Mach cones in the quark-gluon plasma: Viscosity, speed of sound, and effects of finite source structure

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I use the space-time distribution of energy and momentum deposited by a fast parton traversing a perturbative quark-gluon plasma as a source term for the linearized hydrodynamical equations of the medium. A method of solution for the medium response is presented in detail. Numerical results are given for different values of the shear viscosity to entropy density ratio, *η/s*, and speed of sound, *cs*. Furthermore, I investigate the relevance of finite source structure by expanding the source term up to first order in gradients of a *δ* function centered at the fast parton and comparing the resulting dynamics to that obtained with the full source. It is found that, for the source term used here, the medium response is sensitive to the finite source structure up to distances of several femtometers from the source parton.

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I. INTRODUCTION

A relatively new and exciting problem in quark-gluon plasma (QGP) physics is to determine the response of the medium to the passage of a fast parton. Fast partons are created by hard transverse scattering in the early moments of a heavy-ion collision and have long been considered a useful probe in understanding the QGP. The primary emphasis has focused on the process of *jet quenching* in which fast partons lose energy and momentum by interacting with the surrounding medium (see, for instance, Refs. $[1-8]$). Recently, the question of how the energy and momentum deposited by the fast parton affects the bulk behavior of an evolving QGP has gained attention (see, e.g., Refs. [\[9–18\]](#page-10-0)). Interest in understanding the medium's response to the passage of a fast parton has been spurred on by experimental measurements at the Relativistic Heavy-Ion Collider (RHIC) [\[19](#page-10-0)[–21\]](#page-11-0) of hadron correlation functions, which suggest the fast parton may produce a propagating Mach cone in the medium.

There is strong evidence $[22,23]$ that the matter produced at RHIC obeys the hydrodynamic assumption of local thermal equilibrium. For this reason, the common theoretical approach to examining the QGP's response to a fast parton has been to treat it as a source of energy and momentum coupled to the hydrodynamic equations of the medium. This makes sense provided the medium maintains local thermal equilibrium following the passage of a fast parton. Assuming the medium does respond hydrodynamically to a fast parton then raises the question of what the distribution of energy and momentum deposited is. It has been observed $[9,11,17]$ that the medium's response to fast partons is sensitive to the specific form of energy and momentum deposition, creating the need for a hydrodynamic source term derived from first principles.

It is instructive to consider the mechanism of energy and momentum deposition and the different scales involved. In a quantum chromodynamic (QCD) plasma fast partons interact

with the medium at a distance scale of the order of the inverse Debye mass, $(m_D)^{-1}$. This interaction creates a disturbance, which in turn interacts with the surrounding medium, creating a new disturbance at some larger distance scale. The new disturbance again interacts with the surrounding medium, and eventually the initial disturbance propagates outward to some arbitrarily large distance scale. At distances much greater than the mean free path, Λ_f , the medium's response to the initial disturbance can be accurately described by hydrodynamics. Thus an effective QCD hydrodynamic source term should include the medium's response up to distances of order Λ_f , at which point the system evolves hydrodynamically. Whether the plasma is weakly or strongly coupled, the initial energy and momentum deposition occurs at a distance scale of the order of the inverse Debye mass, although the specific value of the Debye mass depends on the strength of the coupling. However, in a strongly coupled plasma, the concept of a mean free path loses meaning, and instead the de Broglie wavelength sets the minimum scale at which the hydrodynamical description is valid. In general, the application of hydrodynamics is valid on shorter distance scales for more strongly coupled mediums.

Recently, Neufeld [\[24\]](#page-11-0) presented a derivation of the hydrodynamic source term expected from a fast parton moving through a perturbative QGP, both with and without including the effect of color screening, by including the medium response at a distance scale of the order $(m_D)^{-1}$. Using the unscreened, relativistic form of this source term coupled to the linearized hydrodynamical equations of the medium the authors of Ref. [\[18\]](#page-10-0) showed that the medium response includes a propagating sound wave with the shape of a Mach cone and a diffusive wake. In this work, I will use a slightly modified form of the relativistic limit of this source term in the linearized hydrodynamical equations of the medium. A detailed solution of the equations of motion will be presented along with the resulting dynamics for a range of values of the shear viscosity to entropy density ratio, η/s , and speed of sound, c_s . I will also expand the source term up to first order in a series of gradients of a *δ* function and compare to the full result, in an effort to understand the relevance of finite source structure.

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FIG. 1. Some of the distance scales relevant to the hydrodynamic response of a weakly coupled QGP to fast partons.

It will be shown that the medium response is sensitive to the finite source structure up to distances of several femtometers from the source parton for the source term used here.

In a weakly coupled QCD plasma at high temperature *T*, the inverse Debye mass is of order $(gT)^{-1}$, where *g* is the running coupling, whereas the transport mean free path is of order $(g^4T)^{-1}$ [\[25\]](#page-11-0). The medium's response to disturbances at distance scales between $(gT)^{-1}$ and $(g^4T)^{-1}$ is accurately described by the Boltzmann equation (see Fig. 1). The hydrodynamic source term examined here includes the medium's response at a distance scale of the order of the inverse Debye mass, at which point the medium's hydrodynamic response is invoked. This is a simplification of the true QCD evolution, where the medium's evolution between $(gT)^{-1}$ and $(g^4T)^{-1}$ should be described by the Boltzmann equation, after which the hydrodynamic response can be invoked. However, in the QGP produced at RHIC, it is likely that the mean free path is comparable in size to the inverse Debye mass (compare, for instance, Refs. [\[26\]](#page-11-0) and [\[27\]](#page-11-0)). Thus, from a phenomenological point of view, physics at a distance scale of the order $(m_D)^{-1}$ may be relevant to the specific structure of the medium's hydrodynamic response to fast partons. However, this also suggests the QGP produced at RHIC may be strongly coupled, limiting the application of perturbation theory.

The paper is structured as follows. In Sec. II I consider the general form of linearized hydrodynamics with a source term. I then introduce the specific source term studied here. In Sec. [III](#page-2-0) the source term is expanded in terms of gradients of a *δ* function up to first order. Both the full source term and the *δ* function expanded form are then Fourier transformed into momentum space. In Sec. [IV](#page-3-0) the hydrodynamic equations are solved in terms of a one-dimensional numerical integration. In Sec[.V](#page-5-0) results are given for both the full source and the *δ* function expanded version, as well as different values of the viscosity and speed of sound. In what follows I choose units such that $\hbar = c = k_b = 1$.

