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Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Tue, 08 Aug 2000 07:00:00 GMT

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The direction of the FFT is controlled by the sign of the second argument to the FFT() function call.

You can verify that you have recovered the original signal by the following example:

```
yt1 = randomn(seed,256) ;; Original signal
yf = fft(yt1, +1)      ;; Transformed signal
yt2 = fft(yf, -1)      ;; Transformed-transformed signal
```

Formally, the values of YT1 (the original signal) and YT2 (the transformed-untransformed signal) should be identical. Let's check that:

```
plot, abs(yt1-yt2)
```

The residuals are very close to zero. Two things are noteworthy. First, YT2 is always going to be COMPLEX rather than float. This is because the FFT is by definition a complex algorithm. Still, the recovered signal should be **primarily** real.

Which gets to the second point. You won't ever fully recover the original signal since there is some round-off error. That's why the residuals are non-zero (and even complex). I believe that Liam Gumley has a web page on the numerical accuracy of FFT's.

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Posted by [Jonas](#) on Wed, 09 Aug 2000 07:00:00 GMT

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Hi

Oki, if you have the real and imaginary part of the image, just put them in a 2d complex vector and do a 2D FFT (forward or reverse?) on that vector. The result is your 2D k-space (maybe you would like to shift the resulting data so that the lowest "frequency", ie the k-space center, is centered in the image instead of positioned in the corners). Note that the kspace _is_ a complex space, so you should not do the FFT on the real and imaginary part separately, instead you should combine them to a complex vector and then do the FFT... something like this (assuming that your real and imaginary images are stored in two 2d vectors called real_part and imag_part):

```
;combine the real and imaginary part to a complex image
complex_image = complex(real_part, imag_part)
```

```
;perform fft
k_space = FFT(complex_image, /inverse)
```

```
;shift the image data to get centre of kspace in the centre of the image
;assuming the size of the image is [xsize,ysize]
k_space = SHIFT(k_space, xsize/2, ysize/2)
```

So, how do you visualise the complex valued kspace in the best way? Well the most common way to take a look at the k-space is to take a look at the magnitude of it:

```
tvsc1, abs(k_space)
```

Since the difference between the highest signal value, ie the center of kspace, and the surrounding values are so large, maybe you instead would like to look at the logarithm of the kspace:

```
tvsc1, alog(abs(k_space))
```

hope this helps a bit....

regards
/Jonas

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