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**Polarization phenomena in hyperon-nucleon scattering**

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We investigate polarization observables in hyperon-nucleon scattering by decomposing scattering amplitudes into spin-space tensors, where each component describes scattering by corresponding spin-dependent interactions, so that contributions of the interactions in the observables are individually identified. In this way, for elastic scattering we find some linear combinations of the observables sensitive to particular spin-dependent interactions such as symmetric spin-orbit ( $LS$ ) interactions and antisymmetric  $LS$  ones. These will be useful to criticize theoretical predictions of the interactions when the relevant observables are measured. We treat vector analyzing powers, depolarizations, and coefficients of polarization transfers and spin correlations, a part of which is numerically examined in  $\Sigma^+p$  scattering as an example. Total cross sections are studied for polarized beams and targets as well as for unpolarized ones to investigate spin dependence of imaginary parts of forward scattering amplitudes.

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**I. INTRODUCTION**

Interactions between hyperons and nucleons are fundamental subjects in studies of nuclear structures and reactions that contain hyperons. So far, a number of theoretical models for hyperon-nucleon ( $YN$ ) interactions have been developed based on boson-exchange models [1–3] or quark-cluster ones [4,5]. On the other hand, experimental studies of the interactions through  $YN$  scattering have scarcely been performed, which leaves many ambiguities, particularly on their spin dependence.

As is well known, polarization phenomena are a substantial tool for studying spin-dependent interactions. In a phase-shift analysis of  $YN$  scattering [6], which is an information source of the spin-dependent interactions, polarization observables are shown to be indispensable to avoid ambiguities.

Recently, asymmetries of scattered hyperons have been measured for elastic scattering of polarized  $\Sigma^+$  and  $\Lambda$  on protons [7], which provide an experimental evidence on the characteristic difference of the spin dependence between  $\Sigma^+p$  and  $\Lambda p$  interactions, though of qualitative nature at present. Considering that such kinds of experimental research will be developed more in the future, we will theoretically investigate polarization observables in  $YN$  scattering in relation to the spin dependence of  $YN$  interactions. In general, contributions from different kinds of spin-dependent interactions are mixed up in scattering observables. However, we will predict some linear combinations of the observables to exhibit effects of particular spin-dependent interactions. Analyses of

such combinations will thereby be useful to clarify characteristics of the interactions and provide clear-cut criticisms on the spin dependence of the model interactions when the relevant observables are measured.

In order to relate the polarization observables to the spin-dependent interactions, we will decompose the scattering amplitudes into scalar, vector, etc., in the spin space, each of which describes scattering by central interactions, by spin-vector interactions such as  $LS$  ones, etc. When the observables are described in terms of such amplitudes, one will be able to identify the contributions of particular spin-dependent interaction in the observables accordingly. Similar decompositions of the scattering amplitudes have been applied to analyses of nucleon-deuteron scattering [8–10], which have provided deeper understanding of the effects of spin-dependent interactions in the scattering observables and have succeeded in clarifying the scalar, vector, and tensor characters of three-nucleon forces. Such success encourages us to extend the method to the  $YN$  scattering.

In the present paper, we will consider a general case of scattering between two spin-1/2 particles, since the spins of nucleons and hyperons,  $\Lambda$ ,  $\Sigma$ , etc., are 1/2. In Sec. II, the decomposition of the scattering amplitude into the spin-space tensors is given in a model independent way. Each component of the decomposed amplitude is related to conventional amplitudes by giving explicit forms for the tensors. In this way, elastic scattering is investigated in detail. As will be shown later, the present amplitude includes a vector component effective for mixing of total intrinsic spins, which is absent in the amplitude of nucleon-nucleon scattering. Thus the polarization observables in the  $YN$  scattering are composed of the constituents in a way different from that in the nucleon-nucleon scattering [11]. Using the amplitudes given in Sec. II, we investigate typical polarization observables for

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elastic scattering in Sec. III, where the analyzing powers and second order polarization observables, such as depolarizations, are treated. Further, it is shown that total cross sections for the polarized beam and target as well as for the unpolarized ones exhibit contributions of particular spin-dependent interactions to the scattering amplitudes, when linear combinations are considered. In Sec. IV, a part of theoretical predictions is numerically examined as an example of the  $\Sigma^+p$  scattering by using the Nijmegen interactions [2], where the calculated quantities are compared with different versions of the interactions. Summary will be given in Sec. V.

## II. SCATTERING AMPLITUDES FOR TWO SPIN-1/2 PARTICLES

### A. Spin tensor analysis of scattering amplitudes

Let us consider the  $T$  matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  for scattering of two spin-1/2 particles,  $a+b \rightarrow c+d$ , characterized by the isospin and the strangeness, where the parity is conserved. The matrix element of  $\mathbf{M}$  gives the scattering amplitude as usual. To decompose the amplitude according to the tensorial property in the spin space, we will expand  $\mathbf{M}$  by spin-space tensors of the rank  $K$  and  $z$  component  $\kappa$ ,  $\mathbf{S}_{-\kappa}^{(K)}$ ,

$$\mathbf{M} = \sum_{K\kappa} (-)^{\kappa} \mathbf{S}_{-\kappa}^{(K)} \mathbf{R}_{\kappa}^{(K)}, \quad (1)$$

where  $\mathbf{R}_{\kappa}^{(K)}$  is a coordinate-space tensor associated with  $\mathbf{S}_{-\kappa}^{(K)}$ . Then the matrix element of  $\mathbf{M}$  designated by the  $z$  components of spins of the related particles,  $\nu_a$ , etc., and the relative momenta between the particles in the initial and final states,  $\mathbf{k}_i$  and  $\mathbf{k}_f$ , is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \nu_c \nu_d; \mathbf{k}_f | \mathbf{M} | \nu_a \nu_b; \mathbf{k}_i \rangle &= \sum_{s_i \nu_i s_f \nu_f} \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \nu_a \nu_b \left| s_i \nu_i \right. \right) \\ &\times \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \nu_c \nu_d \left| s_f \nu_f \right. \right) \\ &\times \sum_{K\kappa} (-)^{s_f - \nu_f} (s_i s_f \nu_i - \nu_f | K \kappa) \\ &\times M_{\kappa}^{(K)}(s_i s_f; \mathbf{k}_i \mathbf{k}_f), \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

where the geometrical part of the matrix element of  $\mathbf{S}_{\kappa}^{(K)}$  is described by the Clebsch-Gordan coefficient due to the Wigner-Eckart theorem, and the physical part is included in the last factor  $M_{\kappa}^{(K)}(s_i s_f; \mathbf{k}_i \mathbf{k}_f)$ , which is an amplitude of rank  $K$  and is given by

$$M_{\kappa}^{(K)}(s_i s_f; \mathbf{k}_i \mathbf{k}_f) = \frac{(-)^{s_i - s_f}}{\sqrt{2K+1}} (s_f || \mathbf{S}^{(K)} || s_i) \times \langle \mathbf{k}_f | \mathbf{R}_{\kappa}^{(K)} | \mathbf{k}_i \rangle. \quad (3)$$

In the choice of the Madison convention for the reference axes,  $\hat{z} || \mathbf{k}_i$  and  $\hat{y} || \mathbf{k}_i \times \mathbf{k}_f$ ,  $\mathbf{R}_{-\kappa}^{(K)}$  is related to  $\mathbf{R}_{\kappa}^{(K)}$  due to the parity conservation [12] as

$$\mathbf{R}_{-\kappa}^{(K)} = (-)^{K-\kappa} \mathbf{R}_{\kappa}^{(K)}, \quad (4)$$

which leads to

$$M_{-\kappa}^{(K)}(s_i s_f; \mathbf{k}_i \mathbf{k}_f) = (-)^{K-\kappa} M_{\kappa}^{(K)}(s_i s_f; \mathbf{k}_i \mathbf{k}_f). \quad (5)$$

Thus the scattering amplitude consists of the following non-vanishing independent amplitudes classified by the rank of the spin-space tensor: the scalar amplitudes  $U_j (j=0, 1)$

$$U_j = M_0^{(0)}(jj; \mathbf{k}_i \mathbf{k}_f), \quad (6)$$

the vector ones  $S_j (j=1, 2, 3)$

$$S_1 = M_1^{(1)}(01; \mathbf{k}_i \mathbf{k}_f), \quad (7a)$$

$$S_2 = M_1^{(1)}(10; \mathbf{k}_i \mathbf{k}_f), \quad (7b)$$

$$S_3 = M_1^{(1)}(11; \mathbf{k}_i \mathbf{k}_f), \quad (7c)$$

and the tensor ones  $T_j (j=1, 2, 3)$

$$T_j = M_{j-1}^{(2)}(11; \mathbf{k}_i \mathbf{k}_f). \quad (8)$$

These amplitudes describe the scattering by interactions with the corresponding tensor property, where contributions of higher orders of the interactions are included under the restriction due to the tensorial property. For example, the scalar amplitude  $U_j$ 's include the higher order contributions as long as they form scalars in the spin space.

