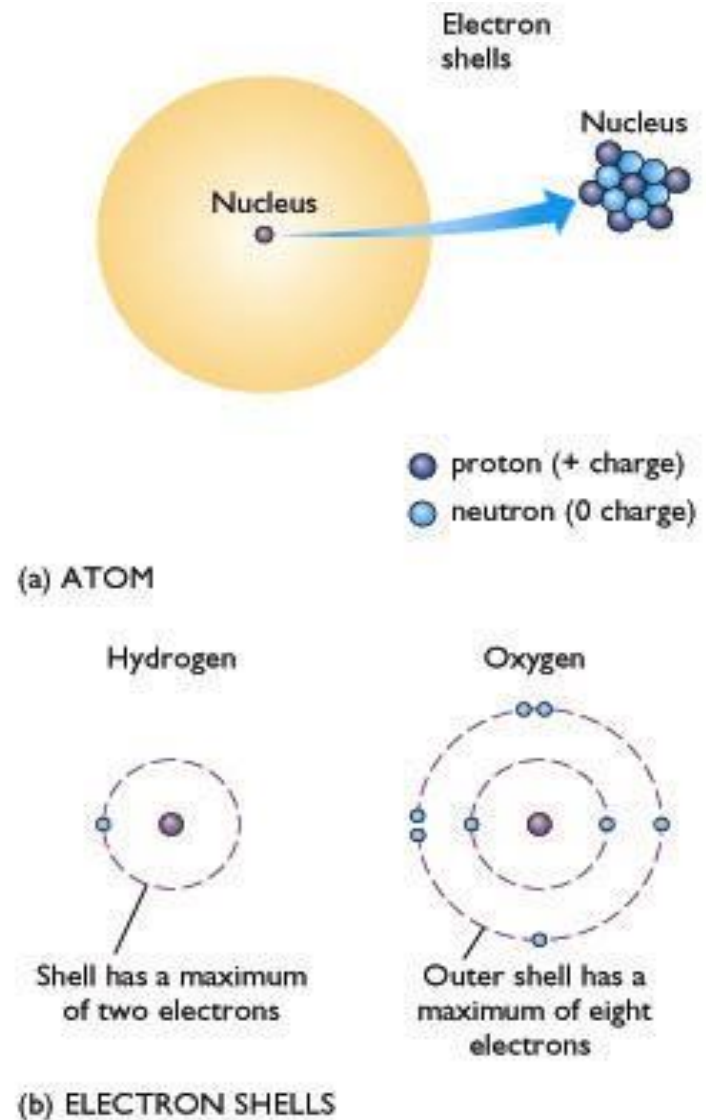




Atoms are the smallest unit which display all of the properties of the material.

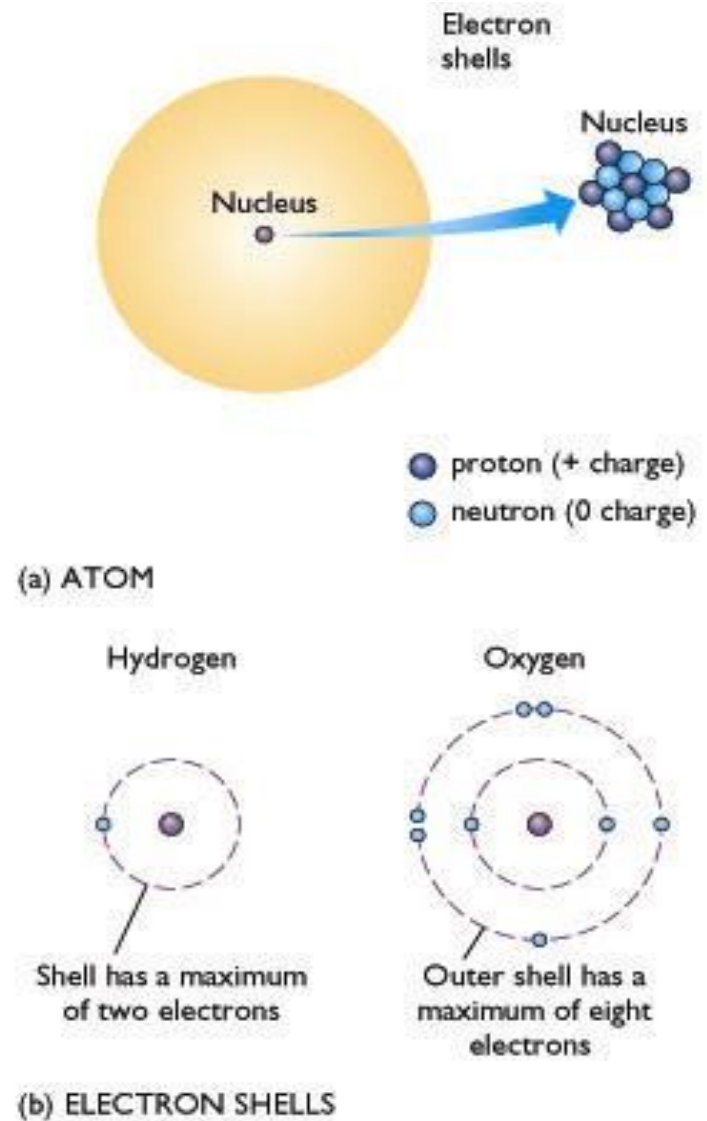
- **Atoms are composed of:**

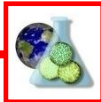
- *Nucleus - the center of the atom consisting of positively charged particles called protons and neutrally charged particles called neutrons.*
- *Electrons - negatively charged particles which orbit the nucleus in discrete electron shells.*





- Electrically stable atoms have the same number of electrons as protons.
- Ions are atoms with either more or fewer electrons than protons and are therefore electrically charged.
- Isotopes are atoms containing the same number of protons, but different numbers of neutrons and therefore have different atomic weights.
- Molecules are chemically-combined compounds formed by two or more atoms.

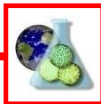




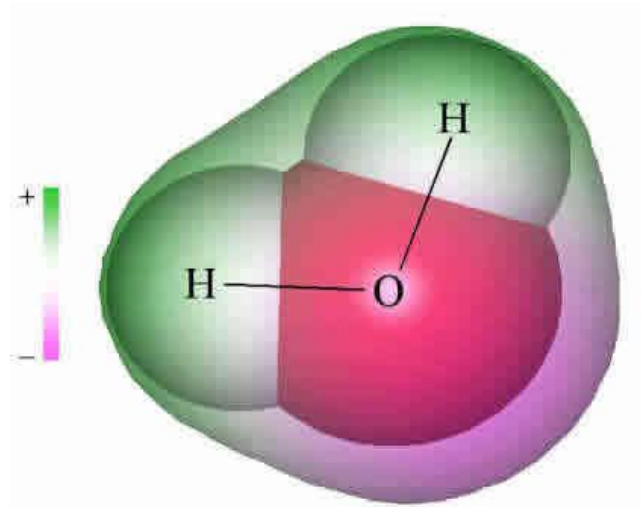
Basic Physical Notions

Heat results from the vibrations of atoms (kinetic energy) and can be measured with a thermometer.

