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The current accepted convention for spin-spin data is spins anti-parallel – spins parallel. In looking at the EXFOR data, all but 2 data sets are coded this way (one area 1 and 1 area 2). I am updating the LEXFOR Manual to reflect this, and the area 1 data set. I have also updated the area 2 data set and will send it to NEA Data Bank.

**Definitions:**  $\sigma_{SS} = (\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow} - \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow})/2$  Spin-spin cross section  
 $\Delta\sigma = \sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow} - \sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}$  Difference cross section  
where  $\sigma_{\uparrow\uparrow}$  = cross section for incident-projectile and target spins parallel  
 $\sigma_{\uparrow\downarrow}$  = cross section for incident-projectile and target spins anti-parallel

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