

# Older Bonding Concepts (CB III)

- VSEPR
- Lewis Diagrams
- Formal Charge

Ref 1: 4 - 7, 16

Prob 8<sup>th</sup> Ed 1: 3, 28 -30  
9<sup>th</sup> Ed 1: 3, 27 -29  
HMWK #4

Adv Rdg 2 : 3, 4

## VSEPR Theory

(Valence Shell Electron Pair Repulsion)

- predicts: 3D shape of molecules
- principle:  $e^-$  clouds will spread  
as far apart as possible

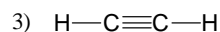
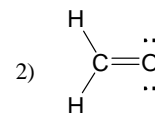
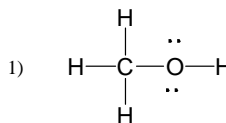
$e^-$  cloud ( = “effective pair”) can be

- bonding assembly ( single, double, triple bond)
- lone pair (non-bonding)
- single  $e^-$  (  $\pm$  ?)

### VSEPR

Expected Geometries	
# of $e^-$ clouds	cloud arrangement
4	
3	
2	

### Practice: $e^-$ clouds, geometry, hybridization



## Octet Rule

“molecule is stable

if each atom is surrounded by 8 valence  $e^-$ 's”,

esp. valid for C, N, O

Ex.  $\text{CO}_2$

### Modifications

“element”

stable with

H

group 2 (Be, Mg)

group 13 (B, Al)

row 3 + (P, S, ...)

N.B.: 1.)

2.)

## Lewis Structures

( $e^-$  dot diagrams)

general derivation:

- account for all valence  $e^-$ 's,
- adhere to “octet rule”

(in CHEM 101 get elaborate rules;  
a simpler approach is sufficient in Organic:  
trial & error; will become intuitive)

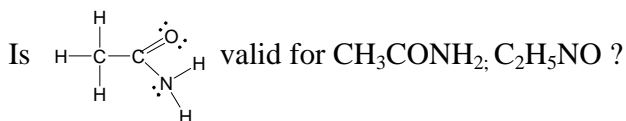
Lewis structure shows

- all valence  $e^-$ 's
- bonding  $e^-$ 's as dashes
- non-bonding  $e^-$ 's as dots (*often omitted !!*)
- place + and – charges

### Required Skills:

1. Is proposed Lewis structure valid?
2. Given atom connection, place  $e^-$ 's.

### Practice



## Formal Charge (F.C.)

shows charge on *individual* atom(s)

is due to difference in charge between

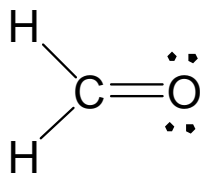
- # of  $e^-$ 's associated w/ atom in cmpd &
- # of  $e^-$ 's in neutral atom

“ associated  $e^-$ 's ”:

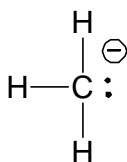
all non-bonding $e^-$ 's + $\frac{1}{2}$ of bonding $e^-$ 's
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## F. C. Practice

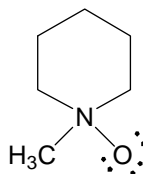
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## F.C. Practice



## CB III Summary

Definition of  $e^-$  cloud

Derivation of Hybridization/Geometry

4 clouds, tetrahedral,  $sp^3$

3 clouds, trig. planar,  $sp^2$

2 clouds, linear,  $sp$

Octet Rule, incl. modifications

Lewis structures:

dashes, lone pairs, F.C.'s

Determine F.C.'s