Factorial cumulants from short-range correlations and global baryon number conservation

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We calculate the baryon factorial cumulants assuming arbitrary short-range correlations and the global baryon number conservation. The general factorial cumulant generating function is derived. Various relations between factorial cumulants subjected to baryon number conservation and the factorial cumulants without this constraint are presented. We observe that for *n*th factorial cumulant the short-range correlations of more than *n* particles are suppressed with increasing number of particles. The recently published [V. Vovchenko *et al.*, Phys. Lett. B **811**, 135868 (2020)] relations between the cumulants in a finite acceptance with global baryon conservation and the grand-canonical susceptibilities are reproduced.

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I. INTRODUCTION

The search for the predicted first-order phase transition and the corresponding critical end point between hadronic matter and quark-gluon plasma is one of the most important challenges in high-energy physics [1-4]. Since fluctuations of observables such as baryon number, electric charge, or strangeness number are sensitive to the phase transitions, they are broadly studied both theoretically and experimentally in relativistic heavy-ion collisions [1,5-24].

Higher-order cumulants, κ_n , are commonly used to describe such fluctuations [10,25–32]. Nevertheless, the cumulants mix the correlation functions of different orders and also they may be dominated by the trivial average number of particles. On the other hand, the factorial cumulants, \hat{C}_n , represent the integrated multiparticle correlation functions [4,33–35] and their applications can be seen, e.g., in Refs. [35–41]. However, one should be careful because various effects such as the impact parameter fluctuation or the conservation laws may be reflected in the anomalies of factorial cumulants or cumulants [26,30,39,41–49].

In our previous paper [50] we calculated the proton, antiproton, and mixed proton-antiproton factorial cumulants, assuming that the global baryon number conservation is the only source of correlations. We assumed that the acceptance is governed by the binomial distribution, which is correct if there are no other sources of correlations. Recently, in Ref. [51], it was argued that applying the binomial acceptance is not correct if, e.g., short-range correlations are present in the system. Instead of the binomial acceptance, the subensemble acceptance method (SAM) was proposed. Using this approach, the relation between cumulants in a finite acceptance with global baryon conservation and the grand-canonical susceptibilities (cumulants), measured, e.g., on the lattice, was derived. The calculation presented in [51] assumes that the subvolume, in which cumulants are calculated, is large enough to be close to the thermodynamic limit.

In this paper we use SAM to study the factorial cumulants for one species of particles subjected to short-range correlations and the global baryon number conservation. In particular, we derive the general factorial cumulant generating function and various relations between factorial cumulants subjected to baryon number conservation and cumulants without this constraint. We also observe that for *n*th factorial cumulant the short-range correlations of more than *n* particles are suppressed with increasing total number of particles. Finally, we reproduce the main results of Ref. [51].

In the next section, we present our derivation of the factorial cumulant generating function. In Sec. III we discuss in detail the case of two-particle short-range correlations, providing analytical formulas for the factorial cumulants up to the sixth order. We analyze their dependencies on the correlation strength and acceptance and propose certain approximations. Then, in Sec. IV, we move to multiparticle correlations. This is followed by a comparison of the cumulants obtained in our computation with the outcome of Ref. [51]. Finally, we present our comments and summary.

II. FACTORIAL CUMULANT GENERATING FUNCTION

Consider a system of a fixed volume and some number of baryons of one species only, say protons. We divide it into two subsystems which can exchange particles; see Fig. 1. Let $P_1(n_1)$ be the probability that there are n_1 baryons in the

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FIG. 1. The system divided into two subsystems with n_1 particles in the first subvolume and n_2 particles in the second one. n_1 is inside and n_2 is outside of our acceptance.

first subsystem and $P_2(n_2)$ be the probability that there are n_2 baryons in the second one. Then, the probability that there are n_1 particles in the first part and n_2 particles in the second one is given by

$$P(n_1, n_2) = P_1(n_1)P_2(n_2), \tag{1}$$

if there are no correlations between the two subsystems. This equation is also approximately true for the case of short-range correlations, that is, if the correlation length is much shorter than the system size. In this paper we assume that this is exactly the case. We note that this is also one of the assumptions of the analysis of Ref. [51].

Now we impose the global baryon number conservation with a fixed total baryon number *B*. In this case

$$P_B(n_1, n_2) = A P_1(n_1) P_2(n_2) \delta_{n_1 + n_2, B},$$
(2)

where *A* is the normalization constant and $\delta_{n_1+n_2,B}$ is the Kronecker delta responsible for the conservation law, that is $n_1 + n_2 = B$. The probability that there are n_1 particles in the first subvolume reads

$$P_B(n_1) = \sum_{n_2=0}^{\infty} P_B(n_1, n_2),$$
(3)

where the subscript B indicates that the quantity is influenced by the conservation law.

The probability generating function corresponding to $P_B(n_1)$ is

$$H_{(1,B)}(z) = \sum_{n_1=0}^{\infty} P_B(n_1) z^{n_1},$$
(4)

where, here and in the following, the subscript (1, B) indicates that the quantity from the first bin is influenced by the global

baryon number conservation. Using the integral representation of the Kronecker delta,

$$\delta_{p,r} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|x|=1} \frac{dx}{x} x^{p-r},\tag{5}$$

where x is a complex variable, we obtain

$$H_{(1,B)}(z) = \frac{A}{2\pi i} \oint_{|x|=1} \frac{dx}{x^{B+1}} H_1(xz) H_2(x), \tag{6}$$

where

$$H_i(z) = \sum_{n_i=0}^{\infty} P_i(n_i) z^{n_i}, \qquad i = 1, 2,$$
(7)

is the probability generating function for the multiplicity distribution $P_i(n_i)$, i = 1, 2, free of the baryon number conservation.

The factorial cumulant generating function is given by (see, e.g., [4]):

$$G(z) = \ln[H(z)], \tag{8}$$

thus,

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) = \ln[H_{(1,B)}(z)] = \ln\left[\frac{A}{2\pi i} \oint_{|x|=1} \frac{dx}{x^{B+1}} e^{G_1(xz)} e^{G_2(x)}\right],$$
(9)

where G_1 and G_2 are the factorial cumulant generating functions free of the baryon number conservation.

Using Cauchy's differentiation formula,

$$\oint_{|x|=1} dx \frac{f(x)}{x^{B+1}} = \frac{2\pi i}{B!} \left. \frac{d^B f(x)}{dx^B} \right|_{x=0},\tag{10}$$

we obtain

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) = \ln \left[\frac{A}{B!} \frac{d^B}{dx^B} \left(e^{G_1(xz)} e^{G_2(x)} \right) \Big|_{x=0} \right].$$
(11)

We can express the factorial cumulant generating functions G_i by the series of their factorial cumulants $\hat{C}_k^{(i)}$ (i = 1, 2 denoting the subvolume number). For example¹

$$G_2(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(x-1)^k}{k!} \hat{C}_k^{(2)}.$$
 (12)

This leads to

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) = \ln\left[\frac{A}{B!} \frac{d^B}{dx^B} \exp\left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(xz-1)^k \hat{C}_k^{(1)} + (x-1)^k \hat{C}_k^{(2)}}{k!}\right)\Big|_{x=0}\right].$$
(13)

Note that $\hat{C}_k^{(1)}$, $\hat{C}_k^{(2)}$ are respectively the factorial cumulants in the first and the second subsystems for the multiplicity distributions free of the global baryon conservation. As ex-

¹So that we have $\hat{C}_k^{(2)} = \frac{d^k}{dx^k} G_2(x)|_{x=1}$.

plained earlier, these factorial cumulants are sensitive to the short-range correlations only.

