

# *Chapter 5: The Chemical Bond*

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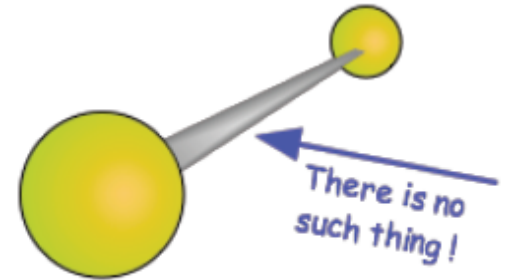
**Electronegativity**

**Theory of hybrid orbitals (1928-)**

**Hybrids derived from atomic s- and p orbitals**

## What is a chemical bond?

Claim: chemical bonds are what hold atoms together to form the more complicated aggregates that we know as molecules and extended solids



It is more useful to regard a **chemical bond** as an **effect** that causes certain atoms to join together **to form enduring structures** that have **unique physical and chemical properties**.

**Most important 1:** chemical bonding occurs when one or more **electrons are simultaneously attracted to two nuclei**.

**Most important 2:** A chemical bond between two atoms forms if the **resulting arrangement** of the two nuclei and their electrons **has a lower energy** than the **total energy of the separate atoms**.

## What is a molecule?

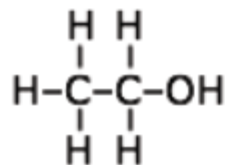
A molecule is an aggregate of atoms that possesses **distinctive observable properties**

A more **restrictive definition distinguishes** between a "true" molecule that exists as an independent particle, and an **extended solid** that can only be represented by its simplest formula.

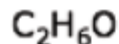
**chemical species is defined by its structure.**

The structure of a molecule is specified by the identity of its constituent atoms and the **sequence** in which **they are joined together**, that is, by the **bonding connectivity**. This, in turn, defines the **bonding geometry**— the **spatial relationship** between the bonded atoms.

**structural formulas reveal** the very **different connectivities**



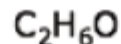
ethanol



**bond angle**

**bond length**

dimethyl ether



## **Chemical bond:**

- **Chemical bonding refers to the force that holds the chemical molecules or atoms together.**
- **Strength of the bond varies considerably, depends on the molecules or atoms involved in the process of bond formation.**

## **Classes of chemical bonds in biological science:**

**1) Covalent bonds**

**2) Non-covalent bonds:**

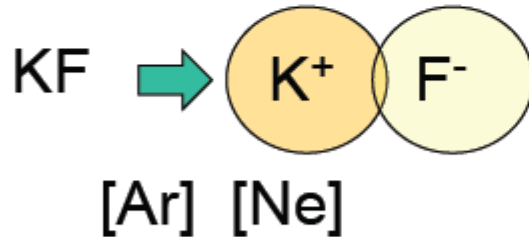
**Ionic - Hydrogen - Hydrophobic - Van der waals bonds**

# Classical models of chemical bonding

In essence - electrostatic considerations

- ionic bond +

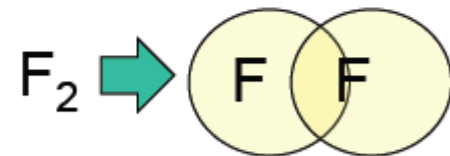
Walther Kossel, 1915, German



electron configuration  
of noble (rare) gases

covalent bonding

Gilbert Newton Lewis,  
1916, USA



$\delta^-$  polar covalent  $\delta^+$

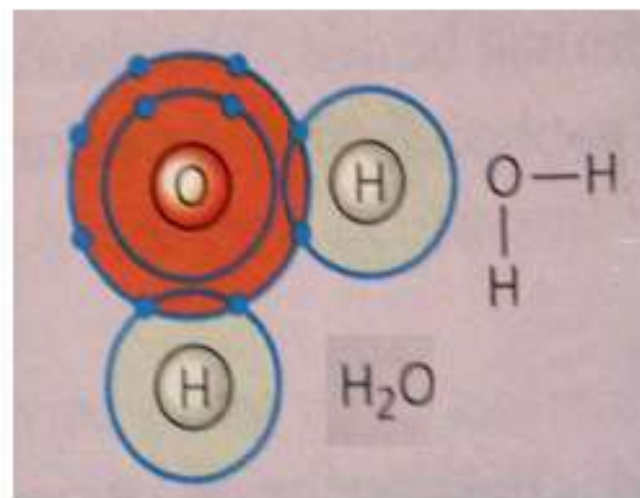
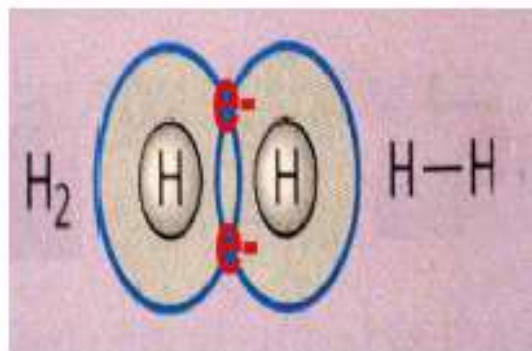
## **The Covalent bond:**

- **The covalent bond is a bond formed between two atoms by electron sharing. (usually formed between two non-metal atoms by sharing electron pairs).**
- **Covalent Bonds are the strongest chemical bonds, formed by the sharing of a pair of electrons.**
- **The energy of a typical single covalent bond is ~80 kilocalories per mole (kcal/mol). However, this bond energy can vary from ~50 kcal/mol to ~110 kcal/mol depending on the elements involved.**
- **Once formed, covalent bonds rarely break spontaneously.**

- In a single bond, one electron pair is shared.
- In double bond, two electron pairs are shared.
- In triple bond, three electron pairs are shared.

For example:

### Single bond

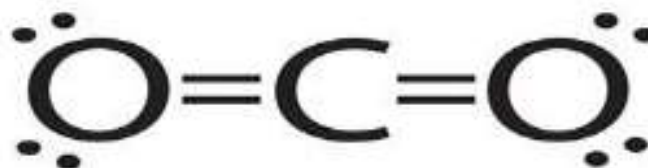




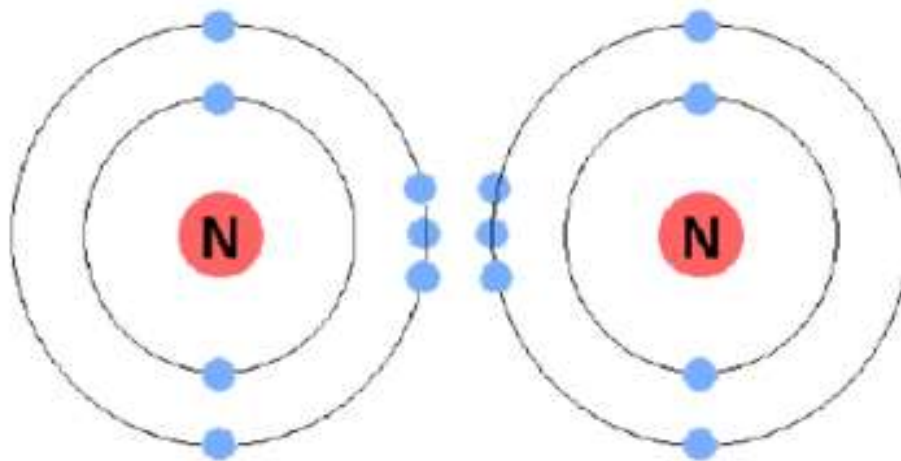
## Double bond



Carbon Dioxide Molecule ( $\text{CO}_2$ )



## Triple bond

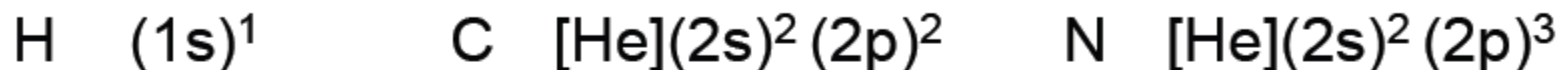


# Covalent bond - Lewis model

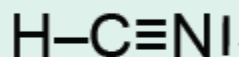
Shared electron pair – a unit of the covalent bond



Number of shared electron pairs – valency



valency: H: 1    C: 4    N: 3



non-bonding (lone) electron pair

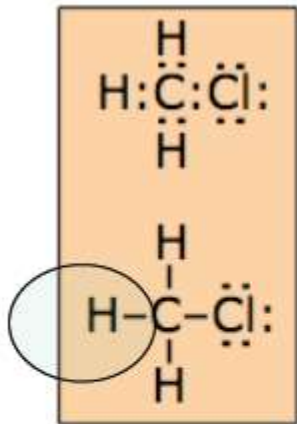
Lewis (electronic) structural formulas

# (8-electron) octet rule

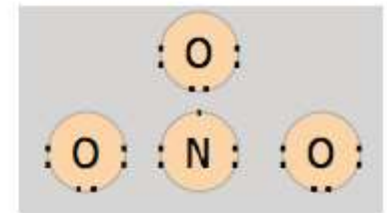
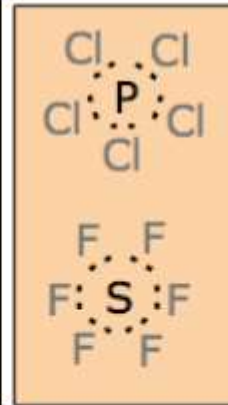
## valence electron configuration of noble gases

