

Electronic Spin Susceptibility Enhancement in Pauli Limited Unconventional Superconductors

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HAMILTONIAN

The matrix representation ($\mathcal{H} = \bar{\Psi}\hat{\mathcal{H}}\Psi$) of the Hamiltonian of interest is:

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}} = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_{\mathbf{k}-}\sigma^0 - e_z\sigma^z & \Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(i\sigma^y) & m_{\mathbf{q}}^*(\sigma^m)^\dagger & 0 \\ -\Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}^*(i\sigma^y) & -(\xi_{-\mathbf{k}-}\sigma^0 - e_z\sigma^z) & 0 & -m_{\mathbf{q}}^*((\sigma^m)^T)^\dagger \\ m_{\mathbf{q}}\sigma^m & 0 & \xi_{\mathbf{k}+}\sigma^0 - e_z\sigma^z & \Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}(i\sigma^y) \\ 0 & -m_{\mathbf{q}}(\sigma^m)^T & -\Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}^*(i\sigma^y) & -(\xi_{-\mathbf{k}+}\sigma^0 - e_z\sigma^z) \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$\Psi^\dagger = \left[c_{\mathbf{k}-\uparrow}^\dagger, c_{\mathbf{k}-\downarrow}^\dagger, c_{-\mathbf{k}-\uparrow}, c_{-\mathbf{k}-\downarrow}, c_{\mathbf{k}+\uparrow}^\dagger, c_{\mathbf{k}+\downarrow}^\dagger, c_{-\mathbf{k}+\uparrow}, c_{-\mathbf{k}+\downarrow} \right] \quad (2)$$

Where $\mathbf{k}\pm = \mathbf{k} \pm \mathbf{q}/2$, and σ^i are the pauli spin matrices with $\sigma^0 = \mathcal{I}$ and $\sigma^m = \sigma \cdot \hat{m}$. The Zeeman energy splitting for electrons is $e_z = \mu_e H_0$, with a resulting spectral gap of $2e_z$. Now we fix the magnetic response to be transverse to the large applied field H_0 , so that $\sigma^m = \sigma^x$, which is degenerate with $\sigma^m = \sigma^y$. The eigenvalues of this matrix can be found by finding the roots of the characteristic polynomial:

$$\lambda^4 + p\lambda^2 + q\lambda + r = 0 \quad (3)$$

where we have used the following definitions

$$p = -(\Sigma_{\mathbf{k}-}^2 + \Sigma_{\mathbf{k}+}^2) \quad (4)$$

$$q = \pm 2e_z(E_{\mathbf{k}-}^2 - E_{\mathbf{k}+}^2) \quad (5)$$

$$r = E_{\mathbf{k}-}^2 E_{\mathbf{k}+}^2 - 2m^2 E_q^2 + m^4 \quad (6)$$

$$\Sigma_{\mathbf{k}}^2 = \xi_{\mathbf{k}}^2 + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}}^2 + e_z^2 + m_{\mathbf{q}}^2 \quad (7)$$

$$E_{\mathbf{k}}^2 = \xi_{\mathbf{k}}^2 + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}}^2 - e_z^2 \quad (8)$$

$$E_{\mathbf{q}}^2 = \xi_{\mathbf{k}-}\xi_{\mathbf{k}+} + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}\Delta_{\mathbf{k}+} - e_z^2 \quad (9)$$

The corresponding eigenvectors are:

$$\Psi^+ = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_{\mathbf{k}+} + \frac{(-(\Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}\Delta_{\mathbf{k}+} - m_{\mathbf{q}}^2) - (-e_z - \xi_{\mathbf{k}-} - \lambda)(e_z - \xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \lambda))(e_z + \xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \lambda)}{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}(-e_z - \xi_{\mathbf{k}-} - \lambda) + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(e_z + \xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \lambda)} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -\frac{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(-e_z^2 + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}^2 + \xi_{\mathbf{k}+}^2 + 2e_z\lambda - \lambda^2) - \Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}m_{\mathbf{q}}^2}{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}(-e_z - \xi_{\mathbf{k}-} - \lambda) + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(e_z + \xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \lambda)} \\ 0 \\ \frac{m_{\mathbf{q}}[(\Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}\Delta_{\mathbf{k}+} - m_{\mathbf{q}}^2) + (-e_z - \xi_{\mathbf{k}-} - \lambda)(e_z - \xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \lambda)]}{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}(-e_z - \xi_{\mathbf{k}-} - \lambda) + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(e_z + \xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \lambda)} \\ m_{\mathbf{q}} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (10)$$

