

# Stochastic regularity of general quadratic observables of high frequency waves

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**Abstract.** We consider the wave equation with uncertain initial data and medium, when the wavelength  $\varepsilon$  of the solution is short compared to the distance traveled by the wave. We are interested in the statistics for quantities of interest (QoI), defined as functionals of the wave solution, given the probability distributions of the uncertain parameters in the wave equation. Fast methods to compute this statistics require considerable smoothness in the mapping from parameters to the QoI, which is typically not present in the high frequency case, as the oscillations on the  $\varepsilon$  scale in the wave field is inherited by the QoIs. The main contribution of this work is to identify certain non-oscillatory quadratic QoIs and show  $\varepsilon$ -independent estimates for the derivatives of the QoI with respect to the parameters, when the wave solution is replaced by a Gaussian beam approximation.

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**1. Introduction.** Many physical phenomena can be described by propagation of high-frequency waves with stochastic parameters. For instance, an earthquake where seismic waves with uncertain epicenter travel through the layers of the Earth with uncertain soil characteristics represents one such problem stemming from geophysics. Similar problems arise e.g. in optics, acoustics or oceanography. By high frequency we understand that the wavelength is very short compared to the distance traveled by the wave.

As a simplified model of the wave propagation, we use the scalar wave equation

$$(1.1a) \quad u_{tt}^\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = c(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})^2 \Delta u^\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}), \quad \text{in } [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \Gamma,$$

$$(1.1b) \quad u^\varepsilon(0, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = B_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) e^{i\varphi_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})/\varepsilon}, \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n \times \Gamma,$$

$$(1.1c) \quad u_t^\varepsilon(0, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \varepsilon^{-1} B_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) e^{i\varphi_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})/\varepsilon}, \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n \times \Gamma,$$

with highly oscillatory initial data, represented by the small wavelength  $\varepsilon \ll 1$ , and a stochastic parameter  $\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  which models the uncertainty. For realistic problems, the dimension  $N$  of the stochastic space can be fairly large. Two sources of uncertainty are considered: the local speed,  $c = c(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ , and the initial data,  $B_0 = B_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ ,  $B_1 = B_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ ,  $\varphi_0 = \varphi_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ . The solution is therefore also a function of the random parameter,  $u^\varepsilon = u^\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ .

The focus of this work is on the regularity of certain nonlinear functionals of the solution  $u^\varepsilon$  with respect to the random parameters  $\mathbf{y}$ . Our motivation for the study comes from the field of uncertainty quantification (UQ), where the functionals represent *quantities of interest* (QoI). We will denote them generically by  $\mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{y})$ . The aim in (forward) UQ is to compute the statistics of  $\mathcal{Q}$ , typically the mean and the variance, given the probability distribution of  $\mathbf{y}$ . This is often done by random sample based methods like Monte–Carlo [9], which, however,

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38 has a rather slow convergence rate; the error decays as  $O(N^{-1/2})$  for  $N$  samples. Grid based  
 39 methods like Stochastic Galerkin (SG) [10, 34, 2, 32] and Stochastic Collocation (SC) [33, 3, 27]  
 40 can achieve much faster convergence rates, even spectral rates where the error decays faster  
 41 than  $N^{-p}$  for all  $p > 0$ . They rely on smoothness of  $\mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{y})$  with respect to  $\mathbf{y}$ . This smoothness  
 42 is referred to as the *stochastic regularity* of the problem. When  $\mathbf{y}$  is a high-dimensional vector,  
 43 SG and SC must be performed on sparse grids [5, 11] to break the curse of dimension. This  
 44 typically requires even stronger stochastic regularity.

45 To show the fast convergence of SG and SC, analysis of the stochastic regularity has been  
 46 carried out for many different PDE problems. Examples include elliptic problems [1, 7, 26], the  
 47 wave equation [25], Maxwell equations [17] and various kinetic equations [14, 18, 21, 16, 30].

48 In the high frequency case, which is the subject of this article, the main question is how  
 49 the  $\mathbf{y}$ -derivatives of  $\mathcal{Q}$  depend on the wave length  $\varepsilon$ . The solution  $u^\varepsilon$  oscillates with period  $\varepsilon$   
 50 and these oscillations are often inherited by  $\mathcal{Q}$ . If this is the case, SG and SC will not work  
 51 well, as the derivatives of  $\mathcal{Q}$  grow rapidly with  $\varepsilon$ . Special choices of  $\mathcal{Q}$  can, however, have  
 52 better properties, as we discuss below. A further complication is that the direct numerical  
 53 solution of (1.1) becomes infeasible as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ , as the computational cost to approximate  $u^\varepsilon$  is  
 54 of order  $O(\varepsilon^{-n-1})$ . Asymptotic methods based on e.g. *geometrical optics* [8, 29] or *Gaussian*  
 55 *beams* (GB) [6, 28] must therefore be used.

56 In [24] we identified a non-oscillatory quadratic QoI,

$$57 \quad (1.2) \quad \tilde{\mathcal{Q}}(t, \mathbf{y}) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |u^\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|^2 \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x}, \quad \psi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n),$$

58 and introduced a GB solver for  $u^\varepsilon$  coupled with SC on sparse grids to approximate it. A  
 59 big advantage of the GB method is that it approximates the solution to the PDE (1.1) via  
 60 solutions to a set of  $\varepsilon$ -independent ODEs instead. In [23] we also showed rigorously that all  
 61 derivatives of  $\tilde{\mathcal{Q}}$  are bounded independently of  $\varepsilon$  when the wave solution  $u^\varepsilon$  is approximated  
 62 by Gaussian beams,

$$63 \quad \sup_{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma} \left| \frac{\tilde{\mathcal{Q}}(t, \mathbf{y})}{\partial \mathbf{y}^\sigma} \right| \leq C_\sigma, \quad \forall \sigma \in \mathbb{N}_0^N,$$

64 where  $C_\sigma$  are independent of  $\varepsilon$ . A related study is found in [15].

65 In this article we generalize the result in [23] and consider QoIs which include higher order  
 66 derivatives of the solution and also averaging in time. More precisely, we study

$$67 \quad (1.3) \quad \mathcal{Q}^{p, \alpha}(\mathbf{y}) = \varepsilon^{2(p+|\alpha|)} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) |\partial_t^p \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^\alpha u^\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|^2 \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} \, dt,$$

68 with  $g \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \Gamma)$ ,  $p$  a non-negative integer and  $\alpha$  a multi-index. Many physically  
 69 relevant QoIs can be written on this form. The simplest case in (1.3),

$$70 \quad (1.4) \quad \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{y}) := \mathcal{Q}^{0, \mathbf{0}}(\mathbf{y}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |u^\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|^2 \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} \, dt,$$

71 represents the weighted average intensity of the wave. If the solution  $u^\varepsilon$  to (1.1) describes the  
 72 pressure, then  $\mathcal{Q}$  represents the acoustic potential energy. Another significant example is the

73 weighted total energy of the wave,

$$74 \quad E(\mathbf{y}) = \varepsilon^2 \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (|u_t^\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|^2 + c^2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) |\nabla u^\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|^2) \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} \, dt,$$

75 which can be decomposed into terms of type (1.3). An additional example is the weighted  
76 and averaged version of the Arias intensity,

$$77 \quad I(\mathbf{y}) = \varepsilon^4 \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |u_{tt}^\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|^2 \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} \, dt,$$

78 which represents the total energy per unit mass and is used to measure the strength of ground  
79 motion during an earthquake, see [12].

80 In this work we show that also the QoI (1.3) is non-oscillatory when  $u^\varepsilon$  is replaced by the  
81 GB approximation  $\tilde{u}$ . Indeed, under the assumptions given in Section 2 we then prove that  
82 for all compact  $\Gamma_c \subset \Gamma$  and all  $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \mathbb{N}_0^N$ ,

$$83 \quad (1.5) \quad \sup_{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c} \left| \frac{\partial^\sigma Q^{p, \alpha}(\mathbf{y})}{\partial \mathbf{y}^\sigma} \right| \leq C_\sigma,$$

84 for some constants  $C_\sigma$ , uniformly in  $\varepsilon$ .

85 The full GB approximation  $\tilde{u}$  features two modes,  $\tilde{u} = \tilde{u}^+ + \tilde{u}^-$ , satisfying two different  
86 sets of ODEs. In certain cases, it is possible to approximate  $u^\varepsilon$  by one of the modes only,  
87 i.e. either  $\tilde{u} = \tilde{u}^+$  or  $\tilde{u} = \tilde{u}^-$ . We can then examine a QoI that, in contrast to (1.3), is only  
88 integrated in space,

$$89 \quad (1.6) \quad \tilde{Q}^{p, \alpha}(t, \mathbf{y}) = \varepsilon^{2(p+|\alpha|)} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) |\partial_t^p \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^\alpha u^\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|^2 \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x},$$

90 and show a stronger regularity result,

$$91 \quad (1.7) \quad \sup_{\substack{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c \\ t \in [0, T]}} \left| \frac{\partial^\sigma \tilde{Q}^{p, \alpha}(t, \mathbf{y})}{\partial \mathbf{y}^\sigma} \right| \leq C_\sigma, \quad \forall \boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \mathbb{N}_0^N,$$

92 uniformly in  $\varepsilon$ , when  $u^\varepsilon$  is replaced by  $\tilde{u}^\pm$ . In fact, this one-mode case, with  $p = \alpha = 0$ , was  
93 the one considered in [23].

94 The layout of this article is as follows: we briefly introduce our assumptions in Section 2  
95 and then present the Gaussian beam method in Section 3. The one-mode QoI (1.6) with  $u^\varepsilon$   
96 approximated by  $\tilde{u} = \tilde{u}^\pm$  is regarded in Section 4. The stochastic regularity (1.7) is shown  
97 in Theorem 4.3. This serves as a stepping stone for the proof of regularity of the general  
98 two-mode QoI (1.3) with  $u^\varepsilon$  approximated by  $\tilde{u} = \tilde{u}^+ + \tilde{u}^-$ , which is the subject of Section 5  
99 where the final stochastic regularity (1.5) is shown in Theorem 5.5.

100 **2. Assumptions and preliminaries.** Let us consider the Cauchy problem (1.1). By  $t \in$   
101  $[0, T] \subset \mathbb{R}$  we denote the time,  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the spatial variable and the uncertainty  
102 in the model is described by the random variable  $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_N) \in \Gamma$  where  $\Gamma \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  is an  
103 open set. By  $\mathcal{B}_\mu$  we will denote the  $n$ -dimensional closed ball around 0 of radius  $\mu$ , i.e. the  
104 set  $\mathcal{B}_\mu := \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : |\mathbf{x}| \leq \mu\}$ , with the convention that  $\mathcal{B}_\infty = \mathbb{R}^n$ .

105 We make the following precise assumptions.

(A1) Strictly positive, smooth and bounded speed of propagation,

$$c \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n \times \Gamma), \quad 0 < c_{\min} \leq c(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \leq c_{\max} < \infty, \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \forall \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma.$$

106 and for each multi-index pair  $\alpha, \beta$  there is a constant  $C_{\alpha, \beta}$  such that

$$107 \quad \left| \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^\alpha \partial_{\mathbf{y}}^\beta c(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \right| \leq C_{\alpha, \beta}, \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \forall \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma.$$

(A2) Smooth and (uniformly) compactly supported initial amplitudes,

$$B_\ell \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n \times \Gamma), \quad \text{supp } B_\ell(\cdot, \mathbf{y}) \subset K_0, \quad \ell = 0, 1, \quad \forall \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma,$$

108 where  $K_0 \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is a compact set.

(A3) Smooth initial phase with non-zero gradient,

$$\varphi_0 \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n \times \Gamma), \quad |\nabla \varphi_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})| > 0, \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \forall \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma.$$

(A4) High frequency,

$$0 < \varepsilon \leq 1.$$

109 (A5) Smooth and compactly supported QoI test function,

$$110 \quad \psi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n), \quad \text{supp } \psi \subset [0, T] \times K_1,$$

111 where  $K_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is a compact set.

112 Throughout the paper we will frequently use the shorthand  $f \in C^\infty$  with the understanding  
113 that  $f$  is continuously differentiable infinitely many times in each of its variables, over its  
114 entire domain of definition, typically  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \Gamma \times \mathbb{R}^n$  or  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \Gamma \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

115 **3. Gaussian beam approximation.** Solving (1.1) directly requires a substantial number  
116 of numerical operations when the wavelength  $\varepsilon$  is small. In particular, to maintain a given  
117 accuracy for a fixed  $\mathbf{y}$ , we need at least  $O(\varepsilon^{-n})$  discretization points in  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $O(\varepsilon^{-1})$  time  
118 steps resulting into the computational cost  $O(\varepsilon^{-n-1})$ . To avoid the high cost we employ  
119 asymptotic methods arising from geometrical optics. In particular, the Gaussian beam (GB)  
120 method provides a powerful tool, see [6, 19, 28, 29, 31].

