

Worksheet: Bond Polarity, Molecular Polarity

Key

1. Identify the types of bonds in the following compounds:

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| a. Na—Cl | <u>ionic</u>         | e. N—N  | <u>nonpolar cov.</u> |
| b. Cl—As | <u>polar cov.</u>    | f. Li—O | <u>ionic</u>         |
| c. C—S   | <u>nonpolar cov.</u> | g. C—O  | <u>polar cov.</u>    |
| d. O—K   | <u>ionic</u>         | h. P—Br | <u>polar cov.</u>    |

2. Explain the difference between nonpolar and polar covalent bonds.

Nonpolar:  $e^-$  shared equally

Polar:  $e^-$  shared unequally, favor atom w / higher EN value

3. Identify the following compounds as polar or nonpolar:

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| a. H <sub>2</sub> O | <u>polar</u>     | e. SiCl <sub>4</sub> | <u>nonpolar</u> |
| b. Cl <sub>2</sub>  | <u>nonpolar</u>  | f. O <sub>2</sub>    | <u>nonpolar</u> |
| c. NF <sub>3</sub>  | <u>non polar</u> | g. CH <sub>4</sub>   | <u>nonpolar</u> |
| d. CS <sub>2</sub>  | <u>nonpolar</u>  | h. HCl               | <u>polar</u>    |

4. Explain why a molecule can have polar bonds but can be nonpolar overall.

In 3D space, all dipoles cancel for overall net dipole of zero,  $\therefore$  nonpolar