Universal properties of Bose-Fermi mixtures with a pairing interaction

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I will present a many-body diagrammatic formalism that is able to describe the condensed phase of a Bose-Fermi mixture in the presence of a contact pairing interaction between bosons and fermions, from weak to strong boson-fermion couplings. This approach will be validated by comparing it with previous [1] and new dedicated fixed-node diffusion Monte Carlo calculations. By using both methods, a universal behavior of the condensate fraction and bosonic momentum distribution with respect to the boson concentration $n_{\rm B}/n_{\rm F}$ will be unveiled, which extends from unitary concentration down to the limit of vanishing boson density. This universality connects some important properties of a Bose-Fermi mixture with corresponding properties of the polaron problem, which much attention has received in the context of strongly-interacting polarized Fermi gases. Finally, I will discuss an interesting effect occurring in the molecular limit of the boson-fermion coupling, where the condensation is completely suppressed [2]. This phenomenon is an indirect effect on the bosons of the Pauli exclusion principle acting on the fermions, and is the counterpart in a Bose-Fermi mixture of the so called "Sarma phase" discussed for polarized Fermi gases.

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