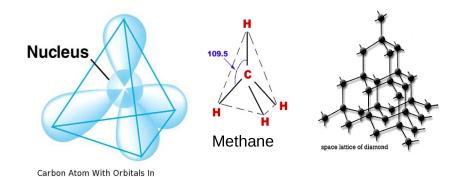
H) Atomic Orbital Diagrams of Carbon

The diagrams are the various orbital geometries of the Carbon atom. They are for the purpose of showing the various three-dimensional arrangements that can occur in Carbon chemistry. These 3-Dimensional structures contribute to the physical, chemical, and biological properties of organic chemicals.



Pyramidal Arrangement

Carbon Single Bond Arrangement. Tetrahedral in shape. Each Lobe connects to another atom. Diamond is an example of Carbon atoms in this arrangement connected to each other as a lattice. Methane has Hydrogen atoms at the endpoints of each orbital.

Two lobes of one π bond

A

B

Two lobes of one π bond

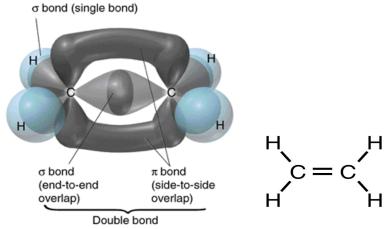
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Carbon Triple Bond Arrangement. Linear in shape. In this example, each Carbon has one single bond to a Hydrogen atom, and a shared "triple bond" between them.

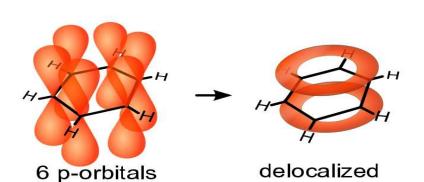
The Chemical Shown is Acetylene: C2H2

Carbon Double Bond Arrangement. Planar in shape. In this example, each Carbon has two single bonds to Hydrogen atoms, and a shared "double bond" between them.

The Chemical Shown Is Ethylene: C2H4



Ethylene



Aromatic Carbon Bond Arrangement. Toroidal in shape. In this example, each Carbon has one single bond to a Hydrogen atom, plus two single bonds to adjacent Carbon atoms. The remaining orbitals of all the carbon atoms "delocalize", or merge, to form a single toroidal shaped orbital above and below the plane of Carbon nuclei.

The Chemical Shown is Benzene: C₆H₆