Position-dependent mass Schrödinger equation for the q-deformed Woods-Saxson plus hyperbolic tangent potential

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ABSTRACT

In this work, we propose a new potential called the "q-deformed Woods-Saxon plus hyperbolic tangent potential." We derive the generalized Schrödinger equation for quantum mechanical systems with position-dependent masses under these potentials using the Nikiforov-Uvarov method, with the mass relationship defined as $m(x) = m_1/(1 + qe^{-2\lambda x})$. The solutions to this equation, expressed in terms of hypergeometric functions and Jacobi polynomials, offer insights into the quantum behavior of particles. The energy eigenvalues depend on system parameters such as the deformation parameter q, potential parameters, and quantum numbers. We analyzed the effect of the deformation parameter q numerically and visually using different values of these parameters.

1. Introduction

The Woods-Saxon potential (Woods et al., 1954), also known as the Woods-Saxon potential well or nuclear potential well, is a mathematical model used in nuclear physics to describe the potential energy experienced by nucleons (protons and neutrons) inside an atomic nucleus. It is essential to the nuclear shell concept, which aims to describe the behavior of nucleons within nuclei. The Woods-Saxon potential is thought to be the most useful short-range potential in nuclear physics. It is extensively used in the research of the nuclear structure within the shell model. The interaction between a nucleon and a heavy nucleus is explained by the nuclear shell concept. Furthermore, other extended versions of this potential have been developed to study elastic and quasi-elastic nuclear particle scattering (Wang and Scheid, 2008). For this reason, the Woods–Saxon potential, whether in its spherical or deformed form, has seen a rise in application in nuclear numerical simulations (Bespalova et al., 2003; Goldberg et al., 2004; Khounfais et al., 2004; Guo and Sheng, 2005). It was also applied in other branches of physics, such as the study of valence electron behavior in metallic systems and the helium model (Dudek et al., 2003).

It is also applicable to the nonlinear scalar theory of mesons (Erkol and Demiralp, 2007). Within the context of Several researchers (Arda et al., 2010; Berkdemir et al., 2006; Badalov et al., 2010; Ikhdair and Sever, 2007; 2008; Arda and Sever, 2009; Ikhdair and Sever, 2010; Guo and Sheng, 2005; Hagino and Tanimura, 2010; Panella et al., 2010; Abadi et al., 2019; Romaniega et al., 2020) have used a variety of approaches to work with the Woods-Saxon potential, particularly in relativistic quantum mechanics. A method for obtaining the bound state solution of the one-dimensional Dirac equation for the Woods-Saxon potential was devised by Roja and Villalba (2005). The Nikiforov-Uvarov approach is used by Ikot et al. (2015) to solve the radial Schrödinger equation for the More General Woods-Saxon Potential (MGWSP) (Okon et al., 2014). Additionally, a hierarchy of Hamiltonians for the Spherical Woods-Saxon potential was developed by Sadeghi and Pahlavani (2004).

The aim of this paper is to use a wave function transformation to study the position-dependent effective mass Schrödinger equation. The position-dependent effective mass Schrödinger equation was solved using the Nikiforov-Uvarov method in the presence of the q-deformed Woods-Saxon plus hyperbolic tangent potential. The remainder of the paper is structured as follows: In Section 2, the Nikiforov-Uvarov method is discussed. Section 3 is focused on the position-dependent mass Schrödinger equation. Section 4 is devoted to the solution of the position-dependent mass Schrödinger

equation for Woods-Saxon plus hyperbolic tangent potential using the Nikiforov-Uvarov method.

2. Nikiforov-Uvarov method

The Nikiforov-Uvarov method (Nikiforov and Uvarov, 1988) is a method used in mathematics to solve linear differential equations of second order. Schrödinger-type equations in quantum mechanics can be solved efficiently with this approach (Al-Hawamdeh et al., 2023; Jaradat et al., 2019; Yazdankish, 2021; Gu et al., 2022), especially when dealing with quantum systems that have unique potential forms.

