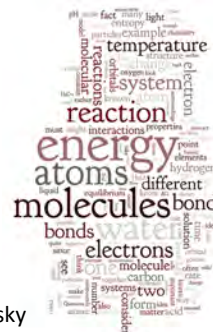


# Molecular Shape, Polarity, and Properties



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# Do molecules interact?

- A. Yes
- B. No
- C. DK

## How do molecules interact?

### Types of intermolecular forces

- London dispersion forces
  - Temporary fluctuating dipoles
  - Depends on size, surface area, and shape of the molecule
  - For non-polar molecules this is the only force present
  - Present in ALL substances
  - Examples?
  - $\text{CH}_4$ ,  $\text{CO}_2$ , Hydrocarbons (only CH),  $\text{Br}_2$

What do you think the BP trend would be for?

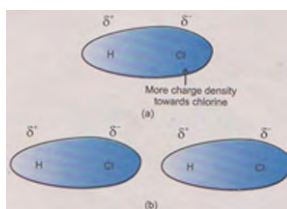
$\text{CH}_4$ ,  $\text{NH}_3$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{HF}$ ,  $\text{Ne}$

Compound	Molar mass g/mole
$\text{CH}_4$	16
$\text{NH}_3$	17
$\text{H}_2\text{O}$	18
$\text{HF}$	20
$\text{Ne}$	20

Bond type	bond length (pm)	atomic radius (pm)
C-H (in $\text{CH}_4$ )	109	C - 70
N-H in ( $\text{NH}_3$ )	101	N - 65
O-H (in $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ )	96	O - 60
F-H in ( $\text{HF}$ )	92	F - 50
not applicable	not applicable	Ne - 38

## Types of intermolecular forces

- Dipole-dipole
  - Present in polar substances (along with LDF)
  - Typically stronger than LDF
  - Examples?
  - $\text{HCl}$ ,  $\text{CH}_3\text{F}$ ,  $\text{CH}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{CH}_3\text{OCH}_3$



### What effect would polarity have on:

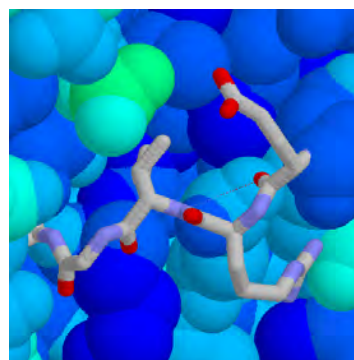
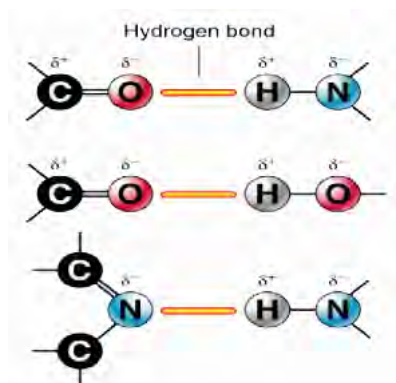
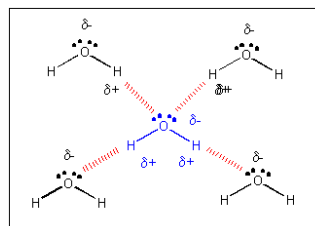
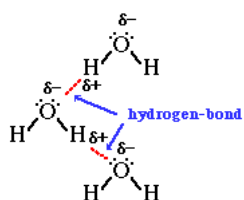
- The strength of the intermolecular force?
  - A. Increase
  - B. Decrease
  - C. Same
  - D. DK
- The mp and bp of the substances?

### Effect of polarity of molecule

- Polar molecules have stronger intermolecular interactions (than similar non-polar molecules)
- Therefore they stick together more strongly and have higher mp and bp (and other properties)

## Types of intermolecular forces

- Hydrogen Bonding
  - Present in compounds with H covalently bonded to O, N or F
  - The bond is highly polarized (charge separated)
  - The interactions **with other molecules** are stronger
  - Compounds with H-bonding also have dipole-dipole and LDF
  - Examples?
  - $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ ,  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$



## What type of IMF present in?

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|--------------------|--------|
| • He               | • 4K   |
| • H <sub>2</sub>   | • 20K  |
| • CH <sub>4</sub>  | • 112K |
| • NH <sub>3</sub>  | • 240K |
| • H <sub>2</sub> O | • 373K |
| • CO <sub>2</sub>  | • 217K |

## Class Activity

1. Draw out 4 molecules of HF showing how they interact with each other
2. Draw out 4 molecules of H<sub>2</sub>O showing how they interact with each other
3. Draw out 4 molecules of CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH showing how they interact with each other
4. Draw out 4 molecules of CH<sub>3</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub> showing how they interact with each other

## Water

- Properties of water are anomalous (compared to other similar materials)
- High mp, bp, specific heat,
- Low vapor pressure
- Density of ice < liquid water
- Huge consequences for life!

## Questions

- Why are the interactions between  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  molecules stronger than those between HF molecules, even though the polarity of the HF bond is larger than the polarity of the OH bond.
- Why don't more than four water molecules interact with a central water molecule?
- What would you predict would be the relative boiling points of methanol ( $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ ) and ethane ( $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_3$ ) - which have similar molecular weights? Explain your answer
- What would you predict would be the relative boiling points of methanol ( $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ ) and ethanol ( $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ )? Explain your answer
- What kind of compound (or what structural feature) would you expect might be attracted to the  $\delta^+$  located on the carbon of methanol?