– exceptions

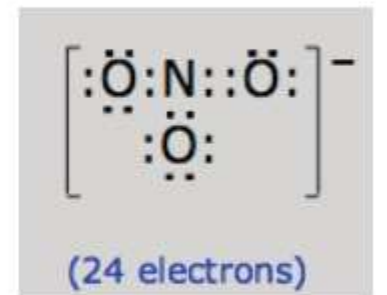
rule not always appropriate



[He] with **d** and **f** orbitals the valency is increased - **hypervalence**

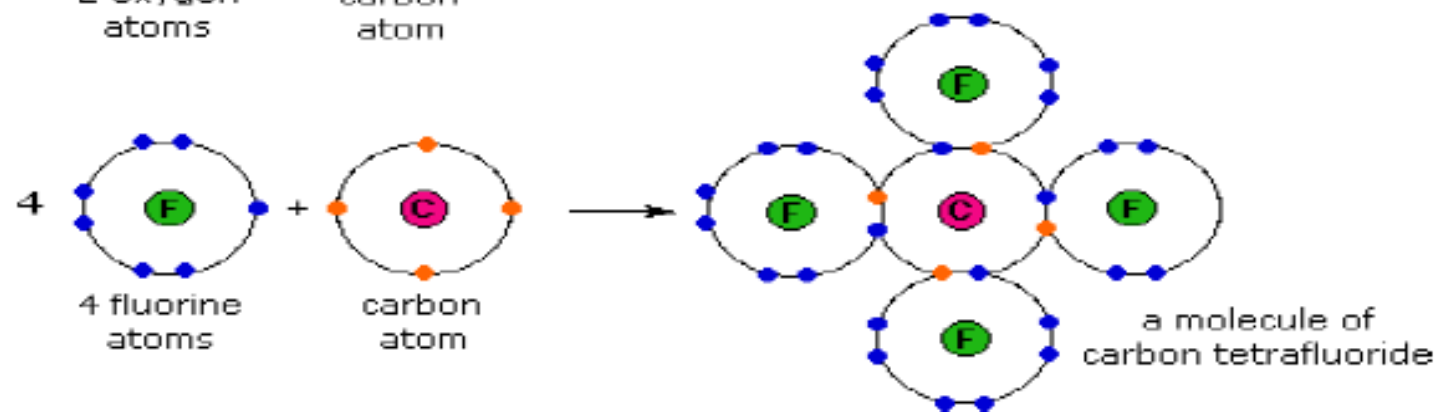
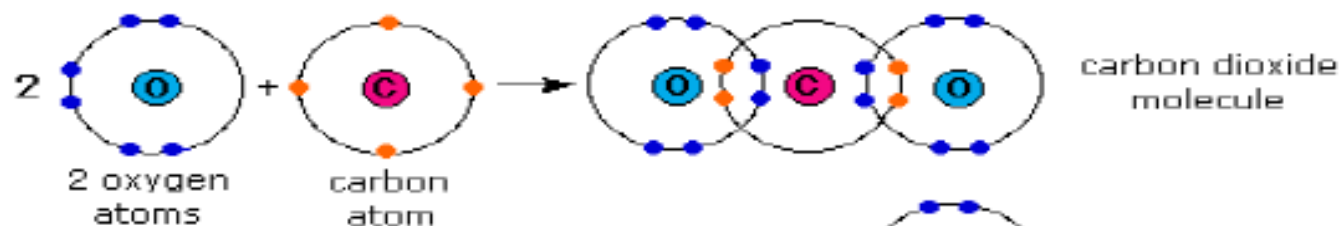
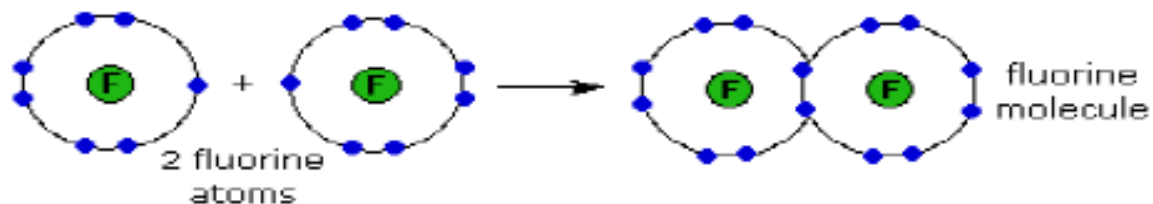
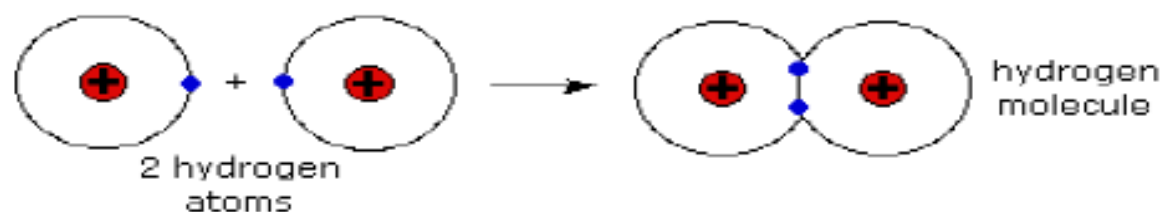


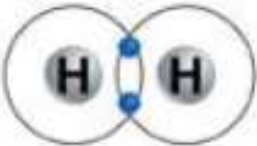
+ 1 electron



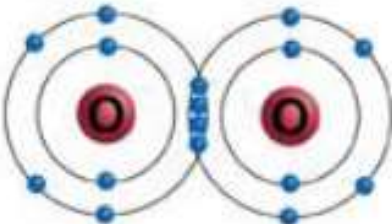
# Covalent bonding occurs by a sharing of valence electrons:

## Examples of covalent bonding:

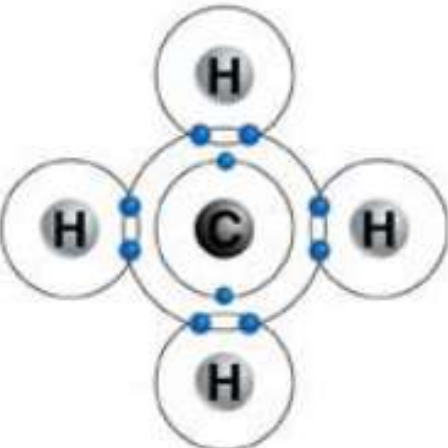


Electron Model	Structural Formula	Molecular Formula
	H-H	H <sub>2</sub>

a. Hydrogen gas

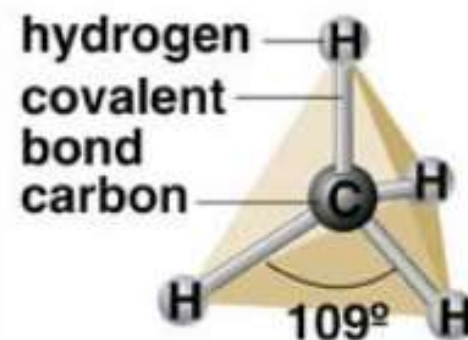
	O=O	O <sub>2</sub>
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b. Oxygen gas

	$\begin{array}{c} \text{H} \\   \\ \text{H}-\text{C}-\text{H} \\   \\ \text{H} \end{array}$	CH <sub>4</sub>
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c. Methane

### Ball-and-stick Model



### Space-filling Model



d. Methane, cont'd.

## Covalent bond - Lewis model

does not explain the nature of „bonding“ orbitals

„implicitly“ works with localized (unchanged) atomic orbitals

Limitation to two-center bonds

does not explain the geometric structure of molecules

Lewis model does not explain the structure!

## VSEPR model – 1960 Ronald Gillespie

Valence-Shell Electron-Pair Repulsion

Regions of high electron density

bond

lone pair

rule: multiple bond is a single region



rule: any of the resonant structures can be used

geometric structure is determined by the repulsion of these regions!

## **Types of covalent bonds:**

- 1) Non-polar covalent bond.**
- 2) polar covalent bond.**

### **1) Non-polar covalent bond**

- It is a covalent bond in which electrons are shared equally between two atoms.**
- Non-polar covalent bonds are formed, when the sharing atoms have the same electronegativity  so the electrons are shared equally.**
-  Electron cloud is not displaced**



## Example

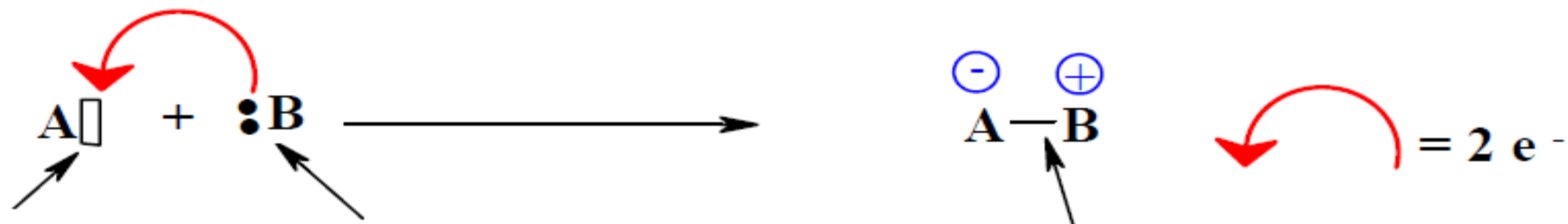
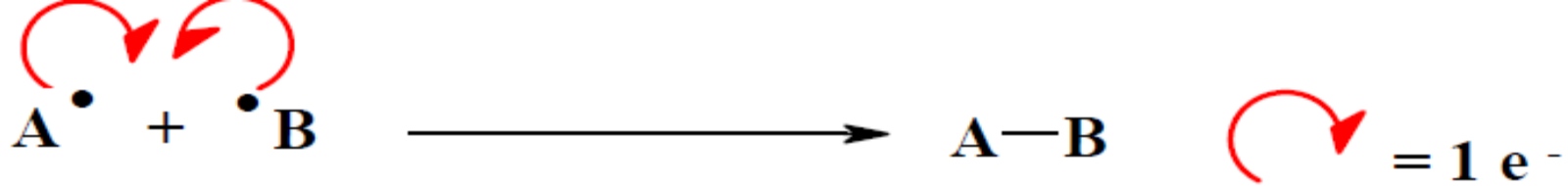
Covalent bonds that are formed between identical atoms, as in oxygen gas ( $O_2$ ) and hydrogen gas ( $H_2$ ),  $Cl_2$

[Since the electrons are equally shared between the two identical atoms, these molecules are said to be nonpolar and the bonds between them are nonpolar covalent bonds].




A nonpolar covalent bond





## 2) Polar covalent bond

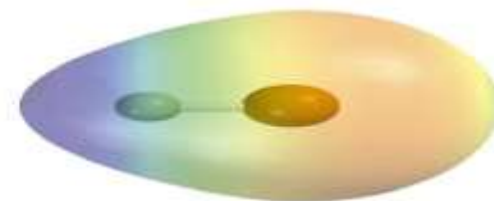
A type of covalent bond between two different atoms in which electrons are shared unequally. The shared electrons tend to be pulled more toward one atom than the other (because of electronegativity)  and results on partial charges on the atom (i.e one end of the molecule has a slightly negative charge and the other a slightly positive charge).

