


Prediction of the non-SUSY AdS conjecture on the lightest neutrino mass revisited

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We study the constraint of the nonsupersymmetric (non-SUSY) anti-de Sitter (AdS) conjecture on the three-dimensional vacua obtained from the compactification of the Standard Model coupled to Einstein gravity on a circle where the three-dimensional components of the four-dimensional metric are general functions of both noncompact and compact coordinates. We find from studying the wave function profile of the three-dimensional metric in the compactified dimension that the radius of the compactified dimension must be quantized. Consequently, the three-dimensional vacua are constrained by not only the non-SUSY AdS conjecture but also the quantization rule of the circle radius, leading to both upper and lower bounds for the mass of the lightest neutrino as $\sqrt{2} \leq m_\nu/\sqrt{\Lambda_4} < \sqrt{3}$, where $\Lambda_4 \simeq 5.06 \times 10^{-84} \text{ GeV}^2$ is the observed cosmological constant. This means that the lightest neutrino should have a mass around 10^{-32} eV or it would be approximately massless. With this prediction, we reconstruct the light neutrino mass matrix that is fixed by the neutrino oscillation data and in terms of three new mixing angles and six new phases for both the normal ordering and inverted ordering. In the situation where the light neutrino mass matrix is Hermitian, we calculate its numerical value in the 3σ range.

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I. INTRODUCTION

The observations of the neutrino oscillations have indicated the nonzero mass of the neutrinos, but they only provide information about the difference of the squared neutrino masses given by [1]

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta m_{21}^2 &= 7.39_{-0.20}^{+0.21} \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2, \\ \Delta m_{31}^2 &= 2.525_{-0.032}^{+0.033} \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \quad \text{normal ordering (NO)}, \\ \Delta m_{32}^2 &= -2.512_{-0.032}^{+0.034} \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2 \quad \text{inverted ordering (IN)}. \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

In this way, the present neutrino experiments cannot tell us the mass of the lightest neutrino by which the mass of three neutrino generations can be determined. The determination of the neutrino masses is very important to understand the role of neutrinos in the evolution of the Universe and the formation of large structures (like galaxies) because the

mass density of the Universe would obtain significant contributions from the very light neutrinos [2].

It is interesting in recent years that the consistency of the low-energy effective theories with quantum gravity, related to the swampland program [3–5], can give constraints on the mass of the lightest neutrino. The Standard Model (SM) coupled to Einstein gravity is clearly a good effective theory in the low-energy regime and hence it must be consistent with quantum gravity. This means that the effective field theories that are derived from its dimensional reduction are too. On the other hand, the lower-dimensional vacua in the landscape of the SM coupled to Einstein gravity would be subject to the constraint of the swampland conjectures. In Refs. [6,7], by considering the compactification of the SM coupled to Einstein gravity on a circle [8], the constraint of the nonsupersymmetric (non-SUSY) anti-de Sitter (AdS) conjecture (stating that stable non-SUSY AdS vacua are inconsistent with quantum gravity or belong to the swampland) imposes an upper bound on the mass of the lightest neutrino as $m_{\nu_{1(3)}} \lesssim (M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \Lambda_4)^{1/4} \sim 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$, where $M_{\text{Pl}} \sim 10^{19} \text{ GeV}$ is the Planck energy scale and $\Lambda_4 \simeq 5.06 \times 10^{-84} \text{ GeV}^2$ is the observed cosmological constant [9].

In this work, we will revisit the circle compactification of the SM coupled to Einstein gravity and the application of the non-SUSY AdS conjecture to the corresponding three-dimensional vacua where, unlike the previous investigations in the literature, we do not restrict the

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three-dimensional components of the four-dimensional metric to be the functions of the noncompact coordinates only. However, we consider that they are general functions of both noncompact and compact coordinates. By using the most general setting of the circle compactification described by a U(1) principal bundle, we expand the Einstein-Hilbert (EH) action plus a positive cosmological constant in terms of the three-dimensional metric, U(1) gauge vector, and radion fields, represented in Sec. II. From studying the wave function profile of the three-dimensional metric in the compactified dimension, we show in Sec. III that the radius of the compactified dimension must be quantized due to its circle topology. In Sec. IV, we indicate that the quantization rule of the size of the compactified dimension and the constraint of the non-SUSY AdS conjecture on the three-dimensional vacua predict a mass range for the lightest neutrino as $\sqrt{2} \leq m_\nu/\sqrt{\Lambda_4} < \sqrt{3}$, which means that the mass of the lightest neutrino should be around 10^{-32} eV or it would be well approximately massless. From this prediction, in Sec. V we reconstruct the light neutrino mass matrix, which can be given by the numerical values in the 3σ range if the light neutrino mass matrix is Hermitian.

II. CIRCLE COMPACTIFICATION

We start by introducing the four-dimensional action describing the SM coupled to Einstein gravity as follows:

$$S = \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g_4} [\mathcal{R}^{(4)} - \Lambda_4] + S_{\text{SM}}, \quad (2)$$

where $\mathcal{R}^{(4)}$ is the Ricci scalar and S_{SM} denotes the action of the SM. As we will see later, only the lightest field of the SM which is the lightest neutrino plays a role under the constraint of the non-SUSY AdS conjecture because it significantly contributes to the radion potential whose minimum would determine a landscape of the three-dimensional vacua. In this sense, the relevant action of the SM is given by

$$S_{\text{SM}} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g_4} \bar{\nu}_{1(3)} (i\gamma_\alpha e_\alpha^\mu D_\mu - m_{\nu_{1(3)}}) \nu_{1(3)} + \dots, \quad (3)$$

where e_α^μ and D_μ denote the vierbein and the covariant derivative, respectively, and the ellipsis refers to the rest of the SM fields, which can be ignored under the constraint of the non-SUSY AdS conjecture.

