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**KEYWORDS:** B-Physics, NLO Computations, Heavy Quark Physics, QCD.

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## 1. Introduction

The measurements of inclusive semileptonic  $B$  meson decays, such as  $\bar{B} \rightarrow X_u l \bar{\nu}$  and  $\bar{B} \rightarrow X_c l \bar{\nu}$ , allow a precise determination of the CKM matrix elements  $|V_{ub}|$  and  $|V_{cb}|$ . The latter are relevant for the study of flavor and CP violation in the quark sector (for a recent review see [1]).

Total decay rates of the  $B$  meson are described by a local Operator Product Expansion (OPE) in inverse powers of the  $b$ -quark mass  $m_b$ . To leading order in  $1/m_b$ , the total  $B$  meson decay rate is equivalent to the decay rate of an on-shell  $b$  quark, which can be calculated in perturbation theory [2]. Many authors contributed to the calculation of the radiative corrections to the total decay rate of  $b \rightarrow ul\bar{\nu}$  and  $b \rightarrow cl\bar{\nu}$ , at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S)$  [3, 4] and  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^2)$  [5–12]. However, experimental collaborations need to impose cuts (also severe) on the kinematic variables. For instance, in charmless semileptonic decays, the need to suppress the charm background (which is  $\sim 50$  times larger than the signal) forces one to restrict the measurements to the “shape-function region”, in which the hadronic final state has large energy ( $E_X \sim m_b$ ), but only moderate invariant mass ( $\sim m_b \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ ). It is therefore of great interest to consider differential decay distributions, from which it is possible to derive predictions for partial decay rates with arbitrary cuts. In this context, a first important set of results was obtained in [13], where it is possible to find analytic expressions for the NLO triple-differential distribution of the semileptonic  $\bar{B} \rightarrow X_u l \bar{\nu}$  decay together with several double and single differential distributions for the same process. The resummation of threshold logarithms to next-to-leading approximation in the  $b \rightarrow u$

transition was considered in [14]. Higher order contributions to  $\bar{B} \rightarrow X_u l \bar{\nu}$  decays were considered in [15–18] and, very recently, the full NNLO QCD corrections to the partonic process  $b \rightarrow c l \bar{\nu}$  were obtained in [19]. Since the OPE applies only to sufficiently inclusive quantities, different frameworks were developed in order to account for effects due to cuts on the kinematic space [20–26]. In particular, in the shape-function region, Soft Collinear Effective Theory (SCET) provides an appropriate framework for the evaluation of the triple-differential distribution of the inclusive semileptonic decay  $\bar{B} \rightarrow X_u l \bar{\nu}$ . The NLO analysis of the latter process within the SCET approach is presented in [22, 23]. At NNLO, the situation is more complicated, but the jet and soft functions are known to  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^2)$  in perturbation theory [27, 28]. The only missing piece is the hard function, which can be obtained from the two-loop QCD corrections to the decay of a  $b$ -quark into a  $u$ -quark and an off-shell  $W$ -boson [29]. On the other hand, these virtual corrections can be considered as a first step towards an exact evaluation of the NNLO QCD corrections to the heavy-to-light quark transition. To complete the latter calculation, it is also necessary to take into account the real emission.

In this work we focus on the calculation of the two-loop QCD corrections to the decay process  $b \rightarrow u W^*$ . We provide an analytic expression for the three independent vertex form factors characterizing the coupling of the quark current with the charged weak boson. These form factors are evaluated by employing a set of techniques which are by now standard in multiloop calculations (see for instance [30]). We generate the relevant Feynman diagrams with QGRAF [31]. The form factors are extracted directly from the Feynman diagrams by means of projector operators. The whole calculation is carried out in Dimensional Regularization (DR); UV and IR (soft and collinear) divergencies appear as poles in  $(d-4)$ , where  $d$  is the space-time dimension. Since we work in DR, a prescription for handling the matrix  $\gamma_5$  in  $d$ -dimensions must be chosen. We employed a  $\gamma_5$  which anticommutes with  $\gamma_\mu$  in  $d$ -dimensions. This prescription is appropriate for the case under study, since it is known that the diagrams that we consider fulfill a canonical (non-anomalous) Ward identity. After applying the projectors, the contribution of individual Feynman diagrams to the form factors is given by a combination of dimensionally regularized scalar integrals. These integrals are related to a small set of master integrals (MIs) by means of the Laporta algorithm [32]. The MIs are evaluated by employing the Differential Equations method [33] and they are expressed as Laurent series in  $(d-4)$ . The coefficients of the series are given in terms of Harmonic Polylogarithms (HPLs) [34] of a single dimensionless variable  $y = q^2/m_b^2 = -M_l^2/m_b^2$ , where  $q^2$  is the squared momentum carried by the  $W$ -boson and  $M_l$  is the lepton pair invariant mass. Since  $y$  is negative in the physical region ( $-1 \leq y \leq 0$ ) we perform an analytic continuation  $y \rightarrow -x - i0^+$ , where now  $x = M_l^2/m_b^2$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ . The analytic continuation is indeed completely trivial, since all the HPLs appearing in the result are real for  $-1 \leq y \leq 0$ . The form factors found with the above procedure still contain UV and IR divergencies. It is possible to get rid of the UV divergencies by means of the renormalization procedure. We renormalize the form factors in a mixed scheme: the heavy- and light-quark wave functions and the heavy-quark mass are renormalized in the *on-shell* (OS) scheme, while the strong coupling constant is renormalized in  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  scheme. The results shown in this paper contain IR divergencies. In order to cancel them,

it is necessary to combine these results with the appropriate jet and soft functions [22]. Analogously, one can add the exact real emission and consider physical observables which are sufficiently inclusive with respect to the hard and soft radiation.

The paper is structured as follows. In section 2, we introduce the Feynman diagrams involved in the calculation and we discuss their structure in terms of form factors. In section 3, it is possible to find the details of the UV renormalization procedure. In sections 4 and 5, we collect the analytic expressions of the UV renormalized one- and two-loop QCD corrections to the form factors, respectively. The expressions of the bare form factors as well as the contributions of the individual diagrams to the form factors can be found in [35]. In section 6, we discuss the Ward identity relevant for the  $b \rightarrow u W^*$  decay and we prove that our form factors satisfy it. We also provide the analytic expression of the one- and two-loop QCD corrections to the scalar vertex in which the pseudo-Goldstone boson couples to the quarks, since it enters in the Ward identity fulfilled by the  $bWu$  vertex. Our conclusions can be found in section 7. Finally, in appendix A we collect the set of MIs employed in the calculation.

## 2. Feynman diagrams and form factors

We consider the decay process  $b \rightarrow u W^* \rightarrow u l \bar{\nu}_l$ . The bottom quark of mass  $m_b$  carries a momentum  $P$  and decays in an up-quark (considered as massless) which carries momentum  $p$  and a  $W$ -boson of momentum  $q = P - p$ . Subsequently, the  $W$ -boson decays in the pair  $l \bar{\nu}_l$  of squared invariant mass  $M_l^2 = -q^2$ . The mass-shell conditions are such that  $P^2 = -m_b^2$  and  $p^2 = 0$ . The Feynman diagrams contributing to the two-loop QCD corrections to the decay process  $b \rightarrow u W^*$  are shown in figure 1. The most general vertex correction in the Standard Model can be described in terms of six form factors  $F_i$  and  $G_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3$ ):

$$V^\mu(P, p) = F_1(q^2)\gamma^\mu + \frac{1}{2m_b}F_2(q^2)\sigma^{\mu\nu}q_\nu + \frac{i}{2m_b}F_3(q^2)q^\mu + G_1(q^2)\gamma^\mu\gamma_5 + \frac{i}{2m_b}G_2(q^2)\gamma_5q^\mu + \frac{i}{2m_b}G_3(q^2)\gamma_5\tilde{q}^\mu, \quad (2.1)$$

where  $\tilde{q}_\mu = P_\mu + p_\mu$ . The spinors  $\bar{u}(p)$  and  $u(P)$ , multiplying eq. (2.1) from left and right, respectively, are not written down explicitly. We define  $\sigma^{\mu\nu} = -i/2[\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu]$ . Since the  $u$ -quark is taken as massless, only three of the above form factors are independent. By replacing

$$\bar{u}(p) [\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu] u(P)q_\nu = 2im_b\bar{u}(p)\gamma^\mu u(P) - 2\tilde{q}^\mu\bar{u}(p)u(P), \quad (2.2)$$

in eq. (2.1), we find the following relations among the form factors in eq. (2.1):

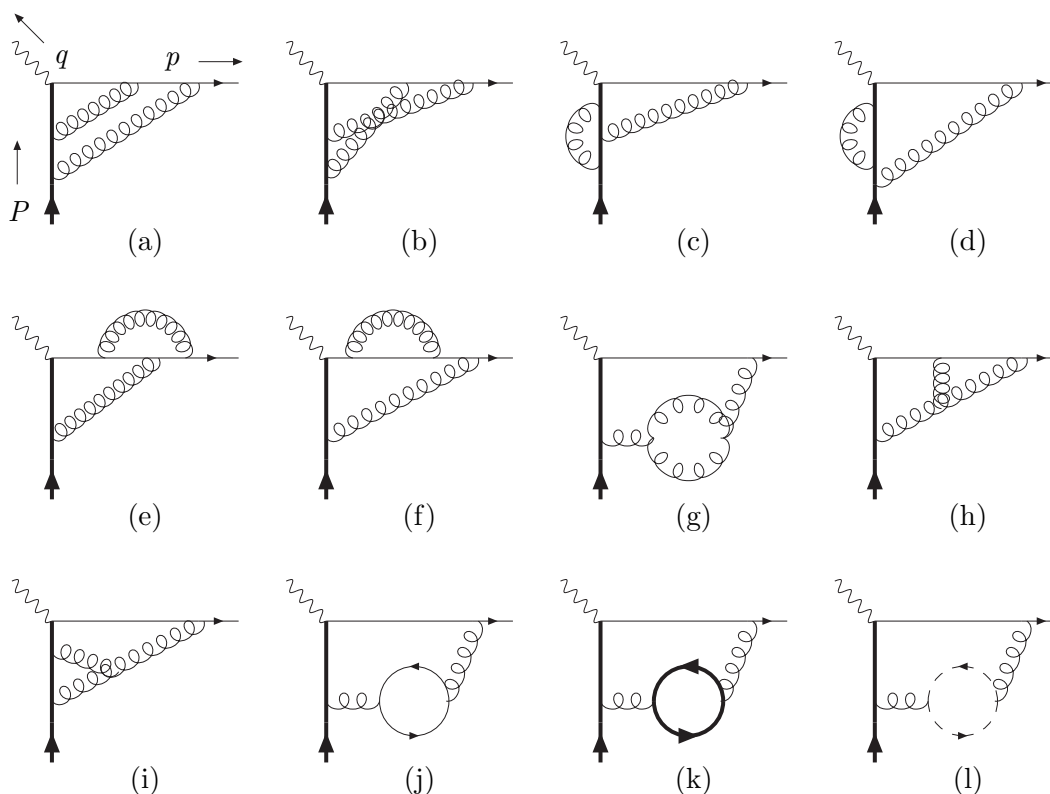
$$F_2 = -G_3, \quad F_3 = -G_2, \quad F_1 + \frac{1}{2}F_2 = G_1. \quad (2.3)$$

Consequently, using the definitions<sup>1</sup>  $P_L = (1 + \gamma_5)/2$  and  $P_R = (1 - \gamma_5)/2$ , we can rewrite the vertex structure as follows:

$$V^\mu(P, p) = 2G_1(q^2)\gamma^\mu P_L - \frac{i}{m_b}G_2(q^2)P_Rq^\mu - \frac{i}{m_b}G_3(q^2)P_R\tilde{q}^\mu. \quad (2.4)$$

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<sup>1</sup>We employ the notation and conventions of [44]. In particular, in our notation  $\gamma_5 = -\gamma_5^{\text{bd}}$ , where  $\gamma_5^{\text{bd}}$  is the matrix commonly employed in the Bjorken-Drell notation.



