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We use the open quantum systems framework to analyze the MINOS data and perform this analysis considering two different dissipative models. In the first model, the dissipative parameter describes the decoherence effect and in the second, the dissipative parameter describes other dissipative effects including decoherence. With the second model it is possible to study CP violation since we consider Majorana neutrinos. The analysis from the muon neutrino and antineutrino beam assigns different values to all the parameters of the models, but is consistent between them. Assuming that neutrinos are equivalent to antineutrinos, the global analysis presents a nonvanishing Majorana CP phase depending on the energetic parametrization of the dissipative parameter.

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I. INTRODUCTION

The open quantum system can be used in neutrino physics in order to study the dissipative effects and oscillation phenomena [1,2]. In general, one can use the Lindblad master equation to describe the neutrino beam evolution, where together with the oscillation parameters, new parameters arise and indicate how the dissipative effects act in this system [3–6].

Currently, there are some important results in neutrino oscillations, such as the determination of the θ_{13} mixing angle and the results obtained from the neutrino and antineutrino beam by MINOS [7–10]. As is well known, MINOS is a long base line experiment, where the flux of the neutrino peaks at 3 GeV and its beam is mainly characterized by oscillations between $\nu_\mu \leftrightarrow \nu_\tau$ (or $\bar{\nu}_\mu \leftrightarrow \bar{\nu}_\tau$) [9,11,12]. In particular, when we treat oscillation in vacuum, the Lindblad master equation has a simple form and its application is direct [1,2]. If we only assume oscillation between $\nu_\mu \leftrightarrow \nu_\tau$ (or $\bar{\nu}_\mu \leftrightarrow \bar{\nu}_\tau$), the Lindblad master equation is easily adapted to study the MINOS experiment, and this framework does not need to be modified because, in this case, the effective matter potential is not important.

Many models are obtained from the Lindblad master equation when it is used to study neutrino oscillation in vacuum [1]. Notoriously, the model with decoherence effect is the only one of the seven models that adds only one parameter in the oscillation pattern that has really been studied before now [12–22]. All these seven models satisfy the complete positivity [1,3,5,6]. However, it is clear that there are other models that are very interesting [1]. Here, we present a data analysis from the MINOS experiment, where

we use two dissipative models and also the standard oscillation model.

The analysis with standard oscillation model is introduced in order to verify if our simple approach is enough to understand the MINOS results. Then, we present the analysis using the first dissipative model that adds decoherence in the neutrino oscillation, and after that we introduce the analysis using the second dissipative model that includes other dissipative effects in addition to the decoherence effect. Interestingly enough, if we consider Majorana neutrinos, the second model presents a dependence on the CP phase in its survival probability even in two families.

Our results show that the analysis from the muon neutrino and antineutrino beam assigns different values to all the parameters of the all models [9,10,23]. However, presently there is consistency between these values, and CPT violation seems unlikely. Then, assuming neutrinos are equivalent to antineutrinos, we present the global analysis and, depending on the energetic parametrization of the dissipative parameter, the Majorana CP phase has a value of nonzero.

In the course of the present study, we show that the second model fits very well the MINOS data, and in some cases, even assuming that ν_μ is equivalent to $\bar{\nu}_\mu$, CP violation can occur depending on the energetic parametrization of the dissipative parameter and if the oscillation probabilities of neutrino and antineutrino are always different from each other.

II. FORMALISM

Quantum dissipation occurs in all quantum systems and when any quantum system is written as a state superposition, the dissipation effects become more evident. A well-known example of this effect is decoherence, but there are other important dissipative effects. From the MINOS

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data we want to quantify and bound some of these quantum dissipative effects. We follow the approach introduced by Ref. [1], where only one more parameter was included in the neutrino oscillation theory. In particular, we are interested in two specific models. The two family neutrino survival probabilities of these models are written as

$$P_{\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu}^{C1} = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin^2(2\theta) \left[1 - e^{-\gamma_0 x} \cos\left(\frac{\Delta m^2}{2E} x\right) \right] \quad (1)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{P}_{\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu}^{C7} = & \frac{1}{2} + e^{-\gamma_0 x} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} - \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta m^2}{4E} x\right) \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{\gamma_0 E}{2\Delta m^2} \sin \phi \sin(4\theta) \sin\left(\frac{\Delta m^2}{2E} x\right) \right\}, \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

