# TWO-BODY LATTICE HAMILTONIANS WITH FIRST AND SECOND NEAREST-NEIGHBORING-SITE INTERACTIONS\*

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## Motivation and problem setup

In this presentation, our main object of study is a TWO-particle system on a TWO-dimensional (2D) lattice. But to make the introduction easier and softer, we start with an example of a one-particle system on a 1-dimensional lattice.

LATTICE SIMPLEST EXAMPLE: One-dimensional lattice  $\iff \mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2\dots\}$ , the set of entire numbers. Hilbert space:

$$l_2 = l_2(\mathbb{Z}) = \left\{ \widehat{f} : \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{C} \mid \sum_{n = -\infty}^{\infty} |\widehat{f}(n)|^2 < \infty \right\}$$

Kinetic energy operator of a particle on the 1D-lattice  $\mathbb{Z}$  is simply the second finite difference operator (up to a constant):

$$(\widehat{H}_0 f)(n) := -\frac{1}{2}\widehat{f}(n-1) - \frac{1}{2}\widehat{f}(n+1) + \widehat{f}(n).$$

Plus potential, say, a local operator

$$(\widehat{V}\widehat{f})(n) := \widehat{V}(n)\widehat{f}(n), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

where  $\widehat{V}$  is a (decreasing as  $|n| \to \infty$ ) real-valued function on  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

In (quasi)momentum space: Perform the Fourier transform  $\mathcal{F}: l_2(\mathbb{Z}) \to L_2(\mathbb{T})$ ,

$$f(p) = (\mathcal{F}\widehat{f})(p) := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ipn} \widehat{f}(n), \quad p \in [-\pi, \pi] =: \mathbb{T}, \quad f \in L_2(\mathbb{T}).$$

Then  $H_0$  transforms into

$$(H_0f)(p) = (1 - \cos p)f(p).$$

This implies that the spectrum of  $H_0$  (and, hence, the spectrum of  $\hat{H}_0$ ) is purely absolutely continuous and fills the interval

$$\sigma(H_0) = [\min_{p \in \mathbb{T}} (1 - \cos p), \max_{p \in \mathbb{T}} (1 - \cos p)] = [0, 2].$$

A lot of things is known on the one-particle 1D-Hamiltonians (there is a scattering theory, see say, [Yafaev 2017]). Particular case of Jacobi matrices/operators. [Belyaev, Sandhas, AM 1997] used to explain enhancement of molecular-nuclear transitions due new-threshold resonances.

*N*-body ( $N \ge 1$ ) problems on lattices: setup and a review in [Mattis 1986]. Including lattice dimensions up to 3 and even more. Since 1980s, a major contribution due to S.Lakaev and his students in Samarkand + coworkers from other cities/countries.

Interest to the few-body lattice problems is motivated, in paticular, by:

- Few-body lattice Hamiltonian may be viewed as a MINIMALIST version of the corresponding Bose- or Fermi-Hubbard model involving a fixed finite number of particles of a certain type.
- These hamiltonians represent a natural approximation for their continuous counterparts allowing to study few-body phenomena in the context of the theory of BOUNDED operators.
- The simplest and natural model for description of few-body systems formed by particles traveling through PERIODIC structures, say, for ulracold atoms injected into optical crystals created by the interference of counter-propagating laser beams.
- EFIMOV EFFECT, originally attributed to the three-body systems moving in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  (1969/70). Efimov effect is present in three-body systems on the three-dimensional lattice  $\mathbb{Z}^3$  [Lakaev:1993] + [Albeverio Lakaev et al 2004, 2012].

Remark. The existence of Efimov-type phenomena:

- in a 5-boson system on a line  $\mathbb{R}^1$  [Nishida et al 2010],
- in a 4-boson system on a plane  $\mathbb{R}^2$  [Nishida 2017],
- for 3 spinless fermions moving on the plane  $\mathbb{R}^2$  [Nishida et al 2013].

In the latter case, a mathematical proof is available [Gridnev 2014], [Tamura 2019], and the phenomenon acquired the name of a super Efimov effect, because of the double exponential convergence of the binding energies to the three-body threshold.

One may guess that similar phenomena take place in the lattice case. Nothing has yet been done.

Now, introduce the Hamiltonian we discuss now.