The present scattering amplitude is equivalent to the Wolfenstein amplitude in Ref. [3] in the sense that both are composed of two scalar components, three vector ones, and three tensor ones. Also, such decomposition of the scattering amplitude into spin-space tensor components is based on the theoretical development in Ref. [13] and is similar to that in Ref. [14] for nucleon-nucleon inelastic scattering. In practical cases,  $U_j$ ,  $S_j$ , and  $T_j$  are calculated from  $\langle \nu_c \nu_d; \mathbf{k}_f | \mathbf{M} | \nu_a \nu_b; \mathbf{k}_i \rangle$ , which will be obtained in conventional ways. More details are given in Appendix A.

In the elastic scattering, time-reversed states are equivalent to the original ones. Then applying the time-reversal theorem [15] to the matrix element of  $\mathbf{M}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \nu_c \nu_d; \mathbf{k}_f | \mathbf{M} | \nu_a \nu_b; \mathbf{k}_i \rangle &= (-)^{\nu_c + \nu_d - \nu_a - \nu_b} \\ &\times \langle -\nu_a - \nu_b; -\mathbf{k}_i | \mathbf{M} | -\nu_c - \nu_d; -\mathbf{k}_f \rangle, \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

which leads to

$$M_{\kappa}^{(K)}(s_i s_f; \mathbf{k}_i \mathbf{k}_f) = (-)^{s_i + s_f - K} M_{\kappa}^{(K)}(s_f s_i; -\mathbf{k}_f - \mathbf{k}_i). \quad (10)$$

This gives the following relations for the vector and tensor amplitudes, the derivation of which is given in Appendix B:

$$S_2 = -S_1 \quad (11)$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2} \sin \theta \left( \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} T_1 - T_3 \right) = -\cos \theta T_2. \quad (12)$$

Thus the independent amplitudes for the elastic scattering are two scalar ones, two vector ones, and two tensor ones.

Since the composition of independent amplitudes depends on the property of the scattering, we will specify the scattering to the elastic one for further developments.

### B. Conventional representation of elastic scattering

For the elastic scattering,  $a+b \rightarrow a+b$ , the  $T$  matrix will be represented in terms of spin-independent, spin-spin, symmetric  $LS$  (SLS), antisymmetric  $LS$  (ALS), and tensor components as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M} = & V_c + V_\sigma(\mathbf{s}_a \cdot \mathbf{s}_b) + V_{\text{SLS}}(\mathbf{s}_a + \mathbf{s}_b) \cdot \mathbf{L} + V_{\text{ALS}}(\mathbf{s}_a - \mathbf{s}_b) \cdot \mathbf{L} \\ & + V_T[(\mathbf{s}_a \otimes \mathbf{s}_b)^{(2)} \cdot \mathbf{Y}_2(\hat{\mathbf{r}})], \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

where  $\mathbf{L}$  is the  $a$ - $b$  relative orbital angular momentum,  $\mathbf{r}$  is the  $a$ - $b$  relative coordinate, and  $V$ 's are form-factor functions, which include the higher order effects, for the spin-independent central interaction  $V_c$ , the spin-spin interaction  $V_\sigma$ , the SLS interaction  $V_{\text{SLS}}$ , the ALS interaction  $V_{\text{ALS}}$ , and the tensor interaction  $V_T$ . Here, exchange effects due to strangeness transfers between the particles are included in  $V_{\text{ALS}}$ . For the nucleon-nucleon scattering, the term of  $V_{\text{ALS}}$  is eliminated because of the equivalence of  $a$  and  $b$ .

We will connect the amplitudes of Eqs. (6)–(8) to those in Eq. (13) by specifying  $\mathbf{S}^{(K)}$  and  $\mathbf{R}_\kappa^{(K)}$  in Eq. (3) as 1 and  $V_c$ ,  $(\mathbf{s}_a \cdot \mathbf{s}_b)$  and  $V_\sigma$ ,  $\mathbf{s}_a \pm \mathbf{s}_b$  and  $V_{\text{SLS}}L_{\kappa=1}$  ( $V_{\text{ALS}}L_{\kappa=1}$ ), where the terms of  $\kappa=1$  are effective due to Eq. (7), etc. For this purpose, we define new scalar amplitudes,

$$U_\alpha \equiv \langle \mathbf{k}_f | V_c | \mathbf{k}_i \rangle, \quad (14a)$$

$$U_\beta \equiv \langle \mathbf{k}_f | V_\sigma | \mathbf{k}_i \rangle, \quad (14b)$$

and new vector amplitudes,

$$S_\alpha \equiv \langle \mathbf{k}_f | V_{\text{ALS}} L_1 | \mathbf{k}_i \rangle, \quad (15a)$$

$$S_\beta \equiv \langle \mathbf{k}_f | V_{\text{SLS}} L_1 | \mathbf{k}_i \rangle, \quad (15b)$$

and obtain

$$U_0 = U_\alpha - \frac{3}{4}U_\beta, \quad (16a)$$

$$U_1 = \sqrt{3}\left(U_\alpha + \frac{1}{4}U_\beta\right), \quad (16b)$$

and

$$S_1 = -S_2 = -S_\alpha, \quad (17a)$$

$$S_3 = \sqrt{2}S_\beta. \quad (17b)$$

Then  $S_1$  ( $=-S_2$ ) describes the scattering by the ALS interaction and  $S_3$  that by the SLS interaction. The former interaction couples the states of the total intrinsic spins 0 and 1, while the latter interaction does not.

The tensor amplitudes  $T_j$  ( $j=1, 2, 3$ ) are calculated as

$$T_j = \frac{1}{2} \langle \mathbf{k}_f | V_T Y_{2,j-1} | \mathbf{k}_i \rangle, \quad (18)$$

where one of  $T_j$  is not independent due to the time-reversal theorem, Eq. (12). For later convenience, we will choose independent amplitudes  $T_\alpha$  and  $T_\beta$  as

$$T_\alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}T_1 + T_3, \quad (19a)$$

$$T_\beta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}T_1 - T_3, \quad (19b)$$

which give

$$T_2 = -\tan\theta\left(\frac{1}{2}T_\alpha + T_\beta\right). \quad (20)$$

## III. POLARIZATION OBSERVABLES

In this section, we will calculate analyzing powers, depolarizations, polarization transfer coefficients, and spin correlation coefficients for the elastic scattering,  $a+b \rightarrow a+b$ , and total cross sections using the scattering amplitudes derived in the preceding section and show their linear combinations sensitive to individuals of the scalar, vector, and tensor interactions.

### A. Vector analyzing powers

The vector analyzing powers  $A_y(a)$  for the polarized beam  $a$  and  $A_y(b)$  for the polarized target  $b$ , which are equivalent to respective cross-section asymmetries, are defined as

$$A_y(a) = \frac{1}{N_R} \text{Tr}[\mathbf{M}\sigma_y(a)\mathbf{M}^\dagger], \quad (21a)$$

$$A_y(b) = \frac{1}{N_R} \text{Tr}[\mathbf{M}\sigma_y(b)\mathbf{M}^\dagger], \quad (21b)$$

where  $N_R$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} N_R \equiv \text{Tr}(\mathbf{M}\mathbf{M}^\dagger) = & |U_0|^2 + |U_1|^2 + 2(|S_1|^2 + |S_2|^2 + |S_3|^2) \\ & + |T_1|^2 + 2(|T_2|^2 + |T_3|^2) \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

and is related to differential cross sections  $d\sigma/d\cos\theta$  as

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta} = \frac{2\pi k_f}{4k_i} N_R. \quad (23)$$

Using the amplitudes in Eqs. (6)–(8), we get

$$\begin{aligned} A_y(a) = & \frac{4}{N_R} \text{Im} \left\{ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}U_0^*S_2 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}U_1^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}S_1 - S_3 \right) - \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}S_1 \right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \frac{1}{2}S_3 \right)^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}T_1 + T_3 \right) - \frac{1}{2}T_2^* \left( \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}T_1 - T_3 \right) \right\}, \end{aligned} \quad (24a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_y(b) = & \frac{4}{N_R} \text{Im} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}U_0^*S_2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}U_1^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}S_1 + S_3 \right) + \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}S_1 \right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. - \frac{1}{2}S_3 \right)^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}T_1 + T_3 \right) - \frac{1}{2}T_2^* \left( \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}T_1 - T_3 \right) \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (24b)$$