Because our starting point is a vacuum configuration of positive energy in four-dimensional Einstein gravity coupled to the SM, we discuss the constraints on de Sitter (dS) spacetime background coming from other swampland conjectures. Motivated by the difficulties in constructing dS vacuum solutions in string theory, it has been conjectured that string theory does not admit dS vacua, or in other words, dS vacua would be in the swampland. The idea that

no dS vacua are consistent with quantum gravity is quantitatively formulated by the (refined) dS conjecture [10–12] that requires the scalar potential of the effective field theories coupled with Einstein gravity to satisfy the following bound:

$$|\nabla V| \geq \frac{c}{M_{\text{Pl}}} V \quad \text{or} \quad \min(\nabla_i \nabla_j V) \leq -\frac{c'}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2} V, \quad (4)$$

where c and c' are the $\mathcal{O}(1)$ positive constants. It is obvious that the dS conjecture forbids (meta)stable dS vacua because they violate both of the inequalities given in (4). However, the dS conjecture is in direct tension with both inflation and Λ CDM model, which are well consistent with the observational data. On the other hand, the possibility that dS vacua are inconsistent with quantum gravity is not ruled out by the observations. Therefore, the trans-Planckian censorship conjecture was recently proposed as a swampland criterion to further relax the constraint of the dS conjecture [13–15]. This conjecture forbids stable dS vacua, but allows the existence of metastable dS vacua as long as their lifetime cannot last longer than $H^{-1} \log(M_{\text{Pl}}/H)$. With the lifetime in order of Hubble time, the Universe may exist in a metastable dS vacuum for a long enough time [16,17]. Hence, it can be approximated as a stable vacuum configuration where we can impose some swampland conjectures to set the constraints on the low-energy dynamics in the IR regime.

Now we consider the compactification of the SM coupled to Einstein gravity on a circle S^1 with x^3 and $x^3 + 2\pi$ identified where the setting of this compactification is described in the most general way by a principal bundle with the typical fiber U(1) [18–22]. Using this setting, we can write the metric endowed on the spacetime compactified on the circle S^1 as follows:

$$ds^2 = g_{ij} dx^i dx^j + R^2 [dx^3 + \kappa A_i dx^i]^2. \quad (5)$$

Here g_{ij} is the three-dimensional metric. A_i is the connection or the gauge vector field on the U(1) principal bundle and transforms under the general coordinate transformations as $A_i \rightarrow A_i - \partial_i \epsilon(x^j)/\kappa$. R is the radion (or dilaton) field whose vacuum expectation value would fix the radius of the S^1 fiber, $i, j = 0, 1, 2$ are the indices of the noncompact coordinates, and κ is the gauge coupling. Note that the three-dimensional field g_{ij} and the radion field R are, in general, dependent on both noncompact and compact coordinates.

Replacing the ansatz (5) into the Ricci scalar $\mathcal{R}^{(4)}$, the EH action plus the cosmological constant gives [23]

$$S_{\text{EH}} = \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g_4} \left[\hat{\mathcal{R}} + \frac{1}{4R^2} (\partial_3 g^{ij} \partial_3 g_{ij} + g^{ij} g^{kl} \partial_3 g_{ij} \partial_3 g_{kl}) - \frac{\kappa^2 R^2}{4} F_{ij} F^{ij} - \Lambda_4 \right], \quad (6)$$

where $\hat{\mathcal{R}}$ and the field strength tensor F_{ij} of the U(1) gauge field are given by

$$\hat{\mathcal{R}} \equiv g^{ij} \left(\hat{\partial}_k \hat{\Gamma}_{ji}^k - \hat{\partial}_j \hat{\Gamma}_{ki}^k + \hat{\Gamma}_{ji}^k \hat{\Gamma}_{lk}^l - \hat{\Gamma}_{li}^k \hat{\Gamma}_{jk}^l \right), \quad (7)$$

$$\hat{\Gamma}_{ij}^k \equiv \frac{g^{kl}}{2} \left(\hat{\partial}_i g_{jl} + \hat{\partial}_j g_{il} - \hat{\partial}_l g_{ij} \right), \quad (8)$$

$$F_{ij} = \partial_i A_j - \partial_j A_i, \quad (9)$$

with $\hat{\partial}_i \equiv \partial_i - \kappa A_i \partial_3$. A novel point that appears in the gravity action (6) upon the circle compactification is the presence of the second term. This is due to the fact that, in the calculation, we have not restricted the three-dimensional field g_{ij} to be the functions of x^i only as considered in the previous investigations about the circle compactification of the SM coupled to Einstein gravity [6–8,24–28]. As we will indicate later, this novel term would lead to a significant change to the constraint of the lightest neutrino mass. In addition, it should be noted that no kinetic term related to the first-order derivatives of the radion field appears in the expansion of the Ricci scalar $\mathcal{R}^{(4)}$ because the S^1 fiber has a zero curvature. However, the kinetic term of the radion field will appear in the Einstein frame obtained by rescaling the three-dimensional metric.

III. QUANTIZATION OF THE CIRCLE RADIUS

A. Equations of motion for the 3D components of the bulk metric

In this subsection, we will write explicitly a full set of equations of motion for the three-dimensional components of the bulk metric in order to show that our setup is actually self-consistent. We would like to note that in Ref. [23] the components g_{ij} , A_i , and R are considered to be the general functions of the noncompact coordinates as well as the fourth compact circle coordinate. However, in the calculation of the scalar curvature $\mathcal{R}^{(4)}$ as given in Appendix A in Ref. [23], the terms relating to $\partial_3 A_i$ automatically cancel together. As a result, they do not contribute to $\mathcal{R}^{(4)}$ because the contribution to the spacetime curvature caused by the topological nontriviality of the U(1) principal bundle is measured by the curvature 2-form F_{ij} . Therefore, in this work, we have not considered the dependence of the fourth compact circle coordinate entering through the U(1) field A_i . However, the equations of motion for the three-dimensional components of the bulk metric are basically similar to those derived in Ref. [23] (see Appendix B of this reference).

The equations of motion for the three-dimensional metric g_{ij} can be found via the variation $\delta_{g_{ij}} S_{\text{EH}} = 0$ with S_{EH} as given in Eq. (6), and they are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R} - 6\Lambda_4 - \frac{1}{4R^2} \left[8g^{ij} \partial_3^2 g_{ij} + 5\partial_3 g^{ij} \partial_3 g_{ij} + 9(g^{ij} \partial_3 g_{ij})^2 \right] \\ - \frac{\kappa^2 R^2}{4} F_{kl} F^{kl} + f_1(\hat{\partial}_i R, \partial_3 R) = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

where \mathcal{R} and Γ_{ij}^k are defined as follows:

$$\mathcal{R} \equiv g^{ij} \left(\partial_k \Gamma_{ji}^k - \partial_j \Gamma_{ki}^k + \Gamma_{ji}^l \Gamma_{kl}^k - \Gamma_{ki}^l \Gamma_{jl}^k \right), \quad (11)$$

$$\Gamma_{ij}^k \equiv \frac{g^{kl}}{2} (\partial_i g_{lj} + \partial_j g_{ki} - \partial_l g_{ij}), \quad (12)$$

