Renormalization of bilinear quark operators for overlap fermions

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We present nonperturbative renormalization constants of fermionic bilinears on the lattice in the quenched approximation at $\beta = 6.1$ using an overlap [H. Neuberger, Phys. Lett. B 417, 141 (1998)] fermion action with hypercubic (HYP)-blocked links. We consider the effects of the exact zero modes of the Dirac operator and find they are important in calculating the renormalization constants of the scalar and pseudoscalar density. The results are given in the RI' and \overline{MS} schemes and compared to perturbative calculations.

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I. INTRODUCTION

This paper describes the computation of matching factors for converting lattice calculations of matrix elements of currents to the corresponding values measured in a continuum \overline{MS} scheme. The lattice action uses overlap fermions [1] and HYP-blocked links [2].

We use the nonperturbative methodology introduced in Ref. [3]. The proposed renormalization scheme is one which can be implemented not only in lattice Monte Carlo simulation but also in continuum perturbation theory. Thus, the conversion of lattice results to a more conventional scheme such as \overline{MS} is possible. In this scheme, the matrix element of a bilinear quark operator $O_{\Gamma} = \bar{\psi} \Gamma \psi$ between quark fields at a certain momentum $p^2 = \mu^2$ is computed and matched to the corresponding tree level matrix element. i.e. the renormalization condition is

$$Z_{\Gamma} \langle p | O_{\Gamma} | p \rangle |_{p^2 = \mu^2} = \langle p | O_{\Gamma} | p \rangle_{\text{tree}}.$$
 (1)

Here Γ can be any combination of Dirac matrices. This method is supposed to work when μ satisfies

$$\Lambda_{OCD} \ll \mu \ll 1/a. \tag{2}$$

The discretization effects are under control if the renormalization scale μ is much smaller than the lattice cut-off 1/a. $\Lambda_{QCD} \ll \mu$ guarantees that nonperturbative effects are ignorable.

There have been many calculations using this scheme. Ref. [3] used improved Wilson fermions, Ref. [4] used both the Wilson and the tree level improved SW-Clover fermion action in the quenched approximation, Ref. [5] worked with standard Wilson fermions(r = 1) in the quenched approximation, Ref. [6] is a quenched simulation with domain wall fermions. Ref. [7] used chirally improved lattice fermions in the quenched approximation. Here, we use overlap fermions [1] in the quenched approximation. Specifically, we work with overlap fermions built from a "kernel action" with nearest and next-nearest neighbor fermionic interactions [8] and hypercubic(HYP)-blocked links [2]. Overlap fermions respect chiral symmetry on the lattice via the Ginsparg-Wilson relation [9], while for Wilson-type fermions, the Wilson term breaks the chiral symmetry explicitly. Chirally improved fermions only obey the Ginsparg-Wilson relation approximately.

Lattice perturbation theory is probably the most often used way to calculate the renormalization factors. However, the convergence of the perturbative series is often not satisfying. To improve the convergence of the series, Lepage and Mackenzie proposed a tadpole improved perturbation theory [10]. Nevertheless, lattice perturbation series rarely extend beyond the one-loop level, which is an important source of uncertainty in the extraction of physical results.

One-loop perturbative calculations of the matching coefficients between matrix elements measured in lattice simulations and their equivalent \overline{MS} values for the same overlap fermions and HYP-blocked links that we use here were done in Ref. [11]. Those perturbative results turned out to be quite close to unity, and they were used in computing the Kaon B parameter [12]. This work will give a nonperturbative check of the matching coefficients.

Perturbative results of the matching coefficients for other actions also using HYP-blocked links or similar gauge connections were presented in [13]. They show the same behavior, that the matching coefficients are quite close to unity. Our results may be useful to others doing simulations with HYP links, to give an idea how trustworthy perturbation theory is. In recent work [14,15] with smeared overlap fermions using a Wilson kernel operator, the Z-factors for the scalar density and the vector current were calculated nonperturbatively. These factors were found to be much closer to unity after smearing. The authors did not consider the effects of the zero modes, which we will examine in this work.

In Eq. (1), Γ can be any combination of Dirac matrices. We will consider the cases $\Gamma = I$, γ_5 , γ_{μ} and $\gamma_{\mu}\gamma_5$, which we will denote S, P, V and A, respectively. Chiral symmetry implies several relations between renormalization constants for overlap fermions, in particular $Z_S = Z_P$ and $Z_V = Z_A$.

The paper is organized as follows: In Sec. II, we briefly discuss the nonperturbative renormalization method [3],

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the overlap action, and how we deal with the zero modes of the Dirac operator. Numerical results are given in Sec. III. The formulas for conversion to the \overline{MS} scheme are recapitulated in Sec. IV. We will compare our results with perturbative calculations in Sec. V and conclude in Sec. VI.

II. METHODOLOGY

The following is a brief summary of the method from Ref. [3,7], a short description of the overlap action we used (for a detail description, see Ref. [8]) and how we deal with the zero modes of the Dirac operator. For convenience, the lattice spacing a is set to be one.

