What determines whether a substance will be a solid, liquid, or gas?

The attractive forces between its particles

For covalent compounds these forces are called...

Intermolecular Forces

Draw this diagram!

H-N-H

Intermolecular Forces: The attractive forces that exist *between <u>molecules</u>*. (weak)

<u>Covalent Bonds</u>: Sharing of electrons that exist *between <u>atoms</u>*. (strong)

Boiling and Melting Points

When a molecular compound melts or boils, *intermolecular forces* are being broken.



Types of Intermolecular Forces (in order of increasing strength)

1. Dispersion Forces (weakest)

- 2. Dipole-Dipole Forces
- 3. Hydrogen Bonds (strongest)

1. Dispersion Forces (London Dispersion Forces)

Attraction between nonpolar molecules

Weakest intermolecular force resulting from momentary shifting of e- from one side of a molecule to another (temporary/induced dipole)

Dispersion Forces Ex: I₂

To be completed in class! (leave 2-3 lines below)



Larger Atoms or Molecules = Greater Dispersion Force = Higher Boiling and Melting Points

2. Dipole-Dipole Forces

Attraction between *polar* molecules

2. Dipole-Dipole Forces Ex: HCI

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3. Hydrogen Bonds

Strongest dipole-dipole attraction

Occurs between molecules that have H bonded to very electronegative atoms:



3. Hydrogen Bonds Ex: H₂O

To be completed in class! (leave 2-3 lines below) Hydrogen bonds are also what hold the two nucleotide strands together in a DNA molecule.

