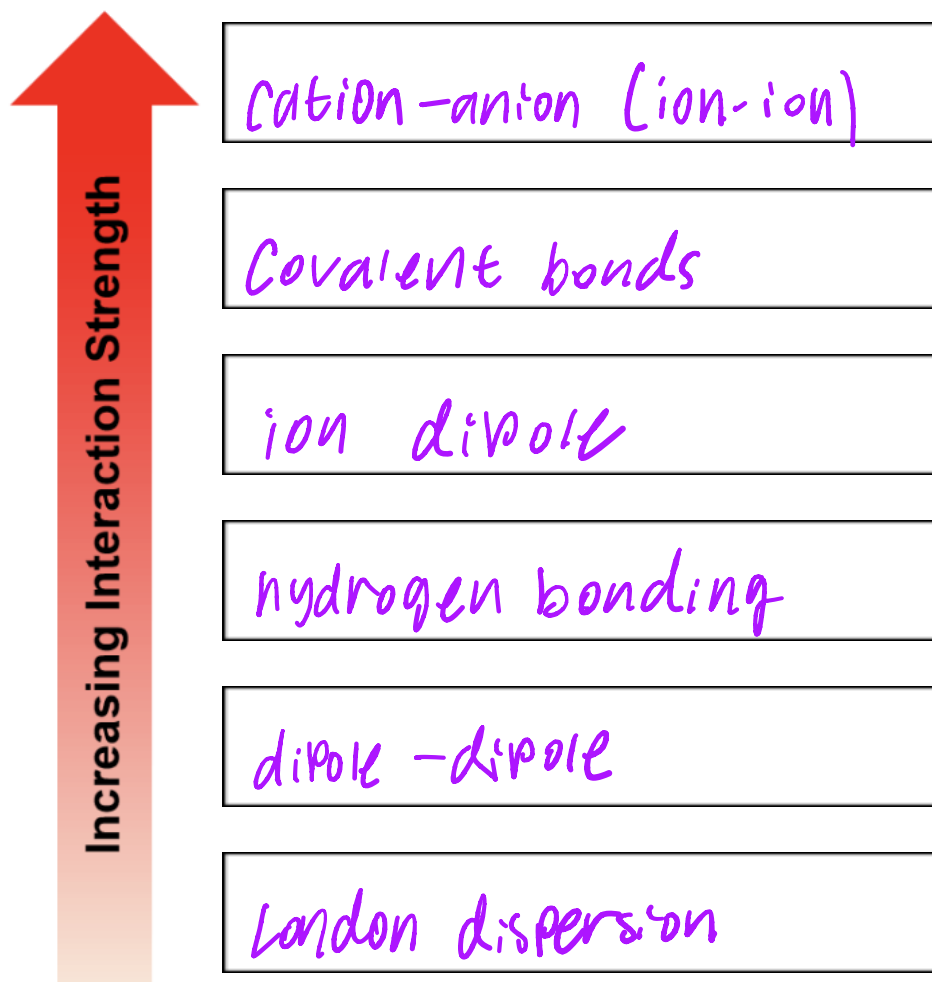


Session 4 Worksheet

Physical Properties and Intermolecular Forces: A Better, Comprehensive Guide



Physical Properties

For this class we are talking about mp and bp

Intermolecular Forces

Ion-Ion:

- Typically observed in crystals and salts
- Both mp and bp are very high

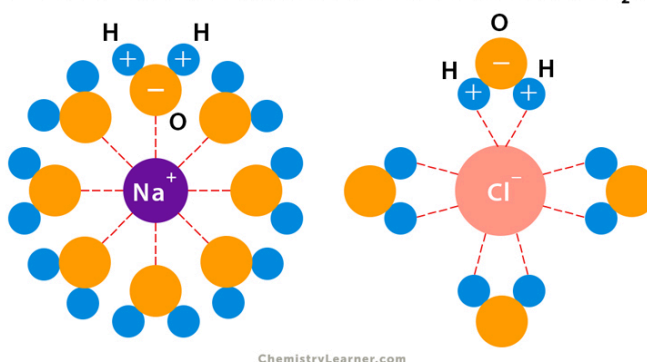
Covalent Bonds:

- An intermolecular force within the compound itself
- Considered Strong because of the sharing of electrons

Ion-Dipole:

- The interaction of a dipole and the +/- charge of an ion

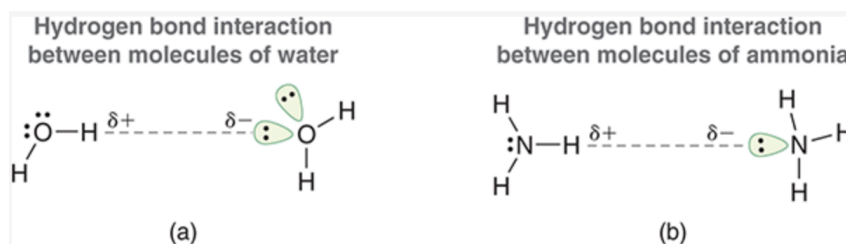
Sodium Chloride (NaCl) Dissolved in Water (H₂O)



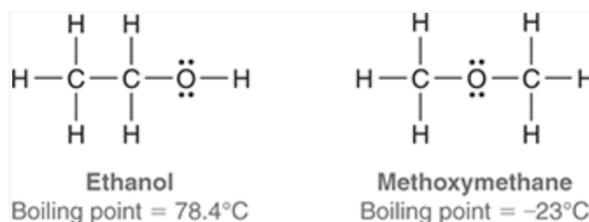
Hydrogen Bonding:

- Not technically a “bond”, more like another form of attraction

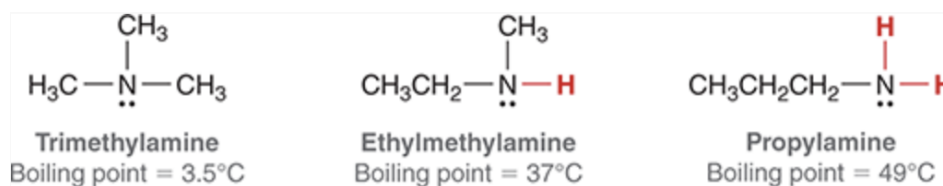
A hydrogen is connected to an EN atom (O, N, F)



How does this affect bp & mp?



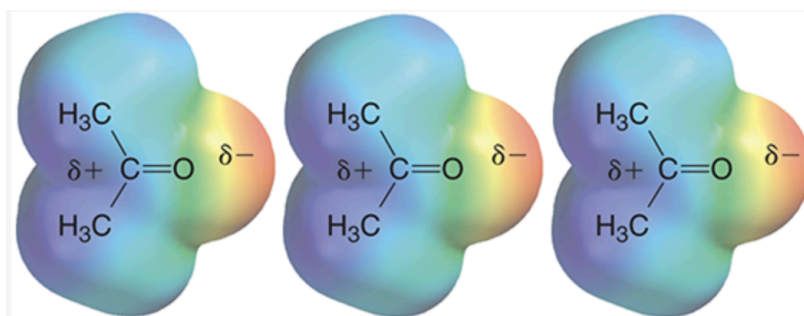
Ethanol has a higher bp because it has a hydrogen bonded to, versus Methoxymethane, which only has a C-O bond



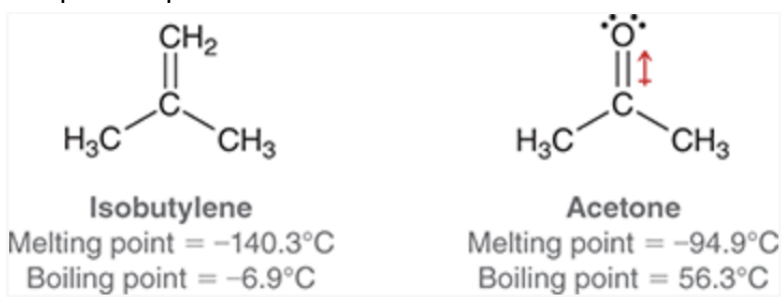
Notice how as more hydrogens are bonded to the Nitrogen atom, the higher the bp gets

Dipole-Dipole:

The resulting net attraction between two dipoles



How does this affect bp and mp?



