
Subject: Re: Complications with variance using FFTs
Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Tue, 20 Jul 2004 13:54:47 GMT
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olde_english33@hotmail.com (Eric) writes:

>
> Hello. First, I don't understand what you mean by "multiplied by
> exp(-phi)? Secondly, consider the following code instead:

I mean, that for a real signal, the Fourier components at negative frequencies are the complex conjugate of those at positive frequencies. Thus, $\text{EXP}(\text{IMAG} \cdot \text{PHI})$ at positive frequencies becomes $\text{EXP}(-\text{IMAG} \cdot \text{PHI})$ at negative frequencies, for arbitrary PHI. Since you are not changing to the complex conjugate at negative frequencies, I think that's where your problem lies.

> Now I think all the code snippets are related correctly. I checked the
> the average variance of all the $\text{xf1}[:,i]$ was equal to
> $\text{sum}(\text{avgspec1})/31.0$ and that the average variance of $\text{xf2}[:,i]$ was equal
> to $\text{sum}(\text{avgspec2})/31.0$. This check held. It works if I don't throw in
> the symmetric random phase $\exp(e)$. Does this phase throw off the
> variance? Is there any way to account for inputting this random
> phase?

Well, it's still worth investigating the original questions I posed...

Craig

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