Finally, using Faá di Bruno's formula (for details see Appendix A) we obtain

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) = \ln\left[\frac{A'}{B!} \operatorname{Bell}_{B}\left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k}}{k!} [\hat{C}_{k+1}^{(1)}z + \hat{C}_{k+1}^{(2)}], \\ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k}}{k!} [\hat{C}_{k+2}^{(1)}z^{2} + \hat{C}_{k+2}^{(2)}], \\ \dots, \\ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k}}{k!} [\hat{C}_{k+B}^{(1)}z^{B} + \hat{C}_{k+B}^{(2)}]\right)\right],$$
(14)

where A' is a constant not relevant for further calculations, and Bell_B is the Bth complete exponential Bell polynomial:

$$\operatorname{Bell}_{B}(x_{1}, x_{2}, \dots, x_{B}) = \sum_{i=1}^{B} \operatorname{Bell}_{B,i}(x_{1}, x_{2}, \dots, x_{B-i+1}),$$
(15)

with $\text{Bell}_{B,i}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{B-i+1})$ being the partial exponential Bell polynomials.

The goal of this paper is to relate the factorial cumulants $\hat{C}_{k}^{(1,B)}$ of $P_{B}(n_{1})$,

$$\hat{C}_{k}^{(1,B)} = \left. \frac{d^{k}}{dz^{k}} G_{(1,B)}(z) \right|_{z=1},$$
(16)

through the factorial cumulants $\hat{C}_k^{(1)}$, $\hat{C}_k^{(2)}$ of the probability distributions $P_1(n_1)$ and $P_2(n_2)$, respectively.

In this paper we allow for the short-range correlations only (besides the global baryon conservation which results in the long-range correlation) and consequently the factorial cumulants $\hat{C}_k^{(i)}$ (without baryon number conservation) of any order *k* are proportional to the mean number of particles; see, e.g., [4]. We have

$$\hat{C}_{k}^{(1)} = \langle n_{1} \rangle \alpha_{k} = f \langle N \rangle \alpha_{k},$$

$$\hat{C}_{k}^{(2)} = \langle n_{2} \rangle \alpha_{k} = (1 - f) \langle N \rangle \alpha_{k},$$
(17)

where $\langle N \rangle = \langle n_1 \rangle + \langle n_2 \rangle$ is the mean total number of particles in the system, *f* is a fraction of particles in the first subvolume, and α_k describes the strength of *k*-particle short-range correlation ($\alpha_1 = 1$). If there are no short-range correlations in the system, then $\alpha_k = 0$ for k > 1. We note that $\langle n_1 \rangle$ is the mean number of particles of $P_1(n_1)$, the distribution not affected by the global baryon conservation (and analogously for $\langle n_2 \rangle$).

In the following we will usually assume that $\langle N \rangle = B$. Introducing the global baryon number conservation further requires that the total number of particles in every event equals *B*. That is why the average number of baryons with the baryon number conservation included also equals *B*.

III. TWO-PARTICLE CORRELATIONS

Here we consider two-particle short-range correlations only, that is, $\alpha_2 \neq 0$ and $\alpha_k = 0$ for $k \ge 3$.

A. An analytic approach using Faá di Bruno's formula and Bell polynomials

We apply Eqs. (17) to Eq. (14) with $\alpha_k = 0$ for $k \ge 3$, and use some properties of the exponential Bell polynomials. The detailed calculation is presented in Appendix B. The factorial cumulant generating function reads

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) = \ln \left[A' \frac{[B(1-\alpha_2)(fz+\bar{f})]^{2B_0-B} [\frac{1}{2}B\alpha_2(fz^2+\bar{f})]^{B-B_0}}{(B-B_0)!} \times {}_2F_2 \left(1, B_0 - B; B_0 - \frac{B}{2} + \frac{1}{2}, B_0 - \frac{B}{2} + 1; -\frac{B(1-\alpha_2)^2(fz+\bar{f})^2}{2\alpha_2(fz^2+\bar{f})} \right) \right],$$
(18)

where

$$B_0 = \left\lceil \frac{B}{2} \right\rceil \equiv \begin{cases} \frac{B}{2} & \text{for } B \text{ even,} \\ \frac{B+1}{2} & \text{for } B \text{ odd,} \end{cases}$$
(19)

 $\bar{f} = 1 - f$, and $_2F_2(\cdots)$ is the generalized hypergeometric function defined as

$${}_{2}F_{2}(a_{1}, a_{2}; b_{1}, b_{2}; z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a_{1})^{(n)}(a_{2})^{(n)}}{(b_{1})^{(n)}(b_{2})^{(n)}} \frac{z^{n}}{n!}$$
(20)

with

$$(x)^{(n)} = \begin{cases} \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} (x+k) & \text{if } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots, \\ 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \end{cases}$$
(21)

being the rising factorial (Pochhammer symbol).

Note that for even *B* the fourth argument of $_2F_2$ becomes 1 whereas for odd *B* the third argument becomes 1. Therefore, $_2F_2$ is in either case reduced to $_1F_1$ (the confluent hypergeometric function). Moreover, $(B_0 - B)$, the second argument of $_2F_2$ is a negative integer, so $(B_0 - B)^{(n)} = 0$ starting from $n = B - B_0 + 1$. Therefore, the sum in $_2F_2$ is in fact finite from n = 0 to $B - B_0$.²

²It is straightforward to show that, for the special case of $\alpha_2 = 0$ (no short-range correlations, making the global baryon number conservation the only source of correlations), the factorial cumulant generating function, Eq. (18), becomes $G_{(1,B)}(z) = \tilde{C} + B \ln(fz + \bar{f})$, where $\tilde{C} = \ln(\frac{A}{B!}B^B) - B$. Obviously the same result is obtained assuming $\alpha_k = 0$ for $k \ge 2$ already in Eq. (13). The resulting factorial cumulants are $\hat{C}_n^{(1,B)} = (-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!f^nB$, consistent with the approach presented in Ref. [50] but applied to one kind of particles.

The factorial cumulants obtained from Eq. (18), see Eq. (16), read:

$$\hat{C}_1^{(1,B)} = fB,$$
(22)

$$\hat{C}_{2}^{(1,B)} = -f^{2}B + 2f\beta - \frac{f\beta\gamma}{\alpha_{2}}R_{1},$$
(23)

$$\hat{C}_{3}^{(1,B)} = 2f^{3}B - 12f^{2}\beta + 6\frac{f^{2}\beta\gamma}{\alpha_{2}}R_{1},$$
(24)

$$\hat{C}_{4}^{(1,B)} = -3! f^{4}B - 12f^{2}(1-7f)\beta - 3\frac{f^{2}\beta\gamma}{\alpha_{2}^{2}} [\beta\gamma R_{1}^{2} - 4(1-4f)\alpha_{2}R_{1} - 2\bar{f}\gamma(B-B_{0}-1)R_{2}],$$
(25)

$$\hat{C}_{5}^{(1,B)} = 4! f^{5}B + 240 f^{3}(1-3f)\beta + 60 \frac{f^{3}\beta\gamma}{\alpha_{2}^{2}} [\beta\gamma R_{1}^{2} - 4(1-2f)\alpha_{2}R_{1} - 2\bar{f}\gamma(B-B_{0}-1)R_{2}],$$
(26)

$$\hat{C}_{6}^{(1,B)} = -5!f^{6}B + 60\frac{f^{3}\beta}{\alpha_{2}} \Big[-\bar{f}^{2}\gamma + 4(31f^{2} - 17f + 1)\alpha_{2} \Big] - 15\frac{f^{3}\beta\gamma}{\alpha_{2}^{3}} \Big[2\beta^{2}\gamma^{2}R_{1}^{3} - 6\bar{f}\beta\gamma^{2}(B - B_{0} - 1)R_{1}R_{2} \\ - 12\beta\gamma(1 - 6f)\alpha_{2}R_{1}^{2} + 2\alpha_{2}^{2} \Big[191f^{2} - 142f + 11 - B_{0}(3 + 2B_{0})\bar{f}^{2} \Big]R_{1} \\ + \alpha_{2}\bar{f}^{2}B \Big[(2\alpha_{2}^{2} - 5\alpha_{2} + 2)B - 2(\alpha_{2}^{2} - 4\alpha_{2} + 1)B_{0} - (4\alpha_{2}^{2} - 11\alpha_{2} + 4) \Big]R_{1} \\ + 2\bar{f}\gamma(B - B_{0} - 1) \Big[(7 - 4B_{0}\bar{f} - 67f)\alpha_{2} - B\bar{f} \big(1 - 4\alpha_{2} + \alpha_{2}^{2} \big) \Big]R_{2} \Big],$$

$$(27)$$

where the commonly appearing terms are defined as follows:

$$\beta = (B - B_0)\bar{f},\tag{28}$$

$$\gamma = B(1 - \alpha_2)^2, \tag{29}$$

$$R_{n} = \frac{2\widetilde{F}_{2}\left(1+n, B_{0}-B+n; B_{0}-\frac{B}{2}+\frac{1}{2}+n, B_{0}-\frac{B}{2}+1+n; -\frac{B(1-\alpha_{2})^{2}}{2\alpha_{2}}\right)}{2\widetilde{F}_{2}\left(1, B_{0}-B; B_{0}-\frac{B}{2}+\frac{1}{2}, B_{0}-\frac{B}{2}+1; -\frac{B(1-\alpha_{2})^{2}}{2\alpha_{2}}\right)},$$
(30)

with

$${}_{2}\widetilde{F}_{2}(a_{1}, a_{2}; b_{1}, b_{2}, z) = \frac{{}_{2}F_{2}(a_{1}, a_{2}; b_{1}, b_{2}, z)}{\Gamma(b_{1})\Gamma(b_{2})}$$
(31)

being the regularized generalized hypergeometric function.

B. An approximate approach using the general Leibnitz formula

In the case of two-particle short-range correlations only, Eq. (13) reads

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) = \ln\left[\frac{A}{B!}\frac{d^B}{dx^B}\left[\exp((xz-1)f\langle N\rangle + (x-1)\bar{f}\langle N\rangle)\exp\left(\frac{1}{2}(xz-1)^2f\langle N\rangle\alpha_2 + \frac{1}{2}(x-1)^2\bar{f}\langle N\rangle\alpha_2\right)\right]\Big|_{x=0}\right],$$
(32)

where α_2 is defined in Eq. (17).

Assuming α_2 to be small, we expand the second exponent in Eq. (32) into a series. Then, we calculate the *B*th derivative of a product of two functions using the general Leibnitz formula. For details see Appendix C, where the relevant factorial cumulant generating function is given.

Using Eq. (16) we calculate $\hat{C}_n^{(1,B)}$ and expand them into the Taylor series in α_2 . We obtain

$$\hat{C}_1^{(1,B)} = fB,$$
(33)

$$\hat{C}_{2}^{(1,B)} = -f^{2}B + \bar{f}f(B-1)\,\alpha_{2} + 3\bar{f}f\frac{B-1}{B}\,\alpha_{2}^{2} - 5\bar{f}f\frac{(B-1)(B-3)}{B^{2}}\,\alpha_{2}^{3} + \bar{f}f\frac{(B-1)(7B^{2}-65B+105)}{B^{3}}\,\alpha_{2}^{4} + \cdots,$$
(34)

$$\hat{C}_{3}^{(1,B)} = 2f^{3}B - 6\bar{f}f^{2}(B-1)\alpha_{2} - 18\bar{f}f^{2}\frac{B-1}{B}\alpha_{2}^{2} + 30\bar{f}f^{2}\frac{(B-1)(B-3)}{B^{2}}\alpha_{2}^{3} - 6\bar{f}f^{2}\frac{(B-1)(7B^{2}-65B+105)}{B^{3}}\alpha_{2}^{4} + \cdots,$$
(35)

$$\hat{C}_{4}^{(1,B)} = -3! f^{4}B + 36\bar{f}f^{3}(B-1)\alpha_{2} - 6\bar{f}f^{2}(B-1)\frac{2\bar{f}B - 15f - 3}{B}\alpha_{2}^{2} + 12\bar{f}f^{2}(B-1)\frac{\bar{f}B^{2} - B(4f+11) + 15(1+2f)}{B^{2}}\alpha_{2}^{3}$$

$$-6\bar{f}f^{2}(B-1)\frac{2\bar{f}B^{3}-21B^{2}(3-f)+15B(19+7f)-315(1+f)}{B^{3}}\alpha_{2}^{4}+\cdots,$$
(36)

$$\hat{C}_{5}^{(1,B)} = 4! f^{5}B - 240\bar{f}f^{4}(B-1)\alpha_{2} + 120\bar{f}f^{3}(B-1)\frac{2\bar{f}B - 3f - 3}{B}\alpha_{2}^{2} - 240\bar{f}f^{3}(B-1)\frac{\bar{f}B^{2} - B(11 - 6f) + 15}{B^{2}}\alpha_{2}^{3} + 120\bar{f}f^{3}(B-1)\frac{2\bar{f}B^{3} - 7B^{2}(9 - 7f) + 5B(57 - 31f) - 105(3 - f)}{B^{3}}\alpha_{2}^{4} + \cdots,$$
(37)

$$\hat{C}_{6}^{(1,B)} = -5!f^{6}B + 1800\bar{f}f^{5}(B-1)\alpha_{2} - 1800\bar{f}f^{4}(B-1)\frac{2\bar{f}B-3}{B}\alpha_{2}^{2}$$

$$-120\bar{f}f^{3}(B-1)\frac{-5\bar{f}(5f+1)B^{2} + (-238f^{2} + 296f + 17)B + 15(14f^{2} - 28f - 1)}{B^{2}}\alpha_{2}^{3} - 360\bar{f}f^{3}(B-1)$$

$$\times \frac{2\bar{f}(2+3f)B^{3} + 5B^{2}(47f^{2} - 45f - 9) - 25B(39f^{2} - 47f - 5) + 105(9f^{2} - 13f - 1)}{B^{3}}\alpha_{2}^{4} + \cdots$$
(38)

