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Chapter 13
Properties of Solutions

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Solutions

- Solutions are homogeneous mixtures of two or more pure substances.
- In a solution, the solute is dispersed uniformly throughout the solvent.

State of Solution	State of Solvent	State of Solute	Example
Gas	Gas	Gas	Air
Liquid	Liquid	Gas	Oxygen in water
Liquid	Liquid	Liquid	Alcohol in water
Liquid	Liquid	Solid	Salt in water
Solid	Solid	Gas	Hydrogen in palladium
Solid	Solid	Liquid	Mercury in silver
Solid	Solid	Solid	Silver in gold

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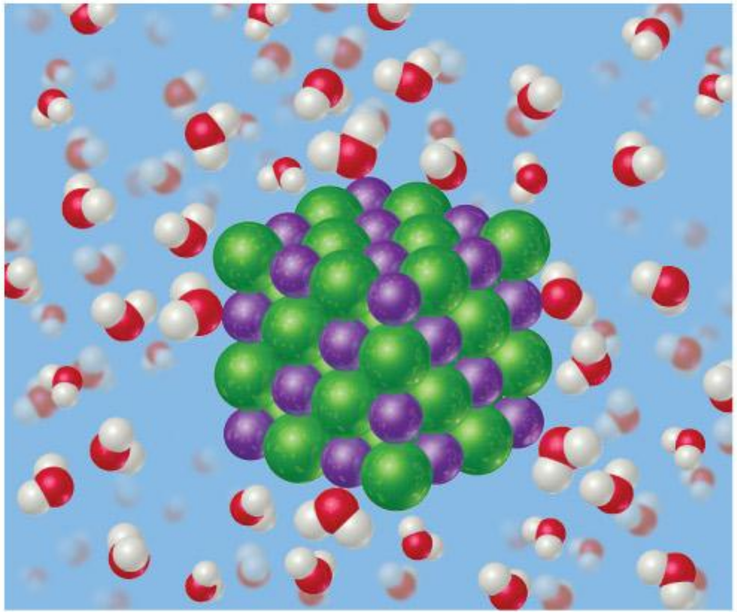
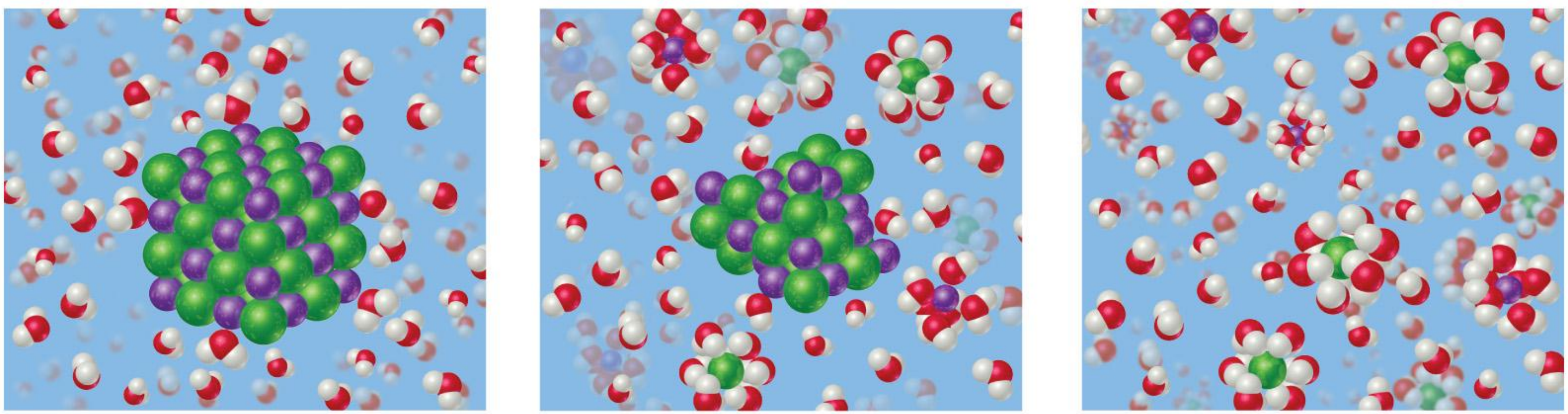
The intermolecular forces between solute and solvent particles must be strong enough to compete with those between solute particles and those between solvent particles.



How Does a Solution Form?

As a solution forms, the solvent pulls solute particles apart and surrounds, or **solvates**, them.



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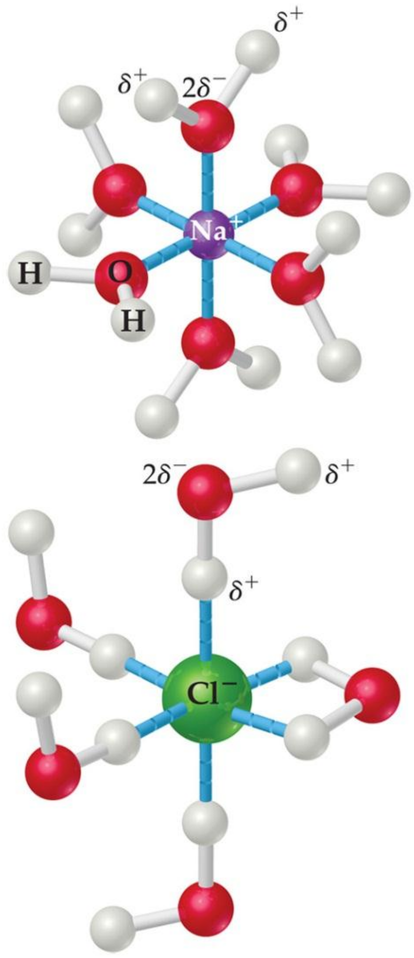
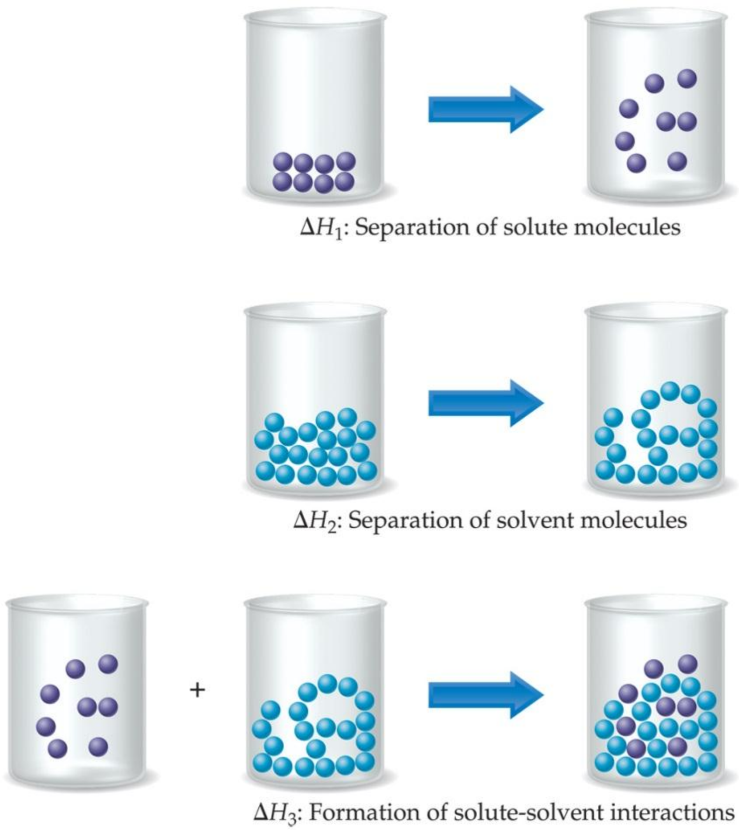


If an ionic salt is soluble in water, it is because the ion-dipole interactions are strong enough to overcome the lattice energy of the salt crystal.

Energy Changes in Solution

- Simply put, three processes affect the energetics of solution:
  - separation of solute particles,
  - separation of solvent particles,
  - new interactions between solute and solvent.



