

NORMALIZED GROUNDED STATES FOR A COUPLED NONLINEAR SCHRÖDINGER SYSTEM IN \mathbb{R}^3

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ABSTRACT. We investigate the existence of normalized ground states to system of coupled Schrödinger equations:

$$(0.1) \quad \begin{cases} -\Delta u_1 + \lambda_1 u_1 = \mu_1 |u_1|^{p_1-2} u_1 + \beta r_1 |u_1|^{r_1-2} u_1 |u_2|^{r_2} & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^3, \\ -\Delta u_2 + \lambda_2 u_2 = \mu_2 |u_2|^{p_2-2} u_2 + \beta r_2 |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2-2} u_2 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^3, \end{cases}$$

subject to the constraint $\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2} = \{u_1 \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \mid \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} u_1^2 dx = a_1^2\} \times \{u_2 \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \mid \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} u_2^2 dx = a_2^2\}$, where $\mu_1, \mu_2 > 0$, $r_1, r_2 > 1$, and $\beta \geq 0$. Our focus is on the coupled mass super-critical case, specifically,

$$\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, r_1 + r_2 < 2^* = 6.$$

We demonstrate that there exists a $\tilde{\beta} \geq 0$ such that equation (0.1) admits positive, radially symmetric, normalized ground state solutions when $\beta > \tilde{\beta}$. Furthermore, this result can be generalized to systems with an arbitrary number of components under some assumptions, and the corresponding standing wave is orbitally unstable.

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1 Introduction

This article investigates the existence of normalized ground state solutions to the coupled nonlinear Schrödinger equations:

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{cases} -\Delta u_1 + \lambda_1 u_1 = \mu_1 |u_1|^{p_1-2} u_1 + \beta r_1 |u_1|^{r_1-2} u_1 |u_2|^{r_2} & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^3, \\ -\Delta u_2 + \lambda_2 u_2 = \mu_2 |u_2|^{p_2-2} u_2 + \beta r_2 |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2-2} u_2 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^3, \end{cases}$$

subject to the constraint $(u_1, u_2) \in \mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2}$, where λ_1 and λ_2 are interpreted as Lagrange multipliers. Parameters $\mu_1, \mu_2 > 0$, $r_1, r_2 > 1$, $a_1, a_2 > 0$, and $\beta \geq 0$ are defined accordingly. These equations arise from the study of solitary waves for the system of coupled Schrödinger equations:

$$(1.2) \quad \begin{cases} -i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Phi_j = \Delta \Phi_j + \mu_j |\Phi_j|^{p_j-2} \Phi_j + \sum_{i \neq j} \beta_{ij} r_j |\Phi_i|^{r_i} |\Phi_j|^{r_j-2} \Phi_j & (x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}, \\ \Phi_j = \Phi_j(x, t) \in \mathbb{C}, & j = 1, \dots, k, \\ \Phi_j(x, t) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } |x| \rightarrow +\infty. \end{cases}$$

Here, $\mu_j > 0$ represents the self-focusing effect within the j^{th} beam component, while β_{ij} denotes the interaction strength between the i^{th} and j^{th} components, with attractive or repulsive interactions depending on the sign of β_{ij} . The system (1.2) is applicable in various physical contexts, particularly in nonlinear optics. Furthermore, it is analogous to the Hartree–Fock theory describing a binary Bose–Einstein condensate in distinct hyperfine states(cf. [16]).

To obtain solitary wave solutions of system (1.2), we assume $\Phi_j(x, t) = e^{i\lambda_j t} u_j(x)$, which allows us to convert the system into a set of steady-state, N-coupled nonlinear Schrödinger equations given by

$$(1.3) \quad \begin{cases} \Delta u_j - \lambda_j u_j + \mu_j |u_j|^{p_j-2} u_j + \sum_{i \neq j} r_j \beta_{ij} |u_i|^{r_i} |u_j|^{r_j-2} u_j = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^3 \\ u_j(x) \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \end{cases} \quad j = 1, \dots, k.$$

We make the assumption that $\beta_{ij} = \beta_{ji} \geq 0$ for all $i \neq j$, and fix $\mu_i > 0$. There are two viable approaches: one can either consider the frequencies λ_i as constant or incorporate them as unknown variables, prescribing the masses accordingly. The latter approach is particularly compelling from a physical perspective, as it treats λ_i as Lagrange multipliers associated with the mass constraint.

The issue of fixed λ_i has been extensively researched over the past decade. For systems with two components and the existence of positive solutions (i.e., $u_1, u_2 > 0$ in \mathbb{R}^3), the understanding is relatively comprehensive. Interested readers are referred to the literature, including [1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31] and their citations.

In contrast, fewer studies have addressed the existence of normalized solutions. References on this topic include [5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 17, 18], among others. Specifically, only the works [6, 11, 17, 18] tackle the issue of normalized solutions for system (1.3) with $\beta_{ij} > 0$.

We define the sets $\mathcal{D}_{a_j} = \{u \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \mid \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} u^2 dx \leq a_j^2\}$, $\partial \mathcal{D}_{a_j} = \mathcal{S}_{a_j} = \{u \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \mid \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} u^2 dx = a_j^2\}$, and $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k)$ and $\boldsymbol{\beta} = (\beta_{12}, \dots, \beta_{1k}, \dots, \beta_{k-1k})$. Additionally, $(H^1(\mathbb{R}^3))^k$ denotes the Cartesian product of $H^1(\mathbb{R}^3)$ with itself k times.

The constrained energy functional is given by

$$(1.4) \quad E_{\boldsymbol{\beta}}(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^k \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_j|^2 dx - \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{\mu_j}{p_j} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_j|^{p_j} dx - \sum_{i,j=1, i \neq j}^k \beta_{ij} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_i|^{r_i} |u_j|^{r_j} dx.$$

Since $E_{\boldsymbol{\beta}}(\mathbf{u})$ is unbounded on $\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \dots \times \mathcal{S}_{a_k}$, we utilize the Pohozaev-Nehari identity:

$$(1.5) \quad \begin{aligned} J_{\boldsymbol{\beta}}(\mathbf{u}) &= \sum_{j=1}^k \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_j|^2 dx - \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{3\mu_j(p_j-2)}{2p_j} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_j|^{p_j} dx \\ &\quad - \sum_{i,j=1, i \neq j}^k \frac{3\beta_{ij}(r_i+r_j-2)}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_i|^{r_i} |u_j|^{r_j} dx. \end{aligned}$$

We will show that all solutions to (1.3) satisfy (1.5). The set $\mathcal{M}_{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ is defined as $\{\mathbf{u} \in (H^1(\mathbb{R}^3))^k \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\} \mid J_{\boldsymbol{\beta}}(\mathbf{u}) = 0\}$, where $\mathbf{u} \neq \mathbf{0}$ indicates that at least one $u_j \neq 0$. A normalized ground state solution to (1.3) is a nontrivial solution that minimizes $E_{\boldsymbol{\beta}}(\mathbf{u})$ among all nontrivial solutions. Specifically, if \mathbf{u} solves (1.3) and $E_{\boldsymbol{\beta}}(\mathbf{u}) = \inf_{\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \dots \times \mathcal{S}_{a_k} \cap \mathcal{M}_{\boldsymbol{\beta}}} E_{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$, then \mathbf{u} is a normalized ground state solution.

We examine the scalar problem defined by the following system of equations:

$$(1.6) \quad \begin{cases} -\Delta w + \lambda w = \mu |w|^{p-2} w & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^3, \\ \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} w^2 dx = a^2. \end{cases}$$

According to [19], this system has a unique positive solution, denoted by $w_{a,\mu,p}$. Additionally, $w_{a,\mu,p}$ belongs to the set $\mathcal{P}(a, \mu, p)$ and satisfies $I_{a,\mu,p}(w_{a,\mu,p}) = \inf_{w \in \mathcal{P}(a,\mu,p)} I_{a,\mu,p}(w)$, where

$$\mathcal{P}(a, \mu, p) = \{w \in \mathcal{S}_a : \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla w|^2 dx = \frac{3(p-2)\mu}{2p} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |w|^p dx\}$$

and

$$I_{a,\mu,p}(w) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla w|^2 dx - \frac{\mu}{p} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |w|^p dx.$$

Furthermore, we define $\ell(a, \mu, p) := I_{a,\mu,p}(w_{a,\mu,p}) > 0$.

1.1 Case: $k=2$

Firstly, we examine the scenario where $k = 2$, and equation (1.3) is equivalent to (1.1).

For the case $p_1 = p_2 = 4$ and $r_1 = r_2 = 2$, [6] demonstrated the existence of a normalized solution with Morse index 2 when β is less than a certain positive constant. Additionally, they showed the existence of a mountain pass solution on the constraint, which also represents a normalized ground state solution when β exceeds a fixed positive constant. [11] verified the existence of a normalized solution for β across a wide range, employing a novel method based on the fixed point index in cones, bifurcation theory, and the continuation method. However, they did not confirm whether the normalized solution corresponds to a ground state. Under the following conditions:

$$(H_0) \ N \geq 1, 1 < p, q < 2 + \frac{4}{N}, r_1, r_2 > 1, 2 + \frac{4}{N} < r_1 + r_2 < 2^*;$$

$$(H_1) \ N \geq 1, 2 + \frac{4}{N} < p, q < 2^*, r_1, r_2 > 1, r_1 + r_2 < 2 + \frac{4}{N}, [17] \text{ obtained a multiplicity result.}$$

Recently, [18] established the existence of normalized ground state solutions for Equation (1.1) in the mass super-critical case, specifically for $2 + \frac{4}{N} < p_1, p_2, r_1 + r_2 < 2^*$, where $1 \leq N \leq 4$, with 2^* denoting the critical Sobolev index and $2 + \frac{4}{N}$ the mass subcritical index. However, the parameters r_1 and r_2 were required to meet the conditions $1 < r_1 \leq 2$ or $1 < r_2 \leq 2$. Motivated by [12], this paper introduces a distinct approach for investigating the existence of normalized ground state solutions, and our findings generalize those of [18] for $N = 3$. Furthermore, our approach requires only that $r_1, r_2 > 1$ and $r_1 + r_2 < 6$, indicating a relaxation of the conditions on r_1 and r_2 compared to [18].

We define $\gamma(\beta) = \inf_{\mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta} E_\beta(u_1, u_2)$. We present the main results below.

