

Nucleon form factors and distribution amplitudes in QCDI. V. Anikin,^{1,2} V. M. Braun,¹ and N. Offen¹¹*Institut für Theoretische Physik, Universität Regensburg, D-93040 Regensburg, Germany*²*Bogoliubov Laboratory of Theoretical Physics, JINR, 141980 Dubna, Russia*

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We derive light-cone sum rules for the electromagnetic nucleon form factors including the next-to-leading-order corrections for the contribution of twist-three and twist-four operators and a consistent treatment of the nucleon mass corrections. The essence of this approach is that soft Feynman contributions are calculated in terms of small transverse distance quantities using dispersion relations and duality. The form factors are thus expressed in terms of nucleon wave functions at small transverse separations, called distribution amplitudes, without any additional parameters. The distribution amplitudes, therefore, can be extracted from the comparison with the experimental data on form factors and compared to the results of lattice QCD simulations. A self-consistent picture emerges, with the three valence quarks carrying 40%:30%:30% of the proton momentum.

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I. INTRODUCTION

It is generally accepted that studies of hard exclusive reactions and in particular hadron form factors at large momentum transfer give access to different aspects of the internal structure of hadrons as compared to inclusive reactions so that these two options are to a large extent complementary to each other. The QCD factorization approach to exclusive processes [1–3] introduces the concept of hadron distribution amplitudes (DAs), which can be thought of as momentum fraction distributions in configurations with a fixed number of Fock constituents (quarks, antiquarks, and gluons) at small transverse separations. It is argued that in the formal $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty$ limit, form factors can be written in a factorized form, as a convolution of DAs related to hadrons in the initial and final state times a “short-distance” coefficient function that is calculable in QCD perturbation theory. The leading contribution corresponds to DAs with a minimal possible number of constituents—three for baryons and two for mesons. Thus, in this framework, measurements of form factors at large momentum transfer Q provide one with the information on valence quark distributions inside hadrons in rare configurations where they are separated by a small transverse distance of the order of $1/Q$. This, classical, factorization approach faces conceptual difficulties in the application to baryons [4–6] but, probably more importantly, seems to be failing phenomenologically for realistic momentum transfers accessible in current or planned experiments. The problem is simply that each hard gluon exchange is accompanied by the α_s/π factor, which is a standard perturbation theory penalty for each extra loop. If, say, $\alpha_s/\pi \sim 0.1$, the factorizable contribution to baryon form factors is suppressed by a factor of 100 compared to the “soft” (end point) contributions, which are suppressed by a power of $1/Q^2$ but do not involve small coefficients. Hence, the collinear factorization regime is approached

very slowly. There is overwhelming evidence from model calculations that soft contributions play the dominant role at present energies. Taking into account soft contributions is challenging because they involve a nontrivial overlap of nonperturbative wave functions of the initial and the final state hadrons and are not factorizable, i.e., cannot be simplified further in terms of simpler inputs. One possibility is to use transverse-momentum dependent light-cone wave functions $\Psi(x, k_\perp)$ in combination with Sudakov suppression of large transverse separations following the approach suggested initially by Li and Serman [7] for the pion form factor. Another possibility, which we advocate in this work, is to calculate the soft contributions to the form factors as an expansion in terms of nucleon DAs of increasing twist using dispersion relations and duality. This technique is known as light-cone sum rules (LCSRs) [8]. It is attractive because in LCSRs, soft contributions to the form factors are calculated in terms of the same DAs that enter the perturbative QCD calculation, and there is no double counting. Thus, the LCSRs provide one with the most direct relation of the hadron form factors and DAs that is available at present, with no other nonperturbative parameters. The basic object of the LCSR approach to baryon form factors [9,10] is the correlation function

$$\int dx e^{-iqx} \langle 0 | T \{ \eta(0) j(x) \} | P \rangle,$$

in which j represents the electromagnetic (or weak) probe and η is a suitable operator with nucleon quantum numbers. The other (in this example, initial state) nucleon is explicitly represented by its state vector $|P\rangle$; see a schematic representation in Fig. 1. The LCSR is obtained by comparing (matching) of two different representations for the correlation function. On the one hand, when both the momentum transfer Q^2 and the momentum $(P')^2 = (P - q)^2$ flowing in the η vertex are large and negative, the main contribution to the integral comes from the light-cone

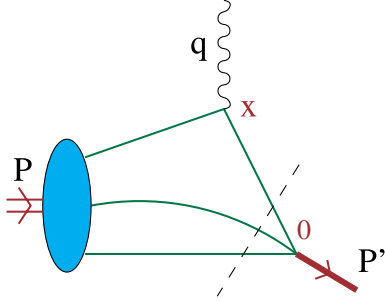


FIG. 1 (color online). Schematic structure of the light-cone sum rule for baryon form factors.

region $x^2 \rightarrow 0$ and can be studied using the operator product expansion (OPE) of the time-ordered product $T\{\eta(0)j(x)\}$. The x^2 singularity of a particular contribution is determined by the twist of the relevant composite operator for which the matrix element $\langle 0 | \dots | P \rangle$ is related to the nucleon DA. On the other hand, one can represent the answer in the form of the dispersion integral in $(P')^2$ and define the nucleon contribution by the cutoff in the quark-antiquark invariant mass, the so-called interval of duality s_0 (or continuum threshold). The main role of the interval of duality is that it does not allow large momenta $|k^2| > s_0$ to flow through the η vertex; to the lowest order $O(\alpha_s^0)$, one obtains a purely soft contribution to the form factor as a sum of terms ordered by the twist of the relevant operators and hence including both the leading- and the higher-twist nucleon DAs. Note that the contribution of higher-twist DAs is suppressed by powers of the continuum threshold (or by powers of the Borel parameter after applying the usual QCD sum rule machinery) but not by powers of Q^2 , the reason being that soft contributions are not constrained to small transverse separations. The LCSR approach is not new and has been used successfully for the calculations of pion electromagnetic and also weak B -decay form factors. In both cases this technique has reached a certain degree of maturity; see Refs. [11–13] for several recent state-of-the-art calculations. The LCSRs for baryon form factors are more complicated and remain to be, comparatively, at an exploratory stage. Following the first formulation of the LCSRs for the electromagnetic form factors in Ref. [9], there have been several studies aimed at finding an optimal nucleon interpolation current [10,14–16] and extending this technique to other elastic or transition form factors of interest. LCSRs for the axial nucleon form factor were presented in Refs. [10,15,17], for the scalar form factor in Ref. [18], and for the tensor form factor in Ref. [19]. A generalization to the full baryon octet was considered, e.g., in Ref. [20]. Application of the same technique to $N\gamma\Delta$ transitions was suggested in Refs. [15,21] and to pion production at threshold in Ref. [22]. LCSRs for weak baryon decays $\Lambda_b \rightarrow p$, $\Lambda\ell\nu_\ell$, etc., were studied in Refs. [23–26], etc. In order to make the LCSR technique fully quantitative, one needs to include the next-to-leading

order (NLO) QCD corrections to the coefficient functions of the DAs, which is the standard accepted in B decays. Calculation of these corrections for twist-three and twist-four contributions to the LCSRs for the nucleon electromagnetic form factors $F_1(Q^2)$ and $F_2(Q^2)$ is the goal and main result of this paper. This task was already partially addressed in Ref. [27]; we will comment on the relation of our calculation to the results of Ref. [27] in what follows. In addition, we are able to organize the higher-twist contributions related to nucleon mass corrections in a more systematic way, which reduces the corresponding uncertainties. The presentation is organized as follows. Section II is introductory and summarizes the present status of the LCSR approach. We collect there the necessary definitions and explain our notation. The general structure of LCSRs is explained, and the leading-order (LO) sum rules are given following Ref. [10]. We also include new results concerning the so-called Wandzura–Wilczek contributions to higher-twist DAs. In Sec. III we describe our calculation of the NLO corrections for the contributions of (collinear) twist-three and twist-four operators. The numerical analysis of the sum rules is presented in Sec. IV, whereas the final section, Sec. V, is reserved for a summary and conclusions. The paper contains several appendices. In Appendix A we explain a general renormalization scheme for three-quark operators [28], which is used throughout the calculation. Appendix B contains a summary of nucleon DAs and Appendix C an update on the light-cone expansion of three-quark currents. New results there are the twist-four contribution to the three-quark matrix element with generic quark positions off the lightcone and a new derivation of the twist-five contribution (to leading order). Appendix D contains a summary of special functions that appear in the NLO calculations and their Borel transform. The final appendix, Appendix E, contains a summary of the NLO coefficient functions to the twist-four accuracy.

II. PRELIMINARIES

A. Distribution amplitudes

The LCSR approach allows one to calculate form factors for the range of momentum transfers accessible in present day experiments in terms of quark distributions at small transverse separations, dubbed distribution amplitudes. Conversely, the experimental data on form factors, analyzed in this framework, can be used to determine (constrain) the DAs, which are fundamental nonperturbative functions describing certain aspects of the nucleon structure and are complementary to usual parton distributions. The leading twist-three nucleon (proton) DA $\varphi_N(x_i, \mu)$ is defined by the matrix element [29,30]

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle 0 | \epsilon^{ijk} (u_i^\dagger(a_1 n) C \not{n} u_j^\dagger(a_2 n)) \not{n} d_k^\dagger(a_3 n) | P \rangle \\ & = -\frac{1}{2} f_N P n \not{n} N^\dagger(P) \int [dx] e^{-iPn} \sum x_i a_i \varphi_N(x_i), \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

where $q^{(0)} = (1/2)(1 \pm \gamma_5)q$ are quark fields of given helicity; P_μ is the proton momentum with $P^2 = m_N^2$. $N(P)$ is the usual Dirac spinor in relativistic normalization, n_μ is an auxiliary lightlike vector $n^2 = 0$, and C is the charge-conjugation matrix. The Wilson lines that ensure gauge invariance are inserted between the quarks; they are not shown for brevity. The normalization constant f_N is defined in such a way that

$$\int [dx] \varphi_N(x_i) = 1, \quad (2)$$

where

$$\int [dx] = \int_0^1 dx_1 dx_2 dx_3 \delta\left(\sum x_i - 1\right). \quad (3)$$

The DA $\varphi_N(x_i, \mu)$ can be viewed, somewhat imprecisely, as the collinear limit of the light-cone wave function corresponding to the valence three-quark proton state with zero orbital angular momentum [3]

$$f_N(\mu) \varphi_N(x_i, \mu) \sim \int_{|\vec{k}_i| < \mu} [d^2 \vec{k}] \Psi_N(x_i, \vec{k}_i), \quad (4)$$

where the integration goes over the set of quark transverse momenta \vec{k}_i . Thus, f_N can be interpreted as the nucleon wave function at the origin (in position space). The DAs are, in general, scheme and scale dependent, and in the calculation of physical observables, this dependence is cancelled by the corresponding dependence of the coefficient functions. The DA $\varphi_N(x_i, \mu)$ can be expanded in the set of orthogonal polynomials $\mathcal{P}_{nk}(x_i)$ defined as eigenfunctions of the corresponding one-loop evolution equation,

$$\varphi_N(x_i, \mu) = 120 x_1 x_2 x_3 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \varphi_{nk}(\mu) \mathcal{P}_{nk}(x_i), \quad (5)$$

where

$$\int [dx] x_1 x_2 x_3 \mathcal{P}_{nk}(x_i) \mathcal{P}_{n'k'}(x_i) \propto \delta_{nn'} \delta_{kk'}, \quad (6)$$

and to one-loop accuracy

$$\begin{aligned} f_N(\mu) &= f_N(\mu_0) \left(\frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\alpha_s(\mu_0)} \right)^{2/(3\beta_0)}, \\ \varphi_{nk}(\mu) &= \varphi_{nk}(\mu_0) \left(\frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\alpha_s(\mu_0)} \right)^{\gamma_{nk}/\beta_0}. \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

Here $\beta_0 = 11 - \frac{2}{3}n_f$ and γ_{nk} are the corresponding anomalous dimensions. The double sum in Eq. (5) goes over all existing orthogonal polynomials $\mathcal{P}_{nk}(x_i)$, $k = 0, \dots, n$, of degree n . One can show that all eigenfunctions of the evolution equations, $\mathcal{P}_{nk}(x_i)$, have definite parity under the interchange of the first and the third argument, i.e., $\mathcal{P}_{nk}(x_3, x_2, x_1) = \pm \mathcal{P}_{nk}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ [31]. The first few polynomials are

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_{00} &= 1, & \mathcal{P}_{10} &= 21(x_1 - x_3), \\ \mathcal{P}_{11} &= 7(x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3), \\ \mathcal{P}_{20} &= \frac{63}{10} [3(x_1 - x_3)^2 - 3x_2(x_1 + x_3) + 2x_2^2], \\ \mathcal{P}_{21} &= \frac{63}{2} (x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3)(x_1 - x_3), \\ \mathcal{P}_{22} &= \frac{9}{5} [x_1^2 + 9x_2(x_1 + x_3) - 12x_1x_3 - 6x_2^2 + x_3^2], \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

and the corresponding anomalous dimensions are [32]

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{00} &= 0, & \gamma_{10} &= \frac{20}{9}, & \gamma_{11} &= \frac{8}{3}, \\ \gamma_{20} &= \frac{32}{9}, & \gamma_{21} &= \frac{40}{9}, & \gamma_{22} &= \frac{14}{3}. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

The normalization condition (2) implies that $\varphi_{00} = 1$. In what follows we will refer to the coefficients $\varphi_{nk}(\mu_0)$ with $n = 1, 2, \dots$, as shape parameters. The set of these coefficients together with the normalization constant $f_N(\mu_0)$ at a reference scale μ_0 specifies the momentum fraction distribution of valence quarks in the nucleon. They are nonperturbative quantities that can be related to matrix elements of local gauge-invariant three-quark operators and calculated, e.g., on the lattice [33,34]. In the last twenty years, there has been mounting evidence that the simple-minded picture of a proton with the three valence quarks in an S wave is insufficient, so that, for example, the proton spin is definitely not constructed from the quark spins alone and also the electromagnetic Pauli form factor $F_2(Q^2)$ involves quark orbital angular momenta. As shown in Ref. [35], the light-cone wave functions with $L_z = \pm 1$ are reduced, in the limit of small transverse separation, to the twist-four nucleon DAs introduced in Ref. [30],

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle 0 | \epsilon^{ijk} (u_i^\dagger(a_1 n) C \not{n} u_j^\dagger(a_2 n)) \not{n} d_k^\dagger(a_3 n) | P \rangle \\ &= -\frac{1}{4} p n \not{n} N^\dagger(P) \int [dx] e^{-ipn} \sum_{x_i a_i} \\ &\quad \times [f_N \Phi_4^{WW}(x_i) + \lambda_1^N \Phi_4(x_i)], \\ &\langle 0 | \epsilon^{ijk} (u_i^\dagger(a_1 n) C \not{n} \gamma_\perp \not{n} u_j^\dagger(a_2 n)) \gamma_\perp \not{n} d_k^\dagger(a_3 n) | P \rangle \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} m_N p n \not{n} N^\dagger(P) \int [dx] e^{-ipn} \sum_{x_i a_i} \\ &\quad \times [f_N \Psi_4^{WW}(x_i) - \lambda_1^N \Psi_4(x_i)], \\ &\langle 0 | \epsilon^{ijk} (u_i^\dagger(a_1 n) C \not{n} \not{n} u_j^\dagger(a_2 n)) \not{n} d_k^\dagger(a_3 n) | P \rangle \\ &= \frac{\lambda_2^N}{12} m_N p n \not{n} N^\dagger(P) \int [dx] e^{-ipn} \sum_{x_i a_i} \Xi_4(x_i), \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

where $\Phi_4^{WW}(x_i)$ and $\Psi_4^{WW}(x_i)$ are the so-called Wandzura-Wilczek contributions. They can be expressed in terms of the leading-twist DA $\varphi_N(x_i)$ as follows [31]:

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_4^{WW}(x_i) &= -\sum_{n,k} \frac{240\varphi_{nk}}{(n+2)(n+3)} \left(n+2 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}\right) \\ &\quad \times x_1 x_2 x_3 \mathcal{P}_{nk}(x_1, x_2, x_3), \\ \Psi_4^{WW}(x_i) &= -\sum_{n,k} \frac{240\varphi_{nk}}{(n+2)(n+3)} \left(n+2 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}\right) \\ &\quad \times x_1 x_2 x_3 \mathcal{P}_{nk}(x_2, x_1, x_3).\end{aligned}\quad (11)$$

The two new constants λ_1^N and λ_2^N are defined in such a way that the integrals of the ‘‘genuine’’ twist-four DAs Φ_4 , Ψ_4 , Ξ_4 are normalized to unity, similar to Eq. (2). They have the same scale dependence to the one-loop accuracy:

$$\lambda_{1,2}^N(\mu) = \lambda_{1,2}^N(\mu_0) \left(\frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\alpha_s(\mu_0)}\right)^{-2/\beta_0}. \quad (12)$$

Similar to the leading twist, the twist-four DAs can be expanded in a set of orthogonal polynomials that are eigenfunctions of the one-loop evolution equations, but the difference is that starting from second order, one has to take into account mixing with four-particle (three-quark + gluon) operators. Since at present there is very little information on the nucleon quark-gluon wave functions (see, however, Ref. [36]), in this work we prefer to stay within a three-quark description and, for consistency, truncate the expansion of Φ_4 , Ψ_4 , Ξ_4 at the first order. To this accuracy one obtains [31]

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_4(x_i, \mu) &= 24x_1 x_2 \{1 + \eta_{10}(\mu) \mathcal{R}_{10}(x_3, x_1, x_2) \\ &\quad - \eta_{11}(\mu) \mathcal{R}_{11}(x_3, x_1, x_2)\}, \\ \Psi_4(x_i, \mu) &= 24x_1 x_3 \{1 + \eta_{10}(\mu) \mathcal{R}_{10}(x_2, x_3, x_1) \\ &\quad + \eta_{11}(\mu) \mathcal{R}_{11}(x_2, x_3, x_1)\}, \\ \Xi_4(x_i, \mu) &= 24x_2 x_3 \left\{1 + \frac{9}{4} \xi_{10}(\mu) \mathcal{R}_{10}(x_1, x_3, x_2)\right\},\end{aligned}\quad (13)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{R}_{10}(x_1, x_2, x_3) &= 4\left(x_1 + x_2 - \frac{3}{2}x_3\right), \\ \mathcal{R}_{11}(x_1, x_2, x_3) &= \frac{20}{3}\left(x_1 - x_2 + \frac{1}{2}x_3\right)\end{aligned}\quad (14)$$

and $\eta_{10}(\mu)$, $\eta_{11}(\mu)$, $\xi_{10}(\mu)$ are the new shape parameters. The corresponding one-loop anomalous dimensions are [31]

$$\gamma_{10}^{(\eta)} = \frac{20}{9}, \quad \gamma_{11}^{(\eta)} = 4, \quad \gamma_{10}^{(\xi)} = \frac{10}{3}. \quad (15)$$