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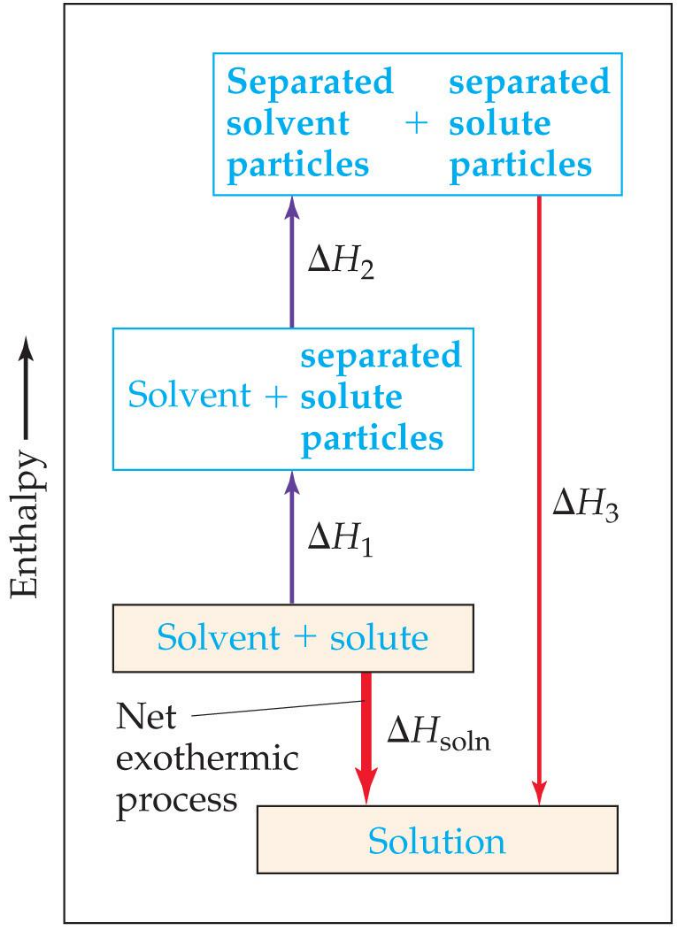
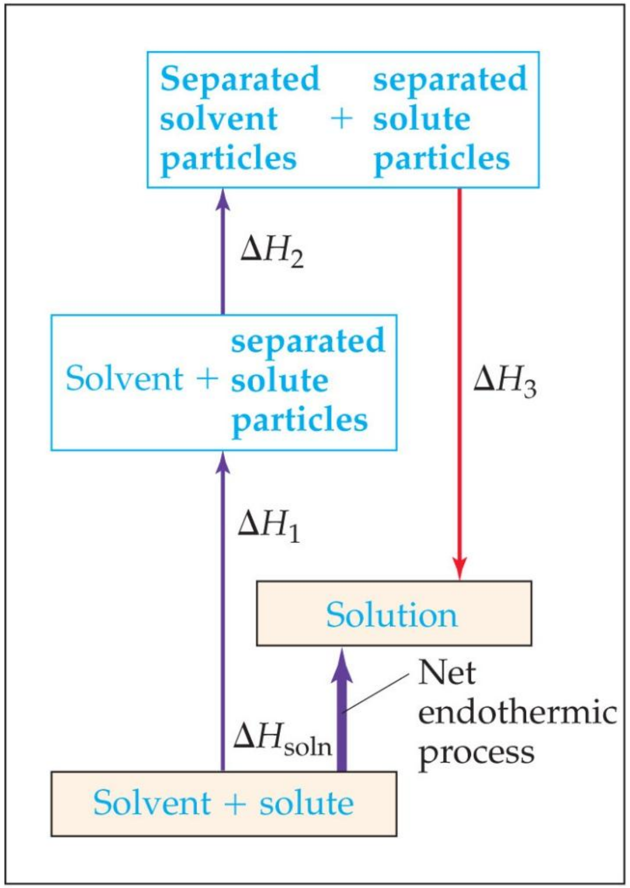


The enthalpy change of the overall process depends on ΔH for each of these steps.

Why Do Endothermic Processes Occur?

Things do not tend to occur spontaneously (i.e., without outside intervention) unless the energy of the system is lowered.



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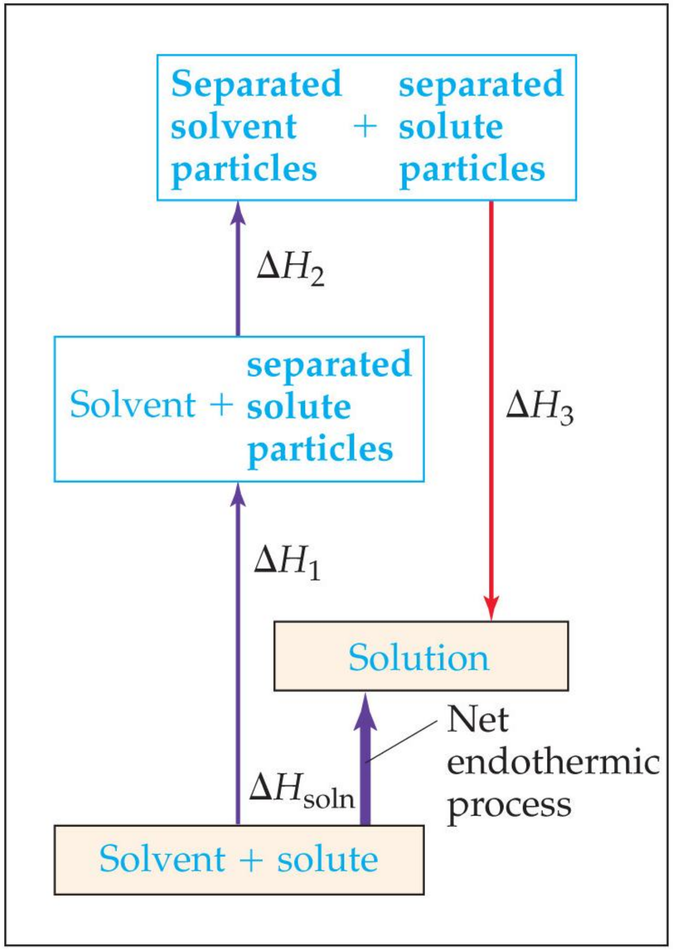
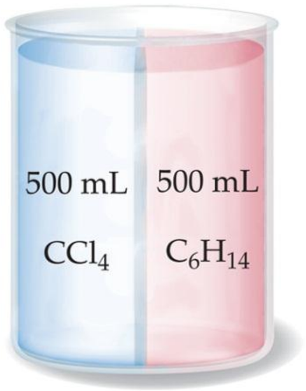


Yet we know the in some processes, like the dissolution of NH_4NO_3 in water, heat is absorbed, not released.

Enthalpy Is Only Part of the Picture

The reason is that increasing the disorder or randomness (known as entropy) of a system tends to lower the energy of the system.



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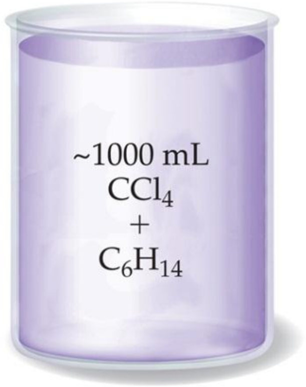

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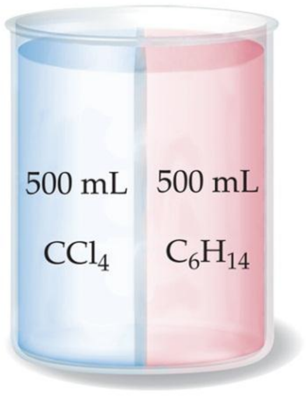
So even though enthalpy may increase, the overall energy of the system can still decrease if the system becomes more disordered.



