

Logarithmic critical slowing down in complex systems: From statics to dynamics

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We consider second-order phase transitions in which the order parameter is a replicated overlap matrix. We focus on a tricritical point that occurs in a variety of mean-field models and that, more generically, describes higher-order liquid-liquid or liquid-glass transitions. We show that the static replicated theory implies slowing down with a logarithmic decay in time. The dynamical equations turn out to be those predicted by schematic mode-coupling theory for supercooled viscous liquids at a A_3 singularity, where the parameter exponent is $\lambda = 1$. We obtain a quantitative expression for the parameter μ of the logarithmic decay in terms of cumulants of the overlap, which are physically observable in experiments or numerical simulations.

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I. INTRODUCTION

In the present work we study a peculiar kind of critical slowing down occurring in the dynamics of slowly relaxing complex glassy systems in which the correlation function of the relevant dynamic variables decays logarithmically in time. This is different from the usual behavior of, e.g., the correlation function of density fluctuations in supercooled liquid next to the dynamic arrest occurring in mean-field theories for glasses, somehow describing the real-world (off-equilibrium) glass transition of liquid glass-formers. In that case the correlator next to the transition displays a two-step behavior: towards a plateau at short times and from the plateau towards zero correlation at longer times, the plateau becoming longer and longer as the external parameters bring the system nearer to the dynamic arrest line in the phase diagram. In Götze's mode-coupling theory (MCT) [1–4] a dynamic arrest critical point is referred to as an A_2 singularity, according to the classification of Arnold's catastrophes theory. The critical point corresponding to a logarithmic decay is, instead, an A_3 cusp singularity, a tricritical point signaling the end point of a liquid-liquid (or glass-glass) dynamic transition.

More in detail, the behavior in time of the correlation function $C(t)$ in the time-translational-invariant (TTI) regime at the ground of MCT is usually characterized by an initial power-law decay t^{-a} towards a constant value, often related to the β relaxation occurring in glass formers, and by a decay $-t^b$ from the plateau of $C(t)$ as the liquid system begins approaching thermodynamic equilibrium. The exponents a and b are related by the well-known formula for the so-called

“parameter exponent:”

$$\lambda = \frac{\Gamma^2(1-a)}{\Gamma(1-2a)} = \frac{\Gamma^2(1+b)}{\Gamma(1+2b)}, \quad (1)$$

holding at the dynamical A_2 singularity of the MCT for undercooled viscous liquids, $\Gamma(x)$ being the gamma function. By changing the values of the external parameters, a dynamic arrest line can be drawn in the phase diagram consisting of A_2 points. In given systems the exponent parameter λ tends to 1 along the dynamic arrest line, approaching an A_3 point. In that limit the exponent a tends to zero and logarithmic corrections become relevant to the relaxation.

Hereafter, we present a general method for the quantitative computation of the coefficient of the logarithmic decay of the density-density correlation functions in viscous liquids. Götze and Sjögren [5] predicted a $1/\ln t^2$ decay exactly at the A_3 singularity and a behavior of the kind $-(\ln t)^\gamma$ as $a \sim 0$, $\lambda \sim 1$. Their exemplifying case is the F_{13} mode-coupling schematic theory [4]. However, in this case the A_3 singularity cannot be directly accessed in experiments or in numerical simulations because it occurs in the region of the phase diagram pertaining to the glassy phase, beyond the dynamic arrest line where TTI breaks down and the MCT does not hold anymore. Therefore, in the liquid phase the presence of the A_3 singularity is only felt in weakly logarithmic corrections to the power-law β decay in regions of the space parameters (temperature, packing fraction,...) close enough to it. Other systems displaying this kind of singularity include disordered spin-glass models [6–10], liquids in porous media, both in the MCT [11, 12] and in the hypernetted-chain approximations [13, 14], and liquid models with pinned particles [15]. The $-\ln t$ behavior of the correlation function appears to be the correct fitting law for about a decade or two in most of the known experiments and numerical simulations of repulsive colloids [4, 16–19]. Also

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cases where the A_3 singularity is directly accessible from the liquid phase are devised in MCT, for instance, in the F_{12} schematic model [4]. The quantitative estimation of the parameters of the logarithmic behavior can, so far, be performed exactly only in MCT schematic theories. Moreover, as, e.g., in the case of the F_{13} model, the A_3 singularities lie in the region where one of the fundamental assumptions on which MCT is built, TTI does not hold.

In many systems the replica method offers a way to characterize dynamical arrest phenomena in a purely static framework which is often simpler than a dynamical approach. It is, therefore, natural to assume that universal static critical properties can be obtained *a la* Landau from simple assumptions on the (replicated) Gibbs free energy at the corresponding critical point. A decade ago it was realized that replicated theories also determine important features of critical glassy dynamics [20–24]. Notably, they give the same scale-invariant equations for the critical correlators that are often obtained by studying the actual dynamical equations of these systems. An important consequence is that the exponent parameter λ , Eq. (1), can be computed in a static replicated theory.

In this paper we consider a class of replicated theories for which $\lambda = 1$ and show that they predict a logarithmic decay of the correlation as obtained within MCT at the A_3 singularity. Furthermore, we show that the coefficient describing the logarithmic decay can be quantitatively expressed in terms of static quantities that can be measured at equilibrium, and we provide the formula (18), which is the most notable result of the present work.

The paper is organized as follows. In Sec. II we present the general framework and the results. In Sec. III we derive the equations for critical dynamics, starting from the replicated theory. In Sec. IV we report the general expansion of the free energy. In Sec. V we connect the free energy with the Gibbs free energy and we derive the main results. In Sec. VI we give our conclusions. In Appendix we report the 23 fourth-order vertices, as well as their associated cumulant combinations.

II. OUTLINE OF THE RESULTS

The framework of this paper is a Landau approach to glassiness based on replicated theories. In a Landau approach one does not start from any specific microscopic model, and instead, (i) identifies an order parameter, (ii) makes some assumptions on the structure of the corresponding Gibbs free energy near a critical point, and (iii) explores the consequences of these assumptions. The corresponding results display a great deal of universality, because the assumptions of the structure of the Gibbs free energy can be valid for many different models, often with completely different microscopic structures. On the other hand, to be concrete, one can usually exhibit solvable mean-field models whose Gibbs free energy, as given by a first-principles computation, has precisely the required structure. Solvable models are typically obtained considering either long-range models or taking the limit of infinite dimensions. Later in this section we will mention a few mean-field models to which our general findings apply.

We will follow and expand the derivation of Ref. [24], considering theories in which the argument of the Gibbs free

energy $G(Q)$ is a replicated matrix Q_{ab} with $a = 1, \dots, n$. The replica number n in these theories is usually continued from integer to real continuous values, and we will take into account the two important cases $n \rightarrow 0$ and $n \rightarrow 1$. Such Q_{ab} matrix naturally appears in spin glasses where, due to the presence of quenched disorder, one resorts for technical reasons to the replica method. From a physical point of view, the order parameter to identify a glassy phase, i.e., a “multiequilibria” phase composed by many different states, cannot rely on an absolute reference for a state, since no *a priori* clear pattern is provided because of frustration. As a consequence, the order parameter is built on the similarity between different states, more precisely, on the whole range (hierarchy) of possible similarities, summed up in a probability distribution for the values of the overlap matrix elements. In this case Q_{ab} is naturally identified with the average of the overlap between two different replicas of the system,

$$Q_{ab} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \overline{\langle s_i^a s_i^b \rangle}, \quad (2)$$

where the s_i , $i = 1, \dots, N$, are spins. For the case $n \rightarrow 0$, the angle brackets are thermal averages and the overline is the average over the quenched disorder. The case $n \rightarrow 1$ applies to problems where for each disorder realization there are many metastable excited states whose number grows exponentially with the size of the system. In this latter case, then, the angle brackets represent thermal averages *inside a metastable state* and the overline represents averages over different metastable states *and* over the quenched disorder.

It has been argued that a replicated order parameter may be the relevant one whenever the frozen state is amorphous, because to detect symmetry breaking we have to compare it with itself. This has led to the extension of the replica method to structural glasses [25–29] and more recently to the development of the theory of supercooled liquids in the limit of infinite dimensions [30]. In this context Q_{ab} is naturally identified with the averaged density-density fluctuations in the momentum space in a replicated system at some wave vector \mathbf{k} ,

$$Q_{ab} \equiv \frac{1}{V} \langle \delta \rho_a^*(\mathbf{k}) \delta \rho_b(\mathbf{k}) \rangle, \quad (3)$$

where $\rho_a(k)$ is the Fourier transform

$$\rho_a(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{i=1}^N e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}_i^{(a)}}$$

of the density of N particles of the replica a at positions $\mathbf{r}_{i,a}$, $i = 1, \dots, N$,

$$\rho(\mathbf{r}^{(a)}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \delta(\mathbf{r}^{(a)} - \mathbf{r}_i^{(a)}),$$

and $\delta \rho_a(\mathbf{k})$ is the fluctuation of $\rho_a(\mathbf{k})$ with respect to its average $\langle \rho_a(\mathbf{k}) \rangle$. We note that choice of \mathbf{k} in Eq. (3) is arbitrary and one could consider, instead, the mean-square displacement [30]. We refer the reader to Sec. II B of [31] for a thorough discussion of the choice of the order parameter.

