

# Temperature and the strong-interaction limit of density functional theory

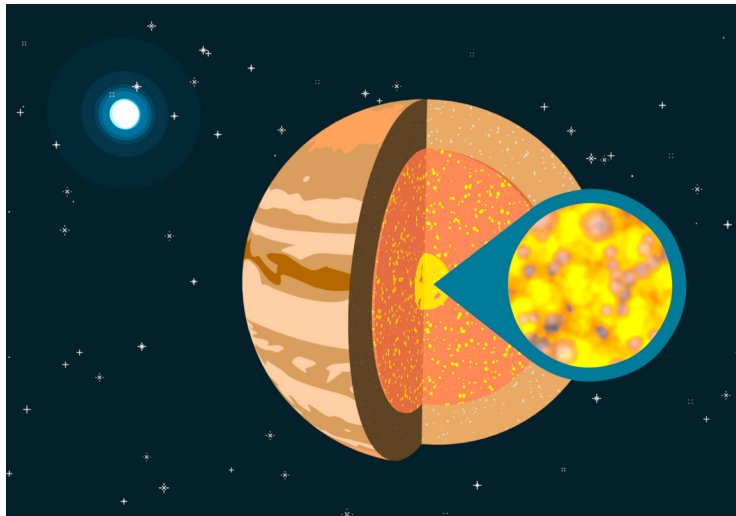


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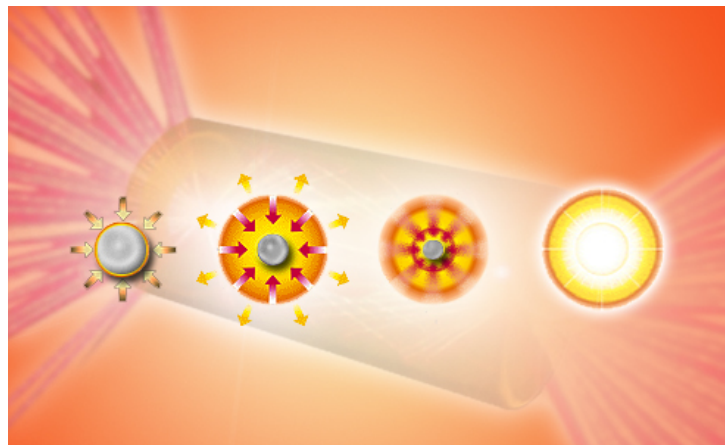
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# Warm Dense Matter

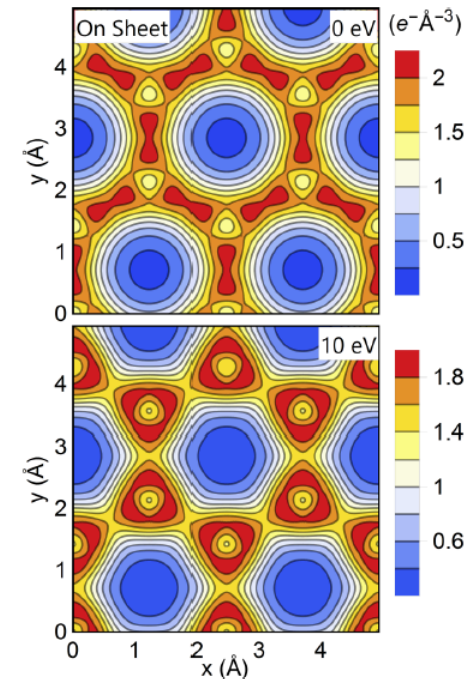


Planetary  
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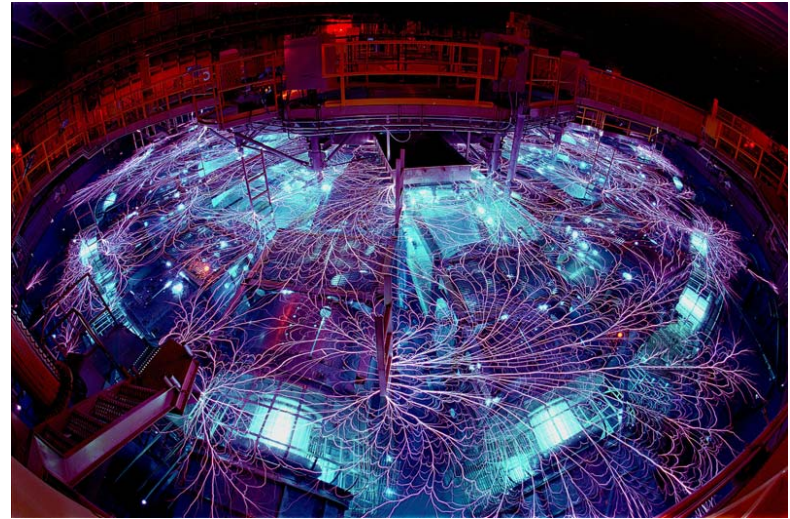
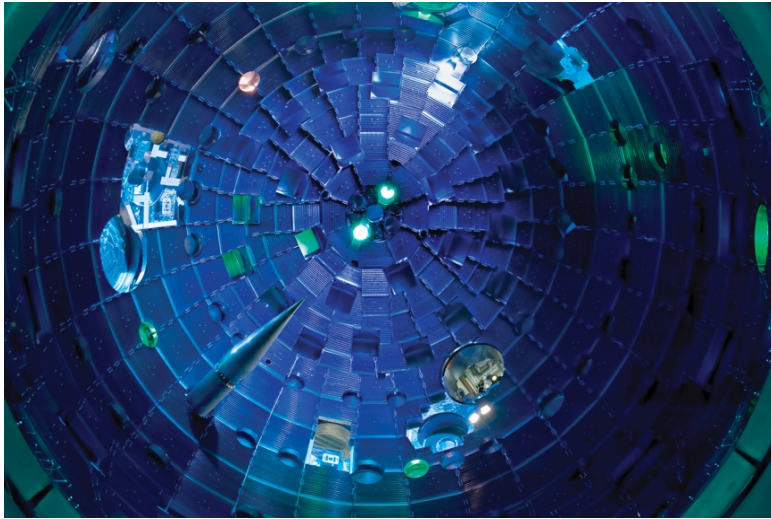


Materials  
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conditions



R.A. Valenza et al., Phys. Rev. B **93**, 115135 (2016); Promotional materials, SLAC, Stanford University (2015); LBL website.

