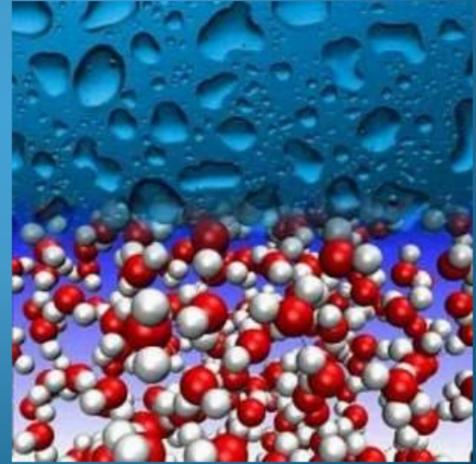
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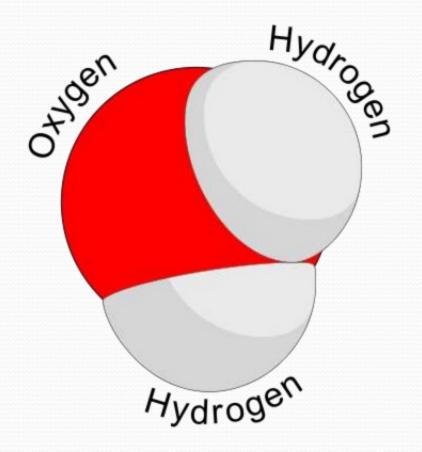
chemical and physical features of seawater and the world ocean

# The Unique Nature of Pure Water



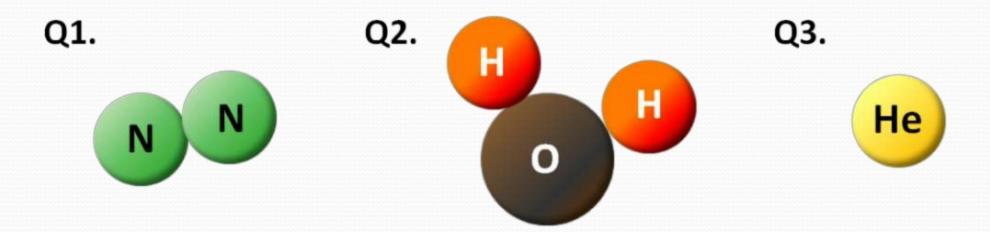
#### The nature of water

- Atom: The basic unit of matter
- The smallest unit into which an element can be divided and still retain its properties



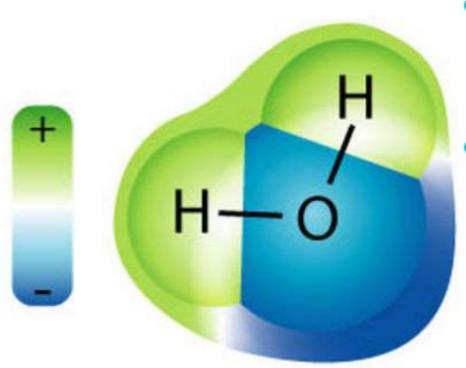
## The nature of water

<u>Element</u>: A substance composed entirely of one type of atom

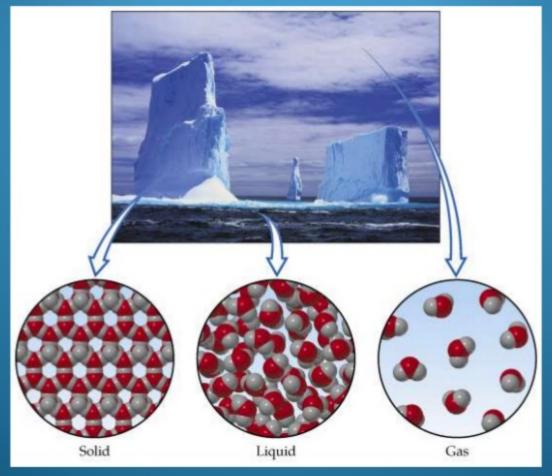


 Molecule: Larger particle composed of two or more atoms chemically bonded together

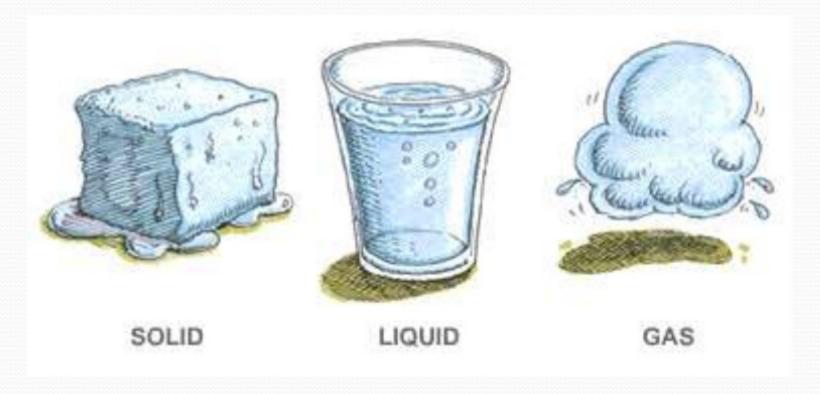
# The nature of water



- Hydrogen bonds: Weak bonds between polar molecules
- polar molecule: a molecule with uneven distribution of charge
  - The reason for water's unique properties