For the elastic scattering, in terms of the conventional amplitudes, Eqs. (14), (15), and (19), we get

$$A_y(a) = -\frac{4\sqrt{2}}{N_R} \text{Im} \left\{ U_\alpha^*(S_\alpha + S_\beta) + \frac{1}{4} U_\beta^*(-S_\alpha + S_\beta) - \frac{1}{2} T_\alpha^*(-S_\alpha + S_\beta) \right\}, \quad (25a)$$

$$A_y(b) = -\frac{4\sqrt{2}}{N_R} \text{Im} \left\{ U_\alpha^*(-S_\alpha + S_\beta) + \frac{1}{4} U_\beta^*(S_\alpha + S_\beta) - \frac{1}{2} T_\alpha^*(S_\alpha + S_\beta) \right\}, \quad (25b)$$

and

$$N_R = 4|U_\alpha|^2 + \frac{3}{4}|U_\beta|^2 + 4(|S_\alpha|^2 + |S_\beta|^2) + \frac{1}{2}(\tan^2\theta + 4)|T_\alpha|^2 + 2(\tan^2\theta + 1)[|T_\beta|^2 + \text{Re}(T_\alpha^* T_\beta)], \quad (26)$$

where we used the following relation due to the time-reversal relation Eq. (12):

$$\text{Im} \left\{ T_2^* \left( \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} T_1 - T_3 \right) \right\} = 0. \quad (27)$$

Here, we will consider the sum and the difference of  $A_y(a)$  and  $A_y(b)$ :

$$A_y(a) + A_y(b) = -\frac{8\sqrt{2}}{N_R} \text{Im} \left\{ \left( U_\alpha + \frac{1}{4} U_\beta - \frac{1}{2} T_\alpha \right)^* S_\beta \right\}, \quad (28a)$$

$$A_y(a) - A_y(b) = -\frac{8\sqrt{2}}{N_R} \text{Im} \left\{ \left( U_\alpha - \frac{1}{4} U_\beta + \frac{1}{2} T_\alpha \right)^* S_\alpha \right\}. \quad (28b)$$

The quantities inside the curly brackets in Eqs. (28a) and (28b) are proportional to the matrix elements of  $V_{\text{SLS}}L_1$  and  $V_{\text{ALS}}L_1$ , respectively, as shown in Eq. (15). Then we can separate the contribution of the ALS interaction from that of the SLS interaction by considering such linear combinations of the analyzing powers:  $A_y(a) + A_y(b)$  will be sensitive to the strength of the SLS interaction and  $A_y(a) - A_y(b)$  to that of the ALS one for given  $U_\alpha$ ,  $U_\beta$ , and  $T_\alpha$ . The boson-exchange model [3], for instance, predicts a strong SLS interaction for the  $\Sigma^+p$  system but a weak one for the  $\Lambda p$  system. On the other hand, the ALS interaction is stronger for the latter than for the former, although their magnitudes are small. Measurements of these quantities therefore will give clear-cut examination of such characteristic features of the  $LS$  interactions.

### B. Second order polarization observables

First we will define the observables to be discussed. When the colliding particle  $a$  is polarized in  $i$ -axis direction, one defines the depolarization  $D_i^j(a)$ , which describes the polarization of  $a$  in the  $j$ -axis direction after the scattering by

$$D_i^j(a) = \frac{1}{N_R} \text{Tr}[\mathbf{M}\sigma_i(a)\mathbf{M}^\dagger\sigma_j(a)]. \quad (29)$$

When we consider the polarization of the partner  $b$  after the scattering, we define the polarization transfer coefficient as

$$K_i^j(a \rightarrow b) = \frac{1}{N_R} \text{Tr}[\mathbf{M}\sigma_i(a)\mathbf{M}^\dagger\sigma_j(b)]. \quad (30)$$

Finally we describe effects of the simultaneous polarizations of both  $a$  and  $b$  in the initial state by the spin correlation coefficient

$$C_{ij} = \frac{1}{N_R} \text{Tr}[\mathbf{M}\sigma_i(a)\sigma_j(b)\mathbf{M}^\dagger]. \quad (31)$$

Specifying  $i$  and  $j$  to two of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ , one gets 15 nonvanishing observables, whose expressions for the general scattering are given in Appendix C.

In the following, we will discuss linear combinations of such second order polarization observables for the elastic scattering, which are convenient for studying characteristics of the interactions.

Let us examine the sum of the diagonal elements of the second order polarization observables. The results are

$$D_x^x(a) + D_y^y(a) + D_z^z(a) = \frac{12}{N_R} \left\{ |U_\alpha|^2 - \frac{1}{16}|U_\beta|^2 + \frac{1}{3}[|S_\alpha|^2 + |S_\beta|^2 - 4\text{Re}(S_\alpha^* S_\beta)] - \frac{1}{3}(|T_1|^2 + 2|T_2|^2 + 2|T_3|^2) \right\}, \quad (32)$$

$$K_x^x(a \rightarrow b) + K_y^y(a \rightarrow b) + K_z^z(a \rightarrow b) = \frac{3}{N_R} \left\{ 2\text{Re}(U_\alpha^* U_\beta) + \frac{1}{2}|U_\beta|^2 - \frac{4}{3}(|S_\alpha|^2 - |S_\beta|^2) - \frac{1}{3}(|T_1|^2 + 2|T_2|^2 + 2|T_3|^2) \right\}, \quad (33)$$

$$C_{xx} + C_{yy} + C_{zz} = \frac{3}{N_R} \left\{ -|U_\alpha|^2 + \frac{1}{3}|U_\beta|^2 - \frac{4}{3}(|S_\alpha|^2 - |S_\beta|^2) + \frac{1}{3}(|T_1|^2 + 2|T_2|^2 + 2|T_3|^2) \right\}, \quad (34)$$

where the cross terms of the amplitudes with different ranks such as  $\text{Re}(U_\beta^* T_\beta)$  are canceled out.

If we neglect the terms without the scalar amplitudes, for example, in Eqs. (32) and (26), assuming that the scalar amplitudes are dominant over the other amplitudes, we get

$$D \equiv \frac{1}{3}[D_x^x(a) + D_y^y(a) + D_z^z(a)] \sim \frac{1}{N_R} \left( 4|U_\alpha|^2 - \frac{1}{4}|U_\beta|^2 \right) \quad (35)$$

and



$$N_R \sim 4|U_\alpha|^2 + \frac{3}{4}|U_\beta|^2, \quad (36)$$

which give the magnitudes of the scalar amplitudes as

$$|U_\alpha|^2 \sim \frac{N_R}{16}(1+3D), \quad (37a)$$

$$|U_\beta|^2 \sim N_R(1-D). \quad (37b)$$

Moreover, for the second order polarization observables, there are several linear combinations that exhibit effects of particular components of the interaction: for example,

$$C_{xx} + C_{zz} + K_x^x(a \rightarrow b) + K_z^z(a \rightarrow b) = \frac{8}{N_R} \text{Re}\{(U_\beta + T_\alpha)^* U_\alpha\}, \quad (38)$$

$$C_{xz} - C_{zx} = \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{N_R} \text{Re}\{(U_\beta + T_\alpha)^* S_\alpha\}, \quad (39)$$

$$K_x^z(a \rightarrow b) - K_z^x(a \rightarrow b) = \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{N_R} \text{Re}\{(U_\beta + T_\alpha)^* S_\beta\}, \quad (40)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} D_x^z(a) + D_z^x(a) &= -\tan\theta(D_x^x(a) - D_z^z(a)) \\ &= \frac{4\tan\theta}{N_R} \text{Re}\left\{(U_\beta + T_\alpha)^* \left(\frac{1}{2}T_\alpha + T_\beta\right)\right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (41)$$

The numerators on the right-hand sides of these equations are, respectively, proportional to the magnitudes of the amplitudes,  $U_\alpha$ ,  $S_\alpha$ ,  $S_\beta$ , and  $1/2T_\alpha + T_\beta$ , and then the left-hand side quantities will give some kinds of measures of the strength of the corresponding interactions, when multiplied by the cross section. Since Eqs. (39)–(41) include only  $U_\beta$  as the scalar amplitude, they will be useful for investigation of the spin-spin interaction.

### C. Spin-dependent total cross sections

Total cross sections, when no Coulomb interaction acts, provide the imaginary parts of forward scattering amplitudes by the optical theorem. In the present system, three amplitudes with  $\kappa=0$ , namely,  $U_\alpha$ ,  $U_\beta$ , and  $T_1$ , survive at the forward angle, which are important sources of information on the scalar and tensor interactions. We will consider correspondingly three kinds of total cross sections by choosing proper polarizations of the target and beam particles.

