

Deuteron Compton scattering in effective field theory: Spin-dependent cross sections and asymmetries

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Polarized Compton scattering on the deuteron is studied in nuclear effective field theory. A set of tensor structures is introduced to define 12 independent Compton amplitudes. The scalar and vector amplitudes are calculated up to next-to-next-to-leading order in low-energy power counting. Significant contribution to the vector amplitudes is found to come from the spin-orbit type of relativistic corrections. A double-helicity-dependent cross section $\Delta_1 d\sigma/d\Omega = (d\sigma_{+1-1} - d\sigma_{-1+1})/2d\Omega$ is calculated to the same order, and the effect of the nucleon isoscalar spin-dependent polarizabilities is found to be smaller than the effect of isoscalar spin-independent ones. Contributions of spin-independent polarizabilities are investigated in various asymmetries, one of which has an effect as large as 12% (26%) at the center-of-mass photon energy 30 (50) MeV.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Compton scattering is an important tool for probing the internal structure of a composite system, such as atomic nuclei. As quantum electrodynamics involved in the process is well understood, the remaining uncertainty is associated with the strong interactions among nucleons in nuclei. Thus, Compton scattering data enable physicists to extract information about the nuclear structure from the underlying strong interaction dynamics. Recent progress in high-energy, high-intensity photon beams has made Compton scattering a practical tool for nuclear physicists [1]. In particular, a polarized photon beam is capable of studying spin aspects of strong interaction physics. This paper focuses on polarized Compton scattering on the deuteron, the double-helicity-dependent cross section, and various asymmetries in particular, in the framework of nuclear effective field theory (EFT).

The deuteron, as the simplest nuclear system, is of great importance to understanding the nucleon-nucleon interactions and the properties of individual nucleons. Polarized Compton scattering on the deuteron presents a new opportunity to probe spin physics. Indeed, because the deuteron is a loosely bound system, one might expect to learn a host of spin-dependent properties of the neutron and proton as free particles. This possibility is especially important to studying the structure of the neutron because there is no free-neutron target in nature.

It has been realized for some time that nuclear physics at low energy might be understood by EFT, which works according to the same principles as the standard model [2] in the sense that they both involve low-energy expansion of some underlying fundamental theories. However, constructing a workable EFT scheme for specific systems is not straightforward. In the past few years, considerable progress has been made in the two-nucleon sector (see [3] for a recent review). It began with

the pioneering work of Weinberg, who proposed to encode the short-distance physics in a derivative expansion of local operators [2]. The problem associated with the unusually small binding energy of the deuteron was solved by Kaplan, Savage, and Wise by exploiting the freedom of choosing a renormalization subtraction scheme [4], which was quickly followed by the pionless version [5] (see also [6–8]). Because it required reproducing the residue of the deuteron pole at next-to-leading order (NLO), a version with accelerated convergence was suggested in [9]. The use of dibaryon fields as auxiliary fields, first introduced in [10], was taken seriously in [11], which simplified the calculation significantly.

From the viewpoint of nuclear EFT, Compton scattering on the deuteron at low energy can be divided into two regions according to the photon energy ω . Region I is where the photon energy is far below the binding energy of deuteron $B = 2.2$ MeV and, hence, ω/B is a small parameter. Region II is where the photon energy is above the binding energy, but significantly below the mass of the pion, for example, $\omega \sim 50$ MeV. In region I, one makes the low-energy expansion of Compton amplitudes and studies various polarizabilities of the deuteron defined through the expansion [12]. Studies in this ultra-low-energy region, where the binding effect plays a dominant role, provide insight into the internal structure of the deuteron as a bound state. In region II, the probing photon is more sensitive to the responses from individual nucleons. Therefore, Compton scattering there may serve as an alternative tool for studying free-nucleon properties, such as spin-independent and -dependent polarizabilities. In this paper, we are mostly interested in the second region.

Extracting the isoscalar spin-independent polarizabilities α_0 and β_0 from unpolarized Compton scattering has attracted considerable attention in the past two decades. Although three types of amplitudes (scalar, vector, and tensor) contribute to the cross section, only the scalar amplitudes have so far been included in some of the calculations of the unpolarized cross section. Nuclear EFT seems to provide a justification for this. However, a recent work [13] showed that vector amplitudes

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contribute significantly (15% or more) to the unpolarized cross section, because of the enhancement from a factor of the square of the isovector magnetic moment μ_1^2 . It turns out that this enhancement has its effect not only on unpolarized but also on polarized scattering, leading to, for instance, a bigger helicity-dependent cross section. Although this makes it easier to measure it experimentally, the effect also diminishes the contribution from the isoscalar nucleon spin-dependent polarizabilities and hence makes it harder to access them from the future Compton data.

To demonstrate the above point, we calculate a double-helicity-dependent (vector-polarized) cross section up to the order at which the spin polarizabilities contribute, and compare the results with and without their contribution. The photon-nucleon interactions considered in this calculation include the electric current and magnetic couplings, and the spin-orbit terms from the nonrelativistic reduction of the relativistic interactions. Studies have demonstrated that the relativistic corrections are surprisingly large in potential model calculations [14–18]. In EFT, the spin-orbit interactions were taken into account in the studies of the deuteron forward spin-dependent polarizabilities [12] and the Drell-Hearn-Gerasimov sum rule [19]. They were neglected in other EFT calculations because they are nominally suppressed in power counting by $1/M_N$ relative to the other two couplings. However, for certain spin-dependent observables, their contributions can be of leading order, as we shall see.

The paper is organized as follows. Section II is devoted to kinematics, where we write 12 basis structures for scattering amplitudes using parity and time-reversal symmetries. The scalar and vector structures are the same as those in Compton scattering on a spin-1/2 particle such as the proton. The tensor structures are new and useful for general discussions of polarized deuteron Compton scattering. Section III explains a calculation of the vector Compton amplitudes using the dibaryon formulation of EFT. Power counting in both regions I and II is explained to show the significant contribution of the spin-orbit interactions. The result of individual diagrams is listed in App. B. In Sec. IV, a double-helicity-dependent (vector-polarized) cross section is defined, and the numerical result is presented with and without the contribution from the nucleon spin-dependent polarizabilities. The feasibility of using polarized Compton data to extract these polarizabilities is discussed. In Sec. V, we investigate the effect of the spin-independent polarizabilities on a number of spin asymmetries. Section VI presents our conclusions.

II. REAL PHOTON-DEUTERON COMPTON SCATTERING AMPLITUDES

In this section, the general tensor structure of the amplitudes for real photon Compton scattering on a deuteron is considered. Through helicity counting, it is easy to see that there are a total of 12 independent amplitudes. We choose these amplitudes on a basis convenient for subsequent calculations. We comment on the frame dependence of the tensor structures associated with the amplitudes.

The real photon has two independent helicities, ± 1 ; the deuteron has three, ± 1 and 0. Therefore, the total number of helicity amplitudes is $2 \times 3 \times 2 \times 3 = 36$. Parity invariance of strong and electromagnetic interactions restricts the number of independent ones to $36/2 = 18$. Among those, time-reversal symmetry relates six to the others with initial and final state exchanged. This reduces the number of independent amplitudes to $18 - 6 = 12$. Moreover, the general result of helicity counting can be derived, and it is $2(J+1)(2J+1)$ for a spin- J target.

In the low-energy region, it is convenient to use the nonrelativistic notation for tensor structures associated with the amplitudes. If the spins of the initial and final deuterons are coupled, the sum is 0, 1, or 2. The amplitudes classified in this way are called scalar, vector, and tensor, respectively. Clearly, the number of scalar amplitudes must be the same as that of Compton scattering amplitudes on a spin-0 target, namely, 2; and the number of vector amplitudes is the same as that on a spin-1/2 target, 4. Thus the number of independent tensor amplitudes is $12 - 2 - 4 = 6$.

In the remainder of this section, we construct a set of 12 linearly independent structures, using the three-momenta of the photon and deuteron, and their polarization vectors. Among four three-momenta, only three are independent because of the momentum conservation. By choosing a specific frame, one more constraint follows, and hence only initial and final 3-momenta of photon, $\vec{k}$ and $\vec{k}'$, are needed for the construction. The initial and final three-momenta of the deuteron, $\vec{p}$ and $\vec{p}'$, can be expressed in terms of these of the photon. For example, the laboratory frame is defined by $\vec{p} = 0$ and $\vec{p}' = \vec{k} - \vec{k}'$, the center-of-mass (c.m.) frame by $\vec{p} = -\vec{k}$ and $\vec{p}' = -\vec{k}'$, and the so-called Breit frame by $\vec{p} = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{k}' - \vec{k})$ and $\vec{p}' = -\frac{1}{2}(\vec{k}' - \vec{k})$ and so $\vec{p} + \vec{p}' = 0$. The constraints among momenta associated with a frame are generally not invariant under symmetries such as time reversal, which exchanges the initial and final momenta and reverses their directions, and photon crossing symmetry, which exchanges the initial and final photon with the sign of energy and three-momenta flipped. For instance, the momentum constraint in the laboratory frame is not invariant under either time-reversal or crossing symmetry, while the momentum constraint in the c.m. frame violates crossing symmetry.

According to the above, in the c.m. and Breit frames where parity and time-reversal invariance are manifest, there are 12 independent tensor structures for the Compton amplitudes. These structures are constructed out of initial and final photon polarization vectors ($\hat{\epsilon}'^*$ and $\hat{\epsilon}$), deuteron polarization vectors ($\hat{\xi}'^*$ and $\hat{\xi}$), and the initial and final photon momentum vectors $\hat{k} = \vec{k}/|\vec{k}|$ and $\hat{k}' = \vec{k}'/|\vec{k}'|$. One can couple ($\hat{\xi}'^*$ and $\hat{\xi}$) into scalar, vector, and tensor to obtain scalar, vector, and tensor amplitudes. Alternatively, these structures can be obtained by the matrix element of a unit matrix I , spin matrices J_i , or tensor ($J_i J_j + J_j J_i - \text{trace}$) between the initial and final deuteron polarization vectors. Under parity transformation, all momentum and polarization vectors change sign, whereas the spin matrices do not. Under time-reversal transformation, these quantities transform according to $\hat{\epsilon} \Leftrightarrow \hat{\epsilon}'^*$; $\hat{k} \Leftrightarrow -\hat{k}'$; and $\vec{J} \Rightarrow -\vec{J}$.