Here we expand up to α_2^4 , but higher orders can be easily obtained.³

Having factorial cumulants, one can easily calculate cumulants κ_n .⁴ For example,

$$\kappa_1^{(1,B)} = fB,\tag{39}$$

$$\kappa_2^{(1,B)} = \bar{f}f \bigg[B + (B-1)\alpha_2 + 3\frac{B-1}{B}\alpha_2^2 - 5\frac{(B-1)(B-3)}{B^2}\alpha_2^3 + \frac{(B-1)(7B^2 - 65B + 105)}{B^3}\alpha_2^4 + \cdots \bigg], \tag{40}$$

$$\kappa_{3}^{(1,B)} = \bar{f}f(1-2f) \bigg[B + 3(B-1)\,\alpha_{2} + 9\frac{B-1}{B}\,\alpha_{2}^{2} - 15\frac{(B-1)(B-3)}{B^{2}}\,\alpha_{2}^{3} + 3\frac{(B-1)(7B^{2}-65B+105)}{B^{3}}\,\alpha_{2}^{4} + \cdots \bigg],$$
(41)

$$\kappa_{4}^{(1,B)} = \bar{f}f \bigg[B(1-6\bar{f}f) + (B-1)[7-36\bar{f}f]\alpha_{2} + 3\frac{B-1}{B}[7-2\bar{f}f(2B+15)]\alpha_{2}^{2} - \frac{B-1}{B^{2}}[35(B-3) - 12\bar{f}f(B^{2}+4B-30)]\alpha_{2}^{3} + \frac{B-1}{B^{3}}[7(7B^{2}-65B+105) - 6\bar{f}f(2B^{3}-21(B^{2}+5B-15))]\alpha_{2}^{4} + \cdots \bigg].$$
(42)

C. Examples

To illustrate our results, in Fig. 2 we plot the factorial cumulants for B = 300 and f = 0.2 as a function of α_2 . We verified that the analytic results obtained using Faá di Bruno's formula and Bell polynomials, Eqs. (22)–(27), are equivalent to the exact computation obtained differentiating Eq. (32) B = 300 times. We compared them with approximate results obtained using the general Leibnitz formula, Eqs. (33)–(38). As seen in Fig. 2, $\hat{C}_2^{(1,B)}$ and $\hat{C}_3^{(1,B)}$ are very well approximated already by a linear expansion in α_2 . This is not surprising. It is clear from Eqs. (34) and (35) that higher powers of α_2 are suppressed for large *B*. Quartic expansions of $\hat{C}_4^{(1,B)}$ and $\hat{C}_5^{(1,B)}$ are in good agreement with exact results in the whole investigated range $-0.5 \leq \alpha_2 \leq 0.5$, whereas quartic expansion of $\hat{C}_6^{(1,B)}$ works in a narrower range of $-0.3 \leq \alpha_2 \leq 0.3$, which is acceptable since α_2 was assumed to be rather small.

It is also useful to plot these factorial cumulants as functions of f for fixed B and α_2 (we choose B = 300 and $\alpha_2 = 0.25$); see Fig. 3. For $\hat{C}_2^{(1,B)}$, $\hat{C}_3^{(1,B)}$, and $\hat{C}_4^{(1,B)}$ already a linear expansion in α_2 is in good agreement with the exact results. In the case of $\hat{C}_5^{(1,B)}$ and $\hat{C}_6^{(1,B)}$ significant deviations between the linear α_2 expansion and the exact function are observed. Including higher order terms up to α_2^4 is sufficient to reproduce the exact results.

IV. MULTIPARTICLE CORRELATIONS

In this section we calculate the factorial cumulants, taking into account the multiparticle short-range correlations. The generating function, Eq. (13), can be written as

³Obviously, in order to calculate more terms, one needs to take larger m_{max} in Eq. (C3), see Appendix C.

⁴Relations between cumulants and factorial cumulants read $\kappa_2 = \langle n \rangle + \hat{C}_2$, $\kappa_3 = \langle n \rangle + 3\hat{C}_2 + \hat{C}_3$, $\kappa_4 = \langle n \rangle + 7\hat{C}_2 + 6\hat{C}_3 + \hat{C}_4$, $\kappa_5 = \langle n \rangle + 15\hat{C}_2 + 25\hat{C}_3 + 10\hat{C}_4 + \hat{C}_5$, $\kappa_6 = \langle n \rangle + 31\hat{C}_2 + 90\hat{C}_3 + 65\hat{C}_4 + 15\hat{C}_5 + \hat{C}_6$, where mean $\langle n \rangle = \hat{C}_1 = \kappa_1$. Details can be found, e.g., in Appendix A of Ref. [4].



FIG. 2. Factorial cumulants $\hat{C}_n^{(1,B)}$ (n = 2, 3, ..., 6, assuming B = 300, f = 0.2, and $\alpha_k = 0$ for $k \ge 3$) as a function of the two-particle correlation strength, α_2 . The "exact" line in each plot represents the analytic result, Eqs. (22)–(27). Other lines represent approximate power series expansions, Eqs. (33)–(38). For $\hat{C}_2^{(1,B)}$ and $\hat{C}_3^{(1,B)}$ only linear terms are presented because higher powers of α_2 give practically identical results.

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) = \ln\left\{\frac{A}{B!}\frac{d^B}{dx^B}\left[\exp[(xz-1)f\langle N\rangle + (x-1)\bar{f}\langle N\rangle]\left(\sum_{m=0}^{\infty}\frac{V^m}{m!}\right)\right]\right|_{x=0}\right\},\tag{43}$$

where

$$V = \sum_{k=2}^{5} \left(\frac{(xz-1)^{k}}{k!} f\langle N \rangle \alpha_{k} + \frac{(x-1)^{k}}{k!} \bar{f}\langle N \rangle \alpha_{k} \right).$$
(44)

Here we assumed that $\alpha_k \neq 0$ for $k \leq 5$.

