One-loop correction to heavy dark matter annihilation

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I. INTRODUCTION

It is now well established that if dark matter (DM) is composed of TeV-scale weakly interacting massive particles (WIMPs) then its present-day annihilation rate to produce photons is poorly described by the tree-level amplitude. Correcting this shortcoming is important for determining accurate theoretical predictions for existing and future indirect detection experiments focusing on the TeV mass range, such as H.E.S.S [12,13], HAWC [3–5], CTA [6], VERITAS [7–9], and MAGIC [10,11].

The origin of the breakdown in the lowest order approximation can be traced to two independent effects. The first of these is the so-called Sommerfeld enhancement: the large enhancement in the annihilation cross section when the initial states are subject to a long-range potential. In the case of WIMPs, this potential is due to the exchange of electroweak gauge bosons and photons. This effect has been widely studied (see for example Refs. [12–16]) and can alter the cross section by as much as several orders of magnitude. The Sommerfeld enhancement is particularly important when the relative velocity of the annihilating DM particles is low, as it is thought to be in the present-day Milky Way halo.

The second effect is due to large electroweak Sudakov logarithms of the heavy DM mass, $m_x$, over the electroweak scale, which enhance loop-level diagrams and cause a breakdown in the usual perturbative expansion. The origin of these large corrections can be traced to the fact that the initial state in the annihilation is not an electroweak gauge singlet and that a particular $\gamma$ or $Z$ final state is selected, implying that the Kinoshita-Lee-Nauenberg theorem does not apply [17–20]. While the importance of this effect for indirect detection has only been appreciated more recently (see for example Refs. [21–26]), it must be accounted for, as it can induce $\mathcal{O}(1)$ changes to the cross section. Hryczuk and Iengo [21] (hereafter Hryczuk and Iengo’s) calculated the one-loop correction to the annihilation rate of heavy winos to $\gamma\gamma$ and $\gamma Z$ and found large corrections to the tree-level result, even after including a prescription for the Sommerfeld enhancement. These large corrections are symptomatic of the presence of large logarithms $\ln(2m_y/m_Z)$ and $\ln(2m_y/m_W)$, which can generally be resummed using effective field theory (EFT) techniques. This observation has been made by a number of authors who introduced EFTs to study a variety of models and final states. The list includes the case of exclusive annihilation into $\gamma$ or $Z$ final states for the standard fermionic wino [24] and also a scalar version of the wino [23], as well as semi-inclusive annihilation into $\gamma + X$ for the wino [22,25,26] and higgsino [26].

In principle, the EFT calculations are systematically improvable to higher order and in a manner where the perturbative expansion is now under control. In order to fully demonstrate perturbative control has been regained, however, it is important to extend these works to higher order. To this end, in this paper, we extend the calculation of exclusive annihilation of the wino, which has already been calculated to next-to-leading logarithmic (NLL) accuracy [24]. Doing so includes determining the one-loop correction in the full theory, as already considered by Hryczuk and Iengo’s. Nonetheless, the results in that reference were calculated numerically and are not in the form needed to extend the EFT calculation to higher order. As such, here we revisit that calculation and analytically determine the DM-scale (high-scale) one-loop matching coefficients. We further calculate the electroweak-scale (low-scale) matching at one loop, thereby including the effects of finite gauge-boson masses. Taken together, these two effects extend the calculation to NLL’ = NLL + $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_2)$ one-loop corrections, where $\alpha_2 = g_2^2/4\pi$ and $g_2$ is the SU(2)$_L$ coupling. We estimate that our result reduces the perturbative uncertainty from Sudakov effects to $\mathcal{O}(1\%)$, improving on the NLL result where the uncertainty was
Our calculation is complementary to the NLL' calculation for the scalar wino considered in Ref. [23], and where relevant, we have cross-checked our work against that reference. In Sec. II, we outline the EFT setup and review the NLL calculation. Then, in Sec. III, we state the main results of this work, the one-loop high- and low-scale matching, leaving the details of their calculation to Appendixes A and C respectively. Detailed cross-checks on the results are provided in Appendixes B and D, while lengthy formulas are delayed till Appendix E. We compare our analytic results to the numerical ones of Hryczuk and Iengo’s in Sec. IV and then conclude in Sec. V.

II. EFT FRAMEWORK

We begin by outlining the EFT framework for our calculation and in doing so review the calculation of heavy DM annihilation to NLL, focusing on the treatment of the large logarithms that were partly responsible for the breakdown in the tree-level approximation. We choose the concrete model of pure wino DM—the same as used by Hryczuk and Iengo’s and Ref. [24]—to study these effects. Nevertheless, we emphasize the point that the central aim is to quantify the effect of large logarithms which can occur in many models of heavy DM, rather than to better understand this particular model. Ultimately, it would be satisfying to extend these results to DM with arbitrary charges under a general gauge group to make the analysis less model specific. This is possible for GeV-scale DM indirect detection where the tree-level approximation is generally accurate (see for example Refs. [27,28]). Understanding the full range of effects first in a simple model is an important step toward this goal.

The model considered takes the DM to be a wino: an SU(2)\(_L\) triplet of Majorana fermions. As already highlighted, this is a simple example where both the Sommerfeld enhancement and large logarithms are important. Furthermore, this model is of interest in its own right. Neutralino DM is generic in supersymmetric theories [29,30]: models of “split supersymmetry” naturally accommodate winolike DM close to the weak scale, while the scalar superpartners can be much heavier [31–33]. DM transforming as an SU(2)\(_L\) triplet has been studied extensively in the literature, both within split-supersymmetry scenarios [34–36] and more generally [14,37,38]. The model augments the Standard Model (SM) Lagrangian with

\[
\mathcal{L}_{\text{DM}} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \bar{\chi} (i \partial \! \! \! / - M_\chi) \chi.
\]  

(1)

We take \( M_\chi = m_\chi \), such that in the unbroken theory all the DM fermions have the same mass. After electroweak symmetry breaking, the three states \( \chi^0, \chi^+, \chi^- \) break into a Majorana fermion \( \chi^0 \) and a Dirac fermion \( \chi^\pm \). A small mass difference, \( \delta m \), between these states is then generated radiatively, ensuring that \( \chi^0 \) makes up the observed stable DM. Note, however, that both the charged and neutral states will be included in the EFT.

An effective field theory for this model, nonrelativistic dark matter (NRDM)—soft-collinear effective theory (SCET), was introduced in Ref. [24] and used to calculate the rates for the annihilation processes \( \chi \chi \rightarrow ZZ, Z\gamma, \gamma\gamma \). Specifically, the EFT generalizes soft-collinear effective theory [39–42] to include nonrelativistic dark matter in the initial state. Schematically, the calculation involves several steps. First, the full theory has to be matched onto the relevant NRDM-SCET\(_{\text{EW}}\) operators at the high scale of \( \mu = 2m_\chi \). The qualifier \( \text{EW} \) indicates that this is a theory where electroweak degrees of freedom—the W and Z bosons, top quark, and the Higgs—are dynamical, as introduced in Refs. [20,43–46]. These operators then need to be run down to the electroweak scale, \( \mu = m_Z \). At this low scale, we then match NRDM-SCET\(_{\text{EW}}\) onto a theory where the electroweak degrees of freedom are no longer dynamical, NRDM-SCET\(_{\text{f}}\). This matching accounts for the effects of electroweak symmetry breaking, such as the finite gauge-boson masses. At this stage, we can now calculate the low-scale matrix elements which provide the Sommerfeld enhancement. We now briefly review each of these steps.

The first requirement is to match NRDM-SCET\(_{\text{EW}}\) and the full theory at the high scale \( \mu_\text{nr} \). The relevant operators in the EFT to describe DM annihilation have the following form,

\[
O_{\text{nr}} = \frac{1}{2} (\chi^a_i \Gamma_i \sigma_\mu \chi^b_j (S_{abcd} \mathcal{B}_{n\perp}^{\mu} \mathcal{B}_{n\perp}^{\nu}) \epsilon^{ijk} (n - \bar{n})^k),
\]  

(2)

which is written in terms of the basic building blocks of the effective theory, and in the center of momentum frame we can define \( v = (1, 0, 0, 0) \), \( n = (1, \bar{n}) \), and \( \bar{n} = (1, -\bar{n}) \) where \( \bar{n} \) is the direction of an outgoing gauge boson. In more detail, \( \chi^a_i \) is a nonrelativistic two-component fermionic field of gauge index \( a \) corresponding to the DM, and \( \mathcal{B}_{n\perp}^{\mu} \) contains the outgoing (anti)collinear gauge bosons \( A_{\bar{n},n}^{\mu} \), which can be seen as

\[
\mathcal{B}_{n\perp}^{\mu} = A_{\bar{n},n}^{\mu} - \frac{k_\perp}{\bar{n} \cdot k} \bar{n} \cdot A_{\mu} + \ldots,
\]  

(3)

where the higher order terms in this expression involve two or more collinear gauge fields. For \( \mathcal{B}_{n\perp}^{\mu} \), we simply interchange \( n \leftrightarrow \bar{n} \). The full form of \( \mathcal{B}_{n\perp}^{\mu} \) can be found in Ref. [47] and is collinear gauge invariant on its own. Finally, the gauge index connection is encoded in \( S_{\mu}^{abcd} \):

\[
S_1^{abcd} = \delta^{ab} (S_n^{ce} S_{\bar{n}}^{df}),
\]

\[
S_2^{abcd} = (S_v^{ae} S_c^{bf})(S_v^{de} S_{\bar{n}}^{bf}).
\]  

(4)

These expressions are written in terms of adjoint Wilson lines of soft gauge bosons along some direction \( n \), \( \bar{n} \), or \( v \); in position space, the incoming Wilson line is
where the matrix \( A_c^{bc} = -i f^{abc} A_e^a \) and for outgoing Wilson lines the integral runs from 0 to \( \infty \).

The fact there are only two possible forms of \( S_c^{abcd} \) means there are only two relevant NRDM-SCET operators. An important requirement of the operators is that the incoming DM fields must be in an s-wave configuration. Then, being a two-particle state of identical fermions, the Wilson coefficients associated with these operators are determined by the matching. Calculating to NLL only requires the tree-level result where
\[
C_1(\mu_{m_e}) = -C_2(\mu_{m_e}) = -\pi \alpha_2 (\mu_{m_e}) / m_x
\]
as an initial condition. Here, \( \alpha_2 \) is the SU(2)_L fine structure constant. We extend this result to one loop in Sec. III.

After matching, the next step is to evolve these operators down to the low scale, effectively resumming the large logarithms \( \ln(2m_\gamma/m_Z) \) and \( \ln(2m_\gamma/m_W) \) that caused a breakdown in the perturbative expansion of the coupling. This is done using the anomalous dimension matrix \( \tilde{\gamma} \) of the two operators (a matrix as the operators will in general mix during the running). In general, the matrix can be broken into a diagonal piece \( \gamma_{W_\gamma} \), and a nondiagonal soft contribution \( \gamma_S \), as
\[
\tilde{\gamma} = 2\gamma_{W_\gamma} + \gamma_S.
\]

To NLL, these results are given by [24]
\[
\gamma_{W_\gamma} = \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \Gamma_0^\mu \ln \frac{2m_\gamma}{\mu} - \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} b_0 + \left( \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \right)^2 \Gamma_1^\mu \ln \frac{2m_\gamma}{\mu},
\]
\[
\gamma_S = \frac{\alpha_2}{\pi} (1 - i\pi) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{2\alpha_2}{\pi} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.
\]

Here, the diagonal anomalous dimension has been written in terms of the SU(2)_L one-loop \( \beta \)-function, \( b_0 = 19/6 \), as well as the cusp anomalous dimensions, \( \Gamma_0^\mu = 8 \) and \( \Gamma_1^\mu = 8(9g/2 - \frac{3}{2} \pi^2) \), and we use the full SM particle content for this evolution.¹ Renormalization group evolution with the anomalous dimension also requires the two-loop \( \beta \)-function, and for this, we take \( b_1 = -35/6 \). Our normalization convention is such that \( m_\gamma \alpha_2 d\mu / d\mu = -b_0 \alpha_2^2 / (2\pi) - b_1 \alpha_2^3 / (8\pi^2) \). Below the DM matching scale, the spin of the DM is no longer important. As such, the anomalous dimension determined in Ref. [24] for the fermionic wino should resum the same logarithms as those that appear in the scalar case considered in Ref. [23], and we have confirmed they agree.

We can then explicitly use the full anomalous dimension to evolve the operators as follows:
\[
\begin{pmatrix} C_2^X \{ m_1 \} \\ C_0^X \{ m_1 \} \end{pmatrix} = e^{\int_{\mu_{m_e}}^{\mu_{m_x}} d\mu \tilde{\gamma}(\mu, m_x)} \begin{pmatrix} C_1(\mu_{m_e}, m_x) \\ C_2(\mu_{m_e}, m_x) \end{pmatrix},
\]

(8)

Let us carefully explain the origin and dependence of each of these terms. Starting from the right, \( C_1 \) and \( C_2 \) are the high-scale Wilson coefficients of the operators stated in Eq. (2), resulting from a matching of the full theory onto NRDM-SCET_{EW}. These only depend on the high scales, specifically \( m_{m_e} \) and \( m_x \). Next, the anomalous dimension \( \tilde{\gamma} \) is also a high-scale object and so only depends on \( m_x \) and now \( \mu \) as it runs between the relevant scales. \( \tilde{D}^X \) is a factor accounting for the low-scale matching from NRDM-SCET_{EW} onto NRDM-SCET_{I}—a theory where the electroweak modes have been integrated out; see Refs. [20,43–46]. It is a matrix as soft gauge-boson exchanges can mix the operators. Furthermore, \( \tilde{D}^X \) is labeled by \( X \) to denote its dependence on the specific final state considered, namely, \( \gamma\gamma, \gamma Z, \) or \( ZZ \). This object depends on the low-scale physics and so depends on \( \mu_{m_e} \) and all the masses in the problem, which we denote as \( \{ m_i \} \). It contains both a resummation of low-scale logarithms (which can be carried out directly as in Refs. [43,44] or more elegantly with the rapidity renormalization group [48]; see also Ref. [49]) as well as the low-scale matching coefficient which does not necessarily exponentiate. Finally, on the left, we have our final coefficients \( C_2^X \) and \( C_0^X \), which as explained below can be associated with the charged and neutral annihilation processes. In an all orders calculation of all terms in Eq. (8), the scale dependence would completely cancel on the right-hand side, implying that \( C_2^X \) and \( C_0^X \) depend only on the mass scales in the problem and not \( m_{m_e} \) or \( \mu_{m_e} \). Nevertheless, at any finite perturbative order, the scale dependence does not cancel completely, and so a residual dependence is induced in these coefficients. We will exploit this to estimate the uncertainty in our results associated with missing higher order terms.

