

Formal charge (FC):

- A method used to determine the most likely possible Lewis structure
- Based on minimizing the difference in electronegativity.

Steps:

1. Draw a possible Lewis structure.
2. Calculate the FC for each unique atom, where

$$\begin{aligned} \text{FC} = & (\# \text{ valence } e^-) \\ & - \frac{1}{2}(\# \text{ bonding } e^-) \\ & - (\# \text{ non-bonding } e^-) \end{aligned}$$

3. The Lewis structure with the difference in FC (ΔFC) closest to zero will be preferred.

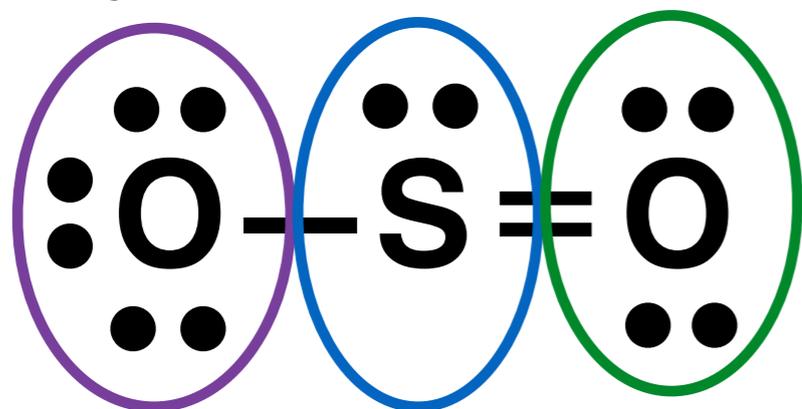
Where,

$$\Delta FC = FC_{\max} - FC_{\min}$$

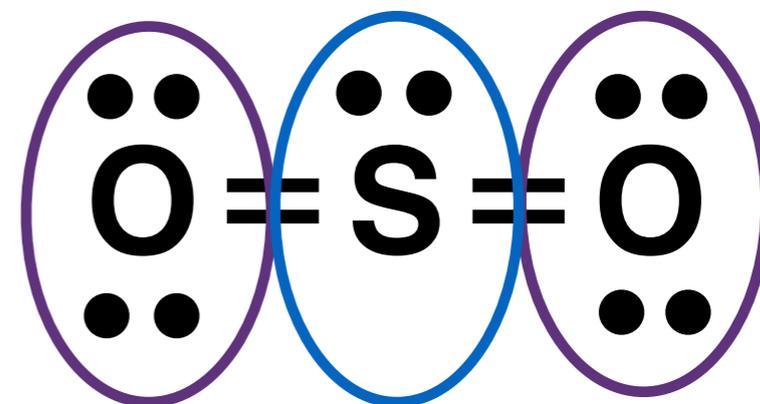
When two Lewis structures have the same ΔFC , choose the one that has the more negative charge on the most electronegative element.

Practice

Use formal charge to determine the more likely Lewis structure for SO_2



or



$$\text{FC}(\text{O}-) = 6 - 7 = -1$$

$$\text{FC}(\text{O}=\text{O}) = 6 - 6 = 0$$

$$\text{FC}(\text{S}) = 6 - 5 = +1$$

$$\text{FC}(\text{S}) = 6 - 6 = 0$$

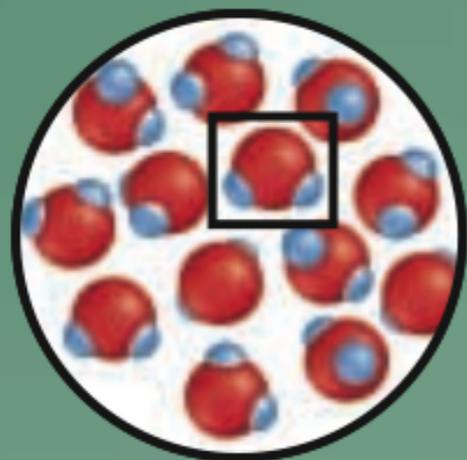
$$\text{FC}(=\text{O}) = 6 - 6 = 0$$

more likely structure!

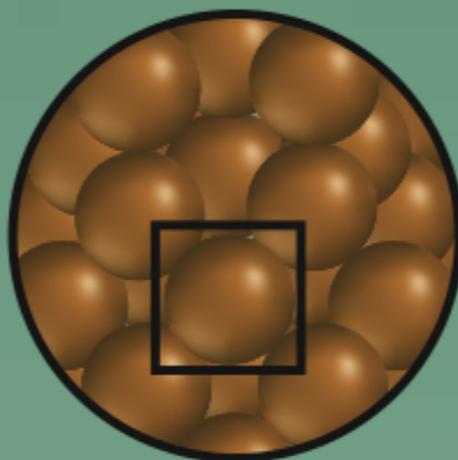
$$\Delta\text{FC} = (+1) - (-1) = 2$$

$$\Delta\text{FC} = 0 - 0 = 0$$

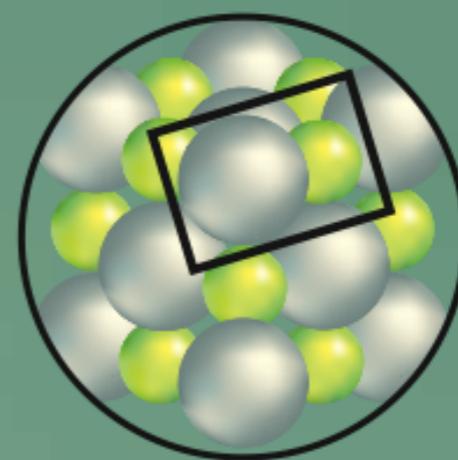
Pure Substances



Molecule



Atom



Formula unit



H₂O



Cu



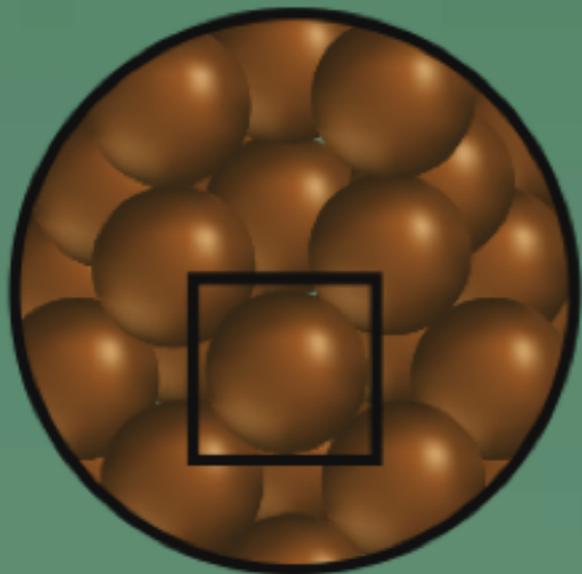
NaCl

covalent
compounds

elements

ionic
compounds

Pure Substances



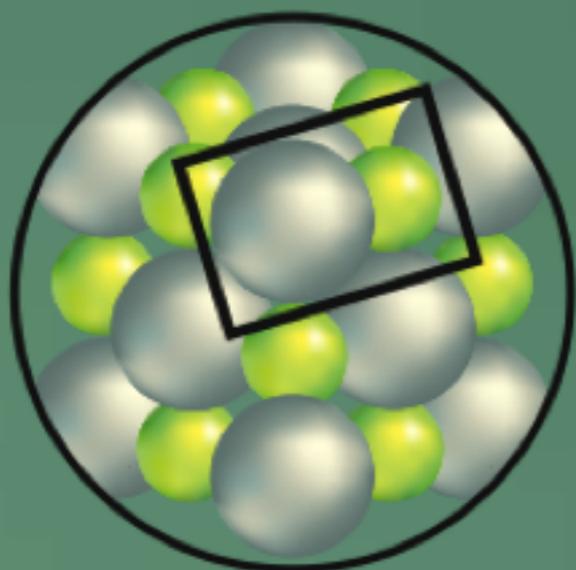
Atom

1. Elements contain only one type of atom.

Its chemical formula represents one “atom.”



