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electrical conductivity
chemical properties
color / transparence
spectroscopical properties
surface properties
density
heat conductivity

(costs of production)
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microscopic properties

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intermolecular interactions
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electrical polarization
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example: portable phone



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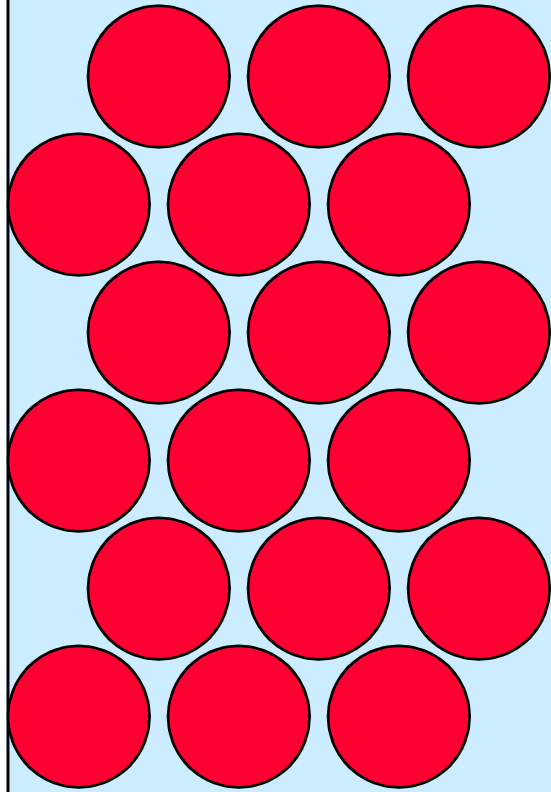
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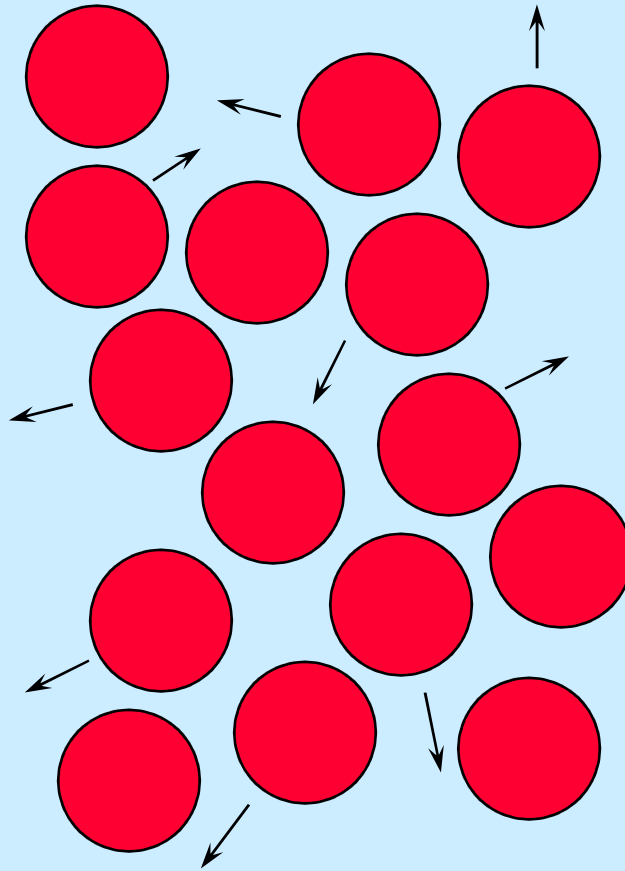
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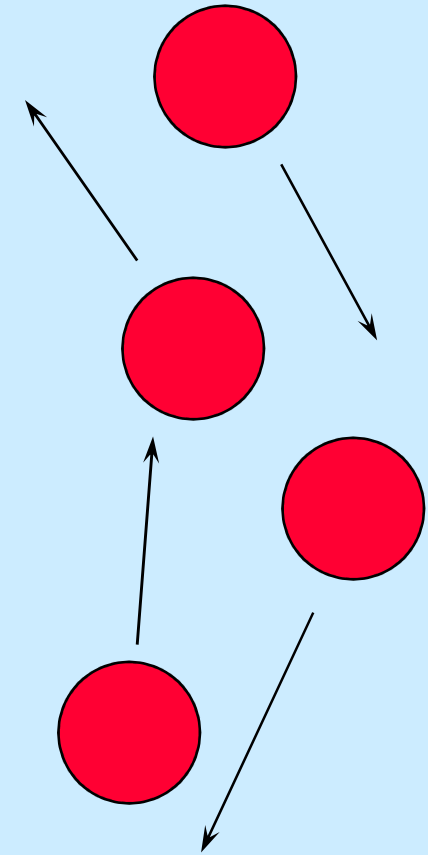
solid