**Figure 1:** Feynman Diagrams for the Two-loop QCD corrections to the  $b \rightarrow u W^*$  decay process.

The form factors are expanded in powers of  $\alpha_s$ :

$$G_i = \frac{ig_w}{2\sqrt{2}} V_{ub} \left[ G_i^{(0l)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right) G_i^{(1l)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^2 G_i^{(2l)} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\alpha_s^3}{\pi^3}\right) \right]. \quad (2.5)$$

The purpose of the present work is to evaluate  $G_i^{(2l)}$  where  $i = 1, 2, 3$ .  $V_{ub}$  represents the CKM matrix element and  $g_w$  the weak interaction coupling constant. With the normalization chosen in eq. (2.5), one finds

$$G_1^{(0l)} = 1, \quad \text{and} \quad G_2^{(0l)} = G_3^{(0l)} = 0. \quad (2.6)$$

The contribution of the virtual two-loop corrections to the hadronic tensor of [13] can be obtained by means of the following translation rules:

$$W_1^{(2l, \text{vir.})} = \frac{2}{m_b^2} \left[ 2G_1^{(2l)} + \left(G_1^{(1l)}\right)^2 \right], \quad (2.7)$$

$$W_3^{(2l, \text{vir.})} = \frac{1-x}{4m_b} \left( G_2^{(1l)} + G_3^{(1l)} \right)^2, \quad (2.8)$$

$$W_4^{(2l,\text{vir.})} = \frac{1}{m_b^2} \left\{ G_3^{(2l)} + G_2^{(2l)} + G_1^{(1l)} \left( G_3^{(1l)} + G_2^{(1l)} \right) + \frac{1-x}{4} \left[ \left( G_3^{(1l)} \right)^2 - \left( G_2^{(1l)} \right)^2 \right] \right\}, \quad (2.9)$$

$$W_5^{(2l,\text{vir.})} = \frac{2}{m_b^3} \left[ G_3^{(2l)} - G_2^{(2l)} + G_1^{(1l)} \left( G_3^{(1l)} - G_2^{(1l)} \right) + \frac{1-x}{8} \left( G_3^{(1l)} - G_2^{(1l)} \right)^2 \right]. \quad (2.10)$$

Consequently, the *hard functions*  $H_{ij}$ , as defined in [22], can be extracted using the relation between eqs. (16) and (17) of the same article. Note that the hadronic form factor  $W_2$  does not receive contributions from two-loop virtual corrections.

We write our analytic results in terms of the dimensionless variable

$$x = -\frac{q^2}{m_b^2} = \frac{M_l^2}{m_b^2}, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1. \quad (2.11)$$

In writing our results, we employ the Harmonic Polylogarithms as defined in [34]; on top of the canonical weights, we introduce the weights  $-2$  and  $2$ , arising from the integrating factors  $1/(x+2)$  and  $1/(2-x)$ , respectively. Actually, only two HPLs containing the weight  $2$  appear in the final result; they are

$$\begin{aligned} H(2; x) &= -\ln \left( 1 - \frac{x}{2} \right) = -H(-1, 1-x) + \ln(2), \\ H(2, 1, 1; x) &= \int_0^x dt \frac{1}{2(2-t)} \ln^2(1-t) = \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \ln(1-x)^2 \ln(2-x) - \ln(1-x) \text{Li}_2(-1+x) + \text{Li}_3(-1+x) + \frac{3}{4} \zeta(3), \\ &= -H(-1, 0, 0, 1-x) + \frac{3}{4} \zeta(3). \end{aligned} \quad (2.12)$$

For convenience, all the results of the paper, including the renormalized and bare form factors, as well as the contributions of individual diagrams, are collected in the file `SemilepFF.txt` [35] included in the arXiv submission of the present work.

### 3. UV renormalization

The UV renormalization is performed by subtracting the one-loop sub-divergencies and the two-loop over-all divergencies. We renormalize the heavy- and light-quark wave functions and heavy-quark mass in the *on-shell* (*OS*) scheme, while the coupling constant  $\alpha_S$  is renormalized in the  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  scheme.

Neglecting for the time being mass renormalization, the bare and renormalized form factors satisfy the relation

$$G = Z_{2,u}^{\frac{1}{2}} Z_{2,b}^{\frac{1}{2}} G_{\text{bare}}(\alpha_s^{\text{bare}}), \quad (3.1)$$

where in the functions  $G$  we dropped the subscript  $i = 1, 2, 3$ .

The perturbative expansion of the various quantities in the equation above is

$$\begin{aligned} G &= \frac{ig_w}{2\sqrt{2}} V_{ub} \left( G^{(0l)} + a G^{(1l)} + a^2 G^{(2l)} + \mathcal{O}(a_0^3) \right), \\ G_{\text{bare}} &= \frac{ig_w}{2\sqrt{2}} V_{ub} \left( G^{(0l)} + a_0 G_{\text{bare}}^{(1l)} + a_0^2 G_{\text{bare}}^{(2l)} + \mathcal{O}(a_0^3) \right), \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
Z_{2,u} &= 1 + a_0 \delta Z_{2,u}^{(1l)} + a_0^2 \delta Z_{2,u}^{(2l)} + \mathcal{O}(a_0^3), \\
Z_{2,b} &= 1 + a_0 \delta Z_{2,b}^{(1l)} + a_0^2 \delta Z_{2,b}^{(2l)} + \mathcal{O}(a_0^3), \\
a_0 &= a \left( 1 + a \delta Z_\alpha^{(1l)} + a^2 \delta Z_\alpha^{(2l)} + \mathcal{O}(a^3) \right),
\end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

where we defined

$$a_0 \equiv \frac{\alpha_s^{\text{bare}}}{\pi}, \quad a \equiv \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}. \tag{3.3}$$

Therefore, the one-loop renormalized amplitude is given by

$$G^{(1l)} = G_{\text{bare}}^{(1l)} + \frac{1}{2} \delta Z_{2,b}^{(1l)} G^{(0l)}, \tag{3.4}$$

where we already took into account the fact that  $\delta Z_{2,u}^{(1l)} = 0$  in the on-shell scheme. The two-loop renormalized amplitude reads instead

$$\begin{aligned}
G^{(2l)} &= G_{\text{bare}}^{(2l)} + \left[ \frac{1}{2} \delta Z_{2,b}^{(2l)} + \frac{1}{2} \delta Z_{2,u}^{(2l)} + \frac{1}{2} \delta Z_\alpha^{(1l)} \delta Z_{2,b}^{(1l)} - \frac{1}{8} \left( \delta Z_{2,b}^{(1l)} \right)^2 \right] G^{(0l)} \\
&\quad + \left[ \frac{1}{2} \delta Z_{2,b}^{(1l)} + \delta Z_\alpha^{(1l)} \right] G_{\text{bare}}^{(1l)}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

To account for mass renormalization, it is sufficient to add the contribution of the counter term diagram in figure 2 to the r. h. s. of the equation above.

The renormalization constants are the following:

$$\delta Z_{\alpha, \overline{\text{MS}}}^{(1l)}(d) = -C(d) \frac{1}{d-4} \left( -\frac{11}{6} C_A + \frac{1}{3} T_R (N_l + N_h) \right), \tag{3.6}$$

$$\delta m_{\text{OS}}^{(1l)} \left( d, m, \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} \right) = m C(d) \left( \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} \right)^{(4-d)/2} \frac{C_F}{2} \frac{(d-1)}{(d-4)(d-3)}, \tag{3.7}$$

$$\delta Z_{2,b}^{(1l)} \left( d, \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} \right) = C(d) \left( \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} \right)^{(4-d)/2} \frac{C_F}{2} \frac{(d-1)}{(d-4)(d-3)}, \tag{3.8}$$

$$\delta Z_{2,u}^{(2l)} \left( d, \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} \right) = C^2(d) \left( \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} \right)^{4-d} \frac{C_F}{8} N_h \left( -\frac{1}{2(d-4)} - \frac{5}{24} \right), \tag{3.9}$$

$$\delta Z_{2,b}^{(2l)} \left( d, \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} \right) = C^2(d) \left( \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} \right)^{4-d} \frac{C_F}{2} \left[ C_F f_1 + C_A f_2 + \frac{1}{2} N_l f_3 + \frac{1}{2} N_h f_4 \right], \tag{3.10}$$

where  $\mu$  is the renormalization scale and the constants  $f_1, \dots, f_4$  are [36]

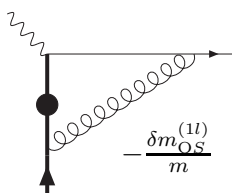
$$f_1 = \frac{9}{8(d-4)^2} - \frac{51}{32(d-4)} + \frac{433}{128} - \frac{3}{2} \zeta_3 - \pi^2 \ln(2) - \frac{13}{16} \pi^2 + \mathcal{O}(d-4), \tag{3.11}$$

$$f_2 = -\frac{11}{8(d-4)^2} + \frac{101}{32(d-4)} - \frac{803}{128} + \frac{3}{4} \zeta_3 - \frac{\pi^2}{2} \ln(2) + \frac{5}{16} \pi^2 + \mathcal{O}(d-4), \tag{3.12}$$

$$f_3 = \frac{1}{2(d-4)^2} - \frac{9}{8(d-4)} + \frac{59}{32} + \frac{\pi^2}{12} + \mathcal{O}(d-4), \tag{3.13}$$

$$f_4 = \frac{1}{(d-4)^2} - \frac{19}{24(d-4)} + \frac{1139}{288} - \frac{\pi^2}{3} + \mathcal{O}(d-4). \tag{3.14}$$

$$\tag{3.15}$$



**Figure 2:** Mass-renormalization counter-term.

The factor  $C(d)$  is

$$C(d) = (4\pi)^{(4-d)/2} \Gamma\left(3 - \frac{d}{2}\right). \tag{3.16}$$

After UV renormalization, the vertex form factors still contain poles in  $1/(d-4)$ , which are associated to soft and collinear singularities.