Requiring symmetry under both parity and time reversal, we choose the 12 basis structures for Compton scattering on the deuteron to be

$$\begin{aligned}
\rho_1 &= \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon} I = \epsilon'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon} \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\xi}, \\
\rho_2 &= \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{s} I = \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{s} \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\xi}, \\
\rho_3 &= i J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^* \times \hat{\epsilon} = (\hat{\xi}'^* \times \hat{\xi}) \cdot (\hat{\epsilon}'^* \times \hat{\epsilon}), \\
\rho_4 &= i J \cdot \hat{s}'^* \times \hat{s} = (\hat{\xi}'^* \times \hat{\xi}) \cdot (\hat{s}'^* \times \hat{s}), \\
\rho_5 &= i(J \cdot \hat{k} \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon} - J \cdot \hat{k}' \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{s}) \\
&= [(\hat{\xi}'^* \times \hat{\xi}) \cdot \hat{k} \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon} - (\hat{\xi}'^* \times \hat{\xi}) \cdot \hat{k}' \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{s}], \\
\rho_6 &= i(J \cdot \hat{k}' \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon} - J \cdot \hat{k} \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{s}) \\
&= [(\hat{\xi}'^* \times \hat{\xi}) \cdot \hat{k}' \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon} - (\hat{\xi}'^* \times \hat{\xi}) \cdot \hat{k} \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{s}], \\
\rho_7 &= -\left(J \cdot \hat{\epsilon} J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^* + J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^* J \cdot \hat{\epsilon} - \frac{4}{3} \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon} I\right) \\
&= \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^* \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{\epsilon} + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^* - \frac{2}{3} \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\xi} \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon}, \\
\rho_8 &= -\left(J \cdot \hat{s} J \cdot \hat{s}'^* + J \cdot \hat{s}'^* J \cdot \hat{s} - \frac{4}{3} \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{s} I\right) \\
&= \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{s}'^* \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{s} + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{s} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{s}'^* - \frac{2}{3} \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\xi} \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{s}, \\
\rho_9 &= -\hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{k}(J \cdot \hat{\epsilon} J \cdot \hat{k}' + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}) - \hat{\epsilon} \cdot \hat{k}'(J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^* J \cdot \hat{k} \\
&\quad + J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^*) + \frac{8}{3} \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{\epsilon} \cdot \hat{k}' I \\
&= \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{k}(\hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k}' \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{\epsilon} + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}') + \hat{\epsilon} \cdot \hat{k}'(\hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^* \\
&\quad + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^* \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}) - \frac{4}{3} \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\xi} \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{\epsilon} \cdot \hat{k}', \\
\rho_{10} &= -\hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{k}(J \cdot \hat{s} J \cdot \hat{k}' + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{s}) - \hat{s} \cdot \hat{k}'(J \cdot \hat{s}'^* J \cdot \hat{k} \\
&\quad + J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{s}'^*) + \frac{8}{3} \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{s} \cdot \hat{k}' I \\
&= \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{k}(\hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k}' \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{s} + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{s} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}') + \hat{s} \cdot \hat{k}'(\hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{s}'^* \\
&\quad + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{s}'^* \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}) - \frac{4}{3} \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\xi} \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{s} \cdot \hat{k}', \\
\rho_{11} &= -\hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon} \left(J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{k} + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{k}' - \frac{4}{3} I\right) \\
&= \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon} \left(\hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k} + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k}' \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}' - \frac{2}{3} \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\xi}\right), \\
\rho_{12} &= -\hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{s} \left(J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{k} + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{k}' - \frac{4}{3} I\right) \\
&= \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{s} \left(\hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k} + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k}' \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}' - \frac{2}{3} \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\xi}\right), \quad (1)
\end{aligned}$$

where the $\hat{s}$ and $\hat{s}'^*$ are defined as $\hat{s} = \hat{k} \times \hat{\epsilon}$ and $\hat{s}'^* = \hat{k}' \times \hat{\epsilon}'^*$. When writing in terms of matrix I and J , one should understand these structures as being sandwiched between the $\hat{\xi}'^*$ and $\hat{\xi}$. These structures are constructed in such a way that duality between the electric and magnetic fields is manifest. Under the dual transformation, $\hat{\epsilon} \Rightarrow \hat{s}$, $\hat{s} \Rightarrow -\hat{\epsilon}$, which is a $\pi/2$ rotation in the photon polarization, the above structures transform as $\rho_{2i-1} \Leftrightarrow \rho_{2i}$ with $i = 1, \dots, 6$. The structures with the unit matrix and spin operators (ρ_1 to ρ_6) are the same as those for a spin-1/2 target [20]. Appendix A explains why these 12 structures are complete and independent.

The most general Compton scattering amplitude on the deuteron can be expressed as

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^{12} f_i \rho_i, \quad (2)$$

where f_i defines the spin-dependent amplitudes. The first two ($i = 1, 2$) are scalar amplitudes; the following four ($i = 3, \dots, 6$) are vector amplitudes; and the last six ($i = 7, \dots, 12$) are tensor amplitudes.

III. VECTOR COMPTON AMPLITUDES TO $\mathcal{O}(Q/\Lambda)^4$ FROM EFT

In this section, the vector Compton amplitudes are calculated in a low-energy expansion in nuclear EFT. The expansion parameter here is generically denoted as Q/Λ , with Q indicating the low-momentum scale to be specified later. A central concept in EFT is power counting in Q/Λ or, if without confusion, Q . As it will be clear soon, the leading-order vector amplitudes start at $\mathcal{O}[(Q/\Lambda)^2]$, and we calculate them here up to next-to-next-to leading order, namely, $\mathcal{O}[(Q/\Lambda)^4]$. The calculation is based on the dibaryon approach in the pionless theory, which has been referred to as dEFT(π) [11].

EFT is designed to describe physics at one scale—low-energy scale in this case—using an effective Lagrangian, and the physics at other scales is accounted for through the couplings. Power counting allows a systematic way to take into account corrections from other energy scales. For Compton scattering on the deuteron, the natural momentum scale is $\sqrt{M_N B}$ (M_N is the nucleon mass) which will be generically referred to as Q . The deuteron binding energy B is then counted as order of Q^2 . The energy and momentum of the external photon probe, $\omega = |\vec{k}|$, is counted as

- Q^2 in region I, where $\omega \ll B$, and as
- Q in region II, where $\omega \sim \sqrt{M_N B}$.

The high-energy scales include the nucleon mass M_N , the pion mass m_π , and similar scales describing the structure of the nucleon, like the charge radius, and parameters in nucleon-nucleon interactions. Because m_π and M_N are very different, we use Λ to denote scales at around m_π and identify m_π/M_N as Q/Λ . Therefore, ratio Q/M_N can actually be treated as $(Q/\Lambda)^2$. Although this is not fully consistent in the EFT sense, it is a way to phenomenologically organize numerically close ratios [21].

In dEFT(π), the nucleon rescattering in both singlet $1S_0$ and triplet $3S_1$ channels is represented by the propagation of the dibaryon fields t_j and s_a , respectively. The Lagrangian density for the triplet channel is [11]

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L} &= N^\dagger \left[i \partial_0 + \frac{\mathbf{D}^2}{2M_N} \right] N - t_j^\dagger \left[i \partial_0 + \frac{\mathbf{D}^2}{4M_N} - \Delta \right] t^j \\
&\quad - y [t_j^\dagger N^T P^j N + \text{h.c.}], \quad (3)
\end{aligned}$$

where N is the two-component nucleon field with an implicit isospin index. The time and spatial derivatives with electromagnetic gauge symmetry are D_0 and $\mathbf{D}$, respectively. $P^j = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \tau_2 \sigma_2 \sigma_j$ is the projection operator of the triplet channel, and

y is the coupling between nucleons in the triplet channel and the triplet dibaryon. Requiring the production of the nucleon-nucleon scattering amplitude, one has

$$y^2 = \frac{8\pi}{M_N^2 r^{(3S_1)}}, \quad \Delta = \frac{2}{M_N r^{(3S_1)}} \left(\frac{1}{a^{(3S_1)}} - \mu \right), \quad (4)$$

with μ being the renormalization scale introduced in the power divergent subtraction scheme [4]. The parameters a and r are the scattering length and effective range, respectively. In the present formulation, these two are counted as order Q^{-1} in both singlet and triplet channels. Thus, the scaling property of y and Δ is $y \sim \sqrt{Q}$ and $\Delta \sim Q^2$, respectively. Dressing the dibaryon propagator with nucleon bubbles does not change the counting of the propagator. Therefore, the bubbles must be summed to all orders; the dibaryon propagator dressed with nucleon bubbles is

$$D^{(3S_1)}(\bar{E}) = \frac{4\pi}{M_N y^2} \frac{i}{\mu + \frac{4\pi}{M_N y^2} (\Delta - \bar{E}) + i\sqrt{M_N \bar{E}}}, \quad (5)$$

with $\bar{E}$ the center-of-mass energy. The wave function renormalization constant is the residue at pole $\bar{E} = -B$, and a simple calculation yields [11] $z_d = \gamma r^{(3S_1)} / (1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)})$.

We remark that it is straightforward to convert the nuclear EFT Lagrangian with the nucleon field into that in dEFT ($\not{A}$). Following the prescription in [11], one converts a pair of nucleon fields in the singlet and triplet channels to dibaryon fields,

$$N^T P^j N \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{M_N r^{(3S_1)}}} t^j, \quad N^T \bar{P}^a N \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{M_N r^{(1S_0)}}} s^a, \quad (6)$$

where $\bar{P}^a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \sigma_2 \tau_2 \tau_a$ is the projection operator for the singlet channel.