Considering α_k to be small, we can limit our expansion to a linear term in V:

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) \approx \ln\left[\frac{A}{B!}\frac{d^B}{dx^B}\left\{\exp[(xz-1)f\langle N\rangle + (x-1)\bar{f}\langle N\rangle](1+V)\right\}\Big|_{x=0}\right].$$
(45)

By evaluating the derivatives using the general Leibnitz formula, we obtain:

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) \approx \ln(A) - \ln(B!) - \langle N \rangle + B \ln(\langle N \rangle Y_1) + \ln\left[1 + \langle N \rangle \sum_{k=2}^5 A_k \alpha_k\right],\tag{46}$$



FIG. 3. Factorial cumulants $\hat{C}_n^{(1,B)}$ (n = 2, 3, ..., 6, assuming B = 300, $\alpha_2 = 0.25$, and $\alpha_k = 0$ for $k \ge 3$) as a function of a fraction of particles in the first of the two subsystems, f. In each figure we show the "exact" line representing analytic results, Eqs. (22)–(27), and approximate expansions from Eqs. (33)–(38). For readability, we present only linear and quartic functions.

where

$$A_{k} = \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{j=0}^{k} (-1)^{k-j} \binom{k}{j} \frac{B!}{(B-j)!} \frac{X_{j}}{\langle N \rangle^{j}},$$
(47)

 $X_k = Y_k / (Y_1)^k$, and $Y_k = f z^k + \bar{f}$.

The factorial cumulants are given by (here $\langle N \rangle = B$ and the calculated factorial cumulants are expanded in small α_k)

$$\hat{C}_1^{(1,B)} = fB,$$
(48)

$$\hat{C}_{2}^{(1,B)} = -f^{2}B + \bar{f}f(B-1) \left[\alpha_{2} - 2\frac{1}{B} \alpha_{3} - \frac{1}{2}\frac{B-6}{B^{2}} \alpha_{4} + \frac{4}{3}\frac{B-3}{B^{3}} \alpha_{5} \right] + \cdots,$$
(49)

$$\hat{C}_{3}^{(1,B)} = 2f^{3}B - \bar{f}f(B-1) \bigg[6f \,\alpha_{2} + \frac{(2f-1)B + 2(1-8f)}{B} \,\alpha_{3} - 3\frac{(3f-1)B + 2(1-5f)}{B^{2}} \alpha_{4} \\ + \frac{1}{2} \frac{(1-2f)B^{2} + 2(22f-7)B + 24(1-4f)}{B^{3}} \alpha_{5} \bigg] + \cdots,$$
(50)

$$\hat{C}_{4}^{(1,B)} = -6f^{4}B + \bar{f}f(B-1) \bigg[36f^{2} \alpha_{2} + 12f \frac{(2f-1)B + 2(1-5f)}{B} \alpha_{3} + \frac{B^{2}(3f^{2} - 3f + 1) - B(105f^{2} - 51f + 5) + 6(45f^{2} - 15f + 1)}{B^{2}} \alpha_{4} - 2\frac{B^{2}(12f^{2} - 9f + 2) - 2B(69f^{2} - 36f + 5) + 12(21f^{2} - 9f + 1)}{B^{3}} \alpha_{5} \bigg] + \cdots,$$
(51)

Note that the α_2 terms are in agreement with the linear part of Eqs. (33)–(36). The higher order factorial cumulants can be also readily derived.

In the limit of large *B* (and small α_k) the factorial cumulants read⁵

$$\hat{C}_{1}^{(1,B)} = fB,$$
(52)
 $\hat{C}_{2}^{(1,B)} \approx fB[-f + \bar{f}\alpha_{2}],$
(53)

$$\hat{C}_{3}^{(1,B)} \approx fB[2f^2 - 6\bar{f}f\alpha_2 + \bar{f}(1 - 2f)\alpha_3],\tag{54}$$

$$\hat{C}_4^{(1,B)} \approx fB \left[-3! f^3 + 36\bar{f}f^2\alpha_2 - 12\bar{f}f(1-2f)\alpha_3 + \bar{f}(1-3\bar{f}f)\alpha_4\right],\tag{55}$$

$$\hat{C}_{5}^{(1,B)} \approx fB[4!f^4 - 240f^3\bar{f}\alpha_2 + 120f^2\bar{f}(1-2f)\alpha_3 - 20f\bar{f}(1-3f\bar{f})\alpha_4 + \bar{f}(1-2f)(1-2f\bar{f})\alpha_5],$$
(56)

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{C}_{6}^{(1,B)} \approx & fB[-5!f^5 + 1800f^4\bar{f}\alpha_2 - 1200f^3\bar{f}(1-2f)\alpha_3 + 300f^2\bar{f}(1-3f\bar{f})\alpha_4 - 30f\bar{f}(1-2f)(1-2f\bar{f})\alpha_5 \\ &+ \bar{f}(1-5f\bar{f}(1-f\bar{f}))\alpha_6]. \end{aligned}$$

One can observe that, for large *B*, $\hat{C}_n^{(1,B)}$ is not influenced by α_k with k > n. For example, in $\hat{C}_3^{(1,B)}$ only two- and threeparticle short-range correlations, represented by α_2 and α_3 , are significant, and the higher-ordered ones are suppressed. In this calculation we assumed that α_k is small enough to include in Eq. (43) only the linear term in *V*. It was checked that our conclusion about the suppression of higher order α_k is also true if higher powers of *V* are taken into account. To demonstrate this point, in Appendix D we present results with $(1 + V + V^2/2)$ instead of (1 + V) in Eq. (45).

V. AGREEMENT WITH REF. [51]

(57)

It would be interesting to test our technique and reproduce the results presented in Ref. [51]. We take Eqs. (52)–(55), valid for large B, and known relations between cumulants and factorial cumulants, and calculate the cumulants in the first subsystem with short-range correlations and baryon number conservation. We obtain

$$\kappa_2^{(1,B)} \approx \bar{f} f B(\alpha_2 + 1), \tag{58}$$

$$\kappa_3^{(1,B)} \approx \bar{f}f(1-2f)B(1+3\alpha_2+\alpha_3),$$
(59)

$$\kappa_4^{(1,B)} \approx \bar{f} f B[(1+7\alpha_2+6\alpha_3+\alpha_4) - 3\bar{f} f(2+12\alpha_2+8\alpha_3+\alpha_4)].$$
(60)

⁵Here we present results up to $\hat{C}_6^{(1,B)}$ and thus we take $\alpha_k \neq 0$ for $k \leq 7$.

The global factorial cumulants, for both subsystems of Fig. 1 combined, are given by $\hat{C}_n^{(G)} = B\alpha_n$. These factorial cumulants are defined before baryon number conservation is included [compare with Eq. (17)]. Using again the relations between cumulants and factorial cumulants, we obtain

$$\kappa_2^{(1,B)} \approx \bar{f} f \kappa_2^{(G)},\tag{61}$$

$$\kappa_3^{(1,B)} \approx \bar{f}f(1-2f)\kappa_3^{(G)},$$
(62)

$$\kappa_4^{(1,B)} \approx \bar{f}f \Big[\kappa_4^{(G)} - 3\bar{f}f \big(\kappa_4^{(G)} + 2\kappa_3^{(G)} - \kappa_2^{(G)} \big) \Big], \quad (63)$$

where $\kappa_n^{(G)}$ is the *n*th global cumulant in the whole system originating from the short-range correlations but without the conservation of baryon number. $\kappa_n^{(1,B)}$ are the cumulants in one subsystem with all sources of correlations. Equations for $\kappa_2^{(1,B)}$ and $\kappa_3^{(1,B)}$ reproduce the relations