Let  $\mathbb{Z}^2 = \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  be the two-dimensional lattice and  $\ell^{2,a}(\mathbb{Z}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}^2) \subset \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}^2)$ , the Hilbert space of square–summable antisymmetric functions:

$$\widehat{f} \in \ell^{2,a}(\mathbb{Z}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}^2) \iff \widehat{f}(y,x) = -\widehat{f}(x,y), \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{Z},$$
$$\sum_{x = -\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{y = -\infty}^{\infty} |\widehat{f}(x,y)|^2 < \infty.$$

In the position-space, the Hamiltonian  $\widehat{\mathbf{H}}_{\lambda\mu}$  for a system of two fermions with a first and second nearest-neighboring-site interaction potential  $\widehat{\mathbf{V}}_{\lambda\mu}$  is an operator on  $\ell^{2,a}(\mathbb{Z}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}^2)$  of the following form:

$$\widehat{\mathbf{H}}_{\lambda\mu} = \widehat{\mathbf{H}}_0 + \widehat{\mathbf{V}}_{\lambda\mu}, \ \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}.$$
(1)

Here,  $\widehat{\mathbf{H}}_0$  is the kinetic energy operator of the system, defined on  $\ell^{2,a}(\mathbb{Z}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}^2)$  as  $(-1) \times$  finite-difference Laplacian (up to a constant) in 2D, i.e. on  $\mathbb{Z}^2$ :

$$[\widehat{\mathbf{H}}_0\widehat{f}](x_1,x_2) = \sum_{s_1 \in \mathbb{Z}^2} \widehat{\varepsilon}(x_1 - s_1)\widehat{f}(s_1,x_2) + \sum_{s_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^2} \widehat{\varepsilon}(x_2 - s_2)\widehat{f}(x_1,s_2), \ \widehat{f} \in \ell^{2,a}(\mathbb{Z}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}^2), \quad (2)$$

where

$$\widehat{\varepsilon}(s) = \begin{cases} 2, & |s| = 0, \\ -\frac{1}{2}, & |s| = 1, \\ 0, & |s| > 1, \end{cases}$$
(3)

with  $|s| = |s_1| + |s_2|$  for  $s = (s_1, s_2) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ .

The first and second nearest-neighboring-site interaction potential  $\widehat{\mathbf{V}}_{\lambda\mu}$  is the operator of multiplication by a function  $\widehat{v}_{\lambda\mu}$ ,

$$[\widehat{\mathbf{V}}_{\lambda\mu}\widehat{f}](x_1,x_2) = \widehat{v}_{\lambda\mu}(x_1-x_2)\widehat{f}(x_1,x_2), \ \widehat{f} \in \ell^{2,a}(\mathbb{Z}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}^2),$$
(4)

where

$$\widehat{v}_{\lambda\mu}(s) = \begin{cases} \frac{\lambda}{2}, & |s| = 1, \\ \frac{\mu}{2}, & |s| = 2, \\ 0, & s = 0 \text{ or } |s| > 2. \end{cases}$$
(5)

Notice that  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are positions of the particles 1 and 2 on the lattice  $\mathbb{Z}^2$ . All the three operators

$$\widehat{f H}_0$$
,  $\widehat{f V}_{\lambda\mu}$ , and  $\widehat{f H}_{\lambda\mu}=\widehat{f H}_0+\widehat{f V}_{\lambda\mu}$ 

(for  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$ ) are bounded and self-adjoint.

Let  $\mathbb{T}^2 \equiv [-\pi, \pi] \times [-\pi, \pi]$ , and let  $L^{2,a}(\mathbb{T}^2 \times \mathbb{T}^2)$  be the Hilbert space of square-integrable antisymmetric functions on  $\mathbb{T}^2 \times \mathbb{T}^2$ .