In mean-field models we expect that the Gibbs free energy has a regular expansion in powers of the order parameter at the

critical point; therefore we will consider the following replica-symmetric theory written in terms of $\delta Q_{ab} \equiv Q_{ab} - Q_c$, where Q_c is the value of the order parameter at the critical point and $\delta Q_{aa} = 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 G(\delta Q) = & \frac{m_1}{2} \sum_{ab}^{1,n} \delta Q_{ab}^2 + \frac{m_2}{2} \sum_{abc}^{1,n} \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{ac} \\
 & + \frac{m_3}{2} \sum_{abcd}^{1,n} \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{cd} - \frac{w_1}{6} \text{Tr} \delta Q^3 - \frac{w_2}{6} \sum_{ab}^{1,n} \delta Q_{ab}^3 \\
 & - \frac{1}{24} \left[y_1 \text{Tr} \delta Q^4 + y_2 \sum_{ab}^{1,n} \delta Q_{ab}^4 \right. \\
 & \left. + y_3 \sum_{abc}^{1,n} \delta Q_{ab}^2 \delta Q_{ac}^2 + y_4 \sum_{abc}^{1,n} \delta Q_{ab}^2 \delta Q_{ac} \delta Q_{cb} \right]. \quad (4)
 \end{aligned}$$

The above expression can be obtained from a microscopic description in a variety of contexts [30,32]. In the above expression we have retained only the terms relevant for the present discussion (the y_3 term actually vanishes, as will be shown in Sec. III A), while the complete expression has actually eight third-order terms and twenty-three fourth-order terms that will be displayed later, in Appendix. At the end of Sec. IV we will explain why the other terms can be neglected. We will focus on critical points characterized by the condition $m_1 = 0$. Depending on the values of the remaining parameters and on the replica number n we may have different types of transition. Three such transitions, discussed in detail in [24], are

- (1) $m_2 = m_3 = 0$ and replica number $n \rightarrow 0$, which corresponds to a standard spin-glass (SG) transition in zero field or to the so-called degenerate A_2 singularity within MCT,
- (2) $m_2 \neq 0 \neq m_3$ and replica number $n \rightarrow 0$, that corresponds to the SG transition in a field that occurs along the de Almeida-Thouless line [6,32], and
- (3) $m_2 \neq 0 \neq m_3$ and replica number $n \rightarrow 1$, which corresponds to the dynamical transition in SG systems that is the well-known A_2 singularity in MCT [31,33].

In dynamics one is typically interested in the correlation $C(t)$ between the configuration of the system at time $t = 0$ and the configuration of the system at time t , which is the dynamical counterpart of the two-point order parameter Q_{ab} . In spin systems it is naturally defined as

$$C(t) \equiv \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \overline{\langle s_i(0) s_i(t) \rangle}, \quad (5)$$

while in structural glasses it is given by

$$C(t) \equiv \frac{1}{V} \langle \delta \rho^*(\mathbf{k}, 0) \delta \rho(\mathbf{k}, t) \rangle. \quad (6)$$

In the liquid or paramagnetic phase the function $C(t)$ decays exponentially, but the correlation time diverges at the critical point. As mentioned in the Introduction, it has been shown [24] that the structure of the replicated Gibbs free energy at the critical point determines also the essential features of critical dynamics. More precisely, in the case of the SG transition (i) one can show that the TTI correlation at large time differences

t is described by

$$C(t) = m_1 f\left(\frac{t}{t^*}\right) \quad t \gg 1 \quad (7)$$

for small positive m_1 , where the timescale t^* grows like

$$t^* \propto \frac{1}{m_1^a},$$

the exponent a is a solution of the equation

$$\frac{w_2}{w_1} = \frac{\Gamma^2(1-a)}{\Gamma(1-2a)}, \quad (8)$$

and the function $f(x)$ obeys the scale-invariant equation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 = & f(x) + f^2(x) \left(1 - \frac{w_2}{w_1}\right) \\
 & + \int_0^x [f(x-y) - f(x)] f(y) dy. \quad (9)
 \end{aligned}$$

The solution of the above equation diverges as $1/x^a$ for $x \rightarrow 0$ and goes exponentially to zero for $x \rightarrow \infty$. Precisely at $m_1 = 0$ the correlation undergoes critical slowing down and decays as a power law with exponent a , rather than as an exponential. Similar results are obtained for transitions (ii) and (iii), as, e.g., for the SK model in a field, the p -spin spherical and Ising models, the random orthogonal model, or the Potts model [20–23]. In particular, for the transition of type (iii), one recovers exactly the same scale-invariant equations of the critical correlators in MCT (i.e., Eq. 6.55a in Ref. [4]), with the parameter exponent given by

$$\lambda = \frac{w_2}{w_1}. \quad (10)$$

The above results show that critical dynamics at the three transitions considered is universal, because it follows solely from the structure of the replicated Gibbs free energy. Furthermore, the above relationship extends the range of predictions that the replica approach can provide. Besides, the connection between the replicated Gibbs free energy and the parameter exponent leads to a connection with connected correlation functions of the order parameter: the proper vertexes w_2 and w_1 in Eq. (4) are associated to vertexes of the free-energy function of fields in the replica space coupled to the overlap fluctuations, which are given by the connected correlation functions of δQ_{ab} . For instance, one obtains that

$$\frac{w_2}{w_1} = \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_1}, \quad (11)$$

where ω_1, ω_2 are six-point functions given, respectively, by

$$\omega_1 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle_c \langle s_j s_k \rangle_c \langle s_k s_i \rangle_c}, \quad (12)$$

$$\omega_2 = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle_c^2}, \quad (13)$$

where the suffix c stands for *connected* correlation functions. As mentioned before, we recall that for transitions (i) and (ii) ($n \rightarrow 0$) the angle brackets in the above expressions stand for thermal averages and the overline stands for the average over the quenched disorder. For transition (iii) ($n \rightarrow 1$) the angle

brackets in the above expression stand for thermal averages *inside* a metastable state and the overline stands for the average over the different metastable states and over the quenched disorder.

In this paper we extend the above analysis to a class of critical points characterized by a replicated Gibbs free energy of the type (4) but with $w_2 = w_1 \equiv w$, i.e., with $\lambda = 1$. To be specific, let us give a few examples of solvable mean-field models that display such a transition. Let us consider the most general fully connected spin-glass models with multi- p -spin interactions:

$$\mathcal{H} = - \sum_p \sum_{i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_p} J_{i_1 \dots i_p} s_{i_1} \dots s_{i_p}, \quad (14)$$

where the J 's are quenched random interactions and the s_i can be either Ising spin or satisfy a spherical constraint. In the spherical three-spin case, in the presence of a magnetic field there is a tricritical point with $\lambda = 1$ in the temperature–magnetic field plane where a line of discontinuous transitions meets a line of continuous transitions [6,34]. Another example is that of a mixed 2 + 3 model that corresponds to the so-called schematic F_{12} model in the context of MCT. In the phase diagram, e.g., in the plane of the magnitudes of the two-spin and the three-spin interaction, there is a $\lambda = 1$ critical point. Upon increasing the relative magnitude of the three-spin interaction, a line of continuous transitions meets a line of discontinuous transitions [9,35]. Random pinning of a spherical p -spin-glass model, i.e., freezing a fraction c of the spins [10,15], is also relevant: in the temperature–concentration plane there is a line of discontinuous transitions that, upon increasing the concentration, ends in a point characterized by $\lambda = 1$. Finally, we mention the Potts spin glass with Hamiltonian,

$$\mathcal{H} = - \sum_{i < j} J_{ij} (p \delta_{s_i s_j} - 1), \quad (15)$$

where the s_i are Potts spins with p states and J_{ij} is a quenched random interaction. For $p \leq 4$ it displays a continuous SG transition characterized by $\lambda = (p - 2)/2$, which implies $\lambda = 1$ for $p = 4$, in both the fully connected [22,36] and the finite-connectivity case [37].

If $\lambda = 1$ the correlation cannot decay with a power law because Eqs. (10) or (1) yield $a = b = 0$. Indeed, for all the three types of transitions we will show that at large times,

$$C(t) - C(\infty) = \frac{2\pi^2}{3\mu \ln^2(t/t_1)} + \frac{24\zeta(3)}{\mu \ln^3(t/t_1)} \ln \ln(t/t_1) + \dots, \quad (16)$$

where $\zeta(i)$ is the Riemann's ζ function and t_1 is an unknown timescale that cannot be determined due to the timescale invariance of the equation. We note that this expression was obtained by Götze and Sjögren [5] within MCT in the context of the so-called A_3 singularities [4], and indeed, we will derive the same dynamical equations. The parameter μ in Eq. (16) depends on the quartic coupling constants of the replicated Gibbs free energy (4) through

$$\mu = - \frac{y_1 + y_2 - y_4}{3w}. \quad (17)$$

As usual, the coefficients of the Gibbs free energy can be expressed in terms of four-point connected correlation functions of the order parameter and, thus, we will show that the parameter μ can be calculated in terms of physical measurable observables as

$$\mu = - \frac{r}{3\omega} (v_1 + v_2 - v_4), \quad (18)$$

where $r \equiv \chi_{SG}^{-1}$, χ_{SG} is the so-called spin-glass susceptibility:

$$\chi_{SG} \equiv \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle_c^2}, \quad (19)$$

whereas ω is either given by ω_1 or ω_2 defined in Eqs. (12) and (13), since they are equal at the critical point that we are considering. Eventually, the v 's are the fourth-order analogs of the ω 's. As we show in Sec. IV, their expressions turn out to be

$$v_1 \equiv \frac{3}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle_c \langle s_j s_k \rangle_c \langle s_k s_l \rangle_c \langle s_l s_i \rangle_c}, \quad (20)$$

$$v_2 \equiv \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k s_l \rangle_c^2}, \quad (21)$$

$$v_4 \equiv \frac{6}{N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle_c \langle s_i s_j s_l \rangle_c \langle s_l s_k \rangle_c}. \quad (22)$$

We will also consider the critical behavior of the physical susceptibilities. In particular, we will show that close to the critical point, where r vanishes linearly with the external parameters (in mean-field models), the three-point susceptibilities ω_i , $i = 1, 2$ diverge as

$$\omega_i = \frac{w_i}{r^3} \quad (23)$$

and the four-point susceptibilities v_i , $i = 1, \dots, 4$, diverge as

$$v_i = O\left(\frac{1}{r^5}\right). \quad (24)$$

However, the linear combination $v_1 + v_2 - v_4$ associated to μ is less divergent if $w_1 = w_2$, as it turns out to obey the following relationship:

$$v_1 + v_2 - v_4 = 6 \frac{(w_1 - w_2)^2}{r^5} + \frac{y_1 + y_2 - y_4}{r^4}. \quad (25)$$

Equations (16), (17), (18), and (25) are the main results of this paper and will be derived in the following. In particular, Eqs. (16) and (17) will be derived in the following section. In Sec. IV the free energy will be introduced, and the expression of its coefficients (20)–(22) will be derived. Eventually, Eq. (18) will be derived in Sec. V.

