Problem Set No.2 Due: July 01, 2020

## 1. (20 points) Dirac identity

Prove the following Dirac identity:

$$\frac{1}{r \mp i\epsilon} \bigg|_{\epsilon \to 0} = \mathcal{P} \frac{1}{r} \pm i\pi \delta(r),$$

where  $\mathcal{P}$  is the Cauchy's principal value. (Hint: Consider a complex function f(z) that is analytical in the upper half-plane and approaches zero as  $|z| \to \infty$ .)

## 2. (10 points) Kramers-Kronig transformations

Show that Kramers-Kronig transformations derived in the previous lecture can take other forms as given by

$$\chi'(\omega) = \frac{2}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_0^\infty d\nu \frac{\nu \chi''(\nu)}{\nu^2 - \omega^2},$$
  
$$\chi''(\omega) = -\frac{2\omega}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int_0^\infty d\nu \frac{\chi'(\nu)}{\nu^2 - \omega^2},$$

where  $\mathcal{P}$  denotes the Cauchy's principal value.

## 3. (20 points) Quantum mechanical harmonic oscillators

(a) (10 points) In the lecture we studied the oscillator strength  $f_{nl}$  for an atom in a classical light field. The following sum rule for  $f_{nl}$  is found:

$$\sum_{n \neq l} f_{nl} = 1.$$

Derive the oscillator strength for the transition between the n and l states of a quantum mechanical harmonic oscillator.

Hint: You can use main results of quantum mechanical harmonic oscillators, which can be found in books on introductory quantum mechanics, for example, J. J. Sakurai, *Modern Quantum Mechanics*, p.92, (Benjamin/Cummings, 1985), R. Shankar, *Principles of Quantum Mechanics*, p.207, (Plenum Press, 1980).

(b) (10 points) Prove that the above sum rule is also applicable to quantum mechanical harmonic oscillators.