

# ***CHEM 103: Chemistry in Context***

*Unit 2.3*  
*Solution Chemistry*  
*(ionic solutions, acids & bases)*



# Water as a Solvent

**Mineral:** a naturally occurring element or compound with (usually) a definite chemical composition, and a crystalline structure formed as a result of geological processes

Water is a polar molecule, it is adept at dissolving charged species...

Minerals/salts **do not** dissolve the same way as sugars and organic molecules do...

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**Table 5.1**

**Mineral Composition of Tap Water, mg/L**

calcium	66	sulfates	42
magnesium	24	chlorides	48
sodium	18	nitrates	6
		fluorides	1

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**Table 5.2**

**Mineral Composition of Evian, mg/L**

calcium	78	bicarbonates	357
magnesium	24	sulfates	10
silica	14	chlorides	4
		nitrates	1

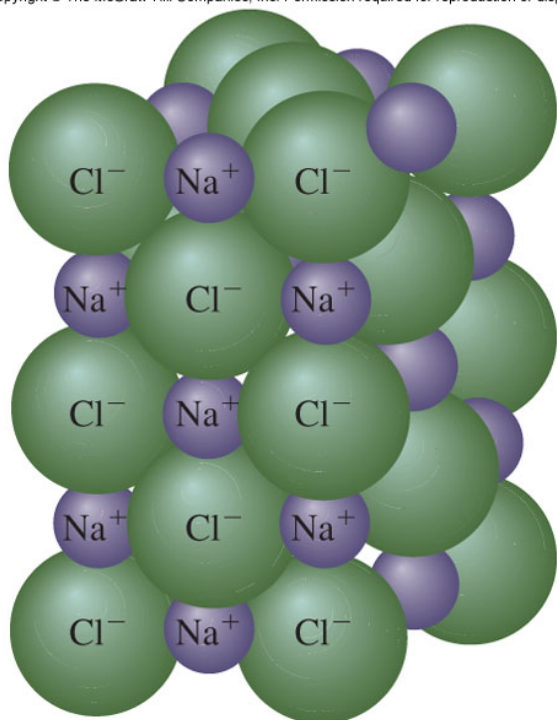
**Fort Collins Water, mg/L**

Ca <sup>2+</sup> , calcium	16.6	SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> , sulfate	12.7 (250)
Mg <sup>2+</sup> , magnesium	1.7	NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> , nitrate	<0.0002 (0.001)
Na <sup>+</sup> , sodium	2.8	F <sup>-</sup> , fluoride	0.99 (4)
Cl <sup>-</sup> , chloride	2.4	<i>(#) = max contaminant level (MCL)</i>	

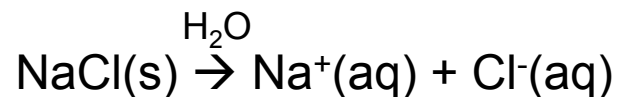
# Aqueous Solutions of Ionic Compounds

Table salt, aka sodium chloride (NaCl)  
alternating  $\text{Na}^+$  and  $\text{Cl}^-$  ions  
form an **ionic compound**

