

# Chem 112B Midterm 3

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8:10–9:30 am, 100 Lewis

You have **80 minutes** to complete this exam. Please write your answers clearly only on the pages indicated *and be as detailed as possible*. Nothing written outside the numbered pages will be graded. There should be 9 total pages in this exam.

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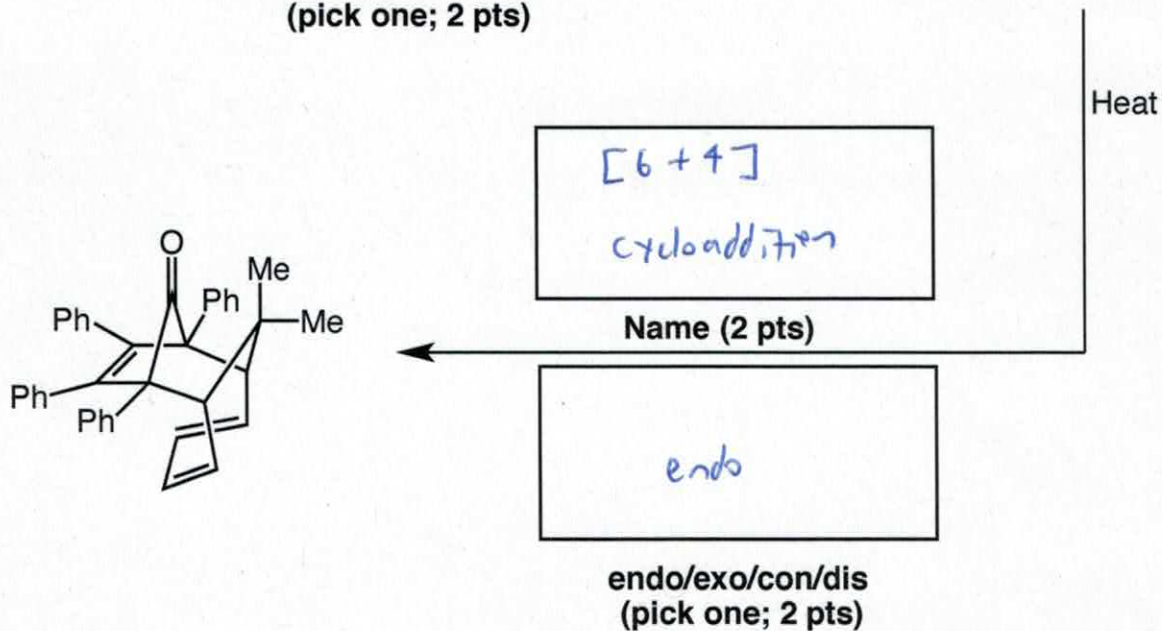
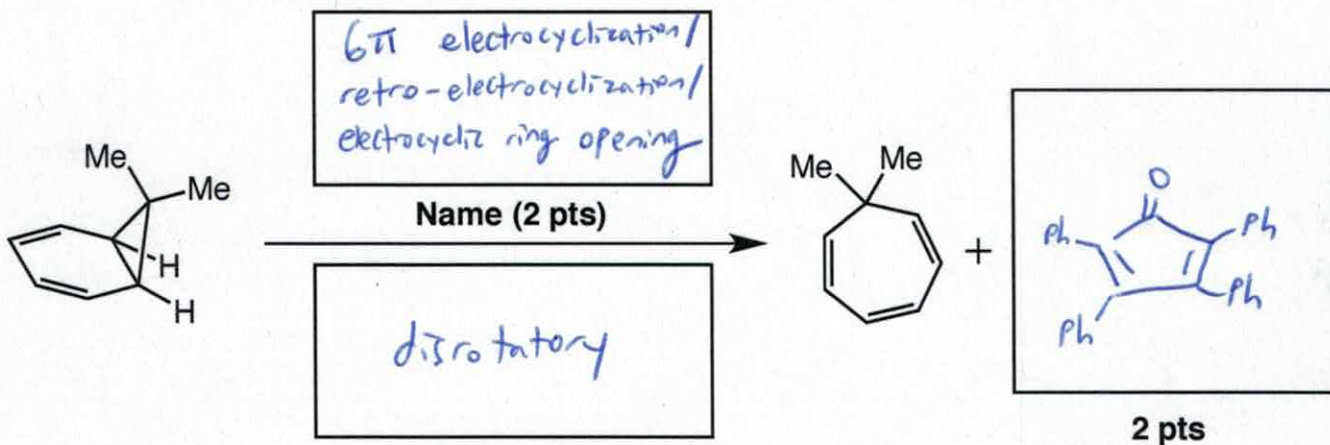
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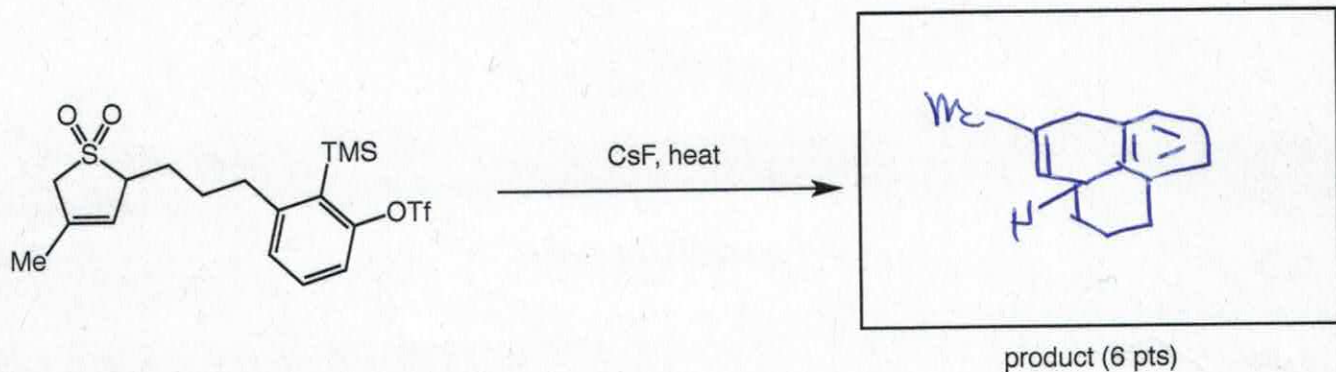
**Question 1 (10 points):**

