

**Exercise 3.1**

Determine the point groups of the following: (a)  $\text{CH}_2\text{ClF}$ ; (b)  $\text{NH}_3$ ; (c)  $\text{BCl}_3$ ; (d) allene; (e) 1,3,5-trichlorobenzene; (f)  $\text{trans-Pt}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{Cl}_2$  (considered as square planar); (g)  $\text{BFCIBr}$ .

**Solution 3.1****Exercise 3.2**

Determine the point groups of the following octahedral compounds: (a)  $\text{CoN}_6$ ; (b)  $\text{CoN}_5\text{A}$ ; (c)  $\text{cis-CoN}_4\text{A}_2$ ; (d)  $\text{trans-CoN}_4\text{A}_2$ ; (e)  $\text{cis-cis-CoN}_3\text{A}_3$ ; (f)  $\text{trans-cis-CoN}_3\text{A}_3$ .

**Solution 3.2****Exercise 3.3**

Determine the point groups of the following: (a) chair form of cyclohexane (ignoring the H's); (b) boat form of cyclohexane (ignoring the H's); (c) staggered  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$ ; (d) eclipsed  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$ ; (e) between staggered and eclipsed  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6$ .

**Solution 3.3****Exercise 3.4**

Determine the point groups of the following: (a) ivy leaf; (b) iris; (c) starfish; (d) a right circular cone; (e) twin-bladed propellor; (f) rectangular bar; (g) hexagonal bathroom tile; (h) swastika; (i) tennis ball (with seam); (j) Chinese abacus (counters all in their lowest positions); (k) ying-yang.

**Solution 3.4****Exercise 3.5**

Determine the point groups of the following: (a) a square-based pyramid; (b) a right circular cone; (c) a square lamina; (d) a square lamina with the top and bottom sides painted differently; (e) a right circular cylinder; (f) a right circular cylinder with the two ends painted differently; (g) a right circular cylinder with a stripe painted parallel to the axis.

**Solution 3.5****Exercise 3.6**

What is the point group for the  $\text{tris(ethylenediamine)cobalt(III)}$  ion?

**Solution 3.6****Exercise 3.7**

For which point groups can a molecule (a) have a dipole moment, (b) be optically active?

**Solution 3.7**