

# Improving Density Functional Theory (for Warm Dense Matter)



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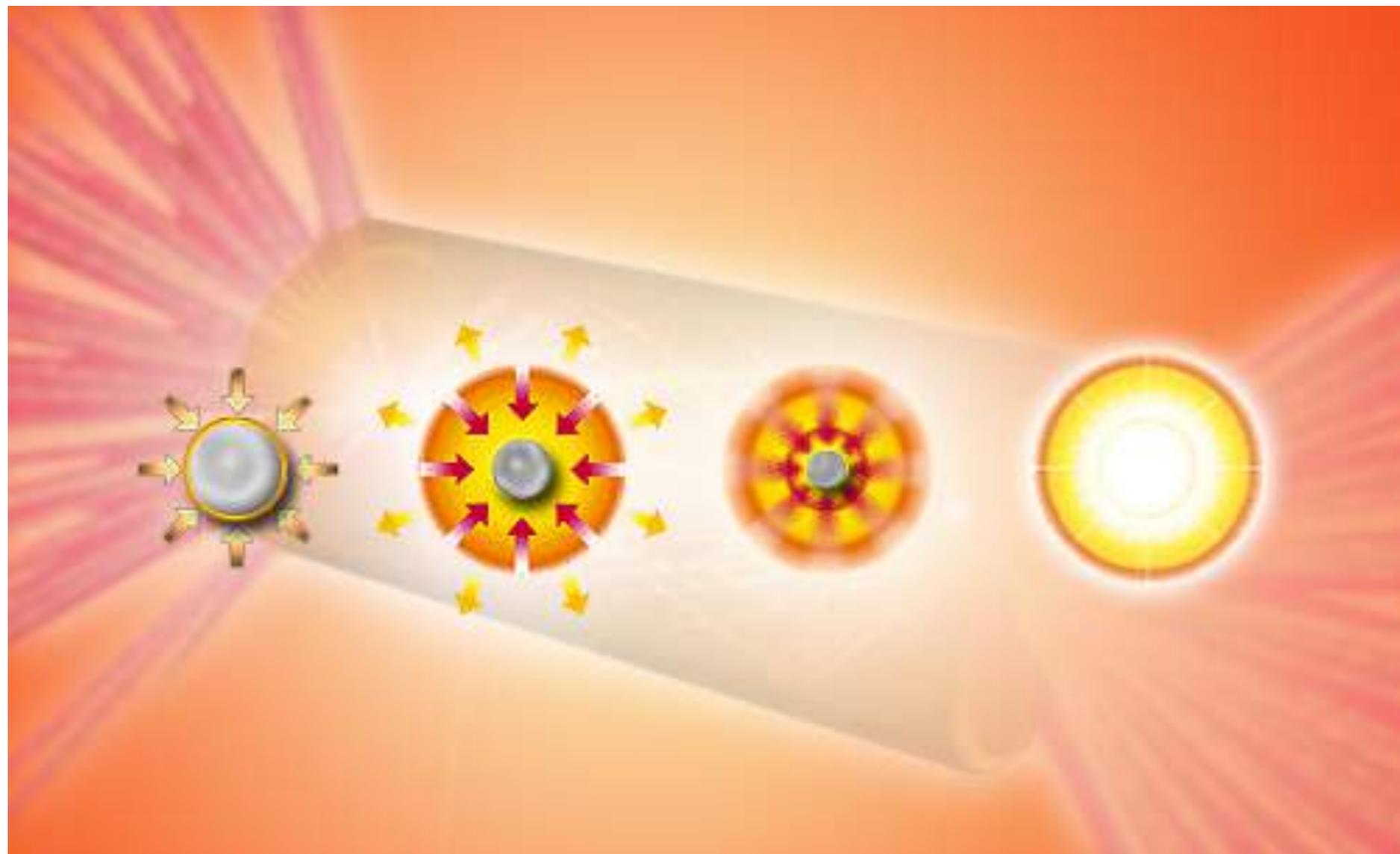
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# Inertial Confinement Fusion



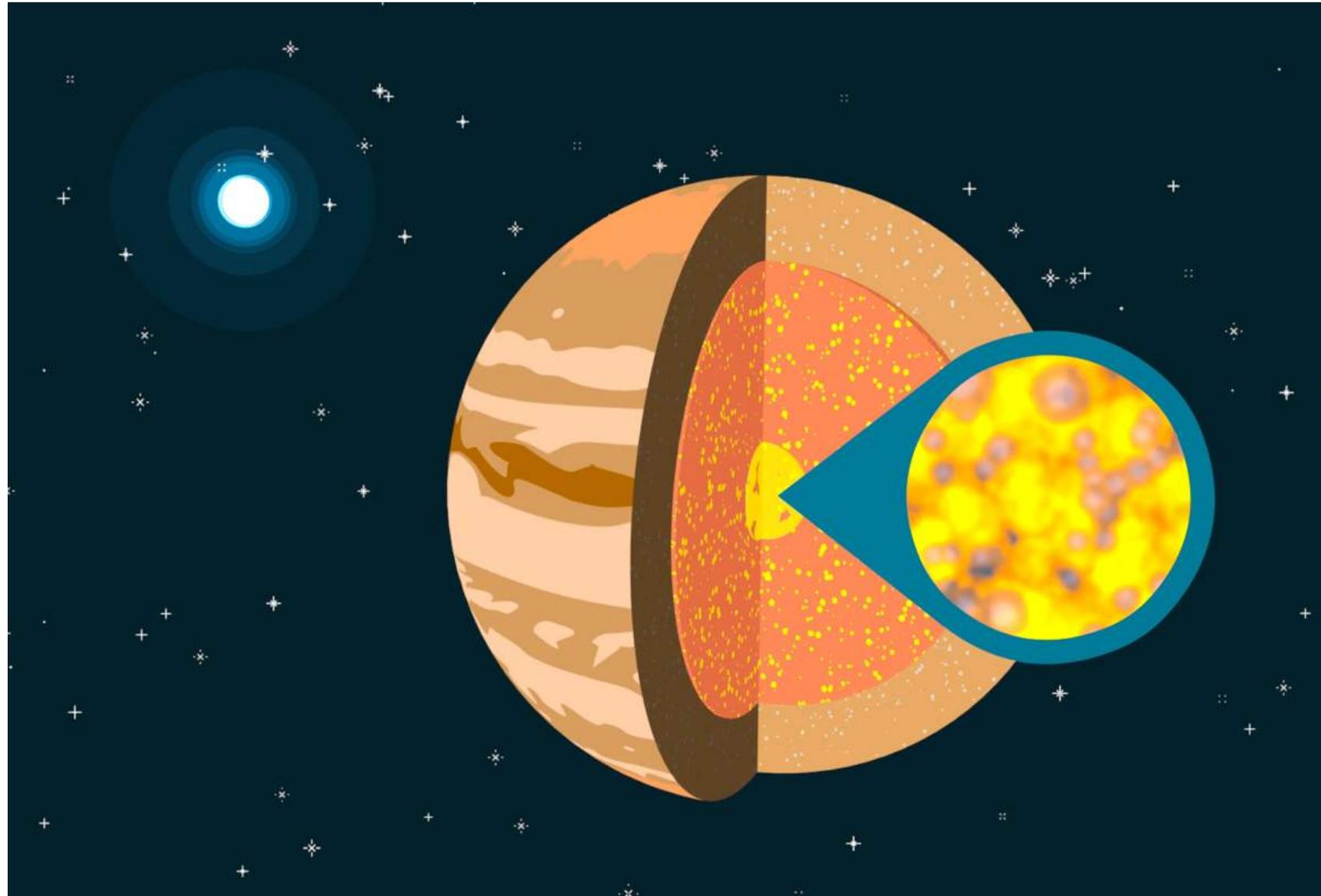
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# “Warm” Dense Planetary Cores