Fill in the following boxes for the sequence of pericyclic processes that involve only the addition of heat. Be specific with the number of electrons (e.g.,  $[m+n]$ ,  $[x,y]$ ,  $n\pi$ ) involved in each process

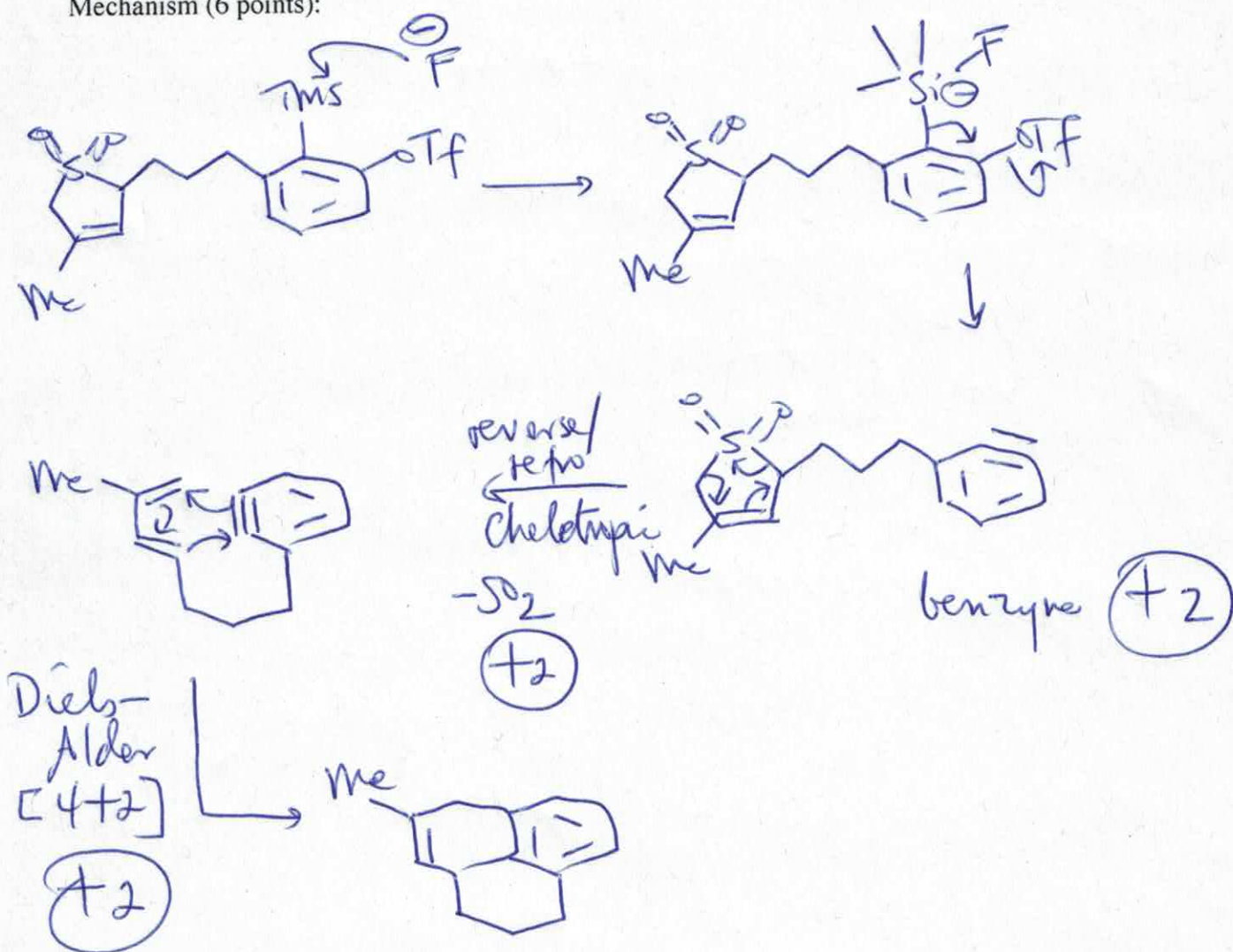


**Question 2 (12 points):**

Predict the product of the following reaction and show the