

## WILKER AND HUYGENS TYPE INEQUALITIES FOR THE LEMNISCATE FUNCTIONS

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*Abstract.* In this paper, we establish Wilker and Huygens type inequalities for the Lemniscate functions.

### 1. Introduction

The lemniscate, also called the lemniscate of Bernoulli, is the locus of points  $(x, y)$  in the plane satisfying the equation  $(x^2 + y^2)^2 = x^2 - y^2$ . In polar coordinates  $(r, \theta)$ , the equation becomes  $r^2 = \cos(2\theta)$  and its arc length is given by the function

$$\operatorname{arcsl}x = \int_0^x \frac{dt}{\sqrt{1-t^4}}, \quad |x| \leq 1, \quad (1)$$

where  $\operatorname{arcsl}x$  is called the arc lemniscate sine function studied by C.F. Gauss in 1797–1798. Another lemniscate function investigated by Gauss is the hyperbolic arc lemniscate sine function, defined as

$$\operatorname{arcslh}x = \int_0^x \frac{dt}{\sqrt{1+t^4}}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (2)$$

Functions (1) and (2) can be found (see [2, p. 259], [3, (2.5)–(2.6)], [10, 11] and [16, Ch. 1]).

Another pair of lemniscate functions, the arc lemniscate tangent  $\operatorname{arctl}$  and the hyperbolic arc lemniscate tangent  $\operatorname{arctlh}$ , have been introduced in [10, (3.1)–(3.2)]. Therein it has been proven that

$$\operatorname{arctl}x = \operatorname{arcsl}\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt[4]{1+x^4}}\right), \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad (3)$$

and

$$\operatorname{arctlh}x = \operatorname{arcslh}\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt[4]{1-x^4}}\right), \quad |x| < 1 \quad (4)$$

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(see [10, Prop. 3.1]). It is worth mentioning that all four lemniscate functions can be expressed in terms of the completely symmetric elliptic integral of the first kind

$$R_F(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty [(t+x)(t+y)(t+z)]^{-1/2} dt,$$

where at most one of the nonnegative variables  $x; y; z$  is 0 (see [4, (9.2-1)].

Wilker in [18] proposed two open problems:

(a) Prove that if  $0 < x < \pi/2$ , then

$$\left(\frac{\sin x}{x}\right)^2 + \frac{\tan x}{x} > 2. \quad (5)$$

(b) Find the largest constant  $c$  such that

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

for  $0 < x < \pi/2$ .

In [17], inequality (5) was proved, and the following inequality

$$2 + \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^4 x^3 \tan x < \left(\frac{\sin x}{x}\right)^2 + \frac{\tan x}{x} < 2 + \frac{8}{45} x^3 \tan x \quad \text{for } 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad (6)$$

where the constants  $\left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^4$  and  $\frac{8}{45}$  are best possible, was also established.

Wilker type inequalities (5) and (6) have attracted much interest of many mathematicians and have motivated a large number of research papers involving different proofs, various generalizations and improvements (cf. [6, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29] and the references cited therein). The inequality (5) is now known as the first Wilker inequality in the literature [13].

A related inequality which is of interest to us is Huygens inequality [7], which asserts that

$$2 \left(\frac{\sin x}{x}\right) + \frac{\tan x}{x} > 3 \quad \text{for all } 0 < |x| < \frac{\pi}{2}. \quad (7)$$

In [26], Zhu established some new inequalities of the Huygens type for trigonometric and hyperbolic functions. Baricz and Sándor [1] pointed out that inequalities (5) and (7) are simple consequences of the arithmetic-geometric mean inequality together with the well-known Lazarević-type inequality [8, p. 238]

$$(\cos x)^{1/3} < \frac{\sin x}{x} \quad \text{for all } 0 < |x| < \frac{\pi}{2},$$

or equivalently,

$$\left(\frac{\sin x}{x}\right)^2 \frac{\tan x}{x} > 1 \quad \text{for all } 0 < |x| < \frac{\pi}{2}. \quad (8)$$

Wu and Srivastava [19, Lemma 3] established another inequality

$$\left(\frac{x}{\sin x}\right)^2 + \frac{x}{\tan x} > 2 \quad \text{for all } 0 < |x| < \frac{\pi}{2}, \tag{9}$$

which is now known as the second Wilker inequality in the literature [13].

In [5], Chen and Cheung showed that the first Wilker inequality (5), Huygens inequality (7), Lazarević-type inequality (8) and the second Wilker inequality (9) can be grouped into the following inequality chain:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(\sin x/x)^2 + \tan x/x}{2} &> \frac{2(\sin x/x) + \tan x/x}{3} > \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{\sin x}{x}\right)^2 \frac{\tan x}{x}} > 1 \\ &> \frac{2}{1/(\sin x/x)^2 + 1/(\tan x/x)}, \quad 0 < |x| < \frac{\pi}{2}, \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

in terms of the arithmetic, geometric and harmonic means.

Recently, Zhu [25] established a hyperbolic version of the first Wilker inequality

$$\left(\frac{\sinh x}{x}\right)^2 + \frac{\tanh x}{x} > 2, \quad x \neq 0. \tag{11}$$

Neuman and Sándor [13] gave generalizations and extensions of the inequalities (5)–(9) to the case of hyperbolic functions. Chen and Cheung [5] showed the following inequality chain:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(\sinh x/x)^2 + \tanh x/x}{2} &> \frac{2(\sinh x/x) + \tanh x/x}{3} > \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{\sinh x}{x}\right)^2 \frac{\tanh x}{x}} > 1 \\ &> \frac{2}{1/(\sinh x/x)^2 + 1/(\tanh x/x)}, \quad x \neq 0, \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

in terms of the arithmetic, geometric and harmonic means.

Very recently, Chen and Cheung [5] established Wilker and Huygens type inequalities for inverse trigonometric and inverse hyperbolic functions.

In this paper, we establish Wilker and Huygens type inequalities for the lemniscate functions.

### 2. Lemmas and Propositions

It is known that the binomial coefficients

$$\binom{a}{n} = \frac{a(a-1)\cdots(a-n+1)}{n!} = \frac{\Gamma(1+a)}{n! \cdot \Gamma(1+a-n)} = \frac{(-1)^n \Gamma(n-a)}{n! \cdot \Gamma(-a)},$$

where  $\Gamma$  denotes the gamma function.

LEMMA 1. (i) For  $|x| < 1$ ,

$$\operatorname{arcsl} x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n + \frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi}(4n + 1) \cdot n!} x^{4n+1}. \quad (13)$$

(ii) Let  $p \geq 0$  be an integer. Then for  $0 < x < 1$ ,

$$\sum_{k=0}^{2p-1} (-1)^k u_k(x) < \operatorname{arct} x < \sum_{k=0}^{2p} (-1)^k u_k(x), \quad (14)$$

where

$$u_k(x) = \frac{\Gamma(k + \frac{3}{4})}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{4}) \cdot (4k + 1) \cdot k!} x^{4k+1}.$$

*Proof.* We note that  $1/\sqrt{1-t^4}$  can be expressed in series form as follows:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-t^4}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{-\frac{1}{2}}{n} (-1)^n t^{4n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n + \frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi} \cdot n!} t^{4n}, \quad |t| < 1.$$

Consequently, for  $|x| < 1$ ,

$$\operatorname{arcsl} x = \int_0^x \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-t^4}} dt = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n + \frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi}(4n + 1) \cdot n!} x^{4n+1}.$$

