

Bonding: Molecular Orbitals, Hybridization & Shape

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Electronic Configuration & Bonding (Review)

- Every element is different.
 - ❖ The number of protons identifies the element.
 - ❖ The number of electrons equals the number of protons in neutral atoms.
 - ❖ Atoms gain or loose electrons to form ions
 - ❖ Gain & loss of electrons represent ionic bonds
 - ❖ Sharing electrons represent covalent bonds
- Electronic configuration is the identification of electrons in an atom. Electrons have unique probabilities of being found in certain spaces: *atomic orbitals*

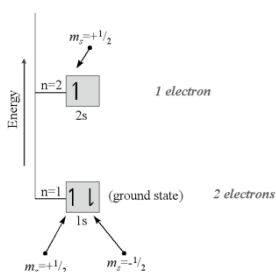
Atomic Orbitals (Review)

- Electrons have unique probabilities of being found in certain spaces: *atomic orbitals*
- Quantum numbers (q.n.) relate to atomic orbitals, which have discrete respective energies.
- There are four q.n. for these energies; the Periodic Table is arranged by q.n.: primary (n), angular momentum (l), magnetic (m) and spin (m_s)
- Orbitals are based on values of (l) and (m)
- Orbitals are derived from the solution of the Schrodinger Equation using wave functions that represent the behavior of the electrons.

Lithium Electronic Configuration

- The arrows indicate the value of the magnetic spin (m_s) quantum number (up for +1/2 and down for -1/2)
- The occupation of the orbitals would be written in the following way:

$1s^2 2s^1$
or, "1s two, 2s one".



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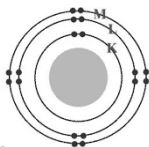
Electronic Configurations – Box Diagram

Element	Total Electrons	Orbital Diagram				Electron Configuration
		1s	2s	2p	3s	
H	1	↑				1s ¹
He	2	↑↓				1s ²
Li	3	↑↓	↑			1s ² 2s ¹
Be	4	↑↓	↑↓			1s ² 2s ²
B	5	↑↓	↑↓	↑		1s ² 2s ² 2p ¹

- The two electrons in Helium represent the complete filling of the first electronic shell which is a very stable configuration
- The s and p electrons in the outer shell, highest value of n (beyond the stable core), are called *valence electrons*

Valence Electrons

- **Valence electrons** are the electrons in the outer electron shell or highest energy level of an atom.
- The elements beneath He in the Periodic Table have stable configurations of 8 valence electrons



The lowest level (K), can contain 2 electrons.
The next level (L) can contain 8 electrons.
The next level (M) can contain 8 electrons.



Carbon - $1s^2 2s^2 2p^2$ - four valence electrons

Examples of Electronic Configuration

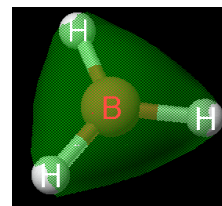
- Ne $\rightarrow 1s^2 2s^2 2p^6$ (10 electrons total; 8 valence electrons)
- F $\rightarrow 1s^2 2s^2 2p^5$ (9 electrons; 7 valence electrons)
- $F^- \rightarrow 1s^2 2s^2 2p^6$ (10 electrons total; 8 valence electrons)
- Mg $\rightarrow 1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2$ (12 electrons total; 2 valence electrons)
- $Mg^{2+} \rightarrow 1s^2 2s^2 2p^6$ (10 electrons total; 8 valence electrons)

Molecular Orbital Theory

Molecular orbital theory describes molecules in a similar way as to how atoms are described, that is, in terms of orbitals, orbital diagrams, and electron configurations.

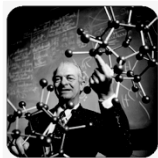
Two Theories of Bonding

- **MOLECULAR ORBITAL THEORY** – Robert Mulliken (1896-1986)
- **valence electrons are delocalized**
- valence electrons are **in orbitals** (called molecular orbitals) **spread over entire molecule.**



Two Theories of Bonding

- **VALENCE BOND THEORY** — Linus Pauling
- valence electrons are localized **between atoms (or are lone pairs).**
- **half-filled atomic orbitals overlap to form bonds.**
- Two electrons of opposite spin can occupy the overlapping orbitals.
- Bonding increases the probability of finding electrons in between atoms.



Review Lewis Structures & VSEPR Theory:

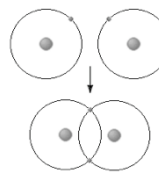
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Atomic and Molecular Orbitals