As we are performing a resummed calculation, the order to which we calculate is defined in terms of the large electroweak logarithms we can resum. In general, the structure of the logarithms can be written schematically as
\[
\ln \frac{C}{C_{\text{tree}}} \sim \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[ a_1^{\text{LL}} \ln^{k+1} + a_2^{\text{NLL}} \ln^k + a_3^{\text{NNLL}} \ln^{k-1} + \ldots \right],
\]

(9)

where, since Sudakov logarithms exponentiate, we have defined the counting in terms of the log of the result.
Furthermore, all corrections are defined with respect to the tree-level result $C_{\text{tree}} \sim O(\alpha_s)$, which is a convention we will follow throughout. With this definition of the counting, to perform the running in Eq. (8) to NLL order, there are three effects that must be accounted for: (1) high-scale matching at tree level; (2) two-loop cusp and one-loop noncusp anomalous dimensions; and (3) the low-scale matching at tree level, together with the rapidity renormalization group at NLL. To extend this to next-to-next-to-leading logarithmic (NNLL) order, all three of these need to be calculated to one order higher. In between these two is the NLL result we present here, which involves determining both the high- and low-scale matching at one loop. In terms of Eq. (9), this amounts to determining the leading $k = 1$ piece of the NNLL result. To the extent that $O(\alpha_s)$ corrections are larger than those at $O(\alpha_s \ln(m_\chi/m_Z^2))$, the NLL result is an improvement over NLL and more important than NNLL.

Before presenting the result of that calculation, however, it is worth emphasizing another advantage gained from the effective theory. In addition to allowing us to resum the Sudakov logarithms, the effective theory also allows this problem to be cleanly separated from the issue of low-velocity Sommerfeld enhancement in the amplitude—in NRDM-SCET, there is a Sommerfeld-Sudakov factorization. At leading power, the relevant SCET Lagrangian contains no interaction with the DM field. On the other hand, NRDM does contain soft modes, which are responsible for running the couplings; however, these modes do not couple the Sommerfeld potential to the hard interaction at leading power. Consequently, matrix elements for the DM factorize from the matrix elements of the states annihilated into. This allows for an all orders factorized formula for the DM annihilation rate in the tree approximation in this theory:

$$M_{\chi^+ \chi^- \rightarrow X} = 4\sqrt{2} m_\chi P_X [s_{\chi} (\Sigma_1^X - \Sigma_2^X) + \sqrt{2} s_{\pm} \Sigma_1^X],$$

$$M_{\chi^\pm \chi^\mp \rightarrow X} = 4m_\chi P_X [s_{\pm} (\Sigma_1^X - \Sigma_2^X) + \sqrt{2} s_{\pm} \Sigma_1^X].$$  

Here, $X$ can be $\gamma\gamma$, $\gamma Z$, or $ZZ$, and $P_{\gamma\gamma} = -\epsilon^{2}_{\alpha \beta} \epsilon_{\alpha \beta \gamma \delta} \bar{h}_{\gamma} n_{\delta}/(2m_\gamma)$, while $P_{\gamma Z} = \cot\theta_W P_{\gamma\gamma}$ and $P_{ZZ} = \cot^2\theta_W P_{\gamma\gamma}$, with $\theta_W$ the MSS Weinberg angle. The key physics in this equation is that the contribution from Sommerfeld enhancement is captured in the terms $S_{ij}$; the two are manifestly factorized and can be calculated independently.

The focus of the present work is to extend the calculation of the Sudakov effects. In terms of the factorized result stated in Eq. (10), this amounts to an improved calculation of $\Sigma_1^X$. Explicitly, from there, we can see that

$$|\Sigma_1^X|^2 = \sigma_{\chi^+ \chi^- \rightarrow X}, \quad |\Sigma_2^X|^2 = \sigma_{\chi^0 \chi^0 \rightarrow X}.$$

where $SE$ denotes a calculation where Sommerfeld enhancement is intentionally left out. To be even more explicit, we can write these Sudakov effects in terms of the Wilson coefficients in Eq. (8). Specifically, we have

$$\Sigma_1^X = C_{1 \text{tree}}^X,$$

$$\Sigma_2^X = C_{0 \text{tree}}^X,$$

where as stated above $C_{1 \text{tree}}^X = -\pi \alpha_s/m_\chi$.

### III. ONE-LOOP CORRECTION

In this section, we discuss the main results of this work, which includes analytic expressions for both the high- and low-scale matching coefficients in the language introduced in the previous section. We start by reporting the result of the calculation of the high-scale Wilson coefficients $C_i$ to one loop. The details are given in Appendix A. In short, this calculation involves enumerating and evaluating the 25 one-loop diagrams that mediate $\chi^+ \chi^- \rightarrow W^+ W^-$ in the unbroken full theory and then matching this result onto the NRDM-SCET$_{EW}$ operators. For example, we evaluate diagrams such as

and provide the analytic expression graph by graph. Here, the solid lines are DM particles, and wavy lines are electroweak gauge bosons in the full theory above the DM scale. In addition, we account for the counterterm contribution, the change in the running of the coupling through the matching, and also ensure that the calculation maintains the Sudakov-Sommerfeld factorization. Combining all of these, we find

$$C_1(\mu) = -\frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{m_\chi} + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)^2}{4m_\chi} \left[ 2 \ln^2 \frac{\mu^2}{4m_\chi} + 2 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{4m_\chi} - \frac{11\pi^2}{6} \right],$$

$$C_2(\mu) = -\frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{2m_\chi} + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)^2}{4m_\chi} \left[ 3 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{4m_\chi} - i \pi \ln \frac{\mu^2}{4m_\chi} - \frac{5\pi^2}{12} \right].$$

Here and throughout this section, $\alpha_s(\mu)$ is the coupling defined below the scale of the DM mass, $m_\chi$. We explain this distinction carefully in Appendix A. For each coefficient in Eq. (13), the first term represents the tree-level contribution. A cross-check on this result is provided in
Appendix B, where we check that the \( \mu \) dependence of this result properly cancels with that of the NLL resummation from Ref. [24] for the \( \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s) \) corrections. The cancellation occurs between our result in Eq. (13) and the running induced by the anomalous dimension stated in Eqs. (6) and (7); this can be seen clearly in Eq. (8) as these are the only two objects that depend on \( \mu_{m_W} \). As the anomalous dimension is independent of the DM spin, the logarithms appearing in our high-scale matching coefficients should also be, and indeed ours match those in the scalar calculation of Ref. [23]. Of course, the finite terms should not be, and are not, the same.

We next state the contribution from the low-scale matching. Unsurprisingly, as this effect accounts for electroweak symmetry breaking effects such as the gauge-boson masses, it is in general dependent upon the identity of the final states. Again, this is a matching calculation and involves evaluating diagrams that appear in SCET_{EW}, but not SCET, and we provide three examples below:

Here, springs with a line through them are collinear gauge bosons with energy \( \sim m_i \) in the DM center-of-mass frame, and springs without the extra line are soft gauge bosons with energy \( \sim m_{W,Z} \). A central difficulty in the calculation is accounting for the effects of electroweak symmetry breaking; see for example Ref. [50] for a recent discussion. In order to simplify this, we make use of the general formalism for electroweak SCET of Refs. [20,43–46], which we have extended to include the case of nonrelativistic external states.\(^2\) We postpone the details until Appendix C. The approach breaks the full low-scale matching into a “soft” and “collinear” component, which are the labels associated with the nondiagonal and diagonal contributions respectively, rather than the effective theory modes that give rise to them. This distinction is discussed further in Appendix C. In our case, \( \hat{D}_s(X) \) in Eq. (8) can be specified through

\[
\exp\left[ \hat{D}_s(X) \right] = [\hat{D}_s(\mu) I] \left[ \exp \sum_{i \in X} D_i^c(\mu) I \right]
\]

where again \( X \) can be \( \gamma \gamma, \gamma Z, \) or \( ZZ; \) \( \hat{D}_s(\mu) \) is the nondiagonal soft contribution and a matrix as it mixes the operators, while \( D_i^c(\mu) \) and \( D_i(\mu) \) are the initial and final state diagonal contributions respectively. Note both \( \hat{D}_s(\mu) \) and the identity matrix \( I \) are \( 2 \times 2 \) matrices. The terms that are not exponentiated in Eq. (14) are only determined to \( \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s) \), whereas the final state diagonal contribution has its logarithmically enhanced contribution resummed to all orders. Using this definition, we find that the components of the soft matrix are (see Appendix C)

\[
\begin{align*}
[\hat{D}_s]_{11} &= 1 + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{2\pi} \left[ \ln \frac{m_W^2}{\mu^2} (1 - 2i\pi) + c^2_W \ln \frac{m_Z^2}{\mu^2} \right], \\
[\hat{D}_s]_{12} &= \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{2\pi} \ln \frac{m_W^2}{\mu^2} (1 - i\pi), \\
[\hat{D}_s]_{21} &= 1 + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{2\pi} \ln \frac{m_W^2}{\mu^2} (2 - 2i\pi), \\
[\hat{D}_s]_{22} &= 1.
\end{align*}
\]

Here and throughout, we use the shorthand \( c_W = \cos \bar{\theta}_W \) and \( s_W = \sin \bar{\theta}_W \). Further, the diagonal contributions can be written as

\[
\begin{align*}
D^c_i(\mu) &= 1 - \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{2\pi} \left[ \ln \frac{m_W^2}{\mu^2} + c^2_W \ln \frac{m_Z^2}{\mu^2} \right], \\
D_i(\mu) &= \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{2\pi} \left[ \ln \frac{m_W^2}{\mu^2} \ln \frac{4m_Z^2}{\mu^2} - 1 \right] - \ln \frac{m_W^2}{\mu^2} + c^2_W \ln \frac{m_Z^2}{\mu^2} + c^i_i,
\end{align*}
\]

where \( i = Z \) or \( \gamma \) and we have

\[
\begin{align*}
c^Z_1 &= 5 - 24s_W^2 - 22s^4_W, \\
c^Z_1 &= 1 - \frac{47}{36} s_W^2,
\end{align*}
\]

and

\[
\begin{align*}
c^Z_2 &= -1.5534 - 3.0892i, \\
c^\gamma_2 &= -0.812092.
\end{align*}
\]

Analytic expressions for these last results are provided in Appendixes C and E, and we give numerical values here as the expressions are lengthy. Note that we have distinguished between factors of \( m_W \) and \( m_Z \) in all logarithms.

The \( \mu \) dependence of the low-scale matching is demonstrated to cancel with that in our high-scale matching result when the running is turned off, the details being shown in Appendix D. We emphasize that this cross-check involves not only the \( \mu \) dependence of the objects in Eq. (14) but also the \( \mu \) dependence of the high-scale coefficients stated in Eq. (13) and further the SM SU(2)_L and U(1)_Y \( \beta \)-functions. The full \( \mu \) cancellation is nontrivial—it requires the interplay between each of these objects. This ultimately

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provides us with confidence in the results as stated. As a further check, our low-scale matching result does not depend on the spin of the DM. As such, we should again be able to compare our result to the scalar case calculated in Ref. [23]. In that work, the authors only considered the $\gamma\gamma$ final state and also neglected the impact of SM fermions. Restricting our calculation to the same assumptions, we confirm that the $\mu$ dependence in our result matches theirs.

Taking our results in combination, we can extend the NLL calculation to NLL\textsuperscript{0}. Of course, we cannot show full NNLL results in the absence of the higher order anomalous dimension calculation; nevertheless, the results we state here determine the cross section with perturbative uncertainties on the Sudakov effects reduced to the percent level. At $O(\alpha^2)$, our calculation accounts\textsuperscript{3} for all terms of the form $\alpha^2_2 \ln^1(\mu_{m_\chi}/\mu_2^2)$, $\alpha^2_2 \ln^3(\mu_{m_\chi}/\mu_2^2)$, and $\alpha^2_2 \ln^2(\mu_{m_\chi}/\mu_2^2)$.

The first perturbative term we are missing at this order is $\alpha^2_2 \ln(\mu_{m_\chi}/\mu_2^2)$. Taking $\mu_Z = m_Z$ and $m_\chi$ anywhere from $m_Z$

\textsuperscript{3}Again, note that all counting here is relative to the lowest order contribution, which occurs at $C^{tree} \sim O(\alpha_3)$. As such, the absolute order of the terms in this sentence is $O(\alpha_3^2)$.  

![FIG. 1](image1.png) Here, we show our NLL\textsuperscript{0} result for the electroweak corrections to the charged (left) and neutral (right) DM annihilations obtained by adding the one-loop high- and low-scale corrections to the NLL result. The result is in good agreement with the known NLL calculation, but with smaller uncertainty since the scale uncertainties have been reduced. The bands here are derived by varying the high scale between $m_\chi$ and $4m_\chi$.

![FIG. 2](image2.png) As for Fig. 1, but showing a variation in the low-scale matching between $m_Z/2$ and $2m_Z$, rather than a variation of the high-scale matching. As can be seen, the NLL\textsuperscript{0} contribution has reduced the low-scale dependence in both the charged and neutral DM annihilation cases and is again consistent with the NLL result.

