

Ion-correlative model of dense plasmas:

structural and thermodynamical properties of warm dense
matter

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RDFs — Radial Distribution Functions



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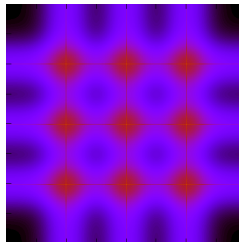
Ion-Ion Coulomb parameter (for simple elements)

$$\Gamma \sim \frac{E_{\text{Coul.}}}{E_{\text{kin.}}}, \quad \Gamma \equiv \frac{\bar{Z}^2 e^2}{r_0 T}, \quad r_0 = \left(\frac{3}{4\pi n_I^0} \right)^{1/3}, \quad k_B = 1$$

\bar{Z} — mean ion charge, $n_I^0 = N_A \rho / A$ — ionic density

- $\Gamma \ll 1$ — ideal ion gas (Debye);
- $1 \leq \Gamma \leq 150$ — **WDM** regime with strong ionic correlations;
- $\Gamma \geq 150 \div 220$ — phase transition («?») into the plasmas Coulomb crystal (Wigner)

Example:



2D dynamic plasmas phase plate for CO₂ laser, 400 ps after illumination, carbon microfilaments at $T_e = T_i \sim 0.1$ keV

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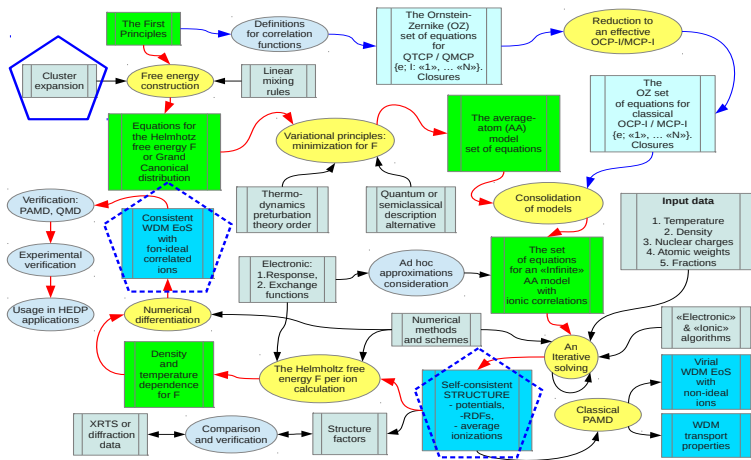
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Generating EOS data by using AA models with ion correlations



□ — statements and results, ○ — actions and transformations,

$$dF = -SdT - pdV \Rightarrow p = -\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial V}\right)_T, E = F + TS - \widetilde{E}_0 = F - T\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial T}\right)_V - \widetilde{E}_0$$

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Treatment of ion correlations in various plasma models

- Thomas-Fermi-Dirac, INFERNO, VAAQP, ... \Leftarrow
 $\Leftarrow g_{II}(r) = \Theta(r - r_0)$
- THERMOS, RESEOS \Leftarrow Phenomenology —
charged hard spheres: excluded volume +
+ OCP of interacting ions (crude correction to pressure)
- Chemical-picture models \Leftarrow Phenomenology —
hard spheres (excluded volume) +
+ OCP of interacting ions (consistent treatment via F)
- Perrot, Rosenfeld \Leftarrow TF + $V_{II}^{eff}[r, g_{II}, V_{tot}[g_{II}]]$ +
+ Ornstein & Zernike (OZ) equations (1914) for $g_{II}(r)$

$$\Downarrow V_{el}[g_{II}] \Rightarrow n_e[V_{el}] \Rightarrow V_{II}[n_e, c_{Ie}, c_{ee}, \dots] \Rightarrow g_{II}(r) \circlearrowright$$

- QHNC \Leftrightarrow Average atom \cup TCP (e-I) model \cup «jellium»
- Rozsnyai \Leftarrow c_{Ie}, c_{II} — «pure» Coulomb without LFC +
+ g_{II} — from OZ set of equations
- TFSC, QMSC (Starrett & Saumon) \Leftarrow c_{Ie}, c_{II} —
with LFC + g_{II} — from OZ set of equations with hypernetted
chain (HNC) closure ...

OZ set of equations — J.-P. Hansen, I. R. McDonald. Theory of Simple Liquids. — N.-Y., «Acad. Press» (2006).

HNC closure — J. M. J. van Leeuwen, J. Groeneveld, J. de Boer. Physica 25, 792 (1959).

