



Chiral effective field theory analysis of hadronic parity violation in few-nucleon systems

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Background: Weak interactions between quarks induce a parity-violating (PV) component in the nucleon-nucleon potential, whose effects are currently being studied in a number of experiments involving few-nucleon systems. In the present work, we reconsider the derivation of this PV component within a chiral effective field theory (χ EFT) framework.

Purpose: The objectives of the present work are twofold. The first is to perform a detailed analysis of the PV nucleon-nucleon potential up to next-to-next-to-leading (N²LO) order in the chiral expansion, in particular, by determining the number of independent low-energy constants (LECs) at N²LO. The second objective is to investigate PV effects in a number of few-nucleon observables, including the \bar{p} - p longitudinal asymmetry, the neutron spin rotation in \bar{n} - p and \bar{n} - d scattering, and the longitudinal asymmetry in the ${}^3\text{He}(\bar{n}, p){}^3\text{H}$ charge-exchange reaction.

Methods: The χ EFT PV potential includes one-pion-exchange, two-pion-exchange, and contact terms as well as $1/M$ (M being the nucleon mass) nonstatic corrections. Dimensional regularization is used to renormalize pion loops. The wave functions for the $A = 2$ – 4 nuclei are obtained by using strong two- and three-body potentials also derived, for consistency, from χ EFT. In the case of the $A = 3$ – 4 systems, the wave functions are computed by expanding on a hyperspherical harmonics functions basis.

Results: We find that the PV potential at N²LO depends on six LECs: the pion-nucleon PV coupling constant h_π^1 and five parameters multiplying contact interactions. An estimate for the range of values of the various LECs is provided by using available experimental data, and these values are used to obtain predictions for the other PV observables.

Conclusions: The χ EFT approach provides a very satisfactory framework to analyze PV effects in few-nucleon systems.

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I. INTRODUCTION

A number of experiments aimed at studying hadronic parity violation in low-energy processes involving few-nucleon systems are being completed, or are in an advanced stage of planning, at cold neutron facilities, such as the Los Alamos Neutron Science Center, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Center for Neutron Research, and the Spallation Neutron Source (SNS) at Oak Ridge National Laboratory. The primary objective of this program is to determine the fundamental parameters of the parity-violating (PV) nucleon-nucleon (NN) potential (for a review of the current status of experiment and theory, see, for example, Refs. [1–3]).

Until a few years ago, the standard framework by which nuclear PV processes were analyzed theoretically was based on meson-exchange potentials, in particular the model proposed by Desplanques, Donoghue, and Holstein (DDH) [4], which included pion and vector-meson exchanges with seven unknown meson-nucleon PV coupling constants.

More recently, however, the emergence of chiral effective field theory (χ EFT) [5] has provided renewed impetus to the development of nuclear forces in a field-theoretic framework [6–8]. The χ EFT approach is based on the observation that the chiral symmetry exhibited by quantum chromodynamics

(QCD) severely restricts the form of the interactions of pions among themselves and with other particles [9,10]. In particular, the pion couples to the nucleon by powers of its momentum Q , and the Lagrangian describing these interactions can be expanded in powers of Q/Λ_χ , where $\Lambda_\chi \simeq 1$ GeV specifies the chiral symmetry-breaking scale. As a consequence, classes of Lagrangians emerge, each characterized by a given power of Q/Λ_χ and each involving a certain number of unknown coefficients, so-called low-energy constants (LECs), which are then determined by fits to experimental data (see, for example, the review papers [7,11] and references therein).

Chiral effective field theory has been used to study two- and many-nucleon interactions [7,8] and the interaction of electroweak probes with nuclei [12–18]. Its validity is restricted to processes occurring at low energies. In this sense, it has a more limited range of applicability than meson-exchange or more phenomenological models of these interactions, which, in fact, quantitatively and successfully account for a wide variety of nuclear properties and reactions up to energies, in some cases, well beyond the pion production threshold (for a review, see Ref. [19]). However, it is undeniable that χ EFT has put nuclear physics on a more fundamental basis by providing, on the one hand, a direct connection between the QCD symmetries—in

particular, chiral symmetry—and the strong and electroweak interactions in nuclei and, on the other hand, a practical calculational scheme, which can, at least in principle, be improved systematically.

The χ EFT approach has also been used to study PV NN potentials, which are induced by hadronic weak interactions—these follow from weak interactions between quarks inside hadrons [20]. It is well known that the weak interaction in the standard model contains both parity-conserving (PC) and PV components. The part of the weak interactions contributing to the PC NN potential is obviously totally “hidden” by the strong and electromagnetic interactions and is therefore not accessible experimentally. However, their PV part can be revealed in dedicated experiments. Because the fundamental weak Lagrangian of quarks is not invariant under chiral symmetry, one constructs the most general PV Lagrangian of nucleons and pions by requiring that the pattern of chiral symmetry breaking at the hadronic level be the same as at the quark level. Moreover, because the combination of charge conjugation (C) and parity (P) is known to be violated to a much lesser extent, it is customary to consider only P -violating but CP -conserving terms [20].

Following this scheme, Kaplan and Savage [20] constructed an effective Lagrangian describing the interactions of pions and nucleons up to one derivative (i.e., at order Q). This Lagrangian includes at leading order (LO), or Q^0 , a Yukawa-type pion-nucleon interaction with no derivatives. The coupling constant multiplying this term is denoted as h_π^1 , the pion-nucleon weak coupling constant. It gives rise to a long-range, one-pion-exchange (OPE) contribution to the PV NN potential. Many experiments have attempted to determine this long-range component and to obtain a determination of h_π^1 , a task which has proven so far to be elusive (for a review, see Ref. [2]). Very recently, an attempt has also been made to estimate the value of h_π^1 in a lattice QCD calculation [21].

The Kaplan-Savage Lagrangian also includes five next-to-leading order (NLO) pion-nucleon interaction, or Q^1 , terms with one derivative (and accompanying LECs), which, however, do not enter the PV NN potential when considering processes at either tree level or one loop [20,22].

Since the pioneering study of Ref. [20], there have been several studies of the PV NN potential in χ EFT [23,24]. The first derivation up to next-to-next-to-leading order (N2LO) was carried out by Zhu *et al.* [22]. This potential includes the long-range OPE component, medium-range components originating from two-pion-exchange (TPE) processes, and short-range components deriving from ten four-nucleon contact terms involving one derivative of the nucleon field. In a subsequent analysis [25], it was shown that there exist only five independent contact terms entering the potential at N2LO, corresponding to the five PV S-P transition amplitudes at low energies [26]. Zhu *et al.* [22] also included three pion-nucleon PV interaction terms of order Q^2 . This potential was recently used in a calculation of the longitudinal analyzing power in \bar{p} - p scattering [27].

In subsequent years, the N2LO contributions owing to TPE and contact terms were independently studied in a series of papers [28–31] by a different collaboration. In particular,

this collaboration carried out a calculation of the photon asymmetry in the radiative capture $^1\text{H}(\bar{n}, \gamma)^2\text{H}$.

The objectives of the present work are twofold. The first is to reconsider the problem of how many independent PV Lagrangian terms are allowed at order Q^2 and to construct the complete PV NN potential at N2LO. A similar analysis for the parity- and time-reversal violating Lagrangian terms (with the aim to study the electric dipole moment of nucleons and light nuclei) has been recently reported in Ref. [32]. The second objective is to use this potential to investigate PV effects in several processes involving few-nucleon systems, including the \bar{p} - p longitudinal asymmetry, the neutron spin rotation in \bar{n} - p and \bar{n} - d scattering, and the longitudinal asymmetry in the $^3\text{He}(\bar{n}, p)^3\text{H}$ reaction and to provide estimates for the values of the various LECs by fitting available experimental data.

To date, measurements are available for the following PV observables: the longitudinal analyzing power in \bar{p} - p [33–37] and \bar{p} - α [38] scattering, the photon asymmetry and photon circular polarization in, respectively, the $^1\text{H}(\bar{n}, \gamma)^2\text{H}$ [39,40] and $^1\text{H}(n, \bar{\gamma})^2\text{H}$ [41] radiative captures, and the neutron spin rotation in \bar{n} - α scattering [42,43]. The planned experiments include measurements of the neutron spin rotation in \bar{n} - p [42] and \bar{n} - d [44] scattering and of the longitudinal asymmetry in the charge-exchange reaction $^3\text{He}(\bar{n}, p)^3\text{H}$ at cold neutron energies [45]. Recent studies of these observables in the framework of the DDH potential can be found in Refs. [46–51].

We conclude this overview by noting that there exists a different approach to the derivation of PV (and PC) nuclear forces, based on an effective field theory in which pion degrees of freedom are integrated out (so-called pionless EFT) and only contact interaction terms are considered. Such a theory, which is only valid at energies much less than the pion mass [3], has been used to study PV effects in NN scattering [52], PV asymmetries in the $^1\text{H}(\bar{n}, \gamma)^2\text{H}$ capture [53], spin rotations in \bar{n} - p and \bar{n} - d scattering [54,55], as well as other observables [3].

The present paper is organized as follows. In Sec. II we study the PV chiral Lagrangian up to order Q^2 , while in Sec. III we derive the PV NN potential at N2LO. In Sec. IV, we report results obtained for the \bar{p} - p longitudinal asymmetry, the neutron spin rotation in \bar{n} - p and \bar{n} - d scattering, and the longitudinal asymmetry in the $^3\text{He}(\bar{n}, p)^3\text{H}$ reaction and provide estimates for the values of the various LECs. Finally, in Sec. V we present our conclusions and perspectives. A number of technical details are relegated to Appendixes A–H.

II. THE PV LAGRANGIAN

Weak interactions between quarks induce a PV NN potential. This potential can be constructed starting from a pion-nucleon effective Lagrangian including all terms for which the pattern of chiral symmetry violation is the same as in the fundamental (quark-level) Lagrangian.

We begin with a brief summary of the building blocks used to construct the chiral Lagrangian (for reviews, see Refs. [3,7,11]). The pion field $\vec{\pi}$ enters the chiral Lagrangian

via the unitary SU(2) matrix,

$$U = 1 + \frac{i}{f_\pi} \vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{\pi} - \frac{1}{2f_\pi^2} \vec{\pi}^2 - \frac{i\alpha}{f_\pi^3} \vec{\pi}^2 \vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{\pi} + \frac{8\alpha - 1}{8f_\pi^4} \vec{\pi}^4 + \dots, \quad (2.1)$$

where $f_\pi \simeq 92$ MeV is the bare pion decay constant and α is an arbitrary coefficient reflecting our freedom in the choice of the pion field. Observables must be independent of α . Standard choices are $\alpha = 0$ (nonlinear σ model) or $\alpha = 1/6$, corresponding to the exponential parametrization $U = \exp(i \vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{\pi}/f_\pi)$. In this and in the next section, as well as in the appendixes, except for Appendix H, all the LECs entering the Lagrangian are to be considered as bare parameters. Renormalized LECs will be denoted by an overline above each symbol.

The other building blocks are $u = \sqrt{U}$ and

$$\nabla_\mu U = \partial_\mu U - i r_\mu U + i U \ell_\mu, \quad (2.2)$$

$$u_\mu = i(u^\dagger \partial_\mu u - u \partial_\mu u^\dagger) + u^\dagger r_\mu u - u \ell_\mu u^\dagger, \quad (2.3)$$

$$\Gamma_\mu = \frac{1}{2}(u^\dagger \partial_\mu u + u \partial_\mu u^\dagger) - \frac{i}{2}(u^\dagger r_\mu u + u \ell_\mu u^\dagger), \quad (2.4)$$

$$\chi_\pm = u^\dagger \chi u^\dagger \pm u \chi^\dagger u, \quad (2.5)$$

$$F_{\mu\nu}^\pm = u^\dagger F_{\mu\nu}^R u \pm u F_{\mu\nu}^L u^\dagger, \quad (2.6)$$

$$X_L^a = u \tau_a u^\dagger, \quad X_R^a = u^\dagger \tau_a u, \quad (2.7)$$

with

$$r_\mu = v_\mu + a_\mu, \quad \ell_\mu = v_\mu - a_\mu, \quad \chi = s + ip, \quad (2.8)$$

$$F_{\mu\nu}^R = \partial_\mu r_\nu - \partial_\nu r_\mu - i[r_\mu, r_\nu], \quad (2.9)$$

$$F_{\mu\nu}^L = \partial_\mu \ell_\nu - \partial_\nu \ell_\mu - i[\ell_\mu, \ell_\nu]. \quad (2.10)$$

Here v_μ , a_μ , p , and s are, respectively, SU(2) matrices of vector, axial-vector, pseudoscalar, and scalar ‘‘external’’ fields, which are assumed to transform as

$$r_\mu \rightarrow R r_\mu R^\dagger + i R \partial_\mu R^\dagger, \quad (2.11)$$

$$l_\mu \rightarrow L l_\mu L^\dagger + i L \partial_\mu L^\dagger, \quad (2.12)$$

$$\chi \rightarrow R \chi L^\dagger, \quad (2.13)$$

where L (R) represents a local rotation in the isospin space of the left (right) components. The Lagrangian constructed in terms of these fields is invariant under local SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R chiral transformations.

In this paper we are interested in the NN potential, and so ultimately we set $v_\mu = a_\mu = p = 0$ and

$$s \rightarrow 2BM_q, \quad M_q = \begin{pmatrix} m_u & 0 \\ 0 & m_d \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.14)$$

m_u , m_d being the masses of ‘‘current’’ up and down quarks, respectively, and B is a parameter related to the $\bar{q}q$ quark condensate, $B(m_u + m_d) \sim m_\pi^2$, m_π being the pion mass. Then, χ takes into account the explicit chiral symmetry breaking owing to the nonvanishing current-quark masses. In the following, however, we construct all possible Lagrangian terms in the presence of external fields, because this will

be useful when considering the coupling of nucleons and pions to electromagnetic and/or weak probes. In studying PV Lagrangian terms, it is customary to disregard isospin violation owing to the u - d quark mass difference, so we assume $m_u = m_d$.

The transformation properties under the (nonlinear) chiral symmetry SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R of the nucleon field ψ and of the quantities defined in Eqs. (2.1)–(2.7) are (see, for example, Ref. [11])

$$\begin{aligned} U &\rightarrow R U L^\dagger, & \nabla_\mu U &\rightarrow R (\nabla_\mu U) L^\dagger, \\ \psi &\rightarrow h \psi, & u &\rightarrow R u h^\dagger = h u L^\dagger, \\ u_\mu &\rightarrow h u_\mu h^\dagger, & \Gamma_\mu &\rightarrow h \Gamma_\mu h^\dagger + h \partial_\mu h^\dagger, \\ \chi_\pm &\rightarrow h \chi_\pm h^\dagger, & F_{\mu\nu}^\pm &\rightarrow h F_{\mu\nu}^\pm h^\dagger, \\ X_L^a &\rightarrow h u L^\dagger \tau_a L u^\dagger h^\dagger, & X_R^a &\rightarrow h u^\dagger R^\dagger \tau_a R u h^\dagger, \end{aligned} \quad (2.15)$$

where h is a SU(2) matrix depending in a complicated way on L , R , and $\vec{\pi}(x)$ and expressing the nonlinearity of the transformation. Note that the operator

$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu + \Gamma_\mu, \quad (2.16)$$

when acting on the field ψ , transforms covariantly, namely,

$$D_\mu \psi \rightarrow h D_\mu \psi. \quad (2.17)$$

The terms $\bar{\psi} X_L^a \psi$ and $\bar{\psi} X_R^a \psi$ transform like the operators $\bar{q}_L \tau_a q_L$ and $\bar{q}_R \tau_a q_R$, respectively, where q represents the doublet of u and d quark fields and q_L and q_R are the left and right components, respectively. Under SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R q_L and q_R transform as $q_L \rightarrow L q_L$ and $q_R \rightarrow R q_R$, and, therefore,

$$\bar{q}_L \tau_a q_L \rightarrow \bar{q}_L L^\dagger \tau_a L q_L, \quad \bar{q}_R \tau_a q_R \rightarrow \bar{q}_R R^\dagger \tau_a R q_R. \quad (2.18)$$

Such terms enter the weak interaction Lagrangian at the quark level. Therefore, quantities like $\bar{\psi} X_L^a \psi$ and $\bar{\psi} X_R^a \psi$ can be used to construct PV Lagrangian terms at the hadronic level, which mimic the corresponding terms entering the weak interaction at the quark level [20]. For reasons mentioned earlier, the part of weak interaction contributing to the PC NN potential is of no interest, and only P -violating but CP -conserving terms are considered below.

More precisely, at the quark level the weak interaction includes terms which under chiral symmetry transform as isoscalar, isovector, and isotensor operators [20]. At the hadronic level, isoscalar terms can be constructed without involving the $X_{L,R}$ matrices, isovector terms are linear in X_L or X_R , and isotensor terms involve combinations like $\mathcal{I}_{ab}(X_L^a X_L^b \pm X_R^a X_R^b)$, where

$$\mathcal{I}_{ab} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & +2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2.19)$$

Note that our definition of \mathcal{I}_{ab} above is different from that commonly adopted in the literature. In the following, we also consider the quantities

$$X_\pm^a = X_L^a \pm X_R^a, \quad (2.20)$$

which transform simply under P and C , use the notation $\langle \dots \rangle$ to denote the trace in flavor space, and define

$$\hat{A} = A - \frac{1}{2}\langle A \rangle.$$

The Lagrangian is ordered in classes of operators with increasing chiral dimension, according to the number of derivatives and/or quark mass insertions, e.g.,

$$u_\mu \sim Q, \quad F_{\mu\nu}^\pm \sim Q^2, \quad \chi_\pm \sim Q^2.$$

As per the covariant derivative D_μ , it counts as Q , except when it acts on the nucleon field, in which case it is Q^0 owing to the presence of the nucleon mass scale. The γ^5 matrix mixes the small and large components of the Dirac spinors, so that it should also be counted as Q . By considering all possible P -odd but CP -even interaction terms, one can construct the most general Lagrangian. In doing so, use can be made of the equations of motion (EOMs) for the nucleon and pion fields at lowest order, namely,

$$iD_\mu \gamma^\mu \psi = \left(M + \frac{g_A}{2} \gamma_5 \gamma^\mu u_\mu \right) \psi + \mathcal{O}(Q^2), \quad (2.21)$$

$$[D_\mu, u^\mu] = \frac{i}{2} \hat{\chi}_- + \mathcal{O}(Q^4), \quad (2.22)$$

M being the nucleon mass, and of a number of other identities,

$$[D_\mu, D_\nu] = \frac{1}{4} [u_\mu, u_\nu] - \frac{i}{2} F_{\mu\nu}^+, \quad (2.23)$$

$$[D_\mu, u_\nu] - [D_\nu, u_\mu] = F_{\mu\nu}^-. \quad (2.24)$$

Note that covariant derivatives of u_μ only appear in the symmetrized form,

$$h_{\mu\nu} = [D_\mu, u_\nu] + [D_\nu, u_\mu], \quad (2.25)$$

and that further simplifications follow from the Cayley-Hamilton relations, valid for any 2×2 matrices A and B ,

$$AB + BA = A\langle B \rangle + B\langle A \rangle + \langle AB \rangle - \langle A \rangle \langle B \rangle, \quad (2.26)$$

and from the traceless property of u_μ and $X_{L/R}^a$. As discussed before, we disregard isospin violation owing to the u - d quark mass difference; therefore, we assume $\chi = m_\pi^2 I$ and set $\langle \chi_- \rangle = \langle F^{\mu\nu} \rangle = 0$.

Care must be taken when constructing combinations of terms like $D_\mu X_{L/R}^a$, because they do not transform as given in Eq. (2.18); see discussion in Appendix A. There it is also shown that it is convenient to work instead with the following quantities:

$$(X_R^a)_\mu = [D_\mu + iu^\dagger r_\mu u, X_R^a], \quad (2.27)$$

$$(X_L^a)_\mu = [D_\mu + iu \ell_\mu u^\dagger, X_L^a]. \quad (2.28)$$

These, in turn, reduce to

$$(X_R^a)_\mu = \frac{i}{2} [u_\mu, X_R^a], \quad (X_L^a)_\mu = -\frac{i}{2} [u_\mu, X_L^a]. \quad (2.29)$$

These identities are used in Appendix C to reduce the number of terms entering the PV Lagrangian.

We now first list the possible π - N independent Lagrangian terms up to order Q^2 . First, we need to recall the transformation properties of various quantities under Hermitian conjugation, parity (P), and charge conjugation (C), which is done in Appendix B. The detailed discussion of the possible independent Lagrangian terms at order Q^2 is provided in Appendix C. We include in the definition of the interaction terms one power

of the inverse nucleon mass for each covariant derivative D_μ acting on a nucleon field. All Q^2 terms have dimension $(\text{MeV})^5$.

A. The $\Delta I = 0$ sector

In the $\Delta I = 0$ sector, the Lagrangian starts at order Q with one operator [20],

$$O_{0V}^{(0)} = \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu u^\mu \psi. \quad (2.30)$$

At order Q^2 , as shown in Appendix C 1, we find the following two operators

$$O_1^{(0)} = \frac{1}{M} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 D^\nu \psi \langle u_\mu u_\nu \rangle + \text{H.c.}, \quad (2.31)$$

$$O_2^{(0)} = \bar{\psi} F_{\mu\nu}^- \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi, \quad (2.32)$$

where H.c. stands for the Hermitian conjugate.