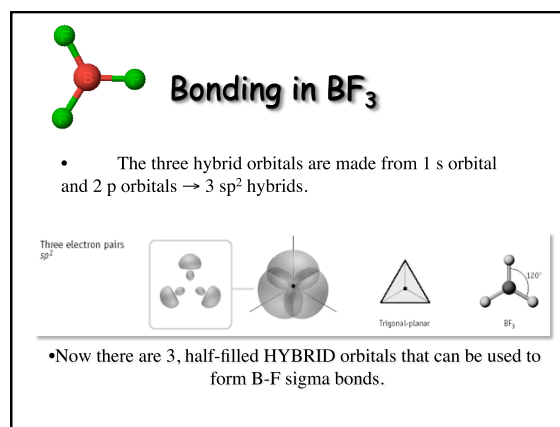
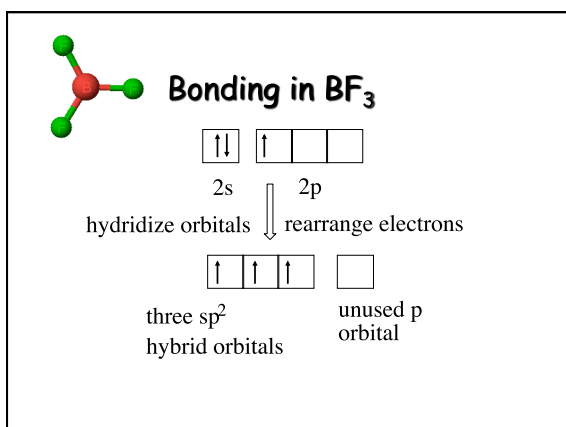
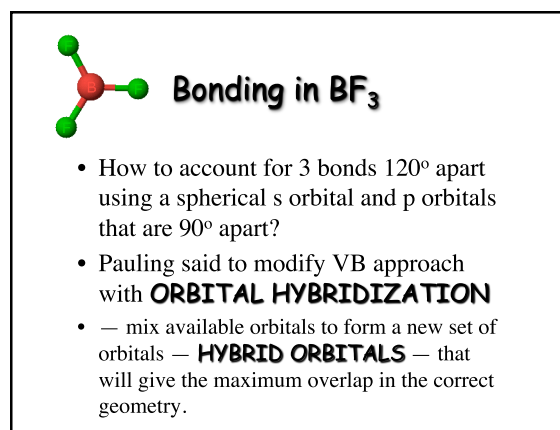
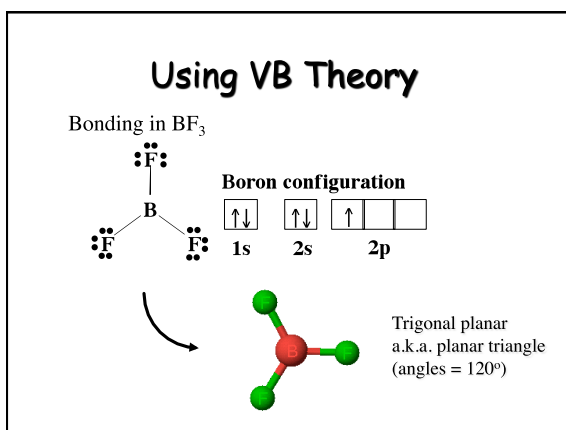
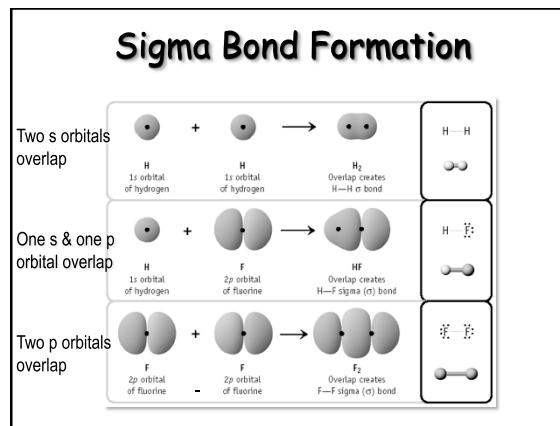
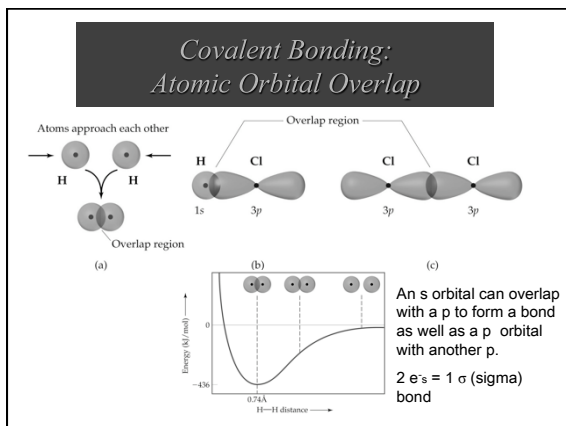
- **Orbital Mixing (Covalent Bonding)**
 - When atoms share electrons to form a bond, their atomic orbitals mix to form bonds. In order for these orbitals to mix they must:
 - Have similar energy levels.
 - Overlap well.
 - Be close together.