The model of C. E. Starrett & D. Saumon: generalization for plasmas of dense mixtures

($\beta_e = \beta_i = \beta = 1/T$; $i = \overline{1, N}$, N — the number of ion species)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A_{\kappa_1}^{(1)} A_{\kappa_2}^{(2)} \dots A_{\kappa_N}^{(N)} \\ \text{Cu}_{38.1} \text{Zn}_{4.12} \text{Al} \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \omega_i = \frac{\kappa_i A^{(i)}}{\sum_{j=1}^N \kappa_j A^{(j)}}, \quad x_i = \frac{\kappa_i}{\sum_{j=1}^N \kappa_j}, \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sum_{i=1}^N \omega_i = 1, \\ \sum_{i=1}^N x_i = 1. \end{array} \right.$$

$$F_{tot} = \sum_{i=1}^N \omega_i F_i = \sum_{i=1}^N \omega_i \left(F_i^{id} + F_i^{el} + F_i^{xc} \right),$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} n_{e_i}(\mathbf{r}) = n_e^0 = \text{invar} \Rightarrow \Delta n_{e_i}(\mathbf{r}) = n_{e_i}(\mathbf{r}) - n_e^0, \\ \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} n_i(\mathbf{r}) = n_i^0 \Rightarrow \Delta n_i(\mathbf{r}) = n_i(\mathbf{r}) - n_i^0 \left(\overline{n_i^0} \equiv \omega_i n_{tot} \neq n_i^0 \right). \end{array} \right.$$

$$F_i = \mathcal{F}_i + F_i^C = \mathcal{F}_i + \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r} \left(V_{N_i e_i}^C(\mathbf{r}) \Delta n_{e_i}(\mathbf{r}) + V_{N_i i}^C(\mathbf{r}) \Delta n_i(\mathbf{r}) \right).$$

«non-Coulombic» contribution $\rightarrow \mathcal{F}_i = F_i^{id} + \mathcal{F}_i^{ex} = \left(F_{e_i}^{id} + F_{I_i}^{id} \right) + \mathcal{F}_i^{ex}$,

$$F_i^{el} + F_i^{xc} = \mathcal{F}_i^{ex} + F_i^C = \mathcal{F}_i^{ex} - Z_i \int_{V_\infty} \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{r} \underbrace{(\Delta n_{e_i}(\mathbf{r}) - Z_i^* \Delta n_i(\mathbf{r}))}_{\equiv \mathcal{N}_{I e_i}(\mathbf{r})}$$



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The general scheme. «Ideal gas» (non-interacting) contributions

$$F_i = \underbrace{\left(F_{I_i}^{id} + F_{e_i}^{id} \right)}_{F_i^{id}} + \underbrace{\left(F_{0_i}^{el} + \Delta F_i^{el} \right)}_{F_i^{el}} + \underbrace{\left(F_{0_i}^{xc} + \Delta F_{ie_i}^{xc} + \Delta F_{ii}^{xc} + \Delta F_{e_i e_i}^{xc} \right)}_{F_i^{xc}}$$

Cluster expansion for the «ideal gas»-like «l» & «e» contributions:

$$F_{I_i}^{id} = \frac{1}{\beta} \ln \left| \frac{n_i^0 \Lambda_i^3}{e} \right| + \frac{n_i^0}{\beta} \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r} \left(g_{ii}(r) \ln \left| \frac{n_i^0 g_{ii}(r) \Lambda_i^3}{e} \right| - \ln \left| \frac{n_i^0 \Lambda_i^3}{e} \right| \right),$$

$$F_{e_i}^{id} = \frac{1}{n_I^0} \left[n_e^0 \mu_{e_i}^{id} - \frac{2}{3\beta} C_{TF} I_{3/2} \left[\beta \mu_{e_i}^{id} \right] \right] +$$

$$+ \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r} \left[n_{e_i}(r) \frac{\Phi_i(r)}{\beta} - \frac{2}{3\beta} C_{TF} \left(I_{3/2} \left[\Phi_i(r) \right] - I_{3/2} \left[\beta \mu_{e_i}^{id} \right] \right) - n_e^0 \mu_{e_i}^{id} \right],$$

$$C_{TF} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\pi^2 \beta^{3/2}}; \Phi_i(r) = \beta \left[\mu_{e_i}^{id} - V_{N_i e_i}^{eff}(r) \right], n_{e_i}(r) = C_{TF} I_{1/2} \left[\Phi_i(r) \right].$$

↑ {e, i} spatial correlated «gases» with non-interactive particles

$\Lambda = \text{const}$ — ionic de Broglie wavelength, $C_{TF} = \text{const}$.

