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Sharp inequalities related to Wilker results

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Abstract: In this paper, we interested in Wilker inequalities. We provide finer bounds than known previous. Moreover, bounds are obtained for the following trigonometric function

$$g_n(x) = \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{2 \left(\frac{2x}{\pi} \right)^{2n+2}}{1 - \left(\frac{2x}{\pi} \right)^2} \right) + \frac{\tan(x)}{x}, \quad n \geq 0.$$

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1. Introduction

For $0 < x < \pi/2$, we know

$$\frac{\sin x}{x} < 1 < \frac{\tan x}{x},$$

or equivalently

$$\frac{x}{\tan x} < 1 < \frac{x}{\sin x}.$$

Exploiting these inequalities to the aim to provide other similar Wilker proposed open problems [1]. One of them is

$$\left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan x}{x} > 2.$$

Moreover, Wilker asked about the largest constant c such that

$$\left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan x}{x} > 2 + cx^3 \tan x.$$

These problems was solved by Sumner *et al.*, [2] who proved in addition

$$2 + \frac{16}{\pi^4} x^3 \tan x < \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan x}{x} < 2 + \frac{8}{45} x^3 \tan x.$$

As we may remark these constants $\frac{16}{\pi^4}$ and $\frac{8}{45}$ are the limits at 0 and $\pi/2$ of the function

$$x \rightarrow \frac{\left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan x}{x} - 2}{x^3 \tan x}.$$

Chen and Cheung [3] proved that this function decreases and provided

$$\begin{aligned} 2 + \frac{8x^3}{45} + \frac{16x^5}{315} \tan x &< \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan x}{x} < 2 + \frac{8x^3}{45} + \left(\frac{2}{\pi} \right)^6 x^5 \tan x, \\ 2 + \frac{8x^3}{45} + \frac{16x^5}{315} + \frac{104x^7}{4725} \tan x &< \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan x}{x} < 2 + \frac{8x^3}{45} + \frac{16x^5}{315} + \left(\frac{12}{\pi} \right)^8 x^7 \tan x. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, all these constants are the best possible constants.

Later in using a natural approach Mortici [4] gave improvements of that inequalities and produced the following for $0 < x < \pi/2$;

$$2 + \frac{1}{\cos x} \left(\frac{8x^4}{45} - \frac{4x^6}{105} \right) < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x} < 2 + \frac{1}{\cos x} \left(\frac{8x^4}{45} \right).$$

Maleševic *et al.*, [5] further refined the above inequality for $0 < x < \pi/2$ and $n \in IN$:

$$2 + \frac{1}{\cos x} \sum_{k=2}^{2n+1} (-1)^k D_k x^{2k} < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x} < 2 + \frac{1}{\cos x} \sum_{k=2}^{2n} (-1)^k D_k x^{2k},$$

where $D_k = \frac{(-9+3^{2k+2}-40k-32k^2)}{4(2k+2)!}$.

On the other hand, Wu and Srivastava [[6], Lemma 3] proved the following dual inequality for $0 < x < \pi/2$;

$$\left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)} \right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} > 2, \quad 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Mortici [4] improved that result;

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)} \right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} &> 2 + \frac{2x^4}{45}, \\ \left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)} \right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} &> \frac{2\sin(x)}{x} + \frac{\tan(x)}{x}. \end{aligned}$$

Maleševic *et al.*, [5] further improved the above result for $0 < x < \pi/2$ and $n \in IN$:

$$\left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)} \right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} > 2 + \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{|B_{2k}| (2k-2)2^{2k}}{(2k)!} x^{2k}.$$

Theorem 1. ([5], Theorem 4 p.9) For $0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$;

i)

$$2 + \frac{1}{\cos x} \left(\frac{8x^4}{45} - \frac{4x^6}{105} + \frac{19x^8}{4725} - \frac{37x^{10}}{133650} \right) < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x} < 2 + \frac{1}{\cos x} \left(\frac{8x^4}{45} - \frac{4x^6}{105} + \frac{19x^8}{4725} \right).$$

ii)

$$\begin{aligned} 2 + \frac{1}{\cos x} \left(\frac{8x^4}{45} - \frac{4x^6}{105} + \frac{19x^8}{4725} - \frac{37x^{10}}{133650} + \frac{283x^{12}}{20638800} - \frac{3503x^{14}}{6810604000} \right) \\ < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x} < 2 + \frac{1}{\cos x} \left(\frac{8x^4}{45} - \frac{4x^6}{105} + \frac{19x^8}{4725} - \frac{37x^{10}}{133650} + \frac{283x^{12}}{20638800} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2. ([5], Theorem 5 p.11) For $0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$;

i)

$$2 + \frac{2x^4}{45} + \frac{8x^6}{945} < \left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)} \right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} < 2 + \frac{2x^4}{45} + \left(\frac{2}{\pi} \right)^6 \left(-2 + \frac{\pi^2}{4} - \frac{\pi^4}{360} \right) x^6.$$

ii)

$$\begin{aligned} 2 + \frac{2x^4}{45} + \frac{8x^6}{945} + \frac{2x^8}{1575} &< \left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)} \right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} \\ &< 2 + \frac{2x^4}{45} + \frac{8x^6}{945} + \left(\frac{2}{\pi} \right)^8 \left(-2 + \frac{\pi^2}{4} - \frac{\pi^4}{360} - \frac{\pi^6}{7560} \right) x^8. \end{aligned}$$

iii)

$$\begin{aligned} 2 + \frac{2x^4}{45} + \frac{8x^6}{945} + \frac{2x^8}{1575} + \frac{16x^{10}}{93555} &< \left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)} \right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} \\ &< 2 + \frac{2x^4}{45} + \frac{8x^6}{945} + \frac{2x^8}{1575} + \left(\frac{2}{\pi} \right)^{10} \left(-2 + \frac{\pi^2}{4} - \frac{\pi^4}{360} - \frac{\pi^6}{7560} - \frac{\pi^8}{201600} \right) x^{10}. \end{aligned}$$

In this paper, we aim to refine the inequalities from Theorems 1 and 2.

