

Hilbert Transform

Sometimes also called the quadrature function.

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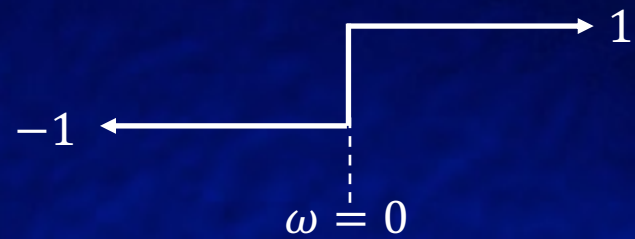
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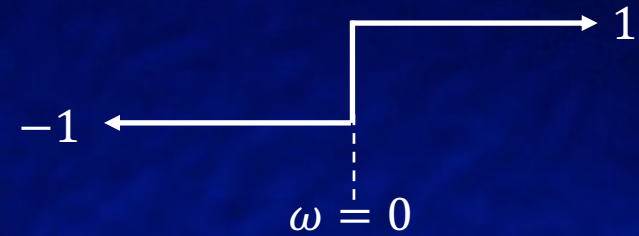
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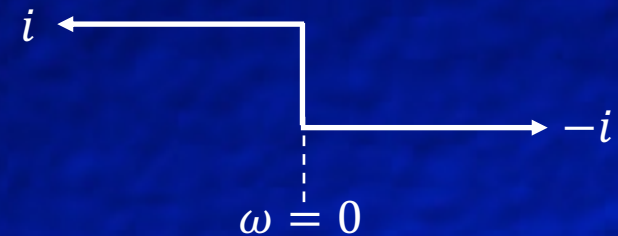
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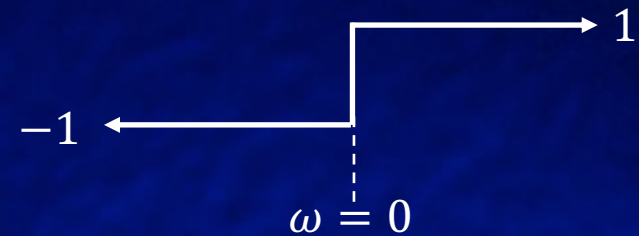
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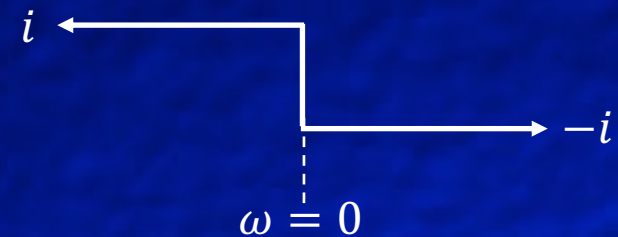
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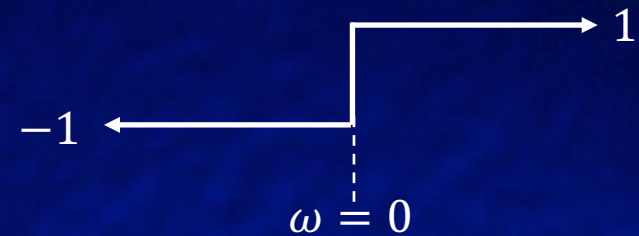
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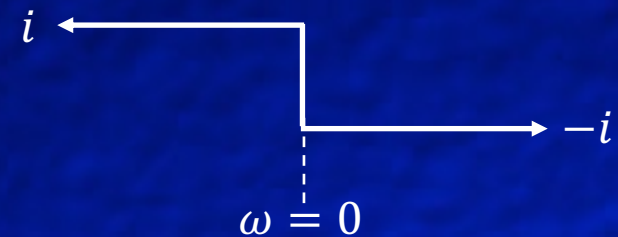
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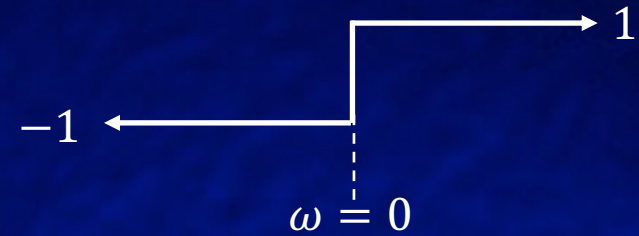
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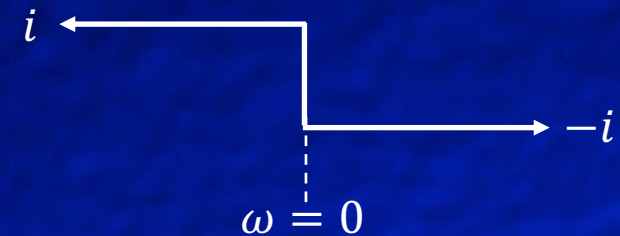
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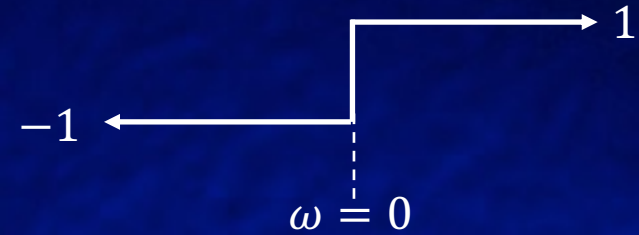


