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**QUANTUM SIMULATIONS  
Model symmetric electron-hole bilayer**

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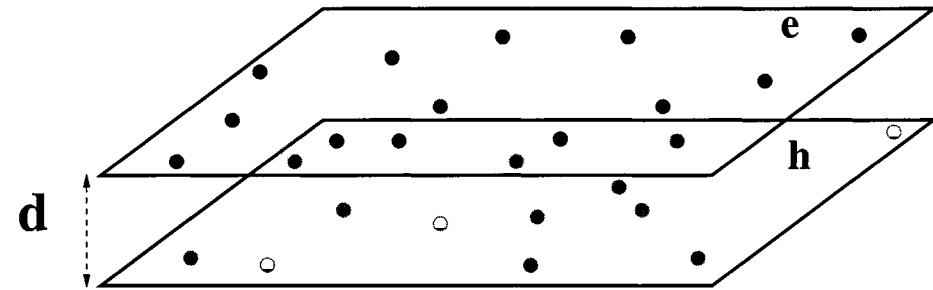
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# Model symmetric electron-hole bilayer



- $m_e = m_h$
- $N_e = N_h = N$
- $B=T=0$ =thickness
- No inter-layer tunnelling



$$H = H^e + H^h \pm \sum_{i,j=1}^N \frac{e^2}{\sqrt{|\mathbf{r}_i^e - \mathbf{r}_j^h|^2 + d^2}},$$

$$H^a = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^N \nabla_i^{a2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j}^N \frac{e^2}{|\mathbf{r}_i^a - \mathbf{r}_j^a|}$$

- $r_s: \pi r_s^2 a_B^2 = \frac{S}{N} = 1/n; \quad \gamma \equiv r_s a_B / d = (e^2 / d) / (e^2 / r_s a_B).$

# BCS Mean-field



- Determine the optimal  $|\Psi\rangle$  (i.e.,  $u_{\mathbf{k}}$  and  $v_{\mathbf{k}}$ ) by minimizing  $\langle\Psi|H|\Psi\rangle$ , with

$$|\Psi\rangle = \prod_{\mathbf{k},\sigma} (u_{\mathbf{k},\sigma} + v_{\mathbf{k},\sigma} e_{\mathbf{k},\sigma}^\dagger h_{\mathbf{k},\sigma}^\dagger) |0\rangle,$$

and  $e_{\mathbf{k},\sigma}^\dagger, h_{\mathbf{k},\sigma}^\dagger$  electron and hole creation operators.

- One defines a BCS (excitonic) orbital  $\varphi(r)$  from

$$\varphi(\mathbf{k}) = v_{\mathbf{k}}/u_{\mathbf{k}}$$

and a gap function

$$\Delta(\mathbf{k}) = u_{\mathbf{k}}v_{\mathbf{k}}$$

# Wavefunctions for e-h layers



- The *Plasma nodes*:

$$\Psi_T(\mathbf{R}) = D_e^\uparrow D_e^\downarrow D_h^\uparrow D_h^\downarrow \mathbf{J},$$

$$\mathbf{J} = \prod_{i_e, j_h} \exp[-u_{eh}(r_{i_e j_h})] \prod_{a=e, h} \prod_{i_a < j_a} \exp[-u_{aa}(r_{i_a j_a})],$$

$$D_a^\sigma = \det[\exp(ir_i^a \cdot k_j)],$$

and  $u_{ab}(r)$  RPA pseudopotentials.

- The *Excitonic/BCS nodes*:

$$\Psi_T(\mathbf{R}) = D^{\uparrow\uparrow} D^{\downarrow\downarrow} \mathbf{J}$$

$$D^{\uparrow\uparrow} = \det[\varphi(|\mathbf{r}_i^e - \mathbf{r}_j^h|)] = D^{\downarrow\downarrow}$$

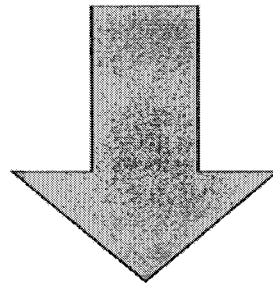
- $\varphi$  from the mean field solution [Zhu et al PRL **74** 1633, (1995)].