2. The first Wilker inequality

The first Wilker inequality [1];

$$\left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x} > 2, \quad x \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$$

was intensively studied by many authors, see for example, [7–14].

Mortici [4] and Maleševic *et al.*, [5] proved

$$2 + \left(\frac{8}{45} x^4 - \frac{8}{105} x^6 \right) \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} \right) < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x} < 2 + \left(\frac{8x^4}{45 \cos(x)} \right).$$

The following result provides bounds permitting to refine some previous ones;

Theorem 3. For $0 < x < \pi/2$, the following inequalities holds for $1 \leq m \leq n$ and $p \leq n$;

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(1 - \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-2^{\beta})} x^{2k} - \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=3}^n a^k x^{2k-2} \right) \\ &\times \left(2 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=p+1}^n \frac{2^{2k+1}(2^{2k}-2)}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-1)} x^{2k} \right) \\ &< \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x} \\ &< \left(1 - \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-1)} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=3}^{\infty} a^k x^{2k-2} \right) \\ &\times \left(2 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + 2 \left(\frac{2x}{\pi} \right)^{2p+2} \frac{1}{1 - (\frac{2x}{\pi})^2} \right), \end{aligned}$$

where B_{2k} are the Bernoulli numbers and $\beta = 2 + \frac{\ln(1-\frac{6}{\pi^2})}{\ln 2} = 0.6491\dots$ is the Alzer constant.

Proof. First we may write obviously

$$\left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{2x}{\sin(2x)} \right) = \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x}.$$

Lemma 1. For $0 < x < \pi/2$, the following inequalities holds for any integer $m \geq 5$;

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 &< 1 - \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-1)} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=3}^{\infty} a^k x^{2k-2}, \\ 1 - \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-2)} x^{2k} - \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=3}^n a^k x^{2k-2} &< \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 2. For $0 < x < \pi/2$, consider the function

$$f(x) = (\sin x)^2 - x^3 \cot x - \frac{x^6}{15} + \frac{x^8}{945},$$

then $f(x)$ can be expressed as power series

$$f(x) = \sum_{k \geq 5} a^k x^{2k},$$

with

$$a_k = \frac{2^{2k-2} |B_{2k-2}|}{(2k-2)!} + \frac{(-1)^{k+1} 2^{2k-1}}{(2k)!} = \frac{2^{2k-2}}{(2k-2)!} \left(|B_{2k-2}| + \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{(2k-1)k} \right),$$

where B_{2k} are the Bernoulli numbers. Moreover, the coefficients $a_k, k \geq 5$ are all positive:

$$a_5 = \frac{1}{255150}, \quad a_6 = \frac{2}{15436575}, \quad a_7 = \frac{103}{8300667375}, \dots$$

Proof. The following series expansions can be found in [15–17]

$$\cot x = \frac{1}{x} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k-1}, \quad x \in (0, \pi),$$

and

$$\sin^2 x = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k+1} \frac{2^{2k-1}}{(2k)!} x^{2k}, \quad x \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right).$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\sin x)^2 - x^3 \cot x &= \left(\frac{1}{15} x^6 - \frac{1}{945} x^8 + \frac{1}{2835} x^{10} + \frac{8}{467775} x^{12} + \frac{206}{91216125} x^{14} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{139}{638512875} x^{16} + \frac{10861}{488462349375} x^{18} + \frac{438628}{194896477400625} x^{20} + O(x^{22}) \right). \end{aligned}$$

To prove the positivity of the coefficients a_k , k even we will use the following inequality for Bernoulli numbers established by D'aniello [18]:

$$\frac{2(2k)!}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-1)} < |B_{2k}| < \frac{2(2k)!}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-2)}.$$

For any odd value of k , we have

$$a_k = \frac{2^{2k-2}}{(2k-2)!} \left(|B_{2k-2}| + \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{(2k-1)k} \right) = \frac{2^{2k-2}}{(2k-2)!} \left(|B_{2k-2}| + \frac{1}{(2k-1)k} \right) > 0.$$

Consider the even case, then

$$a_k = \frac{2^{2k-2}}{(2k-2)!} \left(|B_{2k-2}| + \frac{-1}{(2k-1)k} \right).$$

By definition of Bernoulli numbers

$$S_n(p) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} k^p = \frac{1}{p+1} \sum_{k=0}^p \binom{p+1}{k} B_k n^{p+1-k}.$$

Then for k even

$$a_k = \frac{2^{2k-2}}{(2k-2)!} \left(|B_{2k-2}| - \frac{1}{(2k-1)k} \right) > \frac{2^{2k-2}}{(2k-2)!} \left(\frac{2(2k-2)!}{\pi^{2k-2}(2^{2k-2}-2)} - \frac{1}{(2k-1)k} \right),$$

and

$$a_k < \frac{2^{2k-2}}{(2k-2)!} \left(\frac{2(2k-2)!}{\pi^{2k-2}(2^{2k-2}-1)} - \frac{1}{(2k-1)k} \right).$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2^{2k-2} \frac{2(2k-2)!}{\pi^{2k-2}(2^{2k-2}-1)}}{(2k-2)!} + \frac{(-1)^{k+1} 2^{2k-1}}{(2k)!} &< a_k = \frac{2^{2k-2} |B_{2k-2}|}{(2k-2)!} + \frac{(-1)^{k+1} 2^{2k-1}}{(2k)!} \\ &< \frac{2^{2k-2} \frac{2(2k-2)!}{\pi^{2k-2}(2^{2k-2}-2)}}{(2k-2)!} + \frac{(-1)^{k+1} 2^{2k-1}}{(2k)!}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\sum_{k \geq 5} \left(\frac{2^{2k-1}}{2\pi^{2k-2}(2^{2k-2}-1)} + \frac{(-1)^{k+1} 2^{2k-1}}{(2k)!} \right) x^{2k} < f(x).$$