B. The $\Delta I = 1$ sector

In the $\Delta I = 1$ sector the Lagrangian, linear in the $X_{R/L}^a$ operators, starts at order Q^0 with

$$O_\pi^{(1)} = \bar{\psi} X_-^3 \psi. \quad (2.33)$$

At order Q there are two additional operators [20],

$$O_{1V}^{(1)} = \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi \langle u_\mu X_+^3 \rangle, \quad (2.34)$$

$$O_{1A}^{(1)} = \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \psi \langle u_\mu X_-^3 \rangle. \quad (2.35)$$

At order Q^2 , there are many possibilities; however, as discussed in Appendix C 2, we consider the following combinations:

$$O_1^{(1)} = \bar{\psi} \psi \langle \hat{\chi}_+ X_-^3 \rangle, \quad (2.36)$$

$$O_2^{(1)} = \bar{\psi} X_-^3 \psi \langle \chi_+ \rangle, \quad (2.37)$$

$$O_3^{(1)} = \bar{\psi} [\hat{\chi}_-, X_+^3] \psi, \quad (2.38)$$

$$O_4^{(1)} = \bar{\psi} [X_+^3, [u_\mu, u_\nu]] \sigma_{\alpha\beta} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \psi, \quad (2.39)$$

$$O_5^{(1)} = \bar{\psi} X_-^3 \psi \langle u_\mu u^\mu \rangle, \quad (2.40)$$

$$O_6^{(1)} = \bar{\psi} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi \langle X_-^3 i [u_\mu, u_\nu] \rangle, \quad (2.41)$$

$$O_7^{(1)} = \bar{\psi} u_\mu X_-^3 u^\mu \psi, \quad (2.42)$$

$$O_8^{(1)} = \frac{1}{M} \bar{\psi} X_+^3 \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 D^\nu \psi \langle u_\mu u_\nu \rangle + \text{H.c.}, \quad (2.43)$$

$$O_9^{(1)} = \frac{1}{M} \bar{\psi} (u_\mu X_+^3 u_\nu + u_\nu X_+^3 u_\mu) \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 D^\nu \psi + \text{H.c.} \quad (2.44)$$

$$O_{10}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{M} \bar{\psi} X_-^3 \gamma^\mu D^\nu \psi \langle u_\mu u_\nu \rangle + \text{H.c.}, \quad (2.45)$$

$$O_{11}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{M} \bar{\psi} (u_\mu X_-^3 u_\nu + u_\nu X_-^3 u_\mu) \gamma^\mu D^\nu \psi + \text{H.c.}, \quad (2.46)$$

$$O_{12}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{M} \bar{\psi} [h_{\mu\nu}, X_+^3] \gamma^\mu D^\nu \psi + \text{H.c.}, \quad (2.47)$$

$$O_{13}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{M} \bar{\psi} [h_{\mu\nu}, X_-^3] \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 D^\nu \psi + \text{H.c.}, \quad (2.48)$$

$$O_{14}^{(1)} = \bar{\psi} i [\hat{F}_+^{\mu\nu}, X_+^3] \sigma^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \psi, \quad (2.49)$$

$$O_{15}^{(1)} = \bar{\psi} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \psi \langle \hat{F}_+^{\mu\nu} X_-^3 \rangle, \quad (2.50)$$

$$O_{16}^{(1)} = \bar{\psi} X_-^3 \sigma_{\mu\nu} \psi \langle F_+^{\mu\nu} \rangle, \quad (2.51)$$

$$O_{17}^{(1)} = \bar{\psi} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \psi \langle F_-^{\mu\nu} X_+^3 \rangle, \quad (2.52)$$

$$O_{18}^{(1)} = \bar{\psi} i [F_-^{\mu\nu}, X_-^3] \sigma^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \psi. \quad (2.53)$$

For operators $O_9^{(1)}$, $O_{11}^{(1)}$, and $O_{12}^{(1)}$, we have not explicitly written all possible isospin combinations, but have reported only the simplest ones. When using these operators to construct interaction vertices by expanding in powers of the pion field, all allowed possibilities should be considered (see Appendix C 2).

C. The $\Delta I = 2$ sector

The $\Delta I = 2$ operators have to be constructed as combinations of $\mathcal{I}^{ab}(X_R^a O X_R^b \pm X_L^a O X_L^b)$, with O an operator transforming as $O \rightarrow h O h^\dagger$. Because \mathcal{I}^{ab} is diagonal and traceless, we have $\mathcal{I}^{ab} X_R^a X_R^b = \mathcal{I}^{ab} X_L^a X_L^b = 0$; therefore, O cannot be the identity. Moreover, combinations like $\mathcal{I}^{ab}(X_R^a O X_L^b \pm X_R^a O X_L^b)$ are excluded because they do not appear in the standard model weak Lagrangian [20]. At order Q there are two possible operators [20],

$$O_{2V}^{(2)} = \mathcal{I}^{ab} \bar{\psi} (X_R^a u_\mu X_R^b + X_L^a u_\mu X_L^b) \gamma^\mu \psi, \quad (2.54)$$

$$O_{2A}^{(2)} = \mathcal{I}^{ab} \bar{\psi} (X_R^a u_\mu X_R^b - X_L^a u_\mu X_L^b) \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \psi. \quad (2.55)$$

At order Q^2 , as discussed in Appendix C3, we find the following eight possible operators:

$$O_1^{(2)} = \mathcal{I}^{ab} \bar{\psi} X_R^a \hat{\chi}_+ X_R^b \psi - (R \leftrightarrow L), \quad (2.56)$$

$$O_2^{(2)} = \mathcal{I}^{ab} \bar{\psi} [u_\mu X_R^a u_\nu X_R^b + X_R^a u_\nu X_R^b u_\mu + u_\nu X_R^a u_\mu X_R^b + X_R^a u_\mu X_R^b u_\nu - (R \leftrightarrow L)] g^{\mu\nu} \psi, \quad (2.57)$$

$$O_3^{(2)} = i \mathcal{I}^{ab} \bar{\psi} [u_\mu X_R^a u_\nu X_R^b - X_R^a u_\nu X_R^b u_\mu - u_\nu X_R^a u_\mu X_R^b + X_R^a u_\mu X_R^b u_\nu - (R \leftrightarrow L)] \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi, \quad (2.58)$$

$$O_4^{(2)} = i \mathcal{I}^{ab} \bar{\psi} \{ X_R^a [u_\mu, u_\nu] X_R^b - (R \leftrightarrow L) \} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi, \quad (2.59)$$

$$O_5^{(2)} = \bar{\psi} \{ D_\alpha, \bar{Y}_{+, \mu\nu}^{(1)} \} g^{\alpha\mu} \gamma^\nu \gamma^5 \psi, \quad (2.60)$$

$$O_6^{(2)} = \bar{\psi} \{ D_\alpha, \bar{Y}_{-, \mu\nu}^{(1)} \} g^{\alpha\mu} \gamma^\nu \psi, \quad (2.61)$$

$$O_7^{(2)} = \mathcal{I}^{ab} \bar{\psi} [X_R^a F_{\mu\nu}^+ X_R^b - (R \leftrightarrow L)] \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi, \quad (2.62)$$

$$O_8^{(2)} = \mathcal{I}^{ab} \bar{\psi} [X_R^a F_{\mu\nu}^- X_R^b + (R \leftrightarrow L)] \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi, \quad (2.63)$$

where the quantities $\bar{Y}_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(1)}$ are defined in Eq. (C18). In this case too for some of the operators we have not explicitly written down all possible isospin combinations, but reported only the simplest ones (see Appendix C 3).

D. Terms with only pionic degrees of freedom

Possible $\Delta I = 0$ PV terms constructed with only pionic degrees of freedom, namely, terms involving $\nabla_\mu U$ together with $\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}$ factors, turn out to vanish. Considering also terms involving the quantities $F_{\mu\nu}^\pm$, we find at order Q^4 the following

P - and C -odd terms:

$$\langle \nabla^\mu U^\dagger \nabla^\nu U F_{\mu\nu}^R - \nabla^\mu U \nabla^\nu U^\dagger F_{\mu\nu}^L \rangle, \quad (2.64)$$

$$\langle U F_{\mu\nu}^R U^\dagger F^{R\mu\nu} - U F_{\mu\nu}^L U^\dagger F^{L\mu\nu} \rangle. \quad (2.65)$$

Possible PV terms involving χ , such as $\langle U \chi^\dagger - \chi U^\dagger \rangle$, are even under C .

Terms with $\Delta I = 1$ and $\Delta I = 2$ can be constructed using the quantities $X_{L,R}^a$. We find at order Q^2 the following two P - and C -odd operators:

$$O_{\pi\pi\pi}^{(1)} = \langle u_\mu X^3 u^\mu \rangle, \quad (2.66)$$

$$O_{\pi\pi\pi}^{(2)} = \mathcal{I}^{ab} \langle X_R^a u_\mu X_R^b u^\mu - (R \rightarrow L) \rangle.$$

At lowest order, these terms give two three-pion vertices. However, their contribution to the PV potential is at least of order Q^2 . Therefore, in the rest of the present work, we disregard the contributions of these PV terms.

E. Summary

The χ EFT PV Lagrangian up to order Q^2 includes all terms determined above, each multiplied by a different LEC, that is,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{\text{PV}} = & \frac{h_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}} f_\pi \bar{\psi} X_-^3 \psi + \frac{h_V^0}{2} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu u_\mu \psi \\ & + \frac{h_V^1}{4} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi \langle u_\mu X_+^3 \rangle + \frac{h_A^1}{4} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \psi \langle u_\mu X_-^3 \rangle \\ & - \frac{1}{3} \mathcal{I}_{ab} \left[\frac{h_V^2}{2} \bar{\psi} (X_R^a u_\mu X_R^b + X_L^a u_\mu X_L^b) \gamma^\mu \psi \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{h_A^2}{4} \bar{\psi} (X_R^a u_\mu X_R^b - X_L^a u_\mu X_L^b) \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \psi \right] \\ & - \sum_{p=1,2} \frac{h_p^0}{f_\pi} O_p^{(0)} - \sum_{p=1,18} \frac{h_p^1}{f_\pi} O_p^{(1)} \\ & - \sum_{p=1,8} \frac{h_p^2}{f_\pi} O_p^{(2)} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{CT}}^{\text{PV}}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.67)$$

where for the LECs multiplying the terms up to order Q we have adopted the notation of Ref. [23] (the different signs and numerical factors account for our different definition of u_μ , X_-^3 and \mathcal{I}_{ab}). We have included in the last two lines the 28 terms of order Q^2 discussed in Secs. II A–II C. The Lagrangian contains also four-nucleon contact terms (included in $\mathcal{L}_{\text{CT}}^{\text{PV}}$), representing interactions originating from excitation of Δ resonances and exchange of heavy mesons. At lowest order, $\mathcal{L}_{\text{CT}}^{\text{PV}}$ contains five independent four-nucleon contact terms with a single gradient, as discussed in Ref. [25].

The Lagrangian describing pion-nucleon interactions up to one derivative was already given by Kaplan and Savage [20]. The LEC h_π^1 is the long-sought pion-nucleon PV coupling constant. By construction, it and all other LECs are adimensional (the factor $1/f_\pi$ has been introduced for convenience). In principle, the LECs can be determined by fitting experimental data or from lattice calculations (or from a combination of both methods). The order of magnitude of

the various constants is

$$h \sim G_F f_\pi^2 \approx 10^{-7}, \quad (2.68)$$

which is also the order of magnitude of PV effects in few-nucleon systems.

In the following, we also need the PC Lagrangian up to N2LO:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{\text{PC}} &= \mathcal{L}_{\pi\pi}^{(2)} + \mathcal{L}_{\pi\pi}^{(4)} + \dots \\ &+ \mathcal{L}_{N\pi}^{(1)} + \mathcal{L}_{N\pi}^{(2)} + \mathcal{L}_{N\pi}^{(3)} + \dots + \mathcal{L}_{\text{CT}}^{\text{PC}}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.69)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\pi\pi}^{(2)} = \frac{f_\pi^2}{4} \langle \nabla_\mu U^\dagger \nabla^\mu U + \chi^\dagger U + \chi U^\dagger \rangle, \quad (2.70)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\pi\pi}^{(4)} &= \frac{1}{16} \ell_3 [(\chi^\dagger U + \chi U^\dagger)]^2 \\ &+ \frac{1}{8} \ell_4 \left[\langle \nabla_\mu U^\dagger \nabla^\mu U \rangle (\chi^\dagger U + \chi U^\dagger) \right. \\ &\left. - \frac{1}{2} (\langle \chi^\dagger U + \chi U^\dagger \rangle)^2 \right] + \dots, \end{aligned} \quad (2.71)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{N\pi}^{(1)} = \bar{\psi} \left(i \gamma^\mu D_\mu - M + \frac{g_A}{2} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 u_\mu \right) \psi, \quad (2.72)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{N\pi}^{(2)} = c_1 \bar{\psi} \langle \chi_+ \rangle \psi + \dots, \quad (2.73)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{N\pi}^{(3)} &= d_{16} \bar{\psi} \frac{1}{2} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 u_\mu \langle \chi_+ \rangle \psi \\ &+ d_{18} \bar{\psi} \frac{i}{2} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 [D_\mu, \chi_-] \psi + \dots, \end{aligned} \quad (2.74)$$

where we have omitted terms not relevant in the present work (the complete $\mathcal{L}_{\pi\pi}^{(4)}$ can be found in Ref. [56] and the complete $\mathcal{L}_{N\pi}^{(2)}$ and $\mathcal{L}_{N\pi}^{(3)}$ in Ref. [57]). Four-nucleon contact terms (see, for example, Refs. [7,8]) are lumped into $\mathcal{L}_{\text{CT}}^{\text{PC}}$. The parameters ℓ_3 , ℓ_4 , c_1 , d_{16} , and d_{18} are LECs entering the PC Lagrangian. To this Lagrangian, we add two mass counterterms

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{MCT}} = -\frac{1}{2} \delta m_\pi^2 \bar{\pi}^2 - \delta M \bar{\psi} \psi, \quad (2.75)$$

which renormalize the pion (m_π) and nucleon (M) masses in \mathcal{L}^{PC} . The determination of δM and δm^2 is discussed in Appendix G.

III. THE PV POTENTIAL UP TO ORDER Q

In this section, we discuss the derivation of the PV NN potential at N2LO. First, we provide, order by order in the power counting, formal expressions for it in terms of time-ordered perturbation theory (TOPT) amplitudes, and next discuss the various diagrams associated with these amplitudes (additional details are given in Appendix G).

A. From amplitudes to potentials

We begin by considering the conventional perturbative expansion for the NN scattering amplitude,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle N'N' | T | NN \rangle \\ = \langle N'N' | H_I \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{E_i - H_0 + i\eta} H_I \right)^{n-1} | NN \rangle, \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

where $|NN\rangle$ and $|N'N'\rangle$ represent the initial and final two-nucleon states of energy E_i , H_0 is the Hamiltonian describing free pions and nucleons, and H_I is the Hamiltonian describing interactions among these particles. The evaluation of this amplitude is carried out in practice by inserting complete sets of H_0 eigenstates between successive H_I terms. Power counting is then used to organize the expansion in powers of $Q/\Lambda_\chi \ll 1$, where $\Lambda_\chi \simeq 1$ GeV is the typical hadronic mass scale,

$$\langle N'N' | T | NN \rangle = \sum_n T^{(n)}, \quad (3.2)$$

where $T^{(n)} \sim Q^n$. We note that in Eq. (3.1) the interaction Hamiltonian H_I is in the Schrödinger picture and that, at the order of interest here, it follows simply from $H_I = -\int d\mathbf{x} \mathcal{L}_I(t=0, \mathbf{x})$. Vertices from H_I are listed in Appendix F.

We obtain the NN potential V by requiring that iterations of it in the Lippmann-Schwinger (LS) equation,

$$V + V G_0 V + V G_0 V G_0 V + \dots, \quad (3.3)$$

lead to the T matrix in Eq. (3.2), order by order in the power counting. In practice, this requirement can only be satisfied up to a given order n^* , and the resulting potential, when inserted into the LS equation, will generate contributions of order $n > n^*$, which do not match $T^{(n)}$. In Eq. (3.3), G_0 denotes the free two-nucleon propagator, $G_0 = 1/(E_i - H_0 + i\eta)$, and we assume that

$$\langle N'N' | V | NN \rangle = \sum_n V^{(n)}, \quad (3.4)$$

where the yet-to-be-determined $V^{(n)}$ is of order Q^n . We also note that, generally, a term like $[V^{(m)} G_0 V^{(n)}]$ is of order Q^{m+n+1} , because G_0 is of order Q^{-2} and the implicit loop integration brings in a factor Q^3 (for a more detailed discussion, see Ref. [17]).

We now consider the case of interest here, in which the two nucleons interact via a PC potential plus a very small PV component. The χ EFT Hamiltonian implies the following expansion in powers of Q for $T = T_{\text{PC}} + T_{\text{PV}}$:

$$T_{\text{PC}} = T_{\text{PC}}^{(0)} + T_{\text{PC}}^{(1)} + T_{\text{PC}}^{(2)} + \dots, \quad (3.5)$$

$$T_{\text{PV}} = T_{\text{PV}}^{(-1)} + T_{\text{PV}}^{(0)} + T_{\text{PV}}^{(1)} + \dots. \quad (3.6)$$

We assume that $V = V_{\text{PC}} + V_{\text{PV}}$ have a similar expansion,

$$V_{\text{PC}} = V_{\text{PC}}^{(0)} + V_{\text{PC}}^{(1)} + V_{\text{PC}}^{(2)} + \dots, \quad (3.7)$$

$$V_{\text{PV}} = V_{\text{PV}}^{(-1)} + V_{\text{PV}}^{(0)} + V_{\text{PV}}^{(1)} + \dots, \quad (3.8)$$

and to linear terms in V_{PV} we find

$$\begin{aligned} T &= V + V G_0 V + V G_0 V G_0 V + \dots \\ &= V_{\text{PC}} + V_{\text{PV}} + V_{\text{PC}} G_0 V_{\text{PC}} + V_{\text{PV}} G_0 V_{\text{PC}} \\ &+ V_{\text{PC}} G_0 V_{\text{PV}} + V_{\text{PC}} G_0 V_{\text{PC}} G_0 V_{\text{PC}} \\ &+ V_{\text{PV}} G_0 V_{\text{PC}} G_0 V_{\text{PC}} + V_{\text{PC}} G_0 V_{\text{PV}} G_0 V_{\text{PC}} \\ &+ V_{\text{PC}} G_0 V_{\text{PC}} G_0 V_{\text{PV}} + \dots. \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

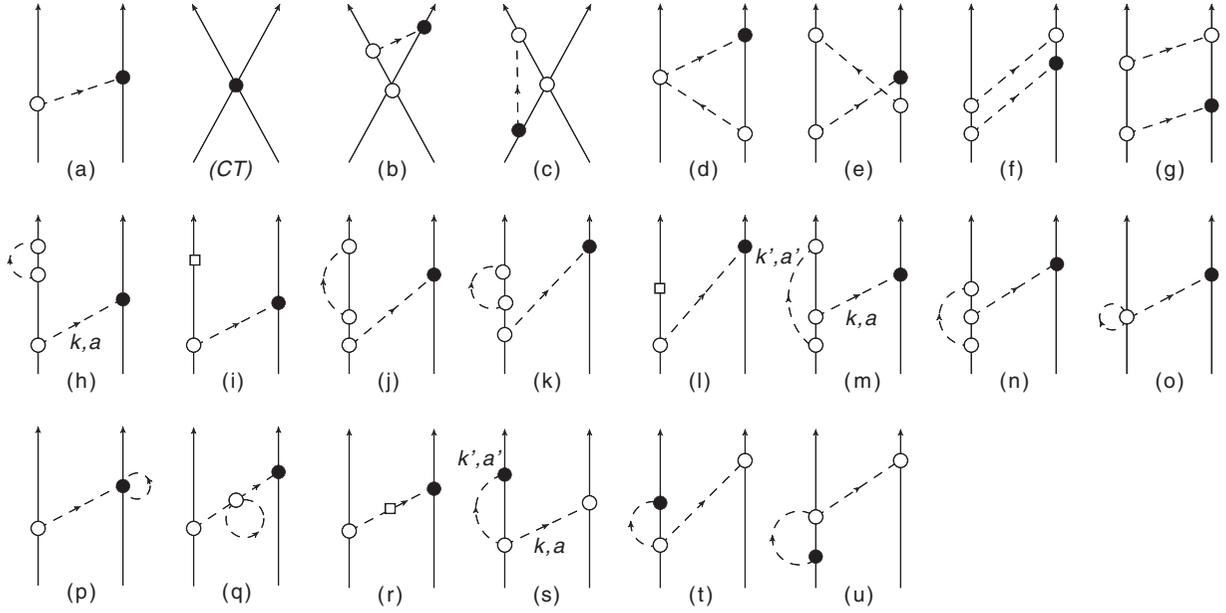


FIG. 1. Time-ordered diagrams contributing to the PV potential (only a single time ordering is shown). Nucleons and pions are denoted by solid and dashed lines, respectively. The open (solid) circles represent PC (PV) vertices. Diagrams (h)–(u) are vertex corrections contributing to the OPE potential.

By matching up to the order Q^2 for V_{PC} and Q^1 for V_{PV} , we obtain for the PC potential

$$V_{PC}^{(0)} = T_{PC}^{(0)}, \quad (3.10)$$

$$V_{PC}^{(1)} = T_{PC}^{(1)} - [V_{PC}^{(0)} G_0 V_{PC}^{(0)}], \quad (3.11)$$

$$V_{PC}^{(2)} = T_{PC}^{(2)} - [V_{PC}^{(0)} G_0 V_{PC}^{(1)}] - [V_{PC}^{(1)} G_0 V_{PC}^{(0)}] - [V_{PC}^{(0)} G_0 V_{PC}^{(0)} G_0 V_{PC}^{(0)}], \quad (3.12)$$

and for the PV one

$$V_{PV}^{(-1)} = T_{PV}^{(-1)}, \quad (3.13)$$

$$V_{PV}^{(0)} = T_{PV}^{(0)} - [V_{PV}^{(-1)} G_0 V_{PC}^{(0)}] - [V_{PC}^{(0)} G_0 V_{PV}^{(-1)}], \quad (3.14)$$

$$V_{PV}^{(1)} = T_{PV}^{(1)} - [V_{PV}^{(0)} G_0 V_{PC}^{(0)}] - [V_{PC}^{(0)} G_0 V_{PV}^{(0)}] - [V_{PV}^{(-1)} G_0 V_{PC}^{(1)}] - [V_{PC}^{(1)} G_0 V_{PV}^{(-1)}] - [V_{PV}^{(-1)} G_0 V_{PC}^{(0)} G_0 V_{PC}^{(0)}] - [V_{PC}^{(0)} G_0 V_{PV}^{(-1)} G_0 V_{PC}^{(0)}] - [V_{PC}^{(0)} G_0 V_{PC}^{(0)} G_0 V_{PV}^{(-1)}]. \quad (3.15)$$

The expressions above relate $V_{PC}^{(n)}$ and $V_{PV}^{(n)}$ to the $T_{PC}^{(n)}$ and $T_{PV}^{(n)}$ amplitudes.

B. The PV potential

It is convenient to define the momenta

$$\mathbf{K}_j = (\mathbf{p}'_j + \mathbf{p}_j)/2, \quad \mathbf{k}_j = \mathbf{p}'_j - \mathbf{p}_j, \quad (3.16)$$

where \mathbf{p}_j and \mathbf{p}'_j are the initial and final momenta of nucleon j . Because $\mathbf{k}_1 = -\mathbf{k}_2 = \mathbf{k}$ from overall momentum conservation $\mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{p}_2 = \mathbf{p}'_1 + \mathbf{p}'_2$, the momentum-space matrix element of the potential V is a function of the momentum variables \mathbf{k} ,

\mathbf{K}_1 , and \mathbf{K}_2 , namely,

$$\langle \alpha'_1 \alpha'_2 | V_{PV} | \alpha_1 \alpha_2 \rangle = \frac{1}{\Omega} V_{PV}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{K}_1, \mathbf{K}_2) \delta_{\mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}'_1 + \mathbf{p}'_2}, \quad (3.17)$$

where $\alpha_j \equiv \{\mathbf{p}_j, s_j, t_j\}$ denotes the momentum, spin projection, and isospin projection of nucleon j , and the various momenta are discretized by assuming periodic boundary conditions in a box of volume Ω . Moreover, we can write

$$V_{PV}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{K}_1, \mathbf{K}_2) = V_{PV}^{(c.m.)}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{K}) + V_{PV}^{(P)}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{K}), \quad (3.18)$$

where $\mathbf{K} = (\mathbf{K}_1 - \mathbf{K}_2)/2$, $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{p}_2 = \mathbf{K}_1 + \mathbf{K}_2$, and the term $V_{PV}^{(P)}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{K})$ represents boost corrections to $V_{PV}^{(c.m.)}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{K})$ [58], the potential in the center-of-mass (c.m.) frame. Below we ignore these boost corrections and provide expressions for $V_{PV}^{(c.m.)}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{K})$ only.