#### 4. One-loop form factors

In this section we collect the analytic expression of the one-loop renormalized form factors defined in eq. (2.5). In the formulas below,  $C_F = (N_c^2 - 1)/2N_c$  is the Casimir operator of the fundamental representation of  $SU(N_c)$ , where  $N_c$  is the number of colors (in the SM  $N_c = 3$ ).

The form factor  $G_1^{(1l)}$  is given by

$$G_1^{(1l)} = C(d) \left(\frac{\mu^2}{m^2}\right)^{\frac{4-d}{2}} C_F \sum_{i=-2}^1 G_1^{(1l,i)} (d-4)^i + \mathcal{O}((d-4)^2), \tag{4.1}$$

where the first four coefficients in the expansion in  $(d-4)$  are

$$\begin{aligned} G_1^{(1l,-2)} &= -1, \\ G_1^{(1l,-1)} &= \frac{5}{4} + H(1; x), \\ G_1^{(1l,0)} &= -\frac{3}{2} + \frac{1-3x}{4x} H(1; x) - \frac{1}{2} H(0, 1; x) - H(1, 1; x), \\ G_1^{(1l,1)} &= \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1-2x}{2x} H(1; x) - \frac{1-3x}{8x} H(0, 1; x) - \frac{1-3x}{4x} H(1, 1; x) + \frac{1}{4} H(0, 0, 1; x) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} H(0, 1, 1; x) + \frac{1}{2} H(1, 0, 1; x) + H(1, 1, 1; x). \end{aligned} \tag{4.2}$$

The form factor  $G_2^{(1l)}$  is

$$G_2^{(1l)} = C(d) \left(\frac{\mu^2}{m^2}\right)^{\frac{4-d}{2}} C_F \sum_{i=0}^1 G_2^{(1l,i)} (d-4)^i + \mathcal{O}((d-4)^2), \tag{4.3}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_2^{(1l,0)} &= \frac{1}{x} - \frac{2-3x}{2x^2} H(1;x), \\
 G_2^{(1l,1)} &= -\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1-3x}{2x^2} H(1;x) + \frac{2-3x}{4x^2} H(0,1;x) + \frac{2-3x}{2x^2} H(1,1;x).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{4.4}$$

Finally, the form factor  $G_3^{(1l)}$  is

$$G_3^{(1l)} = C(d) \left( \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} \right)^{\frac{4-d}{2}} C_F \sum_{i=0}^1 G_2^{(1l,i)} (d-4)^i + \mathcal{O}((d-4)^2), \tag{4.5}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_3^{(1l,0)} &= -\frac{1}{2x} H(1;x), \\
 G_3^{(1l,1)} &= \frac{1}{x} H(1;x) + \frac{1}{2x} H(1,1;x) + \frac{1}{4x} H(0,1;x).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{4.6}$$

Note that the IR poles of the form factor  $G_1^{(1l)}$  exponentiate. This means that from the  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^2)$  expansion of the form factor

$$\mathcal{F} = \exp \{ G_1^{(1l)} \}, \tag{4.7}$$

we can predict exactly the  $1/(d-4)^4$  and  $1/(d-4)^3$  poles of the  $C_F^2$  part of the two-loop form factor  $G_1^{(2l)}$  (eqs. (5.3), (5.4) below). Moreover, exponentiating also the finite part of  $G_1^{(1l)}$ , the double pole of eq. (5.5) is exactly recovered.

## 5. Two-loop form factors

In this section we collect the analytic expression of the two-loop renormalized form factors defined in eq. (2.5). In the expressions below,  $C_A$  is the Casimir operator of the adjoint representation of  $SU(N_c)$ ,  $C_A = N_c$ ,  $T_R$  is the normalization factor of the color matrices,  $T_R = 1/2$ ,  $N_l$  is the number of massless quarks in the theory, and  $N_h$  is the number of quarks of mass  $m_b$ . Therefore, for the decay  $b \rightarrow u W^*$  in the SM,  $N_l = 4$ , and  $N_h = 1$ . In the finite part of the form factors given below, the constant  $\mathcal{K}$  is a rational number. Its numerical value is  $\mathcal{K} = 3.32812 \pm 0.00002$ , and its analytical value is likely to be  $\mathcal{K} = 213/64$ . We observe that the following formulas involve HPLs of argument  $x$  and of maximal weight 4. If desired, the HPLs appearing in the equations below can all be rewritten in terms of product of Nielsen Polylogarithms of more complicated argument. Because of the chosen renormalization scheme, our results depend on the renormalization scale  $\mu$ . In the formulas below, we employ the following notation:

$$\ln \left( \frac{\mu^2}{m_b^2} \right) \equiv L_\mu. \tag{5.1}$$

The form factor  $G_1^{(2l)}$  can be written as

$$G_1^{(2l)} = C^2(d) \left( \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} \right)^{4-d} C_F \sum_{i=-4}^0 G_1^{(2l,i)} (d-4)^i + \mathcal{O}(d-4), \tag{5.2}$$

where the coefficient of the expansion in  $(d - 4)$  (up to the finite term) are

$$G_1^{(2l,-4)} = C_F \frac{1}{2}, \tag{5.3}$$

$$G_1^{(2l,-3)} = C_F \left[ -\frac{5}{4} - H(1; x) \right] - C_A \frac{11}{8} + T_R N_l \frac{1}{2}, \tag{5.4}$$

$$G_1^{(2l,-2)} = C_F \left[ \frac{73}{32} - \frac{1-8x}{4x} H(1; x) + \frac{1}{2} H(0, 1; x) + 2H(1, 1; x) \right] + C_A \left[ \frac{49-66L_\mu+9\zeta(2)}{72} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{11}{12} H(1; x) \right] + T_R N_l \left[ \frac{-5+6L_\mu}{18} - \frac{1}{3} H(1; x) \right] + T_R N_h \left[ \frac{1}{3} L_\mu \right], \tag{5.5}$$

$$G_1^{(2l,-1)} = C_F \left[ -\frac{3(71+8\zeta(2)-16\zeta(3))}{64} + \frac{13-55x}{16x} H(1; x) + \frac{1-8x}{8x} H(0, 1; x) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{3-14x}{4x} H(1, 1; x) - \frac{1}{4} H(0, 0, 1; x) - \frac{3}{2} H(0, 1, 1; x) - H(1, 0, 1; x) - 4H(1, 1, 1; x) \right] \\ + C_A \left[ \frac{1549+1980L_\mu-396L_\mu^2+972\zeta(2)-1188\zeta(3)}{1728} + \frac{67+66L_\mu-18\zeta(2)}{72} H(1; x) \right] \\ + T_R N_l \left[ \frac{-125-180L_\mu+36L_\mu^2-108\zeta(2)}{432} - \frac{5+6L_\mu}{18} H(1; x) \right] \\ + T_R N_h \left[ \frac{-5L_\mu+L_\mu^2-\zeta(2)}{12} - \frac{L_\mu}{3} H(1; x) \right],$$