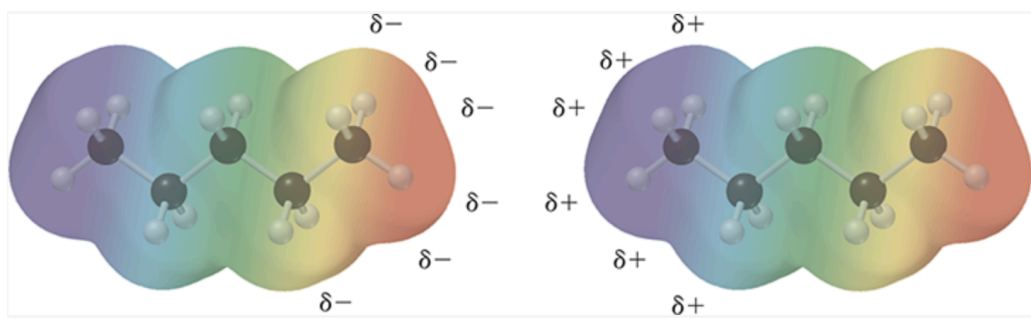
Isobutylene lacks a significant dipole, so the mp and bp are much lower compared to Acetone, which has Strong net dipole

London Dispersion Forces:

A consideration of the positive and negative charges on a whole molecule, rather than the entire atom

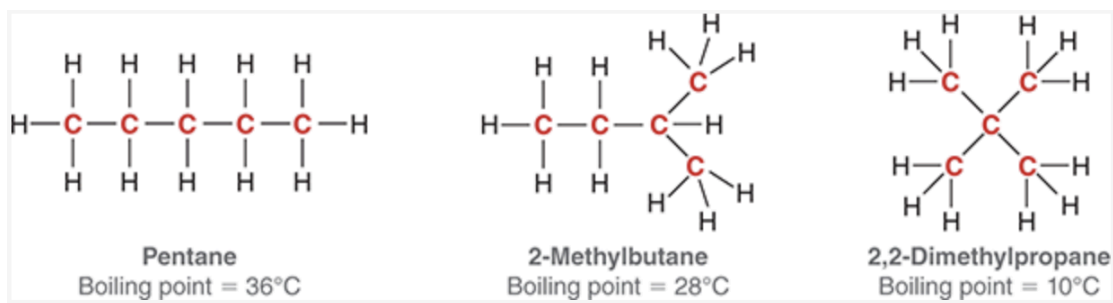
Usually observed in large hydrocarbons

This force is transient, or temporary



How does this affect bp and mp?

The longer the carbon chain, the higher the bp



The more branching, the lower the bp

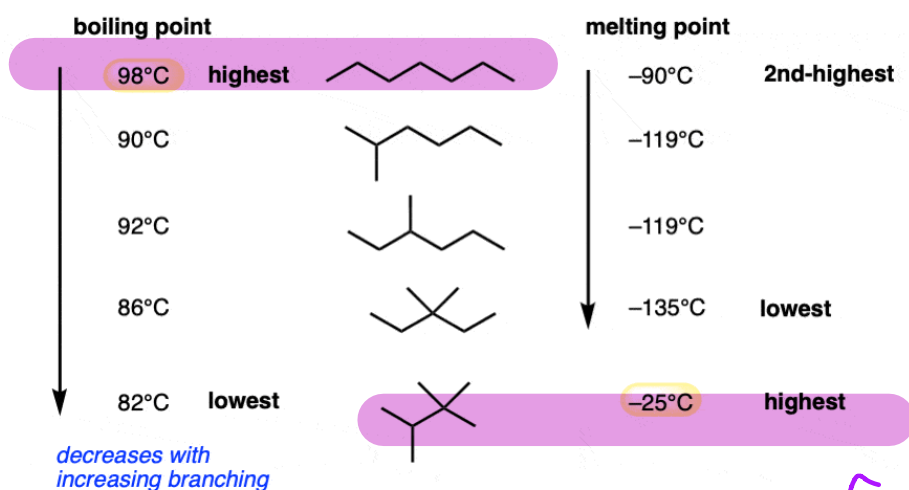
Melting Point

We've been talking about boiling point up until here; however, melting point properties have different requirements