II. LINEARIZED HYDRODYNAMICS WITH A SOURCE TERM

The first-order hydrodynamical equations for a medium with nonzero shear viscosity η in the presence of a source term J^{ν} are given by

$$
\partial_{\mu}T^{\mu\nu} = J^{\nu},\tag{1}
$$

where $T^{\mu\nu}$ is the energy-momentum tensor of the system. If one assumes that the energy and momentum density deposited by the fast parton is small compared to the equilibrium energy density of the medium, the hydrodynamical equations [Eq. (1)] can be linearized. Defining $T^{\mu\nu} = T_0^{\mu\nu} + \delta T^{\mu\nu}$, where $\delta T^{\mu\nu}$ is the perturbation of the energy-momentum tensor resulting from the source in an otherwise static medium, one has

$$
\partial_{\mu}\delta T^{\mu\nu} = J^{\nu},\tag{2}
$$

where $\partial_{\mu} T_0^{\mu \nu} = 0$ and $\delta T^{\mu \nu}$ is given by [\[9\]](#page-10-0)

$$
\delta T^{00} \equiv \delta \epsilon, \quad \delta T^{0i} \equiv \mathbf{g},
$$

$$
\delta T^{ij} = \delta_{ij} c_s^2 \delta \epsilon - \frac{3}{4} \Gamma_s \left(\partial^i g^j + \partial^j g^i - \frac{2}{3} \delta_{ij} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{g} \right).
$$
 (3)

In Eqs. (3) c_s denotes the speed of sound, $\Gamma_s \equiv \frac{4\eta}{3(\epsilon_0 + p_0)} =$ $\frac{4\eta}{3sT}$ is the sound attenuation length, and ϵ_0 and p_0 are the unperturbed energy density and pressure, respectively.

By introducing the general rule for Fourier transforms

$$
F(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \int d^3k \int d\omega \ e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x} - i\omega t} F(\mathbf{k}, \omega), \qquad (4)
$$

the equations given by Eq. (2) are written in momentum space as

$$
J^0 = -i\omega\delta\epsilon + i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{g},\tag{5}
$$

$$
\mathbf{J} = -i\omega \mathbf{g} + i\mathbf{k}c_s^2 \delta \epsilon + \frac{3}{4}\Gamma_s \left(k^2 \mathbf{g} + \frac{\mathbf{k}}{3}(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{g})\right). \tag{6}
$$

Solving for $\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{g}$ in Eq. (6) allows for $\delta \epsilon$ to be determined from Eq. (5) :

$$
\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{g} = k g_L = \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{J} - ik^2 c_s^2 \delta \epsilon}{-i\omega + \Gamma_s k^2}
$$
(7)

and hence

$$
\delta \epsilon(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \frac{ikJ_L(\mathbf{k}, \omega) + J^0(\mathbf{k}, \omega)(i\omega - \Gamma_s k^2)}{\omega^2 - c_s^2 k^2 + i\Gamma_s \omega k^2},
$$
 (8)

where the source and perturbed momentum density vectors are divided into transverse and longitudinal parts: $\mathbf{g} = \hat{\mathbf{k}}g_L + \hat{\mathbf{k}}g_R$ \mathbf{g}_T and $\mathbf{J} = \hat{\mathbf{k}} J_L + \mathbf{J}_T$, with $\hat{\mathbf{k}}$ denoting the unit vector in the direction of **k**. Similarly, one has from Eqs. (5) and (8)

$$
kg_L = -iJ^0 + \omega \delta \epsilon, \tag{9}
$$

yielding

$$
\mathbf{g}_L(\mathbf{k},\omega) = \hat{\mathbf{k}}g_L = \frac{i\omega \hat{\mathbf{k}} J_L(\mathbf{k},\omega) + i c_s^2 \mathbf{k} J^0(\mathbf{k},\omega)}{\omega^2 - c_s^2 k^2 + i \Gamma_s \omega k^2}.
$$
 (10)

The transverse part of **g** can be obtained from Eq. (6). The calculation is simplified by considering that any part of **g** proportional to **k** is a part of **g***L*. This leaves

$$
\mathbf{g}_T(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \mathbf{g} - \mathbf{g}_L = \frac{i \mathbf{J}_T(\mathbf{k}, \omega)}{\omega + \frac{3}{4} i \Gamma_s k^2}.
$$
 (11)

Equation (11) is a diffusion equation and the quantity \mathbf{g}_T is interpreted as diffusive momentum density generated by the fast parton. Equations (8) and (10) describe damped sound waves propagating at speed c_s ; it follows that $\delta \epsilon$ and \mathbf{g}_L are interpreted as the energy and momentum density carried by sound generated by the fast parton. The importance of the explicit form of the source term can be readily seen. In

a homogeneous medium symmetries ensure that the source vector, **J**, can be written generally as

$$
\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{u}p(r) + \nabla q(r),\tag{12}
$$

where **u** is the velocity of the source particle and $p(r)$ and $q(r)$ are scalar functions of the (possibly Lorentz-contracted) magnitude $r = \sqrt{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u}t)^2}$. If we instead write Eq. (12) in momentum space we have

$$
\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{k},\omega) = \mathbf{u} \int d^4x \, e^{ik \cdot x} p(r) + i\mathbf{k} \int d^4x \, e^{ik \cdot x} q(r) \quad (13)
$$

and \mathbf{J}_T is found to be

$$
\mathbf{J}_T(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \mathbf{J} - \frac{\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{J})}{k^2}
$$

$$
= \left(\frac{\mathbf{u}k^2 - \mathbf{k}(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{u})}{k^2}\right) \int d^4x \, e^{ik \cdot x} p(r), \quad (14)
$$

so that $q(r)$ does not contribute to \mathbf{J}_T . If one chooses the source [Eq. (12)] such that $p(r) = 0$ then there is no excitation of the diffusive momentum density. It is clear that the hydrodynamics of the system are sensitive to the specific form of the source term. In particular, terms that are in the form of a gradient only generate sound.

As mentioned previously, in this work I use the source term derived in Ref. [\[24\]](#page-11-0). There, the fast parton was treated as the source of an external color field interacting with a perturbative QGP through a Vlasov equation. For a gluonic medium at temperature *T* in the presence of a parton moving with velocity $\mathbf{u} = u\hat{z}$ at position $\mathbf{r} = ut\hat{z}$ in the relativistic limit [$\gamma = (1 - \hat{z})$ $(u^2)^{-1/2} \gg 1$], the source is given by

$$
J^{\nu}(x) = [J^0(x), \mathbf{u}J^0(x) - \mathbf{J}_{\nu}], \tag{15}
$$

where

$$
J^{0}(\rho, z, t) = d(\rho, z, t)\gamma u^{2} \left(1 - \frac{\gamma u z_{-}}{\sqrt{z_{-}^{2}\gamma^{2} + \rho^{2}}}\right), (16)
$$

$$
\mathbf{J}_{v}(\rho, z, t) = (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u}t)d(\rho, z, t)\frac{u^4}{\sqrt{z_{-}^2\gamma^2 + \rho^2}},
$$
(17)

and

$$
d(\rho, z, t) = \frac{\alpha_s \left(Q_p^a\right)^2 m_D^2}{8\pi (\rho^2 + \gamma^2 z_-^2)^{3/2}}.
$$
 (18)

In these expressions, $(Q_p^a)^2 = 3$ for a gluon and 4/3 for a quark, $\rho = (x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}$ is the radius transverse to the *z* axis, $\alpha_s =$ $g^2/4\pi$ is the strong coupling constant, $m_D = gT$, and $z =$ $(z - ut)$. In what follows any numerical coefficient suppressed by powers of γ^2 will be dropped. For instance, terms such as γ^2 + 1 will be taken as γ^2 .