$$G_1^{(2l,0)} = C_F \left[ \frac{1}{1280(x-1)^3} (6635(x-1)^3 + (80(x-1)(-59-62x+3x^2) - 480 \ln(2)(10 \right. \\ - 22x+5x^2+4x^3))\zeta(2) - 16(261-64\mathcal{K}+41x+192\mathcal{K}x+405x^2-192\mathcal{K}x^2 \\ - 99x^3+64\mathcal{K}x^3)\zeta^2(2) + 40(52-72x+15x^2+14x^3)\zeta(3) + \frac{1}{4(x-1)^2x} (\zeta(2) \\ - 3x\zeta(2) + x^2\zeta(2) + 5x^3\zeta(2))H(-1; x) + \frac{1}{32(x-1)^2x} (-49+251x-355x^2 \\ + 153x^3+12\zeta(2)-160x\zeta(2)-148x^2\zeta(2)+24x^3\zeta(2)-16x\zeta(3)+32x^2\zeta(3) \\ - 16x^3\zeta(3))H(1; x) + \frac{3(-2\zeta(2)-2x\zeta(2)+x^2\zeta(2))}{8(x-1)^3} H(2; x) \\ \left. + \frac{\zeta(2)-5x\zeta(2)+3x^2\zeta(2)-x^3\zeta(2)}{2(x-1)^3} H(0, -1; x) + \frac{1}{32(x-1)^3x} (15-106x \right. \\ + 248x^2-138x^3-19x^4+72x\zeta(2)+152x^2\zeta(2)+48x^3\zeta(2))H(0, 1; x) \\ + \frac{25-134x+59x^2}{16(x-1)x} H(1, 1; x) + \frac{1-3x+x^2+5x^3}{2(x-1)^2x} H(-1, 0, 1; x) \\ - \frac{1+27x-9x^2-25x^3+12x^4}{16(x-1)^3x} H(0, 0, 1; x) + \frac{5-59x+83x^2-56x^3+30x^4}{8(x-1)^3x} H(0, 1, 1; x) \\ - \frac{1-x+21x^2-7x^3}{4(x-1)^2x} H(1, 0, 1; x) - \frac{7-26x}{4x} H(1, 1, 1; x) - \frac{2+2x-x^2}{8(x-1)^3} H(2, 1, 1; x) \\ \left. + \frac{1-5x+3x^2-x^3}{(x-1)^3} H(0, -1, 0, 1; x) - \frac{3+11x-5x^2+3x^3}{8(x-1)^3} H(0, 0, 0, 1; x) \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{9+9x+13x^2-3x^3}{4(x-1)^3}H(0,0,1,1;x)+\frac{18x-7x^2+3x^3}{4(x-1)^3}H(0,1,0,1;x)+3H(1,0,1,1;x) \\
& +\frac{7}{2}H(0,1,1,1;x)-\frac{1}{2}H(1,0,0,1;x)+2H(1,1,0,1;x)+8H(1,1,1,1;x) \Big] \\
& +C_A \left[ \frac{29700L_\mu^2-447185-142560L_\mu-3960L_\mu^3}{103680} + \frac{1}{103680(x-1)^3}((11880L_\mu(x-1))^3 \right. \\
& -180(x-1)(517+982x+913x^2)+19440\ln(2)(10-22x+5x^2+4x^3))\zeta(2) \\
& +648(71-64\mathcal{K}-631x+192\mathcal{K}x+159x^2-192\mathcal{K}x^2-125x^3+64\mathcal{K}x^3)\zeta^2(2) \\
& +180(-698+1338x-825x^2+104x^3)\zeta(3) - \frac{(1-3x+x^2+5x^3)\zeta(2)}{8(x-1)^2x}H(-1;x) \\
& +\frac{1}{864(x-1)^2x}(807+198L_\mu-4159x-990L_\mu x+198L_\mu^2x+5897x^2+1386L_\mu x^2 \\
& -396L_\mu^2x^2-2545x^3-594L_\mu x^3+198L_\mu^2x^3-(216+1368x+342x^2+1206x^3)\zeta(2) \\
& +(756x-1512x^2+756x^3)\zeta(3))H(1;x)+\frac{3(2+2x-x^2)\zeta(2)}{16(x-1)^3}H(2;x) \\
& -\frac{(1-5x+3x^2-x^3)\zeta(2)}{4(x-1)^3}H(0,-1;x)+\frac{1}{144(x-1)^3x}(-33+260x+66L_\mu x \\
& -384x^2-198L_\mu x^2+273x^3+198L_\mu x^3-116x^4-66L_\mu x^4-18x\zeta(2)+468x^2\zeta(2) \\
& +72x^4\zeta(2))H(0,1;x)+\frac{1}{144(x-1)x}(-39+235x+132L_\mu x-349x^2-132L_\mu x^2 \\
& -72x\zeta(2)+72x^2\zeta(2))H(1,1;x)-\frac{1-3x+x^2+5x^3}{4(x-1)^2x}H(-1,0,1;x) \\
& -\frac{8+36x-33x^2-20x^3}{48(x-1)^3}H(0,0,1;x)+\frac{2-168x+219x^2-62x^3}{48(x-1)^3}H(0,1,1;x) \\
& -\frac{47-49x+44x^2}{48(x-1)^2}H(1,0,1;x)-\frac{11}{6}H(1,1,1;x)+\frac{2+2x-x^2}{16(x-1)^3}H(2,1,1;x) \\
& -\frac{1-5x+3x^2-x^3}{2(x-1)^3}H(0,-1,0,1;x)-\frac{1+10x+4x^2}{8(x-1)^3}H(0,0,0,1;x) \\
& -\frac{1+2x+4x^2}{4(x-1)^3}H(0,0,1,1;x)+\frac{1+2x+4x^2}{8(x-1)^3}H(0,1,0,1;x)+\frac{1}{2}H(1,0,0,1;x) \Big] \\
& +T_R N_l \left[ \frac{1}{5184}(6629+2592L_\mu-540L_\mu^2+72L_\mu^3+3420\zeta(2)-216L_\mu\zeta(2)+720\zeta(3)) \right. \\
& -\frac{57+18L_\mu-209x-54L_\mu x+18L_\mu^2x-90x\zeta(2)}{216x}H(1;x)-\frac{3-19x-6L_\mu x}{36x}H(0,1;x) \\
& -\frac{3-19x-6L_\mu x}{18x}H(1,1;x)+\frac{1}{6}H(0,0,1;x)+\frac{1}{3}H(0,1,1;x)+\frac{1}{3}H(1,0,1;x) \\
& \left. +\frac{2}{3}H(1,1,1;x) \right] +T_R N_h \left[ \frac{1}{2592(x-1)^3}(-1111-1296L_\mu+270L_\mu^2-36L_\mu^3 \right. \\
& +7869x+3888L_\mu x-810L_\mu^2x+108L_\mu^3x-14709x^2-3888L_\mu x^2+810L_\mu^2x^2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -108L_\mu^3x^2 + 7951x^3 + 1296L_\mu x^3 - 270L_\mu^2x^3 + 36L_\mu^3x^3 - 414\zeta(2) + 108L_\mu\zeta(2) \\
& -5670x\zeta(2) - 324L_\mu x\zeta(2) + 9126x^2\zeta(2) + 324L_\mu x^2\zeta(2) - 738x^3\zeta(2) \\
& -108L_\mu x^3\zeta(2) + 504\zeta(3) + 1080x\zeta(3) + 1512x^2\zeta(3) - 504x^3\zeta(3) \\
& + \frac{1}{216(x-1)^2x}(-57 - 18L_\mu - 89x + 90L_\mu x - 18L_\mu^2x + 73x^2 \\
& -126L_\mu x^2 + 36L_\mu^2x^2 + 265x^3 + 54L_\mu x^3 - 18L_\mu^2x^3 + 18x\zeta(2) - 36x^2\zeta(2) \\
& + 18x^3\zeta(2))H(1; x) + \frac{3+8x-24x^3-19x^4-(6x-18x^2+18x^3-6x^4)L_\mu}{36(x-1)^3x}H(0, 1; x) \\
& + \left. \frac{1}{3}L_\mu H(1, 1; x) - \frac{1+3x+3x^2-x^3}{6(x-1)^3}H(0, 0, 1; x) \right]. \tag{5.6}
\end{aligned}$$

The form factor  $G_2^{(2l)}$  is

$$G_2^{(2l)} = C^2(d) \left( \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} \right)^{4-d} C_F \sum_{i=-2}^0 G_2^{(2l,i)} (d-4)^i + \mathcal{O}(d-4), \tag{5.7}$$

where

$$G_2^{(2l,-2)} = C_F \left[ \frac{1}{x} + \frac{2-3x}{2x^2}H(1; x) \right], \tag{5.8}$$

$$G_2^{(2l,-1)} = C_F \left[ \frac{9}{4x} - \frac{7(2-5x)}{8x^2}H(1; x) - \frac{(2-3x)}{4x^2}H(0, 1; x) - \frac{3(2-3x)}{2x^2}H(1, 1; x) \right], \tag{5.9}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
G_2^{(2l,0)} = C_F & \left[ \frac{1}{80(x-1)^4x}(-310(x-1)^4 + (60 \ln(2)x(-38+58x-40x^2+11x^3) \right. \\
& -20(x-1)(10-120x-79x^2+12x^3))\zeta(2) + 16x(125+103x)\zeta^2(2) \\
& -5x(-30+110x-80x^2+27x^3)\zeta(3) + \frac{(2-9x-5x^2+3x^3-3x^4)\zeta(2)}{2(x-1)^3x^2}H(-1; x) \\
& + \frac{1}{16(x-1)^3x^2}(-32+195x-397x^2+337x^3-103x^4+24\zeta(2)-12x\zeta(2) \\
& + 844x^2\zeta(2) - 76x^3\zeta(2) + 36x^4\zeta(2))H(1; x) + \frac{3(30-34x+16x^2-3x^3)\zeta(2)}{4(x-1)^4}H(2; x) \\
& + \frac{2(2+x)\zeta(2)}{(x-1)^4}H(0, -1; x) + \frac{1}{16(x-1)^4x^2}(26-69x-68x^2-58x^3+166x^4 \\
& + 3x^5 - (448x^2+368x^3)\zeta(2))H(0, 1; x) + \frac{8-18x+37x^2+172x^3-49x^4}{8(x-1)^2x^3}H(1, 1; x) \\
& + \frac{2-9x-5x^2+3x^3-3x^4}{(x-1)^3x^2}H(-1, 0, 1; x) + \frac{30-34x+16x^2-3x^3}{4(x-1)^4}H(2, 1, 1; x) \\
& + \frac{2-27x+4x^2-48x^3+66x^4-15x^5}{8(x-1)^4x^2}H(0, 0, 1; x) + \frac{7(2-3x)}{2x^2}H(1, 1, 1; x) \\
& \left. + \frac{10-39x+234x^2-276x^3+86x^4-24x^5}{4(x-1)^4x^2}H(0, 1, 1; x) + \frac{4(2+x)}{(x-1)^4}H(0, -1, 0, 1; x) \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{2-13x-22x^2-12x^3+3x^4}{2(x-1)^3x^2} H(1, 0, 1; x) + \frac{(4+5x)}{(x-1)^4} H(0, 0, 0, 1; x) \\
 & + \left. \frac{6(4+3x)}{(x-1)^4} H(0, 0, 1, 1; x) - \frac{3(4+3x)}{(x-1)^4} H(0, 1, 0, 1; x) \right] \\
 & + C_A \left[ \frac{1}{1440(x-1)^4x} (1320L_\mu(x-1)^4 + 20(x-1)^3(-269+242x) \right. \\
 & + (540(x-1)(4+50x+5x^2+8x^3) + 540 \ln(2)x(38-58x+40x^2-11x^3))\zeta(2) \\
 & + 36x(364+317x+108x^2)\zeta^2(2) + 45x(-30+110x-80x^2+27x^3)\zeta(3) \\
 & \left. - \frac{(2-9x-5x^2+3x^3-3x^4)\zeta(2)}{4(x-1)^3x^2} H(-1; x) + \frac{1}{144(x-1)^3x^2} (406+132L_\mu-2067x \right. \\
 & - 594L_\mu x + 3603x^2 + 990L_\mu x^2 - 2629x^3 - 726L_\mu x^3 + 687x^4 + 198L_\mu x^4 - (144-864x \\
 & - 1224x^2 - 1242x^3 + 54x^4)\zeta(2)) H(1; x) - \frac{3(30-34x+16x^2-3x^3)\zeta(2)}{8(x-1)^4} H(2; x) \\
 & - \frac{(2+x)\zeta(2)}{(x-1)^4} H(0, -1; x) + \frac{1}{24(x-1)^4x^2} (-22+145x-300x^2+109x^3+59x^4 \\
 & + 9x^5 - (240x^2+210x^3+72x^4)\zeta(2)) H(0, 1; x) - \frac{26-151x+14x^2-42x^3}{24(x-1)^2x^2} H(1, 1; x) \\
 & - \frac{2-9x-5x^2+3x^3-3x^4}{2(x-1)^3x^2} H(-1, 0, 1; x) + \frac{4+76x-96x^2+16x^3-9x^4}{8(x-1)^4x} H(0, 0, 1; x) \\
 & + \frac{8+58x-24x^2-36x^3+3x^4}{8(x-1)^4x} H(0, 1, 1; x) + \frac{4+24x+11x^2+3x^3}{8(x-1)^3x} H(1, 0, 1; x) \\
 & - \frac{30-34x+16x^2-3x^3}{8(x-1)^4} H(2, 1, 1; x) + \frac{24+17x+4x^2}{4(x-1)^4} H(0, 0, 0, 1; x) \\
 & \left. - \frac{2(2+x)}{(x-1)^4} H(0, -1, 0, 1; x) + \frac{8+9x+4x^2}{4(x-1)^4} (2H(0, 0, 1, 1; x) - H(0, 1, 0, 1; x)) \right] \\
 & + T_R N_l \left[ \frac{19+6L_\mu}{18x} + \frac{26-51x+6(2-3x)L_\mu}{36x^2} H(1; x) + \frac{2-3x}{6x^2} (H(0, 1; x) + 2H(1, 1; x)) \right] \\
 & + T_R N_h \left[ \frac{1}{18(x-1)^4x} (-19-6L_\mu-164x+24L_\mu x+393x^2-36L_\mu x^2-218x^3 \right. \\
 & + 24L_\mu x^3+8x^4-6L_\mu x^4+(252x-300x^2+84x^3-36x^4)\zeta(2)-(72x+36x^2)\zeta(3)) \\
 & + \frac{26-223x-124x^2-51x^3+(12-42x+48x^2-18x^3)L_\mu}{36(x-1)^2x^2} H(1; x) \\
 & \left. - \frac{2-9x-21x^2-13x^3-3x^4}{6(x-1)^3x^2} H(0, 1; x) + \frac{2(2+x)}{(x-1)^4} H(0, 0, 1; x) \right]. \tag{5.10}
 \end{aligned}$$