Cu



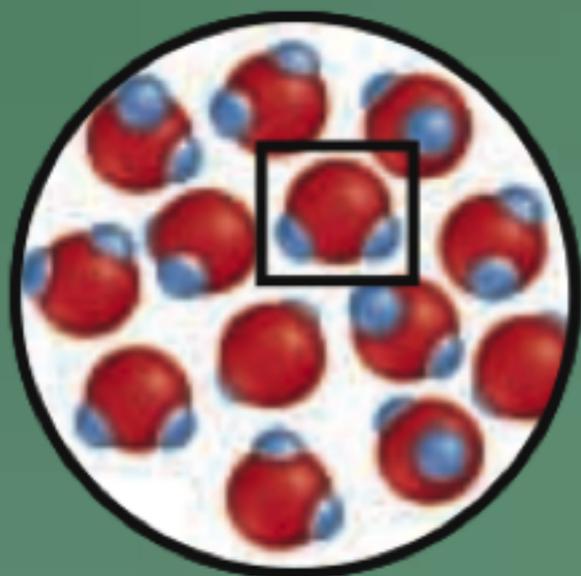
Formula unit

2. Ionic compounds contain metal cations and nonmetal anions.

Its chemical formula represents a “formula unit,” the smallest ratio of atoms in its crystal lattice.



NaCl



Molecule



H₂O

3. Covalent (molecular) compounds contain only nonmetals covalently bonded.

Its chemical formula represents one “molecule.”

Molecular Structures

Bond length and strength

	Bond length	Bond strength
single bonds	longest	weakest
double bonds	intermediate	intermediate
triple bonds	shortest	strongest

Resonance Structures:

A molecule or polyatomic ion that cannot be represented by a single Lewis structure.

(All will contain a double bond that can be placed on more than one atom)

Lewis Structures for Ozone

Bond energy:

Bond energy (kJ/mol)	
H—F	570
C—F	552
O—O	498
H—H	436
H—Cl	432
C—Cl	397
H—Br	366
H—I	299
C—Br	280
Cl—Cl	243
C—I	209
Br—Br	193
F—F	159
I—I	151

Bond energy:

**the energy required to break
a chemical bond and form
neutral isolated atoms.
(reported in kJ/mol)**

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FIGURE 2.5**BOND LENGTHS AND BOND ENERGIES FOR SELECTED COVALENT BONDS**

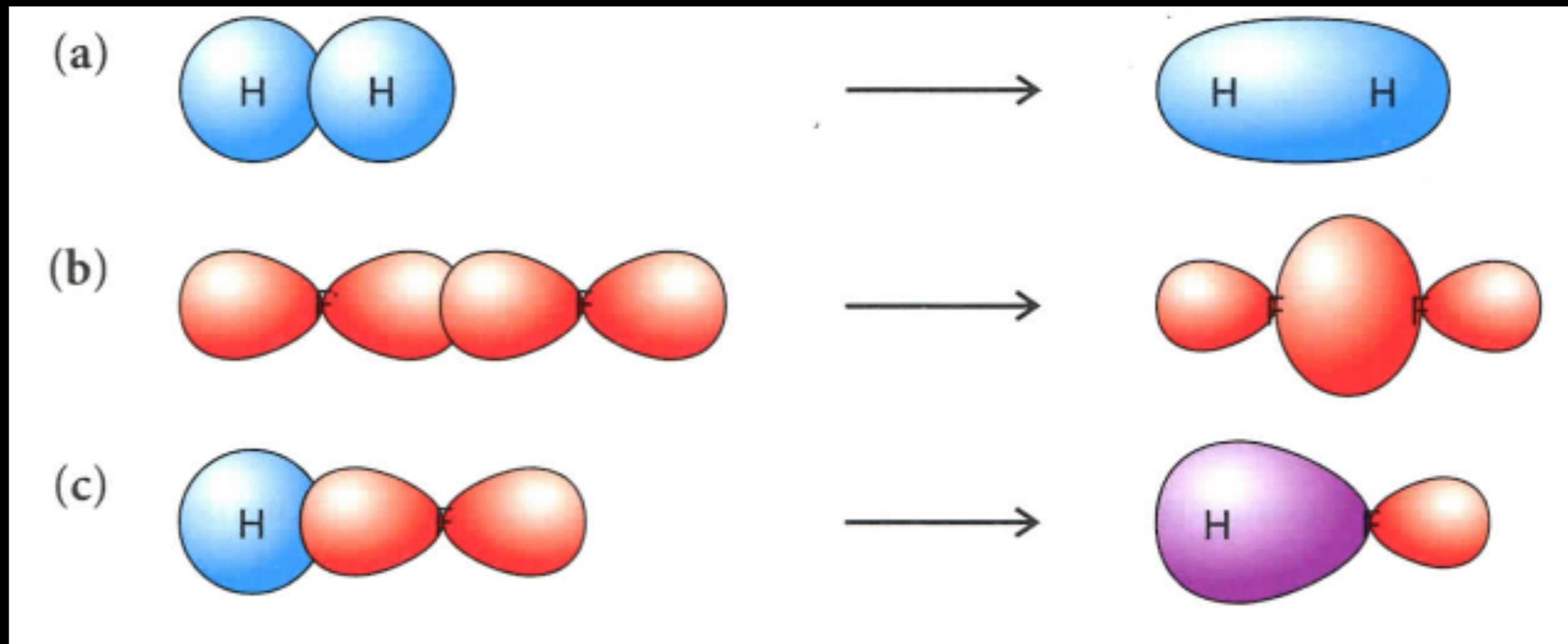
Bond	Average bond length (pm)	Average bond energy (kJ/mol)	Bond	Average bond length (pm)	Average bond energy (kJ/mol)
H—H	75	436	C—C	154	346
F—F	142	159	C—N	147	305
Cl—Cl	199	243	C—O	143	358
Br—Br	229	193	C—H	109	418
I—I	266	151	C—Cl	177	327
H—F	92	569	C—Br	194	285
H—Cl	127	432	N—N	145	163
H—Br	141	366	N—H	101	386
H—I	161	299	O—H	96	459

Note: The greater the bond energy, the shorter the bond length.

