

A Method for series expansion of the bands of k-space Hamiltonians,v1

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Note: The first block of the code contains the definition of the function which, taking the Hamiltonian (as a function of k vector), the k point in question along with the values of tuning parameters, the band of interest, the maximum degree of the Taylor expansion, the k -space dimension, the maximum degree of expansion in the tuning parameters and the energy resolution as input, yields the Taylor expansion of the band of interest and other bands degenerate to it at the chosen k , to the chosen order. In the next section, we apply it to the Haldane model and compare the results to the Taylor expansion directly obtained from the dispersion (which is known).

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(*This function is still in the works. It needs to
be expanded to carefully incorporate the extension to non-
trivially degenerate bands. In this version,
it can handle situations where the degenerate bands have same
Taylor expansion up to the degree we are interested in.*)
TaylorExpandBand[HamItIn_, k0_, BandNo_, TaylorDegreeIn_,
SpaceDimIn_ : -1, HoppingParamDegree_ : 1, ResIn_ : 10-9] :=
Module[{Eigs, EigVals, EigVecs, HamItDim, HamItDerivs,
EDerivs, TaylorPoly, TaylorPolyArray, HoppingDim, TaylorDegree,
kVec, tVec, gn, fn, Degen, NonDegen, NoNonDegen, SpaceDim},
If[Length[k0] > 0 && AllTrue[k0, NumberQ[#] &] &&
IntegerQ[BandNo] && BandNo > 0 && IntegerQ[TaylorDegreeIn] &&
TaylorDegreeIn > 0 && IntegerQ[HoppingParamDegree] &&
HoppingParamDegree > 0 && IntegerQ[SpaceDimIn] && NumberQ[ResIn]
(*Some sanity checks to ensure that valid inputs have been fed in
by the user. The point k0 is a vector containing both the k-
point and the values of the tuning parameters,
about which we will Taylor expand. i.e k0 = (k1, k2, ..., kn, t1, t2, ..., tm).*)
,
If[SpaceDimIn == -1 || SpaceDimIn > Length[k0],
(* If either the k-
space dimension is not provided (in which case it defaults to -1),
or if the provided value does not make sense when compared to
dimension of k0, then we interpret the dimension of the k-
point/vector of interest k0 to be the dimension of the full k-
space (i.e there are no parameters t provided). *)
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SpaceDim = Length[k0];

HoppingDim = 0; (* As a reflection of the statement above,
none of the components in k0 represent hopping parameters,
so that we set the dimension of the hopping sub-vector to zero. *)

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SpaceDim = SpaceDimIn;
HoppingDim = Length[k0] - SpaceDimIn
(* The number of hopping
parameters is equal to dim k0 - dim of k-space. *)
];

TaylorDegree = TaylorDegreeIn + HoppingParamDegree;
(*This is needed since at the k order equal to TaylorDegree,
we would not have any terms involving the the tuning
parameters t's if we did not expand to order TaylorDegree +
HoppingParamDegree to begin with.*/)

(*We now define symbolic k and t
vectors which will be used for the series expansion.*/)
kVec = Table[Symbol["p" <> ToString[i]], {i, 1, Length[k0]}];
tVec = Table[Symbol["δt" <> ToString[i]], {i, 1, HoppingDim}];

Eigs = Eigensystem[N[HamItN[k0]]];
(* Computing the eigenvalues and eigenvectors at k0. *)

EigVals = Eigs[[1]];
EigVecs = Eigs[[2]];

(* For the calculations that will follow, we need the dimension of the
Hamiltonian matrix, which is the same as the number of bands: *)
HamItNDim = Length[EigVals];

Eigs =
SortBy[Table[Append[{EigVals[[i]]}, EigVecs[[i]]], {i, 1, HamItNDim}], First];
(* Sorting the eigensystem by the eigenvalues, rather than by their
magnitudes, which is what Mathematica does by default. *)

EigVals = Eigs[[All, 1]];
EigVecs = Eigs[[All, 2]];
(* Separating the eigenvalues and eigenvectors in to separate lists *)

(* We now attempt to find the subset of eigenvectors that are degenerate
to the band of interest, which is denoted by BandNo. Obviously,
the degeneracy is determined by the resolution adopted by us. *)

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Degen = First@Last@Reap[Do[
    If[Abs[EigVals[[i]] - EigVals[[BandNo]] ≤ Resln, Sow[i]];
    , {i, 1, HamltnDim}]];

(* Having found the subset of bands degenerate to the band of interest,
we now find the subset of bands that are not degenerate to it: *)
NonDegen = Complement[Table[i, {i, 1, HamltnDim}], Degen];