The three-quark twist-five distributions are the next in complexity and correspond to taking into account the transverse momentum dependence (terms $\sim k_\perp^2$) in the collinear limit of the light-cone wave functions with $L_z = 0, \pm 1$ and also higher partial waves. They can be written as [30]

$$\begin{aligned}\langle 0 | \epsilon^{ijk} (u_i^\dagger(a_1 n) C \not{p} u_j^\dagger(a_2 n)) \not{p} d_k^\dagger(a_3 n) | P \rangle \\ = -\frac{1}{8} m_N^2 \not{N}^\dagger(P) \int [dx] e^{-ipn \sum x_i a_i} \\ \times [f_N \Phi_5^{WWW}(x_i) + \lambda_1^N \Phi_5^{WW}(x_i) + \Phi_5(x_i)], \\ \langle 0 | \epsilon^{ijk} (u_i^\dagger(a_1 n) C \not{p} \gamma_\perp \not{u}_j^\dagger(a_2 n)) \gamma^\perp \not{p} d_k^\dagger(a_3 n) | P \rangle \\ = -\frac{1}{2} m_N p n \not{N}^\dagger(P) \int [dx] e^{-ipn \sum x_i a_i} \\ \times [f_N \Psi_5^{WWW}(x_i) - \lambda_1^N \Psi_5^{WW}(x_i) + \Psi_5(x_i)], \\ \langle 0 | \epsilon^{ijk} (u_i^\dagger(a_1 n) C \not{p} \not{u}_j^\dagger(a_2 n)) \not{p} d_k^\dagger(a_3 n) | P \rangle \\ = \frac{1}{12} m_N p n \not{N}^\dagger(P) \int [dx] e^{-ipn \sum x_i a_i} \\ \times [\lambda_2^N \Xi_5^{WW}(x_i) + \Xi_5(x_i)],\end{aligned}\quad (16)$$

where $\Phi_5^{WWW}(x_i)$ and $\Phi_5^{WW}(x_i)$ (and similar for other DAs) are the Wandzura–Wilczek-type contributions related to twist-three and twist-four operators, respectively. One can show that

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_5^{WWW}(x_i) &= \sum_{n,k} \frac{240\varphi_{nk}}{(n+2)(n+3)} \\ &\quad \times \left[\left(n+2 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}\right) \left(n+1 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}\right) - (n+2)^2 \right] \\ &\quad \times x_1 x_2 x_3 \mathcal{P}_{nk}(x_1, x_2, x_3), \\ \Psi_5^{WWW}(x_i) &= \sum_{n,k} \frac{240\varphi_{nk}}{(n+2)(n+3)} \\ &\quad \times \left[\left(n+2 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}\right) \left(n+1 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}\right) - (n+2)^2 \right] \\ &\quad \times x_1 x_2 x_3 \mathcal{P}_{nk}(x_2, x_1, x_3),\end{aligned}\quad (17)$$

and, for the models in Eq. (13),

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_5^{WW}(x_i) &= -24 \left[\frac{1}{3} \left(1 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}\right) x_2 x_3 + \frac{1}{8} \left(2 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}\right) x_2 x_3 \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times [\eta_{10} \mathcal{R}_{10}(x_1, x_3, x_2) + \eta_{11} \mathcal{R}_{11}(x_1, x_3, x_2)] \right], \\ \Psi_5^{WW}(x_i) &= -24 \left[\frac{1}{3} \left(1 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}\right) x_1 x_2 + \frac{1}{8} \left(2 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}\right) x_1 x_2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times [\eta_{10} \mathcal{R}_{10}(x_3, x_2, x_1) - \eta_{11} \mathcal{R}_{11}(x_3, x_2, x_1)] \right], \\ \Xi_5^{WW}(x_i) &= 24 \left[\frac{1}{3} \left[\left(1 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}\right) x_1 x_3 - 2 \left(1 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}\right) x_1 x_2 \right] \right. \\ &\quad + \frac{9}{32} \xi_{10} \left(2 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}\right) x_1 x_3 \mathcal{R}_{10}(x_2, x_3, x_1) \\ &\quad - \frac{9}{32} \xi_{10} \left(2 - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}\right) [\mathcal{R}_{10}(x_3, x_1, x_2) \\ &\quad \left. + \mathcal{R}_{10}(x_3, x_2, x_1)] \right].\end{aligned}\quad (18)$$

The expressions in Eqs. (17) and (18) are new results. Their derivation and the generalization of Eq. (18) to arbitrary DAs will be presented elsewhere. The genuine twist-five distributions Φ_5 , Ψ_5 , Ξ_5 are not known apart from that their normalization integrals and the first moments must vanish from general considerations, e.g.,

$$\int [dx] \Phi_5(x_i) = \int [dx] x_k \Phi_5(x_i) = 0, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \quad (19)$$

and similarly for Ψ_5 , Ξ_5 . In our analysis these contributions will be neglected, which is consistent with neglecting four-particle nucleon DA terms that involve an additional gluon. In practical calculations it is convenient to work with the expression for the renormalized three-quark light-ray operator with open Dirac indices in terms of the DAs. The necessary formulas are collected in Appendix B.

B. LCSRs for nucleon form factors: General structure

The matrix element of the electromagnetic current

$$j_\mu^{\text{em}}(x) = e_u \bar{u}(x) \gamma_\mu u(x) + e_d \bar{d}(x) \gamma_\mu d(x) \quad (20)$$

taken between nucleon states is conventionally written in terms of the Dirac and Pauli form factors $F_1(Q^2)$ and $F_2(Q^2)$,

$$\langle P' | j_\mu^{\text{em}}(0) | P \rangle = \bar{N}(P') \left[\gamma_\mu F_1(Q^2) - i \frac{\sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu}{2m_N} F_2(Q^2) \right] N(P), \quad (21)$$

where P_μ is the initial nucleon momentum, $P^2 = m_N^2$, $P' = P - q$, $Q^2 := -q^2$, $\sigma_{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{2} [\gamma_\mu, \gamma_\nu]$, and $N(P)$ is the nucleon spinor. Experimental data on the scattering of electrons off nucleons, e.g., $e^- + p \rightarrow e^- + p$, are often presented in terms of the electric $G_E(Q^2)$ and magnetic $G_M(Q^2)$ Sachs form factors, which are related to $F_{1,2}(Q^2)$ as

$$G_M(Q^2) = F_1(Q^2) + F_2(Q^2), \quad (22)$$

$$G_E(Q^2) = F_1(Q^2) - \frac{Q^2}{4m_N^2} F_2(Q^2). \quad (23)$$

The LCSR approach allows one to calculate the form factors in terms of the nucleon (proton) DAs introduced in Sec. II A. To this end we consider the correlation function

$$T_\nu(P, q) = i \int d^4x e^{iqx} \langle T[\eta(0) j_\nu^{\text{em}}(x)] | P \rangle, \quad (24)$$

where T denotes time ordering and $\eta(0)$ is the Ioffe interpolating current [37]

$$\begin{aligned} \eta(x) &= \epsilon^{ijk} [u^i(x) C \gamma_\mu u^j(x)] \gamma_5 \gamma^\mu d^k(x), \\ \langle 0 | \eta(0) | P \rangle &= \lambda_1 m_N N(P). \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

We use the standard Bjorken–Drell convention [38] for the metric and the Dirac matrices; in particular, $\gamma_5 = i\gamma^0\gamma^1\gamma^2\gamma^3$, $C = i\gamma^2\gamma^0$, and the Levi-Civita tensor $\epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}$ is defined as the totally antisymmetric tensor with $\epsilon_{0123} = 1$. The choice of the nucleon current is discussed at length in Ref. [10]. There is strong evidence that the Ioffe current gives rise to more accurate and reliable sum rules as compared to other possible choices; for example, the QCD sum rule estimates for the corresponding coupling λ_1 (see Ref. [39] for an update and further references) agree very well with the lattice calculations [33]. The correlation function in Eq. (24) contains many different Lorentz structures that can be separated using light-cone projections. We define a lightlike vector n_μ by the condition

$$q \cdot n = 0, \quad n^2 = 0 \quad (26)$$

and introduce the second lightlike vector as

$$p_\mu = P_\mu - \frac{1}{2} n_\mu \frac{m_N^2}{P \cdot n}, \quad p^2 = 0, \quad (27)$$

so that $P \rightarrow p$ in the infinite momentum frame $P \cdot n \rightarrow \infty$ or if the nucleon mass can be neglected, $m_N \rightarrow 0$. We also introduce the projector onto the directions orthogonal to p and n ,

$$g_{\perp\nu}^\perp = g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{pn} (p_\mu n_\nu + p_\nu n_\mu), \quad (28)$$

and will sometimes use the shorthand notation

$$a_+ \equiv a_\mu n^\mu, \quad a_- \equiv a_\mu p^\mu, \quad a_{\perp\mu} \equiv g_{\perp\nu}^\perp a^\nu \quad (29)$$

for γ matrices and arbitrary Lorentz vectors a_μ . The photon momentum can be written as

$$q_\mu = q_{\perp\mu} + n_\mu \frac{Pq}{Pn} = q_{\perp\mu} + n_\mu \frac{pq}{pn}. \quad (30)$$

Last but not least, we define projection operators

$$\Lambda^+ = \frac{\not{p}\not{n}}{2pn}, \quad \Lambda^- = \frac{\not{n}\not{p}}{2pn} \quad (31)$$

that pick up the “plus” and “minus” components of a spinor, $N^\pm(P) = \Lambda^\pm N(P)$. Note the useful relations,

$$\not{p}N(P) = m_N N^+(P), \quad \not{n}N(P) = \frac{2pn}{m_N} N^-(P), \quad (32)$$

that follow from the Dirac equation $(\not{p} - m_N)N(P) = 0$. It is easy to check that $N^+ \sim \sqrt{p^+}$ and $N^- \sim 1/\sqrt{p^+}$ in the infinite momentum frame $p_+ \rightarrow \infty$. Lorentz structures that are most useful for writing the LCSRs are usually those containing the maximum power of the large momentum p_+ . Following Refs. [9,10] we consider in what follows the plus spinor projection of the correlation function (24) involving the plus component of the electromagnetic

current, which can be parametrized in terms of two invariant functions,

$$\Lambda_+ T_+ = p_+ \{m_N \mathcal{A}(Q^2, P'^2) + \not{q}_\perp \mathcal{B}(Q^2, P'^2)\} N^+(P), \quad (33)$$

where $Q^2 = -q^2$ and $P'^2 = (P - q)^2$. The correlation functions $\mathcal{A}(Q^2, P'^2)$ and $\mathcal{B}(Q^2, P'^2)$ can be calculated in QCD for sufficiently large Euclidean momenta $Q^2, -P'^2 \gtrsim 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ using the OPE (see the next section). The results can be presented in the form of a dispersion relation,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}^{\text{QCD}}(Q^2, P'^2) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{ds}{s - P'^2} \text{Im} \mathcal{A}^{\text{QCD}}(Q^2, s) + \dots \\ \mathcal{B}^{\text{QCD}}(Q^2, P'^2) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{ds}{s - P'^2} \text{Im} \mathcal{B}^{\text{QCD}}(Q^2, s) + \dots, \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

where the ellipses stand for necessary subtractions. On the other hand, the same correlation functions can be written in terms of physical spectral densities that contain a nucleon (proton) pole at $P'^2 \rightarrow m_N^2$, the nucleon resonances, and the continuum. It is easy to see that the nucleon contribution is proportional to the electromagnetic form factor, whereas the contribution of higher mass states can be taken into account using quark-hadron duality,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}^{\text{phys}}(Q^2, P'^2) &= \frac{2\lambda_1 F_1(Q^2)}{m_N^2 - P'^2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \\ &\quad \times \int_{s_0}^\infty \frac{ds}{s - P'^2} \text{Im} \mathcal{A}^{\text{QCD}}(Q^2, s) + \dots \\ \mathcal{B}^{\text{phys}}(Q^2, P'^2) &= \frac{\lambda_1 F_2(Q^2)}{m_N^2 - P'^2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \\ &\quad \times \int_{s_0}^\infty \frac{ds}{s - P'^2} \text{Im} \mathcal{B}^{\text{QCD}}(Q^2, s) + \dots, \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

where $s_0 \simeq (1.5 \text{ GeV})^2$ is the interval of duality (also called continuum threshold). Matching the two above representations and making the Borel transformation that eliminates subtraction constants

$$\frac{1}{s - P'^2} \rightarrow e^{-s/M^2}, \quad (36)$$

one obtains the sum rules

$$\begin{aligned} 2\lambda_1 F_1(Q^2) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{s_0} ds e^{(m_N^2 - s)/M^2} \text{Im} \mathcal{A}^{\text{QCD}}(Q^2, s), \\ \lambda_1 F_2(Q^2) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{s_0} ds e^{(m_N^2 - s)/M^2} \text{Im} \mathcal{B}^{\text{QCD}}(Q^2, s). \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

The dependence on the Borel parameter M^2 is unphysical and has to disappear in the full QCD calculation. It is in this sense similar to the scale dependence of perturbative QCD calculations at a given order and can be used as one of the indicators of the theoretical uncertainty. The new contribution of this paper is the calculation of the correlation functions $\mathcal{A}(Q^2, P'^2)$ and $\mathcal{B}(Q^2, P'^2)$ to the NLO accuracy. This calculation is described in the next section.

C. Leading-order LCSRs

The correlation functions $\mathcal{A}(Q^2, P'^2)$ and $\mathcal{B}(Q^2, P'^2)$ can be written as a sum of contributions of the u, d quarks interacting with the electromagnetic probe, weighted with the corresponding charges:

$$\mathcal{A} = e_d \mathcal{A}_d + e_u \mathcal{A}_u, \quad \mathcal{B} = e_d \mathcal{B}_d + e_u \mathcal{B}_u. \quad (38)$$

Each of the functions has a perturbative expansion, which we write as

$$\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}^{\text{LO}} + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{3\pi} \mathcal{A}^{\text{NLO}} + \dots \quad (39)$$

and similarly for \mathcal{B} ; μ is the renormalization scale. The leading-order expressions are available from Refs. [9,10]. For consistency with our NLO calculation, we rewrite these results in a somewhat different form, expanding all kinematic factors in powers of m_N^2/Q^2 : We keep all corrections $\mathcal{O}(m_N^2/Q^2)$ but neglect terms $\mathcal{O}(m_N^4/Q^4)$, etc., which is consistent with taking into account contributions of twist three, four, and five (and, partially, twist six) in the OPE. It proves to be convenient to write all expressions in terms of the dimensionless variable [27]

$$W = 1 + P'^2/Q^2, \quad \text{where } P' = P - q \quad (40)$$

so that, e.g.,

$$(q - xP)^2 = Q^2[-1 + xW - x\bar{x}m_N^2/Q^2], \quad (41)$$

where

$$\bar{x} = 1 - x. \quad (42)$$

We also introduce a set of ‘‘standard’’ functions (cf. Appendix D)

$$g_k(x; W) = \frac{1}{[-1 + xW]^k} = \left[\frac{Q^2}{xP'^2 - \bar{x}Q^2} \right]^k \quad (43)$$

that absorb all momentum dependence. Using the expressions from Ref. [10], one obtains after some algebra

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q^2 \mathcal{A}_d^{\text{LO}} &= 2 \int [dx_i] \left\{ 2 \left[g_1 + g_2 + x_3 \bar{x}_3 \frac{m_N^2}{Q^2} (g_2 + 2g_3) \right] (x_3; W) \mathbb{V}_2^{(3)}(x_i) + x_3 \left[g_1 + x_3 \bar{x}_3 \frac{m_N^2}{Q^2} g_2 \right] (x_3; W) \mathcal{V}_3(x_i) \right\} \\
 &\quad + 2 \frac{m_N^2}{Q^2} \int_0^1 dx_3 x_3^2 g_2(x_3; W) \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_5(x_3), \\
 Q^2 \mathcal{A}_u^{\text{LO}} &= 2 \int [dx_i] \left\{ x_2 \left[g_1 + x_2 \bar{x}_2 \frac{m_N^2}{Q^2} g_2 \right] (x_2; W) (-2\mathcal{V}_1 + 3\mathcal{V}_3 + \mathcal{A}_3)(x_i) \right. \\
 &\quad + 2 \left[g_2 + 2x_2 \bar{x}_2 \frac{m_N^2}{Q^2} g_3 \right] (x_2; W) (\mathbb{V}_2^{(2)} + \mathbb{A}_2^{(2)})(x_i) - 2 \left[g_1 + x_2 \bar{x}_2 \frac{m_N^2}{Q^2} g_2 \right] (x_2; W) (\mathbb{V}_2^{(2)} - \mathbb{A}_2^{(2)})(x_i) \left. \right\} \\
 &\quad - 2 \frac{m_N^2}{Q^2} \int_0^1 dx_2 x_2 g_2(x_2; W) [x_2 (\hat{\mathcal{V}}_4 - 2\hat{\mathcal{V}}_5 + \hat{\mathcal{A}}_5)(x_2) + 2\hat{\mathcal{V}}_6(x_2) + 2\mathcal{V}_1^{M(u)}(x_2)], \tag{44}
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q^2 \mathcal{B}_d^{\text{LO}} &= -2 \int [dx_i] \left\{ \left[g_1 + x_3 \bar{x}_3 \frac{m_N^2}{Q^2} g_2 \right] (x_3; W) \mathcal{V}_1(x_i) - 2x_3 \frac{m_N^2}{Q^2} g_2(x_3; W) \mathbb{V}_2^{(3)}(x_i) \right\} \\
 &\quad - 2 \frac{m_N^2}{Q^2} \int_0^1 dx_3 g_2(x_3; W) (x_3 \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_5 + \mathcal{V}_1^{M(d)})(x_3), \\
 Q^2 \mathcal{B}_u^{\text{LO}} &= 2 \int [dx_i] \left\{ \left[g_1 + x_2 \bar{x}_2 \frac{m_N^2}{Q^2} g_2 \right] (x_2; W) (\mathcal{V}_1 + \mathcal{A}_1)(x_i) + 2x_2 \frac{m_N^2}{Q^2} g_2(x_2; W) (\mathbb{V}_2^{(2)} + \mathbb{A}_2^{(2)})(x_i) \right\} \\
 &\quad + 2 \frac{m_N^2}{Q^2} \int_0^1 dx_2 g_2(x_2; W) [x_2 (\hat{\mathcal{V}}_4 - 2\hat{\mathcal{V}}_5 + \hat{\mathcal{A}}_5)(x_2) + \mathcal{V}_1^{M(u)}(x_2) + \mathcal{A}_1^{M(u)}(x_2)]. \tag{45}
 \end{aligned}$$

The notation for various DAs is explained in Appendices B and C.

