



An effective mean field theory for the coexistence of anti-ferromagnetism and superconductivity: Applications to iron-based superconductors and cold Bose–Fermi atomic mixtures



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ABSTRACT

We study an effective fermion model on a square lattice to investigate the cooperation and competition of superconductivity and anti-ferromagnetism. In addition to particle tunneling and on-site interaction, a bosonic excitation mediated attractive interaction is also included in the model. We assume that the attractive interaction is mediated by spin fluctuations and excitations of Bose–Einstein condensation (BEC) in electronic systems and Bose–Fermi mixtures on optical lattices, respectively. Using an effective mean-field theory to treat both superconductivity and anti-ferromagnetism at equal footing, we study a single effective model relevant for both systems within the Landau energy functional approach and a linearized theory. Within our approaches, we find possible co-existence of superconductivity and anti-ferromagnetism for both electronic and cold-atomic models. Our linearized theory shows while spin fluctuations favor d-wave superconductivity and BEC excitations favor s-wave superconductivity.

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1. Introduction

The phenomenon of superconductivity has been an important and rich topic in physics since 1911 when Kamerlingh Onnes discovered that the resistivity of mercury abruptly dropped to zero when it was cooled below 4 K [1]. Over the years, a number of superconducting compounds were found or grown with higher critical temperatures. The highest critical temperature achieved in this class of conventional superconductors was 40 K in magnesium diboride [2]. If one can maintain this resistanceless superconducting state at room temperature, society would obtain huge economic benefits as these compounds can be used to store and transport energy without dissipation. In metal, even though electrons are free to move and provide electrical conduction, energy dissipation occurs due to the resistance coming from electron collisions, lattice vibrations, impurities, and defects. The resistanceless state of these conventional superconductors is explained by the celebrated BCS theory developed by Bardeen, Cooper, and Schrieffer in 1957 [3]. According to the BCS theory, two electrons with equal and opposite speed bind together due to the attractive interaction mediated by the electron–phonon interaction. These bound pairs are called

Cooper pairs. As the Cooper pairs are composite bosons, made out of two fermions, Bose–Einstein condensation of these pairs at low temperatures gives resistanceless flow.

The discovery of cuprate superconductors in 1986 by Bednorz and Muller [4] has renovated the interest of superconductivity as these compounds have quite high critical temperatures so they may be useful in practical applications. Immediately after this discovery, several other cuprate superconducting compounds with higher critical temperatures were found [5–8]. Cuprates are considered to be quasi-two dimensional checkerboard lattice materials as the electrons are moving within weakly coupled copper-oxide layers. The highest critical temperature of cuprates at ambient pressure so far is 135 K in mercury barium calcium copper oxide [8]. Then the surprising discovery of iron-based superconductors in 2008 has led to a flurry of activities in the field as these compounds provide more puzzles than answers to the questions of unconventional superconductivity [9]. The critical temperatures of iron-based superconductors are in between that of conventional superconductors and cuprates. The iron based superconductors share some common features with the cuprates. Both are layered materials with 3d-electrons. Iron-based superconductors contain layers of iron and pnictogen (arsenic or phosphorus) or chalcogen. Both cuprates and iron based superconductors require chemical or external doping to induce the superconductivity. One of the main differences between these two types of compounds is that the orbital degrees of freedom associate with the Fe-ion in iron-based

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superconductors. Iron based superconductors are essentially multi-orbital systems so that the electron occupation of the *d*-orbital must be taken into account. In contrast, cuprates can be treated as single orbital systems as the crystal field splitting of *d*-orbital and valence electronic occupation restrict one hole in the upper most *d*-orbital.

For both cuprates and iron-pnictides, critical temperatures are too high to be explained by conventional BCS theory. Therefore, the effective interaction for electron pairing must be mediated by excitations rather than conventional phonons. Though it is not completely convincing, there is a general consensus that magnetic or spin fluctuations play the role as the pairing mechanism for these compounds [10]. However, the role of magnetism, the nature of chemical and structural influence, and the pairing symmetry of the electrons are not completely understood. It has been shown that the *s*-wave pairing is suppressed by ferromagnetic spin fluctuations [11]. However, *p*-wave pairing can be enhanced by the ferromagnetic spin fluctuations [12]. In both cuprate and pnictide superconductors, the superconductivity always appears in proximity to anti-ferromagnetic (AFM) order or they co-exist in some compounds upon chemical doping. This indicates that the Cooper pairing may be mediated by anti-ferromagnetic fluctuations.