Let us denote the spin density of an initial state, which consists of the beam particle  $a$  and the target particle  $b$ , by  $\rho_i^{(a,b)}$ . Then the optical theorem gives the corresponding total cross section  $\sigma$  as

$$\sigma = \frac{4\pi}{k} \text{Im}\{\text{Tr}(\rho_i^{(a,b)} \mathbf{M})_{\theta=0}\}, \quad (42)$$

where  $k$  is the magnitude of  $\mathbf{k}_i$ .

One of the independent total cross sections is the unpolarized total cross section  $\sigma_{\text{unpol}}$  calculated from a density matrix

$$\rho_i^{(a,b)} = \frac{1}{2}I^{(a)} \otimes \frac{1}{2}I^{(b)}, \quad (43)$$

where  $I^{(a)}$  and  $I^{(b)}$  are the unit matrices for particles  $a$  and  $b$ , respectively.

As for the other two total cross sections, we consider those with longitudinal and transverse polarizations. In general, when particles  $a$  and  $b$  are polarized in the  $j$ -axis direction with polarizations  $p^{(a)}$  and  $p^{(b)}$ , the corresponding cross section  $\sigma_j(p^{(a)}, p^{(b)})$  is obtained with spin density matrix

$$\rho_i^{(a,b)} = p^{(a)} \frac{1}{2}\sigma_j^{(a)} \otimes p^{(b)} \frac{1}{2}\sigma_j^{(b)}, \quad (44)$$

where  $\sigma^{(a)}$  and  $\sigma^{(b)}$  are the Pauli spin matrices for  $a$  and  $b$ . The polarization axis is along the beam direction,  $j=z$ , for the longitudinal configuration and is perpendicular to the beam direction, typically  $j=y$ , for the transverse one. The longitudinal asymmetry  $\Delta\sigma_L$  and the transverse asymmetry  $\Delta\sigma_T$  [8] are defined as the difference of the cross sections provided by the reversal of the particle  $b$ 's spin:

$$\Delta\sigma_L = \sigma_z(+1, -1) - \sigma_z(+1, +1), \quad (45a)$$

$$\Delta\sigma_T = \sigma_y(+1, -1) - \sigma_y(+1, +1). \quad (45b)$$

From these definitions, we obtain

$$\text{Im}[U_\alpha(\theta=0)] = \frac{k}{4\pi} \sigma_{\text{unpol}}, \quad (46a)$$

$$\text{Im}[U_\beta(\theta=0)] = -\frac{k}{6\pi} (\Delta\sigma_L + 2\Delta\sigma_T), \quad (46b)$$

$$\text{Im}[T_1(\theta=0)] = -\frac{\sqrt{2}k}{4\sqrt{3}\pi} (\Delta\sigma_L - \Delta\sigma_T). \quad (46c)$$

That is, for the imaginary part of the forward scattering amplitude, the spin-independent scalar amplitude is determined by  $\sigma_{\text{unpol}}$ , and the spin-spin scalar amplitude and the tensor amplitude are determined by  $\Delta\sigma_L$  and  $\Delta\sigma_T$ . Then measurements of such total cross sections will provide criticisms of the calculated amplitudes for scattering of neutral hyperons, for example,  $\Lambda p$  scattering. Since the imaginary parts of scattering amplitudes reflect absorption effects due to related reaction channels, measurements of these cross sections will provide information of the nature of the couplings with the channels, particularly, by clarifying which kinds of the spin-dependent interactions are important.

### IV. NUMERICAL EXAMINATION IN $\Sigma^+p$ SCATTERING

As a test of the validity of the theoretical predictions, we will perform numerical calculations for  $\Sigma^+p$  scattering with the Nijmegen soft-core one-boson-exchange potential models (NSC97) [2]. In Ref. [2], six different  $YN$  potential models, NSC97a to NSC97f, which are characterized by different choices for the magnetic vector ratio, have been phenomeno-

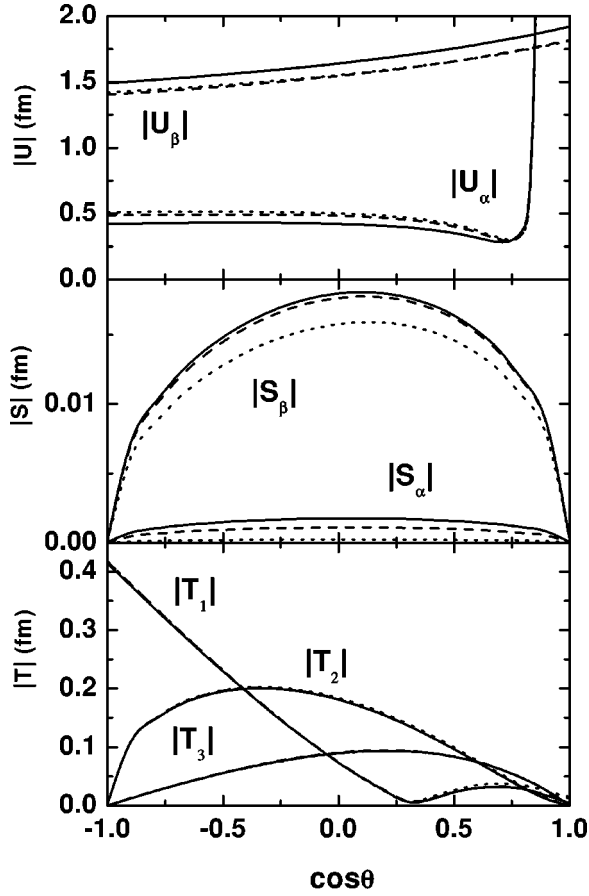


FIG. 1. The magnitudes of the amplitudes  $U_\alpha$ ,  $U_\beta$ ,  $S_\alpha$ ,  $S_\beta$ ,  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$ , and  $T_3$  for the  $\Sigma^+p$  scattering at  $p_{\Sigma^+}=170$  MeV/ $c$ . The solid lines are calculations by the NSC97a potential model, the dashed lines by the NSC97c one, and the dotted lines by the NSC97f one.

logically derived as descriptions of existing experimental data. These potential models contain the scalar, vector, and tensor components of various strengths, and therefore should be suitable for the present test. In all of the figures below, we will plot results of three potentials, namely, NSC97a, NSC97c, and NSC97f, to avoid an unnecessary confusion due to overclosed lines.

### A. Scattering amplitudes

The magnitudes of the scalar amplitudes,  $U_\alpha$  and  $U_\beta$ , the vector amplitudes,  $S_\alpha$  and  $S_\beta$ , and the tensor amplitudes,  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$ , and  $T_3$ , for the  $\Sigma^+p$  scattering at  $p_{\Sigma^+}=170$  and 450 MeV/ $c$  are plotted in Figs. 1 and 2, respectively. As seen in these figures, the NSC97 models give similar angular dependence for each kind of the amplitude in a global sense: a weak  $\cos\theta$  dependence of the scalar amplitudes except for forward angles particularly remarkable at  $p_{\Sigma^+}=170$  MeV/ $c$ , a hill-like distribution peaked at  $\cos\theta=0-0.5$  for the vector amplitudes, a one-node-like structure for the tensor amplitude  $T_1$ , etc. Such characteristics of the angular dependence will be understood by the plane-wave Born approximation as demonstrated in Ref. [16], where the matrix element of the coordinate-space tensor in Eq. (3) is given as

$$\begin{aligned} \langle k_f | R_K^{(K)} | k_i \rangle &= \int e^{iq \cdot r} Y_{K\kappa}(\hat{r}) V_K(r) dr \\ &= 4\pi i^K Y_{K\kappa}(\hat{q}) \int_0^\infty j_K(qr) V_K(r) r^2 dr. \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

Here,  $V_K$  is a relevant potential for the tensor of rank  $K$ , and  $q$  is the momentum transfer in the scattering,

