



Multicomponent Dark Matter in Radiative Seesaw Models

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We discuss radiative seesaw models, in which an exact $Z_2 \times Z_2'$ symmetry is imposed. Due to the exact $Z_2 \times Z_2'$ symmetry, neutrino masses are generated at a two-loop level and at least two extra stable electrically neutral particles are predicted. We consider two models: one has a multi-component dark matter system and the other one has a dark radiation in addition to a dark matter. In the multi-component dark matter system, non-standard dark matter annihilation processes exist. We find that they play important roles in determining the relic abundance and also responsible for the monochromatic neutrino lines resulting from the dark matter annihilation process. In the model with the dark radiation, the structure of the Yukawa coupling is considerably constrained and gives an interesting relationship among cosmology, lepton flavor violating decay of the charged leptons and the decay of the inert Higgs bosons.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Neutrino oscillation experiments show that the neutrinos have tiny masses and mix with each other. It is a clear evidence for physics beyond the standard model (SM), since the SM has no mechanism for giving masses to the neutrinos. The global fit [1] shows that the mass-squared differences of the neutrinos are $\Delta m_{21}^2 = 7.50_{-0.17}^{+0.19} \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$ and $\Delta m_{31}^2 = 2.524_{-0.040}^{+0.039} (-2.514_{-0.041}^{+0.038}) \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ for normal (inverted) mass hierarchy. The cosmological data, on the other hand, gives the upper bound of the sum of the neutrino masses as $\Sigma_j m_{\nu_j} < 0.23 \text{ eV}$ [2], a scale twelve orders of magnitudes smaller than the electroweak scale. It is one of the most important problems of particle physics to reveal the origin of the tiny masses for the neutrinos.

Type-I seesaw mechanism [3–6] is one of the attractive way to realize the tiny masses of the neutrinos, where the right-handed neutrinos are introduced to the SM. If the neutrino Yukawa coupling for the Dirac neutrino mass is $\mathcal{O}(1)$, the mass of the right-handed neutrino has to be around $\mathcal{O}(10^{15}) \text{ GeV}$ to obtain eV-scale neutrinos. The mass scale of $\mathcal{O}(10^{15}) \text{ GeV}$ is obviously beyond the reach of collider experiments. Even for the mass of the right-handed neutrinos around $\mathcal{O}(1) \text{ TeV}$, the direct search of the right-handed neutrinos would be difficult because of the tiny neutrino Yukawa couplings of $\mathcal{O}(10^{-6})$.

Another attractive way to give the neutrino masses is a radiative generation (the so-called radiative seesaw model). The original idea of radiatively generating neutrino masses due to TeV-scale physics has been proposed by Zee [7], in which the neutrino masses are induced at the one-loop level because of the addition of an isospin doublet scalar field and a charged singlet field to the SM. Another possibility for generating neutrino masses via the new scalar particles is e.g., the Zee-Babu model [8, 9], in which the neutrino masses arise at the two-loop level.

A further extension with a TeV-scale right-handed neutrino has been proposed in Krauss et al. [10]. In this model the neutrino masses are induced at the three-loop level, where the Dirac neutrino

mass at the tree level is forbidden due to an exact Z_2 symmetry. The right-handed neutrino is odd under the Z_2 and becomes a candidate of dark matter (DM). The idea of simultaneous explanation for the neutrino masses via the radiative seesaw mechanism and the stability of DM by introducing an exact discrete symmetry has been discussed in many models (see e.g., [11–46] and the recent review [47] and references therein).

The model proposed by Ma [11] is one of the simplest radiative seesaw model with DM candidates. The model has the Z_2 -odd right-handed neutrinos N_k and the inert doublet scalar field $\eta = (\eta^+, \eta_R^0 + i\eta_I^0)^T$. The neutrino masses are generated at the one-loop level, in which the Yukawa interactions $Y_{ik}^{\nu} L_i \eta N_k$ and the scalar interaction $(\lambda_5/2)(H^\dagger \eta)^2$ contribute to the neutrino mass generation. The mass matrix is expressed as

$$(\mathcal{M}_\nu)_{ij} = \sum_k \frac{Y_{ik}^{\nu} Y_{jk}^{\nu} M_k}{32\pi^2} \left[\frac{m_{\eta_R^0}^2}{m_{\eta_R^0}^2 - M_k^2} \ln \left(\frac{m_{\eta_R^0}}{M_k} \right)^2 - \frac{m_{\eta_I^0}^2}{m_{\eta_I^0}^2 - M_k^2} \ln \left(\frac{m_{\eta_I^0}}{M_k} \right)^2 \right],$$

where M_k is the Majorana mass of the k -th generation of right-handed neutrino, $m_{\eta_R^0}$ and $m_{\eta_I^0}$ are the mass of the η_R^0 and η_I^0 , respectively. In this model, we have two scenarios with respect to the DM candidate; the lightest right-handed neutrino N_1 or the lighter Z_2 -odd neutral scalar field (η_R^0 or η_I^0). The phenomenology of the model is studied in Kubo et al. [48], Bouchand and Merle [49], Merle and Platscher [50], Ma and Raidal [51], Suematsu et al. [52], Aoki and Kanemura [53], Suematsu et al. [54], Schmidt et al. [55], Hehn and Ibarra [56], Toma and Vicente [57], Ibarra et al. [58], Merle et al. [59], Lindner et al. [60], Hessler et al. [61], Aristizabal Sierra et al. [62], Gelmini et al. [63], and Ma [64].

A DM candidate can be made stable by an unbroken symmetry. The simplest possibility of such a symmetry is Z_2 symmetry as in the above models. However, if the DM stabilizing symmetry is larger than Z_2 : Z_N ($N \geq 4$) or a product of two or more Z_2 s, the DM is consisting of stable multi-DM particles (multicomponent DM system). A supersymmetric extension of the radiative seesaw model of Ma [11] is an example [41–46]. Other possibilities with multicomponent DM are widely discussed in Ma and Sarkar [34], Kajiyama et al. [35, 37], Wang and Han [36], Baek et al. [38], Aoki et al. [39, 40], Bhattacharya et al. [65], Berezhiani and Khlopov [66, 67], Hur et al. [68], Zurek [69], Batell [70], Dienes and Thomas [71, 72], Ivanov and Keus [73], Dienes et al. [74], D’Eramo et al. [75], Gu [76], Bhattacharya et al. [77, 78], Geng et al. [79], Boddy et al. [80], Geng et al. [81], Esch et al. [82], Geng et al. [83], Arcadi et al. [84], DiFranzo and Mohlabeng [85], Aoki and Toma [86], and Aoki et al. [87].

In this paper we study two models of the two-loop extension of the model by Ma [11], we call them as “model A” and “model B” in which due to the $Z_2 \times Z_2'$ symmetry a set of stable particles can exist. Introducing two new scalar fields, the λ_5 term is generated radiatively in the model A [39, 40]. In this model we discuss the three component DM system in which the two new scalar fields

and a right-handed neutrino are the DM candidate. Such case has been discussed in Aoki et al. [40], however, we reanalyze the model since the benchmark points studied in Aoki et al. [40], where the masses of both new scalars are several hundred GeV, has been excluded by the recent results of the direct detection DM experiments. In this paper we focus on the case where the mass of one of the scalar DMs is close to the half of the Higgs boson mass to satisfy the constraints from the direct detection. In the model B the right-handed neutrinos have the mass radiatively generated through the one loop of internal new fermion and scalar fields. We identify the lightest right-handed neutrino as dark radiation.

We start in section 2 by writing down a set of the Boltzmann equations of the multicomponent DM system. The model A is discussed in section 3 by following Aoki et al. [40]. In section 4 we discuss the model B and relate dark radiation with the lepton flavor violating decay of the charged leptons and the decay of the inert Higgs bosons. Summary and discussion are given in section 5.

2. MULTICOMPONENT DARK MATTER SYSTEMS

In the case of one-component DM the relic density of DM χ is determined by the Boltzmann equation

$$\dot{n}_\chi + 3Hn_\chi = -\langle \sigma_{\chi\chi \rightarrow XX'} v \rangle (n_\chi^2 - \bar{n}_\chi^2), \quad (1)$$

where n_χ is the DM number density, \bar{n}_χ is the equilibrium number density and $\langle \sigma_{\chi\chi \rightarrow XX'} v \rangle$ is the thermally averaged cross section for $\chi\chi \rightarrow XX'$. Here X and X' stand for the SM particles. The Hubble parameter H is given by $H = 1.66 \times g_*^{1/2} T^2 / M_{\text{PL}}$, where g_* is the total number of effective degrees of freedom, T and M_{PL} are the temperature and the Planck mass, respectively. It is convenient to rewrite the equation in terms of dimensionless quantities; the number per comoving volume $Y_\chi = n_\chi / s$ and the inverse temperature $x = m/T$. Here s is the entropy density $s = (2\pi^2/45)g_* T^3$ and m is the mass of the DM particle. Using the replacement of $dx/dt = H|_{T=m}/x$, we obtain

$$\frac{dY_\chi}{dx} = -0.264 g_*^{1/2} \frac{m M_{\text{PL}}}{x^2} \langle \sigma_{\chi\chi \rightarrow XX'} v \rangle (Y_\chi Y_\chi - \bar{Y}_\chi \bar{Y}_\chi). \quad (2)$$

The thermally averaged cross section $\langle \sigma_{\chi\chi \rightarrow XX'} v \rangle$ of $\mathcal{O}(10^{-9})$ GeV with a DM mass of 100 GeV gives $Y_\chi \simeq 10^{-12}$, which is consistent with the observed value of the relic abundance $\Omega h^2 \simeq 0.12$ [88].

In the multicomponent DM system three types of processes enter in the Boltzmann equations¹:

$$\chi_i \chi_i \leftrightarrow XX' \quad (\text{standard annihilation}), \quad (3)$$

$$\chi_i \chi_i \leftrightarrow \chi_j \chi_j \quad (\text{DM conversion}), \quad (4)$$

$$\chi_i \chi_j \leftrightarrow \chi_k X \quad (\text{semi-annihilation}). \quad (5)$$

¹Semi-annihilation processes also exist in one-component DM systems when DM is a Z_3 charged particle [89–95] or a vector boson [96–99].

