## Questions

- 1. Can dd  $\rightarrow \alpha \pi^0$  be a strong interaction? (That's d as in deuteron not d as in down.)
- 2. In general terms, what does I-spin symmetry say?
- 3. More precisely, what are the consequences?
- 4. What is the group associated with I-spin?
- 5. How can you guess that from your knowledge of group representations and a couple of phenomenological facts?
- 6. Is I-spin a symmetry of the EM interactions? How can you see that very easily?
- 7. The rate for  $\eta \to 3\pi$  is comparable to the rate for  $\eta \to 2\gamma$  .
  - a) Is this odd?
  - b) Is  $\eta \to 3\pi$  a strong decay? Why or why not?
- 8. Is  $\rho^0 \to \pi^0 \pi^0$  a strong decay?
- 9. What are the quark flavors associated with I-spin?
- 10. For what interactions are the flavor quantum numbers conserved?