Using this method, the Schrödinger equation in one dimension is reduced to a generalized hypergeometric equation with the required coordinate transformation, x=x(s), for a given potential, and the following is one way to write it:

$$\psi''(s) + \frac{\tilde{\tau}(s)}{\sigma(s)}\psi'(s) + \frac{\tilde{\sigma}(s)}{\sigma^2(s)}\psi(s) = 0 \tag{1}$$

where, $\sigma(s)$ and $\tilde{\sigma}(s)$ are polynomials of degree at most two, $\tilde{\tau}(s)$ is first-degree polynomial, and $\psi(s)$ is a function of hypergeometric type.

Schrödinger equation is written for any potentials in the general form as:

$$[\frac{d^2}{ds^2} + \frac{\alpha_1 - \alpha_2 s}{s(1 - \alpha_3 s)}\frac{d}{ds} + \frac{-\xi_1 s^2 + \xi_2 s - \xi_3}{s^2(1-s)^2}]\psi = 0. \tag{2}$$

By separating the variables, a specific solution to Eq. 1 can be obtained by multiplying two distinct parts of the wave function, which are as follows:

$$\psi(s) = \varphi(s)y(s) \tag{3}$$

If one deals with the above transformation, Eq. 1 is reduced to a hypergeometric equation:

$$\sigma(s)y_n''(s) + \tau(s)y_n'(s) + \lambda y_n(s) = 0 \tag{4}$$

where

$$\tau(s) = 2\pi(s) + \tilde{\tau}(s). \tag{5}$$

Its derivative is negative $\tau'(s) < 0$, this condition helps to generate physical solutions. And φ(s) is described as a derivative of a logarithm:

$$\frac{\varphi'(s)}{\varphi(s)} = \frac{\pi(s)}{\sigma(s)}. \tag{6}$$

Here, $\pi(s)$ is a polynomial with one degree or less. The solution of the hypergeometric-type differential Eq. 3 is a, is given by Rodrigues relation.

$$y_n(s) = \frac{B_n}{\rho(s)}\frac{d^n}{ds^n}[\sigma^n(s)\rho(s)] \tag{7}$$

where, B_n is the normalization constant, $\rho(s)$ is the weight function, and n is a fixed given number.

The weight function satisfies the following differential equation.

$$\frac{d}{ds}[\sigma(s)\rho(s)] = \tau(s)\rho(s) \tag{8}$$

or

$$\frac{\rho'(s)}{\rho(s)} = \frac{\tau(s) - \sigma'(s)}{\sigma(s)}. \tag{9}$$

The function of $\pi(s)$ is given by.

$$\pi(s) = \frac{\sigma' - \tilde{\tau}(s)}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma' - \tilde{\tau}(s)}{2}\right)^2 - \tilde{\sigma}(s) + k\sigma(s)} \tag{10}$$

and

$$k = \lambda - \pi'(s) \tag{11}$$

Consequently, the most important step is to find k by setting the discriminant of the square root in Eq. 10 to zero for the computation of $\pi(x)$. Furthermore, the eigenvalue equation given in Eq. 11 now takes on the following new form:

$$\lambda = \lambda_n = -n\tau' - \frac{n(n-1)}{2}\sigma''(s), (n = 0, 1, 2, \dots). \tag{12}$$

Here, prime factors represent the first-degree differentials.

