
Subject: Re: problems with FFT cross spectra and other floating point operations

Posted by [hatay](#) on Thu, 17 Dec 1992 17:33:44 GMT

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