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Molecule Shapes

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What shape is water?

- a. Tetrahedral
- b. Bent
- c. Trigonal planar
- d. Linear

Which of these molecules has a linear molecule geometry?

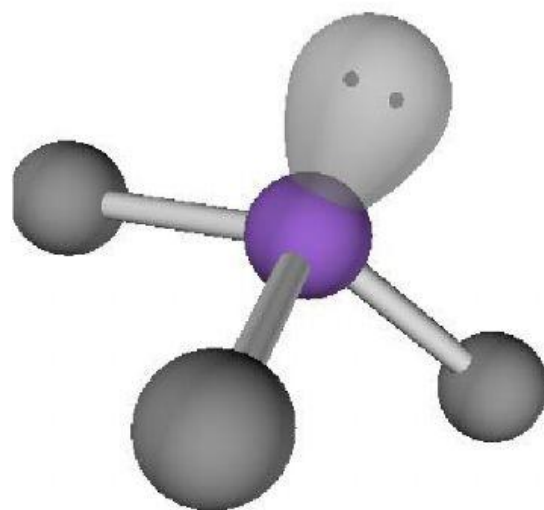
- a. CO_2
- b. O_3
- c. Both
- d. Neither

O₃ has 18 valence electrons:



The bonding in ozone is best represented as a blend of these two “resonance structures”.

Which molecule could be represented with this diagram?



- a. BH_3
- b. CH_4
- c. NH_3

What is the molecular geometry of H_2S ?

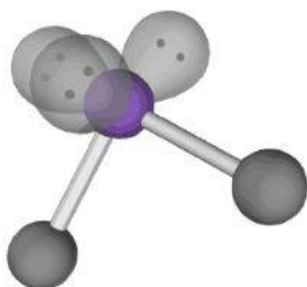
- a. Linear
- b. Tetrahedral
- c. Trigonal pyramidal
- d. Bent

What is the **molecule geometry** and **bond angle** for a molecule AX_2 which has 3 lone pairs on the central atom?

A

Bent

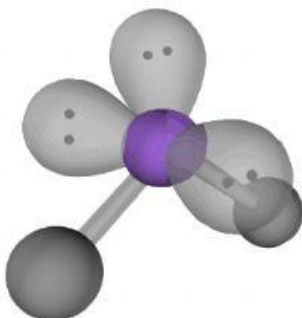
Bond angle $\approx 90^\circ$



B

Bent

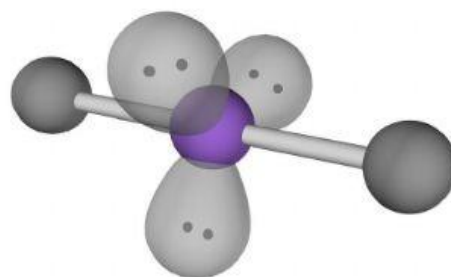
Bond angle $\approx 120^\circ$



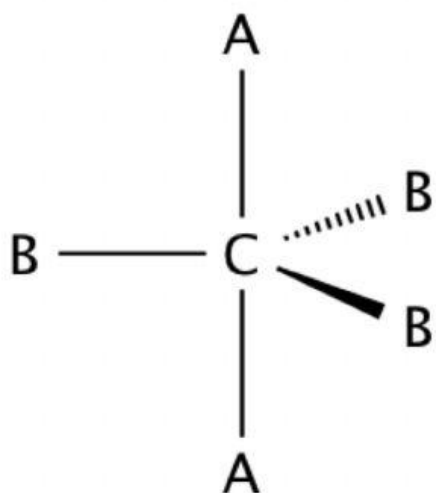
C

Linear

Bond angle $\approx 180^\circ$



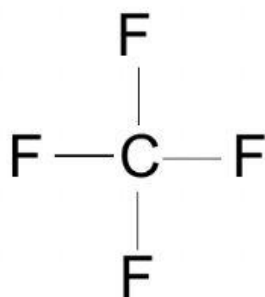
In a system with **4 atoms** and **1 lone pair**,
predict the position of the lone pair.



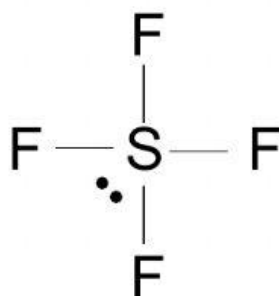
- A. One of the A locations
- B. One of the B locations

Which of these molecules would you expect to have *different bond angles in the real world* than are predicted by the model?

A



B



C