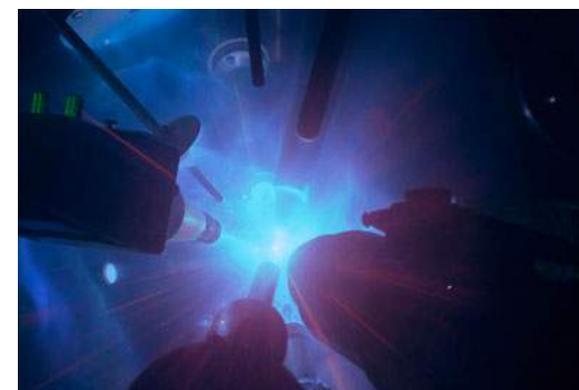
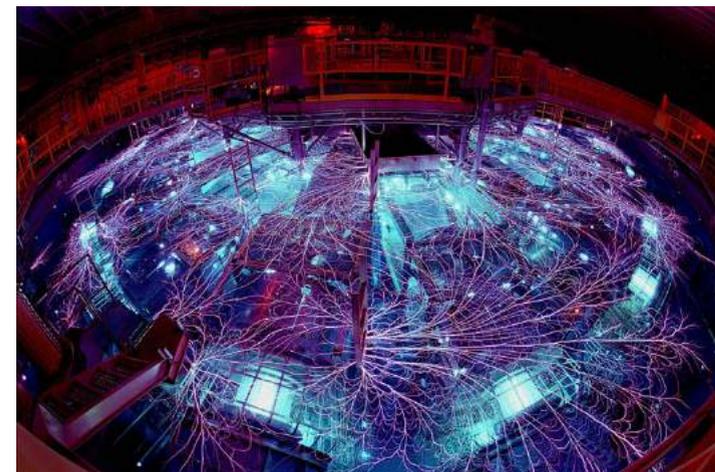
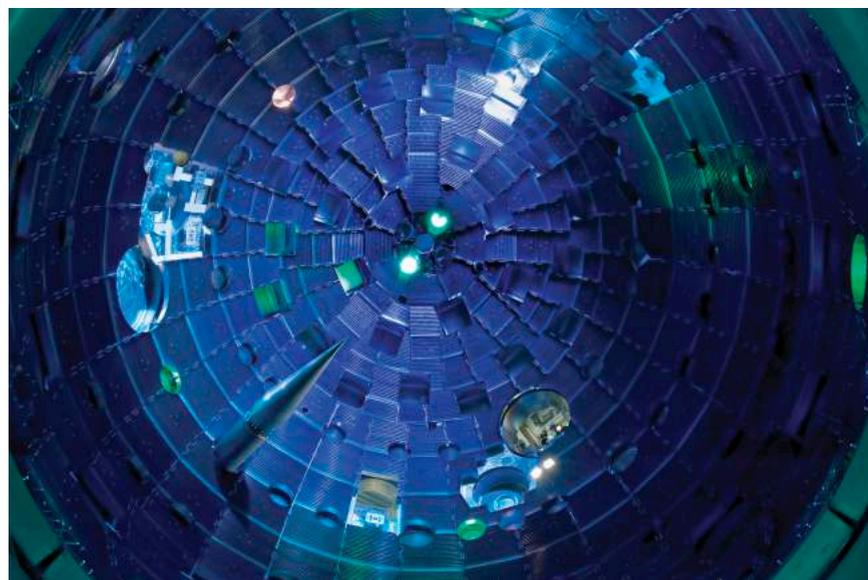
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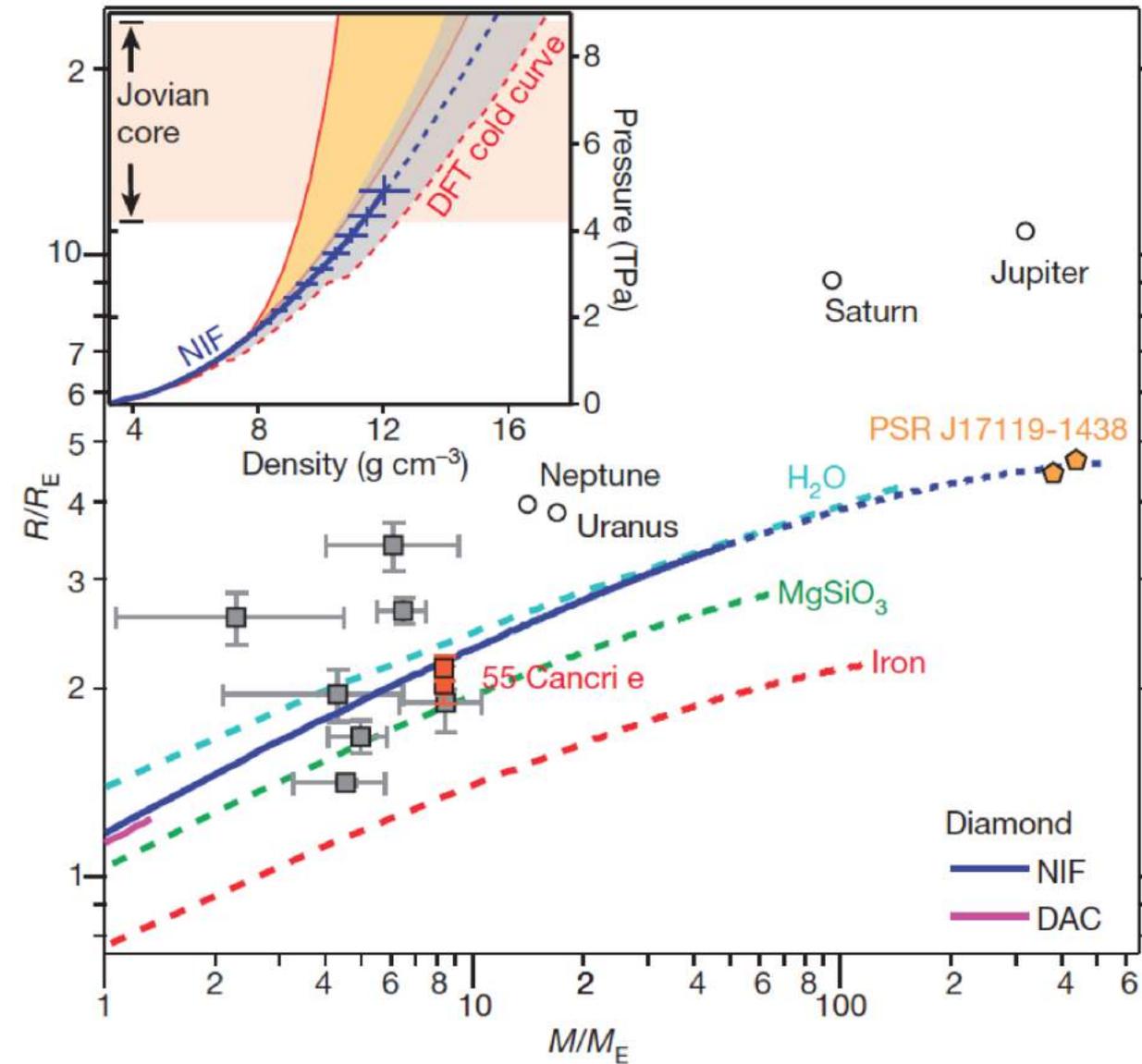
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# Warm Dense Matter



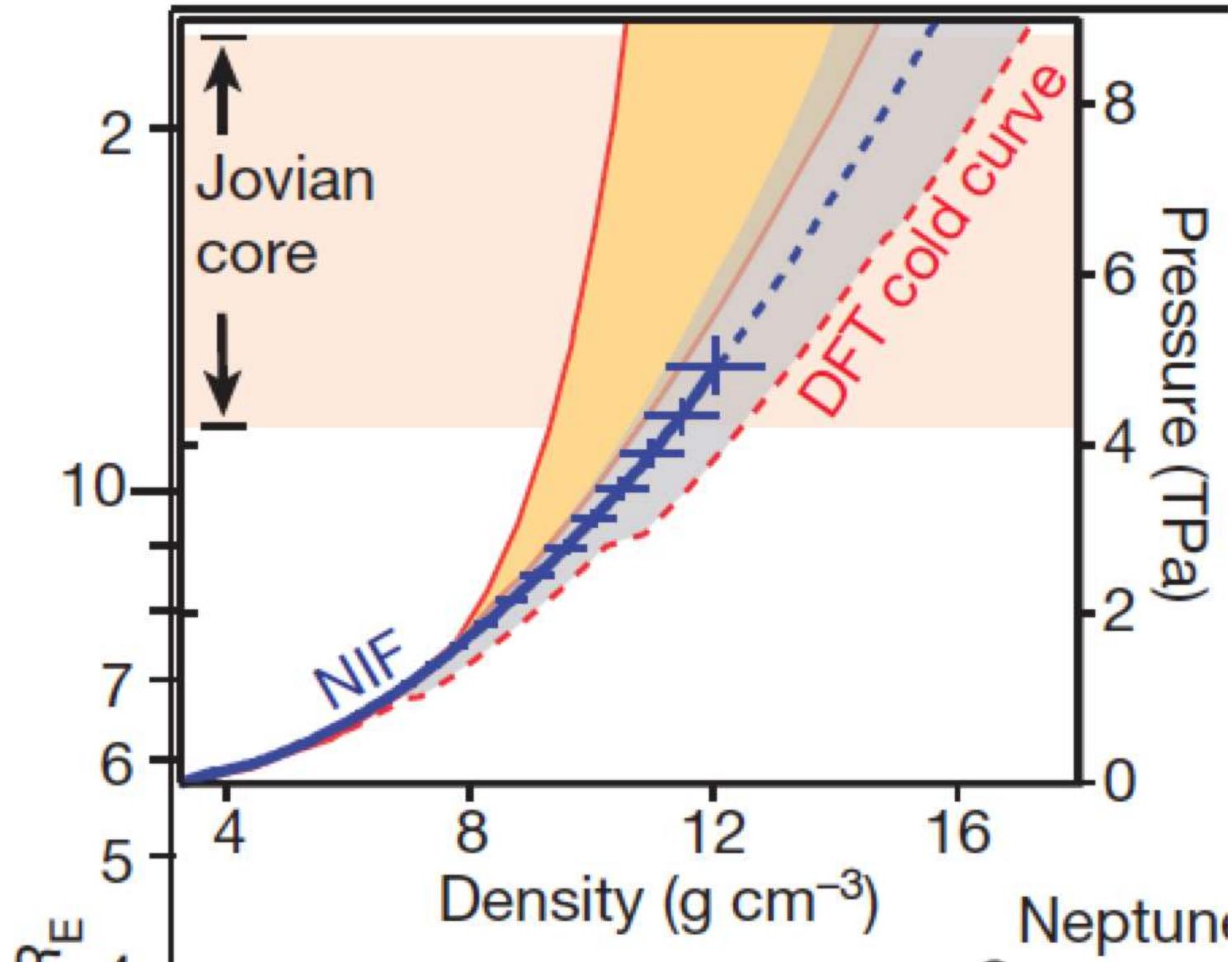
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# Experimental Probes of Planetary Conditions