Single, double, and
triple bonding:

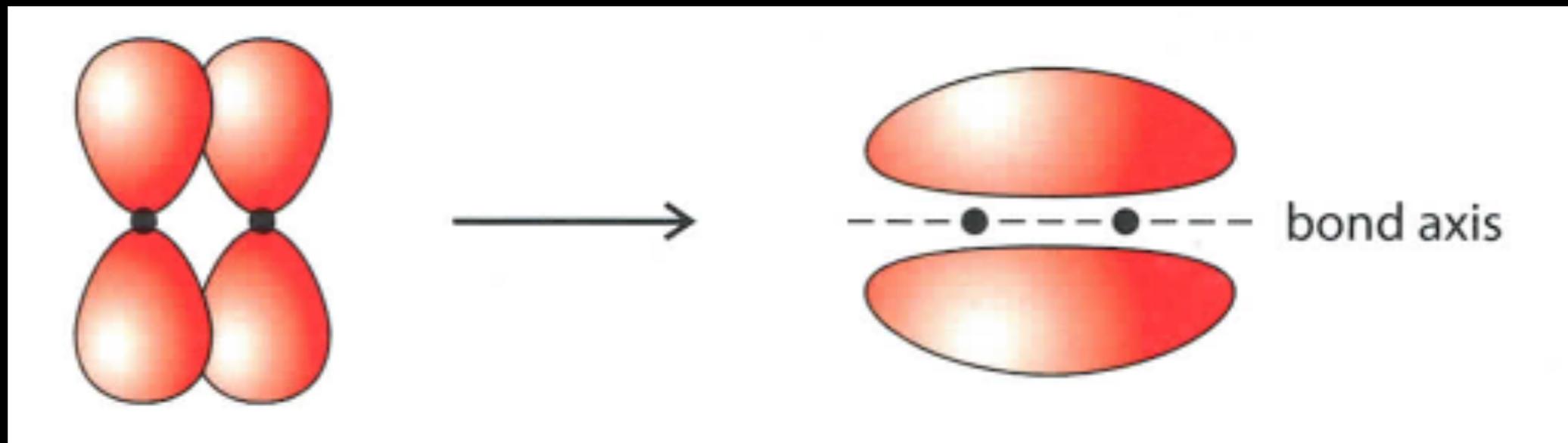
pi and sigma bonds

sigma (σ) bonds resulting from the axial overlap of orbitals:



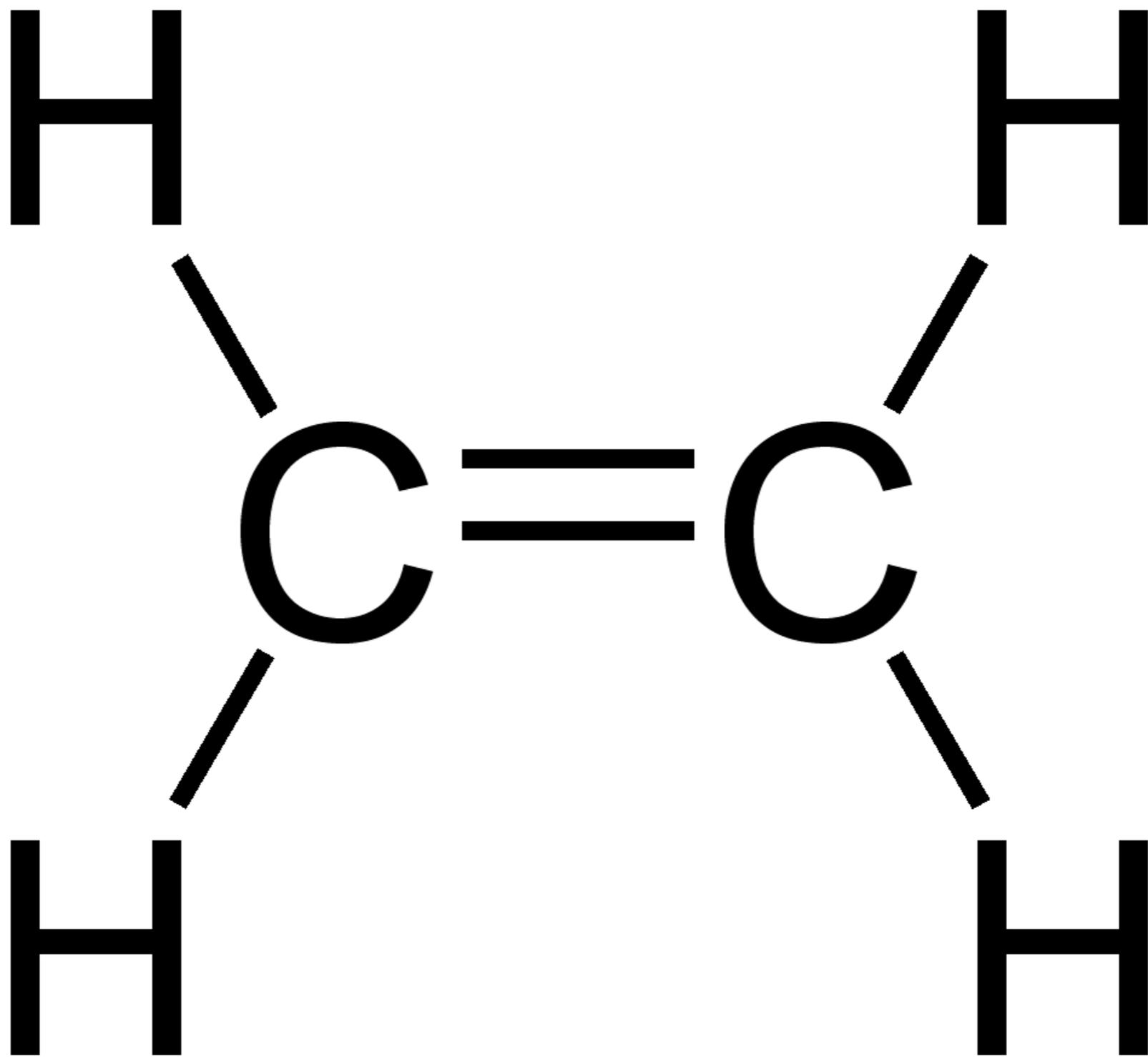
An end-to-end overlapping of s, p, or hybrid orbitals.

pi (π) bonds resulting from the sideways overlap of parallel p orbitals:

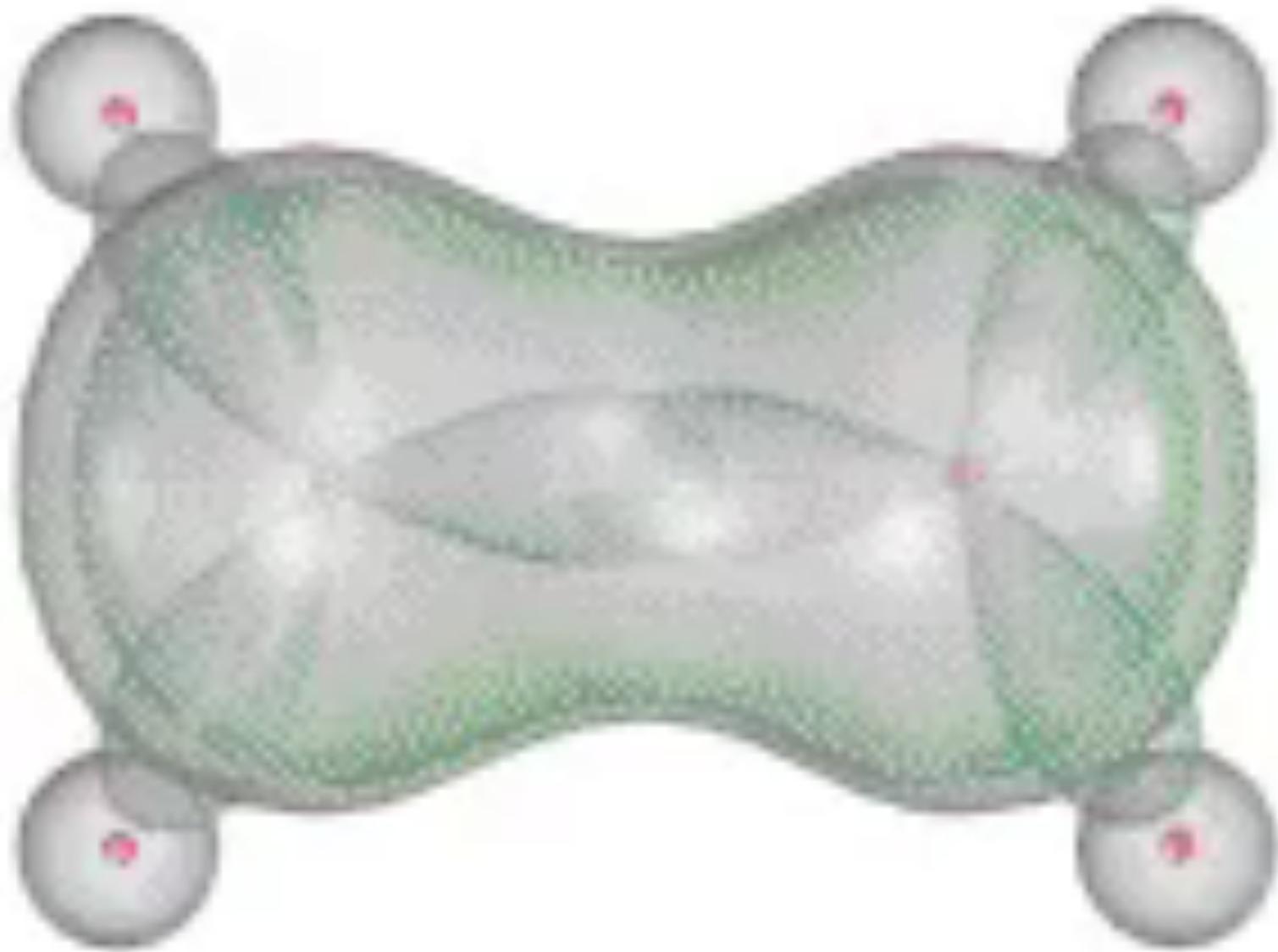


An overlapping of p orbitals above and below a sigma bond.