Thus it implies the left hand, since for any integer $n \geq 5$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \cos x &\leq \cos x + \sin x \left(\frac{x^3}{15} - \frac{x^5}{945} \right) + \sin x \sum_{5 \leq k \leq n} a_k x^{2k-3} \\ &\leq \cos x + \sin x \left(\frac{x^3}{15} - \frac{x^5}{945} \right) + \sin x \sum_{5 \leq k \leq \infty} a_k x^{2k-3} \\ &= \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)^3. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\sin x)^2 - x^3 \cot x &= (\sin x)^2 - x^3 \left(\frac{1}{x} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k-1} \right) \\ &= (\sin x)^2 - x^2 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k+2} \\ &< (\sin x)^2 - x^2 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k+1} x^{2k+2}}{\pi^{2k} (2^{2k}-2)}. \end{aligned}$$

In the other hand we know that for $k > 1$;

$$(2k)! > \sqrt{4\pi k} \left(\frac{2k}{e} \right)^{2k} e^{\frac{1}{24k+1}}.$$

It implies

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{2(2k-2)!}{\pi^{2k-2}(2^{2k-2}-1)} - \frac{1}{(2k-1)k} \right) &> \left(\frac{2\sqrt{4\pi(k-1)}(\frac{2k-2}{e})^{2k-2} e^{\frac{1}{48k-23}}}{\pi^{2k-2}(2^{2k-2}-1)} - \frac{1}{(2k-1)k} \right) \\ &> \left(\frac{2\sqrt{4\pi(k-1)}(\frac{2k-2}{\pi e})^{2k-2}}{(2^{2k-2}-1)} - \frac{1}{(2k-1)k} \right) \\ &> \left(\frac{2\sqrt{4\pi(k-1)}(\frac{2k-2}{\pi e})^{2k-2}}{2^{2k-2}} - \frac{1}{(2k-1)k} \right) \\ &> \left(2\sqrt{4\pi(k-1)}(\frac{k-1}{\pi e})^{2k-2} - \frac{1}{(2k-1)k} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Thanks to *Maple*, we may easily verify that the last expression is non negative as soon as $k > 6$. This means that a_k are non negative. \square

By this Lemma, we deduce

$$\frac{f(x)}{x^2} = \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 - x \cot x - \frac{x^4}{15} + \frac{x^6}{945} = \sum_{k \geq 5} a_k x^{2k-2},$$

where

$$a_k = \frac{2^{2k-2}}{(2k-2)!} \left(|B_{2k-2}| + \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{(2k-1)k} \right).$$

Thus for any integer $n \geq 5$

$$\left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 = x \cot x + \frac{x^4}{15} - \frac{x^6}{945} + \sum_{k \geq 5} a_k x^{2k-2} \geq x \cot x + \frac{x^4}{15} - \frac{x^6}{945} + \sum_{k=5}^n a_k x^{2k-2},$$

since coefficients $a_k > 0$.

Therefore, since by [[17], p.145], for $x \in (0, \pi)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \cot x &= \frac{1}{x} - \frac{x}{3} - \frac{x^3}{45} - \frac{2x^5}{945} - \dots \\ &= \frac{1}{x} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{x} - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k-1} - \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k-1}, \end{aligned}$$

and by [18]

$$\frac{2(2k)!}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-1)} < |B_{2k}| < \frac{2(2k)!}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-2)}. \quad (1)$$

Then we deduce the inequalities

$$\sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \frac{-2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-2)} x^{2k-1} < \cot x - \frac{1}{x} + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k-1} < \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \frac{-2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-1)} x^{2k-1}.$$

Notice that Alzer [19] provides a further result,

$$\frac{2(2k)!}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-1)} < |B_{2k}| < \frac{2^{2k+1}(2k)!}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-2^\beta)} < \frac{2^{2k+1}(2k)!}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-2)}, \quad (2)$$

where $\beta = 2 + \frac{\ln(1-\frac{6}{\pi^2})}{\ln 2} = 0.6491\dots$ is the best possible constant in the sense that it can not be replaced respectively by any bigger and smaller constant in the double inequality.

We then obtain better inequalities for $\cot x$,

$$\sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \frac{-2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-2^\beta)} x^{2k-1} < \cot x - \frac{1}{x} + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k-1}.$$

On the other hand, it follows by the same way for any integer $m \geq 5$,

$$\left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 < 1 - \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-1)} x^{2k} - \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=3}^{\infty} a_k x^{2k-2},$$

implies

$$1 - \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-2^\beta)} x^{2k} - \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=3}^n a_k x^{2k-2} < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2.$$

Let us consider now expansions trigonometric functions with power series. We will use the Taylor expansions of $\sin(x)$,

$$\sin(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots + (-1)^{k-1} \frac{x^{2k-1}}{(2k-1)!} + (-1)^k \frac{\sin \theta x}{(2k+1)!} x^{2k+1},$$

where $0 < \theta < 1$.

It is easy to remark that

$$1 - \frac{x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{5!} - \frac{x^6}{7!} < \frac{\sin x}{x} < 1 - \frac{x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{5!} - \frac{x^6}{7!} + \frac{x^8}{9!},$$

for $0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$. We then deduce bounds for $(\frac{\sin x}{x})^2$,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{2p} (-1)^{k+1} \frac{2^{2k+1}}{(2k)!} x^{2k-2} < \left(\frac{\sin x}{x}\right)^2 < \sum_{k=1}^{2p+1} (-1)^{k+1} \frac{2^{2k+1}}{(2k)!} x^{2k-2}.$$

On the other hand, we know that [[17] p.145]

$$\frac{1}{\sin x} = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{x}{6} + \frac{7x^3}{360} + \dots = \frac{1}{x} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k-1}.$$

We then derive the following inequalities for any $n \geq 1$.