From Eq. (1), we have

$$Z_{\Gamma} \frac{1}{12} \operatorname{Tr}[\langle p | O_{\Gamma} | p \rangle \langle p | O_{\Gamma} | p \rangle_{\operatorname{tree}}^{-1}]|_{p^{2} = \mu^{2}} = 1.$$
(3)

Here the $\frac{1}{12}$ comes from the fact that the trace is over color and spin space. Since

$$\langle p|O_{\Gamma}|p\rangle = Z_q \Lambda_{\Gamma}(p),$$
 (4)

we obtain

$$Z_{\Gamma} = \frac{12}{Z_q \operatorname{Tr}[\Lambda_{\Gamma}(p)\langle p|O_{\Gamma}|p\rangle_{\operatorname{tree}}^{-1}]}|_{p^2 = \mu^2}.$$
 (5)

Here Z_q is the quark field renormalization constant (the bare field is $\psi_0 = Z_q^{1/2}\psi$) and $\Lambda_{\Gamma}(p)$ is the amputated Green function

$$\Lambda_{\Gamma}(p) = S^{-1}(p)G_{\Gamma}(p)S^{-1}(p), \tag{6}$$

where S(p) is the quark propagator. Equation (5) is the formula we will use to calculate Z_{Γ} .

 Z_q is obtained by comparing the quark propagator to the free lattice propagator (the RI' scheme):

$$Z_q^{RI'} = \frac{1}{12} \operatorname{Tr}[S(p)D_f^{ov}(p)]|_{p^2 = \mu^2},\tag{7}$$

where $D_f^{ov}(p)$ is the free lattice overlap Dirac operator. (Our Z_q is the inverse of the quark field renormalization constant in Ref. [7].)

The Green function $G_{\Gamma}(p)$ is determined in the following way.

$$G_{\Gamma}(p) = \sum_{x,y} e^{-ip \cdot (x-y)} \langle \psi(x) O_{\Gamma}(0) \psi(\bar{y}) \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{x,y} e^{-ip \cdot (x-y)} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} S_i(x|0) \Gamma S_i(0|y)$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (\sum_x S_i(x|0) e^{-ip \cdot x}) \Gamma(\sum_y S_i(0|y) e^{ip \cdot y}), \quad (8)$$

where N is the number of gauge configurations. Using $S_i(x|y) = \gamma_5 S_i(y|x)^{\dagger} \gamma_5$ and $S_i(p|0) = \sum_x S_i(x|0)e^{-ip \cdot x}$, we have

$$G_{\Gamma}(p) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} S_i(p|0) \Gamma \gamma_5 S_i^{\dagger}(p|0) \gamma_5.$$
(9)

The quark propagator in momentum space is given by

$$S(p) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} S_i(p|0).$$
(10)

 $S_i(x|0)$ is computed on the lattice with a point source

$$\sum_{x} D^{ov}(z, x) S_i(x|0) = \delta_{z,0}.$$
 (11)

(In Ref. [5] and Ref. [7], momentum sources were used.) At tree level, $\langle p|O_{\Gamma}|p\rangle_{\text{tree}} = \Gamma$. Therefore, every quantity on the right hand side of Eq. (5) is known and then we can obtain Z_{Γ} . For $\Gamma = \gamma_{\mu}, \gamma_{\mu}\gamma_{5}$, the index μ is averaged under the trace in Eq. (5).

We fix the gauge to Landau gauge. Uncertainty due to Gribov copies is not investigated here. It has been discussed in Ref. [7,16-18]. The effect was found to be negligible in current lattice simulations.

The overlap action that we use is described in detail in Ref. [8]. It uses a "kernel" action with nearest and nextnearest neighbor couplings. The massless overlap Dirac operator is

$$D(0) = x_0 \left(1 + \frac{z}{\sqrt{z^{\dagger} z}} \right),$$
(12)

where $z = d(-x_0)/x_0 = (d - x_0)/x_0$ and d(m) = d + m is the massive Dirac operator for mass *m*. The overall multiplicative factor of x_0 is a useful convention so that when D(0) is expanded for small d, $D \approx d$.

The massive overlap Dirac operator is defined as

$$D(m) = \left(1 - \frac{m}{2x_0}\right)D(0) + m.$$
 (13)

In a background gauge field carrying a topological charge Q, D(0) will have |Q| pairs of real eigenmodes with eigenvalues 0 and $2x_0$. In computing propagators, it is convenient to clip out the eigenmode with real eigenvalue $2x_0$, and to define the subtracted propagator as

$$\tilde{D}(m)^{-1} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{m}{2x_0}} \left[D(m)^{-1} - \frac{1}{2x_0} \right].$$
 (14)

This also converts local currents into order a^2 improved operators [19]. Then the free lattice overlap Dirac operator $D_f^{ov}(p)$ used in Eq. (7) is just $\tilde{D}(m)$ in momentum space.

The HYP-blocked links are constructed in three steps [2]. The parameters α_1 , α_2 and α_3 in our simulation have the favored values of Ref. [2]: 0.75, 0.6 and 0.3, respectively.

