

Mini-project 2. MoM numerical analysis of a parallel-plate capacitor.

Consider a capacitor composed of two parallel, rectangular, conductive plates, as presented in lecture. Assume that upper and lower plates are at potentials $V_1 = 1$ V and $V_2 = -1$ V, and have same characteristic dimensions $a = 1$ m and $b = 2$ m. Subdivide each of the plates into $n * m$ number of patches, where $n = 10$ and $m = 20$. If d is the distance between two plates, find and plot:

- (1) total charge $Q_{\text{computational}}$ on the positively-charged plate and
- (2) the ratio of $C_{\text{analytical}}/C_{\text{computational}}$

for d/a ratios of 0.1, 0.5, 1, 2, 10. $Q_{\text{computational}}$ is MATLAB-calculated (numerical) total charge, $C_{\text{computational}}$ is MATLAB-calculated (numerical) capacitance, while $C_{\text{analytical}}$ is the value for same capacitor, but calculated as in example 2.11 in the textbook.