III. DERIVATION OF THE EQUATIONS OF CRITICAL DYNAMICS

In this section we show how the expression (16) can be derived from the static replicated Gibbs free energy (4). We first differentiate it with respect to the order parameter δQ_{ab} ,

obtaining the following equation of state:

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 = & w_1(\delta Q^2)_{ab} + w_2\delta Q_{ab}^2 + \frac{y_1}{3}(\delta Q^3)_{ab} + \frac{y_2}{3}\delta Q_{ab}^3 \\
 & + \frac{y_3}{6}\delta Q_{ab}[(\delta Q^2)_{aa} + (\delta Q^2)_{bb}] + \frac{y_4}{6}\delta Q_{ab}(\delta Q^2)_{ab} \\
 & + \frac{y_4}{12}\sum_c [\delta Q_{ac}^2\delta Q_{cb} + \delta Q_{bc}^2\delta Q_{ca}]. \quad (26)
 \end{aligned}$$

Now we translate the above equation into an equation for the dynamical correlation, valid at large times and near the critical point. We will briefly sketch the arguments leading to this mapping, but we refer the reader to Ref. [24] for all the details of the procedure. The result is obtained in the context of a super-field formulation of dynamics [38] in which both the dynamical correlation and response functions are represented by a single dynamical order parameter $Q(1, 2)$ in terms of (commuting) times $t_{1,2}$ and Grassmannian anticommuting variables $\theta_{1,2}, \bar{\theta}_{1,2}$.

A. Theories with $n = 0$

At equilibrium $Q(1, 2)$ can be parameterized by a single time-translational-invariant correlation function $C(t) = C(-t)$ according to the following form that encodes causality and the fluctuation-dissipation theorem (FDT):

$$Q(1, 2) = \left\{ 1 + \Theta_{12} \frac{\partial}{\partial t_1} \right\} C(t_1 - t_2), \quad (27)$$

with

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Theta_{12} & \equiv \frac{1}{2}(\bar{\theta}_1 - \bar{\theta}_2)[\theta_1 + \theta_2 - (\theta_1 - \theta_2) \operatorname{sgn}(t_1 - t_2)] \\
 & = \begin{cases} (\bar{\theta}_1 - \bar{\theta}_2)\theta_2, & t_1 > t_2 \\ (\bar{\theta}_1 - \bar{\theta}_2)\theta_1, & t_2 > t_1. \end{cases} \quad (28)
 \end{aligned}$$

We note that this representation is appropriate for the phase transitions characterized by a replicated free energy with $n = 0$, whereas for $n = 1$ a different representation must be considered ([24], Sec. III D v). We postpone the discussion of this case to the end of this section. On general grounds it is to be expected that the dynamical order parameter $Q(1, 2)$ at large times must be related to the static order parameter Q_{ab} . Indeed, as noted in [38], the static result is obtained in the so-called fast motion (FM) limit that corresponds to an infinitely fast microscopic dynamics. In this limit configurations at different times are completely uncorrelated and they are equivalent to different replicas of the same system. As a consequence, in this limit $Q_{FM}(1, 2)$ has a diagonal structure:

$$Q_{FM}(1, 2) = \delta(1, 2)[C(0) - C(\infty)] + C(\infty), \quad (29)$$

where $\delta(1, 2)$ is a delta function in the supervariables, and $C(0), C(\infty)$ are the values of the correlation at zero and infinite time, respectively. It is useful to describe the dynamics at large but not infinite times in terms of the deviation of $Q(1, 2)$ from its FM limit, introducing the quantity

$$\delta Q(1, 2) = Q(1, 2) - Q_{FM}(1, 2). \quad (30)$$

The dynamical equations for $Q(1, 2)$ can be obtained from a dynamical Gibbs free energy, and one may expect that the critical dynamics is determined *a la* Landau by its expansion

in powers of $\delta Q(1, 2)$. In [24] it is argued that the dynamical Gibbs free energy *must have the same structure of the replicated Gibbs free energy with the same coupling constants* and, therefore, Eq. (26) translates into an identical equation for $\delta Q(1, 2)$.

In the following we will rewrite Eq. (26) with $\delta Q_{ab} \rightarrow \delta Q(1, 2)$ as an equation for $C(t)$. In order to simplify the computation, we observe that all the terms are obtained from $\delta Q(1, 2)$ through the operation of exponentiation of matrix elements and dot products. These operations preserve supersymmetry, time reversal, zero ghost number, and causality (see [38], Sec. 5.5), and therefore their result can still be written in the form (27), which is the most general form satisfying these properties. Using an appropriate even function $A(\tau)$, the generic exponentiation corresponds to a simple power:

$$A(1, 2)^k = \left\{ 1 + \Theta_{12} \frac{\partial}{\partial t_1} \right\} A^k(t_1 - t_2). \quad (31)$$

The dot product corresponds to

$$\int A(1, 3)B(3, 2) d3 = \left\{ 1 + \Theta_{12} \frac{\partial}{\partial t_1} \right\} [AB](t_1 - t_2), \quad (32)$$

where the function $[AB](t)$ stands for

$$\begin{aligned}
 [AB](t) & = A(t)B(0) + B(t)A(0) - A(\infty)B(-\infty) \\
 & \quad - \frac{d}{dt} \int_0^t A(t-y)B(y)dy. \quad (33)
 \end{aligned}$$

One can check that if both $A(t)$ and $B(t)$ are even functions, then $[AB](t)$ is even and $[AB](t) = [BA](t)$. We recall that $\delta Q(1, 2)$ is also of the form (27) with $\delta C(t) = C(t) - C_{FM}(t)$, where $C_{FM}(t)$ obeys $C_{FM}(0) = C(0)$ and $C_{FM}(0^+) = C(\infty)$. Therefore, by construction we have that $\delta C(0) = \delta C(\infty) = 0$, and this simplifies considerably the evaluation of the various terms. Using the two rules (31) and (32), we can translate all the terms of Eq. (26) into expressions of their dynamical counterparts. For the quadratic terms we have

$$w_1(\delta Q^2)_{ab} \rightarrow -w_1 \frac{d}{dt} \int_0^t \delta C(t-y) \delta C(y) dy, \quad (34)$$

$$w_2 \delta Q_{ab}^2 \rightarrow w_2 \delta C^2(t). \quad (35)$$

In order to make contact with the MCT notation of Ref. [5], we define

$$\delta C(t) \equiv G(t) \quad (36)$$

and introduce the Laplace transform of the time functions as [4]

$$\hat{A}(z) = LT[A(t)](z) \equiv i \int_0^\infty A(t) e^{izt} dt, \quad \operatorname{Im}[z] > 0. \quad (37)$$

The formulas for the transforms of the convolution and of the time derivative are repeatedly used in the following derivation and we write them explicitly:

$$LT \left[\int_0^t A(t-y)B(y)dy \right] = -i\hat{A}(z)\hat{B}(z), \quad (38)$$

$$LT \left[\frac{dA(t)}{dt} \right] = -iz\hat{A}(z). \quad (39)$$

We also define $(G^2)(t)$ as the time derivative of the convolution, cf. Eq. (33):

$$(G^2)(t) \equiv -\frac{d}{dt} \int_0^t G(t-y) G(y) dy. \quad (40)$$

The contributions of the quadratic terms can now be expressed as

$$w_1 (\delta Q^2)_{ab} \rightarrow w_1 z \hat{G}^2(z), \quad (41)$$

$$w_2 \delta Q_{ab}^2 \rightarrow w_2 LT[G^2(t)], \quad (42)$$

while those of the cubic terms can be expressed as

$$\frac{y_1}{3} (\delta Q^3)_{ab} \rightarrow \frac{y_1}{3} z^2 \hat{G}^3(z), \quad (43)$$

$$\frac{y_2}{3} \delta Q_{ab}^3 \rightarrow \frac{y_2}{3} LT[G^3(t)], \quad (44)$$

$$\frac{y_3}{6} \delta Q_{ab} (\delta Q^2)_{aa} + (\delta Q^2)_{bb} \rightarrow 0, \quad (45)$$

$$\frac{y_4}{6} \delta Q_{ab} (\delta Q^2)_{ab} \rightarrow \frac{y_4}{6} LT[G(t)(G^2)(t)], \quad (46)$$

$$\frac{y_4}{12} \sum_c [\delta Q_{ac}^2 \delta Q_{cb} + \delta Q_{bc}^2 \delta Q_{ca}] \rightarrow \frac{y_4}{6} z \hat{G}(z) LT[G^2(t)]. \quad (47)$$

We stress that in order to compute the vanishing term proportional to y_3 , we have used the fact that, according to Eqs. (32) and (33),

$$AB(1, 1) = [AB](0) = A(0)B(0) - A(\infty)B(-\infty), \quad (48)$$

which implies

$$(\delta Q^2)_{aa} \rightarrow \delta C(0)^2 - \delta C^2(\infty) = 0. \quad (49)$$

Dividing Eq. (26) by w_1 and multiplying by z , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = z \left\{ \frac{w_2}{w_1} LT[G^2(t)] + z \hat{G}^2(z) \right\} \\ + \frac{y_1 + y_2 - y_4}{3w_1} z LT[G^3(t)] \\ - \frac{2y_1 - y_4}{6w_1} z \{LT[G^3(t)] - z^2 \hat{G}^3(z)\} \\ + \frac{y_4}{6w_1} z \{LT[G^3(t)] + z \hat{G}(z) LT[G^2(t)]\} \\ + \frac{y_4}{6w_1} z \{LT[G(t)(G^2)(t)] + z^2 \hat{G}^3(z)\}, \quad (50) \end{aligned}$$

where we have just rearranged the various term for later convenience. Shortening $\mu \equiv (y_1 + y_2 - y_4)/(3w_1)$, the first two lines correspond to the equation

$$0 = z \left\{ \frac{w_2}{w_1} LT[G^2(t)] + z \hat{G}^2(z) \right\} - \mu z LT[G^3(t)], \quad (51)$$

considered by Götze and Sjögren [5], who showed that its solution at leading order follows the logarithmic decay of Eq. (16). Our equation (50) has the same form except for the additional terms of the last three lines. In order to characterize its solution one introduces an auxiliary function g by setting

