

# POLARITY and VSEPR

## POLAR MOLECULES

A **polar molecule** is a molecule with one end having \_\_\_\_\_ electrical charge and the other end having negative electrical charge.

This requires two things to be true:

- 1) The molecule must contain polar \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2) Symmetry cannot \_\_\_\_\_ out the effects of the polar bonds.

## VSEPR

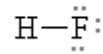
VSEPR stands for Valence Shell \_\_\_\_\_ Repulsion. It predicts three-dimensional geometry of molecules. The valence shell includes the \_\_\_\_\_ electrons. The electron pairs try to get as far away as possible to \_\_\_\_\_ repulsion. VSEPR is based on the number of pairs of valence electrons, both bonded and non-bonded. An non-bonded pair of electrons is referred to as a \_\_\_\_\_ pair. Use the Wetter Way to calculate the number of bonds and then draw the dot-dash diagram. The shape of the molecule, bond angle and polarity can be determined from this diagram.

## LINEAR

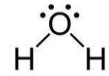
Perform the Wetter Way for  $H_2$ . How many bonds are in this molecule? Sketch the dot-dash diagram. Please include all electrons.

The electrons attempt to maximize their distance from one another by having bond angle of \_\_\_\_\_°.

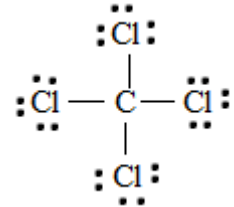
Linear compounds are NOT polar, unless the two elements are \_\_\_\_\_. The hydrogen molecule is (polar or nonpolar).



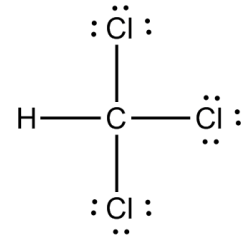
- 1) Is hydrogen fluoride (HF) polar? \_\_\_\_\_



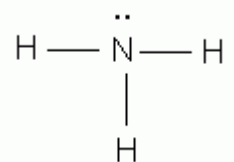
- 2) Is water ( $H_2O$ ) polar? \_\_\_\_\_



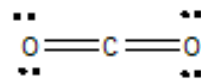
- 3) Is carbon tetrachloride ( $CCl_4$ ) polar? \_\_\_\_\_



- 4) Is trichloromethane ( $CHCl_3$ ) polar? \_\_\_\_\_



- 5) Is ammonia ( $NH_3$ ) polar? \_\_\_\_\_



- 6) Is carbon dioxide ( $CO_2$ ) polar? \_\_\_\_\_

### TRIGONAL PLANAR

Perform the Wetter Way for  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}$ . How many bonds are in this molecule? Sketch the dot-dash diagram. Please include all electrons. (Carbon is the central atom.)

The farthest you can get the elements apart is \_\_\_\_\_°. The shape is flat and called trigonal planar. The  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}$  molecule is (polar or nonpolar).

### BENT

Perform the Wetter Way for  $\text{SO}_2$ . How many bonds are in this molecule? Sketch the dot-dash diagram. Please include all electrons.

The electron pair forces the oxygen's closer together so the angle is \_\_\_\_\_ than  $120^\circ$ . The shape is flat and called bent. The  $\text{SO}_2$  molecule is (polar or nonpolar).

### TETRAHEDRAL

Perform the Wetter Way for  $\text{CH}_4$ . How many bonds are in this molecule? Sketch the dot-dash diagram. Please include all electrons.

The bonding electrons can maximize their distance from one another by forming a \_\_\_\_\_ shape. The furthest they can get away is \_\_\_\_\_°. This basic shape is a tetrahedral, a pyramid with a triangular base. The  $\text{CH}_4$  molecule is (polar or nonpolar).

### TRIGONAL PYRAMIDAL

Perform the Wetter Way for phosphorous trichloride ( $\text{PCl}_3$ ). How many bonds are in this molecule? Sketch the dot-dash diagram. Please include all electrons.

The shape is a basic tetrahedral but you can't see the \_\_\_\_\_ pair. A tetrahedral-like shape that has 3 attached elements and one lone pair is called trigonal pyramidal. The bond angle is \_\_\_\_\_ than  $109.5^\circ$  between the chlorines because the electron pair forces the chlorine's closer to each other. The bond angle between chlorine's is \_\_\_\_\_ $^\circ$ . The  $\text{PCl}_3$  molecule is (polar or nonpolar).

- Determine the number of bonds, draw the dot-dash diagram, state the VSEPR shape and provide the bond angle for  $\text{CO}_2$ .
- Determine the number of bonds, draw the dot-dash diagram, state the VSEPR shape and provide the bond angle for  $\text{BCl}_3$ .
- Determine the number of bonds, draw the dot-dash diagram, state the VSEPR shape and provide the bond angle for  $\text{SCl}_2$ .
- Determine the number of bonds, draw the dot-dash diagram, state the VSEPR shape and provide the bond angle for  $\text{SiF}_4$ .

### BENT

Perform the Wetter Way for water ( $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ). How many bonds are in this molecule? Sketch the dot-dash diagram. Please include all electrons.

The shape is a basic tetrahedral but you can't see the \_\_\_\_\_ lone pairs. A tetrahedral-like shape that has 2 attached elements and two lone pairs is called bent. The two electron pairs force the hydrogen's even closer to each other. The bond angle between hydrogen's is \_\_\_\_\_ $^\circ$ . The  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  molecule is (polar or nonpolar).

Although water dissolves an enormous variety of substances, both ionic and covalent, it does not dissolve everything. The phrase that scientists often use when predicting solubility is "\_\_\_\_\_ dissolves like." Polar substances will dissolve in other substances that are \_\_\_\_\_. Nonpolar substances dissolve in other nonpolar substances.