

MATLAB EXERCISE 1.39 MoM-based MATLAB program for a charged square plate. Using the method of moments and functions developed in previous three MATLAB exercises, write a computer program in MATLAB to determine the charge distribution on a very thin charged square plate of edge length a at a potential V_0 , in free space. Subdivide the plate into N square patches, and assume that $a = 1$ m and $V_0 = 1$ V. (a) Tabulate and plot the results for the surface charge density (ρ_s) of the patches, taking $N = 100$ (ten partitions in each dimension). (b) Compute the total charge of the plate, taking (i) $N = 16$, (ii) $N = 36$, (iii) $N = 64$, and (iv) $N = 100$, respectively. (*ME1_39.m on IR*)

SOLUTION:

(a) Results for the surface charge density of $N = 100$ patches in the tabulated form and as a 3-D plot are shown in Fig.S1.20.

ρ_s [pC/m²]

100.3	66.4	60.7	57.9	56.8	56.8	57.9	60.7	66.4	100.3
66.4	34.1	30.0	28.1	27.4	27.4	28.1	30.0	34.1	66.4
60.7	30.0	25.9	24.0	23.2	23.2	24.0	25.9	30.0	60.7
57.9	28.1	24.0	22.1	21.3	21.3	22.1	24.0	28.1	57.9
56.8	27.4	23.2	21.3	20.6	20.6	21.3	23.2	27.4	56.8
56.8	27.4	23.2	21.3	20.6	20.6	21.3	23.2	27.4	56.8
57.9	28.1	24.0	22.1	21.3	21.3	22.1	24.0	28.1	57.9
60.7	30.0	25.9	24.0	23.2	23.2	24.0	25.9	30.0	60.7
66.4	34.1	30.0	28.1	27.4	27.4	28.1	30.0	34.1	66.4
100.3	66.4	60.7	57.9	56.8	56.8	57.9	60.7	66.4	100.3

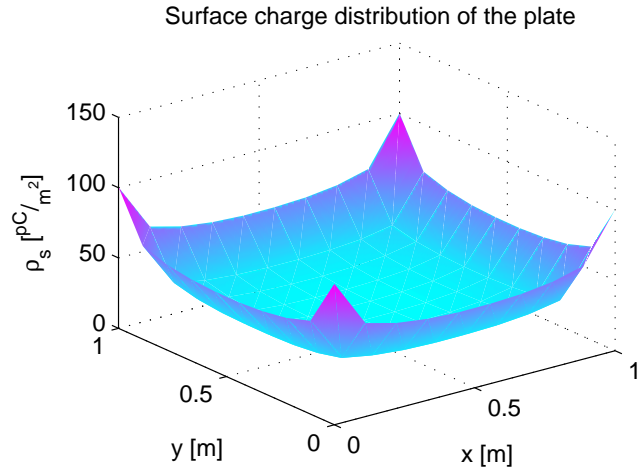


Figure S1.20 Surface charge density (ρ_s) of $N = 100$ (ten partitions in each dimension) patches modeling a thin charged square plate in free space: results obtained, in MATLAB, using the method of moments (MoM) – tabulated charge densities of patches and MATLAB display of ρ_s using function `surf`; for MATLAB Exercise 1.39.

(b) The total charge of the plate, taking (i) $N = 9$, (ii) $N = 25$, (iii) $N = 49$, and (iv) $N = 100$, amounts to (i) $Q = 37.29$ pC, (ii) $Q = 38.71$ pC, (iii) $Q = 39.33$ pC, and (iv) $Q = 39.8$ pC, respectively.

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% Book: MATLAB-Based Electromagnetics (Pearson Prentice Hall)  
% Author: Branislav M. Notaros  
% Instructor Resources  
% (c) 2011  
%  
% This MATLAB code or any part of it may be used only for  
% educational purposes associated with the book  
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% MoM-based MATLAB program for a charged square plate
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clear all;  
close all;  
N = 100; %total number of patches  
a = 1;  
V0 = 1;  
EPS0 = 8.8542*10^(-12);  
n = sqrt(N);  
  
%coordinates of centers of patches  
  
[x,y,S] = localCoordinates(n,n,a,a);  
  
%matrix A  
  
A = matrixA(EPS0,S,x,y);  
  
%matrix B  
  
B = V0*ones(1,N)'; %transpose -- to make it a column matrix  
  
rhos = A\B; %solving the equation  
  
% making 2D matrix rhos2D from results for rhos in 1D array  
  
for i = 1:n  
    rhos2D(i,:) = rhos((i-1)*n +1:i*n);  
end;  
  
figure(1);  
[x2D,y2D] = meshgrid(0:1/(n-1):1);  
surf(x2D,y2D,rhos2D*10^12);  
colormap('cool');  
shading interp;  
title(' Surface charge distribution of the plate');  
xlabel('x [m]');  
ylabel('y [m]');
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zlabel('\rho_s [^{pC}/_{m^2}]');  
zlim([0,150])  
  
figure(2);  
  
imagesc(rhos2D);  
colormap('cool');  
axis equal;  
shading interp;  
title('Surface charge density');  
xlabel('x');  
ylabel('y');  
axis off;  
  
Qtot = totalCharge(S,rhos);  
  
fprintf(['\nTotal charge of the plate is '...  
        '%2.3d pC'], Qtot*10^12);
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