The quasimomentum-space version of the Hamiltonian  $\widehat{\mathbf{H}}_{\lambda\mu} = \widehat{\mathbf{H}}_0 + \widehat{\mathbf{V}}_{\lambda\mu}$  reads as

$$\mathbf{H}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}\boldsymbol{\mu}} := (\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{F}) \widehat{\mathbf{H}}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}\boldsymbol{\mu}} (\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{F})^*,$$

where  $\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{F}$  denotes the Fourier transform. The operator  $\mathbf{H}_{\lambda\mu}$  acts on  $L^{2,a}(\mathbb{T}^2 \times \mathbb{T}^2)$  and has the form  $\mathbf{H}_{\lambda\mu} = \mathbf{H}_0 + \mathbf{V}_{\lambda\mu}$ , where  $\mathbf{H}_0 = (\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{F}) \widehat{\mathbf{H}}_0 (\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{F})^*$  is the multiplication operator:

$$[\mathbf{H}_0 f](p,q) = [\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(p) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(q)]f(p,q),$$

with

$$\varepsilon(p) := \sum_{i=1}^{2} (1 - \cos p_i), \quad p = (p_1, p_2) \in \mathbb{T}^2,$$

the dispersion relation of a single fermion. The interaction  $V_{\lambda\mu} = (\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{F}) \widehat{V}_{\lambda\mu} (\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{F})^*$  is the integral operator

$$[\mathbf{V}_{\lambda\mu}f](p,q) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} v_{\lambda\mu}(p-u)f(u,p+q-u)du$$

with the kernel function

$$v_{\lambda\mu}(p) = \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{2} \cos p_i + \mu \sum_{i=1}^{2} \cos 2p_i + 2\mu \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{i\neq j=1}^{2} \cos p_i \cos p_j, \quad p = (p_1, p_2) \in \mathbb{T}^2.$$

#### The Floquet-Bloch decomposition of $\mathbf{H}_{\lambda\mu}$ and fiber Hamiltonians $H_{\lambda\mu}(K)$

Since  $\widehat{\mathbf{H}}_{\lambda\mu}$  commutes with the representation of the discrete group  $\mathbb{Z}^2$  by shift operators on the lattice, the space  $L^{2,a}(\mathbb{T}^2 \times \mathbb{T}^2)$  and  $\mathbf{H}_{\lambda\mu}$  admit decomposition into the von Neumann direct integral:

$$L^{2,a}(\mathbb{T}^2 \times \mathbb{T}^2) \simeq \int_{K \in \mathbb{T}^2}^{\oplus} L^{2,o}(\mathbb{T}^2) \,\mathrm{d}K \tag{6}$$

and

$$\mathbf{H}_{\lambda\mu} \simeq \int_{K \in \mathbb{T}^2}^{\oplus} H_{\lambda\mu}(K) \,\mathrm{d}K,\tag{7}$$

where  $L^{2,o}(\mathbb{T}^2)$  is the Hilbert space of odd functions on  $\mathbb{T}^2$ . The fiber Hamiltonian  $H_{\lambda\mu}(K)$ ,  $K \in \mathbb{T}^2$ , acting on  $L^{2,o}(\mathbb{T}^2)$ , is of the form

$$H_{\lambda\mu}(K) := H_0(K) + V_{\lambda\mu}, \tag{8}$$

where  $H_0(K)$  is the operator of multiplication by the function

$$\mathcal{E}_{K}(p) := 2\sum_{i=1}^{2} \left( 1 - \cos\frac{K_{i}}{2}\cos p_{i} \right)$$
(9)

and the perturbation operator  $V_{\lambda\mu}$  is given by

$$[V_{\lambda\mu}f](s) = \frac{\lambda}{(2\pi)^2} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sin s_i \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \sin t_i f(t) dt + \frac{\mu}{(2\pi)^2} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sin 2s_i \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \sin 2t_i f(t) dt \qquad (10)$$
$$+ \frac{\mu}{2\pi^2} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^{2} \sin s_i \cos s_j \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \sin t_i \cos t_j f(t) dt.$$

Obviously, both the operators  $H_0(K)$  and  $V_{\lambda\mu}$  are bounded and self-adjoint. The parameter  $K \in \mathbb{T}^2$  is nothing but the *two-particle center-of-mass quasimomentum* Moreover,  $V_{\lambda\mu}$  is finite rank, dim Ran $(V_{\lambda\mu}) \leq 6$  for any  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$ .

