

# TOPICS FOR TODAY'S CLASS:

- Global Change in the News!
- Review the basics of **MATTER**

## COURSE LOGISTICS:

- **ASSIGNMENT** review / overview
- Try out your **clickers!**

**GLOBAL  
CHANGE  
IN THE NEWS !!**

# HURRICANE ISAAC

(today is the 7-year anniversary of  
Hurricane Katrina!)



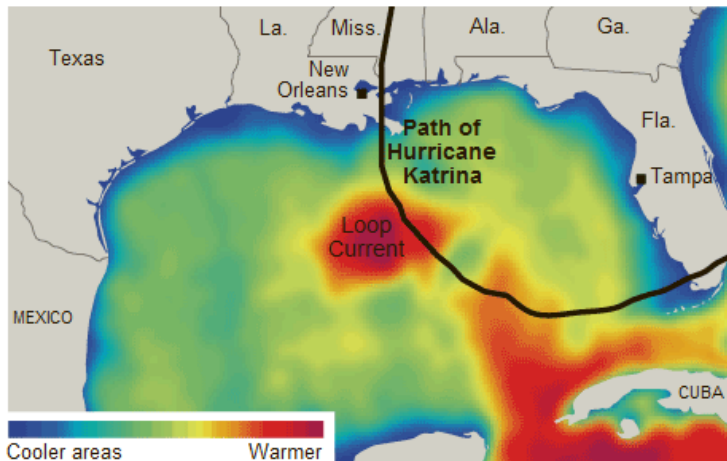
<http://www.nytimes.com/slideshow/2012/08/29/us/20120830-STORM-2.html>

# KATRINA Landfall Aug 29 2005

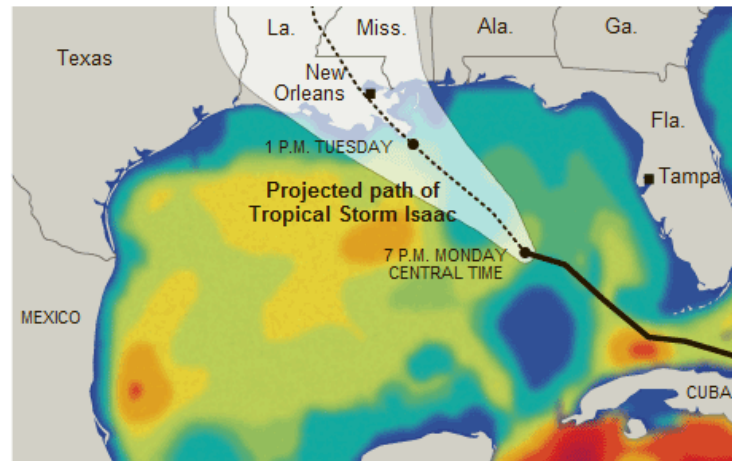


# ISAAC Landfall Aug 28 2012

<http://www.hlnv.com/article/2012/08/27/katrina-isaac>



**Katrina** was already powerful when it reached the Gulf of Mexico. It was energized by passing directly over the band of deep, warm water known as the Loop Current. Unlike many storms, it was not impeded by the changing wind currents known as wind shear. Katrina hit the coast as a Category 3 hurricane with 145-mile-an-hour winds.



**Isaac** is not as large or as powerful as Katrina, and its growth has been slowed by wind shear on its southwest side. The Loop Current is farther west this year and should have little effect. Isaac is expected to slow down, which would mean less wind damage but greater potential for flooding. It is forecast to make landfall as a Category 2 storm.

<http://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2012/08/28/us/isaac-follows-a-familiar-path-but-with-less-intensity.html>