III. NLO LCSRS

The NLO corrections (39) to the correlation functions $\mathcal{A}(Q^2, P^2)$ and $\mathcal{B}(Q^2, P^2)$ correspond to the Feynman diagrams shown in Fig. 2. They can be written as a sum of contributions of a given quark flavor $q = u, d$ weighted with the corresponding electromagnetic charges and further expanded in contributions of nucleon DAs to the twist-four accuracy as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q^2 \mathcal{A}_q^{\text{NLO}} &= \int [dx_i] \left\{ \sum_{k=1,3} [\mathbb{V}_k(x_i) C_{q^k}^{\mathbb{V}}(x_i, W) + \mathbb{A}_k(x_i) C_{q^k}^{\mathbb{A}}(x_i, W)] \right. \\
 &\quad + \sum_{m=1,2,3} [\mathbb{V}_2^{(m)}(x_i) C_{q^2}^{\mathbb{V}^{(m)}}(x_i, W) \\
 &\quad \left. + \mathbb{A}_2^{(m)}(x_i) C_{q^2}^{\mathbb{A}^{(m)}}(x_i, W)] \right\} + \mathcal{O}(\text{twist-5}) \tag{46}
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q^2 \mathcal{B}_q^{\text{NLO}} &= \int [dx_i] [\mathbb{V}_1(x_i) D_q^{\mathbb{V}_1}(x_i, W) \\
 &\quad + \mathbb{A}_1(x_i) D_q^{\mathbb{A}_1}(x_i, W)] + \mathcal{O}(\text{twist-5}). \tag{47}
 \end{aligned}$$

It turns out that $C_d^{\mathbb{V}_2^{(1)}}(x_i, W) = C_d^{\mathbb{A}_2^{(1)}}(x_i, W) = 0$. Explicit expressions for the remaining 22 nontrivial coefficient

functions are collected in Appendix E. The leading-twist NLO corrections to the \mathcal{B} function, $D_q^{\mathbb{V}_1}$ and $D_q^{\mathbb{A}_1}$, were previously calculated in Ref. [27] in a different, ‘‘naive’’ dimensional regularization scheme. The other functions have been calculated for the first time. Note that the twist-four NLO contributions are only present in $\mathcal{A}(Q^2, P^2)$; the corresponding corrections to $\mathcal{B}(Q^2, P^2)$ are effectively collinear twist five and are beyond the accuracy of this paper. Each coefficient function has a generic form,

$$C_q^{\mathbb{F}} = C_0(x_i, W) \ln \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2} + C_1(x_i, W), \tag{48}$$

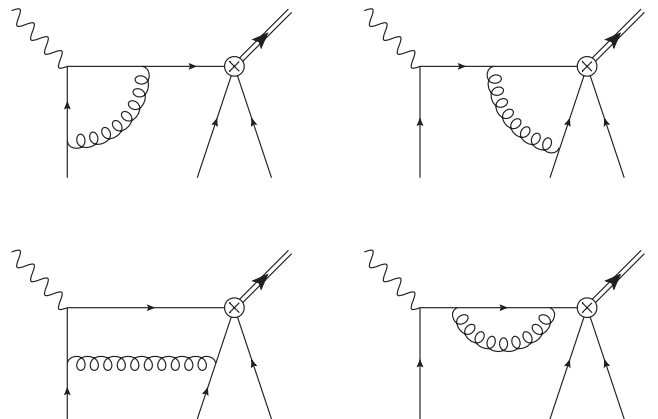


FIG. 2. NLO corrections to the light-cone sum rule for baryon form factors.

where μ is the factorization scale. Here

$$\begin{aligned} C_0 &= c_{10}(x_i, W) \ln(1 - xW) + c_{00}(x_i, W), \\ C_1 &= c_{21}(x_i, W) \ln^2(1 - xW) + c_{11}(x_i, W) \ln(1 - xW) \\ &\quad + c_{01}(x_i, W), \end{aligned} \quad (49)$$

where x is one of the quark momentum fractions (or their combination), and the functions c_{nk} can further be expanded in powers of $1/W$ or $1/(1 - xW)$ but do not contain logarithms. This structure is expected and similar to what has been found in previous studies of the LCSRs for mesons, e.g., Ref. [11]. The factorization scale dependence cancels to leading order by the scale dependence of nucleon DAs and the Ioffe coupling constant. This cancellation was verified for twist-three contributions in Ref. [27]. The Sudakov-type logarithms in Eq. (49) after integration over the momentum fractions and the subtraction of the continuum produce terms $\sim \ln Q^2/s_0$. Such contributions can, in principle, be resummed to all orders (cf. Refs. [6,7]) but the effect of the resummation in the medium momentum transfer region $Q^2 \leq 10\text{--}20 \text{ GeV}^2$ is likely to be marginal. In the remaining part of this section, we discuss two important technical aspects of our calculation.

A. Renormalization scheme

It is well known that for generic composite operators, the celebrated $\overline{\text{MS}}$ prescription does not fix a renormalization scheme completely because of the existence of evanescent operators in noninteger d dimensions, which do not have four-dimensional analogs. Such operators cannot be neglected because they mix with physical operators under renormalization. A common approach [40] is to get rid of this mixing by a suitable finite renormalization. The choice of evanescent operators and hence a precise renormalization condition is not unique [41] and has to be specified in detail. The necessity of extra finite renormalization was overlooked in Ref. [27]. The scheme [40] was suggested originally for treatment of the four-fermion operators that appear in the effective weak Hamiltonian, but it can be used for three-quark operators as well. We find, however, that an alternative scheme suggested by Krankl and Manashov [28] (KM scheme in what follows) is more convenient for our purposes. The KM scheme is described in Appendix A. Its advantage is the guaranteed vanishing of evanescent operators in $d = 4$ dimensions so that one can work with physical (four-dimensional) operators only. As a consequence, the renormalization procedure preserves Fierz identities between renormalized operators. These attractive features come at the cost of a certain complication of the algebraic structure of the anomalous dimensions, which do not pose a problem of principle, however. The self-consistency of the KM scheme has been checked to the three-loop accuracy in Ref. [42]. The basic idea is to consider operator renormalization with free spinor indices. For a generic three-quark operator

$$\mathcal{Q}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} = \epsilon^{ijk} q_\alpha^{i,a} q_\beta^{j,b} q_\gamma^{k,c}, \quad (50)$$

the renormalized operator, $[\mathcal{Q}]_{\alpha\beta\gamma}$, is defined as

$$[\mathcal{Q}]_{\alpha\beta\gamma} = Z_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'} Z_q^{-3} \mathcal{Q}_{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'}^{\text{bare}}, \quad (51)$$

where Z_q is the quark field renormalization constant and $Z_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'}$ corresponds to the subtraction of the divergent part of the corresponding vertex function. It has the structure

$$Z_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'} = 1 + \sum_{lmn} g_{lmn}(\epsilon) (\Gamma_{lmn})_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'}, \quad (52)$$

where $g_{lmn}(\epsilon)$ are given by a series in $1/\epsilon$,

$$g_{lmn}(\epsilon) = \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \epsilon^{-p} a_{lmn}^{(p)}(\alpha_s), \quad d = 4 - 2\epsilon, \quad (53)$$

and the gamma-matrix structures $(\Gamma_{lmn})_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'}$ are defined as

$$(\Gamma_{lmn})_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'} = \gamma_{\alpha\alpha'}^{(l)} \otimes \gamma_{\beta\beta'}^{(m)} \otimes \gamma_{\gamma\gamma'}^{(n)}, \quad (54)$$

where

$$\gamma_{\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n}^{(n)} = \gamma_{[\mu_1} \gamma_{\mu_2} \cdots \gamma_{\mu_n]} \quad (55)$$

are the antisymmetrized (over Lorentz indices) products of gamma matrices, cf. Ref. [40]. For example, the renormalized Ioffe current (25) is defined as

$$[\eta]_\gamma = \mathcal{P}_{\alpha\beta, \gamma\gamma'}^{(\eta)} [\epsilon^{ijk} u_\alpha^i u_\beta^j d_\gamma^k]. \quad (56)$$

where

$$\mathcal{P}_{\alpha\beta, \gamma\gamma'}^{(\eta)} = (C\gamma^\mu)_{\alpha\beta} (\gamma_\mu)_{\gamma\gamma'} \quad (57)$$

is the projector that is applied to the *renormalized* three-quark operator, i.e., in four dimensions. Similarly, renormalized nucleon DAs are defined as matrix elements of the renormalized light-ray operators

$$\begin{aligned} &4\langle 0 | [\epsilon^{ijk} u_\alpha^i(a_1 n) u_\beta^j(a_2 n) d_\gamma^k(a_3 n)] | P \rangle \\ &= V_1 (\not{P} C)_{\alpha\beta} (\gamma_5 N^+)_{\gamma} + \cdots, \end{aligned} \quad (58)$$

where the ellipses stand for the other existing Dirac structures, cf. Eq. (B1). Here, again, the strings of γ matrices on the rhs are in four dimensions so that the relations between different DAs that are a consequence of Fierz identities are fulfilled identically (for renormalized DAs). The coefficient functions of light-ray operators are calculated as finite parts of the amplitudes on free quark states

$$\begin{aligned} &(\mathcal{M}_\nu)_{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'}^{\alpha\beta\gamma}(q, p_1, p_2, p_3) \\ &= i \int d^4 x e^{iqx} \langle 0 | T [\epsilon^{ijk} u_\alpha^i(0) u_\beta^j(0) d_\gamma^k(0) j_\nu^{\text{em}}(x)] \\ &\quad \times | u_\alpha^i(p_1) u_\beta^j(p_2) d_\gamma^k(p_3) \rangle \end{aligned} \quad (59)$$

applying the same decomposition of gamma-matrix structures (54) and using appropriate projection operators

(in four dimensions) to separate different contributions. In contrast, in Ref. [27] the subtraction has been applied to the correlation functions after multiplication with projection operators. This procedure is valid, but it has to be complemented by additional finite renormalization in order to get rid of contributions of evanescent operators [40]. It is easy to convince oneself that these subtleties do not affect terms in $\ln Q^2/\mu^2$ and also the leading Sudakov double logarithms. To this accuracy our results agree with Ref. [27]; the Sudakov single logarithms and constant terms are, however, somewhat different.

B. Twist-four contributions

Contributions of the leading-twist DA $\varphi_N(x_i) = V_1(x_i) - A_1(x_1)$ correspond to contributions of local (geometric) twist-three operators in the OPE of the product $T(\eta(0)j_\mu(x))$ for $x^2 \rightarrow 0$:

$$(D_+^{k_1} u_+)(0)(D_+^{k_2} u_+)(0)(D_+^{k_3} d_+)(0). \quad (60)$$

Here $D_+ \equiv n^\mu D_\mu$ and $q_+ \equiv \Lambda_+ q$ are the plus components of the covariant derivative and the quark field, respectively. The color structure is not shown for brevity. Equivalently, the leading-twist contributions can be attributed to the single light-ray operator

$$u_+(a_1 n)u_+(a_2 n)d_+(a_3 n), \quad (61)$$

where a_i are (real) numbers and the gauge links are implied. Expansion of the light-ray operator (61) at short distances $a_i \rightarrow 0$ generates a formal Taylor series in local twist-three operators. Either way, the corresponding coefficient functions can be calculated from the amplitude (59) with on-shell quarks with collinear momenta $p_i = x_i p$, $p^2 = 0$ or, in position space, with the three quark fields on a light ray $y_i = a_i n$. Going over to the next-to-leading twist the situation becomes more complicated. A twist-four operator can be constructed in two different ways: either changing the plus projection of one of the quark fields to the minus or adding a transverse derivative, e.g.,

$$\begin{aligned} &(D_+^{k_1} u_-)(0)(D_+^{k_2} u_+)(0)(D_+^{k_3} d_+)(0), \\ &(D_+^{k_1} D_\perp u_+)(0)(D_+^{k_2} u_+)(0)(D_+^{k_3} d_+)(0) \end{aligned} \quad (62)$$

(and similar operators with the minus projection or transverse derivative on the d quark). Contributions of the first type correspond to the nonlocal light-ray operators $u_-(a_1 n)u_+(a_2 n)d_+(a_3 n)$ and $u_+(a_1 n)u_+(a_2 n)d_-(a_3 n)$. The corresponding coefficient functions can be calculated in the same way as the leading twist-three contributions, considering the matrix elements over free quarks with collinear momenta and taking a different spinor projection at the end. The contributions of operators involving a transverse derivative are more complicated and can be obtained from the light-cone expansion of the nonlocal three-quark operator,

$$u_+(y_1)u_+(y_2)d_+(y_3), \quad y_i = a_i n + b_{i,\perp}, \quad (63)$$

where $b_\perp \rightarrow 0$ is an auxiliary transverse vector. The twist-four contribution (one transverse derivative) corresponds to picking up terms of first order, $\mathcal{O}(b_\perp)$, in the light-cone expansion. Note that $y_i^2 = b_{i,\perp}^2$ can be neglected to this accuracy so that the quarks can still be considered as being on the light cone (but not on the same light ray). This means that the twist-four coefficient functions (of the second type) can be calculated by considering the matrix elements with quark momenta $p_i = x_i p + p_{i,\perp}$ and expanding to the first order in $p_{i,\perp}$ along the collinear direction $p_{i,\perp} \rightarrow 0$. In this calculation the quark virtualities can be neglected, $p_i^2 = -p_{i,\perp}^2 \rightarrow 0$. As an example, consider the contribution of the twist-four DA $\mathbb{V}_2^{(2)}(x_i)$ defined in Eq. (C12), which we can rewrite as

$$\begin{aligned} &4\langle 0 | [\epsilon^{ijk} u_\alpha^i(y_1) u_\beta^j(y_2) d_\gamma^k(y_3)] | P \rangle \\ &= \mathcal{P}_{\rho;\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\mathbb{V}_2^{(2)}} y_2^\rho \int [dx_i] \mathbb{V}_2^{(2)}(x_i) e^{-iP \sum x_i y_i} + \dots \\ &= i \mathcal{P}_{\rho;\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\mathbb{V}_2^{(2)}} \int [dx_i] \mathbb{V}_2^{(2)}(x_i) \frac{\partial}{\partial p_2^\rho} e^{-i \sum p_i y_i} \Big|_{p_k = x_k p} + \dots, \end{aligned} \quad (64)$$

where

$$\mathcal{P}_{\nu;\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\mathbb{V}_2^{(2)}} = (\not{P} C)_{\alpha\beta} (\gamma_\nu \gamma_5 N(P))_\gamma. \quad (65)$$

Note that the exponential factor $e^{-iP \sum x_i y_i}$ in the second line in Eq. (64) can be written as $e^{-i(Pn) \sum x_i a_i} = e^{-i(pn) \sum x_i a_i}$ so that the quark momenta $p_i \equiv x_i p$ are collinear and the dependence on the transverse separation is contained entirely in the prefactor $y_2^\rho = a_2 n^\rho + b_{2,\perp}^\rho$. In the last line in Eq. (64), the quark momenta can be set to the same collinear values only *after* taking the derivative. The corresponding contribution to the correlation function (24) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} &\Lambda_+ n^\nu T_\nu^{\mathbb{V}_2^{(2)}}(P, q) \\ &= \frac{i}{4} \int [dx_i] \mathbb{V}_2^{(2)}(x_i) (\Lambda_+)_\delta \mathcal{P}_{\alpha\beta;\delta\gamma}^{(\eta)} \mathcal{P}_{\rho;\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\mathbb{V}_2^{(2)}} \\ &\quad \times \frac{\partial}{\partial p_2^\rho} [n^\nu \mathcal{M}_\nu]_{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'}^{\alpha\beta\gamma}(q, p_i) \Big|_{p_k = x_k p}, \end{aligned} \quad (66)$$

where $[\mathcal{M}_\nu]$ is the renormalized amplitude calculated on free quarks (59). It is given by the sum of Feynman diagrams shown in Fig. 2 (to the NLO accuracy). The derivative over the second quark momentum can be written as a sum of contributions corresponding to the longitudinal and transverse components

$$\mathcal{P}_{\rho;\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\mathbb{V}_2^{(2)}} \frac{\partial}{\partial p_2^\rho} = \frac{n^\rho}{pn} \mathcal{P}_{\rho;\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\mathbb{V}_2^{(2)}} \frac{d}{dx_2} + \mathcal{P}_{\perp;\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\mathbb{V}_2^{(2)}} \frac{\partial}{\partial p_2^\perp} + \mathcal{O}(\text{twist-5}). \quad (67)$$

The first contribution involves the amplitude calculated on collinear quarks; the derivative d/dx_2 can be dispensed off using integration by parts. The derivative over the quark transverse momentum in the second contribution is applied to each propagator on the second quark line. Thanks to the Ward identity,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial p^\perp} \frac{\not{p} + \not{\ell}}{(p + \ell)^2 + i\epsilon} = - \frac{\not{p} + \not{\ell}}{(p + \ell)^2 + i\epsilon} \gamma^\perp \frac{\not{p} + \not{\ell}}{(p + \ell)^2 + i\epsilon}, \quad (68)$$

a derivative is equivalent to the insertion of the γ^\perp matrix in the quark line. Thus, one ends up with the sum of Feynman diagrams with collinear quarks and extra γ^\perp insertions along the quark line. The calculation in this work was done using computer algebra. To this end two codes have been written using FORM and FeynCalc, respectively, and produced identical results. The results are summarized in Appendix E and are also available as a MATHEMATICA package that can be requested from the authors.

IV. RESULTS

A. Discussion of parameters

Main nonperturbative input in the LCSR calculation of form factors is provided by normalization constants and shape parameters of nucleon DAs. The existing information, together with our final choices explained below, is summarized in Table I. The nucleon coupling to the (Ioffe) interpolation current (25), λ_1 , simultaneously determines the normalization of twist-four DAs and cancels out between the lhs and the rhs so that the sum rule effectively only involves the ratio of twist-three and twist-four couplings, f_N/λ_1 , which is given in the table. All entries in Table I except for the Bolz–Kroll model [43] are rescaled

to $\mu^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$ using one-loop anomalous dimensions collected in Sec. II A. The other parameters that enter LCSRs are the interval of duality (continuum threshold) s_0 , Borel parameter M^2 , and factorization scale μ^2 . In this work we use the standard value $s_0 = 2.25 \text{ GeV}^2$ that is accepted in most studies. Variations of s_0 with respect to this value can be studied, but have to be accompanied by the corresponding variations of the effective nucleon coupling to the Ioffe current. This is usually done using the ratio method, in which λ_1 on the lhs of the LCSR is substituted by the corresponding QCD sum rule with the same interval of duality. The experience of such calculations is that the sensitivity of the sum rules to the precise value of s_0 is greatly reduced and is not significant as compared to other sources of uncertainty. The Borel parameter M^2 corresponds, loosely speaking, to the inverse imaginary time (squared) at which matching of the QCD calculation is done to the expansion in hadronic states. One usually tries to take M^2 as small as possible in order to reduce sensitivity to the contributions of higher-mass states, which is the main irreducible uncertainty of the sum rule method. In two-point sum rules that are used to determine the nucleon mass and the coupling [37], the default values are in the range $M^2 = 1.0\text{--}1.5 \text{ GeV}^2$. The light-cone sum rules are somewhat different in that the expansion parameter in the QCD calculation is $1/(\langle x \rangle M^2)$ rather than $1/M^2$ in two-point sum rules, where $\langle x \rangle$ is a typical quark momentum fraction [47]. Thus, one has to go over to somewhat higher M^2 values in order to ensure the same suppression of (uncalculated) contributions of very high twist. In this work we take $M^2 = 1.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ and $M^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$ as two acceptable choices. Finally, natural values of the factorization scale μ^2 are determined by the virtuality of the quark interacting with the hard probe

$$\mu^2 \sim (1-x)Q^2 - xP^2. \quad (69)$$

In the sum rules $-P^2 \rightarrow M^2$, and the integration over the quark momentum fraction is restricted to the end point region $x > x_0 = Q^2/(s_0 + Q^2)$. Thus,

TABLE I. Parameters of the nucleon distribution amplitudes at the scale $\mu^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$. For the lattice results [34], only statistical errors are shown.

Model	Method	f_N/λ_1	φ_{10}	φ_{11}	φ_{20}	φ_{21}	φ_{22}	η_{10}	η_{11}	Reference
ABO1	LCSR (NLO)	-0.17	0.05	0.05	0.075(15)	-0.027(38)	0.17(15)	-0.039(5)	0.140(16)	this work
ABO2	LCSR (NLO)	-0.17	0.05	0.05	0.038(15)	-0.018(37)	-0.13(13)	-0.027(5)	0.092(15)	this work
BLW	LCSR (LO)	-0.17	0.0534	0.0664				0.05	0.0325	[10]
BK	perturbative QCD		0.0357	0.0357						[43]
COZ	QCDSR (LO)		0.163	0.194	0.41	0.06	-0.163			[44]
KS	QCDSR (LO)		0.144	0.169	0.56	-0.01	-0.163			[45]
HET	QCDSR (LO)		0.152	0.205	0.65	-0.27	0.020			[46]
	QCDSR (NLO)	-0.15								[39]
LAT09	LATTICE	-0.083(6)	0.043(15)	0.041(14)	0.038(100)	-0.14(15)	-0.47(33)			[33]
LAT13	LATTICE	-0.075(5)	0.038(3)	0.039(6)	-0.050(80)	-0.19(12)	-0.19(14)			[34]

$$\mu^2 \leq (1 - x_0)Q^2 + x_0M^2 \leq \frac{2s_0Q^2}{s_0 + Q^2} < 2s_0, \quad (70)$$

where we assumed (for simplicity) that $M^2 \simeq s_0 < Q^2$. Thus, for $Q^2 \sim 1\text{--}10 \text{ GeV}^2$ the natural scale is $\mu^2 \sim 1\text{--}3 \text{ GeV}^2$ and is not rising with Q^2 (or rising very slowly). In our calculations we take $\mu^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$ as the default value. The renormalization scale is taken to be equal to the factorization scale. We use a two-loop expression for the QCD coupling with $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{(4)} = 326 \text{ MeV}$, resulting in the value $\alpha_s(2 \text{ GeV}^2) = 0.374$.

