Formula:			
List of atoms in the formula  (+ or - ) Charge	A Total A:	N Total N:	<ul> <li>Note 1: N= 8 for all elements, expect for hydrogen N=2</li> <li>Note 2: Find A for each atom by its group number in the periodic table.</li> <li>Note 3: For anion add number of negative charge. For cation subtract number of positive charges.</li> <li>Note 4: For skeleton: <ul> <li>Symmetrical if possible.</li> <li>H and halogens are terminal.</li> <li>Element with fewest valance electrons in center. Also, the least electronegative atom is the central atom.</li> <li>No O-O bonds (expect for O<sub>2</sub> &amp; O<sub>3</sub>).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
S = Number of valence electrons to share = Total (N) – Total(A) =			
Number of lone pairs	electrons = Tot	al(A) - (S) =	
Skeleton:			Skeleton + Shared Electrons
Skeleton + Available Electrons			Final Structure