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#### A DEFORMATION MODEL OF FLEXIBLE, HIGH AREA-TO-MASS RATIO DEBRIS FOR ACCURATE PROPAGATION UNDER PERTURBATION

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### Outline

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**Conclusion and Future work** 

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## **Space Debris**

#### Space debris

- Artificial debris and natural debris.
- Orbit with hypervelocity that can threat to active spacecraft leading to catastrophic break-ups generating new space debris
- Need to reduce the number of debris.



#### Experiment



Gravity movie

# Space debris





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log A/M (m<sup>2</sup>/kg

Figure 17 Area-to-Mass Ratio from Shot F (Murakami, J., et al 2008)

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#### **Collision and explosion**

- Fengyun1-C

250

200

150

100 -

ncoming projectile

Incoming projectile

Figure 4 Test Conditions

Shot R

#### **Discovery in 2004 (GEO)**

**Discover HAMR objects** 

- -High area-to-mass ratio (HAMR) objects
- -Variations of light curves
- -Variations of area-to-mass ratio (AMR)

- Iridium 33 and Cosmos 2251

(Anselmo, L. and C. Pardini, 2010)

Experiment



Fig. 2. A/M distribution of the C

- Shot micro satellite model

250

200

150

100

log \_\_A/M [m<sup>2</sup>/kg]

Figure 18 Area-to-Mass Ratio from Shot R

#### **Suspected objects**





Multi-layer insulation





### Objective

- **1.** Develop a model of a thin, highly flexible MLI-type membrane, in terms of multi-body dynamics, and solved by using fundamental Newtonian mechanics
- 2. Investigate the orbital dynamics under J2 and the lunisolar third body gravitation and solar radiation pressure (SRP) by comparing with rigid body case
- **3.** Investigate a self-shadowing effect to the orbital dynamics of flexible debris



# flexible model

# The flexible model

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#### **Flat plate**



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# Simplification





Dimension 1 x 1 square meter  $I_1 = I_2 = 0.5$  (m)



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# Simplification

#### **Triangular shape**



Torsional Damper



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# **Multibody dynamics**

#### **Newtonian equation**

$$F_i + T_i + F_{s,i} + F_{d,i} = m_i a_i$$

Where i = mass of each (1,2 and 3)

#### Spring and damper forces

$$F_{s} = k_{s}\theta \qquad F_{d} = c \ \dot{\theta}$$
$$k_{s} = \frac{EI}{Length} \qquad c = DF\sqrt{Mk_{s}}$$

Where

 $k_s$  = rotational spring constant,

 $\theta$  = angle of deformation

- $\dot{\theta}$  = angular velocity of the deformation,
- E = young modulus

I = the moment of inertia of thin plate

*Length* = the length of each rod and is

C = Coefficient of torsion spring (N.m rad<sup>-1</sup>)

DF = dissipation factor of material

M = mass of rod (Kg)

Torsional Damper  $m_1$   $m_2$   $m_3$ Torsional spring

#### **Constrained equation**

$$(x_{i+1} - x_i)^2 + (y_{i+1} - y_i)^2 + (z_{i+1} - z_i)^2 = l_i^2$$

- Length of a rod = 0.5 m





# Simulation of the model

## Initial shape to test the model





# Validation of spring





# The simulation results without external force and damper by activating torsional spring

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#### The simulation with torsional spring and damper



# Orbital dynamics and Perturbation



# The modified equinoctial elements

$$\begin{split} \dot{p}_{i} &= \frac{2p}{w} \sqrt{\frac{p}{\mu}} \Delta_{i,i} \\ \dot{f}_{i} &= \sqrt{\frac{p}{\mu}} [\Delta_{i,r} \sin L + [(w+1)\cos L + f] \frac{\Delta_{i,i}}{w} - (h \sin L - k \cos L) \frac{g \Delta_{i,n}}{w}] \\ \dot{g}_{i} &= \sqrt{\frac{p}{\mu}} [-\Delta_{i,r} \cos L + [(w+1)\cos L + g] \frac{\Delta_{i,i}}{w} - (h \sin L - k \cos L) \frac{f \Delta_{i,n}}{w}] \\ \dot{h}_{i} &= \sqrt{\frac{p}{\mu}} \frac{s^{2}}{2w} \cos L \Delta_{i,n} \\ \dot{h}_{i} &= \sqrt{\frac{p}{\mu}} \frac{s^{2}}{2w} \cos L \Delta_{i,n} \\ \dot{k}_{i} &= \sqrt{\frac{p}{\mu}} \frac{s^{2}}{2w} \cos L \Delta_{i,n} \\ \dot{L}_{i} &= \sqrt{\mu p} (\frac{w}{p})^{2} + \frac{1}{w} \sqrt{\frac{p}{\mu}} (h \sin L - k \cos L) \Delta_{i,n} \end{split}$$