### Example

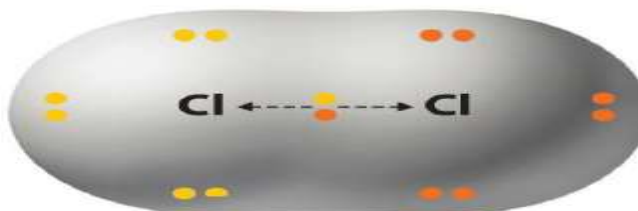
bond between the two atoms H and Cl



A polar covalent bond.  
The bonding electrons are attracted more strongly by Cl than by H.



(a)



### Nonpolar covalent bond

Bonding electrons shared equally between two atoms.  
No charges on atoms.

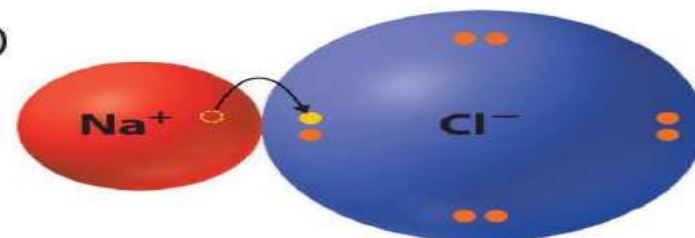
(b)



### Polar covalent bond

Bonding electrons shared unequally between two atoms.  
Partial charges on atoms.

(c)



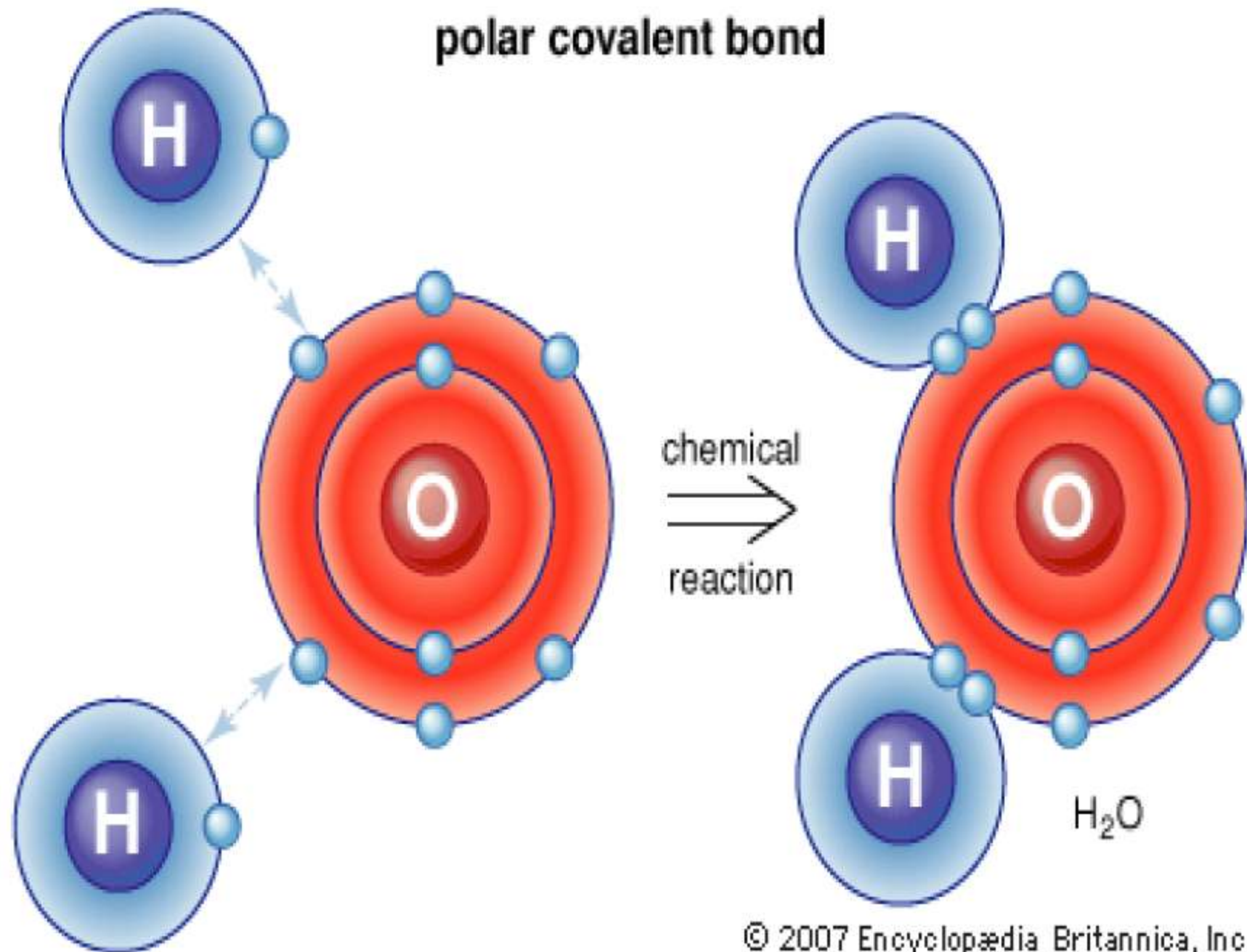
### Ionic bond

Complete transfer of one or more valence electrons.  
Full charges on resulting ions.

**Note:** Atoms of oxygen, nitrogen and phosphorus have a particularly strong tendency to pull electrons toward themselves when they bond with other atoms.

- Water is the most abundant molecule in the body and serves as the solvent for body fluids.
- Water is a good example because it is polar; the oxygen atom pulls electrons from the two hydrogens toward its side of the water molecule, so that the oxygen side is more negatively charged than the hydrogen side of the molecule.

# polar covalent bond



polar covalent bond

polar covalent bond

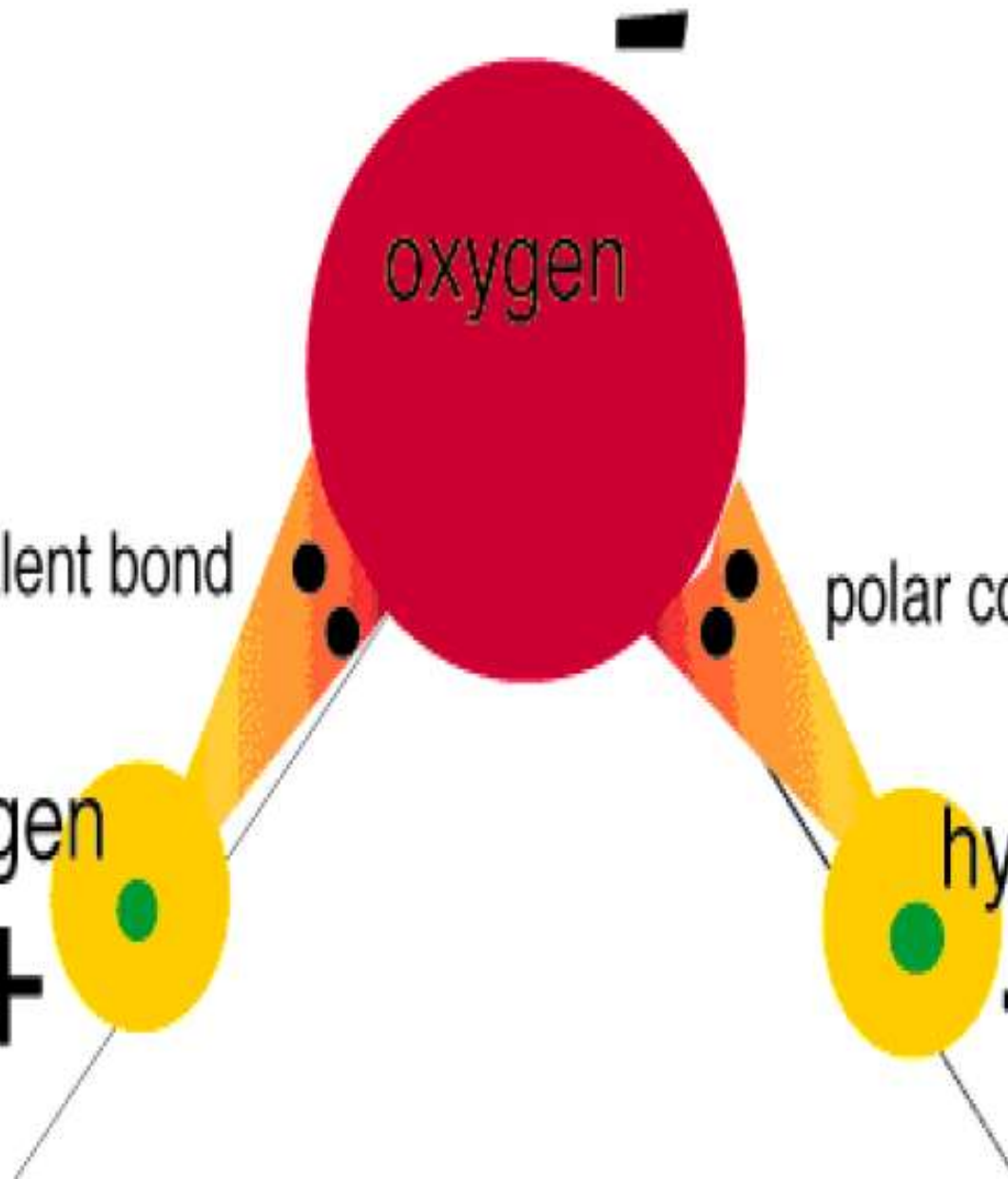
hydrogen

hydrogen

+

+

oxygen

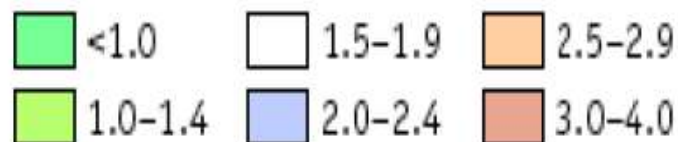


# Electronegativity and bond type

## Electronegativity

- **Electronegativity is a measure of the tendency of an atom to attract a bonding pair of electrons.**
- **The difference in electronegativity's of two elements can be used to predict the nature of the chemical bond.**
  - **If the difference in electronegativity's is between:**
    - 1.7 to 4.0: Ionic**
    - 0.3 to 1.7: Polar Covalent**
    - 0.0 to 0.3: Non-Polar Covalent**

