## Answer on Question #52198 - Chemistry - Organic Chemistry

## **Question:**

- 10. a) Compare the basicities of pyridine and pyrrole.
- (2) b) Predict the major and minor products of the following reactions:
- (3) i) Nitration of azole ii) Friedel-Crafts acylation of pyrrole iii) Friedel-Crafts alkylation of pyridine
- 11. Complete the following reactions:
- (5) i) CH3MgXii) H+/H2Ob)c)d)CH3SCH3+H2O2H+298 KC6H5 OHe)CH3CH2OC2H5i) NaBH4

## Answer 10:

- a) Since the pyridine ring have 5 pi-electrons from carbons and 1 one from the nitrogen atom the electron pair on the nitrogen still has a capability to bind a proton. On the contrary, the pyrrole pi-system consists of 4 pi-electrons from carbons and 2 electrons belonged to the lone pair from the nitrogen atom. Therefore the capability to accept a proton is reduced. Thus, the pyrrole is the weaker base than pyridine.
- b) Alkylation and nitration of the azoles especially pyrrole occurs at the 2-position. Although some minor amount of the 3-substituted derivative also is formed. For pyridine, the nucleophilic substitution goes very hard and can only be at the 3-position (meta-derivative).

(i) 
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## Answer 11:

- (i)  $CH_3MgX + H_2O \rightarrow CH_4 + Mg(OH)X$
- (ii)  $CH_3SCH_3 + H_2O_2 \rightarrow CH_3S(O)CH_3 + H_2O$