



Electric capacitors simulation with QuickField



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QuickField overview



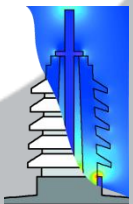
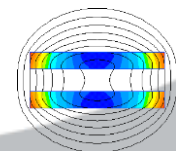
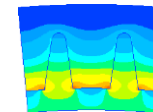
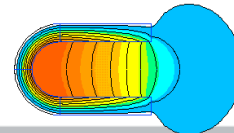
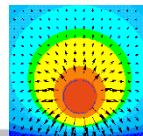
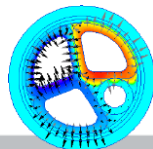
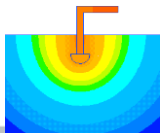
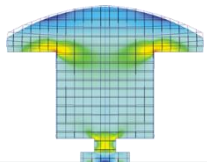
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Practice with QuickField



QuickField Analysis Options

Magnetic analysis suite	
Magnetic Problems	Magnetostatics
	AC Magnetics
	Transient Magnetics
Electric analysis suite	
Electric Problems	Electrostatics and DC Conduction
	AC Conduction
	Transient Electric field
Thermostructural analysis suite	
Thermal and mechanical problems	Steady-State Heat transfer
	Transient Heat transfer
	Stress analysis

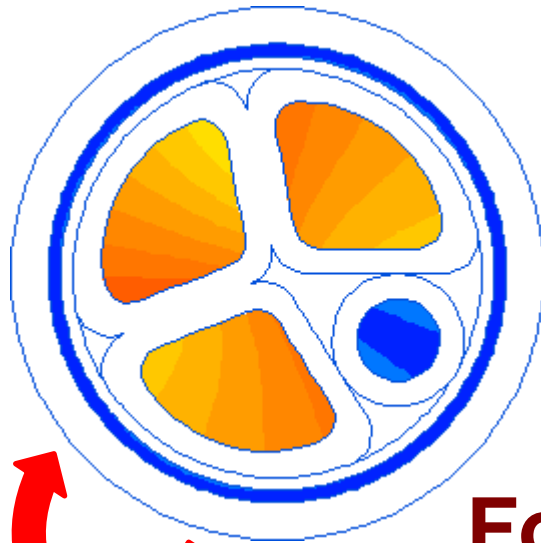
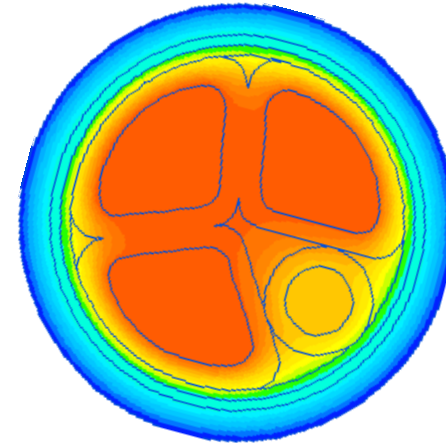




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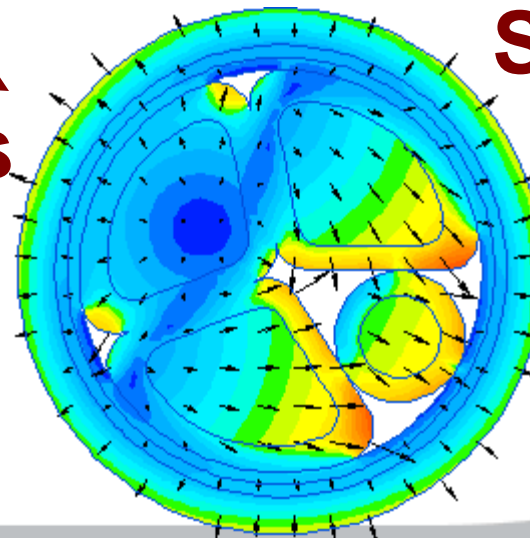
Temperature
Field