![FIG. 3](image3.png) The impact of the NLL\textsuperscript{0} result on the full cross section, which includes the Sommerfeld enhancement (SE), is shown to be consistent with the lower order results, suggesting the electroweak corrections are under control. Also shown is the rate for the semi-inclusive process $\gamma + X$ calculated to LL\textsuperscript{0} in Ref. [26]. In addition on this plot, we show current bounds from H.E.S.S. and projected ones from CTA, determined assuming 5 h of observation time. See the text for details.
to 20 TeV, we estimate the absence of these terms induces an uncertainty that is less than 1%, demonstrating the claimed accuracy.

To combine the various results stated above into the cross section, we take the factorized results in Eq. (10) and note that as the higher order Wilson coefficients have nothing to do with the Sommerfeld enhancement their contribution is included in the $\Sigma$ terms as given explicitly in Eq. (12). We know that at tree level $s_{00} = s_{00}^\chi = 1$ and $s_{00} = s_{00}^\gamma = 0$, implying that when the Sommerfeld enhancement can be ignored we can associate $|\Sigma_1|^2$ with the Sudakov contribution to $\chi^+\chi^-$ annihilation and $|\Sigma_1 - \Sigma_2|^2$ with $\chi^0\chi^0$.

For this reason, in Figs. 1 and 2, we show the contributions to $|\Sigma_1|^2$ and $|\Sigma_1 - \Sigma_2|^2$ for leading logarithmic (LL) order, NLL, and NLL'. In both cases, we see the addition of the one-loop corrections is completely consistent with the NLL results, suggesting that this approach has the Sudakov logarithms under control. In these plots, we take a central value of $\mu_{m_\chi} = 2m_\chi$ and $\mu_Z = m_Z$. In Fig. 1, the bands are derived from varying the high-scale matching between $m_\chi$ and $4m_\chi$. Recall that if we were able to calculate these quantities to all orders they would be independent of $\mu$, and so varying these scales estimates the impact of missing higher order terms. For the $|\Sigma_1|^2$ NLL result, taking $\mu_{m_\chi} = 2m_\chi$ is a minimum in the range varied over, so we symmetrize the uncertainties in order to more conservatively estimate the range of uncertainty. Similarly, in Fig. 2, we show the equivalent plot, but here the bands are derived by varying the low-scale $\mu_Z$ from $m_Z/2$ to $2m_Z$. Improving on the high- and low-scale matching, as we have done here, should lead to a reduction in the scale uncertainty. In all four cases shown, this is clearly visible, and furthermore all results are still consistent with the NLL result within the uncertainty bands.

We can also take this result and determine the impact on the full DM annihilation cross section into line photons from $\gamma\gamma$ and $\gamma Z$ in this model, as we show in Fig. 3. We take the uncertainty on our final result to include the high- and low-scale variations added in quadrature. For H.E.S.S. limits, we use Ref. [2], while for the CTA projection, we assume 5 h of observation time and use Refs. [37,51]. For both, we assume a Navarro-Frenk-White profile with a local DM density of 0.4 GeV/cm$^3$. We again see that our partial NLL' results are consistent with the NLL conclusions. In this figure, we also include the LL' result for the semi-inclusive process $\gamma + X$ taken from Fig. 7 of Ref. [26], denoted by (Baumgart and Vaidya). The semi-inclusive result is above our line photon result, except at low DM masses. Note that this work does not show scale uncertainties, so the precise difference is hard to quantify numerically.

### IV. COMPARISON TO EARLIER WORK

In addition to using our results from the previous section in conjunction with the running due to the anomalous dimension, we can also consider the case where we take our one-loop result in isolation. In this sense, we should be able to reproduce the initial problem of large logarithms seen by Hryczuk and Iengo’s. We show this in Fig. 4, compared to the LL and NLL results. For $\Sigma_0$, our one-loop result is consistent with that from NLLs, indicating the importance of the $\alpha_2 \ln^2(\mu_{m_\chi}/\mu_Z)$ and $\alpha_2 \ln(\mu_{m_\chi}/\mu_Z^2)$ corrections to $C_{\text{tree}}$. For $\Sigma_1 - \Sigma_2$, which starts at NLL, our one-loop result is only consistent with the NLL expression in the small $m_\chi$ region.

For the $|\Sigma_1|^2$ case, we also show on that plot the equivalent curve for Hryczuk and Iengo’s as extracted from Fig. 11 of their paper. From here, it is clear that the qualitative shape of our results agrees with theirs but that there is disagreement in the normalization. This disagreement is already clear in Fig. 3 and is more evident in Fig. 4. In Fig. 5, we analyze this difference in more detail. In the left panel, we show the difference between their result and ours, showing our calculation with and without the low-scale matching included. Given that the low-scale matching accounts for the electroweak masses, which were included in the work by Hryczuk and Iengo’s, we would expect including it.

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4A digitized version of our cross section is available with the arXiv submission or upon request.
to improve the agreement. This is seen, but it does not substantially relieve the tension.

To further explore the difference, in the right panel of Fig. 5, we take our results and shift them down by a constant: 0.175 for the high only result and 0.137 for the high and low combination. Such a constant offset could originate from a difference in \( m_\chi \)-independent terms between our result and that of Hryczuk and Iengo’s. Unfortunately, however, a difference in such terms could originate from almost any of the graphs contributing to the result. Comparing our analytic expressions to the numerical results of Hryczuk and Iengo’s, we have been unable to pinpoint the exact location of the disagreement, although it is clear that we agree on the \( m_\chi \) dependence of the higher order corrections.

Despite the discrepancy between our result and that of Hryczuk and Iengo’s, we emphasize that we have confidence in our result as stated. This confidence is derived from the nontrivial cross-checks we have performed on our result. In detail, these are:

(i) the cancellation in the \( \mathcal{O}(\alpha_2) \) corrections of the \( \mu_{m_\chi} \) dependence in our high-scale matching coefficients, stated in Eq. (13), with the high-scale dependence entering from the anomalous dimension, as stated in Eqs. (6) and (7); this cancellation is demonstrated in Appendix B.

(ii) in the absence of running, the cancellation in the \( \mathcal{O}(\alpha_2) \) corrections of the \( \mu \) dependence between our high- and low-scale results, where the latter is stated in Eqs. (14), (15), (16), (17), and (18); this cancellation also depends on the SM SU(2)\(_L\) and U(1)\(_Y\) \( \beta \)-functions and is shown in Appendix D.

(iii) confirmation that the \( \mu \) dependence in our low-scale result matches that in Ref. [23], when we eliminate parts of our calculation in order to make the same assumptions used in that work.

(iv) the form of the dominant \( \mu \)-independent terms in the low-scale matching being in agreement with the results of Refs. [20,43–46], as discussed in Appendix C.

(v) confirmation that the framework used to calculate the low-scale matching for our nonrelativistic initial state kinematics reproduces the results of Refs. [20,43–46] when we instead consider massless initial states as used in those references.

V. CONCLUSION

In this work, we provide analytic expressions for the full one-loop corrections to heavy wino dark matter annihilation, allowing the systematic resummation of electroweak Sudakov logarithms to NLL\(_0\) for the line cross section. We have compared our result to earlier numerical calculations of such effects, finding results similar in behavior but quantitatively different. Our result is stated in a manner that can be straightforwardly extended to higher order, with our result already reducing the perturbative uncertainty from Sudakov effects on this process to \( \mathcal{O}(1\%) \).

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APPENDIX A: ONE-LOOP CALCULATION OF \( \chi^a\chi^b \rightarrow W^cW^d \) IN THE FULL THEORY

In this Appendix, we outline the details of the high-scale matching calculation, which gives rise to the Wilson coefficients stated in Eq. (13). These coefficients are...
determined solely by the UV physics, allowing us to simplify the calculation by working in the unbroken theory with $m_W = m_Z = 0$. Combining this with the heavy Majorana fermion DM being nonrelativistic, there are only two possible Dirac structures that can appear in the result, \[ \mathcal{M}_A = e_i^p(p_3)\epsilon_i(p_4)e^{\mu
u}p_3\delta(p_2)p_5\gamma_5 u(p_1), \]
\[ \mathcal{M}_B = e_i^p(p_3)\epsilon_i(p_4)\gamma^{\mu
u}p_2\gamma_5 u(p_1), \] (A1)
where $p_1$ and $p_2$ are the momenta of the incoming fermions, while $p_3$ and $p_4$ correspond to the outgoing bosons. The symmetry properties of these structures under the interchange of initial and final state particles allow us to write our full amplitude as
\[ \mathcal{M}_{abcd} = \frac{4\pi\alpha_s}{m^2} \left\{ (B_1\delta_{ab}\delta_{cd} + B_2(\delta_{ac}\delta_{bd} + \delta_{ad}\delta_{bc}))\mathcal{M}_A 
+ B_3(\delta_{ac}\delta_{bd} - \delta_{ad}\delta_{bc})\mathcal{M}_B \right\}. \] (A2)

The above equation serves to define the Wilson coefficients $B_r$ in a convenient form. These coefficients are related to the EFT coefficients of the operators defined in Eqs. (2) and (4) via
\[ C_1 = (-\pi\alpha_s/m_\chi)B_1, \quad C_2 = (-2\pi\alpha_s/m_\chi)B_2. \] (A3)

For NLL accuracy, we only need the tree-level value of these coefficients, which receive a contribution from $s$-, $t$-, and $u$-channel type graphs and were calculated in Refs. [24]. For completeness, we state their values here:
\[ B_1^{(0)} = 1, \quad B_2^{(0)} = -\frac{1}{2}, \quad B_3^{(0)} = 0. \] (A4)

Combining these with Eq. (A3), we see that the first terms in Eq. (13) are indeed the tree-level contributions as claimed.

The operator associated with $B_3$ was not discussed in the earlier work of Ref. [24] as it cannot contribute to the high-scale matching calculation at any order, as we will now argue. First note that the $B_3$ operator is skew under the interchange $a \leftrightarrow b$. Due to the mass splitting between the neutral and charged states, present-day annihilation is initiated purely by $\chi^0\chi^0 = \chi^2\chi^2$, a symmetric state that cannot overlap with $B_3$. One may worry that exchange of one or more weak bosons between the initial states—the hallmark of the Sommerfeld enhancement—may nullify this argument. But it can be checked that if the initial states of such an exchange have identical gauge indices then so will the final states. As such, $B_3$ is not relevant for calculating high-scale matching.\(^5\)

\(^5\)Diagrams where a soft gauge boson is exchanged between an initial and final state particle would in principle allow $B_3$ to contribute. Such a contribution would, however, be to the low-scale matching, which we discuss in Appendix C. As discussed there, $B_3$ contributions to present-day DM annihilation are power suppressed and therefore do not contribute at any order in the leading power effective theory.

In spite of this, there are several reasons to calculate $B_3$ here. From a practical point of view, $B_3$ gives us an additional handle on the consistency of our result, which we check in Appendix B. Given that many graphs that generate $B_1$ and $B_2$ also contribute to $B_3$, the consistency of $B_3$ provides greater confidence in the results for the operators we are interested in. Further, from a physics point of view, although $B_3$ is not relevant for high-scale matching when considering present-day indirect detection experiments, it could be relevant for calculating the annihilation rate in the early Universe, where all states in the DM triplet were present, to the extent that the nonrelativistic approximation is still relevant. For these reasons, we state it in case it is of interest for future work, such as expanding on calculations of the relic density at one loop (see for example Refs. [53–55]).

1. Determining matching coefficients

Let us briefly review how matching coefficients are calculated at one loop. To begin with, we can write the general structure of the UV and IR divergences of the bare one-loop result for annihilation diagrams in the full theory as
\[ \mathcal{M}_{\text{bare}} = \frac{K}{c_{\text{IR}}} + \frac{L}{c_{\text{IR}}} + M c_{\text{UV}} + N \left( \frac{1}{c_{\text{UV}}} - 1 \right) + C, \] (A5)
where $N$ is the coefficient associated with the various scaleless integrals and $C$ is the finite contribution. Now, the full theory is a renormalizable gauge theory, so we know the additional counterterm and wave function renormalization contributions must be of the form
\[ \delta^{\text{full}} = -\frac{M + N}{c_{\text{UV}}} + D + \frac{E}{c_{\text{IR}}} + \frac{F}{c_{\text{IR}}}, \] (A6)
where the values of $D$, $E$, and $F$ are scheme dependent. Nonetheless, when calculating matching coefficients, it is easiest to work in the on-shell scheme for the wave function renormalization factors, so, below, to denote this, we add an “os” subscript to $D$, $E$, and $F$. The reason this scheme is the most straightforward is that in any other scheme when we map our Feynman amplitude calculation for $\mathcal{M}_{\text{full}}$ onto the $S$-matrix elements we want via the Lehmann-Symanzik-Zimmermann (LSZ) reduction there will be nontrivial residues corresponding to the external particles. When using the on-shell scheme for the wave function renormalization factors; however, these residues are just unity, which simplifies the calculation as we can then ignore them. We emphasize that, whatever scheme one uses, the final result for the Wilson coefficients in $\overline{\text{MS}}$ will be the same.

With this in mind, if we then combine $\delta^{\text{full}}$ with the bare results, we obtain a UV finite answer:
In our calculation, we will use dimensional regularization to regulate both UV and IR divergences, which effectively sets $\epsilon_{\text{UV}} = \epsilon_{\text{IR}}$, causing all scaleless integrals to vanish. Naively, this seems to change the above argument, but as long as we still use the correct counterterm in Eq. (A6), we find

$$M_{\text{ren}}^{\text{full}} = \frac{K + E_{\text{os}}}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}} + \frac{L - N + F_{\text{os}}}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}} + C + D_{\text{os}}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (A7)

Comparing this with Eq. (A7), we see that if we interpret all of the divergences in the final result as IR then this method is equivalent to carefully distinguishing $\epsilon_{\text{UV}}$ and $\epsilon_{\text{IR}}$ throughout.