The form factor  $G_3^{(2l)}$  can be written as

$$G_3^{(2l)} = C^2(d) \left( \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} \right)^{4-d} C_F \sum_{i=2}^0 G_3^{(2l,i)} (d-4)^i + \mathcal{O}(d-4), \tag{5.11}$$

with

$$G_3^{(2l,-2)} = C_F \left[ \frac{1}{2x} H(1; x) \right], \tag{5.12}$$

$$G_3^{(2l,-1)} = C_F \left[ -\frac{13}{8x} H(1; x) - \frac{1}{4x} (H(0, 1; x) + 6H(1, 1; x)) \right], \tag{5.13}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_3^{(2l,0)} = C_F & \left[ \frac{1}{80(x-1)^4} ((-60(x-1)x(57+2x) - 60 \ln(2)(-22+30x-26x^2+9x^3))\zeta(2) \right. \\
 & - 48(9+49x+18x^2)\zeta^2(2) - 5(22-90x+82x^2-41x^3)\zeta(3) - \frac{1}{16(x-1)^3x} (51-157x \\
 & + 161x^2 - 55x^3 - (12-364x-436x^2-28x^3)\zeta(2))H(1; x) \\
 & + \frac{(1+5x+5x^2+x^3)\zeta(2)}{2(x-1)^3x} H(-1; x) + \frac{3(-14+6x-2x^2+x^3)\zeta(2)}{4(x-1)^4} H(2; x) \\
 & - \frac{6x\zeta(2)}{(x-1)^4} H(0, -1; x) + \frac{1}{16(x-1)^4x} (11-72x+366x^2-260x^3-45x^4+96x\zeta(2) \\
 & + 528x^2\zeta(2) + 192x^3\zeta(2))H(0, 1; x) - \frac{1+36x+8x^2-24x^3-3x^4}{8(x-1)^4x} H(0, 0, 1; x) \\
 & + \frac{25-174x-x^2}{8(x-1)^2x} H(1, 1; x) + \frac{1+5x+5x^2+x^3}{(x-1)^3x} H(-1, 0, 1; x) + \frac{7}{(2x)} H(1, 1, 1; x) \\
 & + \frac{5-78x+4x^2+70x^3+8x^4}{4(x-1)^4x} H(0, 1, 1; x) - \frac{1+12x+32x^2-3x^3}{2(x-1)^3x} H(1, 0, 1; x) \\
 & - \frac{14-6x+2x^2-x^3}{4(x-1)^4} H(2, 1, 1; x) - \frac{2(2+15x+4x^2)}{(x-1)^4} H(0, 0, 1, 1; x) \\
 & \left. - \frac{2+3x+4x^2}{(x-1)^4} H(0, 0, 0, 1; x) - \frac{12x}{(x-1)^4} H(0, -1, 0, 1; x) + \frac{2+15x+4x^2}{(x-1)^4} H(0, 1, 0, 1; x) \right] \\
 & + C_A \left[ \frac{1}{160(x-1)^4} (60(x-1)^3 + (-20(x-1)(56+105x+40x^2) + 60 \ln(2)(-22 \right. \\
 & + 30x - 26x^2 + 9x^3))\zeta(2) - 12(18+137x+108x^2)\zeta^2(2) - 5(-22+90x-82x^2 \\
 & + 41x^3)\zeta(3) - \frac{(1+5x+5x^2+x^3)\zeta(2)}{4(x-1)^3x} H(-1; x) + \frac{1}{144(x-1)^3x} (335+66L_\mu \\
 & - 843x - 198L_\mu x + 681x^2 + 198L_\mu x^2 - 173x^3 - 66L_\mu x^3 - (72+468x+2466x^2 \\
 & + 126x^3)\zeta(2))H(1; x) - \frac{3(-14\zeta(2)+6x\zeta(2)-2x^2\zeta(2)+x^3\zeta(2))}{8(x-1)^4} H(2; x) \\
 & + \frac{3x\zeta(2)}{(x-1)^4} H(0, -1; x) - \frac{1}{24(x-1)^4x} (11+22x-171x^2+79x^3+59x^4 - (36x \\
 & + 270x^2+216x^3)\zeta(2))H(0, 1; x) - \frac{20+40x-66x^2-3x^3}{8(x-1)^4} H(0, 0, 1; x) \\
 & - \frac{1+5x+5x^2+x^3}{2(x-1)^3x} H(-1, 0, 1; x) - \frac{13+82x+58x^2}{24(x-1)^2x} H(1, 1; x) \\
 & \left. - \frac{22+56x-62x^2-7x^3}{8(x-1)^4} H(0, 1, 1; x) - \frac{10+23x+9x^2}{8(x-1)^3} H(1, 0, 1; x) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

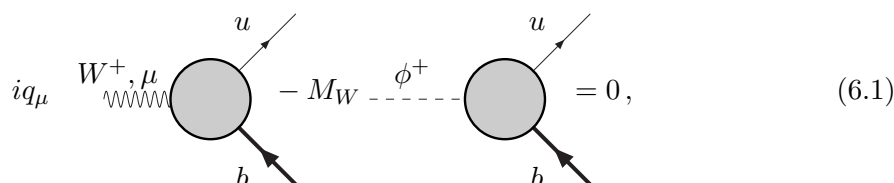


$$\begin{aligned}
& + \frac{14-6x+2x^2-x^3}{8(x-1)^4} H(2, 1, 1; x) - \frac{2+31x+12x^2}{4(x-1)^4} H(0, 0, 0, 1; x) \\
& + \frac{6x}{(x-1)^4} H(0, -1, 0, 1; x) - \frac{2+7x+12x^2}{4(x-1)^4} (2H(0, 0, 1, 1; x) - H(0, 1, 0, 1; x)) \Big] \\
& + T_R N_l \left[ \frac{(25+6L_\mu)}{36x} H(1; x) + \frac{1}{6x} (H(0, 1; x) + 2H(1, 1; x)) \right] \\
& + T_R N_h \left[ \frac{(54-91x+20x^2+17x^3 - (36+12x-52x^2+4x^3)\zeta(2) + 36x\zeta(3))}{6(x-1)^4} \right. \\
& + \frac{25+322x+25x^2+(6-12x+6x^2)L_\mu}{36(x-1)^2x} H(1; x) - \frac{1+21x+21x^2+x^3}{6(x-1)^3x} H(0, 1; x) \\
& \left. - \frac{6x}{(x-1)^4} H(0, 0, 1; x) \right]. \tag{5.14}
\end{aligned}$$

We checked our results for the form factors  $G_i^{(2l)}(x)$   $i = 1, 2, 3$  against the calculation of Martin Beneke, Tobias Huber, and Xin-Qing Li [37] and we found complete analytical agreement.

## 6. Ward identities

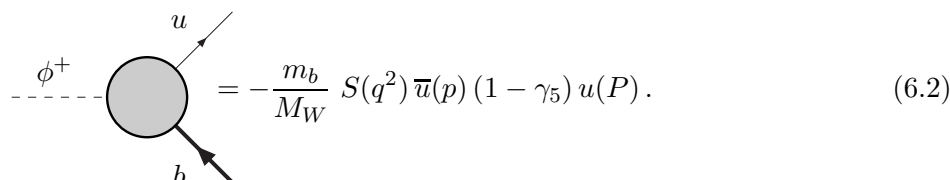
We explicitly checked that the UV renormalized form factors satisfy the on-shell Ward identity<sup>2</sup>



$$i q_\mu W^{+, \mu} \text{ (diagram)} - M_W \phi^+ \text{ (diagram)} = 0, \tag{6.1}$$

where  $\phi$  is the charged pseudo-Goldstone boson and the gray circles represents the sum of all two-loop one-particle-irreducible QCD corrections to the vertices. The Lorentz index associated to the  $W$ -boson is saturated by the boson momentum  $q^\mu$ . In order to satisfy the relation in eq. (6.1) it is necessary to renormalize also the factor  $m_b$  appearing in the tree-level  $\phi^+ ub$  coupling. The relevant NNLO mass counter term can be found in [36].

The two-loop corrections to the scalar coupling of the pseudo-Goldstone boson to quark can be absorbed in a single form-factor  $S$ , defined as follows



$$\phi^+ \text{ (diagram)} = -\frac{m_b}{M_W} S(q^2) \bar{u}(p) (1 - \gamma_5) u(P). \tag{6.2}$$

<sup>2</sup>It can be proved that the Ward identity is fulfilled already at the level of master integrals, irrespectively on the analytic expression of the MIs themselves.

The UV renormalized form factor has the following perturbative expansion in  $\alpha_s$ :

$$S = \frac{ig_w}{2\sqrt{2}}V_{ub} \left[ S^{(0l)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right) S^{(1l)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^2 S^{(2l)} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\alpha_s^3}{\pi^3}\right) \right], \quad (6.3)$$

with  $S^{(0l)} = 1$ .

