



Conserved current correlators of conformal field theories in 2 + 1 dimensions

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We compute current correlators of the CP^{N-1} field theory in 2 + 1 dimensions, both at the critical point and in the phase with spontaneously broken $SU(N)$ symmetry. Universal constants are obtained to next-to-leading order in the $1/N$ expansion. Implications are noted for quantum critical points of antiferromagnets and their vicinity.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Conformal field theories (CFTs) appear as the low-energy description of numerous critical points or phases of interest in condensed matter physics. Perhaps the best studied are those of two-dimensional insulating quantum antiferromagnets. In dimerized antiferromagnets, we obtain “conventional” critical points between Néel and spin-gap phases, which are described by a field theory of the Néel order at the $O(3)$ Wilson-Fisher CFT.¹ In antiferromagnets with half-odd-integer spin per unit cell, we have the possibility of “deconfined” quantum critical points, described by a CFT of $S = \frac{1}{2}$ bosonic spinons interacting with an emergent gauge field.^{2,3} In the latter systems, it is also possible to have “algebraic spin liquid” critical phases, described by CFTs of $S = \frac{1}{2}$ fermionic spinons interacting with emergent gauge fields.⁴⁻⁶

Our interest here will be on the correlators of a variety of conserved currents J_μ (μ is a space-time index) of such CFTs in 2 + 1 dimensions. From the general properties of CFTs, we know that the two-point correlator obeys

$$\langle J_\mu(-p)J_\nu(p) \rangle = -C |\mathbf{p}| \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\mathbf{p}_\mu \mathbf{p}_\nu}{p^2} \right), \quad (1)$$

where C is a universal number (after some conventional normalization in the definition of J_μ). We will present here computations of C to next-to-leading-order in a $1/N$ expansion, where N is the number of *flavors* of the matter field. Similar computations have appeared earlier for the $O(M)$ Wilson-Fisher CFT (Refs. 8–10) and for gauge theories with fermionic matter.⁵⁻⁷ Our focus will be on the CP^{N-1} model of complex bosonic spinons z_a ($a = 1, \dots, N$) coupled to a $U(1)$ gauge field A_μ , which describes deconfined quantum critical points in a variety of antiferromagnets.¹¹⁻¹⁸

For the case where $\int d^2x J_0$ is the conserved total spin, C is equal to the dynamical spin conductivity measured at frequencies much larger than the absolute temperature $\hbar\omega \gg k_B T$. The zero-frequency spin conductivity (related by the Einstein relation to the spin diffusivity) is a *separate* universal constant,¹⁹ which we shall not compute here: its computation requires solution of a quantum Boltzmann equation in the flavor large- N limit,²⁰ or holographic methods in a matrix large- N limit.²¹

Turning to the case of the CP^{N-1} field theory, we will consider correlators of its two distinct conserved currents. The first is the $SU(N)$ flavor current

$$J_\mu^\ell = -i z_a^* T_{ab}^\ell (D_\mu z_b) + i (D_\mu z_a)^* T_{ab}^\ell z_b, \quad (2)$$

where D_μ is the covariant derivative, and T^ℓ 's are generators of the $SU(N)$ group normalized so that $\text{Tr}(T^\ell T^m) = \delta^{\ell m}$. The normalization convention for $SU(2)$ antiferromagnets differs, and its physical total spin current is $J^\ell / \sqrt{2}$. For the two-point correlator, we have

$$\langle J_\mu^\ell(-p)J_\nu^m(p) \rangle = -C_J \delta^{\ell m} |\mathbf{p}| \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\mathbf{p}_\mu \mathbf{p}_\nu}{p^2} \right), \quad (3)$$

for which we find the numerical value (see Sec. III B)

$$C_J^{CP^{N-1}} = \frac{1}{16} \left(1 - \frac{2.74}{N} \right) \quad (4)$$

in the $1/N$ expansion. The second conserved current of the CP^{N-1} theory is the topological current $B_\mu = \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_\nu A_\lambda$: this measures the current of the skyrmion spin textures, which is conserved at asymptotically low energies near deconfined critical points. For this current, we find in Sec. IV a correlator as in Eq. (1), with

$$C_A = \frac{16}{N} \left(1 + \frac{0.578}{N} \right). \quad (5)$$

It is interesting to compare these results with those of the $O(M)$ Wilson-Fisher CFT of an M -component, real scalar field ϕ_a . Now, the current is $J_\mu^\ell = -i \phi_a t_{ab}^\ell \partial_\mu \phi_b$, the generators t^ℓ are purely imaginary antisymmetric matrices conventionally normalized as $\text{Tr}(t^\ell t^m) = 2\delta^{\ell m}$. In this case J_μ^ℓ is the physical total spin current of the antiferromagnet for $M = 3$. We recall the result^{8,10}

$$C_J^{O(M)} = \frac{1}{8} \left(1 - \frac{1}{M} \frac{64}{9\pi^2} \right) \approx \frac{1}{8} \left(1 - \frac{1}{M} 0.72 \right); \quad (6)$$

we will reproduce this result by the methods of our paper in Sec. III A. Unlike the CP^{N-1} model, the $O(M)$ CFT does not have a conserved topological current. For the case of $M = 3$, the analog of the topological current is $\tilde{B}_\mu = \frac{1}{4} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \epsilon_{abc} \phi_a \partial_\nu \phi_b \partial_\lambda \phi_c$. However, \tilde{B}_μ is now *not* conserved. Physically, this is because the $O(3)$ CFT includes amplitude fluctuations of the ϕ_a field, and so allows space-time locations with $\phi_a = 0$, which represent “hedghogs” where skyrmion number conservation is violated. Consequently, the correlators of \tilde{B}_μ do not obey Eq. (1) under the $O(3)$ CFT, and are instead characterized by an anomalous dimension which was computed by Fritz *et al.*²²

Our computations of these current correlators were made possible by a direct evaluation of the Feynman graphs

in momentum space using an algorithm which is described in Appendix. These methods should also be applicable to other conserved current correlators of CFTs, including those of the stress-energy tensor²³ and multipoint correlators.²⁴

In Sec. V, we will extend our results away from the CFT into the phase with broken global $SU(N)$ symmetry of the CP^{N-1} model. We work out the diagrammatic structure that allows divergence-free computation of correlators close to the critical point. In particular, we point out the importance of ghost fields in unitary gauge to fulfill Goldstone's theorem. We compute the correlation length exponent coming from the symmetry-broken phase and obtain

$$\nu = 1 - \frac{48}{N\pi^2}, \quad (7)$$

in agreement with Halperin *et al.*'s computation from 1974 (Ref. 25) and that of the Ekaterinburg group in 1996.²⁶ In the symmetry-broken phase, the sum of logarithmically divergent coefficients multiplying the Higgs mass of the gauge propagator yield Eq. (7). Finally, we note our recent paper²⁷ in which we compute the dynamical excitation spectrum of the vector boson using the approach of Sec. V.

II. CP^{N-1} MODEL

The CP^{N-1} model describes the dynamics of charged bosons z^* , z minimally coupled to an Abelian gauge field A_μ ,^{28,29} with subscripts μ, ν describing coordinates in $(2+1)$ -dimensional Euclidean space-time. The charged bosons fulfill a unit-length constraint $\sum_{\alpha=1}^N |z_\alpha|^2 = 1$, at all points in time and space. Upon rescaling z and A_μ convenient for $1/N$ expansion we can write the partition function as

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}z_\alpha \mathcal{D}\lambda \mathcal{D}A_\mu \exp \left\{ - \int_x \left[|(\partial_\mu - i A_\mu / \sqrt{N})z_\alpha|^2 + i \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{N}} (|z_\alpha|^2 - N/g) \right] \right\}, \quad (8)$$

where the integration over space and (imaginary) time has been collected in \int_x . A sum over doubly occurring indices is implicit. The fields have been rescaled such that the relevant coupling constant g , which determines the properties and phases the model finds itself in, appears in the brackets multiplying the (fluctuating) Lagrange multiplier field λ . Feynman rules for vertices and propagators are shown in Fig. 1.

The large- N expansion is performed by first integrating the z^* , z and expanding the still dynamical determinant to quadratic order in the fields A_μ and λ . At $N \rightarrow \infty$, this is

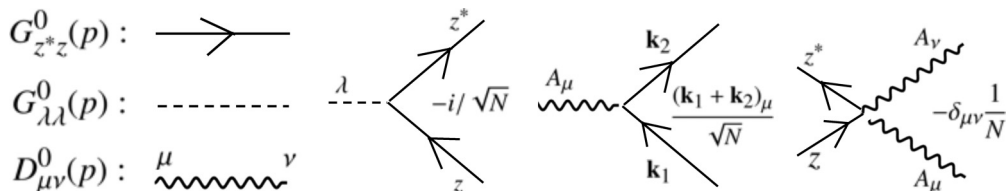


FIG. 1. Propagators and vertices of CP^{N-1} model used in the $1/N$ expansion.

exact and the resulting effective action is

$$\mathcal{S}_{A-\lambda} = \int_p \frac{\Pi_\lambda(p)}{2} |\lambda(p)|^2 + \frac{\Pi_A(p)}{2} \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{p^2} \right) A(-p)_\mu A(p)_\nu \quad (9)$$

with $\Pi_\lambda(p) = \frac{1}{8p}$ and $\Pi_A(p) = \frac{p}{16}$.³⁰ The polarization bubbles of the λ and A_μ fields determine the $N \rightarrow \infty$ propagators:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \lambda(-p)\lambda(p) \rangle_{N \rightarrow \infty} &= G_{\lambda\lambda}^0(p) = 8p, \\ \langle A_\mu(-p)A_\nu(p) \rangle_{N \rightarrow \infty} &= D_{\mu\nu}^0(p) = \frac{16}{p} \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{p^2} \right), \\ \langle z^*(p)z(p) \rangle &= G_{z^*z}^0(p) = \frac{1}{p^2}. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Note that for the gauge field propagator, there is another diagram with a z loop attached by a z^*zAA vertex to the gauge field propagator. However, this is conventionally dropped as it would be zero in dimensional regularization.³⁰ Without loss of generality for physical observables, we will use (transversal) Landau gauge.

