# Next-to-leading order $Q^2$ evolution of the transversity distribution $h_1(x,Q^2)$

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We present a calculation of the two-loop anomalous dimension for the transversity distribution  $h_1(x,Q^2)$ ,  $\gamma_n^{h(1)}$ , in the MS scheme of dimensional regularization. Because of the chiral-odd nature,  $h_1$  does not mix with the gluon distributions, and thus our result is the same for the flavor-singlet and -nonsinglet distributions. At small n (moment of  $h_1$ ),  $\gamma_n^{h(1)}$  is significantly larger than  $\gamma_n^{f(1)}$  (the anomalous dimension for the nonsinglet  $f_1$ ), but approaches  $\gamma_n^{f(1)}$  very quickly at large n, keeping the relation  $\gamma_n^{h(1)} > \gamma_n^{f(1)}$ . This feature is in parallel to the relation between the one-loop anomalous dimension for  $f_1$  and  $h_1$ . [S0556-2821(97)03623-0]

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

It is well known that the nucleon (spin-1/2 hadron) has three independent twist-2 quark distributions  $f_1(x,Q^2)$ ,  $g_1(x,Q^2)$ , and  $h_1(x,Q^2)$ . These distributions have a simple parton model interpretation and appear as a leading contribution to various hard (semi-)inclusive processes. The first two distributions  $f_1$  and  $g_1$  are chiral even and can be measured through totally inclusive deep inelastic lepton-nucleon scattering (DIS). In fact, accumulated DIS data on  $f_1$  and  $g_1$ have provided us with rich information about the parton distributions in the nucleon. The third one  $h_1$  is chiral odd and cannot be measured through totally inclusive DIS. However, it appears as a leading contribution to the transversely polarized nucleon-nucleon Drell-Yan process [1-4], semiinclusive productions of baryons and pion in DIS [2,3], etc. This spin-dependent quark distribution, named the transversity distribution in [3], measures the probability in a transversely polarized nucleon to find a quark polarized parallel to the nucleon spin minus the probability to find it oppositely polarized. It thus supplies important information on the nucleon's spin structure not provided by the  $g_1$  distribution, and is expected to be measured by the BNL Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC) in the near future. So far theoretical studies on  $h_1$  include bag model calculations [3], QCD sum rule calculations [5], consideration of an inequality with other distributions [6], a lattice QCD calculation [7],

The  $Q^2$  evolution of these parton distribution functions is calculable in perturbative QCD. It is governed by the anomalous dimensions for the corresponding twist-2 operators and the  $\beta$  function. The leading order (LO)  $Q^2$  evolution of  $f_1$  and  $g_1$  has been known for a long time [8] and the LO  $Q^2$  evolution for  $h_1$  was also studied in [2,9]. For the next-to-leading order (NLO)  $Q^2$  evolution, we need two-loop anomalous dimensions. So far the two-loop anomalous dimension was calculated for  $f_1$  [10–15] and for  $g_1$  [16,17]. They have been used for the phenomenological parametrization of  $f_1$  [18] and  $g_1$  [19] to analyze accumulated experimental data.

The purpose of this paper is to calculate the two-loop anomalous dimension for  $h_1$ , following the method of [10,11]. We calculate the two-loop correction to the two-

point Green function which imbeds the twist-2 operators for  $h_1(x,Q^2)$ . The calculation is done in the minimal subtraction (MS) scheme in the dimensional regularization.

The construction of this paper is the following: In Sec. II, we briefly recall the twist-2 operators for the distribution  $h_1$ and summarize the formal aspect of the next-to-leading order effect in the  $Q^2$  evolution of  $h_1$ . In Sec. III, we describe the actual procedure of our calculation. Although the method is in parallel with that of [10,11], the presence of the free Lorentz index  $\mu$  in the twist-2 operators for  $h_1$  brings additional complication. We shall describe this peculiar feature for  $h_1$ in great detail, but omit the details which are common to both  $h_1$  and  $f_1$ . In Sec. IV, we present the results and discuss characteristic features of the NLO  $Q^2$  evolution of  $h_1(x,Q^2)$ . Readers not interested in the technical details can directly proceed to this section. Section V is devoted to a brief summary. In Appendix A, we present the necessary integral formulas to express the anomalous dimension contribution from each diagram. In Appendix B, we give the contribution to the anomalous dimension from each two-loop diagram.

## II. TWIST-2 OPERATOR FOR $h_I(x,Q^2)$ AND ITS RENORMALIZATION

The transversity distribution  $h_1(x,Q^2)$  of the nucleon is defined by the following relation [3]:

$$\begin{split} &\int \frac{d\lambda}{2\pi} e^{i\lambda x} \langle PS | \overline{\psi}(0) \sigma_{\mu\nu} i \gamma_5 \psi(\lambda n) |_{Q} | PS \rangle \\ &= 2 [h_1(x, Q^2) (S_{\perp\mu} p_{\nu} - S_{\perp\nu} p_{\mu}) / M \\ &\quad + h_L(x, Q^2) M (p_{\mu} n_{\nu} - p_{\nu} n_{\mu}) (S \cdot n) \\ &\quad + h_3(x, Q^2) M (S_{\perp\mu} n_{\nu} - S_{\perp\nu} n_{\mu}) ], \end{split} \tag{2.1}$$

where  $|PS\rangle$  is the nucleon (mass M) state specified by the four-momentum P and the spin vector S, and two lightlike vectors p and n are introduced by the relation  $P^{\mu}=p^{\mu}+(M^2/2)n^{\mu}$  and pn=1.  $S^{\mu}$  is decomposed as  $S^{\mu}=(S\cdot n)p^{\mu}+(S\cdot p)n^{\mu}+S^{\mu}_{\perp}$ . In Eq. (2.1), the gauge link operator to ensure the gauge invariance is suppressed.  $h_L$  and  $h_3$  are twist-3 and -4 distributions which are not in our in-

terest here. Taylor expanding the both sides of Eq. (2.1) with respect to  $\lambda$ , one can relates the *n*th moments of  $h_{1,L}$  to the following local operator:

$$\theta_{\mu\nu\mu_1\cdots\mu_n} = S_n \overline{\psi} i \gamma_5 \sigma_{\mu\nu} i D_{\mu_1} \cdots i D_{\mu_n} \psi, \qquad (2.2)$$

where  $S_n$  denotes the symmetrization among  $\nu, \mu_1, \ldots, \mu_n$ , and the covariant derivative  $D_{\mu} = \partial_{\mu} - igT^aA^a_{\mu}$  restores the gauge invariance. In particular, the *n*th moment of  $h_1$  is related to a tower of the twist-2 operators:

$$\int_{-1}^{1} dx \ x^{n} h_{1}(x, Q^{2}) = a_{n}(Q^{2}), \tag{2.3}$$

$$\langle PS | \overline{\theta}_{\mu\nu\mu_{1}\cdots\mu_{n}}(Q)\Delta^{\nu}\Delta^{\mu_{1}}\cdots\Delta^{\mu_{n}}|PS\rangle$$

$$= \frac{2}{M}a_{n}(Q) \left( S_{\mu}\hat{P}^{n+1} - P_{\mu}\hat{S}\hat{P}^{n} + \frac{2}{n+2}M^{2}\Delta_{\mu}\hat{S}\hat{P}^{n-1} \right),$$
(2.4)

where  $\overline{\theta}_{\mu\nu\mu_1\cdots\mu_n}$  is defined as the traceless part of  $\theta_{\mu\nu\mu_1\cdots\mu_n}$  defined by the condition

$$g^{\mu\mu_i}\,\overline{\theta}_{\mu\nu\mu_1\cdots\mu_n} = g^{\nu\mu_i}\,\overline{\theta}_{\mu\nu\mu_1\cdots\mu_n} = g^{\mu_i\mu_j}\,\overline{\theta}_{\mu\nu\mu_1\cdots\mu_n} = 0,$$
(2.5)

and we introduced a null vector  $\Delta^{\mu}$  ( $\Delta^2=0$ ) which symmetrizes the indices  $\nu,\mu_1,\ldots,\mu_n$ , and destroys the trace terms in  $\overline{\theta}_{\mu\nu\mu_1\cdots\mu_n}$  as usual.

