

Laude's CH301 Worksheet 7: VB and MO

1. Use valence-bond theory to predict the hybridization and other properties of these compounds

Cmpd	Lewis structure	Hybridization of central atom	# of σ bonds	# of π bonds	Atomic orbits that form the σ and π bonds: Example: σ_{sp^2-1s}
CH ₄					
N ₂					
CO ₂					
NH ₃					
C ₂ H ₂					
SF ₆					
NH ₂ ⁻					

2. Build these compound using molecular orbital theory and predict

Compound	MO building		Bond order	Para or dia-magnetic?
Li ₂	Li	Li		
	2s ² ---	2s ² ---		
N ₂	N	N		
	2p ³ --- ----	2p ³ --- ----		
	2s ² ---	2s ² ---		

O_2	O	---	O		
	2p ³ -----	-----	2p ³ -----		
	2s ² ---	---	2s ² ---		
O_2^{2-}	O	---	O		
	2p ³ -----	-----	2p ³ -----		
	2s ² ---	---	2s ² ---		
F_2	F	---	F		
	2p ³ -----	-----	2p ³ -----		
	2s ² ---	---	2s ² ---		
CN^-	C	---	N-		
	2p ³ -----	-----	2p ³ -----		

3. Rank the bond energy and bond length for the 6 compounds in problem 2 based on bond order.

Increasing bond length:

Increasing bond energy: