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## Exam Length = 90 min DO NOT REMOVE ANY PAGES FROM THIS EXAM PACKET.

### Directions for drawing molecules, reactions, and electron-pushing mechanisms:

Draw all lone pairs, bonds, arrows, formal charges, and stereochemistry explicitly in all molecular structures.

#### **Directions for all calculations:**

Explicitly show all work on all calculations and include all important labels.

#### Directions for analyzing graded spectra:

- Label each set of equivalent protons using the H<sub>a</sub>, H<sub>b</sub>, H<sub>c</sub> etc. labeling system. Assign each <sup>1</sup>H-NMR signal and write your assignments directly onto the spectrum. Use the empirical chemical shift parameters (Curphy-Morrison parameters) or chemical shift tables found at the end of the exam to *assist* your <sup>1</sup>H-NMR analysis and signal assignments.
- Assign the hybridization of the <sup>13</sup>C-atoms responsible for each <sup>13</sup>C-NMR signal. Identify specific functional group signals; you do not need to assign individual carbon atoms to each signal.
- Assign each key **IR** absorption band >1500 cm<sup>-1</sup> to a specific functional group. Draw a part structure responsible for the vibration next to each band.
- Draw fragments for all labeled peaks in the **EI-MS** directly onto the spectrum (you do not need to show the fragmentation mechanism unless directed to do so).

- 1) The spectra below were obtained from an organic molecule ( $C_8H_6O_3$ ). Determine the structure of the molecule using the spectra provided and by answering the questions below. (23 pts total)
- a) Calculate the number of double bond equivalencies, unsaturation number, or the index of hydrogen deficiency for this molecule using the equation provided. (2 pts)

$$IHD = \frac{2C + N - H - X + 2}{2}$$

b) Based upon the chemical formula, index of hydrogen deficiency, and the IR spectrum below, suggest which organic functional groups are possible/likely in this molecule. Label the signal from each suggested functional group. (**3 pts**)



c) Use the <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum below, collected in CDCl<sub>3</sub>, to identify the hybridization of each <sup>13</sup>C-atom and identify any key functional group signals. Only the peak-picked signals are from the desired molecule,  $C_8H_6O_3$ . (3 pts)



d) Use the information from parts a – c and the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum (collected in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) below to determine the structure of the molecule and assign each <sup>1</sup>H-atom. Label each set of equivalent protons using the  $H_a$ ,  $H_b$ ,  $H_c$ , *etc.* labeling system. Draw your answer in the box on this page. (10 pts)



e) Confirm your structure determination by use of the EI-Mass spectrum provided below. Provide an electron pushing mechanism that accounts for the appearance of signals with m/z = 150, 149, and 121. Show all lone pairs and formal charges. (5 pts)



Aldol condensation reactions are effective methods for forming C–C bonds between electrophilic and nucleophilic C-atoms. The specific reaction below is the Claisen-Schmidt reaction which is a variant of the aldol addition/condensation involving an aldehyde and a ketone. Depending on conditions the final product can be a β-hydroxy ketone or an α,β-unsaturated ketone (*via* E1cb) as shown below. (27 pts total)



a) Estimate the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR chemical shifts of each <sup>1</sup>H-atom attached to an aryl or vinyl group in the two most likely products below using empirical (Curphy-Morrison) parameters. Clearly label which values you have chosen in each case. (6 pts)



b) What spectroscopic evidence is there for the *trans* stereochemical assignment of the  $\alpha$ , $\beta$ -unsaturated carbonyl compound? Make specific reference to the spectrum of the product mixture on the subsequent pages. (**3 pts**)

c) While two stereoisomeric  $\beta$ -hydroxy ketones can be formed in this reaction, only a single unique <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum is generated by this mixture. Explain why these two isomers produce the same spectrum. (**3 pts**)

d) On the spectrum below collected in CDCl<sub>3</sub>, assign all <sup>1</sup>H-NMR signals to their corresponding <sup>1</sup>H-atoms in the product(s) using the  $H_A$  through  $H_J$  labeling system given. Write all assignments on the product structure provided on the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum. In cases of overlapping signals, non-equivalent <sup>1</sup>H-atoms can be given the same label. (**10 pts**)







f) In the <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum below collected in CDCl<sub>3</sub>, identify the hybridization of each <sup>13</sup>C-atom and identify any key functional group signals for each peak-picked signal. (**3 pts**)