For simplicity we symbolically use the notation  $O_n$  for  $\overline{\theta}_{\mu\nu\mu_1\cdots\mu_n}$  in what follows in this section. The bare  $(O_n^B)$  and the renormalized  $[O_n(\mu)]$  composite operators are related by the renormalization constant  $Z_n(\mu)$  for  $O_n$  as

$$O_n(\mu) = Z_n^{-1}(\mu) O_n^B$$
. (2.6)

The scale dependence of  $O_n(\mu)$  is obtained by solving the renormalization group equation

$$\mu \frac{dO_n(\mu)}{d\mu} + \gamma_n(g(\mu))O_n(\mu) = 0, \qquad (2.7)$$

where  $\gamma_n(g(\mu))$  is the anomalous dimension for the operator  $O_n(\mu)$  defined as

$$\gamma_n(g(\mu)) = \mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \ln Z_n(\mu).$$
 (2.8)

This equation is solved to give

$$O_n(Q^2) = O_n(\mu^2) \exp\left[-\int_{g(\mu^2)}^{g(Q^2)} dg \frac{\gamma_n(g)}{\beta(g)}\right].$$
 (2.9)

Up to next-to-leading order, the anomalous dimension  $\gamma_n(\mu)$  and the beta function  $\beta(g)$  can be expanded as

$$\gamma_n(g) = \frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} \gamma_n^{(0)} + \frac{g^4}{(16\pi^2)^2} \gamma_n^{(1)} + O(g^6), \quad (2.10)$$

$$\beta(g) = -\frac{g^3}{16\pi^2}\beta_0 - \frac{g^5}{(16\pi^2)^2}\beta_1 + O(g^7), \quad (2.11)$$

where the coefficients of the  $\beta$  functions are well known:  $\beta_0 = 11 - (2/3)N_f$ ,  $\beta_1 = 102 - (38/3)N_f$ , with the number of quark flavors,  $N_f$ . Inserting these equations into Eq. (2.9), one obtains the next-to-leading order evolution equation for the nth moment of  $h_1$  as

$$\frac{\mathcal{M}_{n}[h_{1}(Q^{2})]}{\mathcal{M}_{n}[h_{1}(\mu^{2})]} = \left(\frac{g^{2}(Q^{2})}{g^{2}(\mu^{2})}\right)^{\gamma_{n}^{(0)/2\beta_{0}}} \times \left(\frac{\beta_{0} + \beta_{1}g^{2}(Q^{2})/16\pi^{2}}{\beta_{0} + \beta_{1}g^{2}(\mu^{2})/16\pi^{2}}\right)^{(\gamma_{n}^{(1)/\beta_{1}} - \gamma_{n}^{(0)/\beta_{0})/2}}, \tag{2.12}$$

with

$$\frac{g^2(Q^2)}{16\pi^2} = \frac{1}{\beta_0 \ln(Q^2/\Lambda^2)} \left[ 1 - \frac{\beta_1 \ln(Q^2/\Lambda^2)}{\beta_0^2 \ln(Q^2/\Lambda^2)} + \cdots \right],$$
(2.13)

where we introduced the shorthand notation  $\mathcal{M}_n[h_1(\mu)] \equiv \int_{-1}^1 dx \ x^n h_1(x,\mu)$ . This NLO effect in  $h_1$  has to be combined with the NLO effect in the hard cross section in the parton level to give a prediction for a relevant physical cross section in the NLO level.

In the MS scheme of the dimensional regularization, one obtains  $Z_n(\mu)$  as

$$Z_n(\mu) = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{X_k^n(g(\mu))}{\varepsilon^k},$$
 (2.14)

with  $\varepsilon = (4-d)/2$ . Then the anomalous dimension is obtained as

$$\gamma_n(g) = -2g^2 \frac{\partial X_1^n}{\partial g^2}.$$
 (2.15)

Therefore  $\gamma_n^{(1)}$  in Eq. (2.10) is -4 times the coefficient of the  $g^4/(16\pi^2)^2$  term in  $X_1^n(\mu)$ . (See [10] for details.)

# III. CALCULATION OF THE TWO-LOOP ANOMALOUS DIMENSION

To obtain the renormalization constants for  $\overline{\theta}^{\mu\nu\mu_1\cdots\mu_n}$  in Eq. (2.4), we calculate the two-loop correction to the two-point function for  $\overline{\theta}$  with off-shell quark lines having the momentum p ( $p^2 < 0$ ). The calculation of the two-loop Feynman diagram is rather involved, and we follow the procedure of [10,11]. To discuss the renormalization of  $\overline{\theta}$ , the presence of  $i\gamma_5$  is irrelevant, since no Fermion loops containing  $\overline{\theta}$  contribute. We shall henceforth omit  $i\gamma_5$  for notational simplicity and consider the renormalization of the operator  $O_n^{\mu\nu\mu_1\cdots\mu_n}$  defined by

$$O_n^{\mu\nu\mu_1\cdots\mu_n} = \mathcal{S}\mathcal{T}_n\overline{\psi}\sigma^{\mu\nu}iD^{\mu_1}\cdots iD^{\mu_n}\psi, \qquad (3.1)$$

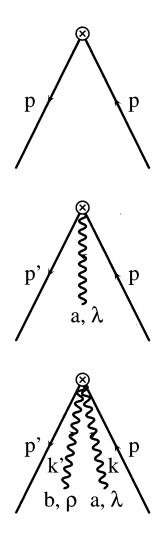


FIG. 1. Basic vertices for  $O_n^{\mu} \cdot \Delta$  with 0, 1, and 2 gluon lines.

where  $\mathcal{S}\mathcal{T}_n$  denotes the symmetrization among  $\nu,\mu_1,\ldots,\mu_n$  and the traceless condition in Eq. (2.5). As usual, we contract  $O_n^{\mu\nu\mu_1\cdots\mu_n}$  with a null vector  $\Delta^\mu$  to destroy the trace terms, and consider the renormalization of  $O_n^\mu\cdot\Delta\equiv O_n^{\mu\nu\mu_1\cdots\mu_n}\Delta_\nu\Delta_{\mu_1}\cdots\Delta_{\mu_n}$  in the following. The calculation is done in the Feynman gauge for the gluon propagator, but the results should be independent of the gauge.

We first need the Feynman rule for the basic vertices for the operator  $O_n^{\mu} \cdot \Delta$  with 0, 1, 2 gluon lines shown in Fig. 1:

$$O_n^{(0)\mu} \cdot \Delta = \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\nu} \hat{p}^n, \tag{3.2}$$

$$O_n^{(1)\mu} \cdot \Delta = g T^a \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\nu} \sum_{j=1}^n \hat{p}'^{j-1} \Delta^{\lambda} \hat{p}^{n-j},$$
 (3.3)

$$\begin{split} O_{n}^{(2)\mu} \cdot \Delta \\ &= g^{2} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\nu} \bigg[ \sum_{1 \leq j < l \leq n} \hat{p}^{\prime j - 1} (\hat{p} + \hat{k}^{\prime})^{l - j - 1} \hat{p}^{n - l} \Delta_{\lambda} \Delta_{\rho} T^{a} T^{b} \\ &+ \sum_{1 \leq j < l \leq n} \hat{p}^{\prime j - 1} (\hat{p} + \hat{k})^{l - j - 1} \hat{p}^{n - l} \Delta_{\lambda} \Delta_{\rho} T^{b} T^{a} \bigg], \end{split}$$

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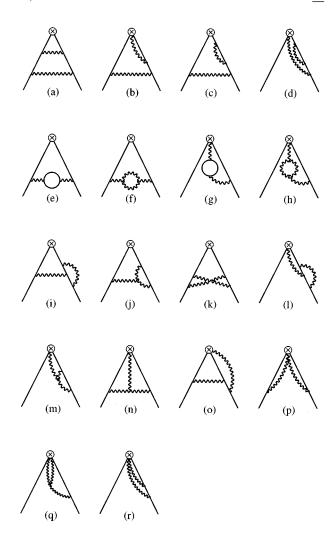


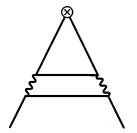
FIG. 2. Two-loop corrections to the one-particle-irreducible two-point Green function which embeds the operator  $O_n^{\mu} \cdot \Delta$ . For diagrams not symmetric, crossed diagrams must be included. In (f) and (h), the contributions from the Faddev-Popov ghost and tadpole diagram must be added.

where we introduced the notation  $\hat{p} \equiv p \cdot \Delta$  for a four-vector p. If one replaces  $\sigma^{\mu\nu}\Delta_{\nu}$  by  $\Delta$  in Eqs. (3.2)–(3.4), one obtains the Feynman rule for the same basic vertices for  $f_1$ , which are used in [10]. Relevant two-loop diagrams are shown in Figs. 2, 3, and 4. Diagrams shown in Fig. 3 are only for the flavor-singlet distribution, but they do not contribute to the renormalization of  $h_1$  owing to its chiral-odd nature. Those in Fig. 4 are the self-energy corrections and are given in [10].