Equations for $\kappa_2^{(1,B)}$ and $\kappa_3^{(1,B)}$ reproduce the relations obtained in Ref. [51]. We note here that in deriving Eqs. (61)– (63) we considered only terms linear in α_k [we started with generating function (45)]. We checked that taking higher V terms in Eq. (43) does not change $\kappa_2^{(1,B)}$ and $\kappa_3^{(1,B)}$, and thus this is the final result. However, the higher order V terms change $\kappa_4^{(1,B)}$, and to reach agreement with Ref. [51] we take

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) \approx \ln \left\{ \frac{A}{B!} \frac{d^B}{dx^B} \left[\exp[(xz-1)f\langle N \rangle + (x-1)\bar{f}\langle N \rangle] \left(\sum_{m=0}^M \frac{V^m}{m!} \right) \right] \right|_{x=0} \right\}$$
(64)

instead of Eq. (45). Next, we calculate $\kappa_4^{(1,B)}\kappa_2^{(1,B)}$ in the large *B* limit taking $M = 1, 2, 3, \ldots$. We observed that for $M \ge 2$ the result is always given by

$$\kappa_4^{(1,B)}\kappa_2^{(1,B)} \approx \bar{f}^2 f^2 \Big[\kappa_4^{(G)}\kappa_2^{(G)} - 3\bar{f}f\big(\big(\kappa_3^{(G)}\big)^2 + \kappa_4^{(G)}\kappa_2^{(G)}\big) \Big],$$
(65)

and thus the formula for the fourth cumulant reads

$$\kappa_4^{(1,B)} \approx \bar{f}f \left[\kappa_4^{(G)} - 3\bar{f}f \left(\kappa_4^{(G)} + \frac{(\kappa_3^{(G)})^2}{\kappa_2^{(G)}} \right) \right],$$
(66)

which is in agreement with Ref. [51].

In a similar way we also calculated the large *B* limit of $\kappa_5^{(1,B)}\kappa_2^{(1,B)}$ and $\kappa_6^{(1,B)}(\kappa_2^{(1,B)})^{3.6}$ We found that $\kappa_5^{(1,B)}\kappa_2^{(1,B)}$ is not changing for $M \ge 2$ and $\kappa_6^{(1,B)}(\kappa_2^{(1,B)})^3$ is not changing for $M \ge 4$. We obtain

$$\kappa_{5}^{(1,B)} \approx \bar{f}f(1-2f) \bigg[(1-2\bar{f}f)\kappa_{5}^{(G)} - 10\bar{f}f\frac{\kappa_{3}^{(G)}\kappa_{4}^{(G)}}{\kappa_{2}^{(G)}} \bigg],$$

$$\kappa_{5}^{(1,B)} \approx \bar{f}f\{1-5\bar{f}f[1-\bar{f}f]\}\kappa_{5}^{(G)}$$
(67)

$$+5f^{2}\bar{f}^{2}\left\{3\bar{f}f\left(\frac{\kappa_{3}^{(G)}}{\kappa_{2}^{(G)}}\right)^{2}\frac{3\kappa_{4}^{(G)}\kappa_{2}^{(G)}-(\kappa_{3}^{(G)})^{2}}{\kappa_{2}^{(G)}}-2(1-2f)^{2}\frac{(\kappa_{4}^{(G)})^{2}}{\kappa_{2}^{(G)}}-3[1-3\bar{f}f]\frac{\kappa_{3}^{(G)}\kappa_{5}^{(G)}}{\kappa_{2}^{(G)}}\right\},$$
(68)

also in agreement with Ref. [51].

VI. COMMENTS AND SUMMARY

In this paper we obtained the factorial cumulant generating function in one of the two subsystems [Eqs. (13) and (14)]

assuming global baryon number conservation and short-range correlations. For simplicity, the case of one species of particles was discussed. Using this function, we calculated the factorial cumulants assuming two-particle short-range correlations [Eqs. (22)–(27) and Eqs. (33)–(38)]. We showed how they depend on the correlation strength and acceptance and compared the approximated formulas with the exact ones (Figs. 2 and 3).

Next, we obtained expressions for the factorial cumulants assuming small multiparticle short-range correlations [Eqs. (48)–(51)], and we studied the limit of large baryon number *B* [Eqs. (52)–(57)]. It turns out that for the *n*th factorial cumulant only short-range correlations of less or equal to *n* particles are significant. Finally, we calculated cumulants and checked that for large *B* they are in agreement with the results presented in Ref. [51].

We emphasize that in our calculation we assumed one species of particles only (baryons) and thus our results might be applicable to low colliding energies, where the production of antibaryons can be neglected. Moreover, all our results are for baryons whereas in practice cumulants are measured for proton (net-proton) number since neutrons are difficult or impossible to measure. Baryon vs proton number is a usual problem when interpreting experimental data, and here certain corrections can be made, as discussed in Refs. [44,52]. Another issue arising when interpreting experimental data is coordinate vs momentum space. Theoretical calculations are usually made in the coordinate space and measurements are made in the momentum space. The presence of the collective flow in heavy-ion collisions can reflect the coordinate space correlations on the momentum space (see, e.g., Ref. [53]), although this is not straightforward, especially at lower energies. In our calculations, we assume short-range correlations between baryons and the division presented in Fig. 1, and all our results could in principle be applied to the momentum space if the correlations are short-range in momentum.

There are many ways to broaden our study. First, it would be interesting to calculate the next correction to the results from Ref. [51]; see, e.g., Eq. (66). These results take the leading term in B, which is justified for large systems,

⁶For the case of $\kappa_6^{(1,B)}(\kappa_2^{(1,B)})^3$ it was necessary to allow for $\alpha_6 \neq 0$.

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APPENDIX A: FAÁ DI BRUNO'S FORMULA AND THE COMPLETE EXPONENTIAL BELL POLYNOMIALS

The Faá di Bruno's formula reads

$$\frac{d^B}{dx^B}f(g(x)) = \sum_{i=1}^B f^{(i)}(g(x)) \operatorname{Bell}_{B,i}(g'(x), g''(x), \dots, g^{(B-i+1)}(x)),$$
(A1)

where $\text{Bell}_{B,i}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{B-i+1})$ are the partial exponential Bell polynomials.

