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$$\begin{aligned} W^+ = & \left( \frac{35}{27} (\partial^4 \varphi)^2 + \frac{56}{27} \partial^5 \varphi \partial^3 \varphi + \frac{28}{27} \partial^6 \varphi \partial^2 \varphi + \frac{8}{27} \partial^7 \varphi \partial \varphi - \frac{280}{9\sqrt{3}} (\partial^3 \varphi)^2 \partial^2 \varphi \right. \\ & - \frac{70}{3\sqrt{3}} \partial^4 \varphi (\partial^2 \varphi)^2 - \frac{280}{9\sqrt{3}} \partial^4 \varphi \partial^3 \varphi \partial \varphi - \frac{56}{3\sqrt{3}} \partial^5 \varphi \partial^2 \varphi \partial \varphi - \frac{28}{9\sqrt{3}} \partial^6 \varphi (\partial \varphi)^2 \\ & + \frac{35}{3} (\partial^2 \varphi)^4 + \frac{280}{3} \partial^3 \varphi (\partial^2 \varphi)^2 \partial \varphi + \frac{280}{9} (\partial^3 \varphi)^2 (\partial \varphi)^2 + \frac{140}{3} \partial^4 \varphi \partial^2 \varphi (\partial \varphi)^2 \\ & + \frac{56}{9} \partial^5 \varphi (\partial \varphi)^3 - \frac{140}{\sqrt{3}} (\partial^2 \varphi)^3 (\partial \varphi)^2 - \frac{560}{3\sqrt{3}} \partial^3 \varphi \partial^2 \varphi (\partial \varphi)^2 - \frac{70}{3\sqrt{3}} \partial^4 \varphi (\partial \varphi)^4 \\ & \left. + 70 (\partial^2 \varphi)^2 (\partial \varphi)^4 + \frac{56}{3} \partial^3 \varphi (\partial \varphi)^5 - \frac{28}{\sqrt{3}} \partial^2 \varphi (\partial \varphi)^6 + (\partial \varphi)^8 - \frac{1}{27\sqrt{3}} \partial^8 \varphi \right) e^{2\sqrt{3}\varphi}, \end{aligned}$$



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 & - \frac{1225}{64\sqrt{3}} \partial^4 \varphi (\partial^3 \varphi)^2 - \frac{13475}{576\sqrt{3}} (\partial^4 \varphi)^2 \partial^2 \varphi + \frac{2695}{64\sqrt{3}} \partial^5 \varphi \partial^3 \varphi \partial^2 \varphi + \frac{2555}{192\sqrt{3}} \partial^5 \varphi \partial^4 \varphi \partial \varphi \\
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 & - \frac{105\sqrt{3}}{4} (\partial^3 \varphi)^2 \partial^2 \varphi (\partial \varphi)^2 + \frac{665}{24\sqrt{3}} \partial^4 \varphi (\partial^2 \varphi)^2 (\partial \varphi)^2 + \frac{245}{2\sqrt{3}} \partial^4 \varphi \partial^3 \varphi (\partial \varphi)^3 \\
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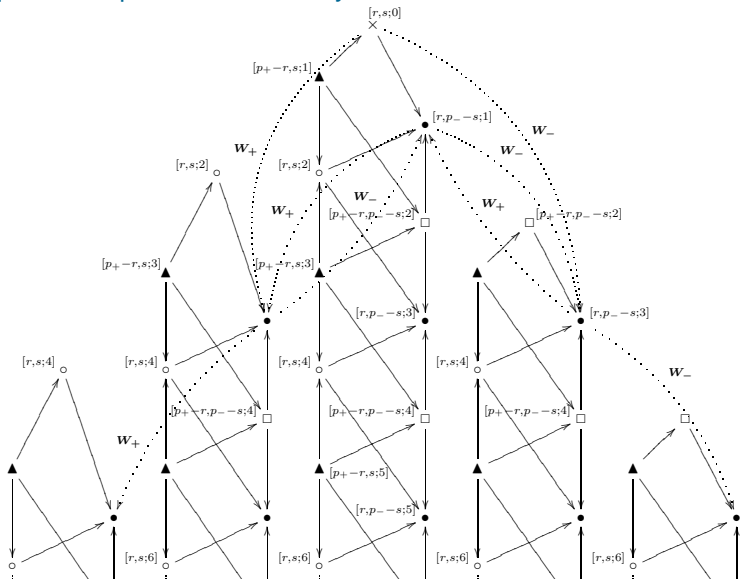
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$$W^+(z) W^-(w) = 2^7 \cdot 3 \cdot 5^3 \cdot 7^2 \cdot 11 \cdot 17 \frac{T(w)}{(z-w)^{28}} + \dots,$$

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For  $(p, 1)$  models, the QG is even simpler,

$$\begin{aligned}KEK^{-1} &= q^2 E, & [E, F] &= \frac{K - K^{-1}}{q - q^{-1}}, \\KFK^{-1} &= q^{-2} F, \\E^p &= 0, & F^p &= 0, & K^{2p} &= 1,\end{aligned}$$

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