Nuclear EFT systematically describes the interactions between the nucleons and external electromagnetic probes. Besides the coupling generated in the covariant derivatives in the above Lagrangian density, $\mathbf{D} = \vec{\nabla} - ie\mathbf{A}$, there is also the magnetic coupling to the nucleon,

$$\mathcal{L}_B = \frac{e}{2M_N} N^\dagger (\mu_0 + \mu_1 \tau_3) \sigma \cdot \mathbf{B} N, \quad (7)$$

where μ_0 and μ_1 are the nucleon's isoscalar and isovector magnetic moments, respectively. An associated term is the spin-orbit-type relativistic correction

$$\mathcal{L}_{SO} = i \frac{e}{8M_N^2} \left(\left(2\mu_0 - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \left(2\mu_1 - \frac{1}{2} \right) \tau_3 \right) \times N^\dagger \vec{\sigma} \cdot (\mathbf{D} \times \mathbf{E} - \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{D}) N, \quad (8)$$

which is generated from the reduction of a relevant relativistic interaction.

There are also interaction terms involving the dibaryon fields themselves. One term accounts for the transition between the $3S_1$ and $1S_0$ channels through a magnetic field,

$$\mathcal{L}_{em,1} = e \frac{L_1}{M_N \sqrt{r^{(1S_0)} r^{(3S_1)}}} t_j^\dagger s_3 B_j + \text{h.c.} \quad (9)$$

The coupling constant L_1 has been determined by the rate of $n + p \rightarrow d + \gamma$. The measured cross section $\sigma = 334.2 \pm$

0.5 mb with an incident neutron speed of 2200 m/s fixes $L_1 = -4.42$ fm. Another term involves the elastic scattering of the deuteron in the magnetic field,

$$\mathcal{L}_{em,2} = -i \frac{e}{M_N} \left(\mu_0 - \frac{L_2}{r^{(3S_1)}} \right) \varepsilon^{ijk} t_i^\dagger B_j t_k, \quad (10)$$

with the value of L_2 fixed to be -0.03 fm from the magnetic moment of the deuteron. The nucleon isoscalar magnetic moment μ_0 is introduced to reproduce the magnetic moment at leading order [22,23]. There is also an associated relativistic correction,

$$\mathcal{L}_{em,2}^{SO} = \frac{e}{2M_N^2} \left(\mu_0 - \frac{L_2}{r^{(3S_1)}} - \frac{1}{4} \right) \varepsilon^{ijk} t_i^\dagger (\mathbf{D} \times \mathbf{E} - \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{D})_j t_k, \quad (11)$$

which generates a seagull interaction of the dibaryon and electromagnetic fields. Lastly, there are nucleon polarizability interactions,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{pol} = & 2\pi N^\dagger (\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \tau_3) \mathbf{E}^2 N + 2\pi N^\dagger (\beta_0 + \beta_1 \tau_3) \mathbf{B}^2 N \\ & + 2\pi N^\dagger (\gamma_{E1}^{(s)} + \gamma_{E1}^{(v)} \tau_3) \sigma \cdot \mathbf{E} \times \dot{\mathbf{E}} N \\ & + 2\pi N^\dagger (\gamma_{M1}^{(s)} + \gamma_{M1}^{(v)} \tau_3) \sigma \cdot \mathbf{B} \times \dot{\mathbf{B}} N \\ & - 2\pi N^\dagger (\gamma_{E2}^{(s)} + \gamma_{E2}^{(v)} \tau_3) E_{ij} \sigma_i B_j N \\ & + 2\pi N^\dagger (\gamma_{M2}^{(s)} + \gamma_{M2}^{(v)} \tau_3) B_{ij} \sigma_i E_j N, \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

where $E_{ij} = 1/2(\nabla_i E_j + \nabla_j E_i)$ and $B_{ij} = 1/2(\nabla_i B_j - \nabla_j B_i)$ are the electric and magnetic field gradients. The nucleon isoscalar $(\alpha_0, \beta_0, \gamma_{E1,M1,E2,M2}^{(s)})$ and isovector $(\alpha_1, \beta_1, \gamma_{E1,M1,E2,M2}^{(v)})$ polarizabilities are defined as, for example, $\alpha_0 = 1/2(\alpha_p + \alpha_n)$ and $\alpha_1 = 1/2(\alpha_p - \alpha_n)$, with similar relations for others. The isoscalar ones are what can be probed in deuteron Compton scattering. Chiral perturbation theory calculations yield [24]

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_0 &= 10\beta_0 = 12 \times 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3, \\ \gamma_{E1}^{(s)} &= -3.1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^4, \quad \gamma_{M1}^{(s)} = 0.4 \times 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^4, \\ \gamma_{E2}^{(s)} &= 2.1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^4, \quad \gamma_{M2}^{(s)} = 0.6 \times 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^4. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

Feynman diagrams that contribute to the deuteron Compton scattering to $(Q/\Lambda)^4$ in power counting are shown in Figs. 1–4. Figure 1 contains diagrams with direct photon-dibaryon interactions. Figure 2 contains the seagull interactions with the nucleon. Figure 2(c) actually corresponds to the contribution from electromagnetic polarizabilities of the nucleon. Figure 3 includes diagrams without intermediate dibaryon fields. Finally, diagrams in Fig. 4 have intermediate singlet and triplet dibaryon propagations.

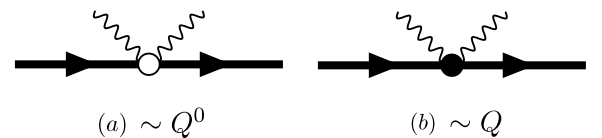


FIG. 1. Compton scattering with photons directly coupled to the dibaryon field. The open circle denotes the electric photon-dibaryon coupling from the gauged derivative. The solid dot denotes the seagull term in Eq. (11).

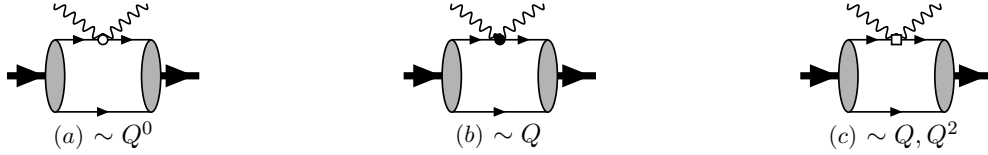


FIG. 2. Diagrams with seagull interactions on the nucleon lines. The small open circle denotes the coupling from the gauged derivative in the first term in Eq. (3), the small solid circle represents the coupling from spin-orbit interaction defined in Eq. (8), while the small open box represents the point interactions associated with polarizabilities of the nucleon in Eq. (12). Power counting of the leading contribution of each diagram is listed below the diagram. In (c), the two countings, Q and Q^2 , are for spin-independent and spin-dependent nucleon polarizability contributions, respectively.

To estimate the importance of a particular diagram in our power-counting scheme, we need to study the dominant regions of a loop momentum in the integral. Let us use $(q^0, \vec{q})$ to generically denote the loop momentum. The size of the loop momentum is determined by poles of the propagators. Typical nucleon propagators in the loop integration are $i/(-B - q_0 - \frac{\vec{q}^2}{2M} + i\epsilon)$ when the photon momentum does not pass through the nucleon line, and $i/(q_0 + \omega - \frac{\vec{q}^2}{2M} + i\epsilon)$ when the photon momentum does. Because q_0 scales as $|\vec{q}|^2$, the former has a momentum pole at $|\vec{q}| \sim \sqrt{B}$ and the latter a pole at $|\vec{q}| \sim \sqrt{\omega} = \sqrt{|\vec{k}|}$. In region I, these two poles have the same order of magnitude and have power counting $|\vec{q}| \sim Q$. In region II, the pole $(|\vec{q}| \sim \sqrt{B})$ has counting $|\vec{q}| \sim Q$, and the other pole $(|\vec{q}| \sim \sqrt{\omega})$ has $|\vec{q}| \sim \sqrt{Q}$. A Feynman integral can be approximated by the pole that produces a leading contribution.

For example, let us count the power of diagram (b) in Fig. 3. The Feynman integral has a momentum power $Q\omega^2|\vec{q}|^5/(|\vec{q}|^6\omega)$, where Q is from the wave function renormalization, ω^2 is from two magnetic couplings, the ω in the denominator is from the propagator $i/(q_0 + \omega - \frac{\vec{q}^2}{2M} + i\epsilon)$, and $|\vec{q}|$ is the loop momentum, with d^4q counted as $|\vec{q}|^5$ and three other propagators in the denominator as $|\vec{q}|^6$. At the pole $|\vec{q}| \sim Q$, it is of order Q ; at the other pole $|\vec{q}| \sim \sqrt{Q}$, it is $Q^{3/2}$. Thus the leading contribution is of order Q , shown below the diagram. Note that the Q counting here is dimensionally balanced by the nucleon mass M_N in the denominator.

Because there are multiple leading regions in a Feynman diagram, power counting can be rather tricky sometimes. For example, the nominally higher-order, spin-orbit couplings can produce leading contributions in a certain momentum region. To see this, let us compare the power counting for diagrams (f) and (h) in Fig. 3. The counting of (f) is $Q|\vec{q}|^5(\vec{q} + \vec{k})\omega/(|\vec{q}|^4\omega^2)$, where in the denominator $|\vec{q}|^4$ is from the two propagators that do not depend on the photon momentum and ω^2 is from two propagators that do; in the numerator, $(\vec{q} + \vec{k})$ and ω factors are from the derivative and magnetic couplings, respectively. Since only the $\vec{k}$ term in $(\vec{q} + \vec{k})$ survives the symmetrical momentum integration, diagram (f) is of order $Q^{3/2}$. On the other hand, counting of diagram (h) is $Q|\vec{q}|^5(\vec{q} + \vec{k})^2\omega/(|\vec{q}|^4\omega^2)$ which, compared to diagram (f), has an extra power of $(\vec{k} + \vec{q})/M_N$, because it is a relativistic correction. However, the dominant term contributing to the integral is $\vec{q}^2$ in the $(\vec{q} + \vec{k})^2$ factor, which is of order Q at the leading pole. Therefore, diagram (h) is also of order $Q^{3/2}$. Thus the spin-orbit coupling contributes as significantly as the magnetic coupling in these diagrams.