B. Results for the form factors

As it is seen from Table I, at present there exist quantitative estimates for the ratio of the couplings f_N/λ_1 and the first-order shape parameters $\varphi_{10}, \varphi_{11}$ of the leading-twist DA. The other parameters, in contrast, are very weakly constrained. From the comparison with the experimental data, it turns out that larger values of f_N/λ_1 are preferred so that we fix $f_N/\lambda_1 = -0.17$ and also take $\varphi_{10} = \varphi_{11} = 0.05$ in agreement with lattice calculations and the previous LO LCSR studies [10]. We then make a fit to the experimental data on the magnetic proton form factor $G_M^p(Q^2)$ and the electric-to-magnetic form factor ratio G_E^p/G_M^p in

the interval $1 < Q^2 < 8.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ with all other entries as free parameters. Since the data on the magnetic form factor are much more accurate than for the ratio G_E^p/G_M^p , we have increased the corresponding error bars by 50% in order to give a comparable weighting to both data sets in our fit. We do not include the uncertainty in the Borel parameter in the error estimates but do separate fits for $M^2 = 1.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ and $M^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$ that are referred in what follows as ABO1 and ABO2, respectively. The resulting values of shape parameters are collected in Table I, and the corresponding form factors (solid curves for the set ABO1 and dashed for ABO2) are shown in Fig. 3 for the proton (left two panels) and the neutron (right two panels). For the magnetic form factors, we plot the ratios to the dipole formula

$$G_D(Q^2) = 1/(1 + aQ^2)^2, \quad a = 1/0.71 \text{ GeV}^2 \quad (71)$$

and use in all plots the proton and neutron magnetic moments for normalization, $\mu_p = 2.793$, $\mu_n = -1.913$. The ratio $Q^2 F_2^p(Q^2)/F_1^p(Q^2)$ of Pauli and Dirac form factors in the proton is shown in Fig. 4. The quality of the two fits of the proton data is roughly similar, whereas the description of neutron form factors (that are not fitted) is slightly worse for ABO2 compared to ABO1. In both fits the neutron magnetic form factor comes out to be 20%–30% below the data. This feature is rather robust: an attempt to fit G_M^n and

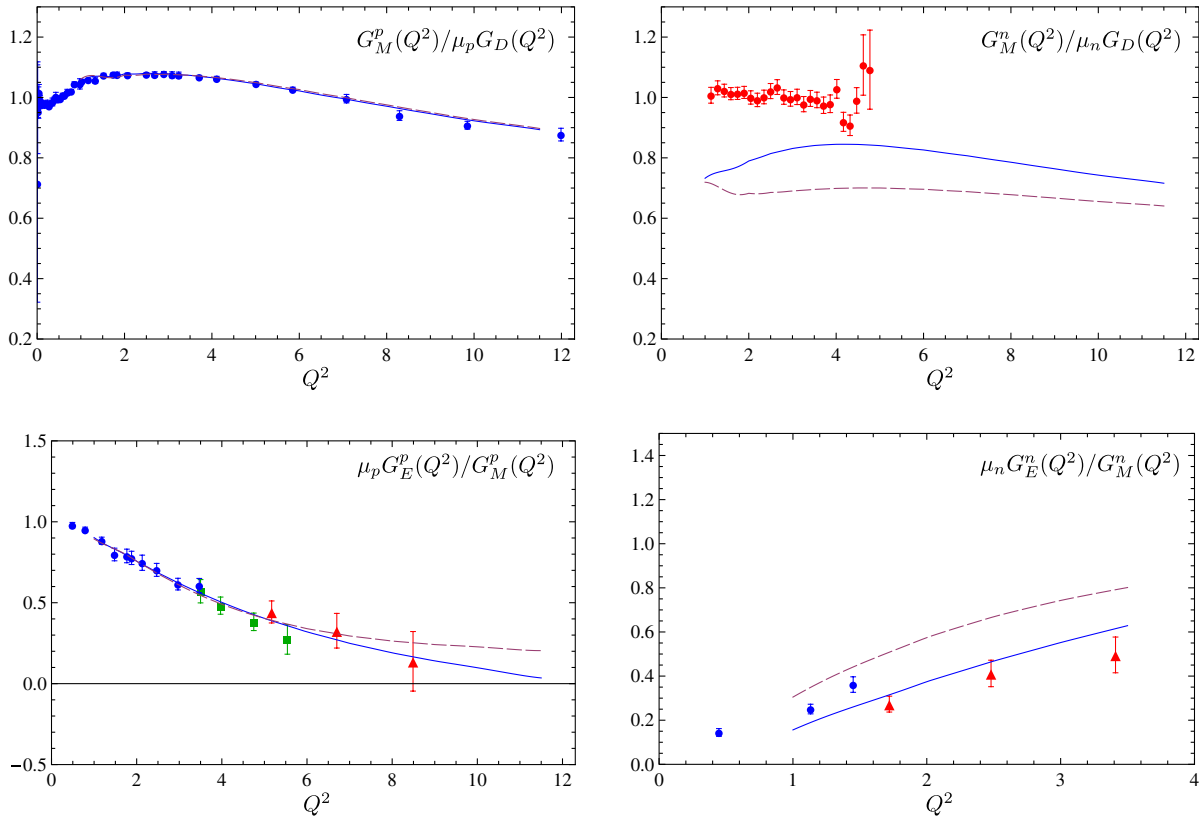


FIG. 3 (color online). Nucleon electromagnetic form factors from LCSRs compared to the experimental data [59–65]. Parameters of the nucleon DAs correspond to the sets ABO1 and ABO2 in Table I for the solid and dashed curves, respectively. Borel parameter $M^2 = 1.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ for ABO1 and $M^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$ for ABO2.

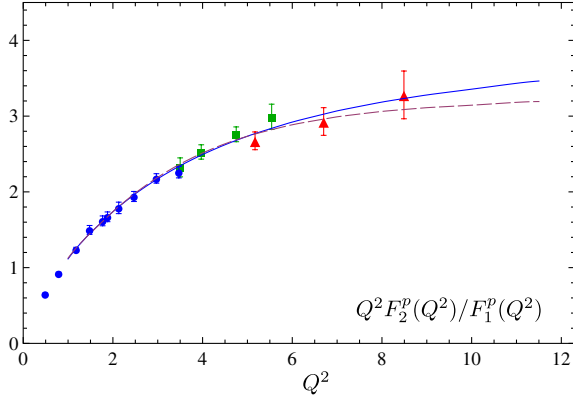


FIG. 4 (color online). The ratio of Pauli and Dirac electromagnetic proton form factors from LCSRs compared to the experimental data [61–63]. Parameters of the nucleon DAs correspond to the sets ABO1 and ABO2 in Table I for the solid and dashed curves, respectively. Borel parameter $M^2 = 1.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ for ABO1 and $M^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$ for ABO2.

G_M^n simultaneously produces very large corrections η_{10} , $\eta_{11} = \mathcal{O}(1)$ to the twist-four DAs, which, we think, are an artifact of the missing terms of yet higher twist and/or higher-order perturbative corrections; see the discussion below. In contrast, the description of the neutron

electric-to-magnetic form factor ratio G_E^n/G_M^n can easily be improved by choosing somewhat larger values of the first-order shape parameters φ_{10} , $\varphi_{11} \sim 0.06\text{--}0.07$, cf. Table I. The underlying reason for this difficulty becomes more clear from the results on the contributions of different quark flavors to the proton form factors F_1^p and F_2^p . The LCSR calculation (ABO1) is compared to the compilation of the experimental data by Diehl and Kroll [48] in Fig. 5. One sees that the u - and d -quark contributions to $F_1(Q^2)$ are described rather well, whereas there are considerable deviations in the Pauli form factor in the smaller Q^2 region. This feature is not unexpected and is due to the structure of the twist expansion in these two cases. Recall that Dirac and Pauli form factors are extracted from the correlation functions $\mathcal{A}(Q^2, P^2)$ and $\mathcal{B}(Q^2, P^2)$, respectively, cf. Eq. (37). The light-cone expansion of the latter is much more involved so that we are able to calculate less terms. Hence, the sum rules are less accurate. For example, the calculation of the radiative corrections to the contributions of the next-to-leading twist nucleon DAs for the \mathcal{B} function requires taking into account second-order corrections in the expansion over quark transverse momenta, which is beyond the scope of this paper. One should expect that the \mathcal{B} function at smaller values of Q^2 also receives large contributions of very high

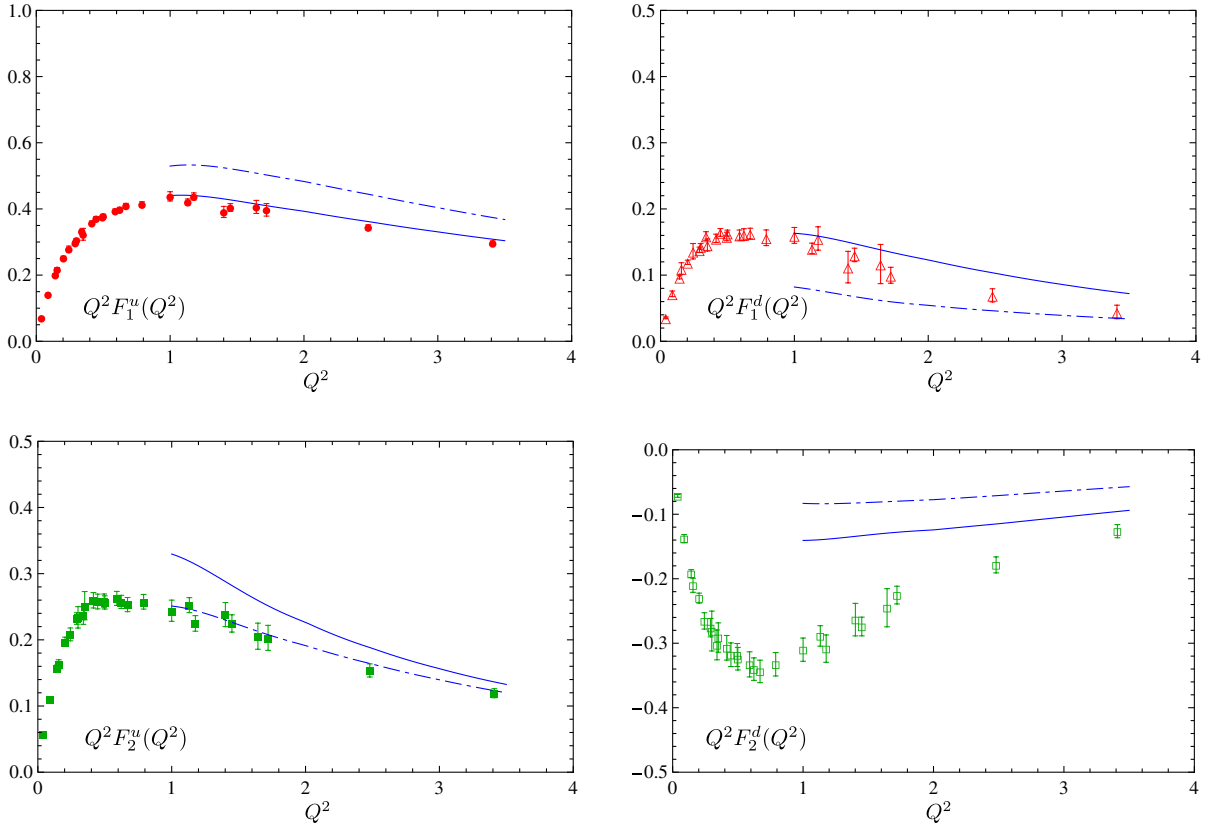


FIG. 5 (color online). Contributions of different quark flavors to the proton electromagnetic form factors compared to the compilation of experimental data in Ref. [48]. The corresponding leading-order results are shown by the dashed-dotted curves for comparison. Parameters of the nucleon DAs correspond to the set ABO1 in Table I.

twist, e.g., due to factorizable five-quark DAs (e.g., quark condensate times a leading-twist DA). This question requires a separate study. On the same plot, the results of the corresponding leading-order calculations are shown by dashed-dotted curves for comparison. One sees that the NLO corrections are of the order of 20% for u -quark contributions and $\sim 100\%$ for d -quarks so that further, next-to-next-to-leading order (NNLO), $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$ corrections can be significant. In both ways, we see that the d -quark contributions are more affected by QCD corrections and generically less precise. This pattern is probably due to the specific spin-flavor structure of the Ioffe current that is used in our calculations. By virtue of isospin symmetry, d -quark contributions to the proton form factors are equal to the u -quark contributions for the neutron but are weighted in the latter case with a larger electric charge $e_d \rightarrow e_u$. This reweighting is the simple reason behind a worse description of neutron form factors as compared to the proton ones. We remind the reader that the two sets of shape parameters of DAs in Table I are obtained from the fits of the proton form factor using different values of the Borel parameter, $M^2 = 1.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ for ABO1 and $M^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$ for ABO2. The difference in the fitted values in ABO1 and ABO2 sets is, therefore, a measure of the Borel parameter dependence that is an intrinsic uncertainty of the sum rule method. Another, more direct possibility to quantify the Borel parameter dependence is to compare the LCSR predictions for $M^2 = 1.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ and $M^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$ for a given DA parameter set. It turns out that increasing the Borel parameter from 1.5 to 2 GeV^2 leads to an increase of all form factors by the same amount $\sim 10\%$ (for all Q^2) so that the form factor ratios are affected only weakly. This is illustrated in Fig. 6 where the proton magnetic form factor and the ratio F_2^p/F_1^p are shown on the left and the right panels, respectively. The effect on the neutron form factors is very similar. The last remark concerns factorization scale dependence. Our calculations are done for the default value $\mu^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$. Varying μ^2 in the

interval 1–4 GeV^2 and taking into account one-loop anomalous dimensions, the form factors F_1^u , F_1^d , F_2^u , F_2^d change by $\pm 1\%$, 2% , 8% , 8% ; at $Q^2 = 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ and $\pm 10\%$, 1% , 14% , 14% at $Q^2 = 10 \text{ GeV}^2$, respectively. Note that the uncertainty gets larger with increasing Q^2 , which is consistent with the expected dominant role of hard scattering corrections at asymptotically large momentum transfers. Such corrections enter the LCSRs for the nucleon form factors starting at the NNLO, cf. Ref. [11].

Our calculations based on both sets, ABO1 and ABO2, of DAs disfavor the appearance of a zero in the proton G_E/G_M ratio, see Fig. 3, although this feature is not robust and a zero can occur in some regions of DA parameter space. In general Dirac and Pauli form factors F_1 and F_2 are more suited for a QCD analysis based on the light-cone expansion. In our approach small values of G_E/G_M arise from intricate cancellations between contributions of different twist that are related, in physical terms, to the contributions of different partial waves in the nucleon light-front wave function. They are also very sensitive to the shape of the DA, in particular to the shape parameters φ_{20} (most important) and φ_{22} . A discussion of this issue in the framework of particular dynamical models can be found in Refs. [49–51].

C. Results for the nucleon DAs

The DAs corresponding to our parameter sets ABO1 and ABO2 are shown in barycentric coordinates in Fig. 7. The main physical conclusion from our study is that the existing experimental data on the nucleon form factors are consistent with the nucleon wave function at small transverse distances, the nucleon DA, that deviates somewhat from its asymptotic form, although the difference seems to be much less dramatic as compared to “old” QCD sum rule predictions [44,45]. In particular the shape parameters of the first order, φ_{10} and φ_{11} , are rather well constrained by lattice calculations and appear to be, roughly, a factor three below the QCD sum rule estimates. The values

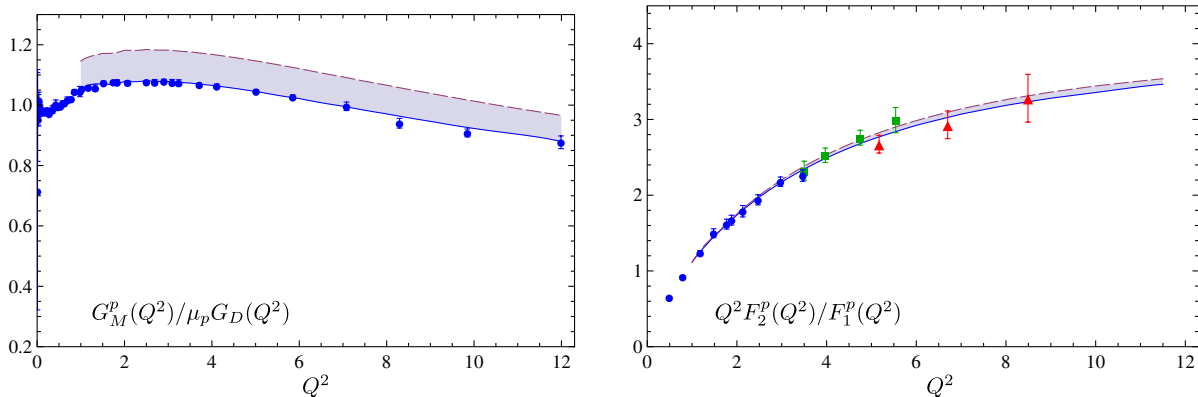


FIG. 6 (color online). Borel parameter dependence of the magnetic proton form factor (left panel) and the $F_2^p(Q^2)/F_1^p(Q^2)$ ratio for the given parameter set, ABO1, of nucleon DAs. The shaded areas correspond to variation of the form factors in the range between $M^2 = 1.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ (default value for the fit) and $M^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$.

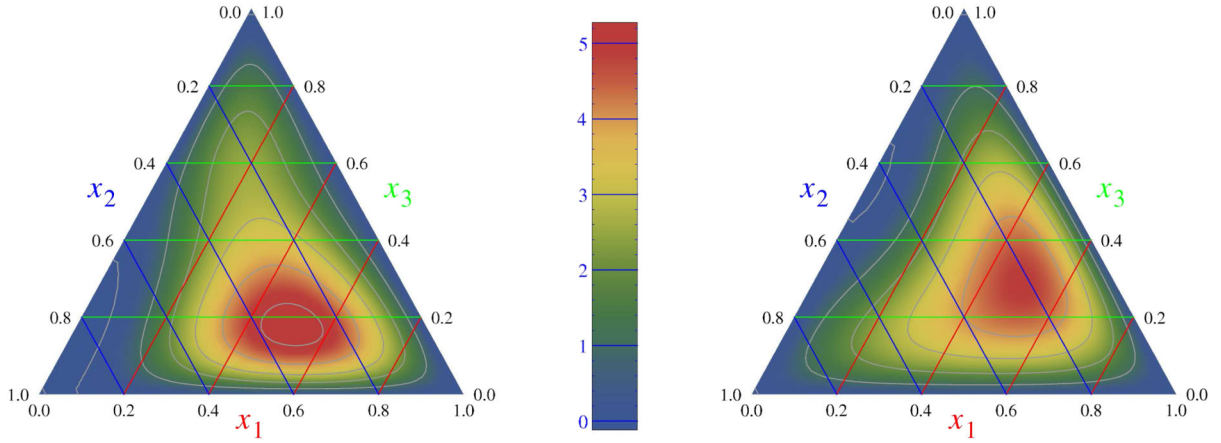


FIG. 7 (color online). Leading-twist distribution amplitude of the proton $\varphi(x_i)$ for the parameter sets ABO1 (left) and ABO2 (right) in Table I. Central values are used for the second-order parameters.

accepted in our models, $\varphi_{10} = \varphi_{11} = 0.05$, correspond to 40% of the proton momentum carried by the u quark with the same helicity, $\langle x_1 \rangle = 0.4$, and the other two quarks carrying equal momentum fractions $\langle x_2 \rangle = \langle x_3 \rangle = 0.3$. To this approximation the nucleon DA is symmetric under the interchange of the valence quarks with compensating helicities

$$\varphi_N(x_1, x_2, x_3) \simeq \varphi_N(x_1, x_3, x_2). \quad (72)$$

This symmetry was conjectured originally in the diquark picture, cf. Ref. [43]. Note, however, that the symmetry (72) cannot be exact since φ_{10} and φ_{11} have different anomalous dimensions. Our fits of the proton form factor data, in particular G_E^p/G_M^p , indicate a small but nonvanishing second-order coefficient,

$$\varphi_{20} = 0.06(3), \quad (73)$$

an order of magnitude smaller than QCD sum rule estimates [44,45] and also smaller than the accuracy of the present lattice data [33,34]. The remaining two second-order coefficients, φ_{21} and φ_{22} , are comparable with zero within the error bars; see Table I. The “diquark symmetry” (72) translates to the following relation between the φ_{2k} :

$$\varphi_{20} - 5\varphi_{21} + 2\varphi_{22} = 0. \quad (74)$$

It is satisfied approximately for the set of parameters ABO2 and violated by ~ 2 standard deviations for the set ABO1 so that we do not have a definite conclusion. For illustration we show the DAs corresponding to the central values of our parameter sets ABO1 and ABO2 in barycentric coordinates in Fig. 7. Although ABO1 leads to a somewhat better overall description of the form factors as compared to ABO2, the difference is not significant in view of the intrinsic uncertainties of the method. Thus, the difference of the two pictures in Fig. 7 should be regarded as the uncertainty of our calculation.

V. SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

We have given the state-of-the-art analysis of nucleon electromagnetic form factors in the LCSR approach. As explained in the introduction, the main challenge in the QCD description of form factors is the calculation of soft overlap contributions corresponding to the so-called Feynman mechanism to transfer the large momentum. The LCSR approach is attractive because soft contributions are calculated in terms of the same DAs that enter the pQCD calculation of hard rescattering contributions, and there is no double counting. Thus, the LCSRs provide one with the most direct relation of the hadron form factors and DAs that is available at present, at the cost of slight model dependence of the nucleon separation from the higher-mass background. Our calculation incorporates the following new elements as compared to previous studies in the same framework [9,10]:

- (i) next-to-leading order QCD corrections to the contributions of twist-three and twist-four DAs, Sec. III and Appendix E;
- (ii) exact account of “kinematic” contributions to the nucleon DAs of twist four and twist five induced by lower geometric twist operators (Wandzura–Wilczek terms), Eqs. (11), (17), and (18);
- (iii) light-cone expansion to the twist-four accuracy of the three-quark matrix elements with generic quark positions, Eqs. (C12), (C17), and (C18);
- (iv) a new calculation of twist-five off-light-cone contributions, Eqs. (C8);
- (v) a more general model for the leading-twist DA, including contributions of second-order polynomials.

The numerical analysis of the LCSRs is presented in Sec. IV. The main message is that electromagnetic form factors can be described to the expected 10%–20% accuracy using the nucleon DA with comparatively small corrections to its asymptotic form. We believe that a

combination of LCSRs and lattice calculations of moments of DA allows one to obtain quantitative information on the structure of the nucleon at small interquark separations. In particular the valence quark average momentum fractions can be determined to a few percent accuracy. The present study can be extended in several directions, in particular updating the existing LO LCSR calculations of the electroproduction of negative parity resonances [52] and threshold pion electroproduction [22]. This is needed, on the one hand, in view of the existing CLAS data [53–55] and the experimental program for the 12 GeV upgrade at Jefferson laboratory [56]. On the other hand, a global fit to the nucleon DAs from different hard reactions would be extremely interesting and increase our confidence in the emerging picture. Several technical aspects of the LCSRs deserve further study, e.g., contributions of factorizable multi-quark nucleon DAs to $F_2(Q^2)$. Also the magnetic transition form factor for the electroexcitation of the Delta resonance [21] needs to be reexamined.

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APPENDIX A: RENORMALIZATION SCHEME FOR THREE-QUARK OPERATORS

For simplicity we consider local three-quark operators without derivatives,

$$\mathcal{Q}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} = \epsilon^{ijk} q_{\alpha}^{i,a} q_{\beta}^{j,b} q_{\gamma}^{k,c}, \quad (\text{A1})$$

where i, j, k are color and a, b, c are flavor indices. We will assume that $a \neq b \neq c$, i.e., the quarks have different flavor. We imply using dimensional regularization with the space-time dimension $d = 4 - 2\epsilon$ and adopt the notation

$$a(\mu) = \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{\pi}.$$

The divergent part of the sum of Feynman diagrams for the Green function

$$\langle 0 | \mathcal{Q}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \bar{q}_{\alpha'}(p_1) \bar{q}_{\beta'}(p_2) \bar{q}_{\gamma'}(p_3) | 0 \rangle \quad (\text{A2})$$

after subtraction of the subdivergences can be cast into the form

$$\sum_{lmn} g_{lmn}(\epsilon) (\Gamma_{lmn})_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'}, \quad (\text{A3})$$

where $g_{lmn}(\epsilon)$ are given by a series in $1/\epsilon$

$$g_{lmn}(\epsilon) = \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \epsilon^{-p} a_{lmn}^{(p)}(a) \quad (\text{A4})$$

and the gamma-matrix structures $(\Gamma_{lmn})_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'}$ are defined as

$$(\Gamma_{lmn})_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'} = \gamma_{\alpha\alpha'}^{(l)} \otimes \gamma_{\beta\beta'}^{(m)} \otimes \gamma_{\gamma\gamma'}^{(n)}. \quad (\text{A5})$$

Here

$$\gamma_{\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n}^{(n)} = \gamma_{[\mu_1} \gamma_{\mu_2} \dots \gamma_{\mu_n]} \quad (\text{A6})$$

are the antisymmetrized (over Lorentz indices) products of gamma-matrices, cf. Ref. [40]. In Eq. (A5) it is assumed that all Lorentz indices of gamma matrices are contracted between themselves; one can show that there exists only one nontrivial way to contract all indices. Following Ref. [28] we define the subtraction scheme by removing the singular terms (A3) from the correlation function (A2). Thus, the renormalized operator, $[\mathcal{Q}]_{\alpha\beta\gamma}$, takes the form

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathcal{Q}]_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(q) &= Z_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'} \mathcal{Q}_{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'}(q) \\ &= Z_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'} Z_q^{-3} \mathcal{Q}_{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'}^B(q_B), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A7})$$

where

$$Z_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'} = 1 + \sum_{lmn} g_{lmn}(\epsilon) (\Gamma_{lmn})_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'} \quad (\text{A8})$$

and Z_q is the quark renormalization constant. The renormalization group equation reads

$$(\mu \partial_{\mu} + \beta(a) \partial_a) [\mathcal{Q}_{\alpha\beta\gamma}] = -\gamma_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'} [\mathcal{Q}_{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'}], \quad (\text{A9})$$

where $\beta(a)$ is the QCD beta function

$$\beta(a) = \mu \partial_{\mu} a(\mu) = -2\epsilon a - 2\beta_0 a^2 + \mathcal{O}(a^3), \quad (\text{A10})$$

with $\beta_0 = 11/3N_c - 2/3n_f$, and the anomalous dimension matrix $\gamma_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'}$ is defined as

$$\mathcal{H} = -\left(\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} \mathbb{Z} \right) \mathbb{Z}^{-1} = -\beta(a) (\partial_a \mathbb{Z}) \mathbb{Z}^{-1}. \quad (\text{A11})$$

Here

$$\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{Z} \mathbb{Z}_q^{-3} = 1 + a \mathbb{Z}^{(1)} + a^2 \mathbb{Z}^{(2)} + \mathcal{O}(a^3). \quad (\text{A12})$$

Note that calculating the inverse matrix

$$\mathbb{Z}^{-1} = 1 - a \mathbb{Z}^{(1)} - a^2 [\mathbb{Z}^{(1)} \mathbb{Z}^{(1)} + \mathbb{Z}^{(2)}] + \mathcal{O}(a^3), \quad (\text{A13})$$

one must carry out all gamma-matrix algebra in d dimensions, which gives rise to finite (regular) contributions $\sim \epsilon^p$, $p = 0, 1, \dots$. Such terms arise, in particular, because the product $\mathbb{Z}^{(1)} \mathbb{Z}^{(1)}$ has to be brought to the standard form as an expansion in the basis of antisymmetrized gamma matrices (see above). The resulting terms $\sim \epsilon$ must be taken into account. This is different from the standard situation where \mathbb{Z}^{-1} only contains poles $\sim 1/\epsilon^p$,

$p = 1, 2, \dots$, and there are no finite terms. Thus, the relation between the Z factor and the anomalous dimension becomes somewhat more complicated. To the two-loop accuracy, one obtains [28]

$$\gamma = 2a\epsilon\mathbb{Z}^{(1)} + 2a^2[2\mathbb{Z}^{(2)} - \mathbb{Z}^{(1)}\mathbb{Z}^{(1)}] + \beta_0\mathbb{Z}^{(1)} + \mathcal{O}(a^3). \quad (\text{A14})$$

Both terms in the square bracket $[2\mathbb{Z}^{(2)} - \mathbb{Z}^{(1)}\mathbb{Z}^{(1)}]$ contain $1/\epsilon^2$ poles which have to cancel so that their difference only contains single poles. The anomalous dimension matrix can be expanded in the contributions of different gamma-matrix structures similar to Eq. (A3):

$$\gamma_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'} = \sum_{lmn} \gamma_{lmn}(a) (\Gamma_{lmn})_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{\alpha'\beta'\gamma'}. \quad (\text{A15})$$

Since γ is finite, one can drop in this (final) expression all terms in $\gamma^{(n)}$ with $n > 4$. All structures (i.e., including those with $n \geq 5$) must be kept, however, in the \mathbb{Z} factors, at least in principle. In practice this complication appears starting at three loops. Finally, the renormalization of three-quark operators in the usual Rarita–Schwinger representation is obtained by applying the corresponding projection operators (in $d = 4$ dimensions). For example, for the Ioffe current,

$$[\eta_I]_\gamma = (C\gamma^\mu)_{\alpha\beta} (\gamma_\mu)_{\gamma\gamma'} [\epsilon^{ijk} u_\alpha^i u_\beta^j d_{\gamma'}^k]. \quad (\text{A16})$$

$$4\langle 0 | \epsilon^{ijk} u_\alpha^i(a_1 n) u_\beta^j(a_2 n) d_\gamma^k(a_3 n) | P \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= V_1(\not{p}C)_{\alpha\beta} (\gamma_5 N^+)_\gamma + V_2(\not{p}C)_{\alpha\beta} (\gamma_5 N^-)_\gamma + \frac{1}{2} m_N V_3 (\gamma_\perp C)_{\alpha\beta} (\gamma^\perp \gamma_5 N^+)_\gamma + \frac{1}{2} m_N V_4 (\gamma_\perp C)_{\alpha\beta} (\gamma^\perp \gamma_5 N^-)_\gamma \\ &+ \frac{m_N^2}{2pn} V_5 (\not{p}C)_{\alpha\beta} (\gamma_5 N^+)_\gamma + \frac{m_N^2}{2pn} V_6 (\not{p}C)_{\alpha\beta} (\gamma_5 N^-)_\gamma + A_1 (\not{p}\gamma_5 C)_{\alpha\beta} N_\gamma^+ + A_2 (\not{p}\gamma_5 C)_{\alpha\beta} N_\gamma^- \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} m_N A_3 (\gamma_\perp \gamma_5 C)_{\alpha\beta} (\gamma^\perp N^+)_\gamma + \frac{1}{2} m_N A_4 (\gamma_\perp \gamma_5 C)_{\alpha\beta} (\gamma^\perp N^-)_\gamma + \frac{m_N^2}{2pn} A_5 (\not{p}\gamma_5 C)_{\alpha\beta} N_\gamma^+ \\ &+ \frac{m_N^2}{2pn} A_6 (\not{p}\gamma_5 C)_{\alpha\beta} N_\gamma^- + \dots, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B1})$$

where for brevity we do not show the Wilson lines that make this operator gauge invariant; α, β, γ are Dirac indices, and we use a shorthand notation $\sigma_{\perp n} \otimes \gamma^\perp = \sigma_{\mu\nu} n^\nu g_{\perp}^{\mu\alpha} \otimes \gamma_\alpha$, etc. Each invariant function $F = V_i, A_i$ can be written as a Fourier integral

$$F(a_j, Pn) = \int [dx] e^{-iPn \sum_i x_i a_i} F(x_i), \quad (\text{B2})$$

where $F(x_i)$ depend on the longitudinal momentum fractions x_i carried by the quarks inside the nucleon. The integration measure is defined in Eq. (3). The invariant functions V_1, A_1 correspond to the leading contribution of collinear twist three. They are related to the nucleon DA $\varphi_N(x_i)$ defined in Eqs. (1) and (5) as follows [29]:

$$V_1(1, 2, 3) = \frac{1}{2} f_N [\varphi_N(1, 2, 3) + \varphi_N(2, 1, 3)], \quad A_1(1, 2, 3) = \frac{1}{2} f_N [\varphi_N(2, 1, 3) - \varphi_N(1, 2, 3)]. \quad (\text{B3})$$

Here and below $F(1, 2, 3) \equiv F(x_1, x_2, x_3)$. The functions V_2, A_2, V_3, A_3 correspond to the contributions of collinear twist four. They include contributions of genuine geometric twist-four operators and Wandzura–Wilczek-type terms of geometric twist three that are related to the leading-twist DA, cf. Eqs. (10) and (11). One obtains [30]

For the two-loop anomalous dimensions of the couplings f_N and λ_1 (see the text), one obtains in this scheme [28]

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{f_N} &= \frac{1}{3} a + \left(\frac{23}{36} + \frac{7}{18} \beta_0 \right) a^2, \\ \gamma_{\lambda_1} &= -a - \left(\frac{19}{12} - \frac{1}{3} \beta_0 \right) a^2. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A17})$$

Generalization of the KM renormalization scheme to nonlocal light-ray operators that define baryon DAs is in principle straightforward. The calculations become, of course, much more involved as the Z factors and anomalous dimensions become integral operators acting on quark coordinates. For higher-twist operators, one has also to take into account the mixing with light-ray operators including transverse derivatives and/or the gluon field in addition to the three quarks; see Ref. [31].

APPENDIX B: SUMMARY OF NUCLEON DISTRIBUTION AMPLITUDES

In practical calculations it is convenient to work with the expression for the renormalized three-quark light-ray operator with open Dirac indices. The general expression for the nucleon matrix element contains 24 scalar functions [30], of which only 12, however, contribute to the LCSRs considered in this paper,

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_2(1, 2, 3) &= \frac{1}{4} f_N [\Phi_4^{WW}(1, 2, 3) + \Phi_4^{WW}(2, 1, 3)] + \frac{1}{4} \lambda_1^N [\Phi_4(1, 2, 3) + \Phi_4(2, 1, 3)], \\
 A_2(1, 2, 3) &= \frac{1}{4} f_N [\Phi_4^{WW}(2, 1, 3) - \Phi_4^{WW}(1, 2, 3)] + \frac{1}{4} \lambda_1^N [\Phi_4(2, 1, 3) - \Phi_4(1, 2, 3)], \\
 V_3(1, 2, 3) &= \frac{1}{4} f_N [\Psi_4^{WW}(1, 2, 3) + \Psi_4^{WW}(2, 1, 3)] - \frac{1}{4} \lambda_1^N [\Psi_4(1, 2, 3) + \Psi_4(2, 1, 3)], \\
 A_3(1, 2, 3) &= \frac{1}{4} f_N [\Psi_4^{WW}(2, 1, 3) - \Psi_4^{WW}(1, 2, 3)] - \frac{1}{4} \lambda_1^N [\Psi_4(2, 1, 3) - \Psi_4(1, 2, 3)].
 \end{aligned} \tag{B4}$$

In turn, collinear twist-five DAs contain Wandzura–Wilczek-type contributions of twist-three (WWW) and twist-four (WW) operators but to our accuracy no genuine geometric twist-five terms:

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_4(1, 2, 3) &= \frac{1}{4} f_N [\Psi_5^{WWW}(1, 2, 3) + \Psi_5^{WWW}(2, 1, 3)] - \frac{1}{4} \lambda_1^N [\Psi_5^{WW}(1, 2, 3) + \Psi_5^{WW}(2, 1, 3)], \\
 A_4(1, 2, 3) &= \frac{1}{4} f_N [\Psi_5^{WWW}(2, 1, 3) - \Psi_5^{WWW}(1, 2, 3)] - \frac{1}{4} \lambda_1^N [\Psi_5^{WW}(2, 1, 3) - \Psi_5^{WW}(1, 2, 3)], \\
 V_5(1, 2, 3) &= \frac{1}{4} f_N [\Phi_5^{WWW}(1, 2, 3) + \Phi_5^{WWW}(2, 1, 3)] + \frac{1}{4} \lambda_1^N [\Phi_5^{WW}(1, 2, 3) + \Phi_5^{WW}(2, 1, 3)], \\
 A_5(1, 2, 3) &= \frac{1}{4} f_N [\Phi_5^{WWW}(2, 1, 3) - \Phi_5^{WWW}(1, 2, 3)] + \frac{1}{4} \lambda_1^N [\Phi_5^{WW}(2, 1, 3) - \Phi_5^{WW}(1, 2, 3)].
 \end{aligned} \tag{B5}$$

The expressions presented here are more general as compared to the parametrization suggested in Ref. [30] in that we employ exact expressions for the Wandzura–Wilczek-type contributions, cf. Eqs. (11), (17), and (18); in the earlier work, only the first two terms in their conformal expansion were taken into account. As the result, the normalization integrals and the first moments of our DAs and those given in Ref. [30] coincide,

$$\int [dx] x_k F_{2,3,4,5}^{\text{this work}}(x_i) = \int [dx] x_k F_{2,3,4,5}^{\text{Ref. [29]}}(x_i),$$

where $F = V, A$ and $k = 1, 2, 3$, but our DAs also contain contributions of higher conformal partial waves that are necessitated by the algebra of spin rotation and QCD equations of motion. Apart from theoretical consistency, this important update allows us to use arbitrary models of the leading-twist DAs, e.g., include second-order polynomials in the momentum fractions. Taking into account the contributions of collinear twist-six DAs V_6, A_6 is, strictly speaking, beyond our accuracy. As an estimate we use the model of Ref. [30],

$$V_6(x_i) = 2[\phi_6^0 + \phi_6^+(1 - 3x_3)], \quad A_6(x_i) = 2(x_2 - x_1)\phi_6^-, \tag{B6}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 \phi_6^0 &= f_N, \\
 \phi_6^+ &= f_N \left(2\varphi_{10} - \frac{2}{3}\varphi_{11} - \frac{1}{3} \right) + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{1}{5}\eta_{10} - \frac{1}{3}\eta_{11} - \frac{1}{5} \right), \\
 \phi_6^- &= f_N (2\varphi_{10} + 2\varphi_{11} + 1) + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{1}{5}\eta_{10} + \eta_{11} - \frac{1}{5} \right).
 \end{aligned} \tag{B7}$$

The corresponding contributions to the LCSRs prove to be very small. For completeness we give the relations between the shape parameters of first order— $\varphi_{10}, \varphi_{11}$ for twist three and η_{10}, η_{11} for twist four—used in this work, to the parameters V_1^d, A_1^u and f_1^d, f_1^u used in Ref. [30] and also the LCSR calculations in Refs. [9,10,27]:

$$A_1^u = \varphi_{10} + \varphi_{11}, \quad V_1^d = \frac{1}{3} - \varphi_{10} + \frac{1}{3}\varphi_{11}, \tag{B8}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_1^d &= \frac{3}{10} - \frac{1}{6} \frac{f_N}{\lambda_1} + \frac{1}{5}\eta_{10} - \frac{1}{3}\eta_{11}, \\
 f_1^u &= \frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{6} \frac{f_N}{\lambda_1} - \frac{3}{5}\eta_{10} - \frac{1}{3}\eta_{11}, \\
 f_2^d &= \frac{4}{15} + \frac{2}{5}\xi_{10}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{B9}$$

Numerical values of these parameters are discussed in the main text.