In the EFT, with the above choice of zero masses and working on shell with dimensional regularization, all graphs are scaleless. At one loop, they have the general form

$$M_{\text{EFT}}^{\text{bare}} = O\left(\frac{1}{\epsilon_{\text{UV}}} - \frac{1}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}}\right) + P \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon_{\text{UV}}} - \frac{1}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}}\right).$$  \hspace{1cm} (A9)

Importantly, if we have the correct EFT description of the full theory, then the two theories must have the same IR divergences. Comparing Eq. (A9) to Eq. (A7), we see this requires $O = -K - E_{\text{os}}$ and $P = N - L - F_{\text{os}}$. The EFT is again a renormalizable theory, so we can cancel the UV divergences using $\delta_{\text{EFT}} = (K + E_{\text{os}})^{-1} \epsilon_{\text{UV}}^2 + (L + F_{\text{os}} - N) \epsilon_{\text{UV}}^{-1}$. Note that, as all EFT graphs are scaleless, there are no finite contributions that could be absorbed into the counterterm, so in any scheme, there is no finite correction to $\delta_{\text{EFT}}$. Using this counterterm, we conclude

$$M_{\text{ren}}^{\text{EFT}} = \frac{K + E_{\text{os}}}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}} + \frac{L - N + F_{\text{os}}}{\epsilon_{\text{IR}}}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (A10)

Again, note that for an argument similar to that in the full theory, if we had set $\epsilon_{\text{UV}} = \epsilon_{\text{IR}}$ at the outset, we would arrive at the same result as long as we still used the correct counterterm.

The matching coefficient is then obtained from subtracting the renormalized EFT from the renormalized full-theory result, so taking the appropriate results above, we conclude

$$M_{\text{ren}}^{\text{full}} - M_{\text{ren}}^{\text{EFT}} = C + D_{\text{os}}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (A11)

Comparing this with Eq. (A7), we see that, provided we have the correct EFT, the matching coefficient is just the finite contribution to the renormalized full-theory amplitude in the on-shell scheme. Even though this result makes an explicit reference to a scheme in $D_{\text{on-shell}}$, it is in fact scheme independent. The reason for this is that if we worked in a different scheme, although $D$ would change, we would also have to account for the now nontrivial external particle residues that enter via LSZ. Their contribution is what ensures Eq. (A11) is scheme independent.

### 2. Results of the calculation

As outlined above, in order to obtain the matching coefficients, we need the finite contribution to the renormalized full-theory amplitude. Now, to compute this in the particular theory we consider in this paper, we need to calculate the 25 diagrams that contribute to the one-loop correction to $\chi^a \chi^b \rightarrow W^c W^d$. The diagrams are identical to those considered in Ref. [57], where they defined a numbering scheme for the diagrams, grouping them by topology and labeling them as $T_i$ for various $i$. We follow that numbering scheme here but cannot use their results, as they considered massless initial state fermions while ours are massive and nonrelativistic. In general, we calculate the diagrams using dimensional regularization with $d = 4 - 2\epsilon$ to regulate the UV and IR and work in ’t Hooft-Feynman gauge. Loop integrals are determined using Passarino-Veltman reduction [58], and we further make use of the results in Refs. [59–62] as well as FeynCalc [63,64] and Package-X [65].

In the EFT description of the full theory outlined in Sec. II, the factorization of the matrix elements ensured a separation between the Sommerfeld and Sudakov contributions. Yet for the full theory, no clear separation exists, and there will be graphs that contribute to both effects—in particular, the graph $T_{1c}$ considered below. The purpose of the Wilson coefficients we are calculating here is to provide corrections to the Sudakov contribution—we do not want to spoil the EFT distinction by including Sommerfeld effects in these coefficients. In order to cleanly separate the contributions, we take the relative velocity of our nonrelativistic initial states to be zero. This ensures that any contributions of the form $1/v$, characteristic of Sommerfeld enhancement, become power divergences and therefore vanish in dimensional regularization. This is different to the treatment by Hryczuk and Iengo’s, where they calculated the diagram without sending $v \rightarrow 0$ and subtracted the Sommerfeld contribution by hand. Our treatment is known from studies in non-relativistic quantum chromodynamics [66–69] (for example) to give the same result as calculating at finite $v$ and subtracting the NRDM-SCET$_{EW}$ Sommerfeld graphs.

In our calculation, the DM is a Majorana fermion. It turns out that for almost all the graphs below the result is identical regardless of whether we think of the fermion as Majorana or Dirac—a result that is also true at tree level.

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6One may worry there could also be scaleless integrals of the form $(\epsilon_{\text{UV}} - \epsilon_{\text{IR}})^2$, but the use of the zero-bin subtraction [56] ensures such contributions cannot appear.
The additional symmetry factors in the Majorana case are exactly cancelled by the factors of 1/2 entering from the Majorana Lagrangian. The exceptions to this are for graphs containing a closed loop of fermions, specifically $T_{3d}$ and $T_{6d}$ below, as well as closed fermion loop contributions to the counterterms.

Throughout, we define $v = \frac{\ln \mu}{2m_\chi}$. But in the center-of-momentum frame, if we take momenta appearing in the integrals to be linearly independent, these divergences is that Passarino-Veltman assumes the divergences that must be regulated. The origin of Passarino-Veltman reduction, there are additional spurious divergences. The procedure introduces no contribution to the Sommerfeld enhancement in the full theory. Nevertheless, as we take $v = 0$ at the outset, the contribution here is purely to the Sudakov terms.

\[ T_{3a} \]

The result for this graph and its cross term is

\[
B_1^{[1a]} = \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \left[ -\frac{2}{e^2} - \frac{1}{e} (4L + 2i\pi + 2) - 4L^2 - 4L - 4i\pi L - 4 + \frac{7\pi^2}{6} + 4\ln 2 \right].
\]

\[
B_2^{[1a]} = \frac{1}{2} B_1^{[1a]},
\]

\[
B_3^{[1a]} = \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{4e^2} + \frac{1}{4e} (2L - 3i\pi - 2) + \frac{1}{2} L^2 - L - \frac{3}{2} i\pi L + \frac{17\pi^2}{48} - \frac{1}{6} (2 + 7i\pi - 8\ln 2) \right]. \tag{A12}
\]

In calculating this graph in the nonrelativistic limit via Passarino-Veltman reduction, there are additional spurious divergences that must be regulated. The origin of these divergences is that Passarino-Veltman assumes the momenta appearing in the integrals to be linearly independent. But in the center-of-momentum frame, if we take $v = 0$, then $p_1$ and $p_2$ are identical, and this assumption breaks down, leading to the divergences of the form $(s - 4m_e^2)^{-1}$, where $s = (p_1 + p_2)^2$. A simple way to regulate them is to give the initial states a small relative velocity. This does not lead to a violation of our separation of Sommerfeld and Sudakov effects as this graph does not contribute to the Sommerfeld enhancement. As such, this procedure introduces no $1/v$ contributions to the final result, and the regulator can be safely removed at the end. This is the only diagram where this issue appears—if it occurred in a graph that did contribute to the Sommerfeld effect, we would need to use a different regulator or explicitly subtract the corresponding EFT graph at finite $v$.

\[ T_{1d} \]

The combination of this graph and its cross term is

\[
B_1^{[1c]} = \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{2}{e^2} - 4 + 4L + 4\ln 2 \right],
\]

\[
B_2^{[1c]} = \frac{1}{2} B_1^{[1c]},
\]

\[
B_3^{[1c]} = \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{e^2} - 2 + 2L + \frac{\pi^2}{4} - 2\ln 2 \right]. \tag{A14}
\]

Formally, this graph also gives a contribution to the Sommerfeld enhancement in the full theory. Nevertheless, as we take $v = 0$ at the outset, the contribution here is purely to the Sudakov terms.

\[ T_{1e} \]

The contribution from this diagram vanishes in the nonrelativistic limit, i.e.

\[
B_1^{[1d]} = B_2^{[1d]} = B_3^{[1d]} = 0. \tag{A15}
\]

\[ T_{2a} \]

For the case of ghosts running in the loop of the above graph, we have its contribution and the cross term giving
For a scalar Higgs in the loop, the graph and its cross term contribute

\[ B_1^{[2b]} = B_2^{[2b]} = 0, \]
\[ B_3^{[2b]} = \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{12e} + \frac{2L + i\pi}{12} + \frac{11}{36} \right]. \]  
(A16)

For a scalar Higgs in the loop, the graph and its cross term contribute

\[ B_1^{[2b]} = B_2^{[2b]} = 0, \]
\[ B_3^{[2b]} = \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{12e} + \frac{2L + i\pi}{12} + \frac{11}{36} \right]. \]  
(A17)

There is no crossed graph associated with the graph above as the gauge bosons running in the loop are real fields. As such, taking just this graph gives

\[ B_1^{[2c]} = B_2^{[2c]} = 0, \]
\[ B_3^{[2c]} = \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{3}{4e^2} + \frac{1}{e} \left( \frac{3}{4} (2L + i\pi) + \frac{17}{8} \right) + \frac{3}{8} (2L + i\pi)^2 \right. \\
\left. + \frac{17}{8} (2L + i\pi) + \frac{95}{24} - \frac{\pi^2}{16} \right]. \]  
(A18)

There are two types of fermions that can run in the loop: the Majorana triplet fermions that make up our DM or left-handed SM doublets. As with the gauge bosons, these SM fermions are taken to be massless, and for generality we say there are \( n_D \) of them.\(^7\) For the SM doublets, there is a crossed graph, while for the Majorana DM field, there is not, so

\[ B_1^{[2d]} = B_2^{[2d]} = 0, \]
\[ B_3^{[2d]} = \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ -\left( \frac{2}{3e} + \frac{4}{3L + 4\ln 2 - \frac{5}{9} + \frac{\pi^2}{4} \right) \right. \\
\left. - n_D \left( \frac{1}{6e} + \frac{1}{6} (2L + i\pi) + \frac{7}{36} \right) \right]. \]  
(A19)

If the DM had been a Dirac field instead, there would have been a crossed graph, and the result would have been modified such that the first line of \( B_3^{[2d]} \) would have been multiplied by 2.

The four graphs shown above do not contribute to our one-loop result; the graphs on the top row vanish at leading order for nonrelativistic initial states, while the loops on the second line are both scaleless and therefore are identically zero in dimensional regularization. As such, we have

\[ B_1^{[2e-f]} = B_2^{[2e-f]} = B_3^{[2e-f]} = 0. \]  
(A20)

\( T_{3a} \) and \( T_{4a} \)

The two graphs shown above have identical amplitudes. For each graph independently, the sum of it and its crossed graph is

\( \text{For the SM well above the electroweak scale, } n_D = 12. \) In detail, for each generation, there are four doublets: the lepton doublet and, due to color, three quark doublets. As such, for three generations, we have 12 left-handed SM doublets.
As for $T_{5a}$, the existence of a crossed graph depends on the nature of the DM. Regardless, again, the result is the same if we take it to be Dirac or Majorana, which is

$$
B_1^{[5b]} = B_2^{[5b]} = 0,
B_3^{[5b]} = \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{3}{2} + 3L + 3 \ln 2 - 2 \right].
$$  \hfill (A24)

For a gauge boson in the loop, we have

$$
B_1^{[6a]} = B_2^{[6a]} = 0,
B_3^{[6a]} = \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ -\frac{19}{12} \frac{1}{6} - \frac{2}{9} - \frac{19}{12} \frac{1}{12} i\pi \right].
$$  \hfill (A25)

Note that this graph and the remaining $T_6$ type topologies have no crossed graphs.

In the case of a ghost loop, we have

$$
B_1^{[6b]} = B_2^{[6b]} = 0,
B_3^{[6b]} = \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ -\frac{1}{12} \frac{1}{6} - \frac{2}{9} - \frac{1}{12} i\pi \right].
$$  \hfill (A26)

For a scalar Higgs, we have an identical contribution to $T_{6b}$:

$$
B_1^{[6c]} = B_2^{[6c]} = 0,
B_3^{[6c]} = \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ -\frac{1}{12} \frac{1}{6} - \frac{2}{9} - \frac{1}{12} i\pi \right].
$$  \hfill (A27)
As for $T_{2d}$, the fermion in the loop could again be either DM or SM. Allowing there to be $n_D$ left-handed SM doublets, we have

$$B_{\frac{1}{2}}^{6d}/C_{138}^1 = B_{\frac{1}{2}}^{6d}/C_{138}^2 = 0,$$

$$B_{\frac{1}{2}}^{6d}/C_{138}^3 = \alpha_2 \frac{4}{4\pi} \left( \frac{2}{3\epsilon} + \frac{4}{3} L + \frac{4}{3} \ln 2 + \frac{16}{9} \right) + n_D \left( \frac{1}{6\epsilon} + \frac{1}{3} L + \frac{5}{18} + \frac{1}{6} \pi \right).$$

(A28)

Here, there is a symmetry factor of $1/2$ for the loop in the case of the Majorana DM field. If the DM were a Dirac fermion instead, the first line of $B_{\frac{1}{2}}^{6d}/C_{138}^3$ would get multiplied by 2 as this symmetry factor would not be present.