The vector part of the source, $\mathbf{J} = \mathbf{u}J^0 - \mathbf{J}_v$, is explicitly

$$
\mathbf{J} = \frac{\alpha_s \left(Q_p^a\right)^2 m_D^2 u^2}{8\pi} \left(\frac{\gamma \mathbf{u}}{(z_-^2 \gamma^2 + \rho^2)^{3/2}} - \frac{u^2(x, y, z - \gamma^2)}{(z_-^2 \gamma^2 + \rho^2)^2}\right),\tag{19}
$$

which, as one can verify, can be rewritten in the form of Eq. (12),

$$
\mathbf{J} = \frac{\alpha_s \left(Q_p^a\right)^2 m_D^2 u^2}{8\pi} \left(\frac{\gamma \mathbf{u}}{(z_-^2 \gamma^2 + \rho^2)^{3/2}} + \nabla \frac{u^2}{2(z_-^2 \gamma^2 + \rho^2)}\right).
$$
\n(20)

III. DELTA FUNCTION EXPANSION AND MOMENTUM SPACE REPRESENTATION OF THE SOURCE

At distances increasingly far from the fast parton, one expects that the source term will begin to look like a *δ* function. Since hydrodynamics is a long-distance effective theory, the hydrodynamic solutions (in the range of validity) should be dominated by the lowest order terms in an expansion of gradients of a *δ* function centered at the location of the source parton. (A detailed discussion of this is given in Ref. [\[16\]](#page-10-0).) Higher order terms in the expansion, which are sensitive to the detailed structure of the source term, will become less important at larger distances. In this section, I will expand the source term, as given by Eqs. (16) and (20) , up to first order in gradients of a *δ* function. Later, the hydrodynamic equations, Eqs. (8) , (10) , (11) , will be solved for both the full source term and the truncated series. A comparison of the solutions will highlight at what distance scales the detailed structure of the source term becomes negligible. It will prove convenient to Fourier transform the source into momentum space, which I will also do in this section, before attempting to solve the hydrodynamic equations. The effect of color screening, which is absent in Eqs. (16) and (20) , will be modeled by including a damping factor of the form $e^{-\rho m}$, where m⁻¹ is a typical screening scale. In a perturbative QGP the inverse screening scale is given by $m_D = gT$, which appears as a coefficient in front of the source term used here. However, in principle, at higher orders the screening scale may be different than what appears as the coefficient of the source term. It is thus instructive to keep m arbitrary; however, in solving the hydrodynamical equations in Sec. [IV](#page-3-0) I will set $m = gT$. Also, when necessary, a short-distance cutoff will be used to regulate ultraviolet divergences. A common choice, which will also be used here, for the short-distance cutoff in collisional energy loss is $\rho_{\min} = (2\sqrt{E_p T})^{-1}$, where E_p is the energy of the fast parton (see, for instance, Ref. [\[28\]](#page-11-0)).

Consider Eq. (16), which can be expanded as

$$
J^{0}(\rho, z, t) = C_0 \delta(\mathbf{x}_{-}) + \mathbf{C}_1 \cdot \nabla \delta(\mathbf{x}_{-}) + \cdots,
$$
 (21)

where I have used the shorthand notation

$$
\delta(\mathbf{x}_{-}) \equiv \delta(x)\delta(y)\delta(z - ut). \tag{22}
$$

The coefficients C_0 and C_1 are found by taking the appropriate moment of $J^0(\rho, z, t)$. Introducing the damping factor $e^{-\rho m}$, one has, for C_0 ,

$$
C_0 = \int d^3x J^0(\rho, z, t) e^{-\rho m}
$$

=
$$
\int d^3x \frac{\alpha_s (Q^a_p)^2 m_D^2 \gamma u^2}{8\pi (\rho^2 + \gamma^2 z_-^2)^{3/2}} e^{-\rho m}
$$

=
$$
\frac{\alpha_s (Q^a_p)^2 m_D^2 u^2}{2} G_0 \left(\frac{m}{2\sqrt{E_p T}}\right),
$$
 (23)

where $(2\sqrt{E_pT})^{-1}$ has been introduced as a short-distance cutoff and G_0 is a representation of the incomplete Gamma function

$$
G_0(z) = \int_z^{\infty} dt \, \frac{e^{-t}}{t}.
$$
 (24)

The coefficient given by Eq. (23) gives the total energy deposited into the medium per unit time.

Similarly, C_1 can be obtained as

$$
\mathbf{C}_{1} = -\int d^{3}x(x, y, z_{-})J^{0}(\rho, z, t)e^{-\rho m} \n= \int d^{3}x \frac{\alpha_{s} (Q_{p}^{a})^{2}m_{D}^{2} \gamma^{2} u^{3}}{8\pi} \frac{z_{-}(x, y, z_{-})}{(\rho^{2} + \gamma^{2} z_{-}^{2})^{2}} e^{-\rho m} \n= \frac{\alpha_{s} (Q_{p}^{a})^{2}m_{D}^{2} u^{2}}{2} \left(0, 0, \frac{\pi u}{4m\gamma}\right).
$$
\n(25)

The results from Eqs. (23) and (25) , together with Eq. (21) , give

$$
J_D^0(\rho, z, t) = \frac{\alpha_s (Q_p^a)^2 m_D^2 u^2}{2} \times \left(G_0 \left(\frac{m}{2\sqrt{E_p T}} \right) + \frac{\pi u}{4m\gamma} \partial_z \right) \delta(\mathbf{x}_-) + \cdots,
$$
\n(26)

where the subscript $_D$ is meant to indicate the expansion in</sub> gradients of a *δ* function. Proceeding in an analogous manner yields for Eq. (20) , we have

$$
\mathbf{J}_D(\rho, z, t) = \frac{\alpha_s \left(Q_p^a\right)^2 m_D^2 u^2}{2} \left(\mathbf{u} G_0 \left(\frac{\mathbf{m}}{2\sqrt{E_p T}}\right) + \frac{\pi}{8\mathbf{m}\gamma} (u^2 \nabla + \mathbf{u} (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla))\right) \delta(\mathbf{x}_-) + \cdots (27)
$$

Equations (26) and (27) provide the expansion of the full source, Eqs. (16) and (20) , up to first order in gradients of a *δ* function.