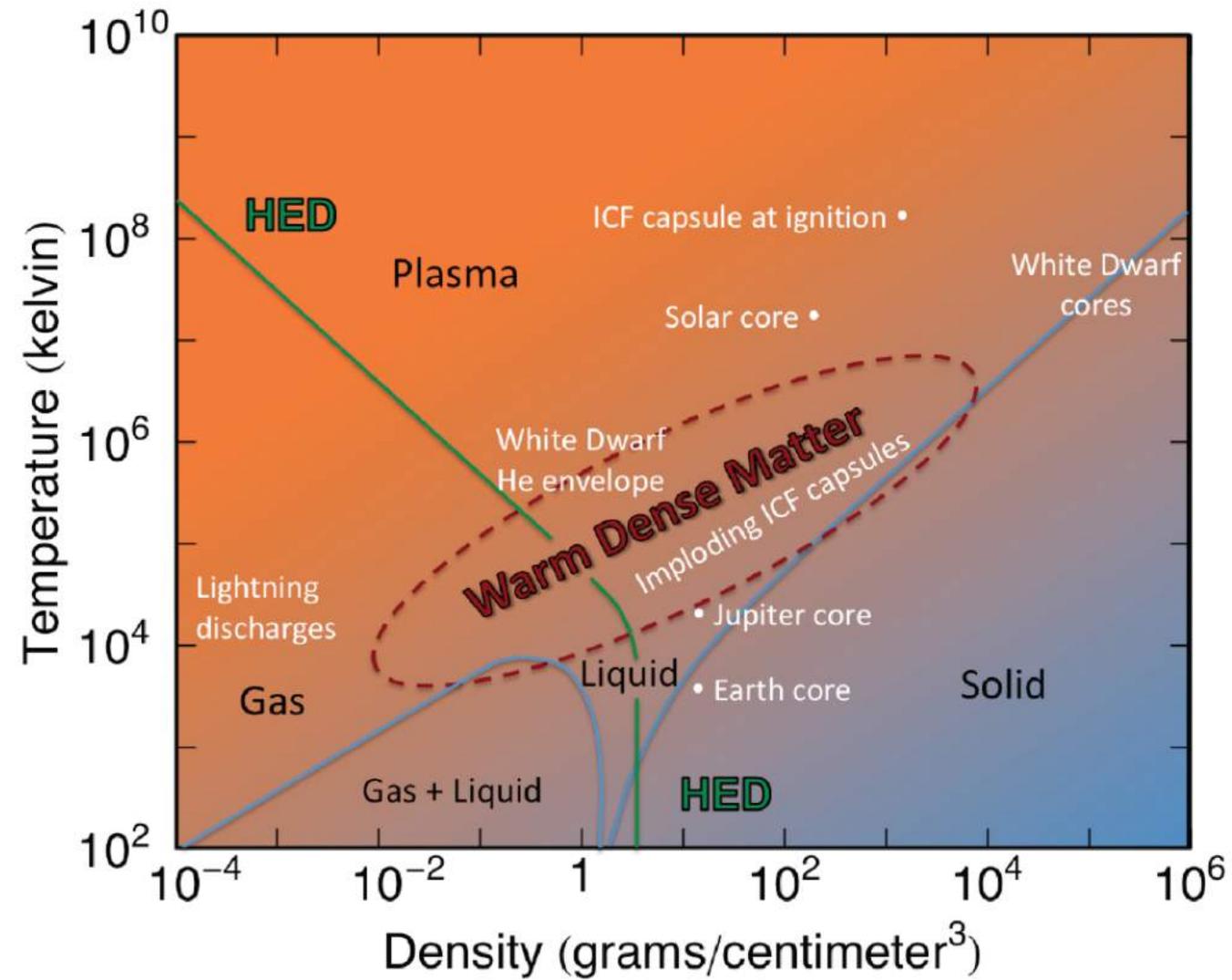
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# The Malfunction Junction



Basic Research Needs for HEDLP: Report of the Workshop on HEDLP Research, DOE (2009)

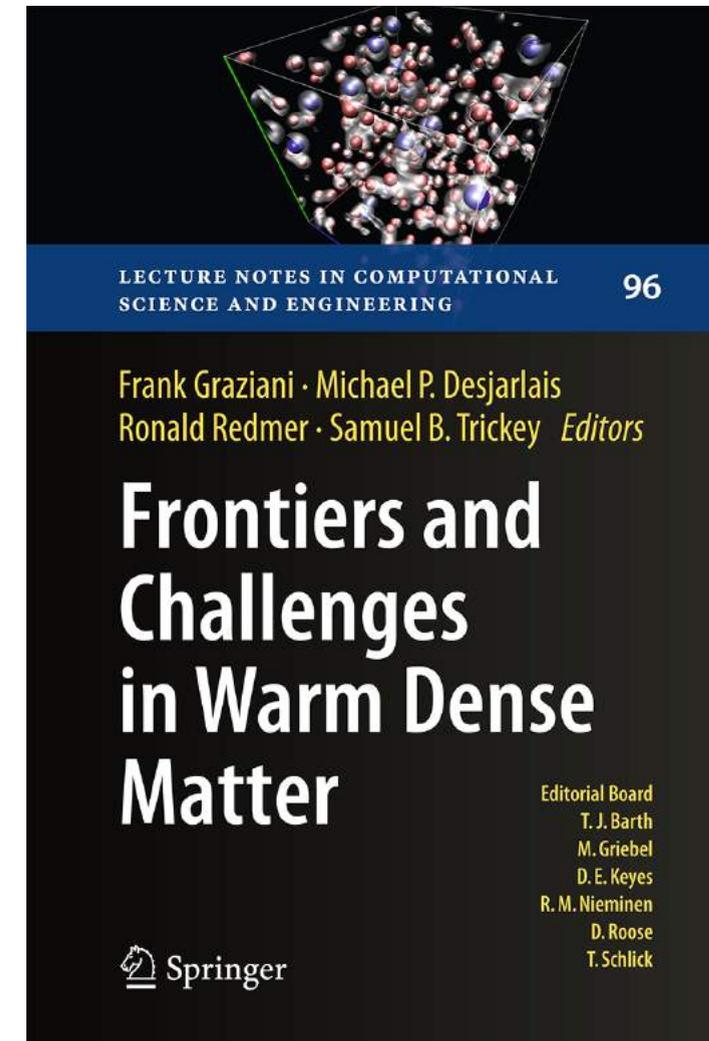
# Quantum and Classical

## Simulations are difficult!

- Quantum effects, strong correlation, partial ionization...
- Approximations affect calculated material properties

## Simulations are important!

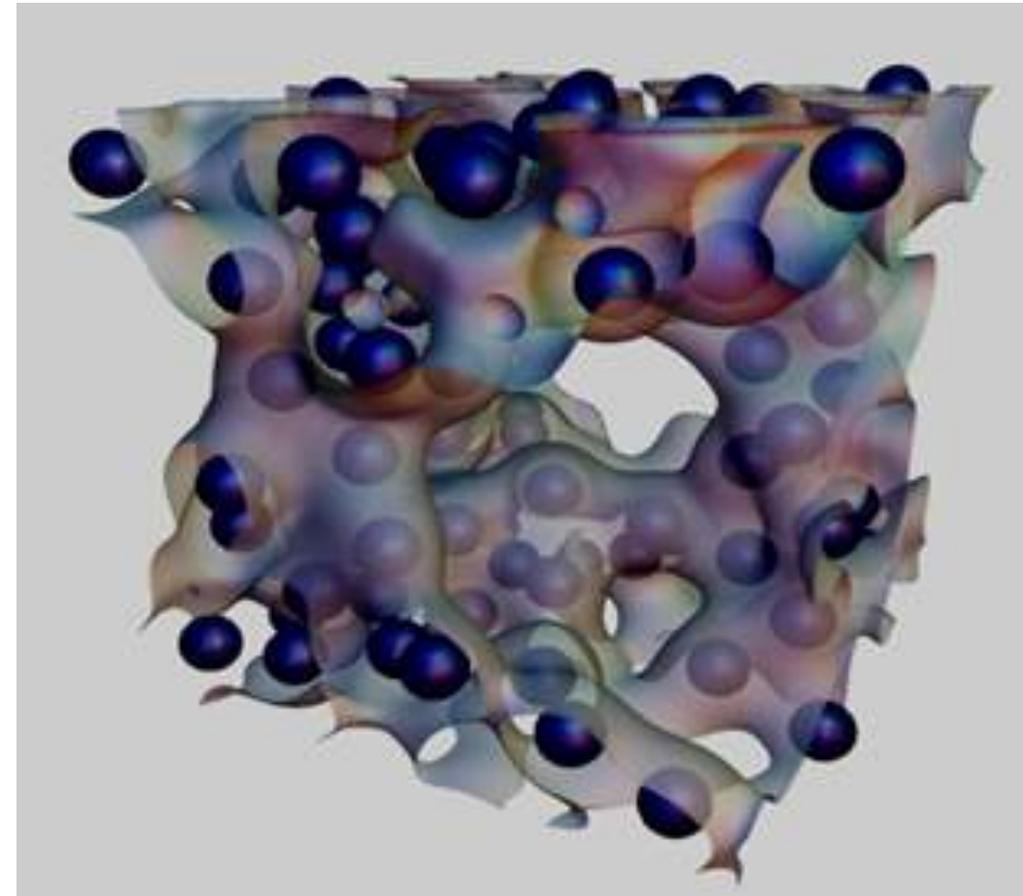
- Data used in core structure modeling, experimental design
- Experiments hard, expensive, limited



# Quantum Molecular Dynamics

Popular, but...

