Chapter 3 (AS-Level)

Chemical bonding and structure

A. Covalent bonding

Simple molecular

- Liquids and gases
- Low melting solids
- H₂O, NH₂, C₂H₅OH, Sucrose

Properties:

- A. Low boiling point and melting point
- B. Nonconductors of electricity
- C. May be insoluble in H_2O , may dissolve in organic solvents

Giant molecular

- Solids of high melting point and boiling point
- Quartz

Properties:

- A. High boiling point and melting point
- **B.** Nonconductors
- C. Insoluble in H₂O and other solvents

In covalent bonds, electron pairs are shared between atoms. The electron – pairs lying between the two nuclei are attracted by both nuclei, thus bonding them and thus overcoming the repulsion between them.

In covalent compounds, the shared electron pairs are in molecular orbitals rather than atomic orbitals

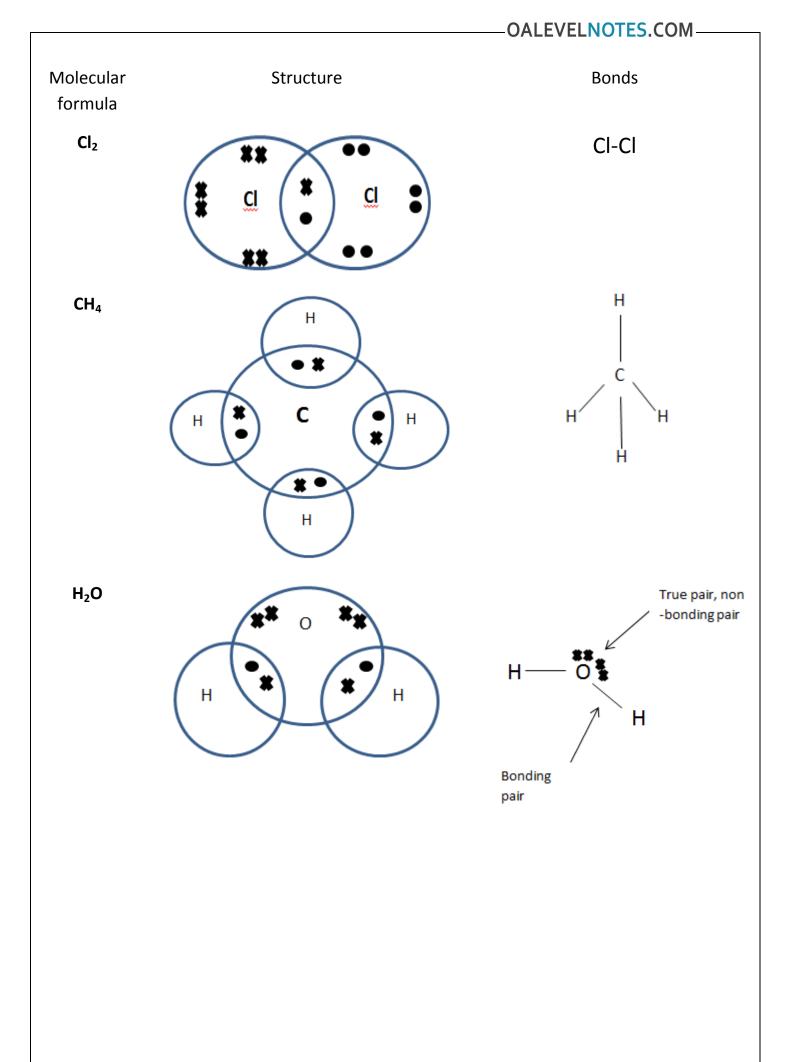
Molecular Orbitals arise from the overlap of atomic orbitals.