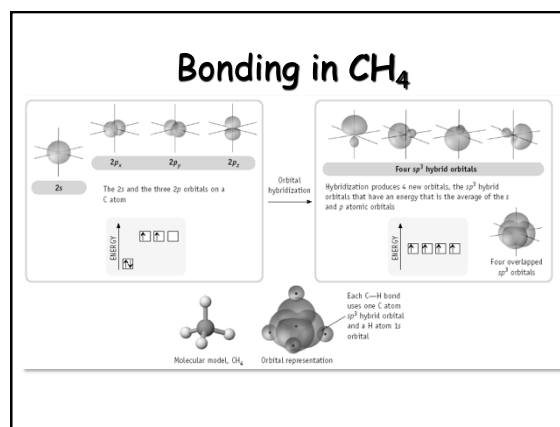
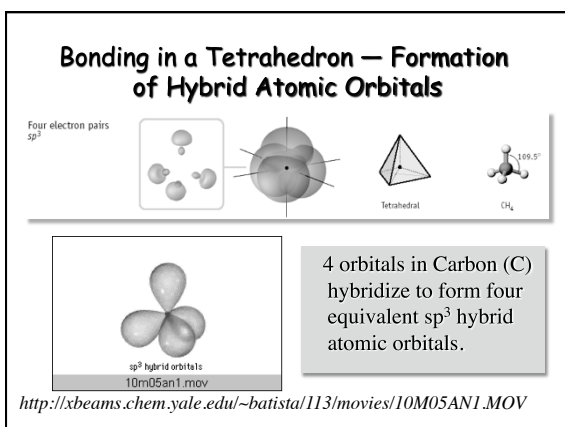
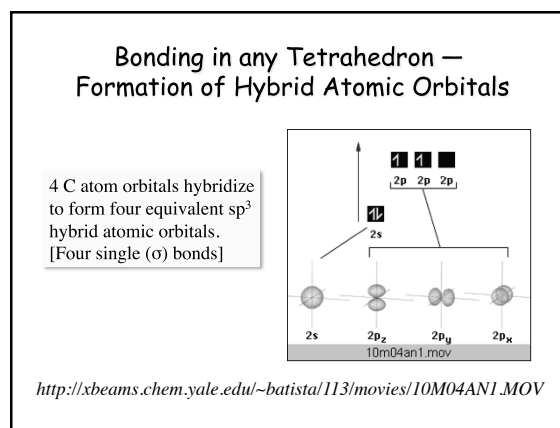
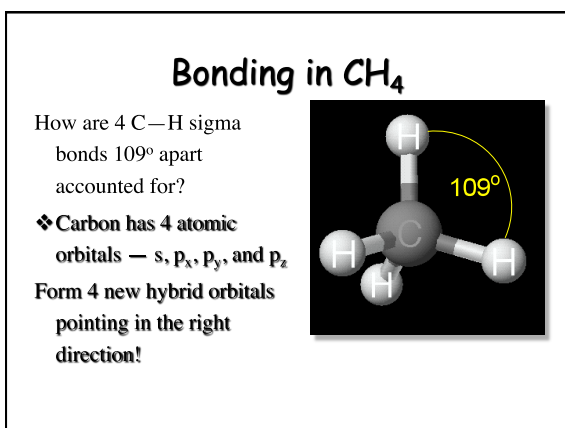
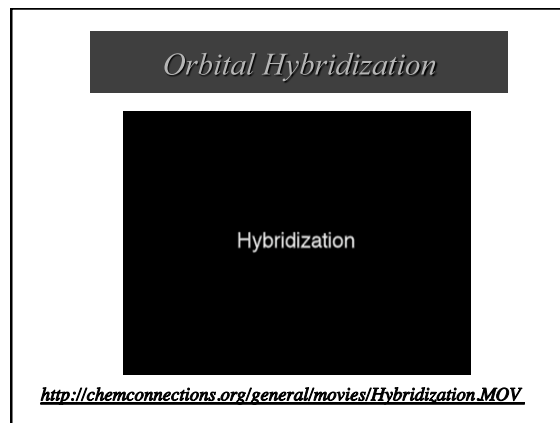
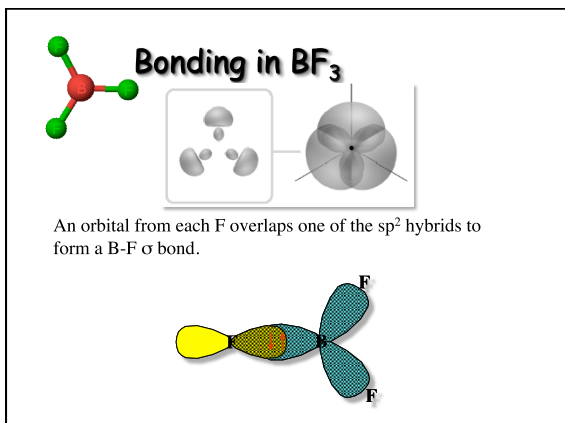