Both of these integrals are scaleless and vanish in dimensional regularization, so

$$B_{1}^{[6e-f]} = B_{2}^{[6e-f]} = B_{3}^{[6e-f]} = 0.$$  

(A29)

For the final graph, we again have a crossed contribution, and combining the two gives

$$B_{1}^{[7]} = \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ -\frac{8}{\epsilon} - 16L - 12 \right],$$

$$B_{2}^{[7]} = -\frac{1}{2} B_{1}^{[7]},$$

$$B_{3}^{[7]} = \frac{1}{2} B_{1}^{[7]}.$$  

(A30)

The graph on the left corresponds to the internal wave function and mass renormalization of the DM—renormalization factors denoted as $Z_\chi$ and $Z_m$—while the remaining two graphs account for the renormalization of the DM and electroweak gauge-boson interaction vertex $g_2 \bar{\chi} W_\chi$—here $Z_1$ (which includes coupling and external line wave function renormalization). Now, if we calculate the above three graphs, we find a contribution proportional to the tree-level amplitude $M_{\text{tree}}$, as well as a term that would contribute to $B_3$. The contribution to $B_3$ is cancelled by the additional $s$-channel type counterterm graphs not drawn, so the full counterterm contribution leaves only

$$(2\delta_1 - \delta_\chi - \delta_m)M_{\text{tree}},$$  

(A31)

where we have used $Z_i = 1 + \delta_i$.

Next, when determining the $\delta_i$, we need to pick a scheme. As explained above, when calculating matching coefficients, it is easiest to work in the on-shell scheme for wave function renormalization to ensure we do not have to worry about residues from the LSZ reduction. The meaning of the on-shell values of $\delta_\chi$ and $\delta_m$ is clear, whereas for $\delta_1$, we must write this out more explicitly. By definition, we know $\delta_1 = \delta_{g_2} + \frac{1}{2} \delta_W + \delta_\chi$, where $\delta_{g_2}$ and $\delta_W$ are the counterterms for the coupling and gauge-boson wave functions respectively. For the gauge-boson wave function, we use the on-shell scheme as usual. For the coupling counterterm, however, we define it in the $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme. Since our full theory is defined with the DM as a propagating degree of freedom, this coupling is defined above the $m_\chi$. In the EFT, the DM is integrated out, so the appropriate coupling for the matching is one defined below $m_\chi$. We put this issue aside for now and return to it in the next section.

The above choices then define our scheme for $\delta_1$ in a manner that ensures all residues are still 1. With this scheme, we can then calculate the relevant counterterms and find
\[ \delta_x = -\frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left( \frac{2}{\epsilon_{\text{UV}}} + 4L + 4 \ln 2 + 4 \right), \]
\[ \delta_m = -\frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left( \frac{6}{\epsilon_{\text{UV}}} + 12L + 12 \ln 2 + 8 \right), \]
\[ \delta_W = -\frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{2n_D - 3}{6\epsilon_{\text{UV}}} + \frac{19 - 2n_f}{6\epsilon_{\text{IR}}} + \frac{16}{3} L + \frac{16}{3} \ln 2 \right], \]
\[ \delta_B = -\frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{27 - 2n_D}{12\epsilon_{\text{UV}}} \right], \]
\[ \delta_1 = -\frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{4}{\epsilon_{\text{UV}}} + \frac{19 - 2n_D}{12\epsilon_{\text{IR}}} + \frac{20}{3} L + \frac{20}{3} \ln 2 + 4 \right]. \]
\[(\text{A32})\]

where \(n_D\) is again the number of left-handed SM doublets. Recall that in determining the counterterms we cannot neglect scaleless integrals as we did for the main calculation, so their contribution has been included here, and we explicitly distinguish \(\epsilon_{\text{UV}}\) from \(\epsilon_{\text{IR}}\). Substituting these results into Eq. (A31), we find the crossed contribution is

\[ B_1^{(\text{CT})} = \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{2n_D - 19}{6\epsilon_{\text{IR}}} - \frac{8}{3} L + \frac{8}{3} \ln 2 + 4 \right], \]
\[ B_2^{(\text{CT})} = \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{19 - 2n_D}{12\epsilon_{\text{IR}}} - \frac{8}{6} L - \frac{8}{6} \ln 2 - 2 \right], \]
\[ B_3^{(\text{CT})} = 0. \]
\[(\text{A33})\]

interestingly, the counterterm contribution is UV finite. This implies that the sum of all one-loop graphs before adding in counterterms must be UV finite. Given that we used dimensional regularization to regulate both UV and IR divergences, this cannot be immediately read off from our results, but going back to the integrals and keeping track of the UV divergences, we confirmed that the sum is indeed UV finite.

Note that if our DM field had instead been a Dirac fermion there would be several modifications to the above. First, the \(L\) and \(\ln 2\) dependence in \(\delta_W\) and \(\delta_1\) would be modified, while the \(\epsilon_{\text{UV}}\) dependence in \(\delta_W\) and \(\delta_1\) would also change. In the combination stated in Eq. (A33), this only changes the \(L\) and \(\ln 2\) dependence, but in a way that is exactly cancelled when we account for the scale of the coupling in the next section.

4. Scale of the coupling

Throughout the above calculation, we have treated the DM as a propagating degree of freedom and included its effects in loop diagrams. This implies that the coupling used so far above in this Appendix implicitly depends on \(n_D + 1\) flavors—\(n_D\) left-handed SM doublets and one Majorana DM fermion—i.e. we have used \(\alpha_2 = \alpha_2^{(n_D+1)}(\mu)\). In the EFT, however, the DM is no longer a propagating field, and so the appropriate coupling is \(\alpha_2^{(n_D)}(\mu)\). At order \(\alpha_2\) to which we are working at one loop, the distinction will lead to a finite contribution because of the matching at the scale \(\mu = m_\chi\), which we calculate in this section.

Let us start by reviewing the standard treatment of a running coupling in the \(\overline{\text{MS}}\) scheme. This running is captured by the \(\beta\)-function, which is defined by \(\beta(\alpha_2) = \mu \frac{d\alpha_2}{d\mu}\), where \(\alpha_2\) is the renormalized coupling; the bare coupling is independent of \(\mu\). The \(\beta\)-function can be written as

\[ \beta(\alpha_2) = -2\epsilon\alpha_2 - \frac{b_0}{\alpha_2^2} + \ldots, \]
\[(\text{A34})\]

where we have expanded it to the order needed for this threshold matching analysis. At this order, the LL solution for the running of the coupling is

\[ \alpha_2(\mu) = \frac{\alpha_2(\mu_0)}{1 + \alpha_2(\mu_0) \frac{b_0}{2\pi} \ln \frac{\mu}{\mu_0}}. \]
\[(\text{A35})\]

In order to determine the threshold matching correction at the one-loop order at which we are working, it suffices to simply demand that the coupling is continuous at the scale \(m_\chi\), and this is captured by a difference in \(b_0\). For our problem, we define \(b_0^{(n_D+1)}\) to be the value above \(m_\chi\) and \(b_0^{(n_D)}\) the value below. Then, using Eq. (A35) to define \(\alpha_2^{(n_D+1)}(\mu)\) and \(\alpha_2^{(n_D)}(\mu)\), it suffices to demand that they match at a scale \(m_\chi\), which gives

\[ \alpha_2^{(n_D+1)}(\mu) = \alpha_2^{(n_D)}(\mu) \left[ 1 + \frac{\alpha_2^{(n_D)}(\mu)}{2\pi} \frac{b_0^{(n_D+1)}}{b_0^{(n_D)}} \ln \frac{\mu}{m_\chi} \right]. \]
\[(\text{A36})\]

So, now, we just need to determine \(b_0^{(n_D+1)} - b_0^{(n_D)}\). In general, for a theory containing just gauge bosons, Weyl fermions (WF), Majorana fermions (MF), and charged scalars (CS), we can write

\[ b_0 = \frac{11}{3} C_A - \frac{3}{2} \sum_{i \in \text{WF}} C(R_i) - \frac{2}{3} \sum_{i \in \text{MF}} C(R_i) - \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i \in \text{CS}} C(R_i). \]
\[(\text{A37})\]

Our calculation has all four of these ingredients: electroweak gauge bosons, the left-handed SM fermions (which are Weyl because only one chirality couples to the gauge bosons), the Majorana DM fermion, and the Higgs. Then, using \(C_A = 2\), \(C(R) = 1/2\) for the SM left-handed fermions and the Higgs and \(C(R) = 2\) for the adjoint wino, we conclude
\[ b_0^{(n_D)} = \frac{43 - 2n_D}{6}, \]
\[ b_0^{(n_D+1)} = \frac{35 - 2n_D}{6}. \]  
(A38)

From this, Eq. (A36) tells us that, to the order in which we are working,
\[ a_2^{(n_D+1)}(\mu) = a_2^{(n_D)}(\mu) \left[ 1 - \frac{a_2^{(n_D)}(\mu)}{4\pi} \left( \frac{8}{3}L + \frac{8}{3}\ln 2 \right) \right]. \]  
(A39)

Now, as there is only a difference between the couplings at next to leading order, this only corrects the tree-level result stated in Eq. (A4). As such, the impact of changing to the coupling defined below \( m_\nu \), which is relevant for the matching, is to add the following contribution,

\[ B_1^{(1)} = \frac{a_2}{4\pi} \left[ -\frac{4}{e^2} - \frac{48L + 12i\pi + 31 - 2n_D}{6e} - 8L^2 - 4L - 4i\pi L - 8 + \frac{11\pi^2}{6} \right], \]
\[ B_2^{(1)} = \frac{a_2}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{2}{e^2} + \frac{48L - 12i\pi + 55 - 2n_D}{12e} + 4L^2 + 6L - 2i\pi L - \frac{5\pi^2}{12} \right], \]
\[ B_3^{(1)} = \frac{a_2}{4\pi} \left[ n_D - 72\ln 2 - 71 + \frac{3\pi^2}{12} \right], \]  
(A41)

where recall \( L = \ln \mu/2m_\nu \), \( n_D \) is the number of SM left-handed doublets and now all \( e = \epsilon_{IR} \).

As explained in detail at the outset of the calculation, the one-loop contribution to the matching coefficient is just the finite part of this result. Combining this with the tree-level term in Eq. (A4) and mapping back to \( C_\nu \) using Eq. (A3) then gives us the Wilson coefficients in Eq. (13), which we set out to justify.

If instead we had a Dirac DM triplet rather than a Majorana, then the only impact on the above would be for \( B_3^{(1)} \), and we would instead have
\[ B_3^{(1)} = \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ n_D - 72\ln 2 - \frac{43}{12} \right]. \]  
(A42)

APPENDIX B: CONSISTENCY CHECK ON THE HIGH-SCALE MATCHING

For a nontrivial check on our high-scale calculation, we can calculate the \( \ln \mu \), or \( L \) in our case, pieces of Eq. (A41) independently by expanding the NLL results. To begin with, if we define \( C = (C_1 C_2 C_3)^T \), then from the definition of the anomalous dimension, we have
\[ \mu \frac{d}{d\mu} C(\mu) = \gamma(\mu) C(\mu). \]  
(B1)

Next, we expand the coefficients as a series in \( a_2 \):
\[ C(\mu) = C^{(0)}(\mu) + C^{(1)}(\mu) + \ldots, \]  
where \( C^{(0)}(\mu) \) is the tree-level contribution and \( C^{(1)}(\mu) \) is the one-loop result. Now, we want a cross-check on the one-loop contribution, so we evaluate Eq. (B1) at \( O(\alpha_2) \), giving
\[ \mu \frac{d\alpha_2}{d\mu} \frac{\partial C^{(0)}}{\partial \alpha_2} + \mu \frac{\partial C^{(1)}(\mu)}{\partial \mu} = \gamma_{1\text{-loop}}(\mu) C^{(0)}(\mu). \]  
(B2)

and rearranging, we arrive at
\[ \mu \frac{\partial C^{(1)}(\mu)}{\partial \mu} = \gamma_{1\text{-loop}}(\mu) C^{(0)}(\mu) - \mu \frac{d\alpha_2}{d\mu} \frac{\partial C^{(0)}}{\partial \alpha_2}. \]  
(B3)

This equation shows that we can derive the \( \mu \) dependence of the one-loop Wilson coefficient from the one-loop anomalous dimension and tree-level Wilson coefficient, both of which are known from the NLL result. To be more explicit, we can write the bare Wilson coefficient as
\[ C_{\text{bare}} = \mu^2 \left( \frac{a}{c^2} + \frac{b}{c} + \mu \text{ independent} \right) = \frac{a}{c^2} + \frac{b + 2aL}{e} + 2aL^2 + 2bL + \mu \text{ independent}, \]

where in the second equality we swapped from \( \ln \mu \) to \( L \) and absorbed the additional \( \ln 2 \) factors into the \( \mu \)-independent term. From here, we can write the renormalized Wilson coefficient as

\[ C_{\text{ren}} = 2aL^2 + 2bL + \mu \text{ independent}, \]

which we can then substitute into the left-hand side of Eq. (B3) to derive \( a \) and \( b \) for each Wilson coefficient. Doing this and then mapping back to \( B \), using Eq. (A3), we find

\[ B_1^{(1)} = \frac{a_2}{4\pi} \left[ -\frac{8L}{e} - 8L^2 - 4L - 4i\pi L + \mu \text{-ind} \right], \]
\[ B_2^{(1)} = \frac{a_2}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{4L}{e} + 4L^2 + 6L - 2i\pi L + \mu \text{-ind} \right], \]
\[ B_3^{(1)} = \frac{a_2}{4\pi} [0 + \mu \text{-ind}], \]

in exact agreement with Eq. (A41). In particular, as \( B_3^{(0)} = 0 \), we needed \( B_3^{(1)} \) to be independent of \( L \), as we found.

APPENDIX C: LOW-SCALE MATCHING CALCULATION

The focus of this Appendix is to derive the low-scale matching conditions stated in Eqs. (14), (15), (16), (17), and (18). At this scale, the matching is from an effective theory where the \( W, Z, \) top, and Higgs are dynamical degrees of freedom—NRDM-SCET \(_{\text{EW}}\)—onto a theory where these electroweak modes have been integrated out—NRDM-SCET \(_{\gamma}\).

