu}_{ij} \in [0, 2\pi]\).
The result of fitting is,
\[
\begin{align*}
\{ |y_{11}|, |y_{12}|, |y_{13}|, |y_{21}|, |y_{22}|, |y_{23}|, |y_{31}|, |y_{32}|, |y_{33}| \} &= \{ 0.55, 0.67, 0.54, 1.48, 1.09, 1.1, 1.42, 0.54, 0.97 \}, \\
\{ \phi_{11}^d, \phi_{12}^d, \phi_{13}^d, \phi_{21}^d, \phi_{22}^d, \phi_{23}^d, \phi_{31}^d, \phi_{32}^d, \phi_{33}^d \} &= \{ 3.39, 1.05, 0.72, 1.41, 3.71, 3.56, 3.47, 0.98, 5.05 \}, \\
\{ |y_{11}|^d, |y_{12}|^d, |y_{13}|^d, |y_{21}|^d, |y_{22}|^d, |y_{23}|^d, |y_{31}|^d, |y_{32}|^d, |y_{33}|^d \} &= \{ 1.62, 2.17, 2.22, 2.16, 0.5, 1.17, 1.47, 0.52, 1.34 \}, \\
\{ \phi_{11}^d, \phi_{12}^d, \phi_{13}^d, \phi_{21}^d, \phi_{22}^d, \phi_{23}^d, \phi_{31}^d, \phi_{32}^d, \phi_{33}^d \} &= \{ 4.72, 5.91, 4.37, 0.52, 2.49, 5.70, 1.93, 1.63, 3.87 \}, \\
\{ |y_{11}|^\ell, |y_{12}|^\ell, |y_{13}|^\ell, |y_{21}|^\ell, |y_{22}|^\ell, |y_{23}|^\ell, |y_{31}|^\ell, |y_{32}|^\ell, |y_{33}|^\ell \} &= \{ 4.27, 12.57, 12.47, 12.47, 1.33, 10.63, 0.95, 0.5, 0.5 \}, \\
\{ \phi_{11}^\ell, \phi_{12}^\ell, \phi_{13}^\ell, \phi_{21}^\ell, \phi_{22}^\ell, \phi_{23}^\ell, \phi_{31}^\ell, \phi_{32}^\ell, \phi_{33}^\ell \} &= \{ 5.08, 5.31, 0.77, 0.64, 2.51, 1.45, 5.28, 1.02, 0.76 \}, \\
\{ |y_{11}|^\nu, |y_{12}|^\nu, |y_{13}|^\nu, |y_{21}|^\nu, |y_{22}|^\nu, |y_{23}|^\nu, |y_{31}|^\nu, |y_{32}|^\nu, |y_{33}|^\nu \} &= \{ 11.99, 12.57, 2.68, 0.5, 0.5, 12.57, 0.5, 1.03, 0.56 \}, \\
\{ \phi_{11}^\nu, \phi_{12}^\nu, \phi_{13}^\nu, \phi_{21}^\nu, \phi_{22}^\nu, \phi_{23}^\nu, \phi_{31}^\nu, \phi_{32}^\nu, \phi_{33}^\nu \} &= \{ 0.46, 5.22, 2.65, 3, 1.87, 6.16, 5.05, 3.90, 3.64 \}, \\
\epsilon_1 &= 8.54 \times 10^{-6}, \epsilon_2 = 3.75 \times 10^{-3}, \epsilon_3 = 0.89, \epsilon_4 = 2.28 \times 10^{-5}, \epsilon_5 = 4.29 \times 10^{-4}, \epsilon_6 = 1.04 \times 10^{-2}, \\
\epsilon &= 9.99 \times 10^{-11}, \delta = 1.196, \chi_{\text{min}}^2 = 4.61, \quad (17)
\end{align*}
\]
where \( \delta \) is the Dirac CP phase of the CKM matrix.

### 2.3 Scalar potential of the HVM

In the absence of interactions among Higgs doublet and singlet scalar fields, there is a global \( SU(7) \) symmetry in the scalar sector such that the fields \( \chi_i \) of the HVM can be accommodated in its fundamental representation as shown below,

\[
\chi = \begin{pmatrix}
\chi_1 \\
\chi_2 \\
\chi_3 \\
\chi_4 \\
\chi_5 \\
\chi_6 \\
\chi_7
\end{pmatrix}.
\quad (18)
\]

Hence, the scalar potential is written as,

\[
V = \mu^2 \varphi^\dagger \varphi + \lambda (\varphi^\dagger \varphi)^2 + \mu_1 \chi^\dagger \chi + \lambda_1 (\chi^\dagger \chi)^2 + \lambda_2 \varphi^\dagger \varphi \chi^\dagger \chi + V_1,
\quad (19)
\]

where

\[
V_1 = \rho_1 (\chi_1^3 + \chi_1^{13}) + \rho_2 (\chi_2^3 + \chi_2^{13}) + \rho_3 (\chi_3^3 + \chi_3^{13}) + \rho_4 (\chi_4^3 + \chi_4^{13}) + \rho_5 (\chi_5^3 + \chi_5^{13})
\quad + \rho_6 (\chi_6^3 + \chi_6^{13}) + \rho_7 (\chi_7^3 + \chi_7^{13})
\quad (20)
\]

where the term \( V_1 \) breaks global symmetries softly\(^2\).

We parametrize the VEVs of the fields \( \chi_i \) in the following way:

\[
\langle \chi_i \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (v_i + s_i + a_i).
\quad (21)
\]

\(^2\)The term \( V_1 \) may be originated from a gauged symmetry which is broken at a higher scale. Introducing soft-breaking terms is also justified from the cosmological point since it will avoid the domain-wall problem.
The mass square eigenvalues of the mass matrix are given by,

\[
\begin{align*}
\lambda^2 &= -\lambda v^2, \ v_1 = -\sqrt{2} (\mu^2 + \lambda_1 \omega^2), \ v_2 = -\sqrt{2} (\mu^2 + \lambda_1 \omega^2), \ v_3 = -\sqrt{2} (\mu^2 + \lambda_1 \omega^2), \\
v_4 &= \frac{\sqrt{2} (\mu^2 + \lambda_1 \omega^2)}{3 \rho_4}, \ v_5 = \frac{\sqrt{2} (\mu^2 + \lambda_1 \omega^2)}{3 \rho_5}, \ v_6 = \frac{\sqrt{2} (\mu^2 + \lambda_1 \omega^2)}{3 \rho_6}, \ v_7 = \frac{\sqrt{2} (\mu^2 + \lambda_1 \omega^2)}{3 \rho_7},
\end{align*}
\]

where \( \omega^2 = v_1^2 + v_2^2 + v_3^2 + v_4^2 + v_5^2 + v_6^2 + v_7^2 \).

Thus we observe a seesaw-like relation between the VEVs of the fields \( \chi_i \) and the corresponding soft breaking term, i.e.,

\[
v_i \propto \frac{1}{\rho_i}.
\]

The mass matrix of \( CP \) even components of the fields \( \chi_i \) is constructed by computing the second derivatives \( M^2_{ij} = \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial v_i \partial v_j} \), and is given as,

\[
M^2 = \begin{pmatrix}
\lambda_1 d_{11} - \mu^2 & 2\lambda_1 v_1 v_4 & 2\lambda_1 v_1 v_5 & 2\lambda_1 v_1 v_6 & 2\lambda_1 v_1 v_3 & 2\lambda_1 v_1 v_7 \\
2\lambda_1 v_1 v_4 & -\lambda_1 d_{22} - \mu^2 & 2\lambda_1 v_2 v_5 & 2\lambda_1 v_2 v_6 & 2\lambda_1 v_2 v_3 & 2\lambda_1 v_2 v_7 \\
2\lambda_1 v_1 v_5 & 2\lambda_1 v_2 v_5 & -\lambda_1 d_{33} - \mu^2 & 2\lambda_1 v_3 v_6 & 2\lambda_1 v_3 v_3 & 2\lambda_1 v_3 v_7 \\
2\lambda_1 v_1 v_6 & 2\lambda_1 v_2 v_6 & 2\lambda_1 v_3 v_6 & -\lambda_1 d_{44} - \mu^2 & 2\lambda_1 v_4 v_3 & 2\lambda_1 v_4 v_7 \\
2\lambda_1 v_1 v_3 & 2\lambda_1 v_2 v_3 & 2\lambda_1 v_3 v_3 & 2\lambda_1 v_4 v_3 & -\lambda_1 d_{55} - \mu^2 & 2\lambda_1 v_5 v_3 \\
2\lambda_1 v_1 v_7 & 2\lambda_1 v_2 v_7 & 2\lambda_1 v_3 v_7 & 2\lambda_1 v_4 v_7 & 2\lambda_1 v_5 v_7 & -\lambda_1 d_{77} - \mu^2
\end{pmatrix}
\]

where

\[
\begin{align*}
d_{11} &= (2v_1^2 - \omega^2), \\
d_{22} &= (\omega^2 - 2v_2^2), \\
d_{33} &= (\omega^2 - 2v_3^2), \\
d_{44} &= (\omega^2 - 2v_4^2), \\
d_{55} &= (\omega^2 - 2v_5^2), \\
d_{66} &= (\omega^2 - 2v_6^2), \\
d_{77} &= (\omega^2 - 2v_7^2).
\end{align*}
\]