#### The essential spectrum of the (fiber) two-body Hamiltonians

Depending on  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$ , the rank of  $V_{\lambda\mu}$  varies but never exceeds six. Hence, by Weyl's theorem, for any  $K \in \mathbb{T}^2$  the essential (continuous) spectrum  $\sigma_{ess}(H_{\lambda\mu}(K))$  of  $H_{\lambda\mu}(K)$  coincides with the spectrum of  $H_0(K)$ , i.e.,

$$\sigma_{\rm ess}(H_{\lambda\mu}(K)) = \sigma(H_0(K)) = [\mathcal{E}_{\rm min}(K), \mathcal{E}_{\rm max}(K)], \qquad (11)$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathcal{E}_{\min}(K) := \min_{p \in \mathbb{T}^2} \mathcal{E}_K(p) = 2\sum_{i=1}^2 \left( 1 - \cos \frac{K_i}{2} \right) \ge \mathcal{E}_{\min}(0) = 0, \\ &\mathcal{E}_{\max}(K) := \max_{p \in \mathbb{T}^2} \mathcal{E}_K(p) = 2\sum_{i=1}^2 \left( 1 + \cos \frac{K_i}{2} \right) \le \mathcal{E}_{\max}(0) = 8, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\mathcal{E}_{K}(p) := 2\sum_{i=1}^{2} \left( 1 - \cos \frac{K_{i}}{2} \cos p_{i} \right).$$
(12)

### Main results

**Theorem 1.** Suppose that, counting multiplicities.  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$  has n eigenvalues below (resp. above) the essential spectrum for some  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then for each  $K \in \mathbb{T}^2$  the operator  $H_{\lambda\mu}(K)$  has at least n eigenvalues below (resp. above) its essential spectrum, counting multiplicities.

Denote by  $\mu_0^{\pm}$  and  $\mu_1^{\pm}$  the following numbers:

$$\mu_0^{\pm} = \frac{88 - 30\pi \pm \sqrt{1044\pi^2 - 6720\pi + 10816}}{240\pi - 24\pi^2 - 512}\pi,$$
(13)

and

$$\mu_1^{\pm} = \frac{128 - 16\pi - 9\pi^2 \pm \sqrt{225\pi^4 - 1440\pi^3 + 3904\pi^2 - 10240\pi + 16384}}{120\pi - 12\pi^2 - 256}.$$
 (14)

Note that the numerical values of  $\mu_0^\pm$  and  $\mu_1^\pm$  are as follows:

$$\mu_0^- = -5.6172..., \quad \mu_0^+ = -2.0623..., \quad \mu_1^- = -5.7523..., \quad \mu_1^+ = -2.9272...,$$

and, hence, these numbers satisfy the relations

$$\mu_1^- < \mu_0^- < \mu_1^+ < \mu_0^+ < 0. \tag{15}$$

By using the numbers  $\mu_0^+, \mu_0^-$  and  $\mu_1^+, \mu_1^-$  we introduce the following non-overlapping connected components of the  $(\lambda, \mu)$  plane.

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{C}_{0}^{-} &= \{ (\lambda, \mu) \in \mathbb{R}^{2} : \lambda > -\frac{8(\mu - \mu_{0}^{+})(\mu - \mu_{0}^{-})}{(\mu - \mu_{1}^{+})(\mu - \mu_{1}^{-})}, \ \mu > \mu_{1}^{+} \}, \\ \mathbb{C}_{1}^{-} &= \{ (\lambda, \mu) \in \mathbb{R}^{2} : \lambda < -\frac{8(\mu - \mu_{0}^{+})(\mu - \mu_{0}^{-})}{(\mu - \mu_{1}^{+})(\mu - \mu_{1}^{-})}, \ \mu > \mu_{1}^{+} \} \\ &\cup \{ (\lambda, \mu) \in \mathbb{R}^{2} : \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \ \mu = \mu_{1}^{+} \} \\ &\cup \{ (\lambda, \mu) \in \mathbb{R}^{2} : \lambda > -\frac{8(\mu - \mu_{0}^{+})(\mu - \mu_{0}^{-})}{(\mu - \mu_{1}^{+})(\mu - \mu_{1}^{-})}, \ \mu_{1}^{-} < \mu < \mu_{1}^{+} \}, \\ \mathbb{C}_{2}^{-} &= \{ (\lambda, \mu) \in \mathbb{R}^{2} : \lambda < -\frac{8(\mu - \mu_{0}^{+})(\mu - \mu_{0}^{-})}{(\mu - \mu_{1}^{+})(\mu - \mu_{1}^{-})}, \ \mu_{1}^{-} < \mu < \mu_{1}^{+} \} \\ &\cup \{ (\lambda, \mu) \in \mathbb{R}^{2} : \lambda < -\frac{8(\mu - \mu_{0}^{+})(\mu - \mu_{0}^{-})}{(\mu - \mu_{1}^{+})(\mu - \mu_{1}^{-})}, \ \mu < \mu_{1}^{-} \}, \\ \mathbb{C}_{3}^{-} &= \{ (\lambda, \mu) \in \mathbb{R}^{2} : \lambda < -\frac{8(\mu - \mu_{0}^{+})(\mu - \mu_{0}^{-})}{(\mu - \mu_{1}^{+})(\mu - \mu_{1}^{-})}, \ \mu < \mu_{1}^{-} \} \end{split}$$