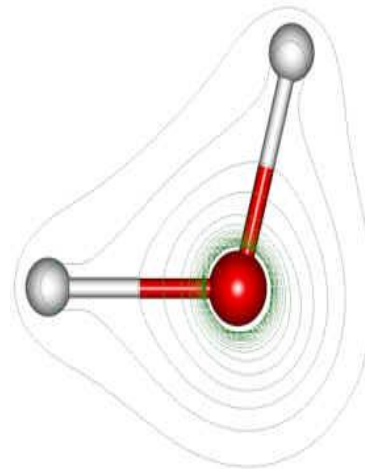
- In solids, the atoms or molecules vibrate weakly and are rigidly held in place.
- In liquids, the atoms or molecules vibrate more rapidly, move farther apart and are free to move relative to each other.
- In gases, the atoms or molecules are highly energetic, move far apart and are largely independent.



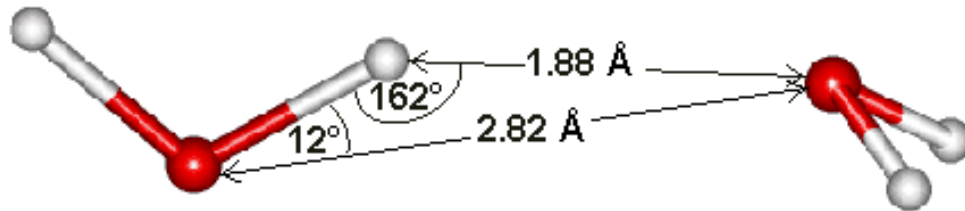
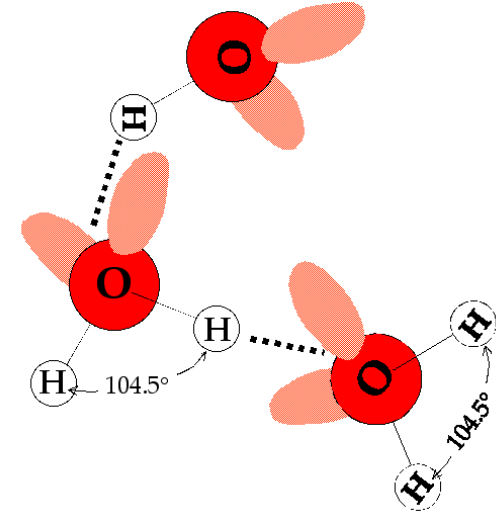
The Water in Seawater



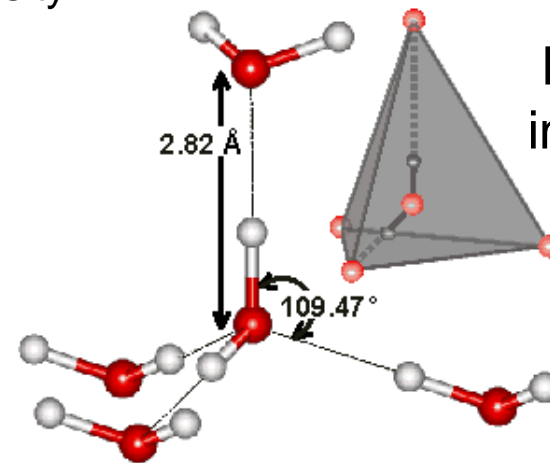
Shape and Charge Distribution
(Small H-atom; electronegative O-atom)



Electron Density



Hydrogen bond:
10-30 times weaker than covalent bonds
(O-H covalent bond length $\sim 1\text{\AA}$)
H-bond length varies strongly with T,P



Bond angle
in e.g. liquid;
solid

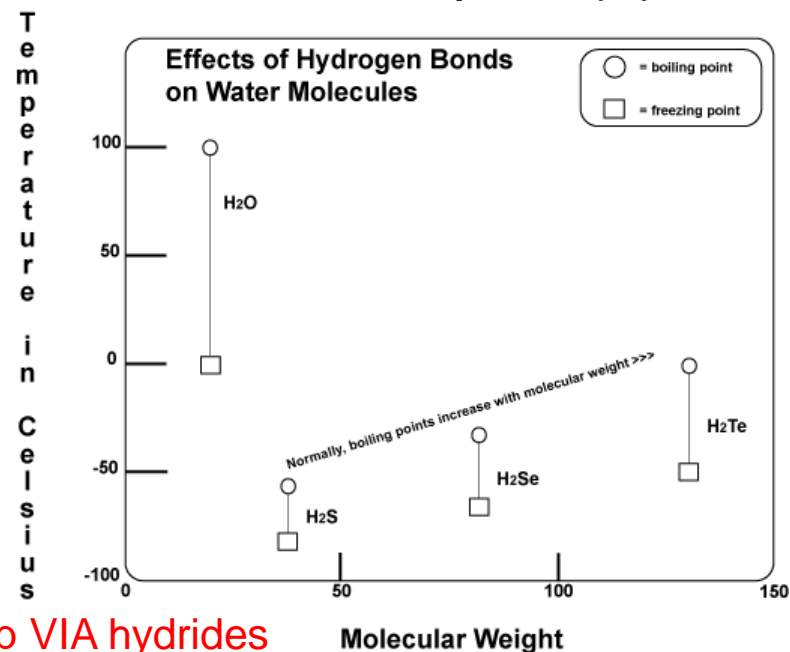
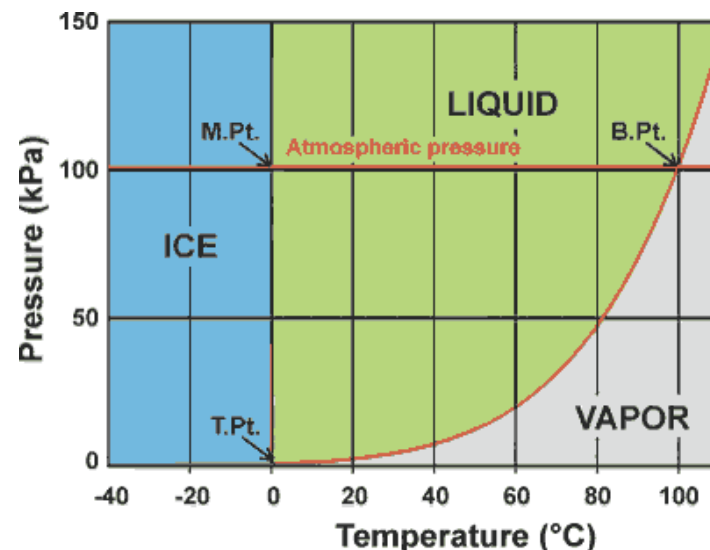
Each molecule can form UP TO 4 H-bonds;
(2 lone electron pairs; 2 H-atoms)



Some Properties of Water

The importance of hydrogen bonding

- Unusually high melting point (low entropy of liquid water / high organization)
- Unusually high boiling point (high cohesion between molecules; lower vapour pressure)
- Very high enthalpies of fusion and vaporization (highest heat of vaporization of any liquid)
- Very high polarity (readily dissolves ionic salts) → water is a very good solvent!
- Very high surface tension and high viscosity
- Very high specific heat (33 times that of mercury!) as H bonds need to be broken up during heating in addition to increasing vibration
- Shrinks on melting (expands on freezing)