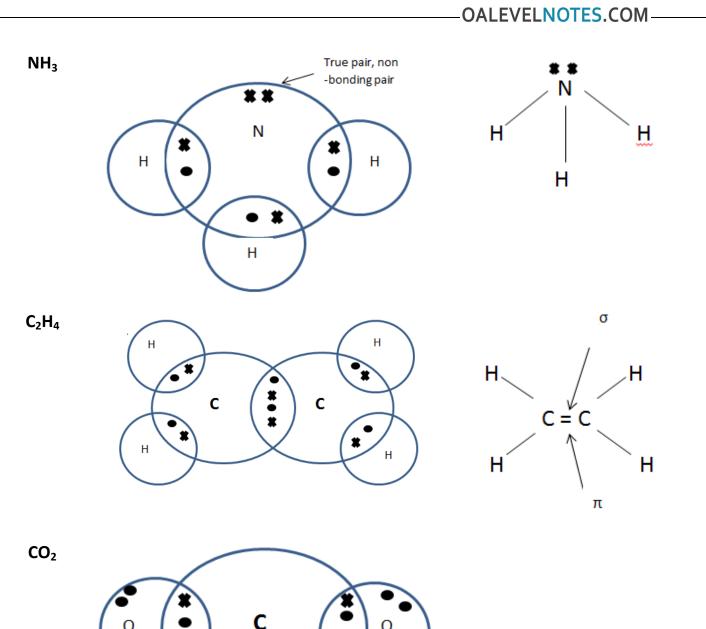
Atomic Orbitals

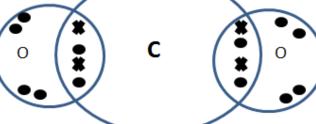
s, p, d σ H C = C H Π **Molecular Orbitals**

σ, π, δ

Examples of simple covalent molecules:



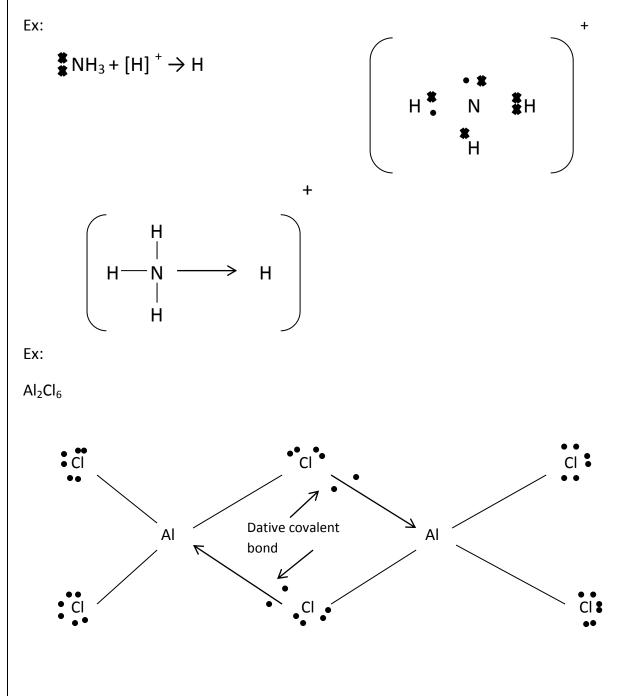




O = C = O

Dative covalent (coordinate) bond:

A lone pair from one atom overlaps with an empty orbital in another atom.

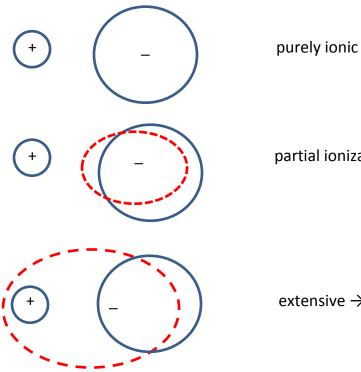


B. Bonds of intermediate (in between covalent & ionic) character Ionic, of covalent character:

Polarization of lons:

These are ionic compounds that show some properties which are more characteristic of covalent compounds. These ionic compounds contain anions which have become polarized.

