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## TOPIC 21: KINETIC PARTICLE THEORY



### CHAPTER ANALYSIS



TIME

EXAM

- Straight forward chapter
- 2 key concepts
- 1 **advanced** concepts

- Usually tested in MCQs
  2009 (2), 2010(1), 2011 (2), 2012 (1), 2014 (1), 2016 (1), 2017 (1)
- Structured
  2010 (6 marks)
- Light overall weightage
- Constitute to **2.5%** of marks for past 5 year papers
- Less commonly tested in recent years

#### MUST KNOW

### BASICS

Solid	Liquid	Gas
<ul> <li>Fixed volume</li> <li>Fixed shape</li> <li>Cannot be compressed</li> <li>Does not flow</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fixed volume</li> <li>No fixed shape</li> <li>Cannot be compressed</li> <li>Flows easily</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No fixed volume</li> <li>No fixed shape</li> <li>Can be compressed easily</li> <li>Flows in all direction</li> </ul>

### KINETIC PARTICLE THEORY OF MATTER

The theory states that:

- all matter consist of **particles** that are too small to be directly visible,
- the particles are always in a constant state of random motion at varying speeds.

### **KINETIC PARTICLE THEORY OF MATTER**

Physical Properties	Solid	Liquid	Gas
Particulate model of matter			
Arrangement	Closely packed in an orderly arrangement	Loosely packed in a disorderly arrangement	Far apart & random arrangement
Forces of attraction	Very strong attractive force	Strong attractive force	Weak attractive force
Density	Very high density	High density	Low density
Movement	Vibrate about its fixed position	Particles sliding over one another freely	Move about at high speeds randomly
Energy		Increasing energy	<b>→</b>

### **CHANGE IN STATE**



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### **MELTING (SOLID TO LIQUID)**





- During melting, the particles gain energy from the surroundings and vibrate vigorously about their fixed positions until they have sufficient energy to overcome and break free from the attractive forces.
- The temperature remains constant during the melting process as the heat energy absorbed is used to overcome the forces of attraction.
- A **mixture of solid and liquid** is present during this stage.

The temperature of the matter (solid) is a measure of the average kinetic energy the matter possesses.

### FREEZING (LIQUID TO SOLID)



- At A, the particles have lost enough kinetic energy and freezing starts.
- The particles after losing most of their kinetic energy, no longer have enough energy to overcome the forces of attraction between themselves and would return to their fixed position.
- Between A and B, the freezing process is ongoing. The temperature remains constant because heat energy is being released to the surroundings. The release of heat energy negates the cooling effect resulting in the temperature remaining is constant.
- A mixture of solid and liquid is present during this stage.

### **BOILING (LIQUID TO GAS)**



- At A, sufficient heat energy has been absorbed to reach its boiling point.
- During boiling, the particles have gains the required amount of energy to overcome the forces of attraction between them to move even further apart.
- Between A and B, the boiling process is ongoing. The temperature remains constant as heat energy gained was used to overcome the forces of attraction between particles rather than used to increase the particles' kinetic energy/temperature.
- A mixture of gas and liquid is present at this stage.

### **CONDENSATION (GAS TO LIQUID)**



- At A, the particles lost much of its kinetic energy and condensation starts.
- During condensation, the particles loses most of its energy to that was used to overcome the forces of attraction between themselves resulting in them coming closer together.
- Heat energy is released to the surroundings as particles slow down and become more closely packed. The release of heat energy negates the cooling effect resulting in the temperature remaining constant.
- A mixture of gas and liquid is present during this stage.

### SOLID TO GAS SUBLIMATION DEPOSITION

ADVANCED



### **SUBLIMATION & DEPOSITION**

#### <u>Common Substances</u>

**Iodine** is a dark purple solid at room temperature. When low heat is applied, it undergoes sublimation and becomes a violet gas.

**Dry ice** is frequently used as a cooling agent to keep temperatures low. It is used instead of normal ice as it sublimes to form gaseous carbon dioxide, rather than water.



#### KEY CONCEPT

### GAS/LIQUID PARTICLES DIFFUSION MOVEMENT OF MOLECULES



### DIFFUSION

### Diffusion is the movement of molecules from a region of higher concentration to a region of lower concentration.

During diffusion, gas or liquid particles would move to available spaces in a container through random motion, mixing thoroughly in the process.

<u>Diffusion in liquid</u>



Diffusion in gas



#### KEY CONCEPT

### things to note



*Heavier molecules moves slower. Hence, white precipitate forms nearer to the hydrochloric acid side.* 

#### Higher temperature, faster rate of diffusion

With more kinetic energy, particles vibrate and move quicker at higher temperatures. **The higher the temperature**, the greater the average kinetic energy, hence the the particles move faster.

This leads to **a faster rate of diffusion**.

#### Mass of particles

**The lower the mass** of the particles (M<sub>r</sub>), the **faster the rate of diffusion**.

#### **State of matter**

As the particles in a liquid are packed closer together than in a gas, the same particles has a slower rate of diffusion in a liquid as compared to a gaseous state.

Particles in gaseous state has a faster rate of diffusion than liquid state.

#### **Concentration gradient**

The greater the difference between concentration levels, it leads to a **steeper concentration gradient, which has a faster the rate of diffusion.** 

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