The mass square eigenvalues of the mass matrix are given by,

\[
\begin{align*}
m^2_{S_{1-6}} &= -\mu^2 - \lambda_1 (v_1^2 + v_2^2) + \mathcal{O}(\frac{v_1^2}{v_3^2}), \\
m^2_{S_7} &= -\mu^2 + \lambda_1 (v_3^2 + v_7^2) + \mathcal{O}(\frac{v_1^2}{v_3^2}).
\end{align*}
\]

\(^{3}\)This is done for purely phenomenological purpose keeping in mind that the discovered Higgs at the LHC is behaving like the SM Higgs boson. However, an origin of this assumption will be provided when we discuss a TC origin of the HVM.
The mass matrix of the \( CP \) odd components of the scalar fields is diagonal, and masses of pseudo scalar states are,

\[
m_{A_{1-7}}^2 = \frac{3}{2} (\mu_1^2 + \lambda_1 \omega^2)
\]  

(27)

In the phenomenological investigation, the parameter \( \mu_1 \) can be traded with the mass of either a scalar or a pseudo-scalars.

We note that the conditions given in the eq. 22 are not sufficient for the absolute minimum. In addition to this, the Jacobian is needed to be positive which requires that mass-squared eigenvalues must be positive. This requirement leads to the condition \( \lambda_1 > 0 \).

2.4 A UV completion of the HVM

For obtaining a UV completion of the HVM, we employ vector-like fermions which are an active field of research and appears various extensions of the SM[51]-[54, 55]. Thus, we introduce following vector-like fermionic fields transforming under the SM symmetry \( SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \) as,

\[
F_{L,R} : U^i_{L,R} : (3, 1, \frac{4}{3}), D^i_{L,R} : (3, 1, -\frac{2}{3}), N^i_{L,R} : (1, 1, 0), E^i_{L,R} : (1, 1, -2),
\]  

(28)

where \( i = 1, 2, 3 \).

The transformations of above fields under the \( Z_2, Z'_2 \) and \( Z''_2 \) symmetries are shown in table 2.

| Fields          | \( Z_2 \) | \( Z'_2 \) | \( Z''_2 \) |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| \( U^i_{L,R}, N^i_{L,R}, D^i_{L,R}, E^i_{L,R} \) | +         | +         | -         |
| \( U^2_{L,R}, N^2_{L,R}, D^2_{L,R}, E^2_{L,R} \) | +         | -         | +         |
| \( U^3_{L,R}, N^3_{L,R}, D^3_{L,R}, E^3_{L,R} \) | -         | +         | +         |

Table 2: The charges of vector-like fermions under \( Z_2, Z'_2 \) and \( Z''_2 \) symmetries.

The interactions of vector-like fermions with the SM fermions are given by,

\[
\mathcal{L} = y^u_i \bar{\psi}^i_{Lq} \tilde{\varphi} U^i_R + y^d_i \bar{\psi}^i_{Lq} \tilde{\varphi} D^i_R + y^\nu_i \bar{\psi}^i_{Lq} \tilde{\varphi} N^i_R + y^\ell_i \bar{\psi}^i_{Lq} \tilde{\varphi} E^i_R + H.c.
\]  

(29)

The singlet scalar fields interact with vector-like fermions and the singlet fermions of the SM through the following Lagrangian,

\[
\mathcal{L} = h^u_i \bar{U}^i_{LX} \psi^u_R + h^d_i \bar{D}^i_{LX} \varphi \psi^d_R + h^\ell_i \bar{E}^i_{LX} \psi^\ell_R + h^\nu_i \bar{N}^i_{LX} \varphi \psi^\nu_R + H.c.
\]  

(30)

where \( u = u_R, c_R, t_R, d = d_R, s_R, b_R, \ell = e_R, \mu_R, \tau_R \) and \( \nu = \nu_{e_R}, \nu_{\mu_R}, \nu_{\tau_R} \).

The masses of new fermions are derived from the Lagrangian,

\[
\mathcal{L} = M^u_i \bar{U}^i_{L} U^i_R + M^d_i \bar{D}^i_{L} D^i_R + M^\nu_i \bar{N}^i_{L} N^i_R + M^\ell_i \bar{E}^i_{L} E^i_R + H.c.
\]  

(31)

3 Technicolour origin of the HVM

In this section, we shall discuss how the hierarchical VEVs can be obtained in a TC framework. The well known problem of the standard TC models is the presence of large FCNC effects. This is related to
the mass generation mechanism of the TC models. For instance, the mass of an SM fermion is written as,

\[ m_f \propto \frac{\Lambda_{ETC}^3}{\Lambda_{TC}^2}, \]  

(32)

where \( \Lambda_{ETC} \) shows the scale of the extended TC (ETC) gauge sector and \( \Lambda_{TC} \) denotes the TC mass scale. For the suppression of the FCNC effects, the \( \Lambda_{ETC} \) must be very high that will result in an unrealistic top quark mass.

The hierarchical VEVs may appear in the framework of dynamical symmetry breaking where the hypothesis of the most attractive channel (MAC) creates favourable energy scales in the form of chiral condensates[56]. The MAC hypothesis is extended to the multi-fermion case and is referred to as the extended MAC scenario (EMAC)[57, 58].

In the EMAC scenario, the most attractive channel for the two-body system for an \( SU(N) \) gauge theory is the \( \bar{\psi}_L \psi_R \) state, and the state \( \left( \bar{\psi}_L \psi_R \right)^n \) turns out to be the most attractive channel as \( n \) approaches to a larger value. The energy associated with a multi-fermion condensation is given as[57, 58],

\[ E(n) = \frac{1}{n} E(\bar{\psi}^{n/2}_L \psi_R^{n/2}) \lesssim V_E^L \frac{N^2 - 1}{N} - V_M^L N - \frac{1}{N}, \]  

(33)

where \( V_E^L \) and \( V_M^L \) are the electric and magnetic part of the Hamiltonian of two fermions system.

We observe that the multi fermion systems become more attractive for the larger values of \( n \) resulting the hierarchical structure for the multi fermion condensations:

\[ \langle \bar{\psi}_L \psi_R \rangle << \langle \bar{\psi}_L \bar{\psi}_L \psi_R \psi_R \rangle << \langle \bar{\psi}_L \bar{\psi}_L \bar{\psi}_L \psi_R \psi_R \psi_R \rangle << \ldots \]  

(34)

This hierarchy can be parametrized as[58],

\[ \langle (\bar{\psi}_L \psi_R)^n \rangle \sim (\Lambda \exp(k\Delta \chi))^{3n}, \]  

(35)

where \( \Delta \chi \) denotes the chirality of an operator, \( k \) a constant and \( \Lambda \) shows the scale of the underlying gauge theory.

This results in the breaking of an axial \( U(1) \) symmetry in a hierarchical pattern[58],

\[ U(1)_A \rightarrow Z_m \rightarrow \ldots \rightarrow Z_8 \rightarrow Z_6 \rightarrow Z_4 \rightarrow Z_2, \]  

(36)

where the first step of the breaking is caused by the instanton effects.

Before we begin to construct our TC framework, we recall an important ad hoc assumption which we made while analysing the scalar potential of the HVM. In the section 2.3, we assumed that the mixing between the Higgs field and the singlet scalar fields must be very small owing to the observed fact that the discovered Higgs boson is behaving like the SM Higgs boson so far. This is equivalent to saying that \( \lambda_2 \approx 0 \).

This fact may be a guiding principle for building models beyond the SM. Moreover, this may be the first hint that the Higgs field is not a fundamental scalar field. The reason is that almost all the beyond the SM theories contain extra scalar fields. These extra fields always mix with the SM Higgs field. If these scalar fields are fundamental, then their interaction coupling has to be chosen very small to make it compatible with the discovered Higgs data without providing a theoretical reason. However, if these scalar fields are bound states of some new strong forces, then there is a possible mechanism, as we shall show in the following discussion, to suppress the mixing between the Higgs field and the additional scalar fields.
We shall now present a TC origin of the HVM by using EMAC scenario with a new mechanism of associating different VEVs to different fermions among and within the families. This mechanism is inspired by the mechanism discussed in ref. [59] for identifying generations of fermions in a different context.

