A separable Bethe-Salpeter approach to deuteron structure

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Introduction

- ▶ **Main idea**: deuteron structure in a separable Bethe-Salpeter approach.
 - **Separability** means the Bethe-Salpeter equation can be solved.
- ► Solving a Bethe-Salpeter equation has several benefits:
 - Ensures covariance.
 - Ensures correct normalization.
 - Allows two-body currents to be derived from Lagrangian.
- ► The true *NN* interaction isn't separable—need a model.
 - This talk is about such a model.
- ► I'm going to present some in-progress work here.
 - Details and results aren't all finalized.
 - Thoughts and suggestions are welcome!

The variety of approaches



- ▶ Figure above from Gilman & Gross, AIP Conf. Proc. 603 (2001) 55
- ► This talk is about a **Bethe-Salpeter** approach. (but without locality)

• Generalized parton distributions exhibit **polynomiality**.

$$\int \mathrm{d}x \, x H_1(x,\xi,t) = \mathcal{G}_1(t) + \xi^2 \mathcal{G}_3(t) \quad \text{etc.}$$

- Required for unambiguous extraction of energy-momentum tensor from GPDs.
- ► Polynomiality requires covariance.
 - ► X. Ji, J. Phys. G24 (1998) 1181
- Finite Fock expansion (standard method) violates covariance.
 - Example: landmark calculation of Cano and Pire EPJA 19 (2004) 423



Non-local Lagrangian

- ► Adapted from **non-local NJL model**.
 - Bowler & Birse, Nucl. Phys. A582 (1995) 655
 - Modified to be a nucleon-nucleon interaction.
- ► *V* and *T* currents in *isosinglet* channel:

$$B_{Vn}^{\mu}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \int d^4 z f_n(z) \psi^{\mathsf{T}}\left(x + \frac{z}{2}\right) C^{-1} \tau_2 \gamma^{\mu} \psi\left(x - \frac{z}{2}\right)$$
$$B_{Tn}^{\mu\nu}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \int d^4 z f_n(z) \psi^{\mathsf{T}}\left(x + \frac{z}{2}\right) C^{-1} \tau_2 \mathrm{i} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi\left(x - \frac{z}{2}\right)$$

- $f_n(z)$ a spacetime form-factor; regulates UV divergences.
- $f_n(z) \rightarrow \delta^{(4)}(z)$ gives (local) four-point contact interaction.
- ► Interaction Lagrangian:

$$\mathscr{L}_{I} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\{ g_{Vn} B^{\mu}_{Vn} (B_{Vn\mu})^{*} + \frac{1}{2} g_{Tn} B^{\mu\nu}_{Tn} (B_{Tn\mu\nu})^{*} \right\}$$

► Momentum-space Feynman rule for interactions:

$$\int_{i}^{j} \sum_{k_{2},\dots,k_{4}}^{k_{1},\dots,k_{3}} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\{ g_{Vn} \gamma^{\mu} C \otimes C^{-1} \gamma_{\mu} + \frac{g_{Tn}}{2} \sigma^{\mu\nu} C \otimes C^{-1} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \right\} \widetilde{f}_{n}(k_{1}-k_{2}) \widetilde{f}_{n}(k_{3}-k_{4})$$

Kernel

- **Separable interaction**: initial & final momentum dependence factorize.
- (isospin dependence suppressed to compactify formula)
- $\tilde{f}_n(k)$ is Fourier transform of $f_n(z)$; I choose **Yukawa form**:

$$\widetilde{f}_n(k) \equiv \frac{\Lambda}{k^2 - \Lambda_n^2 + \mathrm{i}0}$$

- Λ_n is the regulator scale (non-locality scale).
- Each Λ_n can be different!

► Kernel encodes channels with multiple quantum numbers:

$$\gamma^{\mu}C \otimes C^{-1}\gamma_{\mu} = \left(\gamma^{\mu} - \frac{\not p p^{\mu}}{p^{2}}\right)C \otimes C^{-1}\left(\gamma_{\mu} - \frac{\not p p_{\mu}}{p^{2}}\right) + \frac{1}{p^{2}}\not pC \otimes C^{-1}\not p$$
spin-one spin-zero

$$\sigma^{\mu\nu}C \otimes C^{-1}\sigma_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{p^2} \sigma^{\mu p}C \otimes C^{-1}\sigma_{\mu p} + \left(\sigma^{\mu\nu} - \frac{\sigma^{\mu p}p^{\nu} - \sigma^{\nu p}p^{\mu}}{p^2}\right) C \otimes C^{-1}\left(\sigma^{\mu\nu} - \frac{\sigma^{\mu p}p^{\nu} - \sigma^{\nu p}p^{\mu}}{p^2}\right)$$

even parity odd parity

p is center-of-mass momentum (deuteron momentum)
 Need only structures with deuteron quantum numbers:

$$\gamma_V^\mu \equiv \gamma^\mu - \frac{\not p p^\mu}{p^2}$$

$$\gamma_T^\mu \equiv \frac{\mathrm{i}\sigma_{\mu p}}{\sqrt{p^2}}$$

• Other structures fully decouple in the T-matrix equation!

