# New inequalities between the inverse hyperbolic tangent and the analogue for corresponding functions 

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#### Abstract

In this paper, we present new inequalities which reveal further relationship for both the inverse tangent function $\arctan (x)$ and the inverse hyperbolic function $\operatorname{arctanh}(x)$. At the same time, we give the analogue for inverse hyperbolic tangent and other corresponding functions.


Keywords: Inequalities; Inverse tangent function; Inverse hyperbolic sine function; Inverse hyperbolic tangent function; Inverse sine function

## 1 Introduction

Masjed-Jamei [1] obtained the following inequality for $|x|<1$ :

$$
\begin{equation*}
(\arctan x)^{2} \leq \frac{x \ln \left(x+\sqrt{1+x^{2}}\right)}{\sqrt{1+x^{2}}} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Many similar or relative inequalities are discussed in references [2-14]. Recently, Zhu and Malesevic [15] affirmed inequality (1) for the large interval $(-\infty, \infty)$, pointed out that $\sinh ^{-1}(x)=\ln \left(x+\sqrt{1+x^{2}}\right)$, and provided the following Theorems $1-6$, which (or relative results) can be also found in [11, 12].

Theorem 1 ([15]) The inequality

$$
\begin{equation*}
(\arctan x)^{2} \leq \frac{x \ln \left(x+\sqrt{1+x^{2}}\right)}{\sqrt{1+x^{2}}} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

holds for all $x \in(-\infty, \infty)$, and the power number 2 is the best in (2).
Theorem 2 ([15]) Let $0<r<\infty, \lambda=1$, and $\mu=r \ln \left(r+\sqrt{r^{2}+1}\right) /\left(\sqrt{r^{2}+1}(\arctan r)^{2}\right)$. Then the double inequality

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lambda(\arctan x)^{2} \leq \frac{x \ln \left(x+\sqrt{1+x^{2}}\right)}{\sqrt{1+x^{2}}} \leq \mu(\arctan x)^{2} \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

holds for all $x \in(--r, r)$, where $\lambda$ and $\mu$ are the best constants in (3).
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Theorem 3 ([15]) We have

$$
\begin{align*}
-\frac{1}{45} x^{6} \leq(\arctan x)^{2}-\frac{x \ln \left(x+\sqrt{1+x^{2}}\right)}{\sqrt{1+x^{2}}} & \leq-\frac{1}{45} x^{6}+\frac{4}{105} x^{8}  \tag{4}\\
-\frac{1}{45} x^{6}+\frac{4}{105} x^{8}-\frac{11}{225} x^{10} & \leq(\arctan x)^{2}-\frac{x \ln \left(x+\sqrt{1+x^{2}}\right)}{\sqrt{1+x^{2}}} \\
& \leq-\frac{1}{45} x^{6} \leq+\frac{4}{105} x^{8}-\frac{11}{225} x^{10}+\frac{586}{10,395} x^{12} . \tag{5}
\end{align*}
$$

Theorem 4 ([15]) The inequality

$$
\begin{equation*}
(\operatorname{arctanh} x)^{2} \leq \frac{x \arcsin x}{\sqrt{1-x^{2}}} \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

holds for all $x \in(-1,1)$, and the power number 2 is the best in (6).

Theorem 5 ([15]) Let $0<r<1, \alpha_{1}=1$, and $\beta_{1}=r(\arcsin r) /\left(\sqrt{1--r^{2}}(\operatorname{arctanh} r)^{2}\right)$. Then the double inequality

$$
\begin{equation*}
\alpha_{1}(\operatorname{arctanh} x)^{2} \leq \frac{x \arcsin x}{\sqrt{1-x^{2}}} \leq \beta_{1}(\operatorname{arctanh} x)^{2} \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

holds for all $x \in(-r, r)$, where $\alpha_{1}$ and $\beta_{1}$ are the best constants in (7).

Recently, Chen and Malešević [14] proposed the following results:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \frac{x \operatorname{arcsinh} x}{\sqrt{1+x^{2}+\alpha_{2} x^{4}}} \leq(\arctan x)^{2} \leq \frac{x \operatorname{arcsinh} x}{\sqrt{1+x^{2}+\beta_{2} x^{4}}}, \quad x>0,  \tag{8}\\
& \frac{x \arcsin x}{1-\alpha_{3} x^{2}}<(\operatorname{arctanh} x)^{2}, \quad 0<x<1 \tag{9}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\alpha_{2}=\frac{2}{45}, \beta_{2}=0$, and $\alpha_{3}=\frac{1}{2}$ are the best possible constants.
In 2020, Zhu and Malešević [13] proposed natural approximation of Masjed-Jamei's inequality and provided two-sided bounds in a polynomial form of $(\arctan x)^{2}-\frac{x \ln \left(x+\sqrt{1+x^{2}}\right)}{\sqrt{1+x^{2}}}$, which consists of explicit formulae of different degrees.
The values of $\mu$ in Theorem 2 and $\beta_{1}$ in Theorem 5 tend to be $+\infty$ for $r$ tends to be $\pm \infty$ and $\pm 1$, respectively. In this paper, we obtain the following new inequalities, which improve the approximation effect of the inequalities in [15]. The main results are as follows.