and $f_1(\hat{\partial}_i R, \partial_3 R)$ is a functional of $\hat{\partial}_i R$ and $\partial_3 R$ and it vanishes when R is a constant. From the variation $\delta_A S_{\text{EH}} = 0$, we can find the equations of motion for the three-dimensional gauge field A_i as follows:

$$\nabla_i F^{ij} = -\frac{3\hat{\partial}_i R}{R} F^{ij} + f_2(\hat{\partial}_i g_{kl}, \partial_3 g_{kl}) A^j, \quad (13)$$

where $f_2(\hat{\partial}_i g_{kl}, \partial_3 g_{kl})$ is a functional of $\hat{\partial}_i g_{kl}$ and $\partial_3 g_{kl}$. With respect to the radion field, as seen in the next section, it would get a three-dimensional effective potential which is generated by the cosmological constant term and the Casimir energy coming from loops wrapping the fourth compactified dimension. Hence, we obtain the equation of motion for the radion field R from the variation of the three-dimensional action given in Eq. (21) in terms of R . It is given by

$$\square R = \frac{1}{R} (\partial_i R)^2 + \frac{R^2}{2M_3} \frac{\partial V(R)}{\partial R} + f_3(A_i, F_{ij}), \quad (14)$$

where $V(R)$ is the three-dimensional effective potential of the radion field and $f_3(A_i, F_{ij})$ is a functional of A_i and F_{ij} . Note that the functional $f_3(A_i, F_{ij})$ is zero with the vanishing of the curvature 2-form F_{ij} .

The three-dimensional effective potential of the radion field R allows us to stabilize the size of the fourth compactified dimension. This implies that we consider the theory in the vacuum $R = \text{constant}$ which corresponds to the minimum of the radion potential. From Eq. (14), the solution with $R = \text{constant}$ is only satisfied when $f_3(A_i, F_{ij}) = 0$, which leads to $F_{ij} = 0$ corresponding to $A_i = 0$ in a proper gauge. We can easily check that the solution $R = \text{constant}$ and $A_i = 0$ also is automatically satisfied by the equations of motion for the three-dimensional gauge field A_i as given in Eq. (13). Therefore, the Kaluza-Klein gauge field A_i should be vanishing in the background where the radion field is constant, which is physically fixed by the minimum of the radion potential.

B. Quantization rule

In the vacuum $R = \text{constant}$ and $A_i = 0$, we find the equations of motion for the three-dimensional metric g_{ij} as follows:

$$\mathcal{R} - 6\Lambda_4 - \frac{1}{4R^2} \left[8g^{ij}\partial_3^2 g_{ij} + 5\partial_3 g^{ij}\partial_3 g_{ij} + 9(g^{ij}\partial_3 g_{ij})^2 \right] = 0. \quad (15)$$

It is interesting that Eq. (15) can be solved by separating the variables as follows:

$$g_{ij}(x^i, x^3) = \chi(x^3)g_{ij}^{(3)}(x^i), \quad (16)$$

where $g_{ij}^{(3)}(x^i)$ is identified as the metric defining the line element of the effective three-dimensional spacetime and $\chi(x^3)$ describes its wave function profile in the compactified dimension. We substitute Eq. (16) into Eq. (15), then we derive the following equations:

$$\mathcal{R}^{(3)} = 6\Lambda_3, \quad (17)$$

$$\chi'' + \frac{11\chi'^2}{4\chi} + \frac{\Lambda_4}{R^{-2}\chi} = \frac{\Lambda_3}{R^{-2}}, \quad (18)$$

where $\mathcal{R}^{(3)}$ is the Ricci scalar of the effective three-dimensional spacetime whose geometry is determined by Eq. (17). The source of the geometry of the effective three-dimensional spacetime is a cosmological constant Λ_3 originating from the dynamics of the three-dimensional metric in the compactified dimension. By solving Eq. (18), one can find the wave function profile of the three-dimensional metric in the compactified dimension. It is important to note here that the equation for the wave function profile is nonlinear due to the nonlinear nature of the three-dimensional metric. This means that the solution for the three-dimensional metric should not be expressed as a linear combination of the partial solutions.

Because of the presence of the nonlinear term (which is the second term on the left-hand side) in Eq. (18), it is not easy to find an analytical solution for the wave function profile of the three-dimensional metric. But, in the case of $\Lambda_3/R^{-2} \ll 1$ [which can be realized from Eq. (20) and Table I], Eq. (18) can be perturbatively solved in the order of Λ_3/R^{-2} . At the leading order, we can find an analytical solution for the wave function profile of the three-dimensional metric as follows:

$$\chi(x^3) = \left[\frac{1}{2} \left\{ 1 + \cos \left(R\sqrt{15\Lambda_4}x^3 \right) \right\} \right]^{2/15}. \quad (19)$$

Importantly, the circle topology requires that the wave function profile of the three-dimensional metric must be periodic with the period of 2π as $\chi(x^3) = \chi(x^3 + 2\pi)$. This

TABLE I. The predicted value range for the lightest neutrino mass and the three-dimensional cosmological constant for some values of the quantum number n .

n	$m_\nu/\sqrt{\Lambda_4}$	$M_{\text{pl}}^2\Lambda_3/\Lambda_4^2$
1	(1.414, 1.732)	(0.053, 0.161)
2	(0.707, 0.866)	$(3.3 \times 10^{-3}, 0.01)$
3	(0.471, 0.577)	$(6.5 \times 10^{-4}, 2 \times 10^{-3})$
4	(0.354, 0.433)	$(2 \times 10^{-4}, 6 \times 10^{-4})$

leads to a quantization condition for the circle radius and cosmological constant as follows:

$$R = \sqrt{\frac{1}{15\Lambda_4}}n, \quad \text{with } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad (20)$$

In this way, the nontrivial behavior of the wave function profile of the three-dimensional metric in the compactified dimension requires both the radius of the compactified dimension and the four-dimensional cosmological constant to be quantized. In other words, their value is not arbitrary but only obtains the discrete values satisfying the quantization rule (20). Such a quantization has been used to interpret the radiative stability of a tiny observed cosmological constant under the quantum corrections [23] as well as to construct microscopic configurations for observed black holes [29].

IV. CONSTRAINT OF NON-SUSY ADS CONJECTURE

The compactification of the SM coupled to general relativity on the circle S^1 would lead to a landscape of vacua which corresponds to the extrema of the radion potential. Here, the radion potential is generated by the cosmological constant and the one-loop correction of the light particles. Depending on the three-dimensional cosmological constant Λ_3 and the mass of the light particles, this landscape of vacua includes both the dS and AdS geometries, which would be an object for the constraint of the non-SUSY AdS conjecture.