Among the contribution from each diagram in Fig. 2, we can show that Figs. 2(d), 2(g), 2(h), 2(l), 2(m), 2(q), and 2(r) give the same anomalous dimension to  $h_1$  as the  $f_1$  distribution calculated in [10]. To see this, we note the relation

$$\sigma^{\mu\nu}\Delta = i \gamma^{\mu}\Delta - i \Delta^{\mu} = -i \Delta \gamma^{\mu} + i \Delta^{\mu}. \tag{3.5}$$

The term proportional to  $\Delta^{\mu}$  is the trace term, and thus we can drop it and use either  $i \gamma^{\mu} \Delta$  or  $-i \Delta \gamma^{\mu}$  instead of  $\sigma^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\nu}$  in the actual calculation. We shall henceforth use the three forms for the vertex factor,  $\sigma^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\nu}$ ,  $\gamma^{\mu} \Delta$ , and  $-\Delta \gamma^{\mu}$ , interchangeably (we also drop factor i for simplicity) without mentioning it explicitly. Therefore the difference in the



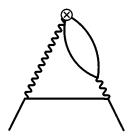


FIG. 3. The same as Fig. 2 but for the flavor-singlet distribution. These diagrams do not contribute to the renormalization of  $h_1$ .

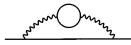
Feynman rule between  $h_1$  and  $f_1$  is merely the presence of  $i\gamma^\mu$  next to  $\Delta$ . The loop corrections in the above diagrams are located in the right or left half of the diagram and hence the presence of  $\gamma^\mu$  does not bring any change in the calculation of the renormalization constants compared with the  $f_1$  case. We can thus take the results from [10] for these diagrams.

It is also easy to confirm that the diagrams 2(a), 2(b), and 2(c) become finite due to the form of the vertex, and hence no contribution to the anomalous dimension unlike the case for  $f_1$ . Diagram 2(p) has no contribution as in the case of  $f_1$ . Calculation of Figs. 2(e) and 2(f) is also standard. One gets contribution from these two diagrams which are independent of n unlike  $f_1$  case.

A rather heavy calculation is required for the diagrams 2(i), 2(j), 2(k), 2(n), and 2(o). Compared with the renormalization of  $f_1$ , an additional complication is caused by the presence of the free Lorentz index  $\mu$  in  $O_n^{\mu} \cdot \Delta$ . To explain our strategy of the calculation, we take the diagram 2(i) as an example. We assign the momentum as shown in Fig. 5. Application of the Feynman rule results in the following contribution from the diagram:

$$F^{(i)} = g^4 \frac{1}{2N_c} C_F \int Dk_1 \int Dk_2 \frac{\hat{k}_1^n N(k_1, k_2)}{D(k_1, k_2)}, \quad (3.6)$$





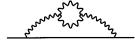






FIG. 4. Two-loop corrections to the quark self-energy. The ghost-loop and the tadpole contribution is implied as in Fig. 2.

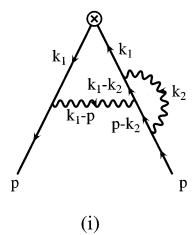


FIG. 5. Momentum labeling for the diagram Fig. 2(i).

$$D(k_1, k_2) = k_1^4 k_2^2 (k_1 - p)^2 (k_2 - p)^2 (k_1 - k_2)^2, \quad (3.7)$$

$$N(k_1,k_2) = \gamma_{\lambda} \boldsymbol{k}_1 \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\nu} \boldsymbol{k}_1 \gamma_{\rho} (\boldsymbol{k}_1 - \boldsymbol{k}_2) \gamma^{\lambda} (\boldsymbol{p} - \boldsymbol{k}_2) \gamma^{\rho}, \tag{3.8}$$

where

$$\int Dk_1 \equiv \int \frac{d^d k_1}{(2\pi)^d}.$$
 (3.9)

Our task is to extract from Eq. (3.6) the  $1/\varepsilon$  pole terms proportional to  $\sigma^{\mu\nu}\Delta_{\nu}\hat{p}^{n}$ . To this end we first contract the index  $\rho$  in the numerator of Eq. (3.8), noting the properties of the  $\gamma$  matrix in  $d=4-2\varepsilon$  dimension. This gives

$$\begin{split} N(k_1,k_2) &= -2(1+\varepsilon)\gamma_{\lambda} \boldsymbol{k}_1 \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\nu} \boldsymbol{k}_1 (\not p - \boldsymbol{k}_2) \gamma^{\lambda} (\boldsymbol{k}_1 - \boldsymbol{k}_2) \\ &+ 4\varepsilon (\boldsymbol{k}_1 - \boldsymbol{k}_2) \boldsymbol{k}_1 \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\nu} \boldsymbol{k}_1 (\not p - \boldsymbol{k}_2) \\ &+ 4\varepsilon (\not p - \boldsymbol{k}_2) \boldsymbol{k}_1 \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\nu} \boldsymbol{k}_1 (\boldsymbol{k}_1 - \boldsymbol{k}_2) \\ &- 4\varepsilon (k_1 - k_2) \cdot (p - k_2) \gamma_{\lambda} \boldsymbol{k}_1 \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\nu} \boldsymbol{k}_1 \gamma^{\lambda}. \end{split} \tag{3.10}$$

Noting  $\gamma_{\lambda} k_1 \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\nu} k_1 \gamma^{\lambda} = -2\varepsilon k_1 \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\nu} k_1$ , the last term of Eq. (3.10) becomes  $O(\varepsilon^2)$  and cannot produce  $1/\varepsilon$  poles so that we can drop it. Using the same relation in the first term, one gets, up to  $O(\varepsilon)$ ,

$$\begin{split} N(k_1,k_2) &= -4(\not p - \not k_2) \not k_1 \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\nu} \not k_1 (\not k_1 - \not k_2) \\ &- 4\varepsilon \not k_1 \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\nu} \not k_1 (\not p - \not k_2) (\not k_1 - \not k_2) \\ &+ 4\varepsilon (\not k_1 - \not k_2) \not k_1 \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\nu} \not k_1 (\not p - \not k_2). \end{split} \tag{3.11}$$