Bethe-Salpeter equation for the T-matrix

► Bethe-Salpeter equation (BSE) for T-matrix given by:



• **Separability** of interaction entails **separability** of T-matrix:

$$\mathcal{T}(p,k,k') = \sum_{\substack{n=1\\m=1}}^{N} \sum_{\substack{X=V,T\\m=1}} \frac{\Lambda_n}{k'^2 - \Lambda_n^2} \frac{\Lambda_m}{k^2 - \Lambda_m^2} \Big(\gamma_X^{\mu} C \otimes C^{-1} \gamma_{Y\mu} \Big) T_{XY}^{nm}(p^2)$$

• Helpful to arrange $T_{XY}^{nm}(p^2)$ into a matrix.

Matrix form of the T-matrix

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$$T(p^2) = \begin{bmatrix} T_{VV}^{11}(p^2) & T_{VT}^{11}(p^2) & T_{VV}^{12}(p^2) & T_{VT}^{12}(p^2) & \dots \\ T_{TV}^{11}(p^2) & T_{TT}^{11}(p^2) & T_{TV}^{12}(p^2) & T_{TT}^{12}(p^2) & \dots \\ T_{VV}^{21}(p^2) & T_{VT}^{21}(p^2) & T_{VV}^{22}(p^2) & T_{VT}^{22}(p^2) & \dots \\ T_{TV}^{21}(p^2) & T_{TT}^{21}(p^2) & T_{TV}^{22}(p^2) & T_{TT}^{22}(p^2) & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

- $N \times N$ grid of 2×2 block matrices.
- ▶ With this, the Bethe-Salpeter equation will become an algebraic matrix equation!

Elements of the Bethe-Salpeter equation



$$K = \begin{bmatrix} g_{V1} & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & g_{T1} & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & g_{V2} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

 $\Pi(p^2) = \underbrace{Y, m}_{X, n}$

 $T(p^2) = K - K\Pi(p^2)T(p^2)$

► T-matrix solution given by:

$$T(p^2) = (1 + K\Pi(p^2))^{-1}K$$

► Deuteron bound state pole exists where:

$$\det\left(1 + K\Pi(p^2 = M_{\mathrm{D}}^2)\right) = 0$$

Deuteron vertex from residues at pole:

$$T(p^2 \approx M_{\rm D}^2) \approx -\frac{1}{p^2 - M_{\rm D}^2} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1^2 & \alpha_1\beta_1 & \alpha_1\alpha_2 & \dots \\ \alpha_1\beta_1 & \beta_1^2 & \alpha_2\beta_1 & \dots \\ \alpha_1\alpha_2 & \alpha_2\beta_1 & \alpha_2^2 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

- α and β are coefficients in deuteron Bethe-Salpeter vertex.
- Correct normalization automatically from solving Bethe-Salpeter equation.

► The result of all this is a deuteron Bethe-Salpeter vertex:

$$\Gamma^{\mu}_{\rm D}(p,k) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{\Lambda_n}{k^2 - \Lambda_n^2 + \mathrm{i}0} \Big\{ \alpha_n \gamma^{\mu}_V + \beta_n \gamma^{\mu}_T \Big\} C \tau_2$$

- ► Simple *k* dependence fixed by separable interaction.
- Can be used to **covariantly** calculate all sorts of observables.
- Relationship to fundamental model parameters:

$$\{\Lambda_n, g_{Vn}, g_{Tn}\} \to \{M_{\mathsf{D}}, \alpha_n, \beta_n\}$$

- One constraint from empirical $M_{\rm D}$ value.
- ► More constraints from empirical properties, e.g. charge radius.
- More constraints from good behavior of non-relativistic limit!