3. Position-dependent mass Schrödinger equation

Von Roos's (1983) general position-dependent effective mass Hamiltonian is

$$H_{eff} = -\frac{1}{2}\Big(M^\alpha(x)\frac{d}{dx}M^\beta(x)\frac{d}{dx}M^\gamma(x) +$$
$$M^\gamma(x)\frac{d}{dx}M^\beta(x)\frac{d}{dx}M^\alpha(x)\Big) + V_{eff}(x). \tag{13}$$

With $\hbar = 2m_0 = 1$, $M(x)$ is the dimensionless form of the function $m(x) = m_0 M(x)$, and $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = -1$, by Von Roos's (1983) introduced restriction $\alpha = \gamma = 0$ and $\beta = -1$ these parameters are called the ambiguity parameters. Eq. 13 becomes:

$$H_{eff} = -\frac{1}{2}\Big(\frac{d}{dx}M^{-1}(x)\frac{d}{dx} + \frac{d}{dx}M^{-1}(x)\frac{d}{dx}\Big) + V_{eff}(x). \tag{14}$$

Now the one-dimensional effective mass Hamiltonian of the Schrödinger equation reads as

$$H_{eff} = -\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{1}{m(x)}\right)\frac{d}{dx} + V_{eff}(x). \tag{15}$$

Schrödinger equation is given by

$$\left[-\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{1}{m(x)}\right)\frac{d}{dx} + V_{eff}(x) - E\right]\varphi(x) = 0 \tag{16}$$

After expanding Eq. 16, the Schrödinger equation takes form

$$\left[-\frac{1}{m(x)}\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + \frac{m'(x)}{m^2(x)}\frac{d}{dx} + V_{eff}(x) - E\right]\varphi(x) = 0. \tag{17}$$

The effective potential is given by:

$$V_{eff}(x) = V(x) + \frac{1}{2}(\beta+1)\frac{m''(x)}{m^2(x)} - [\alpha(\alpha+\beta+1) + (\beta+1)]\frac{m'^2(x)}{m^3(x)}. \tag{18}$$

where, α, β are ambiguity parameters. Applying the following transformation (Tezcan et al., 2008) on Eq. 17:

$$\varphi(x) = m^\eta(x)\psi(x) \tag{19}$$

where,

$$\varphi'(x) = m^{\eta-1}(x)[m(x)\psi'(x) + \eta m'(x)\psi(x)] \tag{20}$$

and

$$\varphi''(x) = m^{\eta-2}(x)[\eta(\eta-1)\,m'^2(x)\psi(x) + \eta\,m(x)(2m'(x)\psi'(x) + \psi(x)m''(x)) + m^2(x)\psi''(x). \tag{21}$$

Putting Eqs. 19, 20, and 21 into Eq. 17. we get

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} - \eta(\eta-1)\frac{m'^2(x)}{m^2(x)} + (-2\eta+1)\frac{m'(x)}{m(x)}\frac{d}{dx} - \eta\frac{m''(x)}{m(x)} + \eta\frac{m'^2(x)}{m^2(x)} + (V_{eff}(x) - E)\right]\psi = 0. \tag{22}$$

Now, substituting the effective potential in Eq. 22, we get

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} - (2\eta-1)\frac{m'(x)}{m(x)}\frac{d}{dx} + \left(\frac{1}{2}(\beta+1) - \eta\right)\frac{m''(x)}{m(x)} - \left(\eta(\eta-2) + \alpha(\alpha+\beta+1) + (\beta+1)\right)\frac{m'^2(x)}{m^2(x)} + m(x)(V(x) - E)\right]\psi = 0. \tag{23}$$

This last equation is called the position-dependent mass Schrödinger equation. In the next section, we are going to generalize these expressions to the q-deformed Woods-Saxon plus hyperbolic tangent potential case.

4. Developing the q-deformed Woods-Saxon plus hyperbolic tangent potential in Schrödinger equation with position-dependent mass

The q-deformed Woods-Saxon (Chabab et al., 2012; Falaye et al., 2013; Okon et al., 2014) plus hyperbolic tangent potential is given by

$$V(x) = -V_0\frac{1}{1+qe^{-2\lambda x}} + V_1 \tanh_q(\lambda x) \tag{24}$$

where, V_0 represents the potential well's depth, and the deformation parameter is q, which measures the system's level of non-extensivity. It reduces to the ordinary Woods-Saxon potential when $q = 1$.

