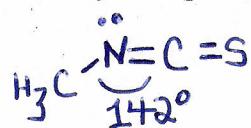


**Chemistry 6011 (Fall 2016)**  
**Advanced Inorganic Chemistry I**  
**Exam 1**  
**Name:**

Show your work for maximum credit.

1. (10 points) In the methyl isothiocyanate molecule,  $\text{H}_3\text{CN}=\text{C=S}$ , the bond angle at nitrogen is  $142^\circ$ . However, in the silyl isothiocyanate molecule,  $\text{H}_3\text{SiN}=\text{C=S}$ , the bond angle at nitrogen is  $180^\circ$ . Explain why with pictures.



C is from  $n=2$  and has no d-orbitals to expand its valence. Therefore it would be four coordinate. The N would have 2 bonded pairs and one lone pair to give a bent structure.



Si is from n=3 and has d-orbitals to expand its valency. It can accept the lone pair that would be on the N into a d-orbital and form a double with N.

2. (10 points) a. Explain the following observation: In the following series of compounds, the stretching frequency of PO varies as follows:

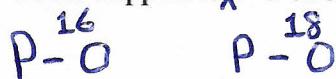
Compounds	P-O stretch ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )
$\text{H}_3\text{PO}$	1200
$\text{Me}_3\text{PO}$	1176
$\text{Cl}_3\text{PO}$	1295
$\text{F}_3\text{PO}$	1404

These data show the phenomenon of  $d_{\pi\pi}$ - $p_{\pi\pi}$  back bonding and how substituents can effect the stability of the bond.  $\text{E}^-$ -withdrawing ones strengthen the P-O bond via back bonding and increase the P-O stretching frequency.



$\leftarrow \text{e}^-$   
density     $\leftarrow$  Stronger  $d_{\pi\pi}$ - $p_{\pi\pi}$  interaction

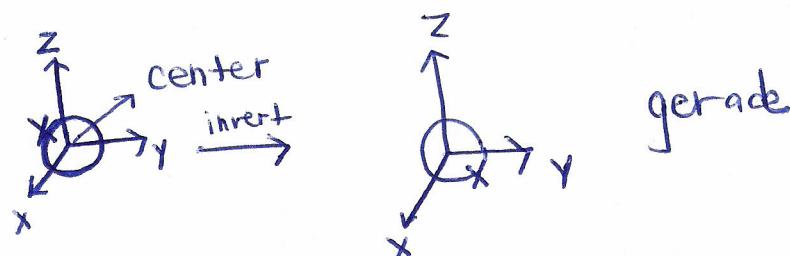
- b. What would happen to P-O stretches if the O was changed to the 18-O isotope?



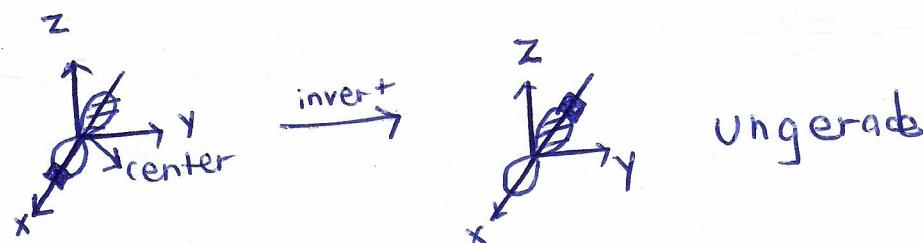
$\text{P}-\ddot{\text{O}}$   
 Mass of this bond would increase and the  
 $\text{P-O}$  stretching frequency would decrease.

3. (10 points) Draw the following orbitals on the x, y, z coordinate system and show whether they are gerade or ungerade.