APPENDIX C: OPERATOR PRODUCT EXPANSION OF THREE-QUARK CURRENTS

Matrix elements of three-quark operators at small non-lightlike separations can be reduced to the DAs. In the leading-order LCSRs, there is a major simplification that two of the quark coordinates always coincide. This case was considered in detail in Refs. [9,10]. The relevant matrix elements can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
-\langle 0 | \epsilon^{ijk} [u^i C \gamma_\alpha u^j](0) d_\gamma^k(y) | P \rangle &= \left(\mathcal{V}_1 + \frac{y^2 m_N^2}{4} \mathcal{V}_1^{M(d)} \right) P_\alpha (\gamma_5 N)_\gamma + \frac{\mathcal{V}_2 m_N}{2(Py)} P_\alpha (\not{y} \gamma_5 N)_\gamma + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{V}_3 m_N (\gamma_\alpha \gamma_5 N)_\gamma \\
&\quad + \frac{\mathcal{V}_4 m_N^2}{4(Py)} y_\alpha (\gamma_5 N)_\gamma + \frac{\mathcal{V}_5 m_N^2}{4(Py)} (i \sigma_{\alpha\lambda} y^\lambda \gamma_5 N)_\gamma + \frac{\mathcal{V}_6 m_N^3}{4(Py)^2} y_\alpha (\not{y} \gamma_5 N)_\gamma, \\
-\langle 0 | \epsilon^{ijk} [u^i C \gamma_\alpha \gamma_5 u^j](0) d_\gamma^k(y) | P \rangle &= \left(\mathcal{A}_1 + \frac{y^2 m_N^2}{4} \mathcal{A}_1^{M(d)} \right) P_\alpha (N)_\gamma + \frac{\mathcal{A}_2 m_N}{2(Py)} P_\alpha (\not{y} N)_\gamma + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{A}_3 m_N (\gamma_\alpha N)_\gamma \\
&\quad + \frac{\mathcal{A}_4 m_N^2}{4(Py)} y_\alpha (N)_\gamma + \frac{\mathcal{A}_5 m_N^2}{4(Py)} (i \sigma_{\alpha\lambda} x^\lambda N)_\gamma + \frac{\mathcal{A}_6 m_N^3}{4(Py)^2} y_\alpha (\not{y} N)_\gamma
\end{aligned} \tag{C1}$$

and similar expressions for

$$\langle 0 | \epsilon^{ijk} [u^i(0) C \gamma_\alpha (\gamma_5) u^j(y)] d_\gamma^k(0) | P \rangle,$$

with the replacement $\mathcal{V}_1^{M(d)}, \mathcal{A}_1^{M(d)} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}_1^{M(u)}, \mathcal{A}_1^{M(u)}$. The invariant functions $\mathcal{V}_i, \mathcal{A}_i$ depend on the quark coordinates $a_i y$ and can be written as

$$\mathcal{F}(a_i; Py) = \int [dx] e^{-iPy(x_1 a_1 + x_2 a_2 + x_3 a_3)} \mathcal{F}(x_i). \tag{C2}$$

The ‘‘calligraphic’’ functions in the momentum fraction representation, $\mathcal{F}(x_i)$, can be expressed in terms of the nucleon DAs introduced in Appendix B (at the scale $\mu^2 \sim 1/|y|^2$). One obtains [9]

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{V}_1 &= V_1, & \mathcal{V}_2 &= V_1 - V_2 - V_3, & \mathcal{V}_3 &= V_3, & \mathcal{V}_4 &= -2V_1 + V_3 + V_4 + 2V_5, \\
\mathcal{V}_5 &= V_4 - V_3, & \mathcal{V}_6 &= -V_1 + V_2 + V_3 + V_4 + V_5 - V_6
\end{aligned} \tag{C3}$$

and, similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{A}_1 &= A_1, & \mathcal{A}_2 &= A_2 - A_1 - A_3, & \mathcal{A}_3 &= A_3, & \mathcal{A}_4 &= -2A_1 - A_3 - A_4 + 2A_5, \\
\mathcal{A}_5 &= A_3 - A_4, & \mathcal{A}_6 &= A_1 - A_2 + A_3 + A_4 - A_5 + A_6.
\end{aligned} \tag{C4}$$

We also use the notations [9]

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{F}(x_3) &= \int_1^{x_3} dx'_3 \int_0^{1-x'_3} dx_1 F(x_1, 1 - x_1 - x'_3, x'_3), & \tilde{\tilde{F}}(x_3) &= \int_1^{x_3} dx'_3 \int_1^{x'_3} dx''_3 \int_0^{1-x''_3} dx_1 F(x_1, 1 - x_1 - x''_3, x''_3)
\end{aligned} \tag{C5}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{F}(x_2) &= \int_1^{x_2} dx'_2 \int_0^{1-x'_2} dx_1 F(x_1, x'_2, 1 - x_1 - x'_2), & \hat{\hat{F}}(x_2) &= \int_1^{x_2} dx'_2 \int_1^{x'_2} dx''_2 \int_0^{1-x''_2} dx_1 F(x_1, x''_2, 1 - x_1 - x''_2),
\end{aligned} \tag{C6}$$

where $F = A_k, V_k$ is a generic nucleon DA that depends on the three valence quark momentum fractions. The calculation of $\mathcal{O}(y^2)$ corrections to the leading-twist contributions is explained in detail in Ref. [10]: The moments of $\mathcal{V}_1^{M(u,d)}(x_2), \mathcal{A}_1^{M(u,d)}(x_2)$ can be expressed in terms of the moments of twist-three and twist-four DAs. We have rederived these relations using a somewhat different approach and confirmed the results. Using our modified expressions for the DA, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{V}_1^{M(u)}(x_2) &\equiv \int_0^{1-x_2} dx_1 V_1^M(x_1, x_2, 1 - x_1 - x_2) = x_2^2 (1 - x_2)^3 \left(\frac{5}{3} f_N C_f^u + \frac{1}{12} \lambda_1 C_\lambda^u \right), \\
\mathcal{A}_1^{M(u)}(x_2) &\equiv \int_0^{1-x_2} dx_1 A_1^M(x_1, x_2, 1 - x_1 - x_2) = x_2^2 (1 - x_2)^3 \left(\frac{5}{3} f_N D_f^u + \frac{1}{12} \lambda_1 D_\lambda^u \right),
\end{aligned} \tag{C7}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{V}_1^{M(d)}(x_3) &\equiv \int_0^{1-x_3} dx_1 V_1^M(x_1, 1 - x_1 - x_3, x_3) = x_3^2 (1 - x_3)^2 \left(\frac{5}{3} f_N C_f^d + \frac{1}{12} \lambda_1 C_\lambda^d \right), \\
\mathcal{A}_1^{M(d)}(x_3) &\equiv \int_0^{1-x_3} dx_1 A_1^M(x_1, 1 - x_1 - x_3, x_3) = 0,
\end{aligned} \tag{C8}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_\lambda^u &= -4 - 3\eta_{10}(5x_2 - 3) - 5\eta_{11}(x_2 + 1), & C_f^u &= -(4x_2 - 5) - \frac{21}{4}\varphi_{10}(9x_2^2 - 14x_2 + 3) + \frac{7}{4}\varphi_{11}(9x_2^2 - 8x_2 + 1), \\
 D_\lambda^u &= -4 - 3\eta_{10}(5x_2 - 3) - 5\eta_{11}(9x_2 - 7), & D_f^u &= 1 - \frac{21}{4}\varphi_{10}(9x_2^2 - 14x_2 + 3) - \frac{7}{4}\varphi_{11}(27x_2^2 - 36x_2 + 7) \quad (C9)
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$C_\lambda^d = 8 + 2(5x_3 - 3)(3\eta_{10} - 5\eta_{11}), \quad C_f^d = -2(2x_3 - 3) + \frac{7}{2}(9x_3^2 - 14x_3 + 3)(3\varphi_{10} - \varphi_{11}). \quad (C10)$$

These expressions are somewhat simpler as compared to the results of Refs. [10,57,58], which have been obtained using truncated Wandzura–Wilczek contributions, although the numerical difference is small. For the calculation of correlation functions to the NLO accuracy, which is the subject of this work, we need to find a generalization of Eqs. (C1) to twist-four accuracy for arbitrary quark positions

$$y_1 = a_1 n + \vec{b}_1, \quad y_2 = a_2 n + \vec{b}_2, \quad y_3 = a_3 n + \vec{b}_3, \quad (C11)$$

where \vec{b}_i are transverse vectors with respect to n_μ and P_μ . Let

$$\begin{aligned}
 -\langle 0 | \epsilon^{ijk} [u^i(y_1) C \gamma_\alpha u^j(y_2)] d^k(y_3) | P \rangle &= \{ P_\alpha \mathbb{V}_1 + m_N \gamma_\alpha \mathbb{V}_3 + im_N P_\alpha [\mathbb{V}_2^{(1)} \not{y}_1 + \mathbb{V}_2^{(2)} \not{y}_2 + \mathbb{V}_2^{(3)} \not{y}_3] + \dots \} \gamma_5 N, \\
 -\langle 0 | \epsilon^{ijk} [u^i(y_1) C \gamma_\alpha \gamma_5 u^j(y_2)] d^k(y_3) | P \rangle &= \{ P_\alpha \mathbb{A}_1 + m_N \gamma_\alpha \mathbb{A}_3 + im_N P_\alpha [\mathbb{A}_2^{(1)} \not{y}_1 + \mathbb{A}_2^{(2)} \not{y}_2 + \mathbb{A}_2^{(3)} \not{y}_3] + \dots \} N,
 \end{aligned} \quad (C12)$$

where the ellipses stand for terms of twist higher than four. Note that the invariant functions \mathbb{V}_i and \mathbb{A}_i do not depend on transverse coordinates, e.g.,

$$\mathbb{V}_i(y_i P) = \int [dx_i] e^{-iP \cdot \sum x_i y_i} \mathbb{V}_i(x_i) = \int [dx_i] e^{-iP n \cdot \sum x_i a_i} \mathbb{V}_i(x_i). \quad (C13)$$

Translation invariance requires that (suppressing color indices)

$$\langle 0 | [u(y_1 + z) C \gamma_\alpha (\gamma_5) u(y_2 + z)] d(y_3 + z) | P \rangle = e^{-iP z} \langle 0 | [u(y_1) C \gamma_\alpha (\gamma_5) u(y_2)] d(y_3) | P \rangle. \quad (C14)$$

This condition is satisfied identically for $\mathbb{V}_1, \mathbb{V}_3, \mathbb{A}_1, \mathbb{A}_3$ and implies the relations

$$\mathbb{V}_2^{(1)} + \mathbb{V}_2^{(2)} + \mathbb{V}_2^{(3)} = 0, \quad \mathbb{A}_2^{(1)} + \mathbb{A}_2^{(2)} + \mathbb{A}_2^{(3)} = 0. \quad (C15)$$

The parametrization of the matrix element in Eq. (C12) must reproduce the known expression in Eq. (B1) in the light-cone limit $b_1 = b_2 = b_3 = 0$. From this requirement it follows immediately that

$$\mathbb{V}_1(x_i) = \mathcal{V}_1(x_i) = V_1(x_i), \quad \mathbb{V}_3(x_i) = \mathcal{V}_3(x_i) = V_3(x_i), \quad \mathbb{A}_1(x_i) = \mathcal{A}_1(x_i) = A_1(x_i), \quad \mathbb{A}_3(x_i) = \mathcal{A}_3(x_i) = A_3(x_i). \quad (C16)$$

The derivation for $\mathbb{V}_2^{(k)}(x_i), \mathbb{A}_2^{(k)}(x_i)$ is somewhat more involved. We obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{V}_2^{(1)}(x_i) &= \frac{1}{4} [x_3 V_2(x_i) + (x_2 - x_1) V_3(x_i) - A_3(x_i) + x_3 A_3(x_i) + x_3 A_2(x_i)], \\
 \mathbb{V}_2^{(2)}(x_i) &= \frac{1}{4} [x_3 V_2(x_i) + (x_1 - x_2) V_3(x_i) + A_3(x_i) - x_3 A_3(x_i) - x_3 A_2(x_i)], & \mathbb{V}_2^{(3)}(x_i) &= -\frac{1}{2} x_3 V_2(x_i),
 \end{aligned} \quad (C17)$$

and, similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{A}_2^{(1)}(x_i) &= \frac{1}{4} [-x_3 A_2(x_i) + (x_2 - x_1) A_3(x_i) - V_3(x_i) + x_3 V_3(x_i) - x_3 V_2(x_i)], \\
 \mathbb{A}_2^{(2)}(x_i) &= \frac{1}{4} [-x_3 A_2(x_i) + (x_1 - x_2) A_3(x_i) + V_3(x_i) - x_3 V_3(x_i) + x_3 V_2(x_i)], & \mathbb{A}_2^{(3)}(x_i) &= \frac{1}{2} x_3 A_2(x_i).
 \end{aligned} \quad (C18)$$

One can show that

$$\frac{i}{2} \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_2(x_3) = \int_0^{1-x_3} dx_1 \mathbb{V}_2^{(3)}(x_1, 1 - x_1 - x_3, x_3), \quad \frac{i}{2} \hat{\mathcal{V}}_2(x_2) = \int_0^{1-x_2} dx_1 \mathbb{V}_2^{(2)}(x_1, x_2, 1 - x_1 - x_2) \quad (C19)$$

[cf. (C5) and (C6)] and similarly for A functions. These relations are satisfied identically for the models of nucleon DAs used in this work but are violated for the DAs in Ref. [10] because of the truncation in Wandzura–Wilczek-type contributions.

APPENDIX D: AUXILIARY FUNCTIONS

The momentum dependence of the NLO corrections to the correlation function (24) can conveniently be written in terms of the functions

$$\begin{aligned} g_{nk}(y, x; W) &= \frac{\ln^n[1 - yW - i\eta]}{(-1 + xW + i\eta)^k}, \\ h_{nk}(x; W) &= \frac{\ln^n[1 - xW - i\eta]}{(W + i\eta)^k}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D1})$$

with $n = 0, 1, 2$ and $k = 1, 2, 3$. For the particular case $n = 0$, the first argument becomes dummy; for simplicity of notation, we write the corresponding entries as

$$g_k(x; W) \equiv g_{0k}(*, x; W), \quad (\text{D2})$$

cf. Eq. (43). Going over to the Borel parameter space and subtracting the continuum corresponds to the substitutions

$$\begin{aligned} g_{nk} &\rightarrow G_{nk}(y, x; M^2) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{s_0} \frac{ds}{Q^2} e^{-s/M^2} \text{Im} g_{nk}(y, x, W), \\ h_{nk} &\rightarrow H_{nk}(x; M^2) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{s_0} \frac{ds}{Q^2} e^{-s/M^2} \text{Im} h_{nk}(x, W), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D3})$$

where $s = P^2$ is the invariant mass of the quark-antiquark (+ gluon) state, $W = 1 + s/Q^2$, M^2 is the Borel parameter and s_0 the continuum threshold. LCSRs involve integrals of the type

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{G}_{nk} &= \int [dx] \mathcal{F}(\underline{x}) G_{nk}(x_i + x_j, x_i; M^2), \\ \tilde{\mathbf{G}}_{nk} &= \int [dx] \mathcal{F}(\underline{x}) G_{nk}(x_i, x_i; M^2), \\ \mathbf{H}_{nk} &= \int [dx] \mathcal{F}(\underline{x}) H_{nk}(x_i + x_j; M^2), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D4})$$

where $\mathcal{F}(\underline{x}) = \mathcal{F}(x_i, x_j, 1 - x_i - x_j)$ is a function of quark momentum fractions and $x_i, x_j \in \{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$. In addition one needs

$$\hat{\mathbf{G}}_{01} = \int [dx] \mathcal{F}(\underline{x}) G_{01}(*, x_i + x_j; M^2) \quad (\text{D5})$$

(only this special case). The corresponding expressions are collected below. We use the following notations:

$$\begin{aligned} x_{ij} &= x_i + x_j, \quad \bar{x} = 1 - x, \quad x_0 = \frac{Q^2}{s_0 + Q^2}, \\ E(x) &= \exp\left[-\frac{\bar{x}Q^2}{xM^2}\right], \quad [\mathcal{F}(x_i, x_j)]_+ = \mathcal{F}(x_i, x_j) - \mathcal{F}(x_0, x_j) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D6})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{G} &= \int_{x_0}^1 dx_i \int_0^{1-x_i} dx_j \mathcal{F}(\underline{x}) \mathcal{G}(\underline{x}), \\ \mathcal{F} \oplus \mathcal{G} &= \int_0^{x_0} dx_i \int_{x_0-x_i}^{1-x_i} dx_j \mathcal{F}(\underline{x}) \mathcal{G}(\underline{x}). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D7})$$