Diagrams contributing to the PV potential are shown in Fig. 1; diagrams (h)–(u) contribute to the renormalization of the LEC h_π^1 . An analysis of the πNN vertex corrections was already carried out in Ref. [24] [in that paper the choice $\alpha = 1/6$ in Eq. (2.1) was adopted], and we have verified that we obtain identical expressions to those reported in that work. Contributions given by the various diagrams are reported in Appendix G. In this section, we only list the final expression for the PV potential $V_{PV}^{(c.m.)}$ as (the dependence on the momenta \mathbf{k} and \mathbf{K} is understood)

$$V_{PV}^{(c.m.)} = V_{PV}^{(OPE)} + V_{PV}^{(TPE)} + V_{PV}^{(RC)} + V_{PV}^{(CT)}, \quad (3.19)$$

namely, as a sum of terms owing to one-pion exchange (OPE), two-pion exchange (TPE), relativistic corrections (RCs), and contact contributions (CTs). Following the discussion reported in Appendix G, the OPE term collects (i) the nonrelativistic (NR) LO contribution $V^{(-1)(NR)}$ of diagram (a) in Fig. 1,

namely,

$$V^{(-1)}(\text{NR}) = \frac{g_A h_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi} (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z \frac{i \mathbf{k} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2)}{\omega_k^2}, \quad (3.20)$$

where $\omega_k^2 = k^2 + m_\pi^2$, (ii) part of the contribution owing to the order Q^2 pion-nucleon interactions given in Eq. (G20) [the term proportional to $V^{(-1)}(\text{NR})$], and (iii) the various contributions coming from the diagrams (h)–(u) shown in Fig. 1, explicitly,

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\text{PV}}^{(\text{OPE})} = V^{(-1)}(\text{NR}) & \left[1 + \frac{2m_\pi^2}{g_A} (2d_{16} - d_{18}) \right. \\ & - \frac{8\sqrt{2}m_\pi^2}{h_\pi^1 f_\pi^2} (h_2^1 - h_3^1) - \frac{2g_A^2}{3f_\pi^2} J_{13} \\ & - \frac{20\alpha - 1}{4f_\pi^2} J_{01} - 2\ell_4 \frac{m_\pi^2}{f_\pi^2} \\ & \left. - \frac{1 - 10\alpha}{2f_\pi^2} J_{01} + \frac{1}{4f_\pi^2} J_{01} \right], \quad (3.21) \end{aligned}$$

where the (infinite) constants J_{nm} are

$$J_{mn} = \int \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{k^{2m}}{\omega_k^n}. \quad (3.22)$$

In the expression above there is a term proportional to $(m_\pi/M)^2$ coming from $V^{(1)}(\text{RC})$ which we ignore for simplicity; see Appendix G and Eq. (G19) for more details on its origin. Note the cancellation of the terms proportional to J_{01} , which removes the dependence on α . The renormalized OPE potential reads

$$V_{\text{PV}}^{(\text{OPE})} = \frac{\bar{g}_A \bar{h}_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi} (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z \frac{i \mathbf{k} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2)}{\omega_k^2}, \quad (3.23)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\bar{g}_A \bar{h}_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi} = \frac{g_A h_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi} & \left[1 + \frac{2m_\pi^2}{g_A} (2d_{16} - d_{18}) \right. \\ & \left. - \frac{8\sqrt{2}m_\pi^2}{h_\pi^1 f_\pi^2} (h_2^1 - h_3^1) - \frac{2g_A^2}{3f_\pi^2} J_{13} - 2\ell_4 \frac{m_\pi^2}{f_\pi^2} \right]. \quad (3.24) \end{aligned}$$

Here the overlined quantities are the renormalized coupling constants (up to corrections of order Q^2). Performing a similar analysis for the PC OPE potential, we find (see also Ref. [59])

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\text{PC}}^{(\text{OPE})} = V_{\text{PC}}^{(\text{OPE},0)} & \left[1 - \frac{2g_A^2}{3f_\pi^2} J_{13} \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{4m_\pi^2}{g_A} (2d_{16} - d_{18}) - 2\ell_4 \frac{m_\pi^2}{f_\pi^2} \right], \quad (3.25) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$V_{\text{PC}}^{(\text{OPE},0)} = -\frac{g_A^2}{4f_\pi^2} \vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2 \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \cdot \mathbf{k} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 \cdot \mathbf{k}}{\omega_k^2}, \quad (3.26)$$

is the PC OPE potential at order Q^0 . As usual [59], the singular part coming from J_{13} is absorbed by the LECs d_{16} and ℓ_4 . The LEC d_{18} is assumed to have only a finite part fixed by

the Goldberger-Treiman anomaly. In summary, the PC OPE potential up to order Q^2 is written as

$$V_{\text{PC}}^{(\text{OPE})} = -\frac{\bar{g}_A^2}{4\bar{f}_\pi^2} \left(1 - \frac{4m_\pi^2 d_{18}}{g_A} \right) \vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2 \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \cdot \mathbf{k} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 \cdot \mathbf{k}}{\omega_k^2}, \quad (3.27)$$

where the renormalized ratio \bar{g}_A/\bar{f}_π is given by

$$\frac{\bar{g}_A}{\bar{f}_\pi} = \frac{g_A}{f_\pi} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} \frac{g_A^2}{f_\pi^2} J_{13} + \frac{4m_\pi^2}{g_A} d_{16} - \ell_4 \frac{m_\pi^2}{f_\pi^2} \right). \quad (3.28)$$

On the right-hand side of Eqs. (3.24), (3.27), and (3.28), g_A and f_π can be replaced with the renormalized (physical) values \bar{g}_A and \bar{f}_π , which is correct at this order. The constant J_{13} is given in dimensional regularization in Eq. (B38) of Ref. [15],

$$J_{13} = \frac{3m_\pi^2}{8\pi^2} (d_\epsilon + 1), \quad (3.29)$$

$$d_\epsilon = -\frac{2}{\epsilon} + \gamma - \ln 4\pi + \ln \left(\frac{m_\pi^2}{\mu^2} \right) - \frac{4}{3},$$

where $\gamma \approx 0.5772 \dots$, $\epsilon = 3 - d$, d being the number of dimensions ($d \rightarrow 3$), and μ is a renormalization scale. Absorbing d_ϵ in both d_{16} and ℓ_4 , we have

$$\frac{\bar{g}_A}{\bar{f}_\pi} = \frac{g_A}{f_\pi} \left(1 - \frac{g_A^2}{f_\pi^2} \frac{m_\pi^2}{8\pi^2} + \frac{4m_\pi^2}{g_A} \bar{d}_{16} - \bar{\ell}_4 \frac{m_\pi^2}{f_\pi^2} \right), \quad (3.30)$$

where \bar{d}_{16} and $\bar{\ell}_4$ are the finite parts of the two corresponding LECs. This expression coincides with Eq. (2.44) of Ref. [59], but for a factor 2 in the second term on the r.h.s. of the above equation. However, this difference is of no import, because the final result depends on quantities absorbed in the LECs d_{16} and ℓ_4 (namely, on the definition of d_ϵ).

Using Eq. (3.28) for the renormalized (at order Q^2) ratio \bar{g}_A/\bar{f}_π , we can extract from Eq. (3.24) the expression of the renormalized coupling constant \bar{h}_π^1 ,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{h}_\pi^1 = h_\pi^1 & \left[1 - \frac{1}{3} \frac{g_A^2}{f_\pi^2} J_{13} - \frac{2m_\pi^2}{g_A} d_{18} - \ell_4 \frac{m_\pi^2}{f_\pi^2} \right. \\ & \left. - \frac{8\sqrt{2}m_\pi^2}{h_\pi^1 f_\pi^2} (h_2^1 - h_3^1) \right], \quad (3.31) \end{aligned}$$

and the infinite part coming from J_{13} can be reabsorbed by ℓ_4 , h_2^1 , and h_3^1 .

The potential $V_{\text{PV}}^{(\text{TPE})}$ comes from the regular contributions of panels (d)–(g) of Fig. 1 reported in Eqs. (G22) and (G27),

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\text{PV}}^{(\text{TPE})} = & -\frac{g_A h_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi \Lambda_\chi^2} (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z i \mathbf{k} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) L(k) \\ & - \frac{g_A h_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi} \frac{g_A^2}{\Lambda_\chi^2} \{ 4(\tau_{1z} + \tau_{2z}) i \mathbf{k} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) L(k) \\ & + (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z i \mathbf{k} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) [H(k) - 3L(k)] \}, \quad (3.32) \end{aligned}$$

where the loop functions $L(k)$ and $H(k)$ are defined in Eqs. (G23) and (G28). The TPE potential reported above is in agreement with the expression derived in Refs. [22,27–29].

In this and following N2LO terms of the potential, the coupling constants g_A , f_π , and h_π^1 can be replaced by the corresponding physical (renormalized) values.

The potential $V_{\text{PV}}^{(\text{RC})}$ coincides, except for the term proportional to k^2 which is reabsorbed in the OPE (as discussed above) and CT (see below) parts, with the quantity $V^{(1)}(\text{RC})$ given in Eq. (G19), namely,

$$V_{\text{PV}}^{(\text{RC})} = \frac{g_A h_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi} \frac{1}{4M^2} (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z \frac{1}{\omega_k^2} [-4iK^2 \mathbf{k} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) + \mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{K}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 + \mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{K}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1]. \quad (3.33)$$

Last, the potential $V_{\text{PV}}^{(\text{CT})}$, derived from the $4N$ contact diagrams (CT) of Fig. 1, reads

$$V_{\text{PV}}^{(\text{CT})} = \frac{1}{\Lambda_\chi^2 f_\pi} [C_1 i (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \mathbf{k} + C_2 \vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2 i (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \mathbf{k} + \overline{C}_3 (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z i (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \mathbf{k} + \overline{C}_4 (\tau_{1z} + \tau_{2z}) i (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \mathbf{k} + C_5 \mathcal{I}^{ab} \tau_{1a} \tau_{2b} i (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \mathbf{k}], \quad (3.34)$$

where the \overline{C}_i are the renormalized LECs, in which the infinite constants coming from the evaluation (in dimensional regularization) of the TPE diagrams—the terms given in Eqs. (G24) and (G29)—as well as the contribution proportional to ω_k^2 in Eq. (G19) and the contribution proportional to h_{12}^1 in Eq. (G20) have been reabsorbed (see Appendix G 2 for more details). Note that there exist ten operators which can enter $V_{\text{PV}}^{(\text{CT})}$ at order Q [22]. As stated before, only five of them are independent [25]. In this work (see also Ref. [27]), we have chosen to write $V_{\text{PV}}^{(\text{CT})}$ in terms of the five operators constructed from \mathbf{k} , so that the r -space version of $V_{\text{PV}}^{(\text{CT})}$ assumes a simple local form with no gradients. In any case, the LECs C_i used here are not the same as those defined in Ref. [22], although the two sets are related linearly to each other, with five combinations of LECs in Ref. [22] being unphysical, because they correspond to redundant operators.

In the applications discussed in Sec. IV, the configuration-space version of the potential is needed. This formally follows from

$$\langle \mathbf{r}'_1 \mathbf{r}'_2 | V | \mathbf{r}_1 \mathbf{r}_2 \rangle = \delta(\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{R}') \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3K}{(2\pi)^3} \times e^{i(\mathbf{K} + \mathbf{k}/2) \cdot \mathbf{r}'} V(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{K}) e^{-i(\mathbf{K} - \mathbf{k}/2) \cdot \mathbf{r}}, \quad (3.35)$$

where $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2$ and $\mathbf{R} = (\mathbf{r}_1 + \mathbf{r}_2)/2$, and similarly for the primed variables. To carry out the Fourier transforms above, the integrand is regularized by including a cutoff of the form

$$C_\Lambda(k) = e^{-(k/\Lambda)^4}, \quad (3.36)$$

where the cutoff parameter Λ is taken in the range 500–600 MeV. With such a choice the OPE, TPE, and CT components of the resulting potential are local, i.e., $\langle \mathbf{r}'_1 \mathbf{r}'_2 | V | \mathbf{r}_1 \mathbf{r}_2 \rangle = \delta(\mathbf{R} - \mathbf{R}') \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') V(\mathbf{r})$, while the RC component contains mild nonlocalities associated with linear and quadratic terms in the relative momentum operator $-i\nabla$. Explicit expressions for all these components are listed in Appendix H.

TABLE I. The NN and NNN chiral potentials used in this work. In columns 2–4 the values for the cutoff parameter Λ (in MeV) and adimensional coefficients c_D and c_E in the NNN potential are listed. In the last column the binding energies predicted for ${}^4\text{He}$ are reported corresponding to the two sets.

PC interactions	Λ (MeV)	c_D	c_E	B (${}^4\text{He}$) (MeV)
N3LO/N2LO-500	500	-0.12	-0.196	28.49
N3LO/N2LO-600	600	-0.26	-0.846	28.64

IV. RESULTS

In this section, we report results for PV observables in the $A = 2-4$ systems. The $A = 2$ calculations are based on the (weak interaction) PV NN potential derived in the previous section (and summarized in Appendix H) and on the (strong interaction) PC NN potential obtained by Entem and Machleidt [8,60] at next-to-next-to-next-to-leading order (N3LO). This potential is regularized with a cutoff function depending on a parameter Λ ; its functional form, however, is different from that adopted here for V_{PV} . Below we consider the two versions corresponding to $\Lambda = 500$ MeV and $\Lambda = 600$ MeV, labeled N3LO-500 and N3LO-600, respectively. The $A = 3$ and 4 calculations also include a (strong interaction) PC three-nucleon (NNN) potential derived in χEFT at N2LO [61]. It too depends on a cutoff parameter Λ , and here we use values for it which are consistent with those in the PC and PV NN potentials. These three-nucleon potentials, labeled, respectively, N2LO-500 and N2LO-600, depend, in addition, on two unknown LECs, denoted as c_D and c_E . In this work, they have been determined by reproducing the $A = 3$ binding energies and the Gamow-Teller matrix element in tritium β decay [62,63]. Their values are listed in Table I.

The final expression of the potential is given in Eq. (H1). The component $V^{(\text{OPE})}$ is the LO term (of order Q^{-1}), although the coupling constants contain also contributions from the N2LO (order Q^1) vertex corrections, while the components RC, TPE, and CT are N2LO terms. In the following, the values $\overline{g}_A = 1.267$ and $\overline{f}_\pi = 92.4$ MeV are adopted.

This section is organized as follows. In Sec. IV A, we provide estimates for the renormalized LECs h_π^1 and C_i (with the overline omitted for brevity) entering the PV potential, using a resonance saturation model, in practice by exploiting what is known about the DDH parameters [4]. In Sec. IV B, we provide constraints for some of the LECs by fitting currently available measurements of the \bar{p} - p longitudinal asymmetry. In Secs. IV C and IV D we present a study of, respectively, spin-rotation effects in n - p and n - d scattering and of the longitudinal asymmetry in the ${}^3\text{He}(\bar{n}, p){}^3\text{H}$ reaction.

A. Estimates of the LECs

In Ref. [4] the pion-nucleon PV coupling constant h_π^1 was estimated to vary in the “reasonable range” $0 \leq h_\pi^1 \leq 11.4 \times 10^{-7}$, with the “best value” $h_\pi^1 = 4.56 \times 10^{-7}$. More recently, a lattice calculation has estimated $h_\pi^1 \approx 1 \times 10^{-7}$

[21]. Therefore, in the following we perform calculations for three values of h_π^1 :

- (i) $h_\pi^1 = 1 \times 10^{-7}$ (lattice estimate);
- (ii) $h_\pi^1 = 4.56 \times 10^{-7}$ (DDH “best value”);
- (iii) $h_\pi^1 = 11.4 \times 10^{-7}$ (maximum value allowed in the DDH “reasonable range”).

To estimate the LECs C_i in $V_{\text{PV}}^{(\text{CT})}$, we match the components of the DDH potential mediated by ρ and ω exchanges to those of $V_{\text{PV}}^{(\text{CT})}$ and obtain in the limit $k \ll m_\rho, m_\omega$:

$$C_1^{(\text{DDH})} = -\frac{3}{2}g_\rho h_\rho^0 D_\rho - \frac{3}{2}g_\omega h_\omega^0 D_\omega, \quad (4.1)$$

$$C_2^{(\text{DDH})} = -g_\rho h_\rho^0 \left(\frac{1}{2} + \kappa_\rho \right) D_\rho - \frac{1}{2}g_\omega h_\omega^0 D_\omega, \quad (4.2)$$

$$C_3^{(\text{DDH})} = -\frac{1}{2}g_\rho (h_\rho^{1'} - h_\rho^1) D_\rho - \frac{1}{2}g_\omega h_\omega^1 D_\omega, \quad (4.3)$$

$$C_4^{(\text{DDH})} = -\frac{1}{2}g_\rho h_\rho^1 (2 + \kappa_\rho) D_\rho - g_\omega h_\omega^1 D_\omega, \quad (4.4)$$

$$C_5^{(\text{DDH})} = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{6}}g_\rho h_\rho^2 (2 + \kappa_\rho) D_\rho, \quad (4.5)$$

where $g_\rho, \kappa_\rho, g_\omega, h_\rho^{0,1,2,1'}$, and $h_\omega^{0,1}$ are the vector-meson coupling constants in the DDH potential, and

$$D_\rho = \frac{\Lambda_\rho^2}{m_\rho^2} \frac{f_\pi}{M} \left(1 - \frac{m_\rho^2}{\Lambda_\rho^2} \right)^2, \quad (4.6)$$

$$D_\omega = \frac{\Lambda_\omega^2}{m_\omega^2} \frac{f_\pi}{M} \left(1 - \frac{m_\omega^2}{\Lambda_\omega^2} \right)^2. \quad (4.7)$$

The cutoff parameters Λ_ρ and Λ_ω enter the vector-meson hadronic form factors used to regularize the behavior of the associated components of the DDH potential at large momenta (the values adopted here $\Lambda_\rho = 1.31$ GeV and $\Lambda_\omega = 1.50$ GeV are from the one-boson-exchange charge-dependent Bonn potential [64]).

In the original work [4] “best values” and “reasonable ranges,” derived from a quark model and symmetry arguments, were proposed also for the DDH vector-meson PV coupling constants. In particular, the analysis of Ref. [65] suggested that the coupling constant $h_\rho^{1'}$ is quite small. In subsequent years, there were several studies attempting to estimate the values of these coupling constants either from theoretical models [66,67] or from comparisons between predictions for PV observables and available experimental data. For example, in Ref. [68] constraints on the DDH PV vector-meson coupling constants were obtained by fitting data on the \vec{p} - p longitudinal asymmetry (see below). In a later paper [46], these constraints and best-value estimates—in particular, the value $h_\pi^1 = 4.56 \times 10^{-7}$ was assumed—resulted in a DDH model, denoted as “DDH-adj” [46]. From the DDH-adj set of vector-meson PV coupling constants we find via Eqs. (4.1)–(4.5), in units of 10^{-7} ,

$$\begin{aligned} C_1^{(\text{DDH})} &\approx 1, & C_2^{(\text{DDH})} &\approx +30, & C_3^{(\text{DDH})} &\approx -2, \\ C_4^{(\text{DDH})} &\approx 0, & C_5^{(\text{DDH})} &\approx +7. \end{aligned} \quad (4.8)$$

The large value of $C_2^{(\text{DDH})}$ is attributable to the tensor coupling constant $\kappa_\rho = 6.1$ of the ρ meson to the nucleon in Ref. [64]. Clearly, these values should be taken only as indicative, because terms in the DDH vector-meson potential implicitly also account for TPE components, which in the χ EFT PV potential are included explicitly.

B. The \vec{p} - p longitudinal asymmetry

There exist three accurate measurements of the angle-averaged \vec{p} - p longitudinal asymmetry $\bar{A}_z^{pp}(E)$, obtained at different laboratory energies E [35–37]:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{A}_z^{pp}(13.6 \text{ MeV}) &= (-0.97 \pm 0.20) \times 10^{-7}, \\ \bar{A}_z^{pp}(45 \text{ MeV}) &= (-1.53 \pm 0.21) \times 10^{-7}, \\ \bar{A}_z^{pp}(221 \text{ MeV}) &= (+0.84 \pm 0.34) \times 10^{-7}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.9)$$

These data points have been obtained by combining results from various measurements, as discussed in Sec. IV of Ref. [68]. The errors reported above include both statistical and systematic errors added in quadrature. These experiments measure the asymmetry averaged over a range (θ_1, θ_2) of (laboratory) scattering angles.

The calculation of this observable was carried out with the methods of Ref. [68]. We have explicitly verified that the angular distribution of the longitudinal asymmetry $A_z(E, \theta)$ is approximately constant except at small angles $\lesssim 15^\circ$, where Coulomb scattering dominates. In the following, we have computed the average asymmetry $\bar{A}_z^{pp}(E)$ using for $E = 13.6$ MeV $(\theta_1, \theta_2) = (20^\circ, 78^\circ)$, for $E = 45$ MeV $(\theta_1, \theta_2) = (23^\circ, 52^\circ)$, and for $E = 221$ MeV $(\theta_1, \theta_2) = (5^\circ, 90^\circ)$.

For pp scattering it is easily seen that the longitudinal asymmetry can be expressed as

$$\bar{A}_z^{pp}(E) = a_0^{(pp)}(E) h_\pi^1 + a_1^{(pp)}(E) C, \quad (4.10)$$

where

$$C = C_1 + C_2 + 2(C_4 + C_5), \quad (4.11)$$

and $a_0^{(pp)}(E)$ and $a_1^{(pp)}(E)$ are numerical coefficients independent of the LEC values (however, they do depend on the cutoff Λ in the PC and PV chiral potentials). The dependence of $\bar{A}_z^{pp}(E)$ on h_π^1 is attributable to TPE components in the PV potential. The coefficients calculated using the PC and PV NN potentials for the two choices of cutoff parameters are reported in Table II. As is well known, the values of $a_i^{(pp)}$ at low energy scale as \sqrt{E} , because the energy dependence of the longitudinal asymmetry in this energy range is driven by that of the S -wave (strong interaction) phase shift [68]. Because of this scaling, the experimental points at $E = 13.6$ and 45 MeV do not provide independent constraints on the LECs h_π^1 and C .

If we assume $h_\pi^1 = 4.56 \times 10^{-7}$ and $\Lambda = 500$ MeV, we obtain $C \approx 50 \times 10^{-7}$ by fitting the experimental value at $E = 13.6$ MeV, in agreement with the result of Ref. [27] (note that the operator proportional to the LEC C used in that work has a minus sign relative to that defined here). To take into account experimental uncertainties, we have

TABLE II. Values of the coefficients $a_i^{(pp)}(E)$ at the three energies corresponding to the experimental data points for the two choices of cutoff parameters Λ . The calculations include contributions up to $J_{\max} = 6$ in the partial-wave expansion of the pp scattering state.