Applying this to Eq. (13) with

$$f(g(x)) = e^{g(x)},\tag{A2}$$

$$g(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(xz-1)^k \hat{C}_k^{(1)} + (x-1)^k \hat{C}_k^{(2)}}{k!}, \quad (A3)$$

we obtain

$$\frac{d^{B}}{dx^{B}} \left[\exp\left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(xz-1)^{k} \hat{C}_{k}^{(1)} + (x-1)^{k} \hat{C}_{k}^{(2)}}{k!}\right) \right] \Big|_{x=0} \\
= \sum_{i=1}^{B} \exp\left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(xz-1)^{k} \hat{C}_{k}^{(1)} + (x-1)^{k} \hat{C}_{k}^{(2)}}{k!}\right) \operatorname{Bell}_{B,i} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{kz(xz-1)^{k-1} \hat{C}_{k}^{(1)} + k(x-1)^{k-1} \hat{C}_{k}^{(2)}}{k!}, \\
\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{k(k-1)z^{2}(xz-1)^{k-2} \hat{C}_{k}^{(1)} + k(k-1)(x-1)^{k-2} \hat{C}_{k}^{(2)}}{k!}, \\
\dots, \\
\sum_{k=B-i+1}^{\infty} \frac{k(k-1)\cdots(k-B+i)[z^{B-i+1}(xz-1)^{k-B+i-1} \hat{C}_{k}^{(1)} + (x-1)^{k-B+i-1} \hat{C}_{k}^{(2)}]}{k!} \right) \Big|_{x=0}.$$
(A4)

After simplifications and evaluation at x = 0 we obtain

$$\frac{d^{B}}{dx^{B}} \left[\exp\left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(xz-1)^{k} \hat{C}_{k}^{(1)} + (x-1)^{k} \hat{C}_{k}^{(2)}}{k!}\right) \right] \Big|_{x=0} \\
= C \sum_{i=1}^{B} \operatorname{Bell}_{B,i} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k}}{k!} [\hat{C}_{k+1}^{(1)}z + \hat{C}_{k+1}^{(2)}], \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k}}{k!} [\hat{C}_{k+2}^{(1)}z^{2} + \hat{C}_{k+2}^{(2)}], \\
\dots, \\
\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k}}{k!} [\hat{C}_{k+B-i+1}^{(1)}z^{B-i+1} + \hat{C}_{k+B-i+1}^{(2)}] \right).$$
(A5)

Here $C = \exp[\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} (\hat{C}_k^{(1)} + \hat{C}_k^{(2)})]$ is a constant with respect to *z*, which is unimportant for calculations of the factorial cumulants. Then by applying the relation between the complete and partial exponential Bell polynomials, see Eq. (15), and denoting A' = AC, we obtain Eq. (14).

APPENDIX B: AN ANALYTIC APPROACH WITH TWO-PARTICLE CORRELATIONS

When substituting Eqs. (17) into Eq. (14) with $\alpha_k = 0$ for $k \ge 3$, we see that only the first two arguments of the *B*th complete exponential Bell polynomial Bell_B are non-zero; that is

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) = \ln\left[\frac{A'}{B!}\text{Bell}_{B}\left(\sum_{k=0}^{1}\frac{(-1)^{k}}{k!}\langle N\rangle\alpha_{k+1}(f\,z+\bar{f}\,),\ \langle N\rangle\alpha_{2}(fz^{2}+\bar{f}\,),\ \underbrace{0,0,\ldots,0}_{(B-2)\,\text{zeros}}\right)\right].$$
(B1)

Using Eq. (15) we can rewrite it as follows:⁷

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) = \ln \left\{ \frac{A'}{B!} \left[\text{Bell}_{B,B} \left[(fz + \bar{f}) \langle N \rangle (1 - \alpha_2) \right] + \sum_{i=1}^{B-1} \text{Bell}_{B,i} \left((fz + \bar{f}) \langle N \rangle (1 - \alpha_2), \ (fz^2 + \bar{f}) \langle N \rangle \alpha_2, \ \underbrace{0, 0, \dots, 0}_{(B-i-1) \text{ zeros}} \right) \right] \right\}.$$
(B2)

By definition, the partial exponential Bell polynomials are given by

$$\operatorname{Bell}_{B,i}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{B-i+1}) = \sum \frac{B!}{j_1! j_2! \cdots j_{B-i+1}!} \left(\frac{x_1}{1!}\right)^{j_1} \left(\frac{x_2}{2!}\right)^{j_2} \cdots \left(\frac{x_{B-i+1}}{(B-i+1)!}\right)^{j_{B-i+1}},\tag{B3}$$

where the sum is over the non-negative integers $j_1, j_2, \ldots, j_{B-i+1}$ such that

$$j_1 + j_2 + \dots + j_{B-i+1} = i,$$

$$j_1 + 2j_2 + 3j_3 + \dots + (B - i + 1)j_{B-i+1} = B.$$
(B4)

However, in our case $x_3 = x_4 = \cdots = x_{B-i+1} = 0$, so we have nonzero terms in Eq. (B3) if and only if $j_3 = j_4 = \cdots = j_{B-i+1} = 0$ (because $0^r \neq 0$ for r = 0 only). In this case, the constraints (B4) lead to $j_1 = 2i - B$, $j_2 = B - i$. Since both j_1 and j_2 have to be greater than or equal to 0, meaning $B/2 \leq i \leq B$, we obtain⁸

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) = \ln\left[\frac{A'}{B!}\sum_{i=B_0}^{B} \frac{B!}{(2i-B)!(B-i)!} \left[(fz+\bar{f})\langle N\rangle(1-\alpha_2)\right]^{2i-B} \left[\frac{1}{2}(fz^2+\bar{f})\langle N\rangle\alpha_2\right]^{B-i}\right],\tag{B5}$$

where B_0 is defined in Eq. (19). Taking $\langle N \rangle = B$, we obtain Eq. (18).

APPENDIX C: AN APPROXIMATE APPROACH WITH TWO-PARTICLE CORRELATIONS

The general Leibnitz formula reads

$$\frac{d^B(u\,v)}{dx^B} = \sum_{k=0}^B {\binom{B}{k}} \frac{d^{B-k}u}{dx^{B-k}} \frac{d^kv}{dx^k}.$$
(C1)

In our case [see Eq. (32)],

$$u(x) = \exp[(xz - 1)f\langle N \rangle + (x - 1)\bar{f}\langle N \rangle], \tag{C2}$$

$$v(x) = \exp\left[\frac{1}{2}(xz-1)^2 f\langle N \rangle \alpha_2 + \frac{1}{2}(x-1)^2 \bar{f} \langle N \rangle \alpha_2\right]$$

$$m_{max} = 1$$

$$\approx \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m!} \left[\frac{1}{2} (xz-1)^2 f \langle N \rangle \alpha_2 + \frac{1}{2} (x-1)^2 \bar{f} \langle N \rangle \alpha_2 \right]^m, \tag{C3}$$

$$\frac{d^{k}u}{dx^{k}} = [\bar{f}\langle N\rangle + f z\langle N\rangle]^{k} \exp[(xz-1)f\langle N\rangle + (x-1)\bar{f}\langle N\rangle],$$
(C4)

$$\frac{d^k v}{dx^k} = 0 \qquad \text{for } k > 2m_{max}.$$
(C5)