1A		2A												3A	4A	5A	6A	7A
Li 1.0	Be 1.5											B 2.0	C 2.5	N 3.0	O 3.5	F 4.0		
Na 0.9	Mg 1.2	3B	4B	5B	6B	7B	8B			1B	2B	Al 1.5	Si 1.8	P 2.1	S 2.5	Cl 3.0		
K 0.8	Ca 1.0	Sc 1.3	Ti 1.5	V 1.6	Cr 1.6	Mn 1.5	Fe 1.8	Co 1.8	Ni 1.8	Cu 1.9	Zn 1.6	Ga 1.6	Ge 1.8	As 2.0	Se 2.4	Br 2.8		
Rb 0.8	Sr 1.0	Y 1.2	Zr 1.4	Nb 1.6	Mo 1.8	Tc 1.9	Ru 2.2	Rh 2.2	Pd 2.2	Ag 1.9	Cd 1.7	In 1.7	Sn 1.8	Sb 1.9	Te 2.1	I 2.5		
Cs 0.7	Ba 0.9	La 1.1	Hf 1.3	Ta 1.5	W 1.7	Re 1.9	Os 2.2	Ir 2.2	Pt 2.2	Au 2.4	Hg 1.9	Tl 1.8	Pb 1.8	Bi 1.9	Po 2.0	At 2.2		



**Figure 9.9** Electronegativity values for the elements according to Pauling. Trends for electronegativities are the opposite of the trends defining metallic character. Nonmetals have high values of electronegativity, the metalloids have intermediate values, and the metals have low values.



## Example

Na Cl

Na = 0.9, Cl = 3.0




Difference in electronegativity ( $\Delta EN$ ) is 2.1, so



this is an ionic bond

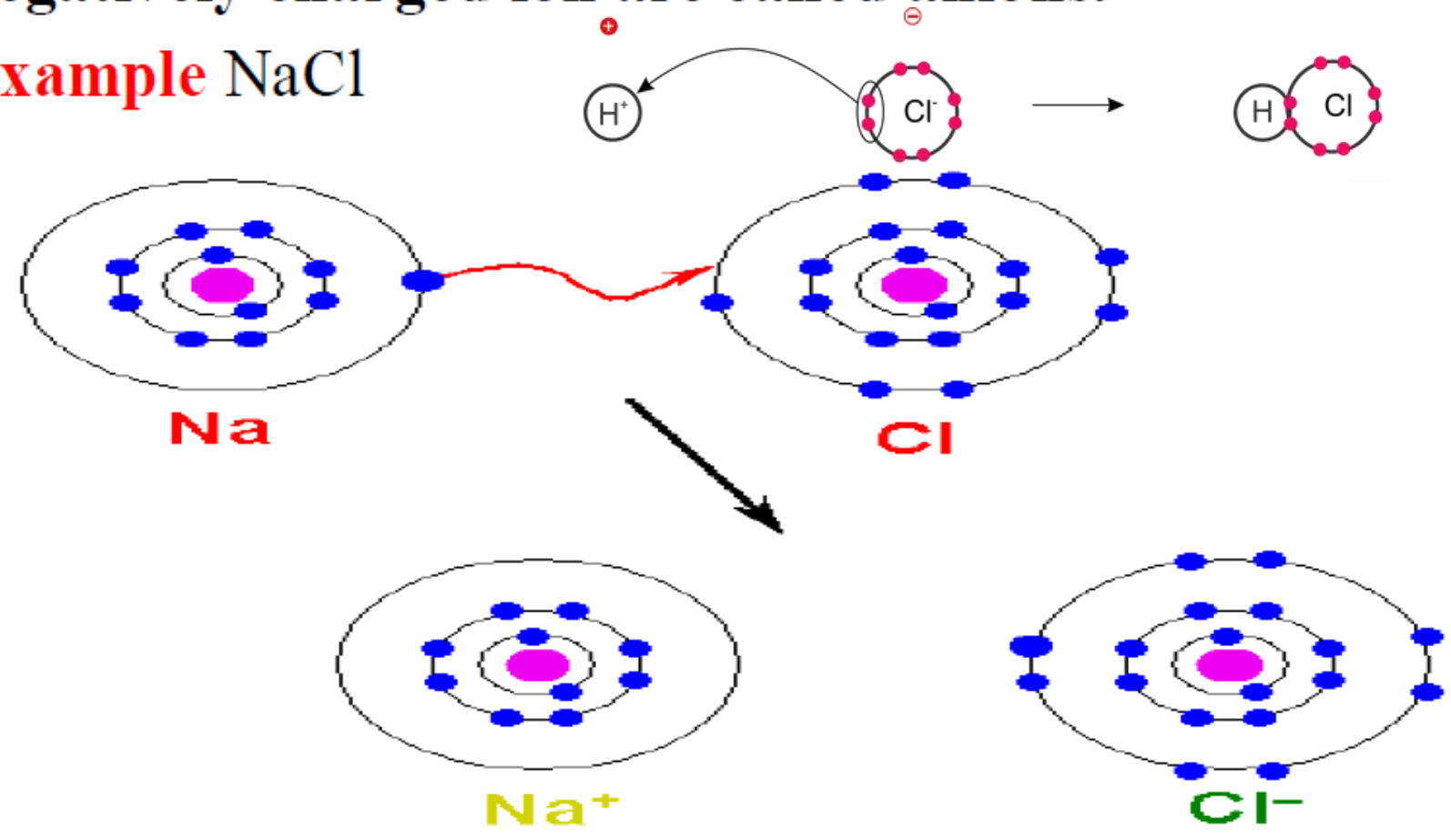
### Ionic bond

Ionic bond result when one or more valence electrons from one atom are completely transferred to a second atom. Thus, the electrons are not shared at all.

- The first atom loses electrons  so that its number of electrons become smaller than its number of protons  it becomes a positively charged ion.
- The second atom now has more electrons than it has protons  and becomes a negatively charged ion.

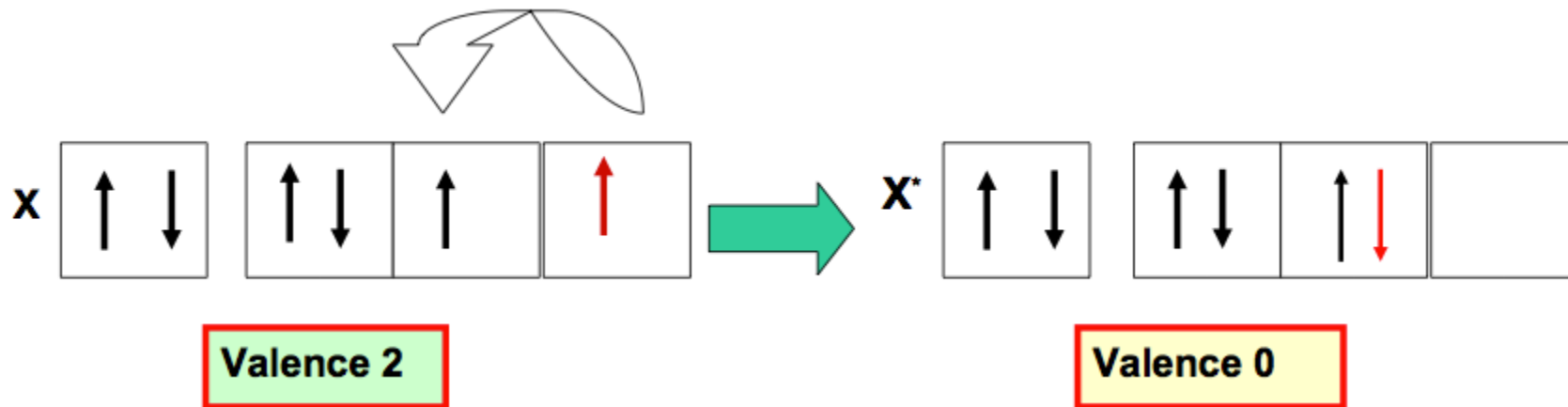
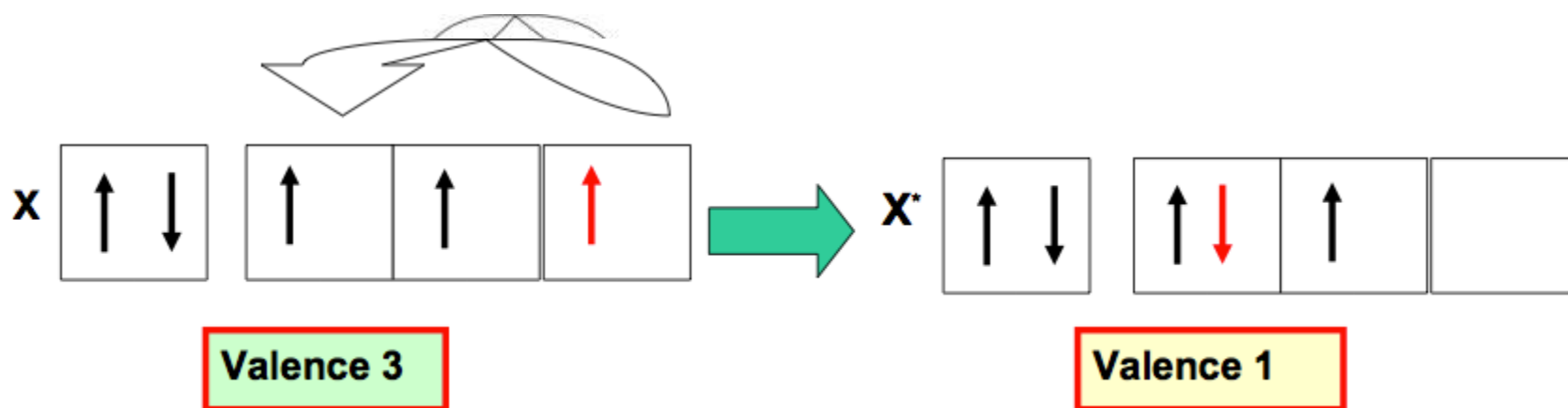
- Atoms that has positive or negative charges are called **ions**
- Positively charged ions are called **cations**.
- Negatively charged ion are called **anions**.