A. Relation to spin observables of deconfined quantum magnets

We here recapitulate how the emerging quantum fields z^* , z , and A_μ are related to spin observables in the deconfined critical theory.³¹ First of all, the “original” unit-length Néel spin vector field $\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x})$ can be parametrized as a bilinear of complex-valued spinon fields z_α^* :

$$\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}) = z_\alpha^*(\mathbf{x}) \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} z_\beta(\mathbf{x}), \quad (11)$$

where for $SU(2)$ spins, $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$ is a vector of Pauli matrices and the “flavor” indices α, β run over 1 and 2. The scaling dimension of the Néel ordering field has been computed for the CP^{N-1} model in Ref. 30. The local $U(1)$ transformation $z(\mathbf{x}) \rightarrow z(\mathbf{x})e^{i\theta(\mathbf{x})}$ leaves the Lagrangian and $\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x})$ invariant, and requires a $U(1)$ gauge field A_μ . We can further relate spin observables to the gauge field A_μ : the staggered vector spin chirality can be written as

$$B_\mu = \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_\nu A_\lambda = \frac{1}{4} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \mathbf{n} \cdot (\partial_\nu \mathbf{n} \times \partial_\lambda \mathbf{n}). \quad (12)$$

The last term specifies how B_μ can be related to the operators of the underlying antiferromagnet, and identifies it as the skyrmion current: the spatial integral of its temporal component B_t is the skyrmion number of the texture of the Néel order parameter underlining the topological nature of the vector boson.

The corresponding vector chirality operator for the O(3) model is

$$\tilde{B}_\mu = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \epsilon_{abc} \phi_a \partial_\nu \phi_b \partial_\lambda \phi_c, \quad (13)$$

which is the analog of the flux operator for the confining critical point described by the ϕ^4 field theory of the three-component field ϕ_a . Indeed, such correlations were measured recently by Fritz *et al.*²² in quantum Monte Carlo. This quantity can also be measured in Raman scattering^{32,33} if the light couples preferentially to one sublattice of the antiferromagnet. Thus, knowing the gauge field properties will allow us to compare the vector spin chirality of the CP^1 model versus that of the O(3) model.

III. UNIVERSAL MAGNETIC TRANSPORT: CURRENT CORRELATOR $\langle J_\mu J_\nu \rangle$

In this section, we compute the current-current correlator of the CP^{N-1} model to order $1/N$. As a warmup, and to make contact with previous work, we compute the same quantity for the O(M) vector to order $1/M$. This is important for two reasons: (i) to make predictions for a variety of physical situations these field theories are believed to describe and (ii) to classify interacting CFT₃s by means of numerical constants that determine their correlation functions.

A. Warmup: Universal conductance C_J of the O(M) model to $1/M$

In absence of the gauge field A_μ , the critical behavior of Eq. (8) is equivalent to that of the O(M) vector model with a quartic self-interaction. The latter arises as the most relevant term upon “softening” the unit-length constraint into a series of polynomial interaction terms. The conserved current in the vector O(M) model of M -component real fields ϕ_a is

$$J_\mu^\ell = -i(\phi_a t_{ab}^\ell \partial_\mu \phi_b), \quad (14)$$

where the generators t^ℓ are purely imaginary antisymmetric matrices conventionally normalized as $\text{Tr}(t^\ell t^m) = 2\delta^{\ell m}$. The O(M) current vertex is exhibited in Fig. 2.

The $M = 3$ case for magnets is our primary interest in this paper. $M = 2$ corresponds to the XY universality class of the O(2) model in 2 + 1 dimensions, believed to describe the superfluid-to-insulator phase transition in ultracold atoms and superconducting films. The conserved current in Eq. (14) is then associated with a conserved U(1) global charge symmetry. For the electrically neutral ultracold atoms, this is simply the conservation of particles or “number charge.”

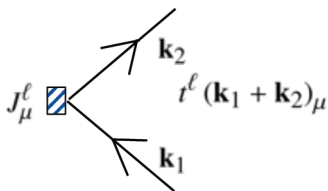


FIG. 2. (Color online) Feynman rule for the O(M) current vertex. Here, the straight line is the propagator for real fields $\langle \phi_a(-p)\phi_b(p) \rangle = \delta_{ab}/p^2$.

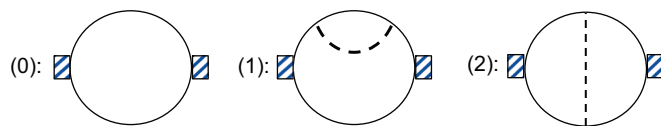


FIG. 3. (Color online) Diagrams for the current-current correlator in the O(M) model. (0) is the only diagram at $M \rightarrow \infty$. (1) and (2) are of order $1/M$. Blue dashed boxes are O(M) current vertices, where the current is defined in Eq. (14). Dashed line is the λ propagator $\langle \lambda(-p)\lambda(p) \rangle_{M \rightarrow \infty}^{O(M)} = 16p$ which, for real fields, comes with an additional factor of 2 compared to Eq. (10) (Ref. 40).

For superconducting films, the bosons carry electric charge (twice that of the constituent electrons) and the application of the Kubo formula to $\langle JJ \rangle$ actually yields the universal, electrical dc conductivity applicable to the regime $\omega \gg k_B T$ as mentioned in the Introduction.

This universal high-frequency conductance of the O(2) model at the critical point was computed in the ϵ expansion by Fazio and Zappala⁹ and in the $1/M$ expansion by Cha *et al.*⁸ At the critical point, the O(M) model becomes a strongly interacting conformal field theory in 2 + 1 dimensions (CFT₃) and two-point correlators of conserved quantities are constrained by conformal symmetries.^{10,23,34–39} The current-current correlator is determined by a single parameter C_J :

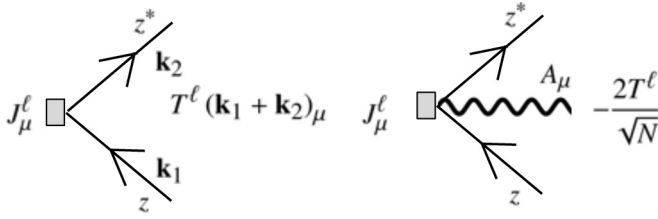
$$\langle J_\mu^\ell(-p)J_\nu^m(p) \rangle = -C_J \delta^{\ell m} |p| \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{p^2} \right). \quad (15)$$

In 1995, Petkou reported a value for C_J to order $1/M$ using conformal field theory methods in real space³⁵ in agreement with earlier computation in momentum space by Cha *et al.*⁸ We will in the following obtain the same value for C_J within our momentum-space computation using a newly developed algorithm to evaluate tensor-valued momentum integrals (see Appendix for details). The advantage of this approach is that it is straightforward to generalize to more complicated situations, such as gauge theories.

The diagrammatic evaluation of the current two-point function now proceeds as follows: one connects two current insertions in all possible ways using the propagators in Fig. 1, counting factors of M . At $M \rightarrow \infty$, this yields the bubble diagram (0) in Fig. 3. At order $1/M$, one obtains (1) and (2)

TABLE I. Evaluated contributions to C_J at the critical point for the O(M) model. The longitudinal components add to 0 after accounting for the diagram factors a_i 's in Eq. (17). The transverse components give Eq. (18). The fourth column shows the mutually canceling log-singularities that appear in the transverse parts of the individual diagrams.

Diagram	$I_T^{(i)}(p)$	$I_L^{(i)}(p)$	Log-singularity (transverse)	Factor
0	$-\frac{1}{8}p$	0	0	1
1	$\frac{1}{M} \frac{13}{36\pi^2} p$	$\frac{1}{M} \frac{1}{6\pi^2} p$	$\frac{1}{M} \frac{1}{3\pi^2} p \ln \frac{\Lambda}{p}$	2
2	$\frac{1}{M} \frac{1}{6\pi^2} p$	$-\frac{1}{M} \frac{1}{3\pi^2} p$	$-\frac{1}{M} \frac{2}{3\pi^2} p \ln \frac{\Lambda}{p}$	1


 FIG. 4. Feynman rules for the SU(N) flavor current vertices.

in the same figure. Note that diagrams involving closed loops with an odd number of current insertions vanish by symmetry as the trace over a single generator t^ℓ is zero.

The expressions for these three diagrams are

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_{\mu\nu}^{\ell m}(p)^{(0)} &= \text{Tr}_{\text{O}(M)} \left[\int_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{t^\ell (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu t^m (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\nu}{k^2 (\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2} \right], \quad a_0 = 1 \\
 J_{\mu\nu}^{\ell m}(p)^{(1)} &= \text{Tr}_{\text{O}(M)} \left[\int_q \int_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{t^\ell (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu t^m (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\nu}{k^4 (\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2} \right. \\
 &\quad \times \left. \left(\frac{-i}{\sqrt{M}} \right)^2 16q \left(\frac{1}{(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2} - \frac{1}{q^2} \right) \right], \quad a_1 = 2 \\
 J_{\mu\nu}^{\ell m}(p)^{(2)} &= \text{Tr}_{\text{O}(M)} \left[\int_q \int_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{t^\ell (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu t^m [2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q}) + \mathbf{p}]_\nu}{k^2 (\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2 (\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2 (\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2} \right. \\
 &\quad \times \left. \left(\frac{-i}{\sqrt{M}} \right)^2 16q \right], \quad a_2 = 1
 \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

with abbreviated three-dimensional (3D) momentum integrations $\int_{\mathbf{k}} = \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{k}}{8\pi^3}$. In diagram (1), we have subtracted the

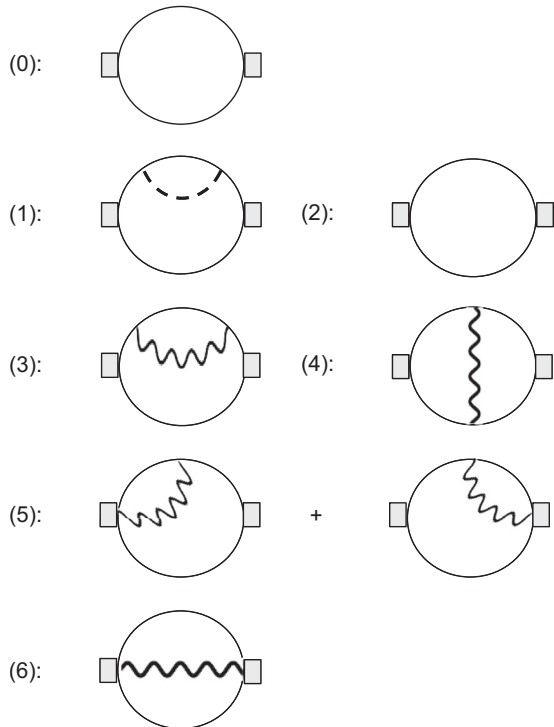

 FIG. 5. Diagrams for the current-current correlator of the CP^{N-1} model to order $1/N$.