► Non-relativistic, momentum-space wave function:

$$\psi_{\rm NR}(\boldsymbol{k},\lambda) \sim \frac{-1}{\sqrt{8M_{\rm D}}} \frac{\bar{u}(\boldsymbol{k},s_1)(\Gamma_{\rm D}\cdot\varepsilon_\lambda)\bar{u}^{\rm T}(-\boldsymbol{k},s_2)}{\boldsymbol{k}^2 + m\epsilon_{\rm D}}$$

• Working out the Dirac matrix algebra and using the limit $k^2 \ll m^2$ will give:

$$B_0 = \sqrt{m\epsilon_{\rm D}}$$
$$B_n = \Lambda_n$$

• u(k) is S-wave, w(k) is D-wave.

The Sum-of-Yukawas parametrization

► This is a standard parametrization for deuteron wave functions:

$$u(k) = \sum_{j=0}^{N} \frac{C_j}{k^2 + B_j^2} \qquad \qquad w(k) = \sum_{j=0}^{N} \frac{D_j}{k^2 + B_j^2}$$

- First used by Paris group, Lacombe *et al.*, PLB 101 (1981) 139
- ► Entails coordinate-space forms:

$$u(r) = \sum_{j=0}^{N} C_j \,\mathrm{e}^{-B_j r} \qquad \qquad w(r) = \sum_{j=0}^{N} D_j \,\mathrm{e}^{-B_j r} \left(1 + \frac{3}{B_j r} + \frac{3}{(B_j r)^2}\right)$$

- Requires $B_0 = \sqrt{\epsilon_{\rm D} m}$ to get the right large-*r* behavior. (Check!)
- Require the following for correct $r \to 0$ behavior:

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N} C_j = \sum_{j=0}^{N} D_j = \sum_{j=0}^{N} D_j B_j^{-2} = \sum_{j=0}^{N} D_j B_j^{2} = 0$$

- These impose *extra constraints* on separable kernel.
- Need $N \ge 3$ for non-zero D-wave.

Two ideas

- 1. Old idea: use the $\{B_j, C_j, D_j\}$ from an existing wave function to build deuteron vertex
 - Numerically unstable; finely-tuned cancelations
 - Saw some success by refitting with fewer terms; less accuracy
- 2. New idea: build a minimal consistent model
 - Smallest *N* consistent with non-zero D-wave
 - ► Fit parameters to static deuteron properties
 - I'll pursue this idea here

Minimal separable model

- One typically uses $B_j = B_0 + B'j$ (just 1 parameter for the B_j 's).
- ▶ N = 3 smallest model with non-zero D-wave and correct $r \rightarrow 0$ behavior.
 - 2N + 3 = 8 parameters.
- 4 constraints from $r \rightarrow 0$ behavior, 1 from normalization.
 - 2N 2 = 4 *free* parameters.
- Empirical D/S asymptotic ratio can add another constraint:

$$\lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{w(r)}{u(r)} = \frac{D_0}{C_0} = \eta_{D/S} = 0.0256(4)$$

- ► Last 3 parameters can be set with 3 electromagnetic properties.
 - Charge radius (r_d), magnetic moment (μ_d), quadrupole moment (Q_d)
- One can obtain the kernel parameters from the Yukawa parametrization:

$$\{C_j\}, \{D_j\} \to \{\alpha_n\}, \{\beta_n\} \to \{g_{Vn}\}, \{g_{Tn}\}$$

Non-relativistic wave function



- ► Softer D-wave than AV18 & Paris
- Harder D-wave than CD-Bonn

Things to do with this framework

- Electromagnetic form factors (obtained!)
- Collinear parton distributions (obtained!)
 - Includes b_1 structure function and EMC ratio.
- Gravitational form factors (in progress)
 - Manifest covariance helpful here.
 - Previous non-covariant work (AF & Cosyn, PRD) found inconsistencies in EMT components.
 - Currently hit a snag in separable model calculations (open to advice/suggestions!)
- Generalized parton distributions (in progress)
 - GPDs are the **main goal** of this project.
 - Existing deuteron GPDs violate polynomiality.
 - Manifest covariance of this framework *guarantees* polynomiality.

Electromagnetic current of deuteron

Sum of nucleon impulse and two-body currents:



- ► Two-body current uniquely determined by gauge invariance.
- ► Non-local interaction requires Wilson lines.
- ► Diagrams can be evaluated *exactly* in the separable model!
 - Symbolic algebra program needed though—results are *long* (hundreds of lines of generated Fortran code)
 - Results are covariant too.

