

# Chemical Bonding Worksheet

## Warm-Up Questions:

Watch the [Khan Academy videos](#) on molecular and ionic compound structure and properties.

- 1) Using Lewis symbols, diagram the reaction between magnesium and oxygen atoms to give the ionic substance MgO.
- 2) How many electrons are transferred?
- 3) Which atom loses electrons in the reaction?

## Example #1:

Draw the electron configuration and Lewis electron dot symbol for the following elements listed in the table below.

Element	Electron Configuration	Lewis Symbol
Lithium		
Carbon		
Nitrogen		
Aluminum		
Chlorine		

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### Example #2:

Draw the Lewis structure for phosphorus trichloride,  $\text{PCl}_3$  and show your work after each of the five steps.

### Computational Exercise #1:

Take a screenshot of your optimized structure of  $\text{PCl}_3$  including atom labels and any important bond distances or angles. Choose the ball-and-stick representation styling tool.

### Example #3:

Analyze the structure of dichlorodifluoromethane, or  $\text{CCl}_2\text{F}_2$  by 1) drawing the Lewis structure, 2) performing a geometry optimization using Maestro, and 3) measuring the bond lengths and bond angles listed below. Use the same DFT method as the last example (B3LYP-D3/6-31G\*\*).

Lewis-Dot Structure of $\text{CCl}_2\text{F}_2$	Optimized Geometry of $\text{CCl}_2\text{F}_2$ using DFT	Bond Measurements from Optimized Geometry
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• C–F length:</li><li>• C–Cl length:</li><li>• F–C–F angle:</li><li>• Cl–C–Cl angle:</li><li>• Cl–C–F angle:</li></ul>

### Example #4:

Determine the electronegativity differences and bond types of the following fluorine-containing compounds.

	$\text{F}_2$	HF	LiF
$\Delta\text{EN}$			
Type of Bond			

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## Computational Exercise #2:

Now we will calculate the electrostatic potential surfaces of  $F_2$ , HF, and LiF to help us visually identify a chemical bond type. ESP maps will show the electron-density distribution on the surface of the molecules. This exercise involves four parts:

- 1) Build the molecules and minimize their geometries
- 2) Generate surfaces of the molecules
- 3) Map the electrostatic potentials to the molecular surfaces
- 4) Label each atom with electrostatic potential values

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## Individual Exercise:

Determine the electronegativity differences between the following hydrogen halides. Then generate an electrostatic potential surface for each molecule and identify any differences. For the single point calculations, use the following method:

- Theory: B3LYP-D3
- Basis Set: LACVP++\*\*

<b>Hydrogen Fluoride, H–F</b>	<b>Hydrogen Chloride, H–Cl</b>
<b><math>\Delta EN =</math></b>  <b>ESP Surface:</b>	<b><math>\Delta EN =</math></b>  <b>ESP Surface:</b>

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Hydrogen Bromide, H–Br	Hydrogen Iodide, H–I
<p><math>\Delta EN =</math></p> <p>ESP Surface:</p>	<p><math>\Delta EN =</math></p> <p>ESP Surface:</p>