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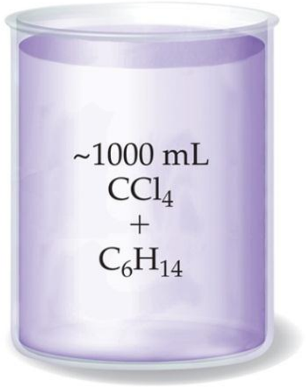

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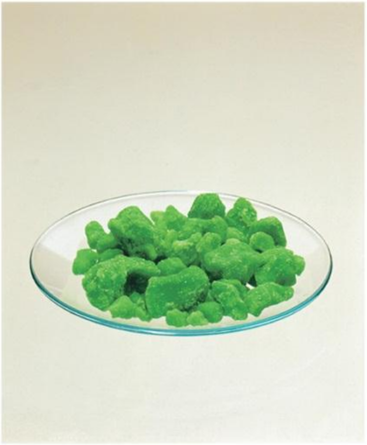

Just because a substance disappears when it comes in contact with a solvent, it doesn't mean the substance dissolved.

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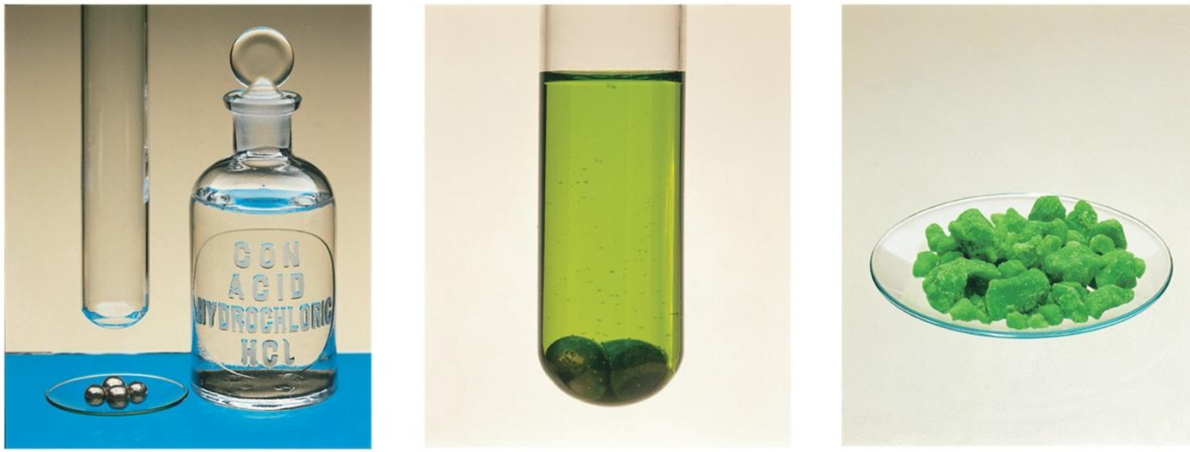
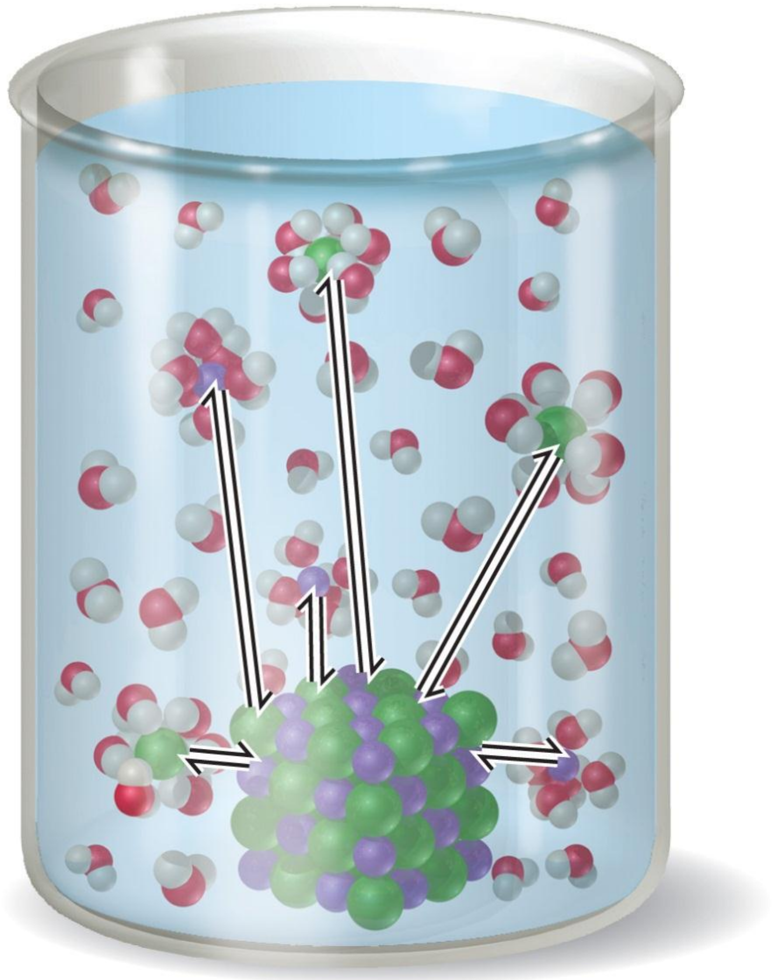


- Dissolution is a physical change — you can get back the original solute by evaporating the solvent.
- If you can't, the substance didn't dissolve, it reacted.

Types of Solutions



- Saturated
  - In a saturated solution, the solvent holds as much solute as is possible at that temperature.
  - Dissolved solute is in dynamic equilibrium with solid solute particles.

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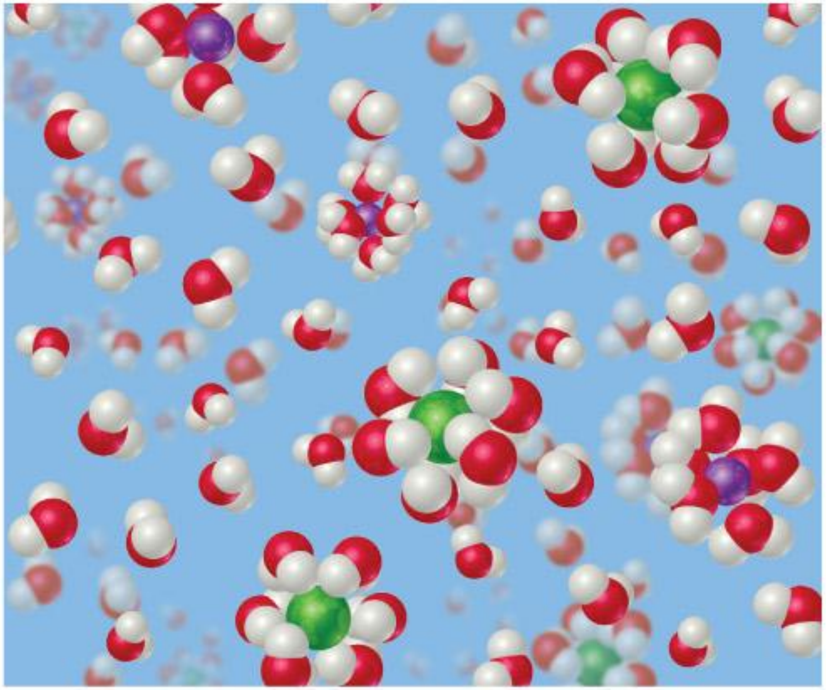
Types of Solutions

- Unsaturated
  - If a solution is unsaturated, less solute than can dissolve in the solvent at that temperature is dissolved in the solvent.



Types of Solutions

- Supersaturated
  - In **supersaturated** solutions, the solvent holds more solute than is normally possible at that temperature.
  - These solutions are unstable; crystallization can usually be stimulated by adding a “seed crystal” or scratching the side of the flask.

Factors Affecting Solubility

- Chemists use the axiom “like dissolves like."
  - Polar substances tend to dissolve in polar solvents.
  - Nonpolar substances tend to dissolve in nonpolar solvents.

Alcohol	Solubility in H_2O	Solubility in C_6H_{14}
CH_3OH (methanol)	∞	0.12
CH_3CH_2OH (ethanol)	∞	∞
$CH_3CH_2CH_2OH$ (propanol)	∞	∞
$CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_2OH$ (butanol)	0.11	∞
$CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2OH$ (pentanol)	0.030	∞
$CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2OH$ (hexanol)	0.0058	∞

*Expressed in mol alcohol/100 g solvent at 20 °C. The infinity symbol (∞) indicates that the alcohol is completely miscible with the solvent.

