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MODELS: Particulate Nature of Matter

CHAPTER ANALYSIS



5 KEY CONCEPTS

- Show an awareness that according to the Particulate Nature of Matter, matter is made up of small discrete particles which are in constant and random motion
- Show an understanding of the simple model of solids, liquids, and gases, in terms of arrangement and movement of particles
- Use models to explain melting and boiling in terms of conversion of the three states of matter
- Use models to explain expansion and contraction, and the conservation of mass during these processes
- Compare the properties of solids, liquids, and gases in terms of arrangement and movement of particles

KEY CONCEPT

MATTER



PARTICULATE THEORY OF MATTER

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The particles are very **small, invisible**, and cannot be seen without a microscope

There are **spaces** between particles in matter
(These spaces are different in solids, liquids, and gases)

The particles of matter **move**.
(Particles move at different speeds in solids, liquids, and gases)

The particles are in **constant and random motion**.

Solid



- Particles are **close together**
- Particles are arranged in a **fixed, regular pattern**
- Particles cannot move freely but **constantly vibrate in their fixed position**

Liquid



- Particles are **close together but further apart compared to those in solids**
- Particles are **not arranged in a fixed, regular pattern**
- Particles **constantly move over short distances and slide across each other**

Gas



- Particles are **far apart**
- Particles occupy **all the space of the container**
- Particles constantly **move freely and randomly in all directions**

PROPERTIES OF MATTER

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Solids	Liquids	Gases
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a definite shape • Have a definite volume • Cannot be compressed • Do not flow 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have no definite shape • Have a definite volume • Cannot be compressed • Flow and take the shape of the container 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have no definite shape • Have no definite volume • Can be compressed • Flow and spread in all directions to fill the container

SOLIDS

- **Definite shape, cannot flow:** particles cannot move freely and can only vibrate about fixed positions
- **Definite volume, cannot be compressed:** particles packed closely together and held in fixed positions

LIQUIDS

- **No definite shape, can flow:** particles are not in fixed positions and can slide over one another
- **Definite volume and cannot be compressed:** particles packed closely together (although not as close as those in solids)

GASES

- **No definite shape, can flow:** particles are far apart and move freely and randomly in all directions
- **No definite volume and can be compressed:** particles are far apart with lots of empty space in between

CHANGES OF STATE

When cooled, particles **lose energy and move slower and closer to one another.**

Hence, the volume **decreases.**

Cooled



Particles

Heated



When heated, particles **gain energy and move faster and further away from each other.**

Hence, the volume **increases.**

During expansion and contraction, only the distance between particles change. The **size and mass of particles do not change.**

CHANGES OF STATE

Solid (Ice)

- Particles close together and only vibrate in their fixed positions



Liquid (water)

- Particles are further apart and can move about over short distances



Gas (steam)

- Particles are far apart and move very fast and randomly

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