As discussed above, the mixing between the SM Higgs field and singlet scalar fields must be very small to satisfy the discovered Higgs data. This can be achieved if the Higgs field is a bound state of a TC force and singlet scalar fields are bound states of a different TC force. Moreover, these two different TC forces are accommodated in a common ETC theory. Then mixing between the Higgs field and singlet scalar fields will be mediated by the ETC gauge sector. Hence, it is suppressed at least by the factor $1/A_{ETC}^{2}$ resulting extremely small values for the quartic coupling $\lambda_{2}$. This is the reason and motivation for us to introduce two TC symmetries $SU(N_{TC})$ and $SU(N_{DTC})$, where DTC stands for “dark TC” in our model.

Moreover, it is assumed that the vector-like fermions $F_{L,R}$ correspond to a different QCD-like gauge group $SU(N_{F})$. Thus our model is a strongly interacting sector based on $SU(N_{TC}) \times SU(N_{DTC}) \times SU(N_{F})$ symmetry.

Our TC model contains only one doublet of fermions of Weinberg[13] and Susskind[14] models transforming under $SU(3)_{c} \times SU(2)_{L} \times U(1)_{Y} \times SU(N_{TC}) \times SU(N_{DTC}) \times SU(N_{F})$ as,

$$
T_{q} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} T \cr B \end{pmatrix}_{L} : (1, 2, 0, N_{TC}, 1, 1),
$$

$$
T_{R} \equiv (1, 1, 1, N_{TC}, 1, 1), B_{R} : (3, 1, -1, N_{TC}, 1, 1),
$$

where electric charges $+\frac{1}{2}$ for $T$ and $-\frac{1}{2}$ for $B$.

For the DTC symmetry our model is,

$$
D^{i}_{q} \equiv C^{i}_{L,R} : (1, 1, 1, 1, N_{DTC}, 1), S^{i}_{L,R} : (1, 1, -1, 1, N_{DTC}, 1),
$$

where $i = 1 - 6$ and electric charges $+\frac{1}{2}$ for $C$ and $-\frac{1}{2}$ for $S$.

The symmetry $SU(N_{F})$ have the following fermions,

$$
F_{L,R} \equiv U^{i}_{L,R} \equiv (3, 1, \frac{4}{3}, 1, 1, N_{F}), D^{i}_{L,R} \equiv (3, 1, -\frac{2}{3}, 1, 1, N_{F}),
$$

$$
N^{i}_{L,R} \equiv (1, 1, 0, 1, 1, N_{F}), E^{i}_{L,R} \equiv (1, 1, -2, 1, 1, N_{F}),
$$

where $i = 1, 2, 3$.

It is obvious that we have a global $SU(12)_{L} \times SU(12)_{R} \times U(1)$ flavour symmetry corresponding to the $SU(N_{DTC})$. Furthermore, there exists an extra $U(1)_{X_{DTC}}$ axial symmetry for the $SU(N_{F})_{DTC}$ gauge group. We further assume that the SM fermions, techniquarks and vector-like fermions can be further embedded in an ETC group $G_{ETC}$ where $G_{ETC}$ is not known yet.

Moreover the $U(1)_{X_{DTC}}$ axial symmetry is broken by instantons of dark TC force leading to non vanishing VEV for a $2K$-fermion operator having $X_{DTC} = 2K$ quantum number where $K$ is the number of flavours[59]. This operator does not have any other quantum number such as colour or flavour resulting the breaking of the $U(1)_{X_{DTC}}$ axial symmetry to $Z_{2K}$ conserved subgroup. This breaking provides us conserved axial quantum numbers $X_{DTC}$ modulo $2K$[59].

We can now form composite operators corresponding to the singlet scalar fields $\chi_{i}$ which can be associated with different SM fermions among and within the generations. These operators must carry non-vanishing global axial charge $X_{DTC}$ which is conserved modulo $2K$. These charges of DTC and SM fermions under $U(1)_{X_{DTC}}$ symmetries are defined in table 3.
Thus the breaking of the $U(1)_{DTC}$ axial symmetry undergoes the following steps,

$$U(1)_{DTC} \to Z_{24} \to Z_{22} \to Z_{20} \to Z_{18} \to Z_{16} \to Z_{14} \to Z_{12} \to Z_{10} \to Z_{8} \to Z_{6} \to Z_{4} \to Z_{2},$$

where the first breaking is caused by the instantons effects.

For instance, the following hierarchical condensates may be created which are subject to the imposition of $Z_2$, $Z'_2$ and $Z''_2$ symmetries,

$$\langle \bar{C}_L C_R \rangle << \langle (\bar{C}_L C_R)^3 \rangle << \langle (\bar{C}_L C_R)^5 \rangle << \langle (\bar{C}_L C_R)^7 \rangle << \langle (\bar{C}_L C_R)^9 \rangle.$$  

We can identify the operator $(\bar{C}_L C_R)^9$ having $X_{DTC} = 18$ with the field $\chi_3$, the operator $(\bar{C}_L C_R)^7$ having $X_{DTC} = 14$ with the field $\chi_6$, the operator $(\bar{C}_L C_R)^5$ having $X_{DTC} = 10$ with the field $\chi_2$, the operator $(\bar{C}_L C_R)^3$ having $X_{DTC} = 6$ with the field $\chi_5$ and the operator $\bar{C}_L C_R$ having $X_{DTC} = 2$ with the field $\chi_1$. The field $\chi_4$ is an operator of the form $\bar{C}_R C_L$ having $X_{DTC} = -2$.

Thus, we have obtained five energy scales, discussed in section 1, which can distinguish the SM fermions within and among generations resulting an explanation for the fermionic mass spectrum of the SM.

\begin{table}
\centering
\begin{tabular}{|l|c|}
\hline
Fields & $U(1)_{X_{DTC}}$ \\
\hline
$C_L^1, N_L^1, S_L^1, \bar{C}_L^1$ & 1 \\
$C_R^1, N_R^1, S_R^1, \bar{C}_R^1$ & 1 \\
$\psi_L^1, \bar{\psi}_L^1$ & -2 \\
$\psi_L^2, \bar{\psi}_L^2$ & -10 \\
$\psi_L^3, \bar{\psi}_L^3$ & -18 \\
$\psi_R^0, \bar{\psi}_R^0$ & 0 \\
$\psi_R^4, \bar{\psi}_R^4$ & 4 \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
\caption{The additive charges of left- and right-handed SM and DTC fermionic fields under $U(1)_{X_{DTC}}$ symmetry.}
\end{table}
By performing Fierz rearrangement we obtain,

$$\beta_{ij} \frac{T^i d T^j d C f}{\Lambda_{ETC}^4 \Lambda_F}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (43)

The mass of the SM fermion, for instance the mass of the $u$-quark, can be approximated as,

$$m_f \propto \beta \frac{\Lambda_T^3}{\Lambda_{ETC}^3} \frac{1}{\Lambda_F} \frac{\Lambda_{DTC}^{11}}{\Lambda_{ETC}^{11}} \exp(2k),$$  \hspace{1cm} (44)

where $\Lambda_F$ is the mass scale of the vector-like fermion.

In a similar way, one can obtain masses of the other fermions. In figure 2, we show the interactions which are responsible for providing mass to the $s$-quark.

Figure 2: Interactions of the $s$-quark, TC and DTC fermions with the ETC gauge sector are shown on the left. The $s$-quark mass is generated from these interactions on the right. Here, nameless solid lines represent DTC fermions.

In summary, the masses of the SM fermions assuming $\beta = 1$ can be written using equation 35, and are,

$$m_u = y_u \frac{\Lambda_T^3}{\Lambda_{ETC}^3} \frac{1}{\Lambda_F} \frac{\Lambda_{DTC}^1}{\Lambda_{ETC}^1} \exp(2k),$$

$$m_c = y_c \frac{\Lambda_T^3}{\Lambda_{ETC}^3} \frac{1}{\Lambda_F} \frac{\Lambda_{DTC}^{10}}{\Lambda_{ETC}^{10}} \exp(10k),$$

$$m_t = y_t \frac{\Lambda_T^3}{\Lambda_{ETC}^3} \frac{1}{\Lambda_F} \frac{\Lambda_{DTC}^{18}}{\Lambda_{ETC}^{18}} \exp(18k),$$

$$m_d = y_d \frac{\Lambda_T^3}{\Lambda_{ETC}^3} \frac{1}{\Lambda_F} \frac{\Lambda_{DTC}^2}{\Lambda_{ETC}^2} \exp(2k),$$

$$m_s = y_s \frac{\Lambda_T^3}{\Lambda_{ETC}^3} \frac{1}{\Lambda_F} \frac{\Lambda_{DTC}^7}{\Lambda_{ETC}^7} \exp(6k),$$

$$m_b = y_b \frac{\Lambda_T^3}{\Lambda_{ETC}^3} \frac{1}{\Lambda_F} \frac{\Lambda_{DTC}^{14}}{\Lambda_{ETC}^{14}} \exp(14k),$$

$$m_e = y_e \frac{\Lambda_T^3}{\Lambda_{ETC}^3} \frac{1}{\Lambda_F} \frac{\Lambda_{DTC}^2}{\Lambda_{ETC}^2} \exp(2k),$$

$$m_\mu = y_\mu \frac{\Lambda_T^3}{\Lambda_{ETC}^3} \frac{1}{\Lambda_F} \frac{\Lambda_{DTC}^7}{\Lambda_{ETC}^7} \exp(6k),$$

$$m_\tau = y_\tau \frac{\Lambda_T^3}{\Lambda_{ETC}^3} \frac{1}{\Lambda_F} \frac{\Lambda_{DTC}^{15}}{\Lambda_{ETC}^{15}} \exp(14k),$$

where we have assumed $\Delta \chi = 0$ for the $TC$ and $F$ sectors.