 TABLE II. Evaluated contributions to the current-current correlator of the CP^{N-1} model. The longitudinal components add to 0 and transverse parts give Eq. (21). The log-singularities mutually cancel.

Diagram	$I_T^{(i)}(p)$	$I_L^{(i)}(p)$	Log-singularity (transverse)	Factor
0	$-\frac{1}{16}p$	0	0	1
1	$\frac{p}{N} \frac{13}{144\pi^2}$	$\frac{p}{N} \frac{1}{24\pi^2}$	$\frac{p}{N} \frac{1}{12\pi^2} \ln \frac{\Lambda}{p}$	2
2	$\frac{p}{N} \frac{1}{24\pi^2}$	$-\frac{p}{N} \frac{1}{12\pi^2}$	$-\frac{p}{N} \frac{1}{6\pi^2} \ln \frac{\Lambda}{p}$	1
3	$\frac{p}{N} \frac{1}{3\pi^2}$	$-\frac{p}{N} \frac{2}{3\pi^2}$	$-\frac{p}{N} \frac{4}{3\pi^2} \ln \frac{\Lambda}{p}$	2
4	$-0.110 \frac{p}{N}$	$-\frac{p}{N} \frac{2}{3\pi^2}$	0	1
5	$\frac{p}{N} \frac{13}{9\pi^2}$	$\frac{p}{N} \frac{2}{\pi^2}$	$\frac{p}{N} \frac{4}{3\pi^2} \ln \frac{\Lambda}{p}$	2
6	$-\frac{p}{N} \frac{1}{\pi^2}$	$-\frac{p}{N} \frac{2}{\pi^2}$	0	1

zero-momentum ($\mathbf{k} = 0$) value of the self-energy insertion on the internal propagator in order to operate at the renormalized position of the critical point. We will write the current correlator as a momentum-decomposed sum of its diagrammatic

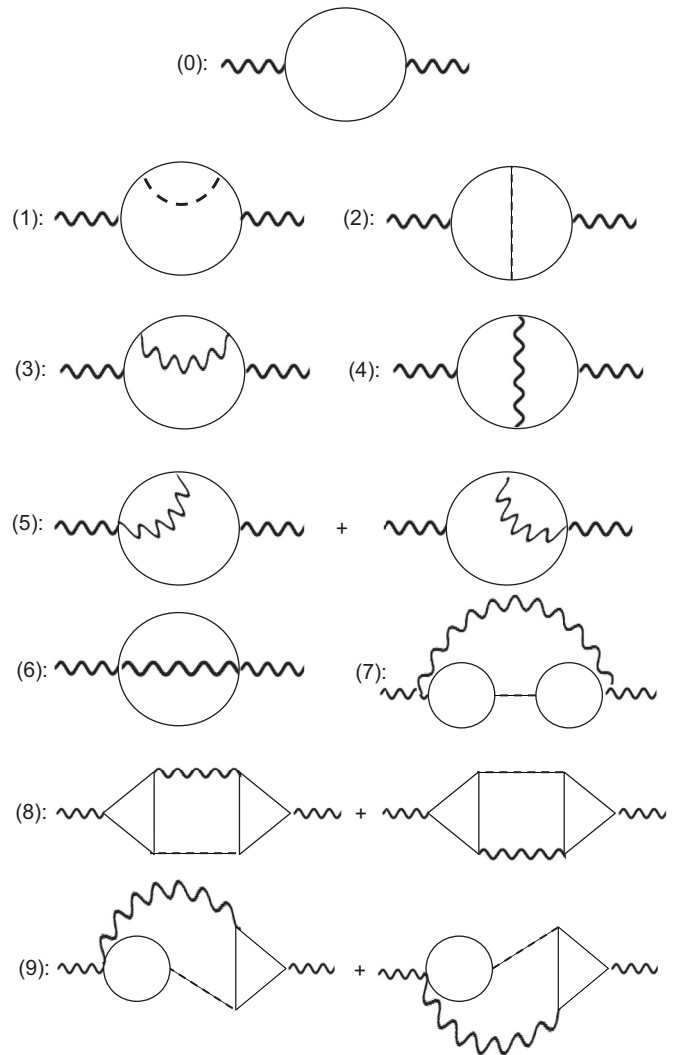

 FIG. 6. Diagrams for the gauge correlator of the CP^{N-1} model at the critical point to order $1/N$.

TABLE III. Evaluated contributions to the gauge-field self-energy at the critical point of the CP^{N-1} model. Longitudinal components and logarithmic singularities both sum to 0.

Diagram	$\Sigma_T^{(i)}(p)$	$\Sigma_L^{(i)}(p)$	Log-singularity (transverse)	Factor
0	$-\frac{1}{16}P$	0	0	1
1	$\frac{1}{N} \frac{13}{144\pi^2} P$	$\frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{24\pi^2} P$	$\frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{12\pi^2} P \ln \frac{\Lambda}{p}$	2
2	$\frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{24\pi^2} P$	$-\frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{12\pi^2} P$	$-\frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{6\pi^2} P \ln \frac{\Lambda}{p}$	1
3	$\frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{3\pi^2} P$	$-\frac{1}{N} \frac{2}{3\pi^2} P$	$-\frac{1}{N} \frac{4}{3\pi^2} P \ln \frac{\Lambda}{p}$	2
4	$-\frac{1}{N} 0.110P$	$-\frac{1}{N} \frac{2}{3\pi^2} P$	0	1
5	$\frac{1}{N} \frac{13}{18\pi^2} P$	$\frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{\pi^2} P$	$\frac{1}{N} \frac{2}{3\pi^2} P \ln \frac{\Lambda}{p}$	4
6	$-\frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{4\pi^2} P$	$-\frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{2\pi^2} P$	0	4
7	$\frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{4\pi^2} P$	$\frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{2\pi^2} P$	0	4
8	$\frac{1}{N} \frac{5}{18\pi^2} P$	$\frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{\pi^2} P$	$\frac{1}{N} \frac{4}{3\pi^2} P \ln \frac{\Lambda}{p}$	2
9	$-\frac{1}{N} \frac{13}{18\pi^2} P$	$-\frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{\pi^2} P$	$-\frac{1}{N} \frac{2}{3\pi^2} P \ln \frac{\Lambda}{p}$	4

contributions

$$\begin{aligned} \langle J_\mu^\ell(-p) J_\nu^m(p) \rangle &= \delta^{\ell m} \sum_{i=0}^2 a_i J_{\mu\nu}^{(i)}(p) \equiv \sum_{i=0}^2 a_i \left[I_T^{(i)}(p) \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{p^2} \right) + I_L^{(i)}(p) \frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{p^2} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

The momentum index structure, in general, can be decomposed into transversal, longitudinal, and odd parts. With Chern-Simons terms, there may also be odd parts, but they are immaterial for our subsequent discussion. We evaluate the tensor-valued momentum integrals in Eq. (16) using TENSORIA and subsequently decompose them into transversal and longitudinal components as shown in Table I. As we explain in more depth in the Appendix, TENSORIA is built around recursion relations of Davydychev^{24,38,41,42} that transform tensor-valued momentum integrals into a permuted series of scalar integrals. Adding the values in Table I, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} J_{\mu\nu}^{\ell m}(p)^{(0)} &= \text{Tr}_{\text{SU}(N)} \left[\int_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{T^\ell(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu T^m(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\nu}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2} \right], \quad a_0 = 1 \\ J_{\mu\nu}^{\ell m}(p)^{(1)} &= \text{Tr}_{\text{SU}(N)} \left[\int_{\mathbf{q}} \int_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{T^\ell(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu T^m(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\nu}{k^4(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2} \left(\frac{-i}{\sqrt{N}} \right)^2 8q \left(\frac{1}{(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2} - \frac{1}{q^2} \right) \right], \quad a_1 = 2 \\ J_{\mu\nu}^{\ell m}(p)^{(2)} &= \text{Tr}_{\text{SU}(N)} \left[\int_{\mathbf{q}} \int_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{T^\ell(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu T^m[2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q}) + \mathbf{p}]_\nu}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2} \left(\frac{-i}{\sqrt{N}} \right)^2 8q \right], \quad a_2 = 1 \\ J_{\mu\nu}^{\ell m}(p)^{(3)} &= \text{Tr}_{\text{SU}(N)} \left[\int_{\mathbf{q}} \int_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu T^\ell(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\nu T^m(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})_\lambda (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})_\rho}{k^4(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k})^2 (\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2} \left(\frac{\delta_{\lambda\rho} q^2 - q_\lambda q_\rho}{q^3} \right) \frac{16}{N} \right], \quad a_3 = 2 \\ J_{\mu\nu}^{\ell m}(p)^{(4)} &= \text{Tr}_{\text{SU}(N)} \left[\int_{\mathbf{q}} \int_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu T^\ell[2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q}) + \mathbf{p}]_\nu T^m[2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{q}]_\lambda (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})_\rho}{k^2(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2} \left(\frac{\delta_{\lambda\rho} q^2 - q_\lambda q_\rho}{q^3} \right) \frac{16}{N} \right], \quad a_4 = 1 \\ J_{\mu\nu}^{\ell m}(p)^{(5)} &= \text{Tr}_{\text{SU}(N)} \left[\int_{\mathbf{q}} \int_{\mathbf{k}} \delta_{\mu\lambda} (-2T^\ell) \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})_\rho (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\nu T^m}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2} \left(\frac{\delta_{\lambda\rho} q^2 - q_\lambda q_\rho}{q^3} \right) \frac{16}{N} + (\mu \leftrightarrow \nu, \ell \leftrightarrow m) \right], \quad a_5 = 2 \\ J_{\mu\nu}^{\ell m}(p)^{(6)} &= \text{Tr}_{\text{SU}(N)} \left[\int_{\mathbf{q}} \int_{\mathbf{k}} \delta_{\mu\lambda} (-2T^\ell) \frac{1}{(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2} \left(\frac{\delta_{\lambda\rho} q^2 - q_\lambda q_\rho}{q^3} \right) \delta_{\nu\rho} (-2T^m) \frac{16}{N} \right], \quad a_6 = 1. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

$$C_J^{O(M)} = \frac{1}{8} \left(1 - \frac{1}{M} \frac{64}{9\pi^2} \right) \approx \frac{1}{8} \left(1 - \frac{1}{M} 0.72 \right) \quad (18)$$

in agreement with Cha *et al.*⁸ and Petkou.³⁵ We see that here the large- M expansion works satisfactorily down to $M = 3$, where the correction to the $M \rightarrow \infty$ value is $\sim 25\%$.