Electromagnetic current: triangle diagram

► Nucleon impulse given by **triangle diagram**



• Can use standard nucleon form factors in vertex;

$$= \gamma^{\mu} F_{1N}(t) + \frac{\mathrm{i}\sigma^{\mu\Delta}}{2m_N} F_{2N}(t)$$

• Using Kelly parametrization; meaning to try Ye *et al*.

Electromagnetic current: bicycle diagram

► Two-body currents given by **bicycle diagram**



► Derived from Wilson lines in vertex:

• A free Lagrangian for pointlike nucleons might look like:

$$\mathscr{L} = \overline{\psi}(x) \left(\frac{\mathrm{i}}{2}\overleftrightarrow{\partial} - eA(x)\right)\psi(x) - \frac{e\kappa}{4m_N}F_{\mu\nu}(x)\overline{\psi}(x)\sigma^{\mu\nu}\psi(x)$$

• Effectively, $F_{1N}(t) = 1$ and $F_{2N}(t) = \kappa$.

- Anomalous magnetic moment in non-minimal Puali coupling.
- Smearing this over spacetime might look like:

$$\begin{split} \mathscr{L} &= \frac{\mathrm{i}}{2} \overline{\psi}(x) \overleftarrow{\partial} \psi(x) - e \int \mathrm{d}^4 y \, \widetilde{F}_{1N}(y) \overline{\psi}(x) \mathcal{A}(x+y) \psi(x) \\ &- \frac{e}{4m_N} \int \mathrm{d}^4 y \, \widetilde{F}_{2N}(y) F_{\mu\nu}(x+y) \overline{\psi}(x) \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi(x) \end{split}$$

- Wilson lines should be smeared if minimal coupling is.
- F_{1N} is what smears the non-minimal coupling.
- ► Foreshadowing: it's less clear what to do for gravitational structure of vertex.

Electromagnetic form factors

Standard form factor breakdown:



Often use Sachs-like form factors:

$$G_{C}(t) = G_{1}(t) - \frac{t}{6M_{D}^{2}}G_{Q}(t)$$

$$G_{M}(t) = G_{2}(t)$$

$$G_{Q}(t) = G_{1}(t) - G_{2}(t) + \left(1 - \frac{t}{4M_{D}^{2}}\right)G_{3}(t)$$

Coulomb form factor

magnetic form factor

quadrupole form factor

Model results for form factors



	Empirical	Model (total)	Impulse approx.	Two-body current
r_d (fm)	2.12799	2.126	2.127	-0.0776
μ_d (μ_N)	0.8574382284	0.876	0.876	0
Q_d (e-fm ²)	0.2859	0.296	0.286	0.010

► Model has mixed success.

- Better at smaller -t.
- ► Two-body currents are significant.

Electromagnetic structure



Virtual Compton scattering amplitude

Sum of **convolution** and **two-body current** diagrams:



Diagrams evaluated in the Bjorken limit:

$$\stackrel{q}{\longrightarrow} \sum_{q} e_q^2 \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{2\pi} \, \mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}x_D p^+ z^-} \overline{q} \left(-\frac{z^-}{2}\right) \gamma^+ q\left(\frac{z^-}{2}\right)$$

- Here $0 < x_D < 1$, in contrast to usual normalization.
- $0 < x_{Bj} = \frac{M_d}{m_N} x_D < \frac{M_d}{m_N} \approx 2$ is the usual variable.
- x_D is easier to use in calculations.
- Compare empirical data in terms of x_{Bj} .

Triangle diagram

• Effective **triangle diagram** (Bjorken limit):



► Convolution formula results:

$$H_i(x_D,\xi,t,Q^2;\lambda) = \sum_{N=p,n} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\mathrm{d}y}{|y|} \left[h_i(y,\xi,t;\lambda) H_N\left(\frac{x_D}{y},\frac{\xi}{y},t,Q^2\right) + e_i(y,\xi,t;\lambda) E_N\left(\frac{x_D}{y},\frac{\xi}{y},t,Q^2\right) \right]$$

Forward limit ($t \rightarrow 0$) gives standard PDF convolution:

$$q_d(x_D, Q^2; \lambda) = \sum_{N=p,n} \int_{x_D}^1 \frac{\mathrm{d}y}{y} f(y; \lambda) q_N\left(\frac{x_D}{y}, Q^2\right)$$

Light cone density (triangle diagram)

• **Light cone density**: a PDF assuming pointlike nucleons.



$$\xrightarrow[]{\text{pointlike nucleons}} f(y;\lambda)$$

Nucleon sum rule obeyed:

$$\sum_{N=p,n} \int_0^1 \mathrm{d} y \, f(y;\lambda) = 2$$

Momentum sum rule *seemingly* violated!

