# Structure of matter-3

• **Atoms** - Building blocks of matter. The smallest unit(particle) of an element that has all of the properties of that element (may or may not exist independently) Ex: Hydrogen, Helium, Sodium, chlorine..

- **Molecules** Atoms of different elements combine together to form molecules (Exist independently)
- Ex: NaCl, HCl, NH<sub>3</sub>, NaOH, H<sub>2</sub>O

- Compounds Elements combine each other to form compounds.
   Compound always contain the same number of elements combined together chemically in a fixed ratio.
- Covalent bond: Sharing of electrons for stability
- Ionic bond: Transfer of electrons

- **Mixture:** Elements or compounds mixed together physically but not chemically.
- No new molecules are formed here
- Example: Air, tap water

- Symbols used to represent elements
- Formulas used to represent group of elements that are connected (molecule / compound)

### Difference between compounds and mixtures:

Property	Compounds	Mixtures
Combination of constituents	Constituents are combined together chemically	Constituents are combined together physically
Ratio of constituents	Fixed ratio	Any ratio
Separation of constituents	By chemical methods	By physical methods
Properties	Have properties different from those of constituents	Have properties those of their constituents
Energy Changes	Energy is absorbed or released during the formation of compounds	No energy is absorbed or released

### Atomicity:

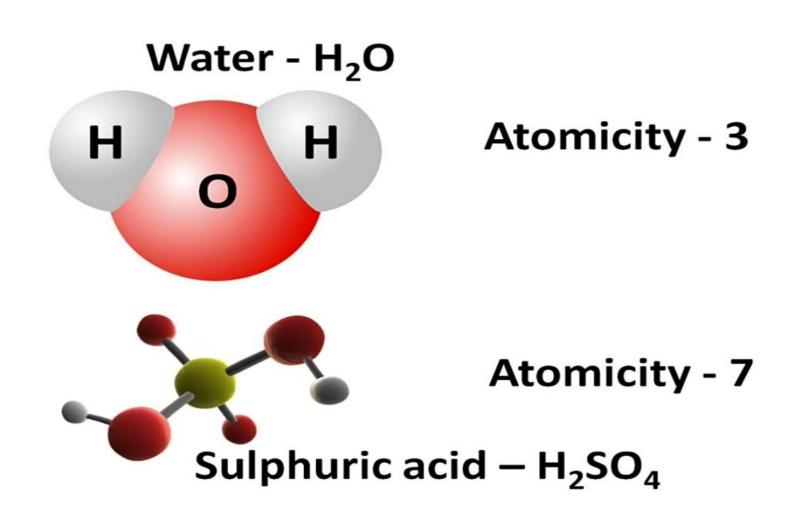
#### **Atomicity**

The number of atoms constituting a molecule is known as its atomicity.

Monoatomic molecule

$$H_2O \longrightarrow Atomicity - 3$$

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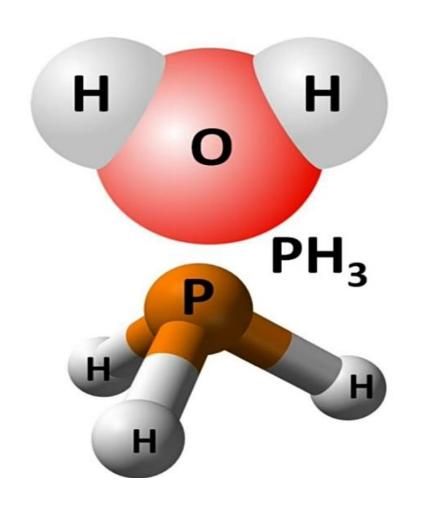
He Atomicity - 1 Monoatomic molecule Atomicity - 2 Diatomic molecule -----> Atomicity - 3 Triatomic molecule **Atomicity of elements** 

Valency: (The number of electrons an atom can donate or accept is called the combining power)

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The combining power (or capacity) of an element is known as its valency.

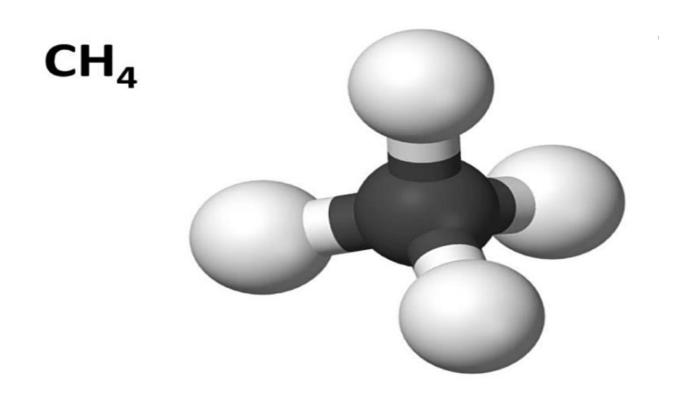
It is also defined as the number of hydrogen atoms with which one atom of the element would combine.

CH<sub>4</sub> - The valency of carbon is 4.



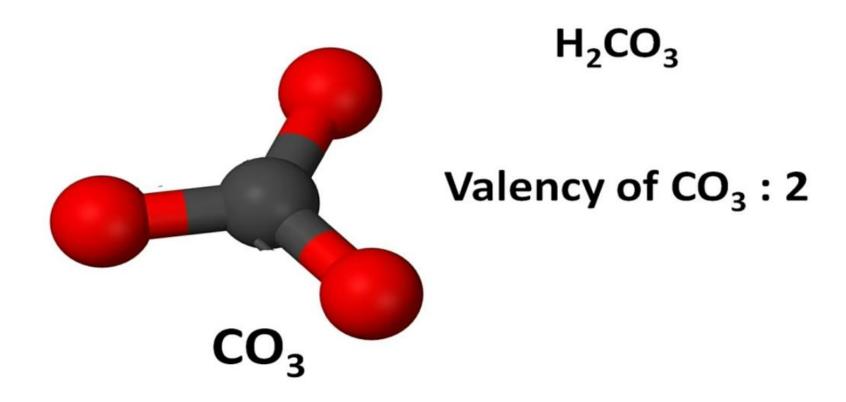
Valency of O: 2

Valency of P: 3



Valency of C: 4

Valency of C:4
Valency of O: 2



### Write the molecular formula:

- Nitrogen
- Neon
- Aluminium hydroxide
- Ammonium hydroxide