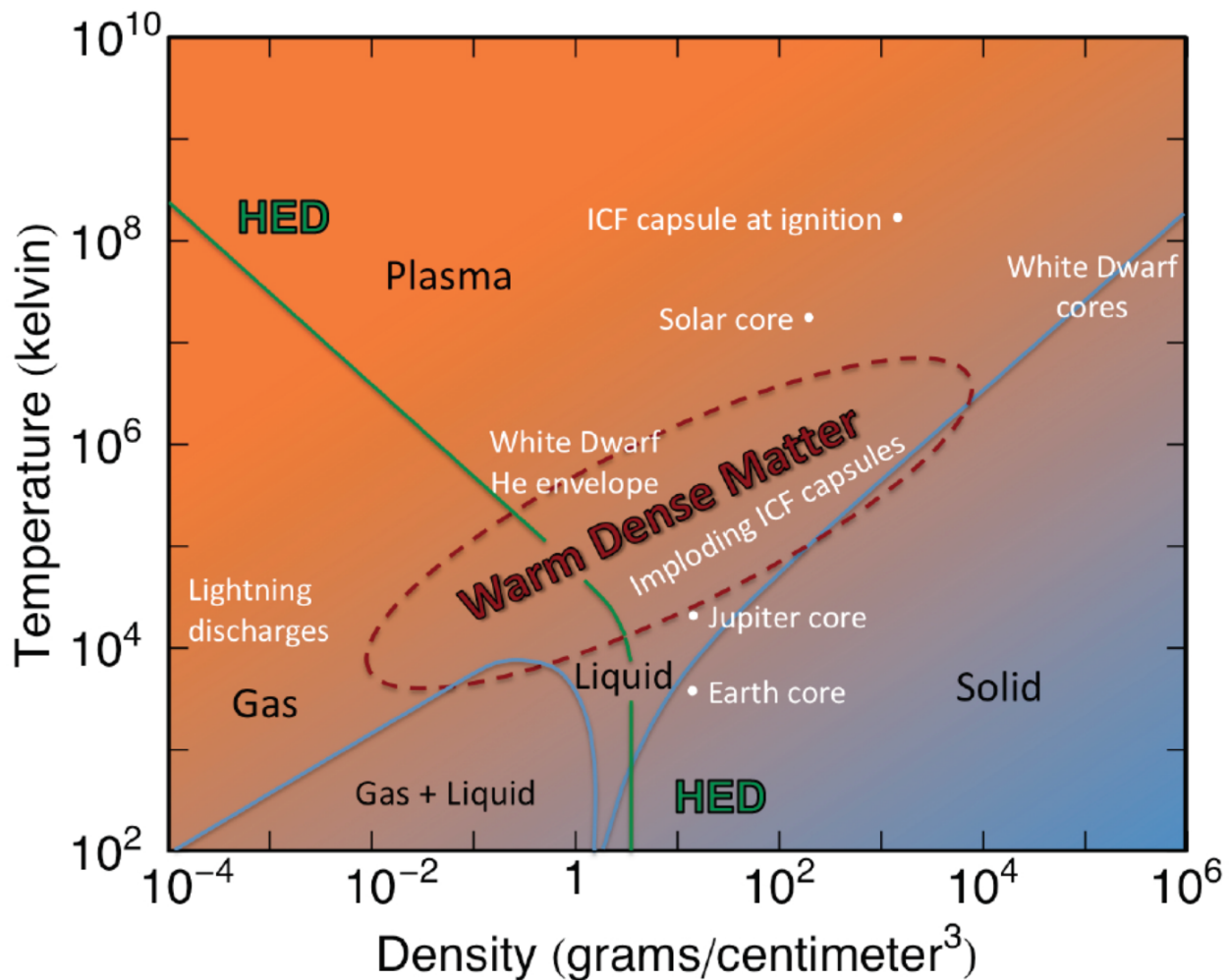
# Flagship Facilities



LLNL, SNL, LBL websites



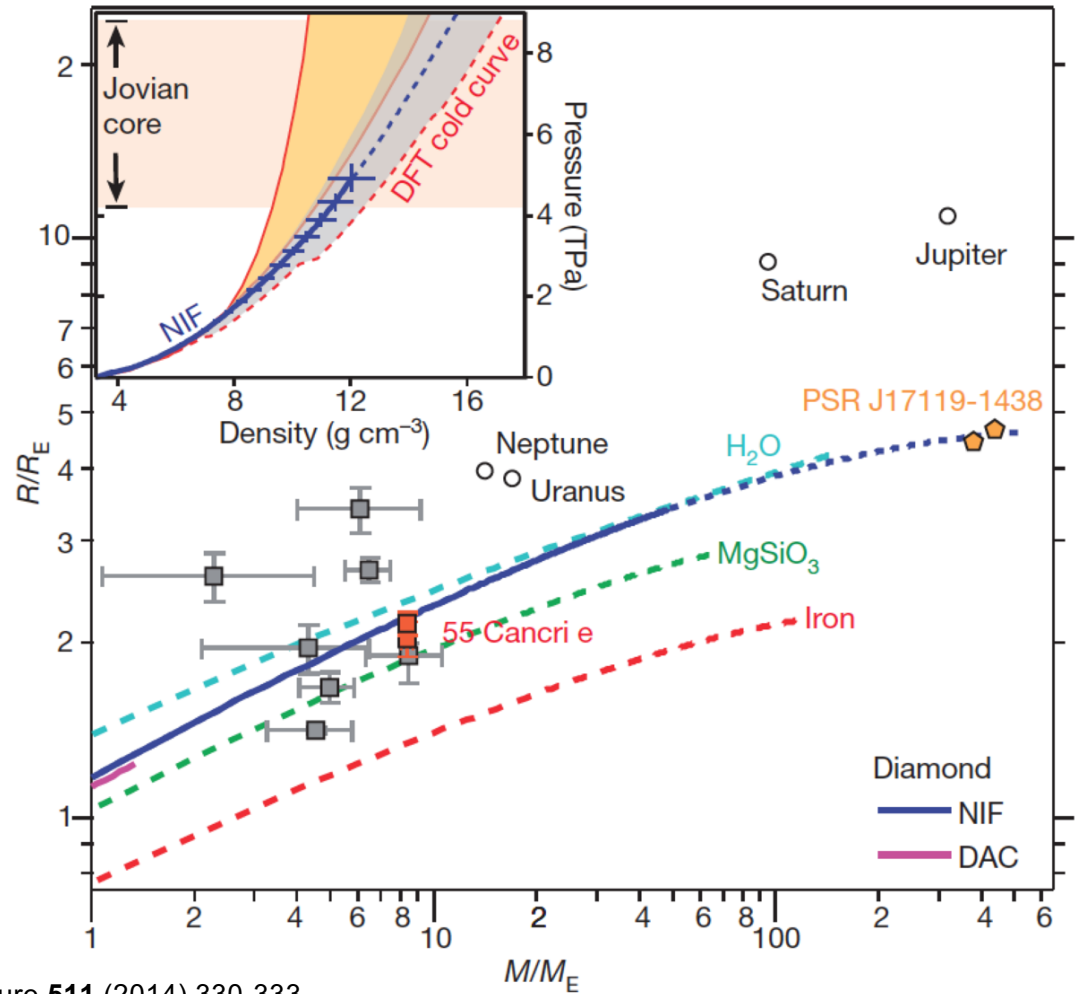
# The Malfunction Junction



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

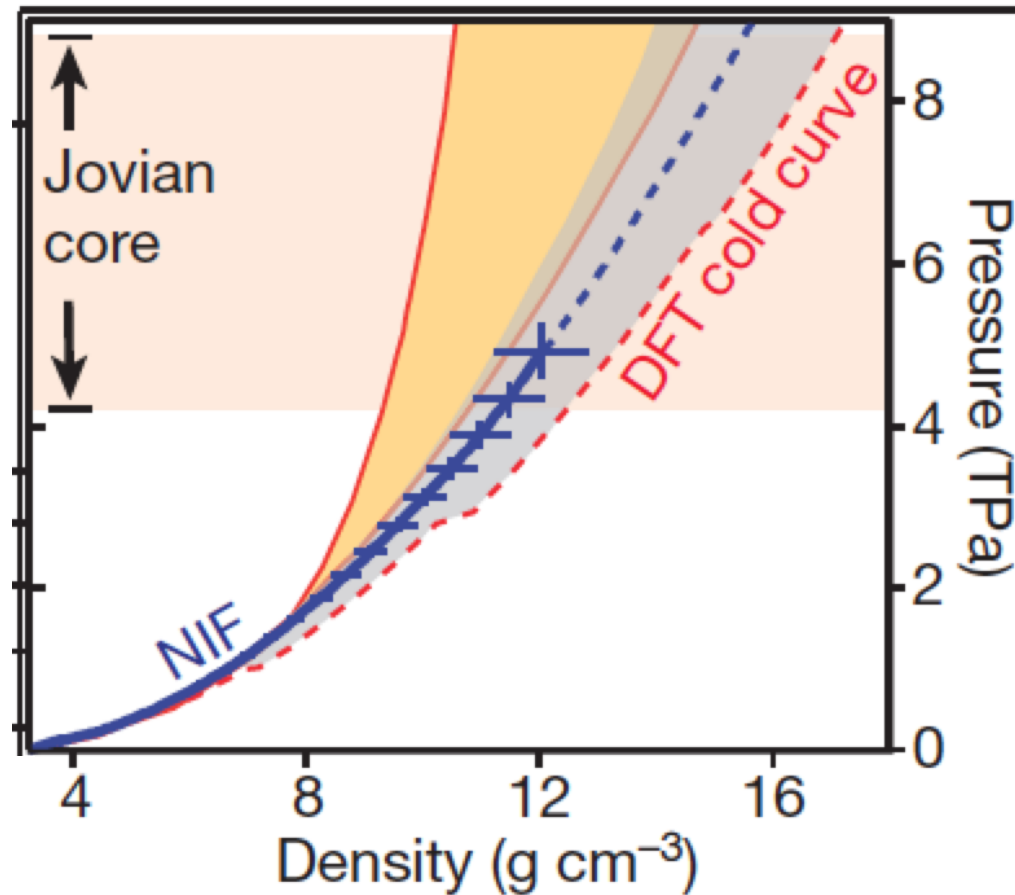


# Probing Planetary Conditions



R.F. Smith et al., Nature **511** (2014) 330-333

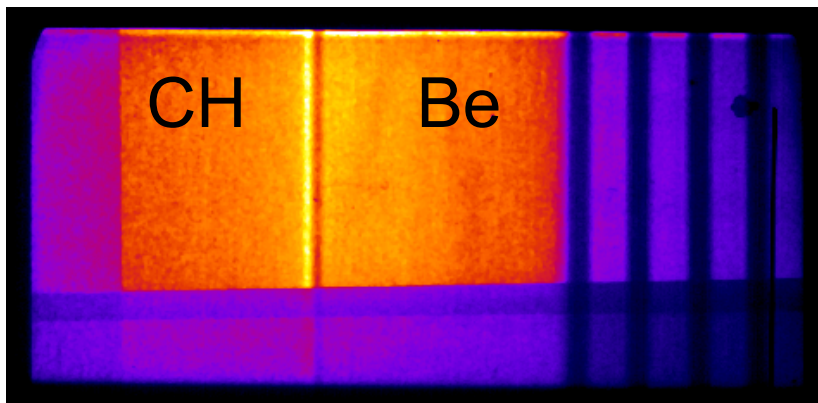
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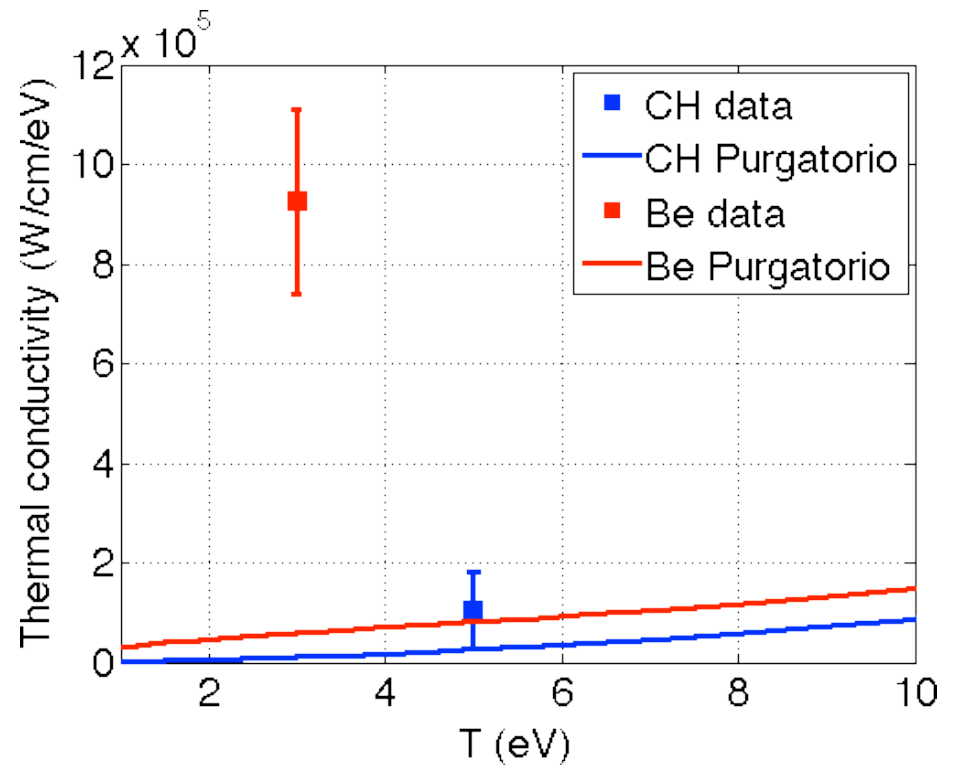
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# Inaccurate Transport Properties

**Challenge:** *discrepancy between theoretical and measured electronic heat conductivities.*



Yuan Ping, preliminary results (2016).





# Heating Things Up

Grand canonical potential operator

$$\hat{\Omega} = \hat{H} - \tau \hat{S} - \mu \hat{N}$$

Electronic Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H} = \hat{T} + \hat{V}_{ee} + \hat{V}$$

Mermin, N.D. *Phys. Rev. A*, 137: 1441 (1965).  
Pittalis, S. et al. *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, 107: 163001 (2011).