In the first and third terms in Eq. (3.11), we can discard the terms which have p at the leftmost or the rightmost places, since those terms are either ultraviolet finite from power counting or only cause trace terms which are proportional to  $\Delta^{\mu}$ . In fact, for example, one can write

$$\int Dk_1 \int Dk_2 \frac{\hat{k}_1^n p k_1 \gamma^{\mu} \Delta k_1 k_2}{D(k_1, k_2)} = A p \gamma^{\mu} \hat{p}^{n+1} (p^2)^{-(1+2\varepsilon)}$$

$$+ B p^{\mu} p \Delta \hat{p}^n (p^2)^{-(1+2\varepsilon)} + B' p^{\mu} \hat{p}^{n+1} (p^2)^{-(1+2\varepsilon)}$$

$$+C\Delta^{\mu} \not p \Delta \hat{p}^{n-1} (p^2)^{-2\varepsilon} + C' \Delta^{\mu} \hat{p}^n (p^2)^{-2\varepsilon}, \qquad (3.12)$$

where A, B, and B' terms are finite, and C and C' terms are the trace terms. Dropping these terms, one can rewrite Eq. (3.11) as follows:

$$\begin{split} N(k_1,k_2) &= -4k_1^2 \pmb{k}_2 \pmb{k}_1 \Delta \gamma^\mu - 4\varepsilon k_1^2 \gamma^\mu \Delta \pmb{k}_1 \pmb{k}_2 \\ &- 4(1-\varepsilon) \pmb{k}_2 \pmb{k}_1 \gamma^\mu \Delta \pmb{k}_1 \pmb{k}_2 + 4\varepsilon (2k_1 \cdot k_2 - 2p \cdot k_1 \\ &+ 2p \cdot k_2 - k_2^2) \pmb{k}_1 \gamma^\mu \Delta \pmb{k}_1 - 4\varepsilon k_1^2 \pmb{k}_1 \gamma^\mu \Delta \pmb{k}_2 \,. \end{split}$$
 (3.13)

The integration of the first and second terms in Eq. (3.13) can be handled as follows. One can write

$$\int Dk_1 \int Dk_2 \frac{k_1^2 \hat{k}_1^n \hat{k}_2 \hat{k}_1 \Delta \gamma^{\mu}}{D(k_1, k_2)} = A \Delta \gamma^{\mu} + (\text{finite as } \epsilon \to 0),$$
(3.14)

where A can contain a pole at  $\varepsilon = 0$ . The A term can be projected out by multiplying  $p^{\mu}$  to both sides of Eq. (3.14) and taking trace of both sides. This is equivalent to replace in the numerator of Eq. (3.14) as

Similarly to Eq. (3.15), we can replace in the second term of Eq. (3.13) as

$$\gamma^{\mu} \Delta k_1 k_2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{\hat{p}} (\hat{p} k_1 \cdot k_2 + \hat{k}_1 p \cdot k_2 - \hat{k}_2 p \cdot k_1) \gamma^{\mu} \Delta. \tag{3.16}$$

After the replacement (3.15) in Eq. (3.14), the integration can be easily done by the same method as [10]: For example,  $k_1 \cdot k_2$  in the first term of Eq. (3.15) is replaced by  $1/2[k_1^2 + k_2^2 - (k_1 - k_2)^2]$ . Then each of these three terms combined with the  $k_1^2$  factor in Eq. (3.14) cancels some of the factors in the denominator  $D(k_1, k_2)$  in Eq. (3.7), leaving the  $O(k_{1,2}^8)$  factor in the denominator. After this cancellation, one needs only one Feynman parameter for each integration  $(\int Dk_1$  and  $\int Dk_2)$  and thus one can easily carry out the integration.

As is shown in this example, our strategy of the calculation is to devise a suitable replacement for each term in the numerator to project out the pole terms proportional to  $\gamma^{\mu}\Delta$  or  $\Delta\gamma^{\mu}$ . After this projection, it turns out that we can express the final formula for the pole contributions of the two-loop diagrams in terms of the integral formula  $I_1-I_{14}$  listed in the appendix of [11] and two new integrals  $I_{15}$  and  $I_{16}$  shown in Appendix A.

As was stated in Eq. (2.15), simple pole terms ( $\sim 1/\varepsilon$ ) from each two-loop Feynman diagram give rise to the anomalous dimension. There are two origins for the simple poles: (i) the  $O(\varepsilon^0)$  contribution in the numerator combined with the  $1/\varepsilon$  singularity from the integral and (ii) the  $O(\varepsilon)$  contribution in the numerator combined with the  $1/\varepsilon^2$  singularity from the integral. For the type-(i) singularity, one can

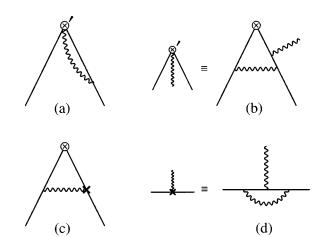


FIG. 6. The counterterm contributions to Fig. 2(i).

subtract the counter terms after transforming each two-loop integral into the form of  $I_1$ - $I_{16}$ . Therefore, in the integral formulas given in [11] and Appendix A, the counterterms for the simple pole terms are already subtracted. To subtract the counterterms for the type-(ii)  $1/\varepsilon$  pole, we have to come back to the original diagram [10]. In Fig. 6, we schematically show the counterterm contribution for the diagram (i) in Fig. 2. In Fig. 6(a), the counterterm corresponds to the renormalization of the operator in one loop [Fig. 6(b)], but the numerator of the diagram in Fig. 6(a) has no  $\varepsilon$ . In Fig. 6(c) the counterterm comes from the one-loop contribution to the vertex correction [Fig. 6(d)]. But the loop integration of Fig. 6(c) becomes finite, and hence there is no counterterm contribution. To summarize, we only have to subtract the counterterms for the simple poles in  $I_1$ – $I_{16}$  for the diagram 2(i). This is also true for other diagrams in Fig. 2 for the present case of  $h_1$ .

The integration of the third term in Eq. (3.13) is rather demanding. We repeatedly apply the anticommutation relation to move the leftmost  $k_2$  until it merges the rightmost  $k_2$  to form  $k_2k_2=k_2^2$ . One then obtains

$$k_{2}k_{1}\gamma^{\mu}\Delta k_{1}k_{2} = 2k_{1} \cdot k_{2}\gamma^{\mu}\Delta k_{1}k_{2} - 4\hat{k}_{1}k_{2}^{\mu}k_{1}k_{2} + 2k_{1}^{2}k_{2}^{\mu}\Delta k_{2}$$

$$+4\hat{k}_{2}k_{1}^{\mu}k_{1}k_{2} - 2\hat{k}_{2}k_{1}^{2}\gamma^{\mu}k_{2}$$

$$-2k_{1} \cdot k_{2}k_{1}\gamma^{\mu}\Delta k_{2} + k_{2}^{2}k_{1}\gamma^{\mu}\Delta k_{1}. \qquad (3.17)$$

The first term of Eq. (3.17) can be handled in the same way as Eq. (3.16).

The fifth term of Eq. (3.17) is the easiest to deal with. One only has to make the replacement

$$\gamma^{\mu} k_2 \rightarrow \frac{p \cdot k_2}{\hat{p}} \gamma^{\mu} \Delta$$
 (3.18)

by the same argument as in Eq. (3.14).

The third term of Eq. (3.17) can be treated as follows. To meet with more general situation we replace  $k_2^{\mu}$  by  $k_1^{\mu}$  ( $k_1^{\mu}$  can be put equal to  $k_1^{\mu}$  or  $k_2^{\mu}$  in the following formula). From power counting, one can write

$$\int Dk_1 \int Dk_2 \frac{\hat{k}_1^n k_1^2 k_1^{\mu} \Delta k_2}{D(k_1, k_2)} = A \Delta \gamma^{\mu} + B \Delta^{\mu} \Delta p$$
+ (finite as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ ),
(3.19)

where A and B can contain poles at  $\varepsilon = 0$ . To project out the A term, we multiply  $\not p \gamma^{\mu}$  from the left and take the trace. To  $O(\varepsilon)$ , this is equivalent to the replacement

$$k_1^{\mu} \Delta k_2 \rightarrow \frac{-1}{2\hat{p}} (1+\varepsilon) (\hat{k}_1 p \cdot k_2 + \hat{k}_2 p \cdot k_1 - \hat{p} k_1 \cdot k_2) \Delta \gamma^{\mu}$$

$$(3.20)$$

in the numerator of Eq. (3.19). Similarly to Eq. (3.20), we often meet the following replacement in the calculation:

$$k_1^{\mu} k_2 \Delta \rightarrow \frac{-1}{2\hat{p}} (1+\varepsilon) (\hat{k}_1 p \cdot k_2 + \hat{k}_2 p \cdot k_1 - \hat{p} k_1 \cdot k_2) \gamma^{\mu} \Delta. \tag{3.21}$$

