

# Chem 4A Scholars Worksheet 11

## MO Diagrams and VSEPR Revisited

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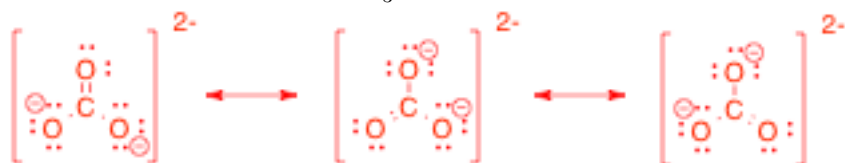
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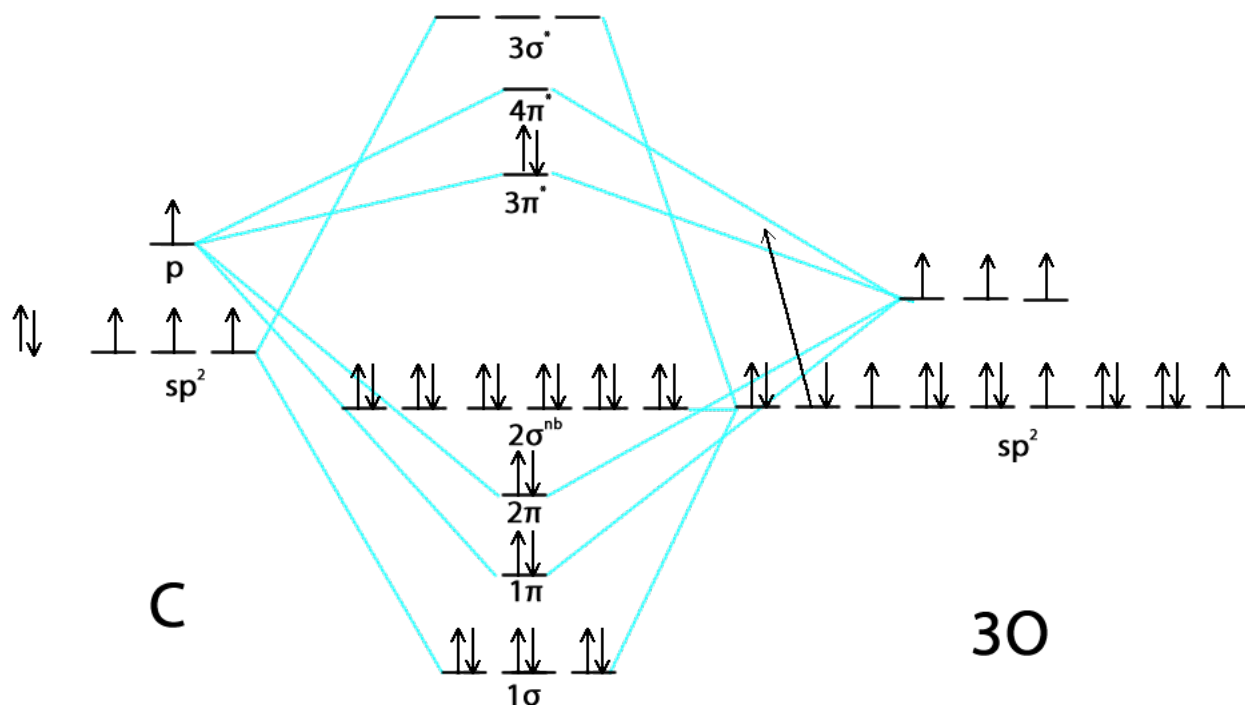
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### Questions:

1. Draw the lewis structure for  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ .



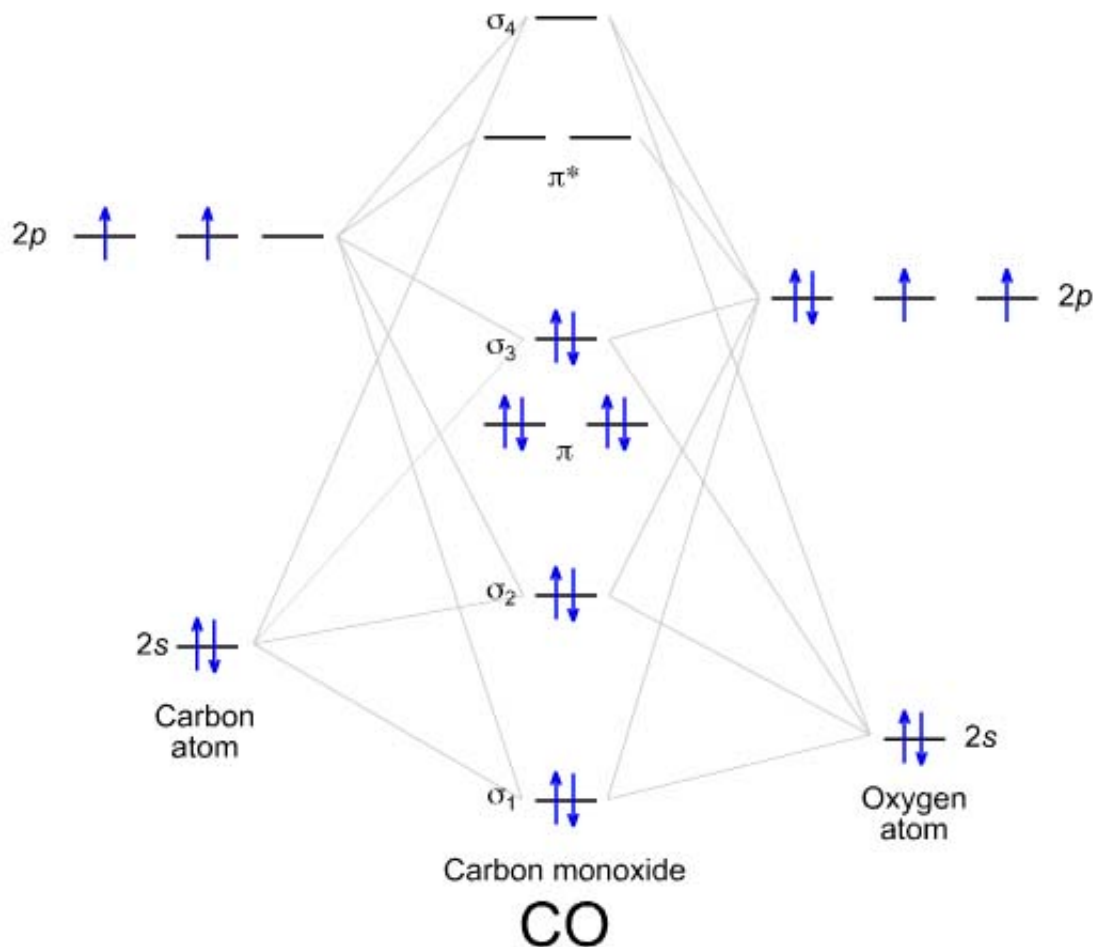
Draw the MO diagram for  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ .



Is  $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$  paramagnetic or diamagnetic?

Diamagnetic

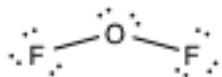
2. Draw the molecular interaction diagram for CO, determine its bond order, and its magnetism.



It's diamagnetic, bond order is 3. What about  $\text{CO}^+$  and  $\text{CO}^-$ ? And which one is more stable among the three?

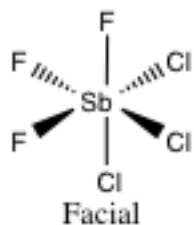
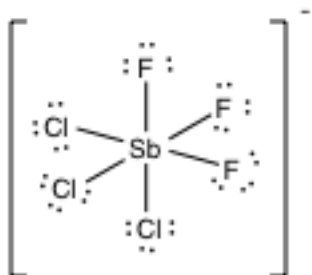
Both have 2.5 bond order, and are paramagnetic.

3. Draw the Lewis structure for  $\text{OF}_2$ , determine the SN, and determine its molecular geometry.



SN=2, it is bent.

Draw the Lewis structure and molecular geometries  $\text{SbCl}_3\text{F}_3^-$



You may notice that the above ion has two possible molecular geometries, which one is more stable, and why?

Meridional is more stable because it gives larger angle between Cls. Because Cl is less electronegative than F, the electrons in Sb-Cl bond is closer to Sb, thus takes up more space.

Rank the the following angles from lowest to highest:

$\angle\text{HOH}$ ,  $109.5^\circ$ ,  $\angle\text{FOF}$ ,  $90^\circ$ ,  $\angle\text{FSbF}$ ,  $\angle\text{ClSbCl}$ ,  $\angle\text{HCH}$  in  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$

$\angle\text{FSbF} < 90^\circ < \angle\text{ClSbCl} < \angle\text{FOF} < \angle\text{HOH} < 109.5^\circ < \angle\text{HCH}$  in  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$