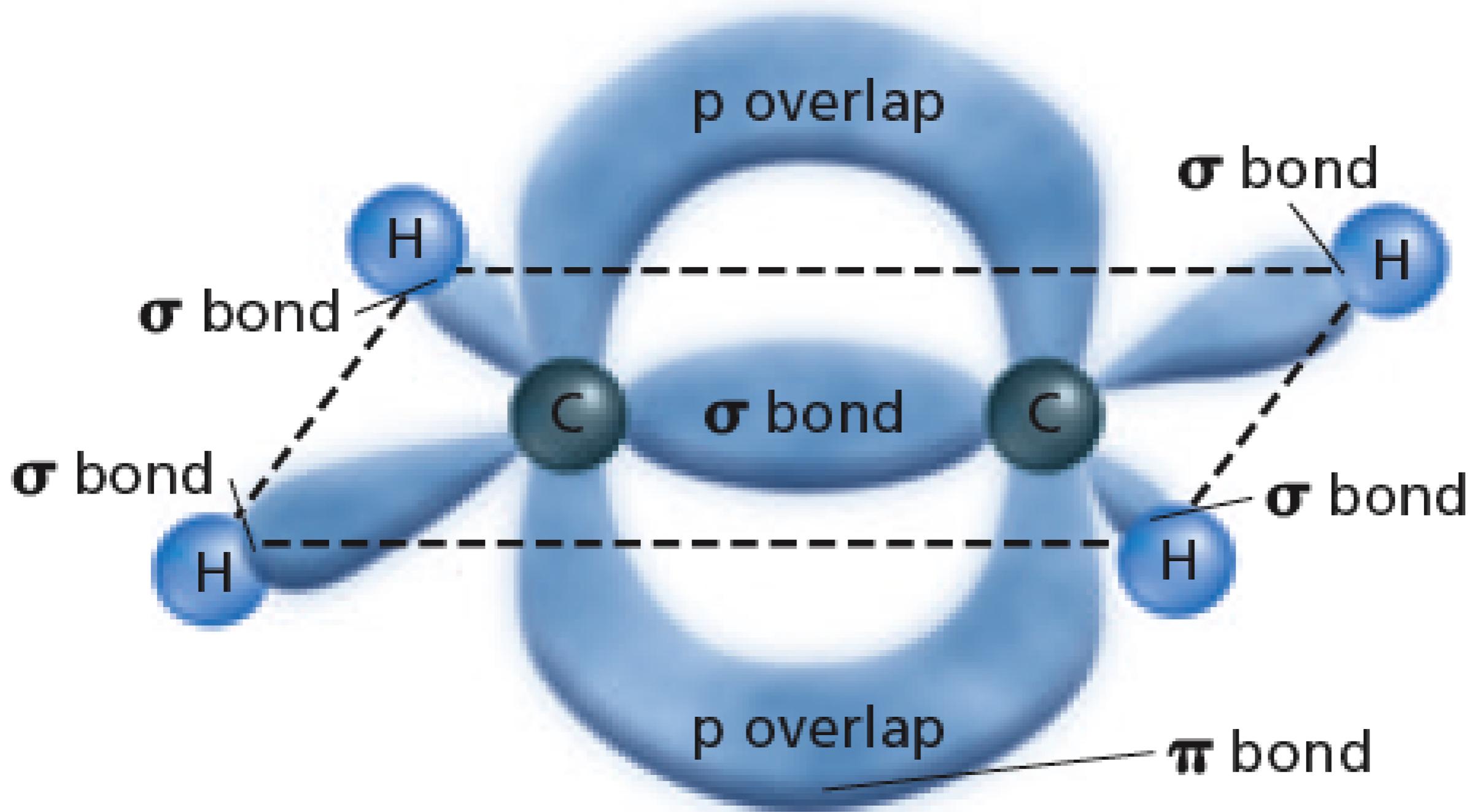
Example: C₂H₄



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Ethene

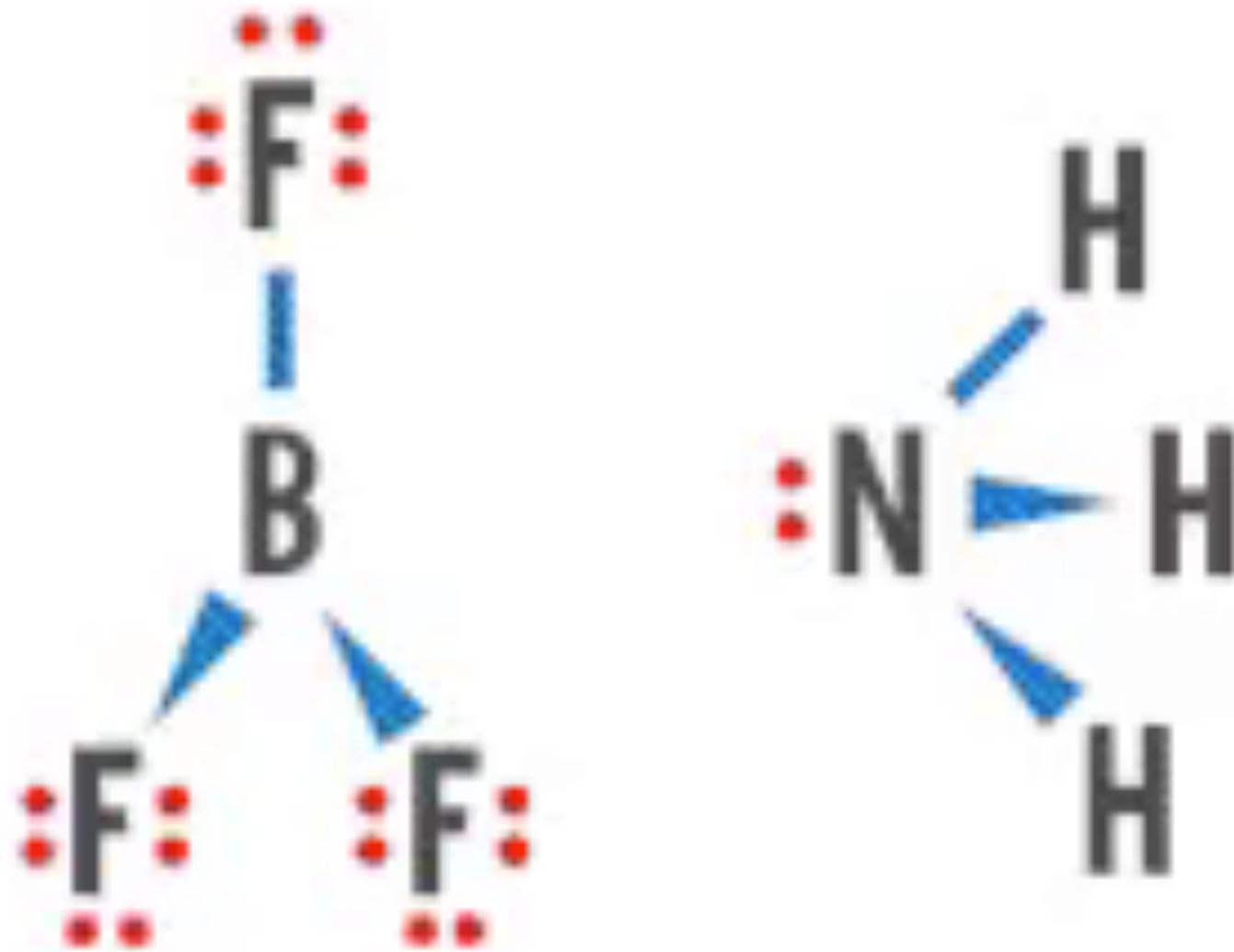
Summary

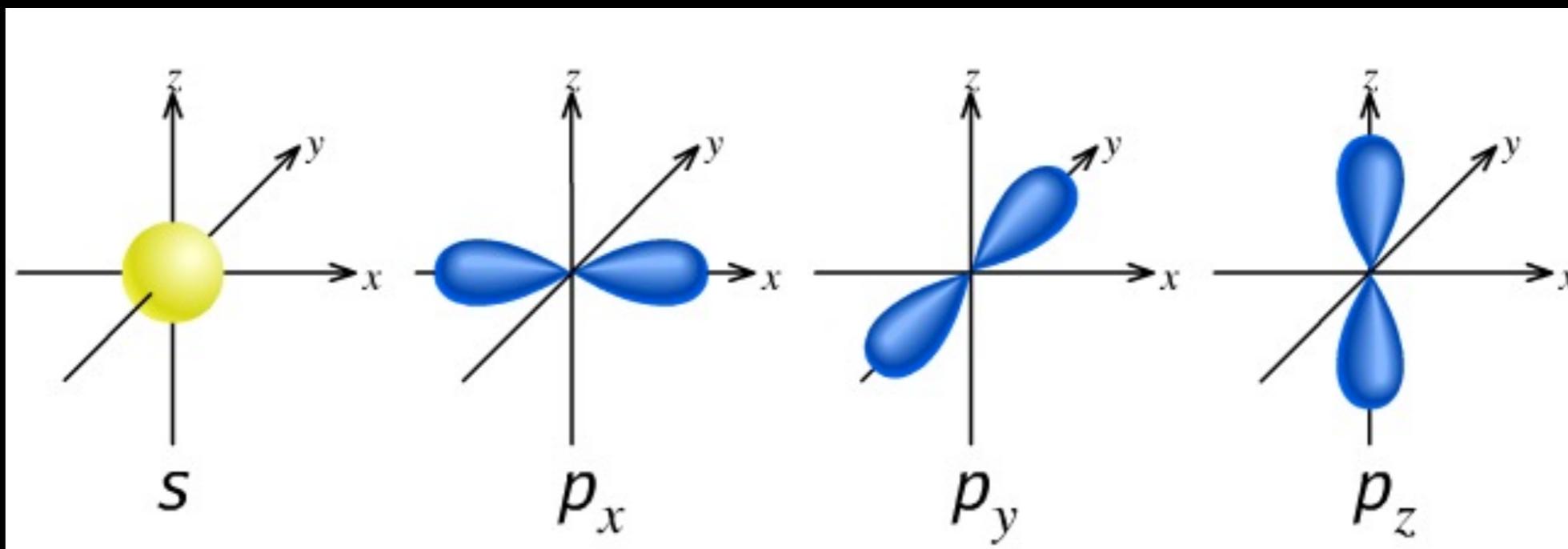
single bonds: one σ bond

double bonds: one σ and one π bond

triple bonds: one σ and two π bonds

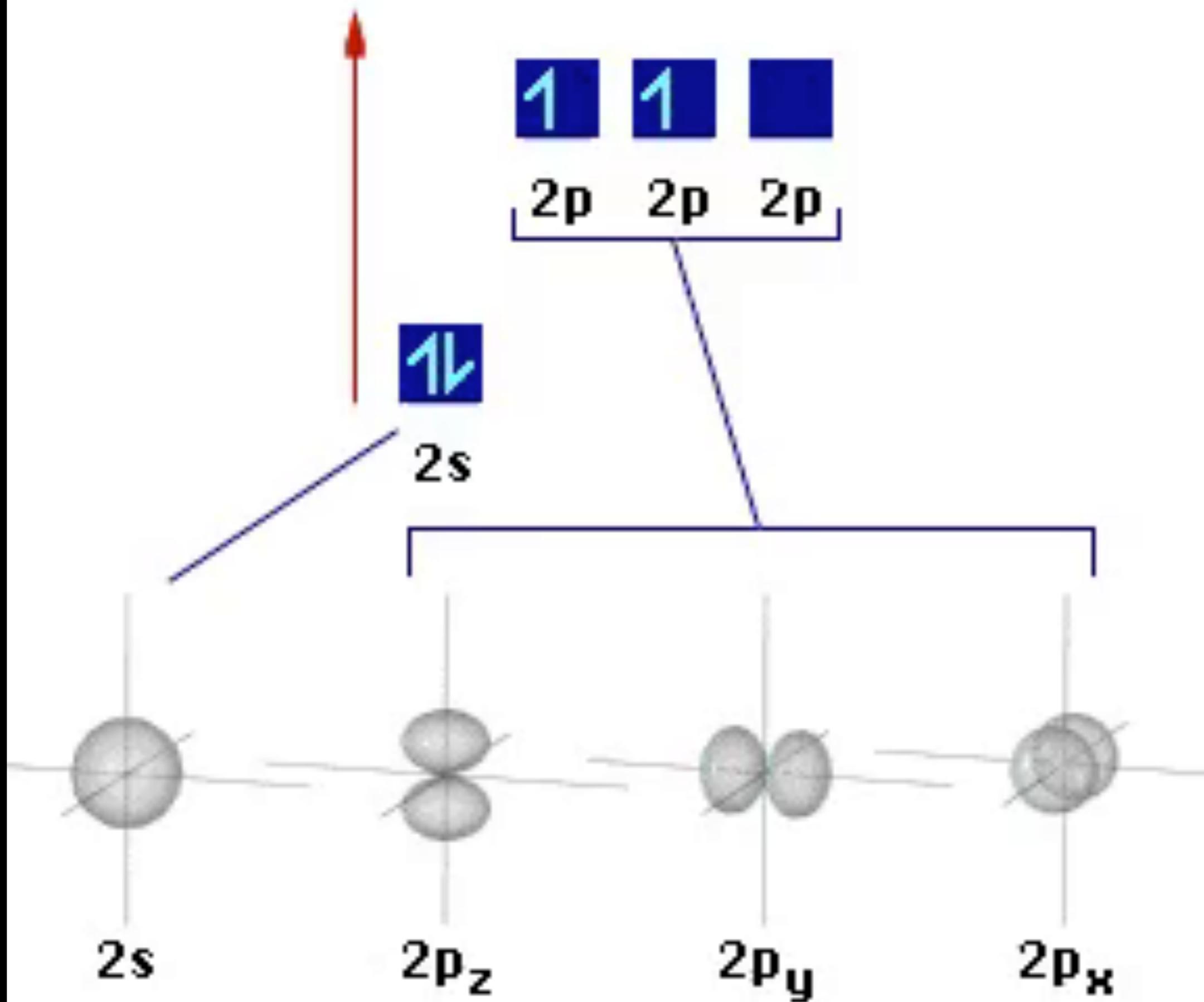
