Metal-insulator Transition and Superconductivity in the Two-orbital Hubbard-Holstein Model for Iron-based Superconductors

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We investigate a two-orbital model for iron-based superconductors to elucidate the effect of interplay between electron correlation and Jahn-Teller electron-phonon coupling by using the dynamical mean-field theory combined with the exact diagonalization method. When the intra- and inter-orbital Coulomb interactions, U and U', increase with U = U', both the local spin and orbital susceptibilities, χ_s and χ_o , increase with $\chi_s = \chi_o$ in the absence of the Hund's rule coupling J and the electron-phonon coupling g. In the presence of J and g, there are distinct two regimes: for $J \gtrsim 2g^2/\omega_0$ with the phonon frequency ω_0 , χ_s is enhanced relative to χ_o and shows a divergence at $J = J_c$ above which the system becomes Mott insulator, while for $J \lesssim 2g^2/\omega_0$, χ_o is enhanced relative to χ_s and shows a divergence at $g = g_c$ above which the system becomes bipolaronic insulator. In the former regime, the superconductivity is mediated by antiferromagnetic fluctuations enhanced due to Fermi-surface nesting and is found to be largely dependent on carrier doping. On the other hand, in the latter regime, the superconductivity is mediated by ferro-orbital fluctuations and is observed for wide doping region including heavily doped case without the Fermi-surface nesting.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The iron-based superconductors exhibit the common feature of phase diagrams, where parent compounds show the tetragonal-orthorhombic structural transition and the stripe-type antiferromagnetic (AFM) transition both of which are suppressed by carrier doping x resulting in the high- T_c superconductivity.^{1,2} When approaching the AFM transition, the AFM fluctuation observed by the NMR experiments³) is found to be enhanced, while, when approaching the structural transition, the ferro-orbital (FO) fluctuation between d_{xz} and d_{yz} orbitals (or the $O_{x^2-y^2}$ ferroquadrupole fluctuation)⁴ responsible for the softening of the elastic constant C_{66} observed by the ultrasonic experiments⁵⁻⁷) is found to be enhanced. Correspondingly, two distinct s-wave pairings: the s_{\pm} -wave with sign change of the order parameter between the hole and the electron Fermi surfaces (FSs) mediated by the AFM fluctuation^{8,9)} and the s_{++} wave without the sign change mediated by the FO fluctuation^{10,11}) and by the antiferro-orbital (AFO) fluctua $tion^{12}$ which is also responsible for the softening of C_{66} through the two-orbiton process,¹³⁾ were proposed.

Recent experiments have revealed that the high- T_c superconductivity is realized even in the case with heavily electron-doped compounds such as RFeAsO_{1-x}H_x (R=Sm, Ce, La)¹⁴⁻¹⁶⁾ up to $x \sim 0.5$ and A_xFe₂Se₂ (A=K, Cs, Rb)^{17,18)} where the large electron FSs are observed without the hole FSs. In these cases, the mechanisms based on the AFM^{8,9)} and the AFO¹²⁾ fluctuations, which are enhanced due to the nesting between the electron and hole FSs, seem to be insufficient for explaining the superconductivity. Therefore, the other types of

the nesting between the electron FSs for $A_x \text{Fe}_2 \text{Se}_2^{19,20}$ and those due to the effects of the doping dependence of the band structure for $\text{RFeAsO}_{1-x}\text{H}_x^{21,22}$ have been discussed. As for the mechanism based on the FO fluctuation^{10,11} which is enhanced due to the coupling between the $d_{xz} - d_{yz}$ orbital fluctuation and the orthorhombic mode (Jahn-Teller type) phonon, the superconductivity does not need the FS nesting effect but is restricted near the tetragonal-orthorhombic structural transition with small x within the random phase approximation (RPA).

Generally, in the magnetic fluctuation mechanism, the the pairing interaction V(q) with wave vector q is repulsive and then the strong \boldsymbol{q} dependence of $V(\boldsymbol{q})$ realized near the magnetic ordered phase is crucial for the superconductivity. On the other hand, in the orbital fluctuation mechanism, V(q) is attractive and then the strong q dependence of V(q) realized near the orbital ordered phase is not necessary for the superconductivity. When the local component of the orbital fluctuation is relatively larger than that of the magnetic fluctuation, the local component of the pairing interaction $V_{\rm loc}$, which is nothing but the q-averaged value of V(q), becomes attractive and is expected to induce the s_{++} -wave pairing, even far away from the ordered phases. It has been found that the local magnetic (charge) susceptibility is largely enhanced due to the effect of strong electron correlation (strong electron-phonon coupling) and shows a divergence towards the Mott (bipolaronic) metal-insulator transition.²³⁻²⁶) Therefore, it is important in describing the local fluctuations to take into account of both the strong correlation and coupling effects beyond perturbative approaches such as the RPA.