A finite volume artifact we encounter in this quenched simulation is the presence of exact zero modes of the Dirac operator. The zero mode contribution (with positive chirality) in the propagator $S_i(p|0)$ on a configuration with

 $Q \neq 0$ takes the form

$$\frac{1}{m} \begin{pmatrix} |\phi_0(p)\rangle\langle\phi_0(p)| & 0\\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \equiv \frac{1}{m} S_0 \tag{15}$$

in a γ_5 diagonal basis. Here $|\phi_0(p)\rangle$ is the Fourier transform of the zero mode wave function $|\phi_0(x)\rangle$. Since the zero modes are localized in space, $|\phi_0(p)\rangle$ will peak at low p. These zero modes do not resemble free field modes. Implicit in the RI' scheme analysis is the idea that at big μ , lattice propagators resemble continuum ones. Zero modes clearly do not. In Sec. III, we will find zero modes make a large contribution to Z_S and Z_P . We believe this is because our lattice is not large.

The following little parametrization illustrates our expectations of the effects of zero modes: $S_i(p|0)$ is the sum of the zero mode contribution and the nonzero mode contribution S_n ,

$$S_i(p|0) = \frac{1}{m}S_0 + S_n.$$
 (16)

Therefore in Eq. (9)

$$S_{i}(p|0)\Gamma\gamma_{5}S_{i}^{\dagger}(p|0)\gamma_{5} = \frac{1}{m^{2}}S_{0}\Gamma\gamma_{5}S_{0}^{\dagger}\gamma_{5} + \frac{1}{m}(S_{0}\Gamma\gamma_{5}S_{n}^{\dagger}\gamma_{5} + S_{n}\Gamma\gamma_{5}S_{0}^{\dagger}\gamma_{5}) + S_{n}\Gamma\gamma_{5}S_{n}^{\dagger}\gamma_{5},$$
(17)

and then $G_{\Gamma}(p)$ can be written in the form

$$G_{\Gamma}(p) = \frac{1}{m^2}G_2 + \frac{1}{m}G_1 + G_0,$$
 (18)

where the subscript counts the number of zero modes: G_0 contains no zero mode contribution. The quark propagator averaged over all configurations and its inverse, if expanded for small m, are

$$S(p) = \frac{1}{m} \bar{S}_0 + \bar{S}_n,$$

$$S^{-1}(p) = m \bar{S}_0^{-1} - m^2 \bar{S}_0^{-1} \bar{S}_n \bar{S}_0^{-1} + \cdots.$$
(19)

Thus the amputated Green function

$$\Lambda_{\Gamma}(p) = S^{-1}(p)G_{\Gamma}(p)S^{-1}(p) = \left(\frac{1}{m}\bar{S}_{0} + \bar{S}_{n}\right)^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{m^{2}}G_{2} + \frac{1}{m}G_{1} + G_{0}\right) \times \left(\frac{1}{m}\bar{S}_{0} + \bar{S}_{n}\right)^{-1} \to \bar{S}_{0}^{-1}G_{2}\bar{S}_{0}^{-1} \quad \text{when m is small.}$$
(20)

So, if the zero modes affect our calculation of Z_{Γ} (Eq. (5)), the effect should be evident at small momentum and small quark mass. Unfortunately, for us, $\mu = 2$ GeV, where we will match, is rather small momentum.

Zero modes represent a finite volume quenching artifact. We want to design our analysis to minimize their effects. With overlap fermions, we can use linear combinations of scalar and pseudoscalar densities, or combinations of vector and axial vector currents, so that the zero mode effects are suppressed in Z_{Γ} . The use of these combinations depends on the fact that overlap fermions respect chiral symmetry on the lattice.

The Z-factors we find doing this differ, in some cases, from what we obtain from a more naive analysis. In order to confirm that zero modes are the source of the difference, we will look at results obtained by explicitly subtracting the contributions of the zero modes from the propagators. Subtracting zero modes directly from the propagators amounts to a modification of the quenched approximation, so we will not use these results in the final values we quote.

For scalar and pseudoscalar densities, we can use Eq. (4) to rewrite Eq. (1) as

$$Z_S Z_q \Lambda_I (p^2 = \mu^2) = I \tag{21}$$

and

$$Z_P Z_q \Lambda_{\gamma_5}(p^2 = \mu^2) = \gamma_5.$$
⁽²²⁾

If $Z_{SP} \equiv Z_S = Z_P$, then we have

$$Z_{SP}Z_q(\Lambda_I \pm \Lambda_{\gamma_5}) = I \pm \gamma_5, \tag{23}$$

and thus

$$Z_{SP}Z_q \frac{1}{12} \operatorname{Tr}(\Lambda_I \pm \Lambda_{\gamma_5}) = 1.$$
 (24)

Eq. (6) and (9) give us

$$\Lambda_{I} \pm \Lambda_{\gamma_{5}} = S^{-1}(p) \left[\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} S_{i}(p|0)(I \pm \gamma_{5})\gamma_{5} \times S_{i}^{\dagger}(p|0)\gamma_{5} \right] S^{-1}(p).$$

$$(25)$$

For zero modes with positive chirality, $S_i(p|0)(I - \gamma_5) = 0$, while for zero modes with negative chirality, $S_i(p|0) \times (I + \gamma_5) = 0$. Therefore, the zero mode contribution in the Green function combination $G_S(p) \pm G_P(p)$ are removed. We can use Eq. (24) to obtain a Z_{SP} which has a suppressed zero mode contribution (Note that $S^{-1}(p)$ still contains zero modes).