Theorem 1.1. *Assume that $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, r_1 + r_2 < 6$ with $r_1, r_2 > 1$. There exists a non-negative constant $\tilde{\beta}$. The function $\gamma(\beta)$ and $\tilde{\beta}$ possess the following characteristics:*

- (i) $\gamma(\beta)$ is continuously defined on $[0, \infty)$;
- (ii) For $\beta \in [0, \tilde{\beta}]$, $\gamma(\beta)$ is given by $\min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)\}$, and it is strictly decreasing on $(\tilde{\beta}, \infty)$;
- (iii) As $\beta \rightarrow \infty$, $\gamma(\beta) \rightarrow 0$.

Theorem 1.2. *Assume that $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, r_1 + r_2 < 6$ and $r_1, r_2 > 1$. Then equation 1.1 possesses positive, radially symmetric, normalized ground state solutions $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, u_1, u_2)$ for $\beta > \tilde{\beta}$.*

Remark 1.3. $\tilde{\beta}$ is a fixed constant. According to [18, Theorem 2.2], we can obtain the concrete value of $\tilde{\beta}$ under some assumptions.

Theorem 1.4. *Assume that $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, r_1 + r_2 < 6$ and $r_1, r_2 > 1$. Let $\beta > \tilde{\beta}$ and consider a sequence $\beta_n \rightarrow \beta$ with $\beta_n > \tilde{\beta}$. There exists $(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) \in \mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_{\beta_n}$ that achieves the minimum energy $E_{\beta_n}(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) = \gamma(\beta_n)$. Then $(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n})$ is a Palais-Smale sequence for the functional E_β restricted to $\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2}$. Moreover, there is a normalized ground state solution (u_1, u_2) of E_β such that $(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) \rightarrow (u_1, u_2)$ in $H^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \times H^1(\mathbb{R}^3)$ up to a subsequence.*

We define the set $K_\beta = \{(u_1, u_2) | (u_1, u_2) \in \mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta, E_\beta(u_1, u_2) = \gamma(\beta)\}$. It follows that $K_\beta \subseteq H_r^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \times H_r^1(\mathbb{R}^3)$ and, according to Theorem 1.4, K_β is compact. The expressions for $d_1(\beta)$ and $\hat{d}_1(\beta)$ are given by

$$d_1(\beta) = \inf_{(u_1, u_2) \in K_\beta} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx = \min_{(u_1, u_2) \in K_\beta} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx,$$

$$\hat{d}_1(\beta) = \sup_{(u_1, u_2) \in K_\beta} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx = \max_{(u_1, u_2) \in K_\beta} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx.$$

The functions $d_1(\beta)$ and $\hat{d}_1(\beta)$ are well-defined for $\beta \in (\tilde{\beta}, \infty)$.

Theorem 1.5. *Assume that $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, r_1 + r_2 < 6$ and $r_1, r_2 > 1$. Then $\gamma(\beta)$ is differentiable at almost everywhere $\beta \in (\tilde{\beta}, +\infty)$. Furthermore, for $\beta_0 \in (\tilde{\beta}, +\infty)$,*

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \beta_0^+} \frac{\gamma(\beta) - \gamma(\beta_0)}{\beta - \beta_0} = -\hat{d}_1(\beta_0), \quad \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \beta_0^-} \frac{\gamma(\beta) - \gamma(\beta_0)}{\beta - \beta_0} = -d_1(\beta_0).$$

In particular, $d_1(\beta_0) = \hat{d}_1(\beta_0) \Leftrightarrow \gamma(\beta)$ is differentiable at β_0 and $\gamma'(\beta_0) = -d_1(\beta_0)$.

Theorem 1.6. *Assume that $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, r_1 + r_2 < 6$ and $r_1, r_2 > 1$. Let $(u_{1,\beta}, u_{2,\beta})$ be the normalized ground state solution of E_β for $\beta > \tilde{\beta}$. If $\lambda_1(\beta)$ and $\lambda_2(\beta)$ are the Lagrange multipliers associated with $(u_{1,\beta}, u_{2,\beta})$, then*

- (i) $\lambda_1(\beta)$ and $\lambda_2(\beta)$ are continuous on $(\tilde{\beta}, \infty)$ and are strictly positive;
- (ii) as $\beta \rightarrow \infty$, $\lambda_1(\beta) \rightarrow 0$ and $\lambda_2(\beta) \rightarrow 0$.

1.2 Case: k=3

In the case where $k = 3$, it has been shown by [6] that when $p_1 = p_2 = p_3 = p_4 = 4$ and $r_1 = r_2 = r_3 = 2$, a normalized solution exists for β_{ij} , $1 \leq i < j \leq 3$, sufficiently small. This result was established using an implicit function argument. Moreover, [6] proved the existence of a mountain pass solution within a certain range of $(\beta_{12}, \beta_{13}, \beta_{23})$. In this work, we build upon these findings from [6] to provide further insights.

For the sake of simplicity, we take $\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1) = \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2), \ell(a_3, \mu_3, p_3)\}$. An analogous consideration applies to the other instances. We define

$$\gamma_{123}(\beta) = \inf_{\mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_3} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta} E_\beta(\mathbf{u}),$$

where $\beta = (\beta_{12}, \beta_{13}, \beta_{23})$ and $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3)$. We introduce the notation

$$\gamma_{ij}(\beta_{ij}) = \inf_{\mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_{\beta_{ij}}} E_{\beta_{ij}}(u_i, u_j),$$

with $\tilde{\beta}_{ij}$ as defined in Theorem 1.1 for the functional $E_{\beta_{ij}}(u_i, u_j)$, for $1 \leq i < j \leq 3$. We denote

$$\Xi = \{(\beta_{12}, \beta_{13}, \beta_{23}) | \beta_{12}, \beta_{13}, \beta_{23} \geq 0\}.$$

According to Theorem 1.1, there is a $\bar{\beta}_{23} \geq 0$ for which $\gamma(\bar{\beta}_{23}) = \ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1)$.

Theorem 1.7. Suppose $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, p_3, r_1 + r_2, r_1 + r_3, r_2 + r_3 < 6$ and $r_1, r_2, r_3 > 1$. Then, the function $\gamma_{123}(\beta)$ has the following characteristics:

- (i) $\gamma_{123}(\beta)$ is continuous over the set Ξ ;
- (ii) As $|\beta| \rightarrow \infty$, where $|\beta| = (\beta_{12}^2 + \beta_{13}^2 + \beta_{23}^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$, we have $\gamma_{123}(\beta) \rightarrow 0$;
- (iii) Let $\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1) = \min \{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2), \ell(a_3, \mu_3, p_3)\}$. Then, the following holds:

$$\begin{cases} \gamma_{123}(\beta_{12}, 0, 0) = \gamma_{12}(\beta_{12}) \\ \gamma_{123}(0, \beta_{13}, 0) = \gamma_{13}(\beta_{13}) \\ \gamma_{123}(0, 0, \beta_{23}) = \begin{cases} \ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1) & \text{for } 0 \leq \beta_{23} \leq \bar{\beta}_{23} \\ \gamma(\beta_{23}) & \text{for } \beta_{23} > \bar{\beta}_{23}. \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

Let $\Omega = \{(\beta_{12}, \beta_{13}, \beta_{23}) | \gamma_{123}(\beta_{12}, \beta_{13}, \beta_{23}) < \gamma_{ij}(\beta_{ij}), 1 \leq i < j \leq 3\}$.

Theorem 1.8. Suppose $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, p_3, r_1 + r_2, r_1 + r_3, r_2 + r_3 < 6$, with $r_1, r_2, r_3 > 1$, and $\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1) = \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2), \ell(a_3, \mu_3, p_3)\}$. Furthermore, if there exists $j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ such that $r_j < 2$, then:

- (i) Ω is a non-empty, unbounded, simply connected open subset of Ξ ;
- (ii) Equation 1.3 has positive radially symmetric normalized ground state solutions $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, u_1, u_2, u_3)$ for $\beta \in \Omega$.

Remark 1.9. Under the same hypotheses as above but with $r_1 = r_2 = r_3 = 2$, and for $(\beta_{12}, \beta_{13}, \beta_{23}) \in (\bar{\beta}_{12}, +\infty) \times (\bar{\beta}_{13}, +\infty) \times (\bar{\beta}_{23}, +\infty)$, assume the existence of (u_2, u_3) , (\bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2) , and $(\tilde{u}_1, \tilde{u}_3)$ such that $\gamma_{23}(\beta_{23}) = E_{\beta_{23}}(u_2, u_3)$, $\gamma_{12}(\beta_{12}) = E_{\beta_{12}}(\bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2)$, and $\gamma_{13}(\beta_{13}) = E_{\beta_{13}}(\tilde{u}_1, \tilde{u}_3)$. By analogy with the proof of [18, Theorem 7.2], to establish $\Omega \neq \emptyset$, one must find $(\beta_{12}, \beta_{13}, \beta_{23})$ satisfying the following three inequalities for $h \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \setminus \{0\}$:

- (i) $-\frac{1}{2}\Delta h < \beta_{12}|u_2|^2 h - \beta_{13}|u_3|^2 h$ in \mathbb{R}^3 ;
- (ii) $-\frac{1}{2}\Delta h < \beta_{12}|\bar{u}_2|^2 h - \beta_{23}|\bar{u}_3|^2 h$ in \mathbb{R}^3 ;
- (iii) $-\frac{1}{2}\Delta h < \beta_{12}|\tilde{u}_2|^2 h - \beta_{23}|\tilde{u}_3|^2 h$ in \mathbb{R}^3 . We indetermination the existence of $(\beta_{12}, \beta_{13}, \beta_{23})$ satisfying three inequations.

Theorem 1.10. Suppose $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, p_3, r_1 + r_2, r_1 + r_3, r_2 + r_3 < 6$, with $r_1, r_2, r_3 > 1$, and $\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1) = \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2), \ell(a_3, \mu_3, p_3)\}$. Furthermore, there exists $j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ such that $r_j < 2$. If $\beta \in \Omega$ and $\beta_n \in \Omega$ converge to β in \mathbb{R}^3 , then there exist sequences $\mathbf{u}_n = (u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}, u_{3,n})$ such that $E_{\beta_n}(\mathbf{u}_n) = \gamma_{123}(\beta_n)$. Consequently, we can obtain $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3)$ in $(H^1(\mathbb{R}^3))^3$ such that \mathbf{u}_n , up to a subsequence, converges to \mathbf{u} and $E_{\beta}(\mathbf{u}) = \gamma(\beta)$.