In this paper, we investigate the effect of interplay between electron correlation and Jahn-Teller (JT) electron-

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phonon coupling including the strong correlation and/or strong coupling regimes by using the dynamical meanfield theory $(DMFT)^{23}$ which becomes exact in infinite dimensions $(d = \infty)$ where the self-energy becomes local and enables us to sufficiently include the local correlation effects due to both Coulomb and electron-phonon interactions and to describe the Mott and bipolaronic metal-insulator transitions.²⁴⁻²⁸) Here, we employ the two orbital Hubbard model²⁹⁾ reproducing the electron and hole FSs as a minimal model for iron-based superconductors. The model has been extensively studied by many authors focusing on the pairing states, $^{30-46)}$ magnetic states, $^{47-60)}$ strong correlation effects $^{61-64)}$ and lattice and orbital properties. $^{65-67)}$ However, the effect of the JT phonon, which has been found to play important role in the orbital fluctuations responsible for the softening of C_{66} ,^{10,11}) was not discussed there. The purpose of this paper is to elucidate the effect of the JT electronphonon coupling in the two-orbital Hubbard model including the strong correlation and/or strong coupling regimes which were not considered in the previous works based on the RPA. $^{10,\,11)}$

2. MODEL AND FORMULATION

2.1 Model Hamiltonian

Our model Hamiltonian is given by

$$H = H_0 + H_{\rm int} + H_{\rm ph} + H_{\rm el-ph} \tag{1}$$

with the kinetic part of the Hamiltonian:

$$H_{0} = \sum_{\boldsymbol{k}\sigma} \left(d_{\boldsymbol{k}1\sigma}^{\dagger} d_{\boldsymbol{k}2\sigma}^{\dagger} \right) \hat{H}_{\boldsymbol{k}} \begin{pmatrix} d_{\boldsymbol{k}1\sigma} \\ d_{\boldsymbol{k}2\sigma} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{H}_{\boldsymbol{k}} = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_{\boldsymbol{k}1} & \varepsilon_{\boldsymbol{k}12} \\ \varepsilon_{\boldsymbol{k}12} & \varepsilon_{\boldsymbol{k}2} \end{pmatrix}$$
(2)

where $d_{\boldsymbol{k}l\sigma}$ is the annihilation operator for a Fe 3*d* electron with the wave vector \boldsymbol{k} and the spin σ in the orbital $l = 1, 2(=d_{xz}, d_{yz})$, and the energies $\varepsilon_{\boldsymbol{k}l}$ and $\varepsilon_{\boldsymbol{k}12}$ are determined so as to reproduce the electron and hole FSs in the iron pnictides.²⁹⁾ The Coulomb interaction part H_{int} between electrons at site *i* includes the intra- and interorbital direct terms U and U', the Hund's rule coupling J and the pair transfer J' which is written by,

$$H_{\text{int}} = U \sum_{il} n_{il\uparrow} n_{il\downarrow} + \frac{U'}{2} \sum_{i} \sum_{l\neq l'} \sum_{\sigma\sigma'} n_{il\sigma} n_{il'\sigma'} + \frac{J}{2} \sum_{i} \sum_{l\neq l'} \sum_{\sigma\sigma'} d^{\dagger}_{il\sigma} d^{\dagger}_{il'\sigma'} d_{il\sigma'} d_{il'\sigma} + \frac{J'}{2} \sum_{i} \sum_{l\neq l'} \sum_{\sigma\neq\sigma'} d^{\dagger}_{il\sigma} d^{\dagger}_{il\sigma'} d_{il'\sigma'} d_{il'\sigma}.$$
(3)

For simplicity, we assume the relations U = U' + 2Jand J = J' which are satisfied in the isolated atom but not generally in the crystal.^{68,69)} The phonon and the electron-phonon interaction parts are given by

$$H_{\rm ph} + H_{\rm el-ph} = \sum_{i} \omega_0 b_i^{\dagger} b_i + g \sum_{i} \left(b_i + b_i^{\dagger} \right) \tau_{zi}, \quad (4)$$

where b_i is the annihilation operator for a JT phonon at site *i* with the frequency ω_0 , which is coupled to the longitudinal orbital fluctuation, $\tau_{zi} = \sum_{\sigma} (n_{i1\sigma} - n_{i2\sigma})$ with $n_{il\sigma} = d^{\dagger}_{il\sigma} d_{il\sigma}$, through the electron-phonon coupling g.

2.2 Formulation : Dynamical mean-field theory

To solve the model Eq. (1), we use the DMFT²³ in which the lattice model is mapped onto an impurity Anderson model embedded in an effective medium which is determined so as to satisfy the self-consistency condition

$$\hat{G}(i\varepsilon_n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\boldsymbol{k}} \hat{G}(\boldsymbol{k}, i\varepsilon_n)$$
(5)

with the Matsubara frequency $\varepsilon_n = (2n+1)\pi T$, where $\hat{G}(i\varepsilon_n)$ and $\hat{G}(\mathbf{k}, i\varepsilon_n)$ are the 2×2 matrix representations of the local (impurity) Green's function and the lattice Green's function, respectively, which are explicitly given by

$$\hat{G}(i\varepsilon_n) = \left[[\hat{\mathcal{G}}(i\varepsilon_n)]^{-1} - \hat{\Sigma}(i\varepsilon_n) \right]^{-1}, \qquad (6)$$

$$\hat{G}(\boldsymbol{k}, i\varepsilon_n) = \left[(i\varepsilon_n + \mu) - \hat{H}_{\boldsymbol{k}} - \hat{\Sigma}(i\varepsilon_n) \right]^{-1}, \quad (7)$$

where $\hat{\Sigma}(i\varepsilon_n)$ is the 2 × 2 matrix representation of the impurity (local) self-energy due to the Coulomb and electron-phonon interactions and $\hat{\mathcal{G}}(i\varepsilon_n)$ is that of the bare impurity Green's function describing the effective medium which is determined self-consistently.

Within the DMFT, the spin (charge-orbital) susceptibility is given in the 4×4 matrix representation as

$$\hat{\chi}_{s(c)}(q) = \left[1 - (+)\hat{\chi}_0(q)\hat{\Gamma}_{s(c)}(i\omega_n)\right]^{-1}\hat{\chi}_0(q)$$
(8)

with

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$$\hat{\chi}_0(q) = -\frac{T}{N} \sum_k \hat{G}(k+q)\hat{G}(k),$$
(9)

where $k = (\mathbf{k}, i\varepsilon_m)$, $q = (\mathbf{q}, i\omega_n)$ and $\omega_n = 2n\pi T$. In Eq. (8), $\hat{\Gamma}_{s(c)}(i\omega_n)$ is the local irreducible spin (chargeorbital) vertex in which only the external frequency (ω_n) dependence is considered as a simplified approximation⁷⁰ and is explicitly given by

$$\hat{\Gamma}_{s(c)}(i\omega_n) = -(+) \left[\hat{\chi}_{s(c)}^{-1}(i\omega_n) - \hat{\chi}_0^{-1}(i\omega_n) \right]$$
(10)

with

$$\hat{\chi}_0(i\omega_n) = -T \sum_{\varepsilon_m} \hat{G}(i\varepsilon_m + i\omega_n) \hat{G}(i\varepsilon_m), \qquad (11)$$

where $\hat{\chi}_{s(c)}(i\omega_n)$ is the local spin (charge-orbital) susceptibility. When the largest eigenvalue α_s (α_c) of $(-)\hat{\chi}_0(q)\hat{\Gamma}_{s(c)}(i\omega_n)$ in Eq. (8) for a wave vector \boldsymbol{q} with $i\omega_n = 0$ reaches unity, the instability towards the magnetic (charge-orbital) order with the corresponding \boldsymbol{q} takes place.

To examine the superconductivity mediated by the magnetic and charge-orbital fluctuations which are enhanced towards the corresponding orders mentioned above, we write the effective pairing interaction for the spin-singlet state using the spin (charge-orbital) susceptibility and vertex given in Eqs. (8) and (10) obtained within the DMFT in the 4×4 matrix representation as^{10,71,72}

$$\hat{V}(q) = \frac{3}{2}\hat{\Gamma}_s(i\omega_n)\hat{\chi}_s(q)\hat{\Gamma}_s(i\omega_n) + \frac{1}{2}\hat{\Gamma}_s^{(0)}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2}\hat{\Gamma}_c(i\omega_n)\hat{\chi}_c(q)\hat{\Gamma}_c(i\omega_n) + \frac{1}{2}\hat{\Gamma}_c^{(0)}(i\omega_n),\qquad(12)$$

where the bare spin (charge-orbital) vertex is given by

$$\Gamma_{s(c)}^{(0)} = \begin{cases} U \left(U - 2g^2 D(i\omega_n) \right) & (l_1 = l_2 = l_3 = l_4) \\ U' \left(-U' + 2J \right) & (l_1 = l_3 \neq l_2 = l_4) \\ J \left(2U' - J + 2g^2 D(i\omega_n) \right) \left(l_1 = l_2 \neq l_3 = l_4 \right) \\ J' \left(J' \right) & (l_1 = l_4 \neq l_2 = l_3) \\ 0 & \text{(otherwise)} \end{cases}$$
(13)

with the bare phonon Green's function $^{10,71)}$

$$D(i\omega_n) = \frac{2\omega_0}{\omega_n^2 + \omega_0^2}.$$
(14)

Substituting the effective pairing interaction Eq. (12) into the linearized Eliashberg equation:

$$\lambda \Delta_{ll'}(k) = -\frac{T}{N} \sum_{k'} \sum_{l_1 l_2 l_3 l_4} V_{ll_1, l_2 l'}(k-k') \\ \times G_{l_3 l_1}(-k') \Delta_{l_3 l_4}(k') G_{l_4 l_2}(k'), \tag{15}$$

we obtain the gap function $\Delta_{ll'}(k)$ with the eigenvalue λ which becomes unity at the superconducting transition temperature $T = T_c$. In Eq. (15), the gap function $\Delta_{ll'}(k)$ includes the 1/d corrections yielding the k dependence of the gap function responsible for the anisotropic superconductivity which is not obtained within the zeroth order of 1/d.²³⁾ If we replace $\hat{\Gamma}_{s(c)}$ with $\hat{\Gamma}_s^{(0)}$ and neglect $\hat{\Sigma}$, Eq. (12) yields the RPA result of $\hat{V}(q)$.^{68, 69, 71, 72)} Therefore, Eq. (15) with Eqs. (7) and (12) is a straightforward extension of the RPA result to include the vertex and the self-energy corrections within the DMFT without any double counting.

In the actual calculations with the DMFT, we solve the effective impurity Anderson model, where the Coulomb and the JT electron-phonon interactions at the impurity site are given by the same forms as Eqs. (3) and (4) with a site i and the kinetic energies are determined so as to satisfy Eq. (5) as possible, by using the exact diagonalization (ED) method for a finite-size cluster to obtain the local quantities such as $\hat{\Sigma}$ and $\hat{\chi}_{s(c)}$. We set the site number $N_s = 4 - 6$ and the cutoff of the phonon number $N_b = 20.^{27,28)}$ The tight-binding parameters of H_k in Eq. (2) are set to be the same in Ref.²⁹⁾ where the total band width is W = 12, and we set the phonon frequency $\omega_0 = 0.01W$. All calculations are performed at T = 0, and we replace the Matsubara frequencies ε_n and ω_n by a fine grid of imaginary frequencies with a fictitious temperature which determines the energy resolution.

Using the ED method, we also calculate the several physical quantities as follows: the renormalization factor corresponding to the inverse effective mass $Z = (1 - \frac{d\Sigma(i\varepsilon)}{d(i\varepsilon)}|_{i\varepsilon=0})^{-1} = (m^*/m)^{-1}$, the local charge, spin and orbital fluctuations $\langle \delta n^2 \rangle = \langle (n - \langle n \rangle)^2 \rangle$ with $n = \sum_{l\sigma} n_{i1\sigma}, \langle S^2 \rangle$ with $S = \frac{1}{2} \sum_l \sum_{\alpha\beta} d^{\dagger}_{il\alpha} \sigma_{\alpha\beta} d_{il\beta}$ and $\langle \tau_z^2 \rangle$, and the local spin and orbital susceptibilities $\chi_s = 4 \langle \langle S_z | S_z \rangle \rangle|_{i\omega=0}$ and $\chi_o = \langle \langle \tau_z | \tau_z \rangle \rangle|_{i\omega=0}$, and the intra-orbital part of the local paring interaction $V_{\text{loc}} \equiv [\hat{V}(0)]_{lll}$ with $\hat{V}(i\omega) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{q} \hat{V}(q, i\omega) = \frac{3}{2} \hat{\Gamma}_s(i\omega) \hat{\chi}_s(i\omega) \hat{\Gamma}_s(i\omega) - \frac{1}{2} \hat{\Gamma}_c(i\omega) \hat{\chi}_c(i\omega) \hat{\Gamma}_c(i\omega) + \frac{1}{2} (\hat{\Gamma}_s^{(0)} + \frac{1}{2} (\hat{\Gamma}_s^{(0)}) + \frac{1}{2} (\hat{\Gamma}_s^{(0)})$

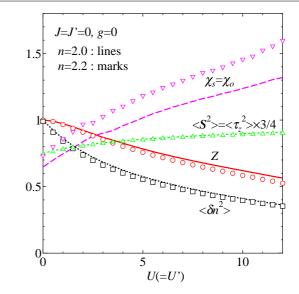


Fig. 1. (Color online) U(=U') dependence of the renormalization factor Z, the local spin, orbital and charge fluctuations $\langle S^2 \rangle$, $\langle \delta n^2 \rangle$, and the local spin and orbital susceptibilities χ_s and χ_o with J = J' = g = 0 for n = 2 (lines) and n = 2.2 (marks).

 $\hat{\Gamma}_{c}^{(0)}(i\omega)$) which is the most dominant contribution of the pairing interaction due to the local fluctuations.

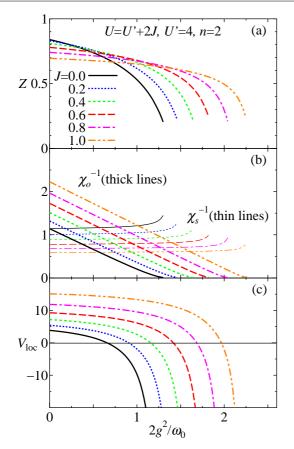
3. RESULTS

3.1 Effects of Coulomb interactions with U = U'

First, we examine the effect of the intra- and interorbital Coulomb interactions, U and U' in the absence of the Hund's rule coupling J and the JT electronphonon coupling g. Fig. 1 shows the several physical quantities mentioned in § 2 as functions of U(=U')with J = J' = g = 0 at half-filling n = 2 and away from half-filling n = 2.2. When the electron correlation increases with U = U', Z and $\langle \delta n^2 \rangle$ decrease while $\langle S^2 \rangle$ and $\langle \tau_z^2 \rangle$ increase with $\langle S^2 \rangle = \frac{3}{4} \langle \tau_z^2 \rangle$ as the double-occupancy probabilities take the same value: $\langle n_{l\uparrow}n_{l\downarrow}\rangle = \langle n_{l\uparrow}n_{l'\downarrow}\rangle = \langle n_{l\uparrow}n_{l'\uparrow}\rangle$ with $l \neq l'$ because of the spin-orbital symmetry.²⁸⁾ Correspondingly, χ_s and χ_o increase with $\chi_s = \chi_o$ while the charge susceptibility decreases (not shown) with increasing U. For n = 2, we also observe the Mott metal-insulator transition at a critical interaction $U_c(=U'_c) \sim 2.5W$, where Z = 0for $U > U_c$, while when $U \to U_c$ for $U < U_c$, $Z \to 0$ and $\chi_s = \chi_o \to \infty$ (not shown), as previously observed in the multi-orbital Hubbard model.⁷³⁾ For n = 2.2, the U dependence of the physical quantities is almost similar to that for n = 2 as shown in Fig. 1, except for the Mott transition which is observed exclusively for integer fillings.⁷³⁾ We note that, although the q dependence of $\hat{\chi}_s(\boldsymbol{q}, i\omega)$ largely depends on doping responsible for the FS nesting as will be shown later, the q-averaged value, i. e., the local susceptibility $\hat{\chi}_s(i\omega)$ is weakly dependent on doping.

3.2 Effects of Hund's rule coupling J and JT electronphonon coupling g

Next, we consider the effects of the Hund's rule coupling J and the JT electron-phonon coupling g. In Figs.



U=U'+2J, U'=4, n=2.0 (a) Z 0.5 $2g^2/\omega_0=0.0$ 0.6 0.2 -----0.80.4 --1.0 0 (b) 2 (thick lines) $\chi_{\rm s}^{-1}$ (thin lines) (c) 10 $V_{\rm loc}$ 0 -100 1 2 J(=J')

Fig. 2. (Color online) $2g^2/\omega_0$ dependence of the renormalization factor Z (a), the inverse of the local spin (orbital) susceptibility $\chi_{s(o)}^{-1}$ (b) and the intra-orbital part of the local paring interaction V_{loc} (c) for several values of J(=J') with U' = 4 and n = 2.

2 (a)-(c), Z, $\chi_{s(o)}^{-1}$ and V_{loc} are plotted as functions of $2g^2/\omega_0$ for several values of J(=J') for U'=4 with U=U' + 2J and n = 2. When $2q^2/\omega_0$ increases, Z decreases with increasing χ_{ρ} due to the strong orbital-lattice coupling effect, while χ_s slightly decreases. Correspondingly, $V_{\rm loc}$ decreases with increasing $2g^2/\omega_0$ and finally becomes negative where the attractive term due to χ_o dominates over the repulsive term due to χ_s (see Eq. (12)). Then, the intra-orbital s-wave pairing is expected to be realized in the intermediate coupling regime where $V_{\rm loc} < 0$ with the moderate effective mass $m^*/m = Z^{-1} = 2 \sim 3$. In the strong coupling regime, we also observe the bipolaronic transition at a critical coupling g_c where $Z \to 0$ with $g \to g_c$ together with $\chi_o \to \infty$ and $V_{\rm loc} \to -\infty$, although it is difficult to obtain a fully convergent solution with $Z \sim 0$. The effect of J enhances χ_s while suppresses χ_o (see also Fig. 3).

