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Critical behaviour in the single-flavor Planar Thirring Model

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The Thirring model describes relativistic fermions with a contact interaction between conserved fermion currents. In 2+1 spacetime dimensions its $U(2N)$ global symmetry is broken at strong coupling to $U(N) \otimes U(N)$ through generation of a non-vanishing bilinear condensate $\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle \neq 0$. I present results of numerical simulations of the single-flavour model using domain wall fermions, which preserve $U(2)$ in the limit wall separation $L_s \rightarrow \infty$. The results confirm symmetry breaking takes place implying the critical flavour number $N_c \geq 1$. I will also present results for the critical equation of state showing it is consistent with the existence of a quantum critical point with critical exponents distinct from those obtained with staggered fermions.

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