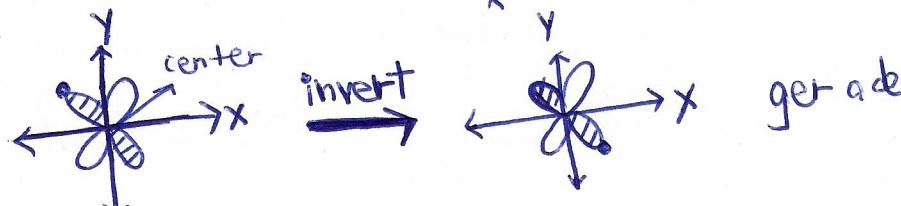
a. s orbital



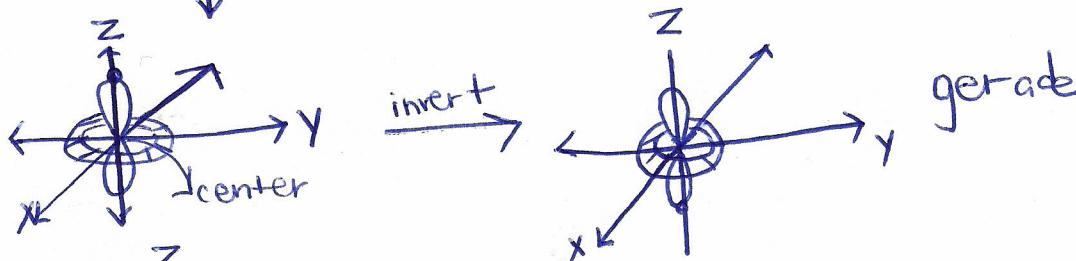
b. p<sub>x</sub> orbital



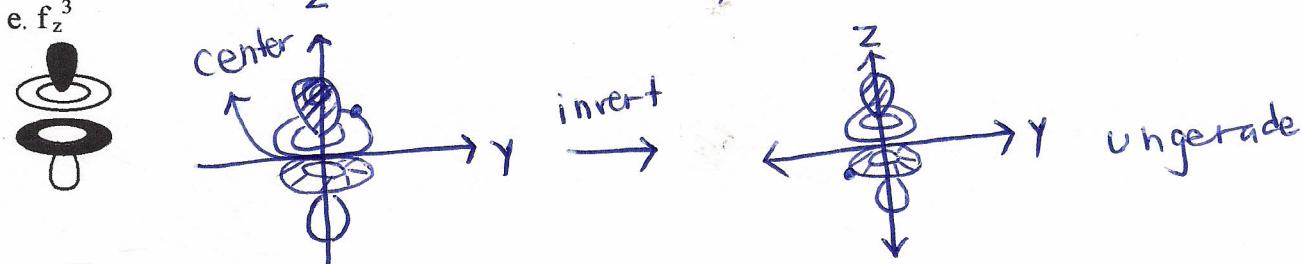
c. d<sub>xy</sub> orbital



d. d<sub>z^2</sub>



e. f<sub>z^3</sub>



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4. (10 points) Why are Se(VI) compounds less stable than those of S(VI) and Te(VI)?

This is due to the ~~s~~ <sup>Scandide</sup> contraction. The 3d orbitals are ~~poor~~ shielders and the 4s + 4p e<sup>-</sup> are more tightly held than expected.

5. (10 points) Answer the following questions using the character table for the  $S_4$  point group.

$S_4$	E	$S_4$	$C_2$	$S_4^3$		
A	1	1	1	1	$R_z$	$x^2+y^2, z^2$
B	1	-1	1	-1	$z$	$x^2-y^2, xy$
E	1	i	-1	-i	(x,y); ( $R_x, R_y$ )	(xz, yz)
	1	-i	-1	i		

a. Would a molecule of this point group be chiral? Explain.

No because it has an  $S_4$  symmetry.

b. Would a molecule of this point group have a dipole moment? Explain.

Yes because no  $S_1$ , no i, and no more than one  $C_n$  ( $n > 1$ ).

c. What is the symmetry of the translations?

E: x + y

B: z

d. What is the symmetry of the rotations?

A:  $R_z$

E:  $R_x, R_y$

e. Why are there several sets of two basis functions in parenthesis for the E irreducible representation?

