

# CHEMICAL EQUATIONS



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# The Anatomy of Chemical Equations

Chemical reactions occur everywhere.

Atoms of the **reactants** are rearranged to form the **products**.

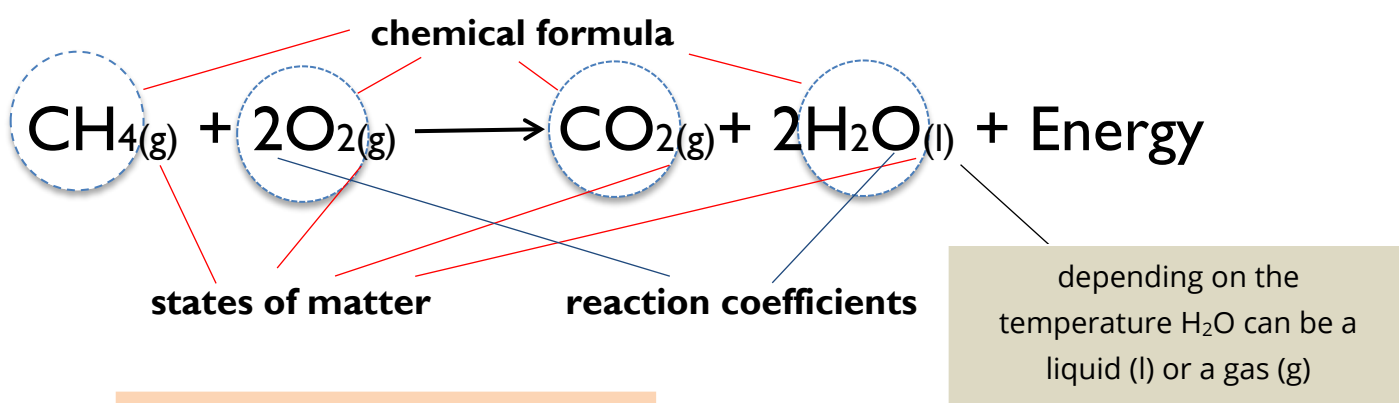
## Reactant $\longrightarrow$ Products

Chemical **reactions** normally occur because the products have less energy (more stable) than the reactants.

Chemical reactions can be represented in several ways.

**Methane combusts in air to form carbon dioxide, water and lots of energy.**

**Methane + Oxygen  $\longrightarrow$  Carbon Dioxide + Water**



### **Number of Atoms**

Reactants vs products

1C	1C
4H	4H
4O	4O

Since they are the same the reaction is 'balanced'.

Matter is neither created nor destroyed, the atoms are simply rearranged by the breaking of bonds and the formation of new ones.

# Chemical Equations

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## Mass Balance

	$\text{CH}_{4(g)}$	+	$2\text{O}_{2(g)}$	$\longrightarrow$	$\text{CO}_{2(g)}$	+	$2\text{H}_2\text{O}_{(l)}$
Reaction Coefficients	1		2		1		2
$M_r$	16		32		44		18
Mass Balance	16		64		44		36
		<b>80</b>				<b>80</b>	

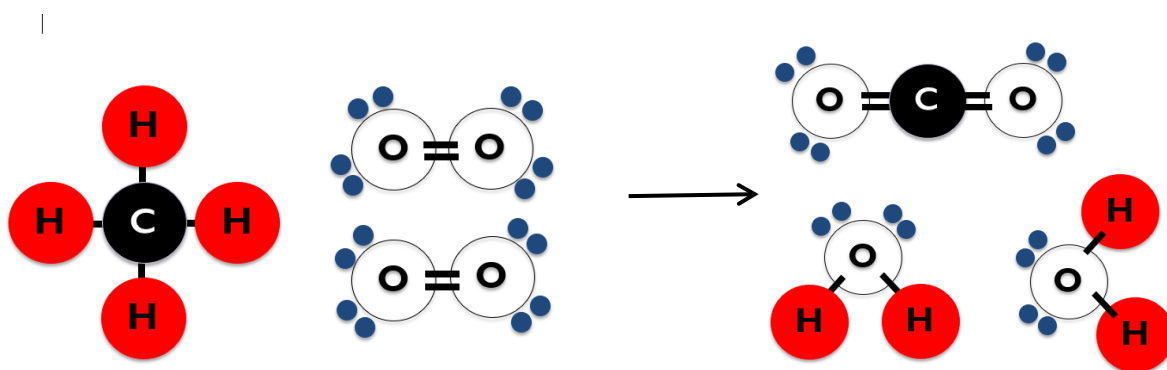
**Stoichiometry** - the quantitative relationships or ratios between two or more substances undergoing chemical change (chemical reaction).

The balanced equation tells us that:

- 1 molecule of  $\text{CH}_4$  reacts with 2 molecules of  $\text{O}_2$  to form 1 molecule of  $\text{CO}_2$  and 2 molecules of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- 1 mole of  $\text{CH}_4$  reacts with 2 moles of  $\text{O}_2$  to form 1 mole of  $\text{CO}_2$  and 2 moles of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- 16 g of  $\text{CH}_4$  reacts with 64 g of  $\text{O}_2$  to form 44 g of  $\text{CO}_2$  and 36 g of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- 1 g of  $\text{CH}_4$  reacts with 4 (64/16) g of  $\text{O}_2$  to form 2.75 (44/16) g of  $\text{CO}_2$  and 2.25 (36/16) g of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$

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Reactants atoms are rearranged to form products.