The one-loop form factor  $S^{(1l)}$  is given by

$$S^{(1l)} = C(d) \left(\frac{\mu^2}{m^2}\right)^{(4-d)/2} C_F \sum_{i=-2}^1 S^{(1l,i)} (d-4)^i + \mathcal{O}((d-4)^2). \quad (6.4)$$

After UV renormalization (including the renormalization of the Yukawa  $\phi^+ub$  coupling), the coefficients of the expansion in  $(d-4)$  are

$$S^{(1l,-2)} = -1, \quad (6.5)$$

$$S^{(1l,-1)} = \frac{5}{4} + H(1;x), \quad (6.6)$$

$$S^{(1l,0)} = -1 - \frac{1}{2x}H(1;x) - H(1,1;x) - \frac{1}{2}H(0,1;x), \quad (6.7)$$

$$S^{(1l,1)} = 1 + \frac{x+1}{4x}H(1;x) + \frac{1}{2x}H(1,1;x) + \frac{1}{4x}H(0,1;x) + H(1,1,1;x) \\ + \frac{1}{2}H(1,0,1;x) + \frac{1}{2}H(0,1,1;x) + \frac{1}{4}H(0,0,1;x). \quad (6.8)$$

The two-loop form factor  $S^{(2l)}$  is given by

$$S^{(2l)} = C^2(d) \left(\frac{\mu^2}{m^2}\right)^{4-d} C_F \sum_{i=-4}^0 S^{(2l,i)} (d-4)^i + \mathcal{O}(d-4). \quad (6.9)$$

where the coefficient of the expansion in  $(d-4)$  are

$$S^{(2l,-4)} = C_F \frac{1}{2}, \quad (6.10)$$

$$S^{(2l,-3)} = C_F \left[ -\frac{5}{4} - H(1;x) \right] - C_A \frac{11}{8} + T_R N_l \frac{1}{2}, \quad (6.11)$$

$$S^{(2l,-2)} = C_F \left[ \frac{57}{32} + \frac{2+5x}{(4x)}H(1;x) + \frac{1}{2}H(0,1;x) + 2H(1,1;x) \right] + C_A \left[ \frac{49+9\zeta(2)}{72} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{11}{12}L_\mu + \frac{11}{12}H(1;x) \right] + T_R N_l \left[ -\frac{5}{18} + \frac{1}{3}L_\mu - \frac{1}{3}H(1;x) \right] + T_R N_h \left[ \frac{1}{3}L_\mu \right], \quad (6.12)$$

$$S^{(2l,-1)} = C_F \left[ -\frac{3(47+8\zeta(2)-16\zeta(3))}{64} - \frac{7+10x}{8x}H(1;x) - \frac{2+5x}{8x}H(0,1;x) \right. \\ \left. - \frac{6+5x}{4x}H(1,1;x) - \frac{1}{4}H(0,0,1;x) - \frac{3}{2}H(0,1,1;x) - H(1,0,1;x) - 4H(1,1,1;x) \right] \\ + C_A \left[ \frac{(1549+1980L_\mu-396L_\mu^2+972\zeta(2)-1188\zeta(3))}{1728} + \frac{67+66L_\mu-18\zeta(2)}{72}H(1;x) \right] \\ + T_R N_l \left[ \frac{-125-180L_\mu+36L_\mu^2-108\zeta(2)}{432} - \frac{5+6L_\mu}{18}H(1;x) \right] \\ + T_R N_h \left[ \frac{-5L_\mu+L_\mu^2-\zeta(2)}{12} - \frac{1}{3}L_\mu H(1;x) \right],$$

$$\begin{aligned}
S^{(2l,0)} = & C_F \left[ \frac{831}{256} + \left( \frac{3(13-7x)}{16(x-1)} + \frac{3 \ln(2)(x-4)(7x-8)}{8(x-1)^2} \right) \zeta(2) + \left( \frac{9(5-34x+11x^2)}{80(x-1)^2} \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. - \frac{4K}{5} \right) \zeta^2(2) - \frac{(74-96x+13x^2)\zeta(3)}{32(x-1)^2} + \frac{(1+2x+x^2)\zeta(2)}{2(x-1)x} H(-1; x) \right. \\
& \left. \frac{17+8x-25x^2 - (12-78x+30x^2)\zeta(2) - (8x-8x^2)\zeta(3)}{16(x-1)x} H(1; x) \right. \\
& \left. - \frac{9(4-4x+x^2)\zeta(2)}{8(x-1)^2} H(2; x) - \frac{\zeta(2)}{2} H(0, -1; x) + \frac{1}{16(x-1)^2 x} (11+12x-15x^2 \right. \\
& \left. - 8x^3 + 12x\zeta(2) + 24x^2\zeta(2)) H(0, 1; x) + \frac{4-x+5x^2}{8x^2} H(1, 1; x) \right. \\
& \left. + \frac{1+2x+x^2}{(x-1)x} H(-1, 0, 1; x) - \frac{2-13x+20x^2-3x^3}{16(x-1)^2 x} H(0, 0, 1; x) \right. \\
& \left. + \frac{14+5x}{4x} H(1, 1, 1; x) + \frac{10-33x+20x^2+6x^3}{8(x-1)^2 x} H(0, 1, 1; x) \right. \\
& \left. - \frac{2+5x-4x^2}{4(x-1)x} H(1, 0, 1; x) - \frac{3(4-4x+x^2)}{8(x-1)^2} H(2, 1, 1; x) - H(0, -1, 0, 1; x) \right. \\
& \left. - \frac{5-2x+3x^2}{8(x-1)^2} H(0, 0, 0, 1; x) + \frac{1-10x+3x^2}{4(x-1)^2} H(0, 0, 1, 1; x) + \frac{7}{2} H(0, 1, 1, 1; x) \right. \\
& \left. + \frac{4-4x+3x^2}{4(x-1)^2} H(0, 1, 0, 1; x) - \frac{1}{2} H(1, 0, 0, 1; x) + 3H(1, 0, 1, 1; x) \right. \\
& \left. + 2H(1, 1, 0, 1; x) + 8H(1, 1, 1, 1; x) \right] + C_A \left[ \frac{54589}{20736} - \frac{11L_\mu}{12} + \frac{55L_\mu^2}{192} - \frac{11L_\mu^3}{288} \right. \\
& \left. + \left( \frac{11L_\mu}{96} - \frac{3 \ln(2)(x-4)(7x-8)}{16(x-1)^2} - \frac{1067+49x}{576(x-1)} \right) \zeta(2) - \left( \frac{179-250x+125x^2}{160(x-1)^2} \right. \right. \\
& \left. \left. - \frac{2K}{5} \right) \zeta^2(2) + \frac{(896-1324x+347x^2)\zeta(3)}{576(x-1)^2} - \frac{(1+2x+x^2)\zeta(2)}{4(x-1)x} H(-1; x) \right. \\
& \left. + \frac{1}{432(x-1)x} (708+198L_\mu - 466x - 198L_\mu x - 99L_\mu^2 x - 242x^2 + 99L_\mu^2 x^2 \right. \\
& \left. - 216\zeta(2) + 738x\zeta(2) - 684x^2\zeta(2) - 378x\zeta(3) + 378x^2\zeta(3)) H(1; x) \right. \\
& \left. + \frac{9(4-4x+x^2)\zeta(2)}{(16(x-1)^2)} H(2; x) + \frac{1}{4} \zeta(2) H(0, -1; x) - \frac{1}{144(x-1)^2 x} (66+56x \right. \\
& \left. + 66L_\mu x - 211x^2 - 132L_\mu x^2 + 89x^3 + 66L_\mu x^3 - (126x-144x^2+72x^3)\zeta(2)) H(0, 1; x) \right. \\
& \left. - \frac{78+223x+132L_\mu x - 72x\zeta(2)}{144x} H(1, 1; x) - \frac{1+2x+x^2}{2(x-1)x} H(-1, 0, 1; x) \right. \\
& \left. - \frac{40-56x+7x^2}{48(x-1)^2} H(0, 0, 1; x) - \frac{11}{6} H(1, 1, 1; x) - \frac{44-88x+53x^2}{48(x-1)^2} H(0, 1, 1; x) \right. \\
& \left. + \frac{29-35x}{48(x-1)} H(1, 0, 1; x) + \frac{3(4-4x+x^2)}{16(x-1)^2} H(2, 1, 1; x) + \frac{1}{2} H(0, -1, 0, 1; x) \right. \\
& \left. - \frac{1}{8(x-1)^2} H(0, 0, 0, 1; x) - \frac{1}{4(x-1)^2} H(0, 0, 1, 1; x) + \frac{1}{8(x-1)^2} H(0, 1, 0, 1; x) \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& +\frac{1}{2}H(1,0,0,1;x) \Big] + T_R N_l \left[ \frac{1}{5184}(3893+1728L_\mu-540L_\mu^2+72L_\mu^3+3420\zeta(2)) \right. \\
& -216L_\mu\zeta(2)+720\zeta(3) \Big] + \frac{48+18L_\mu+28x-9L_\mu^2x+45x\zeta(2)}{108x} H(1;x) \\
& +\frac{3+5x+3L_\mu x}{18x} H(0,1;x) + \frac{3+5x+3L_\mu x}{9x} H(1,1;x) + \frac{1}{6} H(0,0,1;x) \\
& +\frac{1}{3} H(0,1,1;x) + \frac{1}{3} H(1,0,1;x) + \frac{2}{3} H(1,1,1;x) \Big] + T_R N_h \left[ \frac{L_\mu}{3} - \frac{5L_\mu^2}{48} + \frac{L_\mu^3}{72} \right. \\
& +\frac{11407-17630x+8527x^2}{2592(x-1)^2} - \left( \frac{L_\mu}{24} - \frac{409-747x+651x^2-185x^3}{144(x-1)^3} \right) \zeta(2) \\
& -\frac{7\zeta(3)}{36} + \frac{1}{108(x-1)^2x} (48+18L_\mu+104x-36L_\mu x-9L_\mu^2x-112x^2+18L_\mu x^2 \\
& +18L_\mu^2x^2+56x^3-9L_\mu^2x^3+9x\zeta(2)-18x^2\zeta(2)+9x^3\zeta(2)) H(1;x) \\
& -\frac{1}{18(x-1)^3x} (3+14x+3L_\mu x-9L_\mu x^2-6x^3+9L_\mu x^3+5x^4-3L_\mu x^4) H(0,1;x) \\
& \left. +\frac{L_\mu}{3} H(1,1;x) + \frac{1}{6} H(0,0,1;x) \right]. \tag{6.13}
\end{aligned}$$

When written in terms of form factors, the Ward identity in eq. (6.1) reads as follows:

$$2G_1^{(2l)}(x) + xG_2^{(2l)}(x) + G_3^{(2l)}(x) - 2S^{(2l)}(x) = 0. \tag{6.14}$$

It can be checked that the form factors presented in this paper fulfill eq. (6.14).

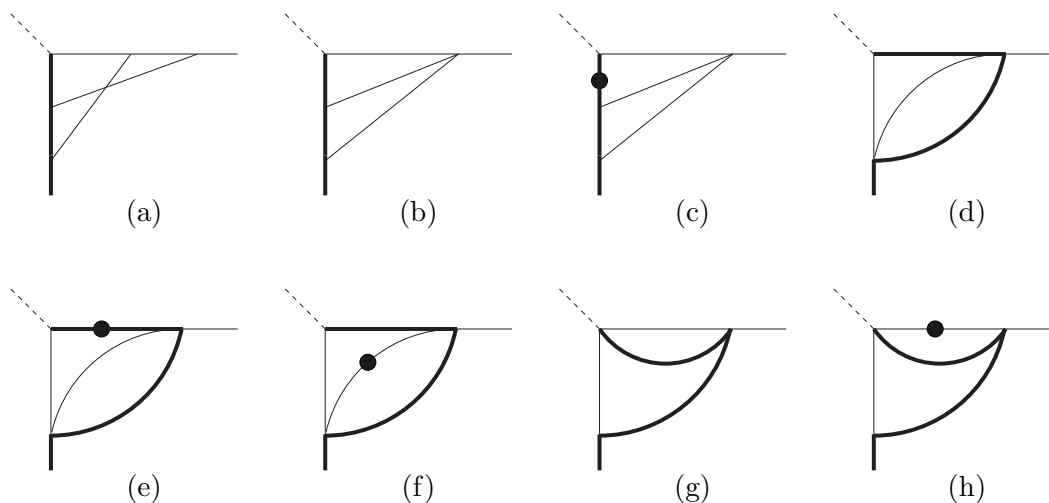
## 7. Conclusions

In this paper, we presented analytic expressions for the two-loop QCD corrections to the decay process  $b \rightarrow u W^* \rightarrow u l \bar{\nu}$ . This process is important for the precise determination of the CKM matrix element  $V_{ub}$  and, therefore, for the study of flavor and CP violation within and beyond the Standard Model of fundamental interactions.