E (MeV)	$a_0^{(pp)}$	$a_1^{(pp)}$
	$\Lambda = 500$ MeV	
13.6	0.26992	-0.04159
45	0.55528	-0.07994
221	-0.24337	0.03134
	$\Lambda = 600$ MeV	
13.6	0.25441	-0.03990
45	0.53438	-0.07841
221	-0.19341	0.02743

performed a χ^2 analysis, and in Fig. 2 we report the h_π^1 and C values for which $\chi^2 = 2$ when the cutoff in the PC and PV chiral potentials is fixed at either $\Lambda = 500$ or $\Lambda = 600$ MeV. The resulting two elliptic regions almost coincide, and there appears to be a strong correlation between h_π^1 and C . The range of allowed h_π^1 values is rather large $-1 \times 10^{-6} < h_\pi^1 < 2 \times 10^{-6}$, containing the whole DDH “reasonable range.” Note that the two ellipses are rather narrow and almost coincident with a straight line. These conclusions are the same as those derived in a similar analysis by the authors of Ref. [27].

In Table III, we report representative values of C , determined from Fig. 2, corresponding to the three choices of h_π^1 discussed in the previous section. These values are used in the following sections to provide estimates for PV observables in $A = 2-4$ systems.

C. \bar{n} - p and \bar{n} - d spin rotations

The rotation of the neutron spin in a plane transverse to the beam direction induced by PV components in the NN potential

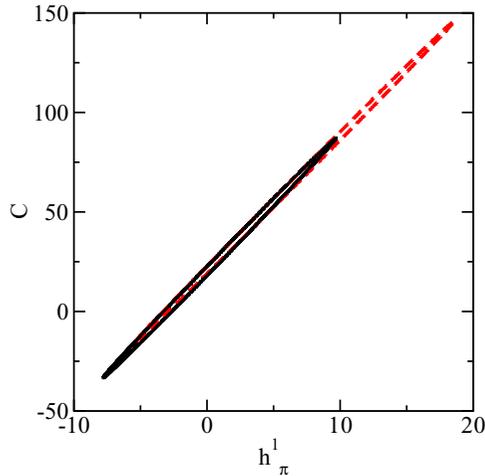


FIG. 2. (Color online) Contours of h_π^1 and C values (in units of 10^{-7}) corresponding to which $\chi^2 = 2$ for the \bar{p} - p longitudinal asymmetry. The black solid (red dashed) contour is relative to $\Lambda = 500$ (600) MeV.

TABLE III. Values for C corresponding to different values of h_π^1 (both in units of 10^{-7}) and Λ , as determined from Fig. 2. The C values are those lying on the major axis of the elliptical contours.

Λ (MeV)	h_π^1	C
500	1	26.7
	4.56	51.5
	11.4	99.2
600	1	27.6
	4.56	51.4
	11.4	97.2

is given by

$$\frac{d\phi^{(nX)}}{dz} = \frac{2\pi\rho}{(2S_X + 1)v_{\text{rel}}} \text{Re} \sum_{m_n m_X} \epsilon_{m_n} \times {}^{(-)}\langle p\hat{\mathbf{z}}; m_n, m_X | V_{\text{PV}} | p\hat{\mathbf{z}}; m_n, m_X \rangle^{(+)}, \quad (4.12)$$

where ρ is the density of hydrogen or deuterium nuclei for $X = p$ or d , V_{PV} denotes the PV potential, $|p\hat{\mathbf{z}}; m_n, m_X\rangle^{(\pm)}$ are the n - X scattering states with outgoing-wave (+) and incoming-wave (-) boundary conditions and relative momentum $\mathbf{p} = p\hat{\mathbf{z}}$ taken along the spin-quantization axis (the $\hat{\mathbf{z}}$ axis), S_X is the X spin, and $v_{\text{rel}} = p/\mu$ is the magnitude of the relative velocity, μ being the n - X reduced mass. The expression above is averaged over the spin projections m_X ; however, the phase factor $\epsilon_{m_n} = (-)^{1/2-m_n}$ is ± 1 depending on whether the neutron has $m_n = \pm 1/2$.

We consider the \bar{n} - p and \bar{n} - d spin rotations for vanishing incident neutron energy (measurements of this observable are performed using ultracold neutron beams). In the following, we assume $\rho = 0.4 \times 10^{23} \text{ cm}^{-3}$. The n - d wave functions have been obtained with the hyperspherical-harmonics (HH) method [69,70] from the Hamiltonians N3LO/N2LO-500 and N3LO/N2LO-600 of Sec. IV. Details of the calculation of $d\phi/dz$ for \bar{n} - p and \bar{n} - d can be found in Refs. [46,47,50], respectively. In general, the rotation angle depends linearly on the PV LECs,

$$\frac{d\phi^{(nX)}}{dz} = h_\pi^1 b_0^{(nX)} + C_1 b_1^{(nX)} + C_2 b_2^{(nX)} + C_3 b_3^{(nX)} + C_4 b_4^{(nX)} + C_5 b_5^{(nX)}, \quad (4.13)$$

where the $b_i^{(nX)}$ for $i = 0, \dots, 5$ are numerical coefficients. Their calculated values for the two choices of cutoff Λ are listed in Table IV.

The coefficient $b_0^{(nX)}$ receives contributions from the OPE, TPE, and RC components of the PV potential; see Eq. (3.19). For example, for \bar{n} - p scattering and the N3LO-500 PC potential we find $b_0^{(np)} = 1.23759(\text{OPE}) + 0.13441(\text{TPE}) - 0.01202(\text{RC}) = 1.35997 \text{ rad m}^{-1}$, so the TPE (RC) contribution is about 10 (1)% of the OPE. Inspection of Table IV also shows that the \bar{n} - p spin rotation is sensitive to all LECs except C_4 (proportional to $\tau_{1z} + \tau_{2z}$); in particular, there is a large sensitivity to C_5 , which multiplies the isotensor term of the PV potential.

TABLE IV. Values of the coefficients $b_i^{(nX)}$ in units of rad m^{-1} for the \bar{n} - p and \bar{n} - d spin rotations calculated for the two choices of cutoff Λ at vanishing neutron beam energy.

Λ (MeV)	\bar{n} - p scattering					
	$b_0^{(np)}$	$b_1^{(np)}$	$b_2^{(np)}$	$b_3^{(np)}$	$b_4^{(np)}$	$b_5^{(np)}$
500	1.359 97	0.243 99	0.173 90	0.105 37	0.000 00	-0.905 85
600	1.263 92	0.235 40	0.158 39	0.084 83	0.000 00	-0.864 59
Λ (MeV)	\bar{n} - d scattering					
	$b_0^{(nd)}$	$b_1^{(nd)}$	$b_2^{(nd)}$	$b_3^{(nd)}$	$b_4^{(nd)}$	$b_5^{(nd)}$
500	2.179 13	-0.010 46	-0.159 97	0.191 17	0.063 67	0.000 32
600	2.221 65	-0.006 84	-0.182 26	0.182 32	0.067 50	0.000 30

The \bar{n} - p spin rotation was already studied in Ref. [29] using the same PV potential as in the present work but the Argonne v_{18} (AV18) PC potential [71]. The results obtained in this work cannot be directly compared with those reported in Ref. [29] because of differences in the definition of the LECs, in the value of the cutoff, and in the presentation of the results themselves. In Ref. [29] the CT component of the PV potential has a redundant parametrization in terms of ten LECs. By expressing the five CT operators depending on \mathbf{K} in terms of those which only depend on \mathbf{k} via Eqs. (25), (26), and (29) of Ref. [29], we obtain (in units of rad m^{-1})

$$\left. \frac{d\phi^{(np)}}{dz} \right|_{\text{Liu}} \approx [1.15 (h_\pi^1)_{\text{OPE}} - 0.13 (h_\pi^1)_{\text{TPE}} + 0.15 C_1 + 0.12 C_2 + 0.08 C_3 - 0.56 C_5]. \quad (4.14)$$

The coefficients multiplying the various LECs can be compared with the $b_i^{(np)}$ reported in Table IV. There is qualitative agreement, given that the coefficients above correspond to the AV18 model as well as to a larger cutoff Λ in the PV potential than adopted here. In Eq. (4.14), the factors multiplying $(h_\pi^1)_{\text{OPE}}$ and $(h_\pi^1)_{\text{TPE}}$ are the contributions to $b_0^{(np)}$ from the OPE and TPE components (of the PV potential), respectively. These should be compared to the OPE and TPE results, obtained here (see above): 1.237 59 and 0.134 41 rad m^{-1} . In the present case, the TPE contribution is positive and increases $b_0^{(np)}$. We have verified that this contribution is very sensitive to the cutoff parameter Λ . For example, using $\Lambda = 1.3$ GeV as in Ref. [29], we find that the TPE contribution becomes negative.

In reference to the \bar{n} - d spin rotation, we note the large sensitivity to h_π^1 (this fact is well known [47,50]) and to the

TABLE V. Values for the LECs h_π^1 , C_2 , and C_5 corresponding to sets I, II, and III (see text). The remaining LECs are taken to have the values $C_1 = 1$, $C_3 = -1$, and $C_4 = 1$ in each set. All LECs are in units of 10^{-7} .

LEC	$\Lambda = 500$ MeV			$\Lambda = 600$ MeV		
	I	II	III	I	II	III
h_π^1	1.0	4.56	11.4	1.0	4.56	11.4
C_2	13.7	28.5	56.2	14.6	28.4	54.2
C_5	5.0	10.0	20.0	5.0	10.0	20.0

LECs C_2 and C_3 . A measurement of this observable could be very useful in constraining their values.

To provide an estimate for the magnitude of the \bar{n} - p and \bar{n} - d spin rotations, we proceed as follows. We set $C_1 = 1$, $C_3 = -1$, and $C_4 = 1$, because estimates from Eq. (4.8) indicate that they are much smaller (in magnitude) than C_2 and C_5 . For each set of h_π^1 and Λ values, the corresponding value of the LEC C_5 is as reported in Table V. Finally, the value of the LEC C_2 is fixed so that the parameter C in Eq. (4.11) is as given in Table III. All the LEC values are reported in Table V. The three sets are denoted hereafter as I, II, and III.

The cumulative contributions to $d\phi^{(nX)}/dz$ using the LECs in Table V are reported in Table VI. There is a large sensitivity to h_π^1 . However, the dependence of the results on Λ is also significant, especially in the \bar{n} - p case, presumably owing to the fact that the LECs $C_{1,3,4,5}$ have been taken to have the same values for the two choices of Λ . In general, we expect the values of these LECs to vary as Λ changes. The effect of the RC term in the PV potential is tiny. For the \bar{n} - d spin-rotation angle, we note that the TPE contribution is at the few % level for $\Lambda = 500$ MeV, but negligible for $\Lambda = 600$ MeV.

D. The ${}^3\text{He}(\bar{n}, p){}^3\text{H}$ longitudinal asymmetry

For ultracold neutrons, the longitudinal asymmetry A_z for the reaction ${}^3\text{He}(\bar{n}, p){}^3\text{H}$ is given by $A_z = a_z \cos \theta$ [48], where θ is the angle between the outgoing proton momentum and the

TABLE VI. Cumulative contributions to the \bar{n} - p and \bar{n} - d spin rotations in units of 10^{-7} rad m^{-1} , corresponding to sets I, II, and III of LECs as specified in Table V.

	$\Lambda = 500$ MeV			$\Lambda = 600$ MeV		
	I	II	III	I	II	III
\bar{n} - p spin rotation						
OPE	1.24	5.64	14.11	1.19	5.42	13.56
TPE	1.37	6.26	15.64	1.27	5.80	14.50
RC	1.36	6.20	15.50	1.26	5.76	14.41
CT	-0.65	2.24	7.30	-0.60	1.77	5.85
\bar{n} - d spin rotation						
OPE	2.25	10.27	25.67	2.25	10.25	25.62
TPE	2.21	10.06	25.15	2.25	10.26	25.64
RC	2.18	9.94	24.84	2.22	10.13	25.33
CT	-0.15	5.24	15.72	-0.56	4.84	15.33

TABLE VII. Values of the coefficients a_i entering the ${}^3\text{He}(\bar{n}, p){}^3\text{H}$ longitudinal asymmetry calculated at vanishing neutron beam energy and for two choices of the cutoff parameter Λ . The calculations are performed summing four-body states up to $J_{\text{max}} = 1$, namely, including S waves in the incident channel.

Λ (MeV)	a_0	a_1	a_2	a_3	a_4	a_5
500	-0.1444	0.0061	0.0226	-0.0199	-0.0174	-0.0005
600	-0.1293	0.0081	0.0320	-0.0161	-0.0156	-0.0001

neutron beam direction. The coefficient a_z can be expressed in terms of products of T -matrix elements involving three PC and three PV transitions (see Ref. [48] for details). These T -matrix elements are calculated by means of the HH method [69,70], using the PC and PV chiral potentials of the previous sections.

The coefficient a_z is expressed as

$$a_z = a_0 h_\pi^1 + a_1 C_1 + a_2 C_2 + a_3 C_3 + a_4 C_4 + a_5 C_5, \quad (4.15)$$

and the calculated coefficients a_i are listed in Table VII. The largest coefficient is a_0 , while a_2 , a_3 and a_4 are of similar magnitude and about a factor 5 smaller than a_0 . The coefficients a_1 and a_5 are more than an order of magnitude smaller than the leading a_0 . Naively, one would have expected the dominant contributions to come from the isoscalar terms (proportional to the LECs C_1 and C_2), because at the low energies of interest here the reaction proceeds mainly through the (close) 0^+ and 0^- resonances in the ${}^4\text{He}$ spectrum, having total isospin $T = 0$ [72]. However, the Coulomb interaction in the final state induces significant isospin mixing, and the isovector terms in the PV potential end up giving unexpectedly large contributions. In any case, the ‘‘isoscalar’’ coefficient a_2 , when multiplied by C_2 , which is expected to be large, leads to a contribution of similar magnitude as that of $a_0 h_\pi^1$, but of opposite sign. The destructive interference between these two contributions makes the longitudinal asymmetry rather sensitive to short-range physics and, in particular, to the cutoff Λ (see Table VIII below).

In Table VIII we report cumulatively the contributions of the OPE, TPE, RC, CT components of the PV potential to the parameter a_z . These predictions for a_z correspond to sets I, II, and III of LECs, as specified in Table V. The RC contribution is tiny (at the 1% level), while the TPE contribution is about

TABLE VIII. Cumulative contributions to the coefficient a_z (in units of 10^{-7}), describing the ${}^3\text{He}(\bar{n}, p){}^3\text{H}$ longitudinal asymmetry at vanishing neutron beam energy, corresponding to sets I, II, and III of LECs as specified in Table V.

	$\Lambda = 500$ MeV			$\Lambda = 600$ MeV		
	I	II	III	I	II	III
OPE	-0.118	-0.537	-1.34	-0.099	-0.453	-1.13
TPE	-0.147	-0.669	-1.67	-0.131	-0.597	-1.49
RC	-0.144	-0.658	-1.65	-0.129	-0.589	-1.47
CT	0.171	-0.012	-0.38	0.346	0.326	0.27

30% of the OPE one. Upon including the CT contribution, we observe a large cancellation, particularly effective for small values of h_π^1 . As already noted, this cancellation comes mostly from the term proportional to the LEC C_2 .

V. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper we have studied the χEFT Lagrangian describing PV interactions of nucleons and pions up to order Q^2 . This Lagrangian has been used to derive the PV NN potential at N2LO. We have also discussed subleading contributions to the OPE component, and carried out the renormalization of the pion-nucleon PV coupling constant h_π^1 . Finally, we have investigated PV effects in a number of reactions involving few-nucleon systems. We find that (i) the \bar{p} - p longitudinal asymmetry is sensitive to h_π^1 (via the TPE component of the PV potential) and to the combination of LECs $C = C_1 + C_2 + 2C_4 + 2C_5$; (ii) the \bar{n} - p spin rotation is sensitive to all LECs but C_4 , while the \bar{n} - d spin rotation is sensitive to h_π^1 , C_2 , and C_3 ; and (iii) the n - ${}^3\text{He}$ longitudinal asymmetry is sensitive to h_π^1 , C_2 , C_3 , and C_4 .

At the SNS facility at Oak Ridge National Laboratory a measurement of the PV asymmetry a_γ in the ${}^1\text{H}(\bar{n}, \gamma){}^2\text{H}$ radiative capture is in progress (the NPDGAMMA experiment). This observable is mainly sensitive to h_π^1 [28]. It is expected that this measurement will provide tight constraints on its value. Once h_π^1 is known, measurements of the \bar{n} - p and \bar{n} - d spin rotations, and of the \bar{n} - ${}^3\text{He}$ longitudinal asymmetry, would provide constraints on the LECs C_i . It would also be very valuable to have new and more precise measurements of the \bar{p} - p longitudinal asymmetry at different proton energies.

An experiment to measure the \bar{n} - ${}^3\text{He}$ A_z asymmetry has already been approved at the SNS facility, and the experimental apparatus is in an advanced stage of construction. The experiment should start taking data after the conclusion of NPDGAMMA. An accurate measurement of A_z could lead to a precise determination of C_2 . At the present time, experiments to measure \bar{n} - p and \bar{n} - d spin-rotation angles are not planned, but could provide useful information on C_5 and C_3 , respectively. The only other experiment in progress we are aware of is a measurement of the \bar{n} - ${}^4\text{He}$ spin rotation at NIST [43].

In the future, we plan to use the χEFT Lagrangians of order Q^2 we have derived here to study PV couplings to the electromagnetic field and, in particular, to provide estimates for PV observables in the np and nd radiative captures. We also plan to study the \bar{n} - ${}^4\text{He}$ spin rotation with quantum Monte Carlo methods.

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APPENDIX A: CHIRAL TRANSFORMATION PROPERTIES OF $D_\mu X_{L/R}^a$

The transformation properties of the quantities $X_{L/R}^a$, as already given in Eq. (2.15), are

$$X_R^a \rightarrow h u^\dagger R^\dagger \tau_a R u h^\dagger, \quad X_L^a \rightarrow h u L^\dagger \tau_a L u^\dagger h^\dagger, \quad (\text{A1})$$

i.e., $X_R^a \rightarrow h(X_R^a)^{\text{(constructed with } R^\dagger \tau_a R)} h^\dagger$ and similarly for X_L^a . For local transformations, the SU(2) matrices L and R depend on the space-time coordinate x , and care must be taken when considering four-gradients of $X_{L/R}^a$, because under chiral transformations they contain terms like $h u^\dagger R^\dagger \tau_a (\partial_\mu R) u h^\dagger$, which transform differently from $X_{L/R}^a$. It is convenient to define the quantities

$$(X_R^a)_\mu = [D_\mu + i u^\dagger r_\mu u, X_R^a], \quad (\text{A2})$$

$$(X_L^a)_\mu = [D_\mu + i u \ell_\mu u^\dagger, X_L^a], \quad (\text{A3})$$

which explicitly read

$$(X_R^a)_\mu = \partial_\mu (u^\dagger \tau_a u) + [\Gamma_\mu, u^\dagger \tau_a u] + i u^\dagger [r_\mu, \tau_a] u, \quad (\text{A4})$$

$$(X_L^a)_\mu = \partial_\mu (u \tau_a u^\dagger) + [\Gamma_\mu, u \tau_a u^\dagger] + i u [l_\mu, \tau_a] u^\dagger. \quad (\text{A5})$$

Then, under chiral transformation it is easily seen that

$$\begin{aligned} (X_R^a)_\mu &\rightarrow h[(\partial_\mu u^\dagger) R^\dagger \tau_a R u + u^\dagger R^\dagger \tau_a R (\partial_\mu u)] h^\dagger \\ &\quad + h[\Gamma_\mu, u^\dagger R^\dagger \tau_a R u] h^\dagger + i h u^\dagger [r_\mu, R^\dagger \tau_a R] u h^\dagger \\ &= h (X_R^a)_\mu^{\text{(constructed with } R^\dagger \tau_a R)} h^\dagger, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A6})$$

and, similarly,

$$(X_L^a)_\mu \rightarrow h (X_L^a)_\mu^{\text{(constructed with } L^\dagger \tau_a L)} h^\dagger. \quad (\text{A7})$$

Therefore, the quantities $(X_{L/R}^a)_\mu$ transform consistently as $X_{L/R}^a$. After inserting the definition of Γ_μ into Eqs. (A4) and (A5), straightforward manipulations allow one to express $(X_{L/R}^a)_\mu$ in a more compact form as

$$(X_R^a)_\mu = \frac{i}{2} [u_\mu, X_R^a], \quad (X_L^a)_\mu = -\frac{i}{2} [u_\mu, X_L^a]. \quad (\text{A8})$$

These identities are used in Appendix C to reduce the number of terms entering the PV Lagrangian.

APPENDIX B: TRANSFORMATION PROPERTIES OF THE VARIOUS FIELDS UNDER P AND C

We list here the transformation properties of various fields and field combinations under Hermitian conjugation (H), parity (P), and charge conjugation (C). The nucleon field ψ transforms as

$$\psi \xrightarrow{P} \gamma^0 \psi, \quad (\text{B1})$$

$$\psi \xrightarrow{C} -i \gamma^0 \gamma^2 (\bar{\psi})^T, \quad (\text{B2})$$

where A^T denotes hereafter the transpose of a given quantity A .

TABLE IX. Transformation properties of fermion bilinears with different elements of the Clifford algebra under Hermitian conjugation (H), parity (P), and charge conjugation (C).

	1	$i \gamma_5$	γ_μ	$\gamma_\mu \gamma_5$	$\sigma_{\mu\nu}$
s_H	+	+	+	+	+
s_P	+	-	+	-	+
s_C	+	+	-	+	-

For a generic combination O of fields, one has

$$\begin{aligned} O^\dagger &= s_H O, \\ O_{\mu_1 \mu_2 \dots} &\xrightarrow{P} s_P \sigma_{\mu_1} \sigma_{\mu_2} \dots O_{\mu_1 \mu_2 \dots}, \\ O &\xrightarrow{C} s_C O^T, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B3})$$

where s_H , s_P , and s_C are ± 1 phase factors, σ_μ is $+1$ when $\mu = 0$ (timelike) and -1 when $\mu = 1, 2, 3$ (spacelike), and no summation is implied here over the repeated indices μ_i . The phase factors s_H , s_P , and s_C in the case of bilinears $O = \bar{\psi} \Gamma \psi$, where Γ is one of the elements of the Clifford algebra, are listed in Table IX. When an operator also includes the Levi-Civita tensor $\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$ as in $\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} O_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$, then $\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} O_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \xrightarrow{P} -s_P \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} O_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$ because the Lorentz indices μ , ν , ρ , and σ must be all different, and hence $\epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$ may be considered odd under parity.

