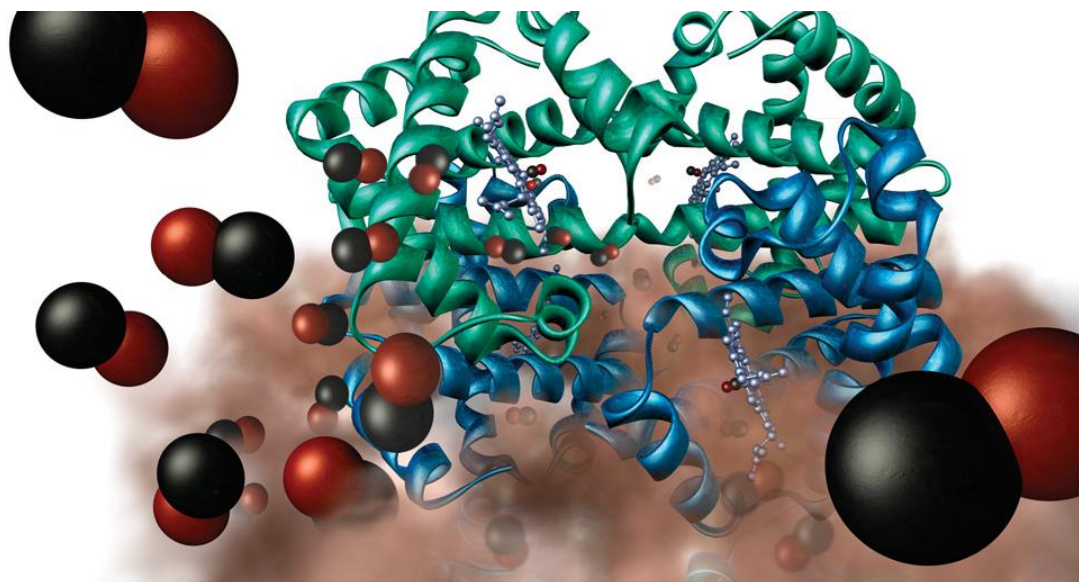


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# Composition of Matter

Atoms and Molecules

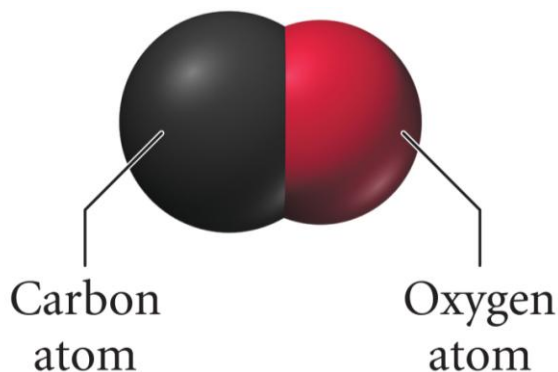
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# Structure Determines Properties

- the properties of matter are determined by the atoms and molecules that compose it

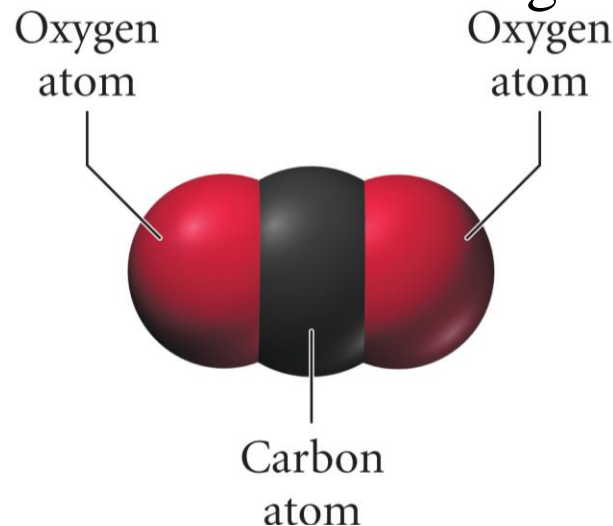
## carbon monoxide

- composed of one carbon atom and one oxygen atom
- colorless, odorless gas
- burns with a blue flame
- binds to hemoglobin



## carbon dioxide

- composed of one carbon atom and two oxygen atoms
- colorless, odorless gas
- incombustible
- does not bind to hemoglobin



# Atoms and Molecules

- **atoms**
  - ✓ are submicroscopic particles
  - ✓ are the fundamental building blocks of all matter
- **molecules**
  - ✓ two or more atoms attached together
    - attachments are called **bonds**
    - attachments come in different strengths
  - ✓ molecules come in different shapes and patterns
- **Chemistry** is the science that seeks to understand the behavior of matter by studying the behavior of atoms and molecules

# The Scientific Approach to Knowledge

- philosophers try to understand the universe by reasoning and thinking about “ideal” behavior
- scientists try to understand the universe through empirical knowledge gained through observation and experiment

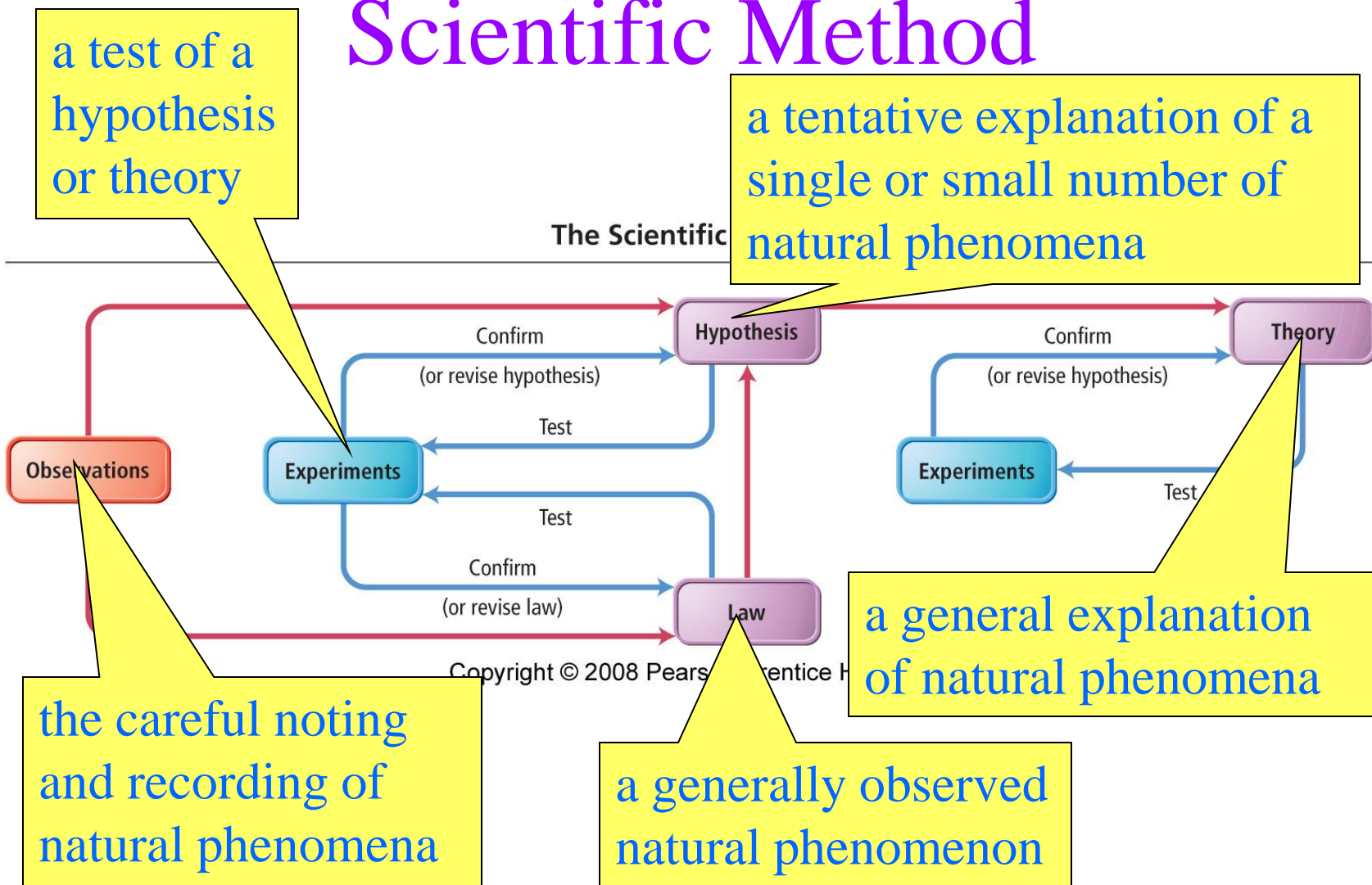
# From Observation to Understanding

- **Hypothesis** – a tentative interpretation or explanation for an observation
  - ✓ falsifiable – confirmed or refuted by other observations
  - ✓ tested by experiments – validated or invalidated
- when similar observations are consistently made, it can lead to a **Scientific Law**
  - ✓ a statement of a behavior that is always observed
  - ✓ summarizes past observations and predicts future ones
  - ✓ Law of Conservation of Mass

# From Specific to General Understanding

- a hypothesis is a potential explanation for a single or small number of observations
- a **theory** is a general explanation for the manifestation and behavior of all nature
  - ✓ models
  - ✓ pinnacle of scientific knowledge
  - ✓ validated or invalidated by experiment and observation

# Scientific Method





# Classification of Matter

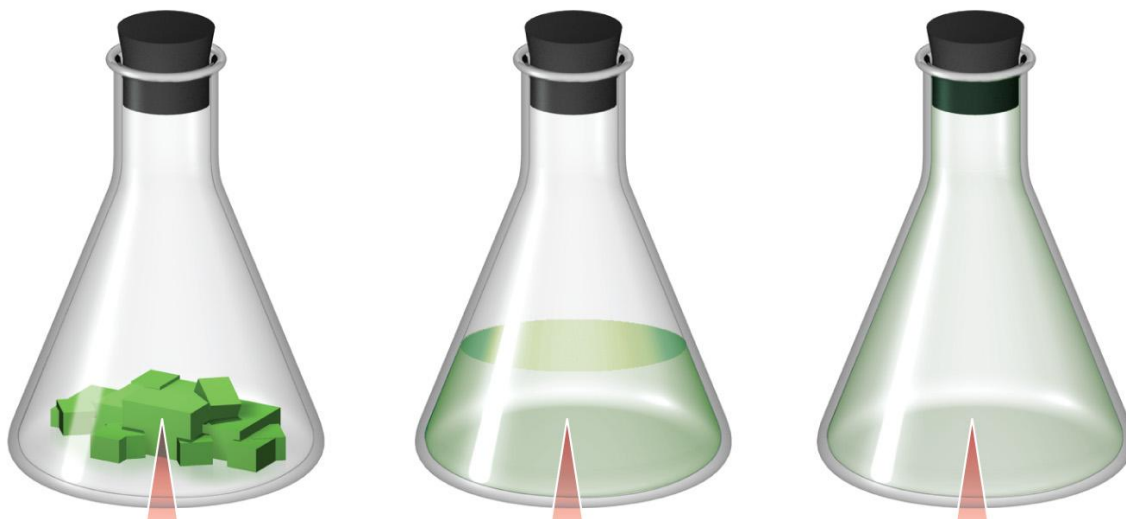
States of Matter

Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical and Chemical Changes

# Classification of Matter

- **matter** is anything that has mass and occupies space
- we can classify matter based on whether it's **solid, liquid, or gas**



# Classifying Matter by Physical State

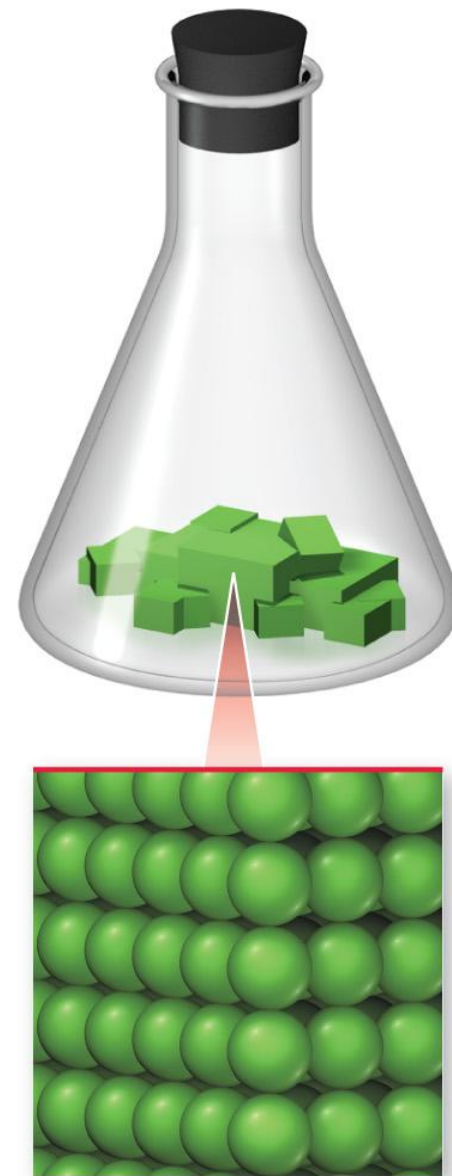
- matter can be classified as solid, liquid, or gas based on the characteristics it exhibits

