# Molecular Shape and Polarity

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### Remember ... Polarity

2 Types of Covalent Bonds **Polar Covalent Non- Polar Covalent Unequal sharing Equal sharing of** of electrons electrons

Determined by the atoms

## Remember . . . Electronegativity

Ra

0.9

0.7

1 <b>H</b> 2.20																
3 <b>Li</b> 0.98	4 <b>Be</b> 1.57		Pauling Electronegativity Values									5 <b>B</b> 2.04	6 <b>C</b> 2.55	7 <b>N</b> 3.04	8 <b>O</b> 3.44	9 <b>F</b> 3.98
11 <b>Na</b> 0.93	12 <b>Mg</b> 1.31											13 <b>Al</b> 1.61	14 <b>Si</b> 1.90	15 <b>P</b> 2.19	16 <b>S</b> 2.58	17 <b>CI</b> 3.16
19 <b>K</b> 0.82	20 <b>Ca</b> 1.00	21 <b>Sc</b> 1.36	22 <b>Ti</b> 1.54	23 <b>V</b> 1.63	24 <b>Cr</b> 1.66	25 <b>Mn</b> 1.55	26 <b>Fe</b> 1.83	27 <b>Co</b> 1.88	28 <b>Ni</b> 1.91	29 <b>Cu</b> 1.90	30 <b>Zn</b> 1.65	31 <b>Ga</b> 1.81	32 <b>Ge</b> 2.01	33 <b>As</b> 2.18	34 <b>Se</b> 2.55	35 <b>Br</b> 2.96
37 <b>Rb</b> 0.82	38 <b>Sr</b> 0.95	39 <b>Y</b> 1.22	40 <b>Zr</b> 1.33	41 <b>Nb</b> 1.6	42 <b>Mo</b> 2.16	43 <b>Tc</b> 1.9	44 <b>Ru</b> 2.2	45 <b>Rh</b> 2.28	46 <b>Pd</b> 2.20	47 <b>Ag</b> 1.93	48 <b>Cd</b> 1.69	49 <b>In</b> 1.78	50 <b>Sn</b> 1.96	51 <b>Sb</b> 2.05	52 <b>Te</b> 2.1	53 <b>I</b> 2.66
55 <b>Cs</b> 0.79	56 <b>Ba</b> 0.89	57 <b>La</b> 1.1	72 <b>Hf</b> 1.3	73 <b>Ta</b> 1.5	74 <b>W</b> 2.36	75 <b>Re</b> 1.9	76 <b>Os</b> 2.2	77 <b>Ir</b> 2.20	78 <b>Pt</b> 2.28	79 <b>Au</b> 2.54	80 <b>Hg</b> 2.00	81 <b>Ti</b> 1.62	82 <b>Pb</b> 2.33	83 <b>Bi</b> 2.02	84 <b>Po</b> 2.0	85 <b>At</b> 2.2
87	88															

Pauling Scale set electronegativities on a scale from 0.7 to 4.0

## Remember . . . Lewis Dot Diagrams

Complete the following Lewis Dot Diagrams:

CH<sub>4</sub> NH<sub>3</sub> O<sub>2</sub>

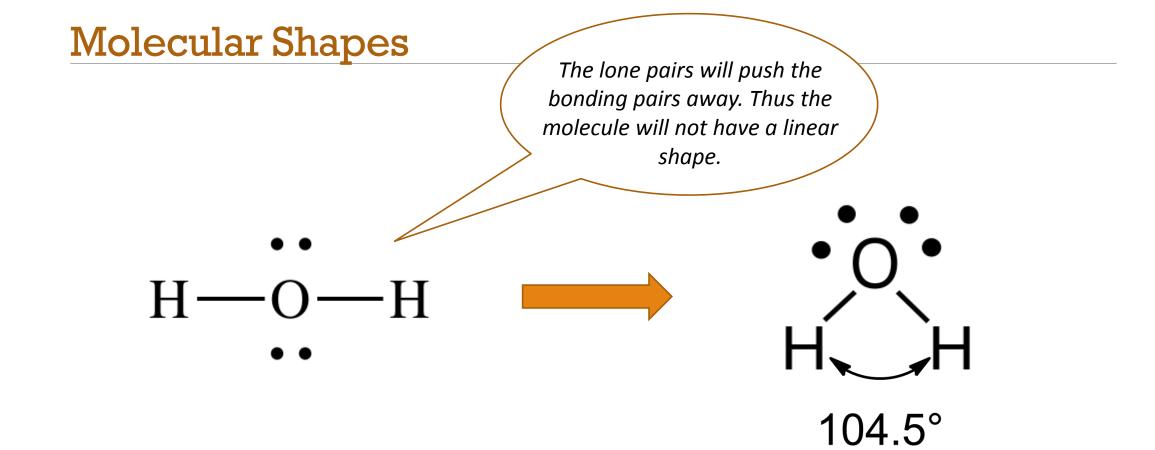
#### Molecular Shapes

- The shape of a molecule is dictated by the electron arrangement within the molecule.
  - Bonding pairs:
  - Lone pairs:

Some common molecular shapes

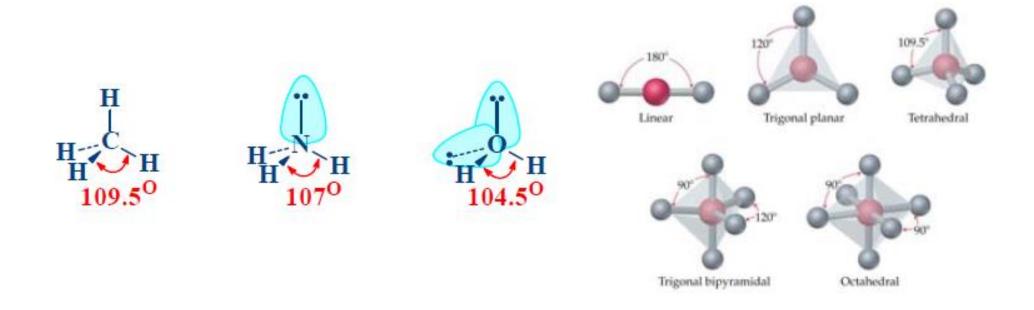
Linear Bent Trigonal pyramidal Trigonal planar

BCI<sub>3</sub>



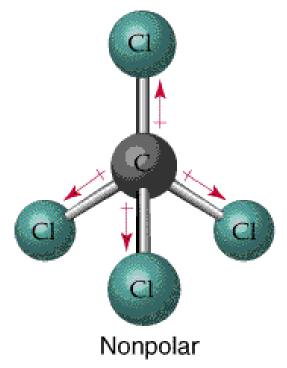
#### Effect of Nonbonding Electrons

The H-X-H bond angle decreases when 'X' changes from a carbon atom (C) to a nitrogen (N) atom.



### Molecular Shape and Polarity

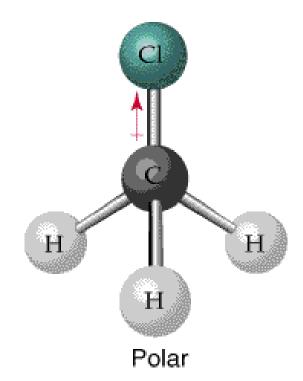
If the bonds between the central atom are all nonpolar, the overall molecule is nonpolar. If the bonds between the central atom are polar, one must consider the **SHAPE** of the overall molecule.



If the polar bonds are <u>symmetrical</u>, they offset one another and the molecule becomes <u>NONPOLAR</u>.

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If the polar bonds are asymmetrical, then one of the bonds will be slightly more polar.
The molecule is **POLAR**.

#### Electron Geometry vs. Molecular Geometry

The overall shape and polarity of the molecule can be determined using the <u>VSEPR Theory</u> (Valence Sheel Electron Pair Repulsion Theory)

**Electron Geometry:** 

**Molecular Geometry:** 

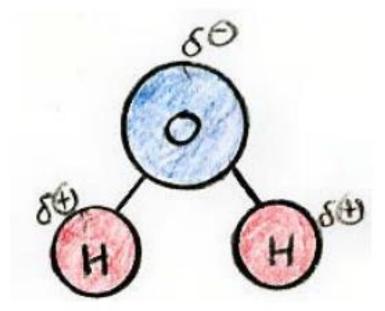
TABLE 10.1	Electron a	nd Molecul	ar Geometries				
Electron Groups*	Bonding Groups	Lone Pairs	Electron Geometry	Molecular Geometry	Approximate Bond Angles	Exa	ample
2	2	0	Linear	Linear	180°	:0=c=0:	• •
3	3	0	Trigonal planar	Trigonal planar	120°	: <u>;</u> : : <u>;</u> :— <u>B</u> — <u>;;</u> :	
3	2	1	Trigonal planar	Bent	<120°	:ö=ÿ-ÿ:	
4	4	0	Tetrahedral	Tetrahedral	109.5°	H—C—H     	
4	3	1	Tetrahedral	Trigonal pyramidal	<109.5°	н—й—н   Н	
4	2	2	Tetrahedral	Bent	<109.5°	н—ё—н	