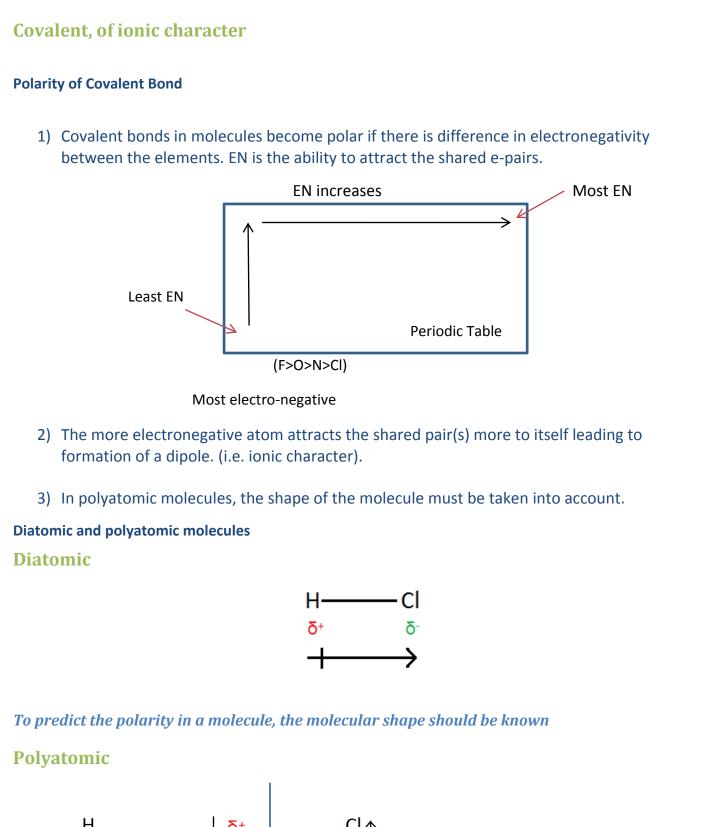
- 1) Polarization of anion is the distortion of electronic cloud by the cation.
- 2) Polarization brings more electron charge between the two ionic nuclei producing a certain degree of covalent bonding.
- 3) Distortion:

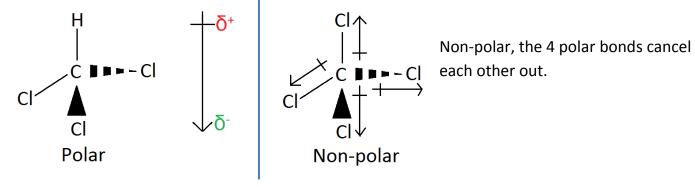


partial ionization

extensive \rightarrow Ionic Molecule of Covalent Character

- 4) Cations with smaller radius and greater charge (i.e. greater charge density) have greater polarization on anions.
- 5) Anions with larger radius and greater charge are more easily polarized by cations.





