



FIG. 7: (color online) (a) Imaginary part of  $\chi_0(\mathbf{q}, \omega)$  (eV), for undoped LaOFeAs, as a function of  $\mathbf{q}$  and  $\omega$ . Results are plotted along  $\Gamma - X - \Gamma - M - \Gamma$  directions. (b) Plot of the real and imaginary parts of  $\chi_0$  as a function of  $\omega$  for  $\mathbf{q}$  corresponding to the  $X$  and  $M$  points of the BZ. Black and red refer to  $x = 0$  and  $x = 0.14$  respectively. The inset of (b) shows the low frequency part of  $\chi_0$  at  $M$  for  $x = 0$  and  $x = 0.14$  (black and red dashed respectively), and at one  $q$ -point close to  $M$  corresponding to the edge of the volcano-like structure of  $\text{Re}\chi_0$  (thin red line).

the  $\text{Im}\chi_0(\mathbf{q}, \omega)$ . Interestingly, if we move slightly away from  $M$  (on the edges of the volcano structure discussed above), we recover a linear trend starting at  $\omega = 0$ .

The band decomposition of  $\text{Im}\chi_0(\mathbf{q}, \omega)$ , reported in Fig. 8 along the  $\Gamma - M - \Gamma$  line, shows that the inter-band ( $e - h$ ) contributions dominate the high frequency part, and are also responsible for the low frequency peak around  $M$ . The two dispersive peaks at low frequency discussed above originate from the intra-band transitions ( $e - e$  and  $h - h$ ); in particular, the relatively high frequency branch comes mainly from electronic bands, while the low frequency one from hole bands. Fig. 8 clearly shows that the  $h - h$  and  $e - e$  contributions are quite asymmetric; this asymmetry is clearly a consequence of the richness of the electronic structure of LaOFeAs near  $E_F$ .