(* Number of bands that are not degenerate to BandNo: *)
NoNonDegen = Length[NonDegen];

(* Some sanity checks...can be removed. *)
Print["Bands to be series expanded: ",
    Degen, ", Rest of the bands: ", NonDegen];

(* Lists of matrices that we will
be using for the Taylor expansion calculation: *)
HamltnDerivs = ConstantArray[0, TaylorDegree + 1];
EDerivs = ConstantArray[0, {TaylorDegree + 1, Length[Degen]}];
(* EDerivs contains the polynomials  $\partial^l e_n$  that make up the Taylor
expansion, stored order by order. It is a multidimensional
list since we will be computing the Taylor expansion of each
of the degenerate bands. For this version of the function,
this is a redundancy since we are assuming that the bands have
the same Taylor expansion to the given order, not just at
 $k_0$ . This means that their Taylor expansions will be identical. *)

(* We now compute, order by order, the set of
monomials that make up the Taylor expansion of the Hamiltonian,
all the way up to the order specified by TaylorDegree. For the
convenience of the forthcoming calculations, it makes sense to
transform all these into the basis of the eigenvectors at  $k_0$ : *)
Do[HamltnDerivs[[i + 1]] = Chop[Conjugate[EigVecs].
    (D[Hamltn[l * kVec + k0], {l, i}] /. {l → 0}).Transpose[EigVecs], Resln];
, {i, 0, TaylorDegree}];
(* Normally we would do basis
transformations of a matrix M by  $Evec^\dagger.M.Evec$ . However,
since Mathematica stores the eigenvectors in the form of rows,
we have to instead do  $(Evec)^*.M.Evec^T$ . *)

(* The following is a function that will
be needed in the calculation to follow. Basically it
computes the quantity  $\langle m_i | \partial^{k_i - k_{i+1}} H | m_{i+1} \rangle - \partial^{k_i - k_{i+1}} e_n \cdot \delta_{m_i, m_{i+1}}$  :*)
gn[mi_, ki_, mip1_, kip1_, n_] := If[
    1 ≤ mi ≤ HamltnDim && 1 ≤ mip1 ≤ HamltnDim && 1 ≤ kip1 < ki && MemberQ[Degen, n],

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HamItDerivs[[ki - kip1 + 1, mi, mip1]] - KroneckerDelta[mi, mip1]
EDerivs[[ki - kip1 + 1, First@First@Position[Degen, n]], 0];
(* The +
1 is needed in the array indices since Mathematica indexing begins from
1 rather than 0. The first index then represents 0 in the conventional
sense. Also we don't have to worry about the case when kip1 = ki,
since it will not occur. The function appears inside sums where
kip1 runs from 1 to ki-1. This is the reason why we check kip1 <
ki and not kip1 ≤ ki. Lastly, we use First@First@Position[Degen,n]
instead of n directly since the EDerivs array is indexed by 1,...,
Length[Degen] and n instead represents the index of the band. *)

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fn[ki_, mi_, n_] := If[MemberQ[Degen, n] && MemberQ[NonDegen, mi] && ki ≥ 1,

$$\frac{1}{\text{EigVals}[[n]] - \text{EigVals}[[mi]]} (\text{HamItDerivs}[[ki + 1, mi, n]] +$$

Sum[Binomial[ki, kip1] Sum[gn[mi, ki, mip1, kip1, n] × fn[kip1, mip1, n],
{mip1, NonDegen}], {kip1, 1, ki - 1}]], 0];

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(*Having defined the functions necessary for our calculations,
we go ahead and compute the derivative polynomials of the dispersion,
denoted by  $\partial^l \epsilon_n$ , order by order:*)
EDerivs[[1, All]] = ConstantArray[EigVals[[BandNo]], Length[Degen]];

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Do[
Do[
EDerivs[[M + 1, First@First@Position[Degen, n]]] = FullSimplify[
HamItDerivs[[M + 1, n, n]] + Sum[Binomial[M, k1] Sum[HamItDerivs[[
M - k1 + 1, n, m1]] × fn[k1, m1, n], {m1, NonDegen}], {k1, 1, M - 1}]]];
, {M, 1, TaylorDegree}];
, {n, Degen}];

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(*Before processing the Taylor
expansion and assembling it into a format we desire,
we first construct it using the polynomials calculated above. *)
TaylorPoly = ConstantArray[0, Length[Degen]];