We can deal with the second and fourth terms of Eq. (3.17) as follows. Without loss of generality one can write  $(q^{\mu} = k_1^{\mu} \text{ or } k_2^{\mu})$ 

$$\int Dk_1 \int Dk_2 \frac{\hat{k}_1^{n+1} q^{\mu} k_1 k_2}{D(k_1, k_2)} = A \gamma^{\mu} \Delta + B \Delta^{\mu} + C \Delta^{\mu} p \Delta + (\text{finite as } \epsilon \rightarrow 0),$$

$$(3.22)$$

where A, B, and C can contain poles at  $\varepsilon = 0$ , and we can ignore finite contribution. To project out the A term, we combine two operations. (i) Multiply  $p^{\mu}\Delta p$  from the right and take trace. (ii) Multiply  $\gamma^{\mu}p\hat{p}$  from the right and take trace. Taking the difference between these two results, it

turns out that the projection of the A term in Eq. (3.22) is equivalent to the following replacement in the integrand:

$$q^{\mu} k_{1} k_{2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2\hat{p}^{2}} (1 + \varepsilon) \{ \hat{p} (p \cdot k_{2} q \cdot k_{1} - p \cdot k_{1} q \cdot k_{2}) - p \cdot q (\hat{k}_{1} p \cdot k_{2} - \hat{k}_{2} p \cdot k_{1}) \} \gamma^{\mu} \Delta.$$
 (3.23)

The sixth term in Eq. (3.17) can be rewritten as  $\mathbf{k}_1 \gamma^{\mu} \Delta \mathbf{k}_2 = 2k_1^{\mu} \Delta \mathbf{k}_2 - 2\hat{k}_1 \gamma^{\mu} \mathbf{k}_2 + \gamma^{\mu} \Delta \mathbf{k}_1 \mathbf{k}_2$  and we can apply Eqs. (3.20), (3.18), and (3.16) for each term, and likewise for the seventh term in Eq. (3.17).

As an application of the above replacement rules, we prove a useful lemma here.

*Lemma.* A term of the form  $\varepsilon k \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Delta_{\nu} k'$ , where k and k' are either  $k_1$  or  $k_2$ , does not give rise  $1/\varepsilon$  pole.

*Proof.* We write  $\varepsilon k \gamma^{\mu} \Delta k' = 2\varepsilon k^{\mu} \Delta k' - 2\varepsilon \hat{k} \gamma^{\mu} k' + \varepsilon \gamma^{\mu} \Delta k k'$ , and apply Eqs. (3.20), (3.18), and (3.16) for each term. Then it vanishes, ignoring the  $O(\varepsilon^2)$  term. This completes the proof.

Applying this lemma, we can drop fourth and the fifth terms in Eq. (3.13), which completes transformation of all terms in Eq. (3.13) into the requested forms as mentioned before. By this lemma we can drop many of the terms in the calculation of the diagrams 2(i), 2(j), and 2(k).

The obtained rules for the replacement (3.15), (3.16), (3.18), (3.20), (3.21), and (3.23) give all the necessary formula to carry out the integration of the two-loop diagrams. Using the method described in this section, we obtained the anomalous dimension from all the diagrams in Fig. 2. They are given in Appendix B.

### IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Collecting all the contribution from each diagram in Figs. 2 and 4 (see Appendix B and the Appendixes of [10,12]), we obtained  $\gamma_n^{(1)}$  for  $h_1$  as

$$\begin{split} \gamma_n^{h(1)} &= 4\,C_F^2 \bigg[ S_2(n+1) - 2S_1(n+1) - \frac{1}{4} \bigg] + C_F C_G \bigg[ -16S_1(n+1)S_2(n+1) - \frac{58}{3}S_2(n+1) + \frac{572}{9}S_1(n+1) - \frac{20}{3} \bigg] \\ &- 8 \bigg( C_F^2 - \frac{1}{2}C_F C_G \bigg) \bigg[ 4S_1(n+1) \bigg\{ S_2' \bigg( \frac{n+1}{2} \bigg) - S_2(n+1) - \frac{1}{4} \bigg\} - 8\,\widetilde{S}(n+1) + S_3' \bigg( \frac{n+1}{2} \bigg) \\ &- \frac{5}{2}S_2(n+1) + \frac{(1+(-1)^n)}{(n+1)(n+2)} + \frac{1}{4} \bigg] + \frac{32}{9}C_F T_R \bigg[ 3S_2(n+1) - 5S_1(n+1) + \frac{3}{8} \bigg], \end{split} \tag{4.1}$$

where

$$S_k(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{j^k},$$
 (4.2)

$$S_{k}'\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) = \frac{1 + (-1)^{n}}{2} S_{k}\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \frac{1 - (-1)^{n}}{2} S_{k}\left(\frac{n - 1}{2}\right),\tag{4.3}$$

$$\widetilde{S}(n) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{(-1)^{j}}{j^{2}} S_{1}(j).$$
 (4.4)

[Note that  $2/3S_1(n)$  in the second line of Eq. (A8) in [12] should read  $2/3S_3(n)$ .] This final formula for  $h_1(x,Q^2)$  is very complicated as in the case of  $f_1(x,Q^2)$  and is subject to numerical analysis to study its  $Q^2$  evolution. In Table I, we

TABLE I. The coefficients of the two-loop anomalous dimension  $\gamma_n^{(1)}$  for  $h_1$  with the number of quark flavors  $N_f = 3, 4, 5$ .

n	$\gamma_n^{(1)}$		
	$N_f = 3$	4	5
0	68.89	65.04	61.19
1	100.00	92.00	84.00
2	123.08	111.92	100.76
3	140.51	126.83	113.15
4	155.36	139.60	123.83
5	167.87	150.33	132.79
6	179.02	159.93	140.84
7	188.84	168.38	147.92
8	197.81	176.12	154.43
9	205.91	183.11	160.31
10	213.43	189.61	165.79
11	220.34	195.58	170.82
12	226.82	201.19	175.56
13	232.84	206.40	179.96
14	238.54	211.34	184.14
15	243.88	215.97	188.06
16	248.96	220.38	191.79
17	253.77	224.55	195.32
18	258.36	228.53	198.71
19	262.72	232.32	201.92
20	266.91	235.96	205.01

present the actual numbers of  $\gamma_n^{h(1)}$  ( $\gamma_n^{(1)}$  for  $h_1$ ) for  $n=0,\ldots,20$ . This table can be compared with Table 2 of [10], which presents  $\gamma_n^{f(1)}$  ( $\gamma_n^{(1)}$  for  $f_1$ ). (Note that n in [10] corresponds to our n-1.) We also plotted  $\gamma_n^{h,f(1)}$  for  $N_f=3$ , 5 in Fig. 7 to compare their behavior. From Fig. 7, one sees clearly that at small n  $\gamma_n^{h(1)}$  is significantly larger than  $\gamma_n^{f(1)}$  but approaches very quickly to  $\gamma_n^{f(1)}$ , keeping the condition  $\gamma_n^{h(1)} > \gamma_n^{f(1)}$ . This feature is the same as the one-loop anomalous dimensions  $\gamma_n^{h,f(0)}$  which reads

$$\gamma_n^{f(0)} = 2C_F \left( 1 - \frac{2}{(n+1)(n+2)} + 4\sum_{j=2}^{n+1} \frac{1}{j} \right),$$
 (4.5)

$$\gamma_n^{h(0)} = 2C_F \left(1 + 4\sum_{j=2}^{n+1} \frac{1}{j}\right),$$
 (4.6)

and hence  $\gamma_n^{h(0)} > \gamma_n^{f(0)}$  for all n. Actually this tendency is even stronger for the two-loop case. We note that for n=0 the anomalous dimension for  $f_1$  is zero in all orders because of the Ward identity for the vector current. On the other hand,  $h_1$  projects onto the tensor operator  $\overline{\psi}\sigma^{\mu\nu}\psi$  for n=0, for which there is no conservation law. Hence  $\gamma_n^{h(0,1)} \neq 0$ . This can be taken as a good reason for  $\gamma_n^{h(0,1)} > \gamma_n^{f(0,1)}$  especially at small n. From the difference between  $\gamma_n^{f(1)}$  and  $\gamma_n^{h(1)}$  at small n, we expect that the NLO effect leads to larger difference in the  $Q^2$  evolution in the small-x region.