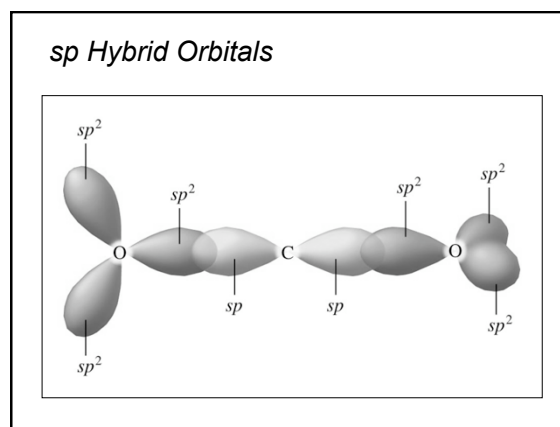
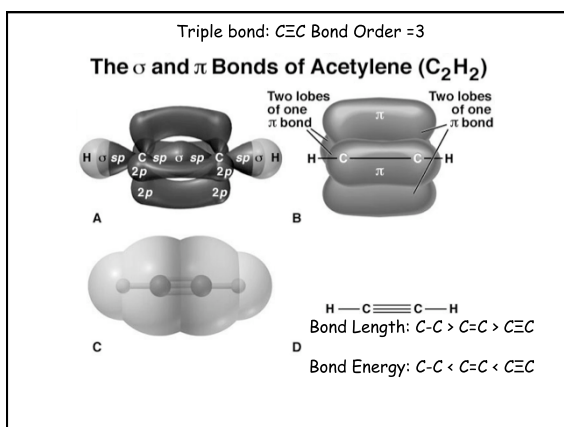
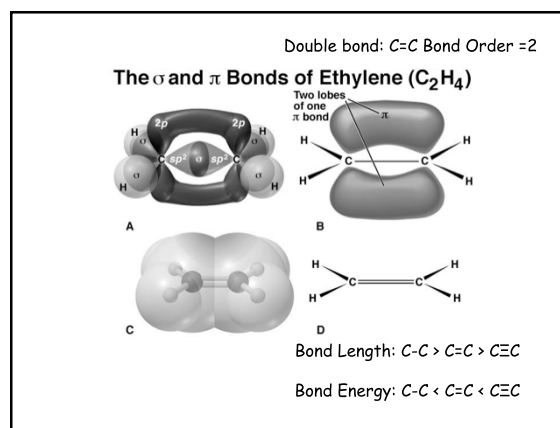
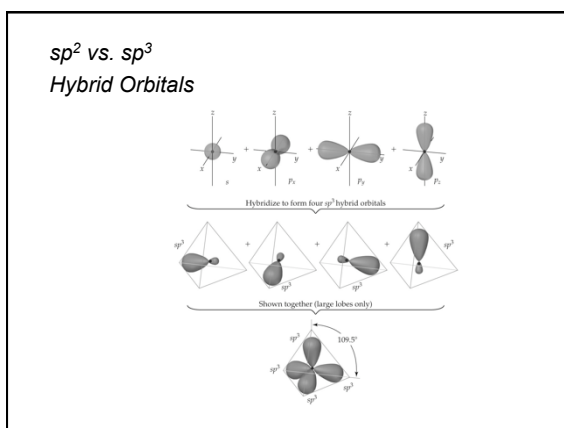
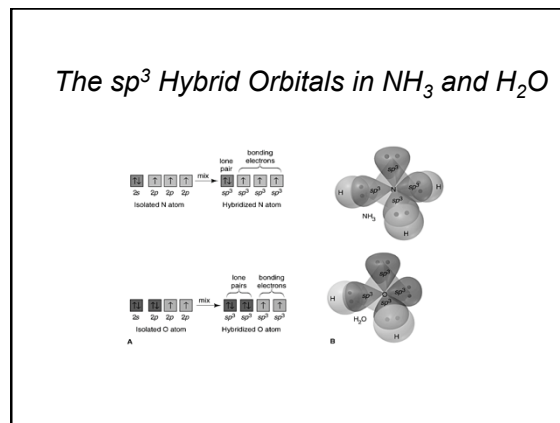
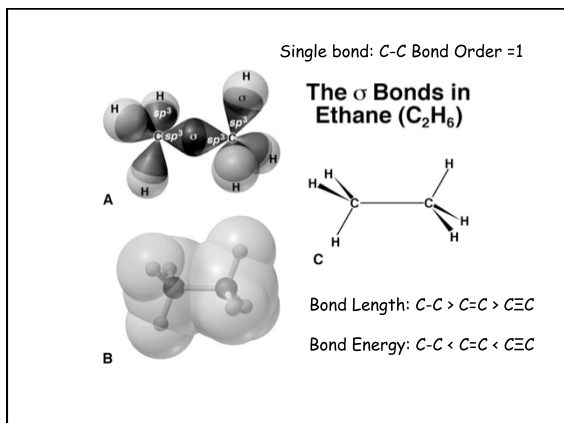
The two atoms share one valence electron each from their outer shell.

In this case both 1s orbitals overlap and share their valence electrons. $2e^- = 1 \sigma$ (sigma) bond

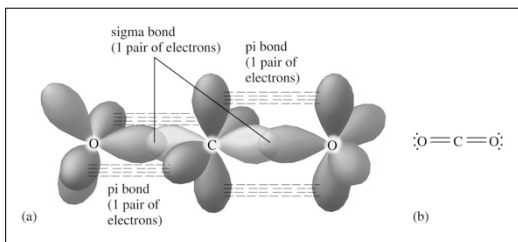
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sp Hybrid Orbitals



Orbital Hybridization

BONDS	SHAPE	HYBRID	REMAIN
2	linear	sp	2 p's
3	trigonal planar	sp ²	1 p
4	tetrahedral	sp ³	none

QUESTION

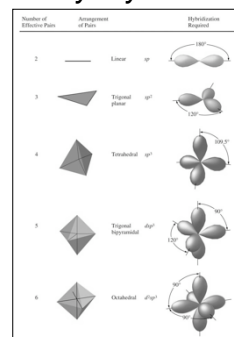
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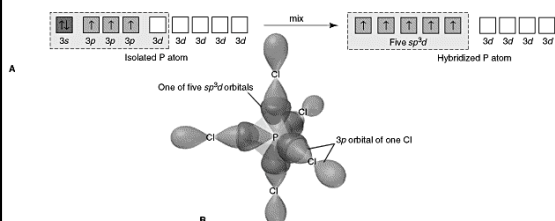
Draw the Lewis structure and answer the following: How many of the atoms are sp hybridized?