121 Individual Gaussian beams are asymptotic solutions to the wave equation (1.1) that con-  
122 centrate around a central ray in space-time. Rays are bicharacteristics of the wave equation  
123 (1.1). They are denoted by  $(\mathbf{q}^\pm, \mathbf{p}^\pm)$  where  $\mathbf{q}^\pm(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$  represents the position and  $\mathbf{p}^\pm(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$   
124 the direction, respectively, and  $\mathbf{z} \in K_0$  is the starting point so that  $\mathbf{q}^\pm(0, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{z}$  for all  
125  $\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma$ . From each  $\mathbf{z}$ , the ray propagates in two opposite directions, here distinguished by the  
126 superscript  $\pm$ . These corresponds to the two modes of the wave equation and leads to two  
127 different GB solutions, one for each mode. We denote the two  $k$ -th order Gaussian beams  
128 starting at  $\mathbf{z} \in K_0$  by  $v_k^\pm(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$  and define it as

$$129 \quad (3.1) \quad v_k^\pm(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = A_k^\pm(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^\pm(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) e^{i\Phi_k^\pm(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^\pm(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})/\varepsilon},$$

130 where

$$131 \quad (3.2) \quad \Phi_k^\pm(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \phi_0^\pm(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) + \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{p}^\pm(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T M^\pm(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \mathbf{x} + \sum_{|\beta|=3}^{k+1} \frac{1}{\beta!} \phi_\beta^\pm(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \mathbf{x}^\beta,$$

132 is the  $k$ -th order phase function and

$$133 \quad (3.3) \quad A_k^\pm(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{j=0}^{\lceil \frac{k}{2} \rceil - 1} \varepsilon^j \sum_{|\beta|=0}^{k-2j-1} \frac{1}{\beta!} a_{j,\beta}^\pm(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \mathbf{x}^\beta,$$

134 is the  $k$ -th order amplitude function. The higher the order  $k$ , the more accurately  $v_k^\pm$  approx-  
135 imates the solution to (1.1) in terms of  $\varepsilon$ . The variables  $\phi_0^\pm, \mathbf{q}^\pm, \mathbf{p}^\pm, M^\pm, \phi_\beta^\pm, a_{j,\beta}^\pm$  are given by  
136 a set of ODEs, the simplest ones being

$$137 \quad (3.4a) \quad \dot{\phi}_0^\pm = 0,$$

$$138 \quad (3.4b) \quad \dot{\mathbf{q}}^\pm = \pm c(\mathbf{q}^\pm) \frac{\mathbf{p}^\pm}{|\mathbf{p}^\pm|},$$

$$139 \quad (3.4c) \quad \dot{\mathbf{p}}^\pm = \mp \nabla c(\mathbf{q}^\pm) |\mathbf{p}^\pm|,$$

$$140 \quad (3.4d) \quad \dot{M}^\pm = \mp (D^\pm + (B^\pm)^T M^\pm + M^\pm B^\pm + M^\pm C^\pm M^\pm),$$

$$141 \quad (3.4e) \quad \dot{a}_{0,0}^\pm = \pm \frac{1}{2|\mathbf{p}^\pm|} \left( -c(\mathbf{q}^\pm) \text{Tr}(M^\pm) + \nabla c(\mathbf{q}^\pm)^T \mathbf{p}^\pm + \frac{c(\mathbf{q}^\pm) (\mathbf{p}^\pm)^T M^\pm \mathbf{p}^\pm}{|\mathbf{p}^\pm|^2} \right) a_{0,0}^\pm,$$

142 where

$$144 \quad B^\pm = \frac{\mathbf{p}^\pm \nabla c(\mathbf{q}^\pm)^T}{|\mathbf{p}^\pm|}, \quad C^\pm = \frac{c(\mathbf{q}^\pm)}{|\mathbf{p}^\pm|} - \frac{c(\mathbf{q}^\pm)}{|\mathbf{p}^\pm|^3} \mathbf{p}^\pm (\mathbf{p}^\pm)^T, \quad D^\pm = |\mathbf{p}^\pm| \nabla^2 c(\mathbf{q}^\pm).$$

145 For the ODEs determining  $\phi_\beta^\pm$  and  $a_{j,\beta}^\pm$  other than the leading term we refer the reader to  
146 [28, 31].

147 As mentioned above, the sign corresponds to GBs moving in opposite directions which  
148 means that they constitute two different modes that are governed by two different sets of  
149 ODEs. Single beams from the same mode with their starting points in  $K_0$  are summed  
150 together to form the  $k$ -th order *one-mode* solution  $u_k^\pm(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ ,

$$151 \quad (3.5) \quad u_k^\pm(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \left( \frac{1}{2\pi\varepsilon} \right)^{n/2} \int_{K_0} v_k^\pm(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \varrho_\eta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^\pm(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})) d\mathbf{z}.$$

152 where the integration in  $\mathbf{z}$  is over the support of the initial data  $K_0 \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , which is indepen-  
153 dent of  $\mathbf{y}$  by (A2). Since the wave equation is linear, the superposition of beams is still an  
154 asymptotic solution. The function  $\varrho_\eta \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is a real-valued *cutoff* function with radius  
155  $0 < \eta \leq \infty$ ,

$$156 \quad (3.6) \quad \varrho_\eta(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } |\mathbf{x}| \leq \eta, & \text{for } 0 < \eta < \infty, \\ 0, & \text{if } |\mathbf{x}| \geq 2\eta, & \text{for } 0 < \eta < \infty, \\ 1, & & \text{for } \eta = \infty. \end{cases}$$

157 For first order GBs,  $k = 1$ , one can choose  $\eta = \infty$ , i.e. no  $\varrho_\eta$ , see below.

158 Each GB  $v_k^\pm$  requires initial values for all its coefficients. An appropriate choice makes  
 159  $u_k^\pm(0, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  converge asymptotically as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  to the initial conditions in (1.1). As shown in  
 160 [19], the initial data are to be chosen as follows:

$$161 \quad (3.7a) \quad \mathbf{q}^\pm(0, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{z},$$

$$162 \quad (3.7b) \quad \mathbf{p}^\pm(0, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \nabla \varphi_0(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}),$$

$$163 \quad (3.7c) \quad \phi_0^\pm(0, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \varphi_0(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}),$$

$$164 \quad (3.7d) \quad M^\pm(0, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \nabla^2 \varphi_0(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}) + i I_{n \times n},$$

$$165 \quad (3.7e) \quad \phi_\beta^\pm(0, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^\beta \varphi_0(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}), \quad |\beta| = 3, \dots, k+1,$$

$$166 \quad (3.7f) \quad a_{0,0}^\pm(0, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \frac{1}{2} \left( B_0(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}) \pm \frac{B_1(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y})}{ic(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y})|\nabla \varphi_0(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y})|} \right),$$

168 where  $I_{n \times n}$  denotes the identity matrix of size  $n$ . The initial data for the higher order ampli-  
 169 tude coefficients are given in [19]. The following proposition shows that all these variables are  
 170 smooth and  $a_{j,\beta}^\pm$  remain supported in  $K_0$  for all times  $t$  and random variables  $\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma$ .

171 **Proposition 3.1.** *Under assumptions (A1)–(A3), the coefficients  $\phi_0^\pm, \mathbf{q}^\pm, \mathbf{p}^\pm, M^\pm, \phi_\beta^\pm, a_{j,\beta}^\pm$*   
 172 *all belong to  $C^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times \Gamma \times \mathbb{R}^n)$  and*

$$173 \quad \text{supp}(a_{j,\beta}^\pm(t, \mathbf{y}, \cdot)) \subset K_0, \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}, \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma.$$

174 *Consequently,  $\Phi_k^\pm \in C^\infty$ .*

175 *Proof.* Existence and regularity of the solutions follow from standard ODE theory and a re-  
 176 sult in [28, Section 2.1] which ensures that the non-linear Riccati equations for  $M^\pm(t, \mathbf{y}; \mathbf{z})$  have  
 177 solutions for all times and parameter values, with the given initial data. That  $\text{supp}(a_{j,\beta}^\pm(t, \mathbf{y}, \cdot))$   
 178 stays in  $K_0$  for all times is a consequence of the form of the ODEs for the amplitude coefficients,  
 179 given in [28]. ■

180 Finally, the  $k$ -th order GB superposition solution is defined as a sum of the two modes in  
 181 (3.5),

$$182 \quad (3.8) \quad u_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = u_k^+(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + u_k^-(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}).$$

183 Approximating  $u^\varepsilon$  with  $u_k$  we can define the GB quantity of interest corresponding to (1.3)  
 184 as

$$185 \quad (3.9) \quad \mathcal{Q}_{\text{GB}}^{p,\alpha}(\mathbf{y}) = \varepsilon^{2(p+|\alpha|)} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) |\partial_t^p \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^\alpha u_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|^2 \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} dt,$$

186 where  $\psi$  is as in (A5) and  $g \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \Gamma)$ .

187 We note that for numerical computations with SG or SC combined with GB it is indeed  
 188 the stochastic regularity of  $\mathcal{Q}_{\text{GB}}^{p,\alpha}$  rather than of the exact  $\mathcal{Q}^{p,\alpha}$  that is relevant. Moreover, since  
 189  $u_k$  approximates the exact solution  $u^\varepsilon$  well,  $\mathcal{Q}_{\text{GB}}^{p,\alpha}$  will also be a good approximation of  $\mathcal{Q}^{p,\alpha}$ .  
 190 For instance, when  $p = 0$  and  $\alpha \neq 0$  one can use the Sobolev estimate  $\|u_k - u^\varepsilon\|_{H^s} \leq C\varepsilon^{k/2-s}$ ,

191 for  $s \geq 1$ , shown in [20], to derive the error bound  $|\mathcal{Q}_{\text{GB}}^{0,\alpha} - \mathcal{Q}^{0,\alpha}| \leq C\varepsilon^{k/2}$  in the same way  
 192 as in [23], where the case  $\alpha = 0$  was discussed. Also, in some cases, like in one dimension  
 193 with constant speed  $c(x, y) = c(y)$ , the GB solution is exact if the initial data is exact. Then  
 194  $\mathcal{Q}_{\text{GB}}^{p,\alpha} = \mathcal{Q}^{p,\alpha}$ .

195 **4. One-mode quantity of interest.** Before considering the QoI (3.9) it is advantageous to  
 196 first focus on its one-mode counterpart with  $u_k$  consisting of either  $u_k = u_k^+$  or  $u_k = u_k^-$  only,  
 197 as given in (1.6). In the present article, this is partly due to the fact that the one-mode QoI  
 198 will be a stepping stone for our analysis of the full two-mode QoI. However, its examination is  
 199 also important in its own right. As the two wave modes propagate in opposite directions they  
 200 separate and parts of the domain will mainly be covered by waves belonging to only one of the  
 201 modes. As a simple example, in one dimension with constant speed, the d'Alembert solution  
 202 to the wave equation is a superposition of a left and a right going wave. In the general  
 203 case, the effect is more pronounced in the high-frequency regime, when the wave length is  
 204 significantly smaller than the curvature of the wave front [8, 29]. Discarding one of the modes  
 205 then amounts to discarding reflected waves and waves that initially propagate away from the  
 206 domain of interest. The solution will nevertheless contain waves going in different directions.  
 207 For example, if  $B_1$  in (1.1) is chosen such that  $u^\varepsilon$  essentially propagates in one direction,  
 208 then merely one mode, either  $u_k^+$  or  $u_k^-$ , is sufficient to approximate  $u^\varepsilon$ . The approximation  
 209 is similar to, but not the same as, using the paraxial wave equation instead of the full wave  
 210 equation, which is a common strategy in areas like seismology, plasma physics, underwater  
 211 acoustics and optics [4].

212 Let us thus define the GB-approximated version of the QoI in (1.6),

$$213 \quad (4.1) \quad \tilde{\mathcal{Q}}_{\text{GB}}^{p,\alpha}(t, \mathbf{y}) = \varepsilon^{2(p+|\alpha|)} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) |\partial_t^p \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^\alpha u_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|^2 \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x},$$

214 with  $\psi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $g \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \Gamma)$ . Here  $u_k = u_k^+$  or  $u_k = u_k^-$  in (3.8). It is not  
 215 important which one we choose and henceforth omit superscripts of all variables.

216 To introduce the terminology used in this section, we will need the following proposition.  
 217

218 **Proposition 4.1.** *Assume (A1)–(A3) hold. Then for all  $T > 0$ , beam order  $k$  and compact*  
 219  *$\Gamma_c \subset \Gamma$ , there is a GB cutoff width  $\eta > 0$  and constant  $\delta > 0$  such that for all  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{B}_{2\eta}$ ,*

$$220 \quad (4.2) \quad \text{Im } \Phi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \geq \delta |\mathbf{x}|^2, \quad \forall t \in [0, T], \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c, \mathbf{z} \in K_0.$$

221 *For the first order GB,  $k = 1$ , we can take  $\eta = \infty$  and (4.2) is valid for all  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .*

222 *Proof.* Property (P4) in Proposition 1 in [23]. The proof is in [22]. ■

223 Note that  $\eta$  is the width of the cutoff function  $\varrho_\eta$  in (3.6) used in the GB superposition (3.5).  
 224

225 **Definition 4.2.** *The cutoff width  $\eta$  used for the GB approximation is called admissible for*  
 226 *a given  $T$ ,  $k$  and  $\Gamma_c$  if it is small enough in the sense of Proposition 4.1.*

227 We will prove the following main theorem.

228 **Theorem 4.3.** Assume (A1)–(A5) hold and consider a one-mode GB solution. Moreover,  
 229 let  $\eta$  be admissible for  $T > 0$ ,  $k$  and a compact  $\Gamma_c \subset \Gamma$ . Then for all  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\alpha} \in \mathbb{N}_0^N$ , there  
 230 exist  $C_\sigma$  such that

$$231 \quad \sup_{\substack{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c \\ t \in [0, T]}} \left| \frac{\partial^\sigma \tilde{\mathcal{Q}}_{GB}^{p, \boldsymbol{\alpha}}(t, \mathbf{y})}{\partial \mathbf{y}^\sigma} \right| \leq C_\sigma, \quad \forall \sigma \in \mathbb{N}_0^N,$$

232 where  $C_\sigma$  is independent of  $\varepsilon$  but depends on  $T, k$  and  $\Gamma_c$ .

233 The proof of Theorem 4.3 is presented in Section 4.2.

234 Let us also recall the known results regarding the simplest version of the QoI (4.1),

$$235 \quad (4.3) \quad \tilde{\mathcal{Q}}_{GB} := \tilde{\mathcal{Q}}_{GB}^{0, \mathbf{0}} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |u_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|^2 \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x},$$

236 which were obtained in [23].

237 **Theorem 4.4** ([23, Theorem 1]). Assume (A1)–(A5) hold and consider a one-mode GB  
 238 solution. Moreover, let  $\eta$  be admissible for  $T > 0$ ,  $k$  and a compact  $\Gamma_c \subset \Gamma$ . Then there exist  
 239  $C_\sigma$  such that

$$240 \quad \sup_{\substack{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c \\ t \in [0, T]}} \left| \frac{\partial^\sigma \tilde{\mathcal{Q}}_{GB}(t, \mathbf{y})}{\partial \mathbf{y}^\sigma} \right| \leq C_\sigma, \quad \forall \sigma \in \mathbb{N}_0^N,$$

241 where  $C_\sigma$  is independent of  $\varepsilon$  but depends on  $T, k$  and  $\Gamma_c$ .