It is a strong check on our algorithm that all logarithmic singularities in the fourth column of Table I cancel out. For non-conserved operators, such log-singularities as a function of momentum generate anomalous scaling dimensions at criticality. Because the $1/M$ expansion fulfills Ward identities between self-energy and vertex corrections [diagrams (1) and (2)], we correctly recover the required result that no anomalous dimension is generated for the conserved current.^{43,44}

B. C_J of the CP^{N-1} model to $1/N$

We now compute the corresponding current-current correlator of the CP^{N-1} model. With superscript ℓ as the generator index, subscripts a and b as component indices in flavor space, and subscript i as the spatial direction index, the $SU(N)$ flavor current is

$$J_i^\ell = -i z_a^* T_{ab}^\ell (D_i z_b) + i (D_i z_a)^* T_{ab}^\ell z_b, \quad (19)$$

using the covariant derivative $D_i = \partial_i - i A_i / (\sqrt{N})$. Here, T^ℓ 's are generators of the $SU(N)$ group normalized so that $\text{Tr}(T^\ell T^m) = \delta^{\ell m}$. The Feynman rules for the flavor current vertices are given in Fig. 4. In the context of quantum magnets at the critical point (deconfined with gauge field and conventional without the gauge field), this current can be related to the magnetization.⁴⁵

The diagrams to evaluate are exhibited in Fig. 5. Note that in diagram (3), the self-energy insertion of the gauge field does not renormalize the position of the critical point and we therefore do not have to subtract the zero-momentum value here. We can safely ignore the self-energy insertion of the gauge-field loop on the internal z propagator connected via a four-point vertex $z^* z A A$ [as in Fig. 9(b)] as this can be absorbed into a shifted critical point. The analytic expressions are

Adding all 7 diagrams from Table II, we obtain our new value for the flavor current correlator of the CP^{N-1} model

$$C_J^{CP^{N-1}} = \frac{1}{16} - \frac{0.171}{N} \approx \frac{1}{16} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N} \frac{243.67}{9\pi^2} \right) \approx \frac{1}{16} \left(1 - \frac{1}{N} 2.74 \right). \quad (21)$$

Comparing this to Eq. (18), the leading- $1/N$ correction relative to the $N \rightarrow \infty$ value is much larger for the CP^{N-1} than the $O(M)$ model: for $N = 2$, the correction is larger than the leading term. Relatively large- $1/N$ corrections for critical exponents of the CP^{N-1} model were also found by Irkhin *et al.*²⁶ It would be interesting to compare Eq. (21) to large-scale numerical simulations or conformal field theory methods in position space.

IV. EMERGENT GAUGE EXCITATIONS: VECTOR BOSON CORRELATOR $\langle A_\mu A_\nu \rangle$

We now compute the gauge propagator to $1/N$ at the critical point. From the perspective of quantum spin systems, detecting the scaling properties of the vector boson in numerical simulations, and ultimately in experiments, via the observables discussed in Sec. II A, would be a signature of an underlying deconfined quantum critical point.²⁷ The universal amplitudes contained in $\langle A_\mu A_\nu \rangle$ translate to those of the topological current and are of general interest to the classification of strongly interacting CFT₃'s.

A. C_A of the CP^{N-1} model to $1/N$

The evaluation of Wick's theorem now progresses as before for the current correlator, except that now the external legs are gauge fields and not current vertices. The relevant diagrams to evaluate are shown in Fig. 6.

The expressions are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(0)}(p) &= \int_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\nu}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2}, \quad a_0 = 1 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(1)}(p) &= -\frac{8}{N} \int_q \int_k \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\nu q}{k^4(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k})^2} \left(\frac{1}{(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2} - \frac{1}{q^2} \right), \quad a_1 = 2 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(2)}(p) &= -\frac{8}{N} \int_q \int_k \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu [2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q}) + \mathbf{p}]_\nu q}{k^2(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2}, \quad a_2 = 1 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(3)}(p) &= \frac{16}{N} \int_q \int_k \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\nu}{k^4(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k})^2} \left(\frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})_\lambda (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})_\rho}{(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2} - \frac{q_\lambda q_\rho}{q^2} \right) \left(\frac{\delta_{\lambda\rho} q^2 - q_\lambda q_\rho}{q^3} \right), \quad a_3 = 2 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(4)}(p) &= \frac{16}{N} \int_q \int_k \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu [2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q}) + \mathbf{p}]_\nu [2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{q}]_\lambda (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})_\rho}{k^2(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2} \left(\frac{\delta_{\lambda\rho} q^2 - q_\lambda q_\rho}{q^3} \right), \quad a_4 = 1 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(5)}(p) &= -\frac{16}{N} \int_q \int_k \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})_\rho (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\nu}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2} \left(\frac{\delta_{\lambda\rho} q^2 - q_\lambda q_\rho}{q^3} \right) \delta_{\mu\lambda} + (\mu \leftrightarrow \nu), \quad a_5 = 4 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(6)}(p) &= \frac{16}{N} \int_q \int_k \frac{1}{(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2} \left(\frac{\delta_{\lambda\rho} q^2 - q_\lambda q_\rho}{q^3} \right) \delta_{\mu\lambda} \delta_{\nu\rho}, \quad a_6 = 4 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(7)}(p) &= -\frac{128}{N} \int_{q,k,l} \frac{1}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2} \frac{1}{l^2(\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2} |\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}| \left(\frac{\delta_{\lambda\rho} q^2 - q_\lambda q_\rho}{q^3} \right), \quad a_7 = 4 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(8)}(p) &= -\frac{128}{N} \int_{q,k,l} \left[\frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})_\lambda (2\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{q})_\rho (2\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p})_\nu}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2} \frac{1}{l^2(\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{q})^2} |\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}| \left(\frac{\delta_{\lambda\rho} q^2 - q_\lambda q_\rho}{q^3} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})_\lambda (2\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})_\rho (2\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p})_\nu}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2} \frac{1}{l^2(\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{q})^2} q \left(\frac{\delta_{\lambda\rho} |\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}|^2 - (\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q})_\lambda (\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q})_\rho}{|\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}|^3} \right) \right], \quad a_8 = 2 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(9)}(p) &= \frac{128}{N} \int_{q,k,l} \frac{\delta_{\mu\lambda}}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2} \left(\frac{(2\mathbf{l} - \mathbf{q})_\rho (2\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p})_\nu}{l^2(\mathbf{l} - \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p})^2} + \frac{(2\mathbf{l} + 2\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})_\rho (2\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p})_\nu}{l^2(\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2} \right) |\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}| \left(\frac{\delta_{\lambda\rho} q^2 - q_\lambda q_\rho}{q^3} \right), \quad a_9 = 4. \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

Note that in these expressions, the trace over N flavor components is included in counting factors of N . We evaluate these diagrams in momentum space using TENSORIA (cf. Appendix). The renormalized gauge propagator remains transverse at the critical point in accordance with symmetry constraints. As before, all the log-singularities that depend on momenta cancel as summarized in Table III. It is a strong check on the

expansion and calculation procedures that we explicitly see these log-singularities cancel.

The renormalized form of the gauge propagator thus becomes

$$D_{\mu\nu}(p) = \frac{1}{[D_{\mu\nu}^0(p)]^{-1} - \Sigma_{\mu\nu}(p)}, \quad (23)$$

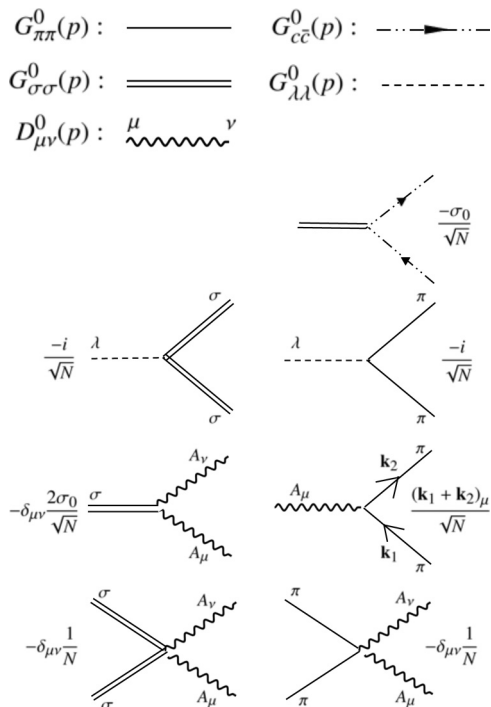


FIG. 7. Propagators and vertices of the CP^{N-1} model in the symmetry broken phase.

where the $N \rightarrow \infty$ value is $D_{\mu\nu}^0(p)$ and the $1/N$ corrections are $\Sigma_{\mu\nu}(p) = \sum_{i=1}^9 a_i \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(i)}(p)$. As before, we split the self-energy into transversal and longitudinal parts

$$\Sigma_{\mu\nu}(p) = \sum_{i=1}^9 a_i \left[\Sigma_T^{(i)}(p) \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\mathbf{p}_\mu \mathbf{p}_\nu}{p^2} \right) + \Sigma_L^{(i)}(p) \frac{\mathbf{p}_\mu \mathbf{p}_\nu}{p^2} \right] + \frac{8\Lambda}{N\pi^2} \delta_{\mu\nu}. \quad (24)$$

The last term proportional to Λ can be safely absorbed into the location of the critical point.