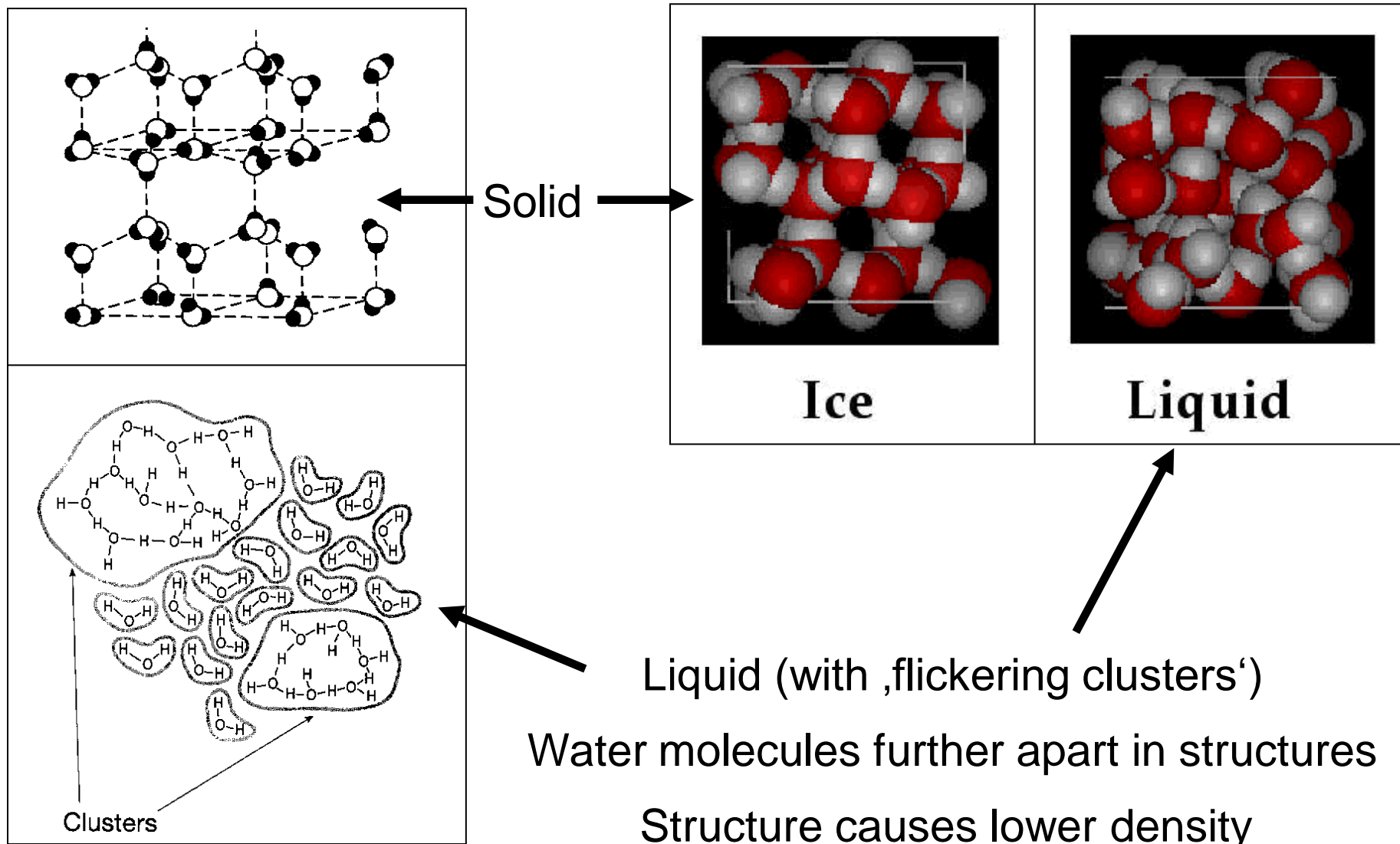


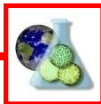
Group VIA hydrides

Molecular Weight

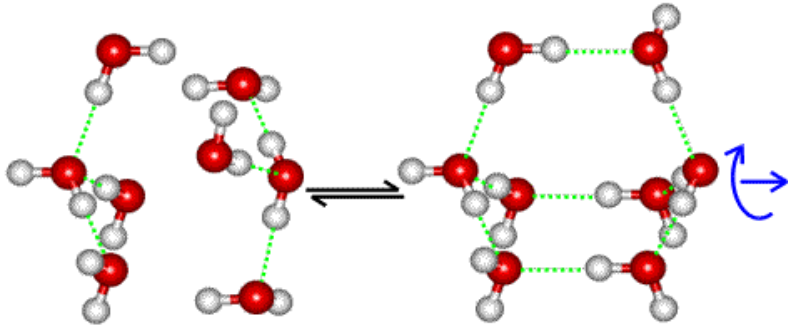


Water has 'structure'





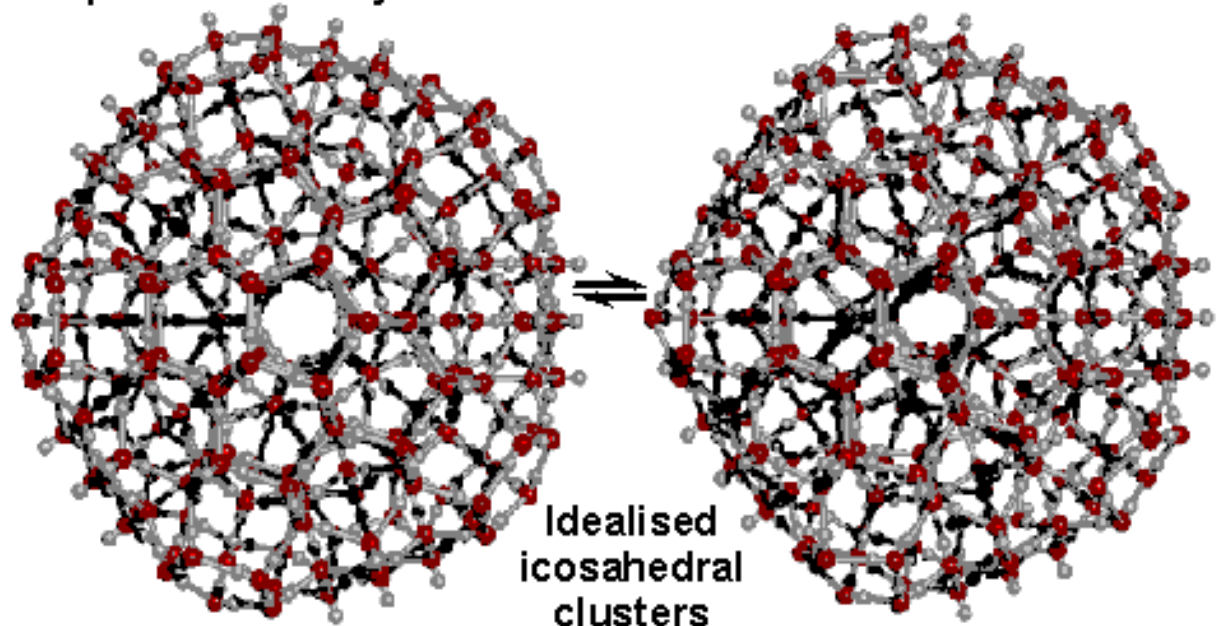
Tetramers associate to form bicyclo-octamers