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- elastic response to deformation



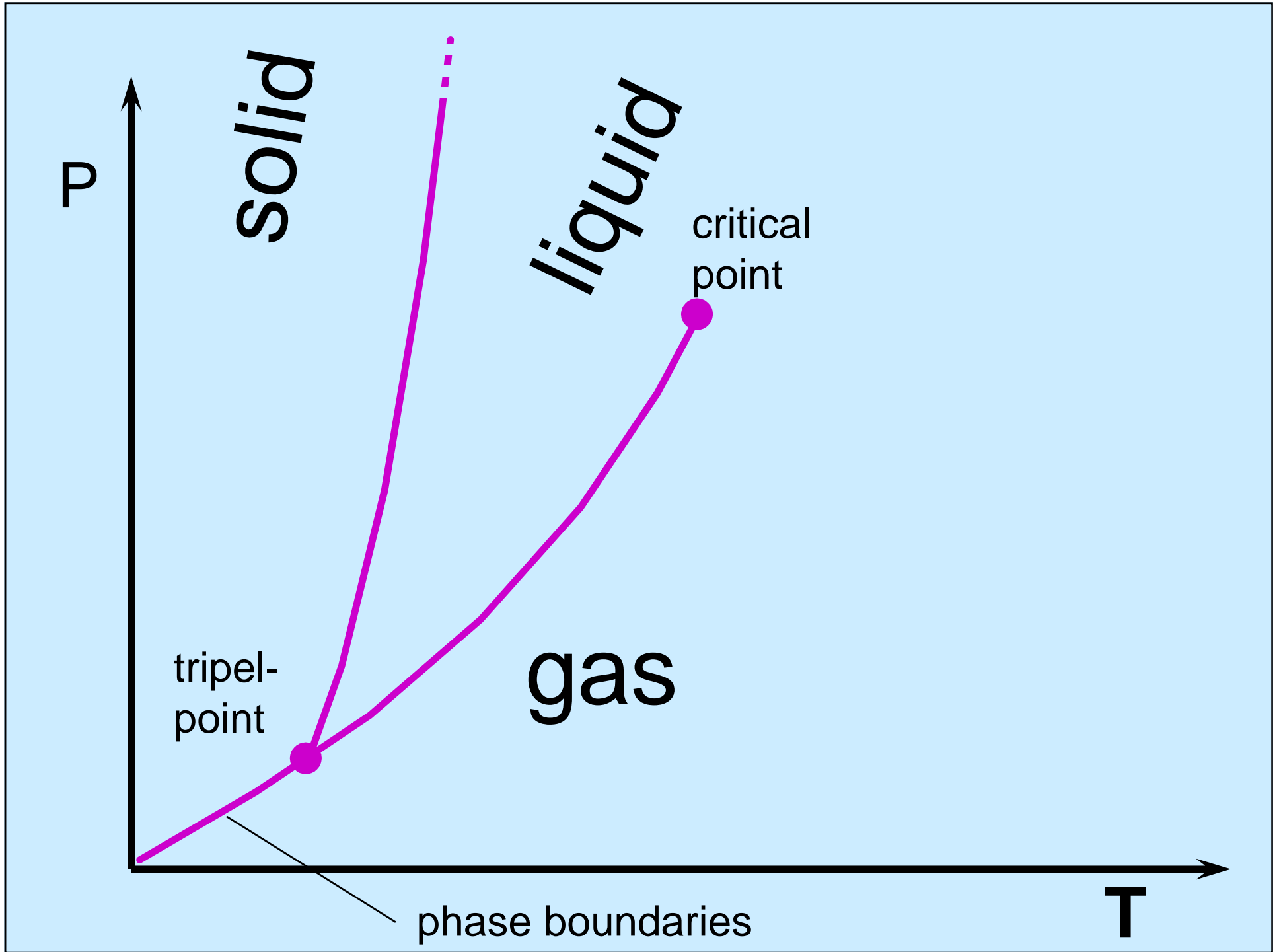
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