Lemma 3. For $0 < x < \pi/2$, the following inequalities holds for any integer $p \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} 2 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=p+1}^n \frac{2^{2k+1}(2^{2k}-2)}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-1)} x^{2k} \\ < 1 + \frac{2x}{\sin 2x} \\ < 2 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + 2 \left(\frac{2x}{\pi}\right)^{2p+2} \frac{1}{1 - (\frac{2x}{\pi})^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Indeed, by [[17] p.146] one has

$$1 + \frac{2x}{\sin 2x} = 2 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} > 2 + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k}.$$

Then it follows by (1)

$$\begin{aligned} 2 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=p+1}^n \frac{2^{2k+1}(2^{2k}-2)}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-1)} x^{2k} \\ < 1 + \frac{2x}{\sin 2x} \\ < 2 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + 2 \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k}}{\pi^{2k}} x^{2k} \\ = 2 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + 2 \left(\frac{2x}{\pi}\right)^{2p+2} \frac{1}{1 - (\frac{2x}{\pi})^2}. \end{aligned}$$

We may also prove the following frame

$$\frac{2 \left(\frac{2x}{\pi}\right)^{2n+2}}{1 - (\frac{2x}{\pi})^2} - 2 \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2^k - 1} \left(\frac{2x}{\pi}\right)^{2k} < 1 + \frac{2x}{\sin 2x} < \frac{2}{1 - (\frac{2x}{\pi})^2}.$$

Finally, we get a lower bound for the product

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x}\right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{2x}{\sin 2x}\right) &> \left(1 - \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-2^{\beta})} x^{2k} - \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=3}^n a^k x^{2k-2}\right) \\ &\times \left(2 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=p+1}^n \frac{2^{2k+1}(2^{2k}-2)}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-1)} x^{2k}\right) \\ &= \phi_{m,n,p}(x). \end{aligned}$$

The upper bound is

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x}\right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{2x}{\sin 2x}\right) &< \left(1 - \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2k-1)} x^{2k} - \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=3}^{\infty} a^k x^{2k-2}\right) \\ &\times \left(2 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + 2 \left(\frac{2x}{\pi}\right)^{2p+2} \frac{1}{1 - (\frac{2x}{\pi})^2}\right) \\ &= \psi_{m,p}(x). \end{aligned}$$

Thus the following inequalities hold for $0 < x < \pi/2$ and for integers $1 \leq m; 3 \leq n; 1 \leq p \leq n$,

$$\phi_{m,n,p}(x) < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x}\right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x} < \psi_{m,p}(x).$$

Theorem 3 is then proved. \square

Let $0 < x < \pi/2$. By Theorem 3 we are able to precise the lower bound of the Wilker inequality in putting different values of n, p .

Example 1. Taking $n = 3$ and $p = m = 2$, we have

$$\phi_{2,4,2} = 2 + \frac{8x^4}{45} < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x}\right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x}.$$

Then we find again a result of [7] since

$$\frac{1}{\cos x} \left(\frac{8x^4}{45} - \frac{4x^6}{105}\right) > \frac{\frac{8x^4}{45} - \frac{4x^6}{105}}{1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!}} > \frac{8x^4}{45}.$$

Example 2. Taking $n = 4$ and $p = m = 3$, we find

$$\phi_{3,4,3} = 2 + \frac{8x^4}{45} + \frac{16x^6}{315} < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x}\right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x}.$$

Example 3. Taking $n = 5$ and $p = m = 3$, we have

$$\phi_{3,5,3} = 2 + \frac{8x^4}{45} + \frac{16x^6}{315} + \frac{104x^8}{4725} < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x}\right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x}.$$

Example 4. Taking $n = 6$ and $p = m = 5$, we have

$$\phi_{5,6,5} = 2 + \frac{8x^4}{45} + \frac{16x^6}{315} + \frac{104x^8}{4725} + \frac{592x^{10}}{66825} < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x}\right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x}.$$

This permits to find again Theorem 1(i) [[8], p.9]. Indeed, since (see Lemma 4 below) for $0 < x < \pi/2$,

$$\cos x > 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \frac{x^8}{8!} - \frac{x^{10}}{10!} + \frac{x^{12}}{12!} - \frac{x^{14}}{14!},$$

we then deduce

$$(\cos x) \left(\frac{8x^4}{45} + \frac{16x^6}{315} + \frac{104x^8}{4725} + \frac{592x^{10}}{66825}\right) > \frac{8}{45} x^4 - \frac{4}{105} x^6 + \frac{19}{4725} x^8 - \frac{37}{133650} x^{10}.$$

Example 5. Taking $n = 7$ and $p = m = 4$, we obtain

$$\phi_{4,7,4} = 2 + \frac{8x^4}{45} + \frac{16x^6}{315} + \frac{104x^8}{4725} + \frac{592x^{10}}{66825} + \frac{152912x^{12}}{42567525} < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x}\right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x}.$$

By the same way, using again the lower bound of $\cos x$, we find a result of [[8], p.10],

$$\begin{aligned} (\cos x) \left(2 + \frac{8x^4}{45} + \frac{16x^6}{315} + \frac{104x^8}{4725} + \frac{592x^{10}}{66825} + \frac{152912x^{12}}{42567525} \right) \\ > \frac{8}{45} x^4 - \frac{4}{105} x^6 + \frac{19}{4725} x^8 - \frac{37}{133650} x^{10} + \frac{283}{20638800} x^{12} - \frac{3503}{6810804000} x^{14}. \end{aligned}$$