### 3.1 Scalar mass, TC and F scales

We can have some indication on the dynamics of the TC and F symmetries through the 't Hooft large $N$ limit[60, 61]. Using the fact that $SU(N_F)$ is only a scaled-up QCD, the scale $\Lambda_F$ can be related to the QCD scale via following scaling relation,

$$\Lambda_F \sim \sqrt{\frac{3}{N_F F_F}} \Lambda_{QCD}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (46)
Now assuming that $SU(N_{TC})$ is a scaled-down $SU(N)_F$, the scale $\Lambda_{TC}$ is given by,

$$\Lambda_{TC} \sim \sqrt{\frac{N_F}{N_{TC}} \frac{F_{TC}}{F_F} \Lambda_F}. \quad (47)$$

Thus, we write the non-trivial scaling relation of our model,

$$\Lambda_F^2 \sim \sqrt{\frac{3N_{TC}^2}{N_F^2} \frac{F_F^2}{F_{TC} F_\pi} \Lambda_{TC} \Lambda_{QCD}}, \quad (48)$$

which will be used to determine $\Lambda_F$ or $F_F$. This equation can be written in the following form

$$\Lambda_{TC} \sim \sqrt{\frac{N^2_{TC}}{3N_F} \frac{\Lambda_F^2}{F_F} \frac{F_\pi}{\Lambda_{QCD}} F_{TC}}. \quad (49)$$

For $\Lambda_F \approx F_F, N_{TC} = 3, N_F = 11$, we observe that the scale $\Lambda_{TC}$ is suppressed by the factor $\frac{F_\pi}{\Lambda_{QCD}}$.

Such scaling relations are extensively used in literature since the beginning of the TC paradigm[62, 63]. They follow from the Nambu-Jona-Lasinio approximation in large $N$ limit[64].

The electroweak VEV and TC decay constant are related by the following scaling rule,

$$F_{TC} \sim v \sqrt{\frac{1}{N_D}} \approx 246 \text{GeV}, \quad (50)$$

where $v = 246$ GeV and $N_D = 1$.

The lightest scalar mass (which is the Higgs boson for our TC model) for a QCD-like theory should be of the order of the dynamical mass scale of the theory[64]. For instance, in the case of QCD, it is the $\sigma$ meson whose mass is[65],

$$m_\sigma \approx 2\Lambda_{QCD}. \quad (51)$$

For our model, there are two such relations,

$$m_{\text{Higgs}} \approx 2\Lambda_{TC}. \quad (52)$$

where $m_{\text{Higgs}} = 125\text{GeV}[66, 67]$, and

$$m_{\sigma_F} \approx 2\Lambda_F. \quad (53)$$

This provides us the following scaling relation,

$$m_{\text{Higgs}} \approx \frac{\Lambda_{TC}}{\Lambda_F} m_{\sigma_F}. \quad (54)$$

Thus we see that there is $\frac{\Lambda_{TC}}{\Lambda_F}$ suppression in the mass of the Higgs where $\Lambda_{TC} \ll \Lambda_F$.

Now the question is what $\Lambda_F$ is. This can be answered by assuming that the couplings of $\Lambda_{TC}$ and $\Lambda_F$ are given by a larger unified theory such as a GUT with the unification condition,

$$\alpha_{TC}(M_{\text{GUT}}) = \alpha_F(M_{\text{GUT}}) = \alpha_3(M_{\text{GUT}}). \quad (55)$$

We can now use the renormalization group evolution to determine the scale $\Lambda_F$ to one-loop precision through the following equation[68],

$$\frac{\Lambda_F}{\Lambda_{QCD}} = \exp \left( \frac{2\pi (\beta_F^0 - \beta_0^QCD)}{\beta_F^0 \beta_0^QCD \alpha_3(M_{\text{GUT}})} \right), \quad (56)$$
and
\[
\frac{\Lambda_{\text{TC}}}{\Lambda_F} = \exp \left[ \frac{2\pi (\beta_0^{\text{TC}} - \beta_0^F)}{\beta_0^{\text{TC}} \beta_0^F \alpha_3(M_{\text{GUT}})} \right],
\]
(57)

Thus, the scale \(\Lambda_F\) is determined by,
\[
\frac{\Lambda_F^2}{\Lambda_{\text{TC}} \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}} = \exp \left[ \frac{2\pi (\beta_0^F - \beta_0^{\text{QCD}})}{\beta_0^F \beta_0^{\text{QCD}} \alpha_3(M_{\text{GUT}})} \right] \exp \left[ \frac{-2\pi (\beta_0^{\text{TC}} - \beta_0^F)}{\beta_0^{\text{TC}} \beta_0^F \alpha_3(M_{\text{GUT}})} \right]
\]
(58)

where,
\[
\beta_0^{\text{QCD}} = 11 - \frac{2}{3} n_f, \quad \beta_0^{\text{TC}} = \frac{11N_T}{3} - \frac{4}{3} N_D, \quad \beta_0^F = \frac{11N_F - 2}{3} n_F,
\]
(59)

where \(N_D\) are number of doublets and \(n_{f,F}\) are number of flavours.

Now using standard choices as inputs we can determine \(\Lambda_F\). For instance, \(n_f = 6, N_T = 3, N_D = 1, N_F = 11, n_F = 12\) and \(\alpha_3(M_{\text{GUT}}) = 1/30\), we obtain
\[
\frac{\Lambda_F^2}{\Lambda_{\text{TC}} \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}} = 3.57417 \times 10^{14}
\]
(60)

Thus for \(\Lambda_{\text{TC}} = m_{\text{Higgs}}/2\) and \(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 332\) MeV[49], we find \(\Lambda_F = 8.68048 \times 10^7\) GeV.

For \(F_x = 130\) MeV[49], \(v = 246\) GeV, and \(F_{\text{TC}} = v\), we estimate \(F_F = 2.06352 \times 10^8\) GeV from equation 48.

At this point, we naively estimate the asymptotic behaviour of our model. For this purpose, we assume a standard QCD-like fermionic self-energy which is[69],
\[
\frac{1}{4} \text{tr} \left( \Sigma^f(p) \right) = \frac{\Lambda^3}{p^2} \left( \frac{p}{\Lambda} \right)^\gamma_m,
\]
(61)

where the anomalous mass dimension is,
\[
\gamma_m(\mu) = \frac{2C_2(R)}{2\pi} \alpha_s(\mu) + O(\alpha_s(\mu)^2),
\]
(62)

and \(C_2(R)\) is the quadratic Casimir of the underlying non-Abelian gauge symmetry, and is given by \(C_2(R) = \frac{N^2 - 1}{2N}\) for an \(SU(N)\) group. From this we can estimate the asymptotic behaviour of the masses of the SM fermions which are given in equation 45. For TC sector, we have only one doublet, i.e., only two flavours. Therefore the anomalous mass dimension \(\gamma_m(\mu) \ll 1\) when \(\Lambda \geq \Lambda_{\text{TC}}\) providing,
\[
\frac{1}{4} \text{tr} \left( \Sigma^f(p) \right)_{\text{TC}} \approx \frac{\Lambda_{\text{TC}}^3}{p^2}.
\]
(63)

For QCD we have now 12 flavours (six ordinary quarks and six vector-like quarks from \(SU(N_F)\) sector). However, the anomalous mass dimension is still \(\gamma_m(\mu) \ll 1\) for \(\Lambda \geq \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}\). Thus providing negligible contribution to the masses of ordinary fermions. The same argument is also applicable for DTC sector which contains only 12 flavours. The scale \(SU(N_F)\) and \(ETC\), as we shall show, are approximately same. Hence, the contribution to the fermionic self-energy from the \(SU(N_F)\) sector does not affect the masses of ordinary fermions at \(\Lambda = \Lambda_F\) since \(\gamma_m(\mu) \ll 1\) for \(\Lambda \geq \Lambda_F\). Thus we see that the anomalous mass dimension is always \(\ll 1\) in our model escaping a walking type behaviour and showing a QCD-like dynamics.\(^4\)

\(^4\)A more sophisticated calculation requires solving Schwinger-Dyson equation. This is beyond the scope of this work, and will be presented in a future work.
3.2 Neutrino masses

Now we discuss the Majorana mass scales. In section 2.1, we ignored the Majorana mass terms for the left-handed neutrinos assuming it to be much smaller in comparison to that for the right-handed neutrinos. This can be justified in the present TC model. For instance, the origin of this term is shown in figure 3.