Similarly, for vector and axial vector currents, Eq. (1) gives

$$Z_V Z_q \Lambda_{\gamma_\mu} (p^2 = \mu^2) = \gamma_\mu, \qquad (26)$$

and

$$Z_A Z_q \Lambda_{\gamma_\mu \gamma_5}(p^2 = \mu^2) = \gamma_\mu \gamma_5.$$
⁽²⁷⁾

Letting $Z_{VA} \equiv Z_V = Z_A$, we obtain

$$\gamma_{\mu} Z_{VA} Z_q (\Lambda_{\gamma_{\mu}} \pm \Lambda_{\gamma_{\mu} \gamma_5}) = I \pm \gamma_5$$
 (28)

and subsequently (after the index μ is averaged)

$$Z_{VA}Z_q \frac{1}{48} \operatorname{Tr}[(\Lambda_{\gamma_{\mu}} \pm \Lambda_{\gamma_{\mu}\gamma_5})\gamma_{\mu}] = 1.$$
 (29)

Similar to Eq. (25), we have

$$\Lambda_{\gamma_{\mu}} \pm \Lambda_{\gamma_{\mu}\gamma_{5}} = S^{-1}(p) \bigg[\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} S_{i}(p|0) \gamma_{\mu} (I \pm \gamma_{5}) \gamma_{5} \\ \times S_{i}^{\dagger}(p|0) \gamma_{5} \bigg] S^{-1}(p).$$
(30)

For zero modes with positive chirality, $S_i(p|0)\gamma_{\mu}(I + \gamma_5) = S_i(p|0)(I - \gamma_5)\gamma_{\mu} = 0$. For those with negative chirality, $S_i(p|0)\gamma_{\mu}(I - \gamma_5) = S_i(p|0)(I + \gamma_5)\gamma_{\mu} = 0$. Therefore, Z_{VA} calculated from Eq. (29) has a suppressed zero mode contribution.

III. NUMERICAL RESULTS

The data set that we use contains 40 gauge configurations in the quenched approximation with the Wilson gauge action. The lattice size is 16⁴ and the gauge coupling $\beta = 6.1$. The bare quark masses in lattice units are $am_q =$ 0.015, 0.020, 0.025, 0.035, 0.050 and 0.070. The lattice spacing *a* is (a): 0.08 fm determined from the interpolation formula of Ref. [20] using the Sommer parameter or (b): 0.09 fm from the measured rho mass. Therefore, $a\mu =$ 0.811 or $a\mu = 0.913$ corresponds to $\mu = 2$ GeV accordingly. The boundary conditions for the fermions are periodic in space and antiperiodic in the time direction. Therefore the momentum values are

$$ap_{\mu} = \left(\frac{2\pi}{N}k_{x}, \frac{2\pi}{N}k_{y}, \frac{2\pi}{N}k_{z}, \frac{\pi}{N}(2k_{t}+1)\right), \qquad (31)$$

where N = 16. The values of k_{μ} we used are $k_x = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, k_y = k_z = 0$ and $k_t = 0, 1, 2$. In the following analysis, the statistical errors are obtained by a Jackknife average with one configuration removed each time.

A. $Z_a^{RI'}$ and $Z_m^{RI'}$

The quark field renormalization constant $Z_q^{RI'}$ is calculated with Eq. (7). The results for two examples of bare

quark masses are shown in Fig. 1. The comparison between $Z_q^{RI'}$ obtained from the full propagator and the propagator with zero mode subtracted is also shown in the same graph. There is no difference within error bars. The small point-to-point irregularities in the figures (such as the three points near $a\mu = 1.1$ in Fig. 1) are a lattice discretization effect.

The full lattice quark propagator takes the form

$$S(p) = \frac{Z(p)}{i\gamma \cdot q(p) + M(p)}.$$
(32)

Here q(p) is the kinematic momentum depending on the lattice quark action one uses. At large momentum p, because of asymptotic freedom the propagator should go back to the free quark propagator, i.e. $Z(p) \rightarrow 1$ and M(p) should reduce to the bare quark mass. Figure 2 shows $(1/12)\text{Tr}(S^{-1}(p))$ versus ap for two examples of bare quark masses with S(p) determined from Eq. (10). Results from the full propagator and from the propagator with zero mode contribution subtracted are compared in the graph. As is expected, $(1/12)\text{Tr}(S^{-1}(p))$ approaches the bare quark mass at large momentum. Apparently, only at small momentum and small quark mass does the zero mode contribution make a difference.

If we define a renormalized quark mass $m(\mu)$ by

$$m(\mu) = Z_m(\mu)m_0, \tag{33}$$

where m_0 is the bare quark mass, then $Z_m(\mu)$ is fixed in the RI' scheme by

$$(Z_m^{RI'})^{-1} = \lim_{m \to 0} \frac{12m_0}{Z_q^{RI'} \operatorname{Tr}(S^{-1}(p))} \Big|_{p^2 = \mu^2}.$$
 (34)

At finite quark masses, the renormalization conditions of RI' scheme are compatible with the Ward identities [3,21] at large μ^2 , therefore we expect $Z_m^{RI'} = Z_S^{-1}$ at large μ^2 . The numerical results of $(Z_m^{RI'})^{-1}$ are shown in Fig. 3. The



FIG. 1. $Z_q^{Rl'}$ vs. $a\mu$ for bare quark mass $am_q = 0.020$ and 0.070. $Z_q^{Rl'}$ obtained from the full propagator (diamond) is compared with that obtained from the propagator with zero mode contribution subtracted (square).