<i>State</i>	<i>Shape</i>	<i>Volume</i>	<i>Compress</i>	<i>Flow</i>
<b>Solid</b>	Fixed	Fixed	No	No
<b>Liquid</b>	Indef.	Fixed	No	Yes
<b>Gas</b>	Indef.	Indef.	Yes	Yes

- Fixed = keeps shape when placed in a container
- Indefinite = takes the shape of the container

# Solids

- the particles in a solid are packed close together and are fixed in position
  - ✓ though they may vibrate
- the close packing of the particles results in solids being incompressible
- the inability of the particles to move around results in solids retaining their shape and volume when placed in a new container, and prevents the particles from flowing

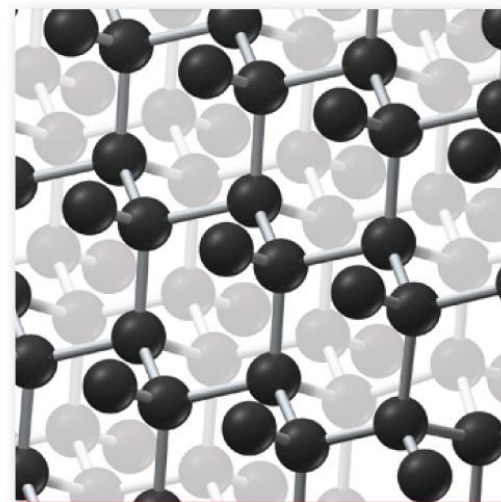


Solid matter

# Crystalline Solids

- some solids have their particles arranged in an orderly geometric pattern – we call these **crystalline solids**
  - ✓ salt and diamonds

**Crystalline:**  
Regular 3-dimensional  
pattern

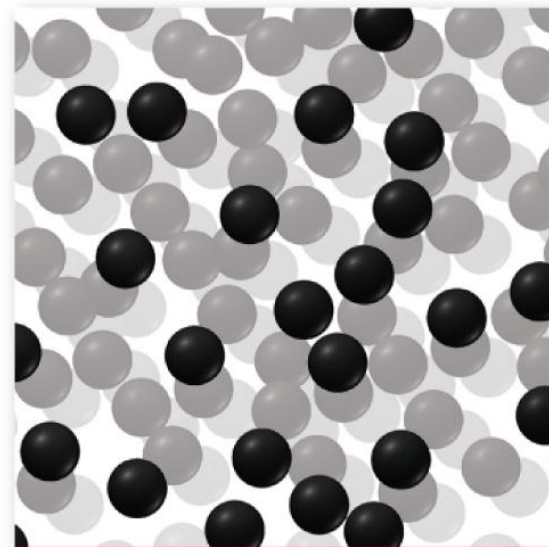


**Diamond**  
C (s, diamond)

# Amorphous Solids

- some solids have their particles randomly distributed without any long-range pattern – we call these **amorphous solids**
  - ✓ plastic
  - ✓ glass
  - ✓ charcoal

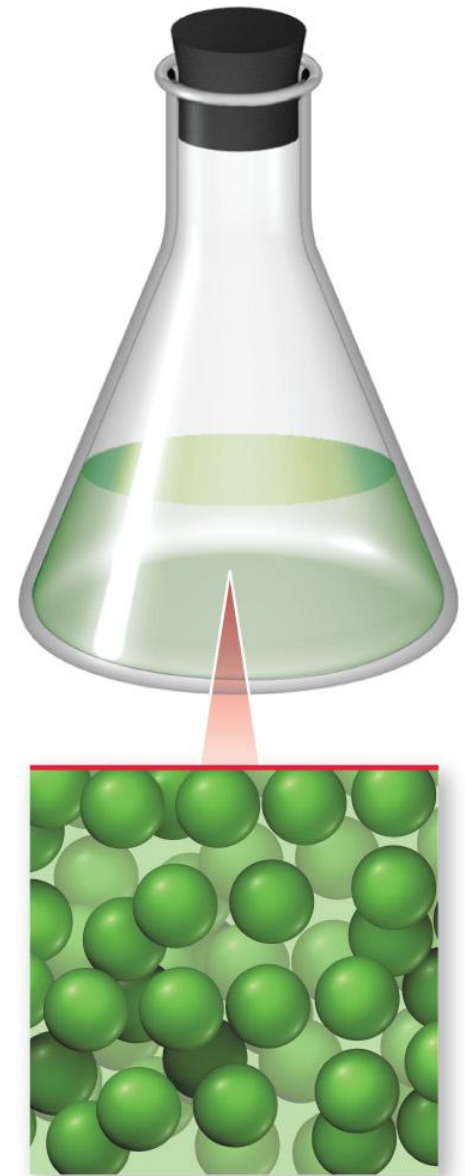
**Amorphous:**  
No regular pattern



**Charcoal**  
C (s, amorphous)

# Liquids

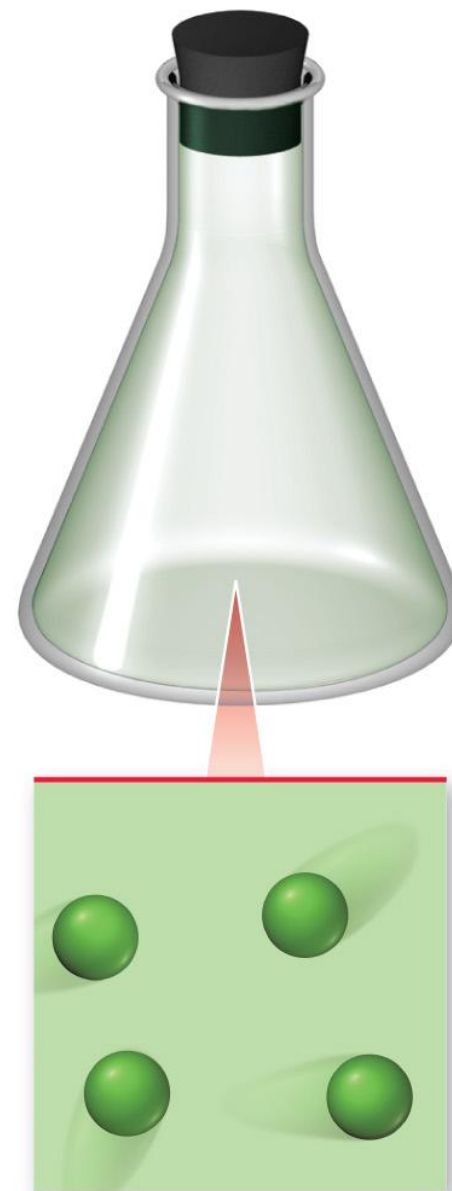
- the particles in a liquid are closely packed, but they have some ability to move around
- the close packing results in liquids being incompressible
- but the ability of the particles to move allows liquids to take the shape of their container and to flow – however, they don't have enough freedom to escape and expand to fill the container



Liquid matter

# Gases

- in the gas state, the particles have complete freedom from each other
- the particles are constantly flying around, bumping into each other and the container
- in the gas state, there is a lot of empty space between the particles
  - ✓ on average

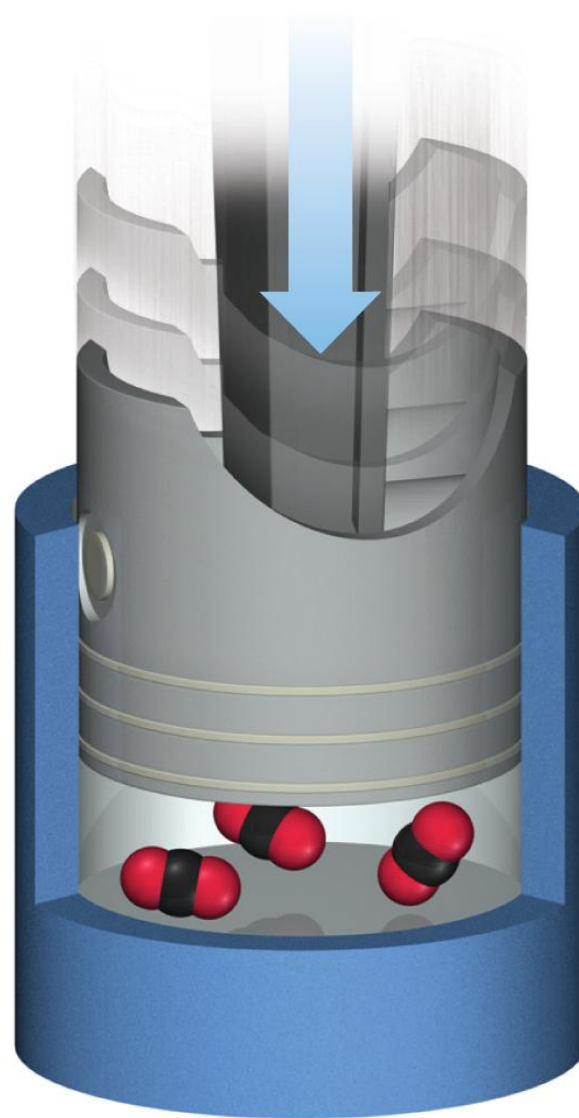


Gaseous matter



# Gases

- because there is a lot of empty space, the particles can be squeezed closer together – therefore gases are compressible
- because the particles are not held in close contact and are moving freely, gases expand to fill and take the shape of their container, and will flow

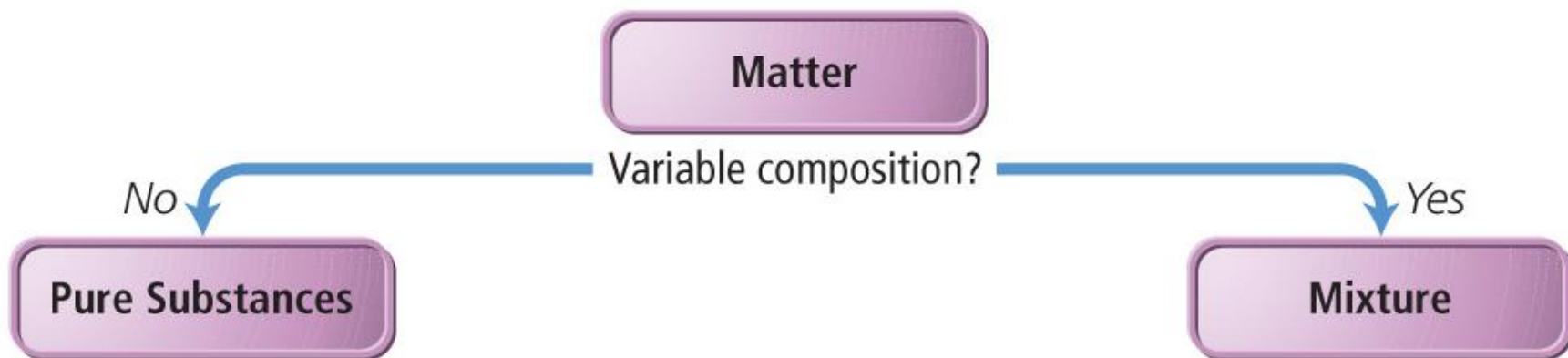


Gas–compressible

# Classification of Matter by Composition

- matter whose composition does not change from one sample to another is called a **pure substance**
  - ✓ made of a single type of atom or molecule
  - ✓ because composition is always the same, all samples have the same characteristics
- matter whose composition may vary from one sample to another is called a **mixture**
  - ✓ two or more types of atoms or molecules combined in variable proportions
  - ✓ because composition varies, samples have the different characteristics