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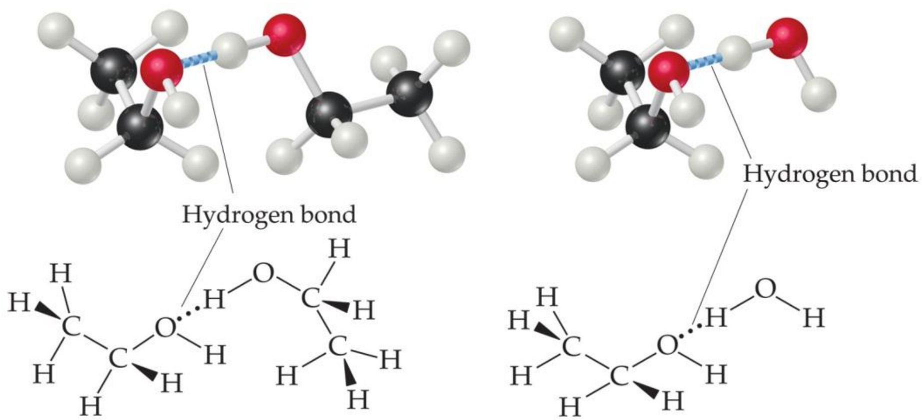

The more similar the intermolecular attractions, the more likely one substance is to be soluble in another.

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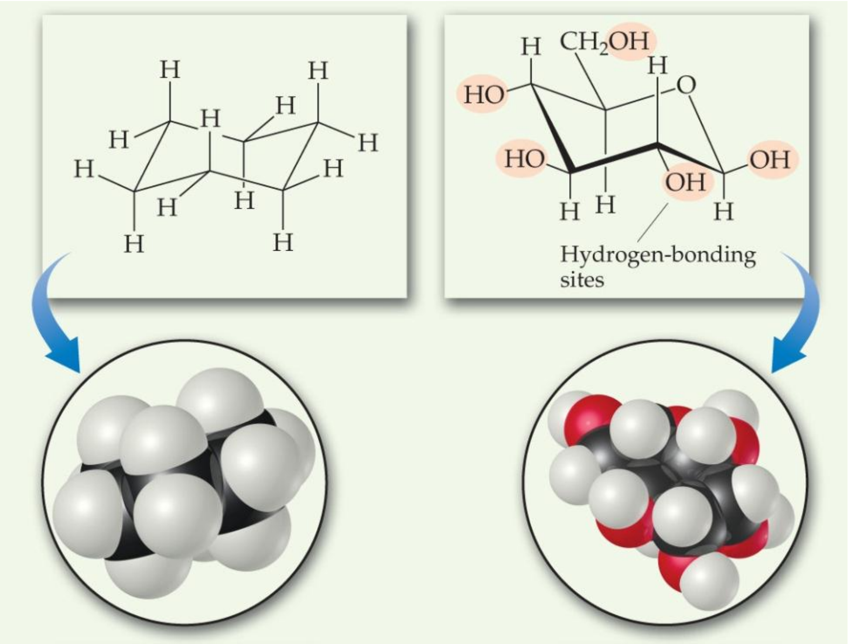
Factors Affecting Solubility

Glucose (which has hydrogen bonding) is very soluble in water, while cyclohexane (which only has dispersion forces) is not.

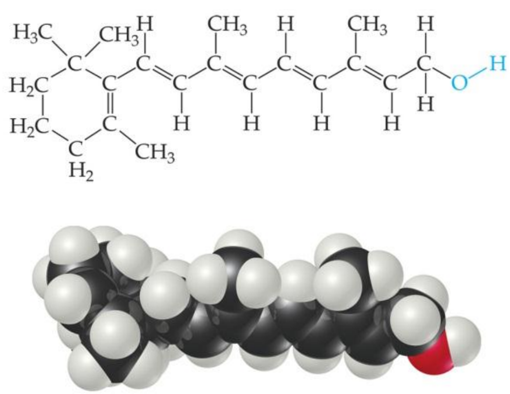


Cyclohexane, C_6H_{12}, which has no polar OH groups, is essentially insoluble in water.

Glucose, $C_6H_{12}O_6$, has five OH groups and is highly soluble in water.

Factors Affecting Solubility

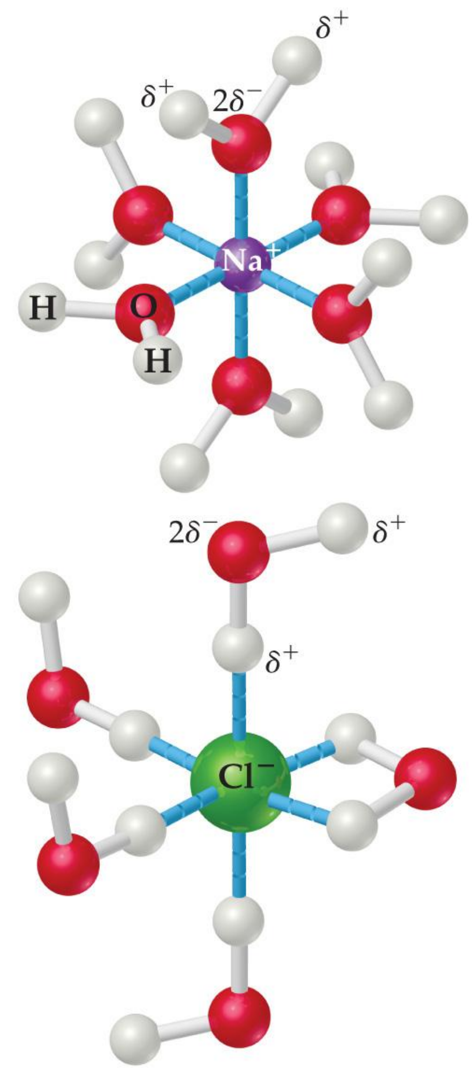
- Vitamin A is soluble in nonpolar compounds (like fats).
- Vitamin C is soluble in water.



Vitamin A

Gases in Solution

- In general, the solubility of gases in water increases with increasing mass.
- Larger molecules have stronger dispersion forces.



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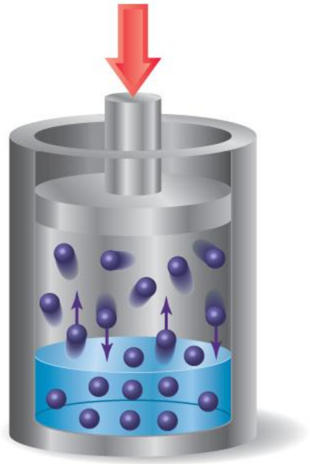

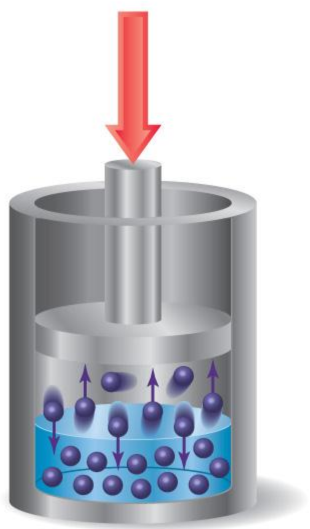

- The solubility of liquids and solids does not change appreciably with pressure.
- The solubility of a gas in a liquid is directly proportional to its pressure.