In the sequel we will find upper and lower bounds of Wilker inequalities which appear to be finer than known previous. Consider at first;

Lemma 4. For $0 < x < \pi/2$, the following inequalities holds for any integer $p \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^{2p} (-1)^{k+1} \frac{2^{2k+1}}{(2k)!} x^{2k-2} &< \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)^2 < \sum_{k=1}^{2p+1} (-1)^{k+1} \frac{2^{2k+1}}{(2k)!} x^{2k-2}, \\ \sum_{k=1}^{2p+1} (-1)^k \frac{1}{(2k)!} x^{2k} &< \cos x < \sum_{k=1}^{2p} (-1)^k \frac{1}{(2k)!} x^{2k}. \end{aligned}$$

Let us consider expansions trigonometric functions with power series. We will use the Taylor expansions of $\sin x$, $\cos x$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sin x &= x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots + (-1)^{k-1} \frac{x^{2k-1}}{(2k-1)!} + (-1)^k \frac{\sin \theta x}{(2k+1)!} x^{2k+1}, \\ \cos x &= 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots + (-1)^k \frac{x^{2k}}{(2k)!} + (-1)^{k+1} \frac{\cos \theta x}{(2k+2)!} x^{2k+2}, \end{aligned}$$

where $0 < \theta < 1$.

It is easy to remark that

$$1 - \frac{x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{5!} - \frac{x^6}{7!} < \frac{\sin x}{x} < 1 - \frac{x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{5!} - \frac{x^6}{7!} + \frac{x^8}{9!},$$

for $0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$. We then deduce bounds for $(\frac{\sin x}{x})^2 \cos x$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^{2p} (-1)^{k+1} \frac{2^{2k+1}}{(2k)!} x^{2k-2} &< \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)^2 < \sum_{k=1}^{2p+1} (-1)^{k+1} \frac{2^{2k+1}}{(2k)!} x^{2k-2}, \\ \sum_{k=1}^{2p+1} (-1)^k \frac{1}{(2k)!} x^{2k} &< \cos x < \sum_{k=1}^{2p} (-1)^k \frac{1}{(2k)!} x^{2k}. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 3, we then derive the following which improves Theorem 3.

Theorem 4. For $0 < x < \pi/2$ the following inequalities holds for any $q \geq 1, 1 \leq p \leq n$,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{2q} (-1)^{k+1} \frac{2^{2k-1}}{(2k)!} x^{2k-2} \right) \left(2 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=p+1}^n \frac{2^{2k+1}(2^{2k}-2)}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-1)} x^{2k} \right) \\ < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x} \\ < \left(\sum_{k=1}^{2q+1} (-1)^{k+1} \frac{2^{2k-1}}{(2k)!} x^{2k-2} \right) \left(2 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + 2 \left(\frac{2x}{\pi} \right)^{2p+2} \frac{1}{1 - (\frac{2x}{\pi})^2} \right), \end{aligned}$$

where B_{2k} are the Bernoulli numbers.

Corollary 5. For $0 < x < \pi/2$ the following inequalities holds for any n, p , $1 \leq p \leq n$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 \left(2 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \frac{2(\frac{2x}{\pi})^{2n+2}}{1-(\frac{2x}{\pi})^2} - 2 \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2^k-1} \left(\frac{2x}{\pi} \right)^{2k} \right) \\ & < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x} \\ & < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 \times \left(2 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \frac{2(\frac{2x}{\pi})^{2n+2}}{1-(\frac{2x}{\pi})^2} \right), \end{aligned}$$

where B_{2k} are the Bernoulli numbers.

Corollary 5 means that the following inequalities hold:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 \left(2 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} - 2 \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2^k-1} \left(\frac{2x}{\pi} \right)^{2k} \right) \\ & < g_n(x) \\ & = \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{2(\frac{2x}{\pi})^{2n+2}}{1-(\frac{2x}{\pi})^2} \right) + \frac{\tan(x)}{x} \\ & < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 \left(2 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} \right) \\ & < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x}. \end{aligned}$$

The function $g_n(x)$ is growing as n increasing. We have

$$g_2(x) = \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{2(\frac{2x}{\pi})^2}{1-(\frac{2x}{\pi})^2} \right) + \frac{\tan(x)}{x} < g_n(x) < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n(x) = \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan x}{x}.$$

Moreover, we may compute the limit when x tends to $(\frac{\pi}{2})^-$,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} g_n(x) = \frac{2(3+4n)}{\pi^2},$$

and

$$g_n(x) - \frac{2(3+4n)}{\pi^2} = \frac{-24n^2 + 24n + 33 + 2\pi^2}{3\pi^3}(\pi - 2x) + \dots.$$

Let $0 < x < \pi/2$. Then we have following examples;

Example 6. Taking $n = 3$ and $p = 2$, we find

$$\begin{aligned} 2 + \frac{8x^4}{45} & < g_3(x) = \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan x}{x} - \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)^2 \left(\frac{2(\frac{2x}{\pi})^8}{1-(\frac{2x}{\pi})^2} \right) \\ & < \frac{2306x^{10}}{467775} - \frac{2x^8}{63} + \frac{16x^6}{315} + \frac{8x^4}{45} + 2 < \frac{16x^6}{315} + \frac{8x^4}{45} + 2. \end{aligned}$$

Example 7. Taking $n = 4$ and $p = 3$, we find

$$\begin{aligned} 2 + \frac{8x^4}{45} + \frac{16x^6}{315} & < g_4(x) = \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x} - \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 \left(\frac{2(\frac{2x}{\pi})^{10}}{1-(\frac{2x}{\pi})^2} \right) \\ & < \frac{61232x^{12}}{30405375} - \frac{868x^{10}}{66825} + \frac{104x^8}{4725} + \frac{16x^6}{315} + \frac{8x^4}{45} + 2 < \frac{104x^8}{4725} + \frac{16x^6}{315} + \frac{8x^4}{45} + 2. \end{aligned}$$