Summing up the other contributions from Table III, we find the renormalized gauge propagator

$$D_{\mu\nu}(p) = \frac{1}{\left(1/16 - \frac{0.036}{N}\right)p} \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\mathbf{p}_\mu \mathbf{p}_\nu}{p^2} \right) \equiv \frac{C_A}{p} \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\mathbf{p}_\mu \mathbf{p}_\nu}{p^2} \right) \quad (25)$$

with

$$C_A^{-1} = \frac{1}{16} - \frac{0.036}{N} = \frac{1}{16} \left(1 - \frac{0.578}{N} \right). \quad (26)$$

Utilizing the relation to the topological current mentioned above Eq. (5) and expanding to $1/N$ yields the value quoted in Eq. (5) [the difference in a global factor of N is just a change of normalization mentioned above Eq. (8)]. We are not aware of any previous computations of this number and it would be desirable to compare these results with other approaches.

V. EXTENSION OF CP^{N-1} MODEL INTO SYMMETRY-BROKEN PHASE

In this section, we extend our analysis of the CP^{N-1} model to the “magnetic” phase with spontaneously broken $SU(N)$ flavor symmetry (henceforth referred to as Goldstone phase). Our main motivation here is to lay the groundwork for our recently reported dynamics of the vector boson close to a deconfined quantum critical point.²⁷

To derive an effective action for the Goldstone phase, we first choose the condensate σ_0 to be along the flavor index $i = 1$ direction without loss of generality. It is convenient to use a radial coordinate system for the first flavor component

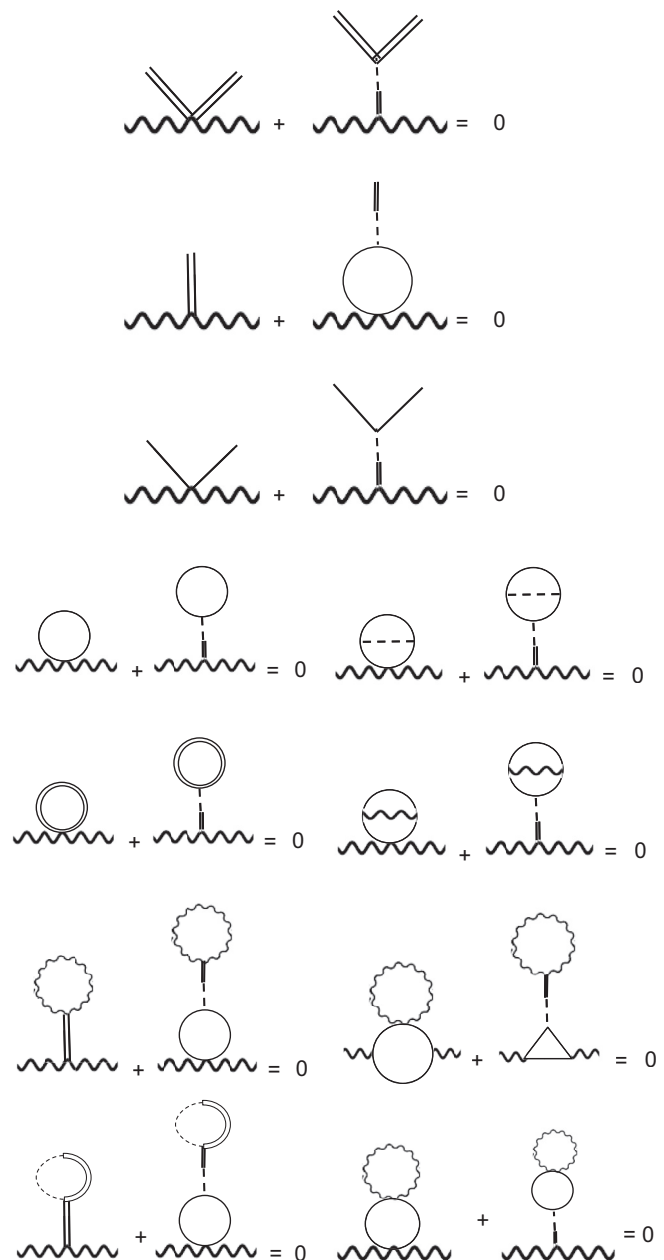


FIG. 8. Mutually canceling vertices (top) and loop contractions to order $1/N$ in the Goldstone phase. After this cancellation, the only diagram that contributes to the gauge propagator is the polarization bubble, Fig. 6 (0), that is accounted for in Eq. (32).

so that

$$z(\mathbf{x}) = (\sigma(\mathbf{x})e^{i\omega(\mathbf{x})}, \pi_1(\mathbf{x}), \pi_2(\mathbf{x}), \dots, \pi_{N-1}(\mathbf{x})), \quad (27)$$

where the π_i fields are complex valued and $\sigma(\mathbf{x})$ and $\omega(\mathbf{x})$ are real valued. As a consequence of this coordinate transformation, the measure of the functional integral for the first flavor component at each point \mathbf{x} picks up a Jacobian⁴⁶

$$\mathcal{D}\{z^*(\mathbf{x}), z(\mathbf{x})\} = \sigma(\mathbf{x})\mathcal{D}\{\sigma(\mathbf{x}), \omega(\mathbf{x})\}. \quad (28)$$

In unitary gauge, the (redundant) local gauge transformation function is chosen as the phase variable of the first flavor $\omega(\mathbf{x})$.^{46,47} Then, as usual, the Goldstone boson of the first flavor is “eaten up” and the action does not depend on $\omega(\mathbf{x})$. Furthermore, we shift

$$\sigma \rightarrow \sqrt{N}\sigma_0 + \sigma, \quad (29)$$

and let the σ field be the amplitude fluctuations around the condensate, with the condition

$$\sigma_0^2 = \frac{1}{g} - \int_p \frac{1}{p^2}. \quad (30)$$

It is crucial to perform the shift in σ also for the Jacobian, and reexponentiate it as a propagator ($\bar{c}c$) of fermionic ghost fields \bar{c}, c . The prefactor for the ghost Lagrangian is chosen such that the masses of the Goldstone bosons $\Sigma_{\pi\pi}(p=0)$ stay identically zero, as we will show below.

The large- N expansion can be performed by first integrating the $\pi, \bar{\pi}$ and expanding the still dynamical determinant to quadratic order in the fields A_μ, σ , and λ . Executing all the before-mentioned steps, we obtain the partition function $Z = \int \mathcal{D}\sigma \mathcal{D}\lambda \mathcal{D}A_\mu \exp(-S_0 - S_1 - S_2 - S_3 - S_{\text{gh}})$, with the action

$$\begin{aligned} S_0 &= \int_p \left[p^2 \sigma^2 + 2i\sigma_0 \sigma \lambda + \frac{1}{2} \Pi(p, 0) \lambda^2 + \sigma_0^2 A_\mu^2 + \frac{\Pi_A(p)}{2} \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{p^2} \right) A_\mu A_\nu \right], \\ S_1 &= -\frac{i}{\sqrt{N}} \left(\frac{1}{g} - \sigma_0^2 \right) \int_x \lambda - \frac{1}{2N} \int_p \Pi(p, 0) \lambda^2 + \frac{i}{\sqrt{N}} \int_x \lambda \sigma^2 + \frac{2\sigma_0}{\sqrt{N}} \int_x A_\mu^2 \sigma + \frac{1}{N} \int_x A_\mu^2 \sigma^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2N} \int_p \Pi_A(p) \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{p^2} \right) A_\mu A_\nu, \\ S_2 &= -\frac{i(N-1)}{3N^{3/2}} \int_{p_1, p_2, p_3} K_3(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_3) \lambda(\mathbf{p}_1) \lambda(\mathbf{p}_2) \lambda(\mathbf{p}_3) - \frac{(N-1)}{12N^2} \int_{p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4} K_4(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_3, \mathbf{p}_4) \lambda(\mathbf{p}_1) \lambda(\mathbf{p}_2) \lambda(\mathbf{p}_3) \lambda(\mathbf{p}_4) \\ &\quad - \frac{i(N-1)}{3N^{3/2}} \int_{p_1, p_2, p_3} K_{A_\mu A_\nu \lambda}(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_3) A_\mu(\mathbf{p}_1) A_\nu(\mathbf{p}_2) \lambda(\mathbf{p}_3), \\ S_3 &= \frac{N-1}{N^2} \int_{p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4} K_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho}(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_3, \mathbf{p}_4) A_\mu(\mathbf{p}_1) A_\nu(\mathbf{p}_2) A_\lambda(\mathbf{p}_3) A_\rho(\mathbf{p}_4), \\ S_{\text{gh}} &= \frac{\sigma_0}{\sqrt{N}} \int_x \bar{c}(\sqrt{N}\sigma_0 + \sigma)c. \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

The various interaction vertices K_{\dots} among the Lagrange multipliers λ and gauge fields A_μ are generated by (closed) Goldstone boson loop diagrams. Using the abbreviations $\Pi(p, 0) = \frac{1}{8p}$ and $\Pi_A(p) = \frac{p}{16}$, the bare $N \rightarrow \infty$ Green's functions of the theory are

$$\begin{aligned} G_{\pi\bar{\pi}}^0(p) &= \frac{1}{p^2}, \\ G_{\sigma\sigma}^0(p) &= \frac{\Pi(p, 0)/2}{p^2 \Pi(p, 0) + 2\sigma_0^2} = \frac{1}{2p(p + 16\sigma_0^2)}, \\ G_{\lambda\lambda}^0(p) &= \frac{p^2}{p^2 \Pi(p, 0) + 2\sigma_0^2} = \frac{8p^2}{p + 16\sigma_0^2}, \\ G_{\sigma\lambda}^0(p) &= \frac{-i\sigma_0}{p^2 \Pi(p, 0) + 2\sigma_0^2} = \frac{-8i\sigma_0}{p + 16\sigma_0^2}, \\ D_{\mu\nu}^0(p) &= \frac{1}{2\sigma_0^2} \frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{p^2} + \frac{1}{(\Pi_A(p) + 2\sigma_0^2)} \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{p^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{16}{(p + 32\sigma_0^2)} \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} + \frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{32p\sigma_0^2} \right), \\ G_{c\bar{c}}^0(p) &= \frac{1}{\sigma_0^2}. \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

From the Feynman rules in Fig. 7, it can be seen that certain vertices cancel each other. These are shown at the top of Fig. 8. This figure also shows the mutually canceling diagrams renormalizing the gauge propagator, including a pair that each is of order unity (i.e., that would contribute even at $N \rightarrow \infty$). Due to this cancellation of the $N \rightarrow \infty$ diagrams, the only remaining large- N diagram of the gauge-field propagator is the polarization bubble (0) shown in Fig. 6.