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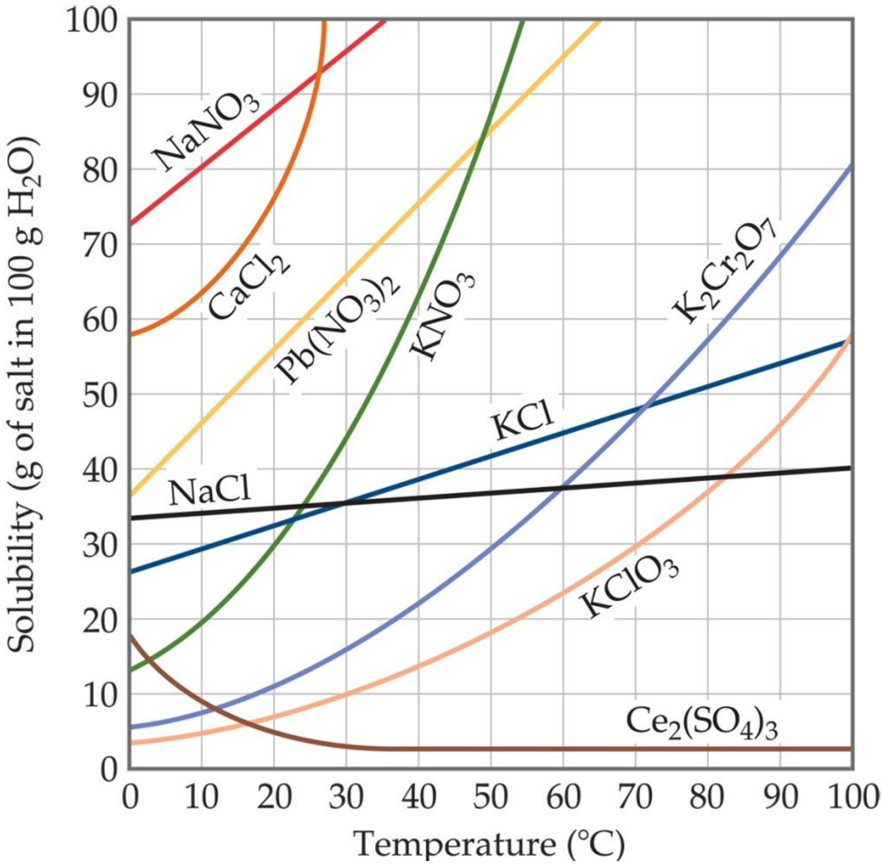
Henry's Law

$$S_g = kP_g$$

where

- S_g is the solubility of the gas,
- k is the Henry's Law constant for that gas in that solvent, and
- P_g is the partial pressure of the gas above the liquid.

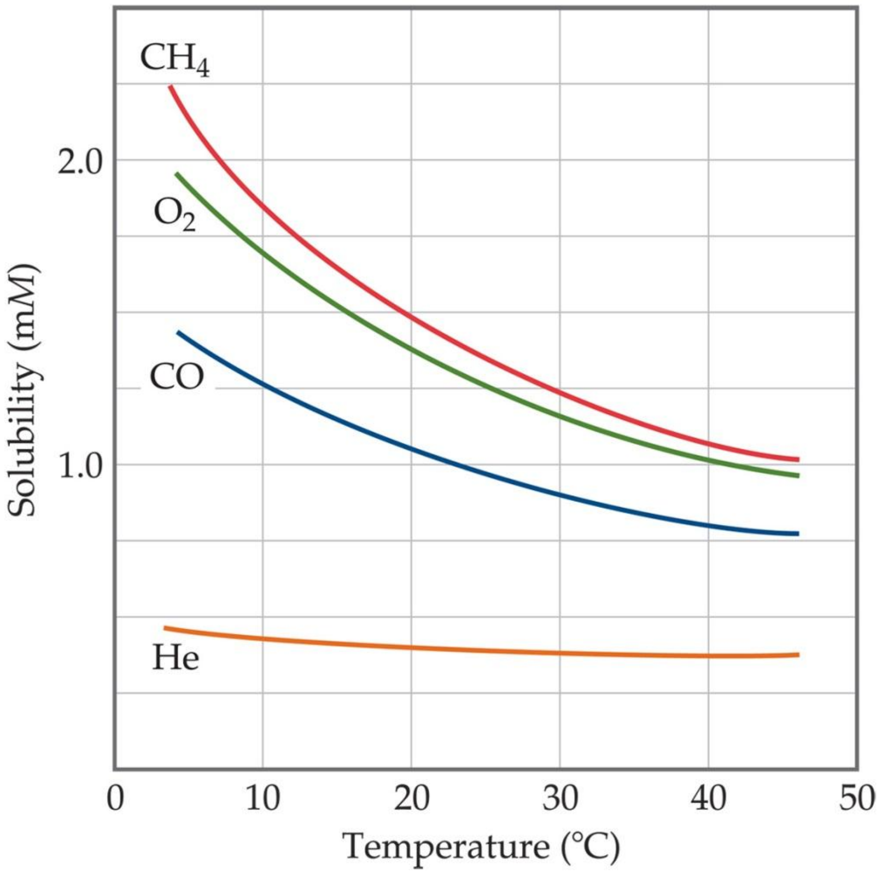
Temperature



Generally, the solubility of solid solutes in liquid solvents increases with increasing temperature.

Temperature

- The opposite is true of gases.
  - Carbonated soft drinks are more “bubbly” if stored in the refrigerator.
  - Warm lakes have less O_2 dissolved in them than cool lakes.

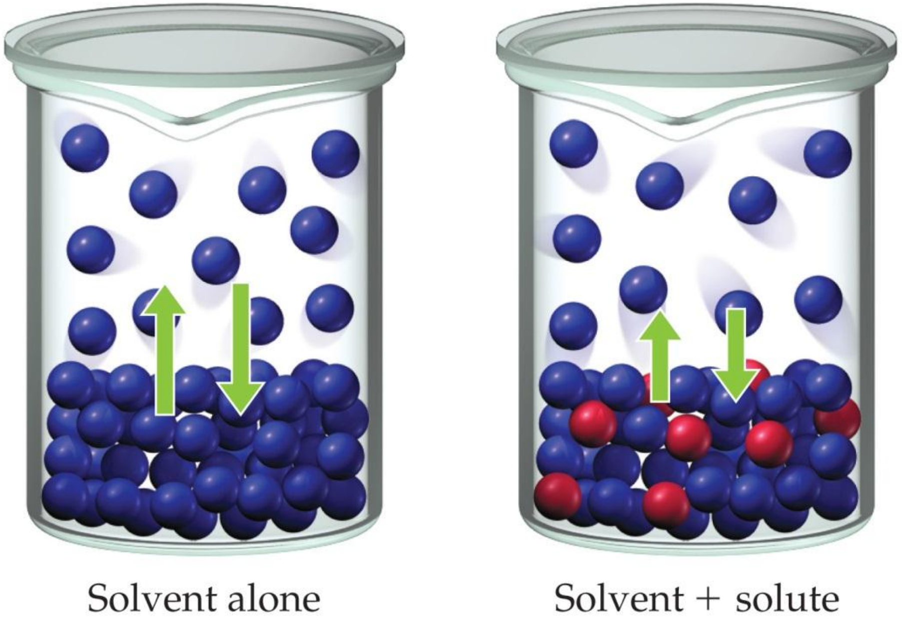


Colligative Properties

- Changes in colligative properties depend only on the *number* of solute particles present, not on the *identity* of the solute particles.
- Among colligative properties are
  - Vapor pressure lowering
  - Boiling point elevation
  - Melting point depression
  - Osmotic pressure

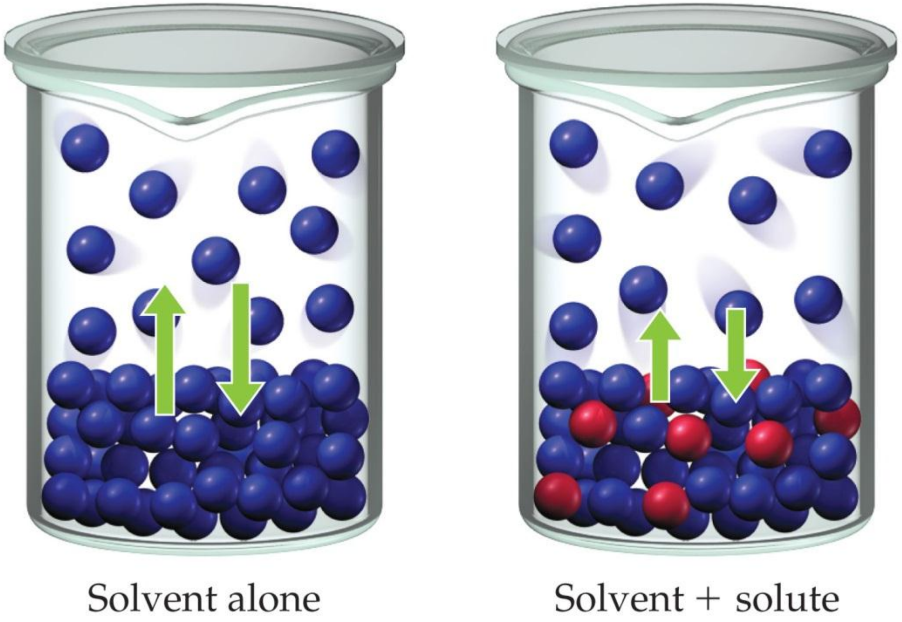
Vapor Pressure

Because of solute-solvent intermolecular attraction, higher concentrations of nonvolatile solutes make it harder for solvent to escape to the vapor phase.



