

Determining Bond & Molecular Polarity: ΔEN 0 – 0.4 = Non-Polar Covalent ΔEN 0.5 – 1.7 = Polar Covalent ΔEN >1.7 = Ionic

1. Complete the chart below (except the last column)

Use Phet Molecule Shapes & <http://bit.ly/2Za8zLb> chart to help with shape names and determining symmetry.


| Compound | Atom with greater EN | EN Difference | Type of Bond(s) | Shape | Molecule Symmetry (Y/N) | Polar or Non-Polar Molecule? |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| HCl | Cl | 3-2.1 = 0.9 | POLAR COVALENT | LINEAR | NO | POLAR |
| H ₂ S | S | 2.5 – 2.1 = 0.4 | NON-POLAR COVALENT | BENT | NO | POLAR |
| CaO | O | 3.5 – 1 = 2.5 | IONIC | NO SHAPE | NONE | IONIC |
| PCl ₃ | Cl | 3-2.1 = 0.9 | POLAR COVALENT | TRIGONAL PYRAMID | NO | POLAR |

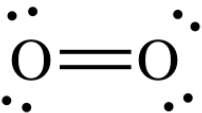
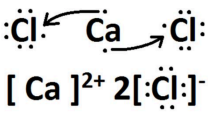
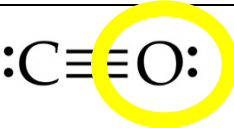
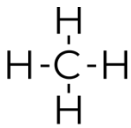
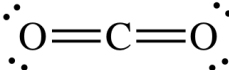
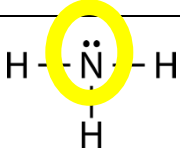
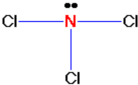

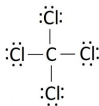
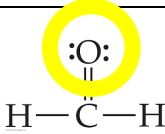
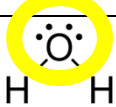
Molecule Polarity Determined by:

- If all of the bonds are all ionic the polarity is just **"Ionic"**
- If all of the bonds are non-polar covalent then the molecule is **"Non-Polar"**
 - ** Unless there are unbound electrons ***
- If the only bond is polar then the molecule is **"Polar"**
- If one or more of the bonds are polar then look at symmetry:
 - If the polar covalent bonds are arranged in a way that causes them to cancel each other out (ie. linear, tetrahedron, or trigonal planar and all bonds are the same) then the molecules is **"Non-Polar"** due to symmetry
 - If the polar covalent bonds do not cancel each other out (ie. pyramid, linear, or bent) then the molecule is **"Polar"**

2. Label the last column in the chart above "Polar or Non-Polar?" and complete the chart.

3. Complete the chart below. If a molecule is **POLAR**, highlight the polar region.

| Compound | Molecule Diagram | Type of Bond(s) | Shape | Molecule Symmetry | Polar or Non-Polar Molecule? |
|----------------|---|-----------------|---------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| H ₂ | H—H | H-H NPC | LINEAR | YES | NON-POLAR MOLECULE |
| N ₂ |  | N-N NPC | LINEAR | YES | NON-POLAR MOLECULE |

| Compound | Molecule Dot Diagram | Type of Bond(s) | Shape | Molecule Symmetry | Polar or Non-Polar Molecule? |
|-------------------|---|----------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| O ₂ |  | O-O NPC | LINEAR | YES | NON-POLAR MOLECULE |
| CaCl ₂ |  | Ionic | NO SHAPE | NONE | IONIC |
| CO |  | C-O PC | LINEAR | NO | POLAR MOLECULE |
| CH ₄ |  | C-H NPC | TETRAHEDRAL | YES | NON-POLAR MOLECULE |
| CO ₂ |  | C-O PC | LINEAR | YES | NON-POLAR MOLECULE |
| NH ₃ |  | N-H PC | PYRAMID | NO | POLAR MOLECULE |
| NCl ₃ |  | N-Cl NPC | PYRAMID | NO | POLAR MOLECULE |
| CF ₄ |  | C-F PC | TETRAHEDRAL | YES | NON-POLAR MOLECULE |
| CCl ₄ |  | C-Cl NPC | TETRAHEDRAL | YES | NON-POLAR MOLECULE |
| H ₂ CO |  | H-C NPC C-O. PC | TRIGONAL PLANAR | NO | POLAR MOLECULE |
| H ₂ O |  | O-H PC | BENT | NO | POLAR MOLECULE |