242 **Remark 4.5.** This is a minor generalization of Theorem 1 in [23]. In particular we here  
 243 allow  $\psi$  to also depend on  $t$  and have an estimate that is uniform in  $t$ . Moreover, instead of  
 244 assuming  $\Gamma$  to be the closure of a bounded open set, as in [23], we consider compact subsets  
 245  $\Gamma_c$  of an open set  $\Gamma$ . These modifications do not affect the proof in a significant way.

**Remark 4.6.** One can note that the stochastic regularity in  $\mathbf{y}$  shown in Theorem 4.3 also  
 implies stochastic regularity in  $t$  for the same QoI. Indeed, upon defining

$$v^\varepsilon(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, y_0) := u^\varepsilon(ty_0, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}),$$

246  $v^\varepsilon$  will satisfy the same wave equation as  $u^\varepsilon$ , with  $c(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  replaced by  $y_0 c(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  and  $B_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$   
 247 replaced by  $y_0 B_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ . One can verify that with these alterations, the Gaussian beam approx-  
 248 imations of  $u^\varepsilon$  and  $v^\varepsilon$  also satisfy the same equations. Moreover, for a fixed  $t$ , time derivatives  
 249 of the QoI based on  $u^\varepsilon$  corresponds to partial derivatives in  $y_0$  for the QoI based on  $v^\varepsilon$ , which  
 250 is covered by the theory above. However, making this observation precise, we leave for future  
 251 work.

**4.1. Preliminaries.** In this section we introduce functions spaces and derive some prelim-  
 inary results for the main proof of Theorem 4.3. However, we start with a note on the case  
 $\eta = \infty$ , which is sometimes an admissible cutoff width in the sense of Proposition 4.1. In  
 particular, it is always admissible when  $k = 1$ . It amounts to removing the cutoff functions  
 $\varrho_\eta$  in (3.5) altogether. This is convenient in computations, but there are some technical issues  
 with having  $\eta = \infty$  in the proofs below. We note, however, that, in any finite time interval  
 $[0, T]$  and compact  $\Gamma_c \subset \Gamma$ , the Gaussian beam superposition (3.8) with no cutoff is identical



to the one with a large enough cutoff, because of the compact support of the test function  $\psi(t, \mathbf{x})$ . Indeed, suppose  $\text{supp } \psi(t, \cdot) \subset \mathcal{B}_R$ , for  $t \in [0, T]$ . Then for  $|\mathbf{x}| \leq R$  we have

$$|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})| \leq |\mathbf{x}| + |\mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})| \leq R + |\mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})|, \quad \forall t \in [0, T], \forall \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma, \forall \mathbf{z} \in K_0.$$

Hence, for  $\bar{\eta} = R + \sup_{t \in [0, T], \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c, \mathbf{z} \in K_0} |\mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})|$  we will have

$$\psi(t, \mathbf{x}) = \varrho_{\bar{\eta}}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})) \varrho_{\bar{\eta}}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}')) \psi(t, \mathbf{x}), \quad \forall t \in [0, T], \forall \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c, \forall \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}' \in K_0.$$

252 We can therefore, without loss of generality, assume that  $\eta < \infty$ .

253 Let us now define a shorthand for the following sets:

254  $\bullet \mathcal{P}_\mu := \left\{ p \in C^\infty : p(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{|\alpha|=0}^M a_\alpha(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \mathbf{x}^\alpha, \text{ where } a_\alpha \in C^\infty, \right.$

255  $\left. \text{and } \text{supp } a_\alpha(t, \cdot, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \subset \mathcal{B}_{2\mu}, \forall \alpha, t \in \mathbb{R}, \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma, \mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^n \right\},$

256  $\bullet \mathcal{S}_\mu := \left\{ f \in C^\infty : f(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{j=0}^L \varepsilon^j p_j(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) e^{i\Phi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})/\varepsilon}, \text{ where } p_j \in \mathcal{P}_\mu, \forall j \right\}.$

257 Note that these sets are also defined for  $\mu = \infty$ , in which case there is no restriction on the  
 258 support of the coefficient functions  $a_\alpha$  since  $\mathcal{B}_\infty = \mathbb{R}^n$ . The phase  $\Phi_k$  in the definition of  $\mathcal{S}_\mu$   
 259 is as in (3.2). By Proposition 3.1, it can be written as  $\Phi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{|\alpha|=0}^{k+1} d_\alpha(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \mathbf{x}^\alpha$ ,  
 260 with  $d_\alpha \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times \Gamma \times \mathbb{R}^n)$  and hence  $\Phi_k \in \mathcal{P}_\infty$ . The following properties hold for the sets  
 261 defined above.

262 **Lemma 4.7.** *Let  $r \in \mathcal{P}_\infty$ ,  $p_1, p_2 \in \mathcal{P}_\mu$  and  $w_1, w_2 \in \mathcal{S}_\mu$ . Then, for  $0 < \mu \leq \infty$ ,*

263 1.  $p_1 + p_2 \in \mathcal{P}_\mu$ .

264 2.  $w_1 + w_2 \in \mathcal{S}_\mu$ .

265 3.  $rp_1 \in \mathcal{P}_\mu$ .

266 4.  $rw_1 \in \mathcal{S}_\mu$ .

267 5.  $\partial_s p_1 \in \mathcal{P}_\mu$ , for  $s \in \{t, x_\ell, \ell = 1, \dots, n\}$ .

268 6.  $\varepsilon \partial_s w_1 \in \mathcal{S}_\mu$ , for  $s \in \{t, x_\ell, \ell = 1, \dots, n\}$ .

269 *Proof.* We will denote

270 
$$p_m(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{|\alpha|=0}^{M_m} a_{m,\alpha}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \mathbf{x}^\alpha, \quad w_m(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{j=0}^{L_m} \varepsilon^j q_{m,j}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) e^{i\Phi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})/\varepsilon},$$

271 
$$r(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{|\gamma|=0}^M c_\gamma(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \mathbf{x}^\gamma, \quad m \in \{1, 2\}.$$

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273 Let us assume without loss of generality that  $M_2 \geq M_1$  and  $L_2 \geq L_1$ .

274 1. The sum  $p_1 + p_2$  can be rewritten as  $p_1 + p_2 = \sum_{|\beta|=0}^{M_2} b_\beta(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \mathbf{x}^\beta$ , where  $b_\beta$  is  
 275 such that

276 
$$b_\beta = \begin{cases} a_{1,\beta} + a_{2,\beta}, & \text{for } |\beta| \leq M_1, \\ a_{2,\beta}, & \text{for } M_1 < |\beta| \leq M_2. \end{cases}$$

277 Hence  $b_\beta \in C^\infty$  and  $\text{supp } b_\beta(t, \cdot, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \subset \mathcal{B}_\mu$ , for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}, \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma, \mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Therefore  
 278  $p_1 + p_2 \in \mathcal{P}_\mu$ .

279 2. The sum  $w_1 + w_2$  can be rewritten as  $w_1 + w_2 = \sum_{j=0}^{L_2} \varepsilon^j q_j(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) e^{i\Phi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})/\varepsilon}$ ,  
 280 where  $q_j$  is such that

$$281 \quad q_j = \begin{cases} q_{1,j} + q_{2,j}, & \text{for } j \leq L_1, \\ q_{2,j}, & \text{for } L_1 < j \leq L_2. \end{cases}$$

282 By point 1 we have that  $q_j \in \mathcal{P}_\mu$  for all  $j$  and therefore  $w_1 + w_2 \in \mathcal{S}_\mu$ .

283 3. We have

$$284 \quad r(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) p_1(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{|\gamma|=0}^M c_\gamma(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \mathbf{x}^\gamma \sum_{|\alpha|=0}^{M_1} a_{1,\alpha}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \mathbf{x}^\alpha$$

$$285 \quad = \sum_{|\delta|=0}^{M_1+M} d_\delta(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \mathbf{x}^\delta,$$

287 where  $d_\delta = \sum_{\alpha+\gamma=\delta} a_{1,\alpha} c_\gamma \in C^\infty$ . Since  $\text{supp } a_{1,\alpha}(t, \cdot, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \subset \mathcal{B}_\mu$ , we also have  
 288  $\text{supp } d_\delta(t, \cdot, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \subset \mathcal{B}_\mu$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma$ ,  $\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and therefore  $rp_1 \in \mathcal{P}_\mu$ .

289 4. We have

$$290 \quad r(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) w_1(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{j=0}^{L_1} \varepsilon^j r(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) q_{1,j}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) e^{i\Phi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})/\varepsilon},$$

291 where  $rq_{1,j} \in \mathcal{P}_\mu$  by point 3 for all  $j$ . Therefore  $rw_1 \in \mathcal{S}_\mu$ .

292 5. The time derivative of  $p_1$  reads  $\partial_t p_1(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{|\alpha|=0}^{M_1} \partial_t a_{1,\alpha}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \mathbf{x}^\alpha$ , and since  
 293  $\text{supp } \partial_t a_{1,\alpha}(t, \cdot, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \subset \mathcal{B}_\mu$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma$ ,  $\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , we have  $\partial_t p_1 \in \mathcal{P}_\mu$ . Secondly,  
 294 the derivative of  $p_1$  with respect to  $x_\ell$  reads

$$295 \quad \partial_{x_\ell} p_1(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \underbrace{\sum_{|\alpha|=0}^{M_1} \partial_{x_\ell} a_{1,\alpha}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \mathbf{x}^\alpha}_{\textcircled{1}} + \underbrace{\sum_{|\alpha|=0}^{M_1} a_{1,\alpha}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \alpha_\ell \mathbf{x}^{\alpha - \mathbf{e}_\ell}}_{\textcircled{2}}.$$

296 Since  $\text{supp } \partial_{x_\ell} a_{1,\alpha}(t, \cdot, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \subset \mathcal{B}_\mu$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma$ ,  $\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , we have  $\textcircled{1} \in \mathcal{P}_\mu$ . For  $\textcircled{2}$ ,  
 297 there exist  $c_\gamma \in C^\infty$  such that  $\textcircled{2} = \sum_{|\gamma|=0}^{M_1-1} c_\gamma(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \mathbf{x}^\gamma$  with  $\text{supp } c_\gamma(t, \cdot, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \subset \mathcal{B}_\mu$   
 298 for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma$ ,  $\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and hence  $\textcircled{2} \in \mathcal{P}_\mu$ . By point 1,  $\partial_{x_\ell} p_1 = \textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2} \in \mathcal{P}_\mu$ .

299 6. The derivative  $\partial_s w_1$  with respect to either of  $s \in \{t, x_\ell, \ell = 1, \dots, n\}$  reads

$$300 \quad \partial_s w_1(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$$

$$301 \quad = \underbrace{\sum_{j=0}^{L_1} \varepsilon^j \partial_s q_{1,j}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) e^{i\Phi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})/\varepsilon}}_{\textcircled{1}}$$

$$302 \quad + \underbrace{\sum_{j=0}^{L_1} i \varepsilon^{j-1} \partial_s \Phi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) q_{1,j}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) e^{i\Phi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})/\varepsilon}}_{\textcircled{2}}.$$

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304 We have  $\varepsilon\textcircled{1} = \sum_{j=0}^{L_1+1} \varepsilon^j q_j(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) e^{i\Phi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})/\varepsilon}$ , with

$$305 \quad q_j = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{for } j = 0, \\ \partial_s q_{1, j-1}, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

306 By point 5,  $q_j \in \mathcal{P}_\mu$ , and we therefore obtain  $\varepsilon\textcircled{1} \in \mathcal{S}_\mu$ . Since  $\Phi_k \in \mathcal{P}_\infty$ , we have by  
307 point 5 that  $\partial_s \Phi_k \in \mathcal{P}_\infty$  and therefore  $\varepsilon\textcircled{2} \in \mathcal{S}_\mu$  by point 4. By point 2, we finally  
308 arrive at  $\varepsilon \partial_s w_1 = \varepsilon\textcircled{1} + \varepsilon\textcircled{2} \in \mathcal{S}_\mu$ . ■

309 As a consequence, we obtain the following corollary.

310 **Corollary 4.8.** *If  $w \in \mathcal{S}_\mu$ , all scaled mixed derivatives  $\varepsilon^{p+|\alpha|} \partial_t^p \partial_x^\alpha w \in \mathcal{S}_\mu$ .*

311 *Proof.* Apply point 6 of Lemma 4.7 repeatedly. ■

312 **4.2. Proof of theorem 4.3.** The QoI (4.1) can be written

$$313 \quad \tilde{Q}_{\text{GB}}^{p, \alpha}(t, \mathbf{y}) = \varepsilon^{2(p+|\alpha|)} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \partial_t^p \partial_x^\alpha u_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})^* \partial_t^p \partial_x^\alpha u_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

$$314 \quad (4.4) \quad = \left( \frac{1}{2\pi\varepsilon} \right)^n \int_{K_0 \times K_0} I(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') d\mathbf{z} d\mathbf{z}',$$

$$315$$

316 where

$$317 \quad I(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \varepsilon^{2(p+|\alpha|)} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \partial_t^p \partial_x^\alpha (w_k(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}))^* \partial_t^p \partial_x^\alpha (w_k(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}'), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}'))$$

$$318 \quad (4.5) \quad \times g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x},$$

320 and

$$321 \quad (4.6) \quad w_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = A_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \varrho_\eta(\mathbf{x}) e^{i\Phi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})/\varepsilon}.$$

322 The following lemma allows us to rewrite  $I$  in (4.5) in terms of functions belonging to  $\mathcal{S}_\eta$ .

323 **Lemma 4.9.** *Let  $w_k$  be as in (4.6). Then for each  $k \geq 1$ ,  $p \geq 0$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^N$ , there exists*  
324  *$s_k \in \mathcal{S}_\eta$  such that*

$$325 \quad \varepsilon^{p+|\alpha|} \partial_t^p \partial_x^\alpha (w_k(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})) = s_k(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}).$$