The contribution to the Majorana mass of the left-handed neutrinos can be approximately written as,

\[ M_L \propto \frac{\Lambda_{TC}^6}{\Lambda_F \Lambda_{ETC}^4}. \]  

The diagram which creates the Majorana mass for the right-handed neutrinos is shown in figure 4.

The majorana mass is produced by the state \((\bar{F}_L F_R)^2\) which can be identified with the field \(\chi_7\). Thus, the Majorana mass is,

\[ M_R \propto \frac{\Lambda_{ETC}^6}{\Lambda_F \Lambda_{ETC}^2}, \]  

where \(\langle \chi_7 \rangle = \langle (\bar{F}_L F_R)^2 \rangle\).

The masses of light neutrinos can be written as,

\[ m_1^\nu = y_1^\nu \frac{\Lambda_{ETC}^3}{\Lambda_F} \frac{1}{\Lambda_{ETC}^2} \exp(2k) \frac{1}{M_R}, \quad m_2^\nu = y_2^\nu \frac{\Lambda_{ETC}^3}{\Lambda_F} \frac{1}{\Lambda_{ETC}^2} \frac{1}{\Lambda_{ETC}^{10}} \exp(10k) \frac{1}{M_R}, \]  

\[ m_3^\nu = y_3^\nu \frac{\Lambda_{ETC}^3}{\Lambda_F} \frac{1}{\Lambda_{ETC}^2} \frac{1}{\Lambda_{ETC}^{18}} \exp(18k) \frac{1}{M_R}. \]
3.3 ETC scale, Fermion masses, DTC scale and Majorana mass scales

Flavour changing neutral current (FCNC) processes can be used to estimate the ETC scale \( \Lambda_{ETC} \). For instance, \( \Delta S = 2 \) FCNC processes place severe bounds on the ETC scale \( \Lambda_{ETC} \) through the \( K_L - K_S \) mass difference. After imposing this constraint, the ETC scale \( \Lambda_{ETC} \) turns out to be[38],
\[
\Lambda_{ETC} \gtrsim 10^3 \text{TeV}.
\] (67)

We can use the fact that our model should reproduce the fermions masses given in equation 12 to determine the scale \( \Lambda_{ETC} \) and \( \Lambda_{DTC} \) with the help of equation 45. This is done by assuming \( \Lambda_F = 8.68048 \times 10^7 \) GeV and \( |y_{u,d,c,s,t,b,e,\mu,\tau}| \leq [0.5, 4\pi] \). The results of the fit are,
\[
\begin{align*}
 y_u & = 0.59, y_c = 2.19, y_t = 4.85, y_d = 1.33, y_b = 2.21, y_s = 0.89, y_e = 0.5, \\
 y_{\mu} & = 4.93, y_\tau = 0.65, y'_{1} = 12.27, y'_{2} = 12.11, y'_{3} = 0.54, k = -13.9886, \\
 \Lambda_{ETC} & = 1.1 \times 10^7 \text{GeV}, \quad \Lambda_{DTC} = 2.4 \times 10^{13} \text{GeV}, \\
 M_R & = 3.36626 \times 10^{11} \text{GeV}, \quad \chi^2_{min} = 0.053.
\end{align*}
\]

From above results, we obtain \( M_L \approx 4.68992 \times 10^{-17} \) eV. Thus we see that the Majorana mass scale for the left-handed neutrinos is extremely small, and can be ignored as we assumed in section 2.1.

3.4 TC and DTC mixing

Now we shall show that the interaction between the Higgs doublet and the singlet scalar fields should be suppressed in our model. For instance, the term \( \varphi^\dagger \varphi \chi_1^\dagger \chi_1 \) can be created through the diagram shown in fig.5.

![Figure 5](image)

Figure 5: On the left eight-fermions interactions mediated by ETC neutral and charged gauge bosons are shown. We show the creation of the term \( \varphi^\dagger \varphi \chi_1^\dagger \chi_1 \) on the right.

The quartic coupling \( \lambda_{\varphi^\dagger \varphi \chi_1^\dagger \chi_1} \) approximately is,
\[
\lambda_{\varphi^\dagger \varphi \chi_1^\dagger \chi_1} \approx \frac{\Lambda_{TC}^6 \Lambda_{DTC}^6}{\Lambda_{ETC}^{12}} \exp(4k).
\] (69)

Using the already determined values of the scales \( \Lambda_{TC}, \Lambda_{ETC}, k \) and \( \Lambda_{DTC} \), we find \( \lambda_{\varphi^\dagger \varphi \chi_1^\dagger \chi_1} = 1.81614 \times 10^{-18} \). In a similar manner, we can show that the mixing of the SM Higgs field with other DTC multi fermion condensates are highly suppressed.

3.5 TC and F mixing

We investigate now the interactions between the TC and F sectors. This can be done through the term \( \varphi^\dagger \varphi \chi_7^\dagger \chi_7 \). We write this mixing approximately in the following form,
\[
\lambda_{\varphi^\dagger \varphi \chi_7^\dagger \chi_7} \approx \frac{\Lambda_{TC}^6 \Lambda_{F}^6}{\Lambda_{ETC}^{12}}.
\] (70)
Using values of the scales $\Lambda_{TC}, \Lambda_{ETC},$ and $\Lambda_F$, we find $\lambda_{\varphi^1\varphi_2^2\chi_7} = 8.12513 \times 10^{-27}$.

### 3.6 Experimental constraints

#### 3.6.1 $S$ parameter

The obliques parameters place bounds on TC theories\cite{70, 71}. In particular, the $S$ parameter in TC models may be in conflict with experimental observation. The experimental values of $S$ and $T$ parameters are \cite{72},

$$S = 0.00 \pm 0.07, \quad T = 0.05 \pm 0.06. \quad (71)$$

For strongly coupled theories, these parameters at next-to-leading-order are given by\cite{73},

$$S = 4\pi F_{II}^2 \left[ \frac{1}{M_V^2} + \frac{1}{M_A^2} \right] + \frac{1}{12\pi} \left[ \left( 1 - \frac{M_V^2}{M_A^2} \right) \left( \log \frac{M_V^2}{M_{Higgs}^2} - \frac{11}{6} \right) + \left( \frac{M_V^2}{M_A^2} - \frac{M_V^2}{M_A^2} \right) \log \frac{M_A^2}{M_V^2} \right], \quad (72)$$

$$T = \frac{3}{16\pi \cos^2 \theta_W} \left[ (1 - \kappa_W^2) \left( 1 + \log \frac{M_{Higgs}^2}{M_V^2} - \kappa_W^2 \log \frac{M_V^2}{M_A^2} \right) \right],$$

where the $\kappa_W = \frac{M_V^2}{M_A^2}$ parametrizes the coupling of the lightest scalar (Higgs boson) to two gauge bosons ($W + W^-$ or $ZZ$). These results are generic in nature and, can be used in specific strongly coupled theories such as presented in this work.

In the conventional TC models, the TC dynamics is a scaled up version of the QCD dynamics. Therefore, the masses of the vector and axial vector bosons $M_{V,A}$ only depend on the TC and the QCD dynamics (mass of the QCD $\rho$ meson). Hence, they cannot be very heavy, and provide a large value of the $S$ parameter which is difficult to reconcile with experimental observation \cite{34}. In the model presented in this work, the TC sector is not a scaled up QCD. Instead, it is a scaled down version of the $SU(N)_F$. This means that the masses of the vector and axial vector bosons $M_{V,A}$ depend on the $SU(N)_F$ dynamics (mass of the $SU(N)_F \rho$ meson), and can be much heavier than the conventional TC models, thus, providing a small value of the $S$ parameter which can be in agreement with the experimental value.

Now our objective is to determine the vector meson mass in our TC model. This can be done by observing the following scaling relation for the $F$ vector meson\cite{62, 63},

$$m_{PF} \approx \sqrt{\frac{3}{N_F} \frac{F_F}{F_\pi} m_{qQCD}}. \quad (73)$$

In a similar manner, we can write,

$$m_{\rho_{TC}} \approx \sqrt{\frac{N_F}{N_{TC}} \frac{F_{TC}}{F_F} m_{\rho_{QCD}}}. \quad (74)$$

Now we can write,

$$M_V = m_{\rho_{TC}} \approx \sqrt{\frac{N_F^2}{3 N_{TC}} \frac{F_F}{m_{qQCD} F_\pi} m_{\rho_{QCD}}^2 F_{TC}}, \quad (75)$$

where $F_{II} = F_{TC}$. 