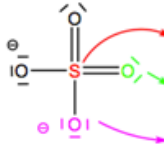
**Example** NaCl



## Classification périodique réduite

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		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>K</b>	1	$\overset{\cdot}{\text{H}}$							He
<b>L</b>	2	$\overset{\cdot}{\text{Li}}$	$\overset{\cdot}{\text{Be}} \cdot$	$\cdot \overset{\cdot}{\text{B}} \cdot$	$\cdot \overset{\cdot}{\text{C}} \cdot$	$\overset{\cdot}{\text{N}} \cdot$	$\overset{\cdot}{\text{O}} \cdot$	$\overset{\cdot}{\text{F}} \cdot$	$\overset{\cdot}{\text{Ne}}$
<b>M</b>	3	$\overset{\cdot}{\text{Na}}$	$\overset{\cdot}{\text{Mg}} \cdot$	$\cdot \overset{\cdot}{\text{Al}} \cdot$	$\cdot \overset{\cdot}{\text{Si}} \cdot$	$\overset{\cdot}{\text{P}} \cdot$	$\overset{\cdot}{\text{S}} \cdot$	$\overset{\cdot}{\text{Cl}} \cdot$	$\overset{\cdot}{\text{Ar}}$
<b>N</b>	4	$\overset{\cdot}{\text{K}}$	$\overset{\cdot}{\text{Ca}} \cdot$						


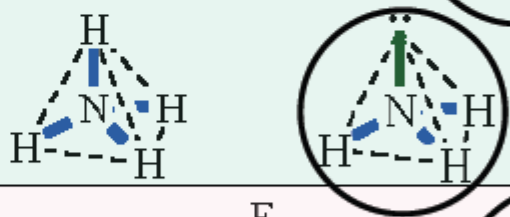
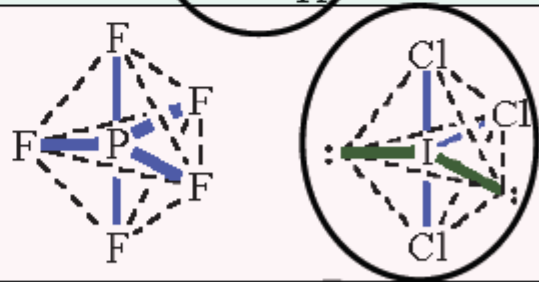
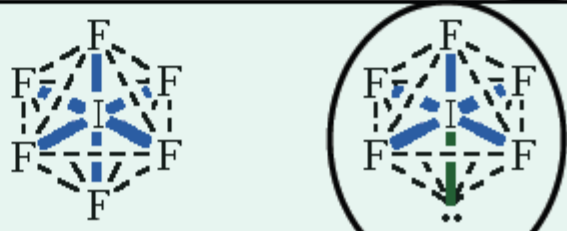


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	<p><math>O</math>; <math>1s^2 2s^2 2p^4</math>; 6 électrons de valence ;  <math>Cf = 6 - 1 - 2 \times 3 = -1</math> ;            Dans une molécule l'oxygène monovalent porte une charge formelle -1. In a molecule monovalent oxygen carries a formal charge -1.</p>
	<p><math>S</math>; <math>1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^4</math> ; 6 électrons de valence ; 6 valence electrons;  <math>Cf = 6 - 3 - 2 \times 1 = +1</math>  <math>O</math>; <math>1s^2 2s^2 2p^4</math> ; 6 électrons de valence ;  <math>Cf = 6 - 1 - 2 \times 3 = -1</math>  <math>O</math>; <math>1s^2 2s^2 2p^4</math> ; 6 électrons de valence ;  <math>Cf = 6 - 2 - 2 \times 2 = 0</math></p>
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Règle :

La somme des charges formelles est toujours égale à la charge globale de l'édifice. The sum of the formal loads is always equal to the overall load of the building.

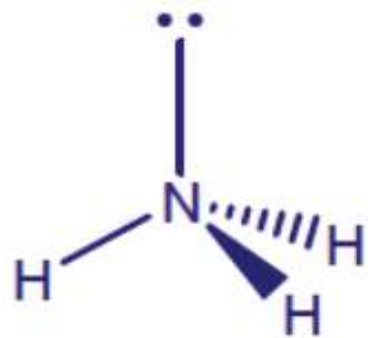
# VSEPR structures

regions with high densities	most favorable arrangement	
2	linear	$\text{Cl}-\text{Be}-\text{Cl}$
3	planar trigonal	
4	tetrahedral	
5	trigonal bipyramidal	
6	octahedral	

## Predicting the shapes of molecules with general formula $AX_nE_m$

- Repulsion: LP-LP > LP-BP > BP-BP
- Lone pairs occupy the largest site (e.g. equatorial in a trigonal bipyramid)
- If all sites are equal (e.g. octahedral geometry) then lone pairs will be trans to each other (i.e. forming a  $180^\circ$  angle)
- Double bonds occupy more space than single bonds -  
Bonding pairs to electronegative substituents occupy less space than those to more electropositive substituents.

Pseudostructure

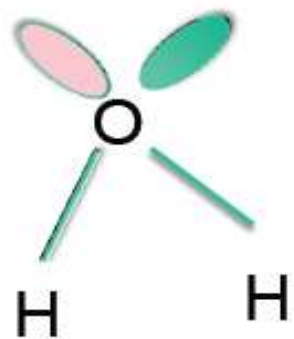


Structure



Tetrahedral

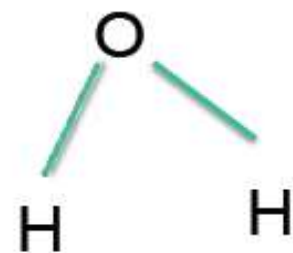
$AX_3E$



$AX_2E_2$



Trigonal pyramidal



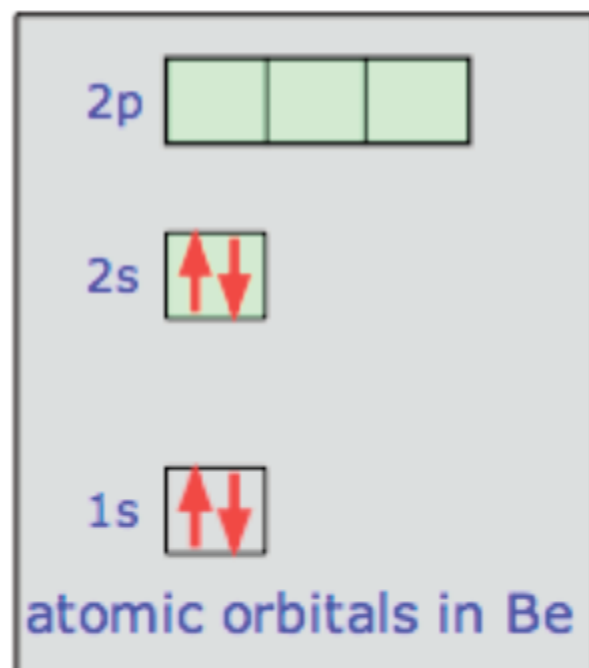
trigonal (bent)



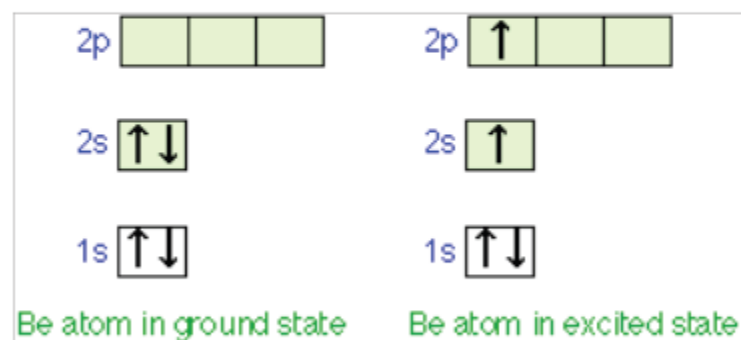
## Why atomic orbitals don't work for molecules

### Bonding in beryllium hydride

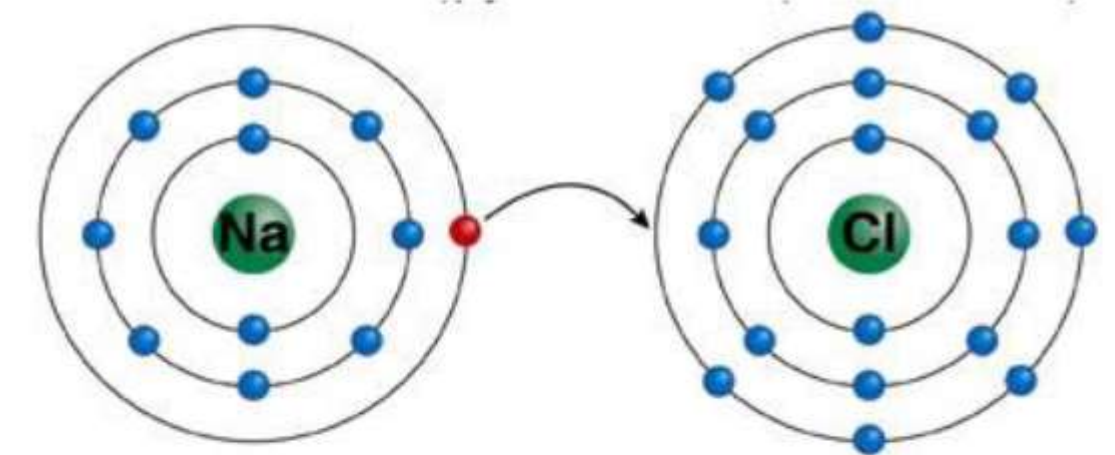
Consider how we might explain the bonding in a compound of divalent beryllium, such as beryllium hydride,  $\text{BeH}_2$ . The beryllium atom, with only four electrons, has a configuration of  $1s^2 2s^2$ . Note that the two electrons in the 2s orbital have opposite spins and constitute a stable pair that has no tendency to interact with unpaired electrons on other atoms.