These can cluster further with themselves to form highly symmetric larger clusters

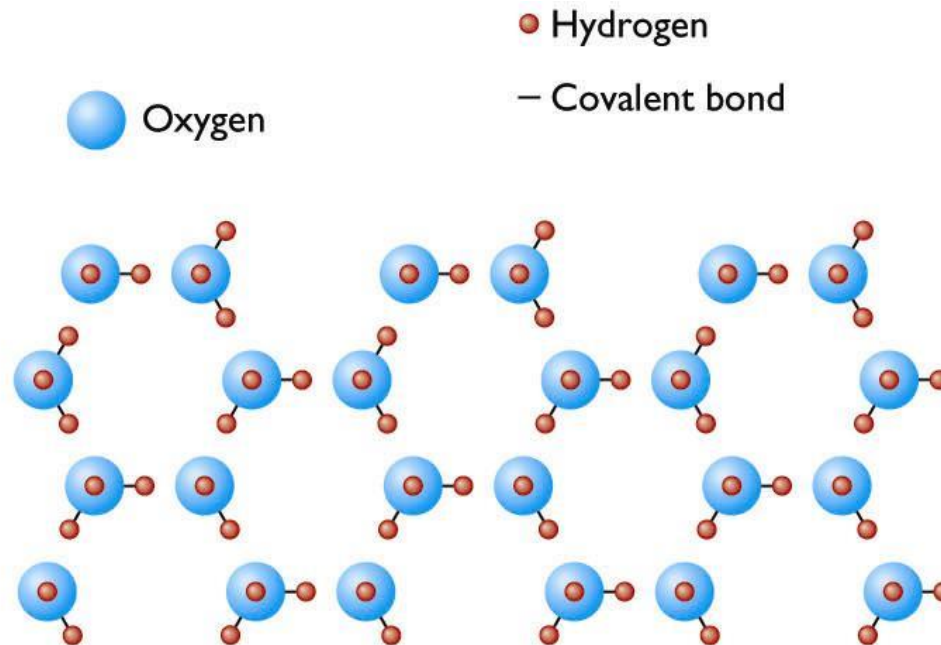
Open low density structure

Condensed structure





- **Ice floats in water because all of the molecules in ice are held in hexagons and the center of the hexagon is open space, making ice 8% less dense than water.**



Hexagonal Crystal Structure of Ice

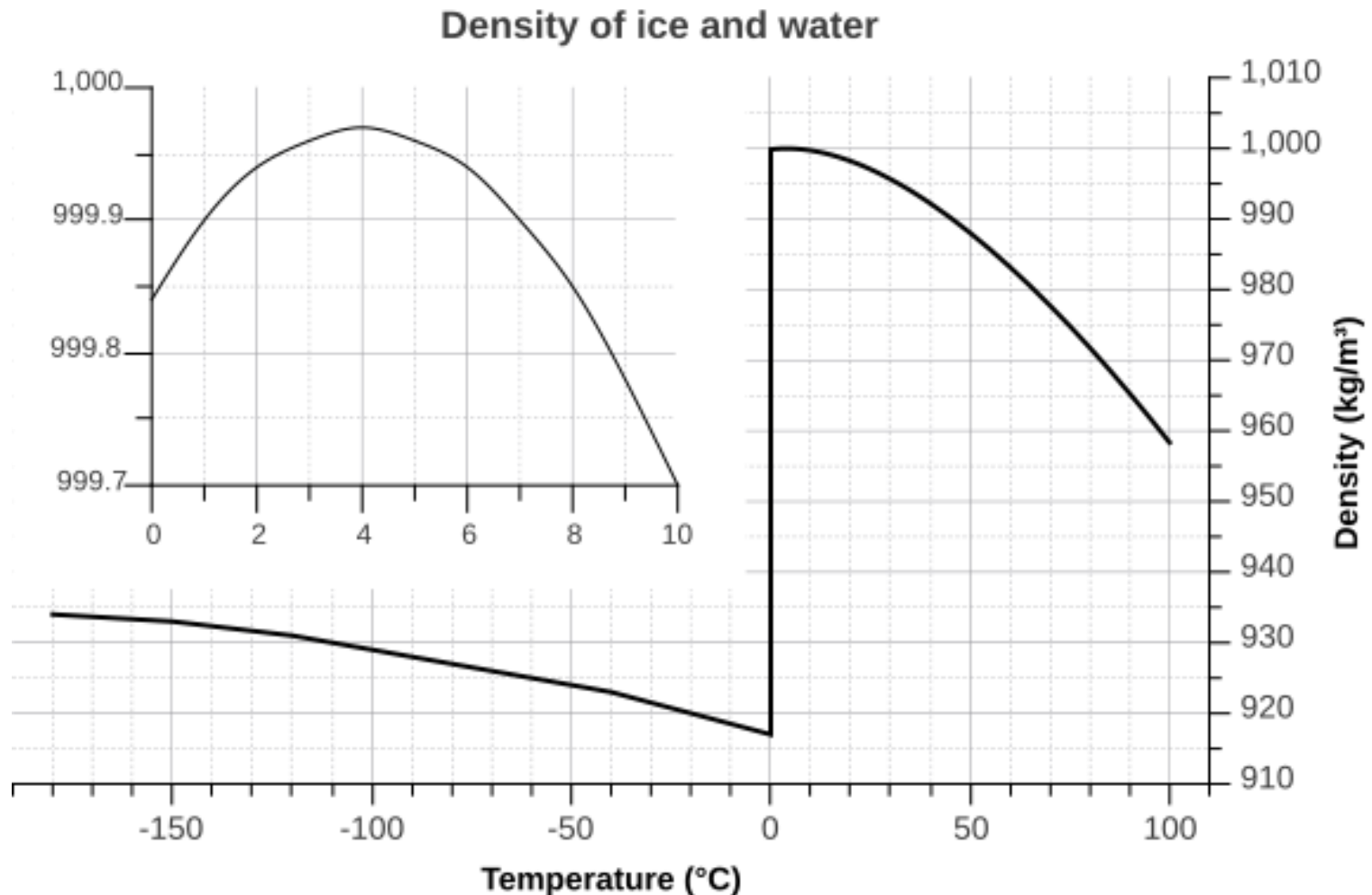


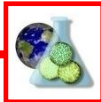
Temperature and Density: Freshwater

- **Water reaches its maximum density at 3.98°C.**
 - *Below this temperature increasing numbers of water molecules form hexagonal polymers and decrease the density of the water.*
 - *Above this temperature water molecules are increasingly energetic and move farther apart, thereby decreasing density.*
- **Hydrogen bonding is responsible for many of the unique properties of water because energy is required to break the hydrogen bonds and separate the water molecules.**