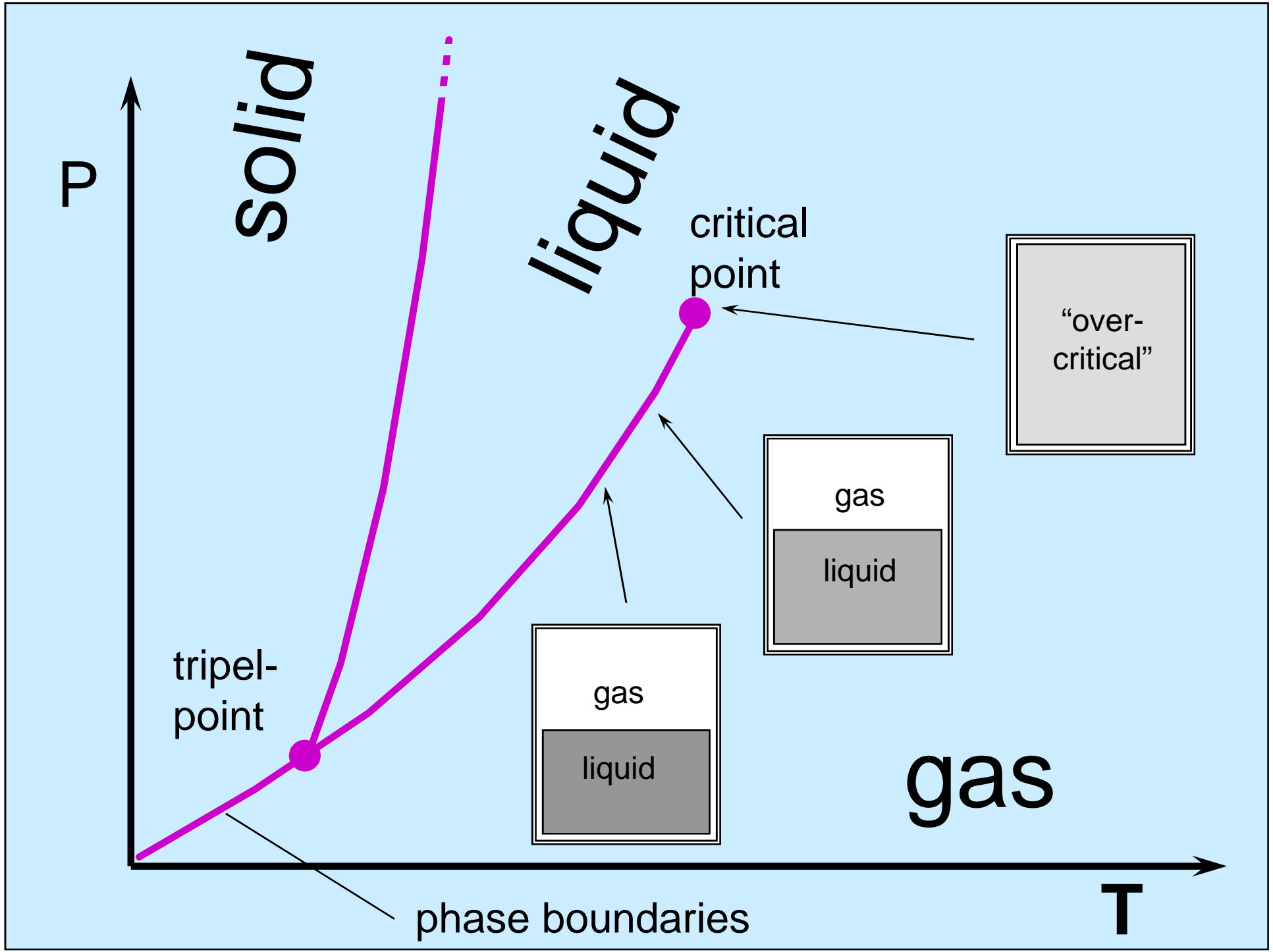
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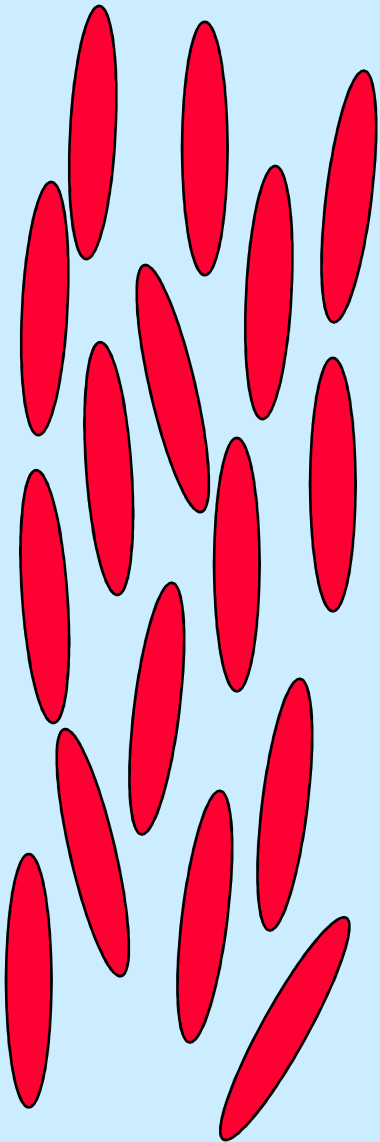
gas

