

ChemThink: Molecular Shapes

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S	_____
E	_____
P	_____
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VSEPR theory tells us that areas of a molecule that have a (Higher/Lower) concentration of _____ will (Repel/Attract) each other and that these _____ will affect the _____ of the molecule.

Areas of e ⁻ concentration	Draw an Example	Bond Angles	Shape	Ex. Lewis Dot (Circle the e ⁻ concentration)
2		180 ^o	Linear	
3			Trigonal Planar	
3			Bent	

4			Tetrahedral	
4			Trigonal Pyramidal	
4			Bent	(Hint: Water)

When drawing three dimensional shapes:

- _____ shows that the outside atom is in the same plane as the central atom.
- _____ shows that the outside atom is farther from us than the central atom. (Going into the page)
- _____ shows that the outside atom is closer to us than the central atom. (Coming out of the page)