
Subject: Re: All day FFT....

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"Robert Stockwell" <rgs1967@hotmail.com> wrote in message
news:3C61BC7C.4030904@hotmail.com...

> Paul van Delst wrote:

>

>> Hey there,

>

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> My guess, regarding slowness, is "Prime Number" (number of points
> in your time series). Try zeropadding up to, or truncating
> down to, a nice factorable number.

>

> I've attached my hackware factors.pro which will return the
> factors of a number. (and its recursive, COOL!)

>

Hi Bob,

Inspired, I wrote a more compact version of your function which will work on
long64 too

cheers

Martin

ps: probably is already in the jpl/cm/df library anyway!

```
function ifactors, num, factor_start = factor_start
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;+
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```
; Returns the prime factors of an integer
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```
; inspired by Bob Stockwell
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; MRD 7/2/2002
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```
maxfac = sqrt(abs(num))
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if n_elements(factor_start) eq 0 then begin
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  if maxfac gt 1073741824 then factor_start = long64(2) else factor_start =
```

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2L
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endif
```

```
; find the lowest factor and return that plus the result of factoring the  
remainder
```

```
;stop
```

```
for f = factor_start, maxfac do begin
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```
  if num mod f eq 0 then begin
```

```
    return, [f, ifactors(num/f, factor_start = f)]
```

```
  endif
```

```
endfor
```

```
; or return if prime
```

```
return, [num,1]  
end
```
