Chem 41c Midterm Exam

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The exam begins when you turn to page 2. You have 55 minutes to complete the exam. This is a closed note and closed book exam with no collaboration. You may use the periodic table at the front of the room or the one on the last page of this packet. You may not use any other materials. The exam has a total of 60 points. Good luck.

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1. Predict the major non-volatile products (if any) of the following reactions or sequences. (3 points each)

a.

b.

c.

d.

e.

OTf
$$\frac{1. \text{ Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4, \text{ Et}_3\text{N}}{\text{DMF}, 120 °\text{C}}$$

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f.

g. (6 points)

2. Provide reagents for the following transformations. They may be multistep processes. (3 points each)

a.

b.

3. Predict the product and provide a reasonable and detailed mechanism for the following reaction (5 points).

answer

4. a) The following reaction produces a valuable synthetic intermediate (1) in high yield. Provide the structure of 1. (2 points)

H₃CO, CH₃

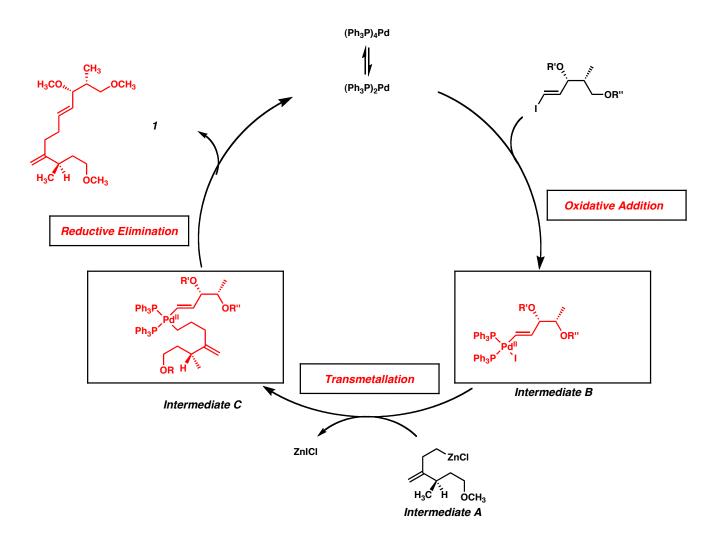
1. t·BuLi, THF,
$$-78 \, ^{\circ}$$
C

2. ZnCl₂, THF, $-78 \, ^{\circ}$ C \rightarrow 22 $^{\circ}$ C

H₃C H OCH₃

Intermediate A

b) A catalytic cycle for this reaction is shown below, with key aspects missing. Fill in the boxes with names (e.g., associative ligand substitution) describing each of the key steps and provide the structure of intermediates **B** and **C**. (10 points)

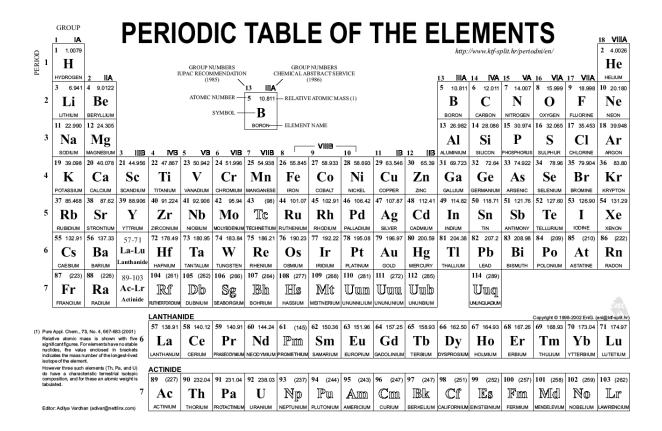


4c. Next, fill in the blanks indicating the oxidation state, *d* electron count and the total electron count of the metal species involved. Last, what is the name of this reaction (Bonus)? (8 points-2 point bonus

	(Ph ₃ P) ₄ Pd	$(Ph_3P)_2Pd$	Intermediate B	Intermediate C
Metal oxidation state:	0	0	+2	+2
Metal <i>d</i> count:	d ¹⁰	d ¹⁰	d⁶	d ⁸
Total electron count:	18	14	16	16

bonus: Negishi Coupling

5. Predict the product of this reaction sequence. Provide a reasonable arrow pushing mechanism for the first step of the sequence and provide the product of that step. (5 points)



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