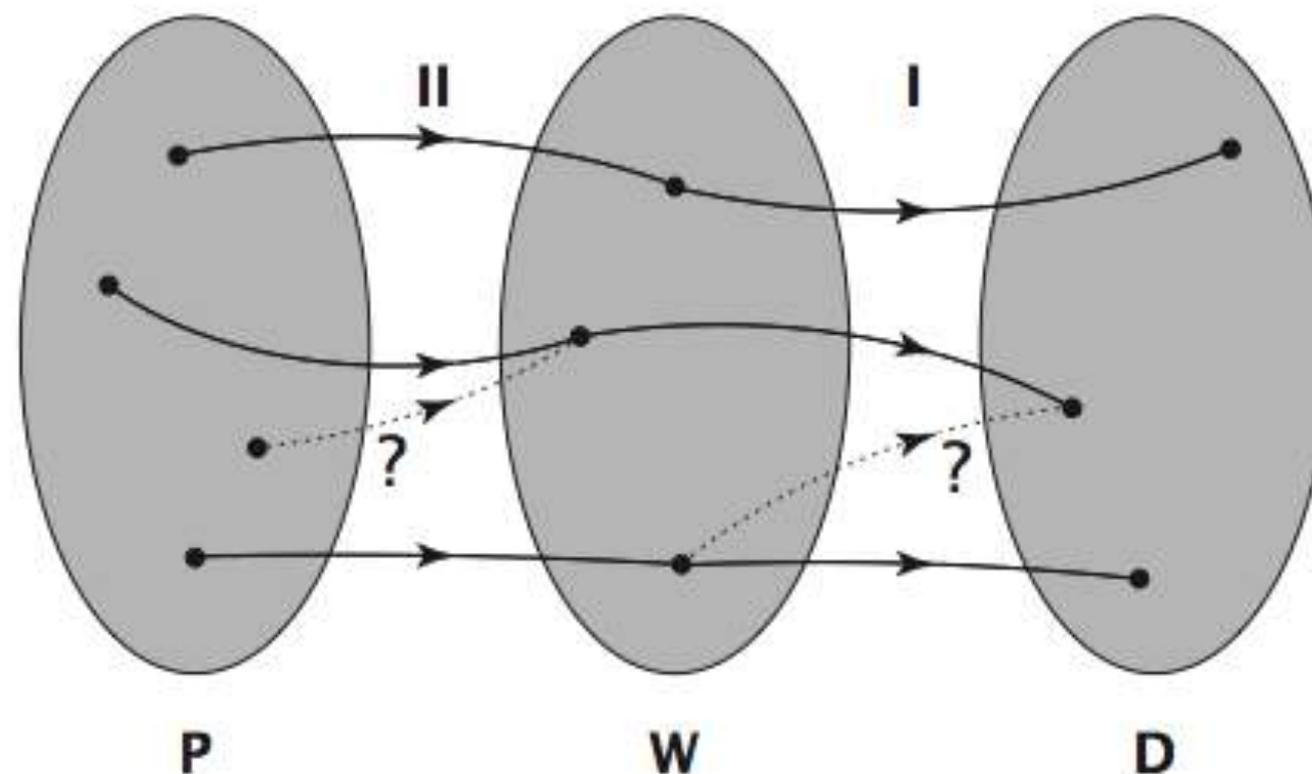
- no explicit temperature dependence in electrons
- computationally expensive
- need TD electrons for response
- no energy transfer between electrons and ions



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# Hohenberg-Kohn (1964)

1. One-to-one correspondence between potential and density

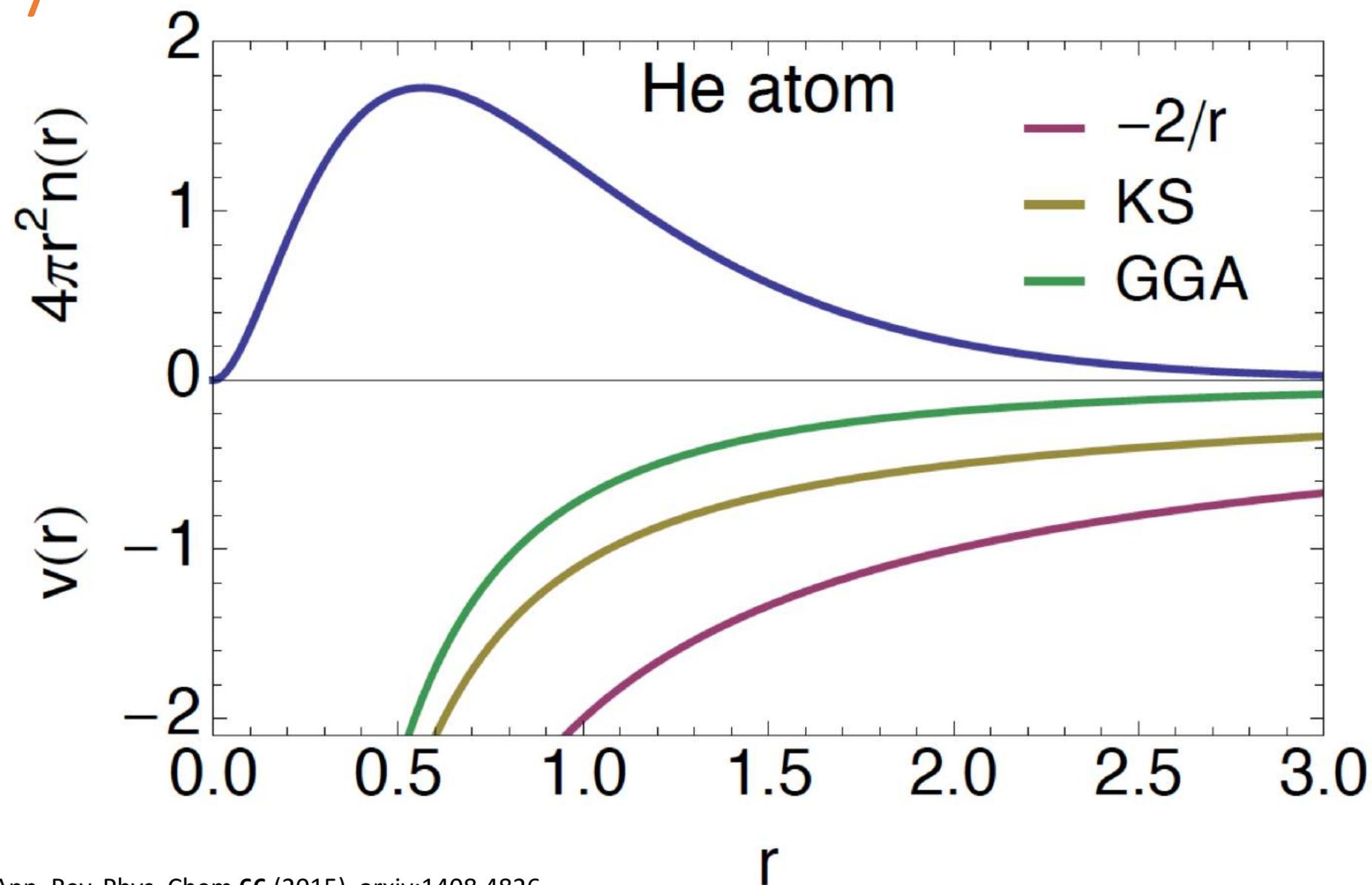


2. Energy is a functional of the density; universal piece and system-specific piece

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# Non-interacting electrons replicate interacting density