In reference to combinations of pion fields, one has under parity

$$u \xrightarrow{P} u^\dagger, \quad u_\mu \xrightarrow{P} -\sigma_\mu u_\mu,$$

and

$$F_{\mu\nu}^R \xleftrightarrow{P} F_{\mu\nu}^L, \quad X_L^a \xleftrightarrow{P} X_R^a, \quad \chi \xrightarrow{P} \chi^\dagger,$$

and under charge conjugation

$$u \xrightarrow{C} u^T, \quad u_\mu \xrightarrow{C} u_\mu^T, \quad (\text{B4})$$

$$X_L^2 \xrightarrow{C} -(X_R^2)^T, \quad X_R^2 \xrightarrow{C} -(X_L^2)^T, \quad (\text{B5})$$

$$X_L^{1,3} \xrightarrow{C} (X_R^{1,3})^T, \quad X_R^{1,3} \xrightarrow{C} (X_L^{1,3})^T, \quad (\text{B6})$$

because $(\tau_2)^T = -\tau_2$. The transformation properties of other pion related quantities are summarized in Table X. When considering terms involving O and the covariant derivative D_μ , it is convenient to introduce the combinations

$$\{D_\mu, O\} = D_\mu O + O D_\mu, \quad [D_\mu, O] = D_\mu O - O D_\mu, \quad (\text{B7})$$

TABLE X. Transformation properties of the quantities u_μ , Γ_μ , $\{D_\mu, \dots\}$, $[D_\mu, \dots]$, and $X_\pm^a = X_L^a \pm X_R^a$ under Hermitian conjugation (H), parity (P), and charge conjugation (C).

	u_μ	Γ_μ	$\{D_\mu, \dots\}$	$[D_\mu, \dots]$	X_+^a	X_-^a
s_H	+	-	-	+	+	+
s_P	-	+	+	+	+	-
s_C	+	-	-	+	$(-)^{a+1}$	$-(-)^{a+1}$

TABLE XI. Transformation properties of the quantities χ_{\pm} and $F_{\pm}^{\mu\nu}$ under Hermitian conjugation (H), parity (P), and charge conjugation (C).

	χ_+	χ_-	$F_+^{\mu\nu}$	$F_-^{\mu\nu}$
s_H	+	-	+	+
s_P	+	-	+	-
s_C	+	+	-	+

and determine how $\{D_{\mu}, \dots\}$ and $[D_{\mu}, \dots]$ transform under Hermitian conjugation, P , and C independently of O , as in Table X. In particular, C -even terms must have an even (odd) number of nested anticommutator terms like $\{D_{\mu_1}, \{D_{\mu_2}, \dots \{D_{\mu_n}, O\} \dots\}$, when the field combination O is C -even (C -odd).

Finally, the transformation properties of quantities related to external fields are reported in Table XI. Note that the “external” quantities r_{μ} , ℓ_{μ} , and χ are considered to transform under C as

$$r_{\mu} \xrightarrow{C} -\ell_{\mu}^T, \quad \ell_{\mu} \xrightarrow{C} -r_{\mu}^T, \quad \chi \xrightarrow{C} \chi^T. \quad (\text{B8})$$

APPENDIX C: INDEPENDENT PV INTERACTION TERMS OF ORDER Q^2

In this Appendix we discuss in detail the selection of independent PV π - N interaction terms of order Q^2 . The transformation properties of various quantities under Hermitian conjugation (H), parity (P), and charge conjugation (C) are given in Appendix B. The following power counting is assumed

$$u_{\mu} \sim Q, \quad F_{\mu\nu}^{\pm} \sim Q^2, \quad \chi_{\pm} \sim Q^2. \quad (\text{C1})$$

The covariant derivative D_{μ} is taken as of order Q , except when it acts on a nucleon field, in which case it is of order Q^0 owing to the presence of the heavy mass scale.

The (independent) isoscalar ($\Delta I = 0$), isovector ($\Delta I = 1$), and isotensor ($\Delta I = 2$) interaction terms are constructed in the next three subsections. In each case, we begin our analysis by considering quantities constructed first with χ_{\pm} or $F_{\mu\nu}^{\pm}$ (already of order Q^2), then with products $u_{\mu}u_{\nu}$ (again of order Q^2), and last with a single u_{μ} . For the sake of clarity, a summary of properties of γ matrices used below is reported in Appendix D.

1. The $\Delta I = 0$ sector

(1) *Terms with χ_{\pm} or $F_{\pm}^{\mu\nu}$.* These are already of order Q^2 , so the simplest P -odd and C -odd quantity is $\bar{\psi} F_{\mu\nu}^{\pm} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi$, listed as $O_2^{(0)}$ in Eq. (2.32). Additional terms must involve $\bar{\psi} \{D_{\mu}, \dots\} \psi$; otherwise, the four-gradient acting on a pion field would bring in an extra factor of Q . The P -odd and C -odd quantities are

$$\begin{aligned} & \bar{\psi} i \{D_{\mu}, \chi_+\} \gamma^{\mu} \gamma^5 \psi, \\ & \bar{\psi} i \{D_{\mu}, F_{\nu\alpha}^+\} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \gamma_{\beta} \psi, \\ & \bar{\psi} i \{D_{\mu}, F_{\nu\alpha}^-\} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \gamma_{\beta} \gamma^5 \psi, \end{aligned}$$

which, however, turn out to be at least of order Q^3 . For example, using the EOM in the first combination, we have

$$\bar{\psi} \{D_{\mu}, \chi_+\} \gamma^{\mu} \gamma^5 \psi = \bar{\psi} (\not{D} \chi_+ \gamma^5 - \chi_+ \gamma^5 \not{D}) \psi \sim Q^3. \quad (\text{C2})$$

The last two combinations can be reduced similarly via the relations given in Appendix E (these too are derived from the EOM). Terms with additional D_{μ} 's do not contribute.

(2) *Terms with u_{μ} and u_{ν} .* These are of order Q^2 too. The simplest combinations involve $\{u_{\mu}, u_{\nu}\}$ and $[u_{\mu}, u_{\nu}]$, which are both even under P ; under C , however, the first is even and the second is odd. The only possibilities are

$$\bar{\psi} \{u_{\mu}, u_{\nu}\} \sigma_{\alpha\beta} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \psi, \quad \bar{\psi} [u_{\mu}, u_{\nu}] g^{\mu\nu} i \gamma^5 \psi, \quad (\text{C3})$$

but they vanish identically. Terms with a D_{μ} can again enter only as $\bar{\psi} \{D_{\mu}, \dots\} \psi$, and the only possible combinations are

$$\begin{aligned} & \bar{\psi} i \{D_{\alpha}, \{u_{\mu}, u_{\nu}\}\} g^{\mu\nu} \gamma^{\alpha} \gamma^5 \psi, \\ & \bar{\psi} i \{D_{\alpha}, \{u_{\mu}, u_{\nu}\}\} g^{\alpha\mu} \gamma^{\nu} \gamma^5 \psi, \\ & \bar{\psi} i \{D_{\alpha}, i[u_{\mu}, u_{\nu}]\} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \gamma_{\beta} \psi. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C4})$$

However, the first and third terms are of order $\mathcal{O}(Q^3)$, as can be seen using the relations (E1) and (E5). In the second term, use of the Cayley-Hamilton relation in isospin space ($\{u_{\nu}, u_{\alpha}\} = \langle u_{\nu} u_{\alpha} \rangle$) allows one to express it as $\bar{\psi} \{D^{\mu}, \langle u_{\mu} u_{\nu} \rangle\} \gamma^{\nu} \gamma^5 \psi$, listed as $O_1^{(0)}$ in Eq. (2.31). It can be shown that possible terms with two covariant derivatives would be at least of order Q^3 .

(3) *Terms with a single u_{μ} plus one or more D^{μ} 's.* With a single D^{μ} we can form the combinations $\bar{\psi} \{D^{\mu}, u_{\mu}\} \psi$ and $\bar{\psi} [D_{\mu}, u_{\nu}] \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi$. Using the EOM up to order Q —see Eq. (2.21)—the first expression can be reduced to a combination of $O_{0V}^{(0)}$ and $O_2^{(0)}$ (defined in Sec. II A) by ignoring terms of order Q^3 . The second expression is seen to be identical to $2 O_2^{(0)}$ via Eq. (2.24). Terms with two or more D^{μ} 's can be reduced using the EOM. In general, each $i \not{D} \psi$ gives a term $M \psi$ plus terms of order Q proportional to ψ . Terms with the nucleon mass are found to be proportional to those without covariant derivatives, which have already been accounted for, while terms with the additional u_{μ} have been considered above. Therefore, at order Q^2 , no new (independent) terms with a single u_{μ} and one or more D^{μ} 's appear.

2. The $\Delta I = 1$ sector

(1) *Terms with χ_{\pm} or $F_{\mu\nu}^{\pm}$.* We can combine these quantities with X_{\pm}^3 to form the following P -odd and C -odd combinations

$$\begin{aligned} & \bar{\psi} \{\chi_+, X_-^3\} \psi, \quad \bar{\psi} [\chi_-, X_+^3] \psi, \\ & \bar{\psi} i [F_+^{\mu\nu}, X_+^3] \sigma^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \psi, \quad \bar{\psi} \{F_+^{\mu\nu}, X_-^3\} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \psi, \\ & \bar{\psi} \{F_-^{\mu\nu}, X_+^3\} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \psi, \quad \bar{\psi} i [F_-^{\mu\nu}, X_-^3] \sigma^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \psi. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C5})$$

As per the isospin structure, for each of these terms one needs to consider the following possibilities:

$$\begin{aligned} & \bar{\psi}_t A_{t't''} B_{t't''} \psi_{t''}, \quad \bar{\psi}_t A_{t't''} B_{t''t''} \psi_{t''}, \quad \bar{\psi}_t A_{t't''} B_{t''t''} \psi_{t''}, \\ & \bar{\psi}_t A_{t't''} B_{t''t''} \psi_t, \quad \bar{\psi}_t A_{t't''} B_{t''t''} \psi_t, \end{aligned}$$

where A and B denote schematically the various pairs of isospin matrices corresponding to $\chi_+ X_-^3$ (or $X_-^3 \chi_+$) and so on. Obviously, if both A and B are traceless, only the first and the fourth are nonvanishing. Recall that $\langle u_\mu \rangle = \langle X_\pm^\alpha \rangle = \langle \chi_- \rangle = \langle F_{\mu\nu}^\alpha \rangle = 0$. The other quantities (χ_+ , $F_{\mu\nu}^\pm$, and D_μ) are conveniently written as $A = \hat{A} + \langle A \rangle I/2$ with \hat{A} traceless. A number of manipulations allow one to express the terms in Eq. (C5) as the eight combinations $O_{1-3}^{(1)}$ and $O_{14-18}^{(1)}$ listed in Sec. II B. Combinations of χ_\pm or $F_{\mu\nu}^\pm$ with one or more D_α 's (in the form $\{D_\alpha, \dots\}$) can be eliminated using the EOM. For the terms with $F_{\mu\nu}^\pm$ it is necessary to use the relations reported in Appendix E.

(2) *Terms with u_μ and u_ν and no D_μ .* Combined with a X_\pm^3 we can form the quantities

$$u_\mu u_\nu X, \quad u_\mu X u_\nu, \quad X u_\mu u_\nu, \quad (\text{C6})$$

plus exchanges $\mu \longleftrightarrow \nu$; i.e., we can form six independent quantities. To have definite transformations under H , P , and C , we consider the following combinations:

$$\begin{aligned} Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(1)} &= \{X_\pm^3, \{u_\mu, u_\nu\}\}, \\ Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(2)} &= \{X_\pm^3, i[u_\mu, u_\nu]\}, \\ Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(3)} &= i[X_\pm^3, \{u_\mu, u_\nu\}], \\ Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(4)} &= [X_\pm^3, [u_\mu, u_\nu]], \\ Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(5)} &= u_\mu X_\pm^3 u_\nu + u_\nu X_\pm^3 u_\mu, \\ Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(6)} &= i(u_\mu X_\pm^3 u_\nu - u_\nu X_\pm^3 u_\mu). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C7})$$

The properties under P and C of the $Y^{(n)}$'s are summarized in Table XII. However, $Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(3)} = 0$ because of the Cayley-Hamilton relation $\{u_\mu, u_\nu\} = \langle u_\mu u_\nu \rangle$. Similarly, $Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(6)}$ is proportional to $Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(2)}$, because $uX = (\{u, X\} + [u, X])/2$ and, hence,

$$u_\mu X u_\nu - u_\nu X u_\mu = \frac{1}{2} \langle X[u_\nu, u_\mu] \rangle, \quad (\text{C8})$$

where we have used the relation $\{u_\mu, u_\nu\}X = \langle u_\mu u_\nu \rangle X = X \langle u_\mu u_\nu \rangle$, and so on. Therefore, we do not consider $Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(3)}$ and $Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(6)}$ in the following analysis. Because the pairs $Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(1)}$, $Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(5)}$ and $Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(2)}$, $Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(4)}$ are, respectively, symmetric and antisymmetric under the exchange $\mu \longleftrightarrow \nu$, the only allowed

TABLE XII. Transformation properties under Hermitian conjugation (H), parity P , and charge conjugation C of the quantities $Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(i)}$ defined in the text.

	$Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(1)}$	$Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(2)}$	$Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(3)}$	$Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(4)}$	$Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(5)}$	$Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(6)}$
S_H	+	+	+	+	+	+
S_P	+	+	+	+	+	+
S_C	+	-	-	+	+	-
	$Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(1)}$	$Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(2)}$	$Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(3)}$	$Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(4)}$	$Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(5)}$	$Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(6)}$
S_H	+	+	+	+	+	+
S_P	-	-	-	-	-	-
S_C	-	+	+	-	-	+

combinations are

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\psi} Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(4)} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \sigma_{\alpha\beta} \psi, \quad \bar{\psi} Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(1)} g^{\mu\nu} \psi, \\ \bar{\psi} Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(2)} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi, \quad \bar{\psi} Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(5)} g^{\mu\nu} \psi. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C9})$$

In reference to isospin, we can again form different structures depending how we contract the isospin indices. However, by taking into account that X_\pm^3 and u_μ are traceless, we obtain the four combinations $O_{4-7}^{(1)}$ listed in Sec. II B.

(3) *Terms with u_μ and u_ν , and with a single D_μ .* Because $u_\mu u_\nu$ is already of order Q^2 , we can consider only combinations like $\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(i)}\} \psi$. The three Lorentz indices must be contracted with

$$g^{\mu\nu} \gamma^\alpha, \quad g^{\mu\nu} \gamma^\alpha \gamma^5, \quad \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \gamma_\beta, \quad \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \gamma_\beta \gamma^5. \quad (\text{C10})$$

The P - and C -allowed combinations are as follows:

- (i) $\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(1)}\} g^{\mu\nu} \gamma^\alpha \gamma^5 \psi$ or $\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(1)}\} g^{\mu\alpha} \gamma^\nu \gamma^5 \psi$. The first combination is of order Q^3 , as can be seen from Eq. (E1), while the second gives $O_8^{(1)}$ in Sec. II B.
- (ii) $\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(2)}\} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \gamma_\beta \psi$. From Eq. (E5) we see that it is of order Q^3 . This also follows from the fact that β must be 0 (otherwise $\bar{\psi} \gamma_i \psi \sim Q$) and, hence, because α must be spacelike, $D_i \psi \sim Q$.
- (iii) $\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(4)}\} g^{\mu\nu} \gamma^\alpha \gamma^5 \psi$ or $\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(4)}\} g^{\mu\alpha} \gamma^\nu \gamma^5 \psi$. Because $Y_{+, \nu\mu}^{(4)} = -Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(4)}$, the first combination vanishes, while, using Eq. (E2), the second can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(4)}\} g^{\mu\nu} \gamma^\alpha \gamma^5 \psi \\ = -\frac{i}{2} M \bar{\psi} Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(4)} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \sigma_{\alpha\beta} \psi + \dots, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C11})$$

ignoring terms of order Q^3 , and therefore has already been accounted for above.

- (iv) $\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(5)}\} g^{\mu\nu} \gamma^\alpha \gamma^5 \psi$ or $\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(5)}\} g^{\mu\alpha} \gamma^\nu \gamma^5 \psi$. As for $Y_{+, \mu\nu}^{(1)}$, the first combination is of order Q^3 , while the second gives $O_9^{(1)}$ in Sec. II B.
- (v) $\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(1)}\} g^{\mu\nu} \gamma^\alpha \psi$ or $\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(1)}\} g^{\mu\alpha} \gamma^\nu \psi$. The first combination is of order Q^3 [see Eq. (E3)], while the second gives $O_{10}^{(1)}$ in Sec. II B.
- (vi) $\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(2)}\} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \gamma_\beta \gamma^5 \psi$. Using Eq. (E6), this combination is proportional to $\bar{\psi} Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(2)} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi$ ignoring terms of order Q^3 and hence has already been considered.
- (vii) $\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(4)}\} g^{\mu\nu} \gamma^\alpha \psi$ or $\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(4)}\} g^{\mu\alpha} \gamma^\nu \psi$. Because $Y_{-, \nu\mu}^{(4)} = -Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(4)}$, both terms are of order Q^3 ; see Eqs. (E3) and (E4).
- (viii) $\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(5)}\} g^{\mu\nu} \gamma^\alpha \psi$ or $\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(5)}\} g^{\mu\alpha} \gamma^\nu \psi$. As for $Y_{-, \mu\nu}^{(1)}$, the first combination is of order Q^3 , while the second gives $O_{11}^{(1)}$ in Sec. II B.

As far as the isospin structure of these combinations is concerned, they consist of products of four 2×2 matrices in the isospin space. Their isospin indices can be contracted in many different ways. However, all matrices (except D_μ)

TABLE XIII. Transformation properties under Hermitian conjugation (H), parity (P), and charge conjugation (C) of quantities constructed in terms of $h_{\mu\nu}$.

	$\{h_{\mu\nu}, X_+^3\}$	$i[h_{\mu\nu}, X_+^3]$	$\{h_{\mu\nu}, X_-^3\}$	$i[h_{\mu\nu}, X_-^3]$
s_H	+	+	+	+
s_P	-	-	+	+
s_C	+	-	-	+

are traceless and simplifications can be made via the Cayley-Hamilton relation. For example, the isospin structure of a term like $\bar{\psi}DX\{u_\mu, u_\nu\}\psi$ leads to

$$\bar{\psi}_t D_{t't''} X_{t't''} \psi_{t''} \langle u_\mu u_\nu \rangle \text{ and } \bar{\psi}_t D_{t't''} \psi_{t''} \langle X\{u_\mu, u_\nu\} \rangle, \quad (C12)$$

but in the second combination $\{u_\mu, u_\nu\}$ is proportional to the identity matrix (in isospin space) and, hence, $\langle X\{u_\mu, u_\nu\} \rangle = \langle X \rangle \langle \{u_\mu, u_\nu\} \rangle = 0$. Combinations which do not include $\{u_\mu, u_\nu\}$ are more complicated, because there are many ways to contract the isospin indices. In the following, we do not explicitly write all possible combinations, but just report the simplest one. When using these operators to construct interaction vertices by expanding in powers of the pion field, all allowed possibilities should be considered. In summary, only four combinations, those with $Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(1)}$ and $Y_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(5)}$, are found to be independent, and give the interaction terms $O_{8-11}^{(1)}$ listed in Sec II B. Additional terms with two or more covariant derivatives do not give additional independent terms.

(4) *Terms with a single u_μ and one or more D_μ 's.* First consider terms with the anticommutator of the type $\bar{\psi}\{D_\mu, \{X_\pm^3, u_\nu\}\} \dots \psi$, which involve a D_μ acting on the nucleon fields $\bar{\psi}$ or ψ . These terms can always be reduced via the EOM to one of the terms of order Q given in Eqs. (2.34) and (2.35) plus a term $\sim u_\mu u_\nu$, already considered in points (2) and (3) above. Next, we consider terms with the commutator of type $[D_\mu, X_{L/R}^3]$ or $[D_\mu, u_\nu]$. As discussed in the main text (see also Appendix A), combinations of D_μ with $X_{L/R}^a$ must be included via $(X_{L/R}^a)_\mu$ defined in Eqs. (2.27) and (2.28). However, by using the identities (2.29), combinations with a single u_μ and a $(X_{R/L}^a)_\nu$ reduce to terms $\propto u_\mu u_\nu X_{R/L}^a$, already discussed in points (2) and (3) above. Turning our attention to terms including a commutator $[D_\mu, u_\nu]$, we note that, because $[D_\mu, u_\nu] - [D_\nu, u_\mu] = F_{\mu\nu}^-$ and we have already discussed the operators that can be constructed with $F_{\mu\nu}^-$ in point (1) above, we only need to consider operators involving $h_{\mu\nu}$, as defined in Eq. (2.25), which is odd under P and even under C . In combination with X_\pm^3 we can form the four operators listed in Table XIII, along with their transformation properties under P and C . Note that $h_{\mu\nu}$ is of order $\mathcal{O}(Q^2)$. Because $h_{\mu\nu} = h_{\nu\mu}$, without any additional covariant derivatives we can construct the terms

$$\bar{\psi} i [h_{\mu\nu}, X_+^3] g^{\mu\nu} \psi, \quad \bar{\psi} \{h_{\mu\nu}, X_-^3\} g^{\mu\nu} \gamma^5 \psi. \quad (C13)$$

However, using the pion EOM in Eq. (2.22), these terms are the same, up to additional terms of order $\mathcal{O}(Q^4)$, as those constructed with χ_- [see point (1) above]. Operators with $h_{\mu\nu}$ and an additional covariant derivative enter only in

combinations with $\{D_\mu, \dots\}$. Possible ones are

$$\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, i [h_{\mu\nu}, X_+^3]\} g^{\alpha\mu} \gamma^\nu \psi,$$

$$\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, i [h_{\mu\nu}, X_-^3]\} g^{\alpha\mu} \gamma^\nu \gamma^5 \psi,$$

where we have excluded terms like $h_{\mu\nu} g^{\mu\nu} = i\hat{\chi}_- + \mathcal{O}(Q^4)$. They give the operators $O_{12-13}^{(1)}$ in Sec. II B.

3. The $\Delta I = 2$ sector

The $\Delta I = 2$ operators have to be constructed as combinations $\mathcal{I}^{ab}(X_R^a O X_R^b \pm X_L^a O X_L^b)$, with O transforming under chiral transformations as $O \rightarrow h O h^\dagger$. At order Q^2 we have the following.

(1) *Terms with χ_\pm or $F_{\mu\nu}^\pm$.* We can form the following P -odd and C -odd combinations:

$$\mathcal{I}_{ab} \bar{\psi} (X_R^a \chi_+ X_R^b - X_L^a \chi_+ X_L^b) \psi,$$

$$\mathcal{I}_{ab} \bar{\psi} (X_R^a \chi_- X_R^b - X_L^a \chi_- X_L^b) i \gamma^5 \psi,$$

$$\mathcal{I}_{ab} \bar{\psi} (X_R^a F_+^{\mu\nu} X_R^b - X_L^a F_+^{\mu\nu} X_L^b) \sigma_{\mu\nu} \psi,$$

$$\mathcal{I}_{ab} \bar{\psi} (X_R^a F_-^{\mu\nu} X_R^b + X_L^a F_-^{\mu\nu} X_L^b) \sigma_{\mu\nu} \psi.$$

The second combination is of order Q^3 , while the remaining three are the operators $O_1^{(2)}$ and $O_{7-8}^{(2)}$ reported in Sec. II C. As for the $\Delta I = 1$ case, combinations of χ_\pm or $F_{\mu\nu}^\pm$ with one or more operators D_α (in the form $\{D_\alpha, \dots\}$) can be eliminated using the EOM. For the terms with $F_{\mu\nu}^\pm$ it is necessary to use the relations reported in Appendix E.