See **Figure 1** for a depiction of three types of processes. Here we assume that none of the DM particles have the same quantum number with respect to the DM stabilizing symmetry. The Boltzmann equations for the DM particle χ_i with mass m_i are

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dY_i}{dx} = & -0.264 g_*^{1/2} \frac{\mu M_{\text{PL}}}{x^2} \left\{ \langle \sigma_{\chi_i \chi_i \rightarrow X X'} \nu \rangle (Y_i Y_i - \bar{Y}_i \bar{Y}_i) \right. \\ & + \sum_{i>j} \langle \sigma_{\chi_i \chi_i \rightarrow \chi_j \chi_j} \nu \rangle \left(Y_i Y_i - \frac{Y_j Y_j}{\bar{Y}_j \bar{Y}_j} \bar{Y}_i \bar{Y}_i \right) \\ & - \sum_{j>i} \langle \sigma_{\chi_j \chi_j \rightarrow \chi_i \chi_i} \nu \rangle \left(Y_j Y_j - \frac{Y_i Y_i}{\bar{Y}_i \bar{Y}_i} \bar{Y}_j \bar{Y}_j \right) \\ & + \sum_{j,k} \langle \sigma_{\chi_i \chi_i \rightarrow \chi_k \chi_{ijk}} \nu \rangle \left(Y_i Y_i - \frac{Y_k}{\bar{Y}_k} \bar{Y}_i \bar{Y}_j \right) \\ & \left. - \sum_{j,k} \langle \sigma_{\chi_j \chi_k \rightarrow \chi_k \chi_{ijk}} \nu \rangle \left(Y_j Y_k - \frac{Y_i}{\bar{Y}_i} \bar{Y}_j \bar{Y}_k \right) \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Here $x = \mu/T$ and $1/\mu = (\sum_i m_i^{-1})$ is the reduced mass of the system. The contributions of non-standard annihilations have been discussed in e.g., Aoki et al. [87] for two and three component DM system with a $Z_2 \times Z'_2$ symmetry.

3. MODEL A

In the following, by extending the one-loop model in Ma [11] we study two of the two-loop radiative seesaw models with $Z_2 \times Z'_2$ symmetry. We refer to them as “model A” and “model B.” Owing to the $Z_2 \times Z'_2$ symmetry, there exist at least two extra stable electrically neutral particles. The multicomponent DM system is realized in the model A, while one of the stable particles plays as the dark radiation in the model B.

The matter content of the model A is shown in **Table 1**. In addition to the matter content of the SM model, we introduce the right-handed neutrino N_k , an $SU(2)_L$ doublet scalar η , and two SM singlet scalars χ and ϕ . Note that the lepton number L' of N is zero. The $Z_2 \times Z'_2 \times L'$ -invariant Yukawa sector and Majorana mass term for N can be described by

$$\mathcal{L}_Y = Y_{ij}^e H^\dagger L_i l_{Rj}^e + Y_{ik}^\nu L_i \epsilon \eta N_k - \frac{1}{2} M_k N_k N_k + h.c., \quad (7)$$

where i, j, k ($= 1, 2, 3$) stand for the flavor indices. The scalar potential V is written as $V = V_\lambda + V_m$, where

$$\begin{aligned} V_\lambda = & \lambda_1 (H^\dagger H)^2 + \lambda_2 (\eta^\dagger \eta)^2 + \lambda_3 (H^\dagger H)(\eta^\dagger \eta) + \lambda_4 (H^\dagger \eta)(\eta^\dagger H) \\ & + \gamma_1 \chi^4 + \gamma_2 (H^\dagger H)\chi^2 + \gamma_3 (\eta^\dagger \eta)\chi^2 + \gamma_4 |\phi|^4 + \gamma_5 (H^\dagger H)|\phi|^2 \\ & + \gamma_6 (\eta^\dagger \eta)|\phi|^2 + \gamma_7 \chi^2 |\phi|^2 + \frac{\kappa}{2} [(H^\dagger \eta)\chi\phi + h.c.], \quad (8) \\ V_m = & m_1^2 H^\dagger H + m_2^2 \eta^\dagger \eta + \frac{1}{2} m_3^2 \chi^2 + m_4^2 |\phi|^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_5^2 [\phi^2 \\ & + (\phi^*)^2]. \quad (9) \end{aligned}$$

The $Z_2 \times Z'_2$ is the unbroken discrete symmetry while the lepton number L' is softly broken by the last term in the potential V_m , the ϕ mass term. In the absence of this term, there will be no neutrino mass. Note that the “ λ_5 term,” $(\lambda_5/2)(H^\dagger \eta)^2$, is also forbidden by L' . A small λ_5 of the original model of Ma [11] is “natural” according to 't Hooft [100], because the absence of λ_5 implies an enhancement of symmetry. In fact, if λ_5 is small at some scale, it remains small for other scales as one can explicitly verify [49, 50]. Here we attempt to derive the smallness of λ_5 dynamically, such that the λ_5 term becomes calculable.

The Higgs doublet field H , the inert doublet field η and the singlet scalar ϕ are respectively parameterized as

$$\begin{aligned} H = & \begin{pmatrix} H^+ \\ (v_h + h + iG)/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \eta = \begin{pmatrix} \eta^+ \\ (\eta_R^0 + i\eta_I^0)/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}, \\ \phi = & (\phi_R + i\phi_I)/\sqrt{2}, \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

TABLE 1 | The matter content and the corresponding quantum numbers of the model A.

Field	Statistics	$SU(2)_L$	$U(1)_Y$	Z_2	Z'_2	L'
$L = (v_L, l_L)$	F	2	-1/2	+	+	1
l_R^e	F	1	1	+	+	-1
N	F	1	0	-	+	0
$H = (H^+, H^0)$	B	2	1/2	+	+	0
$\eta = (\eta^+, \eta^0)$	B	2	1/2	-	+	-1
χ	B	1	0	+	-	0
ϕ	B	1	0	-	-	1

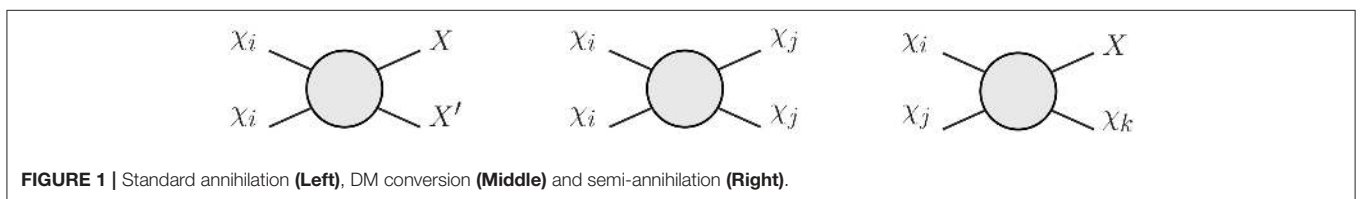


FIGURE 1 | Standard annihilation (Left), DM conversion (Middle) and semi-annihilation (Right).

where v_h is the vacuum expectation value. The tree-level masses of the scalars are given by

$$m_h^2 = 2\lambda_1 v_h^2, \quad (11)$$

$$m_{\eta^\pm}^2 = m_2^2 + \lambda_3 v_h^2/2, \quad (12)$$

$$m_{\eta^0}^2 = m_{\eta_1^0}^2 = m_2^2 + (\lambda_3 + \lambda_4)v_h^2/2, \quad (13)$$

$$m_{\phi_R}^2 = m_4^2 + m_5^2 + \gamma_5 v_h^2, \quad (14)$$

$$m_{\phi_I}^2 = m_4^2 - m_5^2 + \gamma_5 v_h^2, \quad (15)$$

$$m_\chi^2 = m_3^2 + \gamma_2 v_h^2. \quad (16)$$

Although the tree-level mass of η^0 is the same as that of η_1^0 as shown in Equation (13), the degeneracy is lifted at the one-loop level via the effective λ_5 term:

$$\lambda_5^{\text{eff}} \sim -\frac{\kappa^2}{128\pi^2} \frac{m_5^2}{m_{\phi_R}^2 - m_\chi^2} \left[1 - \frac{m_\chi^2}{m_{\phi_R}^2 - m_\chi^2} \ln \frac{m_{\phi_R}^2}{m_\chi^2} \right] \quad (17)$$

for $m_5 \ll m_{\phi_R}$.

This correction is embedded into the two-loop diagram to generate the neutrino mass (see **Figure 2**). The 3×3 neutrino mass matrix \mathcal{M}_ν can be given by

$$(\mathcal{M}_\nu)_{ij} = \left(\frac{1}{16\pi^2} \right)^2 \frac{\kappa^2 v_h^2}{16} \sum_k Y_{ik}^\nu Y_{jk}^\nu M_k \int_0^\infty dx \frac{x}{(x + m_{\eta^0}^2)^2 (x + M_k^2)} \int_0^1 dz \ln \left[\frac{zm_\chi^2 + (1-z)m_{\phi_I}^2 + z(1-z)x}{zm_\chi^2 + (1-z)m_{\phi_R}^2 + z(1-z)x} \right], \quad (18)$$

where we have assumed that $m_{\eta^0} = m_{\eta_1^0} \simeq m_{\eta_1^0}$.

Using λ_5^{eff} given in Equation (17), the neutrino mass matrix can be approximated as

$$(\mathcal{M}_\nu)_{ij} \sim \frac{\lambda_5^{\text{eff}} v_h^2}{32\pi^2} \sum_k \frac{Y_{ik}^\nu Y_{jk}^\nu M_k}{m_{\eta^0}^2 - M_k^2} \left[1 - \frac{M_k^2}{m_{\eta^0}^2 - M_k^2} \ln \frac{m_{\eta^0}^2}{M_k^2} \right]. \quad (19)$$

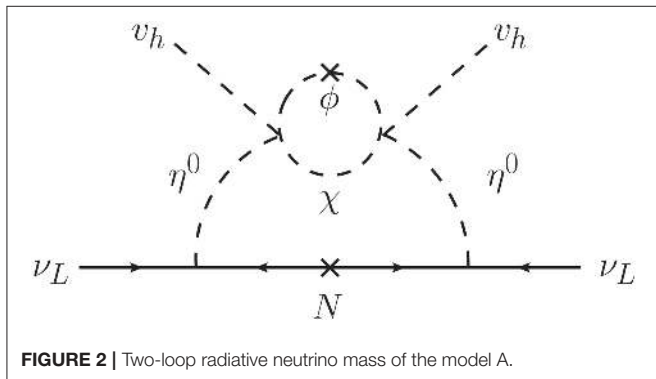


FIGURE 2 | Two-loop radiative neutrino mass of the model A.

We see from Equations (17) and (19) that the neutrino mass matrix \mathcal{M}_ν is proportional to $|Y^\nu \kappa|^2 m_5^2$. When $m_\chi, m_{\phi_R}, m_{\eta^0}, M_k \sim \mathcal{O}(10^2)$ GeV, for instance, implies that $|Y^\nu \kappa| m_5 \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-1})$ GeV to obtain the neutrino mass scale of $\mathcal{O}(0.1)$ eV. With the same set of the parameter values we find that $\lambda_5^{\text{eff}} \sim 10^{-6}$, where the smallness λ_5^{eff} is a consequence of the radiative generation of this coupling. As we will see, the product $|Y^\nu \kappa|$ enters into the semi-annihilation of DM particles which produces monochromatic neutrinos, while the upper bound of $|Y^\nu|$ follows from the $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ constraint.

3.1. Multicomponent Dark Matter System

In the model A there are three type of dark matter candidates; N_1 (the lightest among N_k 's) or η^0 (or η_1^0) with $(Z_2, Z'_2) = (-, +)$, χ with $(Z_2, Z'_2) = (+, -)$ and ϕ_R (or ϕ_I) with $(Z_2, Z'_2) = (-, -)$. For $(Z_2, Z'_2) = (-, +)$ there are two candidates. In the following discussions we assume that N_1 is a DM candidate [40]. The other possibility, η^0 -DM, is discussed in Aoki et al. [39].

