

# Impact Analysis of Space Structure due to Collision with Hypervelocity Space Debris by using ASI-FEM

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**Prediction of damage against  
space debris collisions**



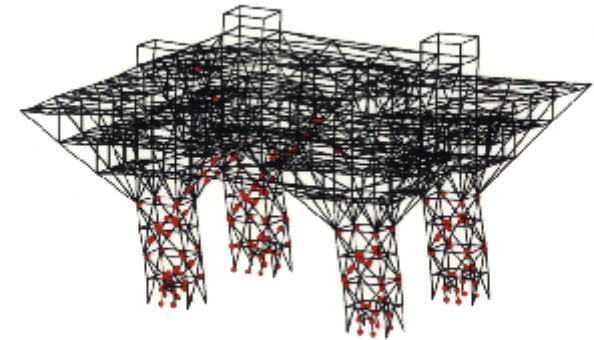
**Numerical approach**

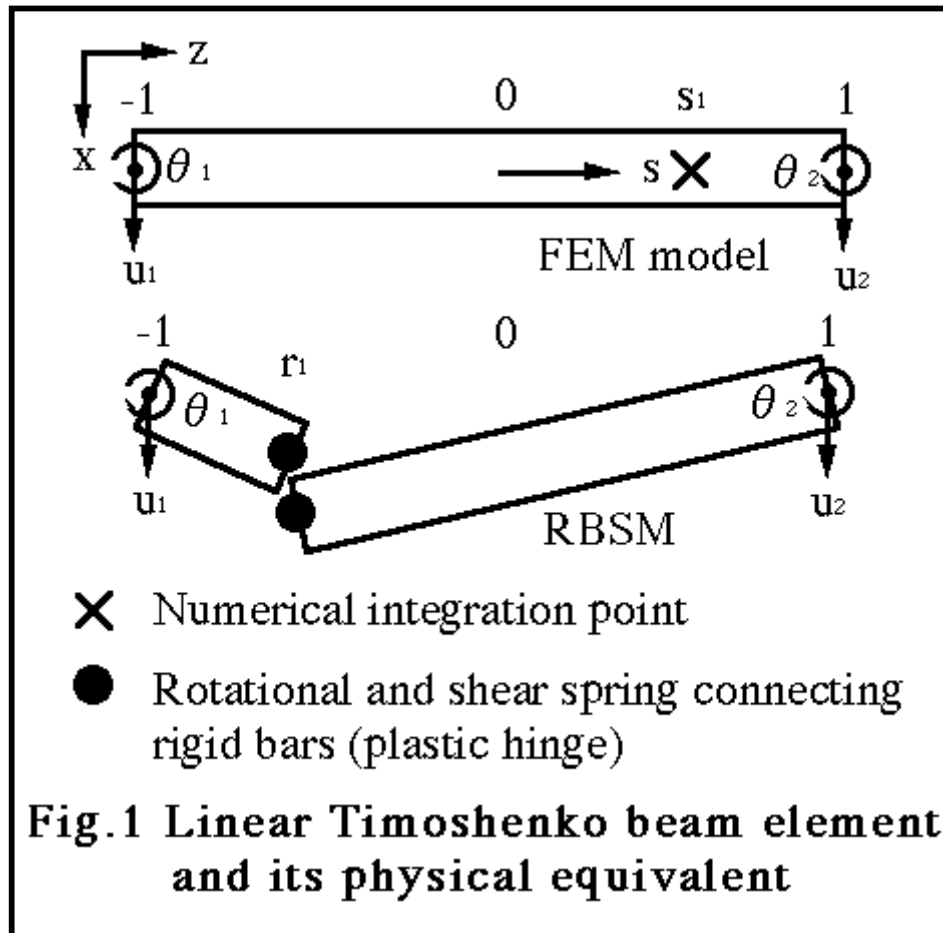


**Strong non-linearity and  
discontinuity**

## Adaptively Shifted Integration (ASI) technique

- **Very clear physical meanings**  
comparing strain energy approximations  
**FEM model**  $\longleftrightarrow$  **RBSM**(Rigid-Bodies Spring Model)
- **Simplicity**  
easy to implement into FEM codes
- **Low computational cost**  
accurate solutions by minimum number of elements