Temperature and Density: *Freshwater*

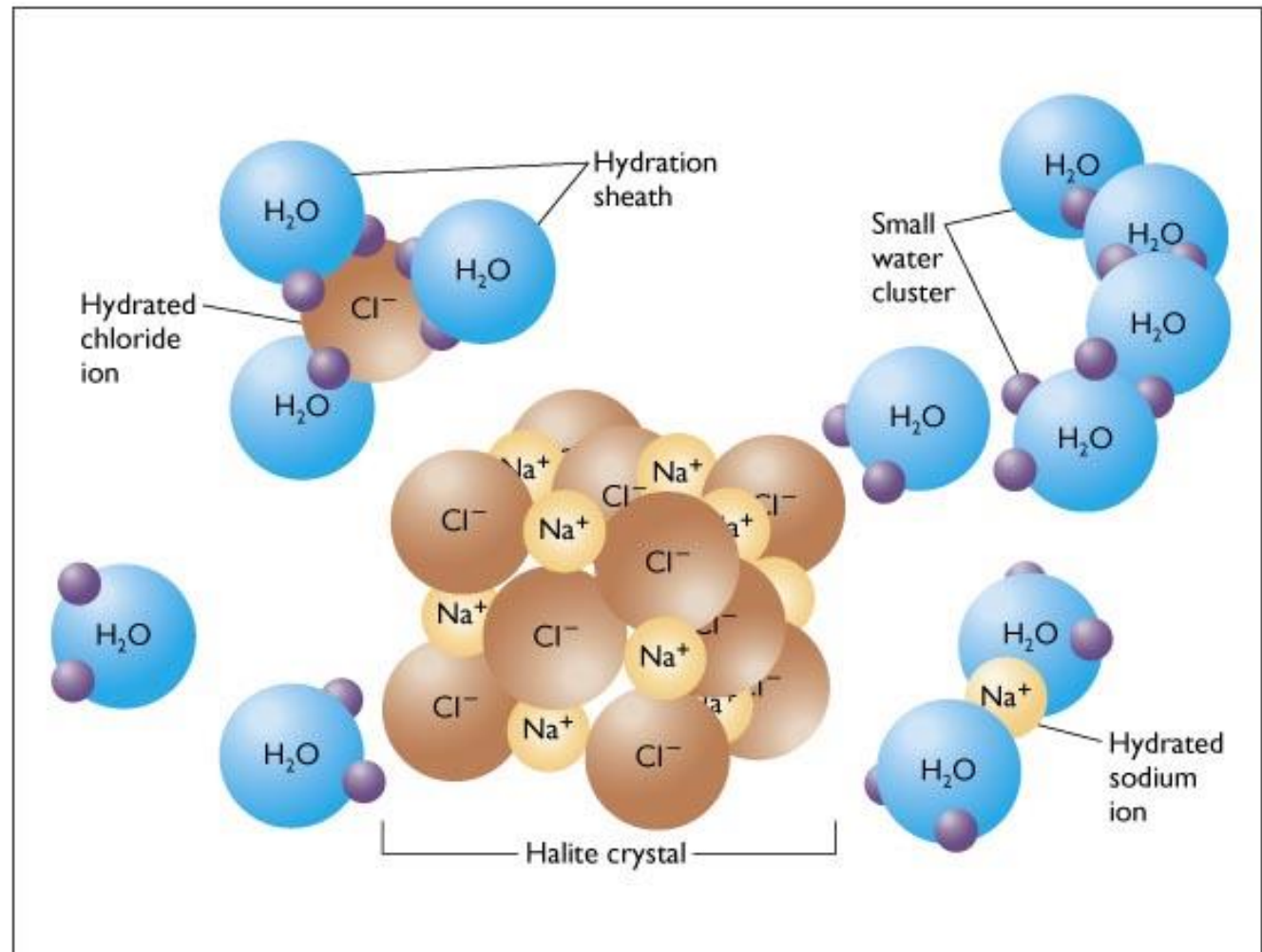




Salt is a ,structure-breaker‘

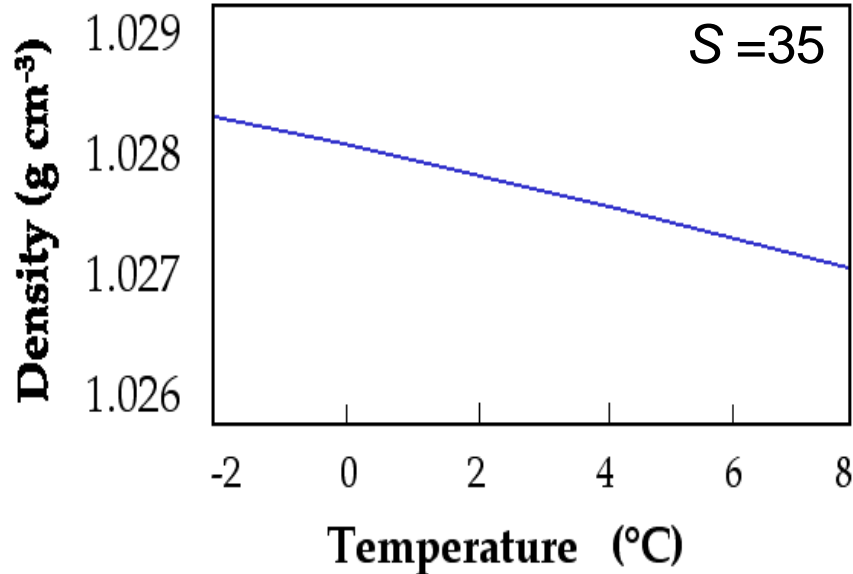
Halite (rock salt).