The purpose of this paper is to study the interplay between induced interactions and superconductivity, as well as the competition or cooperation of anti-ferromagnetism and superconductivity. For this purpose, we study both high-temperature superconducting materials and cold atoms in optical lattices. Cold atoms on optical lattices can be considered as quantum simulators for condensed matter electronic systems. One important advantage of using optical lattices to probe fundamental condensed-matter physics problems is that the geometry, dimensionality, and the interaction parameters are under complete control in current experimental setups [13–15]. This high degree of tunability and controllability offers a remarkable opportunity to understand and fully explore the quantum mechanical treatment of cold atomic systems whose behavior is governed by the same underlying many body physics as the materials. In this paper, in addition to the layered high-temperature compounds, we consider a mixture of bosons and two-component fermions in a two-dimensional optical lattice. In experiments, atoms are trapped by combined harmonic trapping and periodic laser potentials. The periodic potentials are created by the interference patterns of intersecting laser beams, and the geometry of the lattice structure can be controlled by the arrangements of the counter propagating lasers. Bose–Fermi mixtures have already been trapped and experimentally studied by several groups [16–27]. A Bose–Fermi mixture, such as a mixture of ^{41}K and two hyperfine states of ^6Li or a mixture of $^6\text{Li}^{40}\text{K}$ bosonic molecule and fermionic species ^{40}K and ^6Li is an example of two-component Fermions and single-component bosons system we study here. Such systems have already been experimentally realized in different settings [28–31]. For high-temperature materials, such as cuprates and pnictides, we assume that the effective interaction is caused by spin fluctuations [32,33]. For the Bose–Fermi mixture, we assume that the effective attractive interaction is mediated by the density fluctuations of the bosonic atoms [34–36]. In both cases, the Cooper pairing between Fermi particles can take place due to these boson mediated attractive interactions.

The interplay between superconductivity and anti-ferromagnetism has been investigated in the context of cuprates, organic superconductors, heavy fermion systems [37–42], and iron based superconductors [43–49]. Using a combination of renormalization group and mean-field theory, the competition and coexistence of *d*-wave superconductivity and antiferromagnetism in the ground state of the two-dimensional Hubbard model has been studied in the context of the cuprates recently [57,58]. The results of this

study is in good agreement with the early findings from the dynamical mean field theoretical studies of the ground state of Hubbard model [59–62]. In this work, we develop a simple mean field theory to understand the qualitative physics of the finite temperature coexistence of super conductivity and anti-ferromagnetism relevant for a electronic system and a Bose–Fermi atomic mixture on optical lattices.

The study of anti-ferromagnetism and superconductivity in a lattice model discussed here is somewhat complementary to early studies [38,50,51] and recent studies related to cold atoms [52–56]. However, unlike those studies which assume a generic form of interaction, here we treat explicit momentum dependent interaction relevant for both Bose–Fermi mixtures on optical lattices and related electronic model for iron-based superconductors. Further, we treat both *s*-wave and *d*-wave superconducting symmetries at equal footing with their interplay between anti-ferromagnetism. In addition, we point out how one can control the anti-ferromagnetic phase transition to be below or above the superconducting phase transition by controlling the boson density in Bose–Fermi mixtures. In order to study the interplay between superconductivity and anti-ferromagnetism, we develop an effective mean-field theory for an effective fermionic Hamiltonian relevant for both electronic compounds and Bose–Fermi mixtures on two-dimensional lattices. First, we investigate the phase diagram using the Landau energy functional and derive coefficients of this energy functional within our mean-field theory. Second, we study the phase transition by solving the linearized gap equations. For both electronic and atomic systems, we find simultaneous existence of superconductivity and anti-ferromagnetism.

The paper is organized as follows. In section 2 and 3, we review the boson mediated attractive interactions for Bose–Fermi mixtures and electronic models, respectively. We devote section 4 to discuss our effective mean-field theory for the derivation of thermodynamic potential. In section 5, we introduced the Landau energy functional and then in section 6, we derive the gap equation and discuss our linearization scheme. In section 7, we discuss the generic two order parameter phase diagram within the Landau energy functional and derive Landau energy functional coefficients for both electronic and atomic models. In section 8, we discuss the critical temperatures and phase transitions using our linearized gap equations. Finally in section 9, we summarize the results and provide a general discussion.

