o Some examples of molecules with this geometry are:

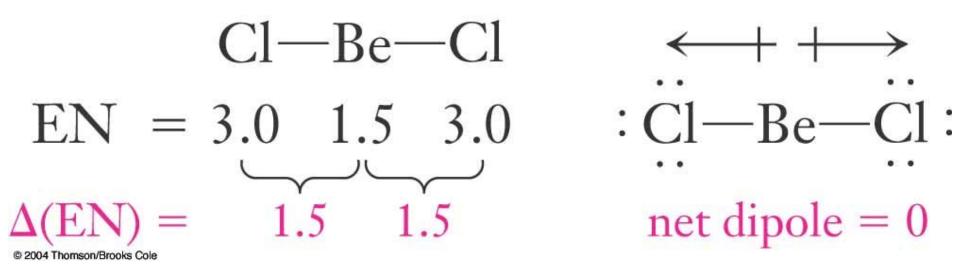
BeCl₂, BeBr₂, Bel₂, HgCl₂, CdCl₂

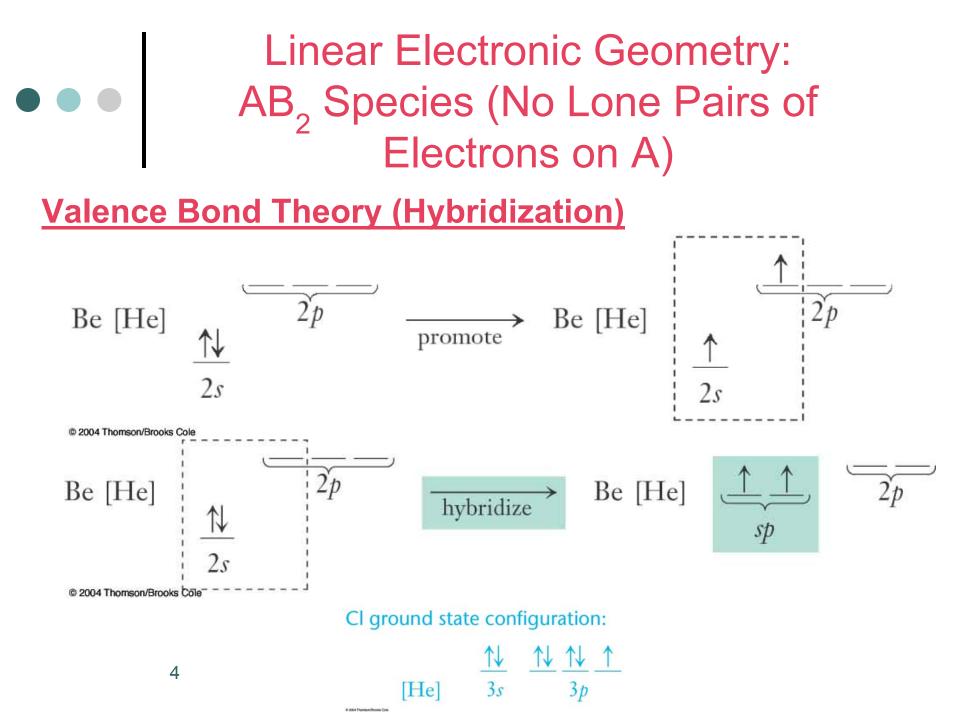
o All of these examples are linear, nonpolar molecules.

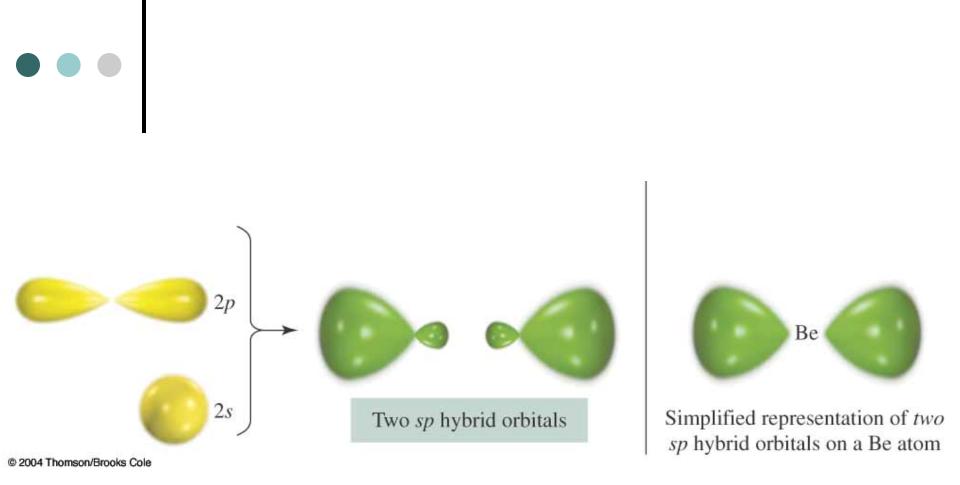
 Important exceptions occur when the two substituents are not the same!
 BeCIBr or BeIBr will be linear and polar!