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- viscous response to deformation

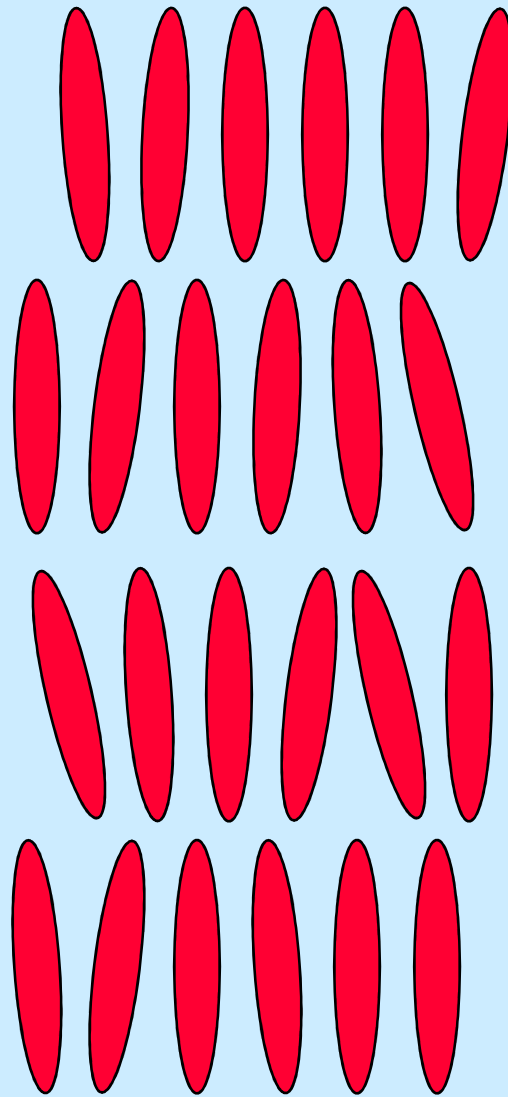




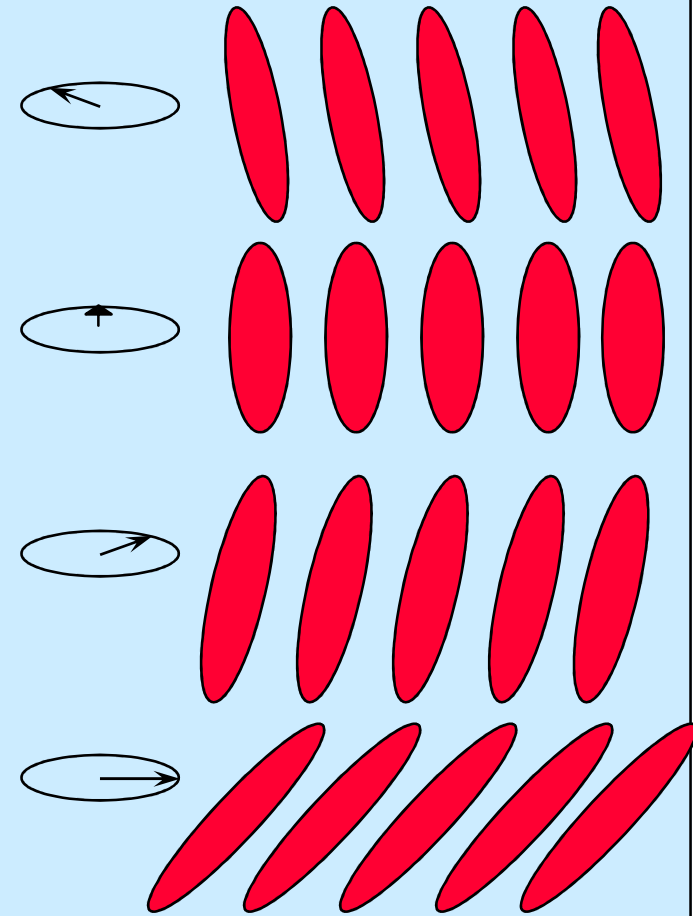
liquid crystals



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cholesteric

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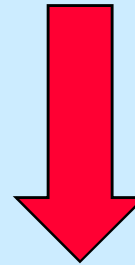
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2) intermolecular interactions:

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a) London forces

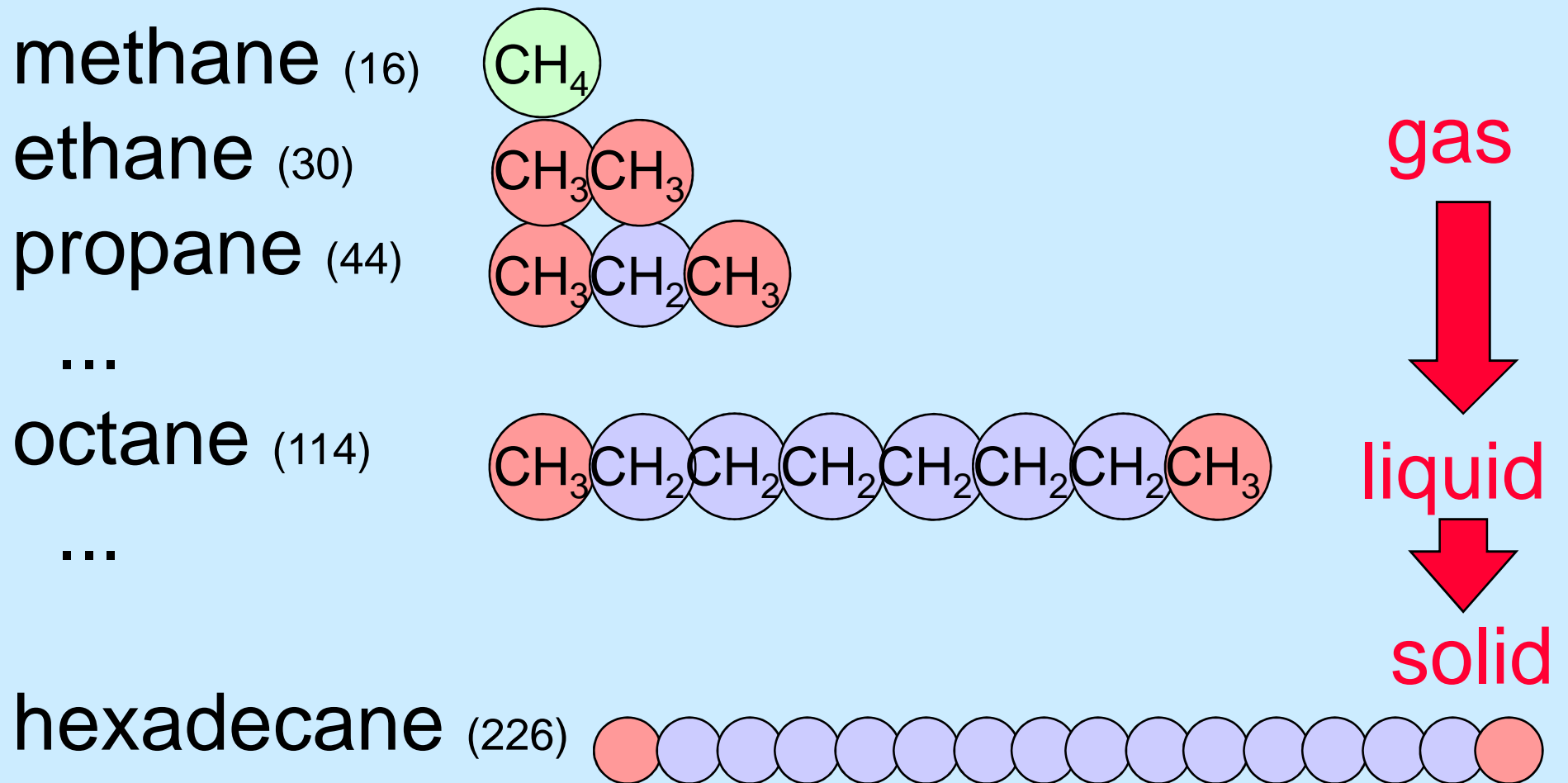
b) dipolar interactions

c) hydrogen bonds

d) covalent, metallic
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example: alkanes (molecular mass):



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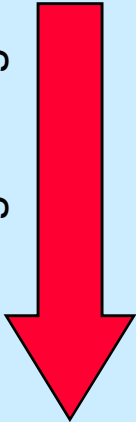


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2) intermolecular interactions:

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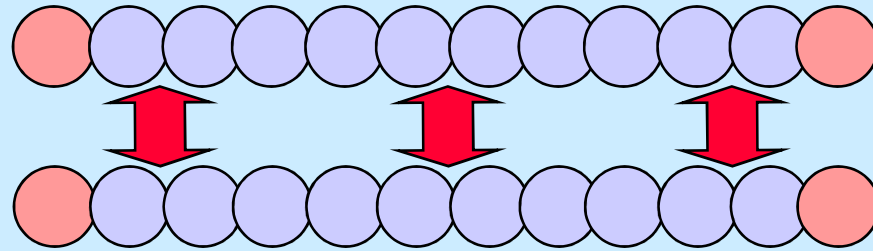


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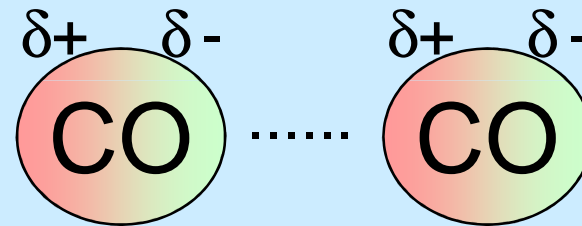
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a very general interaction acting between uncharged molecules (e.g. alkanes)