The Lorentz structure of the process is parametrized in terms of three form factors, whose analytic expression are given in the form of a Laurent series of  $(d-4)$ , where  $d$  is the space-time dimension. The coefficients of the series are expressed in the well known functional basis of harmonic polylogarithms of a single dimensionless variable. The result can be used in a SCET framework, after combining it with the jet and soft functions already known in the literature, for a phenomenological determination of  $|V_{ub}|$ . The results presented here are the first step towards a complete determination of the NNLO QCD corrections to the heavy-to-light quark transition.

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**Figure 3:** Master Integrals needed for the Two-loop QCD corrections. Thick lines represent massive particles, thin lines represent massless ones.

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### A. The master integrals

In this appendix we collect the analytic expressions of the Master Integrals for the Feynman diagrams of figure 3. We provide only eight of them, since the other MIs can be found in [41, 42]. It must be pointed out that the MIs (a)–(f) in figure 3 were already calculated in [43]. We checked the analytic expressions that we obtained against the results in [43] and we found complete agreement. Moreover, all the MIs were checked by comparing their numerical value to the results obtained by direct numerical integration with the sector decomposition method. The numerical integration was carried out by using the package FIESTA (see [40]). The checks were done for several values of the variable  $y$ .

The explicit expression of the MIs depends on the chosen normalization of the integration measure. The integration on the loop momenta is normalized as follows

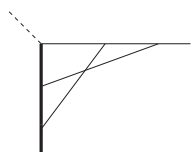
$$\int \mathfrak{D}^d k = \frac{1}{C(d)} \left( \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} \right)^{\frac{(d-4)}{2}} \int \frac{d^d k}{(4\pi^2)^{\frac{(d-2)}{2}}}, \quad (\text{A.1})$$

where  $C(d)$  is defined in eq. (3.16). In eq. (A.1)  $\mu$  stands for the 't Hooft mass of dimensional regularization. The integration measure in eq. (A.1) is chosen in such a way that the one-loop massive tadpole becomes

$$\int \mathfrak{D}^d k \frac{1}{k^2 + m^2} = \frac{m^2}{(d-2)(d-4)}. \quad (\text{A.2})$$

In the expressions below,  $\mathcal{K}$  is a rational number (its numerical value is  $\mathcal{K} = 3.32812 \pm 0.00002 \sim 213/64$ ), while  $a_4 = \text{Li}_4(1/2) = 0.51747906 \dots$ .  $\zeta(2)$  and  $\zeta(3)$  are the Riemann  $\zeta$  function evaluated in 2 and 3 respectively:  $\zeta(2) = 1.6449341 \dots$ ,  $\zeta(3) = 1.2020569 \dots$

The expressions of the MIs are the following.



$$= \frac{1}{m^4(1+y)^2} \sum_{i=-4}^0 A_i (d-4)^i + \mathcal{O}(d-4), \quad (\text{A.3})$$

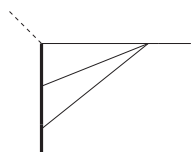
$$A_{-4} = \frac{1}{12}, \quad (\text{A.4})$$

$$A_{-3} = \frac{1}{6} H(-1; y), \quad (\text{A.5})$$

$$A_{-2} = -\frac{7}{48} \zeta(2) + \frac{1}{3} H(-1, -1; y), \quad (\text{A.6})$$

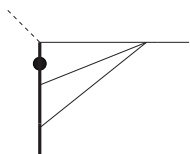
$$A_{-1} = \frac{89}{96} \zeta(3) - \frac{7}{24} \zeta(2) H(-1; y) + \frac{2}{3} H(-1, -1, -1; y), \quad (\text{A.7})$$

$$A_0 = -\frac{2}{5} \zeta^2(2) \mathcal{K} + \frac{65}{48} \zeta(3) H(-1; y) - \frac{7}{12} \zeta(2) H(-1, -1; y) + \frac{4}{3} H(-1, -1, -1, -1; y) - \frac{1}{2} H(-1, 0, 0, -1; y). \quad (\text{A.8})$$



$$= \frac{1}{m^2(1+y)} B_0 + \mathcal{O}(d-4), \quad (\text{A.9})$$

$$B_0 = \frac{27}{160} \zeta^2(2) + \frac{3}{16} \zeta(2) H(0, -1; y) - \frac{1}{16} H(0, -1, 0, -1; y) + \frac{1}{8} H(0, 0, -1, -1; y) - \frac{1}{16} H(0, 0, 0, -1; y). \quad (\text{A.10})$$

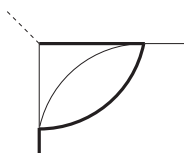


$$= \frac{1}{m^4(1+y)} \sum_{i=-1}^1 C_i (d-4)^i + \mathcal{O}(d-4)^2, \quad (\text{A.11})$$

$$C_{-1} = \frac{1}{32} \zeta(2), \quad (\text{A.12})$$

$$C_0 = \frac{1}{64} \zeta(3) + \frac{1}{16} \zeta(2) H(-1; y) + \frac{1}{16} H(0, -1, -1; y) - \frac{1}{16} H(0, 0, -1; y), \quad (\text{A.13})$$

$$\begin{aligned} C_1 = & -\frac{9}{80} \zeta^2(2) + \frac{1}{32} \zeta(3) H(-1; y) - \frac{3}{32} \zeta(2) H(0, -1; y) + \frac{1}{8} \zeta(2) H(-1, -1; y) \\ & + \frac{1}{8} H(-1, 0, -1, -1; y) - \frac{1}{8} H(-1, 0, 0, -1; y) + \frac{3}{16} H(0, -1, -1, -1; y) \\ & - \frac{1}{16} H(0, -1, 0, -1; y) - \frac{9}{32} H(0, 0, -1, -1; y) + \frac{5}{32} H(0, 0, 0, -1; y). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.14})$$



$$= \sum_{i=-2}^1 D_i (d-4)^i + \mathcal{O}(d-4)^2, \quad (\text{A.15})$$

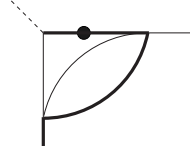
$$D_{-2} = \frac{1}{8}, \quad (\text{A.16})$$

$$D_{-1} = -\frac{5}{16} + \frac{(1+y)}{8y} H(-1; y), \quad (\text{A.17})$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_0 = & \frac{19}{32} + \frac{1}{16} \zeta(2) - \frac{5}{16} H(-1; y) + \frac{3}{16} H(-1, -1; y) - \frac{1}{16} H(0, -1; y) \\ & + \frac{1}{y} \left[ -\frac{5}{16} H(-1; y) + \frac{3}{16} H(-1, -1; y) - \frac{1}{8} H(0, -1; y) \right] + \frac{1}{(1+y)} \left[ \frac{5}{64} \zeta(3) \right. \\ & - \frac{3}{16} \zeta(2) \ln(2) - \frac{3}{16} \zeta(2) H(-2; y) - \frac{1}{16} H(-2, -1, -1; y) - \frac{1}{16} H(0, -1, -1; y) \\ & \left. + \frac{1}{16} H(0, 0, -1; y) \right], \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.18})$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_1 = & -\frac{65}{64} - \frac{7}{128} \zeta(3) - \frac{5}{32} \zeta(2) - \frac{3}{32} \zeta(2) \ln(2) + \frac{19}{32} H(-1; y) + \frac{5}{32} \zeta(2) H(-1; y) \\ & - \frac{3}{32} \zeta(2) H(-2; y) + \frac{5}{32} H(0, -1; y) - \frac{15}{32} H(-1, -1; y) - \frac{1}{32} H(-2, -1, -1; y) \\ & + \frac{5}{16} H(-1, -1, -1; y) - \frac{1}{8} H(-1, 0, -1; y) - \frac{3}{32} H(0, -1, -1; y) + \frac{1}{16} H(0, 0, -1; y) \\ & + \frac{1}{y} \left[ \frac{19}{32} H(-1; y) + \frac{3}{32} \zeta(2) H(-1; y) - \frac{15}{32} H(-1, -1; y) + \frac{5}{16} H(0, -1; y) \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{5}{16} H(-1, -1, -1; y) - \frac{3}{16} H(-1, 0, -1; y) - \frac{3}{16} H(0, -1, -1; y) + \frac{1}{8} H(0, 0, -1; y) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \frac{1}{(1+y)} \left[ -\frac{1}{96} \ln^4(2) - \frac{5}{128} \zeta(3) + \frac{3}{32} \zeta(2) \ln(2) + \frac{1}{16} \zeta(2) \ln^2(2) + \frac{33}{640} \zeta^2(2) - \frac{1}{4} a_4 \right. \\
 & - \left( \frac{5}{64} \zeta(3) - \frac{3}{16} \zeta(2) \ln(2) \right) H(-1; y) + \left( \frac{7}{32} \zeta(3) + \frac{3}{32} \zeta(2) \right) H(-2; y) \\
 & - \frac{3}{32} \zeta(2) H(0, -1; y) + \frac{3}{16} \zeta(2) H(-1, -2; y) - \frac{5}{32} \zeta(2) H(-2, -1; y) \\
 & + \frac{1}{32} H(-2, -1, -1; y) + \frac{1}{32} H(0, -1, -1; y) - \frac{1}{32} H(0, 0, -1; y) \\
 & - \frac{3}{16} H(-2, -1, -1, -1; y) + \frac{1}{16} H(-2, -1, 0, -1; y) + \frac{1}{16} H(-1, -2, -1, -1; y) \\
 & + \frac{1}{16} H(-1, 0, -1, -1; y) - \frac{1}{16} H(-1, 0, 0, -1; y) - \frac{3}{16} H(0, -1, -1, -1; y) \\
 & \left. + \frac{1}{8} H(0, -1, 0, -1; y) + \frac{1}{8} H(0, 0, -1, -1; y) - \frac{3}{32} H(0, 0, 0, -1; y) \right]. \quad (\text{A.19})
 \end{aligned}$$



$$= \frac{1}{m^2} \sum_{i=-1}^2 E_i (d-4)^i + \mathcal{O}(d-4)^3, \quad (\text{A.20})$$