Elementary calculations reveal that for  $|x| < 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (\operatorname{arct} x)' &= \frac{d}{dx} \int_0^{x/\sqrt{1+x^4}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-t^4}} dt = \frac{1}{(1+x^4)^{3/4}} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{-\frac{3}{4}}{n} x^{4n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{\Gamma(n + \frac{3}{4})}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{4}) \cdot n!} x^{4n}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, for  $|x| < 1$ ,

$$\operatorname{arct} x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{\Gamma(n + \frac{3}{4})}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{4}) \cdot (4n + 1) \cdot n!} x^{4n+1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n u_n(x), \quad (15)$$

where

$$u_n(x) = \frac{\Gamma(n + \frac{3}{4})}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{4}) \cdot (4n + 1) \cdot n!} x^{4n+1}.$$

We find that, for  $0 < x < 1$  and  $m \geq 0$ ,

$$u_{2m}(x) - u_{2m+1}(x) = \left( \frac{1}{8m+1} - \frac{8m+3}{4(8m+5)(2m+1)}x^4 \right) \frac{\Gamma(2m+\frac{3}{4})}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{4}) \cdot (2m)!} x^{8m+1} > 0,$$

since

$$\frac{1}{8m+1} > \frac{8m+3}{4(8m+5)(2m+1)} > \frac{8m+3}{4(8m+5)(2m+1)}x^4$$

for  $0 < x < 1$  and  $m \geq 0$ . Hence, it follows that for  $0 < x < 1$  and  $p \geq 1$ ,

$$\arctl x = (u_0(x) - u_1(x)) + (u_2(x) - u_3(x)) + \dots > \sum_{k=0}^{2p-1} (-1)^k u_k(x).$$

We find that, for  $0 < x < 1$  and  $m \geq 1$ ,

$$u_{2m-1}(x) - u_{2m}(x) = \left( \frac{1}{8m-3} - \frac{8m-1}{8m(8m+1)}x^4 \right) \frac{\Gamma(2m-\frac{1}{4})}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{4}) \cdot (2m-1)!} x^{8m-3} > 0,$$

since

$$\frac{1}{8m-3} > \frac{8m-1}{8m(8m+1)} > \frac{8m-1}{8m(8m+1)}x^4$$

for  $0 < x < 1$  and  $m \geq 1$ . Hence, it follows that for  $0 < x < 1$  and  $p \geq 0$ ,

$$\arctl x = u_0(x) - (u_1(x) - u_2(x)) - (u_3(x) - u_4(x)) - \dots < \sum_{k=0}^{2p} (-1)^k u_k(x).$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 1.  $\square$

PROPOSITION 1. For  $0 < |x| < 1$ , we have

$$\left( \frac{x}{\arcsl x} \right)^2 + \frac{x}{\arctl x} < 2. \tag{16}$$

*Proof.* It follows from (13) that for  $0 < |x| < 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{\arcsl x}{x} \right)^2 &= \left( 1 + \frac{1}{10}x^4 + \frac{1}{24}x^8 + \frac{5}{208}x^{12} + \dots \right)^2 \\ &= 1 + \frac{1}{5}x^4 + \frac{7}{75}x^8 + \frac{11}{195}x^{12} + \dots \\ &> 1 + \frac{1}{5}x^4 + \frac{7}{75}x^8. \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

It follows from (14) that for  $0 < |x| < 1$ ,

$$1 - \frac{3}{20}x^4 < \frac{\arctan x}{x} < 1. \quad (18)$$

By using inequalities (17) and (18), we find for  $0 < |x| < 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{x}{\arcsin x}\right)^2 + \frac{x}{\arctan x} - 2 &< \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{5}x^4 + \frac{7}{75}x^8} + \frac{1}{1 - \frac{3}{20}x^4} - 2 \\ &= \frac{x^4(-75 - 50x^4 + 42x^8)}{(75 + 15x^4 + 7x^8)(20 - 3x^4)} < 0, \end{aligned}$$

since

$$-75 - 50t + 42t^2 < 0 \quad \text{for } 0 < t < 1.$$

The proof is complete.  $\square$

LEMMA 2. (i) Let  $p \geq 0$  be an integer. Then for  $0 < x < 1$ ,

$$\sum_{k=0}^{2p-1} (-1)^k v_k(x) < \operatorname{arcsinh} x < \sum_{k=0}^{2p} (-1)^k v_k(x), \quad (19)$$

where

$$v_k(x) = \frac{\Gamma(k + \frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi}(4k + 1) \cdot n!} x^{4k+1}.$$