The three-dimensional effective action of Einstein gravity derived upon the circle compactification in the Einstein frame is given by

$$S_{3\text{D}} \supset \int d^3x \sqrt{-g_3} \left[\frac{M_3}{2} \mathcal{R}^{(3)} - 2M_3 \left(\frac{\partial_\mu R}{R} \right)^2 - M_3 \left(\frac{r}{R} \right)^2 \Lambda_3 \right], \quad (21)$$

where we have rescaled the three-dimensional metric as $g_{ij}^{(3)} \rightarrow \Omega^{-2}g_{ij}^{(3)}$ with $\Omega = R/r$ (the parameter r is introduced to keep the rescaled three-dimensional metric dimensionless and it would be fixed equal to the vacuum

expectation value of the radion field), $g_3 \equiv \det[g_{ij}^{(3)}]$, and the three-dimensional Planck energy scale is identified as

$$\begin{aligned} M_3 &\equiv rM_{\text{Pl}}^2 \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} dx^3 \chi^{1/2} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(17/30)}{\Gamma(16/15)} rM_{\text{Pl}}^2. \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

The last term in the action (21) is the tree-level potential of the radion field generated by the dynamics of the three-dimensional metric along the compactified dimension. In addition, the one-loop quantum corrections would contribute to the radion potential as

$$V_{\text{1L}}(R) = \sum_i (-1)^{s_i} n_i R \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^3 \rho_i(R) \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} dx^3 \chi^{\frac{3}{2}}. \quad (23)$$

Here s_i is equal to 0(1) for the fermions(bosons), n_i is the number of degrees of freedom corresponding to the i th particle, and the Casimir energy density with respect to the i th particle is given by [8]

$$\rho_i(R) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2m_i^4}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{K_2(2\pi n m_i R)}{(2\pi n m_i R)^2}, \quad (24)$$

where m_i and $K_2(z)$ are the mass of the i th particle and the modified Bessel function, respectively. It should be noted here that, due to the function $K_2(z)$ suppressed for $z \ll 1$, the particles with their mass, which is much larger than R^{-1} , do not contribute significantly to the one-loop term of the radion potential and hence we can ignore their contribution. On the other hand, only the light degrees of freedom contribute significantly to $V_{\text{1L}}(R)$.

The radion potential $V(R)$ thus is a sum of the tree- and loop-level contributions, which is expanded in terms of $m_i R$ for $m_i R \ll 1$ as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{V(R)}{2\sqrt{\pi}r^3} &\simeq \left[\frac{\Gamma(17/30)M_p^2\Lambda_3}{\Gamma(16/15)R^2} + \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \frac{\Gamma(7/10)}{\Gamma(6/5)} \frac{1}{R^6} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times \sum_i (-1)^{s_i} n_i \left\{ \frac{1}{90} - \frac{(m_i R)^2}{6} + \frac{(m_i R)^4}{48} \right\} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

A stable non-SUSY AdS vacuum would always be formed for the case of $\Lambda_3 \leq 0$ [30]. However, according to the non-SUSY AdS instability conjecture, the stable non-SUSY AdS vacua are inconsistent with the UV embedding in quantum gravity or they belong to the swampland. Because the SM coupled to Einstein gravity must be consistent with quantum gravity, the radion potential must develop a non-AdS vacuum that can be guaranteed if the three-dimensional cosmological constant Λ_3 is positive and there are enough fermionic degrees of freedom that are sufficiently

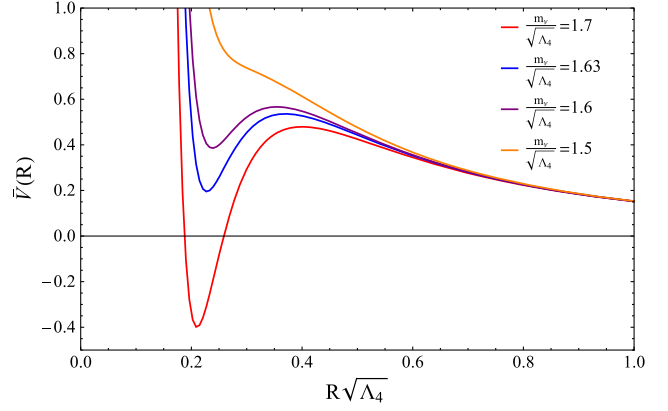


FIG. 1. The scaled radion potential $\tilde{V}(R) \equiv V(R)/(2\sqrt{\pi}r^3\Lambda_4^6)$ versus the scaled S^1 radius $R\sqrt{\Lambda_4}$ for various values of $m_\nu/\sqrt{\Lambda_4}$ with $M_{\text{Pl}}^2\Lambda_3/\Lambda_4^2 = 0.1$. The red and orange curves correspond to the AdS vacuum and runaway dS vacuum, respectively, whereas the blue and purple curves lead to the dS vacuum.

light.¹ The experimental value $\Lambda_4 \simeq 5.06 \times 10^{-84}$ GeV² [9] and Eq. (20) lead to $R \gtrsim 1.15 \times 10^{41}$ GeV⁻¹. This means that only the lightest neutrino can contribute to the radion potential if it is light enough. However, even with the possible maximum degrees of freedom of the lightest neutrino, which is four if it is a Dirac particle, it is impossible to generate a non-AdS vacuum. This is due to the fact that the contributions coming from the massless bosonic degrees of freedom in the SM coupled to Einstein gravity (which are two from the graviton and two from the photon) would make the radion potential drop for small R . This thus implies the existence of sufficiently light fermionic degrees of freedom beyond the SM with the upper bound for the mass on the order of $\sqrt{\Lambda_4}$. With such a tiny upper bound for the mass, we can consider an additional massless Dirac fermion.

In Fig. 1, we depict the behavior of the radion potential in terms of the radius of the compactified dimension for various values of the lightest neutrino mass. In the region of the large radius, the contribution of the three-dimensional cosmological constant is dominant, positive, and decreases with the growth of R , hence the radion potential will go to zero from above when R approaches infinity. On the contrary, in the region of the small radius, the Casimir contribution of the bosons and fermions is dominant where the bosons and fermions contribute negatively and positively, respectively. However, due to the fermionic degrees of freedom larger than the bosonic one, the radion potential will approach infinity for $R \rightarrow 0$. In particular, a minimum or runaway behavior (runaway dS vacua) is formed, depending on the mass of the lightest neutrino.

