Chapter 11

Intermolecular Forces

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#### States of Matter

Dependent on 2 things:

Closeness

**Motion** 

Strength of intermolecular attractions increasing







Liquid

Crystalline solid



Chlorine, Cl<sub>2</sub> Particles far apart; possess complete freedom of motion © 2012 Pearson Education, Inc.



Bromine, Br<sub>2</sub> Particles are closely packed but randomly oriented; retain freedom of motion; rapidly change neighbors



Iodine, I<sub>2</sub> Particles are closely packed in an ordered array; positions are essentially fixed

#### States of Matter

Liquid & solid: atoms/molecules/ ions perpetually touching. condensed phases.



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Droplet of water on a solid surface Shows how liquid molecules stick together

#### The States of Matter

TABLE 11.1         Some Characteristic Properties of the States of Matter		
Gas	Assumes both volume and shape of its container	
	Expands to fill its container	
	Is compressible	
	Flows readily	
	Diffusion within a gas occurs rapidly	
Liquid	Assumes shape of portion of container it occupies	
	Does not expand to fill its container	
	Is virtually incompressible	
	Flows readily	
	Diffusion within a liquid occurs slowly	
Solid	Retains own shape and volume	
	Does not expand to fill its container	
	Is virtually incompressible	
	Does not flow	
	Diffusion within a solid occurs extremely slowly	

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- The state of matter depends on:
  - temperature
  - pressure
  - The kinetic energy of the particles.
  - The strength of the attractions between the particles.

#### Intermolecular Forces



Molecules/atoms can stick to each other. But much more weakly than a bond. Covalent bond strength: 50-200 kJ/mole Intermolecular force: 1-12 kJ/mole

#### Intermolecular Forces



But these weak interactions control many critical properties:

boiling and melting points, vapor pressures viscosities, etc.

#### Intermolecular Forces



#### All weak intermolecular forces are called: van der Waals forces.

#### van der Waals Forces Two major forms:

- Dipole-dipole interactions
   Hydrogen bonding
- London dispersion forces

#### **Dipole–Dipole Interactions**

- Molecules that have permanent dipoles are attracted to each other.
  - The positive end of one is attracted to the negative end of the other, and vice versa.
  - These forces are only important when the molecules are close to each other.



#### **Dipole–Dipole Interactions**





Propane  $CH_3CH_2CH_3$  MW = 44 amu  $\mu = 0.1$  D bp = 231 K Dimethyl ether  $CH_3OCH_3$  MW = 46 amu  $\mu = 1.3 \text{ D}$ bp = 248 K

Acetaldehyde  $CH_3CHO$  MW = 44 amu  $\mu = 2.7 \text{ D}$ bp = 294 K B

Acetonitrile  $CH_3CN$  MW = 41 amu  $\mu = 3.9 \text{ D}$ bp = 355 K

Increasing polarity Increasing strength of dipole–dipole forces

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# The more polar the molecule, the higher its boiling point.

# Hydrogen Bonding

- The dipole-dipole interactions experienced when H is bonded to N, O, or F are unusually strong.
- We call these interactions hydrogen bonds.



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#### Hydrogen Bonding



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• Hydrogen bonding result of high electronegativity of nitrogen, oxygen, and fluorine.

#### Ion–Dipole Interactions

- Ion-dipole interactions (stronger type of electrostatic interaction) are important in solutions of ions.
- The strength of these forces is what makes it possible for ionic substances to dissolve in polar solvents.





Positive ends of polar molecules are oriented toward negatively charged anion Negative ends of polar molecules are oriented toward positively charged cation

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Subatomic particle view

**Polarization view** 



Atom B

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Atom A

While the electrons in the 1s orbital of helium would repel each other (and, therefore, tend to stay far away from each other), it does happen that they occasionally wind up on the same side of the atom.

At that instant, then, the helium atom is polar, with an excess of electrons on the left side and a shortage on the right side.

Atom B Atom A **Polarization view**  $\delta^{-}$  $\delta^+$ Atom B Atom A (b) Instantaneous dipole on atom B © 2012 Pearson Education, Inc.

Subatomic particle view

Subatomic particle view

Polarization view



Another helium atom nearby, then, would have a dipole induced in it, as the electrons on the left side of helium atom 2 repel the electrons in the cloud on helium atom 1.

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Subatomic particle view

Polarization view



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- present in all molecules,
  - polar or nonpolar.
- Tendency of an electron cloud to distort in this way is called polarizability.



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Polarization view

#### Factors Affecting London Forces

Linear molecule, larger surface area enhances intermolecular contact and increases dispersion force •••••



*n*-Pentane ( $C_5H_{12}$ ) bp = 309.4 K

 Shape matters. long, skinny molecules (like *n*-pentane) pack together more efficiently.

- Stronger interaction

Spherical molecule, smaller surface area • diminishes intermolecular contact and decreases dispersion force ••••



Short fat ones pack less well
 Weaker interaction

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#### Factors Affecting London Forces



- increases
   with
   increased
   molecular
   weight.
- Larger atoms more electrons to slosh around easier to polarize.

#### Which Have a Greater Effect? Dipole–Dipole Interactions or Dispersion Forces

- If two molecules are of comparable size and shape, dipole–dipole interactions will likely be the dominating force.
- If one molecule is much larger than another, dispersion forces will likely determine its physical properties.

## How Do We Explain This?



- The nonpolar series (SnH<sub>4</sub> to CH<sub>4</sub>) follow the expected trend.
- The polar series follow the trend until you get to the smallest molecules in each group.

# Summarizing Intermolecular Forces



van der Waals forces

Increasing interaction strength

#### Intermolecular Forces Affect Many Physical Properties

Each molecule can form two hydrogen bonds with a neighbor



Acetic acid, CH<sub>3</sub>COOH MW = 60 amu bp = 391 K

Each molecule can form one hydrogen bond with a neighbor



 $\begin{array}{l} 1\mbox{-}Propanol, CH_3CH_2CH_2OH\\ MW = 60\mbox{ amu}\\ bp = 370\mbox{ K}\\ \end{tabular}$ 

The strength of the attractions between particles can greatly affect the properties of a substance or solution.

## Viscosity

- Resistance of a liquid to flow is called viscosity.
- It is related to the ease with which molecules can move past each other.
- Viscosity increases with stronger intermolecular forces and decreases with higher temperature.



SAE 40 higher number higher viscosity slower pouring

SAE 10 lower number lower viscosity faster pouring

#### TABLE 11.4 Viscosities of a Series of Hydrocarbons at 20 °C

Substance	Formula	Viscosity (kg/m-s)
Hexane	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	$3.26 \times 10^{-4}$
Heptane	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	$4.09 \times 10^{-4}$
Octane	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	$5.42 \times 10^{-4}$
Nonane	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	$7.11 \times 10^{-4}$
Decane	$CH_{3}CH_{2}CH_{2}CH_{2}CH_{2}CH_{2}CH_{2}CH_{2}CH_{3}CH_{2}CH_{3}CH_{2}CH_{3}CH_{$	$1.42 \times 10^{-3}$

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#### Surface Tension



On any interior molecule, each force is balanced by a force pulling in the opposite direction, which means that interior molecules "feel" no net pull in any direction Surface tension results from the net inward force experienced by the molecules on the surface of a liquid.