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TDC Part 2 Chem (Hons)  
Topic - Dipole moment

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Dipole moment  $\rightarrow$  As we know there are two types of <sup>diatomic</sup> molecule i.e. Homonuclear diatomic (ex -  $H_2, N_2, F_2, Cl_2, O_2$  etc.) & Heteronuclear diatomic molecule (ex -  $HCl, H_2O, HBr$ , etc.). In heteronuclear diatomic molecule due to difference in electronegativity Polarity arises  $\rightarrow H^{\delta+} Cl^{\delta-}$ . The difference of Polarity is known as DIPOLE MOMENT denoted by  $\mu$ . ( $\rightarrow$ )

$$\mu = e \times d$$

Where  $e$  = electric charges,  $d$  = distance between centre of the positive and negative charges. This is a vector quantity

The SI unit for electric dipole moments are coulomb-meter (Cm)

and a commonly used unit is debye (D)

$$1 D = 10^{-18} e \cdot s \cdot u \text{ (C.G.S. unit)}$$

Electronic charge is range of  $10^{-10} e \cdot s \cdot u$

and distance is in order of  $10^{-8} \text{ \AA}$ ,

$$\text{So, } 10^{-10} \times 10^{-8} = 10^{-18} e \cdot s \cdot u$$

$$1 D = 3.336 \times 10^{-30} \text{ coulomb meter}$$

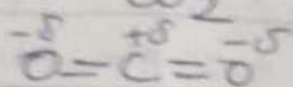
~~So~~ Dipole moment increases with ionic character and decreases with covalent character.

Bond dipole moment - The bond dipole moment uses the idea of electric dipole moment to measure a chemical bond's polarity within a molecule. The greater the difference in <sup>two</sup> electronegativity, the larger the dipole.

A symmetrical molecule like  $\text{Cl}_2$ , has 0 dipole moment. The highly ionic gas  $\text{KBr}$ , has a dipole moment of 10.5 D.

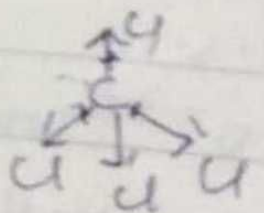
Bond symmetry :- Symmetry is another factor.

Example -  $\text{CO}_2$

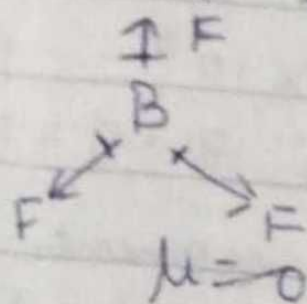


It has two C-O bonds that are polar due to EN difference, but dipole moment is zero. The bonds are on exact opposite sides of the central atom, the charges cancelled out.

Dipole moment of  $\text{CH}_4$ ,  $\text{CD}_4$ ,  $\text{BF}_3$  are zero due to symmetry



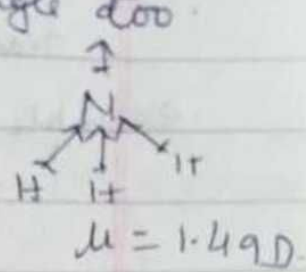
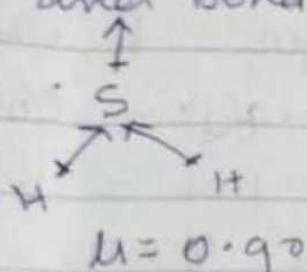
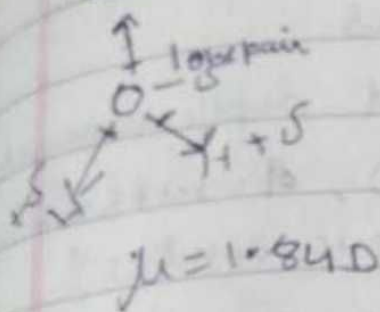
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Molecular Dipole moment :- When a molecule consist more than two atoms, more than one bond is holding the molecule together.  $\mu$  depends polarity and bond angle too.



$$\mu = \sqrt{\mu_1^2 + \mu_2^2 + 2\mu_1\mu_2 \cos \theta}$$

$$\mu = \text{total} - \mu_{\text{lone pair}} + 3 \mu_{\text{bond}} \cos \theta$$

$$\text{Percentage ionic character} = 16(\Delta x) + 3.5(\Delta x)^2$$

where  $\Delta x =$  Electronegativity difference.

Application of dipole moment :-

① In predicting the nature of molecule.

②  $\text{BeF}_2$  ( $\mu = 0$ ) - nonpolar.