Electromagnetic
fields



Thermal
Stresses

Forces



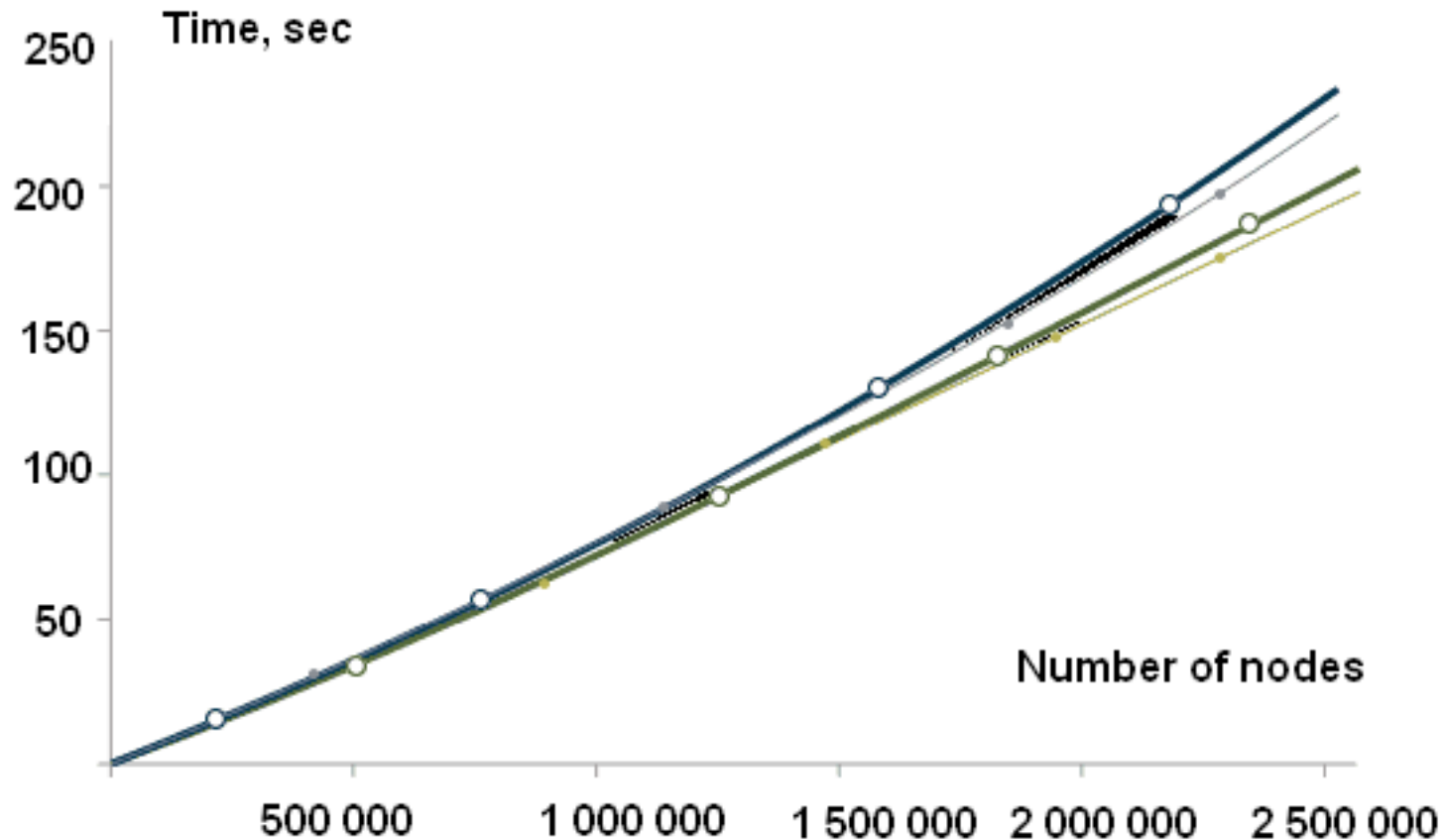
Magnetic state
import

Stresses &
Deformations

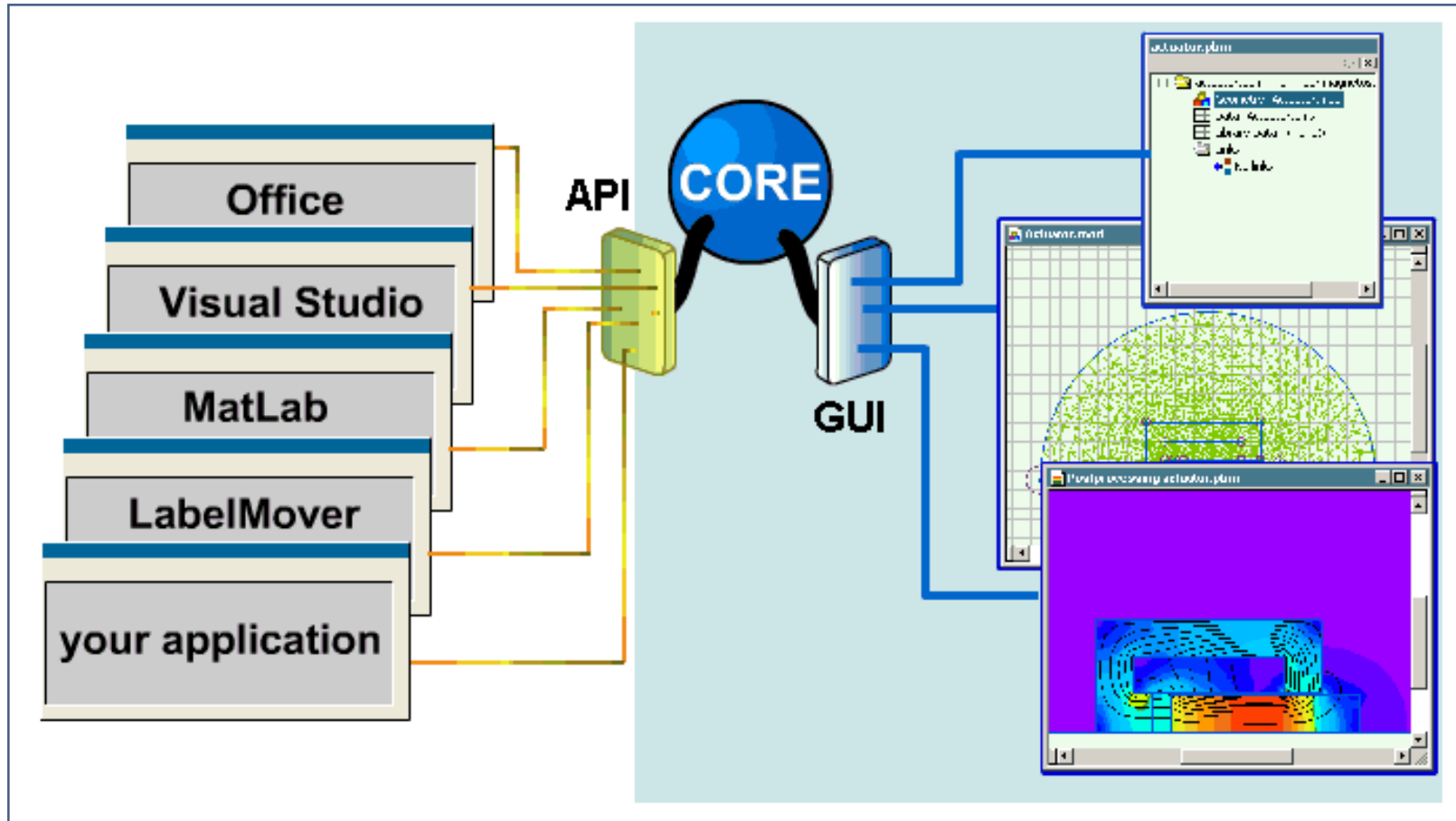


QuickField solvers

Solution time for various sizes of finite element mesh



Open object interface





