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 - Convergence of Fourier series
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 - Long time behavior (possible growth of solutions)



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The **Fourier series** is named in honor of *Joseph Fourier* (1768–1830), who made important contributions to the study of trigonometric series.

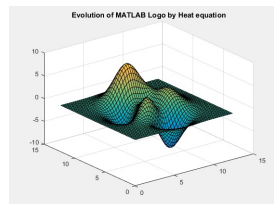
Fourier introduced the series for the purpose of solving the **heat equation** in a metal plate, publishing his initial results *Mémoire sur la propagation de la chaleur dans les corps solides* in 1807.

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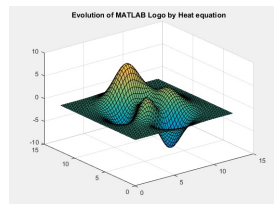
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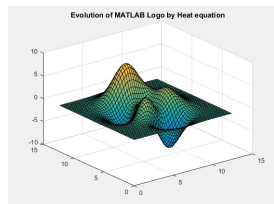
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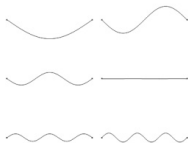
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The theory of the heat equation was first developed by **Fourier** in **1822**.

His idea was to model a complicated heat source as a **linear combination of simple sine/cosine waves**, and to write the solution as a linear combination of the corresponding eigensolutions. This linear combination is called the Fourier series.

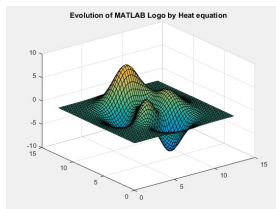
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If $f : \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is an absolutely integrable function, its **Fourier coefficients** $\hat{f} : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ are defined by the formula

$$\hat{f}(k) := \int_{\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}} f(x) e^{-2\pi i k x} dx.$$

The trigonometric series with these coefficients, $\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{f}(k) e^{2\pi i k x}$ is called the **Fourier series** of f .



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$$S_N f(x) := \sum_{|k| < N} \hat{f}(k) e^{2\pi i k x}.$$

Dirichlet wrote the partial sums as follows :

$$\begin{aligned} (S_N f)(x) &= \sum_{|k| < N} e^{2\pi i k x} \int_0^1 f(y) e^{-2\pi i k y} dy \\ &= \int_0^1 f(y) \sum_{|k| < N} e^{2\pi i k (x-y)} dy = (D_N * f)(x) \end{aligned}$$



Dirichlet (1805 - 1859)

where D_N is the Dirichlet kernel

$$D_N(y) = \sum_{|k| < N} e^{2\pi i k y} = \frac{\sin(\pi(2N+1)y)}{\sin(\pi y)}.$$

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Two criteria for **pointwise convergence**.

1. Dini's Criteria

If for some x there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\int_{|t|<\delta} \left| \frac{f(x+t) - f(x)}{t} \right| dt < \infty,$$

then

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} S_N f(x) = f(x).$$



Dini (1845 - 1918)

2. Jordan's Criteria

If f is a function of bounded variation in a neighborhood of x , then

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} S_N f(x) = \frac{1}{2} (f(x+) + f(x-))$$



Jordan (1838 - 1922)

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P. du Bois-Reymond proved that there exists a **continuous function** whose Fourier series diverges at a point.



P. du Bois-Reymond (1831-1889)

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Theorem (Almost everywhere convergence)

- ([Kolmogorov](#), 1923). *There exists $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z})$ such that $S_N f(x)$ is unbounded in N for almost every x .*
- ([Carleson](#), 1966, conjectured by [Lusin](#), 1913) *For every $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z})$, $S_N f(x)$ converges to $f(x)$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$ for almost every x .*
- ([Hunt](#), 1967). *For every $1 < p \leq \infty$ and $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z})$, $S_N f(x)$ converges to $f(x)$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$ for almost every x .*



Kolmogorov (1903-1987)



Carleson (1928-)

Some elementary properties

Given a function $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$, the following is a list of properties of the Fourier transform:

- linearity : $\widehat{(\alpha f + \beta g)} = \alpha \hat{f} + \beta \hat{g}$
- Riemann-Lebesgue : $\lim_{|\xi| \rightarrow \infty} \hat{f}(\xi) = 0$
- $\|\hat{f}\|_{\infty} \leq \|f\|_{L^1}$ and f is continuous.
- $\widehat{f * g} = \hat{f} \hat{g}$
- $\widehat{\partial_x f}(\xi) = 2\pi i \xi \hat{f}(\xi)$

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