FIG. 2. $(1/12)\text{Tr}(S^{-1}(p))$ vs. *ap* for bare quark masses $am_q = 0.020$ and 0.070. Results from the full propagator (diamond) and from the propagator with zero mode contribution subtracted (square) are compared. The zero mode contribution is important only at small momentum and small quark mass.



FIG. 3. $(Z_m^{Rl'})^{-1}$ for bare quark masses $am_q = 0.020$ and 0.070. Diamonds are from the full propagator and squares from the propagator with zero mode contribution subtracted.

error bar at small quark mass is large. A zero mode contribution is visible only at low momentum. We will compare $(Z_m^{RI'})^{-1}$ with Z_S later.

B. $Z_{S}^{RI'}$ and $Z_{P}^{RI'}$

The results for Z_S and Z_P are shown in Fig. 4. At low quark mass and momentum region, the zero mode subtracted propagators give different values of Z_S and Z_P (we will label them as Z_S^{NZ} and Z_P^{NZ} in the following) from those obtained with the full propagators. The pseudoscalar density couples to the Goldstone boson channel but the coupling is suppressed at large μ [3]. Therefore we see a difference between Z_S and Z_P at small μ , but no difference at large μ .

As was discussed in Sec. II, we can also use Eq. (24) to suppress the zero modes and obtain Z_{SP} . Figure 5 shows the results of Z_{SP} comparing with Z_S and Z_P . The Z_{SP} 's from configurations with topological charge $Q \ge 0$ and Q < 0 are quite close to each other. At small quark mass and small μ , Z_{SP} is apparently different from Z_S and Z_P as can be seen in the graph for $am_q = 0.020$ in Fig. 5. Z_{SP} agrees with Z_S^{NZ} and Z_P^{NZ} obtained from the zero mode subtracted propagators in Fig. 4 for $am_q = 0.020$. For large quark mass, for example $am_q = 0.070$, and small μ , Z_{SP} is close to Z_S but very different from Z_P . Z_{SP} from Eq. (24) is still contaminated by the coupling to the Goldstone boson. Thus, this means that suppressing the zero modes can suppress the coupling to the Goldstone boson. We do not see this behavior in Fig. 4 for $am_q = 0.070$. The Z_P^{NZ} from the zero mode subtracted propagator is very close to the Z_P from the full propagator. However, as we stated before, subtracting zero modes directly from the propagators amounts to a modification of the quenched theory. To further investigate the zero modes, a quenched artifact, simulations with dynamical fermions are necessary.

The comparison of $(Z_m^{RI'})^{-1}$ with $Z_S^{RI'}$ is given in Fig. 6. We see a good agreement between $(Z_m^{RI'})^{-1}$ and $Z_S^{RI'}$ at large μ as expected.

In Fig. 7–9, Z_S , Z_S^{NZ} , Z_P , Z_P^{NZ} and Z_{SP} (average from configurations with $Q \ge 0$ and Q < 0) are plotted versus



FIG. 4. Z_S and Z_P from the full propagators and the zero modes subtracted (labeled as Z_S^{NZ} and Z_P^{NZ}) propagators. The left is for quark mass $am_q = 0.020$, the right $am_q = 0.070$.



FIG. 5. Z_{SP} obtained by using Eq. (24) comparing with Z_S and Z_P . The left is for quark mass $am_q = 0.020$, the right $am_q = 0.070$. Q is the topological charge.



FIG. 6. $(Z_m^{RI'})^{-1}$ compared with $Z_S^{RI'}$. At large μ , $(Z_m^{RI'})^{-1} = Z_S^{RI'}$ is well satisfied.

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quark mass at $a\mu = 0.708$, 1.057 and 1.583 along with the extrapolation to the chiral limit. A linear fit is used for Z_S and Z_S^{NZ} . The data for Z_S , which is obtained from the full propagator, do not support a linear extrapolation, as is shown in Fig. 7. For Z_P , we see similar behavior as was seen in [5,7,22-24] since the pseudoscalar density couples to the Goldstone boson channel. As in [7,24], we use

$$\frac{1}{Z_P(\mu^2, m)} = \frac{A(\mu^2)}{am_q} + B(\mu^2) + C(\mu^2)(am_q)$$
(35)

to fit Z_P and then remove the pole term $A(\mu^2)/am_q$ to obtain $Z_P^{NP} \equiv B(\mu^2)^{-1}$ in the chiral limit. The fit is good as can be seen in Fig. 8. Figure 8 shows one example of a fit to Z_P as part of a single elimination jackknife.

We also use Eq. (35) to extrapolate Z_{SP} to the chiral limit to obtain $Z_{SP}^{NP} \equiv B(\mu^2)^{-1}$. The fit is shown in Fig. 9. Values of Z_S , Z_P^{NP} , Z_S^{NZ} , $(Z_P^{NZ})^{NP}$ and Z_{SP}^{NP} in the RI'

scheme in the chiral limit are listed in Table I. In the table,



FIG. 9. Extrapolation of Z_{SP} to the chiral limit using Eq. (35). Z_{SP} is the average from configurations with $Q \ge 0$ and Q < 0.



