Here, we show that the subdiagrams (a) to (c) on p.6 vanish (at least (a) and (b) are properly investigated here):

## • subdiagram (a):

$$h_{v}(0)\overline{h}_{v}(x) = \Theta(-v \cdot x)\delta^{(d-1)}(x_{\perp})P_{+}ig_{s} \int_{v \cdot x} \mathrm{d}sv^{\mu}A_{\mu}(sv)$$

$$= \Theta(-v \cdot x)\delta^{(d-1)}(x_{\perp})P_{+}ig_{s} \int_{v \cdot x} \mathrm{d}s \ v^{\mu} \int_{0}^{1} \mathrm{d}u \ usv^{\nu}G_{\nu\mu}(usv)$$

$$= 0 \tag{1}$$

since

$$v^{\mu}v^{\nu}G_{\nu\mu}(...) = -v^{\mu}v^{\nu}G_{\mu\nu}(...) = -v^{\nu}v^{\mu}G_{\mu\nu}(...) = -v^{\mu}v^{\nu}G_{\nu\mu}(...)$$
 (2)

Generally, a product of an antisymmetric and a symmetric tensor leads 0. We immediately started this investigation at  $\mathcal{O}(g_s)$ , because an emission of a background gluon field is an NLO effect.

## • subdiagram (b):

Here, the heavy quark propagator is again expanded to  $\mathcal{O}(g_s)$  and the appearing backgound field gluon is contracted with the field strength tensor from the three-body current.

$$\Theta(-v \cdot x)\delta^{(d-1)}(x_{\perp})P_{+} \langle 0| T\{\bar{q}\Gamma_{1}g_{s}G_{\mu\nu}ig_{s}\int_{v \cdot x} \mathrm{d}s \ v^{\lambda}A_{\lambda}(sv)\Gamma_{2}q\} |0\rangle$$

$$= \Theta(-v \cdot x)\delta^{(d-1)}(x_{\perp})P_{+} \langle 0| T\{\bar{q}\Gamma_{1}\Gamma_{2}q\} |0\rangle ig_{s}^{2}\int_{v \cdot x} \mathrm{d}s \ \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{d}{2}\right)\delta^{ab}}{2\pi^{\frac{d}{2}}(-s^{2}v^{2}+i0^{+})^{\frac{d}{2}}}s(g_{\nu\lambda}v_{\mu}-g_{\mu\lambda}v_{\nu})v^{\lambda}$$

$$= 0 \tag{3}$$

since

$$(g_{\nu\lambda}v_{\mu} - g_{\mu\lambda}v_{\nu})v^{\lambda} = v_{\mu}v_{\nu} - v_{\nu}v_{\mu} = 0$$
(4)

The only missing piece seems to be subdiagram (c). The proof might be as simple as to take equation (30) and set z=0, because the gluon line is connected to the same on-shell quark line.