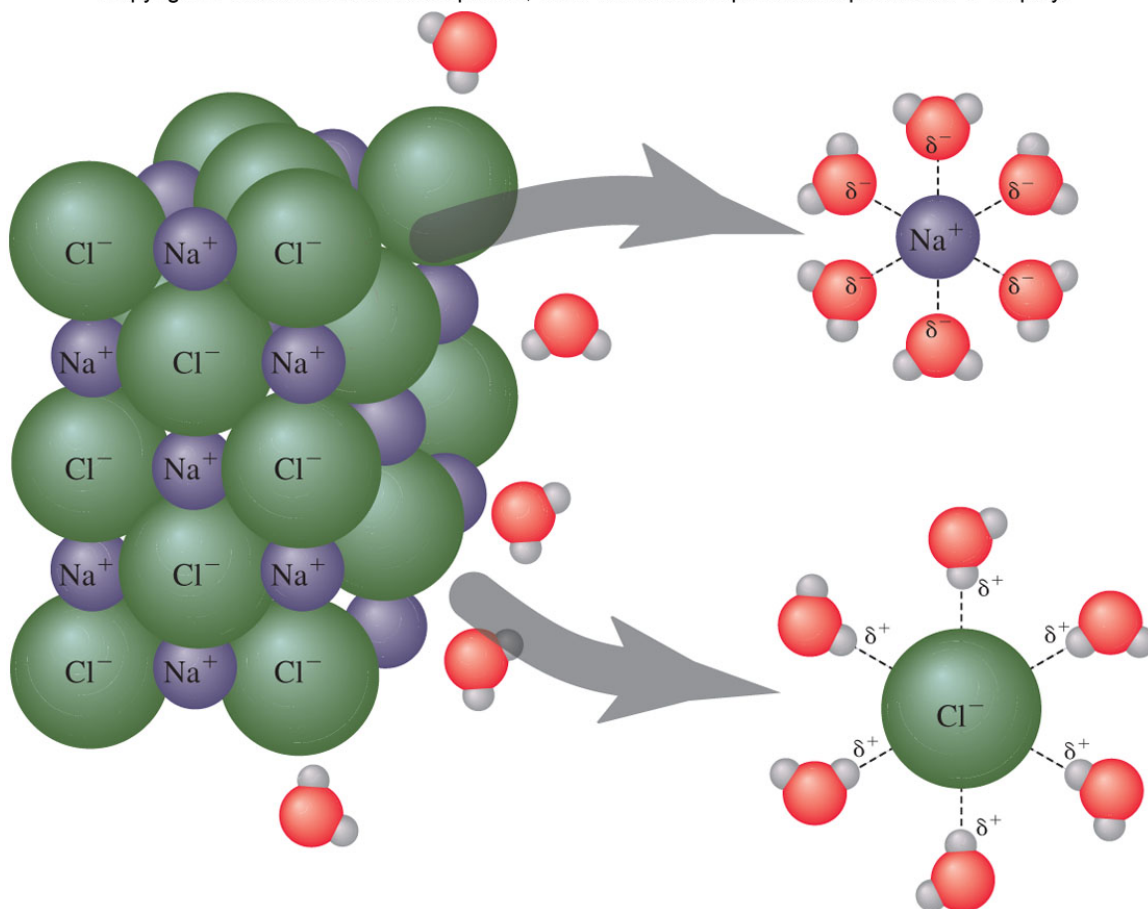
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Both “ends” of water participate in dissolving salt:



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# Ion Formation

(Some) elements can achieve noble gas configuration by losing or gaining electrons

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<b>Table 5.4      Electronic Bookkeeping for Cation Formation</b>		
<b>Sodium Atom</b>	<b>Sodium Ion</b>	<b>Neon Atom</b>
Na	Na <sup>+</sup>	Ne
11 protons	11 protons	10 protons
11 electrons	10 electrons	10 electrons
<i>Net charge: zero</i>	<i>Net charge: 1+</i>	<i>Net charge: zero</i>

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<b>Table 5.5      Electronic Bookkeeping for Anion Formation</b>		
<b>Chlorine Atom</b>	<b>Chloride Ion</b>	<b>Argon Atom</b>
Cl	Cl <sup>-</sup>	Ar
17 protons	17 protons	18 protons
17 electrons	18 electrons	18 electrons
<i>Net charge: zero</i>	<i>Net charge: 1-</i>	<i>Net charge: zero</i>

# Periodicity of Ion Formation

Lose 1

Lose 2

Lose 3

Gain 1

Gain 2

24

Cr

52.00

Atomic number

Atomic mass

1A	2A																	18A					
1 H 1.008	2 He 4.003																	18 Ar 39.95					
3 Li 6.941	4 Be 9.012																	5 B 10.81	6 C 12.01	7 N 14.01	8 O 16.00	9 F 19.00	10 Ne 20.18
11 Na 22.99	12 Mg 24.31	3B	4B	5B	6B	7B	8B		11B	12B	13 Al 26.98	14 Si 28.09	15 P 30.97	16 S 32.07	17 Cl 35.45	18 Ar 39.95							
19 K 39.10	20 Ca 40.08	21 Sc 44.96	22 Ti 47.88	23 V 50.94	24 Cr 52.00	25 Mn 54.94	26 Fe 55.85	27 Co 58.93	28 Ni 58.69	29 Cu 63.55	30 Zn 65.39	31 Ga 69.72	32 Ge 72.61	33 As 74.92	34 Se 78.96	35 Br 79.90	36 Kr 83.80						
37 Rb 85.47	38 Sr 87.62	39 Y 88.91	40 Zr 91.22	41 Nb 92.91	42 Mo 95.94	43 Tc (98)	44 Ru 101.1	45 Rh 102.9	46 Pd 106.4	47 Ag 107.9	48 Cd 112.4	49 In 114.8	50 Sn 118.7	51 Sb 121.8	52 Te 127.6	53 I 126.9	54 Xe 131.3						
55 Cs 132.9	56 Ba 137.3	57 La 138.9	72 Hf 178.5	73 Ta 180.9	74 W 183.9	75 Re 186.2	76 Os 190.2	77 Ir 192.2	78 Pt 195.1	79 Au 197.0	80 Hg 200.6	81 Tl 204.4	82 Pb 207.2	83 Bi 209.0	84 Po (210)	85 At (210)	86 Rn (222)						
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	Metals
	Metalloids
	Nonmetals

58 <b>Ce</b> 140.1	59 <b>Pr</b> 140.9	60 <b>Nd</b> 144.2	61 <b>Pm</b> (145)	62 <b>Sm</b> 150.4	63 <b>Eu</b> 152.0	64 <b>Gd</b> 157.3	65 <b>Tb</b> 158.9	66 <b>Dy</b> 162.5	67 <b>Ho</b> 164.9	68 <b>Er</b> 167.3	69 <b>Tm</b> 168.9	70 <b>Yb</b> 173.0	71 <b>Lu</b> 175.0
90 <b>Th</b> 232.0	91 <b>Pa</b> 231.0	92 <b>U</b> 238.0	93 <b>Np</b> (237)	94 <b>Pu</b> (244)	95 <b>Am</b> (243)	96 <b>Cm</b> (247)	97 <b>Bk</b> (247)	98 <b>Cf</b> (251)	99 <b>Es</b> (252)	100 <b>Fm</b> (257)	101 <b>Md</b> (258)	102 <b>No</b> (259)	103 <b>Lr</b> (262)

# Common Polyatomic Anions

Some ions made up of several atoms:

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<b>Table 5.6</b>		<b>Common Polyatomic Ions</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Formula</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Formula</b>
acetate	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2^-$	nitrite	$\text{NO}_2^-$
bicarbonate*	$\text{HCO}_3^-$	phosphate	$\text{PO}_4^{3-}$
carbonate	$\text{CO}_3^{2-}$	sulfate	$\text{SO}_4^{2-}$
hydroxide	$\text{OH}^-$	sulfite	$\text{SO}_3^{2-}$
hypochlorite	$\text{ClO}^-$	ammonium	$\text{NH}_4^+$
nitrate	$\text{NO}_3^-$		

\*Also called the hydrogen carbonate ion.

Formulas for ionic compounds balance charge (add up to zero):

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<b>Table 5.7</b>		<b>Formulas of Ionic Compounds with Polyatomic Ions</b>			
<b><i>Chemical Formula</i></b>		$\text{Al}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3$	$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{S}$	$\text{AlPO}_4$	$\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$
<b><i>Cation(s)</i></b>		$\text{Al}^{3+} \text{ Al}^{3+}$	$\text{NH}_4^+ \text{ NH}_4^+$	$\text{Al}^{3+}$	$\text{NH}_4^+$
<b><i>Anion(s)</i></b>		$\text{SO}_4^{2-} \text{ SO}_4^{2-} \text{ SO}_4^{2-}$	$\text{S}^{2-}$	$\text{PO}_4^{3-}$	$\text{Cl}^-$

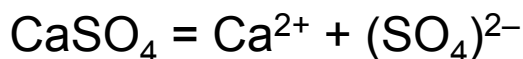
# Understanding Charge in Ionic Compounds

- Elements/groups with low EN tend to form cations; elements/groups with high EN tend to form anions
- For ionic compounds, remember that the overall compound has to be neutral—i.e. the total charges have to balance
- Examples

– Table salt:



– Calcium sulfate:



– Iron(III) oxide (aka rust):



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**Table 5.3**

**Electronegativity Values, Arranged  
by Group Number**

1A	2A	3A	4A	5A	6A	7A	8A
H 2.1							He —
Li 1.0	Be 1.5	B 2.0	C 2.5	N 3.0	O 3.5	F 4.0	Ne —
Na 0.9	Mg 1.2	Al 1.5	Si 1.8	P 2.1	S 2.5	Cl 3.0	Ar —

## (Aqueous) Solutions: Concentration Units

Important concentration units:

% (parts per hundred)

$$\text{ppm: } 1 \text{ ppm} = \frac{1 \text{ g solute}}{1 \times 10^6 \text{ g water}} \times \frac{1000 \text{ mg solute}}{1 \text{ g solute}} \times \frac{1000 \text{ g water}}{1 \text{ L water}} = \frac{1 \text{ mg solute}}{1 \text{ L water}}$$

$$\text{ppb: } 1 \text{ ppb} = \frac{1 \text{ g solute}}{1 \times 10^9 \text{ g water}} \times \frac{1 \times 10^6 \mu\text{g solute}}{1 \text{ g solute}} \times \frac{1000 \text{ g water}}{1 \text{ L water}} = \frac{1 \mu\text{g solute}}{1 \text{ L water}}$$

$$\text{Molarity (M): } \text{Molarity} = \frac{\text{moles of solute}}{\text{L of solution}}$$

## Mass / Mole

How many atoms are in 12 grams of C-12?