We discuss the three DM system of N_1, ϕ_R, χ . There are three types of DM annihilation process:

$$\text{Standard annihilation: } N_1 N_1 \rightarrow XX', \quad \phi_R \phi_R \rightarrow XX', \quad \chi \chi \rightarrow XX', \quad (20)$$

$$\text{DM conversion: } \phi_R \phi_R \rightarrow \chi \chi, \quad (21)$$

$$\text{Semi-annihilation: } N_1 \phi_R \rightarrow \chi \nu, \quad \chi N_1 \rightarrow \phi_R \nu, \quad \phi_R \chi \rightarrow N_1 \nu. \quad (22)$$

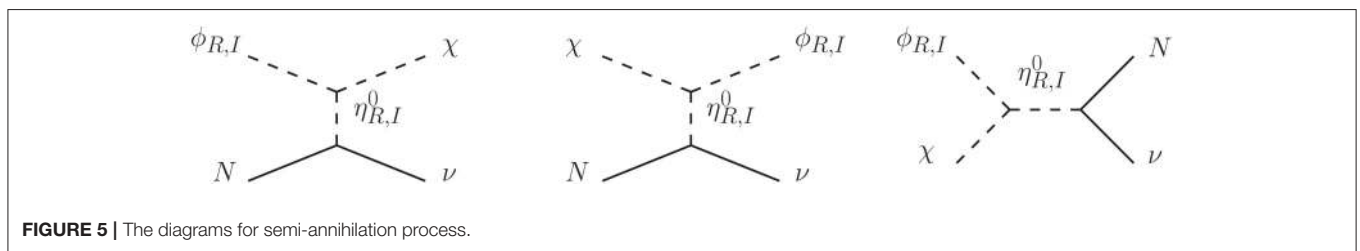
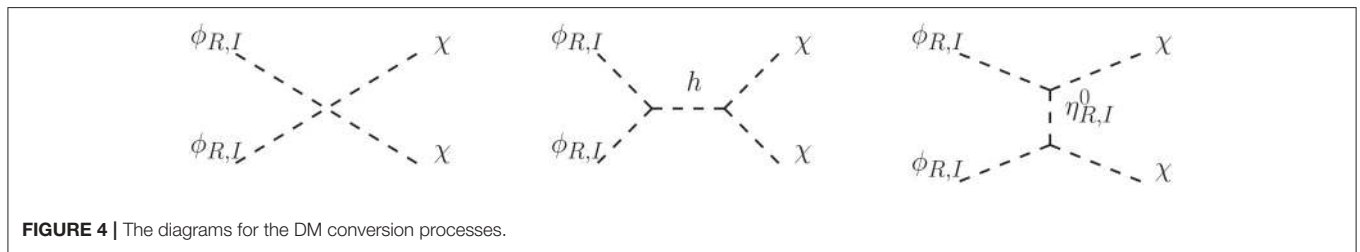
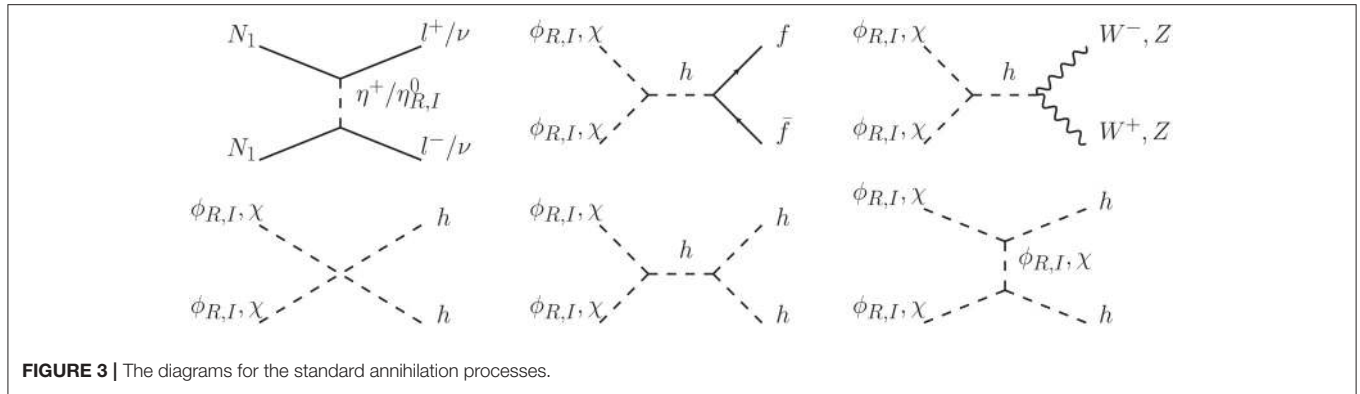
Here we have assumed $m_{\phi_R} > m_\chi$ and $m_{\phi_R} + m_\chi < M_{2,3}$. Moreover, since the mass difference between ϕ_R and ϕ_I is controlled by the lepton-number breaking mass m_5 , which is assumed to be much smaller than m_{ϕ_R} . Then m_{ϕ_R} and m_{ϕ_I} are practically degenerate and the contribution of ϕ_I to the annihilation processes during the decoupling of DMs is nonnegligible. The diagrams for annihilation processes which enter the Boltzmann equation are shown in **Figures 3–5**. Since the reaction rate of the conversion between ϕ_R and ϕ_I can reach chemical equilibrium during the decoupling of DMs, we can sum up the number densities of ϕ_R and ϕ_I and compute the relic abundance of $\Omega_{\phi_R} h^2$ [40].

In the multicomponent DM scenario, the effective cross section off the nucleon is given by

$$\sigma_i^{\text{eff}} = \sigma_i \left(\frac{\Omega_i h^2}{\Omega_{\text{total}} h^2} \right). \quad (23)$$

In our model, only χ and ϕ_R scatter with the nucleus, and the right-handed neutrino N_1 does not interact with nucleus at tree level. So we can neglect the N_1 contribution at the lowest order in perturbation theory. The effective cross sections of ϕ_R and χ are expressed as

$$\sigma_\chi^{\text{eff}} = \sigma_\chi \left(\frac{\Omega_\chi h^2}{\Omega_{\text{total}} h^2} \right), \quad \sigma_{\phi_R}^{\text{eff}} = \sigma_{\phi_R} \left(\frac{\Omega_{\phi_R} h^2}{\Omega_{\text{total}} h^2} \right), \quad (24)$$



where σ_χ and σ_{ϕ_R} are the spin independent cross sections and given by

$$\sigma_\chi = \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{\gamma_2 \hat{f} m_N}{m_\chi m_h^2} \right)^2 \left(\frac{m_N m_\chi}{m_N + m_\chi} \right)^2, \quad (25)$$

$$\sigma_{\phi_R} = \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{(\gamma_5/2) \hat{f} m_N}{m_{\phi_R} m_h^2} \right)^2 \left(\frac{m_N m_{\phi_R}}{m_N + m_{\phi_R}} \right)^2. \quad (26)$$

Here $\hat{f} \sim 0.3$ is the usual nucleonic matrix element [101] and m_N is nucleon mass.

The upper bounds on the cross section off the nucleon is obtained by LUX [102] and XENON1T [103]. In the cases of one-component DM system of a real or complex scalar boson, those experimental results give the strong constraint on the masses of those DM particles; the allowed DM mass region is $\simeq m_h/2$ and $\gtrsim 1$ TeV [104–106]. In the model A with the multicomponent DM system, the constraints on the cross sections off the nucleon for χ and ϕ_R are also relatively severe. As a benchmark we take

the mass of χ as $m_\chi = m_h/2$ while vary the mass of ϕ_R in the following analysis².

In the original one-loop neutrino mass model in Ma [11], the relic density of N_1 tends to be larger than the observational value [48]. The additional contributions coming from the semi-annihilation can enhance the annihilation rate for N_1 so that the N_1 DM contribution to the total relic abundance can be suppressed. This situation is realized for $M_1 > m_{\phi_R}, m_\chi$ as can be seen later.

As the benchmark set we take the following values for the parameters.

$$m_\chi = 62 \text{ GeV}, \quad M_1 = 300 \text{ GeV}, \quad (27)$$

$$m_{\eta_R^0} = m_{\eta_I^0} = m_{\eta^+} = m_\chi + m_{\phi_R} - 10 \text{ GeV}, \quad (28)$$

$$m_{\phi_I} = m_{\phi_R} + 5 \text{ GeV}, \quad (29)$$

$$\gamma_2 = 0.004, \quad \gamma_5 = 0.05, \quad \gamma_7 = 0.17, \quad (30)$$

$$\kappa = 0.4, \quad Y_{ij}^\nu = 0.01. \quad (31)$$

²Two singlet scalar DM scenario in $Z_2 \times Z_2$ model has been explored in detail in Bhattacharya et al. [65].

The masses of heavier right-handed neutrinos are $M_2 = M_3 = 1$ TeV. The mass differences between $m_{\eta_R^0}$ and the sum of m_χ and m_{ϕ_R} are so chosen that no resonance appears in the s -channel of the semi-annihilation in **Figure 5** (right). The benchmark set satisfies the constraints from the perturbativeness, the stability conditions of the scalar potential [39, 40], the lepton flavor violation (LFV) such as $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ [107] and the electroweak precision measurements [108, 109]. It is noted that κ is bounded as $|\kappa| \lesssim 0.4$ by the perturbativeness and the stability conditions [39, 40].

Figure 6 shows the relic abundances of $\Omega_\chi h^2$, $\Omega_{\phi_R} h^2$, and $\Omega_{N_1} h^2$ and the total relic abundance $\Omega_{\text{total}} h^2 (= \Omega_\chi h^2 + \Omega_{\phi_R} h^2 + \Omega_{N_1} h^2)$ as a function of m_{ϕ_R} for the benchmark set. The horizontal dashed line stands for the observed value $\Omega_{\text{obs}} h^2 \sim 0.12$. It is shown that the relic abundance of the χ is $\Omega_\chi \simeq \Omega_{\text{obs}}/2$. When ϕ_R is lighter than N_1 , the semi-annihilation tends to decrease the relic abundance of N_1 . For the benchmark set, the total relic abundance is consistent with the observed value around $m_{\phi_R} \simeq 280$ GeV.