where $\Delta m^2 = m_3^2 - m_2^2$ is the mass square difference, θ is the mixing angle, γ_0 is the dissipative effect, and x is the distance between the source and the detector. Note that the γ_0 parameter has a different meaning in Eqs. (1) and (2). In Eq. (1), the γ_0 describes decoherence, and in Eq. (2) it describes a more general quantum dissipative effect, as was discussed in Ref. [1]. Furthermore, we are following the same notation of [1], where superscript *Case 1* and *Case 7* refer to *Case 1* and *Case 7*, which were analyzed in Ref. [1], and \tilde{P} means that survival probability is obtained when $\gamma_0^n \rightarrow 0$ to $n \geq 2$.

As usual, we will assume an energy dependence of γ_0 by means of a power-law written as

$$\gamma_0 = \gamma \left(\frac{E}{E_0} \right)^n, \quad (3)$$

where $n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2$. The energy scale, E_0 , modulates the magnitude expected for the dissipation effects. This procedure is performed because the effects are included phenomenologically, and in the present moment, it is not possible to determine if these effects are due to quantum gravity [24,25] or to a hypothetic medium with reservoir behavior as is thought via the open quantum system approach [5,6,26–28].

We also consider the usual survival probability that can be obtained directly from Eqs. (1) and (2) when we lead $\gamma_0 \rightarrow 0$, thus, it is written as

$$P_{\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu} = 1 - \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta m^2}{4E} x\right). \quad (4)$$

In order to clearly see the dissipative effects acting in the neutrino propagation, we will use a very simple approach to perform the analysis. We will use only the ratio to no oscillation that can be obtained supposing [29]

$$P_{\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu} = \frac{N_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{obs}}}{N_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{no-osc}}}, \quad (5)$$

where $N_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{obs}}$ and $N_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{no-osc}}$ are, respectively, the number of observed ν_μ events and the number of expected ν_μ events in the absence of oscillations. From the muon neutrino beam, we assume the ratio to no oscillation that can be obtained by means of Ref. [12] in which we take the superior error bar as the probability uncertainty. The ratio to no oscillation from the muon antineutrino beam is obtained in Ref. [10], where using Eq. (5) we find this ratio and define the probability uncertainty as

$$\Delta P_{\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu} = \frac{\sqrt{N_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{obs}} + \alpha}}{N_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{no-osc}}}. \quad (6)$$

In this case, we assume also that the superior error bars are $N_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{obs}}$ uncertainty. So, α is a factor that reflects the systematic uncertainty obtained by mean of the difference between $N_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{obs}}$ data uncertainty and $N_{\nu_\mu}^{\text{no-osc}}$ statistic uncertainty.

In order to improve our analysis, we calculate the mean value of the survival probabilities, Eqs. (1), (2), and (4), in each energy range where a bin energy was defined. Furthermore, we consider, for sake of simplicity, the following definition for χ^2 function,

$$\chi^2 = \sum_i \frac{(P_{\text{exp}}^i - P_{\text{theo}}^i)^2}{\sigma_i^2}, \quad (7)$$

where P_{exp}^i is the data obtained using the Eq. (6), P_{theo}^i is the theoretical survival probability, and σ is the uncertainty defined in Eq. (6). We also define the global χ_{glob}^2 as

$$\chi_{\text{glob}}^2 = \chi_\nu^2 + \chi_{\bar{\nu}}^2, \quad (8)$$

Following this, we take into account in our analysis that neutrinos can be equivalent to antineutrinos, and thus the dissipative effect must happen in both channels.

III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

We start the analysis considering the standard oscillation model to verify if the approach introduced before yields

TABLE I. The values obtained from the analysis of ν_μ , $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ and global hypothesis, ν_μ^g . The values to ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ agree at 68% C.L. with the MINOS Collaboration [12,30].

| Standard | ν_μ | $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ | ν_μ^g |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| $\Delta m^2 (10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2)$ | $2.34_{-0.09}^{+0.09}$ | $2.71_{-0.53}^{+0.41}$ | $2.36_{-0.15}^{+0.14}$ |
| $\sin^2(2\theta)$ | $0.92_{-0.04}^{+0.05}$ | $0.94_{-0.16}$ | $0.92_{-0.07}^{+0.06}$ |
| χ^2 | 19.48 | 19.12 | 39.25 |

results compatible to the MINOS results [12,30]. As we can see in Table I, our results agree at 68% C.L. with the values obtained from the MINOS Collaboration to both neutrino and antineutrino parameters. The MINOS Collaboration indicates that the oscillation parameter values are $\Delta m^2 = 2.32^{+0.12}_{-0.08}$, $\sin^2(2\theta) = 1.00_{-0.06}$, $\Delta \bar{m}^2 = 2.62^{+0.40}_{-0.37}$, $\sin^2(2\bar{\theta}) = 0.95^{+0.11}_{-0.12}$ [12,30].

The analysis from the neutrinos and antineutrinos shows consistency [30], but the values for each parameter are different from each other. Then, we perform a global analysis supposing neutrinos are equivalents to antineutrinos, and the results can be seen in the Table I.

As was expected, the oscillation parameters tend to ν_μ values when the global hypothesis is used.

TABLE II. The values obtained from the analysis of ν_μ , $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ and global hypothesis, ν_μ^g to the *Case 1* and *Case 7* models. The oscillation parameter values obtained with the *Case 1* model agree at 68% C. L. with the values presented by the MINOS Collaboration [12,30]. The values obtained with the *Case 7* model have the same agreement with the MINOS Collaboration only when $n > -2$. The superscript asterisk on values of the Majorana CP phase indicates that there is not significant sensitivity for this parameter.

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|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Case 1: ν_μ | $n = -2$ | $n = -1$ | $n = 0$ | $n = 1$ | $n = 2$ |
| $\Delta m^2(10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2)$ | $2.30^{+0.19}_{-0.16}$ | $2.22^{+0.22}_{-0.09}$ | $2.24^{+0.19}_{-0.14}$ | $2.27^{+0.17}_{-0.15}$ | $2.34^{+0.15}_{-0.16}$ |
| $\sin^2(2\theta)$ | $0.95_{-0.09}$ | $1.00_{-0.12}$ | $0.98_{-0.09}$ | $0.96_{-0.07}$ | $0.92_{-0.06}$ |
| $\gamma(10^{-14} \text{ eV})$ | $3.72^{+17.81}$ | $7.18^{+7.16}$ | $2.75^{+2.63}_{-2.65}$ | $1.20^{+0.45}_{-0.44}$ | $0.05^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$ |
| χ^2 | 19.44 | 18.90 | 17.64 | 15.66 | 17.50 |
| Case 1: $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ | $n = -2$ | $n = -1$ | $n = 0$ | $n = 1$ | $n = 2$ |
| $\Delta m^2(10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2)$ | $2.71^{+0.41}_{-0.56}$ | $2.71^{+0.41}_{-0.55}$ | $2.70^{+0.37}_{-0.66}$ | $2.71^{+0.41}_{-0.53}$ | $2.71^{+0.41}_{-0.53}$ |
| $\sin^2(2\theta)$ | $0.94_{-0.16}$ | $0.94_{-0.16}$ | $0.93_{-0.12}$ | $0.94_{-0.16}$ | $0.94_{-0.16}$ |
| $\gamma(10^{-14} \text{ eV})$ | $0^{+27.61}$ | $0^{+20.53}$ | $4.02^{+6.70}$ | $0.01^{+0.03}$ | $0.01^{+0.03}$ |
| χ^2 | 19.12 | 19.12 | 18.81 | 19.06 | 19.06 |
| Case 1: ν_μ^g | $n = -2$ | $n = -1$ | $n = 0$ | $n = 1$ | $n = 2$ |
| $\Delta m^2(10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2)$ | $2.32^{+0.19}_{-0.15}$ | $2.24^{+0.23}_{-0.09}$ | $2.25^{+0.18}_{-0.13}$ | $2.36^{+0.15}_{-0.15}$ | $2.35^{+0.15}_{-0.15}$ |
| $\sin^2(2\theta)$ | $0.95_{-0.09}$ | $1.00_{-0.13}$ | $0.98_{-0.08}$ | $0.92^{+0.07}_{-0.06}$ | $0.92^{+0.06}_{-0.07}$ |
| $\gamma(10^{-14} \text{ eV})$ | $3.64^{+16.65}$ | $6.87^{+6.61}$ | $3.10^{+2.37}_{-2.49}$ | $0.01^{+0.03}$ | $0.03^{+0.02}$ |
| χ^2 | 39.21 | 38.81 | 37.07 | 39.18 | 38.61 |
| Case 7: ν_μ | $n = -2$ | $n = -1$ | $n = 0$ | $n = 1$ | $n = 2$ |
| $\Delta m^2(10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2)$ | $8.59^{+0.71}_{-0.61}$ | $2.25^{+0.09}_{-0.09}$ | $2.23^{+0.10}_{-0.09}$ | $2.28^{+0.09}_{-0.10}$ | $2.35^{+0.09}_{-0.10}$ |
| $\sin^2(2\theta)$ | $0.95_{-0.10}$ | $0.98_{-0.05}$ | $0.98_{-0.05}$ | $0.95^{+0.05}_{-0.05}$ | $0.92^{+0.04}_{-0.05}$ |
| $\gamma(10^{-14} \text{ eV})$ | $3.45^{+18.15}$ | $4.67^{+8.71}$ | $2.73^{+2.38}_{-2.18}$ | $1.20^{+0.43}_{-0.40}$ | $0.04^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$ |
| $\sin^2 \phi$ | 0* | 0* | 0* | 0* | 0* |
| χ^2 | 19.46 | 19.01 | 17.64 | 15.50 | 17.45 |
| Case 7: $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ | $n = -2$ | $n = -1$ | $n = 0$ | $n = 1$ | $n = 2$ |
| $\Delta m^2(10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2)$ | $10.09^{+1.53}_{-1.80}$ | $2.71^{+0.41}_{-0.55}$ | $2.70^{+0.37}_{-0.66}$ | $2.70^{+0.42}_{-0.52}$ | $2.71^{+0.40}_{-0.52}$ |
| $\sin^2(2\theta)$ | $0.94_{-0.16}$ | $0.94_{-0.16}$ | $0.92_{-0.14}$ | $0.94_{-0.16}$ | $0.94^{+0.08}_{-0.16}$ |
| $\gamma(10^{-14} \text{ eV})$ | $1.71^{+27.59} \times 10^{-3}$ | $1.00^{+20.29} \times 10^{-3}$ | $3.71^{+6.96}$ | $0.02^{+0.07}_{-0.01}$ | $2.81^{+13.46}_{-1.71} \times 10^{-4}$ |
| $\sin^2 \phi$ | 0.80* | 0* | 0* | 0.10* | 0* |
| χ^2 | 19.12 | 19.12 | 18.06 | 16.87 | 17.29 |
| Case 7: ν_μ^g | $n = -2$ | $n = -1$ | $n = 0$ | $n = 1$ | $n = 2$ |
| $\Delta m^2(10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2)$ | $8.67^{+0.67}_{-0.63}$ | $2.24^{+0.23}_{-0.09}$ | $2.28^{+0.09}_{-0.1}$ | $2.36^{+0.14}_{-0.15}$ | $2.36^{+0.15}_{-0.15}$ |
| $\sin^2(2\theta)$ | $0.94_{-0.08}$ | $1.00_{-0.13}$ | $0.98_{-0.09}$ | $0.92^{+0.07}_{-0.06}$ | $0.92^{+0.07}_{-0.06}$ |
| $\gamma(10^{-14} \text{ eV})$ | $3.20^{+17.19}$ | $6.87^{+6.63}$ | $3.66^{+2.42}_{-2.80}$ | $0.03^{+0.04}$ | $2.31^{+1.69}_{-1.2} \times 10^{-4}$ |
| $\sin^2 \phi$ | 0* | 1.00* | 1.00* | 0.01* | 0* |
| χ^2 | 39.23 | 38.81 | 36.85 | 36.92 | 37.42 |

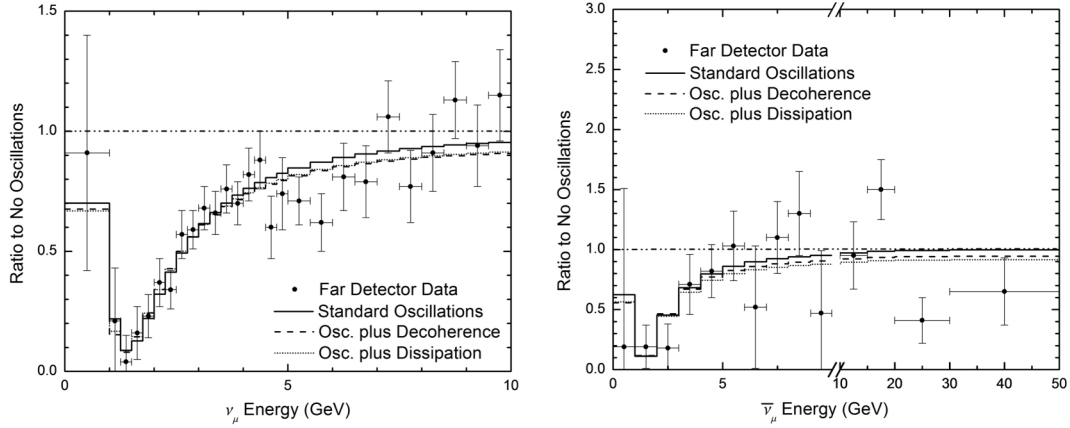


FIG. 1. The graphics were made using the oscillation parameter values obtained with the equivalence condition between ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$. On the left it is shown the neutrino behavior and on the right antineutrino behavior, taking $n = 0$ in both *Case 1* and *Case 7* models.

Let us include now the dissipative effect in the analysis. We start with the model given by survival probability in Eq. (1), where decoherence is the dissipative effect coupled in the neutrino oscillation. The results are shown in Table II. The results obtained using the second dissipative model, that includes decoherence and other dissipative effects, can also be seen in Table II.

For all the energy parametrization of γ_0 in the *Case 1* model, the oscillation parameter values remain consistent with each other. This happens also when we compare the oscillation parameter values from the standard oscillation model and *Case 1* model. The same consistency is present between the oscillation parameters in *Case 7* model, but when $n = -2$ in the power law, the oscillation parameters of the *Case 7* model and standard oscillation model are very different. The Δm^2 in model *Case 7* is greater than in the standard oscillation model; however, it does not change the capacity of this case to fit the data because, in this approach, the important quantity is the mean value of the probability in each bin.

Since we accept our results obtained with the standard oscillation model as being enough to understand the MINOS results, we can conclude that, with exception of the *Case 7* model with $n = -2$, the value of the oscillation parameters obtained in all dissipative cases are consistent with the values obtained from the standard oscillation model.

From the analysis for neutrinos and antineutrinos, we can see that the dissipative parameter presented high variance in many cases and the whole set of oscillation parameters, i.e., Δm^2 ($\Delta \bar{m}^2$) and $\sin^2(2\theta)$ ($\sin^2(2\bar{\theta})$) in each case, are different from each other when n varies, but are consistent between neutrinos and antineutrinos in the same case. Furthermore, the results did not present sensitivity to bind the *CP* Majorana phase, and in the most of cases the best fit is $\phi = 0$. This panorama shows that there is only a small possibility of *CPT* violation in all models analyzed. Therefore, the equivalence between ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ behavior is the reasonable hypothesis.

When we consider this equivalence hypothesis and perform the global analysis, all the models fit the experimental data very well. This can be seen in Fig. 1, where we plot all the models taking $n = 0$ on dissipative models (*Case 1* and *Case 7*). The three lines illustrate the following: the solid line is the behavior of the standard survival probability, dashed line is the behavior of the *Case 1* model and the dot line shows the behavior of the *Case 7* model. On the left (right), we present results for neutrinos (antineutrinos). The behavior of survival probabilities are clear in this energy range and when we treat neutrinos, the larger part of the plot of the *Case 7* model line is above the one of the *Case 1* model. The inverse occurs in antineutrino case.

In order to clear up the differences between the dissipative models, we analyze three configurations, $n = 0, \pm 1$ on dissipative parameter in each model. The Fig. 2 shows the best fit values and contours at 95% C.L. for each pair of parameters. At the top in Fig. 2 are the contours for standard oscillation parameters. We can see that the regions are different from each other due to dissipative effect intensity that depending on n value. When $n = -1$ the standard oscillation model best fit is different from the *Case 1* and *Case 7* models which have the same best fit. To $n = 0$, the best fit of the dissipative models tends to the standard oscillation model best fit. Finally, when $n = 1$ the dissipative effect becomes very weak and the three best fits, standard oscillation model and dissipative models, are equal.