VSEPR Geometries								
Steric No.	Basic Geometry 0 Ione pair	1 lone pair	2 lone pairs	3 lone pairs	4 lone pairs			
2	X—E—X Linear							
3	X 120° X Trigonal Planar	E X < 120° Bent or Angular						
4	X/I/III E 109° X Tetrahedral	XIIIIE X < 109° Trigonal Pyramid	X E X  << 109°  Bent or Angular					
5	X 120° EXX X Trigonal Bipyramid	< 90° X X//// E < 120° E X Sawhorse or Seesaw	X X X X T-shape	X 180° X Linear				
6	X <sub>Mm.</sub> X 90°  X <sub>Mm.</sub> X X  X X  Octahedral	< 90° X < 90° X < 90° X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X	Square Planar	X Example X X < 90° T-shape	X 180°    Hilling E control    X Linear			

### Molecular Polarity

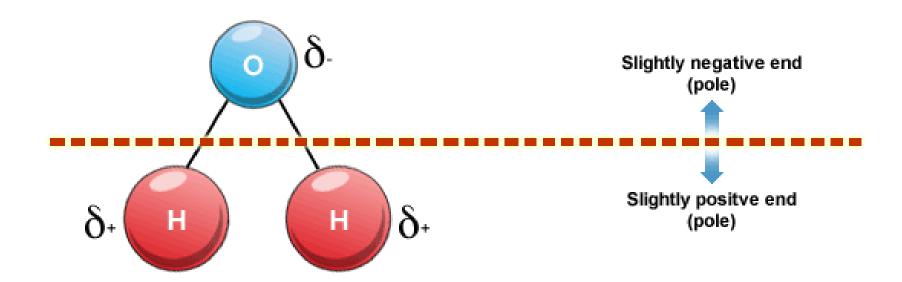
Shape determines whether the entire molecule is *polar or non-polar*.

- Polar molecules have ends with partial charges (+ / )
- Influences interactions with other molecules



### What makes a molecule polar?

- Contains polar bonds ( $\triangle$  EN > 0.4)
- Shape: Electrons are distributed asymmetrically



#### Molecular Shape

 Covalent bonds can be polar or nonpolar depending on the electronegativity of the atoms involved.

- The shape of a molecule can also influence its polarity.
  - a) Symmetrical structures containing more than two atoms only produce nonpolar molecules.

b) Non-symmetrical structures can produce both polar or nonpolar depending on the atoms involved.

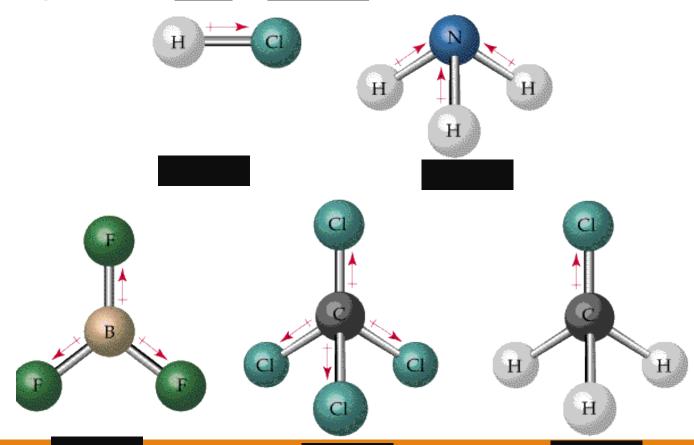
# **Determining Polarity**

	Bond type	Molecular shape	Molecular type
Water	$\delta$ – $O$ $H$ $\delta$ + Polar covalent	δ <sup>+</sup> H O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	Polar
Methane	C H  Nonpolar covalent	H H Tetrahedral	Nonpolar
Carbon dioxide	$\delta$ - $0$ = $0$ $\delta$ +  Polar covalent	o = c = o Linear	Nonpolar

Even if the bonds withing a compound is polar, the overall shape must be asymmetrical for it to be considered a polar molecule.

#### Practice Problems...

Are the following molecules **polar** or **nonpolar**?



### How to Determine the Polarity

- 1. Draw the Lewis Dot Structure
- 2. Identity the number of bond pairs and lone pairs in the molecule
- 3. Identify the electron-group geometry
- 4. Determine whether the molecule is Symmetrical or Asymmetrical

#### **Practice Problems**

Determine whether the molecules below are **polar** or **nonpolar**.

1. SiH <sub>4</sub>	2. CS <sub>2</sub>
3. N <sub>2</sub>	4. SH <sub>2</sub>

#### Homework

- Complete the Molecular Shape and Polarity Worksheet
- Textbook Review Questions: pg. 13 # 4 & 5 pg. 17 # 8 & 11