326 *Proof.* We note that from (3.3),

$$327 \quad w_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{j=0}^{\lceil \frac{k}{2} \rceil - 1} \varepsilon^j \sum_{|\beta|=0}^{k-2j-1} \frac{1}{\beta!} a_{j, \beta}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \varrho_\eta(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{x}^\beta e^{i\Phi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})/\varepsilon},$$

and since  $\varrho_\eta$  is supported in  $\mathcal{B}_{2\eta}$  then  $w_k \in \mathcal{S}_\eta$ . We first differentiate

$$\partial_x^\alpha (w_k(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})) = \partial_x^\alpha w_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \Big|_{\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})},$$

328 and note that by Corollary 4.8,  $r_k := \varepsilon^{|\alpha|} \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^{\alpha} w_k \in \mathcal{S}_{\eta}$ . Furthermore, the time derivative of  
 329  $r_k(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$  reads

$$330 \quad \partial_t (r_k(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})) = \partial_t r_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) - \partial_t \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} r_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \Big|_{\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})}.$$

331 From points 2, 4 and 6 in Lemma 4.7 and Proposition 3.1, we have that  $F r_k \in \mathcal{S}_{\eta}$ , where  $F$  is  
 332 the operator  $F = \varepsilon(\partial_t - \partial_t \mathbf{q} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}})$ . Repeated differentiation of  $r_k(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$  subject  
 333 to an appropriate scaling with  $\varepsilon$  thus yields repeated application of the  $F$  operator:

$$334 \quad \varepsilon^p \partial_t^p (r_k(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})) = F^p r_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \Big|_{\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})}.$$

335 Since  $s_k := F^p r_k \in \mathcal{S}_{\eta}$  the proof is complete. ■

336 The function  $s_k \in \mathcal{S}_{\eta}$  can be rewritten recalling the definition of  $\mathcal{S}_{\eta}$  as  $s_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) =$   
 337  $\sum_{j=0}^L \varepsilon^j p_j(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) e^{i\Phi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})/\varepsilon}$ , with  $p_j \in \mathcal{P}_{\eta}$ , for all  $j$ . Then using Lemma 4.9, the quantity  
 338 (4.5) becomes

$$339 \quad I(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} s_k^*(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) s_k(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}'), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}') g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

$$340 \quad = \sum_{j, \ell=0}^L \varepsilon^{j+\ell} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} h_{j\ell}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') e^{i\Theta_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')/\varepsilon} d\mathbf{x},$$

$$341$$

342 where  $\Theta_k$  is the  $k$ -th order GB phase

$$343 \quad (4.7) \quad \Theta_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \Phi_k(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}'), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}') - \Phi_k^*(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}),$$

344 and

$$345 \quad h_{j\ell}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = p_j^*(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) p_{\ell}(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}'), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}') g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \psi(t, \mathbf{x}).$$

346 Let us use the definition of  $\mathcal{P}_{\eta}$  and write  $p_j(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{|\alpha|=0}^M a_{j, \alpha}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \mathbf{x}^{\alpha}$ , with  
 347  $\text{supp } a_{j, \alpha}(t, \cdot, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \subset \mathcal{B}_{2\eta}$  for all  $j, \alpha, t \in \mathbb{R}, \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma, \mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . We get

$$348 \quad h_{j\ell}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \sum_{|\alpha|, |\beta|=0}^M c_{j, \ell, \alpha, \beta}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}))^{\alpha} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}'))^{\beta},$$

where  $c_{j, \ell, \alpha, \beta}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = a_{j, \alpha}^*(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) a_{\ell, \beta}(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}'), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}') g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \psi(t, \mathbf{x})$   
 implying that  $\text{supp } c_{j, \ell, \alpha, \beta}(t, \cdot, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') \subset \Lambda_{\eta}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')$ , given by

$$\Lambda_{\eta}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') := \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})| \leq 2\eta \text{ and } |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}')| \leq 2\eta\}.$$

349 To summarize, the quantity (4.5) can be written as

$$350 \quad I(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \sum_{j, \ell=0}^L \varepsilon^{j+\ell} \sum_{|\alpha|, |\beta|=0}^M I_{j, \ell, \alpha, \beta}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}'),$$

351 with

$$352 \quad I_{j,\ell,\alpha,\beta}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} c_{j,\ell,\alpha,\beta}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}))^\alpha (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}'))^\beta e^{i\Theta_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')/\varepsilon} d\mathbf{x},$$

353 such that  $c_{j,\ell,\alpha,\beta} \in \mathcal{T}_\eta$ , where

$$354 \quad \mathcal{T}_\eta := \left\{ f \in C^\infty : \text{supp } f(t, \cdot, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') \subset \Lambda_\eta(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}'), \forall t \in \mathbb{R}, \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}' \in \mathbb{R}^n \right\}.$$

356 We will now utilize the following theorem.

357 **Theorem 4.10.** *Assume (A1)–(A5) hold. Let  $\eta < \infty$  be admissible for  $T > 0$ ,  $k$  and a*  
 358 *compact  $\Gamma_c \subset \Gamma$ . Define*

$$359 \quad (4.8) \quad I_0(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}))^\alpha (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}'))^\beta e^{i\Theta_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')/\varepsilon} d\mathbf{x},$$

360 where  $\Theta_k$  is as in (4.7) and  $f \in \mathcal{T}_\eta$ . Then there exist  $C_{\sigma,\alpha,\beta}$  such that

$$361 \quad \sup_{\substack{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c \\ t \in [0, T]}} \left( \frac{1}{2\pi\varepsilon} \right)^n \int_{K_0 \times K_0} |\partial_{\mathbf{y}}^\sigma I_0(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')| d\mathbf{z} d\mathbf{z}' \leq C_{\sigma,\alpha,\beta},$$

362 for all  $\sigma \in \mathbb{N}_0^N$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{N}_0^n$ , where  $C_{\sigma,\alpha,\beta}$  is independent of  $\varepsilon$  but depends on  $T$ ,  $k$  and  $\Gamma_c$ .

363 *Proof.* The proof is essentially the same as the proof of Theorem 1 in [23]. We include  
 364 shortened version in the Appendix. ■

365 Since  $I_{j,\ell,\alpha,\beta}$  is of the form (4.8), we can use Theorem 4.10 (replacing the constant  $C_{\sigma,\alpha,\beta}$   
 366 with  $C_{\sigma,j,\ell,\alpha,\beta}$  to illustrate its dependence on  $j$  and  $\ell$  as well). Then recalling (4.4) and (A4)  
 367 we get

$$368 \quad \sup_{\substack{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c \\ t \in [0, T]}} \left| \frac{\partial^\sigma \tilde{Q}_{\text{GB}}^{p,\alpha}(t, \mathbf{y})}{\partial \mathbf{y}^\sigma} \right| \leq \sup_{\substack{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c \\ t \in [0, T]}} \left( \frac{1}{2\pi\varepsilon} \right)^n \int_{K_0 \times K_0} \left| \frac{\partial^\sigma I(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')}{\partial \mathbf{y}^\sigma} \right| d\mathbf{z} d\mathbf{z}'$$

$$369 \quad \leq \sup_{\substack{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c \\ t \in [0, T]}} \left( \frac{1}{2\pi\varepsilon} \right)^n \sum_{j,\ell=0}^L \varepsilon^{j+\ell} \sum_{|\alpha|, |\beta|=0}^M \int_{K_0 \times K_0} \left| \frac{\partial^\sigma I_{j,\ell,\alpha,\beta}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')}{\partial \mathbf{y}^\sigma} \right| d\mathbf{z} d\mathbf{z}'$$

$$370 \quad \leq \tilde{C} \sup_{j,\ell,\alpha,\beta} C_{\sigma,j,\ell,\alpha,\beta} \leq C_\sigma,$$

372 where  $C_\sigma$  depends on  $\eta, T, k, \Gamma_c, L, M$ , but is independent of  $\varepsilon$ , for all  $\sigma \in \mathbb{N}_0^N$ . This concludes  
 373 the proof of Theorem 4.3.

374 **5. Two-mode quantity of interest.** Let us consider a wave composed of both forward  
 375 and backward propagating modes as defined in (3.8). In this case, Theorem 4.3 for the QoI  
 376 (4.1) is no longer necessarily true. In fact,  $\tilde{Q}_{\text{GB}}^{p,\alpha}$  can be highly oscillatory. We will therefore  
 377 have to look at a slightly different QoI where the averaging is also done in time, not just in  
 378 space.

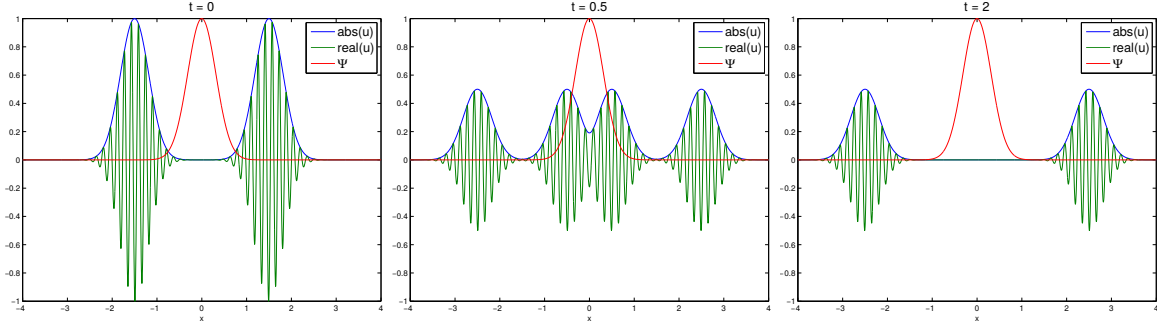


Figure 1.  $d'$ Alembert solution with initial data (5.1) and (5.4).

379 **5.1. What could go wrong?.** Since  $\tilde{Q}_{\text{GB}}$  in (4.1) is a good approximation of  $\tilde{Q}$  in (1.6),  
 380 it is oscillatory if and only if the other one is, and we will first show a simple example where  
 381  $\tilde{Q}$  in (1.2) is oscillatory.

382 Let us consider a 1D case with spatially constant speed  $c(x, y) = c(y)$ . The initial data to  
 383 (1.1),

$$384 \quad (5.1) \quad u^\varepsilon(0, x, y) = B_0(x, y)e^{i\varphi_0(x, y)/\varepsilon}, \quad u_t^\varepsilon(0, x, y) = 0,$$

385 generate the  $d'$ Alembert solution

$$386 \quad (5.2) \quad u^\varepsilon(t, x, y) = u^+(t, x, y) + u^-(t, x, y), \quad u^\pm(t, x, y) = \frac{1}{2}B_0(x \mp c(y)t, y)e^{i\varphi_0(x \mp c(y)t, y)/\varepsilon}.$$

387 The QoI (1.2) therefore reads

$$\begin{aligned} 388 \quad \tilde{Q}(t, y) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} |u^+(t, x, y) + u^-(t, x, y)|^2 \psi(t, x) dx \\ 389 &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} (|u^+(t, x, y)|^2 + |u^-(t, x, y)|^2 + 2 \operatorname{Re}(u^+(t, x, y)^* u^-(t, x, y))) \psi(t, x) dx \\ 390 \quad (5.3) &=: \tilde{Q}_+(t, y) + \tilde{Q}_-(t, y) + \tilde{Q}_0(t, y). \end{aligned}$$

392 The first two terms of  $\tilde{Q}$  yield

$$393 \quad \tilde{Q}_\pm(t, y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |u^\pm(t, x, y)|^2 \psi(t, x) dx = \frac{1}{4} \int_{\mathbb{R}} B_0^2(x \mp c(y)t, y) \psi(t, x) dx,$$

394 where the integrand is smooth, compactly supported and independent of  $\varepsilon$ , including all its  
 395 derivatives in  $y$ . Therefore, the terms  $\tilde{Q}_\pm$  satisfy Theorem 4.3. The last term  $\tilde{Q}_0$  reads

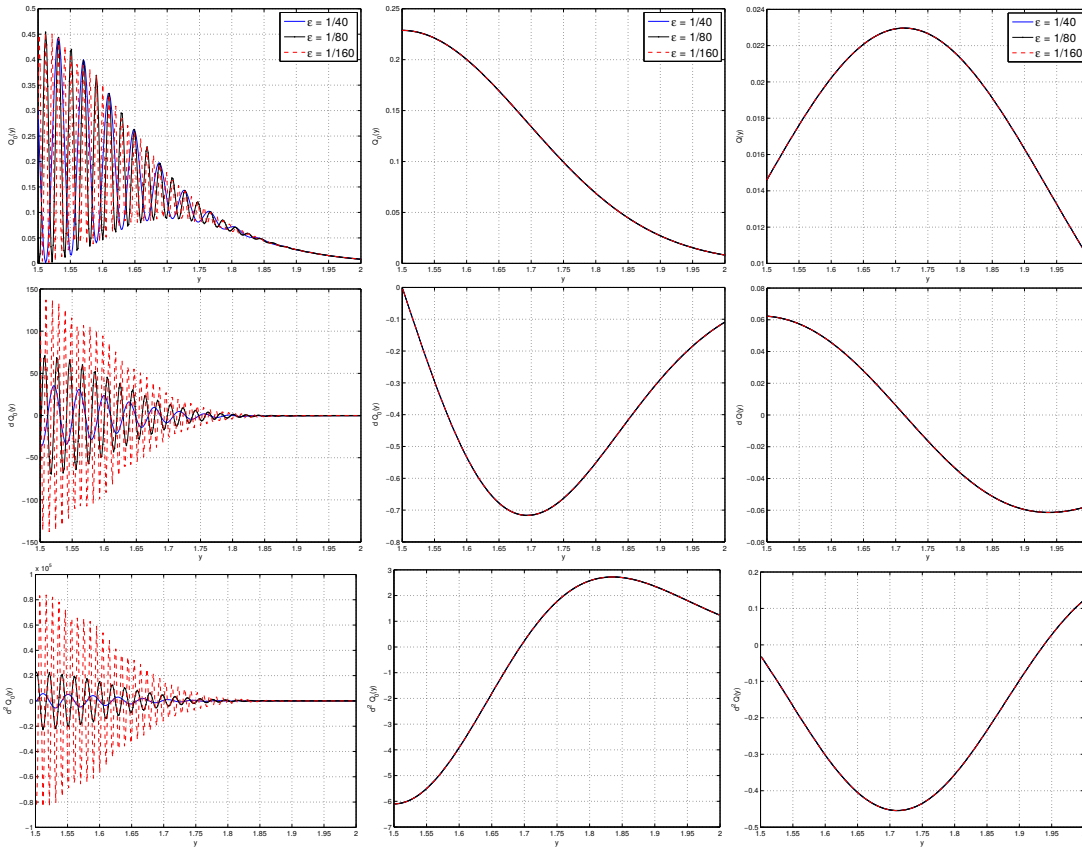
$$396 \quad \tilde{Q}_0(t, y) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \cos\left(\frac{\varphi(t, x, y)}{\varepsilon}\right) B_0(x + c(y)t, y) B_0(x - c(y)t, y) \psi(t, x) dx,$$

