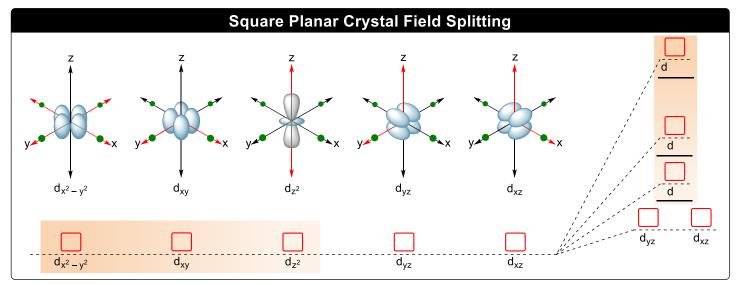
## **CONCEPT:** CRYSTAL FIELD THEORY: SQUARE PLANAR COMPLEXES

- Square planar complexes show the most complex splitting pattern.
- Orbitals on and in-between the \_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_ axes have the strongest interactions with the ligands.



• Square planar complexes have the \_\_\_\_\_ Δ values.

**EXAMPLE**: Which one of these complexes shows the most complex splitting pattern energy?

- a) [CdCl<sub>4</sub>]<sup>2-</sup>
- b)  $[Sc(en)_3]^{3+}$
- c)  $[Ni(NH_3)_4]^{2+}$
- d)  $[Fe(NH_3)_3(H_2O)_3]^{3+}$

PRACTICE: Which of the following complexes will have the largest crystal field splitting energy?

- a)  $[Co(NH_3)_6]^{2+}$
- b)  $[Cr(NH_3)_3(H_2O)_3]^{2+}$
- c) [ZnCl<sub>4</sub>]<sup>2-</sup>
- d) [Ni(CN)<sub>4</sub>]<sup>2-</sup>