Power counting allows us to determine the leading contribution of every Feynman diagram. The result is indicated below each diagram in Figs. 1–4. Again, all countings so far are in terms of powers of Q/M_N , including that for the nucleon polarizability in diagram 2(c). In the following, we will treat each power of Q/M_N as $(Q/\Lambda)^2$, as discussed in the beginning of this section. According to chiral perturbation theory, the spin-independent polarizabilities contribute to the

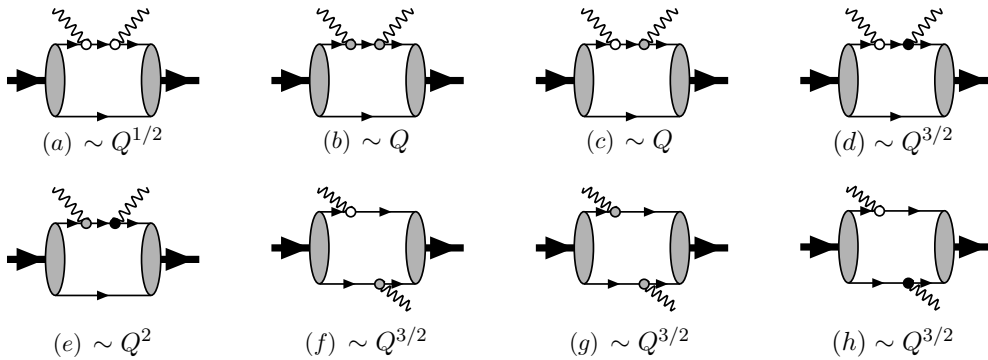


FIG. 3. Diagrams without intermediate dibaryons. The small open circles denote the electric photon-nucleon coupling from the gauged derivative in the first term in Eq. (3), the small shaded circles denote the magnetic photon-nucleon coupling in Eq. (7), while the small solid circles represent the spin-orbit interaction between photon and nucleon in Eq. (8).

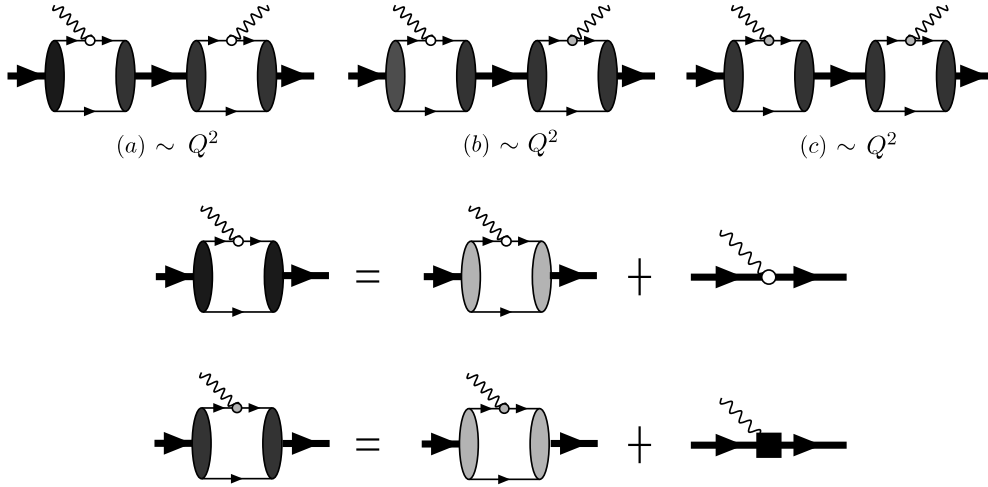


FIG. 4. Diagrams with intermediate dibaryon states. The small open circles denote the electric coupling in Eq. (3), and the small shaded circles denote the magnetic coupling in Eq. (7). The intermediate thick lines with one arrow represent both the spin singlet and triplet channels. The solid box denotes the L_1 and L_2 couplings in Eqs. (9) and (10).

scalar amplitudes at order $(Q/\Lambda)^2$ [21]; the spin-dependent ones contribute to the vector amplitudes at order $(Q/\Lambda)^4$. An explanation of the counting of the nucleon polarizability contributions from diagram 2(c) is in order. Compared with the leading-order contribution T_{2a} in App. B, the result of T_{2c} is suppressed by $2M_N(\alpha_0\omega^2, \beta_0\omega^2, \gamma_{E1,M1,E2,M2}^{(s)}\omega^3)/\alpha_{em}$, which is numerically $(Q/\Lambda)^2$ for scalar polarizabilities and $(Q/\Lambda)^4$ for vector ones.

According to the above, the scalar amplitudes start at $\mathcal{O}(Q/\Lambda)^0$, vector amplitudes at $\mathcal{O}(Q/\Lambda)^2$, and tensor amplitudes at $\mathcal{O}(Q/\Lambda)^3$. Note, however, that the leading-order vector amplitudes are actually proportional to the square of the isovector magnetic moment $\mu_1^2 = 5.5$, which brings in a numerical enhancement. [In principle, one could consider the leading-order vector amplitudes as $\mathcal{O}(Q/\Lambda)$ in power counting. However, we choose to recognize μ_1^2 as an enhancement factor.] Therefore, the vector-vector contribution to the unpolarized cross section could be quite significant [13]. On the other hand, the above enhancement diminishes the contribution of nucleon spin-dependent polarizabilities.

From Figs. 1–4, the vector-polarized amplitudes can be calculated to $\mathcal{O}(Q/\Lambda)^4$. Our explicit results are shown in App. B. To have the result look more compact, integrations over Feymann parameter x have not been completed. One must exercise caution, however, when the power of an unintegrated expression is counted. For example, the result of the diagram in Fig. 3(b) seems to scale as $\gamma\omega^2/(M_N\omega)^{3/2} \sim (Q/M_N)^{3/2}$ before x integration. However, the final result actually scales as Q/M_N , consistent with the above power counting.

IV. A DOUBLE-HELICITY-DEPENDENT (VECTOR-POLARIZED) CROSS SECTION

With the scalar and vector amplitudes presented in the previous section and App. B, we can calculate spin-dependent Compton scattering cross sections. Of course, any polarized

cross section can be constructed out of the complete 12 (scalar, vector, and tensor) amplitudes once they are known. Because the tensor amplitudes start at order $(Q/\Lambda)^3$, we do not need to know them to predict certain spin-dependent cross sections up to some orders in Q .

As we have seen in the previous section, the vector amplitudes receive contributions from the spin-dependent polarizabilities of the nucleon. Therefore, we would like to find a cross section that can be used to probe the vector amplitudes, and hence possibly extract the spin polarizabilities.

A double-helicity-dependent cross section satisfies the above condition. Suppose the helicities of the initial-state photon and deuteron are λ_1 and Λ_1 , respectively. The general Compton scattering cross section with these polarized initial states is $\sigma_{\lambda\Lambda}$. Define a vector-polarized cross section

$$\Delta_1 \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d\sigma_{+1-1}}{d\Omega} - \frac{d\sigma_{+1+1}}{d\Omega} \right), \quad (14)$$

where $+1$ (-1) is a right-handed (left-handed) polarization. If the initial momentum of the photon is along the z direction, the scattered photon momentum is taken along a direction with a polar angle θ . Then the polarization vector of the in-coming photon is $\mathbf{e} = -\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}(\hat{\mathbf{x}} + i\hat{\mathbf{y}})$. The deuteron, moving in the negative z direction with a negative helicity, has the same wave function. The deuteron with a positive helicity has a wave function $\xi = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}(\hat{\mathbf{x}} - i\hat{\mathbf{y}})$. Note that the beam is circularly polarized in the so-defined vector-polarized cross section. Actually, investigations indicate that the vector amplitudes cannot be probed as leading-order contributions if the beam is parallel polarized.

According to the above definition, the vector-polarized Compton cross section can be expressed in terms of the full 12 amplitudes as

$$\Delta_1 \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \text{Re} [S^*V + V^*V + V^*T + T^*T] \quad (15)$$

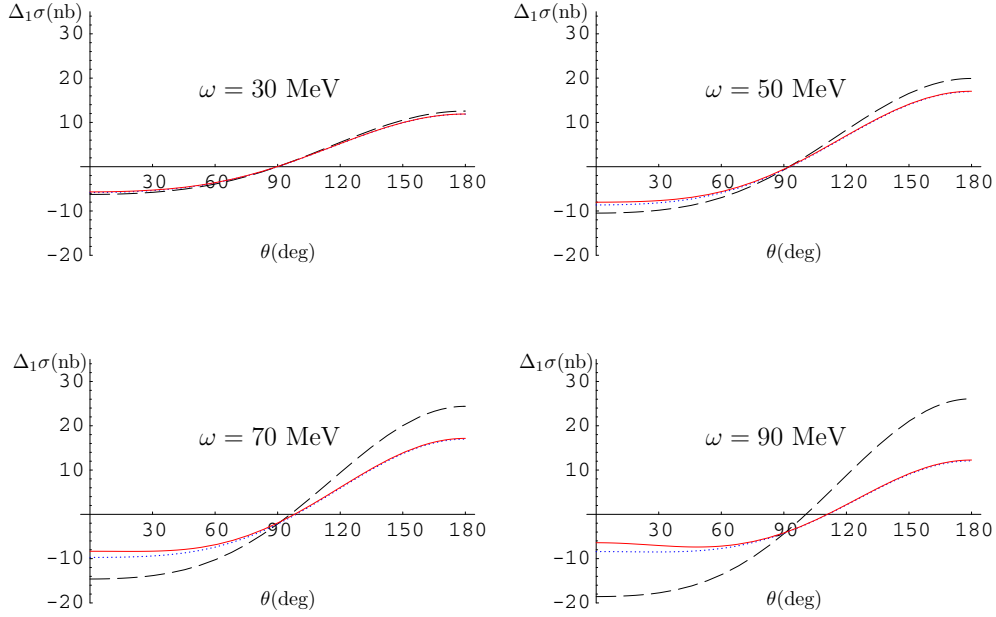


FIG. 5. (Color online) Vector-polarized cross sections for different c.m. frame photon energies ω . (See text for comments on the 70 and 90 MeV cases.) θ is the scattering angle in the c.m. frame. The dashed lines contain no contribution from spin-independent or spin-dependent polarizabilities. The dotted lines have contributions from spin-independent polarizabilities of the nucleon, but without dependent ones of nucleon. The solid lines have contributions from both. The values of nucleon polarizabilities are taken from chiral perturbation theory in Eq. (13).