**Relation between the location of a numerical integration point and a plastic hinge**

$$s_1 = -r_1 \text{ or } r_1 = -s_1$$

where

**s<sub>1</sub>: position of a numerical integration point**

**r<sub>1</sub>: position of a plastic hinge or a fractured section**

## Incremental stiffness matrix and initial stress matrix

### • Elastically deformed element

$$[{}^n\bar{K}_L] = \int_{n_l} [{}^uT]^T \cdot [{}^0T]^T [{}^n\bar{B}_L(0)]^t [D^e(0)] [{}^n\bar{B}_L(0)] [{}^0T] \cdot [{}^uT] dl$$

$$[{}^n\bar{K}_{NL}] = \int_{n_l} [{}^uT]^T \cdot [{}^0T]^T [{}^n\bar{G}(0)]^t [{}^n\bar{S}(0)] [{}^n\bar{G}(0)] [{}^0T] \cdot [{}^uT] dl$$

### • Element with a plastic hinge at its left end

$$[{}^n\bar{K}_L] = \int_{n_l} [{}^uT]^T \cdot [{}^0T]^T [{}^n\bar{B}_L(1)]^t [D^p(-1)] [{}^n\bar{B}_L(1)] [{}^0T] \cdot [{}^uT] dl$$

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### • Internal force vector (elastic element)

$$\{{}^nF\} = \int_{n_l} [{}^0T]^T \cdot [{}^uT]^T \cdot [{}^n\bar{B}_L(0)]^T \cdot \{{}^n\bar{R}(0)\} dl$$

### • Released force vector (fully-plastic or fractured element)

$$\{{}^nF\} = \int_{n_l} [{}^0T]^T \cdot [{}^uT]^T \cdot [{}^n\bar{B}_L(1)]^T \cdot \{{}^n\bar{R}(-1)\} dl$$