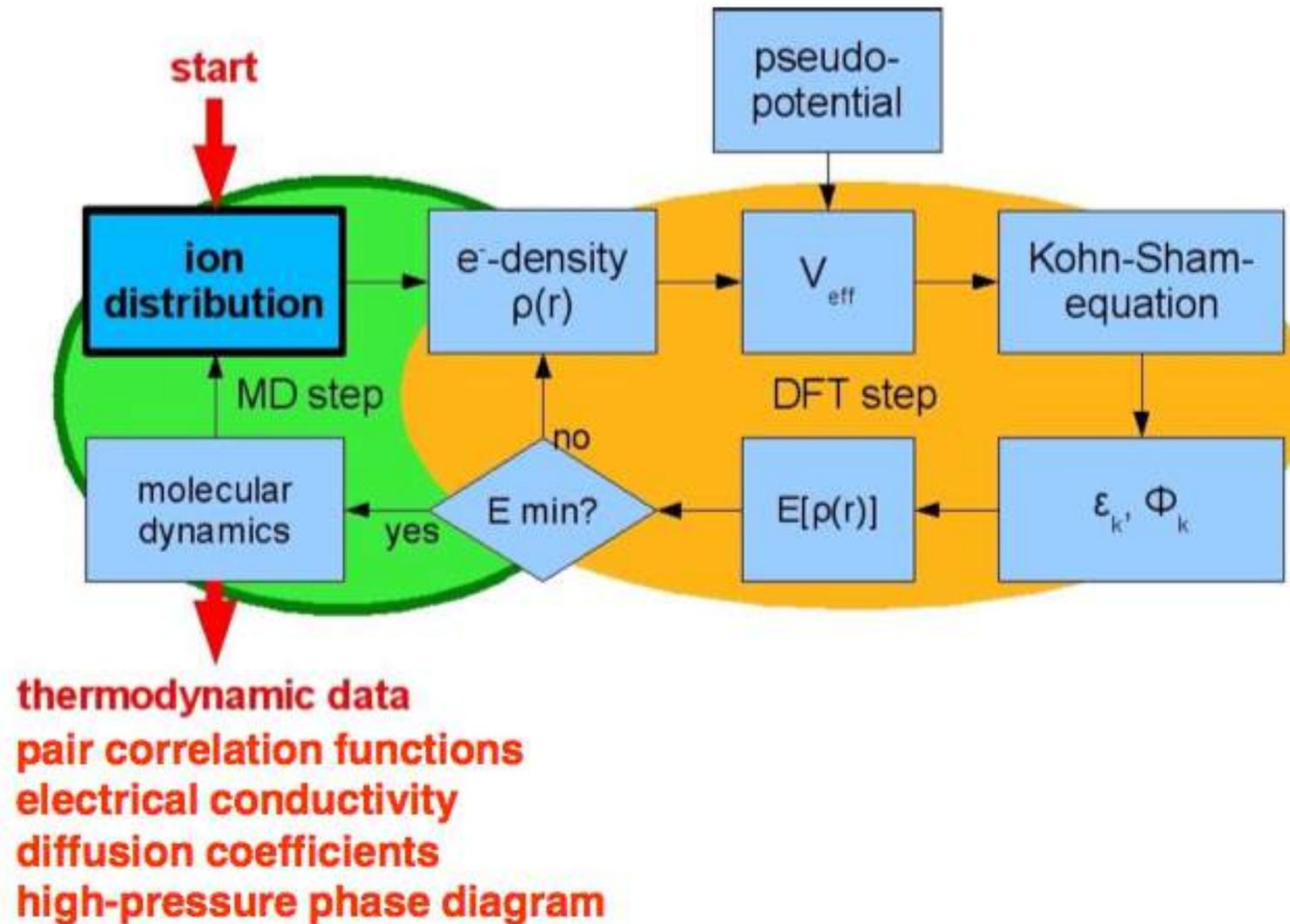


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# Kohn-Sham and Mermin (1965)

- **Mapping:** KS maps interacting system to non-interacting system
- **Approximations:** KS writes down local density approximation (LDA) and its finite-temperature version
- **Thermal ensembles:** Mermin showed HK holds for finite temperatures

# The Bottleneck



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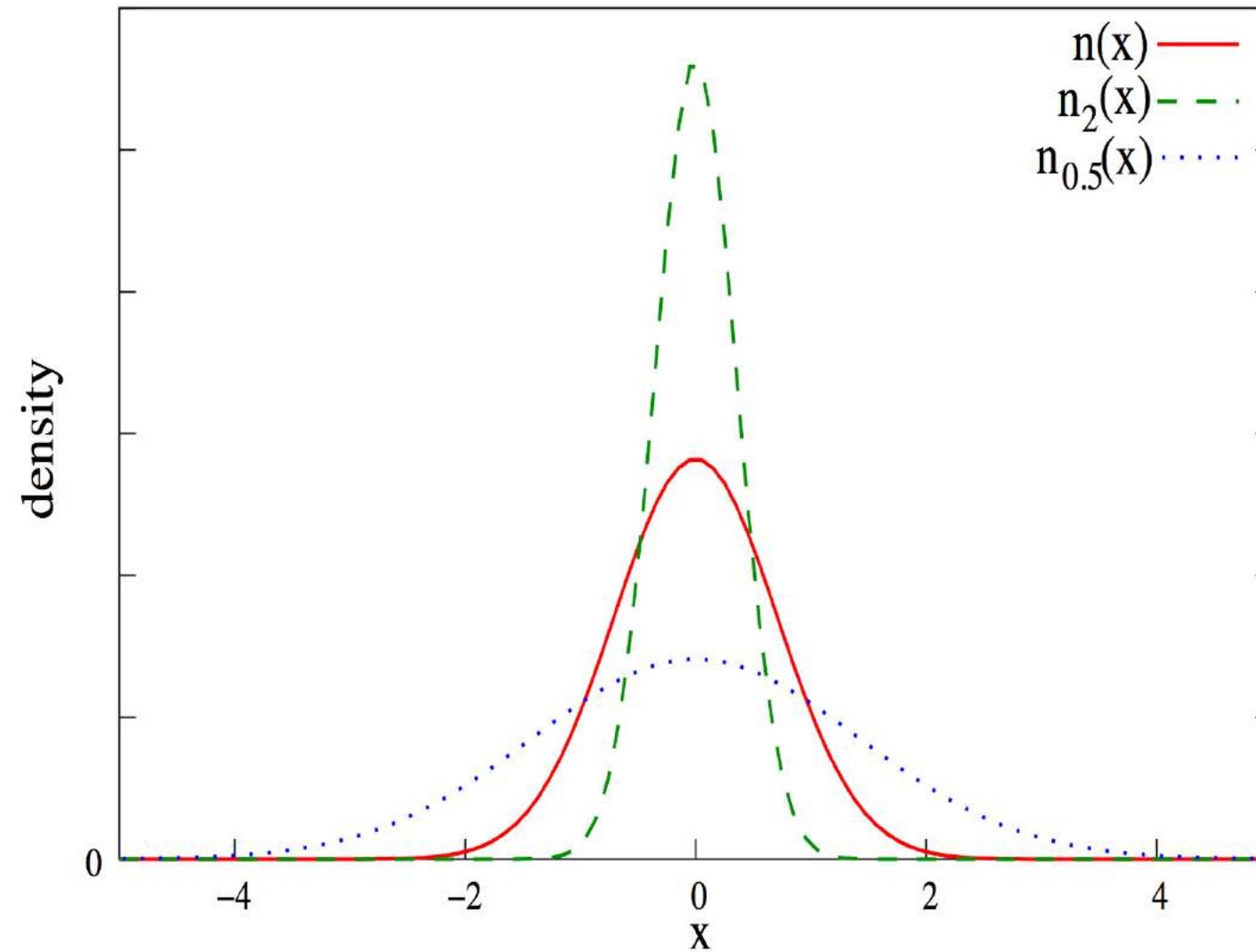
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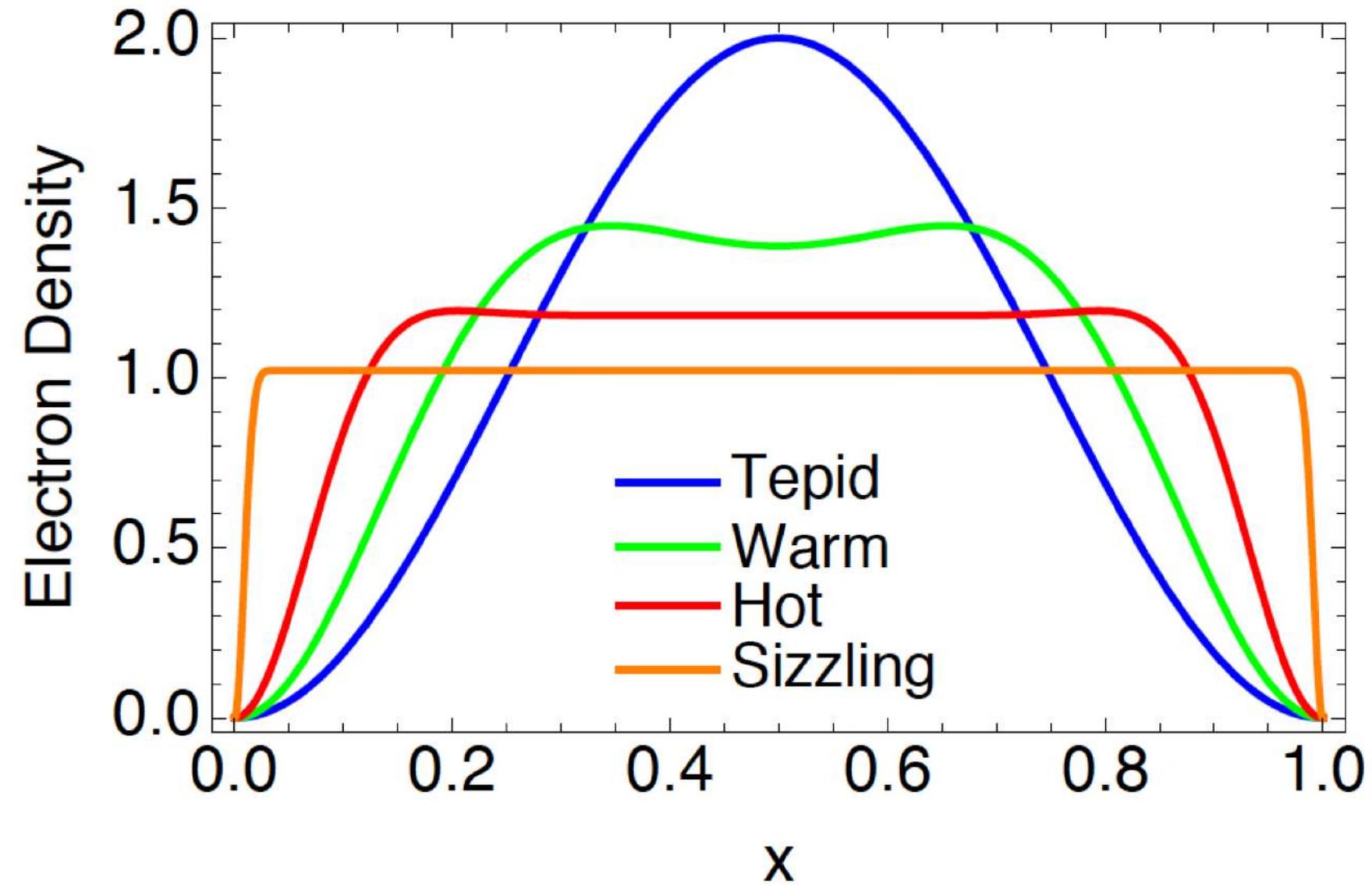
**Building Temperature-  
Dependent DFT Approximations  
from TDDFT**

