

## CH4 – CHEMICAL BONDING AND MOLECULAR STRUCTURE

**Question 1.** Explain the formation of a chemical bond.

**Answer:** According to Kossel and Lewis, atoms combine together in order to complete their respective octets so as to acquire the stable inert gas configuration. This can occur in two ways; by transfer of one or more electrons from one atom to other or by sharing of electrons between two or more atoms.

**Question 2.** Write Lewis dot symbols for atoms of the following elements:

**Mg, Na, B, O, N, Br.**

**Answer:**

$${}_{12}Mg = 2, 8, 2 \quad \therefore \text{Lewis symbol} = \dot{M}g.$$

$${}_{11}Na = 2, 8, 1 \quad \therefore \text{Lewis symbol} = \dot{N}a$$

$${}_{5}B = 2, 3 \quad \therefore \text{Lewis symbol} = \cdot\dot{B}\cdot$$

$${}_{8}O = 2, 6 \quad \therefore \text{Lewis symbol} = :\ddot{O}:$$

$${}_{7}N = 2, 5 \quad \therefore \text{Lewis symbol} = :\dot{N}\cdot$$

$${}_{35}Br = 2, 8, 18, 7 \quad \therefore \text{Lewis symbol} = :\ddot{Br}\cdot$$

**Question 3.** Write Lewis symbols for the following atoms and ions: S and  $S^{2-}$ ; Al and  $Al^{3+}$ ; H and  $H^-$

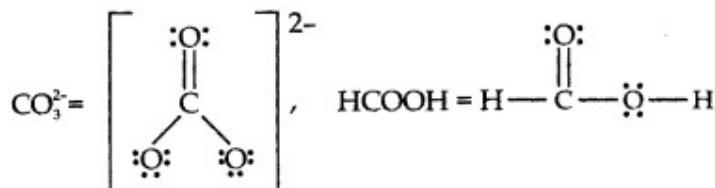
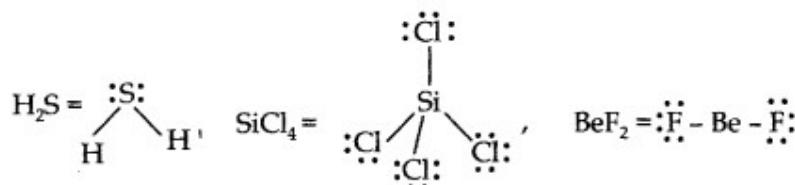
**Answer:**

$${}_{16}S = 2, 8, 6 \quad \therefore \text{Lewis symbol} = :\ddot{S}:, S^{2-} \text{ ions} = [:\ddot{S}:]^{2-}$$

$${}_{13}Al = 2, 8, 3 \quad \therefore \text{Lewis symbol} = \cdot\dot{A}l\cdot, Al^{3+} \text{ ion} = [Al]^{3+}$$

$${}_{1}H = 1 \quad \therefore \text{Lewis symbol} = H\cdot, H^- \text{ ion} = \dot{H}\cdot$$

**Question 4.** Draw the Lewis structures for the following molecules and ions:  $H_2S$ ,  $SiCl_4$ ,  $BeF_2$ ,  $CO_3^{2-}$ ,  $HCOOH$

**Answer:****Question 5. Define Octet rule. Write its significance and limitations.**

**Answer:** **Octet rule:** Atoms of elements combine with each other in order to complete their respective octets so as to acquire the stable gas configuration.

**Significance:** It helps to explain why different atoms combine with each other to form ionic compounds or covalent compounds.

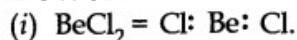
**Limitations of Octet rule:**

- According to Octet rule, atoms take part in chemical combination to achieve the configuration of nearest noble gas elements. However, some of noble gas elements like Xenon have formed compounds with fluorine and oxygen. For example:  $\text{XeF}_2$ ,  $\text{XeF}_4$  etc. Therefore, validity of the octet rule has been challenged.
- This theory does not account for shape of molecules.

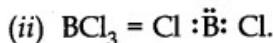
**Question 6. Write the favourable factors for the formation of ionic bond.****Answer:**

- Low ionization enthalpy of metal atoms
- High electron gain enthalpy of non-metal atoms
- High lattice enthalpy of compound formed.

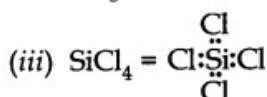
**Question 7. Discuss the shape of the following molecules using the VSEPR model:** **$\text{BeCl}_2$ ,  $\text{BCl}_3$ ,  $\text{SiCl}_4$ ,  $\text{AsF}_5$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$ ,  $\text{PH}_3$**

**Answer:**

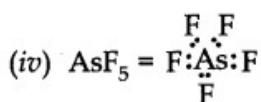
The central atom has only two bond pairs and there is no lone pair, i.e., it is of the type  $\text{AB}_2$ . Hence, shape is **linear**.



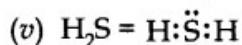
The central atom has only 3 bond pairs and no lone pair, i.e., it is of the type  $\text{AB}_3$ . Hence, shape is **triangular planar**.



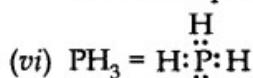
Bond pairs = 4, lone pairs = 0, i.e., it is of the type  $\text{AB}_4$ .  
Hence, shape is **Tetrahedral**.



Bond pairs = 5, lone pairs = 0, i.e., it is of the type  $\text{AB}_5$ .  
Hence, shape is **Trigonal bipyramidal**.



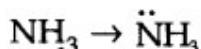
Bond pairs = 2, lone pairs = 2, i.e., it is of the type  $\text{AB}_2\text{L}_2$ .  
Hence, shape is **Bent/V-shaped**.



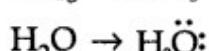
Bond pairs = 3, lone pair = 1, i.e., it is of the type  $\text{AB}_3\text{L}$ .  
Hence, shape is **Trigonal**.

**Question 8.** Although geometries of  $\text{NH}_3$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  molecules are distorted tetrahedral, bond angle in water is less than that of ammonia. Discuss.

**Answer:**



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Because of two lone pairs of electrons on O-atom, repulsion on bond pairs is greater in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in comparison to  $\text{NH}_3$ . Thus, the bond angle is less in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  molecules.

**Question 9.** How do you express the bond strength in terms of bond order?

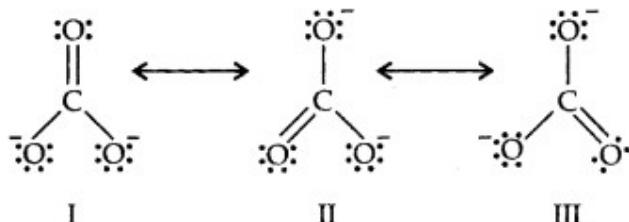
**Answer:** Bond strength is directly proportional to the bond order. Greater the bond order, more is the bond strength.