Fig. 1 shows the plot of the Woods-Saxon plus hyperbolic tangent potential as a function of x for different values of λ. The Woods-Saxon plus hyperbolic tangent potential values for given values of λ is increase when moving to the right.

Now, assuming the mass relation:

$$m(x) = \frac{m_1}{(1+qe^{-2\lambda x})}. \tag{25}$$

Fig. 2 shows the mass function as a sigmoid-like curve with smooth transitions between 0 and 1. When $\lambda = 1$ we see that the shift between 0 and 1 is gradual. As parameter values increase, the sigmoid function becomes steeper. Larger values of λ cause the curve to approach 0 and 1 faster as it moves away.
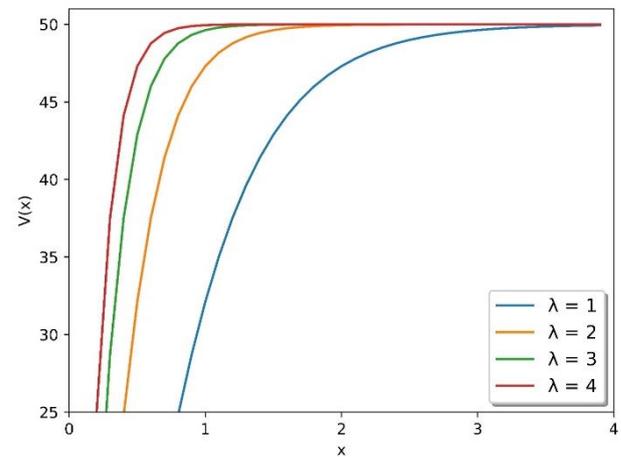

Fig. 1: Woods-Saxon plus hyperbolic tangent potential for $q = 1$, $V_0 = 50$, and $V_1 = 100$
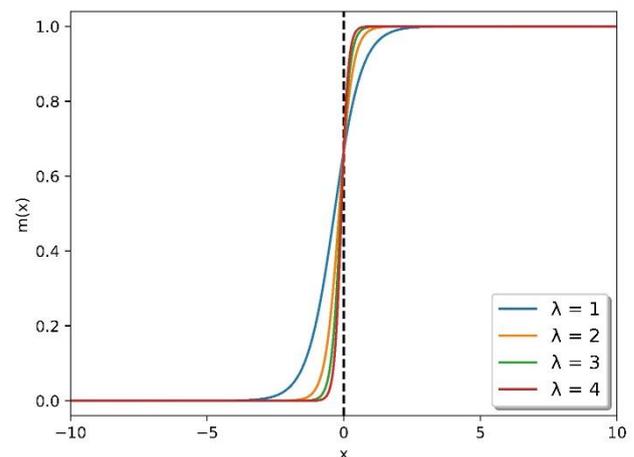

Fig. 2: Plot of mass function m(x) for $q = 0.5$, $m_1 = 1$

Where,

$$m'(x) = \frac{2q\lambda e^{-2\lambda x}}{(1+qe^{-2\lambda x})^2} \tag{26}$$

and

$$m''(x) = 2q\lambda^2\left[\frac{4qe^{-4\lambda x}}{(1+qe^{-2\lambda x})^3} - \frac{2e^{-2\lambda x}}{(1+qe^{-2\lambda x})^2}\right] \tag{27}$$

then, the parameters

$$\frac{m'(x)}{m(x)} = \frac{2q\lambda e^{-2\lambda x}}{(1+qe^{-2\lambda x})} \tag{28}$$

and

$$\frac{m''(x)}{m(x)} = 2q\lambda^2\left[\frac{4qe^{-4\lambda x}}{(1+qe^{-2\lambda x})^2} - \frac{2e^{-2\lambda x}}{(1+qe^{-2\lambda x})}\right]. \tag{29}$$

Now, putting Eqs. 24, 25, 28 and 29 into Eq. 23

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} - (2\eta - 1)\frac{2q\lambda e^{-2\lambda x}}{(1+qe^{-2\lambda x})}\frac{d}{dx} + \left(\frac{1}{2}(\beta+1) - \eta\right)2q\lambda^2\left[\frac{4qe^{-4\lambda x}}{(1+qe^{-2\lambda x})^2} - \frac{2e^{-2\lambda x}}{(1+qe^{-2\lambda x})}\right] - \left(\eta(\eta-2) + \alpha(\alpha+\beta+1) + (\beta+1)\right)\frac{4q^2\lambda^2 e^{-4\lambda x}}{(1+qe^{-2\lambda x})^2} + \frac{m_1}{(1+qe^{-2\lambda x})}\left(-V_0\frac{1}{1+qe^{-2\lambda x}} + V_1 tanh_q(\lambda x) - E\right)\right]\psi = 0. \quad (30)$$

We do the variable changing, so this variable changing to convert Eq. 23 into Nikiforov-Uvarov equation.

$$s = m(x) = \frac{1}{(1+qe^{-2\lambda x})}, (0 \le s \le 1) \quad (31)$$

then

$$s + sqe^{-2\lambda x} = 1 \quad (32)$$

so that

$$(1-s) = sqe^{-2\lambda x} \quad (33)$$

using Eq. 32 into Eq. 28

$$\frac{m'(x)}{m(x)} = 2\lambda(1-s). \quad (34)$$

Now, using Eq. 33 into Eq. 29, we get

$$\frac{m''(x)}{m(x)} = 2\lambda^2[4(1-2s+s^2) - 2s + s] \quad (35)$$

then

$$\frac{m''(x)}{m(x)} = 4\lambda^2(1-3s+2s^2) \quad (36)$$

so we have

$$\frac{m''(x)}{m(x)} = 4\lambda^2 (1-s)(1-2s) \quad (37)$$

setting that

$$A = \left(\eta(\eta-2) + \alpha(\alpha+\beta+1) + (\beta+1)\right)$$
$$B = \left(\frac{1}{2}(\beta+1) - \eta\right) \quad (38)$$
$$\zeta = \frac{1}{2} - \eta$$

After using the above parameters, Eqs. 34, 37, and 38, Eq. 30 becomes.

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{ds^2} + \frac{2\eta-(2\eta+1)s}{s(1-s)}\frac{d\psi}{ds} + \frac{1}{s^2(1-s)^2}[A(1-s)^2 - B(1-s)(1-2s) - m(x)(V(x) - E)]\psi = 0. \quad (39)$$

Putting Eq. 24 and Eq. 31 and expanding

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{ds^2} + \frac{2\eta-(2\eta+1)s}{s(1-s)}\frac{d\psi}{ds} + \frac{1}{s^2(1-s)^2}\left[A - 2As + As^2 - B + 3Bs - 2Bs^2 - \frac{1}{(1+qe^{-2\lambda x})}\left(-V_0\frac{1}{1+qe^{-2\lambda x}} + V_1 tanh_q(\lambda x) - E\right)\right]\psi = 0. \quad (40)$$

By rearranging the terms inside the brackets in Eq. 40, we obtain the generalized hypergeometric-type equation, which represents the parametric generalization of the NU approach.

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{ds^2} + \frac{2\eta-(2\eta+1)s}{s(1-s)}\frac{d\psi}{ds} + \frac{1}{s^2(1-s)^2}\left[\left(A - 2B + \frac{V_0}{4q\lambda^2} - \frac{2V_1}{4\lambda^2}\right)s^2 + \left(-2A + 3B + \frac{V_0}{4q\lambda^2} - \frac{V_1}{4\lambda^2} + \frac{E}{4\lambda^2}\right)s + (A - B)\right]\psi(x) = 0 \quad (41)$$