The left panel in **Figure 7** shows the contour plot for the $m_{\phi_R} - \gamma_5$ plane where the total relic density of DM can be made consistent with the observed value $\Omega_{\text{obs}} h^2 \sim 0.12$. We take two values, 10 GeV (black line) and 1 GeV (red line), for the mass difference between $m_{\eta_R^0}$ and $m_\chi + m_{\phi_R}$ in Equation (28). The other parameters are taken as the same in Equations (27–31). We can see the scalar coupling γ_5 increases drastically as m_{ϕ_R} increases for $m_{\phi_R} \gtrsim 290$ GeV. It is because the relic density of the N_1 DM, $\Omega_{N_1} h^2$, becomes significant for $m_{\phi_R} \gtrsim 290$ GeV, so that $\Omega_{\phi_R} h^2$ should be drastically suppressed. The scalar couplings of DM particles with the SM Higgs boson, γ_2 and γ_5 , and the DM masses are constrained by the DM direct detection experiments. For the χ DM, the effective cross section off nucleon σ_χ^{eff} in Equation (24) is $\sigma_\chi^{\text{eff}} \sim 10^{-47}$ cm² for the benchmark set. It is an order of magnitude smaller than the current experimental bound. For the ϕ_R DM, the right panel in **Figure 7** shows the relation between m_{ϕ_R} and the effective cross

section $\sigma_{\phi_R}^{\text{eff}}$ for $(m_\chi + m_{\phi_R}) - m_{\eta_R^0} = 10$ GeV (black line) and 1 GeV (red line), where the DM relic abundance is consistent with the observation. The plot corresponds to the parameter space in the left panel in **Figure 7**. The dot and dashed lines indicate the upper bounds of LUX and XENON1T, respectively. The hatched region is excluded by perturbativity. Although the scalar coupling γ_5 becomes large for $m_{\phi_R} \gtrsim 290$ GeV and then the cross sections off the nucleon σ_{ϕ_R} becomes large, the effective cross section $\sigma_{\phi_R}^{\text{eff}}$ decreases for $m_{\phi_R} \gtrsim M_1 (= 300$ GeV), since the abundance of ϕ_R decreases. For the case of $(m_\chi + m_{\phi_R}) - m_{\eta_R^0} = 10$ GeV, it can be seen that the mass region 288 GeV $\lesssim m_{\phi_R}$ is excluded by LUX and XENON1T data. On the other hand, there are no constraints from the direct DM search experiments on the mass of ϕ_R for the case of $(m_\chi + m_{\phi_R}) - m_{\eta_R^0} = 1$ GeV. This is because the relic abundance of ϕ_R becomes much smaller by the large contribution from the s -channel process of the semi-annihilation. **Figure 8** shows the same as in **Figure 7** but for $M_1 = 500$ GeV and $\gamma_7 = 0.28$. From the right panel in **Figure 8**, we see that 485 (490) GeV $\lesssim m_{\phi_R} \lesssim 510$ (502) GeV is excluded by the direct detection experiments for $(m_\chi + m_{\phi_R}) - m_{\eta_R^0} = 10$ (1) GeV.

Before we go to discuss indirect detection, we summarize the parameter space, in which a correct value of the total relic DM abundance $\Omega_{\text{total}} h^2$ can be obtained without contradicting the constraint from the direct detection experiments. As in the case of the single SM singlet DM, the constraint is in fact very severe: The mass of χ has to be very close to $m_h/2$, and γ_2 (the Higgs portal coupling) also has to be close to 0.004 for an adequate amount of Ω_χ . However, as for m_{ϕ_R} and γ_5 , there exist a certain allowed region. The allowed region in the $m_{\phi_R} - \gamma_5$ plane is controlled by the semi-annihilation [especially, the last diagram in **Figure 5**, which is sensitive to the mass relation (28)] and the DM conversion (especially the right diagram in **Figure 4**, which is sensitive to γ_7). If we increase the mass of the right-handed neutrino DM, the mass of ϕ_R increases, but how the allowed range in the $m_{\phi_R} - \gamma_5$ plane emerges remains the same. If we take the larger γ_7 , e.g., $\gamma_7 = 0.28$, in **Figure 7**, the allowed region for m_{ϕ_R} becomes narrower as 295 GeV $\lesssim m_{\phi_R} \lesssim 300$ GeV. The smaller m_{ϕ_R} ($\lesssim 295$ GeV) is excluded by $\Omega_{\text{total}} < \Omega_{\text{obs}}$ due to the larger DM conversion i.e., the larger annihilation process of $\phi_R \phi_R \rightarrow \chi \chi \rightarrow XX$.

3.2. Indirect Detection

For indirect detections of DM the SM particles produced by the annihilation of DM are searched. Because the semi-annihilation produces a SM particle, this process can serve for an indirect detection. In our model, especially, the SM particle from the semi-annihilation process as shown in **Figure 5** is neutrino which has a monochromatic energy spectrum. Therefore, we consider below the neutrino flux from the Sun [110–120] as a possibility to detect the semi-annihilation process of DMs.

The DM particles are captured in the Sun losing their kinematic energy through scattering with the nucleus. Then captured DM particles annihilate each other. The time dependence of the number of DM n_i in the Sun is given by Griest and Seckel [114], Ritz and Seckel [115], Bertone et al. [116], Silk et al. [117], Kamionkowski [118], Kamionkowski et al.

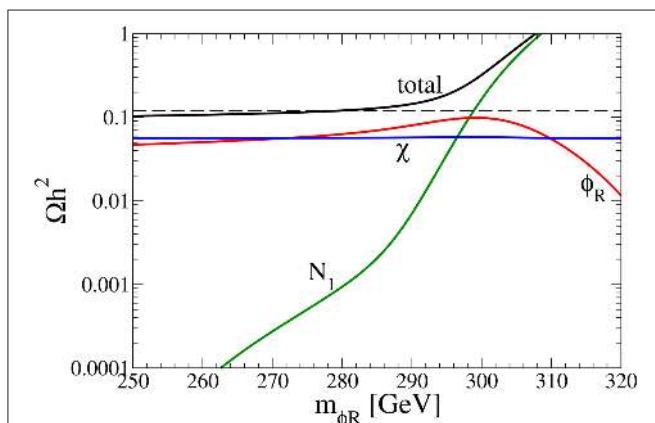
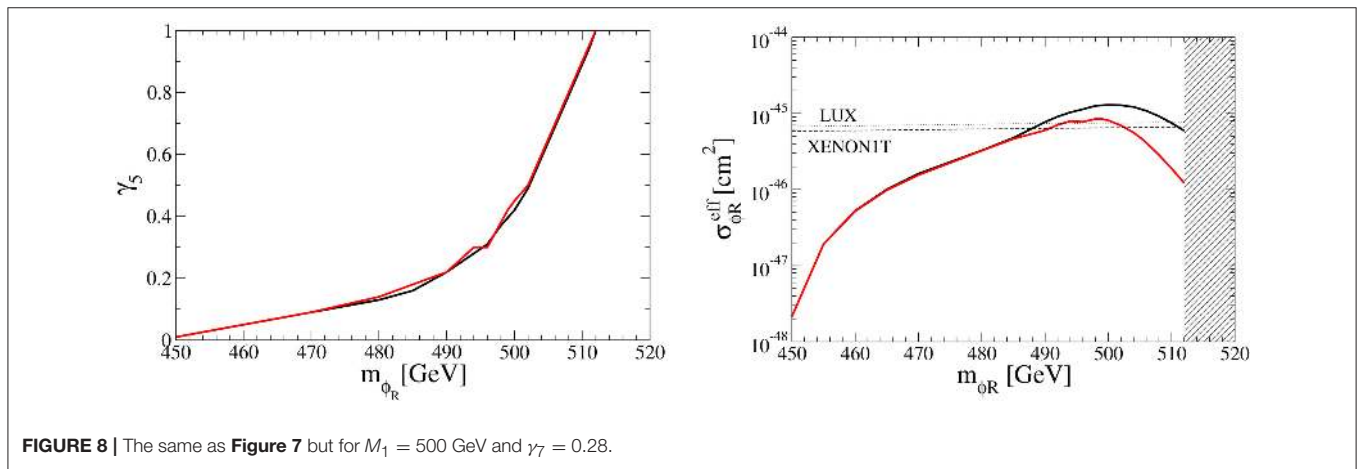
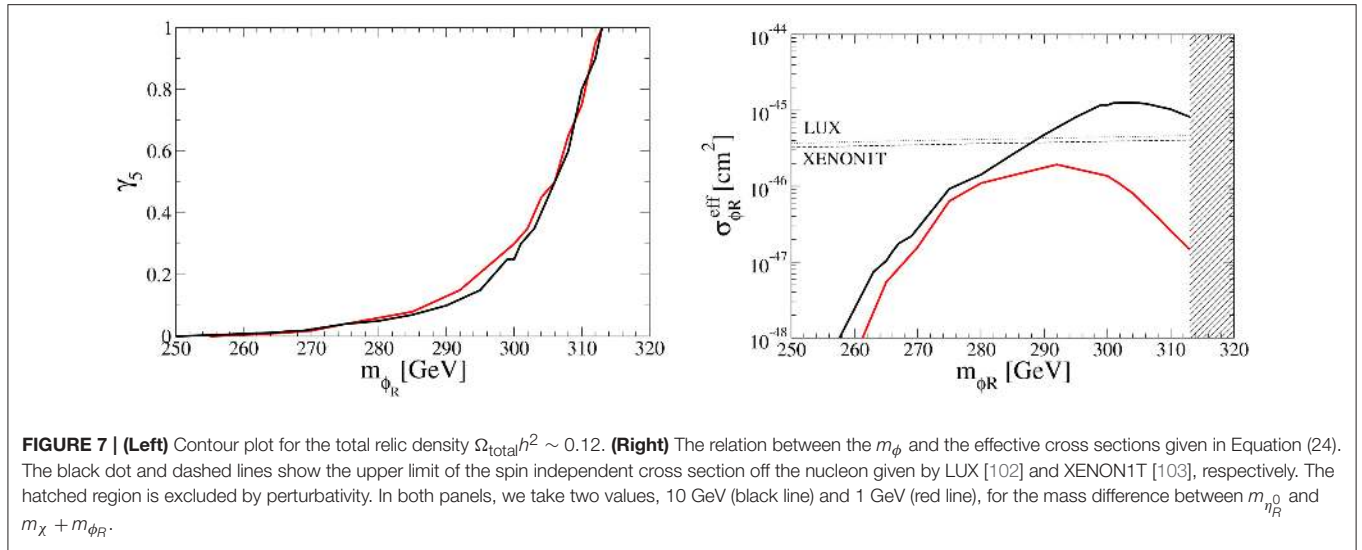


FIGURE 6 | Relic abundances $\Omega_\chi h^2$, $\Omega_{\phi_R} h^2$, and $\Omega_{N_1} h^2$ and the total relic abundance $\Omega_{\text{total}} h^2$ as a function of m_{ϕ_R} . The relevant masses and couplings are taken as in Equations (27–31). The horizontal dashed line stands for the observed value $\Omega_{\text{obs}} h^2 \sim 0.12$.