$$E_{-1} = -\frac{1}{8y} H(-1; y), \quad (\text{A.21})$$

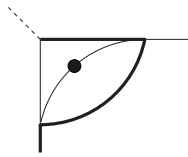
$$\begin{aligned}
 E_0 = & \frac{1}{8y} \left[ H(-1; y) - \frac{3}{2} H(-1, -1; y) + H(0, -1; y) \right] \\
 & - \frac{1}{16(2+y)} \left[ 3\zeta(2) + H(-1, -1; y) \right], \quad (\text{A.22})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_1 = & \frac{1}{y} \left[ -\frac{1}{8} H(-1; y) - \frac{3}{32} \zeta(2) H(-1; y) + \frac{3}{16} H(-1, -1; y) \right. \\
 & - \frac{5}{16} H(-1, -1, -1; y) + \frac{3}{16} H(-1, 0, -1; y) - \frac{1}{8} H(0, -1; y) + \frac{3}{16} H(0, -1, -1; y) \\
 & \left. - \frac{1}{8} H(0, 0, -1; y) \right] + \frac{1}{(1+y)} \left[ -\frac{5}{64} \zeta(3) + \frac{3}{16} \zeta(2) \ln(2) + \frac{3}{16} \zeta(2) H(-2; y) \right. \\
 & + \frac{1}{16} H(-2, -1, -1; y) + \frac{1}{16} H(0, -1, -1; y) - \frac{1}{16} H(0, 0, -1; y) \left. \right] + \frac{1}{(2+y)} \left[ \frac{7}{32} \zeta(3) \right. \\
 & + \frac{3}{16} \zeta(2) - \frac{5}{32} \zeta(2) H(-1; y) + \frac{1}{16} H(-1, -1; y) - \frac{3}{16} H(-1, -1, -1; y) \\
 & \left. + \frac{1}{16} H(-1, 0, -1; y) \right], \quad (\text{A.23})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_2 = & \frac{1}{y} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{8} + \frac{9}{128} \zeta(3) + \frac{3}{32} \zeta(2) + \frac{3}{32} \zeta(2) \ln(2) \right) H(-1; y) + \left( \frac{1}{8} + \frac{3}{32} \zeta(2) \right) H(0, -1; y) \right. \\
 & - \left( \frac{3}{16} + \frac{7}{32} \zeta(2) \right) H(-1, -1; y) + \frac{3}{32} \zeta(2) H(-1, -2; y) - \frac{3}{16} H(-1, 0, -1; y) \\
 & \left. + \frac{1}{8} H(0, 0, -1; y) - \frac{3}{16} H(0, -1, -1; y) + \frac{5}{16} H(-1, -1, -1; y) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \frac{1}{32}H(-1, -2, -1, -1; y) - \frac{9}{16}H(-1, -1, -1, -1; y) + \frac{5}{16}H(-1, -1, 0, -1; y) \\
 & + \frac{5}{16}H(-1, 0, -1, -1; y) - \frac{7}{32}H(-1, 0, 0, -1; y) + \frac{5}{16}H(0, -1, -1, -1; y) \\
 & - \frac{3}{16}H(0, -1, 0, -1; y) - \frac{3}{16}H(0, 0, -1, -1; y) + \frac{1}{8}H(0, 0, 0, -1; y) \Big] \\
 & + \frac{1}{(1+y)} \left[ \frac{1}{96} \ln^4(2) + \frac{5}{64} \zeta(3) - \frac{3}{16} \zeta(2) \ln(2) - \frac{1}{16} \zeta(2) \ln^2(2) - \frac{33}{640} \zeta^2(2) + \frac{1}{4} a_4 \right. \\
 & + \left( \frac{5}{64} \zeta(3) - \frac{3}{16} \zeta(2) \ln(2) \right) H(-1; y) - \left( \frac{7}{32} \zeta(3) + \frac{3}{16} \zeta(2) \right) H(-2; y) \\
 & + \frac{3}{32} \zeta(2) H(0, -1; y) + \frac{5}{32} \zeta(2) H(-2, -1; y) - \frac{3}{16} \zeta(2) H(-1, -2; y) \\
 & - \frac{1}{16} H(0, -1, -1; y) + \frac{1}{16} H(0, 0, -1; y) - \frac{1}{16} H(-2, -1, -1; y) \\
 & + \frac{3}{16} H(-2, -1, -1, -1; y) - \frac{1}{16} H(-2, -1, 0, -1; y) - \frac{1}{16} H(-1, -2, -1, -1; y) \\
 & - \frac{1}{16} H(-1, 0, -1, -1; y) + \frac{1}{16} H(-1, 0, 0, -1; y) + \frac{3}{16} H(0, -1, -1, -1; y) \\
 & \left. - \frac{1}{8} H(0, -1, 0, -1; y) - \frac{1}{8} H(0, 0, -1, -1; y) + \frac{3}{32} H(0, 0, 0, -1; y) \right] \\
 & + \frac{1}{(2+y)} \left[ -\frac{7}{32} \zeta(3) - \frac{3}{16} \zeta(2) - \frac{45}{128} \zeta^2(2) + \left( \frac{1}{8} \zeta(3) + \frac{5}{32} \zeta(2) \right. \right. \\
 & \left. \left. + \frac{3}{16} \zeta(2) \ln(2) \right) H(-1; y) - \left( \frac{1}{16} + \frac{9}{32} \zeta(2) \right) H(-1, -1; y) + \frac{3}{16} \zeta(2) H(-1, -2; y) \right. \\
 & + \frac{3}{16} H(-1, -1, -1; y) - \frac{1}{16} H(-1, 0, -1; y) + \frac{1}{16} H(-1, -2, -1, -1; y) \\
 & - \frac{7}{16} H(-1, -1, -1, -1; y) + \frac{3}{16} H(-1, -1, 0, -1; y) + \frac{5}{32} H(-1, 0, -1, -1; y) \\
 & \left. - \frac{1}{8} H(-1, 0, 0, -1; y) \right]. \tag{A.24}
 \end{aligned}$$



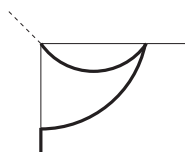
$$= \frac{1}{m^2(1+y)} \sum_{i=-1}^1 F_i (d-4)^i + \mathcal{O}(d-4)^2, \tag{A.25}$$

$$F_{-1} = \frac{1}{8} \zeta(2) + \frac{1}{8} H(0, -1; y), \tag{A.26}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_0 = & -\frac{7}{64} \zeta(3) - \frac{3}{16} \zeta(2) \ln(2) + \frac{1}{8} \zeta(2) H(-1; y) - \frac{3}{16} \zeta(2) H(-2; y) - \frac{1}{16} H(-2, -1, -1; y) \\
 & + \frac{1}{8} H(-1, 0, -1; y) + \frac{3}{16} H(0, -1, -1; y) - \frac{1}{8} H(0, 0, -1; y), \tag{A.27}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_1 = & -\frac{1}{96} \ln^4(2) + \frac{1}{16} \zeta(2) \ln^2(2) + \frac{227}{640} \zeta^2(2) - \frac{1}{4} a_4 - \frac{3}{16} \zeta(3) H(-1; y) + \frac{7}{32} \zeta(3) H(-2; y) \\
 & + \frac{\zeta(2)}{32} [3H(0, -1; y) + 4H(-1, -1; y) - 5H(-2, -1; y)] - \frac{3}{16} H(-2, -1, -1, -1; y)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \frac{1}{16}H(-2, -1, 0, -1; y) + \frac{1}{8}H(-1, -1, 0, -1; y) + \frac{1}{4}H(-1, 0, -1, -1; y) \\
 & - \frac{3}{16}H(-1, 0, 0, -1; y) + \frac{5}{16}H(0, -1, -1, -1; y) - \frac{3}{16}H(0, -1, 0, -1; y) \\
 & - \frac{3}{16}H(0, 0, -1, -1; y) + \frac{1}{8}H(0, 0, 0, -1; y). \tag{A.28}
 \end{aligned}$$



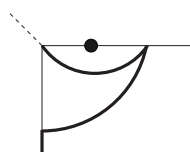
$$= \sum_{i=-2}^1 G_i (d-4)^i + \mathcal{O}(d-4)^2, \tag{A.29}$$

$$G_{-2} = \frac{1}{8}, \tag{A.30}$$

$$G_{-1} = -\frac{5}{16}, \tag{A.31}$$

$$G_0 = \frac{19}{32} - \frac{1}{16}\zeta(2) - \frac{1}{16}H(0, -1; y) - \frac{1}{8(y+1)}[z3 + H(0, 0, -1; y)], \tag{A.32}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_1 = & -\frac{65}{64} + \frac{3}{32}\zeta(3) + \frac{5}{32}\zeta(2) - \frac{1}{16}\zeta(2)H(-1; y) + \frac{5}{32}H(0, -1; y) - \frac{1}{16}H(-1, 0, -1; y) \\
 & - \frac{1}{8}H(0, -1, -1; y) + \frac{3}{32}H(0, 0, -1; y) + \frac{1}{(1+y)} \left[ \frac{1}{16}\zeta(3) + \frac{7}{160}\zeta^2(2) \right. \\
 & + \frac{1}{8}\zeta(3)H(-1; y) - \frac{1}{16}\zeta(2)H(0, -1; y) + \frac{1}{16}H(0, 0, -1; y) + \frac{1}{8}H(-1, 0, 0, -1; y) \\
 & \left. - \frac{1}{16}H(0, -1, 0, -1; y) - \frac{1}{4}H(0, 0, -1, -1; y) \right]. \tag{A.33}
 \end{aligned}$$



$$= \frac{1}{m^2(1+y)} \sum_{i=-1}^1 J_i (d-4)^i + \mathcal{O}(d-4)^2, \tag{A.34}$$

$$J_{-1} = \frac{1}{8}\zeta(2) + \frac{1}{8}H(0, -1; y), \tag{A.35}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_0 = & -\frac{3}{16}\zeta(3) + \frac{1}{8}\zeta(2)H(-1; y) + \frac{1}{8}H(-1, 0, -1; y) + \frac{1}{4}H(0, -1, -1; y) \\
 & - \frac{3}{16}H(0, 0, -1; y), \tag{A.36}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_1 = & \frac{23}{160}\zeta^2(2) - \frac{1}{16}\zeta(3)H(-1; y) + \frac{1}{8}\zeta(2)H(-1, -1; y) + \frac{1}{8}H(-1, -1, 0, -1; y) \\
 & + \frac{1}{4}H(-1, 0, -1, -1; y) - \frac{1}{16}H(-1, 0, 0, -1; y) + \frac{1}{2}H(0, -1, -1, -1; y) \\
 & - \frac{1}{4}H(0, -1, 0, -1; y) - \frac{3}{8}H(0, 0, -1, -1; y) + \frac{1}{32}H(0, 0, 0, -1; y). \tag{A.37}
 \end{aligned}$$

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