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Construction to the Helmholtz free energy

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$$\Delta \mathcal{F}_i^{ex} = \mathcal{F}_i^{ex} - (\mathcal{F}_i^{ex})^0 = \mathcal{F}_i^{ex} - \frac{f_i^0}{n_i^0} = \sum_{p=1}^S \frac{1}{p!} \sum_{\alpha_1=1}^2 \dots \sum_{\alpha_p=1}^2 \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r}_1 \dots d\mathbf{r}_p \times$$

$$\times \left(\frac{\delta^p \mathcal{F}_i^{ex}}{\delta \Delta n_{\alpha_1}(\mathbf{r}_1) \dots \delta \Delta n_{\alpha_p}(\mathbf{r}_p)} \right)_{|0_{\alpha_1} \dots 0_{\alpha_p}} \prod_{t'=1}^p \Delta n_{\alpha_{t'}}(\mathbf{r}_{t'}),$$

$$0_{\alpha_p} \Leftrightarrow V_{N_i \alpha_p}^C(r) = \frac{1}{r} \begin{cases} Z_i Z_i^*, & \alpha_p = 1, \\ -Z_i, & \alpha_p = 2 \end{cases} \rightarrow 0.$$

$$S \equiv 2 \Rightarrow \Delta \mathcal{F}_i^{ex} = \sum_{\alpha=1}^2 \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r} \underbrace{\left(\frac{\delta \mathcal{F}_i^{ex}}{\delta \Delta n_\alpha(\mathbf{r})} \right)_{|0_\alpha}}_{\equiv \mu_\alpha^{ex}} \Delta n_\alpha(\mathbf{r}) +$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^2 \sum_{\beta=1}^2 \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \underbrace{\left(\frac{\delta^2 \mathcal{F}_i^{ex}}{\delta \Delta n_\alpha(\mathbf{r}) \delta \Delta n_\beta(\mathbf{r}')} \right)_{|0_\alpha 0_\beta}}_{\equiv -c_{\alpha\beta}(|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|)/\beta} \Delta n_\alpha(\mathbf{r}) \Delta n_\beta(\mathbf{r}').$$

$$\text{Direct corr. functions} \rightarrow c_{\alpha\beta}(|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|) = \widetilde{c}_{\alpha\beta}(|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|) - \beta V_{\alpha\beta}^C(|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r}'|).$$



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Exchange and correlative contributions to the Helmholtz energy



$$F_i^{xc} = F_{0i}^{xc} + \Delta F_{ii}^{xc} + \Delta F_{ie_i}^{xc} + \Delta F_{e_i e_i}^{xc}$$

$$\Delta F_{ii}^{xc} = \frac{-1}{2\beta} \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \widetilde{c}_{ii} [(|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|), n_e^0] \Delta n_i(r) \Delta n_i(r'),$$

$$\Delta F_{ie_i}^{xc} = \frac{-1}{\beta} \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \widetilde{c}_{e_i i} [(|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|), n_e^0] (\Delta n_{e_i}(r) - n_{e_i}^{ion}(r)) \Delta n_i(r')$$

$$\Delta F_{e_i e_i}^{xc} = \frac{-1}{2\beta} \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \widetilde{c}_{e_i e_i} [(|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|), n_e^0] \Delta n_{e_i}(r) \Delta n_{e_i}(r').$$

We usually use a «cluster expansion» for the electronic exchange contribution $\Delta F_{e_i e_i}^{xc}$ in our routine calculations:

$$\begin{aligned} & (F_i^{xc})^0 + \Delta F_{e_i e_i}^{xc} = \\ & = \frac{-3}{4} \left(\frac{3}{\pi} \right)^{1/3} \left[\frac{(n_e^0)^{4/3}}{n_i^0} - \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r} \left(n_{e_i}^{4/3}(r) - (n_e^0)^{4/3} \right) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

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Problem: electrostatic contribution to the free energy