**Question 10.** Define the bond-length.

**Answer:** Bond-length: It is the equilibrium distance between the nuclei of two bonded atoms in a molecule. Bond-lengths are measured by spectroscopic methods.

**Question 11.** Explain the important aspects of resonance with reference to the  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ -ion.

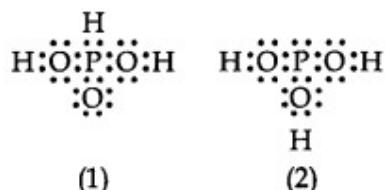
**Answer:**



Resonance in  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ , I, II and III represent the three canonical forms.

- In these structures, the position of nuclei are same.
- All three forms have almost equal energy.
- Same number of paired and impaired electrons, they differ only in their position.

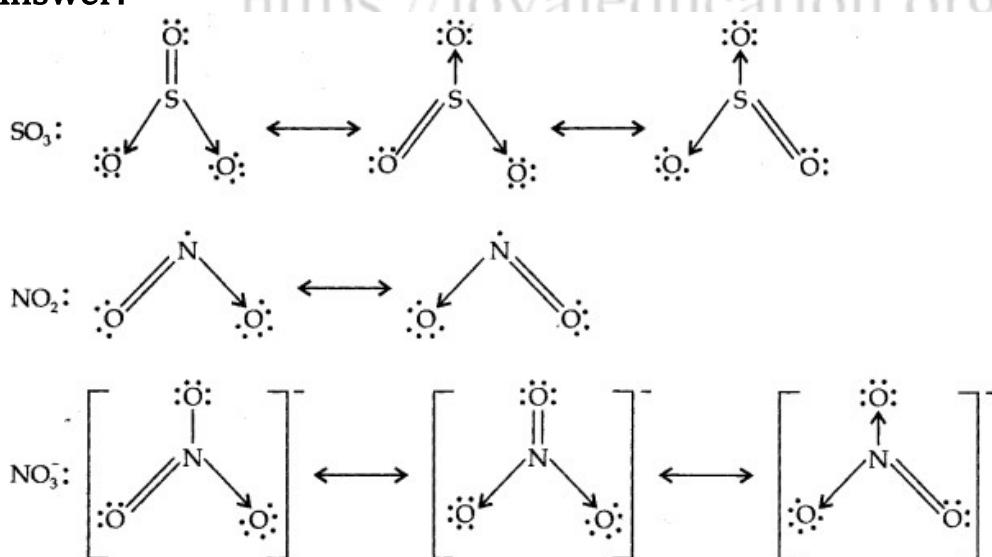
**Question 12.**  $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_3$  can be represented by structures 1 and 2 shown below. Can these two structures be taken as the canonical forms of the resonance hybrid representing  $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_3$ ? If not, give reasons for the same.



**Answer:** No, these cannot be taken as canonical forms because the positions of atoms have been changed.

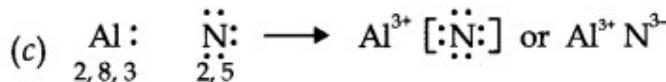
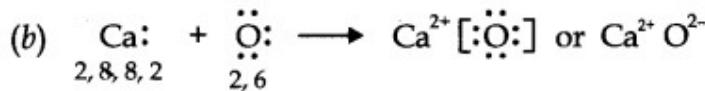
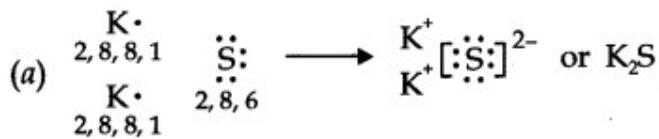
**Question 13.** Write the resonance structures for  $\text{SO}_3$ ,  $\text{NO}_2$  and  $\text{NO}_3^-$

**Answer:**



**Question 14.** Use Lewis symbols to show electron transfer between the following atoms to form cations and anions (a) K and S (b) Ca and O (c) Al and N.

**Answer:**



**Question 15.** Although both  $\text{CO}_2$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  are triatomic molecules, the shape of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  molecule is bent while that of  $\text{CO}_2$  is linear. Explain this on the basis of dipole moment.

**Answer:** In  $\text{CO}_2$ , there are two  $\text{C}=\text{O}$  bonds. Each  $\text{C}=\text{O}$  bond is a polar bond. The net dipole moment of  $\text{CO}_2$  molecule is zero. This is possible only if  $\text{CO}_2$  is a linear molecule. ( $\text{O}=\text{C}=\text{O}$ ). The bond dipoles of two  $\text{C}=\text{O}$  bonds cancel the moment of each other.

Whereas,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  molecule has a net dipole moment (1.84 D).  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  molecule has a bent structure because here the O—H bonds are oriented at an angle of  $104.5^\circ$  and do not cancel the bond moments of each other.

**Question 16.** Write the significance/applications of dipole moment.

**Answer:**

- In predicting the nature of the molecules: Molecules with specific dipole moments are polar in nature and those of zero dipole moments are non-polar in nature.
- In the determination of shapes of molecules.
- In calculating the percentage ionic character.

**Question 17.** Define electronegativity. How does it differ from electron gain enthalpy?

**Answer:** **Electronegativity:** Electronegativity is the tendency of an atom to attract shared pair of electrons. It is the property of bonded atom.

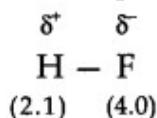
Whereas, electron gain enthalpy is the tendency of an atom to attract outside electron. It is the property of an isolated atom.

**Question 18.** Explain with the help of suitable example polar covalent bond.

**Answer:** When two atoms with different electronegativity are linked to each

other by covalent bond, the shared electron pair will not be in the centre because of the difference in electronegativity. For example, in hydrogen fluoride molecule, fluoride has greater electronegativity than hydrogen. Thus, the shared electron pair is displaced more towards fluorine atom, the latter will acquire a partial negative charge ( $\delta^-$ ). At the same time hydrogen atom will have a partial positive charge ( $\delta^+$ ). Such a covalent bond is known as polar covalent bond or simply polar bond.

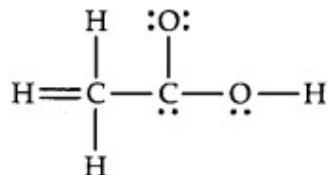
It is represented as



**Question 19.** Arrange the bonds in order of increasing ionic character in the molecules: LiF, K<sub>2</sub>O, N<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub> and ClF<sub>3</sub>.

**Answer:** N<sub>2</sub> < SO<sub>2</sub> < ClF<sub>3</sub> < K<sub>2</sub>O < LiF

**Question 20.** The skeletal structure of CH<sub>3</sub>COOH as shown below is correct, but some of the bonds are shown incorrectly. Write the correct Lewis structure for acetic acid.