[119], and Jungman et al. [120]

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{n}_i &= C_i - C_A(ii \rightarrow \text{SM})n_i^2 \\ &- \sum_{m_i > m_j} C_A(ii \rightarrow jj)n_i^2 - C_A(ij \rightarrow kv)n_i n_j, \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

where $i, j, k = \chi, \phi_R, N_1$ and C_i is the capture rates in the Sun:

$$C_\chi \simeq 2.5 \times 10^{18} \text{s}^{-1} f(m_\chi) \left(\frac{\hat{f}}{0.3}\right)^2 \left(\frac{\gamma_2}{0.004}\right)^2 \left(\frac{60 \text{ GeV}}{m_\chi}\right)^2 \left(\frac{125 \text{ GeV}}{m_h}\right)^4 \left(\frac{\Omega_\chi h^2}{\Omega_{\text{total}} h^2}\right), \quad (33)$$

$$C_{\phi_R} \simeq 6.2 \times 10^{17} \text{s}^{-1} f(m_{\phi_R}) \left(\frac{\hat{f}}{0.3}\right)^2 \left(\frac{\gamma_5}{0.02}\right)^2 \left(\frac{300 \text{ GeV}}{m_{\phi_R}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{125 \text{ GeV}}{m_h}\right)^4 \left(\frac{\Omega_{\phi_R} h^2}{\Omega_{\text{total}} h^2}\right), \quad (34)$$

$$C_{N_1} = 0, \quad (35)$$

and C_A 's are the annihilation rate:

$$C_A(ij \rightarrow \bullet) = \frac{\langle \sigma(ij \rightarrow \bullet)v \rangle}{V_{ij}},$$

$$V_{ij} = 5.7 \times 10^{27} \left(\frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{\mu_{ij}}\right)^{3/2} \text{cm}^3. \quad (36)$$

Here $f(m_i)$ depends on the form factor of the nucleus, elemental abundance, kinematic suppression of the capture rate, etc., varying $\mathcal{O}(0.01 - 1)$ depending on the DM mass [118–120]. V_{ij} is an effective volume of the Sun with $\mu_{ij} = 2m_i m_j / (m_i + m_j)$ in the non-relativistic limit. In the Equation (32) we have neglected the DM production processes such as $jj \rightarrow ii$ and $jk \rightarrow i\chi$ because the kinetic energy of the produced particle i is much larger than that corresponding to the escape velocity from the Sun, i.e., $\sim 10^3$ km/s [114, 121, 122]. Consequently, the number of the right-hand neutrino DM cannot increase in the Sun, and hence the semi-annihilation process, $\phi_R \chi \rightarrow N_1 \nu$, is the only neutrino

production process ³, where its reaction rate as a function of t is given by $\Gamma(\phi_R\chi \rightarrow N\nu; t) = C_A(\phi_R\chi \rightarrow N_1\nu)n_{\phi_R}(t)n_\chi(t)$.

Figure 9 shows the m_{ϕ_R} dependence of the neutrino production rate today $\Gamma(\phi_R\chi \rightarrow N\nu; t_0)$, where $t_0 = 1.45 \times 10^{17}$ s is the age of the Sun, for the same parameter space as in **Figure 7** (**Figure 9**, left) and in **Figure 8** (**Figure 9**, right). The hatched region is excluded by perturbativity. Arrows indicate the excluded regions by the direct detection experiments. For $m_{\phi_R} \gtrsim M_1$ where the relic abundance of N_1 dominates that of ϕ_R , the neutrino production rate decreases since the capture rate of the ϕ_R becomes small. As we can see from **Figure 5** a resonance effect for the s -channel annihilation process can be achieved if $m_{\eta_R^0} \simeq m_{\phi_R} + m_\chi$. Then the smaller neutrino mass difference $m_{\eta_R^0} - (m_{\phi_R} + m_\chi)$ gives the larger neutrino production rate. For the case of $m_{\eta_R^0} - (m_{\phi_R} + m_\chi) = 1$ GeV, the rate $\Gamma(\phi_R\chi \rightarrow N\nu; t_0)$ reaches about 10^{18} s^{-1} at $m_{\phi_R} \simeq 290$ GeV for $M_1 = 300$ GeV and $4 \times 10^{17} \text{ s}^{-1}$ at $m_{\phi_R} \simeq 490$ GeV for $M_1 = 500$ GeV, respectively.

The upper limits on the DM $\text{DM} \rightarrow \text{XX}'$ from the Sun are given by IceCube experiment [123]. For instance, the upper limit on the annihilation rate of the DM of 250 (500) GeV into W^+W^- is 1.13×10^{21} (2.04×10^{20}) s^{-1} and that into $\tau^+\tau^-$ is 5.99×10^{20} (7.96×10^{19}) s^{-1} , which is at least 10^2 times larger than the rate $\Gamma(\nu)$ shown in **Figure 9**. Note however that the energy spectrum of the neutrino flux produced by the W or τ decay is different from the monochromatic neutrino. With an increasing resolution of energy and angle the chance for the observation of the semi-annihilation and hence of a multicomponent nature of DM can increase.

4. MODEL B

Neutrinos have always played consequential roles in cosmology (see [124], and also [125] and references therein). While they play a role as hot dark matter, the mechanism of their mass

³There are also neutrinos having continuous energy spectrum from the decay of SM particles produced by the standard annihilation. The upper bounds for the production rates of the SM particles are given in Agrawal et al. [121], Andreas et al. [122], and Aartsen et al. [123].

generation is directly connected to cosmological problems such as baryon asymmetry of the Universe [126] and dark matter [10–36, 39–48]. Recent cosmological observations with increasing accuracy [88, 127–129] provide useful hints on how to extend the neutrino sector. Here we propose an extension of the neutrino sector such that the tensions among recent different cosmological observations can be alleviated. The tensions have emerged since the first Planck result [88] in the Hubble constant H_0 and in the density variance σ_8 in spheres of radius $8h^{-1}$ Mpc: The Planck values of $1/H_0$ and σ_8 are slightly larger than those obtained from the observations of the local Universe such as Cepheid variables [128] and the Canada-France- Hawaii Telescope Lensing Survey [130], respectively. The Planck galaxy cluster counts [131] and also the Sloan Digital Sky Survey data [127] yield a smaller σ_8 .

It has been recently suggested [131–139] that these tensions can be alleviated if the number N_{eff} of the relativistic species in the young Universe is slightly larger than the standard value 3.046 and the mass of the extra relativistic species is of $\mathcal{O}(0.1)$ eV [139]. Here we suggest a radiative generation mechanism of the neutrino mass, which is directly connected to the existence of a stable DM particle and also a non-zero $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} = N_{\text{eff}} - 3.046$.

The matter content of the model is shown in **Table 2**. It is a slight modification of the model A: χ in this model is a Majorana fermion. The $Z_2 \times Z'_2 \times L'$ -invariant Yukawa sector (the quark sector is suppressed) is described by the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_Y = Y_{ij}^e H^\dagger L_i l_{Rj}^c + Y_{ij}^v L_i \epsilon \eta N_j + Y_{ij}^X N_i \chi_j \phi - \frac{1}{2} M_{\chi k} \chi_k \chi_k + h.c. , \tag{37}$$

where $i, j, k = 1, 2, 3$, and we have assumed without loss of generality that the χ mass term is diagonal. We also assume that Y_{ij}^e have only diagonal elements. The most general renormalizable form of the $Z_2 \times Z'_2 \times L'$ -invariant scalar potential is given by

$$\begin{aligned} V_\lambda = & \lambda_1 (H^\dagger H)^2 + \lambda_2 (\eta^\dagger \eta)^2 + \lambda_3 (H^\dagger H)(\eta^\dagger \eta) + \lambda_4 (H^\dagger \eta)(\eta^\dagger H) \\ & + \frac{\lambda_5}{2} [(H^\dagger \eta)^2 + h.c.] \\ & + \gamma_2 (H^\dagger H)|\phi|^2 + \gamma_3 (\eta^\dagger \eta)|\phi|^2 + \gamma_4 |\phi|^4, \end{aligned} \tag{38}$$

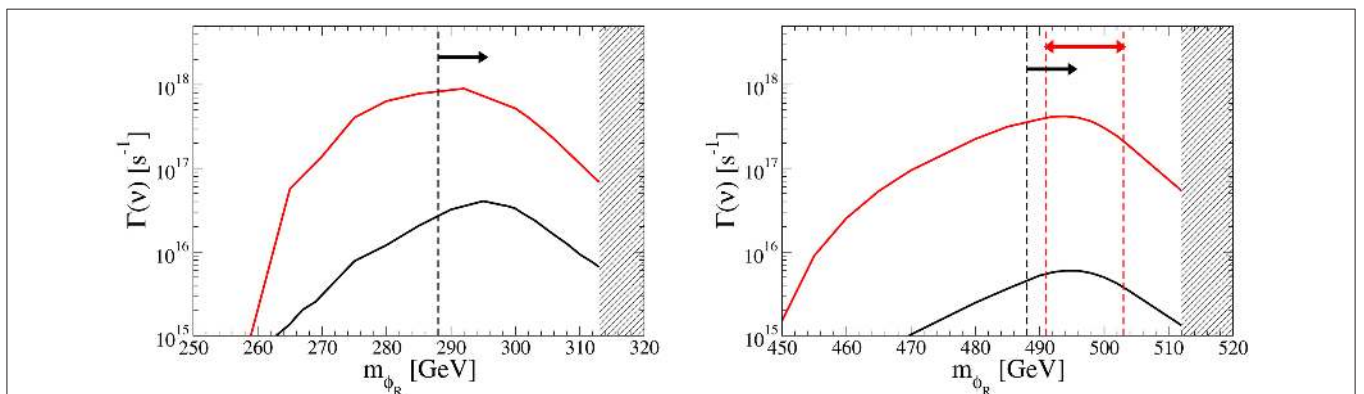


FIGURE 9 | The neutrino production rate $\Gamma(\nu) = \Gamma(\phi_R\chi \rightarrow N\nu; t_0)$ in the Sun against the ϕ_R DM mass for $M_1 = 300$ GeV (**Left**) and 500 GeV (**Right**). The parameter space, as well as the meaning of colors of the lines in the left and right panel, are the same as in **Figures 7, 8**, respectively. The hatched region is excluded by perturbativity. Arrows indicate the excluded regions by the direct detection experiments.

TABLE 2 | The matter content of the model B and the corresponding quantum numbers.

