Parametrized Phase Shift Model Analysis for 350 MeV $^7$Li Elastic Scattering on $^{12}$C and $^{28}$Si

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The elastic scattering cross sections of 350 MeV $^7$Li incident on $^{12}$C and $^{28}$Si target nuclei were analyzed using the parametrized phase shift model. The calculated results reproduced satisfactorily the structures of the angular distribution, and a comparison with experiment gave excellent agreement over the entire angular range. The diffractive oscillatory structures observed in the angular distributions can be understood in terms of the strong interferences between the near-side and the far-side scattering amplitudes while the scattering behavior of a structureless decreasing pattern at large angles is entirely determined by the far-side scattering. The parametrized phase shift was employed to evaluate the optical potential by using the inversion method. The calculated inversion potentials were compared to the Woods-Saxon potentials obtained from an optical model analysis.

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I. Introduction

The elastic differential cross section is calculated from a square of scattering amplitude. The important ingredient in characterizing the scattering amplitude is the nuclear phase shift. One of the models used for the analysis of elastic scattering data is the parametrized phase shift model [1], in which the nuclear phase shift is expressed as a parametrized form. Since this model provides an analytic expression for the scattering amplitude, it has been employed [2–6] for many years in the description of nucleus-nucleus elastic scattering at low and intermediate energies. Until now, several forms for parametrized phase shift model are known [1]. The parametrized phase shift model based on McIntyre parametrization [7] involves five parameters for a nuclear phase shift, and actually proved to give good fits to the elastic scattering data. The phase shift parameters in this model can be extracted by fitting the elastic scattering data and provide information on scattering properties such as the strong absorption radius and rainbow phenomenon, etc. Throughout this paper, we will use the phase shift model based on McIntyre parametrization to analyze the elastic scattering data and call it simply "parametrized phase shift model (PPSM)".

In parallel with the elastic differential cross section, the knowledge of the nuclear potential between two colliding nuclei is of fundamental important to investigate the interaction regions which have mainly influences on the elastic cross section. There has been a great deal of study [8–12] to evaluate the inversion potential from parametrized phase shift model. Fayyad et al. [8] reported the inversion solution to Woods-Saxon type optical model potential determined from the McIntyre phase shift. The parametrized phase shift model based on Ericson parametrization was employed [9] to analyze the heavy-ion scattering data, and to determine the corresponding optical potential using the Glauber’s eikonal approximation. In our previous paper [13], we used the PPSM to analyze the elastic scatterings of $\alpha + ^{58}$Ni system at $E_{lab} = 288$, 340 and 386 MeV, respectively, and evaluated the optical potential using the inversion procedure with the relation of McIntyre phase shift and a Woods-Saxon type optical potential.
The elastic data [14] for $^7$Li $+ ^{12}$C and $^7$Li $+ ^{28}$Si systems at 350 MeV have been measured and analyzed using the optical and folding models. The elastic data of these systems have attracted considerable interest because they display two different structures: the forward-angle measurements show diffractive oscillations, and the large-angle ones are characterized by smooth exponential falloff. In this paper, we hope to draw attention towards a PPSM to analyze the elastic scattering of $^7$Li $+ ^{12}$C and $^7$Li $+ ^{28}$Si systems at 350 MeV. The purpose of this paper is to understand the elastic differential cross sections of $^7$Li $+ ^{12}$C and $^7$Li $+ ^{28}$Si systems at $E_{lab} = 350$ MeV within the framework of the PPSM. Furthermore, using the phase shift obtained from the present analysis, we calculate the optical potential by the inversion method. The calculated potentials are compared with the the Woods-Saxon potentials obtained in optical model analysis.

**II. Theory**

The nucleus-nucleus elastic scattering cross section between two nonidentical spin-zero nuclei is defined by the expression

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = |f(\theta)|^2,$$

(1)

where the scattering amplitude $f(\theta)$ is given by

$$f(\theta) = f_R(\theta) + \frac{i}{2k} \sum_{L=0}^{\infty} (2L+1) \exp(2i\sigma_L)(1-S_L)P_L(\cos\theta).$$

(2)

Here $f_R(\theta)$, $k$, $\sigma_L$ and $P_L(\cos\theta)$ are the Rutherford scattering amplitude, the wave number, the Coulomb phase shift and the Legendre polynomial, respectively. The nuclear scattering matrix element $S_L$ is associated with the nuclear phase shift $\delta_L$ as follows

$$S_L = \exp[2i\delta(L)] = \exp[2i(\delta_R(L) + i\delta_I(L))].$$

(3)