# Classification of Matter by Composition



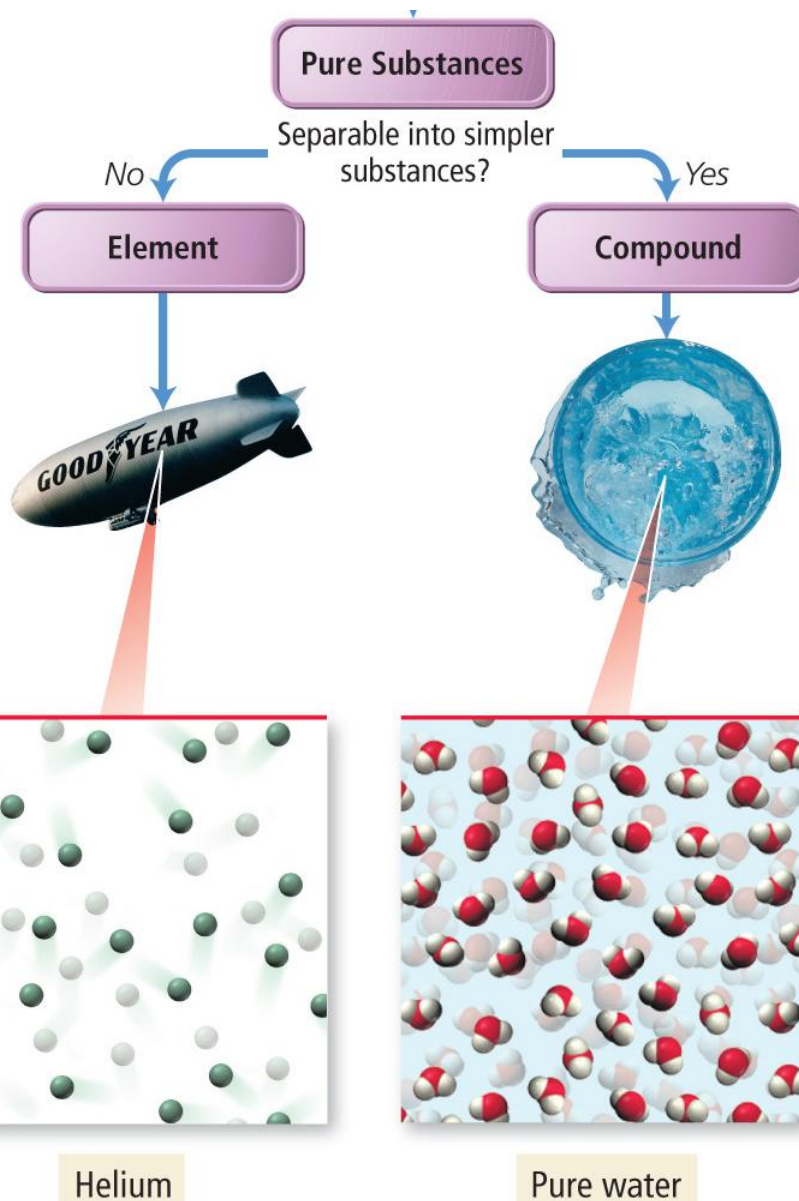
- 1) made of one type of particle
- 2) all samples show the same intensive properties

- 1) made of multiple types of particles
- 2) samples may show different intensive properties

# Classification of Pure Substances

- substances that cannot be broken down into simpler substances by chemical reactions are called **elements**
  - ✓ basic building blocks of matter
  - ✓ composed of single type of atom
    - though those atoms may or may not be combined into molecules
- substances that can be decomposed are called **compounds**
  - ✓ chemical combinations of elements
  - ✓ composed of molecules that contain two or more different kinds of atoms
  - ✓ all molecules of a compound are identical, so all samples of a compound behave the same way
- most natural pure substances are compounds

# Classification of Pure Substances



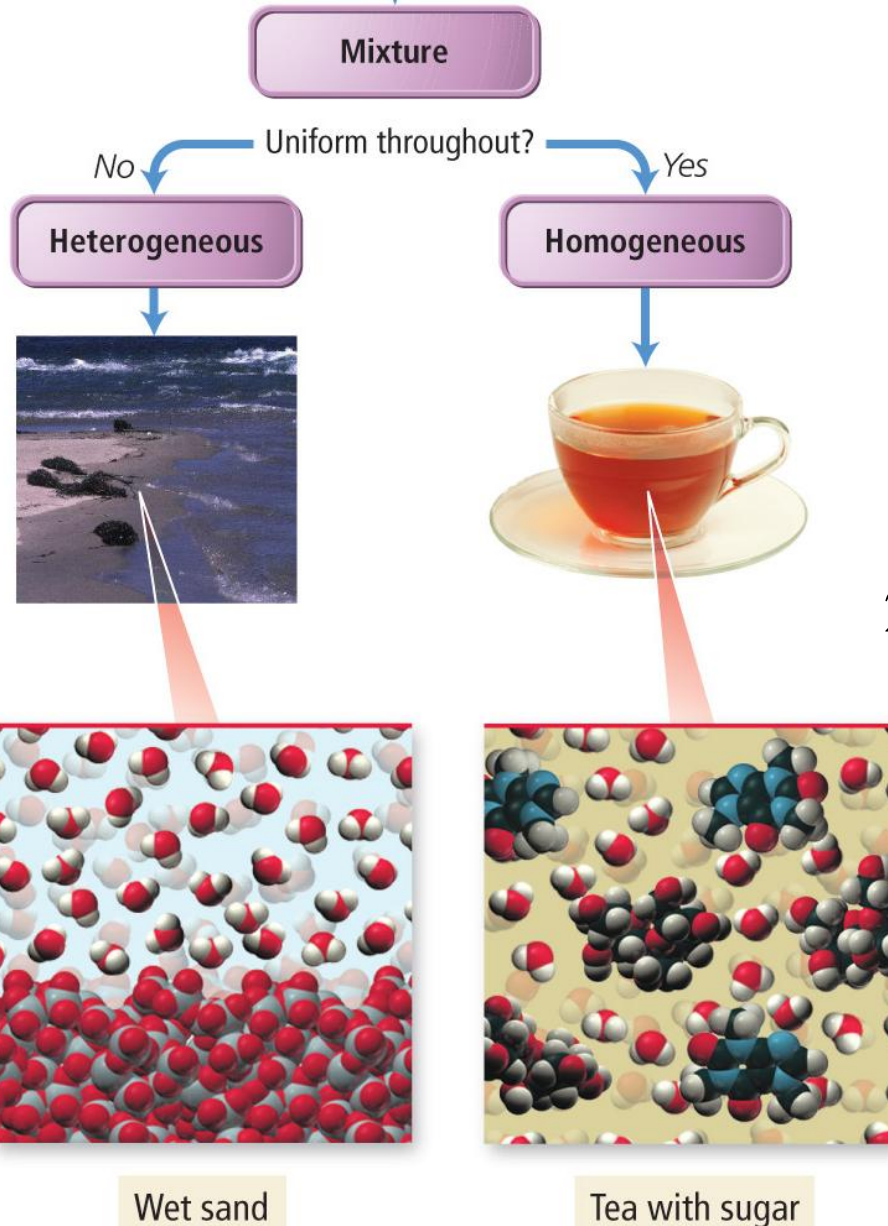
- 1) made of one type of atom (some elements found as multi-atom molecules in nature)
- 2) combine together to make compounds

- 1) made of one type of molecule, or array of ions
- 2) molecules contain 2 or more different kinds of atoms

# Classification of Mixtures

- **homogeneous** = mixture that has uniform composition throughout
  - ✓ every piece of a sample has identical characteristics, though another sample with the same components may have different characteristics
  - ✓ atoms or molecules mixed uniformly
- **heterogeneous** = mixture that does not have uniform composition throughout
  - ✓ contains regions within the sample with different characteristics
  - ✓ atoms or molecules not mixed uniformly

# Classification of Mixtures



- 1) made of multiple substances, whose presence can be seen
- 2) portions of a sample have different composition and properties

- 1) made of multiple substances, but appears to be one substance
- 2) all portions of a sample have the same composition and properties



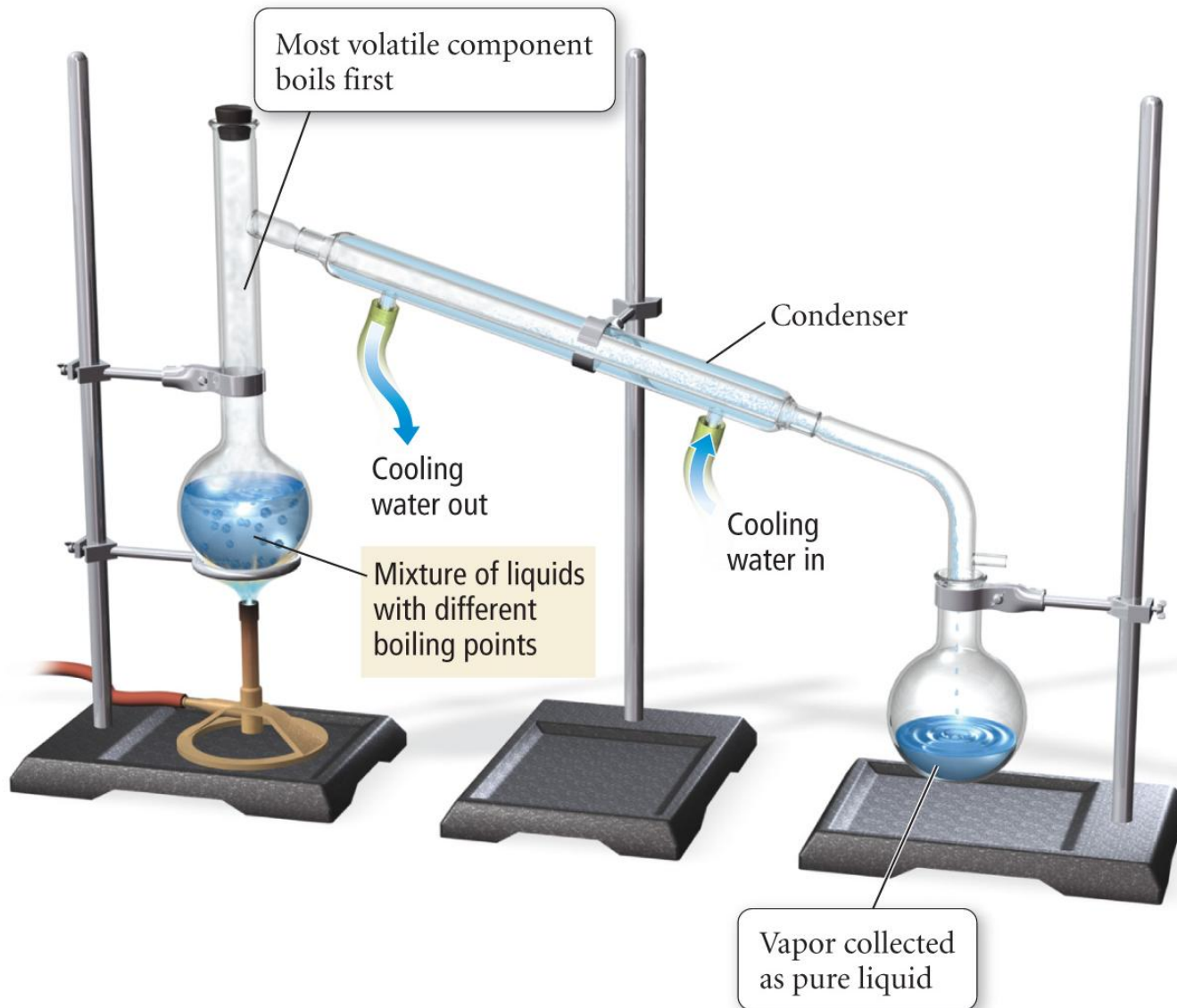
# Separation of Mixtures

- separate mixtures based on different physical properties of the components
  - ✓ Physical change

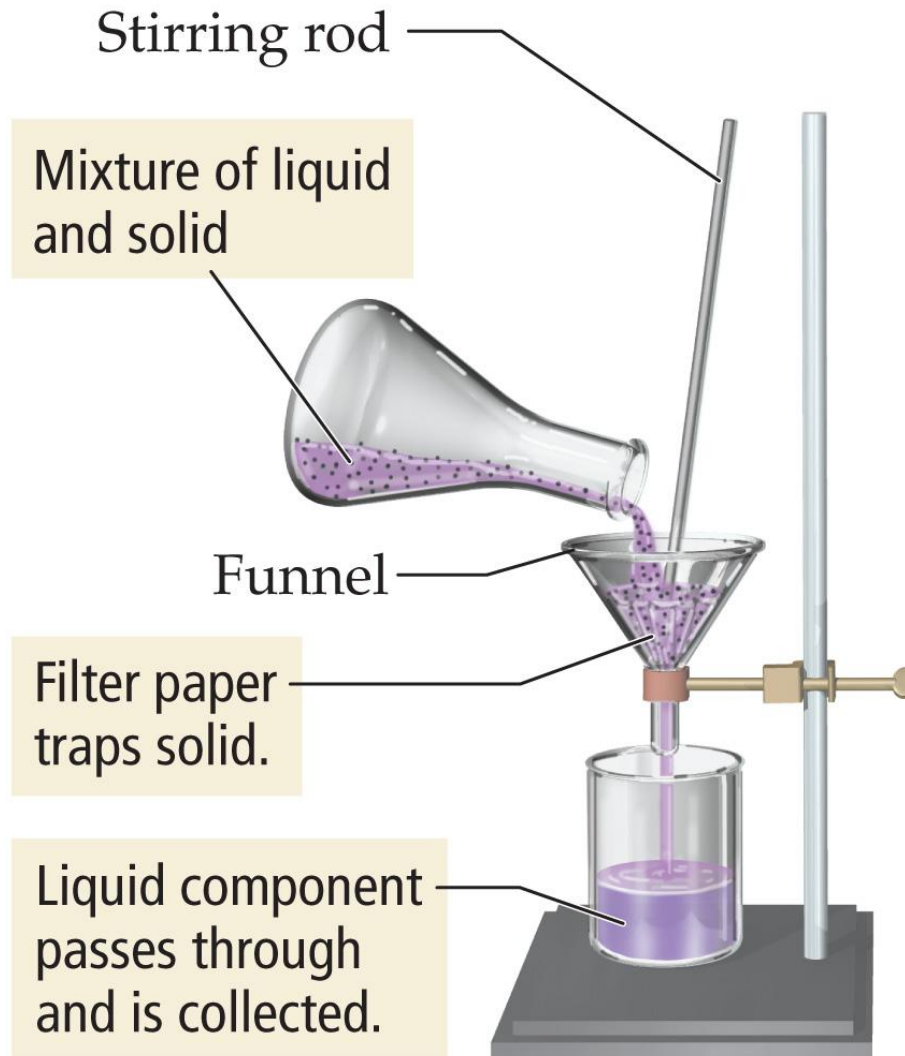
Different Physical Property	Technique
Boiling Point	<u>Distillation</u>
State of Matter (solid/liquid/gas)	<u>Filtration</u>
Adherence to a Surface	<u>Chromatography</u>
Volatility	Evaporation
Density	Centrifugation & Decanting