RFNC-VNIITF $\rightarrow F_i^{el}$ — from the Taylor expansion:

$$F_i^{el} = F_{0i}^{el} + \Delta F_i^{el}, \quad F_{0i}^{el} = \mu_{e_i}^{ex} \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r} \Delta n_{e_i}(r) + \mu_i^{ex} \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r} \Delta n_i(r),$$

$$\Delta F_i^{el} = -Z_i \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r} \frac{\mathcal{N}_{Ie_i}(r)}{r} + \frac{1}{2} \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \frac{\mathcal{N}_{Ie_i}(r) \mathcal{N}_{Ie_i}(r')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|},$$

$$\mathcal{N}_{Ie_i}(r) \equiv \Delta n_{e_i}(r) - n_e^0 \Delta n_i(r) / n_i^0.$$

LANL $\rightarrow F_i^{el}$ — from the averaging for sums in ionic pseudo-crystal:

$$F_i^{el} = \left(F_{NS}^{el}\right)_i + \langle F_S^{el} \rangle_i, \quad \left(F_{NS}^{el}\right)_i = \frac{1}{2} \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r} n_{e_i}^{PA}(r) \left[\frac{-Z_i}{r} + V_i^{PA}(r) \right],$$

$$n_{e_i}^{PA}(r) \equiv n_{e_i}(r) - n_{e_i}^{\text{ion}}(r), \quad V_i^{PA}(r) \equiv \frac{-Z_i}{r} + \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r}' \frac{n_{e_i}^{PA}(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|}$$

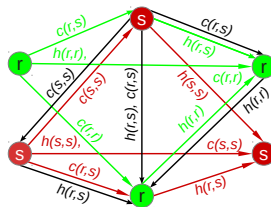
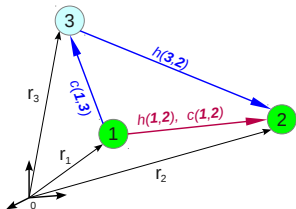
$$\langle F_S^{el} \rangle_i = \frac{1}{2} \left[-Z_i V_{Ne_i}^{\text{ext}}(r=0) + \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r} n_{e_i}^{PA}(r) V_{Ne_i}^{\text{ext}}(r) \right],$$

$$V_{Ne_i}^{\text{ext}}(r) = n_i^0 \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r}' g_{ii}(|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|) V_i^{PA}(r').$$

The L. S. Ornstein – F. Zernike scheme

An approximate method for many-particle interaction treatment

One-component system case: Two-component system case:



$$(1) \rightarrow h(\mathbf{r}) = c(\mathbf{r}) + n_I^0 \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r}' h(\mathbf{r}') c(|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|)$$

$$(2) \rightarrow h_{rs}(\mathbf{r}) = c_{rs}(\mathbf{r}) + n_s^0 \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r}' h_{rs}(\mathbf{r}') c_{ss}(|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|) +$$

$$+ n_r^0 \int_{V_\infty} d\mathbf{r}' h_{rr}(\mathbf{r}') c_{rs}(|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|)$$

c — direct pair correlative function;

h — full pair correlative function.

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Ornstein-Zernike-Chihara system of equations

Reduced form for the plasmas with N various kinds of ion

OZ equations matrix form for the classical (non-quantum) ions:

$$\widehat{h}(k) = \widehat{c}(k) + \widehat{c}(k) \widehat{D} \widehat{h}(k), \quad D_{ij} = \delta_{ij} \overline{n_j^0}, \quad \begin{cases} \widehat{h}(k) = \{h_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^N : \widehat{h} = \widehat{h}^T, \\ \widehat{c}(k) = \{c_{ij}\}_{i,j=1}^N : \widehat{c} = \widehat{c}^T. \end{cases}$$

System of closure equations for the OZ system:

$$h_{ij}(r) + 1 = \exp(-\beta V_{ij}(r) + h_{ij}(r) - c_{ij}(r) + E_{ij}(r)), \quad i, j \leq N,$$

An effective ion-ion potential finding scheme:

$$V_{ij}(k) = 4\pi \frac{\overline{Z_i} \cdot \overline{Z_j}}{k^2} - \frac{c_{eii}(k)}{\beta} n_{e_j}^{\text{SCR}}(k), \quad c_{eii}(k) = -\beta n_{e_i}^{\text{SCR}}(k) / \chi'_{ee}(k),$$

$$\overline{Z_i} = \int_{V_\infty} dr n_{e_i}^{\text{SCR}}(r), \quad \chi'_{ee}(k) = \frac{\chi_{ee}^0(k)}{1 + \chi_{ee}^0(k) c_{ee}(k) / \beta},$$

$$n_{e_i}^{\text{SCR}}(r) = n_{e_i}^{\text{PA}}(r) - n_{e_i}^{\text{ion}}(r) = n_{e_i}(r) - n_{e_i}^{\text{ext}}(r) - n_{e_i}^{\text{ion}}(r).$$