397 where  $\varphi(t, x, y) := \varphi_0(x + c(y)t, y) - \varphi_0(x - c(y)t, y)$ . This term could conceivably be prob-  
 398 lematic, depending on the choice of  $B_0$  and  $\varphi_0$ . Notably, the selection

$$399 \quad (5.4) \quad B_0(x, y) = e^{-5(x+s)^2} + e^{-5(x-s)^2}, \quad \varphi_0(x, y) = x, \quad \psi(t, x) = e^{-5x^2},$$

400 produces two symmetric pulses centered at  $\pm s$ , each splitting into two waves traveling in  
 401 opposite directions, see Figure 1 where we set  $s = 1.5$  and  $c = 2$ . The test function  $\psi$  is  
 402 compactly supported in  $x$  for numerical purposes. Let us also choose the speed  $c(y) = y$   
 403 to be the stochastic variable. Then  $\varphi(t, x, y) = 2yt$  and  $\tilde{Q}_0$  includes an oscillatory prefactor  
 404  $\cos(2yt/\varepsilon)$  that does not depend on  $x$  and hence cannot be damped by the test function  
 405  $\psi$ . Consequently, an  $\varepsilon^{-\sigma}$  term is produced when differentiating  $\partial_y^\sigma \tilde{Q}(t, y)$ . Thus  $\tilde{Q}$  does not  
 406 satisfy Theorem 4.3. The QoI (1.2) along with its first and second derivative in  $y$  is depicted  
 407 in Figure 2, left column, for varying  $\varepsilon = (1/40, 1/80, 1/160)$ . The plots display oscillations of  
 408 growing amplitude with increasing  $\sigma$  and decreasing  $\varepsilon$  as predicted. Here, we chose  $y \in [1.5, 2]$ ,  
 409  $s = 3$  and  $t = 2$ .

410 In general, for odd-order polynomial  $\varphi_0$ , there is a cosine prefactor independent of  $x$  in  
 411  $\tilde{Q}_0$  which induces oscillations in  $\varepsilon$  of the QoI (1.2).



**Figure 2.** Left column: QoI (1.2) with  $\varphi_0(x, y) = x$ , and its first and second derivative in  $y$ . Central column: QoI (1.2) with  $\varphi_0(x, y) = x^2$ . Right column: QoI (1.4) with  $\varphi_0(x, y) = x$ .

412 Note that when  $\varphi_0$  is an even-order polynomial in  $x$ , the QoI is not oscillatory for the  
 413 example above. For instance,  $\varphi_0(x, y) = x^2$  gives  $\varphi(t, x, y) = 4xyt$ . By the non-stationary

414 phase lemma, for all compact  $\Gamma_c \subset \Gamma$  there exist  $c_s$  independent of  $\varepsilon$  such that

$$415 \quad \sup_{\substack{y \in \Gamma_c \\ t \in [0, T]}} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}} \cos\left(\frac{4xyt}{\varepsilon}\right) B_0(x+yt, y) B_0(x-yt, y) \psi(x) dx \right| \leq c_s \varepsilon^s,$$

416 for all  $s$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ , and the same holds for its derivatives with respect to  $y$ . The QoI (1.2) with  
 417  $\varphi_0(x, y) = x^2$  and its first and second derivatives in  $y$  are plotted in Figure 2, central column,  
 418 utilizing the same parameters as the previous example. No oscillations can be observed in the  
 419 plot.

420 The different behavior of  $\varphi_0(x, y) = x$  and  $\varphi_0(x, y) = x^2$  in (5.4) does not come as a  
 421 surprise if one looks at the GB approximation (4.3) of (1.2). Note that the left-going wave  
 422  $u^-$  in (5.2) is approximated solely by  $u_k^-$  in (3.5). This is because all GBs  $v_k^-$  in (3.1) move  
 423 along the rays  $(q^-, p^-)$  whose initial data are  $q^-(0, y, z) = z$  and  $p^-(0, y, z) = 1$  by (3.7).  
 424 From (3.4) this implies that  $p^-(t, y, z) = 1$  and  $q^-(t, y, z) = -yt + z$ . Hence, as  $y > 0$  all  $v_k^-$   
 425 move to the left. Similarly,  $u^+$  is approximated merely by  $u_k^+$ . Therefore, the waves moving  
 426 towards the origin (where the test function is supported) are from two different GB families.  
 427 As stated above, a two-mode solution can thus give highly oscillatory QoIs.

428 In contrast, for  $\varphi_0(x, y) = x^2$  we obtain  $p^\pm(0, y, z) = p^\pm(t, y, z) = 2z$  and hence  $q^\pm(t, y, z) =$   
 429  $\pm y \frac{z}{|z|} t + z$ . Therefore, both  $q^+$  and  $q^-$  can move in either direction depending on the starting  
 430 point  $z$ . For our example, this implies that the two waves moving towards the origin belong  
 431 to the same GB mode,  $u_k^-$ , and the two waves moving away belong to  $u_k^+$ . Since the test  
 432 function  $\psi$  is compactly supported around the origin, only  $u_k^-$  will substantially contribute to  
 433 the QoI (4.3). Finally, by Theorem 4.4, the QoI (4.3) consisting of one GB mode solution is  
 434 non-oscillatory.

435 *Remark 5.1.* Generally, a phase  $\varphi_0 = \varphi_0(x)$  whose derivative changes sign on  $\mathbb{R}$  allows for  
 436 two waves approximated by the same mode moving in two different directions. In particular,  
 437 this is true for even-order polynomials. Technically,  $\varphi_0$  is not allowed to attain local extrema  
 438 due to (A3). In practice however, it is enough to make sure that the support of  $B_0$  and  $B_1$   
 439 does not include the stationary point.

440 **5.2. New quantity of interest.** To avoid the oscillatory behavior of  $\tilde{Q}$  in (5.3) we intro-  
 441 duce the new QoI (1.4), in which  $|u^\varepsilon|^2 \psi$  is integrated not only in  $\mathbf{x}$  but also in time  $t$ , with  
 442  $\psi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n)$ . Let us first apply this QoI to the 1D oscillatory example from Section 5.1  
 443 with  $\varphi_0(x, y) = x$ ,

$$444 \quad \begin{aligned} \mathcal{Q}(y) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |u^+(t, x, y) + u^-(t, x, y)|^2 \psi(t, x) dx dt, \\ 445 \quad &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} (|u^+(t, x, y)|^2 + |u^-(t, x, y)|^2 + 2 \operatorname{Re}(u^+(t, x, y)^* u^-(t, x, y))) \psi(t, x) dx dt \\ 446 \quad &=: Q_+(y) + Q_-(y) + Q_0(y). \end{aligned}$$

448 Again, the first two terms yield

$$449 \quad Q_\pm(y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |u^\pm(t, x, y)|^2 \psi(t, x) dx dt = \frac{1}{4} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} B_0^2(x \mp yt, y) \psi(t, x) dx dt,$$



450 where the integrand is smooth, compactly supported in both  $t$  and  $x$  and independent of  $\varepsilon$ ,  
 451 including all its derivatives in  $y$ . The last term reads

$$452 \quad Q_0(y) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \cos\left(\frac{2yt}{\varepsilon}\right) B_0(x+yt, y) B_0(x-yt, y) \psi(t, x) dx dt,$$

453 and since the phase of  $\cos\left(\frac{2yt}{\varepsilon}\right)$  has no stationary point in  $t$ , we can utilize the non-stationary  
 454 phase lemma in  $t$ . As  $\psi$  is compactly supported in both  $t$  and  $x$ , we obtain the desired  
 455 regularity: for all compact  $\Gamma_c \subset \Gamma$ ,  $\sup_{y \in \Gamma_c} |Q_0(y)| \leq c_s \varepsilon^s$  for all  $s$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ , where  $c_s$  is  
 456 independent of  $\varepsilon$  and similarly for differentiation in  $y$ . The same then holds for  $Q(y)$ .

457 To confirm this numerically, we use the initial data from the previous section and set

$$458 \quad \psi(t, x) = e^{-5x^2 - 300(t-t_s)^2},$$

459 where  $t_s = 1.75$ . The rightmost column of Figure 2 shows the QoI (1.4) and its first and  
 460 second derivatives with respect to  $y$  for  $\varepsilon = (1/40, 1/80, 1/160)$ . Compared to the first column  
 461 the oscillations are eliminated.

462 **5.3. Stochastic regularity of  $Q^{p,\alpha}$ .** We now consider the general QoI  $Q^{p,\alpha}$  in (1.3) with  
 463  $\psi$  as in (A5) and define its GB approximated version as

$$464 \quad (5.5) \quad Q_{\text{GB}}^{p,\alpha}(\mathbf{y}) = \varepsilon^{2(p+|\alpha|)} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) |\partial_t^p \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^\alpha u_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|^2 \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} dt.$$

465 We start off by defining the admissible cutoff parameter for the case of two-mode solutions.

466 **Proposition 5.2.** *Assume (A1)–(A3) hold. Then for all  $T > 0$ , beam order  $k$  and compact*  
 467  *$\Gamma_c \subset \Gamma$ , there is a GB cutoff width  $\eta > 0$  and constant  $\delta > 0$  such that for all  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{B}_{2\eta}$ ,*

$$468 \quad (5.6) \quad \text{Im } \Phi_k^\pm(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \geq \delta |\mathbf{x}|^2, \quad \forall t \in [0, T], \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c, \mathbf{z} \in K_0.$$

469 *For the first order GB,  $k = 1$ , we can take  $\eta = \infty$  and (5.6) is valid for all  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .*

470 *Proof.* By Proposition 4.1, for every  $\Gamma_c$  there exist  $\delta^+ > 0$  and  $\eta^+ > 0$  such that for all  
 471  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{B}_{2\eta^+}$  we have  $\text{Im } \Phi_k^+(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \geq \delta^+ |\mathbf{x}|^2$ , and analogously for  $\text{Im } \Phi_k^-$  with  $\delta^-$  and  $\eta^-$ . Then  
 472 choosing  $\delta = \min\{\delta^+, \delta^-\}$  and  $\eta = \min\{\eta^+, \eta^-\}$  yields the relation (5.6) for all  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{B}_{2\eta}$ . ■

473 **Definition 5.3.** *The cutoff width  $\eta$  used for the GB approximation is called admissible for*  
 474 *a given  $T$ ,  $k$  and  $\Gamma_c$  if it is small enough in the sense of Proposition 5.2.*

475 **Remark 5.4.** As in Section 4.1, we assume that  $\eta < \infty$  without loss of generality. We note  
 476 that also for the two-mode solutions, the Gaussian beam superposition (3.8) with no cutoff  
 477 is identical to the one with a large enough cutoff, because of the compact support of the test  
 478 function  $\psi(t, \mathbf{x})$ .

479 We will now prove the main theorem, which shows that the QoI (5.5) is indeed non-  
 480 oscillatory.

481 **Theorem 5.5.** *Assume (A1)–(A5) hold. Moreover, let  $\eta < \infty$  be admissible for  $T > 0$ ,  $k$*   
 482 *and a compact  $\Gamma_c \subset \Gamma$ . Then for all  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\alpha} \in \mathbb{N}_0^N$ , there exist  $C_\sigma$  such that*

$$483 \quad \sup_{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c} \left| \frac{\partial^\sigma Q_{\text{GB}}^{p,\alpha}(\mathbf{y})}{\partial \mathbf{y}^\sigma} \right| \leq C_\sigma, \quad \forall \sigma \in \mathbb{N}_0^N,$$

484 where  $C_\sigma$  is independent of  $\varepsilon$  but depends on  $T$ ,  $k$  and  $\Gamma_c$ .

485 In the proof we will use the following notation. Let  $\mathcal{W}_\mu$  and  $\Sigma_\mu$ , for  $\mu < \infty$ , denote the  
486 spaces

$$487 \quad \mathcal{W}_\mu = \left\{ f \in C^\infty : \text{supp } f(t, \cdot, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') \subset \Sigma_\mu(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}'), \forall t \in \mathbb{R}, \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}' \in \mathbb{R}^n \right\},$$

$$488 \quad \text{where } \Sigma_\mu(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') := \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^+(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})| \leq 2\mu \text{ and } |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^-(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}')| \leq 2\mu \}.$$

490 Note that the space  $\Sigma_\mu$  is similar to  $\Lambda_\mu$  introduced in Section 4.2. Instead of containing  $\mathbf{x}$   
491 that are close enough to two beams from the same mode, it contains  $\mathbf{x}$  that lie at a distance  
492 at most  $2\mu$  from two beams from different modes. We also note that there exist two spaces  
493  $\mathcal{S}_\mu^\pm$  as defined in Section 4.1 since we have two modes of  $\Phi_k^\pm$  and that Lemma 4.7 holds for  
494 both.