Dative (coordinate) covalent bond:
When one atom supplies both electrons in a covalent bond.





Hybridization:

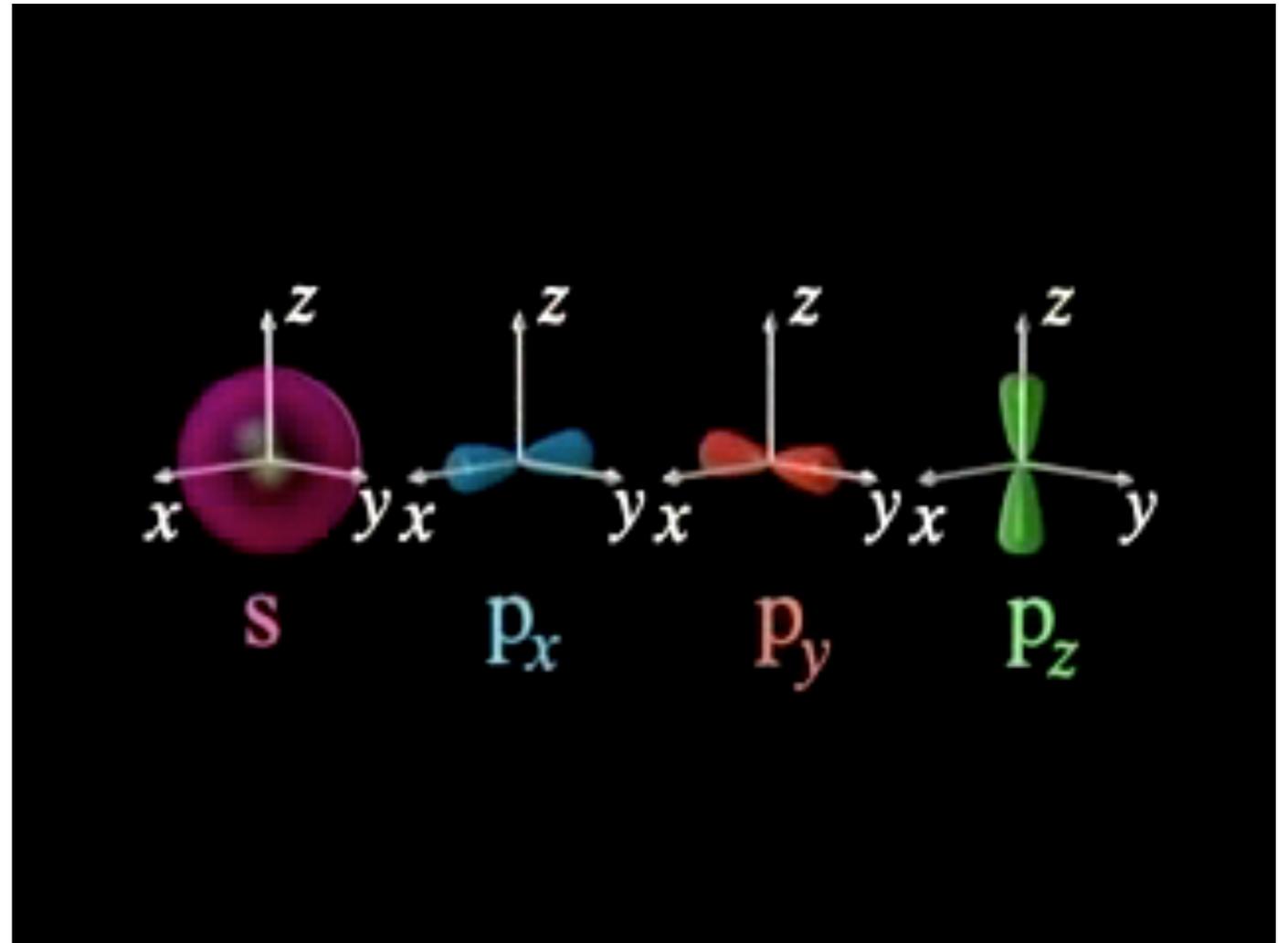
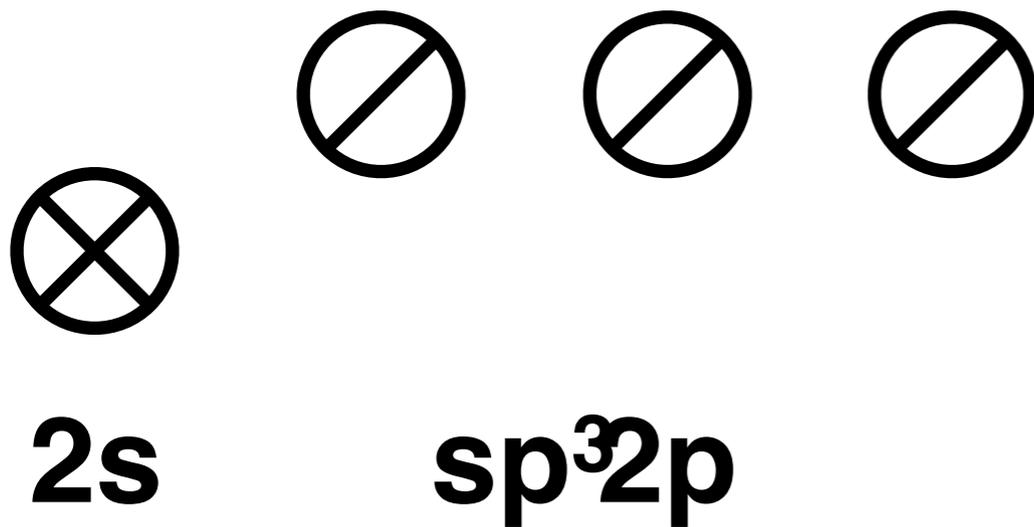
- The mixing of s and p orbitals to form new “hybrid” orbitals.
- Each hybrid orbital is identical and capable for forming a covalent bond



