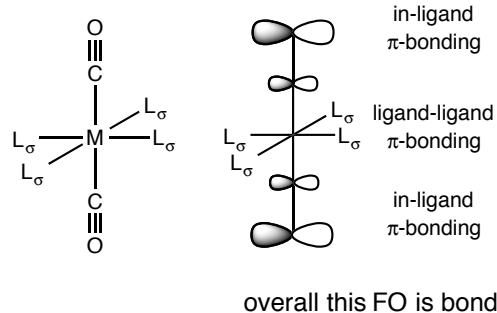


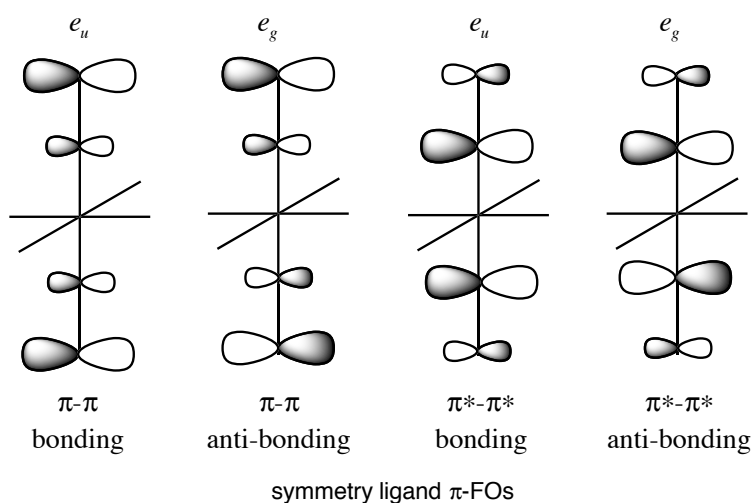
## In Class Activity

- draw and annotate bonding and antibonding FOs for the  $\pi$  and  $\pi^*$  orbitals of  $\text{trans-M(L}_\sigma)_4(\text{CO})_2$ , the first one shown in **Figure 1**
  - remember to keep each ligand FO “together” ie as the  $\pi$  or the  $\pi^*$  FO
  - then take the  $\pi$  FOs and form the bonding and antibonding pair
  - then take the  $\pi^*$  FOs and form the bonding and antibonding pair

don't forget there will be an equivalent set of ligand FOs orientated along the y-axis, so that we will have two bonding  $\pi$ - $\pi$  FOs, two anti-bonding  $\pi$ - $\pi$  FOs, two bonding  $\pi^*$ - $\pi^*$  FOs, and two anti-bonding  $\pi^*$ - $\pi^*$  FOs



**Figure 1**  $\text{trans-M(L}_\sigma)_4(\text{CO})_2$  and one of the ligand  $\pi$ -FO combinations



**Figure 2**  $\pi$  and  $\pi^*$  ligand FOs

- check the symmetry guess for the new  $\pi$ -FOs, I will do one as an example
  - the  $\pi^*$ - $\pi^*$  set are degenerate (aligned along  $p_x$  and  $p_y$  axis)
  - the only options are  $e_u$  and  $e_g$
  - for u both orbitals must change sign under inversion
  - for g both orbitals must remain unchanged under inversion
  - the  $\pi^*$ - $\pi^*$  set must be  $e_g$