# DMC Results for the e-h bilayer



Phase Diagram ( $r_s = 1 \div 20$ )

Correlation Functions ( $r_s = 5$ )

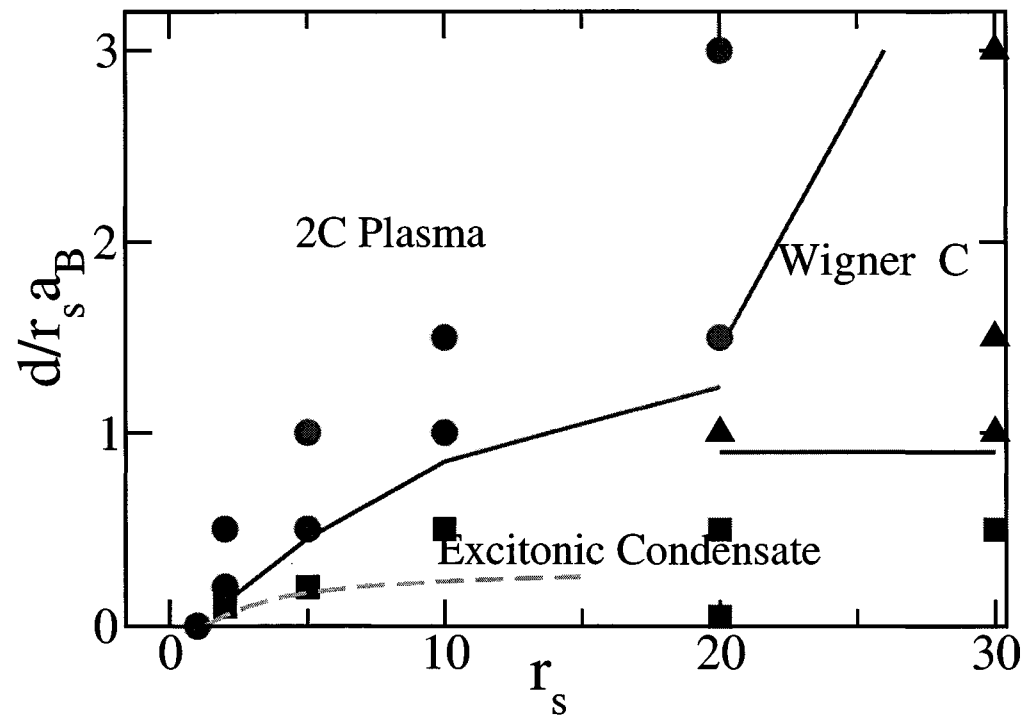
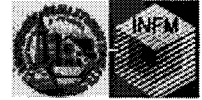