2. Elementary excitation induced attractive interaction between fermions in Bose–Fermi mixture

In this section, we briefly review the effective interaction between fermions originated from the bosonic density fluctuations. When the lattice potential is strong, the atomic system in the two-dimensional (2D) square lattice can be modeled by the single band Hubbard model [63],

$$H_{bf} = -t_b \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} (b_i^\dagger b_j + h.c) - t_f \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle, \sigma} (c_{i,\sigma}^\dagger c_{j,\sigma} + h.c) + \frac{U_{bb}}{2} \sum_i n_i^b (n_i^b - 1) + U_{bf} \sum_i n_i^b n_i^f + U_{ff} \sum_i n_{i,\uparrow} n_{i,\downarrow}, \quad (1)$$

where t_α is the boson ($\alpha = b$) and fermions ($\alpha = f$) tunneling amplitudes between neighboring sites i and j , respectively. The on-site boson–boson, boson–fermion, and fermion–fermion interactions are denoted by U_{bb} , U_{bf} , and U_{ff} , respectively. The operators $b_i(b_i^\dagger)$ are the on-site bosonic annihilation (creation) operators, and $c_{i,\sigma}$ are the on-site fermionic annihilation operators for pseudo spin $\sigma = \uparrow, \downarrow$. The Bosonic occupation number operator is $n_i^b = b_i^\dagger b_i$ and the fermionic occupation number operator for

σ spin is $n_{i,\sigma} = c_{i,\sigma}^\dagger a_{i,\sigma}$. The on-site fermionic occupation number operator is then $n_i^f = n_{i,\uparrow} + n_{i,\downarrow}$. The 2D optical lattice is created by three pairs of counter propagating laser beams that provide the trap potential in the form $V_\alpha(\vec{r}) = V_{\alpha z}(z) + V_{t\alpha}(x, y)$ for bosons and fermions with $\alpha = b, f$ respectively, where

$$V_{\alpha z}(z) = V_{\alpha z} \sin^2(\pi z/d) \quad \text{and}, \\ V_{t\alpha}(x, y) = V_{\alpha\perp} [\sin^2(\pi x/d) + \sin^2(\pi y/d)]. \quad (2)$$

Here, we assume that both bosons and fermions feel the same laser wavelength λ which is related to the lattice constant d through $d = \lambda/2$. The quasi-2D structure is maintained by a stronger axial confinement with $V_{\alpha z} \gg V_{\alpha\perp}$. The tunneling amplitude and the on-site interactions are tunable through transverse lattice strength $V_{\alpha\perp}$ and scattering lengths between two bosons a_{bb} , a boson and a fermion a_{bf} , and two fermions a_{ff} . The tunneling amplitudes are given by [64,65]

$$t_\alpha = \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi}} E_\alpha \left(\frac{V_{\alpha\perp}}{E_\alpha} \right)^{3/4} \exp\left(-2\sqrt{\frac{V_{\alpha\perp}}{E_\alpha}}\right), \quad (3)$$

where $E_\alpha = 2\hbar^2\pi^2/\lambda^2 m_\alpha$ is the photon recoil energy with mass m_α of a boson or a fermion. The on-site interactions have the form [64,65],

$$U_{\alpha\alpha} = \frac{U_{\alpha\alpha}^{3D}}{(2\pi)^{3/2} d_{\alpha z} d_{\alpha\perp}^2} \quad \text{and}, \\ U_{bf} = \frac{U_{bf}^{3D}}{\pi^{3/2} \sqrt{d_{bz}^2 + d_{fz}^2} (d_{b\perp}^2 + d_{f\perp}^2)}, \quad (4)$$

where $d_{\alpha z, \perp} = \sqrt{\hbar/m_\alpha \omega_{\alpha z, \perp}}$ with $\omega_{\alpha z, \perp} = 2\sqrt{E_\alpha V_{\alpha z, \perp}}/\hbar$ and three dimensional short-range interactions $U_{\alpha\beta}^{3D} = 4\pi\hbar^2 a_{\alpha\beta}/m_{\alpha\beta}$ with effective mass $m_{\alpha\beta} = 2m_\alpha m_\beta/(m_\alpha + m_\beta)$.

We are interested in the low temperature and strong kinetic energy regime of bosons where the bosonic atoms are condensed in the lattice. When the bosons are in Bose–Einstein condensate, effective interaction between fermions are induced from the elementary excitations of the BEC. As it is well known, these elementary excitations are phonons or sound waves and this phononic excitation spectrum can be calculated from Bogoliubov approximation to the bosons.