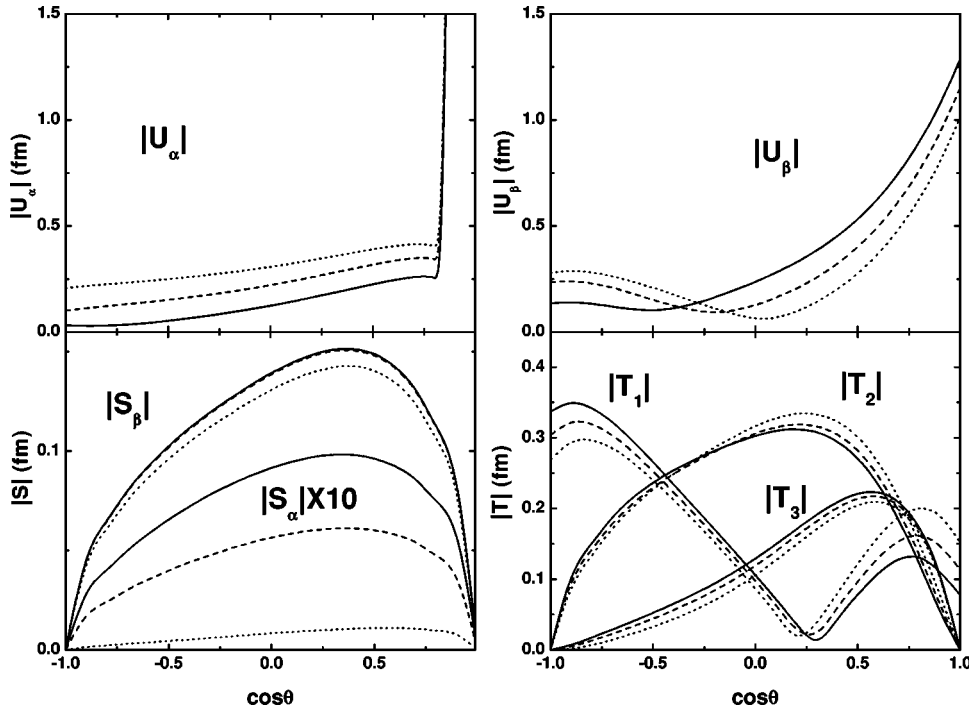


FIG. 2. The same as Fig. 1, but at  $p_{\Sigma^+}=450$  MeV/ $c$ .

$$\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{k}_i - \mathbf{k}_f. \quad (48)$$

For the elastic scattering, the magnitude and azimuthal angle of the momentum transfer  $\mathbf{q}$  are given by

$$q = k\sqrt{2(1 - \cos\theta)}, \quad (49a)$$

$$\tan\theta_q = \frac{\sin\theta}{1 - \cos\theta}, \quad (49b)$$

where  $k = |\mathbf{k}_i| = |\mathbf{k}_f|$ . Equations (47) and (49) explain essential features of the angular dependence of the amplitudes in Figs. 1 and 2.

Equation (47) indicates that the magnitudes of the amplitudes in Figs. 1 and 2 are measures of the strengths of the relevant interactions. At  $p_{\Sigma^+} = 170$  MeV/c, the magnitude of  $U_\beta$  is much larger than that of  $U_\alpha$  and of the vector and tensor amplitudes except for  $\cos\theta \sim 1$ , where the Coulomb scattering is dominant in  $U_\alpha$ . Such superiority of the spin-spin amplitudes is interpreted as the result of large contributions of the pion-exchange mechanism to the central interaction. On the other hand, at  $p_{\Sigma^+} = 450$  MeV/c, the magnitudes of  $U_\alpha$ ,  $U_\beta$ , and the tensor amplitudes are comparable. The magnitude of  $S_\alpha$  is very small, indicating weak ALS interactions. Both  $|S_\alpha|$  and  $|S_\beta|$  decrease with the change of the interaction from NSC97a to NSC97f, reflecting stronger LS interactions in NSC97a and weaker ones in NSC97f.

### B. Cross sections

As discussed in Sec. III C, a set of the spin-dependent total cross sections for a system without a Coulomb force works as measures of the strength for the spin-dependent interactions by the optical theorem. However, the Coulomb interaction in the  $\Sigma^+p$  system prevents such a measurement of the total cross section. In analyzing  $YN$  data of 1960s, an averaged value of the cross section over a certain range of the scattering angle,  $\cos\theta_{\min}$  to  $\cos\theta_{\max}$ ,

$$\sigma = \frac{2}{\cos\theta_{\max} - \cos\theta_{\min}} \int_{\cos\theta_{\min}}^{\cos\theta_{\max}} \frac{d\sigma(\theta)}{d\cos\theta} d\cos\theta \quad (50)$$

was used as “total”  $\Sigma^+p$  cross section. In Fig. 3, the total cross sections with  $\cos\theta_{\min} = -0.5$  and  $\cos\theta_{\max} = 0.5$  [2] calculated for the NSC97a, NSC97c, and NSC97f are compared with the experimental data [17–19]. All the measured cross sections are localized in the low momentum region below  $p_{\Sigma^+} = 200$  MeV/c, where the cross section calculated by any version of the interaction has a similar magnitude and agrees to such low momentum data.

As indicated in Eqs. (23) and (29), the differential cross section consists of the absolute squares of scalar, vector, and tensor amplitudes. The total cross section accordingly consists of the corresponding contributions:

$$\sigma_A = \frac{2\pi k_f}{4k_i} \frac{2}{\cos\theta_{\max} - \cos\theta_{\min}} \int_{\cos\theta_{\min}}^{\cos\theta_{\max}} O_A d\cos\theta, \quad (51)$$

where  $O_A = 4|U_\alpha|^2, 3/4|U_\beta|^2, 4|S_\alpha|^2, 4|S_\beta|^2$ , and  $|T_1|^2 + 2(|T_2|^2 + |T_3|^2)$  for  $A = U_\alpha, U_\beta, S_\alpha, S_\beta$ , and  $T$ , respectively. Such components of the cross sections are displayed in Fig.

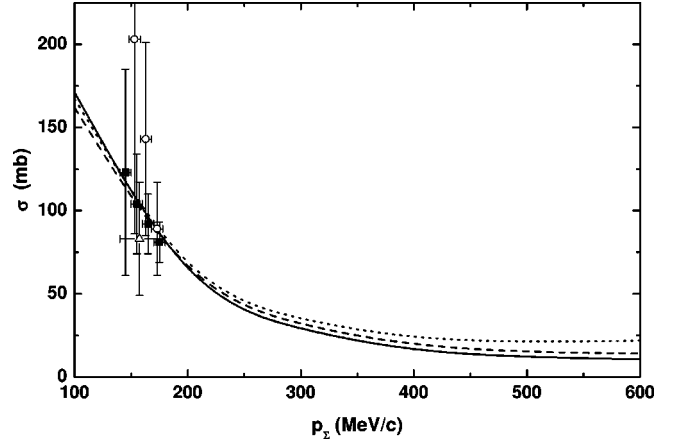


FIG. 3. “Total” cross section by Eq. (50) for the  $\Sigma^+p$  scattering for  $100 \text{ MeV}/c \leq p_{\Sigma^+} \leq 600 \text{ MeV}/c$ . See the caption of Fig. 1 for the definitions of the theoretical curves. The filled squares denote the experimental data from Ref. [17], the open circles from Ref. [18], the open triangle from Ref. [19].

4. It is seen that the total cross section is mainly governed by the contributions of the scalar amplitudes and the contribution of the spin-spin interaction,  $U_\beta$ , is particularly dominant at the low momenta. This  $U_\beta$  contribution explains the main part of the measured cross sections in Fig. 3. For a higher

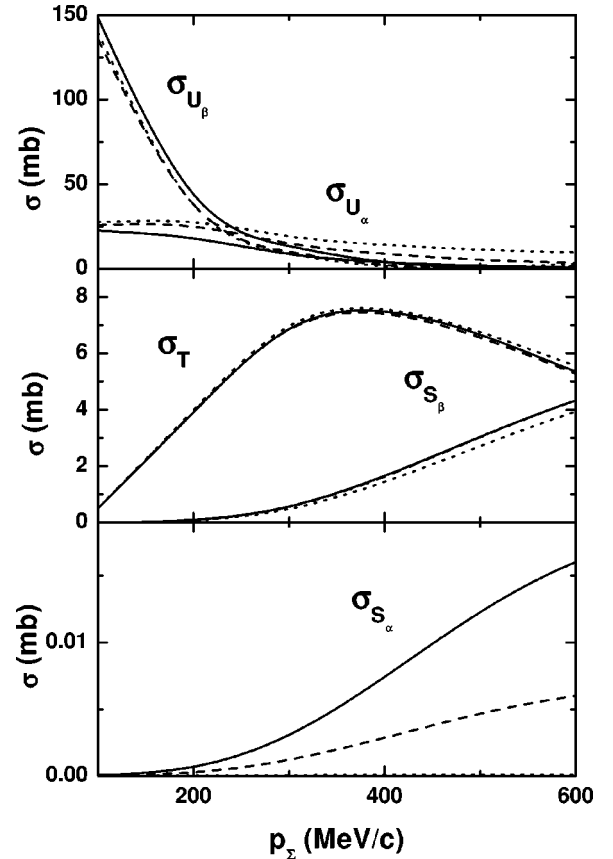


FIG. 4. Decomposition of total cross section of the  $\Sigma^+p$  scattering into spin-space components defined in Eq. (51). See the caption of Fig. 1 for the definitions of the theoretical curves.



