

## Fifty Ways (Paul Simon)

Doc said that page three would not be that hard to do,  
Just push electrons for what happens on page two.  
Why does it look like everything here is brand new?  
There must be fifty ways to make this product.

Why do I always have to start with an alkane?  
Finding out the stereochem always hurts my brain.  
But I'll try again, with this seven-carbon chain.  
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Boron add alcohols anti-Markovnikov,  
Diels-Alder makes a ring by forming two new carbon bonds.  
Doc did a cartwheel then, and just continued on-  
About the fifty ways

I think I'll try the NMR just once again;  
Count SODAR, obey HONC, and label all my hydrogen  
Check for resonance, then wait for Doc and his red pen.  
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