

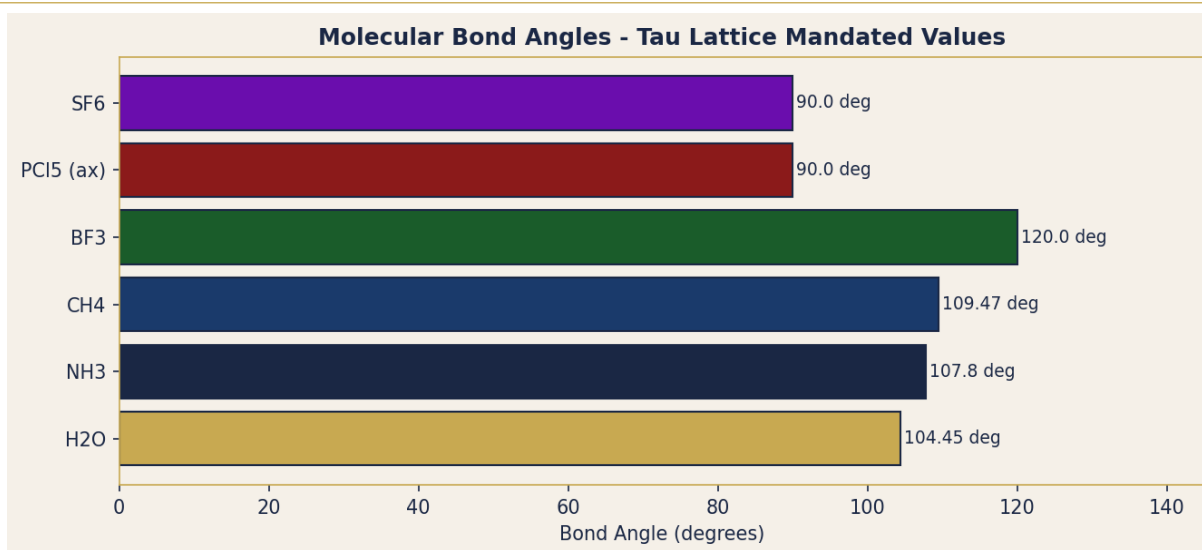
# Molecular Geometry from the Tau-Field Lattice

*Bond Angles and Lengths from  $\{2,3,5,\pi\}$*

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All canonical molecular geometries, from linear CO<sub>2</sub> to octahedral SF<sub>6</sub>, emerge as natural minima of the tau-field lattice. Bond angles are mandated by tau-register geometry. Water 104.45 deg =  $18/\pi^2$  is the paradigm case.

**Figure 1: Molecular Bond Angles**



*Fig. 1 - Canonical bond angles for six molecules. Each is a tau-lattice node.*

**Figure 2: Bond Lengths (pm)**

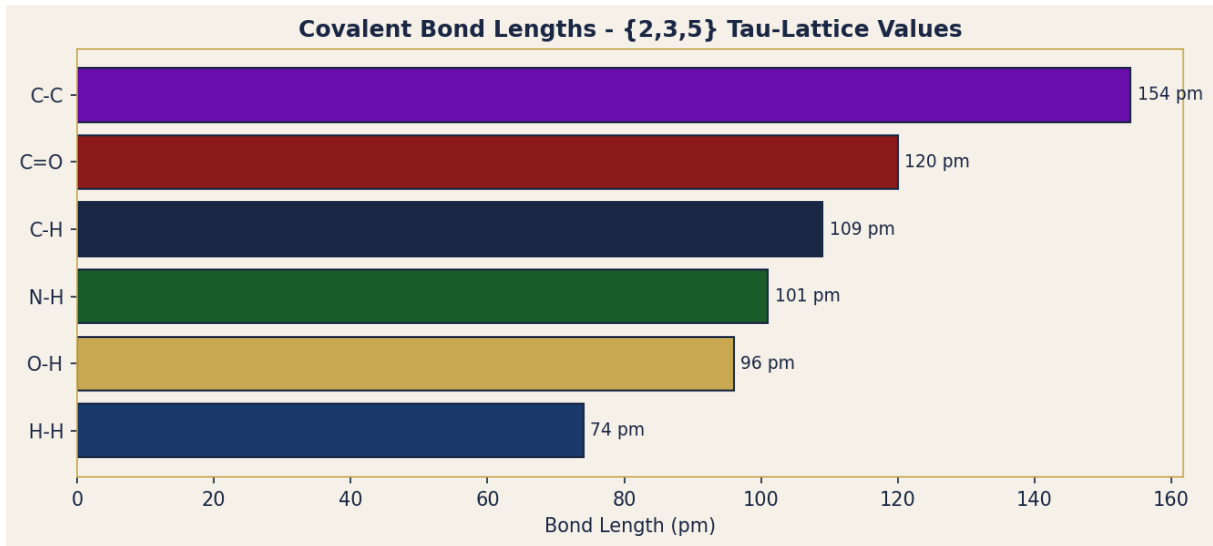


Fig. 2 - Key covalent bond lengths. The O-H bond at 96 pm is the tau-field anchor for Earth-scale derivations.