mechanism for its formation knowing that it involves a cheletropic reaction. Indicate the cheletropic step in your mechanism and also show byproducts.

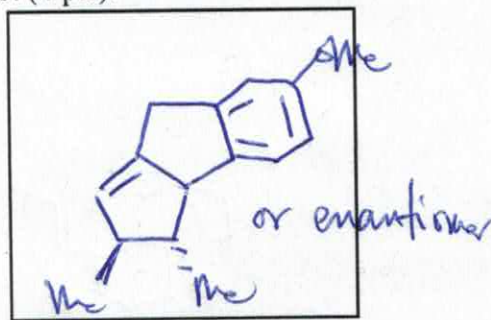
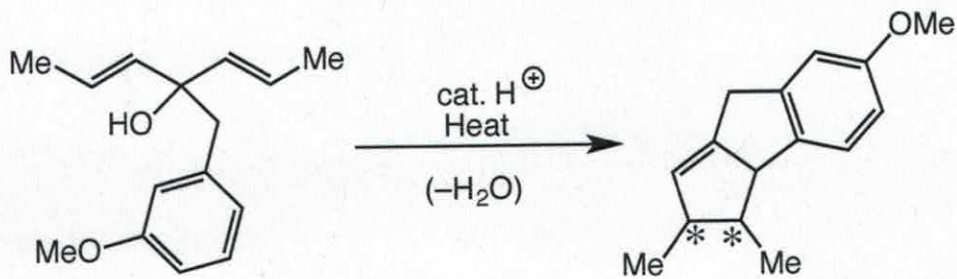


Mechanism (6 points):

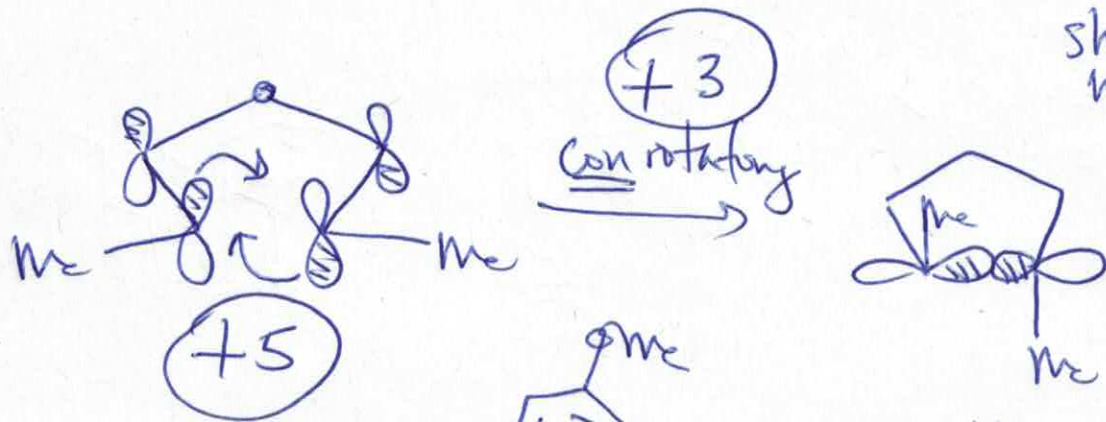
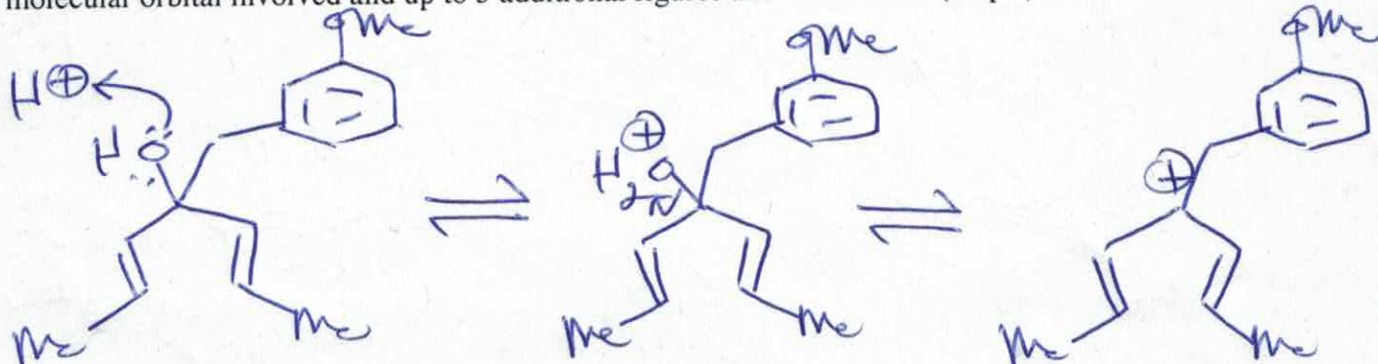