# Distillation



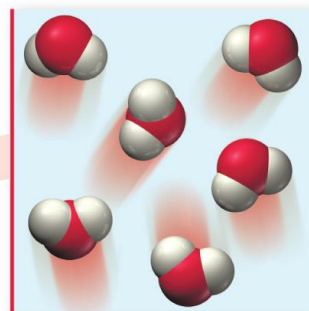
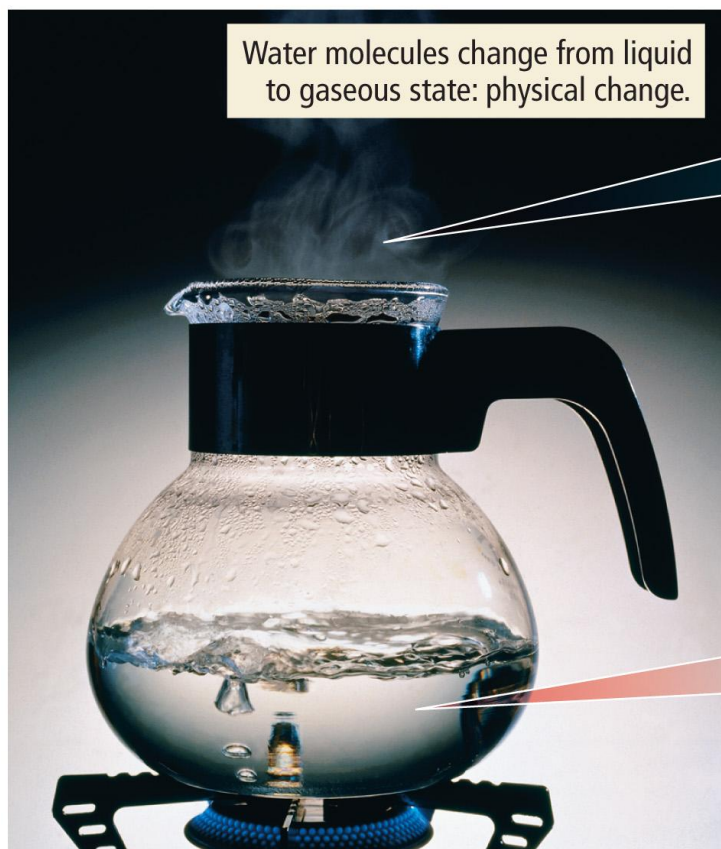
# Filtration



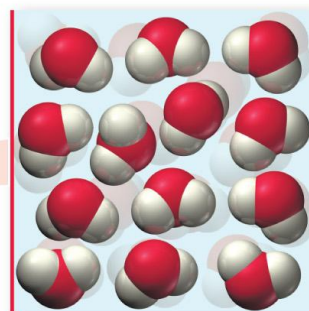
# Changes in Matter

- changes that alter the state or appearance of the matter without altering the composition are called **physical changes**
- changes that alter the composition of the matter are called **chemical changes**
  - ✓ during the chemical change, the atoms that are present rearrange into new molecules, but all of the original atoms are still present

# Physical Changes in Matter



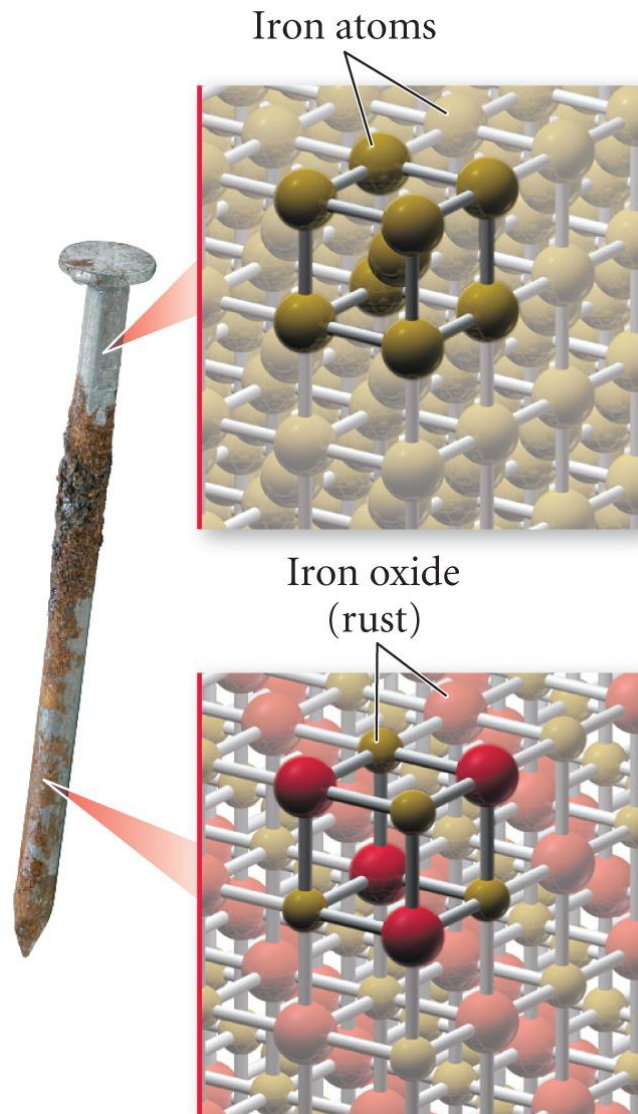
$\text{H}_2\text{O}(g)$



$\text{H}_2\text{O}(l)$

The boiling of water is a physical change. The water molecules are separated from each other, but their structure and composition do not change.

# Chemical Changes in Matter



The rusting of iron is a chemical change. The iron atoms in the nail combine with oxygen atoms from  $O_2$  in the air to make a new substance, rust, with a different composition.

# Properties of Matter

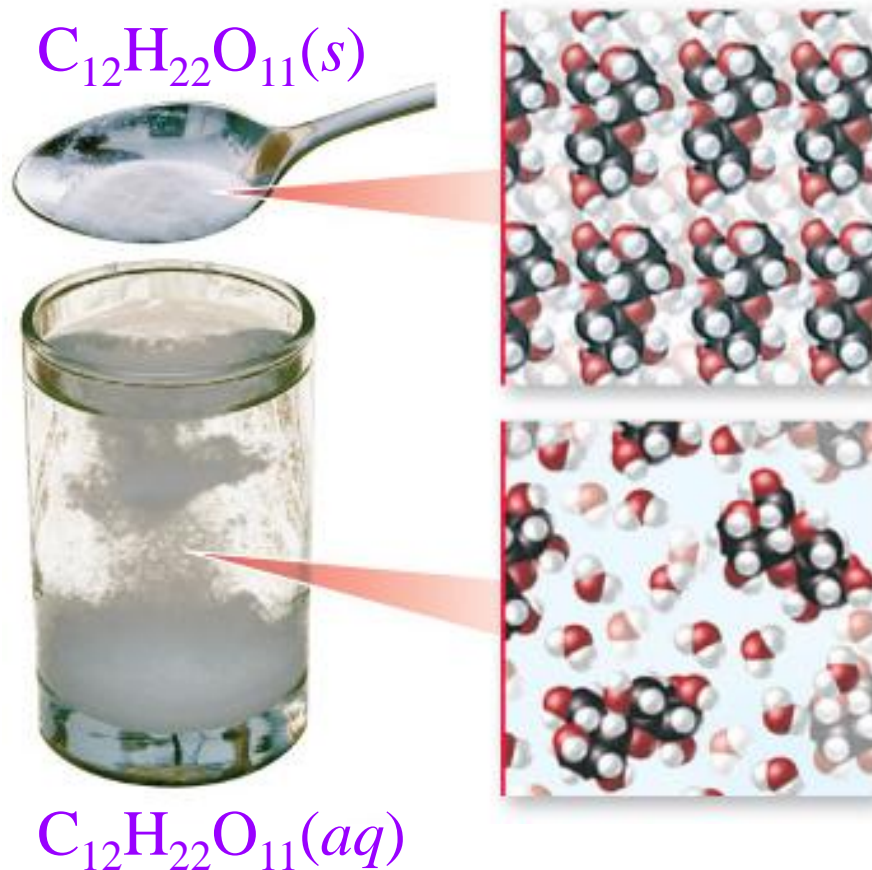
- **physical properties** are the characteristics of matter that can be changed without changing its composition
  - ✓ characteristics that are directly observable
- **chemical properties** are the characteristics that determine how the composition of matter changes as a result of contact with other matter or the influence of energy
  - ✓ characteristics that describe the behavior of matter



# Common Physical Changes

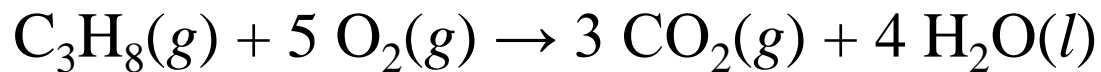
- processes that cause changes in the matter that do not change its composition
- state changes
  - ✓ boiling / condensing
  - ✓ melting / freezing
  - ✓ subliming
- dissolving

## Dissolving of Sugar



# Common Chemical Changes

- processes that cause changes in the matter that change its composition
- rusting
- processes that release lots of energy
- burning





Energy

# Energy Changes in Matter

- changes in matter, both physical and chemical, result in the matter either gaining or releasing energy
- **energy** is the capacity to do work
- work is the action of a force applied across a distance
  - ✓ a force is a push or a pull on an object
  - ✓ electrostatic force is the push or pull on objects that have an electrical charge



# Energy of Matter

- all matter possesses energy
- energy is classified as either kinetic or potential
- energy can be converted from one form to another
- when matter undergoes a chemical or physical change, the amount of energy in the matter changes as well

# Energy of Matter - Kinetic

- **kinetic energy** is energy of motion
  - ✓ motion of the atoms, molecules, and subatomic particles
  - ✓ thermal (heat) energy is a form of kinetic energy because it is caused by molecular motion

# Energy of Matter - Potential

- **potential energy** is energy that is stored in the matter
  - ✓ due to the composition of the matter and its position in the universe
  - ✓ chemical potential energy arises from electrostatic forces between atoms, molecules, and subatomic particles

# Conversion of Energy

- you can interconvert kinetic energy and potential energy
- whatever process you do that converts energy from one type or form to another, the total amount of energy remains the same
  - ✓ **Law of Conservation of Energy**