One-body density matrix  $\Rightarrow: h^{(1)}(r)$

Two-body density matrix and Off-Diagonal Long Range Order ODLRO

Pair correlation functions  $\Rightarrow g_{e,e}(r), g_{e,h}(r), g_{h,h}(r)$

# Phase diagram of the e-h bilayer



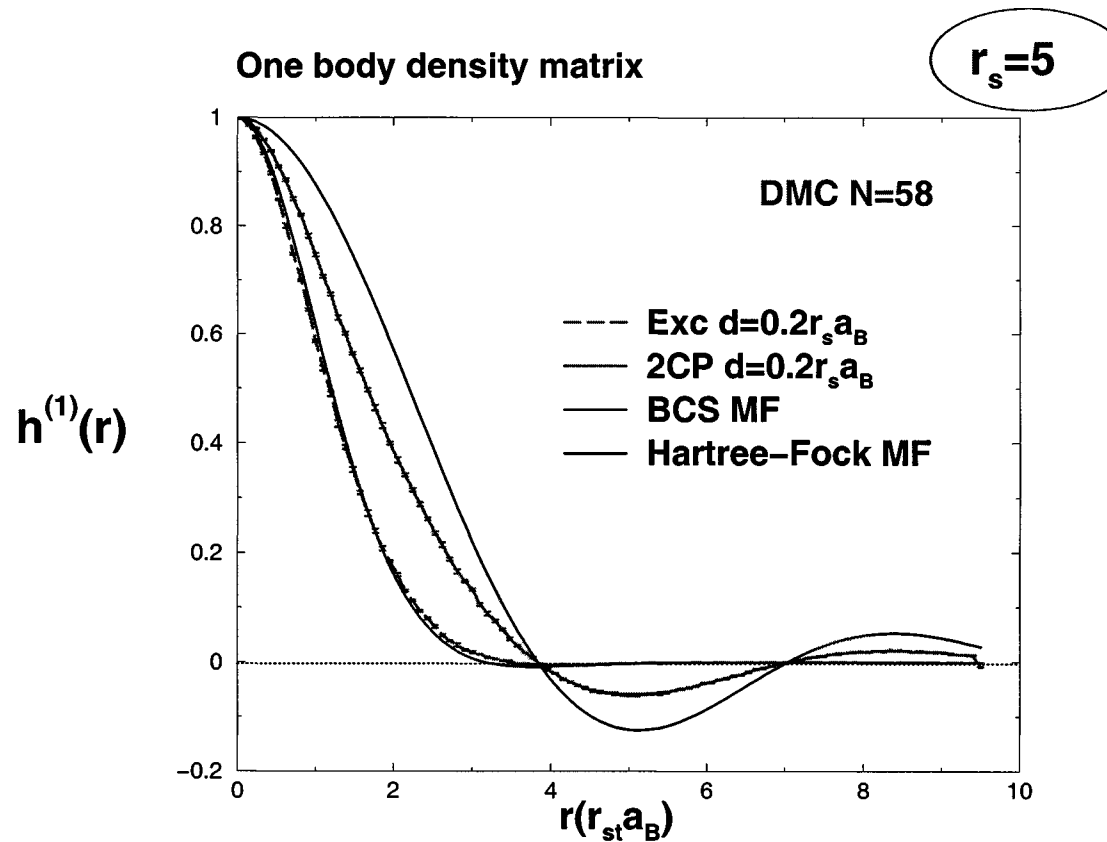
● Unpolarized Phases from extrapolated bulk DMC energy