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Figure 6: The variation of the $S$ parameter as a function of the mass of the vector meson $m_{\rho_F}$ for a benchmark value $\kappa_W = 1$ as adopted in reference [73].

In figure 6, we show the allowed range of the $S$ parameter for $m_{\rho_{QCD}} = 775\text{MeV}$ and a mass range of the vector meson above $m_{\rho_F} = 13.2\Lambda_F - 20\Lambda_F$ using a benchmark value $\kappa_W = 1$ as adopted in reference [73]. For this mass range of $m_{\rho_F}$, we obtain a range of the $S$ parameter to be $0.01326 - 0.07$.

In a similar manner, we determine the variation in the mass of the $TC$ vector meson $m_{\rho_{TC}}$ as a function of the mass of the vector meson $m_{\rho_F}$ which is shown in figure 7. The mass range of the vector meson $m_{\rho_{TC}}$ is approximately $4.665 - 10.71\text{TeV}$ for the $m_{\rho_F} = 12.3\Lambda_F - 20\Lambda_F$. There are direct and indirect searches available for this type of vector bosons, and they exclude it mass below $\approx 1\text{TeV}$ at the Large Hadron Collider [73, 74, 75, 76].
3.6.2 Pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone bosons masses

The masses of colourless pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone bosons (PNGB) with electroweak gauge charges originate from the gauge interactions, and can be written as,

\[ m_{\Pi_{TC}}^2 \sim \frac{F_\pi^2 \delta m_\pi^2}{F_\pi^2 \sin^2 \theta_W}, \]  

(76)

where \( \delta m_\pi = 4.59359 \text{ MeV} \). This can provide \( m_{\Pi_{TC}} \sim 100 \text{GeV} \). Moreover, we can also write the following scaling relation for the TC PNGB meson,

\[ m_{\Pi_{TC}} \approx \sqrt{\frac{N_F^2}{3N_{TC} m_{\pi_{QCD}}} \frac{m_{\Pi_F}^2}{F_\pi^2} F_{TC}.} \]

(77)

which can also give \( m_{\Pi_{TC}} \sim 100 \text{GeV} \) by assuming \( m_{\Pi_F} \approx 0.83 \Lambda_F \).

3.6.3 Scalar boson trilinear coupling

The measurement of the discovered Higgs trilinear self coupling is an important test to determine whether it is a fundamental or a composite boson[77]. The SM trilinear Higgs boson self-coupling can be extracted from the Lagrangian [78],

\[ \mathcal{L}_{H^3}^{\text{SM}} = \lambda_{H^3}^{\text{SM}} H^3 \]  

(78)

where

\[ \lambda_{H^3}^{\text{SM}} = \frac{m_H^2}{2v} = 0.129. \]  

(79)

The trilinear self-coupling of the observed Higgs boson can be parametrized through the following Lagrangian[77],

\[ \mathcal{L}_{H^3} = \xi \lambda_{H^3}^{\text{SM}} v H^3, \]  

(80)

where

\[ \xi = \frac{\lambda_{H^3}}{\lambda_{H^3}^{\text{SM}}}, \]  

(81)

where \( \xi \) quantifies the modification of the trilinear Higgs boson self-coupling. The bound on \( \xi \) is given by the CMS Collaboration at 95% CL [79]

\[ -3.3 < \xi < 8.5. \]  

(82)

An estimate of the trilinear self-coupling of the Higgs boson can be obtained from[77],

\[ \lambda_{H^3} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \left( \frac{N_F}{F_{TC}^3} \right) \int_0^\Lambda_{ETC}^2 \frac{\Sigma^4(p^2) dp^2}{(p^2 + \Sigma^2(p^2))^3}, \]  

(83)

where \( N_F \) are number of TC fermions and,

\[ \Sigma(p^2) \approx \frac{\Lambda_{TC}^3}{p^2}. \]  

(84)

Thus, for our numerical inputs, we obtain,

\[ \lambda_{H^3} = 2.127 \times 10^{-5}, \]  

(85)

which translates into

\[ \xi = 1.164883 \times 10^{-4}. \]  

(86)
4 Summary and discussion

The flavour problem of the SM is one of the most challenging puzzles which has potential to lead to the physics beyond the SM. In this work, we address this problem through an unconventional approach based on the VEVs hierarchy [1]. An origin of the VEVs hierarchy is presented in a conventional non-minimal TC model where the SM Higgs boson is a bound state of the conventional TC gauge theory, and the gauge singlet scalar fields $\chi_i$ originate from a dark TC dynamics. We note that the fermions masses are generated mainly through the DTC sector.

The Majorana mass of the right-handed neutrinos has origin in a different strong sector denoted by $F$, and due to this the model is capable of explaining neutrino masses and mixing angles. The mixing between $TC$ and $F,DTC$ sectors is highly suppressed, providing an explanation for the observed behaviour of the discovered Higgs boson. Moreover, the essential experimental constraints are also satisfied by this non-minimal TC framework.

We have not discussed an explicit ETC model for the non-minimal TC model of this work due to its non-trivial nature which requires an in-depth investigation. However, we observe that in the non-minimal TC model of this work, construction of an ETC model may be simpler than the conventional ETC models. In the conventional ETC models, the symmetry of the model is expected to be broken in several steps so that an explanation for the hierarchical fermion masses among generations may be achieved. In the non-minimal TC model presented in this work, an origin as well as an explanation for the hierarchical fermion masses arise from a DTC sector. Therefore, there is no need to break the ETC symmetry in several steps.

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A Outline of a possible ETC model

We comment here now about an important implication of the model. The vector-like fermions are assumed to be associated with the group $SU(N_F)$ whose scale is $\Lambda_F$. We have chosen this group for the present work. However, it could be any other symmetry. It turns out that the ETC scale and the scale $\Lambda_F$ are approximately same in our model. Therefore, the symmetry $SU(N_F)$ can be identified with that of the ETC symmetry, and vector-like fermions $F_{L,R}$ are in fact ETC fermions. This observation can help in guessing a possible outline of an ETC model.

Considering above observation, the symmetry of our model becomes a minimal symmetry, i.e. $SU(3)_{c} \times SU(2)_{L} \times U(1)_{Y} \times SU(N_{TC}) \times SU(N_{DTC})$ where TC sector is,

\begin{equation}
T_q \equiv \begin{pmatrix} T \\ B \end{pmatrix}_L : (1, 2, 0, N_{TC}, 1),
T_R : (1, 1, 1, N_{TC}, 1), B_R : (3, 1, -1, N_{TC}, 1),
\end{equation}

where electric charges $+\frac{1}{2}$ for $T$ and $-\frac{1}{2}$ for $B$. 

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We note that the ETC gauge boson should interact with TC and DTC sector simultaneously so that masses of the SM fermions can be recovered in the model. For this reason, the DTC fermions are also charged under TC sector,

$$D_i^q \equiv C_{iL,R}^1(1,1,1,N_{TC},N_{DTC}), \quad S_i^q \equiv (1,1,-1,N_{TC},N_{DTC}),$$

where \(i = 1 - 6\) and electric charges \(+\frac{1}{2}\) for \(C\) and \(-\frac{1}{2}\) for \(S\). The asymptotic freedom in the TC sector can be ensured by taking a large value of \(N_{TC}\) such that the anomalous mass dimension \(\gamma_m(\mu) << 1\) when \(\Lambda \geq \Lambda_{TC}\).

The vector-like fermions \(F_{L,R}\) are now belong to ETC sector which is represented by the group \(SU(N_F)\) in the model. These are,

$$F_{L,R} \equiv U_i^L \equiv (3,1,\frac{4}{3},1,1,N_F), \quad D_i^L \equiv (3,1,1,1,1,N_F),$$

where \(i = 1, 2, 3\).

Thus, the underlying symmetry of our model may be of the type,

$$SU(N_{DTC}) \times G_{ETC},$$

where \(G_{ETC}\) contains the SM and TC symmetries in such a way that the SM, TC fermions (which include DTC fermions as well) live in a single irreducible representation of \(G_{ETC}\). For instance,

$$\psi_{ETC} \equiv \left( \begin{array}{c} f \\ T(D) \end{array} \right) ,$$

where \(f\) represents the SM fermions. \(G_{ETC}\) symmetry breaks down to the TC sector at the energy scale \(\Lambda_{ETC}\). A detailed investigation of the \(G_{ETC}\) symmetry is beyond the scope of this work, and will be studied in a future work.

