

dispersion forces *(dis-per-sion-for-ces)*

Definition

plural n. weak intermolecular forces that arise from temporary dipoles in molecules, contributing to the attraction between neutral atoms and nonpolar molecules.

Example Sentence

Dispersion forces play a significant role in the behavior of nonpolar substances.

More Example Sentences

The scientist explained how **dispersion forces** can affect the physical properties of materials.

Synonyms

London forces; van der Waals forces; intermolecular forces

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