

IMF, vapor pressure, & boiling point

- review:
 - relative strength of IMF:

H-bond IMF > dipole dipole IMF > London IMF
- vapor pressure (VP):
 - pressure of vapor
 - vapor = gas ← due to evaporation
 - evaporation = liquid → gas
 - evaporation involves overcoming IMF between liquid molecules
- basis / rationale : relative vapor pressure (or volatility = ease to evaporate)

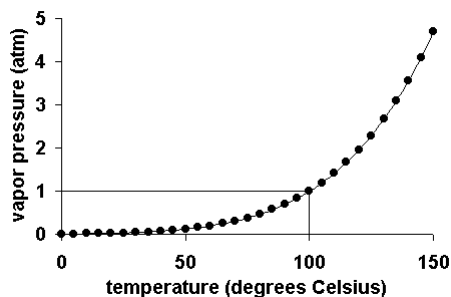
↑ volatility = ↑ VP ← ↑ gas molecules ← easier to evaporate ← ↓ IMF

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relate VP and temperature

- ↑ temperature → ↑ evaporation → ↑ gas molecules → ↑ VP
- that is, VP is an increasing function of temperature



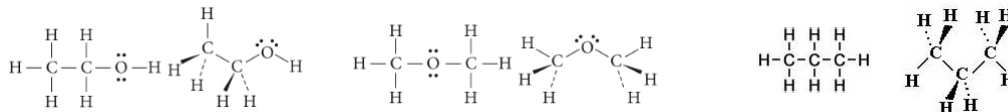
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rationalize / basis: relative VP

What's the relative VP for C_2H_5OH , CH_3OCH_3 , C_3H_8 ? basis / rationale ?



source: <https://12uchem.files.wordpress.com/2017/03/5-vsepr-homework-answers.pdf>; <http://propanehikagin.blogspot.com/2017/06/propane-lewis-structure.html>

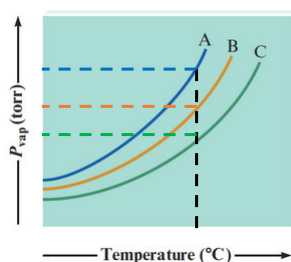
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 - CH_3OCH_3 = polar cpd \rightarrow dipole dipole IMF (+ London IMF)
 - C_3H_8 = nonpolar cpd \rightarrow London IMF
- as relative strength of IMF (assuming similar polarizability):
 - H-bond IMF > dipole-dipole IMF > London IMF ,
 - predict relative strength of IMF: $C_2H_5OH > CH_3OCH_3 > C_3H_8$; (i.e. strong \rightarrow weak), so
 - predict relative VP: $C_2H_5OH < CH_3OCH_3 < C_3H_8$; (i.e. lowest \rightarrow highest)

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experimental data – confirm predictions

	VP	source
C_2H_5OH	6 kPa	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ethanol
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 B: CH_3OCH_3
 C: C_2H_5OH

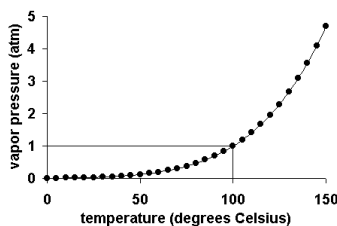
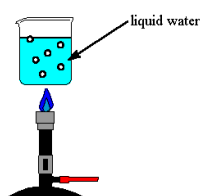
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boiling point

- is the temperature, where the liquid boils
- as boiling: liquid \rightarrow gas & there's "bubbles"
- so it's temperature, where $P_{\text{atm}} = P_{\text{bubble}} = VP$



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- basis / rationale: relative boiling point
 \uparrow boiling point = harder to boil \leftarrow harder to separate liquid molecules \leftarrow \uparrow IMF

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rationalize / basis: relative boiling point

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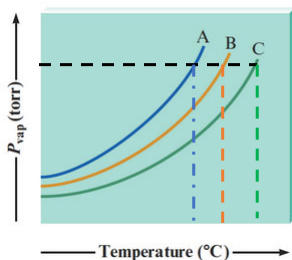
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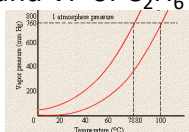
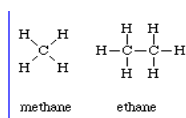
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still another example

recall: increase polarizability \rightarrow increase strength of London IMF.

What is the relative boiling point and VP of C_2H_6 versus CH_4 ? basis / rationale ?



(ignore numeric values on graph)

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<https://archives.library.illinois.edu/erec/University%20Archives/1505050/Rogers/Text10/Tx103/tx103.html>

based on the Lewis structure, VSEPR, and evaluating the molecule's dipole moment, both compounds are nonpolar, so have only London IMF.

as polarizability: ethane $>$ methane \rightarrow London IMF: ethane $>$ methane $\rightarrow \dots$
 \rightarrow boiling point: ethane $>$ methane, while VP: ethane $<$ methane.

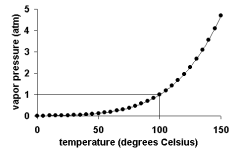
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some applications

rationale / basis:

- at high elevation relative to sea level, there's **lower** atmospheric pressure, so there's a **lower** boiling point,



so takes **longer** time to cook.

- in a pressure cooker, there's **higher** "atmospheric pressure", so there's a **higher** boiling point, so takes **shorter** time to cook.

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