# Understanding electronic correlations in warm dense quantum plamas



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#### **Part I:** Introduction 10 $r_s=10$ 0.1 Ξ Classical plasma 9 ് 8 Red giar Solar core 7 log<sub>10</sub> T / K = (Hu.et al., White dwar T=100eV 6 T=10eV 5 Giant planets 4 Earth core Ideal 3 8=0. Fermi gas Metals 2 26 18 20 22 24 28 30 log<sub>10</sub> n / cm<sup>-3</sup>

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# Ab-initio Quantum Monte Carlo (QMC) simulations



### **Problem:**

• **Density functional theory (DFT)** etc. require external input about XC-effects

 $\rightarrow$  finite *T*: XC-<u>free</u> energy f<sub>xc</sub>

### Solution:

• Quantum Monte Carlo methods in principle allow for exact solution of quantum many-body problems <u>without</u> any empirical input

• Finite T: Path Integral Monte Carlo (PIMC)



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#### **Example:**

Hydrogen at T=65,000K

 $r_s = 2$ 

(a) Ground-state LDA by PerdewAnd Zunger, PRB (1980) [PZ](b) our thermal LDA[GDSMFB]

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#### Density response functions, local field correction

• Dynamic density response function

$$\chi(q,\omega) = \frac{\chi_0(q,\omega)}{1 - \frac{4\pi}{q^2} [1 - G(q,\omega)] \chi_0(q,\omega)}$$

- $\rightarrow \chi_0(q,\omega)$  ideal density response function
- →  $G(q, \omega)$  dynamic local field correction, <u>containing all</u> <u>electronic XC-effects</u>

 $G(q,\omega) = -K_{xc}(q,\omega)/v(q)$ 

- <u>Static limit</u>: Exact QMC results for  $\chi(q) := \chi(q, 0)$ , G(q)
- Extensive PIMC data for LFC G(q) for ~50  $r_{s}$ - $\theta$  combinations

#### Neural net representation covering full WDM regime.



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#### PIMC snapshot of hydrogen at rs=2, $\theta$ =1



Green orbs: protons Blue paths: quantum degenerate electrons



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Electronic density response of H at  $\theta = 1$ 



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Invert density response to get XC kernel / LFC

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### **XC** kernel from **DFT** without functional derivatives

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#### **Example:** uniform electron gas





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#### Example: Be@NIF (Döppner et al)





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**θ**=75°

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S<sub>ee</sub>(q)



→ exact PIMC results for NIF conditions

→ study e-e correlations (not possible with DFT)

 $\rightarrow$  all spectral information in the ITCF

→ predict experiments, guide developments

 $\rightarrow$  benchmark for approximate methods etc

→ H, He, Li, LiH, Be, ... ?

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