(2) *Terms with u_μ and u_ν and no D_μ .* We can have the combinations $X u u X$ or $u X u X \pm X u X u$. We observe that under P and C ,

$$X_R^a u_\mu u_\nu X_R^a \xrightarrow{P} X_L^a u_\mu u_\nu X_L^a, \quad (C14)$$

$$X_R^a u_\mu u_\nu X_R^a \xrightarrow{C} (X_L^a u_\nu u_\mu X_L^a)^T, \quad (C15)$$

and

$$u_\mu X_R^a u_\nu X_R^a \xrightarrow{P} u_\mu X_L^a u_\nu X_L^a, \quad (C16)$$

$$u_\mu X_R^a u_\nu X_R^a \xrightarrow{C} (X_L^a u_\nu X_L^a u_\mu)^T, \quad (C17)$$

and therefore we consider the combinations

$$\bar{Y}_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(1)} = \mathcal{I}_{ab} (u_\mu X_R^a u_\nu X_R^b + X_R^a u_\nu X_R^b u_\mu + u_\nu X_R^a u_\mu X_R^b + X_R^a u_\mu X_R^b u_\nu) \pm (R \rightarrow L), \quad (C18)$$

$$\bar{Y}_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(2)} = \mathcal{I}_{ab} (u_\mu X_R^a u_\nu X_R^b + X_R^a u_\nu X_R^b u_\mu - u_\nu X_R^a u_\mu X_R^b - X_R^a u_\mu X_R^b u_\nu) \pm (R \rightarrow L), \quad (C19)$$

$$\bar{Y}_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(3)} = i \mathcal{I}_{ab} (u_\mu X_R^a u_\nu X_R^b - X_R^a u_\nu X_R^b u_\mu + u_\nu X_R^a u_\mu X_R^b - X_R^a u_\mu X_R^b u_\nu) \pm (R \rightarrow L), \quad (C20)$$

$$\bar{Y}_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(4)} = i \mathcal{I}_{ab} (u_\mu X_R^a u_\nu X_R^b - X_R^a u_\nu X_R^b u_\mu - u_\nu X_R^a u_\mu X_R^b + X_R^a u_\mu X_R^b u_\nu) \pm (R \rightarrow L), \quad (C21)$$

$$\bar{Y}_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(5)} = \mathcal{I}_{ab} X_R^a \{u_\mu, u_\nu\} X_R^b \pm (R \rightarrow L), \quad (C22)$$

$$\bar{Y}_{\pm, \mu\nu}^{(6)} = i \mathcal{I}_{ab} X_R^a [u_\mu, u_\nu] X_R^b \pm (R \rightarrow L), \quad (C23)$$

TABLE XIV. Transformation properties under Hermitian conjugation (H), parity (P), and charge conjugation (C) of the quantities $\bar{Y}_{\pm,\mu\nu}^{(i)}$ defined in the text.

	$\bar{Y}_{+,\mu\nu}^{(1)}$	$\bar{Y}_{+,\mu\nu}^{(2)}$	$\bar{Y}_{+,\mu\nu}^{(3)}$	$\bar{Y}_{+,\mu\nu}^{(4)}$	$\bar{Y}_{+,\mu\nu}^{(5)}$	$\bar{Y}_{+,\mu\nu}^{(6)}$
s_H	+	+	+	+	+	+
s_P	+	+	+	+	+	+
s_C	+	+	-	-	+	-
	$\bar{Y}_{-,\mu\nu}^{(1)}$	$\bar{Y}_{-,\mu\nu}^{(2)}$	$\bar{Y}_{-,\mu\nu}^{(3)}$	$\bar{Y}_{-,\mu\nu}^{(4)}$	$\bar{Y}_{-,\mu\nu}^{(5)}$	$\bar{Y}_{-,\mu\nu}^{(6)}$
s_H	+	+	+	+	+	+
s_P	-	-	-	-	-	-
s_C	-	-	+	+	-	+

with the transformation properties under P and C summarized in Table XIV. We further note that

$$u_\mu X u_\nu X + X u_\nu X u_\mu = \frac{1}{2}\{u_\mu, X\}\{u_\nu, X\} + \frac{1}{4}[u_\mu, X][u_\nu, X] + \frac{1}{4}[u_\nu, X][u_\mu, X],$$

where use has been made of the identity $\{u_\mu, X\}[u_\nu, X] + [X, u_\nu]\{X, u_\mu\} = 0$ which follows from the Cayley-Hamilton relation $\{u_\mu, X\} = \langle u_\mu X$ and the fact that $\langle u_\mu X$ commutes with $[u_\nu, X]$. The final expression is symmetric under the exchange $\mu \longleftrightarrow \nu$ and, hence, $\bar{Y}_{\pm,\mu\nu}^{(2)} = 0$. Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{Y}_{\pm,\mu\nu}^{(5)} &= \mathcal{I}_{ab}[X_R^a(u_\mu u_\nu)X_R^b \pm (L \longrightarrow R)] \\ &= \mathcal{I}_{ab}[X_R^a X_R^b \pm (L \longrightarrow R)]\langle u_\mu u_\nu \rangle = 0, \end{aligned}$$

and the combinations $\bar{Y}_{\pm,\mu\nu}^{(2)}$ and $\bar{Y}_{\pm,\mu\nu}^{(5)}$ can be disregarded in the analysis that follows. By taking into account that the pairs $\bar{Y}_{\pm,\mu\nu}^{(1)}$, $\bar{Y}_{\pm,\mu\nu}^{(3)}$ and $\bar{Y}_{\pm,\mu\nu}^{(4)}$, $\bar{Y}_{\pm,\mu\nu}^{(6)}$ are, respectively, symmetric and antisymmetric under the exchange $\mu \longleftrightarrow \nu$, the possible combinations are

$$\bar{\psi}\bar{Y}_{-,\mu\nu}^{(1)}g^{\mu\nu}\psi, \quad \bar{\psi}\bar{Y}_{-,\mu\nu}^{(4)}\sigma^{\mu\nu}\psi, \quad \bar{\psi}\bar{Y}_{-,\mu\nu}^{(6)}\sigma^{\mu\nu}\psi.$$

Note that allowed terms such as $\bar{\psi}Y_{+,\mu\nu}^{(3)}g^{\mu\nu}i\gamma^5\psi$ are of order Q^3 . As per isospin, we can again form different structures depending on how the isospin indices are contracted. However, because the $X_{L/R}$ and u_μ are traceless, we arrive at the three operators $O_{2-4}^{(2)}$ listed in Sec. IIC.

(3) *Terms with u_μ and u_ν and a single D_μ .* Because $u_\mu u_\nu$ is already of order Q^2 , we need consider only combinations like $\bar{\psi}\{D_\mu, \bar{Y}_{\pm,\nu\alpha}^{(i)}\}\psi$. These quantities have three Lorentz indices, which must be contracted with the operators given in Eq. (C10). Typical combinations are $\bar{\psi}\{D_\alpha, \bar{Y}_{\mu\nu}\}g^{\mu\nu}\gamma^\alpha\gamma^5\psi$ or $\bar{\psi}\{D_\alpha, \bar{Y}_{\mu\nu}\}g^{\alpha\mu}\gamma^\nu\gamma^5\psi$, where $\bar{Y}_{\mu\nu}$ may be one of the operators defined in Eqs. (C18)–(C23). The various terms can then be reduced by using the relations given in Eqs. (E1)–(E6). We can construct the following P -odd and C -odd quantities.

- (i) $\bar{\psi}\{D_\alpha, \bar{Y}_{+,\mu\nu}^{(1)}\}g^{\mu\nu}\gamma^\alpha\gamma^5\psi$ or $\bar{\psi}\{D_\alpha, \bar{Y}_{+,\mu\nu}^{(1)}\}g^{\alpha\mu}\gamma^\nu\gamma^5\psi$. The first combination is seen to be of order Q^3 , while the second gives the operator $O_5^{(2)}$ listed in Sec. IIC.

- (ii) $\bar{\psi}\{D_\alpha, \bar{Y}_{+,\mu\nu}^{(3)}\}\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\gamma_\beta\psi$ or $\bar{\psi}\{D_\alpha, \bar{Y}_{-,\mu\nu}^{(3)}\}\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\gamma_\beta\gamma^5\psi$. These combinations vanish because $\bar{Y}_{\pm,\mu\nu}^{(3)}$ is symmetric in the indices $\mu\nu$.
- (iii) $\bar{\psi}\{D_\alpha, \bar{Y}_{+,\mu\nu}^{(4)}\}\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\gamma_\beta\psi$ or $\bar{\psi}\{D_\alpha, \bar{Y}_{+,\mu\nu}^{(6)}\}\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\gamma_\beta\psi$. These combinations are at least of order Q^3 .
- (iv) $\bar{\psi}\{D_\alpha, \bar{Y}_{-,\mu\nu}^{(1)}\}g^{\mu\nu}\gamma^\alpha\psi$ or $\bar{\psi}\{D_\alpha, \bar{Y}_{-,\mu\nu}^{(1)}\}g^{\alpha\mu}\gamma^\nu\psi$. Using Eq. (E3) and ignoring terms of order Q^3 , the first combination reduces to $-2iMO_2^{(2)}$, while the second gives the operator $O_6^{(2)}$ of Sec. IIC.
- (v) $\bar{\psi}\{D_\alpha, \bar{Y}_{-,\mu\nu}^{(4)}\}\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\gamma_\beta\gamma^5\psi$. Using Eq. (E6) and ignoring terms of order Q^3 , this combination reduces to $2iM\bar{\psi}\bar{Y}_{-,\mu\nu}^{(4)}\sigma^{\mu\nu} = 2iMO_3^{(2)}$.
- (vi) $\bar{\psi}\{D_\alpha, \bar{Y}_{-,\mu\nu}^{(6)}\}\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\gamma_\beta\gamma^5\psi$. As for $\bar{Y}_{-,\mu\nu}^{(4)}$, this combination can be disregarded.

(4) *Terms with a single u_μ and one or more D_μ 's.* First, we consider combinations with the anticommutator like $\bar{\psi}\mathcal{I}_{ab}\{D_\mu, X_R^a u_\nu X_R^b \pm (R \longrightarrow L)\}\cdots\psi$, namely with D_μ acting on the nucleon fields $\bar{\psi}$ or ψ . Using the EOM, these can always be reduced to (i) one of the order Q terms given in Eqs. (2.54) and (2.55), (ii) terms involving $u_\mu u_\nu$ which have already been considered at points (2) and (3) above, and (iii) terms with the commutator of D_μ , as shown below. For example, for

$$O_v = \mathcal{I}_{ab}(X_R^a u_\nu X_R^b + X_L^a u_\nu X_L^b), \quad (C24)$$

$$\bar{O}_v = \mathcal{I}_{ab}(X_R^a u_\nu X_R^b - X_L^a u_\nu X_L^b), \quad (C25)$$

we have, respectively,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\psi}\{D_\mu, O_v\}g^{\mu\nu}\psi &= -2iMO_{2V}^{(2)} + \bar{\psi}[D_\mu, O_v]i\sigma^{\mu\nu}\psi + (\text{terms with } u_\mu, u_\nu), \\ \bar{\psi}\{D_\mu, \bar{O}_v\}\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\sigma_{\alpha\beta}\psi &= 4iMO_{2A}^{(2)} - 2\bar{\psi}[D_\mu, \bar{O}_v]\psi + (\text{terms with } u_\mu, u_\nu), \end{aligned}$$

where the operators $O_{2V}^{(2)}$ and $O_{2A}^{(2)}$ are given in Eqs. (2.54) and (2.55), respectively.

Next, we consider the terms with the commutator of type $[D_\mu, X_{L/R}^3]$. As discussed in Appendix A, combinations of D_μ with $X_{L/R}^3$ must be included via $(X_{L/R}^3)_\mu$. However, by using the identities (A2) and (A3), terms with a single u_μ and a $(X_{R/L}^3)_\nu$ are $\propto u_\mu u_\nu X_{R/L}^3$, already discussed at points (2) and (3) above. Turning our attention to terms including a commutator $[D_\mu, u_\nu]$, we note that, because $[D_\mu, u^\mu] = (i/2)\hat{\chi}_- + \mathcal{O}(Q^4)$ and $[D_\mu, u_\nu] - [D_\nu, u_\mu] = F_{\mu\nu}^-$ and we have already discussed the operators that can be constructed with χ_- and $F_{\mu\nu}^-$ in point (1) above, we need only consider operators involving $h_{\mu\nu}$. We can form two combinations:

$$\bar{\psi}\mathcal{I}_{ab}(X_R^a h_{\mu\nu} X_R^b + X_L^a h_{\mu\nu} X_L^b)\sigma^{\mu\nu}\psi, \quad (C26)$$

$$\bar{\psi}\mathcal{I}_{ab}(X_R^a h_{\mu\nu} X_R^b - X_L^a h_{\mu\nu} X_L^b)g^{\mu\nu}i\gamma^5\psi. \quad (C27)$$

They both can be disregarded: The first vanishes because of the symmetry of $h_{\mu\nu}$ and the second is of order Q^3 because of the γ^5 and the fact that $h_{\mu\nu}$ is already of order Q^2 . Combinations with additional D_α 's can only be of the

form $\{D_\alpha, \dots, h_{\mu\nu}, \dots\}$. However, the only P -odd and C -odd combinations that can be formed,

$$\mathcal{I}_{ab} \bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, X_R^a h_{\mu\nu} X_R^b + X_L^a h_{\mu\nu} X_L^b\} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \gamma_\beta \gamma^5 \psi, \quad (\text{C28})$$

$$\mathcal{I}_{ab} \bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, X_R^a h_{\mu\nu} X_R^b - X_L^a h_{\mu\nu} X_L^b\} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \gamma_\beta \psi, \quad (\text{C29})$$

vanish because $h_{\mu\nu} = h_{\nu\mu}$, and therefore there are no $\Delta I = 2$ terms with $h_{\mu\nu}$.

APPENDIX D: PROPERTIES OF THE γ MATRICES

The γ^μ matrices are in the standard form, as given, for example, in Ref. [73]. They satisfy the following identities:

$$\sigma^{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{2} [\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu], \quad (\text{D1})$$

$$\gamma^5 \sigma^{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \sigma_{\alpha\beta}, \quad (\text{D2})$$

$$i \sigma^{\mu\nu} = g^{\mu\nu} - \gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu, \quad (\text{D3})$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \{\sigma^{\mu\nu}, \gamma^\alpha\} = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \gamma^5 \gamma_\beta, \quad (\text{D4})$$

$$\frac{1}{2} [\sigma^{\mu\nu}, \gamma^\alpha] = -i g^{\mu\alpha} \gamma^\nu + i g^{\nu\alpha} \gamma^\mu, \quad (\text{D5})$$

$$\sigma^{\mu\nu} \gamma^\alpha = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \gamma^5 \gamma_\beta - i g^{\mu\alpha} \gamma^\nu + i g^{\nu\alpha} \gamma^\mu, \quad (\text{D6})$$

$$\gamma^\alpha \sigma^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \gamma^5 \gamma_\beta + i g^{\mu\alpha} \gamma^\nu - i g^{\nu\alpha} \gamma^\mu. \quad (\text{D7})$$

APPENDIX E: USEFUL RELATIONS

Let $Y_{\mu\nu}$ be a (pion field dependent) quantity of order Q^2 . Using the EOM and the properties of the γ matrices given in Eqs. (D1)–(D7), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & \bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{\mu\nu}\} g^{\mu\nu} \gamma^\alpha \gamma^5 \psi \\ &= -i M \bar{\psi} (Y_{\mu\nu} g^{\mu\nu} \gamma^5 - Y_{\mu\nu} g^{\mu\nu} \gamma^5) \psi + \mathcal{O}(Q^3) \\ &= \mathcal{O}(Q^3), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{E1})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{\mu\nu}\} g^{\alpha\mu} \gamma^\nu \gamma^5 \psi \\ &= \bar{\psi} [D_\alpha Y_{\mu\nu} (\gamma^\alpha \gamma^\mu + i \sigma^{\alpha\mu}) \gamma^\nu \gamma^5 \\ &+ Y_{\mu\nu} \gamma^\nu \gamma^5 (\gamma^\mu \gamma^\alpha + i \sigma^{\mu\alpha}) D_\alpha] \psi \\ &= -i M \bar{\psi} (Y_{\mu\nu} \gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu \gamma^5 + Y_{\mu\nu} \gamma^\nu \gamma^\mu \gamma^5) \psi + \mathcal{O}(Q^3) \\ &+ i \bar{\psi} (D_\alpha Y_{\mu\nu} \sigma^{\alpha\mu} \gamma^\nu \gamma^5 + Y_{\mu\nu} D_\alpha \gamma^\nu \gamma^5 \sigma^{\mu\alpha}) \psi \\ &= -i M \bar{\psi} Y_{\mu\nu} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \sigma_{\alpha\beta} \psi + \mathcal{O}(Q^3) \\ &- i \bar{\psi} [D_\alpha, Y_{\mu\nu}] \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \gamma_\beta \psi \\ &+ \bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{\nu\mu}\} g^{\alpha\mu} \gamma^\nu \gamma^5 \psi. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{E2})$$

Note that in the last row we obtain the same starting expression, but with $Y_{\nu\mu}$ instead of $Y_{\mu\nu}$ and that $[D_\alpha, Y_{\mu\nu}] \sim \mathcal{O}(Q^3)$, because the four-gradient now acts on the pion field. Similarly, one shows that

$$\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{\mu\nu}\} g^{\mu\nu} \gamma^\alpha \psi = -2i M \bar{\psi} Y_{\mu\nu} g^{\mu\nu} \psi + \mathcal{O}(Q^3), \quad (\text{E3})$$

$$\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{\mu\nu}\} g^{\alpha\mu} \gamma^\nu \psi = \bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{\nu\mu}\} g^{\alpha\mu} \gamma^\nu \psi + \mathcal{O}(Q^3), \quad (\text{E4})$$

$$\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{\mu\nu}\} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \gamma_\beta \psi = \mathcal{O}(Q^3), \quad (\text{E5})$$

$$\bar{\psi} \{D_\alpha, Y_{\mu\nu}\} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \gamma_\beta \gamma^5 \psi = 2i M \bar{\psi} Y_{\mu\nu} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi + \mathcal{O}(Q^3). \quad (\text{E6})$$

APPENDIX F: INTERACTION VERTICES

The various building blocks, u_μ , Γ_μ , and so on, are expanded in powers of the pion field. It is convenient to decompose the interaction Hamiltonian H_I as follows:

$$H_I = H^{00} + H^{01} + H^{10} + H^{02} + H^{11} + H^{20} + \dots, \quad (\text{F1})$$

where H^{nm} has n creation and m annihilation operators for the pion, and

$$H^{00} = \frac{1}{\Omega} \sum_{\alpha'_1 \alpha'_2 \alpha_2} b_{\alpha'_1}^\dagger b_{\alpha_1} b_{\alpha'_2}^\dagger b_{\alpha_2} M_{\alpha'_1 \alpha_1 \alpha'_2 \alpha_2}^{00} \delta_{\mathbf{p}'_1 + \mathbf{p}'_2, \mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{p}_2}, \quad (\text{F2})$$

$$H^{01} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Omega}} \sum_{\alpha' \alpha} b_{\alpha'}^\dagger b_{\alpha} a_{q a} M_{\alpha' \alpha, q a}^{01} \delta_{\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}'}, \quad (\text{F3})$$

$$H^{10} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Omega}} \sum_{\alpha' \alpha} b_{\alpha'}^\dagger b_{\alpha} a_{q a}^\dagger M_{\alpha' \alpha, q a}^{10} \delta_{\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{p}', \mathbf{p}}, \quad (\text{F4})$$

$$H^{02} = \frac{1}{\Omega} \sum_{\alpha' \alpha} \sum_{q' a' q a} b_{\alpha'}^\dagger b_{\alpha} a_{q' a'} a_{q a} M_{\alpha' \alpha, q' a' q a}^{02} \delta_{\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{q}' + \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}'}, \quad (\text{F5})$$

$$H^{11} = \frac{1}{\Omega} \sum_{\alpha' \alpha} \sum_{q' a' q a} b_{\alpha'}^\dagger b_{\alpha} a_{q' a'}^\dagger a_{q a} M_{\alpha' \alpha, q' a' q a}^{11} \delta_{\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}' + \mathbf{p}'}, \quad (\text{F6})$$

$$H^{20} = \frac{1}{\Omega} \sum_{\alpha' \alpha} \sum_{q' a' q a} b_{\alpha'}^\dagger b_{\alpha} a_{q' a'}^\dagger a_{q a}^\dagger M_{\alpha' \alpha, q' a' q a}^{20} \delta_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q} + \mathbf{q}' + \mathbf{p}'}. \quad (\text{F7})$$

Here $\alpha_j \equiv \mathbf{p}_j, s_j, t_j$ denotes the momentum, spin projection, and isospin projection of nucleon j with energy $E_j = \sqrt{p_j^2 + M^2}$, \mathbf{q} and a denote the momentum and isospin projection, respectively, of a pion with energy $\omega_q = \sqrt{q^2 + m_\pi^2}$, and M^{nm} are the vertex functions listed below. The various momenta are discretized by assuming periodic boundary conditions in a box of volume Ω . We note that in the expansion of the nucleon field ψ we have only retained the nucleon degrees of freedom, because antinucleon contributions do not enter the PV NN potential at the order Q of interest here. We also note that, in general, the creation and annihilation operators are not normal ordered. Of course, after normal ordering them, tadpole-type contributions result, which can contribute to transition amplitudes and turn out to be relevant when discussing renormalization issues in Appendix G.

