

**Exam 2**  
**Friday, October 13**  
**100 pts**

1. (24 pt) Explain each of the following true statements, **supporting your answers with diagrams and other supporting information as necessary!** Note that it is better to say why your model does not fit the rather than just making up invalid stuff in order to make it agree! (8 pt each)
- The ions  $\text{BF}_4^-$  and  $\text{ICl}_4^-$  have no net dipole moments but the molecule  $\text{POCl}_3$  is polar.
  - The size of  $\text{Cd}^{2+}$  is smaller than that of  $\text{Rh}^{2+}$  but it is also smaller than  $\text{Sn}^{2+}$ .
  - There are two different N-O bond lengths in  $\text{HNO}_3$  but the bond lengths in  $\text{NO}_3^-$  are all the same.

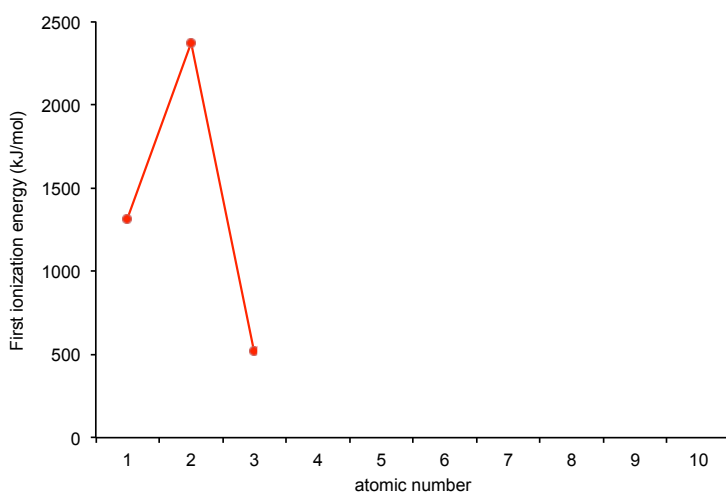
2. (24 pts) Draw the **best** inequivalent Lewis dot structures (with equivalent resonance structures if appropriate) for the following molecules and ions. Predict the geometry, draw it in 3-D, label the bond angles. (8 pts each)

| Formula          | Lewis dot structure(s) | Draw geometry and indicate bond angles | Molecular geometry at <b>each</b> central atom(s) | Hybridiz. at <b>each</b> central atoms | Polar or non polar |
|------------------|------------------------|--|---|--|--------------------|
| IF <sub>5</sub>  |                        |  |   |  |                    |
| CS <sub>2</sub>  |                        |  |   |  |                    |
| HNO <sub>2</sub> |                        |  |   |  |                    |

3. a. Provide the chemical equation that represents the process for which electron affinity of the element P is calculated. (4 pt)

b. (4 pt) As you go down the PT, electron affinity \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_ (one brief phrase!)

4. (9 pt) The graph below shows the values of first ionization energy for the first three elements (H, He, and Li).



- Add *estimates* to the graph for the first ionization energies of the elements that complete the second row of the periodic table. (4 pt)
- Explain the reason(s) for the trend(s) in ionization energies demonstrated by your graph (including any exceptions to the overall trends!). (5 pt)

5. (18 pt, 3 pt each) Answer each of the following questions:

\_\_\_\_\_ a. The symbol for the element in period 3 with the highest  $Z_{\text{eff}}$

\_\_\_\_\_ b. The number of electron domains for  $\text{SeF}_4$

\_\_\_\_\_ c. The smallest element in group VIA

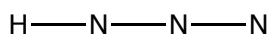
\_\_\_\_\_ d. The common charges for the element Bi

\_\_\_\_\_ e. The molecular geometry for a central atom with three lone pairs and two bonded atoms

\_\_\_\_\_ f. The sign of the energy change when you form a bond

6. (21 pt) An article in the journal *Inorganic Chemistry*<sup>1</sup> caught my eye, reporting the crystal structure of the “extremely explosive” carbonyl diazide,  $\text{OC}(\text{N}_3)_2$ . You can use Lewis dot structures and VSEPR to predict its structure.

- a. Let's warm up first with a bit of azide chemistry. Draw the Lewis structure and predict the molecular shape of hydrogen azide,  $\text{HN}_3$ . Be sure to draw all resonance structures and label any nonzero formal charges. (6 pt)



- b. The H–N–N bond angle in  $\text{HN}_3$  is  $112^\circ$ . Does this match what you would predict from your structures in part a? There are 2 unequal N–N bond lengths in  $\text{HN}_3$ , 113 pm and 124 pm. On a picture of the molecular structure, indicate which bond is which and explain your assignment. As a point of reference, the triple bond length in  $\text{N}_2$  is 109.8 pm. (6 pt)

- c. Now draw all important resonance structures for carbonyl diazide (the skeleton structure is drawn on the board!),  $\text{OC}(\text{N}_3)_2$ , labeling all atoms with nonzero formal charges. There are at least 6 resonance structures for this molecule; you should be able to come up with 3 important contributors. (5 pt)

- d. Based on the structures you drew above, draw a picture of the molecular structure that you would predict for carbonyl diazide **including your predictions for approximate bond angles**. How would you expect the different N–N bond lengths to compare in this molecule? Note: you can assume that the entire molecule is planar because it actually is! (4 pt)

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<sup>1</sup> X. Zeng, M. Gerken, H. Beckers, and H. Willner, “Synthesis and Characterization of Carbonyl Diazide,  $\text{OC}(\text{N}_3)_2$ ,” *Inorg. Chem.* **2010**, *49*, 9694-9699.