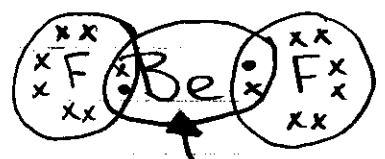


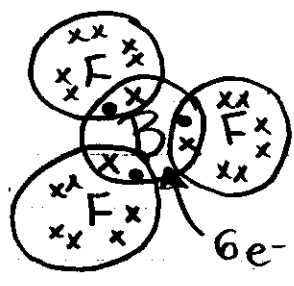
Examples of Lewis Dot Diagrams - Bonding. March. 25 2010.

BeF₂



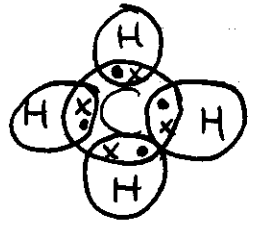
base shape: linear
 actual shape: linear
 bond angle: 180°

BF₃



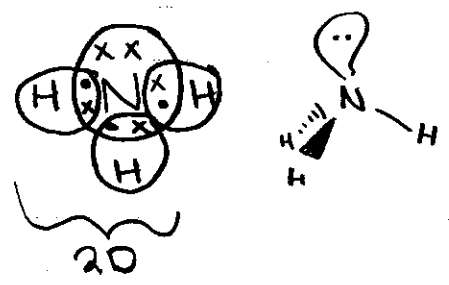
base shape: trigonal planar
 actual shape: trigonal planar
 bond angle: 120°

CH₄



base shape: tetrahedral
 actual shape: tetrahedral
 bond angle: 109.5°

NH₃

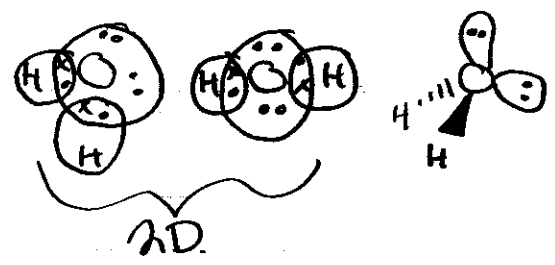


base shape: tetrahedral
 actual shape: pyramidal
 bond angle: < 109.5° (107°)

★ base shape = sigma + lone
 actual shape = sigma only ★

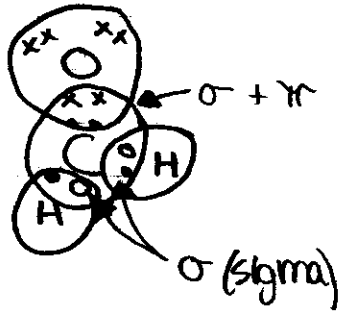
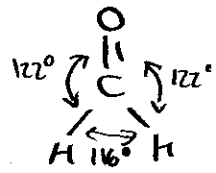
★ base shape and actual shape are different only if lone pair is present on the central atom ★

H₂O



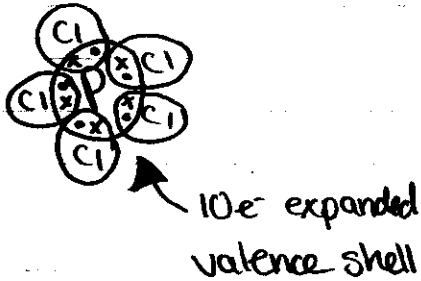
base shape: tetrahedral
 actual shape: angular
 bond angle: < 109.5° (104.5°)

Formaldehyde.
 $H_2C=O$



base shape: trigonal planar
actual shape: trigonal planar
bond angle: $\sim 120^\circ$

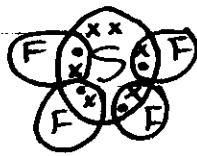
PCl_5



base shape: trigonal bipyramidal
actual shape: trigonal bipyramidal
bond angle: $90^\circ + 120^\circ$

truncation
to make
1 lone pair

SF_4



base shape: trigonal bipyramid
actual shape: seesaw
bond angle: $< 90^\circ + < 120^\circ$

ClF_3



base shape: trigonal bipyramid
actual shape: T-shaped
bond angle: $< 90^\circ$