Shape of Molecules

Hydrogen sulphide, H_2S, is a foul-smelling compound found in the gases from volcanoes. Hydrogen sulphide is covalent, melting at –85 °C and boiling at –60 °C.

(c) **(i)** Draw a 'dot-and-cross' diagram to show the structure of the H_2S molecule.

(ii) Predict the shape of the H_2S molecule.

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(c) **(i)** Sulfur dioxide and sulfur trioxide both contain only S=O double bonds.

Draw labelled diagrams to show the shapes of these two molecules.

SO_2 SO_3

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(ii) For your diagrams in **(i)**, name the shapes and suggest the bond angles.

SO_2 shape ..... SO_3 shape .....

SO_2 bond angle ..... SO_3 bond angle .....

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(iii) Suggest why using hydrazine as a rocket fuel could be regarded as being 'environmentally friendly'.

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(c) The bonding in hydrazine is similar to that in ammonia.

(i) Showing outer-shell electrons only, draw a 'dot-and-cross' diagram of an ammonia molecule.

(ii) Draw a diagram to show the three-dimensional shape of an ammonia molecule.

(iii) Draw a diagram to show the shape of a hydrazine molecule.
Show clearly which atom is joined to which and show clearly the value of **one** bond angle.

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(d) Deduce the oxidation state of nitrogen in hydrazine.

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A greenhouse gas which is present in very small amounts in the atmosphere is sulfur hexafluoride, SF_6, which is used in high voltage electrical switchgear.

(e) What shape is the SF_6 molecule?

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(f) Another sulfur compound which is present in the Earth's atmosphere is carbonyl sulfide, OCS. The sequence of atoms in the molecule is oxygen-carbon-sulfur and the molecule is **not** cyclic.

(i) Draw a 'dot-and-cross' diagram of the OCS molecule.
Show outer electrons only.

(ii) Suggest a value for the O–C–S bond angle.

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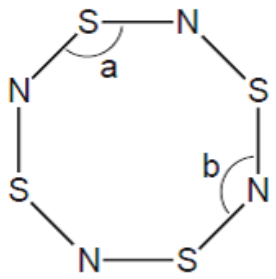
(c) Sulfur forms the compound S_4N_4 with nitrogen. The structure of S_4N_4 is shown below. Assume all bonds shown are single bonds.



(i) Determine the number of lone pairs of electrons around a nitrogen atom and a sulfur atom in S_4N_4.

nitrogen atom .....

sulfur atom .....

(ii) Which bond angle, a or b, in the S_4N_4 molecule will be smaller? Explain your answer.

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(e) Sulfur reacts with fluorine to form SF_6. State the shape and bond angle of SF_6.

shape of SF_6 .....

bond angle of SF_6 .....

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(e) Phosphorus reacts with chlorine to form PCl_5.

State the shape of and two different bond angles in a molecule of PCl_5.

shape of PCl_5 .....

bond angles in PCl_5 ....

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1 Carbon disulfide, CS_2, is a volatile, flammable liquid which is produced in small quantities in volcanoes.

(a) The sequence of atoms in the CS_2 molecule is sulfur to carbon to sulfur.

(i) Draw a 'dot-and-cross' diagram of the carbon disulfide molecule.
Show outer electrons only.

(ii) Suggest the shape of the molecule and state the bond angle.

shape .....

bond angle .....

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1 Valence Shell Electron Pair Repulsion theory (VSEPR) is a model of electron-pair repulsion (including lone pairs) that can be used to deduce the shapes of, and bond angles in, simple molecules.

(a) Complete the table below by using simple hydrogen-containing compounds. One example has been included.

number of bond pairs	number of lone pairs	shape of molecule	formula of a molecule with this shape
3	0	trigonal planar	BH_3
4	0		
3	1		
2	2		

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(b) Tellurium, Te, proton number 52, is used in photovoltaic cells.

When fluorine gas is passed over tellurium at 150 °C, the colourless gas TeF_6 is formed.

(i) Draw a 'dot-and-cross' diagram of the TeF_6 molecule, showing outer electrons only.

(ii) What will be the shape of the TeF_6 molecule?

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(iii) What is the F–Te–F bond angle in TeF_6?

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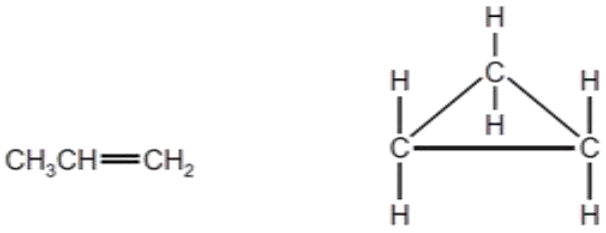
2 The molecular formula C_3H_6 represents the compounds propene and cyclopropane.



propene

cyclopropane

(a) What is the H–C–H bond angle at the terminal $=CH_2$ group in propene?

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1 Ammonia, NH_3, and methane, CH_4, are the hydrides of elements which are next to one another in the Periodic Table.

(a) In the boxes below, draw the 'dot-and-cross' diagram of a molecule of **each** of these compounds. Show outer electrons only.
State the shape of **each** molecule.

NH_3	CH_4
shape	shape

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