where,

$$\xi_1 = -A + 2B - \frac{V_0}{4q\lambda^2} + \frac{2V_1}{4\lambda^2}$$
$$\xi_2 = -2A + 3B + \frac{V_0}{4q\lambda^2} - \frac{V_1}{4\lambda^2} + \frac{E}{4\lambda^2} \quad (42)$$
$$\xi_3 = -A + B$$

using these parameters, Eq. 41 becomes

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{ds^2} + \frac{2\eta-(2\eta+1)s}{s(1-s)}\frac{d\psi}{ds} + \frac{1}{s^2(1-s)^2}[-\xi_1 s^2 + \xi_2 s - \xi_3]\psi(x) = 0. \quad (43)$$

Comparing Eq. 43 with Eq. 2, we get

$$\tilde{\tau}(s) = 2\eta - (2\eta+1)s, \quad \sigma(s) = s(1-s), \quad \tilde{\sigma}(s) = -\xi_1 s^2 + \xi_2 s - \xi_3. \quad (44)$$

After using the above polynomials into Eq. 10, we get

$$\pi(s) = \left(\frac{1}{2} - \eta\right)(1-s) \pm \begin{cases} (v-\varepsilon)s + \varepsilon & ; k = \xi_2 - 2\xi_3 + 2v\varepsilon \\ (v+\varepsilon)s - \varepsilon & ; k = \xi_2 - 2\xi_3 - 2v\varepsilon \end{cases} \quad (45)$$

where,

$$v^2 = \frac{V_1}{4\lambda^2} + \frac{E}{4\lambda^2} \quad (46)$$

and

$$\varepsilon^2 = -\frac{1}{2}\left(\beta + \frac{1}{2}\right) - \alpha(\alpha+\beta+1) \quad (47)$$

we take

$$k = \xi_2 - 2\xi_3 - 2v\varepsilon \quad (48)$$

and using

$$\pi(s) = \left(\frac{1}{2} - \eta\right)(1-s) - (v+\varepsilon)s + \varepsilon. \quad (49)$$

Now, calculating the polynomial $\tau(s)$ from Eq. 45 by using Eq. 5

$$\tau(s) = 2\left(\frac{1}{2} - \eta\right)(1-s) - 2((v+\varepsilon)s + \varepsilon) + 2\eta - (2\eta+1)s \quad (50)$$

expanding the above equation

$$\tau(s) = 1 - s - 2\eta + 2\eta s - 2((v+\varepsilon)s - \varepsilon) + 2\eta - 2\eta s - s \quad (51)$$

we get

$$\tau(s) = 1 - 2s - 2((v+\varepsilon)s - \varepsilon), \quad (52)$$

and its derivative

$$\tau'(s) = -(2 + 2v + 2\varepsilon). \quad (53)$$

Now, from Eqs. 11 and 12

$$\lambda = \lambda_n = -n\left(-2 - 2(\nu + \varepsilon)\right) + n(n-1) \qquad (54)$$

and

$$\lambda = \xi_1 - (\nu + \varepsilon)^2 - (\nu + \varepsilon) + \eta^2 - \frac{1}{4} \qquad (55)$$

after comparing Eq. 54 with Eq. 55, we have

$$(\nu + \varepsilon) = -\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \pm \sqrt{\xi_1 + \eta^2}. \qquad (56)$$

Now using Eqs. 42, 46, and 47, then two energy levels become

$$E_n = -4\lambda^2\left[\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \pm \sqrt{\frac{2qV_1 - V_0}{4q\lambda^2} - \alpha(\alpha + \beta + 1)} - \sqrt{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\beta + \frac{1}{2}\right) - \alpha(\alpha + \beta + 1)}\right]^2, (0 \le n < \infty) \qquad (57)$$

Table 1 and Table 2 represent the numerical results for the values of the energy levels at different values of the parameter λ.

