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Improved Description of Electron-Plasmon Coupling In Green's Function Calculations¹ JIANQIANG ZHOU, LUCIA REINING, Laboratoire des Solides Irradies, Ecole Polytechnique, CNRS-CEA/DSM, F-91128 Palaiseau, France. European Theoretical Spectroscopy Facility (ETSF) — Green's function (GF) methods have been very successful for describing one- or two-particle excitations in solids. The GW approximation [1] is a well established approach for describing quasi-particle peaks in the spectral function. Beyond GW, the cumulant expansion, which is based on a hole-boson coupling model, gives a better description of plasmon satellites [2,3]. However, this traditional time-ordered cumulant (TOC) is only valid far from the Fermi level. Recent development [4] of a generalized cumulant (GC) improves the spectral function close to the Fermi level, but a framework for systematically improving is still missing. Here we show how GW, TOC and GC can be derived as a successive series of approximations in a unified way, and how one can go beyond today's state-of-the-art methods. Results for spectral functions and total energies of an exactly solvable model show that systematic improvement is obtained.

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