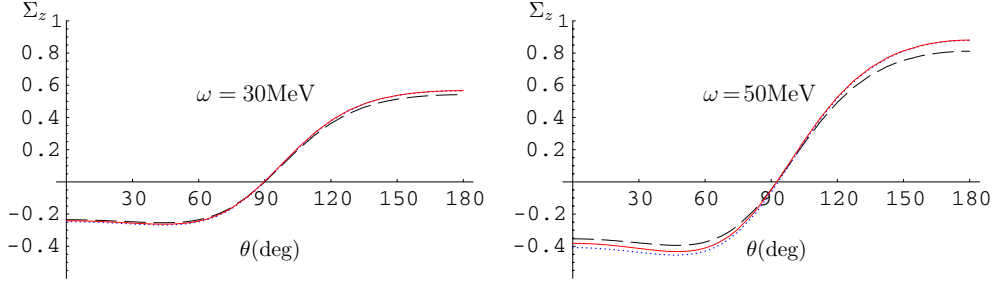
$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{2M_N^2}{3(\omega + \sqrt{\omega^2 + M_D^2})^2} \text{Re} [[-6(1+z^2)(f_1^* f_3 + f_2^* f_4) \\
 &\quad - 12z(f_1^* f_4 + f_2^* f_3) - 6z(3+z^2)(f_1^* f_5 + f_2^* f_6) \\
 &\quad - 6(1+3z^2)(f_1^* f_6 + f_2^* f_5)] + [-3(1-z^2) \\
 &\quad \times (f_3^* f_3 + f_4^* f_4 + f_3^* f_6 + f_4^* f_5) - 3z(1-z^2) \\
 &\quad \times (f_3^* f_5 + f_4^* f_6)] + [-4(2-z^2)(f_3^* f_7 + f_4^* f_8) \\
 &\quad - 4z(f_3^* f_8 + f_4^* f_7) - 5z(1-z^2)(f_3^* f_9 + f_4^* f_{10}) \\
 &\quad - 5(1-z^2)(f_3^* f_{10} + f_4^* f_9) + (1+7z^2)(f_3^* f_{11} \\
 &\quad + f_4^* f_{12}) + z(5+3z^2)(f_3^* f_{12} + f_4^* f_{11}) - z(9-z^2) \\
 &\quad \times (f_5^* f_7 + f_6^* f_8) - (5+3z^2)(f_5^* f_8 + f_6^* f_7) \\
 &\quad - 2(1-z^4)(f_5^* f_9 + f_6^* f_{10}) - 4z(1-z^2) \\
 &\quad \times (f_5^* f_{10} + f_6^* f_9) + 2z(3+5z^2)(f_5^* f_{11} + f_6^* f_{12}) \\
 &\quad + (1+12z^2+3z^4)(f_5^* f_{12} + f_6^* f_{11})] + [-3(3+z^2) \\
 &\quad \times (f_7^* f_7 + f_8^* f_8) + 24zf_7^* f_8 + 9z(1-z^2) \\
 &\quad \times (f_7^* f_9 + f_8^* f_{10}) - 15(1-z^2)(f_7^* f_{10} + f_8^* f_9) \\
 &\quad + 3(1-z^2)(f_7^* f_{11} + f_8^* f_{12}) + 3z(1-z^2) \\
 &\quad \times (f_7^* f_{12} + f_8^* f_{11}) - 6(1-z^2)^2(f_9^* f_9 + f_{10}^* f_{10}) \\
 &\quad + 6z(1-z^2)(f_9^* f_{11} + f_{10}^* f_{12}) + 3(1-z^4) \\
 &\quad \times (f_9^* f_{12} + f_{10}^* f_{11})]], \quad (16)
 \end{aligned}$$

where S^*V , V^*V , V^*T , and T^*T denote combinations of scalar-vector, vector-vector, vector-tensor, and tensor-tensor amplitudes, respectively. According to power counting, the dominant contribution in the cross section defined above is from the scalar and vector interference and is of order

$(Q/\Lambda)^2$. If calculating the cross section to order $(Q/\Lambda)^4$, which is the order where spin-independent and spin-dependent polarizabilities contribute, we need the scalar amplitudes to order $(Q/\Lambda)^2$ and vector amplitudes to $(Q/\Lambda)^4$, including the nucleon polarizability term. The tensor amplitudes, whose leading orders have no μ_1^2 enhancement, do not contribute at this order. Therefore, the vector-polarized cross section is a useful observable for probing the vector amplitudes and hence the spin polarizabilities.

We show in Fig. 5 the vector-polarized cross section to $(Q/\Lambda)^4$ in EFT at c.m. photon energy $\omega = 30, 50, 70, 90$ MeV, respectively. The contribution from polarizabilities of the nucleon is more significant at higher energy. There is virtually no difference between the cross sections with the polarizabilities turned on or off at the photon energy $\omega = 30$ MeV. However, there is a notable difference at 50 MeV, about 20% dependence on spin-independent polarizabilities and 8% on spin-dependent ones at forward angle, and substantial difference at 70 MeV and 90 MeV. [Note that our results for 70 and 90 MeV are just for exploratory study, because the pion has to be included as a dynamical degree of freedom at such high energies. However, we expect that the general features will not change in a full analysis.] The effect of the nucleon polarizabilities is more significant at forward and backward angles (almost zero at $\theta = \pi/2$). Moreover, the contribution from spin-independent polarizabilities α_0, β_0 is of similar size at forward and backward angles, while the spin-dependent polarizabilities contribute mainly at forward angles.

According to power counting, both the scalar and spin polarizabilities contribute to the vector-polarized cross section at $\mathcal{O}(Q/\Lambda)^4$. However, the leading-order vector amplitude is enhanced by a factor μ_1^2 . Therefore, the scalar polarizabilities

FIG. 6. (Color online) Same as Fig. 5, but for the asymmetry Σ_z for different c.m. frame photon energies ω .

contribute more significantly to the cross section and generate a larger influence than the spin polarizabilities. As the result, one cannot extract the vector polarizabilities without knowing the scalar ones to a reasonable accuracy. From Fig. 5, the best way to extract the spin polarizabilities is to measure $\Delta_1\sigma$ at forward angles and at relatively high energy (higher than 50 MeV), where the pionless EFT expansion becomes less reliable. On the other hand, as seen in the figure, $\Delta_1\sigma$ —especially at the forward and backward angles—is as sensitive as the unpolarized cross section to the scalar polarizabilities of the nucleon.

V. ASYMMETRIES SENSITIVE TO SPIN-INDEPENDENT NUCLEON POLARIZABILITIES

As seen from the previous section, the spin-independent nucleon polarizabilities have to be determined before the extraction of spin-dependent ones becomes possible. In this section, we investigate various asymmetries with the goal of extracting spin-independent polarizabilities.

Asymmetries are generally easier to measure than cross sections because of the cancellation of systematic errors. The asymmetry associated with the vector-polarized cross section in the previous section is

$$\Sigma_z = \frac{\frac{d\sigma_{+1-1}}{d\Omega} - \frac{d\sigma_{+1+1}}{d\Omega}}{\frac{d\sigma_{+1-1}}{d\Omega} + \frac{d\sigma_{+1+1}}{d\Omega}}, \quad (17)$$

where the indices ± 1 have the same meaning as in Eq. (14). The expression for the numerator has been shown in the previous section. The expression for the denominator in terms of scalar and vector amplitudes is

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d\sigma_{+1-1}}{d\Omega} + \frac{d\sigma_{+1+1}}{d\Omega} \right) \\ &= \frac{2M_N^2}{(\omega + \sqrt{\omega^2 + M_D^2})^2} \text{Re} \left[(1+z^2)(f_1^* f_1 + f_2^* f_2) \right. \\ & \quad + 4z(f_1^* f_2 + f_3^* f_4) + 2(f_3^* f_3 + f_4^* f_4) + \frac{1}{2}(3 + 12z^2 \\ & \quad + z^4)(f_5^* f_5 + f_6^* f_6) + 2z(5 + 3z^2)f_5^* f_6 + (3 + 5z^2) \\ & \quad \left. \times (f_3^* f_6 + f_4^* f_5) + z(7 + z^2)(f_3^* f_5 + f_4^* f_6) \right] \quad (18) \end{aligned}$$

The result of Σ_z for c.m. photon energies $\omega = 30$ and 50 MeV is shown in Fig. 6. Clearly, as the vector-polarized cross section, the asymmetry at the backward angle has stronger dependence

on α_0, β_0 compared to other angles and shows almost no sensitivity on spin-dependent polarizabilities. However, unlike the cross section, the dependence on the α_0, β_0 in the asymmetry is suppressed to about 8% at 50 MeV because of the cancellation between the numerator and denominator.

