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INEQUALITIES CONNECTING GENERALIZED TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS WITH THEIR INVERSES

Abstract. Motivated by the recent work [1], in this paper we study the relations of generalized trigonometric and hyperbolic functions of two parameters with their inverse functions.

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§ 1. Introduction

In [2] P. Lindqvist studied generalized trigonometric and hyperbolic functions (p -functions) for a parameter $p > 1$, and for $p = 2$ they coincide with elementary functions. These p -functions were studied extensively, see for example [2–9] and their references. Recently these functions have been extended to (p, q) -functions with two parameters $p, q > 1$ in [10–13]. These functions coincide with the p -functions for $p = q$. For the historical background see the bibliography of these papers. In [14] and [1] authors have studied the inequalities involving elementary functions and their inverses. Thereafter in [14] Klén et al. studied those results in terms of p -functions. Here we generalized those inequalities for (p, q) -functions and establish double inequality for \sin_p in terms of elementary functions, \sin_p occurs as an eigenfunction of the Dirichlet problem for the one-dimensional p -Laplacian, see [6].

Before we formulate our main results we define the (p, q) -functions and some other notation. The increasing homeomorphism function $F_{p,q} : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, \pi_{p,q}/2]$ is defined by

$$\arcsin_{p,q}(x) = \int_0^x (1 - t^q)^{-1/p} dt.$$

Letting $t = z^{1/q}$, we have

$$\arcsin_{p,q}(x) = \frac{1}{q} \int_0^{x^q} z^{1/q-1} (1-z)^{-1/p} dz = \frac{1}{q} \tilde{B} \left(\frac{1}{q}, 1 - \frac{1}{p}, x^q \right),$$

where $\tilde{B}(a, b, x)$ is incomplete beta function defined as

$$\tilde{B}(a, b, x) = \int_0^x t^{a-1} (1-t)^{b-1} dt.$$

The inverse of $\arcsin_{p,q}$ is denoted by $\sin_{p,q}$, which is defined on the interval $[0, \pi_{p,q}/2]$, where

$$\pi_{p,q} = 2\arcsin_{p,q}(1) = \frac{2}{q} \tilde{B} \left(\frac{1}{q}, 1 - \frac{1}{p}, 1 \right) = \frac{2}{q} B \left(\frac{1}{q}, 1 - \frac{1}{p} \right),$$

here $B(a, b)$ denote the beta function. We also define

$$\arccos_{p,q} x = \arcsin_{p,q}((1-x^p)^{1/q})$$

(see [11, Prop. 3.1]), and

$$\cos_{p,q}(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \sin_{p,q}(x), \quad x \in [0, \pi_{p,q}/2].$$

Letting $y = \sin_{p,q}(x)$, we get

$$\cos_{p,q}(x) = (1 - (\sin_{p,q}(x))^q)^{1/p},$$

and

$$|\cos_{p,q}(x)|^p + |\sin_{p,q}(x)|^q = 1. \tag{1}$$

The generalized tangent function $\tan_{p,q}(x)$ is defined as

$$\tan_{p,q}(x) = \frac{\sin_{p,q}(x)}{\cos_{p,q}(x)}.$$

For $x \in (0, \infty)$, the inverse of generalized hyperbolic sine function $\sinh_{p,q}(x)$ is defined by

$$\operatorname{arcsinh}_{p,q} x = \int_0^x (1+t^q)^{-1/p} dt,$$

and generalized hyperbolic cosine and tangent functions are defined by

$$\cosh_{p,q}(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \sinh_{p,q}(x), \quad \tanh_{p,q}(x) = \frac{\sinh_{p,q}(x)}{\cosh_{p,q}(x)}, \quad x \geq 0$$

respectively. It follows from the definitions, that

$$|\cosh_{p,q}(x)|^p - |\sinh_{p,q}(x)|^q = 1, \quad x \geq 0. \quad (2)$$

The main results of the this paper reads as below.