sp^3 Hybridization

Example: CH_4

Four identical
bonds in CH_4

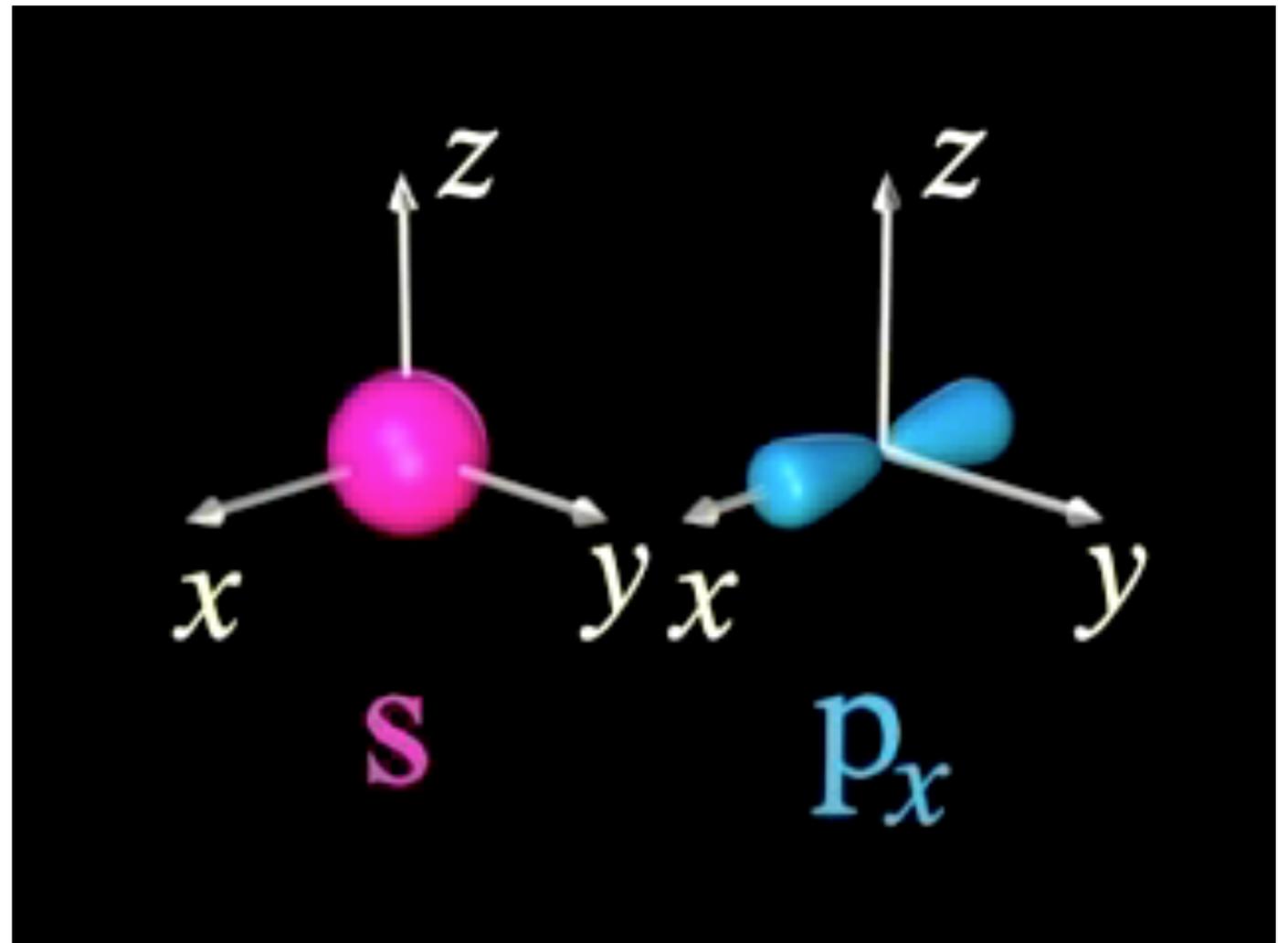
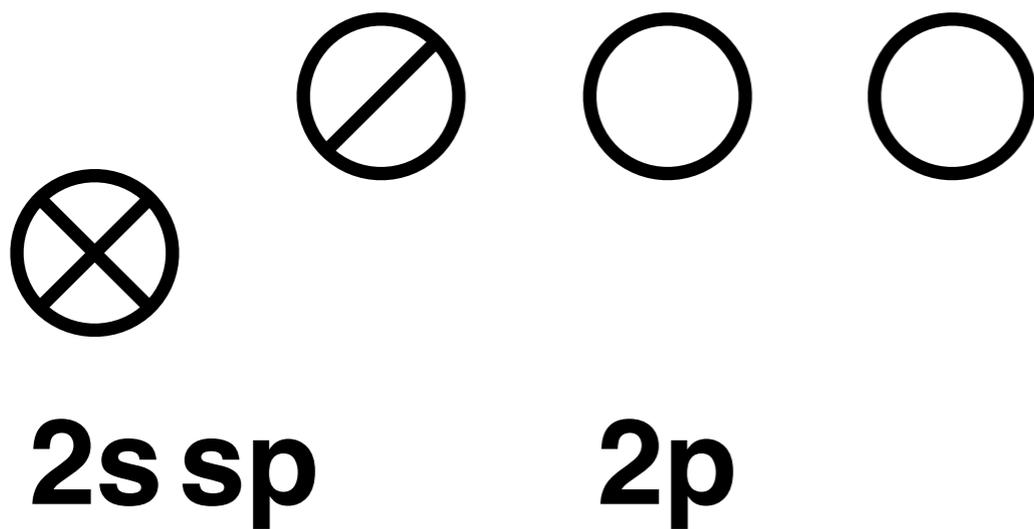