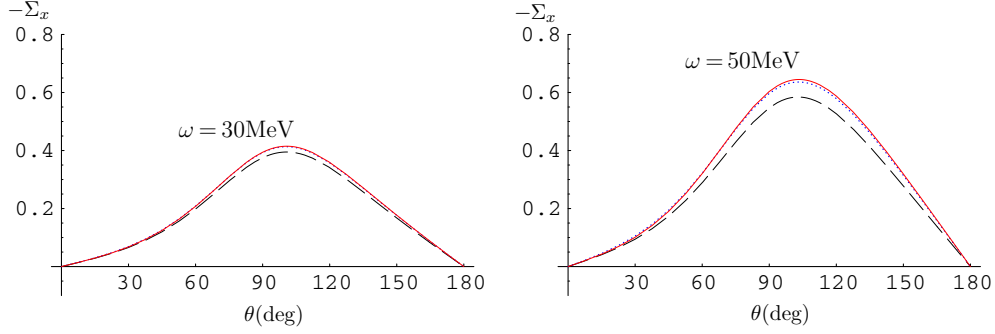
In the following, we investigate other asymmetries in search of a larger dependence on α_0, β_0 . There are two new asymmetries related to Σ_z when the polarization axis of the deuteron target is changed. If the xz plane is chosen as the scattering plane, one can define an asymmetry with deuteron polarized linearly in the x direction

$$\Sigma_x = \frac{\frac{d\sigma_{+1,J_x=+1}}{d\Omega} - \frac{d\sigma_{+1,J_x=-1}}{d\Omega}}{\frac{d\sigma_{+1,J_x=+1}}{d\Omega} + \frac{d\sigma_{+1,J_x=-1}}{d\Omega}}, \quad (19)$$

with the first index $+1$ of σ indicating that the photon is right-handed polarized, the second index indicating that the deuteron target is polarized in the $J_x = \pm 1$ states. The expressions for the numerator and denominator in terms of scalar and vector amplitudes are

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d\sigma_{+1,J_x=+1}}{d\Omega} - \frac{d\sigma_{+1,J_x=-1}}{d\Omega} \right) \\ &= \frac{2M_N^2}{(\omega + \sqrt{\omega^2 + M_D^2})^2} \sqrt{1-z^2} \text{Re} [-2(zf_1^* f_3 + f_1^* f_4 \\ & \quad + (1+z^2)f_1^* f_5 + 2zf_1^* f_6 + f_2^* f_3 + zf_2^* f_4 \\ & \quad + 2zf_2^* f_5 + (1+z^2)f_2^* f_6) + z(f_3^* f_3 + f_4^* f_4) \\ & \quad + 2f_3^* f_4 + (1+z^2)f_3^* f_5 + 2zf_3^* f_6 + 2zf_4^* f_5 \\ & \quad + (1+z^2)f_4^* f_6], \\ & \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d\sigma_{+1,J_x=+1}}{d\Omega} + \frac{d\sigma_{+1,J_x=-1}}{d\Omega} \right) \\ &= \frac{2M_N^2}{(\omega + \sqrt{\omega^2 + M_D^2})^2} \text{Re} [(1+z^2)(f_1^* f_1 + f_2^* f_2) \\ & \quad + 4zf_1^* f_2 + (2-z^2)(f_3^* f_3 + f_4^* f_4) + 2zf_3^* f_4 \\ & \quad + (3+z^2)(f_3^* f_6 + f_4^* f_5) + z(5-z^2)(f_3^* f_5 + f_4^* f_6) \\ & \quad + \frac{1}{2}(3+6z^2-z^4)(f_5^* f_5 + f_6^* f_6) + 8zf_5^* f_6] \quad (20) \end{aligned}$$

The result for Σ_x at c.m. photon energies $\omega = 30$ and 50 MeV is shown in Fig. 7. The peak of this asymmetry is around the scattering angle of 105° , where the dependence on α_0, β_0 is about 8% at 50 MeV.

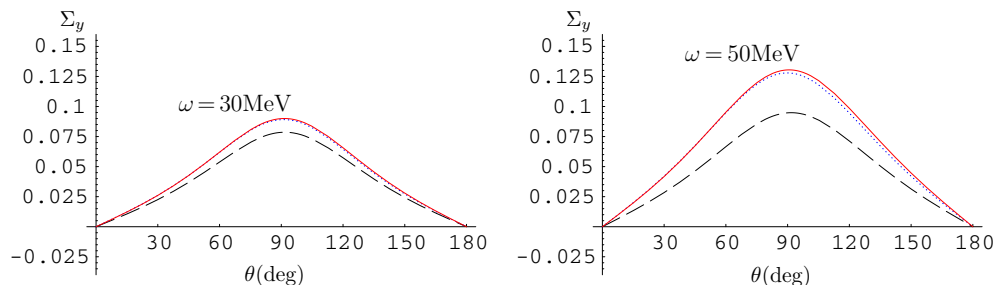
FIG. 7. (Color online) Same as Fig. 5, but for the asymmetry Σ_x for different c.m. frame photon energies ω .

Similarly, one can define the asymmetry with the deuteron polarized in the y direction, which is perpendicular to the scattering plane. This asymmetry is actually a single-spin asymmetry, independent of the polarization of the photon beam, such that

$$\Sigma_y = \frac{\frac{d\sigma_{J_y=+1}}{d\Omega} - \frac{d\sigma_{J_y=-1}}{d\Omega}}{\frac{d\sigma_{J_y=+1}}{d\Omega} + \frac{d\sigma_{J_y=-1}}{d\Omega}}, \quad (21)$$

where the photon beam is unpolarized and the deuteron target is polarized in the $J_y = \pm 1$ states. The expressions for the numerator and denominator in terms of scalar and vector amplitudes are

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d\sigma_{J_y=+1}}{d\Omega} - \frac{d\sigma_{J_y=-1}}{d\Omega} \right) \\ &= \frac{4M_N^2 \sqrt{1-z^2}}{(\omega + \sqrt{\omega^2 + M_D^2})^2} \text{Im} [f_1^* f_4 + f_2^* f_3 + z f_1^* f_3 + z f_2^* f_4], \\ & \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d\sigma_{J_y=+1}}{d\Omega} + \frac{d\sigma_{J_y=-1}}{d\Omega} \right) \\ &= \frac{4M_N^2}{(\omega + \sqrt{\omega^2 + M_D^2})^2} \text{Re} \left[\frac{1}{2} (1+z^2)(f_1^* f_1 + f_2^* f_2) \right. \\ & \quad + \frac{1}{2} (2-z^2)(f_3^* f_3 + f_4^* f_4) + \frac{1}{2} (1+3z^2)(f_5^* f_5 + f_6^* f_6) \\ & \quad + (1+z^2)(f_3^* f_6 + f_4^* f_5) + 2z(f_1^* f_2 + f_3^* f_5 + f_4^* f_6) \\ & \quad \left. + z f_3^* f_4 + z(3+z^2)f_5^* f_6 \right]. \quad (22) \end{aligned}$$

FIG. 8. (Color online) Same as Fig. 5, but for the asymmetry Σ_y for different c.m. frame photon energies ω .

The result for Σ_y at c.m. photon energies $\omega = 30$ and 50 MeV is shown in Fig. 8. The peak of this asymmetry is around a scattering angle of 90° , where the dependence on α_0, β_0 is about 12% at 30 MeV and 26% at 50 MeV, much larger than the dependence in $\Sigma_{x,z}$. Therefore, the single-spin asymmetry should serve as a good observable for extracting nucleon scalar-isoscalar polarizabilities. Note that the polarizations of the deuteron in the above asymmetries are defined in the c.m. frame, while in experiment the deuteron is prepared polarized in the laboratory frame. The polarization in these two frames are different in the case of $\Sigma_{x,y}$. This is an error of size ω/M_D , which can be safely neglected at low energy.

The tensor amplitude contributions are not taken into account in the results shown above. They are small contributions from the analysis of power counting. But numerically, their effect could be enhanced because of the large size of the isovector nucleon magnetic moment, which also explains that the vector amplitude effects are enhanced. While a more complete calculation of asymmetries with all the tensor amplitudes included is beyond the scope of this paper, we did, however, study their effects on the asymmetries by using the tensor amplitude f_7 from a previous calculation in EFT with pion [25]. We found that the dependence of Σ_y on f_7 is 30% of the effect of α_0 and β_0 in Σ_y , which is consistent with the size of the higher order corrections that we did not calculate. On the other hand, asymmetries Σ_x and Σ_z have stronger dependence 70% of the size of the effect of α_0 and β_0 on them) on the tensor amplitudes than expected from power counting, which offers an additional reason why these asymmetries are not as good as Σ_y regarding the goal of extracting α_0 and β_0 .

We also investigated the parallel-perpendicular single-spin asymmetry, which is the ratio of the difference and sum of

two cross sections when the deuteron target is unpolarized and the photon beam is linearly polarized either parallel or perpendicular to the scattering plane. This asymmetry is found to have a weaker dependence (about 3% at 50 MeV) on α_0 , β_0 than $\Sigma_{x,y,z}$ and, therefore, is not presented here.

VI. CONCLUSION

We presented a convenient set of basis for Compton scattering on the deuteron. We then calculated the scalar and vector Compton amplitudes to $\mathcal{O}((Q/\Lambda)^4)$ in a nuclear EFT without the pion, to which the scalar and spin polarizabilities of the nucleon contribute. The result was then used to calculate a double-helicity-dependent cross section which is linearly proportional to the vector amplitudes. We studied the effects of the polarizabilities on the cross section, finding that the influence of the scalar polarizabilities is more dominant than that of the spin polarizabilities. Thus, an accurate measurement of the cross section can help determine the former. However, if the scalar polarizabilities are determined with good accuracy, the cross section can provide a constraint on the spin-dependent ones. Finally, we investigated various asymmetries in search of large dependence on scalar polarizabilities and found that Σ_y has the best potential in that not only is the size of dependence on α_0 , β_0 in it strong (26% at 50 MeV) but also the uncertainty from tensor amplitude contributions is small (30%).

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APPENDIX A: TENSOR BASIS FOR DEUTERON COMPTON AMPLITUDES

The 12 basis structures can be systematically obtained by keeping track of the matrix structure sandwiched between the initial and final deuteron polarization states. The structures with unit matrix and single-spin matrix are the same as the structures for the spin-1/2 target. There are six such structures ($\rho_1 \sim \rho_6$) [20]. Our goal is to find out the remaining six structures, which should all be of tensor type with symmetrized double-spin matrices.

First we notice that since there are double J s associated with them, the parity invariance requires that there are an even number of cross products among the vectors: $\hat{\epsilon}$, $\hat{\epsilon}'^*$, $\hat{k}$, $\hat{k}'$, and two J s. Moreover, since any even number of cross products can be transformed into dot products, we only need to include structures with dot products. Since subtracting the trace is straightforward, we choose to do it at the end. The structures before subtracting the trace can be found systematically by looking at which pair dot with the J s and what is left over.