# Criteria for member fracture

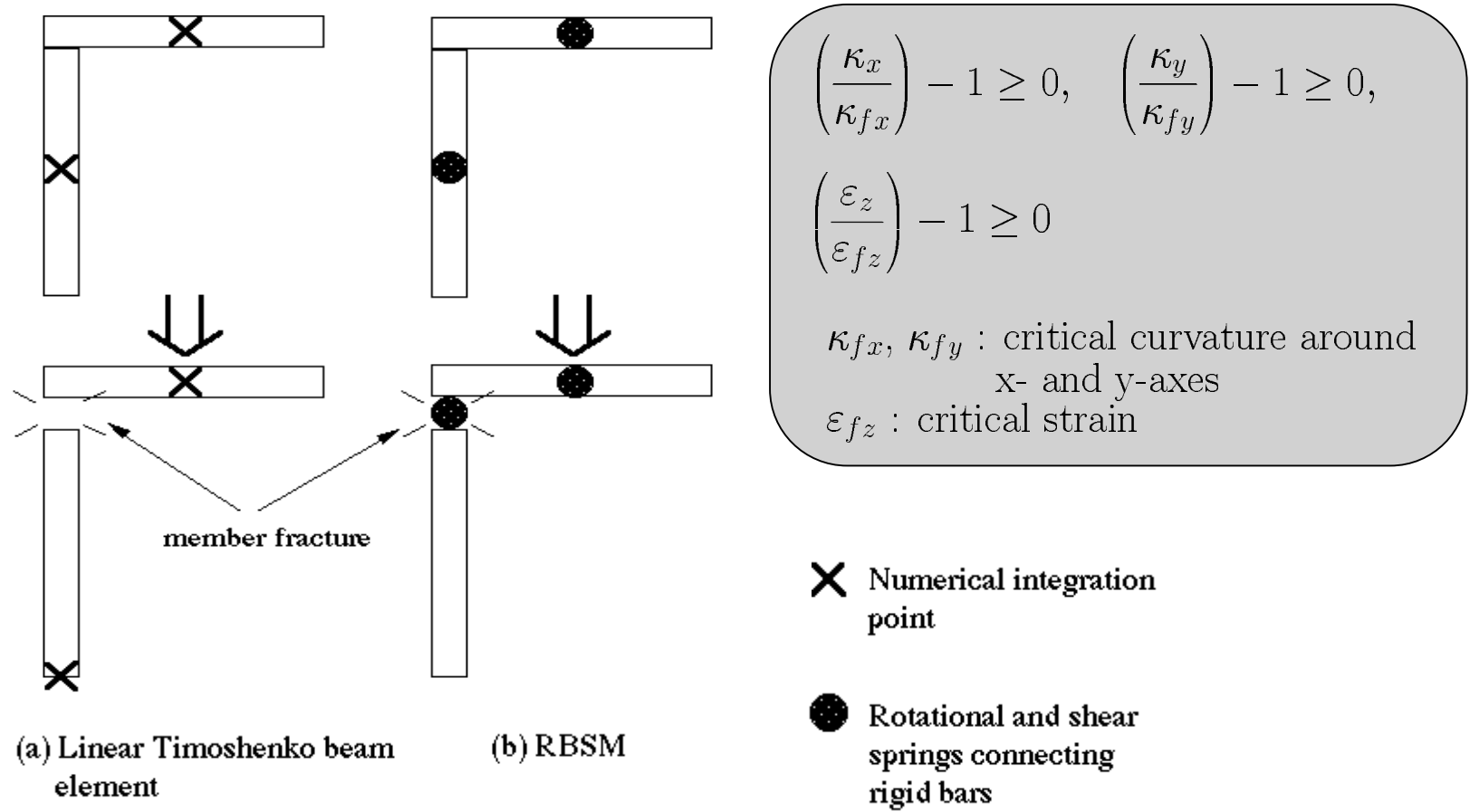


Fig. Member fracture in the ASI technique

# Conditions for the elements in contact algorithm

## Four nodes on a same plane from the initial stage

$$f(x, y, z) \equiv$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \{(y_{i1} - y_{f2})(z_{i2} - z_{f2}) - (y_{i2} - y_{f2})(z_{i1} - z_{f2})\}(x_{f1} - x_{f2}) \\ & + \{(x_{i2} - x_{f2})(z_{i1} - z_{f2}) - (x_{i1} - x_{f2})(z_{i2} - z_{f2})\}(y_{f1} - y_{f2}) \\ & + \{(x_{i1} - x_{f2})(y_{i2} - y_{f2}) - (x_{i2} - x_{f2})(y_{i1} - y_{f2})\}(z_{f1} - z_{f2}) \end{aligned}$$

$$= 0$$

## and existing in a specific distance

$$|\overline{A_1B_{i1}}| + |\overline{A_1B_{i2}}| \leq L_i, \quad |\overline{A_2B_{i1}}| + |\overline{A_2B_{i2}}| \leq L_i$$

## Not on a same plane, but nearly forming a plane

$$f(x, y, z) \leq 5.0 \times 10^6$$

## and existing in a specific distance

$$|\overline{A_1B_{i1}}| + |\overline{A_1B_{i2}}| + |\overline{A_2B_{i1}}| + |\overline{A_2B_{i2}}| \leq 1.8(L_f + L_i)$$

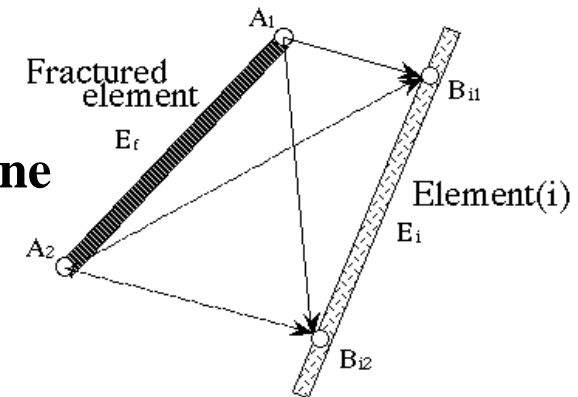


Fig.2a Contact conditions for a fractured element

## Binding conditions for the gap elements

- Four gap elements between the two elements in contact
- Same material properties with other elements
- Stiffness decreases after certain time steps