As previously mentioned, it is easiest to solve for the hydrodynamics in Fourier space. To do this, it is necessary to first transform the source terms into momentum space, following the general rule given by Eq. [\(4\)](#page-1-0). The details of the Fourier transforms of Eqs. (16) and (20) are give in the Appendix, and the result is

$$
J^{0}(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \frac{\alpha_{s} (Q_{p}^{a})^{2} m_{D}^{2} u^{2}}{2} (2\pi) \delta(\omega - uk_{z})
$$

\n
$$
\times \left(G_{0} \left(\frac{\mathbf{m} + k_{T}}{2\sqrt{E_{p}T}} \right) + \frac{i\pi (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{k})}{4\gamma \sqrt{k_{T}^{2} + \mathbf{m}^{2}}} \right),
$$

\n
$$
\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \frac{\alpha_{s} (Q_{p}^{a})^{2} m_{D}^{2} u^{2}}{2} (2\pi) \delta(\omega - uk_{z})
$$

\n
$$
\times \left(\mathbf{u} G_{0} \left(\frac{\mathbf{m} + k_{T}}{2\sqrt{E_{p}T}} \right) + \frac{i\pi}{4\gamma} \left(\frac{\sqrt{k_{T}^{2} + \mathbf{m}^{2}} - \mathbf{m}}{k_{T}^{2}} \right) \right)
$$

\n
$$
\times \left(u^{2} \mathbf{k} + \frac{\mathbf{u} (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{k}) \mathbf{m}}{\sqrt{k_{T}^{2} + \mathbf{m}^{2}}} \right) \right). \tag{28}
$$

These equations should be compared to the Fourier transforms of Eqs. (26) and (27) , which are found by making the replacements $\delta(z_{-}) \rightarrow (2\pi)\delta(\omega - uk_{z})$ and $\nabla \rightarrow i\mathbf{k}$:

$$
J_D^0(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \frac{\alpha_s \left(Q_p^a\right)^2 m_D^2 u^2}{2} (2\pi) \delta(\omega - uk_z)
$$

$$
\times \left(G_0 \left(\frac{\mathbf{m}}{2\sqrt{E_p T}} \right) + \frac{i\pi (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{k})}{4 \mathbf{m} \gamma} \right),
$$

$$
J_D(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \frac{\alpha_s \left(Q_p^a\right)^2 m_D^2 u^2}{2} (2\pi) \delta(\omega - uk_z)
$$

$$
\times \left(\mathbf{u} G_0 \left(\frac{\mathbf{m}}{2\sqrt{E_p T}} \right) + \frac{i\pi}{8 \mathbf{m} \gamma} (u^2 \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{u} (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{k})) \right).
$$

(29)

One can verify that Eq. (28) reduces to Eq. (29) by taking the $k_T \rightarrow 0$ limit in the coefficients of 1 and **k**. Equations (28) and (29) will be used in the next section to solve for the hydrodynamic variables of the medium.

As discussed at the beginning of the section, at distances increasingly far from the fast parton the source term is dominated by the lowest order terms in an expansion of gradients of a *δ* function. It is clear from inspection that the detailed structure of the full source term, given by Eq. (28), becomes important at a momentum scale $k \sim m$. This could have been anticipated, since the full source term is calculated up to distances of the order of the screening length. A quantitative comparison of the effects of Eqs. (28) and (29) requires solving the hydrodynamic equations. This will be done in the next section.

IV. SOLVING THE EQUATIONS

The result given by Eq. (28) is combined with Eqs. (8) , [\(10\)](#page-1-0), and [\(11\)](#page-1-0) to yield $\delta \epsilon(\mathbf{k}, \omega)$, $\mathbf{g}_L(\mathbf{k}, \omega)$, and $\mathbf{g}_T(\mathbf{k}, \omega)$. These are then transformed back to position space using Eq. [\(4\)](#page-1-0). In $\delta \epsilon(\mathbf{k}, \omega)$ and $\mathbf{g}_L(\mathbf{k}, \omega)$, one can find J_L by taking $\hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \mathbf{J}$, which is written conveniently as

$$
J_L = \frac{\alpha_s (Q_p^a)^2 m_D^2 u^2}{2k} (2\pi) \delta(\omega - u k_z)
$$

$$
\times \left((\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{k}) \left(G_0 \left(\frac{m_D + k_T}{2\sqrt{E_p T}} \right) + \frac{i\pi (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{k})}{4\gamma \sqrt{k_T^2 + m_D^2}} \right) + \frac{i\pi u^2}{4\gamma} (\sqrt{k_T^2 + m_D^2} - m_D) \right)
$$

$$
= \frac{(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{k}) J^0}{k} + \frac{\alpha_s (Q_p^a)^2 m_D^2 u^2}{2k} (2\pi) \delta(\omega - u k_z) \frac{i\pi u^2}{4\gamma}
$$

$$
\times (\sqrt{k_T^2 + m_D^2} - m_D), \tag{30}
$$

where I am now taking m = m_D . After integrating out $\delta(\omega$ uk_z) and using Eq. [\(A5\)](#page-9-0), the expression for $\delta \epsilon(\mathbf{x}, t)$ is given by

$$
\delta\epsilon(\mathbf{x},t) = \frac{\alpha_s \left(Q_p^a\right)^2 m_D^2 u^2 \lambda^2}{8\pi^2 c_s^2} \int dk_T dk_z \frac{k_T J_0(\rho k_T) e^{ik_z(z - ut)}}{k_z^2 - \lambda^2 k_T^2 + i\sigma}
$$

$$
\times \left(\left(G_0 \left(\frac{m_D + k_T}{2\sqrt{E_p T}} \right) + \frac{i\pi uk_z}{4\gamma\sqrt{k_T^2 + m_D^2}} \right) \right)
$$

$$
\times (2iuk_z - \Gamma_s k^2) - \frac{\pi u^2}{4\gamma} \left(\sqrt{k_T^2 + m_D^2} - m_D \right), \tag{31}
$$

where $\lambda^2 = c_s^2 / (u^2 - c_s^2), \sigma = \Gamma_s u (\lambda^2 / c_s^2) k_z (k_T^2 + k_z^2),$ and I am again working in plane polar coordinates. The integral over k_z can be performed by using contour integration. Poles are located at $k_z = \pm (k_T^2 \lambda^2 \mp i|\sigma|)^{1/2}$, where $|\sigma|$ is itself a function of k_z . When evaluating the residues at these poles I make the approximation $\sigma(k_z) \approx \sigma(\pm k_T \lambda)$. This approximation is valid at momentum scales for which the sound attenuation is small $(k_T \ll c_s^2/\Gamma_s)$, which should be reasonable in the hydrodynamic limit. Both poles are located in the lower complex plane so that the integration only contributes for $z < ut$ (i.e., behind the source parton). Performing the integration yields

$$
\delta \epsilon(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{\alpha_s \left(Q_p^a\right)^2 m_D^2 u^2 \lambda^2}{4\pi c_s^2}
$$

\n
$$
\times \text{Re} \left[\int d k_T \frac{i J_0(\rho k_T) e^{ik_T \sqrt{\lambda^2 - ik_T \alpha}(z - ut)}}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 - ik_T \alpha}} \right]
$$

\n
$$
\times \left(\frac{\pi u^2}{4\gamma} \left(\sqrt{k_T^2 + m_D^2} - m_D \right) - \left(G_0 \left(\frac{m_D + k_T}{2\sqrt{E_p T}} \right) + \frac{i \pi u k_T \sqrt{\lambda^2 - ik_T \alpha}}{4\gamma \sqrt{k_T^2 + m_D^2}} \right) \right)
$$