# Scaling in DFT

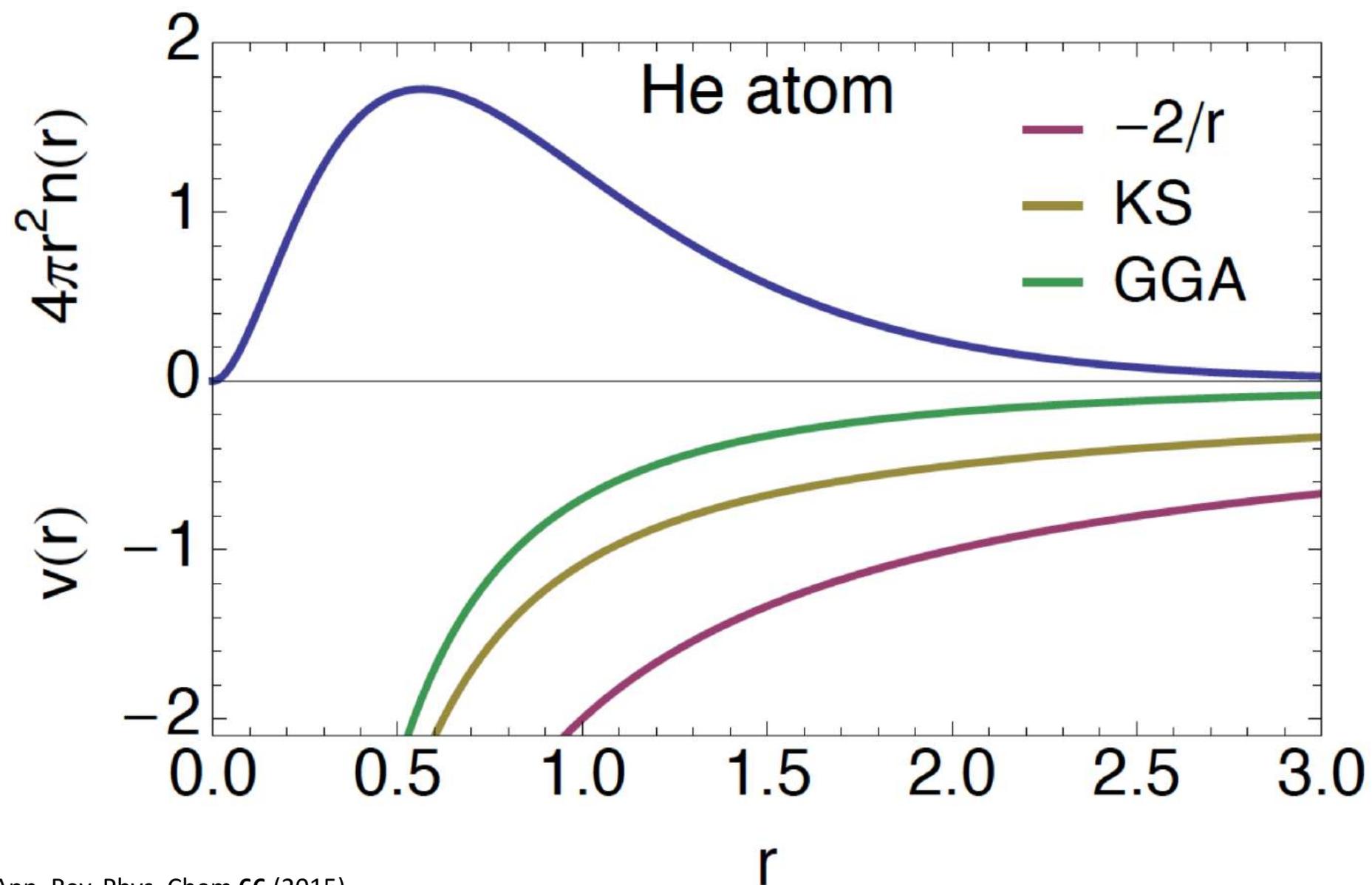


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# Heating Things Up in DFT



# Turn the Knob



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# Coordinate, Interaction, Temperature Scaling

Combine finite-temperature ACF...

$$A_C^\tau[n] = \int_0^1 \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} U_C^{\tau,\lambda}[n]$$

...with coupling constant-coordinate-temperature scaling.

$$A_{XC}^{\tau,\lambda}[n] = \lambda^2 A_{XC}^{\tau/\lambda^2}[n_{1/\lambda}]$$

Change of variables yields thermal connection formula:

$$A_{XC}^\tau[n] = \frac{\tau}{2} \lim_{\tau'' \rightarrow \infty} \int_\tau^{\tau''} \frac{d\tau'}{\tau'^2} U_{XC}^{\tau'}[n \sqrt{\tau'/\tau}]$$

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- Relates exact XC free energy to high temperature, high density limit
- Need knowledge of XC potential energy at scaled densities, **not** at scaled interaction strengths
- Reduces to plasma physics coupling-constant relation for uniform systems
- Generalization of plasma physics formula to density functionals and inhomogeneous systems

# TDDFT for WDM

- Runge-Gross (1984): one-to-one mapping between time-dependent density and potential (given initial state)
- KS still maps interacting to non-interacting system
- Common: linear response and ground-state approximations
- Stopping power and optical response calculations at Sandia, Lawrence Livermore, and Los Alamos
- New proof derived for linear response of thermal ensembles, thermal fluctuation-dissipation theorem...

# An “Application”

Using finite-temperature fluctuation-dissipation theorem for the correlation free energy in terms of the thermal density-density response function:

$$A_C^\tau[n] = \lim_{\tau'' \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\tau}{2} \int_\tau^{\tau''} \frac{d\tau'}{\tau'^2} \int d\mathbf{r} \int d\mathbf{r}' \int \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \coth\left(\frac{\omega}{2\tau}\right) \frac{\Im \Delta \chi^{\tau'}[n_\gamma](\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega)}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|}$$

Useful for computation and theory:

- Generates **new** XC approximations for FT DFT
- Provides link between finite-temperature and infinite-temperature limit

# Exchange-Correlation Approximations

Exact expression, as long as exact thermal kernel is used:

$$(\chi_S^\tau)^{-1} (12) = (\chi^\tau)^{-1} (12) + f_H(12) + f_{XC}^\tau(12)$$

Approximations to thermal XC kernel:

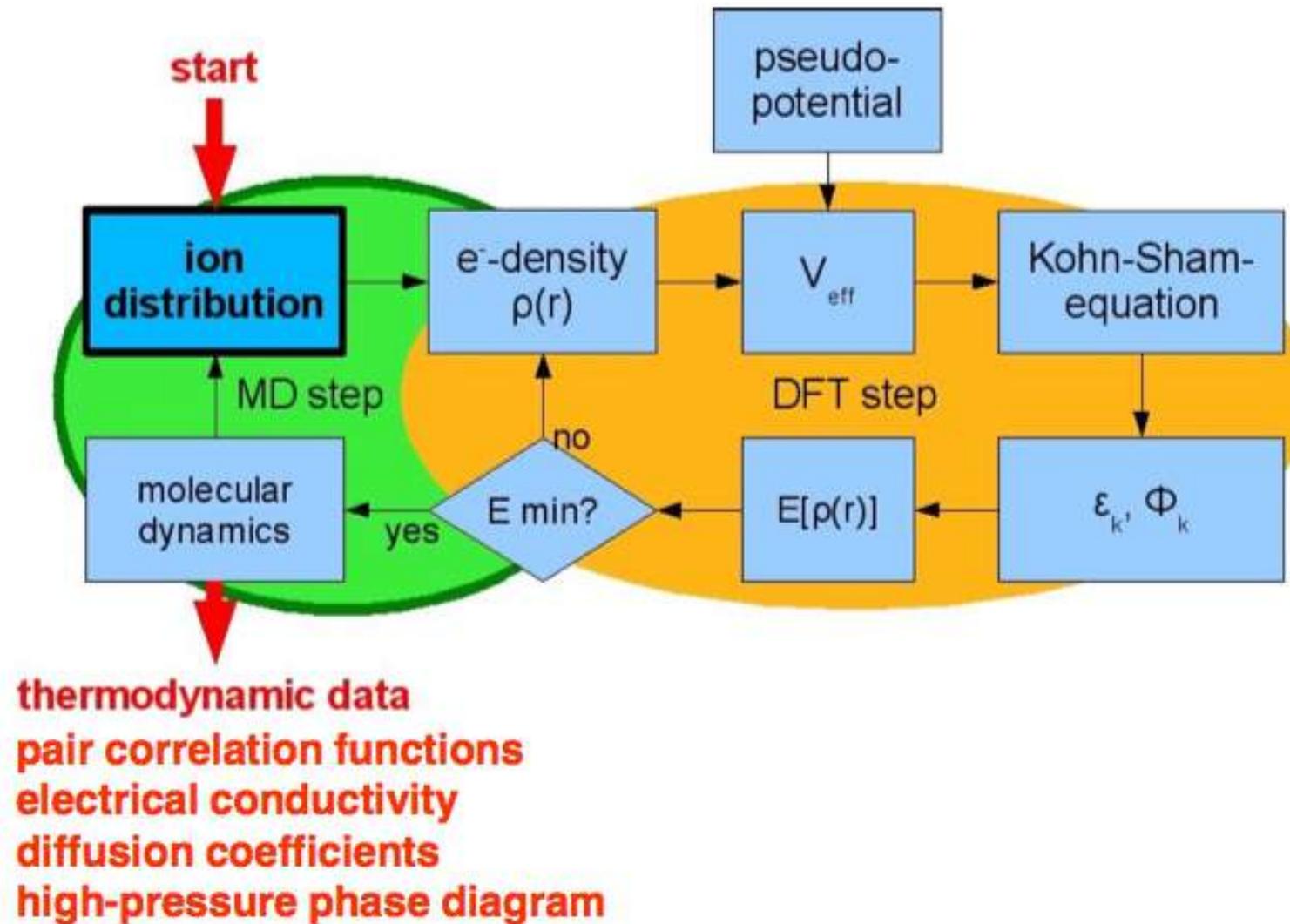
- $f_{XC}^\tau(12) = 0$   $\rightarrow$  thermal RPA