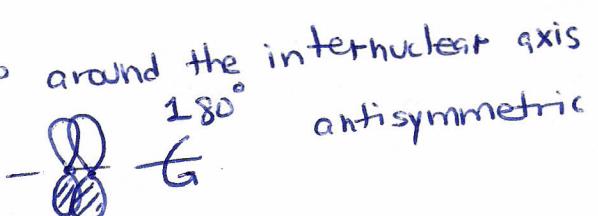
E is a doubly degenerate state and so the basis functions in parenthesis are doubly degenerate.

6. (5 points) How do you distinguish between a sigma and pi bond in terms of symmetry around the internuclear axis?

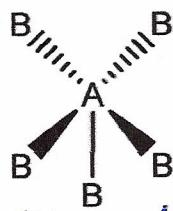
In  $\sigma$  bonds, rotations at any angle around the internuclear axis  $\Rightarrow$  maintains symmetry.



In  $\pi$  bonds, rotations at  $180^\circ$  around the internuclear axis does not maintain symmetry.



7. (30 points) Consider the molecule depicted below in which A is an element from n=3.

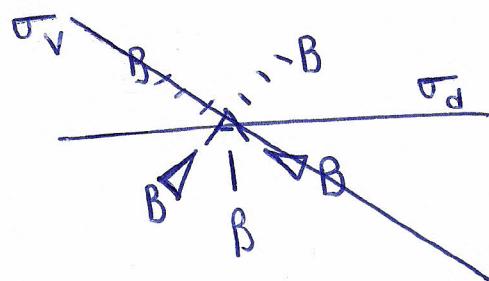
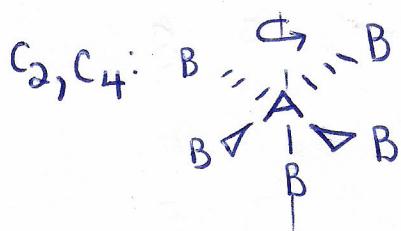


Charac. Contrib. 3

$C_{4v}$	E	$2C_4$	$C_2$	$\sigma_v$	$\sigma_d$		
$A_1$	1	1	1	1	1	z	$x^2+y^2, z^2$
$A_2$	1	1	1	-1	-1	$R_z$	
$B_1$	1	-1	1	1	-1		$x^2-y^2$
$B_2$	1	-1	1	-1	1		xy
E	2	0	-2	0	0	$(x,y); (R_x, R_y)$	$(xz, yz)$

a. Find one type of ALL of the symmetry elements/operations in the molecule and either describe their locations in words or draw them.

E: Keep the molecule in place



b. How many normal vibrational modes do you expect for this molecule?

$$3N-6 = 3(6)-6 = 12$$

Should get 12 normal modes.

c. Give the symmetries of the normal modes and say which will be IR or Raman active.

Basis set: All of the atoms  
 $3N = 18$  degrees of freedom

	$C_{4v}$	E	$2C_2$	$C_2$	$2\sigma_v$	$2\sigma_d$
Unmixed	6	2	2	4	2	
charac cont.	3	1	-1	1	1	
$\Gamma_{\text{red}} = 18$	2	-2	4	2		

$$A_1 = \frac{1}{8} [ (18 \times 1 \times 1) + (2 \times 1 \times 2) + (-2 \times 1 \times 1) + (4 \times 1 \times 2) + (2 \times 1 \times 2) ] = 4$$