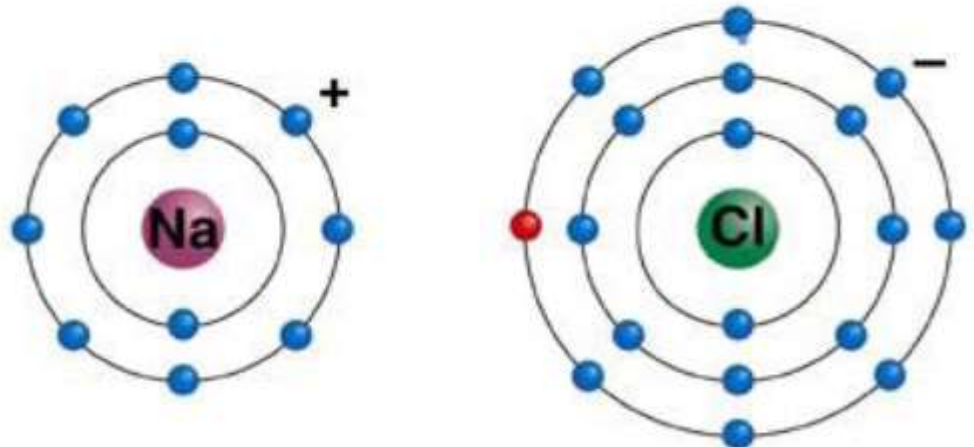
The only way that we can obtain two unpaired electrons for bonding in beryllium is to promote one of the 2s electrons to the 2p level. However, the energy required to produce this excited-state atom would be sufficiently great to discourage bond formation. It is observed that Be does form reasonably stable bonds with other atoms. Moreover, the two bonds in  $\text{BeH}_2$  and similar molecules are completely equivalent; this would not be the case if the electrons in the two bonds shared Be orbitals of different types, as in the "excited state" diagram above.



These facts suggest that it is incorrect to assume that the distribution of valence electrons that are shared with other atoms can be described by atomic-type s, p, and d orbitals at all.



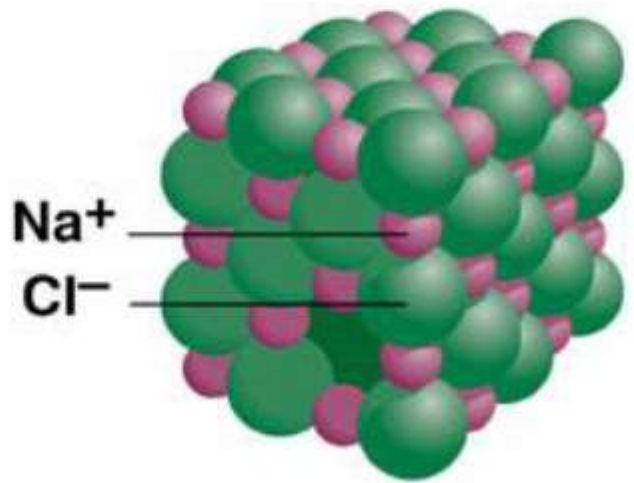
sodium atom (Na) + chlorine atom (Cl)



sodium ion (Na<sup>+</sup>)      chloride ion (Cl<sup>-</sup>)

sodium chloride (NaCl)

a.



b.

- **The sodium ion and the chloride ion will be attracted to each other and form an ionic bond.**

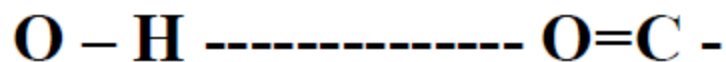
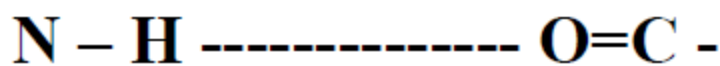
**→ The ionic bond is due to the attractive forces between the positively charged sodium & the negatively charged chloride.**

**→ Therefore, ionic compounds are usually between metals and nonmetals (opposite ends of the periodic table).**

## Hydrogen bond

- A hydrogen bond is a type of attractive interaction between an electronegative atom and a hydrogen atom bonded covalently to another electronegative atom.

### Examples



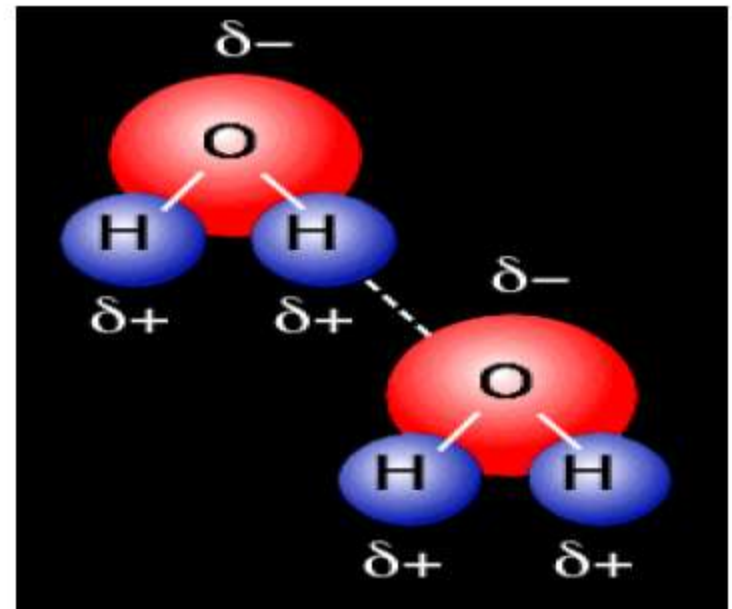
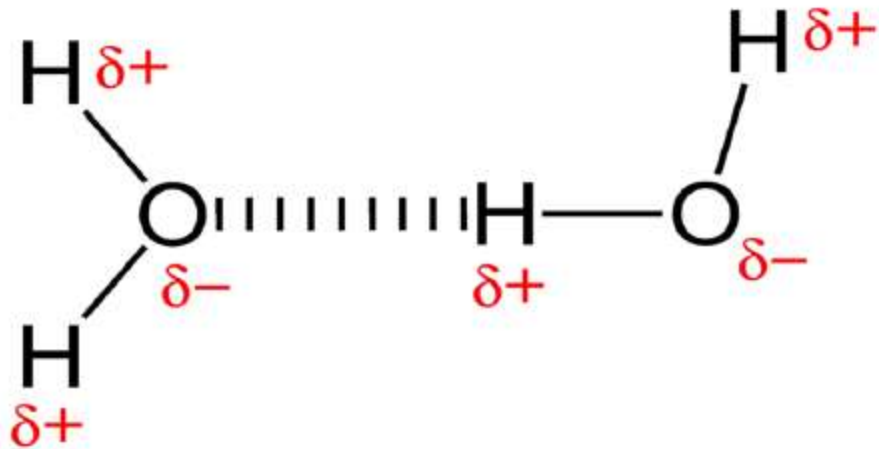
[a chemical bond consisting of a hydrogen atom between two electronegative atoms (e.g., oxygen or nitrogen) with one side be a covalent bond and the other being an ionic Bond]

- **This bond always involves a hydrogen atom.**
- **Hydrogen bonds can occur between molecules or within parts of a single molecule. [When a hydrogen atom forms a polar covalent bond with an atom of oxygen or nitrogen, the hydrogen gains a slight positive charge as the electron is pulled towards the other atom. This other atom is thus described as being electronegative. Since the hydrogen has a slight positive charge, it will have a weak attraction for a second electronegative atom (oxygen or nitrogen) that may be located near it. This weak interaction is called a hydrogen bond].**

- **A hydrogen bond tends to be stronger than van der Waals forces, but weaker than covalent bonds or ionic bonds.**
  - **Although each hydrogen bond is relatively weak, the sum of their attractive forces is largely responsible for:**
    - **The folding and bonding of long organic molecules such as proteins, and for the holding together of the two strands of a DNA molecule**
- ➡ hydrogen bonds are weak bonds, but there are so many! So, as a collective force, they can be quite strong.**

## Example

The hydrogen bonding between water molecules.





# Theory of hybrid orbitals (1928-)

Linus Pauling (USA, 1901-1994)

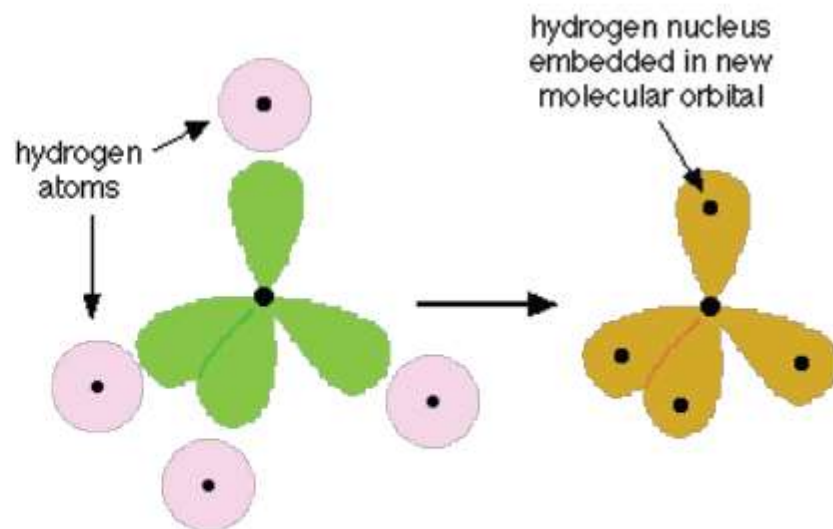
Most known american chemist of 20th century,  
Nobel prize: for chemistry 1954, for peace 1962



hybrid orbitals  
- principle

atomic orbitals  
do combine

if  $s$ ,  $p$ ,  $d$  orbitals occupied by the valence electrons of adjacent atoms are combined in a suitable way, the hybrid orbitals that result will have the character and directional properties that are consistent with the bonding pattern in the molecule.