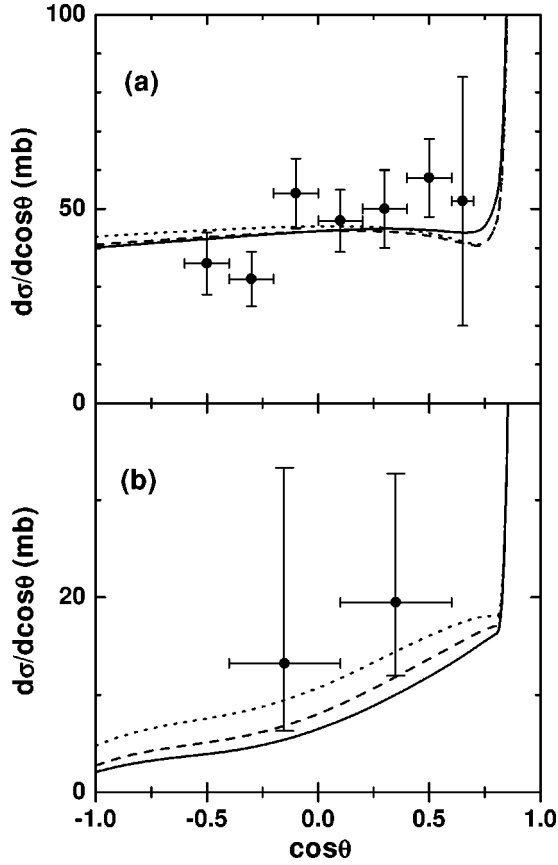


FIG. 5. Differential cross section  $d\sigma(\theta)/d\cos\theta$  for the  $\Sigma^+p$  scattering at  $p_{\Sigma^+}=170$  MeV/ $c$  (a) and 450 MeV/ $c$  (b). See the caption of Fig. 1 for the definitions of the theoretical curves. Experimental data are taken from Ref. [17] for  $p_{\Sigma^+}=170$  MeV/ $c$  and from Ref. [20] for  $p_{\Sigma^+}=450$  MeV/ $c$ .

momentum region, the contribution from the tensor amplitudes becomes comparable with that from the scalar amplitudes as indicated in Fig. 2.

In Fig. 5, the calculated differential cross sections  $d\sigma(\theta)/d\cos\theta$  at  $p_{\Sigma^+}=170$  and 450 MeV/ $c$  are displayed, which are very similar to each other for given  $p_{\Sigma^+}$  and agree with the experimental data [17,20]. Since  $|T_j|^2$  ( $j=1,2,3$ ) and  $|S_j|^2$  ( $j=\alpha,\beta$ ) are small compared to  $|U_\alpha|^2$  and  $|U_\beta|^2$  for  $p_{\Sigma^+}=170$  MeV as shown in Fig. 1, the differential cross section is governed mainly by  $4|U_\alpha|^2 + \frac{3}{4}|U_\beta|^2$  according to Eq. (26), where the calculated  $|U_\alpha|$  and  $|U_\beta|$  complement each other:  $|U_\beta|$  given by the NSC97a potential is larger than that by the other versions of the interaction as shown in Fig. 1, but the excess is compensated by the smallness of  $|U_\alpha|$ , giving the resultant cross section similar to other calculations as seen in Fig. 5(a).

### C. Analyzing powers

The calculated difference and average of the  $\Sigma^+$  analyzing power  $A_y(\Sigma^+)$  and the proton analyzing power  $A_y(p)$ ,

$$\Delta A_y = A_y(\Sigma^+) - A_y(p), \quad (52a)$$

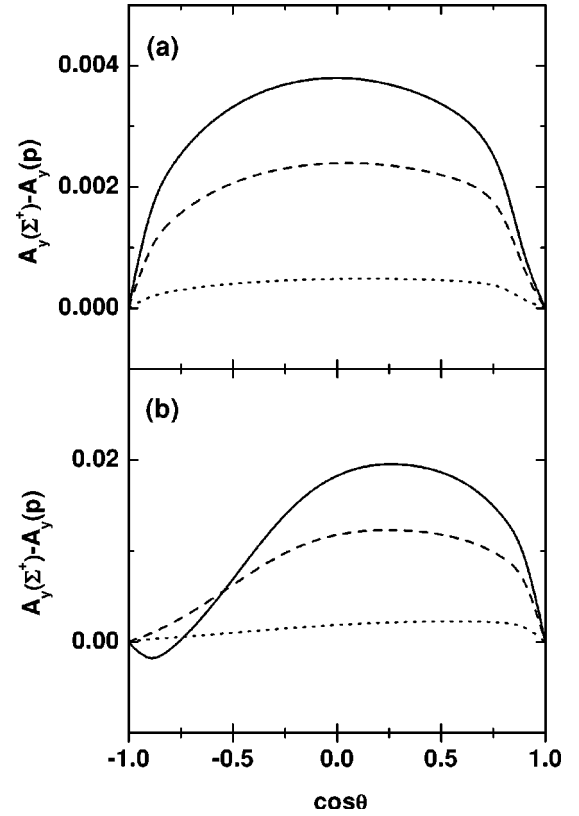


FIG. 6. The difference of the vector analyzing powers  $A_y(\Sigma^+) - A_y(p)$  for the  $\Sigma^+p$  scattering at  $p_{\Sigma^+}=170$  MeV/ $c$  (a) and 450 MeV/ $c$  (b). See the caption of Fig. 1 for the definitions of the theoretical curves.

$$A_y^{\text{avr}} = \frac{1}{2}[A_y(\Sigma^+) + A_y(p)], \quad (52b)$$

are plotted, respectively, in Figs. 6 and 7 for the  $\Sigma^+p$  scattering at  $p_{\Sigma^+}=170$  and 450 MeV/ $c$ . Contrary to the similarity in the calculated differential cross sections among the NSC97 models, the difference in the linear combinations of the calculated vector analyzing powers among the NSC97 models is significant. The calculated difference  $\Delta A_y$  reflects evenly the magnitude of the ALS interaction, giving the largest magnitude for the NSC97a model and the smallest one for the NSC97f model. On the other hand, the average of the analyzing powers  $A_y^{\text{avr}}$  is rather confusing. While NSC97a and NSC97c give almost the same magnitudes of the SLS amplitude, which are larger than that of NSC97f, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, the calculations of  $A_y^{\text{avr}}$  do not reflect this tendency. Particularly,  $A_y^{\text{avr}}$  for the NSC97a potential has the opposite sign to that for other versions at some angles. This happens due to the sensitivity of  $A_y^{\text{avr}}$  not only on the SLS amplitude  $S_\alpha$  but also on a combination of the scalar amplitudes, the spin-independent amplitude  $U_\alpha$  and the spin-spin one  $U_\beta$  as seen in Eq. (28a). The dependence on the combination of scalar amplitudes overrides that on the SLS amplitude in  $A_y^{\text{avr}}$ , while this is not the case for  $\Delta A_y$ . We therefore conclude that the spin-independent and spin-spin central interactions in  $YN$  scattering should be determined from other sources in order to obtain unique information of  $LS$  interactions from measurements of analyzing powers.

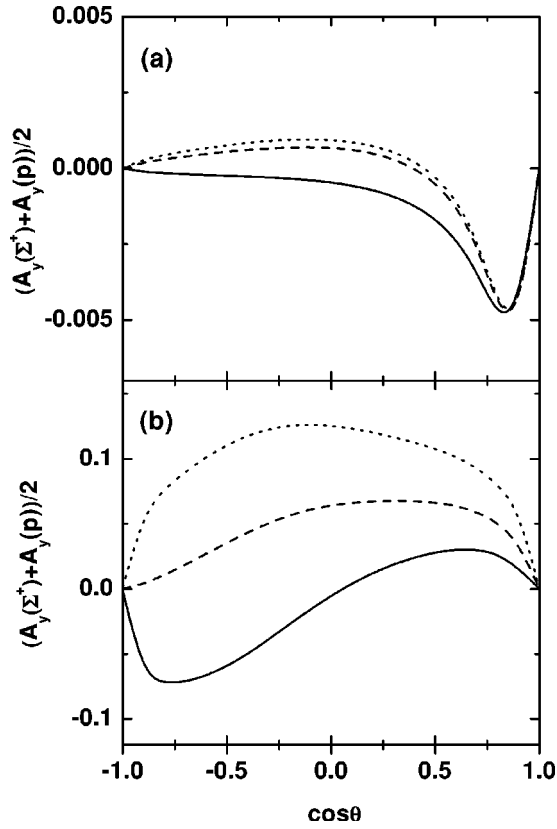


FIG. 7. The average of the vector analyzing powers  $[A_y(\Sigma^+) + A_y(p)]/2$  for the  $\Sigma^+p$  scattering at  $p_{\Sigma^+}=170$  MeV/c (a) and 450 MeV/c (b). See the caption of Fig. 1 for the definitions of the theoretical curves.