$G(t) = g[\ln(t/t_1)]$. Following [5] we introduce the variable

$$y \equiv \ln \frac{1}{-izt_1},$$

and changing the integration variable in the Laplace transform from t to $u \equiv -izt$, we obtain the relationship

$$-z \hat{G}(z) = \int_0^\infty du e^{-u} g(y + \ln u). \quad (52)$$

The Taylor expansion around y gives

$$-z \hat{G}(z) = g(y) + \Gamma_1 g'(y) + \frac{1}{2} \Gamma_2 g''(y) + \dots, \quad (53)$$

where

$$\Gamma_n \equiv \int_0^\infty du e^{-u} (\ln u)^n. \quad (54)$$

It follows that for a generic product the Laplace transform reads

$$\begin{aligned} -z LT[G_1^p(t)G_2^q(t)](z) \\ = g_1^p g_2^q + \Gamma_1 (p g_1' g_1^{p-1} g_2^q + q g_2' g_2^{q-1} g_1^p) \\ + \frac{1}{2} \Gamma_2 [p(p-1) g_1'' g_1^{p-2} g_2^q + pq g_1' g_2' g_1^{p-1} g_2^{q-1} \\ + q(q-1) g_2'' g_2^{q-2} g_1^p] + \dots \quad (55) \end{aligned}$$

The integrals Γ_n can be expressed as polynomials of degree n of the Euler's constant $\gamma = -\Gamma_1$, with coefficients given by combinations of Riemann's zeta function up to $\zeta(n)$. Furthermore, given any two functions $G_1(t)$ and $G_2(t)$ and the corresponding functions g_1 and g_2 , we have.¹

$$-z \{LT[G_1(t)G_2(t)] + z \hat{G}_1(z) \hat{G}_2(z)\} = \zeta(2) g_1' g_2' + \dots, \quad (56)$$

where $\zeta(2) = \pi^2/6$. With the help of the above formulas we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} z \{LT[G^2(t)] + z \hat{G}^2(z)\} &= -\zeta(2) (g')^2 \\ &\quad + 2[\gamma \zeta(2) + \zeta(3)] g' g'' \\ &\quad + \dots \\ z LT[G^3(t)] &= -g^3 + 3\gamma g^2 g' + \dots \\ z \{LT[G^3(t)] - z^2 \hat{G}^3(z)\} &= O(g (g')^2) \\ z \{LT[G^3(t)] + z \hat{G}(z) LT[G^2(t)]\} &= O(g (g')^2) \\ z \{LT[G(t)(G^2)(t)] + z^2 \hat{G}^3(z)\} &= O(g (g')^2). \quad (57) \end{aligned}$$

To derive the above formulas we used the fact that the last three lines are all of the form $-z \{LT[G_1(t)G_2(t)] + z \hat{G}_1(z) \hat{G}_2(z)\}$. At leading order, at the tricritical point $w_1 = w_2$, Eq. (51) becomes

$$-\frac{2\pi^2}{3} (g')^2 + \mu g^3 = 0, \quad (58)$$

whose solution is the leading order of Eq. (16). Since solving Eq. (58) one observes that at leading order $g = O(y^{-2})$, we also see that the leading corrections to the first two lines is

¹Note that there is a typographical error in Eq. (A9) in [5], the correct expression being the one displayed here, in Eq. (56).

$O(y^{-7})$ while the last three lines are $O(y^{-8})$. Higher-order terms, $O(\delta Q^4)$, in the equation of state would also give a contribution $O(y^{-8})$, and therefore, the subleading correction is solely determined by the subleading corrections to the first two lines in Eq. (50). The coefficient of the second line is, eventually, simply the combination μ , cf. Eq. (17). The solution at leading and subleading order is, eventually, the anticipated result of Eq. (16):

$$G(t) = \frac{2\pi^2}{3\mu \ln^2(t/t_1)} + \frac{24\zeta(3)}{\mu \ln^3(t/t_1)} \ln \ln(t/t_1) + \dots$$

B. Theories with $n = 1$

We now turn to the $n = 1$ case. This is relevant for the important case of the dynamic transition in SG models with one step of replica symmetry breaking and in glass-forming supercooled liquids [24,30,31,33,39]. As we mentioned before, here the dynamics has to be described in a formalism that takes into account the initial condition. The formulation is given in Sec. III D of Ref. [24], and a complete treatment is reported in [31]. We will not enter into the details hereafter, and we will limit ourselves to noting that the dynamical objects involved are, once again, the supersymmetric matrices $Q(1, 2)$. Inasmuch as we did above, these can be written in terms of a single TTI correlation function $C(t) = C(-t)$:

$$Q(1, 2) \rightarrow C(t). \quad (59)$$

Once again, Eq. (26) can thus be translated into an equation for $C(t)$. As we saw before, we only need to specify the analog for $n = 1$ of Eqs. (31) and (32), i.e., the behavior of element-wise products $A^k(1, 2)$ and dot products $\int A(1, 3)B(3, 2)d3$. For the products we just have [24]

$$A(1, 2)^k \rightarrow A^k(t_1 - t_2), \quad (60)$$

while for the dot product we have

$$\int A(1, 3)B(3, 2)d3 \rightarrow [AB](t_1 - t_2) \quad (61)$$

with [31]

$$[AB](t) = A(t)B(0) + B(t)A(0) - \frac{d}{dt} \int_0^t A(t-y)B(y)dy. \quad (62)$$

Note that this is *different* from Eq. (33) for the $n = 0$ dynamics due to the absence of the term $A(\infty)B(\infty)$. However, since we are computing products of $\delta Q(1, 2)$ and we have $\delta C(0) = \delta C(\infty) = 0$, the two expressions yield the same results. As a consequence, the mappings of (41)–(47) hold for $n = 1$. We stress that again Eq. (45) gives a vanishing contribution as

$$AB(1, 1) = [AB](0) = A(0)B(0) \quad (63)$$

[again, with no term $-A(\infty)B(\infty)$], and therefore

$$(\delta Q^2)_{aa} \rightarrow \delta C(0)^2 = 0. \quad (64)$$

The validity of the mappings implies that Eq. (50) holds also for $n = 1$ and, consequently, the same logarithmic relaxation behavior, cf. Eq. (16), is derived, with the same procedure performed for $n = 0$, in Sec. III A.

IV. EXPANSION OF THE REPLICATED FREE ENERGY AT FOURTH ORDER

In this section we express the coefficients of the *free energy* of a generic model in terms of physical observables, namely, the cumulants of the overlap. For the sake of clarity, in the following we will reproduce the derivation of the third-order expansion, initially reported in Ref. [24], while we will postpone to Appendix the derivation of the fourth-order result. For the sake of readability we might repeat some of the definitions already given before.

Averages in the replicated system can be rewritten as

$$\langle \dots \rangle \equiv \overline{\langle \dots \rangle_J}, \quad (65)$$

where $\langle \dots \rangle_J$ are thermal averages at fixed quenched disordered interactions J while the overline is the average over the couplings that must be performed reweighting each disorder realization with the single-system partition function to the power n :

$$\overline{O_J} = \frac{\int dP(J) O_J Z_J^n}{\int dP(J) Z_J^n}. \quad (66)$$

Note that the thermal averages between different replicas factorize prior to the disorder averages. We define the following free-energy functional:

$$F(\lambda) \equiv -\frac{1}{N} \ln \langle e^{\sum_{(ab)} N \lambda_{ab} \delta \tilde{Q}_{ab}} \rangle, \quad (67)$$

where

$$\delta \tilde{Q}_{ab} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i s_i^a s_i^b - q \quad (68)$$

and

$$q \equiv \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \langle s_i^a s_i^b \rangle = \sum_i \overline{\langle s_i \rangle_J^2}. \quad (69)$$

We note that the above free-energy functional arises if we apply to each spin s_i^a of each replica a Gaussian-distributed random field h_i^a with covariance matrix given by $\overline{h_i^a h_j^b} = \lambda_{ab} \delta_{ij}$. Following [24], we start by expanding $F(\lambda)$ in powers of λ at fourth order assuming $\lambda_{aa} = 0 \forall a$:

$$F(\lambda) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{(ab),(cd)} \lambda_{ab} G_{ab,cd} \lambda_{cd} - \frac{1}{6} \sum_{(ab),(cd),(ef)} \mathcal{W}_{ab,cd,ef} \lambda_{ab} \lambda_{cd} \lambda_{ef} - \frac{1}{24} \sum_{(ab),(cd),(ef),(gh)} \mathcal{Y}_{ab,cd,ef,gh} \lambda_{ab} \lambda_{cd} \lambda_{ef} \lambda_{gh}. \quad (70)$$

The G 's, the \mathcal{W} 's, and the \mathcal{Y} 's are, respectively, the connected correlation functions of order two, three, and four. In the replica symmetric case, the total number of different cumulants of order K , $\mathcal{C}_{a_1 b_1, \dots, a_K b_K}$ is given by the set of possible diagrams (connected and disconnected) with K legs with the condition that any leg connects different vertices (due to the assumption $\lambda_{aa} = 0$). We have thus only three possible values of G ,

$$G_{ab,ab} = G_1, \quad G_{ab,ac} = G_2, \quad G_{ab,cd} = G_3, \quad (71)$$

and eight possible values of \mathcal{W} as pictorially listed in Fig. 1:

$$\mathcal{W}_{ab,bc,ca} = \mathcal{W}_1, \quad \mathcal{W}_{ab,ab,ab} = \mathcal{W}_2, \quad \mathcal{W}_{ab,ab,ac} = \mathcal{W}_3, \quad \mathcal{W}_{ab,ab,cd} = \mathcal{W}_4, \quad (72)$$

$$\mathcal{W}_{ab,ac,bd} = \mathcal{W}_5, \quad \mathcal{W}_{ab,ac,ad} = \mathcal{W}_6, \quad \mathcal{W}_{ac,bc,de} = \mathcal{W}_7, \quad \mathcal{W}_{ab,cd,ef} = \mathcal{W}_8. \quad (73)$$