¹In order to apply the non-SUSY AdS conjecture here, we assume the absence of the UV non-perturbative instabilities transferred to the effective three-dimensional theory which can be avoided if the bubble radius is larger than the AdS₃ curvature radius.

In the previous works [6,7], there is no constraint on the runaway behavior of the radion potential. On the other hand, no lower bound on the mass of the lightest neutrino is imposed, only the upper bound is required to guarantee the absence of the stable non-SUSY AdS vacuum. Interestingly, in the present work, the runaway behavior of the radion potential must be excluded by the quantization of the circle compactification. Indeed, in the large field region in which the gradients of the radion potential are very small, or in other words, the radion field exhibits ultraslow-rolling behavior, we can study the theory with the radius of the compactified dimension kept fixed. In this situation, as found above the quantization condition (20) requires that the radius of the compactified dimension only obtains the discrete values. However, for the runaway behavior, the spectrum of the radius of the compactified dimension is continuous and hence it would violate the quantization condition (20). This would allow us to impose a lower bound on the mass of the lightest neutrino as given by Eq. (28).

A minimum will develop in the situation in which the mass of the lightest neutrino is above the lower bound. From the minimum condition $\partial V(R)/\partial R = 0$, we derive an expression for the value of R corresponding to the minimum of the radion potential as follows:

$$R_{\min} = \frac{2}{\left[20m_\nu^2 + \sqrt{30(13m_\nu^4 - 64\pi^2\alpha M_{\text{Pl}}^2\Lambda_3)}\right]^{1/2}}, \quad (26)$$

where m_ν refers to the mass of the lightest neutrino and

$$\alpha \equiv \frac{\Gamma(17/30)\Gamma(6/5)}{\Gamma(16/15)\Gamma(7/10)}. \quad (27)$$

It is clear from Eq. (26) that a condition for the existence of the (meta)stable minimum of the radion potential is

$$m_\nu^4 > \frac{64}{13}\pi^2\alpha M_{\text{Pl}}^2\Lambda_3. \quad (28)$$

As we argued above, the radius of the compactified dimension must be quantized according to Eq. (20). Therefore, in order for the theory to be self-consistent, the value of R at the minimum of the radion potential corresponding to the vacuum expectation value of the radion field must be equal to $n/\sqrt{15\Lambda_4}$. This would imply the constraint on the light particle spectrum of the effective field theories: with respect to the light particles that contribute to the effective potential of the radion field, their mass should not be arbitrary, but only obtain allowed values so that the radius of the fourth compactified dimension obeys the quantization rule (16). More specifically in the context of the present work, by requiring $R_{\min} = n/\sqrt{15\Lambda_4}$, the mass of the lightest neutrino should be quantized according to the rule determined by the following equation:

$$m_\nu = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{n} \left[60\Lambda_4 - \sqrt{6(585\Lambda_4^2 - 8n^4\pi^2\alpha M_{\text{Pl}}^2\Lambda_3)} \right]^{1/2}, \quad (29)$$

with the following condition:

$$\frac{n^4\pi^2\alpha M_{\text{Pl}}^2\Lambda_3}{\Lambda_4^2} < \frac{117}{64}. \quad (30)$$

Equation (29) should be one of the essential points that are used to predict the mass of the light neutrino.

In addition, in order for a stable non-SUSY AdS vacuum that cannot develop in the lower dimensions, the following condition must satisfy

$$m_\nu^4 \leq \frac{192}{29}\pi^2\alpha M_{\text{Pl}}^2\Lambda_3. \quad (31)$$

This constraint leads to a lower bound on the three-dimensional cosmological constant Λ_3 as follows:

$$\frac{n^4\pi^2\alpha M_{\text{Pl}}^2\Lambda_3}{\Lambda_4^2} \geq \frac{29}{48}. \quad (32)$$

In summary, the quantization rule (20) and the non-SUSY AdS conjecture impose both the upper and lower bounds on the three-dimensional cosmological constant Λ_3 and the mass of the lightest neutrino as

$$\frac{29}{48n^4\pi^2\alpha} \leq \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2\Lambda_3}{\Lambda_4^2} < \frac{117}{64n^4\pi^2\alpha}, \quad (33)$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{n} \leq \frac{m_\nu}{\sqrt{\Lambda_4}} < \frac{\sqrt{3}}{n}. \quad (34)$$

More explicitly, we show the allowed values of the three-dimensional cosmological constant versus those of the lightest neutrino mass (which are scaled by the 4D cosmological constant) for some values of the quantum number n in Fig. 2 and in Table I. Their allowed values correspond to the curves (which are blue, red, green, and purple for $n = 1, 2, 3,$ and 4 , respectively, for example) belonging to the yellow region. We observe that the allowed region of the lightest neutrino mass and the 3D cosmological constant would narrow when the quantum number n increases. The largest allowed region of the lightest neutrino mass which corresponds to $n = 1$ is only $(1.414\sqrt{\Lambda_4}, 1.732\sqrt{\Lambda_4})$, as seen in Table I, which is around $\sqrt{\Lambda_4} \sim 10^{-32}$ eV. With such a tiny mass scale, the lightest neutrino can be well approximately considered to be massless. Hence, our present scenario provides an extremely predictive picture of the lightest neutrino mass. This is an essential point to distinguish our present scenario from the previous investigations [6,26] which predicted $m_\nu \lesssim (M_{\text{Pl}}^2\Lambda_4)^{1/4} \sim 10^{-3}$ eV.

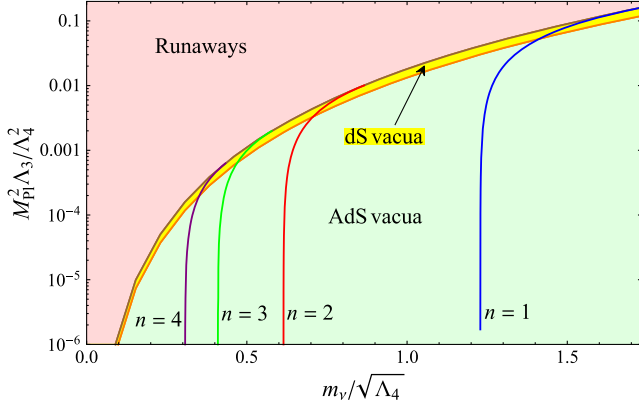


FIG. 2. The lightest neutrino mass versus the three-dimensional cosmological constant under the quantization rule (20) and the constraint of the non-SUSY AdS conjecture.