Theorem 1. For $p, q > 1$ the following hold

- 1) For all $x \in (0, 1)$ and $y \in (0, \pi_{p,q}/2)$ with $y < \arcsin_{p,q}(x)$ we have

$$\arcsin_{p,q}(x) \sin_{p,q}(y) > xy.$$

- 2) For all $x \in (0, \pi_{p,q}/2)$ and $y \in (0, 1)$ with $\tan_{p,q}(x) > y$ we have

$$\tan_{p,q}(x) \arctan_{p,q}(y) > xy.$$

- 3) For all $x, y \in (0, \infty)$ with $y < \sinh_{p,q}(x)$ we have

$$\sinh_{p,q}(x) \operatorname{arcsinh}_{p,q}(y) > xy.$$

- 4) For all $x \in (0, 1)$ and $y \in (0, \infty)$ with $\operatorname{arctanh}_{p,q}(x) > y$ we have

$$\operatorname{arctanh}_{p,q}(x) \operatorname{tanh}_{p,q}(y) > xy.$$

Theorem 2. For $p, q > 1$ the following hold

- 1) $\frac{x}{\arcsin_{p,q}(x)} > \frac{\sin_{p,q}(\pi_{p,q}x/2)}{\pi_{p,q}x/2}, \quad x \in (0, 1),$
- 2) $\frac{\tan_{p,q}(x)}{x} < \frac{bx}{\arctan_{p,q}(bx)}, \quad x \in (0, k), \quad 0 < k < \frac{\pi_{p,q}}{2},$
 $b = \tan_{p,q}(k)/k,$
- 3) $\frac{\sinh_{p,q}(x)}{x} < \frac{x}{a \operatorname{arctan}_{p,q}(x/a)}, \quad x \in (0, k), \quad k > 0, \quad a = \frac{k}{\sinh_{p,q}(k)}.$
- 4) $\frac{x}{\operatorname{arctanh}_{p,q}(x)} > \frac{\operatorname{tanh}_{p,q}(cx)}{cx}, \quad x \in (0, k), \quad k \in (0, 1),$
 $c = k/\operatorname{arctanh}_{p,q}(k).$

§ 2. Preliminaries and proofs

The following derivative formulas will be used in our calculations, and they can be derived easily from the definition.

Lemma 1. For all $x \in (0, \pi_{p,q}/2)$, we have

- 1) $\frac{d}{dx} \cos_{p,q}(x) = -\frac{p}{q}(\cos_{p,q}(x))^{2-p}(\sin_{p,q}(x))^{q-1}$,
- 2) $\frac{d}{dx} \tan_{p,q}(x) = 1 + \frac{p(\sin_{p,q}(x))^q}{q(\cos_{p,q}(x))^p}$,
and for all $x \in (0, \infty)$
- 3) $\frac{d}{dx} \cosh_{p,q}(x) = \frac{q}{p}(\cosh_{p,q}(x))^{2-p}(\sinh_{p,q}(x))^{q-1}$,
- 4) $\frac{d}{dx} \tanh_{p,q}(x) = 1 - \frac{q(\sinh_{p,q}(x))^q}{p(\cosh_{p,q}(x))^p}$.

For the following *monotone l'Hospital rule* see [15, Theorem 1.25].

Lemma 2. For $-\infty < a < b < \infty$, let $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous on $[a, b]$, and be differentiable on (a, b) . Let $g'(x) \neq 0$ on (a, b) . If $f'(x)/g'(x)$ is increasing (decreasing) on (a, b) , then so are

$$\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{g(x) - g(a)} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{f(x) - f(b)}{g(x) - g(b)}.$$

If $f'(x)/g'(x)$ is strictly monotone, then the monotonicity in the conclusion is also strict.

For the proof of following lemma see ([1]).