● Energies of the Polarized Phases do not alter the phase diagram

# One body density matrix – r space

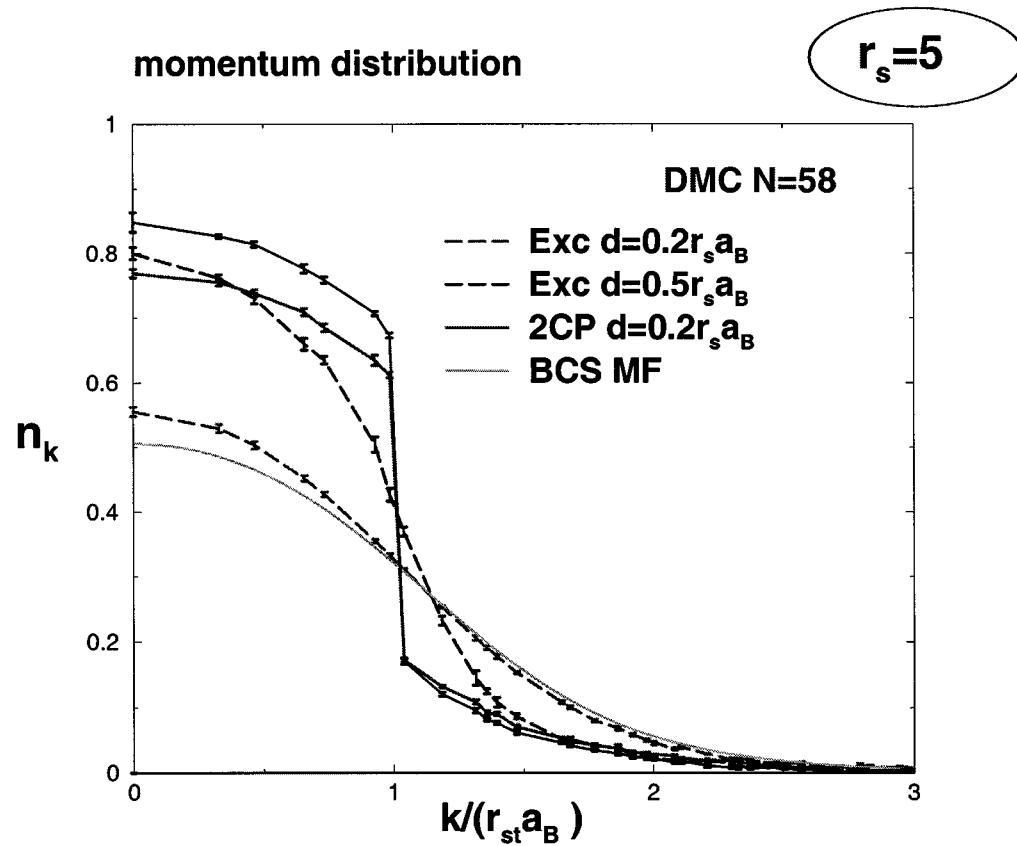


$$h_{e,e}^{(1)}(\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}'_1) = \frac{1}{n} \langle \phi_e^\dagger(\vec{x}_1) \phi_e(\vec{x}'_1) \rangle$$





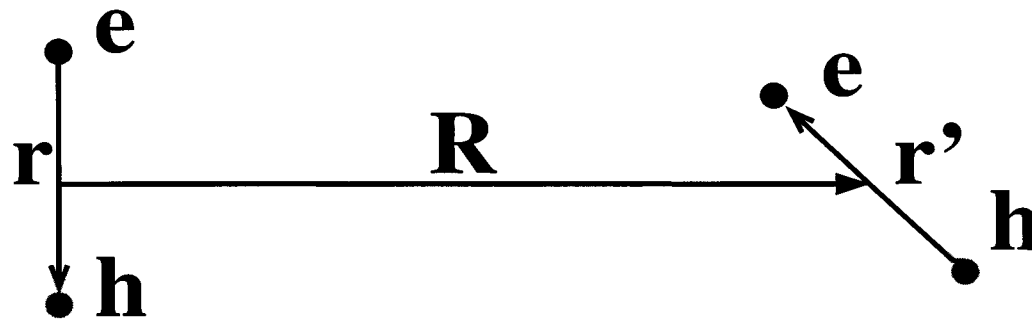
# One body density matrix – k space



# Two body density matrix



$$h^{(2)}(\vec{x}'_e, \vec{x}'_h; \vec{x}_h, \vec{x}_e) = \langle \phi^\dagger(\vec{x}'_e) \phi^\dagger(\vec{x}'_h) \phi(\vec{x}_h) \phi(\vec{x}_e) \rangle$$



Asymptotic behaviour  $\mathbf{R} \gg r, r'$

# Asymptotic behaviour: $\mathbf{R} \gg \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'$



## ● Normal State

$$h^{(2)}(\vec{x}'_e, \vec{x}'_h; \vec{x}_h, \vec{x}_e) \rightarrow n^2 h^{(1)}(\vec{x}'_e, \vec{x}_e) h^{(1)}(\vec{x}'_h, \vec{x}_h)$$

## ● BCS/Excitonic State: ODLRO

$$h^{(2)}(\vec{x}'_e, \vec{x}'_h; \vec{x}_h, \vec{x}_e) \rightarrow \Delta^*(\mathbf{r})\Delta(\mathbf{r}'),$$

in the BCS limit ( $r_s$  small), with  $\Delta(\mathbf{r})$  the gap function or pair amplitude;

$$h^{(2)}(\vec{x}'_e, \vec{x}'_h; \vec{x}_h, \vec{x}_e) \rightarrow \alpha n \varphi^*(\mathbf{r})\varphi(\mathbf{r}'),$$

with  $\varphi^*(\mathbf{r})$  the normalized excitonic wavefunction, in the excitonic limit ( $r_s$  large).