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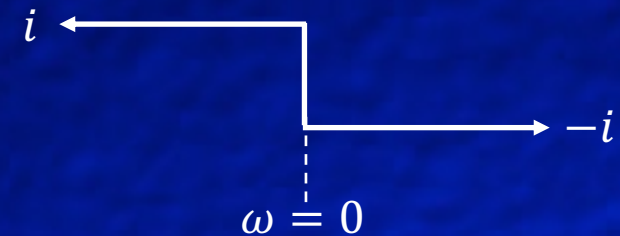
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Or one could use tables or the matlab *hilbert* function.

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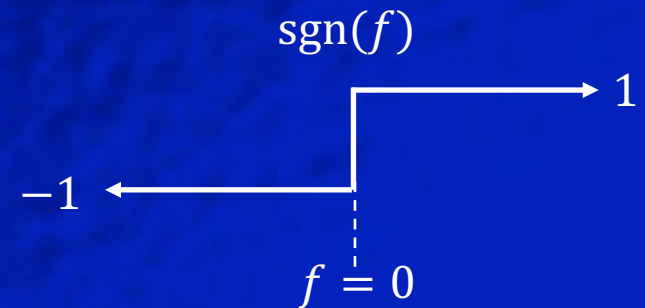
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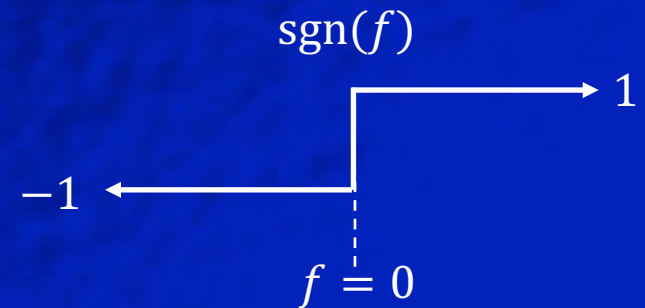
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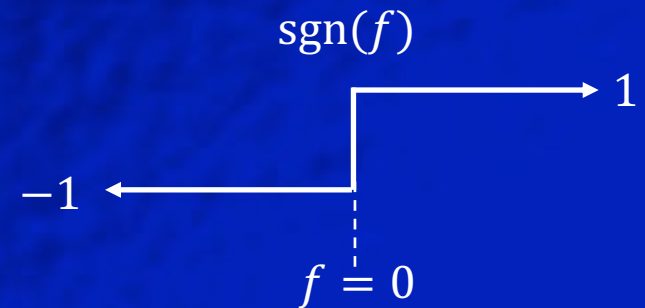
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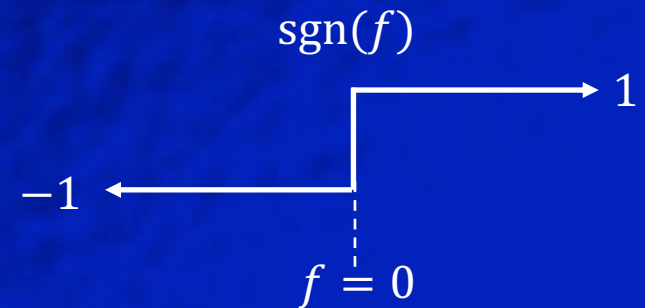
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Then for a real valued signal, the analytic function is the inverse fourier transform of the one-sided spectrum of the real-valued signal.