$(1.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ sec})$

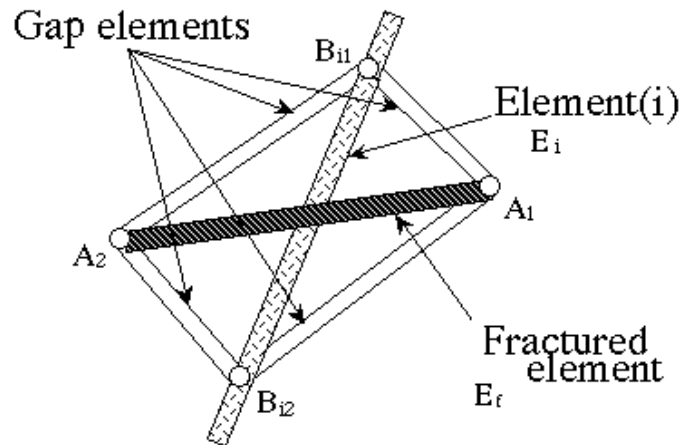


Fig.2b Gap elements in contact algorithm

# Numerical examples

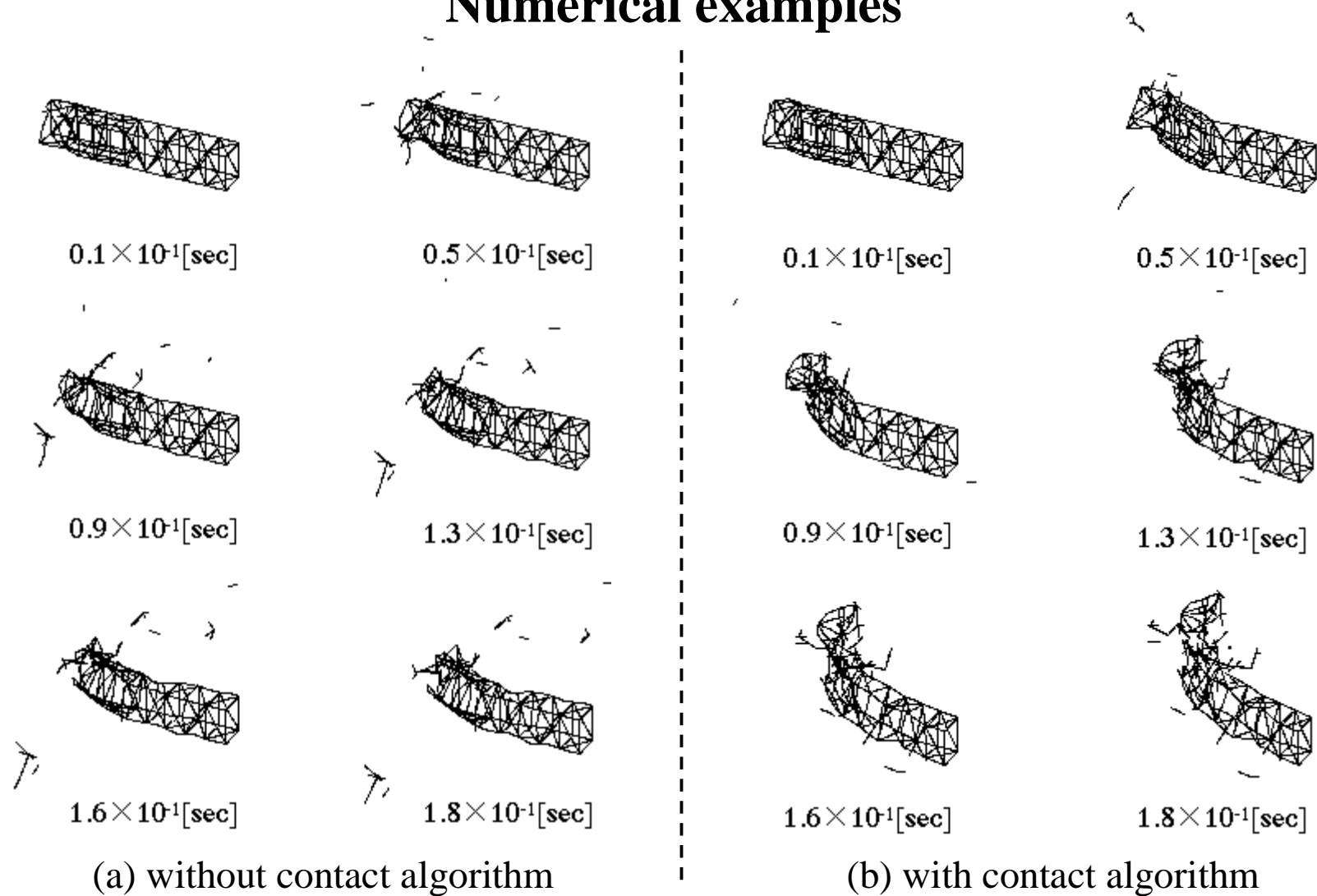
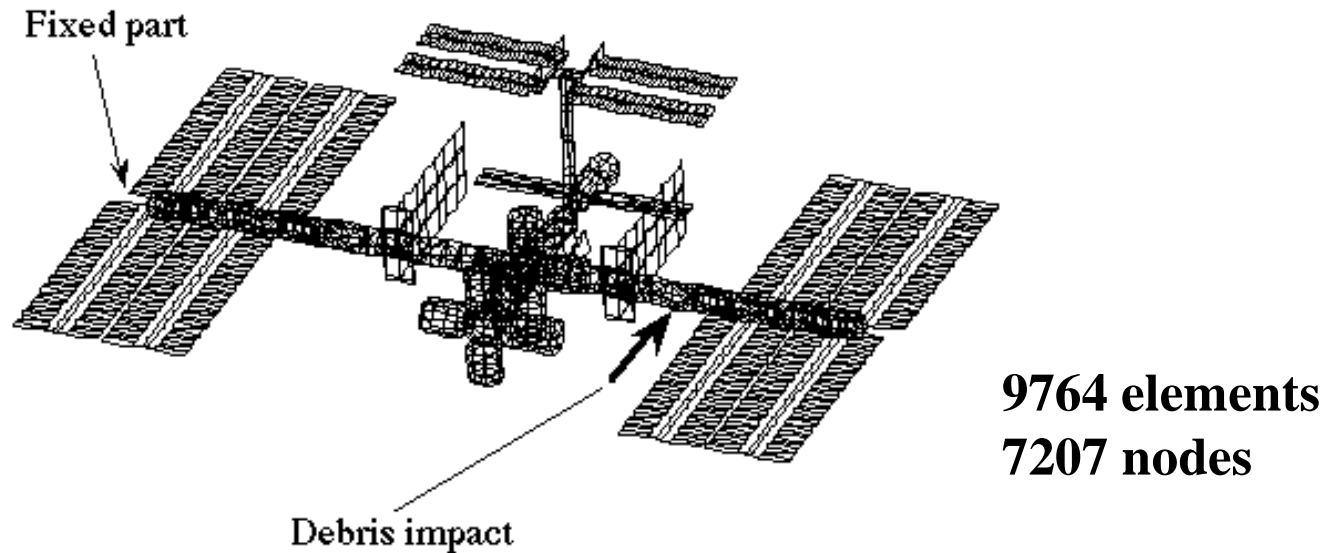