# Projected two body density matrix



- ODLRO can be detected by looking at

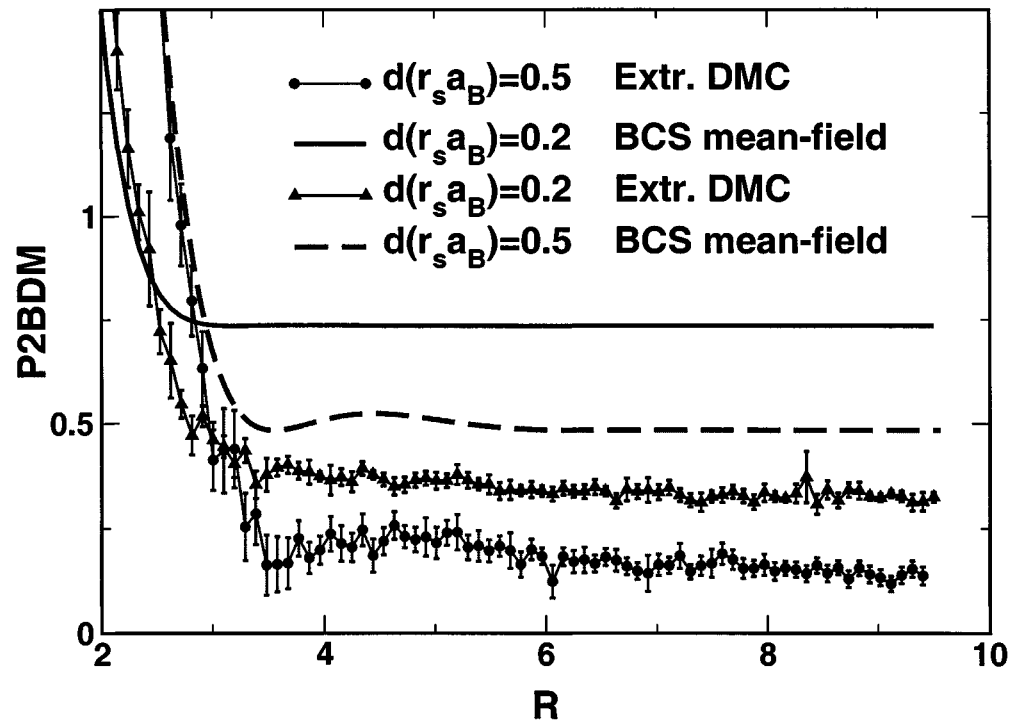
$$f(\mathbf{R}) = \frac{1}{N} \int \frac{d\Omega_R}{2\pi} \int d\mathbf{r} h^{(2)}(0, \vec{r}; \vec{R}, \vec{R} + \vec{r})$$

$$\stackrel{\mathbf{R} \gg \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'}{\implies} \frac{1}{n} \int \frac{d\Omega_R}{2\pi} \int d\mathbf{r} \alpha n |\tilde{\varphi}(\mathbf{r})|^2 \implies \alpha$$

# Two body density matrix: $r_s = 5$



- Projected two body density matrix



# Conclusions: electron–hole bilayer



- Excitonic/BCS state is stable at small distances, with the plasma phase taking over at large distances and/or small  $r_s$ .
- BCS nodes yield a two-body density matrix that displays ODLRO, reduced with respect to the prediction of the BCS mean–field.
- The shortcomings of the BCS–like mean–field treatment are traced to the neglect of in–layers correlations.
- BCS–like mean–field yields stability of the Excitonic/BCS state everywhere and a consistent overestimate of the condensate and related properties.

# Some extra references



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