Field	Statistics	$SU(2)_L$	$U(1)_Y$	Z_2	Z'_2	L'
$L = (\nu_L, l_L)$	F	2	-1/2	+	+	1
ν_R^c	F	1	1	+	+	-1
N	F	1	0	-	+	-1
$H = (H^+, H^0)$	B	2	1/2	+	+	0
$\eta = (\eta^+, \eta^0)$	B	2	1/2	-	+	0
χ	F	1	0	+	-	0
ϕ	B	1	0	-	-	1

and the mass terms are

$$V_m = m_1^2 H^\dagger H + m_2^2 \eta^\dagger \eta + m_3^2 |\phi|^2 - \frac{m_4^2}{2} [\phi^2 + (\phi^*)^2], \quad (39)$$

where the m_4 term in Equation (39) breaks L' softly. The scalar fields H , η and ϕ are defined in Equation (10). Since we assume that the discrete symmetry $Z_2 \times Z'_2$ is unbroken, the scalar fields above do not mix with other, so that their tree-level masses can be simply expressed:

$$m_{\eta^\pm}^2 = m_2^2 + \lambda_3 v_h^2/2, \quad (40)$$

$$m_{\eta_R^0}^2 = m_2^2 + (\lambda_3 + \lambda_4 + \lambda_5) v_h^2/2, \quad (41)$$

$$m_{\eta_I^0}^2 = m_2^2 + (\lambda_3 + \lambda_4 - \lambda_5) v_h^2/2, \quad (42)$$

$$m_{\phi_R}^2 = m_3^2 - m_4^2 + \gamma_2 v_h^2/2, \quad (43)$$

$$m_{\phi_I}^2 = m_3^2 + m_4^2 + \gamma_2 v_h^2/2. \quad (44)$$

The two-loop diagram for the neutrino mass is shown in **Figure 10**. Because of the soft breaking of the dimension two operator ϕ^2 , the propagator between ϕ and ϕ can exist, generating the mass of N :

$$(M_N)_{ij} = \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \sum_k (Y_{ik}^\chi)^* (Y_{jk}^\chi)^* M_{\chi k} \left[\frac{m_{\phi\phi_R}^2}{m_{\phi\phi_R}^2 - M_{\chi k}^2} \ln \left(\frac{m_{\phi\phi_R}}{M_{\chi k}} \right)^2 - \frac{m_{\phi_I}^2}{m_{\phi_I}^2 - M_{\chi k}^2} \ln \left(\frac{m_{\phi_I}}{M_{\chi k}} \right)^2 \right]. \quad (45)$$

The 3×3 two-loop neutrino mass matrix \mathcal{M}_ν is given by

$$(\mathcal{M}_\nu)_{ij} = \frac{1}{(32\pi^2)^2} \sum_{l,k} Y_{il}^\nu Y_{jm}^\nu (Y_{lk}^\chi)^* (Y_{mk}^\chi)^* M_{\chi k} (m_{\eta_I^0}^2 - m_{\eta_R^0}^2) \int_0^\infty dx \frac{1}{(x + m_{\eta_R^0}^2)^2 (x + m_{\eta_I^0}^2)} \int_0^1 dz \ln \left[\frac{zM_{\chi k}^2 + (1-z)m_{\phi_I}^2 + z(1-z)x}{zM_{\chi k}^2 + (1-z)m_{\phi_R}^2 + z(1-z)x} \right]. \quad (46)$$

We can also use (45) to obtain an approximate formula for the neutrino mass

$$(\mathcal{M}_\nu)_{ij} \sim \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \sum_k Y_{ik}^\nu Y_{jk}^\nu M_k \ln \frac{m_{\eta_R^0}^2}{m_{\eta_I^0}^2}, \quad Y_{jk}^\nu = Y_{jl}^\nu U_{lk}^N, \quad (47)$$

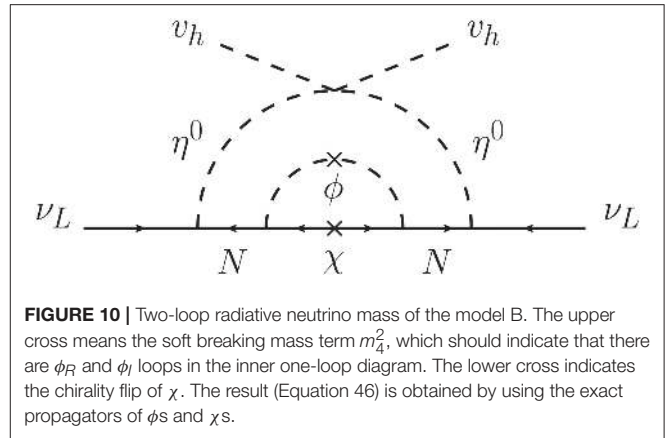


FIGURE 10 | Two-loop radiative neutrino mass of the model B. The upper cross means the soft breaking mass term m_4^2 , which should indicate that there are ϕ_R and ϕ_I loops in the inner one-loop diagram. The lower cross indicates the chirality flip of χ . The result (Equation 46) is obtained by using the exact propagators of ϕ s and χ s.

where U^N is the unitary matrix diagonalizing the mass matrix $(M_N)_{ij}$ with the eigenvalues M_k and the mass eigenstates N'_k , and we have used the fact that $M_k \ll m_{\eta_R^0} \simeq m_{\eta_I^0}$. In the following discussions we choose the theory parameters so as to be consistent with the global fit [1]:

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 = 7.50_{-0.17}^{+0.19} \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2,$$

$$\Delta m_{31}^2 = 2.524_{-0.040}^{+0.039} (-2.514_{-0.041}^{+0.038}) \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2,$$

$$\sin^2 \theta_{12} = 0.306 \pm 0.012, \quad \sin^2 \theta_{23} = 0.441_{-0.021}^{+0.027} (0.587_{-0.024}^{+0.020}),$$

$$\sin^2 \theta_{13} = 0.02166 \pm 0.00075 (0.02179 \pm 0.00076), \quad (48)$$

where the values in the parenthesis are those for the inverted mass hierarchy.

4.1. Dark Radiation

According to the discussion at the beginning of this section, we identify the lightest right-handed neutrino with dark radiation contributing to ΔN_{eff} . Without loss of generality we may assume it is N'_1 with mass ≈ 0.24 eV. The upper bound on the mass is obtained together with $3.10 < N_{\text{eff}} < 3.42$ in Feng et al. [139]. To simplify the situation, we require that the heavier right-handed neutrinos N'_2 and N'_3 decay above the decoupling temperature T_N^{dec} of N'_1 . Their decay widths are given by

$$\langle \Gamma(N'_{2(3)} \rightarrow N'_1 \nu \bar{\nu}) + \Gamma(N'_{2(3)} \rightarrow \bar{N}'_1 \nu \bar{\nu}) \rangle = \frac{1}{3072\pi^3} \frac{M_{2(3)}^5}{m_{\eta^0}^4} \sum_{i,j} |Y_{i2(3)}^\nu|^2 |Y_{j1}^\nu|^2, \quad (49)$$

⁴Within a similar framework of radiative seesaw mechanism, the lightest right-handed neutrino has been regarded as stable warm dark matter in Aristizabal Sierra et al. [62]. In the models proposed in Kajiyama et al. [37] and Baek et al. [38], the topology of the two loop to generate the neutrino mass is basically the same as that of **Figure 10**. But the matter content of our model is much simpler; we have only two additional extra fields compared with the one-loop model of Ma [11], while in these papers five and four additional ones have to be introduced. Apart from this difference, they have not considered the lightest right-handed neutrino as dark radiation. In Baek et al. [38], however, the Nambu-Goldstone boson associated with the spontaneous breaking of $U(1)_{B-L}$ is regarded as dark radiation.

where we have used $m_{\eta^0} = m_{\eta_R^0} \simeq m_{\eta_L^0}$ and neglected the mass of N'_1 and ν_L s. Therefore, N'_2 and N'_3 can decay above T_N^{dec} if

$$\langle \Gamma(N'_{2(3)} \rightarrow N'_1 \nu \bar{\nu}) + \Gamma(N'_{2(3)} \rightarrow \bar{N}'_1 \nu \bar{\nu}) \rangle \gtrsim H(T_N^{\text{dec}}) \quad (50)$$

is satisfied, where $H(T)$ is the Hubble constant at temperature T , and $g_{*s}(T)$ is the relativistic degrees of freedom at T . To obtain the effective number of the light relativistic species N_{eff} [125, 140], we have to compute the energy density of N'_1 at the time of the photon decoupling, where we denote the decoupling temperature of γ , ν_L and N'_1 by $T_{\gamma 0}$, T_v^{dec} and T_N^{dec} , respectively. Further, $T_{\nu 0}$ (T_{N0}) stands for the temperature of ν_L (N'_1) at the decoupling of γ . The most important fact is that the entropy per comoving volume is conserved, so that sa^3 is constant, where s is the entropy density, and a is the scale factor. The effective number N_{eff} follows from $\rho_r(T_{\gamma 0}) = (\pi^2/15)(1 + (7/8)(4/11)^{4/3}N_{\text{eff}}) T_{\gamma 0}^4$ and is given by Kolb and Turner [125], Steigman [140], Anchordoqui and Goldberg [141], Steigman et al. [142], Anderhalden et al. [143, 145], Anchordoqui et al. [144], and Weinberg [146]

$$N_{\text{eff}} = 3.046 + \left(\frac{g_{*s}(T_v^{\text{dec}})}{g_{*s}(T_N^{\text{dec}})} \right)^{4/3} \quad (51)$$

for $N_\nu = 3$, where ρ_r is the energy density of relativistic species. Since $g_{*s}(T_v^{\text{dec}}) = (11/2) + (7/4)N_\nu = 10.75$, we need to compute the decoupling temperature T_N^{dec} to obtain $g_{*s}(T_N^{\text{dec}})$ and hence N_{eff} . For $0.05 \lesssim \Delta N_{\text{eff}} \lesssim 0.38$ [139] we find $101 \gtrsim g_{*s}(T_N^{\text{dec}}) \gtrsim 22$ and also $T_N^{\text{dec}} \simeq 165$ MeV to obtain $g_{*s}(T_N^{\text{dec}}) \simeq 30$ (which gives $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} = 0.25$). To estimate T_N^{dec} , we compute the annihilation rate $\Gamma_N(T)$ of N'_1 at T , which is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_N(T) &= n_N(T) \left[\langle \sigma_{N'_1 N'_1 \rightarrow \nu_L \nu_L} \rangle(T) + \langle \sigma_{N'_1 \bar{N}'_1 \rightarrow \nu_L \bar{\nu}_L} \rangle(T) \right] \\ &= \frac{\pi^5}{9\zeta(3)} \left(\frac{7}{120} \right)^2 \sum_{ij} |Y_{i1}^{\nu}|^2 |Y_{j1}^{\nu}|^2 \frac{T^5}{(m_{\eta^0})^4}, \quad (52) \end{aligned}$$

where $\zeta(3) \simeq 1.202 \dots$ and $n_N(T)$ is the number density of N'_1 . Then we calculate T_N^{dec} from $\Gamma_N(T_N^{\text{dec}}) = H(T_N^{\text{dec}})$, which can be rewritten as⁵

$$\left(\frac{T_N^{\text{dec}}}{164.2 \text{ MeV}} \right)^3 \left(\frac{29.9}{g_{*s}(T_N^{\text{dec}})} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \left(\frac{m_{\eta^0}}{200 \text{ GeV}} \frac{0.0409}{Y^\nu} \right)^4 \quad (53)$$

with $(Y^\nu)^2 = \sum_i |Y_{i1}^{\nu}|^2$.

