

# Equivalent Hermitian Hamiltonians for some non-Hermitian Hamiltonians

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## Abstract

Six years ago, by using operator techniques and path-integral methods, it was shown that the complex non-Hermitian PT-symmetric Hamiltonian  $p^2 - gx^4$  is equivalent to a conventional Hermitian Hamiltonian  $p^2 + 4gx^4 - 2\sqrt{g}x$ . Further it was revealed that the linear term in the Hermitian Hamiltonian is anomalous in the sense that it has no classical analog. In this paper we show that the complex non-Hermitian PT-symmetric Hamiltonian  $p^2 - gx^4 + 4i\sqrt{g}x$  and the conventional Hermitian Hamiltonian  $p^2 + 4gx^4 + 6\sqrt{g}x$  have the same eigenspectra. In this case, the anomalous terms in both Hamiltonians are different from the previous one and vanish in the semiclassical limit. Further these equivalent Hamiltonians have zero-energy ground states. The exact ground-state wave functions and supersymmetric partner potentials are derived.

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