

CHEM 3.1 CHEMICAL BONDING 1

Lewis electron-dot model, Bond types, Polarity.

(Molecular structure, **intra**- and **inter**- molecular bonding)

INTER-ATOMIC BONDING also termed **INTRAMOLECULAR bonding** (between atoms joined in a molecule or ion)

Electronegativity (EN)

EN = the power of an atom to attract electrons

The larger the value, the greater the electron attracting ability.

For two atoms bonded together:

Largest difference between largest EN **F** (3.98) and smallest EN **Cs** (0.79): **Cs⁺F⁻** $\Delta EN = 3.19$

Gives rise to an **ionic (polar)** material.

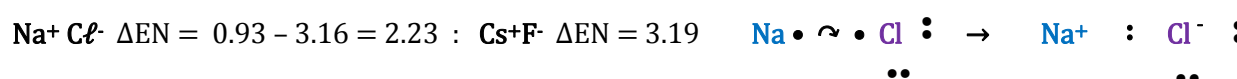
Smallest difference = 0, for two identical atoms which gives rise to a **covalent (shared electrons)** bond which is **non-polar**.

Inter-atomic Bond types:

Ionic **Na⁺ Cl⁻** (complete electron transfer from one atom to the other)

When there is a large difference in EN ($> \approx 2.0$) we have an ionic compound ;

Usually between an s-block element and a p-block element



Covalent **Br-Br** (sharing of two electrons, creates a single, sigma(σ) covalent bond)

$\Delta EN(\text{Br}/\text{Br}) = 2.96 - 2.96 = 0$

Smallest difference $\Delta EN = 0$ (termed **non-polar** molecule) $\text{A} \uparrow \quad \downarrow \text{B} \rightarrow \text{A} \uparrow \downarrow \text{B} = \text{A-B}$

Usually between elements within the p-block

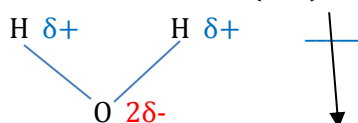
C-H $\Delta EN(\text{C-H}) = 2.55 - 2.20 = 0.35$ (This turns out to be small enough that the C-H bond behaves as if it is non-polar, with no significant charge separation)

Polar covalent **H-F** $\Delta EN = 2.20 - 3.98 = 1.78$ (uneven sharing of two electrons creates a single, sigma(σ) covalent bond, but with a significant 'ionic component' due to the difference in electronegativity which results in a distorted "polarized" molecular electron cloud)

So, **H-F** = $(\delta^+) \text{H}-\text{F}(\delta^-)$ (the **polar molecule** now possesses a **dipole moment, symbol μ** , designated $\overset{+}{\text{H}} \rightarrow \text{F}^-$, since it contains both a positive electric 'pole' (δ^+) and a negative electric 'pole' (δ^-), the symbol δ 'delta' means a 'small amount').

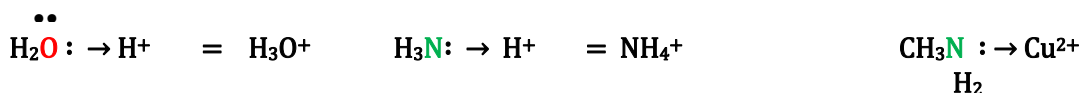
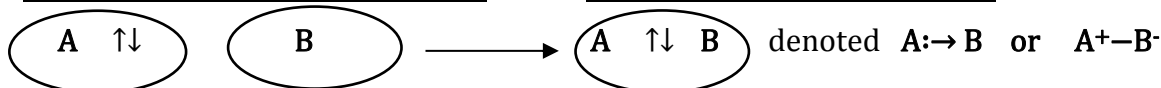
This will be the case, to a greater or lesser extent, for all bonds consisting of different atoms.

Water **H-O-H** $\Delta EN(\text{O-H}) = 3.44 - 2.20 = 1.24$



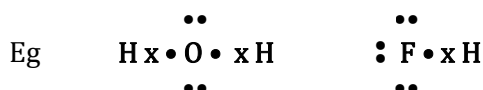
So, **water** is described as a **polar molecule**, $\mu > 0$.