## Theorem 6 The inequality

$$
\begin{equation*}
(\arctan x)^{2} \geq \frac{3\left(8+9 x^{2}-8 \sqrt{1+x^{2}}\right)}{\left(4+11 \sqrt{1+x^{2}}\right) \sqrt{1+x^{2}}} \triangleq F(x) \tag{10}
\end{equation*}
$$

holds for all $x \in(-\infty, \infty)$.

Theorem 7 Let $\kappa_{1}=\frac{108}{11 \pi^{2}} \approx 0.9947$ and $\kappa_{2}=1$. The inequality

$$
\begin{equation*}
\kappa_{1}(\arctan x)^{2} \leq F(x) \leq \kappa_{2}(\arctan x)^{2} \tag{11}
\end{equation*}
$$

holds for all $x \in(-\infty, \infty)$, where $\kappa_{1}$ and $\kappa_{2}$ are the best constants in (11).

Theorem 8 The inequality

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{23}{75,600} x^{8} \geq(\arctan x)^{2}-F(x) \geq \frac{23}{75,600} x^{8}-\frac{899}{1,134,000} x^{10} \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

holds for all $x \in(-\infty, \infty)$.

Theorem 9 The inequality

$$
\begin{equation*}
G_{1}(x) \triangleq(\operatorname{arctanh} x)^{2} \leq\left(\frac{-\ln \left(1-x^{2}\right)}{\arcsin x}\right)^{2} \triangleq G_{2}(x) \tag{13}
\end{equation*}
$$

holds for all $x \in(-1,1)$.

Theorem 10 Let $\kappa_{3}=1$ and $\kappa_{4}=\frac{16}{\pi^{2}} \approx 1.6211$. The inequality

$$
\begin{equation*}
\kappa_{3}(\operatorname{arctanh} x)^{2} \leq\left(\frac{-\ln \left(1-x^{2}\right)}{\arcsin x}\right)^{2} \leq \kappa_{4}(\operatorname{arctanh} x)^{2} \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

holds for all $x \in(-1,1)$, where $\kappa_{3}$ and $\kappa_{4}$ are the best constants in (14).

## 2 Proofs of Theorems 6-10

Let $\arctan x=t$, then one has that $x=\tan (t)$ and $\sqrt{1+x^{2}}=\sec (t)$, where $x \in(-\infty, \infty)$ and $t \in(-\pi / 2, \pi / 2)$. It can be verified that

$$
\begin{align*}
& (\arctan x)^{2}=t^{2}, \\
& F(x)=-\frac{3}{4} \cos (t)-\frac{63}{16}+\frac{1125}{16(4 \cos (t)+11)}=f_{1}(t),  \tag{15}\\
& (\arctan x)^{2}-F(x)=\left(t^{2}-f_{1}(t)\right)=\delta_{1}(t), \\
& \delta_{1}^{\prime \prime \prime}(t)=\frac{\left(12\left(16 \cos (t)^{2}+208 \cos (t)+1501\right)\right)(\cos (t)-1)^{2} \sin (t)}{(4 \cos (t)+11)^{4}} .
\end{align*}
$$

### 2.1 Proof of Theorem 6

From Eq. (15), one has that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta_{1}^{\prime \prime \prime}(t)>0, \quad t \in(0, \pi / 2), \quad \delta_{1}^{\prime \prime}(0)=\delta_{1}^{\prime}(0)=\delta_{1}(0)=0, \tag{16}
\end{equation*}
$$

which leads to

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta_{1}^{\prime \prime}(t)>0, \quad \delta_{1}^{\prime}(t)>0, \quad t \in(0, \pi / 2), \quad \delta_{1}(t) \geq \delta_{1}(0)=0, \quad t \in[0, \pi / 2) . \tag{17}
\end{equation*}
$$

Note that $\delta_{1}(t)=\delta_{1}(-t)$, combining Eq. (15) with Eq. (17), one has that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta_{1}(t) \geq 0, \quad t \in(-\pi / 2, \pi / 2), \quad \text { and } \quad(\arctan x)^{2}-F(x) \geq 0, \quad x \in(-\infty, \infty) . \tag{18}
\end{equation*}
$$

And we complete the proof.