It turns out that $M_{2,3} \sim \mathcal{O}(10)$ GeV to obtain $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \sim 0.25$ while satisfying $M_1 \lesssim 0.24$ eV. To see this, we first find that

$$\left(\frac{m_{\eta^0}^2}{\sum_i |Y_{i1}^{\nu}|^2} \right) \sim 2.4 \times 10^7 \text{ GeV}^2, \quad (54)$$

which follows from Equation (53) for $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \sim 0.25$. Further we can estimate a part of Equation (49) from the neutrino mass Equation (47) with $M_\nu \sim 0.05$ eV:

$$\frac{M_{2(3)}}{m_{\eta^0}^2} \sum_i |Y_{i2(3)}^{\nu}|^2 \sim 2.7 \times 10^{-15} |\lambda_5|^{-1} \text{ GeV}^{-1}, \quad (55)$$

where we have used $m_{\eta_R^0}^2 - m_{\eta_L^0}^2 \simeq \lambda_5 \nu_h^2$. Then using Equation (50) with $T \simeq 165$ MeV (which corresponds to $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \simeq 0.25$), we obtain

$$M_{2,3} \lesssim 17 |\lambda_5|^{1/4} \text{ GeV}. \quad (56)$$

Note that this is an order of magnitude estimate, and indeed $M_{2(3)}$ can not be smaller than 10 GeV to satisfy $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \lesssim 0.38$.

Since we require that $M_1 \lesssim 0.24$ eV, there exists a huge hierarchy in the right-handed neutrino mass. This has a consequence on the Yukawa coupling matrix Y^ν : To obtain realistic neutrino masses with the mixing parameters given in Equation (48),

$$|Y_{i1}^{\nu}| \gg |Y_{i2(3)}^{\nu}| \quad (57)$$

has to be satisfied. Note that only $|Y_{i1}^{\nu}|$ enters into the thermally averaged annihilation cross section of N'_1 , as we can see from Equation (52). Because of $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \lesssim 0.38$, on the other hand, $|Y_{i1}^{\nu}|$ can not be made arbitrarily large. The hierarchy (Equation 57) has effects on the LFV radiative decays of the type $l_i \rightarrow l_j \gamma$, so that the LFV decays and ΔN_{eff} are related, as we will see below. In the limit $m_j \ll m_i$, where m_i and m_j stand for the mass of l_i and l_j , respectively, the ratio of the partial decay width $\hat{B}(l_i \rightarrow l_j \gamma) = \Gamma(l_i \rightarrow l_j \gamma) / \Gamma(l_i \rightarrow \nu_i e \bar{\nu}_e)$ can be written as Ma and Raidal [51]

$$\hat{B}(l_i \rightarrow l_j \gamma) = \left(\frac{\alpha}{768\pi G_F^2} \right) \frac{\left| \sum_k (Y_{ik}^{\nu})^* Y_{jk}^{\nu} \right|^2}{m_{\eta^\pm}^4}. \quad (58)$$

Here m_{η^\pm} and Y_{ik}^{ν} are defined in Equations (40) and (47), respectively, and the current upper bounds on the branching fraction of these processes [107, 148] require

$$\mu \rightarrow e\gamma : \left| \sum_k (Y_{2k}^{\nu})^* Y_{1k}^{\nu} \right| \lesssim 2.5 \times 10^{-4} \left(\frac{m_{\eta^\pm}}{220 \text{ GeV}} \right)^2, \quad (59)$$

$$\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma : \left| \sum_k (Y_{3k}^{\nu})^* Y_{2k}^{\nu} \right| \lesssim 8.1 \times 10^{-2} \left(\frac{m_{\eta^\pm}}{220 \text{ GeV}} \right)^2, \quad (60)$$

$$\tau \rightarrow e\gamma : \left| \sum_k (Y_{3k}^{\nu})^* Y_{1k}^{\nu} \right| \lesssim 7.0 \times 10^{-2} \left(\frac{m_{\eta^\pm}}{220 \text{ GeV}} \right)^2. \quad (61)$$

From Equation (59) we find that Y_{31}^{ν} is not constrained by the stringent constraint from $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$, which will be crucial in obtaining a realistic N_{eff} without having any contradiction with Equations (59–61). Furthermore, if Y_{31}^{ν} is large compared with others and the hierarchy (Equation 57) is satisfied, the ratio $R =$

⁵We use the relation between T and g_{*s} given in Husdal [147] to solve Equation (53) for T_N^{dec} .

$\hat{B}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma)\hat{B}(\tau \rightarrow e\gamma)/\hat{B}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma)$ is $\sim |Y_{31}^{\nu}|^2$, and from the same reason ΔN_{eff} depends mostly on Y_{31}^{ν} . A benchmark set of the input parameters is given by

$$Y_{ij}^{\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} -0.0382 & 2.510 \times 10^{-5} & 3.349 \times 10^{-5} \\ 0.00129 & -1.183 \times 10^{-6} & 1.081 \times 10^{-4} \\ 0.0154 & -7.723 \times 10^{-5} & 9.334 \times 10^{-5} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (62)$$

$$M_1 = 0.147 \text{ eV}, \quad M_2 = M_3 = 9.55 \text{ GeV}, \quad (63)$$

$$m_{\eta^\pm} = 220 \text{ GeV}, \quad m_{\eta_R^0} = 200 \text{ GeV}, \quad m_{\eta_I^0} = 207 \text{ GeV}, \quad (64)$$

which yields

$$\sin^2 \theta_{12} = 0.305, \quad \sin^2 \theta_{23} = 0.441, \quad \sin^2 \theta_{13} = 0.0213, \quad (65)$$

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 = 7.50 \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^2, \quad \Delta m_{31}^2 = 0.00248 \text{ GeV}^2, \quad (66)$$

$$\hat{B}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) = 2.30 \times 10^{-14}, \quad \hat{B}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma) = 3.75 \times 10^{-15}, \\ \hat{B}(\tau \rightarrow e\gamma) = 3.31 \times 10^{-12}, \quad (67)$$

where we have assumed that Y_{ij}^{ν} are all real so that there is no CP phase. These values are consistent with Equations (48), (59–61). With the same input parameters we find: The lhs of (50) = 5.46×10^{-21} (1.78×10^{-20}) GeV for N_2 (N_3), where the rhs is $H = 2.10 \times 10^{-20}$ GeV with $T_N^{\text{dec}} = 166.8$ MeV and $g_{*s}(T_N^{\text{dec}}) = 30.83$, and $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} = 0.245$.

In **Figure 11** we plot $R^{1/2}$ against ΔN_{eff} with $m_{\eta^\pm} = 240$ GeV and $m_{\eta_R^0} = 220$ GeV, where we have varied $m_{\eta_I^0}$ between 221 and 227 GeV. In the black region of **Figure 11** the differences of the neutrino mass squared and the neutrino mixing angles are consistent with Equation (48) for the normal hierarchy, and the constraints $M_1 < 0.24$ eV, (Equations 50 and 59–61) are satisfied. If ΔN_{eff} and $R^{1/2}$ would depend on Y_{31}^{ν} only, we would obtain a line in the $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} - R^{1/2}$ plane. The Y_{11}^{ν} and Y_{21}^{ν} dependence in $R^{1/2}$ cancels, but this is not the case for ΔN_{eff} . This is the reason

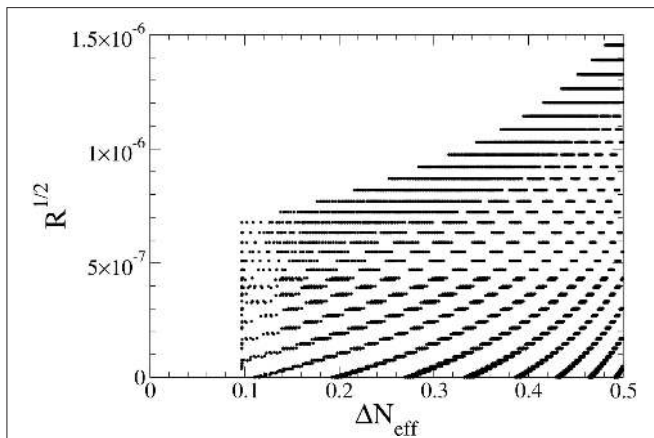


FIGURE 11 | $R^{1/2}$ against ΔN_{eff} with $m_{\eta^\pm} = 240$ GeV and $m_{\eta_R^0} = 220$ GeV, where $m_{\eta_I^0}$ is varied between 221 and 227 GeV, and $R = \hat{B}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma) \hat{B}(\tau \rightarrow e\gamma) / \hat{B}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma)$.

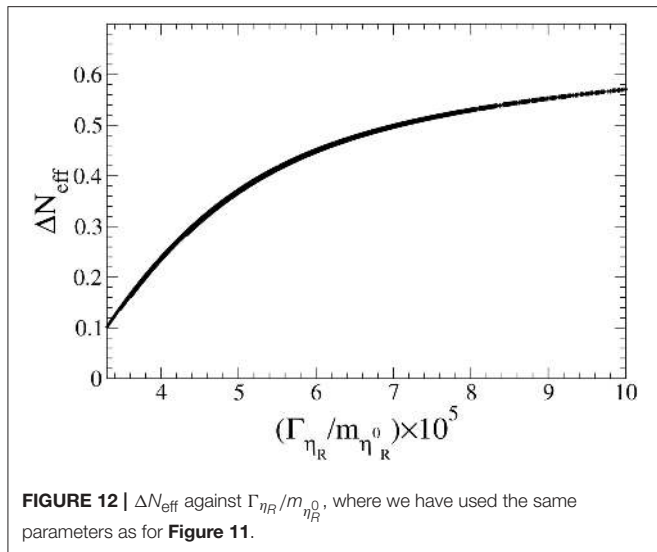
why we have an area instead of a line in **Figure 11**. We see from **Figure 11** that the predicted region for $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \lesssim 0.1$ is absent. The main reason is that we have assumed that $M_2, M_3 \lesssim 16$ GeV. This has also a consequence on the difference between $m_{\eta_R^0}^2$ and $m_{\eta_I^0}^2$, because the mass difference changes the overall scale of the neutrino mass (47). To obtain a larger $M_{2,3}$, we can decrease the mass difference, thereby implying an increase of the degree of fine-tuning. Further, the difference between $m_{\eta_R^0}^2$ and $m_{\eta_I^0}^2$ can not be made arbitrarily large, because it requires a smaller $M_{2,3}$, which due to $H(T) \propto T^2$ in turn implies that the decoupling temperature T_N^{dec} has to decrease to satisfy the constraint [Equation (50)]. A smaller T_N^{dec} , on the other hand, means a larger ΔN_{eff} which is constrained to be below 0.38. This is why $m_{\eta_I^0}$ is varied only in a small interval in **Figure 11**.

Since the current upper bound on $B(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \simeq \hat{B}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma)$ is 4.2×10^{-13} [107], the model B predicts

$$[B(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma)B(\tau \rightarrow e\gamma)]^{1/2} \simeq \left[\frac{\hat{B}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma)}{0.17} \frac{\hat{B}(\tau \rightarrow e\gamma)}{0.18} \right]^{1/2} \\ \lesssim 1.2 \times 10^{-10}, \quad (68)$$

which is about two orders of magnitude smaller than the current experimental bounds [148].