Lemma 3. Let $f : I \rightarrow J$ be a injective function, where I, J are the subsets of $(0, \infty)$. Suppose that the function $g(x) = f(x)/x, x \in I$ is strictly increasing. Then for any $x \in I, y \in J$ such that $f(x) \geq y$ following holds

$$f(x)f^{-1}(y) \geq xy,$$

where $f^{-1} : J \rightarrow I$ denotes the inverse function of f . Under the same condition if $f(x) \leq y$ then we have

$$f(x)f^{-1}(y) \leq xy. \tag{3}$$

For the following lemma see [16, Theorem 2, p. 151], [13, Theorem 1].

Lemma 4.

- 1) Let $J \subset \mathbb{R}$ be an open interval, and $f : J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a strictly monotonic function. Let $f^{-1} : f(J) \rightarrow J$ be the inverse of f . If f is concave and increasing, then f^{-1} is convex.
- 2) For all $x \in (0, 1)$, the functions $p \mapsto \arcsin_p(x)$ and $p \mapsto \operatorname{arctanh}_p(x)$ are strictly decreasing in $p \in (1, \infty)$.

Lemma 5. For $p, q > 1$, the following hold

- 1) the function $f(x) = \frac{\arcsin_{p,q}(x)}{x}$ is increasing in $x \in (0, 1)$,
- 2) the function $g(x) = \frac{\tanh_{p,q}(x)}{x}$ is increasing in $x \in (0, \pi_{p,q}/2)$,
- 3) the function $h(x) = \frac{\sinh_{p,q}(x)}{x}$ is increasing in $x \in (0, \infty)$,
- 4) the function $j(x) = \frac{\operatorname{arctanh}_{p,q}(x)}{x}$ is increasing in $x \in (0, \infty)$ with $p > q$.

Proof. Let $f(x) = \frac{\arcsin_{p,q}(x)}{x} = \frac{f_1(x)}{f_2(x)}$. Then $f'_1(x) = (1 - x^q)^{-1/p} > 0$ and $f'_2(x) > 0$. Now it is clear by Lemma 2 that f is increasing. For the proof of part (2) and (3), let

$$g(x) = \frac{\tanh_{p,q}(x)}{x} = \frac{g_1(x)}{g_2(x)}, \quad h(x) = \frac{\sinh_{p,q}(x)}{x} = \frac{h_1(x)}{h_2(x)}.$$

Differentiation gives

$$g'_1(x) = 1 + \frac{p (\sin_{p,q}(x))^q}{q (\cos_{p,q}(x))^p} > 0, \quad \text{and} \quad h'_1(x) = \cosh_{p,q}(x) > 0,$$

and the proof is obvious from Lemma 2. For part (4), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \operatorname{tanh}_{p,q}(x) &= -\frac{q}{p} \left(\frac{q (\sinh_{p,q}(x))^{q-1} (\cosh_{p,q}(x))^{p+1} - q \cosh_{p,q}(x)}{(\sinh_{p,q}(x))^{2q-1}} \right) = \\ &= -\frac{q}{p} (\sinh_{p,q}(x))^{q-1} (\cosh_{p,q}(x))^{1-2p} < 0, \end{aligned}$$

since $\tanh_{p,q}(x)$ is concave, and clearly with $p > q$ it is increasing. By Lemma 4(1), $\operatorname{arctanh}_{p,q}(x)$ is convex, and from this fact we get, that

$$\frac{d}{dx} \operatorname{arctanh}_{p,q}(x)$$

is increasing. Hence the rest of proof follows from Lemma 2. \square

Proof of Theorem 1. The functions

$$\frac{\operatorname{arcsin}_{p,q}(x)}{x}, \quad \frac{\tan_{p,q}(x)}{x}, \quad \frac{\sinh_{p,q}(x)}{x}, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\operatorname{arctanh}_{p,q}(x)}{x}$$

are increasing by Lemma 5. The rest of proof follows immediately from Lemma 3. \square

It is easy to check by using the derivative formulas that the following relations

$$x < \operatorname{arcsin}_{p,q}(x), \quad x \in (0, 1),$$

$$x < \tan_{p,q}(x), \quad x \in (0, \pi_{p,q}/2),$$

$$x < \sinh_{p,q}(x), \quad x \in (0, \infty),$$

$$x > \tanh_{p,q}(x) \Rightarrow \operatorname{arctanh}_{p,q}(x) > x, \quad x \in (0, 1).$$

hold true for all $p, q > 1$.