In this approach, the energy dependence on γ , given by Eq. (3), has an important role and each model changes the limits of Δm^2 and $\sin^2(2\theta)$ when n varies. This is possible to see in the middle and bottom of Fig. 2. Interestingly enough, when $n = 0$ the models impose on $\sin^2(2\theta)$ a stronger limit than when $n = -1, 1$. When $n \geq 1$, γ must be small, and we expect that the dissipative effect becomes weak and effectively less important. In this case the dissipative models tend to the standard oscillation model. It is important to note that when $n = -1, 0$ there are regions

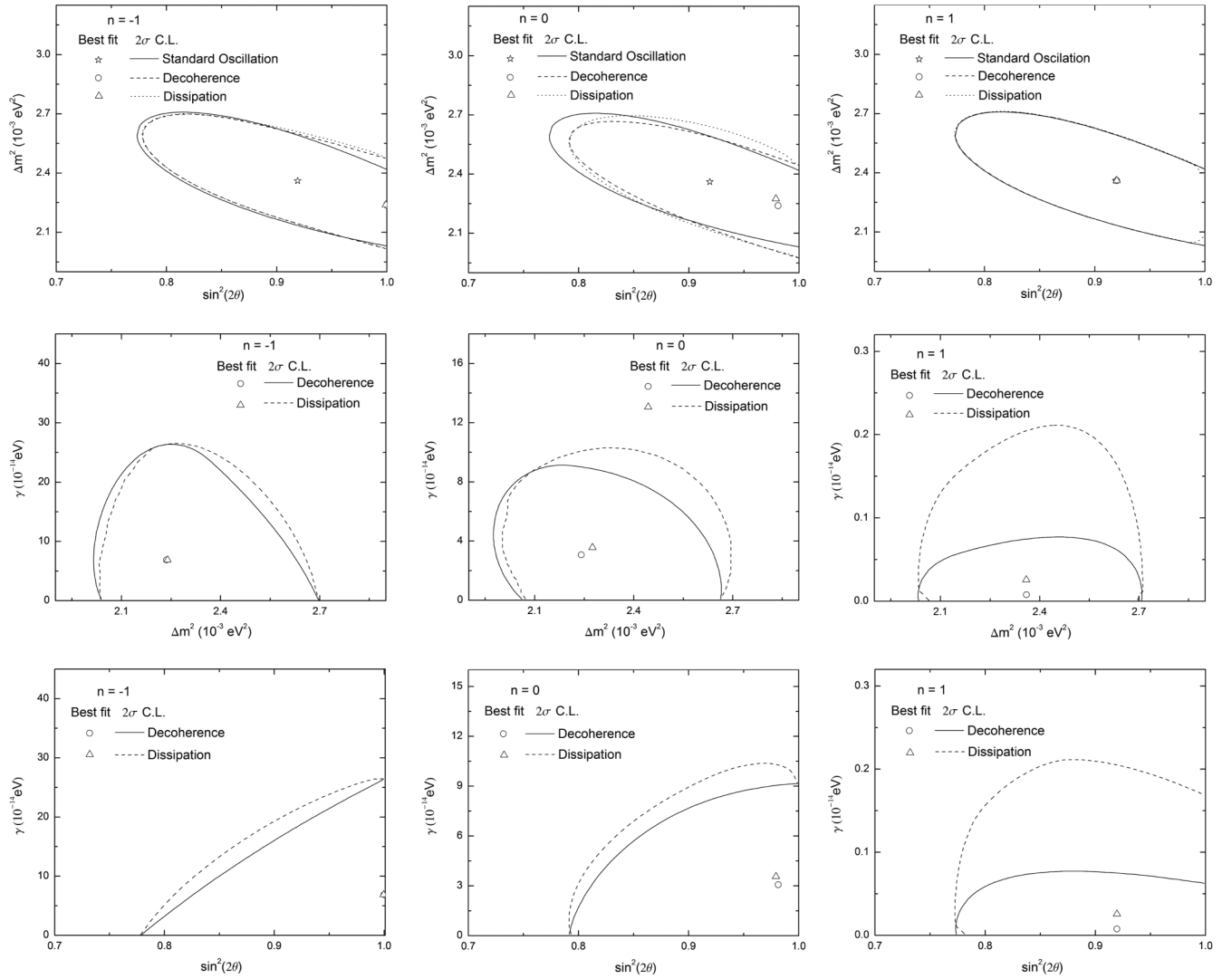


FIG. 2. Contours at 95% C. L. and best fits obtained from the three models studied. Top: contours with the regions allowed to standard oscillation parameters. In this case, there are three contours for each dissipative model with $n = 0, \pm 1$ and the same contour for the standard oscillation model. Middle: Limits on γ as a function of Δm^2 for the cases $n = 0, \pm 1$. Bottom: Limits on γ as a function of $\sin^2(2\theta)$ considering also $n = 0, \pm 1$.

