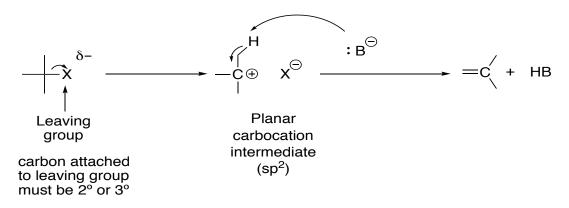
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3) Dehydration

E₁ Reaction:

- Rate depends on one concentraion
- Not concerted (carbocation intermediate)
- Not stereospecific
- Favoured with leaving group being 3°



Example #1:

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Zaitsev Rule: Get the more substituted alkene

Example:

Example #1:

$$\begin{array}{c} & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\$$

-OH and -OCH $_3$ are bad leaving groups and so these reactions would not occur spontaneously without an acid catalyst.

Example

$$E_1$$
 OCH₃ H_2SO_4 + HOCH₃ vs.

$$S_N1$$
 \longrightarrow OCH_3 $\xrightarrow{CH_3CH_2OH}$ \longrightarrow OCH_2CH_3 + $HOCH_3$

VS.

Substitution

- Low Temp

- Weaker Base

- Dilute H⁺

- Leaving group on 1° carbon

- Small Nucleophile

Elimination:

- High Temp

- Stronger Base

- Conc. H⁺

- 2°, 3°

- Large Nucleophile