### B An alternative HVM

We discuss a scenario where we have only three fields \(F_i\) to create three different energy scales to account for the mass hierarchy among the fermionic families. The mass hierarchy within the fermionic families can be recovered from the electroweak scale itself if we perform electroweak symmetry breaking through the two Higgs doublets where the first doublet only couples to the \(down\) type fermions and the second doublet couples to the \(up\) type fermions. Thus we have a type II two Higgs doublet model extended by four gauge singlet scalar fields.

We begin with four singlet scalar fields \(\chi_i\) and \(\chi_i'\) transforming under the SM symmetry \(SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y\) as,

$$\chi_i, \chi_i' : (1,1,0),$$

where \(i = 1, 2, 3\) in general, and two SM Higgs doublets \(\varphi_1\) and \(\varphi_2\).

In addition to this, we add three discrete \(\mathbb{Z}_2\) symmetries to the SM as described in the table 4. The masses of fermions now originate from dimension-5 operators which are,

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{\Lambda} \left( y_{ij}^{u} \bar{\psi}_L^{q,i} \varphi_2 \psi_R^{u,j} \chi_i + y_{ij}^{d} \bar{\psi}_L^{q,i} \varphi_1 \psi_R^{d,j} \chi_i + y_{ij}^{e} \bar{\psi}_L^{q,i} \varphi_1 \psi_R^{e,j} \chi_i + h_{ij}^{d} \bar{\psi}_L^{q,i} \varphi_2 \psi_R^{d,j} \chi_i \right)$$

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where $\psi_{L}^{q,i}$ are the SM quark and leptonic doublets with $i = 1, 2, 3$ family indices, $\psi_{R}^{u} = u_{R}, c_{R}, t_{R}$, $\psi_{R}^{d} = d_{R}, s_{R}, b_{R}$, and $\psi_{R}^{e} = e_{R}, \mu_{R}, \tau_{R}$.

| Fields | $Z_2$ | $Z_2'$ | $Z_3'$ |
|--------|-------|--------|--------|
| $u_{R}, c_{R}, t_{R}, \nu_{eR}, \nu_{\mu R}, \nu_{\tau R}$ | - | + | - |
| $d_{R}, s_{R}, b_{R}, e_{R}, \mu_{R}, \tau_{R}$ | + | - | + |
| $\chi_1$ | + | - | + |
| $\chi_1'$ | - | + | - |
| $\chi_2$ | - | + | + |
| $\psi_{L}^{u}$ | + | - | + |
| $\psi_{L}^{d}$ | - | + | + |
| $\psi_{R}^{e}$ | + | - | + |
| $\varphi_1$ | + | - | + |
| $\varphi_2$ | + | - | - |

Table 4: The charges of left- and right-handed fermions, Higgs doublets and gauge singlet scalar fields under $Z_2$, $Z_2'$ and $Z_3'$ symmetries.

The mass matrices of up, down type quarks and charged leptons can be written as,

\[
\mathcal{M}_u = \frac{v_2}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix}
    y_{11}^{u} \epsilon_1 & y_{12}^{u} \epsilon_1 & y_{13}^{u} \epsilon_1 \\
y_{21}^{u} & y_{22}^{u} & y_{23}^{u} \\
y_{31}^{u} & y_{32}^{u} & y_{33}^{u}
\end{pmatrix},
\]

\[
\mathcal{M}_d = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix}
    (v_1 y_{11}^{d} + v_2 h_{11}^{d}) \epsilon_1 & (v_1 y_{12}^{d} + v_2 h_{12}^{d}) \epsilon_1 & (v_1 y_{13}^{d} + v_2 h_{13}^{d}) \epsilon_1 \\
v_1 y_{21}^{d} \epsilon_2 & v_1 y_{22}^{d} \epsilon_2 & v_1 y_{23}^{d} \epsilon_2 \\
v_1 y_{31}^{d} \epsilon_3 & v_1 y_{32}^{d} \epsilon_3 & v_1 y_{33}^{d} \epsilon_3
\end{pmatrix},
\]

\[
\mathcal{M}_{l} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix}
    (v_1 y_{11}^{l} + v_2 h_{11}^{l}) \epsilon_1 & (v_1 y_{12}^{l} + v_2 h_{12}^{l}) \epsilon_1 & (v_1 y_{13}^{l} + v_2 h_{13}^{l}) \epsilon_1 \\
v_1 y_{21}^{l} \epsilon_2 & v_1 y_{22}^{l} \epsilon_2 & v_1 y_{23}^{l} \epsilon_2 \\
v_1 y_{31}^{l} \epsilon_3 & v_1 y_{32}^{l} \epsilon_3 & v_1 y_{33}^{l} \epsilon_3
\end{pmatrix},
\]

where $\langle \varphi_1 \rangle = v_1$, $\langle \varphi_2 \rangle = v_2$, $\epsilon_{1,2,3} = \frac{(\chi_{1,2,3})}{\Lambda}$, and $\Lambda$ is an unknown scale. Moreover, we have assumed $\langle \chi_1 \rangle = (\chi_1')$.

The masses of charged fermions can approximately be written as,

\[
m_t \approx |y_{33}^{d}| \epsilon_3 v_2 / \sqrt{2}, \quad m_c \approx |y_{12}^{u} - \frac{y_{23}^{u} y_{33}^{u}}{y_{33}^{u}}| \epsilon_2 v_2 / \sqrt{2},
\]

\[
m_u \approx |y_{11}^{u} - \frac{y_{12}^{u} y_{23}^{u}}{m_c} \epsilon_2 v_2 / \sqrt{2} - \frac{y_{13}^{u} y_{33}^{u} - y_{23}^{u} y_{33}^{u}}{m_c |m_t|} (2 v_2 / \sqrt{2}) | \epsilon_1 v_2 / \sqrt{2},
\]

\[
m_b \approx |y_{13}^{u}| \epsilon_3 v_1 / \sqrt{2}, \quad m_s \approx |y_{22}^{d} - \frac{y_{23}^{d} y_{33}^{d}}{y_{33}^{d}}| \epsilon_2 v_2 / \sqrt{2},
\]

\[
m_d \approx |(v_1 y_{11}^{d} + v_2 h_{11}^{d}) \epsilon_1 - (v_1 y_{12}^{d} + v_2 h_{12}^{d}) y_{31}^{d} v_1 \epsilon_2 | / m_s \sqrt{2}.
\]
where the following mass matrix of the light neutrinos, the masses of neutrinos now can be determined using type-I seesaw mechanism[41] providing following: 

\[
\frac{(v_{1}y_{13}^{d} + v_{2}h_{13}^{d})(y_{31}^{d}y_{22}^{d} - y_{21}^{d}y_{32}^{d})v_{1}^{2}v_{2}^{2}v_{3}^{2}e_{1}e_{2}e_{3} - y_{31}^{d}(v_{1}y_{12}^{d} + v_{2}h_{12}^{d})y_{23}^{d}v_{1}^{2}e_{1}e_{2}e_{3}}{2m_{u}m_{b}} / \sqrt{2},
\]

\[
m_{\tau} \approx |y_{33}^{e}|e_{3}v_{1}/\sqrt{2}, \quad m_{\mu} \approx |y_{22}^{e} - y_{23}^{e}y_{32}^{e}|e_{2}v_{2}/\sqrt{2},
\]

\[
m_{e} \approx |(v_{1}y_{11}^{d} + v_{2}h_{11}^{d})e_{1} - \frac{(v_{1}y_{12}^{d} + v_{2}h_{12}^{d})y_{21}^{d}e_{1}e_{2}}{m_{u}\sqrt{2}}|
\]

\[
- \frac{(v_{1}y_{13}^{d} + v_{2}h_{13}^{d})(y_{31}^{d}y_{22}^{d} - y_{21}^{d}y_{32}^{d})v_{1}^{2}e_{1}e_{2}e_{3} - y_{31}^{d}(v_{1}y_{12}^{d} + v_{2}h_{12}^{d})y_{23}^{d}v_{1}^{2}e_{1}e_{2}e_{3}}{2m_{u}m_{\tau}} / \sqrt{2},
\] (94)