3) The aromatic heterocycle 4-aminopyridine readily reacts with HCl to produce one of two potential protonated species. With two nitrogen atoms 4-aminopyridine could potentially be protonated at two sites; however, only one protonated species is obtained from this reaction. Investigate this reaction using computational chemistry. (25 pts)



a) The conformational potential energy surface of 4-aminopyridine has two structures that can be optimized, one with  $C_s$  symmetry and one with  $C_{2v}$  symmetry. Given their structures and the information provided regarding their vibrational frequencies, depict the location of each isomer on a potential energy surface. (4 pts)



b) The two *N*-atom lone pairs are substantially different in their hybridization, orientation, and impact on the stability of 4-aminopyridine. Using the B3LYP/6-31G(d) optimized structures and the NBO output excerpt below, provide the VSEPR-predicted and the NBO-predicted hybridization of each N-atom lone pair in the sp<sup>x</sup> notation. (4 pts)



c) Draw a series of resonance structures for 4-aminopyridine that depict any interaction between the two *N*-atom lone pairs and the conjugated  $\pi$ -system. (4 pts)

d) Draw a rough sketch of the  $\pi_1$  molecular orbital of 4-aminopyridine. (2 pts)

e) Basicity is a thermodynamic property, because simple H<sup>+</sup> transfers are fully reversible processes. Therefore the relative basicity of two atoms in the same molecule can be estimated by considering the stabilities of their protonated forms. Using the optimized structures below of each *N*-protonated-4-aminopyridine, determine the relative energy of each species in kcal/mol setting the lowest energy isomer to 0.0 kcal/mol. (4 pts)

Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value		
Job History	200348,200351,200353	Job History	200348,200352		
Route	#N B3LYP/6-31G(d) OPT FREQ Geom=Connectivity	Route	#N B3LYP/6-31G(d) OPT FREQ Geom=Connectivity		
Stoichiometry	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>7</sub> N <sub>2</sub> (1+)	Stoichiometry	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>7</sub> N <sub>2</sub> (1+)		
Symmetry	CS	Symmetry	C2V		
Basis	6-31G(d)	Basis	6-31G(d)		
RB3LYP Energy	-303.97925617 Hartree	RB3LYP Energy	-304.037071614 Hartree		
ZPE	0.119753 Hartree	ZPE	0.120136 Hartree		
Conditions	298.150K, 1.00000 atm	Conditions	298.150K, 1.00000 atm		
Internal Energy	-303.853367 Hartree	Internal Energy	-303.911217 Hartree		
Enthalpy	-303.852423 Hartree	Enthalpy	-303.910273 Hartree		
Free Energy	-303.890280 Hartree	Free Energy	-303.945411 Hartree		
Cv	22.295 cal/mol-K	Cv	22.899 cal/mol-K		
Entropy	79.677 cal/mol-K	Entropy	73.955 cal/mol-K		
Dipole Moment	9.6197 Debye 🔎	Dipole Moment	0.4291 Debye 🔎		
Server	batch (202738)	Server	batch (202737)		
CPU time	351.4 sec	CPU time	160.2 sec		

f) Identify which *N*-atom is most basic. Rationalize its relative basicity based upon the computational data. (4 pts)

g) When the pyridyl *N*-atom is protonated in 4-aminopyridine, the amino group at the other end of the molecule flattens. Rationalize this structure change with appropriate chemical concepts and depictions. (3 pts)



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Problem 1	Problem 2	Problem 3	
a)/2	a)/6	a)/4	
b)/3	b)/3	b)/4	
c)/3	c)/3	c)/4	
d)/10	d)/10	d)/2	
e)/5	e)/2	e)/4	
	f)/3	f)/4	
		g)/3	

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