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Do[
Do[
TaylorPoly[[n]] = TaylorPoly[[n]] + Normal[Series[ReplaceAll[ $\frac{\text{EDerivs}[[M + 1, n]]}{\text{Factorial}[M]}$ ,
Join[Table[kVec[[i]] → λ kVec[[i]], {i, 1, SpaceDim}], Table[
kVec[[j]] → γ tVec[[j - SpaceDim]], {j, SpaceDim + 1, Length[k0]}]]],

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      {γ, 0, HoppingParamDegree}]] /. {γ → 1};
    , {M, 0, TaylorDegree}];
  , {n, 1, Length[Degen]}}];

(*Now we process the Taylor expansion into a nice and convenient form:*)
TaylorPolyArray = ConstantArray[0, {Length[Degen], TaylorDegreeIn + 1}];

Do[
  Do[
    TaylorPolyArray[[n, i + 1]] =  $\frac{1}{\text{Factorial}[i]}$ 
      Chop[D[TaylorPoly[[n]], {λ, i}] /. {λ → 0}, ResIn] // FullSimplify;
    , {i, 0, TaylorDegreeIn}]
  , {n, 1, Length[Degen]}}];

(*Time to return the Taylor expansion,
stored as a list, order by order in k:*)
TaylorPolyArray

,
Print[Style["Invalid inputs!", Red]]
]
];

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We now benchmark the method using the Haldane model. To complicate things a bit, we double the orbitals making up the Hamiltonian of the Haldane model and reorder the basis a bit so that the method's ability to handle degenerate bands can be checked explicitly. We will tune the model slightly off the critical tuning of the staggered chemical potential M , which takes us very close to a monkey saddle ($k_x^3 - 3 k_x k_y^2$) at the K_- corner point of the Brillouin zone. We will then try to analyse the modulation of the the Taylor expansion, induced by the δM de-tuning correction to the staggered chemical potential.

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In[2]:= a1 = {1, 0};

a2 = { $-\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ };

a3 = { $-\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ };

b1 = a2 - a3;
b2 = a3 - a1;
b3 = a1 - a2;

h2[k_] := 2 (Sin[k.b1] + Sin[k.b2] + Sin[k.b3]);

(*The diagonalized by hand,
dispersion of the Haldane model for the '+' band (that is band 2):*)
Ep[k_, t1_, t2_, m_] := ((m + t2 h2[k])2 + t12 ((Cos[k.a1] + Cos[k.a2] + Cos[k.a3])2 +
(Sin[k.a1] + Sin[k.a2] + Sin[k.a3])2))1/2;

(*The pristine two band Hamiltonian that we
shall use to construct the four band Hamiltonian:*)
Hm[k_, t1_, t2_, MM_] = {{2 t2 (Sin[k.b1] + Sin[k.b2] + Sin[k.b3]) + MM,
t1 ((Cos[k.a1] + Cos[k.a2] + Cos[k.a3]) +  $i$  (Sin[k.a1] + Sin[k.a2] + Sin[k.a3]))},
{t1 ((Cos[k.a1] + Cos[k.a2] + Cos[k.a3]) -  $i$  (Sin[k.a1] + Sin[k.a2] + Sin[k.a3])),
- 2 t2 (Sin[k.b1] + Sin[k.b2] + Sin[k.b3]) - MM}};

(*A reordering of the basis orbitals:*)
NewBasis = {{1, 0, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 1, 0}, {0, 1, 0, 0}, {0, 0, 0, 1}};

(*Doubling the orbitals and rearranging them,
we obtain a four-band Hamiltonian:*)
Hamltn[pvec_] := Transpose[NewBasis].

ArrayFlatten[IdentityMatrix[2]  $\otimes$  Hm[{pvec[[1]], pvec[[2]]}, 1,  $\frac{1}{2}$ , pvec[[3]]]].NewBasis

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Note that the Hamiltonian defined by `Hamltn[pvec]` is a four band Hamiltonian that just yields two identical copies of the Haldane bands. As mentioned earlier, we are using this only to illustrate the fact that the method works for a narrow class of degenerate band situations, the scope of which will be expanded in the upcoming versions. We move on to compute the Taylor expansion to 4th order using the analytical dispersion. We don't use the usual Mathematica method for this since we want to make the order by order expansion containing the δM modulations explicit. To this end, we will store each order of the Taylor expansion as a separate element of a list.