In order to perform the calculation, we will make use of the formalism of electroweak SCET developed in Refs. [20,43–46]. As we are working in SCET, there are both collinear and soft gauge-boson diagrams that will appear in the one-loop matching. In Ref. [20], it was proven that at one-loop the total low-scale matching contribution from these soft and collinear SCET modes can always be decomposed into a contribution that is diagonal, in that it leads to no operator mixing, and another that is nondiagonal, as it does induce mixing. In their works, they then refer to the diagonal parts as \textit{collinear} and the nondiagonal ones as \textit{soft}; however, we shall always use the term “diagonal” to refer to the contributions that have contributions from both soft and collinear diagrams, although we do use a subscript \( c \) for the diagonal piece. At one loop, the matching amounts to evaluating the diagrams that appear in NRDM-SCET\(_{\text{EW}}\) but not NRDM-SCET\(_{\gamma}\). These diagrams can be broken into three classes:

1. wave function diagrams correcting our initial nonrelativistic states;
2. diagrams where a soft gauge boson is exchanged between two different external states;
3. final state collinear diagrams, which are now corrections to collinear states.

Each class will be discussed separately below. Before doing so, however, we first define our operators and outline how the low-scale matching proceeds at tree level.

Unlike for the high-scale matching, here we only consider the two operators that match onto \( M_A \) in Eq. (A1), as opposed to the third operator coming from \( M_B \). The reason for this is the additional operator does not contribute to the low-scale matching calculation for present-day DM annihilation at any order in leading power NRDM-SCET. To understand this, note that the operators coming from \( M_A \) and \( M_B \) have different spin structures. In order to mix these structures, we need to transfer angular momentum between the states. The only low-scale graphs we can write down to do this are soft gauge-boson exchanges. The spin structure of the coupling of a soft exchange to an \( n \)-collinear gauge boson is \( \mu \), and the corresponding coupling to our nonrelativistic DM field is \( \nu \). Neither coupling allows for a transfer of angular momentum, demonstrating that these operators cannot mix. Unlike for the high-scale matching, we will not make use of the operator corresponding to \( M_B \) for our low-scale consistency check, so we drop it from consideration at the outset.

1. Operator definition and tree-level matching

Prior to electroweak symmetry breaking, the two relevant operators in NRDM-SCET\(_{\text{EW}}\) can be written schematically as

\[ \mathcal{O}_1 = \frac{1}{2} \delta_{ab} \delta_{cd} \chi^{a} \chi^{b} W_{3}^{c} W_{4}^{d}, \]
\[ \mathcal{O}_2 = \frac{1}{4} (\delta_{ac} \delta_{bd} + \delta_{ad} \delta_{bc} ) \chi^{a} \chi^{b} W_{3}^{c} W_{4}^{d}. \]

Our notation here is schematic in the sense that we have suppressed the Lorentz structure and soft Wilson lines. The form of these is written out explicitly in Eq. (2) and is left out for convenience as it appears in every operator written down in this Appendix. Further, in this equation, the factor of \( 1/2 \) is introduced for convenience; as \( \chi \) is a Majorana field, this factor ensures the Feynman rule associated with these operators has no additional numerical factor. Note also that the gauge bosons are labeled as they are associated with a collinear direction. At tree level, the low-scale matching is effected simply by mapping the fields in these operators onto their broken form. Explicitly, we have
\[ \chi^1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\chi^+ + \chi^-), \]
\[ \chi^2 = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} (\chi^+ - \chi^-), \]
\[ \chi^3 = \chi^0, \]
\[ W^1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (W^+ + W^-), \]
\[ W^2 = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} (W^+ - W^-), \]
\[ W^3 = s_W A + c_W Z. \]  
\[ \Sigma \]

Substituting these into Eq. (C1) yields 22 operators in the broken theory. Of these, 14 involve a \( W^\pm \) in the final state, so we will not consider them further. We define the remaining eight as

\[ \hat{O}_1 = \frac{1}{2} \chi^0 \chi^0 A_3 A_4, \quad \hat{O}_2 = \frac{1}{2} \chi^0 \chi^0 Z_3 A_4, \]
\[ \hat{O}_3 = \frac{1}{2} \chi^0 \chi^0 A_3 Z_4, \quad \hat{O}_4 = \frac{1}{2} \chi^0 \chi^0 Z_3 Z_4, \]
\[ \hat{O}_5 = \chi^+ \chi^- A_3 A_4, \quad \hat{O}_6 = \chi^+ \chi^- Z_3 A_4, \]
\[ \hat{O}_7 = \chi^+ \chi^- A_3 Z_4, \quad \hat{O}_8 = \chi^+ \chi^- Z_3 Z_4, \]  
\[ \Sigma \]

where again we have used the schematic notation of Eq. (C1), as we will for all operators in this Appendix. At tree level, the operators in Eqs. (C1) and (C3) are related simply by the change of variables in Eq. (C2). This mapping is performed by a \( 22 \times 2 \) matrix, but again, we only state the part of this matrix we are interested in:

\[ \hat{D}_{s1-8}^{(0)} = \begin{bmatrix} s_W^2 & s_W^2 \\ s_W c_W & s_W c_W \\ s_W c_W & s_W c_W \\ c_W^2 & c_W^2 \\ s_W^2 & 0 \\ s_W c_W & 0 \\ s_W c_W & 0 \\ c_W^2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \]  

Note here that we follow the standard SCET conventions of drawing collinear fields as gluons with a solid line through them, whereas soft fields are represented simply by gluon lines. In these graphs, the soft gauge field can be either a \( W \) or \( Z \) boson. In either case, the integral to be calculated is

\[ -g^2 \int \frac{d^d k}{[k^2 - m^2] v \cdot (k + p)}, \]  

where \( g \) is the coupling (\( g_2 \) for a \( W \) boson, \( c_W g_2 \) for a \( Z \) boson), \( p \) is the external momentum, \( k \) is the loop momentum, \( m \) the gauge-boson mass, and \( v \) is the velocity associated with the nonrelativistic \( \chi \) field. Given our initial state is heavy, this is unsurprisingly exactly the heavy quark effective theory wave function renormalization graph. The analytic solution can be found in e.g. Refs. [71,72], and using this, we find

\[ = -i v \cdot p \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{e} + \ln \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} \right], \]  

where \( \alpha = g^2 / 4\pi. \) Now, in addition to the one-loop graphs we drew above, at this order, there will also be a counter-term of the form \( i v \cdot p (Z_x - 1) \). Again, working in the on-shell scheme so that we do not need to consider the residues, we conclude

\[ Z_x = 1 + \frac{\alpha_2(\mu)}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{e} - \ln \frac{m^2_w}{\mu^2} - c_W^2 \ln \frac{m^2_Z}{\mu^2} \right]. \]  

Now, each of our initial states will contribute \( Z_{x/2} \), implying that the contribution to \( \hat{D}(\mu) \) given in Eq. (14) is

\[ D^2(\mu) = 1 - \frac{\alpha_2(\mu)}{2\pi} \left[ \ln \frac{m^2_w}{\mu^2} + c_W^2 \ln \frac{m^2_Z}{\mu^2} \right]. \]
and the subscript $c$ indicates this is a diagonal contribution in the sense that it leads to no operator mixing. This is exactly as in Eq. (16) and justifies this part of the low-scale matching.

### 3. Soft gauge-boson exchange graphs

In this section, we calculate the contribution from the exchange of a soft $W$ or $Z$ gauge boson between different external final states. As these gauge bosons carry $\text{SU}(2)_L$ gauge indices, unsurprisingly, these graphs will lead to operator mixing. Consequently, in terms of the notation introduced above, these graphs will lead to nondiagonal contributions. They will also induce diagonal terms, and we will carefully separate the two below.

Once separated, we will group the diagonal contribution with those we get from the final state wave function graphs we consider in the next subsection. The reason for this is that these diagonal contributions for photon and $Z$ final states, as we have, were already evaluated in Ref. [46], and we will not fully recompute them here. In that work, however, the diagonal contribution was only stated in full. The breakdown into the soft boson exchange and final state wave function graphs was not provided. This raises a potential issue because in that work all external states were taken to be collinear, not nonrelativistic. As such, in this section, we will explicitly calculate the soft gauge-boson exchange graphs for both kinematics and demonstrate that the diagonal contribution is identical in the two cases.

Before calculating the graphs, we first introduce some useful notation. At one loop, the gauge bosons will have two couplings to the four external states. Each of these couplings will have an associated gauge index structure, and in order to deal with this, it is convenient to introduce gauge index or color operators $T$. This notation was first introduced in Refs. [73,74], and it allows the gauge index structure to be organized generally rather than case by case. Examples can be found in the original papers and also in the SCET literature e.g. Refs. [20,46,75]. An example relevant for our purposes is the action of $T$ on an SU(2)$_L$ adjoint, which is the representation of both our initial and final states:

$$\begin{align*}
T\chi^a &= (T_A)_{ad} \chi^d = -ie_{cad} \chi^d, \\
TW^a &= (T_A)_{ad} W^d = -ie_{cad} W^d. 
\end{align*}$$

In terms of this notation then, we can write the gauge index structure of all relevant one-loop low-scale matching graphs as $T_i \cdot T_j$, where $i$, $j$ label any of the four external legs. Because of this, we label the result from these soft exchange diagrams as $S_{ij}$ for the case of our kinematics—nonrelativistic initial states and collinear final states—and we use $S_{ij}'$ to denote the kinematics of Ref. [46]—all external states collinear. Following Refs. [20,46], we take all external momenta to be incoming, and further rapidity divergences will be regulated with the $\Delta$-regulator [76]. Now, let us turn to the graphs one by one.

In this graph, the soft gauge boson exchanged between the initial state can be a $W$ or $Z$ boson. In either case, the value of this graph is

$$\begin{align*}
S_{12} &= \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} T_1 \cdot T_2 \left[ 1 - \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \right], \\
S_{12}' &= \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} T_1 \cdot T_2 \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{e} \left( \ln \frac{\delta_1 \delta_2}{\mu^2} + i\pi \right) - \frac{1}{2} \ln^2 \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \\
&\quad + i\pi \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} + \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \ln \frac{\delta_1 \delta_2}{\mu^2} - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \right]. 
\end{align*}$$

where as above $\alpha = g^2/4\pi$ and the identities of $g$ and $m$ depend on whether this is for a $W$ or $Z$. In $S_{12}'$, $\delta_1$ and $\delta_2$ are the $\Delta$-regulators. Unsurprisingly, these only appear for the collinear kinematics for the initial state in $S_{12}$ and not for the nonrelativistic kinematics in $S_{12}$.

Again, the exchanged soft boson can be a $W$ or $Z$. These four graphs are grouped together as they have a common form, for example

$$\begin{align*}
S_{13} &= \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} T_1 \cdot T_3 \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{2e} - \frac{1}{2e} \ln \frac{\delta_3^2}{\mu^2} - \frac{1}{4} \ln^2 \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{\delta_3^2}{\mu^2} \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} - \frac{\pi^2}{24} \right], \\
S_{13}' &= \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} T_1 \cdot T_3 \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{e} \ln \left( \frac{\delta_1 \delta_3}{\mu^2 w_{13}} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \ln^2 \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \\
&\quad + \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \ln \left( \frac{\delta_1 \delta_3}{\mu^2 w_{13}} \right) - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \right]. 
\end{align*}$$

(C12)
Then, $S_{12}^{(t)}$ is given by the same expressions but with $3 \to 4$, while $S_{23}^{(t)}$ and $S_{24}^{(t)}$ are given by similar replacements. For the all collinear case, we have defined the following functions of the kinematics,

\[
w_{13} = w_{24} = \frac{1}{2} n_1 \cdot n_3 = \frac{1}{2} n_2 \cdot n_4 = \frac{t}{s},
\]

\[
w_{14} = w_{23} = \frac{1}{2} n_1 \cdot n_4 = \frac{1}{2} n_2 \cdot n_3 = \frac{u}{s},
\]

where $s$, $t$, and $u$ are the Mandelstam variables relevant for all incoming momenta. The signs inside the logs in Eq. (C12) can be understood by noting that as $t < 0$, $u < 0$, while $s > 0$, we have $w_{ij} < 0$.

Finally, we have the graph above, which yields

\[
S_{34} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} T_3 \cdot T_4 \left[ \frac{1}{c^2} - \frac{1}{c} \left( \ln \frac{\delta_3 \delta_4}{\mu^2} + i\pi \right) - \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \right]
\]

\[
+ i\pi \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} + \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \ln \frac{\delta_3 \delta_4}{\mu^2} - \frac{\pi^2}{12},
\]

\[S_{34}' = S_{34}. \tag{C14}\]

This completes the list of graphs to evaluate. As written, it appears that all graphs are nondiagonal from their gauge index structure. However, as we will now show, the remaining terms that are independent of $\delta$, we organize them as follows,

\[
\sum_{ij} S_{ij}' = \frac{1}{2} [S_{12}' + S_{13}' + S_{14}'] + \frac{1}{2} [S_{21}' + S_{23}' + S_{24}']
\]

\[
+ \frac{1}{2} [S_{31}' + S_{32}' + S_{34}'] + \frac{1}{2} [S_{41}' + S_{42}' + S_{43}'], \tag{C19}\]

where we used the fact $S_{ij}' = S_{ji}'$. Each of these groups can now be simplified. For example, the first group can be written as

\[
S_{12}' + S_{13}' + S_{14}' = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} (T_1 \cdot T_2 + T_1 \cdot T_3 + T_1 \cdot T_4)
\]

\[
\times \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} - \frac{\pi^2}{12} \right] \]

\[
+ \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} T_1 \cdot T_2 \left[ i\pi \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \right]
\]

\[
\times \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} T_1 \cdot T_3 \left[ \ln \left( \frac{-t}{s} \right) \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \right]
\]

\[
+ \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} T_1 \cdot T_4 \left[ \ln \left( \frac{-u}{s} \right) \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \right], \tag{C20}\]

If we then use

\[
\sum_{j \neq i} T_j \cdot T_j = -T_i \cdot T_i, \tag{C21}\]

Eq. (C20) can be rewritten as

\[
= \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} T_1 \cdot T_1 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} + \frac{\pi^2}{12} \right] + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} T_1 \cdot T_2 \left[ i\pi \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \right]
\]

\[
- \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} T_1 \cdot T_3 \left[ \ln \left( \frac{-t}{s} \right) \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \right]
\]

\[
- \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} T_1 \cdot T_4 \left[ \ln \left( \frac{-u}{s} \right) \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \right]. \tag{C22}\]

Repeating this for the remaining three terms in Eq. (C19) and reinserting the $\delta$ contributions, we can rewrite the combination of all terms as

\[
\sum_{ij} S_{ij}' = \sum_{ij} S_{ij} + \sum_i C_i, \tag{C23}\]

where we have defined

\[
S_{ij}' = -\frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} T_i \cdot T_j U_{ij}',
\]

\[C_i \equiv \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} T_1 \cdot T_i \left[ \frac{1}{4} \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} + \frac{\pi^2}{24} - \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \ln \frac{\delta_i^2}{\mu^2} \right]. \tag{C24}\]

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This and the gauge index identity stated below in Eq. (C21) follow simply from the fact $\sum_i T_i = 0$ when it acts on gauge index singlet operators; see for example Ref. [20].
and from the above, we can see that
\[
U_{12}' = U_{34}' = -i\pi, \\
U_{13}' = U_{24}' = \ln \left(-\frac{t}{s}\right), \\
U_{14}' = U_{23}' = \ln \left(-\frac{u}{s}\right).
\] (C25)

Thus, as claimed, we have reduced \( \sum_{(ij)} S_{ij}' \) in Eq. (C23) to a diagonal and a nondiagonal piece. Importantly, we have explicitly isolated the diagonal contribution \( C_i \), and as we will now show, we get exactly the same diagonal contribution for the kinematics of interest in this work.

