

355L - Task 1

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Q1: What is MATLAB?

MATLAB is a programming language and IDE; the official name is "Matrix Laboratory", as it is well-designed for computing with matrices.

Q2: How to plot a graph in MATLAB?

```
t = [0:0.1:20];  
a = sin(t);  
plot(t, a, 'B*--');  
xlabel('time');  
ylabel('amplitude');  
title('f(t) = sin(t)');
```

This code plots $\sin(t)$ from 0 to 20 in steps of 0.1. We can specify that we want a blue plot with B, $f(t)$ values to be plotted with *, and the remainder of the plot to be connected with --.

We also can add axis labels and a plot title.

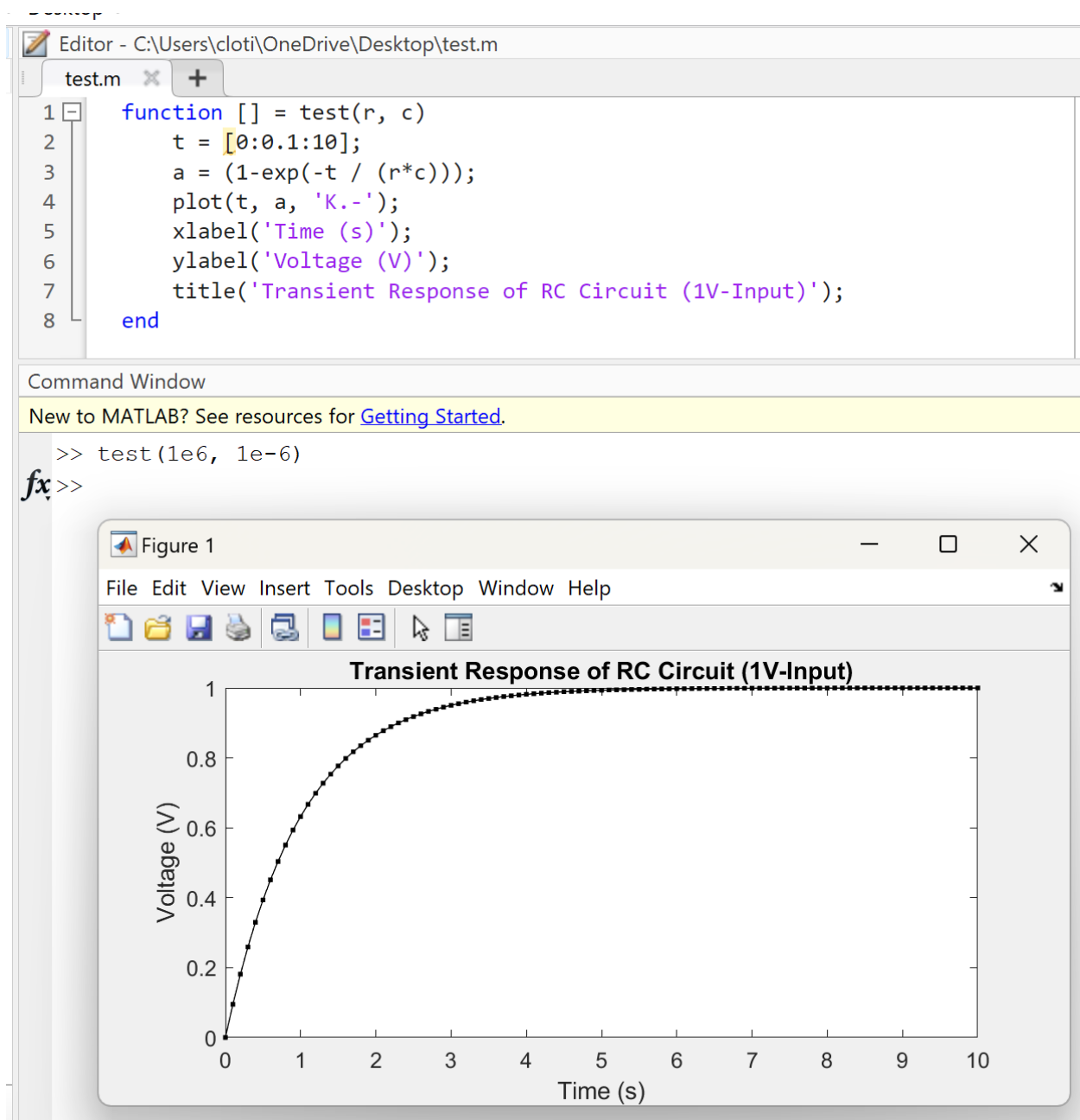
Q3: What is MATLAB used for?

MATLAB can be used for analyzing data, like making plots or doing computations. It is a robust computational tool, which can be helpful with solving problems with matrices and even complex numbers.

Q4: How to run MATLAB code?

You can run one-line commands or execute scripts in the 'Command Window'.

You can write a script (.m file extension) and call the name of that script with any input parameters as needed.



Example of written script, `test.m`, and then the code called in Command Window, and then the output via a plot.

Q5: How to call a function in MATLAB?

There are two types of functions in MATLAB: built-in functions, and user-defined functions.

- Built-in functions can be called anywhere with the proper syntax, either in a script or the Command Window.

```
% COMMAND WINDOW  
>> sin(pi)  
0
```

- User-defined functions are written in scripts and then can be called by the script name in the command window, along with any input variables as needed.

```
% helloWorld.m  
function [] = helloWorld() % this function has no inputs and  
    disp('Hello world');  
end  
  
% COMMAND WINDOW  
>> helloWorld  
'Hello world'
```