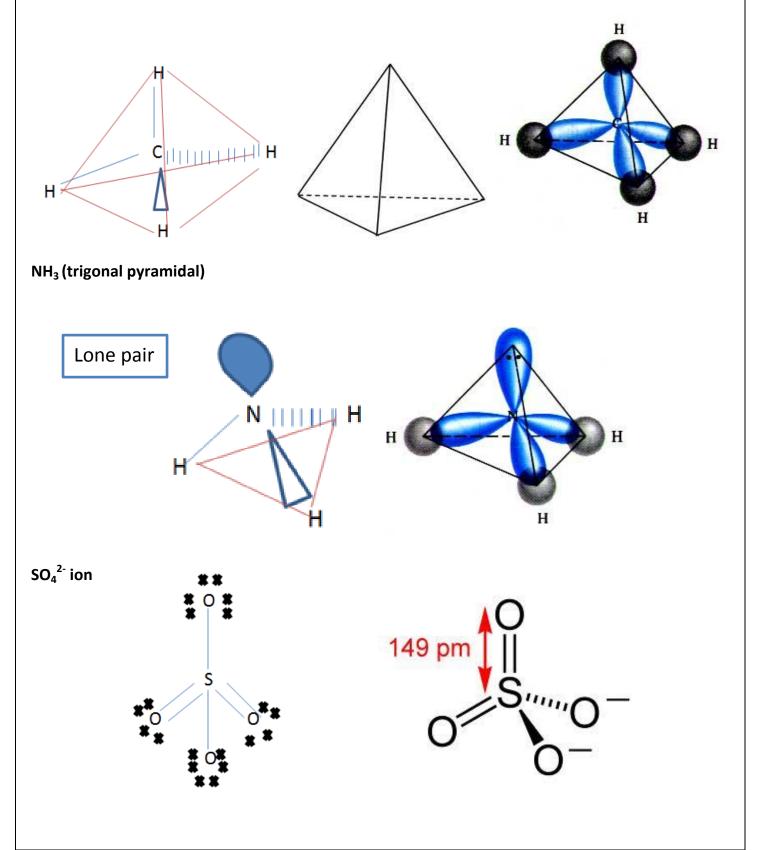
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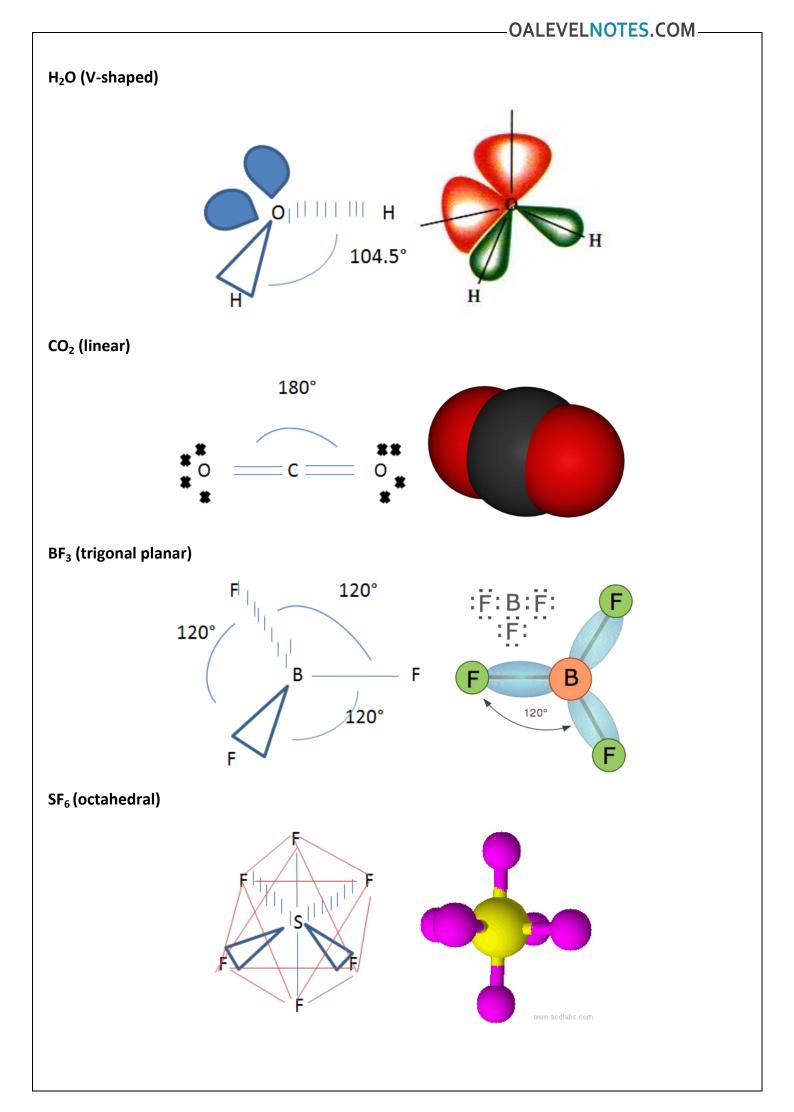
Shapes of simple molecules:

We apply VSEPR (Valency Shell Electron-Pair Repulsion Theory).