# What are hybrid orbitals?

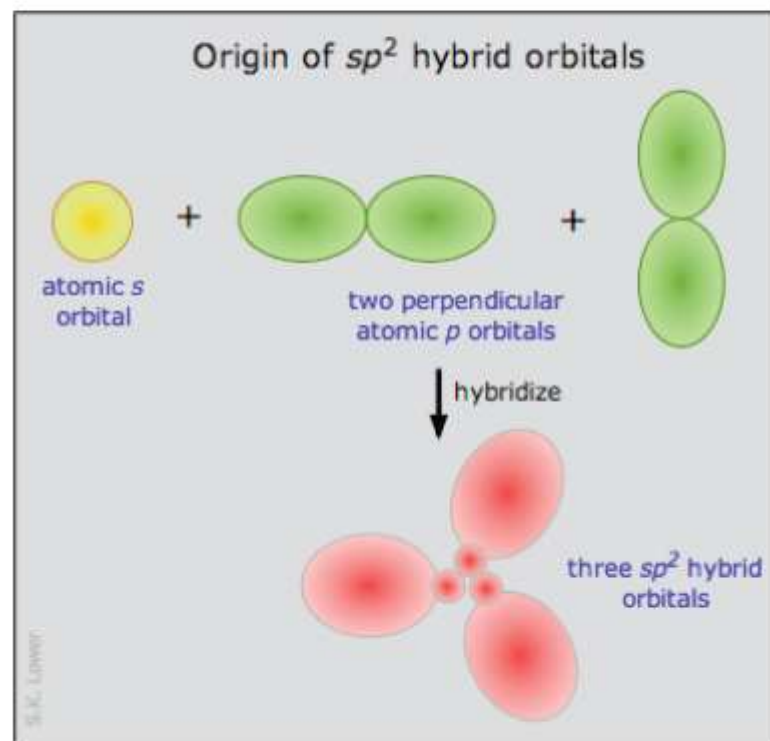
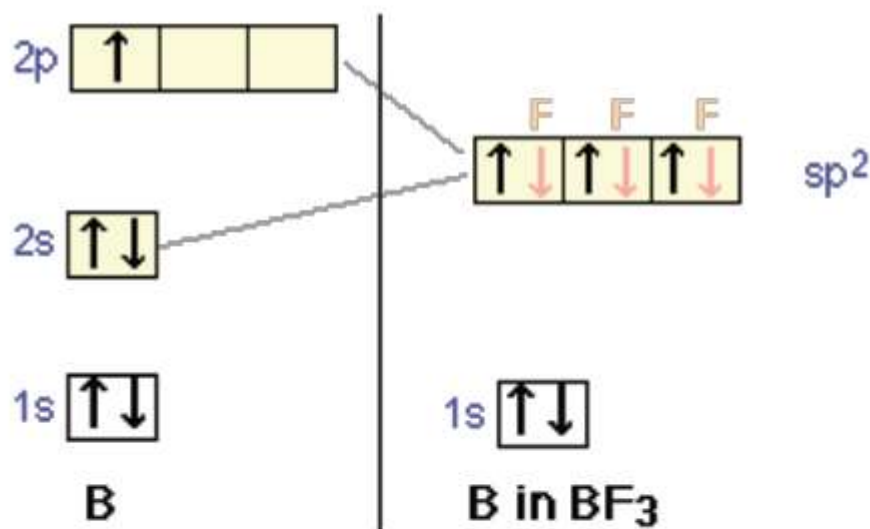
we will look at a model that starts out with the familiar valence-shell atomic orbitals, and allows them to combine to form **hybrid orbitals** whose shapes **conform** quite well to **the bonding geometry** that we observe in a wide **variety of molecules**.

**orbital:** region of space around the nucleus in which the probability of finding the electron exceeds some arbitrary value, such as 90% or 99%.

Orbitals of all types are mathematical functions that describe particular standing-wave patterns that can be plotted on a graph but have no physical reality of their own. Because of their wavelike nature, two or more orbitals (i.e., two or more functions  $\psi$ ) can be combined both in-phase and out-of-phase to yield a pair of resultant orbitals which, to be useful, must have squares that describe actual electron distributions in the atom or molecule.

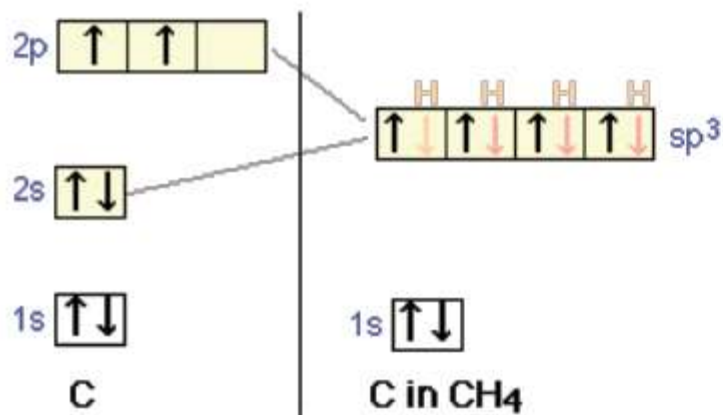
# Hybrids derived from atomic s- and p orbitals

## Trigonal ( $sp^2$ ) hybridization



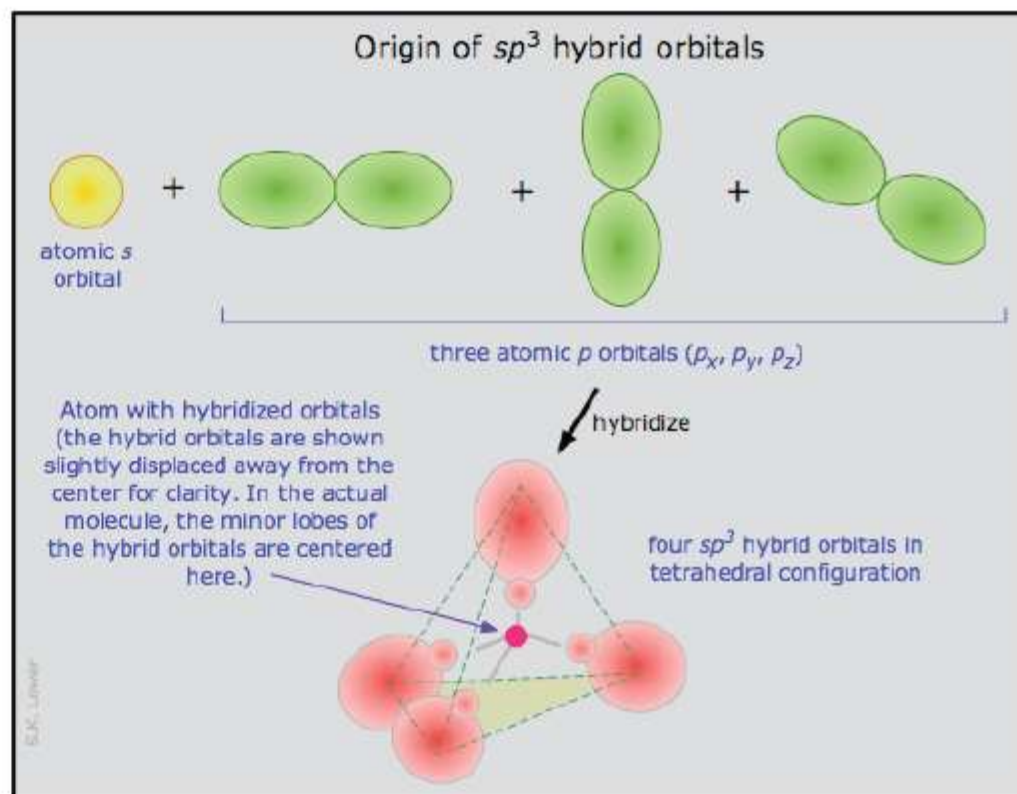
The molecule has plane trigonal geometry.

# Hybrids derived from atomic s- and p orbitals



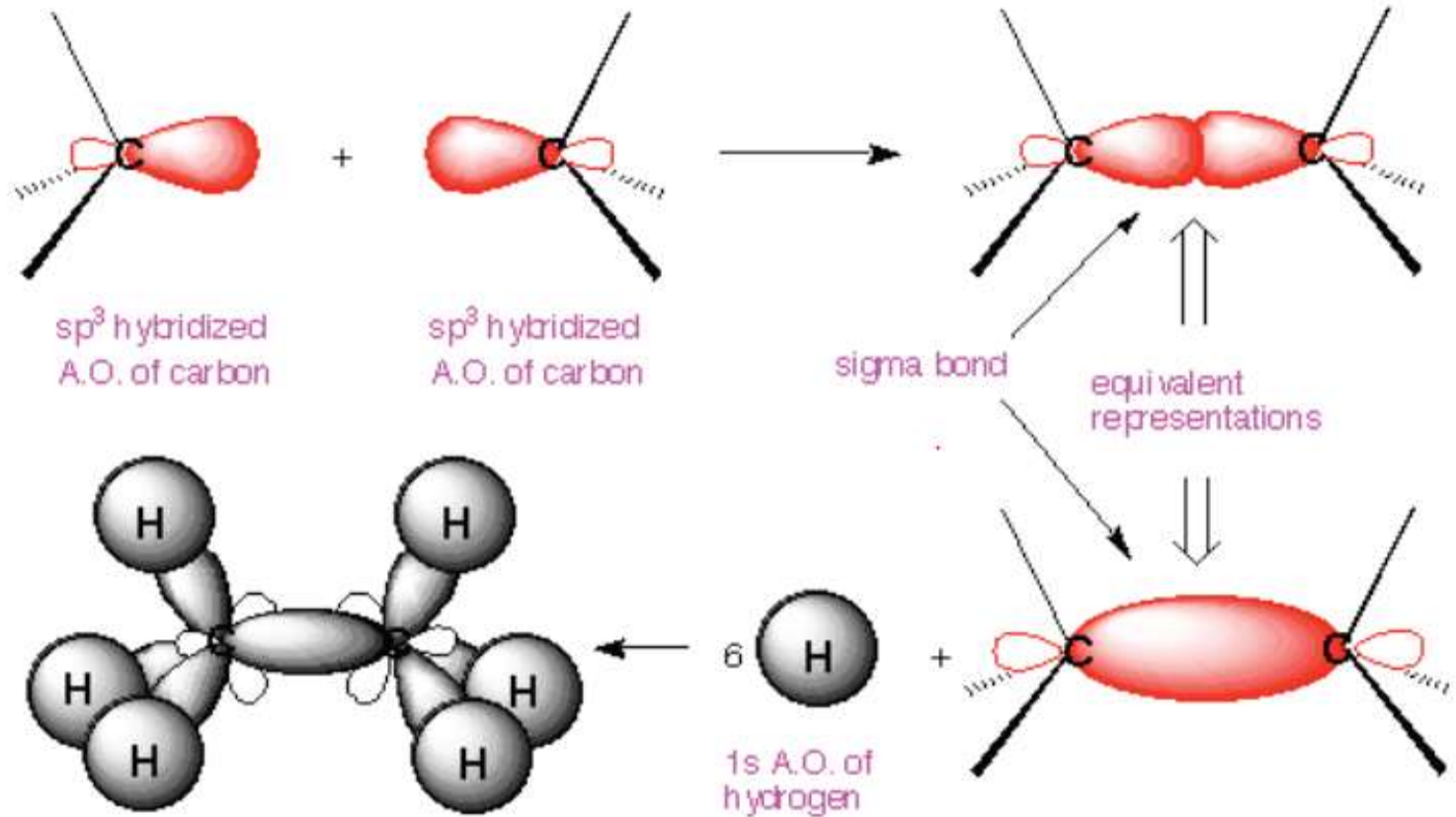
In the ground state of the free carbon atom, there are two unpaired electrons in separate 2p orbitals. In order to form four bonds (tetravalence), need four unpaired electrons in four separate but equivalent orbitals. We assume that the single 2s, and the three 2p orbitals of carbon mix into four  $sp^3$  hybrid orbitals which are chemically and geometrically identical