Figs. 3 (a)-(c) show the J dependence of Z, $\chi_{s(o)}^{-1}$ and $V_{\rm loc}$ for several values of $2g^2/\omega_0$ for U' = 4 with U = U' + 2J and n = 2. When J increases, Z monotonically decreases for $2g^2/\omega_0 = 0$ while it shows a maximum at $J \sim 2g^2/\omega_0$ for $2g^2/\omega_0 \neq 0$. $\chi_s(\chi_o)$ increases (decreases) with increasing J resulting in a crossover between the following two regimes: $J \lesssim 2g^2/\omega_0$ with $\chi_s < \chi_o$ and $J \gtrsim 2g^2/\omega_0$ with $\chi_s > \chi_o$. Then, the large effective mass $m^*/m = Z^{-1} \gg 1$ is observed in

Fig. 3. (Color online) J(=J') dependence of the renormalization factor Z (a), the inverse of the local spin (orbital) susceptibility $\chi_{s(o)}^{-1}$ (b) and the intra-orbital part of the local paring interaction $V_{\rm loc}$ (c) for several values of $2g^2/\omega_0$ with U' = 4 and n = 2.

the two distinct regimes with $J \ll 2g^2/\omega_0$ $(J \gg 2g^2/\omega_0)$ where $\chi_o(\chi_s)$ dominates over $\chi_s(\chi_o)$ due to the strong coupling (correlation) effect, while the moderate effective mass $m^*/m = Z^{-1} = 2 \sim 3$ is observed in the intermediate regime with $J \sim 2g^2/\omega_0$ where χ_s and χ_o , both of which are largely enhanced by U(=U') as shown in Fig. 1, compete to each other resulting in a maximum of Z as a fully non-perturbative effect. This intermediate regime with χ_o being a little larger than χ_s is responsible for the s-wave pairing due to $V_{\text{loc}} < 0$ with the moderate renormalization of the band width $Z = 1/2 \sim 1/3$ and seems to be consistent with the iron-pnictide superconductors where both the spin and orbital fluctuations are largely enhanced while the band renormalization is moderate.²

3.3 Phase diagrams on $J-2g^2/\omega_0$ plane

From systematic calculations for various values of Jand g, we obtain the contour lines of the renormalization factor Z as functions of J(=J') and $2g^2/\omega_0$ for U'=4with U = U'+2J and n = 2 as shown in Fig. 4, where the contour lines with Z = 0 are the phase boundary towards the Mott and the bipolaronic insulators. As mentioned before there are distinct two regimes: $J \lesssim 2g^2/\omega_0$ with $\chi_s < \chi_o$ and $J \gtrsim 2g^2/\omega_0$ with $\chi_s > \chi_o$. In the former regime, Z decreases with increasing g together with increasing χ_o and then $Z \to 0$ with $\chi_o \to \infty$ at $g = g_c$ above which the system becomes bipolaronic insulator

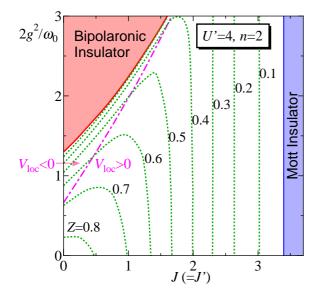


Fig. 4. (Color online) The contour lines of the renormalization factor Z as functions of J(=J') and $2g^2/\omega_0$ for U'=4 and n=2. The phase boundary towards the Mott and the bipolaronic insulators are the contour lines with Z=0. The dash-dotted line shows the boundary between the regions of $V_{\rm loc} > 0$ and $V_{\rm loc} < 0$.

(see also Fig. 2), while Z increases with increasing J. In this regime, the attractive local pairing interaction due to χ_o dominates over the repulsive one due to χ_s resulting in $V_{\text{loc}} < 0$. On the other hand, in the latter regime, Z decreases with increasing J together with increasing χ_s and then $Z \to 0$ with $\chi_s \to \infty$ at $J = J_c$ above which the system becomes Mott insulator (see also Fig. 3), while Z is almost independent of g. In the crossover regime with $J \sim 2g^2/\omega_0$ where $\chi_s \sim \chi_o$, the effects of both spin and orbital fluctuations on the band renormalization compete with each other and then we observe a ridge of Z as shown in Fig. 4.

Finally, we discuss the magnetic and orbital orders and the superconductivity mediated by those fluctuations. Fig. 5 shows the phase diagram on $J-2g^2/\omega_0$ plane for U' = 4 and n = 2, where the magnetic (charge-orbital) instability takes place when the largest eigenvalue α_s (α_c) of $(-)\hat{\chi}_0(q)\hat{\Gamma}_{s(c)}(i\omega_n)$ in Eq. (8) with $i\omega_n = 0$ reaches unity, and the superconducting instability occurs when the largest eigenvalue λ in the linearized Eliashberg equation Eq. (15) becomes unity. The stripe-type AFM order with $\boldsymbol{q} = (\pi, 0)$ appears in the large J region, while, the FO order with q = (0, 0) appears in the large $2g^2/\omega_0$ region. It is noted that on the phase boundary towards the charge-orbital instability, the longitudinal orbital susceptibility $[\hat{\chi}_c(\boldsymbol{q})]_{11,11} - [\hat{\chi}_c(\boldsymbol{q})]_{11,22}$ diverges, while, the charge susceptibility $[\hat{\chi}_c(\boldsymbol{q})]_{11,11} + [\hat{\chi}_c(\boldsymbol{q})]_{11,22}$ dose not. In the inset in Fig. 5, we also show the RPA phase diagram for $U' = 2^{74}$ and n = 2 for comparison. The AFM order from the DMFT is largely suppressed as compared to the RPA result due to the correlation effect, while the FO order is not so. Then, the FO order is stabilized relative to the AFM order due to the correlation effect beyond the RPA.