outside the standard oscillation region at 95% C.L.. This can be seen in the top of Fig. 2, but when $n = 1$, the model Case 7 has a smaller region than the other models.

IV. THE CP PHASE

The Case 7 model has a new and important difference from the other models. The Case 7 model has a Majorana CP phase in survival probability, and in the Table II the value of this phase is nonzero in the global case. Indeed, the best fit to this new parameter in the global case with $n = 0, -1$ is maximum, $\sin^2(\phi) = 1$, and $\sin^2(\phi) = 0.01$ when $n = 1$. Notice that $\sin^2(\phi) = 0$ when $n = -1, 0$ and $\sin^2(\phi) = 0.10$ when $n = 1$ in individual analysis from neutrinos and antineutrinos. Therefore, the CP phase seems to be an additive parameter that has an important role and its consequences are very interesting.

The value obtained to CP phase in the global analysis makes the survival probability in Eq. (2) to be different when we treat neutrinos or antineutrinos. CP violation can be occur in neutrinos oscillation when we use an open quantum systems approach. Although our analysis did not find sensibility for this parameter, we investigate the CP phase when the γ is fixed in its best-fit value and thus, we get the behavior the CP phase as function of Δm^2 and $\sin^2(2\theta)$.

The Case 7 with $n = 1$ was the only one that showed some sensitivity to ϕ and in Fig. 3, we show the contours obtained when γ is fixed in the best-fit value. The limits on Δm^2 ($\sin^2(2\theta)$) and $\sin^2(\phi)$ in this situation appear on the left (right) in Fig. 3. The 2σ region shows that $\sin^2(\phi) < 0.5$ and the Δm^2 ($\sin^2(2\theta)$) limit is inside the same region obtained to standard oscillation model, as it is possible to

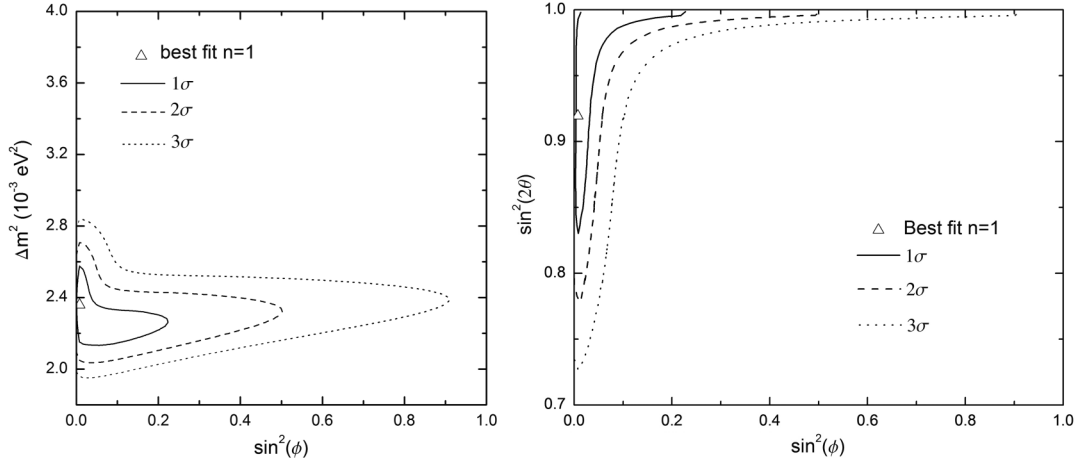


FIG. 3. The contours obtained when γ is fixed in its best-fit value. On the left, Δm^2 is shown as function of $\sin^2 \phi$ and on the right, $\sin^2(2\theta)$ as a function of $\sin^2 \phi$. In the two situations there are contours with 1, 2 and 3 σ of confidence level.

see at the top right in Fig. 2. It is possible to see also that when $\sin^2(\phi) \rightarrow 0$ the limit on Δm^2 becomes different from the usual and this explains why the contour obtained with *Case 7* model is smaller than the standard oscillation model contour.