In Bogoliubov approximation, one uses the bosonic operators in momentum space as $b_q = \sqrt{N_L n_B} \delta(q) + \tilde{b}_q$ and keeps fluctuation operators \tilde{b}_q up to quadratic order in the bosonic sector of the Hamiltonian. Here n_B and N_L are bosonic density and the number of lattice points, respectively. Then diagonalizing the bosonic sector, one finds the spectrum of elementary excitations of the Bose superfluid [66],

$$\omega_B(k) = \sqrt{\epsilon_B(k)[\epsilon_B(k) + 2n_B U_{bb}]}. \quad (5)$$

Here, we have assumed that all the bosons are condensed into the zero momentum state, hence n_B is the superfluid bosonic density. The single particle boson dispersion on the lattice is defined as $\epsilon_B(k) = -2t_b(\cos k_x d + \cos k_y d)$. Within the same approximation, the boson density-density response in the static limit is then given by,

$$\chi_B(k) = -\frac{2n_B \epsilon_B(k)}{\omega_B(k)^2}. \quad (6)$$

By integrating out the phonon (\tilde{b}_q) field in the effective fermion-phonon coupling Hamiltonian (bosonic part and the boson-fermion coupling term), the phonon mediated attractive interaction between Fermi atoms is given by [34–36],

$$V_{ph}(k) = \chi_B(k) U_{bf}^2. \quad (7)$$

When deriving this effective interaction, renormalization of $\chi_B(k)$ due to the presence of fermions is neglected. This is reasonable as we are considering a dilute Bose–Fermi mixture here. The static limit of the response function can be justified as the resulting interaction between fermions is instantaneous. This is always the case when the velocity of the Bose excitations (phonons) are much larger than the Fermi velocity.

3. Spin fluctuation induced attractive interaction between electrons in high T_C compounds

In this section, we briefly review the effective interaction between electrons originated from the spin fluctuations. The dynamic of the electron in the two-dimensional square lattice can be modeled by the single band Hubbard model that includes on-site Coulomb repulsion U_e and nearest neighbor hopping amplitude t_e . Here we assume that there is d -orbital splitting due to the crystal field effects, Hund's coupling, on-site interaction, and the number of valence electrons in the electronic system are such that the system can be described by the single band Hubbard model. This is certainly the case for cuprates, but various tight-binding models such as two-orbital, three-orbital, and five-orbital have been proposed for pnictides [67–69]. Certainly, the iron based superconducting systems are multi-band systems and multi-band natures, such as Hund's coupling and intra-atomic exchange energies play a role in these materials [70]. However, we believe that the competition between direct on-site interaction and effective attractive interaction relevant for the interplay between anti-ferromagnetism and superconductivity can be studied using a single-band Hubbard model. The model is only a part of the Hamiltonian (H_{bf}) presented before, as we have only fermions in the lattice,

$$H_e = -t_e \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle, \sigma} \left(c_{i,\sigma}^\dagger c_{j,\sigma} + h.c \right) + U_e \sum_i n_{i,\uparrow} n_{i,\downarrow} - \mu \sum_{i,\sigma} c_{i,\sigma}^\dagger c_{i,\sigma}. \quad (8)$$

Starting from this Hamiltonian, and adding an external spin-dependent potential (or a magnetic field, which is set to be zero at the end of the calculation) one can use linear response theory to derive the effective interaction between electrons. This spin fluctuation mediated interaction is similar to the elementary excitation mediated interaction discussed in the previous section. In the former case, the bosons responsible for the interaction between electrons are magnetic excitations known as magnons. Even in the paramagnetic state with short-range anti-ferromagnetic order, highly damped magnons mediate interactions between electrons.

Using the exchanges of spin fluctuations within a weak coupling random-phase approximation, the paramagnon mediated effective interaction in the singlet channel is derived using a diagrammatic approach [71]

$$V_{mag}(\vec{k}) = \frac{U_e^2 \chi_0(\vec{k})}{1 - U_e \chi_0(\vec{k})} + \frac{U_e^3 \chi_0^2(\vec{k})}{1 - U_e^2 \chi_0^2(\vec{k})}. \quad (9)$$

Here $\vec{k} = \vec{q} - \vec{q}'$ is the momentum transfer in the scattering of a pair of electrons from state $(\vec{q}, -\vec{q})$ to state $(\vec{q}', -\vec{q}')$ and $\chi_0(\vec{k})$ is the wave-vector dependent susceptibility of the noninteracting electrons,

$$\chi_0(\vec{q}) = \sum_k \frac{n_f(\epsilon_{k+q}) - n_f(\epsilon_k)}{\epsilon_k - \epsilon_{k+q}}, \quad (10)$$

with the single particle excitation $\epsilon_k = -2t_e(\cos k_x d + \cos k_y d) - \mu$ for electron in the lattice. Here $n_f(x) = 1/[e^{\beta x} + 1]$ is the usual Fermi function with dimensionless inverse temperature $\beta = 1/k_B T$.

