



- Study of how new substance(s) is/are formed from old substance(s)
- A substance is something that is made up of two or more atoms.
- A substance is a molecule.

Examples of chemical change:

- Iron rusting
- Wood burning
- Food metabolizing

- Compare to physical change
 - Classical physics
 - Bonds are not being made or broken
 - No new substance is formed
 - Ice ⇒ Water ⇒ Steam
 - Nuclear physics
 - Bonds are not being made or broken
 - New elements are formed

$${}_{0}^{1}\mathbf{n} + {}_{92}^{235}\mathbf{U} \rightarrow {}_{56}^{141}\mathbf{Ba} + {}_{36}^{92}\mathbf{Kr} + \mathbf{3}{}_{0}^{1}\mathbf{n} + \mathbf{Energy}$$

New substances are made by:

- Breaking old bonds and/or
- Making bonds

New bonds are made by sharing or exchanging electrons.

Old bonds are broken by separating electrons in a bond.

Therefore:

Making and breaking bonds requires keeping track of electrons.

Chemistry is the science of following electrons.

Nuclei are NOT engaged.

Nuclei consist of protons and neutrons.

Protons tell a chemist how many electrons a neutral atom has, and whether the atom has a charge because it is missing electron(s) or has additional electron(s).

Neutrons help a chemist calculate the molecular weight of a substance.

In "stepwise" alkene addition mechanisms, the arrows clearly show the role of each component in the reaction

Br (leaving group)
$$H_3C + H + H + H_3C + H_3C + H + H_3C + H_$$