First, if the pair is $\hat{\epsilon}$ and $\hat{\epsilon}'^*$, there is only one such structure:

$$\tau_1 = J \cdot \hat{\epsilon} J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^* + J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^* J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}. \quad (A1)$$

If the pair is $\hat{k}$ and $\hat{k}'$, there are two structures:

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_2 &= \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon} (J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{k}' + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{k}), \\ \tau_3 &= \hat{k} \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^* \hat{k}' \cdot \hat{\epsilon} (J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{k}' + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{k}). \end{aligned} \quad (A2)$$

If the pair is $\hat{k}$ and $\hat{\epsilon}'^*$, time-reversal invariance requires that the other pair $\hat{k}'$ and $\hat{\epsilon}$ appear in the same structure and in the following combination:

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_4 &= \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{k} (J \cdot \hat{\epsilon} J \cdot \hat{k}' + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}) \\ &+ \hat{\epsilon} \cdot \hat{k}' (J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^* J \cdot \hat{k} + J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^*). \end{aligned} \quad (A3)$$

If the pair is $\hat{k}$ and $\hat{\epsilon}$, time-reversal invariance requires that the other pair, $\hat{k}'$ and $\hat{\epsilon}'^*$, appear in the same structure and in the following combination:

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_5 &= \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{k} (J \cdot \hat{\epsilon} J \cdot \hat{k} + J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}) \\ &+ \hat{\epsilon} \cdot \hat{k}' (J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^* J \cdot \hat{k}' + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^*). \end{aligned} \quad (A4)$$

If the pair is two $\hat{k}$ s, the time-reversal invariance requires that the other pair, two $\hat{k}'$ s, appears in the same structure and in the proper combination. There are two structures of this type:

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_6 &= \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon} (J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{k} + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{k}'), \\ \tau_7 &= \hat{k} \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^* \hat{k}' \cdot \hat{\epsilon} (J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{k} + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{k}'). \end{aligned} \quad (A5)$$

This way of constructing structures with double J s exhausts all possibilities. There is no problem about the completeness. However, we get more structures than expected from helicity counting. It is hard to find the relation among them directly, and it turns out that we need to make use of the duality character of the electric-magnetic field. Starting from the above seven structures, we can obtain another set of structures which covers the above set and has the duality correspondence among them, just like the structures from ρ_1 to ρ_6 . Without knowing the dependence among the structures from τ_1 to τ_7 , the minimal number of such a set of structures is eight. They are chosen as

$$\begin{aligned} \tau'_1 &= J \cdot \hat{\epsilon} J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^* + J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^* J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}, \\ \tau'_2 &= J \cdot \hat{s} J \cdot \hat{s}'^* + J \cdot \hat{s}'^* J \cdot \hat{s}, \\ \tau'_3 &= \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon} (J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{k}' + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{k}), \\ \tau'_4 &= \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{s} (J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{k}' + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{k}), \\ \tau'_5 &= \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{k} (J \cdot \hat{\epsilon} J \cdot \hat{k}' + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}) \\ &+ \hat{\epsilon} \cdot \hat{k}' (J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^* J \cdot \hat{k} + J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{\epsilon}'^*), \\ \tau'_6 &= \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{k} (J \cdot \hat{s} J \cdot \hat{k}' + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{s}) \\ &+ \hat{s} \cdot \hat{k}' (J \cdot \hat{s}'^* J \cdot \hat{k} + J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{s}'^*), \\ \tau'_7 &= \hat{\epsilon}'^* \cdot \hat{\epsilon} (J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{k} + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{k}'), \\ \tau'_8 &= \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{s} (J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{k} + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{k}'). \end{aligned} \quad (A6)$$

One notices that under duality transformation, these eight structures transform as $\tau'_{2i-1} \Leftrightarrow \tau'_{2i}$, with $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$. This set with eight structures can be expressed in terms of seven f_i s, and the expression is found to be

$$\begin{aligned} \tau'_1 &= \tau_1, \quad \tau'_2 = 4\rho_2 + \tau_4 - z\tau_1 - \tau_2, \quad \tau'_3 = \tau_2, \quad \tau'_4 = z\tau_2 - \tau_3, \\ \tau'_5 &= \tau_4, \quad \tau'_6 = 2z\tau_2 + \tau_5 - 2\tau_3 - 2\tau_6, \quad \tau'_7 = \tau_6, \quad \tau'_8 = z\tau_6 - \tau_7. \end{aligned} \quad (A7)$$

Since eight structures are expressed in terms of the other seven structures, one relation among τ_i 's must exist, and it is found to be

$$z\tau_1' + \tau_2' + \tau_3' - \tau_5' = 4\rho_2, \quad (\text{A8})$$

from which another relation can be found through duality transformation of the above relation:

$$z\tau_2' + \tau_1' + \tau_4' - \tau_6' = 4\rho_1. \quad (\text{A9})$$

Now, we have two constraints on eight structures and are therefore left with six independent structures, as expected from helicity counting. We choose $\tau_{1,2,5,6,7,8}'$ as the basis structures. With trace subtracted explicitly, they are

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_7 &= -\left(J \cdot \hat{e} J \cdot \hat{e}'^* + J \cdot \hat{e}'^* J \cdot \hat{e} - \frac{4}{3} \hat{e}'^* \cdot \hat{e} I\right) \\ &= \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{e}'^* \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{e} + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{e} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{e}'^* - \frac{2}{3} \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\xi} \hat{e}'^* \cdot \hat{e}, \\ \rho_8 &= -\left(J \cdot \hat{s} J \cdot \hat{s}'^* + J \cdot \hat{s}'^* J \cdot \hat{s} - \frac{4}{3} \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{s} I\right) \\ &= \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{s}'^* \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{s} + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{s} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{s}'^* - \frac{2}{3} \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\xi} \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{s}, \\ \rho_9 &= -\hat{e}'^* \cdot \hat{k} (J \cdot \hat{e} J \cdot \hat{k}' + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{e}) \\ &\quad - \hat{e} \cdot \hat{k}' (J \cdot \hat{e}'^* J \cdot \hat{k} + J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{e}'^*) + \frac{8}{3} \hat{e}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{e} \cdot \hat{k}' I \\ &= \hat{e}'^* \cdot \hat{k} (\hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k}' \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{e} + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{e} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}') + \hat{e} \cdot \hat{k}' (\hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{e}'^* \\ &\quad + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{e}'^* \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}) - \frac{4}{3} \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\xi} \hat{e}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{e} \cdot \hat{k}', \\ \rho_{10} &= -\hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{k} (J \cdot \hat{s} J \cdot \hat{k}' + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{s}) - \hat{s} \cdot \hat{k}' (J \cdot \hat{s}'^* J \cdot \hat{k} \\ &\quad + J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{s}'^*) + \frac{8}{3} \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{s} \cdot \hat{k}' I \\ &= \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{k} (\hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k}' \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{s} + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{s} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}') + \hat{s} \cdot \hat{k}' (\hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{s}'^* \\ &\quad + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{s}'^* \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}) - \frac{4}{3} \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\xi} \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{s} \cdot \hat{k}', \\ \rho_{11} &= -\hat{e}'^* \cdot \hat{e} \left(J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{k} + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{k}' - \frac{4}{3} I \right) \\ &= \hat{e}'^* \cdot \hat{e} \left(\hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k} + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k}' \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}' - \frac{2}{3} \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\xi} \right), \\ \rho_{12} &= -\hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{s} \left(J \cdot \hat{k} J \cdot \hat{k} + J \cdot \hat{k}' J \cdot \hat{k}' - \frac{4}{3} I \right) \\ &= \hat{s}'^* \cdot \hat{s} \left(\hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k} + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k}' \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}' - \frac{2}{3} \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{\xi} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A10})$$

ρ_i s ($i = 1 \sim 12$) are the basis structures of deuteron Compton amplitudes in the frame where time-reversal invariance is manifest such as the Breit frame and center-of-mass frame. Note that the laboratory frame is not such a frame because it lacks the symmetry between the initial and final deuteron.

There are other tensor structures that are often met in studies of Compton scattering on the deuteron. Here we provide a list and their relation to the basis set defined above:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{e}'^* \cdot \hat{e} (\hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}' + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k}' \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}) &= -z\rho_7 - \rho_8 + \rho_9 + \frac{2}{3} z\rho_1, \\ \hat{e}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{e} \cdot \hat{k}' (\hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}' + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k}' \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}) \\ &= (1 - z^2)\rho_7 + z\rho_9 - \rho_{10} + \frac{2}{3} z^2 \rho_1 - \frac{2}{3} z\rho_2, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{e}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{e} \cdot \hat{k}' (\hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k} + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k}' \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}') \\ &= z\rho_{11} - \rho_{12} + \frac{2}{3} (z\rho_1 - \rho_2), \\ \hat{e}'^* \cdot \hat{k} (\hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{e} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k} + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{e}) + \hat{e} \cdot \hat{k}' (\hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{e}'^* \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{k}' \\ &\quad + \hat{\xi}'^* \cdot \hat{k}' \hat{\xi} \cdot \hat{e}'^*) = 2\rho_7 + 2z\rho_8 - \rho_{10} + 2\rho_{11}, \\ \hat{e}'^* \cdot \hat{e} (\hat{\xi}'^* \times \hat{\xi}) \cdot (\hat{k}' \times \hat{k}) &= z\rho_3 + \rho_4 - \rho_5, \\ (\hat{\xi}'^* \times \hat{\xi}) \cdot (\hat{e}'^* \times \hat{k}) \hat{e} \cdot \hat{k}' - (\hat{\xi}'^* \times \hat{\xi}) \cdot (\hat{e} \times \hat{k}') \hat{e}'^* \cdot \hat{k} \\ &= 2z\rho_3 - \rho_5, \\ (\hat{\xi}'^* \times \hat{\xi}) \cdot \hat{s} \hat{e}'^* \cdot \hat{k} - (\hat{\xi}'^* \times \hat{\xi}) \cdot \hat{s}'^* \hat{e} \cdot \hat{k}' &= 2\rho_3 - \rho_6, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A11})$$

where $z = \cos \theta = \hat{k} \cdot \hat{k}'$, which is used throughout this paper. The last three expressions for the vector-type structures have appeared in the literature before [20]. Other useful relations can be obtained from the above through the duality transformation.