Tetrahedral ( $sp^3$ ) hybridization  
several tetravalent molecules



# Bonding with hybrid orbitals

## The M.O.s of Ethane



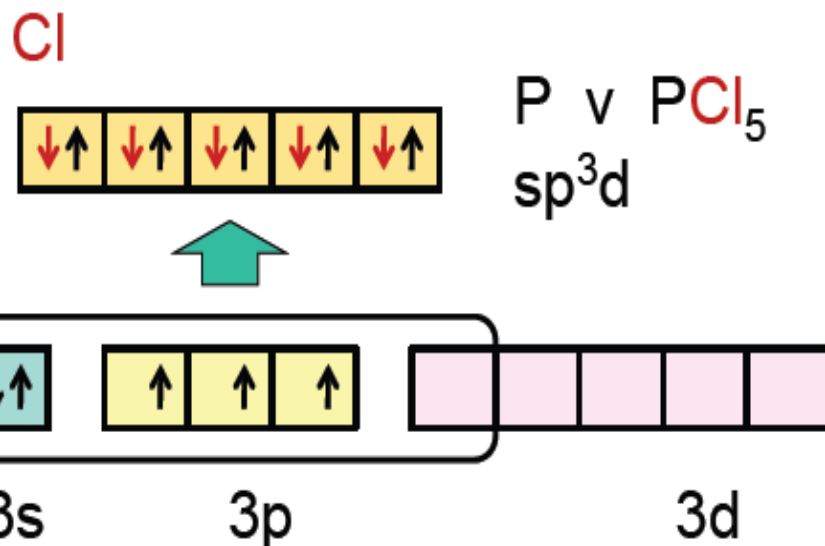
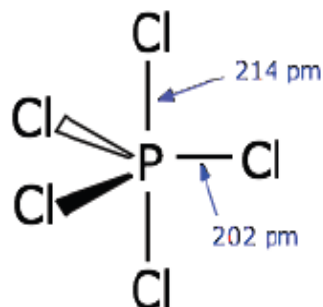
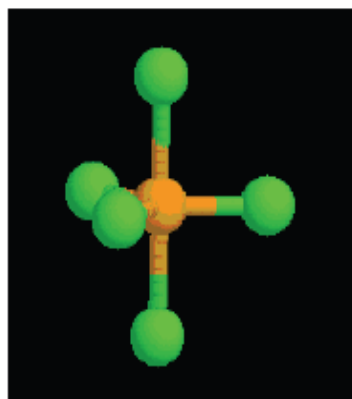
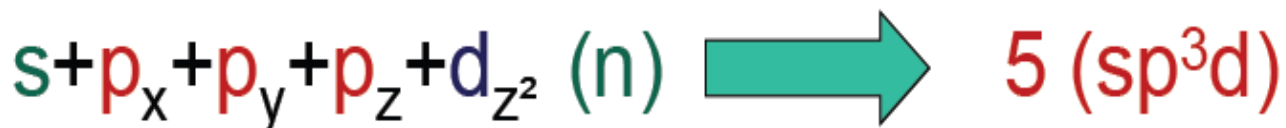
ethane

CC bond  $1.54 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $88 \text{ kcal/mol}$

CH bond  $1.10 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $98 \text{ kcal/mol}$

Structure: **trigonal bipyramid**  
 $sp^3d$  ( $dsp^3$ ) hybrid orbitals

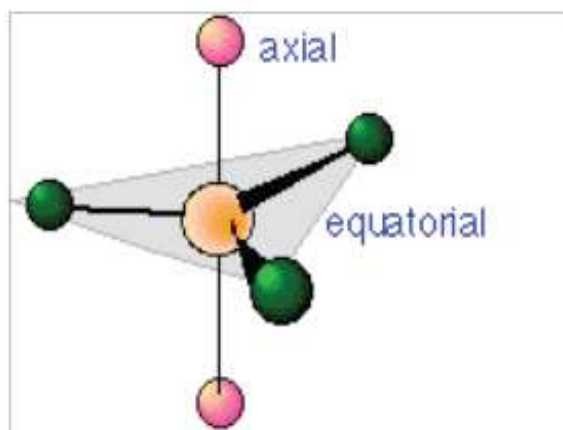
If the energies of s, p, d are close



$dsp^3$



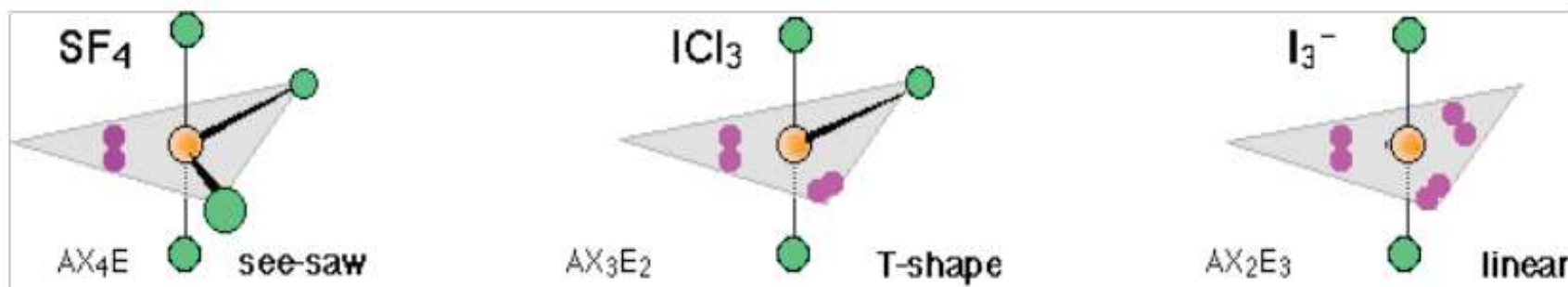
$d_{z^2} (n-1) + s + p_x + p_y + p_z$



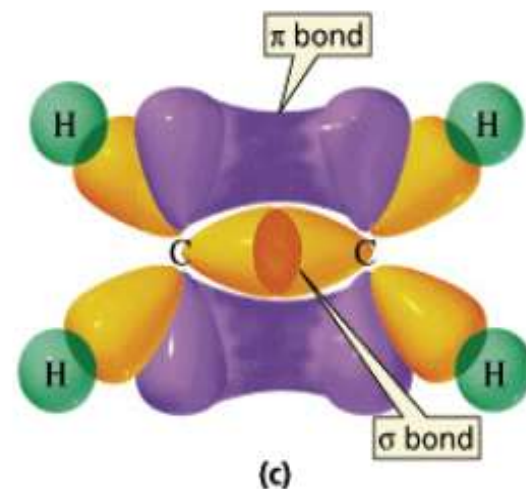
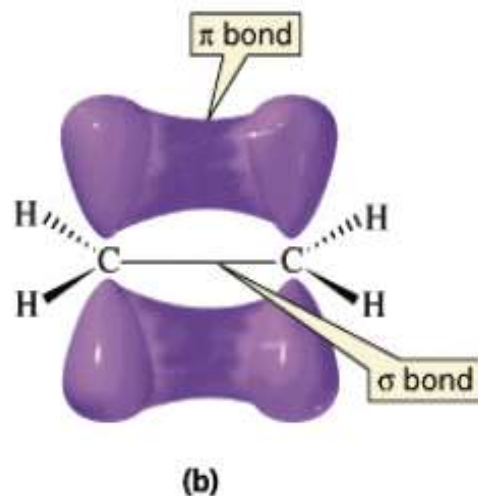
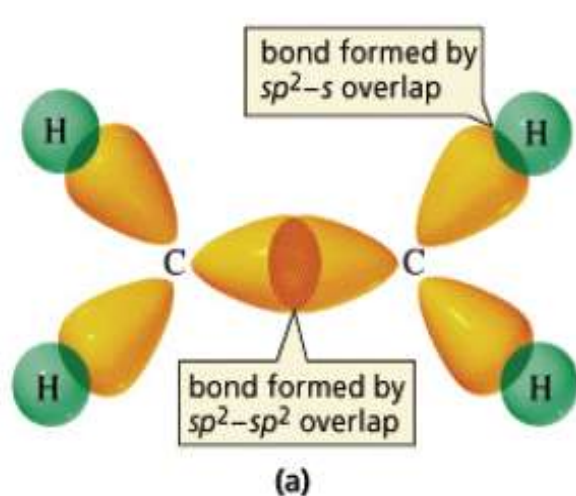
The shape of  $\text{PCl}_5$  and similar molecules is a **trigonal bipyramid**

**$sp^3d$**  hybrids

With lone (non-bonding) pairs:



# Double bond between carbon atoms $sp^2$



# Triple bond between carbon atoms $sp$

