AME 60636 Homework 2 Due: Friday, 30 January 2009, in class

Consider a problem of hydrogen dissociation and recombination:

$$H_2 + M \rightleftharpoons H + H + M.$$

- 1. Consider the approviate parameters for the reaction as found in the 2005 AIAA Journal paper found in the documents section of the course home page. Take $T = 6000 \ K$. Find thermodynamic properties from any standard thermodynamics textbook. Write a code in Fortran and Mathematica to calculate the concentrations as a function of time if initial concentrations are $\bar{\rho}_{H_2} = 0.001 \ mol/cm^3$, $\hat{\rho}_H = 0.001 \ mol/cm^3$. Give plots of concentration versus time and pressure versus time.
- 2. For the same initial conditions, generate a plot of how the equilibrium concentrations of H and H_2 vary with temperature.
- 3. Give a plot of how the time scales found by linearization behave as temperature is varied over a wide range.
- 4. Using an appropriate text or the AME 60636 course notes for guidance, give a derivation linking K_p to K_c .