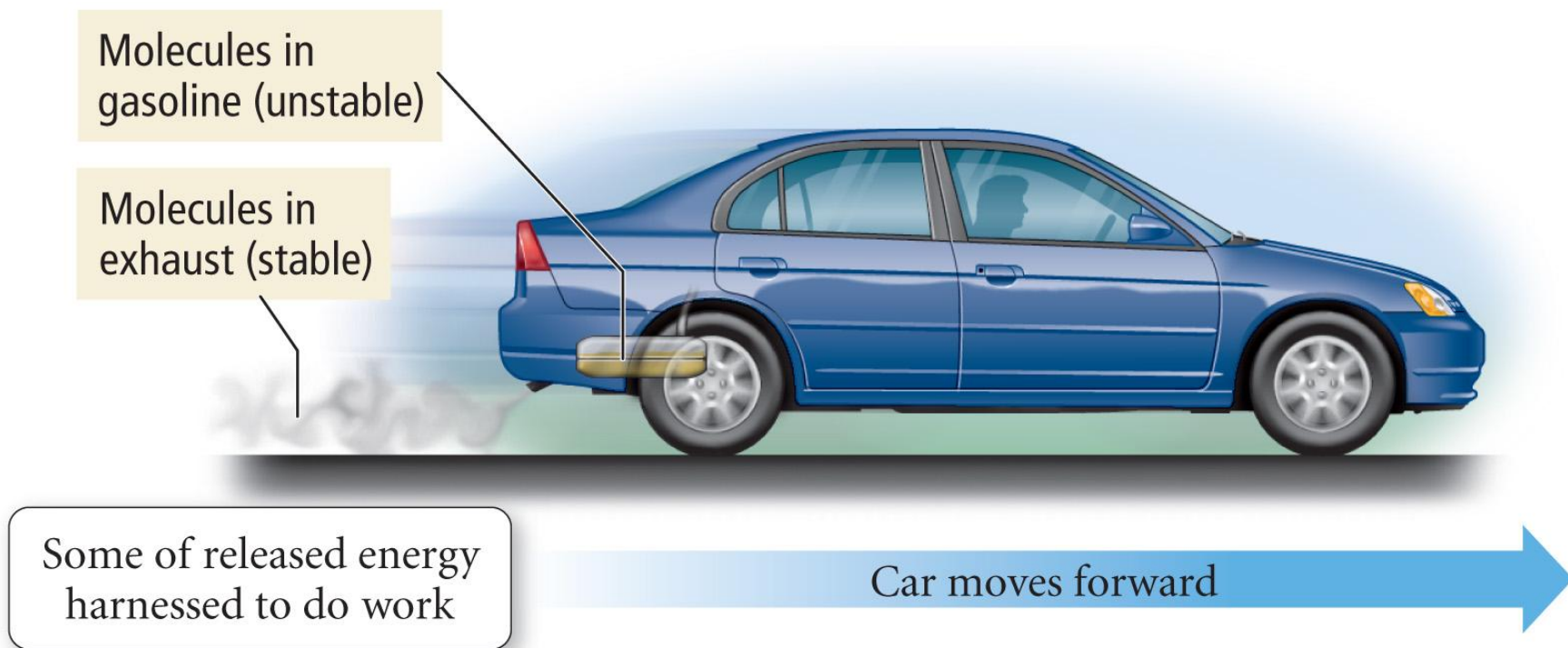
# Spontaneous Processes

- materials that possess high potential energy are less stable
- processes in nature tend to occur on their own when the result is material(s) with lower total potential energy
  - ✓ processes that result in materials with higher total potential energy can occur, but generally will not happen without input of energy from an outside source
- when a process results in materials with less potential energy at the end than there was at the beginning, the difference in energy is released into the environment



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# Potential to Kinetic Energy



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# Standard Units of Measure

# The Standard Units

- Scientists have agreed on a set of international standard units for comparing all our measurements called the SI units
  - ✓ *Système International* = International System

<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Symbol</b>
length	meter	m
mass	kilogram	kg
time	second	s
temperature	kelvin	K

# Length

- Measure of the two-dimensional distance an object covers
  - ✓ often need to measure lengths that are very long (distances between stars) or very short (distances between atoms)
- SI unit = meter
  - ✓ About 3.37 inches longer than a yard
    - 1 meter = one ten-millionth the distance from the North Pole to the Equator = distance between marks on standard metal rod = distance traveled by light in a specific period of time
- Commonly use centimeters (cm)
  - ✓ 1 m = 100 cm
  - ✓ 1 cm = 0.01 m = 10 mm
  - ✓ 1 inch = 2.54 cm (exactly)



Yardstick



Meterstick

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# Mass

- Measure of the amount of matter present in an object
  - ✓ weight measures the gravitational pull on an object, which depends on its mass
- SI unit = kilogram (kg)
  - ✓ about 2 lbs. 3 oz.
- Commonly measure mass in grams (g) or milligrams (mg)
  - ✓ 1 kg = 2.2046 pounds, 1 lbs. = 453.59 g
  - ✓ 1 kg = 1000 g =  $10^3$  g
  - ✓ 1 g = 1000 mg =  $10^3$  mg
  - ✓ 1 g = 0.001 kg =  $10^{-3}$  kg
  - ✓ 1 mg = 0.001 g =  $10^{-3}$  g

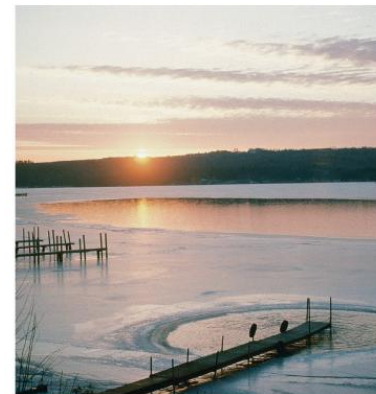


# Time

- measure of the duration of an event
- SI units = second (s)
- 1 s is defined as the period of time it takes for a specific number of radiation events of a specific transition from cesium-133

# Temperature

- measure of the average amount of kinetic energy
  - ✓ higher temperature = larger average kinetic energy
- heat flows from the matter that has high thermal energy into matter that has low thermal energy
  - ✓ until they reach the same temperature
  - ✓ heat is exchanged through molecular collisions between the two materials



0 °C – Water freezes



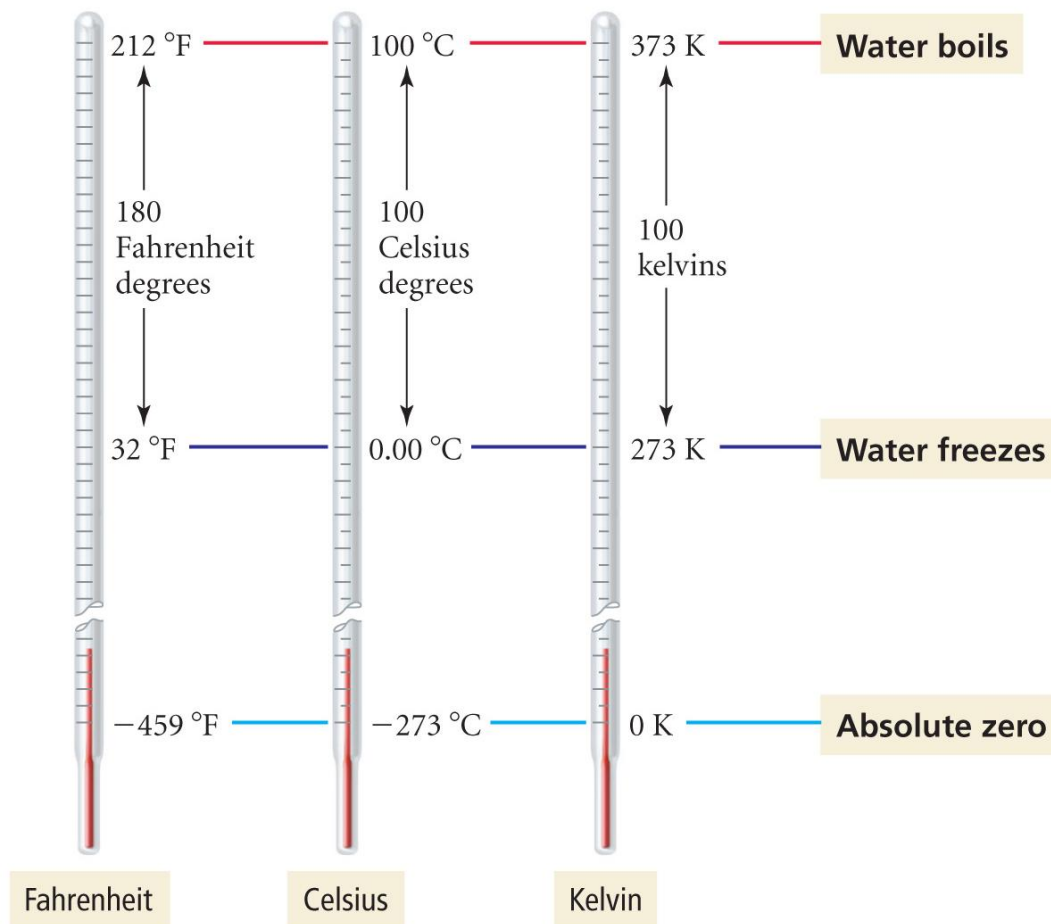
22 °C – Room temperature



40 °C – Summer day in Death Valley

# Temperature Scales

- Fahrenheit Scale,  $^{\circ}\text{F}$ 
  - ✓ used in the U.S.
- Celsius Scale,  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ 
  - ✓ used in all other countries
- Kelvin Scale, K
  - ✓ absolute scale
    - no negative numbers
  - ✓ directly proportional to average amount of kinetic energy
  - ✓ 0 K = absolute zero



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# Fahrenheit vs. Celsius

- a Celsius degree is 1.8 times larger than a Fahrenheit degree
- the standard used for 0° on the Fahrenheit scale is a lower temperature than the standard used for 0° on the Celsius scale

$$^{\circ}\text{C} = \frac{(^{\circ}\text{F} - 32)}{1.8}$$



# Kelvin vs. Celsius

- the size of a “degree” on the Kelvin scale is the same as on the Celsius scale
  - ✓ though technically, we don’t call the divisions on the Kelvin scale degrees; we called them kelvins!
  - ✓ so 1 kelvin is 1.8 times larger than 1°F
- the 0 standard on the Kelvin scale is a much lower temperature than on the Celsius scale

$$K = ^\circ C + 273.15$$

## Example 1.2 Convert 40.00 °C into K and °F

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Find the equation that relates the given quantity to the quantity you want to find</li> </ul>	<p><b>Given:</b> 40.00 °C</p> <p><b>Find:</b> K</p> <p><b>Equation:</b> <math>K = ^\circ\text{C} + 273.15</math></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Since the equation is solved for the quantity you want to find, substitute and compute</li> </ul>	$K = ^\circ\text{C} + 273.15$ $K = 40.00 + 273.15$ $K = 313.15 \text{ K}$
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Find the equation that relates the given quantity to the quantity you want to find</li> </ul>	<p><b>Given:</b> 40.00 °C</p> <p><b>Find:</b> °F</p> <p><b>Equation:</b> <math>^\circ\text{C} = \frac{(^{\circ}\text{F} - 32)}{1.8}</math></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Solve the equation for the quantity you want to find</li> </ul>	$1.8 \times ^\circ\text{C} = (^{\circ}\text{F} - 32)$ $1.8 \times ^\circ\text{C} + 32 = ^\circ\text{F}$
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Substitute and compute</li> </ul>	$1.8 \times 40.00 + 32 = ^\circ\text{F}$ $104.00 ^\circ\text{F} = ^\circ\text{F}$

# Related Units in the SI System

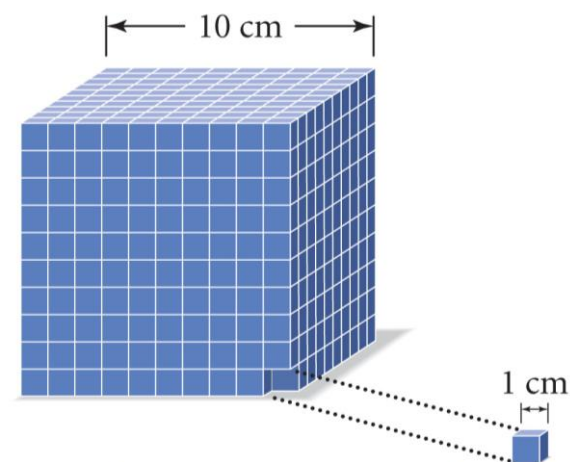
- All units in the SI system are related to the standard unit by a power of 10
- The power of 10 is indicated by a prefix multiplier
- The prefix multipliers are always the same, regardless of the standard unit
- Report measurements with a unit that is close to the size of the quantity being measured

# Common Prefix Multipliers in the SI System

<b>Prefix</b>	<b>Symbol</b>	<b>Decimal Equivalent</b>	<b>Power of 10</b>
mega-	M	1,000,000	Base x $10^6$
kilo-	k	1,000	Base x $10^3$
deci-	d	0.1	Base x $10^{-1}$
centi-	c	0.01	Base x $10^{-2}$
milli-	m	0.001	Base x $10^{-3}$
micro-	$\mu$ or mc	0.000 001	Base x $10^{-6}$
nano-	n	0.000 000 001	Base x $10^{-9}$
pico	p	0.000 000 000 001	Base x $10^{-12}$

# Volume

- Derived unit
  - ✓ any length unit cubed
- Measure of the amount of space occupied
- SI unit = cubic meter ( $\text{m}^3$ )
- Commonly measure solid volume in cubic centimeters ( $\text{cm}^3$ )
  - ✓  $1 \text{ m}^3 = 10^6 \text{ cm}^3$
  - ✓  $1 \text{ cm}^3 = 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3 = 0.000001 \text{ m}^3$
- Commonly measure liquid or gas volume in milliliters (mL)
  - ✓ 1 L is slightly larger than 1 quart
  - ✓  $1 \text{ L} = 1 \text{ dm}^3 = 1000 \text{ mL} = 10^3 \text{ mL}$
  - ✓  $1 \text{ mL} = 0.001 \text{ L} = 10^{-3} \text{ L}$
  - ✓  $1 \text{ mL} = 1 \text{ cm}^3$



A 10-cm cube contains  
1000 1-cm cubes.

# Common Units and Their Equivalents

## Length

1 kilometer (km) = 0.6214 mile (mi)

1 meter (m) = 39.37 inches (in.)

