

Exercise 8.5

Determining Geometry Using VSEPR

1. For each of the molecules listed below:

- Draw one valid Lewis diagram.
Include any non-zero formal charges on the appropriate atoms.
- Identify the electron group geometry of the central atom.
- Identify the molecular geometry.
- Redraw the molecule to show the molecular geometry. Label bond angles.
Angles should be accurate to the number of sig. fig. shown. (e.g. 109.5°)
Use the \sim symbol to indicate approximate angles. (e.g. $\sim 109.5^\circ$)
Use the $<$ symbol to indicate that an angle is close to – but definitely smaller than – a given value. (e.g. $<109.5^\circ$)
Use the $>$ symbol to indicate that an angle is close to – but definitely larger than – a given value. (e.g. $>109.5^\circ$)

(a) SO_2

(b) BeCl_2

(c) OF_2

(d) XeF_2

(e) BBr_3

(f) XeO_3

(g) ClF_3

(h) SF_4

(i) XeF_4

(j) XeO_4

(k) ClF_5

(l) PCl_5

(m) SCl_6