ActiveField API object model

ActiveField™ help

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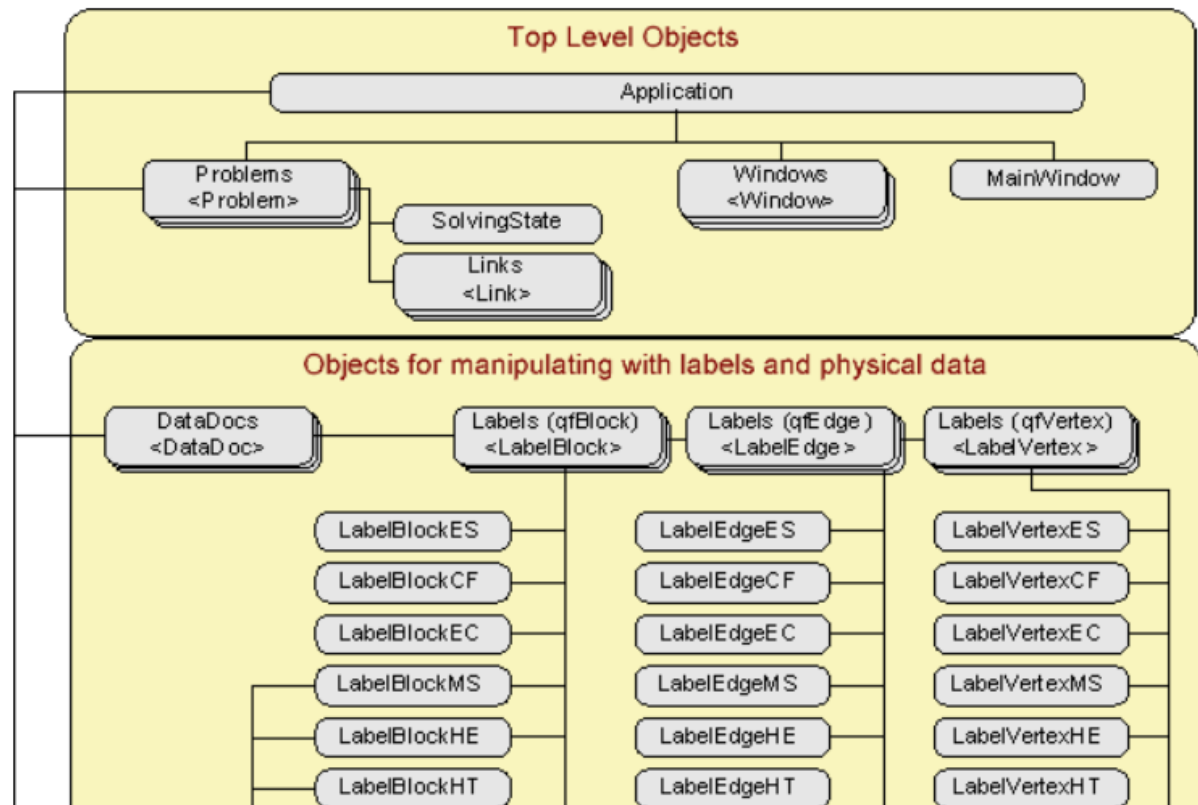
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- How to work with Model
- How to work with Data
- How to Analyze Results

