

Norton Publishing Chemical Bonding Tutorials

Background: Open the webpage found at

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Use the "Chem Tour" button and then select the following in order to better understand the various theories used to try to explain how atoms bond together.

View the on-line "Chapter 4 and then Lewis Dot Structures"

- 1a. Summarize 3 rules used when starting to draw a Lewis dot structure for the elements that bond together to form a compound.
- 1b. Draw all possible structures for the compound N_2O .
- 1c. Describe how formal charges are calculated and used to determine which of the 3 possible structures for N_2O is correct.
- 1d. Draw the possible Lewis structures for the carbonate ion, CO_3^{2-} , and calculate the formal charges.

View the on-line "Chapter 5 then Hybridization"

- 2a. Describe how sp^3 hybridization can occur between the 2s and 2p orbitals.
- 2b. Explain the differences between sp , sp^2 and sp^3 hybridization.
- 2c. How are sigma (σ) and pi (π) bonds formed?
- 2d. Sketch the Lewis dot structures for the molecules in Practice Questions # 1, 2 and 4. What type of orbital hybridization is predicted to occur in each molecule?
- 2e. For Practice Question #7, complete the following chart matching the type of hybridization and number of sigma (σ) bonds formed with the correct geometric descriptions.

Hybridization	Number of σ bonds	Molecular geometry
Sp	2	
sp^2	3	
sp^2	2	
sp^3	4	
sp^3	3	
sp^3	2	

View the on-line "Chapter 4, then Expanded Valence Shells Tutorial"

- 3a. Summarize the 3 conditions that usually result in the central atom expanding its valence shell to obtain more than an octet.
- 3b. Which element is more likely to expand its outer shell when reacting with fluorine, N or P? Justify your answer.
- 3c. Determine the most reasonable Lewis structure for the arsenate ion, AsO_4^{3-} . Draw this structure and include the calculated formal charges for each atom.
- 3d. Draw the most reasonable Lewis structure for the arsenite ion, AsO_3^{3-} . Explain how this structure differs from that of the arsenate ion.
- 3e. Does the central iodine atom in I_3^- have an expanded valence shell? Justify your answer.

View the on-line "Chapter, then Intermolecular Forces"

- 4a. Explain the differences between **intermolecular** forces and **intramolecular** forces.
- 4b. Which of the following ionic compounds would exhibit the strongest ion-ion attractions; KF, CaF_2 , CaO, CaS or SrS. Site the 2 factors that supports your answer.
- 4c. Describe the type of intermolecular attractions that occur between polar molecules. What factor(s) affect the strength of this type of attraction?
- 4d. What conditions are necessary for "hydrogen bonding" to occur?
- 4e. What are "dispersion forces"? Explain how they form, their relative strength and the type of molecules which are held together by this type of attraction.
- 4f. Solve the 4 "Practice Questions" and justify your answers.

View the on-line "Chapter , then Estimating Enthalpy Changes"

6a. Explain how average bond energies can be used to estimate the enthalpy (heat energy) change, ΔH , of a chemical reaction.

6b. Show the steps used to calculate the ΔH for the combustion of propane. The chemical equation for the reaction is: $\text{C}_3\text{H}_8(\text{g}) + 5 \text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow 3 \text{CO}_2(\text{g}) + 4 \text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{g})$