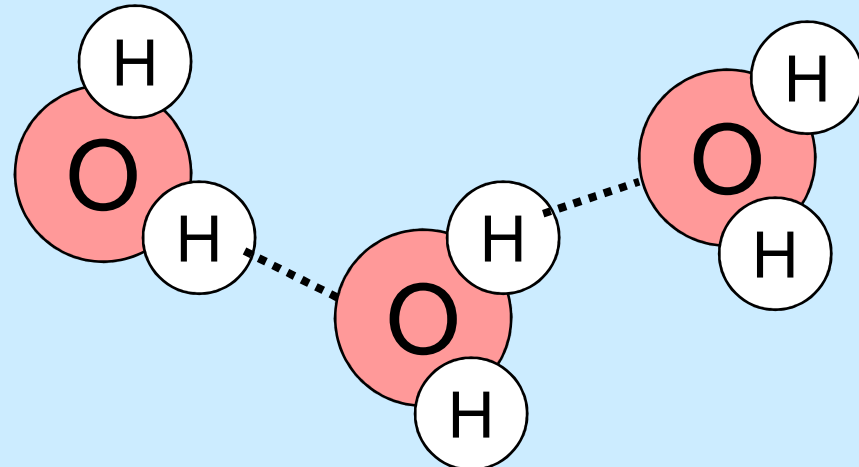
b) dipolar interactions

act between all permanent electrical dipoles (e.g. CO)



c) hydrogen bonds

found in all compounds with polar X-H-bonds (e.g. water)



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Comparison of materials with similar molecular masses:

compound	molecular mass	interaction	melting point	boiling point
a) Ne neon	18 g/Mol	London forces	-249°C	-246°C
b) CO carbon monoxide	28 g/Mol	+ dipolar forces	-204°C	-191°C
c) NH ₃ ammonia	17 g/Mol	+ hydrogen bonds	-40°C	-33°C
d) H ₂ O water	18 g/Mol	+ strong hydrogen bonds	0°C	100°C

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important material property:
resistance against corrosion