## Hurricane Isaac Makes Landfall Along Gulf Coast



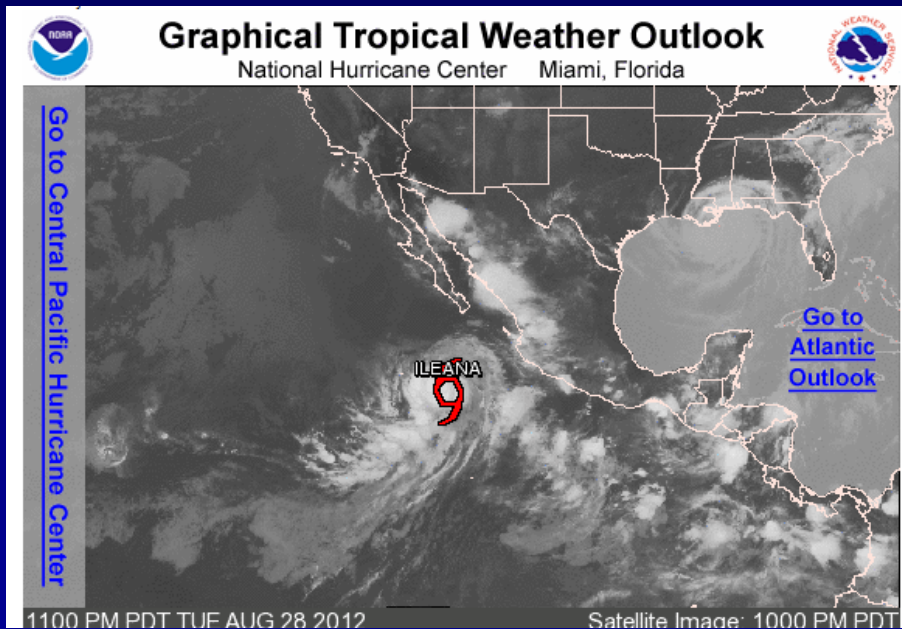
Jeff Haller for The New York Times



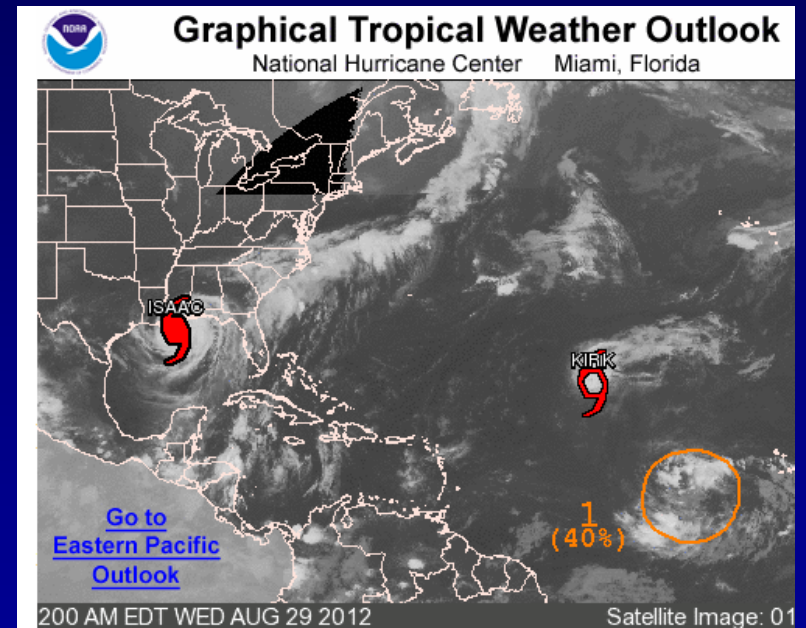
William Widmer for The New York Times

# The “I-Storms”

## TS Ileana (in Eastern Pacific)



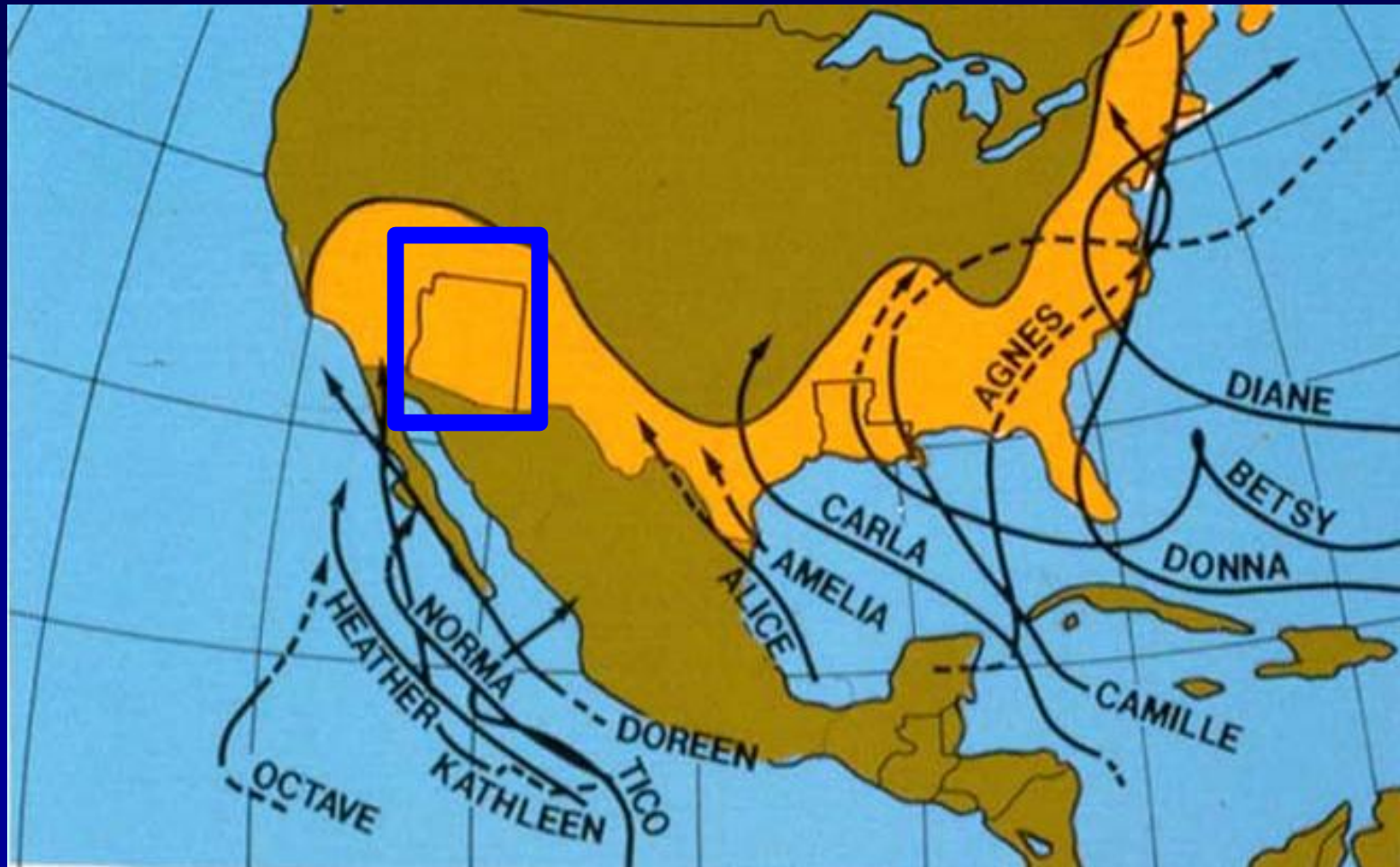
## Hurricane Isaac (in Atlantic)