The first term in $V_{\text{mag}}(\mathbf{k})$ arises from the transverse spin fluctuations, while the second term corresponds to the longitudinal spin fluctuations [71]. Even though the effective interaction $V_{\text{mag}}(\mathbf{k})$ is positive, the \mathbf{k} dependence plays a major role when it comes to the pairing of electrons. The effective interaction has a peak at $\mathbf{k} = (\pi/d, \pi/d)$ and its Fourier transform in real space shows an oscillatory behavior between positive and negative values [72]. As a result, two electrons in spatially apart can attract and form a Cooper pair.

4. An effective mean field theory for the superconductivity and anti-ferromagnetism

In the low temperature regime where the elementary excitations are dominant, both Bose–Fermi and electronic systems discussed in sections 2 and 3 can be represented by an effective fermion Hamiltonian. It is convenient to develop the mean field theory in the momentum representation, i.e. we represent the Fermi operators in the plane wave basis as $c_{i,\sigma} = 1/\sqrt{N_L} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}_i} c_{\mathbf{k},\sigma}$, where N_L is the number of lattice sites and \mathbf{k} runs through the reciprocal lattice. In this Fourier basis, the Hamiltonian for both Bose–Fermi system and electronic system can be written as $H = H_0 + H_{SC} + H_{AF}$,

$$\begin{aligned} H_0 &= \sum_{\mathbf{k},\sigma} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k},\sigma}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k},\sigma} \\ H_{SC} &= \frac{1}{2V_I} \sum_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'} V_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'} c_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k}'\uparrow} c_{-\mathbf{k}'\downarrow} \\ H_{AF} &= \frac{1}{2V_I} \sum_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'} U_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'} c_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{Q}\uparrow}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k}\downarrow}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k}'\uparrow} c_{\mathbf{k}'-\mathbf{Q}\downarrow} \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

where $U_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'} = U\delta_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'}$ is the on-site repulsion with $U = U_{ff}$ for the atomic case and $U = U_e$ for the electronic case. The boson induced effective interaction between fermions $V_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'} = V(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}')$ with $V(\mathbf{k}) = V_{ph}(\mathbf{k})$ for the atomic case and $V(\mathbf{k}) = V_{\text{mag}}(\mathbf{k})$ for the electronic case. Here V_I is the volume of the system and $\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} = -2t(\cos k_x d + \cos k_y d) - \mu$ with $t = t_f$ and $t = t_e$ for atomic and electronic systems, respectively. While the term H_0 in the Hamiltonian represents the kinetic energy of the fermions, the terms H_{SC} and H_{AF} represent the interactions and they are responsible for superconductivity and magnetism, respectively. The Hamiltonian is highly interacting and unable to be solved in the thermodynamic limit even on a high power computer. There are different approximations to tackle this interacting many-body Hamiltonian by converting it into an effectively non-interacting one. One of the simple and popular approximations is the mean field approximation where the terms with four fermion operators are decoupled into products of quadratic terms. The same results can be obtained by applying so called Hubbard Stratonovich transformation to the Hamiltonian in functional integral method and evaluating the free energy at saddle point level. Here we use the mean field theory where an arbitrary operator \hat{A} is written in the form $\hat{A} = \langle \hat{A} \rangle + \delta \hat{A}$. Here $\delta \hat{A}$ represents the fluctuation around the mean value, $\langle \hat{A} \rangle$. Then a product of two operators \hat{A} and \hat{B} can be written as $\hat{A}\hat{B} \simeq \langle \hat{A} \rangle \hat{B} + \hat{A} \langle \hat{B} \rangle - \langle \hat{A} \rangle \langle \hat{B} \rangle$, where the approximately equal sign comes from neglecting the second order fluctuation term, $\delta \hat{A} \delta \hat{B}$. The exclusion of the second order fluctuation term makes this theory valid only for systems or regimes where quantum fluctuations are unimportant.

In order to convert our Hamiltonian into an effectively non-interacting one, we decouple quartic fermion terms into quadratic terms using the mean field theory. Introducing the two expectation

values for fermion bilinear operators as Δ

$$\Omega = -\frac{1}{\beta} \sum_k \sum_l \ln \left[\cosh(\beta E_l(k)/2) \right] - \frac{1}{2V_l} \sum_{kk'} \frac{\Delta_k^* \Delta_{k'}}{V_{kk'}} + \frac{M_Q M_Q^*}{2U}. \quad (18)$$