We define the set $K_{\beta} = \{(u_1, u_2, u_3) | (u_1, u_2, u_3) \in \mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_3} \cap \mathcal{M}_{\beta}, E_{\beta}(u_1, u_2, u_3) = \gamma(\beta)\}$, and which is a subset of $H_r^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \times H_r^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \times H_r^1(\mathbb{R}^3)$. By Theorem 1.10, it is established that K_{β} is compact. The following quantities are defined for $1 \leq i < j \leq 3$:

$$c_{ij}(\beta) = \inf_{\mathbf{u} \in K_{\beta}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_i|^{r_i} |u_j|^{r_j} dx = \min_{\mathbf{u} \in K_{\beta}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_i|^{r_i} |u_j|^{r_j} dx$$

and

$$\hat{c}_{ij}(\beta) = \sup_{\mathbf{u} \in K_{\beta}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_i|^{r_i} |u_j|^{r_j} dx = \max_{\mathbf{u} \in K_{\beta}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_i|^{r_i} |u_j|^{r_j} dx.$$

Theorem 1.11. Suppose $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, p_3, r_1 + r_2, r_1 + r_3, r_2 + r_3 < 6$, with $r_1, r_2, r_3 > 1$, and $\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1) = \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2), \ell(a_3, \mu_3, p_3)\}$. Furthermore, there exists $j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ such that $r_j < 2$. The partial derivatives of $\gamma(\beta)$ exist almost everywhere $\beta \in \Omega$. Furthermore,

$$\lim_{\delta\beta_{ij} \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\gamma(\beta + \delta\beta_{ij}) - \gamma(\beta)}{\delta\beta_{ij}} = -\hat{c}_{ij}(\beta)$$

and

$$\lim_{\delta\beta_{ij} \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{\gamma(\beta + \delta\beta_{ij}) - \gamma(\beta)}{\delta\beta_{ij}} = -c_{ij}(\beta).$$

Here $\delta\beta_{12} = (\delta\beta_{12}, 0, 0)$, $\delta\beta_{13} = (0, \delta\beta_{13}, 0)$, $\delta\beta_{23} = (0, 0, \delta\beta_{23})$ and $1 \leq i < j \leq 3$.

Specifically, $c_{ij}(\beta) = \hat{c}_{ij}(\beta) \Leftrightarrow$ the partial derivative of $\gamma(\beta)$ with respect to β_{ij} at β_0 exists and $\frac{\partial\gamma(\beta)}{\partial\beta_{ij}} = -c_{ij}(\beta)$.

Theorem 1.12. Suppose $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, p_3, r_1 + r_2, r_1 + r_3, r_2 + r_3 < 6$, with $r_1, r_2, r_3 > 1$, and $\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1) = \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2), \ell(a_3, \mu_3, p_3)\}$. Furthermore, there exists $j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ such that $r_j < 2$. Let $(u_{1,\beta}, u_{2,\beta}, u_{3,\beta})$ be a normalized ground state solution of E_β for $\beta \in \Omega$. Let $\lambda_1(\beta)$, $\lambda_2(\beta)$ and $\lambda_3(\beta)$ be Lagrange multipliers of $(u_{1,\beta}, u_{2,\beta}, u_{3,\beta})$. Then

- (i) $\lambda_1(\beta)$, $\lambda_2(\beta)$ and $\lambda_3(\beta)$ are continuous on Ω . Moreover, $\lambda_1(\beta), \lambda_2(\beta), \lambda_3(\beta) > 0$;
- (ii) $\lambda_1(\beta), \lambda_2(\beta), \lambda_3(\beta) \rightarrow 0$ as $|\beta| \rightarrow +\infty$.

1.3 Case: $k > 3$

We can extend Theorems 1.7, 1.8, 1.10, 1.11, and 1.12 to the corresponding versions of Equation (1.3) for $k > 3$. However, the corresponding results are omitted here for simplicity.

Let us proceed to investigate the orbital stability of solitary waves for the system

$$-i\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\Phi_j = \Delta\Phi_j + \mu_j|\Phi_j|^{p_j-2}\Phi_j + \sum_{i \neq j} \beta_{ij}r_j|\Phi_i|^{r_i}|\Phi_j|^{r_j-2}\Phi_j, \quad (x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}, \quad j = 1, \dots, k,$$

which are associated with the solutions obtained in Theorem 1.8, or Theorem 1.2 when $k = 2$. By [5, Theorem 1.8], the following theorem can be established.

Theorem 1.13. Let $k \geq 2$. Suppose $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k, u_1, \dots, u_k)$ represents the solution obtained from Theorem 1.8 (or Theorem 1.2 when $k = 2$). Then the associated solitary wave is orbitally unstable by blow up in finite time.

We outline our approach to finding normalized ground states for equation (1.1). We employ the framework from [12] to identify the minimizer (u_1, u_2) of $E_\beta(u_1, u_2)$ over the set $\mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta$. We then demonstrate that if $\gamma(\beta) < \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)\}$, the pair (u_1, u_2) resides in $\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2}$. According to [18, Lemmas 4.8 and 4.9], \mathcal{M}_β is a natural constraint, implying that (u_1, u_2) serves as a normalized ground state solution to (1.1). Furthermore, we investigate the range of β for which $\gamma(\beta) < \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)\}$. We establish the monotonicity of $\gamma(\beta)$, which guarantees the existence of a $\tilde{\beta} \geq 0$ such that $\gamma(\beta)$ is constant on $[0, \tilde{\beta}]$ and strictly decreasing on $(\tilde{\beta}, +\infty)$. Ultimately, we show that $\gamma(0) = \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)\}$ and $\gamma(\beta) \searrow 0$ as $\beta \rightarrow +\infty$, indicating the existence of $\tilde{\beta}$ such that for $\beta > \tilde{\beta}$, $\gamma(\beta) < \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)\}$.

When $k = 3$, we can employ a similar approach to establish the existence of a minimizer for

$$\inf_{\mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_3} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta} E_{(\beta_{12}, \beta_{13}, \beta_{23})}(u_{12}, u_{13}, u_{23}).$$

Subsequently, we investigate the interrelation between $\gamma_{ij}(\beta_{ij})$ and $\gamma_{123}(\beta)$. In contrast to the case with $k = 2$, it is necessary to show that Ω is non-empty. However, we merely demonstrate that if there exists an index $j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ such that $1 < r_j < 2$, then Ω is indeed non-empty. Ultimately, we can derive the corresponding result for $\beta \in \Omega$.

The structure of the paper is as follows: In Section 2, we investigate the properties of $E_\beta(u_1, u_2)$ and $J_\beta(u_1, u_2)$ and demonstrate the existence of $\inf_{\mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta} E_\beta(u_1, u_2)$. Section 3 is dedicated to the case $k = 2$, where we establish that the minimizers of $E_\beta(u_1, u_2)$ within $\mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta$ are exclusively contained in $\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_1}$ under an assumption of β . Subsequently, we examine the characteristics of $\gamma(\beta)$. In Section 4, we consider the scenario $k = 3$. We generalize some findings from Section 2 and explore the relationship between $\gamma(\beta_{ij})$ and $\gamma(\beta)$, for $1 \leq i < j \leq 3$. Finally, we demonstrate that Ω is non-empty.

Let us establish the following notations. The L^p norm, denoted as $|\cdot|_p$, is considered for $p \geq 1$. We define $H^1(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R}^k)$ as $(H^1(\mathbb{R}^3))^k$, and its corresponding norm is given by

$$\|(u_1, \dots, u_k)\|_{H^1(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R}^k)}^2 = \sum_{j=1}^k |u_j|_2^2 + \sum_{j=1}^k |\nabla u_j|_2^2.$$

For $(u_1, \dots, u_k) \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R}^k)$, we simplify the notations as $|(u_1, \dots, u_k)|_2^2 = \sum_{j=1}^k |u_j|_2^2$ and

$$|\nabla(u_1, \dots, u_k)|_2^2 = \sum_{j=1}^k |\nabla u_j|_2^2.$$

Furthermore, $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, \dots, u_k) \neq \mathbf{0}$ signifies that there exists at least one $j \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ such that $u_j \neq 0$. Lastly, $(H_r^1(\mathbb{R}^3), \mathbb{R}^k)$ denotes the product of k copies of $H_r^1(\mathbb{R}^3)$, with $H_r^1(\mathbb{R}^3)$ representing the space of radially symmetric functions in $H^1(\mathbb{R}^3)$.

2 Preliminaries

In this section, we demonstrate several properties of $E_\beta(u_1, u_2)$ and $J_\beta(u_1, u_2)$ that can be generalized to the scenario where $k > 2$.

Lemma 2.1. ([18, Lemma 4.1]) *Let $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, r_1 + r_2 < 2^*$, $r_1, r_2 > 1$, and $\beta \geq 0$. If $(u_1, u_2) \neq \mathbf{0}$ is a weak solution to Equation 1.1 restricted to $\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2}$, then $J_\beta(\mathbf{u}) = 0$.*

Lemma 2.2. ([18, Lemma 4.4]) *Assume $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2 < 2^*$ and $r_1 + r_2 < 2^*$, with $r_1, r_2 > 1$ and $\beta \geq 0$. There exists a positive constant C_0 , dependent solely on p_1, p_2, r_1, r_2 , such that*

$$E_\beta(u_1, u_2) \geq C_0 (|\nabla u_1|_2^2 + |\nabla u_2|_2^2)$$

holds for any (u_1, u_2) that fulfill $J_\beta(u_1, u_2) = 0$. This indicates that E_β is coercive on the set $\mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta$.

Lemma 2.3. ([18, Lemma 4.6]) *Suppose $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2 < 2^*$ and $r_1, r_2 > 1$ with $r_1 + r_2 < 2^*$, and let $\beta \geq 0$. There exists some $\delta > 0$ such that the following holds:*

$$\inf_{(u_1, u_2) \in \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta} (|\nabla u_1|_2^2 + |\nabla u_2|_2^2) > \delta,$$

implying $\gamma(\beta) > 0$.

We define $t \star (u_1, u_2) = (u_1^t, u_2^t) = (t^{\frac{3}{2}} u_1(tx), t^{\frac{3}{2}} u_2(tx))$ for all $t > 0$. It is straightforward to show that $|\nabla(t \star (u_1, u_2))|_2 = |\nabla(u_1, u_2)|_2$. The following proposition can be derived.

Proposition 2.4. ([18, Lemma 4.2 and Corollary 4.3]) *Suppose that $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, r_1 + r_2 < 2^*$, $r_1, r_2 > 1$, and $\beta \geq 0$. If $(u_1, u_2) \in \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2}$ with $(u_1, u_2) \neq \mathbf{0}$, there exists a unique $t_0 > 0$ such that*

$$\max_{t>0} E_\beta(t \star (u_1, u_2)) = E_\beta(t_0 \star (u_1, u_2))$$

and $t_0 \star (u_1, u_2) \in \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta$.

Lemma 2.5. ([18, Lemma 4.8 and 4.9]) *Assume that $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, r_1 + r_2 < 2^*$, with $r_1, r_2 > 1$ and $\beta \geq 0$. For any critical point of E_β on $\mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta$, there exist $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that*

$$E'_\beta(u_1, u_2) + \lambda_1(u_1, 0) + \lambda_2(0, u_2) = 0.$$

Before demonstrating that the infimum $\inf_{\mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta} E_\beta(\mathbf{u})$ is achieved, we require a result regarding profile decomposition, which is a generalization of [25, Theorem 1.4].

Lemma 2.6. *Let $(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) \subset H^1(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R}^2)$ be bounded. Then, for any $n \geq 1$, there exist sequences $(\tilde{u}_{1,i}, \tilde{u}_{2,i})_{i=0}^\infty \subset H^1(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R}^2)$ and $(y_n^i)_{i=0}^\infty \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ such that $y_n^0 = 0$, $|y_n^i - y_n^j| \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for $i \neq j$, and, upon passing to a subsequence, the following conditions hold for any $i \geq 0$:*

$$u_{1,n}(\cdot + y_n^i) \rightharpoonup \tilde{u}_{1,i} \text{ in } H^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$u_{2,n}(\cdot + y_n^i) \rightharpoonup \tilde{u}_{2,i} \text{ in } H^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,n}|^2 + |u_{2,n}|^2 dx = \sum_{j=0}^i \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla \tilde{u}_{1,j}|^2 + |\nabla \tilde{u}_{2,j}|^2 dx + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla v_{1,n}^i|^2 + |\nabla v_{2,n}^i|^2 dx,$$

where $v_{1,n}^i := u_{1,n} - \sum_{j=0}^i \tilde{u}_{1,j}(\cdot - y_n^j)$ and $v_{2,n}^i := u_{2,n} - \sum_{j=0}^i \tilde{u}_{2,j}(\cdot - y_n^j)$. Furthermore, we have

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} H(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) dx = \sum_{j=0}^\infty \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} H(\tilde{u}_{1,j}, \tilde{u}_{2,j}) dx,$$

where the functional H is defined as

$$H(u_1, u_2) = \frac{\mu_1}{p_1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{p_1} dx + \frac{\mu_2}{p_2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_2|^{p_2} dx + \beta \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx.$$

We draw upon [12, Lemma 2.7] and [18, Lemma 5.1] to establish the following lemma. The proof is analogous to those provided therein, and thus, it is omitted here.

Lemma 2.7. *Suppose that $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2 < 2^*$ and $r_1 + r_2 < 2^*$, with $r_1, r_2 > 1$ and $\beta \geq 0$. The minimizer $\inf_{\mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta} E_\beta(\mathbf{u})$ is achieved by a non-negative, radially symmetric function over the interval $[0, +\infty)$.*

3 case: k=2

In this section, we demonstrate that the minimizers of $E_\beta(u_1, u_2) \in \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta$ only belong to $\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_1}$ under the assumption that is $\gamma(\beta) < \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)\}$. Additionally, we discuss certain properties of the function $\gamma(\beta)$.

Lemma 3.1. Assume that $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, r_1 + r_2 < 2^*$, with $r_1, r_2 > 1$ and $\beta > 0$, if

$$\gamma(\beta) < \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)\},$$

then for any $(u_1, u_2) \in (\mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \setminus \mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2}) \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta$, it follows that

$$\inf_{\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta} E_\beta < E_\beta(u_1, u_2).$$

Proof. Suppose by contradiction that there is $(u_1, u_2) \in \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta$ such that $\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} u_1^2 dx < a_1$ and $\gamma(\beta) = E(u_1, u_2) \leq \inf_{\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta} E_\beta$. We claim that $u_1 \neq 0$. If not, we would have $u_1 = 0$. Since $(u_1, u_2) \in \mathcal{M}_\beta$, we have $u_2 \neq 0$. We easily have $|u_2|_2 = a_2$ according to [12, Lemma 2.8]. Then $\gamma(\beta) = \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)$, which is a contradiction.

According to Proposition 2.4, there exists a unique $t = t(l)$ such that $(t^{\frac{3}{2}}lu_1(tx), t^{\frac{3}{2}}u_2(tx)) \in \mathcal{M}_\beta$ for any fixed $l > 0$ and $t(1) = 1$. This leads to the following equality:

$$\begin{aligned} l^2 t^2 |\nabla u_1|_2^2 + t^2 |\nabla u_2|_2^2 &= \frac{3\mu_1(p_1 - 2)}{2p_1} l^{p_1} t^{\frac{3}{2}p_1 - 3} |u_1|_{p_1}^{p_1} + \frac{3\mu_2(p_2 - 2)}{2p_2} t^{\frac{3}{2}p_2 - 3} |u_2|_{p_2}^{p_2} \\ &\quad + \frac{3\beta(r_1 + r_2 - 2)}{2} l^{r_1} t^{\frac{3}{2}(r_1 + r_2) - 3} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx, \end{aligned}$$

from which we derive

$$\frac{dt}{dl} \Big|_{l=1} = \frac{2|\nabla u_1|_2^2 - \frac{3(p_1-2)}{2}\mu_1|u_1|_{p_1}^{p_1} - \frac{3\beta r_1(r_1+r_2-2)}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx}{\frac{3(p_1-2)}{2p_1}(\frac{3}{2}p_1 - 5)\mu_1|u_1|_{p_1}^{p_1} + \frac{3(p_2-2)}{2p_2}(\frac{3}{2}p_2 - 5)\mu_2|u_2|_{p_2}^{p_2} + \frac{3(r_1+r_2-2)}{2}(\frac{3}{2}(r_1 + r_2) - 5)\beta \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx}.$$

Given that $(u_1, u_2) \in \mathcal{M}_\beta$, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} E_\beta(u_1, u_2) &= E_\beta(u_1, u_2) - \frac{1}{2} J_\beta(u_1, u_2) \\ &= \frac{3(p_1 - 2) - 4}{4p_1} \mu_1 |u_1|_{p_1}^{p_1} + \frac{3(p_2 - 2) - 4}{4p_2} \mu_2 |u_2|_{p_2}^{p_2} + \frac{3(r_1 + r_2 - 2) - 4}{4} \beta \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\gamma(\beta) = E(u_1, u_2)$, we have

$$\frac{\partial E_\beta(t^{\frac{3}{2}}lu_2(tx), t^{\frac{3}{2}}u_2(tx))}{\partial l} \Big|_{l=1} = 0.$$

Direct computation and the fact that $(u_1, u_2) \in \mathcal{M}_\beta$ lead to

$$(3.1) \quad |\nabla u_1|_2^2 - \mu_1 |u_1|_{p_1}^{p_1} - r_1 \beta \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx = 0.$$

Notice that $\gamma(\beta) = \inf_{u \in \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \cap \{u | (u, u_2) \in \mathcal{M}_\beta\}} E_\beta(u, u_2) = E_\beta(u_1, u_2)$ and $u_1 \in \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \setminus \mathcal{S}_{a_1}$, there exists λ such that

$$\begin{aligned} & -\Delta u_1 - \mu_1 |u_1|^{p_1-2} u_1 - \beta r_1 |u_1|^{r_1-2} u_1 |u_2|^{r_2} \\ & + \lambda (-2\Delta u_1 - \frac{3(p_1-2)}{2} \mu_1 |u_1|^{p_1-2} u_1 - \frac{3\beta r_1(r_1+r_2-2)}{2} |u_1|^{r_1-2} u_1 |u_2|^{r_2}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

or equivalently

$$-(1 + 2\lambda)\Delta u_1 - (1 + \frac{3\lambda(p_1-2)}{2})\mu_1 |u_1|^{p_1-2} u_1 - (1 + \frac{3\lambda(r_1+r_2-2)}{2})r_1\beta |u_1|^{r_1-2} u_1 |u_2|^{r_2} = 0.$$

This implies that u_1 satisfies the Nehari-type identity

$$(1 + 2\lambda)|\nabla u_1|_2^2 = (1 + \frac{3\lambda(p_1 - 2)}{2})\mu_1|u_1|_{p_1}^{p_1} + (1 + \frac{3\lambda(r_1 + r_2 - 2)}{2})r_1\beta \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1}|u_2|^{r_2} dx.$$

In conjunction with (3.1), we can conclude that $\lambda = 0$ or

$$2|\nabla u_1|_2^2 = \frac{3(p_1 - 2)}{2}\mu_1|u_1|_{p_1}^{p_1} + \frac{3(r_1 + r_2 - 2)}{2}r_1\beta \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1}|u_2|^{r_2} dx.$$

Case 1: $\lambda = 0$.

We have

$$-\Delta u_1 - \mu_1|u_1|^{p_1-2}u_1 - \beta r_1|u_1|^{r_1-2}u_1|u_2|^{r_2} = 0.$$

Thus u_1 satisfies the Pohozaev identity:

$$|\nabla u_1|_2^2 = 6(\frac{\mu_1}{p_1}|u_1|_{p_1}^{p_1} + \beta \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1}|u_2|^{r_2} dx).$$

From Equation (3.1), it follows that

$$\frac{6 - p_1}{p_1}\mu_1|u_1|_{p_1}^{p_1} + (6 - r_1)\beta \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1}|u_2|^{r_2} dx = 0,$$

which implies a contradiction since $u_1 \neq 0$.

$$\text{Case 2: } 2|\nabla u_1|_2^2 = \frac{3(p_1-2)}{2}\mu_1|u_1|_{p_1}^{p_1} + \frac{3(r_1+r_2-2)}{2}r_1\beta \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1}|u_2|^{r_2} dx.$$

Utilizing Equation (3.1) yields

$$\frac{3p_1 - 10}{4}\mu_1|u_1|_{p_1}^{p_1} + \frac{3(r_1 + r_2) - 10}{4}\beta r_1 \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1}|u_2|^{r_2} dx = 0,$$

which again contradicts the assumption $u_1 \neq 0$. Thus $u_1 \in \mathcal{S}_{a_1}$.

