

The transformation of a OCT is given as

$$\exp(: F_{\text{in}} :)\exp(: aL :)\exp(: H_3/2 :)\exp(: bL :)\times \exp(: V_3 :)\exp(: aL :)\exp(: H_3/2 :)\exp(: bL :)\exp(: F_{\text{out}} :),$$

where  $L$  and  $H_3$  are the Hamiltonians of a drift of length  $L$  and a thin octupole kick with integrated strength  $K_3$ :

$$H_3 = \frac{K_3}{4!}\Re(x - iy)^4,$$

respectively. The coeffients are  $a \equiv 1/2 - 1/\sqrt{12}$  and  $b = 1/2 - a$ . Terms  $\exp(: F_{\text{in}} :)$  and  $\exp(: F_{\text{out}} :)$  are transformation nonlinear fringes. The term  $\exp(: V_3 :)$  is a correction to adjust the third-order terms in  $L$ :

$$V_3 = \sum_{j=(x,y),k=(x,y)} -\frac{\beta}{2}H_{3,k}^2 + \gamma H_{3,j}H_{3,k}H_{3,j,k},$$

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