Figure 5.4

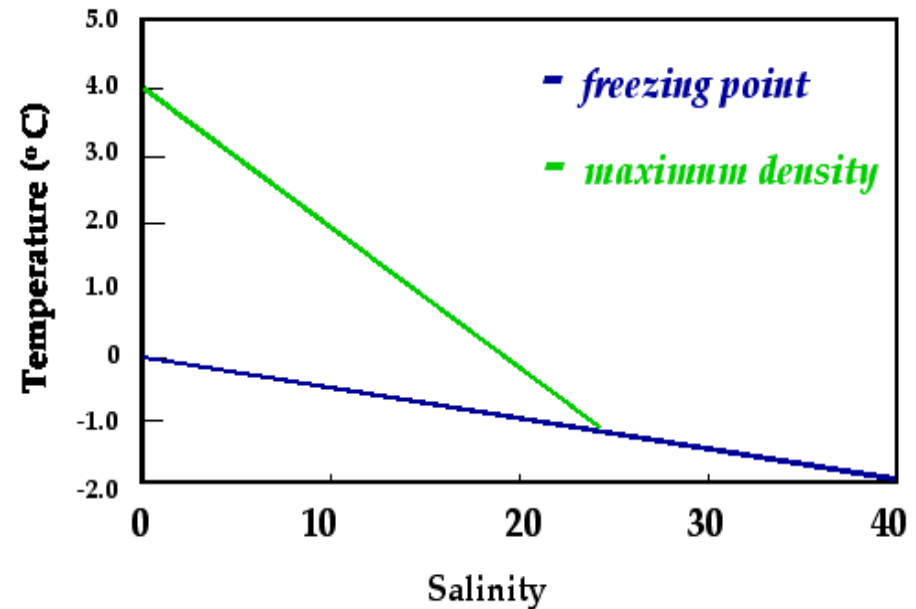




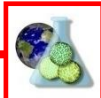
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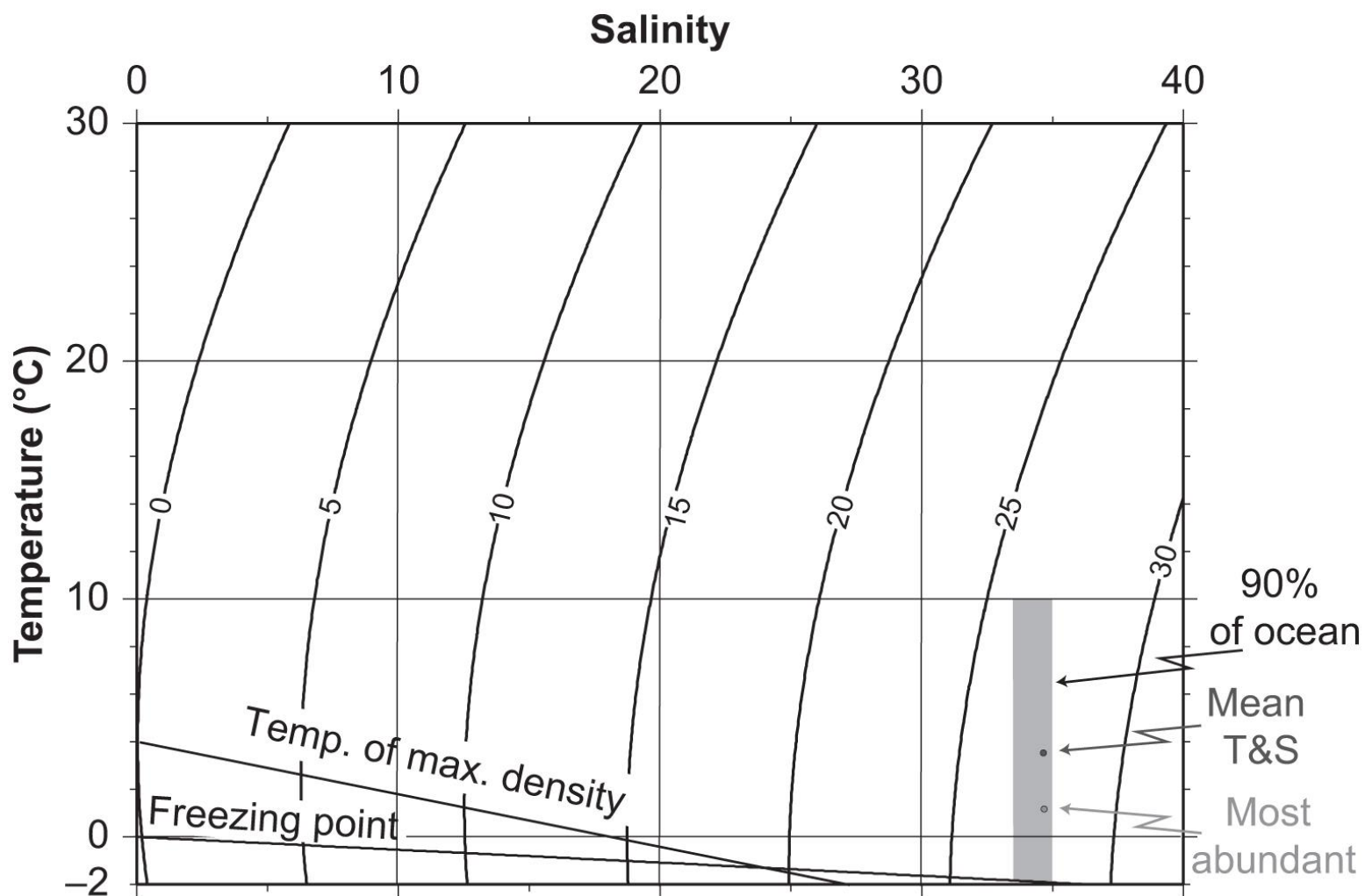
Seawater Density as a Function
of Temperature