An analogous argument shows that $u_2 \in \mathcal{S}_{a_2}$, completing the proof. \square

We will now proceed to discuss the characteristics of the function $\gamma(\beta)$.

Proposition 3.2. *Assuming that $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2 < 2^*$ and $r_1, r_2 > 1$ with $r_1 + r_2 < 2^*$. $\gamma(\beta)$ is non-increasing over the interval $[0, +\infty)$.*

Proof. Let us assume that $0 \leq \beta_1 < \beta_2$. For any arbitrarily small $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $(u_1, u_2) \in \mathcal{M}_{\beta_1}$ such that $E_{\beta_1}(u_1, u_2) < \gamma(\beta_1) + \varepsilon$, with u_1 and u_2 both nonzero. Proposition 2.4 ensures the existence of a unique $t > 0$ for which $t \star (u_1, u_2) \in \mathcal{M}_{\beta_2}$ and $E_{\beta_1}(t \star (u_1, u_2)) \leq E_{\beta_1}(u_1, u_2)$. It follows from the expression of E_β that the following chain of inequalities holds:

$$\gamma(\beta_2) \leq E_{\beta_2}(t \star (u_1, u_2)) \leq E_{\beta_1}(t \star (u_1, u_2)) \leq E_{\beta_1}(u_1, u_2) < \gamma(\beta_1) + \varepsilon.$$

Consequently, we deduce that $\gamma(\beta_2) \leq \gamma(\beta_1)$. \square

The proof of Theorem 1.1 (i). Due to Proposition 3.2, we need only demonstrate that for any sequence $\beta_n \rightarrow \beta^+$, the inequality holds:

$$(3.2) \quad \gamma(\beta) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \gamma(\beta_n).$$

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be arbitrarily fixed. Suppose there exists a sequence $(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) \in \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_{\beta_n}$ such that $E_{\beta_n}(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) < \gamma(\beta_n) + \varepsilon$. According to Proposition 2.4, there exists a sequence t_n such that $t_n \star (u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) \in \mathcal{M}_\beta$. Notice that

$$\gamma(\beta) \leq E_\beta(t_n \star (u_{1,n}, u_{2,n})) = E_{\beta_n}(t_n \star (u_{1,n}, u_{2,n})) + (\beta_n - \beta)t_n^{\frac{3(r_1+r_2-2)}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,n}|^{r_1} |u_{2,n}|^{r_2} dx.$$

By Proposition 2.4, we have $E_{\beta_n}(t_n \star (u_{1,n}, u_{2,n})) \leq E_{\beta_n}(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) < \gamma(\beta_n) + \varepsilon$. Therefore, it suffices to show that

$$t_n^{\frac{3(r_1+r_2-2)}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,n}|^{r_1} |u_{2,n}|^{r_2} dx$$

is bounded. Proposition 3.2 and Lemma 2.2, yield

$$C_0(|\nabla u_{1,n}|_2^2 + |\nabla u_{2,n}|_2^2) \leq \gamma(\beta_n) + \varepsilon \leq \gamma(\beta) + \varepsilon.$$

This implies that $(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n})$ is bounded in $H^1(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R}^2)$ and $\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,n}|^{r_1} |u_{2,n}|^{r_2} dx$ is bounded. Since $t_n \star (u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) \in \mathcal{M}_\beta$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |\nabla u_{1,n}|_2^2 + |\nabla u_{2,n}|_2^2 &= t_n^{\frac{3(p_1-2)}{2}-2} \frac{3\mu_1(p_1-2)}{2p_1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,n}|^{p_1} dx + t_n^{\frac{3(p_2-2)}{2}-2} \frac{3\mu_2(p_2-2)}{2p_2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{2,n}|^{p_2} dx \\ &\quad + t_n^{\frac{3(r_1+r_2-2)}{2}-2} \frac{3\beta(r_1+r_2-2)}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,n}|^{r_1} |u_{2,n}|^{r_2} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Assume that $p_1 = \min\{p_1, p_2, r_1 + r_2\}$, then by $(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) \in \mathcal{M}_{\beta_n}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (3.3) \quad |\nabla u_{1,n}|_2^2 + |\nabla u_{2,n}|_2^2 &= t_n^{\frac{3(p_1-2)}{2}-2} (|\nabla u_{1,n}|_2^2 + |\nabla u_{2,n}|_2^2 - \frac{3(\beta_n - \beta)(r_1 + r_2 - 2)}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,n}|^{r_1} |u_{2,n}|^{r_2} dx) \\ &\quad + (t_n^{\frac{3(p_2-2)}{2}-2} - t_n^{\frac{3(p_1-2)}{2}-2}) \frac{3\mu_1(p_2-2)}{2p_2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{2,n}|^{p_2} dx \\ &\quad + (t_n^{\frac{3(r_1+r_2-2)}{2}-2} - t_n^{\frac{3(p_1-2)}{2}-2}) \frac{3\beta(r_1+r_2-2)}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,n}|^{r_1} |u_{2,n}|^{r_2} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Again by Proposition 3.2, we know that $\gamma(\beta_n)$ has a positive lower bound, which implies $|\nabla u_{1,n}|_2^2 + |\nabla u_{2,n}|_2^2$ possesses a positive lower bound. Notice that $\frac{3(p_1-2)}{2} - 2 > 0$, we infer from Equation (3.3) that for $t_n > 1$, the following inequality holds:

$$|\nabla u_{1,n}|_2^2 + |\nabla u_{2,n}|_2^2 \geq t_n^{\frac{3(p_1-2)}{2}-2} (|\nabla u_{1,n}|_2^2 + |\nabla u_{2,n}|_2^2 - \frac{3(\beta_n - \beta)(r_1 + r_2 - 2)}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,n}|^{r_1} |u_{2,n}|^{r_2} dx).$$

This implies that t_n is bounded, thus completing the proof. \square

For any $\beta \geq 0$, $E_\beta(w_{a_1, \mu_1, p_1}, 0) = \ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1)$ and $E_\beta(0, w_{a_2, \mu_2, p_2}) = \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)$. So we have

$$\gamma(\beta) \leq \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)\}.$$

The proof of Theorem 1.1 (iii). We assume that $(u_1, u_2) \in \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2}$, where $u_1 \neq 0$ and $u_2 \neq 0$. According to Proposition 2.4, there exists a sequence t_n such that $t_n \star (u_1, u_2) \in \mathcal{M}_{\beta_n}$. Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} t_n^2(|\nabla u_1|_2^2 + |\nabla u_2|_2^2) &= t_n^{\frac{3(p_1-2)}{2}} \frac{3\mu_1(p_1-2)}{2p_1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{p_1} dx \\ &\quad + t_n^{\frac{3(p_2-2)}{2}} \frac{3\mu_2(p_2-2)}{2p_2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_2|^{p_2} dx \\ &\quad + t_n^{\frac{3(r_1+r_2-2)}{2}} \frac{3\beta_n(r_1+r_2-2)}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx. \end{aligned}$$

which implies $t_n \rightarrow 0$ as $\beta_n \rightarrow +\infty$. Since Lemma 2.2 and

$$\gamma(\beta_n) \leq E_{\beta_n}(t_n \star (u_1, u_2)) \leq \frac{1}{2} t_n^2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_1|^2 + |\nabla u_2|^2 dx,$$

we have $\gamma(\beta) \rightarrow 0$ as $\beta \rightarrow +\infty$. □

The proof of Theorem 1.1 (ii). Step 1: $\gamma(0) = \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)\}$.

Notice that

$$E_0(u_1, u_2) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_1|^2 + |\nabla u_2|^2 dx - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{\mu_1}{p_1} |u_1|^{p_1} + \frac{\mu_2}{p_2} |u_2|^{p_2} dx$$

and

$$\mathcal{M}_0 = \{(u_1, u_2) \neq \mathbf{0} \mid J_0(u_1, u_2) = |\nabla u_1|_2^2 + |\nabla u_2|_2^2 - \frac{3\mu_1(p_1-2)}{2p_1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{p_1} dx - \frac{3\mu_2(p_2-2)}{2p_2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_2|^{p_2} dx = 0\}.$$

Consequently,

$$\mathcal{M}_0 = \bigcup_{A \in \mathbb{R}} \{(u_1, u_2) \neq \mathbf{0} \mid \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_1|^2 - \frac{3\mu_1(p_1-2)}{2p_1} |u_1|^{p_1} dx = A, \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_2|^2 - \frac{3\mu_2(p_2-2)}{2p_2} |u_2|^{p_2} dx = -A\}$$

and $E_0(u_1, u_2) = (\frac{3\mu_1(p_1-2)}{4} - 1) \frac{\mu_1}{p_1} |u_1|^{p_1} + (\frac{3\mu_2(p_2-2)}{4} - 1) \frac{\mu_2}{p_2} |u_2|^{p_2}$ for $(u_1, u_2) \in \mathcal{M}_0$. Furthermore, let

$$\mathfrak{A} = \{(u_1, u_2) \neq \mathbf{0} \mid \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_1|^2 - \frac{3\mu_1(p_1-2)}{2p_1} |u_1|^{p_1} dx = A, \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_2|^2 - \frac{3\mu_2(p_2-2)}{2p_2} |u_2|^{p_2} dx = -A\},$$

and

$$\mathfrak{o} = \{(u_1, u_2) \neq \mathbf{0} \mid \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_1|^2 + \frac{3\mu_1(p_1-2)}{2p_1} |u_1|^{p_1} dx = 0, \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_2|^2 + \frac{3\mu_2(p_2-2)}{2p_2} |u_2|^{p_2} dx = 0\}.$$

We claim that

$$\inf_{(u_1, u_2) \in \mathfrak{o} \cap \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2}} E_0(u_1, u_2) = \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)\}$$

and

$$\inf_{(u_1, u_2) \in \mathfrak{A} \cap \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2}} E_0(u_1, u_2) \geq \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)\}.$$

Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} \inf_{(u_1, u_2) \in \mathfrak{o} \cap \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2}} E_0(u_1, u_2) &= \inf_{\mathcal{D}_{a_1} \cap \{u_1 \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \mid \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_1|^2 - \frac{3(p_1-2)\mu_1}{2p_1} |u_1|^{p_1} dx = 0\}} \left[\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_1|^2 dx - \frac{\mu_1}{p_1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{p_1} dx \right] \\ &\quad + \inf_{\mathcal{D}_{a_2} \cap \{u_2 \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \mid \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_2|^2 - \frac{3(p_2-2)\mu_2}{2p_2} |u_2|^{p_2} dx = 0\}} \left[\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_2|^2 dx - \frac{\mu_2}{p_2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_2|^{p_2} dx \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Since either $u_1 \neq 0$ or $u_2 \neq 0$, it follows that $\inf_{(u_1, u_2) \in \mathfrak{o}} E_0(u_1, u_2) = \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)\}$ according to [12, Lemma 2.8]. For a given $A > 0$, we define

$$\mathfrak{B} = \{u_2 \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \mid \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_2|^2 - \frac{3\mu_2(p_2-2)}{2p_2} |u_2|^{p_2} dx = -A\}$$

and

$$\mathfrak{C} = \{u_2 \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \setminus \{0\} \mid \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_2|^2 - \frac{3\mu_2(p_2-2)}{2p_2} |u_2|^{p_2} dx = 0\}.$$

For any $u_2 \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \setminus \{0\}$, we consider the functional

$$I(u_2^t) = t^2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_2|^2 dx - t^{\frac{3(p_2-2)}{2}} \frac{3\mu_2(p_2-2)}{2p_2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_2|^{p_2} dx,$$

which implies that \mathfrak{B} is homomorphic to \mathfrak{C} , and there exists $t(u) > 1$ such that $u^{t(u)} \in \mathfrak{B}$ for any $u \in \mathfrak{C}$. Consequently, we have $\inf_{(u_1, u_2) \in \mathfrak{A} \cap \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2}} E_0(u_1, u_2) \geq \inf_{u_2 \in \mathfrak{C} \cap \mathcal{D}_{a_2}} \left(\frac{3\mu_2(p_2-2)}{4} - 1 \right) t(u)^{\frac{3(p_2-2)}{2}} \frac{\mu_2}{p_2} |u_1|_{p_1}^{p_1} \geq \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)$. Similarly, for $A < 0$, we obtain $\inf_{(u_1, u_2) \in \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \cap \mathfrak{A}} E_0(u_1, u_2) \geq \ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1)$. Therefore, $\gamma(0) = \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)\}$.

According to Proposition 3.2, Theorem 1.1 (iii) and step 1, there exists $\tilde{\beta}$ such that

$$\gamma(\beta) = \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)\}$$

for $\beta \in [0, \tilde{\beta}]$ and $\gamma(\beta) < \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2)\}$ when $\beta \in (\tilde{\beta}, +\infty)$.

Step 2: $\gamma(\beta)$ is strictly decreasing on $(\tilde{\beta}, +\infty)$.

For any $\beta_0 > \tilde{\beta}$, according to Lemma 3.1, there exists $(u_{1,0}, u_{2,0}) \in \mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_{\beta_0}$ such that $\gamma(\beta_0) = E(u_{1,0}, u_{2,0})$. Similar to Proposition 3.2, we can infer $\gamma(\beta_0) > \gamma(\beta)$ for any $\beta > \beta_0$. \square

The proof of Theorem 1.2. From Lemma 2.7, Theorem 1.1 (ii) and Lemma 3.1, We have $\gamma(\beta)$ can be obtained by $(u_{1,\beta}, u_{2,\beta})$ in the set $\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta$ in the interval $\beta \in (\tilde{\beta}, +\infty)$. Furthermore, it follows from Lemma 2.5 that $\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta$ is a natural constraint. The combination of Lemma 3.1 and the maximum principles leads to the completion of the proof. \square

The proof of Theorem 1.4. Since $E_{\beta_n}(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) = \gamma(\beta_n)$ and $(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) \in \mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2} \cap \mathcal{M}_{\beta_n}$, it follows that $(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n})$ is bounded in $H^1(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R}^2)$. Notice that

$$E_\beta(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) = E_{\beta_n}(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) + (\beta_n - \beta) \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,n}|^{r_1} |u_{2,n}|^{r_2} dx.$$

We derive $E_\beta(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) \rightarrow \gamma(\beta)$ by Theorem 1.1 (i). Furthermore,

$$E_\beta|'_{\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2}}(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) = E_{\beta_n}|'_{\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2}}(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) + (\beta - \beta_n)(r_1 |u_{1,n}|^{r_1-2} u_{1,n} |u_{2,n}|^{r_2} + r_2 |u_{1,n}|^{r_1} |u_{2,n}|^{r_2-2} u_{2,n}).$$

Consequently, $E_\beta|'_{\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2}}(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) \rightarrow 0$ in $H^{-1}(\mathbb{R}^3)$. Notice that

$$J_\beta(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) = J_{\beta_n}(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) + \frac{3(\beta_n - \beta)(r_1 + r_2 - 2)}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,n}|^{r_1} |u_{2,n}|^{r_2} dx,$$

which means $J_\beta(\mathbf{u}_n) \rightarrow 0$.

Hence, $(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n})$ is a Palais-Smale consequence of E_β constrained $\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2}$ with $J_\beta(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) \rightarrow 0$. According to [18, Lemma 8.1], there exists a normalized ground state solution (u_1, u_2) satisfying $(u_{1,n}, u_{2,n}) \rightarrow (u_1, u_2)$, up to a subsequence. This completes the proof. \square

The proof of Theorem 1.6. We have

$$\lambda_1(\beta) = \frac{\mu_1 \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta}|^{p_1} dx + \beta r_1 \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta}|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta}|^{r_2} dx - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_{1,\beta}|^2 dx}{a_1^2}$$

and

$$\lambda_2(\beta) = \frac{\mu_2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{2,\beta}|^{p_2} dx + \beta r_2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{2,\beta}|^{r_2} |u_{1,\beta}|^{r_1} dx - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_{2,\beta}|^2 dx}{a_2^2}.$$

Hence,

$$\lambda_1(\beta)a_1^2 + \lambda_2(\beta)a_2^2 = \mu_1|u_{1,\beta}|_{p_1}^{p_1} + \mu_2|u_{2,\beta}|_{p_2}^{p_2} + \beta(r_1 + r_2) \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta}|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta}|^{r_2} dx - |\nabla u_{1,\beta}|_2^2 - |\nabla u_{2,\beta}|_2^2,$$

where $(u_{1,\beta}, u_{2,\beta}) \in \mathcal{M}_\beta$. we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1(\beta)a_1^2 + \lambda_2(\beta)a_2^2 &= (1 - \frac{3(p_1 - 2)}{2p_1})\mu_1|u_{1,\beta}|_{p_1}^{p_1} + (1 - \frac{3(p_2 - 2)}{2p_2})\mu_2|u_{2,\beta}|_{p_2}^{p_2} \\ &\quad + (r_1 + r_2 - \frac{3(r_1 + r_2 - 2)}{2})\beta \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta}|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta}|^{r_2} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Given that $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, r_1 + r_2 < 6$, it follows that $\lambda_1(\beta)a_1^2 + \lambda_2(\beta)a_2^2 > 0$, indicating that $\lambda_1(\beta) > 0$ or $\lambda_2(\beta) > 0$. Assume by contradiction that $\lambda_1(\beta) > 0$ and $\lambda_2(\beta) \leq 0$. We then have

$$-\Delta u_{2,\beta} = -\lambda_2 u_{2,\beta} + \mu_2|u_{2,\beta}|^{p_2-2}u_{2,\beta} + \beta r_2|u_{1,\beta}|^{r_1}|u_{2,\beta}|^{r_2-2}u_{2,\beta}.$$

According to Lemma 3.1, both $u_{1,\beta}$ and $u_{2,\beta}$ are non-negative, leading to $-\Delta u_{2,\beta} \geq 0$, which would imply $u_{2,\beta} = 0$. This is a contradiction. Consequently, $\lambda_1(\beta), \lambda_2(\beta) > 0$.

We can directly deduce (i) from Theorem 1.4. Moreover, Theorem 1.1 (iii) and Lemma 2.2 imply that $\gamma(\beta) \rightarrow 0$ as $\beta \rightarrow +\infty$, which in turn indicates that $|\nabla u_{1,\beta}|_2^2 \rightarrow 0$ and $|\nabla u_{2,\beta}|_2^2 \rightarrow 0$ as $\beta \rightarrow +\infty$. Notice that

$$\beta \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{2,\beta}|^{r_2} |u_{1,\beta}|^{r_1} dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_{1,\beta}|^2 + |\nabla u_{2,\beta}|^2 dx - \frac{3\mu_1(p_1 - 2)}{2p_1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta}|^{p_1} dx - \frac{3\mu_2(p_2 - 2)}{2p_2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{2,\beta}|^{p_2} dx,$$

we can establish (ii) by the Garliardo-Nirenberg inequality. \square

Lemma 3.3. Assume that $(u_{1,\beta}, u_{2,\beta}) \in K_\beta$ and $(u_{1,\beta_0}, u_{2,\beta_0}) \in K_{\beta_0}$, where $\beta, \beta_0 > \tilde{\beta}$. Let $t_0 \star (u_{1,\beta}, u_{2,\beta}) \in K_{\beta_0}$ and $t \star (u_{1,\beta_0}, u_{2,\beta_0}) \in K_\beta$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} E_\beta(u_{1,\beta}, u_{2,\beta}) &\leq (\beta_0 - \beta) \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta_0}^t|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta_0}^t|^{r_2} dx + E_{\beta_0}(u_{1,\beta_0}, u_{2,\beta_0}), \\ E_{\beta_0}(u_{1,\beta_0}, u_{2,\beta_0}) &\leq (\beta - \beta_0) \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta}^{t_0}|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta}^{t_0}|^{r_2} dx + E_\beta(u_{1,\beta}, u_{2,\beta}). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} E_\beta(u_{1,\beta}, u_{2,\beta}) &\leq E_\beta(t \star (u_{1,\beta_0}, u_{2,\beta_0})) \\ &= E_{\beta_0}(t \star (u_{1,\beta_0}, u_{2,\beta_0})) + (\beta_0 - \beta) \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta_0}^t|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta_0}^t|^{r_2} dx \\ &\leq (\beta_0 - \beta) \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta_0}^t|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta_0}^t|^{r_2} dx + E_{\beta_0}(u_{1,\beta_0}, u_{2,\beta_0}), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\beta_0}(u_{1,\beta_0}, u_{2,\beta_0}) &\leq E_{\beta_0}(u_{1,\beta}^{t_0}, u_{2,\beta}^{t_0}) \\ &= E_\beta(u_{1,\beta}^{t_0}, u_{2,\beta}^{t_0}) + (\beta - \beta_0) \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta}^{t_0}|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta}^{t_0}|^{r_2} dx \\ &\leq (\beta - \beta_0) \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta}^{t_0}|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta}^{t_0}|^{r_2} dx + E_\beta(u_{1,\beta}, u_{2,\beta}). \end{aligned}$$

\square

The proof of theorem 1.5. According to Lemma 3.3, we deduce that

$$(\beta_0 - \beta) \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta}^{t_0}|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta}^{t_0}|^{r_2} dx \leq \gamma(\beta) - \gamma(\beta_0) \leq (\beta_0 - \beta) \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta_0}^t|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta_0}^t|^{r_2} dx,$$

where $t_0 \star (u_{1,\beta}, u_{2,\beta})$ and $t \star (u_{1,\beta_0}, u_{2,\beta_0})$ are given in Lemma 3.3. By the definition of \mathcal{M}_β and Proposition 2.4, it follows that $t \rightarrow 1$ as $\beta \rightarrow \beta_0$.

First, assuming $\beta > \beta_0$, we obtain

$$- \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta}^{t_0}|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta}^{t_0}|^{r_2} dx \leq \frac{\gamma(\beta) - \gamma(\beta_0)}{\beta - \beta_0} \leq - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta_0}^t|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta_0}^t|^{r_2} dx.$$

On the one hand,

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{\beta \rightarrow \beta_0^+} \frac{\gamma(\beta) - \gamma(\beta_0)}{\beta - \beta_0} &\leq - \liminf_{\beta \rightarrow \beta_0^+} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta_0}^t|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta_0}^t|^{r_2} dx \\ &= - \liminf_{\beta \rightarrow \beta_0^+} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} t^{\frac{3(r_1+r_2-2)}{2}} |u_{1,\beta_0}|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta_0}|^{r_2} dx \\ &= - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta_0}|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta_0}|^{r_2} dx. \end{aligned}$$

From the arbitrariness of $(u_{1,\beta_0}, u_{2,\beta_0})$, we conclude

$$\limsup_{\beta \rightarrow \beta_0^+} \frac{\gamma(\beta) - \gamma(\beta_0)}{\beta - \beta_0} \leq -\hat{d}_1(\beta_0).$$

On the other hand,

$$\liminf_{\beta \rightarrow \beta_0^+} \frac{\gamma(\beta) - \gamma(\beta_0)}{\beta - \beta_0} \geq \liminf_{\beta \rightarrow \beta_0^+} - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta}^{t_0}|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta}^{t_0}|^{r_2} dx = - \limsup_{\beta \rightarrow \beta_0^+} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta}^{t_0}|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta}^{t_0}|^{r_2} dx.$$

By Theorem 1.4, there exists $(u_{1,0}, u_{2,0}) \in K_{\beta_0}$ such that

$$\limsup_{\beta \rightarrow \beta_0^+} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,\beta}^{t_0}|^{r_1} |u_{2,\beta}^{t_0}|^{r_2} dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,0}|^{r_1} |u_{2,0}|^{r_2} dx.$$

Therefore,

$$\liminf_{\beta \rightarrow \beta_0^+} \frac{\gamma(\beta) - \gamma(\beta_0)}{\beta - \beta_0} \geq - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,0}|^{r_1} |u_{2,0}|^{r_2} dx \geq -\hat{d}_1(\beta_0),$$

yielding $\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \beta_0^+} \frac{\gamma(\beta) - \gamma(\beta_0)}{\beta - \beta_0} = -\hat{d}_1(\beta_0)$.

Analogously, one can demonstrate that

$$\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \beta_0^-} \frac{\gamma(\beta) - \gamma(\beta_0)}{\beta - \beta_0} = -d_1(\beta_0).$$

Since $\gamma(\beta)$ is continuous and strictly decreasing, $\gamma(\beta)$ is differentiable almost everywhere in $\beta \in (\tilde{\beta}, +\infty)$. Consequently, we have $d_1(\beta) = \hat{d}_1(\beta) \Leftrightarrow \gamma(\beta)$ is differentiable at β and $\gamma'(\beta) = -d_1(\beta)$. \square

4 case: k=3

In this section, we demonstrate the existence of a normalized ground state solution for Equation (1.3) in the case where $k = 3$. We define $t \star (u_1, u_2, u_3) = (u_1^t, u_2^t, u_3^t) = (t^{\frac{3}{2}}u_1(tx), t^{\frac{3}{2}}u_2(tx), t^{\frac{3}{2}}u_3(tx))$ for $t > 0$. Following a similar argument to that of Proposition 3.2, we establish the following proposition.

Proposition 4.1. Suppose that $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, r_1 + r_2, r_1 + r_3, r_2 + r_3 < 6$ and $r_1, r_2, r_3 > 1$. Then, $\gamma_{123}(\beta)$ is monotonically non-increasing on the β_{ij}^+ -axis for $1 \leq i < j \leq 3$ where $\beta_{ij}^+ = \{\beta_{ij} | \beta_{ij} > 0\}$.

The proof of the Theorem 1.7 (i). We choose $\beta_0 = \{\beta_{12,0}, \beta_{13,0}, \beta_{23,0}\} \in \Xi$. $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ and $\beta = \{\beta_{12}, \beta_{13}, \beta_{23}\} \in B_\varepsilon(\beta_0) \cap \Xi$, there exists $\mathbf{u} = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\} \in \mathcal{M}_\beta$ such that $E_\beta(\mathbf{u}) < \gamma_{123}(\beta) + \varepsilon$, where $B_\varepsilon(\beta_0) = \{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^3 | |\beta_0 - \beta| < \varepsilon\}$.

Step 1: we demonstrate $\gamma_{123}(\beta_0) < \gamma_{123}(\beta) + \varepsilon$.

According to Proposition 2.4, there exists $t > 0$ such that $t \star \mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{M}_{\beta_0}$ and $\gamma_{123}(\beta_0) \leq E_{\beta_0}(t \star \mathbf{u})$, with $t = t(\mathbf{u})$. Notice that

$$(4.1) \quad \begin{aligned} E_{\beta_0}(t \star \mathbf{u}) &= E_\beta(t \star \mathbf{u}) + (\beta_{12} - \beta_{12,0})t^{\frac{3(r_1+r_2-2)}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx \\ &\quad + (\beta_{13} - \beta_{13,0})t^{\frac{3(r_1+r_3-2)}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_3|^{r_3} dx \\ &\quad + (\beta_{23} - \beta_{23,0})t^{\frac{3(r_2+r_3-2)}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_2|^{r_2} |u_3|^{r_3} dx \end{aligned}$$

and $E_\beta(t \star \mathbf{u}) < \gamma_{123}(\beta) + \varepsilon$.

Subsequently, we verify that $t(\mathbf{u})$, $\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx$, $\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_3|^{r_3} dx$ and $\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_2|^{r_2} |u_3|^{r_3} dx$ are bounded on \mathbb{R} for any $\beta \in B_\varepsilon(\beta_0) \cap \Xi$ and $\mathbf{u} \in \{\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_3} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta | E_\beta(\mathbf{u}) < \gamma_{123}(\beta) + \varepsilon\}$. Notice that $\gamma_{123}(\beta) \leq \ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1)$ and

$$(4.2) \quad \begin{aligned} E_\beta(\mathbf{u}) &= E_\beta(\mathbf{u}) - \frac{1}{2} J_\beta(\mathbf{u}) \\ &= \left(\frac{3(p_1-2)}{4} - 1\right) \frac{\mu_1}{p_1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{p_1} dx + \left(\frac{3(p_2-2)}{4} - 1\right) \frac{\mu_2}{p_2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_2|^{p_2} dx \\ &\quad + \left(\frac{3(p_3-2)}{4} - 1\right) \frac{\mu_3}{p_3} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_3|^{p_3} dx + \left(\frac{3(r_1+r_2-2)}{4} - 1\right) \beta_{12} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx \\ &\quad + \left(\frac{3(r_1+r_3-2)}{4} - 1\right) \beta_{13} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_3|^{r_3} dx + \left(\frac{3(r_2+r_3-2)}{4} - 1\right) \beta_{23} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_2|^{r_2} |u_3|^{r_3} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx$, $\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_3|^{r_3} dx$ and $\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_2|^{r_2} |u_3|^{r_3} dx$ are bounded due to $\frac{3(p_j-2)}{4} - 1, \frac{3(r_i+r_j-2)}{4} - 1 > 0$, where $1 \leq i < j \leq 3$. On the other hand, similar to the argument with Theorem 1.1 (i), we can prove $t(\mathbf{u})$ is bounded.

Finally, we conclude that for all $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $\gamma_{123}(\beta_0) < \gamma_{123}(\beta) + \varepsilon$ for any $\beta \in B_\delta(\beta_0) \cap \Xi$.

Step 2: we prove $\gamma_{123}(\beta) < \gamma_{123}(\beta_0) + \varepsilon$.