We want to recast the cubic part of the free energy in the following form:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{(ab),(cd),(ef)} \mathcal{W}_{ab,cd,ef} \lambda_{ab} \lambda_{cd} \lambda_{ef} &= \omega_1 \sum_{abc} \lambda_{ab} \lambda_{bc} \lambda_{ca} + \omega_2 \sum_{ab} \lambda_{ab}^3 + \omega_3 \sum_{abc} \lambda_{ab}^2 \lambda_{ac} + \omega_4 \sum_{abcd} \lambda_{ab}^2 \lambda_{cd} + \omega_5 \sum_{abcd} \lambda_{ab} \lambda_{ac} \lambda_{bd} \\ &+ \omega_6 \sum_{abcd} \lambda_{ab} \lambda_{ac} \lambda_{ad} + \omega_7 \sum_{abcde} \lambda_{ac} \lambda_{bc} \lambda_{de} + \omega_8 \sum_{abcdef} \lambda_{ab} \lambda_{cd} \lambda_{ef}. \end{aligned} \quad (74)$$

The above identity leads to the following relationships between the ω 's and the \mathcal{W} 's [40]:

$$\omega_1 = \mathcal{W}_1 - 3\mathcal{W}_5 + 3\mathcal{W}_7 - \mathcal{W}_8 \quad (75)$$

$$\omega_2 = \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{W}_2 - 3\mathcal{W}_3 + \frac{3}{2}\mathcal{W}_4 + 3\mathcal{W}_5 + 2\mathcal{W}_6 - 6\mathcal{W}_7 + 2\mathcal{W}_8 \quad (76)$$

$$\omega_3 = 3\mathcal{W}_3 - 3\mathcal{W}_4 - 6\mathcal{W}_5 - 3\mathcal{W}_6 + 15\mathcal{W}_7 - 6\mathcal{W}_8 \quad (77)$$

$$\omega_4 = \frac{3}{4}(\mathcal{W}_4 - 2\mathcal{W}_7 + \mathcal{W}_8) \quad (78)$$

$$\omega_5 = 3\mathcal{W}_5 - 6\mathcal{W}_7 + 3\mathcal{W}_8 \quad (79)$$

$$\omega_6 = \mathcal{W}_6 - 3\mathcal{W}_7 + 2\mathcal{W}_8 \quad (80)$$

$$\omega_7 = \frac{3}{2}\mathcal{W}_7 - \frac{3}{2}\mathcal{W}_8 \quad (81)$$

$$\omega_8 = \frac{1}{8}\mathcal{W}_8. \quad (82)$$

From the definition (67) we easily see that the coefficients of $F(\lambda)$ can be related to spin averages, in particular, G is precisely the dressed propagator:

$$G_{(ab),(cd)} \equiv -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \lambda_{ab} \partial \lambda_{cd}} F(\lambda) = N \langle \delta \tilde{Q}_{ab} \delta \tilde{Q}_{cd} \rangle. \quad (83)$$

In the following and in the previous expression, averages are always computed at $\lambda_{ab} = 0$. Assuming that we are in a replica symmetric phase, we obtain that $G_{(ab),(cd)}$ can take three possible values, depending on whether there are two, three, or four different replica indexes. The corresponding values are

$$G_1 \equiv N \langle \delta \tilde{Q}_{12}^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle (s_i s_j)^2 \rangle} - q^2, \quad (84)$$

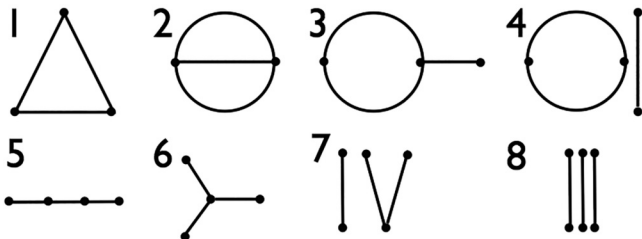


FIG. 1. Diagrams corresponding to the cubic cumulants \mathcal{W} .

$$G_2 \equiv N \langle \delta \tilde{Q}_{12} \delta \tilde{Q}_{13} \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} - q^2, \quad (85)$$

$$G_3 \equiv N \langle \delta \tilde{Q}_{12} \delta \tilde{Q}_{34} \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle (s_i)^2 \rangle \langle s_j \rangle^2} - q^2. \quad (86)$$

The cubic terms are given by the third derivative:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{W}_{(ab),(cd),(ef)} &\equiv -\frac{\partial^3}{\partial \lambda_{ab} \partial \lambda_{cd} \partial \lambda_{ef}} F(\lambda) \\ &= N^2 \langle \delta \tilde{Q}_{ab} \delta \tilde{Q}_{cd} \delta \tilde{Q}_{ef} \rangle_c \\ &= N^2 \langle \delta \tilde{Q}_{ab} \delta \tilde{Q}_{cd} \delta \tilde{Q}_{ef} \rangle, \end{aligned} \quad (87)$$

where the suffix c stands for connected functions with respect to the overlaps (not with respect to the spins), and the second equality follows from the fact that the average of $\delta \tilde{Q}_{ab}$ is zero by definition. The cubic cumulants can take eight possible values:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{W}_1 &= N^2 \langle \delta \tilde{Q}_{12} \delta \tilde{Q}_{23} \delta \tilde{Q}_{31} \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k s_i \rangle} - 3q \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} \\ &\quad + 2N^2 q^3, \end{aligned} \quad (88)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{W}_2 &= N^2 \langle \delta \tilde{Q}_{12}^3 \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle^2} - 3q \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2} + 2N^2 q^3, \end{aligned} \quad (89)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{W}_3 &= N^2 \langle \delta \tilde{Q}_{12}^2 \delta \tilde{Q}_{13} \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} \\ &\quad - q \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2} + 2N^2 q^3, \end{aligned} \quad (90)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{W}_4 &= N^2 \langle \delta \tilde{Q}_{12}^2 \delta \tilde{Q}_{34} \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2 \langle s_k \rangle^2} - 2q \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} \\ &\quad - q \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2} + 2N^2 q^3, \end{aligned} \quad (91)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{W}_5 &= N^2 \langle \delta \tilde{Q}_{12} \delta \tilde{Q}_{13} \delta \tilde{Q}_{24} \rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} \\
 &\quad - q \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} + 2N^2 q^3, \quad (92)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{W}_6 &= N^2 \langle \delta \tilde{Q}_{12} \delta \tilde{Q}_{13} \delta \tilde{Q}_{14} \rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} \\
 &\quad - 3q \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} + 2N^2 q^3, \quad (93)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{W}_7 &= N^2 \langle \delta \tilde{Q}_{12} \delta \tilde{Q}_{13} \delta \tilde{Q}_{45} \rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_k \rangle^2 \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} \\
 &\quad - q \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} + 2N^2 q^3, \quad (94)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{W}_8 &= N^2 \langle \delta \tilde{Q}_{12} \delta \tilde{Q}_{34} \delta \tilde{Q}_{56} \rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2 \langle s_k \rangle^2} \\
 &\quad - 3q \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} + 2N^2 q^3. \quad (95)
 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting the above expressions in the relationship between the ω 's and the \mathcal{W} we obtain

$$\omega_1 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle_c \langle s_j s_k \rangle_c \langle s_k s_i \rangle_c}, \quad (96)$$

$$\omega_2 = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle_c^2}, \quad (97)$$

$$\omega_3 = \frac{3}{N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle_c \langle s_i s_j \rangle_c \langle s_k \rangle_c}, \quad (98)$$

$$\omega_4 = \frac{3}{4N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{[\langle s_i s_j \rangle_c^2 \langle s_k \rangle_c^2 - \langle s_i s_j \rangle_c \langle s_k \rangle_c^2]}, \quad (99)$$

$$\omega_5 = \frac{3}{N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle_c \langle s_i s_k \rangle_c \langle s_k \rangle_c \langle s_j \rangle_c}, \quad (100)$$

$$\omega_6 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle_c \langle s_i \rangle_c \langle s_j \rangle_c \langle s_k \rangle_c}, \quad (101)$$

$$\omega_7 = \frac{3}{2N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{[\langle s_i s_j \rangle_c \langle s_i \rangle_c \langle s_j \rangle_c \langle s_k \rangle_c^2 - \langle s_i s_j \rangle_c \langle s_i \rangle_c \langle s_j \rangle_c \langle s_k \rangle_c^2]}, \quad (102)$$

$$\omega_8 = \frac{N^2}{8} \overline{(q_j - q)^3}. \quad (103)$$

We note that upon passing from the \mathcal{W} 's to the ω 's there is an increase in symmetry and simplicity; in particular, we

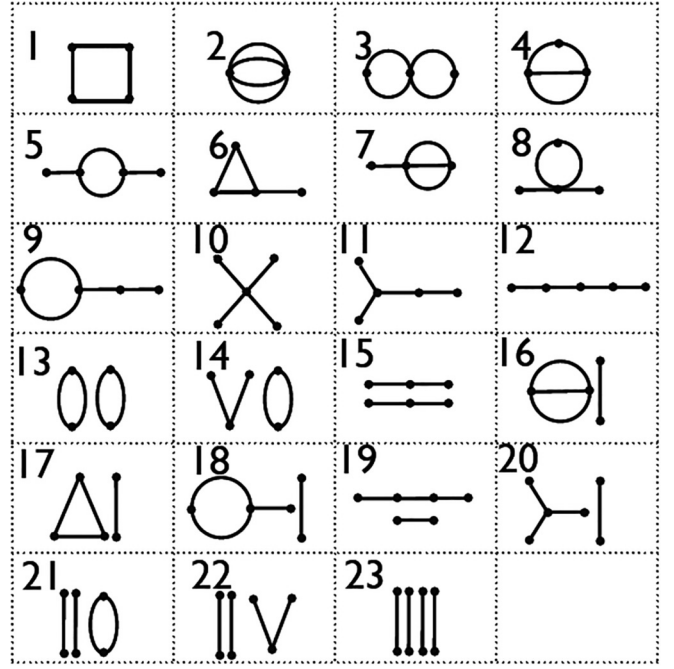


FIG. 2. Diagrams corresponding to the quartic cumulants \mathcal{Y} .

see that due to various cancellations ω_1 , ω_2 , ω_3 , ω_5 , and ω_6 have a single disorder average, ω_4 and ω_7 have a two disorder average, and only ω_8 has three disorder averages.