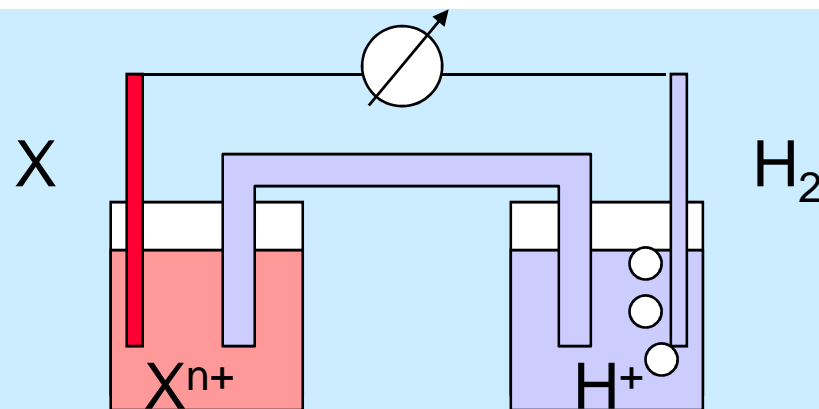
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- 2) passivation
 - formation of a thin, passive oxidized layer (Al)
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inert, corrosion-resistant metals

H																	He
Li	Be											B	C	N	O	F	Ne
Na	Mg											Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
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Cs	Ba	La	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn

electrical potentials of metals against hydrogen:



(all values in V against H₂)

Li	lithium	- 2.96
K	potassium	- 2.92
Ca	calcium	- 2.76
Na	sodium	- 2.71
Mg	magnesium	- 2.34
Al	aluminum	- 1.33
Mn	manganese	- 1.10
Zn	zinc	- 0.76
Cr	chromium	- 0.51
Fe	iron	- 0.44

Cd	cadmium	- 0.40
Co	cobalt	- 0.28
Ni	nickel	- 0.23
Sn	tin	- 0.16
Pb	lead	- 0.12
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Au	gold	1.36
Pt	platinum	1.60

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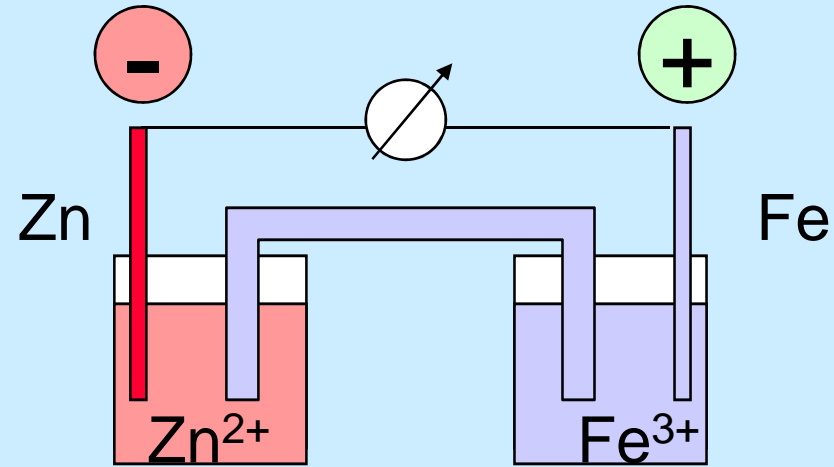
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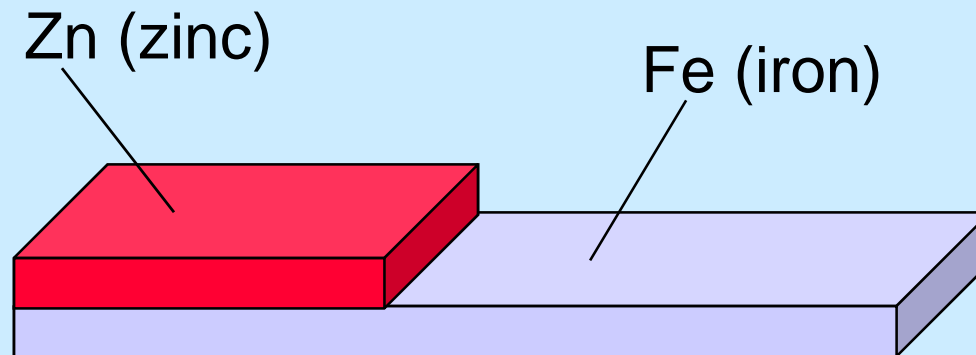
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galvanic cell:



galvanic cell under short-circuit:



In direct contact with zinc, iron becomes more inert against oxidation, while zinc is more easily oxidized. Zinc, however, forms a passivation layer.