Vapor Pressure

Therefore, the vapor pressure of a solution is lower than that of the pure solvent.



Raoult's Law

$$P_A = X_A P°_A$$

where

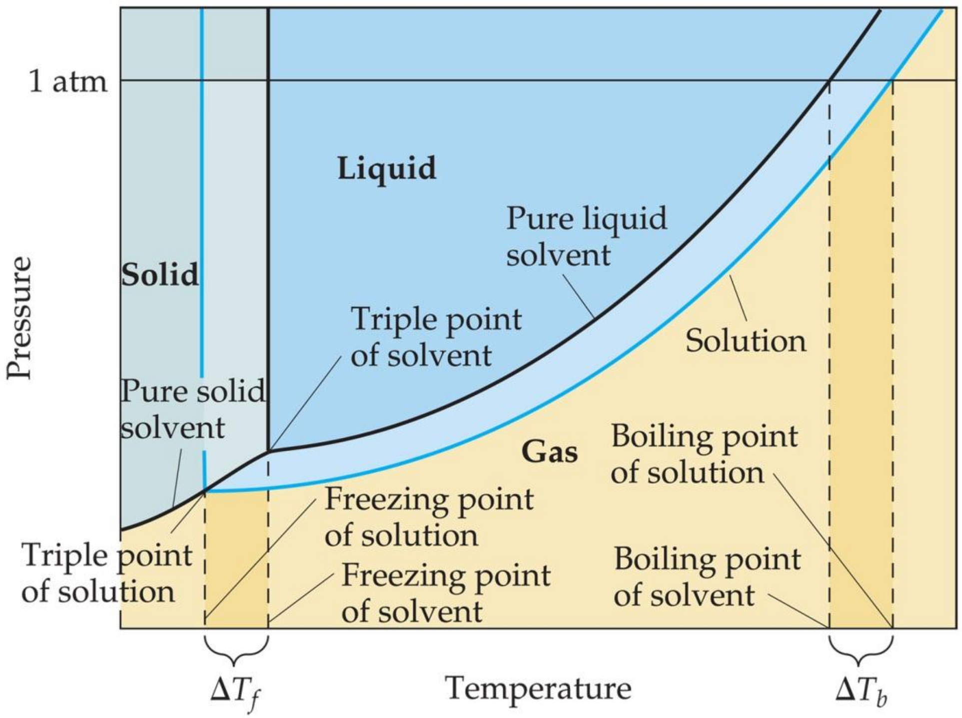
– X_A is the mole fraction of compound A, and

– $P°_A$ is the normal vapor pressure of A at that temperature.

NOTE: This is one of those times when you want to make sure you have the vapor pressure of the ***solvent***.

Boiling Point Elevation and Freezing Point Depression

Nonvolatile solute-solvent interactions also cause solutions to have higher boiling points and lower freezing points than the pure solvent.



Boiling Point Elevation

- The change in boiling point is proportional to the molality of the solution:

$$\Delta T_b = K_b \cdot m$$

where K_b is the molal boiling point elevation constant, a property of the solvent.

Molal Boiling-Point-Elevation and Freezing-Point-Depression Constants

Solvent	Normal Boiling Point (°C)	K_b (°C/m)	Normal Freezing Point (°C)	K_f (°C/m)
Water, H_2O	100.0	0.51	0.0	1.86
Benzene, C_6H_6	80.1	2.53	5.5	5.12
Ethanol, C_2H_5OH	78.4	1.22	−114.6	1.99
Carbon tetrachloride, CCl_4	76.8	5.02	−22.3	29.8
Chloroform, $CHCl_3$	61.2	3.63	−63.5	4.68

ΔT_b is *added to* the normal boiling point of the solvent.

Boiling Point Elevation

- The change in freezing point can be found similarly:

$$\Delta T_f = K_f \cdot m$$

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- Here K_f is the molal freezing point depression constant of the solvent.

ΔT_f is *subtracted from* the normal boiling point of the solvent.

Boiling Point Elevation and Freezing Point Depression

Note that in both equations, ΔT does not depend on *what the solute is*, but only on *how many particles* are dissolved.

$$\Delta T_b = K_b \cdot m$$

$$\Delta T_f = K_f \cdot m$$

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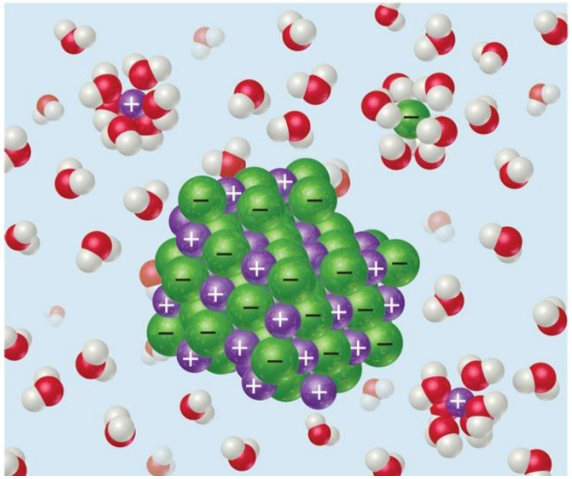
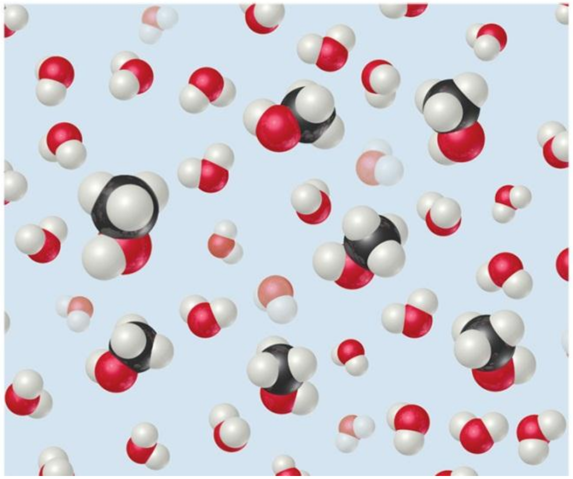
Colligative Properties of Electrolytes

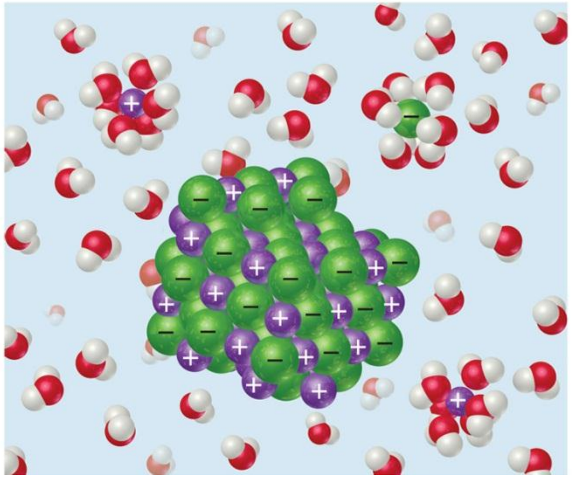
Since these properties depend on the number of particles dissolved, solutions of electrolytes (which dissociate in solution) should show greater changes than those of nonelectrolytes.