# Entropy and Statistics

Entropy operator:

$$\hat{S} = - k_B \ln \hat{\Gamma}$$

Statistical operator:

$$\hat{\Gamma} = \sum_{N,i} w_{N,i} |\Psi_{N,i}\rangle \langle \Psi_{N,i}|$$

Observables:

$$O[\hat{\Gamma}] = \text{Tr} \{ \hat{\Gamma} \hat{O} \} = \sum_N \sum_i w_{N,i} \langle \Psi_{N,i} | \hat{O} | \Psi_{N,i} \rangle$$

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# Finite-Temperature Kohn-Sham

Map interacting system to non-interacting system with same density.

$$\left[ -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + v_S^\tau(\mathbf{r}) \right] \phi_i^\tau(\mathbf{r}) = \epsilon_i^\tau \phi_i^\tau(\mathbf{r})$$

$$n^\tau(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_i f_i^\tau |\phi_i(\mathbf{r})|^2$$

$$f_i^\tau = \left( 1 + e^{(\epsilon_i^\tau - \mu)/\tau} \right)^{-1}$$

Kohn and Sham, 1965.



# Free Energies: Helmholtz and XC

Temperature-dependent free energy:

$$\begin{aligned} A^\tau[n] &= T[n] + V_{ee}[n] + V[n] - \tau S[n] \\ &= T_S[n] + U[n] + V[n] - \tau S_S[n] + A_{XC}[n] \end{aligned}$$

