

Exercise 4.3a

Box Orbital Notation – Answers

Name: _____

Date: _____ Per: _____

DIRECTIONS: Write each of the following rules in your own words.

Aufbau Principle: Electrons in their ground state occupy the lowest energy orbitals available. Lower energy orbitals/sublevels must be filled before electrons occupy higher energy orbitals/sublevels.

Hund's Rule: Electrons will fill equal energy orbitals in such a way that a maximum number of unpaired electrons result.

Pauli Exclusion Principle: No 2 electrons may have the same set of 4 quantum numbers. Maximum 2 electrons per orbital and electrons must have opposing spins.

DIRECTIONS: Fill in the diagrams below with the appropriate arrows. Follow all three rules above.

Ar = 18 electrons

1s	2s	2p			3s	3p			4s	3d					4p	5s	4d														
↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓																						

Cl = 17 electrons

1s	2s	2p			3s	3p			4s	3d					4p	5s	4d													
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Mg²⁺ = 10 electrons

1s	2s	2p			3s	3p			4s	3d					4p	5s	4d													
↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓																										

Mo = 42 electrons (exception to Aufbau Principle - e⁻ promotion occurs between 5s and 4d sublevels)

1s	2s	2p			3s	3p			4s	3d					4p	5s	4d													
↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑

P³⁻ = 18 electrons

1s	2s	2p			3s	3p			4s	3d					4p	5s	4d													
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Ni²⁺ = 26 electrons

1s	2s	2p			3s	3p			4s	3d					4p	5s	4d													
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DIRECTIONS: Below each of the following write the name of the rule that is violated in the diagram.

1s	2s	2p			3s	3p			4s	3d					4p	5s	4d													
↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↑	↑	↑																						

Rule(s) = Pauli Exclusion Principle

1s	2s	2p			3s	3p			4s	3d					4p	5s	4d													
↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑	↑	↑																					

Rule(s) = Aufbau Principle

1s	2s	2p			3s	3p			4s	3d					4p	5s	4d													
↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓	↑↓																								

Rule(s) = Hund's Rule

DIRECTIONS: On the back side of the page, make box orbital diagrams for:

- a) Si⁴⁺ b) O²⁻ c) K⁺ d) Li⁺ e) Cl⁻ f) Mn³⁺ g) C⁴⁺

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a) Si^{4+} ($10e^-$)

1s	2s	2p			3s	3p			4s	3d					4p			5s	4d																		
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b) O^{2-} ($10e^-$)

1s	2s	2p			3s	3p			4s	3d					4p			5s	4d																				
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c) K^+ ($18e^-$)

1s	2s	2p			3s	3p			4s	3d					4p			5s	4d																					
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d) Li^+ ($2e^-$)

1s	2s	2p			3s	3p			4s	3d					4p			5s	4d																						
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e) Cl^- ($18e^-$)

1s	2s	2p			3s	3p			4s	3d					4p			5s	4d																							
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f) Mn^{3+} ($22e^-$)

1s	2s	2p			3s	3p			4s	3d					4p			5s	4d																								
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g) C^{4+} ($2e^-$)

1s	2s	2p			3s	3p			4s	3d					4p			5s	4d																											
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