5. The Landau energy functional for superconductivity and antiferromagnetism

The mean-field thermodynamic potential derived in previous section can be used to construct the Landau energy functional for superconducting and anti-ferromagnetic order parameters, Δ_k and M_Q . In order to include the different symmetries of the superconducting order parameter, we take $\Delta_k = \Delta_\eta \eta_k$, where $\eta_k = 1$ for the spin-singlet on-site s-wave pairing, $\eta_k = 2[\cos k_x d + \cos k_y d]$ for the spin-singlet extended off-site s-wave pairing, and $\eta_k = 2[\cos k_x d - \cos k_y d]$ for the extended off-site d-wave pairing. For the anti-ferromagnetic order parameter where $\vec{Q}d = \{\pi, \pi\}$, we assume $M_Q = M$. Since the thermodynamic potential is analytic at both $\Delta_k = 0$ and $M_Q = 0$ at finite temperatures, we can expand it to the quartic order to get our Landau energy functional in the form,

$$F_{LG} = \frac{1}{2} \alpha_s \Delta_\eta^2 + \frac{1}{4} \beta_s \Delta_\eta^4 + \frac{1}{2} \alpha_m M^2 + \frac{1}{4} \beta_m M^4 + \frac{1}{2} \gamma \Delta_\eta^2 M^2. \quad (19)$$

Here we have neglected the higher order terms and for the stability of the Landau energy functional, both β_s and β_m must be positive. In addition, the parameter γ is restricted to the region $\gamma > -\sqrt{\beta_s \beta_m}$ for the energy to be bounded from below. A similar Landau expansion is investigated in Refs. [73–76]. We restrict ourselves to the parameter regime where these conditions are satisfied. Then the Landau coefficients $\alpha_s = \frac{\partial^2 \Omega}{\partial \Delta_\eta^2} |_{\Delta_\eta=0, M=0}$, $\alpha_m = \frac{\partial^2 \Omega}{\partial M^2} |_{\Delta_\eta=0, M=0}$, $\beta_s = \frac{1}{6} \frac{\partial^4 \Omega}{\partial \Delta_\eta^4} |_{\Delta_\eta=0, M=0}$, $\beta_m = \frac{1}{6} \frac{\partial^4 \Omega}{\partial M^4} |_{\Delta_\eta=0, M=0}$, and $\gamma = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^4 \Omega}{\partial \Delta_\eta^2 \partial M^2} |_{\Delta_\eta=0, M=0}$ are derived from the mean-field thermodynamic potential Ω . The explicit expressions for these coefficients are given in Appendix A. The stable thermodynamic phases are determined by the values of the order parameters. The non-zero order parameter suggests the ordered phase, hence the model can predict four different thermodynamic phases, normal ($\Delta_\eta = 0$, $M = 0$), superconducting ($\Delta_\eta \neq 0$, $M = 0$), anti-ferromagnetic ($\Delta_\eta = 0$, $M \neq 0$), and the co-existing phase of anti-ferromagnetism and superconductivity or the mixed phase ($\Delta_\eta \neq 0$, $M \neq 0$). The theory is valid close to the critical temperatures where the order parameters are small. The phase transition is determined by the sign of $\alpha_{s,m}$. When $\alpha_{s,m}$ changes signs from positive to negative for a given set of system parameters, the system enters from the normal state to an ordered state. The detail investigation of the phase diagram within this Landau approach is given in section 7 below.

6. The gap equations and linearization

The gap equations for the two order parameters, Δ_k and M_Q are obtained from minimizing the mean-field thermodynamic potential Ω . The minimization, $\partial \Omega / \partial \Delta_k = 0$ and $\partial \Omega / \partial M = 0$ leads to

$$\Delta_k = - \sum_q \left\{ \frac{V_{kq}(\Delta_q + M)}{2E_+(q)} \left(\tanh(\beta E_1(q)/2) - \tanh(\beta E_3(q)/2) \right) - \frac{V_{kq}(\Delta_q - M)}{2E_-(q)} \left(\tanh(\beta E_2(q)/2) - \tanh(\beta E_4(q)/2) \right) \right\} \quad (20)$$

and

$$M = \frac{U}{2} \sum_q \left\{ \frac{(\Delta_q + M)}{E_+(q)} \left(\tanh(\beta E_1(q)/2) - \tanh(\beta E_3(q)/2) \right) + \frac{(\Delta_q - M)}{E_-(q)} \left(\tanh(\beta E_4(q)/2) - \tanh(\beta E_2(q)/2) \right) \right\}. \quad (21)$$