**Question 3 (15 points):**

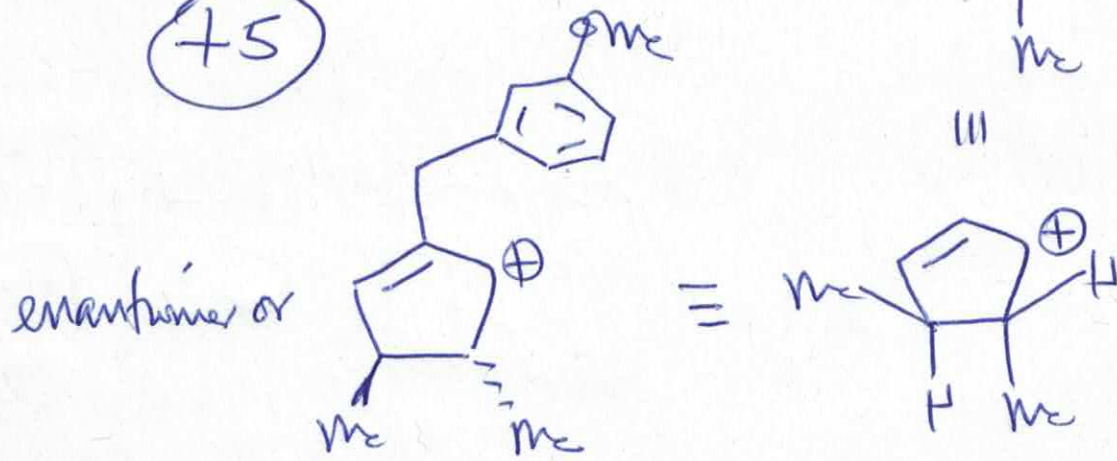
(a) Redraw the product shown below, indicating the stereochemistry at the asterisked positions for one enantiomer. This is a Nazarov cyclization/Friedel-Crafts alkylation sequence. (4 pts).



(b) Provide a rationalization for the stereochemistry you indicated in Part (a) using a drawing of the molecular orbital involved and up to 3 additional figures and 3 sentences (11 pts).