\n
$$
\times \left(2i u k_T \sqrt{\lambda^2 - ik_T \alpha} - \Gamma_s k_T^2 (1 + \lambda^2 - ik_T \alpha) \right) \right],
$$

\n(32)

where $\alpha \equiv \Gamma_s u \lambda^3 / [c_s^2 (\lambda^2 + 1)]$. The final integration over k_1 is performed numerically. The analogous expression resulting from Eq. (29) is given by

$$
\delta \epsilon_D(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{\alpha_s \left(Q_p^a\right)^2 m_D^2 u^2 \lambda^2}{4\pi c_s^2} \times \text{Re} \left[\int dk_T \frac{i J_0(\rho k_T) e^{ik_T \sqrt{\lambda^2 - ik_T \alpha}(z-u)}}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 - ik_T \alpha}} \times \left(\frac{\pi u^2 k_T^2}{8 \gamma m_D} - \left(G_0 \left(\frac{m_D}{2 \sqrt{E_p T}} \right) \right) + \frac{i \pi u k_T \sqrt{\lambda^2 - ik_T \alpha}}{4 \gamma m_D} \right) \left(2i u k_T \sqrt{\lambda^2 - ik_T \alpha} - \Gamma_s k_T^2 (1 + \lambda^2 - ik_T \alpha) \right) \right]. \tag{33}
$$

The same approach is applied to $\mathbf{g}_L(\mathbf{x}, t)$. The contour integration proceeds in the same manner as in Eq. (31) with the exception that one term has additional poles at $k_z = \pm i k_T$. The additional pole at $k_z = i k_T$ allows for some contribution in the region in front of the source parton. The result is

$$
g_{L}(x, t) = \frac{\alpha_{s} (Q_{p}^{a})^{2} m_{D}^{2} u^{2} \lambda^{2}}{4 \pi c_{s}^{2}}
$$

\n
$$
\times \text{Re} \left[\int dk_{T} \frac{k_{T} e^{ik_{T} \sqrt{\lambda^{2} - ik_{T} \alpha}}{\sqrt{\lambda^{2} - ik_{T} \alpha}} \right]
$$

\n
$$
\times \left(\frac{x}{\rho} i J_{1}(\rho k_{T}), \frac{y}{\rho} i J_{1}(\rho k_{T}), \sqrt{\lambda^{2} - ik_{T} \alpha} J_{0}(\rho k_{T}) \right)
$$

\n
$$
\times \left(G_{0} \left(\frac{m_{D} + k_{T}}{2 \sqrt{E_{p} T}} \right) \left(\frac{u^{2} (\lambda^{2} - ik_{T} \alpha)}{(1 + \lambda^{2} - ik_{T} \alpha)} + c_{s}^{2} \right) \right)
$$

\n
$$
+ \frac{i \pi u k_{T} \sqrt{\lambda^{2} - ik_{T} \alpha}}{4 \gamma \sqrt{k_{T}^{2} + m_{D}^{2}}}
$$

\n
$$
\times \left((u^{2} + c_{s}^{2}) + \frac{u^{2} m_{D} (m_{D} - \sqrt{k_{T}^{2} + m_{D}^{2}})}{k_{T}^{2} (1 + \lambda^{2} - ik_{T} \alpha)} \right) \right)
$$

\n
$$
+ \frac{\alpha_{s} (Q_{p}^{a})^{2} m_{D}^{2} u^{2}}{8 \pi} \int dk_{T} e^{-k_{T} |z - ut|}
$$

\n
$$
\times \left(\frac{x}{\rho} J_{1}(\rho k_{T}), -\frac{y}{\rho} J_{1}(\rho k_{T}), J_{0}(\rho k_{T}) \right)
$$

\n
$$
\times \left(k_{T} G_{0} \left(\frac{m_{D} + k_{T}}{2 \sqrt{E_{T} T}} \right) \right) \quad \text{for} \quad z < ut,
$$

\n
$$
g_{L}(x, t) = -\frac{\alpha_{s} (Q_{p}^{a})^{2} m_{D}^{2} u^{2}}{8 \pi} \int dk_{T} e^{-k_{T} |z - ut|}
$$

\n
$$
\times \left(\frac{x}{\rho} J_{1}(\rho k_{T
$$

which must be done numerically. The analogous expressions resulting from Eq. [\(29\)](#page-3-0) are given by

$$
\mathbf{g}_{LD}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{\alpha_s \left(Q_p^a\right)^2 m_D^2 u^2 \lambda^2}{4\pi c_s^2} \times \text{Re} \left[\int dk_T \frac{k_T e^{ik_T \sqrt{\lambda^2 - ik_T \alpha}(z - ut)}}{\sqrt{\lambda^2 - ik_T \alpha}}
$$

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$$
\times \left(\frac{x}{\rho} i J_1(\rho k_T), \frac{y}{\rho} i J_1(\rho k_T), \sqrt{\lambda^2 - ik_T \alpha} J_0(\rho k_T) \right)
$$

\n
$$
\times \left(G_0 \left(\frac{m_D}{2\sqrt{E_p T}} \right) \left(\frac{u^2(\lambda^2 - ik_T \alpha)}{(1 + \lambda^2 - ik_T \alpha)} + c_s^2 \right)
$$

\n
$$
+ \frac{i \pi u k_T \sqrt{\lambda^2 - ik_T \alpha}}{4 \gamma m_D}
$$

\n
$$
\times \left((u^2 + c_s^2) + \frac{u^2}{2(1 + \lambda^2 - ik_T \alpha)} \right) \right)
$$

\n
$$
+ \frac{\alpha_s (\Omega_p^a)^2 m_D^2 u^2}{8 \pi} \int dk_T e^{-k_T |z - ut|}
$$

\n
$$
\times \left(-\frac{x}{\rho} J_1(\rho k_T), -\frac{y}{\rho} J_1(\rho k_T), J_0(\rho k_T) \right)
$$

\n
$$
\times \left(k_T G_0 \left(\frac{m_D}{2\sqrt{E_p T}} \right) + \frac{\pi k_T^2}{8 \gamma m_D} \right) \text{ for } z < ut,
$$

\n
$$
g_{LD}(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\frac{\alpha_s (\Omega_p^a)^2 m_D^2 u^2}{8 \pi} \int dk_T e^{-k_T |z - ut|}
$$

\n
$$
\times \left(\frac{x}{\rho} J_1(\rho k_T), \frac{y}{\rho} J_1(\rho k_T), J_0(\rho k_T) \right)
$$

\n
$$
\times \left(k_T G_0 \left(\frac{m_D}{2\sqrt{E_p T}} \right) - \frac{\pi k_T^2}{8 \gamma m_D} \right) \text{ for } z > ut.
$$

\n(35)