At large n,  $\gamma_n^{h,f(1)}$  receives dominant contributions from diagrams (d), (g), (h), (m), (q), and (r) in Fig. 2 which give the same anomalous dimension both for  $h_1$  and  $f_1$ , and sub-

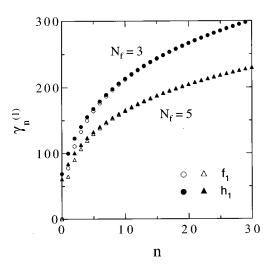


FIG. 7. The coefficients of the two-loop anomalous dimension  $\gamma_n^{f,h(1)}$  for  $N_f=3$  (circle) and  $N_f=5$  (triangle).

dominant contribution from Figs. 2(n), 2(1), 2(f), and 2(e) and the self-energy corrections shown in Fig. 4. All other diagrams in Fig. 2 give minor corrections, although they are very important at small n. As is discussed in [12],  $\gamma_n^{f(1)}$  behaves as  $\sim \ln(n)$  at large n with the cancellation among  $\sim \ln^2 n$  and  $\sim \ln^3 n$  terms which arise from some of the diagrams. Equation (4.1) and quick merging between  $\gamma_n^{h(1)}$  and  $\gamma_n^{f(1)}$  at large n ( $n \ge 10$ ) with the relation  $\gamma_n^{h(1)} > \gamma_n^{f(1)}$  for all n clearly shows  $\gamma_n^{h(1)} \sim \ln(n)$ .

The relevant quantities for the  $Q^2$  evolution of the moments are  $\gamma_n^{(0)}/2\beta_0$  and  $\gamma_n^{(1)}/2\beta_1$  as is seen from Eq. (2.12). In Fig. 8(a), we plotted these quantities for  $f_1$  and  $h_1$  with  $N_f$ =3. Since the NLO effect is determined by their difference [see Eq. (2.12)], we plotted  $\gamma_n^{f,h(1)}/2\beta_1 - \gamma_n^{f,h(0)}/2\beta_0$  in Fig. 8(b) for  $N_f$ =3 and 5 cases. From Fig. 8(b), one expects that at small n the NLO effect in the  $Q^2$  evolution is quite different between  $\mathcal{M}_n[h_1(Q^2)]$  and  $\mathcal{M}_n[f_1(Q^2)]$ . Since  $\gamma_n^{f(0,1)} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\gamma_n^{f(1)}/2\beta_1 - \gamma_n^{f(0)}/2\beta_0$  abruptly drops to zero as  $n \rightarrow 0$ . But this is not the case for  $h_1$ : The difference between the black circles and squares in Fig. 8(a) shows a characteristic behavior as shown in Fig. 8(b).

As an example of the  $Q^2$  evolution, we show in Figs. 9(a) and 9(b) the  $Q^2$  evolution of the tensor charge and the first moments, respectively, with the parameters  $N_f$ =3 and  $\Lambda$ =0.232 GeV in Eq. (2.13). (Here we are interested in the NLO effect in the anomalous dimension and the  $\beta$  function, and thus we adopted the same value for the  $\Lambda$  parameter in the LO and NLO evolution.) They are normalized at  $Q^2$ =1 GeV $^2$ . At n=0, only diagrams 2(e), 2(f), 2(i), 2(j), and 2(k) survive. They give the anomalous dimension for the tensor charge as

$$\gamma_0^{h(1)} = -19C_F^2 + \frac{257}{9}C_FC_G - \frac{52}{9}C_FT_R = \frac{724}{9} - \frac{104}{27}N_f. \tag{4.7}$$

From Fig. 9(a), we can compare the LO and NLO  $Q^2$  evolution of the tensor charge of the nucleon. One sees that the NLO effect is sizable as is expected from Fig. 8(b). In Fig.

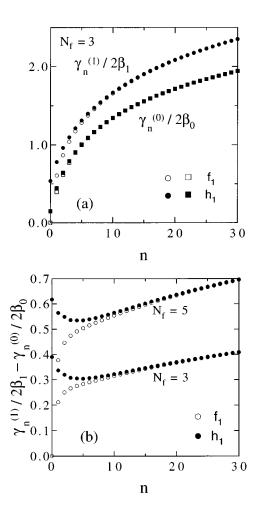


FIG. 8. (a)  $\gamma_n^{f,h(1)}/2\beta_1$  (circle) and  $\gamma_n^{f,h(0)}/2\beta_0$  (square). (b)  $\gamma_n^{f,h(1)}/2\beta_1-\gamma_n^{f,h(0)}/2\beta_0$  for  $N_f=3$ , 5.

9(b), we plotted the LO and NLO  $Q^2$  evolution both for  $\mathcal{M}_1[f_1(Q^2)]$  and  $\mathcal{M}_1[h_1(Q^2)]$ . Although the NLO effect in the anomalous dimension [the second factor on the right-hand side of Eq. (2.12)] makes this ratio smaller, the NLO effect in the coupling constant [the first factor on the right-hand side of Eq. (2.12)] completely cancels this effect. For  $f_1$ , the latter effect is actually bigger than the former effect. As was stated in Sec. II, the NLO effect in the distribution function has to be combined with the NLO effect in the hard cross section in the parton level to give a prediction for a physical quantity. We will pursue this issue in a future publication.

### V. SUMMARY

In this paper, we have carried out the calculation of the two-loop anomalous dimension for the transversity distribution  $h_1(x,Q^2)$ . The calculation was done in the MS scheme of the dimensional regularization. This completes the calculation of the anomalous dimensions for all the twist-2 distributions of the nucleon in the NLO level. We found that  $\gamma_n^{h(1)}$  is significantly larger than  $\gamma_n^{f(1)}$  at small n, but approaches very quickly to  $\gamma_n^{f(1)}$  at large n, keeping the condition  $\gamma_n^{h(1)} > \gamma_n^{f(1)}$ . This means that the NLO effect for  $h_1$  is quite different from that for  $f_1$  in the small-x region. As an ex-

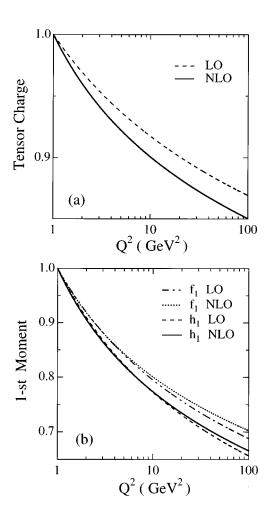


FIG. 9. (a) The LO and NLO  $Q^2$  evolution of the tensor charge normalized at  $Q^2=1$  GeV<sup>2</sup>. (b) The LO and NLO  $Q^2$  evolution of the first moment of  $h_1(x,Q^2)$  and the nonsinglet  $f_1(x,Q^2)$  normalized at  $Q^2=1$  GeV<sup>2</sup>.

ample, we have compared the LO and the NLO  $Q^2$  evolution of the tensor charge and the first moment of  $f_1$  and  $h_1$ . We hope the peculiar feature of the  $Q^2$  evolution of  $h_1$  studied in this paper will be measured in the ongoing and planned experiments in the near future.

Note added. After submission of this work for publication, there appeared a paper [20] which calculated the NLO splitting function for  $h_1$  in the lightlike axial gauge and also presented the anamalous dimension by taking its moments. Our result for the anomalous dimension agrees with the one in [20]. After submission, we also learned that there appeared a paper [21], which calculated the two-loop anomalous dimension for  $h_1$  in the same formalism as ours. Although the original result in [21] was wrong and was presented in a very complicated nonfinal form, the authors of [21] corrected their result and it agrees with ours.