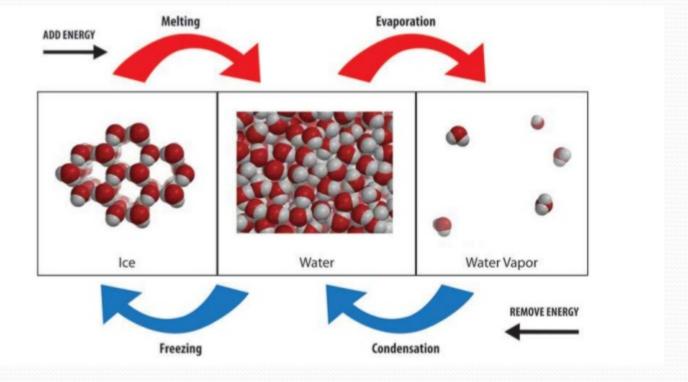
- Liquid, Gas/Vapor, and Solid/Crystalline
- Water is the only substance that naturally occurs in all three forms



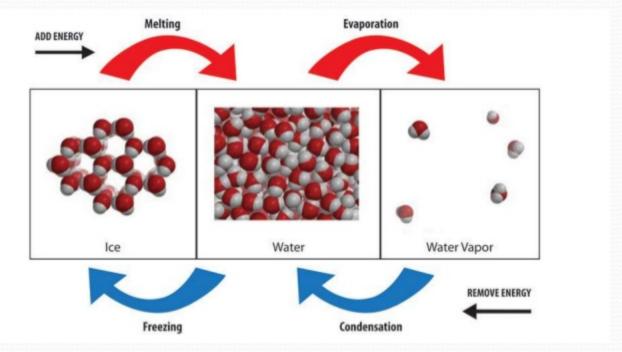
Liquid -> Gas/Vapor

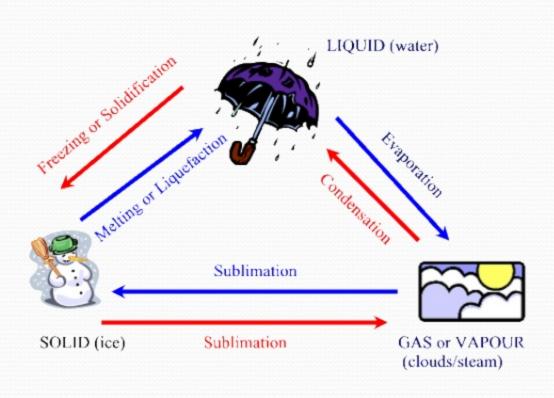
 <u>Evaporation</u>: The breaking of hydrogen bonds allows water to change from the liquid phase into the gaseous

phase

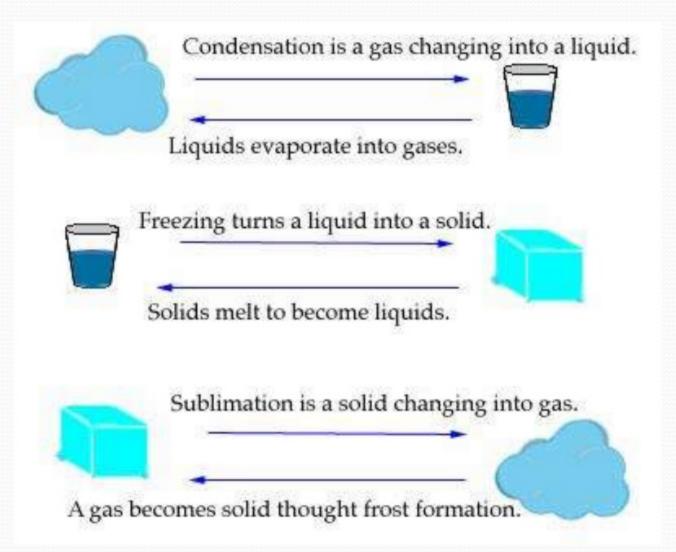


- Gas/Vapor -> Liquid
- <u>Condensation</u>: The formation of hydrogen bonds allows water molecules to come together and change from a gaseous phase to a liquid phase