A. Fulfillment of Goldstone's theorem to $1/N$

In this section, we show that the contractions appearing at order $1/N$ in the large- N expansion do not generate unphysical masses for the Goldstone bosons. Within this approach, the mass of the Goldstone fields remains identically zero without invoking additional Ward identities. The diagrams that renormalize the propagators of the Goldstone bosons are in Fig. 9. The following cancellations occur: $2\Sigma_{\pi\pi}^{(b)}(p) + 2\Sigma_{\pi\pi}^{(d)}(p) = 0$ can be seen using the third line in Fig. 8. $\Sigma_{\pi\pi}^{(c)}(0) + 2\Sigma_{\pi\pi}^{(e)}(0) = 0$, and $\Sigma_{\pi\pi}^{(a)}(0) + \Sigma_{\pi\pi}^{(f)}(0) = 0$ can be seen below. These can be seen explicitly from the

expressions

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_{\bar{\pi}\pi}^{(a)}(0) &= \frac{1}{N} \int_q \frac{q_\mu q_\nu}{q^2} \frac{16}{q + 32\sigma_0^2} \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} + \frac{q_\mu q_\nu}{32q\sigma_0^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \int_q \frac{1}{2\sigma_0^2}, \\ \Sigma_{\bar{\pi}\pi}^{(c)}(0) &= \left(-\frac{i}{\sqrt{N}} \right)^2 \int_q \frac{8q^2}{q + 16\sigma_0^2} \frac{1}{q^2}, \\ \Sigma_{\bar{\pi}\pi}^{(e)}(0) &= \left(-\frac{i}{\sqrt{N}} \right)^2 \int_q \frac{-8i\sigma_0}{16\sigma_0^2} \frac{-8i\sigma_0}{q + 16\sigma_0^2}, \\ \Sigma_{\bar{\pi}\pi}^{(f)}(0) &= -\frac{1}{N} \int_q \frac{1}{2\sigma_0^2}. \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

With this, we arrive at the result $\Sigma_{\bar{\pi}\pi}(0) = \sum_{i=a}^f a_i \Sigma_{\bar{\pi}\pi}^{(i)}(0) = 0$ to conclude that the Goldstone mass remains 0 as it should. The importance of ghost field becomes obvious here [diagram

(f) in Fig. 9]: without the ghosts, the Goldstone boson would pick up an unphysical mass.

B. Correlation length exponent ν and cancellation of singularities to $1/N$

In this section, we compute the correlation length exponent ν from the symmetry-broken phase by resumming the log-singularities in the Higgs mass of the gauge propagator. We further show that all momentum-dependent singularities from different diagrams mutually cancel to $1/N$. We write the self-energy corrections to order $1/N$ shown in Fig. 10 as

$$\Sigma_{\mu\nu}(p) = \sum_{i=1}^{12} a_i \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(i)}(p). \quad (34)$$

The contributions from each diagram are

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(1)}(p) &= \frac{32\sigma_0^2}{N} \int_q \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} + \frac{q_\mu q_\nu}{32q\sigma_0^2} \right) \frac{1}{(q + 32\sigma_0^2)|\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}|(|\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}| + 16\sigma_0^2)}, \quad a_1 = 4 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(2)}(p) &= -\frac{8}{N} \int_q \int_k \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\nu q^2}{k^4(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k})^2(q + 16\sigma_0^2)} \left(\frac{1}{(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2} - \frac{1}{q^2} \right), \quad a_2 = 2 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(3)}(p) &= -\frac{8}{N} \int_q \int_k \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu [2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q}) + \mathbf{p}]_\nu q^2}{k^2(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2(q + 16\sigma_0^2)}, \quad a_3 = 1 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(4)}(p) &= \frac{16}{N} \int_q \int_k \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\nu}{k^4(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k})^2(q + 32\sigma_0^2)} \left(\frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})_\lambda (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})_\rho}{(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2} - \frac{q_\lambda q_\rho}{q^2} \right) \left(\delta_{\lambda\rho} + \frac{q_\lambda q_\rho}{32q\sigma_0^2} \right), \quad a_4 = 2 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(5)}(p) &= \frac{16}{N} \int_q \int_k \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu [2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q}) + \mathbf{p}]_\nu [2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{q}]_\lambda (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})_\rho}{k^2(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2(q + 32\sigma_0^2)} \left(\delta_{\lambda\rho} + \frac{q_\lambda q_\rho}{32q\sigma_0^2} \right), \quad a_5 = 1 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(6)}(p) &= -\frac{16}{N} \int_q \int_k \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})_\rho (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\nu}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2(q + 32\sigma_0^2)} \left(\delta_{\lambda\rho} + \frac{q_\lambda q_\rho}{32q\sigma_0^2} \right) \delta_{\mu\lambda} + (\mu \leftrightarrow \nu), \quad a_6 = 4 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(7)}(p) &= \frac{16}{N} \int_q \int_k \frac{1}{(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2(q + 32\sigma_0^2)} \left(\delta_{\lambda\rho} + \frac{q_\lambda q_\rho}{32q\sigma_0^2} \right) \delta_{\mu\lambda} \delta_{\nu\rho}, \quad a_7 = 4 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(8)}(p) &= \frac{256}{N} \int_q \int_k \left(\frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu (2\mathbf{k} + 2\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})_\lambda}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2} + \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu (2\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{q})_\lambda}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{q})^2} \right) \\ &\quad \times \frac{\sigma_0^2 \delta_{\rho\nu}}{(|\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}| + 16\sigma_0^2)(q + 32\sigma_0^2)} \left(\delta_{\lambda\rho} + \frac{q_\lambda q_\rho}{32q\sigma_0^2} \right), \quad a_8 = 2 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(9)}(p) &= -\frac{256\sigma_0^2}{N} \int_q \int_k \frac{1}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2} \frac{1}{(|\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}| + 16\sigma_0^2)(q + 32\sigma_0^2)} \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} + \frac{q_\mu q_\nu}{32q\sigma_0^2} \right), \quad a_9 = 4 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(10)}(p) &= -\frac{128}{N} \int_{q,k,l} \left[\frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})_\lambda (2\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{q})_\rho (2\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p})_\nu}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2 l^2(\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{q})^2} \frac{(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q})^2}{(|\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}| + 16\sigma_0^2)(q + 32\sigma_0^2)} \left(\delta_{\lambda\rho} + \frac{q_\lambda q_\rho}{32q\sigma_0^2} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})_\lambda (2\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})_\rho (2\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p})_\nu}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2 l^2(\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{q})^2} \frac{q^2}{(q + 16\sigma_0^2)(|\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}| + 32\sigma_0^2)} \left(\delta_{\lambda\rho} + \frac{(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q})_\lambda (\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q})_\rho}{32|\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}|\sigma_0^2} \right) \right], \\ a_{10} &= 2 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(11)}(p) &= \frac{128}{N} \int_{q,k,l} \frac{\delta_{\mu\lambda}}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2} \left(\frac{(2\mathbf{l} - \mathbf{q})_\rho (2\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p})_\nu}{l^2(\mathbf{l} - \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p})^2} + \frac{(2\mathbf{l} + 2\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})_\rho (2\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p})_\nu}{l^2(\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2} \right) \\ &\quad \times \frac{(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2}{(q + 32\sigma_0^2)(|\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}| + 16\sigma_0^2)} \left(\delta_{\lambda\rho} + \frac{q_\lambda q_\rho}{32q\sigma_0^2} \right), \quad a_{11} = 4 \\ \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{(12)}(p) &= -\frac{128}{N} \int_{q,k,l} \frac{1}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2} \frac{1}{l^2(\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2} \frac{(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2}{(|\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}| + 16\sigma_0^2)(q + 32\sigma_0^2)} \left(\delta_{\mu\nu} + \frac{q_\mu q_\nu}{32q\sigma_0^2} \right), \quad a_{12} = 4. \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

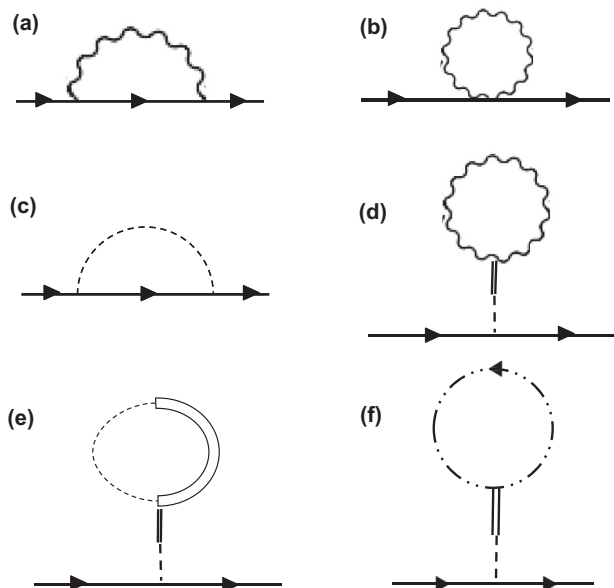


FIG. 9. Self-energy contributions to the $\langle \bar{\pi}\pi \rangle$ Goldstone propagator at $1/N$ in the symmetry-broken phase.

