

DYNAMICAL Pair Excitations in the Electron Gas

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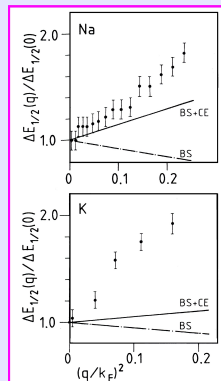
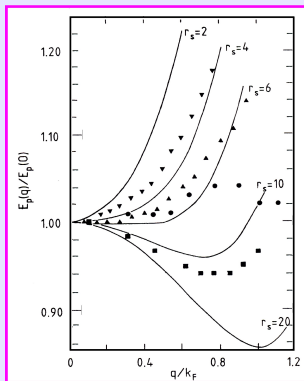
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plasmons in metals

alkali metals:

EELS
experiments

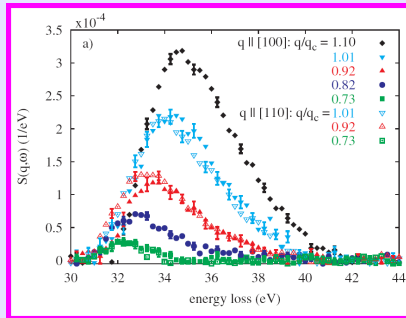
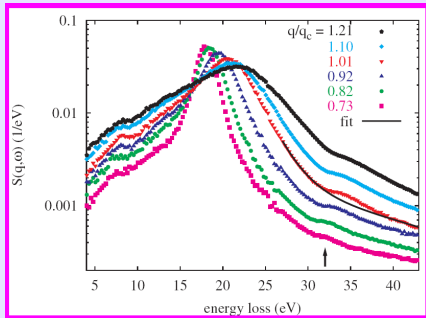
vom Felde, Sprösser-Prou,
Fink, PRB (89)



- long wavelength damping **only** explainable by multi-pair excitations
- dispersion: **both** single-pair and multi-pair correlations decrease the dispersion

recent findings

Al, Na: IXS experiments (probe larger q)



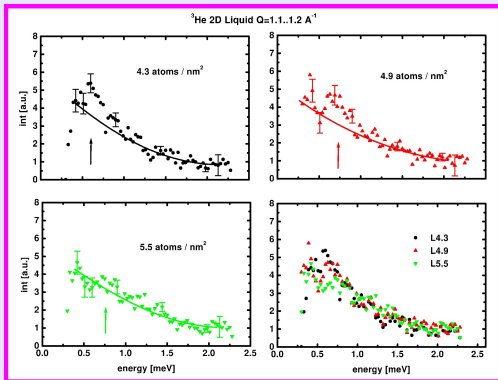
Sternemann, Huotari, Vanko, Volmer, Monaco, Gusarov, Lustfeld, Sturm, Schülke
PRL (05)

- peak clearly attributable to **intrinsic double-plasmon** excitations, genuine correlation effect, not caused by the crystal potential
- in agreement with theoretical predictions: Sturm/Gusarov, PRB (00)

dynamic structure factor of ${}^3\text{He}$

$$S(q, \omega) \propto \frac{d^2\sigma}{d\omega d\Omega}$$

neutron
scattering
experiments



2D

Meschke et al
(2003)

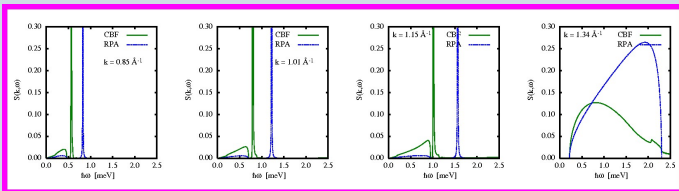
- clear signature of a collective mode
- significant strength above particle–hole continuum
- energetically **much lower** than in conventional theories

We can do it **BETTER** than with m^*

aim(s):

- give a first-principles description for fermions
- that invokes **dynamical** multi-particle \rightarrow **pair** correlations
- and apply it to 3d & 2d ^3He and 3d & 2d electrons

previously reached goals



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 CMT31,
 (06)