and

$$\begin{split} & \mathbb{C}_{0}^{+} = \{(\lambda,\mu) \in \mathbb{R}^{2} : \lambda < \frac{8(\mu + \mu_{0}^{+})(\mu + \mu_{0}^{-})}{(\mu + \mu_{1}^{+})(\mu + \mu_{1}^{-})}, \, \mu < -\mu_{1}^{+}\}, \\ & \mathbb{C}_{1}^{+} = \{(\lambda,\mu) \in \mathbb{R}^{2} : \, \lambda > \frac{8(\mu + \mu_{0}^{+})(\mu + \mu_{0}^{-})}{(\mu + \mu_{1}^{+})(\mu + \mu_{1}^{-})}, \, \mu < -\mu_{1}^{+}\} \\ & \cup \{(\lambda,\mu) \in \mathbb{R}^{2} : \, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \, \mu = -\mu_{1}^{+}\} \\ & \cup \{(\lambda,\mu) \in \mathbb{R}^{2} : \, \lambda < \frac{8(\mu + \mu_{0}^{+})(\mu + \mu_{0}^{-})}{(\mu + \mu_{1}^{+})(\mu + \mu_{1}^{-})}, \, -\mu_{1}^{+} < \mu < -\mu_{1}^{-}\}, \\ & \mathbb{C}_{2}^{+} = \{(\lambda,\mu) \in \mathbb{R}^{2} : \, \lambda > \frac{8(\mu + \mu_{0}^{+})(\mu + \mu_{0}^{-})}{(\mu + \mu_{1}^{+})(\mu + \mu_{1}^{-})}, \, -\mu_{1}^{+} < \mu < -\mu_{1}^{-}\} \\ & \cup \{(\lambda,\mu) \in \mathbb{R}^{2} : \, \lambda > \frac{8(\mu + \mu_{0}^{+})(\mu + \mu_{0}^{-})}{(\mu + \mu_{1}^{+})(\mu + \mu_{1}^{-})}, \, \mu > -\mu_{1}^{-}\}, \\ & \mathbb{C}_{3}^{+} = \{(\lambda,\mu) \in \mathbb{R}^{2} : \, \lambda > \frac{8(\mu + \mu_{0}^{+})(\mu + \mu_{0}^{-})}{(\mu + \mu_{1}^{+})(\mu + \mu_{1}^{-})}, \, \mu > -\mu_{1}^{-}\}. \end{split}$$

It turns out that in each of the above components  $\mathcal{C}_k^-$ , the number of eigenvalues of the operator  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$ , lying below its essential spectrum, remains constant. In a similar way, any of the components  $\mathcal{C}_k^+$  is a domain where the number of eigenvalues of  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$ , lying above the essential spectrum (11), does not vary. Both these facts are established in the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $\mathbb{C}^-$  be one of the above connected components  $\mathbb{C}_k^-$ , k = 0, 1, 2, 3, of the partition of the  $(\lambda, \mu)$ -plane. Then for any  $(\lambda, \mu) \in \mathbb{C}^-$  the number  $n_-(H_{\lambda\mu}(0))$  of eigenvalues of  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$  (counting multiplicities) lying below the essential spectrum  $\sigma_{\text{ess}}(H_{\lambda\mu}(0))$  remains constant. Analogously, let  $\mathbb{C}^+$  be one of the above connected components  $\mathbb{C}_k^+$ , k = 0, 1, 2, 3, of the partition of the  $(\lambda, \mu)$ -plane. Then for any  $(\lambda, \mu) \in \mathbb{C}^+$  the number  $n_+(H_{\lambda\mu}(0))$  of eigenvalues of  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$  (counting multiplicities) lying above  $\sigma_{\text{ess}}(H_{\lambda\mu}(0))$  remains constant.



