

~~2/12~~ You can use the following relation:

$$\nabla(\sigma \cdot \nabla f) = \hat{r}(\sigma \cdot \hat{r}) \left[ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \right] + \sigma \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial f}{\partial r}$$

where  $\hat{r}$  is a unit vector and  $\nabla_2 = -\nabla_1 = \nabla$ , to solve the following problems:

~~2/12~~ At distances sufficiently large that overlap between their densities may be ignored, the interaction between two nucleons may be shown to be similar to that between two point dipoles,

$$V(r) \sim (\sigma_1 \cdot \nabla_1)(\sigma_2 \cdot \nabla_2)f(r)$$

Under the assumption of one-pion exchange, we may take the radial dependence to have the form

$$f(r) = \frac{e^{-r/r_0}}{r}$$

where

$$r_0 = \frac{\hbar c}{m_\pi c^2}$$

is the range. The strength of the potential may be related to the pion-nucleon coupling constant  $g$  ( $g^2/\hbar c \simeq 0.081 \pm 0.002$ ). Except for isospin dependence, which we shall ignore here for simplicity, the potential may be written as

$$V(r) = -g^2 r_0^2 (\sigma_1 \cdot \nabla_1)(\sigma_2 \cdot \nabla_2) \frac{e^{-r/r_0}}{r}$$

Use the result of Problem 3-12 above to show that  $V(r)$  can be expressed in terms of the tensor operator  $S_{12}$  given in Eq. (3-38),

$$V(r) = \frac{g^2}{3} \left\{ \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{3r_0}{r} + \frac{3r_0^2}{r^2} \right) S_{12} + \sigma_1 \cdot \sigma_2 \right] \frac{e^{-r/r_0}}{r} - 4\pi r_0^2 \delta(r) \sigma_1 \cdot \sigma_2 \right\}$$

where  $r = |\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2|$ .