

This Class

5.4 Polyatomic Molecules

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Chap 6 Acid and Bases

1. Draw a Lewis Structure.
2. Use VSEPR rules to determine geometry
3. Determine the Pt. Group for the molecule
4. Determine the symmetry of the SALC's for the orbitals on the atoms at the periphery
 - A. Find reducible representations for each set
 1. Just H atoms just SALC's made from 1s
 2. Second row elements SALCs from 2s, and 2p's
 - 2px's interact with 2px
 - 2py with 2py
 - 2pz with 2pz
 - B. Find irreducible representations for each set of SALC's
5. Read off the symmetry of the orbitals on the atom at the center of the molecule
 - Look in the "function" columns x for px, y for py, and z for pz
 - Look in the second function column for xy, xz, yz, z², and X²+y²
 - s orbitals are always symmetrical with respect to every symmetry operation
6. Match up symmetry appropriate orbitals and make reasonable predictions about interactions
 - orbitals close in E interact strongly
 - orbitals far away in E interact weakly

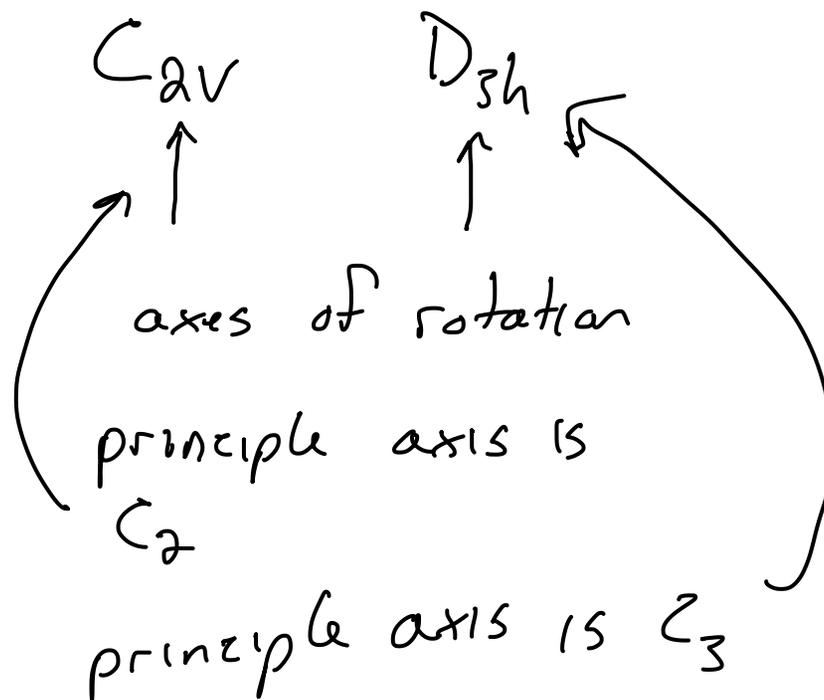
Pt. Grp.?



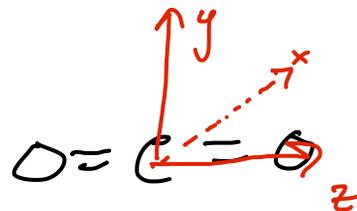
D_{∞h}
 ↑
 infinity?

C_{∞v}

D_{2h} as a
 stand in



MO Diagram for CO₂



Symmetry of O's 2s SALCs?

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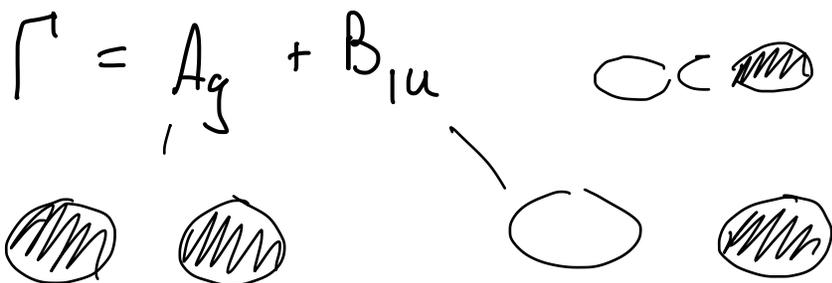
D _{2h}	E	C ₂ (z)	C ₂ (y)	C ₂ (x)	i	σ _h (xy)	σ _d (xz)	σ _d (yz)		
A _g	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		x ² , y ² , z ²
B _{1g}	1	1	-1	-1	1	1	-1	-1	R _z	xy
B _{2g}	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	R _y	xz
B _{3g}	1	-1	-1	1	1	-1	-1	1	R _x	yz
A _u	1	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1		
B _{1u}	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1	1	1	z	
B _{2u}	1	-1	1	-1	-1	1	-1	1	y	
B _{3u}	1	-1	-1	1	-1	1	1	-1	x	

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Γ 2 2 ○ ○ ○ ○ 2 2

↑ ↑ ↑ ↑
 both O atoms
 changed position

looked for something to add to A_g to "cancel out" the middle 4 Γ's



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Symmetry for O's 2p SALCs?