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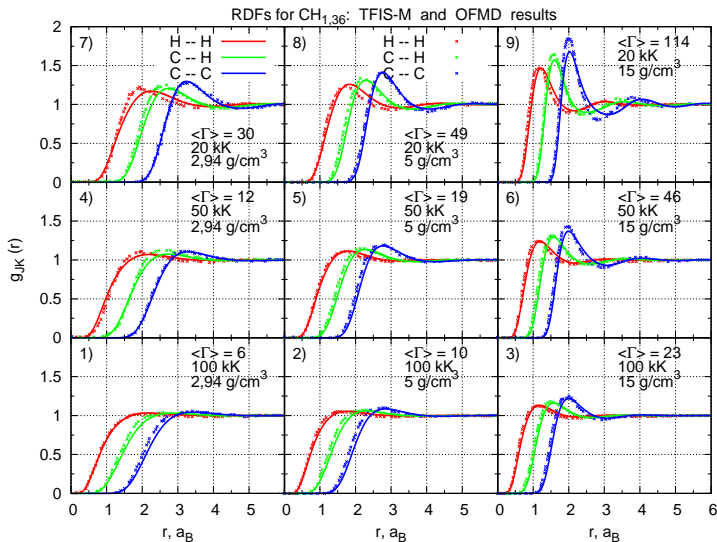
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Partial ionic RDFs for the CH_{1.36} plasmas



TFIS-M vs OFMD. E_D : $T_{H-H} \sim 20$ kK, $T_{C-H} \sim T_{C-C} \sim 50$ kK

× — OFMD data: C. E. Starrett, D. Saumon et al. Phys. Rev. E 90, 033110 (2014).

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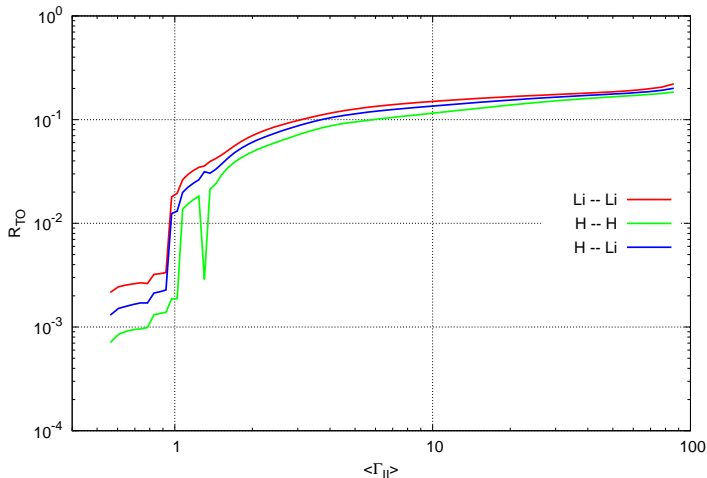
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R_{TO} — a translational order parameter along isochores

Note! About the range of applicability of the method ${}^7\text{LiH}$, $\rho = 0,78 \text{ g/cm}^3$



$$R_{TO}^{(i,j)} = \frac{1}{r_{\max}^{(i,j)}} \int_0^{r_{\max}^{(i,j)}} dr (g_{ij}(r) - 1)$$



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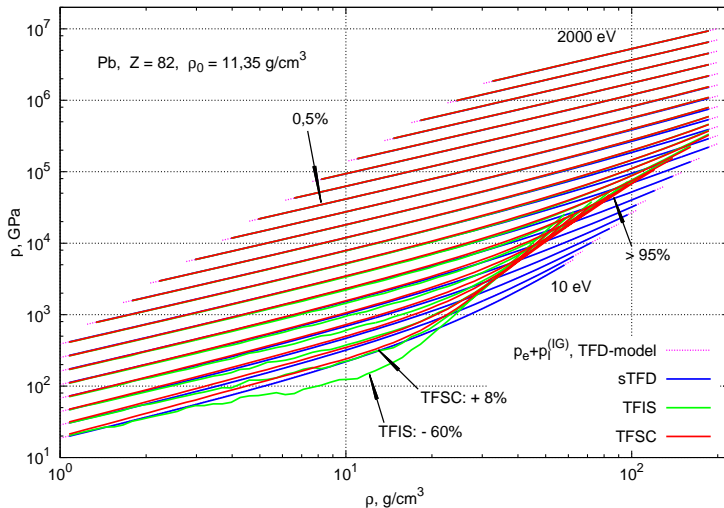
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sTFD vs TFIS/TFSC (models with ionic correlations)