Combining Eq. (14) with Eq. (11) and following the same approach just used allows for the determination of $\mathbf{g}_T(\mathbf{x}, t)$. The denominator of Eq. (11) has a simpler structure than in Eqs. (8) and (10) , which allows the contour integration to be performed exactly. Defining $\Omega = 4u/3\Gamma_s$ I find that

$$
\mathbf{g}_{T}(\mathbf{x},t) = \frac{\alpha_{s} \left(Q_{p}^{a}\right)^{2} m_{D}^{2}}{4\pi} \int dk_{T} \frac{k_{T}^{2} e^{\pm \Delta^{\pm} |z - ut|}}{(k_{T}^{2} - (\Delta^{\pm})^{2}) \sqrt{1 + \frac{4k_{T}^{2}}{\Omega^{2}}}}
$$
\n
$$
\times \left(G_{0} \left(\frac{m_{D} + k_{T}}{2\sqrt{E_{p}T}}\right) - \frac{\pi m_{D} \Delta^{\pm}}{4\gamma} \left(\frac{\sqrt{k_{T}^{2} + m_{D}^{2}} - m_{D}}{k_{T}^{2} \sqrt{k_{T}^{2} + m_{D}^{2}}}\right)\right)
$$
\n
$$
\times \left(J_{1}(\rho k_{T}) \frac{x}{\rho} \Delta^{\mp}, J_{1}(\rho k_{T}) \frac{y}{\rho} \Delta^{\mp}, J_{0}(\rho k_{T}) k_{T}\right)
$$
\n
$$
\pm \frac{\alpha_{s} \left(Q_{p}^{a}\right)^{2} m_{D}^{2}}{16u\pi} \int dk_{T} e^{-k_{T} |z - ut|}
$$
\n
$$
\times \left(\pm J_{1}(\rho k_{T}) \frac{x}{\rho} k_{T}, \pm J_{1}(\rho k_{T}) \frac{y}{\rho} k_{T}, -J_{0}(\rho k_{T}) k_{T}\right)
$$

$$
\times \left(G_0 \left(\frac{m_D + k_T}{2\sqrt{E_p T}} \right) \right)
$$

$$
\mp \frac{\pi m_D k_T}{4\gamma} \left(\frac{\sqrt{k_T^2 + m_D^2} - m_D}{k_T^2 \sqrt{k_T^2 + m_D^2}} \right) \right),
$$
(36)

where \mp refers to the sign of $(z - ut)$ and

$$
\Delta^{\mp} \equiv \frac{\Omega}{2} \left(1 \mp \sqrt{1 + \frac{4k_T^2}{\Omega^2}} \right). \tag{37}
$$

The analogous result from Eq. (29) is given by

$$
\mathbf{g}_{TD}(\mathbf{x},t) = \frac{\alpha_s \left(Q_p^a\right)^2 m_D^2}{4\pi} \int dk_T \frac{k_T^2 e^{\pm \Delta^{\mp} |z - ut|}}{(k_T^2 - (\Delta^{\mp})^2) \sqrt{1 + \frac{4k_T^2}{\Omega^2}}}
$$

$$
\times \left(G_0 \left(\frac{m_D}{2\sqrt{E_p T}}\right) - \frac{\pi \Delta^{\mp}}{8\gamma m_D}\right)
$$

$$
\times \left(J_1(\rho k_T) \frac{x}{\rho} \Delta^{\mp}, J_1(\rho k_T) \frac{y}{\rho} \Delta^{\mp}, J_0(\rho k_T) k_T\right)
$$

$$
\pm \frac{\alpha_s \left(Q_p^a\right)^2 m_D^2}{16u\pi} \int dk_T e^{-k_T |z - ut|}
$$

$$
\times \left(\pm J_1(\rho k_T) \frac{x}{\rho} k_T, \pm J_1(\rho k_T) \frac{y}{\rho} k_T, -J_0(\rho k_T) k_T\right)
$$

$$
\times \left(G_0 \left(\frac{m_D}{2\sqrt{E_p T}}\right) \mp \frac{\pi k_T}{8\gamma m_D}\right). \tag{38}
$$

V. NUMERICAL RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Having obtained expressions for the hydrodynamic quantities $\delta \epsilon(\mathbf{x}, t)$, $\mathbf{g}_L(\mathbf{x}, t)$, and $\mathbf{g}_T(\mathbf{x}, t)$ I now consider the results of numerical integration. All calculations are performed for a gluon moving along the positive *z* axis at position *ut* and speed $u = 0.99955c$ ($\gamma \approx 33$). The strong coupling constant, α_s , is chosen to be $1/\pi$, the temperature is taken to be $T = 350$ MeV, and $E_p = 16$ GeV. As mentioned in Sec. [I,](#page-0-0) I will compare the solutions resulting from the full source term and the *δ* function expanded source term, given by Eqs. (28) and (29) , respectively. I will also make a comparison of the results for a range of values of the shear viscosity to entropy density ratio, *η/s*, and speed of sound, *cs*.

The solutions resulting from the the full source term and the δ function source are shown in Figs. [2](#page-6-0) and [3.](#page-6-0) In both figures the results are plotted for $\eta/s = 1/4\pi$ and $c_s = c/\sqrt{3}$. Figure $2(a)$ shows a contour plot of $\delta \epsilon(\mathbf{x}, t)$ for each source. In both cases a well-defined Mach cone is visible in the trailing medium. Figure $2(b)$ shows the result for the magnitude of the momentum density, $|\mathbf{g}| = |\mathbf{g}_L(\mathbf{x}, t) + \mathbf{g}_T(\mathbf{x}, t)|$. One now sees both a sound contribution from $\mathbf{g}_L(\mathbf{x}, t)$, which excites a Mach cone, and a diffusive contribution from $\mathbf{g}_T(\mathbf{x}, t)$, which is excited in the region directly behind the source gluon. The diffusive momentum density produces flow almost exclusively in the direction of the source parton's velocity, whereas the

FIG. 2. (Color online) Plots of (a) the perturbed energy density and (b) the perturbed momentum density for both the full source term and the δ function expanded source term. Here, $\eta/s = 1/4\pi$ and $c_s = 0.57$. The direction of the momentum density is indicated by the arrows.

Mach cone generates flow outward and perpendicular to its boundary, as indicated by the arrows. One can see from Fig. 2 that the full source term and the *δ* function expanded source term provide qualitatively similar results, particularly in the region far from the source parton. In the region near $z = 0$, the full source solution has a noticeably larger transverse extent than the corresponding δ source result. A more quantitative comparison can be made by examining Fig. 3, where $\delta \epsilon(\mathbf{x}, t)$ is plotted as a function of *z*[−] for fixed *ρ*. Here one sees that the two results converge at a distance of about 5–6 fm behind the source parton for the chosen ρ values.