Maximum Density and
Freezing Point



Salt is a ,structure-breaker‘

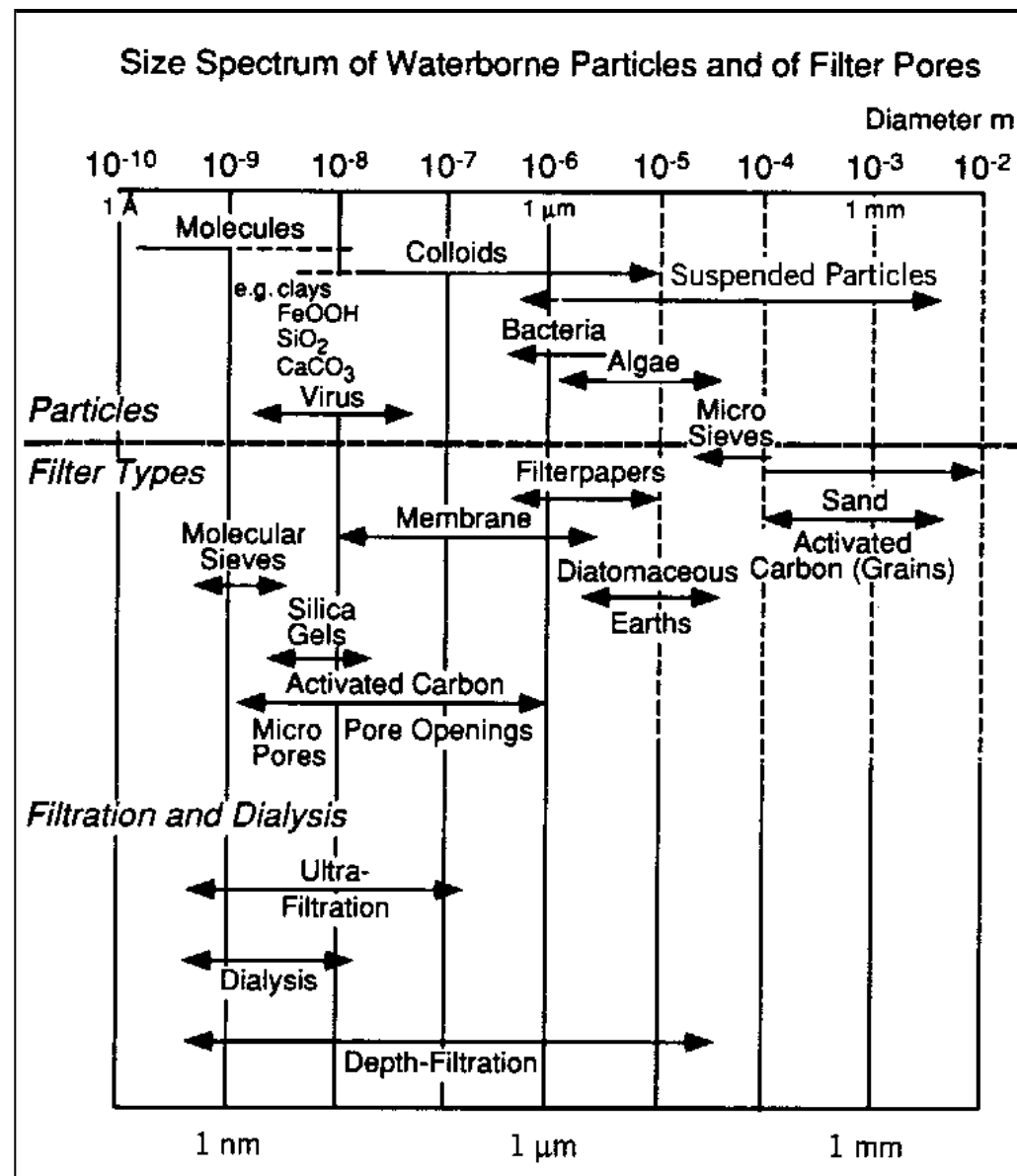


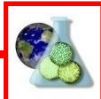


Materials in Seawater

Some materials are 'dissolved', others are 'particulate' in marine science the distinction was/is 'operational'.

- Anything that goes through a 0.2 or 0.4 μm pore-size filter is 'dissolved'.
- Everything that is retained by the filter is 'particulate'.





For Concentrations: Use Moles !

Mass

1. Chemical Mass: By definition, 1 mole of the number 12 isotope of carbon (^{12}C) has a mass of 12.000 g.
2. Masses of all other elements and isotopes are defined relative to this.

The Mole

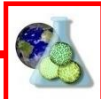
1. A mole is: the amount of substance of a system that contains as many 'elementary entities' (e.g., atoms, molecules) as there are atoms in 12 g of ^{12}C .
2. The current best-measure of the number of atoms in 12.000 g of ^{12}C is $6.02214129 \times 10^{23}$ (Avagadro's number).



3. When the mole is used, the 'elementary entities' must be specified (they may be atoms, molecules, ions, electrons, charge, etc.).
4. The number of moles of a chemical substance is therefore defined as:

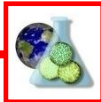
$$\text{moles} = \frac{\text{mass of a substance (g)}}{\text{molar weight (g/moles)}}$$

For example: 1 g of ^{12}C represents (1/12) or 0.08333 moles or 5×10^{22} atoms of ^{12}C



Concentration Scales

Name	Definition	Unit Symbol	Notes
Molarity	moles per liter of seawater	M mol L ⁻¹	Requires density of the solution to be specified
‘Molinity’	moles per kg of seawater	mol kg ⁻¹ mol (kg-sw) ⁻¹	Recommended unit. Conservative with changes in pressure and temperature. (But name is not well recognized).
Molality	moles per kg of H ₂ O	mol (kg-H ₂ O) ⁻¹	Used mainly by physical chemists (often confused with ‘molinity’).
Weight Ratio	mass of solute per unit mass of solvent	Various. e.g. ppb = parts per billion, μg kg ⁻¹ ppm = parts per million, mg kg ⁻¹	Used mainly by engineers and pollution chemists. Not useful for chemical calculations. Definitions often vague. Potentially confusing.



Major Constituents of Seawater

- Almost all elements in the Periodic Table that are found on Earth are found in the ocean (about 92 elements).
- 2 are exclusively human-derived (Pu and Am). They are now present!
- Francium (Fr) probably does not exist in the ocean. $t_{0.5}$ of only 22 minutes. Total amount on Earth < 30g.
- ,Major' constituents are defined as those with concentrations in *normal seawater* that are $> 1 \text{ mg (kg-sw)}^{-1}$ ($> \sim 50 \text{ } \mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$)

Remember: (kg-sw) refers to a kilogram of seawater and 1 liter of *typical seawater* weighs about 1.025 kg at 20°C).



Concentrations of the Major Constituents in surface seawater

<i>At salinity (PSS 1978): $S = 35.000$</i>				
	<i>mg kg⁻¹ S⁻¹</i>	<i>g/kg</i>	<i>mmol/kg</i>	<i>mM</i>
Na ⁺	308.0	10.781	468.96	480.57
K ⁺	11.40	0.399	10.21	10.46
Mg ⁺⁺	36.69	1.284	52.83	54.14
*Ca ⁺⁺	11.77	0.4119	10.28	10.53
*Sr ⁺⁺	0.227	0.00794	0.0906	0.0928
Cl ⁻	552.94	19.353	545.88	559.40
SO ₄ ⁼	77.49	2.712	28.23	28.93
*HCO ₃ ⁻	3.60	0.126	2.06	2.11
Br ⁻	1.923	0.0673	0.844	0.865
B(OH) ₃	0.735	0.0257	0.416	0.426
F ⁻	0.037	0.00130	0.068	0.070
Totals	1004.81	35.169	1119.87	1147.59
*Alkalinity	—.—	—.—	2.32	2.38
Everything else	—.—	~0.03	—.—	—.—
Water	—.—	~964.80	~53,555.	~54,881.

* = non-conservative



Constancy of Composition

- Salinity is a measure of the dissolved salt content of seawater.

Originally expressed as $(g \text{ salt})/(kg\text{-sw})$ or ppm (parts-per-thousand) or ‰ (per mille), the quantity is now defined as being dimensionless (no units).

(We speak only of a ,salinity of 35‘)

Exact definitions and measurement techniques have varied over time.

- Mean salinity of the ocean is ~35
- Variation of salinity through most of the ocean is $< \pm 7\%$



Conservative Behaviour

Salinity varies from place to place BUT:

Most, *but not all*, of the major constituents of seawater are

→ ***,conservative‘***.

i.e. they are found in constant proportions to salinity throughout the open ocean from surface to bottom.

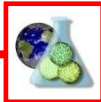
Constituents that are NOT found in constant proportion to salinity are:

,non-conservative‘

Big Questions:

Why is the sea salty?

How is seawater composition regulated?



Why Conservative and Non-Conservative?