③  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  ( $\mu = 1.84 \text{ D}$ ) - Polar

④ Relative polarity of molecules  $\rightarrow$  Greater the value of  $\mu$ , more in polarity.

⑤ Shape of molecule -

$\text{O}=\text{C}=\text{O}$  - linear  $\mu = 0$

$\text{H}_2\text{O}$  - angular, or bent  $\mu = 1.84 \text{ D}$

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④ Calculating % ionic character.

It is the ratio of observed or experimental dipole moment to the dipole moments for complete transfer of electrons.

example: -  $q(d)$  - Observed dipole moment  
for HCl = 1.03 D,  $d = 1.275 \times 10^{-8} \text{ cm}$   
 $\mu = q \times d$ , % ionic character = ?

$$\% \text{ ionic} = \frac{\mu_{\text{observed}}}{\mu_{(100\% \text{ ionic})}} \times 100$$

$$\mu_{\text{obs.}} = 1.03 \text{ D} \cdot (\text{C.G.S unit})$$

$$\mu = q \times d$$

$$\mu_{\text{for } 100\%} = 4.8 \times 10^{-10} \text{ e.s.u.} \times 1.275 \times 10^{-8} \text{ cm}$$

$$= 6.12 \times 10^{-18} \text{ e.s.u. cm}$$

$$= 6.12 \text{ D}$$

$$\mu = \frac{\mu_{\text{observed}}}{\mu_{\text{for } 100\%}} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{1.03 \text{ D}}{6.12 \text{ D}} \times 100$$

$$= 16.83\%$$

Q.2. The dipole moment of LiH is  $1.964 \times 10^{-29} \text{ C.m}$  and interatomic distance between Li and H in the mol. is  $1.596 \text{ \AA}$ . Calculate the % ionic character of LiH.

$$\text{For } 100\% \text{ ionic character} = e = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$$

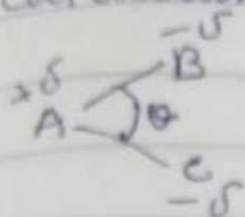
$$\text{i.e.} = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C} \times 1.596 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$$

$$= 2.557 \times 10^{-29} \text{ C.m}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \% \text{ ionic character} &= \frac{\mu_{\text{obs}}}{\mu_{\text{for 100\% ionic}}} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{1.964 \times 10^{-22}}{2.957 \times 10^{-29}} \times 100 \\ &= 66.8\% \end{aligned}$$

③ Calculating of resultant bond moment



$$\mu_R = \sqrt{\mu_1^2 + \mu_2^2 + 2\mu_1\mu_2 \cos \theta}$$

if  $\theta = 0$ ,  $\cos 0 = 1$

$$\mu_R = \sqrt{\mu_1^2 + \mu_2^2 + 2\mu_1\mu_2 \cdot 1} = \text{Maximum Value}$$

if  $\theta = 180^\circ$   $\cdot \cos 180 = -1$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_R &= \sqrt{\mu_1^2 + \mu_2^2 - 2\mu_1\mu_2} \\ &= \sqrt{(\mu_1 - \mu_2)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\cos 0 = 1$$

$$\cos 45 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

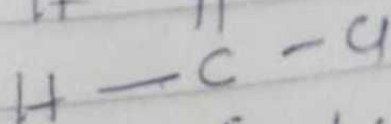
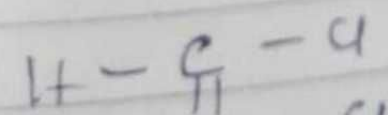
$$\cos 60 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\cos 90 = 0$$

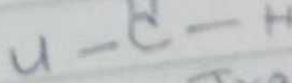
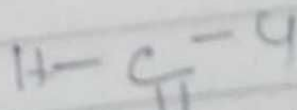
$$\cos 180 = -1$$

$$\cos 120 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Geometry of the molecule can also be determined.



$$\mu = 1.9 \text{ D}$$



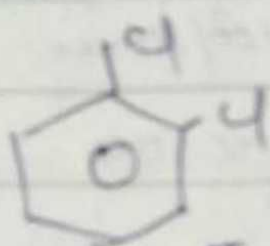
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$$\mu = 0$$

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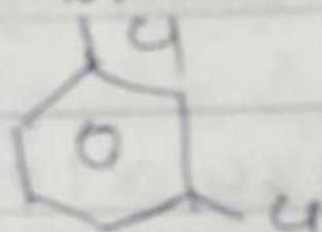
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### Orientation in Benzene



ortho

$$\mu = 2.54 \text{ D}$$



Meta

$$\mu = 1.48$$



Para

$$\mu = 0.$$