According to the parametrized phase shift model based on the McIntyre’s parametrization [2,7] of the $S_L$, the real ($\delta_R(L)$) and imaginary ($\delta_I(L)$) parts of nuclear phase shift $\delta(L)$ are given as

$$\delta_R(L) = \mu \left[1 + \exp\left(\frac{L - \Delta g'}{\Delta g}\right)\right]^{-1}$$

(4)

and

$$\delta_I(L) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left[1 + \exp\left(\frac{L_g - L}{\Delta g}\right)\right].$$

(5)

As Eqs. (4) and (5) show, McIntyre phase shift contains five adjustable parameters: $L'_g$, $L_g$, $\Delta g$, $\Delta g'$ and $\mu$. Here, $L'_g$ and $L_g$ are grazing angular momenta in $L$-space which are semiclassically related to the interaction radius of the colliding nuclei in real space. The corresponding widths $\Delta g'$ and $\Delta g$ measured the width of transition region in the angular momentum space. With regard to the parameter $\mu$, it is introduced to give the strength of the real nuclear phase shift.

Using the semiclassical relationships: $b = (L+1/2)/k$, $b_0 = (L_g + 1/2)/k$, $b'_0 = (L'_g + 1/2)/k$, $d = \Delta g/k$ and $d' = \Delta g'/k$, the nuclear phase shift given in Eqs. (4) and (5) can further be expressed as:

$$\delta_R(b) = \frac{\mu}{1 + \exp[(b - b'_0)/d]}$$

(6)

and

$$\delta_I(b) = \frac{1}{2} \ln[1 + \exp(b_0 - b)/d],$$

(7)

where $b$, $b_0$ and $b'_0$ are the impact parameters, $d$ and $d'$ are surface diffuseness quantities.

Following the Glauber’s eikonal approximation [8,15], the nuclear phase shift $\delta(b)$ is connected with the optical potential $U(r)$ given by

$$\delta(b) = -\frac{k}{2E} \int_{\beta}^{\infty} \frac{rU(r)}{\sqrt{r^2 - b^2}} dr = -\frac{k}{2E} \int_{\beta}^{\infty} \frac{rV(r) + iW(r))}{\sqrt{r^2 - b^2}} dr.$$  

(8)

From above equation, we get

$$\delta_R(b) = -\frac{k}{2E} \int_{\beta}^{\infty} \frac{rV(r)}{\sqrt{r^2 - b^2}} dr$$

(9)

and

$$\delta_I(b) = -\frac{k}{2E} \int_{\beta}^{\infty} \frac{rW(r)}{\sqrt{r^2 - b^2}} dr.$$  

(10)

The inverse solutions to these equations are given by

$$V(r) = \frac{4E}{k\pi r} \frac{d}{dr} \int_r^{\infty} \frac{\delta_R(b)}{\sqrt{b^2 - r^2}} db$$

(11)

and

$$W(r) = \frac{4E}{k\pi r} \frac{d}{dr} \int_r^{\infty} \frac{\delta_I(b)}{\sqrt{b^2 - r^2}} db.$$  

(12)
By replacing $b = \sqrt{r^2 + u^2}$ and substituting Eqs. (6) and (7) into Eqs. (11) and (12), the inversion potentials can further be expressed as follows:

$$V(r) = -\frac{4E\mu}{k\pi d} \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{r^2 + u^2}} \frac{\exp[(\sqrt{r^2 + u^2} - b_0)/4]}{(1 + \exp((\sqrt{r^2 + u^2} - b_0)/4))^2} du,$$

and

$$W(r) = -\frac{2E}{k\pi d} \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{r^2 + u^2}} \frac{1}{1 + \exp((\sqrt{r^2 + u^2} - b_0)/4)} du,$$

which can be calculated numerically.

### III. Results and Discussion

The parametrized phase shift model has been used to calculate the differential cross sections for 350 MeV $^7$Li elastic scatterings on $^{12}$C and $^{28}$Si target nuclei. A spin-orbit effects were not taken into account in the calculations of angular distributions because analyzing power data were not measured, and an insensitivity to this spin-orbit interaction was found in the differential cross sections. We searched five input parameters ($L_g$, $L'_g$, $\Delta_g$, $\Delta'_g$, and $\mu$) whose values yield the minimize $\chi^2/N$ value for elastic data. The corresponding phase shift parameters are listed in Table 1 together with the $\chi^2/N$ values. As shown in this Table, very good $\chi^2/N$ values were obtained from the PPSM calculations. It can be noticed in Table 1 that the grazing angular momentum $L_g$ for the imaginary phase shift has higher value compared to one $L'_g$ for real phase shift, and two grazing angular momenta $L_g$ and $L'_g$ increase as the target mass becomes heavier. The solid curves in Fig. 1 show the predictions of the PPSM calculations. The solid circles are the experimental data taken from Ref. [14]. The elastic scattering data are characterized by diffractive oscillations at forward angles and structureless decreasing patterns at the large angles. As Fig. 1 shows, the PPSM calculations reproduced satisfactorily these characteristics of the elastic angular distributions for 350 MeV $^7$Li on $^{12}$C and $^{28}$Si. Overall fits to the experimental data are exceedingly good over the whole angular ranges, and good fits are also reflected by $\chi^2/N$ values for two scattering systems shown in Table 1. The good agreements between experimental data and PPSM calculations indicate that the PPSM is useful approach in the description of elastic