Reactant bonds are broken – bonds are formed to form products.

4 C-H bonds and 2 O=O bonds  
are broken

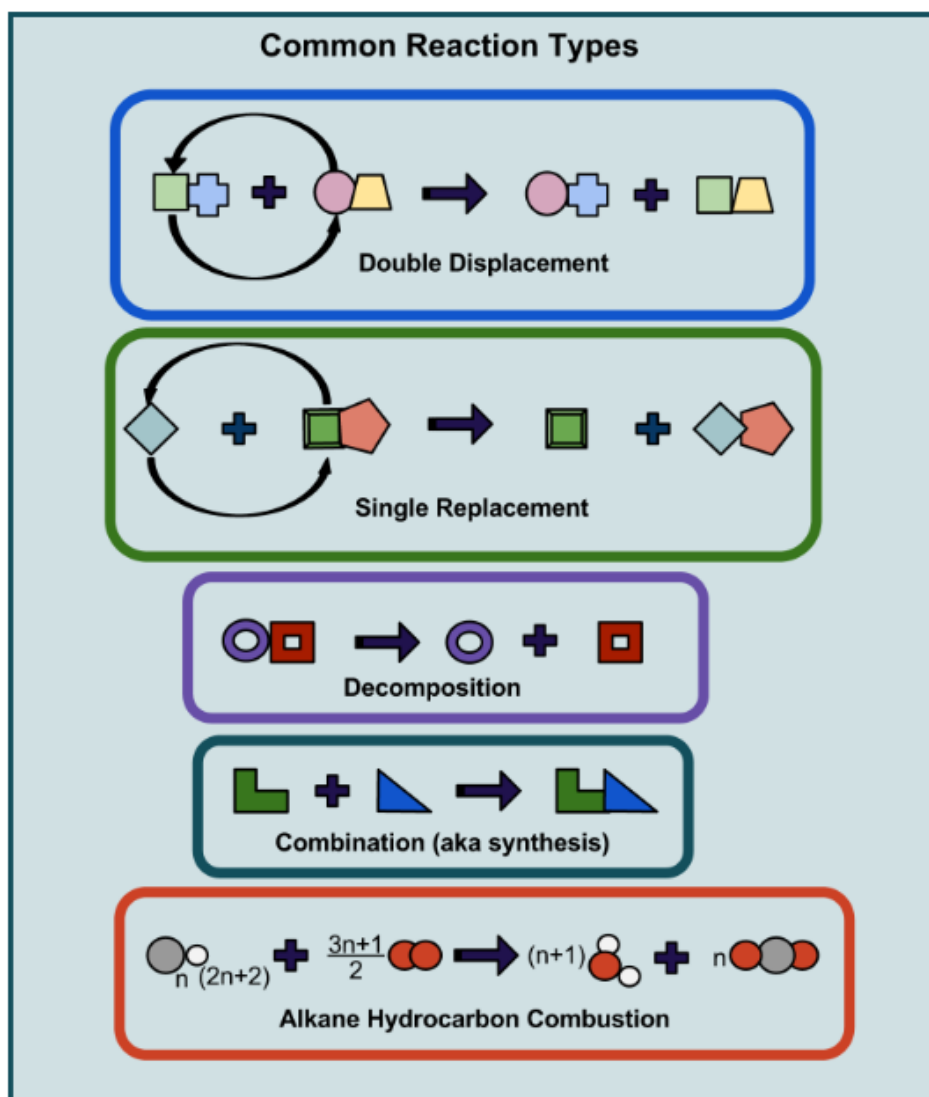
Consumes energy (Endothermic)

2C=O and 4O-H bonds are formed

Releases energy (Exothermic)

**Energy of Reaction = Energy Consumed – Energy Released**

# Chemical Reaction Types



Reaction Type	Model	Example
Combination	$A + B \rightarrow C$	$3\text{Ca}(s) + \text{N}_2(g) \rightarrow \text{Ca}_3\text{N}_2$
Decomposition	$A \rightarrow B + C$	$2\text{H}_2\text{O}_2(aq) \rightarrow 2\text{H}_2\text{O}(l) + \text{O}_2(g)$
Single Replacement	$A + BC \rightarrow B + AC$ $A + BC \rightarrow C + BA$	$\text{Cu}(s) + 2\text{AgNO}_3 \rightarrow 2\text{Ag} + \text{Cu}(\text{NO}_3)_2$ $\text{Cl}_2(g) + 2\text{NaBr}(aq) \rightarrow \text{Br}_2(l) + 2\text{NaCl}(aq)$
Double Replacement	$AB + CD \rightarrow AD + CB$	$\text{Pb}(\text{NO}_3)_2(aq) + 2\text{KI}(aq) \rightarrow \text{PbI}_2(s) + 2\text{KNO}_3(aq)$ $\text{HCl}(aq) + \text{KOH}(aq) \rightarrow \text{KCl}(aq) + \text{H}_2\text{O}(aq)$
Combustion	$\text{C}_x\text{H}_y + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	$\text{CH}_4(g) + 2\text{O}_2(g) \rightarrow \text{CO}_2(g) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}(l)$