(ii) For  $|x| < 1$ , we have

$$\operatorname{arctanh} x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n + \frac{3}{4})}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{4}) \cdot (4n + 1) \cdot n!} x^{4n+1}. \quad (20)$$

*Proof.* We note that  $1/\sqrt{1+t^4}$  can be expressed in series form as follows:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^4}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{\Gamma(n + \frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi} \cdot n!} t^{4n}, \quad |t| < 1.$$

Consequently, for  $|x| < 1$ ,

$$\operatorname{arcsinh} x = \int_0^x \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^4}} dt = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{\Gamma(n + \frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi}(4n + 1) \cdot n!} x^{4n+1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n v_n(x),$$

where

$$v_n(x) = \frac{\Gamma(n + \frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi}(4n + 1) \cdot n!} x^{4n+1}.$$

We find that, for  $0 < x < 1$  and  $m \geq 0$ ,

$$v_{2m}(x) - v_{2m+1}(x) = \left( \frac{1}{8m+1} - \frac{4m+1}{2(8m+5)(2m+1)}x^4 \right) \frac{\Gamma(2m+\frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi} \cdot (2m)!} x^{8m+1} > 0,$$

since

$$\frac{1}{8m+1} > \frac{4m+1}{2(8m+5)(2m+1)} > \frac{4m+1}{2(8m+5)(2m+1)}x^4$$

for  $0 < x < 1$  and  $m \geq 0$ . Hence, it follows that for  $0 < x < 1$  and  $p \geq 1$ ,

$$\operatorname{arcslh}x = (v_0(x) - v_1(x)) + (v_2(x) - v_3(x)) + \dots > \sum_{k=0}^{2p-1} (-1)^k v_k(x).$$

We find that, for  $0 < x < 1$  and  $m \geq 1$ ,

$$v_{2m-1}(x) - v_{2m}(x) = \left( \frac{1}{8m-3} - \frac{4m-1}{4m(8m+1)}x^4 \right) \frac{\Gamma(2m-\frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi} \cdot (2m-1)!} x^{8m-3} > 0,$$

since

$$\frac{1}{8m-3} > \frac{4m-1}{4m(8m+1)} > \frac{4m-1}{4m(8m+1)}x^4$$

for  $0 < x < 1$  and  $m \geq 1$ . Hence, it follows that for  $0 < x < 1$  and  $p \geq 0$ ,

$$\operatorname{arcslh}x = v_0(x) - (v_1(x) - v_2(x)) - (v_3(x) - v_4(x)) - \dots < \sum_{k=0}^{2p} (-1)^k v_k(x).$$

Elementary calculations reveal that for  $|x| < 1$ ,

$$(\operatorname{arcthl}x)' = \frac{d}{dx} \int_0^{x/\sqrt[4]{1-x^4}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^4}} dt = \frac{1}{(1-x^4)^{3/4}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n+\frac{3}{4})}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{4}) \cdot n!} x^{4n}.$$

Consequently, for  $|x| < 1$ ,

$$\operatorname{arcthl}x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n+\frac{3}{4})}{\Gamma(\frac{3}{4}) \cdot (4n+1) \cdot n!} x^{4n+1}.$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 2.  $\square$

PROPOSITION 2. For  $0 < |x| < 1$ , we have

$$\frac{x}{\operatorname{arcslh}x} + \left(\frac{x}{\operatorname{arctlh}x}\right)^2 < 2. \tag{21}$$

*Proof.* It follows from (19) for  $0 < x < 1$ ,

$$1 - \frac{1}{10}x^4 < \frac{\operatorname{arcslh}x}{x} < 1 - \frac{1}{10}x^4 + \frac{1}{24}x^8. \tag{22}$$