One **s** orbital and *three* **p** orbitals become
four identical **sp^3** orbitals

sp Hybridization

Example: BeH₂

Two identical bonds in BeH₂

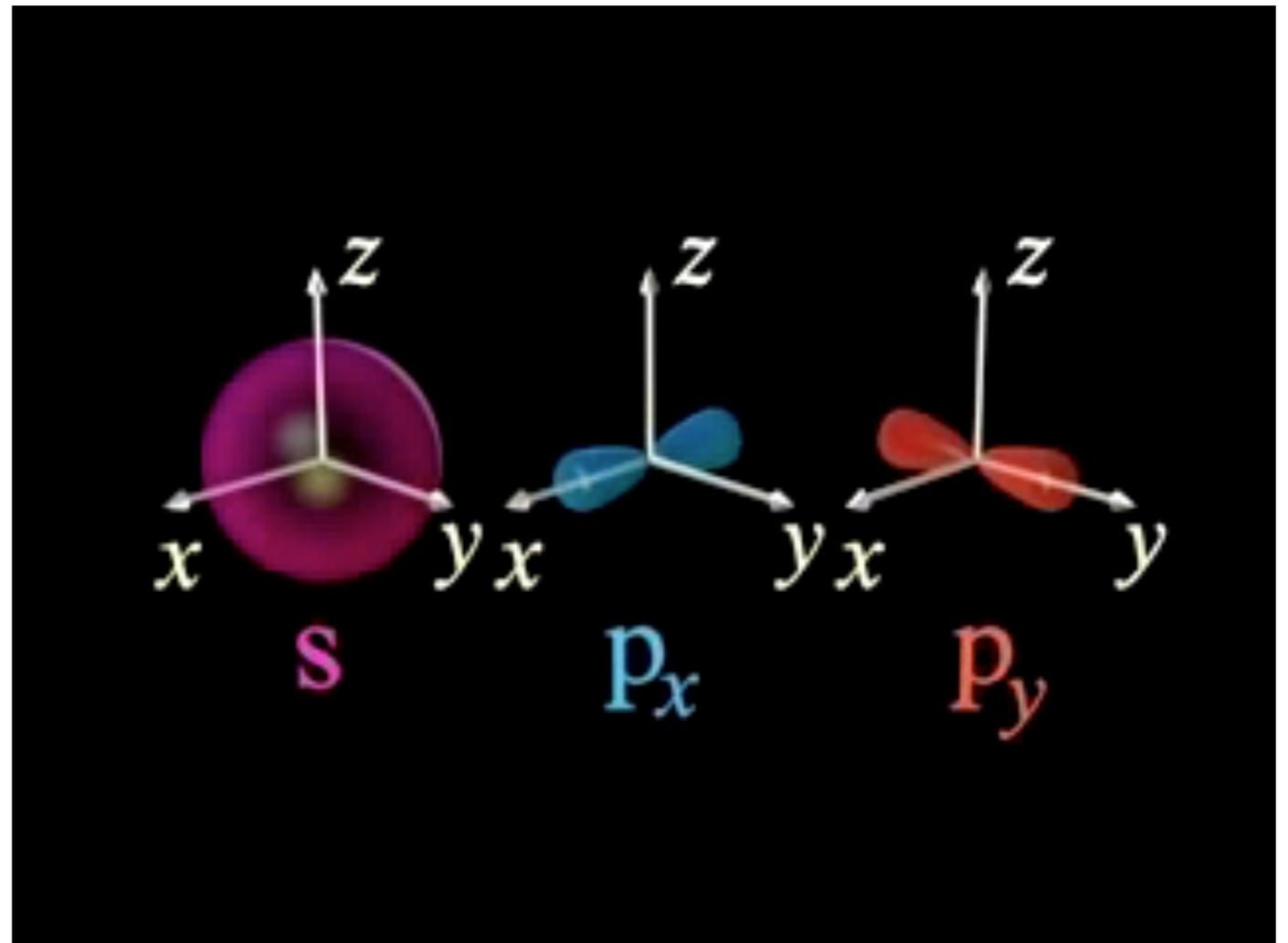
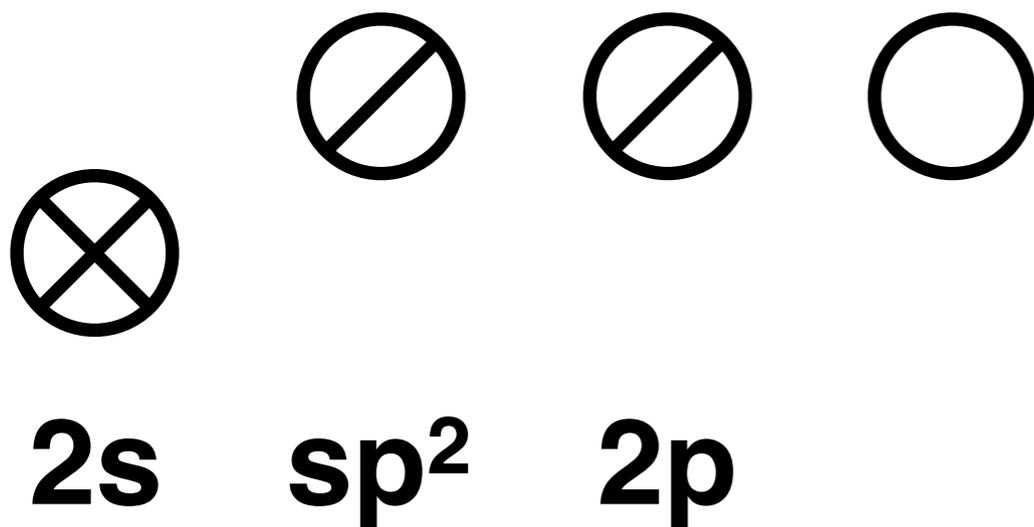


One **s** orbital and *one* **p** orbital become *two* identical **sp** orbitals

sp^2 Hybridization

Example: BCl_3

Three identical
bonds in BCl_3



One **s** orbital and *two* **p** orbitals become
three identical **sp^2** orbitals