### Table 1. Input values determined from the PPSM analysis for $^7$Li elastic scattering at 350 MeV, along with the minimum $\chi^2/N$ values

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<th>Target</th>
<th>$L_g$</th>
<th>$\Delta_g$</th>
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<th>$\mu$</th>
<th>$\chi^2/N$</th>
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<td>$^{12}$C</td>
<td>33.1313</td>
<td>4.0552</td>
<td>23.2739</td>
<td>5.4575</td>
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<td>$^{28}$Si</td>
<td>53.2442</td>
<td>8.2816</td>
<td>35.5347</td>
<td>6.9922</td>
<td>4.325</td>
<td>1.88</td>
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*10 error bars, $\chi^2/N = (1/N) \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left( \frac{2\ln(\sigma_{th}(\theta_i)) - \sigma_{ex}(\theta_i)}{\Delta\sigma_{th}(\theta_i)} \right)^2$.

Fig. 1. Elastic scattering angular distributions at 350 MeV for $^7$Li + $^{12}$C and $^7$Li + $^{28}$Si systems fitted by parametrized phase shift model (solid curves). Experimental data [14] are shown as solid circles.

scatterings for $^7$Li + $^{12}$C and $^7$Li + $^{28}$Si systems at 350 MeV.

According to the Fuller’s formalism [16], the elastic amplitude can be decomposed into the near-side and the far-side components. This formalism was employed to understand the structure of the cross sections for elastic scattering of 350 MeV $^7$Li on $^{12}$C and $^{28}$Si. The near-side and the far-side cross sections are displayed as dotted and dashed curves in Fig. 2, while the solid curves denote the differential cross sections shown in Fig. 1. The differential cross section is not just a sum of the near-side and the far-side cross sections, but contains an interference.
between the near- and the far-side amplitudes. The characteristics obtained from near/far decompositions are:

1. the diffractive oscillations in the elastic angular distributions at small angles are attributed to the strong interference between the near-side and the far-side amplitudes,
2. the near-side cross sections are comparable in magnitude with the far-side ones at the crossing angles \( \theta_{\text{cross}} = 3.60^\circ \) and \( 5.30^\circ \) (see Table 2 and Fig. 2) for \(^{12}\text{C}\) and \(^{28}\text{Si}\) target, respectively, indicating that \( \theta_{\text{cross}} \) is found to increase as the target mass becomes heavier,
3. the far-side component plays an important contribution to the large-angle cross sections with smooth exponential falloff behavior.

Table 2 shows the analysis results of PPSM calculation for 350 MeV \(^7\text{Li}\) elastic scattering on \(^{12}\text{C}\) and \(^{28}\text{Si}\) target nuclei: crossing angle, the reaction cross section, strong absorption radius and critical angular momentum. The critical angular momentum \( L_{1/2} \) is the \( L \)-value corresponding to \(|S_L|^2 = 1/2\). The strong absorption radius \( R_s \) is related to the critical angular momentum \( L_{1/2} \) through the formula \( R_s = \{ \eta + \sqrt{\eta^2 + L_{1/2}(L_{1/2} + 1)} \}/k \), where \( \eta \) is the Sommerfeld parameter. In Table 2, \( \sigma_{R_s} \) is the geometrical reaction cross sections defined as \( \sigma_{R_s} = \pi R_s^2 \) and \( \sigma_R \) is the reaction cross sections obtained from partial wave sums \( \sigma_R = (\pi/k^2)\Sigma_{L=0}^\infty (2L + 1)(1 - |S_L|^2) \). Table 2 shows, the values of \( \sigma_{R_s} \) are comparable to the ones of \( \sigma_R \). The fairly good agreements indicates that the strong absorption radius can give an information on the magnitude of reaction cross section. As expected, the \( R_s \) value increases as the target mass becomes heavier, consequently, leading to a larger value of the reaction cross section.

To know the presence of nuclear rainbow, we plotted in Fig. 3 the deflection function versus the angular momentum \( L \). In this figure, the solid curves denote the deflection function given by the analytic formula \( \theta_L = 2(d/dL)(\sigma_L + \delta_R(L)) \), while the dotted curves are a pure Coulomb deflection function. When the deflection function has a relative maximum or minimum \( (d\theta_L/dL = 0) \), the angle at maximum (minimum) is called as Coulomb \( \theta_{\text{c,r.}} \) (nuclear \( \theta_{n,r.} \)) rainbow angle. The Coulomb rainbow occurs in a region where the Coulomb potential is large compared to the nuclear one, while the nuclear rainbow arises from the strong nuclear potentials. The deflection function shows a negative nuclear maximum angle at \( L \sim 24 \) \((L \sim 36)\) followed by a Coulomb rainbow at \( L \sim 62 \) \((L \sim 80)\) for \(^{12}\text{C} \) \((^{28}\text{Si})\) target, which nuclear rainbow is evidently presented in each scattering system. As shown in Fig.3 and Table 2, the deflection function for \(^7\text{Li} + ^{12}\text{C}\) system has a similar structure and provides a somewhat larger magnitude of \( \theta_{n,r.} \) in comparison with the results for \(^7\text{Li} + ^{28}\text{Si}\) system.

### Table 2. Quantities obtained from the PPSM analysis for \(^7\text{Li} + ^{12}\text{C}\) and \(^7\text{Li} + ^{28}\text{Si}\) elastic scattering at 350 MeV. All quantities are defined in the text.

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<th>(^{28}\text{Si})</th>
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<td>( \theta_{\text{cross}} ) (deg)</td>
<td>3.60</td>
<td>5.30</td>
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<tr>
<td>( \theta_{n,r.} ) (deg)</td>
<td>0.68</td>
<td>1.22</td>
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<tr>
<td>( L_{1/2} )</td>
<td>36.705</td>
<td>60.5434</td>
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<tr>
<td>( R_s ) (fm)</td>
<td>5.499</td>
<td>7.156</td>
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<tr>
<td>( \sigma_{R_s} ) (mb)</td>
<td>950</td>
<td>1609</td>
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<td>( \sigma_R ) (mb)</td>
<td>980</td>
<td>1677</td>
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Using the phase shift parameters, the calculations of the inversion potentials Eqs. (13) and (14) have been carried out numerically. The results of our calculation are displayed by the solid curves in Figs. 4 and 5. In these figures, the dotted curves denote the Woods-Saxon potentials extracted from the optical model analysis given in Ref. [14]. From a comparison of two curves, we can see the followings: (1) The inversion potentials in this study provide reasonable agreements with the Woods-Saxon ones obtained in optical model analysis near the strong absorption radius, though solid curves for $^7$Li + $^{28}$Si system are slightly different from the dotted curves. This means that the experimental data of 350 MeV $^7$Li elastic scattering on $^{12}$C and $^{28}$Si are sensitive to the potential near the strong absorption radius. (2) The real potentials from inversion procedure provided better agreement with the real Woods-Saxon ones obtained in optical model analysis, in comparison with the results of imaginary potentials. (3) Both the real and imaginary parts of the inversion potential differ greatly from those of the Woods-Saxon potential [14] in the interior region. Such big differences between two type optical potentials at small $r$ regions are not important because the measured angular distributions are sensitive mainly to the surface region of the potential.

IV. Concluding Remarks

The elastic scattering data of 350 MeV $^7$Li incident on $^{12}$C and $^{28}$Si target nuclei have been analyzed within the framework of parametrized phase shift model. Our calculations have been found to reproduce satisfactorily both of the diffractive oscillations at forward angles and structureless decreasing patterns at large angles appearing on the experimental data for the elastic scattering of $^7$Li on $^{12}$C and $^{28}$Si at 350 MeV. The PPSM proved to give
Fig. 5. (Color online) Imaginary part of $^7\text{Li} + ^{12}\text{C}$ and $^7\text{Li} + ^{28}\text{Si}$ optical potential at 350 MeV. The dotted and solid curves are the radial shape of Woods-Saxon potential taken from [113] and the inversion potential using Eq. (14), respectively. The arrows denote the position of the strong absorption radius.

good fits to the experimental data over the whole angular range of two scattering systems. Through a near/far decomposition of the differential cross section, the diffractive oscillatory patterns appearing on the forward angular regions are thought to be arose from the strong interference between two scattering amplitudes. However, the structureless decreasing behavior of large angle cross sections is strongly dominated by the far-side scattering. The presence of a nuclear rainbow in each scattering system is apparently evidenced from the deflection function. The magnitude of reaction cross section could be approximately predicted from the strong absorption radius.

Using the inversion procedures that the optical potential can be numerically estimated from the McIntyre phase shift, the inversion potentials were predicted. The inversion potentials of two scattering systems provided reasonable agreements with the Woods-Saxon ones deduced from the optical model analysis in the surface region around $R_s$, but were found to be greatly different in the interior regions. This facts tell us that most of the contribution to the elastic cross section comes from the surface region.

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