1 meter (m) = 1.094 yards (yd)

1 foot (ft) = 30.48 centimeters (cm)

1 inch (in.) = 2.54 centimeters (cm) exactly

# Common Units and Their Equivalents

## Mass

$$1 \text{ kilogram (kg)} = 2.205 \text{ pounds (lb)}$$

$$1 \text{ pound (lb)} = 453.59 \text{ grams (g)}$$

$$1 \text{ ounce (oz)} = 28.35 \text{ grams (g)}$$

## Volume

$$1 \text{ liter (L)} = 1000 \text{ milliliters (mL)}$$

$$1 \text{ liter (L)} = 1000 \text{ cubic centimeters (cm}^3\text{)}$$

$$1 \text{ liter (L)} = 1.057 \text{ quarts (qt)}$$

$$1 \text{ U.S. gallon (gal)} = 3.785 \text{ liters (L)}$$

Density



# Mass & Volume

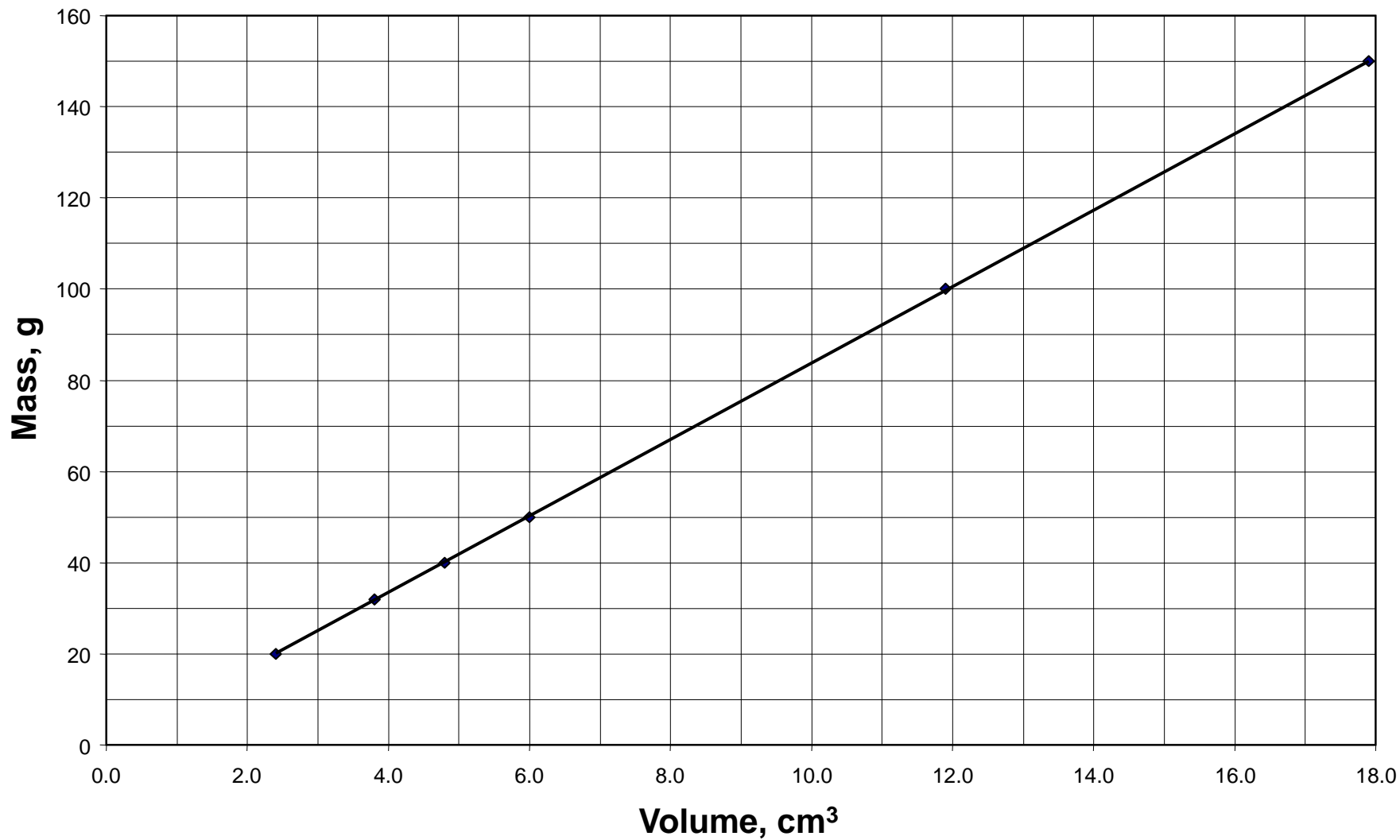
- two main physical properties of matter
- mass and volume are **extensive properties**
  - ✓ the value depends on the quantity of matter
  - ✓ extensive properties cannot be used to identify what *type* of matter something is
    - if you are given a large glass containing 100 g of a clear, colorless liquid and a small glass containing 25 g of a clear, colorless liquid - are both liquids the same stuff?
- even though mass and volume are individual properties, for a given type of matter they are related to each other!

# Mass vs. Volume of Brass

<b>Mass grams</b>	<b>Volume cm<sup>3</sup></b>
20	2.4
32	3.8
40	4.8
50	6.0
100	11.9
150	17.9

# Volume vs. Mass of Brass

$$y = 8.38x$$



# Density

- Ratio of mass:volume is an **intensive property**
  - ✓ value independent of the quantity of matter
- Solids = g/cm<sup>3</sup>
  - ✓ 1 cm<sup>3</sup> = 1 mL
- Liquids = g/mL
- Gases = g/L
- Volume of a solid can be determined by water displacement – Archimedes Principle
- Density : solids > liquids >>> gases
  - ✓ except ice is less dense than liquid water!

$$\text{Density} = \frac{\text{Mass}}{\text{Volume}}$$

$$\text{Density} = \frac{\text{Mass}}{\text{Volume}}$$

# Density

- For equal volumes, denser object has larger mass
- For equal masses, denser object has smaller volume
- Heating an object generally causes it to expand, therefore the density changes with temperature

**TABLE 1.4** The Density of Some Common Substances at 20 °C

Substance	Density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )
Charcoal (from oak)	0.57
Ethanol	0.789
Ice	0.917 (at 0 °C)
Water	1.00 (at 4 °C)
Sugar (sucrose)	1.58
Table salt (sodium chloride)	2.16
Glass	2.6
Aluminum	2.70
Titanium	4.51
Iron	7.86
Copper	8.96
Lead	11.4
Mercury	13.55
Gold	19.3
Platinum	21.4

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Example 1.3 Decide if a ring with a mass of 3.15 g that displaces 0.233 cm<sup>3</sup> of water is platinum

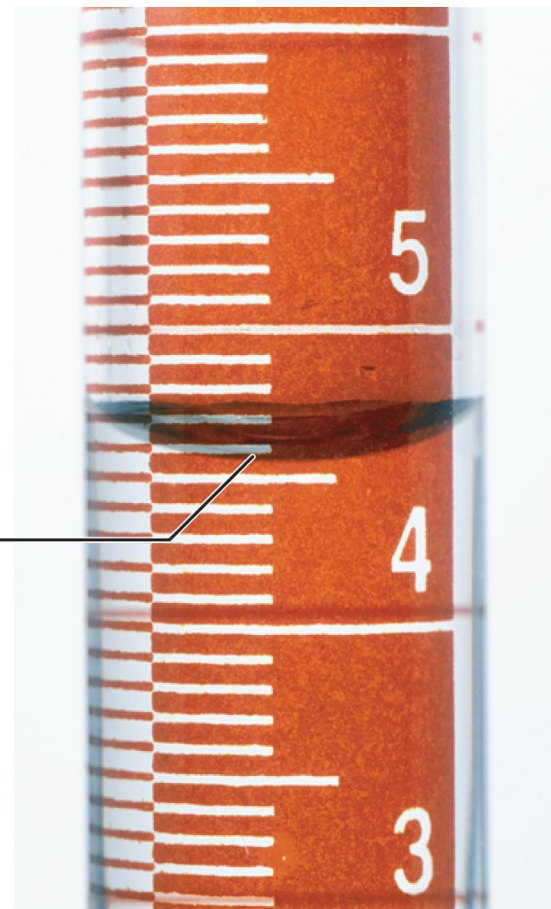
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Find the equation that relates the given quantity to the quantity you want to find</li> </ul>	<p><b>Given:</b></p> <p><b>Find:</b></p> <p><b>Equation:</b></p>	<p>mass = 3.15 g</p> <p>volume = 0.233 cm<sup>3</sup></p> <p>density, g/cm<sup>3</sup></p> $\text{Density} = \frac{\text{Mass}}{\text{Volume}}$
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Since the equation is solved for the quantity you want to find, and the units are correct, substitute and compute</li> </ul>		$d = \frac{m}{V} = \frac{3.15 \text{ g}}{0.233 \text{ cm}^3}$ $d = 13.5 \text{ g/cm}^3$
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compare to accepted value of the intensive property</li> </ul>		<p>Density of platinum = 21.4 g/cm<sup>3</sup></p> <p>therefore not platinum</p>

# Measurement and Significant Figures

# What Is a Measurement?

- quantitative observation
- comparison to an agreed-upon standard
- every measurement has a number and a unit

Meniscus



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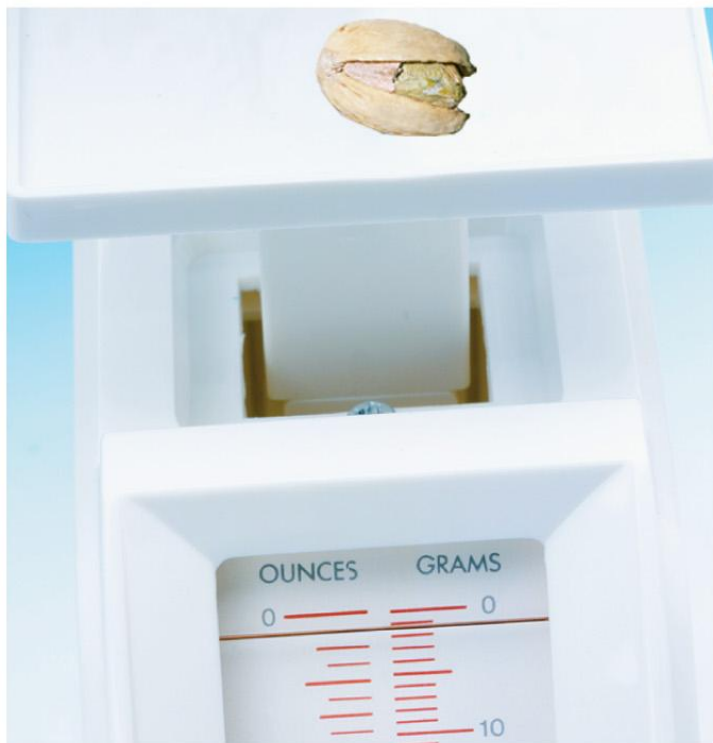
# A Measurement

- the unit tells you what standard you are comparing your object to
- the number tells you
  1. what multiple of the standard the object measures
  2. the uncertainty in the measurement
- scientific measurements are reported so that every digit written is certain, except the last one which is estimated

# Estimating the Last Digit

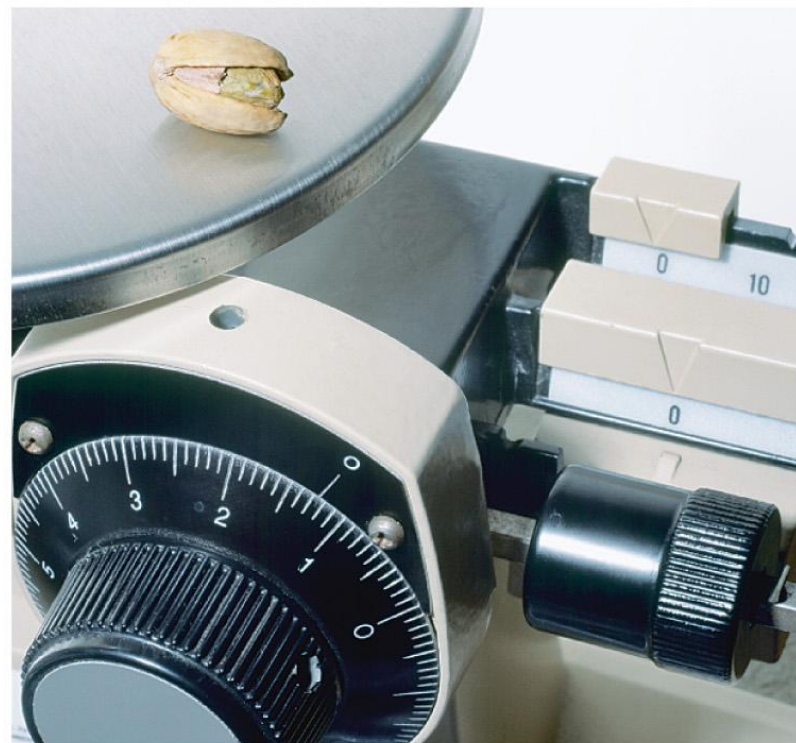
- for instruments marked with a scale, you get the last digit by estimating between the marks
  - ✓ if possible
- mentally divide the space into 10 equal spaces, then estimate how many spaces over the indicator mark is