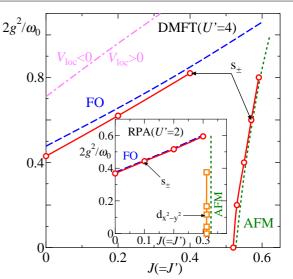
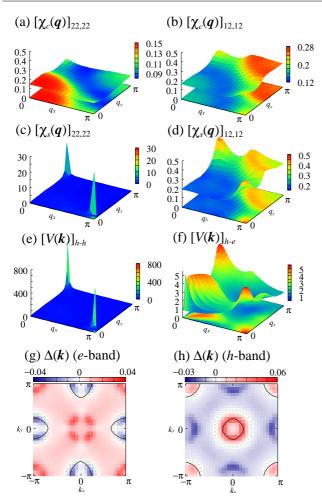


Fig. 5. (Color online) The phase diagram on $J \cdot 2g^2/\omega_0$ plane for n = 2. The lines represent the instabilities for the ferro-orbital order (dashed lines), the stripe-type AFM order (dotted lines), the s_{++} -wave superconductivity (solid line with open circles) and the $d_{x^2-y^2}$ -superconductivity (solid lines with open squares), respectively. The dash-dotted line shows the boundary between the regions of $V_{\rm loc} > 0$ and $V_{\rm loc} < 0$. The DMFT results for U' = 4 are shown in the main figure and the RPA results for $U' = 2^{74}$ are shown in the inset.

3.4 Superconductivity

As shown in Fig. 5, the superconductivity is realized near the AFM order, where we plot a typical result of the gap function together with the spin and charge-orbital susceptibility and the pairing interaction in Fig. 6. The large repulsive pairing interaction for $\boldsymbol{q} \sim (\pi, 0)$ due to the AFM fluctuation results in the s_+ -wave pairing with sign change of the gap function between the hole and the electron $FSs.^{8,9)}$ We also observe the superconductivity near the FO order, where a typical result of the gap function together with the spin and charge-orbital susceptibility and the pairing interaction is shown in Fig. 7. The large attractive pairing interaction for $\boldsymbol{q} \sim (0,0)$ due to the FO fluctuation together with the small repulsive pairing interaction for $\boldsymbol{q} \sim (\pi, 0)$ due to the AFM fluctuation results in the s_+ -wave pairing, in contrast to the previous result for the 16-band d-p model where the electron-phonon couplings with the E_g and B_{1g} modes slightly enhance the AFO fluctuation and suppress the repulsive pairing interaction due to the AFM fluctuation, and then the s_{++} -wave pairing is realized near the FO order due to the largely enhanced FO fluctuation.^{10,11} As for the case with the present two-orbital model, we also find that the s_{++} -wave pairing is realized in the presence of the B_{1g} -type JT phonon coupled to the transverse orbital fluctuation in addition to the orthorhombic-type JT phonon coupled to the longitudinal one considered in this study.⁷⁵⁾ Remarkably, the DMFT result of the superconducting region due to the FO fluctuation is expanded as compared to the RPA result, while that due to the AFM fluctuation is reduced. This is cased by the effect of the local orbital fluctuation which is enhanced due to the local correlation effect sufficiently included in



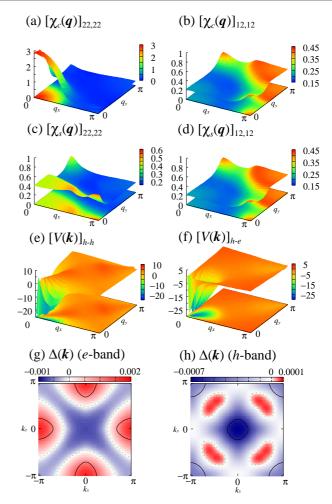


Fig. 6. (Color online) Several components of the charge-orbital susceptibility (a) and (b), those of the spin susceptibility (c) and (d) in the orbital representation, the pairing interaction in the hole band (e) and that between the electron and hole bands (f) and the gap function in the electron and the hole bands (g) and (h) in the band representation as functions of the wave vector with $i\omega_n = 0$ for U' = 4, J = J' = 0.52, $2g^2/\omega_0 = 0$ and n = 2.

the DMFT and results in $V_{\rm loc} < 0$ near the FO order as shown in Fig. 5.