#### APPENDIX A: INTEGRAL FORMULA

To write down the two-loop anomalous dimension for  $h_1$ , it turns out that we need two more integral formulas  $I_{15}$  and  $I_{16}$ , in addition to  $I_1-I_{14}$  defined in the Appendix of [11]. As in the case of  $I_1-I_{14}$ , we define them by subtracting the counterterm contribution for the simple-pole term but not

subtracting the counterterm for the double-pole term as explained in the text:

$$I_{15}(M,0) \equiv \int \frac{d^D k_1}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{d^D k_2}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{\hat{k}_1^M k_1 \cdot k_2}{k_1^4 (k_1 - p)^2 (k_2 - p)^2 (k_1 - k_2)^2},$$

$$I_{15}(M,0) = \frac{\hat{p}^M}{(16\pi^2)^2} \frac{3}{4(M+1)} \left[ -\frac{1}{2\varepsilon^2} + \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} \left\{ \frac{1}{3M} + \frac{1}{M+1} - 2 \right\} \right], \quad (M \ge 1), \quad (A1)$$

$$I_{15}(0,0) = \frac{-1}{4(16\pi^2)^2} \left( \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \right), \quad (A2)$$

$$I_{16}(M,N) \equiv \int \frac{d^{D}k_{1}}{(2\pi)^{D}} \frac{d^{D}k_{2}}{(2\pi)^{D}} \times \frac{\hat{k}_{1}^{M}\hat{k}_{2}^{N}k_{1} \cdot p}{k_{1}^{4}(k_{2}-p)^{2}(k_{1}-k_{2})^{2}(k_{1}-k_{2}+p)^{2}},$$

$$I_{16}(M,N) = \frac{\hat{p}^{M+N}}{2(16\pi^{2})^{2}} \frac{M!N!}{(M+N)!} \times \sum_{k=0}^{N} \frac{(k+1)!(M+N-k-1)!}{(N-k)!(M+k+1)!} \times \left[ -\frac{1}{2\varepsilon^{2}} + \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} \{S_{1}(M+N-k-1) + S_{1}(M+k+1) - 2S_{1}(M+N+1)\} \right]$$

$$(M \ge 1, N \ge 0), \qquad (A3)$$

$$\begin{split} I_{16}(0,N) &= \frac{-\hat{p}^N}{(4\pi)^4} \frac{N}{4(N+1)} \bigg[ \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \left( 2S_1(N+1) - 2S_1(k+1) + S_1(k) - S_1(N-k-1) - \frac{k+1}{k+2} \right) \bigg] \\ &\qquad \qquad (N \geqslant 1), \end{split} \tag{A4}$$

$$I_{16}(0,0) = 0,$$
 (A5)

where we discarded the finite contributions. We also remind the readers that our  $\varepsilon$  is  $\varepsilon/2$  in [10,11].

Although the expression for  $I_1$ – $I_{14}$  are given in [11], some of them contain misprints. Furthermore, when we cal-

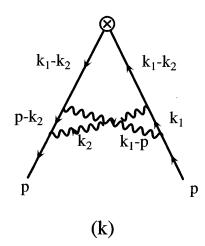


FIG. 10. Momentum labeling for the diagram Fig. 2(k).

culate the anomalous dimension for the tensor charge, we need to prepare some of  $I_1$ – $I_{14}$  separately as in the case of  $I_{15,16}$ . In the following, we present such integral formulas:

$$I_3(0,N) = \frac{\hat{p}^N}{2(16\pi^2)^2} \frac{1}{N+1} \left[ \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon} S_1(N+1) \right] \quad (N \ge 0),$$
(A6)

$$I_{6}(M,0) \equiv \int \frac{d^{D}k_{1}}{(2\pi)^{D}} \frac{d^{D}k_{2}}{(2\pi)^{D}} \frac{\hat{k}_{1}^{M}k_{2} \cdot p}{k_{1}^{4}(k_{1}-p)^{2}(k_{2}-p)^{2}(k_{1}-k_{2})^{2}}$$

$$= \frac{\hat{p}^{M}}{4(16\pi^{2})^{2}} \frac{1}{M+1} \left[ -\frac{1}{2\varepsilon^{2}} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \left\{ \frac{1}{2(M+1)} + \frac{1}{2M} - 1 \right\} \right] \quad (M \ge 1), \quad (A7)$$

$$I_8(M,N) \equiv \int \frac{d^D k_1}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{d^D k_2}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{\hat{k}_1^M \hat{k}_2^N k_1 \cdot p}{k_1^4 k_2^2 (k_2 - p)^2 (k_1 - k_2)^2},$$

$$I_{8}(M,N) = \frac{\hat{p}^{M+N}}{4(16\pi^{2})^{2}} \frac{1}{(M+1)(M+N)}$$

$$\times \left[ -\frac{1}{\varepsilon^{2}} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \left\{ S_{1}(M+N) - S_{1}(M) + \frac{1}{M+N+1} - \frac{1}{M} - \frac{2}{M+1} \right\} \right]$$

$$(M \ge 1, N \ge 0), \qquad (A8)$$

$$I_8(0,N) = \frac{-\hat{p}^N}{4(16\pi^2)^2} \frac{1}{N+1} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \quad (N \ge 0), \tag{A9}$$

$$I_{11}(M,N) \equiv \int \frac{d^D k_1}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{d^D k_2}{(2\pi)^D} \frac{\hat{k}_1^M \hat{k}_2^N}{k_2^2 (k_2 - p)^2 (k_1 - k_2)^2 (k_1 - k_2 + p)^2} = \frac{-\hat{p}^{M+N}}{(16\pi^2)^2} \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \frac{1}{M+N+2} \left[ \frac{1}{M+1} + \frac{(-1)^M M! N!}{(M+N+1)!} \right]. \tag{A10}$$

The summation in  $I_1$  and  $I_{13}$  should start from J=0 in Eqs. (A2) and (A14) of [11].

All the other integral formulas for  $I_1$ – $I_{14}$  which are necessary in our calculation but not presented explicitly in the above can be taken from the Appendix of [11].

# APPENDIX B: ANOMALOUS DIMENSION FROM EACH DIAGRAM

In this appendix, we present the contribution to  $\gamma_n^{(1)}$  for  $h_1$  from each Feynman diagram shown in Fig. 2, for which we use the notation  $\gamma_n^{(a)}$ ,  $\gamma_n^{(b)}$ , etc., with obvious definition. We also use the symbols  $I_1^{\rm DP}$  and  $I_1^{\rm SP}$ , etc., to designate, respectively, the coefficients of the  $1/(16\pi^2)^2\varepsilon^2$  (double pole) term and the  $1/(16\pi^2)^2\varepsilon$  (simple pole) term of the integrals  $I_1$  through  $I_{16}$  defined in the Appendix of [11] and Appendix A above.

As noted in the text,  $\gamma_n^{(a,b,c,p)} = 0$ , and  $\gamma_n^{(d,g,h,l,m,q,r)}$  are the same as those for  $f_1$  calculated in [10]. Other results are

as follows  $[C_F = (N_c^2 - 1)/2N_c, C_G = N_c, T_R = N_f/2 \text{ for the color group SU}(N_c)]$ :

$$\gamma_n^{(e)} = -\frac{16}{9} C_F T_R,$$
 (B1)

$$\gamma_n^{(f)} = \frac{32}{9} C_F C_G.$$
 (B2)

