CHAPTER 2: METAL LIGAND BONDING IN TRANSITION METAL COMPLEXES

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- Geometry?
- Coordination?
- Whether any linking between two?

# Relation between CN Hybridization & Geometries

| CN | Hybridization                  | Electron-group geometry   | Examples                          |
|----|--------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2  | sp                             | Linear                    | BeCl <sub>2</sub>                 |
| 3  | sp <sup>2</sup>                | Trigonal planar           | BCI <sub>3</sub>                  |
| 4  | sp <sup>3</sup>                | Tetrahedral               | SiCl <sub>3</sub>                 |
| 5  | dsp <sup>2</sup>               | Square planar             | CuCl <sub>4</sub>                 |
| 6  | dsp <sup>3</sup>               | Trigonal bipyramidal      | PCI <sub>5</sub>                  |
| 7  | d <sup>2</sup> sp <sup>3</sup> | Octahedral                | Ni(NH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>6</sub> |
| 8  | d <sup>3</sup> sp <sup>3</sup> | Pentagonal<br>bypyramidal | IF <sub>7</sub>                   |

# **GEOMETRY & CN More examples**



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# Geometry & C.N



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# ISOMERISM

**Isomers:** Two compounds having same molecular formula but different arrangement of their atoms in space are called isomers of each other.(They may differ in properties & structures)

Isomerism: The phenomena is called Isomerism.Examples:  $C_2H_6O$  compoundsThere exist two compounds $CH_3CH_2OH$ and $CH_3CH_2OH$ AcetoneEthyl AlcoholAcetoneC-C-O bond sequenceC-O-C bond sequence

**Isomers:** The compounds having same molecular formula but different arrangement of their atoms in space are called isomers of each other.

CH3CH2OHandCH3OCH3Ethyl AlcoholAcetone

<u>Stereoisomers</u>: The compounds having same molecular formula, with the same central atoms linked to the same partners, differing only in their relative positions are called Stereoisomers



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#### Isomerism







a)Geometrical: Cis (Z)and Trans(E)
b)Optical: d (+) or l (-)
c)Structural
d) Coordination position

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## **Geometrical isomers**

<u>Cis: (or Z- Zusammen means Togather)</u>: If two atoms (or molecule) attached to the same central atoms (metal) are on the same side (within 90 degree), it is called *Cis isomer*.



<u>Trans: (or E- Entagenen means Opposite):</u> If they are far apart (at 180 degree) it is called *trans isomer.* 

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**Geometrical isomers:** 

C.N : 2: Linear Geometry: ligands are only180 degree apart ! Means only TRANS isomer No CIS



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<u>Geometrical isomers in CN 4:</u>

For C.N. =4: Two structures possible

<u>a) Tetrahedral:</u> No isomerism

(since all groups are at tetrahedral angle from each other (i.e. 108.27')

NOT EXACTLY 90 NOR 180, i.e. MIDDLE! Therefore cannot decide whether it is Cis or Trans! Angle: 108.5 degree

b) Square planar: Shows isomerism

(since all groups are at 90 degree so two same group can be placed at 90 Or 180 degree)



Angle: 90/180 degree

## Geometrical isomers in Square Planar: (CN = 4)

### **Examples:**

1. Ma<sub>2</sub>bc or Mab<sub>2</sub>c or Mabc<sub>2</sub> [where, M=Pt, a= NH<sub>3</sub>, b= Py, c=H<sub>2</sub>O



#### L<sub>3</sub> within 90:CIS L<sub>3</sub> within 180:TRANS

#### Geometrical isomers in Square Planar: (CN = 4)

Examples 2. Ma<sub>2</sub>b<sub>2</sub> [e.g.M= Pt, Pd,A=Cl,Br,I, B=NH<sub>3</sub>, Py]



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### Geometric Isomerism





<u>Geometrical isomers in Square Planar: (CN = 4)</u>

**Examples** 3.Mabcd [e.g. M =Pt,a= Py, b= NH<sub>3</sub>,c=Cl, d=Br ]

In such example, we have to consider any 2 ligand same (e.g. a & c same)



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## Geometrical isomers in Octahedral (CN = 6)



#### **Octaherdal:**

#### CIS:(1,2),(2,3),(3,4),(1,4),(1,5),(2,5),(3,5),(4,5),(1,6), (2,6),(3,6),(4,6). TRANS: (1,3),(2,4) & (5,6)

Geometrical isomers in Octahedral: (CN = 6)