- $f_{XC}^{\tau, \text{thALDA}}[n](\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}', \omega) = \frac{d^2 a_{XC}^{\tau, \text{unif}}(n)}{d^2 n} \Big|_{n(\mathbf{r})} \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}')$

$\rightarrow$  approximate  $A_{XC}^\tau[n]$

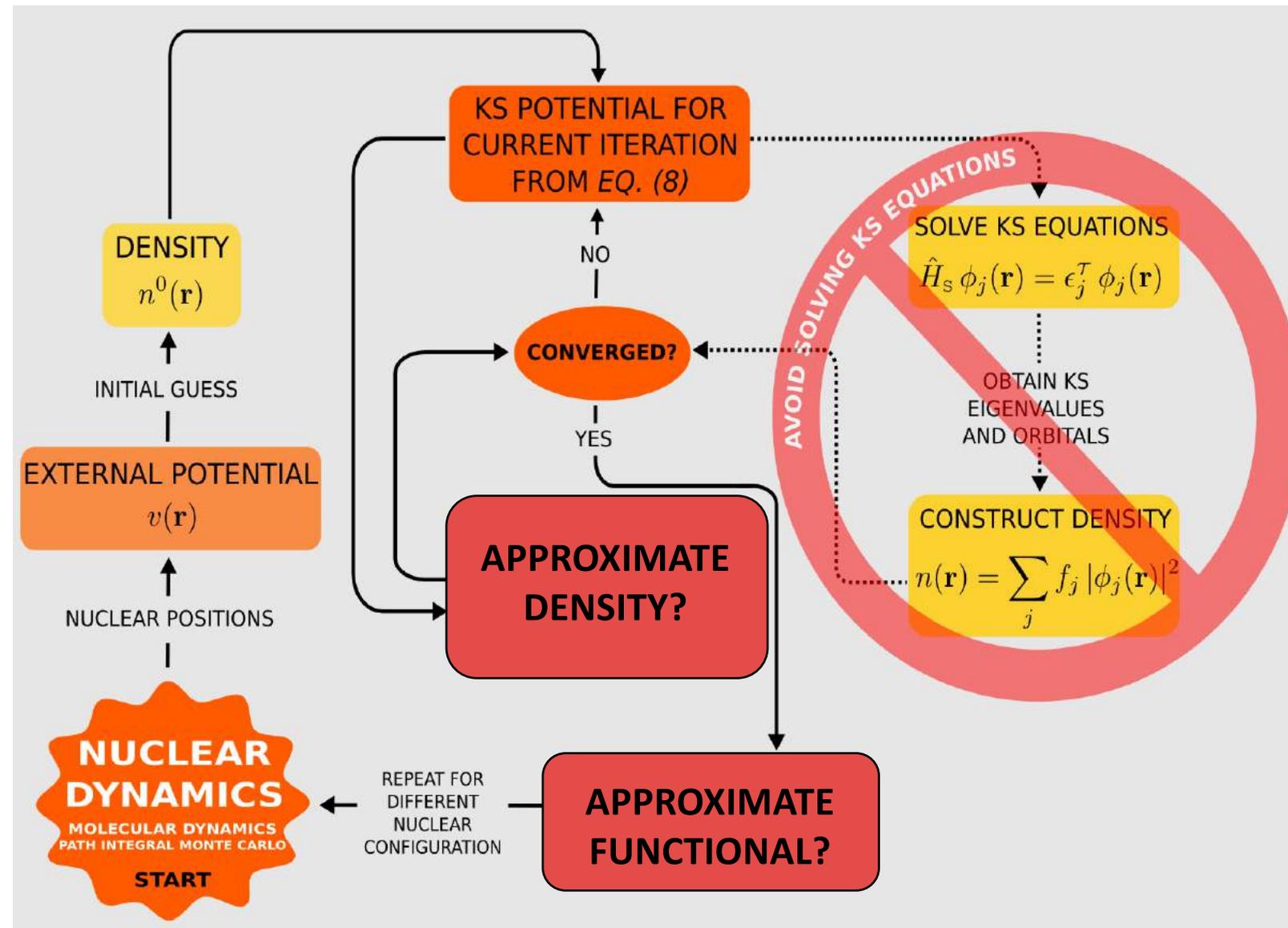
# **Avoiding Mermin-Kohn-Sham in WDM Simulations**

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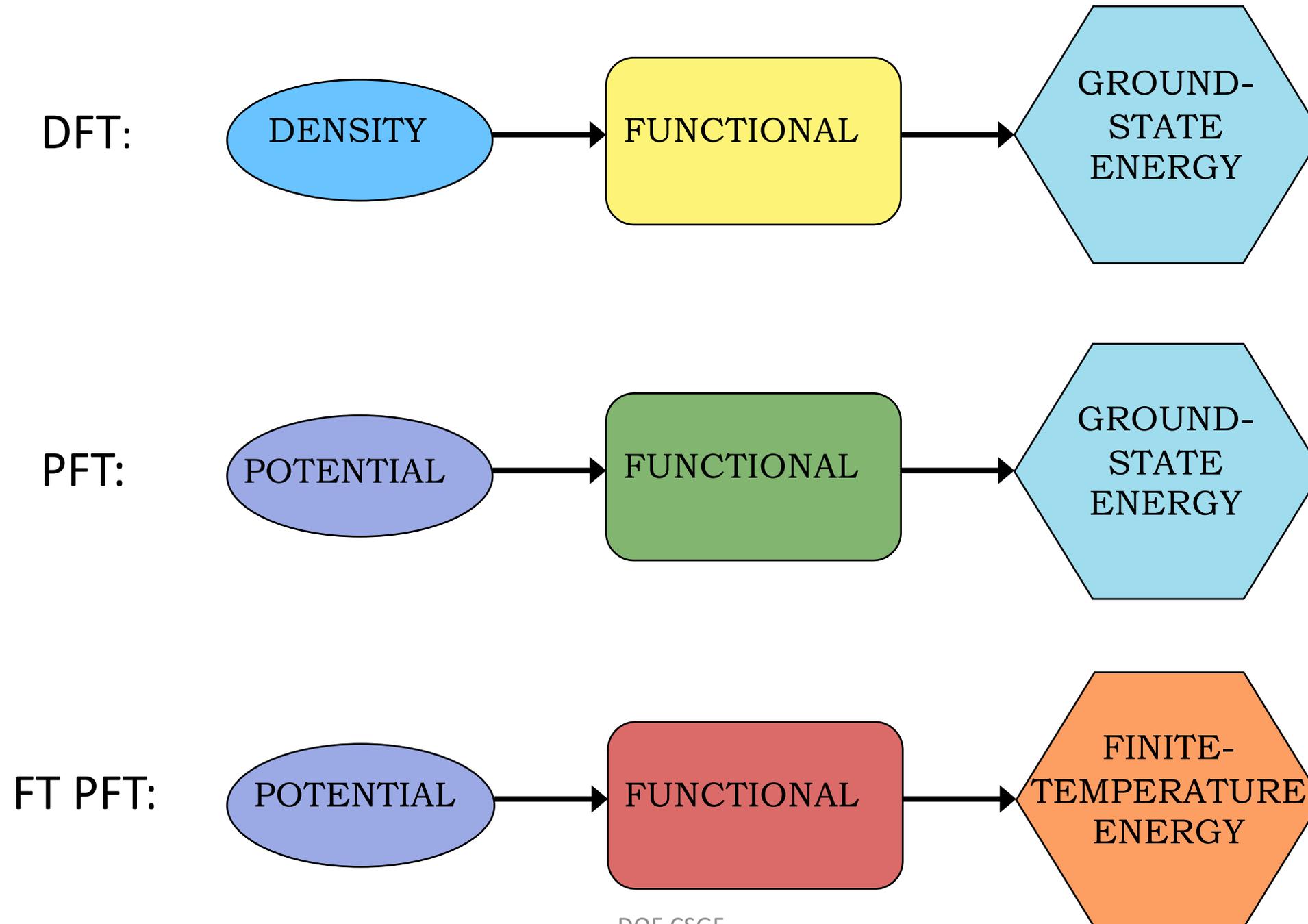
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# Zoom in on electronic step...