# Estimation in Weighing



(a)

Markings every 1 g  
Estimated reading 1.2 g



(b)

Markings every 0.1 g  
Estimated reading 1.27 g

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# Significant Figures

- the non-place-holding digits in a reported measurement are called **significant figures**
  - ✓ some zeros in a written number are only there to help you locate the decimal point
- significant figures tell us the range of values to expect for repeated measurements
  - ✓ the more significant figures there are in a measurement, the smaller the range of values is

12.3 cm  
has 3 sig. figs.  
and its range is  
12.2 to 12.4 cm

12.30 cm  
has 4 sig. figs.  
and its range is  
12.29 to 12.31 cm

# Counting Significant Figures

- 1) All non-zero digits are significant
  - ✓ 1.5 has 2 sig. figs.
- 2) Interior zeros are significant
  - ✓ 1.05 has 3 sig. figs.
- 3) Leading zeros are **NOT** significant
  - ✓ 0.001050 has 4 sig. figs.
    - $1.050 \times 10^{-3}$

# Counting Significant Figures

- 4) Trailing zeros may or may not be significant
- 1) Trailing zeros after a decimal point are significant
    - 1.050 has 4 sig. figs.
  - 2) Zeros at the end of a number without a written decimal point are ambiguous and should be avoided by using scientific notation
    - if 150 has 2 sig. figs. then  $1.5 \times 10^2$
    - but if 150 has 3 sig. figs. then  $1.50 \times 10^2$

# Significant Figures and Exact Numbers

- Exact numbers have an unlimited number of significant figures
- A number whose value is known with complete certainty is **exact**
  - ✓ from counting individual objects
  - ✓ from definitions
    - 1 cm is exactly equal to 0.01 m
  - ✓ from integer values in equations
    - in the equation for the radius of a circle, the 2 is exact

$$\text{radius of a circle} = \frac{\text{diameter of a circle}}{2}$$

## Example 1.5 Determining the Number of Significant Figures in a Number

How many significant figures are in each of the following?

0.04450 m	4 sig. figs.; the digits 4 and 5, and the trailing 0
5.0003 km	5 sig. figs.; the digits 5 and 3, and the interior 0's
10 dm = 1 m	infinite number of sig. figs., exact numbers
$1.000 \times 10^5$ s	4 sig. figs.; the digit 1, and the trailing 0's
0.00002 mm	1 sig. figs.; the digit 2, not the leading 0's
10,000 m	Ambiguous, generally assume 1 sig. fig.



# Multiplication and Division with Significant Figures

- when multiplying or dividing measurements with significant figures, the result has the same number of significant figures as the measurement with the fewest number of significant figures

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 5.02 & \times & 89,665 & \times & 0.10 & = & 45.0118 = 45 \\ \text{3 sig. figs.} & & \text{5 sig. figs.} & & \text{2 sig. figs.} & & \text{2 sig. figs.} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 5.892 & \div & 6.10 & = & 0.96590 & = & 0.966 \\ \text{4 sig. figs.} & & \text{3 sig. figs.} & & \text{3 sig. figs.} & & \end{array}$$

# Addition and Subtraction with Significant Figures

- when adding or subtracting measurements with significant figures, the result has the same number of decimal places as the measurement with the fewest number of decimal places

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 5.74 & + & 0.823 & + & 2.651 & = & 9.214 = 9.21 \\ \text{2 dec. pl.} & & \text{3 dec. pl.} & & \text{3 dec. pl.} & & \text{2 dec. pl.} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 4.8 & - & 3.965 & = & 0.835 & = & 0.8 \\ \text{1 dec. pl} & & \text{3 dec. pl.} & & & & \text{1 dec. pl.} \end{array}$$

# Rounding

- when rounding to the correct number of significant figures, if the number after the place of the last significant figure is
  1. 0 to 4, round down
    - ✓ drop all digits after the last sig. fig. and leave the last sig. fig. alone
    - ✓ add insignificant zeros to keep the value if necessary
  2. 5 to 9, round up
    - ✓ drop all digits after the last sig. fig. and increase the last sig. fig. by one
    - ✓ add insignificant zeros to keep the value if necessary
- to avoid accumulating extra error from rounding, round only at the end, keeping track of the last sig. fig. for intermediate calculations

# Rounding

- rounding to 2 significant figures
- 2.34 rounds to 2.3
  - ✓ because the 3 is where the last sig. fig. will be and the number after it is 4 or less
- 2.37 rounds to 2.4
  - ✓ because the 3 is where the last sig. fig. will be and the number after it is 5 or greater
- 2.349865 rounds to 2.3
  - ✓ because the 3 is where the last sig. fig. will be and the number after it is 4 or less

# Rounding

- rounding to 2 significant figures
- 0.0234 rounds to 0.023 or  $2.3 \times 10^{-2}$ 
  - ✓ because the 3 is where the last sig. fig. will be and the number after it is 4 or less
- 0.0237 rounds to 0.024 or  $2.4 \times 10^{-2}$ 
  - ✓ because the 3 is where the last sig. fig. will be and the number after it is 5 or greater
- 0.02349865 rounds to 0.023 or  $2.3 \times 10^{-2}$ 
  - ✓ because the 3 is where the last sig. fig. will be and the number after it is 4 or less

# Rounding

- rounding to 2 significant figures
- 234 rounds to 230 or  $2.3 \times 10^2$ 
  - ✓ because the 3 is where the last sig. fig. will be and the number after it is 4 or less
- 237 rounds to 240 or  $2.4 \times 10^2$ 
  - ✓ because the 3 is where the last sig. fig. will be and the number after it is 5 or greater
- 234.9865 rounds to 230 or  $2.3 \times 10^2$ 
  - ✓ because the 3 is where the last sig. fig. will be and the number after it is 4 or less

# Both Multiplication/Division and Addition/Subtraction with Significant Figures

- when doing different kinds of operations with measurements with significant figures, do whatever is in parentheses first, evaluate the significant figures in the intermediate answer, then do the remaining steps

$$3.489 \times (5.67 - 2.3) =$$

2 dp      1 dp

$$3.489 \times 3.\underline{3}7 = 12$$

4 sf      1 dp & 2 sf      2 sf

Example 1.6 Perform the following calculations to the correct number of significant figures

a)  $1.10 \times 0.5120 \times 4.0015 \div 3.4555$

b)

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.355 \\ +105.1 \\ -100.5820 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

c)  $4.562 \times 3.99870 \div (452.6755 - 452.33)$

d)  $(14.84 \times 0.55) - 8.02$



Example 1.6 Perform the following calculations to the correct number of significant figures

a)  $1.10 \times 0.5120 \times 4.0015 \div 3.4555 = 0.65219 = 0.652$

b)

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.355 \\ + 105.1 \\ - 100.5820 \\ \hline 4.8730 = 4.9 \end{array}$$

c)  $4.562 \times 3.99870 \div (452.6755 - 452.33) = 52.79904 = 53$

d)  $(14.84 \times 0.55) - 8.02 = 0.142 = 0.1$

# Precision and Accuracy

# Uncertainty in Measured Numbers

- uncertainty comes from limitations of the instruments used for comparison, the experimental design, the experimenter, and nature's random behavior
- to understand how reliable a measurement is we need to understand the limitations of the measurement
- **accuracy** is an indication of how close a measurement comes to the **actual** value of the quantity
- **precision** is an indication of how reproducible a measurement is

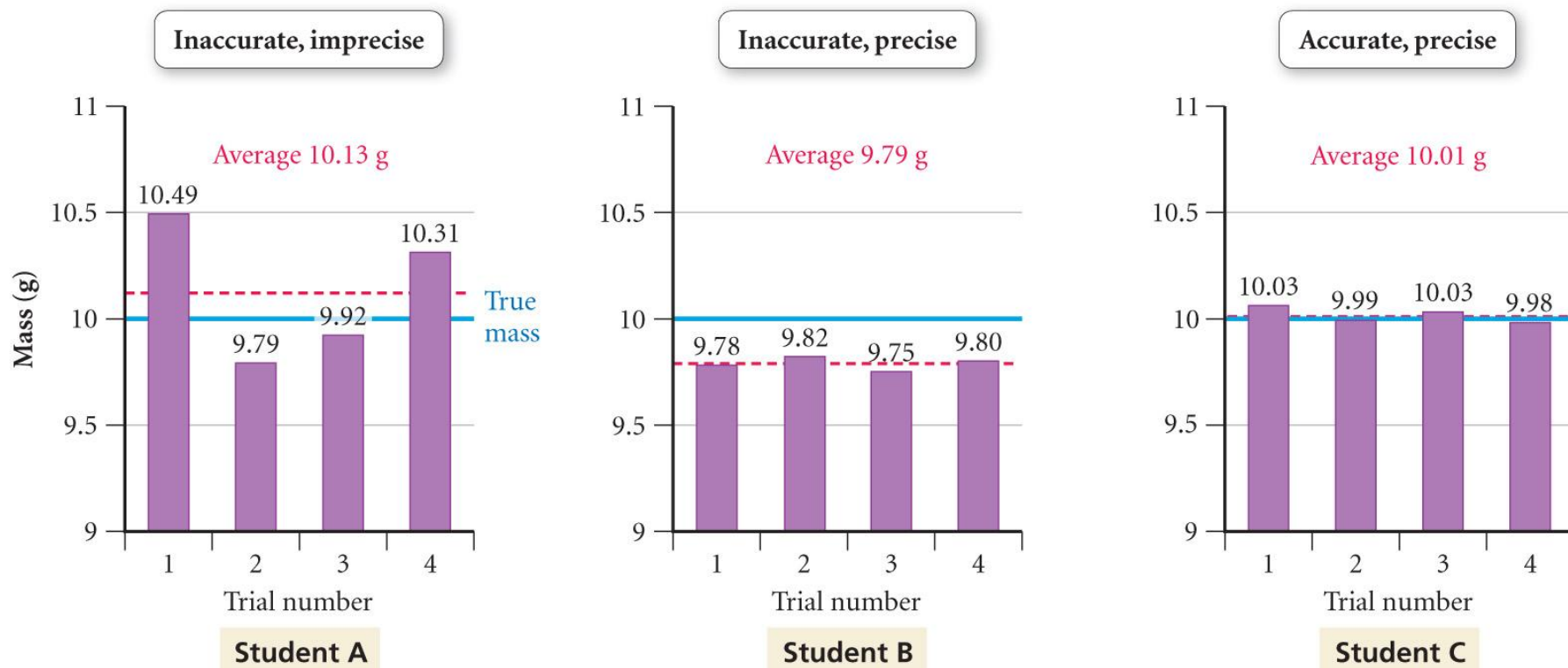
# Precision

- imprecision in measurements is caused by **random errors**
  - ✓ errors that result from random fluctuations
  - ✓ no specific cause, therefore cannot be corrected
- we determine the precision of a set of measurements by evaluating how far they are from the actual value and each other
- even though every measurement has some random error, with enough measurements these errors should average out

# Accuracy

- inaccuracy in measurement caused by **systematic errors**
  - ✓ errors caused by limitations in the instruments or techniques or experimental design
  - ✓ can be reduced by using more accurate instruments, or better technique or experimental design
- we determine the accuracy of a measurement by evaluating how far it is from the actual value
- systematic errors do not average out with repeated measurements because they consistently cause the measurement to be either too high or too low

# Accuracy vs. Precision



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# Solving Chemical Problems

Equations &  
Dimensional Analysis

# Units

- Always write every number with its associated unit
- Always include units in your calculations
  - ✓ you can do the same kind of operations on units as you can with numbers
    - $\text{cm} \times \text{cm} = \text{cm}^2$
    - $\text{cm} + \text{cm} = \text{cm}$
    - $\text{cm} \div \text{cm} = 1$
  - ✓ using units as a guide to problem solving is called *dimensional analysis*



# Problem Solving and Dimensional Analysis

- Many problems in chemistry involve using relationships to convert one unit of measurement to another
- Conversion factors are relationships between two units
  - ✓ May be exact or measured
- Conversion factors generated from equivalence statements
  - ✓ e.g., 1 inch = 2.54 cm can give  $\frac{2.54\text{cm}}{1\text{in}}$  or  $\frac{1\text{in}}{2.54\text{cm}}$

# Problem Solving and Dimensional Analysis

- Arrange conversion factors so given unit cancels
  - ✓ Arrange conversion factor so given unit is on the bottom of the conversion factor
- May string conversion factors
  - ✓ So we do not need to know every relationship, as long as we can find something else the given and desired units are related to

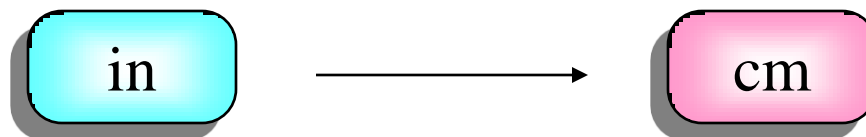
$$\cancel{\text{given unit}} \times \frac{\text{desired unit}}{\cancel{\text{given unit}}} = \text{desired unit}$$