- A) 0
- B) 1
- C) 2
- D) 3
- E) 4

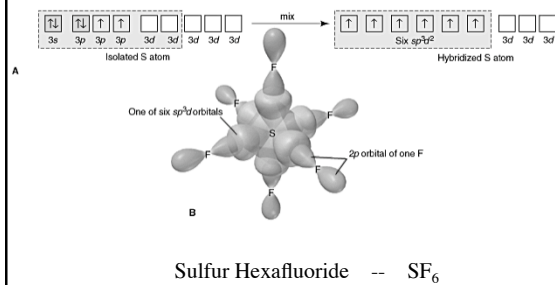
Summary: Hybrid Orbitals



The sp³d Hybrid Orbitals in PCl₅



The sp³d² Hybrid Orbitals in SF₆

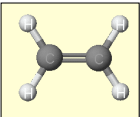


	Arrangement of Hybrid Orbitals	Geometric figure	Example
Two electron pairs sp		Linear	$BeCl_2$ 180°
Three electron pairs sp^2		Trigonal planar	BF_3 120°
Four electron pairs sp^3		Tetrahedral	CH_4 109.5°

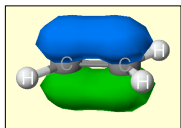
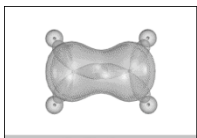
QUESTION

The bond angle formed between three carbon atoms in a compound is approximately 120° . Which of the following is the most likely type of hybridization for the middle carbon atom?

- A. sp
- B. sp^2
- C. sp^3
- D. sp^3d



Multiple Bonding in C_2H_4

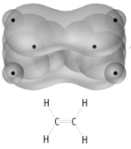



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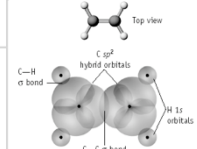
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σ and π Bonding in C_2H_4

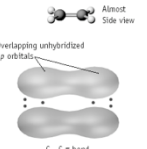
Double bond: $C=C$ Bond Order = 2



(a) Lewis structure and bonding of ethylene, C_2H_4 .



(b) The C-H σ bonds are formed by overlap of C sp^2 hybrid orbitals with H atom $1s$ orbitals. The σ bond between C atoms arises from overlap of sp^2 orbitals.

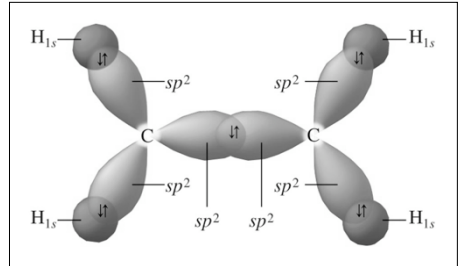


(c) The carbon-carbon π bond is formed by overlap of an unhybridized $2p$ orbital on each atom. Note the lack of electron density along the C-C bond axis.

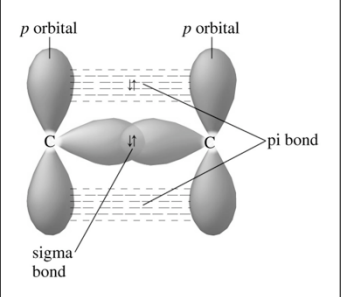
Bond Length: $C-C > C=C > C\equiv C$

Bond Energy: $C-C < C=C < C\equiv C$

The Sigma Bonds in Ethylene C_2H_4



Carbon-Carbon Double Bond Consists of a sigma and a pi Bond



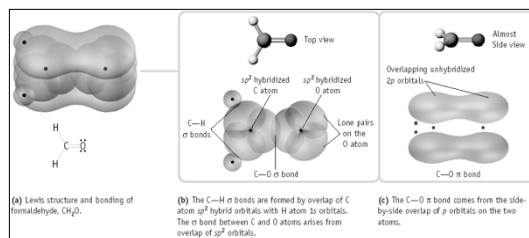
QUESTION

Atoms which are sp^2 hybridized form ____ pi bond(s).

- A) 0
- B) 1
- C) 2
- D) 3
- E) 4

σ and π Bonding in CH_2O

$C=O$ Bond Order = 2



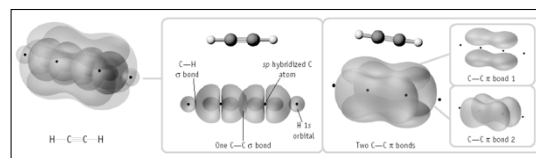
QUESTION

Formaldehyde and methanol both have a carbon to oxygen bond. Yet the oxygen atom in methanol, CH_3OH , can freely spin around without causing the C to move with it. In formaldehyde, CH_2O , any spin on the oxygen causes the C to spin with it. What type of hybridization and what consequence is found for the carbon in each of these useful compounds? (Hint examine the Lewis structures)

- A. Methanol— sp^3 ; formaldehyde— sp ; the unhybridized p orbitals get in the way of free rotation for the C to O bond.
- B. Methanol— sp^2 ; formaldehyde— sp^2 ; the unhybridized p orbital in methanol forms a new bond with the other three H atoms that allows the bond to be stronger and rotate on its own.
- C. Methanol— sp^3 ; formaldehyde— sp^2 ; the unhybridized p orbital of C in formaldehyde forms a bond with an oxygen p orbital to further lock their positions together.
- D. I don't see the connection here.