In principle, these two non-linear equations must be solved self consistently for the order parameters. These self-consistency conditions demand considerable numerical efforts. However, the thermal phase transitions can be determined by linearized gap equations which are valid close to the critical temperatures where the order parameters are small. By expanding the gap equations around $\Delta_k = 0$ and $M = 0$, and keeping only the linear order, we have two linearized gap equations,

$$\Delta_k = - \sum_q V_{kq} \Delta_q S_q \quad \text{and} \quad M = U M \sum_q S_q, \quad (22)$$

where we defined, $S_q = [\tanh(\beta \epsilon_k/2) - \tanh(\beta \epsilon_{k+Q}/2)]/\epsilon_a$. In order to include both s-wave and d-wave superconducting symmetries, we expand the superconducting order parameter using the ansatz $\Delta_k = \Delta_0 + \Delta_s \gamma_k + \Delta_d \theta_k$. Here we choose the base functions $\gamma_k = 2[\cos k_x d + \cos k_y d]$ and $\theta_k = 2[\cos k_x d - \cos k_y d]$ so that Δ_0 , Δ_s , and Δ_d represent on-site s-wave, off-site s-wave, and off-site d-wave order parameters. Inserting this ansatz into the linearized gap equation, we construct three equations,

$$\begin{aligned} (A-1)\Delta_0 + B\Delta_s + C\Delta_d &= 0 \\ D\Delta_0 + (E-1)\Delta_s + F\Delta_d &= 0 \\ G\Delta_0 + H\Delta_s + (I-1)\Delta_d &= 0. \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

The equations are derived from the linearized superconducting gap equation. All the coefficients from A through I are listed in Appendix A. The first equation is derived by summing the linearized gap equation over momentum k . The second equation is derived by, first multiplying linearized equation by γ_k and then summing over the momentum. The third equation is obtained, first by multiplying θ_k and then summing over the momentum. We solve these three equations simultaneously for the superconducting order parameter and then use AFM gap equation for anti-ferromagnetic order parameter as we discuss in section 8 below.

7. The generic phase diagram from the Landau energy functional approach

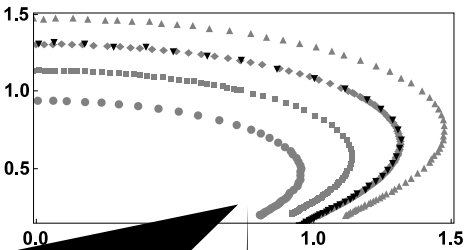
As we discussed in section 5 above, the Landau energy functional predicts four different phases depending on the parameters $\alpha_{s,m}$, $\beta_{s,m}$, and γ . We find that the generic phase diagram can be constructed within a three-parameter space given by $\lambda = \gamma / \sqrt{\beta_s \beta_m}$, $X_s = \alpha_s / \sqrt{\beta_s}$, and $X_m = \alpha_m / \sqrt{\beta_m}$. By analyzing the energy functional and the order parameters Δ and M as usual (i.e., by minimizing the energy functional and then solving the minimized equations simultaneously for real order parameters), we find that only the disordered normal phase is stable for $X_s > 0$, $X_m > 0$, and $\lambda > -1$. For $\lambda < -1$, the free energy is unbounded from below for all values of X_s and X_m . As expected, $X_s < 0$ is necessary for the superconducting phase and $X_m < 0$ requires for the anti-ferromagnetic phase. However, depending on the value of λ , the co-existence of superconductivity and anti-ferromagnetism or the mixed phase can be thermodynamically stable if one of the parameters X_s and X_m or both are negative. Table 1 summarizes the energy, the order parameters, and the parameter space for the phase diagram of our Landau energy functional. In order to determine the thermodynamically stable phase, we searched not only the lowest energy, but also the non-imaginary order parameters. The generic phase diagram for two representative values of λ is shown in Fig. 1.

Table 1

The phase boundary, energy, and the order parameters of thermodynamically stable phases from the generic Landau energy functional.

Phase	Parameter range
Normal (N)	
$F_N = 0$ $\Delta_\eta^2 = M^2 = 0$	$X_s > 0, X_m > 0$
Ant-ferromagnetic (AFM)	
$F_{AFM} = -\frac{1}{4} X_m^2$ $\Delta_\eta^2 = 0$ $M^2 = -\frac{X_m}{\sqrt{\beta_m}}$	(a). $X_m < 0, X_s > 0, \lambda > \frac{X_s}{X_m}, \lambda > \max(-1, \frac{X_m}{X_s})$ (b). $X_m < 0, X_s < 0, \lambda > \frac{X_m}{X_s}$
Superconducting (SC)	
$F_{SC} = -\frac{1}{4} X_s^2$ $\Delta_\eta^2 = -\frac{X_s}{\sqrt{\beta_s}}$ $M^2 = 0$	(a). $X_m > 0, X_s < 0, \lambda > \frac{X_m}{X_s}, \lambda > \max(-1, \frac{X_s}{X_m})$ (b). $X_m < 0, X_s < 0, \lambda > \frac{X_s}{X_m}$
Mixed (M)	
$F_M = \frac{X_s^2 + X_m^2 - 2\lambda X_s X_m}{4(\lambda^2 - 1)}$ $\Delta_\eta^2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta_s}} \frac{X_s - \lambda X_m}{\lambda^2 - 1}$ $M^2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta_m}} \frac{X_m - \lambda X_s}{\lambda^2 - 1}$	(a). $X_m < 0, X_s > 0, \max(-1, \frac{X_m}{X_s}) < \lambda < \frac{X_s}{X_m}$ (b). $X_m > 0, X_s < 0, \max(-1, \frac{X_s}{X_m}) < \lambda < \frac{X_m}{X_s}$ (c). $X_m < 0, X_s < 0, -1 < \lambda < \min(\frac{X_s}{X_m}, \frac{X_m}{X_s})$





