Chemistry 233 Chapter 11 Problem Set - Pt. 2 (Elimination Reactions)

1. The example below was given on the Ch. 9 Problem Set. Given what you now know, what product(s) would you expect to isolate from this reaction?

- 2. Specify how each of the following would affect the rate of an **E2** reaction.
 - a. Increase changing the base from NaOCH₃ to NaNH₂.
 - b. Increasing the concentration of base.
 - c. Decreasing the concentration of alkyl halide.
 - d. Changing the alky halide from 2-bromo-2-ethylpentane to 2-bromopentane.
 - e. Changing the alkyl halide from 2-bromopentane to 2-iodopentane.
- 3. Specify how each of the following would affect the rate of an **E1** reaction.
 - a. Changing the base from NaOH to H₂O.
 - b. Decreasing the concentration of base.
 - c. Changing the solvent from acetone to methanol.
 - d. Changing the alky halide from 2-bromo-2-ethylpentane to 2-bromopentane.
- 4. Predict the product(s) for each of the E2 elimination reactions below. Identify the major product for each.

5. Show the complete electron pushing mechanism for the reaction in **question 4 part a**.

6. Predict the product(s) for each of the E1 elimination reactions below. Identify the major product for each.

7. Show the complete electron pushing mechanism for the reaction in **question 6 part c**.

8. For each reaction below, predict the E2 elimination product with correct alkene stereochemistry where appropriate. Also, draw the reactive (anti-periplanar) conformation.

9. The compound below can undergo two successive elimination reactions upon heating. Draw the product of the reaction.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CI & & NaNH_2 \\ \hline Ph & & DMF \end{array}$$

- 10. Circle the one in each of the following pairs that would be expected to give a higher yield of elimination over substitution.
 - a. | + NaOH vs / + NaOH
 - **b.** CI + KO vs CI + KO
 - c. $\stackrel{\mathsf{Br}}{\underset{\mathsf{Low}\;\mathsf{T}}{\mathsf{T}}}$ + $\overset{\mathsf{CH}_3\mathsf{O}}{\underset{\mathsf{Low}\;\mathsf{T}}{\ominus}}$ vs $\overset{\mathsf{Br}}{\underset{\mathsf{High}\;\mathsf{T}}{\mathsf{T}}}$ + $\overset{\mathsf{CH}_3\mathsf{O}}{\underset{\mathsf{High}\;\mathsf{T}}{\ominus}}$
- 11. **Synthesis:** Propose a synthesis for each of the following starting with 2-bromobutane.
 - a. 2-butene
 - b. 2-butyne
 - c. 2-butanol
 - d. butane
- 12. Rank the following from fastest (1) to slowest (4) E2 elimination.

