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Subject: Re: bug in IDL's hanning() window-generating function  
Posted by [Jaco van Gorkom](#) on Wed, 01 Aug 2001 14:30:29 GMT  
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David Fanning wrote:

> Scott Bennett writes after a long analysis of the Hanning function:

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>> In any case, I think the point Harris made is that a discrete  
>> sampling of a window function should not taper to the same value at  
>> the end that it has at the beginning because to do so would include  
>> the first sample of the \*next\* period (windowed segment.) So IDL's  
>> hanning() gets it wrong for both even- and odd-length windows. :-(

>

> Uh, huh. And how did RSI respond when you contacted them  
> about it?

I suspect they would suggest the following workaround:

```
function Harris, n, _EXTRA=extra
  return, (hanning(n+1, _EXTRA=extra))[0:n-1]
end
```

Scott, I've read your post, but I'm not sure I'm getting the point.  
Tapering from zero to zero seems like good idea to me, the symmetry  
sort of "feels good". Besides, it is convenient to have the weight of  
the window at its centre. What exactly is so wrong with it?

Jaco

PS: I would look it up myself, but I seem to have misplaced  
IEEE vol. 66 somehow...

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