FIG. 7. Linear extrapolation of Z_s to the chiral limit. The left is for Z_s obtained from full propagators. The data do not support a linear extrapolation. We did it anyway just for comparison. The right is for Z_s obtained from zero mode subtracted propagators (labeled as Z_S^{NZ}). At small quark mass, Z_S and Z_S^{NZ} are very different.



FIG. 8. Extrapolation of Z_P to the chiral limit using Eq. (35). Z_P in the left graph is obtained by using the full propagator, while Z_P^{NZ} in the right graph is obtained by using the propagator with zero modes subtracted. Both are fits after the last configuration is dropped during the Jackknife average process.

TABLE I. Values of Z_S , Z_P^{NP} , Z_S^{NZ} , $(Z_P^{NZ})^{NP}$ and Z_{SP}^{NP} in the RI' scheme in the chiral limit. The $\overline{MS}(2 \text{ GeV})$ value is obtained from a linear interpolation from the two closest μ values of the data. The lattice spacing is (a): 0.08 fm from Sommer parameter or (b): 0.09 fm from the measured rho mass. Correspondingly, we get two $\overline{MS}(2 \text{ GeV})$ values. Z_S and Z_P^{NP} contain zero modes and are quite different from the Z's which contain no zero modes.

aμ	$\mu^{(a)}(\text{GeV})$	$\mu^{(b)}(\text{GeV})$	Z_S	Z_P^{NP}	Z_S^{NZ}	$(Z_P^{NZ})^{NP}$	Z_{SP}^{NP}
0.439	1.08	0.96		1.31(6)	0.43(2)	0.455(2)	0.642(2)
0.708	1.75	1.55	0.85(4)	0.97(1)	0.64(1)	0.631(1)	0.732(2)
0.982	2.42	2.15	0.89(3)	0.94(2)	0.753(9)	0.755(1)	0.828(2)
1.057	2.61	2.32	0.86(2)	0.887(9)	0.764(8)	0.7685(9)	0.7972(9)
1.194	2.95	2.62	0.89(2)	0.92(1)	0.805(5)	0.817(1)	0.8489(9)
1.583	3.91	3.47	0.90(1)	0.906(4)	0.860(5)	0.8611(3)	0.8874(6)
2.050	5.06	4.49	0.896(7)	0.901(2)	0.868(6)	0.8725(2)	0.8826(4)
$\overline{MS}^{(a)}$	2 GeV		1.01(2)	1.12(1)	0.79(5)	0.79(5)	0.89(4)
$\overline{MS}^{(b)}$		2 GeV	1.01(1)	1.091(9)	0.83(3)	0.83(4)	0.93(3)

the superscripts (*a*) and (*b*) indicate the two different ways of determining the lattice spacing. We could not get Z_S for the smallest momentum because the signal in our data is too noisy. Z_S and Z_P^{NP} are different from each other at small μ so that the \overline{MS} values of them differ from each other. The \overline{MS} values are obtained by using the conversion formulas in Sec. IV and a linear interpolation from the two closest μ value of the data. The quantities Z_S^{NZ} and $(Z_P^{NZ})^{NP}$ are our results using propagators from which zero modes are removed. They are in good agreement with each other, as expected from chiral symmetry, but are very different from Z_S and Z_P^{NP} . The analysis using Z_{SP}^{NP} is theoretically the cleanest of our choices, and it is what we will compare with perturbative calculations.

C. $Z_V^{RI'}$ and $Z_A^{RI'}$

In Fig. 10, the renormalization constants of the vector current Z_V and axial vector current Z_A are given. For

clarity, at each value of the momentum $a\mu$, the x-positions of Z_V and Z_A are shifted a little in the graph. As is shown in the graph, Z_V and Z_A are independent of the scale at large μ ($a\mu > 0.7$), and $Z_V = Z_A$ within statistical errors. At low μ , Z_A is bigger than Z_V . We think this happens because the axial vector current is coupled to the Goldstone boson. Z_V^{NZ} and Z_A^{NZ} obtained from quark propagators with zero modes subtracted are compared with Z_V and Z_A in Fig. 11. Apparently, zero modes have little effect on Z_V and Z_A . Z_{VA} obtained from Eq. (29) is shown in Fig. 12. It agrees with the average of Z_V and Z_A . This confirms that the zero mode contribution is not important in the computation of Z_V and Z_A .

The RI' scheme values of Z_V , Z_A , Z_V^{NZ} and Z_A^{NZ} in the chiral limit are given in Table II. The superscripts (*a*) and (*b*) in the table indicate the two different ways of determining the lattice spacing. The \overline{MS} values are obtained by using the conversion formulas in Sec. IV. $Z_V = Z_A$ is very well satisfied as expected since the overlap fermion re-



FIG. 10. Z_V, Z_A and their average versus $a\mu$ for quark masses $am_q = 0.020$ and 0.070. For clarity, at each value of the momentum $a\mu$, the x-positions of Z_V and Z_A are shifted a little.