Where  $\mathcal{L}$  = gravitational constant

- $\omega$  = argument of perigee
- $\Omega$  = right ascension of ascending node degree
- e = eccentricity
- V = true anomaly
- a = semi-major axis(km)

i = Inclination

p = semi-parameter

- L = true longitude

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### J2 perturbations

$$a_{j2,I} = \frac{\partial R_2}{\partial x_I} = -\frac{3\mu J_2 R_{\oplus}^2 x_I}{2x^5} (1 - \frac{5x_K^2}{x^2})$$

$$a_{j2,J} = \frac{\partial R_2}{\partial x_J} = -\frac{3\mu J_2 R_{\oplus}^2 x_J}{2x^5} (1 - \frac{5x_K^2}{x^2})$$

$$a_{j2,K} = \frac{\partial R_2}{\partial x_K} = -\frac{3\mu J_2 R_{\oplus}^2 x_K}{2x^5} (3 - \frac{5x_K^2}{x^2})$$

#### The third body

$$\vec{a}_{k} = -G\sum_{k=1,2}M_{k}\left[\frac{\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{k}}{\left|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_{k}\right|^{3}} + \frac{\vec{x}_{k}}{\vec{x}_{k}^{3}}\right]$$

Where k = 1 and 2 (Sun and Moon)



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# Solar radiation pressure force



### **Solar radiation pressure force**





### Average solar radiation pressure

#### **Rigid body case**

#### Average SRP force

$$F_{avg} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \vec{F}_{rad,j} d\lambda_s d\delta_s$$

**Equivalent area** 

$$A_{eq} = \frac{F_{avg}}{P_{SP}(R)}$$

Where

$$P_{SP}(R) = \frac{E}{C} \frac{A_{\oplus}^2}{\left|\vec{x}_i - \vec{x}_{\oplus}\right|^2}$$

Therefore

$$F_{AVG} = -A_{eq} P_{SP}(R) \frac{\vec{x}_i - \vec{x}_{\oplus}}{\left\| \vec{x}_i - \vec{x}_{\oplus} \right\|}$$





## **Self-shadowing**

$$p = l - \frac{d + n \cdot l}{n \cdot (v - l)} (v - l) \quad P$$

or P = Mv

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} n.l + d - l_x n_x & -l_x n_y & -l_x n_z & -l_x d \\ -l_y n_x & n.l + d - l_y n_y & -l_y n_z & -l_y d \\ -l_z n_x & -l_z n_y & n.l + d - l_z n_z & -l_z d \\ -n_x & -n_y & -n_z & n.l \end{bmatrix}$$

Where

p = the projection of vertex v

- v = Vertex on the plane :  $n \cdot x + d = 0$
- l = a location of light source

The planar shadow projection, the original technique invented by Blinn [15], allows shadows to be cast on plane surface

## **Self-shadowing**







# Simulation



# **Material properties**

Material type		AMR [m2/kg]	Young's Modulus [N/m2]	Cs, Cd, Ca
PET	coated	111.11	8.81x10 <sup>9</sup>	0.60 0.26 0.14
Kapton	coated	26.30	2.50x10 <sup>9</sup>	0.60 0.26 0.14
	uncoated	26.30		0.00 0.10 0.90

PET

Kapton

(Sheldahl, The red book (2012)



# **Initial position**

#### **Geosynchronous Earth orbit (GEO)**

Six element	Value	
Semi-major axes(km)	42,164	
Mean anomaly(degree)	270°	
Argument of perigee(degree)	<b>90°</b>	
Ascending node(degree)	60°	
Eccentricity	0.0001	
Inclination(degree)	5°	

**Propagation in 12 days** 





# J2 and SRP

# **Orbital dynamics 12 days**



PET





## **PET without self-shadowing**



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# **PET with self-shadowing**



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#### Comparison



#### **PET without self-shadowing**



#### **PET with self-shadowing**



# Orbital dynamics under J2, third body and SRP

## **Orbital dynamics 12 days**



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## **PET Euler angles**





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# Kapton Euler angles



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# Conclusion and Future work



### Conclusion

- 1. Orbital dynamics of flexible debris is different from that of rigid debris due to the effective area.
- 2. Direct solar radiation pressure is the most effect to the orbital dynamics of HAMR flexible model.
- 3. Self-shadowing effect lead to irregular attitude dynamics and deformation

### **Future work**



#### To set the deformation experiment to validate the flexible model





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