By Theorem 1 and above relations we conclude the following corollary.

Corollary. *For $p, q > 1$ the following hold*

- 1) $\frac{x}{\operatorname{arcsin}_{p,q}(x)} < \frac{\sin_{p,q}(x)}{x}, \quad x \in (0, 1),$
- 2) $\frac{x}{\operatorname{arctan}_{p,q}(x)} < \frac{\tan_{p,q}(x)}{x}, \quad x \in (0, 1),$
- 3) $\frac{x}{\operatorname{arcsinh}_{p,q}(x)} < \frac{\sinh_{p,q}(x)}{x}, \quad x \in (0, \infty),$
- 4) $\frac{x}{\operatorname{arctanh}_{p,q}(x)} < \frac{\tanh_{p,q}(x)}{x}, \quad x \in (0, 1).$

Proof of Theorem 2. The monotonicity of the functions

$$\frac{\arcsin_{p,q}(x)}{x}, \quad \frac{\tan_{p,q}(x)}{x}, \quad \frac{\sinh_{p,q}(x)}{x}, \quad \frac{\operatorname{arctanh}_{p,q}(x)}{x}$$

imply, that

$$f_1(x) = \frac{\pi_{p,q}}{2} \arcsin_{p,q}(x) < x,$$

$$f_2(x) = \frac{\tan_{p,q}(x)}{b} < x,$$

$$f_3(x) = a \sinh_{p,q}(x) < x,$$

$$\text{and } f_4(x) = c \operatorname{arctanh}_{p,q}(x) < x.$$

Hence

$$f_1^{-1}(x) = \sin_{p,q}(\pi_{p,q}x/2), \quad f_2^{-1}(x) = \arctan_{p,q}(bx),$$

$$f_3^{-1}(x) = \operatorname{arcsinh}_{p,q}(x/a), \quad f_4^{-1}(x) = \operatorname{arctanh}_{p,q}(cx),$$

and the proof follows from (3) if we let $y = x$. □

Corollary. *The following assertions hold true:*

- 1) $\frac{x}{\arcsin(x)} < \frac{\sin_p(x)}{x}$, for $x \in (0, 1)$, $p \geq 2$,
- 2) $\frac{\sin_p(x)}{x} < \frac{2x/\pi_p}{\arcsin(2x/\pi_p)}$, for $x \in (0, \pi_2)$, $p \in (1, 2]$,
- 3) $\frac{x}{\arctan(x)} < \frac{\tan_p(x)}{x}$, for $x \in (0, 1)$, $p \in (1, 2]$,
- 4) $\frac{\tan_p(x)}{x} < \frac{bx}{\arctan(bx)}$, for $x \in (0, k)$, $0 < k < \pi_p/2$, $b = \frac{\tan(k)}{k}$.

The proof follows from Theorem 1, Lemma 4(2) and Corollary 2.

Remark. In [17, Theorem 2.3], the following inequality was proved

$$\tilde{B}(a, b, x)\tilde{B}(a, b, y) \leq \tilde{B}(a, b, x + y - z)\tilde{B}(a, b, z)$$

for $a \in (0, 1)$, $b > 0$ and $x, y > z$. Under the same assumption with $0 < x + y - z < 1$ and $x, y, z \in (0, 1)$ one has

$$\arcsin_{p,q}(x)\arcsin_{p,q}(y) \leq \arcsin_{p,q}(x + y - z)\arcsin_{p,q}(z).$$

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