Need to use *unit conversion (factor-label method)* to get the answer:

$$\begin{array}{lcl} 1 \text{ amu} = 1.66 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g} & \rightarrow & \frac{1 \text{ amu}}{1.66 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}} \text{ or } \frac{1.66 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}}{1 \text{ amu}} \\ 1 \text{ atom C-12} = 12 \text{ amu} & & \frac{1 \text{ atom C-12}}{12 \text{ amu}} \text{ or } \frac{12 \text{ amu}}{1 \text{ atom C-12}} \end{array}$$

*ratios*

$$12 \text{ g C-12} \times \frac{1 \text{ amu}}{1.66 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}} \times \frac{1 \text{ atom C-12}}{12 \text{ amu}} = 6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ atoms C-12}$$



Avogadro's number

12 eggs = 1 dozen eggs

$6.02 \times 10^{23}$  eggs = 1 **mole** eggs

# The Periodic Table (mass numbers)

Elements are arranged in order of atomic number (# of protons) & in columns (groups) based on chemical properties

Note: the #s below the chemical symbols are **atomic masses**

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The 1–18 group designation has been recommended by the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) but is not yet in wide use. In this text we use the standard U.S. notation for group numbers (1A–8A and 1B–8B). No name has been assigned for element 112. Elements 113–118 have not yet been synthesized.



The following statements are consistent with the chemical equation above:

1 atom Carbon reacts with 1 molecule Oxygen to form 1 molecule carbon dioxide

12 atoms Carbon react with 12 molecules Oxygen to form 12 molecules carbon dioxide

1 dozen Carbon atoms react with 1 dozen Oxygen molecules to form 1 dozen carbon dioxide molecules

$6.02 \times 10^{23}$  Carbon atoms react with  $6.02 \times 10^{23}$  Oxygen molecules to form  $6.02 \times 10^{23}$  carbon dioxide molecules

1 mole Carbon atoms react with 1 mole Oxygen molecules to form 1 mole carbon dioxide molecules

How many grams of  $\text{CO}_2$  are formed from 10 g of Carbon?

1 mole (mol) Carbon = 12.01 g

1 mol Oxygen ( $\text{O}_2$ ) = 2 mol Oxygen atoms

1 mol Oxygen ( $\text{O}_2$ ) =  $2 \times 16.00 \text{ g} = 32.00 \text{ g}$

1 mol  $\text{CO}_2$  = 1 mol C + 2 mol O

$$= \left( 1 \text{ mol C} \times \frac{12.01 \text{ g C}}{1 \text{ mol C}} \right) + \left( 2 \text{ mol O} \times \frac{16.00 \text{ g O}}{1 \text{ mol O}} \right)$$

$$= 12.01 \text{ g C} + 32.0 \text{ g O}$$

1 mol  $\text{CO}_2$  = 44.01 g  $\text{CO}_2$

12 g Carbon reacts with 32 g Oxygen to form 44 g carbon dioxide

The C-to- $\text{CO}_2$  ratio in  $\text{CO}_2$  is  $\frac{12.01 \text{ g C}}{44.01 \text{ g CO}_2}$

$$100.0 \text{ g CO}_2 \times \frac{12.01 \text{ g C}}{44.01 \text{ g CO}_2} = 27.29 \text{ g C}$$

the mass % of C in  $\text{CO}_2$  is 27.29%

$$10 \text{ g Carbon} \times \frac{1 \text{ mole Carbon}}{12.01 \text{ g Carbon}} \times \frac{1 \text{ mole CO}_2}{1 \text{ mole Carbon}} \times \frac{44.01 \text{ g CO}_2}{1 \text{ mole CO}_2} = 37 \text{ g CO}_2$$

# Molarity (M)

$$\text{Molarity} = \frac{\text{moles of solute}}{\text{L of solution}}$$

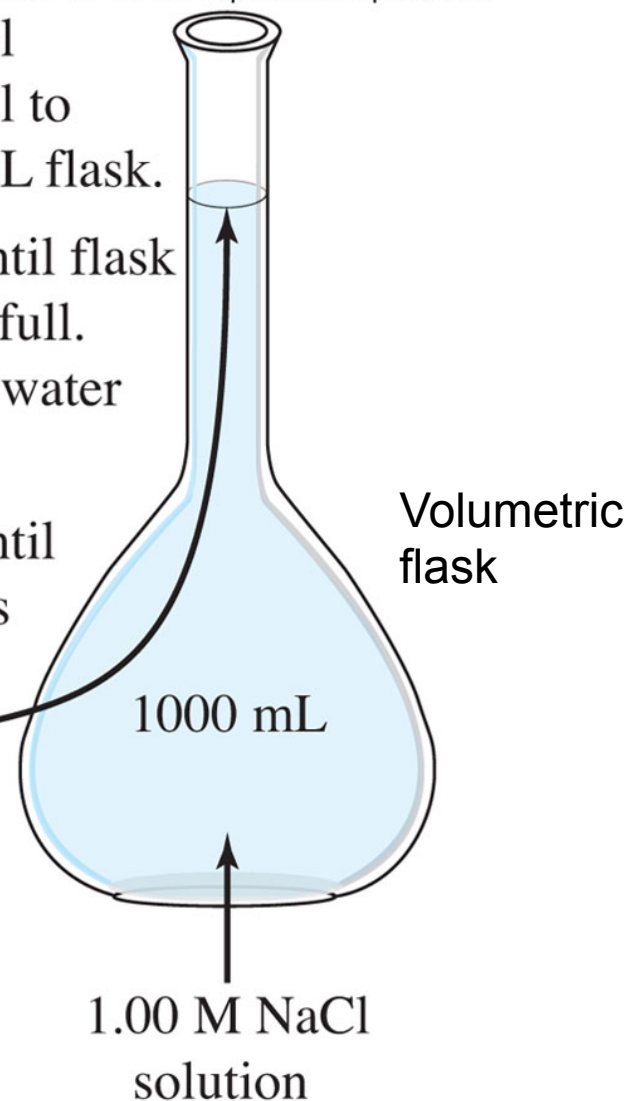
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1. Add 1.00 mol  
(58.5 g) NaCl to  
empty 1.000 L flask.