Another consequence of the hierarchy (Equation 57) is that the total decay width of η_R depends on $\sum_{ij} |Y_{ij}^{\nu}|^2$, which is approximately $\sum_i |Y_{i1}^{\nu}|^2$ (we assume that η_R is the lightest among η s). Therefore, ΔN_{eff} is basically a function of the decay width. In **Figure 12** we show ΔN_{eff} against $\Gamma_{\eta_R}/m_{\eta_R^0}$, the decay width of η_R^0 over $m_{\eta_R^0}$, where we have used the same parameters as for **Figure 11**. η_R^0 decays almost 100 percent into neutrinos and dark radiation N'_1 , which is invisible. In contrast to this, η^\pm can decay into a charged lepton and N'_1 , and the decay width over m_{η^\pm} is the same as $\Gamma_{\eta_R}/m_{\eta_R^0}$. Γ_{η_R} should be compared with the decay width for $\eta^\pm \rightarrow W^{+*} \eta_{R,I}^0 \rightarrow ff' N'_1 v$, which is $\sim 10^{-8} m_{\eta^\pm}$ for the same parameter space as for **Figure 12**, where f and f' stand for the SM fermions (except the top quark). Therefore, η^\pm decays almost 100 percent into a charged lepton and missing energy. In Aristizabal Sierra [62], a similar hierarchical spectrum of the right-handed neutrinos in the model of Ma [11] has been assumed (the lightest one has been regarded as a warm dark matter) and collider physics has been discussed. How the inert Higgs bosons can be produced via s -channel exchange of a virtual photon and Z boson [149, 150] is the same, but the decay of the inert Higgs bosons is different because of the hierarchy Equation (57) of the Yukawa coupling constants. As it is mentioned above, the η^\pm decays in the present model almost only into the lightest one N'_1 and a charged lepton. Therefore, the cascade decay of the heavier right-handed neutrinos into charged leptons will not be seen at collider experiments, because they can be produced only as a decay product of η^\pm . The decay width of η^\pm into an individual charged lepton depends of course on the value of Y_{i1}^{ν} . In the parameter space we have scanned we cannot make any definite conclusion on the difference.



4.2. Cold Dark Matter and Its Direct and Indirect Detection

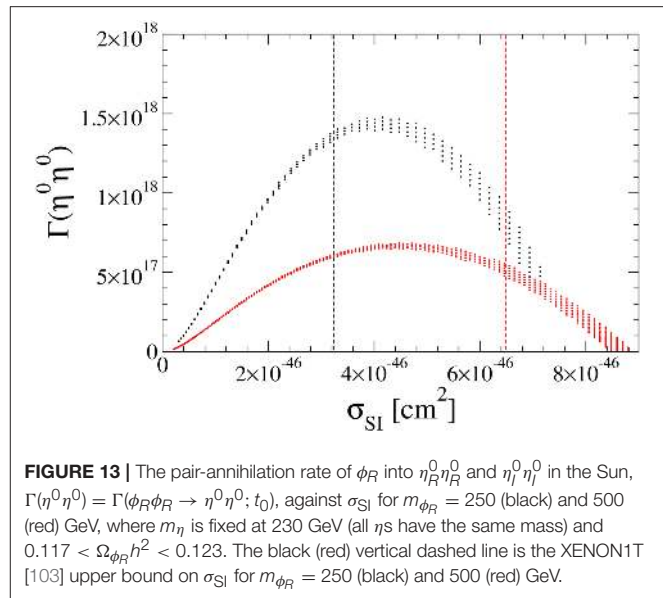
Since the lightest N is dark radiation and the masses of the heavier ones are $\mathcal{O}(10)$ GeV (as we have seen in the previous subsection), $\eta_{R,I}^0$ can not be DM candidates, because they decay into N and ν . So, DM candidates are χ and the lightest component of ϕ ⁶. In the case that η s are lighter than ϕ_R and the lightest component of ϕ (which is assumed to be ϕ_R) is DM, a correct relic abundance $\Omega_{\phi_R} h^2 = 0.1204 \pm 0.0027$ [88] can be easily obtained, because γ_3 for the scalar coupling $(\eta^\dagger \eta)|\phi|^2$ is an unconstrained parameter so far. So, in the following discussion we assume that ϕ_R is DM.

Because of the Higgs portal coupling γ_2 , the direct detection of ϕ_R is possible. The current experimental bound of XENON1T [103] of the spin-independent cross section σ_{SI} off the nucleon requires $|\gamma_2| \lesssim 0.05 \sim 0.14$ for $m_{\phi_R} = 250 \sim 500$ GeV. Since γ_2 is allowed only below an upper bound (which depends on the DM mass m_{ϕ_R}), γ_3 can vary in a certain interval for a given DM mass.

With this remark, we note that the capture rate of DM in the Sun is proportional to σ_{SI} , while its annihilation rate in the Sun is proportional to the thermally averaged annihilation cross section, $\langle \nu \sigma(\phi_R \phi_R \rightarrow \eta^+ \eta^-, \eta_R^0 \eta_R^0, \eta_I^0 \eta_I^0) \rangle$ [110–120]. If a pair of ϕ_R s annihilates into $\eta_R^0 \eta_R^0$ and also $\eta_I^0 \eta_I^0$, a pair of ν_L and $\bar{\nu}_L$ will be produced, which may be observed on the Earth [121, 122]. The signals will look very similar to those coming from W^\pm , which result from DM annihilation. The annihilation rate as a function of time t is given by Jungman et al. [120]

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(\phi_R \phi_R \rightarrow \eta_R^0 \eta_R^0, \eta_I^0 \eta_I^0; t) &= \Gamma(\phi_R \phi_R \rightarrow \eta^0 \eta^0; t) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{C_{\phi_R} C_A(\eta^0 \eta^0)}{C_A(\eta^+ \eta^-) + C_A(\eta^0 \eta^0) + C_A(XX')} \tanh^2 \\ &\quad \left[t \sqrt{(C_A(\eta^+ \eta^-) + C_A(\eta^0 \eta^0) + C_A(XX')) C_{\phi_R}} \right], \end{aligned} \quad (69)$$

⁶Both together can not be DM, because the heavier one decays into N'_i + lighter one.



where C_{ϕ_R} is the capture rate in the Sun,

$$C_{\phi_R} \simeq 1.4 \times 10^{20} f(m_{\phi_R}) \left(\frac{\hat{f}}{0.3} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\gamma_2}{0.1} \right)^2 \left(\frac{200 \text{ GeV}}{m_{\phi_R}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{125 \text{ GeV}}{m_h} \right)^4, \quad (70)$$

and C_A is given by

$$C_A(\bullet) = \left(\frac{\langle \sigma_{\phi_R \phi_R \rightarrow \bullet \nu} \rangle}{5.7 \times 10^{27} \text{ cm}^3} \right) \left(\frac{m_{\phi_R}}{100 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{3/2} s^{-1} \quad \text{with } \bullet = \eta^+ \eta^-, \eta^0 \eta^0, \text{ and } XX'. \quad (71)$$

We have used $f(250 \text{ GeV}) \simeq 0.5$ and $f(500 \text{ GeV}) \simeq 0.2$ [120], and we have assumed that all the η s have the same mass and therefore $C_A(\eta^0 \eta^0) = C_A(\eta^+ \eta^-)$. In **Figure 13** we plot the annihilation rate $\Gamma(\phi_R \phi_R \rightarrow \eta^0 \eta^0; t_0)$ today ($t_0 = 1.45 \times 10^{17}$ s) against σ_{SI} for $m_{\phi_R} = 250$ and 500 GeV with m_η fixed at 230 GeV and $0.117 < \Omega_{\phi_R} h^2 < 0.123$. The vertical dashed lines are the XENON1T upper bound on σ_{SI} [103]. The peak of $\Gamma(\phi_R \phi_R \rightarrow \eta^0 \eta^0; t_0)$ for $m_{\phi_R} = 250$ (500) GeV appears at $\sigma_{\text{SI}} = 4.2$ (4.7) $\times 10^{-46}$ cm^2 and is $\simeq 1.7$ (0.7) $\times 10^{18} \text{ s}^{-1}$, which is two to three orders of magnitude smaller than the upper bound on the DM annihilation rate into W^\pm in the Sun [123].

5. CONCLUSION

We have discussed the extensions of the Ma model by imposing a larger unbroken symmetry $Z_2 \times Z'_2$. Thanks to the symmetry, at least two stable particles exist. We have studied two models, model A and model B, where the stable particles form a multicomponent DM system in the model A, while they are a DM and dark radiation in the model B.

The model A is an extension of the model of Ma such that the lepton-number violating “ λ_5 coupling,” which is $\mathcal{O}(10^{-6})$ to obtain small neutrino masses for $Y^\nu \sim 0.01$, is radiatively generated. Consequently, the neutrino masses are generated at the two-loop level, where the unbroken $Z_2 \times Z_2'$ symmetry acts to forbid the generation of the one-loop mass. Such larger unbroken symmetry implies that the model involves a multi-component DM system. We have considered the case of the three-component DM system: two of them are SM singlet real scalars and the other one is a right-handed neutrino. The DM conversion and semi-annihilation in addition to the standard annihilation are relevant to the DM annihilation processes. We have found that the non-standard processes have a considerable influence on the DM relic abundance. We also have discussed the monochromatic neutrinos from the Sun as the indirect signal of the semi-annihilation of the DM particles. In the cases of one-component DM system of a real scalar boson or of a Majorana fermion the monochromatic neutrino production by the DM annihilation is strongly suppressed due to the chirality of the left-handed neutrino. However, such suppression is absent when DM is a complex scalar boson or a Dirac fermion. Also in a multicomponent DM system, the neutrino production is unsuppressed if it is an allowed process. We have found that the rate for the monochromatic neutrino production in the model A is very small compared with the current IceCUBE [123] sensitivity. However, the resonant effect in the s -channel process of the semi-annihilation can be expected to enhance the rate.

In the model B, the mass of the right-handed neutrinos are produced at the one-loop level. Then the radiative seesaw mechanism works at the two-loop level. Thanks to $Z_2 \times Z_2'$ there exist at least two stable DM particles; a dark radiation N_1^0 with a mass of $\mathcal{O}(1)$ eV and the other one, DM, is the real part of ϕ . The dark radiation contributes to $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} < 1$ such that the

tensions in cosmology that exist among the observations in the local Universe (CMB temperature fluctuations and primordial gravitational fluctuations) can be alleviated. Because of the hierarchy $M_{2,3} \gg T_N^{\text{dec}} \simeq \mathcal{O}(100)$ MeV $\gg M_{N_1} \mathcal{O}(1)$ eV, we are able to relate to the ratio of the lepton flavor violating decays to ΔN_{eff} . The indirect signal of the neutrino from the Sun has also been discussed. It is found that the predicted annihilation rate of the neutrinos is two to three orders of magnitude smaller than the current bound [123]. We have also expressed ΔN_{eff} as a function of the decay width of η_R^0 (which is assumed to be lightest among η s). It decays 100 percent into left- and right-handed neutrinos, where the heavier right-handed neutrinos decay further into dark radiation (the lightest among them). Dark radiation appears as a missing energy in collider experiments. We also have found that η^+ decays 100 percent into a charged lepton and the missing energy. This is a good example in which, through the generation mechanism of the neutrino masses, cosmology and collider physics are closely related.

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