### **Examples:**

Ma<sub>6</sub>
 Ma<sub>5</sub>b
 Ma<sub>4</sub>b<sub>2</sub> OR a<sub>2</sub>b<sub>4</sub>
 Ma<sub>2</sub>b<sub>2</sub>c<sub>2</sub>
 Ma<sub>3</sub>b<sub>3</sub>
 Mabcdef

No isomer, Single isomer! No isomer, Single isomer! 2 isomers 2 isomers Facial& Meridial 2 isomers

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## Stereoisomers: geometric isomers (cis and trans)

Example: Ma<sub>4</sub>b<sub>2</sub> or Ma<sub>2</sub>b<sub>4</sub>



#### Stereoisomers: geometric isomers (cis and trans)



### Geometric Isomerism



# facial & meridian isomers

FACIAL: Same ligands are adjacent (on triangular face)



MERIDIAN: Same ligands can be joined to the ion constituting half of perimeter.

CI H<sub>3</sub>N///..Co H<sub>3</sub>N // NH<sub>3</sub> CI

 $Ma_3b_3$ 

3 NH<sub>3</sub> ligands in one plane, 3 Cl ligands in a perpendicular plane

meridian (mer)





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## $Ma_2b_2c_2$



### **Optical Isomers (Enantiomers)**

Two isomers are mirror images which are **not** superimposable. (called Enantiomers)

Any molecule which possesses a plane of symmetry is

superimposable on its mirror image.

Molecules having achiral (asymmetric) centers are optically active.

Two isomers showing opposite optical activity are called optical isomers.

Enantiomers do not have a plane of symmetry.

Enantiomers rotate polarized light in different directions; therefore, enanotiomers are also termed "optical isomers"

# Mirror images & nonsuperimposability





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### Meaning of "Achiral"

A structure is termed **achiral** if it is not superimposable o<u>n its mirror image</u>



images therefore are Enantiomers!

A molecule possessing a plane of symmetry is chiral and is superimposible on its mirror image. Enantiomers are NOT possible.

Are the following chiral or achiral structures?



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#### Two coordination complexes which are enantiomers



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#### EDTA complexes are optically active

#### No plane of symmetry



# **Optical Activity**



dextrorotatory *d*-levorotatory *l*-

#### **Optical Activity**



# PPL: The light whose Vibrations are taking place in one plane.

The plane of this Vibrations is rotated either left or right

## **Optical Isomers: Square planer**

# $\mathsf{M}_{\mathsf{abcd}}$

## No optical Isomerism

# (Plane of Symmetry)

#### However complicated compound may show isomers e.g. Iso butylene diammine meso stilbene diammine Pt(II) Pt(NH2.CH(C6H6).CH(C6H5).NH2)(NH2CH2.C(CH3)2.NH2]<sup>2+</sup>

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**Optical Isomers: Tetrahedral** 

# M<sub>abcd</sub> Can show optical Isomerism.



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**Optical Isomers: Tetrahedral** 

# M<sub>abcd</sub> Can show optical Isomerism.



#### Bis benzoyl acetonato Be(II)

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**Optical Isomers: Octahedral** 

# M<sub>abcdefg</sub> Can show optical Isomerism.



#### All different ligands attached to central metal ion can show isomerism. E.g [Pt(Py)(NH<sub>3</sub>)(NO<sub>2</sub>)ClBrI] = 15 isomers! Prentice Hall © 2005

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## Oh M<sub>a2b2c2</sub>



 $M(AA)_3$  type: e.g. 1.  $[Cr(ox)_3]^{3-}$  2.  $[Co(en)_3]^{3+}$ 



## $M(AB)_3$ type: e.g. $[Cr(gly)_3]^{3-1}$



 $M(AA)_2BB$  type: e.g.  $[Co(en)_2(C_2O_4)]^+$ 



### $M(AA)_2a_2$ type: e.g. $[Co(en)_2Cl_2]^+$



#### Cis: Optical active

Trans: Optical inactive

## $M(AA)_2$ ab type: e.g. $[Co(en)_2Cl_2(NH_3)_2]^+$



## $M(AA)_2 a_2 b_2$ type: e.g. $[Co(en)_2 CINH_3]^{3-1}$



#### EDTA complexes are optically active

#### No plane of symmetry



#### **GUESS**:

Which are enantiomers (non-superimposable mirror images) and which are identical (superimposable mirror images)?



# Mirror Images





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