- captures the right physics, but still lacks quantitative agreement
- exp shape much broader, $q \rightarrow 0$ behavior not fully correct

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$$\psi \propto \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Jastrow correl. fct}}}{F} e^{\frac{1}{2} \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Slater det}}}{U(t)}} |\Phi_0\rangle \equiv \psi [c_{ph}^{(1)}, c_{pp'hh'}^{(2)}]$$

$$U(t) = \sum_{ph} c_{ph}^{(1)}(t) a_p^\dagger a_h + \sum_{pp'hh'} c_{pp'hh'}^{(2)}(t) a_p^\dagger a_{p'}^\dagger a_h a_{h'}$$

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action principle

$$\delta \left[S = \langle \psi | H + H^{\text{ext}} + \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} | \psi \rangle \right] \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

⇒ eqs of motion for $c^{(1)}$, $c^{(2)}$

linear response

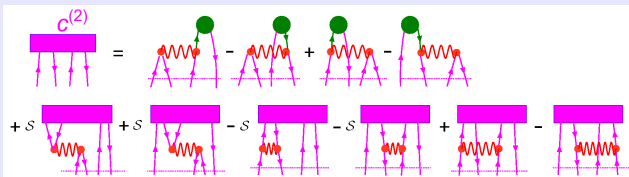
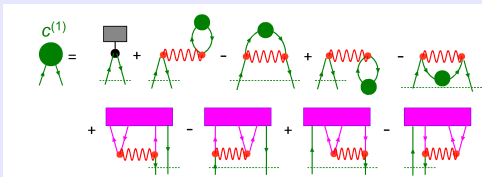
- assume **small** perturbation H^{ext}
- $F\Phi_0 =$ good description of the (unperturbed) ground state
- ⇒ keep only **linear** terms in H^{ext} , $c^{(1)}$, $c^{(2)}$

density

$$\rho = \frac{\langle \psi | \hat{\rho} | \psi \rangle}{\langle \psi | \psi \rangle} \approx \langle \hat{\rho} \rangle^0 + \delta\rho^{(1)} + \dots$$

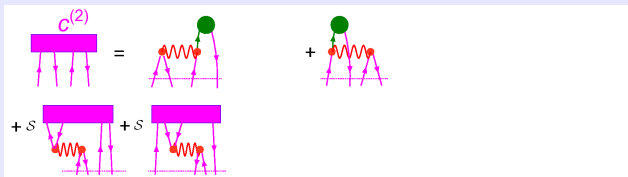
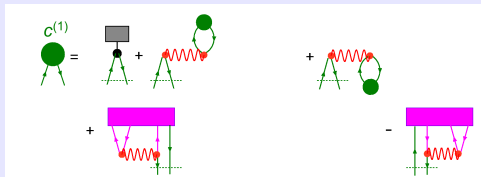
$$\delta\rho^{(1)} =: \chi H^{\text{ext}}$$

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 - in particular: omit exchange
 - and „similar” contributions (e.g. ladders)
 - fully correlated EOMs: product decoupling of overlap $\mathcal{N}^{(4)}$

EOMS: approximations

additional approximations:

- ① assume **local** pair excitation operator $c_{php'h'}^{(2)} \rightarrow c_{(p-h)(p'-h')}^{(2)}$
- ② & replace $c_{ph}^{(1)} \rightarrow c_{(p-h)}^{(1)}$ (only) in eq for $c^{(2)}$

$\hat{=}$ equivalent to replacing these by their **Fermi sea average**

What does that mean?

Fermi sea average in Lindhard fct $\hat{=}$ collapse ph -continuum into a single mode $\hat{=}$ „SPA“ = „PPA“ = „CA“ instead of RPA

- \Rightarrow pair excitations not treated as continuum
- \Rightarrow will need to be released for describing plasmon damping properly

response fct

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$V_{\text{ph}}(q) \dots$
 $\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{„particle-hole interaction”} \dots & \text{„diagram people”} \\ \text{„pseudopotential”} & \dots \text{ „non-CondMatt people” (Pines)} \\ \text{„local field correction”} & \dots \text{ „electron gas people”} \end{array} \right.$

identical for χ^{cRPA} and χ^{2Pair} !

Local Field Corrections (LFCs)

always possible: **define** some effective $\tilde{V}(q, \omega)$ (electrons: $v_q = \text{Coulomb}$)
 via

$$\chi(q, \omega) =: \frac{\chi^0}{1 - \tilde{V}(q, \omega)\chi^0} =: \frac{\chi^0}{1 - v_q(1 - \mathcal{G})\chi^0}$$

approximate exact $\tilde{V}(q, \omega) \rightarrow \tilde{V}_{\text{approx}}(q)$

$$\tilde{V}_{\text{approx}}(q) \leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \chi(q, \omega=0) & \text{static response} & \kappa \text{ sum rule} \\ \chi(q, \omega \rightarrow \infty) & \text{high frequency} & \omega^3 \text{ sum rule} \\ S(q) \propto \int d\omega \Im \chi & \text{static structure} & \omega^0 \text{ sum rule} \end{cases}$$

egas: 1957 Hubbard, 1968 STLS (Tas/Tomak \rightarrow (06), Moudgil/Senatore/Saini (02)) and many others;

$$\text{beyond static } \tilde{V}(q) \quad \frac{\chi^0}{1 - \tilde{V}(q, \omega)\chi^0} \quad \leftarrow ? \rightarrow \quad \frac{\chi^s}{1 - V_{\text{ph}}(q)\chi^s - \Gamma(q, \omega)}$$

self motion

Sjögren/Sjölander (78): dynamics of correlation hole surrounding a particle in classical fluids

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$$\omega^3 \Rightarrow \tilde{V}(q \rightarrow 0, \infty) : \boxed{v_q + \frac{4}{15} \varepsilon^{\text{pot}}} + 2(\varepsilon^{\text{kin}} - \frac{3}{5} \varepsilon_{\text{F}}) \leftrightarrow \boxed{v_q + \frac{4}{15} \varepsilon^{\text{pot}}}$$

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message:

$$\frac{\chi^0}{1 - \tilde{V} \chi^0} \leftarrow ? \rightarrow \frac{\chi^s}{1 - \dots}$$

though math. equivalent, some effects better in numerator (physics point of view!)

responsefct: details

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$$\chi^s = \chi^0 - \chi^{0+}\chi^{0-}(\mathcal{A}^+ + \mathcal{A}^-) \frac{S_q}{S_q^0} \quad \chi^{0\pm} \equiv \sum \frac{n_{\mathbf{k}}^0(1-n_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^0)}{\pm\omega - (t_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}} - t_{\mathbf{k}})}$$

$$V_{\text{ph}}(q) = \frac{q^2}{4m S_q^2} - \frac{q^2}{4m S_q^{02}}$$

same as in cRPA

fct of static structure factor $S(q)$

$$\Gamma(q, \omega) = \frac{(S^2 + S^{02})}{4SS^0} \chi^0(\mathcal{A}^+ + \mathcal{A}^-) - \frac{1}{2}(\chi^{0+} - \chi^{0-})(\mathcal{A}^+ - \mathcal{A}^-) - \chi^{0+}\chi^{0-}\mathcal{A}^+\mathcal{A}^-$$

$$\mathcal{A}^{\pm}(q, \omega) = \sum_{q'} \left[W_3(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{q}', \mathbf{q} + \mathbf{q}') \right]^2 \mu^{0\text{Pair}}(\mathbf{q}', \mathbf{q} + \mathbf{q}', \pm\omega)$$

≈ „Chuck's formula” →

vertex $W_3[S_q]$

pair Lindhard fct

time-dependent Hartree-Fock

cRPA $\hat{=}$ tdHF with eom

$$\begin{pmatrix} (+\omega - \Delta t_{p,h}) \delta_{pp'} & 0 \\ 0 & (-\omega - \Delta t_{p,h}) \delta_{pp'} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{p'h'} \\ c_{p'h'}^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{ph,p'h'} & B_{php'h',0} \\ B_{p'h',ph,0} & A_{p'h',ph} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{p'h'} \\ c_{p'h'}^* \end{pmatrix}$$

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instead

$$= \begin{pmatrix} V(q) + \mathcal{A}(q, +\omega) & V(q) \\ V(q) & V(q) + \mathcal{A}(q, -\omega) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{p'h'} \\ c_{p'h'}^* \end{pmatrix}$$

 $\Rightarrow \chi^{2\text{Pair}}$ with $S \rightarrow 1, S^0 \rightarrow 1$

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input data

$$V_{\text{ph}}(q) = \frac{q^2}{4m S_q^2} - \frac{q^2}{4m S_q^{02}} \leftarrow S(q) \in$$

ground state calcs
(take best available)

$$\mu^{\text{OPair}} = \begin{cases} \frac{S_{q'}^0 S_{q''}^0}{\pm\omega - \varepsilon_{q'} - \varepsilon_{q''}} \\ \sum \frac{n(1-n) n(1-n)}{\pm\omega - \dots} \end{cases} \quad \varepsilon_q = \frac{t_q}{S_q}$$

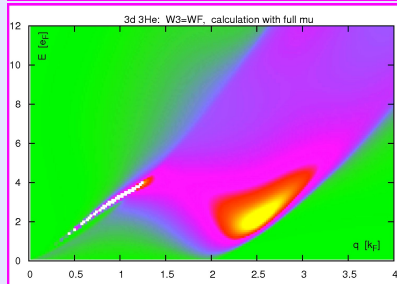
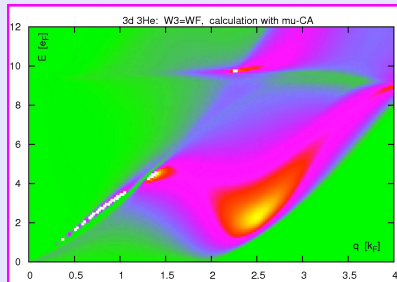
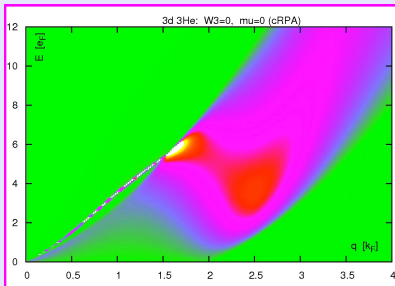
again $S(q)$
(Bogoliubov spectrum)

$$W_3 = \dots \text{ (lengthy) } = W_3[S^0, S^{0(3)}, S]$$

again $S(q)$
no free parameters



results: 3d ^3He

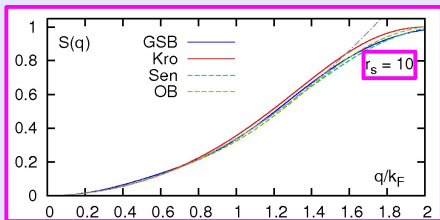
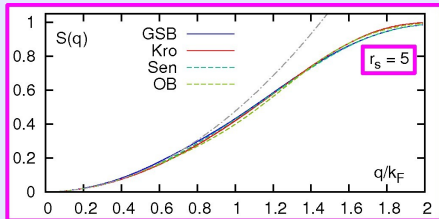
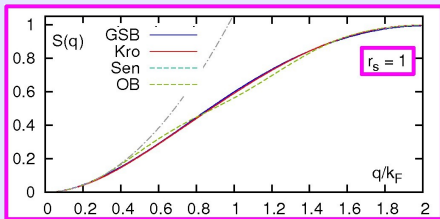


$$S(q, \omega)$$

$$\text{cRPA} \leftrightarrow \mu^0\text{CA} \leftrightarrow \mu^0\text{2Pairs}$$

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input: electrons

static structure factor $S(q)$ 

MC:

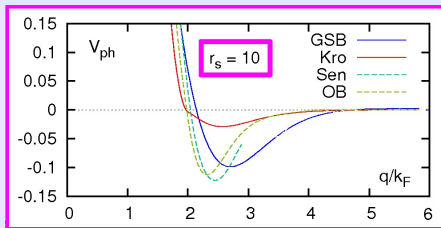
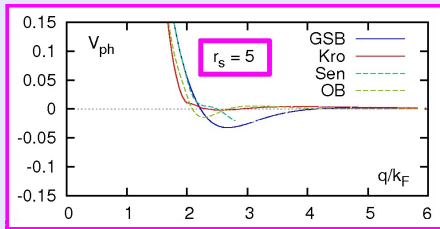
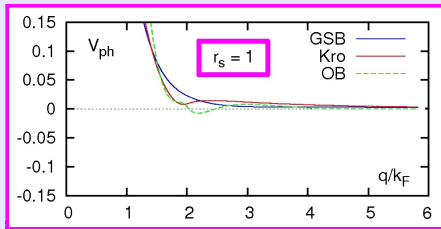
Ortiz/Ballone (94)

Senatore et al (92-98)

Gori-Giorgi, Moroni, Bachelet (04)

FHNC:

Krotscheck (78)

static V : electronsparticle-hole interaction $V_{\text{ph}}(q)$ 

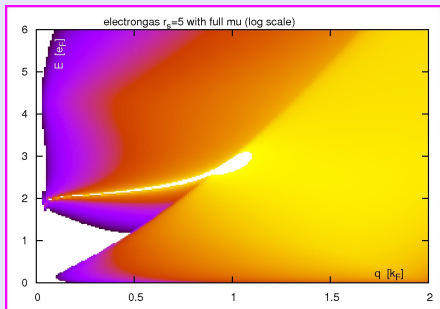
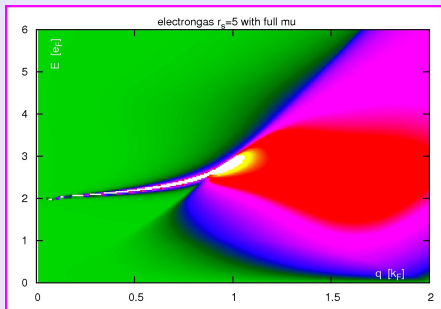
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large differences !!!

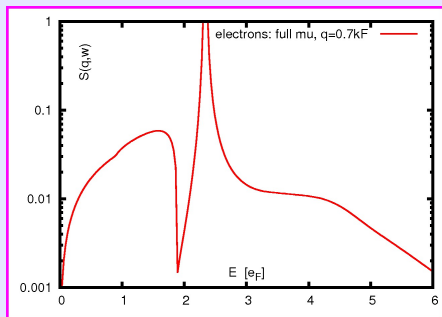
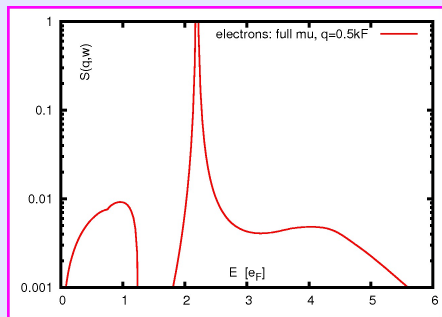


results: $S(k, \omega)$ electrons

$r_s = 5$: double-plasmon visible (S^{FHNC})



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results: $S(k, \omega)$ electrons (cont.) $r_s = 5$: double-plasmon shoulder $q = 0.5k_F$  $q = 0.7k_F$

summary / outlook

- fully microscopic description of density response fct χ of Fermions including pair-excitations
- exchange effects so far neglected
- parameter-free, input: static structure factor $S(q) \in$ ground state
- influence of the „pair continuum“ \leftrightarrow collective approx under investigation

Happy Birthday Chuck!