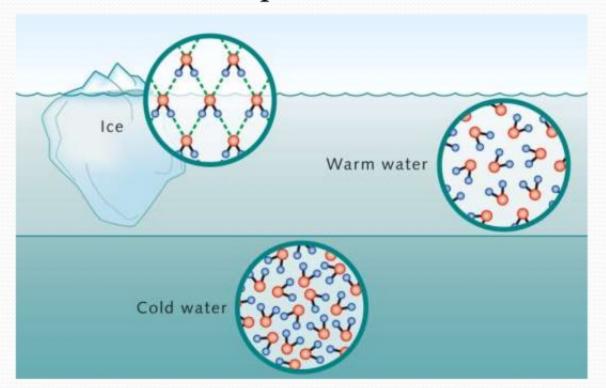




- Solid -> Gas/Vapor
- Sublimation: The direct change in phase from a solid to a gas without a change in phase to a liquid in between



- Density = Mass/Volume
- Water is the only known substance that is less dense as a solid than it is as a liquid

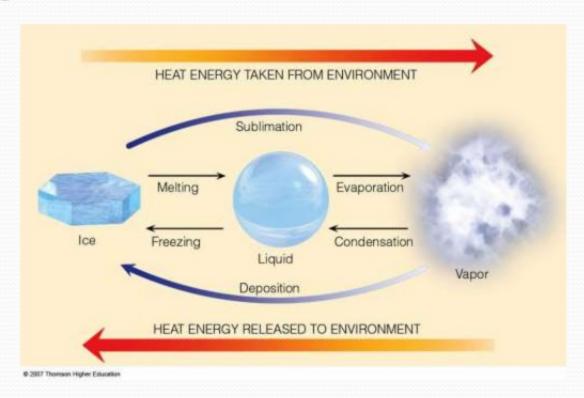




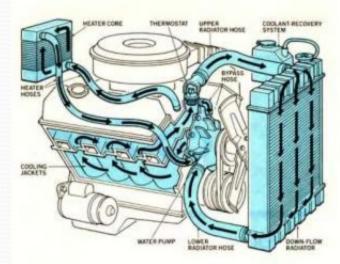
Latent heat of melting:

The amount of heat required to melt a substance

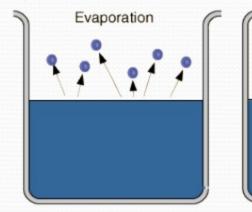
- highest among common substances
- due to hydrogen bonding

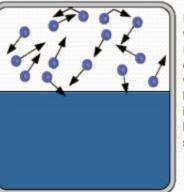


- Heat capacity: The amount of heat needed to raise a substance's temperature by a given amount
  - reflects how much heat a substance can store
  - water can absorb large amounts of heat without altering much
- why water is used a common coolant
  - ex. car engines



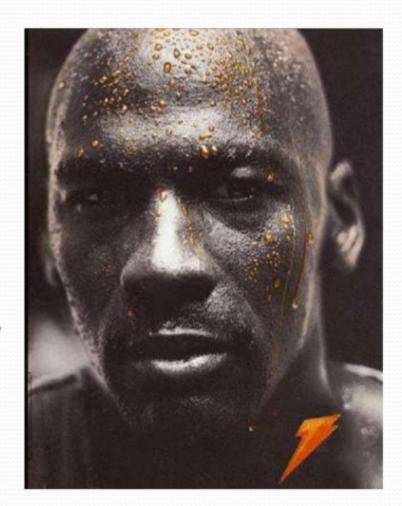
- <u>Latent heat of evaporation</u>: the amount of heat energy that is needed to evaporate a substance
  - water has a high latent heat of evaporation
  - also due to hydrogen bonding
- Only fastest moving bonds are broken, allowing those molecules with more energy to evaporate
  - lower energy molecules are left behind





Evaporation which has reached equilibrium with the liquid surface is said to have reached saturation.

- Evaporative cooling: the lower speed and therefore lower temperature of molecules remaining in the liquid phase after evaporation of the fastest molecules
  - how evaporating sweat cools our skin

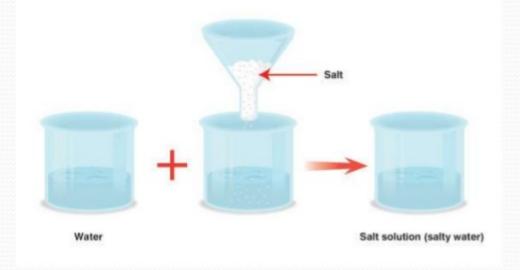


# Water as a Solvent

Hydration shells Water as Salt a Solvent crystal

#### Water as a Solvent

- Seawater is a <u>solution</u>: A mixture consisting of two parts a solvent and a solute which is evenly dissolved throughout the mixture
- The <u>solute</u> is the substance being dissolved
- The <u>solvent</u> is the substance that causes the dissolving



# Water as a Solvent



- Often considered the "Universal solvent"
- can dissolve more things than any other natural substance