APPENDIX B: COMPTON AMPLITUDES TO $\mathcal{O}(Q/\Lambda)^4$ IN EFT

In the following, we present our result for the Compton amplitudes from Figs. 1–4. T -matrix element is related to scattering amplitude f through $f = T/4\pi$. T matrix is calculated using the normalization for the deuteron state $\langle \vec{p} | \vec{p}' \rangle = (E_p/M_D)(2\pi)^3 \delta^3(\vec{p} - \vec{p}')$.

Diagrams with the photon directly coupled to the dibaryon are shown in Fig. 1. The result is

$$\begin{aligned} T_{1a} &= \frac{e^2}{2M_N} \frac{\gamma r^{(3S_1)}}{1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)}} \rho_1, \\ T_{1b} &= \frac{e^2}{4M_N^2} \frac{\gamma r^{(3S_1)}}{1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)}} \omega \rho_3 \left(1 - 4\mu_0 + \frac{4L_2}{r^{(3S_1)}} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B1})$$

Diagrams with the seagull interaction on the nucleon line are shown in Fig. 2, among which are contributions from nucleon polarizabilities. The result for each diagram is

$$\begin{aligned} T_{2a} &= -\frac{4e^2}{M_N} \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)}} \frac{1}{\omega \sqrt{2 - 2z}} \arctan \left(\frac{\omega \sqrt{2 - 2z}}{4\gamma} \right) \rho_1, \\ T_{2b} &= \frac{2e^2}{M_N^2} \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)}} \left[\left(2\mu_0 - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \left(2\mu_1 - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] \\ &\quad \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2 - 2z}} \arctan \left(\frac{\omega \sqrt{2 - 2z}}{4\gamma} \right) \rho_3, \\ T_{2c} &= 32\pi \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2 - 2z}} \arctan \left(\frac{\omega \sqrt{2 - 2z}}{4\gamma} \right) \\ &\quad \times [\alpha_0 \omega \rho_1 + \beta_0 \omega \rho_2 - \gamma_{E1} \omega^2 \rho_3 - \gamma_{M1} \omega^2 \rho_4 \\ &\quad + \gamma_{E2} \omega^2 (-\rho_4 + \rho_5) + \gamma_{M2} \omega^2 (\rho_3 - \rho_6)], \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B2})$$

with T_{2c} associated with the nucleon polarizabilities.

The contribution without the intermediate singlet or triplet state is from the diagrams in Fig. 3. The result of each diagram along with photon crossing and the diagram with interchange of two photon coupling vertices, if different, is

$$\begin{aligned}
T_{3a} &= \frac{e^2}{2M_N} \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)}} \left[\rho_1 \left(\int_0^1 dx \frac{1-x}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 + M_N \omega x - i\epsilon}} + \int_0^1 dx \frac{1-x}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 - M_N \omega x - i\epsilon}} \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \omega^2 (z\rho_1 - \rho_2) \left(\frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 dx \frac{\frac{1}{6}(1-x)^3 + (1-x)(2-x)}{(\gamma^2 + M_N \omega x - i\epsilon)^{3/2}} + \frac{1}{24} \int_0^1 dx \frac{(1-x)^3}{(\gamma^2 - M_N \omega x - i\epsilon)^{3/2}} \right) \right], \\
T_{3b} &= -\frac{e^2}{4M_N} \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)}} (\mu_0^2 + \mu_1^2) \omega^2 \left[(\rho_4 - \rho_2) \int_0^1 dx \frac{1-x}{(\gamma^2 + M_N \omega x - i\epsilon)^{3/2}} - (\rho_4 + \rho_2) \int_0^1 dx \frac{1-x}{(\gamma^2 - M_N \omega x - i\epsilon)^{3/2}} \right], \\
T_{3c} &= \frac{e^2}{16M_N} \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)}} (\mu_0 + \mu_1) \omega^2 (\rho_6 - 2\rho_3) \left(\int_0^1 dx \frac{x^2 - 4x + 3}{(\gamma^2 + M_N \omega x - i\epsilon)^{3/2}} - \int_0^1 dx \frac{(1-x)^2}{(\gamma^2 - M_N \omega x - i\epsilon)^{3/2}} \right), \\
T_{3d} &= -\frac{e^2}{4M_N^2} \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)}} (2\mu_0 + 2\mu_1 - 1) \omega \rho_3 \left(\int_0^1 dx \frac{1-x}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 + M_N \omega x - i\epsilon}} + \int_0^1 dx \frac{1-x}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 - M_N \omega x - i\epsilon}} \right), \\
T_{3e} &= \frac{e^2}{16M_N^2} \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)}} \left[\mu_0 \left(2\mu_0 - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \mu_1 \left(2\mu_1 - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] \omega^3 \left[-\frac{1}{2} (2\rho_1 + \rho_6) \int_0^1 dx \frac{(1-x)^2}{(\gamma^2 - M_N \omega x - i\epsilon)^{3/2}} + (2\rho_1 - \rho_6) \right. \\
&\quad \left. \times \int_0^1 dx \frac{\frac{3}{2} - 2x + \frac{1}{2}x^2}{(\gamma^2 + M_N \omega x - i\epsilon)^{3/2}} + (\rho_2 + \rho_4) \int_0^1 dx \frac{1-x^2}{(\gamma^2 - M_N \omega x - i\epsilon)^{3/2}} + (\rho_2 - \rho_4) \int_0^1 dx \frac{(1-x)^2}{(\gamma^2 + M_N \omega x - i\epsilon)^{3/2}} \right], \\
T_{3f} &= -\frac{e^2}{4M_N^2} \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)}} (\mu_0 - \mu_1) \omega (-2\rho_3 + \rho_6) \left(\int_0^1 dx \frac{x}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 + M_N \omega x - i\epsilon}} - \int_0^1 dx \frac{1-x}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 - M_N \omega x - i\epsilon}} \right), \\
T_{3g} &= -\frac{e^2}{2M_N^2} \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)}} (\mu_0^2 - \mu_1^2) \omega \left(\frac{1}{3} \rho_2 - \rho_8 \right) \left(\int_0^1 dx \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 + M_N \omega x - i\epsilon}} - \int_0^1 dx \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 - M_N \omega x - i\epsilon}} \right), \\
T_{3h} &= \frac{e^2}{M_N^3} \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)}} (\mu_0 - \mu_1) \rho_3 \left(\int_0^1 dx \sqrt{\gamma^2 + M_N \omega x - i\epsilon} - \int_0^1 dx \sqrt{\gamma^2 - M_N \omega x - i\epsilon} \right).
\end{aligned} \tag{B3}$$

The diagrams with the intermediate triplet or singlet state are shown in Fig.4. The result from each diagram along with photon crossing and the diagram with interchange of two photon coupling vertices, if different, is

$$\begin{aligned}
T_{4a} &= \frac{e^2}{8M_N} \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)}} \omega^2 (z\rho_1 - \rho_2) \left(\int_0^1 dx \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 + M_N \omega x - i\epsilon}} - r^{(3S_1)} \right)^2 \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{a^{(3S_1)}} - \frac{1}{2} r^{(3S_1)} (\gamma^2 + M_N \omega) + \sqrt{\gamma^2 + M_N \omega - i\epsilon}}, \\
T_{4b} &= \frac{e^2}{4M_N} \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)}} \mu_0 \omega^2 (-2\rho_3 + \rho_6) \left(\int_0^1 dx \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 + M_N \omega x - i\epsilon}} - r^{(3S_1)} \right) \left(\int_0^1 dx \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 + M_N \omega x - i\epsilon}} - r^{(3S_1)} + \frac{L_2}{\mu_0} \right) \\
&\quad \times \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{a^{(3S_1)}} - \frac{1}{2} r^{(3S_1)} (\gamma^2 + M_N \omega) + \sqrt{\gamma^2 + M_N \omega - i\epsilon}}, \\
T_{4c} &= -\frac{e^2}{4M_N} \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)}} \mu_0^2 \omega^2 \left[\left(-\frac{4}{3} \rho_2 + \rho_4 + \rho_8 \right) \left(\int_0^1 dx \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 + M_N \omega x - i\epsilon}} - r^{(3S_1)} + \frac{L_2}{\mu_0} \right)^2 \right. \\
&\quad \times \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{a^{(3S_1)}} - \frac{1}{2} r^{(3S_1)} (\gamma^2 + M_N \omega) + \sqrt{\gamma^2 + M_N \omega - i\epsilon}} + \left(-\frac{4}{3} \rho_2 - \rho_4 + \rho_8 \right) \left(\int_0^1 dx \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 - M_N \omega x - i\epsilon}} - r^{(3S_1)} + \frac{L_2}{\mu_0} \right)^2 \\
&\quad \times \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{a^{(3S_1)}} - \frac{1}{2} r^{(3S_1)} (\gamma^2 - M_N \omega) + \sqrt{\gamma^2 - M_N \omega - i\epsilon}} \left. \right] + \frac{e^2}{4M_N} \frac{\gamma}{1 - \gamma r^{(3S_1)}} \mu_1^2 \omega^2 \\
&\quad \times \left[\left(\frac{2}{3} \rho_2 + \rho_4 + \rho_8 \right) \left(\int_0^1 dx \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 - M_N \omega x - i\epsilon}} + \frac{L_1}{\mu_1} \right)^2 \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{a^{(1S_0)}} - \frac{1}{2} r^{(1S_0)} (\gamma^2 - M_N \omega) + \sqrt{\gamma^2 - M_N \omega - i\epsilon}} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left(\frac{2}{3} \rho_2 - \rho_4 + \rho_8 \right) \left(\int_0^1 dx \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 + M_N \omega x - i\epsilon}} + \frac{L_1}{\mu_1} \right)^2 \frac{1}{-\frac{1}{a^{(1S_0)}} - \frac{1}{2} r^{(1S_0)} (\gamma^2 + M_N \omega) + \sqrt{\gamma^2 + M_N \omega - i\epsilon}} \right].
\end{aligned} \tag{B4}$$

For some diagrams, we have made approximations in obtaining the above result. The approximation is made

up to the next-to-next-to-leading order for the relevant amplitudes.

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