### 2.2 Proof of Theorem 7

From Theorem 6, one has that

$$
F(x) \leq \kappa_{2}(\arctan x)^{2} .
$$

Now we prove that $\kappa_{1}(\arctan x)^{2} \leq F(x)$. From Eq. (15), one has that

$$
\begin{align*}
& \kappa_{1}(\arctan x)^{2}-F(x)=\kappa_{1} t^{2}-f_{1}(t)=\delta_{2}(t) \\
& \delta_{2}^{\prime \prime \prime}(t)=-f_{1}^{\prime \prime \prime}(t)=\delta_{1}^{\prime \prime \prime}(t)>0, \quad t \in(0, \pi / 2)  \tag{19}\\
& \delta_{2}^{\prime \prime}(0)=\frac{216-22 \pi^{2}}{11 \pi^{2}} \approx-0.01<0, \quad \delta_{2}^{\prime \prime}(\pi / 2)=\frac{26136-2250 \pi^{2}}{1331 \pi^{2}} \approx 0.2>0 .
\end{align*}
$$

From Eq. (19), there exists a unique root $t_{1} \in(0, \pi / 2)$ such that

$$
\begin{align*}
& \delta_{2}^{\prime \prime}(t)<0, \quad t \in\left(0, t_{1}\right), \quad \delta_{2}^{\prime}(0)=0, \\
& \delta_{2}^{\prime \prime}(t)>0, \quad t \in\left(t_{1}, \pi / 2\right), \quad \delta_{2}^{\prime}(\pi / 2)=\frac{1188-372 \pi}{121 \pi} \approx 0.05>0 . \tag{20}
\end{align*}
$$

From Eq. (19), there exists a unique root $t_{2} \in\left(t_{1}, \pi / 2\right)$ such that

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\delta_{2}^{\prime}(t)<0, & t \in\left(0, t_{2}\right), \\
\delta_{2}^{\prime}(0)=0,  \tag{21}\\
\delta_{2}^{\prime}(t)>0, & t \in\left(t_{2}, \pi / 2\right), \\
\delta_{2}(\pi / 2)=0 .
\end{array}
$$

From Eq. (21), one has that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta_{2}(t) \leq 0, \quad t \in\left[0, t_{2}\right] \cup\left[t_{2}, \pi / 2\right)=[0, \pi / 2) \tag{22}
\end{equation*}
$$

Note that $\delta_{2}(t)=\delta_{2}(-t)$, combining Eq. (19) with Eq. (22), one has that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta_{2}(t) \leq 0, \quad t \in(-\pi / 2, \pi / 2), \quad \text { and } \quad \kappa_{1}(\arctan x)^{2} \leq F(x), \quad x \in(-\infty, \infty) . \tag{23}
\end{equation*}
$$

Note that

$$
\lim _{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{F(x)}{(\arctan x)^{2}}=\kappa_{1}, \quad \lim _{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{F(x)}{(\arctan x)^{2}}=\kappa_{2}
$$

both $\kappa_{1}$ and $\kappa_{2}$ are the best constants. And the proof is completed.

### 2.3 Proof of Theorem 8

Let $f_{2}(t)=\frac{23}{75,600}(\tan t)^{8}$ and $f_{3}(t)=\frac{23}{75,600}(\tan t)^{8}-\frac{899}{1,134,000}(\tan t)^{10}$. Equation (12) in Theorem 8 is equivalent to

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta_{3}(t)=\delta_{1}(t)-f_{2}(t) \leq 0, \quad \delta_{4}(t)=\delta_{1}(t)-f_{3}(t) \geq 0, \quad t \in(-\pi / 2, \pi / 2) \tag{24}
\end{equation*}
$$

It can be verified that

$$
\begin{align*}
& f_{2}^{\prime \prime \prime}(t)=\frac{23 \sin (t)^{5}\left(2 \cos (t)^{4}-26 \cos (t)^{2}+45\right)}{4725(\cos t)^{11}} \\
& f_{3}^{\prime \prime \prime}(t)=\frac{\sin (t)^{5}\left(1175 \cos (t)^{6}-18871 \cos (t)^{4}+50,261 \cos (t)^{2}-29,667\right)}{28,350(\cos t)^{13}} . \tag{25}
\end{align*}
$$