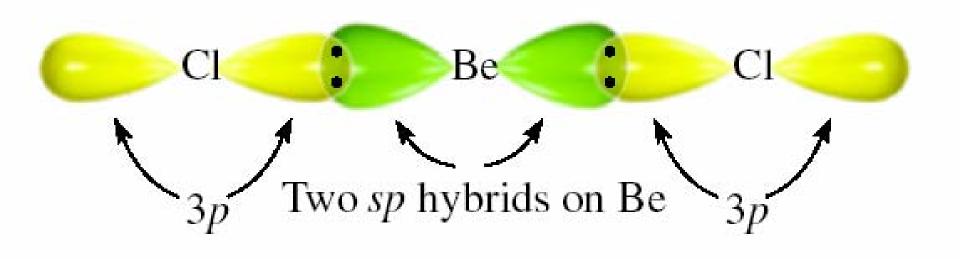
Electronic Geometry

Polarity





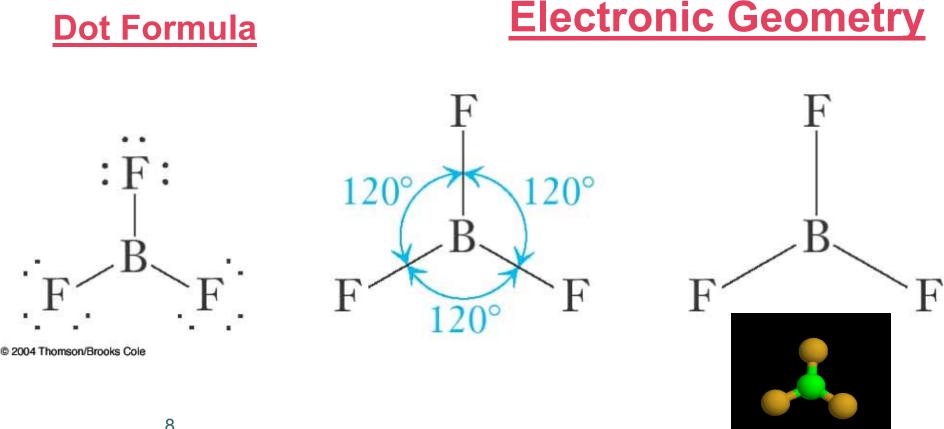




o Some examples of molecules with this geometry are:

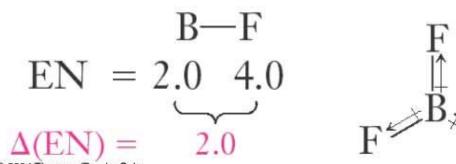
 BF_3, BCI_3

- o All of these examples are trigonal planar, nonpolar molecules.
- Important exceptions occur when the three substituents are not the same!
 BF₂Cl or BCl₂Br will be trigonal planar and polar!





Polarity

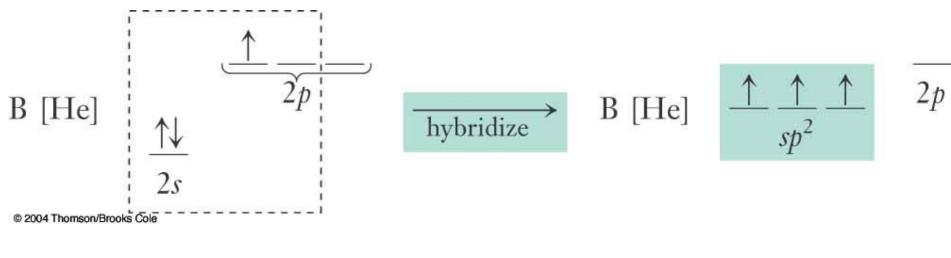


net molecular dipole = 0

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Trigonal Planar Electronic Geometry: AB₃ Species (No Lone Pairs of Electrons on A)