We now turn to the fourth-order contribution that involves the 23 diagrams shown in Fig. 2. These same diagrams have been also studied by Temesvári (see Appendix A in [41], note that we use a different naming convention). The expressions of the cumulants $\mathcal{Y}_{ab,cd,ef,gh}$ in terms of the physical observables can be obtained by differentiation, as we did before for the third order, cf. Eqs. (88)–(95). Again, we are not interested directly in the \mathcal{Y} cumulants but rather in those linear combinations of theirs, corresponding to the unrestricted sums over replicas indexes. In other words, we want to determine the 23 connected correlation functions v_i that satisfy the following equation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{1}{24} \sum_{(ab),(cd),(ef),(gh)} \mathcal{Y}_{ab,cd,ef,gh} \lambda_{ab} \lambda_{cd} \lambda_{ef} \lambda_{gh} \\
 &= \frac{1}{24} \left[v_1 \text{Tr} \lambda^4 + v_2 \sum_{ab} \lambda_{ab}^4 + v_3 \sum_{abc} \lambda_{ab}^2 \lambda_{ac}^2 \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + v_4 \sum_{abc} \lambda_{ab}^2 \lambda_{ac} \lambda_{cb} + \dots \right]. \quad (104)
 \end{aligned}$$

Inasmuch as in the cubic case, we should first associate to the coefficients \mathcal{Y}_i the appropriate averages of the overlap [corresponding to Eqs. (88)–(95) for the third order] and then separately determine the connection between the \mathcal{Y}_i 's and the v_i . Both computations are reported in Appendix. The results can then be used to derive the analog of expressions (96)–(103). In spite of the complexity of the intermediate passages, it turns out that the result is particularly simple for the four terms

explicitly included in Eq. (5), only three of which are relevant to compute the μ coefficient of the logarithmic decay. We find

$$v_1 = \frac{3}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle_c \langle s_j s_k \rangle_c \langle s_k s_l \rangle_c \langle s_l s_i \rangle_c}, \quad (105)$$

$$v_2 = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k s_l \rangle_c^2}, \quad (106)$$

$$v_3 = \frac{3}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k s_l \rangle_c \langle s_i s_j \rangle_c \langle s_k s_l \rangle_c}, \quad (107)$$

$$v_4 = \frac{6}{N} \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle_c \langle s_i s_j s_l \rangle_c \langle s_l s_k \rangle_c}. \quad (108)$$

We are now in a position to discuss why we retained only two cubic diagrams and four quartic diagrams in the Gibbs free energy (5). The key point is that the dynamical correlation $\delta Q(1, 2)$, for all the three transitions outlined in Sec. II, for $n = 0, 1$, satisfies the relationship

$$\int d1 d2 Q(1, 2) = \delta C(0) + (n-1)\delta C(\infty) = 0 \quad (109)$$

because $\delta C(0) = \delta C(\infty) = 0$. More generically, one can argue that any object formed from $\delta Q(1, 2)$ by means of products and index integrations that depends only on *one* index, e.g.,

$$A(1) \equiv \int [\delta Q(1, 2)]^5 [\delta Q(2, 3)]^6 \delta Q(2, 4) \delta Q(4, 1) d2 d3 d4, \quad (110)$$

vanishes because, upon computing it, one ends up with an expression that only depends on powers of $\delta C(0)$ and $\delta C(\infty)$. Actually, this is the same expression that one would obtain plugging into the above expression a replica symmetric matrix with diagonal elements equal to $\delta C(0)$ and off-diagonal elements equal to $\delta C(\infty)$.

The same is naturally true for objects that depend on no index at all. Therefore, we can neglect all *disconnected diagrams* in the Gibbs free energy, as they lead to terms containing factors that do not depend on either 1 or 2 in Eq. (26) obtained by differentiation with respect to $\delta Q(1, 2)$.

For the same reason, we can also neglect *diagrams with dangling hands* in the Gibbs free energy. Indeed, they contribute two types of terms to the equation: either a term with a dangling hand [that vanishes because of Eq. (109)] or terms that depend only on index 1 or 2 separately and thus vanish. More generically, any diagram that can be disconnected removing *one vertex* yields a vanishing contribution.

Diagrams with dangling hands are the simplest diagrams satisfying this property but not the only ones. Indeed, we could also have consistently ignored the term proportional to y_3 in expression (5) from the beginning, since removing the central vertex in the third diagram in Fig. 2 we have two disconnected graphs.

V. INVERSION OF THE LEGENDRE TRANSFORM: RELATIONS BETWEEN CUMULANTS AND VERTEX COEFFICIENTS

In this section we express the coefficients of the Gibbs free energy in terms of those of the free energy obtained in the previous section. The Gibbs free energy is defined as the Legendre transform of the free energy $F(\lambda)$:

$$G(\delta Q) \equiv F(\lambda) + \sum_{(ab)} \lambda_{ab} \delta Q_{ab}, \quad (111)$$

where λ is a function of δQ_{ab} according to the following implicit equation:

$$\delta Q_{ab} = -\frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda_{ab}}. \quad (112)$$

On the other hand, the free energy F is the Legendre transform of the Gibbs free energy G with

$$\lambda_{ab} = \frac{\partial G}{\partial \delta Q_{ab}}. \quad (113)$$

We consider the free-energy expansion Eq. (70), taking into account only those terms eventually relevant to describe the critical slowing down:

$$\begin{aligned} F(\lambda) = & -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{(ab),(cd)} \lambda_{ab} G_{ab,cd} \lambda_{cd} \\ & - \frac{\omega_1}{6} \omega_1 \text{Tr} \lambda^3 - \frac{\omega_2}{6} \sum_{ab} \lambda_{ab}^3 \\ & - \frac{v_1}{24} \text{Tr} \lambda^4 - \frac{v_2}{24} \sum_{ab} \lambda_{ab}^4 \\ & - \frac{v_4}{24} \sum_{abc} \lambda_{ab}^2 \lambda_{ac} \lambda_{ef}, \end{aligned} \quad (114)$$

leading to

$$\begin{aligned} \delta Q_{ab} = & -\frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda_{ab}} = G_{(ab)(cd)} \lambda_{cd} + \omega_1 (\lambda^2)_{ab} + \omega_2 \lambda_{ab}^2 \\ & + \frac{v_1}{3} (\lambda^3)_{ab} + \frac{v_2}{3} \lambda_{ab}^3 + \frac{v_4}{6} \lambda_{ab} (\lambda^2)_{ab} \\ & + \frac{v_4}{12} \sum_c (\lambda_{ac}^2 \lambda_{cb} + \lambda_{bc}^2 \lambda_{ca}), \end{aligned} \quad (115)$$

where

$$G_{(ab)(cd)} = \begin{cases} G_1 & (ab) = (cd) \\ G_2 & (b = d) \vee (a = c). \\ G_3 & a \neq c \wedge b \neq d \end{cases} \quad (116)$$

The inverse $M = G^{-1}$ matrix displays the generic form

$$\begin{aligned} M_{(ab)(cd)} = & r(\delta_{ac} \delta_{bd} + \delta_{ad} \delta_{bc}) \\ & + (M_2 - M_3)(\delta_{ac} + \delta_{ad} + \delta_{bc} + \delta_{bd}) + M_3 \end{aligned} \quad (117)$$

with

$$r \equiv M_1 - 2M_2 + M_3 = \frac{1}{G_1 - 2G_2 + G_3}. \quad (118)$$

Using the above properties and neglecting terms without both indexes a and b (irrelevant in the present context), we

can invert Eq. (115), yielding to the fourth order,

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{ab} = & r\delta Q_{ab} - \omega_1 r^3 (\delta Q^2)_{ab} - \omega_2 r^3 \delta Q_{ab}^3 \\ & + \left(2r^5 \omega_1^2 - r^4 \frac{v_1}{3}\right) (\delta Q^3)_{ab} + \left(2r^5 \omega_2^2 - r^4 \frac{v_2}{3}\right) \delta Q_{ab}^3 \\ & + \left(r^5 \omega_1 \omega_2 - r^4 \frac{v_4}{12}\right) \sum_c (\delta Q_{ac}^2 \delta Q_{cb} + \delta Q_{ac} \delta Q_{cb}^2) \\ & + \left(2r^5 \omega_1 \omega_2 - r^4 \frac{v_4}{6}\right) \delta Q_{ab} (\delta Q^2)_{ab}. \end{aligned} \quad (119)$$

Comparing the above expression with Eqs. (4) and (26), we find the relationships between the cumulants ω , v and the vertex coefficients w , y :

$$y_1 = -6r^5 \omega_1^2 + r^4 v_1 \quad (120)$$

$$y_2 = -6r^5 \omega_2^2 + r^4 v_2 \quad (121)$$

$$y_4 = -12r^5 \omega_1 \omega_2 + r^4 v_4 \quad (122)$$

$$w_1 = r^3 \omega_1 \quad (123)$$

$$w_2 = r^3 \omega_2. \quad (124)$$

At the tricritical point, the expression for the logarithmic decay parameter μ , cf. Eq. (17), can be expressed in terms of cumulants as

$$\mu = -\frac{y_1 + y_2 - y_4}{3w_1} = -r \frac{v_1 + v_2 - v_4}{3\omega_1}, \quad (\lambda = 1) \quad (125)$$

where we explicitly used the fact that the exponent parameter is $\lambda = 1 = \omega_2/\omega_1$. From Eqs. (120)–(124) we notice that though each vertex coefficient singularly diverges as r^{-5} , their combination $y_1 + y_2 - y_4$, for $w_1 = w_2$, diverges as r^{-4} , thus yielding a finite μ when power-law critical slowing down (described by means of the third-order expansion when $\lambda \neq 1$) is no longer defined. To clearly see this we can express the quartic susceptibilities in term of the coupling constants:

$$v_1 + v_2 - v_4 = 6 \frac{(w_1 - w_2)^2}{r^5} + \frac{y_1 + y_2 - y_4}{r^4}. \quad (126)$$

This shows that whenever $w_1 \neq w_2$ the critical behavior of the quartic susceptibility is $O(r^{-5})$ and it is controlled by the cubic coupling constants. Instead, when $w_1 = w_2$ the quartic susceptibility is less divergent $O(r^{-4})$ and it is controlled by the quartic coupling constants.

VI. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper we have demonstrated that the structure of the replicated Gibbs free energy near a critical point characterized by $w_1 = w_2$ implies a logarithmic decay of dynamical correlations. This allows us to characterize the asymptotic critical dynamics in a variety of systems where the equilibrium statics can be studied by means of the replica method but the microscopic dynamical equations are difficult to solve, including Ising spin-glass models, Potts spin-glass models, and the hard-spheres models in the limit of infinite dimension.

The connection between static and dynamics is also quantitative, in the sense that the parameter controlling the logarithmic decay can be read from the static Gibbs free

energy and, thus, it can be expressed in terms of connected correlation functions of the overlap fluctuations that can be measured statically from equilibrium configurations. This is significant from the point of view of numerical simulations of glassy systems, as often one can use clever algorithms to obtain equilibrium configurations much faster than the standard dynamical microscopic evolution [42–44].

The emergence of logarithmic slowing down, being a consequence solely of the Gibbs free-energy structure, has a great deal of universality. Indeed, many models that can be utterly different from each other at the microscopic level can in principle be described by the same Landau theory. Note that we have written the expression of μ in terms of observables for spin systems, but it can be easily rewritten for particles systems, as we explained in Sec. II. Thus the relationship between μ and experimental observables is completely general: it would be important to work out in full the connection between these cumulants and higher-order nonlinear susceptibilities that can be measured in experiments [45].

It is also interesting to mention two instances in which there is instead no connection between logarithmic slowing down and connected correlation functions of the overlap fluctuations. This is provided by the Fredrickson-Andersen kinetically constrained model on the Bethe lattice with either random pinning [46] or with nonhomogeneous facilitation [47,48]. The analytical solution of these models [49] has indeed allowed demonstration and quantification the logarithmic slowing down as given by Eq. (16), but a thermodynamic analysis of the model has revealed that there is no connection between the observed MCT-like dynamics and connected correlation functions of the overlap that are not divergent at the critical point [50], i.e., Eq. (18) does not hold.

The results presented here have a mean-field nature, and their relevance for realistic models in finite dimensions, say two and three, in principle is not granted. This issue notwithstanding, analytical predictions like those derived here and more generally those of mode-coupling theory are typically used to describe successfully numerical and experimental data in the context of supercooled liquids and colloids [4,16–19]. A relevant exception is the discontinuous dynamical arrest transition that is known to become a crossover in finite dimensions: it has been argued that this phenomenon is precisely due to long-wavelength fluctuations that destroy the mean-field theory below the upper critical dimension 8 [31,33,51–54]. In the spin-glass literature the relevance of mean-field theory for realistic systems is an essential question [55–57], but it is typically discussed in a purely static context and there is at present no understanding of the fate of the dynamical power-law (and logarithmic) decays found in mean-field theory.

It should be also noted that we have been considering equilibrium dynamics, and therefore the results are limited to the temperature regime in which the system can still be thermalized and there is no aging. Nonetheless, it is not unlikely that, with more effort, the analysis can be extended to the aging regime, as it is known that static replicated theories can be connected to off-equilibrium dynamics as well [22,58].

As a final technical remark we note that upon passing from restricted to unrestricted replica summations the corresponding coefficients considerably simplify. This can be seen comparing the coefficients \mathcal{W}_i in the free-energy

expansion (70) with the ω_i in Eq. (74) and comparing the \mathcal{Y}_i with the ν_i in Eq. (104). It turns out that one can find a simple set of diagrammatic rules to directly compute the unrestricted coefficients, i.e., the ω_i , the ν_i , and those at higher orders, without the lengthy intermediate passages.²

APPENDIX: FOURTH-ORDER CUMULANTS

The fourth-order coefficients of the free energy read as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{Y}_1 &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{bc} \delta Q_{cd} \delta Q_{da} \rangle_c \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k s_l \rangle \langle s_l s_i \rangle} - 4q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} \\ &\quad + 2Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} + 4Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} - 3q^4 N^3 - 2NG_2^2 - NG_3^2\end{aligned}\quad (\text{A1})$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{Y}_2 &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{12}^4 \rangle_c \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k s_l \rangle^2} - 4q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle^2} + 6Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2} - 3q^4 N^3 - 3NG_1^2\end{aligned}\quad (\text{A2})$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{Y}_3 &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab}^2 \delta Q_{bc}^2 \rangle_c \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i s_j s_k s_l \rangle \langle s_k s_l \rangle} - 4q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} \\ &\quad + 4Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} + 2Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2} - 3q^4 N^3 - NG_1^2 - 2NG_2^2\end{aligned}\quad (\text{A3})$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{Y}_4 &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{bc} \delta Q_{ac}^2 \rangle_c \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_i s_j s_l \rangle \langle s_k s_l \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k s_i \rangle} \\ &\quad + 5Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} + Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2} - 3q^4 N^3 - NG_1 G_2 - 2NG_2^2\end{aligned}\quad (\text{A4})$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{Y}_5 &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{bc}^2 \delta Q_{cd} \rangle_c \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_j s_k s_l \rangle \langle s_l \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} \\ &\quad + Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} + 4Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} + Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2} - 3q^4 N^3 - 2NG_2^2 - NG_1 G_3\end{aligned}\quad (\text{A5})$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{Y}_6 &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{bc} \delta Q_{ca} \delta Q_{cd} \rangle_c \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i s_k s_l \rangle \langle s_k s_i \rangle \langle s_l \rangle} - q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} - q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k s_i \rangle} \\ &\quad + Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} + 5Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} - 3q^4 N^3 - 2NG_2^2 - NG_2 G_3\end{aligned}\quad (\text{A6})$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{Y}_7 &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{bc}^3 \rangle_c \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k s_l \rangle \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_j s_k s_l \rangle} - q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle^2} - 3q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} \\ &\quad + 3Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} + 3Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2} - 3q^4 N^3 - 3NG_1 G_2\end{aligned}\quad (\text{A7})$$

²L. Leuzzi and T. Rizzo (unpublished).

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{Y}_8 &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{bc}^2 \delta Q_{bd} \rangle_c \\
&= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k s_l \rangle \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_l \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} \\
&\quad + 5Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} + Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2} - 3q^4 N^3 - 2NG_2^2 - NG_1 G_2
\end{aligned} \tag{A8}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{Y}_9 &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab}^2 \delta Q_{bc} \delta Q_{cd} \rangle_c \\
&= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k s_l \rangle \langle s_l \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} \\
&\quad - q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2 \langle s_k \rangle^2} - q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} \\
&\quad + 2Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} + 3Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} + Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2} - 3q^4 N^3 - NG_1 G_2 - 2NG_2 G_3
\end{aligned} \tag{A9}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{Y}_{10} &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{ac} \delta Q_{ad} \delta Q_{ae} \rangle_c \\
&= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k s_l \rangle \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_k \rangle \langle s_l \rangle} - 4q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} + 6Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} - 3q^4 N^3 - 3NG_2^2
\end{aligned} \tag{A10}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{Y}_{11} &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{bc} \delta Q_{bd} \delta Q_{de} \rangle_c \\
&= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_k s_l \rangle \langle s_l \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} - q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} - q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} \\
&\quad + 2Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} + 4Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} - 3q^4 N^3 - NG_2^2 - 2NG_2 G_3
\end{aligned} \tag{A11}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{Y}_{12} &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{bc} \delta Q_{cd} \delta Q_{de} \rangle_c \\
&= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k s_l \rangle \langle s_l \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} + 3Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} \\
&\quad + 3Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} - 3q^4 N^3 - NG_2^2 - NG_3^2 - NG_2 G_3
\end{aligned} \tag{A12}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{Y}_{13} &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab}^2 \delta Q_{cd} \rangle_c \\
&= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2 \langle s_k s_l \rangle^2} - 4q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2 \langle s_k \rangle^2} + 4Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} + 2Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2} - 3q^4 N^3 - NG_1^2 - 2NG_3^2
\end{aligned} \tag{A13}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{Y}_{14} &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab}^2 \delta Q_{cd} \delta Q_{de} \rangle_c \\
&= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2 \langle s_k \rangle \langle s_k s_l \rangle \langle s_l \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2 \langle s_k \rangle^2} \\
&\quad + 4Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} + Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} + Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2} - 3q^4 N^3 - NG_1 G_2 - 2NG_3^2
\end{aligned} \tag{A14}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{Y}_{15} &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{bc} \delta Q_{de} \delta Q_{ef} \rangle_c \\
&= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_k \rangle \langle s_k s_l \rangle \langle s_l \rangle} - 4q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} \\
&\quad + 4Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} + 2Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} - 3q^4 N^3 - NG_2^2 - 2NG_3^2
\end{aligned} \tag{A15}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{Y}_{16} &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab}^3 \delta Q_{cd} \rangle_c \\
&= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle^2 \langle s_l \rangle^2} - q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle^2} - 3q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2 \langle s_k \rangle^2} \\
&\quad + 3Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} + 3Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2} - 3q^4 N^3 - 3NG_1 G_3
\end{aligned} \tag{A16}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{Y}_{17} &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{bc} \delta Q_{cd} \delta Q_{de} \rangle_c \\
&= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k s_l \rangle \langle s_l \rangle^2} - 3q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} - q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k s_l \rangle} \\
&\quad + 3Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} + 3Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} - 3q^4 N^3 - 3NG_2 G_3
\end{aligned} \tag{A17}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{Y}_{18} &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab}^2 \delta Q_{bc} \delta Q_{de} \rangle_c \\
&= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle \langle s_l \rangle^2} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} - q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2 \langle s_k \rangle^2} - q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} \\
&\quad + 3Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} + 2Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} + Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2} - 3q^4 N^3 - NG_1 G_3 - 2NG_2 G_3
\end{aligned} \tag{A18}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{Y}_{19} &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{bc} \delta Q_{cd} \delta Q_{ef} \rangle_c \\
&= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle \langle s_l \rangle^2} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} - q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2 \langle s_k \rangle^2} - q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} \\
&\quad + 4Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} + 2Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} - 3q^4 N^3 - 2NG_2 G_3 - NG_3^2
\end{aligned} \tag{A19}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{Y}_{20} &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{ac} \delta Q_{ad} \delta Q_{ef} \rangle_c \\
&= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_k \rangle \langle s_l \rangle^2} - 3q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} - q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_i \rangle \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} \\
&\quad + 3Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} + 3Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} - 3q^4 N^3 - 3NG_2 G_3
\end{aligned} \tag{A20}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{Y}_{21} &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{cd} \delta Q_{ef}^2 \rangle_c \\
&= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2 \langle s_k s_l \rangle^2} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j s_k \rangle^2} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2 \langle s_k \rangle^2} \\
&\quad + 5Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} + Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i s_j \rangle^2} - 3q^4 N^3 - NG_1 G_3 - 2NG_3^2
\end{aligned} \tag{A21}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{Y}_{22} &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{cd} \delta Q_{ef} \delta Q_{fg} \rangle_c \\
&= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2 \langle s_k \rangle \langle s_k s_l \rangle \langle s_l \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle \langle s_j s_k \rangle \langle s_k \rangle} - 2q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2 \langle s_k \rangle^2} \\
&\quad + Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle \langle s_i s_j \rangle \langle s_j \rangle} + 5Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} - 3q^4 N^3 - NG_2 G_3 - 2NG_3^2
\end{aligned} \tag{A22}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{Y}_{23} &= N^3 \langle \delta Q_{ab} \delta Q_{cd} \delta Q_{ef} \delta Q_{gh} \rangle_c \\
&= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ijkl} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2 \langle s_k \rangle^2 \langle s_l \rangle^2} - 4q \sum_{ijk} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2 \langle s_k \rangle^2} + 6Nq^2 \sum_{ij} \overline{\langle s_i \rangle^2 \langle s_j \rangle^2} - 3q^4 N^3 - 3NG_3^2
\end{aligned} \tag{A23}$$