**Answer:**



**Question 21.** Apart from tetrahedral geometry, another possible geometry for CH<sub>4</sub> is square planar with the four H atoms at the corners of the square and the C atom at its centre. Explain why CH<sub>4</sub> is not square planar?

**Answer:** According to VSEPR theory, if CH<sub>4</sub> were square planar, the bond angle would be 90°. For tetrahedral structure, the bond angle is 109°28'. Therefore, in square planar structure, repulsion between bond pairs would be more and thus the stability will be less.

**Question 22.** Explain why BeH<sub>2</sub> molecule has a zero dipole moment although the Be—H bonds are polar.

**Answer:** BeH<sub>2</sub> is a linear molecular (H—Be—H), the bond angle = 180°.

Be—H bonds are polar due to difference in their electronegativity but the bond polarities cancel each other. Thus, molecule has resultant dipole moment of zero.

**Question 23. Which out of  $\text{NH}_3$  and  $\text{NF}_3$  has higher dipole moment and why?**

**Answer:** In  $\text{NH}_3$  and  $\text{NF}_3$ , the difference in electronegativity is nearly same but the dipole moment of  $\text{NH}_3 = (1.46\text{D})$  For Example,  $\text{NH}_3 = (0.24\text{D})$  In  $\text{NH}_3$ , the dipole moments of the three N—H bonds are in the same direction as the lone pair of electron. But in  $\text{NF}_3$ , the dipole moments of the three N—F bonds are in the direction opposite to that of the lone pair. Therefore, the resultant dipole moment in  $\text{NH}_3$  is more than in  $\text{NF}_3$ .

**Question 24. What is meant by hybridisation of atomic orbitals? Describe the shapes of  $\text{sp}$ ,  $\text{sp}^2$ ,  $\text{sp}^3$  hybrid orbitals.**

**Answer: Hybridisation:** It is defined as the process of intermixing of atomic orbitals of slightly different energies to give rise to new hybridized orbitals having equivalent energy and identical shapes.

**Shapes of Orbitals:**

**$\text{sp}$  hybridisation:** When one s-and one p-orbital, intermix then it is called  $\text{sp}$ -hybridisation. For example, in  $\text{BeF}_2$ , Be atom undergoes  $\text{sp}$ -hybridisation. It has linear shape. Bond angle is  $180^\circ$ .

**$\text{sp}^2$  hybridisation:** One s-and two p-orbitals get hybridised to form three equivalent hybrid orbitals. The three hybrid orbitals directed towards three corners of an equilateral triangle. It is, therefore, known as trigonal hybridisation.

**$\text{sp}^3$  hybridisation:** One s-and three p-orbitals get hybridised to form four equivalent hybrid orbitals. These orbitals are directed towards the four corners of a regular tetrahedron.

**Question 25. Describe the change in hybridisation (if any) of the Al atom in the following reaction.  $\text{AlCl}_3 + \text{Cl}^- \longrightarrow \text{AlCl}_4^-$ .**

**Answer:** Electronic configuration of  ${}_{13}\text{Al} = 1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^1 3p_x^1 3p_y^1$  (excited state)

Hence, hybridisation will be  $\text{SP}^2$

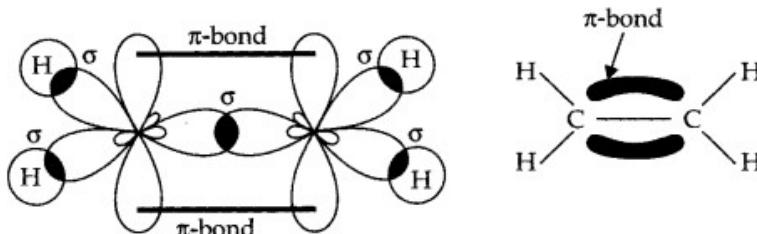
In  $\text{AlCl}_4^-$ , the empty  $3p_z$  orbital is also involved. So, the hybridisation is  $\text{sp}^3$  and the shape is tetrahedral.

**Question 26. Is there any change in the hybridisation of B and N atoms as a result of the following reaction ?  $\text{BF}_3 + \text{NH}_3 \longrightarrow \text{F}_3\text{B.NH}_3$**

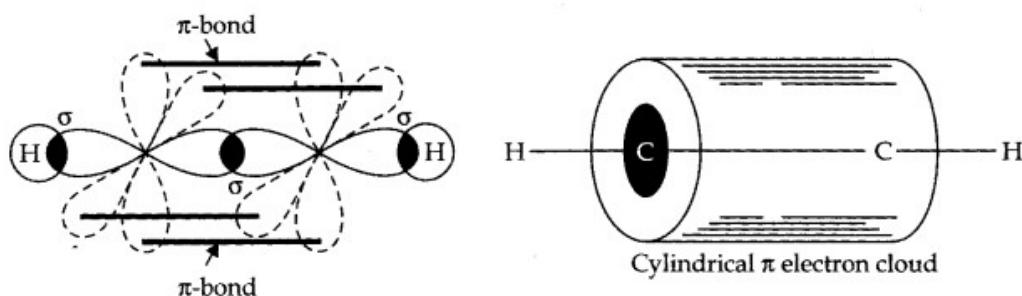
**Answer:** In  $\text{BF}_3$ , B atom is  $\text{sp}^2$  hybridised. In  $\text{NH}_3$ , N is  $\text{sp}^3$  hybridised. After the reaction, hybridisation of B changes from  $\text{sp}^2$  to  $\text{sp}^3$ .

Question 27. Draw diagrams showing the formation of a double bond and a triple bond between carbon atoms in  $C_2 H_4$  and  $C_2 H_2$  molecules.

Answer:



Orbital picture of ethene molecule



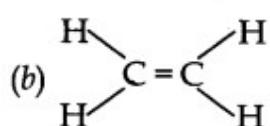
Orbital picture of ethyne molecule

Question 28. What is the total number of sigma and pi bonds in the following molecules?

(a)  $C_2 H_2$  (b)  $C_2 H_4$

Answer: (a)  $H—C=C—H$

Sigma bond = 3  $\Pi$  bonds = 2



Sigma bond = 5

$\pi$  bonds = 1

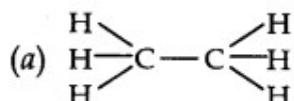
Question 29. Considering X-axis as the internuclear axis which out of the following will not form a sigma bond and why? (a) Is and Is (b) Is and  $2p_x$  (c)  $2p_y$  and  $2p_y$  (d) Is and  $2s$

Answer: (c) It will not form a s-bond because taking x-axis as the internuclear axis, there will be lateral overlap between the two  $2p_y$  orbitals forming a  $\Pi$  -bond.

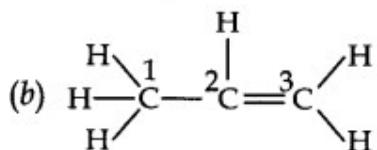
Question 30. Which hybrid orbitals are used by carbon atoms in the following molecules?