$$\sum_{N=p,n} \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}y \, y f(y;\lambda) = \begin{cases} 1.0042 & : \ \lambda = \pm 1 \\ 0.9978 & : \ \lambda = 0 \end{cases}$$

Interaction carries momentum



Bicycle diagram

• Effective **bicycle diagram** (Bjorken limit):



► New Feynman rule for operator insertion:

$$\int_{i,k_{2}}^{j,k_{1}} \int_{j',k_{4}}^{i',k_{3}} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{X} g_{X} S \left\{ \tilde{h}_{X}^{+}(k,0) \left(\delta(xp^{+}-k_{1}^{+}) + \delta(xp^{+}-k_{2}^{+}) \right) \tilde{f}_{X}(k') \right\}$$

$$-\tilde{f}_{X}(k)\tilde{h}_{X}^{+}(k',0)\left(\delta(xp^{+}-k_{3}^{+})+\delta(xp^{+}-k_{4}^{+})\right)\right\}\left(\gamma_{X}^{\nu}C\tau_{2}\right)_{i'j'}\left(C^{-1}\tau_{2}\overline{\gamma}_{X\nu}\right)_{ij}$$

- ...assuming pointlike nucleon.
- ► Use convolution formula to fold in *NN* vertex structure???

Light cone density (triangle+bicycle)



- Momentum sum rule obeyed.
 - Saved by the bicycle diagram!
 - Also makes LCD symmetric.
- ► Slight negative support.
 - Either a flaw with the framework ...
 - ...or a feature of renormalization?
 cf. Collins, Rogers & Sato, PRD (2022)

$$f_U(y) = \frac{f(y,0) + f(y,+1) + f(y,-1)}{3}$$
$$f_T(y) = f(y,0) - \frac{f(y,+1) + f(y,-1)}{2}$$

• Deuteron PDFs via convolution:

$$q_d(x_D, Q^2; \lambda) = \sum_{N=p,n} \int_{x_D}^1 \frac{\mathrm{d}y}{y} q_N\left(\frac{x_D}{y}, Q^2\right) f(y; \lambda) \left(\frac{4}{\sum_{\substack{a \in A \\ a \in A}}}\right)$$

- ► Use JAM PDFs for nucleon.
 - C. Cocuzza *et al.*, PRD106 (2022) L031502
- ► Same PDF for triangle & bicycle diagrams.
 - ► Plot in terms of

$$x = x_{\rm Bj} \equiv \frac{Q^2}{2m_N\nu} = \frac{M_d}{m_N} x_D \approx 2x_D$$

► This is the *standard x* variable.



DIS structure functions



► Use free nucleon PDFs inside both triangle & bicycle diagrams.

- Use JAM22 PDFs.
- **Unpolarized** $F_{2D}(x_{Bj}, Q^2)$ structure function.
 - Looks reasonable.
 - But no EMC effect when using free PDFs.
- **Tensor-polarized** $b_{1D}(x_{Bj}, Q^2)$ structure function looks standard.
 - ► Total (blue curve) looks similar to Cosyn &al., PRD (2017).
 - Can't explain HERMES b_1 data.

► The energy-momentum tensor describes **density** and **flow** of energy & momentum.



Noether's theorems and spacetime distortions

• Conserved current from *local* spacetime translations (**Noether's second theorem**):





- ► **Noether's theorems**: symmetries imply conservation laws
- Local translation: move spacetime differently everywhere
- ► The **energy-momentum tensor** is a response to these deformations

$$\Delta S_{\rm QCD} = \int \mathrm{d}^4 x \, T^{\mu\nu}_{\rm QCD}(x) \partial_\mu \xi_\nu(x)$$

- Conserved if the action is invariant
- Basically, equivalent to doing a gravitational gauge transform.

AF, Phys. Rev. D 106 (2022) 125012

Gravitational form factors

The energy-momentum tensor is parametrized using gravitational form factors

- ► It's just a name.
- The energy-momentum tensor is the source of gravitation
- But we don't really use gravitation to measure them
- ► Spin-zero example:

$$\langle p'|\hat{T}^{\mu\nu}(0)|p\rangle = 2P^{\mu}P^{\nu}A(t) + \frac{1}{2}(\varDelta^{\mu}\varDelta^{\nu} - \varDelta^{2}g^{\mu\nu})D(t)$$

- A(t) encodes momentum density
- D(t) encodes stress distributions (anisotropic pressures)
- ► Mix of both encodes energy density



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► Nucleon impulse given by **triangle diagram**



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Using Mamo-Zahed model for form factors.