Domains  $\mathcal{C}_n^-$  with fixed number of eigenvalues (equal to 2n) below the essential (continuous) spectrum of  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$ .



Domains  $\mathcal{C}_n^+$  with fixed number of eigenvalues (equal to 2n) below the essential (continuous) spectrum of  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$ .

The result below concerns the number of eigenvalues of the fiber Hamiltonian  $H_{\lambda\mu}(K)$  for various K and  $(\lambda, \mu)$ .

**Theorem 3.** Let  $K \in \mathbb{T}^2$  and  $(\lambda, \mu) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Then for the numbers  $n_+(H_{\lambda\mu}(K))$  and  $n_-(H_{\lambda\mu}(K))$  of eigenvalues of the operator  $H_{\lambda\mu}(K)$  lying, respectively, above and below its essential spectrum  $\sigma_{ess}(H_{\lambda\mu}(K))$ , the following two series of implications hold:

$$\begin{aligned} &(\lambda,\mu) \in \mathcal{C}_{3}^{+} \cap \mathcal{C}_{0}^{-} &\Longrightarrow & n_{+}(H_{\lambda\mu}(K)) = 6, \\ &(\lambda,\mu) \in \mathcal{C}_{2}^{+} \cap \mathcal{C}_{0}^{-} \operatorname{or}(\lambda,\mu) \in \mathcal{C}_{2}^{+} \cap \mathcal{C}_{1}^{-} \Longrightarrow & n_{+}(H_{\lambda\mu}(K)) \geq 4, \\ &(\lambda,\mu) \in \mathcal{C}_{1}^{+} \cap \mathcal{C}_{0}^{-} \operatorname{or}(\lambda,\mu) \in \mathcal{C}_{1}^{+} \cap \mathcal{C}_{1}^{-} \Longrightarrow & n_{+}(H_{\lambda\mu}(K)) \geq 2, \\ &(\lambda,\mu) \in \overline{\mathcal{C}_{0}^{+}} &\Longrightarrow & n_{+}(H_{\lambda\mu}(K)) \geq 0, \end{aligned}$$
(16)

and

$$\begin{aligned} (\lambda,\mu) &\in \mathcal{C}_{3}^{-} \cap \mathcal{C}_{0}^{+} &\Longrightarrow & n_{-}(H_{\lambda\mu}(K)) = 6, \\ (\lambda,\mu) &\in \mathcal{C}_{2}^{-} \cap \mathcal{C}_{0}^{+} \operatorname{or}(\lambda,\mu) \in \mathcal{C}_{2}^{-} \cap \mathcal{C}_{1}^{+} \implies & n_{-}(H_{\lambda\mu}(K)) \ge 4, \\ (\lambda,\mu) &\in \mathcal{C}_{1}^{-} \cap \mathcal{C}_{0}^{+} \operatorname{or}(\lambda,\mu) \in \mathcal{C}_{1}^{-} \cap \mathcal{C}_{1}^{+} \implies & n_{-}(H_{\lambda\mu}(K)) \ge 2, \\ (\lambda,\mu) &\in \overline{\mathcal{C}_{0}^{-}} &\Longrightarrow & n_{-}(H_{\lambda\mu}(K)) \ge 0, \end{aligned}$$
(17)

where  $\mathcal{A}$  is the closure of the set  $\mathcal{A}$ .

In fact, the estimates for the numbers  $n_+(H_{\lambda\mu}(K))$  and  $n_-(H_{\lambda\mu}(K))$  of eigenvalues of the operator  $H_{\lambda\mu}(K)$  obtained in Theorem 3 are sharp.

The next theorem establishes the exact number of eigenvalues of  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$  outside its essential spectrum.

**Theorem 4.** For various  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$ , the numbers and multiplicities of eigenvalues of  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$  outside the set  $\sigma_{ess}(H_{\lambda\mu}(0))$  are described in the following statements.