Before doing so, however, note that the irreducibly nondiagonal contribution given in Eqs. (C24) and (C25) agrees with Eq. (150) in Ref. [20], where the authors gave the general form of \( U_{ij}' \) for the case of all external collinear particles:
\[
U_{ij}' = \ln \left(-\frac{n_{ij}}{2} - i0^+\right).
\] (C26)

Next, we repeat this procedure for \( \sum_{(ij)} S_{ij} \), where we have nonrelativistic fields in the initial state. As before, we consider the contribution from the rapidity regulators at the outset, which for \( \delta_1 \) yield
\[
\frac{\alpha}{2\pi} (T_1 \cdot T_2 + T_1 \cdot T_3 + T_1 \cdot T_4) \left[ \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \ln \frac{\delta_3^2}{\mu^2} \right] = - \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \ln \frac{\delta_3^2}{\mu^2},
\] (C27)
where we again used Eq. (C21). An identical relation will hold for \( \delta_4 \), and this time, there is no \( \delta_1 \) or \( \delta_2 \) as the nonrelativistic fields do not lead to rapidity divergences. For the remaining terms, we now organize them as follows:
\[
\sum_{(ij)} S_{ij} = S_{12} + \left[ S_{31} + S_{32} + \frac{1}{2} S_{34} \right] + \left[ S_{41} + S_{42} + \frac{1}{2} S_{43} \right].
\] (C28)

Evaluating each of the terms in square brackets and simplifying the gauge index structure as before, we arrive at the following,
\[
\sum_{(ij)} S_{ij} = \sum_{(ij)} S_{ij}' + C_3 + C_4,
\] (C29)
where we again have
\[
S_{ij}' = - \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} T_i \cdot T_j U_{ij}, \\
C_i = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{1}{4} \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} + \frac{\pi^2}{24} - \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \ln \frac{\delta_i^2}{\mu^2},
\] (C30)
and now
\[
U_{12} = 1, \\
U_{34} = -i\pi, \\
U_{13} = U_{24} = U_{23} = 0.
\] (C31)

Critically, although the nondiagonal contribution is different than the case of all collinear kinematics, we see that the diagonal function defined in Eq. (C30) is identical to that in Eq. (C24). This justifies the claim made earlier that the diagonal part of this calculation is the same for both kinematics. As such, we put the \( C_i \) terms aside for the moment and return to them when we consider the final state collinear graphs.

What remains here then is to evaluate the irreducibly nondiagonal contribution: \( \sum_{(ij)} S_{ij}' \). This essentially amounts to calculating the gauge index structure, which the use of gauge index operators has allowed us to put off until now. In addition, we need to recall that we have a contribution to each graph from a W- and Z-boson exchange. As above, we closely follow the approach in Refs. [20,46], except we account for the differences in our kinematics. To this end, we begin by observing that after electroweak symmetry breaking the unbroken SU(2)_L and U(1)_Y generators, \( t \) and \( Y \), become
\[
\alpha_2 t + \alpha_1 Y \to \frac{1}{2} \alpha W_{(t,t_- + t_- t_+)} + \alpha_2 t Z \cdot t Z + \alpha_{em} Q \cdot Q.
\] (C32)
where \( \alpha_2 = \alpha_{em}/s_W^2, \alpha_1 = \alpha_{em}/c_W^2, \alpha_W = \alpha_2, \alpha_Z = \alpha_2/c_W^2, \) and \( t Z = t_3 - s_W^2 Q \). This implies that we can write the full contribution as
\[
\delta_{ij}^{(1)} = \frac{\alpha W(\mu)}{2\pi} \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{m_W^2}{\mu^2} \left[ -\sum_{(ij)} \frac{1}{2} (t_i t_- + t_+ t_-) U_{ij} \right] + \frac{\alpha Z(\mu)}{2\pi} \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{m_Z^2}{\mu^2} \left[ -\sum_{(ij)} t_{Zi} t_{Zj} U_{ij} \right].
\] (C33)

Now, the contribution on the first line is more complicated, because \( (t_3 t_- + t_+ t_-)U_{ij} \) is a nondiagonal 22 \times 22 matrix, whereas as we will see \( t_{Zi} t_{Zj} U_{ij} \) is diagonal. Nevertheless, we can simplify the nondiagonal part by using the following relation:
\[
\frac{1}{2} (t_3 t_- + t_+ t_-) = t \cdot t - t_3 \cdot t_3.
\] (C34)
Here, \( t_3 \cdot t_3 \) is again diagonal, and while \( t \cdot t \) is non-diagonal, it is written in terms of the unbroken operators so that we can calculate it in the unbroken theory where we only have 2 operators, not 22. Thus, it is now a 2 \times 2 matrix. In terms of this, we can now write the nondiagonal contribution to the low-scale matching as
where $\mathcal{D}_s^{(0)}$ is given in Eq. (C4) and, as we will now demonstrate, $\mathcal{D}_s$ is effectively the matrix given in Eq. (15) that we set out to justify. In order to do this, we have to evaluate the remaining terms:

$$\mathcal{E} \equiv -\sum_{(ij)} t_i \cdot t_j U_{ij},$$

$$\mathcal{D}_W \equiv \sum_{(ij)} t_{si} \cdot t_{sj} U_{ij},$$

$$\mathcal{D}_Z \equiv -c_W^3 \mathcal{D}_W.$$  \hspace{1cm} (C36)

The form of each of these matrices can be evaluated by acting with them on the operators—the unbroken operators in Eq. (1) for $\mathcal{E}$ and the broken operators in Eq. (C3) for $\mathcal{D}_{W/Z}$—where the action of the gauge index operators is given by Eq. (C10). Doing this, we find

$$\mathcal{E} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 - 2i\pi & 1 - i\pi \\ 0 & i\pi - 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

while

$$\mathcal{D}_{W,1-8} = \text{diag}(0, 0, 0, 0, -1, -1, -1, -1),$$

$$\mathcal{D}_Z = -c_W^3 \mathcal{D}_W.$$  \hspace{1cm} (C38)

Substituting these results into Eq. (C35), we find

$$\hat{D}_{s,1-8} = \begin{bmatrix} s_W^2[1 + G(\mu)] & s_W^2 \\ s_W c_W[1 + G(\mu)] & s_W c_W \\ s_W c_W[1 + H(\mu)] & s_W c_W \\ c_W^2[1 + G(\mu)] & c_W^2 \\ s_W^2[1 + H(\mu)] & s_W^2 I(\mu) \\ s_W c_W[1 + H(\mu)] & s_W c_W I(\mu) \\ s_W c_W[1 + H(\mu)] & s_W c_W I(\mu) \\ c_W^2[1 + H(\mu)] & c_W^2 I(\mu) \end{bmatrix}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (C39)

where we have defined

$$G(\mu) = \frac{\alpha_W(\mu)}{2\pi} \ln \frac{m_W^2}{\mu^2}(2 - 2i\pi),$$

$$H(\mu) = \frac{\alpha_W(\mu)}{2\pi} \ln \frac{m_W^2}{\mu^2}(1 - 2i\pi) + c_W^3 \frac{\alpha_Z(\mu)}{2\pi} \ln \frac{m_Z^2}{\mu^2},$$

$$I(\mu) = \frac{\alpha_W}{2\pi} \ln \frac{m_W^2}{\mu^2}(1 - i\pi).$$  \hspace{1cm} (C40)

From the form of $\hat{D}_s$ given in Eq. (C39), we can again reduce this to a $2 \times 2$ matrix which maps onto $\Sigma_1$ and $\Sigma_1 - \Sigma_2$, exactly as we did for the tree-level low-scale matching. Doing this, the $2 \times 2$ matrix we obtain is exactly Eq. (15), which we set out to justify.

### 4. Final state graphs

Finally, we have the last contribution, which is the combination of final state collinear graphs as well as $C_3 + C_4$, as defined in Eq. (C30). As mentioned in the previous subsection, this calculation has already been performed in Ref. [46], and given that the form of $C_i$ is the same for our kinematics as it is for that reference, we take the result from that work. In that paper, the authors calculated this diagonal contribution for all possible weak bosons. For our calculation, we are only interested in a final state photon or $Z$, for which they give

$$D^{C}_\gamma = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \left[ F_W + f_S \left( \frac{m_Z^2}{m_W^2}, 1 \right) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \delta R_Z + \cot \theta_W R^{\gamma\to Z},$$

$$D^{C}_Z = \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \left[ F_W + f_S(0, 1) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \delta R_Y + \cot \theta_W R^{\gamma\to Y}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (C41)

The various terms in these equations are outlined below. Nonetheless, once the full expressions are written out, the analytic result for the terms in Eq. (18) can be extracted as the terms independent of $\ln \mu^2$.

To begin with, we have

$$F_W \equiv \ln \frac{m_W^2}{\mu^2} \ln \frac{s}{\mu^2} - \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{m_W^2}{\mu^2} - \ln \frac{m_Z^2}{\mu^2} - \frac{5\pi^2}{12} + 1,$$  \hspace{1cm} (C42)

where for our calculation $s = 4m_Z^2$. Next, $f_S(w, z)$ is defined as

$$f_S(w, z) \equiv \int_0^1 dx \left( \frac{2 - x}{x} \right) \frac{1 - x + zx - w(x(1 - x))}{1 - x}.$$  \hspace{1cm} (C43)

such that an explicit calculation gives us

$$f_S(\frac{m_Z^2}{m_W^2}, 1) = 1.08355,$$

$$f_S(0, 1) = \frac{\pi^2}{3} - 1.$$  \hspace{1cm} (C44)
Finally, the $\mathcal{R}$ contributions are defined by

$$\delta \mathcal{R}_Z = \Pi_Z'(m_Z^2),$$

$$\delta \mathcal{R}_\gamma = \Pi_\gamma'(0),$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{\gamma \to Z} = \frac{1}{m_Z^2} \Pi_{\gamma Z}(m_Z^2),$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{Z \to \gamma} = -\frac{1}{m_Z^2} \Pi_{Z \gamma}(0),$$

where $\Pi' = \partial \Pi(k^2)/\partial k^2$ and the various $\Pi$ functions are defined via the inverse of the transverse gauge-boson propagator

$$-i \left( g_{\mu \nu} - \frac{k_\mu k_\nu}{k^2} \right) \left[ k^2 - m_Z^2 - \Pi_{ZZ}(k^2) - \Pi_{Z\gamma}(k^2) ight].$$

The form of the $\Pi$ functions is not given explicitly in Ref. [46] but can be determined from the results of e.g. Refs. [70,77]. When doing so, there are two factors that must be accounted for. First, the $\Pi$ functions must be calculated in MS. This is because Ref. [46] accounts for the residues explicitly in (C41). If we used the on-shell scheme for external particles, as we did for the high-scale matching, we would double count the contribution from the residues. Second, we need to respect that the low-scale matching is performed above and below the matching scale, which means the $\Pi$ functions for the photon and $Z$ must be treated differently. Above the matching scale, the $W$, $Z$, top, and Higgs are dynamical degrees of freedom, but below it, they are not. Light degrees of freedom like the photon, bottom quark, or electron are dynamical above and below. This means that for the $Z$ contributions we need to include all degrees of freedom—heavy and light—in the loops, as the $Z$ itself does not propagate below the matching and the light fermions are off shell in these loops. For the photon contributions, however, only the heavy degrees of freedom should be included. Accounting for these factors, we arrive at the following:

$$\delta \mathcal{R}_Z = \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{5 - 10 s_W^2 + 46 s_W^4}{6 c_W^2} \ln \frac{m_Z^2}{\mu^2} + 1.5077 - 9.92036i \right],$$

$$\delta \mathcal{R}_\gamma = \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ -\frac{11}{9} s_W^2 \ln \frac{m_Z^2}{\mu^2} + 0.8257 \right],$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{\gamma \to Z} = \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ -\frac{7 s_W^2 + 34 s_W^4}{6 c_W^2 \tan \theta_W} \ln \frac{m_Z^2}{\mu^2} + 0.3678 - 2.2748i \right],$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{Z \to \gamma} = \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \left[ 2 s_W c_W \mu^2 \ln \frac{m_Z^2}{\mu^2} - 0.2099 \right].$$

Note that there is a typo in Eq. (B2) of Ref. [46], where $\mathcal{R}_{\gamma \to Z}$ and $\mathcal{R}_{Z \to \gamma}$ involved $\Pi'$ rather than $\Pi$. The expressions stated here are the correct ones, and we thank Aneesh Manohar for confirming this and for providing a numerical cross-check on our results for these terms.