Donor Covalent or Co-ordinate Bond : When one atom donates both electrons to the bond:



Chemical Bonding: LEWIS ELECTRON-DOT STRUCTURES as models of chemical bonding (and their use to assign oxidation numbers)

The model is based on the fact that **all atoms combine to give compounds in which each atom (or ion) achieves the inert gas valence electron configuration of 's²p⁶' (or s² for H) in its outer shell**, as this is the **most stable configuration**.



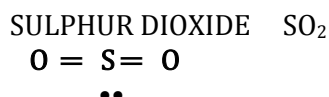
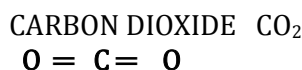
Can form **4 bonds**
No unshared pairs

3 bonds
1 unshared pair

2 bonds
2 unshared pairs

1 bond
3 unshared pairs

BONDING, SINGLE & DOUBLE BONDS, SHAPE & POLARITY



Single & Double bonds

When 2 electrons are shared between 2 atoms we describe the bond as a single, **SIGMA-bond**, and when a further 2 electrons are shared between the same 2 atoms we describe the additional bond as a **PI-bond**, and the combination of the sigma & pi-bonds as a double bond.

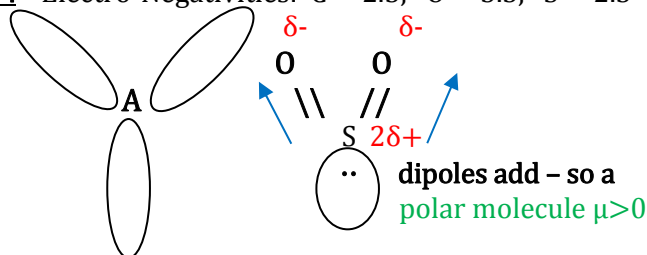
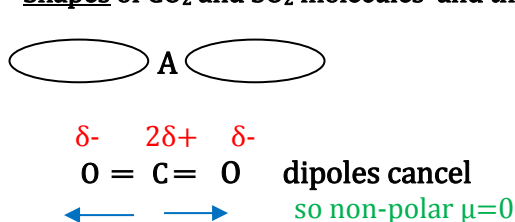
SHAPE from Valence Shell Electron Pair Repulsion Theory = VSEPR theory

How many electron domains (groups of electrons) surround the central atom?

2 electron clouds = linear

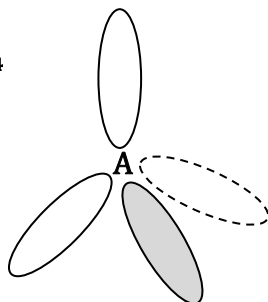
3 electron clouds = trigonal planar = triangular

Shapes of CO_2 and SO_2 molecules and their Polarity: Electro-Negativities: C = 2.5, O = 3.5, S = 2.5



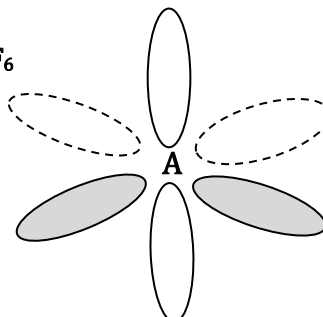
4 electron clouds = tetrahedral

eg. CH_4



6 electron clouds = octahedral

eg. SF_6



INTERMOLECULAR bonding forces (between separate molecules)

IONIC

A Strong inter-particle electrostatic attraction between oppositely charged ions which usually gives rise to hard, solid materials due to their regular giant 'lattice' structure, with an almost infinite number of 3-D ionic attractions.

Eg. Na^+Cl^- $\text{K}^+\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$ $\text{Mg}^{2+}/\text{Ca}^{2+}\text{CO}_3^{2-}$

Can also get isolated ionic interactions such as an ionic “salt bridge” in a protein structure, when proton from -COOH is transferred to -NH_2 group :



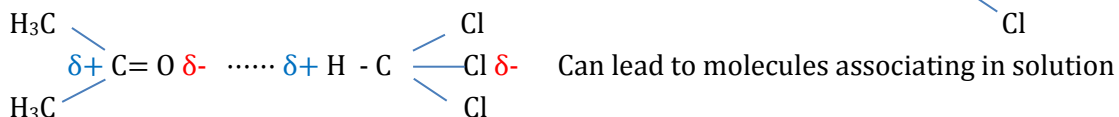
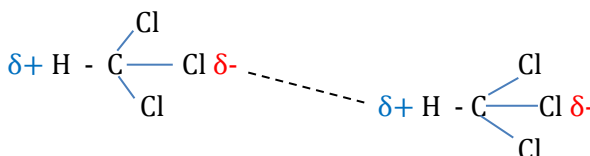
COVALENT (or DONOR-COVALENT)

