

## CONCEPT: MO THEORY: HETERONUCLEAR DIATOMIC MOLECULES

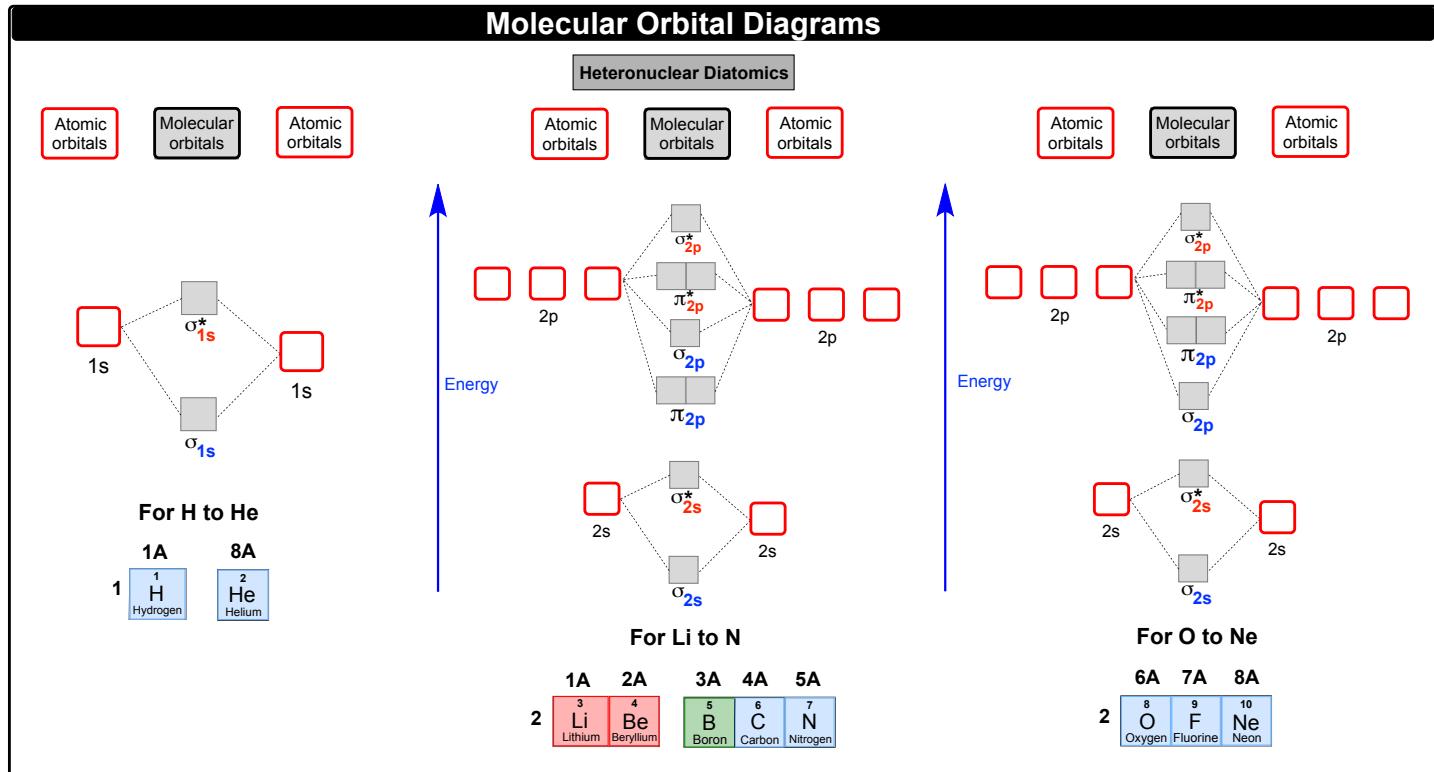
- Recall, a heteronuclear diatomic molecule is composed of two different elements bonded together.

□ The \_\_\_\_\_ electronegative element determines which MO diagram will be used.

- Recall, electronegativity increases as you move to the \_\_\_\_\_ corner of the Periodic Table.

□ The more electronegative element possesses atomic orbitals that are \_\_\_\_\_ in energy.

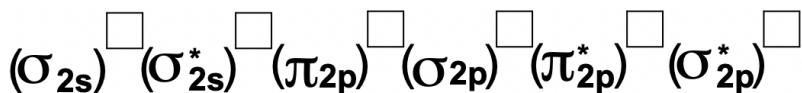
- Recall, \_\_\_\_\_ electronegativity = electrons closer to the nucleus = \_\_\_\_\_ shell number (n).



**EXAMPLE:** Construct the Molecular Orbital Diagram for carbon monoxide, CO.

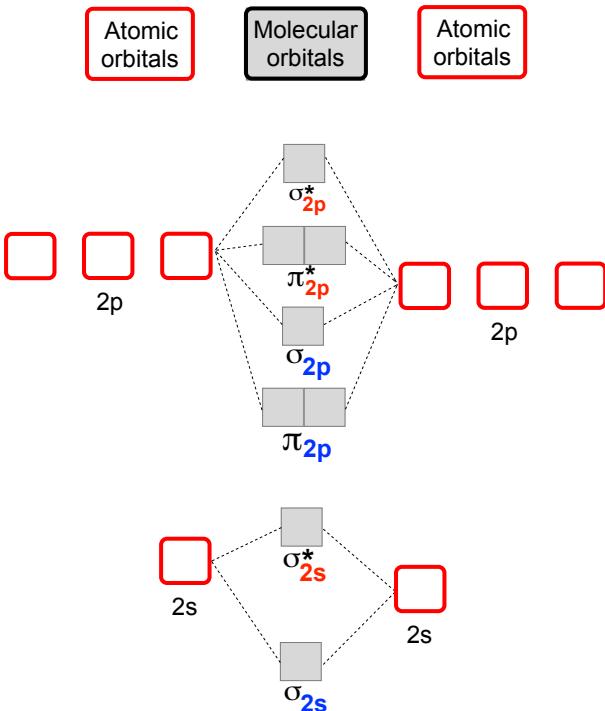
**STEP 0:** Determine the right MO diagram.

**STEPS 1 to 4:** Apply the same steps from homonuclear diatomic molecules.



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**PRACTICE:** Apply Molecular Orbital Theory to determine the MO orbital diagram for the  $\text{CF}^+$  ion.



**PRACTICE:** Using a MO diagram, write the electron configuration for the BN molecule?

- a)  $(\sigma_{2s})^2(\sigma_{2s}^*)^2(\pi_{2p})^4$
- b)  $(\sigma_{2s})^2(\sigma_{2s}^*)^2(\pi_{2p})^4(\sigma_{2p})^2(\pi_{2p}^*)^4$
- c)  $(\sigma_{2s})^2(\sigma_{2s}^*)^2(\pi_{2p})^2(\sigma_{2p})^2$
- d)  $(\sigma_{2s})^2(\sigma_{2s}^*)^2(\pi_{2p})^2(\sigma_{2p})^1(\pi_{2p}^*)^2(\sigma_{2p}^*)^1$

