

Question 11

Q: How to calculate the charge accumulating on the electrodes?

A: Using the equation, $Q=CV$, the charge, Q , can be obtained by multiplying the calculated capacitance, C , by a difference of electric potential, V .

Alternatively, integrating electric flux density over the area will give a charge.

Please refer to the next slide for more information.

Additional Information

- Apply as follows:

Boundary conditions: 1 [V] and 0 [V],

Relative permittivity, ϵ_r : 10,

Size of capacitor: 10 mm x 5 mm x 3 mm.

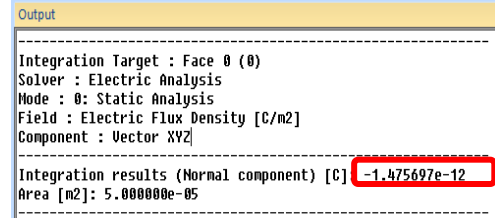
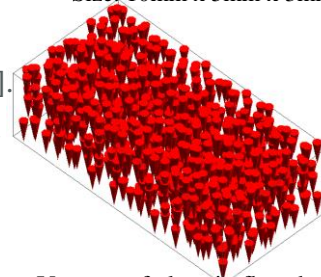
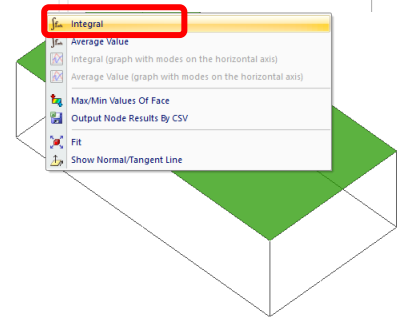
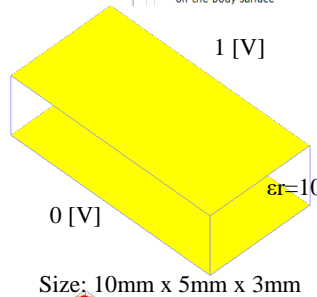
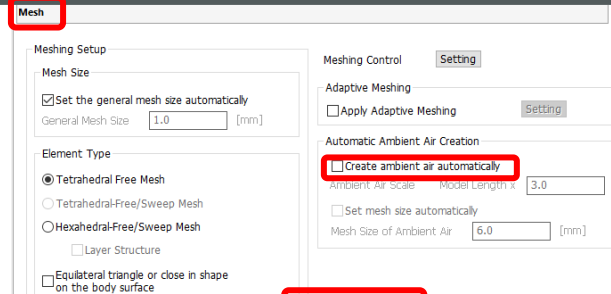
- Deselect [Create ambient air automatically].

- Femtet's solver calculates to give C of 1.476 [pF].

- The charge accumulated on one electrode is calculated as follows.

$$Q = CV = 1.475e-13 * 1 = 1.476 \text{ [pC]}$$

- Alternatively, the charge on the electrode can be calculated by integrating electric flux on the electrode by area. In this example, select the surface of one electrode and the integration will give the value of 1.476 [pC]. This is consistent with the theoretical value.



Vectors of electric flux density