(i) For any  $(\lambda, \mu) \in \mathcal{C}_{30} = \mathcal{C}_3^-$  the operator  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$  has exactly three eigenvalues  $z_1(\lambda, \mu; 0)$ ,  $z_2(\lambda, \mu; 0)$  and  $z_3(\lambda, \mu; 0)$  of multiplicity two satisfying

$$z_1(\lambda,\mu;0) < z_2(\lambda,\mu;0) < z_3(\lambda,\mu;0) < 0.$$
 (18)

(ii) For any  $(\lambda, \mu) \in \mathcal{C}_{20} := \mathcal{C}_2^- \cap \mathcal{C}_0^+$  the operator  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$  has two eigenvalues  $z_1(\lambda, \mu; 0)$  and  $z_2(\lambda, \mu; 0)$  of multiplicity two satisfying

$$z_1(\lambda,\mu;0) < z_2(\lambda,\mu;0) < 0 \tag{19}$$

and it has no eigenvalues in  $(8, +\infty)$ 

(iii) For any  $(\lambda, \mu) \in \mathcal{C}_{21} := \mathcal{C}_2^- \cap \mathcal{C}_1^+$ , the operator  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$  has two eigenvalues  $z_1(\lambda, \mu; 0)$  and  $z_2(\lambda, \mu; 0)$  of multiplicity two in  $(-\infty, 0)$  and it has one eigenvalue of multiplicity two in  $(8, +\infty)$ .

(iv) For any  $(\lambda, \mu) \in \mathcal{C}_{11} := \mathcal{C}_1^- \cap \mathcal{C}_1^+$ , the operator  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$  has two eigenvalues  $z_1(\lambda, \mu) < 0$ and  $z_2(\lambda, \mu) > 8$  of multiplicity two.

- (v) For any  $(\lambda, \mu) \in \mathcal{C}_{10} := \mathcal{C}_1^- \cap \mathcal{C}_0^+$ , the operator  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$  has one eigenvalue  $z(\lambda, \mu; 0)$  of multiplicity two in  $(-\infty, 0)$ , nevertheless it has no eigenvalues in  $(8, +\infty)$ .
- (vi) For any  $(\lambda, \mu) \in \mathcal{C}_{00} := \mathcal{C}_0^- \cap \mathcal{C}_0^+$ , the operator  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$  has no eigenvalues outside of the essential spectrum.
- (vii) For any  $(\lambda, \mu) \in \mathcal{C}_{01} := \mathcal{C}_0^- \cap \mathcal{C}_1^+$ , the operator  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$  has one eigenvalue  $z(\lambda, \mu; 0)$  of multiplicity two in  $(8, +\infty)$  and it has no eigenvalues in  $(-\infty, 0)$ .
- (ix) For any  $(\lambda, \mu) \in \mathcal{C}_{02} := \mathcal{C}_0^- \cap \mathcal{C}_2^+$ , the operator  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$  has two eigenvalues  $z_1(\lambda, \mu; 0)$  and  $z_2(\lambda, \mu; 0)$  of multiplicity two satisfying

$$8 < z_2(\lambda, \mu; 0) < z_1(\lambda, \mu; 0)$$
<sup>(20)</sup>

and it has no eigenvalues in  $(-\infty, 0)$ .

- (viii) For any  $(\lambda, \mu) \in \mathcal{C}_{12} = \mathcal{C}_1^- \cap \mathcal{C}_2^+$ , the operator  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$  has one eigenvalue of multiplicity two in  $(-\infty, 0)$  and it has two eigenvalues  $z_1(\lambda, \mu; 0)$  and  $z_2(\lambda, \mu; 0)$  of multiplicity two in  $(8, +\infty)$ .
  - (x) For any  $(\lambda, \mu) \in \mathcal{C}_{03} := \mathcal{C}_{3}^{+}$ , the operator  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$  has exactly three eigenvalues  $z_{1}(\lambda, \mu; 0)$ ,  $z_{2}(\lambda, \mu; 0)$  and  $z_{3}(\lambda, \mu; 0)$  of multiplicity two satisfying

$$8 < z_3(\lambda,\mu;0) < z_2(\lambda,\mu;0) < z_1(\lambda,\mu;0).$$
(21)



Partition of the  $(\lambda, \mu)$ -plane of parameters  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$  in the connected components  $\mathcal{C}_{\alpha\beta}, \alpha, \beta = 0, 1, 2, 3$ . These components are tagged by the symbols  $N_{-}|N_{+}$  formed of the numbers  $N_{-} := n_{-}(H_{\lambda,\mu}(0))$  and  $N_{+} := n_{+}(H_{\lambda,\mu}(0))$  of eigenvalues of  $H_{\lambda\mu}(0)$  lying below and above the essential spectrum, resp.

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