We obtain

$$\mathbf{G}_{01} = -\mathcal{F} \otimes \frac{E(x_i)}{x_i}, \quad \hat{\mathbf{G}}_{01} = -\mathcal{F}[\otimes + \oplus] \frac{E(x_{ij})}{x_{ij}}, \quad (\text{D8})$$

$$\mathbf{G}_{11} = \mathcal{F} \otimes \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} dy \frac{E(y) - E(x_i)}{y(y - x_i)} + \mathcal{F} \oplus \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} \frac{dy E(y)}{y(y - x_i)} - \mathcal{F} \otimes \frac{E(x_i)}{x_i} \left[\ln\left(\frac{x_i}{x_0} - 1\right) + \ln\frac{x_{ij}}{x_i} \right], \quad (\text{D9})$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{G}}_{11} = \mathcal{F}[\otimes + \oplus] \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} dy \frac{E(y) - E(x_{ij})}{y(y - x_{ij})} - \mathcal{F}[\otimes + \oplus] \frac{E(x_{ij})}{x_{ij}} \ln\left(\frac{x_{ij}}{x_0} - 1\right), \quad (\text{D10})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{G}_{21} &= 2\mathcal{F} \otimes \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} dy \frac{E(y) - E(x_i)}{y(y - x_i)} \ln\left(\frac{x_{ij}}{y} - 1\right) - 2\mathcal{F} \oplus \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} dy \frac{E(y)}{y(y - x_i)} \ln\left(\frac{x_{ij}}{y} - 1\right) \\ &+ \mathcal{F} \otimes \frac{E(x_i)}{x_i} \left\{ \frac{\pi^2}{3} - 2\text{Li}_2\left(\frac{x_j x_0}{x_{ij}(x_0 - x_i)}\right) - \left[\ln\left(\frac{x_i}{x_0} - 1\right) + \ln\left(\frac{x_{ij}}{x_i}\right) \right]^2 \right\}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D11})$$

$$\mathbf{G}_{02} = \frac{Q^2}{M^2} \mathcal{F} \otimes \frac{E(x_i)}{x_i^2} + E(x_0) \int_0^{1-x_0} dx_j \mathcal{F}(x_0, x_j), \quad (\text{D12})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{G}_{12} &= -\left[\frac{x_0}{x_i} \mathcal{F}(x_i, x_j)\right]_+ [\otimes + \circledast] \frac{E(x_0)}{x_0 - x_i} + \mathcal{F} \otimes \frac{x_{ij}(E(x_{ij}) - E(x_i))}{x_i x_j} + \mathcal{F} \circledast \frac{x_{ij} E(x_{ij})}{x_i x_j} \\
 &\quad - E(x_0) \left[\int_0^{x_0} dx_j \ln\left(\frac{x_j}{x_0}\right) - \int_0^1 dx_j \ln\left|1 - \frac{\bar{x}_j}{x_0}\right| - \int_0^{\bar{x}_0} dx_j \ln\left(\frac{x_j}{x_0}\right) \right] \mathcal{F}(x_0, x_j) \\
 &\quad - \frac{Q^2}{M^2} \mathcal{F} \otimes \frac{1}{x_i} \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} dy \frac{E(y) - E(x_i)}{y(y - x_i)} - \frac{Q^2}{M^2} \mathcal{F} \circledast \frac{1}{x_i} \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} dy \frac{E(y)}{y(y - x_i)}, \\
 \tilde{\mathbf{G}}_{12} &= -\left[\frac{x_0}{x_i} \mathcal{F}(x_i, x_j)\right]_+ \otimes \frac{E(x_0)}{x_0 - x_i} + E(x_0) \int_0^{x_0} dx_j \mathcal{F}(x_0, x_j) \ln\left(\frac{\bar{x}_j}{x_0} - 1\right) \\
 &\quad - \frac{Q^2}{M^2} \mathcal{F} \otimes \frac{1}{x_i} \int_{x_0}^{x_i} dy \frac{E(y) - E(x_i)}{y(y - x_i)} + \frac{Q^2}{M^2} \mathcal{F} \otimes \frac{E(x_i)}{x_i^2} \ln\left(\frac{x_i}{x_0} - 1\right) + \mathbf{G}_{02},
 \end{aligned} \tag{D13}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{G}_{22} &= -2\left[\frac{x_0}{x_i} \ln\left(\frac{x_{ij}}{x_0} - 1\right) \mathcal{F}(x_i, x_j)\right]_+ [\otimes + \circledast] \frac{E(x_0)}{x_0 - x_i} + E(x_0) \int_0^{x_0} dx_j \left[\ln^2\left(\frac{x_j}{x_0}\right) - \pi^2 \right] \mathcal{F}(x_0, x_j) \\
 &\quad - 2E(x_0) \left[\int_0^{x_0} dx_j \ln\left(\frac{x_j}{x_0}\right) - \int_0^1 dx_j \ln\left|1 - \frac{\bar{x}_j}{x_0}\right| \right] \ln\left(\frac{x_j}{x_0}\right) \mathcal{F}(x_0, x_j) \\
 &\quad - \mathcal{F}[\otimes + \circledast] \frac{2x_{ij}^2}{x_i x_j} \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} dy \frac{E(y) - E(x_{ij})}{y(y - x_{ij})} + \mathcal{F}[\otimes + \circledast] \frac{2x_{ij} E(x_{ij})}{x_i x_j} \ln\left(\frac{x_{ij}}{x_0} - 1\right) \\
 &\quad + \mathcal{F} \otimes \frac{2x_{ij}}{x_j} \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} dy \frac{E(y) - E(x_i)}{y(y - x_i)} + \mathcal{F} \circledast \frac{2x_{ij}}{x_j} \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} dy \frac{E(y)}{y(y - x_i)} - \mathcal{F} \otimes \frac{2x_{ij} E(x_i)}{x_i x_j} \left[\ln\left(\frac{x_i}{x_0} - 1\right) + \ln\left(\frac{x_{ij}}{x_i}\right) \right], \\
 &\quad - 2\frac{Q^2}{M^2} \mathcal{F} \otimes \frac{1}{x_i} \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} dy \frac{E(y) - E(x_i)}{y(y - x_i)} \ln\left(\frac{x_{ij}}{y} - 1\right) - 2\frac{Q^2}{M^2} \mathcal{F} \circledast \frac{1}{x_i} \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} dy \frac{E(y)}{y(y - x_i)} \ln\left(\frac{x_{ij}}{y} - 1\right) \\
 &\quad + \frac{Q^2}{M^2} \mathcal{F} \otimes \frac{E(x_i)}{x_i^2} \left\{ \frac{\pi^2}{3} - \left[\ln\left(\frac{x_i}{x_0} - 1\right) + \ln\left(\frac{x_{ij}}{x_i}\right) \right]^2 - 2\text{Li}_2\left(\frac{x_j x_0}{x_{ij}(x_0 - x_i)}\right) \right\},
 \end{aligned} \tag{D14}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{\mathbf{G}}_{22} &= -2\left[\frac{x_0}{x_i} \mathcal{F}(x_i, x_j)\right]_+ \otimes \ln\left(\frac{x_i}{x_0} - 1\right) \frac{E(x_0)}{x_0 - x_i} + E(x_0) \int_0^{x_0} dx_j \mathcal{F}(x_0, x_j) \left[\ln^2\left(\frac{\bar{x}_j}{x_0} - 1\right) - \frac{\pi^2}{3} \right] \\
 &\quad - 2\left[\frac{x_0}{x_i} \mathcal{F}(x_i, x_j)\right]_+ \otimes \frac{E(x_0)}{x_0 - x_i} + 2E(x_0) \int_0^{x_0} dx_j \mathcal{F}(x_0, x_j) \ln\left(\frac{\bar{x}_j}{x_0} - 1\right) \\
 &\quad - 2\frac{Q^2}{M^2} \mathcal{F} \otimes \frac{1}{x_i} \int_{x_0}^{x_i} dy \frac{E(y) - E(x_i)}{y(y - x_i)} \ln\left(\frac{x_i}{y} - 1\right) + \frac{Q^2}{M^2} \mathcal{F} \otimes \frac{E(x_i)}{x_i^2} \left[\frac{\pi^2}{3} - \ln^2\left(\frac{x_i}{x_0} - 1\right) \right] \\
 &\quad - 2\frac{Q^2}{M^2} \mathcal{F} \otimes \frac{1}{x_i} \int_{x_0}^{x_i} dy \frac{E(y) - E(x_i)}{y(y - x_i)} + 2\frac{Q^2}{M^2} \mathcal{F} \otimes \frac{E(x_i)}{x_i^2} \ln\left(\frac{x_i}{x_0} - 1\right) + 2\mathbf{G}_{02},
 \end{aligned} \tag{D15}$$

and finally

$$\mathbf{H}_{11} = -\mathcal{F}[\otimes + \circledast] \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} dy \frac{E(y)}{y}, \quad \mathbf{H}_{21} = -2\mathcal{F}[\otimes + \circledast] \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} dy \ln\left(\frac{x_{ij}}{y} - 1\right) \frac{E(y)}{y}, \tag{D16}$$

$$\mathbf{H}_{12} = -\mathcal{F}[\otimes + \circledast] \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} dy E(y), \quad \mathbf{H}_{22} = -\mathcal{F}[\otimes + \circledast] \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} dy \ln\left(\frac{x_{ij}}{y} - 1\right) E(y), \tag{D17}$$

$$\mathbf{H}_{13} = -\mathcal{F}[\otimes + \circledast] \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} dy y E(y), \quad \mathbf{H}_{23} = -\mathcal{F}[\otimes + \circledast] \int_{x_0}^{x_{ij}} dy y \ln\left(\frac{x_{ij}}{y} - 1\right) E(y). \tag{D18}$$

Our results for \mathbf{G}_{11} , \mathbf{G}_{21} , \mathbf{H}_{11} , \mathbf{H}_{12} , \mathbf{H}_{21} , \mathbf{H}_{22} differ from the corresponding expressions g_7 – g_{12} in Ref. [27] by extra terms from the \circledast integration region; in addition our expression for \mathbf{G}_{21} does not contain a contribution $\sim \pi^2(1 - \delta(x_j))$.

APPENDIX E: SUMMARY OF NLO COEFFICIENT FUNCTIONS

The NLO corrections (39) to the correlation functions $\mathcal{A}(Q^2, P^2)$ and $\mathcal{B}(Q^2, P^2)$ can be written as a sum of contributions of a given quark flavor $q = u, d$ and expanded in contributions of nucleon DAs as shown in Eqs. (46) and (47). Our results for the coefficient functions $C_q^F(x_i, W)$ are collected below. We use a shorthand notation $L = \ln Q^2/\mu^2$, where μ^2 is the factorization scale. The dependence on $W = 1 + P^2/Q^2$ is not shown for brevity.

