# Fast Fourier Transform

**FAST FOURIER TRANSFORM** commands compute the discrete Fourier transform (DFT) and its inverse using a fast Fourier transform (FFT) algorithm. Direct discrete Fourier transform converts a set of time samples to coefficients of a finite combination of complex sinusoids, ordered by their frequencies. It can be said that data in the *time domain* is converted to data in the *frequency domain*. Fourier transform is an important tool in many areas of science and engineering.

## How To

- ✓ <u>Direct Transform:</u> Run: Statistics->Time Series ->Fast Fourier Transform - Direct...
  <u>Inverse Transform:</u> Run: Statistics->Time Series ->Fast Fourier Transform - Inverse...
- ✓ Select variables containing the real and imaginary values of time series. Variable with imaginary values is optional; when omitted, imaginary values are assumed to be zero.

# Results

#### DIRECT TRANSFORM:

Discrete Fourier transform is computed as:

$$X(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) e^{-i 2\pi k n/N}$$
, where  $x(n)$  is discrete Fourier series.

#### **INVERSE TRANSFORM:**

Inverse discrete Fourier transform is computed as

$$x(n) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X(k) e^{+i 2\pi nk/N}$$
, where  $X(k)$  is sampled spectrum.

## References

Brigham, E. (1988), The Fast Fourier Transform And Its Applications. Englewood Cliffs, Prentice-Hall, NJ. Burg J.P. (1975)