- Conservative elements have to have relatively long residence times:
(Residence time \gg oceanic mixing time of ~ 1000 years)
- Strong non-conservative behaviour occurs when
residence time \sim or $<$ ocean mixing-time.
or
there are strong localized sources and sinks in different parts of the ocean (e.g. biologically-utilised elements)



Steady-state vs. Equilibrium

Steady-state:

- production and removal rates are the same
- absence of change over time
- input = output

Not the same as

Equilibrium:

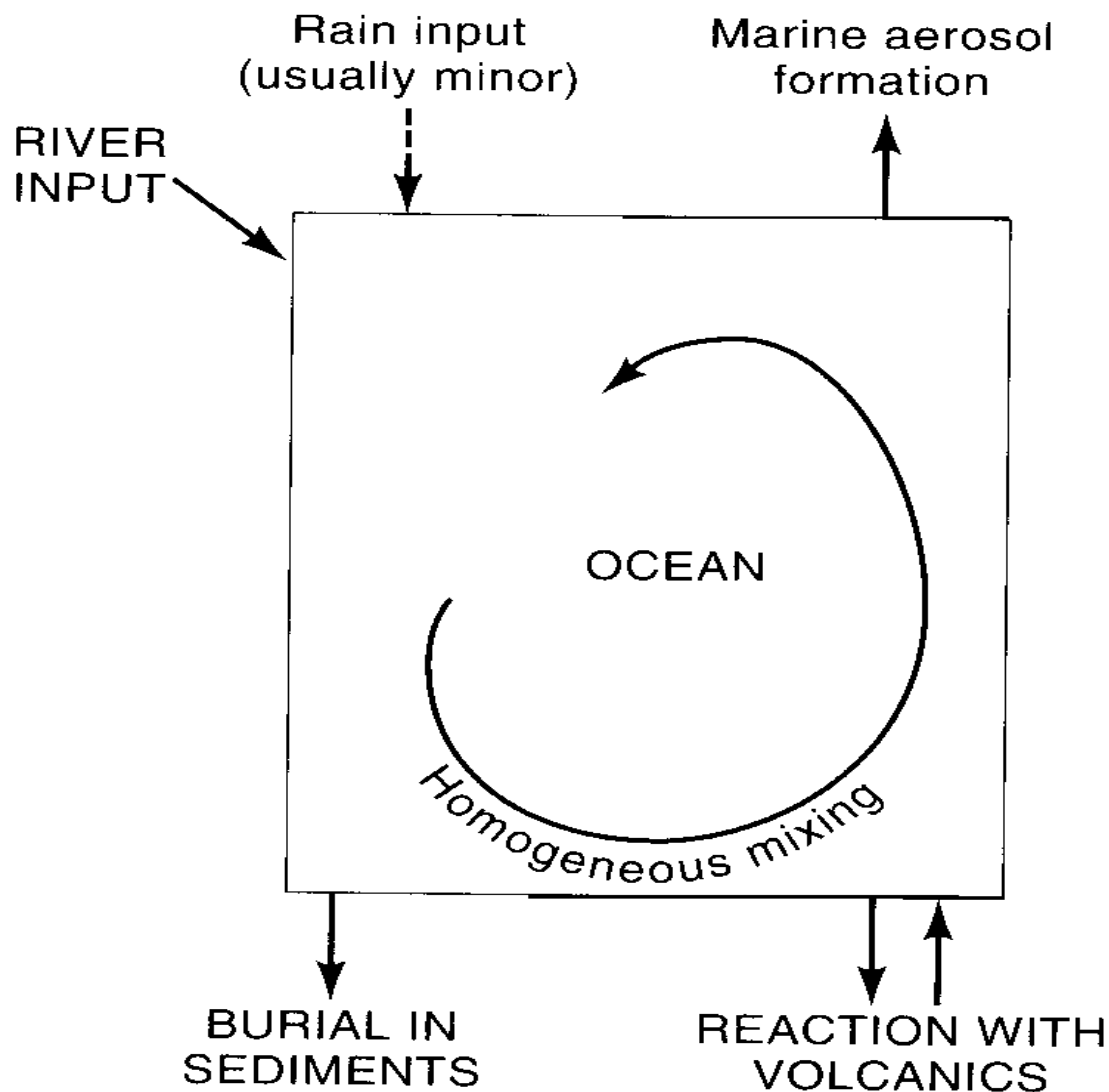
- in chemistry, when concentrations of reactants and products are in a state of minimum Gibbs energy for a reaction.

Seawater composition is NOT in equilibrium (e.g. with the solid earth and atmosphere) but IS for most major constituents (not all) in steady-state

For example: CO_2 and (HCO_3^-) are NOT in steady-state

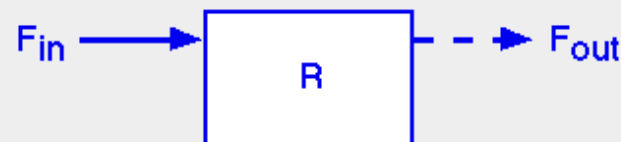


One-Box Model



Residence time calculations

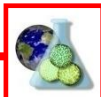
Flux: amount, per unit time, added
Reservoir: amount present



$$t = \frac{R}{F}$$

$$F_{in} \equiv F_{out} \quad (\text{assumed})$$

$$R = \text{constant} \quad (\text{steady-state})$$



Residence time of Water in the Ocean

$$\begin{aligned} R (\text{volume}) &= 1370 \times 10^6 \text{ km}^3 \\ &= 1.4 \times 10^9 \text{ km}^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} F (\text{river influx}) &= 37 \times 10^3 \text{ km}^3/\text{yr} \\ &= 3.7 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^3/\text{yr} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} t &= \frac{R}{F} \\ &= \frac{1.4 \times 10^9 \text{ km}^3}{3.7 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^3/\text{yr}} \\ &\approx 4 \times 10^4 \text{ years} \end{aligned}$$

Residence time of Chloride in the Ocean

$$R (\text{amount}) = [\text{Cl}]_{\text{sw}} \times \text{Ocean Volume}$$

$$[\text{Cl}]_{\text{sw}} = 19 \text{ g/kg}$$

$$F (\text{river influx}) = [\text{Cl}]_{\text{rw}} \times \text{Global River Discharge}$$

$$[\text{Cl}]_{\text{rw}} \approx 6 \text{ mg/kg}$$

$$\begin{aligned} t &= \frac{R}{F} \\ &= \frac{[\text{Cl}]_{\text{sw}}}{[\text{Cl}]_{\text{rw}}} \times \frac{\text{Ocean Volume}}{\text{Global River Discharge}} \\ &= \frac{19}{6 \times 10^{-3}} \times 4 \times 10^4 \\ &= 3 \times 10^3 \times 4 \times 10^4 \\ &= 1.2 \times 10^8 = 120 \text{ million years} \end{aligned}$$



Constituent	River water	Seawater	Enrichment factor (ocean vs. river)	Mean residence time (ocean)
	(mmol kg ⁻¹)	(mmol kg ⁻¹)		(10 ⁶ years)
Na ⁺	0.22	468.96	2093	75
Mg ²⁺	0.14	52.83	383	14
Ca ²⁺	0.33	10.28	31	1.1
K ⁺	0.03	10.21	307	11
Sr ²⁺	0.0003	0.09	265	12
Cl ⁻	0.16	545.88	3366	120
SO ₄ ²⁻	0.09	28.23	329	12
HCO ₃ ⁻	0.85	2.06	2	0.1
Br ⁻	0.0003	0.84	3372	100
B(OH) ₃	0.0002	0.42	2572	10
F ⁻	0.005	0.07	13	0.5



Non-conservative substances:

- Vary independently from salinity
- Often chemically or biologically-reactive substances
- Radioisotopes and decay products
- Or have short oceanic residence times (e.g. particle-reactive)