2. Add water until flask  
is about half full.  
Swirl to mix water  
and NaCl.

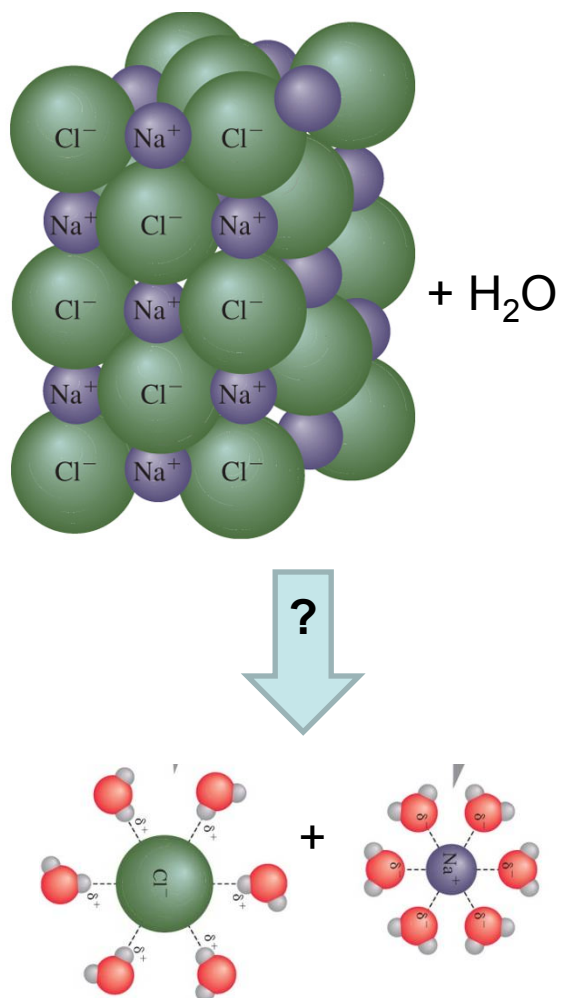
3. Add water until  
liquid level is  
even with  
1000 mL  
mark.

4. Stopper and  
mix well.



# Solubility of Ionic Compounds in Water

Competition: electrostatics in the ionic crystal versus interactions with a large number of water molecules...



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**Table 5.8** Water Solubility of Ionic Compounds

Ions	Solubility of Compounds	Solubility Exceptions	Examples
sodium, potassium, and ammonium	All soluble	None	NaNO <sub>3</sub> is soluble KBr is soluble
nitrates	All soluble	None	LiNO <sub>3</sub> is soluble Mg(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> is soluble
chlorides	Most soluble	Silver and some mercury chlorides	MgCl <sub>2</sub> is soluble AgCl is insoluble
sulfates	Most soluble	Strontium, barium, and lead sulfate	K <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> is soluble BaSO <sub>4</sub> is insoluble
carbonates	Mostly insoluble*	Group IA and NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> carbonates are soluble	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> is soluble CaCO <sub>3</sub> is insoluble
hydroxides and sulfides	Mostly insoluble*	Group IA and NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> hydroxides and sulfides are soluble	KOH is soluble Al(OH) <sub>3</sub> is insoluble

\*Insoluble means that the compounds have extremely low solubilities in water (less than 0.01 M). All ionic compounds have at least a very small solubility in water.