(a)  $\text{CH}_3\text{-CH}_3$  (b)  $\text{CH}_3\text{-CH}=\text{CH}_2$  (c)  $\text{CH}_3\text{-CH}_2\text{-OH}$  (d)  $\text{CH}_3\text{-CHO}$  (e)  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ .

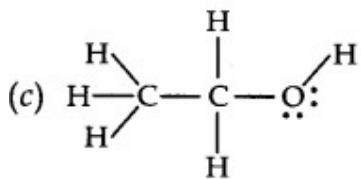
**Answer:**



Both C-atoms use  $sp^3$  hybrid orbitals.



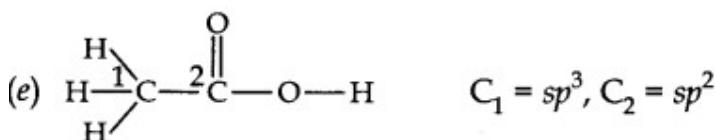
$C_1 = sp^3, C_2 = sp^2, C_3 = sp^2$



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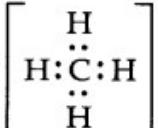
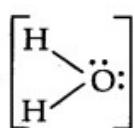
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**Question 31.** What do you understand by bond pairs and lone pairs of electrons? Illustrate by giving one example of each type.

**Answer:** The electron pair involved in sharing between two atoms during covalent bonding is called shared pair or bond pair. At the same time, the electron pair which is not involved in sharing is called lone pair of electrons.

**For Example,** In  $\text{CH}_4$ ,  there are only 4 bond pairs, but in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 

there are two bond pairs and two lone pairs.

**Question 32. Distinguish between a sigma bond and a pi bond.**

**Answer:**

<i>Sigma (<math>\sigma</math>) Bond</i>	<i>pi (<math>\pi</math>) Bond</i>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) <math>\sigma</math>-bond is formed by the axial overlap of the atomic orbitals.</li> <li>(2) The bond is quite strong.</li> <li>(3) Only one lobe of the p-orbitals is involved in the overlap.</li> <li>(4) Electron cloud of the molecular orbital is symmetrical around the internuclear axis.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) <math>\pi</math>-bond is formed by the sidewise overlap of atomic orbitals.</li> <li>(2) Comparatively weak bond.</li> <li>(3) Both lobes of the p-orbitals are involved in the overlap.</li> <li>(4) The electron cloud is not symmetrical.</li> </ol>

**Question 33. Explain the formation of  $H_2$  molecule on the basis of valence bond theory.**

**Answer:** Let us consider the combination between atoms of hydrogen  $H_A$  and  $H_B$  and  $e_A$  and  $e_B$  be their respective electrons.

As they tend to come closer, two different forces operate between the nucleus and the electron of the other and vice versa. The nuclei of the atoms as well as their electrons repel each other. Energy is needed to overcome the force of repulsion. Although the number of new attractive and repulsive forces is the same, but the magnitude of the attractive forces is more. Thus, when two hydrogen atoms approach each other, the overall potential energy of the system decreases. Thus, a stable molecule of hydrogen is formed.

**Question 34. Write the important conditions required for the linear combination of atomic orbitals to form molecular orbitals.**

**Answer:**

- The combining atomic orbitals should have comparable energies. For example, 1s orbital of one atom can combine with 1s atomic orbital of another atom, 2s can combine with 2s.
- The combining atomic orbitals must have proper orientations. So that they are able to overlap to a considerable extent.
- The extent of overlapping should be large.

**Question 35. Use molecular orbital theory to explain why the  $Be_2$  molecule does not exist.**

**Answer:**

$$\text{E.C. of Be} = 1s^2 2s^2$$

$$\text{M.O.E.C. of Be}_2 = \sigma^2 1s \sigma^* 1s \sigma^2 2s \sigma^* 2s$$

$$\text{Bond order} = \frac{1}{2}(4 - 4) \\ = 0$$

Hence,  $\text{Be}_2$  does not exist.

**Question 36.** Compare the relative stability of the following species and indicate their magnetic properties:  $\text{O}_2$ ,  $\text{O}_2^+$ ,  $\text{O}_2^-$  (Superoxide),  $\text{O}_2^{2-}$  (peroxide)

**Answer:**  $\text{O}_2$ — Bond order = 2, paramagnetic

$\text{O}_2^+$ — Bond order = 2.5, paramagnetic

$\text{O}_2^-$ — Bond order = 1.5, paramagnetic

$\text{O}_2^{2-}$ — Bond order = 1, diamagnetic

Order of relative stability is

$\text{O}_2^+ > \text{O}_2 > \text{O}_2^- > \text{O}_2^{2-}$

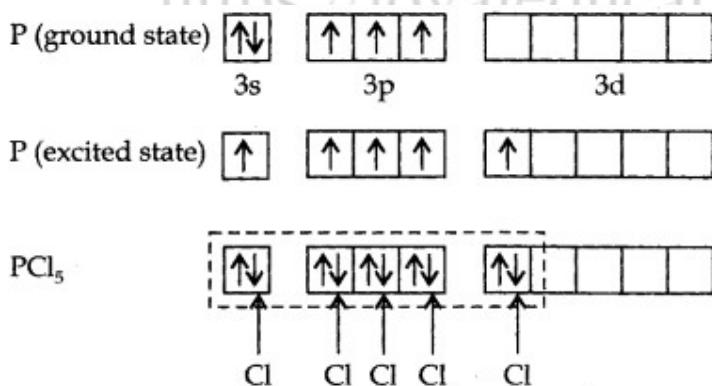
(2.5) (2.0) (1.5) (1.0)

**Question 37.** Write the significance of plus and minus sign in representing the orbitals,

**Answer:** Plus and minus sign is used to identify the nature of electrons wave. Plus (+ve) sign denotes crest, while (-ve) sign denotes trough.

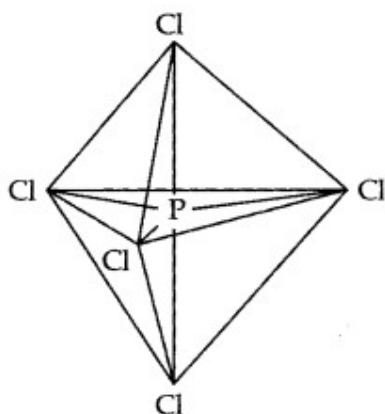
**Question 38.** Describe the hybridisation in case of  $\text{PCl}_5$ . Why are the axial bonds longer as compared to equatorial bonds?

**Answer:** The ground state E.C. and the excited state E.C. of phosphorus are represented as:



*$sp^3$  hybrid orbitals filled by electron pairs donated by five Cl atoms*

The one s, three-p and one d-orbitals hybridise to yield five sets of  $sp^3$  d hybrid orbitals which are directed towards the five corners of a trigonal bipyramidal as in Fig.



