
Subject: Inverse 3D FFT

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Hello,

We need to fourier-transform a complex velocity field in wavenumber space into a real velocity field in physical space. So i'm not sure about the proper input to the inverse FFT function.

We'll have a cube in k-space, 128 on a side, filled with complex V [velocity] values. Since we're dealing with a real velocity field in the physical space, it looks like, in the k-space, we should have another cube, such that $v(-Kx, -Ky, -Kz) = v(Kx, Ky, Kz)^*$ [a property of the Fourier Transform]. So we end up with a centrally symmetric system of two cubes in k-space.

Is that right so far?

Now, for the FFT algorithm we need to have all the complex conjugates (corresponding to $k = -127...0$) in positions $k = 127...255$. So our input to the FFT seems to be two cubes:

(1) $kx = 0...127$, $ky = 0...127$, $kz = 0...127$ with V's
AND

(2) $kx = 127...255$, $ky = 127...255$, $kz = 127...255$ with complex conjugates of the respective V's.

Would this input produce the correct results?

Thanks a lot!!