**Table 5.9**

**Environmental Consequences of Solubility**

Source	Ions	Solubility and Consequences
Salt deposits	sodium and potassium halides*	These salts are soluble. Over time, they dissolve from the land and wash into the sea. Thus, oceans are salty and sea water cannot be used for drinking without expensive purification.
Agricultural fertilizers	nitrates	All nitrates are soluble. The runoff from fertilized fields carries nitrates into surface and groundwater. Nitrates are toxic, especially for infants.
Metal ores	sulfides and oxides	Most sulfides and oxides are insoluble. Minerals containing iron, copper, and zinc are often sulfides and oxides. If these minerals had been soluble in water, they would have washed out to sea long ago.
Mining waste	mercury, lead	Most mercury and lead compounds are classed as insoluble. However, they are leached slowly from waste piles into rivers and lakes where they contaminate water supplies.

\*Halides are the anions in Group 7A, such as  $\text{Cl}^-$  and  $\text{I}^-$ .

# (Drinking) Water Sources

How much water is there in the world?

$3.7 \times 10^{20}$  gallons,  $1.4 \times 10^{21}$  kg

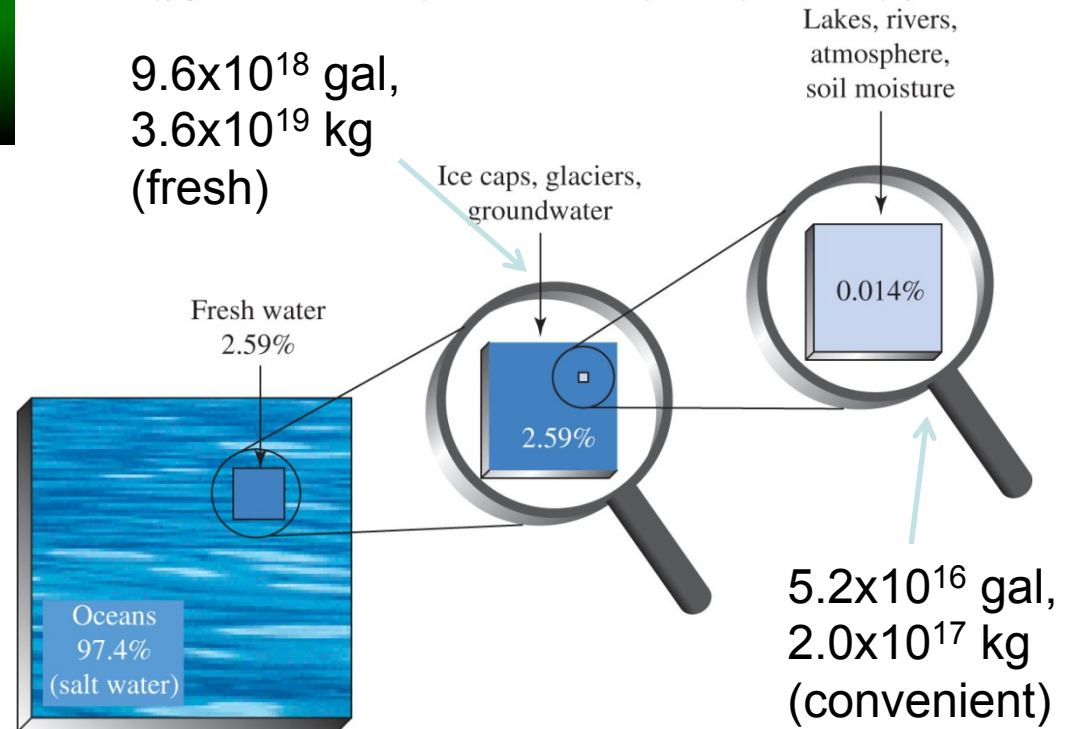
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Ogallala Aquifer

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$9.6 \times 10^{18}$  gal,  
 $3.6 \times 10^{19}$  kg  
(fresh)