#### D. Depolarizations

Information on the scalar interactions can be obtained from, for example, depolarizations as discussed in the preceding section. Figure 8 displays the average of the diagonal elements of depolarizations,  $D$  in Eq. (35), for the  $\Sigma^+p$  scattering at  $p_{\Sigma^+}=450$  MeV/c and the quantities defined as

$$|\tilde{U}_\alpha| \equiv |N_R(1+3D)|^{1/2}/4, \quad (53a)$$

$$|\tilde{U}_\beta| \equiv |N_R(1-D)|^{1/2}, \quad (53b)$$

which are predicted to give scalar amplitudes  $|U_\alpha|$  and  $|U_\beta|$ , respectively, using Eq. (37). In the figure, the average depolarization  $D$  varies among the three versions of the NSC97 interaction, particularly with different signs at backward angles for NSC97a and NSC97f. The extracted scalar amplitudes  $|\tilde{U}_\alpha|$  and  $|\tilde{U}_\beta|$  follow the tendency of the amplitudes in Fig. 2 except  $|\tilde{U}_\beta|$  at backward angles, where effects from the tensor amplitude  $T_1$  may not be neglected. Thus  $\sigma(1+3D)$  and  $\sigma(1-D)$  at middle and forward angles will be good measures of the spin-independent and spin-spin central interactions. It should be noted that the components of  $D$ , i.e.,  $D_x^x$ ,  $D_y^y$ , and  $D_z^z$ , also distinguish the above versions of the interaction as well as  $D$ , although their interaction dependence is not displayed at present. However,  $D$  is favorable to identify

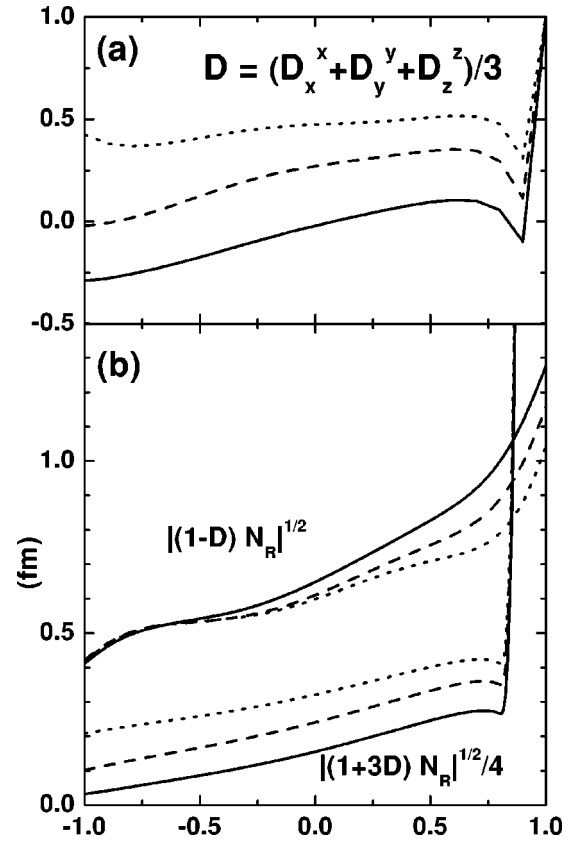


FIG. 8. (a) The average of the diagonal depolarizations of  $\Sigma^+$  using Eq. (35), and (b) the extracted scalar amplitudes using Eq. (37) for the  $\Sigma^+p$  scattering at  $p_{\Sigma^+}=450$  MeV/c. See the caption of Fig. 1 for the definitions of the theoretical curves.

the contribution of the spin-independent interaction and that of the spin-spin one separately.

#### V. SUMMARY

In the  $YN$  scattering, we have investigated the contributions of the spin-dependent interactions to the observables by decomposing the scattering amplitudes according to the tensorial property in the spin space, so that the contributions of the interactions are individually identified. In terms of such amplitudes, the expressions for the polarization observables are derived for general scattering.

For the elastic scattering, we have found some linear combinations of the observables to be sensitive to particular interactions and thus to be favorable for studying contributions of the interactions. In fact, the contributions of the SLS interaction and those of the ALS one are separated from each other by considering the linear combinations of the vector analyzing powers, the spin correlation coefficients, the polarization transfer coefficients, etc., each of which is proportional to the strength of the SLS or ALS interactions. Similar linear combinations have been found to be sensitive to the tensor interactions and the spin-independent and spin-spin central ones.

A part of the theoretical predictions is numerically examined for the  $\Sigma^+p$  scattering as an example. The observables

have been calculated by the use of the series of the NSC97 interactions, and it has been found that some linear combinations of the observables are useful to distinguish the different versions of the interaction even when their cross sections are so similar to be indistinguishable.

The total cross section has been investigated for the unpolarized beam and target as well as for the longitudinal-polarized ones and for the transverse-polarized ones. These provide the imaginary parts of the amplitude of the forward scattering by the spin-independent central interactions, the spin-spin central ones, and the tensor ones. Measurements of these cross sections in scattering of neutral hyperons by the proton therefore will provide important information on the interactions, particularly on the nature of the coupling with the related reaction channels.

Due to the significance of information on the  $YN$  interaction, we hope more experiments will be performed for polarization phenomena in the  $YN$  scattering so that the details of the interactions, which include the spin dependence, will be determined.

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### APPENDIX A: SPIN-SPACE TENSOR COMPONENTS OF SCATTERING AMPLITUDE

The  $T$  matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  for general scattering  $a+b \rightarrow c+d$  with a given parity is described as

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} A & B & C & D \\ E & F & G & H \\ -H & G & F & -E \\ D & -C & -B & A \end{pmatrix}, \quad (\text{A1})$$

where rows are designated by the spin  $z$  components  $\nu_a$  and  $\nu_b$  as  $(\nu_a, \nu_b) = (1/2, 1/2)$ ,  $(1/2, -1/2)$ ,  $(-1/2, 1/2)$ , and  $(-1/2, -1/2)$  from left to right, and the columns by  $\nu_c$  and  $\nu_d$  as  $(\nu_c, \nu_d) = (1/2, 1/2)$ ,  $(1/2, -1/2)$ ,  $(-1/2, 1/2)$ , and  $(-1/2, -1/2)$  from top to bottom. Applying Eq. (2) to  $A, \dots, H$  in Eq. (A1), we get

$$A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}U_1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}T_1, \quad (\text{A2a})$$

$$B = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}S_1 + \frac{1}{2}S_3 - \frac{1}{2}T_2, \quad (\text{A2b})$$

$$C = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}S_1 + \frac{1}{2}S_3 - \frac{1}{2}T_2, \quad (\text{A2c})$$

$$D = T_3, \quad (\text{A2d})$$

$$E = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}S_2 - \frac{1}{2}S_3 - \frac{1}{2}T_2, \quad (\text{A2e})$$

$$F = \frac{1}{2}U_0 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}U_1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}T_1, \quad (\text{A2f})$$

$$G = -\frac{1}{2}U_0 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}U_1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}T_1, \quad (\text{A2g})$$

$$H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}S_2 + \frac{1}{2}S_3 + \frac{1}{2}T_2. \quad (\text{A2h})$$

Conversely one can calculate  $U_j$ ,  $S_j$ , and  $T_j$  from  $A, \dots, H$ ,

$$U_0 = F - G, \quad (\text{A3a})$$

$$U_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(2A + F + G), \quad (\text{A3b})$$

$$S_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(B - C), \quad (\text{A3c})$$

$$S_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(E + H), \quad (\text{A3d})$$

$$S_3 = \frac{1}{2}(B + C - E + H), \quad (\text{A3e})$$

$$T_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}(A - F - G), \quad (\text{A3f})$$

$$T_2 = -\frac{1}{2}(B + C + E - H), \quad (\text{A3g})$$

$$T_3 = D. \quad (\text{A3h})$$

### APPENDIX B: TIME-REVERSAL THEOREM IN ELASTIC SCATTERING

In this appendix, we will give the derivation of the relationships due to the time-reversal theorem for the vector amplitudes, Eq. (11), and the tensor ones, Eq. (12).