FIG. 11. Z_V^{NZ} and Z_A^{NZ} compared with Z_V and Z_A for quark masses $am_q = 0.020$ and 0.070.



FIG. 12. Z_{VA} and $0.5(Z_V + Z_A)$ at the smallest quark mass $am_q = 0.015$.

spects chiral symmetry on the lattice. The linear extrapolation to the chiral limit is shown in Fig. 13.

IV. CONVERSION TO \overline{MS}

The ratio $Z_{\Gamma}^{\overline{MS}}(\mu^2)/Z_{\Gamma}^{Rl'}(\mu^2)$, which connects the \overline{MS} scheme to the RI' scheme, is computed by continuum perturbation theory. There is a need to determine the coupling constant $\alpha_s(\mu)$ in the ratio. We obtain $\alpha_s^{\overline{MS}}(\mu)$ by first measuring the trace of the plaquette operator U_{plaq} (the 1 × 1 Wilson loop), which gives us $\alpha_s^V(3.41/a)$ [10]. Then $a\Lambda_V$ and $a\Lambda_{\overline{MS}}$ are calculated. Finally $\alpha_s^{\overline{MS}}(\mu)$ is determined by

$$(\alpha_s^{\overline{MS}}(\mu))^{-1} = \beta_0 \ln(\mu/\Lambda_{\overline{MS}})^2 + (\beta_1/\beta_0) \ln(\mu/\Lambda_{\overline{MS}})^2,$$
(36)

where $\beta_0 = 11/4\pi$ and $\beta_1 = 102/16\pi^2$ for the quenched approximation. If the lattice spacing a = 0.08 fm from the Sommer parameter, we find $\alpha_s^{\overline{MS}}(\mu = 2 \text{ GeV}) = \alpha_s^{\overline{MS}}(0.811/a) = 0.2038$. If a = 0.09 fm from the measured rho mass, then $\alpha_s^{\overline{MS}}(\mu = 2 \text{ GeV}) = \alpha_s^{\overline{MS}}(0.913/a) = 0.1940$.

TABLE II. Values of Z_V , Z_A , Z_V^{NZ} and Z_A^{NZ} in the RI' scheme in the chiral limit. The $\overline{MS}(2 \text{ GeV})$ value is obtained from a linear interpolation from the two closest μ values of the data. The lattice spacing is (*a*): 0.08 fm from Sommer parameter or (*b*): 0.09 fm from the measured rho mass. Correspondingly, we get two $\overline{MS}(2 \text{ GeV})$ values.

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aμ	$\mu^{(a)}(\text{GeV})$	$\mu^{(b)}(\text{GeV})$	Z_V	Z_A	Z_V^{NZ}	Z_A^{NZ}
0.439	1.08	0.96	1.11(3)	1.17(4)	1.15(2)	1.16(3)
0.708	1.75	1.55	1.03(1)	1.03(1)	1.04(1)	1.04(1)
0.982	2.42	2.15	1.024(9)	1.026(10)	1.023(9)	1.022(9)
1.057	2.61	2.32	0.998(9)	1.000(9)	0.999(8)	0.999(8)
1.194	2.95	2.62	1.026(6)	1.029(6)	1.029(6)	1.029(6)
1.583	3.91	3.47	1.023(5)	1.023(6)	1.023(6)	1.023(6)
2.050	5.06	4.49	0.992(5)	0.992(5)	0.992(5)	0.992(5)
$\overline{MS}^{(a)}$	2 GeV		1.022(2)	1.023(1)	1.028(6)	1.028(7)
$\overline{MS}^{(b)}$		2 GeV	1.021(1)	1.022(1)	1.022(4)	1.022(4)



FIG. 13. Extrapolation of Z_V and Z_A to the chiral limit.

For the scalar and pseudoscalar densities, in Landau gauge and in 3-loop order, the conversion ratio is [21,25]

$$\frac{Z_{S}^{\overline{MS}}}{Z_{S}^{RI'}} = \frac{Z_{P}^{\overline{MS}}}{Z_{P}^{RI'}} = 1 + \frac{16}{3} \frac{\alpha_{s}}{4\pi} + \left(\frac{4291}{18} - \frac{152\zeta_{3}}{3}\right) \left(\frac{\alpha_{s}}{4\pi}\right)^{2} \\
+ \left(\frac{3890527}{324} - \frac{224993\zeta_{3}}{54} + \frac{2960\zeta_{5}}{9}\right) \left(\frac{\alpha_{s}}{4\pi}\right)^{3} \\
+ O(\alpha_{s}^{4}),$$
(37)

where ζ_n is the Riemann zeta function evaluated at *n*. Substituting $\alpha_s^{\overline{MS}}(\mu = 2 \text{ GeV}) = 0.2038 \text{ or } 0.1940$ into the above equation, we get $Z_S^{\overline{MS}}/Z_S^{RI'} = Z_P^{\overline{MS}}/Z_P^{RI'} = 1 + 0.08650 + 0.04668 + 0.03131 = 1.1645$ or 1 + 0.08234 + 0.04230 + 0.02701 = 1.1516.