The mass bound for the lightest neutrino given in Eq. (34) is obtained from the expression of light neutrino mass given in Eq. (29), where the minimum of the radion potential is constrained by the non-SUSY AdS conjecture and the vacuum expectation value of the radion field is quantized by the condition (20). This quantization condition is derived by solving the wave function profile $\chi(x^3)$ of the three-dimensional metric with the periodic condition, which relies essentially on the factorization (16). In this sense, it could be thought that the mass bound for the lightest neutrino is just the consequence of the factorization of the three-dimensional metric and the constraint of the non-SUSY AdS conjecture.

V. LIGHT NEUTRINO MASS MATRIX

With the mass of the lightest neutrino predicted and the data of the neutrino oscillation [1], we can determine the light neutrino mass matrix M_ν as

$$M_\nu = U_L \text{diag}(m_{\nu_1}, m_{\nu_2}, m_{\nu_3}) U_R^\dagger, \quad (35)$$

where m_{ν_1} , m_{ν_2} , and m_{ν_3} are the masses of the light neutrinos given for the case of normal ordering

$$\begin{aligned} m_{\nu_1} &\approx 0, & m_{\nu_2} &= \sqrt{m_{\nu_1}^2 + \Delta m_{21}^2}, \\ m_{\nu_3} &= \sqrt{m_{\nu_1}^2 + \Delta m_{31}^2} \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

and for the case of inverted ordering

$$\begin{aligned} m_{\nu_1} &= \sqrt{m_{\nu_3}^2 + \Delta m_{23}^2 - \Delta m_{21}^2}, & m_{\nu_2} &= \sqrt{m_{\nu_3}^2 + \Delta m_{23}^2}, \\ m_{\nu_3} &\approx 0, \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

and $U_{L,R}$ are two unitary matrices used to diagonalize the light neutrino mass matrix, which is a general 3×3 complex matrix.

TABLE II. The 3σ range for the mixing angles and the CP phase of the neutrino oscillation [1].

	NO	IO
s_{12}^2	0.275 \rightarrow 0.350	0.275 \rightarrow 0.350
s_{23}^2	0.418 \rightarrow 0.627	0.423 \rightarrow 0.629
s_{13}^2	0.02045 \rightarrow 0.02439	0.02068 \rightarrow 0.02463
δ	125° \rightarrow 392°	196° \rightarrow 360°

We are interested in the situation in which the charged lepton mass matrix is diagonal, which appears in the models beyond the SM with the lepton generations carrying the different charges under new gauge symmetries, for instance, the $U(1)_{L_\mu - L_\tau}$ model [31–34]. In this situation, the diagonalizing matrix U_L is determined by the lepton mixing matrix U_{PMNS} as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} U_L = U_{\text{PMNS}} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & s_{23} \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \\ &\times \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} P, \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

where c_{ij} and s_{ij} denote the cosine and sine of the mixing angles, respectively, δ refers to the CP phase of the lepton sector, and P is a diagonal matrix related to the Majorana phases. For the neutrinos of the Dirac nature, the Majorana phases are zero, and thus $P = \mathbb{1}$. The best-fit values of the mixing angles and the CP violation phase in the 3σ range are given in Table II.

The diagonalizing matrix U_R can be parametrized by three angles (denoted by $\bar{\theta}_{12}$, $\bar{\theta}_{23}$, and $\bar{\theta}_{13}$) and six phases (denoted by ω_1 , ω_2 , ω_3 , ω_4 , ω_5 , and δ_R). Then, we can write U_R as follows [35]:

$$\begin{aligned} U_R &= \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\omega_1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\omega_2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{i\omega_3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{c}_{23} & \bar{s}_{23} \\ 0 & -\bar{s}_{23} & \bar{c}_{23} \end{pmatrix} \\ &\times \begin{pmatrix} \bar{c}_{13} & 0 & \bar{s}_{13}e^{-i\delta_R} \\ 0 & 1 & s_{23} \\ -\bar{s}_{13}e^{i\delta_R} & 0 & \bar{c}_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{c}_{12} & \bar{s}_{12} & 0 \\ -\bar{s}_{12} & \bar{c}_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\times \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\omega_4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\omega_5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned} \quad (39)$$

where $\bar{c}_{ij} \equiv \cos \bar{\theta}_{ij}$ and $\bar{s}_{ij} \equiv \sin \bar{\theta}_{ij}$.

Using the lepton mixing matrix and the parametrization (39), the elements of the light neutrino mass matrix, denoted by $[M_\nu]_{ij}$, can be reconstructed by the neutrino oscillation data and in terms of three mixing angles and six phases in U_R . For the case of NO, these elements are given by the following analytical expressions:

$$\begin{aligned}
[M_\nu]_{11} &= e^{-i\omega_1} \left[c_{13}\bar{c}_{13}s_{12}\bar{s}_{12}\sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2}e^{-i\omega_5} + s_{13}\bar{s}_{13}\sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2}e^{i(\delta_R-\delta)} \right], \\
[M_\nu]_{12} &= e^{-i\omega_2} \left[c_{13}s_{12}\sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2}e^{-i\omega_5}(\bar{c}_{12}\bar{c}_{23} - \bar{s}_{12}\bar{s}_{13}\bar{s}_{23}e^{-i\delta_R}) + \bar{c}_{13}s_{13}\bar{s}_{23}\sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2}e^{-i\delta} \right], \\
[M_\nu]_{13} &= e^{-i\omega_3} \left[c_{13}s_{12}\sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2}e^{-i\omega_5}(\bar{c}_{12}\bar{s}_{23} + \bar{c}_{23}\bar{s}_{12}\bar{s}_{13}e^{-i\delta_R}) + \bar{c}_{13}\bar{c}_{23}s_{13}\sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2}e^{-i\delta} \right], \\
[M_\nu]_{21} &= e^{-i\omega_1} \left[\bar{c}_{13}\bar{s}_{12}\sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2}e^{-i\omega_5}(c_{12}c_{23} - s_{12}s_{13}s_{23}e^{i\delta}) + c_{13}s_{23}\bar{s}_{13}\sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2}e^{i\delta_R} \right], \\
[M_\nu]_{22} &= e^{-i\omega_2} \left[\sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2}e^{-i\omega_5}(c_{12}c_{23} - s_{12}s_{13}s_{23}e^{i\delta})(\bar{c}_{12}\bar{c}_{23} - \bar{s}_{12}\bar{s}_{13}\bar{s}_{23}e^{-i\delta_R}) + c_{13}\bar{c}_{13}s_{23}\bar{s}_{23}\sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2} \right], \\
[M_\nu]_{23} &= e^{-i\omega_3} \left[-\sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2}e^{-i\omega_5}(c_{12}c_{23} - s_{12}s_{13}s_{23}e^{i\delta})(\bar{c}_{12}\bar{s}_{23} + \bar{c}_{23}\bar{s}_{12}\bar{s}_{13}e^{-i\delta_R}) + c_{13}\bar{c}_{13}\bar{c}_{23}s_{23}\sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2} \right], \\
[M_\nu]_{31} &= e^{-i\omega_1} \left[c_{13}c_{23}\bar{s}_{13}\sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2}e^{i\delta_R} - \bar{c}_{13}\bar{s}_{12}\sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2}e^{-i\omega_5}(c_{12}s_{23} + c_{23}s_{12}s_{13}e^{i\delta}) \right], \\
[M_\nu]_{32} &= e^{-i\omega_2} \left[-\sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2}e^{-i\omega_5}(c_{12}s_{23} + c_{23}s_{12}s_{13}e^{i\delta})(\bar{c}_{12}\bar{c}_{23} - \bar{s}_{12}\bar{s}_{13}\bar{s}_{23}e^{-i\delta_R}) + c_{13}c_{23}\bar{c}_{13}\bar{s}_{23}\sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2} \right], \\
[M_\nu]_{33} &= e^{-i\omega_3} \left[\sqrt{\Delta m_{21}^2}e^{-i\omega_5}(c_{12}s_{23} + c_{23}s_{12}s_{13}e^{i\delta})(\bar{c}_{12}\bar{s}_{23} + \bar{c}_{23}\bar{s}_{12}\bar{s}_{13}e^{-i\delta_R}) + c_{13}c_{23}\bar{c}_{13}\bar{c}_{23}\sqrt{\Delta m_{31}^2} \right]. \tag{40}
\end{aligned}$$

We observe that the elements of the light neutrino mass matrix for the case of NO are independent of the phase ω_4 . While, for the case of IO, the elements of the light neutrino mass matrix read

$$\begin{aligned}
[M_\nu]_{11} &= c_{13}\bar{c}_{13}e^{-i\omega_1} \left(c_{12}\bar{c}_{12}\sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2 - \Delta m_{21}^2}e^{-i\omega_4} + s_{12}\bar{s}_{12}\sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2}e^{-i\omega_5} \right), \\
[M_\nu]_{12} &= c_{13}e^{-i\omega_2} \left[s_{12}\sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2}e^{-i\omega_5}(\bar{c}_{12}\bar{c}_{23} - \bar{s}_{12}\bar{s}_{13}\bar{s}_{23}e^{-i\delta_R}) - c_{12}\sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2 - \Delta m_{21}^2}e^{-i\omega_4} \times (\bar{c}_{23}\bar{s}_{12} + \bar{c}_{12}\bar{s}_{13}\bar{s}_{23}e^{-i\delta_R}) \right], \\
[M_\nu]_{13} &= c_{13}e^{-i\omega_3} \left[c_{12}\sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2 - \Delta m_{21}^2}e^{-i\omega_4}(\bar{s}_{12}\bar{s}_{23} - \bar{c}_{12}\bar{c}_{23}\bar{s}_{13}e^{-i\delta_R}) + s_{12}\sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2}e^{-i\omega_5} \times (\bar{c}_{12}\bar{s}_{23} + \bar{c}_{23}\bar{s}_{12}\bar{s}_{13}e^{-i\delta_R}) \right], \\
[M_\nu]_{21} &= \bar{c}_{13}e^{-i\omega_1} \left[\bar{s}_{12}\sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2}e^{-i\omega_5}(c_{12}c_{23} - s_{12}s_{13}s_{23}e^{i\delta}) - \bar{c}_{12}\sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2 - \Delta m_{21}^2}e^{-i\omega_4} \times (c_{23}s_{12} + c_{12}s_{13}s_{23}e^{i\delta}) \right], \\
[M_\nu]_{22} &= e^{-i\omega_2} \left[\sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2 - \Delta m_{21}^2}e^{-i\omega_4}(c_{23}s_{12} + c_{12}s_{13}s_{23}e^{i\delta})(\bar{c}_{23}\bar{s}_{12} + \bar{c}_{12}\bar{s}_{13}\bar{s}_{23}e^{-i\delta_R}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2}e^{-i\omega_5}(c_{12}c_{23} - s_{12}s_{13}s_{23}e^{i\delta})(\bar{c}_{12}\bar{c}_{23} - \bar{s}_{12}\bar{s}_{13}\bar{s}_{23}e^{-i\delta_R}) \right], \\
[M_\nu]_{23} &= -e^{-i\omega_3} \left[\sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2 - \Delta m_{21}^2}e^{-i\omega_4}(c_{23}s_{12} + c_{12}s_{13}s_{23}e^{i\delta})(\bar{s}_{12}\bar{s}_{23} - \bar{c}_{12}\bar{c}_{23}\bar{s}_{13}e^{-i\delta_R}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2}e^{-i\omega_5}(c_{12}c_{23} - s_{12}s_{13}s_{23}e^{i\delta})(\bar{c}_{12}\bar{s}_{23} + \bar{c}_{23}\bar{s}_{12}\bar{s}_{13}e^{-i\delta_R}) \right], \\
[M_\nu]_{31} &= \bar{c}_{13}e^{-i\omega_1} \left[\bar{c}_{12}\sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2 - \Delta m_{21}^2}e^{-i\omega_4}(s_{12}s_{23} - c_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta}) - \bar{s}_{12}\sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2}e^{-i\omega_5} \times (c_{12}s_{23} + c_{23}s_{12}s_{13}e^{i\delta}) \right],
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 [M_\nu]_{32} &= -e^{-i\omega_2} \left[\sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2 - \Delta m_{21}^2} e^{-i\omega_4} (s_{12}s_{23} - c_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta}) (\bar{c}_{23}\bar{s}_{12} + \bar{c}_{12}\bar{s}_{13}\bar{s}_{23}e^{-i\delta_R}) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2} e^{-i\omega_5} (c_{12}s_{23} + c_{23}s_{12}s_{13}e^{i\delta}) (\bar{c}_{12}\bar{c}_{23} - \bar{s}_{12}\bar{s}_{13}\bar{s}_{23}e^{-i\delta_R}) \right], \\
 [M_\nu]_{33} &= e^{-i\omega_3} \left[\sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2 - \Delta m_{21}^2} e^{-i\omega_4} (s_{12}s_{23} - c_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta}) (\bar{s}_{12}\bar{s}_{23} - \bar{c}_{12}\bar{c}_{23}\bar{s}_{13}e^{-i\delta_R}) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \sqrt{\Delta m_{23}^2} e^{-i\omega_5} (c_{12}s_{23} + c_{23}s_{12}s_{13}e^{i\delta}) (\bar{c}_{12}\bar{s}_{23} + \bar{c}_{23}\bar{s}_{12}\bar{s}_{13}e^{-i\delta_R}) \right]. \tag{41}
 \end{aligned}$$