*Trigonal bipyramidal geometry of  $PCl_5$  molecule*

Because axial bond pairs suffer more repulsive interaction from the equatorial bond pairs, therefore axial bonds have been found to be slightly longer and hence slightly weaker than equatorial bonds.

**Question 39.** Define hydrogen bonds. Is it weaker or stronger than the van der Waals forces?

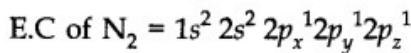
**Answer:** When hydrogen is attached with highly electronegative element in a covalent bonding the electrons of the covalent bond are shifted towards the more electronegative atom. Thus, a partially positively charged hydrogen atom forms a bond with the other more electronegative atom. This bond is known as a hydrogen bond. Hydrogen bond is stronger than the van der Waals forces.

**Question 40.** What is meant by the term bond order? Calculate the bond order of  $N_2$ ,  $O_2$ ,  $O_2^+$ ,  $O_2^-$

**Answer:** Bond order is defined as the half of the difference between the

number of electrons present in bonding and antibonding molecular orbitals.

$$\text{Bond order} = \frac{1}{2}(N_b - N_a)$$



$$(i) \text{ M.O. configuration of N}_2 = [\sigma 1s]^2 [\sigma^* 1s]^2 [\sigma 2s]^2 [\sigma^* 2s]^2 [\pi 2p_x]^2 [\pi 2p_y]^2 [\sigma 2p_z]^2$$

$$\text{Bond order (B.O.)} = \frac{1}{2}(N_b - N_a)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}[8 - 2] = 3$$

$$(ii) \text{ M.O. configuration of O}_2 = [\sigma 1s]^2 [\sigma^* 1s]^2 [\sigma 2s]^2 [\sigma^* 2s]^2 [\sigma 2p_z]^2$$

$$\text{B.O} = \frac{1}{2}[N_b - N_a]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}[8 - 4] = 2$$

$$(iii) \text{ M.O. configuration of O}_2^+ = \text{KK} [\sigma 2s]^2 [\sigma^* 2s]^2 [\sigma 2p_z]^2 [\pi 2p_x]^2 [\pi 2p_y]^2 [\pi^* 2p_x]^1$$

$$\text{B.O.} = \frac{1}{2}[8 - 3] = 2.5$$

$$(iv) \text{ M.O. configuration of O}_2^-$$

$$= \text{KK} [\sigma 2s]^2 [\sigma^* 2s]^2 [\sigma 2p_z]^2 [\pi 2p_x]^2 [\pi 2p_y]^2 [\pi^* 2p_x]^2 [\pi^* 2p_y]^1$$

$$\text{B.O.} = \frac{1}{2}[8 - 5] = 1.5$$

### MORE QUESTIONS SOLVED

#### I. Very Short Answer Type Questions

**Question 1.** How is bond order related to the stability of a molecule?

**Answer:** Higher the bond order, greater is the stability.

**Question 2.** Write the type of hybridisation involved in CH<sub>4</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>.

**Answer:** CH<sub>4</sub> = sp<sup>3</sup>

C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> = sp<sup>2</sup>

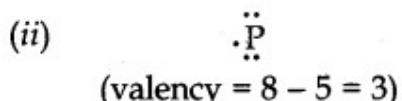
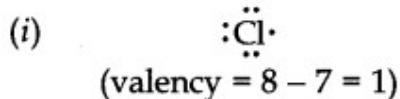
C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> = sp

**Question 3.** Out of sigma and  $\Pi$  bonds, which one is stronger and why?

**Answer:** sigma-bond is stronger. This is because sigma-bond is formed by head-on overlapping of atomic orbitals and  $\Pi$  bond is formed by side wise overlapping.

**Question 4.** Write the Lewis dot symbols of the following elements and predict their valencies. (i) Cl (ii) P

**Answer:**



**Question 5.** Predict the shapes of the following molecules using VSEPR theory?

(i)  $\text{BeCl}_2$  (ii)  $\text{SiCl}_4$

**Answer:** (i) Linear

(ii) Tetrahedral

**Question 6.** Write the state of hybridisation of boron in  $\text{BF}_3$ .

**Answer:**  $\text{SP}^2$

**Question 7.** Arrange  $\text{O}_2, \text{O}_2^-, \text{O}_2^{2-}, \text{O}_2^+$  in increasing order of bond energy.

**Answer:**  $\text{O}_2^{2-} < \text{O}_2^- < \text{O}_2 < \text{O}_2^+$

**Question 8.** What is meant by bond pairs of electrons?

**Answer:** The electron pairs involved in the bond formation are known as bond pairs or shared pairs.

**Question 9.** Which of the following has larger bond angle in each pair?

(i)  $\text{CO}_2, \text{BF}_3$  (ii)  $\text{NH}_3, \text{CH}_4$

**Answer:** (i)  $\text{CO}_2$  (ii)  $\text{CH}_4$

**Question 10.** Arrange the following, according to increasing covalent nature.

$\text{NaCl}, \text{MgCl}_2, \text{AlCl}_3$

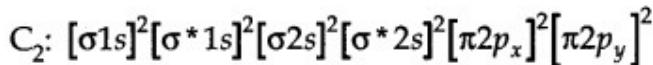
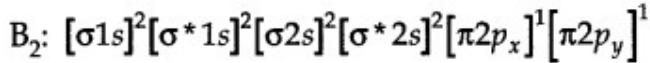
**Answer:**  $\text{NaCl} < \text{MgCl}_2 < \text{AlCl}_3$

**Question 11.** Define covalent bond according to orbital concept?

**Answer:** Covalent bond can be formed by the overlap of the orbitals belonging to the two atoms having opposite spins of electrons.

**Question 12.** Why  $\text{B}_2$  is paramagnetic in nature while  $\text{C}_2$  is not?

**Answer:** The molecular orbital electronic configuration of both  $\text{B}_2$  and  $\text{C}_2$  are.



Since,  $B_2$  has two impaired electrons,  $B_2$  is paramagnetic.

$C_2$  has no unpaired electron. Thus,  $C_2$  is diamagnetic.

**Question 13. Why ethyl alcohol is completely miscible with water?**

**Answer:** This is because ethyl alcohol forms H-bonds with water.

**Question 14. Which is more polar  $CO_2$  or  $N_2O$ ? Give reason.**

**Answer:**  $N_2O$  is more polar than  $CO_2$ .

This is "because  $CO_2$  is linear and symmetrical. Its net dipole moment is zero.

$N_2O$  is linear but not symmetrical. It has a net dipole moment of sigma II6D.