followed by  
**TS Kirk**



# IMPORTANT FLOOD-PRODUCING TROPICAL STORMS & HURICANES

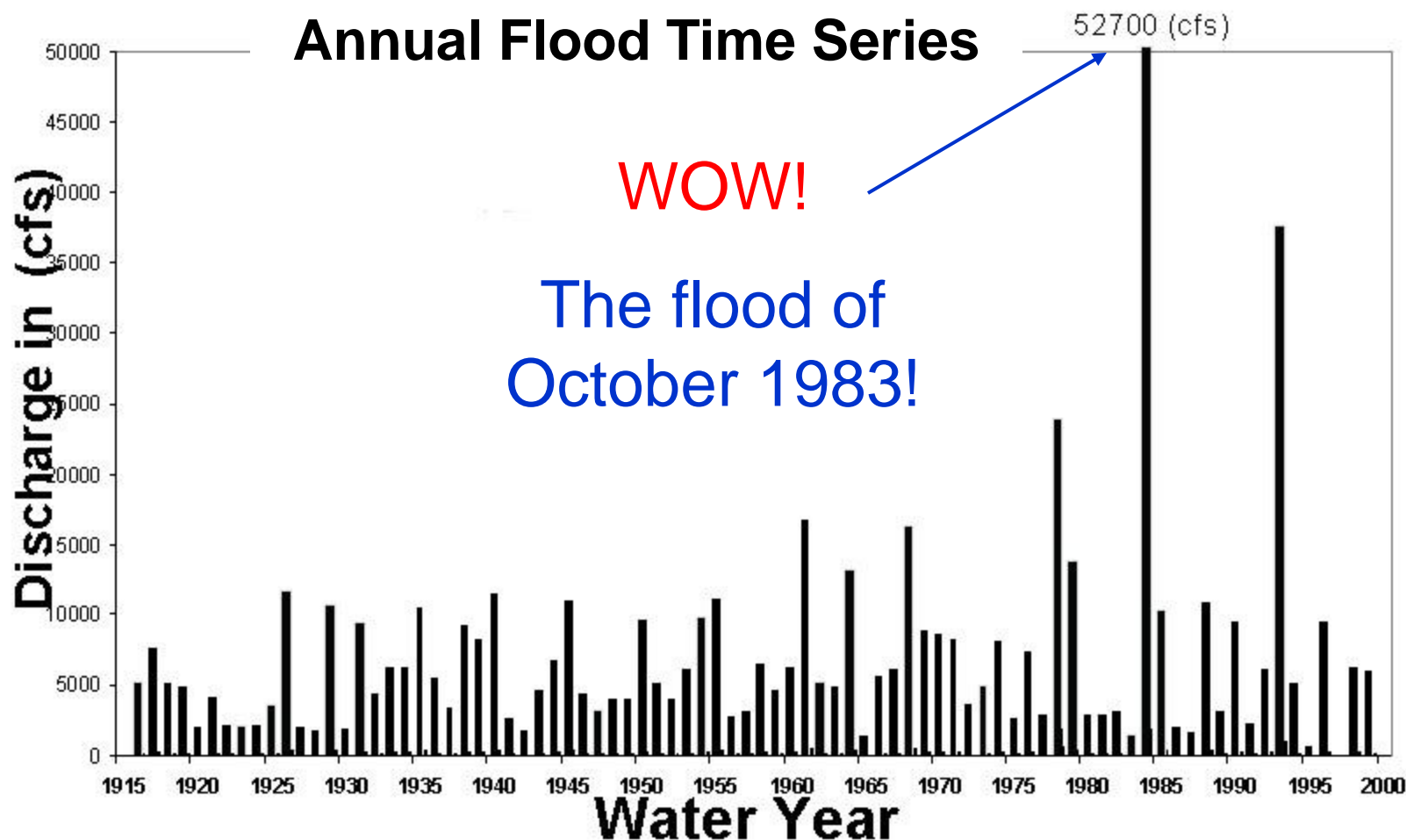


AREA RECEIVING SUBSTANTIAL TROPICAL STORM RAINFALL

# A Time Series CLOSE TO HOME!

## Santa Cruz at Tucson Annual Peak

### Annual Flood Time Series



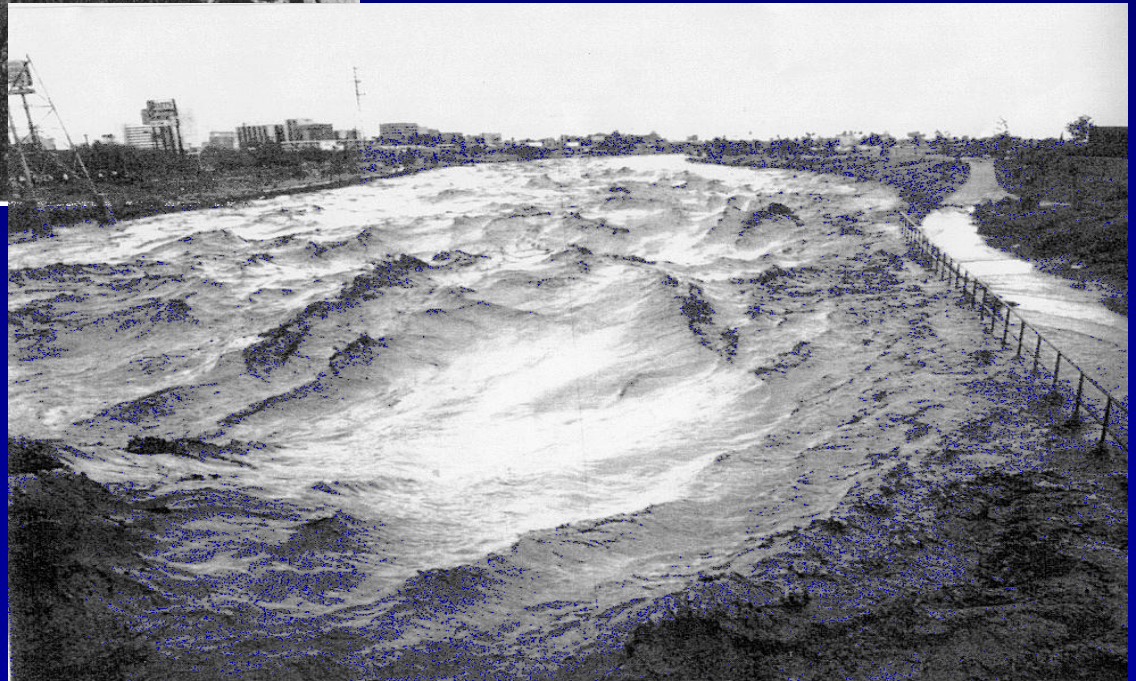


## Santa Cruz River, Tucson



Typical dry river bed or  
minor trickle of stream  
flow

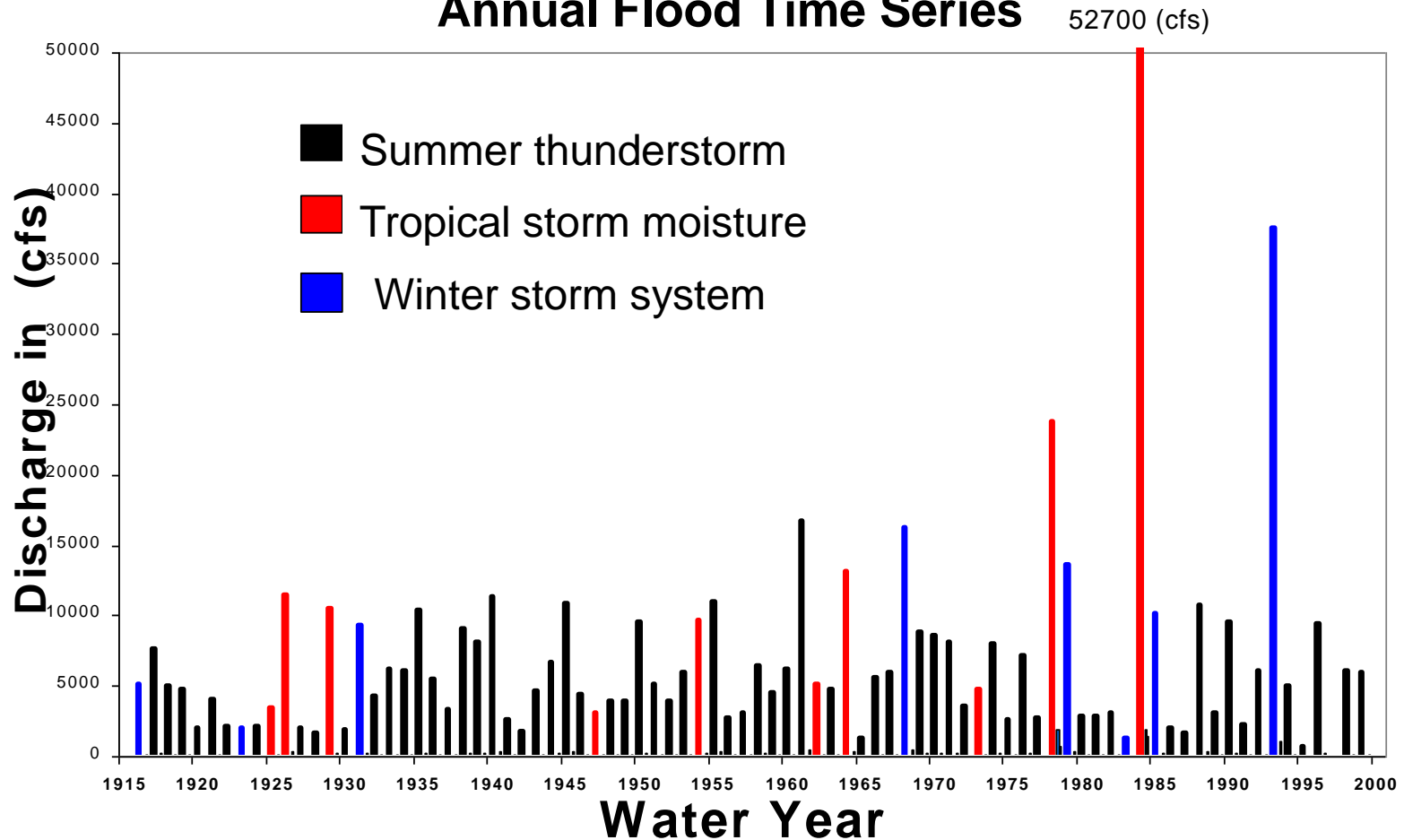
**The record  
flood of  
October  
1983!**



Some of Dr H's research . . . .

## What kind of storms caused each flood?

### Santa Cruz at Tucson Annual Flood Time Series



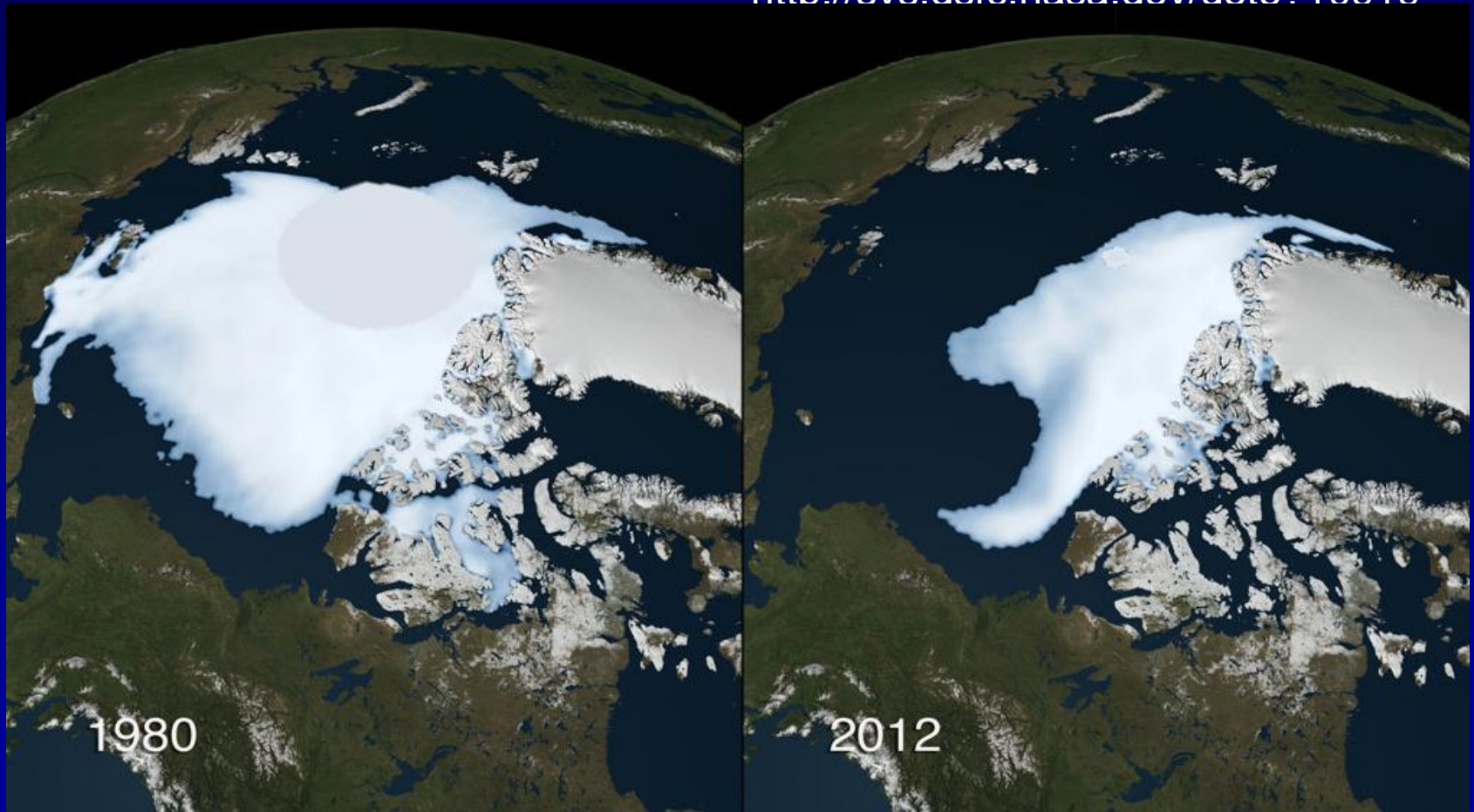
**27 August 2012**

## **Arctic Sea Ice Hits New and Early Summer Low for Satellite Era**

The area covered by older and thicker sea ice in the Arctic diminished by almost 50 percent between 1980 and 2012.