Valence Bond Theory (Hybridization)

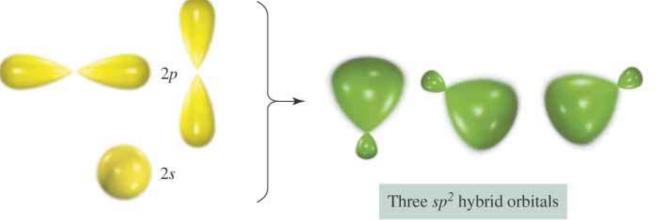


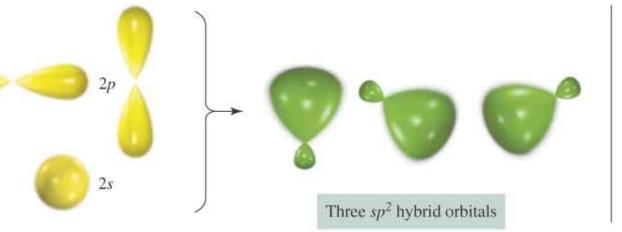


Simplified representation of *three* sp^2 hybrid orbitals on a B atom

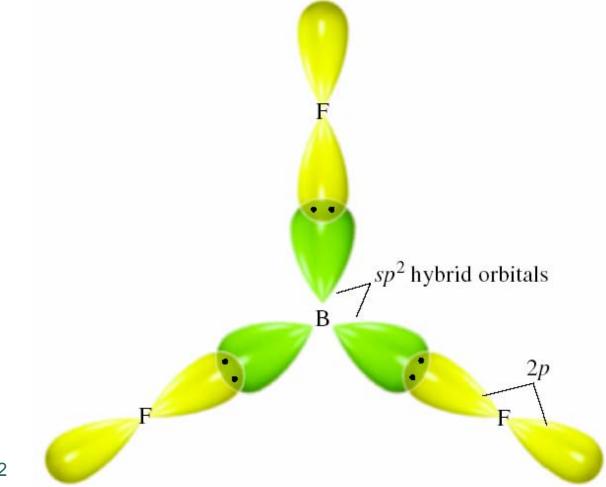
B

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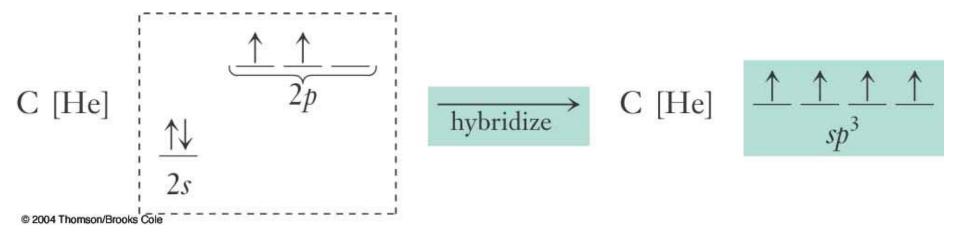


o Some examples of molecules with this geometry are:

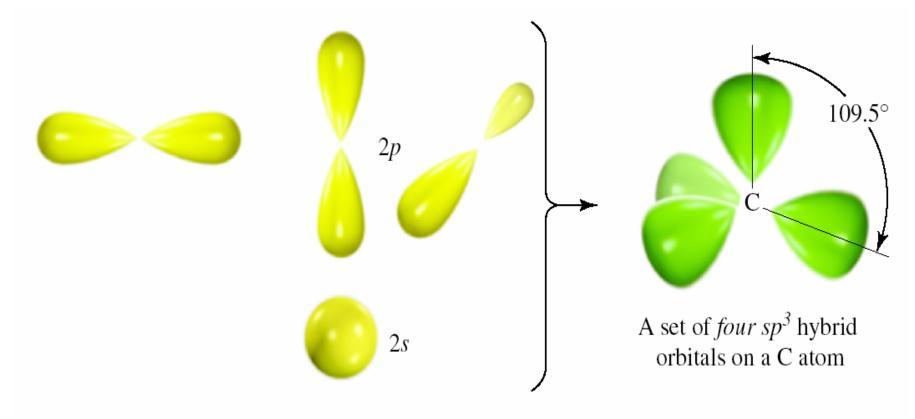
 CH_4 , CF_4 , CCI_4 , SiH_4 , SiF_4

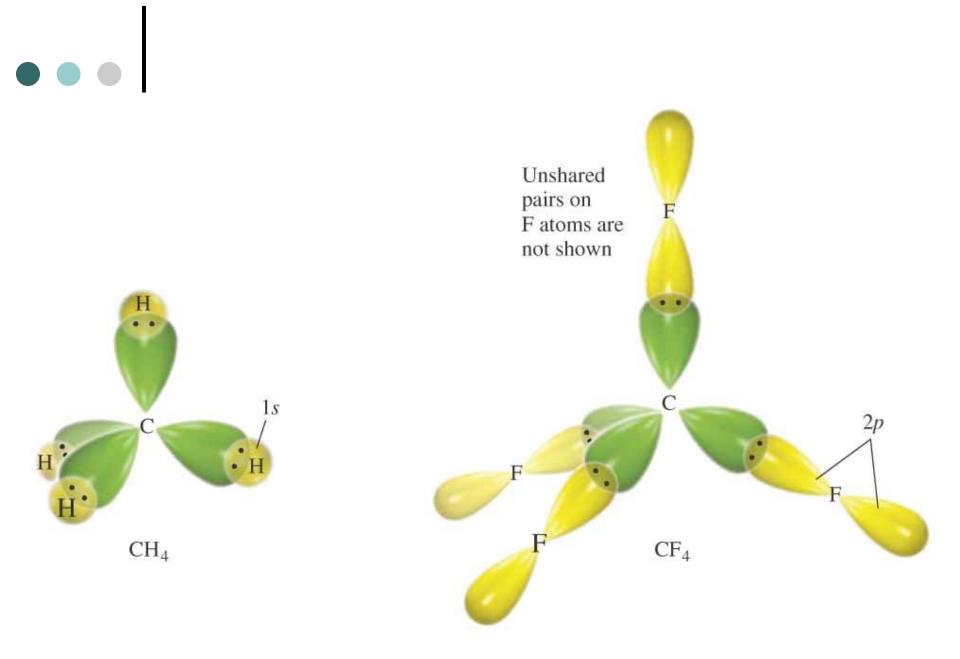
- o All of these examples are tetrahedral, nonpolar molecules.
- o Important exceptions occur when the four substituents are not the same!

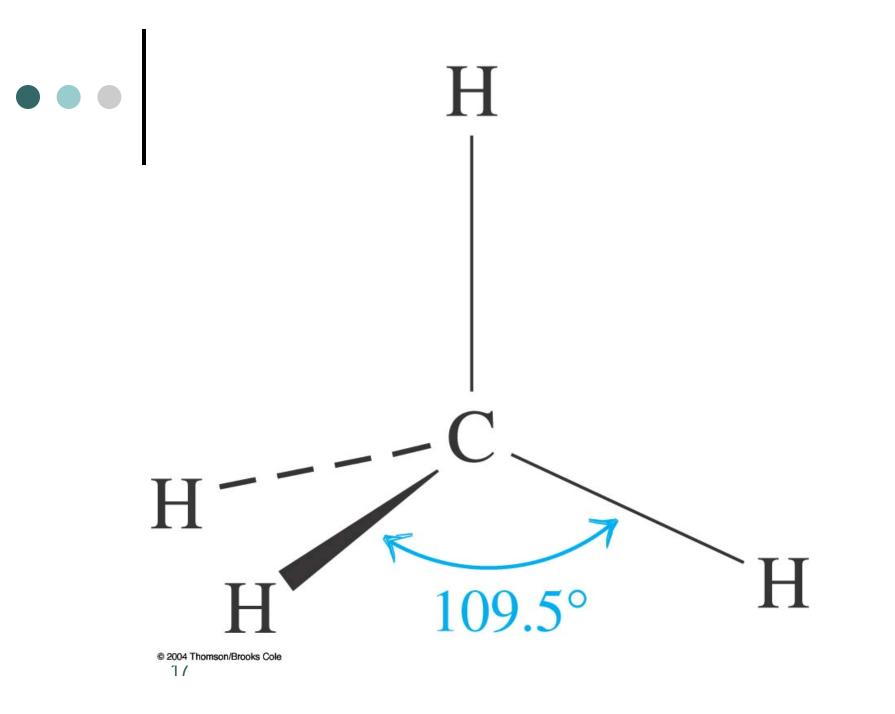
CF₃Cl or CH₂Cl₂ will be tetrahedral and polar!