$$\Psi^- = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -\Delta_{\mathbf{k}+} - \frac{(-(\Delta_{\mathbf{k}-} - \Delta_{\mathbf{k}+} - m_{\mathbf{q}}^2) - (e_z - \xi_{\mathbf{k}-} - \lambda)(-e_z - \xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \lambda))(-e_z + \xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \lambda)}{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}(e_z - \xi_{\mathbf{k}-} - \lambda) + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(-e_z + \xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \lambda)} \\ \frac{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}(e_z - \xi_{\mathbf{k}-} - \lambda) + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(-e_z + \xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \lambda)}{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}(e_z - \xi_{\mathbf{k}-} - \lambda) + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(-e_z + \xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \lambda)} \\ -\frac{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(-e_z^2 + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}^2 + \xi_{\mathbf{k}+}^2 - 2e_z\lambda - \lambda^2) - \Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}m_{\mathbf{q}}^2}{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}(e_z - \xi_{\mathbf{k}-} - \lambda) + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(-e_z + \xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \lambda)} \\ 0 \\ \frac{-m_{\mathbf{q}}[(\Delta_{\mathbf{k}-} - \Delta_{\mathbf{k}+} - m_{\mathbf{q}}^2) + (e_z - \xi_{\mathbf{k}-} - \lambda)(-e_z - \xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \lambda)]}{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}(e_z - \xi_{\mathbf{k}-} - \lambda) + \Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(-e_z + \xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \lambda)} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ m_{\mathbf{q}} \end{bmatrix} \quad (11)$$

For $q = 2e_z(E_{\mathbf{k}-}^2 - E_{\mathbf{k}+}^2)$ and $q = -2e_z(E_{\mathbf{k}-}^2 - E_{\mathbf{k}+}^2)$ respectively, where λ_i is a root of the corresponding polynomial from (??).

$$\psi_i^+ = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_{\mathbf{k}+} - \frac{(E_{\mathbf{q}}^2 - m_{\mathbf{q}}^2 + e_z(\xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \xi_{\mathbf{k}-}) + \lambda_i(\xi_{\mathbf{k}+} + \xi_{\mathbf{k}-}) + \lambda_i^2)(\xi_{\mathbf{k}+} + e_z - \lambda_i)}{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(\xi_{\mathbf{k}+} + e_z - \lambda_i) - \Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}(\xi_{\mathbf{k}-} + e_z + \lambda_i)} \\ \frac{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(E_{\mathbf{k}+}^2 + 2e_z\lambda_i - \lambda_i^2) - \Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}m_{\mathbf{q}}^2}{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(\xi_{\mathbf{k}+} + e_z - \lambda_i) - \Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}(\xi_{\mathbf{k}-} + e_z + \lambda_i)} \\ \frac{m_{\mathbf{q}}[E_{\mathbf{q}}^2 - m_{\mathbf{q}}^2 + e_z(\xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \xi_{\mathbf{k}-}) + \lambda_i(\xi_{\mathbf{k}+} + \xi_{\mathbf{k}-}) + \lambda_i^2]}{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(\xi_{\mathbf{k}+} + e_z - \lambda_i) - \Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}(\xi_{\mathbf{k}-} + e_z + \lambda_i)} \\ m_{\mathbf{q}} \end{bmatrix} \quad (12)$$

$$\psi^- = \begin{bmatrix} -\Delta_{\mathbf{k}+} + \frac{(E_{\mathbf{q}} - m_{\mathbf{q}}^2 - e_z(\xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \xi_{\mathbf{k}-}) + \lambda_i(\xi_{\mathbf{k}+} + \xi_{\mathbf{k}-}) + \lambda_i^2)(\xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - e_z - \lambda_i)}{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(\xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - e_z - \lambda_i) - \Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}(\xi_{\mathbf{k}-} - e_z + \lambda_i)} \\ \frac{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(E_{\mathbf{k}+}^2 - 2e_z\lambda_i - \lambda_i^2) - \Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}m_{\mathbf{q}}^2}{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(\xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - e_z - \lambda_i) - \Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}(\xi_{\mathbf{k}-} - e_z + \lambda_i)} \\ -\frac{m_{\mathbf{q}}[E_{\mathbf{q}}^2 - m_{\mathbf{q}}^2 - e_z(\xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - \xi_{\mathbf{k}-}) + \lambda_i(\xi_{\mathbf{k}+} + \xi_{\mathbf{k}-}) + \lambda_i^2]}{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}-}(\xi_{\mathbf{k}+} - e_z - \lambda_i) - \Delta_{\mathbf{k}+}(\xi_{\mathbf{k}-} - e_z + \lambda_i)} \\ m_{\mathbf{q}} \end{bmatrix} \quad (13)$$

These vectors can be written as two different sets of four vectors corresponding to the basis states

$$[c_{\mathbf{k}-\uparrow}^\dagger, c_{-\mathbf{k}-\downarrow}, c_{\mathbf{k}+\downarrow}^\dagger, c_{-\mathbf{k}+\uparrow}] \quad (14)$$

and

$$[c_{\mathbf{k}-\downarrow}^\dagger, c_{-\mathbf{k}-\uparrow}, c_{\mathbf{k}+\uparrow}^\dagger, c_{-\mathbf{k}+\downarrow}] \quad (15)$$

