

On a new Trigonometric Formula

Abstract

In this short paper we given a new approximate definition of $\sin^{-1} x$ as a function of $x, \sqrt{1-x^2}$ which avoids imaginary units and natural logarithm that found in Euler formula result for all $\sin^{-1} x \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$, therefore it will be interest add to many applied fields .

Key words

New trigonometric formula, Euler formula, Maple , Trigonometric quantities .

1. Introduction

Trigonometry has very important applications in our life[1] , by this way we see that our formula is an important add to Math , this formula is an approximate equation deduced by studying the relationship between some trigonometric quantities in the interval $\left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$, to be the way to define $\sin^{-1} x$ as a function of $(x, \sqrt{1-x^2})$ without imaginary units or natural logarithm that found in the equation :

$$\sin^{-1} x = -i \ln(\sqrt{1-x^2} + ix). \quad (1)$$

which deduced by Euler formula[2] , our formula states that :

$$\sin^{-1} x \approx x + (1 - \sqrt{1-x^2})^{1.78} (1 - 0.43x) , \quad \sin^{-1} x \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]. \quad (2)$$

with error $< 1 \times 10^{-3}$ in radians .

2. Material and methods

The formula of this paper can be deduced by studying some trigonometric quantities when $x \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$, we also used x in degrees in this section .

$$\text{Assume that } g(x) = x - \sin x - (1 - \cos x)^2. \quad (3)$$

Maple shows that $g(x)$ has three important information when $x \in [0, 90]$

$$\text{a) } g(x) = 0 \text{ when } x = 40.5043$$

$$\text{b) } g(x) > 0 \text{ when } x < 40.5043$$

$$\text{c) } g(x) < 0 \text{ when } x > 40.5043$$

$$\text{Equation (3) leads to } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g(x) = 0 \text{ when } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 - \cos x)^\gamma = 0$$

$$\text{When } (\gamma) \text{ is a positive value , then } g(x) \propto (1 - \cos x)^\gamma \quad (4)$$

Information (a,b,c) leads to :

$$g(x) = 0 \text{ when } x = 45$$

$$g(x) > 0 \text{ when } x < 45$$

$$g(x) < 0 \text{ when } x > 45$$

$$\text{When } x = x + 4.4957$$

But we know that :

$$\cos x^\circ - \sin x^\circ = 0 \quad \text{when } x^\circ = 45$$

$$\cos x^\circ - \sin x^\circ > 0 \quad \text{when } x^\circ < 45$$

$$\cos x^\circ - \sin x^\circ < 0 \quad \text{when } x^\circ > 45$$

In comparison we get :

$$g(x) = 0 \quad \text{when } \cos x^\circ - \sin x^\circ = 0$$

$$g(x) > 0 \quad \text{when } \cos x^\circ - \sin x^\circ > 0$$

$$g(x) < 0 \quad \text{when } \cos x^\circ - \sin x^\circ < 0$$

$$\text{Then } g(x) \propto (\cos x^\circ - \sin x^\circ) \tag{5}$$

From the facts (4),(5) :

$$g(x) \propto (\cos x^\circ - \sin x^\circ)(1 - \cos x)^\gamma \tag{6}$$

$$\therefore g(x) = k(\cos x^\circ - \sin x^\circ)(1 - \cos x)^\gamma \tag{7}$$

By simplifying with trigonometric addition identities when $x^\circ = x + 4.4957$

$$\therefore g(x) = (\alpha \cos x - \beta \sin x)(1 - \cos x)^\gamma, (\alpha, \beta) \text{ are constants} \tag{8}$$

Now from equations (3,8) :

$$x = \sin x + (1 - \cos x)^2 + (\alpha \cos x - \beta \sin x)(1 - \cos x)^\gamma ; x \in [0,90] \tag{9}$$

$$\text{let } x = 90 \quad \text{then } \beta \approx 2 - \frac{\pi}{2} \approx 0.43$$

$$\therefore \alpha \cos 40.5043 = \beta \sin 40.5043 \quad \therefore \alpha \approx 0.37 \tag{10}$$

To move away from the values which near to ($x = 0, x = 90$) to get γ , we find that $\gamma \in (1.4554, 1.4697)$ when $x \in (10, 80)$ respectively .

from equation (9) :

$$\text{let } \phi_x = 1 - \cos x$$

$$\therefore x = \sin x + \phi_x^2 + (0.37(1 - \phi_x) - 0.43 \sin x)\phi_x^\gamma \tag{11}$$

$$\therefore x = \sin x + \phi_x^2 + 0.37\phi_x^\gamma - 0.37\phi_x^{\gamma+1} - 0.43\phi_x^\gamma \sin x \tag{12}$$

After we known the values of γ :

$$\phi_x^\gamma \in [\phi_{10}^{\gamma_{10}}, \phi_{80}^{\gamma_{80}}] = [2.25 \times 10^{-3}, 0.76] \tag{13}$$

$$\phi_x^{\gamma+1} \in [\phi_{10}^{\gamma_{10}+1}, \phi_{80}^{\gamma_{80}+1}] = [3.43 \times 10^{-3}, 0.62] \tag{14}$$

$$\phi_x^2 \in [\phi_{10}^2, \phi_{80}^2] = [2.3 \times 10^{-4}, 0.68] \tag{15}$$

that means ($\phi_x^\gamma, \phi_x^{\gamma+1}, \phi_x^2$) gives values partly near to each other , then we can substitute for

($\phi_x^\gamma, \phi_x^{\gamma+1}, \phi_x^2$) with ϕ_x^c which approximately mid-point between them, from equation (12):

$$x \approx \sin x + \phi_x^c + 0.37\phi_x^c - 0.37\phi_x^c - 0.43\phi_x^c \sin x \quad (16)$$

$$\therefore x \approx \sin x + \phi_x^c(1 - 0.43 \sin x) = \sin x + (1 - \cos x)^c(1 - 0.43 \sin x) \quad (17)$$

Now we can get $c \approx 1.78$

Finally when x in radians :

$$\therefore x \approx \sin x + (1 - \cos x)^{1.78}(1 - 0.43 \sin x), x \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right] \quad (18)$$

$$\therefore \sin^{-1} y \approx y + \left(1 - \sqrt{1 - y^2}\right)^{1.78} (1 - 0.43y), y \in [0,1], \text{ which includes the required.}$$

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