AME 60636 Examination 1 Prof. J. M. Powers 23 February 2022

1. Consider the irreversible reaction mechanism

$$\begin{array}{rrrr} 1:H_2+O_2&\rightarrow &OH+OH\\ 2:H+O_2&\rightarrow &OH+O\\ 3:C+2O&\rightarrow &CO_2\\ 4:C+H&\rightarrow &CH. \end{array}$$

- (a) Identify the number of species N, reactions J, and elements L.
- (b) Find the  $L \times N$  species-element matrix  $\phi$ .
- (c) Find the  $N \times J$  stoichiometric reaction matrix  $\boldsymbol{\nu}$ .
- (d) Demonstrate  $\boldsymbol{\phi} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nu} = \boldsymbol{0}$ .
- (e) For isothermal, isochoric kinetics, write an ordinary differential equation for the evolution of the concentration of H; define any necessary constants.
- 2. Find the most general stoichiometric balance for the reaction

$$\nu'_1 H_2 + \nu'_2 O_2 \rightleftharpoons \nu''_3 H_2 O + \nu''_4 H_2 O_2$$

3. Species A and B have identical molecular masses and identical specific heats and undergo an irreversible reaction described by

$$A + A \to B + A.$$

The reaction is *adiabatic* and *isochoric*. The fixed volume is V, and no mass enters or exits the volume. At t = 0,  $T = T_o$ ,  $\overline{\rho}_A = \overline{\rho}_{Ao}$ , and  $\overline{\rho}_B = 0$ . The reaction has  $\mathcal{E} = 0$  and  $\beta = 0$ . It has collision frequency factor a, constant  $\overline{c}_v$ , and is exothermic.

- (a) Write an appropriate simple ordinary differential equations for the change of  $\overline{\rho}_A$  with respect to time.
- (b) Find the equilibrium concentration of A.
- (c) Find  $\overline{\rho}_A(t)$  and T(t).