We now extract the divergent terms in the Goldstone phase using TENSORIA (cf. Appendix). Resumming the logarithmically divergent terms (Table IV), we get

$$\Sigma_{\mu\nu}^{\text{UV}}(p) = \frac{1}{N} \left(\frac{14\Lambda}{3\pi^2} - \frac{96\sigma_0^2}{\pi^2} \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2} \right) \delta_{\mu\nu}. \quad (36)$$

This comes in the renormalized gauge propagator as

$$2\sigma_0^2 \delta_{\mu\nu} \left(1 + \frac{1}{N} \frac{48}{\pi^2} \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2} \right). \quad (37)$$

Thus, the correlation length exponent is

$$\nu = 1 - \frac{48}{N\pi^2}, \quad (38)$$

which is consistent with known CP^{N-1} results.^{25,26} We note that each individual diagram features other types of singular terms: of the form $p \ln \Lambda$ and $p^2/\sigma_0^2 \ln \Lambda$. It is only after summing all the diagrams that these cancel with each other.

An application of the results presented in this section is a computation of the excitation spectrum of the vector boson near the critical point, which has been reported recently.²⁷

VI. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we computed response functions of conserved vector currents in the CP^{N-1} model with a view towards applying these results to the physics of deconfined quantum criticality. Vector response functions are of interest for quantum critical transport, i.e., the dynamic response of quantum spin systems subject to magnetic fields, as well as to identify the presence of fractionalized gauge excitations at the critical point. Our main objective was to provide a new set of quantitative predictions that allow numerical simulations, and ultimately experiments, of quantum spin systems to discriminate between a conventional $O(3)$ versus deconfined CP^1 critical point.

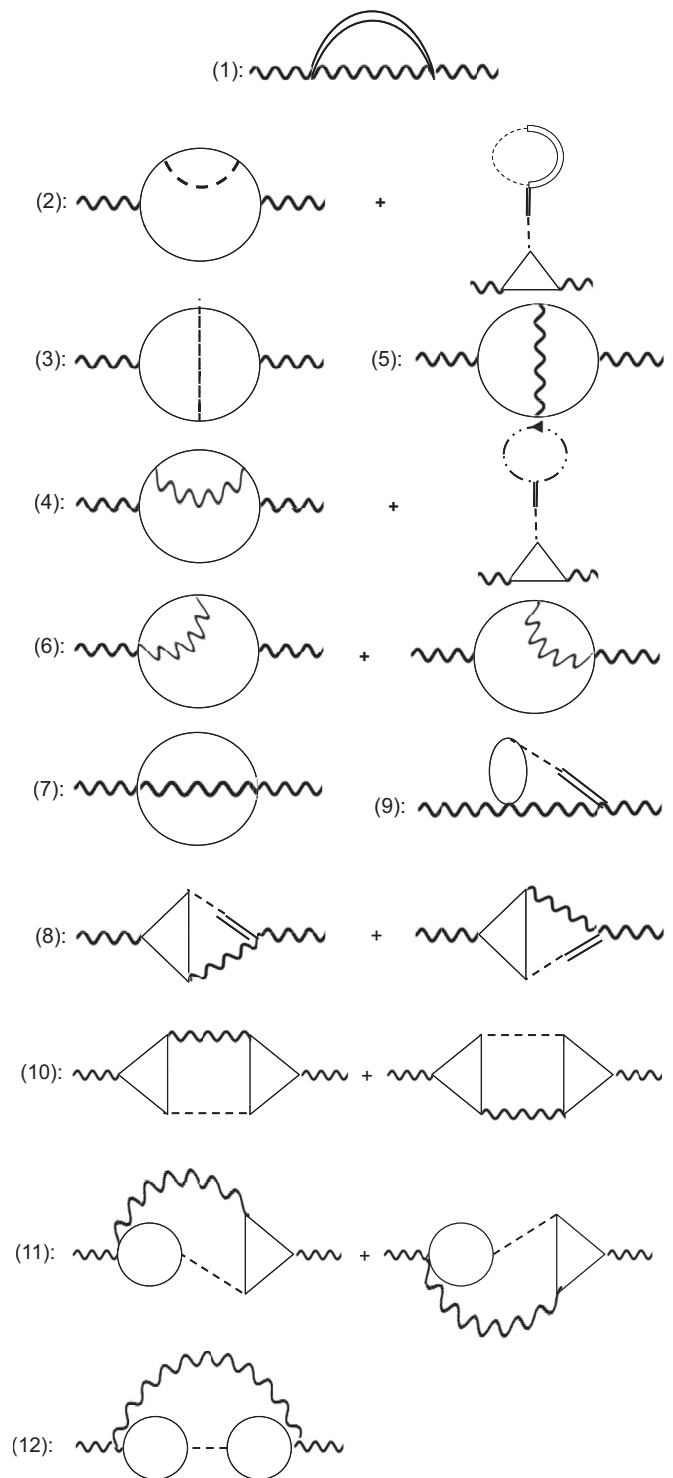


FIG. 10. One-, two-, and three-loop diagrams for the gauge propagator to order $1/N$ in the symmetry-broken phase.

We first computed universal amplitudes of the current-current correlator $\langle J_\mu J_\nu \rangle$ (magnetic transport) and the gauge propagator $\langle A_\mu A_\nu \rangle$ (related to the topological current) in the conformally invariant regime at the critical point. Going to order $1/N$ in a large- N expansion, we clarified the diagrammatic structure in momentum space by demonstrating explicit cancellations of singularities that would otherwise

TABLE IV. Evaluated contributions to the divergent parts of transverse and longitudinal gauge-field self-energies in the symmetry-broken phase of the CP^{N-1} model. All momentum-dependent terms cancel and all that remains is Eq. (36).

Diagram	$N\Sigma_T^{UV}(p)$	$N\Sigma_L^{UV}(p)$	Factor
1	$\frac{\Lambda}{6\pi^2} + \frac{8\sigma_0^2}{\pi^2} \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	$\frac{\Lambda}{6\pi^2} + \frac{8\sigma_0^2}{\pi^2} \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	4
2	$\frac{p}{12\pi^2} \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	0	2
3	$-\frac{p}{6\pi^2} \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	0	1
4	$\frac{8\Lambda}{3\pi^2} + \frac{p\Lambda}{64\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \left(-\frac{p^2}{120\pi^2\sigma_0^2} - \frac{4p}{3\pi^2} - \frac{256\sigma_0^2}{3\pi^2}\right) \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	$\frac{8\Lambda}{3\pi^2} + \left(\frac{p^2}{160\pi^2\sigma_0^2} - \frac{256\sigma_0^2}{3\pi^2}\right) \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	2
5	$\frac{4\Lambda}{3\pi^2} - \frac{p\Lambda}{32\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \frac{\Lambda^2}{48\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \left(\frac{p^2}{120\pi^2\sigma_0^2} - \frac{128\sigma_0^2}{3\pi^2}\right) \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	$\frac{4\Lambda}{3\pi^2} + \frac{\Lambda^2}{48\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \left(\frac{p^2}{240\pi^2\sigma_0^2} - \frac{128\sigma_0^2}{3\pi^2}\right) \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	1
6	$-\frac{4\Lambda}{3\pi^2} - \frac{\Lambda^2}{96\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \left(\frac{2p}{3\pi^2} + \frac{128\sigma_0^2}{3\pi^2} + \frac{p^2}{240\pi^2\sigma_0^2}\right) \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	$-\frac{4\Lambda}{3\pi^2} - \frac{\Lambda^2}{96\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \left(-\frac{p^2}{120\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \frac{128\sigma_0^2}{3\pi^2}\right) \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	4
7	$\frac{2\Lambda}{3\pi^2} + \frac{\Lambda^2}{192\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \left(-\frac{p^2}{480\pi^2\sigma_0^2} - \frac{64\sigma_0^2}{3\pi^2}\right) \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	$\frac{2\Lambda}{3\pi^2} + \frac{\Lambda^2}{192\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \left(\frac{p^2}{240\pi^2\sigma_0^2} - \frac{64\sigma_0^2}{3\pi^2}\right) \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	4
8	$\frac{\Lambda}{3\pi^2} + \frac{16\sigma_0^2}{\pi^2} \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	$\frac{\Lambda}{3\pi^2} + \frac{16\sigma_0^2}{\pi^2} \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	2
9	$-\frac{\Lambda}{6\pi^2} - \frac{8\sigma_0^2}{\pi^2} \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	$-\frac{\Lambda}{6\pi^2} - \frac{8\sigma_0^2}{\pi^2} \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	4
10	$-\frac{\Lambda}{\pi^2} - \frac{\Lambda^2}{96\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \left(\frac{4p}{3\pi^2} + \frac{p^2}{240\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \frac{176\sigma_0^2}{3\pi^2}\right) \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	$-\frac{\Lambda}{\pi^2} - \frac{\Lambda^2}{96\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \left(-\frac{p^2}{120\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \frac{176\sigma_0^2}{3\pi^2}\right) \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	2
11	$\frac{\Lambda}{\pi^2} + \frac{\Lambda^2}{96\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \left(-\frac{2p}{3\pi^2} - \frac{p^2}{240\pi^2\sigma_0^2} - \frac{176\sigma_0^2}{3\pi^2}\right) \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	$\frac{\Lambda}{\pi^2} + \frac{\Lambda^2}{96\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \left(\frac{p^2}{120\pi^2\sigma_0^2} - \frac{176\sigma_0^2}{3\pi^2}\right) \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	4
12	$-\frac{\Lambda}{2\pi^2} - \frac{\Lambda^2}{192\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \left(\frac{p^2}{480\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \frac{88\sigma_0^2}{3\pi^2}\right) \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	$-\frac{\Lambda}{2\pi^2} - \frac{\Lambda^2}{192\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \left(-\frac{p^2}{240\pi^2\sigma_0^2} + \frac{88\sigma_0^2}{3\pi^2}\right) \ln \frac{\Lambda}{32\sigma_0^2}$	4

have violated the (exact) constraints imposed by conformal symmetry in $2 + 1$ dimensions. To achieve this, we developed an algorithm to reliably evaluate tensor-valued momentum integrals by relating them to scalar integrals using Davydychev permutation relations.