Analytic forms for the $\Pi$ functions are provided in Appendix E; we do not provide the full expressions here as they are lengthy. In order to determine the numerical values above, we have used the following:

$$m_Z = 91.1876 \text{ GeV},$$

$$m_W = 80.385 \text{ GeV},$$

$$m_t = 173.21 \text{ GeV},$$

$$m_H = 125 \text{ GeV},$$

$$m_b = 4.18 \text{ GeV},$$

$$m_e = 1.275 \text{ GeV},$$

$$m_\tau = 1.77682 \text{ GeV},$$

$$m_d = m_s = m_u = m_\mu = m_\tau = 0 \text{ GeV},$$

$$c_w = m_W/m_Z.$$

This completes the list of ingredients for Eq. (C41). Substituting them into that equation gives exactly the relevant terms in Eqs. (16), (17), and (18), justifying the diagonal part of the low-scale matching. Note that the results are insensitive to the precise values used for the $m_b$ and $m_e$ masses.

We have now justified each of the pieces making up the low-scale one-loop matching. All that remains is to cross-check this result, which we turn to in the next Appendix.

**APPENDIX D: CONSISTENCY CHECK ON THE LOW-SCALE MATCHING**

In this Appendix, we provide a cross-check on the low-scale one-loop matching calculation, much as we did for the high-scale result in Appendix B. Given that we already cross-checked the high-scale result, here we make use of that to determine whether the $\ln \mu$ contributions at the low scale are correct. In order to do this, we take Eq. (8) and turn off the running, which amounts to setting $\mu_R = \mu_Z = \mu$. In detail, we obtain

$$\left[ C_1^\pm C_2^\pm \right] = e^{\delta \gamma(\mu)} \left[ C_1(\mu) C_2(\mu) \right].$$

Now, as we have the full one-loop result, the $\ln \mu$ dependence between these two terms must cancel at $\mathcal{O}\left(\alpha_2\right)$ for any $X$, which we will now demonstrate.

Before doing this in general, we first consider the simpler case where electroweak symmetry remains unbroken and we just have a $W^3 W^\dagger$ final state. In this case, as in general, to capture all $\mu$ dependence at $\mathcal{O}\left(\alpha_2\right)$, we also need to account for the $\beta$-function. If $SU(2)_L$ remains unbroken, however, this is just simply captured in

$$\alpha_2(\mu) = \alpha_2(m_Z) + \frac{\alpha_2^2(m_Z)}{4\pi} \ln \frac{m_Z^2}{\mu^2}.$$

$$\delta \gamma(\mu) = \delta \gamma(\mu_Z) + \frac{\alpha_2}{4\pi} \ln \frac{m_Z^2}{\mu^2}.$$
where \( b_0 = (43 - 2n_D)/6 \), with \( n_D \) the number of SM doublets. This follows directly from Eq. (A35). In the unbroken theory, we can simply set \( c_W = 1 \) and \( s_W = 0 \), so if we do this and substitute our results from Eqs. (13), (14), (15), (16), and (17) into Eq. (D1), then we find

\[
C_{W_0}^{w_0} = \frac{1}{m_x} \left( \frac{b_0}{4} + c_1^{w_0} - 1 \right) \ln \mu^2 + \mu\text{-ind},
\]

\[
C_{W_0}^{w_0} = \mu\text{-ind}.
\]

Now, we can calculate that \( c_1^{w_0} = (2n_D - 19)/24 \), which, taking \( n_D = 12 \), exactly agrees with \( c_1^Z \) in Eq. (17) when \( c_W = 1 \) and \( s_W = 0 \), as it must. Then, recalling \( b_0 \) from above, we see that both coefficients are then \( \mu \) independent at this order, demonstrating the required consistency.

We now consider the same cross-check in the full broken theory. The added complication here is that for our different final states, \( \gamma\gamma, \gamma Z \), and \( ZZ \), the couplings are actually \( s_W c_W a_2 \), \( s_W c_W a_2 \), and \( c_W^2 a_Z \) respectively. As we work in \( \overline{\text{MS}} \), we need to account for the fact that \( s_W \) and \( c_W \) are functions \( \mu \). Explicit calculation demonstrates that the running is only relevant for the consistency of \( C^X_{\pm} \)—the cancellation in \( C^X_0 \) is independent of the \( \beta \)-function at this order—and in fact, we find

\[
C^X_\pm = \frac{1}{m_x} \left( \frac{b_0}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{4} c_i \right) \ln \mu^2 + \mu\text{-ind}. \tag{D4}
\]

To derive this, we simply used Eq. (D2), with \( b_0 \to b_0^{(X)} \), leaving us to derive the appropriate form of \( b_0^{(X)} \) for \( X = \gamma\gamma, \gamma Z, ZZ \). First, note that

\[
s_W^2(\mu) = \frac{a_1(\mu)}{a_1(\mu) + a_2(\mu)},
\]

\[
c_W^2(\mu) = \frac{a_2(\mu)}{a_1(\mu) + a_2(\mu)}, \tag{D5}
\]

where \( a_1 \) is the \( U(1)_Y \) coupling. We can write an expression similar to Eq. (D2) for \( a_1 \), but this time we have \( b_0^{(1)} = -41/6 \). To avoid confusion, we also now refer to the SU(2)_L \( b_0 \) as \( b_0^{(2)} = 19/6 \).

Now, for the case of two \( Z \) bosons in the final state, the appropriate \( \beta \)-function is

\[
\beta_{ZZ} = \mu \frac{d}{d\mu} \ln [s_W^2(\mu)], \tag{D6}
\]

Combining this with Eq. (D5), we conclude that

\[
b_0^{(ZZ)} = (s_W^2 + 1)b_0^{(1)} - \frac{s_W^2}{c_W^2} b_0^{(1)} = \frac{19 + 22s_W^2}{6c_W^2}. \tag{D7}
\]

There is an additional factor of \( c_W^2 \) in this expression compared to just calculating the \( \beta \)-function for \( a_Z \). The reason for this is that \( b_0^{(ZZ)} \) is the appropriate replacement for \( b_0 \) in Eq. (D2), which represents the correction to \( a_2 = c_W^2 a_Z \), not \( a_Z \). Substituting this into Eq. (D4) along with the definition of \( c_W^2 \) from Eq. (17) demonstrates consistency for the \( ZZ \) case.

The case of two final state photons has to be treated differently, because of the fact that our low-scale matching integrated out the electroweak degrees of freedom, which did not include the photon. This means we need to use a modified version of the SU(2)_L and U(1)_Y couplings that only include the running due to the modes being removed. This amounts to accounting for the running from the Higgs, \( W \) and \( Z \) bosons, and the top quark, which we treat as an SU(2)_L singlet Dirac fermion to ensure it is entirely removed through the matching. Doing so, the SM \( \beta \)-functions now can be evaluated to \( b_0^{(2)} = 43/6 \) and \( b_0^{(1)} = -35/18 \). Repeating the same calculation as we used to determine \( b_0^{(ZZ)} \), we find that

\[
b_0^{(\gamma\gamma)} = (b_0^{(1)} + b_0^{(2)})s_W^2 = \frac{47}{9} s_W^2. \tag{D8}
\]

Again, substituting this into Eq. (D4) shows that the two photon case is also consistent. The final case \( \gamma Z \) is, but it is straightforward to see that here Eq. (D4) breaks into two conditions that are equivalent to those that appear in the \( ZZ \) and \( \gamma\gamma \) cases, implying that this is not an independent cross-check.

As such, in the absence of running, all the \( \mu \) dependence in our calculation vanishes at \( O(\alpha_2) \), as it must. But we emphasize that this is a nontrivial cross-check that involves all aspects of the calculation in the full broken theory.

**APPENDIX E: ANALYTIC FORM OF \( \Pi \)**

Here, we state the analytic expressions for the \( \overline{\text{MS}} \) electroweak \( \Pi \) functions for a photon and \( Z \) boson, appropriate for the matching from SCET_{EW} to SCET_{Y}. These results can be determined using standard references, such as Refs. [70,77]. As the photon is a dynamical degree of freedom above and below the matching, we only need to consider loop diagrams involving electroweak modes that are integrated out through the matching. This simplifies the evaluation, and we have the following two functions:

\[
\Pi_{\gamma\gamma}(0) = \frac{\alpha_2 s_W^2}{4\pi} \left\{ \frac{16}{9} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{m_t^2} + 3 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{m_W^2} + \frac{2}{3} \right\},
\]

\[
\Pi_{\gamma Z}(0) = \frac{\alpha_2 s_W^2}{4\pi} \left\{ \frac{2m_W^2}{s_W^2} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{m_W^2} \right\}. \tag{E1}
\]

As the \( Z \) itself is being integrated out, we need to include all relevant loops when calculating \( \Pi_{\gamma Z} \) and \( \Pi_{ZZ} \). In order to simplify the expressions, we first introduce the following expressions:
\[ \beta \equiv \sqrt{\frac{4m^2}{s} - 1}, \quad \xi \equiv \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m^2}{s}}, \quad \lambda_\pm \equiv \frac{1}{2s} \left( s - m_2^2 + m_1^2 \pm \sqrt{(s - m_2^2 + m_1^2)^2 - 4s(m_1^2 - i\epsilon)} \right). \]  

(E2)

In terms of these, we then define

\[ a(m_1, m_2) \equiv 1 + \frac{m_1^2}{m_2^2 - m_1^2} \ln \frac{m_1^2}{m_2^2}, \quad b(s, m) \equiv 2 + \xi \ln \frac{1 + \xi}{1 - \xi} + i\pi \xi, \quad c(s, m) \equiv -\frac{2m^2}{s^2} \left( \frac{2\xi}{1 + \beta i} + i\ln \frac{\beta + i}{\beta - i} \right), \]

\[ c_2(s, m) \equiv \frac{2m^2}{s^2} \left( \frac{2\xi}{1 + \beta i} - \ln \frac{1 + \xi}{1 - \xi} \right). \]

\[ d(s, m_1, m_2) \equiv 2 + \lambda_+ \ln \left( \frac{\lambda_+ - 1}{\lambda_+} \right) - \ln \left( \lambda_+ - 1 \right) + \lambda_- \ln \left( \frac{\lambda_+ - 1}{\lambda_-} \right) - \ln \left( \lambda_- - 1 \right), \]

\[ e(s, m_1, m_2) \equiv \frac{1}{s} + \lambda_+ \frac{\partial \lambda_+}{\partial s} + \ln \left( \frac{\lambda_+ - 1}{\lambda_-} \right) \frac{\partial \lambda_-}{\partial s}. \]  

(E3)

We can now write out the full expressions

\[ \Pi_{\text{Z}\beta}(m_2^2) = \frac{\alpha_s^2 s_W^4}{4\pi} \left\{ \frac{6 - 16s_W^2}{3c_W s_W} \left[ \frac{1}{3} m_2^2 - m_2^2 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} - (m_2^2 + 2m_1^2)b(m_2^2, m_1) \right] + \frac{3 - 4s_W^2}{9c_W s_W} \left[ \frac{1}{3} m_2^2 - m_2^2 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} - (m_2^2 + 2m_1^2)b_2(m_2^2, m_1) \right] + \frac{6 - 16s_W^2}{9c_W s_W} \left[ \frac{1}{3} m_2^2 - m_2^2 \ln \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} - (m_2^2 + 2m_1^2)b_2(m_2^2, m_1) \right] \right\}, \]

and finally

\[ \Pi_{\text{\hat{Z}\hat{Z}}}(m_2^2) = \frac{\alpha_s^2 s_W^4}{4\pi} \left\{ 2 \left[ \frac{9 - 24s_W^2 + 32s_W^4}{36c_W^2 s_W^2} \left[ -\ln \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} - b(m_2^2, m_1) - (m_2^2 + 2m_1^2)c(m_2^2, m_1) + \frac{1}{3} \right] + \frac{3}{4s_W c_W} \right] m_2^2 c(m_2^2, m_1) \right\} + \frac{2}{3} \left[ \frac{9 - 24s_W^2 + 32s_W^4}{36c_W^2 s_W^2} \left[ -\ln \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} - b_2(m_2^2, m_1) - (m_2^2 + 2m_1^2)c_2(m_2^2, m_1) + \frac{1}{3} \right] + \frac{3}{4s_W c_W} \right] m_2^2 c(m_2^2, m_1) \right\} + \frac{2}{3} \left[ \frac{9 - 24s_W^2 + 32s_W^4}{36c_W^2 s_W^2} \left[ -\ln \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} - b_2(m_2^2, m_1) - (m_2^2 + 2m_1^2)c_2(m_2^2, m_1) + \frac{1}{3} \right] + \frac{3}{4s_W c_W} \right] m_2^2 c(m_2^2, m_1) \right\} + \frac{7 - 12s_W^2 + 16s_W^4}{3s_W^2 c_W^2} \left[ -\frac{2}{3} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} - \frac{1}{6s_W^2 c_W} \left( 18c_W^2 + 2c_W^2 - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( \ln \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} + b(m_2^2, m_1) \right) + \frac{1}{3} (4c_W^2 - 1) \right] \right\} + \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{12s_W^2 c_W} \right) \left( m_2^2 + (24c_W^4 + 16c_W^2 - 10)m_2^2 \right) c(m_2^2, m_1) \right\} + \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{12s_W^2 c_W} \right) \left( m_2^2 + (24c_W^4 + 16c_W^2 - 10)m_2^2 \right) c(m_2^2, m_1) \right\} \right\} \right\}. \]

(E5)