Fig. Debris impact analysis of a space module unit  
(5 km/sec)



# Debris impact analysis of ISS

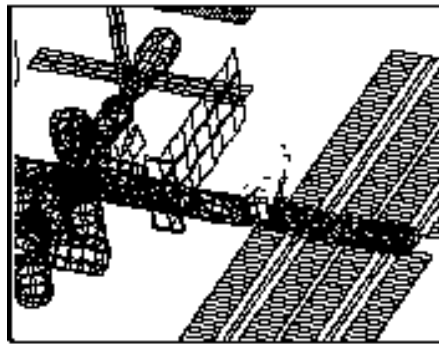


**Debris**  
**mass: 10 kg**  
**velocity: 5 km/sec**

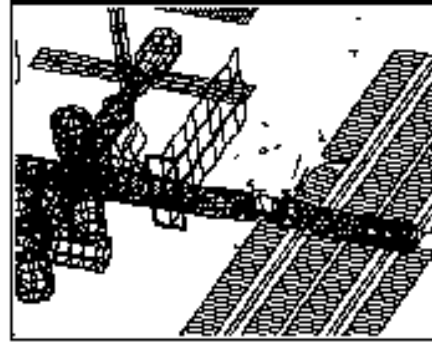
**Critical values for member fracture**

$$\begin{aligned}\kappa_{fx} &= \kappa_{fy} = 1.0 \times 10^{-3} \\ \varepsilon_{fz} &= 3.0 \times 10^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

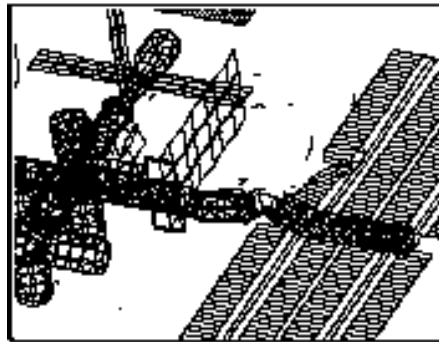
Fig.3 Analyzed model of ISS



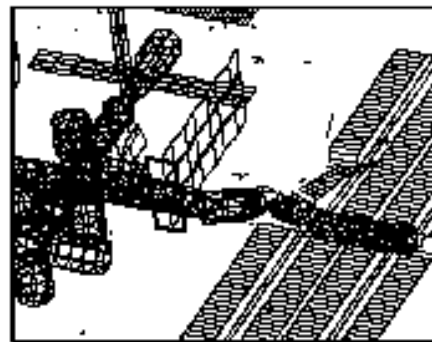
$0.3 \times 10^{-1}$  [sec]



$0.8 \times 10^{-1}$  [sec]



$1.3 \times 10^{-1}$  [sec]



$1.8 \times 10^{-1}$  [sec]

Implicit scheme  
(Newmark's  $\beta$  method)  
Incremental time:  
 $\Delta t = 0.4 \times 10^{-4}$  sec

Fig.4 Hypervelocity debris impact analysis of ISS

## Concluding remarks

ASI technique



Debris impact analysis



Practical expression of the damage process



Strong nonlinear (discontinuous) problems  
easily analyzed by FEM



• • may be applied to  
Structural design process of space structures