σ and π Bonding in C_2H_2

Triple bond: $C\equiv C$ Bond Order = 3



Bond Length: $C-C > C=C > C\equiv C$

Bond Energy: $C-C < C=C < C\equiv C$

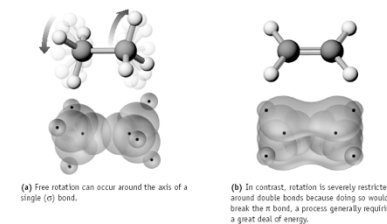
QUESTION

As the bond order of a bond increases, the bond energy _____ and the bond length _____.

- A) increases; increases
- B) decreases; decreases
- C) increases; decreases
- D) decreases; increases
- E) More information is needed to answer this question.

Consequences of Multiple Bonding

There is restricted rotation around $C=C$ bond.



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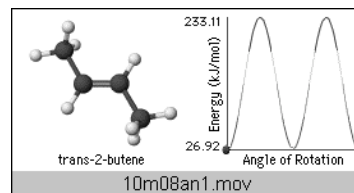
Unrestricted rotation around C-C bonds, "saturated" molecules.
Restricted rotation around C=C bonds, "unsaturated" molecules.



Saturated vs. Unsaturated Fats
Arterial Effects?

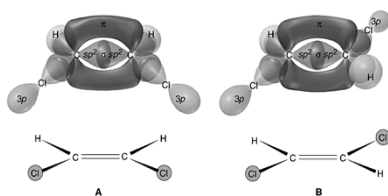
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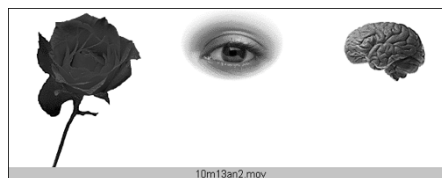
Restricted Rotation of π -Bonded Molecules: Isomers



A) cis -(Z) 1,2 dichloroethylene B) trans -(E) 1,2 dichloroethylene

<http://chemconnections.org/organic/chem227/227assign-10.html#vision>

Double Bonds and Vision



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See a [recent publication](#) on the underlying molecular rearrangements

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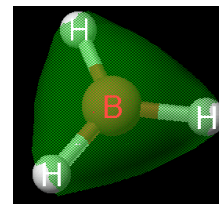
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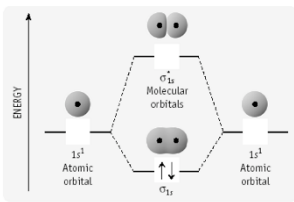
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Molecular Orbital Theory

- Valence electrons are delocalized in molecular orbitals spread over entire molecule.
- First Principle:** The total # of molecular orbitals equals the number of atomic orbitals contributed by the atoms that have combined.
- Second Principle:** The bonding molecular orbitals are lower in energy than the parents orbitals and the antibonding orbitals are higher in energy.
- Third Principle:** The electrons of the molecule are assigned to orbitals of successively higher energy according to the Pauli exclusion principle and Hund's rule.



Molecular Orbital Theory



1s¹ Atomic orbital

1s¹ Atomic orbital

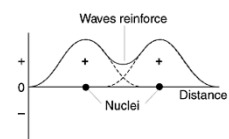
σ_{1s} Molecular orbitals

σ_{1s}^* Molecular orbitals

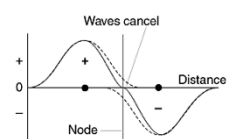
1. # MO^s = # atomic orbitals used.
2. Bonding MO is lower in energy than atomic orbitals. Antibonding MO is higher.
3. Electrons assigned to MO^s of higher and higher energy.

Bond order = $\frac{1}{2} [\# e^- \text{ in bonding MOs} - \# e^- \text{ in antibonding MOs}]$

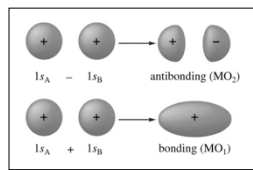
Analogy between Light Waves and Atomic Wave Functions



A Amplitudes of wave functions added



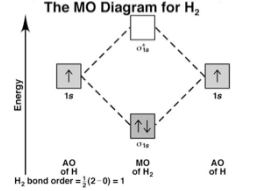
B Amplitudes of wave functions subtracted



$1s_A - 1s_B$ antibonding (MO_2)

$1s_A + 1s_B$ bonding (MO_1)

The MO Diagram for H₂



Energy

AO of H

MO of H₂

AO of H

H₂ bond order = $\frac{1}{2}(2 - 0) = 1$

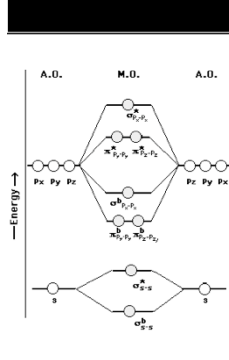
QUESTION

When comparing the M.O. theory of bonding to the Localized Electron model which of the following would be an incorrect claim?