3.5 Doping dependence

Fig. 8 shows the n dependence of the largest eigenvalues α_s , α_c and λ which reach unity towards the magnetic, charge-orbital and superconducting instabilities together with the renormalization factor Z in the magnetic fluctuation dominated regime with $\alpha_s > \alpha_c$ (Fig. 8 (a)) and in the orbital fluctuation dominated regime with $\alpha_s < \alpha_c$ (Fig. 8 (b)). In both regimes, the AFM fluctuation is found to be largely dependent on the electron filling nwhich results in large drastic change in FS nesting responsible for the the strength as well as the wave vector \boldsymbol{q} of the enhanced magnetic fluctuation, while the FO fluctuation, which is enhanced due to the interplay between the electron correlation and the JT electron-phonon coupling without the FS nesting effect, is weakly dependent on n except for the discontinuous change in the density of states at the Fermi level observed far away from the half-filling. Therefore, in the magnetic fluctuation dom-

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inated regime, the superconductivity due to the AFM fluctuation is largely dependent on n as shown in Fig. 8 (a), where T_c is considered to show significant n dependence. On the other hand, in the orbital fluctuation dominated regime, the superconductivity due to the FO fluctuation is weakly dependent on n as shown in Fig. 8 (b), where T_c is expected to show weak n dependence. The latter regime seems to be consistent with the iron-based superconductors where the high- T_c superconductivity is observed even in the case with heavily electron-doped compounds as mentioned in § 1.

4. SUMMARY AND DISCUSSIONS

In summary, we have investigated the electronic state and the superconductivity in the two-orbital Hubbard-Holstein model for iron-based superconductors to elucidate the effect of interplay between the electron correlation and the JT electron-phonon coupling by using the DMFT+ED method which enables us to sufficiently include the local correlation effects. What we have found are as follows: (1) In the absence of J and g, χ_s and χ_o

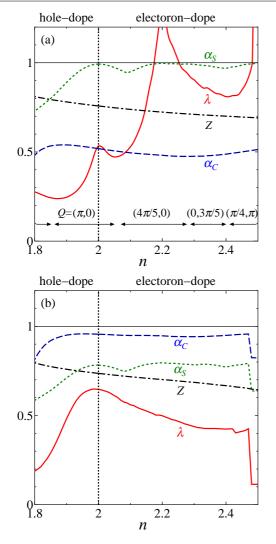


Fig. 8. (Color online) The largest eigenvalues α_s , α_c and λ which reach unity towards the magnetic, charge-orbital and superconducting instabilities together with the renormalization factor Z as functions of the electron filling n for U' = 4, J = J' = 0.4, $2g^2/\omega_0 = 0.54$ (a) and for U' = 4, J = J' = 0.2, $2g^2/\omega_0 = 0.6$ (b).

are equally enhanced due to the effect of U = U'. (2) In the presence of J and g, there are distinct two regimes: for $J \gtrsim 2g^2/\omega_0$, χ_s is enhanced relative to χ_o and shows a divergence with $Z \rightarrow 0$ at the Mott metal-insulator transition $J = J_c$, while for $J \lesssim 2g^2/\omega_0$, χ_o is enhanced relative to χ_s and shows a divergence with $Z \to 0$ at the bipolaronic metal-insulator transition $g = g_c$. (3) In the former regime, the superconductivity is mediated by the AFM fluctuation enhanced due to the Fermi-surface nesting and is largely dependent on the doping, while in the latter regime, the superconductivity is mediated by the FO fluctuation enhanced due to the interplay between the electron correlation and the JT electron-phonon coupling without the FS nesting effect and is weakly dependent on the doping. The latter regime seems to be consistent with the iron-based superconductors where the high- T_c superconductivity is observed even in the case with heavily electron-doped compounds.

Recently, several authors have investigated the electron correlation effects in the two orbital Hubbard

model.^{61–64)} The Mott metal-insulator transition has already been discussed within the slave spin mean-field approximation and has been found to occur at $U_c \sim 2.5W$ with J = 0 and $U_c \sim 1.5W$ with $J = 0.2U.^{62}$ The results are consistent with the present DMFT results in the absence of the JT electron-phonon coupling. The most remarkable point of the present study is the effect of interplay between the electron correlation and the JT electron-phonon coupling which is responsible for the FO order and its fluctuation. It has been found that, due to the correlation effects beyond the RPA, the FO order is stabilized relative to the AFM order and the superconducting region due to the FO fluctuation is expanded while that due to the AFM fluctuation is reduced. Although the present model is a simplified version of the multi-orbital electron-phonon models for iron-based superconductors,^{10–13,71}) the essential feature is expected to be well described. Explicit calculations for such realistic models as a straightforward but a rather CPU-time consuming extension of the present study are now under way.

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