A. Cangini and A. Pribram-Jones, arxiv:1411.1532

# PFT: An Exact Formulation



# The PFT Idea

For zero or finite temperature:

**Step 1**            Derive exact  $F[v]$ .

**Step 2**            Approximate  $n[v]$ .

**Step 3**            Join steps 1 and 2, so that approximating density *automatically* generates  $F[n[v]]$ .

***This scheme introduces no additional approximations beyond that in the density approximation.***

# Exact Expression for Kentropy

$$K_S^\tau[v_S] = \int d^3r \{ \bar{n}_S^\tau(\mathbf{r}) - n_S^\tau[v_S](\mathbf{r}) \} v_S(\mathbf{r})$$

$K_S$  : “universal” part of thermal electrons’ free energy

$\tau$  : temperature

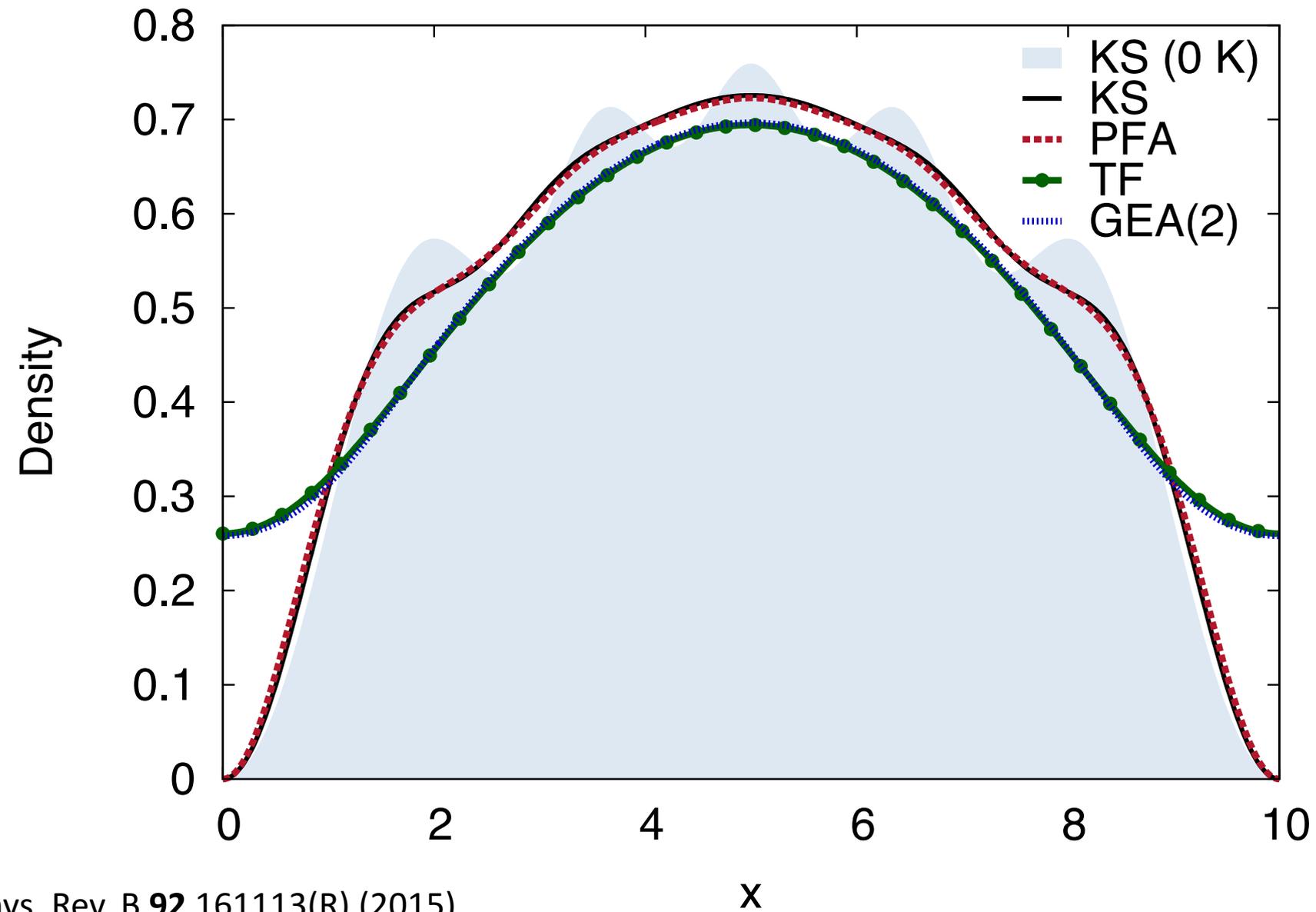
$v_S$  : external potential of non-interacting system

$n_S[v_S]$  : density **written in terms of the potential**

bar: integral over the coupling constant

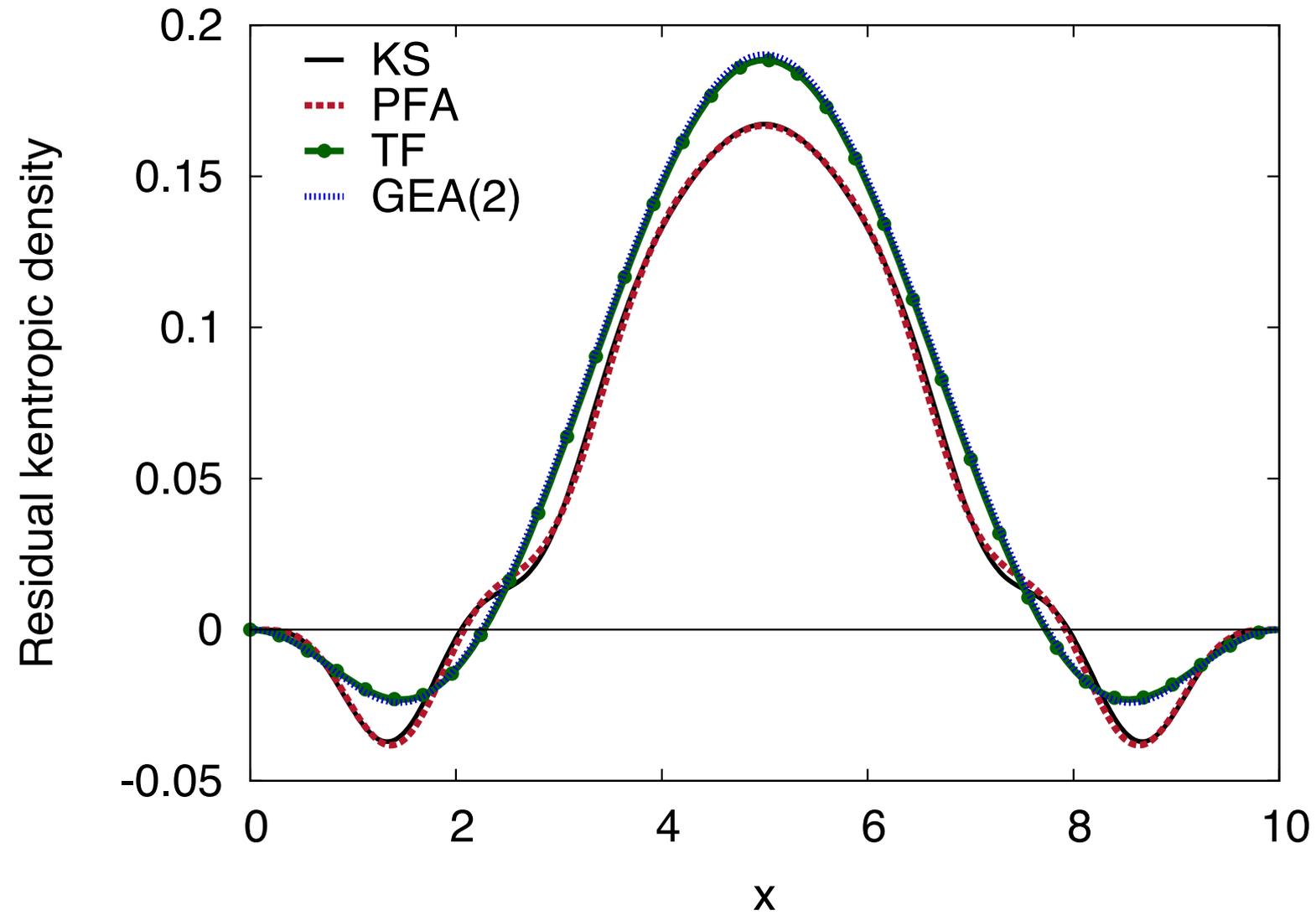
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# Highly Accurate Density



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# Not Reliant on Error Cancellations



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# Accurate Across Regimes

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			TF	GEA(2)	PFA
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0.47	3.76	0.459	7.91	10.11	-0.31
0.62	3.64	0.456	8.39	10.01	-0.29
0.78	3.50	0.452	8.61	9.78	-0.30
0.93	3.34	0.448	8.65	9.52	-0.37
1.09	3.16	0.444	8.58	9.24	-0.50
1.40	2.77	0.435	8.21	8.63	-0.87
1.71	2.36	0.425	7.69	7.99	-1.27
2.02	1.92	0.414	7.13	7.35	-1.61
2.48	1.25	0.396	6.34	6.46	-1.86
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# Continuing and Future Work

## **FT PFT:**

- Test demonstration approximation with more complicated potentials
- Extend approximations to realistic systems (turning points, 3d)
- Implement in combination with molecular dynamics
- Asymptotic analysis of finite-temperature electronic systems
- Use semiclassical methods for time-dependent systems

## **Thermal DFT and TDDFT:**

- Use thermal kernel to generate FT XC approximations
- Derive finite-temperature exact conditions
- Extend linear response proof to vector potentials
- Examine accuracy of adiabatic and ground-state approximations

# Origin Stories



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# Summary

- Exact conditions relate components of the correlation free energy
- Thermal connection formula: adiabatic connection via temperature
- XC free energy approximations can be generated from thermal kernel
- Exact formulation of coupling constant non-interacting entropy
- Demonstration of FT-PFT using semiclassical density approximation

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