Counting the multiplicity of each apart term, the above coefficients in Eq. (104) recombine according to the following formulas (they are equal to those of Appendix B in Ref. [41], taking into account the different naming convention):

$$v_1 = 3(\mathcal{Y}_1 - 4\mathcal{Y}_{12} + 2\mathcal{Y}_{15} + 4\mathcal{Y}_{19} - 4\mathcal{Y}_{22} + \mathcal{Y}_{23}) \tag{A24}$$

$$v_2 = \frac{1}{2}(6\mathcal{Y}_1 - 12\mathcal{Y}_{10} - 48\mathcal{Y}_{11} - 48\mathcal{Y}_{12} + 3\mathcal{Y}_{13} - 24\mathcal{Y}_{14} + 60\mathcal{Y}_{15} + 4\mathcal{Y}_{16} - 48\mathcal{Y}_{18} + 96\mathcal{Y}_{19} + \mathcal{Y}_2 + 48\mathcal{Y}_{20} + 24\mathcal{Y}_{21} - 144\mathcal{Y}_{22} + 36\mathcal{Y}_{23} - 6\mathcal{Y}_3 + 12\mathcal{Y}_5 - 8\mathcal{Y}_7 + 24\mathcal{Y}_8 + 24\mathcal{Y}_9) \quad (\text{A25})$$

$$v_3 = 3(-2\mathcal{Y}_1 + \mathcal{Y}_{10} + 4\mathcal{Y}_{11} + 12\mathcal{Y}_{12} - \mathcal{Y}_{13} + 6\mathcal{Y}_{14} - 13\mathcal{Y}_{15} + 4\mathcal{Y}_{18} - 16\mathcal{Y}_{19} - 4\mathcal{Y}_{20} - 4\mathcal{Y}_{21} + 24\mathcal{Y}_{22} - 6\mathcal{Y}_{23} + \mathcal{Y}_3 - 2\mathcal{Y}_8 - 4\mathcal{Y}_9) \quad (\text{A26})$$

$$v_4 = 6(8\mathcal{Y}_{11} + 6\mathcal{Y}_{12} + \mathcal{Y}_{14} - 6\mathcal{Y}_{15} + 2\mathcal{Y}_{17} + 2\mathcal{Y}_{18} - 14\mathcal{Y}_{19} - 4\mathcal{Y}_{20} - \mathcal{Y}_{21} + 16\mathcal{Y}_{22} - 4\mathcal{Y}_{23} + \mathcal{Y}_4 - \mathcal{Y}_5 - 4\mathcal{Y}_6 - 2\mathcal{Y}_9) \quad (\text{A27})$$

$$v_5 = 6(-4\mathcal{Y}_{11} + 2\mathcal{Y}_{15} - 2\mathcal{Y}_{18} + 6\mathcal{Y}_{19} + 4\mathcal{Y}_{20} + \mathcal{Y}_{21} - 12\mathcal{Y}_{22} + 4\mathcal{Y}_{23} + \mathcal{Y}_5) \quad (\text{A28})$$

$$v_6 = 12(-2\mathcal{Y}_{11} - 2\mathcal{Y}_{12} + 2\mathcal{Y}_{15} - \mathcal{Y}_{17} + 6\mathcal{Y}_{19} + \mathcal{Y}_{20} - 7\mathcal{Y}_{22} + 2\mathcal{Y}_{23} + \mathcal{Y}_6) \quad (\text{A29})$$

$$v_7 = 4(2\mathcal{Y}_{10} + 12\mathcal{Y}_{11} + 6\mathcal{Y}_{12} + 3\mathcal{Y}_{14} - 12\mathcal{Y}_{15} - \mathcal{Y}_{16} + 12\mathcal{Y}_{18} - 24\mathcal{Y}_{19} - 14\mathcal{Y}_{20} - 6\mathcal{Y}_{21} + 42\mathcal{Y}_{22} - 12\mathcal{Y}_{23} - 3\mathcal{Y}_5 + \mathcal{Y}_7 - 3\mathcal{Y}_8 - 3\mathcal{Y}_9) \quad (\text{A30})$$

$$v_8 = 6(-\mathcal{Y}_{10} - 2\mathcal{Y}_{11} - 2\mathcal{Y}_{12} - \mathcal{Y}_{14} + 5\mathcal{Y}_{15} - 2\mathcal{Y}_{18} + 8\mathcal{Y}_{19} + 4\mathcal{Y}_{20} + 2\mathcal{Y}_{21} - 18\mathcal{Y}_{22} + 6\mathcal{Y}_{23} + \mathcal{Y}_8) \quad (\text{A31})$$

$$v_9 = 12(-\mathcal{Y}_{11} - 2\mathcal{Y}_{12} - \mathcal{Y}_{14} + 3\mathcal{Y}_{15} - \mathcal{Y}_{18} + 4\mathcal{Y}_{19} + \mathcal{Y}_{20} + \mathcal{Y}_{21} - 7\mathcal{Y}_{22} + 2\mathcal{Y}_{23} + \mathcal{Y}_9) \quad (\text{A32})$$

$$v_{10} = \mathcal{Y}_{10} - 3\mathcal{Y}_{15} - 4\mathcal{Y}_{20} + 12\mathcal{Y}_{22} - 6\mathcal{Y}_{23} \quad (\text{A33})$$

$$v_{11} = 12(\mathcal{Y}_{11} - \mathcal{Y}_{15} - 2\mathcal{Y}_{19} - \mathcal{Y}_{20} + 5\mathcal{Y}_{22} - 2\mathcal{Y}_{23}) \quad (\text{A34})$$

$$v_{12} = 12(\mathcal{Y}_{12} - \mathcal{Y}_{15} - 2\mathcal{Y}_{19} + 3\mathcal{Y}_{22} - \mathcal{Y}_{23}) \quad (\text{A35})$$

$$v_{13} = \frac{3}{4}(\mathcal{Y}_{13} - 4\mathcal{Y}_{14} + 4\mathcal{Y}_{15} + 2\mathcal{Y}_{21} - 4\mathcal{Y}_{22} + \mathcal{Y}_{23}) \quad (\text{A36})$$

$$v_{14} = 3(\mathcal{Y}_{14} - 2\mathcal{Y}_{15} - \mathcal{Y}_{21} + 3\mathcal{Y}_{22} - \mathcal{Y}_{23}) \quad (\text{A37})$$

$$v_{15} = 3(\mathcal{Y}_{15} - 2\mathcal{Y}_{22} + \mathcal{Y}_{23}) \quad (\text{A38})$$

$$v_{16} = \mathcal{Y}_{16} - 6\mathcal{Y}_{18} + 6\mathcal{Y}_{19} + 4\mathcal{Y}_{20} + 3\mathcal{Y}_{21} - 12\mathcal{Y}_{22} + 4\mathcal{Y}_{23} \quad (\text{A39})$$

$$v_{17} = 2(\mathcal{Y}_{17} - 3\mathcal{Y}_{19} + 3\mathcal{Y}_{22} - \mathcal{Y}_{23}) \quad (\text{A40})$$

$$v_{18} = 6(\mathcal{Y}_{18} - 2\mathcal{Y}_{19} - \mathcal{Y}_{20} - \mathcal{Y}_{21} + 5\mathcal{Y}_{22} - 2\mathcal{Y}_{23}) \quad (\text{A41})$$

$$v_{19} = 6(\mathcal{Y}_{19} - 2\mathcal{Y}_{22} + \mathcal{Y}_{23}) \quad (\text{A42})$$

$$v_{20} = 2(\mathcal{Y}_{20} - 3\mathcal{Y}_{22} + 2\mathcal{Y}_{23}) \quad (\text{A43})$$

$$v_{21} = \frac{3}{4}(\mathcal{Y}_{21} - 2\mathcal{Y}_{22} + \mathcal{Y}_{23}) \quad (\text{A44})$$

$$v_{22} = \frac{3}{2}(\mathcal{Y}_{22} - \mathcal{Y}_{23}) \quad (\text{A45})$$

$$v_{23} = \frac{1}{16}\mathcal{Y}_{23} \quad (\text{A46})$$

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