







Preface

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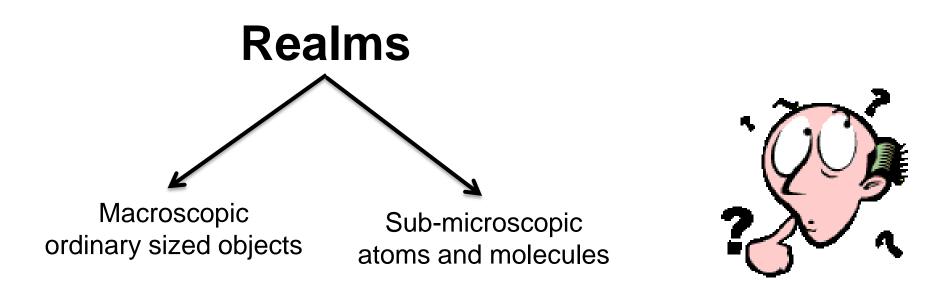
What is Chemistry?

Chemistry is the study of the properties and behavior of matter.





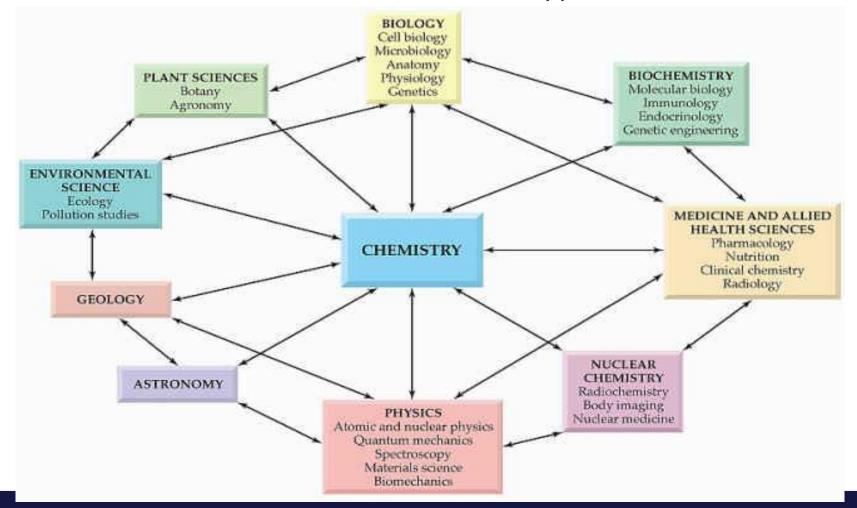
Why Study Chemistry?



Chemistry is the science that seeks to understand the properties and behavior of matter by studying the properties of atoms and molecules. Chemistry provides important understanding of our world and how it works.

Chemistry = the central science

Chemistry is often called **the central science** because of its role in connecting the other sciences, with the life and applied sciences.

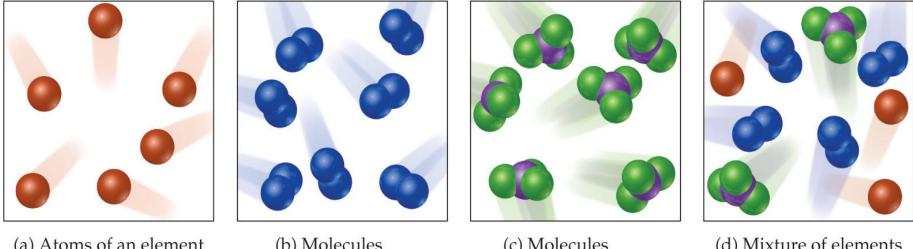




Is the physical material of the universe

We define matter as anything that has mass and takes up space.

Classification of matter according to its composition

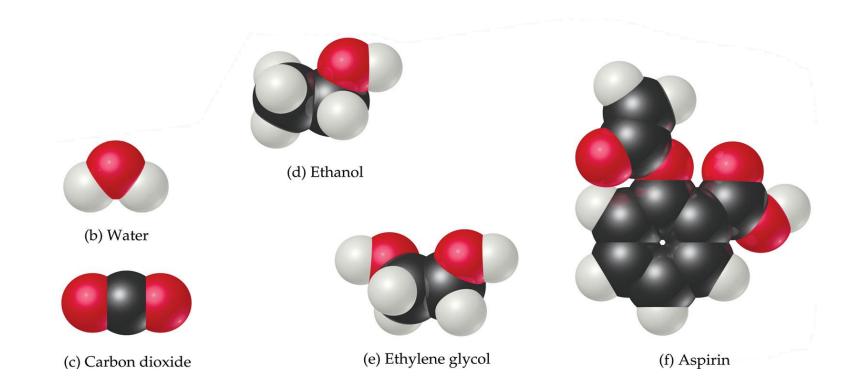


(a) Atoms of an element

(b) Molecules of an element

(c) Molecules of a compound

(d) Mixture of elements and a compound



Atoms are the building blocks of matter. Each element is made of the same kind of atom. A compound is made of two or more different kinds of elements.

Classification of matter according to its physical state

Liquid

Gas has no fixed volume or shape, it conforms to the volume and shape of its containers, It can be compressed or expand

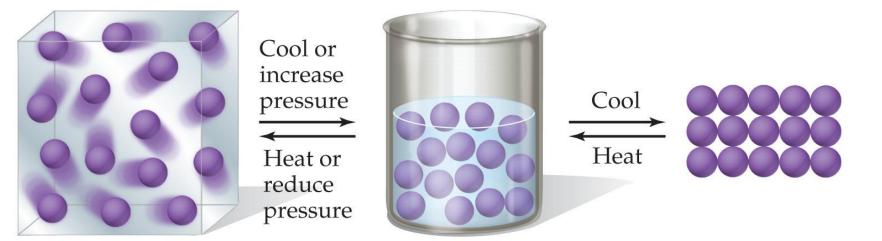
Gas

Liquid has distinct volume but has no specific shape

Solid has both definite shape and volume

Solid

States of Matter



Gas

Total disorder; much empty space; particles have complete freedom of motion; particles far apart

Liquid

Disorder; particles or clusters of particles are free to move relative to each other; particles close together

Crystalline solid

Ordered arrangement; particles are essentially in fixed positions; particles close together



The scientific method is simply a systematic approach to solving problems.

