The transformation of a SEXT is given as

$$\exp(: F_{\text{in}} :) \exp(: aL :) \exp(: H_2/2 :) \exp(: bL :)$$

 $\times \exp(: V_2 :) \exp(: aL :) \exp(: H_2/2 :) \exp(: bL :) \exp(: F_{\text{out}} :),$

where L and H_2 are the Hamiltonians of a drift of length L and a thin sextupole kick with integrated strength K2:

$$H_2 = \frac{\mathbb{K}2}{3!} \Re(x - iy)^3,$$

respectively. The coefficients are $a \equiv 1/2 - 1/\sqrt{12}$ and b = 1/2 - a. Terms exp(: $F_{\rm in}$:) and exp(: $F_{\rm out}$:) are transformation nonlinear fringes. The term exp(: V_2 :) is a correction to adjust the third-order terms in L:

$$V_2 = \sum_{j=(x,y),k=(x,y)} -\frac{\beta}{2} H_{2,k}^2 + \gamma H_{2,j} H_{2,k} H_{2,j,k} ,$$

where , i represents the derivative by x or y. We have also introduced two coefficients $\beta \equiv 1/6 - 1/\sqrt{48}$ and $\gamma = 1/40 - 1/2$