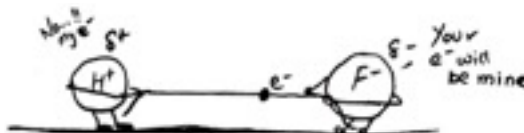


Polar vs. Non-Polar Covalent Bonds

There are two types of Covalent bonds: _____ Covalent and _____ Covalent.

In general, polarity refers to the distribution or sharing of charge across the bond or molecule. Think of this as a tug-of-war between the atoms to see who wants the electrons more.



Polar Covalent Bonds

- _____ distribution/sharing of charge
- One atom pulls the electrons closer due to a higher EN
- The two atoms involved have different EN values

Example: HCl

Step 1 Use table S to find the Electronegativity value for each element.

EN of H = _____ EN of Cl = _____

Step 2 Subtract EN of each element to find the difference (Δ EN)

$$\Delta \text{EN} = (\text{EN of Cl}) - (\text{EN of H})$$

$$\Delta \text{EN} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} - \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Step 3 $\Delta \text{EN} = 0 \rightarrow$ NON-POLAR BOND
 $\Delta \text{EN} \neq 0 \rightarrow$ POLAR BOND

HCl is a _____ Covalent Bond

Practice

NH₃ (look at one N - H bond)

Step 1 EN of N = _____ EN of H = _____

Step 2 $\Delta \text{EN} = (\text{EN of N}) - (\text{EN of H})$

$$\Delta \text{EN} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} - \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Step 3 $\Delta \text{EN} = 0 \rightarrow$ NON-POLAR BOND
 $\Delta \text{EN} \neq 0 \rightarrow$ POLAR BOND

NH₃ contains _____ Covalent Bonds

Non-Polar Covalent Bonds

- _____ distribution/sharing of charge
- The two atoms involved are the same element and/or have the same EN values

Example: Cl₂

Step 1 Use table S to find the Electronegativity value for each element.

EN of Cl = _____ EN of Cl = _____

Step 2 Subtract EN of each element to find the difference (Δ EN)

$$\Delta \text{EN} = (\text{EN of Cl}) - (\text{EN of Cl})$$

$$\Delta \text{EN} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} - \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Step 3 $\Delta \text{EN} = 0 \rightarrow$ NON-POLAR BOND
 $\Delta \text{EN} \neq 0 \rightarrow$ POLAR BOND

Cl₂ is a _____ Covalent Bond

O₂

Step 1 EN of O = _____ EN of O = _____

Step 2 $\Delta \text{EN} = (\text{EN of O}) - (\text{EN of O})$

$$\Delta \text{EN} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} - \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Step 3 $\Delta \text{EN} = 0 \rightarrow$ NON-POLAR BOND
 $\Delta \text{EN} \neq 0 \rightarrow$ POLAR BOND

O₂ is a _____ Covalent Bond

Polar vs. Non-Polar Molecules

In addition to bonds being either Polar or Non-Polar, entire MOLECULES can be classified as either Polar or Non-Polar.

SNAP

Polar Molecule

- Unbalanced distribution of charge throughout the molecule
- ASYMMETRICAL shape
- Molecule includes unbonded or _____ electrons.

Non-Polar Molecule

- EQUAL/Balanced distribution of charge throughout the molecule
- SYMMETRICAL shape
- Any Dipole moments cancel each other out

How to test a Molecule's Polarity

Step 1 Draw the Lewis Dot Diagram for the Molecule

Step 2 Test the molecule for lines of symmetry paying attention to lone pair electrons as well as bonds

Step 3 Symmetrical molecule → NON-POLAR MOLECULE

Asymmetric Molecule → POLAR MOLECULE

Example H₂O

Water (H₂O) is a _____ molecule
* with Polar/Non-Polar covalent bonds (circle one)

CBr₄

CH₄ is a _____ molecule
* with _____ covalent bonds

Practice

NH₃

NH₃ is a _____ molecule
* with _____ covalent bonds

SiBr₄

SiBr₄ is a _____ molecule
* with _____ covalent bonds