Objects

Properties

Methods

QuickField Object Model





QuickField Difference

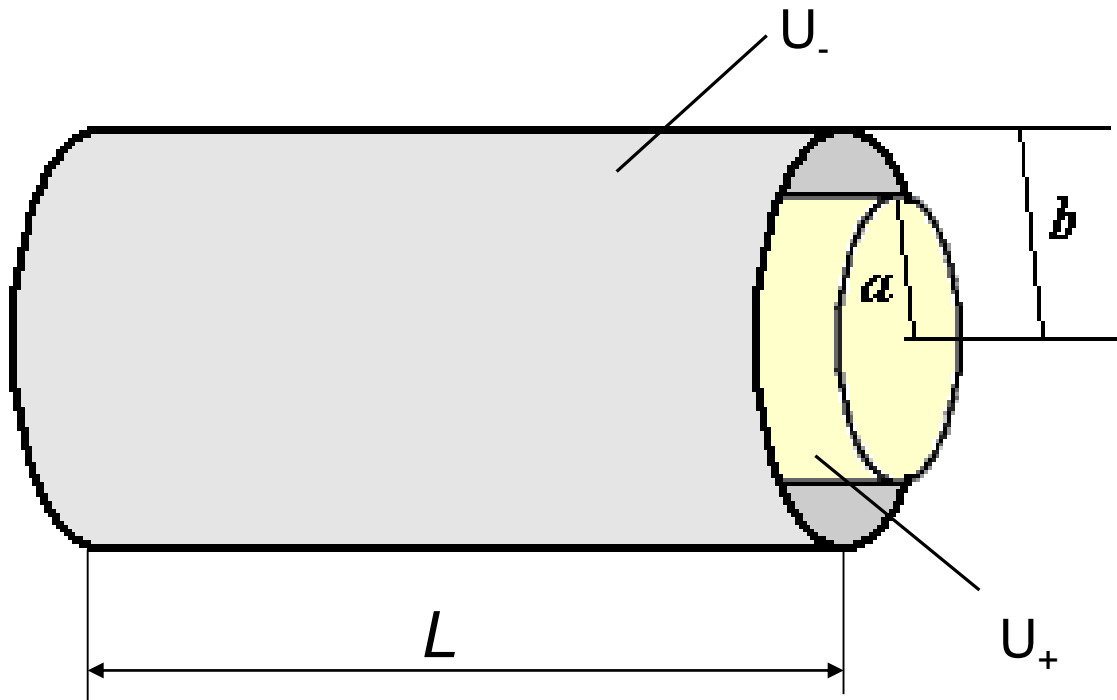




Electric capacitors simulation with QuickField

1. Ideal and non-ideal capacitor.
2. Electrolytic capacitor: capacitance, currents, losses heating.
3. Capacitor inductance
4. Capacitive displacement sensor.
Calculations automation.
5. Anode plate pitting.

Cylindrical capacitor



Problem specification:

$$a = 5 \text{ mm}$$

$$b = 6 \text{ mm}$$

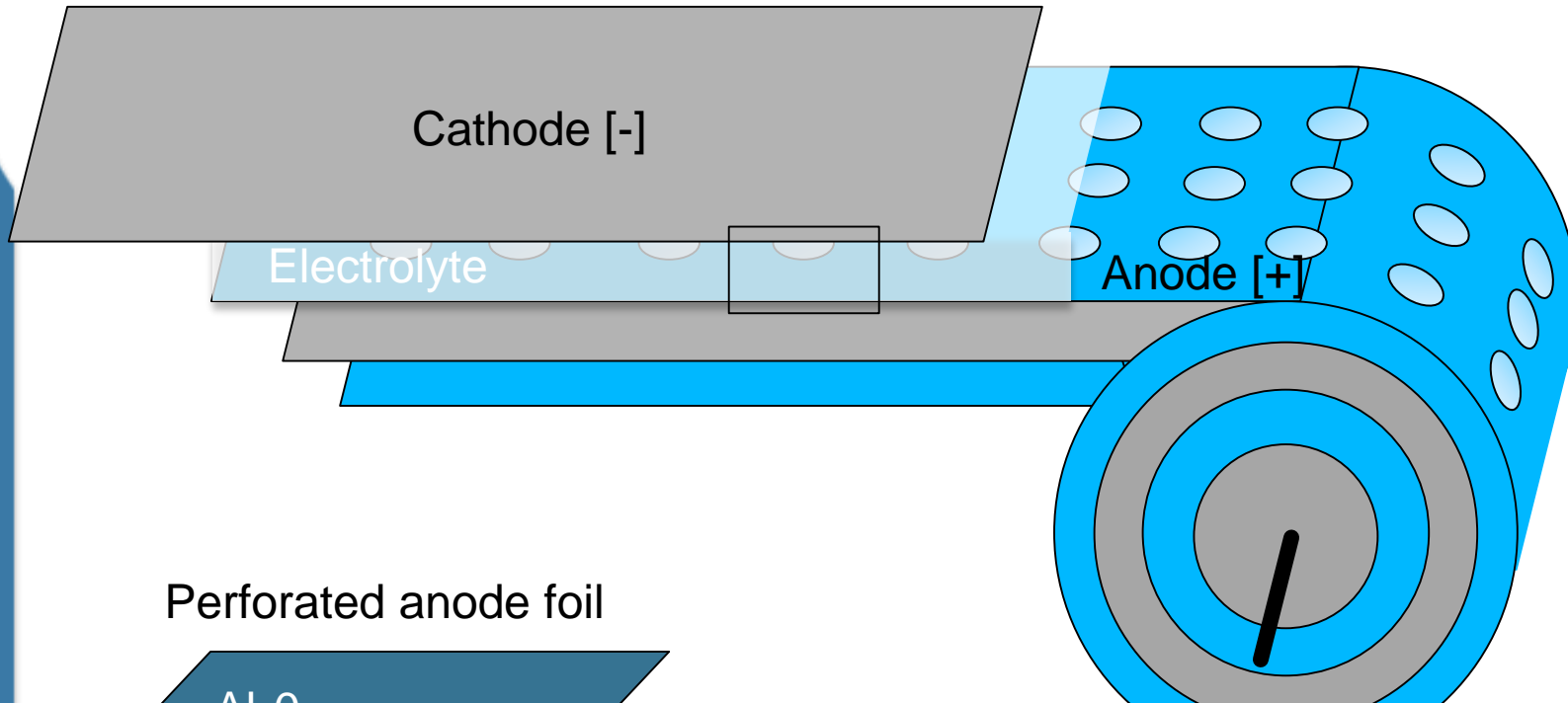
$$L = 40 \text{ mm}$$

$$C = q / (U_+ - U_-) \text{ [F]}$$

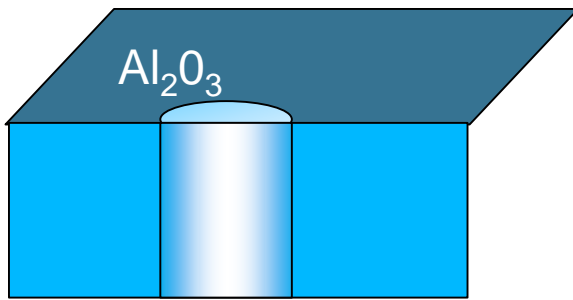
$$C = 2\pi\epsilon\epsilon_0 * L / \ln(b/a) = 12.205 \text{ pF}$$



Electrolytic capacitor



Perforated anode foil



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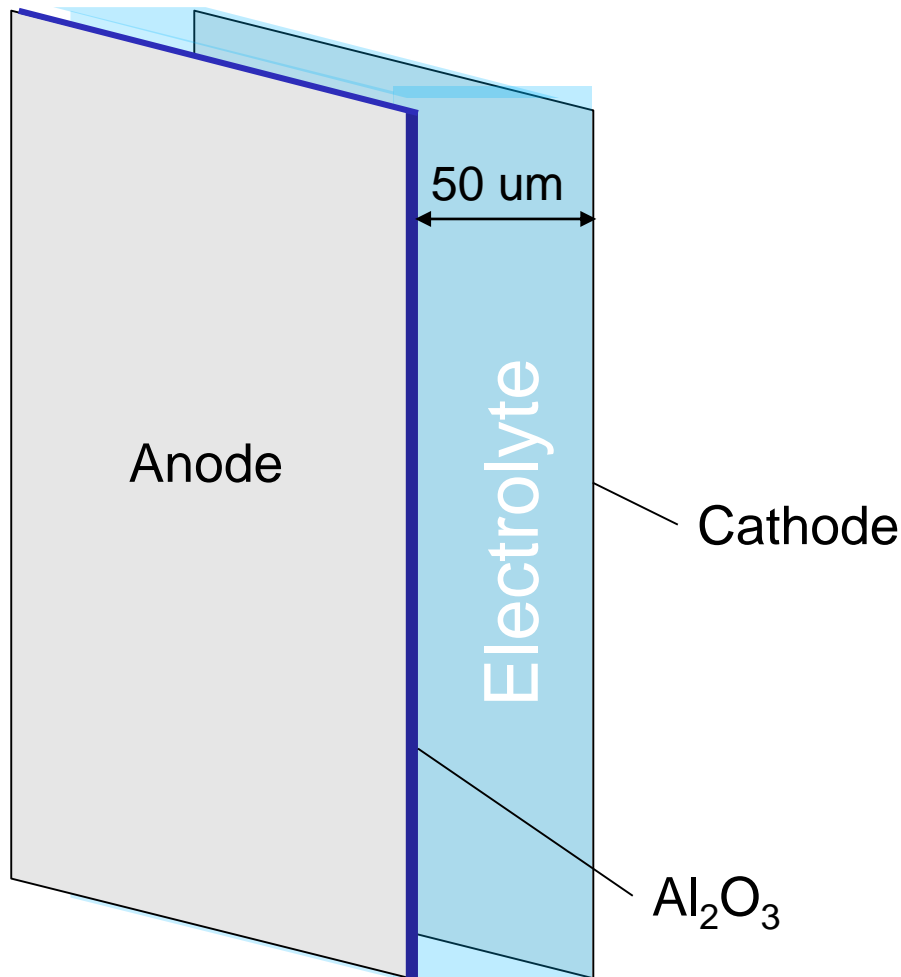
Oxide film thickness 1 μm .

Aluminum foil thickness 100 μm .

Electrolyte layer thickness 50 μm .

Electrolytic capacitor

Electric capacitance



Problem specification:

Oxide film (Al₂O₃) thickness 1 μm.