Example 8. Taking $n = 5$ and $p = 3$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 2 + \frac{8x^4}{45} + \frac{16x^6}{315} + \frac{104x^8}{4725} &< g_5(x) = \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x} - \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 \left(\frac{2(\frac{2x}{\pi})^{12}}{1 - (\frac{2x}{\pi})^2} \right) \\ &< \frac{1566172x^{14}}{1915538625} - \frac{480604x^{12}}{91216125} + \frac{592x^{10}}{66825} + \frac{104x^8}{4725} + \frac{16x^6}{315} + \frac{8x^4}{45} + 2 \\ &< \frac{592x^{10}}{66825} + \frac{104x^8}{4725} + \frac{16x^6}{315} + \frac{8x^4}{45} + 2. \end{aligned}$$

We then improve by another way Theorem 1(i) ([8], p.9]), since by Lemma 3,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{8}{45}x^4 + \frac{16}{315}x^6 + \frac{104}{4725}x^8 + \frac{592}{66825}x^{10} \right) \cos(x) &< \frac{8}{45}x^4 - \frac{4}{105}x^6 + \frac{19}{4725}x^8 \\ \left(\frac{8}{45}x^4 + \frac{16}{315}x^6 + \frac{104}{4725}x^8 + \frac{592}{66825}x^{10} + \frac{152912}{42567525}x^{12} \right) \cos(x) & \\ > \frac{8}{45}x^4 - \frac{4}{105}x^6 + \frac{19}{4725}x^8 - \frac{37}{133650}x^{10} + \frac{283}{20638800}x^{12}. \end{aligned}$$

Example 9. Taking $n = 6$ and $p = 3$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 2 + \frac{8x^4}{45} + \frac{16x^6}{315} + \frac{104x^8}{4725} + \frac{592}{66825}x^{10} &< g_6(x) = \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x} - \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x} \right)^2 \left(\frac{2(\frac{2x}{\pi})^{14}}{1 - (\frac{2x}{\pi})^2} \right) \\ &< \frac{161934166x^{16}}{488462349375} - \frac{123992x^{14}}{58046625} + \frac{152912x^{12}}{42567525} + \frac{592x^{10}}{66825} + \frac{104x^8}{4725} + \frac{16x^6}{315} + \frac{8x^4}{45} + 2 \\ &< \frac{152912x^{12}}{42567525} + \frac{592x^{10}}{66825} + \frac{104x^8}{4725} + \frac{16x^6}{315} + \frac{8x^4}{45} + 2. \end{aligned}$$

The last estimate improves Theorem 1(ii) ([8], p.10]).

3. Second Wilker inequality

Wu and Srivastava ([14], Lemma 3) proved the following dual inequality for $0 < x < \pi/2$ also called second Wilker inequality

$$\left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)} \right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} > 2, \quad 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Mortici [4] improved it and gave,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)} \right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} &> 2 + \frac{2x^4}{45}, \\ \left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)} \right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} &> \frac{2\sin(x)}{x} + \frac{\tan(x)}{x}. \end{aligned}$$

Malešević *et al.*, ([5], Theorem 5) gave an improvement of that and provided the following bounds for $0 < x < \pi/2$ and any integer $m \geq 2$

$$\begin{aligned} 2 + \sum_{k=2}^m \frac{(2k-2)2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} &< \left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)} \right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} \\ &< 2 + \sum_{k=2}^{m-1} \frac{(2k-2)2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \left(\frac{2x}{\pi} \right)^{2n} \left(\frac{\pi^2}{4} - 2 - 2 + \sum_{k=2}^{m-1} \frac{(2k-2)2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right)^{2k} \right). \end{aligned}$$

It seems that Theorem 6 below improves that result.

Theorem 6. For $0 < x < \pi/2$ and any $p \geq 1$, the following inequalities hold:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^{2p} (-1)^k \frac{(2x)^{2k}}{(2k+1)!}\right) \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-1)} x^{2k}\right) \\ & < \left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)}\right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} \\ & < \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^{2p+1} (-1)^k \frac{(2x)^{2k}}{(2k+1)!}\right) \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-2^\beta)} x^{2k}\right), \end{aligned}$$

where B_{2k} are the Bernoulli numbers and $\beta = 2 + \frac{\ln(1-\frac{6}{\pi^2})}{\ln 2} = 0.6491\dots$ is the Alzer constant.

Proof. Recall the following series expansions which can be found in [17] or [16].

$$\cot x = \frac{1}{x} - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k-1}, \quad \frac{\sin x}{x} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{x^{2k}}{(2k+1)!}.$$

Then we derive

$$\left(\frac{x}{\sin x}\right)^2 = -x^2 \frac{d \cot x}{dx} = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k}.$$

Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)}\right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} &= \left(\frac{x}{\sin x}\right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{\sin 2x}{2x}\right) \\ &= \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k}\right) \left(1 + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \frac{2^{2k} x^{2k}}{(2k+1)!}\right). \end{aligned}$$

By Taylor expansions, we may deduce

$$\sum_{k=0}^{2p} (-1)^k \frac{x^{2k}}{(2k+1)!} < \frac{\sin x}{x} < \sum_{k=0}^{2p+1} (-1)^k \frac{x^{2k}}{(2k+1)!}.$$

On the other hand, writing

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} = \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k}.$$

Combining with inequalities (2),

$$\frac{2(2k)!}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-1)} < |B_{2k}| < \frac{2^{2k+1}(2k)!}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-2^\beta)} < \frac{2^{2k+1}(2k)!}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-2)}.$$

