Chemistry 233 Chapter 8 Problem Set

Addition of HX To Alkenes

1. Predict the products for each of the following reactions. If the reaction generates a new chiral center, take that into consideration. When enantiomers are formed, you only need to draw one enantiomer. When diastereomers are formed, draw all products.



2. Show the full arrow pushing mechanism for the reaction in **part f** (above).

3. Show the full arrow pushing mechanism for the reaction in **part h** (above).

4. Draw a simple energy diagram for the reaction in **part h**. Label your starting material, product, and each intermediate. Note: The first step is the rate determining step.

Addition of H⁺ and H₂O or HOR to Alkenes

5. Predict the products for each of the following reactions. If the reaction generates a new chiral center, take that into consideration. When enantiomers are formed, you only need to draw one enantiomer. When diastereomers are formed, draw all products.



6. Show the full arrow pushing mechanism for the reaction in **part c** (above).

Halogenation of Alkenes and Halohydrin Formation

7. Predict the major products for each of the following reactions. Be sure to indicate stereochemistry where appropriate.



8. Predict the product for the following reaction. While it may appear different, it is mechanistically identical to 7e. The nitrogen has a lone pair (like the oxygen) which adds to the boromonium ion as a nucleophile. A proton is then lost from the nitrogen to give the neutral reaction product.

9. Show the full arrow pushing mechanism for the reaction in question **7c**. *Include stereochemistry.*

10. Show the full arrow pushing mechanism for the reaction question **7d**.

11. Show the full arrow pushing mechanism for the reaction question **7f**.

12. Show the full arrow pushing mechanism for the reaction question **8**.

Hydroboration/Oxidation

11. Predict the major product for each of the hydroboration-oxidation reactions shown below.

a.

$$\frac{1. BH_{3} \cdot THF}{2. H_{2}O_{2}, NaOH}$$
b.

$$\frac{1. BH_{3} \cdot THF}{2. H_{2}O_{2}, NaOH}$$
c.

$$\frac{1. BH_{3} \cdot THF}{2. H_{2}O_{2}, NaOH}$$
d.

$$\frac{1. BH_{3} \cdot THF}{2. H_{2}O_{2}, NaOH}$$

12. Show the arrow pushing mechanism for the addition of borane to the alkene in **11b**.

13. One mole of BH_3 can actually react with 3 moles of alkene. Show this product for the reaction below.

$$3 moles$$

$$BH_3$$

$$1 mole$$

14. Show the full arrow pushing mechanism for the oxidation step shown in the box below. *You do not have to know this mechanism step for the exam but give it a shot.*



<u>Alkene Hydrogenation</u>

14. Predict the major product(s) for each of the following reactions. Show stereochemistry where appropriate. When enantiomers are formed, you only need to draw one enantiomer. When diastereomers are formed, draw all products.

a.
$$H_2 \rightarrow Pd/C \rightarrow$$

b.
$$H_2 \rightarrow H_2 \rightarrow H$$

c.
$$H_2 \rightarrow Pt$$

d.
$$H_2$$
 Ni

e.
$$H_2 \rightarrow Pt$$

Dihydroxylation

15. Predict the major product(s) for each of the following reactions.



Cyclopropanation

16. Predict the major product(s) for each of the following reactions.





Epoxidation of Alkenes

17. Predict the major product(s) for each of the following reactions.







Ozonolysis of Alkenes

18. Predict the major products for each of the ozonolysis reactions shown below.



Synthesis Involving Reactions of Alkenes

19. Identify the reagent(s) that you would need to accomplish the following transformations.





Additional Problems

20. Draw the structure of the alkene that was used in each of the following reactions. The molecular formula of the starting material is provided.



21. The carbocation below appears to be a primary carbocation yet it is even more stable than a tertiary carbocation. Explain.