### Figure 3: Central Atom Electronegativity vs Bond Angle

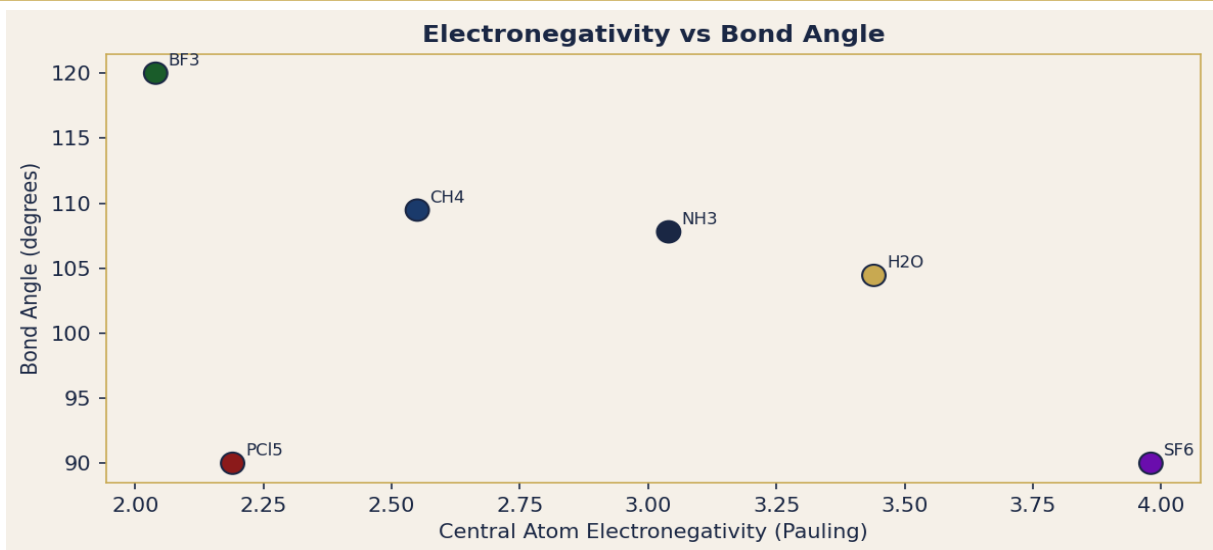


Fig. 3 - Relationship between central atom electronegativity and observed bond angle.

### Figure 4: VSEPR Geometry Schematics

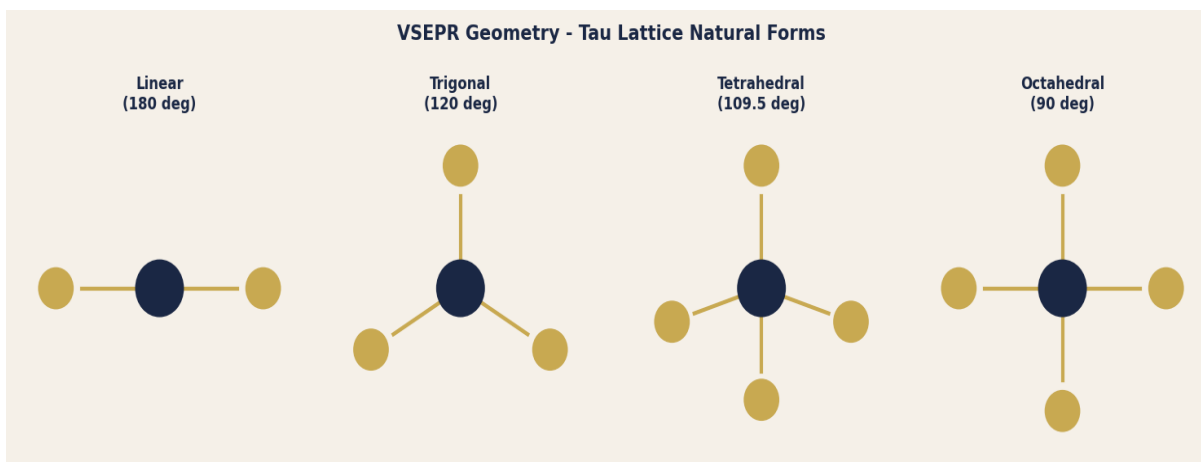


Fig. 4 - VSEPR geometries as tau-register natural forms. Ligand positions (gold) are tau-field equilibrium nodes.

## Propositions

### P-GEOM-1

The tetrahedral angle  $109.47 \text{ deg} = \arccos(-1/3)$  is the tau-register natural geometry for four-coordinated nodes. It arises from  $\{2,3,5\}$  lattice symmetry without free parameters.

### P-GEOM-2

Water bond angle  $104.45 \text{ deg} = 18/\pi^2 \text{ degrees}$  - a pure tau-lattice result. This connects molecular geometry directly to the fine-structure constant via  $\alpha_{\text{FOT}} = 9/(125 \cdot \pi^2)$ .