$$A_2 = \frac{1}{8} [ 18 + 4 + -2 + -8 + -4 ] = 1$$

$$B_1 = \frac{1}{8} [ 18 + -4 + -2 + 8 + -4 ] = 2$$

$$B_2 = \frac{1}{8} [ 18 + -4 + -2 + -8 + 4 ] = 1$$

$$E = \frac{1}{8} [ 36 + 0 + 4 + 0 + 0 ] = 5$$

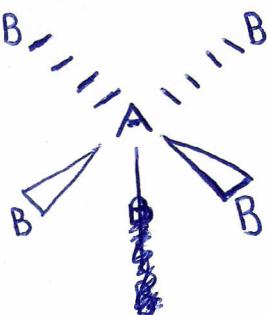
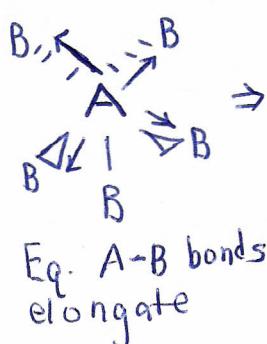
$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{\text{red}} &= 4A_1 + 1A_2 + 2B_1 + 1B_2 + 5E \\ &= A_1 + A_2 + E + E + E \end{aligned}$$

18 degrees of freedom   
translations   
rotations

$$= 3A_1 + 2B_1 + 1B_2 + 3E \quad 12 \text{ irred. rep. } \checkmark$$

$A_1$ : IR + Raman active       $B_2$ : Raman active  
 $B_1$ : Raman active       $E$ : IR + Raman active

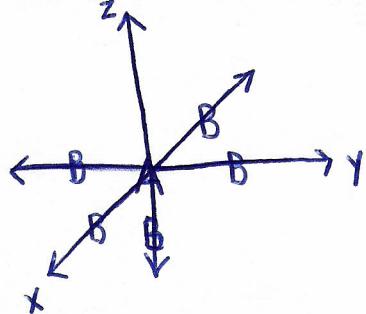
d. What is the symmetry for a symmetric stretch of the A-B bonds in the equatorial plane?



	$C_{4v}$	E	$2C_2$	$C_2$	$2\sigma_v$	$2\sigma_d$
	1	1	1	1	1	1

Symmetry:  $A_1$

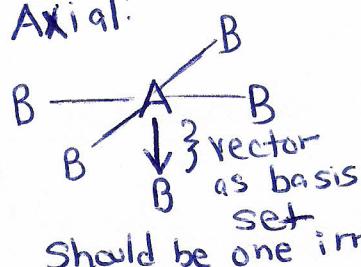
e. Use group theory to determine the orbital hybridization of the central atom. Determine which orbitals from the axial and equatorial bond positions contribute to the hybridization. Hint: Select a basis set for the axial sigma bonding and equatorial sigma bonding.



Remember to consider the directionality of the orbitals.

→ There are four σ bonds + ∴ 5 hybrid orbitals + 5 irred. rep. total.  
Hybridization should be  $dsp^3$  because created from five atomic orbitals.

Axial:



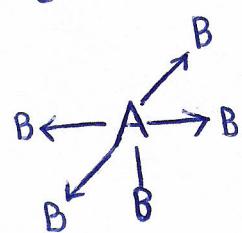
+1: Unpaired  
0: Paired

$q_1: \cancel{A}, \cancel{P_z}, \cancel{P_z}$

$P_z$  is lower in energy  
Not optimal directionality

Axial:  $p_z$

Equatorial



4 vectors: 4 irred. rep.

$C_{4V}$	E	$2C_4$	$C_2$	$2\sigma_v$	$2\sigma_d$
	4	0	0	2	0
E	4	2	0	-2	0

$$A_1 = \frac{1}{8} [(4 \times 1 \times 1) + (0) + (0) + (2 \times 1 \times 2) + (\cancel{0})] = 1$$

$$A_2 = \frac{1}{8} [4 + 0 + 0 + 0 + -4 + 0] = 0$$

$$B_1 = \frac{1}{8} [4 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 4 + 0] = 1$$

$$B_2 = \frac{1}{8} [4 + 0 + 0 + 0 + -4 + 0] = 0$$

$$E = \frac{1}{8} [8 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0] = 1$$

$$\text{Fred: } 1A_1 + 1B_1 + 1E$$

$E: d_{xz}, d_{yz}$  or  
 $P_x, P_y$   
Not correct directionality.

Equatorial:  $P_x, P_y, d_{x^2-y^2}, s$

In total,  
 $dsp^3$

f. Based on Bent's rule, in which position would a more electronegative ligand prefer to be located. Using your answer for part e to explain.