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B _{2g}	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	R _y	xz
B _{3g}	1	-1	-1	1	1	-1	-1	1	R _x	yz
A _u	1	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1		
B _{1u}	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1	1	1	z	
B _{2u}	1	-1	1	-1	-1	1	-1	1	y	
B _{3u}	1	-1	-1	1	-1	1	1	-1	x	

1st row

2p_x

2 -2 0 0 0 0 2 -2

B_{2g} + B_{3u}

not A_g A_u B_{1g}

2nd row

2p_y

2 -2 0 0 0 0 -2 2

B_{3g} + B_{2u}

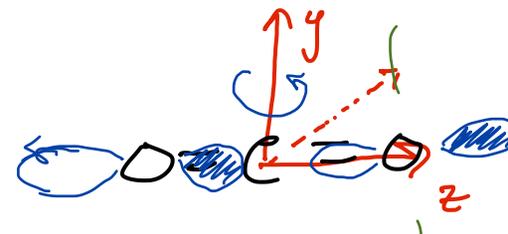
not A_g A_u B_{1u}

3rd row

2p_z

2 2 0 0 0 0 2 2

A_g = B_{1u}



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Symmetry matches with C's orbitals?

D _{2h}	E	C ₂ (z)	C ₂ (y)	C ₂ (x)	<i>i</i>	σ _h (xy)	σ _d (xz)	σ _d (yz)		
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B _{1g}	1	1	-1	-1	1	1	-1	-1	R _z	xy
B _{2g}	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	R _y	xz
B _{3g}	1	-1	-1	1	1	-1	-1	1	R _x	yz
A _u	1	1	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1		
B _{1u}	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1	1	1	z	
B _{2u}	1	-1	1	-1	-1	1	-1	1	y	
B _{3u}	1	-1	-1	1	-1	1	1	-1	x	

C 2p_x ? B_{3u}

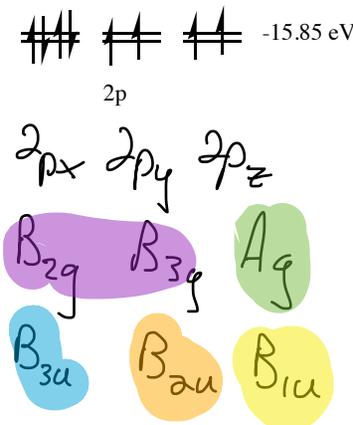
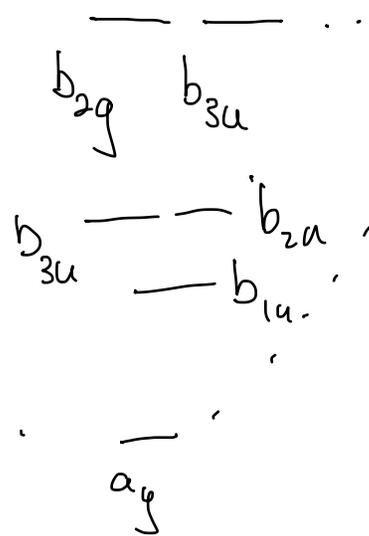
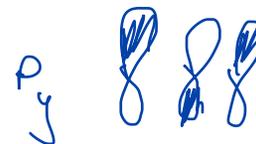
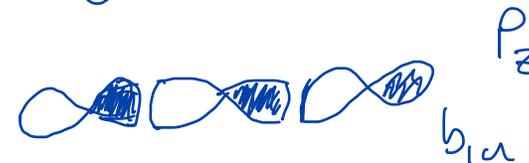
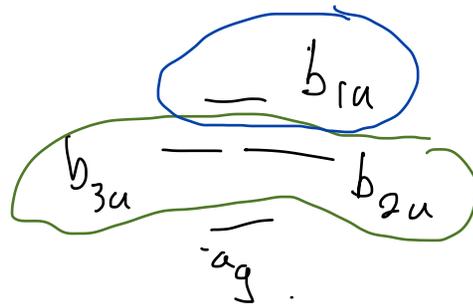
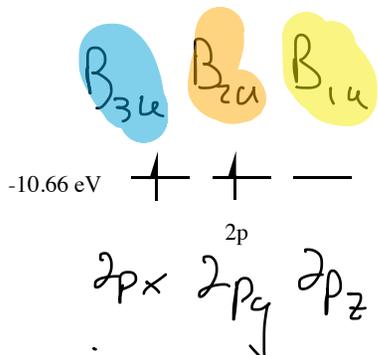
C's 2p_y is B_{2u}