**Question 15. State the types of hybrid orbitals associated with (i) P in  $PCl_5$  and (ii) S in  $SF_6$**

**Answer:** (i)  $sp^3d$  of P in  $PCl_5$  (ii)  $sp^3d^2$  of S in  $SF_6$

**Question 16. Why  $N_2$  is more stable than  $O_2$ ? Explain on the basis of molecular orbital theory.**

**Answer:** Bond order of  $N_2$  (= 3) is greater than that of  $O_2$  (= 2).

**Question 17. How is bond order related to bond length of a molecule?**

**Answer:** Bond length is inversely proportional to bond order.

**Question 18. Out of bonding and antibonding molecular orbitals, which one has lower energy and which one has higher stability?**

**Answer:** Bonding molecular orbital has lower energy and higher stability.

**Question 19. Define antibonding molecular orbital.**

**Answer:** The molecular orbital formed by the subtractive effect of the electron waves of the combining atomic orbitals, is called antibonding molecular orbital.

**Question 20. Name the two conditions which must be satisfied for hydrogen bonding to take place in a molecule.**

**Answer:** (i) The molecule should contain highly electronegative atom like hydrogen atom. (ii) The size of electronegative atom should be small.

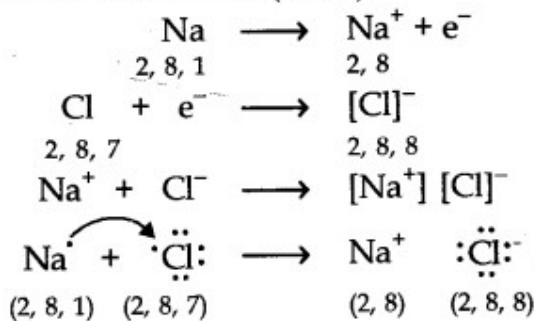
## II. Short Answer Type Questions

**Question 1. What is an electrovalent (or ionic) bond? Explain its formation with two examples.**

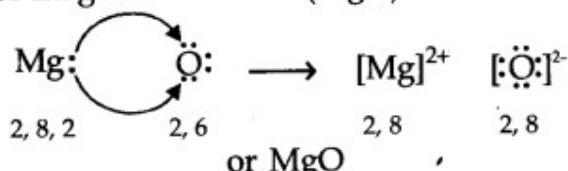
**Answer:** When a chemical bond is formed by the complete transfer of electrons from one atom to another, so as to complete their outermost shell and therefore, acquire the stable noble gas configuration, the bond formed is called ionic bond or electrovalent bond.

### For Example,

(i) Formation of sodium chloride (NaCl)

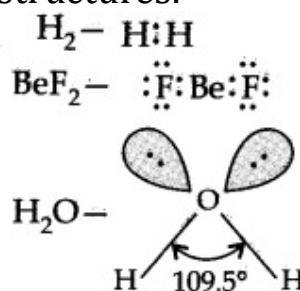


(ii) Formation of magnesium oxide ( $MgO$ )



**Question 2. What are Lewis structures? Write the Lewis structure of H<sub>2</sub>, BeF<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O.**

**Answer:** The outer shell electrons are shown as dots surrounding the symbol of the atom. These symbols are known as Lewis symbols or Lewis structures.



**Question 3. Define Lattice energy. How is Lattice energy influenced by (i) Charge on the ions (ii) Size of the ions?**

**Answer:** Lattice energy is defined as the energy released when one mole of crystalline solid is formed by the combination of oppositely charged ions.

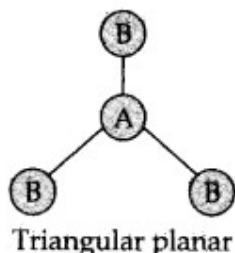
- (i) As the magnitude of charge on an ion increases there will be greater force of interionic attraction and hence greater will be the value of Lattice energy,
- (ii) Smaller the size of the ions > lower will be the internuclear distance and thus greater will be the Lattice energy,

**Question 4. Give the shapes of the following molecules:**

(i)  $\text{AB}_3$  (ii)  $\text{AB}_4$

Answer:

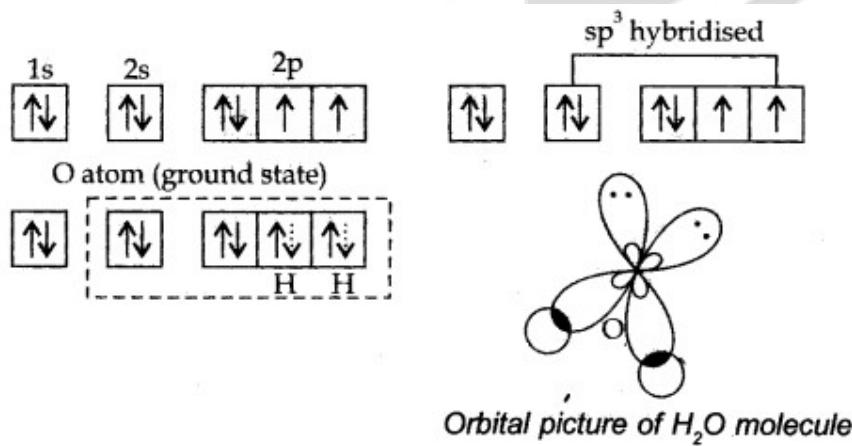
(i)

(ii)  $\text{AB}_4$  – Tetrahedral

**Question 5.** Define Hybridisation. Explain  $\text{sp}$  hybridisation with suitable example.

**Answer:** Hybridisation: It is the phenomenon of intermixing of atomic orbitals of slightly different energies to form new hybrid orbitals of equivalent energy,

Formation of water. In water ( $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) the atomic number of oxygen is 8 and its orbitals electronic configuration is  $1\text{s}^2 2\text{s}^2 2\text{p}_x^2 2\text{p}_y^1 2\text{p}_z^1$ . The oxygen atom is also  $\text{SP}^3$  hybridised. However, in this case, the two orbitals with one electron each (half filled) are involved in overlap with the hydrogen orbitals.



**Question 6.** Account for the following:

- (i) Water is a liquid while  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$  is a gas
- (ii)  $\text{NH}_3$  has higher boiling point than  $\text{PH}_3$ .

**Answer:** (i) In case of water hydrogen bonding causes association of the  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  molecules. There is no such hydrogen bonding in  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$ , that's why it is a gas.

(ii) There is hydrogen bonding in  $\text{NH}_3$  but not in  $\text{PH}_3$ .

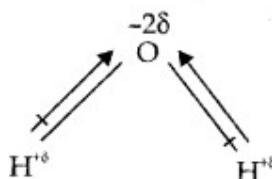
**Question 7.** What do you mean by Dipole moment? Draw the dipole diagram of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .

**Answer:** The product of magnitude of charges (+ve, or -ve) and distance

between them is called dipole moment. It is usually denoted by  $\mu$ .

$$\mu = Q \times d$$

Its SI unit is Debye.



$$\mu = 1.84 \text{ D}$$

**Question 8. What are the main postulates of Valence Shell Electron Pair Repulsion (VSEPR) theory?**

**Answer:**

- The shape of a molecule depends upon the no. of electron pairs around the central atom.
- There is a repulsive force between the electron pairs, which tend to repel one another.
- The electron pairs in space tend to occupy such positions that they are at maximum distance so, that the repulsive force will be minimum.
- A multiple bond is treated as if it is single bond and the remaining electron pairs which constitute the bond may be regarded as single super pair.