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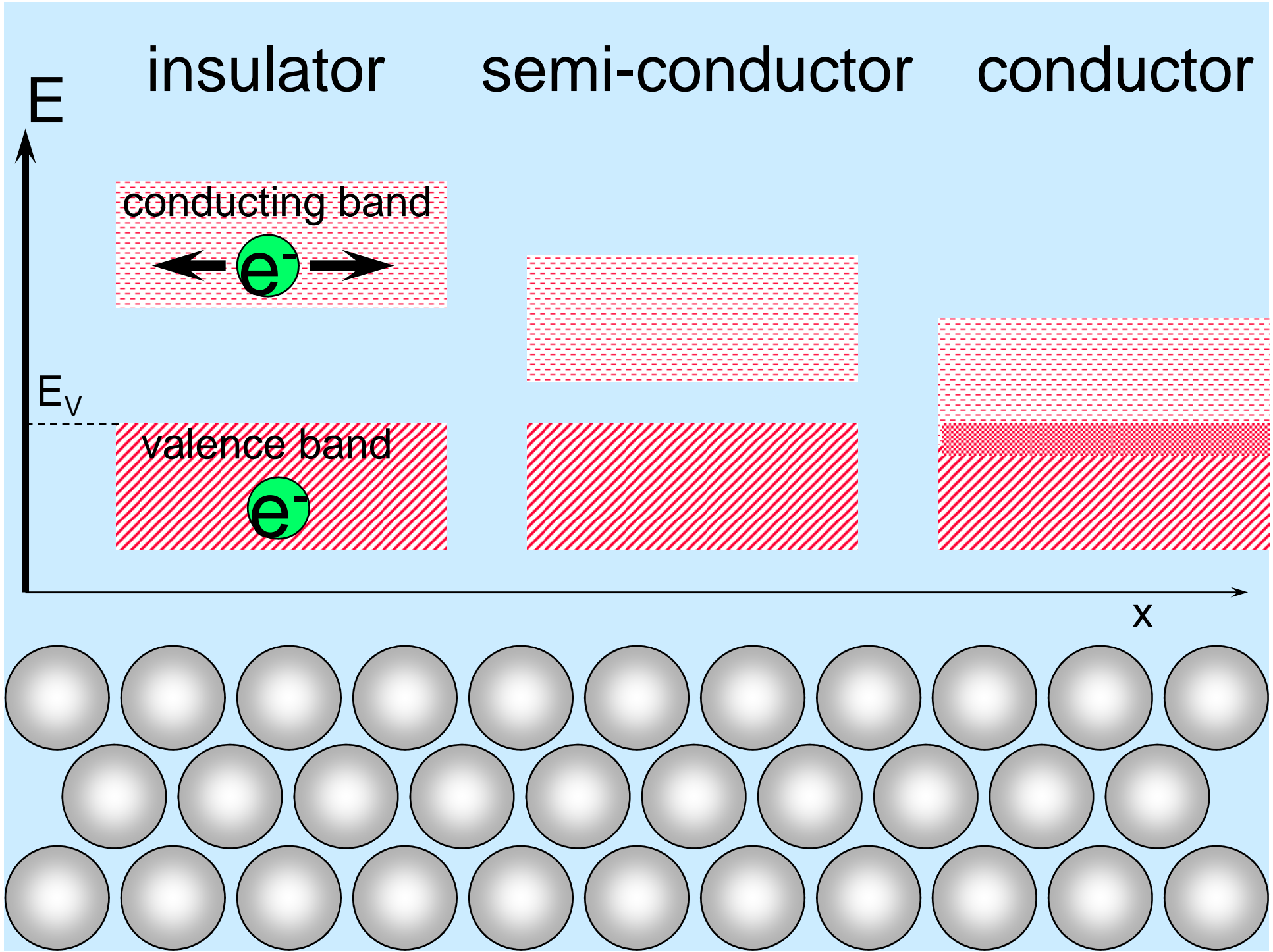
- highly delocalized electrons
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2) semi-conductors

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3) electrolytes

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best electric conductors

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