The more X ligand would prefer the axial position because from the analysis above, the bond has less s character. Also that position is more crowded and it would have to share less e- density.

$b_1: d_{x^2-y^2}$   
 $a_1: s, \cancel{P_x}, \cancel{P_y}$  Too high in energy  
Not correct directionality

8. (10 points) Identify **ALL** of the atomic states for the  $s^2 d^1$  electronic configuration and arrange these states in order of energy starting with the ground state.

$S^2 \boxed{b}^1$	$m_L$	$\frac{1}{+2}$	$\frac{-1}{+1}$	$\frac{0}{0}$	$\frac{-1}{-1}$	$\frac{-2}{-2}$	$N = \frac{10!}{1!(10-1)!} = 10$ microstates
full							
$M_L$	2 2 1 1 0 0 -1 -1 2 2						
$+2$	$\uparrow \downarrow$						$m_S$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $-\frac{1}{2}$
$+1$	$\uparrow \downarrow$	$\uparrow \downarrow$	$\uparrow \downarrow$	$\uparrow \downarrow$	$\uparrow \downarrow$	$\uparrow \downarrow$	$\boxed{\times}$ $\boxed{\times}$
$0$							$\boxed{\times}$ $\boxed{\times}$
$-1$							$\boxed{\times}$ $\boxed{\times}$
$-2$							$\boxed{\times}$ $\boxed{\times}$
$M_S$	$\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$						
$\square: L=2$	$D$	$E \uparrow$	$^2D \frac{5}{2}$	$^2D \frac{3}{2}$			$2(L)+1 = 5$ rows
Mult. = 2							$2(S)+1 = 2$ columns } atomic state
$J = L+S, \dots, LS = \frac{5}{2}, \frac{3}{2}$							valence orbitals are less than half-filled

9. (5 points) Fluorine is the most electronegative element and yet its electron affinity is not as high as you would predict based on periodic trends. Explain.

Due to F's small atomic radius the addition of an  $e^-$  would lead to a greater  $e^- e^-$  repulsion that would decrease its electron affinity.

Extra Credit:

1. (Explain) Between H<sup>-</sup> and F<sup>-</sup> which has

a. Higher atomic radius H<sup>-</sup>; experimentally observed

b. Higher ionization energy

H<sup>-</sup>; filled 1s orbital

c. Higher electron affinity

Should be comparable because they would not be drawn to an additional e<sup>-</sup>.

2. Determine the complete Russell-Saunders term symbols for all of the atomic states of this element and arrange them in order of energy using the microstate table below and properly show the ground state.

M <sub>L</sub>	M <sub>s</sub>	1.5	0.5	-0.5	-1.5
+5		(X)		(X)	
+4		XX		XX	
+3	X	XXX		XXX	X
+2	X	XXXXXX		XXXXXX	X
+1	XX	XXXXXX		XXXXXX	XX
0	XX	XXXXXX		XXXXXX	XX
-1	XX	XXXXXX		XXXXXX	XX
-2	X	XXXXXX		XXXXXX	X
-3	X	XXXX		XXXX	X
-4		XX		XX	
-5		(X)		(X)	

O: L=5 S=0.5 <sup>2</sup> 0 H      ✓: L=+1 S=0.5 <sup>4</sup> P  
Mult.: 2(S)+1=2

□: L=4 S=0.5 <sup>2</sup> 0 G

Δ: L=3 S=1.5 <sup>4</sup> F  
Mult.: 4/2

●: L=3 S=0.5 F

■: L=2 S=0.5 <sup>2</sup> D

▲: L=2 S=0.5 <sup>2</sup> D

X: L=+1 S=0.5 <sup>2</sup> P

E ↑

- <sup>2</sup> P
- - <sup>2</sup> D
- <sup>2</sup> F
- <sup>2</sup> G
- <sup>2</sup> H
- ① - <sup>4</sup> P
- ② - <sup>4</sup> F

I omitted the J terms.