**Question 9. Define bond order. How is it related to the stability of a molecule?**

**Answer:** Bond order is defined as half of the difference between the number of electrons present in bonding and antibonding molecular orbitals.

$$\text{Bond order (B.O.)} = 1/2[N_b - N_a] z$$

If the bond order is positive ( $N_b > N_a$ ), the molecule or ion will be stable. If it is negative ( $N_b < N_a$ ) the molecule or ion will be unstable.

**Question 10. Explain the diamagnetic behaviour of  $P_2$  molecule on the basis of molecular orbital theory.**

**Answer:**

The orbital electronic configuration of fluorine ( $Z = 9$ )

$$= 1s^2 2s^2 2p_x^2 2p_y^2 2p_z^1$$

$$\text{M.O.E.C. of fluorine} = [\sigma 2s]^2 [\sigma^* 2s]^2 [\sigma 2p_z]^2 [\pi^2 p_x]^2 [\pi 2p_y]^2 [\pi^* 2p_x]^2 [\pi^* 2p_y]^2$$

Due to presence of all filled orbitals,  $F_2$  is diamagnetic.

## III. Long Answer Type Questions

Question 1. (a) Explain the formation of ionic bond with two examples.

(b) Discuss the conditions which favour the formation of ionic bond.

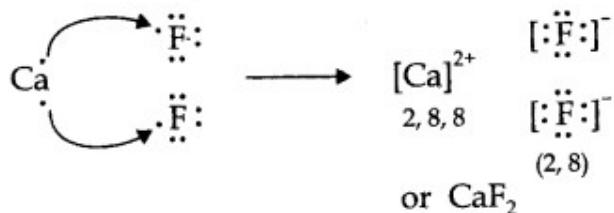
Answer: (a) An ionic or electrovalent bond is formed by the complete transference of one or more electrons from one atom to another.

**Examples:**

(i) **Formation of (NaCl)**



(ii) **Formation of (CaF<sub>2</sub>)**



(b) **Conditions favourable for the formation of ionic bond:**

(i) Lesser the ionization enthalpy, easier will be the removal of an electron i.e., formation of a positive ion and hence greater the chances of formation of ionic bond.

(ii) Higher is the electron affinity, more is the energy released and stabler will be the negative ion produced. Consequently, the probability of formation of ionic bond will be enhanced.

**Question 2. (a) Define dipole moment. What are the units of dipole moment?**

**(b) Dipole moment values help in predicting the shapes of covalent molecules. Explain.**

**Answer: (a) Dipole moment:** In a polar molecule, one end bears a positive charge and the other has a negative charge. Thus, the molecule has two poles with equal magnitude of the charges. The molecule is known as dipolar molecule and possesses dipole moment.

It is defined as the product of the magnitude of the positive or negative charge and the distance between the charges.  $\mu$  (dipole moment) =  $q \times d$   
SI unit of dipole moment is coulomb metre (m) or Debye.

**(b) The dipole moment values are quite helpful in determining the general**

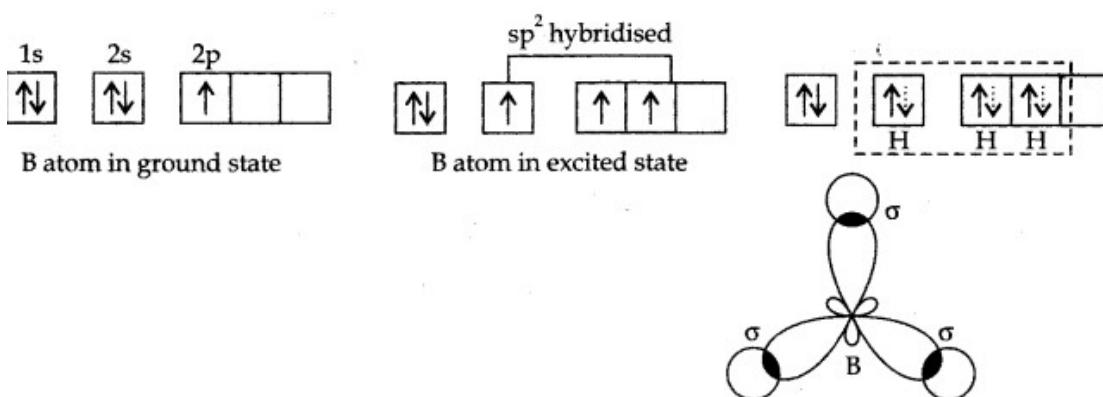
shapes of molecules.

For molecules with zero dipole moment, shapes will be either linear or symmetrical. For Example.  $\text{BeF}_2$   $\text{CO}_2$ etc. Molecules that possess dipole moments, their shape will not be symmetrical.

**Question 3.** Discuss the orbital structures of the following molecules on the basis of hybridisation, (i)  $\text{BH}_3$  (ii)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$

**Answer:**

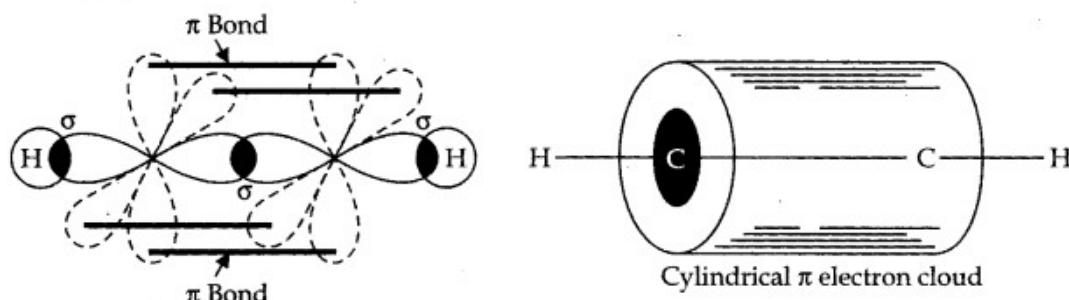
(i) **Formation of  $\text{BH}_3$**  (atomic No. of B is 5.)



Orbital picture of  $\text{BH}_3$  molecule

B atom gets hybridised to form three equivalent hybrid orbitals directed towards three corners of equilateral triangle with B atoms in the centre. Bond angle =  $120^\circ$ .

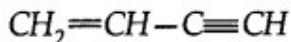
(ii)  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_2$



Orbital picture of ethyne

Both the carbon atoms are  $\text{sp}$  hybridised. Both the carbon atoms have also two unhybridised orbitals which overlap sidewise with the similar orbitals of the other carbon atom to form two  $\pi$  bonds.

