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Subject: Re: FFT with NaNs in an array

Posted by [Steve Eddins](#) on Thu, 20 Jul 2006 19:44:46 GMT

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Steve Eddins wrote:

> adisn123@yahoo.com wrote:

>> Hi,

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>> I'm trying to fourier transform a spacial domain image to frequency

>> domain using FFT function in IDL.

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>> My image has quite a bit of NaNs in an array, about 5%.

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>> When I use FFT into the image, it doesn't give me any errors, but when

>> I inversely fourier transform after

>>

>> filtering, it gives a little funky result.

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> I would have expected you to get a VERY funky result. Since every

> output element of an FFT depends on every input element, I'd expect

> every output element of your result to be NaN.

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>> How do I make FFT ignore NaNs in their job or filtering?

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> I think you'll need to explicitly replace the NaNs with 0s, like this:

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> A(isnan(A)) = 0;

Whoops, forgot which newsgroup I was in, sorry. The above code line is MATLAB syntax. Replace it with suitable IDL syntax.

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