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In[13]:= TaylDegree = 4;
(*Degree of Taylor polynomial. Please play around by changing this.*)
MDegree = 2; (*Maximum power of the  $\delta M$  tuning terms to be included
in the Tayloe expansion. Please play around by changing this.*)

TaylPol = ConstantArray[0, TaylDegree + 1];
(*Some numerical choice of values for the parameters in the model:*)
t10 = 1;
t20 =  $\frac{1}{2}$ ;
M0 =  $\frac{t10^2 - 18 t20^2}{2 \sqrt{3} t20}$ ; (*Critical tuning.*)
Km =  $\frac{4 \pi}{3 \sqrt{3}}$  {0, 1};

(*Taylor expansion of the analytically
diagnolised band. We compute it in this odd fashion,
rather than using Mathematica's inbuilt Series expansion function since
we want to explicitly arrange the Taylor expansion order by order in k,
with the  $\delta M$  correction terms appearing to the
requirted order in each of these terms.*)
Do[
  Do[
    TaylPol[[i + 1]] = TaylPol[[i + 1]] +
      
$$\left( \frac{D[Ep[\{\lambda p1, \lambda p2\} + Km, t10, t20, -M0 + \gamma \delta M], \{\lambda, i\}, \{\gamma, j\}]/. \{\lambda \rightarrow 0, \gamma \rightarrow 0\}}{Factorial[i] Factorial[j]} \right) //$$

    FullSimplify);
    , {j, 0, MDegree}];
  TaylPol[[i + 1]] = FullSimplify[TaylPol[[i + 1]]];
  , {i, 0, TaylDegree}]

TaylPol
Out[21]=  $\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} - \delta M, 0, \frac{27}{8} (p1^2 + p2^2) \delta M (1 + \sqrt{3} \delta M), \right.$ 

$$- \frac{3}{16} p2 (-3 p1^2 + p2^2) (4 \sqrt{3} + 9 \delta M (1 + \sqrt{3} \delta M)),$$


$$\left. \frac{81}{128} (p1^2 + p2^2)^2 (3 \sqrt{3} + \delta M (8 - \sqrt{3} \delta M)) \right\}$$


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In order to compare with the algorithm, we convert the rational and symbolic numbers into numerical ones and expand all terms:

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In[22]:= Expand[TaylPol] // N
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Out[22]= {0.57735 - 1. δM, 0., 3.375 p12 δM + 3.375 p22 δM + 5.84567 p12 δM2 + 5.84567 p22 δM2,
3.89711 p12 p2 - 1.29904 p23 + 5.0625 p12 p2 δM -
1.6875 p23 δM + 8.76851 p12 p2 δM2 - 2.92284 p23 δM2,
3.28819 p14 + 6.57638 p12 p22 + 3.28819 p24 + 5.0625 p14 δM + 10.125 p12 p22 δM +
5.0625 p24 δM - 1.09606 p14 δM2 - 2.19213 p12 p22 δM2 - 1.09606 p24 δM2}
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Thus we have the terms of the Taylor expansion arranged into a list, order by order. We can clearly see that there is a quadratic term and also other terms that are modulated by δM factors, which vanish at critical tuning (i.e at $\delta M = 0$). We will now attempt to reproduce this series expansion using our method. We can choose either band 3 or band 4 (they are identical since we simply “doubled” the orbitals of freedom of the original Hamiltonian and rearranged the basis. So we will get two identical copies of both the bands of the pristine Haldane model).

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In[23]:= TaylPoly2 =
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  TaylorExpandBand[HamIttn, Join[Km, {-M0}] // N, 4, TaylDegree, 2, MDegree][[1]];
  (*We choose [[1]] here since both [[1]] and [[2]] are identical
  Taylor expansions and will correspond respectively to bands 3 and 4*)
  Bands to be series expanded: {3, 4}, Rest of the bands: {1, 2}
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In[24]:= Expand[TaylPoly2] /. {δt1 → δM} (*The method gives tuning parameters as δt1,
δt2,..., δtn. So we have to replace them with
the appropriate symbols in any given context.*)
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Out[24]= {0.57735 - 1. δM, 0, 3.375 p12 δM + 3.375 p22 δM + 5.84567 p12 δM2 + 5.84567 p22 δM2,
3.89711 p12 p2 - 1.29904 p23 + 5.0625 p12 p2 δM -
1.6875 p23 δM + 8.76851 p12 p2 δM2 - 2.92284 p23 δM2,
3.28819 p14 + 6.57638 p12 p22 + 3.28819 p24 + 5.0625 p14 δM + 10.125 p12 p22 δM +
5.0625 p24 δM - 1.09606 p14 δM2 - 2.19213 p12 p22 δM2 - 1.09606 p24 δM2}
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We can check explicitly that this agrees exactly with the Taylor expansion obtained directly from the analytic dispersion. Try changing both TaylDegree and MDegree to different values and obtain the Taylor expansion by both the methods to order TaylDegree, containing terms modulated by different powers of δM , up to $\delta M^{\text{MDegree}}$.