$\forall \varepsilon > 0$, there exist $\mathbf{u}_0 = \{u_{1,0}, u_{2,0}, u_{3,0}\}$ and $t > 0$ such that $E_{\beta_0}(\mathbf{u}_0) < \gamma_{123}(\beta_0) + \varepsilon$ and $\mathbf{u}_0^t \in \mathcal{M}_\beta$. Notice that

$$(4.3) \quad \begin{aligned} \gamma_{123}(\beta) &\leq E_\beta(\mathbf{u}_0^t) = E_{\beta_0}(\mathbf{u}_0^t) + (\beta_{12,0} - \beta_{12})t^{\frac{3(r_1+r_2-2)}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,0}|^{r_1} |u_{2,0}|^{r_2} dx \\ &\quad + (\beta_{13,0} - \beta_{13})t^{\frac{3(r_1+r_3-2)}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{1,0}|^{r_1} |u_{3,0}|^{r_3} dx \\ &\quad + (\beta_{23,0} - \beta_{23})t^{\frac{3(r_2+r_3-2)}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_{2,0}|^{r_2} |u_{3,0}|^{r_3} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Similar to the argument with Theorem 1.1 (i), we can prove $t = t(\beta)$ is bounded. Thus we complete the proof. \square

The proof of Theorem 1.7 (ii). The proof resembles that of Theorem 1.1 (iii), and thus, we omit the details here. \square

The proof of Theorem 1.7 (iii). Firstly, we demonstrate that $\gamma_{123}(\beta_{12}, 0, 0) = \gamma_{12}(\beta_{12})$. We have

$$E_{\beta_{12}, 0, 0} = \sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_j|^2 dx - \sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{\mu_j}{p_j} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_j|^{p_j} dx - \beta_{12} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{\beta_{12}, 0, 0} = \{ (u_1, u_2, u_3) \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R}^3) \setminus \{0\} \mid & \sum_{j=1}^3 \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_j|^2 dx - \sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{3\mu_j(p_j - 2)}{2p_j} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_j|^{p_j} dx \\ & - \frac{3\beta_{12}(r_1 + r_2 - 2)}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx = 0 \}. \end{aligned}$$

We define

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{N}_A = \{ (u_1, u_2, u_3) \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R}^3) \setminus \{0\} \mid & \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_1|^2 + |\nabla u_2|^2 dx - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{3\mu_1(p_1 - 2)}{2p_1} |u_1|^{p_1} - \frac{3\mu_2(p_2 - 2)}{2p_2} |u_2|^{p_2} dx \\ & - \frac{3\beta_{12}(r_1 + r_2 - 2)}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx = A, \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_3|^2 - \frac{3\mu_3(p_3 - 2)}{2p_3} |u_3|^{p_3} dx = -A \}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have

$$\mathcal{M}_{(\beta_{12}, 0, 0)} = \bigcup_{A \in \mathbb{R}} \mathcal{N}_A,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} E_{(\beta_{12}, 0, 0)}(u_1, u_2, u_3) = & \left(\frac{3(p_1 - 2)}{4} - 1 \right) \frac{\mu_1}{p_1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{p_1} dx + \left(\frac{3(p_2 - 2)}{4} - 1 \right) \frac{\mu_2}{p_2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_2|^{p_2} dx \\ & + \left(\frac{3(p_3 - 2)}{4} - 1 \right) \frac{\mu_3}{p_3} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_3|^{p_3} dx + \left(\frac{3(r_1 + r_2 - 2)}{4} - 1 \right) \beta_{12} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx \end{aligned}$$

for $(u_1, u_2, u_3) \in \mathcal{M}_{(\beta_{12}, 0, 0)}$. We claim that

$$\inf_{(u_1, u_2, u_3) \in \mathcal{N}_0 \cap \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_3}} E_{(\beta_{12}, 0, 0)}(u_1, u_2, u_3) = \gamma_{12}(\beta_{12})$$

and

$$\inf_{(u_1, u_2, u_3) \in \mathcal{N}_A \cap \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_3}} E_{(\beta_{12}, 0, 0)}(u_1, u_2) \geq \gamma_{12}(\beta_{12}).$$

We define

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Q}_0 = \{ (u_1, u_2) \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R}^2) \setminus \{0\} \mid & \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_1|^2 + |\nabla u_2|^2 dx - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{3\mu_1(p_1 - 2)}{2p_1} |u_1|^{p_1} - \frac{3\mu_2(p_2 - 2)}{2p_2} |u_2|^{p_2} dx \\ & - \frac{3\beta_{12}(r_1 + r_2 - 2)}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx = 0 \} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\mathcal{P}_0 = \{ u_3 \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \setminus \{0\} \mid \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla u_3|^2 - \frac{3\mu_3(p_3 - 2)}{2p_3} |u_3|^{p_3} dx = 0 \}$$

Notice that

$$\begin{aligned}
\inf_{(u_1, u_2, u_3) \in \mathcal{N}_0 \cap \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_3}} E_{(\beta_{12}, 0, 0)}(u_1, u_2, u_3) &= \left[\inf_{\mathcal{Q}_0 \cap \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2}} \left(\frac{3(p_1 - 2)}{4} - 1 \right) \frac{\mu_1}{p_1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{p_1} dx \right. \\
&\quad + \left(\frac{3(p_2 - 2)}{4} - 1 \right) \frac{\mu_1}{p_1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_2|^{p_2} dx \\
&\quad + \left(\frac{3(r_1 + r_2 - 2)}{4} - 1 \right) \beta_{12} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_1|^{r_1} |u_2|^{r_2} dx \Big] \\
&\quad + \inf_{\mathcal{P}_0 \cap \mathcal{D}_{a_3}} \left(\frac{3(p_3 - 2)}{4} - 1 \right) \frac{\mu_3}{p_3} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_3|^{p_3} dx.
\end{aligned}$$

By considering the cases when either $(u_1, u_2) \neq \mathbf{0}$ or $u_3 \neq 0$, we obtain

$$\inf_{(u_1, u_2, u_3) \in \mathcal{N}_0 \cap \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_3}} E_{(\beta_{12}, 0, 0)}(u_1, u_2, u_3) = \gamma_{12}(\beta_{12})$$

since $\ell(a_3, \mu_3, p_3) \geq \ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1)$.

For any $A \in \mathbb{R}$, we assume $A > 0$. We can make same argument with Theorem 1.1 (ii) to obtain

$$\inf_{(u_1, u_2, u_3) \in \mathcal{N}_A \cap \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_3}} E_{\beta_{12}, 0, 0}(u_1, u_2, u_3) \geq \inf_{u \in \mathcal{P}_0 \cap \mathcal{D}_{a_3}} t(u)^{\frac{3(p_3 - 2)}{2}} \frac{3\mu_3(p_3 - 2)}{2p_3} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |u_3|^{p_3} dx \geq \ell(a_3, \mu_3, p_3),$$

where $t(u) \geq 1$. For any $A < 0$, we have

$$\inf_{(u_1, u_2, u_3) \in \mathcal{N}_A \cap \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_3}} E_{\beta_{12}, 0, 0}(u_1, u_2, u_3) \geq \gamma_{12}(\beta_{12}).$$

Similarly, The other two formulas also can be showed. We complete the proof. \square

The proof of Theorem 1.8 (i). We assume, for simplicity, that $1 < r_1 < 2$. For a fixed $\beta_{12} > 0$, it follows from Theorem 1.7 (i), (ii), (iii) and Proposition 4.1 that there exists unbounded, simply connected open subset $\Gamma_1(\beta_{12}) = \{(\beta_{13}, \beta_{23}) | \gamma_{123}(\beta_{12}, \beta_{13}, \beta_{23}) < \gamma_{12}(\beta_{12})\}$ with respect to $\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+$. Analogously, for a fixed $\beta_{13} > 0$, there exists unbounded simply connected open subset $\Gamma_2(\beta_{13}) = \{(\beta_{12}, \beta_{23}) | \gamma_{123}(\beta_{12}, \beta_{13}, \beta_{23}) < \gamma_{13}(\beta_{13})\}$ with respect to $\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+$. By imitating the proof of [18, Theorem 7.2], we obtain $\gamma_{123}(\beta_{12}, \beta_{13}, \beta_{23}) < \gamma_{23}(\beta_{23})$ provided $\beta_{23} > \bar{\beta}_{23}$ and $(\beta_{12}, \beta_{13}) \neq (0, 0)$. Consequently, for any $(\beta_{12}, \beta_{13}) \neq (0, 0)$, there exists some $\hat{\beta}_{23}$ such that $(\beta_{12}, \beta_{13}, \beta_{23}) \in \Omega$ for $\beta_{23} > \hat{\beta}_{23}$. Furthermore, according to Theorem 1.7 (i), (ii), Ω is demonstrated to be an unbounded, simply connected open subset of Ξ . We complete the proof. \square

Lemma 4.2. Assume that $\frac{10}{3} < p_1, p_2, p_3, r_1 + r_2, r_1 + r_3, r_2 + r_3 < 6$, $r_1, r_2, r_3 > 1$ and $\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1) = \min\{\ell(a_1, \mu_1, p_1), \ell(a_2, \mu_2, p_2), \ell(a_3, \mu_3, p_3)\}$. If $\gamma_{123}(\beta) \in \Omega$, then for any $\mathbf{u} \in (\mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_3} \setminus \mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_3}) \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta$, there holds

$$\inf_{\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_3} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta} E_\beta < E_\beta(\mathbf{u}).$$

Proof. Suppose by contradiction that there exists $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, u_3) \in \mathcal{D}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_2} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_3} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta$ such that $\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} u_1^2 dx < a_1$ and $\gamma_{123}(\beta) = E_\beta(\mathbf{u}) \leq \inf_{\mathcal{S}_{a_1} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_2} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_3} \cap \mathcal{M}_\beta} E_\beta$. We assert that $u_1 \neq 0$. If not, we could assume $u_1 = 0$. Then $\gamma_{123}(\beta) = \inf_{\mathcal{D}_{a_2} \times \mathcal{D}_{a_3} \cap \mathcal{M}_{\beta_{23}}} E_{\beta_{23}}(u_2, u_3) \geq \gamma_{23}(\beta_{23})$, which is a contradiction.

Aualogous to the argument in Lemma 3.1, we can conclude that $u_1 \in \mathcal{S}_{a_1}$. Similarly, $(u_2, u_3) \in \mathcal{S}_{a_2} \times \mathcal{S}_{a_3}$. This completes the proof. \square

The proof of Theorem 1.8 (ii). Combining Theorem 1.7 with Lemma 4.2 and be similar to Theorem 1.2, we can derive the result. \square

The proof of Theorem 1.10. The proof is similar to the one of Theorem 1.4, so we omit details. \square

The proof of Theorem 1.11. The proof is quite similar to the one of Theorem 1.5 and we ignore details. \square

The proof of Theorem 1.12 . The proof is similar to the one of Theorem 1.6, so we omit details. \square

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