The vertex functions M^{nm} involve bilinears

$$\frac{\bar{u}(\mathbf{p}', s')}{\sqrt{2E_{p'}}} \Gamma \frac{u(\mathbf{p}, s)}{\sqrt{2E_p}} = \chi_{s'}^\dagger B(\Gamma)_{\alpha' \alpha} \chi_s, \quad (\text{F8})$$

where Γ denotes generically an element of the Clifford algebra and $\chi_s, \chi_{s'}$ are spin states. These bilinears are expanded nonrelativistically in powers of momenta, and terms up to order Q^3 are included. We obtain (subscripts are suppressed

for brevity)

$$B(1) = 1 - \frac{F^{(2)}(1)}{4M^2}, \quad (\text{F9})$$

$$B(i\gamma^5) = -\frac{i\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{k}}{2M} + \frac{F^{(3)}(\gamma^5)}{16M^3}, \quad (\text{F10})$$

$$B(\gamma^0) = 1 + \frac{F^{(2)}(\gamma^0)}{4M^2}, \quad (\text{F11})$$

$$\mathbf{B}(\boldsymbol{\gamma}) = \frac{2\mathbf{K} - i\mathbf{k} \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}}{2M} - \frac{\mathbf{G}^{(3)}(\boldsymbol{\gamma})}{16M^3}, \quad (\text{F12})$$

$$B(\gamma^0\gamma^5) = \frac{\mathbf{K} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}}{M} - \frac{F^{(3)}(\gamma^0\gamma^5)}{8M^3}, \quad (\text{F13})$$

$$\mathbf{B}(\boldsymbol{\gamma}\gamma^5) = \boldsymbol{\sigma} + \frac{\mathbf{G}^{(2)}(\boldsymbol{\gamma}\gamma^5)}{4M^2}, \quad (\text{F14})$$

$$\mathbf{B}(\sigma^{0i}) = -\frac{i\mathbf{k} + 2\mathbf{K} \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}}{2M} + \frac{\mathbf{G}^{(3)}(\sigma^{0i})}{16M^3}, \quad (\text{F15})$$

$$B(\sigma^{ij}) = \epsilon_{ijl} \left[\sigma_l - \frac{G_l^{(2)}(\sigma^{ij})}{4M^2} \right], \quad (\text{F16})$$

where $F^{(n)}(\Gamma)$ and $\mathbf{G}^{(n)}(\Gamma)$ are, respectively, scalar and vector quantities of order Q^n , explicitly given by

$$F^{(2)}(1) = 2K^2 + i(\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{K}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \quad (\text{F17})$$

$$F^{(3)}(\gamma^5) = i[\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{k}(4K^2 + k^2) + 4\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{K} \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{K}], \quad (\text{F18})$$

$$F^{(2)}(\gamma^0) = -k^2/2 + i(\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{K}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \quad (\text{F19})$$

$$\mathbf{G}^{(3)}(\boldsymbol{\gamma}) = (2\mathbf{K} - i\mathbf{k} \times \boldsymbol{\sigma})(4K^2 + k^2) + 2(\mathbf{k} - 2i\mathbf{K} \times \boldsymbol{\sigma})\mathbf{K} \cdot \mathbf{k}, \quad (\text{F20})$$

$$F^{(3)}(\gamma^0\gamma^5) = \mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{K} + \mathbf{K} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}(4K^2 + k^2), \quad (\text{F21})$$

$$\mathbf{G}^{(2)}(\boldsymbol{\gamma}\gamma^5) = 2(\mathbf{K} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma})\mathbf{K} - (\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma})\mathbf{k}/2 - 2K^2\boldsymbol{\sigma} - i\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{K}, \quad (\text{F22})$$

$$\mathbf{G}^{(3)}(\sigma^{0i}) = (i\mathbf{k} + 2\mathbf{K} \times \boldsymbol{\sigma})(4K^2 + k^2) + 2(2i\mathbf{K} + \mathbf{k} \times \boldsymbol{\sigma})\mathbf{K} \cdot \mathbf{k}, \quad (\text{F23})$$

$$\mathbf{G}^{(2)}(\sigma^{ij}) = 2(\mathbf{K} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma})\mathbf{K} - (\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma})\mathbf{k}/2 + \boldsymbol{\sigma} k^2/2 - i\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{K}, \quad (\text{F24})$$

with the momenta $\mathbf{K} = (\mathbf{p}' + \mathbf{p})/2$ and $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{p}' - \mathbf{p}$. We also expand K^0 and $K_\mu K^\mu$ as

$$K^0 = \frac{E + E'}{2} \rightarrow M \left(1 + \frac{2K^2 + k^2/2}{4M^2} \right), \quad (\text{F25})$$

$$K_\mu K^\mu = (K^0)^2 - K^2 \rightarrow M^2 \left(1 + \frac{k^2}{4M^2} \right). \quad (\text{F26})$$

The interaction vertices needed for the construction of the PV potential are summarized in Fig. 3. Note that in the power counting of these vertices below, we do not include the $1/\sqrt{\omega_k}$ normalization factors in the pion fields. We obtain the following.

(1) πNN vertices. The LO PC interaction term (of order Q) is

$$H_I^{\pi NN} = \int d^3x \frac{g_A}{2f_\pi} \bar{\psi} \boldsymbol{\gamma}^\mu \boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot \partial_\mu \vec{\pi} \psi, \quad (\text{F27})$$

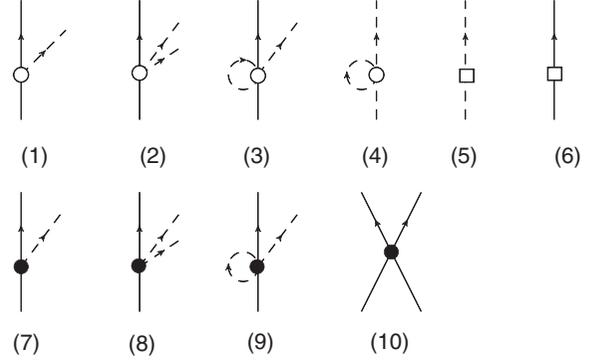


FIG. 3. Vertices entering the PV potential at N2LO. The solid (dashed) lines represent nucleons (pions). The open (solid) symbols denote PC (PV) vertices. In diagrams (3) and (4) the vertices are tadpole contributions from the $3\pi NN$ and 4π interaction Hamiltonians, respectively. The open square on a pion line as in diagram (5) represents a $\pi\pi$ vertex coming from the ℓ_3 and ℓ_4 terms in $\mathcal{L}_{\pi\pi}^{(4)}$ and the δm_π^2 term. The open square on a nucleon line as in diagram (6) represents insertions from the c_1 term in $\mathcal{L}_{\pi N}^{(2)}$ and the δM term.

giving the vertex functions [see Eqs. (F3) and (F4)]

$$\text{PC } M_{\alpha'\alpha,qa}^{01} = -i \frac{g_A}{2f_\pi} \frac{\xi_t^\dagger \tau_a \xi_t}{\sqrt{2\omega_k}} \frac{\bar{u}_{\alpha'}}{\sqrt{2E'}} \not{q} \gamma^5 \frac{u_\alpha}{\sqrt{2E}}, \quad (\text{F28})$$

$$\text{PC } M_{\alpha'\alpha,qa}^{10} = +i \frac{g_A}{2f_\pi} \frac{\xi_t^\dagger \tau_a \xi_t}{\sqrt{2\omega_k}} \frac{\bar{u}_{\alpha'}}{\sqrt{2E'}} \not{q} \gamma^5 \frac{u_\alpha}{\sqrt{2E}}, \quad (\text{F29})$$

where $u_\alpha \equiv u(\mathbf{p}, s)$, etc., and ξ_t, ξ_t^\dagger are isospin states. The NR expansion of these amplitudes is needed up to order Q^2 . Other PC πNN vertices follow from the interactions terms in $\mathcal{L}_{N\pi}^{(3)}$ proportional to the LECs d_{16} and d_{18} . Thus, we find up to order Q^3 (spin-isospin states are suppressed for brevity)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PC } M_{\alpha'\alpha,qa}^{\pi NN,01} &= \frac{g_A}{2f_\pi} \frac{\tau_a}{\sqrt{2\omega_q}} \left[i \mathbf{q} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} - \frac{i}{M} \omega_q \mathbf{K} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{i}{4M^2} \left(2\mathbf{K} \cdot \mathbf{q} \mathbf{K} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} - 2K^2 \mathbf{q} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{k} \right) \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{m_\pi^2}{f_\pi} (2d_{16} - d_{18}) \frac{\tau_a}{\sqrt{2\omega_q}} i \mathbf{q} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{F30})$$

$$\text{PC } M_{\alpha'\alpha,qa}^{\pi NN,10} = -\text{PC } M_{\alpha'\alpha,qa}^{\pi NN,01}. \quad (\text{F31})$$

In diagrams, these PC vertex functions are represented as open circles. The PV πNN vertices are attributable to interaction terms proportional to the LECs $h_\pi^1, h_V^0, h_V^1, h_V^2, h_2^1, h_3^1$, and h_{12}^1 , and read up to order Q^2

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PV } M_{\alpha'\alpha,qa}^{\pi NN,01} &= -\frac{h_\pi^1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\epsilon_{3ab} \tau_b}{\sqrt{2\omega_q}} \left[1 - \frac{2K^2 + i(\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{K}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}}{4M^2} \right] \\ &\quad - \frac{i}{f_\pi} \left(\frac{h_V^0}{2} \tau_a + h_V^1 \delta_{a,3} + \frac{2}{3} h_V^2 \mathcal{I}^{ab} \tau_b \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega_q}} \left(\omega_q - \frac{\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{K}}{M} \right) + \frac{8}{f_\pi^2} \frac{\epsilon_{3ab} \tau_b}{\sqrt{2\omega_q}} \\ & \times \left[(h_2^1 - h_3^1) m_\pi^2 - 2h_{12}^1 \omega_q^2 \right], \quad (\text{F32}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PV } M_{\alpha'\alpha, q'a}^{\pi NN, 10} &= -\frac{h_\pi^1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\epsilon_{3ab} \tau_b}{\sqrt{2\omega_q}} \left[1 - \frac{2K^2 + i(\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{K}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}}{4M^2} \right] \\ & + \frac{i}{f_\pi} \left(\frac{h_V^0}{2} \tau_a + h_V^1 \delta_{a,3} + \frac{2}{3} h_V^2 \mathcal{I}^{ab} \tau_b \right) \\ & \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega_q}} \left(\omega_q - \frac{\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{K}}{M} \right) + \frac{8}{f_\pi^2} \frac{\epsilon_{3ab} \tau_b}{\sqrt{2\omega_q}} \\ & \times \left[(h_2^1 - h_3^1) m_\pi^2 - 2h_{12}^1 \omega_q^2 \right]. \quad (\text{F33}) \end{aligned}$$

(2) $\pi\pi NN$ vertices. The PC interaction is attributable to the Weinberg-Tomozawa term

$$H_I^{\pi\pi NN} = \int d^3x \frac{1}{4f_\pi^2} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \vec{\tau} \cdot (\vec{\pi} \times \partial_\mu \vec{\pi}) \psi, \quad (\text{F34})$$

and in the following only the LO in the NR expansion is needed at the order we are interested in. The corresponding vertex functions read

$$\text{PC } M_{\alpha'\alpha, q'a}^{\pi\pi NN, 02} = \frac{i}{8f_\pi^2} \epsilon_{aa'b} \tau_b \frac{\omega_q - \omega_{q'}}{\sqrt{2\omega_q} \sqrt{2\omega_{q'}}}, \quad (\text{F35})$$

$$\text{PC } M_{\alpha'\alpha, q'a}^{\pi\pi NN, 11} = \frac{i}{4f_\pi^2} \epsilon_{aa'b} \tau_b \frac{\omega_q + \omega_{q'}}{\sqrt{2\omega_q} \sqrt{2\omega_{q'}}}, \quad (\text{F36})$$

$$\text{PC } M_{\alpha'\alpha, q'a}^{\pi\pi NN, 20} = \frac{i}{8f_\pi^2} \epsilon_{aa'b} \tau_b \frac{\omega_{q'} - \omega_q}{\sqrt{2\omega_q} \sqrt{2\omega_{q'}}}, \quad (\text{F37})$$

and tadpole contributions vanish because of the isospin factor $\epsilon_{aa'b}$. The PV vertices follow from the interaction terms proportional to h_A^1 and h_A^2 and are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PV } M_{\alpha'\alpha, q'a}^{\pi\pi NN, 02} &= \frac{i}{2f_\pi^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega_q} \sqrt{2\omega_{q'}}} \left[-h_A^1 \epsilon_{3aa'} (\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{q}') \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \right. \\ & - \frac{1}{3} h_A^2 \epsilon_{aa'b} I^b \tau_b (\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{q}') \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \\ & \left. + \frac{1}{3} h_A^2 \epsilon_{aa'b} \tau_b (I^a \mathbf{q} - I^{a'} \mathbf{q}') \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \right], \quad (\text{F38}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PV } M_{\alpha'\alpha, q'a}^{\pi\pi NN, 11} &= \frac{i}{f_\pi^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega_q} \sqrt{2\omega_{q'}}} \left[-h_A^1 \epsilon_{3aa'} (\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{q}') \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \right. \\ & - \frac{1}{3} h_A^2 \epsilon_{aa'b} I^b \tau_b (\mathbf{q} + \mathbf{q}') \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \\ & \left. + \frac{1}{3} h_A^2 \epsilon_{aa'b} \tau_b (I^a \mathbf{q} + I^{a'} \mathbf{q}') \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \right], \quad (\text{F39}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PV } M_{\alpha'\alpha, q'a}^{\pi\pi NN, 20} &= \frac{i}{2f_\pi^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega_q} \sqrt{2\omega_{q'}}} \left[-h_A^1 \epsilon_{3aa'} (\mathbf{q}' - \mathbf{q}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \right. \\ & - \frac{1}{3} h_A^2 \epsilon_{aa'b} I^b \tau_b (\mathbf{q}' - \mathbf{q}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \\ & \left. + \frac{1}{3} h_A^2 \epsilon_{aa'b} \tau_b (I^{a'} \mathbf{q}' - I^a \mathbf{q}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \right], \quad (\text{F40}) \end{aligned}$$

where the factor I^a has been defined as $I^a = (-1, -1, 2)$.

(3) $3\pi NN$ vertices. We need consider the $3\pi NN$ interactions deriving from the expansion of the U matrix given in Eq. (2.1) in both the PC and the PV LO Lagrangians. The corresponding Hamiltonians read

$$H_I^{3\pi NN} = -\frac{g_A}{2} \int d^3x \bar{\psi} \left[\frac{4\alpha - 1}{2f_\pi^3} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 (\vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{\pi}) (\vec{\pi} \cdot \partial_\mu \vec{\pi}) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{\alpha}{f_\pi^3} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \vec{\pi}^2 (\vec{\tau} \cdot \partial_\mu \vec{\pi}) \right] \psi \quad (\text{F41})$$

$$+ \frac{h_\pi^1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\alpha}{f_\pi^2} \int d^3x \bar{\psi} \pi^2 (\vec{\pi} \times \vec{\tau})_3 \psi. \quad (\text{F42})$$

Here we are interested only in tadpole contributions associated with these interactions. We denote them as $T_I^{3\pi NN} = T^{3\pi NN, 01} + T^{3\pi NN, 10}$, where

$$T^{3\pi NN, 01} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Omega}} \sum_{\alpha'\alpha} \sum_{q'a} b_{\alpha'}^\dagger b_\alpha a_{q'a} M_{\alpha'\alpha, q'a}^{3\pi NN, 01} \delta_{q+p, p'},$$

$$T^{3\pi NN, 10} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Omega}} \sum_{\alpha'\alpha} \sum_{q'a} b_{\alpha'}^\dagger b_\alpha a_{q'a}^\dagger M_{\alpha'\alpha, q'a}^{3\pi NN, 10} \delta_{q+p', p}.$$

The PC part is given by

$$\text{PC } M_{\alpha'\alpha, q'a}^{3\pi NN, 01} = -i \frac{g_A}{8f_\pi^3} (10\alpha - 1) \frac{\tau_a}{\sqrt{2\omega_q}} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{q} J_{01},$$

$$\text{PC } M_{\alpha'\alpha, q'a}^{3\pi NN, 10} = i \frac{g_A}{8f_\pi^3} (10\alpha - 1) \frac{\tau_a}{\sqrt{2\omega_q}} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{q} J_{01},$$

where the (infinite) constants J_{mn} have been defined as

$$J_{mn} = \frac{1}{\Omega} \sum_k \frac{k^{2m}}{\omega_k^n}. \quad (\text{F43})$$

The PV part reads

$$\text{PV } M_{\alpha'\alpha, q'a}^{3\pi NN, 01} = \text{PV } M_{\alpha'\alpha, q'a}^{3\pi NN, 10} = \frac{5}{2} \frac{h_\pi^1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\alpha}{f_\pi^2} \frac{\epsilon_{3ab} \tau_b}{\sqrt{2\omega_q}} J_{01}. \quad (\text{F44})$$

(4) 4π vertices. The relevant interaction Hamiltonian follows from the PC Lagrangian $\mathcal{L}_{\pi\pi}^{(2)}$ (there is no a PV contribution in this case) and is given by

$$H_I^{4\pi} = \int d^3x \left[-\frac{1-4\alpha}{2f_\pi^2} (\vec{\pi} \cdot \partial_\mu \vec{\pi}) (\vec{\pi} \cdot \partial^\mu \vec{\pi}) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{\alpha}{f_\pi^2} \vec{\pi}^2 (\partial^\mu \vec{\pi} \cdot \partial_\mu \vec{\pi}) - \frac{8\alpha - 1}{8f_\pi^2} m_\pi^2 \vec{\pi}^4 \right]. \quad (\text{F45})$$

The associated tadpole contributions read $T_I^{4\pi} = T^{4\pi, 02} + T^{4\pi, 11} + T^{4\pi, 20}$ are

$$T^{4\pi, 02} = \sum_{q'a} a_{q'a} a_{-q'a} M_q^{4\pi, 02}, \quad (\text{F46})$$

$$T^{4\pi, 11} = \sum_{q'a} a_{q'a}^\dagger a_{q'a} M_q^{4\pi, 11}, \quad (\text{F47})$$

$$T^{4\pi, 20} = \sum_{q'a} a_{q'a}^\dagger a_{-q'a} M_q^{4\pi, 20}, \quad (\text{F48})$$

with

$$\text{PC } M_q^{4\pi,02} = \frac{1-10\alpha}{4f_\pi^2} \omega_q J_{01} + \frac{16\alpha-3}{4f_\pi^2} J_{00} + \frac{m_\pi^2}{16f_\pi^2} \frac{1}{\omega_q} J_{01}, \quad (\text{F49})$$

$$\text{PC } M_q^{4\pi,11} = \frac{m_\pi^2}{8f_\pi^2} \frac{1}{\omega_q} J_{01}, \quad (\text{F50})$$

$$\text{PC } M_q^{4\pi,20} = \frac{1-10\alpha}{4f_\pi^2} \omega_q J_{01} - \frac{16\alpha-3}{4f_\pi^2} J_{00} + \frac{m_\pi^2}{16f_\pi^2} \frac{1}{\omega_q} J_{01}. \quad (\text{F51})$$

(5) $\pi\pi$ *contact interactions*. These follow from the two terms in $\mathcal{L}_{\pi\pi}^{(4)}$ and the δm_π^2 counter-term and are represented by an open square in diagram 5 of Fig. 3. They are given by $H_I^{\pi\pi} = H^{\pi\pi,02} + H^{\pi\pi,11} + H^{\pi\pi,20}$, where

$$H^{\pi\pi,02} = \sum_{qa} a_q a_{-qa} M_q^{\pi\pi,02}, \quad (\text{F52})$$

$$H^{\pi\pi,11} = \sum_{qa} a_q^\dagger a_{qa} M_q^{\pi\pi,11}, \quad (\text{F53})$$

$$H^{\pi\pi,20} = \sum_{qa} a_q^\dagger a_{-qa}^\dagger M_q^{\pi\pi,20}, \quad (\text{F54})$$

with

$$\text{PC } M_q^{\pi\pi,02} = \left[\ell_3 \frac{m_\pi^4}{f_\pi^2} + \frac{\delta m_\pi^2}{2} \right] \frac{1}{2\omega_q} + \ell_4 \frac{m_\pi^2}{f_\pi^2} \omega_q, \quad (\text{F55})$$

$$\text{PC } M_q^{\pi\pi,11} = \left[\ell_3 \frac{m_\pi^4}{f_\pi^2} + \frac{\delta m_\pi^2}{2} \right] \frac{1}{\omega_q}, \quad (\text{F56})$$

and $\text{PC } M_q^{\pi\pi,20} = \text{PC } M_q^{\pi\pi,02}$.

(6) NN *contact interactions*. These follow from the c_1 term in $\mathcal{L}_{\pi N}^{(2)}$ and the δM counterterm and are represented by an open square on a nucleon line in diagram 6 of Fig. 3. They are given by

$$H^{NN} = \sum_\alpha b_\alpha^\dagger b_\alpha M_p^{NN}, \quad M_p^{NN} = -4c_1 m_\pi^2. \quad (\text{F57})$$

(7) $4N$ *contact interaction*. The EFT Hamiltonian includes also the term given in Eq. (F2) derived from a contact Lagrangian. We only need its PV part of order Q , arising from the five independent interaction terms discussed in Ref. [25]. At order Q , with a suitable choice of the LECs, the vertex function $\text{PV } M^{00}$ can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PV } M_{\alpha'_1\alpha_1\alpha'_2\alpha_2}^{00} &= \frac{1}{2\Lambda_\chi^2 f_\pi} [C_1(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \mathbf{k}_1 \\ &+ C_2 \vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2 (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \mathbf{k}_1 \\ &+ C_3 (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \mathbf{k}_1 \\ &+ C_4 (\tau_{1z} + \tau_{2z}) (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \mathbf{k}_1 \\ &+ C_5 \mathcal{I}^{ab} \tau_{1a} \tau_{2b} (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \mathbf{k}_1], \quad (\text{F58}) \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathbf{k}_1 = \mathbf{p}'_1 - \mathbf{p}_1 = -\mathbf{p}'_2 + \mathbf{p}_2$.

APPENDIX G: THE PV POTENTIAL

In this Appendix we report on the derivation of the PV NN potential. In Appendix G1 we discuss the nucleon and pion propagators, and in Appendix G2 we provide explicit expressions for the contributions of various diagrams.

1. The nucleon and pion propagators

We begin by considering the propagation of an isolated nucleon. Diagrams contributing to the transition amplitude $\langle \alpha' | T | \alpha \rangle = T \delta_{\alpha'\alpha}$ are displayed in Fig. 4. Diagrams (a)–(d) are pion-loop contributions owing to PC and PV πNN vertices. The contribution of diagram (a) is of order Q^3 , while those of diagrams (b) and (c) vanish, because the integrand is odd with respect to the loop momentum. The contribution of diagram (d) is ignored because it contains two PV vertices. Diagram (e) represents the contribution from the two terms proportional to $\bar{\psi}\psi$ (namely, the c_1 term in $\mathcal{L}_{\pi N}^{(2)}$ of order Q^2 and the δM counterterm), diagram (f) represents contributions associated with antinucleons, which enter first at order Q^4 , and, last, diagram (g) is an example of a reducible two-loop contribution (of order Q^4). Contributions from reducible diagrams can be summed up analytically as shown below. Explicitly, the contribution of diagram (a) is

$$T(\text{a}) = \frac{1}{\Omega} \sum_k \frac{3g_A^2}{8f_\pi^2} \frac{k^2}{\omega_k} \frac{1}{E_p - E_{|p-k|} - \omega_k}, \quad (\text{G1})$$

which to LO Q^3 gives

$$T^{(3)}(\text{a}) = -\frac{1}{\Omega} \sum_k \frac{3g_A^2}{8f_\pi^2} \frac{k^2}{\omega_k^2}, \quad (\text{G2})$$

while the contributions of diagrams (e) and (f) read, respectively,

$$T(\text{e}) = -4m_\pi^2 c_1 + \delta M, \quad (\text{G3})$$

$$T^{(4)}(\text{f}) = \frac{1}{\Omega} \sum_k \frac{3g_A^2}{16f_\pi^2} \frac{\omega_k}{M}, \quad (\text{G4})$$

where only the LO Q^4 has been retained in the case of diagram (f). We now set the $N \rightarrow N$ amplitude to zero order by order in the power counting by assuming

$$\delta M = \delta M^{(2)} + \delta M^{(3)} + \delta M^{(4)} + \dots, \quad (\text{G5})$$

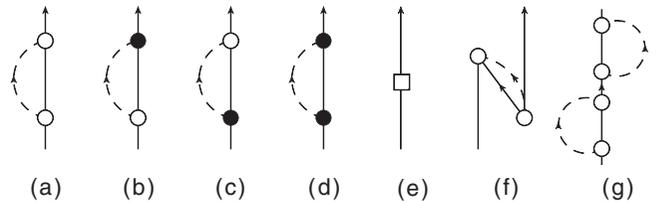


FIG. 4. Diagrams describing the $N \rightarrow N$ transition amplitude. The open (solid) circles represent contributions owing to PC (PV) πNN vertices, while the open square represents the contribution from the c_1 term in $\mathcal{L}_{\pi N}^{(2)}$ and the δM counterterm. The notation is as in Fig. 3.