# Conceptual Plan

- a conceptual plan is a visual outline that shows the strategic route required to solve a problem
- for unit conversion, the conceptual plan focuses on units and how to convert one to another
- for problems that require equations, the conceptual plan focuses on solving the equation to find an unknown value

# Concept Plans and Conversion Factors

- Convert inches into centimeters
  - 1) Find relationship equivalence:  $1 \text{ in} = 2.54 \text{ cm}$
  - 2) Write concept plan



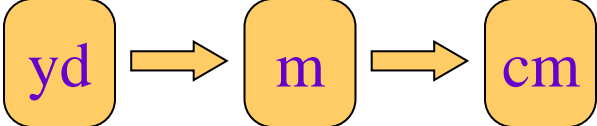
- 3) Change equivalence into conversion factors with starting units on the bottom

$$\frac{2.54 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ in}}$$

# Systematic Approach


- Sort the information from the problem
  - ✓ identify the given quantity and unit, the quantity and unit you want to find, any relationships implied in the problem
- Design a strategy to solve the problem
  - ✓ Concept plan
    - sometimes may want to work backwards
    - each step involves a conversion factor or equation
- Apply the steps in the concept plan
  - ✓ check that units cancel properly
  - ✓ multiply terms across the top and divide by each bottom term
- Check the answer
  - ✓ double check the set-up to ensure the unit at the end is the one you wished to find
  - ✓ check to see that the size of the number is reasonable
    - since centimeters are smaller than inches, converting inches to centimeters should result in a larger number

# Example 1.7 Convert 1.76 yd. to centimeters

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sort information</li> </ul>	<p><b>Given:</b></p> <p><b>Find:</b></p>	<p>1.76 yd length, cm</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strategize</li> </ul>	<p><b>Concept Plan:</b></p> <p><b>Relationships:</b></p>	 <p>1 yd = 1.094 m 1 m = 100 cm</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow the concept plan to <b>solve</b> the problem</li> </ul>	<p><b>Solution:</b></p> $1.76 \cancel{\text{yd}} \times \frac{1 \cancel{\text{m}}}{1.094 \cancel{\text{yd}}} \times \frac{100 \text{ cm}}{1 \cancel{\text{m}}} = 160.8775 \text{ cm}$	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sig. figs. and round</li> </ul>	<p><b>Round:</b></p>	<p>160.8775 cm = 161 cm</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check</li> </ul>	<p><b>Check:</b></p>	<p>Units &amp; magnitude are correct</p>

Practice – Convert 30.0 mL to quarts  
( $1 L = 1.057 qt$ )

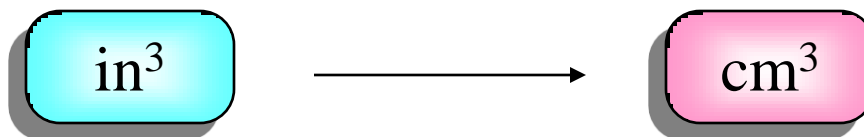
# Convert 30.0 mL to quarts

• Sort information	<b>Given:</b> <b>Find:</b>	30.0 mL volume, qts
• Strategize	<b>Concept Plan:</b>  <b>Relationships:</b>	 1 L = 1.057 qt 1 L = 1000 mL
• Follow the concept plan to <b>solve</b> the problem	<b>Solution:</b>	$30.0 \cancel{\text{ mL}} \times \frac{1 \cancel{\text{ L}}}{1000 \cancel{\text{ mL}}} \times \frac{1.057 \text{ qt}}{1 \cancel{\text{ L}}} = 0.03171 \text{ qt}$
• Sig. figs. and round	<b>Round:</b>	0.03171 qt = 0.0317 qt
• Check	<b>Check:</b>	Units & magnitude are correct



# Concept Plans for Units Raised to Powers

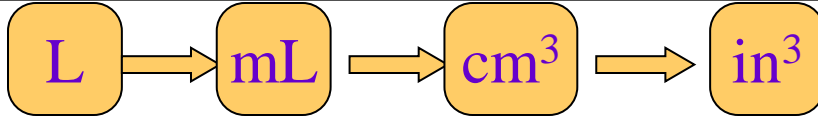
- Convert cubic inches into cubic centimeters
  - 1) Find relationship equivalence:  $1 \text{ in} = 2.54 \text{ cm}$
  - 2) Write concept plan



- 3) Change equivalence into conversion factors with given unit on the bottom

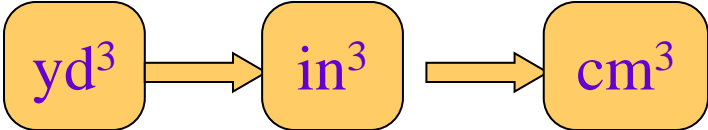
$$\left( \frac{2.54 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ in}} \right)^3 = \frac{2.54^3 \text{ cm}^3}{1^3 \text{ in}^3} = \frac{16.4 \text{ cm}^3}{1 \text{ in}^3}$$

## Example 1.9 Convert 5.70 L to cubic inches

• Sort information	<b>Given:</b> <b>Find:</b>	5.70 L volume, in <sup>3</sup>
• Strategize	<b>Concept Plan:</b>  <b>Relationships:</b>	 <p>1 mL = 1 cm<sup>3</sup>, 1 mL = 10<sup>-3</sup> L 1 cm = 2.54 in</p>
• Follow the concept plan to <b>solve</b> the problem	<b>Solution:</b>	$5.70 \text{ L} \times \frac{1 \text{ mL}}{10^{-3} \text{ L}} \times \frac{1 \text{ cm}^3}{1 \text{ mL}} \times \frac{(1 \text{ in})^3}{(2.54 \text{ cm})^3}$ $= 347.835 \text{ in}^3$
• Sig. figs. and round	<b>Round:</b>	347.835 in <sup>3</sup> = 348 in <sup>3</sup>
• Check	<b>Check:</b>	Units & magnitude are correct

Practice 1.9 How many cubic centimeters are there in  $2.11 \text{ yd}^3$ ?

# Practice 1.9 Convert 2.11 yd<sup>3</sup> to cubic centimeters

• Sort information	<b>Given:</b> <b>Find:</b>	2.11 yd <sup>3</sup> volume, cm <sup>3</sup>
• Strategize	<b>Concept Plan:</b>  <b>Relationships:</b>	 1 yd = 36 in 1 in = 2.54 cm
• Follow the concept plan to <b>solve</b> the problem	<b>Solution:</b>	$2.11 \cancel{\text{yd}^3} \times \frac{(36 \cancel{\text{in}})^3}{(1 \cancel{\text{yd}})^3} \times \frac{(2.54 \text{ cm})^3}{(1 \cancel{\text{in}})^3}$ $= 1613210.75 \text{ cm}^3$
• Sig. figs. and round	<b>Round:</b>	$1613210.75 \text{ cm}^3$ $= 1.61 \times 10^6 \text{ cm}^3$
• Check	<b>Check:</b>	Units & magnitude are correct

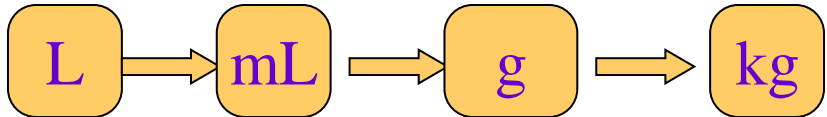
# Density as a Conversion Factor

- **can use density as a conversion factor between mass and volume!!**
  - ✓ density of H<sub>2</sub>O = 1.0 g/mL ∴ 1.0 g H<sub>2</sub>O = 1 mL H<sub>2</sub>O
  - ✓ density of Pb = 11.3 g/cm<sup>3</sup> ∴ 11.3 g Pb = 1 cm<sup>3</sup> Pb

How much does 4.0 cm<sup>3</sup> of lead weigh?

$$4.0 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ Pb} \times \frac{11.3 \text{ g Pb}}{1 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ Pb}} = 45 \text{ g Pb}$$

# Example 1.10 What is the mass in kg of 173,231 L of jet fuel whose density is 0.738 g/mL?

• Sort information	<p><b>Given:</b> 173,231 L density = 0.738 g/mL</p> <p><b>Find:</b> mass, kg</p>
• Strategize	<p><b>Concept Plan:</b> </p> <p><b>Relationships:</b> 1 mL = 0.738 g, 1 mL = 10<sup>-3</sup> L 1 kg = 1000 g</p>
• Follow the concept plan to <b>solve</b> the problem	<p><b>Solution:</b></p> $173,231 \cancel{\text{L}} \times \frac{1 \cancel{\text{mL}}}{10^{-3} \cancel{\text{L}}} \times \frac{0.738 \cancel{\text{g}}}{1 \cancel{\text{mL}}} \times \frac{1 \text{ kg}}{1000 \cancel{\text{g}}}$ $= 1.33 \times 10^5 \text{ kg}$
• Sig. figs. and round	<p><b>Round:</b> 1.33 x 10<sup>5</sup> kg</p>
• Check	<p><b>Check:</b> Units &amp; magnitude are correct</p>

# Order of Magnitude Estimations

- using scientific notation
- focus on the exponent on 10
- if the decimal part of the number is less than 5, just drop it
- if the decimal part of the number is greater than 5, increase the exponent on 10 by 1
- multiply by adding exponents, divide by subtracting exponents

## Estimate the Answer

- Suppose you count  $1.2 \times 10^5$  atoms per second for a year. How many would you count?

$$1 \text{ s} = 1.2 \times 10^5 \approx 10^5 \text{ atoms}$$

$$1 \text{ minute} = 6 \times 10^1 \approx 10^2 \text{ s}$$

$$1 \text{ hour} = 6 \times 10^1 \approx 10^2 \text{ min}$$

$$1 \text{ day} = 24 \approx 10^1 \text{ hr}$$

$$1 \text{ yr} = 365 \approx 10^2 \text{ days}$$

$$1 \text{ yr} \times \frac{10^2 \text{ days}}{1 \text{ yr}} \times \frac{10^1 \text{ hr}}{1 \text{ day}} \times \frac{10^2 \text{ min}}{1 \text{ hr}} \times \frac{10^2 \text{ s}}{1 \text{ min}} \times \frac{10^5 \text{ atoms}}{1 \text{ s}}$$

$$\approx 10^{12} \text{ atoms}$$



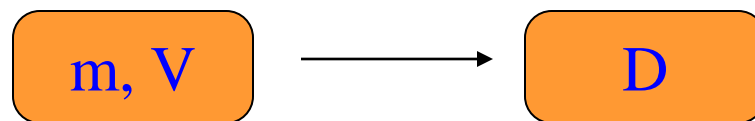
# Problem Solving with Equations

- When solving a problem involves using an equation, the concept plan involves being given all the variables except the one you want to find
- Solve the equation for the variable you wish to find, then substitute and compute

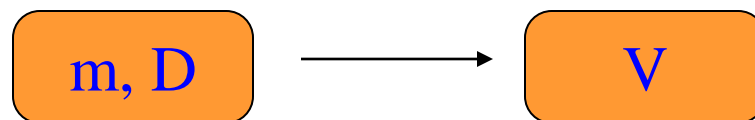
# Using Density in Calculations

Concept Plans:

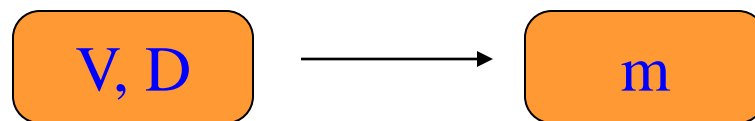
$$\text{Density} = \frac{\text{Mass}}{\text{Volume}}$$




$$\text{Volume} = \frac{\text{Mass}}{\text{Density}}$$



$$\text{Mass} = \text{Density} \times \text{Volume}$$



# Example 1.12 Find the density of a metal cylinder with mass 8.3 g, length 1.94 cm, and radius 0.55 cm

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sort information</li> </ul>	<p><b>Given:</b></p> <p><b>Find:</b></p>	$m = 8.3 \text{ g}$ $l = 1.94 \text{ cm}, r = 0.55 \text{ cm}$ <p>density, <math>\text{g/cm}^3</math></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strategize</li> </ul>	<p><b>Concept Plan:</b></p> <p><b>Relationships:</b></p>	 <p style="text-align: center;"><math>V = \pi r^2 l</math></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><math>d = m/V</math></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow the concept plan to <b>solve</b> the problem</li> <li>Sig. figs. and round</li> </ul>	<p><b>Solution:</b></p>	$V = \pi (0.55 \text{ cm})^2 (1.94 \text{ cm})$ $V = 1.\underline{8}436 \text{ cm}^3$ $d = \frac{8.3 \text{ g}}{1.\underline{8}436 \text{ cm}^3} = 4.50206 \text{ g/cm}^3$ $d = 4.5 \text{ g/cm}^3$
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check</li> </ul>	<p><b>Check:</b></p>	<p>Units &amp; magnitude OK</p>