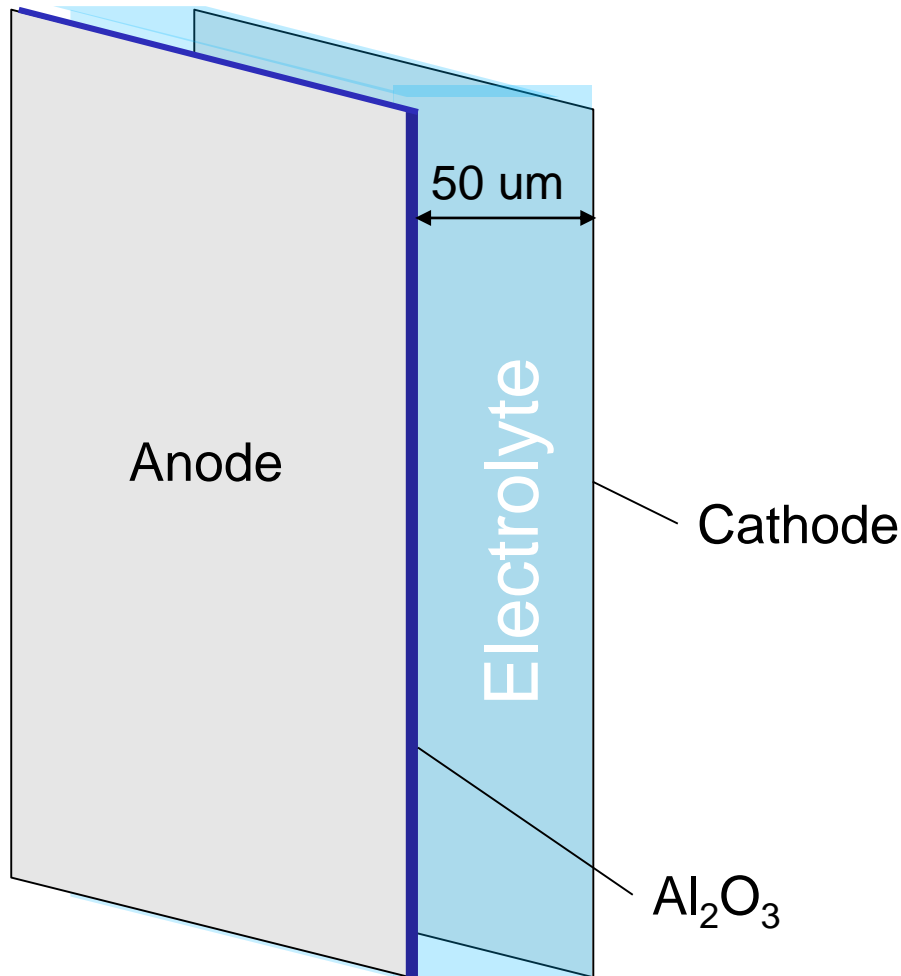
Oxide film permittivity $\epsilon = 10$.

Electric capacitance

$$C = q / U \text{ [F/m}^2\text{]}$$

Electrolytic capacitor

Current. Losses



Problem specification:

Electrolyte electric conductivity
 $g = 5 \text{ S/m}$

Voltage $U = 40 \text{ V}$

Frequency $f = 20 \text{ kHz}$

Capacitance $C = 88.5 \text{ uF/m}^2$

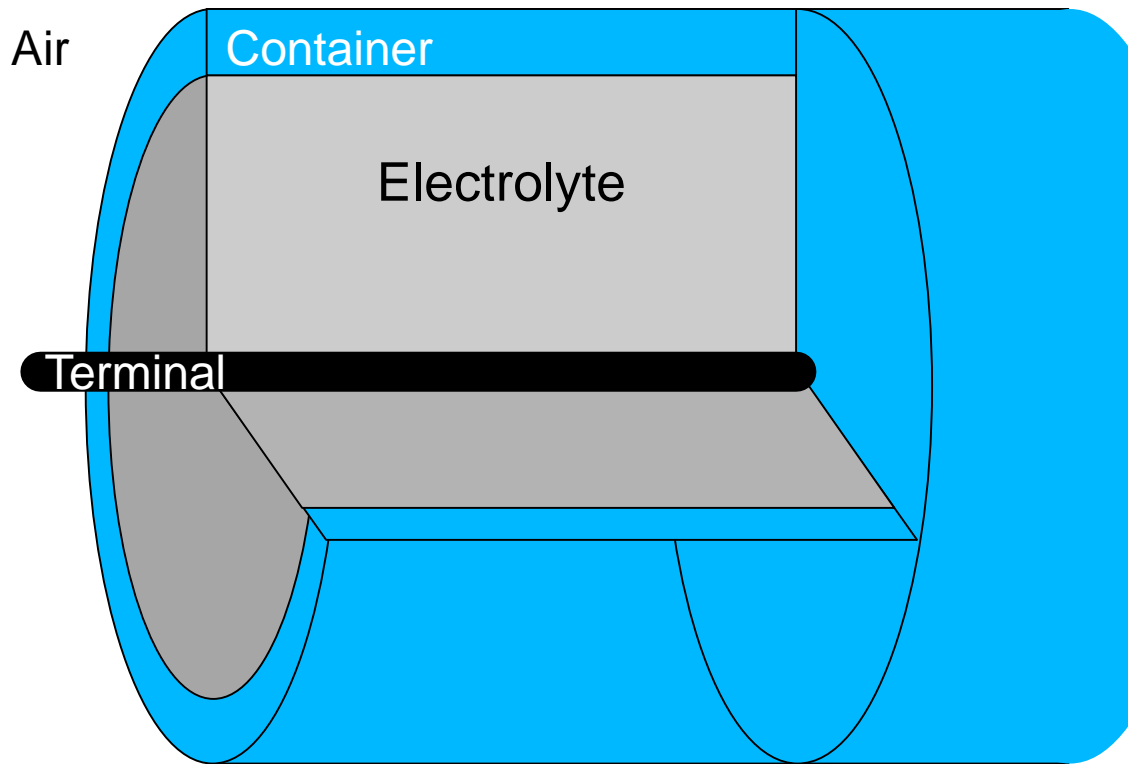
Electric current density

$$j = U * i\omega C \text{ [A/m}^2\text{]}$$

Volume losses

$$Q = j^2 / g \text{ [W/m}^3\text{]}$$

Electrolytic capacitor Heating



Problem specification:

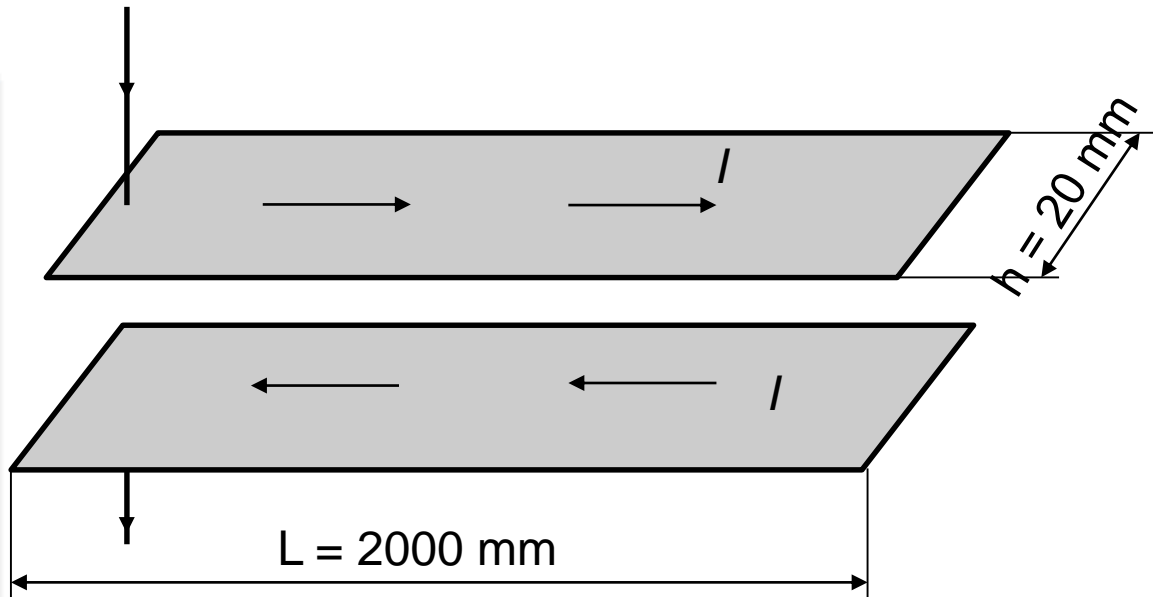
Container (Al) thermal conductivity $\lambda = 200 \text{ W/m}^*\text{K}$

Electrolyte thermal conductivity $\lambda = 0.5 \text{ W/m}^*\text{K}$

Losses $Q = 19700 \text{ W/m}^3$

Convection coefficient $\alpha = 12 \text{ W / K}^*\text{m}^2$

Capacitor inductance



Problem specification:

Distance between plates
 $d = 0.1 \text{ mm}$

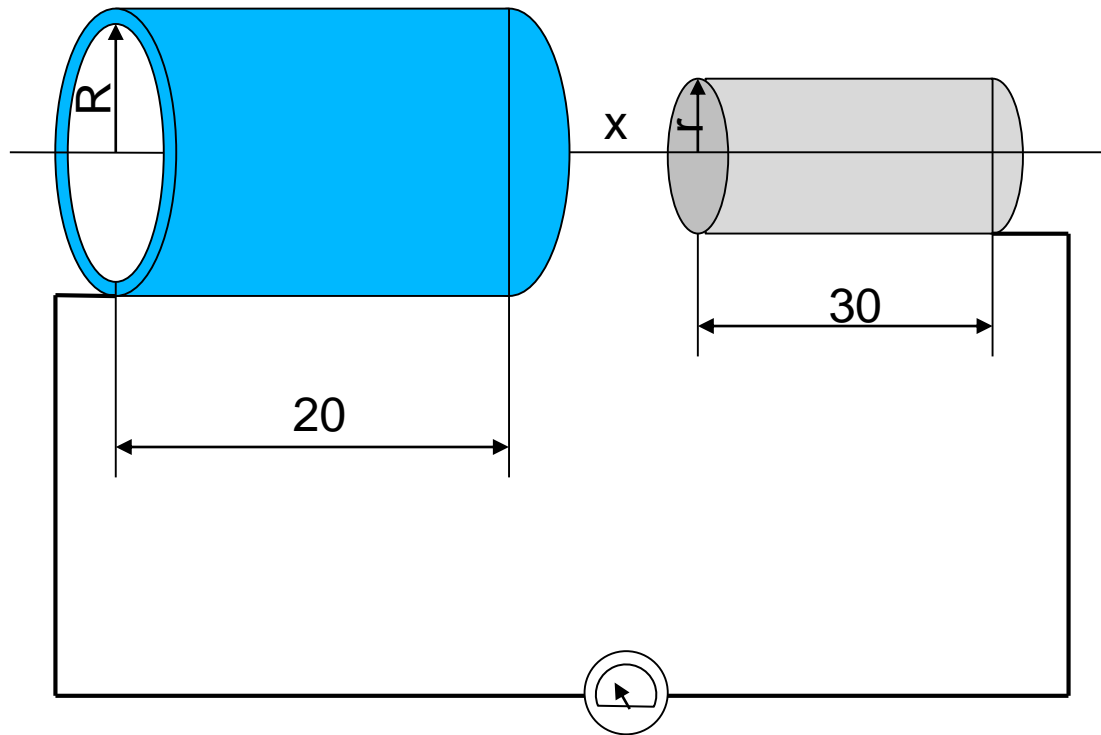
Plate surface area
 $L \times h = 2000 \times 20 \text{ mm}$

