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Bound states of PT-symmetric separable potentials

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All of the PT-symmetric potentials that have been studied so far have been local. In this paper nonlocal PT-symmetric separable potentials of the form $V(x,y)=i\log[U(x)U(y)-U(-x)U(-y)]$, where U(x) is real, are examined. Two specific models are examined. In each case it is shown that there is a parametric region of the coupling strength $\operatorname{spsilon}$ for which the PT symmetry of the Hamiltonian is unbroken and the bound-state energies are real. The critical values of $\operatorname{spsilon}$ that bound this region are calculated.

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