Webpage source:

<http://svs.gsfc.nasa.gov/aoto?10919>



[http://svs.gsfc.nasa.gov/vis/a010000/a010900/a010919/3915\\_music-540-MASTER\\_high.mp4](http://svs.gsfc.nasa.gov/vis/a010000/a010900/a010919/3915_music-540-MASTER_high.mp4)



AUGUST 28, 2012

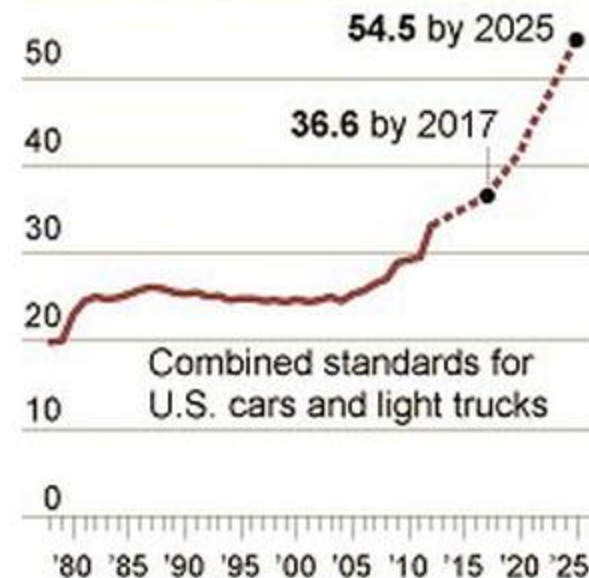
## U.S. Sets Higher Fuel Efficiency Standards



A Chevrolet Volt electric vehicle, front. Consumers so far have been slow to buy electric cars.

### New Goals in Fuel Economy

60 miles per gallon average fleetwide


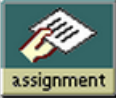










Source: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration



# ASSIGNMENT REVIEW / OVERVIEW

IN  
CLASS

GROUP ASSIGNMENTS <i>(In-Class Activities)</i>		INDIVIDUAL ASSIGNMENTS <i>(Short Writing Assignments)</i>	
	<b>G-1 Understanding Absorption Curves</b>		<b>I-1 Climate Science Basics</b> Lesson 1 CO <sub>2</sub> & the GH Effect
	<b>G-2 Energy Efficiency</b>		<b>I-2 Climate Science Basics</b> Lesson 2 Mother Nature's Influence
	<b>G-3 Tree-Ring Activity</b> Parts I & II		<b>I-3 Climate Science Basics</b> Lesson 3 Observable Changes
	<b>G-4 Applying the Energy Balance Terms</b>		<b>I-4 Climate Science Basics</b> Lesson 4 Intro to Climate Modeling
	<b>G-5 Volcanism &amp; Climate</b>		<b>I-5 Class "Climate Action Debate" Preparation</b>

WE'LL  
BEGIN IN  
NEXT  
FEW  
WEEKS

# LINKING-TO-LIFE PROJECT

*(Individual Term Project in 4 Parts)*

## OVERVIEW OF THE TERM PROJECT

*(read this overview first)*



### Part A Your Ecological Footprint

*due in the D2L dropbox Friday Aug 31st  
no later than 30 minutes before class*



**DUE FRIDAY!**



### **Part B Thinking More Deeply**



**WILL BE  
ASSIGNED THIS  
FRIDAY &  
Due Sep 10th**



### **Part C Film Review Discussion Posts**



### **Part D Final Project Report**

## CLICKER START UP:

- 1) Remove plastic strip (if you haven't yet)
- 2) Press any key to turn it on
- 3) Select Menu: Change Channel? **Y**
- 4) Press #'s for Channel **41**
- 5) Hit **ENTER** / then hit Menu a couple times
- 6) Be sure you are in **Presentation Mode & Channel 41** / wait for screen to go blank

**YOU ARE READY TO BEGIN!**

Q1. I am a . . .

1 - FRESHMAN

2 - SOPHOMORE

3- JUNIOR

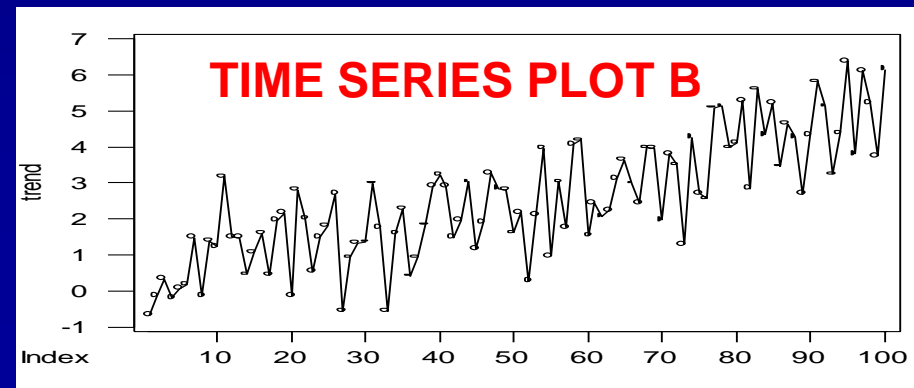
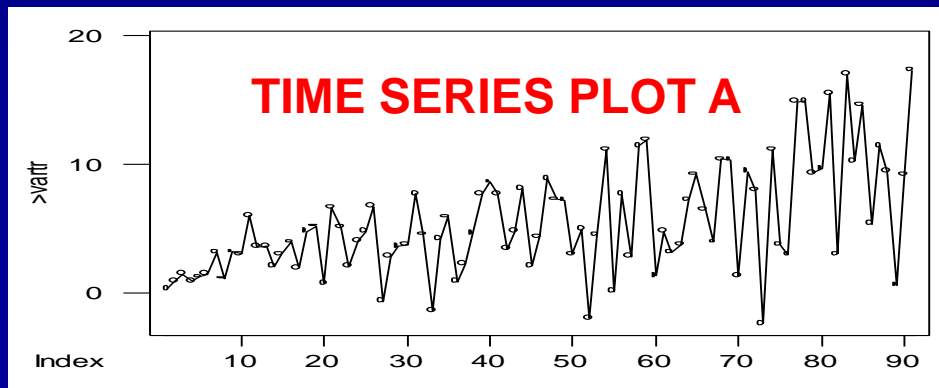
4 – SENIOR

5 - OTHER



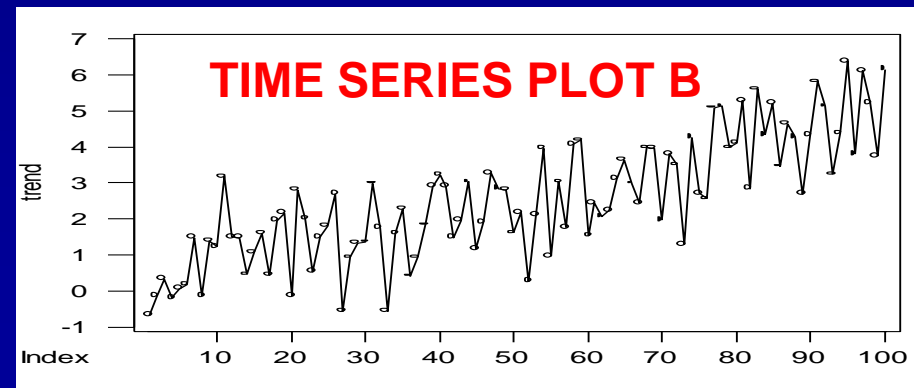
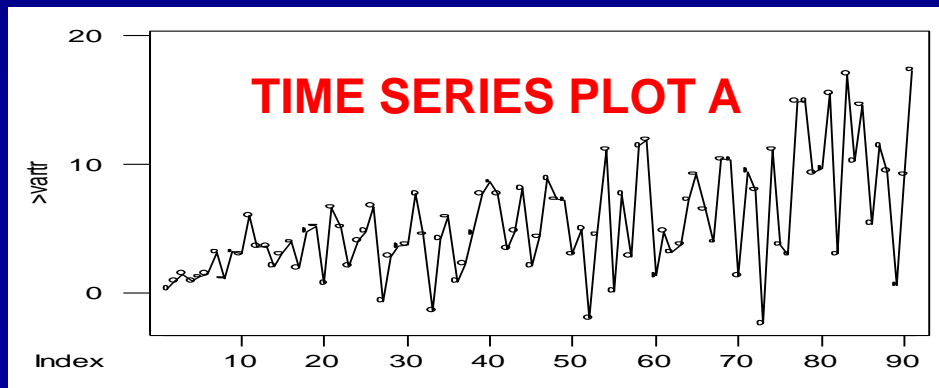
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# **Topic #4**