It follows from (20) for  $0 < x < 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\operatorname{arctlh}x}{x}\right)^2 &= \left(1 + \frac{3}{20}x^4 + \frac{7}{96}x^8 + \dots\right)^2 = 1 + \frac{3}{10}x^4 + \frac{101}{600}x^8 + \dots \\ &> 1 + \frac{3}{10}x^4. \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

By using inequalities (22) and (23), we find for  $0 < |x| < 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x}{\operatorname{arcslh}x} + \left(\frac{x}{\operatorname{arctlh}x}\right)^2 - 2 &< \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{10}x^4} + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{3}{10}x^4} - 2 \\ &= -\frac{2x^4(10 - 3x^4)}{(10 - x^4)(10 + 3x^4)} < 0. \end{aligned}$$

The proof is complete.  $\square$

### 3. Main results

THEOREM 1. For  $0 < |x| < 1$ , we have

$$\left(\frac{\operatorname{arcslx}}{x}\right)^2 + \frac{\operatorname{arctl}x}{x} > 2 \tag{24}$$

and

$$2\left(\frac{\operatorname{arcslx}}{x}\right) + \frac{\operatorname{arctl}x}{x} > 3. \tag{25}$$

*Proof.* Inequality (16) can be rewritten as

$$\frac{2}{1/(\operatorname{arcslx}/x)^2 + 1/(\operatorname{arctl}x/x)} > 1, \quad 0 < |x| < 1,$$

that is to say, the harmonic mean of  $\left(\frac{\operatorname{arcslx}}{x}\right)^2$  and  $\frac{\operatorname{arctl}x}{x}$  is greater than 1. By using the arithmetic–geometric–harmonic mean inequality, we get, for  $0 < |x| < 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(\operatorname{arcslx}/x)^2 + \operatorname{arctl}x/x}{2} &> \sqrt{\left(\frac{\operatorname{arcslx}}{x}\right)^2 \left(\frac{\operatorname{arctl}x}{x}\right)} \\ &> \frac{2}{1/(\operatorname{arcslx}/x)^2 + 1/(\operatorname{arctl}x/x)} > 1, \end{aligned} \tag{26}$$



and

$$\frac{2(\operatorname{arcsl}x/x) + \operatorname{arctl}x/x}{3} > \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{\operatorname{arcsl}x}{x}\right)^2 \left(\frac{\operatorname{arctl}x}{x}\right)} > 1. \quad \square \quad (27)$$

REMARK 1. For  $0 < |x| < 1$ , we have, by (26),

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(\operatorname{arcsl}x/x)^2 + \operatorname{arctl}x/x}{2} - \frac{2(\operatorname{arcsl}x/x) + \operatorname{arctl}x/x}{3} \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \left[ 2 \left(\frac{\operatorname{arcsl}x}{x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\operatorname{arcsl}x}{x}\right)^2 + \frac{\operatorname{arctl}x}{x} - 4 \left(\frac{\operatorname{arcsl}x}{x}\right) \right] \\ &> \frac{1}{6} \left[ 2 \left(\frac{\operatorname{arcsl}x}{x}\right)^2 + 2 - 4 \left(\frac{\operatorname{arcsl}x}{x}\right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \left( 1 - \frac{\operatorname{arcsl}x}{x} \right)^2 > 0, \end{aligned}$$

which shows that inequality (25) is sharper than inequality (24).

Theorem 2 below establishes a sharp result of inequality (24), which presents an analogue of the first inequality in (6).

THEOREM 2. For  $0 < |x| < 1$ , we have

$$2 + \frac{1}{20}x^3 \operatorname{arctl}x < \left(\frac{\operatorname{arcsl}x}{x}\right)^2 + \frac{\operatorname{arctl}x}{x}. \quad (28)$$

The constant  $\frac{1}{20}$  is best possible.

