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% ### EXestimatePI.m ###      04.22.11 {C. Bergevin}
% Use a random # generator to estimate pi by considering the ratio of
areas
% of a circle to a square

clear
%
N=100000;      % # of points to use
%
figure(1); clf; hold on; grid on;
%
% generate array of (uniformly distributed) x and y values
A= 2*rand(N,1)-1;    % x coord.
B= 2*rand(N,1)-1;    % y coord.
%
% loop thru to test if each coordinate pair is inside or out
Ac= 0;  % indexer
for nn=1:N
    x= A(nn); y= B(nn);
    % test to see if the point falls within the unit circle (i.e.,
within
    % it area); if so, update indexer
    if (sqrt(x^2+y^2) <= 1), Ac= Ac+1; end
    plot(x,y,'kx','LineWidth',1);      % also plot for visual purposes
end
%
% estimate pi as the ratio of the areas
piEST= 4*(Ac/N); fprintf('\n estimate for pi = %g (using %g points)
\n\n',piEST, N);
%
axis([-1 1 -1 1]); xlabel('x'); ylabel('y')
% also draw a unit circle
theta= linspace(0,2*pi,100); xC= cos(theta); yC= sin(theta);
plot(xC,yC,'r-','LineWidth',2);

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