It is interesting that it can take the mass matrix of the light neutrinos to be Hermitian when the generations of right-handed neutrinos transform universally. In Ref. [36], the authors proved that a general complex mass matrix M_ν of the Dirac neutrinos can be decomposed as $M_\nu = S_\nu \cdot V_\nu$, where S_ν and V_ν are a Hermitian matrix and a unitary matrix, respectively. And, by redefining the right-handed neutrino fields as $\nu'_R = V_\nu \nu_R$, the neutrino mass matrix

would be Hermitian. In this situation, we have $U_R = U_L = U_{\text{PMNS}}$, which corresponds to $\bar{c}_{ij} = c_{ij}$ and $\bar{s}_{ij} = s_{ij}$, $\omega_1 = \omega_2 = \omega_3 = \omega_4 = \omega_5 = 0$, and $\delta_R = \delta$. As a result, the elements of the light neutrino mass matrix are fixed only by the neutrino oscillation data. The numerical value of the light neutrino mass matrix is given in the 3 σ range for the case of NO,

$$\frac{M_\nu}{10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2} = \begin{pmatrix} 3.22 \rightarrow 4.32 & (0.82 \rightarrow 9.14)e^{i(-3.1 \rightarrow 1.9)} & (1.46 \rightarrow 9.2)e^{i(-3.13 \rightarrow 2.66)} \\ (12)^* & 21.67 \rightarrow 36.14 & (16.41 \rightarrow 27.15)e^{i(-0.03 \rightarrow 0.03)} \\ (13)^* & (23)^* & 19.71 \rightarrow 34.11 \end{pmatrix}, \tag{42}$$

and for the case of IO,

$$\frac{M_\nu}{10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2} = \begin{pmatrix} 43.79 \rightarrow 53.32 & (3.31 \rightarrow 7.54)e^{i(-2.62 \rightarrow \pi)} & (3.05 \rightarrow 7.35)e^{i(-2.68 \rightarrow \pi)} \\ (12)^* & 17.12 \rightarrow 32.46 & (17.47 \rightarrow 32.28)e^{i(-\pi \rightarrow \pi)} \\ (13)^* & (23)^* & 19.43 \rightarrow 35.24 \end{pmatrix}, \tag{43}$$

where $(ij)^*$ refers to the complex conjugate of the element $[M_\nu]_{ij} \times 10^3 \text{ eV}^{-2}$. Note that the diagonal elements of the light neutrino mass matrix are real due to its Hermitian property.

VI. CONCLUSION

The neutrino oscillation data only provide information about the difference of the squared neutrino masses without telling us the value of the lightest neutrino mass. Recently, it has been shown that the consistency of the compactification of the SM coupled to Einstein gravity to lower dimensions with quantum gravity can impose constraints on the mass of the lightest neutrino. The circle compactification may yield stable non-SUSY AdS vacua that are inconsistent with quantum gravity or belong to the swampland according to the non-SUSY AdS conjecture, depending on the light neutrino masses. Because the SM and Einstein gravity have described very well the observed world and hence they cannot be lying in the swampland,

these dangerous AdS vacua must be absent if the mass of the lightest neutrino satisfies the following bound $m_\nu \lesssim (\rho_{4\text{D}})^{1/4}$, where $\rho_{4\text{D}} \approx 2.6 \times 10^{-47} \text{ GeV}^4$ is the observed vacuum energy density.

In the present work, we revisit the constraint of the non-SUSY AdS conjecture on the three-dimensional vacua, which are obtained from the circle compactification of the SM coupled to Einstein gravity with the radion potential generated by the cosmological constant and the Casimir effect of the light particles. Unlike the previous studies where the three-dimensional components of the four-dimensional metric are restricted to be dependent on the noncompact coordinates only, we consider them to be the general functions of both noncompact and compact coordinates. From investigating the wave function profile of the three-dimensional metric in the compactified dimension, we find that the radius R of the compactified dimension must be quantized by the following rule $R = n/\sqrt{15}\Lambda_4$ (due to the circle topology of the compactified dimension),

where n refers to the positive integers and $\Lambda_4 = \rho_{4D}/M_{\text{Pl}}^2$, with M_{Pl} being the observed Planck scale. Because of this quantization, the existence or the absence of dangerous three-dimensional AdS vacua is very sensitive to Λ_4 (instead of ρ_{4D} as indicated in the previous works) and the light particles with the mass on the order of Λ_4 . In addition, the quantization of the radius of the compactified dimension forbids the runaway behavior of the radion potential. Therefore, it is interesting that both the quantization rule and the non-SUSY AdS conjecture impose constraints on the three-dimensional vacua leading to an upper bound and a lower bound for the mass of the lightest neutrino as $\sqrt{2} \leq m_\nu/\sqrt{\Lambda_4} < \sqrt{3}$. This constraint is very predictive because the mass of the lightest neutrino is around 10^{-32} eV, which implies that the lightest neutrino would be nearly massless.

With the well-approximate vanishing mass of the lightest neutrino, we reconstruct the light neutrino mass matrix in the situation where the charged lepton mass matrix is diagonal. In general, the light neutrino mass matrix is a 3×3 complex matrix with nine independent complex elements that can be diagonalized by the lepton mixing matrix [or the Pontecorvo-Maki-Nakagawa-Sakata (PMNS) matrix] and another unitary matrix. In this way, we fix the elements of the light neutrino mass matrix based on the neutrino oscillation data and in terms of three new mixing angles and six new phases for the cases of NO and IO. Interestingly, the mass matrix of the light neutrinos can be taken to be Hermitian when the generations of right-handed neutrinos transform universally by redefining the right-handed neutrino fields. In this case, we calculate the numerical value of the light neutrino mass matrix in the 3σ range for both NO and IO.

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