- A. For a molecule of H₂; $MO_1 = 1s_A + 1s_B$; $MO_2 = 1s_A - 1s_B$
- B. The molecular orbitals (both bonding and antibonding) still have a maximum electron occupancy of two just as the localized orbitals.
- C. In H₂, the bonding orbital (MO_1) is lower in energy than the 1s orbital of hydrogen.
- D. Although not used in the molecular bonding, the 1s orbital of hydrogen is present.

Molecular Orbital Theory

Constructing Molecular Orbitals



A.O.

M.O.

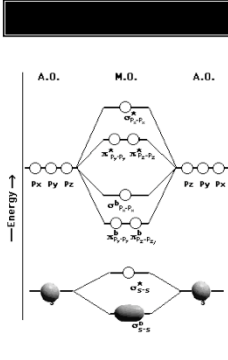
A.O.

Energy

Molecular orbitals are formed via combination of atomic orbitals. When "n" atomic orbitals combine, there is the formation of "n" molecular orbitals. When six "p" atomic orbitals combine, three bonding (b) and three anti-bonding (*) molecular orbitals are formed.

Molecular Orbital Theory

Constructing Molecular Orbitals



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Energy

"In phase" combination

$$s + s = \sigma_{s-s}^b$$

Homo: Highest Occupied Molecular Orbital

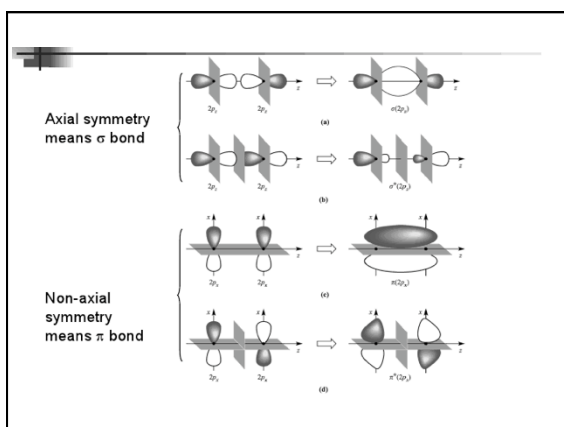
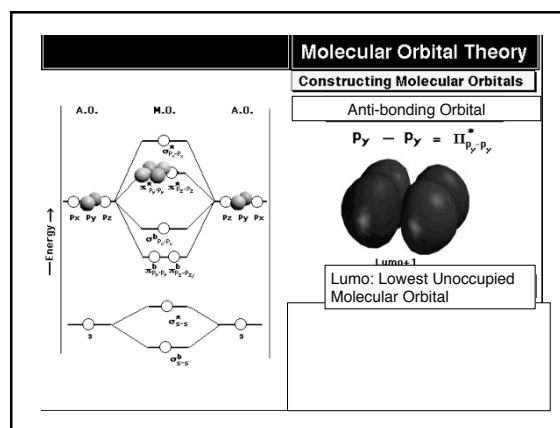
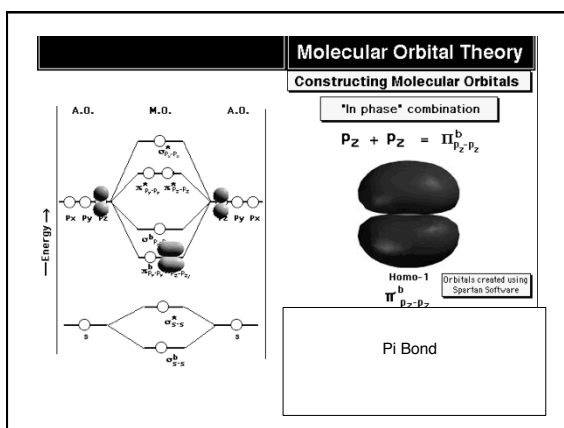
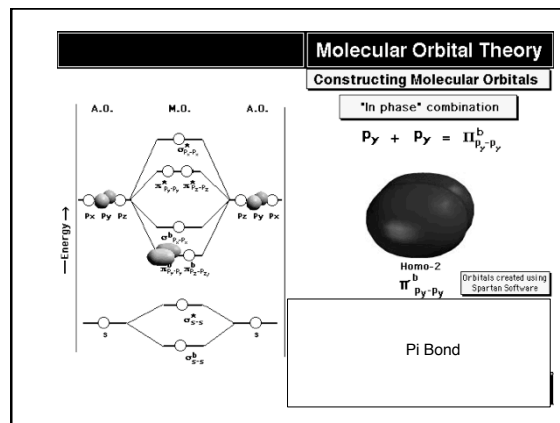
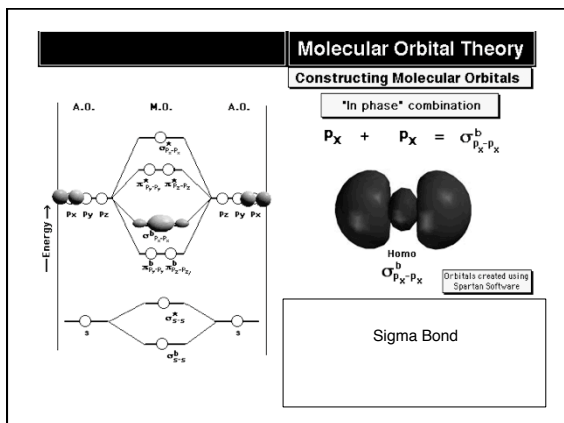