Results are next presented for three different values of the shear viscosity to entropy density ratio, *η/s*. The first value chosen for η/s is $1/4\pi \approx 0.08$, which has been proposed [\[29\]](#page-11-0) as a universal lower bound for all relativistic quantum field

theories and is calculated in the strongly coupled limit. The other two values for η/s are multiples of the previous value, $3/4\pi$ and $6/4\pi$, and are more consistent with the application of perturbation theory, which is the method used to calculate the source used in this paper. For example, Arnold *et al.* [\[30\]](#page-11-0) found for the leading order result $\eta/s = 0.48$ for a gluonic plasma with $\alpha_s = 0.3$. More recently, Xu and Greiner found $\eta/s = 0.13$ for a gluonic plasma with the same value of α_s by going beyond leading order in the diluteness of the medium [\[31\]](#page-11-0). A small value of the shear viscosity, which is required by the RHIC data [\[32\]](#page-11-0), is not necessarily incompatible with perturbation theory, especially if the viscosity is lowered by anomalous contributions [\[33\]](#page-11-0).

The results for $\delta \epsilon(\mathbf{x}, t)$ and $|\mathbf{g}| = |\mathbf{g}_L(\mathbf{x}, t) + \mathbf{g}_T(\mathbf{x}, t)|$ for all three viscosities are shown in Figs. [4](#page-7-0) and [5,](#page-7-0) where $c_s = c/\sqrt{3}$.

FIG. 3. (Color online) A comparison of the perturbed energy density generated by the full source term and the *δ* function expanded source term for two different values of *ρ*. The two results converge at a distance of about 5–6 fm behind the source parton for the chosen values of *ρ*.

FIG. 4. (Color online) Plots of (a) the perturbed energy density and (b) the perturbed momentum density for different values of the shear viscosity to entropy density ratio, *η/s*. The black lines in (a) are drawn where one would expect to find the boundary of a Mach cone in the absence of dissipative effects. Plots scaled by the radius *ρ*, which factor in the conical broadening of the cone, are shown in Fig. 5.

FIG. 5. (Color online) Plots of (a) the total perturbed energy density and (b) the total perturbed momentum density, contained at a given radius in the *ρ*-*z*[−] plane for different values of *η/s*. As one can see in (b) the total perturbed momentum density carried by the sonic Mach cone exceeds that contained in the diffusive wake.

FIG. 6. (Color online) Plots of (a) the perturbed energy density and (b) the perturbed momentum density for different values of the speed of sound, *cs*. Plots scaled by the radius *ρ*, which factor in the conical broadening of the cone, are shown in Fig. [7.](#page-9-0)

The black lines in the contour plots of Fig. $4(a)$ are drawn along the slope $x = \pm \lambda (z - ut)$, which is where one would expect to find the boundary of a Mach cone in the absence of dissipative effects. Figure [5](#page-7-0) shows the total energy density (a) and magnitude of momentum density (b), contained at a given radius. It is clear from the plots that the Mach cone broadens and weakens as the viscosity is increased.

Finally, results are shown for three different values of the speed of sound, c_s . The first value is $c_s = 0.57$, which is the the limiting value for a conformal ideal relativistic gas; the other two values are $c_s = 0.45$ and 0.3. It is likely that the QGP produced at RHIC experiences a speed of sound close to all three of these values during its evolution [\[34\]](#page-11-0). The results are shown in Figs. 6 and [7,](#page-9-0) where I have chosen $\eta/s = 1/4\pi$. One should note that the diffusive contribution, $\mathbf{g}_T(\mathbf{x}, t)$, is independent of the speed of sound.

It is interesting to consider how the results presented here compare to experimental data. In the dihadron correlation functions measured at RHIC there is a double-peak structure in the back-jet (source parton) distribution, which has been interpreted by some as the result of Mach-cone-generated flow. In the spectrum presented here one indeed finds Machcone-generated flow but also finds a substantial diffusive flow, which seems to be missing from the RHIC data. To make a comparison, however, one must consider that the matter created in heavy-ion collisions at RHIC rapidly expands, in contrast to the static background assumed here. The diffusive momentum is deposited locally and is thus probably difficult to observe in an expanding medium. However, the Mach cone propagates at the speed of sound, which is of the same order of magnitude as the expansion velocities in the matter produced at RHIC and is likely more readily observed experimentally.

Care should be taken when examining the azimuthal particle spectrum generated by a fast parton using an isochronous Cooper-Frye freeze-out from a static medium, such as in the work done by Betz *et al.* [\[35\]](#page-11-0). In their paper, the authors compared the perturbative-QCD-based source term studied here with one derived in the strongly coupled Ads/CFT correspondence [\[16\]](#page-10-0). Their conclusion was that the anomalous azimuthal hadron correlations observed at RHIC are likely the result of flow generated by the nonequilibrium neck zone in the Ads/CFT case, a contribution that does not obey Mach's law [\[36\]](#page-11-0). In the isochronous Cooper-Frye freeze-out scenario the entire volume of matter is assumed to hadronize at the same time, independent of physical processes. This is in contrast to the freeze-out in a heavy-ion collision, which occurs as the result of an expanding and cooling medium. The effect of an isochronous freeze-out scenario is that any cylindrically symmetric, or conical, contributions tend to be washed out (see the discussion in Ref. [\[37\]](#page-11-0)). Any rigorous comparison to experimental results will require incorporating a realistic source term in an expanding medium.

In summary, I have here presented in detail a method of solution for the linearized hydrodynamical equations of a QGP coupled to the source term generated by a fast parton. The solution has been examined for different values of the shear viscosity to entropy density ratio and speed of sound. Additionally, the relevance of finite source structure has been investigated by performing an expansion in gradients of a *δ* function centered at the location of the source parton. Comparison of the medium response generated by the full source with that generated by the *δ* expanded one shows that the result is sensitive to the finite structure up to distances of several femptometer from the fast parton for the source examined here.

FIG. 7. (Color online) Plots of (a) the total perturbed energy density and (b) the total perturbed momentum density, contained at a given radius in the *ρ*-*z*[−] plane for different values of *cs*. The magnitude of the Mach cone, when integrated, is similar for the different plots.

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APPENDIX: OBTAINING THE FOURIER REPRESENTATION OF EQS. [\(16\)](#page-2-0) AND [\(20\)](#page-2-0)

In Sec. [III](#page-2-0) the explicit determination of the Fourier transform of the full source was put off to this Appendix. Including the damping factor, *e*−*^ρ*m, one has for the inverse Fourier transforms of Eqs. [\(16\)](#page-2-0) and [\(20\)](#page-2-0),

$$
\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \frac{\alpha_s \left(Q_p^a\right)^2 m_D^2 u^2}{8\pi} \int d^4 x e^{ik \cdot x - \rho m} \times \left(\frac{\gamma \mathbf{u}}{(z_-^2 \gamma^2 + \rho^2)^{3/2}} + \nabla \frac{u^2}{2(z_-^2 \gamma^2 + \rho^2)}\right) \quad (A1)
$$

and

$$
J^{0}(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \frac{\alpha_{s} (Q_{p}^{a})^{2} m_{D}^{2} \gamma u^{2}}{8\pi} \int d^{4}x e^{ik \cdot x - \rho m} \times \left(\frac{1}{(z_{-}^{2} \gamma^{2} + \rho^{2})^{3/2}} - \frac{\gamma u z_{-}}{(z_{-}^{2} \gamma^{2} + \rho^{2})^{2}} \right). \quad (A2)
$$

After an integration by parts, the second term in Eq. (A1) takes the form

$$
\int d^4x \frac{u^2 e^{ik \cdot x - \rho \mathfrak{m}}}{2(z_{-}^2 \gamma^2 + \rho^2)} [i\mathbf{k} + \mathfrak{m}(\cos \phi, \sin \phi, 0)], \quad \text{(A3)}
$$

where I am working in plane polar coordinates, *ρ* and *φ*, such that $x = \rho \cos \phi$ and $y = \rho \sin \phi$.

