CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION

From a variation of several parameters in dealumination of H-MOR (Si/Al = 11) by

acid leaching, dealuminated samples with required Si/Al ratios in catalyst can be prepared

precisely from using a relation plotted in Scheme 4.1. The curvature at low Si/Al ratio was

real and tested by preparing the H-MOR sample with the Si/Al of 20 using extrapolation on

the curve and the analysis result shows that the Si/Al ratio in product is 19.

The catalysts with various Si/Al ratios are all active with conversion of 100% for

degradation of polypropylene and polyethylene at 450°C. The %conversion is not affected by

Si/Al ratio but strongly affected by temperature. With increasing temperature, the value of

conversion increases. However, at the temperature above 450°C the conversion is not affected

by temperature. At or above 450°C, propylene is obtained at a highest composition in gaseous

products obtained from both polypropylene and polyethylene degradation. In volatile liquid

fraction, C9+ is obtained at the high selectivity. The large pore system of mordenite plays an

important role on product selectivity. Both Brønsted acid and Lewis acid sites have strong

effect on the activity of the catalyst.

Suggestions: Liquid product compositions shall be analyzed using GC-MS.