Let $\phi_{1}(t)=907,200 \cos (t)^{12}+12,700,800 \cos (t)^{11}+97,807,500 \cos (t)^{10}+97,795,724 \cos (t)^{9}+$ $97,642,636 \cos (t)^{8}+96,990,540 \cos (t)^{7}+96,802,860 \cos (t)^{6}+103,838,238 \cos (t)^{5}+$ $126,378,882 \cos (t)^{4}+148,760,458 \cos (t)^{3}+130,005,062 \cos (t)^{2}+67,501,665 \cos (t)+$ $15,153,435$ and $\phi_{2}(t)=5,443,200 \cos (t)^{13}+81,648,000 \cos (t)^{12}+668,493,000 \cos (t)^{11}+$ $1,255,037,200 \cos (t)^{10}+1,837,671,000 \cos (t)^{9}+2,404,568,576 \cos (t)^{8}+$ $2,978,639,640 \cos (t)^{7}+3,789,264,297 \cos (t)^{6}+5,266,619,820 \cos (t)^{5}+$ $7,153,847,855 \cos (t)^{4}+7,714,708,320 \cos (t)^{3}+5,610,730,675 \cos (t)^{2}+2,369,206,620 \cos (t)+$ $434,354,547$. Combining Eq. (24) with Eq. (25), one has that

$$
\begin{align*}
& \delta_{3}^{\prime \prime \prime}(t)=\frac{\sin (t)(\cos (t)-1)^{3}}{(4 \cos (t)+11)^{4}(\cos t)^{11}} \phi_{1}(t)<0, \quad \forall t \in(0, \pi / 2), \\
& \delta_{4}^{\prime \prime \prime}(t)=\frac{\sin (t)(\cos (t)-1)^{4}}{28,350(4 \cos (t)+11)^{4}(\cos t)^{13}} \phi_{2}(t)>0, \quad \forall t \in(0, \pi / 2),  \tag{26}\\
& \delta_{3}^{\prime \prime}(0)=0, \quad \delta_{4}^{\prime \prime}(0)=0 .
\end{align*}
$$

From Eq. (25), one has that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta_{3}^{\prime \prime}(t)<0, \quad \delta_{4}^{\prime \prime}(t)>0, \quad \forall t \in(0, \pi / 2), \quad \delta_{3}^{\prime}(0)=0, \quad \delta_{4}^{\prime}(0)=0 \tag{27}
\end{equation*}
$$

From Eq. (27), one obtains that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta_{3}^{\prime}(t)<0, \quad \delta_{4}^{\prime}(t)>0, \quad \forall t \in(0, \pi / 2), \quad \delta_{3}(0)=0, \quad \delta_{4}(0)=0 \tag{28}
\end{equation*}
$$

which leads to

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta_{3}(t) \leq 0, \quad \delta_{4}(t) \geq 0, \quad \forall t \in[0, \pi / 2) \tag{29}
\end{equation*}
$$

Note that $\delta_{i}(t)=\delta_{i}(-t), i=3,4$, combining with Eq. (29), both Eq. (24) and Theorem 8 are proved.

### 2.4 Proof of Theorem 9

Let $\arcsin (x)=s$, then one has that $x=\sin (s)$, where $x \in(-1,1), s \in(-\pi / 2, \pi / 2)$. It can be verified that

$$
\begin{align*}
& (\operatorname{arctanh} x)=\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1+\sin (s)}{1-\sin (s)}\right)>0 \\
& \left(\frac{-\ln \left(1-x^{2}\right)}{\arcsin x}\right)=\frac{-\ln \left(1-(\sin s)^{2}\right)}{s}>0, \quad s \in(0, \pi / 2) . \tag{30}
\end{align*}
$$

Let

$$
\begin{align*}
& (\operatorname{arctanh} x)-\left(\frac{-\ln \left(1-x^{2}\right)}{\arcsin x}\right)=\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1+\sin (s)}{1-\sin (s)}\right)-\frac{-\ln \left(1-(\sin s)^{2}\right)}{s}=\delta_{5}(s),  \tag{31}\\
& \delta_{6}(s)=\delta_{5}^{\prime}(s) \cdot s^{2}, \quad \phi_{3}(s)=-2+\sin (s) s+2 \cos (s) .
\end{align*}
$$

It can be verified that

$$
\phi_{3}^{\prime \prime}(s)=-\sin (s) s<0, \quad s \in(0, \pi / 2), \quad \phi_{3}^{\prime}(0)=\phi_{3}(0)=0,
$$

which leads to

$$
\begin{equation*}
\phi_{3}(s) \leq 0, \quad \delta_{6}^{\prime}(s)=\frac{s}{(\cos s)^{2}} \phi_{3}(s) \leq 0, \quad \delta_{6}(0)=0, \quad s \in[0, \pi / 2) \tag{32}
\end{equation*}
$$