## **ENERGY & MATTER**

### **OVERVIEW – PART I**

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

**To review basic physical concepts of energy and matter and some key ways in which they interact.**

*“Science shows us that the visible world is neither matter nor spirit;*

*the visible world is the **invisible organization of energy.**”*

Heinz R. Pagels (b. 1939), U.S. Physicist



# QUICK MATTER REVIEW

## **Matter:**

Whatever occupies space  
& is perceptible to the senses;  
made up of atoms; matter can  
be in form of solids, liquids, or  
gases

## Atom:



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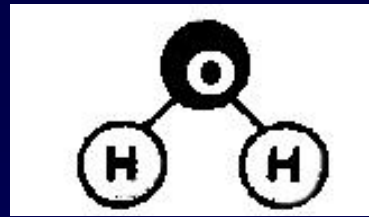
- Fundamental building blocks for all matter
- the smallest representative sample of an **element**.

## Element:

A chemical substance (material) made from a single type of atom that cannot be broken down any further – and still maintain its identity as that element

... as in the ***Periodic Table of the Elements***

## Molecule:



- Any collection of **two or more atoms bound together**
- a cluster of atoms bound together

*MOLECULES are the basic constituent of different kinds of materials.*

- the smallest part of any substance that **has all the chemical properties of the substance**

e.g., a water molecule = H<sub>2</sub>O



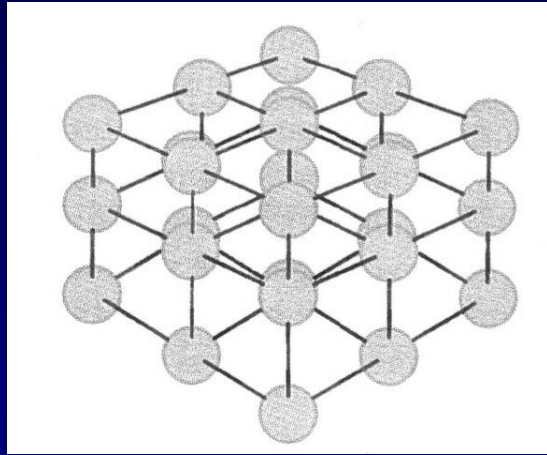
# STATES OF MATTER

## Solid:

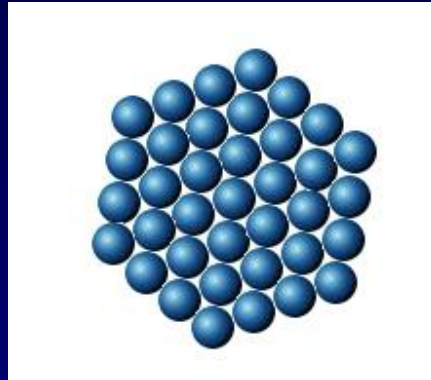
- a substance that resists changes of shape and volume
- characterized by structure in the particular order and bonding of atoms that make up the material

*Example = a crystal in which the molecules are locked into a strict geometrical order.*

# Various Representations of Molecules arranged in a SOLID

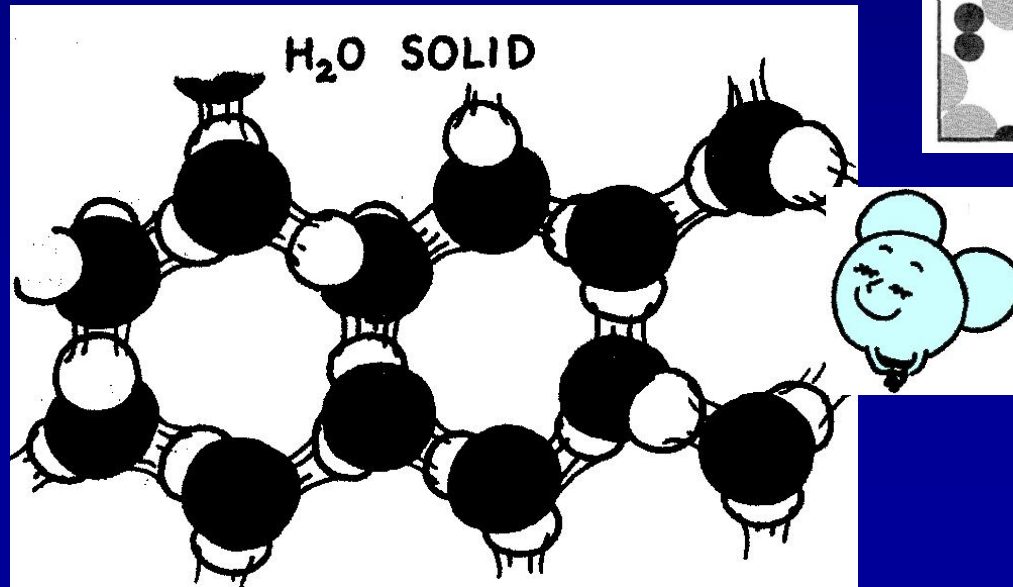
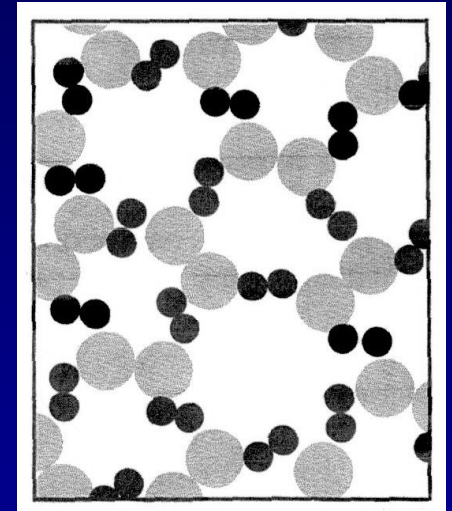


3-D view  
of a solid  
crystal  
structure



“top down” view of a  
Neon crystal

“top down” view of water  
( $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) arranged in solid  
(ice) form





## Liquid:

-- a substance that flows freely in response to unbalanced forces

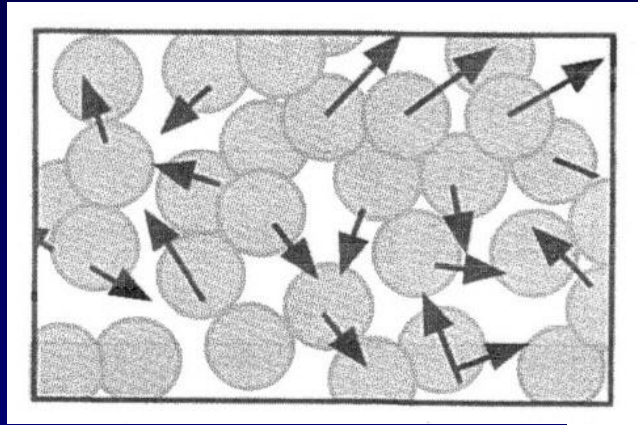
- molecules more or less move freely past one another as individuals or small groups
- are not confined to fixed positions (as in solids)