**Surface water:** lakes, rivers, reservoirs  
drinking H<sub>2</sub>O source for most major cities

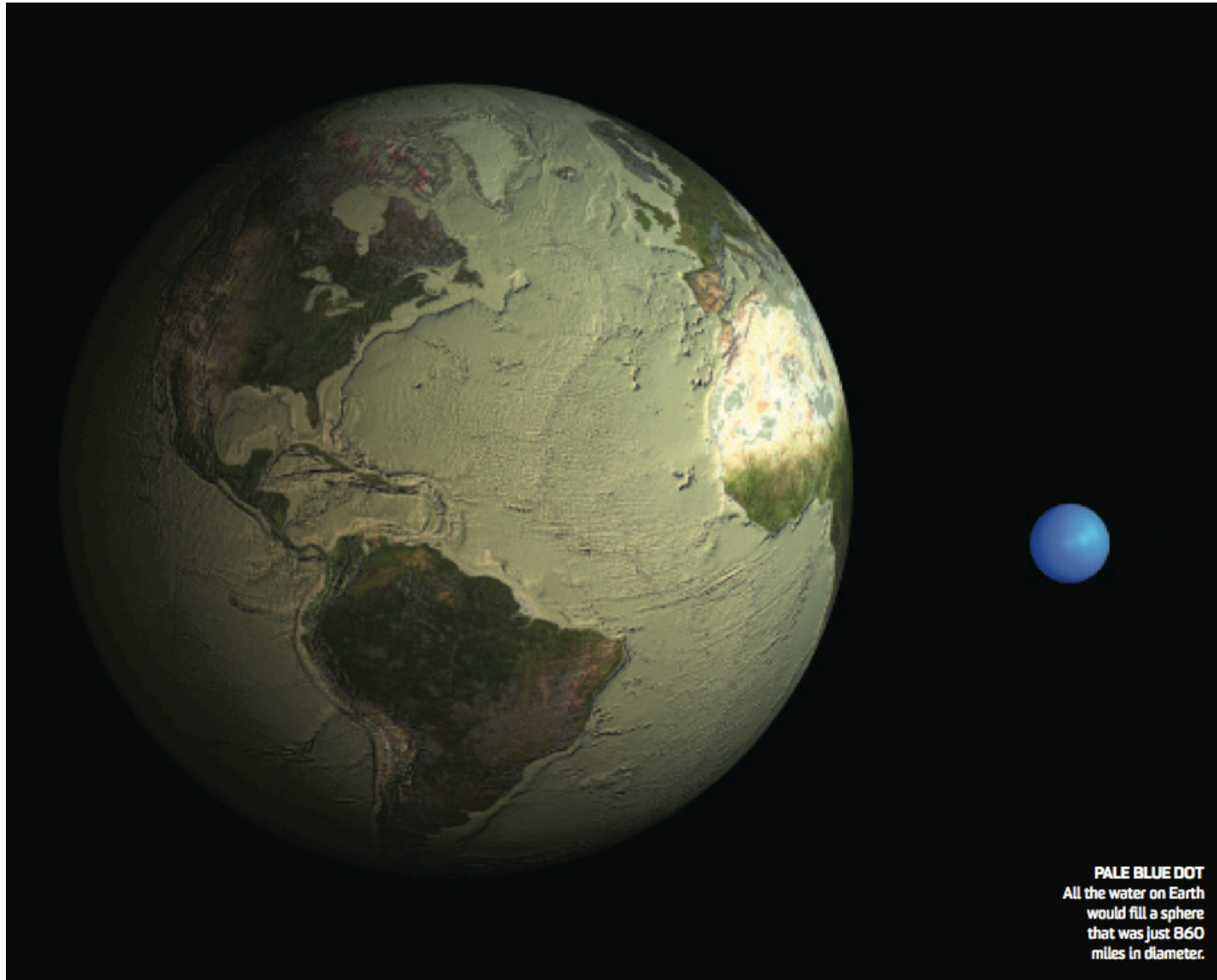
**Ground water:** aquifers  
drinking H<sub>2</sub>O source for most rural areas

US water usage ( $10^9$  gallons/day) in 2000:

194 thermal electric power, 137 irrigation  
43 domestic, 19 industrial, 14 miscellaneous

# World's Water

Elizabeth Royte  
POPULAR SCIENCE  
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The 750Gt Carbon in the atmosphere would fill a sphere  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile in diameter as a liquid<sup>16</sup>

# Protecting our Drinking Water

Maximum contaminant level goal (**MCLG**):

maximum level of a contaminant in drinking water at which there is no known adverse effect on humans

Maximum contaminant level (**MCL**):

sets the legal limit for concentration of a contaminant

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**Table 5.10**

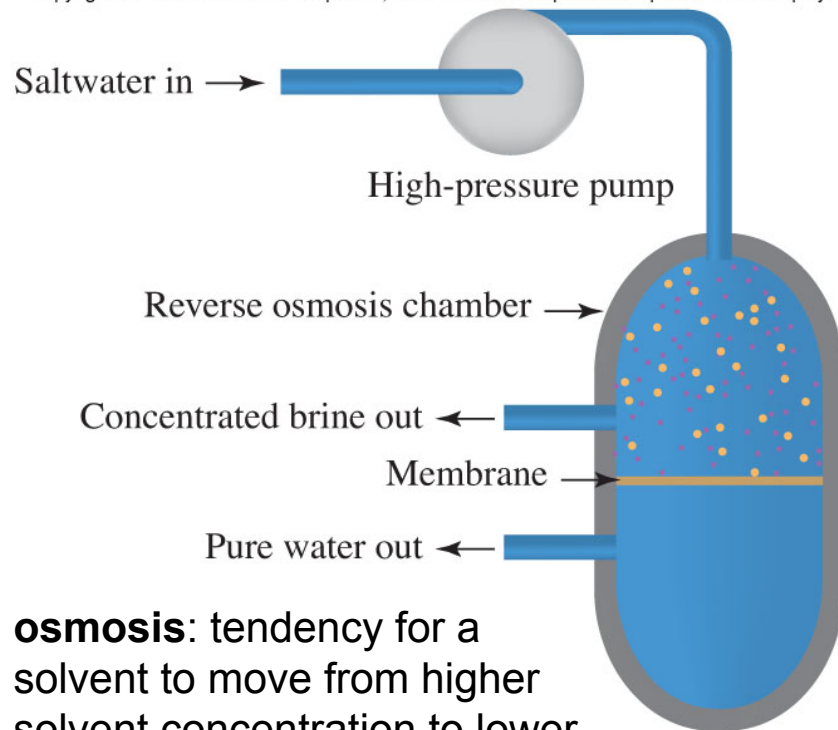
**MCLGs and MCLs (in ppm) for Drinking Water**