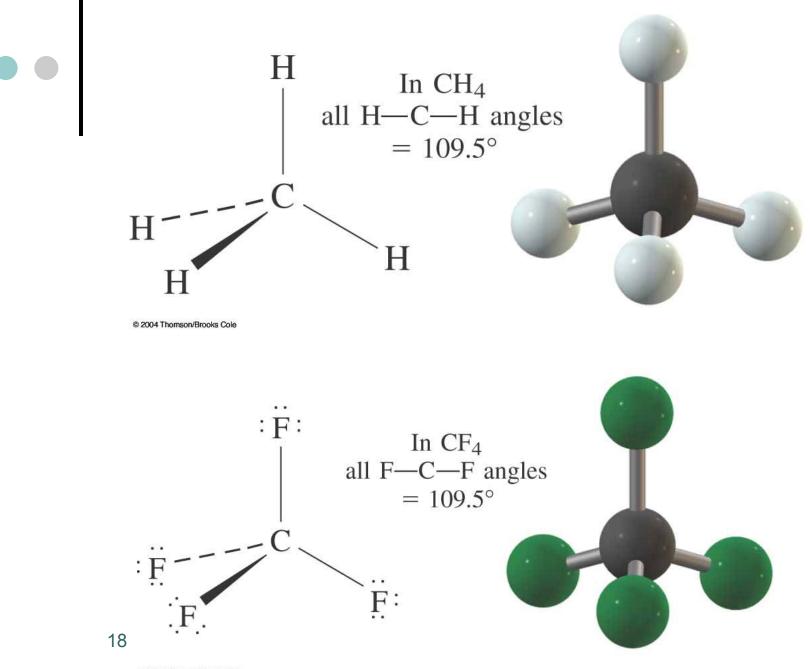




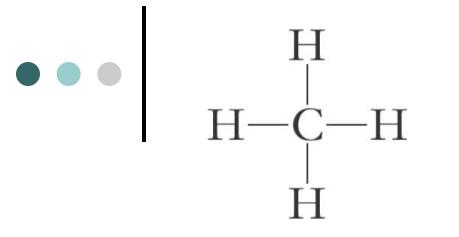


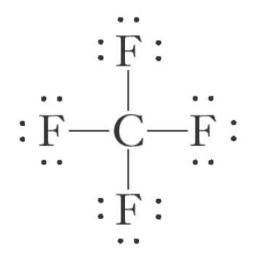






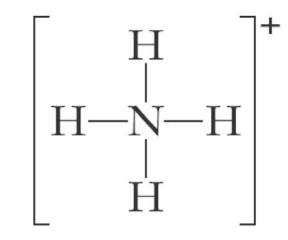
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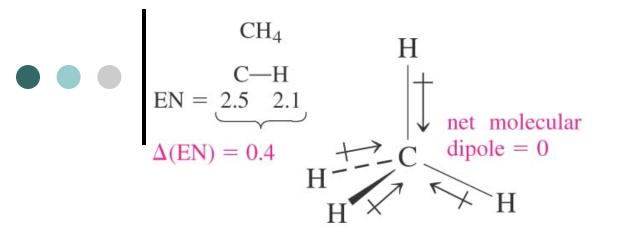


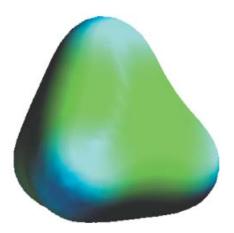
 CH_4 , methane CF_4 , carbon tetrafluoride

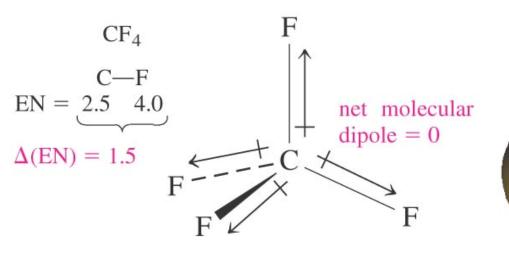
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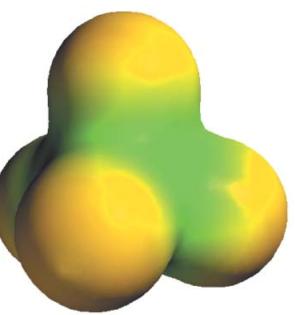


 NH_4^+ , ammonium ion









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