495 For the remainder of the proof we fix the final time  $T > 0$ , the beam order  $k$  and the  
496 compact set  $\Gamma_c \subset \Gamma$ . Moreover, we select  $\eta < \infty$  admissible in the sense of Definition 5.3. An  
497 important part of the proof relies on the non-stationary phase lemma:

498 **Lemma 5.6 (Non-stationary phase lemma).** *Suppose  $\Theta \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$  and  $f \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$  with*  
499  *$\text{supp } f \subset [0, T]$ . If  $\partial_t \Theta(t) \neq 0$  for all  $t \in [0, T]$  then the following estimate holds true for all*  
500  *$K \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ,*

$$501 \quad \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t) e^{i\Theta(t)/\varepsilon} dt \right| \leq C_K (1 + \|\Theta\|_{C^{K+1}([0, T])})^K \varepsilon^K \sum_{m \leq K} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{|\partial_t^m f(t)|}{|\partial_t \Theta(t)|^{2K-m}} e^{-\text{Im} \Theta(t)/\varepsilon} dt,$$

502 where  $C_K$  depends on  $K$  but is independent of  $\varepsilon$ ,  $f$ ,  $\Theta$ ,  $T$ , and

$$503 \quad \|\Theta\|_{C^{K+1}([0, T])} = \sum_{k=0}^{K+1} \sup_{t \in [0, T]} \left| \Theta^{(k)}(t) \right|.$$

504 The proof of this lemma is classical. See e.g. [13]. Upon keeping careful track of the constants  
505 in this proof we get the precise dependence on  $\|\Theta\|$  in the right hand side of the estimate.

506 **Lemma 5.7.** *Define*

$$507 \quad I(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}) = f(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}) e^{i\Theta(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u})/\varepsilon},$$

508 for  $f, \Theta \in C^\infty(\Gamma \times \mathbb{R}^d)$ , where  $\text{supp } f(\mathbf{y}, \cdot) \subset D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\forall \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma$ . Then there exist functions  
509  $f_{j\sigma} \in C^\infty(\Gamma \times \mathbb{R}^d)$  with  $\text{supp } f_{j\sigma}(\mathbf{y}, \cdot) \subset D$ ,  $\forall \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma$  such that,

$$510 \quad (5.7) \quad \frac{\partial^\sigma I(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u})}{\partial \mathbf{y}^\sigma} = \sum_{j=0}^{|\sigma|} \varepsilon^{-j} f_{j\sigma}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}) e^{i\Theta(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u})/\varepsilon}.$$

511 *Proof.* We will carry out the proof by induction. For  $\sigma = \mathbf{0}$ , we choose  $f_{\mathbf{0}\mathbf{0}} = f$  and the  
512 lemma holds. Let us assume (5.7) is true for a fixed  $\sigma$ . Then for  $\tilde{\sigma} = \sigma + \mathbf{e}_k$  where  $\mathbf{e}_k$  is the

513  $k$ -th unit vector we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 514 \quad \frac{\partial^{\tilde{\sigma}} I(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u})}{\partial \mathbf{y}^{\tilde{\sigma}}} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y_k} \sum_{j=0}^{|\tilde{\sigma}|} \varepsilon^{-j} f_{j\tilde{\sigma}}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}) e^{i\Theta(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u})/\varepsilon} \\
 515 \quad &= \sum_{j=0}^{|\tilde{\sigma}|} \varepsilon^{-j} \left( \frac{\partial f_{j\tilde{\sigma}}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u})}{\partial y_k} + f_{j\tilde{\sigma}}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}) \frac{i}{\varepsilon} \frac{\partial \Theta(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u})}{\partial y_k} \right) e^{i\Theta(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u})/\varepsilon}.
 \end{aligned}$$

517 Hence we can take

$$518 \quad f_{j\tilde{\sigma}} = \begin{cases} \frac{\partial f_{0\tilde{\sigma}}}{\partial y_k}, & j = 0, \\ \frac{\partial f_{j\tilde{\sigma}}}{\partial y_k} + i f_{j-1\tilde{\sigma}} \frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial y_k}, & 1 \leq j \leq |\tilde{\sigma}| - 1, \\ i f_{j-1\tilde{\sigma}} \frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial y_k}, & j = |\tilde{\sigma}|. \end{cases}$$

519 Clearly, we have  $f_{j\tilde{\sigma}} \in C^\infty(\Gamma \times \mathbb{R}^d)$  with  $\text{supp } f_{j\tilde{\sigma}}(\mathbf{y}, \cdot) \subset D$  for all  $\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma$ . The proof is  
520 complete. ■

521 Recalling the definition of  $u_k$  in (3.8),  $Q_{\text{GB}}^{p,\alpha}$  in (5.5) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
 522 \quad Q_{\text{GB}}^{p,\alpha}(\mathbf{y}) &= \varepsilon^{2(p+|\alpha|)} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \left| \partial_t^p \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^\alpha u_k^+(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \partial_t^p \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^\alpha u_k^-(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \right|^2 \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} dt \\
 523 \quad &= \varepsilon^{2(p+|\alpha|)} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \left[ \left| \partial_t^p \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^\alpha u_k^+(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \right|^2 + \left| \partial_t^p \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^\alpha u_k^-(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \right|^2 \right. \\
 524 \quad &\quad \left. + 2 \text{Re}(\partial_t^p \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^\alpha u_k^+(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})^* \partial_t^p \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^\alpha u_k^-(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})) \right] \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} dt \\
 525 \quad (5.8) \quad &=: Q_1(\mathbf{y}) + Q_2(\mathbf{y}) + 2 \text{Re}(Q_3(\mathbf{y})),
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\psi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n)$  is as in (A5) and  $g \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \Gamma)$ . The first two terms of (5.8),  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ , possess the required stochastic regularity as a consequence of Theorem 4.3. Indeed, as  $\psi$  is only supported for  $t \in [0, T]$  we can write

$$Q_1(\mathbf{y}) = \int_0^T \tilde{Q}_1(t, \mathbf{y}) dt,$$

527 where the reduced QoI  $\tilde{Q}_1$  satisfies the assumptions of Theorem 4.3. (Note that when  $\eta$  is  
528 admissible it is admissible for both  $\Phi_k^+$  and  $\Phi_k^-$  individually.) Then

$$529 \quad (5.9) \quad \sup_{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c} \left| \partial_{\mathbf{y}}^\sigma Q_1(\mathbf{y}) \right| \leq \int_0^T \sup_{\substack{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c \\ t \in [0, T]}} \left| \partial_{\mathbf{y}}^\sigma \tilde{Q}_1^{p,\alpha}(t, \mathbf{y}) \right| dt \leq TC_\sigma,$$

530 and analogously for  $Q_2$ .

531 We will now prove that  $Q_3$  satisfies the same regularity condition owing to the absence of  
532 stationary points of the phase. Let us examine the quantity

$$\begin{aligned}
 533 \quad \partial_{\mathbf{y}}^\sigma Q_3(\mathbf{y}) &= \varepsilon^{2(p+|\alpha|)} \partial_{\mathbf{y}}^\sigma \int_{\mathbb{R}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \partial_t^p \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^\alpha u_k^+(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})^* \partial_t^p \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^\alpha u_k^-(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} dt \\
 534 \quad (5.10) \quad &= \left( \frac{1}{2\pi\varepsilon} \right)^n \int_{K_0 \times K_0} \int_{K_1} \partial_{\mathbf{y}}^\sigma I(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{z} d\mathbf{z}',
 \end{aligned}$$

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536 where

$$537 \quad I(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \varepsilon^{2(p+|\alpha|)} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \partial_t^p \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^{\alpha} w_k^+(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^+(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})^* \partial_t^p \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^{\alpha} w_k^-(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^-(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}'), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}') \\ 538 \quad \times g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) dt,$$

540 with

$$541 \quad w_k^{\pm}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) = A_k^{\pm}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \varrho_{\eta}(\mathbf{x}) e^{i\Phi_k^{\pm}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})/\varepsilon}.$$

542 Recalling Lemma 4.9, we can find  $s_k^{\pm} \in \mathcal{S}_{\eta}^{\pm}$  such that

$$543 \quad I(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \int_{\mathbb{R}} s_k^+(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^+(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})^* s_k^-(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^-(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}'), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}') g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) dt \\ 544 \quad = \sum_{\ell=0}^{L_1} \sum_{m=0}^{L_2} \varepsilon^{\ell+m} \int_{\mathbb{R}} a_{\ell m}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) e^{i\vartheta_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')/\varepsilon} dt,$$

546 where

$$547 \quad a_{\ell m}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = g(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) p_{\ell}^+(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^+(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})^* p_m^-(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^-(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}'), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}'),$$

548 with  $p_{\ell}^+, p_m^- \in \mathcal{P}_{\eta}$ , and

$$549 \quad (5.11) \quad \vartheta_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \Phi_k^-(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^-(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}'), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}') - \Phi_k^+(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^+(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})^*.$$

550 By Proposition 3.1, we have  $\vartheta_k \in C^{\infty}$ , and  $a_{\ell m} \in \mathcal{W}_{\eta}$  because both  $p_{\ell}^+, p_m^-$  are supported in  
551 the ball  $\mathcal{B}_{2\eta}$ . Therefore, by Lemma 5.7, there exist functions  $f_{\ell m j \sigma} \in \mathcal{W}_{\eta}$  such that

$$552 \quad (5.12) \quad \partial_{\mathbf{y}}^{\sigma} I(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \sum_{j=0}^{|\sigma|} \sum_{\ell=0}^{L_1} \sum_{m=0}^{L_2} \varepsilon^{\ell+m-j} \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_{\ell m j \sigma}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) e^{i\vartheta_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')/\varepsilon} dt.$$

553 The following proposition shows that  $\vartheta_k$  has no stationary points in  $t \in [0, T]$  for all  
554  $\mathbf{x} \in \Sigma_{\mu}$  with a small enough  $\mu$ . Note that this is true even for  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{z}'$ .

555 **Proposition 5.8.** *There exist  $0 < \mu \leq 1$  and  $\nu > 0$  such that for all  $\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c$ ,  $\mathbf{z} \in K_0$ ,  
556  $\mathbf{z}' \in K_0$ ,  $t \in [0, T]$  and for all  $\mathbf{x} \in \Sigma_{\mu}$ ,*

$$557 \quad (5.13) \quad |\partial_t \vartheta_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')| \geq \nu.$$

558 *Proof.* Differentiating (5.11) with respect to  $t$  and using (3.2) and (3.4), we obtain

$$559 \quad (5.14) \quad \partial_t \vartheta_k = -\partial_t \mathbf{q}^- \cdot \mathbf{p}^- + \partial_t \mathbf{q}^+ \cdot \mathbf{p}^+ + R_k = -c(\mathbf{q}^-, \mathbf{y}) |\mathbf{p}^-| - c(\mathbf{q}^+, \mathbf{y}) |\mathbf{p}^+| + R_k,$$

560 where  $R_k = R_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')$  reads

$$561 \quad R_k = (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^-) \cdot \partial_t \mathbf{p}^- - (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^+) \cdot \partial_t \mathbf{p}^+ - \partial_t \mathbf{q}^- \cdot M^-(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^-) + \partial_t \mathbf{q}^+ \cdot (M^+)^*(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^+) \\ 562 \quad + \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^-) \cdot \partial_t M^-(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^-) + \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^+) \cdot (\partial_t M^+)^*(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^+) \\ 563 \quad + \sum_{|\beta|=3}^{k+1} \frac{1}{\beta!} \left( \partial_t \phi_{\beta}^-(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^-)^{\beta} + \phi_{\beta}^- \partial_t (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^-)^{\beta} \right) \\ 564 \quad - \sum_{|\beta|=3}^{k+1} \frac{1}{\beta!} \left( \partial_t \phi_{\beta}^+(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^+)^{\beta} + \phi_{\beta}^+ \partial_t (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^+)^{\beta} \right)^* .$$

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566 Since  $\mathbf{q}^\pm, \mathbf{p}^\pm, M^\pm, \phi_\beta^\pm$  are smooth in all variables by Proposition 3.1, their time derivative is  
 567 uniformly bounded in the compact set  $[0, T] \times \Gamma_c \times K_0$ . If  $\mathbf{x} \in \Sigma_\mu$  for some  $0 < \mu \leq 1$ , then  
 568 both  $|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^-| \leq 2\mu$  and  $|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^+| \leq 2\mu$  and we arrive at

$$569 \quad |R_k| \leq C_k \mu,$$

570 with  $C_k$  independent of  $\mu$ .

571 Next, we note that  $H(\mathbf{p}^+, \mathbf{q}^+, \mathbf{y}) = c(\mathbf{q}^+, \mathbf{y})|\mathbf{p}^+|$  is conserved along the ray,

$$572 \quad c(\mathbf{q}^+(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y})|\mathbf{p}^+(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})| = c(\mathbf{q}^+(0, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y})|\mathbf{p}^+(0, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})| = c(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y})|\nabla\varphi_0(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y})|,$$

573 and therefore by (A1) and (A3) we obtain a uniform lower bound on  $c(\mathbf{q}^+, \mathbf{y})|\mathbf{p}^+|$ , for all  
 574  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c$  and  $\mathbf{z} \in K_0$ ,

$$575 \quad c(\mathbf{q}^+(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y})|\mathbf{p}^+(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})| \geq c_{\min} \inf_{\substack{\mathbf{z} \in K_0 \\ \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c}} |\nabla\varphi_0(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y})| \geq \gamma > 0,$$

576 and similarly, from the conservation of  $H(\mathbf{p}^-, \mathbf{q}^-, \mathbf{y})$  we obtain  $c(\mathbf{q}^-(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}'), \mathbf{y})|\mathbf{p}^-| \geq \gamma > 0$ .  
 577 Thus from (5.14) we get

$$578 \quad |\partial_t \vartheta_k| \geq c(\mathbf{q}^-, \mathbf{y})|\mathbf{p}^-| + c(\mathbf{q}^+, \mathbf{y})|\mathbf{p}^+| - |R_k| \geq 2\gamma - C_k \mu \geq \nu > 0,$$

579 for all  $\mathbf{x} \in \Sigma_\mu$  upon taking  $\mu$  small enough. ■

580 We are now ready to finalize the proof of Theorem 5.5. We first choose  $0 < \mu \leq \eta < \infty$   
 581 such that Proposition 5.8 holds. Furthermore, note that the admissibility condition implies  
 582 that for all  $\mathbf{x}$  satisfying  $|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^\pm| \leq 2\eta$  we have  $\text{Im} \Phi_k^\pm(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^\pm, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \geq \delta|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^\pm|^2$ . We can  
 583 therefore estimate  $\text{Im} \vartheta_k$  with  $\vartheta_k$  as in (5.11) as

$$584 \quad \text{Im} \vartheta_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \text{Im} \Phi_k^-(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^-(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}'), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}') + \text{Im} \Phi_k^+(t, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^+(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) \\ 585 \quad (5.15) \quad \geq \delta|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^-(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}')|^2 + \delta|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^+(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})|^2,$$

587 for all  $\mathbf{x} \in \Sigma_\eta$ . To estimate  $|\partial_{\mathbf{y}}^\sigma Q_3|$  we recall (5.10),

$$588 \quad (5.16) \quad |\partial_{\mathbf{y}}^\sigma Q_3(\mathbf{y})| \leq \left( \frac{1}{2\pi\varepsilon} \right)^n \int_{K_0 \times K_0} \int_{K_1} |\partial_{\mathbf{y}}^\sigma I(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')| d\mathbf{x} d\mathbf{z} d\mathbf{z}',$$

589 and by (5.12) and (A4) one has

$$590 \quad (5.17) \quad |\partial_{\mathbf{y}}^\sigma I(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')| \leq \sum_{j=0}^{|\sigma|} \sum_{\ell=0}^{L_1} \sum_{m=0}^{L_2} \varepsilon^{-|\sigma|} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}} f \ell m j \sigma(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) e^{i\vartheta_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')/\varepsilon} dt \right|.$$

591 Let us introduce the function

$$592 \quad g_1(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \varrho_\mu(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^+(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})) \varrho_\mu(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^-(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}')),$$

593 so that  $g_1 \in \mathcal{W}_\mu$ . Then for  $g_2 := 1 - g_1 \in C^\infty$  and  $\text{supp } g_2(t, \cdot, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') \subset \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \Sigma_{\mu/2}$  for  
 594 all  $t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}'$ . We will now regard (5.17) one term at a time, and use the partition of unity  
 595  $1 = g_1 + g_2$ ,

$$596 \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_{\ell m j \sigma} \psi e^{i\vartheta_k/\varepsilon} dt = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_{\ell m j \sigma} \psi (g_1 + g_2) e^{i\vartheta_k/\varepsilon} dt = \textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2}.$$

597 Let us first estimate the term  $\textcircled{1}$ . We have  $\Sigma_{\mu/2} \subset \Sigma_\eta$  and therefore for  $g_{\ell m j \sigma} := f_{\ell m j \sigma} \psi g_1$  we  
 598 have  $\text{supp } g_{\ell m j \sigma}(\cdot, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') \subset [0, T]$ ,  $\forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}'$ , and  $\text{supp } g_{\ell m j \sigma}(t, \cdot, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') \subset \Sigma_{\mu/2}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') \cap$   
 599  $K_1$ ,  $\forall t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}'$ . We now restrict  $(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')$  to the compact set  $[0, T] \times \Gamma_c \times K_0 \times K_0$ . Since  
 600 the gradient  $\partial_t \vartheta_k$  does not vanish for  $\mathbf{x} \in \Sigma_{\mu/2}$  on this set by Proposition 5.8 we can employ  
 601 the non-stationary phase Lemma 5.6,

$$602 \quad |\textcircled{1}| \leq \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}} g_{\ell m j \sigma}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') e^{i\vartheta_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')/\varepsilon} dt \right|$$

$$603 \quad \leq C_K D_K \varepsilon^K \sum_{q=0}^K \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{|\partial_t^q g_{\ell m j \sigma}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')|}{|\partial_t \vartheta_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')|^{2K-q}} e^{-\text{Im } \vartheta_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')/\varepsilon} dt,$$

$$604$$

for every  $K \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Here,  $C_K$  only depends on  $K$  and

$$D_K = \left( 1 + \|\vartheta_k(\cdot, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')\|_{C^{K+1}([0, T])} \right)^K \leq \tilde{D}_K,$$

605 since  $\vartheta \in C^\infty$  and  $(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')$  belongs to the compact set  $K_1 \times \Gamma_c \times K_0 \times K_0$ . Similarly, since  
 606  $g_{\ell m j \sigma} \in C^\infty$ , its time derivatives are uniformly bounded: for all  $t \in [0, T]$ ,  $\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c$ ,  $\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}' \in K_0$   
 607 and  $\mathbf{x} \in K_1$ ,

$$608 \quad |\partial_t^q g_{\ell m j \sigma}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')| \leq C_{\ell m j \sigma q}.$$

609 Therefore, using the fact that  $\text{Im } \vartheta_k \geq 0$  from (5.15) and recalling (5.13) we obtain

$$610 \quad |\textcircled{1}| \leq C_K \varepsilon^K \sum_{q=0}^K \int_0^T \frac{C_{\ell m j \sigma q}}{\nu^{2K-q}} dt \leq \tilde{C}_{K \ell m j \sigma} \varepsilon^K,$$

611 where  $\tilde{C}_{K \ell m j \sigma}$  also depends on  $T, \mu, \eta, \Gamma_c, k, \nu, p, \alpha$ , but is independent of  $\varepsilon$ .

612 Secondly, let us estimate the term  $\textcircled{2}$ . Since  $\text{supp } g_2(t, \cdot, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') \subset \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \Sigma_{\mu/2}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')$ ,  
 613  $\textcircled{2}$  is only nonzero for either  $|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^+(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})| > 2\mu$  or  $|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{q}^-(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}')| > 2\mu$  (or both) and  
 614 therefore by (5.15),

$$615 \quad \text{Im } \vartheta_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') \geq \delta \mu^2,$$

616 whenever  $t \in [0, T]$ ,  $\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c$ ,  $\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}' \in K_0$  and  $\mathbf{x}$  is in the support of  $g_2$ . As  $h_{\ell m j \sigma} := f_{\ell m j \sigma} \psi g_2 \in$   
 617  $C^\infty$ ,  $\textcircled{2}$  can be estimated as

$$618 \quad |\textcircled{2}| \leq \int_0^T |h_{\ell m j \sigma}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')| e^{-\text{Im } \vartheta_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')/\varepsilon} dt$$

$$619 \quad \leq T \tilde{C}_{\ell m j \sigma} e^{-\delta \mu^2/\varepsilon},$$

$$620$$

621 for all  $\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c$ ,  $\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}' \in K_0$  and  $\mathbf{x} \in K_1$ . Collecting ① and ② together, we obtain from (5.17)

$$\begin{aligned}
622 \quad |\partial_{\mathbf{y}}^{\sigma} I(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')| &\leq \sum_{j=0}^{|\sigma|} \sum_{\ell=0}^{L_1} \sum_{m=0}^{L_2} \varepsilon^{-|\sigma|} (|\textcircled{1}| + |\textcircled{2}|) \\
623 \quad &\leq \max_{j,\ell,m} \varepsilon^{-|\sigma|} \left( \tilde{C}_{K\ell mj\sigma} \varepsilon^K + T \tilde{C}_{\ell mj\sigma} e^{-\delta\mu^2/\varepsilon} \right). \\
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\end{aligned}$$

625 Finally, by (5.16) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
626 \quad |\partial_{\mathbf{y}}^{\sigma} Q_3(\mathbf{y})| &\leq (2\pi)^{-n} \varepsilon^{-|\sigma|-n} |K_0|^2 |K_1| \max_{j,\ell,m} \left( \tilde{C}_{K\ell mj\sigma} \varepsilon^K + T \tilde{C}_{\ell mj\sigma} e^{-\delta\mu^2/\varepsilon} \right). \\
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\end{aligned}$$

628 That is, choosing  $K \geq n + |\sigma|$ , the first term is bounded in  $\varepsilon$ . Since  $\delta > 0$ , the second term  
629 decays fast as a function of  $\varepsilon$  for any  $\sigma$ . Therefore, there exists an upper bound  $C_{\sigma}$  such that

$$630 \quad \sup_{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c} |\partial_{\mathbf{y}}^{\sigma} Q_3(\mathbf{y})| \leq C_{\sigma},$$

631 where  $C_{\sigma}$  depends on  $T, \mu, \eta, \Gamma_c, k, \delta, L_1, L_2, p, \alpha$ , but is uniform in  $\varepsilon$ . Recalling (5.8) and (5.9)  
632 we then arrive at

$$633 \quad \sup_{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c} |\partial_{\mathbf{y}}^{\sigma} \mathcal{Q}_{\text{GB}}^{p,\alpha}(\mathbf{y})| \leq \sup_{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c} |\partial_{\mathbf{y}}^{\sigma} Q_1(\mathbf{y})| + \sup_{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c} |\partial_{\mathbf{y}}^{\sigma} Q_2(\mathbf{y})| + 2 \sup_{\mathbf{y} \in \Gamma_c} |\partial_{\mathbf{y}}^{\sigma} Q_3(\mathbf{y})| \leq \tilde{C}_{\sigma},$$

634 with  $C_{\sigma}$  dependent on  $T, \mu, \eta, \Gamma_c, k, K, \delta, \nu, L_1, L_2, p, \alpha$ , but independent of  $\varepsilon$ , which concludes  
635 the proof of Theorem 5.5.

636 **5.4. Numerical example.** A numerical example was presented in Section 5.1 comparing  
637 the QoIs  $\tilde{\mathcal{Q}}$  in (1.2) and  $\mathcal{Q}$  in (1.4). We were able to obtain the exact solution since the speed  
638 was constant and the spatial variable was one-dimensional. In higher dimensions, however,  
639 caustics can appear and the exact solution is typically no longer available. Instead, we make  
640 use of the GB approximations  $\tilde{\mathcal{Q}}_{\text{GB}}$  in (4.3) and  $\mathcal{Q}_{\text{GB}} := \mathcal{Q}_{\text{GB}}^{0,0}$  in (3.9).

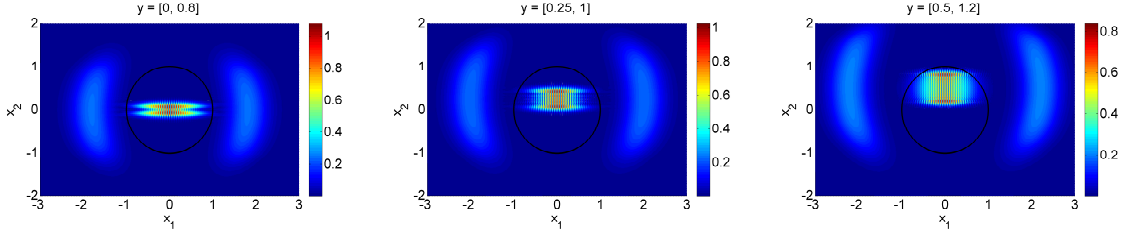
641 Let us consider a 2D wave equation (1.1) with  $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, x_2]$ . The initial data include two  
642 random parameters  $\mathbf{y} = [y_1, y_2]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
643 \quad B_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) &= e^{-10((x_1+1)^2+(x_2-y_1)^2)} + e^{-10((x_1-1)^2+(x_2-y_1)^2)}, & B_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) &= 0, \\
644 \quad \varphi_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) &= |x_1| + (x_2 - y_1)^2, & c(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) &= y_2.
\end{aligned}$$

646 The test function is chosen as

$$647 \quad \psi(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} e^{-\frac{|\mathbf{x}|^2}{1-|\mathbf{x}|^2}}, & \text{for } |\mathbf{x}| \leq 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

648 This setup corresponds to two pulses centered in  $(\pm 1, y_1)$  at  $t = 0$ , moving along the  $x_1$  axis,  
649 while spreading or contracting in the  $x_2$  direction, see Figure 3, where we plot the modulus  
650 of the first-order GB solution  $|u_1(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|$  at  $t = 1$  for various combinations of  $y$ . The central  
651 circle denotes the support of the test function  $\psi$ .



**Figure 3.** The modulus of the GB solution  $|u_1(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|$  for  $\varepsilon = 1/60$  and  $\varphi_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = |x_1| + (x_2 - y_1)^2$ , at time  $t = 1$ , for various  $\mathbf{y}$ . The circle denotes the support of the test function  $\psi$ .

652 By analogous arguments as in Section 5.1, the part of the solution overlapping in the origin  
 653 is from the same GB mode. Hence, the QoI  $\tilde{Q}_{\text{GB}}$  with the test function supported around  
 654 the origin should not oscillate. This is indeed the case, as seen in the left column of Figure 4,  
 655 where the random variables are chosen as  $y_1 \in [0, 0.5]$ ,  $y_2 \in [0.8, 1.2]$  and we define  $r \in [0, 1]$ ,  
 656 such that  $[y_1, y_2] = [0, 0.8] + r[0.5, 0.4]$  (i.e. the diagonal parameter). We plot  $\tilde{Q}_{\text{GB}}$  and its  
 657 first and second derivatives with respect to  $r$  at time  $t = 1$  as a function of  $r$ .

658 Let us now consider the same setup only changing the initial phase function to

$$659 \quad \varphi_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = x_1 + (x_2 - y_1)^2.$$

660 Three realizations of  $|u_1(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|$  at  $t = 1$  are shown in Figure 5. It is no longer the case  
 661 that the two branches moving towards the center can be described by the same GB mode. A  
 662 numerical test plotted in Figure 4, central column, confirms the presence of two GB modes  
 663 since the QoI cannot be bounded by a constant independent of  $\varepsilon$ . Here, we again plot  $\tilde{Q}_{\text{GB}}$  and  
 664 its first and second derivatives with respect to  $r$  at time  $t = 1$  as a function of  $r$ . Oscillations  
 665 with increasing amplitudes can be observed.