The mass hierarchy among the three fermionic families is achieved when fields $\chi_{i}$ acquire VEVs in such a way that \langle $\chi_{3}$ \rangle $\gg$ \langle $\chi_{2}$ \rangle $\gg$ \langle $\chi_{1}$ \rangle. The mass hierarchy within the second and third fermionic families is created by the assuming \langle $\varphi_{2}$ \rangle $\gg$ \langle $\varphi_{1}$ \rangle. The quark mixing angles approximately are,

\[
sin \theta_{12} \approx |V_{us}| \approx \frac{\epsilon_{1}}{\epsilon_{2}} \frac{(v_{1}y_{12}^{d} + v_{2}h_{12}^{d})}{y_{22}v_{1}}, \quad \sin \theta_{23} \approx |V_{cb}| \approx \frac{\epsilon_{2}}{\epsilon_{3}} \frac{y_{23}^{d}}{y_{33}^{d}} - \frac{y_{23}^{u}}{y_{33}^{u}},
\]

\[
\sin \theta_{13} \approx |V_{ub}| \approx \frac{\epsilon_{1}}{\epsilon_{3}} \frac{(v_{1}y_{13}^{d} + v_{2}h_{13}^{d})}{v_{1}y_{33}^{d}} - \frac{y_{13}^{d}}{y_{22}y_{33}^{d}} \frac{y_{13}^{u}}{y_{33}^{u}} \cdot \frac{y_{13}^{u}}{y_{33}^{u}}.
\] (95)

### B.1 Neutrino masses and oscillation parameters

The Lagrangian for Dirac masses for neutrinos can be written as,

\[
\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{M}_{D}} = \frac{1}{\Lambda} y_{ij}^{\nu} \bar{\psi}_{L}^{i} \varphi_{2}^{j} \psi_{R}^{j} \chi_{i} + \text{H.c.},
\] (96)

where $\bar{\psi}_{R} = \nu_{eR}, \nu_{\mu R}, \nu_{\tau R}$.

The Dirac mass matrix is now written as,

\[
\mathcal{M}_{N} = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc} y_{11}^{d}e_{1} & y_{12}^{d}e_{1} & y_{13}^{d}e_{1} \\ y_{21}^{d}e_{2} & y_{22}^{d}e_{2} & y_{23}^{d}e_{2} \\ y_{31}^{d}e_{3} & y_{32}^{d}e_{3} & y_{33}^{d}e_{3} \end{array} \right).
\] (97)

The Majorana Lagrangian reads,

\[
\mathcal{L}_{MR} = M_{ij} \bar{\nu}_{i} \nu_{j}
\] (98)

The masses of neutrinos now can be determined using type-I seesaw mechanism[41] providing following mass matrix of the light neutrinos,

\[
\mathcal{M} = - \mathcal{M}_{D} \mathcal{M}_{R}^{-1} \mathcal{M}_{D}^{T},
\] (99)

where $\mathcal{M}_{D} \ll \mathcal{M}_{R}$ is assumed. The light neutrino masses approximately are,

\[
m_{3} \approx |y_{33}^{e}|e_{3} \epsilon', \quad m_{2} \approx |y_{22}^{e} - y_{23}^{e}y_{32}^{e}|e_{2} \epsilon',
\]

\[
m_{1} \approx |y_{11}^{e} - \frac{y_{12}^{d}y_{21}^{d}}{m_{2}} e_{2}v_{2})/\sqrt{2} - \frac{y_{13}^{d}(y_{31}^{d}y_{22}^{d} - y_{21}^{d}y_{32}^{d}) - y_{31}^{d}y_{12}^{d}y_{23}^{d}}{m_{2}m_{3}} e_{3}v_{3}^{2}/2| \epsilon_{1} \epsilon',
\] (100)

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where $\epsilon' = v_2/\sqrt{2}M$ and $M$ is a generic Majorana scale. The leptonic mixing angles are approximately found to be,

$$
\sin \theta_{12} \approx \frac{\epsilon_1}{\epsilon_2} \left| \frac{(v_1 y_{12} + v_2 h_{12}^\ell)}{y_{22} v_1} - \frac{y_{12}^\nu}{y_{22}^\nu} \right|, \sin \theta_{23} \approx \frac{\epsilon_2}{\epsilon_3} \left| \frac{y_{23}^\nu}{y_{33}^\nu} - \frac{y_{23}^\nu}{y_{33}^\nu} \right|
$$

$$
\sin \theta_{13} \approx \frac{\epsilon_1}{\epsilon_3} \left| \frac{(v_1 y_{13} + v_2 h_{13}^\ell)}{v_1 y_{33}} - \frac{y_{13}^\nu}{y_{23}^\nu} \right|.
$$

(101)

We note that $\sin \theta_{13}$ is smaller relative to $\sin \theta_{23}$ and $\sin \theta_{12}$. However, it could be of the order of the Cabibbo angle due to the enhancement coming from the term $v_2/v_1$.

## B.2 Benchmark points for fermionic masses, quark-mixing and neutrino oscillation parameters

The following benchmark points can reproduce masses and mixing of fermions fairly,

$$
\begin{align*}
\{ |y_{11}^\ell|, |y_{12}^\ell|, |y_{13}^\ell|, |y_{21}^\ell|, |y_{22}^\ell|, |y_{23}^\ell|, |y_{31}^\ell|, |y_{32}^\ell|, |y_{33}^\ell| \} &= \{ 5.5, 12.56, 12.57, 8.92, 0.1, 1.97, 7.65, 0.35, 1.52 \}, \\
\{ \phi_{11}^\ell, \phi_{12}^\ell, \phi_{13}^\ell, \phi_{21}^\ell, \phi_{22}^\ell, \phi_{23}^\ell, \phi_{31}^\ell, \phi_{32}^\ell, \phi_{33}^\ell \} &= \{ 0.76, 5.1, 1, 5.62, 0.21, 5.13, 0.29, 6.23, 0.81 \}, \\
\{ |y_{11}^\nu|, |y_{12}^\nu|, |y_{13}^\nu|, |y_{21}^\nu|, |y_{22}^\nu|, |y_{23}^\nu|, |y_{31}^\nu|, |y_{32}^\nu|, |y_{33}^\nu| \} &= \{ 3.86, 8.76, 6.68, 12.17, 0.1, 12.57, 2.92, 4.35, 5.60 \}, \\
\{ \phi_{11}^\nu, \phi_{12}^\nu, \phi_{13}^\nu, \phi_{21}^\nu, \phi_{22}^\nu, \phi_{23}^\nu, \phi_{31}^\nu, \phi_{32}^\nu, \phi_{33}^\nu \} &= \{ 4.39, 1.67, 2.89, 1.98, 0.81, 1.87, 4.28, 5.79 \}, \\
\{ |y_{11}^\nu|, |y_{12}^\nu|, |y_{13}^\nu|, |y_{21}^\nu|, |y_{22}^\nu|, |y_{23}^\nu|, |y_{31}^\nu|, |y_{32}^\nu|, |y_{33}^\nu| \} &= \{ 5.62, 12.57, 9.44, 2.95, 0.1, 12.57, 0.1, 0.25, 0.14 \}, \\
\{ \phi_{11}^\nu, \phi_{12}^\nu, \phi_{13}^\nu, \phi_{21}^\nu, \phi_{22}^\nu, \phi_{23}^\nu, \phi_{31}^\nu, \phi_{32}^\nu, \phi_{33}^\nu \} &= \{ 1.71, 2.86, 1.36, 1.89, 3.18, 1.8, 3.88, 1.98, 5.59 \}, \\
\{ |h_{11}^\ell|, |h_{12}^\ell|, |h_{13}^\ell| \} &= \{ 7.9, 12.57, 8.40 \}, \\
\{ |h_{11}^\nu|, |h_{12}^\nu|, |h_{13}^\nu| \} &= \{ 9.63, 12.57, 2.59 \}, \\
\{ \delta_{11}^\ell, \delta_{12}^\ell, \delta_{13}^\ell \} &= \{ 0.03, 2.81, 1.26 \}, \\
\{ \delta_{11}^\nu, \delta_{12}^\nu, \delta_{13}^\nu \} &= \{ 5.27, 4.05, 3.71 \}, \\
\{ |h_{11}^\nu|, |h_{12}^\nu|, |h_{13}^\nu|, |y_{21}^\nu|, |y_{22}^\nu|, |y_{23}^\nu|, |y_{31}^\nu|, |y_{32}^\nu|, |y_{33}^\nu| \} &= \{ 1.22, 12.57, 3.07, 4.2, 0.1, 12.57, 7.90, 0.29, 0.49 \}, \\
\{ \phi_{11}^\nu, \phi_{12}^\nu, \phi_{13}^\nu, \phi_{21}^\nu, \phi_{22}^\nu, \phi_{23}^\nu, \phi_{31}^\nu, \phi_{32}^\nu, \phi_{33}^\nu \} &= \{ 4.57, 4.6, 1.86, 4.47, 1.78, 3.78, 4.62, 3.74, 1.29 \}, \\
\epsilon_1 = 7.26179 \times 10^{-6}, \epsilon_2 = 6.7452 \times 10^{-3}, \epsilon_3 &= 0.585162, \delta = 1.196, \\
v_1 &= 1\text{GeV}, v_2 = 245.998\text{GeV},
$$

(102)

where $\delta$ is the Dirac $CP$ phase of the CKM matrix.

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