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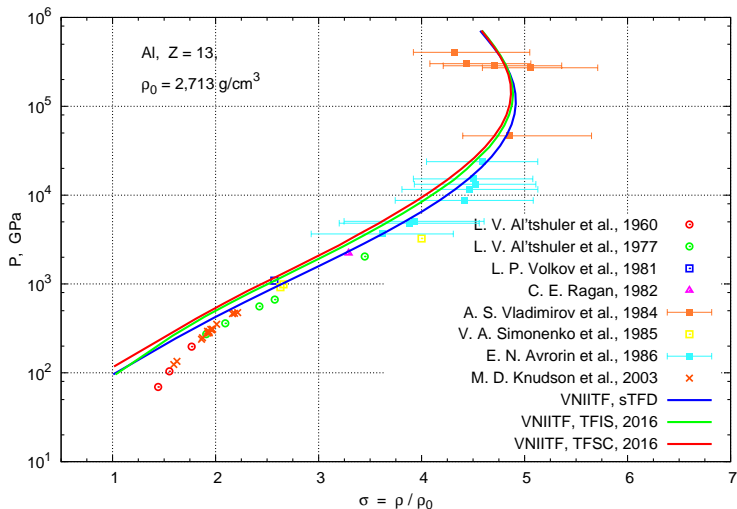
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Shock Hugoniot (σ, P) for the normal-density Al



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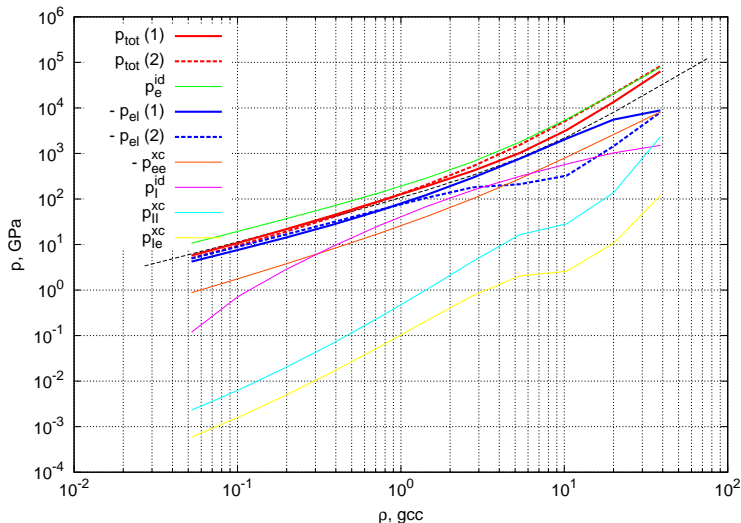
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Partial contributions in the total pressure

Example for Al at $T = 5$ eV isotherm



All the **problems** lie in the equations for p_{el} and p_{ee}^{xc} which have been constructed with the «cluster expansion» principles



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Results of investigation. The most essential results

Microstructure of matter. Thermodynamical functions

- ① RDFs for single-element warm and hot dense matter done with the TFIS/TFSC/QMIS ELEGIA code implementing a semiclassical (TFD-like) version of the Starrett & Saumon average-atom model with ion correlations agree well with first-principle quantum or orbital-free molecular dynamics simulations.
- ② The first iteration of the model in the TFIS-M case allows us to reproduce partial ion-ion RDFs up to $\langle \Gamma_{II} \rangle \sim 10^3$ with a good accuracy.
- ③ An appropriate account of ion disordering and correlations in the predicted EOS was performed with the «infinite» version of the average-atom semiclassical model.
- ④ Inclusion of ionic correlations increases the calculated pressure by as much as $\sim 45\%$ along the $\simeq 10$ eV isotherms and by as much as $\simeq 65\%$ along the shock Hugoniot for doubly compressed state as compared to the TFD data.
- ⑤ As the electronic «ideal» F_i and exchange-correlation contributions $(F_i^{xc})^0 + \Delta F_{e_i e_i}^{xc}$ to the Helmholtz free energy are strongly modulated by the ion-ion RDFs. The corrections in thermodynamics are evidently due to the use of the «cluster expansion». **At the moment, we see no accurate alternative to the pseudoatomic MD simulations (PAMD) in thermodynamic properties calculation.**



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