Chapter 1: Matter in Our Surroundings

1. Definition of Matter

• Matter is anything that has **mass** and occupies **space**. Everything around us – air, water, books, even our body – is made of matter.

2. Physical Nature of Matter

- Matter is made up of **particles**.
- Particles of matter are very small and have space between them.
- They are **constantly moving** and have **force of attraction** between them.

3. Characteristics of Particles of Matter

- They have space between them (inter-particle space).
- They are continuously moving (kinetic energy).
- They attract each other (inter-particle attraction).

4. States of Matter

- There are **three main states**:
 - Solid
 - Liquid
 - Gas

5. Solids

- Fixed shape and volume.
- Particles are **tightly packed** and vibrate in fixed positions.
- Strong intermolecular force and negligible compressibility.

6. Liquids

- No fixed shape but have **fixed volume**.
- Particles are **less tightly packed** and can move around.
- Moderate intermolecular forces and slight compressibility.

7. Gases

• Neither fixed shape nor volume.

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- Particles are **far apart** and move freely.
- Weak intermolecular forces and high compressibility.

Change in State of Matter

- Matter can change from one state to another by changing temperature or pressure.
- Examples:
 - Ice (solid) melts to water (liquid).
 - Water boils to become steam (gas).

12. Melting and Melting Point

- **Melting** is the change from solid to liquid.
- Melting Point: The temperature at which this change occurs (for ice, it's 0°C).

13. Boiling and Boiling Point

- **Boiling** is the change from liquid to gas.
- **Boiling Point**: The temperature at which a liquid boils (for water, it's 100°C at normal pressure).

14. Latent Heat

- Heat energy required to change the state without changing temperature.
 - Latent Heat of Fusion: Solid \rightarrow Liquid.
 - \circ Latent Heat of Vaporization: Liquid \rightarrow Gas.

15. Sublimation

- Direct change from solid to gas and vice versa.
- Substances like **camphor**, **naphthalene**, **and dry ice** show sublimation.

16. Evaporation

• Surface phenomenon where liquid changes to gas **below boiling point**.

• Example: Wet clothes drying in the sun.

17. Factors Affecting Evaporation

- **Temperature**: Higher temp = faster evaporation.
- **Surface Area**: Larger area = more evaporation.
- Wind Speed: Higher speed = faster evaporation.
- **Humidity**: Less humidity = more evaporation.

18. Evaporation Causes Cooling

- As particles leave the surface, they take away **heat energy**, cooling the remaining substance.
- Example: Sweating cools the body.

19. Effect of Pressure on State

- Increasing pressure can bring gas molecules closer, changing them to liquid.
- This is how liquefied gases like LPG are stored.

20. Uses in Daily Life

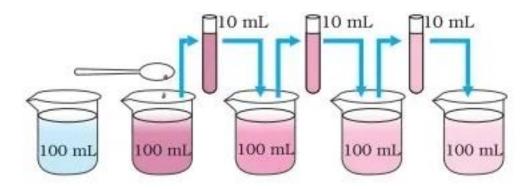
- Refrigerators use evaporation cooling.
- Sublimation is used in **air fresheners**.
- Pressure-based liquefaction is used in **gas cylinders**.

Activity 1: Demonstration of Diffusion in Liquids

Aim: To show that particles of matter are constantly moving.

Materials:

- A glass beaker
- Water
- Few crystals of potassium permanganate (KMnO₄)



- 1. Fill the beaker with water.
- 2. Gently add crystals of KMnO₄ without stirring.
- 3. Observe the water slowly turning purple.
- 4. Keep diluting the solution like these 5 to 8 times

Conclusion:

• The color spreads on its own, showing **diffusion** due to particle movement.

Activity 2: Demonstration of Diffusion in Gases

Aim: To show diffusion in gases.

Materials:

- Incense stick (agarbatti) or perfume
- A closed room



- 1. Light an incense stick or spray perfume in one corner.
- 2. Wait and see how the smell spreads across the room.

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Conclusion:

• Particles of gas move freely and mix – showing **diffusion** in gases.

Activity 3: Change of State by Heating (Melting Ice)

Aim: To observe how solids melt into liquids.

Materials:

- Ice cubes
- Beaker
- Thermometer
- Tripod stand, burner (optional)

Procedure:

- 1. Put ice in a beaker and insert a thermometer.
- 2. Heat gently or let it sit at room temperature.
- 3. Note the temperature when ice starts melting.

Conclusion:

• The temperature remains constant during melting – shows latent heat of fusion.

Activity 4: Boiling of Water

Aim: To study boiling and latent heat of vaporization.

Materials:

- Water
- Beaker
- Thermometer
- Burner or stove

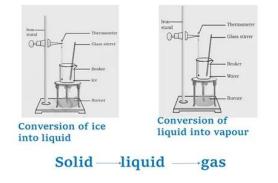
- 1. Heat water in a beaker and insert the thermometer.
- 2. Note when water starts to boil (bubbles appear).

3. Observe the temperature during boiling.

Conclusion:

• Temperature stays constant at 100°C while water turns to steam – boiling point and latent heat of vaporization.

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Activity 5: Demonstrating Sublimation

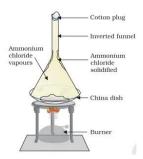
Aim: To observe sublimation – solid to gas.

Materials:

- Camphor or naphthalene balls
- China dish
- Inverted funnel
- Cotton

- 1. Place camphor in a china dish.
- 2. Cover with an inverted funnel and plug the stem with cotton.
- 3. Heat gently and observe.

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Conclusion:

• Camphor directly changes into gas – sublimation.

Activity 6: Evaporation and Cooling Effect

Aim: To show that evaporation causes cooling.

Materials:

- Water
- Cotton or cloth strip
- Spirit (optional)

Procedure:

- 1. Dip cloth in water or spirit and wrap around your wrist.
- 2. Wave your hand or blow air.

Conclusion:

• You feel cool – due to evaporation removing heat from your skin.