-- **LIQUIDS CAN EXHIBIT PRESSURE**

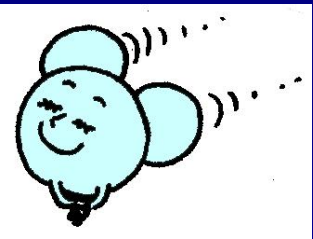
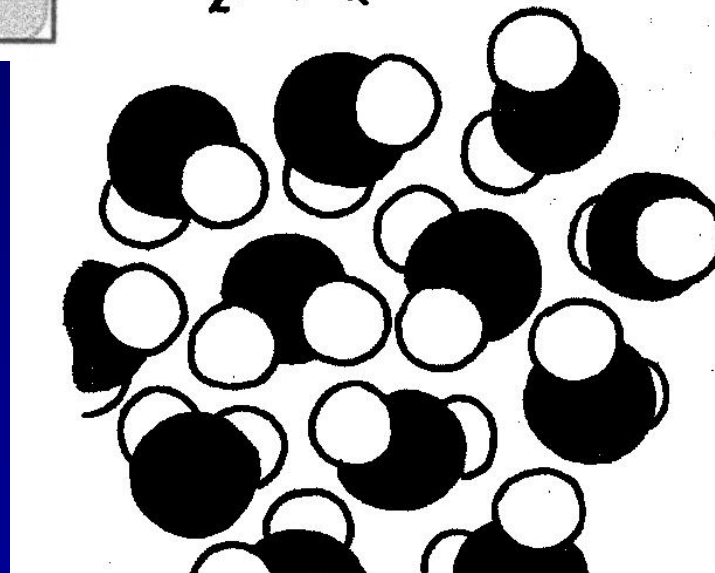
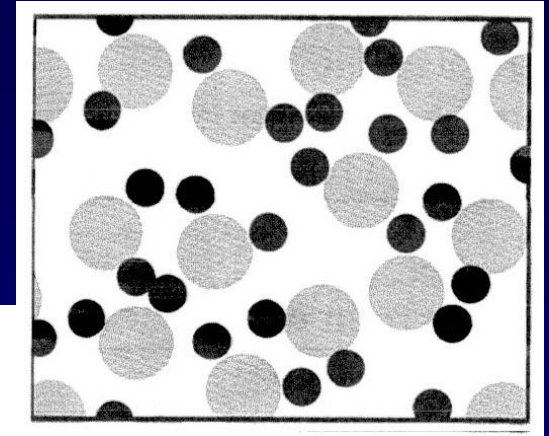
(pressure = a force per unit area)

... and will take the shape of the container they are in.

# Various Representations of Molecules arranged in a LIQUID



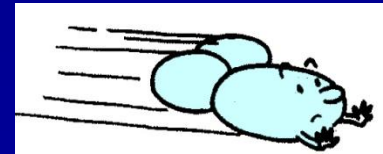
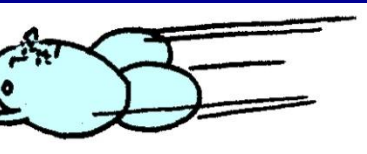
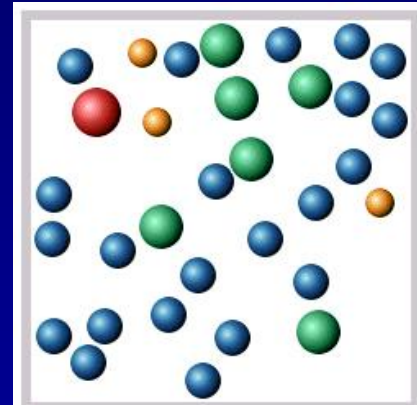
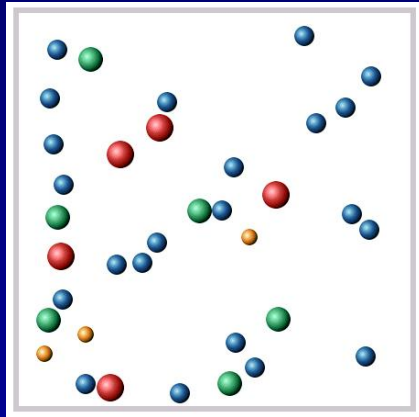
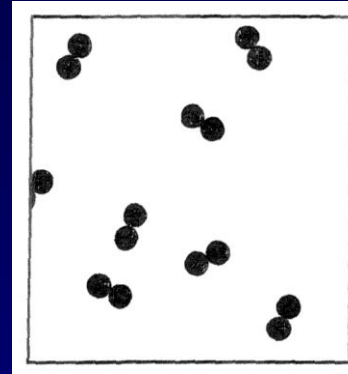
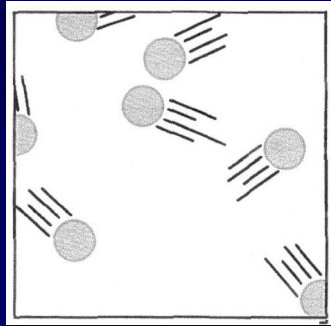
H<sub>2</sub>O LIQUID



## Gas:

- a substance that expands (and contracts) easily, rapidly, and indefinitely
- fills all space available to it
- takes the shape of its container
  - the distance between molecules is such that  
no cohesive forces exist
  - atoms or molecules are in high speed motion
  - many collisions and rebounds occur
- **GASES ALSO EXHIBIT PRESSURE**

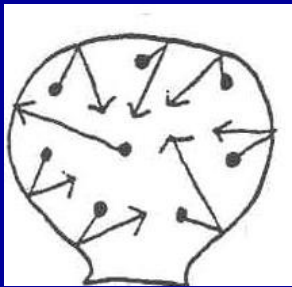
# Various Representations of Molecules arranged in a GAS



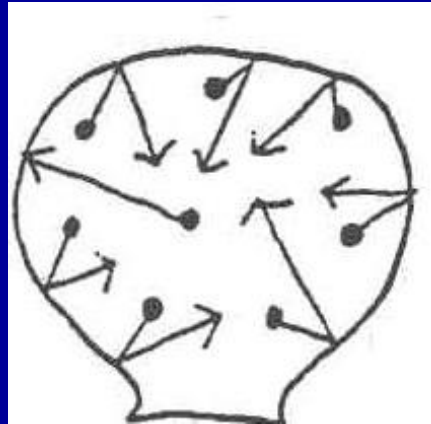
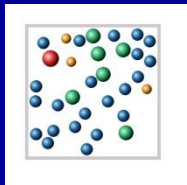
**Heat added = increase in total energy  
+ work done against outside pressure**

With increasing  $T$  (temperature)

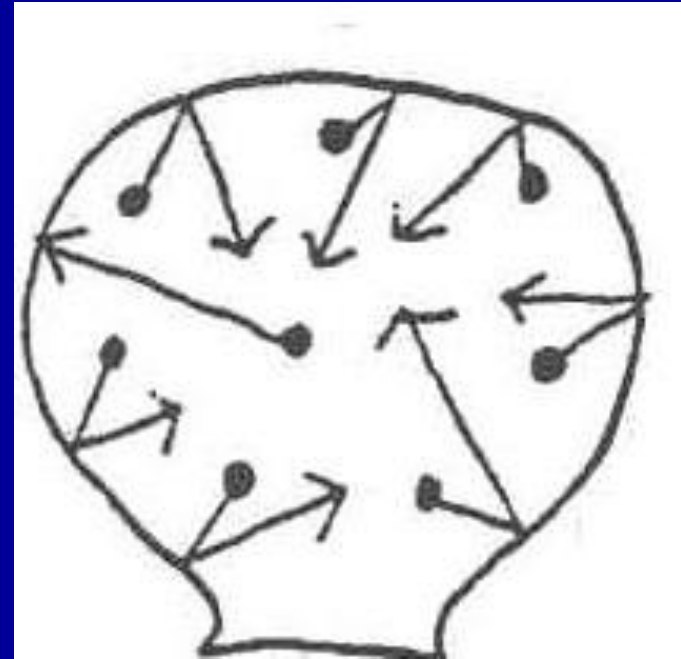
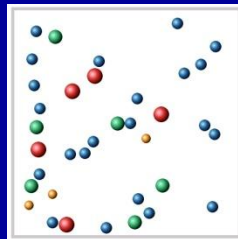
→ Volume increases &  
Density decreases



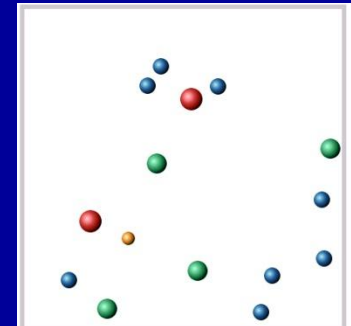
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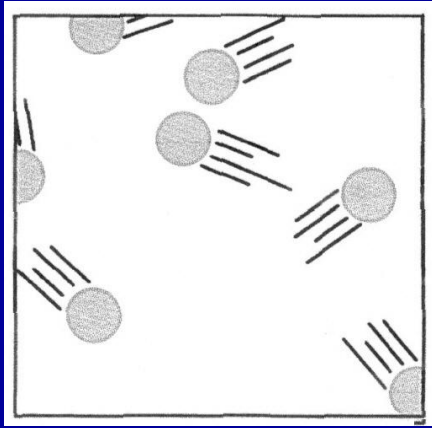
WARM



