

EXTRAPOLATED SURFACE CHARGE METHOD FOR CAPACITY CALCULATION OF POLYGONS AND POLYHEDRA. E Goto, *Faculty of Science, University of Tokyo, 7-3-1 Hongo, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo, 113 Japan*; *The Institute of Physical and Chemical Research, 2-1 Hirosawa, Wako-shi, Saitama, 351-01 Japan*; *Quantum Magneto-Flux Logic Project, Research Development Corporation of Japan, 2-1-42 Ikenohata, Taito-ku, Tokyo, 110 Japan*; Y. Shi, *Faculty of Science, University of Tokyo, 7-3-1 Hongo, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo, 113 Japan*; N. Yoshida, *Faculty of Science, University of Tokyo, 7-3-1 Hongo, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo, 113 Japan*; *The Institute of Physical and Chemical Research, 2-1 Hirosawa, Wako-shi, Saitama, 351-01 Japan*.

Effectiveness of extrapolation in calculating the electric capacities of polygons and polyhedra by SCM (surface charge method) is represented.

In the case of a square, it is divided into  $n^2$  small squares as treated by Maxwell ( $n=6$ ). Empirically, extrapolation function of the form  $\alpha_1/n + \alpha_2/n^2 + \beta_1(\log n)/n + \beta_2(\log n)/n^2$  is found to give the best result with the accuracy of more than six decimal figures at  $n=28$ . In conventional methods without extrapolation, forbiddingly large  $n=10^5$  should be needed to obtain the same accuracy. Extrapolation without logarithmic terms ( $\beta_1 - \beta_2 = 0$ ) does not work well. Thus, extrapolation using a logarithmic series and successive refinement leads to both accurate solutions and a saving in computational time. The origin of logarithmic terms is studied. The result of a numerical experiment suggests that logarithmic terms are needed when there are sharp edges in the configuration.