Following the calculational procedure described in Sec. III, we obtained very cumbersome results for  $\gamma_n^{(i,j,k,n,o)}$  in terms of the integral formulas  $I_1 - I_{16}$ . It turned out, however, that we can further simplify those results as was done in [12] for  $f_1$ . In the following, we present the simplified forms together with the expression with  $I_1 - I_{16}$ . Although we had to calculate the integral formulas for  $\gamma_{n=0}^{h(1)}$  separately from those for  $\gamma_{n\geqslant 1}^{h(1)}$ , the final results for Figs. 2(i), 2(j), and 2(k) can be written in a very simple form for all n, which supports the correctness of the calculation:

$$\begin{split} \gamma_{n}^{(i)} &= 16 \bigg( C_{F}^{2} - \frac{1}{2} C_{F} C_{G} \bigg) \hat{p}^{-n} [\hat{p}^{-2} \{ -I_{1}^{\text{SP}}(n,2) + 2I_{1}^{\text{SP}}(1,n+1) + I_{2}^{\text{SP}}(n,2) - 2I_{2}^{\text{SP}}(1,n+1) - 2I_{3}^{\text{SP}}(n+1,1) + 2I_{4}^{\text{SP}}(n+2,0) \\ &- 2I_{6}^{\text{SP}}(n+2,0) + 2I_{8}^{\text{SP}}(n,2) \} + \hat{p}^{-1} \{ I_{1}^{\text{SP}}(n,1) - I_{1}^{\text{SP}}(0,n+1) - I_{2}^{\text{SP}}(n,1) + 2I_{2}^{\text{SP}}(1,n) - I_{2}^{\text{SP}}(0,n+1) - 2I_{3}^{\text{SP}}(n,1) \\ &+ 2I_{3}^{\text{SP}}(n+1,0) \} + 2I_{1}^{\text{SP}}(0,n) - 2I_{15}^{\text{SP}}(n,0) + \hat{p}^{-1} \{ I_{1}^{\text{DP}}(n,1) - I_{1}^{\text{DP}}(0,n+1) - 2I_{1}^{\text{DP}}(1,n) - I_{2}^{\text{DP}}(n,1) - I_{2}^{\text{DP}}(n,1) - I_{2}^{\text{DP}}(0,n+1) \\ &+ 2I_{2}^{\text{DP}}(1,n) + 4I_{6}^{\text{DP}}(n+1,0) \} - I_{1}^{\text{DP}}(n,0) + I_{1}^{\text{DP}}(0,n) + I_{9}^{\text{DP}}(n,0) \Big] \\ &= -8 \bigg( C_{F}^{2} - \frac{1}{2} C_{F} C_{G} \bigg) \frac{1}{n+1} \bigg( S_{1}(n) + \frac{1}{n+1} \bigg), \end{split} \tag{B3}$$

$$\begin{split} \gamma_n^{(j)} &= 4C_F C_G \hat{p}^{-n} [2\hat{p}^{-2} \{I_1^{\text{SP}}(n,2) - 2I_1^{\text{SP}}(1,n+1) - I_2^{\text{SP}}(n,2) + 2I_2^{\text{SP}}(1,n+1) + 2I_3^{\text{SP}}(n+1,1) - 2I_4^{\text{SP}}(n+2,0) + 2I_6^{\text{SP}}(n+2,0) \\ &- 2I_8^{\text{SP}}(n,2) \} + \hat{p}^{-1} \{ -3I_1^{\text{SP}}(n,1) + 3I_1^{\text{SP}}(0,n+1) + 3I_2^{\text{SP}}(n,1) - 4I_2^{\text{SP}}(1,n) + I_2^{\text{SP}}(0,n+1) + 4I_3^{\text{SP}}(n,1) - 4I_3^{\text{SP}}(n,1) - 4I_3^{\text{SP}}(n+1,0) \} \\ &+ I_1^{\text{SP}}(n,0) - 3I_1^{\text{SP}}(0,n) + 4I_{15}^{\text{SP}}(n,0) + \hat{p}^{-1} \{ -I_1^{\text{DP}}(n,1) + I_1^{\text{DP}}(0,n+1) + 4I_1^{\text{DP}}(1,n) + I_2^{\text{DP}}(n,1) + 3I_2^{\text{DP}}(0,n+1) - 4I_2^{\text{DP}}(1,n) \\ &- 8I_6^{\text{DP}}(n+1,0) \} + I_1^{\text{DP}}(n,0) - 3I_1^{\text{DP}}(0,n) - I_0^{\text{DP}}(n,0) ] = 0. \end{split} \tag{B4}$$

The contribution from Fig. 2(i) turned out to be identically zero for all n.

$$\begin{split} \gamma_n^{(k)} &= 8 \left( C_F^2 - \frac{1}{2} C_F C_G \right) \hat{p}^{-n} (\hat{p}^{-2} [1 + (-1)^n] \{ I_3^{\text{SP}} (n+2,0) - 2 I_8^{\text{SP}} (n,2) - 2 I_{16}^{\text{SP}} (n,2) + 4 I_{16}^{\text{SP}} (n+1,1) - 2 I_{16}^{\text{SP}} (n+2,0) \} \\ &+ \hat{p}^{-1} \{ I_2^{\text{SP}} (n,1) + I_{12}^{\text{SP}} (n,1) - I_{12}^{\text{SP}} (n+1,0) - I_{13}^{\text{SP}} (n,1) + I_{13}^{\text{SP}} (n+1,0) - I_{14}^{\text{SP}} (n,1) + 4 [1 + (-1)^n] I_{16}^{\text{SP}} (n,1) \\ &- 4 [1 + (-1)^n] I_{16}^{\text{SP}} (n+1,0) \} + [1 + (-1)^n] I_3^{\text{SP}} (n,0) - (-1)^n I_{12}^{\text{SP}} (n,0) + 2 I_{13}^{\text{SP}} (n,0) + I_{14}^{\text{SP}} (n,0) - 2 [1 + (-1)^n] I_{16}^{\text{SP}} (n,0) \\ &+ \hat{p}^{-1} \{ I_2^{\text{DP}} (n,1) + I_{12}^{\text{DP}} (n,1) - I_{12}^{\text{DP}} (n+1,0) - I_{13}^{\text{DP}} (n,1) + I_{13}^{\text{DP}} (n+1,0) - I_{14}^{\text{DP}} (n,1) \} - I_{11}^{\text{DP}} (n,0) + I_{13}^{\text{DP}} (n,0) + I_{14}^{\text{DP}} (n,0) \} \\ &= - 8 \left( C_F^2 - \frac{1}{2} C_F C_G \right) [1 + (-1)^n] \left( \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right). \end{split} \tag{B5}$$

This result is zero for odd n. This can be easily proved by assigning the momenta as shown in Fig. 10. Then the denominator is symmetric under  $k_1 \leftrightarrow k_2$ . The numerator has a factor  $(\hat{k}_1 - \hat{k}_2)^n$ . It is convenient to consider the sum of Fig. 10 and its charge conjugation. Then one can easily show the contribution from Fig. 2(k) becomes 0 for odd n with the use of the lemma in Sec. III.

$$\begin{split} \gamma_{n}^{(n)} &= 8C_{F}C_{G}\hat{p}^{-n}\sum_{l=1}^{n}\left[\hat{p}^{-1}\left\{-I_{1}^{\text{SP}}(l-1,n-l+2) + I_{1}^{\text{SP}}(l,n-l+1) + I_{2}^{\text{SP}}(l-1,n-l+2) - I_{2}^{\text{SP}}(l,n-l+1)\right\} + I_{1}^{\text{SP}}(l,n-l)\right] \\ &= 4C_{F}C_{G}\left[S_{3}(n) - 2\hat{S}(n) - \frac{S_{1}^{2}(n)}{2(n+1)} - \frac{S_{2}(n)}{2(n+1)} + \frac{(2n-1)S_{1}(n)}{(n+1)^{2}} + \frac{2n}{(n+1)^{3}}\right]. \end{split} \tag{B6}$$
 
$$\gamma_{n}^{(o)} &= -16\left(C_{F}^{2} - \frac{1}{2}C_{F}C_{G}\right)\hat{p}^{-n}\sum_{l=1}^{n}\left[\hat{p}^{-1}\left\{-I_{2}^{\text{SP}}(n-l,l+1) + I_{2}^{\text{SP}}(n-l+1,l) + I_{12}^{\text{SP}}(n-l,l+1) - 2I_{12}^{\text{SP}}(n-l+1,l) + I_{12}^{\text{SP}}(n-l+1,l) + I_{12}^{\text{SP}}(n-l+1,l) + I_{13}^{\text{SP}}(n-l+1,l) - I_{13}^{\text{SP}}(n-l+1,l) + I_{14}^{\text{SP}}(n-l+1,l) + I_{14}^{$$

In the above expression, we introduced the function

$$\hat{S}(n) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{1}{j^2} S_1(j). \tag{B8}$$

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