It follows for $0 < x < \pi/2$ and any $p \geq 1$,

$$\left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)}\right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} > \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^{2p} (-1)^k \frac{(2x)^{2k}}{(2k+1)!}\right) \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-1)} x^{2k}\right),$$

as well as

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)}\right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} &< \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^{2p+1} (-1)^k \frac{(2x)^{2k}}{(2k+1)!}\right) \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-2^\beta)} x^{2k}\right) \\ &< \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^{2p+1} (-1)^k \frac{(2x)^{2k}}{(2k+1)!}\right) \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-2)} x^{2k}\right). \end{aligned}$$

□

Corollary 7. For $0 < x < \pi/2$ and any $n \geq p \geq 1$, the following inequalities hold:

$$\begin{aligned} a_{p,n}(x) &= \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^{2p} (-1)^k \frac{(2x)^{2k}}{(2k+1)!}\right) \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \sum_{k=p+1}^n \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-1)} x^{2k}\right) \\ &< \left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)}\right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} < b_p(x) = \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^{2p+1} (-1)^k \frac{(2x)^{2k}}{(2k+1)!}\right) \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k}\right. \\ &\quad \left.+ \frac{2\left(\frac{x}{\pi}\right)^{2p+2}}{(1 - (\frac{x}{\pi})^2)^2} \left[(1-2p)\left(\frac{x}{\pi}\right)^2 + 2p+1\right] + \frac{2\left(\frac{x}{2\pi}\right)^{2p+2}}{(1 - (\frac{x}{2\pi})^2)^2} \left[(1-2p)\left(\frac{x}{2\pi}\right)^2 + 2p+1\right]\right). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let us consider the function

$$\frac{1}{1 - 2^{1-2x}}, \quad x \geq 1.$$

For $1 \leq x$ this function can be majored as;

Lemma 5. For $1 \leq x$, the following inequality holds:

$$\frac{1}{1 - 2^{1-2x}} \leq (1 + 2^{2-2x}).$$

Indeed, consider the difference

$$\alpha(x) = \frac{1}{1 - 2^{1-2x}} < (1 + 2^{2-2x}).$$

Its derivative is

$$\frac{d\alpha(x)}{dx} = -2 \frac{2^{1-2x} \ln(2)}{(1 - 2^{1-2x})^2} + 42^{1-2x} \ln(2) = 2 \frac{2^{1-2x} \ln(2) \left(1 - 4 \cdot 2^{1-2x} + 2 (2^{1-2x})^2\right)}{(-1 + 2^{1-2x})^2}.$$

The study suggest us that this function is non positive for $x \neq 1$. It is such that $\alpha(1) = 0$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \alpha(x) = 0$ and increases between 1 and ∞ . Thus, we get for $1 \leq x$, $\frac{1}{1 - 2^{1-2x}} \leq (1 + 4 \cdot 2^{-2x})$.

By Lemma 5 we have for any $k \geq 1$;

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-2)} x^{2k} &= 2(2k-1) \frac{1}{1 - 2^{1-2x}} \left(\frac{x}{\pi}\right)^{2k} \\ &\leq 2(2k-1)(1 + 4 \cdot 2^{-2k}) \left(\frac{x}{\pi}\right)^{2k} \\ &= 2(2k-1) \left(\frac{x}{\pi}\right)^{2k} + 8(2k-1) \left(\frac{x}{2\pi}\right)^{2k}. \end{aligned}$$

We then deduce the sum, since $0 < x < \pi/2$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k+1}}{\pi^{2k}(2^{2k}-2)} x^{2k} &\leq \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} 2(2k-1) \left(\frac{x}{\pi}\right)^{2k} + 8(2k-1) \left(\frac{x}{2\pi}\right)^{2k} \\ &= \frac{2\left(\frac{x}{\pi}\right)^{2p+2}}{(1 - (\frac{x}{\pi})^2)^2} \left[(1-2p)\left(\frac{x}{\pi}\right)^2 + 2p+1\right] + \frac{2\left(\frac{x}{2\pi}\right)^{2p+2}}{(1 - (\frac{x}{2\pi})^2)^2} \left[(1-2p)\left(\frac{x}{2\pi}\right)^2 + 2p+1\right]. \end{aligned}$$

Replacing in Theorem 6, we get Corollary 7. \square

Let $0 < x < \pi/2$, we have following examples. We will use Maple.

Example 10. Taking $n = 3$ and $p = 2$, one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} a_{2,3}(x) &= 2 + \frac{2x^4}{45} + \frac{8x^6}{945} \\ &< \left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)} \right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} \\ &< b_2(x) \\ &= \left(2 - \frac{2x^2}{3} + \frac{2x^4}{15} - \frac{4x^6}{315} \right) \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{3} + \frac{x^4}{15} + \frac{85}{8} \frac{x^6}{\pi^6} \right) \\ &< 2 + \frac{2x^4}{45} + \left(\frac{85}{4\pi^6} - \frac{4}{315} \right) x^6. \end{aligned}$$

The last expression is lower than

$$2 + \frac{2x^4}{45} + \frac{64}{\pi^6} \left(-2 + \frac{\pi^2}{4} - \frac{\pi^4}{360} \right) x^6,$$

since $\left(\frac{85}{4\pi^6} - \frac{4}{315} \right) - \frac{64}{\pi^6} \left(-2 + \frac{\pi^2}{4} - \frac{\pi^4}{360} \right) \approx -0.003697$. Then, this case is finer than Theorem 2(i).

