

$\Delta^+ = -2\xi P^+$; $\tilde{F}^{\alpha\beta} \equiv \frac{1}{2}\epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}F_{\gamma\delta}$ is the dual gluon field strength. Throughout this paper we adopt the light-cone gauge $A^+ = 0$, so that the gauge link does not appear in the operators in definitions (2), (3).

The definition (2) differs from other definitions encountered in the literature (see [4]). For $0 \leq x \leq 1$:

$$\begin{aligned} H^g(x, \xi, t)|_{\text{here}} &= H^g(x, \xi, t)|_{[3]} + H^g(-x, \xi, t)|_{[3]} = x \left(H^g(x, \xi, t)|_{[17]} - H^g(-x, \xi, t)|_{[17]} \right) . \\ \tilde{H}^g(x, \xi, t)|_{\text{here}} &= \tilde{H}^g(x, \xi, t)|_{[3]} - \tilde{H}^g(-x, \xi, t)|_{[3]} = x \left(\tilde{H}^g(x, \xi, t)|_{[17]} + \tilde{H}^g(-x, \xi, t)|_{[17]} \right) . \end{aligned}$$

The same relations hold for E^g and \tilde{E}^g respectively.

As the gluon itself is its own antiparticle gluon GPDs $H^g(x, \xi, t)$, $E^g(x, \xi, t)$ defined in (2) are even functions of x :

$$H^g(x, \xi, t) = H^g(-x, \xi, t); \quad E^g(x, \xi, t) = E^g(-x, \xi, t). \quad (4)$$

Gluon GPDs $\tilde{H}^g(x, \xi, t)$, $\tilde{E}^g(x, \xi, t)$ defined in (3) are odd functions of x :

$$\tilde{H}^g(x, \xi, t) = -\tilde{H}^g(-x, \xi, t); \quad \tilde{E}^g(x, \xi, t) = -\tilde{E}^g(-x, \xi, t). \quad (5)$$

Let us stress that in what follows we consider the gluon GPDs in nucleon (2), (3) on the interval $0 \leq x \leq 1$.

In the forward limit gluon GPDs H^g and \tilde{H}^g reduce to usual forward gluon distributions in the nucleon $g(x)$ and $\Delta g(x)$, while GPD E^g and \tilde{E}^g are reduced to unknown gluon distributions, which we denote as $e^g(x)$ and $\Delta e^g(x)$:

$$\begin{aligned} H^g(x, 0, 0) &= xg(x); \quad E^g(x, 0, 0) = xe^g(x); \\ \tilde{H}^g(x, 0, 0) &= x\Delta g(x); \quad \tilde{E}^g(x, 0, 0) = x\Delta e^g(x). \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Note that the forward gluon distributions $g(x)$, $\Delta g(x)$ and $e^g(x)$, $\Delta e^g(x)$ are continued to the negative value of their argument according to:

$$\begin{aligned} g(x) &= -g(-x); \quad e^g(x) = -e^g(-x); \\ \Delta g(x) &= \Delta g(-x); \quad \Delta e^g(x) = \Delta e^g(-x). \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$