Energy-momentum currents: bicycle diagram

• Two-body currents given by **bicycle diagram**



▶ Derived from Noether's second theorem—*assuming pointlike nucleons*:

$$\begin{array}{c}
 j \\
 i \\
 i \\
 i \\
 i \\
 i \\
 i \\
 j'
 \end{array} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{X} g_X \left\{ \tilde{h}_X^{*\{\mu}(k,q) k^{\nu\}} \tilde{f}_X(k') - \tilde{f}_X(k) \tilde{h}_X^{*\{\mu}(k',q) k'^{\nu\}} \right\}$$

$$\times \left(\gamma_X^{\nu} C \tau_2\right)_{i'j'} \left(C^{-1} \tau_2 \overline{\gamma}_{X\nu}\right)_{ij} - g^{\mu\nu} \times \text{kernel}$$

- How to fold in nucleon structure?
- Trying $A_N(t)$ at first but there are issues.

Gravitational form factors for spin-one targets

Spin-one breakdown:

$$\begin{split} \langle p', \lambda' | T_{\mu\nu}(0) | p, \lambda \rangle &= -2P_{\mu}P_{\nu} \left[(\epsilon'^{*}\epsilon)\mathcal{G}_{1}(t) - \frac{(\Delta\epsilon'^{*})(\Delta\epsilon)}{2M_{D}^{2}}\mathcal{G}_{2}(t) \right] \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2}(\Delta_{\mu}\Delta_{\nu} - \Delta^{2}g_{\mu\nu}) \left[(\epsilon'^{*}\epsilon)\mathcal{G}_{3}(t) - \frac{(\Delta\epsilon'^{*})(\Delta\epsilon)}{2M_{D}^{2}}\mathcal{G}_{4}(t) \right] \\ &\quad + P_{\{\mu} \left(\epsilon_{\nu\}}^{\prime*}(\Delta\epsilon) - \epsilon_{\nu\}}(\Delta\epsilon'^{*}) \right) \mathcal{G}_{5}(t) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \left[\Delta_{\{\mu} \left(\epsilon_{\nu\}}^{\prime*}(\Delta\epsilon) + \epsilon_{\nu\}}(\Delta\epsilon'^{*}) \right) - \epsilon_{\{\mu}^{\prime*}\epsilon_{\nu\}}\Delta^{2} - g_{\mu\nu}(\Delta\epsilon'^{*})(\Delta\epsilon) \right] \mathcal{G}_{6}(t) \\ &\quad + \epsilon_{\{\mu}^{\prime*}\epsilon_{\nu\}}M_{D}^{2}\mathcal{G}_{7}(t) + g_{\mu\nu}M_{D}^{2}(\epsilon'^{*}\epsilon)\mathcal{G}_{8}(t) + \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}(\Delta\epsilon'^{*})(\Delta\epsilon)\mathcal{G}_{9}(t) \end{split}$$

- Well, that's a lot. (Nine form factors!)
- $\mathcal{G}_{7-9}(t) = 0$ required by energy/momentum conservation!

The conserved form factors



The \mathcal{G}_7 problem



- $\mathcal{G}_7(t)$ should vanish at all t.
 - ► Follows from energy conservation.
- Only works out at t = 0.
- t = 0 values related to LCD (check!)

$$\begin{split} \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}y \, y f_T^{\mathrm{tri}}(y) &= \mathcal{G}_7^{\mathrm{tri}}(t) \\ \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}y \, y f_T^{\mathrm{bi}}(y) &= \mathcal{G}_7^{\mathrm{bi}}(t) \end{split}$$

- ► Part of the *t* dependence from nucleon form factors.
 - Was I wrong to multiply bicycle diagram by $A_N(t)$?
 - If so, then what's right—and how to derive?
- Important to resolve before moving on to GPDs— $\mathcal{G}_7(t)$ appears in GPD sum rules!

Outlook

- Presented a covariant model of deuteron structure.
 - Separable kernel.
 - Bethe-Salpeter equation solvable in Minkowski spacetime.
 - Covariance means GPDs *will obey polynomiality*.
- ► Reproduced known deuteron properties in this framework.
 - ► Necessary sanity check.
 - **Two-body currents** (bicycle diagrams) must be accounted for!
- Much more to be done:
 - Energy momentum tensor and gravitational form factors.
 - **Generalized parton distributions** (the main purpose of this project!)

Thank you for your time!