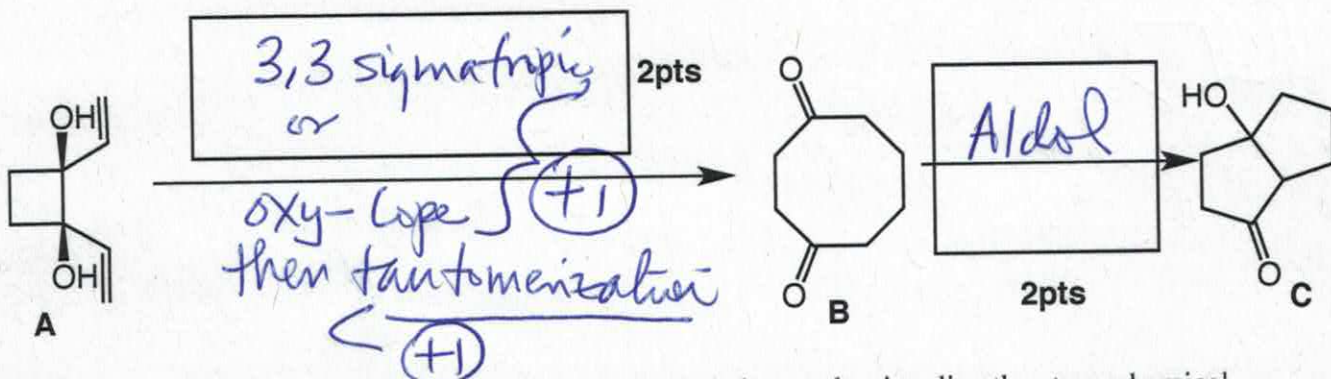


only need to show this intermediate  
 $+3$

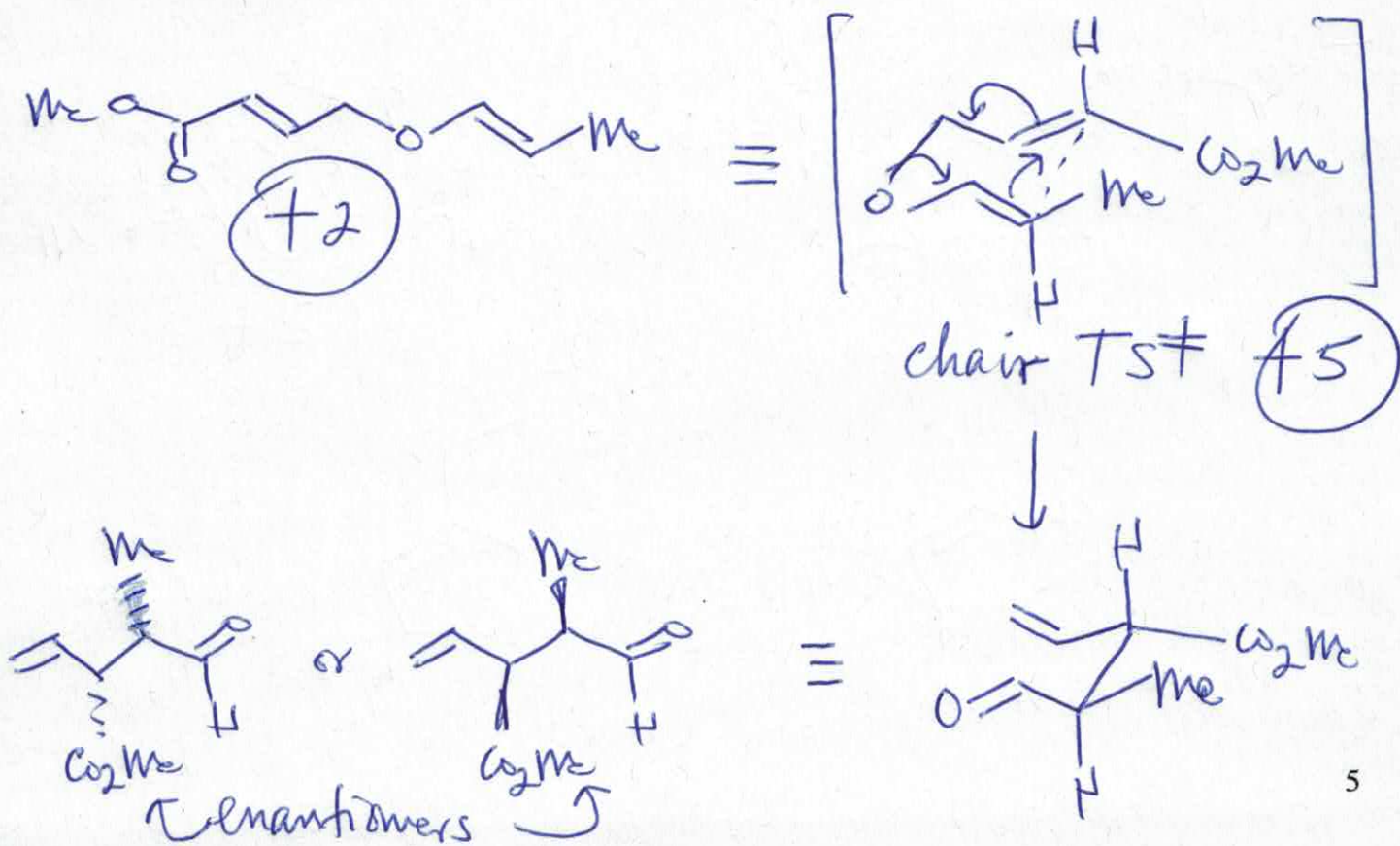
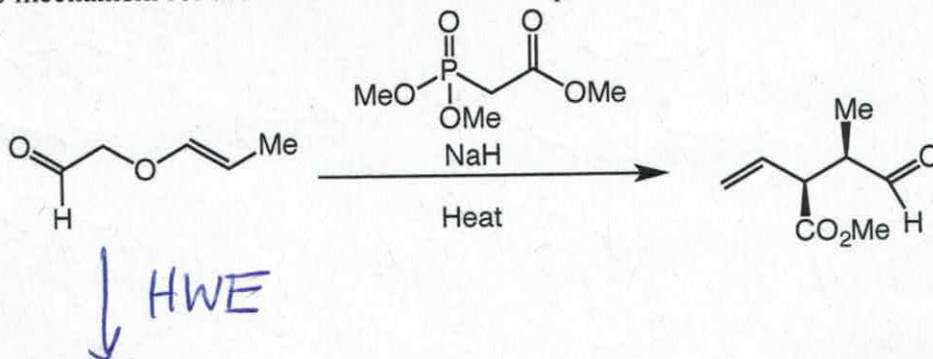


**Question 4 (15 Points):**

(a) Provide the names associated with the two transformations that convert **A** to **B** (upon heating) and then **B** to **C** in the boxes provided below (4 pts).