transitions with cuprates, iron pnictides, organic superconductors, and heavy-fermions [86,87]. In electronic matter, these phase transitions have been probed using muon spin relaxation and neutron scattering measurements [88,89]. The cold-atom setup studied in the present paper provides platforms for deeper understanding of the magnetic and superconducting phases found in this electronic matter. Anti-ferromagnetism of fermions in optical lattices have already been probed [90] and detected using Bragg scattering of photons [91,92]. The superfluidity of fermion pairs can be detected using photoassociation spectroscopy where weakly bound Cooper pairs are converted into molecules using laser induced transitions [93,94]. The symmetry of the superfluid state may be probed using density-density correlation [56].

In conclusion, we have studied an experimentally feasible tight-binding effective fermion Hamiltonian relevant for both electronic matter and cold atom setups to investigate the interplay between anti-ferromagnetism and superconductivity. We used two different approximate schemes within a mean-field theory and find the possibility of having both anti-ferromagnetic and superconducting phases as well as the co-existence of these phases with certain parameters.

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Appendix A

Here we present the coefficients of the Landau energy functional discussed in section 5. As we have discussed in the main text, these are derived from the mean-field thermodynamic potential,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha_s &= - \sum_{k,q} \left\{ \frac{\eta_k \eta_q}{V_{kq}} + \sum_{\pm} \frac{2\eta_k^2}{\epsilon_a} \tanh[\beta(\epsilon_a \pm \epsilon_s)/4] \right\} \\
 \alpha_m &= \frac{1}{U} - \sum_k \sum_{\pm} \left\{ \frac{2}{\epsilon_a} \tanh[\beta(\epsilon_a \pm \epsilon_s)/4] \right\} \\
 \beta_s &= \sum_k \sum_{\pm} \frac{\eta_k^4}{\epsilon_a^3} \{ -6\beta\epsilon_a \operatorname{sech}^2[\beta(\epsilon_a \pm \epsilon_s)/4] \\
 &\quad + 24 \tanh[\beta(\epsilon_a \pm \epsilon_s)/4] \} \\
 \beta_m &= \sum_k \sum_{\pm} \frac{1}{\epsilon_a^3} \{ -6\beta\epsilon_a \operatorname{sech}^2[\beta(\epsilon_a \pm \epsilon_s)/4] \\
 &\quad + 24 \tanh[\beta(\epsilon_a \pm \epsilon_s)/4] \} \\
 \gamma &= \sum_k \sum_{\pm} \frac{6\eta_k^2}{\epsilon_a^3} \{ \beta\epsilon_a \operatorname{sech}^2[\beta(\epsilon_a \pm \epsilon_s)/4] \\
 &\quad - 4 \tanh[\beta(\epsilon_a \pm \epsilon_s)/4] \}, \tag{25}
 \end{aligned}$$

where \pm sum needed to be completed with the upper sign for $+$ and the lower sign for $-$. Following are the coefficients of linearized gap equations discussed in section 6. As we have discussed in the main text, some of these coefficients are zero due to nature of the functions γ_k and θ_k , and (anti)symmetry of the functions $(\gamma_k) \theta_k$ under $k_x \rightarrow k_y$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= - \sum_{kq} V_{kq} S_q, & B &= - \sum_{kq} V_{kq} S_q \gamma_q \\
 C &= - \sum_{kq} V_{kq} S_q \theta_q, & D &= - \sum_{kq} V_{kq} S_q \gamma_k/4 \\
 E &= - \sum_{kq} V_{kq} S_q \gamma_k \gamma_q/4, & F &= - \sum_{kq} V_{kq} S_q \gamma_k \theta_q/4
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 G &= - \sum_{kq} V_{kq} S_q \theta_k/4, & H &= - \sum_{kq} V_{kq} S_q \gamma_q \theta_k/4 \\
 I &= - \sum
 \end{aligned}$$

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