Example 11. Taking $n = 4$ and $p = 3$, one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} a_{3,4}(x) &= 2 + \frac{2x^4}{45} + \frac{8x^6}{945} + \frac{2x^8}{1575} \\ &< \left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)} \right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} \\ &< b_3(x) \\ &= \left(2 - \frac{2x^2}{3} + \frac{2x^4}{15} - \frac{4x^6}{315} \right) \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{3} + \frac{x^4}{15} + \frac{2}{189} x^6 + \frac{16x^8\pi^2 - 12x^{10}}{\pi^6 (x^2 - \pi^2)^2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{4} \frac{16x^8\pi^2 - 3x^{10}}{\pi^6 (x^2 - 4\pi^2)^2} - 2 \frac{x^8}{\pi^6 (-x^2 + \pi^2)} + \frac{x^8}{-32\pi^8 + 8x^2\pi^6} \right) \\ &< 2 + \frac{2}{45} x^4 + \frac{8}{945} x^6 + \left(-\frac{34}{14175} + \frac{455}{16} \pi^{-8} \right) x^8. \end{aligned}$$

The last expression is lower than

$$2 + \frac{2}{45} x^4 + \frac{8}{945} x^6 + \frac{256}{\pi^8} \left(-2 + \frac{\pi^2}{4} - \frac{\pi^4}{360} - \frac{\pi^6}{7560} \right) x^8,$$

since $-\frac{34}{14175} + \frac{455}{16} \pi^{-8} - \frac{256}{\pi^8} \left(-2 + \frac{\pi^2}{4} - \frac{\pi^4}{360} - \frac{\pi^6}{7560} \right) \approx -0.0012804$. This case is also finer than Theorem 2(ii).

Example 12. Taking $n = 5$ and $p = 4$, one obtains (details omitted)

$$\begin{aligned} a_{3,4}(x) &= 2 + \frac{2x^4}{45} + \frac{8x^6}{945} + \frac{2x^8}{1575} + \frac{16x^{10}}{93555} \\ &< \left(\frac{x}{\sin(x)} \right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan(x)} \\ &< b_3(x) \\ &< 2 + \frac{2}{45} x^4 + \frac{8}{945} x^6 + \frac{2}{1575} x^8 + \left(-\frac{4}{18711} + \frac{2313}{64} \pi^{-10} \right) x^{10}. \end{aligned}$$

The last expression is lower than

$$2 + \frac{2x^4}{45} + \frac{8x^6}{945} + \frac{2x^8}{1575} + \left(\frac{2}{\pi} \right)^{10} \left(-2 + \frac{\pi^2}{4} - \frac{\pi^4}{360} - \frac{\pi^6}{7560} - \frac{\pi^8}{201600} \right) x^{10},$$

since $\left(-\frac{4}{18711} + \frac{2313}{64}\right) - \left(-2 + \frac{\pi^2}{4} - \frac{\pi^4}{360} - \frac{\pi^6}{7560} - \frac{\pi^8}{201600}\right) \approx -0.00007469$. This case is also finer than Theorem 2(iii).

4. Concluding remarks

1. Examples 1-5 and Examples 6-9 above suggest us that Corollary 7 is finer than Theorem 4 of [5]. Therefore, we may ask if the following is valid for $0 < x < \pi/2$ and $n \geq 2$:

(i)

$$2 + \frac{1}{\cos x} \sum_{k=2}^{2n+1} (-1)^k D_k x^{2k} < g_2(x) = \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x}\right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{2 \left(\frac{2x}{\pi}\right)^6}{1 - \left(\frac{2x}{\pi}\right)^2}\right) + \frac{\tan(x)}{x}.$$

Recall that for $n \geq 2$,

$$g_2(x) < g_n(x) = \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x}\right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{2 \left(\frac{2x}{\pi}\right)^{2n+2}}{1 - \left(\frac{2x}{\pi}\right)^2}\right) + \frac{\tan(x)}{x} < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x}\right)^2 + \frac{\tan(x)}{x}.$$

(ii)

$$2 + \frac{1}{\cos x} \sum_{k=2}^{2n+1} (-1)^k D_k x^{2k} < \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x}\right)^2 \left(2 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \frac{2 \left(\frac{2x}{\pi}\right)^{2n+2}}{1 - \left(\frac{2x}{\pi}\right)^2} - 2 \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{2^k - 1} \left(\frac{2x}{\pi}\right)^{2k}\right),$$

and

(iii)

$$\left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x}\right)^2 \left(2 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2^{2k}(2^{2k}-2) |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \frac{2 \left(\frac{2x}{\pi}\right)^{2n+2}}{1 - \left(\frac{2x}{\pi}\right)^2}\right) < 2 + \frac{1}{\cos x} \sum_{k=2}^{2n} (-1)^k D_k x^{2k},$$

where $D_k = \frac{(-9+3^{2k+2}-40k-32k^2)}{4(2k+2)!}$.

2. Examples 10-12 suggest us that Corollary 7 is finer than Theorem 5 of [5] and we may naturally ask if more generally the following inequality

$$b_m(x) < 2 + \sum_{k=2}^{m-1} \frac{|B_{2k}| (2k-2)4^k}{(2k)!} x^{2k} + \left(\frac{2x}{\pi}\right)^{2n} \left(\frac{\pi^2}{4} - 2 - \sum_{k=2}^{m-1} \frac{|B_{2k}| (2k-2)4^k}{(2k)!} \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{2k}\right),$$

holds for any $m \geq 2$, where

$$\begin{aligned} b_p(x) = & \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^{2p+1} (-1)^k \frac{(2x)^{2k}}{(2k+1)!}\right) \left(1 + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{(2k-1)2^{2k} |B_{2k}|}{(2k)!} x^{2k}\right. \\ & \left. + \frac{2 \left(\frac{x}{\pi}\right)^{2p+2}}{(1 - \left(\frac{x}{\pi}\right)^2)^2} \left[(1-2p) \left(\frac{x}{\pi}\right)^2 + 2p+1\right] + \frac{2 \left(\frac{x}{2\pi}\right)^{2p+2}}{(1 - \left(\frac{x}{2\pi}\right)^2)^2} \left[(1-2p) \left(\frac{x}{2\pi}\right)^2 + 2p+1\right]\right). \end{aligned}$$

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