Taking $\langle N \rangle = B$, we obtain

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) = \ln(A) - \ln(B!) - B + B \ln(BY_1) + \ln\left[1 + \frac{1}{2}B\left(\frac{B-1}{B}X_2 - 1\right)\alpha_2 + \frac{1}{4!!}B^2\left(\frac{B!}{(B-4)!}\frac{X_2^2}{B^4} - 4\frac{B!}{(B-3)!}\frac{X_2}{B^3} + 2\frac{B!}{(B-2)!}\frac{X_2+2}{B^2} - 3\right)\alpha_2^2 + \frac{1}{6!!}B^3\left(\frac{B!}{(B-6)!}\frac{X_2^3}{B^6} - 6\frac{B!}{(B-5)!}\frac{X_2^2}{B^5} + 3\frac{B!}{(B-4)!}\frac{X_2(X_2+4)}{B^4} - 4\frac{B!}{(B-3)!}\frac{3X_2+2}{B^3} + 3\frac{B!}{(B-2)!}\frac{X_2+4}{B^2} - 5\right)\alpha_2^3$$

⁷Here the last (B - i - 1) arguments of Bell_{*B*,*i*} are zeros since Bell_{*B*,*i*} has (B - i + 1) arguments. In particular, Bell_{*B*,*B*-1} has two arguments and no zeros, Bell_{*B*,*B*-2} has three arguments including one being zero, etc. For clarity we separate Bell_{*B*,*B*} because it has one argument only. ⁸This result naturally includes Bell_{*B*,*B*} $((fz + \bar{f})\langle N \rangle (1 - \alpha_2)) = ((fz + \bar{f})\langle N \rangle (1 - \alpha_2))^B$.}

$$+ \frac{1}{8!!}B^{4} \left(\frac{B!}{(B-8)!} \frac{X_{2}^{4}}{B^{8}} - 8 \frac{B!}{(B-7)!} \frac{X_{2}^{3}}{B^{7}} + 4 \frac{B!}{(B-6)!} \frac{X_{2}^{2}(X_{2}+6)}{B^{6}} - 8 \frac{B!}{(B-5)!} \frac{X_{2}(3X_{2}+4)}{B^{5}} + 2 \frac{B!}{(B-4)!} \frac{3X_{2}(X_{2}+8) + 8}{B^{4}} - 8 \frac{B!}{(B-3)!} \frac{3X_{2}+4}{B^{3}} + 4 \frac{B!}{(B-2)!} \frac{X_{2}+6}{B^{2}} - 7 \right) \alpha_{2}^{4} + \cdots \bigg],$$
(C6)

where $X_k = Y_k/(Y_1)^k$ and $Y_k = fz^k + \overline{f}$ (in this formula only X_2 and Y_1 appear).

Note that for large *B* and very small α_2 we obtain a simple formula:

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) \approx \ln(A) - \ln(B!) - B + B \ln(BY_1) + \frac{1}{2}(X_2 - 1)B \alpha_2.$$
(C7)

APPENDIX D: MULTIPARTICLE FACTORIAL CUMULANTS FROM $(1 + V + \frac{1}{2}V^2)$

Instead of Eq. (45), we use the following factorial cumulant generating function:

$$G_{(1,B)}(z) \approx \ln \left\{ \frac{A}{B!} \frac{d^B}{dx^B} \left[\exp[(xz-1)fB + (x-1)\bar{f}B] \left(1 + V + \frac{1}{2}V^2\right) \right] \Big|_{x=0} \right\},\tag{D1}$$

where $\alpha_k \neq 0$ for $k \leq 7$ and

$$V = \sum_{k=2}^{7} \left(\frac{(xz-1)^k}{k!} f B \alpha_k + \frac{(x-1)^k}{k!} \bar{f} B \alpha_k \right).$$
(D2)

The factorial cumulants in the limit of large B read

$$\hat{C}_1^{(1,B)} = fB,$$
 (D3)

$$\hat{C}_2^{(1,B)} \approx f B[-f + \bar{f} \alpha_2],\tag{D4}$$

$$\hat{C}_{3}^{(1,B)} \approx fB[2f^2 - 6\bar{f}f\alpha_2 + \bar{f}(1 - 2f)\alpha_3],\tag{D5}$$

$$\hat{C}_{4}^{(1,B)} \approx fB[-3!f^3 + 36\bar{f}f^2\alpha_2 - 12\bar{f}f(1-2f)\alpha_3 + \bar{f}(1-3\bar{f}f)\alpha_4 - 12\bar{f}^2f\alpha_2^2 + -3\bar{f}^2f\alpha_3^2 - 12\bar{f}^2f\alpha_2\alpha_3].$$
(D6)

$$\hat{C}_{5}^{(1,B)} \approx fB[4!f^{4} - 240f^{3}\bar{f}\alpha_{2} + 120f^{2}\bar{f}(1 - 2f)\alpha_{3} - 20f\bar{f}(1 - 3f\bar{f})\alpha_{4} + \bar{f}(1 - 2f)(1 - 2f\bar{f})\alpha_{5} + 240f^{2}\bar{f}^{2}\alpha_{2}^{2} - 30f\bar{f}^{2}(1 - 4f)\alpha_{3}^{2} - 60f\bar{f}^{2}(1 - 6f)\alpha_{2}\alpha_{3} - 20f\bar{f}^{2}(1 - 2f)\alpha_{2}\alpha_{4} - 10f\bar{f}^{2}(1 - 2f)\alpha_{3}\alpha_{4}],$$
(D7)

$$\begin{split} \hat{C}_{6}^{(1,B)} \approx & fB[-5!f^{5} + 1800f^{4}\bar{f}\alpha_{2} - 1200f^{3}\bar{f}(1 - 2f)\alpha_{3} + 300f^{2}\bar{f}(1 - 3f\bar{f})\alpha_{4} - 30f\bar{f}(1 - 2f)(1 - 2f\bar{f})\alpha_{5} \\ &+ \bar{f}(1 - 5f\bar{f}(1 - f\bar{f}))\alpha_{6} - 3600f^{3}\bar{f}^{2}\alpha_{2}^{2} - 90f\bar{f}^{2}(1 - 14f + 34f^{2})\alpha_{3}^{2} - 10f\bar{f}^{2}(1 - 2f)^{2}\alpha_{4}^{2} \\ &+ 1800f^{2}\bar{f}^{2}(1 - 4f)\alpha_{2}\alpha_{3} - 120f\bar{f}^{2}(1 - 8f + 13f^{2})\alpha_{2}\alpha_{4} - 60f\bar{f}^{2}(2 - 12f + 17f^{2})\alpha_{3}\alpha_{4} \\ &- 30f\bar{f}^{2}(1 - 3f\bar{f})\alpha_{2}\alpha_{5} - 15f\bar{f}^{2}(1 - 3f\bar{f})\alpha_{3}\alpha_{5}]. \end{split}$$
(D8)

We note that the V^2 term is not affecting $\hat{C}_1^{(1,B)}$, $\hat{C}_2^{(1,B)}$, and $\hat{C}_3^{(1,B)}$ whereas we have higher order terms in $\hat{C}_4^{(1,B)}$, $\hat{C}_5^{(1,B)}$, and $\hat{C}_6^{(1,B)}$. Importantly, the observation that the α_k terms in $\hat{C}_n^{(1,B)}$ are suppressed where k > n is confirmed here. We also checked up to $(1 + V + \frac{1}{2}V^2 + \frac{1}{3!}V^3 + \frac{1}{4!}V^4)$ that this conclusion remains true.

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