# 2.7 VSEPR & Hybridization

- VSEPR Theory
- Molecular Shape
- Polar and Non-polar Molecules
- Hybrid Orbitals



## **VSEPR** Theory

- Charge clouds (centers) repel each other due to Coulombic forces.
- Terminal atoms move as far away from one another as possible.
- Distinctive geometric shapes result.

Valence Shell Electron Pair Repulsion Theory



# **VSEPR** Theory

- central atom.
- 2. Predict the shape.

(FLASH CARDS)

### **Two Step Process**

### 1. Count the number of charge clouds, bonds and lone pairs around the

### a. 13 shapes which you must know by name and the bond angles

### **VSEPR Theory**

### Charge Clouds (Centers)

- One single bond (2 electrons)
- One double bond (4 electrons)
- One triple bond (6 electrons)
- One lone pair (2 electrons)
- One single unpaired electron

### One Bond

- single bond (2 electrons)
- double bond (4 electrons)
- triple bond (6 electrons)

### **Lone Pairs**

- 1 lone pair = 2 electrons
- 1 single unpaired electron

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Charge Clouds	Bonds	Lone Pairs	Sł
2	2	0	Li

# Clouds (CO<sub>2</sub>) Bond Angle = $180^{\circ}$ nape inear





Charge Clouds	Bonds	Lone Pairs	Sh
3	2	1	Be



Charge Clouds	Bonds	Lone Pairs	Sha
3	3	0	Trig Pla

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Charge Clouds	Bonds	Lone Pairs	Sh
4	4	0	Tetra





# 4 Charge Clouds (NH<sub>3</sub>) Lone Pair H Ideal Bond Angle = 109.5°

Charge Clouds	Bonds	Lone Pairs	Sh
4	3	1	Trig Pyra

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# ... • Lone Pairs

Charge Clouds	Bonds	Lone Pairs	Sh
4	2	2	B



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Charge Clouds	Bonds	Lone Pairs	Sha
5	5	0	Trig Bipyra

## 5 Charge Clouds (PCl<sub>5</sub>)



:F:   :S.   :F:	5 F:		
Charge Clouds	Bonds	Lone Pairs	Sh
5	4	1	See





Charge Clouds	Bonds	Lone Pairs	Sha
5	3	2	T-sha



Charge Clouds	Bonds	Lone Pairs	Sh
5	2	3	Lin





Charge Clouds	Bonds	Lone Pairs	Sh
6	6	0	Octal



Charge Clouds	Bonds	Lone Pairs	Sha
6	5	1	Squ Pyrai

### 6 Charge Clouds (IF<sub>5</sub>)



## 6 Charge Clouds (XeF<sub>4</sub>)



Charge Clouds	Bonds	Lone Pairs	Sha
6	4	2	Squ Pla

### Bond Angle = 90



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Xe

### **Compounds with Multiple Central Atoms**

- 1. Look at each central atom on its own.
  - everything it's bonded to is considered to be a terminal atom.
- 2. Count the charge clouds and bonds around it.
- 3. Predict the shape around it.
- 4. Isolate the next central atom and repeat steps 1 through 3.



- The atomic orbitals around the central atom in a molecule must hybridize in order for bonding to occur.
- There are 3 types of hybrid orbitals (and bond angles) that you must know.

Charge Clouds	Determining Hybridization	Hybridization	Ideal Bond Angle
4	s + p + p + p	sp <sup>3</sup>	109.5°
3	s + p + p	sp <sup>2</sup>	120°
2	s + p	sp	180°

### Hybrid Orbitals



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# $\begin{array}{c} \text{Triple Bonds (C_2H_2)} \\ H - C \equiv C - H \end{array}$

sp

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## σ-Bond & π-Bond Energy

sp<sup>2</sup>

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p

sp<sup>2</sup>

 $sp^2$ 

Sigma and pi bonds involve the overlapping of atomic orbitals.

 $\pi$  Bond

p

sp<sup>2</sup>

sp<sup>2</sup>

sp<sup>2</sup>

 $\sigma$  Bond

Sigma bonds contain more bond energy, as the overlap between orbitals is stronger.

### Extended π-Bonding (Benzene, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>)



- Alternating single and double bonds that move.
- Each p-orbital can overlap with 2 different p-orbitals.
- Results in <u>delocalization</u> of electrons used to explain resonance in Lewis structures.

- element in the chemical bond.
- the less electronegative element a slightly positive charge.



### **Bond Polarity**

Shared electrons spend more time around the most electronegative

• Gives the more electronegative element a slightly negative charge and

Greater electronegativity values lead to greater partial charges and greater bond dipoles.



• If a molecule is polar, it must have a dipole moment, u.

Q = absolute value of the net partial charge at each end of a moleculer = distance between positive and negative poles of a molecule.

- To know if a molecule is polar:
  - you must know if the bonds are polar
  - you must know the overall shape of the molecule

 $\mu = Q \times r$ 



### • Polar - bond dipoles do not cancel, so the molecule has a dipole moment

For polar molecules consisting ot two atoms, the partial negative charge on the more electronegative atom is always equal in magnitude to the partial positive charge on the less electronegative atom.



 Non-Polar - Two polar C=O bon cancel. No dipole moment



### • Non-Polar - Two polar C=O bonds are symmetrical so bond dipoles

Polar - Two polar bonds asymmetry oxygen. Dipoles do not cancel.

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Polar - Two polar bonds asymmetrically arranged around the central

### **Diatomic Molecules**

- Two diatomic molecules that contain atoms from the same group in the same proportions:
  - will have the same shape will both be either polar or non-polar.
- This can help chemists design new materials.
  - Replacing an element from one group with another from the same group could lead to a new substance with similar properties.
  - SiO<sub>2</sub> can be used to make ceramics. SnO<sub>2</sub> might work just as well or better.