It is clear that there are three distinct integral forms that need to be evaluated. After (trivially) integrating out the *t* dependence to bring down a factor of $2\pi \delta(\omega - uk_z)$, the three distinct integral forms are

$$
\int \frac{d\mathbf{x} e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}-\rho\mathbf{m}}}{(z^2\gamma^2+\rho^2)} \begin{bmatrix} (1,\cos\phi,\sin\phi) \\ \frac{z}{(z^2\gamma^2+\rho^2)} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{z^2\gamma^2+\rho^2}} \end{bmatrix} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_1 \\ \Lambda_2 \\ \Lambda_3 \end{bmatrix} . \quad (A4)
$$

The exponential dependence upon the variable ϕ is in the term $-i\rho(k_x \cos \phi + k_y \sin \phi)$. By rewriting this term as $-i\rho k_T \cos [\phi - \alpha]$, where $k_x = k_T \cos \alpha$ and $k_y = k_T \sin \alpha$, the ϕ integration can be done using the relations

$$
\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \cos\phi \\ \sin\phi \end{bmatrix} \exp\left[\pm ik_T \rho(\cos\left[\phi - \alpha\right]\right)]
$$
\n
$$
= \begin{bmatrix} J_0(\rho k_T) \\ \pm i J_1(\rho k_T) \cos\alpha \\ \pm i J_1(\rho k_T) \sin\alpha \end{bmatrix},
$$
\n(A5)

where $J_i(x)$ is the Bessel function of the first kind of order *i*. The final result for Λ_2 is obtained by using the relation

$$
\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz \int_{0}^{\infty} d\rho \frac{e^{-izk_{z} - \rho m} J_{0}(\rho k_{T}) z \rho}{(\rho^{2} + \gamma^{2} z^{2})^{2}} \n= -\frac{ik_{z} \pi}{2\gamma^{2} \sqrt{k_{z}^{2} + (k_{T}^{2} + m^{2})\gamma^{2} + 2m\gamma |k_{z}|}}, \quad (A6)
$$

which gives, in the large-*γ* limit,

$$
\Lambda_2 = -\frac{(2\pi)i k_z \pi}{2\gamma^3 \sqrt{k_T^2 + m^2}}.
$$
\n(A7)

The first component of Λ_1 , denoted by Λ_{1a} , requires evaluating

$$
\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz \int_{0}^{\infty} d\rho \frac{e^{-izk_z - \rho \mathfrak{m}} J_0(\rho k_T) \rho}{(\rho^2 + \gamma^2 z^2)}
$$

=
$$
\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{k_z^2 + (k_T^2 + \mathfrak{m}^2)\gamma^2 + 2\mathfrak{m}\gamma |k_z|}}.
$$
 (A8)

The second two components of Λ_1 , denoted by Λ_{1b} , can be determined after evaluating

$$
\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz \int_{0}^{\infty} d\rho \frac{e^{-izk_{z}-\rho \mathbf{m}} J_{1}(\rho k_{T}) \rho}{(\rho^{2}+\gamma^{2} z^{2})}
$$

$$
= \frac{\pi}{k_{T} \gamma} \left(1 - \frac{\mathbf{m} \gamma + |k_{z}|}{\sqrt{k_{z}^{2}+(k_{T}^{2}+\mathbf{m}^{2}) \gamma^{2}+2\mathbf{m}\gamma |k_{z}|}}\right). (A9)
$$

Again, working in the large- γ limit, this gives for Λ_1

$$
\Lambda_{1a} = \frac{2\pi^2}{\gamma \sqrt{k_T^2 + m^2}},
$$
\n
$$
\Lambda_{1b} = -\frac{2\pi^2 i}{\gamma k_T} \left(1 - \frac{m}{\sqrt{k_T^2 + m^2}}\right) (\cos \alpha, \sin \alpha).
$$
\n(A10)

To determine Λ_3 it is necessary to evaluate

$$
\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz \int_0^{\infty} d\rho \frac{e^{-izk_z - \rho m} J_0(\rho k_T) \rho}{(z^2 \gamma^2 + \rho^2)^{3/2}}.
$$
 (A11)

This form of (A11) is difficult to evaluate analytically. However, it can be made more manageable by including the screening factor in the *z*, rather than ρ , integration. In this case, one has in the large-*γ* limit

$$
\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz \int_0^{\infty} d\rho \frac{e^{-izk_z - \gamma|z| \mathfrak{m}} J_0(\rho k_T) \rho}{(z^2 \gamma^2 + \rho^2)^{3/2}}
$$

= $\frac{2}{\gamma} G_0 \left(\frac{\mathfrak{m} + k_T}{2\sqrt{E_p T}} \right),$ (A12)

where $z_{\text{min}} = (2\gamma \sqrt{E_p T})^{-1}$ has been used as a short distance cutoff in the *z* integration. This gives for Λ_3

$$
\Lambda_3 = \frac{4\pi}{\gamma} G_0 \left(\frac{m + k_T}{2\sqrt{E_p T}} \right). \tag{A13}
$$

It is now possible to write down the final result for Eqs. $(A2)$ and [\(A1\)](#page-9-0). Remembering to include the factor of $2\pi \delta(\omega - u k_z)$ from the *t* integration, one has

$$
J^{0}(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \frac{\alpha_{s} (Q_{p}^{a})^{2} m_{D}^{2} u^{2}}{2} (2\pi) \delta(\omega - uk_{z})
$$

\n
$$
\times \left(G_{0} \left(\frac{\mathbf{m} + k_{T}}{2\sqrt{E_{p}T}} \right) + \frac{i\pi (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{k})}{4\gamma \sqrt{k_{T}^{2} + \mathbf{m}^{2}}} \right),
$$

\n
$$
\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \frac{\alpha_{s} (Q_{p}^{a})^{2} m_{D}^{2} u^{2}}{2} (2\pi) \delta(\omega - uk_{z}) \left(\mathbf{u} G_{0} \left(\frac{\mathbf{m} + k_{T}}{2\sqrt{E_{p}T}} \right) + \frac{i\pi}{4\gamma} \left(\frac{\sqrt{k_{T}^{2} + \mathbf{m}^{2}} - \mathbf{m}}{k_{T}^{2}} \right) \left(u^{2} \mathbf{k} + \frac{\mathbf{u} (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{k}) \mathbf{m}}{\sqrt{k_{T}^{2} + \mathbf{m}^{2}}} \right) \right),
$$
\n(A14)

which is the result quoted in Eq. (28) .

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