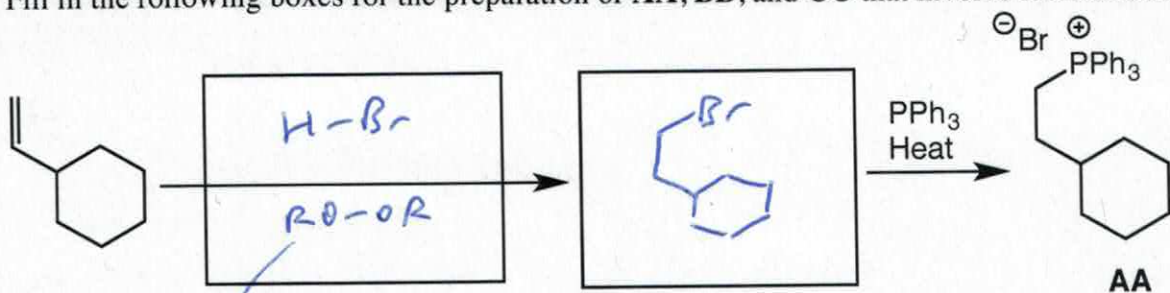


(b) Provide a mechanism for the transformation shown below and rationalize the stereochemical outcome given that the transformation involves a Horner-Wadsworth-Emmons (HWE) reaction (11 pts) (don't show the mechanism for the formation of the HWE product)



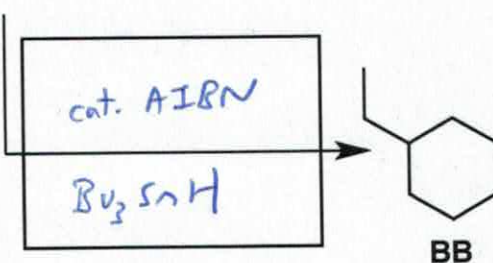
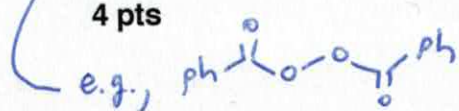
**Question 5 (16 points):**

Fill in the following boxes for the preparation of AA, BB, and CC that involve radical reactions.

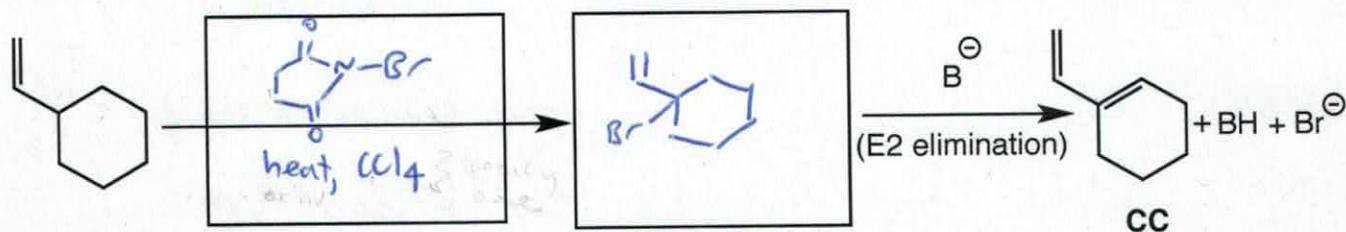


4 pts

2 pts



4 pts



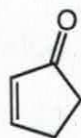
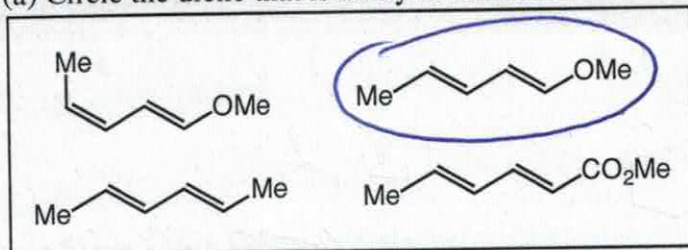
4 pts

2 pts

for just "NBS" (2 pts)

**Question 6 (14 pts)**

(a) Circle the diene that is likely to react fastest with the dienophile that is shown below (2 pts).



dienophile

(b) Using no more than 4 figures and 4 sentences, provide a rationalization for your answer to Part (a) (4 pts)