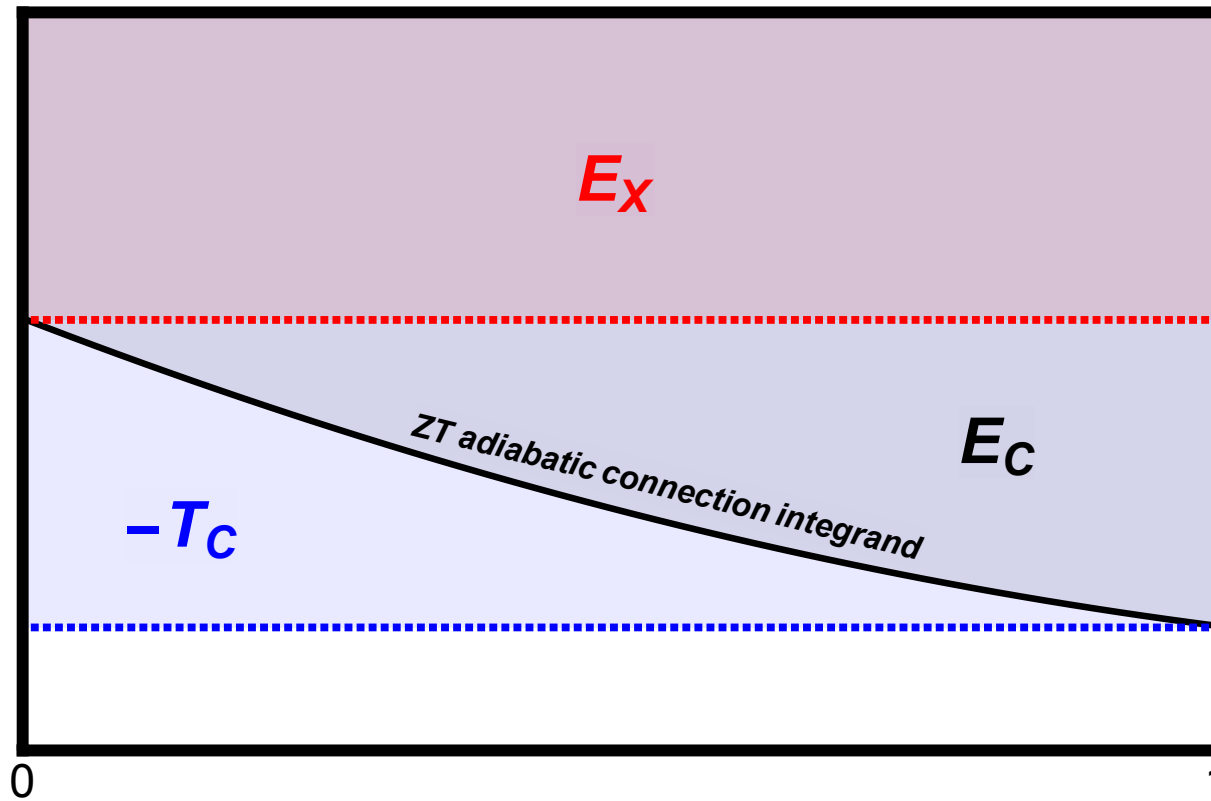
Kinetic, potential, entropic exchange-correlation:

$$A_{XC}^\tau[n] = T_{XC}[n] + U_{XC}[n] - \tau S_{XC}[n]$$

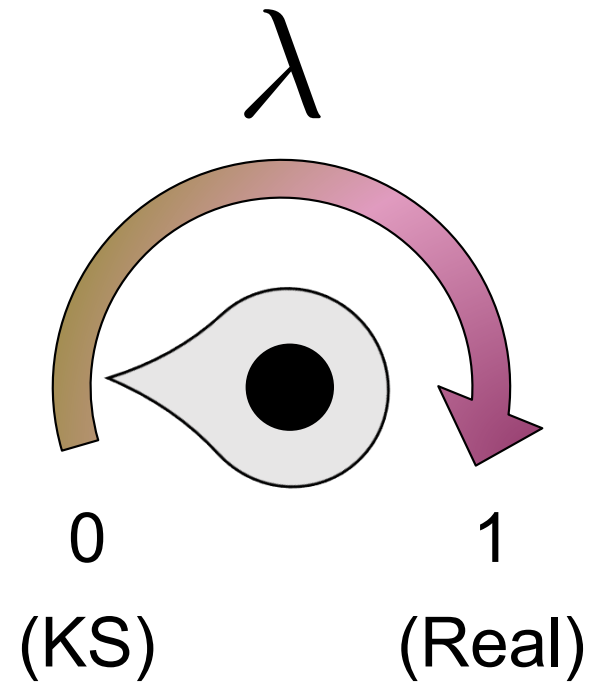
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# Adiabatic Connection



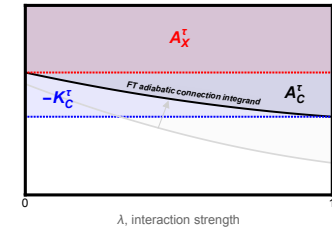
$\lambda$ , interaction strength



# Exact Conditions for Thermal DFT

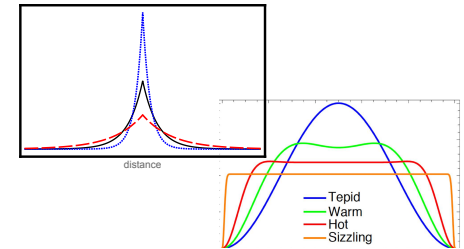
Combine finite-temperature ACF (Pittalis, et al., 2011)

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



with coupling constant-coordinate-temperature scaling (Pittalis, et al., 2011)

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

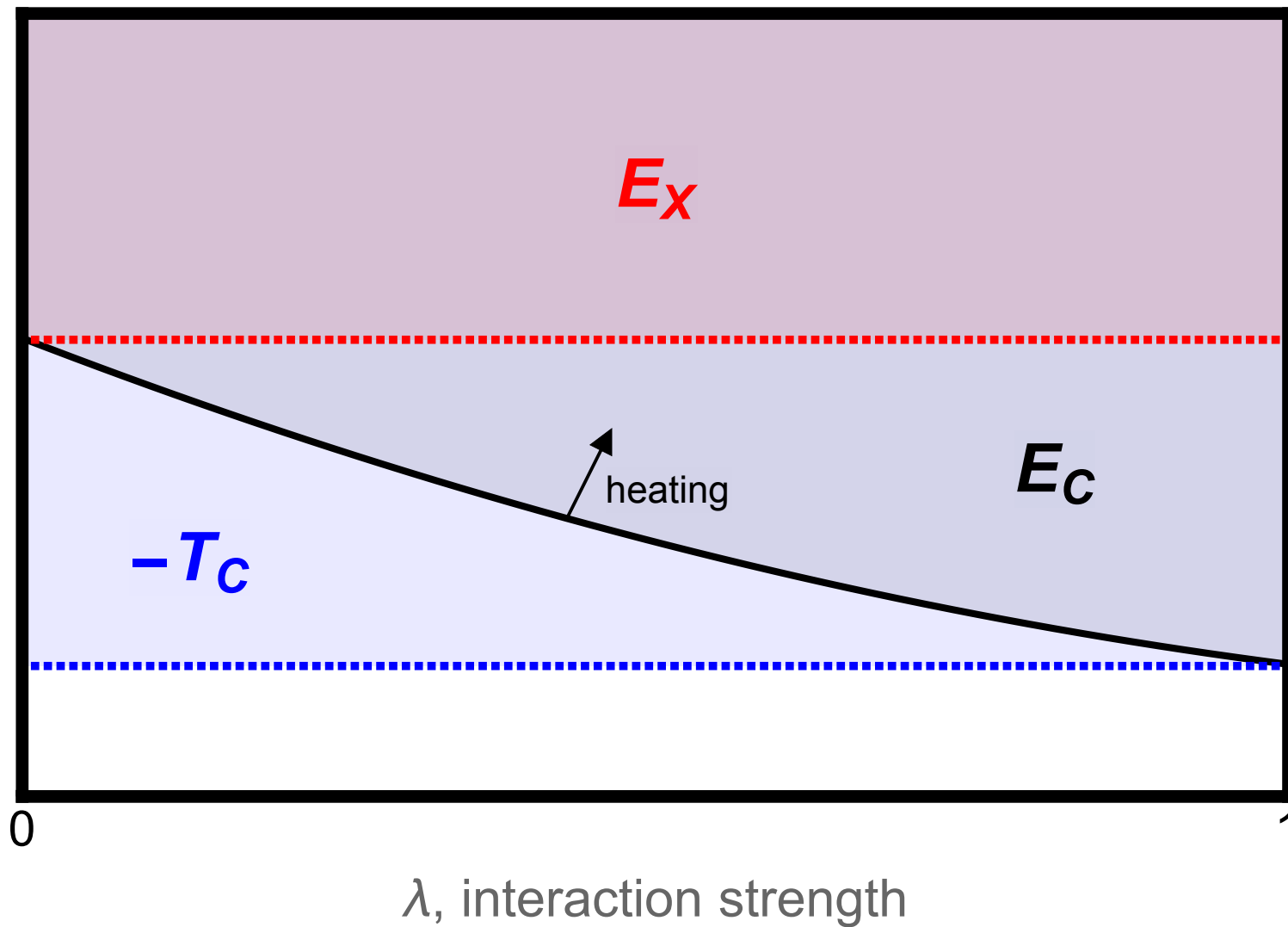


Change of variables yields thermal connection formula:

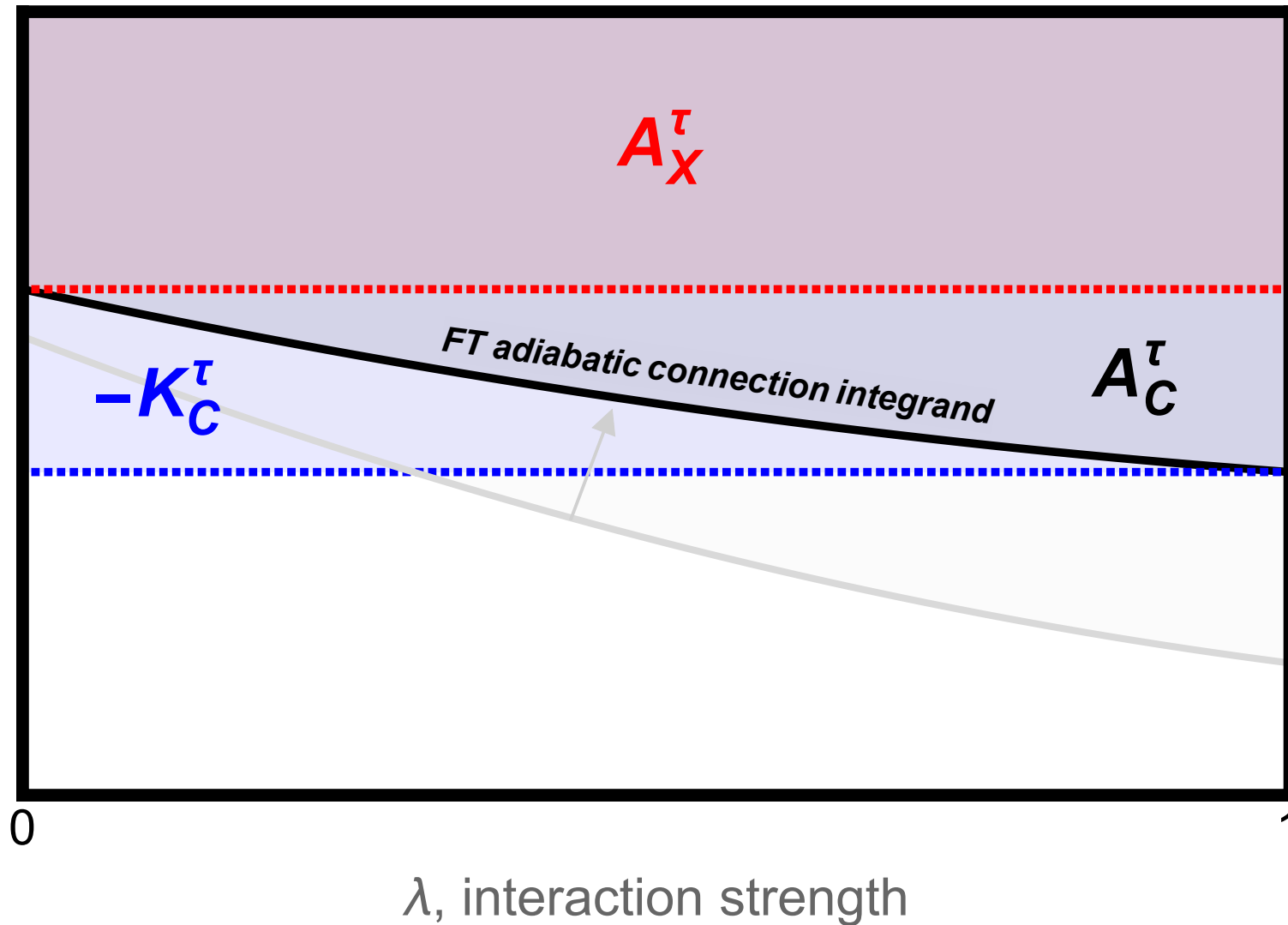
$$A_{XC}^\tau[n] = \frac{\tau}{2} \lim_{\tau'' \rightarrow \infty} \int_\tau^{\tau''} \frac{d\tau'}{\tau'^2} U_{XC}^{\tau'}[n \sqrt{\tau'/\tau}]$$