- When it comes to branching, **generally**, the most branched structure will have a high melting point (there are exceptions)

- This is largely due to structure and the ability of the molecules to stack

Boiling and Melting Points For Some Isomers of Heptane (C₇H₁₆)



↑ pay attention to the extremes

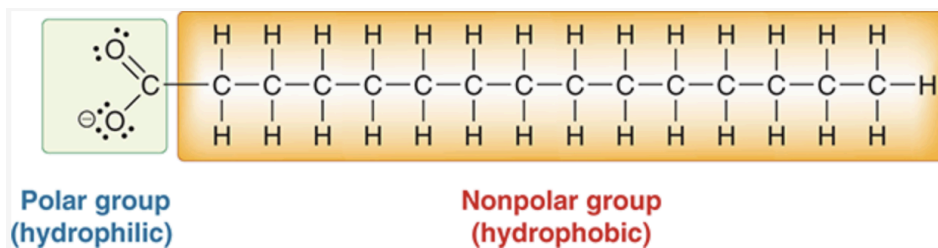
Solubility

“Like dissolves like”

Polar compounds will dissolve polar compounds

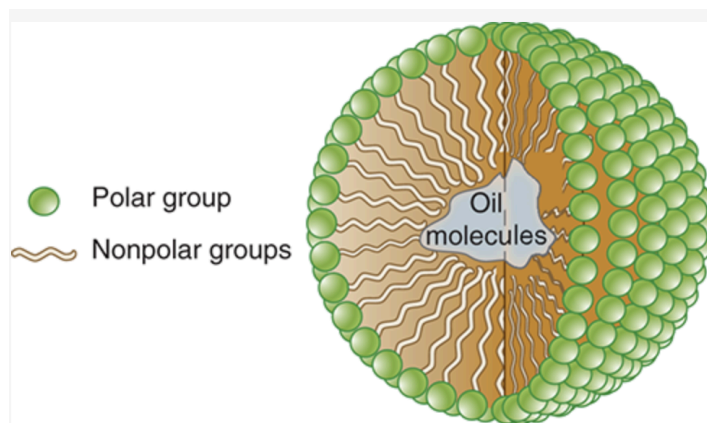
Non-polar compounds will dissolve non-polar compounds

Determining Solubility: at least 3g dissolves in 100 mL for the compounds to be soluble to each other



Because soap has both a polar and non-polar group, it can form a structure called a

micelle to “wash” away an oil molecule, while also being soluble in water



Practice Questions

1. Which of the following compounds has the higher boiling point?

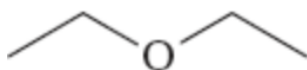
- A. CH_3OH
- ☒ B. NaCl
- C. Benzene
- D. $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_3\text{Cl}$

2. What compound will be soluble in Water?

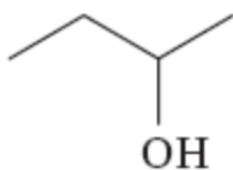
- A. Cyclohexane
- ☒ B. $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$
- C. CCl_4
- D. $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$

3. Rank the compounds in order of decreasing boiling point.

lowest \rightarrow highest bp



I



II



III

- A. $\text{II} < \text{I} < \text{III}$
- B. $\text{I} < \text{II} < \text{III}$
- C. $\text{III} < \text{II} < \text{I}$
- ☒ D. $\text{III} < \text{I} < \text{II}$

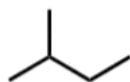
4. What intermolecular force is present in all molecules?

- A. Hydrogen Bonding
- B. Ion-Dipole
- ☒ C. London Dispersion
- D. Dipole-Dipole

5. What is the boiling point and melting point relationship between the following compounds?



n-pentane



2-methylbutane



2,2-dimethylpropane

- A. N-pentane has the highest melting point and boiling point
- ☒ B. 2,2-dimethylpropane has the highest melting point, and n-pentane has the highest boiling point
- C. 2-methylbutane has the highest melting point, and 2,2-dimethylpropane has the highest boiling point
- D. 2,2-dimethylpropane has the highest boiling point, and n-pentane has the highest melting point