Now we can write the matrix which transforms to these new basis states $\Gamma = \{\Psi_i^+, \Psi_i^-\}$, $\mathcal{D}\Psi = \Gamma$ with operators $\gamma_{\mathbf{k},i}^\pm$:

$$\mathcal{D}^+ = \begin{bmatrix} (\psi_1^+)^\dagger \\ (\psi_2^+)^\dagger \\ (\psi_3^+)^\dagger \\ (\psi_4^+)^\dagger \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{D}^- = \begin{bmatrix} (\psi_1^-)^\dagger \\ (\psi_2^-)^\dagger \\ (\psi_3^-)^\dagger \\ (\psi_4^-)^\dagger \end{bmatrix} \quad (16)$$

$$[\gamma_{\mathbf{k}-1}^\dagger, \gamma_{-\mathbf{k}-2}, \gamma_{\mathbf{k}+3}^\dagger, \gamma_{-\mathbf{k}+4}] \quad (17)$$

and

$$[\gamma_{\mathbf{k}-1}^\dagger, \gamma_{-\mathbf{k}-2}, \gamma_{\mathbf{k}+3}^\dagger, \gamma_{-\mathbf{k}+4}] \quad (18)$$

By computing the inverse of \mathcal{D} we can find the old operators in terms of the new to use in the self consistent calculation for Δ and $m_{\mathbf{q}}$.

We also wish to calculate the free energy (F) in this new mixed state $F = -T \ln(Z)$ where Z is the partition function for the diagonal Hamiltonian ($\mathcal{H} = \sum_i \lambda_i \gamma_i^\dagger \gamma_i$):

$$Z = \text{Tr} \left(e^{-\beta(\mathcal{H} - \mu N)} \right) \quad (19)$$

$$\Pi_{\mathbf{k},i} \left(1 + e^{-\beta \lambda_{\mathbf{k},i}} \right) \quad (20)$$

$$F = -T \sum_{\mathbf{k},i} \ln(1 + e^{-\beta \lambda_{\mathbf{k},i}}) \quad (21)$$

CHARACTERISTIC POLYNOMIAL

- Add and subtract $\lambda^2 u + u^2/4$

$$\lambda^4 + p\lambda^2 + q\lambda + r \quad (22)$$

$$= (\lambda^2 + \frac{u}{2})^2 - ((u-p)\lambda^2 - q\lambda + (\frac{u^2}{4} - r)) \quad (23)$$

$$= (\lambda^2 + \frac{u}{2})^2 - (u-p) \left(\lambda^2 - \frac{q}{u-p}\lambda + \frac{\frac{u^2}{4} - r}{u-p} \right) \quad (24)$$

$$= (\lambda^2 + \frac{u}{2})^2 - (u-p) \left(\lambda^2 - \frac{q}{u-p}\lambda + \frac{\frac{u^2}{4} - r}{u-p} \right) \quad (25)$$

$$P = (\lambda^2 + \frac{u}{2}) \quad (26)$$

$$Q = \sqrt{u-p} \left(\lambda - \frac{q}{2(u-p)} \right) \quad (27)$$

Which requires

$$\frac{q}{2(u-p)} = \sqrt{\frac{u^2/4 - r}{u-p}} \quad (28)$$

$$q^2/4 = (u-p)(u^2/4 - r) \quad (29)$$

$$q^2/4 = u^3/4 - pu^2/4 - ru + rp \quad (30)$$

$$0 = u^3 - pu^2 - 4ru + (4rp - q^2) \quad (31)$$

Now we get $\lambda^4 + p\lambda^2 + q\lambda + r = (P+Q)(P-Q) = P^2 - Q^2$ for a certain u which satisfies the resolvent cubic (above,

only need one root) We can find the solutions to the cubic exactly by the following method:

1) write above as $u^3 + c_2 u^2 + c_1 u + c_0$

$$c_2 = -p$$

$$c_1 = -4r$$

$$c_0 = 4rp - q^2$$

2) define $u = z - c_2/3$ to get $z^2 + a_1 z = a_0$

$$a_1 = c_1 - c_2^2/3$$

$$a_0 = c_1 c_2/3 - c_0 - 2c_2^3/27$$

3) define $z = w - a_1/(3w)$ to get $(w^3)^2 - a_0 w^3 - a_1^3/27 = 0$

The solutions to w are:

$$w = \sqrt[3]{\frac{a_0}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{a_0}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{a_1^3}{27}}} \quad (32)$$

The corresponding solutions to u are:

$$u = w - a_1/(3w) - c_2/3 \quad (33)$$

Plug in u and solve for roots of $P \pm Q$:

$$\lambda^2 \pm \sqrt{u-p}\lambda + \frac{1}{2} \left(u \mp \sqrt{u^2 - 4r} \right) \quad (34)$$

$$\lambda = \pm \frac{\sqrt{u-p}}{2} \{ \pm \} \sqrt{\frac{|u-p|}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \left(u \pm \sqrt{u^2 - 4r} \right)} \quad (35)$$