Inductance $L = \Psi / I \text{ [H]}$

Current layer $\sigma = I / h \text{ [A/m]}$



Capacitive displacement sensor. Calculations automation.



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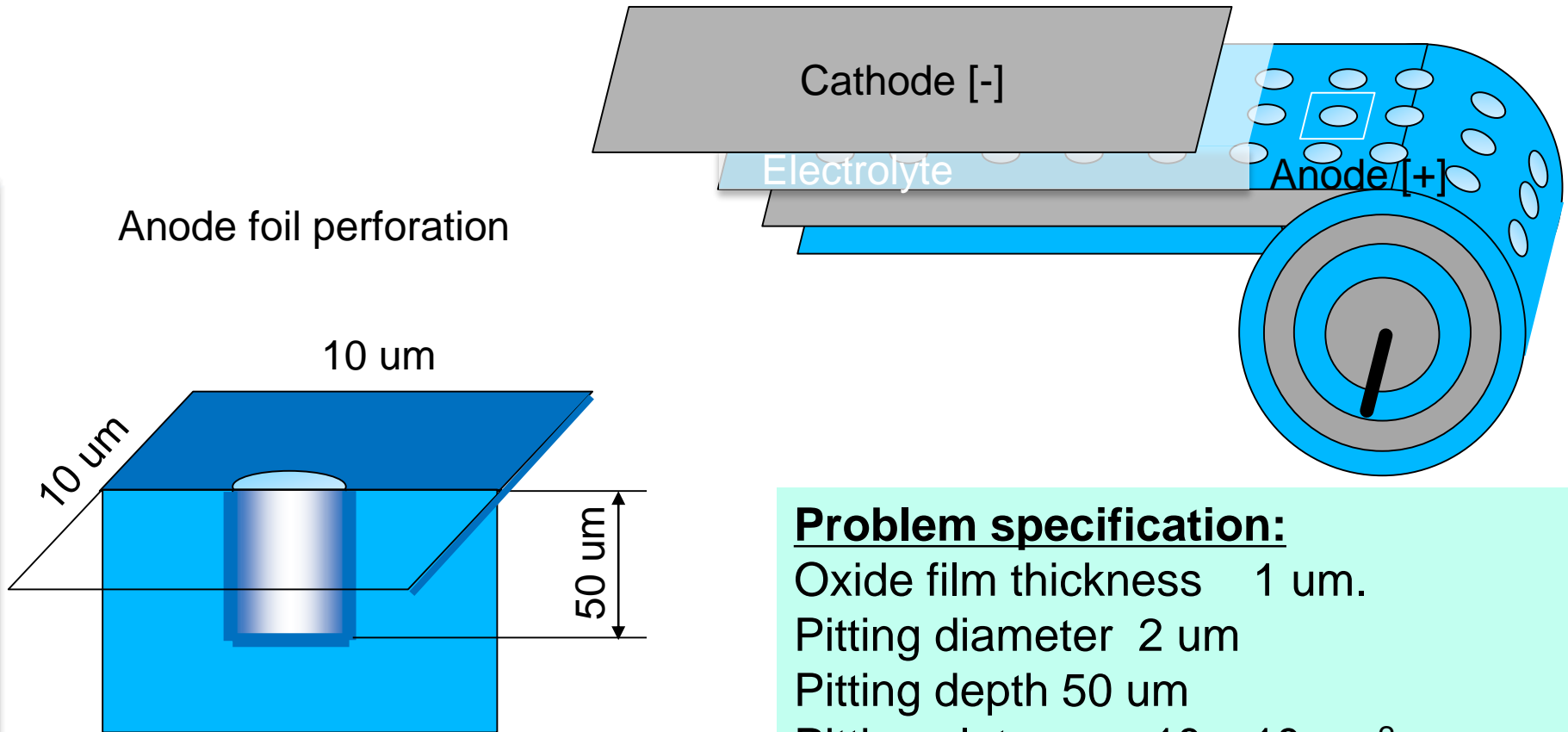
$$r = 4 \text{ mm}$$

$$R = 5 \text{ mm}$$

Capacitance $C(x)$ - ?



Electrolytic capacitor



Problem specification:

Oxide film thickness 1 μm .

Pitting diameter 2 μm

Pitting depth 50 μm

Pitting plate area 10 x 10 μm^2