$$\begin{aligned}
x_2 C_d^{\mathbb{V}^1}(x_i) &= 2x_2 x_3 [3(L-2)g_1(x_3) + 2(L-1)g_{11}(x_3, x_3) + g_{21}(x_3, x_3)] + [2x_2 + (4L-3)x_3]h_{11}(x_3) \\
&\quad + (3-4L)\bar{x}_1 h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) + 2x_3 h_{21}(x_3) - 2\bar{x}_1 h_{21}(\bar{x}_1) - 2[3(x_2/x_3)(2L-3) + 5L-7]h_{12}(x_3) \\
&\quad + 2(5L-7)h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) - [6(x_2/x_3) + 5]h_{22}(x_3) + 5h_{22}(\bar{x}_1) + (6/x_3)(L-2)h_{13}(x_3) \\
&\quad - (6/\bar{x}_1)(L-2)h_{13}(\bar{x}_1) + (3/x_3)h_{23}(x_3) - (3/\bar{x}_1)h_{23}(\bar{x}_1), \tag{E1}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1 x_3 C_u^{\mathbb{V}^1}(x_i) &= x_1 x_2 x_3 [(17-7L)g_1(x_2) + (1+2L)g_{11}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) + 2(2L-3)g_{11}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) + 2(5-7L)g_{11}(x_2, x_2) \\
&\quad + g_{21}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) + 2g_{21}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) - 7g_{21}(x_2, x_2)] - x_1 x_3 [(1+2L)h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) + 2(2L-3)h_{11}(\bar{x}_3) \\
&\quad + 2(5-7L)h_{11}(x_2)] + (1+2L)x_1 h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) + 4x_3 h_{12}(\bar{x}_3) - [4x_3 + (x_1/x_2)[x_2(1+2L) \\
&\quad + 4x_3(4-L)]]h_{12}(x_2) - 2(L-2)(x_1/\bar{x}_1)h_{13}(\bar{x}_1) + 2(2L-7)(x_3/\bar{x}_3)h_{13}(\bar{x}_3) + (1/x_2)[2(L-2)x_1 \\
&\quad + 2(7-2L)x_3]h_{13}(x_2) - x_1 x_3 [h_{21}(\bar{x}_1) + 2h_{21}(\bar{x}_3) - 7h_{21}(x_2)] + x_1 h_{22}(\bar{x}_1) \\
&\quad + x_1 [2(x_3/x_2) - 1]h_{22}(x_2) - (x_1/\bar{x}_1)h_{23}(\bar{x}_1) + 2(x_3/\bar{x}_3)h_{23}(\bar{x}_3) + [(x_1 - 2x_3)/x_2]h_{23}(x_2), \tag{E2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_2 C_d^{\mathbb{V}^3}(x_i) &= 2x_2 x_3 [(5-3L)g_1(x_3) + (3-4L)g_{11}(\bar{x}_1, x_3) + 2(2L-1)g_{11}(x_3, x_3) - 2g_{21}(\bar{x}_1, x_3) + 2g_{21}(x_3, x_3)] \\
&\quad + 2(4L-3)(2x_2 + x_3)h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) + [8(1-2L)x_2 + 2(3-4L)x_3]h_{11}(x_3) + 4(2x_2 + x_3)[h_{21}(\bar{x}_1) - h_{21}(x_3)] \\
&\quad + 6(3-4L)h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) + 6[4L-3 + 4(x_2/x_3)(L-1)]h_{12}(x_3) - 12h_{22}(\bar{x}_1) + 12(\bar{x}_1/x_3)h_{22}(x_3) \\
&\quad + (4/\bar{x}_1)(2L-1)h_{13}(\bar{x}_1) - (4/x_3)(2L-1)h_{13}(x_3) + (4/\bar{x}_1)h_{23}(\bar{x}_1) - (4/x_3)h_{23}(x_3), \tag{E3}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1 x_3 C_u^{\mathbb{V}^3}(x_i) &= 2x_1 x_2 x_3 [5(L-3)g_1(x_2) + 2(1-2L)g_{11}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) + (5-4L)g_{11}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) + 2(8L-5)g_{11}(x_2, x_2) \\
&\quad - 2g_{21}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) - 2g_{21}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) + 8g_{21}(x_2, x_2)] + 2x_3 [(6L-8)x_1 + (2L-3)x_2]h_{11}(\bar{x}_3) \\
&\quad + 4x_1 [Lx_2 + (3L-1)x_3]h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) - 2[4x_1 x_3(5L-3) + x_2 x_3(2L-3) + 2x_1 x_2 L]h_{11}(x_2) \\
&\quad + 2x_1(x_2 + 3x_3)h_{21}(\bar{x}_1) + 2x_3(3x_1 + x_2)h_{21}(\bar{x}_3) - 2[10x_1 x_3 + x_2 \bar{x}_2]h_{21}(x_2) - 4(3+2L)x_1 h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) \\
&\quad + 2x_3(15-8L)h_{12}(\bar{x}_3) + 2(x_3/x_2)[4(L-1)x_1 + (8L-15)x_2]h_{12}(x_2) + 4(x_1/x_2)[(3+2L)x_2 + 6x_3]h_{12}(x_2) \\
&\quad - 4x_1 h_{22}(\bar{x}_1) - 8x_3 h_{22}(\bar{x}_3) + (4/x_2)[2x_2 x_3 + x_1 \bar{x}_1]h_{22}(x_2) + 12(x_1/\bar{x}_1)h_{13}(\bar{x}_1) + 8(x_3/\bar{x}_3)(L-2)h_{13}(\bar{x}_3) \\
&\quad - (4/x_2)[3x_1 + 2x_3(L-2)]h_{13}(x_2) + 4(x_3/\bar{x}_3)h_{23}(\bar{x}_3) - 4(x_3/x_2)h_{23}(x_2), \tag{E4}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1 x_2 C_u^{\mathbb{V}^2(1)}(x_i) &= -8\bar{x}_3 x_2 g_1(\bar{x}_3) + 2x_2^2 [4(L-2) + (2L-5)x_1]g_1(x_2) - 4x_2^2 [(L-3) + (2L-3)x_1]g_{11}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) \\
&\quad + 2x_2^2 (1+2x_1)[2(L-1)g_{11}(x_2, x_2) - g_{21}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) + g_{21}(x_2, x_2)] + 4x_2 [(L-3) + (2L-3)x_1]h_{11}(\bar{x}_3) \\
&\quad - 2x_2 (1+2x_1)[2(L-1)h_{11}(x_2) - h_{21}(\bar{x}_3) + 2h_{21}(x_2)] + 2x_2 [(4L-12)/\bar{x}_3 + (4L-13)/x_1 - 4]h_{12}(\bar{x}_3) \\
&\quad + 2[4(1+x_2-L) + (x_2/x_1)(13-4L)]h_{12}(x_2) + 4[1 - (x_1/\bar{x}_3) + (x_2/x_1)]h_{22}(\bar{x}_3) - 4[1 + (x_2/x_1)]h_{22}(x_2) \\
&\quad + 2[(x_1/\bar{x}_3^2)(8L-25) - 2(x_2/\bar{x}_3)(2L-7) - (1/x_1)(8L-25)]h_{13}(\bar{x}_3) + 2[2(2L-7) \\
&\quad + (1/x_1)(8L-25)]h_{13}(x_2) + 4[2(x_1/\bar{x}_3^2) - (x_2/\bar{x}_3) - (2/x_1)]h_{23}(\bar{x}_3) + 4[1 + (2/x_1)]h_{23}(x_2), \tag{E5}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_2 C_d^{V_2^{(2)}}(x_i) = & 4\bar{x}_1 g_1(\bar{x}_1) + 2x_3(3 - 4L)g_1(x_3) - 8x_3 g_{11}(\bar{x}_1, x_3) + 2[4 + (4L - 3)\bar{x}_1]h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) - 2[4(L - 1)\bar{x}_1 + x_3]h_{11}(x_3) \\
 & + 4\bar{x}_1[h_{21}(\bar{x}_1) - h_{21}(x_3)] + 2[2(7 - 5L) + (11 - 2L)/x_2 + 2(5 - 2L)/\bar{x}_1]h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) - 2[2(7 - 5L) \\
 & + (11 - 2L)/x_2 + 4(1 - L)(1 + 2x_2)/x_3]h_{12}(x_3) - [10 + (4/\bar{x}_1) + (2/x_2)]h_{22}(\bar{x}_1) + 2[5 + (1/x_2) \\
 & + 2(1 + 2x_2)/x_3]h_{22}(x_3) + (4/\bar{x}_1)[(3L - 8)(1/\bar{x}_1 + 1/x_2) + 3(L - 2)]h_{13}(\bar{x}_1) - (4/x_3)[(3L - 8)/x_2 \\
 & + 3(L - 2)]h_{13}(x_3) + (6/\bar{x}_1)[1/\bar{x}_1 + 1/x_2 + 1]h_{23}(\bar{x}_1) - (6/x_3)[1/x_2 + 1]h_{23}(x_3), \tag{E6}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_2 x_3 C_u^{V_2^{(2)}}(x_i) = & 4\bar{x}_1 x_1 g_1(\bar{x}_1) - 8\bar{x}_3 x_3 g_1(\bar{x}_3) + 2[4x_2 x_3 - 2x_1 x_2 + x_1 x_3[13L - 25 + (7L - 17)x_2]]g_1(x_2) \\
 & - 2x_1[2x_3 L + x_2 x_3(1 + 2L) - 2x_2]g_{11}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) - 2x_3[x_1(1 + 2x_2)(2L - 3) - 2x_2]g_{11}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) \\
 & + 4[3x_1 x_3(2L - 1) + x_1 x_2 x_3(7L - 5) - x_2 \bar{x}_2]g_{11}(x_2, x_2) - 2x_1 x_3[(1 + x_2)g_{21}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) \\
 & + (1 + 2x_2)g_{21}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) - (6 + 7x_2)g_{21}(x_2, x_2) + (1 + 5L)g_2(x_2) + 2Lg_{12}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) - (3 - 2L)g_{12}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) \\
 & - 2(4L - 7)g_{12}(x_2, x_2) + g_{22}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) + g_{22}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) - 4g_{22}(x_2, x_2)] + 2x_1[x_3(1 + 2L) \\
 & - 2(1 + L)]h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) + 2x_3[1 - 2L + 2x_1(2L - 3)]h_{11}(\bar{x}_3) - (2/x_2)[x_3(x_2 - 4x_1)(2L - 1) \\
 & + 2x_1 x_2[1 + L + x_3(5 - 7L)]]h_{11}(x_2) - 2x_1 \bar{x}_3 h_{21}(\bar{x}_1) - 2(1 - 2x_1)x_3 h_{21}(\bar{x}_3) \\
 & + (2/x_2)[x_2 \bar{x}_2 - x_1 x_3(4 + 7x_2)]h_{21}(x_2) - 2x_1(1 + 2L - 2/\bar{x}_1)h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) - 8x_3[(3 - L)/\bar{x}_3 + 1]h_{12}(\bar{x}_3) \\
 & + (2/x_2^2)[4x_2 x_3[(3 - L) + x_2 + x_1(4 - L)] + x_1 x_2[x_2(1 + 2L) - 2] + 2x_1 x_3(13 - 6L)]h_{12}(x_2) \\
 & - 2x_1 h_{22}(\bar{x}_1) + 4(x_3/\bar{x}_3)h_{22}(\bar{x}_3) + (2/x_2)[x_1 x_2 - 2x_3[1 + x_1 + 3(x_1/x_2)]]h_{22}(x_2) \\
 & - 2(x_1/\bar{x}_1^2)[9 - 2L + 2\bar{x}_1(2 - L)]h_{13}(\bar{x}_1) + 2(x_3/\bar{x}_3^2)[25 - 8L + 2\bar{x}_3(7 - 2L)]h_{13}(\bar{x}_3) \\
 & + (2/x_2^2)[x_1[9 - 2L + 2x_2(2 - L)] - x_3[25 - 8L + 2x_2(7 - 2L)]]h_{13}(x_2) + 2(x_1/\bar{x}_1^2)(1 + \bar{x}_1)h_{23}(\bar{x}_1) \\
 & - 4(x_3/\bar{x}_3^2)(2 + \bar{x}_3)h_{23}(\bar{x}_3) - (2/x_2^2)[x_1(1 + x_2) - 2x_3(2 + x_2)]h_{23}(x_2), \tag{E7}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_2 C_d^{V_2^{(3)}}(x_i) = & 4\bar{x}_1 g_1(\bar{x}_1) + 2x_2[25 - 13L + 6x_3(2 - L) - 2(x_3/x_2)]g_1(x_3) + [2x_2(4L - 3) - 8x_3]g_{11}(\bar{x}_1, x_3) \\
 & + 2x_2[[6(1 - 2L) + 4x_3(1 - L) + 4(x_3/x_2)]g_{11}(x_3, x_3) + 2g_{21}(\bar{x}_1, x_3) - 2(3 + x_3)g_{21}(x_3, x_3) \\
 & + (1 + 5L)g_2(x_3) - (3 - 4L)g_{12}(\bar{x}_1, x_3) + 2(7 - 4L)g_{12}(x_3, x_3) + 2g_{22}(\bar{x}_1, x_3) - 4g_{22}(x_3, x_3)] \\
 & + 2[(1 + 4L) - \bar{x}_1(3 - 4L)\bar{x}_1]h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) - 2[4(x_2/x_3)(1 - 2L) + 2x_2 + 1 + 4L - x_3(3 - 4L)]h_{11}(x_3) \\
 & + 4(1 + \bar{x}_1)h_{21}(\bar{x}_1) + 4[2x_2/x_3 - (1 + x_3)]h_{21}(x_3) + 4[7 - 5L + (5 - 2L)/\bar{x}_1]h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) + (4/x_3^2)[x_3(2L - 5) \\
 & + x_3^2(5L - 7) + x_2(6L - 13) + 3x_2 x_3(2L - 3)]h_{12}(x_3) - 2[5 + 2/\bar{x}_1]h_{22}(\bar{x}_1) + (2/x_3^2)[6x_2(1 + x_3) \\
 & + x_3(2 + 5x_3)]h_{22}(x_3) + (4/\bar{x}_1^2)[3L - 8 + 3\bar{x}_1(L - 2)]h_{13}(\bar{x}_1) - (4/x_3^2)[3L - 8 + 3(L - 2)x_3]h_{13}(x_3) \\
 & + (6/\bar{x}_1^2)(1 + \bar{x}_1)h_{23}(\bar{x}_1) - (6/x_3^2)(1 + x_3)h_{23}(x_3), \tag{E8}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_3 C_u^{V_2^{(3)}}(x_i) = & 4\bar{x}_1 g_1(\bar{x}_1) + 2x_2[5 + x_3(8 - 3L)]g_1(x_2) - 2x_2[2(1 - L) + x_3(1 + 2L)]g_{11}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) \\
 & - 4x_2 \bar{x}_3(L - 1)g_{11}(x_2, x_2) + 2x_2 \bar{x}_3[g_{21}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) - g_{21}(x_2, x_2)] + 2[2(1 - L) + x_3(1 + 2L)]h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) \\
 & - 2\bar{x}_3[2(1 - L)h_{11}(x_2) + h_{21}(\bar{x}_1) - h_{21}(x_2)] - 2[1 + 2L - 2/\bar{x}_1 + 2(L - 1)/x_3]h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) \\
 & + 2[1 + 2L + 2(L - 1)(1/x_3 + 2x_3/x_2)]h_{12}(x_2) - 2[1 + 1/x_3]h_{22}(\bar{x}_1) + 2[1 + 1/x_3 + 2x_3/x_2]h_{22}(x_2) \\
 & + (2/\bar{x}_1)[(1/\bar{x}_1 + 1/x_3)(2L - 9) + 2(L - 2)]h_{13}(\bar{x}_1) + (2/x_2)[(9 - 2L)/x_3 - 2(L - 2)]h_{13}(x_2) \\
 & + (2/\bar{x}_1)[1 + 1/\bar{x}_1 + 1/x_3]h_{23}(\bar{x}_1) - (2/x_2)[1 + 1/x_3]h_{23}(x_2), \tag{E9}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_2 C_d^{A_1}(x_i) = & 3\bar{x}_1 h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) - 3x_3 h_{11}(x_3) + 2(3L - 10)h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) - 2(3L - 10)h_{12}(x_3) + 3h_{22}(\bar{x}_1) - 3h_{22}(x_3) \\
 & - (6/\bar{x}_1)(L - 3)h_{13}(\bar{x}_1) + (6/x_3)(L - 3)h_{13}(x_3) - (3/\bar{x}_1)h_{23}(\bar{x}_1) + (3/x_3)h_{23}(x_3), \tag{E10}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_2x_3C_u^{\mathbb{A}_1}(x_i) &= x_2^2x_3[(3-L)g_1(x_2) + (1-2L)g_{11}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) + 2(L-1)g_{11}(x_2, x_2) - g_{21}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) + g_{21}(x_2, x_2)] \\
&\quad - (5+2L)x_2h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) + x_2x_3[(2L-1)h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) - 2(L-1)h_{11}(x_2) + h_{21}(\bar{x}_1) - h_{21}(x_2)] \\
&\quad + [(5+2L)x_2 + 4(L-1)x_3]h_{12}(x_2) - x_2h_{22}(\bar{x}_1) + (\bar{x}_1 + x_3)h_{22}(x_2) - 2(x_2/\bar{x}_1)(L-5)h_{13}(\bar{x}_1) \\
&\quad + 2(L-5)h_{13}(x_2) - (x_2/\bar{x}_1)h_{23}(\bar{x}_1) + h_{23}(x_2), \tag{E11}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_2C_d^{\mathbb{A}_3}(x_i) &= 2x_2x_3[(8-3L)g_1(x_3) - 3g_{11}(\bar{x}_1, x_3)] + 6(\bar{x}_1 + x_3)h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) - 6x_3h_{11}(x_3) + 2(4L-21)h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) \\
&\quad + 2[21-4L+4x_2(L-1)/x_3]h_{12}(x_3) + 4h_{22}(\bar{x}_1) - 4[1-x_2/x_3]h_{22}(x_3) + (4/\bar{x}_1)(7-4L)h_{13}(\bar{x}_1) \\
&\quad + (4/x_3)(2L-7)h_{13}(x_3) - (4/\bar{x}_1)h_{23}(\bar{x}_1) + (4/x_3)h_{23}(x_3), \tag{E12}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1x_3C_u^{\mathbb{A}_3}(x_i) &= 2x_1x_2x_3[(25-11L)g_1(x_2) - 2g_{11}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) + g_{11}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) + 2(3-4L)g_{11}(x_2, x_2) - 4g_{21}(x_2, x_2)] \\
&\quad - 2[x_2x_3(2L-3) + 2x_1[x_2L - 2x_3(L-1)]]h_{11}(x_2) + 4x_1[x_2L + x_3(1+L)]h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) + 2x_3[2x_1(L-2) \\
&\quad + x_2(2L-3)]h_{11}(\bar{x}_3) + 2\bar{x}_1x_1h_{21}(\bar{x}_1) + 2\bar{x}_3x_3h_{21}(\bar{x}_3) - 2(x_1x_2 - 3x_1x_3 + \bar{x}_3x_3)h_{21}(x_2) \\
&\quad + (2/x_2)[(8L-15)x_2x_3 + 2x_1[x_2(3+2L) + 2x_3(5L-8)]]h_{12}(x_2) - 4x_1[(3+2L)h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) + h_{22}(\bar{x}_1)] \\
&\quad - 2x_3[(8L-15)h_{12}(\bar{x}_3) + 4h_{22}(\bar{x}_3)] + 4[2x_3 + x_1 + 5x_1x_3/x_2]h_{22}(x_2) + 12(x_1/\bar{x}_1)h_{13}(\bar{x}_1) \\
&\quad - (4/x_2)[3x_1 + 2x_3(L-2)]h_{13}(x_2) + 4(x_3/\bar{x}_3)[2(L-2)h_{13}(\bar{x}_3) + h_{23}(\bar{x}_3)] - 4(x_3/x_2)h_{23}(x_2), \tag{E13}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1C_u^{\mathbb{A}_2^{(1)}}(x_i) &= 2x_2[2g_1(x_2) + 2(L-1)g_{11}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) - 2(L-1)g_{11}(x_2, x_2) + g_{21}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) - g_{21}(x_2, x_2)] + 4(1-L)h_{11}(\bar{x}_3) \\
&\quad + 4(L-1)h_{11}(x_2) - 2h_{21}(\bar{x}_3) + 2h_{21}(x_2) + [8(L-2)/\bar{x}_3 + 2(4L-11)/x_1]h_{12}(\bar{x}_3) \\
&\quad + [2(11-4L)/x_1 + 8(1-L)/x_2]h_{12}(x_2) + 4[1/\bar{x}_3 + 1/x_1]h_{22}(\bar{x}_3) - 4[1/x_1 + 1/x_2]h_{22}(x_2) \\
&\quad - (2/\bar{x}_3)[1/x_1 + 1/\bar{x}_3][(4L-9)h_{13}(\bar{x}_3) + 2h_{23}(\bar{x}_3)] + [2/(x_1x_2)][(4L-9)h_{13}(x_2) + 2h_{23}(x_2)], \tag{E14}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_2C_d^{\mathbb{A}_2^{(2)}}(x_i) &= -4\bar{x}_1g_1(\bar{x}_1) - 6x_3g_1(x_3) + 6\bar{x}_1h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) - 6x_3h_{11}(x_3) + 2[2(3L-10) + 2(2L-5)/\bar{x}_1 \\
&\quad + (6L-13)/x_2]h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) - 2[2(3L-10) + 4(L-1)/x_3 + (6L-13)/x_2]h_{12}(x_3) \\
&\quad + 2[3 + 2/\bar{x}_1 + 3/x_2]h_{22}(\bar{x}_1) - 2[3 + 2/x_3 + 3/x_2]h_{22}(x_3) \\
&\quad - (6/\bar{x}_1)[1 + 1/x_2 + 1/\bar{x}_1][2(L-3)h_{13}(\bar{x}_1) + h_{23}(\bar{x}_1)] \\
&\quad + (6/x_3)[1 + 1/x_2][2(L-3)h_{13}(x_3) + h_{23}(x_3)], \tag{E15}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1x_3C_u^{\mathbb{A}_2^{(2)}}(x_i) &= 2x_1[x_3(13L-25) + 2x_2 - x_2x_3(L-3)]g_1(x_2) - 4[x_2\bar{x}_2 + 3x_1x_3(1-2L) + x_1x_2x_3(1-L)]g_{11}(x_2, x_2) \\
&\quad - 4x_1\bar{x}_1g_1(\bar{x}_1) - 2x_1[2x_3L - 2x_2 - x_2x_3(1-2L)]g_{11}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) + 2x_3[(3-2L)x_1 + 2x_2]g_{11}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) \\
&\quad - 2x_1[(1+x_2)x_3g_{21}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) + x_3g_{21}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) - 2x_3(6+x_2)g_{21}(x_2, x_2)] - 2x_1x_3[(1+5L)g_2(x_2) \\
&\quad + 2Lg_{12}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) - (3-2L)g_{12}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) + 2(7-4L)g_{12}(x_2, x_2) + g_{22}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) + g_{22}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) \\
&\quad + 4g_{22}(x_2, x_2)] + 2[(4x_1-x_2)(x_3/x_2)(1-2L) + 2x_1(1+L) + 2x_1x_3(1-L)]h_{11}(x_2) \\
&\quad + 2x_3[(1-2L)h_{11}(\bar{x}_3) - h_{21}(\bar{x}_3)] - 2x_1[[2(1+L) + x_3(1-2L)]h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) + \bar{x}_3h_{21}(\bar{x}_1)] \\
&\quad + (2/x_2)[x_2\bar{x}_2 - 4x_1x_3 - x_1x_2x_3]h_{21}(x_2) + (2/x_2)[4(2-L)x_3 + 2x_1 + x_1x_2(5+2L) \\
&\quad + 2x_1x_3(13-6L)/x_2 + 4x_1x_3(L-1)]h_{12}(x_2) - 2x_1[2/\bar{x}_1 + 5 + 2L]h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) \\
&\quad + 4(x_3/\bar{x}_3)[2(L-2)h_{12}(\bar{x}_3) + h_{22}(\bar{x}_3)] - 2x_1h_{22}(\bar{x}_1) + (2/x_2)[x_1x_2 - 2x_3\bar{x}_1 - 6x_1x_3/x_2]h_{22}(x_2) \\
&\quad + (2/x_2^2)[x_1(2L-7) + 2x_1x_2(L-5) + x_3(4L-9)]h_{13}(x_2) - 2(x_1/\bar{x}_1^2)[[2L-7 + 2\bar{x}_1(L-5)]h_{13}(\bar{x}_1) \\
&\quad + [1 + \bar{x}_1]h_{23}(\bar{x}_1)] - 2(x_3/\bar{x}_3^2)[(4L-9)h_{13}(\bar{x}_3) + 2h_{23}(\bar{x}_3)] + (2/x_2^2)[x_1(1+x_2) + 2x_3]h_{23}(x_2), \tag{E16}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_2 C_d^{\Lambda_2^{(3)}}(x_i) = & -4\bar{x}_1 g_1(\bar{x}_1) + 2[(3L - 8)x_2 + 2x_3]g_1(x_3) + 6x_2 g_{11}(\bar{x}_1, x_3) + 2(3L - 8)x_2 g_2(x_3) + 6x_2 g_{12}(\bar{x}_1, x_3) \\
 & + 6(1 + \bar{x}_1)h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) - 6(1 + x_3)h_{11}(x_3) + 4[3L - 10 + (2L - 5)/\bar{x}_1]h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) + 4[(5 - 2L)/x_3 \\
 & + 10 - 3L]h_{12}(x_3) + 2[3 + 2/\bar{x}_1]h_{22}(\bar{x}_1) - 2[3 + 2/x_3]h_{22}(x_3) - (12/\bar{x}_1^2)(1 + \bar{x}_1)(L - 3)h_{13}(\bar{x}_1) \\
 & + (12/x_3^2)(1 + x_3)(L - 3)h_{13}(x_3) - (6/\bar{x}_1^2)(1 + \bar{x}_1)h_{23}(\bar{x}_1) + (6/x_3^2)(1 + x_3)h_{23}(x_3), \tag{E17}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_3 C_u^{\Lambda_2^{(3)}}(x_i) = & -4\bar{x}_1 g_1(\bar{x}_1) - 2x_2[5 - 4L + (L - 3)x_3]g_1(x_2) + 2x_2[2(3 - L) + (1 - 2L)x_3]g_{11}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) \\
 & + 2x_2(1 + x_3)[2(L - 1)g_{11}(x_2, x_2) - g_{21}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) + g_{21}(x_2, x_2)] + 2[2(L - 3) + x_3(2L - 1)]h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) \\
 & - 2(1 + x_3)[2(L - 1)h_{11}(x_2) - h_{21}(\bar{x}_1) + h_{21}(x_2)] - 2[5 + 2L + 2/\bar{x}_1 + 2L/x_3]h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) \\
 & + 2[5 + 2L + 2L/x_3 + 4x_3(L - 1)/x_2]h_{12}(x_2) - 2(1 + 1/x_3)h_{22}(\bar{x}_1) + 2(1 + 1/x_3 + 2x_3/x_2)h_{22}(x_2) \\
 & - (2/\bar{x}_1)[(2L - 7)/x_3 + 2(L - 5) + (2L - 7)/\bar{x}_1]h_{13}(\bar{x}_1) + (2/x_2)[(2L - 7)/x_3 + 2(L - 5)]h_{13}(x_2) \\
 & - (2/\bar{x}_1)[(1 + x_3)/x_3 + (1 - x_3\bar{x}_3)/\bar{x}_1]h_{23}(\bar{x}_1) + (2/x_2)(1 + 1/x_3)h_{23}(x_2), \tag{E18}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_2 x_3 D_d^{\nabla_1}(x_i) = & x_2 x_3 [(3L - 7)g_1(x_3) + (3 - 4L)g_{11}(\bar{x}_1, x_3) + 2(4L - 3)g_{11}(x_3, x_3) - 2g_{21}(\bar{x}_1, x_3) + 4g_{21}(x_3, x_3)] \\
 & - 2x_3 L h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) + 2[x_2(3 - 2L) + x_3 L]h_{11}(x_3) - x_3 h_{21}(\bar{x}_1) - (2x_2 - x_3)h_{21}(x_3) \\
 & + (x_3/\bar{x}_1)(5 - 2L)h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) - (5 - 2L)h_{12}(x_3) - (x_3/\bar{x}_1)h_{22}(\bar{x}_1) + h_{22}(x_3), \tag{E19}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_1 x_2 D_u^{\nabla_1}(x_i) = & 4(3 - 4L)x_1 x_2 g_{11}(x_2, x_2) + x_1 x_2 [2L g_{11}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) + (2L - 3)g_{11}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) + g_{21}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) + g_{21}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) \\
 & - 4g_{21}(x_2, x_2)] + (2x_1 x_2/x_3) L h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) + 2x_1 [2L - 3 - (x_2/x_3)L]h_{11}(x_2) + (x_1 x_2/x_3)h_{21}(\bar{x}_1) \\
 & + x_1(2 - x_2/x_3)h_{21}(x_2) + [2x_1 x_2/(\bar{x}_1 x_3)]h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) + (2L - 7)[(x_2/\bar{x}_3)h_{12}(\bar{x}_3) - h_{12}(x_2)] \\
 & - 2(x_1/x_3)h_{12}(x_2) + (x_2/\bar{x}_3)h_{22}(\bar{x}_3) - h_{22}(x_2) \tag{E20}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_2 D_d^{\Lambda_1}(x_i) = & x_2(3L - 8)g_1(x_3) + 3x_2 g_{11}(\bar{x}_1, x_3) + 2(L - 1)[h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) - h_{11}(x_3)] + h_{21}(\bar{x}_1) - h_{21}(x_3) \\
 & + (7 - 2L)[(1/\bar{x}_1)h_{12}(\bar{x}_1) - (1/x_3)h_{12}(x_3)] - (1/\bar{x}_1)h_{22}(\bar{x}_1) + (1/x_3)h_{22}(x_3), \tag{E21}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_1 x_2 D_u^{\Lambda_1}(x_i) = & x_1 x_2 [(3L - 7)g_1(x_2) + 2(4L - 3)g_{11}(x_2, x_2) - 2L g_{11}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) + (3 - 2L)g_{11}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) - g_{21}(\bar{x}_1, x_2) \\
 & - g_{21}(\bar{x}_3, x_2) + 4g_{21}(x_2, x_2)] - (2x_1 x_2/x_3)(L - 1)h_{11}(\bar{x}_1) - 2x_2 h_{11}(\bar{x}_3) + 2x_2 h_{11}(x_2) \\
 & + 2x_1 [(x_2/x_3)(L - 1) + 3 - 2L]h_{11}(x_2) - (x_1 x_2/x_3)h_{21}(\bar{x}_1) - x_1(2 - x_2/x_3)h_{21}(x_2) \\
 & + (5 - 2L)[(x_2/\bar{x}_3)h_{12}(\bar{x}_3) - h_{12}(x_2)] - (x_2/\bar{x}_3)h_{22}(\bar{x}_3) + h_{22}(x_2). \tag{E22}
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