Table 1: Numerical outcomes of energy spectra for $q = 0.5$, $\alpha = 0$, $\beta = -1$, $V_0 = 50$, and $V_1 = 100$

Energy	E_0	E_1	E_2	E_3
$\lambda = 1$	-100	-144	-196	-256
$\lambda = 2$	-100	-196	-324	-484
$\lambda = 3$	-100	-256	-484	-784
$\lambda = 4$	-100	-324	-676	-1156

Table 2: Numerical outcomes of energy spectra for $q = 1$, $\alpha = 0$, $\beta = -1$, $V_0 = 50$, and $V_1 = 100$

Energy	E_0	E_1	E_2	E_3
$\lambda = 1$	-150	-202.989	-263.979	-332.969
$\lambda = 2$	-150	-263.979	-409.959	-587.938
$\lambda = 3$	-150	-332.969	-587.938	-914.908
$\lambda = 4$	-150	-409.959	-797.91	-1313.877

To find $\rho(s)$ the weight function, we use Eqs. 8, 44, and 52, so we get.

$$\frac{d}{ds}[(s - s^2)\rho(s)] = [1 - 2s - 2((\nu + \varepsilon)s - \varepsilon)]\rho(s) \qquad (58)$$

expanding the left-hand term

$$(1 - 2s)\rho(s) + (s - s^2)\rho'(s) = \rho(s) - [2s - 2((\nu + \varepsilon)s - \varepsilon)]\rho(s) \qquad (59)$$

thus

$$(s - s^2)\rho'(s) + [2((\nu + \varepsilon)s - 2\varepsilon)]\rho(s) = 0 \qquad (60)$$

and then

$$\rho'(s) + \frac{[2((\nu + \varepsilon)s - 2\varepsilon)]}{(s - s^2)}\rho(s) = 0. \qquad (61)$$

The above equation is a first-order differential equation; after solving it, we get the weight function.

$$\rho(s) = s^{2\varepsilon}(1 - s)^{2\nu}. \qquad (62)$$

Using the weight function yields in Eq. 62, we defined the solution of y from Eq. 7

$$y_n(s) = \frac{C_n}{s^{2\varepsilon}(1-s)^{2\nu}}\frac{d^n}{ds^n}[(s(1-s))^n s^{2\varepsilon}(1-s)^{2\nu}] \qquad (63)$$

thus

$$y_n(s) = C_n s^{-2\varepsilon}(1-s)^{-2\nu}\frac{d^n}{ds^n}[s^{n+2\varepsilon}(1-s)^{n+2\nu}] \qquad (64)$$

and from Eqs. 44, 45, and 62, we get

$$\varphi(s) = s^{\left(\frac{1}{2}-\eta\right)+\varepsilon}(1-s)^{\nu}. \qquad (65)$$

By using the Jacobi polynomial's properties (Von Roos, 1983)

$$P_n^{(\zeta,\xi)}(x) = \frac{(-1)^n(1-x)^{-\zeta}(1+x)^{-\xi}}{2^n n!}\frac{d^n}{dx^n}[(1-x)^{n+\zeta}(1+x)^{n+\xi}] \qquad (66)$$

and

$$P_n^{(2\zeta,2\xi)}(1-2s) = \frac{(-2)^n(s)^{-2\zeta}(1-s)^{-2\xi}}{2^n n!}\frac{d^n}{dx^n}[s^{n+2\zeta}(1-s)^{n+2\xi}] \qquad (67)$$

where, $P_n^{(a,b)}(x)$, $(a > -1, b > -1)$ represents the Jacobi polynomial. Then we have

$$y_n(s) = P_n^{(2\varepsilon,2\nu)}(1-2s). \qquad (68)$$

The wave functions $\psi_n(s)$ are obtained from Eqs. 3, 7, 62, and 65 has the following form

$$\psi_n(s) = N_n s^{\left(\frac{1}{2}-\eta\right)+\varepsilon}(1-s)^{\nu}P_n^{(2\varepsilon,2\nu)}(1-2s). \qquad (69)$$

The normalization constant is denoted by N_n. One can find it by examining the normalizing condition.

