**Group Activity 9** 

Due: In class, September 21st

1. Based on selection rules, which  $\gamma$ -decay types could link the 3/2<sup>+</sup> state at ~4MeV in <sup>19</sup>Ne to the 1/2<sup>+</sup> ground state?

2. Calculate Weisskopf estimates for  $t_{\frac{1}{2}}$  for the transitions described in Problem 1. Compare your answers to the experimental limit provided on the NNDC webpage.

3. As you know,  $\alpha \propto Z^3$  ...so why on earth does <sup>16</sup>O exhibit significant internal conversion (IC) from the first excited state?