We then extended our theory for the CP^{N-1} model to the phase with spontaneously broken $SU(N)$ flavor symmetry thereby providing the groundwork to investigate the nature of vector boson excitations in this regime. The flavor condensate results in a ‘‘Higgsed’’ massive gauge boson and complicates the propagation and interaction channels for the spinons. The $1/N$ approach, in combination with fixed unitary gauge and fermionic ghost fields, was shown to be consistent with Ward identities/Goldstone’s theorem and enabled us to access the critical behavior of the vector boson from the symmetry-broken side of the critical point.

Going forward, we hope that the diagrammatic structure made transparent in this paper becomes helpful also in some

long-standing problems of the correlated electron community, such as capturing the effects of order-parameter fluctuations in two-dimensional superconductors.

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APPENDIX: TENSORIA ALGORITHM FOR TENSOR-VALUED MOMENTUM INTEGRALS

In this appendix, we explain in detail how we evaluate the momentum integrals using TENSORIA. As an example, we step through the evaluation of the integral $J_{\mu\nu}^{\ell m}(p)^{(4)}$ in Eq. (20):

$$J_{\mu\nu}(p)^{(4)} = \frac{16}{N} \int_q \int_k \frac{(2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})_\mu [2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q}) + \mathbf{p}]_\nu [2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{q}]_\lambda (2\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})_\rho}{k^2(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2} \left(\frac{\delta_{\lambda\rho} q^2 - q_\lambda q_\rho}{q^3} \right). \quad (\text{A1})$$

This is the flavor diagonal part after having performed the flavor trace. We first perform the integration over \mathbf{k} . All our self-energy corrections of the form Table II are symmetric in the indices μ, ν and the resulting basis of 3×3 matrices can be spanned by projections onto $J(p)^{(4)} \equiv \delta_{\mu\nu} J_{\mu\nu}(p)^{(4)}$ and $p_\mu p_\nu / |\mathbf{p}|^2 J_{\mu\nu}(p)^{(4)}$. We continue with $J(p)^{(4)}$ as an example. Expanding out the

numerator of $J^{(4)}(p)$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& 16K^2 Q^2 k_\nu p_\lambda + 16K^2 Q^2 k_\rho p_\rho - 8K^2 P^2 k_\rho q_\rho - 16K^2 k_\lambda k_\rho q_\lambda q_\rho - 8K^2 Q^2 k_\lambda q_\lambda \\
& + 16K^2 Q^2 k_\nu q_\nu + 8K^2 R^2 k_\rho q_\rho - 8P^2 k_\nu k_\rho p_\nu q_\rho + 8P^2 Q^2 k_\rho p(\rho) \\
& - 16k_\lambda k_\nu k_\rho p_\nu q_\lambda q_\rho - 8Q^2 k_\lambda k_\nu p_\nu q_\lambda + 16Q^2 k_\nu k_\rho p_\rho q_\nu + 8R^2 k_\nu k_\rho p_\nu q_\rho \\
& + 4Q^4 k_\rho p_\rho + 16Q^2 k_\nu k_\rho p_\nu p_\rho - 4Q^2 R^2 k_\rho p_\rho - 4P^4 k_\rho q_\rho - 8P^2 k_\lambda k(\rho) q_\lambda q_\rho \\
& - 8P^2 k_\nu k_\rho q_\nu q_\rho - 4P^2 Q^2 k_\lambda q_\lambda - 2P^2 Q^2 k_\rho q_\rho + 6P^2 R^2 k_\rho q_\rho - 16k_\lambda k_\nu k_\rho q_\lambda q_\nu q_\rho \\
& - 2Q^4 k_\lambda q_\lambda - 8Q^2 k_\lambda k_\nu q_\lambda q_\nu - 4Q^2 k_\lambda k_\rho q_\lambda q_\rho + 2Q^2 R^2 k_\lambda q_\lambda + 2Q^2 R^2 k_\rho q_\rho \\
& - 2R^4 k_\rho q_\rho + 4R^2 k_\lambda k_\rho q_\lambda q_\rho + 8R^2 k_\nu k_\rho q_\nu q_\rho + 16K^4 Q^2 + 8K^2 P^2 Q^2 + 4K^2 Q^4 - 4K^2 Q^2 R^2
\end{aligned} \tag{A2}$$

with the absolute values of momenta denoted by capital letters $Q = |\mathbf{q}|$, $P = |\mathbf{p}|$, and $K = |\mathbf{k}|$, $R = |\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}|$; following, we will also use $S = |\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}|$.

The next step is to transform the denominator containing four propagators to a sum of terms containing only three propagators using the identity

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{k^2(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{k})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2} &= \frac{1}{2\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q}} \left[\frac{1}{(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2} + \frac{1}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \frac{1}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2} - \frac{1}{k^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})^2(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q})^2} \right].
\end{aligned} \tag{A3}$$

Now, we can write the entire \mathbf{k} -integrand as a sum of terms of the form

$$J_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_M}(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_3; n; \nu_i) = \int d^n \mathbf{k} \frac{k_{\mu_1} \dots k_{\mu_M}}{(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p}_1)^{2\nu_1} (\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p}_2)^{2\nu_2} (\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p}_3)^{2\nu_3}} \tag{A4}$$

matching Eq. (B5) of Bzowski *et al.*³⁸ These tensor-valued integrals are now transformed into a permuted sum of scalar-valued integrals using Davydychev recursion relations^{41,42} as described in the Appendix of Ref. 38. Before the \mathbf{q} integration, we obtain the intermediate result

$$\begin{aligned}
J(p)^{(4)} &= \int_{\mathbf{q}} \left\{ \left[2P^7 R + 2P^6 R(S - 24Q) - P^5(Q^2(17R + S) + 40QRS + R^2(5R + S)) \right. \right. \\
&\quad - 2P^4[76Q^3 R + Q^2 S(4R + S) - 12QR(2R^2 + S^2) + R^2 S(2R + S)] + P^3[Q^4(2S - 44R) \\
&\quad + 2Q^3 S(S - 29R) + Q^2(8R^3 + 3R^2 S + 26RS^2 - S^3) + 2QRS(17R^2 + RS + 10S^2) \\
&\quad + R^2(4R^3 + R^2 S + 2RS^2 - S^3)] + P^2[-160Q^5 R + 2Q^4 S(S - 30R) \\
&\quad + 2Q^3(50R^3 + 2R^2 S + 23RS^2 + S^3) + Q^2 RS(3R^2 + 4RS + 13S^2) \\
&\quad - 2QR^2(6R^3 - 2R^2 S + 9RS^2 - S^3) + R^3 S(3R^2 + 2RS + S^2)] - P[Q^6(21R + S) \\
&\quad + 2Q^5 S(7R + S) + Q^4(-13R^3 - 4R^2 S - 26RS^2 + S^3) - 4Q^3 RS(4R^2 + RS + 3S^2) \\
&\quad - Q^2 R^3(R^2 + 5RS - 24S^2) + 2QR^3 S(5R^2 - 3RS + 6S^2) + R^4(R^3 + 2RS^2 - S^3)] \\
&\quad + R[-56Q^7 - 46Q^6 S + 2Q^5(26R^2 + RS + 13S^2) + Q^4 S(31R^2 + 4RS + 23S^2) \\
&\quad - 2Q^3 R(6R^3 - R^2 S + 8RS^2 - S^3) - 2Q^2 R^2 S(2R^2 - 2RS + 5S^2) + 2QR^3 S^2(S - R) \\
&\quad \left. \left. - R^4 S(R^2 + S^2) \right] \left[\frac{2}{NPQ^3 RS(P^2 + Q^2 - R^2)(P + Q + S)^2} \right] \right\}.
\end{aligned} \tag{A5}$$

To perform the second integration over \mathbf{q} , we rewrite Eq. (A5) as a two-dimensional integral over the angle variable $x = \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q}}{PQ}$ and the modulus $Q = |\mathbf{q}|$. These integrals diverge in the UV for large momenta Q . To separate these UV-divergent terms, we expand the integrand around “ $Q = \infty$ ”.

For the diverging terms, we introduce a UV cutoff Λ and restrict the integration to values $Q \leq \Lambda$. There are two types of divergences: terms diverging as a power law $\sim \Lambda$, where the integrand is a constant and terms diverging logarithmically, where the integrand is proportional to P/Q (or σ_0^2/Q in the symmetry-broken phase). The linearly diverging terms are unimportant and can be absorbed into constant counterterms. In dimensional regularization, compliant with Lorentz symmetry, these would not be there anyway. On the other hand, the logarithmically divergent terms (e.g., those in Table IV) involve another energy scale and by the usual “resummation” of those terms, we can extract critical exponents.

The nondiverging terms can be integrated without a cutoff, sometimes even analytically but always numerically. Note that to compute the universal amplitudes C_J and C_A in Eqs. (18), (21), and (26) *all contributions* have to be carefully summed; it is not sufficient to restrict to singular terms.

We have programmed all of the just-mentioned steps as a MATHEMATICA algorithm to manage the computational complexity. Let us mention that the integration of *each* of the multi-index terms of the form of Eq. (A2) can entail hundreds of terms which necessitates computerization of all the intermediate steps. Each individual substitution and permutation (sub)routines was checked against direct numerical integration. All other momentum integrals, including those for three-loop diagrams (Fig. 6) or in the symmetry-broken phase (Fig. 10), can be reduced to products and sums of integrals of the form Eq. (A4) and we evaluate them similarly.

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