HOT

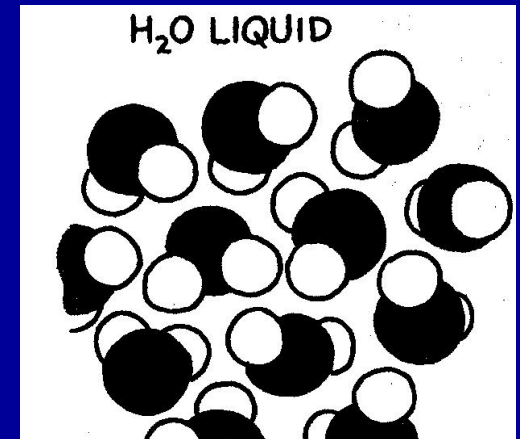




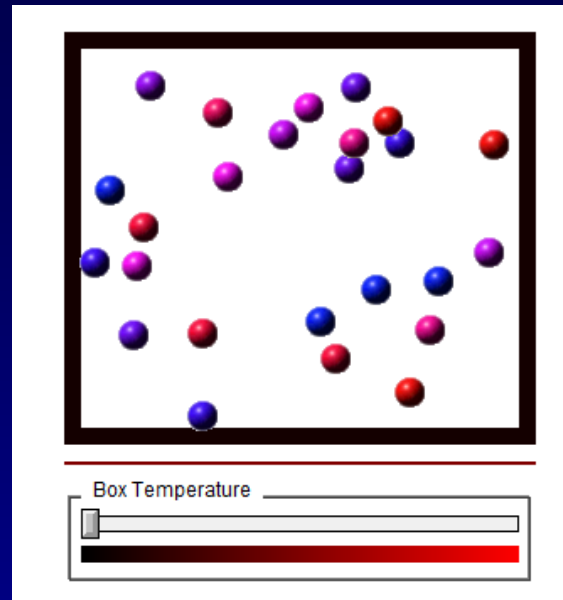


**At higher air temperatures,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  molecules collide & rebound more frequently, leading to expansion of the air & the water vapor in the air.**

**At lower air temperatures as air gets more dense,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  molecules are more likely to bond so that a phase change to liquid water or even solid ice can occur.**



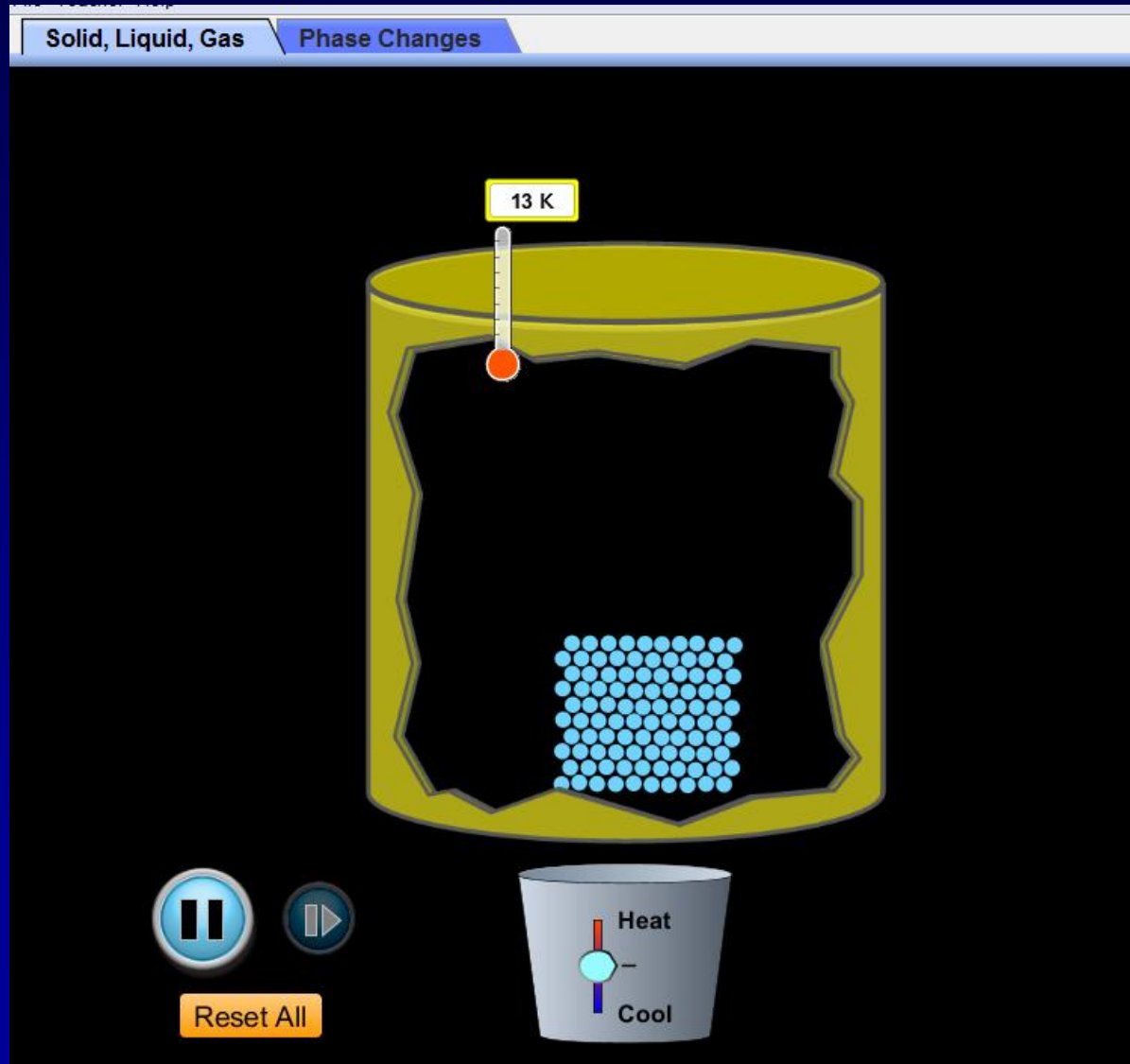
# A Simple Demo :



<http://www.colorado.edu/physics/2000/bec/temperature.html>

**WHAT DOES THIS HAVE TO DO WITH  
GLOBAL CHANGE & MY DAILY LIFE  
?????**

# A better demo:



## Ariz. heat cheats drivers at gas pump

standard not enforced, costing \$115M yearly in state, study says

spending about \$115 million more a year on gasoline and diesel fuel  
fuel temperatures were regulated to the federal standard, according to

### FEDERAL STANDARD:

Fuel at gas pump should be dispensed into a vehicle's tank at a temperature of 60 °F

If temperature is not 60 ° F, the cost of a gallon should be adjusted to reflect the volume of fuel at 60 ° F.

"It's a significant number, and one that we shouldn't be paying," said Judy Dugan, research director at Santa Monica-based Consumer Watchdog, formerly called the Foundation for Taxpayer and Consumer Rights. "With every rise in the price of gas, hot fuel becomes a more important issue."

The U.S. government defined volume of a gallon of gas:

At 60 degrees, a gallon is 231 cubic inches.

But when fuel is warmer than 60 degrees, the liquid expands, yielding less energy per gallon.

# Basic physics!

Depending on the temperature, the difference can amount to a few cents per gallon . . . .

. . . . But it adds up to big money — coming straight out of consumers' pockets.

## Laws of physics cost us money !!

### Less energy in each gallon

*The average year-round fuel temperature in the United States is 64.7 degrees Fahrenheit, higher than the government standard of 60 degrees. In some cases, service stations are selling fuel at more than 90 degrees this summer. Here's a look at how high temperatures affect fuel efficiency:*

As the temperature of gasoline rises, it expands

Note: Fuel pumps in the United States dispense 231 cubic inches of fuel per gallon



The molecules move farther apart, making the gasoline less dense



When it burns, the warmer gas gives off less energy



Which means you can't drive as far, and you will have to refill your tank a little sooner



\*Assuming a 20-gallon tank and 20 mpg

Source: Kansas City Star research  
Graphic: The Kansas City Star



Now let's review the atoms  
themselves and their internal  
structure . . .



