

ECE 6380: Problem Set #3

1. Complete the FEM MATLAB code from Note #3, available on Canvas, to incorporate the capacitance calculation in Equation 42:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{C}{\epsilon_0} &= \frac{1}{V_0^2} \iint_{\Gamma} \epsilon_r \nabla \Phi \bullet \nabla \Phi \, dx \, dy \\
 &= \frac{1}{V_0^2} \iint_{\Gamma} \epsilon_r \left(\sum_{m=1}^{N+N_b} \phi_m \nabla B_m \right) \bullet \left(\sum_{n=1}^{N+N_b} \phi_n \nabla B_n \right) \, dx \, dy \\
 &= \frac{1}{V_0^2} \sum_{m=1}^{N+N_b} \phi_m \sum_{n=1}^{N+N_b} \phi_n \iint_{\Gamma} \epsilon_r \nabla B_m \bullet \nabla B_n \, dx \, dy \\
 &= \frac{1}{V_0^2} \sum_{m=1}^{N+N_b} \phi_m \sum_{n=1}^{N+N_b} \phi_n W_{mn} \\
 &= \frac{1}{V_0^2} \tilde{\phi}^T \tilde{\mathbf{W}} \tilde{\phi}
 \end{aligned}$$

Use the provided coax mesh generator to produce results for several meshes for a free-space filled coax with $b/a = 2$ and compare your results with the results in Table 1 and/or the exact solution in Equation 44. Turn in a printout of the section of the MATLAB code that you added.

2. Use the code you developed in Problem 1 to generate some capacitance results for an air-filled coax with $b/a = 4$. Determine the approximate convergence rate (Δ , Δ^2 , etc) by comparing to the exact result in Equation 44 of Note #3.
3. Find the condition number of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 10,000 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

using the definition in Equation (4.11) of Chapter 4 (CEM Note #6). How does the condition number compare with the ratio of largest to smallest eigenvalues?

4. By following a procedure similar to that outlined in Equations (4.15) to (4.18) of Chapter 4 (CEM Note #6), derive Equation (4.19).