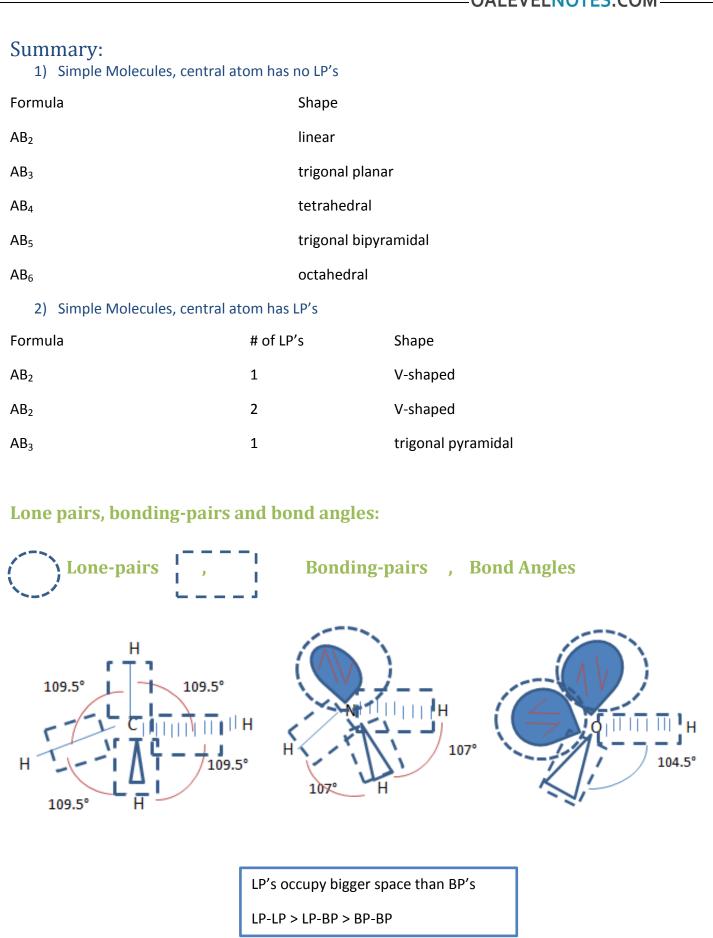
Bonding and non-bonding e-pairs repel each other. The repulsion causes these pairs to move as far apart as possible. The orientation in space of these pairs determines the shape of the molecule.

CH₄ (tetrahedron)





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Bond length and bond enthalpy:

Single Bond Length > Double Bond Length > Triple Bond Length

Bond Enthalpy: energy required to break 1 mol of given bond in 1 mol of gaseous molecules.

Single Bond Enthalpy < Double Bond Enthalpy < Triple Bond Enthalpy

C. Metallic bonding

Properties of Metals:

- Shiny
- Good conductor of electricity & heat in solid state
- Sonorous
- Ductile
- Malleable

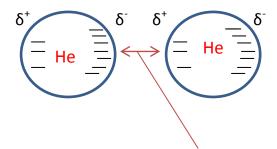
Bonding: In metallic bonding (lattice), the atoms lose their electrons (outer-shell), which extend throughout the lattice, thus forming a sea of electrons surrounding a lattice of positive ions.

Metallic bonding explains the properties of metals.

Intermolecular forces:

Instantaneous – dipole, induced dipole (van der waals forces)

Present in atoms and non-polar molecules.



attraction of + to - charge

Ex: noble gases, alkanes, polymers like LDPE & HDPE...., graphite

Gases: Cl₂

Liquids: Br₂

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Permanent dipole, dipole

Present in polar molecules.

Ex: H₂O, NH₃, HCl, CHCl₃

Hydrogen bonding (H-bonding)

H-bonding is present in molecules with possibility of H-bonding. This is by far the strongest type of intermolecular force.

i.e. with: F-H, O-H, N-H bonds

Hydrogen bonding is responsible for the liquid state of water, and water is responsible for the presence of life....

Ex: H₂O, NH₃, proteins, C₂H₅OH (carboxylic acids)