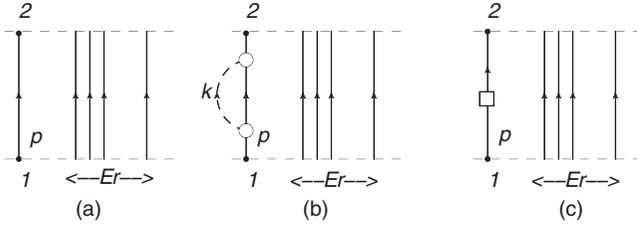


FIG. 5. Parts of a general diagram with the propagation of nucleons only.

where $\delta M^{(n)}$ is of order Q^n , and by determining $\delta M^{(n)}$ so that $T^{(n)} = 0$. Up to order Q^4 , we obtain

$$\delta M^{(2)} = 4m_\pi^2 c_1, \quad \delta M^{(3)} = -T^{(3)}(a), \quad (\text{G6})$$

$$\delta M^{(4)} = -T^{(4)}(a) - T^{(4)}(f). \quad (\text{G7})$$

Next we consider the “dressing” of a nucleon line belonging to a more complicated diagram; see Fig. 5. Panel (a) on this figure represents a diagram in which one nucleon of momentum \mathbf{p} is created at vertex 1 and annihilated at vertex 2 (shown by the two dots at the beginning and end of the nucleon line). The other nucleons have energies collectively denoted by E_r . Note that there are no pions in flight in the intermediate state. The energy denominator of the diagram in panel (a) is

$$P_0(E) = \frac{1}{E_0 - (E_p + E_r) + i\epsilon} = \frac{1}{E + i\epsilon}, \quad (\text{G8})$$

where $E = E_0 - E_p - E_r$ and E_0 is the initial energy (which depends on the particular process under consideration).

Panels (b) and (c) in Fig. 5 represent, respectively, the contribution in which nucleon 1 emits and reabsorbs a pion of momentum \mathbf{k} and that in which a contact interaction occurs. These contributions are given by

$$S(E) = \frac{1}{\Omega} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{3g_A^2}{8f_\pi^2} \frac{k^2}{\omega_k} \frac{1}{E + E_p - E_{|\mathbf{p}-\mathbf{k}|} - \omega_k} - 4m_\pi^2 c_1 + \delta M + \dots, \quad (\text{G9})$$

and $S(0) = 0$ follows from the choice of δM discussed previously for a single nucleon (of course, energy denominators in the diagrams of Figs. 4 and 5 are different, and $S(E)$ only vanishes for $E = 0$).

By summing up repeated (b)- and (c)-type insertions, we obtain the well-known result

$$P_D(E) = \frac{1}{E + i\epsilon} + \frac{1}{E + i\epsilon} S(E) \frac{1}{E + i\epsilon} + \dots = \frac{1}{E - S(E) + i\epsilon}. \quad (\text{G10})$$

By expanding $S(E)$ in powers of E (E is assumed to be small) and by keeping only linear terms in E , we find

$$P_D(E) \simeq \frac{1}{1 - S'(0)} \frac{1}{E + i\epsilon} = \frac{Z_N}{E + i\epsilon}, \quad (\text{G11})$$

where $Z_N = 1/[1 - S'(0)]$,

$$S'(0) = -\frac{1}{\Omega} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{3g_A^2}{8f_\pi^2} \frac{k^2}{\omega_k^3} = -\frac{3g_A^2}{8f_\pi^2} J_{13}, \quad (\text{G12})$$

and the (infinite) constant J_{13} is defined in Eq. (3.22). Because $-E = E_p + E_r - E_0$ is the energy of the intermediate state relative to the initial energy, it is physically sensible that for $E \rightarrow 0$ the dressed operator should have the same form as the bare propagator $1/(E + i\epsilon)$ up to the (nucleon wave function) renormalization factor Z_N . In the following we adopt the common practice of attaching a $\sqrt{Z_N}$ at each of the two vertices of an internal nucleon line, and of multiplying by an extra $\sqrt{Z_N}$ each external nucleon line. The renormalization of nucleon lines when additional pions are present must be discussed case by case.

We now consider a diagram with an intermediate state involving a single pion of momentum \mathbf{k} and energy ω_k and denote with E_0 the energy of the initial state and with E_r the total energy of particles other than the pion present in this intermediate state. We assume that $|E_0 - E_r| \ll \omega_k$. In Fig. 6, the various panels only show the (internal) pion line of this generic diagram. The energy denominator associated with a single pion propagation in panel (1) is $(E_0 - \omega_k - E_r + i\epsilon)^{-1} \simeq -\omega_k^{-1}$. The two vertices at the beginning and end of the pion line each bring in a $(1/\sqrt{2\omega_k})$. Furthermore, there is factor 2 coming from the two possible time orderings in the propagation of the pion (“left-to-right” and “right-to-left”). Thus, the bare pion propagator is $-1/\omega_k^2$. By taking into account the remaining contributions from panels (2)–(7) in Fig. 6, we find the “dressed” propagator up to corrections of order Q^2 included to be given by

$$S_\pi(\mathbf{k}) \simeq -\frac{1}{\omega_k^2} \left(1 - \frac{A_\pi}{\omega_k^2} + \delta Z_\pi \right), \quad (\text{G13})$$

where

$$A_\pi = \frac{2\ell_3 m_\pi^4}{f_\pi^2} + \frac{m_\pi^2}{4f_\pi^2} J_{01} + \delta m_\pi^2, \quad (\text{G14})$$

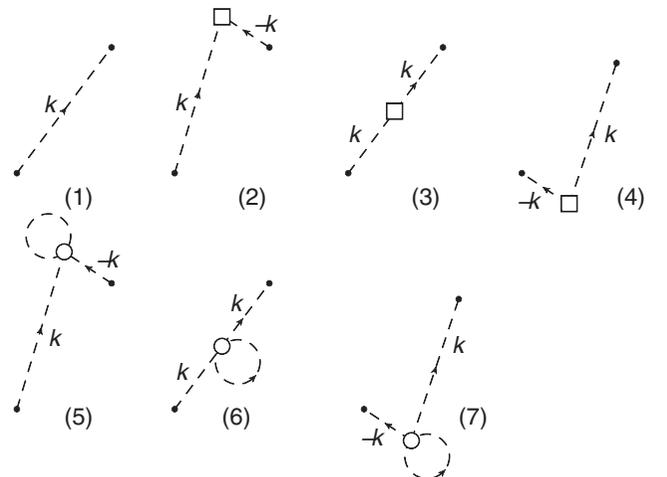


FIG. 6. Propagation of a pion in the intermediate state of a generic diagram. Only the pion line is shown.

$$\delta Z_\pi = -\frac{2\ell_A m_\pi^2}{f_\pi^2} - \frac{1-10\alpha}{2f_\pi^2} J_{01}. \quad (\text{G15})$$

Note that A_π/ω_k^2 and δZ_π are both of order Q^2 . The dressed propagator $S_\pi(\mathbf{k})$ can also be written as

$$S_\pi(\mathbf{k}) \simeq -\frac{1+\delta Z_\pi}{\omega_k^2 + A_\pi}. \quad (\text{G16})$$

Here $Z_\pi = 1 + \delta Z_\pi$ represents the renormalization of the pion wave function, and again we attach a factor $\sqrt{Z_\pi}$ at each of the two ends of the pion line. Therefore, this factor contributes to the renormalization of the coupling constants. The term A_π represents the shift in the square of the pion mass, and to have m_π^2 be the physical pion mass, we choose δm_π^2 so that $A_\pi = 0$. The expressions above for A_π and δZ_π are the same as those reported in Eq. (2.39) of Ref. [59].

2. The PV NN potential

Diagrams contributing to the PV NN amplitude up to order Q are shown in Fig. 1. The power counting is as follows: (i) a PC (PV) πNN vertex is of order Q (Q^0); (ii) a PC or PV $\pi\pi NN$ vertex is of order Q^1 ; (iii) a PC (PV) NN contact vertex is of order Q^0 (Q); (iv) an energy denominator without (with one or more) pions is of order Q^{-2} (Q^{-1}); (v) factors Q^{-1} and Q^3 are associated with, respectively, each pion line and each loop integration. The momenta are defined as given below Eq. (3.16), and in what follows use is made of the fact that $\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{K}$ vanishes in the c.m. frame.

The PV NN potential is derived from the amplitudes in Fig. 1 via Eqs. (3.13)–(3.15). Up to order Q included, we obtain for the OPE component in panel (a) of Fig. 1,

$$V(\text{a}) = V^{(-1)}(\text{NR}) + V^{(1)}(\text{RC}) + V^{(1)}(\text{LEC}), \quad (\text{G17})$$

where

$$V^{(-1)}(\text{NR}) = \frac{g_A h_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi} (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z \frac{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2)}{\omega_k^2}, \quad (\text{G18})$$

$$\begin{aligned} V^{(1)}(\text{RC}) &= \frac{g_A h_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi} \frac{1}{4M^2} (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z \frac{1}{\omega_k^2} \\ &\times \left[-\frac{i}{2} (8K^2 + k^2) \mathbf{k} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \right. \\ &+ \mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{K}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 \\ &\left. + \mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 (\mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{K}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \right], \quad (\text{G19}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V^{(1)}(\text{LEC}) &= V^{(-1)}(\text{NR}) \left[\frac{2m_\pi^2}{g_A} (2d_{16} - d_{18}) \right. \\ &\left. - \frac{8\sqrt{2}m_\pi^2}{h_\pi^1 f_\pi^2} (h_2^1 - h_3^1) \right] \\ &+ \frac{16h_{12}^1}{f_\pi^2} \frac{g_A}{2f_\pi} (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2). \quad (\text{G20}) \end{aligned}$$

The potential does not depend on the LECs h_V^0 , h_V^1 , and h_V^2 , because the associated contributions cancel out when summing

over the different time orderings. The factor $k^2 = \omega_k^2 - m_\pi^2$ in $V^{(1)}(\text{RC})$ leads to a piece that can be reabsorbed in the contact term proportional to C_3 in Eq. (3.34) and a piece proportional to m_π^2 that simply renormalizes the LEC h_π^1 . Similarly, the piece in $V^{(1)}(\text{LEC})$ proportional to $V^{(-1)}(\text{NR})$ leads to renormalization of h_π^1 and the remaining term can be reabsorbed in C_3 . We are then left with the components $V_{\text{PV}}^{(\text{OPE})}$ and $V_{\text{PV}}^{(\text{RC})}$ given in Eqs. (3.23) and (3.33).

The component of the PV potential owing to the contact terms in panel CT of Fig. 1 derives directly from the vertex function $^{\text{PV}}M^{00}$ given in Eq. (F58). The final expression has already been given in Eq. (3.34).

Panels (b) and (c) contain a combination of a contact interaction with the exchange of a pion. However, it can be shown that their contribution is at least of order Q^3 .

Next we consider the TPE components in panels (d)–(g). The contribution from panel (d) reads

$$\begin{aligned} V^{(1)}(\text{d}) &= \frac{g_A h_\pi^1}{8\sqrt{2}f_\pi^3} (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \\ &\times \int \frac{d^3q}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\omega_+ \omega_- (\omega_+ + \omega_-)}, \quad (\text{G21}) \end{aligned}$$

where $\omega_\pm = \sqrt{(\mathbf{k} \pm \mathbf{q})^2 + 4m_\pi^2}$. Use of dimensional regularization allows one to obtain the finite part as [15]

$$\bar{V}^{(1)}(\text{d}) = -\frac{g_A h_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi \Lambda_\chi^2} (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) L(k), \quad (\text{G22})$$

where $\Lambda_\chi = 4\pi f_\pi$ and the loop function $L(k)$ is defined as

$$L(k) = \frac{1}{2k} \ln \left(\frac{s+k}{s-k} \right), \quad s = \sqrt{k^2 + 4m_\pi^2}. \quad (\text{G23})$$

The singular part is given by

$$V_\infty^{(1)}(\text{d}) = -\frac{g_A h_\pi^1}{4\sqrt{2}f_\pi \Lambda_\chi^2} (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) (d'_\epsilon - 2), \quad (\text{G24})$$

where

$$d'_\epsilon = -\frac{2}{\epsilon} + \gamma - \ln \pi + \ln \left(\frac{m_\pi^2}{\mu^2} \right), \quad (\text{G25})$$

$\epsilon = 3 - d$, d being the number of dimensions ($d \rightarrow 3$), and μ is a renormalization scale. This singular contribution is absorbed in the $V^{(\text{CT})}$ term proportional to C_3 .

The contributions from panels (e)–(g) in Fig. 1 are collectively denoted as “box” below, and the noniterative pieces in reducible diagrams of type (g) are identified via Eq. (3.15); elsewhere [15], they have been referred to as the “recoil corrections.” We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} V^{(1)}(\text{box}) &= \frac{g_A h_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi} \frac{g_A^2}{4f_\pi^2} \int \frac{d^3q}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\omega_+^2 + \omega_+ \omega_- + \omega_-^2}{\omega_+^3 \omega_-^3 (\omega_+ + \omega_-)} \\ &\times \{-2i(\tau_{1z} + \tau_{2z}) [\mathbf{q} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 (\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{k}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 \\ &- \mathbf{q} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 (\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{k}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1] - 2i(\tau_{1z} - \tau_{2z}) \\ &\times [\mathbf{q} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 (\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{k}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 + \mathbf{q} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2 (\mathbf{q} \times \mathbf{k}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_1] \\ &+ i(\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z (k^2 - q^2) \mathbf{k} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2)\}, \quad (\text{G26}) \end{aligned}$$

and, after dimensional regularization, the finite part reads

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{V}^{(1)}(\text{box}) &= -\frac{g_A^3 h_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi\Lambda_\chi^2} \{4(\tau_{1z} + \tau_{2z}) \mathbf{i}k \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2)L(k) \\ &\quad + (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z \mathbf{i}k \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2)[H(k) - 3L(k)]\}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{G27})$$

where

$$H(k) = \frac{4m_\pi^2}{s^2} L(k), \quad (\text{G28})$$

while the singular part is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{V}^{(1)}(\text{box}) &= -\frac{g_A^3 h_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi\Lambda_\chi^2} \left[2(\tau_{1z} + \tau_{2z}) \mathbf{i}k \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \left(d'_\epsilon - \frac{4}{3} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z \mathbf{i}k \cdot (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \left(\frac{3}{2}d'_\epsilon - 1 \right) \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{G29})$$

The latter is absorbed in the $V^{(\text{CT})}$ terms proportional to C_3 and C_4 .

We now turn our attention to the contributions from panels (h)–(u) in Fig. 1. Those from panels (h) and (i) represent the renormalization of nucleon external lines, discussed in Appendix G 1, and cancel out owing to the choice of the mass counterterm δM . However, there is a factor of $\sqrt{Z_N}$ which needs to be included for each of the nucleon external lines. A correction of order Q to the PV OPE potential follows, given by

$$\begin{aligned} V^{(1)}(\text{h} + \text{i}) &= [(\sqrt{Z_N})^4 - 1] V^{(-1)}(\text{NR}) \\ &= -\frac{3g_A^2}{4f_\pi^2} J_{13} V^{(-1)}(\text{NR}). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{G30})$$

The contributions from panels (j)–(l), which are of order Q , cancel out; in particular, diagrams of the (j) and (k) type, but where the PV πNN vertex occurs in the pion loop, vanish (the integrand in the loop integration is odd). The contributions from panels (m) and (n) represent vertex corrections of order Q , given by

$$V^{(1)}(\text{m} + \text{n}) = \frac{g_A^2}{12f_\pi^2} J_{13} V^{(-1)}(\text{NR}). \quad (\text{G31})$$

Note that hereafter we ignore factors of $\sqrt{Z_N}$ because they would lead to corrections of order higher than Q . The contributions from panels (o) and (p) are tadpoles originating from the interaction Hamiltonian $H^{3\pi NN}$,

$$V^{(1)}(\text{o} + \text{p}) = -\frac{20\alpha - 1}{4f_\pi^2} J_{01} V^{(-1)}(\text{NR}). \quad (\text{G32})$$

The contributions from panels (q) and (r) represent renormalizations of the (internal) pion line (see Appendix G 1),

$$V^{(1)}(\text{q} + \text{r}) = \left(-\frac{A_\pi}{\omega_k^2} + \delta Z_\pi \right) V^{(-1)}(\text{NR}), \quad (\text{G33})$$

where A_π and δZ_π are the quantities defined in Eqs. (G14) and (G15); in particular, $A_\pi = 0$ because of our choice

to work with the physical pion mass, and δZ_π contributes to the renormalization of the PC πNN vertex. Finally, the contributions from panels (s)–(u) represent vertex corrections. Those involving the PC $\pi\pi NN$ vertex read

$$V^{(1)}(\text{s} + \text{t} + \text{u}) = \frac{1}{4f_\pi^2} J_{01} V^{(-1)}(\text{NR}). \quad (\text{G34})$$

However, contributions from diagrams involving the PV $\pi\pi NN$ vertex are at least of order Q^2 .

We conclude by noting that an analysis of πNN vertex corrections was also carried out in Ref. [24] [in that paper the choice $\alpha = 1/6$ in Eq. (2.1) was adopted]. Our expressions are in agreement with those reported there.

APPENDIX H: THE POTENTIAL IN CONFIGURATION SPACE

In this Appendix, all the LECs are considered to be the renormalized ones (with the overlines omitted for simplicity). The configuration space expressions follow from Eq. (3.35) and read

$$V_{\text{PV}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) = V^{(\text{OPE})}(\mathbf{r}) + V^{(\text{TPE})}(\mathbf{r}) + V^{(\text{RC})}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) + V^{(\text{CT})}(\mathbf{r}), \quad (\text{H1})$$

where $\mathbf{p} = -i\nabla$ is the relative momentum operator and

$$V^{(\text{OPE})}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{g_A h_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi} (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} g'(r), \quad (\text{H2})$$

$$\begin{aligned} V^{(\text{TPE})}(\mathbf{r}) &= -\frac{g_A h_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi} \frac{m_\pi^2}{\Lambda_\chi^2} (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} L'(r) \\ &\quad - \frac{g_A h_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi} \frac{g_A^2 m_\pi^2}{\Lambda_\chi^2} \{4(\tau_{1z} + \tau_{2z}) (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} \\ &\quad \times L'(r) + (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} \\ &\quad \times [H'(r) - 3L'(r)]\}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{H3})$$

$$\begin{aligned} V^{(\text{RC})}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) &= -\frac{g_A h_\pi^1}{2\sqrt{2}f_\pi 4M^2} (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z \\ &\quad \times \left[\{p_j, \{p_j, (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} g'(r)\}\} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{\epsilon_{j\ell m}}{2} (\sigma_{1i} \sigma_{2j} + \sigma_{1j} \sigma_{2i}) \{p_m, \partial_i \partial_\ell g(r)\} \right], \end{aligned} \quad (\text{H4})$$

$$\begin{aligned} V^{(\text{CT})}(\mathbf{r}) &= \frac{m_\pi^2}{\Lambda_\chi^2 f_\pi} [C_1 (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} \\ &\quad + C_2 \vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2 (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} \\ &\quad + C_3 (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} \\ &\quad + C_4 (\tau_{1z} + \tau_{2z}) (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} \\ &\quad + C_5 \mathcal{I}^{ab} \tau_{1a} \tau_{2b} (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \times \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}] Z'(r), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{H5})$$

with

$$g(r) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{C_\Lambda(k)}{k^2 + m_\pi^2} e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}}, \quad (\text{H6})$$

$$L(r) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{C_\Delta(k)}{m_\pi^2} L(k) e^{ik \cdot r}, \quad (\text{H7})$$

$$H(r) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{C_\Delta(k)}{m_\pi^2} H(k) e^{ik \cdot r}, \quad (\text{H8})$$

$$Z(r) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{C_\Delta(k)}{m_\pi^2} e^{ik \cdot r}. \quad (\text{H9})$$

Note that

$$\{p_j, \{p_j, O\}\} = -(\nabla^2 O) - 4[(\nabla O) \cdot \nabla + 4 O \nabla^2], \quad (\text{H10})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \nabla^2(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} g'(r) \\ &= (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} \left[g'''(r) + 2 \frac{g''(r)}{r} - 2 \frac{g'(r)}{r^2} \right], \end{aligned} \quad (\text{H11})$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \partial_j(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} g'(r) \\ &= (\sigma_{1j} + \sigma_{2j}) \frac{g'(r)}{r} + (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} \left[\frac{g''(r)}{r} - \frac{g'(r)}{r^2} \right] \frac{r_j}{r}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{H12})$$

It is convenient to define the operators,

$$S_r^\pm = (\sigma_1 \pm \sigma_2) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}, \quad (\text{H13})$$

$$S_p^\pm = (\sigma_1 \pm \sigma_2) \cdot \mathbf{p}, \quad (\text{H14})$$

$$S_r^\times = (\sigma_1 \times \sigma_2) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}, \quad (\text{H15})$$

$$S_L = \sigma_1 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} \sigma_2 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{L}} + \sigma_2 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} \sigma_1 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{L}}, \quad (\text{H16})$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{L}} = \hat{\mathbf{r}} \times \mathbf{p}$ is the ‘‘reduced’’ orbital angular momentum operator. In terms of these, $V^{(\text{RC})}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p})$ can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} & V^{(\text{RC})}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) \\ &= \frac{g_A h_\pi^1}{8\sqrt{2} f_\pi M^2} (\vec{\tau}_1 \times \vec{\tau}_2)_z \left(\left[g'''(r) + 2 \frac{g''(r)}{r} - 2 \frac{g'(r)}{r^2} \right] S_r^+ \right. \\ & \quad \left. + 4i \left\{ \frac{g'(r)}{r} S_p^+ + \left[g''(r) - \frac{g'(r)}{r} \right] S_r^+ \hat{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \mathbf{p} \right\} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - 4g'(r) S_r^+ \mathbf{p}^2 - \left[g''(r) - \frac{g'(r)}{r} \right] S_L \right). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{H17})$$

The functions $g(r)$, $L(r)$, $H(r)$, and $Z(r)$ are calculated numerically by standard quadrature techniques. It is easily seen that $g''(r) - g'(r)/r$ and $g'''(r) + 2g''(r)/r - 2g'(r)/r^2$ are well-behaved as $r \rightarrow 0$.

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