Proof. By (17) and (18), we have for  $0 < |x| < 1$ ,

$$\left(\frac{\operatorname{arcsl}x}{x}\right)^2 + \frac{\operatorname{arctl}x}{x} - 2 - \frac{1}{20}x^3 \operatorname{arctl}x > \frac{1}{20}x^3(x - \operatorname{arctl}x) + \frac{7}{75}x^8 > 0.$$

Elementary calculations reveal that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\left(\frac{\operatorname{arcsl}x}{x}\right)^2 + \frac{\operatorname{arctl}x}{x} - 2}{x^3 \operatorname{arctl}x} = \frac{1}{20}.$$

Hence, inequality (28) holds with best possible constant  $\frac{1}{20}$ .  $\square$

There is no strict comparison between the representation  $\frac{(\operatorname{arcslh}x/x)^2 + \operatorname{arctlh}x/x}{2}$  and constant 1. Now we ask: Can the arithmetic mean of  $\operatorname{arcslh}x/x$  and  $(\operatorname{arctlh}x/x)^2$  be compared with constant 1? Theorem 3 gives an affirmative answer.

THEOREM 3. For  $0 < |x| < 1$ , we have

$$\frac{\operatorname{arcslh} x}{x} + \left(\frac{\operatorname{arctlh} x}{x}\right)^2 > 2 \tag{29}$$

and

$$\frac{\operatorname{arcslh} x}{x} + 2\left(\frac{\operatorname{arctlh} x}{x}\right) > 3. \tag{30}$$

*Proof.* Inequality (21) can be rewritten as

$$\frac{2}{1/(\operatorname{arcslh} x/x) + 1/(\operatorname{arctlh} x/x)^2} > 1, \quad 0 < |x| < 1,$$

that is to say, the harmonic mean of  $\frac{\operatorname{arcslh} x}{x}$  and  $\left(\frac{\operatorname{arctlh} x}{x}\right)^2$  is greater than 1. By using the arithmetic–geometric–harmonic mean inequality, we get, for  $0 < |x| < 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\operatorname{arcslh} x/x + (\operatorname{arctlh} x/x)^2}{2} &> \sqrt{\left(\frac{\operatorname{arcslh} x}{x}\right)\left(\frac{\operatorname{arctlh} x}{x}\right)^2} \\ &> \frac{2}{1/(\operatorname{arcslh} x/x) + 1/(\operatorname{arctlh} x/x)^2} > 1, \end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

and

$$\frac{\operatorname{arcslh} x/x + 2(\operatorname{arctlh} x/x)}{3} > \sqrt[3]{\left(\frac{\operatorname{arcslh} x}{x}\right)\left(\frac{\operatorname{arctlh} x}{x}\right)^2} > 1. \quad \square \tag{32}$$

REMARK 2. For  $0 < |x| < 1$ , we have, by (31),

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\operatorname{arcslh} x/x + (\operatorname{arctlh} x/x)^2}{2} - \frac{\operatorname{arcslh} x/x + 2(\operatorname{arctlh} x/x)}{3} \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \left[ \frac{\operatorname{arcslh} x}{x} + \left(\frac{\operatorname{arctlh} x}{x}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{\operatorname{arctlh} x}{x}\right)^2 - 4\left(\frac{\operatorname{arctlh} x}{x}\right) \right] \\ &> \frac{1}{6} \left[ 2 + 2\left(\frac{\operatorname{arctlh} x}{x}\right)^2 - 4\left(\frac{\operatorname{arctlh} x}{x}\right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \left( 1 - \frac{\operatorname{arctlh} x}{x} \right)^2 > 0, \end{aligned}$$

which shows that inequality (30) is sharper than inequality (29).

Finally, we propose the following conjecture.

CONJECTURE 1. For  $0 < |x| < 1$ , we have

$$2 + \frac{1}{5}x^3 \operatorname{arctlh}x < \frac{\operatorname{arcslh}x}{x} + \left( \frac{\operatorname{arctlh}x}{x} \right)^2. \quad (33)$$

The constant  $\frac{1}{5}$  is best possible.

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