Pollutant	MCLG	MCL
cadmium ( $\text{Cd}^{2+}$ )	0.005	0.005
chromium ( $\text{Cr}^{3+}$ , $\text{CrO}_4^{2-}$ )	0.1	0.1
lead ( $\text{Pb}^{2+}$ )	0	0.015
mercury ( $\text{Hg}^{2+}$ )	0.002	0.002
nitrate ( $\text{NO}_3^-$ )	10	10
benzene ( $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6$ )	0	0.005
trihalomethanes ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ , etc.)	0	0.080

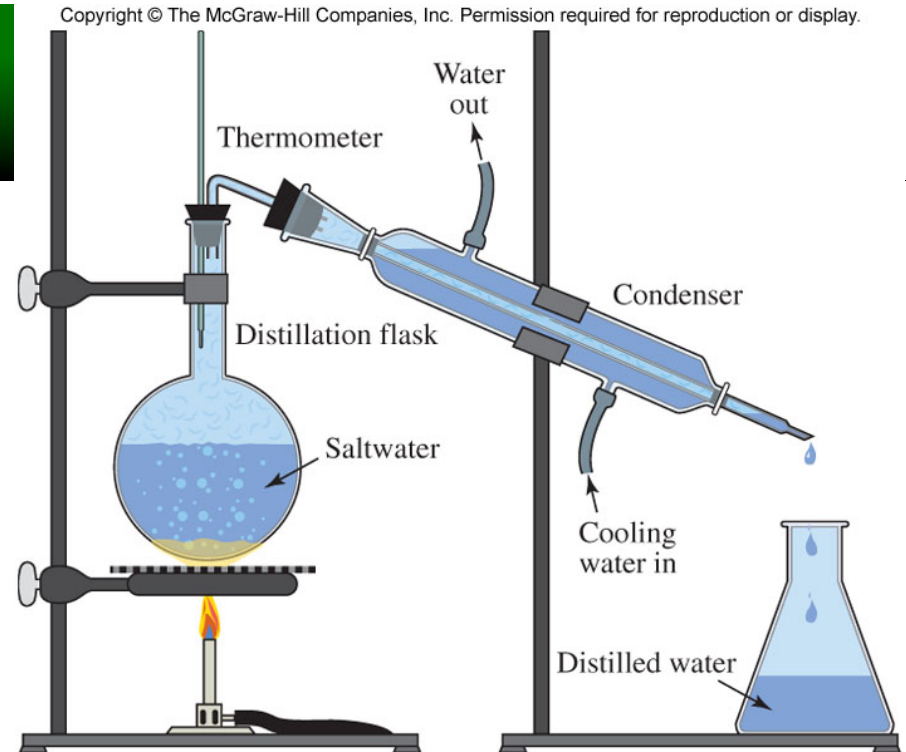
# Desalination

Most (~98%) water is salt water. Water can be **desalinated** by **reverse osmosis** or **distillation** (but both require energy)

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**osmosis:** tendency for a solvent to move from higher solvent concentration to lower solvent concentration (why you can't live on seawater)



0.31 kJ/g to heat H<sub>2</sub>O from 25°C to 100°C

2.26 kJ/g to boil H<sub>2</sub>O

How much energy to distill 1 gallon of H<sub>2</sub>O?  
(need to break H-bonds)

$$1 \text{ gallon} \times \frac{3.785 \text{ L}}{1 \text{ gallon}} \times \frac{1000 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ L}} \times \frac{2.57 \text{ kJ}}{1 \text{ g}} = 9.7 \times 10^3 \text{ kJ}$$

43 × 10<sup>9</sup> gal/day for domestic use (USA)

$$43 \times 10^9 \text{ gallons/day} \times \frac{9.7 \times 10^3 \text{ kJ}}{1 \text{ gallon}} \times \frac{365 \text{ days}}{1 \text{ year}} = 1.52 \times 10^{15} \text{ kJ/year}$$

**=1.52 EJ/year (the total US annual energy use is 100 EJ/year)**