Magnetic Dirac operators with Coulomb-type perturbations

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The vector potential $\vec{a} = (a_1, a_2, 0)$ is chosen such that $a_1, a_2 \in L^{\infty}_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^2; \mathbb{R})$ and $B = \partial_1 a_2 - \partial_2 a_1$.

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The spectrum of H_0 satisfies

$$\label{eq:sym} \begin{split} \sigma(H_0) &= \big(-\infty, -\inf|\sigma^0_{\rm sym}|\big] \cup \big[\inf|\sigma^0_{\rm sym}|,\infty\big), \\ {\rm where} \ \sigma^0_{\rm sym} &:= \sigma(H^0) \cup \sigma(-H^0). \end{split}$$



 $\mathrm{Figure}\ 1:\ \sigma_{\mathrm{sym}}^0 \ \text{and}\ \sigma(H_0) \ \text{for some}\ B \neq \mathrm{Const.}$

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Figure 2: If $B(x_1, x_2) = B_0 > 0$, then

$$\sigma_{\rm sym}^0 = \left\{ \pm \sqrt{2nB_0 + m^2} \mid n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \right\}$$

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(In fact the limiting absorption principle is expressed in terms of an interpolation space $(\mathcal{D}(A), \mathcal{H})_{1/2,1} \supset \mathcal{D}(\langle Q_3 \rangle^{1/2+\delta})$ for some conjugate operator A.)

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Figure 3: Example of $\sigma(H)$ for $B(x_1, x_2) = B_0 > 0$

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(iii) We extend to H the Mourre estimate for H_0 by using the commutators methods of [GeorgescuMăntoiu01] for strong local singularities of Dirac operators.

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Drawback: The matrix structure of A_0 leads to unnatural conditions (involving commutators with the α_j 's) when one treats long-range perturbations $V_{\rm long-range}$ of H_0 .

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Thus we use the scalar conjugate operator

$$A := \frac{1}{2} [Q_3 F(P_3) + F(P_3) Q_3],$$

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 \Longrightarrow It is sufficient to prove the positivity of the bounded operator $F(P_3)P_3|H_0|^{-1}$ when localized on $\sigma(H_0)\setminus\sigma^0_{\mathrm{sym}}$.

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The right-hand side is strictly positive for all $\lambda \in (0,\infty) \setminus \sigma_{\mathrm{sym}}^0$.

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