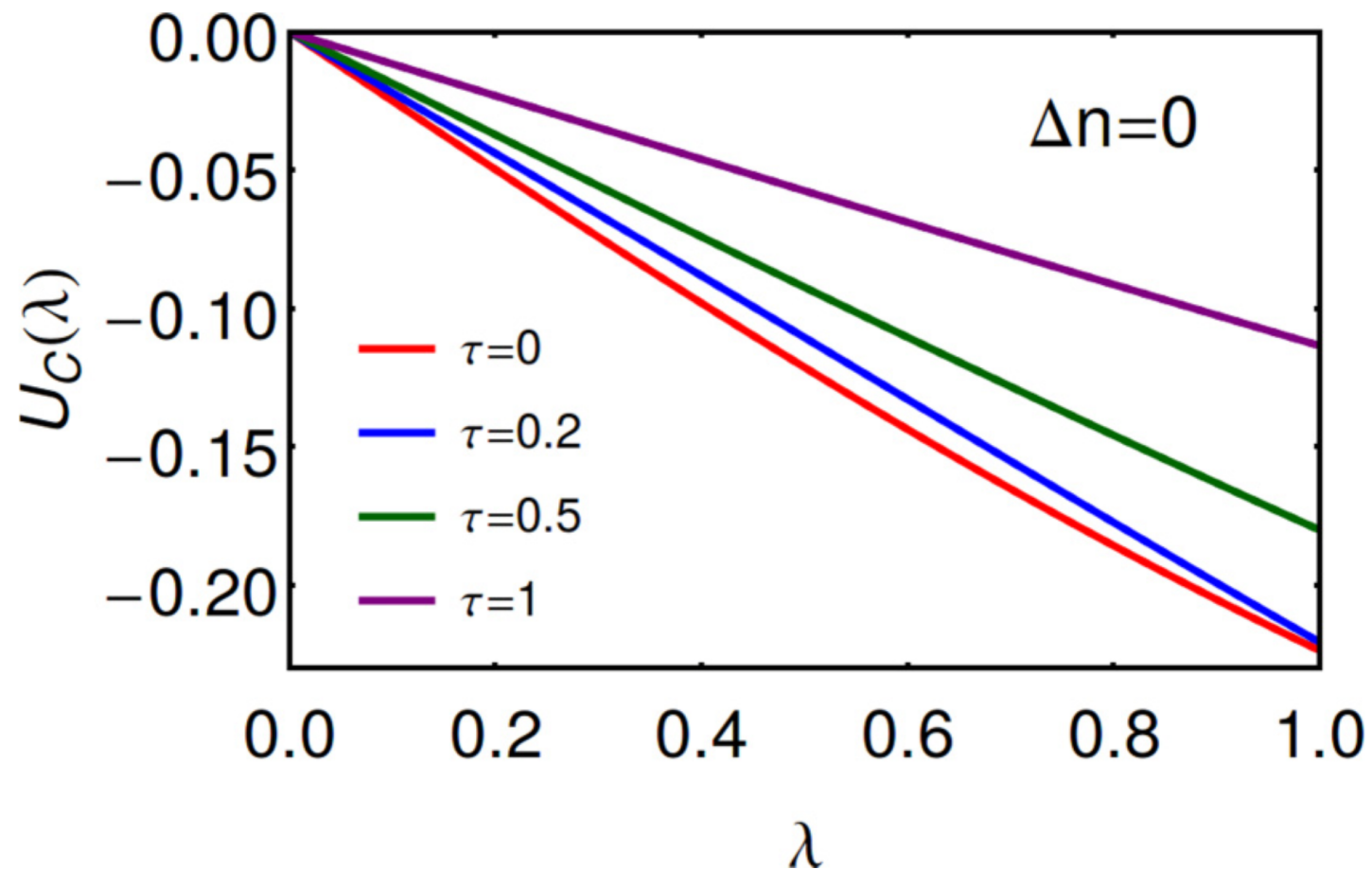
# Adiabatic Connection: Heating



# Adiabatic Connection: Shifted

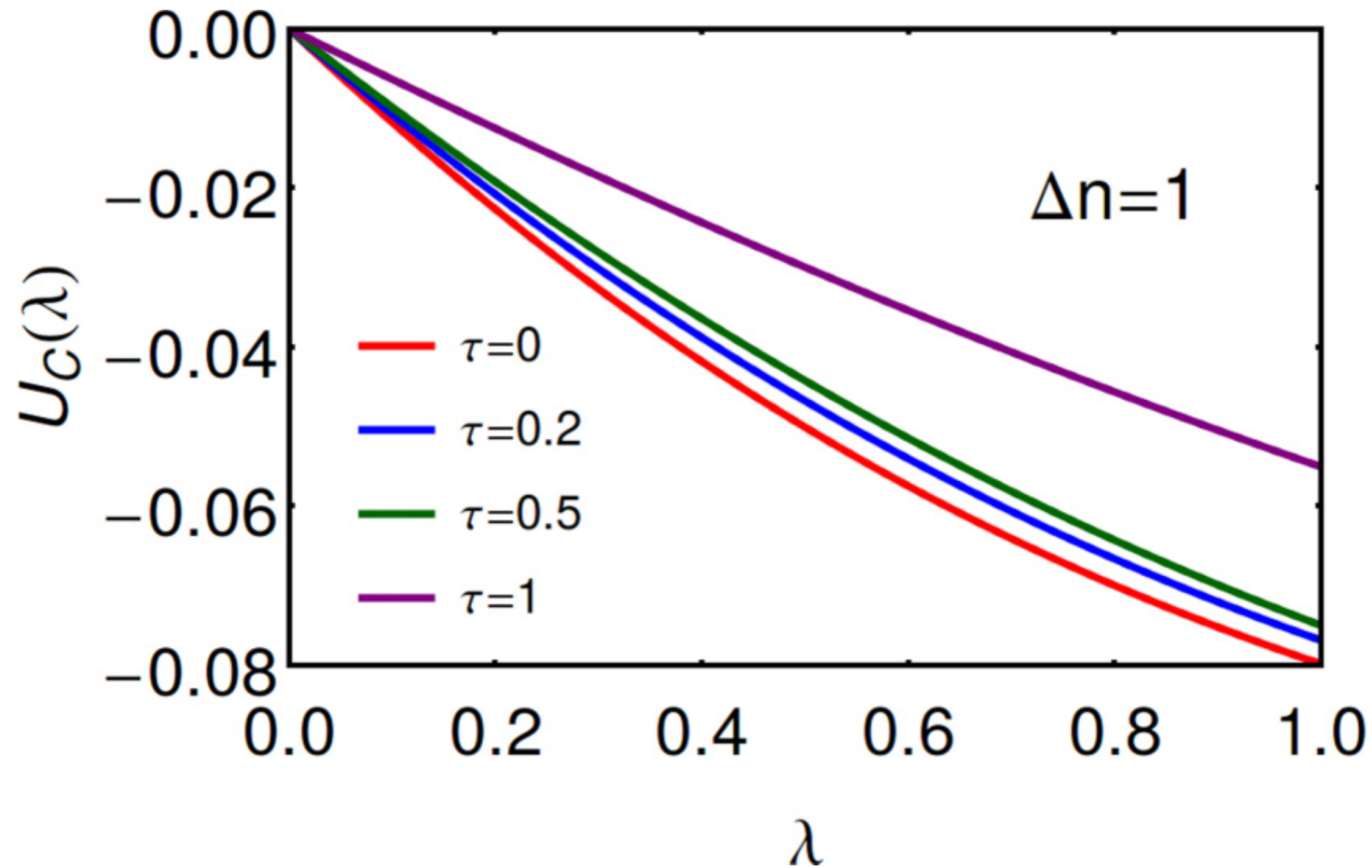


# Evidence: Hubbard Dimer



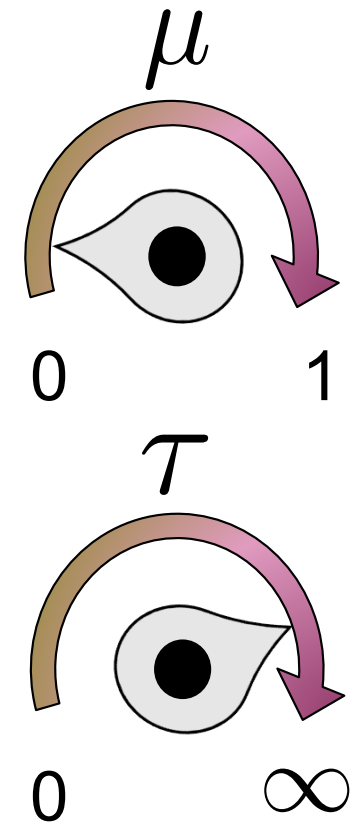
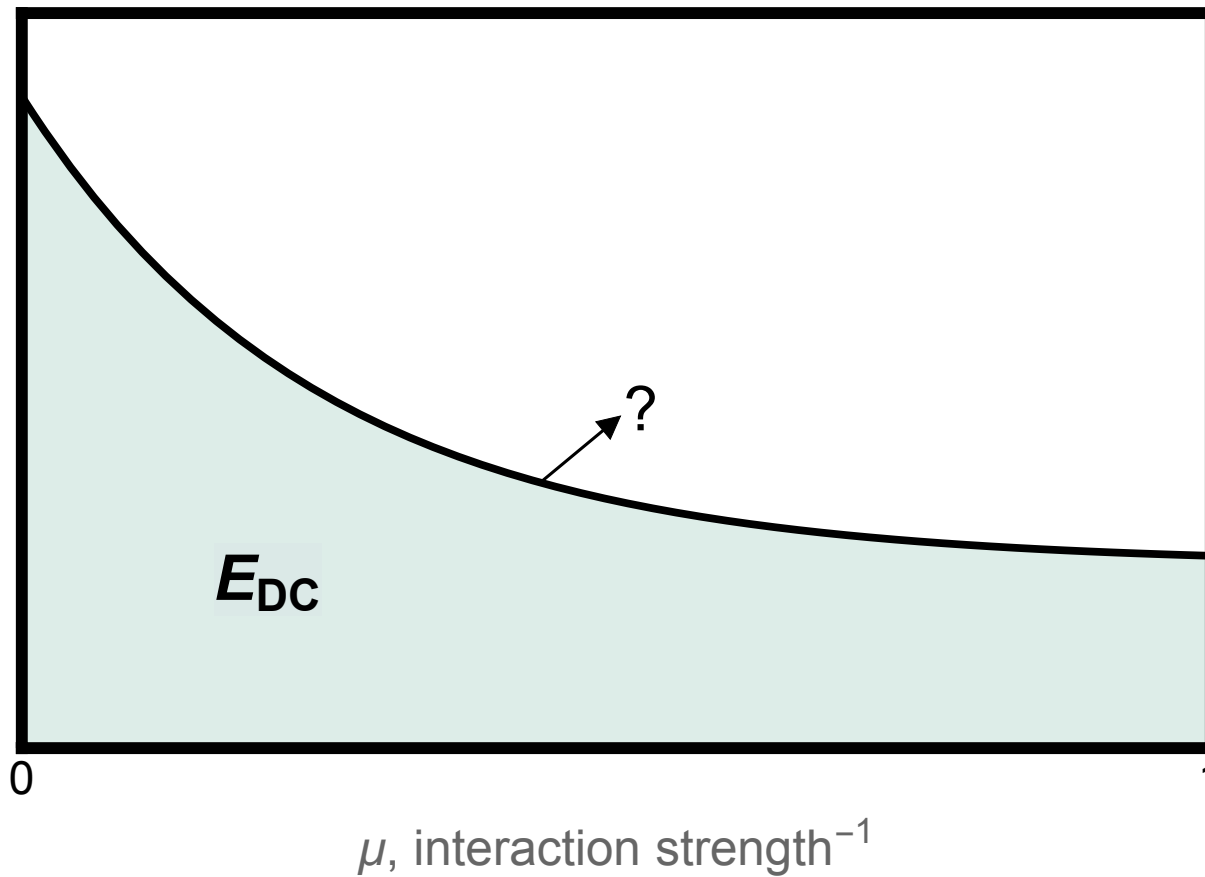
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# The Upside Down with heating





