

Chemical Bonding FAQ 1

In which of the following sequences are the molecules quoted in order of decreasing boiling points?

- A Ti, K, Ca
- B I₂, HF, HCl
- C SCl₂, AlCl₃, MgCl₂
- D CCl₄, CH₄, CH₂Cl₂

I₂ though non-polar, contain a lot of electrons
∴ strongest id-id which outweighs the absence of H-bond.

HF has H-bonds

HCl is polar with much fewer electrons than I₂
∴ weak VDW.

BP of Ti > Ca > K
due to decreasing metallic bond.

BP of $\underbrace{\text{MgCl}_2}_{\text{Ionic.}} > \text{AlCl}_3 > \text{SCl}_2$

BP of $\underbrace{\text{CCl}_4}_{\text{non-polar but lots of electrons.}} > \underbrace{\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2}_{\text{polar but not as many electrons.}} > \text{CH}_4$

Ans (B)