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty}|\psi_n(x)|^2\,dx = 1 = \int_0^1|\psi_n(s)|^2\,ds \qquad (70)$$

5. Results and discussion

The theoretical framework for analyzing quantum systems with complex potentials is extended by deriving the position-dependent mass Schrödinger equation and solving it using the Nikiforov-Uvarov method. This framework makes it possible to study systems with non-standard potentials and position-dependent masses, which are important in many branches of physics. The solutions that were obtained are represented in Figs. 3 and 4 provide a physical description of the particle's quantum behavior when the q-deformed Woods-Saxon plus hyperbolic tangent potential is present. The system's fundamental features and behavior are clarified by the energy eigenvalues and wave functions, which provide insights into the bound states and scattering aspects of the system. Potential uses for the findings in nuclear and atomic physics, as well as other areas of theoretical physics, are indicated by the paper's results. Understanding the behavior of particles in complex potentials advances understanding in these domains and could have consequences for practical quantum technology applications. This research provides new

opportunities for investigating quantum systems with non-standard potentials and position-dependent masses. To improve prediction accuracy and expand the reach of the theoretical framework, future research could investigate extending the existing model to higher dimensions, different kinds of potentials, or include more quantum effects.
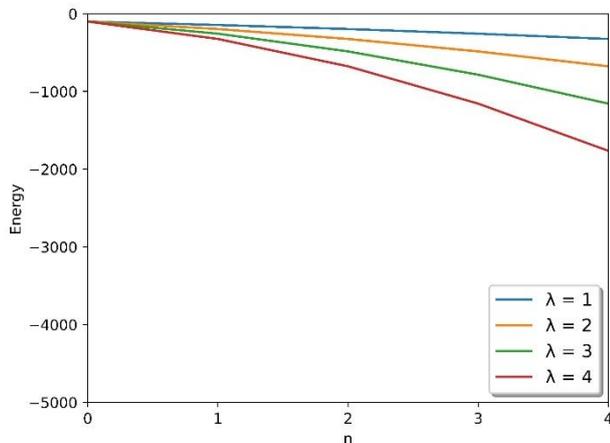

Fig. 3: Woods-Saxon plus hyperbolic tangent energy for $q = 0.5$, $\alpha = 0$, $\beta = -1$, $V_0 = 50$, and $V_1 = 100$
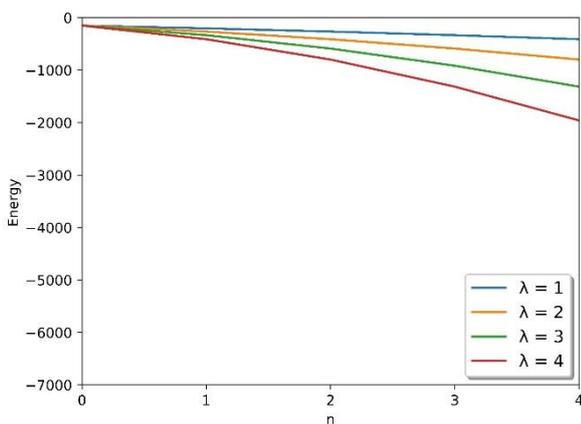

Fig. 4: Woods-Saxon plus hyperbolic tangent energy for $q = 1$, $\alpha = 0$, $\beta = -1$, $V_0 = 50$, and $V_1 = 100$

6. Conclusions

The solution of the mass variable Schrödinger equation with a Woods-Saxon plus hyperbolic tangent potential is obtained in this study by applying the Nikiforov-Uvarov method. The Jacobi polynomials are used to represent the wave function, and the energy eigenvalues are determined analytically. One of the toy models that can be used in various branches of physics, including quantum field theories and solid-states physics, is the hyperbolic tangent potential.

Compliance with ethical standards

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