That is, given $\phi(t)$ and it's one sided spectrum,
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The inverse FT of that one sided spectrum is the analytic signal. And the real part of the analytic signal is the original real-valued function.

run matlab program hilber_examp.m

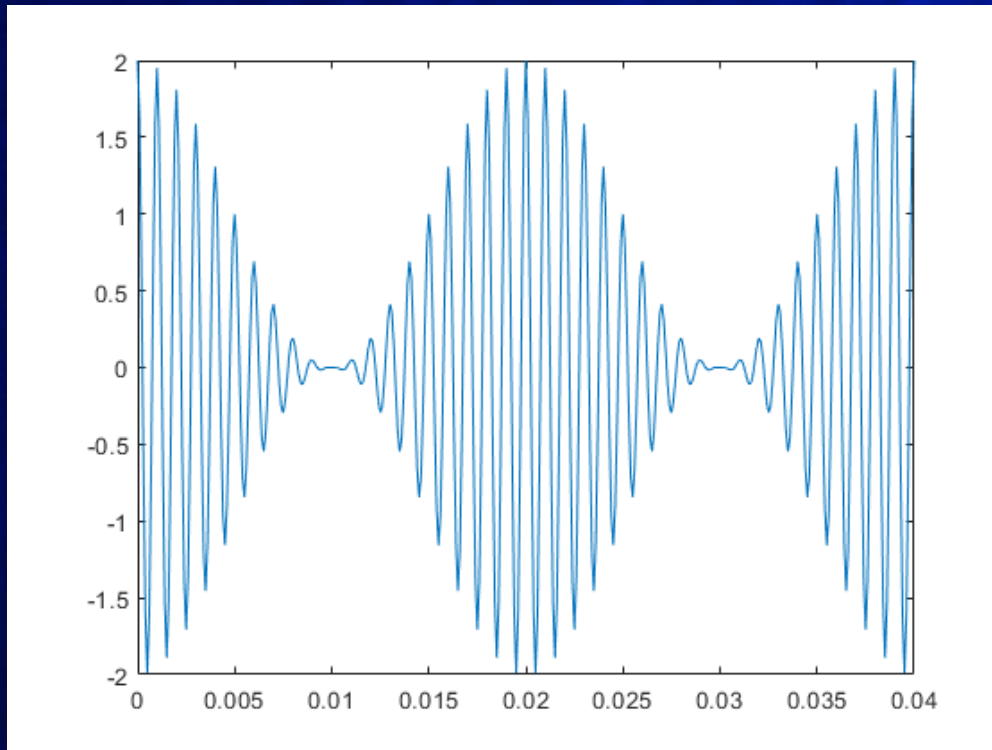
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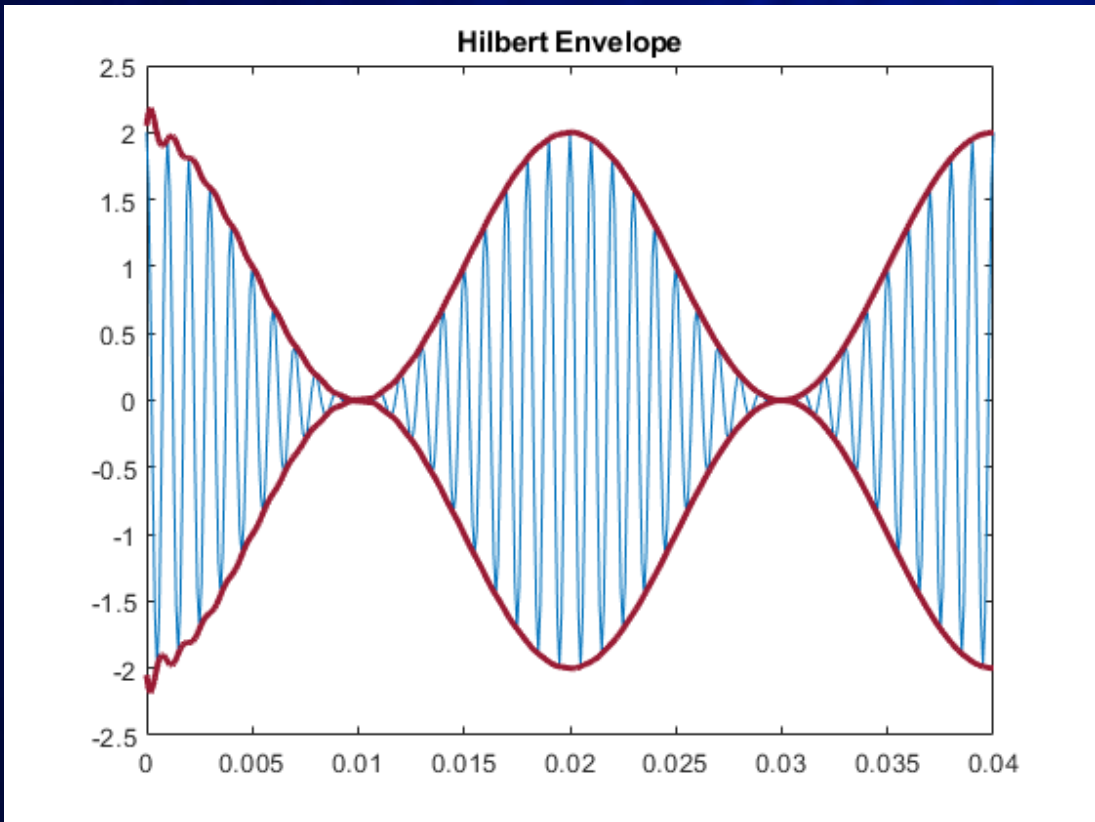
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t = 0:1e-4:0.1;  
x = (1+cos(2*pi*50*t)).*cos(2*pi*1000*t);  
plot(t,x) xlim([0 0.04])
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y = hilbert(x); ← Returns the analytic signal not the Hilbert transform.
env = abs(y);
plot_param = {'Color', [0.6 0.1 0.2], 'Linewidth', 2};
plot(t,x)
hold on
plot(t,[-1;1]*env,plot_param{:})
hold off
xlim([0 0.04])
title('Hilbert Envelope')

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The magnitude of the analytic signal captures the slowly varying features of the signal, while the phase contains information about the higher frequencies.

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$$\theta(t) = \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{H[\phi(t)]}{\phi(t)} \right] \quad \text{Instantaneous phase}$$

$$w(t) = \frac{d\theta}{dt} \quad \text{Instantaneous frequency}$$

The instantaneous frequency tells us how the frequency of a signal varies with time. This is more useful for tracking quasi-monochromatic signals, or monochromatic changes in time, e.g. FM signals superimposed on a carrier wave or chirp functions used in reflection seismology.

You will see the analytic function in several places including developing a causal transfer function for dispersive media and in exploration seismology.