**Question 4.** (a) How many  $\sigma$  and  $\pi$  bonds are present in

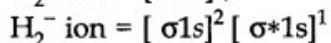
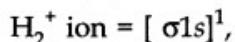


(b) Why  $\text{Hf}$  is more stable than  $\text{H}_2$ ?

(c) Why is  $\text{B}_2$  molecule paramagnetic?

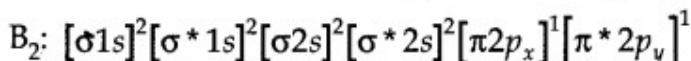
**Answer:** (a) No. of c bonds = 7

(b) Both the ions have the same bond order (0.5) but they differ in their configuration.



Since,  $\text{H}_2^-$  ion has an electron in the antibonding molecular orbital, it is therefore less stable.

(c) The molecular orbital configuration of  $\text{B}_2$  is given



Since,  $\text{B}_2$  has two unpaired electrons, it is paramagnetic.

#### IV. Multiple Choice Questions

**Question 1.** A co-ordinate bond is formed by:

(a) sharing of electrons contributed by both the atoms

(b) complete transfer of electrons

(c) sharing of electrons contributed by one atom only (d) none of these

**Question 2.** The species  $\text{CO}$ ,  $\text{CN}^-$  and  $\text{N}_2$  are:

(a) isoelectronic (b) having coordinated bond

(c) having polar bond (d) having low bond energies

**Question 3.** The axial overlap between the two orbitals leads to the formation of a:

(a) sigma bond (b) pi bond (c) multiple bond (d) none of these

**Question 4.** In  $\text{SO}_2$  molecule, S atom is:

(a)  $\text{sp}^3$  hybridized (b)  $\text{sp}$  hybridized (c)  $\text{sp}^2$  hybridized (d)  $\text{d sp}^2$  hybridized

**Question 5.** A molecule or ion is stable if:

(a)  $\text{Nb} = \text{Na}$  (b)  $\text{Nb} < \text{Na}$  (c)  $\text{Na} < \text{Nb}$  (d)  $\text{Na} - \text{Nb} = + \text{ve}$

**Question 6.** The molecule  $\text{Ne}_2$  does not exist because

(a)  $\text{Nb} > \text{Na}$  (b)  $\text{Nb} = \text{Na} +$  (c)  $\text{Nb} < \text{Na}$  (d) None of these

**Question 7.** Which one is diamagnetic among  $\text{NO}^+$ ,  $\text{NO}$  and  $\text{NO}^-$ ?

(a)  $\text{NO}^+$  (b)  $\text{NO}$  (c)  $\text{NO}^-$  (d) None of these

**Question 8.** In  $\text{sp}^3$ ,  $\text{sp}^2$  and  $\text{sp}$  hybridized carbon atom, the p character is maximum in:

(a)  $\text{sp}^3$  (b)  $\text{sp}^2$

(c)  $\text{sp}$  (d) all of the above have same p-character

**Question 9.** Out of the following, intramolecular hydrogen bonding exists in:

(a) water (b)  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$  (c) 4-nitrophenol (d) 2-nitrophenol

**Answer:** 1. (c) 2. (a) 3. (a) 4. (c) 5. (c)

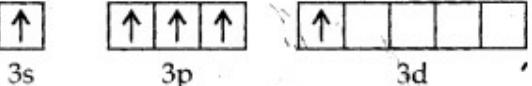
6. (b) 7. (a) 8. (a) 9. (d)

## V. HOTS Questions

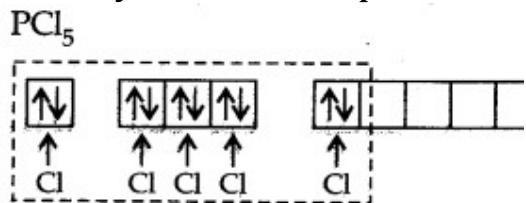
**Question 1.** Describe the hybridisation in case of  $\text{PCl}_5$ . Why are the axial bonds longer as compared to equatorial bonds?

**Answer:** The ground state and excited state outer electronic configurations of phosphorus ( $Z = 15$ ) are:

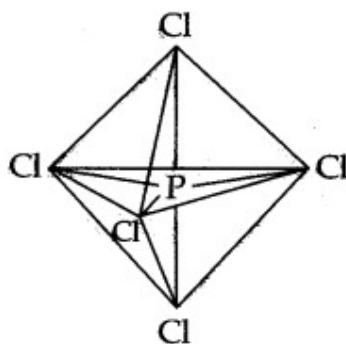
Ground state: 

Excited state: 

Phosphorus atom is  $\text{sp}^3 \text{d}$  hybridized in the excited state. These orbitals are filled by the electron pairs donated by five Cl atoms as:



The five  $\text{sp}^3 \text{d}$  hybrid orbitals are directed towards the five corners of the trigonal bipyramidal. Hence, the geometry of  $\text{PCl}_5$  can be represented as: There are five P-Cl sigma bonds in  $\text{PCl}_5$ . Three P-Cl bonds lie in one plane and make an angle of  $120^\circ$  with each other.



These bonds are called equatorial bonds. The remaining two P-Cl bonds lie above and below the equatorial plane and make an angle of  $90^\circ$  with the plane. These bonds are called axial bonds.

As the axial bond pairs suffer more repulsion from the equatorial bond pairs, axial bonds are slightly longer than equatorial bonds.

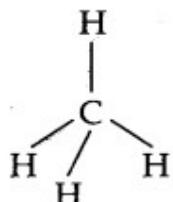
**Question 2.** Apart from tetrahedral geometry, another possible geometry for  $\text{CH}_4$  is square planar with the four H atoms at the corners of the square and the C atom at its centre. Explain why  $\text{CH}_4$  is not square planar?

**Answer:** Electronic configuration of carbon atom: C: sigma  $1s^2 2s^2 2p^2$ .

In the excited state, the orbital picture of carbon can be represented as:



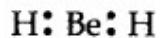
Hence, carbon atom undergoes  $sp^3$  hybridization in  $CH_4$  molecule and takes a tetrahedral shape.



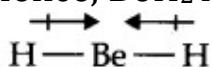
For a square planar shape, the hybridization of the central atom has to be  $dsp^3$ . However, an atom of carbon does not have d-orbitals to undergo  $dsp^3$  hybridization. Hence, the structure of the  $CH_4$  is tetrahedral.

**Question 3.** Explain why the  $BeH_2$  molecule has a zero dipole moment although the Be-H bonds are polar.

**Answer:** The Lewis structure for  $BeH_2$  is as follows:



There is no lone pair at the central atom (Be) and there are two bond pairs. Hence,  $BeH_2$  is of the type AB2. It has a linear structure,



Dipole moments of each H — Be bond are equal and are in opposite directions. Therefore, they nullify each other. Hence,  $BeH_2$  has a zero dipole moment.