Combining Eq. (31) with Eq. (32), one obtains that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta_{6}(s) \leq 0, \quad \delta_{5}^{\prime}(s) \leq 0, \quad \delta_{5}(0)=0, \quad s \in[0, \pi / 2) \tag{33}
\end{equation*}
$$

Combining Eq. (31) with Eq. (33), we have that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta_{5}(s) \leq 0, \quad s \in[0, \pi / 2), \quad 0 \leq(\operatorname{arctanh} x)^{2} \leq\left(\frac{-\ln \left(1-x^{2}\right)}{\arcsin x}\right)^{2}, \quad x \in[0,1) \tag{34}
\end{equation*}
$$

Note that $G_{i}(-x)=G_{i}(x), i=1,2$, combining with Eq. (34), we have proved both Eq. (13) and Theorem 9.

### 2.5 Proof of Theorem 10

Directly from Theorem 9, we have proved the left-hand side in Eq. (14) in Theorem 10.

$$
\kappa_{3}(\operatorname{arctanh} x)^{2} \leq\left(\frac{-\ln \left(1-x^{2}\right)}{\arcsin x}\right)^{2}
$$

Now, we will prove the right-hand side of Eq. (14). Combining with Eq. (30), let

$$
\begin{align*}
& \frac{4}{\pi}(\operatorname{arctanh} x)-\left(\frac{-\ln \left(1-x^{2}\right)}{\arcsin x}\right)=\frac{4}{2 \pi} \ln \left(\frac{1+\sin (s)}{1-\sin (s)}\right)-\frac{-\ln \left(1-(\sin s)^{2}\right)}{s} \triangleq \delta_{7}(s),  \tag{35}\\
& \delta_{8}(s)=\delta_{7}^{\prime}(s) \cdot s^{2}, \quad \phi_{4}(s)=\frac{2(2 \sin (s) s+4 \cos (s)-\pi)}{\pi}
\end{align*}
$$

It can be verified that

$$
\phi_{4}^{\prime \prime}(s)=\frac{-4 \sin (s) s}{\pi}<0, \quad s \in(0, \pi / 2), \quad \phi_{4}^{\prime}(0)=\phi_{4}(\pi / 2)=0
$$

which leads to

$$
\begin{equation*}
\phi_{4}(s) \geq 0, \quad \delta_{8}^{\prime}(s)=\frac{s}{(\cos s)^{2}} \phi_{4}(s) \geq 0, \quad \delta_{8}(0)=0, \quad s \in[0, \pi / 2) . \tag{36}
\end{equation*}
$$

Combining Eq. (35) with Eq. (36), one obtains that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\delta_{8}(s) \geq 0, \quad \delta_{7}^{\prime}(s) \geq 0, \quad \delta_{7}(0)=0, \quad s \in[0, \pi / 2) . \tag{37}
\end{equation*}
$$

Combining Eq. (35) with Eq. (37), we have that

$$
\begin{align*}
& \delta_{7}(s) \geq 0, \quad s \in[0, \pi / 2) \\
& 0 \leq\left(\frac{-\ln \left(1-x^{2}\right)}{\arcsin x}\right)^{2} \leq\left(\frac{4}{\pi} \operatorname{arctanh} x\right)^{2}, \quad x \in[0,1) \tag{38}
\end{align*}
$$

Note that $G_{i}(-x)=G_{i}(x), i=1,2$, combining with Eq. (38), one obtains that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left(\frac{-\ln \left(1-x^{2}\right)}{\arcsin x}\right)^{2} \leq \kappa_{2}(\operatorname{arctanh} x)^{2}, \quad x \in(-1,1) \tag{39}
\end{equation*}
$$

Combining Theorem 9 with Eq. (39), we have completed the proofs of both Eq. (14) and Theorem 10.

## 3 Discussions and conclusions

The values of $\mu$ in Theorem 2 and $\beta_{1}$ in Theorem 5 tend to be $+\infty$ for $r$ tends to be $\pm \infty$ and $\pm 1$, respectively, while the values of $\kappa_{i}$ in Theorems 7 and 10 are constant. The error plots of the bounds from Eq. (2) and Eq. (6) in [15], from Eq. (8) and Eq. (9) in [14], and from Eq. (6) and Eq. (13) are plotted in Fig. 1. It shows that the results of Eq. (11) and


Figure 1 Error plots of bounds from (a) Eq. (2), (8), and (11); and (b) Eq. (6), (9), and (13)

Eq. (13) in this paper achieve better approximation effect than those of Eq. (2), Eq. (6), Eq. (8), and Eq. (9).

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