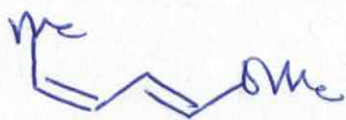
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Me-CH=CH-CH=CH-CO<sub>2</sub>Me electron-poor; least reactive

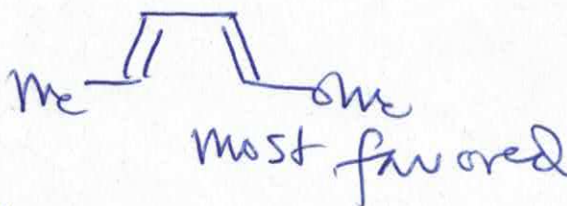
Me-CH=CH-CH=CH-Me electron neutral

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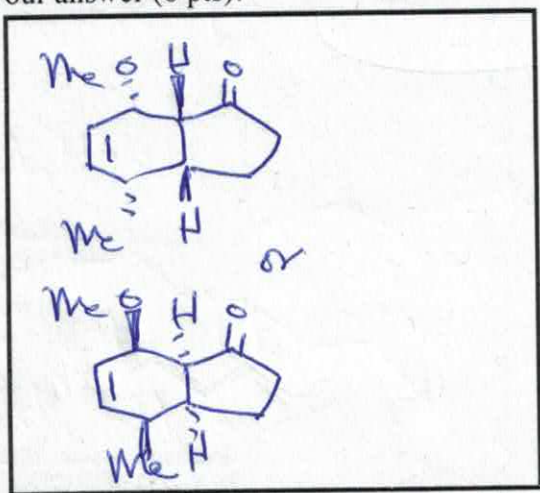
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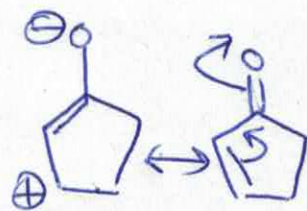
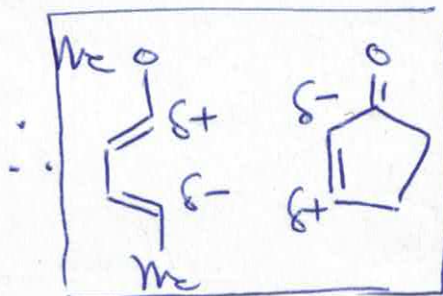
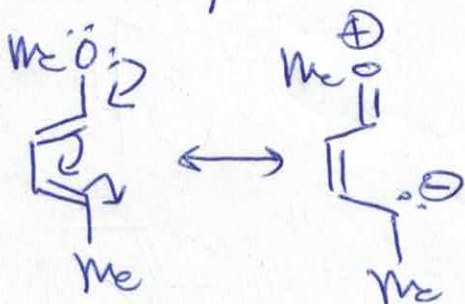


(c) Show the kinetic product that is formed in Part 6(a) in the box below (2pts). Using no more than 4 sentences and 4 figures, provide a rationalization for the stereochemical and regiochemical outcome of your answer (6 pts).

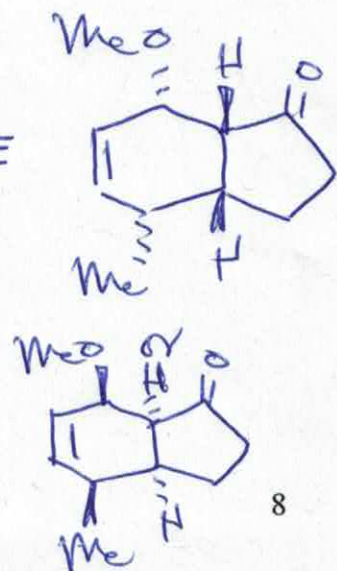
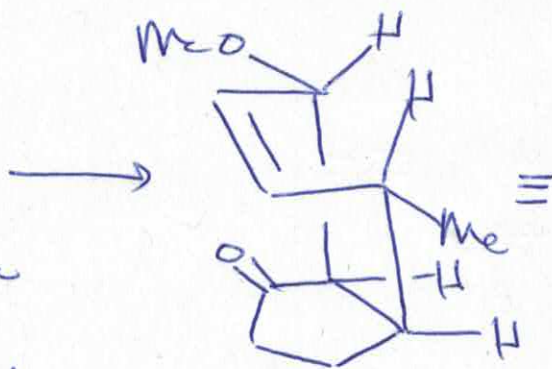
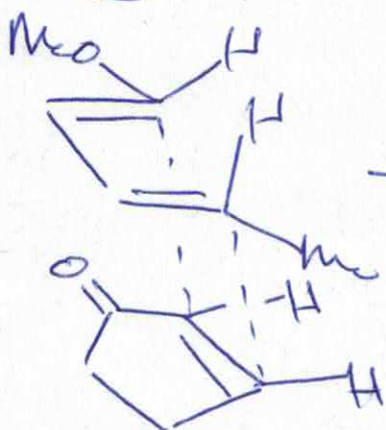


product with stereochem.  
(2 pts)