The time-reversal theorem is described as [15]

$$\langle \nu_c \nu_d; \mathbf{k}_f | \mathbf{M} | \nu_a \nu_b; \mathbf{k}_i \rangle = (-)^{\nu_c + \nu_d - \nu_a - \nu_b} \langle -\nu_a - \nu_b; -\mathbf{k}_i | \bar{\mathbf{M}} | -\nu_c - \nu_d; -\mathbf{k}_f \rangle, \quad (\text{B1})$$

where  $\bar{\mathbf{M}}$  is the  $T$  matrix for the inverse reaction. One can transform this relation to that for the amplitude  $M_\kappa^{(K)}(s_i s_f; \mathbf{k}_i \mathbf{k}_f)$  in Eq. (2) as

$$M_\kappa^{(K)}(s_i s_f; \mathbf{k}_i \mathbf{k}_f) = (-)^{s_i + s_f - K} \bar{M}_\kappa^{(K)}(s_f s_i; -\mathbf{k}_f, -\mathbf{k}_i). \quad (\text{B2})$$

We will transform the amplitude in the right-hand side of the above equation so that the directions of the momentum of the incident particle and that of the outgoing one are, respectively, same as those in the left-hand side amplitude. Since  $\bar{\mathbf{M}}$

is the same as  $\mathbf{M}$  for the elastic scattering, the transformation is described by the use of the rotation matrix  $D$  [21] as

$$\bar{M}_\kappa^{(K)}(s_f s_i; -\mathbf{k}_f, -\mathbf{k}_i) = \sum_{\kappa'} D_{\kappa\kappa'}(\pi - \theta, 0, \pi) M_{\kappa'}^{(K)}(s_f s_i; \mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{k}_f). \quad (\text{B3})$$

This leads to, for  $K=1$ ,

$$M_1^{(1)}(01; \mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{k}_f) = -M_1^{(1)}(10; \mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{k}_f) \quad (\text{B4})$$

and, for  $K=2$ ,

$$-\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{M_0^{(2)}(11; \mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{k}_f)}{\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta} = \frac{M_1^{(2)}(11; \mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{k}_f)}{\cos \theta \sin \theta} = M_2^{(2)}(11; \mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{k}_f), \quad (\text{B5})$$

which provides

$$\frac{1}{2} \left( \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} M_0^{(2)}(11; \mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{k}_f) - M_2^{(2)}(11; \mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{k}_f) \right) = -\cot \theta M_1^{(2)}(11; \mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{k}_f). \quad (\text{B6})$$

Equations (B4) and (B6) are rewritten as

$$S_1 = -S_2 \quad (\text{B7})$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2} \left( \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} T_1 - T_3 \right) = -\cot \theta T_2. \quad (\text{B8})$$

### APPENDIX C: DEPOLARIZATIONS, POLARIZATION TRANSFERS, AND SPIN CORRELATIONS IN GENERAL SCATTERING BETWEEN SPIN-1/2 PARTICLES

In this appendix, the depolarizations  $D_i^j(a)$  defined in Eq. (29), polarization transfer coefficients  $K_i^j(a \rightarrow d)$  in Eq. (30), and spin correlation coefficients  $C_{ij}$  in Eq. (31) are described in terms of the amplitudes in Eqs. (6)–(8) for the case of general scattering between two spin-1/2 particles.

The depolarizations of  $a$  are described as

$$D_x^x(a) = \frac{4}{N_R} \text{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \left( U_0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* U_1 + \frac{1}{2} \left( U_0 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* \right. \\ \times \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 - T_3 \right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (S_1 - S_2)^* S_3 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (S_1 + S_2)^* T_2 \\ \left. - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 + T_3 \right) \right\}, \quad (\text{C1})$$

$$D_y^y(a) = \frac{4}{N_R} \text{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \left( U_0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* U_1 + \frac{1}{2} \left( U_0 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* \right. \\ \times \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 + T_3 \right) - S_1^* S_2 + \frac{1}{2} |S_3|^2 \\ \left. - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 - T_3 \right) - \frac{1}{2} |T_2|^2 \right\}, \quad (\text{C2})$$

$$D_z^z(a) = \frac{4}{N_R} \text{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \left( U_0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* U_1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \left( U_0 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* T_1 \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (S_1 - S_2)^* S_3 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (S_1 + S_2)^* T_2 \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{6} |T_1|^2 - |T_3|^2 \right) \right\}, \quad (\text{C3})$$

$$D_x^z(a) = \frac{4}{N_R} \text{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left( U_0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* S_3 - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{3}} U_1^* (S_1 - S_2) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2} \left( U_0 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* T_2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} S_1^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 - T_3 \right) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} S_2^* T_1 \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2} S_3^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 + T_3 \right) - \frac{1}{2} T_2^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 + T_3 \right) \right\}, \quad (\text{C4})$$

$$D_z^x(a) = \frac{4}{N_R} \text{Re} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left( U_0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* S_3 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{3}} U_1^* (S_1 - S_2) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2} \left( U_0 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* T_2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} S_1^* T_1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} S_2^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 - T_3 \right) \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{2} S_3^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 + T_3 \right) - \frac{1}{2} T_2^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 + T_3 \right) \right\}. \quad (\text{C5})$$

The polarization transfer coefficients from  $a$  to  $d$  are described as

$$K_x^x(a \rightarrow d) = \frac{4}{N_R} \text{Re} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \left( U_0 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* U_1 \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{2} \left( U_0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 - T_3 \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (S_1 + S_2)^* S_3 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (S_1 - S_2)^* T_2 \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 + T_3 \right) \right\}, \quad (\text{C6})$$

$$K_y^y(a \rightarrow d) = \frac{4}{N_R} \text{Re} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \left( U_0 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* U_1 \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{2} \left( U_0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 + T_3 \right) + S_1^* S_2 + \frac{1}{2} |S_3|^2 \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 - T_3 \right) - \frac{1}{2} |T_2|^2 \right\}, \quad (\text{C7})$$

$$K_z^z(a \rightarrow d) = \frac{4}{N_R} \text{Re} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \left( U_0 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* U_1 \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \left( U_0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* T_1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (S_1 + S_2)^* S_3 \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (S_1 - S_2)^* T_2 + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{6} |T_1|^2 - |T_3|^2 \right) \right\}, \quad (\text{C8})$$

$$K_x^z(a \rightarrow d) = \frac{4}{N_R} \text{Re} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left( U_0 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* S_3 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} U_1^* (S_1 + S_2) \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{2} \left( U_0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* T_2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} S_1^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 - T_3 \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} S_2^* T_1 + \frac{1}{2} S_3^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 + T_3 \right) \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{2} T_2^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 + T_3 \right) \right\}, \quad (\text{C9})$$

$$K_z^x(a \rightarrow d) = \frac{4}{N_R} \text{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left( U_0 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* S_3 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} U_1^* (S_1 + S_2) \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{2} \left( U_0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1 \right)^* T_2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} S_1^* T_1 \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} S_2^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 - T_3 \right) - \frac{1}{2} S_3^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 + T_3 \right) \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{2} T_2^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 + T_3 \right) \right\}. \quad (\text{C10})$$

$$C_{xx} = \frac{1}{N_R} \text{Re} \left\{ -|U_0|^2 + \frac{1}{3} |U_1|^2 - \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} U_1^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 - T_3 \right) \right. \\ \left. + 2(-|S_1|^2 + |S_2|^2) - 4S_3^* T_2 + \frac{4}{\sqrt{6}} T_1^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 + T_3 \right) \right\}, \quad (\text{C11})$$

$$C_{yy} = \frac{1}{N_R} \text{Re} \left\{ -|U_0|^2 + \frac{1}{3} |U_1|^2 - \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} U_1^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 + T_3 \right) \right. \\ \left. - 2(|S_1|^2 + |S_2|^2 - |S_3|^2) + \frac{4}{\sqrt{6}} T_1^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 - T_3 \right) + 2|T_2|^2 \right\}, \quad (\text{C12})$$

$$C_{zz} = \frac{1}{N_R} \text{Re} \left\{ -|U_0|^2 + \frac{1}{3} |U_1|^2 + \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{3} U_1^* T_1 + 2(-|S_1|^2 + |S_2|^2) \right. \\ \left. + 4S_3^* T_2 - \frac{1}{3} |T_1|^2 + 2|T_3|^2 \right\}, \quad (\text{C13})$$

$$C_{xz} = \frac{4}{N_R} \text{Re} \left\{ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} U_0^* S_2 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} S_1 + T_2 \right) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} S_1^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + T_3 \right) + \frac{1}{2} S_3^* \left( \frac{3}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 - T_3 \right) + \frac{1}{2} T_2^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 + T_3 \right) \right\}. \quad (\text{C14})$$

$$C_{zx} = \frac{4}{N_R} \text{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} U_0^* S_2 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} U_1^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} S_1 - T_2 \right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} S_1^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + T_3 \right) + \frac{1}{2} S_3^* \left( \frac{3}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 - T_3 \right) + \frac{1}{2} T_2^* \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} T_1 + T_3 \right) \right\}. \quad (\text{C15})$$

For the combinations of  $i$  and  $j$ ,  $(ij) = (xy), (yx), (yz), (zy)$ , the quantities  $D_{ij}^i$ ,  $K_{ij}^i$ , and  $C_{ij}$  automatically vanish.

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