# Reference system

Map interacting system to strictly correlated system with same density.

$$A^\tau[n] = U_{SC}[n] + \int d^3r v_{\text{ext}}(\vec{r})n(\vec{r}) + K_S^\tau[n] + A_{DC}^\tau[n]$$

where

$$K_S^\tau[n] = T_S^\tau[n] - \tau S_S[n]$$

$$U_{SC}^\tau[n] = \sum_i w_i^\tau \langle \Psi_i^\infty | \hat{V}_{ee} | \Psi_i^\infty \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_{DC}^\tau[n] &= E_{DC}^\tau[n] - \tau S_{DC}^\tau[n] \\ &= K_{DC}^\tau[n] + U_{DC}^\tau[n]. \end{aligned}$$

# Upside-down thermal ACF

Traditional adiabatic connection formula at finite temperature (Pittalis, 2011):

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

Upside-down adiabatic connection formula at finite temperature:

$$A_{DC}^\tau[n] = \int_0^1 d\mu \, 2\mu \, K_C^{\frac{\tau}{2}, \mu}[n]$$

**Different integrand temperature due to quadratic entropic scaling.**

# Exact Conditions for SCE

Can use tied coordinate-temperature-interaction scaling to show:

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\mu}^{\frac{\tau}{\mu^2}} [n] &= 2\mu K_C^{\frac{\tau}{\mu^2}, \mu} [n] \\ &= \frac{2}{\mu^3} K_C^{\mu^2 \tau, \mu^3} [n_{\mu^2}] \end{aligned}$$

Can use scaled expression to examine limits:

$$\text{As } \mu \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$M_{\mu}^{\frac{\tau}{\mu^2}} [n] \rightarrow 0$$

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$$M_{\mu}^{\frac{\tau}{\mu^2}} [n] \rightarrow \text{ZT SC system}$$

# Connecting SCE to KS ACF

Since we can write the correlation kentropy in terms of the ACF integrand,

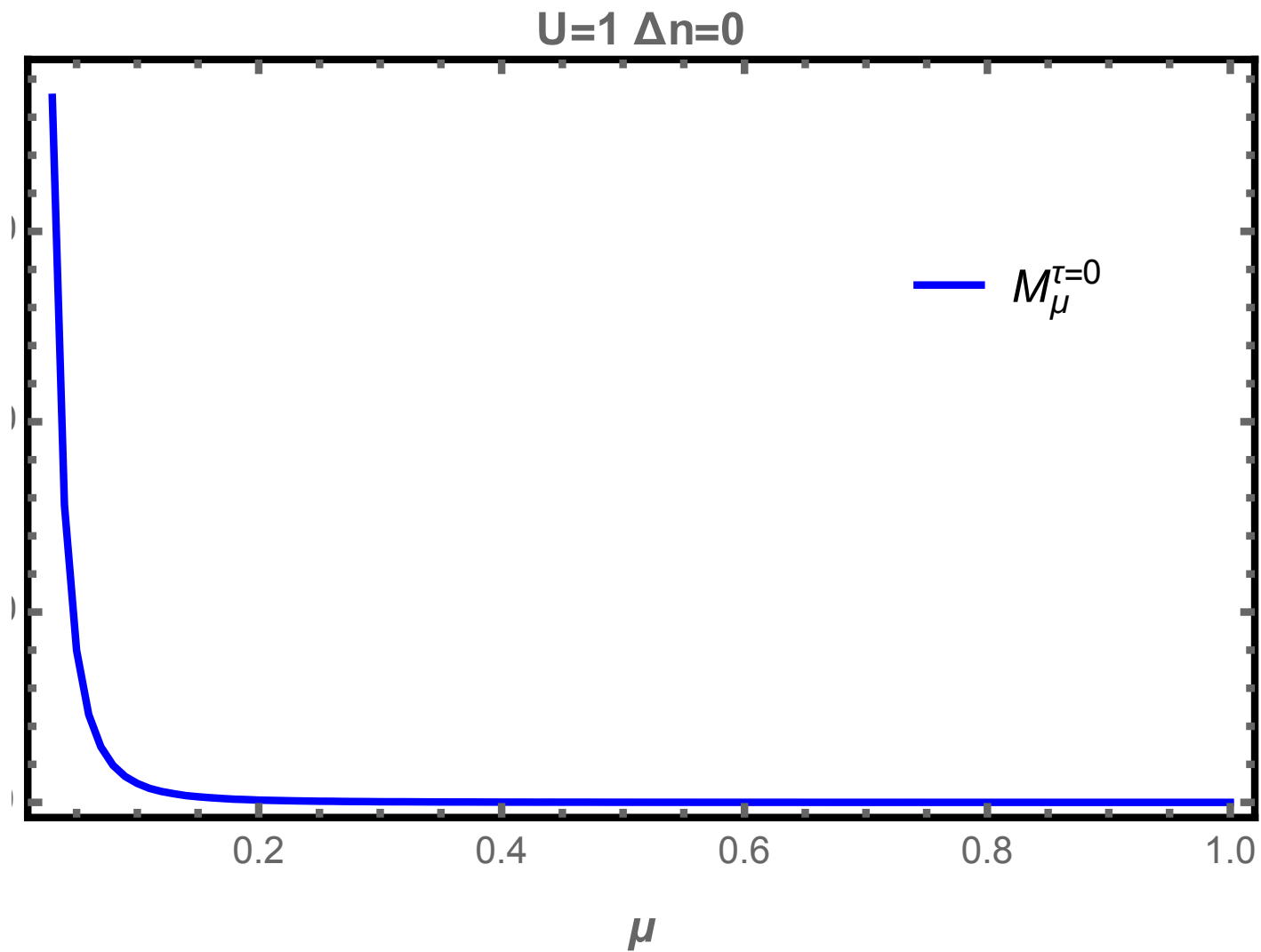
$$K_c^{\tau, \mu}[n] = \int_0^{1/\mu^2} W_\lambda^\tau[n] d\lambda - \frac{1}{\mu^2} W_{1/\mu^2}^\tau[n]$$

we can also write the upside-down ACF integrand in terms of original:

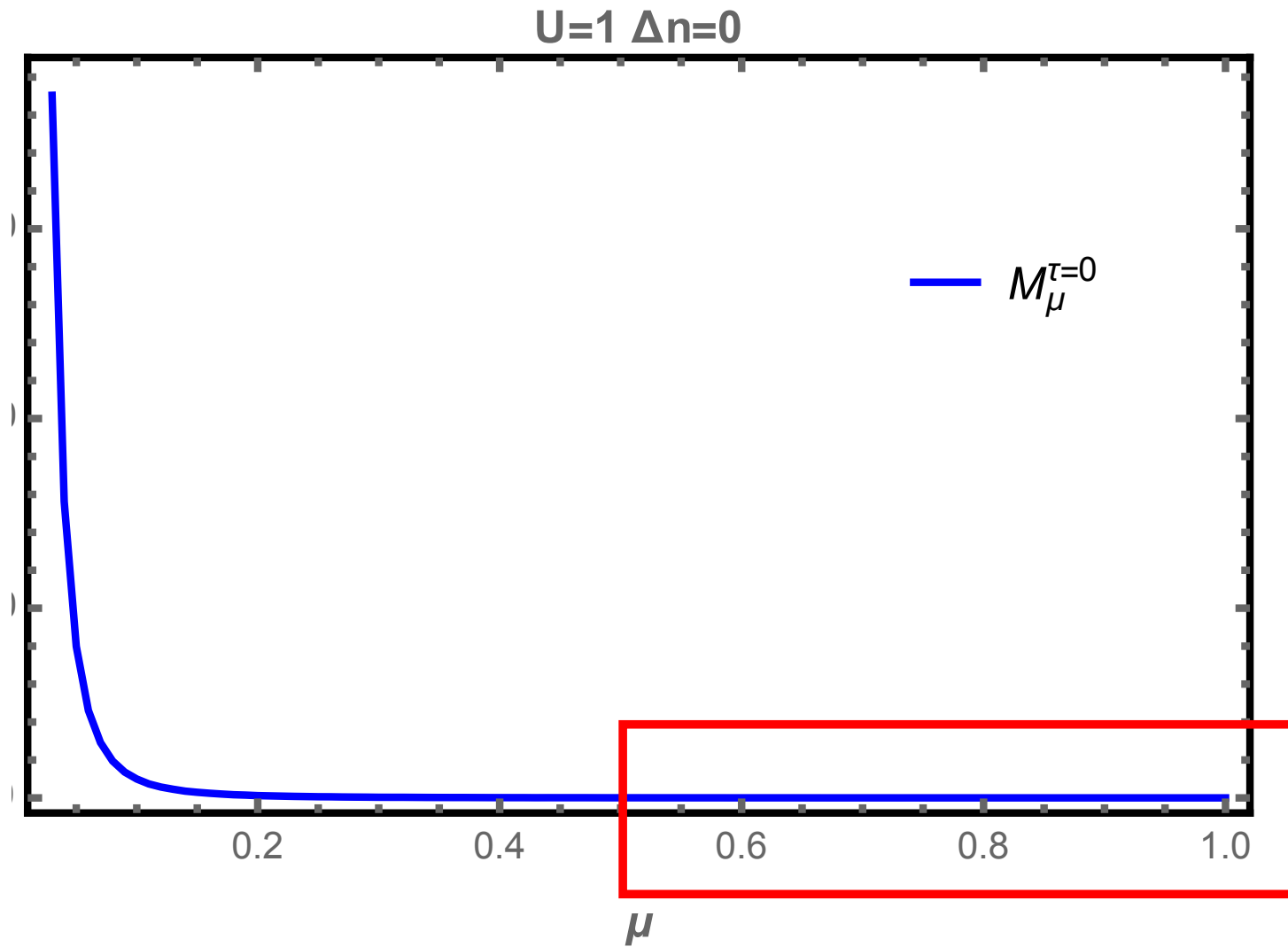
$$M_\mu^\tau[n] = 2\mu \int_0^{1/\mu^2} W_\lambda^\tau[n] - W_{1/\mu^2}^\tau[n] d\lambda$$

**Now we can use Hubbard adiabatic connection (or any other exact or approximate one) to plot upside-down connection.**

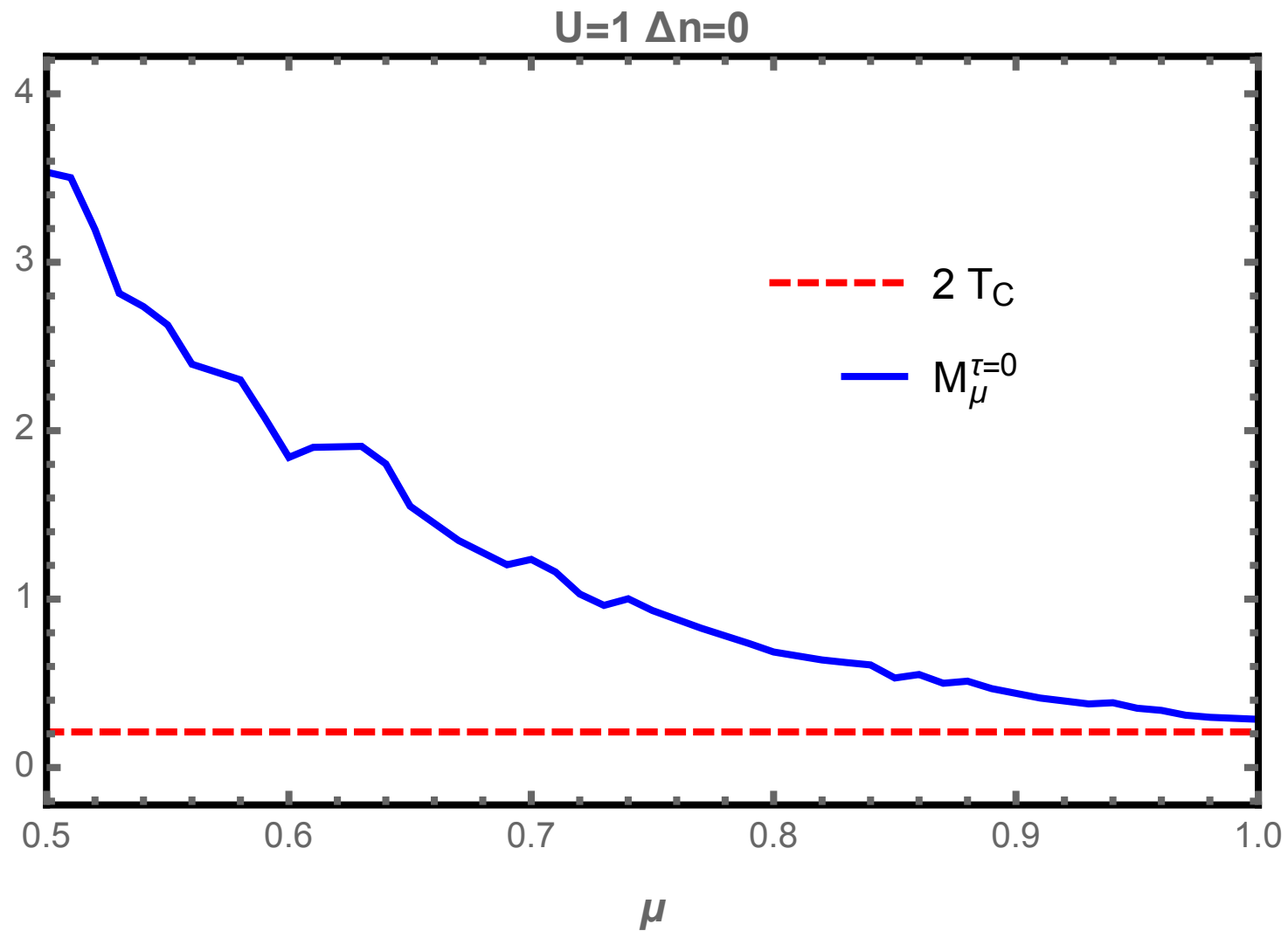
# Odd Preliminary Results, check ZT



# Preliminary Results



# Something's off... zoom in





# Future Work & Open Questions

- Numerical demonstrations: asymmetric Hubbard model, various uniform electron gas parametrizations, more exact conditions
- Zero-point oscillations with temperature effects: what is the effect of quadratic temperature scaling, entropy expansion
- Interpolated approach for WDM? Helpful with WDM ionization processes? Should we interpolate between low-temperature/strong-interaction and high-temperature/weak-interaction regimes? Or another scheme?
- FT KS SCE: SCE as functional for FT KS DFT
  - What is the effect of choice of Hartree definition?
  - Will FT be more or less accurate for intermediate interaction strengths/densities?
  - Will ZTA be more accurate for FT KS SCE than MKS?

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