The  
Higgs  
Boson?



**What's  
Next?**

# ATOMIC STRUCTURE:

Electron

Nucleus

Proton

Neutron

**ELECTRON:** tiny, - charged, very low mass

circles in orbits around a positively charged nucleus of an atom

**NUCLEUS:** small & massive  
(contains protons, neutrons . . .)

central part of an atom;  
made up of elementary particles  
that are even smaller →

**PROTON:** +charged, in nucleus  
(mass > an electron)

**NEUTRON:** neutral charge, in nucleus,  
(approximately equal in mass to a proton).

The # of neutrons can vary → ISOTOPES . . . .

**ISOTOPE:**

atoms of a given element that have different numbers of **neutrons** in their nuclei (hence slightly different masses)

e.g. **carbon-12** (  $^{12}\text{C}$  ) & **carbon-13** (  $^{13}\text{C}$  )



**ATOMIC NUMBER** = # of protons in nucleus

Atom is neutral (no charge) when:

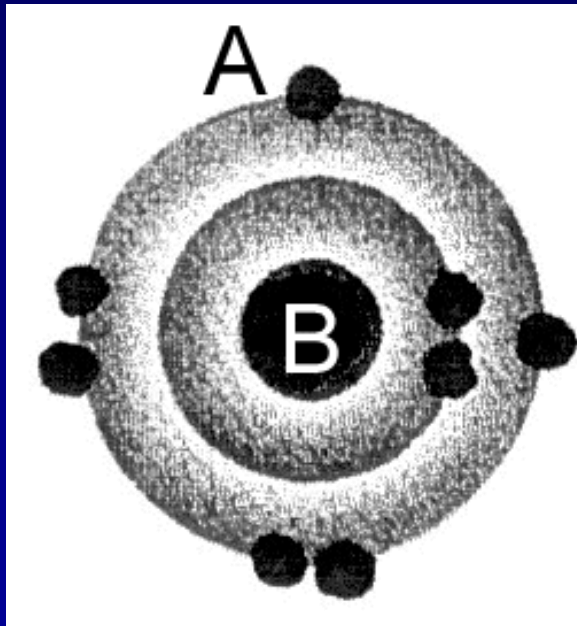
# protons (+) = # of electrons (-)

**ION:** if the atom has a charge (+ or -) it is an **ION**

# protons (+)  $\neq$  # neutrons (-)

**MASS NUMBER** = # protons + # neutrons  
in the nucleus

# Schematic “dot” diagram of an oxygen atom



What is A? \_\_\_\_\_

What is B? \_\_\_\_\_

# electrons = \_\_\_\_\_

# protons = \_\_\_\_\_

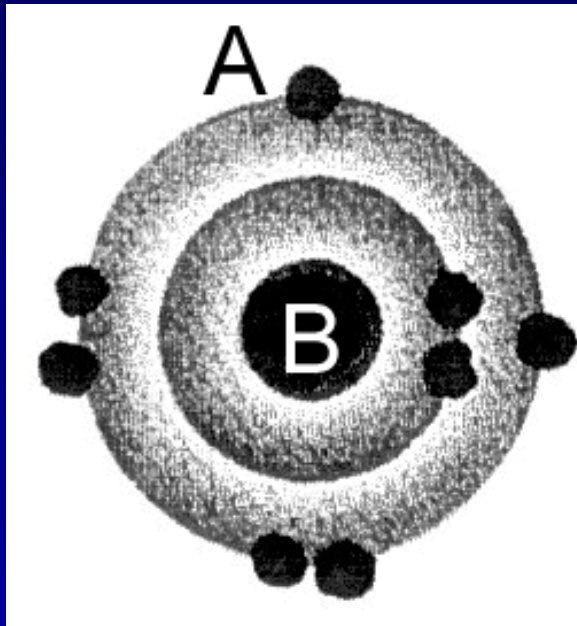
# neutrons = \_\_\_\_\_

atomic # = \_\_\_\_\_

mass # = \_\_\_\_\_

Is  $^{18}\text{O}$  [ lighter or heavier ]  
than  $^{16}\text{O}$ ?

# Schematic “dot” diagram of an oxygen atom



What is A? **electron**

What is B? **nucleus**

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# protons = **8**

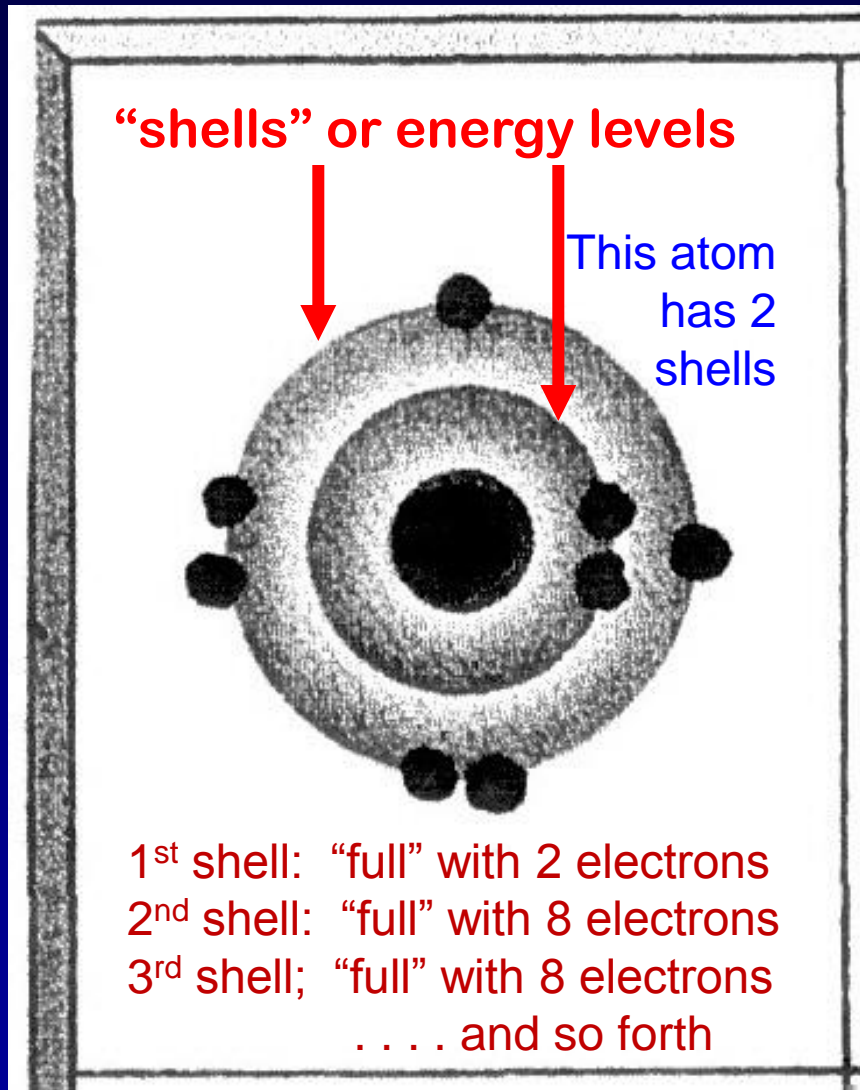
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## Electron Configuration in Shells (for Elements 1 to 18)



Atomic #	Element & Symbol	Number of Electrons in Each Shell			Total # of Electrons
		1st	2nd	3rd	
1	Hydrogen, H	1			1
2	Helium, He	2 (Full)			2
3	Lithium, Li	2	1		3
4	Beryllium, Be	2	2		4
5	Boron, B	2	3		5
6	Carbon, C	2	4		6
7	Nitrogen, N	2	5		7
8	Oxygen, O	2	6		8
9	Fluorine, F	2	7		9
10	Neon, Ne	2	8 (Full)		10
11	Sodium, Na	2	8	1	11
12	Magnesium, Mg	2	8	2	12
13	Aluminum, Al	2	8	3	13
14	Silicon, Si	2	8	4	14
15	Phosphorus, P	2	8	5	15
16	Sulfur, S	2	8	6	16
17	Chlorine, Cl	2	8	7	17
18	Argon, Ar	2	8	8 (Full)	18

# Lecture Break!



<http://www.symphonyofscience.com/>

“We Are All Connected”