For the vector and axial vector currents, since $Z_V^{RI} = Z_V^{\overline{MS}}$ and the difference between RI scheme and RI' scheme is only due to the different definition of the quark field renormalization constants, we have

$$\frac{Z_{A}^{\overline{MS}}}{Z_{A}^{RI'}} = \frac{Z_{V}^{\overline{MS}}}{Z_{V}^{RI'}} = \frac{Z_{V}^{RI}}{Z_{V}^{RI'}} = \frac{Z_{q}^{RI'}}{Z_{q}^{RI}} = \frac{Z_{q}^{RI'}/Z_{q}^{\overline{MS}}}{Z_{q}^{RI}/Z_{q}^{\overline{MS}}}.$$
 (38)

 $Z_q^{RI'}/Z_q^{\overline{MS}}$ and $Z_q^{RI}/Z_q^{\overline{MS}}$ were calculated in Ref. [21,25] to three loops, so we find

$$\frac{Z_A^{\overline{MS}}}{Z_A^{RI'}} = \frac{Z_V^{\overline{MS}}}{Z_V^{RI'}} = 1 - \frac{67}{6} \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{52321}{72} - \frac{607\zeta_3}{4}\right) \\ \times \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\right)^3 + O(\alpha_s^4).$$
(39)

The numerical value at $\mu = 2$ GeV is (1 + 0 - 0.00294 - 0.00232) = 0.9947 or (1 + 0 - 0.00266 - 0.00200) = 0.9953.

In Table I and II, the \overline{MS} values at $\mu = 2$ GeV are obtained from linear interpolations between the two closest μ values of the data.

V. COMPARISON WITH PERTURBATIVE CALCULATIONS

The perturbative calculation in Ref. [11] gives the lattice to \overline{MS} matching factor $Z_i = 1 + z_i \alpha_s(q^*)/3\pi$ at $a\mu = 1$. Here i = S, P, V and A for fermion bilinears. The values of z_i and the scale q^* are given in Table V in Ref. [11].

We may use $\alpha_s^V(q^*)$ run from $\alpha_s^V(3.41/a)$, as is determined from the plaquette [10] or $\alpha_s^{\overline{MS}}(q^*)$ from Eq. (36). The results of Z_i 's are listed in Table III. The ambiguity in the choice of α_s and q^* in perturbation theory is small. We have to run the result of $Z_{S,P}$ to $\mu = 2$ GeV to compare with our $\overline{MS}(2 \text{ GeV})$ value. We use the two loop formula for the running quark mass given in Ref. [26](Eq. (4.81)). If inverse lattice spacing is 1/a = 2.47 GeV the (a = 0.08 fm) from the Sommer parameter, then we find $Z_{S,P}(2 \text{ GeV}) = 0.975 \text{ from } Z_{S,P}(2.47 \text{ GeV}) = 1.009.$ If the inverse lattice spacing is 1/a = 2.19 GeV(a =0.09 fm) from the measured rho mass, then $Z_{S,P}(2 \text{ GeV}) =$ 0.995. In any case, the value of $Z_{S,P}$ from a perturbative calculation is quite close to 1, while our nonperturbative results 0.79(5)/0.89(4) or 0.83(4)/0.93(3) (see Table I) are not. Thus, the one-loop perturbative calculation of the matching factors for scalar and pseudoscalar density for HYP-planar overlap action seems unreliable.

Unlike Z_S or Z_P , Z_V and Z_A are scale independent. We can compare the values of $Z_{V,A}$ in Table III directly with our nonperturbative $\overline{MS}(2 \text{ GeV})$ results in Table II. All are quite close to 1 (the shift from one is less than 0.03). This

TABLE III. Values of $Z_{S,P}$ and $Z_{V,A}$ at $a\mu = 1$ for HYP-planar overlap action from perturbative calculation in Ref. [11].

	$\alpha_s^V(1.96/a)$	$\alpha_s^V(1.52/a)$	$\alpha_s^{\overline{MS}}(1.96/a)$	$\alpha_s^{\overline{MS}}(1.52/a)$
$Z_{S,P}$	1.010	1.011	1.008	1.009
$Z_{V,A}$	$\alpha_s^V(1.26/a) = 0.989$	$\alpha_s^V(1.46/a) = 0.990$	$\alpha_s^{\overline{MS}}(1.26/a)$ 0.991	$\alpha_s^{\overline{MS}}(1.46/a)$ 0.992

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indicates that we can believe in the perturbative calculations of Z_V and Z_A for the HYP-planar overlap action.

VI. SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

We calculated the renormalization constants of bilinear quark operators nonperturbatively using the HYP-planar overlap action with exact chiral symmetry. By comparing the results with those from perturbative computations, we find that a perturbative calculation is reliable for Z_V and Z_A , but not for Z_S and Z_P . The exact zero modes of the Dirac operator turn out to be important in calculating Z_S and Z_P , while not relevant in calculating Z_V and Z_A . Z_V and Z_A are also in good agreement with each other as is expected from the chiral symmetry of the action. We expect that zero modes will be much less important in simulations done with dynamical overlap quarks[27].

The perturbative result that actions using HYP-blocked links have matching factors quite close to unity is confirmed for vector and axial vector currents with our HYPplanar overlap action. This does not appear to be the case for the scalar and pseudoscalar densities.

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