Regiochemistry: (+2)



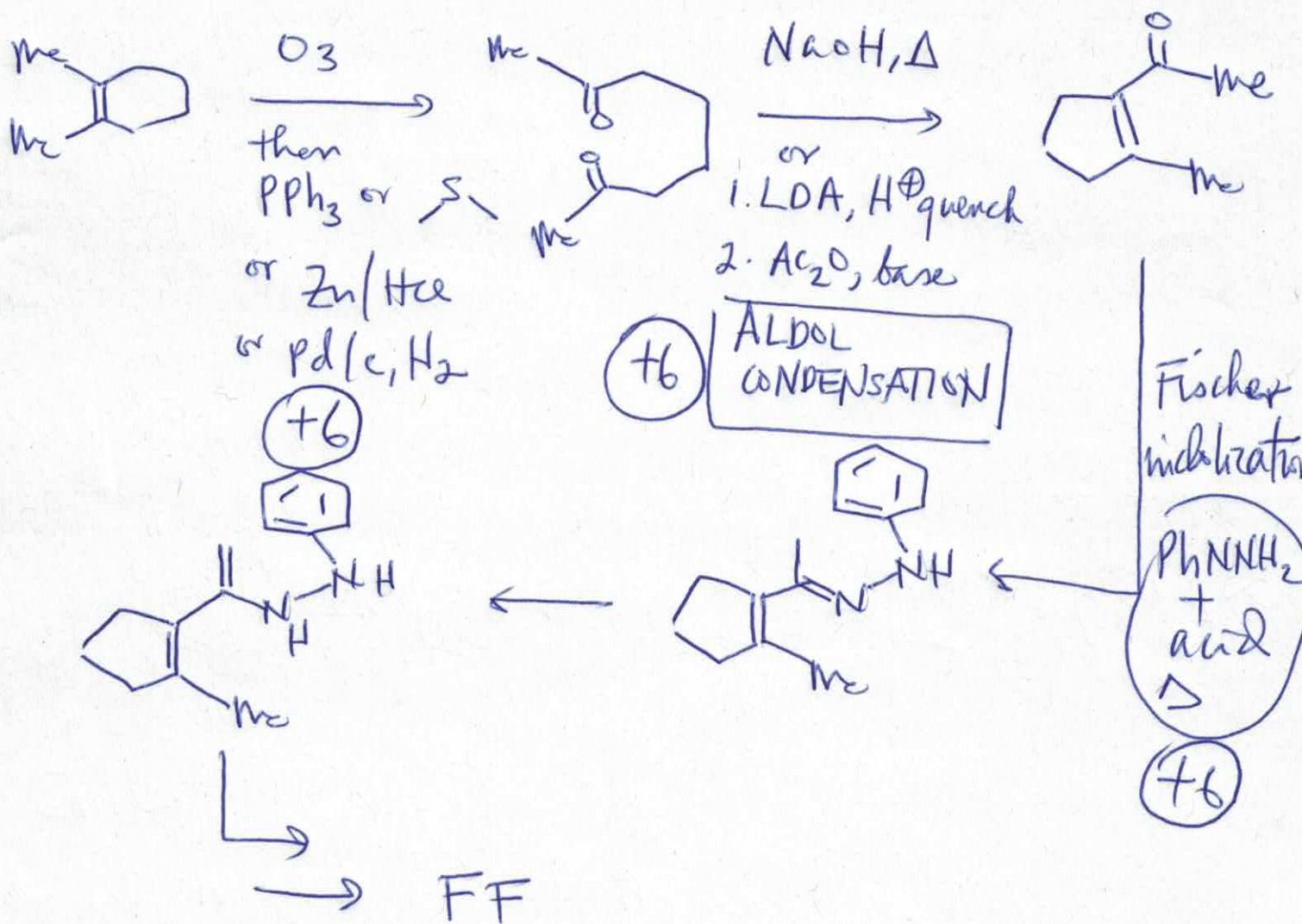
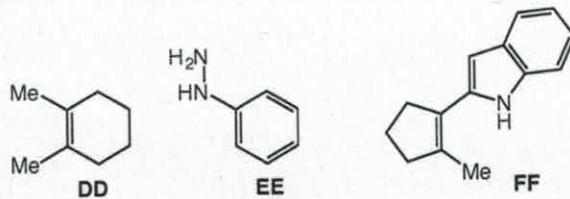
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**Question 7 (18 points):**

Provide a synthesis of **FF** given **DD** and **EE** as starting materials. (Hint: a Fischer indolization is involved).



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