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Question 1 (25 pts.) In each case give the STRONGER Bronsted acid of the two structures A and B and give a BRIEF explanation for your choice.
Give drawings of the conjugate base anions including ALL resonance contributors as appropriate
Each of your explanations MUST mention the possible roles of RESONANCE and the INDUCTIVE EFFECT, even if there is none in these particular cases


A is the stronger acid, the conjugate base anion in A is more stabilized by the inductive effect of the electronegative fluorines, the inductive effect is greater in A than B because the fluorines are closer to the non-bonding electrons of the base, the non-bonding electrons are not stabilized by resonance and the -CF3 substituent does not donate electrons by resonance

$B$ is the stronger acid, the conjugate base anion in $A$ is directly DEstabilized by the resonance donation effect of the -NMe2 substituent, which is more important than the inductive effect of the nitrogen, in B the anion is not directly destabilized since there is no partial negative charge on the carbon with the -NMe2 substituent
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Question 2 (first part, 21 pts.) For each reaction

1) Provide the missing reagents/conditions
2) State whether each reaction is an Addition, Elimination, Substitution or Rearrangement
3) State whether each reaction is Reduction, Oxidation or Neither
a)

$\xrightarrow{\text { 1. Excess } \mathrm{NaNH}_{2} / \text { heat }}$
2. $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$


b)


b)




addition reduction

elimination neither reduction


Question 2 (second part, 21 pts.) Glve the major organic product of the following reactions DO NOT STATE whether the reaction is Addition/Eimination/Substitution/Rearrangement DO NOT STATE whether each reaction is reduction/oxidation/neither
c)


3. 1 Equiv. HBr

2. PCC

c)



d)



2. $\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}$
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Question 3 (14 pts.) In the provided structure, identify TWO carbon-carbon bonds that can be made using a Grignard reaction, give the structures of the Grignard and moelecule that it reacts with, acid workup steps are assumed you do not need to include them. CLEARLY indicate the C-C bond you are making in each reaction with an arrow


Question 4 (7 pts.) In the provided structure, explain why the bond indicated with the arrow can NOT be made in a Grignard reaction.

this bond would have to have been made by Grignard addition to the most substituted end of an epoxide

Question 5 (10 pts.) Give the IUPAC name for the following compound. Be sure to use cis/trans, E/Z or R/S where appropriate.


Question 6 (5 pts.) An alkyne reacts slower than an alkene in an electrophilic addition reaction because....
the electrons in the pi-bonds are lower in energy in the alkyne because the sp hybridization results in a shorter C-C bond and better overlap between the 2 sets of $p$ atomic orbitals

5 pts Extra Credit. organic metals can be made by polymerizing.....
epoxides
from "O-Chem in Real Life" page : organic Metals, week \#3
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Question 7 ( 36 pts.) Show how you would synthesize the target componds on the right from the starting compounds on the left. Show reagents and conditions, and the structures of important intermediate compounds. Do not show any (arrow pushing) mechanisms.
a)






b)




1. $\mathrm{BH}_{3}$. THF
2. ${ }^{-} \mathrm{OH} / \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}$



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Question 8 ( 36 pts). For EACH, give a complete curved arrow pushing mechanism, and...

1) Show ALL important resonance contributors for all intermediates.
2) Add non-bonding electrons and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}$ bonds to the line-angle structures as required.
3) Indicate the Lewis acid/Lewis base (LA, LB) at each step as appropriate, and whether they are also Brønsted acids/bases (LA/BA, LB,BB).

b)




part c) is not a trick, it is a simple 1-step reaction, do the curved arrow-pushing for the one step