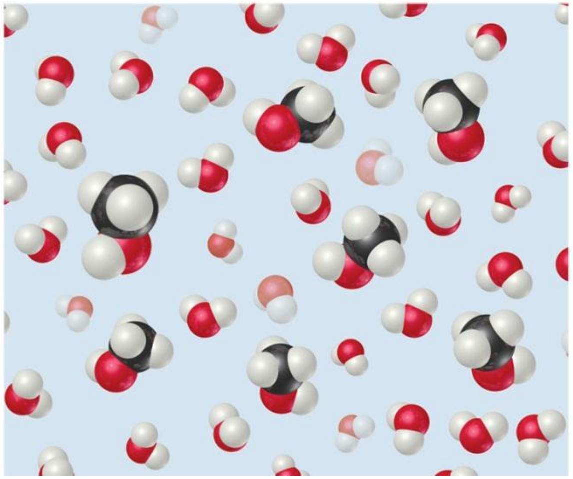




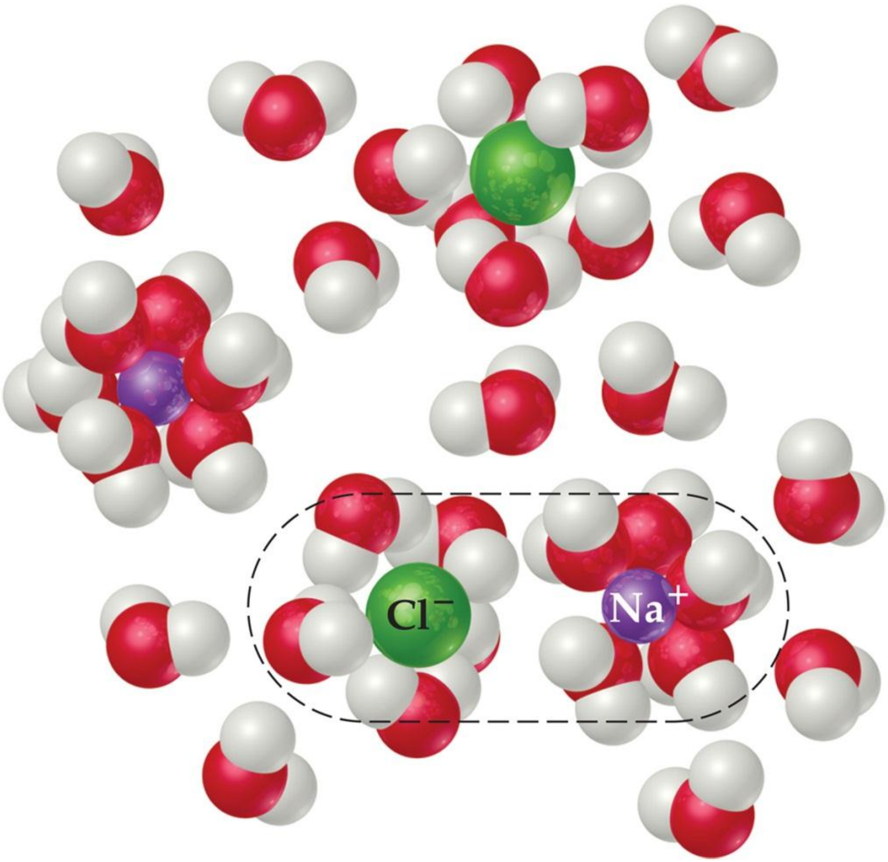
Colligative Properties of Electrolytes

However, a 1*M* solution of NaCl does not show twice the change in freezing point that a 1*M* solution of methanol does.



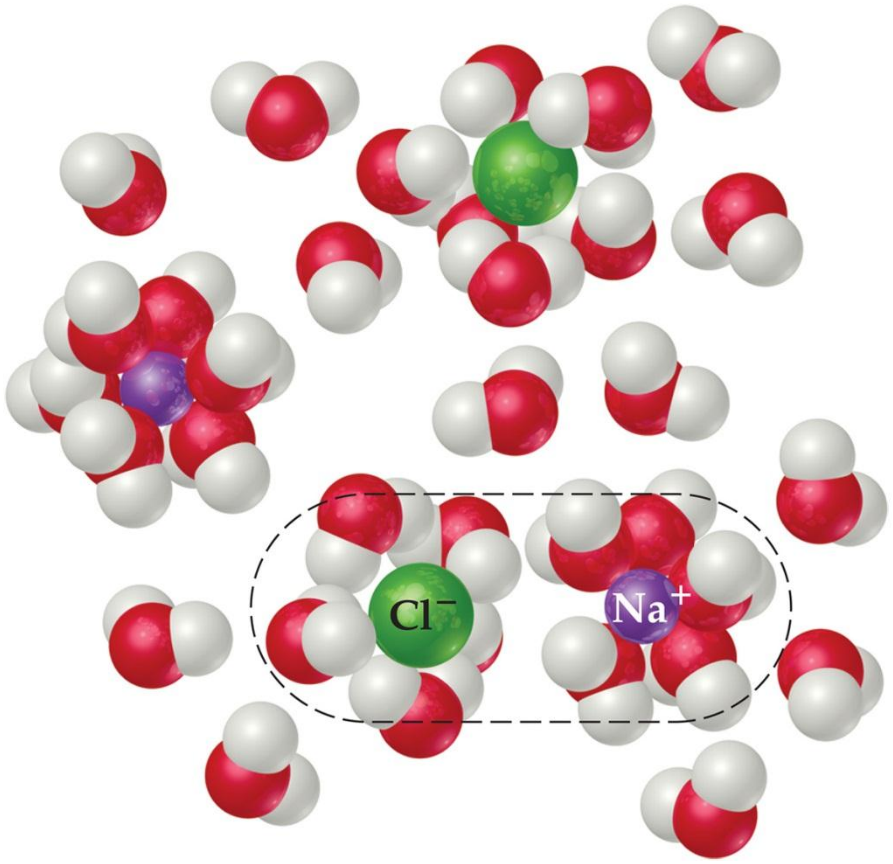


van’t Hoff Factor



One mole of NaCl in water does not really give rise to two moles of ions.

van't Hoff Factor



Some Na^+ and Cl^- reassociate for a short time, so the true concentration of particles is somewhat less than two times the concentration of NaCl.

van't Hoff Factor

- Reassociation is more likely at higher concentration.
- Therefore, the number of particles present is concentration-dependent.

TABLE 13.5 ■ van't Hoff Factors for Several Substances at 25 °C

	Concentration			
Compound	**0.100 *m***	**0.0100 *m***	**0.00100 *m***	**Limiting Value**
Sucrose	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
NaCl	1.87	1.94	1.97	2.00
K_2SO_4	2.32	2.70	2.84	3.00
$MgSO_4$	1.21	1.53	1.82	2.00

van’t Hoff Factor

- We modify the previous equations by multiplying by the van’t Hoff factor, *i*.

$$\Delta T_f = K_f \cdot m \cdot i$$

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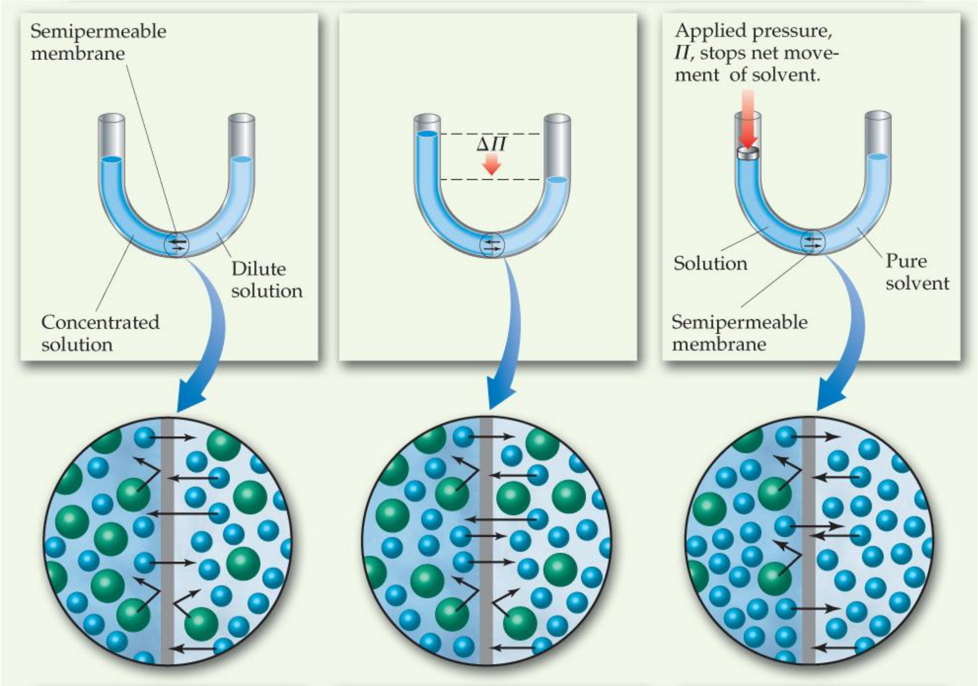
Osmosis

- Some substances form semipermeable membranes, allowing some smaller particles to pass through, but blocking other larger particles.
- In biological systems, most semipermeable membranes allow water to pass through, but solutes are not free to do so.