C's 2p_z is B_{1u}

C's 2s ? A_g

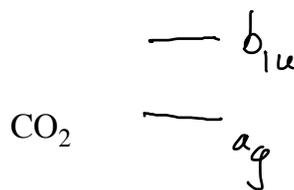
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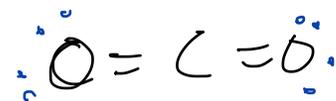
no symmetry match
so non bonding

C

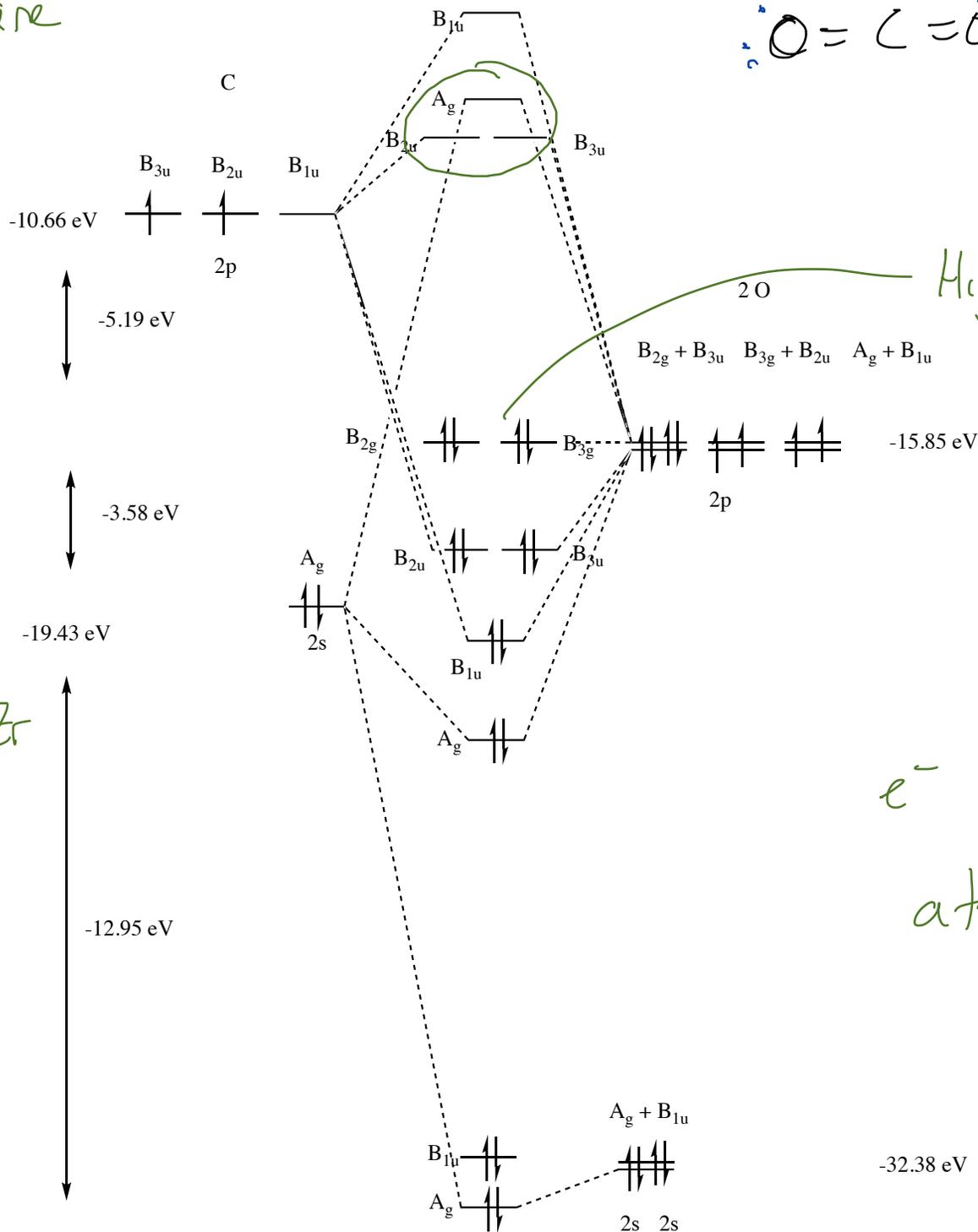


too far away in E to interact strongly
weak interaction

LUMO's are
C based



e⁻ rich
atom attack
C



Highest Occupied
Molecular
Orbitals are
O atom
based

e⁻ poor atom
attack O