Homo-4

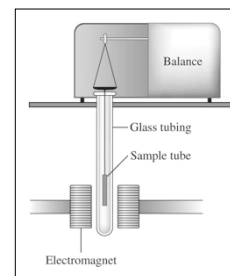
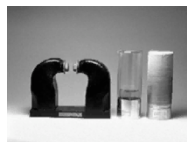
σ_{2s-2s}^b

Sigma Bond

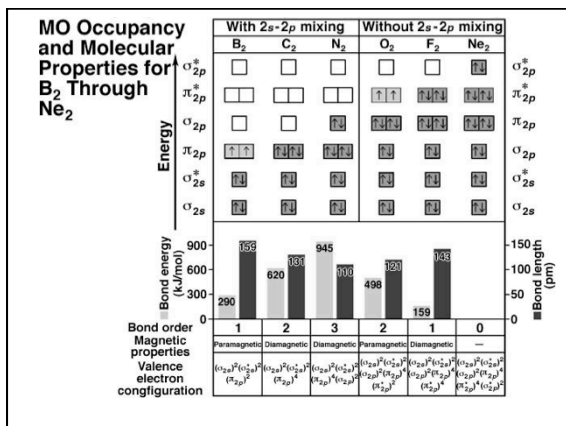
Orbitals created using Spartan Software



Apparatus Used to Measure Paramagnetism
NOTE: O_2 is paramagnetic;
Why?



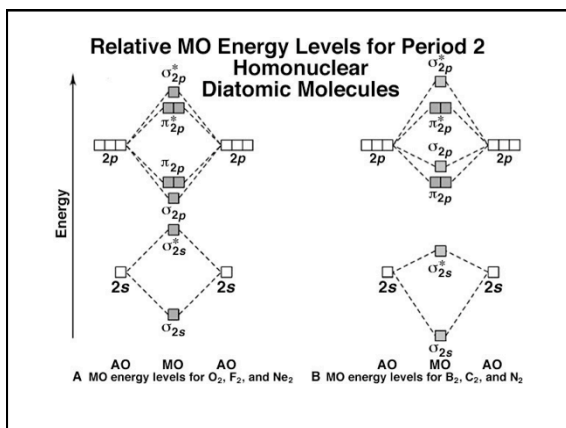
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QUESTION

The carbon monoxide molecule can bond to hemoglobin, causing severe oxygen shortages in humans, at a rate up to 200 times faster than oxygen. What is the bond order and magnetic characteristic of CO?

- A. Three; diamagnetic
- B. Two; diamagnetic
- C. Three; paramagnetic
- D. Two paramagnetic



Quantum Mechanics: Molecular Orbital Theory

Quantum mechanics describes the energy in terms of interactions among nuclei and electrons. This is given by the Schrödinger equation.

The Schrödinger equation may be solved exactly for the hydrogen atom.

$$H\Psi = E\Psi$$

H = Hamiltonian

H is an operator corresponding to the total energy of the system.

Kinetic + potential energy

$$\left(\frac{-\hbar^2}{8\pi^2m} \nabla^2 + V(x,y,z) \right) \psi(x,y,z) = E \psi(x,y,z)$$

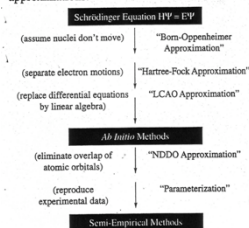
kinetic energy potential energy total energy
w/ wavefunction describing the system

Its solutions are very familiar to chemists as atomic orbitals.



Quantum Mechanics: Molecular Orbital Theory

While the Schrödinger equation may easily be written down for real atoms and molecules, it is impossible to solve. It can be simplified by several approximations.



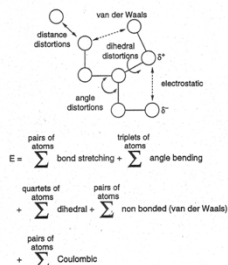
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Molecular Mechanics

Molecular mechanics describes the energy in terms of distortions of bond distances and angles away from idealized values, together with corrections for nonbonded interactions.

The cost of calculations (cpu time required) increases rapidly as the basis set size is increased and as the amount of electron correlation increases.



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- *Web MO:* undergraduate molecular modeling college consortium
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- Uses MOPAC 7, GAMESS 2000, and GAUSSIAN

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Output:

- ❖ Dipole moment
- ❖ Bond Orders
- ❖ Partial Charges
- ❖ Vibrational Modes
- ❖ Molecular Orbitals
- ❖ Ultraviolet-Visible-Infrared Graphics
- ❖ NMR Chemical Shifts