666 To get rid of the oscillations, we need to consider the time-integrated QoI  $Q_{\text{GB}}$ . We  
 667 introduce the test function

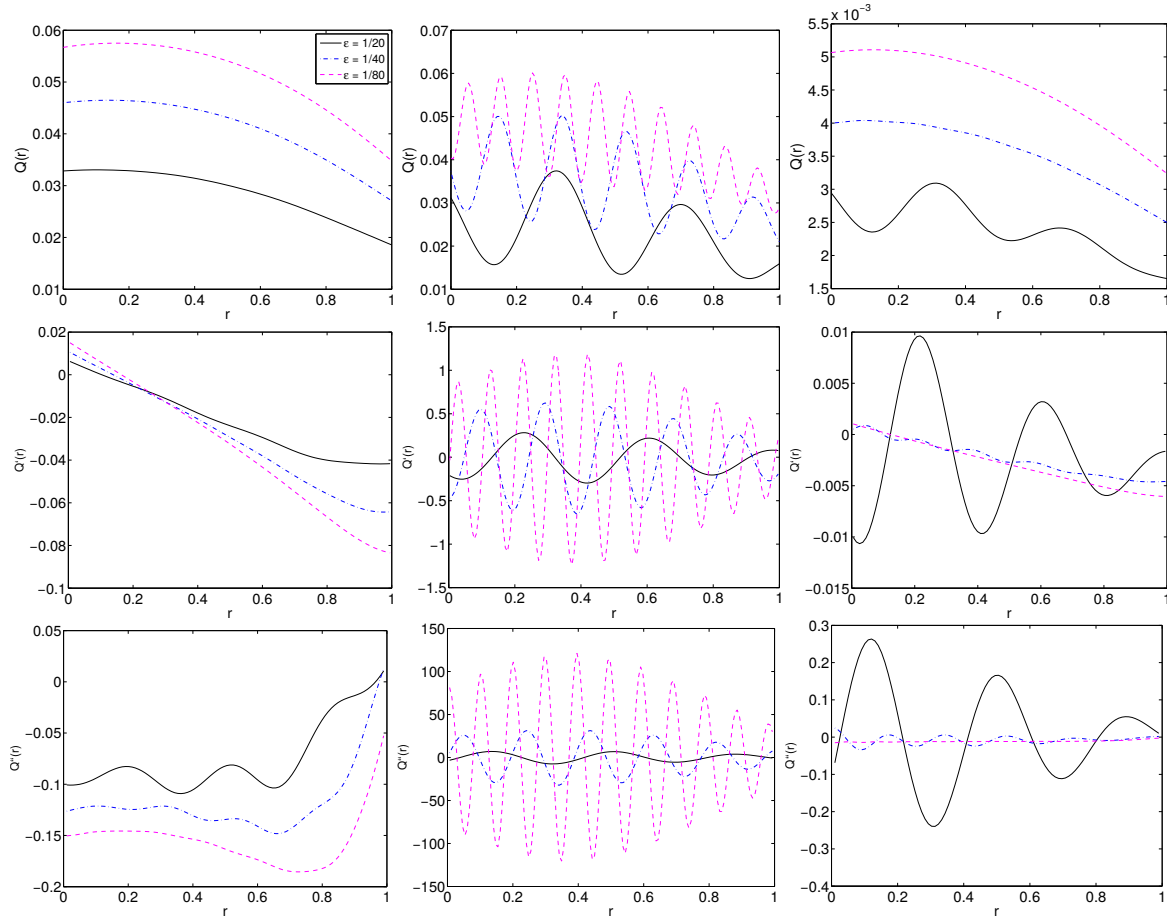
$$668 \quad \psi(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} e^{-\frac{|\mathbf{x}|^2}{1-|\mathbf{x}|^2} - 10\frac{(t-1)^2}{0.2^2 - (t-1)^2}}, & \text{for } |\mathbf{x}| \leq 1, \text{ and } |t-1| \leq 0.2, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

669 and integrate over both  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $t$ . The QoI and its first and second derivatives are shown  
 670 in Figure 4, right column. The oscillations do not disappear entirely, but their amplitude  
 671 decrease rapidly as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . This illustrates the difference between  $Q_{\text{GB}}$  and  $\tilde{Q}_{\text{GB}}$ .

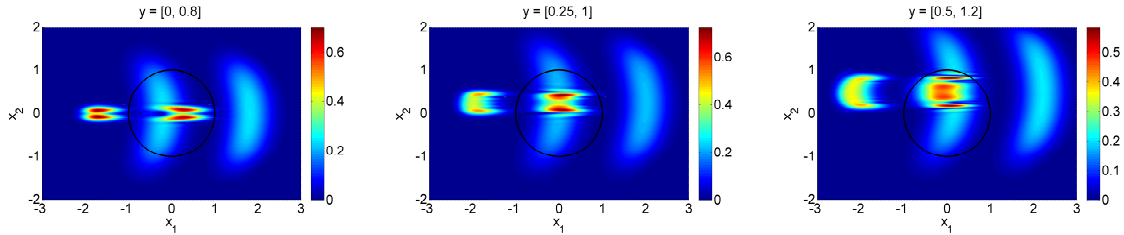
672 **Appendix A. Proof of Theorem 4.10.** To simplify the expressions, we first introduce the  
 673 symmetrizing variables

$$674 \quad \bar{\mathbf{q}} = \bar{\mathbf{q}}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \frac{\mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) + \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}')}{2}, \quad \Delta \mathbf{q} = \Delta \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \frac{\mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}) - \mathbf{q}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}')}{2},$$





**Figure 4.** Left column:  $\tilde{Q}_{GB}$  and its first and second derivatives for one-mode solution. Central column:  $\tilde{Q}_{GB}$  and its first and second derivatives for two-mode solution. Right column:  $Q_{GB}$  and its first and second derivatives for two-mode solution.



**Figure 5.** The modulus of the GB solution  $|u_1(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})|$  for  $\varepsilon = 1/60$  and  $\varphi_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = x_1 + (x_2 - y_1)^2$  at time  $t = 1$ , for various  $\mathbf{y}$ . The circle denotes the support of the test function  $\psi$ .

675 and the symmetrized version of the space  $\mathcal{T}_\eta$  used in Section 4.2

676 
$$\mathcal{T}_\eta^s := \left\{ f \in C^\infty : \text{supp } f(t, \cdot, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') \subset \Lambda_\eta^s(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}'), \forall t \in \mathbb{R}, \mathbf{y} \in \Gamma, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}' \in \mathbb{R}^n \right\},$$

677 where  $\Lambda_\eta^s(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') := \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : |\mathbf{x} - \Delta \mathbf{q}| \leq 2\eta \text{ and } |\mathbf{x} + \Delta \mathbf{q}| \leq 2\eta \}.$

679 Then  $I_0$  in (4.8) can be written as

$$680 \quad (\text{A.2}) \quad I_0(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} h(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') (\mathbf{x} - \Delta \mathbf{q})^\alpha (\mathbf{x} + \Delta \mathbf{q})^\beta e^{i\Psi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')/\varepsilon} d\mathbf{x},$$

681 where  $\Psi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \Theta_k(t, \mathbf{x} + \bar{\mathbf{q}}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')$  and  $h(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = f(t, \mathbf{x} + \bar{\mathbf{q}}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')$  so that  
682  $h \in \mathcal{T}_\eta^s$  since  $f \in \mathcal{T}_\eta$ . The following auxiliary lemma is a compilation of Lemma 3 and the  
683 differentiated version of Lemma 4 in [23].

684 **Lemma A.1.** *There exists  $f_{\mu, \nu} \in C^\infty$  such that*

$$685 \quad (\mathbf{x} - \Delta \mathbf{q})^\alpha (\mathbf{x} + \Delta \mathbf{q})^\beta = \sum_{|\mu + \nu| = |\alpha + \beta|} f_{\mu, \nu}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}')^\mu \mathbf{x}^\nu.$$

686 For the  $k$ -th order symmetrized Gaussian beam phase  $\Psi_k$ , there exist  $a_{\alpha, \beta, m} \in C^\infty$  such that

$$687 \quad \partial_{y_m} \Psi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \sum_{2 \leq |\alpha + \beta| \leq k+1} a_{\alpha, \beta, m}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}')^\alpha \mathbf{x}^\beta.$$

688 The following proposition is an update of [23, Proposition 3] adapted to our case.

689 **Proposition A.2.** *There exist functions  $g_{\mu, \nu, \sigma, \ell} \in \mathcal{T}_\eta^s$  and  $L_\sigma, M_\sigma \geq 0$  such that the deriva-*  
690 *tives of  $I_0$  in (A.2) with respect to  $\mathbf{y}$  read*

$$691 \quad (\text{A.3}) \quad \partial_{\mathbf{y}}^\sigma I_0(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \sum_{\ell = -|\sigma|}^{L_\sigma} \sum_{|\mu + \nu| + 2\ell = 0}^{M_\sigma} \varepsilon^\ell (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}')^\mu \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \mathbf{x}^\nu g_{\mu, \nu, \sigma, \ell}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') e^{i\Psi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')/\varepsilon} d\mathbf{x}.$$

692 *Proof.* Recalling Lemma A.1, (A.2) can be reformulated as

$$693 \quad I_0(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = \sum_{|\mu + \nu| = |\alpha + \beta|} (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}')^\mu \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \mathbf{x}^\nu g_{\mu, \nu}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') e^{i\Psi_k(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')/\varepsilon} d\mathbf{x},$$

694 with  $g_{\mu, \nu}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') = h(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') f_{\mu, \nu}(t, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}')$ . Therefore, since  $h \in \mathcal{T}_\eta^s$  and  $f_{\mu, \nu} \in C^\infty$   
695 we have  $g_{\mu, \nu} \in \mathcal{T}_\eta^s$ . We will now prove (A.3) by induction. First, the statement is valid for  
696  $\sigma = \mathbf{0}$  since we can choose  $L_0 = 0$ ,  $M_0 = |\alpha + \beta|$  and

$$697 \quad g_{\mu, \nu, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}} = \begin{cases} g_{\mu, \nu}, & \text{for } |\mu + \nu| = |\alpha + \beta|, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

698 For the induction step let  $L_\sigma, M_\sigma \geq 0$  and  $g_{\mu, \nu, \sigma, \ell} \in \mathcal{T}_\eta^s$  be such that (A.3) holds. Then for  
699  $\tilde{\sigma} = \sigma + \mathbf{e}_m$ , where  $\mathbf{e}_m$  is the  $m$ -th unit vector, we have  $\partial_{\mathbf{y}}^{\tilde{\sigma}} I_0 = \partial_{y_m} \partial_{\mathbf{y}}^\sigma I_0$ . Using (A.3), we  
700 can write

$$701 \quad \partial_{\mathbf{y}}^{\tilde{\sigma}} I_0 = \sum_{\ell = -|\sigma|}^{L_\sigma} \sum_{|\mu + \nu| + 2\ell = 0}^{M_\sigma} \varepsilon^\ell (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}')^\mu \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \mathbf{x}^\nu (\partial_{y_m} g_{\mu, \nu, \sigma, \ell} + g_{\mu, \nu, \sigma, \ell} i\varepsilon^{-1} \partial_{y_m} \Psi_k) e^{i\Psi_k/\varepsilon} d\mathbf{x}$$

$$702 \quad = \textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2}.$$

704 Since  $\partial_{y_m} g_{\mu,\nu,\sigma,\ell} \in \mathcal{T}_\eta^s$ , ① is of the form (A.3) with  $L_{\tilde{\sigma}} = L_\sigma$ ,  $M_{\tilde{\sigma}} = M_\sigma$  and

$$705 \quad g_{\mu,\nu,\tilde{\sigma},\ell} = \begin{cases} \partial_{y_m} g_{\mu,\nu,\sigma,\ell}, & \text{for } \ell \geq -|\sigma|, \\ 0, & \text{for } \ell = -|\sigma| - 1. \end{cases}$$

706 Regarding the remaining terms ②, let us express the derivative  $\partial_{y_m} \Psi_k$  by Lemma A.1. Then  
707 ② reads

$$708 \quad (\text{A.4}) \quad \sum_{\ell=-|\sigma|}^{L_\sigma} \sum_{|\mu+\nu|+2\ell=0}^{M_\sigma} \sum_{|\gamma+\delta|=2}^{k+1} \varepsilon^{\ell-1} (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}')^{\mu+\gamma} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \mathbf{x}^{\nu+\delta} h_{\mu,\nu,\gamma,\delta,\ell} e^{i\Psi_k/\varepsilon} d\mathbf{x},$$

709 with  $h_{\mu,\nu,\gamma,\delta,\ell} = ia_{\gamma,\delta,m} g_{\mu,\nu,\sigma,\ell} \in \mathcal{T}_\eta^s$  since  $g_{\mu,\nu,\sigma,\ell} \in \mathcal{T}_\eta^s$  and  $a_{\gamma,\delta,m} \in C^\infty$ . Each of the terms  
710 in (A.4) is therefore of the form

$$711 \quad \varepsilon^{\tilde{\ell}} (\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}')^{\tilde{\mu}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \mathbf{x}^{\tilde{\nu}} h_{\tilde{\mu},\tilde{\nu},\tilde{\ell}}(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') e^{i\Psi_k(t,\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y},\mathbf{z},\mathbf{z}')/\varepsilon} d\mathbf{x},$$

712 where

$$713 \quad -|\tilde{\sigma}| \leq \tilde{\ell} = \ell - 1 \leq L_\sigma - 1 =: L_{\tilde{\sigma}},$$

714 and

$$715 \quad 0 \leq |\tilde{\mu} + \tilde{\nu}| + 2\tilde{\ell} = |\mu + \nu| + 2\ell + |\gamma + \delta| - 2 \leq M_\sigma + k - 1 =: M_{\tilde{\sigma}},$$

716 which finalizes the induction argument and concludes Proposition A.2. ■

717 The rest of the proof of [23, Theorem 1] can be used as it is. In particular, if  $\eta < \infty$ , then  
718 [23, Lemma 5] and [23, Lemma 6] are valid without any alteration. Ultimately, we are using  
719 the fact that  $0 \leq |\mu + \nu| + 2\ell$  in (A.3) which is still the case due to Proposition A.2. Finally,  
720 since all estimates in [23] are uniform in  $t$ , the constant  $C_\sigma$  is uniform in  $[0, T]$  as well. This  
721 completes the proof of Theorem 4.10.

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