Osmosis



In osmosis, there is net movement of solvent from the area of **higher solvent concentration** (*lower solute concentration*) to the are of **lower solvent concentration** (*higher solute concentration*).

Osmotic Pressure

The pressure required to stop osmosis, known as osmotic pressure, π, is

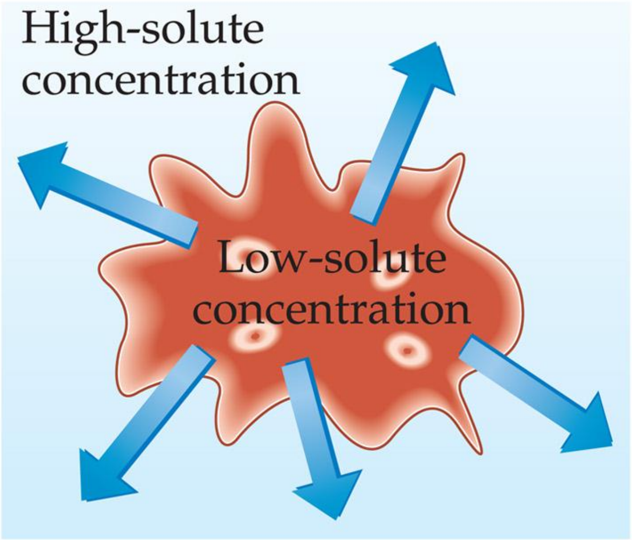
$$\pi = \left(\frac{n}{V}\right)RT = MRT$$

where M is the molarity of the solution.

If the osmotic pressure is the same on both sides of a membrane (i.e., the concentrations are the same), the solutions are isotonic.

Osmosis in Blood Cells

- If the solute concentration outside the cell is greater than that inside the cell, the solution is hypertonic.
- Water will flow out of the cell, and crenation results.



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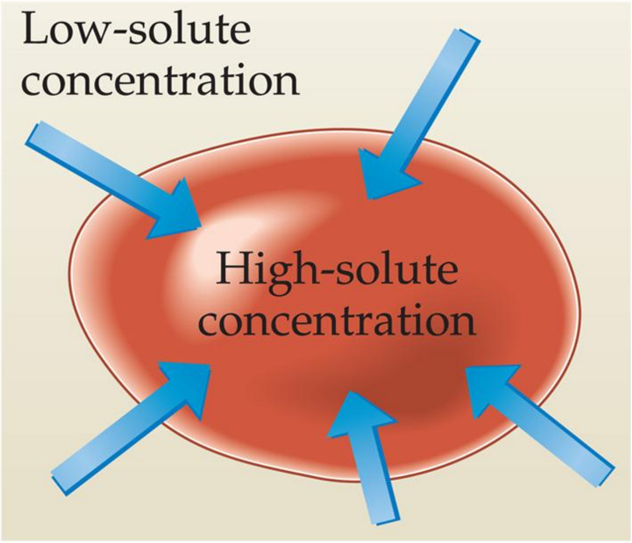
Osmosis in Cells

- If the solute concentration outside the cell is less than that inside the cell, the solution is hypotonic.
- Water will flow into the cell, and hemolysis results.



Colloids

Suspensions of particles larger than individual ions or molecules, but too small to be settled out by gravity are called **colloids**.

Phase of Colloid	Dispersing (solutelike) Substance	Dispersed (solventlike) Substance	Colloid Type	Example
Gas	Gas	Gas	—	None (all are solutions)
Gas	Gas	Liquid	Aerosol	Fog
Gas	Gas	Solid	Aerosol	Smoke
Liquid	Liquid	Gas	Foam	Whipped cream
Liquid	Liquid	Liquid	Emulsion	Milk
Liquid	Liquid	Solid	Sol	Paint
Solid	Solid	Gas	Solid foam	Marshmallow
Solid	Solid	Liquid	Solid emulsion	Butter
Solid	Solid	Solid	Solid sol	Ruby glass

Tyndall Effect

- Colloidal suspensions can scatter rays of light.
- This phenomenon is known as the Tyndall effect.

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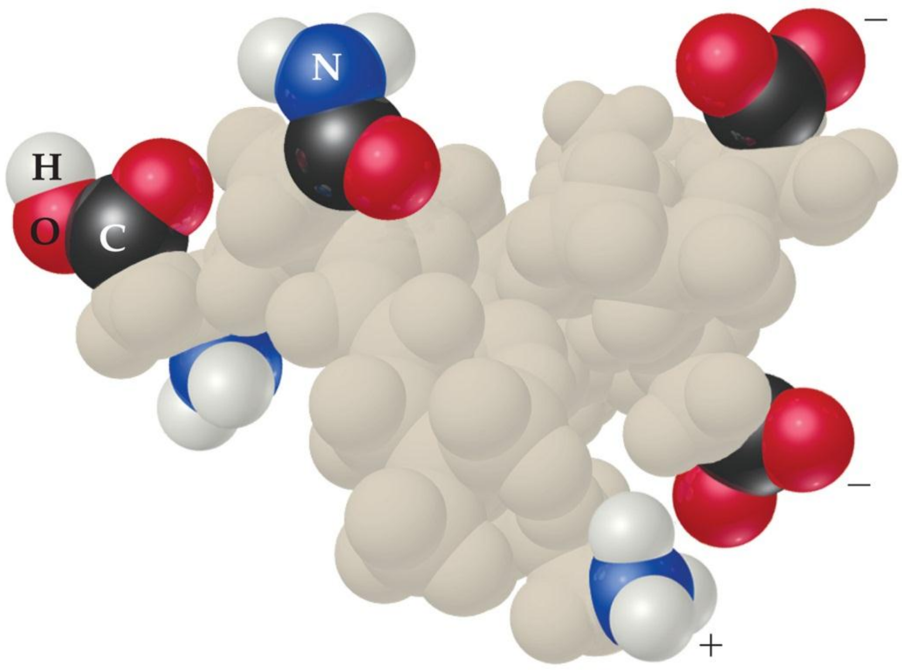
Colloids in Biological Systems

Some molecules have a polar, hydrophilic (*water-loving*) end and a non-polar, hydrophobic (*water-hating*) end.



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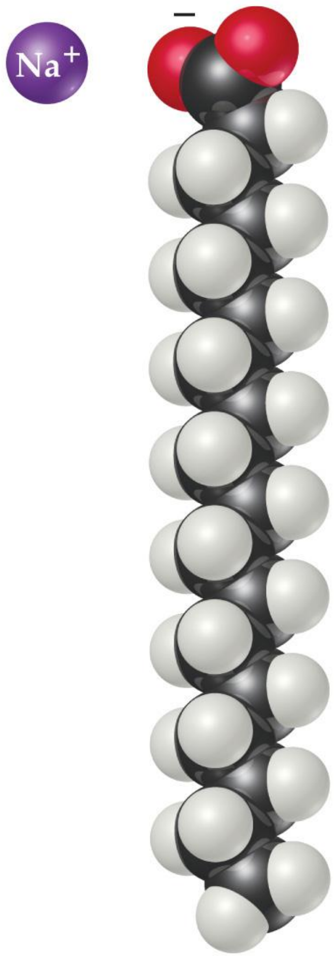

Sodium stearate

Sodium stearate is one example of such a molecule.

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Colloids in Biological Systems

These molecules can aid in the emulsification of fats and oils in aqueous solutions.