On the other hand, if we take the value of γ at 2 σ C.L., $\gamma = 0.14 \times 10^{-14}$ eV, then $\sin^2(\phi) \sim 0^1$ and *CP* violation in this condition can be negligible because in the last term of Eq. (2) tends strongly to zero.

The analysis performed for *Case 7* model indicates that *CP* violation can appear even in two-neutrino oscillations. This *CP* violation has an import consequence once that this approach violates the temporal symmetry [1–3,5,6,26]. In fact, the addition of the *CP* violation in the open quantum system approach, that already violates the temporal symmetry, composes an unusual *CPT* violation, since it occurs even considering neutrinos equivalent to antineutrinos.

However, it is important to have in mind that the dissipative models contain the usual oscillation parameter and comparing the $\Delta\chi^2$ between the dissipative and standard oscillation patterns the biggest difference is 2.4 and, therefore, these dissipative models are not statistically favored. We have calculated the *p* value for the standard model in the global case and we find 45.87% while the *p* value to the best dissipative model in the global case, when $n = 0$, is 47.60%. So, we must conclude that the results obtained with all dissipative models do not have statistical preference and, then, we can keep the focus in the limits to dissipative effects, as well as to Majorana *CP* phase value.

V. COMMENTS AND CONCLUSION

We have presented a simple data analysis from MINOS experiment using the open quantum system approach,

¹The exact value is $\sin^2(\phi) = 0.003$ or $\phi = 0.06$ rad, and in this situation $\chi^2/\text{dof} = 1.08$.

where the survival probabilities take into account the dissipative effects adding only one parameter in the theory [1]. We test our simple approach considering the standard oscillation model in order to verify if the obtained results are suitable to understand the current MINOS result. Our results showed good agreement with MINOS Collaboration results, both for neutrino and antineutrinos [12,30].

After this, we performed the analysis using the open quantum system approach where dissipative effects are added to the oscillation phenomena. Two specific models were analyzed, but each dissipative model was analyzed in five different conditions, once that a power-law exponential has been imposed on dissipative parameter.

The first models, *Case 1*, added only decoherence like dissipative effect in standard oscillation model and the second model, *Case 7*, considers an original condition on dissipative effects. It leads to a most general effect that includes also decoherence and other dissipative effects [1].

We performed the analysis for neutrinos and antineutrinos and due to consistency in our results, we imposed equivalence between neutrinos and antineutrinos and perform the global analysis focusing in the cases where $n = 0, \pm 1$ in power-law of the γ_0 parameter.

The results obtained with global hypothesis showed that the oscillation model fits very well the MINOS data. Dissipative effects have low contribution and statistically negligible, although these models present rich phenomenology to be studied. In particular, with the *Case 7* model we obtained a limit to dissipative effects and the Majorana *CP* phase can have nonzero values in the three possibilities where $n = 0, \pm 1$. Then, this model, even in two neutrino oscillation, can present *CP* violation. Interesting enough, when we treat neutrino and antineutrino separately, the Majorana *CP* phase is zero in most part of the cases, but to fit the global hypothesis, we find a nonzero *CP* phase.

In special, we detail the situation where $n = 1$ in *Case 7* model and although the dissipative effects are less effective

here, the results are interesting. As it can be seen, the *Case 7* model presents effects that can be described by mean of the Majorana CP phase only. When we fixed the γ in the best fit, the sensitivity in relation to the Majorana CP phase becomes significant as is shown in Fig. 3. The CP phase is responsible for reduction of the contour region on the top right of Fig. 2. However, we point out that in the open quantum system approach, the temporal symmetry is violated and together with the CP violation result, we arrive in an unusual CPT violation that is different from the usual CPT symmetry.

In summary, the open quantum system is a rich approach that can include many interesting effects and possibilities for study. Here, we apply this theory in MINOS data analysis and we investigate some intriguing results. The dissipative effects can lead us to new phenomena and consequences. In this work, for example, the Majorana CP phase is kept even in two-neutrino oscillation.

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