(A Strong bond arising from electron sharing)

C-C C-O C-N C-H N-H

DIPOLE / DIPOLE (Polar covalent)

(An Intermediate strength bond in solids & liquids arising from attractions between partially charged atoms)



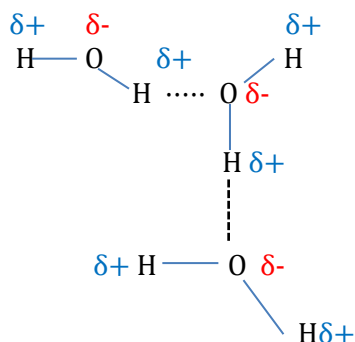
ION/DIPOLE



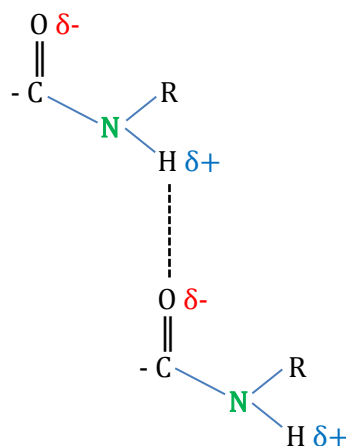
HYDROGEN-BONDING

(An Intermediate strength bond arising from a partially charged hydrogen atom ($H^{\delta+}$) bridging between partially charged negative atoms)

In water



In a protein

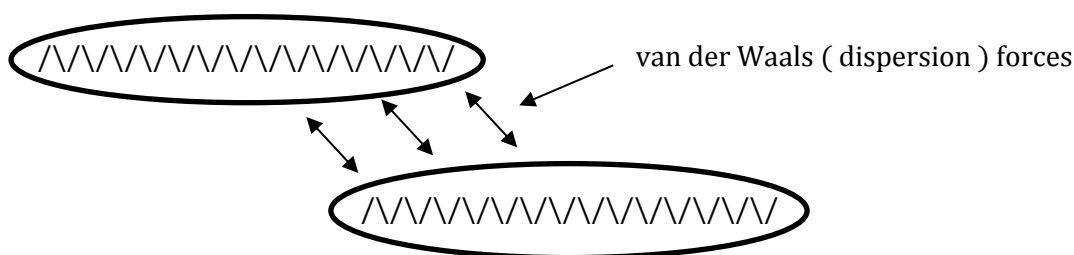


Van Der WAALS (DISPERSION) (also called **Hydrophobic Bonding**)

This very weak interaction is always present between molecules, and atoms, and arises when there are no permanent dipoles in a molecule, we then get **very weak inter-particle bonding** arising from transient distortions in the electron distribution in the atom or molecule. As a consequence, the compounds are usually liquids or gases.

Eg. Consider two **long hydrocarbon chains**, as in a fat/oil

The only covalent bonds present are C-C and C-H, which are both non-polar (due to the similarity in the electronegativities of C & H), which means the only inter-molecular (inter-particle) interactions are the very weak van der Waals forces acting between the separate molecules.



Eg. C_8H_{18} (liquid)

Octane

$H_3C(CH_2)_{10}CH_3$ (liquid)

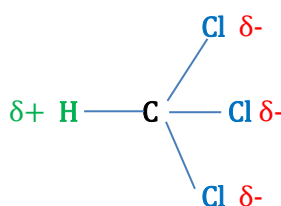
dodecane

$H_3C(CH_2)_{14}CH_3$ (solid, melting point = $18^\circ C$)

hexadecane

Note the **effect of molecular symmetry** in the following examples:

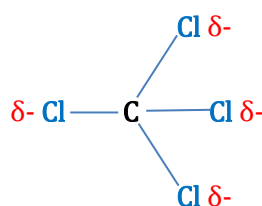
Chloroform = $CHCl_3$



A POLAR molecule

Here the bond dipoles add in a 3-D manner about the tetrahedral C-atom to give a resultant dipole $\mu > 0$.

Carbon Tetrachloride = CCl_4



A NON - POLAR molecule

Here the bond dipoles add in a 3-D manner about the tetrahedral C-atom to give a zero dipole, $\mu = 0$.